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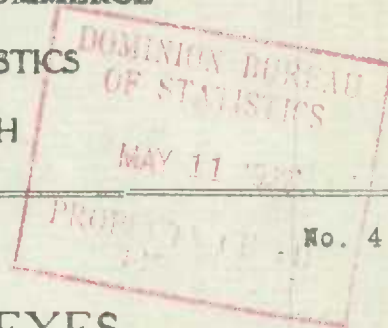
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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES  
APRIL, 1932.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926-100 moved down from 69.1 in March to 68.4 in April. 63 quotations were higher, 122 were lower, while 317 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products advanced from 56.7 to 57.1, better quotations for barley, oats, peas, bran, shorts, onions and carrots, influencing the index more than declines for rye, wheat, flour, oatmeal, rolled oats and potatoes. Animals and Their Products fell from 63.5 to 60.2 lower prices for furs, hides, leather, hogs, calves, and eggs outweighing gains for steers and lambs. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products dropped from 71.5 to 71.1, influenced more by declines for raw cotton, denims, raw silk, and raw wool, than by gains for worsted cloth yarns. Wood, Wood Products and Paper fell from 74.4 to 74.0, reductions in the prices of drop siding, fir dimension, and groundwood and unbleached sulphite pulp having more effect upon the index than higher prices for matches and fir timber. Iron and Its Products rose from 86.3 to 86.5, higher quotations for steel tank plates, hot rolled and annealed steel sheets, scrap iron and steel more than counterbalancing losses for automobile body plates, and galvanized steel sheets. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products changed from 60.3 to 58.5, owing chiefly to reduced quotations for electrolytic copper, lead, silver, tin, zinc, and solder. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products were 86.0 as compared with 86.2 in the previous month, losses for imported anthracite and domestic coal more than offsetting advances for soft mud process brick, coal tar and cement. Chemicals and Allied Products remained unchanged at 83.3, easier quotations for alum, borax and logwood extract counterbalancing gains for white lead.

Consumers' Goods dropped from 72.9 to 71.8, easier quotations for flour, potatoes, fresh and cured meats, butter, and eggs, more than counterbalancing advances for bran, shorts, rubber tires, coffee and matches.

Producers' Goods declined from 65.9 to 65.6, reductions in the prices of flax, rye, wheat, hogs, calves, leather, copper, tin and zinc influencing the index more than higher quotations for barley, oats, peas, bran, steers, lambs, and cement.

Raw and Partly Manufactured Goods changed from 57.5 to 56.5, being affected more by price reductions for flax, wheat, eggs, hogs, lambs, copper, tin and silver, than by increases for barley, oats, steers, and lambs.

Fully and Chiefly Manufactured Goods fell from 71.9 to 71.6, lower quotations for flour, cured meats, butter, leather, boots and shoes, and copper wire bars, outweighing gains for rubber tires, bran, shorts, cheese, and worsted cloth yarns.

Canadian Farm Products moved down from 51.7 to 51.1, losses for flax, rye, wheat, hogs and calves, exerting a greater influence on the index than advances for oats, barley, peas, steers, and lambs.

SUMMARY OF COMMODITY PRICE MOVEMENTS: WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS: An erratic advance of wheat prices during the first two weeks of April, was almost exactly offset by a subsequent gradual decline which lasted the balance of the month. A minor preliminary rise occurred in the opening days, influenced by good export buying and bullish weather in the United States winter wheat area, but a reaction followed almost immediately due in part to weakness at Chicago. The continuation of drought conditions in the United States, however, was instrumental in causing a second and stronger advance which lasted almost a week. Mild but persistent rains in the dry areas then followed, and prices fell steadily until the preceding advance amounting to five cents for No. 1 Manitoba Northern was completely lost, and quotations again rested on the 60¢ level as the month closed. Almost one half of the total drop occurred on April 28th, when weakness in





cables and outside markets coupled with considerable liquidation caused the sharpest recession since mid-March. Exports from North America in April showed considerable improvement.

The range of cash closing prices for No.1 Manitoba Northern wheat, Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis, was between 59.8¢ and 65.3¢ per bushel. The average price for the month was 62.6¢ as compared with 63.1¢ per bushel for March.

Quotations for other grains followed divergent trends. No.3 C.W. barley averaged 41.0¢ in April as against 39.9¢ per bushel in March, and No.2 C.W. oats advanced from 30.1¢ to 32.3¢ per bushel. No.1 N.W.C. flax, however, dropped from \$1.02 in March to 98.5¢ per bushel in April, and No.2 C.W. rye fell from 47.9¢ to 45.8¢ per bushel.

**MILLED PRODUCTS:** The month opened quietly, although domestic trade appeared to be fairly steady. Improvement occurred in eastern exporting business but exporters in the west continued to face dull conditions. A further competitive cut in rolled oats prices was made in the first half of the month.

An average of Manitoba spring No.1 patent flour quotations at Toronto dropped slightly from \$5.02 to \$5.04 per barrel of 2-98's jute. Rolled oats at Toronto were \$2.55 per 90 pound bag in April as against \$2.65 in March.

**SUGAR:** The arrival of heavy shipments of duty free sugar in the United States during April depressed prices further, so that spot raw sugar established a new low record of 6¢ per pound c. and f. New York. Refiners showed considerable interest in the market in anticipation of a seasonal improvement in consumers' demand. Lichts' estimate of European production for the coming year under the Chadbourne Plan showed a curtailment of 560,000 tons, no account being taken of Russian production. Further rumours regarding another Cuban selling agency and a report that Java might establish a minimum price of 1.13¢ f.o.b. Java, caused some interest, but received no substantiation.

Cuban raw sugar, 960 centrifugal, c. and f. New York, fell from an average of 65.1¢ to 72.5¢ per cwt. for April (Canadian funds). Standard granulated sugar at Montreal was cut further from \$4.47 to \$4.37 per cwt.

**RUBBER:** After sinking to new record low points in the second week of April, when the May position touched 2.96¢ at New York (U.S. funds), rubber strengthened slightly until the closing days of the month. A reaction then was attributed in part to poor buying of actuals by manufacturers. U.S. consumption of raw rubber reported for March was 27,828 long tons as against 30,011 long tons in February, and 32,788 long tons in March, 1931. New York receipts of raw rubber in March totalled 34,122 long tons as against 23,303 long tons in February. London and Liverpool stocks on hand gradually dwindled during March, the figure for April 2nd being given as 124,823 tons. March shipments from Dutch plantations amounted to 18,350 tons as against 17,425 in February, and 24,178 tons in March, 1931.

Ceylon ribbed smoked sheets at New York averaged 3.4¢ per pound in April as against 3.7¢ for March; plantation first latex crepe fell from 5.0¢ to 4.5¢ per pound; but upriver fine Para raw rubber rose slightly from 5.7¢ to 5.8¢ per pound (Canadian funds).

**COFFEE:** Support from Brazil due in part to exchange movements caused prices to hold firm during April. It was stated that the destruction of coffee in Brazil, which so far has amounted to roughly 4,000,000 bags, was proceeding at a faster rate. Receipts for the current season from the interior of Brazil have reached 18,400,000 bags, indicating a larger crop than previously anticipated. World supplies of coffee in April, including Brazilian interior stocks were given as 37,159,145 bags as against 30,474,173 bags a year earlier.

Green Santos coffee at Toronto advanced from 17.0¢ in March to 17.5¢ per pound in April, green Rio, green Jamaica, and green Bogata coffee were also 0.5¢ higher in April at 15.5¢, 16.5¢, and 26.5¢ per pound respectively.

**LIVESTOCK:** Plentiful supplies and lower prices characterised cattle markets in the early part of the month, but latterly under the influence of moderating receipts, quotations moved upwards. Exports to Great Britain have continued on a limited scale, shipments for the period January 1st - April 28th, aggregating 2,776 head, as compared with 2,617 heads for the same period last year. Influenced by heavy offerings of unsuitable quality, particularly in the east, calf prices moved lower. Plentiful supplies at practically all centres with a resultant easing off of prices, were also apparent in hog markets. Firmer prices obtained for lambs. Runs for the most part were reported moderate, with receipts from the west continuing to play an important part at eastern centres.





Good and choice steers, over 1050 pounds, rose from \$5.84 to \$5.88 per cwt. at Toronto, and from \$5.08 to \$5.12 per cwt. at Winnipeg. Good veal calves dropped from \$7.39 to \$5.98 per cwt. at Toronto and from \$5.76 to \$4.90 per cwt. at Winnipeg. Bacon hogs declined from \$4.90 to \$4.54 per cwt. at Toronto and from \$4.12 to \$3.83 per cwt. at Winnipeg. This same grade averaged \$4.77 as compared with \$5.10 per cwt. at Montreal. Good handyweight lambs advanced from \$7.30 to \$7.58 per cwt. at Toronto, and from \$6.25 to \$6.41 per cwt. at Winnipeg.

BUTTER: Butter quotations gradually moved lower, particularly in the east, where the arrival of considerable shipments from the west helped to depress markets. Cold storage holdings as reported by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics declined from 10,356,087 pounds on March 1st, to 4,319,318 pounds on April 1st.

The wholesale jobbing price of No.1 creamery prints fell from 27.2¢ to 23.1¢ per pound at Montreal, and from 26.9¢ to 24.4¢ per pound at Toronto. No.1 creamery prints at Winnipeg were unchanged at 25¢ per pound.

EGGS: Lack of buying for storage purposes was the apparent cause of declining egg prices, which for the first time in several years, were said to have reached lower levels than for corresponding grades in Great Britain. This has been interpreted as an indication of a disposition on the part of storage buyers to hold back until prices have reached a level favourable to profitable export. The statistical position of eggs was reported strong, with production throughout the Dominion lower than last year, and storage eggs on April 1st, approximating 245,955 dozen as shown by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. This marked the lowest level recorded since April, 1925.

Fresh extras fell from 28.8¢ to 21.4¢ per dozen at Montreal, and from 25.3¢ to 18.9¢ per dozen at Toronto. This same grade at Winnipeg averaged 16.8¢ in April as compared with 24.8¢ per dozen, for the preceding month.

FURS: As indicated by reports of the Canadian Fur Auction Sales Co. Ltd., some of the major prices declines since January have been as follows: Ermine 25 per cent., red fox 10 per cent. for better skins, silver fox about 6 per cent., and white fox 10 per cent. Beaver pelts, on the other hand were reported 5 per cent. higher than in January.

COTTON: Cotton moved downward, influenced by the continued fear that quantities of U.S. Government controlled stocks might be released in foreign countries, and by weaker security markets. Exports of American cotton fell from 807,000 bales for the period March 4th - 29th, to 517,000 bales from April 1st - 29th. Shipments to the Orient, which have been an outstanding feature, for some months past declined from 366,000 bales for the former period to 161,000 bales in the latter, and world's visible supplies moved down from 8,882,000 on April 1st, to 8,216,000 bales at the close of the month.

Raw cotton, upland middling at New York averaged 6.9¢ per pound, as compared with 7.7¢ (Canadian funds) per pound in March. Raw cotton 1" - 1 1/16" at Hamilton, declined from 8.9¢ to 8.2¢ per pound.

SILK: Declines in raw silk were attributed chiefly to unsettled Eastern conditions. Statistics showed that Japanese port stocks at the end of March, were slightly in advance of a year ago. Indemnified stocks although unchanged for several months, were reported lower than on the same date in 1931 and it was believed that a considerable portion of these latter are now unfit for use. World consumption of all silk for the past nine months approximated 492,682 bales, as compared with 548,838 bales a year ago.

Raw silk, grand double extra dropped from \$2.18 to \$1.78 per pound. Raw silk, crack double extra fell from \$1.90 to \$1.62, and raw silk extra moved down from \$1.85 to \$1.62 per pound, New York basis, (All prices are given in Canadian currency.)

WOOL: Declining domestic demand with a resultant lowering of prices featured the Canadian raw wool market. An increasing outlet for the Canadian product in British markets was shown by exports records which for March totalled 63,705 pounds as compared with 46,319 pounds a month earlier.

Raw wool, eastern, bright, low, medium, or 1/4 blood staple or 50's moved down from 12¢ to 11¢ per pound. Western wool, semi-bright medium or 3/8 blood staple or 56's declined from 10¢ to 9¢ - 10¢ per pound, and western wool fine, medium, or 1/2 blood staple or 58's - 60's was 8.5¢ - 9.0¢ as compared with 9.0¢ per pound in the previous month, in quantities of 20,000 pounds or more, f.o.b. Weston, Ontario.







**LUMBER:** Only slight variations occurred in lumber prices. Stocks in the hands of retailers continued low, and production also showed a decrease. Exports for the first three months of 1932 were recorded at 129,317,049 bd. ft. as against 126,-267,455 bd.ft. for the same period in 1931.

No.1 common fir timber 6 x 6", 12 x 12", 12 - 40', advanced from \$14.00 to \$15.00 per M bd.ft., f.o.b. mill. Fir drop siding 1 x 6", No.2 and better, fell from \$20.00 to \$18.00 per M bd.ft. carlots, f.o.b. mill. Fir dimension S. and F. 2 x 4", 12 - 14', No.1 base, dropped from \$10.00 to \$8.50 per M bd.ft. carlots, f.o.b. mill.

**IRON AND STEEL:** Relative firmness marked the iron and steel situation, although sales for the most part still consisted of small spot tonnages. There was a slight improvement in demand for scrap, but business soon dropped back.

Hot rolled and annealed steel sheets No. 10 U.S.G. rose from \$2.83 to \$2.96 per 100 pounds, carlots, f.o.b. Montreal. Scrap steel, charging box size, advanced from \$6.50 to \$7.00 per gross ton, and No.1 machinery scrap iron moved up from \$10.50 to \$11.00 per gross ton, delivered at consuming mill in Canada.

**COPPER:** Weakness dominated the U.S. basic copper market, with the export price, c.i.f. European ports officially quoted at 6.25¢ per pound. Following the posting of a special export price, foreign sales increased temporarily, but soon dropped back. Exports from April 1 - 19th totalled 6,040 tons, and it was predicted that foreign shipments for the month would be the lowest of the year to date. Interest was centred on the proposed custom's duty of 5¢ per pound, on all copper imported into the States.

Electrolytic domestic copper dropped from \$7.64 to \$7.47 per 100 pounds, carlots, f.o.b. Montreal. Imported copper wire bars fell from \$6.72 to \$6.41 (Canadian currency) per 100 pounds, f.o.b. New York.

**TIN:** Unsettled conditions in security markets were held to be chiefly responsible for lower prices in tin. The world's visible stocks were reported at 50,716 tons in April or 65 tons below the March figure, while shipments from the East, totalled 5,043 tons, as compared with 4,129 from the 1st - 26th in the previous month. A further curtailment in production of 25,000 tons was announced by the International Tin Committee, with a complete closing down of producing areas in June and July.

Tin ingots, Straits declined from 28.8¢ to 25.5¢ per pound, f.o.b. Toronto.

**CEMENT:** Price changes of cement reflected the inclusion of the increased sales tax.

Portland cement rose from \$1.66 to \$1.70 per barrel of 350 pounds at Montreal. Other quotations for the two months respectively, were as follows:- \$2.06 and \$2.10 at Toronto, \$2.64 and \$2.68 at Winnipeg, \$3.31 and \$3.35 at Regina, and \$2.70 and \$2.76 per barrel, at Vancouver.

**WHITE LEAD:** Seasonal improvement in sales was attented by slightly firmer prices, although the basic metal still remained weak.

White lead, basic carbonate in oil, advanced from \$7.90 to \$8.05 per 100 pounds f.o.b. Montreal, sales tax included.

#### BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - 1913=100

See page 8 for these data on the base 1926=100

	No. of Price Series	1931	1932						
		April	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
Building and Con-									
struction Materials	97	127.7	123.1	122.0	122.2	121.4	121.2	120.7	120.4
Lumber	27	117.0	107.1	103.8	103.5	103.8	105.1	104.4	103.7
Painters' Materials	11	129.8	120.6	122.8	124.1	121.7	119.7	117.9	116.6
Miscellaneous	59	136.9	138.9	139.4	139.7	138.2	137.1	137.1	137.6





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SUMMARY TABLES OF INDEX NUMBERS  
 1926=100

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	Price Series	Apr. 1931	Jan. 1932	Feb. 1932	Mar. 1932	Apr. 1932
Total Index 502 Commodities	502	73.9	69.4	69.2	69.1	68.4
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Products (grains, fruits, etc.)	124	59.1	55.7	56.4	56.7	57.1
II. Animals and Their Products	74	77.8	63.6	62.4	63.5	60.2
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	60	74.2	71.8	71.6	71.5	71.1
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	44	81.2	74.8	74.8	74.4	74.0
V. Iron and Its Products	39	87.6	87.1	87.0	86.3	86.5
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	66.7	66.5	63.1	60.3	58.5
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	73	86.0	87.3	87.2	86.2	86.0
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	73	87.8	84.4	84.2	83.3	83.3
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO PURPOSE						
I. Consumers' Goods	204	77.9	73.3	73.1	72.9	71.8
Foods, Beverages and Tobacco	116	74.5	63.6	63.1	63.8	62.1
Other Consumers' Goods	88	80.1	79.8	79.7	78.9	78.3
II. Producers' Goods	351	69.2	66.5	66.4	65.9	65.6
Producers' Equipment	22	90.6	91.1	91.1	90.8	90.7
Producers' Materials	329	66.8	63.8	63.7	63.1	62.8
Building & Construction Materials	97	83.6	79.5	79.4	79.1	78.9
Manufacturers' Materials	232	63.1	60.3	60.2	59.6	59.2
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO ORIGIN						
Total Raw and Partly Manufactured	232	64.1	58.6	58.5	57.5	56.5
Total Fully and Chiefly Manufactured	276	76.6	71.8	71.2	71.9	71.6
I. Articles of Farm Origin (Domestic and Foreign)						
A. Field, (grain, fruits, cotton, etc.)						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	98	45.9	42.5	43.3	42.7	42.8
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	69	71.4	68.6	68.5	69.1	69.1
(c) Total	167	59.6	56.6	56.9	56.9	57.0
B. Animal						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	41	81.1	66.7	65.3	64.3	61.0
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	49	75.2	63.1	61.1	63.4	62.0
(c) Total	90	77.8	64.7	62.9	63.8	61.6
C. Canadian Farm Products						
(1) Field (grains, etc.)	46	46.1	42.0	43.7	43.7	44.5
(2) Animal	13	81.8	68.8	66.2	65.2	62.1
(3) Total	59	59.4	52.0	52.1	51.7	51.1
II. Articles of Marine Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	5	68.8	65.5	67.6	70.1	58.3
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	11	76.1	73.0	71.3	71.5	69.2
(c) Total	16	74.1	71.0	70.3	71.1	66.2
III. Articles of Forest Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	31	83.4	74.3	74.4	73.5	72.8
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	21	79.9	75.3	75.3	75.3	75.2
(c) Total	52	81.5	74.8	74.9	74.5	74.1
IV. Articles of Mineral Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	57	77.4	80.6	79.8	77.7	77.2
(b) Fully and chiefly manufac- tured	126	85.6	85.1	84.8	84.3	84.1
(c) Total	183	81.9	83.1	82.6	81.3	81.2





INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES  
(Classified According to Chief Component Materials)  
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Commodities	No. of Price Series	Apr. 1931	Jan. 1932	Feb. 1932	Mar. 1932	Apr. 1932
Total Index	502	73.9	69.4	69.2	69.1	68.4
1. Vegetable Products	124	59.1	55.7	56.4	56.7	57.1
Fruits	15	102.3	79.1	80.9	82.5	83.2
Fresh, Domestic	3	140.1	67.4	67.4	70.6	73.9
Fresh, Foreign	4	75.7	85.0	90.0	90.0	90.4
Dried	5	78.1	99.4	99.3	100.0	93.9
Canned	3	92.5	75.8	75.8	78.2	78.7
Grains	23	41.8	41.2	43.1	43.4	44.0
Flour and Milled Products	9	61.3	58.7	59.1	60.2	60.8
Bakery Products	2	83.0	81.9	81.7	81.7	81.7
Vegetable Oils	6	63.5	64.2	64.3	64.6	63.3
Rubber and Its Products	6	50.6	49.9	48.8	51.0	51.9
Sugar and Its Products and Glucose	5	77.4	77.1	77.0	75.4	73.8
Tea, Coffee, Cocoa and Spices	13	68.8	68.1	66.3	66.7	67.1
Tobacco	8	50.3	50.3	50.3	50.3	50.3
Vegetables	15	53.6	32.7	32.1	34.7	36.6
Miscellaneous	22	79.3	66.3	68.0	68.0	67.3
11. Animals and Their Products	74	77.8	63.6	62.4	63.5	60.2
Fishery Products	16	74.1	71.0	70.3	71.1	66.3
Furs	9	67.4	58.6	56.0	56.0	50.6
Hides and Skins	5	55.7	48.5	41.6	41.6	37.7
Leather, Unmanufactured	5	93.3	87.1	87.1	84.2	82.8
Boots and Shoes	3	95.5	93.7	93.7	93.7	90.2
Live Stock	4	78.6	66.7	65.9	65.7	64.7
Meats and Poultry	10	77.3	58.8	55.7	55.6	54.0
Milk and Its Products	12	82.2	65.0	59.3	64.0	62.6
Fats	5	59.0	49.5	45.2	46.4	46.3
Eggs	5	61.4	67.2	72.7	67.0	47.9
111. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	60	74.2	71.8	71.6	71.5	71.1
Cotton, raw	2	58.3	44.6	44.6	44.0	39.5
Cotton Yarn and Thread	2	81.5	78.5	78.5	78.5	78.5
Cotton Fabrics	17	81.9	76.6	76.7	76.7	76.1
Knit Goods	1	86.7	80.0	80.0	80.0	80.0
Sash Cord	1	93.5	93.5	93.5	93.5	93.5
Flax, Hemp and Jute Products	8	63.7	62.1	62.0	61.9	61.4
Silk, raw	3	43.6	40.5	36.8	30.8	26.0
Silk, thread and yarn	2	65.7	72.6	72.6	72.6	72.6
Silk Hosiery	2	75.8	75.5	75.5	75.5	75.9
Silk Fabrics	4	46.9	60.6	60.8	60.8	60.8
Artificial Silk and Products	2	65.9	64.9	64.9	64.9	64.9
Wool, raw	3	47.4	35.1	35.1	35.1	32.9
Wool yarns	4	67.6	67.6	66.6	66.6	67.7
Wool hosiery and knit goods	2	92.3	85.7	81.5	81.5	81.5
Wool blankets	1	86.7	78.6	78.6	78.6	78.6
Wool cloth	4	75.2	70.2	70.2	70.2	70.2
Carpets	2	90.3	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0





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Commodities		No. of Price Series	Apr. 1931	Jan. 1932	Feb. 1932	Mar. 1932	Apr. 1932
IV.	Wood, Wood Products and Paper	44	81.2	74.8	74.8	74.4	74.0
	Newsprint	2	77.7	72.2	72.2	72.2	72.2
	Lumber and Timber	27	80.6	71.4	72.3	71.8	71.3
	Pulp	3	86.5	80.9	79.2	77.5	76.2
	Furniture	11	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.3
	Matches	1	72.5	74.7	74.7	74.7	76.2
V.	Iron and Its Products	39	87.6	87.1	87.0	86.3	86.5
	Pig Iron and Steel Billets	4	86.9	86.9	86.9	86.9	86.9
	Rolling Mill Products	10	90.1	92.5	92.2	91.0	91.1
	Pipe (Cast Iron and Steel)	2	89.9	89.9	89.9	89.9	89.9
	Hardware	14	91.7	88.6	88.6	88.2	88.2
	Wire	3	84.8	82.8	82.8	82.8	82.8
	Scrap	5	60.7	43.5	43.5	43.5	45.0
	Miscellaneous	1	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0
VI.	Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	66.7	66.5	63.1	60.3	58.5
	Aluminium	1	84.6	99.4	96.8	94.6	94.2
	Antimony	1	42.2	38.4	39.9	38.4	37.5
	Brass, Copper and Products	5	73.7	64.9	56.5	52.1	50.6
	Lead and Its Products	2	52.4	52.7	51.3	47.8	44.9
	Metallic Nickel	1	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.5
	Silver	1	45.7	56.5	56.0	53.7	50.8
	Tin Ingots	1	41.5	44.8	44.5	43.0	38.1
	Zinc and Its Products	2	44.9	46.1	44.7	43.3	41.2
	Solder	1	47.6	45.8	45.8	43.8	41.2
VII.	Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	73	86.0	87.3	87.2	86.2	86.0
	Bricks	8	100.6	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.8
	Pottery	2	81.2	85.0	85.0	85.0	85.0
	Coal	11	91.0	95.3	95.3	92.7	91.7
	Coke	6	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8
	Coal Tar	1	100.0	102.9	102.9	102.9	104.9
	Glass and Its Products	6	68.7	77.2	78.4	78.4	78.4
	Petroleum Products	6	74.0	72.9	72.7	72.7	72.7
	Salt	4	114.6	114.6	114.6	114.6	114.6
	Sulphur	1	100.0	118.5	114.6	112.0	112.0
	Plaster	3	96.9	94.9	94.9	94.9	94.9
	Lime	4	97.8	91.8	91.8	91.8	91.8
	Cement	1	100.7	103.5	103.5	103.8	105.9
	Sand and Gravel	8	96.8	92.2	92.2	92.2	89.8
	Crushed Stone	3	87.3	87.6	86.1	86.1	89.7
	Building Stone	3	66.6	65.5	65.5	65.5	65.5
	Asbestos	6	82.7	71.2	71.2	71.2	71.2
VIII.	Chemicals and Allied Products	73	87.8	84.4	84.2	83.3	83.3
	Inorganic Chemicals	22	91.3	91.5	91.3	91.3	91.2
	Organic Chemicals	7	74.8	75.3	75.3	75.3	75.3
	Coal Tar Products	2	100.3	101.4	101.4	101.4	101.4
	Dyeing and Tanning Materials	10	91.4	102.5	101.0	98.3	97.8
	Paint Materials	9	75.7	70.5	70.1	67.4	67.5
	Drugs and Pharmaceutical Chemicals	10	99.2	87.7	87.7	87.1	87.1
	Fertilizers	10	86.3	71.0	72.0	72.0	71.4
	Industrial Gases	2	97.1	88.7	88.7	88.7	88.7
	Soap	1	92.6	92.6	92.6	92.6	92.6





# INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

Classified According to Purpose for which used, 1926=100)

Indexes for the current year are subject to final revision

	No. of Price Series	Apr. 1931	Jan. 1932	Feb. 1932	Mar. 1932	Apr. 1932
1. <u>CONSUMERS' GOODS (GROUPS A &amp; B)</u>	204	77.9	73.3	73.1	72.9	71.8
A. <u>Foods, Beverages and Tobacco</u>	116	74.5	63.6	63.1	63.8	62.1
Beverages	8	70.1	70.7	69.2	69.2	69.7
Flour and Milled Products	5	61.3	58.7	59.1	60.2	60.8
Bakery Products	2	83.0	81.9	81.7	81.7	81.7
Fish	16	74.1	71.0	70.3	71.1	66.3
Fruits	15	102.3	79.1	80.9	82.5	83.2
Meats and Poultry	10	77.3	58.8	55.7	55.6	54.0
Milk and Milk Products	12	82.2	65.0	59.3	64.0	62.6
Sugar and Its Products	3	77.4	77.1	77.0	75.4	73.8
Vegetables	15	53.6	32.7	32.1	34.7	36.6
Eggs	5	61.4	67.2	72.7	67.0	47.9
Tobacco	8	50.3	50.3	50.3	50.3	50.3
Miscellaneous	17	66.2	61.9	60.6	61.7	60.4
B. <u>Other Consumers' Goods</u>	88	80.1	79.8	79.7	78.9	78.3
Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Hosiery and Underwear	41	80.0	77.7	77.6	77.8	77.0
Household Equipment and Supplies	47	80.1	81.3	81.2	79.7	79.3
11. <u>PRODUCERS' GOODS (GROUPS C &amp; D)</u>	351	69.2	66.5	66.4	65.9	65.6
C. <u>Producers' Equipment</u>	22	90.6	91.1	91.1	90.8	90.7
Tools	3	94.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8
Light, Heat & Power Equipment and Supplies	17	90.8	91.4	91.4	91.1	91.0
Miscellaneous	2	84.5	84.5	84.5	84.5	84.5
D. <u>Producers' Materials</u>	329	66.8	63.8	63.7	63.1	62.8
Building and Construction Materials	97	83.6	79.5	79.4	79.1	78.9
Lumber	27	80.6	71.4	72.3	71.8	71.3
Painters' Materials	11	71.1	66.7	65.6	64.6	63.9
Miscellaneous	59	89.6	90.4	89.7	89.7	90.0
<u>Manufacturers' Materials</u>	232	63.1	60.3	60.2	59.6	59.2
Textiles and Clothing	47	71.5	69.4	69.5	69.4	68.9
Furs and Leather Goods	19	79.2	71.9	70.1	68.6	65.5
For Metal Working Industries	35	70.6	70.2	67.5	65.2	63.8
For Chemical Using Industries	44	90.1	92.6	92.0	91.5	91.4
For Meat Packing Industries	4	78.6	66.7	65.9	65.7	64.7
For Milling and Other Industries	23	41.8	41.2	43.1	43.4	44.0
Miscellaneous Producers' Materials	60	71.9	66.8	66.1	65.5	65.2





