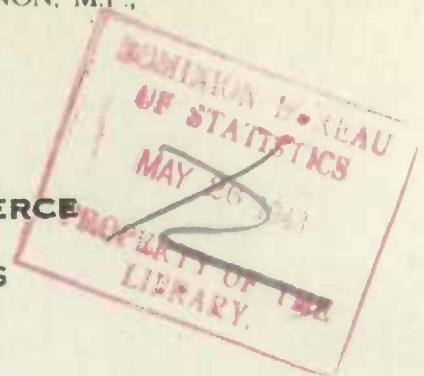


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PRICE MOVEMENTS, APRIL, 1943.

WHOLESALE: At 98.9 for April, the composite index of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 showed a gain of 0.4 points over March. Increases for vegetable products, wood, wood products and paper and animal products outweighed decreases for iron and steel and chemicals and allied products. For vegetable products an advance of 1.2 points to 89.9 occurred between March and April, due to increases for oranges, lemons and bananas, wheat, rye, potatoes and onions. Miscellaneous vegetable items were easier due to reductions in hay. Higher prices for spruce and hardwoods were sufficient to advance wood, wood products and paper 0.8 to 107.3 in April, while animal products rose 0.1 to 105.7 on higher prices for furs, sheepskins, fresh meats, poultry and eggs. Declines in this group were limited to live-stock, milk products, prepared meats and oils and fats. A decrease of 0.1 to 115.3 for iron and its products reflected lower freight rates for steel sheets, while a drop of 0.6 to 100.5 for chemicals and allied products was due to downward price revisions for tanning materials and drugs and pharmaceuticals.

A composite index for 30 industrial materials on the base 1926=100 advanced 0.1 to 96.7 in April on strength in the stable products series which moved up 0.4 to 116.0 on higher prices for spruce. Five foods eased 0.2 to 94.3 as lower quotations for hogs, steers and oats overbalanced an increase in wheat, while the manufacturing series of 13 commodities dipped 0.1 to 82.6 on a reduced rosin quotation. Canadian farm products stiffened 1.0 to 92.3 in April, with both field and animal product prices contributing to the rise. At current levels the composite index is now within a fraction of the 1937 peak of 92.5. Field products moved up 1.4 points to 76.8, reflecting advances of 1.3 points to 73.8 for grains, 4.7 points to 111.5 for potatoes, 20.7 to 183.6 for onions, which offset weakness in hay prices. In the animal products sub-group an increase of 0.4 to 118.2 was due to strength in sheepskins, poultry and eggs. Livestock registered a small decline in this section.

COST OF LIVING: (Wartime increase 16.7 per cent--from 100.8 to 117.6). The Dominion Bureau of Statistics cost-of-living index advanced from 117.2 on March 1 to 117.6 on April 1. This index which has been specified as the basis for calculating cost-of-living bonus adjustments under Order-in-Council P.C. 5962, has increased 16.7 per cent between August, 1939 and April, 1943. The April rise was due mainly to a further increase for foods, but fractional advances were recorded also for clothing and miscellaneous items. The food index mounted from 127.7 on March 1 to 128.7 on April 1, as meats, potatoes, cheese, and oranges registered increases. Eggs showed the only appreciable decline. The fractional rise in clothing from 120.1 to 120.2 was due to scattered advances in women's wear. Miscellaneous items moved up from 107.5 to 107.7 because of increases in newspaper rates and barbers' prices.

From February 1 to April 1 eight regional city cost-of-living indexes advanced by amounts varying from 0.1 points for Toronto to 2.0 points for Vancouver. During this same period the Dominion cost-of-living index advanced 0.7 points.

Increases were more pronounced in eastern and western cities than in those more centrally located.

From August, 1939 to April, 1943, food retail price indexes in the eight regional cities have advanced by the following percentages: Halifax 32.7, Saint John 27.0, Montreal 32.6, Toronto 26.2, Winnipeg 29.0, Saskatoon 29.9, Edmonton 28.2, and Vancouver 35.8. However, foods form only about one-third of cost-of-living index budgets, and complete cost-of-living indexes have risen by considerably smaller percentages. Rents and miscellaneous items including health, personal care, recreation, transportation, and insurance have risen much less than other living requirements. Percentage increases in total cost-of-living indexes from August, 1939 to April, 1943 have been as follows: Halifax 15.7, Saint John 16.7, Montreal 19.0, Toronto 15.4, Winnipeg 14.7, Saskatoon 17.4, Edmonton 14.1, and Vancouver 16.7. The corresponding percentage increases in the Dominion index have been 29.6 for foods and 16.7 for the total cost of living.

SECURITIES: Security prices averaged considerably higher in April, although weekly changes showed a declining tendency at the close.

