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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 of 1926=100, were as follows for the week ending January 31st.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 293.3 for the week ending January 31st, as compared with 290.7 for the previous week.

The "Traders'" index of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges, was 1150.7 for the week ending January 31st, as compared with 1127.4 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 155.0 for the week ending January 31st, as compared with 151.7 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 206.9 for the week ending January 31st, as compared with 213.3 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 224.8 for the week ending January 31st, as compared with 223.5 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for seventeen and lower for eight of the twenty-five stocks. International Nickel rose from \$66.1 to \$67.0, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from \$416.7 to \$466.2, Power Corporation from \$100.4 to \$107.9, Hamilton Bridge from \$51.3 to \$61.7, Massey-Harris from \$92.9 to \$96.6, Canada Car and Foundry from \$141.6 to \$158.8, Dominion Bridge from \$99.0 to \$103.3 and Lake Superior from \$29.3 to \$37.7. Brazilian fell from \$78.3 to \$77.4.

Sales were higher for eleven and lower for fourteen stocks. Massey-Harris went up from 20,600 to 57,200, Power Corporation from 8,400 to 32,900, National Steel Car from 5,400 to 9,400, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 6,000 to 7,100, Canada Car and Foundry from 7,000 to 9,100, Building Products from 2,700 to 8,300, Hamilton Bridge from 18,400 to 22,400 and Lake Superior from 5,300 to 12,500. International Nickel declined from 1,237,100 to 655,400, Brazilian from 140,300 to 57,400, British Columbia Power "A" from 35,900 to 7,100, Cockshutt Flow Co. from 53,700 to 24,300, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 16,600 to 8,300, Canada Dredgings from 14,400 to 4,800, Canada Power and Paper from 23,300 to 3,900 and Walkers from 18,300 to 14,100.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

	Investors' index number of Common Stocks	Industrial Companies Located in Canada	Public Utility Companies Located Abroad	Traders' index number of the twenty-five best selling Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks	Index of Price	Index of Total value of all Stocks Traded
1926	100	100	100	100	100	100
1927						
May	124.6	122.3	106.1	119.6	161.0	167.8
June	121.5	120.5	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
1928						
January	172.5	136.2	143.3	152.2	317.7	282.9
February	167.6	135.1	140.2	148.0	322.0	230.3
March	172.4	137.6	147.6	152.4	338.5	230.6
April	177.0	139.5	156.0	156.6	379.5	282.0
May	184.4	150.6	163.8	165.5	417.1	256.0
June	170.0	139.1	150.2	152.9	388.0	184.3
July	169.6	140.6	153.0	153.9	391.2	108.0
August	166.5	136.1	145.9	149.4	391.3	127.8
September	185.3	143.4	154.9	161.5	470.6	166.4
October	201.2	144.2	168.6	171.0	553.2	362.4
November	229.3	149.2	189.1	188.4	714.1	440.1
December	237.3	149.7	185.5	191.0	809.7	256.8
1929						
Week ending Jan. 3rd.	254.2	149.5	194.1	203.6	913.4	274.0
" " Jan. 10th.	267.6	150.2	203.2	211.3	993.8	523.7
" " Jan. 17th.	269.2	149.2	201.5	211.3	1012.2	381.5
" " Jan. 24th.	290.7	151.7	213.3	223.5	x1127.4	x781.9
" " Jan. 31st.	293.3	155.0	206.9	224.8	1150.7	469.4

Purpose of Traders' and Investors' Index Numbers

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.

x Revised index figures.

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				
	Total	Iron and Steel	Pulp and Paper	Milling	Oils	Textiles and Clothing	Food and Allied Products	Beverages	Mis-cell-aneous	Total	Trans- port-ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Tract- ion	Total	In- dust-rial	Util- ity	Grand Total
	79	9	9	5	3	9	21	7	16	16	2	2	12	8	1	7	103
<u>1926</u>	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
<u>1927</u>																	
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	158.0	94.2	123.1	118.7	115.1	123.0	122.0	132.5	120.3	113.0	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	104.3	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
<u>1928</u>																	
January	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	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
March	172.4	224.3	156.0	176.7	171.9	133.8	162.5	168.6	179.0	137.6	134.5	119.3	147.3	147.6	118.1	183.6	152.4
April	177.0	249.8	160.0	180.4	177.0	136.4	165.4	181.9	177.9	139.5	132.8	120.8	154.0	156.0	124.5	194.5	156.6
May	184.4	255.7	156.3	184.9	193.6	134.0	169.7	187.3	183.4	150.6	137.7	124.4	175.0	163.8	132.2	202.1	165.5
June	170.0	230.8	127.0	175.8	180.8	123.0	157.3	165.0	177.5	139.1	127.6	119.4	160.1	150.2	120.6	192.6	152.9
July	169.6	234.7	113.7	176.1	186.2	120.0	155.8	167.4	175.9	140.6	129.2	118.0	162.1	153.0	121.5	197.8	153.9
August	166.5	222.2	98.9	169.9	186.3	116.5	150.1	158.6	181.8	136.1	129.5	115.6	150.7	145.9	117.7	186.5	149.4
September	185.3	247.3	108.1	178.9	210.8	117.7	153.1	175.4	210.5	143.4	136.2	118.6	159.7	154.9	122.9	200.3	161.5
October	201.2	267.5	99.3	190.7	228.2	114.2	159.3	183.4	245.8	144.2	137.9	118.7	159.7	168.6	134.3	217.5	171.0
November	229.3	317.5	101.1	197.5	261.5	114.3	166.6	195.8	295.6	149.2	149.6	119.2	157.3	189.1	159.5	234.2	188.4
December	237.3	328.6	97.1	208.3	246.5	114.1	182.5	184.4	336.3	149.7	149.3	120.3	158.8	185.5	151.5	235.6	191.0
<u>1929</u>																	
No. of Securities	92	14	9	5	3	7	23	11	20	18	2	2	14	7	1	6	117
Jan. 3rd.	254.2	340.9	100.6	206.5	270.4	110.1	188.8	181.8	377.2	149.5	147.5	119.8	160.8	194.1	162.3	247.4	203.6
Jan. 10th.	267.6	356.9	101.0	208.5	273.9	109.1	192.7	184.7	418.3	150.2	150.0	119.8	159.9	203.2	170.7	258.0	211.3
Jan. 17th.	269.2	370.4	106.2	209.9	269.7	107.6	193.0	182.2	423.3	149.2	148.6	120.5	159.2	201.5	171.8	252.8	211.3
Jan. 24th.	290.7	374.1	110.3	211.9	276.9	106.5	191.8	187.1	490.6	151.7	149.9	120.0	163.4	213.3	191.5	255.5	223.5
Jan. 31st.	293.3	383.8	108.8	230.3	269.1	107.1	191.4	187.2	506.2	155.0	154.5	120.7	166.1	206.9	180.5	254.2	224.8

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