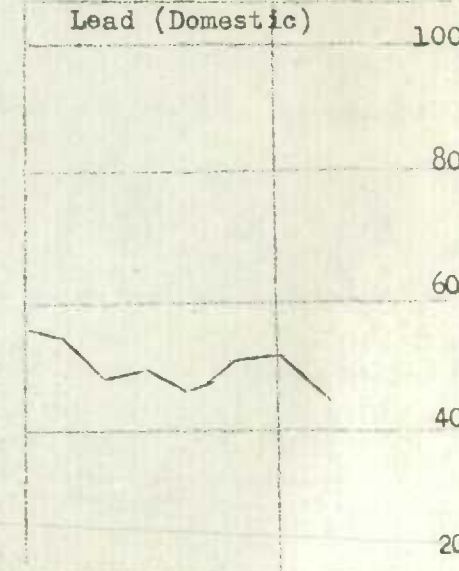
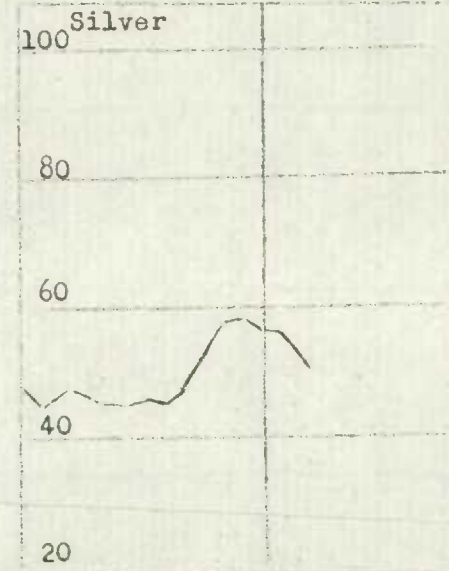
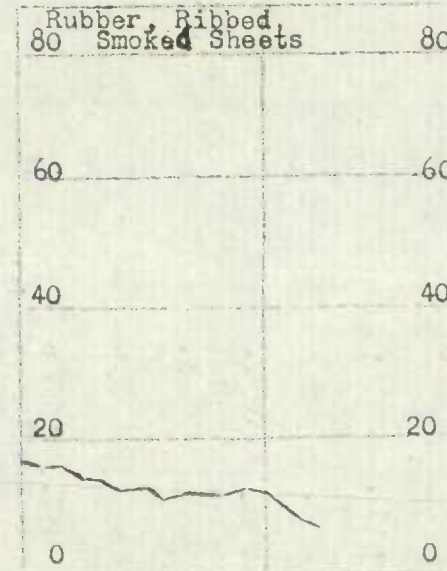
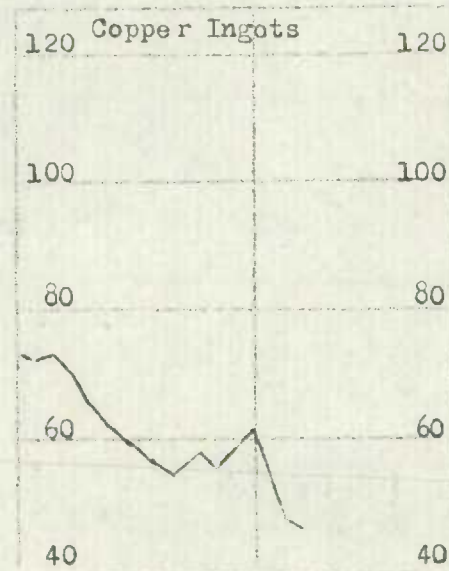
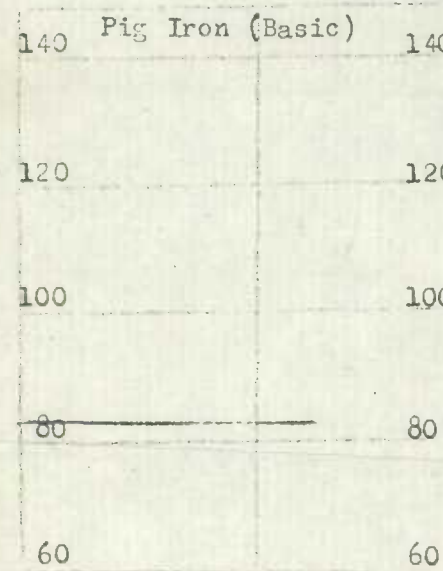
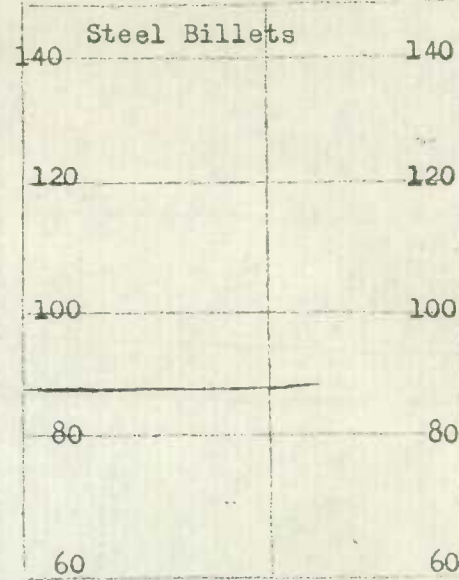
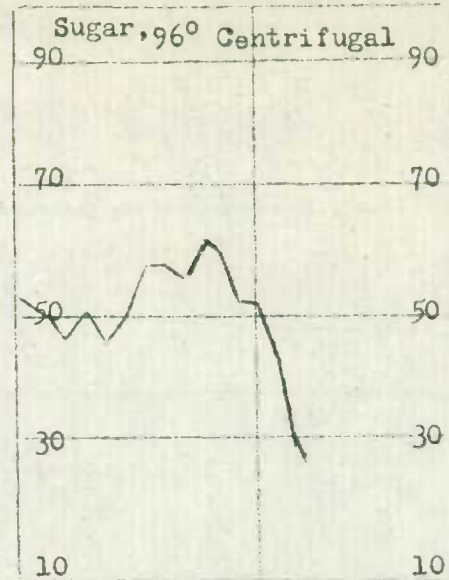
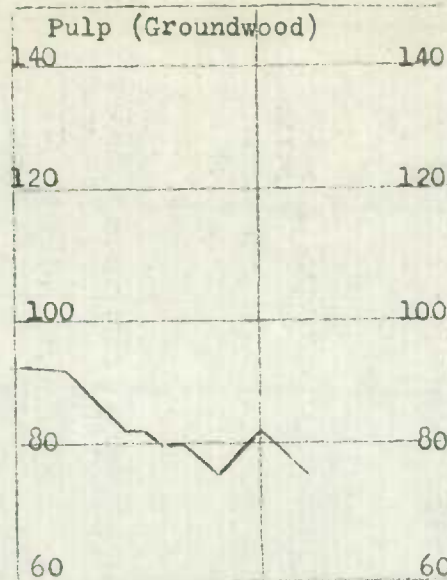
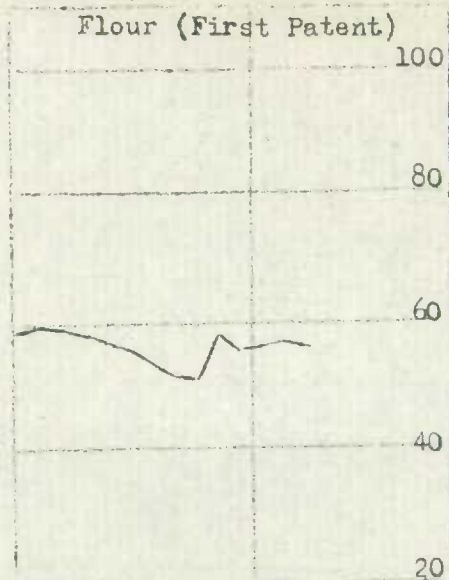
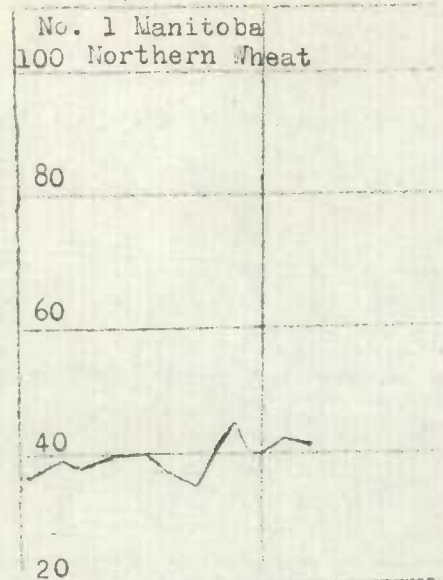
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WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

		Average 1926	Apr. 1931	Feb. 1932	Mar. 1932	Apr. 1932
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
OATS, No. 2 C.W.						
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis	Bush.	.548	.281	.292	.301	.323
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern						
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis	Bush.	1.495	.597	.632	.631	.626
FLOUR, First Patent, 2-98's jute						
Toronto		8.821	5.200	5.100	5.085	5.039
SUGAR, raw, 96° Centrifugal C.& F.						
New York	Cwt.	2.547	1.320	1.146	.851	.725
SUGAR, granulated						
Montreal	Cwt.	5.958	4.560	4.560	4.465	4.370
RUBBER, Ceylon, ribbed, smoked sheets						
New York	Lb.	.438	.064	.046	.037	.034
RUBBER, Para, Upriver, fine						
New York	Lb.	.434	.084	.062	.057	.058
CATTLE, Steers, good-over 1050 lbs.						
Toronto	Cwt.	7.330	6.220	5.950	5.840	5.880
HOGS, Bacon						
Toronto	Cwt.	13.320	8.470	4.940	4.900	4.540
BEEF HIDES, Packer hides, native steers						
Toronto	Lb.	.135	.080	.055	.055	.050
SOLE LEATHER, Mfrs. green hide crops						
Toronto	Lb.	.386	.370	.340	.330	.320
BOX SIDES B.						
Oshawa	Ft.	.263	.230	.210	.200	.200
BUTTER, creamery, finest prints						
Montreal	Lb.	.390	.305	.214	.272	.231
CHEESE, Canadian, old large						
Montreal	Lb.	.256	.220	.180	.180	.180
EGGS, Fresh Extras						
Montreal	Doz.	.465	.263	.310	.288	.214
COTTON, raw 1-1 1/16"						
Hamilton	Lb.	.194	.114	.091	.089	.082
COTTON YARNS, 10's white single						
hosiery cops, Mill	Lb.	.368	.250	.203	.203	.203
SAXONY, 4.50 yds., to lb.	Lb.	.717	.551	.506	.506	.495
GILGHAM, dress 6.50-7.75 yds. to lb.						
Montreal	Lb.	1.086	.994	.923	.923	.923
SILK, raw, grand double extra						
New York	Lb.	6.642	3.15	2.579	2.184	1.784
WOOL, eastern, bright, 1/4 blood domestic						
Toronto	Lb.	.306	.150	.125	.120	.110
WOOL, western range, semi-bright 1/2						
blood domestic, Toronto	Lb.	.316	.140	.090	.090	.085
PULP, groundwood, No. 1						
f.o.b. Mill	Ton	29.670	26.520	23.990	23.200	22.429
PIG IRON, basic						
Mill	Gross Ton	21.833	18.000	18.000	18.000	18.000
STEEL merchant bars,						
Mill	100 Lbs.	2.450	2.250	2.250	2.250	2.250
COPPER, electrolytic, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	15.767	11.090	8.450	7.638	7.467
LEAD, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	8.154	4.250	4.148	3.850	3.609
TIN INGOTS, Straits						
Toronto	Lb.	.669	.278	.298	.288	.255
SPELTER, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	8.825	3.960	3.936	3.820	3.634
COAL, anthracite, Toronto	Gross Ton	13.560	12.130	13.810	12.750	12.342
COAL, bituminous, N.S.						
run-of-mine	Ton	6.083	6.000	6.000	6.000	6.000
GASOLINE						
Toronto	Gal.	.253	.160	.175	.175	.175
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Beaume						
Ontario	Net Ton	14.000	16.000	16.000	16.000	16.000

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Wholesale Prices, Years 1931 and 1932 (1926=100)





INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS AND COSTS OF SERVICES IN  
CANADA, APRIL, 1932.

(Calculations based on prices as for the first of each month)

The index number of retail prices, rents, and costs of services fell from 84.3 for March to 84.1 in April.

For the 46 food items the index declined from 66.0 to 65.4, lower prices for meats, eggs, milk, bread, lard, potatoes and sugar more than offsetting reductions in the prices of butter and onions. Among the meats, sirloin steak moved down from 25.3¢ to 24.9¢, shoulder beef from 13.7¢ to 13.4¢, veal from 15.7¢ to 14.6¢, mutton from 22.5¢ to 22.2¢, fresh pork from 15.6¢ to 15.3¢, salt pork from 16.1¢ to 15.9¢, breakfast bacon from 18.4¢ to 17.8¢, and cooked ham from 37.5¢ to 36.7¢ per lb. Egg prices were substantially lower, the fresh variety declining from 32.8¢ to 24.8¢ per doz., while cooking and storage eggs were 25.8¢ and 19.9¢, respectively, for March and April. Milk was slightly lower at an average price of 10.1¢ per qt. Bread at 6.2¢ per lb. was fractionally lower. Lard dropped from 11.8¢ to 11.5¢ per lb. Potatoes declined from 15.8¢ to 15.3¢ per pk. Granulated sugar at 6.0¢ and yellow sugar at 5.8¢ per lb. were each one-tenth of a cent down from the March price. Butter prices showed advances, creamery rising from 24.1¢ to 31.2¢ and dairy from 20.3¢ to 25.9¢ per lb. Onions were up from 4.4¢ to 5.2¢ per pound.

The fuel and lighting index moved down from 93.9 to 93.1, due to seasonal price declines in three of the five sub-groups composing the main index, viz., coal, coke, and wood. The index for coal dropped from 96.1 to 94.3, that for coke from 87.5 to 87.3, while wood was 90.5 for April as compared with 91.2 in March.

The index for miscellaneous items rose from 97.1 to 97.2, higher levels for motor operating costs more than counterbalancing slightly reduced prices for medicines. The rise in the motor operating costs index from 92.2 to 92.8 was due to increases in the price of some grades of tires as well as to higher prices for gasoline, on account of increases in the gasoline tax.

Index numbers for other groups were unchanged.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS, AND COSTS OF SERVICES, 1913 -  
APRIL, 1932.  
(1926 = 100)

	Total Index	Food Index	Fuel Index	Rent Index	Clothing Index	Sundries Index
1913 .....	65.4	66.2	65.8	64.1	63.3	66.2
1914 .....	66.0	68.9	64.5	62.2	63.9	66.2
1915 .....	67.3	69.5	63.2	60.3	69.6	66.9
1916 .....	72.5	77.5	64.5	60.9	79.7	70.2
1917 .....	85.6	100.0	71.7	65.4	93.7	76.8
1918 .....	97.4	114.6	78.9	69.2	109.5	86.1
1919 .....	107.2	122.5	86.2	75.6	125.9	95.4
1920 .....	124.2	141.1	102.6	86.5	153.2	104.0
1921 .....	109.2	107.9	109.2	94.2	124.7	106.0
1922 .....	100.0	91.4	104.6	98.1	105.7	106.0
1923 .....	100.0	92.1	104.6	100.6	104.4	105.3
1924 .....	98.0	90.7	102.0	101.3	101.9	103.3
1925 .....	99.3	94.7	100.0	101.3	101.9	101.3
1926 .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1927 .....	98.5	98.1	97.9	98.8	97.5	99.6
1928 .....	98.9	98.6	96.9	101.2	97.4	99.1
1929 .....	100.0	101.0	96.4	103.3	96.9	99.0
1930 .....	99.2	98.6	95.7	105.9	93.9	99.4
x 1931 .....	89.6	77.3	94.5	103.0	82.2	97.4
x 1931 .....						
August .....	88.9	75.5	94.6	103.3	81.1	97.3
September .....	87.8	73.5	93.9	103.3	78.6	97.2
October .....	86.4	71.4	94.3	99.3	78.6	97.2
November .....	86.4	71.5	94.5	99.3	78.6	97.2
December .....	85.9	71.2	94.2	99.3	76.4	97.1
1932 .....						
January .....	85.4	69.6	94.3	99.3	76.4	97.1
February .....	84.5	66.5	94.2	99.3	76.4	97.1
March .....	84.3	66.0	93.9	99.3	76.4	97.1
April .....	84.1	65.4	93.1	99.3	76.4	97.2

x 1931 indexes revised to take account of indexes reckoned annually, e.g., electricity costs, sick costs, etc.





INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FOOD IN CANADA

Year and Month	Beef Sirloin	Beef Chuck	Veal Roast	Mutton Roast	Pork Fresh	Pork Salt	Bacon Break- fast	Lard Pure	Eggs Fresh	Eggs Storage & Cooking	Milk	Butter Dairy	Butter Creamery	Cheese
<u>1929</u>														
July	129.9	152.8	128.1	106.7	104.6	100.7	91.7	89.8	96.9	80.4	105.8	96.8	98.7	104.4
August	130.6	150.9	128.1	108.4	108.6	100.7	94.9	90.6	83.8	86.9	105.8	99.3	100.4	104.7
September	127.9	146.5	128.1	106.7	107.6	102.2	96.3	89.4	101.3	104.3	103.3	103.2	102.9	104.4
October	125.5	142.1	129.2	103.7	103.6	99.3	94.9	88.6	109.6	113.3	103.3	105.2	104.9	103.8
November	121.8	140.2	129.7	101.7	99.3	98.6	93.3	87.7	124.6	122.1	107.5	107.7	106.0	104.1
December	119.0	138.9	130.2	101.3	95.7	97.5	91.7	87.3	138.2	126.6	107.5	108.4	106.3	104.4
<u>1930</u>														
January	122.1	142.8	130.2	104.0	98.7	98.2	91.7	86.9	127.6	131.4	113.3	108.6	106.3	104.1
February	123.5	145.3	129.7	104.7	99.7	98.6	91.9	87.3	127.6	130.2	111.7	104.2	103.8	102.5
March	123.1	145.9	133.9	106.4	101.3	99.3	93.3	87.8	111.1	115.1	111.7	102.5	101.6	103.5
April	124.5	147.2	129.7	107.4	101.0	98.9	93.5	87.3	78.8	81.9	110.8	97.3	96.6	103.5
May	126.9	150.9	127.1	108.7	101.0	96.8	93.3	86.9	74.6	78.1	110.8	89.9	88.4	103.5
June	129.3	152.8	125.5	107.0	102.0	97.8	93.3	87.3	76.1	79.6	107.5	86.2	86.6	102.5
July	127.6	147.2	124.0	104.4	100.7	96.8	93.5	86.9	77.4	82.2	105.0	81.5	81.2	99.4
August	124.5	142.1	121.4	100.7	100.3	98.9	93.1	86.1	79.7	84.9	100.0	79.3	80.1	99.4
September	118.7	132.7	119.3	99.7	99.0	97.5	92.4	85.7	82.5	86.9	101.7	81.7	81.7	98.1
October	115.0	127.0	119.3	94.6	98.0	97.1	92.4	86.1	90.8	95.2	101.7	86.2	86.6	96.5
November	110.2	121.4	115.6	91.6	94.4	97.1	91.7	86.5	109.0	107.8	103.3	87.6	87.0	94.6
December	107.5	115.2	113.5	91.3	88.7	95.7	90.3	85.3	124.6	115.3	103.3	86.2	85.4	94.0
<u>1931</u>														
January	106.5	117.0	113.5	89.6	85.4	93.5	88.7	84.9	107.5	100.8	102.5	83.5	83.4	91.8
February	106.1	116.4	114.1	92.6	84.1	93.5	86.1	82.4	74.8	68.8	101.7	82.5	84.3	90.3
March	100.0	107.5	108.3	90.3	76.5	88.5	79.6	75.1	72.4	69.3	100.8	81.5	84.1	88.7
April	99.3	106.9	102.6	89.9	75.8	85.7	73.9	68.2	60.7	58.3	99.2	82.0	83.2	87.4
May	99.6	102.5	94.8	90.6	74.8	83.1	72.0	65.7	54.5	51.7	96.7	71.3	73.4	83.6
June	97.9	100.6	92.7	90.6	75.2	83.1	69.2	62.0	50.4	49.2	92.5	58.5	60.6	73.9
July	97.9	98.1	91.7	89.3	76.8	82.1	67.6	59.6	51.9	51.0	91.7	57.3	59.9	74.5
August	98.3	95.6	87.0	88.6	81.1	79.9	66.9	57.9	55.8	55.3	90.0	58.0	60.4	72.3
September	95.9	91.2	85.9	83.2	73.8	78.8	64.8	56.3	64.7	64.6	90.0	58.0	60.8	72.0
October	92.2	88.7	84.4	78.2	65.9	70.6	60.4	54.3	69.2	69.6	90.0	57.5	59.9	72.0
November	88.8	86.8	83.3	74.5	60.6	67.4	56.0	52.7	94.9	86.4	90.0	57.0	58.6	70.8
December	84.7	83.0	82.3	73.5	55.0	63.8	51.6	53.1	105.8	92.2	90.0	58.5	60.9	70.8
<u>1932</u>														
January	85.0	83.6	79.7	74.5	53.0	61.6	48.1	52.2	89.3	81.9	89.2	60.0	61.5	69.5
February	85.7	84.3	81.8	74.5	52.3	60.2	44.7	51.0	63.5	57.0	86.7	55.5	57.9	67.3
March	86.1	86.2	81.8	75.5	51.7	57.7	42.6	48.2	70.1	64.8	85.0	50.1	53.9	67.0
April	84.7	84.3	76.0	74.5	50.7	57.0	41.2	46.9	53.0	50.0	84.2	64.0	69.8	66.7





INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FOOD IN CANADA (Concluded)

Year and Month	Bread	Flour	Rolled Oats	Rice	Beans	Apples Evapor- ated	Prunes	Sugar Granu- lated	Sugar Yellow	Tea	Coffee	Potatoes	Vinegar	Weighted Food Index (46 items)
<u>1929</u>														
July	98.6	90.6	108.6	94.5	150.6	106.0	87.3	92.3	90.7	98.2	98.9	59.7	100.0	98.5
August	98.6	100.0	110.3	94.5	150.6	108.0	87.9	89.7	90.7	98.2	98.4	109.7	101.3	104.2
September	102.7	100.0	110.3	95.4	150.6	106.0	90.4	91.0	90.7	98.3	98.4	87.1	102.6	103.6
October	102.7	100.0	110.3	94.5	149.4	105.0	93.0	92.3	92.0	97.8	98.4	83.9	102.6	103.2
November	102.7	100.0	110.3	93.6	143.0	107.0	97.4	93.6	92.0	97.9	99.0	84.1	101.3	104.3
December	102.7	100.0	110.3	94.5	136.7	106.5	99.4	93.6	92.0	97.9	98.7	85.1	101.3	104.8
<u>1930</u>														
January	105.4	98.1	110.3	94.5	131.6	105.5	102.5	92.3	92.0	98.3	98.7	87.9	101.3	106.5
February	105.4	98.1	108.6	93.6	127.3	104.5	104.5	92.3	92.0	97.4	97.5	93.3	100.0	106.0
March	105.4	96.2	106.9	93.6	125.3	104.0	103.8	92.3	92.0	95.4	96.1	94.8	101.3	104.8
April	105.4	94.3	108.6	93.6	120.3	103.5	105.1	91.0	90.7	94.6	95.8	89.3	101.3	101.1
May	105.4	94.3	106.9	92.7	117.7	102.0	103.8	88.5	88.0	91.8	94.4	97.4	101.3	100.7
June	105.4	92.5	106.9	93.6	121.5	104.5	104.5	87.2	86.7	84.4	93.6	100.6	101.3	100.4
July	102.7	90.6	106.9	92.7	120.3	104.0	101.3	85.9	84.0	83.3	92.6	98.0	101.3	98.5
August	102.7	88.7	106.9	92.7	117.7	101.0	99.4	84.6	85.3	82.1	92.0	87.9	101.3	96.3
September	95.9	86.8	105.2	91.7	117.7	100.5	96.8	82.1	82.7	82.4	90.7	64.1	100.0	93.1
October	94.6	81.1	101.7	92.7	116.4	102.5	94.3	82.1	82.7	82.1	89.5	60.7	100.0	92.8
November	91.9	77.3	96.5	91.7	110.1	100.5	88.5	82.1	82.7	81.0	88.6	56.7	100.0	92.6
December	86.5	71.7	94.8	89.9	102.5	95.5	82.8	82.1	82.7	80.2	88.1	53.8	100.0	91.5
<u>1931</u>														
January	87.8	69.8	91.4	89.9	97.5	93.5	80.3	80.8	81.3	79.9	86.9	52.6	100.0	89.1
February	86.5	66.0	87.9	88.1	89.9	93.5	78.3	80.8	81.3	78.8	84.5	51.4	100.0	85.6
March	87.8	64.1	87.9	87.1	82.3	91.9	77.1	80.8	78.5	78.5	83.7	49.0	100.0	82.8
April	87.8	64.1	86.2	87.1	79.7	88.4	77.1	80.8	80.0	77.8	82.2	46.4	98.7	80.5
May	86.5	62.2	87.9	83.5	77.2	86.4	75.8	79.5	80.0	76.8	81.7	46.0	98.7	77.7
June	85.1	62.2	86.2	85.3	77.2	84.9	74.5	79.5	80.0	76.3	80.1	43.4	98.7	75.0
July	85.1	60.4	86.2	85.3	77.2	85.4	76.4	79.5	80.0	76.8	80.2	45.0	100.0	74.7
August	85.1	54.7	86.2	83.5	74.7	85.9	74.5	79.5	80.0	76.6	80.4	58.1	98.7	75.5
September	85.1	58.5	86.2	83.5	74.7	87.4	77.7	79.5	80.0	75.7	78.3	40.9	100.0	73.5
October	85.1	56.6	82.7	82.6	70.9	84.4	75.8	79.5	80.0	74.7	77.0	34.9	97.4	71.4
November	85.1	54.7	79.3	80.7	65.7	83.9	77.1	79.5	80.0	73.5	75.0	31.9	97.4	71.5
December	83.8	56.6	81.0	80.7	62.0	88.4	75.2	79.5	78.7	73.1	73.5	31.9	97.4	71.2
<u>1932</u>														
January	85.1	58.5	81.0	79.8	60.7	83.4	74.5	78.2	78.7	71.7	72.9	31.3	98.7	69.6
February	85.1	56.6	81.0	79.8	58.2	81.9	72.6	78.2	78.7	71.5	72.4	31.9	97.4	66.5
March	85.1	56.6	81.0	79.8	55.7	82.4	72.6	78.2	78.7	70.6	71.1	31.3	98.7	66.0
April	83.8	56.6	81.0	78.0	54.4	79.4	70.1	76.9	77.3	70.2	71.4	30.4	100.0	65.4





INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

MOVEMENT OF INDEXES IN APRIL, 1932.

TRADERS' INDEX

The "Traders' Index" of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges was 304.2 for the month of April, 1932, as compared with 413.6 for March, 1932, (monthly indexes are simple averages of weekly figures).

Some of the principal changes in price during the month were as follows: Consolidated Mining and Smelting fell from \$69.1 to \$42.6, Bell Telephone from \$109.2 to \$92.3, Page-Hersey from \$57.1 to \$43.1, Dominion Textile from \$52.5 to \$44.5, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from \$36.0 to \$28.3, F. N. Burt from \$28.8 to \$21.5, Ford "A" from \$15.5 to \$10.2, Steel of Canada from \$22.5 to \$17.3, C.P.R. from \$18.8 to \$14.0 and British Columbia Power "A" from \$23.3 to \$19.3.

Sales of Brazilian mounted from 40,100 to 55,200, International Nickel from 46,700 to 60,000, McColl-Frontenac Oil from 5,400 to 14,100, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 1,300 to 9,700, Ford "A" from 7,000 to 13,300, Bell Telephone from 4,500 to 10,000, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 4,800 to 10,200, Steel of Canada from 2,000 to 6,400, British Columbia Power "A" from 3,000 to 6,700 and Quebec Power from 1,300 to 4,500. C.P.R. declined from 80,900 to 30,600 and National Steel Car from 6,600 to 1,900.

NOTE: 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 as a whole and turns over his investments every week. It is based upon the prices of the 25 best selling Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Prices</u>
<u>1926</u>	100
<u>1929</u>	
July	1032.1
August	1170.1
September	1230.4
October	1125.8
November	769.2
December	786.7
<u>1930</u>	
January	828.9
February	864.3
March	898.6
April	1010.9
May	921.2
June	821.3
July	768.6
August	731.3
September	778.4
October	618.1
November	612.7
December	596.5
<u>1931</u>	
January	609.8
February	660.2
March	714.3
April	621.5
May	495.2
June	464.8
July	492.4
August	470.7
September	394.5
October	360.6
November	448.5
December	390.7
<u>1932</u>	
January	402.8
February	400.8
March	413.6
April	304.2





### INVESTORS' INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS

The monthly index of ninety-six industrial stocks declined from 71.5 in March to 58.2 in April. All sub-groups were lower, Miscellaneous declining from 82.4 to 62.2, Oils from 106.8 to 87.7, Iron and Steel from 79.2 to 62.5 and Textiles and Clothing from 38.3 to 32.5. Eighteen Utilities fell from 59.8 to 48.9, Telephone and Telegraph showing the biggest decline, viz., from 81.1 to 68.8. Eight Companies located abroad dropped from 55.8 to 47.4. In this group, Utilities fell from 45.7 to 37.1 and International Petroleum, the Industrial included, from 67.0 to 59.1. Eight banks were 85.8 in April as compared with 86.0 in March.

### PREFERRED STOCKS

The index number of twenty-two preferred stocks was 55.8 in April as compared with 59.6 in March. Abitibi fell from 8.8 to 5.8, Canada Cement from 61.3 to 50.9, Canadian Car and Foundry from 15.1 to 12.5, Moore Preferred A from 80.9 to 73.6, Maple Leaf from 14.8 to 11.7, Ottawa Light, Heat and Power from 100.0 to 93.0 and Tuckett from 115.0 to 113.7.

### INDEX NUMBERS OF 22 PREFERRED STOCKS

1926 - 1932

(1926 = 100)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1926	100.4	101.4	100.9	99.6	98.3	98.7	99.1	99.4	100.0	100.2	101.0	101.4
1927	102.1	102.5	102.7	102.6	102.5	102.1	102.5	103.8	104.8	107.8	110.8	111.8
1928	111.5	110.9	109.9	111.4	111.7	111.2	110.3	107.5	107.6	106.2	104.0	107.9
1929	107.4	108.1	106.8	104.3	104.3	104.8	104.8	105.6	105.1	102.9	99.8	100.4
1930	97.9	98.8	100.0	103.4	102.6	99.5	97.4	97.1	96.2	83.4	81.9	82.5
1931	83.2	83.4	84.2	78.8	73.8	72.6	71.8	69.1	64.2	63.9	66.5	63.0
1932	60.8	60.4	59.6	55.8								

### WEIGHTED INDEX NUMBERS OF 20 MINING STOCKS

1926 = 100

The weighted index number of twenty mining stocks computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base 1926=100, was 50.2 for the week ending April 28th, as compared with 51.3 for the previous week.

Eleven gold stocks fell from 51.3 to 50.7, four gold-copper stocks from 56.3 to 53.9, and five silver and miscellaneous stocks from 18.2 to 16.3.

Among the gold stocks the weekly average prices behaved as follows:- Kirkland Lake declined from 35¢ to 31¢, Lake Shore from \$26.49 to \$26.32, McIntyre from \$16.12 to \$15.90 and Teck-Fugues from \$3.83 to \$3.49. Dome rose from \$9.57 to \$9.87 and Hollinger from \$4.60 to \$4.72.

Average weekly prices were lower for three and unchanged for one of the gold-copper stocks. Hudson Bay dropped from \$1.74 to \$1.64, Noranda from \$16.06 to \$15.48 and Sherriitt-Gordon from 36¢ to 32¢.

In the silver and miscellaneous group, Mining Corporation fell from 84¢ to 69¢ and Nipissing from 75¢ to 66¢.





