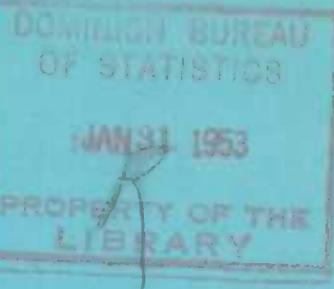


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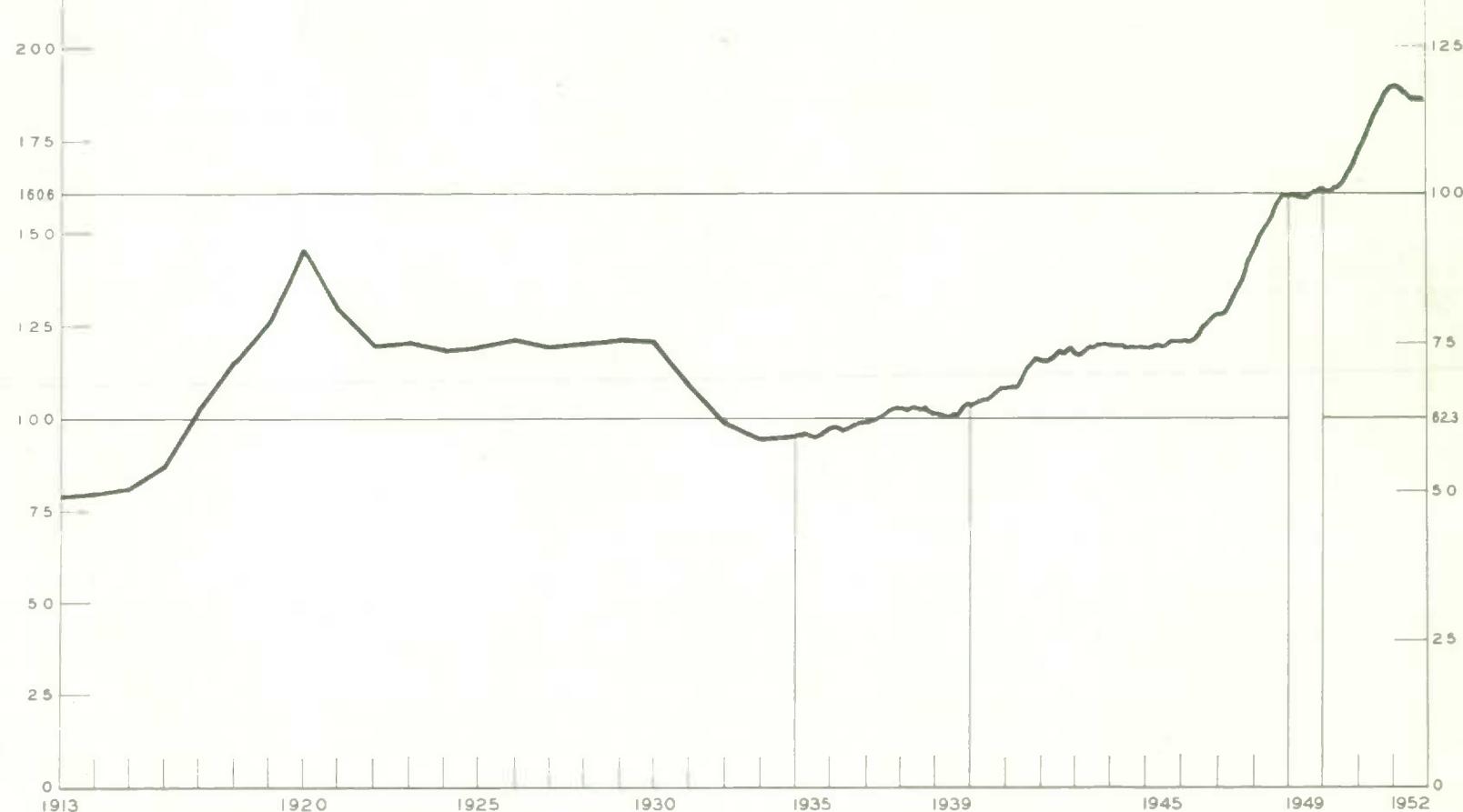
THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX*

ANNUALLY, 1913-1934

MONTHLY, 1935 - DECEMBER, 1952

1935-39=100

1949=100



* THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PRIOR TO JANUARY 1949 IS THE COST-OF-LIVING INDEX INCLUSIVE OF ALL TOBACCO TAXES, LINKED TO THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.

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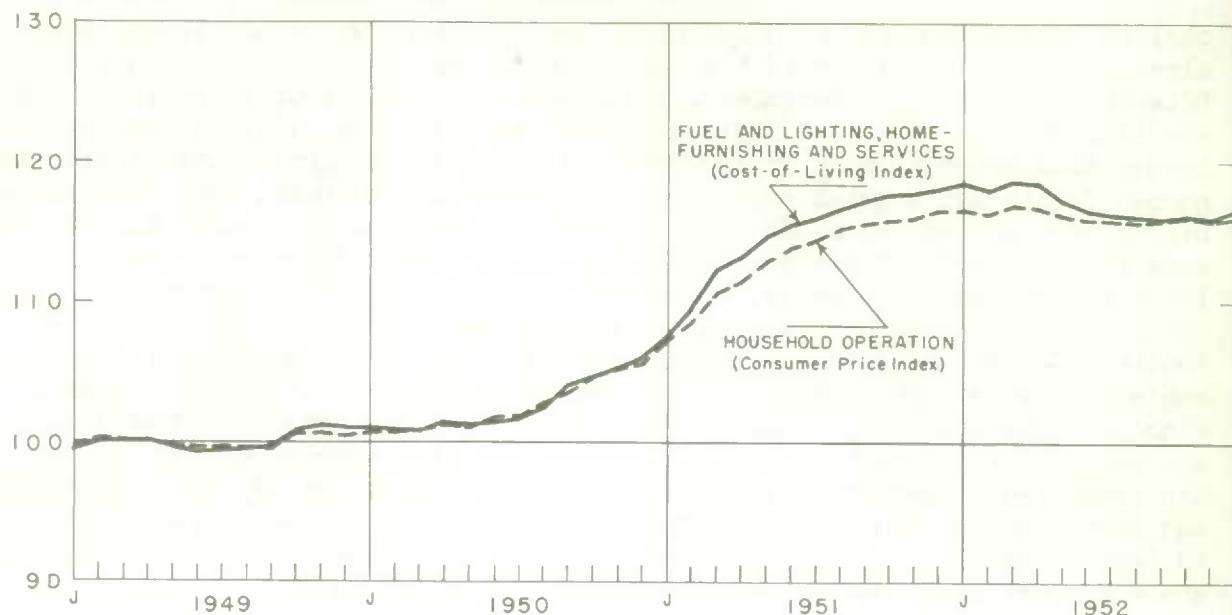
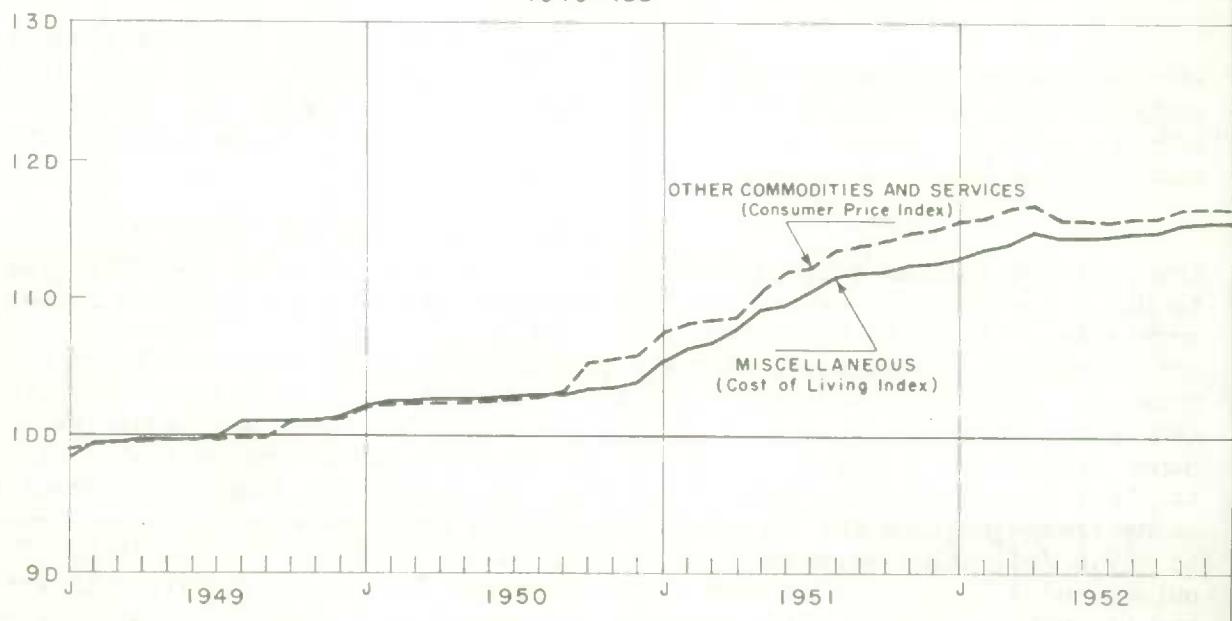


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OTHER COMMODITIES AND SERVICES INDEXES

THE OTHER COMMODITIES AND SERVICES COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AND
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1949 = 100



NOTES ON PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1949 = 100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics' Consumer Price Index decreased 0.26 per cent from 116.1 to 115.8 between November 1 and December 1. The latest decline came at the end of a six month period during which the index remained almost unchanged, and marked the lowest point reached by the index during 1952. Between November 1 and December 1 foods were the only group to register a substantial change. The food index decreased from 115.7 to 114.1 following a larger than seasonal drop in the price of eggs, and slightly lower prices for canned fruits and vegetables, grapefruit, potatoes and pork. Somewhat higher prices were quoted for other fresh fruits and vegetables, cheese, butter, and some cuts of beef. These price changes were in combination with seasonally lower consumption of bananas, fresh tomatoes and pre-cooked meats, and higher seasonal consumption of fats, canned pears, and lamb. The clothing index declined fractionally from 109.8 to 109.7 as slight decreases in men's and children's wear were partially offset by a small advance in the footwear index. Within the household operation group lower prices for household textiles, supplies and services were overbalanced by increases in the price of anthracite coal and the group index increased from 115.9 to 116.1. The index of other commodities and services remained unchanged at 116.6. The shelter index advanced from 121.4 to 122.2 under the influence of a 0.9 per cent increase in the rent component and a 0.3 per cent advance in the home-ownership series.

COST-OF-LIVING INDEX (1935-1939 = 100)

Between November 1 and December 1 the Cost-of-Living Index decreased 0.32 per cent from 184.8 to 184.2.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-1939 = 100)

December witnessed a continuation of the almost steady decline in wholesale prices over the past year and one-half. The composite index stood at 221.2 for December as compared with the 1952 low point of 221.0 for October and the 1951 low of 237.7, reached in December of that year.

Between November and December 1952 the general wholesale price index declined from 221.9 to 221.2. Four of the eight major component groups contributed to the decline while four moved up. As in previous months, commodity losses continued to be concentrated in basic raw and semi-manufactured items.

Fibres, textiles, and textile products registered the greatest decline between November and December, the index changing from 244.8 to 241.4 due to lower prices for binder twine, raw cotton and cotton yarns. In vegetable products an index reduction from 204.6 to 202.7 reflected commodity price weakness for potatoes, certain grains, automobile tires and tubes and oranges. Slightly lower quotations for newsprint, wood pulp and cedar lumber (shingles) were reflected in a drop in the index for wood, wood products and paper from 293.4 to 291.2. Chemicals and allied products moved down from 176.4 to 176.1 due to lower quotations for paint materials and drugs and pharmaceuticals. Among groups registering increases were animal products which advanced from 235.4 to 237.4 reflecting advances in livestock except hogs, meats, and fish. These outweighed a sharp drop in eggs. Higher prices for imported coal, both anthracite and bituminous, window glass and sand and gravel overbalanced a small decrease

in sulphur to move the index for non-metallic minerals from 173.5 to 174.9. Iron and its products changed from 221.2 to 221.4 due to small advances in certain specifications of iron and steel pipe and tubing and hardware. For non-ferrous metals a group index change of 0.1 points to 167.7 was due to firmness for lead and solder which outweighed small declines in gold, silver and tin.

Canadian farm products prices at terminal markets moved down from 222.9 to 222.3 between November and December due to further weakness in field products. The index for this series declined from 179.2 to 176.4 reflecting losses in grains, notably flax and rye, potatoes and raw leaf tobacco. Animal products increased from 266.5 to 268.3 in the same interval due to increases in livestock and eastern butterfat prices which outweighed sharply lower quotations for eggs.

The index for residential building material prices changed from 283.9 to 283.8 between November and December. Group changes were small with two exceptions. Roofing materials dropped from 220.0 to 217.0 due to lower quotations for western cedar shingles. On the other hand the paint and glass series moved up from 190.2 to 195.0 due to higher prices for window glass which overbalanced a decline in shellac.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

The selectively firmer tone which was in evidence for common stock prices in November continued through December. The composite index for 105 representative industrial, utility and bank stocks stood at 168.4 for December as against 167.3 for November. Compared with a year ago, however, the index has shown a drop of 8.9 points, falling from a level of 177.3.

