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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 December 17th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 68.3 for the week ending December 17th, as compared with 72.4 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 380.4 for the week ending December 17th, as compared with 397.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 56.1 for the week ending December 17th, as compared with 56.7 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 47.1 for the week ending December 17th, as compared with 49.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 60.0 for the week ending December 17th, as compared with 62.4 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were lower for twenty-three, unchanged for one and higher for one of the twenty-five stocks included in the Traders' Index. International Nickel fell from \$9.8 to \$9.1, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from \$71.1 to \$67.2, Walkers from \$2.9 to \$2.6, Canada Dredge and Dry Dock from \$21.4 to \$17.5, Canada Cement from \$6.8 to \$5.7, Ford "A" from \$12.2 to \$11.6, Steel of Canada from \$23.1 to \$22.0, Dominion Stores from \$18.9 to \$17.4 and Consumers' Gas from \$171.6 to \$165.0. Brazilian rose from \$10.5 to \$10.8.

Sales were higher for twenty-one and lower for four stocks. Consolidated Mining and Smelting mounted from 1,100 to 2,500, Brazilian from 8,100 to 16,700, International Nickel from 11,000 to 16,400, Consumers' Gas from 20 to 300, Ford "A" from 2,100 to 4,500, Steel of Canada from 1,200 to 2,400, Loblaw from 400 to 1,700, Canada Cement from 800 to 2,600 and Dominion Stores from 800 to 1,400. C.P.R. declined from 6,500 to 3,900 and Bell Telephone from 1,100 to 800.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

	: Investors' Index Number of : Common Stocks : 98 Industrial 26 Public Utility : Companies Loca- : ted in Canada : Companies: : Indust-:Public : Located : All : Price : Index of : rial : Utility:Abroad : : : : Index of : : : : : : : Total Value : : : : : : : of Stocks : : : : : : : Traded						
1926	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1929							
Highest Weekly Figures	311.0	163.6	213.3	235.4	1255.4	724.9	
Lowest Weekly Figures	194.0	124.8	122.5	155.8	714.8	24.1	
1930							
Highest Weekly Figures	222.1	142.3	151.8	178.6	1037.2	129.3	
Lowest Weekly Figures	112.6	99.8	70.7	100.6	569.4	2.8	
1931							
January	124.7	107.3	83.6	108.8	609.8	3.4	
February	129.3	114.9	84.9	114.0	660.2	5.8	
March	127.8	116.1	79.3	112.9	714.3	4.1	
April	106.8	104.8	67.8	97.7	621.5	.7	
May	89.0	85.2	58.7	80.9	495.2	.4	
June	91.1	80.4	59.8	80.0	464.8	.1	
July	94.6	81.7	69.3	83.6	492.4	.03	
August	94.4	76.6	68.1	81.2	470.7	.01	
September	79.3	65.4	49.1	67.2	394.5	.008	
October	74.3	60.1	48.0	62.8	360.6	.001	
November	86.6	63.5	58.8	71.0	448.5	.002	
Week ending Oct. 1st	69.9	58.6	42.8	60.8	349.1	.003	
" " " 8th	68.1	55.8	42.4	58.8	330.8	.003	
" " " 15th	72.1	57.6	45.6	61.7	349.3	.001	
" " " 22nd	73.6	58.0	49.6	63.3	373.9	.001	
" " " 29th	74.9	57.3	52.5	64.1	388.4	.0007	
" " Nov. 5th	79.6	58.6	54.7	66.9	432.5	.002	
" " " 12th	85.9	61.5	58.9	71.5	477.8	.004	
" " " 19th	81.1	60.7	55.6	68.6	458.5	.0009	
" " " 26th	76.1	58.5	52.9	65.2	425.3	.0004	
" " Dec. 3rd	74.0	57.8	50.7	63.7	403.4	.0003	
" " " 10th	72.4	56.7	49.9	62.4	x397.9	.0002	
" " " 17th	68.3	56.1	47.1	60.0	380.4	.0003	

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.