INVESTORS' MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS  
1926=100

Number of Securities	General Banks			Utilities			Total	Industrial							Companies Abroad			
	Total	Total	Total	Trans- port- ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Tract- ion		Iron & Steel & Steel Products	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Mis- cell- aneous	Total	In- dust- rial	Util- ity
1932	130	8	18	2	2	14	96	19	9	5	4	9	21	8	21	8	1	7
1929																		
October	186.4	131.4	149.3	135.0	121.5	174.3	255.4	248.8	92.6	244.0	348.0	84.8	155.8	102.4	351.7	172.7	151.8	206.2
November	154.7	117.9	130.9	128.3	114.8	141.3	209.4	212.9	77.4	206.1	296.4	79.2	138.9	88.0	267.6	129.5	125.9	141.4
December	156.5	117.4	131.6	122.6	114.4	148.5	210.0	231.6	76.0	196.8	296.1	79.4	139.8	93.8	266.2	137.9	137.6	146.6
1930																		
January	155.7	120.3	133.3	123.0	115.7	151.6	209.1	232.5	63.4	174.7	286.6	78.9	140.0	85.8	287.7	130.3	131.4	136.9
February	155.3	120.4	141.0	139.9	117.5	151.6	205.5	224.8	63.3	171.9	263.0	76.2	136.9	79.2	305.2	121.0	117.8	131.6
March	157.6	118.3	137.4	132.4	115.8	151.2	210.2	221.8	64.9	156.2	270.8	72.4	132.5	77.5	317.4	133.2	128.8	145.8
April	166.5	118.6	143.7	132.7	115.3	164.9	220.9	233.5	69.9	163.6	296.5	72.3	145.3	87.4	318.4	150.7	139.8	171.4
May	152.1	117.7	133.3	127.9	113.3	147.0	296.3	221.1	62.2	158.8	265.0	72.0	142.6	88.5	266.7	139.8	128.1	160.7
June	134.7	115.2	124.2	122.5	111.6	132.3	165.4	192.1	56.1	149.7	222.0	67.3	132.9	77.9	215.4	123.8	114.6	141.2
July	132.0	113.1	122.3	117.8	111.3	132.6	162.2	193.0	52.9	138.3	217.1	68.0	125.0	77.1	213.0	119.5	113.3	133.4
August	125.1	113.3	116.0	109.2	112.6	127.0	153.1	189.1	49.4	129.3	208.6	68.2	123.1	73.3	193.8	110.4	112.0	115.2
September	130.8	117.6	123.1	112.4	114.2	139.3	160.1	186.8	45.3	128.7	226.3	72.9	122.3	72.1	204.2	112.2	110.2	121.1
October	111.3	113.3	112.7	107.6	111.3	121.6	129.2	146.8	30.6	109.0	185.1	64.5	108.8	63.3	161.7	86.6	89.3	88.8
November	109.6	109.3	109.5	105.7	110.1	116.6	129.0	145.9	27.2	107.3	190.0	62.7	104.9	61.0	160.0	85.2	88.6	87.7
December	103.1	108.2	104.7	96.7	108.2	115.6	120.3	142.2	25.0	112.3	178.9	65.0	105.0	59.2	141.2	76.1	80.6	75.6
1931																		
January	106.9	109.1	107.3	102.2	106.7	115.6	124.7	143.7	23.8	107.6	190.8	65.9	112.0	69.3	141.0	83.6	90.9	80.5
February	111.6	110.1	114.9	109.4	111.6	124.2	129.3	149.5	22.8	102.1	184.5	65.5	123.4	75.1	159.6	84.9	85.3	89.2
March	110.8	111.6	116.1	105.1	110.2	132.6	127.8	151.8	21.8	102.8	169.0	62.5	128.7	74.9	169.1	79.3	76.7	86.6
April	97.1	109.1	104.8	92.0	108.4	121.3	106.8	126.7	18.1	86.2	137.0	59.3	122.6	67.2	140.5	67.8	70.0	69.1
May	81.4	101.3	85.2	71.0	100.5	100.8	89.0	103.2	14.4	56.2	119.6	49.9	109.8	57.0	112.8	58.7	65.1	55.1
June	80.1	97.1	80.4	65.9	101.3	95.1	91.1	99.1	13.6	53.0	127.2	49.7	106.0	55.7	116.0	59.8	63.8	58.8
July	83.7	100.3	81.7	65.1	103.2	99.0	94.6	101.6	13.9	72.4	131.2	50.6	114.1	56.7	120.2	69.3	71.0	71.4
August	81.3	97.3	76.6	54.8	100.8	99.6	94.4	100.6	12.6	69.5	141.5	50.2	112.5	55.7	111.4	68.1	78.2	61.0
September	68.6	94.3	65.4	44.1	95.4	86.5	79.3	85.9	11.5	56.8	115.0	46.1	105.8	49.1	93.4	49.1	58.8	41.2
October	64.6	92.9	60.1	38.8	90.1	81.2	74.3	78.3	10.3	57.5	107.4	45.4	101.0	45.3	88.2	48.0	60.0	37.5
November	71.9	92.9	63.5	43.7	93.5	82.9	86.6	88.8	12.2	69.5	132.3	46.1	107.1	48.9	100.5	58.8	75.1	44.1
December	64.8	92.9	59.3	38.0	90.5	80.3	74.3	77.2	10.7	65.9	108.7	45.2	98.9	42.1	87.7	51.5	64.8	39.7
1932																		
January	64.8	90.3	59.1	40.9	88.3	76.8	73.7	77.2	10.5	66.5	107.8	44.9	94.7	42.5	86.9	54.3	67.1	42.9
February	63.5	86.1	59.1	43.3	82.0	75.3	71.1	76.5	9.9	64.9	106.3	39.6	89.6	40.6	81.7	54.5	65.2	44.8
March	64.1	86.0	59.8	46.2	81.1	73.6	71.5	79.2	10.1	65.5	106.8	38.3	87.8	40.3	82.4	55.8	67.0	45.7
April	54.0	85.8	48.9	34.4	68.8	63.7	58.2	62.5	9.2	63.7	87.7	32.5	83.2	36.1	62.2	47.4	59.1	37.1





INDEX NUMBERS OF TWENTY MINING STOCKS  
1926-100

	Gold 11	Copper 4	Silver and Miscellaneous 5	Total Index 20
x1928 High	137.2	344.3	128.4	138.6
Low	75.4	106.7	64.1	107.3
x1929 High	89.7	340.5	88.2	127.9
Low	52.7	170.9	49.6	72.6
x1930 High	66.7	218.4	50.7	88.3
Low	53.3	62.3	23.5	56.7
x1931 High	79.5	114.5	46.5	85.4
Low	54.4	52.8	26.5	54.8
1931				
January	68.1	74.4	34.1	68.5
February	72.0	82.7	36.8	73.3
March	72.3	96.7	43.9	77.1
April	77.5	103.7	39.2	82.3
May	72.9	90.1	35.1	75.9
June	68.6	75.1	31.5	69.1
July	66.8	79.1	32.0	68.6
August	66.0	77.1	33.1	67.8
September	62.6	67.8	32.1	63.1
October	60.7	58.4	29.4	59.5
November	64.4	68.6	32.3	64.6
December	59.0	62.4	27.6	59.0
1932				
January	60.1	62.5	26.5	59.7
February	57.5	61.2	22.2	57.3
March	57.6	63.4	21.4	57.8
April	52.6	56.5	18.3	52.4
Week ending Feb. 4th	58.6	62.6	23.6	58.4
" " " 11th	57.0	60.0	21.7	56.6
" " " 18th	57.6	61.6	21.9	57.5
" " " 25th	56.7	60.8	21.8	56.6
" " Mar. 3rd	56.1	60.0	20.4	55.9
" " " 10th	58.2	63.9	22.3	58.4
" " " 17th	58.7	67.9	21.9	59.6
" " " 24th	57.9	63.1	21.7	57.9
" " " 31st	57.3	62.1	20.9	57.2
" " Apr. 7th	55.6	59.6	20.0	55.3
" " " 14th	53.3	56.2	18.8	52.8
" " " 21st	51.3	56.3	18.2	51.3
" " " 28th	50.7	53.9	16.3	50.2

x Weekly figures.





## WEEKLY AVERAGE PRICES OF 20 MINING STOCKS

FEBRUARY TO APRIL 1932

	F E B R U A R Y				M A R C H				A P R I L				
	4th	11th	18th	25th	3rd	10th	17th	24th	31st	7th	14th	21st	28th
<u>Gold Group</u>													
Goniarum	.35	.35	.35	.35	.30	.30	.32	.30	.30	.28	.28	.28	.28
Dome	9.90	9.72	10.01	10.26	11.00	12.01	11.61	11.26	11.13	10.25	9.74	9.57	9.87
Hollinger	5.24	5.06	5.06	5.01	4.98	5.13	5.11	5.05	5.01	4.92	4.73	4.60	4.72
Kirkland Lake	.49	.45	.46	.45	.42	.44	.45	.42	.43	.39	.36	.35	.31
Lake Shore	28.74	28.34	28.71	28.17	27.76	28.84	28.72	28.95	28.99	28.42	27.41	26.49	26.32
Mc Intyre	18.05	17.61	17.34	17.03	16.96	17.43	17.73	17.52	16.94	16.50	16.19	16.12	15.90
Premier	.60	.57	.58	.59	.58	.59	.55	.45	.46	.45	.42	.41	.40
Sylvanite	.60	.55	.56	.54	.54	.56	.56	.53	.51	.50	.43	.45	.45
Teck-Hughes	4.55	4.35	4.48	4.36	4.28	4.42	4.78	4.65	4.52	4.38	4.15	3.83	3.49
Vipond Consolidated	.36	.32	.35	.34	.34	.31	.32	.33	.33	.31	.30	.29	.29
Wright-Hargreaves	2.78	2.74	2.77	2.71	2.59	2.69	2.72	2.66	2.63	2.53	2.38	2.29	2.30
<u>Gold-Copper Group</u>													
Amulet	.17	.16	.16	.15	.16	.15	.15	.12	.14	.12	.11	.11	.11
Hudson Bay	2.48	2.31	2.39	2.37	2.23	2.24	2.34	2.16	2.09	1.93	1.79	1.74	1.64
Noranda	16.34	15.85	16.45	16.21	16.16	17.53	18.77	17.46	17.31	16.74	15.89	16.06	15.48
Sherritt-Gordon	.61	.56	.50	.51	.50	.49	.49	.48	.43	.42	.38	.36	.32
<u>Silver and Miscellaneous</u>													
Castle-Tretheway	.13	.13	.13	.13	.13	.13	.12	.13	.13	.12	.12	.12	.12
Coniagas	.75	.75	.75	.75	.75	.80	.80	.80	.80	.80	.80	.80	.77
Keely	.23	.23	.23	.22	.15	.22	.20	.20	.20	.20	.21	.20	.21
Mining Corporation	1.21	1.02	1.07	1.08	1.04	1.10	1.08	1.03	1.02	1.00	.89	.84	.69
Nipissing	.98	.96	.93	.92	.87	.95	.97	1.00	.90	.80	.75	.75	.66





INDEX NUMBERS OF INTEREST RATES IN CANADA

1926=100

The index numbers of Interest Rates calculated from the yields of the most popular Ontario Bonds on the basis 1926=100 indicated an increase in April, being 111.3 as compared with 110.6 for March. The index is based on information received from Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company Limited, showing the yield on these bonds to be on a 5.33% basis for April.

Index Numbers of Interest Rates in Canada Calculated  
From Yields of Ontario Bonds, 1900-1932.

Base 1926=100

	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	
January	73.1	77.9	79.3	78.5	78.5	78.5	76.2	78.3	
April	74.1	78.5	79.3	78.5	78.5	75.2	76.2	81.4	
June	75.2	78.7	79.3	78.5	79.3	74.1	76.2	85.6	
October	77.2	78.7	79.3	78.5	79.3	75.2	76.8	87.7	
December	77.7	79.3	78.5	78.5	78.3	76.2	77.2	88.7	
	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	
January	88.7	82.5	81.4	83.5	83.5	88.7	91.9	88.7	
April	87.7	81.4	82.5	81.0	85.6	89.8	90.8	91.9	
June	86.6	80.4	82.5	81.0	86.6	90.8	88.7	93.9	
October	85.6	80.4	82.5	81.4	87.7	91.9	88.7	104.4	
December	83.5	81.4	83.5	83.5	88.7	91.9	88.7	109.6	
	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	
January	109.6	100.2	125.3	121.1	120.0	125.3	116.9	112.7	
April	110.6	109.6	125.3	116.9	121.1	125.3	112.7	107.5	
June	109.6	114.8	126.3	112.7	125.3	126.3	112.7	107.5	
October	104.4	123.2	125.3	116.9	129.4	126.3	111.7	107.9	
December	102.3	125.3	125.3	120.0	128.4	119.4	113.2	107.3	
	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932
January	106.5	99.2	100.2	97.1	89.8	97.1	102.3	95.0	119.8
February	106.1	100.2	100.2	97.1	87.7	98.1	102.3	95.0	115.9
March	106.1	100.2	100.2	96.0	88.7	101.3	101.3	92.9	110.6
April	106.1	100.2	100.2	95.2	88.7	103.3	101.3	92.9	111.3
May	106.1	99.2	100.2	95.0	90.8	104.4	101.3	91.9	
June	105.8	99.2	100.2	95.0	91.9	103.3	100.8	91.9	
July	103.5	99.2	100.2	95.0	93.9	103.3	100.2	92.9	
August	99.2	99.2	100.2	95.0	96.0	102.3	96.0	91.9	
September	99.2	99.2	100.2	95.0	96.0	104.4	92.9	97.1	
October	100.2	100.2	100.2	93.9	95.0	103.3	93.9	103.3	
November	99.2	100.2	99.2	93.3	95.0	103.3	93.9	105.4	
December	99.2	100.2	99.2	90.8	96.0	102.3	93.9	108.6	





MONTHLY AVERAGE EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS AT MONTREAL, 1932.

Note: The nominal closing quotations in Canadian funds upon which these averages are based, have been supplied by the Bank of Montreal.

		New York Funds Montreal par 100	London Sterling	France Francs	Belgium Belgas	Italy Lire	Switzerland Francs	Holland Guilders	Norway Kroner	Sweden Kroner	Denmark Kroner
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1932 -											
	March -										
	High	1.131	4.230	.0446	.1576	.0588	.2194	.4563	.2293	.2293	.2332
	Low	1.106	3.915	.0436	.1545	.0576	.2143	.4457	.2131	.2158	.2158
	Average	1.118	4.064	.0440	.1561	.0582	.2166	.4509	.2203	.2227	.2247
	Close	1.109	4.230	.0437	.1550	.0577	.2150	.4483	.2235	.2255	.2325
	April -										
	High	1.128	4.215	.0445	.1579	.0581	.2191	.4570	.2235	.2275	.2325
	Low	1.105	4.070	.0436	.1548	.0570	.2148	.4473	.2040	.2030	.2255
	Average	1.112	4.173	.0439	.1559	.0574	.2165	.4507	.2137	.2137	.2293
	Close	1.120	4.100	.0442	.1570	.0578	.2177	.4540	.2077	.2058	.2255
		Spain Pesetas	Czecho- slovakia Kroner	Argentine Pesos (Paper)	Australia (Pounds)	Brazil Milreis	Germany Reichsmarks	India Rupees	Hong Kong Dollars	Japan Yen	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1932 -											
	March -										
	High	.0879	.0336	.2912	3.380	.0734	.2689	.3229	.2910	.3785	
	Low	.0838	.0328	.2645	3.130	.0676	.2636	.2951	.2726	.3476	
	Average	.0854	.0332	.2875	3.244	.0723	.2661	.3101	.2795	.3633	
	Close	.0838	.0331	.2882	3.380	.0720	.2641	.3229	.2757	.3697	
	April -										
	High	.0884	.0334	.2925	3.370	.0812	.2679	.3276	.2744	.3702	
	Low	.0838	.0329	.2858	3.260	.0718	.2621	.3064	.2624	.3605	
	Average	.0859	.0331	.2890	3.332	.0764	.2643	.3220	.2666	.3668	
	Close	.0882	.0334	.2910	3.280	.0811	.2662	.3064	.2624	.3634	

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MONTHLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCKS PRICES, 1928-1931.