Industrial stock sub-groups presented a mixed appearance in December, the combined index for 82 issues stiffening from 169.2 to 169.9 due to strength in machinery and equipment issues, pulp and paper, oils, building materials and food and allied products. These overbalanced losses in milling stocks, textiles and clothing, beverages and industrial mines. In the utilities section an index increase from 165.1 to 167.4 reflected strength in all three sub-components, viz. transportation issues, telephone and telegraph and power and traction. Banks were firmer, advancing from 152.9 to 155.4. Mining stock prices also were moderately higher in December due to increases for both golds and base metals. The composite index for 30 representative issues averaged 103.4 for December as against 100.8 for November. When compared with the December 1951 level the index has shown no net change. Between November and December 1951 the group index for 25 golds advanced from 71.1 to 73.2 while that for 5 base metals moved from 168.8 to 172.5.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE MOVEMENTS

TABLE 1. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-39 = 100)

Note: 1952 Wholesale Price Indexes appearing in this bulletin are subject to revision.

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
			Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	1950	1951	1952	1952	1950	1951	1952
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	225.2	237.7	221.9	221.2	- 1.8	- 6.9	- 0.3
Vegetable Products	209.5	221.0	204.6	202.7	- 3.2	- 8.3	- 0.9
Animal Products	268.7	285.8	235.4	237.4	-11.6	-16.9	- 0.8
Textile Products	285.0	268.8	244.8	241.4	-15.3	-10.2	- 1.4
Wood Products	273.8	295.2	293.4	291.2	+ 6.4	- 1.4	- 0.7
Iron Products	192.5	216.8	221.2	221.4	+15.0	+ 2.1	+ 0.1
Non-ferrous Metals	173.1	183.8	167.6	167.7	- 3.1	- 8.8	+ 0.1
Non-metallic Minerals	165.8	171.6	173.5	174.9	+ 5.5	+ 1.9	+ 0.8
Chemical Products	173.0	188.0	176.4	176.1	+ 1.8	- 6.3	- 0.2
<u>FARM PRODUCTS</u>	243.3	275.0	222.9	222.3	- 8.6	-19.2	- 0.3
Field	188.2	221.2	179.2	176.4	- 6.3	-20.3	- 1.6
Animal	298.4	328.9	266.5	268.3	-10.1	-18.4	+ 0.7

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIESBETWEEN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1952

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>	
	p.c.	p.c.	
Cod, hard, dried, (export)	16.4	Eggs, Grade A large, Calgary	26.0
Lamb carcass, Winnipeg	16.3	Lard, Winnipeg	18.3
Lambs, Toronto	15.0	Barley, Ont, good malting	12.8
Lemons, Toronto	14.7	Potatoes, Halifax	12.3
Bacon, Montreal	14.3	Automobile tubes	10.1
Lobster, fresh, Halifax	14.3	Canned corn	9.7
Raw rubber, Montreal	11.0	Oats, No. 2 C.W.	9.7
Window glass, 18 oz., 40 U.I.	10.0	Canned peaches	9.5
Sheepskins, pickled	10.0	Oranges, 252's Toronto	8.9
Calves, Winnipeg	8.8	Clear cedar bevel siding	8.7
Canned cherries	7.8	Beef carcass, good cow, Montreal	8.1
Wheat, No. 1 C.E. Mixed	7.2	Shellac	6.9
Raw wool, Australian	7.1	Ham, Winnipeg	5.8
Coal, U.S. anthracite	6.5	Flax, No. 1 C.W.	5.3
Steers, Winnipeg	5.0	Cocoanut oil	4.7

TABLE 2. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1949=100)

	INDEXES				PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	1950	1951	1952	1952	1950	1951	1952
TOTAL INDEX	106.6	118.1	116.1	115.8	+ 8.6	- 1.9	- 0.3
Food	108.4	122.5	115.7	114.1	+ 5.3	- 6.9	- 1.4
Shelter	109.6	118.2	121.4	122.2	+ 11.5	+ 3.4	+ 0.7
Clothing	101.3	115.2	109.8	109.7	+ 8.3	- 4.8	- 0.1
Household Operation	105.5	116.4	115.9	116.1	+ 10.0	- 0.3	+ 0.2
Other Commodities and Services	105.7	115.0	116.6	116.6	+ 10.3	+ 1.4	-

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1952

	INCREASES		DECREASES	
	p.c.		p.c.	
Lettuce	24.2	Eggs		20.8
Celery	22.3	Grapefruit		3.7
Fresh Tomatoes	7.4	Potatoes		3.2
Eating Apples	7.2	Canned Corn		2.5
Carrots	7.2	Drapery Material		2.3
Cabbage	5.6	Girl's Stockings		2.0
Lamb, leg roast	4.2	Gas Stove		1.7
Lard	3.8	Shoe Repairs		1.7
Bananas	2.6	Canned Salmon		1.6
Coal	1.5	Canned Peaches		1.4

TABLE 3. - SECURITY PRICE INDEXES (1935-39 = 100)

	INDEXES				PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	1950	1951	1952	1952	1950	1951	1952
Total Investors' Index	146.3	177.3	167.3	168.4	+ 15.1	- 5.0	+ .7
Total Industrials	144.4	180.6	169.2	169.9	+ 17.7	- 5.9	+ .4
Machinery & Equipment	373.5	430.4	416.1	419.1	+ 12.2	- 2.6	+ .7
Pulp & Paper	443.8	573.6	480.4	494.3	+ 11.4	- 13.8	+ 2.9
Milling	94.9	119.3	143.7	132.9	+ 40.0	+ 11.4	- 7.5
Oils	100.5	154.7	143.3	146.5	+ 45.8	- 5.3	+ 2.2
Textiles & Clothing	311.9	308.2	276.3	269.3	- 13.7	- 12.6	- 2.5
Foods	124.9	108.5	112.4	112.5	- 9.9	+ 3.7	+ .1
Beverages	428.8	405.9	370.4	367.1	- 14.4	- 9.6	- .9
Building Materials	215.6	290.0	284.8	287.6	+ 33.4	- .8	+ 1.0
Industrial Mines	112.1	140.2	133.2	130.3	+ 16.2	- 7.1	- 2.2
Total Utilities	141.2	177.0	165.1	167.4	+ 18.6	- 5.4	+ 1.4
Transportation	248.6	402.1	356.1	363.9	+ 46.4	- 9.5	+ 2.2
Telephone & Telegraph	101.3	99.0	97.8	98.4	- 2.9	.6	+ .6
Power & Traction	127.6	146.0	137.6	139.1	+ 9.0	- 4.7	+ 1.1
Banks	152.6	144.2	152.9	155.4	+ 1.8	+ 7.8	+ 1.6
Mining Stocks							
General Index	88.2	103.4	100.8	103.4	+ 17.2	-	+ 2.6
Golds	59.8	73.2	71.1	73.2	+ 22.4	-	+ 3.0
Base Metals	146.0	172.4	168.8	172.5	+ 18.2	+ .1	+ 2.2

TABLE 4. - PRINCIPAL WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX GROUPS
(1935-39 = 100)

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Date	General	General	Raw and	Fully	Indust-	Canadian Farm		
	Whole- sale Price Index	Building Mate- rials	Partly Manu- factured	and Chiefly Manu- factured	rial Mate- rials	Field	Animal	Total
	(1)							
1913	83.4	76.2	85.1	86.2	-	-	-	-
1920	203.2	163.8	194.7	208.2	-	-	-	-
1926	130.3	113.8	129.1	133.0	-	158.5	130.2	144.4
1929	124.6	112.6	126.1	123.7	-	137.2	144.4	140.8
1933	87.4	89.1	79.3	93.3	-	69.3	69.2	69.3
1938	102.0	101.4	99.4	103.5	95.8	100.9	104.8	102.9
1939	99.2	102.0	94.9	101.9	99.0	83.7	101.5	92.6
1940	108.0	108.8	103.1	109.9	113.3	85.4	106.7	96.1
1941	116.4	122.1	114.4	118.8	125.2	88.9	124.4	106.6
1942	123.0	131.1	123.0	123.7	135.1	109.7	144.6	127.1
1943	127.9	137.9	131.1	126.9	140.0	129.0	161.8	145.4
1944	130.6	144.8	134.4	129.1	143.1	144.5	166.1	155.3
1945	132.1	144.8	136.2	129.8	143.2	162.5	170.2	166.4
1946	138.9	153.4	140.1	138.0	148.6	177.9	181.2	179.5
1947	163.3	189.3	164.3	162.4	187.0	184.1	200.2	192.2
1948	193.4	222.6	196.3	192.4	222.7	200.6	263.7	232.1
1949	198.3	229.2	197.1	199.2	218.0	191.9	265.4	228.7
1950	211.2	249.9	212.8	211.0	244.6	191.9	281.4	236.7
1951	240.2	289.8	237.9	242.4	296.1	200.4	336.9	268.6
1951 Apr.	242.4	293.9	239.2	244.8	307.0	199.2	331.6	265.4
May	241.9	294.0	239.3	244.3	306.1	194.6	336.1	265.3
June	243.0	290.2	244.0	243.6	304.0	192.0	353.1	272.6
July	243.7	289.8	242.5	245.6	297.0	195.4	358.9	277.1
Aug.	241.4	290.4	237.1	245.0	287.4	195.1	348.3	271.7
Sept.	240.0	291.1	235.7	243.7	285.8	198.4	339.2	268.8
Oct.	239.6	291.4	236.3	242.7	289.4	204.9	330.4	267.7
Nov.	239.1	289.3	237.1	241.5	287.5	218.2	328.5	273.4
Dec.	237.7	289.5	236.0	239.8	284.6	221.2	328.9	275.0
1952 Jan.	236.8	289.3	233.3	239.7	281.4	224.8	318.2	271.5
Feb.	232.6	289.6	227.8	236.2	270.7	221.9	297.3	259.6
Mar.	230.8	288.1	225.5	234.6	265.1	230.1	283.3	256.7
Apr.	226.9	286.2	221.3	230.7	258.4	234.0	273.7	253.8
May	224.8	286.9	220.2	228.1	251.0	240.0	265.4	252.7
June	226.5	286.7	220.6	230.6	248.5	244.4	271.4	257.9
July	225.5	287.5	218.5	230.0	248.0	230.2	275.3	252.8
Aug.	223.9	288.4	216.3	228.8	244.7	195.3	277.2	236.2
Sept. ...	222.1	288.3	212.5	228.0	241.0	181.9	269.1	225.5
Oct.	221.0	289.4	209.9	227.7	239.7	179.7	263.0	221.3
Nov.	221.9	289.4	210.8	228.8	241.2	179.2	266.5	222.9
Dec.	221.2	288.7	210.1	228.1	241.2	176.4	268.3	222.3

(1) 1926=100 arithmetically converted to 1935-39=100.

(2) Revised from August 1951 to July 1952, to incorporate final payments for wheat,
oats and barley for crop year 1951-52. Please see note, page 30.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL
(1935-39=100)

Date	- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -									
	General	Total	Live							
	Whole- sale Index	Vege- table Products	Milled Grains	Cereal Foods	Stock Poultry	Bakery Feeds	Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned
1951 Average ..	240.2	218.6	217.3	201.0	235.3	172.8	170.8	197.7	159.7	
1951 Oct.	239.6	218.8	220.6	202.9	245.5	176.4	171.3	202.0	161.0	
Nov.	239.1	220.9	223.3	203.7	262.8	176.4	167.1	199.5	161.0	
Dec.	237.7	221.0	219.7	202.9	277.1	176.4	171.6	199.5	161.0	
1952 Jan.	236.8	220.2	216.7	199.8	273.7	177.0	176.9	198.1	160.8	
Feb.	232.6	218.2	213.5	198.1	274.1	177.0	165.6	197.9	157.7	
Mar.	230.8	218.2	212.4	198.2	262.8	177.0	170.0	196.3	157.7	
Apr.	226.9	214.0	207.8	195.3	262.8	177.0	163.9	191.5	157.7	
May.	224.8	212.4	206.1	193.9	251.5	177.0	150.7	192.7	144.5	
June	226.5	212.2	205.9	193.8	240.2	177.0	153.1	170.4	144.5	
July	225.5	208.1	201.2	195.3	221.3	177.0	163.2	170.5	140.2	
Aug.	223.9	206.4	201.7	195.9	228.9	177.0	158.0	170.5	140.2	
Sept.	222.1	204.1	202.5	196.1	228.9	177.0	162.7	170.8	140.2	
Oct.	221.0	203.9	202.4	194.7	221.3	177.0	165.5	174.7	140.2	
Nov.	221.9	204.6	203.8	196.8	218.0	177.0	165.6	174.1	145.1	
Dec.	221.2	202.7	200.9	196.6	218.0	177.0	160.2	174.1	142.0	

- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - Concluded								
Vege- table Oils and Pro- ducts	Rubber and Its Pro- ducts	Sugar and Its Pro- ducts	Tea, Coffee and Cocoa	Pota- toes	Onions	Canned Vege- tables	Raw Leaf To- bacco	
1951 Average ..	383.7	236.7	212.3	360.3	194.1	182.1	166.9	182.0
1951 Oct.	347.3	231.9	211.3	347.8	234.3	220.2	173.1	181.4
Nov.	327.6	230.3	204.8	337.2	348.6	282.8	200.9	181.8
Dec.	324.4	228.0	203.7	346.0	374.3	322.1	200.9	181.8
1952 Jan.	316.7	226.5	203.7	346.1	407.7	363.8	200.9	181.8
Feb.	302.6	222.3	200.7	358.5	395.1	411.3	200.9	180.6
Mar.	281.8	220.0	197.2	362.6	474.7	495.1	200.9	180.6
Apr.	274.8	202.9	186.1	355.9	523.0	507.2	200.9	180.6
May	253.2	199.7	180.6	359.4	588.4	507.2	200.9	180.6
June	271.3	193.5	180.2	355.3	628.9	507.2	200.9	180.2
July	271.8	189.1	180.3	358.3	526.7	330.7	200.9	180.2
Aug.	260.7	192.2	175.1	346.7	472.1	316.9	206.8	180.2
Sept.	266.9	189.9	175.1	341.9	341.6	269.5	206.8	180.2
Oct.	283.7	189.2	173.3	345.2	327.8	238.2	204.7	180.2
Nov.	303.3	187.4	173.1	350.6	331.3	260.2	204.7	174.2
Dec.	300.6	185.6	173.1	347.7	305.6	261.7	201.7	173.8

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39=100)

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								
Date	Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanufactured	Boots and Shoes	Live-stock Steers	
1951 Average	297.7	283.7	128.0	313.4	297.6	216.5	407.8	545.6
1951 Oct.	294.8	280.9	115.8	274.6	274.3	218.8	397.5	557.2
Nov.	289.4	284.4	115.8	208.2	245.0	216.3	393.8	556.5
Dec.	285.8	290.4	115.8	201.7	234.1	209.3	397.5	565.2
1952 Jan.	282.2	301.4	115.8	191.1	230.7	209.6	383.1	537.0
Feb.	264.8	299.6	110.0	144.9	212.0	209.1	347.4	475.2
Mar.	259.1	305.1	104.8	130.9	205.6	207.5	323.0	423.9
Apr.	248.4	295.1	104.8	114.5	199.2	207.1	310.0	404.6
May	242.1	286.1	105.6	133.4	200.8	199.5	307.0	402.3
June	245.7	284.9	105.8	126.3	204.9	199.5	313.9	424.3
July	247.1	273.1	108.1	133.8	204.9	199.5	317.4	434.9
Aug.	244.9	272.1	108.1	136.6	205.0	199.5	316.5	431.9
Sept.	238.6	258.4	104.9	138.9	206.9	199.5	303.0	400.5
Oct.	233.1	257.1	104.9	139.6	210.3	202.7	285.2	361.9
Nov.	235.4	254.6	104.9	152.5	210.3	202.7	291.3	378.9
Dec.	237.4	260.6	104.9	152.9	212.5	202.7	299.5	392.2

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded								
	Meats, Fresh	Beef and Veal Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Products	Butter	Oils and Fats	
1951 Average	423.1	521.2	223.1	262.0	235.8	246.5	199.6	217.0
1951 Oct.	421.9	526.5	238.5	222.9	235.3	245.8	198.1	243.2
Nov.	413.2	519.7	226.7	210.8	240.9	252.6	165.9	229.1
Dec.	420.2	528.6	190.9	228.9	244.8	257.2	149.4	176.2
1952 Jan.	416.4	527.6	194.2	216.9	247.1	260.6	140.0	153.2
Feb.	374.8	468.2	179.6	204.8	246.3	258.8	115.0	151.0
Mar.	378.4	473.4	182.1	210.8	244.1	255.8	100.0	146.5
Apr.	357.4	439.6	174.3	186.7	234.9	245.0	93.3	141.2
May	345.3	421.4	163.9	198.8	224.9	223.8	91.2	139.9
June	353.3	431.1	169.8	192.8	223.0	221.2	105.6	161.0
July	353.8	432.1	170.9	186.7	223.4	221.0	100.2	188.8
Aug.	340.7	412.5	166.4	186.7	224.2	222.0	90.6	193.1
Sept.	319.3	385.3	167.4	177.7	225.5	225.8	94.5	194.5
Oct.	291.5	342.3	162.8	180.7	230.5	235.9	101.7	211.0
Nov.	295.2	348.0	165.2	195.8	232.9	240.3	104.3	193.9
Dec.	297.0	347.2	173.4	195.8	233.3	241.0	102.8	161.8

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39=100)

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS -

Date	Total	Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	Raw Cotton	Cotton Yarn	Cotton Fabrics	Cotton Knit Goods	Miscel- laneous Fibre Products	Silk and Nylon	Rayon Fabrics
1951 Average	295.9	377.9	299.4	269.6	252.0	361.3	160.1	203.2	
1951 Oct. ...	269.0	327.1	289.1	257.2	249.0	373.4	163.3	199.4	
Nov. ...	270.6	362.1	289.1	257.2	249.0	372.5	163.3	210.1	
Dec. ...	268.8	367.3	289.1	257.2	249.0	372.5	169.5	210.1	
1952 Jan. ...	266.4	354.7	289.1	257.2	252.1	368.1	169.5	210.1	
Feb. ...	260.4	344.7	289.1	257.2	252.1	359.2	169.5	210.1	
Mar. ...	255.7	344.3	285.6	257.2	245.8	335.1	169.5	193.0	
Apr. ...	253.9	340.4	285.6	257.2	245.8	335.1	169.5	182.2	
May ...	251.8	327.5	285.6	256.2	236.8	305.5	169.5	177.3	
June ...	252.8	340.7	285.6	256.2	236.8	307.4	169.5	177.3	
July ...	252.6	334.3	285.6	256.2	236.8	307.4	169.5	177.3	
Aug. ...	248.9	335.9	280.6	250.3	236.8	295.9	169.5	177.3	
Sept. ...	246.6	320.6	280.6	250.3	236.8	295.9	169.5	177.3	
Oct. ...	245.6	301.8	269.7	251.0	236.8	301.7	169.5	177.3	
Nov. ...	244.8	292.3	269.7	250.1	235.8	301.7	169.5	177.3	
Dec. ...	241.4	279.4	267.3	250.5	235.8	259.2	169.5	177.3	

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Rayon Yarns	Raw Wool Do- mestic	Raw Wool Im- ported	Yarns, Worsted	Hosiery and Knit Goods, Chiefly Wool	Wool Blan- kets	Wool Cloth	Carpets
1951 Average	190.5	485.8	395.8	309.0	279.0	345.7	364.5	256.7
1951 Oct. ...	195.8	310.0	285.8	233.7	286.0	318.8	280.0	238.0
Nov. ...	195.8	313.2	256.3	214.7	286.0	318.8	283.7	238.0
Dec. ...	195.8	304.5	250.9	199.6	271.3	318.8	283.5	238.0
1952 Jan. ...	195.8	295.2	239.3	198.7	271.2	293.8	285.4	238.0
Feb. ...	176.9	277.7	225.9	199.3	271.2	268.8	264.2	226.1
Mar. ...	176.9	271.6	190.4	186.8	271.2	268.8	258.2	226.1
Apr. ...	176.9	214.2	173.8	183.6	271.2	268.8	255.9	226.1
May ...	176.9	237.3	210.8	196.1	267.9	268.8	255.9	226.1
June ...	176.9	250.8	214.4	203.8	266.3	252.5	255.9	226.1
July ...	176.9	260.3	230.0	203.2	266.3	252.5	255.9	225.1
Aug. ...	176.9	252.9	228.3	203.2	255.4	252.5	251.9	225.1
Sept. ...	176.9	237.3	209.2	197.1	255.4	252.5	251.9	224.9
Oct. ...	176.9	233.0	219.1	201.3	255.4	252.5	252.4	224.9
Nov. ...	176.9	242.3	221.2	201.3	255.4	252.5	253.2	224.9
Dec. ...	176.9	242.3	229.3	201.3	255.4	252.5	253.9	224.9

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39=100)

- WOOD, WOOD PRODUCTS AND PAPER -

Date	Total Wood Products	Lumber and Timber	Spruce	Hard-woods	Hem-lock	Fir	Cedar	Wood-pulp	News-print	Wrap-ping Paper No. 1 Kraft
1951 Average	295.5	457.3	389.7	373.4	400.6	571.2	490.0	249.7	267.6	208.1
1951 Oct.	301.7	456.1	392.4	387.6	415.3	576.8	448.8	255.0	279.9	215.9
Nov.	299.0	449.5	390.7	387.6	409.6	570.0	426.5	253.2	277.8	215.9
Dec.	295.2	445.4	390.7	387.6	409.6	570.0	399.9	248.2	272.6	215.9
1952 Jan.	294.6	451.1	422.9	370.1	409.6	570.0	395.7	244.0	268.8	215.9
Feb.	294.1	452.8	421.3	370.1	409.6	570.0	408.4	242.6	267.2	215.9
Mar.	291.9	448.3	421.3	370.1	409.6	559.6	402.7	239.9	265.3	215.9
Apr.	287.1	441.9	421.3	370.1	409.6	545.3	393.2	236.7	262.4	215.9
May	286.2	439.1	427.8	344.2	409.6	531.0	386.8	237.5	261.6	215.9
June	295.9	438.8	428.0	344.2	409.6	531.0	384.3	235.7	285.3	215.9
July	293.5	439.8	428.0	344.2	409.6	531.0	391.0	221.6	283.1	215.9
Aug.	292.3	441.7	428.0	344.2	409.6	531.0	403.1	218.6	280.2	215.9
Sept.	292.2	441.4	428.0	344.2	409.6	531.0	401.7	218.4	280.0	215.9
Oct.	290.8	435.6	404.1	344.2	403.9	531.0	403.1	212.6	281.9	215.9
Nov.	293.4	436.1	404.1	344.2	403.9	531.0	406.4	215.6	286.2	215.9
Dec.	291.2	433.3	404.1	344.2	403.9	531.0	388.2	213.3	283.3	215.9

- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -

Total Iron Products	Pig Iron	Rolling Mill Products	Pipe and Tubing	Hard-ware	Wire	Scrap Iron and Steel	Tin Plate and Galvanized Sheet	
1951 Average	208.7	245.2	192.3	236.4	209.0	227.4	304.2	205.7
1951 Oct.	215.7	255.6	200.4	246.0	217.2	234.9	317.0	208.7
Nov.	216.8	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.2	234.9	317.0	210.2
Dec.	216.8	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.2	234.9	317.0	210.2
1952 Jan.	218.6	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	317.0	220.5
Feb.	218.1	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	318.2	220.5
Mar.	218.2	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	318.2	220.5
Apr.	218.7	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	318.2	224.4
May	218.3	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	318.2	224.4
June	218.2	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	315.9	224.4
July	218.2	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	315.9	224.4
Aug.	218.2	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	315.9	224.4
Sept.	218.2	255.6	202.2	246.0	217.9	234.9	315.9	224.4
Oct.	221.1	260.1	209.1	246.0	217.9	238.3	315.9	224.4
Nov.	221.2	260.1	209.2	237.6	222.1	243.5	315.9	224.4
Dec.	221.4	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	243.5	315.9	224.4

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39=100)

Date	- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)
	Total	Copper	Lead		Zinc		Solder		
	Non-Ferrous Metals	Antimony	and Its Products	and Its Products	Silver	Tin	Its Products		
(1)									
1951 Average	180.6	401.3	261.6	381.5	243.0	270.9	429.6	293.8	222.4
1951 Oct.	184.8	392.5	273.7	392.6	239.3	244.8	443.0	258.0	229.7
Nov.	185.7	371.8	271.9	406.5	237.2	242.2	459.7	258.0	231.2
Dec.	183.8	371.8	268.1	406.5	233.1	223.3	459.7	258.0	230.4
1952 Jan.	180.9	371.8	263.2	406.5	228.4	231.9	459.7	242.7	230.0
Feb.	179.7	351.1	262.0	396.2	227.4	237.0	449.4	258.6	228.9
Mar.	179.1	320.2	260.8	395.7	226.4	234.5	449.0	258.6	228.7
Apr.	176.0	309.8	257.1	389.3	223.0	227.4	442.3	242.0	227.2
May	173.1	261.6	257.7	325.3	217.1	227.0	443.1	240.4	224.6
June	171.5	234.1	270.1	313.6	209.3	225.9	366.1	240.4	223.4
July	172.5	216.9	278.6	325.3	214.2	225.5	344.5	240.4	224.6
Aug.	170.2	216.9	278.6	321.6	207.0	219.0	325.4	229.3	223.2
Sept.	170.0	206.6	278.6	321.2	206.2	222.4	322.9	229.3	223.0
Oct.	168.1	206.6	278.4	286.4	207.5	222.3	308.5	229.3	223.1
Nov.	167.6	196.2	278.4	272.6	210.1	227.0	295.4	224.5	222.4
Dec.	167.7	196.2	278.4	283.4	208.5	225.4	293.9	234.1	222.8

Date	- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -							Window Glass
	Total	Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Manufactured Gas	
	Non-Metallic Products							
(1)								
1951 Average	169.8	190.1	146.8	172.4	207.1	222.2	120.2	194.0
1951 Oct.	171.0	195.3	146.8	172.7	213.7	224.1	120.5	197.8
Nov.	171.0	195.3	146.8	172.7	213.7	224.1	120.5	197.8
Dec.	171.6	195.3	146.8	173.6	213.7	224.1	120.5	197.8
1952 Jan.	173.8	195.3	146.8	175.2	213.7	224.1	120.5	197.8
Feb.	174.2	195.3	146.8	176.7	213.7	224.1	120.5	204.6
Mar.	174.4	204.7	146.8	176.7	213.7	227.3	120.5	204.6
Apr.	174.3	208.7	146.8	176.8	213.7	227.3	120.5	204.6
May	174.4	210.0	146.8	175.9	213.7	227.3	138.5	204.6
June	173.8	210.0	146.8	173.7	213.7	227.3	138.5	204.6
July	173.9	210.0	146.8	174.6	213.7	227.3	138.5	193.8
Aug.	173.5	210.0	146.8	174.8	213.7	227.3	138.5	193.8
Sept.	173.7	210.0	146.8	175.3	213.7	227.3	138.5	193.8
Oct.	173.4	210.0	146.8	176.2	213.7	227.3	138.5	193.8
Nov.	173.5	210.0	146.8	176.2	213.7	227.3	138.5	193.8
Dec.	174.9	210.0	146.8	180.7	213.7	227.3	138.5	210.4

(1) Includes Gold.

