## PRICES \& PRICE INDEXES

## AUGUST 1941

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PRICE MOVEMENTS, AUGUST, 1941.
WHOLESALE: Wholesale price iovels continued to adrance during Ausust, following a minor check in the week ending August 1st. Between August 1st and 29th the general wholesale index of 567 price series advanced steadily from 91.0 to 91.9 , a rate of increase which was characteristic of the preceding four months. The principal August price advances occurred in vegetable products, animal products and textiles with smaller gains in wood. products, iron products, non-metallic minerals, and chemicals. Between August lst and 29th, an index of industrial material prices moved up from 90.3 to 90.7 , while Canadian Farm Products rose from 71.2 to 72.6 .
COST TF LIVING: (Yartime increase 12.8 per cent-from 100.8 to 113.7 ) The Dominion Bureau of Statistics cost-of-11ving index for Canada advanced from 111.9 on July 2 to 113.7 on Aurust 1, 1941. This index which has been specified as the basis for calculating costof living bonus adjustments under Order-in-Council P.C. 7440, has increased 12.8 per cent between August, 1939 and August, 1941. The sharp rise between July 2 and August 1 was due mainly to higher food prices. The food index advanced 4.7 points to 121.3 , and this alone would have been sufficient to increase the general index by 1.5 points. Residual increases in clothing, home furnishings, and the miscellaneous groups combined to add a further 0.3 points to the general increase of 1.8 points. In the food section, lower prices for vegetables were overbalanced by advances in all other sub-group indexes. The most important increases were recorded for dalry products, meats, and eggs. Group indexes for July 2 and Aucust 1, 1941, were as follows: Foods 116.6 and 121.3 , clothing 115.1 and 115.7 , home furnishings and services 113.0 and 114.3 , miscellaneous items 105.6 and 106.1. The rent and fuel indexes were unchanced at 109.7 and 110.5 respectively. SFCTRITIES: Common stock prices held most of July gains during the first three weeks of Aufust and then turned upward again towards the close. The August average for the Investors index was 67.8 as compared with 67.5 for July. The Industrial group average moved up fror 64.0 to 64.4 , with Utilities advancing from 70.0 to 71.2 . Closing strength was most pronounced among pulp and paper, beverages and building material groups. The Aufust average price index of 74.6 for a group of 25 mining issues was unchanged frm its July level. The gold section eased from 66.2 to 66.0 , but base metals rose from 91.3 to 91.7 . An index of Dominion of Canada long-term bond prices stiffened from 100.8 in July to 101.2 for August.

SUMMARY OF PRICE INDEXES
(1926-100 for Wholesale Prices)
(1935-39=100 for Cost of Ifving and Security Prices)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } \\ & 1940 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jul y } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | August, 1941 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Week end ed - |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 7 th | 14th | 21st | 28 th |
| MTR LESALE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General - 567 Price Series | 82.6 | 91.1 | 91.2 | 91.4 | 91.8 | 91.9 |
| Industrial Materials | 78.1 | 89.3 | 90.1 | 90.4 | 90.6 | $90 . ?$ |
| Canadian Farm Products | 62.7 | 71.7 | 71.5 | 72.1 | 72.8 | 72.6 |
| COST OF LIVING (lst of month) | 105.9 | 111.9 | +- |  |  |  |
| Investors Price Index (95 common stocks). | 69.3 | 67.5 | 68.1 | 69.5 | .87-7 |  |
| 68 Industrials ........................... | 65.8 | 64.0 | 64.8 | 63.9 | 64.2 | 64.5 |
| 19 Utilities | 73.6 | 70.6 | 71.5 | 71.2 | 70.8 | 71.4 |
| Mining Stock Price Index ( 25 stocks) ..... | 71.0 | 74.6 | 75.2 | 74.8 | 74.1 | 74.4 |
| 22 Golds .................................... | 64.6 | 66.2 | 66.2 | 66.3 | 65.5 | 66.0 |
| 3 Base Metals | 83.7 | 91.3 | 92.9 | 91.7 | 91.1 | 91.2 |
| Dominion of Canada Long-Term Bonds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Price Index ..................................... | 99.1 | 100.8 | 101.1 | 101.2 | 101.3 | 101.3 |
| Yield Index ................................ | 100.0 | 95.8 | 95.6 | 95.3 | 95.3 | 95.3 |
| FOREIGN EXCTANGE QUOTATIONS - noon rates (Bank of Canada) at Montreal) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. dollars x ..........................dollars | 1.105 |  | 1.105 | 1.105 |  |  |
| Sterling I ........................dollars | 4.450 | 4.450 | 4.450 | 4.450 | 4.450 | $4.450$ |

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## REVIEW OF INPORTANT COMN:ODITY NAIR.ETS

WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS: W1th the exception of those for wheat, cash grain prices showed a firmer tone during August. Reflecting announcement of a record carryover of more than 480 million bushels coupled with limited export possibilities, top-grade wheat quotations closed the opening month of the 1941-42 crop year with losses of about $3 / 4$ of a cent per bushel. Both No. 1 and No. 2 Manitoba northern wheat, Fort William and port Arthur basis eased that amount to $10 s e$ at $715 / 8 \phi$ and $691 / 8_{q}$ per bushel respectively. Somewhat offsetting the report of a heavy carryover were private estimates that western wheat production for the current season would not exceed 300 million bushels. In addition, rains have hindered harvesting operations to such an extent that grades will be lewer than anticipated earlier. Wheat exports during August showed a drop, being 12 million bushels as against 13 millions in July.

Southern hemisphere crop conditions showed some improvement during the month, although the Australien molsture situation was still very unfavourable and much will dopend on rains in the ensuing few weeks. In the united states, latest private estimates of the spring wheat crop averaged 269 milli n bushels or some 3 million bushels above the Government's August lst estimate. Following establishment of agricultural parity prices, wheat qustations in the United States have risen to a point far above world export price levils. Fowever, vetoeing by the president of a United States bill to 'freeze' Government stocks of wheat and cotton was a bearish price factor. In England farmers will recelve fixed price of $14 / 6$ per 112 lbs , at the farm for this season's wheat crop (about $\$ 1.57$ per bushel U.S. funds) while in Italy basic guaranteed wheat prices to erowers will remain unchanged at 155 lire per quintal (about ${ }^{\text {}} 2.22$ per bushel TJ.S. funds) for bread wheat delivered in bulk to official collecting agencies; for durum a price of 170 lire will be paid (费2.43 per bushel).

Domestic coarse grain prices showed sharp increases during August, reflecting lower crop outturns and increased feed requirements. Registering the sharpest increase, oats No. 2 C.W. advanced from $385 / 8 \not \subset$ per bushel at the end of July to $481 / 4 \phi$ on August 30 , the highest level touched for this grade since May 1938. Barley, No. 1 feed moved up from $467 / 8 \epsilon$ to $485 / 8 \phi$ during the same interval, while rye No. 2 C. W. blosed up $13 / 4 \phi$ at $545 / 8 \phi$ per bushel. Flax No. 1 C.W. gained $4 \phi$ to $\$ 1.47$ after touching $\$ 1.483 / 4$ on the 28th.

| Description (Basis, cash per bushel, | 1940 <br> August | 1941 <br> July | $\begin{gathered} 1941 \\ \text { August } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fort William \& Port Arthur) | ¢ | 4 | ¢ |
| No. 1 Manitoba Northern wheat | 72.2 | 74.7 | 73.3 |
| No. 2 Canada Western oats | 29.0 | 40.3 | 45.3 |
| No. 2 Canad Western rye | 41.6 | 55.0 | 54.7 |
| No. 1 feed barley | 32.1 | 52.4 | 48.1 |
| No. 1 Canada Western Plax | 131.9 | 158.7 | 145.4 |

RAW RUBBER: Raw mubber prices at New York showed little net ohange during August. As the month closed first latex thick crepe sheets, i.o.b. liew York, were quoted at $243 / 8 \phi$ per pound as against $241 / 2 \phi$ on July 31 , while quotations for Ceylon plantation ribbed smoked sheets on the same dates were $231 / 8 申$ and $231 / 4 \phi$ per pound. Between the final weeks of July and August the Bureau's weekly index of raw rubber prices on the base $1926=100$ moved down from 59.2 to 58.9 . In response to a request from the O.P.A.C.S., suspension of trading in raw rubber futures was announced on August 13 , thus making the United States Rubber Reserve Company the sole import buyer of crude rubber. An increase in permissible export quotas of $20 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. to $120 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. for the fourth quarter of 1941 was announced by the International Rubber Regulation Conmittee at a meeting hold on August 19th. United States rubber consumption dropped from 68,653 tons in July to 55,365 tons in August in conformance with orders from the D.P.M., though over the same period total stocks of raw rubber rose to a new record level of 444,890 tons.

