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Nine Iominicr burcau of Staistics index number of wholesale prices, on the base 2926.100 , decined fmon 65.4 in 6 mil. to 67.7 in May. 65 quotations were higher, 107 were jower, whise 330 remoined unchanget.

Vegutah? e producis moved down from 57.1 to 56.7 reacting to lower quotations for barley, curn, ILax, rye, bran ain shorts, which outweighed increases for oats, wineat, ILour, otraeai, and roliod oats. Aririsis and Their Products dropped from 60, 2 co 58.1, price reductjuns for hides. leather, steers, calves, hogs, butter, and eggs, influencing the inder more than advances for cannec salmon, lambs, and fresh meats. Mibres, Textiles, and Texile Exocucts fell from 71.i to 70.3, due chiefly to lower quotations for raw cotton, jute, silk, airi wcol. Wood, Wood Products and Paper dropped Irom 740 to 73 , 4 own fincipaly to rovece prices for pine lath, soft maple, oak, birch and fir Iumber. Ewon and wts joducis remained unchanged at 86.5 , although minor adivamces were vejorted fon stcel tarir Nlates ani antomobile body plates. NonPertous Metais and Mean ?oucts declired from 58.5 to 57.2 , lower quotations for atimony, coner, lead and zine more than fisetting gains for tin. Non-Metallic Minerals and who: Produrte chzigea form 86.0 to $85 \%$ decreases for domestic and imported bituminous cca, ererting a greater influence on the index than advances for gasolene kerosenc anc imporied inthracite coal. Chemicals and Allied Products were 83.2 as compared with 83.3 in April. lorer quotations for borax and copper sulphate having a greate: effect on the index than ietter prices for sodium bicarbonate and dyestidfs.

Consumarsi Goodin moved down fro:2 71.8 to 71. 5. price reductions for coffee, b=an, shorts, cuice meats and bu'ter outweieming advances for fiour, oatmeal, rolied oats, potaiuas, and ainchracite crai.

Producers: Gocds fell frori 65.5 to 64.7 lower prices for flax, barley, steors, liogs, calres, and rew cotton influencing the index more than higher quotations for rineat, cats, lembs, and sulphum.

Ram and pandiy Monufacturec Goots declined from 56.5 to 55.4 , easier quotaitions for batlev, flaks steers, calves, hogs, eggs, and copper having a greater effect oi the index than Esins for oats, wheat, laros, and anthracite coal.

Yully anc Chiefly Mariufecturec coods dropped from 71.6 to 70.8 , reduced p=ices for hran, Sho:ts, leathe=: butter, and curod meats, overbalancing gains for flour, oatmeal. rojued oats, mbous, unil canned salmon.

Gonadan Farm Produots chanseu from 51.2 to 49.9. reductions in the prices of barloy, flaz, rye, Etaers, cilves, hogs, and eggs more than offsetting higher quotations for onts, whent and lambe
 movement of wheai prices was upward foi the first eleven days of May. North American shipments during this time ahoved an appreciabie increase, and fur ther strength was given to the momket by the news that Eusia was buring Manitobas. The advance reached a peait on May llih, the dats upon whicin the official U.S. government winter wheat estimate Was Icfised dowward form $258,000,000$ to $241,000,000$ bushels. For the next few days prices rere weak, influenceūin pery by declining quotations for securities. Beginning Maw 26 לh, the market again rose pradualiy for just over a week, led by Chicago which reflecteł the growing deterio: cो ion ir the U.S. Winter wheat crop. In the closins inve of the month, rain rolfered conditions in the United States, and paives mored moderctoly lowei Lipout chicments in the latter part of May cropoed shurpley from the wusualiy high ? GVCls reachea carlier, but further European buy ine


The range of cash closing prices for No. 1 Manitoba Northern wheat, Ft. William and Pt.Arthur basis was between $60.1 \phi$ and $64.6 \phi$ per bushel. The average price for the month was $62.9 \phi$ as compared with $62.6 \phi$ per bushel for April.

Declines predominated other grain quotations. No. 3 C.W. barley fell from $41.0 \phi$ to $40.3 \phi$ per bushel; No.1 N.T.C. flax averaged $83.8 \phi$ as against $95.8 \phi$ per bushel in April; and No. 2 C.W. rye moved down from $45.8 \phi$ to $41.2 \phi$ per bushel. No. 2 C.T. oats advanced from $32.3 \phi$ in April to $35.5 \phi$ per bushel in May.

MILLED PRODUCTS: Domestic replacement requirements continued to furnish - most of the business dome by the flour trade. Some exports, however, were taken by the United Kingdom and the West Indies. Efforts of western exporters to do business with vadivostok were greatly hindered by exchange conditions.

An average of Manitoba spring No. 1 patent flour quotations at Toronto, advanced from $\$ 5.04$ to $\$ 5.10$ per barrel of $2-981$ s jute. Rolled oats at Toronto advanced another $10 \phi$ to $\$ 2.65$ per 90 pound bag.

SUGAR: A new low of $.53 \phi$ for futures at New York was touched in the opening week, although offerings of actuals were stated as moderate. Seasonal improvement in demand, which caused refiners to be more active then helped to steady the market. Interest in the latter part of the month was attracted by sales of Cuban sugar to Far Eastern points and to Europe, at prices which were somewhat above New Yoris levels. Apparently these were not impor tant, however, since further low records were established as the month closed, and offerings of Cuban sugar which had previously been held back from the New York market, were cited as the main cause of weakness.

Cuban raw sugar, $96^{\circ}$ centrifugal, $c$, and $f$. New York, fell from an average of $72.5 \phi$ per cwt. for April to $65.3 \phi$ for May (Canadian funds). Standard granulated sugar at Montreal declined further from $\$ 4.37$ in April to $\$ 4.28$ per cwt. in May.

RUBBER: The possibility of a tax on raw rubber in the United States caused a sharp advance early in May when shorts rushed to cover. A reaction followed the assurance that the tax was not to be levied and markets became narrow and dull. A further decline in the closing days of the month, due largely to outside business factors carried spot rubber down to a new low of $2 \frac{3}{4} \phi$ per pound. April consurmetion in the United States at 25,953 tons showed a decrease of 6.7 p.c. from the March estimate, while stocks rose from 334.566 tons at the end of March to a new record of 343,098 tons. Although the decision to allow unrestricted production has been followed by an appr eciable decline in native offerings in the Far East, European plantations have shown little inclination to follow suit.

Despite the late decline in prices referred to above, average May quotations were slightly above those for April. Ceylon ribbed smoked sheets at New York were $3.5 \phi$ as against $3.4 \phi$ per pound in April; plantation first latex crepe rose from $4.5 \phi$ to $4.7 \phi$; and upriver fine Para raw rubber advanced from $5.8 \phi$ to $6.3 \phi$ per pound.

COFFHE: Good buying by large roasters and chain stores exercised a steadying influence upon spot coffee prices, and the market for futures was generally supported by firmess in Brazilian exchange. The Sao Paulo Coffee Institute has estimated the 1932-3 crop at $10,500,000$ bags for that state, which is to be compared with $17,500,000$ bags last year. Private estimates of the coming crop, however, have centred around 14,000,000 bags. The destruction campaign had accounted for $6,200,000$ bags in May.

Most Toronto prices for coffee remained unchanged. Green Santos coffee was $17.5 \phi$ per pound; green Rio, $15.5 \phi$ per pound, and green Jamaica $16.5 \phi$ per pound. Oreen Bogota dropped from $26.5 \phi$ to $24.0 \phi$ per pound.

IIVESTOCK: Cattle markets reflected the influence of heavy receipts in the east whe כprices moved Lower, but in western centres, quotations tended to be firmer. Large runs at eastern major points contributed to lower calf prices. Quotations for spring lambs showed a large seasonal improvement with supplies limited. Fog prices continued to move downward, under the pressure of heavy offerings, with continued shipments from the west helping to depress eastern markets.

Good and choice steers, over 1,050 pounds, declined from $\$ 5.88$ to $\$ 5 . \%^{\prime}+$ per cwt. at Toronto, but rose from $\$ 5.12$ to $\$ 5.15$ per cwt. at Winnipeg. Good veal calvas
dropped from $\$ 5.98$ to $\$ 5.29$ per cwt. at Toronto, but advanced from $\$ 4.90$ to $\$ 5.17$ per cwt. at Winnipeg. Lambs, good handyweight, rose from $\$ 7.58$ to $\$ 10.53$ per cwt . at Toronto, and from $\$ 6.41$ to $\$ 7.38$ per cwt. at Tinnipeg. Bacon hogs moved dom from $\$ 4.54$ to $\$ 4.51$ per cwt. at Toronto, and from $\$ 3.83$ to $\$ 3.67$ per cwt. at Winnineg. The same grade remained unchanged, at $\$ 4.77$ per cwt ., at Montreal.

BUTTMR: A firmer tone pervaded butter markets latterly, although quotations in general moved to lower levels than in the previous month. Recelpts at eastern centres were reported light, and there were evidences that production was little more than sufficient to care for immediate requirements. Cold storage holdings as reported by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics aggregated 2,848,363 pounds on May lst., as compared with $4,495,943$ pounds, a month earlier.

The jobbing price of No. 1 creamery prints moved down from $23.1 \phi$ to $19.7 \phi$ per pound, at Montreal, and from $24.4 \phi$ to $20.1 \phi$ per pound at Toronto, respectively. Finest creamery prints dropped from $25.0 \phi$ to $21.0 \phi$ per pound at Winnipeg.

