

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND COMMERCE  
DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS - CANADA  
INTERNAL TRADE BRANCH

62D04

(Issued April 10th, 1928)

---

Dominion Statistician: R.H. Coats, B.A., F.S.S., (Hon.) F.R.S.C.  
Chief, Internal Trade Branch: Herbert Marshall, B.A., F.S.S.

---

INVESTORS' AND TRADERS' INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

1926 = 100

"Investors'" and "Traders'" weighted index numbers of security prices, computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base 1926 = 100, were as follows for the week ending April 5th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 175.3 for the week ending April 5th as compared with 173.1 for the previous week, a rise of over 2 points.

The "Traders'" index of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges, was 367.8 for the week ending April 5th as compared with 353.2 for the previous week, a rise of nearly 15 points.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 136.9 for the week ending April 5th as compared with 136.7 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 151.9 for the week ending April 5th as compared with 149.7 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for twenty-one and lower for four of the twenty-five stocks. Brazilian "Old" went up from \$219.5 to \$229.5, Brazilian "New" from \$55.8 to \$58.3, Steel of Canada from \$188.3 to \$213.6, Howard Smith from \$117.2 to \$141.2, International Nickel from \$93.9 to \$95.2, Canadian Industrial Alcohol from \$41.8 to \$43.0 and Massey-Harris from \$42.0 to \$44.9. Shawinigan dropped from \$86.9 to \$85.6.

Sales were greater for fifteen and lower for ten stocks. International Nickel rose from 53,200 to 78,400, Massey-Harris from 24,300 to 93,200, Price Bros. from 300 to 13,700, Steel of Canada from 1,100 to 22,500, Fraser from 3,200 to 20,700, Montreal Power from 3,900 to 11,300, Port Alfred from 700 to 4,700, B.C. Fishing from 4,500 to 23,600 and Charles Gurd from 700 to 2,800. Brazilian "Old" declined from 52,500 to 18,600, Brazilian "New" from 144,300 to 62,000, Brompton from 23,200 to 11,800, Canadian Industrial Alcohol from 28,400 to 12,600, Dominion Bridge from 47,100 to 14,400, Abitibi from 18,200 to 8,100 and Howard Smith from 8,300 to 4,800.

Table of Index Numbers

	Investors' Index Number of Common Stocks 80 Industrial, 23 Public Utility Companies Located: in Canada	Com panies In- Public Utility	Located: Abroad	All	Traders' Index Number of the twenty-five best selling Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks	Index of Total Value of all Stocks Traded
1926	100	100	100	100	100	100
January, 1927	108.9	108.1	101.9	107.0	111.7	101.5
February	114.1	115.0	106.6	112.8	123.0	114.6
March	117.1	117.9	105.4	114.8	132.3	126.3
April	121.1	120.4	107.2	117.8	146.2	149.6
May	124.6	122.3	106.1	119.6	161.0	167.8
June	121.5	120.3	109.7	118.5	177.3	234.2
July	120.6	121.6	111.0	118.9	174.0	116.0
August	130.7	125.6	117.6	125.8	187.8	118.5
September	146.1	127.1	124.6	134.1	211.3	232.6
October	154.5	129.8	125.1	138.5	236.4	285.1
November	158.2	130.3	130.9	141.4	251.7	211.2
December	161.6	135.8	138.0	146.5	281.4	294.0
January, 1928	172.5	136.2	143.3	152.2	317.2	358.4
February	167.6	135.1	140.2	148.0	313.2	271.0
Week ending Feb. 2nd, 1928	175.5	135.1	143.1	152.9	335.6	293.9
" " " 9th "	172.3	134.4	142.3	151.2	332.4	281.5
" " " 16th "	170.7	134.8	141.0	150.4	333.8	205.9
" " " 23rd "	163.3	134.1	136.2	146.1	314.5	275.1
" " March 1st "	162.9	133.6	137.2	146.1	307.3	158.8
" " " 8th "	166.3	134.8	138.5	148.1	321.0	132.9
" " " 15th "	168.2	135.6	140.4	149.5	335.7	252.7
" " " 22nd "	169.8	138.0	143.3	151.7	344.2	209.5
" " " 29th "	173.1	136.7	149.7	153.8	353.2	327.4
" " April 5th "	175.3	136.9	151.9	155.1	367.3	310.0

Purpose of Traders' and Investors' Index Number

The investors' index numbers measure the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

The Traders' index measures the trend of gains or losses for an "average" trader on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges, who buys and sells the leading common stocks in the same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole, and who turns over his investments every week.