Description
Raw rubber, per lb., at New York
(See above dates)
(Canadian funds)
Standard latex crepe sheets ................ 23.9 28.9 29.8
Ceylon ribbed smoked sheets ............... 24.42823 .3
FLOUR AND OTYER MILLED PRODUCTS: A further drop in spring wheat ilour prices was noted at eastern Canadian centres during August, while quotations at western points showed no net change. At Toronto first patent flour carlots, declined from $\$ 5.15$ per barrel of 2-98's cotton in the final week of July to $\$ 4.95$ for the week of August 29. For a corresponding grade at winnipeg, prices closed at $\$ 5.10$ per barrel for no net change after touching $\$ 5.20$ in the third week of the month. Ontario winter whe at flour showed strength, a final quotation for the month of $\$ 5.50$ per barrel, carlots, Montreal


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rate points indicating a net increase of $80 \%$. Nillers reported domestic demand light during most of August, following heavy buying in the closing weeks of the preceding crop year. As it was ruled thet buyers have to pay the processing tax on all orders placed prior to July 31, considerable complaint resulted. In the export market the Cereal Import Committee took a limited quantity while customary amounts were sold to Newfoundland and the West Indies. The August 9 th price for August shipment of vitaminized flour for export to the United Kingdom was 26s. 9d. per 280 lbs. jute, f.o.b. Nontreal seaboard. Trading in Ontario winter wheat flour was greatly reduced following the sharp rise in prices. Among other milled products oatmeal and rolled oats prices showed considerable increases over the month, reflecting the advance in oats. At the end of Ausust, oatmeal in 25-bag lots at Toronto was up $30 \%$ per $98-1 \mathrm{~b}$. sack at $\$ 3.70$, while rolled oats on the same basis advanced a like amount to $\$ 3.05$ per $80-1 \mathrm{~b}$. bag. Table cornmeal recorded no change at 3.15 per $98-1 \mathrm{~b}$. bag $\mathrm{f}, 0, \mathrm{~b}$. Montreal. In the millfeeds section with domestic quotations still set by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, there was no Ausust price change for bran at $\$ 24.50$ per ton and shorts at $\$ 25.50$ per ton, Ontario, and Montreal lake and rail points. However, owing to exceptional domestic demand coupled with scarcity of supplies, a Government order prohibiting all exports of millfeeds was passed during the latter part of the month.


## IIVESTOCK: Although lamb markets showed seasonal weakness and hogs eased

 slightly, the Bureau's Index of live stock pri ces rose from 113.9 in July to 114.6 in August. Throughout the month, cattle markets generally favoured sellers and were not depressed by increases in offerings. Exports to the United States were well maintained and domestic buying strengthened as consumer demand for beef reached unusual proportions for August. Shipments to Canadian yards and plants totalled 110,413 head in August ngainst 108,837 in July and $116 ; 817$ head in August 1940. Good steers up to 1050 pounds at Toronto, eased from $\$ 8.84$ to $\$ 8.72$ per cwt . between the wecks of August 1 and 22, but closed as $\$ 8.82$ per cwt. Winnipeg prices for this grade held at $\$ 8.50$ per cwt. till the week of the 15 th and then rose 25 weekly to 9.00 per cwt. by the 29 th. Calf markets were strong and prices advanced more than 8 p.c. between July and August. An index of hog prices declined from 83.8 to 82.8 , and lambs from 104.2 to 93.8 during this period.|  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| - at Toronto ... | 8.20 | 8.71 | 8.79 |
| Winnipeg . | 7.20 | 8.50 | 8.70 |
| Good veal calves, per cwt. at Toranto... | 10.35 | 11.31 | 12.36 |
| Winnipeg . | 7.59 | 9.44 | 9.88 |
| Hogs Bl dressed weight, per cwt. |  |  |  |
| at Toronto ... | 8.81(a) | 14.62 | 14.62 |
| Winnipeg. | 8.05 (a) | 13.87 | 13.59 |
| Lambs, good handyweight, per |  |  |  |
| cwt. at Toronto... | 10.11 | 13.51 | 12.01 |
| Winnipeg。 | 8.09 | 11.30 | 10.11 |

(a) Bacon hogs live welght. Estimated at about $75 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. of dressed weight.

EGGS: Continued strength in Canadian egg markets ralsed an index of wholesale prices for eight regional cities fiom 71.8 in July to 79.2 in August. Grade A large averaged $38.4 d$ per dozen, $44 / 5$ d per dozen above July, while B's and C's were each more than $2 d$ per dozen higher than in the previous month. Supplies about balanced demand as shortages at eastern points were relieved by shipments fram the prairie provinces. Production throughout Canada held at high levels in August. General quality of offerings showed improvement and volume of pullet eges increased considerably towards the close of the month. Around mid-month, shipments from the rest slackened and prices eased, but later recovered to close at or above opening levels. At Tancouver, grade A large rose 3 d per dozen in the week of the 15 th and held there till the end of the month. Although receipts at Vancouver remained heavy, aitive demand, particularly fram northern areas of the Province and Vancouver Island, took care of surpluses. Cold storage stocks were shown by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at 11,085,000 dozen on September 1 against $10,688,000$ dozen on Aueust 1 and $8,604,000$ dozen on September 1, 1940.



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BUTMER: Advances in butter prices at $s i \pi$ representative Canadian cities ranging from $\overline{T / 10 \%}$ in the east to $4 d$ per pound on the west coast brought the August average up to 37.8 d per pound about $7 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. above the July level. Offerings and receipts were reported light throughout the month. Production at 35,354,000 pounds was 3,982,000 pounds less than in July, while domestic distribution increased by 436,000 pounds to a total of $24,755,000$ pounds. As reported by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistios, cold storage stocks of creamery butter rose more than 11,000,000 pounds during the month of August to a total of $61,996,000$ pounds on September 1 .

Description


COTPON: W1de fluctuations featured United States cotton markets in the first part of August, as the trade watched the progress of the proposed amendment to the Fulmer bill. Raw cotton $15 / 16$ at New York fell more than $1 \not \subset$ per pound between August 2 and 12, but on the adoption of the amendment, recovered to close almost at the month's high of $17.60^{\prime}$ (U.S. funds) per pound. Demand was active at the lower price level, but eased with the rising market. Southern offerings were limited throughout the month, and further insect damage to the new orop was reported. The fificial forecast placed the new crop at $10,817,000$ bales on August $1,14 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. less than last year and $18 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. below the ten-year average (1930-39). Following the issuance of the crop report, partioulars of the new loen programme were announced, whereby "Cooperating producers will be eligible for loans on all 1941 output at a rate based on $85 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. of parity pricesien August 1." Calculatod on this basis, rates on $7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ cotton, gross weight, averaged 14.02d per pound, compared with the 1940 rate of $8,9 \%$ per pound.

Cenadian mill consumption of American cotton reached a reoord of 46,852 bales in July, and it was estimated that August absoxption would equal or exceed this amount.
(See dates above)
Description
Raw cotton $15 / 16^{\circ}$ per pound, at New York
(Canadian funds)

| $\phi$ | $\phi$ | $\phi$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $12.0(a)$ | 20.2 | 20.8 |

(a) $7 / 8^{\circ}$

LIMBER AND TIMBER: Du to a number of scattered pri ce increases weekly indexes for certain lumber groups showed advanees during August. Principal among them was a sharp advance for cedar, the weekly index for this group moving up from 135.3 to 156.0 between August 8 and 15, due to a substantial advance in the export price of red ceder shingles coupled with minor advances for bungalow siding and shiplap. Between the same dates a moderate rise in fir casing as well as No. 1 and No. 2 clear fir lumber advanoed the composite fir index from 114.7 to 118.2 , while the spuce series moved up fram 120.8 to 121.4 , reflecting a $\$ 1.00$ per thousand increase to $\$ 45.00$ per thousand feet board measure for quebec spmuce luber. Other groups were unchanged at 126.7 for white pine; 104.1 for hardwoods and 131.1 for hemlock. While heavy rail trade continued, transAtlentio shipments have shown substantial improvement during the past two months. Estimates indicatethat 60 to 65 million feet were loaded in British Columbia for the transcontinental run during August. Lumber exports to the United States also continued to move at a high level.