The Investors' April index for 95 common stocks stood at 82.6 or 4.4 p.c. above March, and was at the highest monthly level attained in exactly three years. This compared with a month-end figure of 81.3 and a peak of 83.2 touched for the week of the 22nd. While all sub-groups registered increases, most pronounced strength was noted for utilities which averaged 10.1 p.c. higher at 101.4; industrials averaged 3.2 p.c. higher at 77.4.

Mining stock prices also averaged substantially higher in April; the composite index for 25 representative mining issues mounted 5.5 p.c. to 68.6. A month-end index of 66.0, however, reflected an easier tendency in the latter part of April. Gold stocks in April averaged 6.1 p.c. higher at 59.0, while base metals gained 4.3 p.c. to 87.0.

Based upon an index of 30 representative issues preferred stock prices averaged 1.7 p.c. higher at 108.2 in April. Greatest strength was noted for milling shares, up 8.9 p.c. Food shares recorded the only decline of 1.3 p.c.

Yields of a Dominion of Canada theoretical 15-year bond, as computed by the Bank of Canada, recorded another fractional decline to 3.00 for April as compared with 3.01 for March.

Weekly Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices

(1926=100)

	Industrial Materials				Canadian Farm Products			
	January 1943	February 1943	March 1943	April 1943	January 1943	February 1943	March 1943	April 1943
1st Week	95.5	96.1	96.4	97.0	87.3	88.0	88.9	92.8
2nd Week	95.9	96.3	96.6	96.9	87.5	88.4	90.3	92.5
3rd Week	96.2	96.4	96.6	96.7	87.7	88.7	91.4	91.9
4th Week	96.2	96.5	96.8	96.8	88.0	88.9	92.4	92.2
5th Week				96.7				92.5

SUMMARY TABLES OF CANADIAN WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS
 (1926=100)

	General Wholesale Price Index	Consumers' Goods	Producers' Goods	Building Materials	Raw and Partly Manufactured Goods	Fully and Chiefly Manufactured Goods
1913	64.0	62.0	67.7	67.0	63.8	64.8
1920	155.9	136.1	164.3	144.0	154.1	156.5
1929	95.6	94.7	96.1	99.0	97.5	93.0
1933	67.1	71.1	63.1	78.3	56.6	70.2
1939	75.4	75.9	70.4	89.7	67.4	75.3
1940	82.9	83.4	78.7	95.6	75.3	81.5
1941	90.0	91.1	83.6	107.3	81.8	88.8
1942	95.7	95.8	88.4	115.2	90.1	92.0
<u>1939</u>						
August	72.3	72.7	66.7	90.2	62.8	72.6
<u>1942</u>						
January	94.1	95.2	86.5	113.6	87.3	91.8
February	94.6	95.2	87.1	114.4	87.9	92.0
March	95.0	95.4	87.4	114.9	88.4	92.1
April	95.0	95.3	87.8	115.1	88.7	91.9
May	95.2	95.2	88.3	115.0	89.4	91.6
June	95.8	96.0	88.7	114.9	90.6	91.5
July	96.1	96.7	88.0	114.5	90.5	91.9
August	95.5	95.4	88.7	114.5	89.8	91.8
September	95.8	95.7	89.2	114.8	90.5	92.0
October	96.6	96.5	89.4	116.5	92.0	92.2
November	97.0	97.0	89.5	116.5	92.6	92.5
December	97.0	96.8	90.1	117.2	92.7	92.7
<u>1943</u>						
January	97.1	96.6	90.8	118.3	93.0	92.7
February	97.5	96.9	91.1	118.3	93.8	92.8
March	98.5	97.1	92.6	118.4	95.6	93.4
April	98.9	97.0	93.1	119.4	97.1	92.9

SUMMARY TABLES OF CANADIAN WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS - Concl'd
 (1926=100)

	Canadian Farm Products			Industrial Materials	Eighteen Sensitive Materials	Twelve Stable Materials
	Field	Animal	Total			
1913	56.4	77.0	64.1	-	-	-
1920	166.5	150.8	160.6	-	-	-
1929	93.8	112.5	100.8	91.8	88.8	96.5
1933	45.8	59.7	51.0	54.1	43.7	75.0
1939	54.2	81.2	64.3	69.0	57.8	89.4
1940	56.0	85.8	67.1	79.0	66.8	101.7
1941	56.5	95.9	71.2	87.3	75.2	109.2
1942	66.5	109.2	82.5	94.2	83.1	113.7
<u>1939</u>						
August	48.2	75.4	58.4	65.3	52.8	88.4
<u>1942</u>						
January	62.8	106.7	79.2	92.4	81.3	111.8
February	64.4	107.3	80.4	93.2	81.8	113.3
March	64.6	107.9	80.8	93.3	82.0	113.3
April	65.0	108.9	81.4	93.5	82.3	113.3
May	65.5	104.8	80.2	94.2	83.0	114.0
June	66.3	107.0	81.5	94.8	83.9	114.0
July	67.7	103.5	81.1	94.6	83.6	114.0
August	68.4	103.0	81.3	94.3	83.1	114.0
September	67.6	112.2	84.3	94.8	83.9	114.0
October	67.9	115.5	85.7	95.0	83.9	114.4
November	68.4	116.7	86.5	94.9	83.8	114.4
December	69.0	117.3	87.1	95.1	84.1	114.4
<u>1943</u>						
January	70.6	116.2	87.7	96.1	84.9	115.6
February	71.6	116.8	88.5	96.3	85.3	115.6
March	75.4	117.6	91.2	96.6	85.8	115.6
April	76.8	118.2	92.3	96.7	85.7	116.0

COMPONENT CLASSIFICATION

(1926=100)

Note: Wholesale price indexes appearing in this bulletin are subject to revision.

