

62D04



Published by Authority of Hon. H.H. Stevens, M.P.,  
Minister of Trade and Commerce

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND COMMERCE  
DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS - CANADA  
INTERNAL TRADE BRANCH

(Issued December 5th, 1931)

---

Dominion Statistician: R.H. Coats, B.A., F.S.S. (Hon.), F.R.S.C.  
Chief, Internal Trade Branch: Herbert Marshall, B.A., F.S.S.

---

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 3rd.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 74.0 for the week ending December 3rd, as compared with 76.1 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 403.4 for the week ending December 3rd, as compared with 425.3 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 57.8 for the week ending December 3rd, as compared with 58.5 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 50.7 for the week ending December 3rd, as compared with 52.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 63.7 for the week ending December 3rd, as compared with 65.2 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were lower for eighteen, unchanged for five and higher for two of the twenty-five stocks included in the Traders' Index. Ford "A" fell from \$15.4 to \$12.2, Massey-Harris from \$4.6 to \$3.4, Brazilian from \$11.5 to \$10.8, Bell Telephone from \$126.9 to \$122.6, Steel of Canada from \$24.6 to \$22.7, Walkers from \$3.5 to \$3.1 and Consolidated Mining & Smelting from \$71.0 to \$69.1. Dominion Stores rose from \$13.2 to \$19.1.

Sales were higher for fourteen and lower for eleven stocks. Ford "A" mounted from 2,100 to 7,300, Bell Telephone from 900 to 1,400, C.P.R. from 3,100 to 6,300, Massey-Harris from 1,100 to 9,200, Dominion Stores from 700 to 1,800, Loblaw from 500 to 1,100 and Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine from 500 to 1,300. Consolidated Mining and Smelting declined from 2,300 to 900, International Nickel from 20,500 to 11,600, Brazilian from 16,200 to 11,200, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 1,200 to 200, British Columbia Power "A" from 1,200 to 400 and McColl-Fontenac Oil from 2,200 to 200.

- 2 -  
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 : : rial : Utility:Abroad : : : : : : :			: Traders' Index Number of : the twenty-five best sell- : ing Industrial and Public : Utility Common Stocks : Index of : Index of : Price : Total Value : : of Stocks : : Traded		
	100	100	100	100	100	100
1926						
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	425.5	.0004
" " Dec. 3rd	74.0	57.8	50.7	63.7	403.4	.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.

/ Corrected 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	Milling	Oils	Textiles and Clothing	Food and Allied Products	Beverages	Miscellaneous	Total	Transportation	Telephone and Telegraph	Power and Traction	Total	Industrial	Utility	Grand Total
	98	19	7	5	4	9	22	9	21	18	2	2	14	8	1	7	124
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 - High	311.0	333.8	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
1930 - 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	41.8	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	72.6	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

x Weekly Figures. + Corrected figures

3/12/31 8V

STATISTICS CANADA LIBRARY  
BIBLIOTHEQUE STATISTIQUE CANADA



1010776620