Description (Price Indexes 1926=100)

| Pine lumber | 112.4 | 126.7 | 126.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Spruce lumber | 100.7 | 120.8 | 121.4 |
| Cedar lumber | 114.7 | 135.3 | 156.0 |
| Fir lumber | 106.2 | 114.7 | 118.2 |

INDFX NUMBERS OF INDUSTRIAL MATMRIAL PRICES

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Price } \\ & \text { Series } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Vearly } \\ & \text { Average } \\ & 1940 \end{aligned}$ | August 1940 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | $\text { August } 1941$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INTUSTRIAL MAT RIAT PRICFS. |  | 79.0 | 78.1 |  |  |  |
|  | 12 | 101.? | 103.8 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 90.8 110.6 |
| Sensitive. | 18 | 66.8 | 64.6 | 75.6 | 177.5 | 110.6 79.5 |
| Manulacturing | 13 | 65.9 | 63.9 | 75.4 | 77.6 | 79.7 |
| Food | 5 | 69.1 | 66.5 | 76.1 | 77.2 | 79.0 |



SUMMARY TABIES OF CANADIAN WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

|  | :General <br> : Wholesale <br> : Price <br> : Index <br> : | Consumers <br> : Goods <br> ; <br> : | "Producers' <br> 1. Goods <br> : <br> : | :Building <br> :Materials | : Raw and <br> : Party <br> : Manu- <br> : factured <br> : Goods | :Fully and : <br> - Chiefly <br> : Manu- <br> - factured. <br> : Goods : | Canadian Farm Products | Principal <br> Imparts | Principal Exports | Industrial <br> Materials | :Thirteen <br> : Sensi- <br> s tive <br> : Materials <br> $:$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1913................ | 64.0 | 62.0 | -67.7 | 67.0 | 63.8 | 64.8 | 64.1 | 73.0 | 64.7 | - |  |
| 1920. | 155.9 | 136.1 | 164.3 | 144.0 | 154.1 | 156.5 | 160.6 | 158.8 | 158.1 | - | - |
| 1929. | 95.6 | 94.7 | 96.1 | 99.0 | 97.5 | 93.0 | 100.8 | 94.2 | 92.2 | 91.8 | 87.2 |
| 1933................ | 67.1 | 71.1 | 63.1 | 78.3 | 36.6 | 70.2 | 51.0 | 73.0 | 55.2 | 54.1 | 43.8 |
| 1939................. | 75.4 | 75.9 | 70.4 | 89.7 | 67.4 | 75.3 | 64.3 | 84.7 | 63.5 | 69.0 | 57.0 |
| 1940................ | 82.9 | 83.4 | 78.7 | 95.6 | 75.3 | 81.5 | 67.1 | 96.0 | 71.9 | 79.0 | 65.9 |
| 1939 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June................. | 73.2 | 73.7 | 68.0 | 88.1 | 64.9 | 73.0 | 63.2 | 80.9 | 61.0 | 65.3 | 51.9 |
| July.................. | 72.6 | 73.4 | 66.6 | 88.5 | 63.1 | 72.8 | 62.6 | 80.6 | 59.7 | 64.9 | 52.7 |
| August................ | 72.3 | 72.7 | 66.7 | 90.2 | 62.8 | 72.6 | 58.4 | 90.5 | 59.9 | 65.3 | 52.9 |
| September........... | 78.4 | 77.6 | 74.5 | 91.3 | 70.9 | 77.8 | 64.3 | 89.3 | 68.1 | 75.0 | 63.4 |
| October.............. | 79.6 | 80.1 | 74.4 | 92.8 | 71.7 | 79.4 | 64.8 | 91.9 93.7 | 67.9 68.5 | 77.4 77.9 | 69.9 69.3 |
| November............. | 80.4 | 80.7 | 75.4 | 93.9 | 72.1 | 80.3 | 64.9 69.0 | 93.7 | 68.5 71.5 | 78.8 | 69.0 , |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { December.............. } \\ & 1940 \end{aligned}$ | 81.7 | 81.4 | 78.1 | 94.2 | 74.4 | 81.2 | 69.0 | 94.7 | 71.5 | $78 \times 8$ | 69.0 cr |
| January.............. | 82.6 | 82.4 | 78.9 | 93.6 | 75.3 | 81.5 | 70.0 | 94.9 | 72.6 | 80.1 | 69.5 |
| February............. | 82.8 | 82.9 | 79.2 | 93.5 | 75.7 | 81.7 | 70.3 | 95.3 | 73.2 | 79.5 | 67.9 |
| March................. | 83.2 | 83.2 | 79.9 | 94.1 | 76.3 | 81.9 | 71.3 | 94.6 | 74.1 | 79.7 | 68.0 |
| April................ | 83.1 | 82.6 | 80.3 | 94.2 | 76,8 | 81.5 | 72.1 | 94.5 | 74.5 | 79.4 | 67.3 |
| May. .................. | 82.2 | 82.3 | 78.7 | 94.3 | 75.2 | 80.5 | 68.0 | 94.4 | 71.5 | 78.6 | 66.5 |
| June................... | 81.6 | 82.5 | 77.2 | 94.3 | 74.0 | 80.0 | 64.3 | 95.0 | 69.4 | 77.9 | 65.3 |
| July................... | 82.6 | 83.7 | 77.7 | 95.3 | 74.9 | 80.7 | 64.4 | 96.5 | 70.0 | 78.7 | 64.8 |
| August................ | 82.6 | 83.5 | 77.9 | 96.7 | 73.8 | 81.3 | 62.7 | 96.2 | 70.4 | 78.1 | 63.9 |
| Septamber........... | 83.0 | 84.0 | 78.3 | 97.6 | 74.3 | 81.6 | 63.8 | 96.9 | 71.3 | 78.2 | 63.1 |
| October............... | 83.3 | 84.1 | 78.4 | 98.0 | 74.8 | 81.8 | 64.6 | 97.8 | 71.6 | 78.8 | 64.0 |
| November............. | 83.9 | 84.8 | 78.8 | 98.2 | 76.1 | 82.4 | 66.9 | 98.1 | 72.3 | 79.8 | 66.0 |
| December. | 84.2 | 85.2 | 79.1 | 98.0 | 76.1 | 83.0 | 67.1 | 98.0 | $72 \cdot 3$ | 79.1 | 64.7 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January............... | 84.6 | 85.5 | 79.7 | 98.7 | 76.6 | 83.4 | 67.2 | 98.3 | 72.8 | 80.1 | 65.7 |
| February.............. | 85.2 | 85.7 | 80.6 | 100.1 | 77.7 | 83.7 | 68.3 | 98.6 | 73.8 | 81.2 | 66.9 |
| March................. | 85.9 | 86.2 | 81.3 | 100.6 | 78.9 | 84.2 | 69.1 | 99.9 | 74.4 | 82.3 | 68.6 |
| April................. | 86.6 | 87.0 | 81.6 | 100.7 | 79.3 | 85.3 | 69.5 | 100.6 | 74.5 | 83.4 | 70.8 |
| May................... | 88.5 | 88.6 | 83.3 | 107.5 | 80.9 | 86.8 | 69.6 | 103.3 | 76.0 | 86.5 | 73.6 |
| Junө.................. | 90.0 | 90.6 | 84.3 | 108.4 | 81.8 | 88.8 | 71.0 | 103.9 | 77.1 | 88.0 | 75.4 |
| July...................... <br> August | 91.1 | 9 | 84.5 | 109.0 110.6 | 82.4 83.3 | 90.2 90.8 | 71.7 | 187.6 | 77.5 | 89.3 | 79.5 |


(1926=100)