Commodity	No. of Series	Yearly Price	April 1942	Feb. 1943	March 1943	April 1943
	526	95.7	95.0	97.5	98.5	98.9
Total Index						
I. Vegetable Products	123	84.5	83.4	86.9	88.7	89.9
Fruits	14	107.9	96.4	112.1	113.7	122.7
Fresh	4	115.6	100.5	121.6	123.7	135.7
Dried	4	93.4	93.6	93.7	93.7	93.7
Canned	6	75.9	74.2	73.5	73.5	73.5
Grains	22	63.7	61.6	68.7	72.5	73.9
Flour and Milled Products	12	77.0	75.2	79.0	78.9	78.9
Bakery Products	2	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8
Vegetable Oils	4	132.1	132.4	132.2	132.2	132.2
Rubber and Its Products	7	75.7	75.7	75.7	75.7	75.7
Sugar and Its Products and						
Glucose	8	120.6	120.6	120.6	120.6	120.6
Tea, Coffee, Cocoa and Spices	13	121.3	122.0	109.6	109.6	109.6
Vegetables	13	93.1	96.1	101.4	106.7	112.0
II. Animals and Their Products	75	101.1	99.6	105.0	105.6	105.7
Fishery Products	16	111.0	109.7	119.1	120.6	120.6
Furs	9	74.3	81.9	78.2	80.6	94.1
Hides and Skins	6	114.6	126.6	123.1	124.9	125.6
Leather, Unmanufactured	9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9
Boots and Shoes	2	105.6	105.3	105.7	105.7	105.7
Live Stock	4	130.7	130.2	145.6	147.2	146.6
Meats and Poultry	9	106.1	103.7	111.2	112.6	112.1
Milk and Its Products	12	97.8	97.4	99.6	99.7	99.5
Eggs	5	76.2	77.2	89.6	89.6	83.8
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile						
Products	64	92.1	92.0	91.9	91.9	91.9
Cotton Fabrics	19	82.6	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5
Knit Goods	3	100.5	101.3	98.9	98.9	98.9
Flax, Hemp and Jute Products	6	91.4	90.9	92.2	92.2	92.2
Rayon Fabrics	2	67.4	67.2	67.2	67.2	67.2
Rayon Yarns	2	49.1	49.0	49.0	49.0	49.0
Wool, Raw	3	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7
Wool Hosiery and Knit Goods	5	108.8	108.8	108.8	108.8	108.8
Wool Cloth	6	105.2	105.2	105.2	105.2	105.2
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	101.8	101.4	104.0	106.5	107.3
Newspaper and Wrapping Paper	2	74.0	74.0	74.0	79.5	79.5
Lumber	33	133.0	132.6	139.3	139.3	141.8
Pulp	3	118.1	116.4	119.0	119.0	119.0
Furniture	10	104.7	104.7	104.7	104.7	104.7

COMPONENT CLASSIFICATION

(1936=100)