(2) Excludes Gold.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39=100)

Date	NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued							
	Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gasoline	Coal Oil	Asphalt	Asphalt Shingles	Salt	Sulphur
1951 Average	162.5	164.6	140.2	125.0	178.8	147.4	263.5	179.9
1951 Oct.	170.7	166.3	141.3	123.8	180.3	150.4	282.4	182.2
Nov.	170.7	166.2	141.3	131.3	180.3	150.4	282.4	180.8
Dec.	170.7	166.2	141.3	131.3	180.3	150.4	282.4	176.9
1952 Jan.	170.7	166.2	141.3	131.3	180.3	150.4	282.4	174.3
Feb.	170.7	165.9	141.3	131.3	182.5	150.4	282.4	173.2
Mar.	170.7	165.0	141.3	131.3	182.5	150.4	282.4	172.0
Apr.	170.7	164.9	141.3	131.3	182.5	150.4	282.4	169.9
May	170.7	162.5	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	177.3
June	170.7	162.5	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	176.1
July	170.7	162.4	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	174.5
Aug.	170.7	160.8	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	172.7
Sept.	170.7	160.8	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	172.6
Oct.	170.7	159.4	134.9	126.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	173.7
Nov.	170.7	159.4	134.9	126.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	176.7
Dec.	170.7	159.4	134.9	126.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	174.9

	NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded						
	Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Building Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1951 Average	124.7	182.0	141.7	137.6	150.6	183.9	234.0
1951 Oct.	125.4	184.7	146.8	134.1	144.4	184.7	234.5
Nov.	125.4	185.0	146.8	134.1	144.4	184.7	234.5
Dec.	125.4	185.0	146.8	143.1	152.6	184.7	234.5
1952 Jan.	125.4	185.0	151.5	145.3	155.1	184.7	267.0
Feb.	125.4	189.9	152.8	145.3	155.1	188.4	267.0
Mar.	126.2	189.9	152.8	145.3	155.1	188.4	267.0
Apr.	126.7	191.7	152.8	141.2	153.3	188.4	267.1
May	126.7	191.7	152.8	141.2	155.7	188.4	267.1
June	126.7	191.7	152.8	141.2	155.7	188.4	267.1
July	126.7	191.7	153.1	141.2	155.7	188.4	267.1
Aug.	126.7	191.7	156.2	141.2	155.7	188.4	267.1
Sept.	126.7	191.7	157.5	141.2	155.7	188.4	267.1
Oct.	126.7	189.9	157.5	141.2	155.7	188.4	267.1
Nov.	126.7	189.9	157.5	141.2	155.7	200.7	267.1
Dec.	126.7	189.9	157.5	145.7	160.7	200.7	267.1

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Concluded
(1935-39=100)

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS -

Date	Total Chemical Products	Inorganic Chemicals	Organic Chemicals	Coal Tar Products	Dyeing Materials	Tanning Materials
1951 Average	187.3	130.4	263.7	182.7	202.1	219.9
1951 Oct.	190.3	134.4	264.8	187.5	202.1	251.1
Nov.	187.7	134.3	264.8	187.5	202.1	251.1
Dec.	188.0	134.3	261.9	187.5	202.1	250.9
1952 Jan.	188.8	136.0	261.9	187.5	202.1	250.9
Feb.	187.3	137.7	236.1	187.5	202.1	248.5
Mar.	184.7	137.6	202.9	187.5	202.1	248.5
Apr.	181.8	137.0	202.9	187.5	202.1	248.5
May	180.8	136.7	202.5	187.5	202.1	248.5
June	177.9	136.7	200.7	187.5	172.3	248.5
July	177.2	136.6	200.7	187.5	172.3	248.5
Aug.	177.0	136.6	200.3	187.5	172.3	248.5
Sept.	177.2	136.6	200.3	187.5	172.3	248.5
Oct.	175.9	136.9	195.9	187.5	172.3	248.5
Nov.	176.4	136.8	203.6	187.5	172.3	288.8
Dec.	176.1	136.8	203.6	187.5	172.3	288.8

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Ex-plosives	Paint Prepared	Drugs and Pharma-ceuticals	Fertil-izer Materials	Indus-trial Gases	Soap
1951 Average	134.5	182.2	201.2	163.1	125.0	215.8
1951 Oct.	134.5	184.2	207.9	168.4	124.5	210.5
Nov.	134.5	184.2	207.9	168.4	124.0	191.1
Dec.	134.5	184.2	207.2	173.7	124.3	191.1
1952 Jan.	134.5	184.2	207.2	178.5	124.3	191.1
Feb.	142.0	184.2	207.2	178.5	125.4	191.1
Mar.	139.5	184.2	207.2	178.5	126.0	191.1
Apr.	139.5	189.1	186.5	178.5	126.9	191.1
May	139.5	189.1	186.5	178.5	128.5	191.1
June	139.5	189.1	185.2	174.0	127.3	191.1
July	139.5	189.1	181.8	174.0	125.9	191.1
Aug.	139.5	189.1	181.3	174.0	129.0	191.1
Sept.	139.5	189.1	181.8	174.0	131.2	191.1
Oct.	139.5	189.1	177.5	174.0	129.0	191.1
Nov.	139.5	189.1	177.5	174.0	127.7	191.1
Dec.	139.5	189.1	175.8	174.0	125.7	191.1

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS
(1935-1939=100)

- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -

Date	Com- posite Index	Cement, Sand and Gravel	Brick, Tile and Stone	Lumber and Its ducts	Lath, Plaster and Insu- lation	Roof- ing Matte- rial	Paint and Glass	Plumb- ing Equip- ment and Heat- ing Equip- ment	Elec- trical Equip- ment and Fix- tures	Other Mater- ials
1926	109.6	105.5	103.2	110.9	101.4	104.3	156.8	110.2	91.6	112.0
1929	112.4	107.6	107.4	116.7	94.4	108.8	151.5	108.5	130.1	106.1
1932	87.5	103.7	101.8	72.7	85.0	95.5	111.7	108.1	79.1	89.5
1939	102.3	94.0	97.2	104.9	99.4	104.1	97.2	103.0	102.4	104.6
1940	110.3	94.6	98.0	119.1	99.7	110.4	115.2	106.5	107.1	109.2
1941	122.6	99.1	105.1	139.2	102.8	118.7	136.2	114.6	109.0	112.5
1942	130.9	100.8	109.0	153.2	104.8	123.4	146.9	120.0	110.3	117.6
1943	139.1	101.2	113.1	171.3	104.8	130.1	149.4	120.0	110.3	117.9
1944	146.6	101.8	114.9	188.4	104.8	136.0	146.6	120.0	110.3	117.9
1945	148.3	102.1	116.4	191.3	104.8	135.5	142.2	122.2	111.4	118.0
1946	154.5	102.0	121.0	202.1	104.2	146.2	144.2	127.2	116.9	126.4
1947	180.4	109.7	133.4	242.0	107.3	172.3	169.6	145.2	147.4	143.0
1948	217.5	122.3	143.1	305.8	116.7	201.6	183.1	168.3	169.8	162.3
1949	228.0	127.0	151.0	322.1	118.1	190.5	179.6	180.2	173.4	174.7
1950	242.7	131.3	163.8	349.2	116.7	235.4	174.8	183.2	184.5	181.1
1951	286.2	140.9	180.7	425.0	126.3	235.8	197.8	210.4	213.3	212.7
1951 Apr. ..	287.6	139.4	181.8	428.5	126.6	257.1	198.3	208.8	207.3	208.5
May ..	289.5	140.8	181.8	432.9	126.6	248.0	198.3	209.0	210.1	209.2
June ..	289.2	139.9	181.8	431.2	126.7	225.8	199.6	212.9	220.8	209.2
July ..	289.8	139.9	181.8	431.2	126.7	222.8	198.8	214.2	221.5	218.1
Aug. ..	290.4	143.5	181.9	431.2	126.7	225.8	199.6	215.7	220.2	218.1
Sept. ..	290.8	143.0	181.9	431.2	126.7	225.8	199.6	217.4	220.2	219.8
Oct. ..	290.8	143.1	183.2	431.2	126.7	222.9	199.6	217.4	220.2	219.8
Nov. ..	289.4	143.1	183.2	427.8	126.7	219.9	199.6	217.9	220.2	221.2
Dec. ..	288.8	145.0	183.2	426.7	126.7	213.9	198.3	217.3	220.1	222.1
1952 Jan. ..	287.9	148.3	183.2	424.7	126.7	210.9	197.9	216.9	218.8	222.1
Feb. ..	287.9	148.9	183.2	423.6	126.7	223.0	200.5	216.9	215.9	222.1
Mar. ..	286.8	148.9	192.5	420.9	126.7	220.0	199.7	216.6	211.6	222.1
Apr. ..	285.2	148.1	192.5	416.4	129.1	216.9	198.5	216.9	208.4	227.4
May ..	284.4	148.1	198.8	414.6	129.1	213.9	193.7	216.2	208.4	227.4
June ..	284.0	148.1	198.8	414.6	129.1	210.9	194.2	215.1	206.6	227.4
July ..	284.3	148.3	198.8	414.3	129.1	216.9	192.4	215.2	212.9	227.4
Aug. ..	284.6	150.3	198.8	414.3	129.1	223.0	192.4	215.2	212.6	227.4
Sept. ..	284.6	151.1	198.8	414.3	129.1	220.0	192.4	215.2	212.2	227.4
Oct. ..	284.3	151.1	198.8	413.7	129.1	220.0	192.4	215.2	212.2	227.4
Nov. ..	283.9	151.1	199.5	413.6	129.1	220.0	190.2	212.9	212.2	228.8
Dec. ..	283.8	152.2	199.5	413.1	129.1	217.0	195.0	213.1	212.1	228.8

TABLE 7. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES
(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.
		Average 1951			
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern 2/	bu.	1.895	1.846	1.758	1.748
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.965	.999	.929	.839
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.340	1.364	1.394	1.222
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	2.016	2.142	1.832	1.751
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bbl.	11.417	11.600	11.100	11.100
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal	cwt.	9.868	9.928	8.170	8.170
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal ...	gal.	2.116	2.140	1.720	1.720
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75-lb.bag	1.663	3.281	3.000	2.690
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	32.856	34.120	23.250	23.850
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included) ..	cwt.	33.084	28.880	25.600	25.600
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers ..	lb.	.369	.255	.195	.195
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2 ..	lb.	1.105	.850	.740	.720
LEATHER, Box Sides, D, f.o.b. Ontario factory	sq. ft.	.608	.490	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal .	lb.	.650	.680	.632	.630
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.662	.534	.626	.509
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.449	.444	.348	.327
COTTON YARNS, 10's white	lb.	.852	.820	.780	.780
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood	lb.	.954	.600	.470	.470
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Canadian Mill (Southern Quebec)	ton	102.451	104.363	109.596	108.475
PIG IRON, Malleable	gr. ton	54.250	55.500	58.000	58.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic	cwt.	27.664	28.260	29.500	29.500
LEAD, Domestic	cwt.	18.304	19.500	13.060	13.583
TIN INGOTS	lb.	1.450	1.195	1.210	1.201
ZINC, Domestic, Grade "A", Electrolytic	cwt.	19.902	21.350	13.620	13.550
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	20.385	20.720	20.100	21.400
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.225	.226	.217	.217
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb.sq.	8.283	8.450	8.450	8.450
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume	ton	22.417	24.000	24.000	24.000

1/ Complete description and basis of quoting available upon request.

2/ Plus six cents carrying charge effective on domestic sales June 15, 1951,
effective on International Wheat Agreement sales, August 1, 1951.