| Commodity | No. of Price Sories | Yoarly Avorage 1940 | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1940 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1941 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Index | 567 | 32:9 | 32:6 | 90:0 | 91:1 | 91:8 |
| 1. Vegetable Products | 135 | 72.1 | 70:3 | 77:7 | 73:5 | $77: 7$ |
| Fruits | 15 | 82:0 | 83:0 | 79:? | 86:3 | 94:7 |
| Fresh | 4 | $34: 8$ | 93.6 | 81:1 | 38:5 | 98:8 |
| Dried | 5 | 79:1 | 76:0 | 78:3 | 79:7 | $82: 2$ |
| Canned | 6 | 67:9 | 66:7 | 72:5 | 80:0 | 82:3 |
| Grains | 23 | $55: 7$ | 50.2 | 57.2 | 56.4 | 55.9 |
| Flour and Milled Products | 12 | $74: 4$ | 74:0 | 80:5 | 80:4 | 73:8 |
| Bakery Products | , | 84:9 | 35:4 | 36:2 | 86:2 | 86:8 |
| Vegetable 0ils | 8 | 73:9 | 71:2 | 111:7 | 119:7 | 121:8 |
| Rubber and Its Products | 9 | 69.1 | 71.6 | 73.1 | 75.5 | 75.8 |
| Sugar and Its Products and Glucose |  | 101:3 | 103:8 | 119:4 | 119:4 | 119:6 |
| Tea, Coffee, Cocoa and Spices | 15 | 88.5 | 87:5 | 105:5 | 110:8 | 111:2 |
| Vegetables | 13 | 65.3 | 59.4 | 70.0 | 72.5 | 68.7 |
| 11. Antmals and Their Products | 76 | $79: 1$ | 76:8 | 89:9 | 93: | 96:9 |
| Fishery Products | 16 | 82:3 | 81:8 | 90:4 | 92:3 | 93.8 |
| Furs | 9 | 58:8 | 58.9 | 74:3 | 78:0 | 78:0 |
| Hides and Skins | 6 | 93:7 | 65:4 | 105:7 | 100:6 | 105:6 |
| Leather, Unmanufactured | 9 | 104:1 | 101:8 | 110:1 | 108:3 | 109:3 |
| Boots and Shoes | 2 | 101:2 | 102:3 | 102.1 | 102:1 | 103:0 |
| Live Stock | 4 | 94.6 | 96:5 | 110:7 | 113:9 | 114:6 |
| Moats and Poultry | 10 | $79: 9$ | 80:6 | 97:6 | 100:0 | 101:3 |
| Milk and Its Products | 12 | $78: 7$ | 73.4 | 33.2 | 92:0 | 97:7 |
| Fats | 5 | $46: 4$ | 44:9 | $54: 7$ | 69:5 | 78:0 |
| Esces | 5 | 63.9 | 59.5 | 61.4 | 71.8 | 79.8 |
| 111. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products | 85 | 83 :8 | 53:6 | 90:6 | 92:5 | 94:0 |
| Cotton, Raw | 2 | 69: 6 | $69: 1$ | 98:4 | 109:? | 113:7 |
| Cotton Fabrics | 19 | 79:4 | 79.1 | 37.1 | 89:1 | 91:3 |
| Knit Goods | 3 | 88.4 | $88: 9$ | 93:2 | $93: 2$ | 98:0 |
| Flax; Hemp and Jute Produots | 10 | 67:1 | 86:0 | 93:5 | 94:1 | 90:7 |
| Slik, Raw | 9 | 51:4 | $49: 2$ | 59:7 | 61:0 | 70:3 |
| Silk F osiery | 2 | 72:2 | 69:9 | 67:5 | 67:5 | 73.1 |
| Stilk Fabrics | 4 | 69:0 | 69:0 | 69:0 | 69:0 | 69:0 |
| Artificial Silk Products | 5 | 49:0 | 48.1 | 48:1 | 48:9 | 48:9 |
| Wool, Raw | 3 | 91:3 | 90:3 | 95:7 | $96: 7$ | 96:4 |
| Wool Hosiery and Knit Goods | 5 | 106:5 | 108:1 | 108:4 | 108:4 | 108:8 |
| Wool Cloth | 6 | 104.8 | 105.9 | 103:4 | 104.4 | 105.5 |
| 1V. Wood, Wood Products and Paper | 49 | 88:8 | 90:5 | 96:1 | 96:5 | 97:7 |
| Newsprint and Wrapping Paper | 2 | 73.8 | 74:0 | 74:0 | 74:0 | 74:0 |
| Lumber | 33 | 103:6 | 105:3 | 121:1 | 122:0 | 125:7 |
| Fulp | - | 102:8 | 109:8 | 108.9 | 108:9 | 108:9 |
| Furniture | 10 | 89:4 | 90.0 | 93.3 | 99.9 | 99.9 |
| V. Iron and Its Products | 44 | 104:0 | 105:7 | 111:8 | \% 111:6 | 111:6 |
| Pig Iron and Steel Billets | 3 | 100:4 | 100:4 | 101:7 | 101:7 | 101.7 |
| Rolling Mill Products | 14 | 109:6 | 109:8 | 117:0 | 117:0 | 117:0 |
| Herdware | 16 | 90:9 | 90:9 | 92:5 | X 92:99 | 92:9 |
| \%ire | 3 | 97:2 | 97:2 | 100:4 | 100:4 | 100:4 |
| Scrap | 5 | 95.9 | 93.8 | 114.4 | X 109.4 | 109.4 |
| VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their |  |  |  |  |  | . |
| Products Brass and Copper Products | 18. | 76,9 83,5 | $\begin{aligned} & 77: 0 \\ & 83: 5 \end{aligned}$ | 78.1 86.6 | 78.2 86.6 | $\begin{array}{r} 78.2 \\ 86.6 \end{array}$ |
| Lead and Its Products | 2 | 62:1 | 62.1 | 62.1 | 62:1 | 62;1 |
| Tin Incots Rinc and Its Products | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | 87.6 58.7 | 89.3 58.3 |  | 59.2 | 92.4 59.2 |
| Iron and Mon-Ferrous Metals and Their Products ( V and II above) | 62 | 95.0 | 96.1 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 100.5 |




| Commodity No | No. of Price sexiag | Fearly Average 1240 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } \\ & 1940 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | July 1947 | Augus: $1247$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| V11. Non-Metallic Mnerals and Their |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Products | 83 | 89:3 | 90:3 | 96:0 | 96:3 | $97: 5$ |
| Clay and Alled Material Products | 10 | $86: 5$ | 85:1 | $94: 2$ | 94;2 | 94:2 |
| Coal | 13 | 101:3 | 103:9 | 109:2 | 109:4 | 109:5 |
| Coke | 5 | 121:4 | 121:4 | 121:4 | 121:4 | 122:0 |
| Manufactured Gas | 3 | 102:5 | 102:9 | 103:5 | 103:5 | 103:5 |
| Glass and Its Products | 6 | 94:8 | 93:4 | 104:4 | 104:4 | 104:4 |
| Petroleum Products | 6 | $70: 9$ | 71:0 | 79.2 | 79.2 | $82: 5$ |
| Asphalt | 2 | 103:0 | 103:3 | 103:3 | 103:3 | 103:3 |
| Salt | 4 | 116:6 | 116:6 | 11.6:5 | 130:6 | 130:6 |
| Lime | 4 | 101:8 | 101:8 | 111:2 | 111:7 | 111:8 |
| Cement | 1 | 98:4 | 99:2 | 106:5 | 106:5 | 106.5 |
| Sand and Grave? | 8 | 84.8 | 84:3 | 97:6 | 87:6 | 87:3 |
| Crushed Stone | 3 | 67:6 | $65: 8$ | $78: 0$ | 78:0 | 73:0 |
| Building Stone | 3 | $64: 3$ | 64:3 | 69:4 | 69:4 | 69:4. |
| Asbestos | 8 | 74:0 | 74:1 | 74.1. | 74.1 | 74.1 |
| V11. Chemicals and Allied Products | 77 | 87:9 | 90:8 | 99:6 | 100:0 | 100:5 |
| Inorganic Chemicals | 22 | 88:0 | $88: 5$ | 89.9 | 87:9 | 37:7 |
| Organic Chemicals | 6 | 77:7 | 79:9 | $87: 4$ | $87: 9$ | 88:0 |
| Coal Tar Products | 2 | 90:0 | 89:9 | 91:2 | 91.1 | 91.1 |
| Dyeing and Tanning Materials | 10 | 124:1 | 141:2 | 127:2 | 131:8 | 136:4 |
| Explosives | 2 | 73:1 | 73:1 | $73: 1$ | 73:1 | $73: 1$ |
| Paints, Prepared | 2 | 71:8 | $71: 8$ | 82:5 | $82: 5$ | 82:5 |
| Drugs and Phamaceutical Chemicals | - 10 | 118:2 | 129:9 | 165.? | 165:9 | 168:5 |
| Fertilizers | 10 | 85:6 | 35:9 | $88^{\circ} 1$ | 88.1 | 88.1 |
| Industrial Gases | 2 | 87.2 | 86.5 | 86.2 | 85.8 | 85.9 |
| PURPOSE CLASSIFICATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (192 | =100) |  |  |  |  |
| 1. CONSUMLERS : GOODS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trroups $A$ and B) | 236 | 83.4 | 83.5 | 90.6 | 92.0 | 93.3 |
| A. Foods, Beverages and Tobacco | 126 | 79:4 | $78: 2$ | 88:9 | 91:6 | 92.8 |
| Beverages | 9 | 94:0 | $93: 8$ | 108:3 | 118:9 | 114.8 |
| Flour and Milled Products | 12 | 74:4 | 74:0 | $80: 5$ | 80:4 | $73: 8$ |
| Bakery Product s | 兄 | 84:9 | 85:4 | $86: 2$ | $86: 2$ | 86.8 |
| Fish | 16 | 82:8 | 81:8 | 90:1 | 92:3 | 93:8 |
| Fruits | 15 | 82:0 | $88: 0$ | 79.7 | 86.3 | $94: 7$ |
| Meats and Poultry | 10 | 79:9 | 80:6 | 97:6 | 100:0 | 101:3 |
| Milk and Mill Products | 12 | $78: 7$ | $73: 4$ | 88:2 | 92:0 | $97: 7$ |
| Sugar and Its Products | 8 | 101:3 | 103:8 | 119:4 | 119:4 | $119: 6$ |
| Vergetables | 13 | 65:3 | $59: 4$ | 70:0 | 72:5 | 68:7 |
| Egrs | 3 | 63:9 | $59: 5$ | $61: 4$ | 71.8 | 79:8 |
| Tobacco | 8 | 40.8 | 40.7 | 41.8 | 41.8 | 4.1 .8 |
| B. Other Consumers ${ }^{\text {P }}$ Goods | 110 | 86.1 | 87.1 | 91.7 | 92.3 | 93.7 |
| Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, |  |  | - |  |  |  |
| H osiery and Underwear | 52 | $87: 4$ | 87.8 | 90:2 | 91:3 | 92.8 |
| Household Equipment and Supplies | 58 | 85.2 | 86.6 | 92.8 | 93.0 | 94.4 |
| 11. PRODUCYR ${ }^{\text {a }}$ GOODS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - (Groups C and Di) | 402 | 78:7 | $77: 8$ | 84:3 | $84: 5$ | 81:5 |
| C. Producers' Equinment | 24 | 100:0 | 102:0 | 106:3 | 106:7 | 107:1 |
| Tools | 3 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 93.2 | 93.2 |
| Licht, Heat and Power |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Explosives | 17 2 | $100: 8$ $73: 1$ | $102: 2$ $73: 2$ | 107:7 | $108: 0$ 73.1 | $\begin{gathered} 108: 4 \\ 73: 1 \end{gathered}$ |
| Miscellaneous | 2 | 99.3 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100,8 |



