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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 17th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 158.0 for the week ending July 17th, as compared with 154.8 for the previous week.

The "Traders'" index prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges, was 770.2 for the week ending July 17th, as compared with 749.4 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 139.7 for the week ending July 17th, as compared with 118.0 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 118.1 for the week ending July 17th, as compared with 114.8 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 136.8 for the week ending July 17th, as compared with 134.2 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for twenty-one, unchanged for three and lower for one of the twenty-five stocks. International Nickel rose from \$23.6 to \$24.7, Montreal Light, Heat and Power "New" from \$55.1 to \$57.6, Brazilian from \$38.7 to \$39.8, Shawinigan from \$65.9 to \$67.7, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from \$194.2 to \$199.8, Ford "A" from \$30.1 to \$31.9, Dominion Bridge from \$50.2 to \$51.4, City Dairy from \$55.3 to \$59.2, Bell Telephone from \$148.1 to \$150.1 and Page Hersey from \$85.7 to \$90.0.

Sales were higher for seventeen and lower for eight stocks. Montreal Light, Heat and Power "New" mounted from 5,000 to 11,300, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 300 to 1100, International Nickel from 24,300 to 26,900, Dominion Textiles from 700 to 1500, Massey Harris 1,500 to 2,900, Ford "A" from 600 to 1,800, Steel of Canada from 500 to 1,300, Abitibi from 1,300 to 2,100 and City Dairy from 200 to 500. Bell Telephone declined from 1,900 to 700, Brazilian from 21,900 to 20,200, Canadian Car and Foundry from 3,800 to 1,400 and Winnipeg Electric from 1,400 to 700.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

	: Investors' Index Number of Common Stocks	: 100 Industrial Companies Located in Canada	: 27 Public Utility Companies: Located in Canada	: 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	
July	271.2	150.7	171.9	202.9	1032.1	86.0	
August	293.8	159.2	192.6	219.5	1170.1	212.2	
September	315.8	163.1	197.2	230.9	1230.4	179.6	
October	255.4	149.3	172.7	196.2	1125.8	269.5	
November	209.4	130.9	129.5	161.8	769.2	119.4	
December	210.0	131.6	137.9	164.0	786.7	55.8	
1930							
January	209.1	133.3	130.3	162.8	828.9	56.4	
February	205.5	141.0	121.0	162.4	864.3	51.9	
March	210.2	137.4	133.2	165.3	898.6	56.1	
April	220.9	143.7	150.7	175.5	1010.9	93.1	
May	196.3	133.3	139.8	159.3	921.2	53.3	
June	165.4	124.2	123.8	140.0	821.3	52.7	
Week ending May 1st	203.4	133.1	149.2	167.8	969.2	75.5	
" " " 8th	188.5	128.7	135.6	157.0	887.8	112.7	
" " " 15th	195.4	131.5	141.5	162.1	939.8	48.8	
" " " 22nd	191.4	130.8	138.1	159.5	919.1	26.6	
" " " 29th	192.9	131.3	139.4	160.6	938.3	25.3	
" " June 5th	191.5	129.7	139.8	159.4	936.9	14.0	
" " " 12th	177.3	126.5	130.4	150.3	855.1	62.4	
" " " 19th	155.4	119.9	118.5	135.8	746.7	99.3	
" " " 26th	154.0	117.7	116.7	134.0	746.5	35.0	
" " July 3rd	154.7	118.5	115.9	134.5	759.5	9.8	
" " " 10th	154.8	118.0	114.8	134.2	x749.4	10.4	
" " " 17th	158.0	119.7	118.1	136.8	770.2	11.9	

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 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 investments every week.



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