TABLE 8. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES
(1949 = 100)

		Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House- hold Oper- ation	Other Commod- ities & Services
1950		102.9	102.6	106.2	99.7	102.4	103.1
1951		113.7	117.0	114.4	109.8	113.1	111.5
1952		116.5	116.8	120.2	111.8	116.2	116.0
<u>1949</u>	October 1	100.6	100.8	100.5	99.8	100.6	100.9
	November 1	101.0	101.9	100.5	99.7	100.5	101.0
	December 1	100.5	100.3	101.0	99.7	100.4	101.1
<u>1950</u>	January 2	100.1	98.1	101.1	99.6	100.6	102.0
	February 1	100.2	98.4	101.1	99.5	100.6	102.2
	March 1	100.9	98.8	104.7	98.9	100.8	102.2
	April 1	101.2	99.3	104.9	99.2	101.2	102.2
	May 1	101.2	99.3	105.1	99.1	101.1	102.2
	June 1	101.9	100.9	105.9	99.1	101.5	102.3
	July 3	102.7	102.6	107.4	99.1	101.6	102.4
	August 1	103.3	103.8	107.8	99.3	102.6	102.5
	September 1	104.3	105.4	108.7	99.9	103.4	103.0
	October 2	105.9	107.6	109.0	100.6	104.6	105.2
	November 1	106.4	108.4	109.5	101.0	105.1	105.4
	December 1	106.6	108.4	109.6	101.3	105.5	105.7
<u>1951</u>	January 2	107.7	109.0	110.0	102.6	107.1	107.4
	February 1	109.1	111.0	110.4	105.1	108.6	108.0
	March 1	110.8	114.1	111.5	106.7	110.5	108.3
	April 2	111.7	115.5	111.8	108.5	111.4	108.6
	May 1	112.2	114.3	112.4	109.0	112.7	110.4
	June 1	113.7	115.8	115.2	109.5	113.8	111.8
	July 3	114.6	117.9	115.5	109.7	114.3	112.2
	August 1	115.5	119.0	115.8	110.7	115.1	113.4
	September 1	116.5	120.5	117.2	111.9	115.5	113.6
	October 1	117.1	121.3	117.2	114.1	115.8	114.1
	November 1	117.9	122.5	118.2	114.5	115.9	114.8
	December 1	118.1	122.5	118.2	115.2	116.4	115.0
<u>1952</u>	January 2	118.2	122.4	118.3	114.9	116.4	115.5
	February 1	117.6	120.8	118.3	113.5	116.3	115.8
	March 1	116.9	117.6	119.1	112.9	116.9	116.4
	April 1	116.8	117.2	119.4	112.5	116.8	116.6
	May 1	115.9	115.5	119.6	112.3	116.2	115.6
	June 2	116.0	115.7	120.4	111.8	115.9	115.7
	July 2	116.1	116.0	120.6	111.7	115.9	115.6
	August 1	116.0	115.7	120.6	111.6	115.8	115.8
	September 2	116.1	115.8	121.2	110.9	116.0	115.8
	October 1	116.0	115.1	121.5	109.9	116.2	116.4
	November 1	116.1	115.7	121.4	109.8	115.9	116.6
	December 1	115.8	114.1	122.2	109.7	116.1	116.6

TABLE 9. - COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES
(1935-39 = 100)

	Per- centage Increase Since August 1939	Total ^x	Food	Rent	Fuel and Light- ing	Cloth- ing	Home Furnish- ings and Services	Miscel- laneous Commod- ities	Retail Prices 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	113.8	105.1	114.9
1942	16.1	117.0	127.2	111.3	112.8	120.0	117.9	107.1	122.4
1943	17.5	118.4	130.7	111.5	112.9	120.5	118.0	108.0	124.5
1944	18.0	118.9	131.3	111.9	110.6	121.5	118.4	108.9	125.2
1945	18.6	119.5	133.0	112.1	107.0	122.1	119.0	109.4	126.2
1946	22.6	123.6	140.4	112.7	107.4	126.3	124.5	112.6	132.1
1947	34.4	135.5	159.5	116.7	115.9	143.9	141.6	117.0	148.8
1948	53.8	155.0	195.5	120.7	124.8	174.4	162.6	123.4	177.4
1949	59.5	160.8	203.0	123.0	131.1	183.1	167.6	128.8	184.8
1950	65.2	166.5	210.9	132.9	138.3	182.3	169.2	132.6	190.0
1951	83.1	184.5	241.1	140.0	147.1	203.1	194.4	141.3	214.5
1952	86.0	187.5	237.4	147.4	151.1	209.4	197.8	147.6	215.0
<u>1939</u> Aug. 1	-	100.8	99.3	103.8	99.0	100.1	100.9	101.3	100.0
<u>1941</u> Oct. 1	14.6	115.5	123.2	111.2	112.1	119.6	117.3	106.5	120.1
<u>1945</u> Dec. 1	19.1	120.1	134.3	112.3	107.1	122.5	119.5	109.6	127.0
<u>1946</u> Dec. 2	26.1	127.1	146.4	113.4	109.2	131.2	129.4	114.1	137.2
<u>1951</u> Jan. 2	71.1	172.5	220.2	136.4	141.5	187.1	179.8	135.8	197.3
Feb. 1	73.8	175.2	224.4	136.4	141.7	192.4	185.1	137.0	201.4
Mar. 1	78.3	179.7	233.9	137.6	146.5	196.3	188.6	137.8	207.9
Apr. 2	80.4	181.8	238.4	137.6	146.7	198.8	190.7	138.8	211.2
May 1	80.6	182.0	235.4	137.6	146.2	201.5	194.9	140.7	211.3
June 1	82.6	184.1	239.8	139.8	146.2	202.5	197.1	141.0	214.0
July 3	86.1	187.6	249.7	139.8	147.2	202.9	197.4	142.2	219.6
Aug. 1	87.4	188.9	251.4	139.8	148.2	204.6	199.0	143.7	221.1
Sept. 1	88.3	189.8	251.1	142.7	149.5	206.9	199.1	144.0	221.6
Oct. 1	88.9	190.4	249.7	142.7	150.2	213.8	200.1	144.3	222.4
Nov. 1	89.7	191.2	250.2	144.8	150.8	214.6	199.9	144.9	223.0
Dec. 1	89.6	191.1	249.3	144.8	150.8	215.5	200.6	144.9	222.7
<u>1952</u> Jan. 2	90.0	191.5	250.0	144.8	151.2	215.3	201.1	145.7	223.1
Feb. 1	89.3	190.8	248.1	144.8	151.3	213.0	200.1	146.5	221.6
Mar. 1	87.6	189.1	241.7	146.3	152.5	211.2	200.8	146.9	218.3
Apr. 1	87.2	188.7	240.2	146.3	152.5	210.4	200.5	147.9	217.5
May 1	85.2	186.7	235.3	146.3	150.6	210.1	198.2	147.4	214.0
June 2	85.8	187.3	237.0	147.9	149.8	209.3	197.2	147.4	214.5
July 2	86.5	188.0	239.5	147.9	149.8	209.1	196.7	147.4	215.7
Aug. 1	86.1	187.6	238.0	147.9	150.1	208.6	196.0	147.8	214.8
Sept. 2	85.0	186.5	234.2	148.9	150.3	207.7	195.8	147.8	212.7
Oct. 1	83.5	185.0	229.3	148.9	150.9	206.7	195.9	148.5	210.1
Nov. 1	83.3	184.8	229.0	148.9	151.1	205.5	195.5	148.8	209.7
Dec. 1	82.7	184.2	226.1	149.9	152.7	205.4	195.3	148.8	208.4

^x Additional taxes on tobacco products imposed between June 1942 and December 1947 are not reflected in the above indexes originally designated for Cost-of-Living bonus calculations. The Dec. 1952 index, inclusive of all such taxes, is 185.1.

TABLE 10. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES MAIN GROUPS AND SELECTED COMPONENTS
(1949 = 100)

	1950	1951	1952	Sept. 1952	Oct. 1952	Nov. 1952	Dec. 1952
<u>Total Index</u>	102.9	113.7	116.5	116.1	116.0	116.1	115.8
<u>Food</u>	102.6	117.0	116.8	115.8	115.1	115.7	114.1
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	99.7	108.6	113.3	111.6	111.8	113.0	113.2
Cereal Products	103.4	113.0	117.4	118.2	117.5	117.1	116.9
Meats, Fish and Poultry	106.5	127.9	115.5	111.2	109.9	109.7	110.5
<u>Shelter</u>	106.2	114.4	120.2	121.2	121.5	121.4	122.2
Rent	108.2	114.5	120.9	122.3	122.3	122.3	123.3
Home-Ownership	103.6	114.4	119.3	119.8	120.4	120.3	120.7
<u>Clothing</u>	99.7	109.8	111.8	110.9	109.9	109.8	109.7
Men's Wear	99.2	111.6	115.2	114.3	113.9	113.6	113.4
Women's Wear	99.0	105.6	104.8	103.7	101.8	101.8	101.8
Children's Wear	101.6	108.6	111.5	111.7	110.5	109.7	109.4
Footwear	100.8	116.6	127.2	126.2	126.6	127.3	127.5
Piece Goods	103.0	119.8	107.4	105.5	104.7	104.7	104.7
<u>Household Operation</u>	102.4	113.1	116.2	116.0	116.2	115.9	116.1
Fuel and Lighting	103.8	109.9	113.4	113.3	113.7	113.5	114.4
Home Furnishings	101.5	115.5	117.6	116.7	116.6	116.2	116.1
Furniture	101.6	112.9	115.6	115.7	115.8	115.8	115.9
Utensils and Equipment	101.0	113.2	118.9	119.6	119.7	119.8	119.8
Supplies and Services	102.4	112.7	116.8	117.4	117.8	117.8	117.6
Supplies	100.3	112.2	112.4	112.4	113.3	113.4	113.0
Services	103.8	113.0	119.7	120.8	120.8	120.8	120.7
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	103.1	111.5	116.0	115.8	116.4	116.6	116.6
Transportation	105.4	113.0	117.4	116.8	118.7	118.7	118.7
Automobile Operation	103.8	112.9	114.9	114.0	114.0	113.9	113.9
Recreation	102.0	109.7	115.7	116.0	116.2	117.1	117.3
Health Care	102.2	110.3	118.8	119.8	119.9	119.9	119.9
Drugs	101.5	107.4	107.9	108.1	108.3	108.3	108.3
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	102.7	111.5	113.3	112.4	112.4	112.4	112.4
Personal Care	100.9	112.5	115.5	115.2	115.1	115.6	115.6
Personal Supplies	99.1	110.6	112.7	112.0	111.8	111.8	111.8

TABLE 11. - PRICE RELATIVES FOR SPECIFIED FOODS INCLUDED IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(1949 = 100)

	Beef, Blade Roast	Beef, Sir- loin	Pork, Loin	Bacon	Salmon, Canned	Chicken	Butter	Marg- arine
<u>1950</u>		118.8	117.6	99.3	94.1	101.4	96.3	93.4
<u>1951</u>		151.3	143.5	114.8	95.4	106.3	113.3	104.9
<u>1952</u>		133.5	132.7	99.0	78.4	107.4	100.8	102.4
<u>1951</u> Dec. 1		158.4	149.9	101.8	93.6	111.5	104.6	108.9
<u>1952</u> Jan. 2		160.6	151.6	104.6	91.0	111.5	105.1	110.4
Feb. 1		158.0	149.5	98.4	88.4	111.5	104.8	112.0
Sept. 2		126.3	134.1	99.8	73.1	105.4	97.6	96.4
Oct. 1		119.7	123.1	102.3	73.9	100.6	97.1	97.8
Nov. 1		114.8	114.6	102.3	76.7	98.6	97.3	102.5
Dec. 1		114.1	116.2	102.0	77.4	97.0	98.5	103.1

	Short- ening, Veg- etable	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Tom- atoes, Fresh	Carrots
<u>1950</u>		96.3	91.8	98.1	113.0	99.3	95.4	102.3
<u>1951</u>		112.4	116.5	105.5	109.6	107.2	99.9	105.7
<u>1952</u>		92.3	96.0	104.4	105.3	116.9	196.9	103.2
<u>1951</u> Dec. 1		106.4	120.4	106.0	106.2	113.8	158.8	117.9
<u>1952</u> Jan. 2		103.4	93.7	106.0	109.5	114.9	173.5	136.7
Feb. 1		101.3	83.8	106.5	111.4	114.9	179.2	105.8
Sept. 2		88.0	112.5	103.1	97.2	118.3	190.6	51.8
Oct. 1		87.7	114.8	102.6	105.1	119.5	157.3	56.0
Nov. 1		87.7	123.2	101.6	110.8	119.5	160.5	98.4
Dec. 1		87.4	97.5	100.1	111.0	119.5	155.3	105.7

	Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Gran- ulated	Jam	Tea	Coffee
<u>1950</u>		102.9	99.1	104.6	104.8	114.4	104.4	101.6
<u>1951</u>		110.0	111.1	115.5	106.9	129.8	114.0	104.2
<u>1952</u>		118.4	115.9	119.3	105.9	121.0	110.6	104.9
<u>1951</u> Dec. 1		116.8	115.1	119.7	107.6	133.0	115.8	105.1
<u>1952</u> Jan. 2		118.0	116.4	119.7	107.6	133.0	114.9	105.1
Feb. 1		118.0	118.1	119.7	107.6	132.0	114.9	105.3
Sept. 2		118.5	115.1	119.7	104.7	114.9	107.8	104.7
Oct. 1		118.5	114.4	118.7	104.7	112.7	106.9	104.5
Nov. 1		118.5	113.7	117.7	104.7	112.7	106.5	104.3
Dec. 1		118.5	115.1	117.7	104.7	112.7	105.6	103.9

TABLE 12. - CITY COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES

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N.B. - Indexes below measure percentage changes in prices but should not be used to compare actual levels of prices as between cities.