PURPOSE CLASSIFICATION
(1926m100)


ORIGIN CLASSIFICATION
(1926m100)

| Total Raw and Partly Mamufactured | 245 | 75.3 | 73:8 | 81:8 | 82:4 | $83: 3$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Fully and Chlefly Manufactured | 322 | 81.5 | 81.3 | 88.3 | 90.2 | 90.8 |
| 1. Articles of Farm Origin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Domestic and Foreign) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Fiold |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured | 95 | 59:4 | 55.8 | 63.6 | 63.8 | 64.1 |
|  | 91 | 79:2 | $79: 7$ | 88:3 | 89:3 | 88:0 |
| (c) Total | 186 | 70.1 | 68.7 | 76.9 | 77.5 | 77.0 |
| B. Animal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured <br> (b) Fully and chiefly | 46 | 84.1 | 82.3 | 93.9 | 95.2 | 97.4 |
| manufactured | 59 | 78:6 | 76:0 | 86:6 | 90:4 | 93:7 |
| (c) Total | 105 | 81.0 | 78.7 | 89.8 | 92.5 | 95.3 |
| C. Canadian Farm Products |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |
| (1) Field | 52 | 56:0 | 50:4 | $57: 1$ | 57:1 | 56:7 |
| (2) Animal | 18 | 85:8 | $83: 3$ | 91:3 | 96.1 | 97\%9 |
| (3) Total. | 70 | 67.1 | 62.7 | 71.0 | 71.7 | 72.1 |
| 11. Articles of Marine Origin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured <br> (b) Fully and chiofly | 5 | 74.6 | 70.9 | 76.7 | 79.2 | 80.2 |
| manufactured | 11 | 81:3 | 82.1 | 94:9 | 96:9 | 98:8 |
| (c) Total | 16 | 79.5 | 79.1 | 90.0 | 92.1 | 93.8 |
| 111. Articles of Forest Origin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Raw and partly manufactured <br> (b) Fully and Chiefly | 37 | 103.4 | 106.7 | 117.4 | 118.0 | 120.6 |
| manufactured | 20 | 75:5 | $76: 1$ | 76:7 | 77:0 | 77:1 |
| (c) Tatcl | 57 | 88.5 | 90.4 | 25.7 | 96.1 | 97.4 |
| 27. Articles of Mineral Origin |  |  | . | - |  | . |
| (a) Raw and partiy manufactured (b) Fully and chfefly | 62 | 88.8 | 90.5 | 92.9 | 93.2 | 93.1 |
| manufactured | 141 | 92:0 | 92:7 | 98:6 | 98:6 | 99.6 |
| (c) Total | 203 | 90.6 | 91.7 | 96.1 | 96.2 | 96.7 |



WHOLESAIE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COII:ODITIES
(All prices givon in Canadian funds)

(A) Previous $\quad 1941$ - steers good over 1050 pounds.
(B) Dressed weight grading: Price per cwt. $1 / 3$ higher than previous live grading
"bacon bogs":
(c) Previous to 1941 f.o.b. Mill.

(1926=100)






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## IINDEX NUNEERS OF LIVING COSTS IN CANADA, AUGUS'C 1, 1941.

(Calculainons based on prices for tie first ousiness day of each month)
The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index numiver of ilving costs on the base 19351939=100, rose from 111.9 Nor July 2nd to 113.7 for Ausust lst. iiving costs in August were 12.8 per cent above the August, 1939, 1evel.

An index for 46 food Items acranood from 116.6 in Tuly to 121.3 in August. Dairy products, eggs, meats end fruits retorded tivortant uncreases, while dry groceries also moved slightly higher. Vegetables were appreciably lcwer and cereal.s were unchanged.

The fuel and lighting index was unchanged at 110.5 , slightly higher prices for coal and coke being ofiset by a deciine il the iniex for donestic electricity.

Advances in women's wear, yard gocds and fontwear, and to a lesser extent men's wear, carried the clothing index up from 115.1 to $115 . \%$

Tha home furhishings and servives index rose from 113.0 to 114.3 , influenced by higher prices for furnituro, sextiles, hardware, dishes and cleaning supplies.

The index for miscellaneous items was 100,1 for August ist as compared with 105.6 for July 2nd. A general advance of lq per gall in in gasoline prices together with increased rates paid to motir mechanics accounted for the advance.

Rentals at 209.7 were unchanged.
An index for retail prices aione rose from 114.9 to $1.17 . \%$
INDIT NTMBERS OF' ITTING COETS, 1913-AJGUST 1, 1941. $(1935-1939=100)$


An Ordertinseavnil of December 16,1440, P.C. 7140 , as amended on June 27, 1941, P.C. 46 23 , provides for a cost-of-living bonlis of 25 cents per week for each one per cent of increase in the official index nurber measured from August, 1939, For convenfence the percentage increase eaen rionth as compared with August, 1939, is shown in the Eeft hand columin.


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General Qost of Iiving

| August | 107.5 | 105.4 | 107.1 | 104.2 | 104.6 | 105.3 | 103.7 | 103.7 |
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| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April | 107.8 | 108.5 | 110.1 | 106.3 | 106.2 | 109.0 | -105.5 | 106.5 |
| June | 108.8 | 109.3. | 112.1 | 108.7 | 107.8 | 110.3 | 107.0 | 107.5 |
| August | 111.6 | 112,5 | 115.3 | 111.7 | 110.3 | 113.1 | 109.8 | 110.4 |
| 20ods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{1940}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 112.3 | 108.4 | 105.0 | 104.5 | 107.9 | 106.1 | 104.6 | 105.8 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April | 114.0 | 111.2 | 112.0 | 308.8 | 109.9 | 112.5 | 108.1 | 112.0 |
| June. | 115.2 | 111.7 | 115.0 | 111.3 | 112.0 | 111.5 | 110.6 | 112.7 |
| August | 124.6 | 120.4 | $\geq 25.0$ | 219.6 | 119.5 | 120.2 | 118.9 | 120.4 |
| Sert |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{1940}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 105.8 | 100.0 | 16.3.3 | 102.9 | 101.2 | 104.0 | 100.3 | 99.2 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April | 103.4 | 105. 3 | 108.: | 102.9 | 103.0 | 108.1 | 100.0 | 99.4 |
| June | 103. ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | 105.3 | 308, 0 | 106.1 | 104.3 | 112.9 | 100.0 | 99.4 |
| August | 105.7 | 105.9 | 100.3 | 106.1 | 104.3 | 112.9 | 100.0 | 99.4 |
| F'uel snat It ghting |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\frac{1940}{\text { August }}$ | 104.1 | 104.3 | 113.6 | 110.0 | 104.6 | 107.0 | 104.9 | 108.8 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April | 104.9 | 1206.5 | 113.7 | 110.3 | 105.5 | 107.0 | 98.0 | 108.8 |
| June | 105.9 | 106.5 | 114.8 | 113.6 | 105.5 | 107.0 | 98.0 | 108.8 |
| Augus t | 105.9 | 105.5 | 111.8 | 113.6 | 105.5 | 10\%.0 | 98.0 | 108.8 |
| 1940 Clothing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\frac{1940}{\text { August }}$ | 1.0.2 | 110.6 | 110.6 | 10\%. 3 | 106.9 | 109.6 | 109.7 | 109.3 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April .......... | 112.6 | 115.8 | 117. 3 | 112.1 | 109.5 | 114.0 | 115.0 | 112.9 |
| June | 112.7 | 115.9 | 218.5 | 112.3 | 109.7 | 114.3 | 115.5 | 113.2 |
| August | 112.8 | 116.7 | 119.4 | 113.1 | 110.1 | 114.9 | 116.4 | 114.7 |

