Estimated Measures of Sampling Variability for End-of-Year Accounts Receivable of U.S. Retail Firms¹ by Kind of Business: 2007

[Estimates are shown as percents and are based on data from the 2007 Annual Retail Trade Survey]

	Kind of business	Coefficients of variation for		
NAICS Code		Total accounts receivable	Open-end	Closed-end
	Retail accounts receivable, total	1.7	3.2	2.7
	Total (excl. Motor vehicle and parts dealers)	1.7	2.9	3.0
441	Motor vehicle and parts dealers	4.7	8.5	8.6
442	Furniture and home furnishing stores	4.9	6.9	7.7
443	Electronics and appliance stores		10.2	11.3
444	Building mat. and garden equip. and supplies dealers	4.6	6.5	5.5
445	Food and beverage stores	6.9	9.3	8.4
446	Health and personal care stores		13.6	S
447	Gasoline stations	7.2	9.1	17.7
448	Clothing access. stores		2.7	29.7
451	Sporting goods, hobby, book, and music stores		7.9	S
452	General merchandise stores		S	S
4521	Department stores	D	D	0.0
453	Miscellaneous store retailers		9.7	22.6
454	Nonstore retailers		3.0	2.9

¹Estimates include data only for businesses with paid employees.

Note: Estimates exclude food services. Information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, sample design, and definitions can be found on the Internet at <www.census.gov/mrts/www/nrely.html>.

D Estimate in table is withheld to avoid disclosing data of individual companies; data are included in higher level totals.

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