EGGS: Although price recessions were common, egg markets developed a btronger tendency, due largely to diminishing supplies and an increasing into-storage movement. Production appeared to have passed its peak at practically all centres, and cold storage holdings on May 1st, at $3,415,915$ dozen were about 40 p.c. below the corresponding total of May 1st, 1931, according to the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Fresh extras declined from $21.4 \phi$ to $20.9 \phi$ per dozen at Montreal, and from $18.9 \phi$ to $18.5 \phi$ per dozen at Toronto. This same grade moved dom from $16.8 \phi$ to $14.5 \phi$ per dozen, at Winnipeg.

COMTON: Heavy market liquidation continued to act as a depressing influence on spot prices. Reports of the favourable progress of the U.S. crop, coupled with a growing belief that acreage reduction was not so great as had been hoped for earlier in the season were also regarded as adverse factors. Statistics appeared more favour able, world visible aupplies of American cotton being reported at 7,534,000 bales on June 2nd, as compared with 8,216,000 bales on April 28 th.

Raw cotton, upland middling at New York, averaged $6.5 \phi$ as against $6.9 \phi$ (Canadian funds) per pound, in April. Raw cotton $1^{\prime \prime}-1-1 / 16^{\prime \prime}$, declined from $8.2 \phi$ to $7.6 \phi$ per pound, delivered at Hamilton.

SILK: Declines in raw silk were attributed chiefly to disturbances in primary markets and reports of reduced consumption, which was said to be about 10 p.c. less than in the same month a year ago. World production for April amounted to 36,432 bales and forwardings to world mills were reported at 41,789 bales, thus marking the fourth period in 1932, when output fell below deliveries. Sales of the total indermified stocks held in japan, and rumours of the imposition of a tariff on silk entering the States, falled to stimulate prices.

Raw silk, Japan filature, grand double extra, fell from $\$ 1.78$ to $\$ 1.69$ per pound. Raw silk crack double extra and extra were $10 \phi$ and $16 \phi$ lower, at $\$ 1.52$ and $\$ 1.46$ per pound, respectively, New York basis. All prices are given in Canadian currency.

WOOL: Extreme quiet characterized the domestic trade in wool, with prices showing a downward tendency. Canadian exports of raw wool dropped from 168,401 pounds in March, to 90,975 pounds in April.

Raw wool, eastern, bright, low, medium or $\frac{3}{4}$ blood staple declined from $11 \phi$ to $10 \phi$ per pound. Western domestic wool, semi-bright, medium, or $3 / 8$ blood staple changed from $9-10 \phi$ to $8 \frac{1}{2} 9 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ and western wool $\frac{1}{3}$ blood staple moved down from $8 \frac{1}{3} \phi-9 \phi$ to $8-8 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ per pound, in quantities of 20,000 pounds or more, f.o.b. Weston.

LUMBER: Lumber prices again moved downard. Business in eastern Canada consisted mainly of supolies for repair work, while in the west, building was practically at a standstill. Total exports of planks and boards fell from 77.552 M bd.ft. In March, to 42.595 M bd.ft. in April. Red oak, firsts and seconds declined from $\$ 75.00$ to $\$ 73.00$ per $M$ bd.ft. Soft maple conmon and better, and birch, cormon and better, were each $\$ 5.00$ lower at $\$ 40.00$ and $\$ 45.00$ per $M$ bd.ft. respectively, f.o.b. mill carlots.

IRON AND STEET: Slight gains ere noted in business for steel products, ascribed to increased activity in the automobile industry. Output of steel ingots and castings in April at 36,030 tons ranked second highest in the year, being expeeded only by March tonnages.

Automobile body plates rose from $\$ 3.23$ to $\$ 3.26$ per 100 pounds (Canadian funds), foo.b. Pittsburg. Hot rolled and annealed steel sheets No. 24, U.S.G. advanced from $\$ 3.54$ to $\$ 3.57$ per 100 pounds, and hot rolled and annealed steel sheets, No. 10 U.S.G. moved up from $\$ 2.96$ to $\$ 2.99$ per 100 pounds, carlots, f.o.b. Montreal.

COPPER: Continued recession for the early part of Nay brought the U.S. expori price of copper to a new all time low of $5 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ per pound, c.i.f. usual Buropean ports. Latterly, prices became somewhat stronger due to the approval of an import duty on this metal. No recent statistics are available but it was generally stated that surplus stocks have not diminished materially.

Elas:. carlots, f.o.b. Montreal. Re ecting the decline in the basic metal, copper sulphate moved down from $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 3.35$ per 100 pounds, in 5 -ton lots, c.i.f. ocean ports.

TIN: Advances in tin, followed the announcement that it had been agreed to suspend mining operations for a period of two months. Stati stics proved less farorable than had been expected, and world visible supplies as reported by Messrs. A. Strauss and Co., were 50,406 tons on May 1st., an increase of 19 tons cier those of a month earlier.

Tin ingots, straits, rose from $25.5 \phi$ to $28.0 \phi$ per pound, f.o.b. Toronto.
SILVER: Silver was unchanged from the previous momth with the market being supported by short covering orders from China.

Fine silver at New York was $31.5 \phi$ per ounce (Canadian currency).
COAL: Ldvances were quoted $f$ imported anthracite, but domestic bituminous moved to lower levels.

American anthracite coal (egg) rose from $\$ 12.34$ to $\$ 12.51$ per long ton, carlots, f.o.b. Toronto. Western domestic standard screened lump declined from $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 4.50$ per ton at Lethbridge, and from $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 2.50$ per ton at mdmonton.

GASOLZNE: A rise of $1 \notin$ per gallon occurred in the prices of gasolene at the following Canadian cities where new quotations were as follows: Montreal 18.5申, Toronto $18.5 \phi$, Winnipeg $20.5 \phi$, Regina $24.5 \phi$, and Calgary $22 \phi$ per gallon (tank wason).

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - 1913=100
See page 8 for these data on the base $1926=100$

|  | No. of Price Series | $\begin{aligned} & 1931 \\ & \text { May } \end{aligned}$ | Nov. | Dec. | $\begin{aligned} & 1932 \\ & \text { Jan. } \end{aligned}$ | Feb. | March | April | May |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Building and Construction Materials | 97 | 127.4 | 122.0 | 122.2 | 121.4 | 121.2 | 120.7 | 120.4 | 119.0 |
| Lumber | 27 | 116.4 | 103.8 | 103.5 | 103.8 | 105.1 | 104.4 | 103.7 | 101.2 |
| Painters ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Materials | 11 | 126.0 | 122.8 | 124.1 | 121.7 | 119.7 | 117.9 | 116.6 | 115.0 |
| Miscellaneous | 59 | 137.7 | 139.4 | 139.7 | 138.2 | 137.1 | 137.1 | 137.6 | 137.3 |


| Price Series | May $1931$ | Feb. 1932 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Index 502 Commodities 502 | 72.6 | 69.2 | 69.1 | 68.4 | 67.7 |
| INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMOUITIES |  |  |  |  |  |
| CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR |  |  |  |  |  |
| CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Vegetable Products (grains, fruits, etc.) | 58.6 | 56.4 | 56.7 | 57.1 | 56.7 |
| 11. Animals and Their Products 74 | 72.4 | 62.4 | 63.5 | 60.2 | 58.1 |
| 111. Fihres, Textiles and Textile Products | 74.2 | 71.6 | 71.5 | 71.1 | 70.3 |
| IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper 44 | 80.9 | 74.8 | 74.4 | 74.0 | 73.4 |
| V. Iron and Its Products 39 | 87.5 | 87.0 | 86.3 | 86.5 | 86.5 |
| VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products | 63.6 | 63.1 | 60.3 | 58.5 | 57.2 |
| VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products | 84.7 | 87.2 | 86.2 | 86.0 | 85.9 |
| VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products 73 | 86.9 | 84.2 | 83.3 | 83.3 | 83.2 |
| INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES |  |  |  |  |  |
| CIASSIFIED ACCORDING TO PURPOSE |  |  |  |  |  |
| I. Consuners' Goods 204 | 76.1 | 73.1 | 72.9 | 71.8 | 71.5 |
| Foods, Beverages and Tobacco | 70.6 | 63.1 | 63.8 | 62.1 | 60.6 |
| Other Consumers: Goods 88 | 79.7 | 79.7 | 78.9 | 78.3 | 78.7 |
| II. Producers' Goods 351 | 68.5 | 66.4 | 65.9 | 65.6 | 64.7 |
| Producers' Equipment 22 | 90.1 | 91.1 | 90.8 | 90.7 | 88.2 |
| Producers' Materials 329 | 66.1 | 63.7 | 63.1 | 62.8 | 62.1 |
| Building \& Construction |  |  |  |  |  |
| Materials 97 | 83.0 | 79.4 | 79.1 | 78.9 | 78.0 |
| Manufacturers Materials 232 | 62.4 | 60.2 | 59.6 | 59.2 | 58.6 |
| INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO ORIGIN |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Raw and Partly Manufactured 232 | 62.7 | 58.5 | 57.5 | 56.5 | 55.4 |
| Total Fully and Chiefly Manufactured 276 | 74.6 | 71.2 | 71.9 | 71.6 | 70.8 |
| I. Articles of Farm Origin (Domestic and Foreign) |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Field, (grain, fruits, cotton, etc.) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured 98 | 45.8 | 43.3 | 42.7 | 42.8 | 42.7 |
| (b) Fully and chiefly manufactured69 | 70.4 | 68.5 | 69.1 | 69.1 | 68.3 |
| (c) Total 167 | 59.0 | 56.9 | 56.9 | 57.0 | 56.5 |
| B. Animal |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured 41 | 77.0 | 65.3 | 64.3 | 61.0 | 58.2 |
| (b) Fully and chiefly manufactured 49 | 69.7 | 61.1 | 63.4 | 62.0 | 59.4 |
| (c) Total 90 | 72.9 | 62.9 | 63.8 | 61.6 | 58.9 |
| C. Canadian Farm Products |  |  |  |  |  |
| (1) Field (grains, etc.) | 46.4 | 43.7 | 43.7 | 44.5 | 44.6 |
| (2) Animal 13 | 76.6 | 66.2 | 65.2 | 62.1 | 58.7 |
| (3) Total 59 | 57.7 | 52.1 | 51.7 | 51.1 | 49.9 |
| II. Articles of Marine Origin |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufacured 5 | 63.8 | 67.6 | 70.1 | 58.3 | 59.0 |
| (b) Fully and chiefly manuacturedll | 74.2 | 71.3 | 71.5 | 69.2 | 69.8 |
| (c) Total 16 | 71.4 | 70.3 | 71.1 | 66.2 | 66.9 |
| III. Articles of Forest Origin |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured 31 | 81.7 | 74.4 | 73.5 | 72.8 | 71.5 |
| (b) Fully and chiefly manufactured2l | 79.9 | 75.3 | 75.3 | 75.2 | 75.2 |
| (c) Total 52 | 80.7 | 74.9 | 74.5 | 74.1 | 73.5 |
| IV. Articles of Mineral Origin |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Ra'w and partly manufactured 57 | 76.4 | 79.8 | 77.7 | 77.2 | 75.9 |
| (b) Fully and chiefly manufacturedl26 | 84.3 | 84.8 | 84.3 | 84.4 | 85.3 |
| (c) Total 183 | 80.8 | 82.6 | 81.3 | 81.2 | 81.1 |

