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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 March 14th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 277.1 for the week ending March 14th, as compared with 286.6 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 1090.8 for the week ending March 14th, as compared with 1145.0 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 150.3 for the week ending March 14th, as compared with 153.3 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 184.1 for the week ending March 14th, as compared with 188.3 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 213.7 for the week ending March 14th, as compared with 219.7 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were lower for nineteen and higher for six of the twenty-five stocks. International Nickel from \$64.4 to \$60.5, Brazilian from \$67.5 to \$64.0, Massey Harris from \$89.7 to \$84.6, National Steel Car from \$121.2 to \$111.9, Canada Car and Foundry from \$151.8 to \$140.7, Cockshutt Plow Co. from \$45.8 to \$42.8, Power Corporation from \$116.5 to \$112.3, Dominion Bridge from \$103.9 to \$102.2, Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" from \$42.7 to \$40.4, Walkers from \$80.8 to \$78.4 and Shawinigan from \$87.3 to \$85.8. Famous Players went up from \$44.9 to \$49.8, Lyall from \$59.2 to \$62.0, Canada Cement from \$33.3 to \$34.1 and Brompton from \$45.6 to \$46.7.

Sales were lower for thirteen and higher for twelve stocks. International Nickel declined from 299,600 to 219,900, Massey Harris from 40,100 to 7,600, Hamilton Bridge from 9,700 to 3,400, Power Corporation from 7,000 to 3,800, Walkers from 9,000 to 4,900, Page Hersey from 3,200 to 1,400, Canada Cement from 23,400 to 16,400, Winnipeg Electric from 5,000 to 2,400 and Shawinigan from 8,300 to 6,400, Brazilian rose from 29,600 to 70,700, Brompton from 2,500 to 11,700, Lyall from 700 to 5,800, Famous Players from 1,800 to 6,800, National Steel Car from 1,500 to 2,800, Canada Steamship Lines from 1,000 to 3,800, Canada Car and Foundry from 1,500 to 2,200 and Dominion Bridge from 6,900 to 7,900.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

	Investors' Index Number of Common Stock	Public Utility Companies Located in Canada	Public Utility Companies 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
1927						
September	146.1	127.1	124.6	154.1	211.3	232.6
October	134.5	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	338.0	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						
January	286.1	154.0	210.5	217.7	1039.5	475.3
February	292.9	158.7	198.9	220.3	1125.8	280.3
Week ending Jan. 3rd	254.2	149.5	194.1	205.6	913.4	274.0
" " " 10th	267.6	150.2	203.2	211.3	993.8	523.7
" " " 17th	269.2	149.2	201.5	211.3	1012.2	381.5
" " " 24th	290.7	151.7	213.3	223.5	1127.4	724.9
" " " 31st	293.3	155.0	206.9	224.8	1150.2	472.4
" " Feb. 7th	294.7	159.1	200.6	225.9	1154.4	405.1
" " " 14th	284.3	155.7	195.5	219.3	1112.7	311.5
" " " 21st	280.0	152.5	192.3	215.5	1099.9	227.6
" " " 28th	287.5	153.8	192.6	221.1	1136.4	177.2
" " Mar. 7th	286.6	153.3	188.3	219.7	1145.0	204.9
" " " 14th	277.1	150.3	184.1	213.7	1090.8	155.9

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

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INDUSTRIAL

UTILITY

COMPANIES ABROAD

Number of Securities	Total	INDUSTRIAL							UTILITY				COMPANIES ABROAD				
		Iron and Steel	Pulp and Paper	Mill-ing	Oils	Textiles and Clothing	Food and Allied Products	Bever-ages	Misc-ellaneous	Total	Trans- portation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Traction	Total	Indust- rial	Utility	Grand Total
1926	79	9	9	5	3	9	21	7	16	16	2	2	12	8	1	7	103
1927																	
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
1928																	
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	197.9	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
1929																	
No. of Securities	92	14	9	5	3	7	23	11	20	18	2	2	14	7	1	6	117
January	286.1	374.6	101.6	217.2	276.8	110.9	196.7	189.1	468.8	154.0	153.7	122.3	164.9	210.5	183.3	253.5	217.7
February	292.9	377.5	103.0	247.6	261.5	108.2	196.3	201.3	501.6	158.7	161.2	122.3	168.1	198.9	173.0	239.5	220.3
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	70.7	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	71.8	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. 31th.	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
Feb. 7th.	294.7	383.8	109.3	256.3	264.5	108.4	193.8	201.4	507.2	159.1	160.6	120.3	169.4	200.6	174.3	247.3	225.9
Feb. 14th.	284.3	372.2	103.1	243.4	259.7	105.0	190.3	195.1	484.8	155.7	157.2	119.8	164.8	195.5	168.5	242.8	219.3
Feb. 21st.	280.0	362.1	104.9	240.7	253.4	105.0	188.9	190.2	478.4	152.5	151.2	119.6	163.8	192.3	164.7	240.3	215.5
Feb. 28th.	287.5	369.3	112.5	240.2	255.6	105.3	191.1	192.1	496.1	153.8	153.7	120.1	164.2	192.6	164.7	241.0	221.1
March 7th.	286.6	372.6	106.8	235.3	254.5	104.2	187.8	189.7	499.0	153.3	154.4	120.8	162.2	188.3	158.9	238.1	219.7
March 14th.	277.1	356.9	103.2	235.5	253.2	103.5	185.9	179.2	475.5	150.3	152.7	120.7	157.6	184.1	160.3	226.9	213.7

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