members which distribute furniture, with their area of operation (2), the number of stores they have, the total area of sales measured in square meters, and sales of the largest groups that participate in the Mexican Stock Exchange:

| CHAIN | AREA | STORES | SQUARE M | SALES |
|----------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| DEPARTMENT STORES | | | | |
| Palacio de Hierro | Mexico | 4 1 10 | 63,500 | \$215 MM |
| Puerto de Liverpool | National | 8 | 136,000 | \$421 MM |
| Sears adminions do M | National | 37 | 134,000 | The priv |
| Almacenes García | National | 18 | 21,320 | |
| Almacenes Zaragoza | Northwest | 7 | 15,700 | |
| Casa Rodoreda | Center | 3 | 10,337 | |
| Central Detallista | Northwest | 12 | 29,000 | |
| José Ramírez | Gulf | 12 | 7,900 | |
| Puerto de Guaymas | Northwest | 10 | 31,150 | |
| Grupo Acevedo | Gulf | 311d 8 55 5 | 16,100 | |
| Grupo del Sureste | Southeast | 7 | 12,200 | |
| Importaciones Comer | .Caribbean | 5 | 8,300 | |
| Ciudad de París | North | 4 | 12,000 | |
| Sanborn's | National | 54 | 55,042 | |
| Super del Bajío | Center | . 5 | 7,950 | |
| Woolworth | National | 46 | 69,947 | |
| CHAIN | AREA | STORES | SQUARE M | SALES |
| CHAIN STORES | | | | |
| Salinas y Rocha | National | 87 | 108,171 | |
| Singer | National | 117 | 23,424 | Chambers |
| Super Hogar | Mexico | 12 | 10,250 | |
| | | | INDIA TO DOS | |

4. END USER SECTORS

Mexico's population is approximately 86 million, of which 70% are under 30 years of age. With an estimated annual growth rate of 2% (during the last three decades, population growth averaged 3.2%), total population in Mexico will reach 100 million by the year 2000. 52% of Mexico's total population is an urban population, living in towns with over 15,000 inhabitants. Mexico City alone has 16 million inhabitants, followed by Guadalajara (4 million), Monterrey (3 million) and Puebla (2 million). There were 16 million housing units throughout the country, based on the 1980 census. As of 1989, there are an estimated 17.6 million housing units. Of these, 68% are owned by their inhabitants, while the remainder is rented or belongs to someone else. Only 6% of

^{2.} The areas listed include the following states:
North: Nuevo León, Chihuahua, Durango and Coahuila;
Northwest: Baja California, Baja California Sur, Sonora and Sinaloa;
Northeast: Tamaulipas
Center: Jalisco, Nayarit, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí and Michoacán;
Gulf: Veracruz and Tabaso
Caribbean: Yucatán, Quintana Roo