Linen Category	Commodity	Series	No. of Price	Early Average				April 1942	April 1943	April 1943
				April 1942	Feb. 1943	March 1943	April 1943			
V.	Iron and Its Products	41	115.1	115.4	115.4	115.4	115.3			
5.02	Pig Iron and Steel Bullets	3	101.5	104.5	104.8	104.8	104.8			
5.03	Rolling Mill Products	14	131.0	121.6	121.5	121.5	121.3			
5.04	Hardware	16	93.9	93.9	93.9	93.9	93.9			
5.05	Wire	5	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4			
5.06	Scrap	6	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9			
VI.	Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	78.4	77.8	79.7	79.7	79.7			
5.07	Brass and Copper Products	5	86.7	86.7	86.7	86.7	86.7			
5.08	Lead and Its Products	2	63.1	62.1	62.1	62.1	62.1			
5.09	Tin Ingots	2	95.7	96.1	95.6	95.6	95.6			
5.10	Zinc and Its Products	2	59.1	59.1	59.1	59.1	59.1			
5.031	Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	61	102.9	102.9	103.5	103.5	103.4			
5.001	(V and VI Above)	51								
VII.	Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	81	90.9	90.9	100.6	100.6	100.6			
5.081	Clay and Allied Materials Products	10	97.6	96.3	101.3	101.3	101.3			
5.081	Coke	23	113.0	111.6	114.4	114.4	114.4			
5.081	Manufactured Gas	24	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5			
5.081	Glass and Its Products	26	103.5	102.5	103.5	103.5	103.5			
5.081	Petroleum Products	25	104.4	104.4	104.4	104.4	104.4			
5.08	Asphalt	22	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.3			
5.08	Salt	24	130.6	130.6	130.6	130.6	130.6			
5.08	Lime	24	112.2	112.2	112.2	112.2	112.2			
	Cement	1	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5			
	Sand and Gravel	3	89.0	87.3	89.0	89.0	89.0			
5.10	Crushed Stone	23	83.0	80.3	91.1	93.4	93.4			
5.08	Building Stone	23	70.8	70.8	70.8	70.8	70.8			
5.09	Asbestos	23	74.1	73.1	74.1	74.1	74.1			
5.09		2								
VIII.	Chemicals and Allied Products	73	102.9	104.5	103.0	103.1	100.5			
5.09	Inorganic Chemicals	22	89.0	89.1	88.8	89.3	89.3			
5.09	Organic Chemicals	65	90.4	90.4	90.4	90.4	90.4			
5.001	Coal Tar Products	22	91.1	91.1	91.1	91.1	91.1			
5.001	Dyeing and Tanning Materials	10	136.4	136.4	136.4	136.4	140.0			
	Explosives	2	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1			
5.101	Paints, Prepared	21	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5			
5.07	Drugs and Pharmaceutical	5								
5.141	Chemicals	22	175.1	176.0	167.7	167.7	162.6			
5.011	Fertilizers	10	86.2	88.1	83.7	83.7	83.7			
5.401	Industrial Gases	2	83.3	83.5	83.3	83.1	83.2			

PURPOSE CLASSIFICATION
(1926=100)

Commodity	Series	No. of Items	Yearly Price Average					April 1943	March 1943	April 1943
			April	Feb.	March	April				
			1942	1943	1943	1943				

I. CONSUMERS' GOODS (Groups A and B)	172	215	95.8	95.3	96.9	97.1	97.0			
	173	118	98.0	96.2	100.7	101.4	101.9			
	174	97	94.4	94.7	94.3	94.3	93.8			
III. PRODUCERS' GOODS (Groups C and D)	175	377	88.4	87.8	91.1	92.6	93.1			
	176	24	109.9	108.5	111.1	111.2	111.2			
	177	353	86.0	85.5	88.9	90.5	91.1			
ORIGIN CLASSIFICATION										

Total Raw and Partly Manufactured	178	223	90.1	88.7	93.8	95.6	97.1			
	179	84	73.1	72.0	76.9	80.2	82.0			
	180	36	102.9	100.7	107.4	108.4	110.5			
Total Fully and Chiefly Manufactured	181	7	98.6	93.9	108.1	110.3	110.3			
	182	37	128.5	127.7	133.1	133.1	134.9			
	183	59	94.6	93.7	96.2	96.2	95.9			
ORIGIN CLASSIFICATION										

x Included both domestic and export prices.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES
 (All prices given in Canadian Funds)

Commodity		Yearly Average 1942	April 1942	Feb. 1943	March 1943	April 1943
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern						
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur cash basis	bush.	.835	.790	.905	.971	.990
OATS, No. 2 C.W.						
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur, cash basis	bush	.491	.513	.513	.510	.513
FLOUR, First Patent, 2-98's						
Cotton bags, Toronto		5.050	5.050	5.050	5.050	5.050
SUGAR, Granulated, Montreal	cwt.	6.893	6.893	6.893	6.893	6.893
LINSEED OIL, Raw, Montreal	gal.	.896	.900	.900	.900	.900
STEERS, good up to 1,050 lbs.						
Toronto	cwt.	10.408	10.360	11.640	11.770	11.750
HOGS, Bl., Dressed, Toronto	cwt.	15.726	15.190	16.910	17.160	16.730
PACKER HIDES, Native Steers, Toronto	lb.	.150	.150	.150	.150	.150
LEATHER, Packer crops, No. I and II						
f.o.b. Distributing points	lb.	.480	.480	.480	.480	.480
BOX SIDES D, f.o.b. Ont. factory	ft.	.240	.240	.240	.240	.240
BUTTER, Creamery prints, first grade						
Montreal	lb.	.365	.364	.369	.369	.369
CHEESE, Canada, old large, Montreal	lb.	.339	.338	.313	.305	.305
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.406	.330	.403	.387	.385
COTTON YARNS, 10's white single						
Hosiery cops, Mill	lb.	.303	.315	.293	.293	.293
WOOL, eastern bright & blood						
Domestic, f.o.b. Ontario	lb.	.310	.310	.310	.310	.310
WOOL, western range, semi-bright						
½ blood, domestic, f.o.b. Ontario	lb.	.260	.260	.260	.260	.260
PULP, groundwood, No. 1, delivered,						
Eastern Continental Divide	ton	50.233	49.500	50.600	50.600	50.600
STEEL, Merchant bars, mild, Mill	cwt.	2.754	2.754	2.754	2.754	2.754
PIG IRON, foundry No. 1, f.o.b.						
Plant	gross ton	25.500	25.500	25.500	25.500	25.500
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic,						
Montreal	cwt.	11.500	11.500	11.500	11.500	11.500
LEAD, domestic, f.o.b. carlots						
Montreal	cwt.	5.000	5.000	5.000	5.000	5.000
TIN INGOTS, Straits, f.o.b. Toronto	lb.	.620	.620	.620	.620	.620
ZINC, domestic, f.o.b. carlots,						
Montreal	cwt.	5.150	5.150	5.150	5.150	5.150
COAL, Anthracite, Toronto,						
f.o.b. carlots	ton	12.540	12.553	13.224	13.224	12.414
COAL, Bituminous, N.S., run-of-mine	ton	5.700	5.700	5.700	5.700	5.700
GASOLINE, Standard, Toronto.						
Federal tax included	gal.	.215	.215	.215	.215	.215
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume,						
f.o.b. works	net ton	18.000	18.000	18.000	18.000	18.000