Indexes for the current year are subject to final revision

|  | Commodities | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Price } \\ & \text { Series } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Mar} \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Index | 502 | 72.6 | 69.2 | 69.1 | 68.4 | 67.7 |
| 1. | Vegetable Products | 124 | 58,6 | 56.4 | 56.7 | 57.1 | 56.7 |
|  | Fruits | 15 | 104.1 | 80.9 | 82.5 | 83.2 | 83.4 |
|  | Fresh, Domestic | 3 | 140.1 | 57.4 | 70.6 | 73.9 | 74.1 |
|  | Fresh, Foreign | 4 | 79.7 | 90.0 | 90.0 | 90.4 | 90.2 |
|  | Dried | 5 | 80.7 | 99.3 | 100.0 | 93.9 | 94.6 |
|  | Canned | 3 | 92.5 | 75.8 | 78.2 | 78.7 | 79.4 |
|  | Grains | 23 | 42.2 | 43.1 | 43.4 | 44.0 | 44.1 |
|  | Flour and Milled products | 9 | 59.6 | 59.1 | 50.2 | 60.8 | 59.7 |
|  | Bakery Products | 2 | 80.9 | 81.7 | 81.7 | 8 L .7 | 81.7 |
|  | Vegetable Oils |  | 61.7 | 64.3 | 64.6 | 63.3 | 57.8 |
|  | Rubber and Its Products | 5 | 50.6 | 48.8 | 51.0 | 51.9 | 52,5 |
|  | Sugar and Its Products ari Gl | ucose5 | 77.3 | 77.0 | 75.4 | 73.8 | 72.2 |
|  | Tea, Coffee, Cocoa and spices | 13 | 67.1 | 66.3 | 66.7 | 67.1 | 65.4 |
|  | Tobacco | 8 | 50.3 | 50.3 | 50.3 | 50.3 | 50.3 |
|  | Vegetables | 15 | 51.7 | 32.1 | 34.7 | 36.6 | 25.8 |
|  | Niscellaneous | 22 | 78.4 | 68.0 | 68.0 | 57.3 | 67.5 |
| 11. | Animals and Their Products | $74$ | 72.4 | 62.4 | 63.5 |  |  |
|  | Fishery Products | $16$ | $71.4$ | 70.3 | 71.1 | $66,3$ | $66.9$ |
|  | Purs | 9 | 67.4 | 56.0 | 56.0 | 50.5 | 50.6 |
|  | Hides and Skins | 5 | 54.0 | 41.6 | 47.6 | 37.7 | 27.5 |
|  | Leather, Unmanufactured | 5 | 93.3 | 87.1 | 84.2 | 82.8 | 80.2 |
|  | Boots and Shoes | 3 | 95.5 | 93.7 | 93.7 | 90.2 | 90,2 |
|  | Live Stock | 4 | 77.9 | 65.9 | 65.7 | 64.7 | 64.9 |
|  | Weats and poultry | 10 | 75.9 | 55.7 | 55.6 | 54.0 | 54.4 |
|  | Nilk and Its Products | 12 | 70.0 | 59.3 | 64.0 | 62.6 | 56.7 |
|  | Fats | 5 | 56.1 | 45.2 | 45.4 | 46.3 | 45.5 |
|  | \#ggs | 5 | 54.1 | 72.7 | 67.0 | 47.9 | 44.9 |
| 111. Fibres, Textiles and Textile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Products <br> Cotton, raw | 60 2 | 74.2 53.7 | 71.6 44.6 | 71.5 44.0 | 71.1 39.5 | 70.3 37.2 |
|  | Cotton Yarn and Thread | 2 | 81.5 | 78.5 | 78.5 | 78.5 | 78.6 |
|  | Knit Goods | 1 | 85.7 | 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 | 63.5 | 62.0 | 61.9 | 61.4 | 56.3 |
|  | Silk, raw | 3 | 36.8 | 36,8 | 30.8 | 26,0 | 24.2 |
|  | Silk, thread and yarm | 2 | 65.7 | 72.6 | 72.6 | 72.5 | 72.6 |
|  | Sill Hosiery | 2 | 75.8 | 75.5 | 75.5 | 75.9 | 75.9 |
|  | Silk Fabrics | 4 | 51.1 | 60.8 | 60.8 | 60.8 | 58.2 |
|  | Artificial silk and Products | 2 | 65.9 | 64.9 | 64.9 | 64.9 | 04.9 |
|  | Tool, raw | 3 | 47.4 | 35.1 | 35.1 | 32.9 | 30.4 |
|  | Tnol yarns | 4 | 69.0 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 67.7 | 67.7 |
|  | Wool hosiery and knit goods | 2 | 85.7 | 81.5 | 81.5 | 81.5 | 81.5 |
|  | Wool blankets | 1 | 86.7 | 78.6 | 78.6 | 78.5 | 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 |
|  | Cotton Fabrics | 17 | 81.9 | 76.7 | 76.7 | 75.1 | 76.1 |

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|  | Commodities | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Price } \\ & \text { Series } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Teb} \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mart } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Kav} \\ & 193, ? \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IV. | Tood, Tood Products and Papor | 44 | 80.9 | 74.8 | 74.4 | 74.0 | 73.7 |
|  | Newsprint | 2 | 77.7 | 72.2 | 72.2 | 72.2 | $72 . ?$ |
|  | Lurnber and Timber | 27 | 80.0 | 72.3 | 71.8 | 71.3 | 69.6 |
|  | PuIp | 3 | 85.7 | 79.2 | 77.5 | 76.2 | 75.8 |
|  | Tumiture | 11 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99.3 | 99.3 |
|  | Natches | 1 | 72.5 | 74.7 | 74.7 | 76.2 | $76 . ?$ |
| V. | Iron and Its products | 39 | 87.5 | 87.0 | 86.3 | 86.5 | 86.5 |
|  | Pig Iron and Steel Billets | 4 | 86.9 | 86.9 | 86.9 | 86.9 | 86.9 |
|  | Rolling Mill Products | 10 | 89.9 | 92.2 | 91.0 | 91.1 | 91.2 |
|  | Pipe (Cast Iron and Steel | $?$ | 89.9 | 89.9 | 89.9 | 89.9 | 89.9 |
|  | Hardware | 14 | 91.7 | 88.6 | 88.2 | $8{ }^{6} .2$ | $80 . .2$ |
|  | Wire | 3 | 84.8 | 82.8 | 82.8 | 82.8 | 82.8 |
|  | Scrap | 5 | 60.7 | 43.5 | 43.5 | 45.0 | 45.0 |
|  | Miscellaneous | 1 | 95.0 | 95.0 | 95.0 | 95.0 | 95.0 |
| VI. | Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products | 15 | 63.6 | 63.1 | 60.3 | 58.5 | 57.2 |
|  | Aluminium | 1 | 84.5 | 96.8 | 94.6 | 94.2 | 95.7 |
|  | Antimony | 1 | 41.4 | 39.9 | 38.4 | 37.5 | 35.9 |
|  | Brass, Copper and Products | 5 | 68.3 | 56.5 | 52.1 | 50.6 | 48.1 |
|  | Lead and Its Products | 2 | 48.6 | 51.3 | 47.8 | 44.9 | 41.5 |
|  | Metallic Nickel | 1 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 |
|  | Silver | 1 | 44.7 | 56.0 | 53.7 | 50.8 | 50.7 |
|  | Tin Ingots | 1 | 38.6 | 44.5 | 43.0 | 38.1 | 41.3 |
|  | Zinc and Its Products | 2 | 41.5 | 44.7 | 43.3 | 41.2 | 40.4 |
|  | Solder | 1 | 46.3 | 45.8 | 43.8 | 41.2 | $41 . ?$ |
| VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products |  | 73 | 84.7 | 87.2 | 86.2 | 85.0 | 85.3 |
|  | Bricks | 8 | 101.1 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.8 | 100.8 |
|  | Pottery | 2 | 81.2 | 85.0 | 85.0 | 85.0 | 85.0 |
|  | Coal | 11 | 91.4 | 95.3 | 92.7 | 91.7 | 8 \%. 8 |
|  | Coke | 6 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 |
|  | Coal Tar | 1 | 100.0 | 102.9 | 102.9 | 104.9 | 104.? |
|  | Glass and Its Products | 6 | 70.2 | 78.4 | 78.4 | 78.4 | 78.4 |
|  | Petroleum Products | 6 | 70.2 | 72.7 | 72.7 | 72.7 | 76.0 |
|  | Salt | 4 | 114.6 | 114.6 | 114.6 | 114.6 | 114.6 |
|  | Sulphur | 1 | 100.0 | 134.6 | 112.0 | 112.0 | 112.5 |
|  | Plaster | 3 | 92.9 | 94.9 | 94.9 | 94.9 | 34.9 |
|  | Lime | + | 97.8 | 91.8 | 91.8 | 91.8 | 91.8 |
|  | Cement | 1 | 100.7 | 103.5 | 103.8 | 105.9 | 105.9 |
|  | Sand and Gravel | 8 | 96.8 | 92.2 | 92.2 | 89.8 | 89.8 |
|  | Crushed Stone | 3 | 87.3 | 86.1 | 86.1 | 89.7 | 89.7 |
|  | Building Stone | 3 | 66.5 | 65.5 | 65.5 | 65.5 | 65.5 |
|  | Asbestos | 6 | 75.4 | 71.2 | 71.2 | 71.2 | 71.2 |
| VIII. Chemfeals and Allied Products |  | 73 | 86.9 | 84.2 | 83.3 | 83.3 | 83.2 |
|  | Inorganic Chemicals | 22 | 91.3 | 91.3 | 91.3 | 91.2 | 91.0 |
|  | Organ ic Chemicals | 7 | 74.2 | 75.3 | 75.3 | 75.3 | 75.3 |
|  | Coal lar Products | 2 | 99.1 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 |
|  | Dyeing and Tanning Materials | 10 | 91.4 | 101.0 | 98.3 | 97.8 | 99.0 |
|  | Paint Materials | 9 | 73.6 | 70.1 | 67.4 | 67.5 | 67.3 |
| Drugs and Pharmaceutical |  | 10 |  |  | 87.1 | 87.1 | 27.1 |
|  | Fertilizers | 10 | 85.7 | 72.0 | 72.0 | 71.4 | 7.5 |
|  | Industrial Gases | 2 | 88.7 | 83.7 | 88.7 | 83.7 | $60^{\circ} \mathrm{F} 7$ |
|  | Soan | 1 | 92.6 | 92.6 | 92.6 | 92.6 | 92.6 |

## INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

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|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Price } \\ & \text { Series } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Teb. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apr } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CONSUMERS: GOODS (GROUPS A \& B) | 204 | 76.1 | 73.1 | 72.9 | 71.8 | 71.5 |
|  | Foods, Beverages and Tobacco | 116 | 70.6 | 63.1 | 63.8 | 62.1 | 60.6 |
|  | Beverages | 8 | 68.6 | 69.2 | 69.2 | 69.7 | 69.3 |
|  | Flour and Milled products | 5 | 59.6 | 59.1 | 60.2 | 60.8 | 59.7 |
|  | Bakery Products | 2 | 80.9 | 81.7 | 81.7 | 81.7 | 81.7 |
|  | Fish | 16 | 71.4 | 70.3 | 71.1 | 66.3 | 66.9 |
|  | Fruits | 15 | 104.1 | 80.9 | 82.5 | 83.2 | 83.4 |
|  | Meats and Poultry | 10 | 75.9 | 55.7 | 55.6 | 54.0 | 54.4 |
|  | Milk and Milk Products | 12 | 70.0 | 59.3 | 64.0 | 62.6 | 56.7 |
|  | Sugar and Its Products | 3 | 77.3 | 77.0 | 75.4 | 73.8 | 72.2 |
|  | Vegetables | 15 | 51.7 | 32.1 | 34.7 | 36:5 | 25.8 |
|  | Eggs | 5 | 54.1 | 72.7 | 67.0 | 47.9 | 44.9 |
|  | Tobacco | 8 | 50.3 | 50.3 | 50.3 | 50.3 | 50.3 |
|  | Miscellaneous | 17 | 63.6 | 60.6 | 61.7 | 60.4 | 59.5 |
| B. Other Consumers: Goods |  | 88 | 79.7 | 79.7 | 78.9 | 78.3 | 78.7 |
|  | Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Hosiery and Underwear | $41$ | 80.2 | 77.6 |  | 77.0 | 76.7 |
|  | Household Equipment and Supplies | $47$ | 79.3 | 81.2 | $79.7$ | 79:3 | 80.2 |
| II. PRODUCERS' GOODS (GROUPS C \& D ) |  | 351 | 68.5 | 66.4 | 65.9 | 65.6 | 64.7 |
|  | d Producers' Equipment | 22 | 90.1 | 91.1 | 90.8 | 90.7 | 88.2 |
|  | Tools <br> Lisht, Heat \& Power Equipment | 3 | 94.8 | 88.8 | 88.8 | 88.8 | 88.8 |
|  | and Supplies | 17 | 90.3 | 91.4 | 91.1 | 91.0 | 88.3 |
|  | Miscellaneous | 2 | 84.5 | 84.5 | 84.5 | 84.5 | 84.5 |
| D. | - Producers ${ }^{\text {d Materials }}$ | 329 | 66.1 | 63.7 | 63.1 | 62.8 | 62.1 |
|  | Building and Construction Materials | 97 | 83.0 | 79.4 | 79.1 | 78.9 | 78.0 |
|  | Lumber | 27 | 80.0 | 72.3 | 71.8 | 71.3 | 69.6 |
|  | Painters ${ }^{\text {M }}$ Materials | 11 | 69.0 | 65.6 | 64.6 | 63.9 | 63.0 |
|  | Miscellaneous | 59 | 89.4 | 89.7 | 89.7 | 90.0 | 89.8 |
|  | Manufacturers'Materials | 2\% | 62.4 | 60.2 | 59.5 | 59.2 | 58.6 |
| Textiles and Clothing <br> Furs and Leather Goods <br> For Metal Working Industries <br> For Chemical Using Industries <br> For Meat Packing Industries <br> For Milling and Other Industries <br> Miscellaneous Producers <br> Materials |  | 47 | 71.9 | 69.5 | 69.4 | 68.9 | 67.9 |
|  |  | 19 | 78.9 | 70.1 | 68.6 | 65.5 | 62.7 |
|  |  | 35 | 68.1 | 67.5 | 65.2 | 63:8 | 62.8 |
|  |  | 44 | 89.6 | 92.0 | 91.5 | 91.4 | 91.4 |
|  |  | 4 | 77.9 | 65.9 | 65.7 | 64.7 | 64.9 |
|  |  | s 23 | 42.2 | 43.1 | 43.4 | 44.0 | 44.1 |
|  |  | 60 | 70.8 | 66.1 | 65.5 | 65.2 | 64.4 |




