
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE bureau of the census

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## 1992 CENSUS OF RETAIL TRADE FLORISTS

DUE DATE: FEBRUARY 15, 1993
If you have questions about completing this report, please call or write the Census Bureau. In any communication File Number (CFN) printed in thensus File Number (CFN) printed in the label to the right. Please return your completed report to:

> BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
> 1201 East 10th Street
> J effersonville, IN $47134-0001$

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1-800-233-6136
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Item 2. PHYSICAL LOCATION
a. Is this establishment's physical location the same as the address shown in the label? (P.O. box and rural route addresses are not physical locations)
$093 \quad 1 \square$No - Report physical location below

| Number and street |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| City, town, village, etc. | State | ZIP Code |

b. Is this establishment physically located inside the legal boundaries of the city, town, village, etc.?

| $095 \quad$ | $1 \square$ Yes |
| ---: | :--- |
|  | $2 \square$ No |
|  | $3 \square$ No legal boundaries |
|  | $4 \square$ Do not know |

c. In what type of municipality is this establishment physically located?
$\qquad$ City, village, or boroughTown or townshipOther - Specify
$4 \square$ Do not know
d. In what county is this establishment physically located?

Item 6. EMPLOYMENT Number of paid employees for pay period ncluding March 12, 1992 (Include both full- and part-time employees)

## PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO REPORT

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Item 7. KIND OF BUSINESS
What was this establishment's PRINCIPAL kind of business in 1992? Mark (X) only ONE box.
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| Florist . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\square 599201$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Retail nursery . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\square 526101$ |
| Garden supply store . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\square 526103$ |
| Indoor plant store . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\square 599202$ |

Landscaping service
$\square 9078100$
Other kind of business - Describe
$\square 777777$

Item 8. METHOD OF SELLING
What was this establishment's PRINCIPAL method of selling in 1992? Mark (X) only ONE box.

| 235 |  | Direct selling (include selling from house-to- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Selling at this establishment. | ${ }_{1} \square$ |  |  |
| Mail order (include catalog selling and home |  |  | $4 \square$ |
| shopping via television or computer) . . . | $2 \square$ | Operating merchandise vending machines | $5 \square$ |
| Telemarketing. . | $3 \square$ |  |  |

Item 9. CLASS OF CUSTOMER
Report the percentage of this establishment's total sales in 1992 (item 4) to each class of customer.
a. General public (household consumers and individuals)
b. Other, including retailers; wholesalers; institutional, industrial, commercial, professional, and farm users (for use in farm production); and government

| Item 10. MERCHANDISE LINES |
| :--- |
| Report sales for each merchand |

Report sales for each merchandise line sold by this
establishment, either as a dollar figure or as a whole
percent of total sales. (See HOW TO REPORT DOLLAR
percent of total sales. (See HOW TO REPORT DOLLAR
FIGURES on page 1 and HOW TO REPORT PERCENTS below)


| Merchandise lines | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cen- } \\ & \text { sus } \\ & \text { use } \end{aligned}$ | ESTIMATES are acceptable. Report dollars OR percents. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Mil. | Thou. ${ }^{1}$ | Dol. | Percent |
| 1. Lawn and garden | 230 | 231 | I |  | 232 |
| 1. equipment and supplies, cut |  |  | । |  |  |
| flowers, plants, shrubs, |  |  | I |  |  |
| fertilizers, etc. (Report nonfloral giftware on line 2a |  |  | । |  |  |
| and report materials used in |  |  | I |  |  |
| landscaping or lawn service |  |  | I |  |  |
| on line 14b) |  |  | I |  |  |
| a. Cut flowers - unarranged | 622 |  | । |  |  |
|  |  | \| | I |  |  |
| b. Cut flowers - arranged | 623 | । | । |  |  |
|  |  |  | I |  |  |
| c. blooming | 624 |  | । |  |  |
| d. Indoor potted plants - |  | \| | \| |  |  |
| nonblooming | 625 |  | I |  |  |
|  |  |  | - |  |  |
| e. Outdoor nursery stock |  |  | I |  |  |
| (trees, shrubs, bedding |  |  | I |  |  |
| plants, bulbs, sod, seeds, |  |  | I |  |  |
| etc.) | 627 | I | । |  |  |
|  |  |  | - |  |  |
| f. All other lawn and garden |  |  | I |  |  |
| equipment and supplies |  |  | । |  |  |
| (include lawn and garden |  |  | I |  |  |
| tools and equipment, |  |  | I |  |  |
| chemicals, etc.) | 633 |  | । |  |  |
|  |  | \| | I |  |  |
| g. Sum of lines la through if | 620 |  | I |  |  |