Home Eurnishings and Services

| August | 105.9 | 107.1 | 109.z | 104.5 | 104.6 | 106.9 | 106.4 | 103.6 |
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| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April | 110.7 | 111.9 | 213.1 | 108.5 | 108.5 | 112.3 | -111.3 | 107.6 |
| June | 110.9 | 112.2 | 113.5 | 108.9 | 108.9 | 113.4 | 111.6 | 107.9 |
| Augus t | 111.2 | 112.7 | 214,8 | 111.8 | 110.0 | 114.3 | 113.5 | 110.7 |
| 1940 ( Misce lameous | Misceilameous |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 101.9 | 102.? | 122. 2 | 102.0 | 101.8 | 101.8 | 101.6 | 101.0 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April | 101.7 | 102.7 | 102.1 | 101.6 | 102.0 | 101.8 | 102.2 | 101.1 |
| June | 103.6 | 104,5 | 203.8 | 104.9 | 104.7 | 104.3 | 104.9 | 104.2 |
| Augus t | 104.0 | 108.5 | 104.0 | 106.1 | 105.1 | 104.5 | 105.2 | 104.7 |
| CITY COST OF IITTiVg TNIEX NUMB:BRS, AUGUST $1,1941$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Further advances ranging from $2 . E$ to 3.4 points occurred in the eight regional city cost of living index numbers of the Jominion Bureau of Statistics between June 1 and August 1, 1941. Indexes for Augist 1 showed cioy percentage increases over August,1939 varying between 9.8 and 15.3 as compared with a rise of 12.8 per cent in the Bureals Dominion index. Foods mere mainly responsibj.g fur the latest rise, with city food indexes for August 1 being from 18.9 per cent to 25.0 per cent above pre-war levels.


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| 1939 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 100.2 | 99.6 | 104.1 | 100.3 | 103.4 | 102.1 | 100.0 | 98.0 |
| February | 98.7 | 99.7 | 103.0 | 99.1 | 102.3 | 99.3 | 98.6 | 96.0 |
| March .. | 98.0 | 98.9 | 103.0 | 98.8 | 101.9 | 101.2 | 98.8 | 97.0 |
| April | 94.1 | 99.3 | 100.4 | 98.7 | 102.2 | 98.4 | 98.8 | 96.4 |
| May . | 97.1 | 100.1 | 101.3 | 97.8 | 100.0 | 96.0 | 97.8 | 97.9 |
| June | 97.0 | 98.0 | 100.0 | 98.2 | 98.8 | 96.1 | 98.6 | 96.8 |
| July | 98.3 | 99.7 | 101.5 | 101.7 | 100.6 | 97.6 | 99.5 | 98.2 |
| August | 99.6 | 100.5 | 100.6 | 100.2 | 100.6 | 97.9 | 100.3 | 98.1 |
| September | 97.4 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.0 | 100.7 | 97.4 | 100.0 | 97.4 |
| October.. | 106.2 | 106.9 | 109.4 | 106.7 | 108.2 | 108.3 | 108.5 | 104.2 |
| November | 107.9 | 107.5 | 109.3 | 106.7 | 107.8 | 109.2 | 111.9 | 104.9 |
| December | 106.1 | 108.4 | 107.9 | 106.4 | 106.9 | 109.1 | 109.4 | 103.9 |
| Year | 100.1 | 101.5 | 103.3 | 101.1 | 102.8 | 101.0 | 101.8 | 99.1 |
| 1940 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 108.5 | 107.5 | 107.3 | 103.6 | 106.5 | 107.3 | 107.2 | 101.4 |
| February | 106.4 | 106.6 | 107.1 | 103.8 | 106.2 | 107.4 | 107.1 | 104.1 |
| March | 107.1 | 105.8 | 107.9 | 102.9 | 106.0 | 106.7 | 106.2 | 103.0 |
| April | 107.7 | 106.7 | 107.7 | 104.2 | 106.2 | 106.7 | 107.1 | 103.9 |
| May | 108.4 | 107.4 | 106.0 | 103.2 | 105.3 | 104.9 | 108.2 | 105.3 |
| June | 106.1 | 106.1 | 106.0 | 103.7 | 105.2 | 103.3 | 106.6 | 102.5 |
| July . | 110.6 | 108.1 | 108.2 | 104.9 | 109.0 | 105.9 | 105.8 | 103.2 |
| August | 111.9 | 108.9 | 106.1 | 104.7 | 108.5 | 103.8 | 104.8 | 103.9 |
| September | 111.3 | 107.0 | 106.9 | 105.9 | 106.8 | 103.4 | 103.5 | 103.4 |
| October | 111.6 | 108.4 | 107.9 | 106.1 | 107.6 | 104.3 | 105.4 | 103.7 |
| November | 113.3 | 111.3 | 110.9 | 108.5 | 110.2 | 107.5 | 108.4 | 106.1 |
| December | 114.7 | 113.0 | 111.2 | 107.8 | 110.9 | 109.7 | 110.1 | 107.0 |
| Year | 109.8 | 108.0 | 107.8 | 105.0 | 107.3 | 105.8 | 106.7 | 104.0 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 115.9 | 112.0 | 112.7 | 107.7 | 111.8 | 111.5 | 109.2 | 107.2 |
| February | 113.9 | 111.0 | 111.7 | 108.2 | 109.6 | 109.1 | 108.4 | 108.8 |
| Marrch ... | 112.2 | 110.0 | 111.9 | 108.6 | 109.5 | 109.5 | 107.8 | 109.0 |
| April | 113.5 | 110.8 | 112.1 | 109.0 | 110.5 | 110.0 | 108.3 | 109.9 |
| May. | 113.0 | 110.8 | 111.1 | 108.6 | 109.8 | 107.9 | 109.1 | 109.4 |
| June | 114.7 | 111.3 | 116.1 | 111.5 | 112.7 | 109.0 | 110.8 | 110.6 |
| July | 120.3 | 115.6 | 120.8 | 116.1 | 116.2 | 111.5 | 114.0 | 115.9 |
| August | 124.1 | 119.9 | 125.1 | 119.8 | 120.2 | 117.5 | 119.1 | 118.1 |

RETAIL FOOD PRICE CHANGES, JULY 2nd TO AUGUST 1st, 1941.

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## INVESTORS: INDEX NUMBEKS OF COMVON STOCK PRICES

The Investors $2 r$ ce index of $: 5$ common stocks recorded no net chanee between July 31 and Aurust 28, remaining at 68.0, A lcss of $0.2 p, c$. In the industrials was counterbalanced by smail gains in the utility eind bank groups. Pulp and paper shares continued their advance of Ju?.7. with a rise of 22.3 puc . to 74.2 while milling issues reversed their downard movememt and increased $7.5 \mathrm{p}, 0$. to 72.0 . Gains and recessions were equally divided in the bal.ance of the sub groups and were less extensive. Increases ranged from 0.9 pois to $3.1 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. and losses from $0.3 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$, to $2.6 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. The Bureau's montily price index for common stocks rose irom 67.5 in July to 67.8 in Aureust, with industrials up 0.4 to 64.4 , utilities 0.6 to 71.2 while banks were unchanged at 89.7.

## MINING STOCK PRICES

The price index of twenty-five miting issues moved lower fram 75.4 on July 31 to 74.4 on August 28. Novements in goids ard base metals were narrower in August than In the preceding month and lusses for both sections amountod to l. $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. The gold series declined from 66.8 on July 31 to 66.0 on August 28 and base metals from 92.3 to 91.2. A monthly frics inciex of mining stocls ztood ay 74.6 , remaining at the same level as in July. Golds fell 0.2 to 66.0 whlle base metals rose 0.4 to 91.3 .

