

Table 5-2
Wholesale merchants — Inventories/sales ratio, seasonally adjusted, by NAICS — Historical

	Inventories/sales ratio			
	October 2011	September 2011	August 2011	July 2011
	percent			
NAICS - Canada				
Wholesale trade[41]	1.18	1.19	1.19	1.18
Farm product wholesaler-distributors[411]	0.30	0.29	0.32	0.33
Food, beverage and tobacco wholesaler-distributors[413]	0.57	0.56	0.57	0.57
Food[4131]	0.58	0.57	0.58	0.58
Beverage[4132]	0.61	0.60	0.59	0.60
Cigarette and tobacco product[4133]	0.44	0.43	0.43	0.44
Personal and household goods wholesaler-distributors[414]	1.40	1.41	1.40	1.40
Textile, clothing and footwear[4141]	2.07	2.03	2.04	2.05
Home entertainment equipment and household appliance[4142]	0.93	1.01	1.04	1.05
Home furnishings[4143]	2.15	2.27	2.34	2.26
Personal goods[4144]	1.91	1.80	1.81	1.66
Pharmaceuticals and pharmacy supplies[41451]	1.21	1.21	1.18	1.19
Toiletries, cosmetics and sundries[41452]	1.01	1.07	1.01	1.09
Motor vehicle and parts wholesaler-distributors[415]	0.96	0.94	0.93	0.90
Motor vehicle[4151]	0.69	0.66	0.64	0.62
New motor vehicle parts and accessories[4152]	1.73	1.79	1.79	1.74
Used motor vehicle parts and accessories[4153]	2.06	1.92	1.83	1.86
Building material and supplies wholesaler-distributors[416]	1.62	1.66	1.67	1.66
Electrical, plumbing, heating and air-conditioning equipment and supplies[4161]	1.44	1.50	1.47	1.46
Metal service centres[4162]	2.10	2.14	2.24	2.24
Lumber, millwork, hardware and other building supplies[4163]	1.52	1.54	1.56	1.54
Machinery, equipment and supplies wholesaler-distributors[417]	1.61	1.61	1.58	1.59
Farm, lawn and garden machinery and equipment[4171]	2.79	2.74	2.33	2.71
Construction, forestry, mining, and industrial machinery, equipment and supplies[4172]	2.25	2.24	2.29	2.28
Computer and communications equipment and supplies[4173]	0.51	0.52	0.53	0.52
Other machinery, equipment and supplies[4179]	1.36	1.38	1.38	1.36
Miscellaneous wholesaler-distributors[418]	1.08	1.09	1.12	1.09
Recyclable material[4181]	0.68	0.72	0.68	0.61
Paper, paper product and disposable plastic product[4182]	0.82	0.81	0.80	0.76
Agricultural supplies[4183]	1.48	1.53	1.78	1.49
Chemical (except agricultural) and allied product[4184]	0.77	0.77	0.80	0.85
Other miscellaneous[4189]	1.20	1.19	1.15	1.24

Note(s): NAICS: North American Industry Classification System Canada