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			Grand Total 124	
	Total 98	Iron and Steel 19	Pulp and Paper 9	Mill- ing 5	Oils 4	Textiles and Clothing 9	Food and Allied Products 22	Bever- ages 9	Mis- cell- aneous 21	Total 18	Trans- portation 2	Tele- phone Tele- graph 2	Power and Trac- tion 14	Total 8	In- dust- rial 1		Util- ity 7
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
x1929 -High	311.0	383.8	118.2	267.4	416.8	110.1	193.8	201.4	507.2	163.6	160.6	125.6	192.7	213.3	191.5	258.0	235.4
Low	194.0	196.1	73.1	191.9	248.3	74.5	131.8	89.1	247.0	124.8	117.1	108.3	131.1	122.5	117.4	138.1	155.8
x1930 -High	222.1	231.3	73.4	192.5	296.6	77.2	144.8	95.7	328.8	142.3	138.1	113.7	163.3	151.8	136.4	185.3	178.6
Low	112.6	134.5	22.3	97.9	167.5	56.7	100.2	59.9	133.2	99.8	91.0	99.5	108.4	70.7	72.4	72.7	100.6
1931																	
January	124.7	143.7	23.8	107.6	190.8	65.9	112.0	69.3	141.0	107.3	102.2	106.7	115.6	83.6	90.9	80.5	108.8
February	129.3	149.5	22.8	102.1	184.5	65.5	123.4	75.1	159.6	114.9	109.4	111.6	124.2	84.9	85.3	89.2	114.0
March	127.8	151.8	21.8	102.8	169.0	62.5	128.7	74.9	169.1	116.1	105.1	110.2	132.6	79.3	76.7	86.6	112.9
April	106.8	126.7	18.1	86.2	137.0	59.3	122.6	67.2	140.5	104.8	92.0	108.4	121.3	67.8	70.0	69.1	97.7
May	89.0	103.2	14.4	56.2	119.6	49.9	109.8	57.0	112.8	85.2	71.0	100.5	100.8	58.7	65.1	55.1	80.9
June	91.1	99.1	13.6	53.0	127.2	49.7	106.0	55.7	116.0	80.4	65.9	101.3	95.1	59.8	63.8	58.8	80.0
July	94.6	101.6	13.9	72.4	131.2	50.6	114.1	56.7	120.2	81.7	65.1	103.2	99.0	69.3	71.0	71.4	83.6
August	94.4	100.6	12.6	69.5	141.5	50.2	112.5	55.7	111.4	76.6	54.8	100.8	99.6	68.1	78.2	61.0	81.2
September	79.3	85.9	11.5	56.8	115.0	46.1	105.8	49.1	93.4	65.4	44.1	95.4	86.5	49.1	58.8	41.2	67.2
October	74.3	78.3	10.6	57.5	107.4	45.4	101.0	45.3	88.2	60.1	38.8	90.1	81.2	48.0	60.0	37.5	62.8
November	86.6	88.8	12.2	69.5	132.3	46.1	107.1	48.9	100.5	63.5	43.7	93.5	82.9	58.8	75.1	44.1	71.0
Oct. 1st	69.9	73.6	10.2	48.8	101.4	40.4	97.0	46.6	83.2	58.6	39.3	83.4	76.4	42.8	51.0	36.4	60.8
Oct. 8th	68.1	71.9	9.9	48.5	98.0	40.4	94.5	45.8	81.5	55.8	34.1	83.1	76.0	42.4	52.6	33.6	58.8
Oct. 15th	72.0	73.1	10.2	48.5	108.8	40.4	96.1	46.1	84.3	57.6	37.5	83.1	76.2	45.6	56.4	36.3	61.7
Oct. 22nd	73.6	75.0	9.5	48.5	109.7	40.4	96.8	45.6	89.2	58.0	38.4	83.1	76.2	49.6	59.7	41.3	63.3
Oct. 29th	74.9	76.4	9.4	48.9	114.3	40.4	96.6	45.6	89.2	57.3	37.0	83.1	76.2	52.5	63.0	43.9	64.1
Nov. 5th	79.6	83.1	10.0	63.6	125.8	40.4	99.9	48.0	89.6	58.6	39.5	83.1	76.3	54.7	68.0	42.9	66.9
Nov. 12th	85.9	89.9	11.6	65.3	131.8	40.6	104.3	50.2	102.0	61.5	42.9	88.5	78.0	58.9	73.5	45.8	71.5
Nov. 19th	81.1	87.2	10.8	64.7	123.6	40.7	101.6	48.5	95.0	60.7	42.2	88.0	76.9	55.6	68.5	44.2	68.6
Nov. 26th	76.1	82.5	10.3	63.1	116.5	40.9	98.4	46.8	86.7	58.5	38.9	86.7	76.0	52.9	66.8	40.3	65.2
Dec. 3rd	74.0	74.6	9.8	62.5	113.4	40.7	96.6	45.0	86.0	57.8	38.1	83.8	75.8	50.7	64.5	38.2	63.7
Dec. 10th	72.4	74.8	9.5	61.9	109.5	40.4	96.1	43.0	85.0	56.7	36.2	83.3	75.4	49.9	63.9	37.2	62.4
Dec. 17th	68.3	71.9	9.1	61.0	101.8	40.3	90.7	40.6	80.3	56.1	35.7	82.7	74.9	47.1	57.7	38.0	60.0

x Weekly figures

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