|  | Beef Sirloin (Pound) | Be ef <br> Chuck <br> (pound) | Veal Roast (Pound) | Wutton <br> Roast <br> (Pound) | Pork <br> Fresh <br> (Pound) | Pork <br> Salt <br> (Pound) | Bacon <br> Breakfast (Pound) | Lard <br> Pure (Pound) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Eggs } \\ & \text { Fresh } \\ & \text { (Dozen) } \end{aligned}$ | Eggs, Storage \& Cooking (Dozen) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Milk } \\ & \text { (Quart) } \end{aligned}$ | Butter <br> Dairy <br> (Pound) | Butter Groamery (Pound) | Cheese <br> (Pound) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{1929}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\overline{\text { August }}$ | 38.4 | 24.0 | 24.6 | 32.3 | 32.8 | 28.1 | 41.0 | 22.2 | 39.2 | 34.6 | 12.7 | 40.2 | 44.9 | 33.3 |
| September | 37.6 | 23.3 | 24.6 | 31.8 | 32.5 | 28.5 | 41.6 | 21.9 | 47.4 | 41.5 | 12.4 | 41.8 | 46.0 | 33.2 |
| October | 36.9 | 22.6 | 24.8 | 30.9 | 31.3 | 27.7 | 41.0 | 21.7 | 51.3 | 45.1 | 12.4 | 42.6 | 46.9 | 33. |
| November | 35.8 | 22.3 | 24.9 | 30.3 | 30.0 | 27.5 | 40.3 | 21.5 | 58.3 | 48.6 | 12.9 | 43.6 | 47.4 | 33.1 |
| December | 35.0 | 22.1 | 25.0 | 30.2 | 28.9 | 27.2 | 39.6 | 21.4 | 64.7 | 50.4 | 12.9 | 43.9 | 47.5 | 33.2 |
| 1930 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 35.9 | 22.7 | 25.0 | 31.0 | 29.8 | 27.4 | 39.6 | 21.3 | 64.4 | 52.3 | 13.6 | 44.0 | 47.5 | 33.1 |
| February | 36.3 | 23.1 | 24.9 | 31.2 | 30.1 | 27.5 | 39.7 | 21.4 | 59.7 | 51.8 | 13.4 | 42.2 | 46.4 | 32.6 |
| March | 36.2 | 23.2 | 25.7 | 31.7 | 30.6 | 27.7 | $40 \cdot 3$ | $21: 5$ | 52.0 | 45.8 | 13.4 | 41.5 | 45.4 | 32.9 |
| April | 36.6 | 23.4 | 24.9 | 32.0 | 30.5 | 27.6 | 40.4 | 21.4 | 36.9 | 32.6 | 13.3 | 39.4 | 43.2 | 32.9 |
| Way | 37.3 | 24.0 | 24.4 | 32.4 | 30.5 | 27.0 | 40.3 | 21.3 | 34.9 | 31.1 | 13.3 | $3 C .4$ | 39.5 | 32.9 |
| June | 38.0 | 24.3 | $24: 1$ | 31.9 | 30.8 | 27.3 | 40.3 | 21.4 | 35.6 | 31.7 | 12.9 | 34.9 | 38.7 | 32.6 |
| July | 37.5 | 23.4 | 23.8 | 31.1 | 30.4 | 27.0 | 40.4 | 21.3 | 36.2 | 32.7 | 12.6 | 33.0 | 36.3 | 31.6 |
| August | 36.6 | 22.6 | $23: 3$ | $30: 0$ | 30.3 | 27.6 | 40.2 | 21.1 | 37.3 | 33.8 | 12.0 | 32.1 | 35.8 | 31.6 |
| September | $34: 9$ | 21:1 | 22.9 | 29.7 | $29: 9$ | 27:2 | 39.9 | 21.0 | 38.6 | 34.6 | 12.2 | 33.1 | 36.5 | 31.2 |
| October | 33.8 | $20: 2$ | $22: 9$ | 28.2 | $29: 6$ | 27.1 | 39.9 | 21.1 | 42.5 | 37.9 | 12.2 | 34.9 | 38.7 | 30.7 |
| November | 32.4 | 19.3 | $22 . ?$ | 27.3 | 28.5 | 27.1 | 39.6 | 21.2 | 51.0 | 42.9 | 12.4 | 35.5 |  | 29.9 |
| Dacember | 31.6 | 18.5 | 21.8 | 27.2 | 26.8 | 26.7 | 39.0 | 20.9 | 58.3 | 45.9 | 12.4 | 34.9 | 38.2 | 29.9 1 |
| 1931 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 29.2 |
| January | 31.3 31.2 | 18.6 18.5 | 21.8 21.9 | 26.7 27.6 | 25.8 25.4 | 26.1 | 38.3 37.2 | 20.8 | 50.3 35.0 | 27.4 | 12.2 | 33.4 | 37.7 | 28.7 |
| March | 29.4 | 17.1 | 20.8 | 26.9 | 23.1 | 24.7 | 34.4 | 18.4 | 33.9 | 27.6 | 12.1 | 33.0 | 37.6 | 28.2 |
| April | 29.2 | 17.0 | 19.7 | -6.8 | 22.9 | 23.9 | 31.9 | 16.7 | 28.4 | 23.2 | 11.9 | 33.2 | 37.2 | 27.8 |
| Wiay | 29.3 | 16.3 | 18.2 | 27.0 | 22.6 | 23.2 | 31.1 | 16.1 | 25.5 | 20.6 | 11.6 | 28.9 | 32.8 | 26.6 |
| June | 28.8 | 16.0 | 17.8 | 27.0 | 22.7 | 23.2 | 29.9 | 15.2 | 23.6 | 19.6 | 11.1 | 23.7 | 27.1 | 23.5 |
| July | 28.8 | 15.6 | 17.6 | 26.6 | 23.2 | 22.9 | 29.2 | 14.6 | 24.3 | 20.3 | 11.0 | 23.2 | 26.8 | 23.7 |
| August | 28.9 | 15.2 | 16.7 | 26.4 | 24.5 | 22.3 | 28.9 | 14.2 | 26.1 | 22.0 | 10.8 | 23.5 | 27.0 | 23.0 |
| September | 28.2 | 14.5 | 16.5 | 24.8 | 22.3 | 22.0 | 28.0 | 13.8 | 30.3 | 25.7 | 10.8 | 23.5 | 27.2 | 22.9 |
| October | 27.1 | 14.1 | 16.2 | 23.3 | 19.9 | 19.7 | 26.1 | 13.3 | 32.4 | 27.7 | 10.8 | 23.3 | 26.8 | 22.9 |
| November | 26.1 | 13.8 | 16.0 | 22.2 | 18.3 | 18.8 | 24.2 | 12.9 | 44.4 | 34.4 | 10.8 | 23.1 | 26.2 27.2 | 22.5 22.5 |
| Dacember | 24.9 | 13.2 | 15.8 | 21.9 | 16.6 | 17.8 | $22 \cdot 3$ | 13.0 | 49.5 | 36.7 | 10.8 | 23.7 | 27.2 | 22.5 |
| $\frac{1932}{\text { January }}$ | 25.0 | 13.3 | 15.3 | 22.2 | 16.0 | 17.2 | 20.8 | 12.8 | 41.8 | 32.6 | 10.7 | 24.3 | 27.5 | 22.1 |
| Fobruary | 25.2 | 13.4 | 15.7 | 22.2 | 15.8 | 16.8 | 19.3 | 12.5 | 29.7 | 22.7 | 10.4 | 22.5 | 25.9 | 21.4 |
| March | 25.3 | 13.7 | 15.7 | 22.5 | 15.6 | 16.1 | 18.4 | 11.8 | 32.8 | 25.8 | 10.2 | 20.3 | 24.1 | 21.3 |
| April | 24.9 | 13.4 | 14.6 | 22.2 | 15.3 | 15.9 | 17.8 | 11.5 | 24.8 | 19.9 | 10.1 | 25.9 | 31.2 | 21.2 |
| Miay | 24.7 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 22.9 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 17.2 | 11.5 | 19.5 | 15.1 | 10.0 | 21.3 | 24.5 | 21.0 |


| Year and Month | Bread <br> (Pound) | Flour <br> (Pound) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rojec } \\ & \text { Oats } \\ & \text { (Pound) } \end{aligned}$ | Rice <br> (Pound) | Beans <br> (Found) | Apples <br> Evaporated <br> ) (Pourd) | prunes <br> (Pound) | Sufar Granulated (Pcund) | Sugar <br> Yellcw <br> (Pound) | Tea <br> (Pound) | Coffer <br> (Pound) | Potatoəs (Peck) | Vinisgar (Pini) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1529 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7.8 |
| Aurust | 7.3 | 5:3 | 6.4 | 10.3 | 11.9 | 21.5 | 13:8 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 70.4 | 60.2 | 55.3 43.9 | 7.0 |
| Septemher | 7.6 | $5 \cdot 3$ | 6.4 | 10.4 | 11.9 | 21.1 | 14.2 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 70.5 | 60.2 60.2 | 43.9 42.3 | 7.9 7.8 |
| October | 7.6 | $5: 3$ | 6.4 | 10.3 | 11.8 | 20.9 | 14.6 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 70.1 | 60.6 | $42: 4$ | 7.8 |
| Novemicer | 7.6 | $5: 3$ | 6.4 | 10.2 | 11.3 | 21.3 | 15.3 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 70.2 | 60.4 | 42.9 | 7.8 |
| December | 7.6 | $5: 3$ | 6.4 | 10:3 | 10.8 | 21,2 | $15: 6$ | 7.3 | 6.9 | 70.2 | 60.4 | 42.9 | 7.0 |
| 1930 |  |  |  |  |  | 21:0 | 16.1 |  | 6.9 | 70.5 | 60,4 | 44.3 | 7.8 |
| Jemuary | 7.8 7.8 | $5: 2$ $5: 2$ | 6.4 6.3 | 10.3 10.2 | 10.4 | $20: 8$ | 16.4 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 69.8 | 59.7 | 47.3 | 7.7 |
| Feliruary | 7.8 7.8 | $5: 2$ $5: 1$ | 6.3 $6: 2$ | 10.2 10.2 | 10:1 | 20.7 | 16.3 | 7.2 | $6: 9$ | $68: 4$ | 58.8 | 47.8 | 7.8 |
| April | 7:8 | $5: 0$ | $6: 3$ | 10.2 | $9: 5$ | $20: 6$ | 16.5 | 7.1 | 6:8 | 67.8 | 58.6 | 45:0 | 7.8 |
| May | 7:8 | 5:0 | 6:2 | 10:1 | $9: 3$ | 20:3 | 16.3 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 65.8 | 57.8 | 49.7 | 7.8 |
| June | 7:8 | $4: 9$ | $6: 2$ | 10.2 | $9: 6$ | 20.8 | 16:4 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 60.5 | 57.3 | 50.7 | 7.8 |
| july | 7.6 | $4: 8$ | $6: 2$ | 10.1 | 9.5 | 20.7 | 15.9 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 59.7 | 56.7 | 49.4 | 7.8 7.8 |
| August | 7:6 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 10.1 | 9.3 | 20.1 | 15.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 58.9 | 56.3 | 44.3 | 7.7 |
| September | 7.1 | $4: 6$ | 6.1 | 10:0 | 9.3 | 20.0 | 15.2 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 59.1 | 55.5 | 32.3 | $7 \cdot 7$ |
| October | 7.0 | 4.3 | 5.9 | $10_{2} 1$ | 9.2 | 20.4 | 14.8 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 58.9 | 54.8 54.2 | 30.6 28.6 | 7.7 |
| November | 6.8 | $4: 1$ | 5.6 | 10,0 | 8.7 | 20.0 | 13.9 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 58.1 | 54.2 | 27.6 | 7.7 |
| December | 6.4 | 3 l | 5.5 | 9.8 | 8.1 | 19.0 | 13.0 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 57.5 | 53.9 | 27.1 | 7.7 |
| 1931. |  |  |  |  | 7.7 | 18.6 | 12:6 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 57.3 | 53.2 | 26. 5 | 7.7 |
| Jazuary | 6.5 6.4 | 3.7 3.5 | 5.3 5.1 | 9.8 9.6 | 7.1 | 18.6 18.6 | 12.3 | 6.3 6.3 | 6.1 | 56.5 | 51.7 | 25.9 | 7.7 |
| Fobruary Narch | 6.4 6.4 | 3.5 3.4 | 5.1 5.1 | 9.6 9.5 | 7.1 6.5 | 18.6 18.3 | 12.3 12.1 | 6.3 6.3 | 6.0 | 56.3 | 51.2 | 24.7 | 7.7 |
| April | 6.5 | 3.4 | 5.0 | 9.5 | $6: 3$ | 17.6 | 12.1 | 6.3 | $6: 0$ | 55.8 | 50.3 | 23.4 | 7.6 |
| Niay | 6.4 | 3.3 | $5: 1$ | 9.1 | 6.1 | 17.2 | 11.9 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 55.1 | 50.0 | 23.2 | 7.6 |
| June | 6.3 | 3.3 | 50 | 9.3 | 6.1 | 16.9 | 11. 7 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 54.7 | 49.0 | 21.9 | 7.6 |
| July | 6.3 | 3.2 | 50 | 9.3 | 6.1 | 17:0 | $12: 0$ | 6.2 | $6: 0$ | 55.1 | 49.1 | 22.7 | 7.7 |
| August | 6.3 | 29 | 500 | 9 gi | 5.9 | 17:1 | 11.7 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 54.9 | 49.2 | 29.3 | 8.6 |
| Soptember | 6.3 | 3.1 | 50 | 9.1 | 5.9 | 17.4 | 12:2 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 54:3 | 47.9 | 20.6 | 7.6 |
| October | 6.3 | $3: 0$ | $4 \% 8$ | $9: 0$ | 56 | $16: 8$ | 11:9 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 53.6 | 47.1 | 17.6 | 7.6 |
| Nevemer | 6.3 | 2:9 | $4: 6$ | 8.8 | 5.1 | 16.7 | 12:1 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 52.7 | 45.9 | 16.1 | 7.0 |
| December | 6.2 | 3.0 | 4.7 | 8,8 | 4.9 | 17:6 | 11.8 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 52.4 | 45.0 | 16.3. | 705 |
| 1932 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 44.6 | 15.8 |  |
| Jaruary | 6:3 | $3: 1$ | 4.7 | $8: 7$ | 4.8 | $16: 6$ | 11:7 | 6.1 | 5.9 5.9 | 51.4 | 44.6 | 17.8 | $7: 5$ |
| Fèruary | 6:3 | 3:0 | 4.7 | 8:7 | $4: 6$ | 16.3 | 11.4 | 6.1 | 5.9 5.9 | 51.3 | 44.3 43 | 15:8 | 7.6 |
| March | $5: 3$ | $3: 0$ | $4: 7$ | 8:7 | 4.4 | 16.4 | 11.4 | 6.1 | $5 \cdot 9$ | 50.6 | 43.7 | 15:3 | 7.7 |
| $\therefore \mathrm{pl} \pm 1$ | 6.2 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 8.5 | 4.3 | 15.8 | 11. 10 | 6.0 | 5.8 | +46. 2 | 42.6 | 15.2 | 7.5 |
| liay | 6.2 | 3.0 | 4.7 | 8.6 | 4.3 | 15.9 | 10.8 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 46.2 | 42.6 | 15.2 | 8 |