	St. John's Nfl'd(1)	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- atoon	Edmon- ton	Van- couver
	October, 1938 = 100		August 1939 = 100						
1940	-	106.1	105.2	106.8	104.0	104.1	105.8	104.0	103.7
1941	-	110.2	110.6	113.0	109.9	109.1	112.0	108.2	109.1
1942	140.3	114.5	116.0	118.4	115.6	113.7	116.7	112.7	114.2
1943	149.1	117.0	117.7	120.4	116.5	115.0	118.1	115.3	117.3
1944	160.7	118.3	118.8	120.7	117.1	115.7	119.4	116.3	117.9
1945	160.4	119.3	119.4	122.0	117.7	116.8	120.2	117.5	119.2
1946	163.1	122.5	122.7	126.0	121.8	120.4	124.4	121.3	123.0
1947	172.0	132.7	133.3	138.1	133.7	130.9	137.1	131.9	134.9
1948	184.4	148.9	152.7	158.3	151.7	148.8	157.4	149.9	155.6
1949	177.2	153.8	157.5	163.9	156.4	155.3	162.5	156.0	162.0
1950	173.7	157.0	162.8	170.0	162.8	161.2	166.1	162.1	167.8
1951	-	172.4	179.6	190.3	180.4	178.0	181.4	177.1	185.2
1952	(2)103.5	177.3	184.9	192.7	183.8	180.3	183.3	179.0	190.3
<u>1951</u> Apr. 2	184.9	169.2	176.9	186.3	178.3	175.6	178.9	174.7	182.6
May 1	185.0	169.4	177.4	187.2	178.6	175.7	179.0	175.3	182.9
June 1	185.4	171.5	179.3	190.4	179.9	177.4	180.3	176.4	185.3
July 3	(2)101.3	176.3	182.5	195.3	183.5	181.8	184.4	179.6	188.8
Aug. 1	102.8	177.9	184.2	194.8	184.5	182.4	186.0	181.7	189.8
Sept. 1	102.7	177.5	184.2	196.0	185.4	182.2	186.2	181.5	190.2
Oct. 1	103.0	178.2	185.1	196.4	185.8	183.1	187.0	181.9	190.0
Nov. 1	103.2	179.4	185.6	197.4	186.5	183.0	187.5	182.3	192.0
Dec. 1	103.5	179.3	186.1	197.3	186.0	183.3	187.2	183.6	192.8
<u>1952</u> Jan. 2	103.9	179.3	188.0	198.1	187.1	183.7	187.0	183.4	193.6
Feb. 1	103.7	178.2	187.5	197.1	186.0	183.4	187.1	183.2	192.5
Mar. 1	104.0	177.8	187.0	195.4	184.4	182.0	185.6	181.2	192.2
Apr. 1	103.8	177.8	186.8	193.8	184.8	181.9	183.7	180.0	192.3
May 1	103.1	177.4	184.2	191.0	182.9	180.5	181.0	177.8	190.6
June 2	102.7	179.2	185.6	192.5	184.4	180.6	180.9	177.5	190.6
July 2	103.9	179.6	186.4	193.4	184.4	181.0	183.0	178.5	189.8
Aug. 1	105.3	179.0	186.1	191.7	184.2	180.0	183.9	179.1	189.5
Sept. 2	103.6	176.7	183.9	191.7	183.3	179.0	182.7	177.7	189.0
Oct. 1	103.0	174.0	181.6	189.8	181.8	177.5	181.5	177.0	187.3
Nov. 1	102.5	174.7	181.4	189.6	181.4	177.2	182.1	176.7	187.6
Dec. 1	102.3	173.5	180.4	188.8	180.8	176.3	180.9	176.2	188.1

- (1) St. John's index as published by the Department of Supply, Newfoundland - the series covered approximately the same range of commodities and rents as the indexes of other Canadian cities, but had a less complete coverage of service rates. Differences in construction methods were fairly considerable.
- (2) New D.B.S. index for St. John's - June 1951 = 100. For explanation of methods see D.B.S. Reference Paper No. 28.

TABLE 12. - CITY COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES - Continued
(August 1939=100)

	St. John's Nfld	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon	Edmon- ton	Van- couver	
<u>Food Index</u>										
<u>1951</u>	Nov. 1	(2)105.0	243.5	240.0	267.0	238.6	249.4	252.8	252.9	255.5
	Dec. 1	105.7	243.0	241.2	266.5	235.8	249.6	251.5	257.5	257.7
<u>1952</u>	Jan. 2	106.1	242.1	241.7	268.8	239.1	248.7	249.8	254.2	259.2
	Feb. 1	105.0	239.1	240.3	265.8	236.6	249.3	250.6	254.0	255.6
	Mar. 1	104.3	234.1	237.8	259.6	229.6	243.7	244.2	248.2	252.5
	Apr. 1	103.8	234.4	237.8	255.1	228.7	242.4	238.4	244.1	252.7
	May 1	103.2	231.4	231.7	248.3	223.1	239.4	233.1	238.1	244.7
	June 2	102.2	236.8	235.6	252.8	227.5	239.8	233.0	237.0	244.2
	July 2	105.8	238.3	238.0	255.4	228.2	241.4	239.9	240.8	242.0
	Aug. 1	109.6	237.1	237.2	250.5	227.5	236.7	241.6	242.7	240.8
	Sept. 2	104.5	229.0	231.0	250.4	222.8	233.3	236.4	237.8	239.6
	Oct. 1	103.0	220.3	224.4	243.1	217.8	229.6	233.2	235.8	234.5
	Nov. 1	101.7	222.6	223.9	243.2	217.1	229.3	235.5	234.3	235.5
	Dec. 1	101.4	218.3	220.6	239.8	214.0	225.3	231.0	232.0	237.0
<u>Rent Index</u>										
<u>1951</u>	Nov. 1	(2)101.2	124.9	126.1	147.4	149.6	132.9	132.3	124.0	131.9
	Dec. 1	101.2	124.9	126.1	147.4	149.6	132.9	132.3	124.0	131.9
<u>1952</u>	Jan. 2	101.2	124.9	126.1	147.4	149.6	132.9	132.3	124.0	131.9
	Feb. 1	101.2	124.9	126.1	147.4	149.6	132.9	132.3	124.0	131.9
	Mar. 1	105.2	126.1	126.1	148.7	152.4	133.6	132.3	124.2	134.0
	Apr. 1	105.2	126.1	126.1	148.7	152.4	133.6	132.3	124.2	134.0
	May 1	105.2	126.1	126.1	148.7	152.4	133.6	132.3	124.2	134.0
	June 2	105.3	127.6	127.7	150.8	154.4	134.0	132.3	125.0	135.4
	July 2	105.3	127.6	127.7	150.8	154.4	134.0	132.3	125.0	135.4
	Aug. 1	105.3	127.6	127.7	150.8	154.4	134.0	132.3	125.0	135.4
	Sept. 2	106.6	127.7	127.8	151.3	157.3	134.8	132.3	125.3	135.6
	Oct. 1	106.6	127.7	127.8	151.3	157.3	134.8	132.3	125.3	135.6
	Nov. 1	106.6	127.7	127.8	151.3	157.3	134.8	132.3	125.3	135.6
	Dec. 1	106.6	127.7	128.2	151.7	158.8	136.2	133.3	125.9	136.2
<u>Fuel and Light- ing Index</u>										
<u>1951</u>	Nov. 1	(2)105.0	144.5	139.1	145.2	172.5	125.8	148.3	120.9	167.2
	Dec. 1	105.7	144.5	139.5	145.0	172.5	125.8	148.3	120.9	169.2
<u>1952</u>	Jan. 2	107.0	144.5	139.8	145.0	172.5	128.2	151.7	121.8	169.2
	Feb. 1	107.0	144.5	140.9	145.0	172.5	128.2	151.7	121.8	170.8
	Mar. 1	107.0	152.5	146.9	145.0	172.5	131.1	158.6	121.8	176.9
	Apr. 1	107.4	152.5	146.9	145.0	172.5	131.1	158.6	121.8	176.9
	May 1	107.6	152.5	146.6	142.7	176.0	131.1	151.7	121.8	176.9
	June 2	107.6	152.5	146.6	141.0	176.0	131.1	151.7	121.8	176.9
	July 2	107.6	152.5	146.4	141.1	176.0	131.1	151.7	121.8	176.9
	Aug. 1	107.6	152.5	148.0	141.1	176.0	133.3	154.8	121.8	176.9
	Sept. 2	107.6	152.5	146.9	141.3	175.8	133.3	158.6	121.8	176.9
	Oct. 1	107.6	152.5	146.9	142.8	176.4	133.3	158.6	121.8	176.9
	Nov. 1	107.3	152.5	147.3	143.0	176.4	133.3	158.6	121.8	176.9
	Dec. 1	107.3	152.5	147.3	146.5	176.4	133.3	158.6	121.8	176.9

(2) See Page 21, Footnote (2).

TABLE 12. - CITY COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES - Concluded
(August 1939=100)

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	St. John's Nfl'd	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon	Edmon- ton	Van- couver	
<u>Clothing Index</u>										
<u>1951</u>	Nov. 1	(2)105.2	228.1	236.2	201.2	214.0	211.6	222.9	224.1	226.7
	Dec. 1	105.7	229.3	236.7	201.7	215.9	211.8	223.5	224.5	227.2
<u>1952</u>	Jan. 2	105.7	229.6	236.7	201.4	215.8	211.8	223.5	224.6	227.7
	Feb. 1	105.4	227.8	234.5	199.7	213.0	208.8	222.1	223.2	226.5
	Mar. 1	105.1	225.2	232.5	198.0	211.1	208.6	220.1	220.8	224.8
	Apr. 1	104.2	224.0	231.3	197.0	211.0	208.7	218.7	220.0	222.9
	May 1	103.8	224.1	231.4	197.0	210.1	208.7	218.7	219.3	223.0
	June 2	103.5	223.6	230.5	196.3	208.9	208.3	217.7	218.4	222.2
	July 2	103.2	223.6	230.5	196.3	208.9	208.3	217.7	217.7	220.8
	Aug. 1	103.1	223.3	230.3	196.2	208.0	207.3	218.3	217.6	220.7
	Sept. 2	103.0	223.5	230.4	195.4	207.1	206.8	218.3	216.9	219.6
	Oct. 1	102.7	221.9	228.7	194.8	206.3	203.2	217.5	215.7	218.4
	Nov. 1	102.4	220.3	227.2	193.5	205.1	201.6	216.2	215.1	218.4
	Dec. 1	102.1	220.0	226.7	193.4	205.0	201.7	216.2	215.2	218.1
<u>Homefurnishings and Services Index</u>										
<u>1951</u>	Nov. 1	(2)101.4	184.4	194.1	205.6	194.3	200.7	206.6	194.3	193.1
	Dec. 1	101.2	184.1	193.9	206.1	195.3	203.7	207.2	193.9	192.9
<u>1952</u>	Jan. 2	101.4	184.1	194.0	206.4	195.3	204.7	207.7	194.1	194.6
	Feb. 1	103.0	183.4	193.8	204.6	194.8	201.7	207.0	194.4	194.4
	Mar. 1	103.0	184.1	194.0	206.6	195.3	202.0	207.1	192.8	195.6
	Apr. 1	102.9	183.5	193.5	206.3	194.7	202.0	206.2	192.8	196.1
	May 1	102.5	190.1	189.8	204.7	192.3	198.3	202.9	190.3	194.5
	June 2	101.8	189.7	188.9	203.0	191.3	198.1	203.2	190.2	194.2
	July 2	101.8	189.7	189.0	202.8	190.3	197.4	203.2	189.7	194.2
	Aug. 1	101.8	187.1	186.8	201.8	189.3	197.2	203.2	189.7	194.2
	Sept. 2	101.7	186.4	185.7	202.0	188.8	197.1	203.6	189.5	194.4
	Oct. 1	101.5	186.4	185.7	202.4	188.9	197.8	202.7	190.1	194.0
	Nov. 1	101.4	186.6	185.9	201.5	188.8	197.0	202.5	189.6	193.9
	Dec. 1	101.2	187.7	185.9	201.1	188.4	198.2	202.9	189.5	193.7
<u>Miscellaneous Index</u>										
<u>1951</u>	Nov. 1	(2)100.7	135.7	144.5	140.1	143.9	137.8	133.8	137.8	146.8
	Dec. 1	100.6	135.7	144.5	140.0	143.9	137.8	133.8	137.7	146.7
<u>1952</u>	Jan. 2	101.2	136.8	152.0	140.0	144.7	139.5	134.0	140.2	147.5
	Feb. 1	101.2	136.8	152.6	142.0	144.8	139.5	134.2	140.2	147.7
	Mar. 1	101.5	138.6	152.8	142.5	144.9	139.7	134.6	140.4	147.9
	Apr. 1	101.9	138.8	152.7	142.5	147.5	140.6	134.9	140.8	148.5
	May 1	100.2	138.4	151.4	141.5	147.0	139.8	134.0	140.1	152.7
	June 2	100.2	138.4	151.4	141.5	147.0	139.8	134.0	139.9	152.7
	July 2	100.2	138.3	151.4	141.5	146.9	139.7	133.9	139.9	152.7
	Aug. 1	100.3	138.5	151.5	141.6	147.6	141.1	134.4	140.2	153.0
	Sept. 2	100.3	138.5	151.5	141.6	147.6	141.0	134.3	140.3	153.0
	Oct. 1	100.3	138.5	151.4	144.0	147.6	141.2	134.3	140.3	153.0
	Nov. 1	100.2	139.6	152.1	144.2	147.4	141.1	134.3	141.4	153.0
	Dec. 1	100.2	139.6	152.1	144.2	147.4	141.0	134.3	141.4	153.0

(2) See Page 21, Footnote (2).