9.
PRICE INDEX NUMBER SYNOPSIS

(CHARTS I, V, VI - Average of 1926 Prices=100)
 (CHARTS II, III, & IV - Average of 1935-39 Prices=100)

CHART I

120

110

100

90

80

70

General Wholesale

Industrial Materials

1941

1942

1943

CHART II

150

140

130

Foods
Cost of Living

1941

1942

1943

CHART III

120

100

80

60

40

20

1941

1942

1943

Bond
Yields

Preferred Stocks

110

100

90

80

70

CHART V

110

100

Fully and Chiefly
Manufactured Goods

90

Raw and Partly
Manufactured
Goods

80

70

60

1941

1942

1943

CHART VI

140

120

Animal Products

Composite - Canadian
Farm Products

100

80

60

Field Products

40

1941

1942

1943

INDEX NUMBERS OF LIVING COSTS IN CANADA, 1939-APRIL 1, 1943
(1935-39=100)

	Percentage Increase Since August 1, 1939	Total Index	Food Index	Rent Index	Fuel and Light- ing Index	Clothing Index	Home Furnish- ings and Services Index	Miscel- laneous Index	Retail Prices Index (Commod- ities only)
1939	0.7	101.5	100.6	103.8	101.2	100.7	101.4	101.4	101.0
1940	4.8	105.6	105.6	106.3	107.1	109.2	107.2	102.3	106.6
1941	10.8	111.7	116.1	109.4	110.3	116.1	113.6	105.1	114.9
1942	16.1	117.0	127.2	111.3	112.8	120.0	117.9	107.1	122.4
<u>1939</u> - August 1....	-	100.8	99.3	103.8	99.0	100.1	100.9	101.3	100.0
<u>1941</u> - August 1....	12.8	113.7	121.3	109.7	110.5	115.7	114.3	106.1	117.7
September 2..	13.8	114.7	123.3	109.7	110.9	117.4	115.8	106.4	119.4
October 1...	14.6	115.5	123.2	111.2	112.1	119.6	117.3	106.5	120.1
November 1..	15.4	116.3	125.4	111.2	112.7	120.0	117.9	106.7	121.4
December 1..	14.9	115.8	123.8	111.2	112.7	119.9	117.9	106.7	120.6
<u>1942</u> - January 2...	14.5	115.4	122.3	111.2	112.9	119.9	118.0	106.8	119.9
February 2..	14.8	115.7	123.1	111.2	112.9	119.8	118.0	107.1	120.3
March 2....	15.0	115.9	123.7	111.2	112.9	119.8	118.0	107.1	120.6
April 1....	15.0	115.9	123.7	111.2	112.9	119.8	118.1	107.1	120.6
May 1.....	15.2	116.1	124.3	111.3	112.9	119.9	118.0	107.1	120.9
June 1.....	15.8	116.7	126.2	111.3	112.6	119.9	117.9	107.1	121.8
* July 2....	17.0	117.9	130.3	111.3	112.5	120.0	117.9	107.1	123.9
August 1....	16.8	117.7	129.6	111.3	112.5	120.1	117.8	107.1	123.5
September 1.	16.5	117.4	128.5	111.3	112.5	120.1	117.8	107.1	123.0
October 1...	16.9	117.8	129.8	111.3	112.8	120.1	117.8	107.1	123.7
November 2..	17.7	118.6	132.4	111.3	112.8	120.1	117.8	107.1	125.0
December 1..	17.9	118.8	132.8	111.3	112.8	120.2	117.8	107.2	125.2
<u>1943</u> - January 2...	16.2	117.1	127.3	111.3	112.8	120.2	117.8	107.5	122.5
February 1..	16.0	116.9	126.7	111.3	112.7	120.1	117.8	107.5	122.2
March 1....	16.3	117.2	127.7	111.3	112.7	120.1	117.8	107.5	122.7
April 1....	16.7	117.6	128.7	111.3	112.7	120.2	117.8	107.7	123.2