INVESTORS' INDEX NUMBERS  
1926=100

Note.—The investors' index measures the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

No. of Securities	INDUSTRIAL									UTILITY				COMPANIES ABROAD			Grand Total
	Total	Iron and steel	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Miscell- aneous	Total	Trans- port- ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Trac- tion	Total	Indus- trial	Utility	
	79	9	9	5	3	9	21	7	16	16	2	2	12	8	1	7	103
1926	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1927																	
Jan.	108.9	108.7	99.1	105.5	111.7	110.5	106.9	95.9	113.5	108.1	105.9	101.0	113.3	101.7	101.2	102.8	107.0
Feb.	114.1	124.2	98.1	115.5	119.7	113.9	111.3	108.6	114.8	115.0	115.3	107.7	116.4	106.6	105.0	108.5	112.8
March	117.1	133.9	98.2	122.2	123.8	116.2	117.8	115.0	115.0	117.9	117.6	107.4	121.4	105.4	98.7	113.4	114.8
April	121.1	146.4	98.6	123.4	122.9	118.9	123.6	116.0	126.1	120.4	115.4	107.8	131.2	107.2	97.2	119.2	117.8
May	124.6	155.8	95.7	123.4	123.2	119.1	125.0	121.2	136.7	122.3	115.4	105.1	137.5	106.1	91.9	123.0	119.6
June	121.5	152.0	94.2	123.1	118.7	115.1	123.0	122.9	132.5	120.3	113.1	107.6	134.7	109.7	91.6	131.3	118.5
July	120.6	154.4	97.4	123.8	120.0	115.9	123.5	124.1	125.8	121.6	117.4	107.7	131.7	111.0	91.6	134.2	118.9
August	130.7	165.0	103.4	126.2	135.0	121.4	129.5	130.3	135.2	125.6	119.4	111.7	138.7	117.6	95.3	144.2	125.8
September	146.1	185.1	112.5	139.6	161.1	131.6	136.9	144.6	143.0	127.1	117.4	108.5	147.0	124.6	100.0	154.1	134.1
October	154.5	187.8	134.7	159.9	168.4	137.1	144.2	147.1	147.7	129.8	124.3	108.5	143.9	125.1	97.8	157.7	138.5
November	158.2	199.1	141.0	171.7	169.6	134.9	149.3	164.8	148.4	130.3	125.1	108.7	144.0	130.9	104.0	163.0	141.4
December	161.6	213.5	135.9	183.7	168.1	136.7	158.0	162.8	159.4	135.8	132.4	112.7	147.0	138.0	110.2	171.3	146.5
January, 1928	172.5	224.1	151.6	187.7	173.8	140.3	170.3	165.5	175.4	136.2	132.1	115.5	147.8	143.3	123.2	168.2	152.2
February, 1928	167.6	213.5	153.4	182.6	165.8	137.0	166.7	158.2	172.5	135.1	128.0	116.7	150.1	140.2	115.0	171.2	148.0
1928																	
Feb. 2nd.	175.5	222.1	160.9	189.5	172.2	141.4	175.4	163.4	183.6	135.1	129.0	115.8	148.2	143.1	121.9	176.1	152.9
Feb. 9th.	172.3	217.2	155.4	188.1	170.1	138.5	169.9	159.4	180.1	134.4	126.6	116.4	149.2	142.3	118.4	180.9	151.2
Feb. 16th.	170.7	215.2	155.2	183.2	167.2	137.8	168.5	159.7	179.1	134.8	126.7	116.4	150.2	141.0	114.9	182.1	150.4
Feb. 23rd.	163.3	207.4	149.3	179.9	161.5	132.9	161.9	153.7	167.2	134.1	127.5	115.9	147.3	136.2	109.9	177.1	146.1
March 1st.	162.9	207.1	148.5	175.4	164.8	130.5	159.4	153.3	162.5	133.6	127.3	116.7	146.1	137.2	113.3	175.3	146.1
March 8th.	166.3	212.0	153.8	176.6	166.1	130.5	161.1	162.1	167.3	134.8	130.1	119.0	144.6	138.5	114.5	177.0	148.1
March 15th.	168.2	217.9	148.8	176.9	166.5	130.7	160.7	165.9	174.8	135.6	131.5	119.3	144.7	140.4	115.4	180.3	149.5
March 22nd.	169.8	220.0	149.3	179.3	166.3	130.0	160.8	167.2	180.2	138.0	134.6	119.3	146.7	143.3	114.8	188.0	151.7
March 29th.	173.1	225.2	152.2	176.4	173.7	129.8	160.4	169.0	181.4	136.7	131.9	118.4	146.9	149.7	120.6	195.5	153.8
April 5th.	175.3	238.2	160.4	176.2	173.1	129.9	161.3	171.0	183.0	136.9	131.6	118.5	147.7	151.9	119.6	202.1	155.1

STATISTICS CANADA LIBRARY  
BIBLIOTHÈQUE STATISTIQUE CANADA



1010776435