



2009 ANNUAL RETAIL TRADE REPORT

DUE DATE

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Call 1-800-772-7851, option "2"
(8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST, M-F)

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Return via Internet:

www.census.gov/econhelp/arts

Username:

Password:

Use your firm's unique username and original password. If you change your password, please keep a record for future reference.

Return via Fax:

1-800-447-4613

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Always provide book figures. If they are not available, carefully prepared estimates, labeled "Est." are acceptable.
- Any significant change in your firm's operations should be noted in the "REMARKS" section of this report.
- To view the results of this survey, visit **www.census.gov/retail**.

INCLUDE

- All domestic/U.S. retail establishments reporting payroll on its latest Employer's Federal Tax Return (Treasury Form 941 or 944), **under the Employer Identification Number (EIN)** shown in Item 1A
- Data for auxiliary facilities operated under this EIN primarily engaged in furnishing supporting services to your retail establishment(s) (such as warehouses, garages, central administrative offices, and repair services)
- Retail leased departments and concessions operated by this firm in establishments of others (e.g., shoe departments in department stores or prescription counters in food stores) which report payroll under this firm's current EIN shown in Item 1A
- Data for establishment(s) sold or acquired during 2009 for the period they were operated by your firm

EXCLUDE

- Data for retail establishments operated by other firms, such as franchises
- Departments and concessions operated by other firms in your retail store(s)

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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1A FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

1. Does your firm currently report payroll under the EIN

Yes

No → a. Enter your present EIN

EIN (9 digits)

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b. When did you start reporting payroll under this EIN?

Month	Year

2. Did your firm experience any organizational change during 2009?

Yes

No - Go to **1B**

3. Which one of the following best describes your firm's organizational change?

Sold to

Merged with

Acquired

Date of sale/merger or acquisition →
AND enter name and address of company sold to/merged with/acquired ↘

2009	
Month	Year

Name of company sold to/merged with/acquired	EIN (9 digits)	
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Address (Number and street, P.O. Box, etc.)		
City	State	ZIP Code
	-	-

1B NUMBER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS

How many retail establishments, including departments and concessions, were covered by this report as of December 31, 2009?

Mark "X" if None

Number as of December 31, 2009

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2A SALES

INCLUDE

- Credit and cash sales of merchandise
- E-commerce sales if not submitted on a separate Annual Retail Trade Report
- Excise taxes (such as those on gasoline, liquor, and tobacco) which are included in the cost of goods purchased by this firm
- Wholesale sales made by retail establishment(s) covered by this report
- Receipts from the rental or leasing of vehicles, equipment, instruments, tools, etc.
- Receipts from deliveries
- Receipts from installations, maintenance contracts, repairs, alterations, storage, and other such services
- Value of trade-ins taken as partial payment for other merchandise
- Value of manufacturers' rebates
- Leased departments and concessions operated in other establishments

If AUTOMOTIVE also include:

- Charges for dealer preparation, warranty charges, and delivery cost
- Combined sales for a new and used car location, and service and parts facilities
- Fleet sales

EXCLUDE

- Sales from auxiliary establishments
- Carrying or other finance charges
- Commissions (such as vending machine operators, government lottery tickets, or other stores)
- Non-operating receipts (such as interest income, income from investments, and receipts from the rental or sale of real estate)
- Sales made by departments and concessions operated by other firms in your firm's retail establishment(s)

If AUTOMOTIVE also exclude:

- Receipts from customers for tag and title fees, licenses, etc. forwarded to State or local licensing agencies

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- Refunds and allowances for returned goods
- Actual value of rebates and discounts granted to the purchaser, even if granted as an increase in trade-in allowances

1. What were the total sales of merchandise and other operating receipts for 2009?
(INCLUDE e-commerce sales and excise taxes on gasoline, liquor, and tobacco. EXCLUDE all sales taxes.)

2. Did your firm collect any sales taxes during 2009?
 Yes - What were the total sales taxes collected?
 (Exclude excise taxes reported in line 1.)
 No - Go to **2B**

3. What were the total sales of merchandise and other operating receipts including sales taxes for 2009? (Sum of lines 1 and 2.)

Mark "X" if None

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2B SALES REPORT PERIOD

Do the reported data in **2A** represent the calendar year (January 1 through December 31) for 2009?

- Yes - Go to **2C**
- No - What were your beginning and ending dates for 2009?

2009		
Beginning Date		
Month	Day	Year
2009		
Ending Date		
Month	Day	Year

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2 C E-COMMERCE SALES

NOTE: If AUTOMOTIVE also INCLUDE sales of cars where a binding sales price is established online through the dealer's or a third party's web site. EXCLUDE leads.