Issued by the Standard Statistics Company Inc. of New York  
1926=100

	Total 421 Stocks	Industrial 351 Stocks	Railroads 33 Stocks	Utilities 34 Stocks
<u>1928</u>				
January	134.4	137.4	125.3	129.5
February	132.3	134.8	121.6	130.9
March	137.9	141.1	125.9	134.4
April	145.9	149.5	130.7	142.5
May	152.1	154.9	133.2	155.3
June	145.3	148.2	126.7	148.1
July	144.2	147.8	124.6	145.3
August	148.3	152.6	126.5	147.9
September	156.6	162.2	129.6	155.8
October	159.1	166.2	128.2	154.5
November	171.1	178.9	134.9	168.6
December	171.4	178.4	134.9	173.4
<u>1929</u>				
January	185.2	192.5	141.8	192.7
February	186.5	192.3	141.6	202.4
March	189.1	196.0	140.4	203.7
April	186.6	193.4	138.3	201.4
May	187.8	192.6	138.7	212.3
June	190.7	191.0	144.8	233.0
July	207.3	202.7	160.0	272.8
August	218.1	210.3	165.4	304.3
September	225.2	216.1	168.1	321.0
October	201.7	194.4	157.0	276.6
November	151.1	144.8	135.1	194.4
December	153.8	146.9	136.3	200.9
<u>1930</u>				
January	156.3	148.8	136.5	208.7
February	165.5	155.9	142.5	230.6
March	172.4	163.0	143.2	242.1
April	181.0	170.8	141.7	263.7
May	170.5	160.1	136.0	250.0
June	152.8	143.1	124.5	223.5
July	149.3	139.8	124.2	215.4
August	147.6	138.7	121.2	212.7
September	148.8	139.3	122.6	216.4
October	127.6	117.8	110.9	187.0
November	116.7	108.5	102.1	167.4
December	109.4	101.9	93.5	157.9
<u>1931</u>				
January	112.3	103.4	100.4	163.4
February	119.8	110.3	104.7	177.9
March	121.6	111.8	97.2	188.9
April	109.2	100.3	87.3	169.8
May	98.0	89.4	76.8	156.4
June	95.1	86.5	74.0	153.0
July	98.2	89.8	75.3	157.5
August	95.5	88.5	66.2	154.0
September	81.7	75.8	56.1	131.9
October	69.7	64.8	48.4	111.9
November	71.7	67.5	46.0	114.7
December	57.7	54.3	33.0	95.6
<u>1932</u>				
January	58.0	54.4	36.6	94.4
February	56.5	52.9	34.2	92.8
March	56.8	53.8	32.1	93.4
April		Not available		





WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS, MARCH, 1932

WHOLESALE

Declines continued to dominate index numbers of wholesale prices in March, but losses tended to be slightly less than in February. It is of interest to note that indexes for several European countries were above their levels of a year ago.

A continuation of the advance in the French series of the Statistique Générale which began in January, was due in large part to the influence of higher prices for domestic goods, although the index for imported goods rose also.

The Board of Trade index for the United Kingdom was influenced more by declines within the groups for meats and fish, coal, non-ferrous metals, textiles, and miscellaneous items than by increases for cereals and other foods. An interesting comparison of recent sterling price movements with those in certain gold standard countries has been made by the Economist, basing percentages of change on prices obtaining just before sterling's departure from gold (September 21st, 1931). On April 6th, the sterling index was 105.1, Fisher's index for the United States was 90.6, the French index of the Statistique Generale was 97.0, and the Statistisches Reichsamt series for Germany was 90.6.

Higher vegetable product prices offset small decreases in most other commodity groups of the Federal Statistical Office index for Germany.

Practically all groups of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics index were lower in March, with more than average decreases occurring for textiles and hides and leather products.

Comparative Wholesale Prices Data for March, 1932,  
February, 1932, and March, 1931.

Country	March 1932	Feb. 1932	March 1931	March 1932 /or-p.c. compared with		Index
				Feb. 1932	March 1931	
Austria	113	112	107	+ 0.9	+ 5.6	Federal Statistical Office, Jan.-July, 1914=100.
Belgium	548	554	660	- 1.1	-17.0	Ministry of Industry and Labour, April, 1914=100.
Canada	69.1	69.2	75.1	- 0.1	- 8.0	Dom. Bureau of Statistics, 1926=100
Denmark	117	119	116	- 1.7	+ 0.9	Official, 1913=100
Estonia	86	85	93	- 1.2	- 7.5	Official, 1913=100
Finland	92	93	86	- 1.1	+ 7.0	Official, 1926=100
France	418.2	412.3	481.7	+ 1.4	-13.2	Statistique Générale, 1913=100
Germany	99.8	99.8	113.9	unchanged	-12.4	Federal Statistical Office, 1913=100
Holland	82	83	103	- 1.2	-20.4	Central Bureau of Statistics, 1913=100
Hungary	99	99	94	unchanged	+ 5.3	Official, 1913=100
Italy	322	323	356	- 0.3	- 9.6	Milan Chamber of Commerce, 1913=100
Norway	122	123	124	- 0.8	- 1.6	Official, 1913=100
Peru	164	163	178	+ 0.6	- 7.9	Official, 1913=100
Poland	64.0	64.6	72.5	- 0.9	-11.7	Commerce Reports, 1927=100
Sweden	109	110	113	- 0.9	- 3.5	Commerce Department, 1913=100
United Kingdom	104.6	105.3	105.9	- 0.7	- 1.2	Board of Trade, 1913=100
United States	66.0	66.3	76.0	- 0.5	-13.8	Bureau of Labor Statistics, 1926=100





WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS, MARCH, 1932.

COST OF LIVING

Movements in living cost indexes for March, while still generally downward, were less pronounced than in February.

Declines within the food groups accounted for the change in the Ministry of Labour index for the United Kingdom.

Foods were responsible for the small advance of the series for Germany, with heat and light, clothing, and miscellaneous items all registering small decreases. This was the first increase in the German cost of living index since June, 1931. It was 137.8 in that month as compared with 122.4 in March 1932.

All groups of the National Industrial Conference Board index for the United States scored small declines.

Sharp decreases occurred in the food, fuel, clothing, and miscellaneous sections of the Tokio index.

Comparative Cost of Living Data for March, 1932,  
February, 1932 and March, 1931.

Country	March 1932	Feb. 1932	March 1931	March 1932/or-p.c. compared with		Index
				Feb. 1932	March 1931	
Austria	108	108	105	unchanged	+ 2.9	Cost of Living, Vienna, July, 1914=100
Canada	84.3	84.5	92.2	- 0.2	- 8.6	Dominion Bureau of Statistics, 1926=100
Czecho-Slovakia	103.5	100.5	103.9	+ 3.0	- 0.4	Cost of Living, Prague, July, 1914=100
Finland	136	136	138	unchanged	- 1.4	Cost of Living - 21 Towns, Jan.-June, 1914=100
France	564	565	647	- 0.2	- 12.8	13 Articles, 11 Foods, Paris, July, 1914=100
Germany	122.4	122.3	137.7	+ 0.1	- 11.1	Cost of Living, 72 Towns, Oct. 1913-July 1914=100
Hungary	98	98	100	unchanged	- 2.0	Cost of Living, Budapest, 1913=100
Italy	130	128	135	+ 1.6	- 3.7	Cost of Living, Milan, Jan.-June 30, 1914=100
Japan	136	139	139	- 2.2	- 2.2	Cost of Living, Tokio, July, 1914=100
Norway	150	150	155	unchanged	- 3.2	Cost of Living, July, 1914=100
Poland	79.6	80.5	87.8	- 1.1	- 9.3	Cost of Living, Warsaw, 1927=100
Spain	195	199	194	- 2.0	+ 0.5	Cost of Living, Madrid, 1914=100
Sweden	125	127	133	- 1.6	- 6.0	44 Foods, 49 Towns, July, 1914=100
United Kingdom	146	147	150	- 0.7	- 2.7	Ministry of Labour, July, 1914=100
United States	79.6	80.1	89.1	- 0.6	- 10.7	National Industrial Conference Board, 1923=100





# INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

C A N A D A												U N I T E D   S T A T E S			
Authority	General Index		Dominion Bureau of Statistics				Irving Fisher		Bureau of Labor Statistics	Bradstreet	Dun	Annalist			
			Con- sumers' Goods	Pro- ducers' Goods	Raw and Partly Mfd. Goods	Fully and Chiefly Mfd. Goods									
No. of Commodities	502	236	204	351	232	276	200		550	106		200	72 Series		
Base	1926	1913	1926	1926	1926	1926	1913	1926	1926		1913		1913		
1913	64.0	100	61.9	67.4			100	66.2	69.8	9.2115	100	120.887	100		
1914	65.5	102.3	62.7	69.7	61.6	67.4		65.0	68.1	8.9034	97	122.211	101		
1918	127.4	199.0	107.4	131.5	103.8	123.2		128.7	131.3	18.7117	203	229.220	190		
1919	133.9	209.2	118.7	139.0	105.3	121.7		138.7	138.6	18.6642	203	230.846	190		
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	125.2	142.6		142.3	154.4	18.8095	204	248.721	205		
1921	110.0	171.8	108.0	112.8	111.5	123.3		97.3	97.6	11.3696	123	170.451	141		
1922	97.3	152.0	95.1	99.1	103.4	108.8		98.6	96.7	12.1185	132	171.660	144		
1923	98.0	153.0	93.7	97.8	105.5	107.5	158	101.1	100.6	13.4028	146	189.787	157		
1924	99.4	155.2	93.2	99.5	101.7	107.0	149	98.9	98.1	12.8672	139	189.322	157		
1925	102.6	160.3	97.2	104.9	101.8	101.6	159	105.2	103.5	13.9445	151	197.694	164		
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	151	100.0	(b) 100.0	13.0207	141	189.398	157		
1927	97.6	152.5	95.9	98.5	100.0	96.6	142	94.2	95.4	12.7787	139	187.092	155		
1928	96.4	150.6	95.7	96.6	97.5	95.0	149	97.9	96.7	13.2823	144	194.521	161		
1929	95.6	149.3	94.7	96.3	97.4	93.0	145	96.3	95.3	12.6727	130	191.043	158		
1930	86.6	135.2	89.3	82.8	82.2	87.3	130	86.3	86.4	10.7451	117	174.453	144		
1931	72.2	112.8	76.5	67.8	61.9	74.9	108	71.4	73.0	8.7604	95	(a)	(a)		
1931										(a)	(a)				
April	74.5	116.4	78.3	69.4	64.5	77.1	112	74.4	74.8	9.2291	101	152.525	126	106.1	
May	73.0	114.0	76.7	68.6	63.4	74.7	108	71.4	73.2	8.9134	97	149.419	124	102.9	
June	72.2	112.8	76.2	68.2	61.9	74.2	106	70.1	72.1	8.6416	94	145.885	121	101.1	
July	71.7	112.0	76.0	67.4	60.8	74.3	105	69.8	72.0	8.7756	95	146.591	121	101.9	
August	70.9	110.7	75.7	66.3	59.9	73.6	105	69.3	72.1	8.7927	95	145.598	121	101.7	
September	70.0	109.3	75.2	64.9	58.7	72.7	104	68.7	71.2	8.4904	92	141.724	117	100.5	
October	70.4	110.0	74.9	66.0	60.3	72.4	103	68.3	70.3	8.2962	90	136.416	113	100.5	
November	70.6	110.3	74.3	67.8	60.8	73.0	103	68.3	70.2	8.0877	88	140.369	116	102.0	
December	70.3	109.8	74.0	67.4	59.5	72.9	101	67.0	68.6	7.9123	86	140.401	116	97.6	
1932															
January	69.4	108.4	73.3	66.5	58.6	71.8	98	65.0	67.3	7.7325	84	140.681	116	94.0	
February	69.2	108.1	73.1	66.4	58.5	71.2	96	63.8	66.3	7.5243	82	140.344	116	92.3	
March	69.1	107.9	72.9	65.9	57.5	71.9	95	63.1	66.0	7.3186	79	139.533	115	91.1	
April	68.4	106.8	71.8	65.6	56.5	71.6	94	62.3		7.1515	78	138.316	114		

(a) First of Month. (b) Revised from 1926.

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# INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

COUNTRY	SOUTH AMERICA			EUROPE					FRANCE		GERMANY
	ARGENTINA	CHILE	PERU	UNITED KINGDOM				Statistique	Statistique	Federal Statistical	
Authority	Banco de la	OFFICIAL	OFFICIAL	Board of	Economist	Statist	Times	Générale	Générale	Office	
No. of	Nación			Trade							
Commodities				150	58	45	60	45	45	400	
Base Period	1926	1913	1913	1913	1913 1927	1866-77	1913	July, 1914	1913	1913	
Date											
1913		100	100	100	100	100 (a)	100		100	100	
1914								100 July	102.0	106	
1918			212			226.5			339.2	217	
1919			220			241.9			356.2	425	
1920			239	307.3		295.3	328	506	509.4	1486	
1921			205	197.2		182.4	189	337	345.0	1911	
1922			190	158.8		154.1	158	332	326.6	34182	
1923			189	158.9	(e)	151.8	162	431	418.9	x16620	
1924			192	166.2	158.9 115.5	161.0	171	499	488.5	137.3 (c)	
1925			202	159.1	155.1 112.7	159.5	161	561	549.8	141.8	
1926	100.0		203	148.1	143.4 104.2	149.9	150	718	702.6	134.4	
1927	98.1		203	141.6	137.8 100.1	144.4	143	630	617.2	137.6	
1928	98.5	192.5	192	140.3	135.1 98.2	141.9	141	634	619.6	140.0	
1929	96.4	192.4	186	136.5	127.6 92.7	134.7	134	623	610.4	137.2	
1930	92.2	165.8	178	119.5	108.1 78.6	114.2	115	543	535.5	124.6	
1931	89.0	152.3	175	104.1	89.8 65.2	98.0	98	464	454.8	110.9	
1931					(a)	(d)					
March	87.0	155.7	178	105.9	91.1 66.2	100.6	100.7	492	481.7	113.9	
April	86.3	159.1	178	105.7	90.0 65.4	99.3	99.2	494	483.7	113.7	
May	86.7	161.4	181	104.4	87.5 63.6	96.7	96.3	480	470.1	113.3	
June	86.6	158.6	179	103.2	87.5 63.6	97.2	97.2	477	467.1	112.3	
July	85.8	154.0	177	102.2	86.0 62.5	94.4	94.7	466	456.3	111.7	
August	86.2	150.1	174	99.5	85.7 62.3	93.1	98.6	455	445.6	110.2	
September	86.9	146.2	174	99.2	89.6 65.1	94.9	98.6	437	427.9	108.6	
October	96.4	140.8	170	104.4	90.1 65.5	96.8	99.6	423	414.2	107.1	
November	96.7	148.6	169	106.4	90.7 65.9	97.6	99.4	417	408.3	106.6	
December	93.5	150.9	169	105.9	90.6 65.8	100.5	99.5	413	404.4	103.7	
1932											
January		148.4	165	105.8	90.0 65.4	99.6	98.9	414	405.4	100.0	
February		154.2	163	105.3	92.2 67.0	102.0	100.0	421	412.3	99.8	
March			164	104.6	89.9 65.3	98.9		427	418.2	99.8	

(a) Converted to 1913 base. (c) New Series. (x) 000,000,000's omitted. (d) End of Month. (e) Revised from 1924.