* By Order-in-Council P.C. 6219 as amended, prices of cigarettes and tobacco used in the index for purposes of computing cost-of-living bonuses do not include the tax imposed on June 24, 1942, by the Special War Revenue Act. Since indirect taxes of this kind previously have been included in the index, an April figure reflecting the new tax has been computed to maintain continuity with preceding calculations. This index is 118.5.

INDEX NUMBERS OF TOTAL LIVING COSTS AND FOOD PRICES IN EIGHT REGIONAL CITIES
(August 1939=100)

		Hali-	Saint	Mont-	Tor-	Winni-	Saska-	Edmon-	Van-	
		fax	John	real	onto	peg	atoon	ton	couver	
<u>GENERAL COST OF LIVING</u>										
<u>1940</u>	- February	1 ...	103.4	103.0	104.4	102.5	102.6	104.6	103.1	102.9
	April	1 ...	104.9	104.2	105.4	103.2	103.3	105.1	103.7	103.4
	June	1 ...	105.5	104.1	106.2	103.4	103.2	104.7	103.8	103.0
	August	1 ...	107.5	105.4	107.0	104.2	104.6	105.3	103.7	103.7
	October	1 ...	107.0	107.0	108.3	105.1	105.2	106.9	104.2	104.0
	December	2 ...	108.0	108.7	109.4	105.8	106.3	108.6	105.6	105.3
<u>1941</u>	- February	1 ...	107.9	108.3	109.8	106.0	106.0	108.7	105.5	106.1
	April	1 ...	107.8	108.2	109.9	106.3	106.2	109.0	105.5	106.5
	June	2 ...	108.8	108.8	111.9	108.7	107.8	110.3	107.0	107.5
	August	1 ...	111.6	112.2	115.1	111.7	110.3	113.1	109.8	110.4
	October	1 ...	112.7	113.2	116.3	114.0	112.2	115.7	111.4	112.3
	November	1 ...	113.7	114.6	117.2	115.0	113.1	116.4	111.6	112.9
	December	1 ...	113.1	114.5	116.8	114.5	113.1	116.4	111.4	112.4
<u>1942</u>	- February	2 ...	113.5	115.2	117.1	114.5	112.4	115.7	110.9	112.1
	April	1 ...	113.5	115.1	117.4	114.7	112.6	116.1	111.1	112.2
	June	1 ...	114.0	115.4	118.2	115.5	113.1	116.2	112.0	113.1
	August	1 ...	115.8	117.2	118.7	116.2	115.0	117.5	114.1	115.0
	October	1 ...	115.5	116.6	119.4	116.3	114.5	117.0	113.6	115.4
	December	1 ...	116.2	117.3	120.3	116.8	115.6	118.5	115.0	116.8
<u>1943</u>	- February	1 ...	114.7	115.9	118.8	115.3	114.1	116.7	113.5	114.7
	April	1 ...	115.7	116.7	119.0	115.4	114.7	117.4	114.1	116.7
<u>FOODS</u>										
<u>1940</u>	- February	1 ...	106.8	106.1	106.5	103.6	105.6	109.8	106.9	106.1
	April	1 ...	108.1	106.2	107.1	104.1	105.6	109.0	106.8	106.0
	June	1 ...	106.5	105.6	105.4	103.5	104.6	105.5	106.4	104.5
	August	1 ...	112.3	108.4	105.5	104.5	107.9	106.1	104.6	105.8
	October	1 ...	112.0	107.9	107.3	105.9	107.0	106.6	105.2	105.6
	December	2 ...	115.2	112.5	110.6	107.6	110.3	112.1	109.9	109.0
<u>1941</u>	- February	1 ...	114.4	110.5	111.1	108.0	109.0	111.5	108.2	110.9
	April	1 ...	114.0	110.3	111.5	103.8	109.9	112.5	108.1	112.0
	June	2 ...	115.2	110.8	115.4	111.3	112.0	111.5	110.6	112.7
	August	1 ...	124.6	119.4	124.4	119.6	119.5	120.2	118.9	120.4
	October	1 ...	124.7	119.4	125.9	122.5	121.6	126.1	121.8	124.0
	November	1 ...	128.1	122.7	127.9	125.5	123.9	127.0	121.9	123.6
	December	1 ...	126.4	122.5	126.5	123.5	124.1	127.1	121.1	124.1
<u>1942</u>	- February	2 ...	127.3	124.1	127.1	123.2	121.7	124.9	119.4	122.8
	April	1 ...	127.3	123.9	128.0	123.9	122.4	126.2	119.7	123.3
	June	1 ...	129.0	124.9	130.7	126.7	124.1	126.5	123.0	126.0
	August	1 ...	135.1	130.1	132.3	129.0	129.9	130.7	130.2	131.9
	October	1 ...	133.5	128.3	134.0	129.5	128.5	129.1	128.2	133.1
	December	1 ...	136.2	130.5	136.9	131.3	132.0	134.3	133.3	137.5
<u>1943</u>	- February	1 ...	130.8	124.6	132.0	126.1	126.8	127.8	126.2	129.4
	April	1 ...	132.7	127.0	132.6	126.2	129.0	129.9	128.2	135.8

