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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 July 18th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 267.1 for the week ending July 18th, as compared with 268.2 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 1030.8 for the week ending July 18th, as compared with 1025.1 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 150.0 for the week ending July 18th, as compared with 148.1 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 172.3 for the week ending July 18th, as compared with 172.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 207.8 for the week ending July 18th, as compared with 207.6 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for fourteen and lower for eleven of the twenty-five stocks. Brazilian rose from \$58.2 to \$60.1, Shawinigan from \$85.0 to \$86.7, Ford "A" from \$48.1 to \$50.8, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from \$112.2 to \$114.8, Canada Power and Paper from \$28.6 to \$30.2 and Power Corporation from \$111.5 to \$112.6. International Nickel fell from \$51.3 to \$49.9, National Steel Car from \$111.0 to \$104.1, Massey Harris from \$57.1 to \$55.7 and Fraser from \$50.3 to \$46.9.

Sales were higher for fifteen and lower for ten stocks. Brazilian went up from 33,000 to 73,700, Shawinigan from 8,000 to 22,400, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 4,200 to 10,500, Ford "A" from 2,800 to 10,800, Massey Harris from 3,700 to 9,200, Power Corporation from 8,200 to 10,500 and Canada Power and Paper from 2,200 to 8,800, Walkers declined from 53,400 to 27,500, Page Hersey from 3,700 to 1,200, Dominion Bridge from 6,300 to 4,400 and International Nickel from 51,200 to 47,000.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

	Investors' Index Number of Common Stocks	92 Industrial Companies Located in Canada	25 Public Utility Companies Located Abroad	All	Traders' index number of the twenty-five best selling industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks	Index of Price	Index of Total value of Stocks Traded
1926	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
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
March	266.2	150.1	176.8	201.7	1057.3		242.4
April	269.3	143.6	180.3	201.0	962.4		128.4
May	269.3	140.2	164.2	196.5	955.1		113.4
June	264.1	143.4	162.8	195.3	968.0		82.2
Week ending 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	1092.4		157.3
" " " 21st	273.7	149.0	185.7	212.2	1064.4		151.1
" " " 28th	247.7	141.9	172.7	195.4	927.5		456.3
" " Apr. 4th	259.2	140.9	182.7	202.4	951.3		66.5
" " " 11th	256.8	139.4	178.6	200.1	922.3		126.3
" " " 18th	267.3	140.2	182.3	205.7	952.9		104.8
" " " 25th	272.9	142.8	181.2	208.9	993.8		177.8
" " May 2nd	272.0	142.9	172.8	207.0	992.1		166.6
" " " 9th	274.9	144.3	171.0	208.4	1001.5		123.1
" " " 16th	270.2	141.8	165.0	204.2	973.8		109.0
" " " 23rd	263.1	139.1	164.0	199.9	955.3		104.1
" " " 30th	248.1	135.2	154.8	190.1	890.1		117.4
" " June 6th	254.7	139.1	163.3	196.1	940.4		79.0
" " " 13th	256.2	141.0	162.4	197.4	953.0		54.3
" " " 20th	259.5	142.8	164.6	199.9	982.6		107.1
" " " 27th	261.5	143.3	160.6	200.2	996.2		88.6
" " July 4th	264.3	145.0	168.4	203.8	1018.0		82.4
" " " 11th	268.2	148.1	172.9	207.6	x1025.1		x 68.6
" " " 18th	267.1	150.0	172.3	207.8	1030.8		90.7

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 a trader on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges, who buys and sells the leading common stocks in the same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole, at the mathematical average price of the week and who turns over his investment's 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.