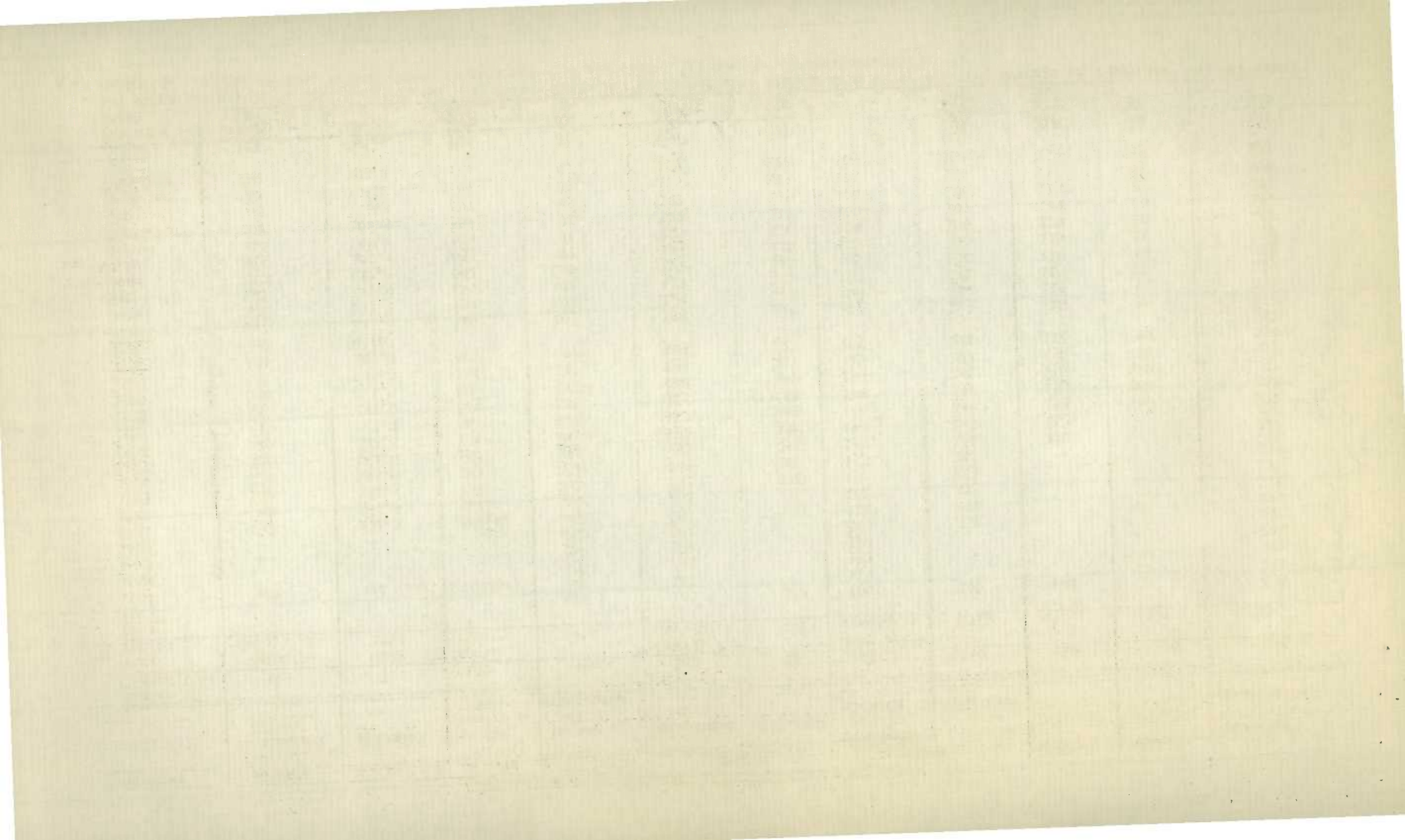




INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

COUNTRY	AUSTRIA	SWITZERLAND	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	NORWAY	SWEDEN	DENMARK	ALBANIA	SPAIN		
Authority	Federal Statistical Office	Official	Ministry of In- dustry & Labour	Central Bureau of Statistics	Okonomisk Revue	Official	Gotabergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Department	Official	Official	Director General of Statistics
Number of Commodities	47x	71	130	48	100	95	47	160	118	23	74
Base Period	January- July, 1914	July 1914	April 1914	1913	Dec.31/13- June30/14	1913	July 1/13- June30/14	1913	1913	1927	1913
Date											
1913				100	100	100	100	100			100
1914	100	100 July	100April	109	115		116				101
1918				376	345		339				207
1919				304	322		330				204
1920				292	382		347	359			221
1921	(a)	191.2	366(b)	182	298		211	222			190
1922	99	167.5	367	160	233		162	173			176
1923	124	180.5	497	151	233	232	157	163			172
1924	136	174.6	573	156	269	268	155	162			183
1925	136	161.6	558	155	251	253	157	161	210		188
1926	123	144.5	744	145	196	198	144	149	163		181
1927	133	142.2	847	148	160	167	141	146	153	100	172
1928	130	144.6	843	149	155	(f)157	144	148	153	104	168
1929	130	141.2	851	142	148	149	134	140	150	100	171
1930	117	126.5	744	117	138	137	115	122	130	88	172
1931	109	109.7	626	97	123	122	105	111	114	90	174
1931	(d)	(d)(e)									(d)
March	107	113.6	660	103	124	124	107	113	116	91	174
April	108	112.2	652	102	123	123	108	112	115	93	172
May	107	110.8	640	102	122	121	107	111	113	93	169
June	110	110.4	642	100	122	120	105	110	110	94	169
July	114	109.5	635	97	123	120	105	110	110	91	175
August	110	108.1	616	94	119	120	104	109	109	88	177
September	108	106.3	597	91	122	117	100	107	109	88	178
October	109	106.4	591	89	122	119	100	108	113	87	175
November	112	106.2	584	89	125	119	103	110	117	87	176
December	112	103.1	573	85	127	122	103	111	119	89	177
1932											
January	114	101.4	557	84	127	123		109	118	88	176
February	112	99.6	554	83	127	123		110	119	86	178
March	113		548	82		122		109	117		

(a) Since January 1925, Schilling Prices. (x) Prices Index No. of Commodities changed from 42 to 47. (b) Average of 5 Months. (d) Fifteenth of Month. (e) New Series, Federal Labour Department - 78 articles. (f) New Series beginning 1928.





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EUROPE										
COUNTRY	ITALY		FINLAND		POLAND	RUSSIA	ESTONIA	BULGARIA	HUNGARY	CZECHO-SLOVAKIA
AUTHORITY	Bachi	Milan Chamber of Commerce	Bank of Finland	Official	Commerce Reports	Official	Official	National Bank	Official	General Bureau of Statistics
No. of Commodities	138	125	Imports Exports	139		70			52	126
Base Period	1913	1913	1913	1926	1927	1913	1913	1914	1913	July 1914
Date	(b) (h)		(i) (i)		(a)	(h)		(d)	(h)	(h)
1913	100	100	100 100			100	100		100	
1914			106 103					100		100 July
1918			741 415							
1919			755 441							
1920			1387 1053							
1921	531	517(f)	1329 1213							
1922	508	529	1072 1180			96	113			1334
1923	512	536	915 1145			169	114		122	977
1924	512	554	958 1090			172	116	110	138	997
1925	596	646	1052 1111			183	124	125	140	1008
1926	603	654	984 1092	100(d)		177	114	114	124	954
1927	495	527	945 1092	101	100.0	171	114	116	132	979
1928	462	491	955 1092	102	101.0	177	121	126	135	977
1929	446	481	913 1060	98	95.7	182	117	131	121(g)	919
1930	383	411	750 993	90	82.3		102	106	96	118 (d)
1931	330	342	634 809	84	70.5		91	84	94	108
1931	(a)				(e)				(a)	(f)
March	339	356	745 839	86	72.5		93	86	94	110.5
April	337	353	722 830	85	74.1		94	86	93	110.3
May	332	347	701 832	84	74.8		93	86	95	108.7
June	327	339	685 835	83	73.2		93	84	93	112.1
July	324	337	674 836	82	70.3		93	85	95	107.8
August	322	331	664 834	81	69.0		92	82	92	105.1
September	319	330	646 825	79	67.0		90	80	96	104.6
October	322	330	633 816	82	66.3		88	79	97	104.3
November	320	329	626 809	87	68.2		86	81	99	103.8
December	319	326	634 809	92	66.4		85	79	99	102.3
1932										
January	317	326	776 821	94	63.9		85	78	98	101.4
February	314	323		93	64.6		85	77	99	101.4
March	315	322		92	64.0		86		99	

(a) End of month. (b) Revised Index. (c) New Series. (d) Gold index. (f) Average of eight months. (e) Average last week of month. (f) First of the following month. (g) Since January, 1929, new Index. (h) Average of thirteen months. (i) Monthly prices include previous months back to first of year.





# INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

	ASIA					OCEANIA			AFRICA	
COUNTRY	INDIA		CHINA		JAPAN	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA	NEW SOUTH WALES	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
AUTHORITY	Dept. of Statistics Calcutta	Labour Office Bombay	Ministry of Industries North China	National Tariff Commission Shanghai	Bank of Japan	Commonwealth Statistician Melbourne	Government Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Department of Statistics (Cairo)
No. of Commodities	75	43	100	155	56	92	100	180	188	23
Base Period	July 1914	July 1914	1926	1926	1913	1913	1913	1913	1913	Jan. 1, 1913 - July 31, 1914.
Date	(a)									
1913			67		100	100	100	1000	100	
1914	100	100	67		95.5	105.6	104.1	1041	96.9	100
1918	178	236	82		195.8	177.8	177.0	1685	153.1	211
1919	196	222	81		235.9	188.9	191.4	1761	164.8	231
1920	201	226	89		259.4	279.9	229.2	2067	223.3	316
1921	178	199	89	(e)104.6	200.4	174.9	179.1	1919	160.4	173
1922	176	187	87	98.6	195.8	161.6	164.8	1645	128.4	146
1923	172	181	90	102.0	199.1	178.7	176.3	1575	126.6	132
1924	173	182	93	97.9	206.5	173.3	171.6	1648	128.7	143
1925	159	163	97	99.3	201.7	169.5	170.1	1609	127.6	152
1926	148	149	100	100.0	178.9	168.4	167.9	1536	123.3	132
1927	148	147	103	104.4	169.8	167.0	168.6	1461	124.2	121
1928	145	146	108	101.7	170.9	164.7	163.4	1474	120.7	120
1929	141	145	111	104.5	166.2	165.7	170.6	1471	115.1	115
1930	116	126	116	114.8	137.0	146.8	154.3	1432	102.6	103
1931	96	109	123	126.4	115.6	131.3	142.2	1332	99.5	96
1931	(b)							(c)		
March	100	111	124	126.1	119.6	133.8	143.4	1358		105
April	98	110	125	126.2	119.3	133.0	144.3	1343	99.1	100
May	97	106	125	127.5	116.4	132.4	143.1	1327		97
June	97	108	125	129.2	113.9	131.0	142.1	1321		97
July	93	108	123	127.4	115.5	131.3	142.2	1306	98.1	94
August	92	107	124	130.3	114.7	128.6	140.8	1310		92
September	91	107	124	129.2	113.1	127.8	141.2	1310		91
October	96	107	123	126.9	111.0	128.9	141.0	1314	98.6	95
November	97	107	120	124.8	111.1	131.3	143.5	1312		92
December	98	111	119	121.8	114.1	131.0	143.1	1319		91
1932										
January	97	114	118	119.9	120.6	130.0		1320	96.3	89
February	97		120		122.0			1306		91
March										

(a) Average of thirteen months. (b) End of Month. (c) Fifteen of Month. (e) Indexes prior to 1926 converted to new base.





INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

COUNTRY	C A N A D A		UNITED STATES		GREAT BRITAIN		IRISH FREE STATE		F R A N C E		
Nature of Index	Dominion Bureau of Statistics		Foods Bureau of Labor Statistics	National Industrial Conference Board Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Foods Cities of more than 10,000 inhabitants	13 Articles 11 Foods Paris	Cost of Living
	Foods	General Retail Index (Foods, fuel, clothing, rent, sundries)									
Base Period	1926	1926	1913	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	1st Half of 1914
Date	(c)	(c)					(f)	(f)			
1913											
1914	68.9	66.0	102.4	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100
1918	114.6	97.4	168.3	152.2 "	218	210			245 Aug.	206 "	
1919	122.5	107.2	185.9	172.2 "	217	215			290 "	261 "	238(a)
1920	141.1	124.2	203.4	204.5 "	262	255			390 "	373 "	341
1921	107.9	109.2	153.3	163.1 "	226	222			352 "	306 "	307
1922	91.4	100.0	141.6	155.6 "	175	181	191	188	313 "	297 "	302 June
1923	92.1	100.0	146.2	161.9 "	165	171	188	184	351 "	321 "	334 "
1924	90.7	98.0	145.9	161.7 "	164	171	190	186	401 "	360 "	336 "
1925	94.7	99.3	157.4	168.7 "	168	173	193	190	451 "	221 "	390 "
1926	100.0	100.0	160.6	166.0 "	161	170	179	185	610 "	514 "	485 "
1927	98.1	98.5	155.4	162.2 "	156	164	170	175	553 "	557 "	525 "
1928	98.6	98.9	154.3	161.9 "	156	165	169	174	109 "(b)	111 "(b)	105 "(b)"
1929	101.0	100.0	156.7	161.4 "	153	163	169	176	118 "	143 "	113 "
1930	98.6	99.2	144.0	152.4 "	144	157	160	171	127 "	122 "	116 "
1931	77.3	89.6			130	141	147	161	124 "	124 "	
1931			(d)	(d)	(e)	(e)					
April	80.5	91.6	84.9	88.2	129	147				641 130	
May	77.7	90.2	82.8	86.9	129	147	139	156	629 128	634 129	
June	75.0	88.7	81.0	85.9	127	145				632 128	589 120
July	74.7	88.6	81.5	85.9	130	147				615 125	
August	75.5	88.9	81.9	85.9	128	145	143	157	611 124	595 121	
September	73.5	87.8	81.7	85.6	128	145				588 119	565 115
October	71.4	86.4	81.5	84.9	128	145				571 116	
November	71.5	86.4	79.9	83.9	130	148	155	165	565 115	555 113	
December	71.2	85.9	78.2	83.1	132	148				557 113	531
1932											
January	69.6	85.4	74.8	81.4	131	147				561 114	
February	66.5	84.5	72.1	80.1	131	147				565 115	
March	66.0	84.3	71.9	79.6	129	146				564	
April	65.4	84.1									

(a) First half of year. (b) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (c) Recalculated on 1926 base. (d) New index, 1923=100. (e) First of month. (f) Fifteenth of Month.





INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

COUNTRY	GERMANY		BELGIUM		POLAND		CZECHO-SLOVAKIA		HUNGARY		BULGARIA		ROUMANIA
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 72 Towns	Food 72 Towns	Cost of Living 59 Localities	Foods 59 Localities	Cost of Living Warsaw	Food Warsaw	Cost of Living Prague	Food Prague	Cost of Living Budapest	Food Budapest	Cost of Living 65 Towns	Food 65 Towns	Cost of Living 71 Towns
Base Period	Oct. 1913- July 1914	Oct. 1913- July 1914	1921	1921	1927	1927	July, 1914	July, 1914	1913	1913	1914	1914	1914
Date					(c)	(c)	(d)	(d)	(i)	(i)	(d) (h)	(d) (h)	(d) (g)
1913													
1914	100	100					100 July	100 July	100	100	100	100	100
1918													
1919											1.234	1.124	
1920	1065										1.858	1.610	
1921	1250		100	100							1.919	1.702	1.305
1922	5392		93	90							2.619	2.257	1.633
1923	3765100		109	106			(f) 692	918			2.477	2.335	2.400
1924	(a) 126	(a) 131.6	128	127			695	850	100(j)	145(j)	2.833	2.650	2.660
1925	143.3	153.8	136	137			724	894	112	132	3.014	2.951	3.180
1926	142.4	145.3	165	171			716	866	103	115	2.886	2.760	3.390
1927	150.0	156.8	203	208	100.0	100.0	747	922	100	126	2.788	2.692	3.900
1928	152.6	154.1	208	207	100.5	98.0	748	917	118	131	2.911	2.819	4.086
1929	154.4	155.7	220	218	101.9	95.1	744	899	119	127	122.7	119.7	131.4
1930	149.3	145.9	228	209	94.9	82.0	(c) 109.0	(c) 114.3	106	105	106.6	98.3	130.7
1931	135.9	127.6	204	176	86.3	72.4	104.5	104.6	101	96	81.4	80.9	93.1
1931			(k)		(b)	(b)	(e)	(e)	(b)				
March	137.7	129.6	209	183	87.8	73.5	103.9	102.2	100	96	82.5	81.6	98.7
April	137.2	129.2	207	180	89.4	76.4	105.3	104.5	100	96	80.7	80.0	95.4
May	137.3	129.9	205	177	89.4	77.2	105.6	106.3	100	97	81.4	81.0	95.4
June	137.8	130.9	205	177	88.4	75.9	106.8	109.2	100	97	81.3	80.8	94.0
July	137.4	130.4	203	175	86.3	72.9	106.6	107.9	102	99	81.6	81.0	92.1
August	134.9	126.1	201	172	84.5	70.8	103.7	102.2	102	100	79.3	78.1	91.1
September	134.0	124.9	201	173	84.2	70.3	104.6	104.3	103	100	76.2	77.3	89.4
October	133.1	123.4	200	170	82.8	68.3	103.5	103.1	102	97	78.4	77.6	88.4
November	131.9	121.8	198	168	83.7	69.6	101.8	99.6	100	94	81.1	80.7	87.3
December	130.4	119.9	193	161	83.3	69.1	101.6	99.1	100	93	80.3	79.8	86.1
1932													
January	124.5	116.1	190	157	80.4	65.0	101.7	106.4	99	92	77.7	77.1	84.4
February	122.3	113.9	186	151	80.5	65.2	100.5	105.8	98	90	76.4	75.7	82.4
March	122.4	114.4			79.6	64.5	103.5	106.1	98	90			

(a) Gold mark prices. (b) Last week of month. (c) New series. (d) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (e) Middle week of month.  
 (f) Average of seven months. (g) Excluding rent and clothing. (h) Yearly figures: 65 towns excluding rent. Monthly figures: 12 towns excluding rent and clothing. (i) Gold Index. (j) December. (k) Fifteenth of month.





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COUNTRY	S P A I N		I T A L Y		S W I T Z E R L A N D		A U S T R I A		E G Y P T		S O U T H A F R I C A	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living Madrid	Food Madrid	Cost of Living Milan	Food Milan	Cost of Living 34 Towns	Food 34 Towns	Cost of Living Vienna	Food Vienna	Cost of Living Cairo	Food Cairo	Cost of Living 9 Towns	Food 9 Towns
Base Period	1914	1914	Jan.-June 30, 1914	Jan.-June 30, 1914	June, 1914	June, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	Jan. - July 1913 -- 1914	July, 1914	1914	1914
Date												
1913												
1914	100	100	100	100	100 (h)	100(h)	100(i)	(i) 100	100	100 (i)	100	100
1918	154		286		204	223	1162				131	
1919	174		280		222	244	2490				145	
1920	190		441		224	242	5100				179	
1921	189		494	559	200	213	9972	(c) 57900	196	210	162	145
1922	181		488	515	164	163	263700	328236	176	180	135	119
1923	177		487	499	164	166	(a) 76	1291100	162	155	131	117
1924	184		512	528	169	172	86	1436200	161	155	133	120
1925	189		598	622	168	169	97		165	165	133	120
1926	187		649	655	162	159	103	(b) 115	160	158	131	118
1927	189		658 (e)	559 (e)	160	158	106	122	153	149	131	118
1928	176	176	143 (f)	141 (f)	161	157	108	119	152	144	131	117
1929	181	181	148	148	161	156	112	123	151	141	131	115
1930	187	192	145	142	158	152	112	119	148	133	128	110
1931	196		132	123	150	141	106	108	137		123	105
1931	(d)	(d)			(g)	(g)						
March	194	203	135	127	153	144	105	105	142	124	124	107
April	190	196	135	127	151	142	104	104	140	123	124	107
May	190	200	134	125	150	141	104	104	138	119	125	108
June	189	200	133	125	150	140	106	108	135	118	123	106
July	193	200	132	123	150	139	107	110	134	116	123	104
August	195	203	131	121	149	139	107	109	135	116	122	103
September	199	207	130	120	149	139	107	109	136	117	122	102
October	200	210	129	119	148	138	108	111	137	117	122	103
November	203	213	129	119	147	137	108	110	136		122	102
December	205	215	129	119	145	134	108	110	136		121	100
1932												
January	199		128	118	144	132	109	111	138		120	99
February	199		128	118	142	129	108	110	136		120	99
March	195		130	122			108	109				

(a) Gold Index, since 1926 new series. (b) Since 1926 new index. (c) December. (d) Fifteenth of Month. (e) Since 1927, new series.  
 (f) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (g) Last week of Month. (h) June. (i) July.  
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COUNTRY	N O R W A Y		S W E D E N		D E N M A R K		H O L L A N D		F I N L A N D		E S T O N I A	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living	Food 31 Towns	Cost of Living	51 Articles (44 Foods 49 Towns)	Cost of Living 100 Localities	Food	Cost of Living Amsterdam	Food 10 Towns	Cost of Living 21 Towns Jan.-June	Food 21 Towns Jan.-June	Cost of Living Tallinn	Food Tallinn
Base Period	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	1911-13	1921-25	1914	1914	1913	1913
Date									(f)	(f)	100	100
1913									100	100		
1914	100 (g)	100 (g)	100(g)	100 (g)	100 (g)	(g)			588(e)			
1918	253	271	219	261					9964			
1919	275	290	257	210					931	1.013		
1920	296	319	270	297					1.214	1.323	85(g)	104(g)
1921	275	292	236	232	225	217	202		1.142	1.144	91(g)	98(g)
1922	230	233	190	179	199	182	182	102	1.111	1.002	102(g)	115(g)
1923	218	218	174	160	207	191	174	93	1.154	1.052	94(g)	106(g)
1924	238	248	171	159	218	208	177	94	1.218	1.145	107	118
1925	246	260	176	169	207	194	179	95	154	144	106	118
1926	205	198	172	156	183	158	168(c)	91	157	144	105	112
1927	187	175	169	151	177	152	168	89	161	151	112	120
1928	176(a)	173(a)	172	157	174	150	169	91	160	146	117	126
1929	166	158	169	151	172	148	168	90	147	126	104	103
1930	161	152	164	140	164	134	161	83	135	113	100	90
1931	153	139	159	130	156	121	151	74				
1931			(b)		(b)	(b)	(d)					
March	155	143	160	133	157	123	154	75	138	115	98	96
April	154	141		132				74	137	114	98	96
May	153	139		130				74	135	111	106(h)	95(h)
June	151	138	158	127	154	119	154	74	133	110	104	93
July	152	140		130				74	133	110	105	94
August	152	138		129				74	135	114	103	91
September	150	136	158	130	154	120	151	73	132	110	100	87
October	150	136		129				73	132	111	97	83
November	150	136		129				71	135	116	96	82
December	150	136	157	129	154	117	145	70	137	120	95	80
1932												
January	150	135		127				68	137	120	95	81
February	150	135		127				67	136	119	96	81
March	150	135		125					136	119		

(a) Since 1928, new series. (b) First of following month. (c) Since March, 1926, new series. (d) End of Month. (e) January. (f) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (g) July. (h) Revised from May, 1931.  
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COUNTRY	A U S T R A L I A		N E W   Z E A L A N D		J A P A N		C H I N A		P E R U		C H I L E	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 30 Towns	Food and Groceries 30 Towns	Cost of Living 25 Towns	Food (25 Towns)	Cost of Living Tokio	Food Tokio	Cost of Living Shanghai	Food Shanghai	Cost of Living Lima	Food Lima	Cost of Living Santiago	Food Santiago
Base Period	Nov., 1914	July, 1914	1926-1930	1926-1930	July, 1914	July, 1914	1926	1926	1913	1913	March, 1928	March, 1928
Date	(d)	(e)										
1913									100	100		
1914	100	100 (f)			100(f)	100(f)						
1918		132										
1919		141										
1920		165							210	208		
1921	147.4(a)	161	103.4						199	183		
1922	140.3(a)	146	95.2		236	257			190	174		
1923	145.0	162	95.9		221	228			180	166		
1924	142.6	149	98.4		221	233			187	168		
1925	144.2	155	100.4		218	236			200	179		
1926	146.3	162	101.0	102.6	199	217	100.0	100.0	201	182		
1927	145.1	153	100.1	98.3	189	211	106.7	106.7	194	177		
1928	146.0	154	100.6	100.4	184	202	102.5	92.1	181	161	107	116
1929	149.3	160	100.4	101.3	181	203	107.9	98.4	177	159	109	119
1930	141.3	149	98.1	97.4	153	169	121.8	118.8	169	157	109	119
1931		128	90.7	84.4	136	151	125.9	107.4	158	147	105	105
1931			(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)			(b)	(b)		
March	131.1	131		85.6	139	153	132.2	117.4	159	144	103	100
April		131		85.1	140	154	121.3	98.7	160	145	106	107
May		129	91.3	84.7	138	154	120.3	98.7	160	149	105	106
June	128.0	128		83.9	134	148	121.0	99.6	160	150	107	110
July		125		82.4	134	149	119.2	96.4	160	151	105	101
August		124	89.1	82.0	134	150	130.9	116.5	160	151	105	106
September	124.5	124		81.2	134	151	135.3	124.4	155	147	103	103
October		124		83.4	130	145	127.3	110.0	153	146	109	115
November		125	89.2	83.2	130	147	125.2	103.2	153	146	107	111
December		124		83.5	135	156	121.2	97.0	153	145	100	96
1932												
January		125		82.7	139	164	122.8	98.2	152	143	99	94
February		128		81.0	139	162			151	142	99	94
March					136	157						

(a) November. (b) Fifteenth of Month. (c) New series. (d) Base 1923-27=100 converted into November, 1914=100. (e) Base 1923-27=100 converted into July, 1914=100. (f) July, 1914=100.





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COUNTRY	PERU		JAPAN		CHINA		ESTONIA		CZECHO-SLOVAKIA		IRISH FREE STATE	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living Lima	Food Lima	Cost of Living Tokio	Food Tokio	Cost of Living Shanghai	Food Shanghai	Cost of Living Tallinn	Food Reval Tallinn	Cost of Living Prague	Food Prague	Cost of Living 105 Towns and Localities	Food
Base Period	1913	1913	July, 1914	July, 1914	1926	1926	1913	1913	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914
Date			(c)	(c)					(d) (e)	(d) (e)	(c)	(c)
1913	100	100					100	100				
1914			100	100					100	100	100	100
1918												
1919												
1920	210	208										
1921	199	183					(a) 85	(a) 104				
1922	190	174	236	257			(a) 91	(a) 98			188	191
1923	180	166	221	228			(a) 102	(a) 115	(f) 692	918	184	188
1924	187	168	221	233			(a) 94	(a) 106	695	850	186	190
1925	200	179	218	236			107	118	724	894	190	193
1926	201	182	199	217	100.0	100.0	106	118	716	866	185	179
1927	194	177	189	211	106.7	106.7	105	112	747	922	175	170
1928	181	161	184	202	102.5	92.1	112	120	748	917	174	169
1929	177	159	181	203	107.9	98.4	117	126	744	899	176	169
1930	169	157	153	169	121.8	118.8	104	103	(g) 109.0	(g) 114.3	171	160
1931	158	147	136	151	125.9	107.4	100	91	104.5	104.6	161	147
1931												
February	160	145	139	154	136.0	122.0	98	96	104.6	103.8	164	151
March	159	144	139	153	132.2	117.4	98	96	103.9	102.2		
April	160	145	140	154	121.3	98.7	98	96	105.3	104.5		
May	160	149	138	154	120.3	98.7	(b) 106	(b) 95	105.6	106.3	156	139
June	160	150	134	148	121.0	99.6	104	93	106.8	109.2		
July	160	151	134	149	119.2	96.4	105	94	106.6	107.9		
August	160	151	134	150	130.9	116.5	103	91	103.7	102.2	157	143
September	155	147	134	151	135.3	124.4	100	87	104.6	104.3		
October	153	146	130	145	127.3	110.0	97	83	103.5	103.1		
November	153	146	130	147	125.2	103.2	96	82	101.8	99.6	165	155
December	153	145	135	156	121.2	97.0	95	80	101.6	99.1		
1932												
January	152	143	139	164	122.8	98.2	96	81	101.7	106.4		
February			139	162								

(a) July. (b) Revised from May, 1931. (c) 15th of Month. (d) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (e) Middle week of month.  
(f) Average of seven months. (g) Since 1930, new series. (g) Since 1930, new series.





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COUNTRY	A U S T R A L I A		N E W Z E A L A N D		J A P A N		C H I N A		P E R U		C H I L E	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 30 Towns	Food and Groceries 30 Towns	Cost of Living 25 Towns	Food (25 Towns)	Cost of Living Tokio	Food Tokio	Cost of Living Shanghai	Food Shanghai	Cost of Living Lima	Food Lima	Cost of Living Santiago	Food Santiago
Base Period	Nov., 1914	July, 1914	1926-1930	1926-1930	July, 1914	July, 1914	1926	1926	1913	1913	March, 1928	March, 1928
Date	(d)	(e)										
1913									100	100		
1914	100	100 (f)			100(f)	100(f)						
1918		132										
1919		147										
1920		187							210	208		
1921	147.4(a)	165	103.4						199	183		
1922	140.8(a)	146	95.2		236	257			190	174		
1923	145.0	162	95.9		221	228			180	166		
1924	142.6	149	98.4		221	233			187	168		
1925	144.2	155	100.4		218	236			200	179		
1926	146.3	162	101.0	102.6	199	217	100.0	100.0	201	182		
1927	145.1	153	100.1	98.3	189	211	106.7	106.7	194	177		
1928	146.0	154	100.6	100.4	184	202	102.5	92.1	181	161	107	116
1929	149.3	160	100.4	101.3	181	203	107.9	98.4	177	159	109	119
1930	141.3	149	98.1	97.4	153	169	121.8	118.8	169	157	109	119
1931		128	90.7	84.4	136	151	125.9	107.4	158	147	105	105
1931			(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)			(b)	(b)		
March	131.1	131		85.6	139	153	132.2	117.4	159	144	103	100
April		131		85.1	140	154	121.3	98.7	160	145	106	107
May		129	91.3	84.7	138	154	120.3	98.7	160	149	105	106
June	128.0	128		83.9	134	148	121.0	99.6	160	150	107	110
July		125		82.4	134	149	119.2	96.4	160	151	105	101
August		124	89.1	82.0	134	150	130.9	116.5	160	151	105	106
September	124.5	124		81.2	134	151	135.3	124.4	155	147	103	103
October		124		83.4	130	145	127.3	110.0	153	146	109	115
November		125	89.2	83.2	130	147	125.2	103.2	153	146	107	111
December		124		83.5	135	156	121.2	97.0	153	145	100	96
1932												
January		125		82.7	139	164	122.8	98.2	152	143	99	94
February		128		81.0	139	162			151	142	99	94
March					136	157						

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