INVESTORS' MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS
 (1935-39=100)

Number of Securities 1943	GENERAL		INDUSTRIALS						Food and Allied Pro- ducts 12
	Total	Total	Machin- ery and Equip- ment	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing		
	95	68	8	7	3	4	10		
<u>1941</u>	January	71.3	66.9	77.6	74.1	72.3	51.6	110.6	96.8
	February	66.5	62.3	72.9	63.8	69.5	48.7	105.0	90.1
	March	66.8	63.1	73.6	65.4	69.5	49.5	103.1	87.9
	April	65.8	62.3	73.2	63.9	68.6	49.4	101.3	88.6
	May	63.9	60.7	71.8	59.7	63.4	51.3	97.4	88.6
	June	64.0	60.3	72.0	59.5	67.5	48.0	101.1	90.1
	July	67.5	64.0	76.3	66.1	67.5	48.4	105.7	90.5
	August	67.8	64.4	76.8	70.2	72.4	49.1	106.3	91.8
	September	71.0	67.5	80.5	78.5	75.1	51.3	108.4	93.3
	October	69.1	65.5	78.3	75.5	74.5	51.2	105.7	91.9
	November	68.8	65.3	78.2	76.4	74.9	52.9	110.0	91.0
	December	67.2	63.9	75.5	72.9	72.2	49.0	110.4	91.4
<u>1942</u>	January	66.8	62.9	74.3	71.9	74.5	45.9	112.8	88.7
	February	64.7	60.8	73.4	69.3	69.7	43.6	108.7	85.5
	March	62.3	57.8	69.7	66.1	70.9	41.2	104.3	75.8
	April	61.1	56.6	70.6	63.2	69.6	41.4	102.4	74.2
	May	62.0	57.9	74.7	61.1	70.5	43.2	104.3	73.5
	June	62.8	58.4	76.2	61.1	69.6	44.5	106.6	73.9
	July	62.4	58.6	76.6	58.9	65.3	46.6	100.4	75.9
	August	61.6	58.5	76.0	56.0	61.2	47.5	97.7	75.3
	September	62.6	59.8	77.9	55.9	62.0	49.0	99.8	74.2
	October	65.0	62.2	80.3	57.8	64.9	51.0	99.6	74.0
	November	67.6	64.1	82.5	62.6	72.3	53.7	101.6	77.1
	December	71.3	67.2	86.0	71.2	81.9	57.9	109.3	82.5
<u>1943</u>	January	76.3	72.1	90.3	75.3	82.4	62.9	114.3	88.2
	February	78.7	75.6	94.0	75.8	88.3	67.2	117.4	88.1
	March	79.1	75.0	96.7	77.1	89.5	65.6	118.1	81.6
	April	82.6	77.4	100.8	79.6	93.3	67.7	121.1	87.4

INVESTORS' MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS - Concl'd
(1935-39=100)