TABLE 13. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY
FARMERS AND FARM FAMILY LIVING COSTS
(1935-39=100)

	Composite Index Exclusive of Living Costs (a)	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates	Farm Wages	Farm Family Living Costs	Composite Index Inclusive of Living Costs (a)
ALL CANADA						
1926	130.6	119.9	135.5	164.5	121.1	126.8
1939	99.3	95.7	101.1	110.3	99.5	99.4
1949 - August	206.5	180.2	138.7	388.1	174.5	193.7
1950 - April	213.0	191.0	144.3	380.1	176.7	198.5
August	218.6	194.3	144.3	401.2	180.7	203.4
1951 - January	218.4	201.0	151.8	365.9	184.1	204.7
April	233.9	209.4	151.8	426.5	197.1	219.2
August	237.8	207.5	151.8	457.3	214.7	228.6
1952 - January	236.6	218.1	151.8	410.3	215.8	228.3
April	243.2	216.9	151.8	454.2	209.6	229.8
August	243.4	212.5	151.8	471.9	204.1	227.7
EASTERN CANADA						
1926	129.5	122.8	128.4	151.1	120.2	125.8
1939	98.7	94.8	99.2	110.6	99.5	99.0
1949 - August	210.2	183.0	126.1	376.4	172.6	195.2
1950 - April	216.4	194.5	131.2	367.3	174.4	199.6
August	220.4	196.1	131.2	382.3	178.3	203.6
1951 - January	225.1	200.5	142.0	382.0	181.7	207.7
April	237.3	210.2	142.0	413.7	195.1	220.4
August	241.4	208.0	142.0	441.5	212.8	230.0
1952 - January	245.9	219.1	142.0	430.0	213.9	233.1
April	245.9	218.2	142.0	432.8	207.9	230.7
August	244.8	211.7	142.0	447.4	202.7	228.0
WESTERN CANADA						
1926	131.8	117.1	141.6	183.5	121.9	127.8
1939	99.8	96.6	102.7	109.9	99.5	99.7
1949 - August	202.7	177.5	149.4	404.7	176.3	192.1
1950 - April	209.6	187.7	155.4	398.4	178.9	197.3
August	216.8	192.5	155.4	428.0	183.1	203.3
1951 - January	211.8	201.4	160.2	342.9	186.4	201.6
April	230.5	208.6	160.2	444.8	199.1	217.9
August	234.3	207.0	160.2	479.7	216.6	227.2
1952 - January	227.4	217.3	160.2	382.4	217.8	223.6
April	240.5	215.7	160.2	484.6	211.2	228.8
August	242.0	213.2	160.2	506.8	205.5	227.4

(a) 1952 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES
(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX									
	Inves-	Total	Machin-	Pulp	Tex-	Food	Bever-	Build-		
	tors'	Indus-	ery	and	and	tiles	and	ages	ing	
Total	Indus-	trials	Equip-	Paper	Mill-	Cloth-	Pro-		Mate-	
(105)	(82)	(11)	ment	ing	Oils	ing	ducts	(10)	(14)	(16)
1939	91.6	91.2	100.9	81.7	100.6	83.6	95.0	109.6	98.1	98.3
1940	77.4	74.2	88.9	90.7	94.2	62.2	121.8	103.3	100.8	90.6
1941	67.5	63.9	75.6	68.8	70.6	50.0	105.4	91.0	95.9	78.3
1942	64.2	60.4	76.5	62.9	47.1	47.1	104.0	77.7	97.8	74.5
1943	83.5	78.6	103.9	92.6	90.5	73.8	121.4	89.5	131.0	89.1
1944	83.8	78.8	112.8	125.0	99.3	73.1	124.8	97.5	153.3	92.7
1945	99.6	93.7	134.5	167.3	113.3	78.7	148.7	110.3	222.2	116.0
1946	115.7	108.6	183.8	255.5	132.4	73.9	193.9	129.1	363.9	149.6
1947	106.0	99.3	182.6	258.4	120.3	65.9	182.4	125.8	302.3	137.4
1948	112.5	107.2	220.1	264.0	107.4	74.0	207.5	114.0	308.5	135.7
1949	109.4	103.1	215.4	242.9	89.9	72.0	208.1	115.7	299.9	143.4
1950	131.6	127.6	295.5	362.2	87.9	94.2	264.1	122.0	389.0	185.8
1951	168.3	172.0	420.7	561.2	112.8	140.6	358.0	118.9	434.1	272.5
1952	173.1	176.6	428.3	515.2	131.0	155.1	277.2	108.6	365.7	283.6
<u>1939</u> Aug.	85.8	84.8	86.8	55.3	89.6	74.2	89.1	112.4	93.8	87.4
<u>1945</u> Dec.	112.5	105.8	155.1	226.6	127.5	81.5	173.8	116.7	305.3	138.5
<u>1946</u> Dec.	106.4	99.3	180.2	250.0	123.9	63.6	181.8	123.3	317.1	138.4
1951 Jan.	153.8	154.8	401.9	481.6	104.7	110.1	359.3	125.6	442.4	244.8
Feb.	166.5	168.0	422.2	531.6	110.5	126.9	399.6	127.8	463.4	259.7
Mar.	162.9	165.0	411.1	513.3	107.1	133.6	383.0	124.4	441.2	251.6
Apr.	165.6	169.1	415.8	568.3	106.1	138.2	369.0	123.4	445.4	260.9
May	164.2	168.3	406.4	579.2	104.7	138.9	363.0	121.0	436.3	264.2
June	160.7	164.4	396.4	562.2	104.1	134.1	359.8	117.9	425.6	257.6
July	162.0	165.8	405.0	568.1	111.3	135.1	355.5	115.2	421.8	264.6
Aug.	169.7	174.5	419.2	588.5	117.7	145.3	366.6	118.4	419.9	277.8
Sept. ...	179.8	185.4	445.4	609.8	124.0	156.6	371.6	119.7	436.5	308.8
Oct.	183.3	189.5	462.5	595.5	122.6	162.6	346.3	114.2	445.9	305.8
Nov.	174.0	178.8	431.7	562.3	121.9	150.8	314.1	110.9	425.2	284.7
Dec.	177.3	180.6	430.4	573.6	119.3	154.7	308.2	108.5	405.9	290.0
<u>1952</u> Jan.	181.7	186.7	452.0	582.8	118.5	161.0	301.2	111.8	396.5	295.3
Feb.	179.5	185.2	450.3	563.7	120.4	159.8	285.7	111.8	371.8	293.3
Mar.	177.6	182.6	443.3	546.1	120.9	162.8	277.1	110.4	371.7	286.4
Apr.	175.8	180.5	417.6	510.8	120.1	172.7	261.2	107.8	352.0	274.0
May	169.0	172.4	414.9	488.9	117.8	160.9	258.9	102.5	343.3	264.5
June	171.6	174.8	420.2	506.5	121.6	157.4	268.2	101.5	357.9	268.4
July	174.9	178.6	422.5	518.4	135.5	158.7	272.7	104.6	367.5	281.4
Aug.	176.0	179.8	441.8	519.9	152.3	153.4	297.2	107.5	375.6	299.4
Sept. ...	171.6	174.3	434.7	499.1	145.4	146.6	286.8	109.7	363.8	290.7
Oct.	163.6	164.9	407.5	471.9	143.4	138.1	271.9	110.2	350.4	277.5
Nov.	167.3	169.2	416.1	480.4	143.7	143.3	276.3	112.4	370.4	284.8
Dec.	168.4	169.9	419.1	494.3	132.9	146.5	269.3	112.5	367.1	287.6
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Dec. 4	166.7	168.3	418.3	488.2	133.2	143.4	272.5	113.3	373.4	283.9
Dec. 11	166.5	167.7	417.3	497.3	133.7	143.3	270.7	113.1	364.7	285.3
Dec. 18	167.0	168.1	418.8	493.3	133.7	145.4	266.0	110.6	362.3	287.8
Dec. 24	169.9	171.3	421.5	497.7	133.0	149.6	265.6	112.3	365.8	289.0
Dec. 31	171.9	174.2	419.6	495.1	131.1	150.8	271.5	113.0	369.2	291.9

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES - Concluded
(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX						MINING INDEX (1)		
	Indus- trial Mines	Total Utili- ties	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Traction	Banks	Mining Total	Golds	Base Metals
	(2)	(15)	(2)	(2)	(11)	(8)	(30)	(25)	(5)
1939	98.9	86.1	56.0	109.3	88.9	102.5	104.5	95.6	121.7
1940	77.1	80.9	62.5	101.0	80.6	95.6	81.2	73.7	95.6
1941	69.5	70.7	61.4	96.4	65.8	90.5	72.4	65.1	87.0
1942	66.5	70.4	65.7	89.2	66.1	81.2	52.3	40.8	75.1
1943	74.8	101.3	112.8	97.2	99.1	80.5	70.1	61.4	86.8
1944	69.2	100.8	125.2	100.1	93.3	82.0	81.3	74.1	94.2
1945	86.9	120.2	178.2	108.8	105.5	95.7	95.2	91.0	101.1
1946	98.0	132.5	203.5	125.2	114.0	130.0	97.8	87.6	116.1
1947	90.0	117.3	147.9	117.1	109.1	130.8	86.7	76.0	106.1
1948	100.5	120.2	180.6	108.3	104.7	129.3	82.0	65.0	115.8
1949	92.1	117.4	161.6	105.9	109.2	134.4	87.4	71.7	117.9
1950	98.3	132.5	208.8	103.5	123.7	147.4	89.9	67.4	134.9
1951	126.0	162.3	325.6	101.4	142.5	144.6	99.2	69.8	166.4
1952	139.7	168.3	378.6	94.6	139.8	148.4	103.6	73.9	171.5
<u>1939</u> Aug. ..	95.4	81.1	39.6	110.7	85.5	103.0	105.6	95.8	124.2
<u>1945</u> Dec. ..	99.0	135.9	221.2	117.5	114.7	107.5	108.2	104.0	113.8
<u>1946</u> Dec. ..	92.1	118.3	148.7	118.9	110.3	133.5	83.7	70.9	107.6
<u>1951</u> Jan. ..	118.1	148.6	266.5	102.5	135.8	155.6	97.6	68.8	163.5
Feb. ..	125.6	163.2	315.2	104.6	146.0	158.5	104.7	74.3	174.5
Mar. ..	117.1	158.9	301.8	104.0	142.4	150.0	100.3	71.2	166.7
Apr. ..	118.3	159.7	304.7	102.9	143.9	144.1	96.7	66.8	165.3
May ..	117.2	156.0	296.4	102.0	139.8	141.7	92.5	63.7	158.6
June ..	117.0	153.0	290.7	101.2	136.0	141.1	90.6	63.7	152.3
July ..	118.1	155.4	299.6	101.2	137.7	140.0	92.7	65.5	155.0
Aug. ..	127.1	162.6	328.8	100.5	142.1	137.2	97.7	69.7	161.7
Sept. ..	135.4	172.3	368.8	100.8	147.6	140.2	104.0	73.7	173.6
Oct. ..	141.0	174.0	378.4	99.2	149.1	141.5	107.5	75.3	181.2
Nov. ..	136.6	167.2	354.4	99.2	143.4	141.0	102.4	71.9	172.3
Dec. ..	140.2	177.0	402.1	99.0	146.0	144.2	103.4	73.2	172.4
<u>1952</u> Jan. ..	148.1	175.0	388.0	98.6	147.9	146.5	104.2	72.0	177.7
Feb. ..	151.3	169.5	375.7	97.3	141.2	143.8	102.6	71.2	174.6
Mar. ..	143.2	170.4	390.2	93.8	140.8	143.6	102.7	73.4	169.6
Apr. ..	137.8	170.4	404.1	90.3	138.2	140.1	102.8	77.0	162.1
May ..	131.5	166.2	390.6	90.6	133.6	141.2	101.4	75.1	161.6
June ..	138.7	168.1	388.6	91.7	138.4	146.6	102.0	75.5	162.6
July ..	143.9	169.3	389.1	92.1	140.7	149.5	107.0	76.6	176.6
Aug. ..	145.0	169.9	382.4	94.7	142.1	152.4	110.2	77.6	184.9
Sept. ..	141.2	166.5	367.4	95.0	139.6	155.2	106.6	74.4	180.2
Oct. ..	132.2	162.1	346.8	94.8	138.1	153.7	99.1	69.5	166.9
Nov. ..	133.2	165.1	356.1	97.8	137.6	152.9	100.8	71.1	168.8
Dec. ..	130.3	167.4	363.9	98.4	139.1	155.4	103.4	73.2	172.5
<u>Weekly Index</u>									
Dec. 4	128.7	165.7	355.7	99.0	137.8	153.1	102.8	73.8	169.2
Dec. 11	127.2	166.2	360.0	99.5	136.3	155.3	103.0	72.8	172.3
Dec. 18	127.0	167.3	368.5	96.4	139.3	155.4	102.0	72.0	170.7
Dec. 24	130.4	169.8	375.9	97.4	141.0	155.6	103.2	72.8	172.7
Dec. 31	138.3	168.0	359.6	99.5	141.2	157.8	106.0	74.6	177.8

(1) Mining stocks are not included in Investors' Total Index.