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The "Traders' Index" of prices of the twenty-five best seling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Ioronto Exchanges mas 261.2 for the month of Way, 1932, as compared with 304.2 for April, 1932, (monthly indexes are simple averages of weekly figures).

Some of the principal changes in price during the month were as follows:National Bremeries fell from $\$ 24.0$ to $\$ 10.9$, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from $\$ 42.5$ to $\$ 31.1$, Bell Telephone from $\$ 92.3$ to $\$ 85.5$, Dominion Textile from $\$ 44.5$ to $\$ 40.0$, Canadian Dredge and Dry Dock from $\$ 12.6$ to $\$ 8.9$, Steel of Canada from $\$ 17.3$ to $\$ 13.5$, C.P.R. from $\$ 14.0$ to $\$ 10.6$, Consumers Gas from $\$ 148.3$ to $\$ 144.9$, Canada Tire and Cable "A" from $\$ 44.2$ to $\$ 41.2$ and Kontreal Tramways from $\$ 103.5$ to $\$ 100!6$. Atlantic Sugar rose from $\$ 20.6$ to $\$ 23.4$.

Sales of International Nickel declined from 60,000 to 37,800, Brazilian from 55,200 to 34,200, McColl-Frontenac Oil from 14,100 to 4,300, Ford "A" from 13,300 to 7,300 , Consolidated Kining and Smelting from 10,200 to 5,000, Bell Telephone from 10,000 to 6,300 and British Oolumbia Power "A" from 6,700 to 3,700. Nontreal Light, Heat and Power mounted from 9,700 to 40,600, National Breweries from 5 to 10,700 and C.P.R. from 30,600 to 38,200 .

1TORE 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 turms over his investments every peek. It is based upon the prices of the 25 best selling Industrial and Fiblic Utility Common Stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges.

| Date | Prices |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1926 | 100 |
| 1929 |  |
| July | 1032,1 |
| August | 1170.1 |
| September | 1230.4 |
| October | 1125.8 |
| November | 769.2 |
| December | 786.7 |
| 1930 |  |
| Jemuary | 828.9 |
| February | 864.3 |
| March | 898.6 |
| Aprid | 1010.9 |
| May | 921.2 |
| $\operatorname{ran}$ e | 821.3 |
| July | 768.6 |
| August | 731.3 |
| September | 778.4 |
| October | 618.1 |
| November | 612.7 |
| December | 596.5 |
| 2931 |  |
| January | 609.8 |
| February | 660.2 |
| March April | 714.3 |
| May | 495.2 |
| June | 464.8 |
| July | 492.1 |
| August | 470.7 |
| September | 394.5 |
| October | 360.6 |
| November | 448.5 |
| December | 390.7 |
| 1932 |  |
| Jamuary | 402.8 |
| February | 400,8 |
| March | 413.6 |
| April | 304.2 |
| May | 261.2 |

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## INVESTORS' IIDEXX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS

The monthly index of rinety-six industrial stocks declined from 58.2 in April to 51.4 in May. All sub-groups, with the exception of Oils, were lower. Iron and steel fell from 62.5 to 44.9 , Miscellaneous from 62.2 to 47.1 , Beverages from 36.1 to 26.3 and Food and Allied Products from 83.2 to 76.5 , while 0 ils rose from 87.7 to 90.1 . Eighteer Utilities dropped from 48.9 to 36 . Power and Traction showing the biggest decline, viz., from 63.7 to 45.0 . Eight Companies located abroad rose from 47.4 to 49.4. In this group, International Petroleum, the Industrial included, mounted from 59.1 to 66.3 while Utilities fell from 37.1 to 34.9 . Eight banks were 65.7 in May as compared with 85.8 in April.

## PREFERRED STOCKS

The index number of tisenty-two preferred stocks was 50.3 in May as compared with 55.8 in April. Abitibi fell from 5.8 to 3.1 , Canada Cement from 50.9 to 33.8, Canadian car and Fowadry, from 12.5 to 11.7 , Moore Preferred "A" from 73.6 to 66.7, Moore Preferreł "B" from 90.0 to 72.0 , Maple Leaf from 11.7 to 8.0, National Breweries from 31.0 to 25.0 and Tuckett from 113.7 to 110.0 .
$\frac{\text { INDEX NUMBERS OF } 22 \text { PREFERRED STOCKS }}{1926-1932}\left(\begin{array}{c}(1926=100)\end{array}\right.$
Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June July AuE. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}1926 & 100.4 & 101.4 & 100.9 & 99.6 & 98.3 & 98.7 & 99.1 & 99.4 & 100.0 & 100.2 & 101.0 & 101.4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllllllll}1927 & 102.1 & 102.5 & 102.7 & 102.6 & 102.5 & 102.1 & 102.5 & 103.8 & 104.8 & 107.8 & 110.8 & 111.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllll}1928 & 111.5 & 110.9 & 109.9 & 111.4 & 111.7 & 111.2 & 110.3 & 107.5 & 107.6 & 106.2 & 104.0 & 107.9\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllll}1929 & 107.4 & 108.1 & 106.8 & 104.3 & 104.3 & 104.8 & 104.8 & 105.6 & 105.1 & 102.9 & 99.8 & 100.4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}1930 & 97.9 & 98.8 & 100.0 & 103.4 & 102.6 & 99.5 & 97.4 & 97.1 & 96.2 & 83.4 & 81.9 & 82.5\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}1931 & 83.2 & 83.4 & 84.2 & 78.8 & 73.8 & 72.6 & 71.8 & 69.1 & 64.2 & 63.9 & 66.5 & 63.0\end{array}$
1932
$\begin{array}{lllll}60.8 & 60.4 & 59.6 & 55.8 & 50.3\end{array}$

## WEIGHIED INDEX NUMBERS OF 20 MINING STOCKS <br> $1926=100$

The weighted index number of twenty mining stocks computed by the Dominion Bureau of statistics on the base 1925-100, was 46.8 for the week ending June $2 n$, as compared with 48.4 for the previous week.

Eleven gold stocks fell from 50.4 to 48.9, four gold-copper stocks from 47.5 to 44.9 , and five silver and miscellaneous stocks remained unchanged at 15.2 .

Among the gold stocks the weelrly average prices behaved as follows:Dome declined from $\$ 10.98$ to $\$ 10.40$, Hollinger from $\$ 4.64$ to $\$ 4.45$, Kirkland Lake from 22申 to 20申, Lake Shore from $\$ 26.91$ to $\$ 25.94$, McIntyre from $\$ 15.04$ to $\$ 15.02$, Sylvanite from $44 \phi$ to $42 \phi$, Teck-Hughes from $\$ 3.37$ to $\$ 3.30$ and Vipond Consolidated from $26 \phi$ to $24 \phi$. Premier rose from $37 \phi$ to $41 \phi$ and Tright-Hargreaves from $\$ 2.18$ to $\$ 2.20$.