Number of Securities 1943	INDUSTRIALS - Concl'd				UTILITIES				BANKS
	Bever- ages	Build- ing Mater- ials	In- dust- rial Mines	Total	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Trac- tion	Total	
	7	15	2	19	2	2	15		
<u>1941</u> - January	104.3	84.0	73.2	77.3	60.9	101.2	75.4	94.7	
February	96.6	77.3	67.3	71.3	51.6	100.2	68.8	90.9	
March	93.7	78.5	69.0	70.7	55.7	99.2	67.0	89.9	
April	88.1	77.8	67.8	68.2	57.3	97.8	62.2	89.7	
May	82.8	74.4	62.6	65.2	54.8	91.6	60.3	88.3	
June	87.3	74.9	64.2	67.1	58.9	92.0	62.0	89.0	
July	94.3	77.8	72.3	70.6	65.8	93.0	65.3	89.7	
August	95.7	79.7	71.5	71.2	70.0	94.6	64.4	89.7	
September	102.4	82.4	75.8	74.7	70.3	98.6	68.8	91.2	
October	98.7	78.9	71.7	72.5	65.7	96.8	67.2	90.8	
November	102.6	77.8	68.9	71.1	65.2	95.3	65.5	91.7	
December	104.8	75.5	69.7	68.7	60.4	95.9	63.0	90.5	
<u>1942</u> - January	99.2	75.1	71.9	70.4	64.5	95.5	64.4	91.1	
February	96.3	73.9	70.1	67.7	60.5	93.5	62.1	91.1	
March	92.8	74.0	67.3	67.5	59.4	93.5	62.0	89.4	
April	93.1	73.9	64.2	66.3	60.6	91.9	60.2	88.4	
May	94.2	75.7	65.2	66.4	59.6	92.0	60.7	87.4	
June	93.6	76.8	64.9	68.1	56.6	92.3	64.3	87.7	
July	95.5	75.3	62.7	67.8	58.4	86.5	65.2	81.7	
August	98.3	73.1	61.9	67.8	58.8	80.8	66.9	71.9	
September	98.7	71.2	64.1	69.2	62.5	83.4	67.1	69.0	
October	98.9	70.8	68.4	72.0	73.4	83.9	67.9	70.3	
November	105.5	74.9	68.0	77.6	85.7	87.1	72.1	72.3	
December	107.3	79.6	69.1	83.8	88.2	89.8	80.7	74.4	
<u>1943</u> - January	109.7	84.0	74.3	90.0	92.1	93.3	88.5	76.7	
February	111.8	85.0	78.6	88.0	84.7	92.2	88.0	78.6	
March	113.9	85.3	79.6	92.1	102.1	93.7	88.6	80.2	
April	128.2	89.5	79.7	101.4	123.3	96.8	95.8	80.9	

INDEX NUMBERS OF TWENTY-FIVE MINING STOCKS

(1935-39=100)

No. of Stocks		Golds	Base Metals	Total Index
1943		22	3	25
1942 - January		50.5	84.3	61.9
February		45.4	81.5	57.5
March		40.1	75.3	51.9
April		37.5	72.8	49.3
May		39.6	75.8	51.7
June		42.6	74.3	53.2
July		39.3	73.3	50.6
August		38.0	72.3	49.4
September		38.4	72.1	49.7
October		33.3	71.8	46.2
November		40.7	73.2	51.6
December		44.7	74.4	54.7
1943 - January		50.1	79.4	60.0
February		52.0	80.3	61.5
March		55.6	83.4	65.0
April		59.0	87.0	68.6
<u>Weekly Index Numbers</u>				
Week ending March 18th		54.0	82.4	63.6
" " 25th		56.4	86.0	66.4
" " April 1st		58.2	88.4	68.4
" " 8th		62.5	89.4	71.7
" " 15th		60.5	86.5	69.4
" " 22nd		57.2	86.3	67.1
" " 29th		55.9	85.9	66.0
" May 6th		56.4	88.2	67.1

MONTHLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCK PRICES, 1942-1943.

(Issued by Standard and Poor's Trade Securities)

(1935-39=100)

	Composite	Industrials	Railroads	Utilities
1942 - April	65.3	64.8	61.1	56.5
May	63.2	64.7	60.3	57.2
June	66.1	68.2	59.0	58.8
July	68.2	70.6	62.9	58.4
August	68.3	70.5	65.4	58.8
September	69.4	71.6	66.7	59.5
October	74.2	76.5	72.7	63.7
November	75.2	77.2	73.0	66.2
December	75.9	78.5	69.3	65.2
1943 - January	79.7	82.3	73.7	69.3
February	84.8	87.7	77.5	73.3
March	88.2	90.8	86.4	76.2
April	91.3	93.7	92.8	79.1

MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELDS, * 1937-1943
(1935-1939=100)

	<u>1937</u>	<u>1938</u>	<u>1939</u>	<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>	<u>1943</u>
January	95.2	102.2	97.3	109.3	100.6	99.4	98.8
February	100.1	100.8	97.2	107.2	100.8	99.3	98.5
March	106.4	100.3	95.4	107.9	100.5	99.6	97.6
April	107.2	97.4	96.3	105.5	100.6	99.6	97.3
May	106.4	96.2	97.8	104.5	101.1	99.5	-
June	105.6	98.0	95.7	107.8	101.9	98.8	-
July	104.4	98.7	96.0	107.0	101.5	96.7	-
August	102.9	98.8	98.6	104.3	101.2	99.0	-
September	103.2	101.9	117.0	103.1	100.3	99.4	-
October	106.2	99.3	111.9	102.6	100.2	99.6	-
November	105.7	97.4	108.4	101.9	99.1	99.6	-
December	102.9	97.2	110.5	101.0	99.3	99.4	-

WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BONDS. 1942-1943

	<u>Yields</u>		<u>Yields</u>		<u>Yields</u>
February	3.....	98.6	March	3.....	97.7
"	10.....	98.6	"	10.....	97.7
"	17.....	98.3	"	17.....	97.7
"	24.....	98.3	"	24.....	97.7
			"	31.....	97.3

INDEX NUMBERS OF 30 PREFERRED STOCK PRICES, 1936-1943
(1935-1939=100)

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