1. Did your firm have any e-commerce sales during 2009?

E-commerce sales and other operating receipts are sales of goods and services where an order is placed by the buyer; or price and terms of the sale are negotiated over an Internet, extranet, EDI network, electronic mail, or other online system. Payment may or may not be made online.

- Yes
- No - Go to **3**

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2. What were the total e-commerce sales? (EXCLUDE sales taxes.)

3 VALUE OF INVENTORIES

Report the total value of all inventories for the retail establishment(s) reported in item 1B on December 31, 2009. If any part of inventory is valued using the Last-in, First-out (LIFO) method, report the amount before adjustment. If data are not available for December 31, specify the date that the data represent in Item 3C, line 6.

A. Did the establishments covered by this report own inventories (regardless of where held) at the end of 2009?

- Yes
- No - Go to **5**

B. Were any of the inventories subject to the Last-in, First-out (LIFO) valuation method?

- Yes
- No - Complete lines C1 through C3, C6 and then go to **4 A**

C. Report merchandise inventories covered by this report, regardless of where held, owned as of December 31:

Mark "X" if None

- 1. Merchandise inventories in retail stores (Include leased departments and concessions operated by your firm in other establishments.) . . .
- 2. Merchandise inventories in warehouses, offices, or in transit for distribution to retail stores
- 3. Total of inventories before LIFO adjustment (if any) (Sum of lines C1 and C2.)
- 4. LIFO reserve (if any)
- 5. Total inventories after LIFO adjustment (Line C3 minus line C4.) . . .

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6. Are the reported data in lines C1 through C5 as of December 31?

- Yes
- No - When was inventory taken?

2009		
Month	Day	Year

4 A INVENTORY VALUATION METHOD

Report how much of the inventory in **3**, line C3, was subject to:

Mark "X" if None

- 1. LIFO valuation method before adjustment
 - 2. Any other valuation method
 - 3. **TOTAL** (Sum of lines 1 and 2.)
- Total should equal amount reported in **3**, line C3.

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4B INVENTORY OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

1. Were any of the inventories from **3**, line C3, stored or en route outside the U.S. 50 states and the District of Columbia?

Yes

No - Go to **5**

2. **TOTAL** value of these inventories (in dollars)
 (EXCLUDE inventory held in Foreign Trade Zones or in-bond warehouses in the U.S.)

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5 TOTAL PURCHASES

INCLUDE

- Cash and credit purchases by your firm
- Merchandise owned, but in transit to your firm
- Purchases made by both your warehouse(s) and establishment(s)
- Freight, delivery, and other transportation costs
- Import duties (if paid separately)
- Costs of services resold without any processing
- Parts and supplies used in repair work or other services

If AUTOMOTIVE also include:

- Value of automotive and other trade-ins exclusive of rebates and discounts granted as an increase in trade-in allowance

EXCLUDE

- Expenditures for supplies, equipment, and parts purchased for your firm's own use
- Purchases made by other firms operating departments and concessions in your establishment(s)
- Purchases of merchandise held outside the U.S.
- Purchases of containers, wrappings, packaging, and selling supplies for your firm's own use

What is the total cost of all merchandise bought for resale to customers at your retail establishment(s) (net of returns, allowances, and trade and cash discounts) for the period reported in **2B**, for which you took title during 2009 whether or not payment was made during the year?

Mark "X" if None

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NOTE: If purchases are greater than sales, explain in "REMARKS" on the final page of this report.

6-8 Not Applicable.

9 TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES, INCLUDING PAYROLL

INCLUDE

- Expenses arising from the normal course of business
- Payroll

EXCLUDE

- Bad debt
- Purchases of goods for resale or cost of goods sold
- Income taxes
- Sales and other taxes collected directly from customers and paid directly to a local, State, or Federal government agency
- Interest expenses
- Impairment (reduction in value of long-lived assets due to reappraisal)
- Capitalized expenses (except payroll and fringe benefits)

What were the total operating expenses, including payroll, during 2009 for establishments reported in **1B**?

Mark "X" if None

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REMARKS - Please use this space to explain any significant year-to-year changes, to clarify your responses, or to indicate where data were estimated.

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Name of person to contact regarding this report (*Please print*)

Address - Number and street		City	State	ZIP Code	
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Telephone	Area code	Number		Extension	Fax	Area code	Number	

Internet address (firm's homepage)	E-mail address
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Signature of authorized person	Title	Date completed
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