| Merchandise lines | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Cen- } \\ \text { sus } \\ \text { use } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | ESTIMATES are acceptable. Report dollars OR percents. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Thou. | Dol. | Percent |
| 2. Kitchenware and homefurnishings (include cookware, dinnerware, clocks, pictures, frames, mirrors, bathroom accessories, etc.) <br> a. Giftware and glassware (Include vases. Report candy and confections on line 11a.) | 386 |  |  |  |  |
| b. All other kitchenware and homefurnishings (include cookware and cooking accessories, dinnerware, decorative accessories, etc.) | 387 |  | 1 1 1 1 1 |  |  |
| c. Sum of lines 2a and 2b | 380 |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Souvenirs and novelty items (include fruit and gourmet food baskets and pre-filled balloons) | 877 |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Seasonal decorations (Report cut live and balled live Christmas trees on line 1e) | 878 |  | । |  |  |
| 5. Artificial flowers, plants, and trees | 879 |  | । |  |  |
| 6. Greeting cards | 855 |  | । |  |  |
| 7. Furniture (include outdoor/patio furniture) | 340 |  | । |  |  |
| 8. J ewelry (include watches, watch attachments, novelty jewelry, etc.) | 400 |  | 1 |  |  |
| ITEM 10 CONTINUED ON PAGE 3 |  |  |  |  |  |

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REMARKS - Please use this space for any explanations that may be essential in understanding your reported data.

Item 15. CERTIFICATION - This report is substantially accurate and has been prepared in accordance with instructions.


## 1992 CENSUS OF RETAIL TRADE INSTRUCTIONS

## CENSUS OF RETAIL TRADE

The Census of Retail Trade includes establishments engaged in the following:

- selling merchandise for personal or household consumption and
- rendering services incidental to the sale of the goods.

If you are NOT engaged in this kind of business, DESCRIBE your business or activity IN ITEM 7 AND COMPLETE the report as accurately as possible.

## DEFINITION OF ESTABLISHMENT

An establishment is a single physical location at which business is conducted. This includes all selling and service locations of a company and any other facilities such as warehouses, administrative offices, etc. This report should include data for all establishments (locations) operated by this company during 1992. Locations with no paid employees (such as unmanned warehouses) are not considered separate establishments

## COMPANIES WITH MORE THAN ONE ESTABLISHMENT

If this company operated more than one establishmen (location) under the same Employer Identification (EI) Number shown in the label (or as corrected in item 1) at the end of 1992:

- Item 2 - Enter the location of your headquarters.
- Items 3 through 14c - Report the combined data for the entire company
- Item 14d - Provide information separately for each establishment, including headquarters. List the location of your headquarters first.


## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- This report should cover calendar year 1992. If book figures are not available, estimates are acceptable.
- If the establishment stopped operating before January 1 1992, indicate action and date in item 3b and return the form
- If the establishment stopped operating during 1992, i.e., it was closed, sold, or leased to another company, complete the report for the portion of 1992 that the establishment was operating
- If you have any questions or if any communication regarding this report is necessary, be sure to reference the 11-digit
Census File Number (CFN) printed on the address label.
- If additional space is necessary to complete any item, use the remarks section at the end of the form (if applicable) or CFN and the item number at the top of each additional page
- Please make a photocopy of your completed form and retain that copy in your files.
- We estimate that it will take from 12 minutes to 2 hours to complete this questionnaire, with 51 minutes being the average time. This includes time to read instructions, assemble and review information, and record answers on the questionnaire. If you have any comments regarding these estimates, send them to the Associate Director for
Management Services, Paperwork Reduction Project Washington, DC 20233; or to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0607-0719), Washington, DC 20503.


## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SELECTED ITEMS

Item 2. PHYSICAL LOCATION

- Answer all sections (a through d) of item 2 , including name of county, even if the address on the label is correct
- Report the location of your headquarters if this company location of all other establishments in item 14 d .


## Item 3. OPERATIONAL STATUS

Part b. Mark the one box that best describes the operationa status of this establishment at the end of 1992

1. In operation - The establishment was open and actively conducting business on December 31, 1992.
2. Temporarily or seasonally inactive - Although not conducting business at the end of 1992, the establishment will eventually reopen and conduct business under the same El. (Examples: Businesses in tourist areas or small college towns that close during the "off-season," when business is slow; stores that temporarily close for remodeling.)
3. Ceased operation -. The establishment has gone out of business or closed and does not plan to reopen. Provide the month and year that the establishment ceased operation. Complete items 4 through 13 for the portion of 1992 during which the establishment was in operation
4. Sold or leased to another operator - Your company sold or leased this establishment to another company. Provide the month and year in which the change occurred and indicate the name and address of the new owner or operator Complete items 4 through 13 for the portion of 1992 during which your company operated the establishment.

## Item 4. DOLLAR VOLUME OF BUSINESS

YOUR RESPONSE in this item IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. Your company's report will be used solely for developing summary statistics. IF CANNOTBE USED FOR PURPOSES OF TAXATION, INVESTIGATION, OR REGULATION.

## Include:

- Cash and credit sales of merchandise sold at retail and wholesale (whether or not payment was received in 1992). If COMMISSION BASIS, REPORT THE ACTUAL SALES VALUE of the products sold and do not report the commissions received.
- Receipts for delivery, installation, maintenance, repair, alteration, storage, and other services.
- Receipts from rental of vehicles, equipment, instruments tools, etc.
- Rental receipts derived during 1992 from the leasing of vehicles, equipment, instruments, tools, etc., marketed under operating leases.
- Fair sales value of merchandise marketed in 1992 under capital, finance, or full payout leases.
- SALES of motor vehicles formerly used for rental or leasing do not treat sales of such vehicles as transfers of assets.
- Total value of service contracts - Include service contracts this establishment made on its own behalf or as the agent for others (e.g., selling service contracts for the manufacturer), sold to others.
- Total value of commissions received for the arrangement of financing and the sale of credit life insurance.
- Amounts received from customers for layaway purchases.
- Excise taxes (such as those on gasoline, liquor, and tobacco) which are paid by the manufacturer or wholesaler and included in the cost of goods purchased by this company.


## Exciude:

- Sales or other taxes collected directly from customers and paid directly to a State, local or Federal tax agency.
- Sales and receipts of departments or concessions operated by other companies.
- Receipts from carrying and other credit charges.
- Commissions from vending machine operators.
- Nonoperating income from sources such as investments, rental or sale of real estate, and interest
- Commissions or receipts from the sale of government lottery tickets.
- Installment payments received during 1992 from the leasing of vehicles, equipment, instruments, tools, etc., marketed under capital, finance, or full payout leases.
- Automotive dealers only - Receipts from customers for tag and title fees, licenses, etc., forwarded to State or local licensing agencies.


## Deduct:

- Refunds and allowances for returned merchandise.
- Discounts you grant to the purchaser, even if granted as an increase in trade-in allowance.
Do not deduct:
- The actual value of trade-ins taken as partial payment for other merchandise.


## Item 5. PAYROLL

Answer this item according to the guidelines outlined below. (Definitions are the same as those used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, Form 941, and as described in Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide.)

## Include:

- Wages, salaries, tips, vacation allowances, bonuses commissions, and other compensation paid to employees during 1992, whether or not subject to income or FICA tax.
- Salaries of officers and executives of a corporation.

Exclude:

- Payments to or withdrawals by proprietors or partners of an unincorporated company
- Annuities or supplemental unemployment compensation benefits, even if income tax was withheld
- Payrolls of departments or concessions operated by other companies.