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|  | Aucust | Tuly 31 |  | Augu st 28 | Tuly 31 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Beattie ...00.0.....0. | \$ 1. 10 | 31.35 | Lirtle Jong Lec : . . | \$ 1.95 | \$1.95 |
| Bralnrne | 11.37 | 10.75 | Macaria | 3.85 | 3.90 |
| Buffalu-Ankerite o.nc | 4.25 | 4.35 | Mcİtyre : 0 ¢ 00coc.0 | 49.00 | 50.00 |
| Caribon Goid Quartz . | 2.30 | 2,30 | Fickle Crow .os.os.0 | 2.91 | 3.05 |
| Central Patricia =rowoc | 2.86 | 1.82 | Flolver .0.0....... | 2.52 | 2.20 |
| Dome .0.00000.0000000 | 22.75 | 23.50 | Sail Antorio 00000000 | 2.35 | 2.54 |
| God's Lake | 32 | C35 |  | . 52 | . 53 |
| Hollinger | 12.87 | 3.2 .50 | Sylverite osocoo.. | 2.40 | 2.90 |
| Kirkland Lake | . 71 | - 77 | Te:xi-İughes . .o.... | 2.90 | 2.72 |
| Lake Shore | 24.50 | 1.5 .75 | Uch1 000000.000... | . 08 | . 10 |
| Lamaque Gold Mines . | 4.70 | 4,50 | Wifat-pargreaves | 4.00 | 4.05 |
| BASE NETALS |  |  |  |  |  |
| Falconbridge ......... | 3.25 | 3.10 | Noranda 0.0 .00. | 54.00 | 55.87 |
| Pudson Bay ............ | 28.50 | 28,00 |  |  |  |

## PKEFERRED STOSKS

The Bureau's preferted stock price index regched a new high for 1941 of 101.5 in August for a net gain of 3.1 p.c. between Juiy and August. This compared with a gain of $1.8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. between June and July. Tobacoo issues with a lose of l.2 p.c. against a gain of 5.2 p.c. tre preceding month providod the only exception to the general upward movement. Greatest gains were made by pulp and paper up 5.6 p.c. as compared with 2.6 p.c. in July, milling issues up $5.3 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. and mashinery and equipment which advanced $4.5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. Leaser gains were made by power issues and foods, the former up $3.0 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. and the latter $2.4 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$ above July averages. Advanses by other groups were mainly fractional.

## INDEX IUMBERS OF 30 PREFFRREN STOCK PRICES, 1935-1941 <br> $(1.935-1937=100)$

|  |  | Jain. | Feb | Mer. | ApJ: ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | May | Juxe | July | Aug. | Se | , | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1935 |  | 88.7 | 89,0 | 85.9 | 93.5 | 32.5 | 82,5 | 8:。0 | 85.5 | 83.5 | 83.8 | 87.5 | 89.0 |
| 1936 |  | 90.3 | 93.1 | 92.0 | Q1. ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | 00.0 | 91.0 | 95.9 | 97.2 | 101.1 | 104.7 | 109.9 | 113.3 |
| 1937 | -u...... | 119.7 | 2.21.1 | 1.23 .8 | 1.24. | 120.9 | J.19,8 | 119.9 | 122. 4 | 109.8 | 99.2 | 98.9 | 97.7 |
| 1938 |  | 100.6 | 99.0 | 93.5 | 94.3 | 98.06 | 98.7 | 105.2 | 104.7 | 98.1 | 106.2 | 105.5 | 104.8 |
| 1939 |  | 102.5 | 101.8 | 101,2 | 95.2 | 95.3 | 98.8 | 100.1 | 97.7 | 100.5 | 107.4 | 108.7 | 110.1 |
| 1940 |  | 110:? | 109,? | 108.8 | 108.9 | 96.7 | 80.9 | 89,0 | 93.9 | 99.1 | 100.7 | 103.0 | 101.7 |
| 1941 |  | 101.4 | 917.5 | 98.7 | 97.9 | 96.3 | 95.8 | 98.5 | 101.5 | - |  |  |  |







## INDEX NUMBERS OF TWENTY-FIVE MINING STOCKS

$(1935-39=100)$


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[^3]Since the beginning of July Dominion of Canada long-term bond movements have tended toward higher levels, and the Bureau's index of prices, on the base 1935-1939=100 advanced from 100.8 for July to 101.2 for August. This marked the highest point reached since the outbreak of war, and was 2.1 p.c. above August, 1940. The increase occurred mainly during the first half of the month, and the daily index, which opened at 101.0, rose to 101.2 on the 6 th, and agains to 101.3 on the l6th. It remained unchanged thereafter, to show a net gain for the month of 0.3 points. The index of yields fell from 95.8 for July to 95.4 for August. Frovincials continued to show general advances. As index of representation Province of Ontario bond yields, based on information furnished by Wood, Gundy and Company, Limited, declined from 97.4 to 92.3 , and the average yield of the issues included in the index dropped from 3.43 to 3.25 .

British Consols closed $5 / 16$ higher at 81 13/16, after ranging between $81 \frac{1}{4}$ and 82, while the Dow-Jones average of selected United States bonds declined from 91.50 to 90.63 .

MONTHLY INDEX MUMBMRS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TMRM BOND PRICES, 1935 - 1941.
(From data issued by A. E. Ames and CO. Lta.)
$(1935-1939=100)$

|  | 1935 | 1936 | 1937 | 1938 | 1939 | 1940 | 1941 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 100.5 | 98.1 | 102.1 | 99.8 | 102.1 | 97.4 | 100.8 |
| February | 99.0 | 99.5 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 102.2 | 98.1 | 100.9 |
| March | 99.4 | 99.9 | 97.7 | 100.3 | 102.9 | 98.1 | 101.0 |
| April | 99.3 | 100.1 | 97.3 | 101.1 | 102.2 | 98.9 | 100.9 |
| May | 100.0 | 100.2 | 97.9 | 101.8 | 101.6 | 99.2 | 100.8 |
| June | 98.9 | 101.2 | 98.8 | 101.5 | 102.5 | 98.5 | 100.5 |
| July | 99.1 | 102.0 | 99.0 | 101.3 | 102.6 | 98.6 | 100.8 |
| August | 99.3 | 103.1 | 99.5 | 101.2 | 101.7 | 99.1 | 101.2 |
| September | 96.2 | 103.4 | 99.6 | 100.1 | 94.3 | 99.5 | - |
| October | 93.1 | 101.6 | 98.6 | 100.6 | 95.7 | 99.7 | - |
| November | 97.4 | 101.9 | 98.7 | 101.8 | 97.7 | 100.1 | - |
| December | 97.2 | 102.4 | 99.6 | 102.1 | 96.9 | 100.5 | - |

MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA IONG-TERM BOND YIELDS, 1935-1941.
(1935-1939=100)

|  | 1935 | 1936 | 1937 | 1938 | 1939 | 1940 | 1941 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 102.4 | 106.5 | 94.1 | 99.2 | 93.5 | 103.3 | 96.3 |
| February | 105.9 | 103.6 | 99.0 | 98.6 | 93.8 | 101.9 | 96.1 |
| March .. | 104.1 | 102.4 | 105.0 | 97.9 | 92.1 | 101.9 | 95.8 |
| April | 104.5 | 101.8 | 106.2 | 96.2 | 93.8 | 100.2 | 95.9 |
| May | 103.0 | 100.9 | 104.6 | 94.6 | 95.0 | 99.8 | 95.9 |
| June | 105.8 | 98.0 | 102.5 | 95.4 | 93.0 | 101.4 | 96.4 |
| July | 105.2 | 95.5 | 101.8 | 95.7 | 92.9 | 101.1 | 95.8 |
| August | 104.4 | 92.6 | 100.8 | 96.1 | 94.5 | 100.0 | 95.4 |
| September | 112.8 | 91.8 | 100.6 | 98.0 | 108.7 | 98.9 | - |
| October | 113.9 | 96.0 | 102.8 | 97.2 | 106.3 | 98.6 | - |
| November | 108.3 | 94.7 | 102.4 | 94.6 | 102.7 | 98.0 | $\cdots$ |
| December | 109.1 | 93.3 | 100.0 | 94.0 | 104.3 | 97.0 | - |

WKEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OT CANADA LONG-TERM BONDS, $1941^{\mathrm{X}}$

| $\frac{\text { Date }}{\text { June }}$ |  |  | Prices | Yields |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 5 | .......... | 100.5 | 96.5 |
|  | 12 | . . . . . | 100.5 | 96.5 |
|  | 19 |  | 100.5 | 96.2 |
|  | 26 | ............................ | 100.5 | 96.2 |
| July | 3 | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 100.6 | 95.9 |
|  | 10 | .. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 100.8 | 95.9 |
|  | 17 | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 100.9 | 95.9 |
|  | 24 | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 100.9 | 95.9 |
|  | 31 |  | 101.0 | 95.6 |
| August | 7 |  | 101.1 | 95.6 |
|  | 14 |  | 101.2 | 95.3 |
|  | 21 |  | 101.3 | 95.3 |
|  | 28 |  | 101.3 | 95.3 |

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Note: The noon rates in Canadian Funds upon which these averages are based, have been supplied by the Bank of Canada.

|  | New <br> York <br> Funds + | Lond on Sterling + | Spain <br> Peseta | Mexico Peso | Switzerland Frenc | $\begin{gathered} \text { xArgentine } \\ \text { Peso } \\ \text { (Paper) } \end{gathered}$ | Swoden Krona | New Zealand Pound |  | New <br> York <br> Funds | Lond on Sterling |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1941 - July - High <br> Low  <br>  Average <br>  Close <br> 1941 - Aug. - High <br>  Low <br>  Average <br>  Close | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | - 2280 | - | - 2642 | - | 3.590 |  |  |  |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | .2280 | - | - 2634 | - | 3.590 |  | 1940 | 1940 |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | - 2280 | - | - 2640 | - | 3.590 | Jan. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | - 2280 | - | -2640 | - | 3.590 | Feb. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mar. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | - 2280 | - | - 2647 | - | 3.590 | April | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | . 2279 | - | . 2638 | - | 3.590 | May | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | 2280 | - | - 2643 | - | 3.590 | June | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 1.1050 | 4.4500 | - | . 2280 | - | - 2640 | - | 3.590 | July | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Aug. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Sept. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Nov. | 1.105 | 4.450 4.450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Dec. | 1.105 | 4.450 - |
|  |  |  | Straits |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1941 | 1941 |
|  | Austra- | $\times$ Brazil | Settle- |  |  | China | Japan | Union of | Jon. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 1ia |  | ment |  |  | (Shanghai) |  | South | Feb. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | Pound | Milreis | Dollar |  |  | Dollar | Yen | Africa | Merch | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pound | April | 1.105 | 4.450 |
| $\begin{aligned} 1941 \text { - July - } & \text { High } \\ & \text { Low } \\ & \text { Average } \\ & \text { Close }\end{aligned}$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |  |  | \$ | \$ | \$ | Nay | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 3.5760 | . 0563 | - 5256 |  |  | . 0603 | . 2602 | 4.460 | June | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 3.5760 | . 0562 | . 5256 |  |  | . 0569 | . 2602 | 4.460 | July | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 3.5760 | . 0562 | . 5256 |  |  | . 0584 | . 2602 | 4.460 | Aug. | 1.105 | 4.450 |
|  | 3.5760 | . 0563 | - 5256 |  |  | . 0589 | . 2602 | 4.460 |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Aug - $\begin{aligned} & \text { High } \\ & \text { Low } \\ & \text { Average }\end{aligned}$ | 3.5760 | . 0565 | - 5256 |  |  | - | - | 4.460 |  |  |  |
|  | 3.5760 | . 0562 | . 5256 |  |  | - | - | 4.460 |  |  |  |
|  | 3.5760 | . 0563 | . 5256 |  |  | - | - | 4.460 |  |  |  |
| Close | 3.5760 | . 0563 | . 5256 |  |  | - | - | $4 \cdot 460$ |  |  |  |

[^5] The current buying and selling rate for sterling is $\$ 4.43$ and $\$ 4.47$ respectively and for $4 . S$. funds $\$ 1.10$ and $\$ 1.11$. ( $x$ Free Rate).

MONTFLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCK PRICES, 1937-1941 Issued by the Standard Statistics Company, Inc., New York (1926=100)

|  | Total <br> 420 Stocks | Industrials 350 stocks | Ruilroad 30 Stocks | Utilities 40 Stocks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1937 |  |  |  |  |
| $\overline{\text { April }}$ | 124.5 | 146.5 | 150.1 | 100.7 |
| May | 116.3 | 136.7 | 57.1 | 94.1 |
| June | 113.6 | 134.0 | 53.9 | 91.3 |
| July ... | 117.8 | 139.4 | 52.1 | 95.9 |
| August .. | 120.5 | 143.5 | 50.9 | 97.0 |
| September | 106.4 | 126.2 | 42.6 | 89.2 |
| october | 91.4 | 107.4 | 35.1 | 81.3 |
| November | 82.9 | 96.1 | 31.4 | 79.5 |
| December | 82.2 | 95.2 | 31,2 | 78.8 |
| 1938 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 81.6 | 95.7 | 29,0 | 75.7 |
| February . | 80.7 | $95 . ?$ | 28.3 | 71.2 |
| April ... | 70.7 | 84.2 | 20.9 | 64.0 |
| May . | 73.9 | 87.4 | 21.8 | 69.5 |
| June | 73.1 | 80.4 | 20.5 | 69.2 |
| July | 88.0 | 105.3 | 2\%,3 | 76.5 |
| August . | 89.5 | 108.0 | 27.8 | 75,0 |
| September | 86.0 | 103.3 | 25.5 | 72.2 |
| october. | 91.1 | 109,6 | 28.1 | 77.1 |
| November | 94.7 | 113.6 | 30,0 | 80: 9 |
| December | 92.0 | 110.6 | 28.8 | 77.9 |
| 1939 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 91.8 | 105.3 | 29.8 | 81.2 |
| February | 90.1 | 105.3 | 28.0 | 83.8 |
| March .. | 91.7 | 105.0 | 29.7 | 85.8 |
| April | 81.9 | 95.9 | 24.8 | 80.0 |
| May . . | 83.1 | 97.0 | 25.0 | 82.4 |
| June | 86.0 | 100.5 | 25.9 | 84.7 |
| July | 86.1 | 100. 5 | 25.7 | 84.9 |
| August | 86.3 | 100.5 | 25.4 | 87.9 |
| Soptember | 92.4 | 109.4 | 29.7 | 84.3 |
| october | 95.3 | 112.7 | 32.9 | 86.0 |
| November | 94.2 | 110.9 | 31.6 | 97.3 |
| December | 91.8 | 107. 9 | 2.9 .6 | 86.7 |
| 1940 |  |  |  |  |
| January .. | 92.7 | 108.8 | 29.6 | 88.4 |
| February . | 91.5 | 107.3 | 28.7 | 87.6 |
| March | 91.5 | 107.5 | 28.9 | 87.1 |
| April | 92.9 | 109.2 | 29.1 | 87.8 |
| May . . . . . | 83.0 | 97.3 | 25.4 | 80.6 |
| June ..... | 73.3 | 84.8 | 22.7 | 75.1 |
| July . | 76.1 | 87.2 | 24.4 | 80.1 |
| August | 77.5 | 89.1 | 24.9 | 80.3 |
| September | 80.9 | 93.7 | 27.0 | 81.0 |
| october.. | 81.4 | 94.5 | 27.4 | 80.2 |
| November | 82.1 | 95.8 | 27.8 | 79.0 |
| December | 80.4 | 9.0 | 26.4 | 77.6 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 80.5 | 93.7 | 27.7 | 78.0 |
| February | 75.9 | 87.9 | 26.4 | 71.3 |
| March ... | 76.0 | 88:2 | 26.6 | 71.5 |
| April ... | 73.8 | 85.6 | 26.9 | 71.6 |
| May .... | 73.0 | 85.5 | 26.7 | 67.5 |
| June ... | 75.3 | 88.3 | 26.7 | $8) .8$ |
| July .... | 78.8 | 93.2 | 27.8 | 70.0 |
| August, 2n | 78.0 | 92.3 | 27.8 | 68.9 |


[^0]:    f Week ends Friday instead of Thursday. $x$ Average of dally buying and selling rates set by the Canadian Foreign Frchange Cortrol Board since September 18, 1939.

[^1]:    For the third successive month retail food price indexes recorded substantial
    increases between July 2 and August 1. In eight cities for which regional indexes are computed, increases ranged from 1.9 per cent (Vancouver) to 5.4 per cent.
    (Saskatoon). Sharp advances for eggs, and further gains for dairy products, meats, and fruits were mainly responsible for these gains. In a few cities vegetable and cereal group indexes moved slightly lower.

[^2]:    Weakly figures. + Computed from Thursday closing quotations from May $22 n d$.

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[^4]:    x Based upon an average of dally figures for the week ending on dates specified.

[^5]:    + Since September 16, 1939, quotations used are the average of the daily buying and selling rate set by the Foreign Exchange Control Board.