Number of Securities	INDUSTRIAL							UTILITY					COMPANIES ABROAD				
	Total	Iron and Steel	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Textiles and Clothing	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Misc- ellan- eous	Total	Trans- port- ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Tract- ion	Total	In- dust- rial	Utility	Grand Total
	92	14	9	5	3	7	23	11	20	18	2	2	14	7	1	6	117
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
1929																	
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	196.2	201.3	501.6	158.7	161.2	122.3	168.1	198.7	173.0	239.5	220.3
March	266.2	346.9	94.8	235.2	250.7	100.5	180.3	175.1	441.4	150.1	156.6	121.8	153.9	176.8	161.5	204.5	201.7
April	269.3	338.5	91.8	235.4	298.8	99.6	182.8	175.9	402.1	143.0	149.9	117.0	146.9	180.3	172.6	200.0	201.0
May	269.3	325.6	93.8	236.8	304.7	101.3	176.9	155.6	406.5	140.2	144.5	117.7	144.6	164.2	157.2	182.4	196.5
June	264.1	319.7	92.3	234.4	294.9	99.4	173.8	148.2	403.6	143.4	144.2	117.9	152.1	162.8	144.7	192.9	195.3
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	253.5	103.5	185.9	179.2	475.5	150.3	152.7	120.7	157.6	184.1	160.3	226.9	213.7
March 21st	273.7	344.4	101.2	235.0	260.0	102.3	178.4	177.2	462.1	149.0	152.7	120.4	154.9	185.7	165.1	225.0	212.2
March 28th	247.4	316.8	94.6	228.1	248.3	95.9	171.4	161.4	393.7	141.9	146.2	115.3	146.5	172.7	155.6	206.7	195.4
April 4th	259.2	324.4	95.9	228.7	274.8	98.3	179.2	164.7	403.9	140.9	145.4	114.2	145.1	182.7	170.8	211.2	202.4
April 11th	256.8	314.3	93.9	232.5	287.7	97.8	172.5	164.0	386.5	139.4	144.5	113.4	142.9	178.6	165.3	208.6	200.1
April 18th	267.3	327.1	99.0	232.7	311.0	96.1	179.4	161.5	395.0	140.2	144.6	113.8	144.4	182.3	170.0	211.3	205.7
April 25th	272.9	340.8	103.3	232.0	312.5	98.9	178.3	175.8	403.2	142.8	146.7	115.0	147.7	181.2	167.2	212.1	208.9
May 2nd	272.0	339.7	100.2	231.5	307.5	102.0	179.1	172.4	409.2	142.9	148.1	114.4	146.8	172.8	161.6	200.0	207.0
May 9th	274.9	340.0	102.1	233.3	310.8	99.7	178.3	160.1	421.0	144.3	150.4	114.7	147.5	171.0	160.9	196.6	208.4
May 16th	326.4	99.6	99.6	237.4	308.3	100.3	170.6	173.0	406.6	141.8	148.1	114.8	144.2	165.0	156.7	187.9	204.2
May 23rd	263.1	316.9	99.0	235.2	298.4	99.6	172.3	165.9	395.2	139.1	144.3	114.6	142.0	164.0	150.9	192.4	199.9
May 30th	248.1	293.4	93.1	234.2	284.3	98.1	167.3	153.6	368.7	135.2	139.3	114.7	138.1	154.8	143.0	181.0	190.1
June 6th	254.7	303.6	96.6	228.5	291.4	97.9	166.6	158.0	381.6	139.1	140.9	115.1	145.0	163.3	148.1	194.2	196.1
June 13th	256.2	309.0	95.0	232.1	293.4	98.5	168.7	158.9	383.8	141.0	151.7	115.4	148.4	162.4	145.7	194.9	197.4
June 20th	259.5	313.3	98.0	230.7	293.4	96.8	168.8	157.4	394.5	142.8	142.9	114.4	151.3	164.6	140.6	205.8	199.9
June 27th	261.5	313.6	96.7	232.3	289.5	96.4	169.3	155.3	407.5	143.3	145.7	113.7	149.9	160.6	135.8	202.7	200.2
July 4th	264.3	319.2	96.2	232.5	297.0	95.9	173.8	150.9	410.3	145.0	145.5	114.6	153.7	168.4	144.7	209.7	203.8
July 11th	268.2	322.7	95.2	240.4	311.5	96.6	174.6	156.6	406.1	148.1	151.9	115.0	154.3	172.9	156.7	205.7	207.6
July 18th	267.1	317.5	97.1	244.0	318.3	96.2	170.0	147.0	396.7	150.0	155.0	116.1	155.3	172.3	150.7	211.6	207.8

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