## Item 6. EMPLOYMENT

Include:

- All full-time ( 35 hours or more a week) and part-time (less than 35 hours a week) employees on the payroll during the pay period including March 12, 1992.
- Salaried officers and executives of a corporation.
- Employees on paid sick leave, paid vacations, and paid holidays.


## Exclude:

- Proprietors or partners of an unincorporated company.
- Employees of departments or concessions operated by other companies.


## Item 8. METHOD OF SELLING

Mark (X) the one box which best describes the principal method of selling by this establishment

- Selling at this establishment - Products are primarily sold in a traditional store environment.
- Mail order (catalog selling) - Products are primarily sold through catalogs and advertisements. The seller entices the This includes home shopping by either television or computer.
- Telemarketing - The seller markets goods or services by telephone.
- Direct selling - The seller seeks out the buyer. This includes selling from house-to-house and selling from nonfixed or temporary locations such as mobile carts or fairs. Excluded are fuel dealers, lumber yards, florists, liquor stores, etc. Who may take most of their orders over the telephone and deliver
by truck to individual homes.
- Operating merchandise vending machines - Retail sales come from the operation of vending machines, selling items such as candy, sandwiches, beverages, tobacco products, pens, combs, etc.


## Item 9. CLASS OF CUSTOMER

- Estimates are acceptable; report in whole percents.
- The sum of the percentages reported in item 9 should equal 100 percent.


## Item 10. MERCHANDISE LINES

- REPORT the volume of sales (or percent of total sales) for each of the listed merchandise lines. Please do not combine data for two or more lines. Estimates are acceptable.
- REPORT receipts for services provided and for service contracts that were included (as instructed) in item 4, on the appropriate "Nonmerchandise receipts from customers" line.
- EXCLUDE sales of LEASED DEPARTMENTS or CONCESSIONS operated within this establishment by OTHER companies.
- If this establishment sold merchandise not covered in the prelisted categories and the sum of this merchandise was greater than one million dollars or 5 percent of the merchandise on the "All other merchandise". line and specify principal merchandise lines with their estimated sales or percent of sales.
- The sum of merchandise lines reported should equal the amount reported in item 4 (or 100 percent if the lines were reported as percentages of the total sales). This sum should be entered in the last response box in item 10.


## Item 12. DEPARTMENT OR CONCESSION LOCATED IN THIS ESTABLISHMENT

This item is applicable for Forms CB-5301 and CB-5601 only; a supplemental instruction guide has been included to explain how to respond to item $12 b(3)$, the self-coding of leased department business activity.

Item 14. OWNERSHIP, CONTROL, AND LOCATIONS OF OPERATION

Part b. MARK "YES" if - ANOTHER company OWNS more than 50 percent of the voting stock or has the power to CONTROL the management and policies of your company. Report the requested information for the owning or controlling company in the space provided.

## MARK "'NO" if -

- Your company has a franchise entitling it to use a trade name, but is not owned or operated by the franchisor.
- Your company operates one or more leased departments in an establishment owned by another company, but the other company (the lessor) does not own or control the department(s).
- Gasoline service stations only - Your company rents, leases, or operates on a commission basis, a gasoline service station owned by an oil company.

Part c. Indicate whether your company owns more than 50 percent of the voting stock or has the authority to direct or cause the direction of management and policies of any subsidiaries and/or affiliates. If yes, report the requested information for the owned or controlled company in the space provided.

Part d. Include all selling and service locations and any other facilities such as warehouses, administrative offices, etc. Establishments with no paid employees (such as unmanned warehouses) are not considered separate establishments.

If MORE THAN ONE establishment was operating under the El Number:

- List the location of the headquarters first
- Provide the name, physical location address, ZIP Code, kind-of-business description, sales, annual payroll, and employment for headquarters and each location. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.
- Data for establishments operated during 1992 but not in operation at the end of the year should be combined with the headquarters location
- The sums of sales, annual payroll, and employment should equal the amounts reported in items 4, 5a, and 6, respectively.
- If the employees worked at more than one location, report annual payroll and employment for employee at the ONE location where they spent most of their working time.