Average weekly prices were lower for two and unchanged for two of the goldcopper stocks. Noranda dropped from $\$ 14.34$ to $\$ 13.51$ and Sherritt-Gordon from $22 \phi$ to 20 .

In the silver and miscellaneous group, Castle-Trethewey rose from $10 \phi$ to
$11 \phi$.



## purpose of Mraders' and Investors I Index Numbers

The Investors' Index Nurbers measure the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

The Tradersi Index measures the trend of gains or losses for a trader on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges, who buys and sells the leading cormon stocks in the same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole at the mathematical average price of the week and who turns over his investments every woek.
$\pi$ Revised index figures.

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1926 = 100
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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 May, being 113.2 as compared th 111.3 for April. The index is based on information received from hessrs. Mood, Gundy and Company Limited, showing the yield on these jonds to be on a $5.42 \%$ basis for May.

Index liumbers of Interest Rates in Canada Calculated From Yields of Ontario Bonds,1900-1932.
ase $1926=100$

|  | 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 |
| Deceraber | 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 | $19 ? 2$ | $19 ? 3$ |
| January | 109:6 | 100.2 | 125.3 | 121.1 | 120:0 |  | 125.3 | 116.9 | 112.7 |
| $\Delta \mathrm{April}$ | 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 |
| Deceraber | 102.3 | 125.3 | 125.3 | 120.0 | 128.4 |  | 119.4 | 113.2 | 107.3 |
|  | 1924 | $19 ? 5$ | 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 | 88.71 | 101.3 | 101.3 | 92.9 | 110.6 |
| April | 106.1 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 95.2 | 88.71 | 103.3 | 101.3 | 92.9 | 111.3 |
| May | 106.1 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 90.810 | 104.4 | 101:3 | 91.9 | 113.2 |
| June | 105.8 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 91:9 103 | 103.3 | 100:8 | 91.9 |  |
| July | 103.5 | 99.2 | 100:2 | 95.0 | 93.910 | 103.3 | 100:2 | 92.9 |  |
| August | 99.2 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 96.010 | 102.3 | 96:0 | 91:9 |  |
| September | 99,2 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 96.01 | 104.4 | 92.9 | 97:1 |  |
| October | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 93.9 | 95.010 | 103.3 | 93.9 | 103.3 |  |
| November | 99.2 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 93.3 | 95.01 | 103.3 | 93.9 | 105.4 |  |
| Deceraber | 99.2 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 90.8 | 96.01 | 102.3 | 93.9 | 108.6 |  |

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Note: The nomin closing quotati ns in Genadian funds upon wiich these averages arc bascu, have been supplied by the Bank of hontreal.

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MONTHLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCKS PRICES, 1928-1931.

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

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 421 \text { Stocks } \end{aligned}$ | Industrial <br> 351 Stocks | Railroads <br> 33 Stocks | Utilities 34 Stocks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2228 |  |  |  |  |
| Nanuary | 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 |
| 1929 |  |  |  |  |
| 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 |
| Nay | 187.8 | 192.6 | 138.7 | 212.3 |
| iune | 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 |
| 1930 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 156.3 | 148.8 | 136.5 | 208.7 |
| February | 165.5 | 155.9 | 142.5 | 230.6 |
| Narch | 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 |
| uuly | 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 |
| Nov ember | 116.7 | 108.5 | 102.1 | 167.4 |
| December | 109.4 | 101.9 | 93.5 | 157.9 |
| 1931 |  |  |  |  |
| 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. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |
| 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 |
| Sentember | 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 |
| 1932 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 58.0 | 54.4 | 36.6 | 94.4 |
| February | 56.5 | 52.9 | 34.2 | 92.8 |
| Narch | 56.8 | 53.8 | 32.1 | 93.4 |
| April | 43.9 | 41.7 | 22.2 | 73.3 |
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## WHOTESALE

The hesitant action of index numbers of wholesale prices apparent in the past two months, gave way again in fipil to a definite decline. practically no advances were recorded.

The Board of Trade index for the United Kingdom showed sharp reductions for cersals, other foods, textiles, and miscellaneous items, which far outweighed an advance for meat and fish. The Economist's weekly index for May 4 th indicated sterling prices to be 103.3 as cormaped with 100 for September 18th, 1931. Gold prices in that intervsi have fallen to 83.4. Corresponding golic indexes on the same base, for kay 4th, 1932, were given as follows: Uaited States 89.3, France 96.8, Italy 94.6, and Germany 59.8.

The Economist's correspondent in Austria has reported that while prices there had been paralleling those in gold standard countries up to last September; since ihat time Austrian price levels have advanced aver 27 poc. above gold levels.

The deline registered by the index of the Statistique Generale for France was attributed solely to imported products which dropped ton points to 298 for April. Domestic products rose one point to 494 (July $2914=100$ ).

The United States Eureau of Labor Statistics index showed sub-groups for farm products, foods, hides and leather, textiles, metals, building materials, chemicals and drugs, and miscellaneous items to be lower. Increases were indicated for fuel and lighting items, and household furnishing goocs.

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

| cointry | $\begin{array}{\|r} \text { April } \\ 1932 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ \quad 1932 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } \\ 1931 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { April, 193-for poc. } \\ & \text { compured with } \end{aligned}$ |  | Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | March 1932 | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } \\ 193: . \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Austria | 112 | 113 | 108 | -0.9 | $+3.7$ | Federal Statistical Office, Jan.-July, 1914:100 |
| Belgium | 539 | 548 | 652 | - 1.6 | $-17.3$ | Ministry of Industry and Labour, April, 1914=100 |
| Canada | 68.4 | 69.1 | 74.5 | - 1.0 | - 8.2 | Dom. Bureau of Statistics, $1926=100$ |
| Denmark | 115 | 117 | 215 | $-3.7$ | unchanged | Official, 1913-100 |
| Finland | 89 | 92 | 85 | $-3.3$ | +4.7 | Official, 1926al00 |
| France | 439 | 444 | 540 | $-1.1$ | $-18.7$ | Statistique Générale,1913-100 |
| Holland | 80 | 82 | 102 | - 2.4 | -21.6 | Central Bureau of Statistics, $1913=100$ |
| Hingary | 97 | 99 | 93 | - 2.0 | $+4.3$ | Official, 1913m100 |
| Italy | 311 | 315 | 337 | $-1.3$ | - 7.7 | Bachi, 1913-100 |
| Japan | 116.5 | 119.8 | 119.3 | $-2.8$ | $-2.3$ | Bank of Japan, 1913*100 |
| Norway | 120 | 122 | 123 | $-7.6$ | $-2,4$ | Official, $1913=100$ |
| Sweden | 109 | 109 | 212 | wrcharstedid | $-2.7$ | Commerce Department, 1913=100 |
| United Kingdom | 102.4 | 104.6 | 105.7 | $-2.1$ | - 3.1 | Board of Trade, 1913-100 |
| United States | 65.5 | 56.0 | 74.8 | - 0.8 | $-12.4$ | Bureau of Labor Statistics, $1926=100$ |

## TORLD PPICE MOVEMFNTS, APRIL, 1932. <br> COST OF LIVING

Declines definitely dominated movements of cost of living index numbers during April, al though there were a few outstanding exceptions to this statement. Series listed below for Paris, Poland, and Peiping advanced appreciably.

Foods were responsible for the fall in the Ministry of Labour series for the United Kingdom. Butter, cheese, and milk were lower, while tea prices showed an increase following the new duty of $2 d$. per 1 l .

Foods, rent, fuel, clothing and miscellaneous items all contributed to the reduction in the German cost of living index.

A similar general recession was registered by the National Industrial Conference Board index for the United States.

A sharp increase in the food group caused the index for poland to move higher.

Cormarative Cost of Living Data for April, 1932,
Karoh, 1932 and April, 1931.

| Country | $\begin{aligned} & \text { April } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { April } \\ & 1931 \end{aligned}$ | Apri2 1932tor-p.c. compared with |  | index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } \\ 1931 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Austria | 107 | 108 | 104 | -0.9 | $+2.9$ | Cost of Living |
| Canada | 83.7 | 83.9 | 91.6 | - 0.2 | 8. | Vienna, July, 1014 |
| China | 97.8 | 91.0 | 98.9 | $+7.5$ | - 1.1 | Statistics,1926-100 <br> Cost of Liv?:g. <br> Peipine 1927=100 |
| Denmark | 155 | - | 157 | - | - 1.3 | Cost of Living, 100 Localities, July, $1914=100$ |
| Finland | 134 | 136 | 137 | - 1.5 | - 2.2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cost of Living - } 21 \\ & \text { Tomns, Jan -June, } \\ & 1914=100 \end{aligned}$ |
| France | 566 | 564 | 614 | $+0.4$ | -11.7 | 13 Articles, 11 Foods, Paris, July, 1914=100 |
| Germany | 121.7 | 122.4 | 137.2 | -0.5 | -11.3 | Cost of Living, 72 Torms, 1913/14.100 |
| Hungary | 97 | 98 | 100 | - 1.0 | - 3.0 | cost of Living. Budapest, 1913=100 |
| Japan | 135 | 136 | 140 | -0.7 | - 3.6 | Cost of Living, Tokio, July, 1914=100 |
| Norway | 150 | 150 | 154 | unchanged | - 2.6 | Cost of Living, July, $1914=100$ |
| Poland | 82.1 | 79.6 | 89.4 | $+3.1$ | - 8.2 | Cont of Living, Warsaw, $1927=100$ |
| Swoden | 125 | 127 | 132 | - 2.6 | - 5.3 | 44 Foods, 49 Towns. July, $1914=100$ |
| United Kingdom | 144 | 146 | 147 | - 1.4 | -2.0 | Ministry of Labour. July, 1914=100 |
| United States | 78.8 | 79.6 | 88.2 | - 1.0 | -10.7 | National Industrial Conference Board, 1923:=100 |


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

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[^0](b) End of Lionth. (c) Revised from 1924.