TABLE 15. - INDEX NUMBERS OF PREFERRED STOCK PRICES
(1935-39 = 100)

	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
Jan.	131.8	152.1	157.5	144.5	144.7	152.4	166.0	161.4
Feb.	132.1	154.1	158.5	141.0	144.0	153.0	169.3	160.6
Mar.	130.9	154.5	156.0	138.9	142.8	153.7	166.0	159.5
Apr.	130.3	157.8	153.1	144.2	140.9	154.4	165.2	157.2
May	132.4	159.7	154.3	147.0	139.9	157.3	164.3	157.2
June	137.2	161.6	155.8	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7
July	138.0	157.5	155.4	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8
Aug.	137.8	157.9	153.5	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6
Sept.	139.4	151.4	153.6	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4
Oct.	142.5	153.6	152.0	143.7	145.8	161.1	164.2	161.2
Nov.	145.0	154.7	150.2	144.6	150.0	161.1	162.8	160.3
Dec.	146.6	156.0	148.1	144.6	150.7	160.2	159.5	160.7
Year	137.0	155.9	154.0	144.6	143.0	156.7	164.5	160.1

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF UNITED STATES STOCK PRICES

Source: Standard and Poor's
(1935-39 = 100)

	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
Jan.	108.4	144.8	125.2	120.1	121.0	135.1	168.6	186.9
Feb.	113.0	143.3	128.7	114.2	117.2	136.7	174.7	183.2
Mar.	111.8	141.3	123.7	116.4	118.0	138.8	170.3	185.3
Apr.	114.4	151.6	119.3	124.6	118.5	141.8	172.3	183.7
May	118.2	154.3	115.2	130.2	117.7	146.9	173.9	183.7
June	120.7	153.2	119.1	135.1	112.0	147.7	171.7	187.6
July	118.4	149.6	126.0	131.9	117.8	138.2	172.8	192.1
Aug.	117.9	146.4	124.5	127.1	121.6	147.2	181.5	191.1
Sept.	126.1	125.4	123.1	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2
Oct.	132.0	122.3	125.1	127.8	127.3	157.8	185.0	183.4
Nov.	136.9	120.6	123.6	120.4	129.1	156.1	177.7	189.8
Dec.	139.7	125.5	122.4	119.4	132.7	158.4	182.5	
Year	121.5	139.9	123.0	124.4	121.4	146.4	176.5	

TABLE 17. - INDEX NUMBERS OF GOVERNMENT OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELDS
(1935-39 = 100)

	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
Jan.	96.7	90.0	84.9	92.1	95.4	90.1	97.9	113.4
Feb.	96.6	85.9	84.7	92.1	95.2	90.3	97.7	113.9
Mar.	96.3	83.8	84.6	96.7	94.7	90.2	104.6	115.1
Apr.	96.0	84.3	84.8	96.5	94.4	90.7	104.9	115.3
May	96.0	85.1	84.6	95.3	94.4	90.2	104.9	112.6
June	95.6	84.9	84.3	95.4	94.4	90.2	105.3	114.0
July	94.6	85.1	83.8	95.6	93.8	91.0	104.7	117.3
Aug.	94.4	85.0	83.9	96.2	92.7	90.5	104.9	119.1
Sept.	94.6	84.9	84.0	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6
Oct.	94.4	85.0	84.2	96.3	89.1	92.0	105.7	118.6
Nov.	93.9	85.0	84.4	95.7	89.2	93.9	107.8	117.8
Dec.	92.2	85.0	84.8	95.5	90.3	96.7	112.0	118.0
Year	95.1	85.3	84.4	95.3	93.0	91.3	104.6	116.2

TABLE 18. - EXCHANGE RATES
(Canadian Dollars)

Nominal quotations based on rates available in London or New York and converted into Canadian terms at the market rate for sterling or United States dollars at noon.

Source: Bank of Canada

Unit		1949	1950	1951	1952		
		Average	Average	Average	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
United States	dollar	1.0288	1.0872	1.0528	0.9643	0.9766	0.9706
United Kingdom	pound	3.7569	3.0441	2.9469	2.6936	2.7352	2.7240
Argentina	peso (free)	.1868	.1068	.0749	.0694	.0703	.0699
Australia	pound	3.0055	2.4353	2.3576	2.1549	2.1881	2.1792
Belgian and Belgian Empire	franc	.0226	.0217	.0210	.0193	.0195	.0194
Brazil	cruseiro	.0560	.0591	.0571	.0521	.0528	.0525
Chile	peso (export)	.0332	.0187	.0152	.0076	.0079	.0080
Denmark	krone	.1943	.1575	.1525	.1396	.1414	.1405
Egypt	pound	3.8529	3.1219	3.0232	2.7689	2.8044	2.7872
France and North Africa	franc	.0037	.0031	.0030	.0028	.0028	.0028
Hong Kong	dollar	.2348	.1899	.1829	.1684	.1710	.1703
India	rupee	.2818	.2283	.2211	.2025	.2051	.2043
Italy	lira	.0018	.0018	.0017	.0015	.0016	.0016
Mexico	peso	.1296	.1258	.1218	.1115	.1129	.1122
Netherlands	florin	.3520	.2861	.2770	.2537	.2570	.2554
New Zealand	pound	3.7491	3.0440	2.9469	2.6936	2.7352	2.7240
Norway	krone	.1878	.1522	.1474	.1350	.1367	.1359
Portugal	escudo	.0397	.0380	.0365	.0336	.0340	.0338
Singapore	dollar	.4383	.3551	.3440	.3143	.3191	.3178
Sweden	krona	.2594	.2101	.2035	.1864	.1888	.1876
Switzerland	franc	.2398	.2517	.2429	.2250	.2279	.2265
Turkey	lira	.3571	.3866	.3753	.3444	.3488	.3466
Union of South Africa	pound	3.7569	3.0440	2.9469	2.6936	2.7352	2.7240
Venezuela	bolivar	.3072	.3250	.3143	.2878	.2915	.2898

TABLE 19. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COST-OF-LIVING AND WHOLESALE PRICES
IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

Country	Base Period	1939	1951	1952					
				July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	182.9	232.7(f)			252.4			
Canada	1949(a)	63.2	113.7	116.1	116.0	116.1	116.0	116.1	115.8
Denmark	1935	109	210	220			220		
France (Paris)	1949(a)		130.1	142.8	144.8	145.7	144.9	144.4	145.4
India (Bombay)	1933 - 1934	106	330	330	340				
Italy (Rome)	1938	105(d)	4,794	4,947	4,993	5,027			
Malaya	January 1949(h)		136	137	135	135			
Mexico	1939	100.0	401.0	464.8					
Netherlands	1949(a)	102	120	120	119	120	120	119	
New Zealand	1st qtr. 1949(a)	74.8	118.3			128.4			
Norway	1949(a)	63.8	121.9	135.0	134.9	136.2	136.1	136.1	
South Africa	1938	99.9	171.0	184.4	185.3	190.3	191.1	191.4	
Sweden	1935	107.5	207.5	224.8	225.2	224.9			
Switzerland	August, 1939(a)		166.7	170.9	171.3	171.6	171.1	171.2	
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952(e)	124.5(b)	103.8	103.2	103.0	103.9	103.8		
United States	1935 - 1939(e)	99.4	185.6	190.8	191.1	190.8	190.9	191.1	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	101.1	299(f)	327	325	321			
Canada	1935 - 1939(a)	99.3	240.2	225.5	223.9	222.1	221.0	221.9	221.2
Denmark	1935	118	373	359	357	353	355	354	
France	1949(a)		138.3	143.5	143.7	142.6	140.6	140.3	140.6
India	July, 1914	108	541	401					
Italy	1938		5,581	5,200	5,234(c)	5,262(c)			
Mexico	1929	127.0	476.1						
Netherlands	1948(a)		143	136	137	138	138		
New Zealand	1926 - 1930	107.1	231.5						
Norway	1938	102	258.4	278.3	277.5	284.2	285.2		
South Africa	1913	101.9	235.6	272.1					
Sweden	1935	115	299	320	319	316	313		
Switzerland	August, 1939(a)		227.2	219.6	220.0	219.5	218.0	217.9	
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	319.5	327.0	324.8	322.5	326.0(c)	324.4	
United States	1926	77.1	180.4	111.8(g)	112.2(g)	111.8(g)	111.14(g)(d)	110.7(g)	

All indexes are from official sources.

(a) New Series.

(b) Indexes on base June 17, 1947 = 100.

(c) Revised.

(d) Annual average June 1928 = 100 converted to 1938 base.

(e) Adjusted series commencing January 1950.

(f) Average from July 1951 to June 1952.

(g) New Series, based on 1947-49 = 100

(h) Source - United Nations Monthly Bulletin of Statistics.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price Series
Appearing in this Bulletin

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

General Wholesale

For an explanation of methods of construction and an historical record please refer to D.B.S. Reference Paper No. 24 - 1951. It is available from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the sum of seventy-five cents.

Canadian Farm Products

The wheat prices used in these indexes are prices currently effective for Manitoba 1, 2 and 3 Northern at Fort William. Participation payments are included and the series revised whenever such figures are announced. Between August 1945 and July 1950 the price included in the index for No. 1 Manitoba Northern was \$1.83 per bushel. For the crop year August 1, 1950 - July 31, 1951 the price included was \$1.85 per bushel. For the crop year August 1, 1951 - July 31, 1952 the price was \$1.83 per bushel. The initial payment for the crop year beginning August 1, 1952 was \$1.40 per bushel.

Commencing August 1, 1949, western oats and barley were brought under control of the Canadian Wheat Board. Prices used for Canadian farm products since that time have been initial payments to farmers. Participation payments are included whenever they are announced. Final payments for the crop year 1951-52 were announced in October, 1952.

RETAIL PRICE INDEXES

Consumer Price Index

Canada's new Consumer Price Index which has been constructed to replace the Cost-of-Living Index was released October 23rd by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The new index marks the fifth in a series of Canadian retail price indexes; it is the most comprehensive retail price index ever constructed for Canada.

While the Consumer Price Index is an entirely new index constructed from post-war expenditure patterns, it serves the same purpose as the Cost-of-Living Index. That is, it measures the average percentage change in retail prices of goods and services bought by a large and representative group of Canadian urban families. The change in title has been made to clarify the fact that the index is a measure of price change and is not affected by changes in standards of living.

In a special report entitled "The Consumer Price Index, January 1949 - August 1952,"* the Bureau published an explanation of the construction of the new index and a record of its movements from January 1949 to August 1952. This report contains detailed information on such aspects of the new index as purpose, family coverage, base period, and details of items included as well as their relative importance. It also gives the formula used in calculating the index, outlines methods of price collection and explains special features of the new index, such as the methods of incorporating seasonal variations in food consumption, and changes in the price element of home-ownership costs.

Nineteen forty-nine has been selected as a reference level or base period for the Consumer Price Index for a variety of reasons. It is the most satisfactory post-war reference year, not only for price index comparisons, but

also for other economic indicators. In addition, prices during 1949 were relatively stable. Dating from the termination of World War II there has been a steady shift of interest from pre-war to post-war comparisons in all fields of economic activity. Conditions have changed greatly since 1935-1939 and concern with things as they existed at that time has steadily declined. These circumstances are similar to those which led to the abandonment of 1900, 1913, and 1926 as base periods.

The new index is based on goods and services reported purchased during the year ending August 31, 1948 by 1,517 families, representing all Canadian families with the following characteristics: (a) living in 27 Canadian cities with over 30,000 population; (b) ranging in size from two adults to two adults with four children; (c) with annual incomes during the survey year ranging from \$1,650 to \$4,050.

To measure the influence of price change on the cost of goods and services purchased by such families, the Consumer Price Index contains 225 items, nearly 40 per cent more than the Cost-of-Living Index. Additional items have been determined by a purely objective approach to the problem of measuring price movements of goods and services purchased by families of the type described above. Thus, no attempt has been made to differentiate between "luxuries" and "necessities". This has led to the inclusion of additional items such as margarine, cake mix, chicken, lettuce, chocolate bars, fur coats, children's clothing, fuel oil, electric iron, lawnmower, household help, phonograph records, and carbonated and alcoholic drinks. Included in the Cost-of-Living Index but not given specific representation in the Consumer Price Index are such items as rice, dried beans, prunes, rayon hosiery, coke, wool flannel, oilcloth, and cigars. These items have been omitted because, on average, families did not report purchasing them in significant amounts.

City Indexes: Indexes for the nine regional cities will continue to be calculated for the next few months on their current bases and weights, viz. August 1939 = 100 for all except St. John's, Newfoundland, which is on the base June 1951 = 100.

Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers

The Index of Commodities and Services used by Farmers is designed to measure the change in retail prices of farm operating costs and farm living costs. It is calculated thrice yearly, viz. - January, April and August and is on the base 1935-39 = 100. For an explanation of methods of construction and an historical record please refer to "Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used By Farmers 1913 to 1948 (Revised 1948)". A special bulletin giving total and group index detail is released subsequent to each pricing date.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES

Price index numbers of industrial, utility, bank and mining common stocks, and preferred stocks are calculated from Montreal and Toronto exchange quotations. The indexes are designed to reflect weekly and monthly changes, of interest to the investor, rather than day-to-day changes of more speculative interest. Individual stock prices are weighted by the number of the shares outstanding in January of each year. The list is reviewed completely in January of each year, when new series are introduced and series of declining importance are discontinued. The Investors' Index of 105 Common Stocks and the Mining Stocks Index are based on the average of the Thursday closing prices. The Preferred Stock Index is a monthly average of daily quotations.

* Available in French under the title "L'Indice des Prix à la Consommation Janvier 1949 - Août 1952". (These reports available for twenty-five cents each)

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