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| COUNTRY | ITSLY |  | FINLAND |  |  |  | POLAND | RUSSIA | ESTONIA | BULGAFIA | HUNGAKY | CTECHO-SLOV KIA |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Authority | Bachi | liilan Chamb | Bank | Finland |  | icial | Commerce Report 8 | Official | Official | National <br> Bank | Official | General Bureau of Statistics |
| No. of Commadities | 138 | 125 | Impor | Exports, | 135 | 139 | 73 | 10 | 44 | 39 | 52 | 126 |
| Base Period | 1913 | 1913 |  | 13 - | 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 |  | 100 |  |
| 1914 |  |  | 106 | 103 | 103 |  |  |  |  | 100 |  | 100 July |
| 1918 |  |  | 741 | 415 | 585 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1919 |  |  | 755 | 441 | 733 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1920 |  |  | 1387 1329 | 1053 | 1183 1263 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1921 | 531 | $517(1)$ | 1329 | 1213 | 1263 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1922 | 508 | 529 | 1072 | 1180 | 1219 |  |  | 96 | 113 |  |  | 1334 |
| 1923 | 512 | 536 | 915 | 1145 | 1095 |  |  | 169 | 114 |  | 122 | 977 |
| 1924 | 512 | 554 | 958 | 1090 | 2100 |  |  | 172 | 116 | 110 | 138 | 997 |
| 1925 | 596 | 646 | 1052 | 1111 | 1129 |  |  | 183 | 124 | 125 | 140 | 1008 |
| 1926 | 603 | 654 | 984 | 1092 | 1088 | 100(d) |  | 177 | 114 | 114 | 124 | 954 |
| 1927 | 495 | 527 | 945 | 1092 | 1133 | 101 | 100.0 | 171 | 114 | 116 | 132 | 979 |
| 1928 | 462 | 491 | 955 | 1092 | 1110 | 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 | 118.6 (d) |
| 1931 | 330 (a) | 342 | 634. | 809 |  | 84 | $\begin{aligned} & 70.5 \\ & (e) \end{aligned}$ |  | 91 | 84 | (a) | 107.5 |
| 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 | 320 319 | 329 326 | 626 | 809 809 |  | 87 92 | 68.2 66.4 |  | 86 85 | 81 | 99 | 103.8 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 1932 \end{aligned}$ | 319 | 326 | 634 | 809 |  | 92 | 66.4 |  | 85 | 79 | 99 | 102.3 |
| January | 317 | 326 | 776 | 821 |  | 94 | 63.9 |  | 85 | 78 | 98 | 101.4 |
| February | 314 | 323 | 783 | 836 |  | 93 | 64.6 |  | 85 | 77 | 99 | 101.4 |
| March | 315 311 | 322 | 780 | 826 |  | 92 89 | 64.0 |  | 86 |  | 99 | 100.7 |
| April | 311 | 319 |  |  |  | 89 |  |  |  |  | 97 |  |


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(a) Average of tharteon months. (b) End of month. (c) Fut te日nth of morthe(日) Indexes prior to 1926 converted to new base.

(a) First half of year. (b) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (c) Recalculated on lg2b base. (d) New index, $1923=100$. (e) First of month. (f) Fifteenth of month.

| COUNTRY | GERMANY |  | BELGIUM |  | POL ND C |  | CZECHO-SLOVAKI 4 GRLECE |  |  | HUNGMRY |  | Bulgriria |  | ROUNiANIA |
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| Nature of Index | Cost of Living 72 towns | Food 72 Towns | Cost of Living | Foods <br> 59 Locel- <br> ities | Cost of Living War saw | Food War saw | Cost of <br> Living <br> Prague | Cost of <br> Living <br> 44 Town | Food <br>  <br> 84 Tbms | Cost of Living Budapest | Food <br> Buda- <br> pest | Cost of Living 65 Towns | Food 65 Towns | Cost of Living <br> 71 Towns |
| Base |  |  |  |  |  |  | July, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Period | 1913/1914 | 1913/1914 | 1921 | 1921 | 1927 | 1927 | 1914 | 1914 | 1914 | 1913 | 1913 | 1914 | 1914 | d914 |
| Date |  |  |  |  | (c) | (c) | (d) | (i) | (i) | (i) | (i) | (d) (h) | (d) $(\mathrm{h})$ | (d) (g) |
| 1913 | 100 | 100 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1914 | 100 | 100 |  |  |  |  | 100Juls | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 1918 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.234 | 1.124 |  |
| 1919 1920 | 1065 July | 1252 July |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.858 | 1.610 |  |
| 1921 | 1250 July | 1491 July | 100 | 100 |  |  |  | 398 | 393 |  |  | 1.919 | 1.702 | 1.305 |
| 1922 | 5392 July | 6836 July | 93 | 90 |  |  |  | 636 | 632 |  |  | 2.619 | 2.257 | 1.633 |
| 1923 | 3765100 July | 4651000 July | 109 | 106 |  |  | (f) 692 | 1181 | 1213 |  |  | 2.477 | 2.335 | 2.400 |
| 1924 | (a) 127.6 | ( a)136.3 | 128 | 127 |  |  | 695 | 1235 | 1271 | 100( j ) | 145 (j) | 2.833 | 2.650 | 2.660 |
| 1925 | 139.8 | 147.8 | 136 | 137 |  |  | 724 | 1414 | 1455 | 112 | 132 | 3.014 | 2.951 | 3.180 |
| 1926 | 141.2 | 144.4 | 165 | 171 |  |  | 716 | 1633 | 1673 | 103 | 115 | 2.886 | 2.760 | 3.390 |
| 1927 | 147.6 | 151.9 | 203 | 208 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 747 | 1790 | 1843 | 100 | 126 | 2.788 | 2.692 | 3.900 |
| 1928 | 151.7 | 152.3 | 208 | 207 | 100.5 | 98.0 | 748 | 125.6 | 130.6 | 118 | 131 | 2.911 | 2.819 | 4.086 |
| 1929 | 153.8 | 154.5 | 220 | 218 | 101.9 | 95.1 | 744 | 129.3 | 133.6 | 119 | 127 | 122.7 | 119.7 | 131.4 , |
| 1930 | 147.3 | 142.9 | 228 | 209 | 94.9 | 82.0 | (d) 109.0 | (i) 113.1 | (m) 115.6 | 106 | 105 | 106.6 | 98.3 | 130.7 \% |
| 1931 | 135.9 | 127.6 | 204 | 176 | 86.3 | 72.4 | 104.5 | 1112.4 | 106.0 | 101 | 96 | 81.4 | 80.9 | 93.1 , |
| 1931 |  |  | (k) |  | (b) | (b) | (e) |  |  | (b) |  |  |  |  |
| April | 137.2 | 129.2 | 207 | 180 | 89.4 | 76.4 | 105.3 | 113.1 | 107.1 | 100 | 96 | 80.7 | 80.0 81.0 | 95.4 95.4 |
| May | 137.3 | 129.9 | 205 | 177 | 89.4 | 77.2 | 105.6 | 112.8 | 106.9 | 100 | 97 | 81.4 | 81.0 80.8 | 95.4 94.0 |
| June | 137.8 | 130.9 | 205 | 177 | 88.4 | 75.91 | 106.8 | 112.2 | 106.0 | 100 | 97 | 81.3 | 80.8 | 94.0 |
| July | 137.4 | 130.4 | 203 | 175 | 86.3 | 72.9 | 106.6 | 111.5 | 105.3 | 102 | 99 | 81.6 | 81.0 | 92.1 |
| August | 134.9 | 126.1 | 201 | 172 | 84.5 | 70.8 | 103.7 | 110.5 | 102.9 | 102 | 100 | 79.3 | 78.1 | 91.1 |
| September | 134.0 | 124.9 | 201 | 173 | .84.2 | 70.3 | 104.6 | 109.8 | 102.7 | 103 | 100 | 76.2 | 77.3 | 89.4 |
| October | 133.1 | 123.4 | 200 | 170 | 82.8 | 68.3 | -103.5 | 110.3 | 102.8 | 102 | 97 | 78.4 | 77.6 | 88.4 |
| Nav ember | 131.9 | 121.8 | 198 | 168 | 83.7 | 69.6 | 101.8 | 110.7 | 103.7 | 100 | 94 | 81.1 | 80.7 | 87.3 |
| December | 130.4 | 119.9 | 193 | 161 | 83.3 | 69.1 | 101.6 | 110.7 | 103.7 | 100 | 93 | 80.3 | 79.8 | 86.1 |
| 1932 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 124.5 | 116.1 | 190 | 157 | 80.4 | 65.0 | 101.7 | 110.5 | 103.4 | 99 | 92 | 77.7 | 77.1 | 84.4 |
| February | 122.3 | 113.9 | 186 | 151 | 80.5 | 65.2 | 100.5 | 109.7 | 102.6 | 98 | 90 | 76.4 | 75.7 | 82.4 |
| March | 122.4 | 114.4 |  |  | 79.6 | 64.5 | 103.5 |  |  | 98 | 90 |  |  |  |
| April | 121.7 | 113.4 |  |  | 82.1 | 68.2 |  |  |  | 97 | 90 |  |  |  |


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(a) Goid Index, since 1926, now Earios. (b) Since 1926 new indexe (c) December. (d) fifteonth of lionthe (e) Since 1927, ner: saries.
(f) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (g) Last week of Month.

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 gold index. (g) Revisod from May, 1931.
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(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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[^0]:    (a) Since 1924, new series.

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