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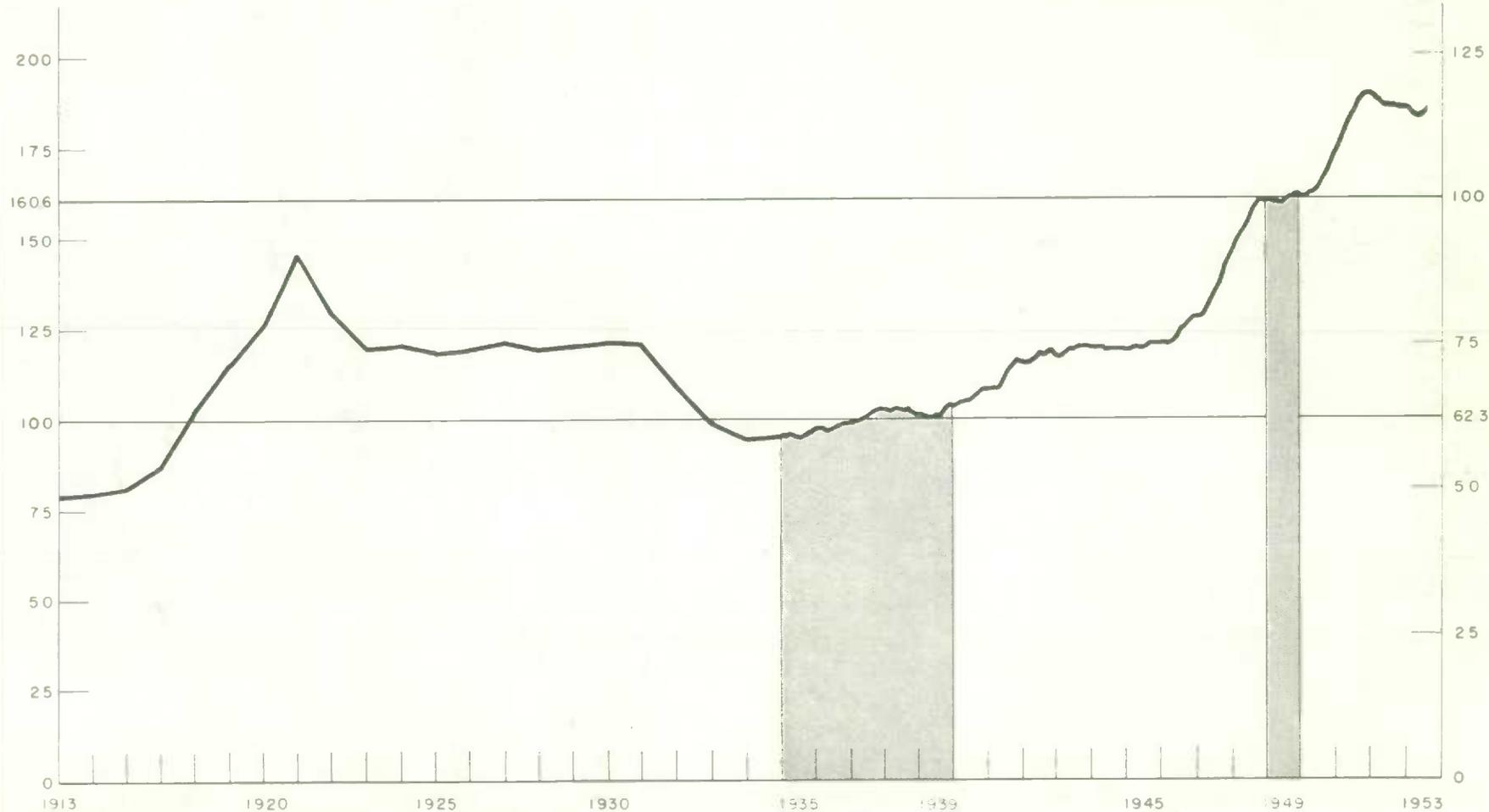
THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX*

ANNUALLY, 1913 - 1934

MONTHLY, 1935 - JULY, 1953

1935 - 39 = 100

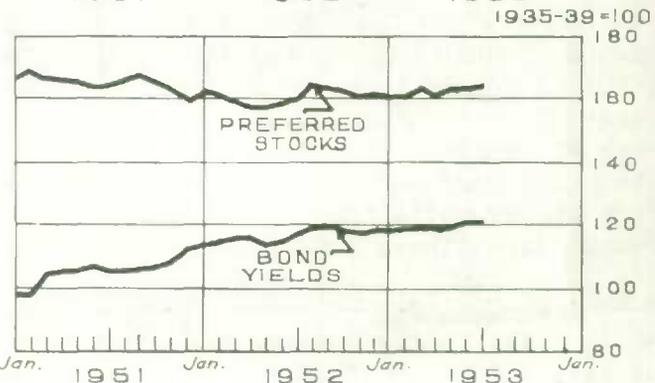
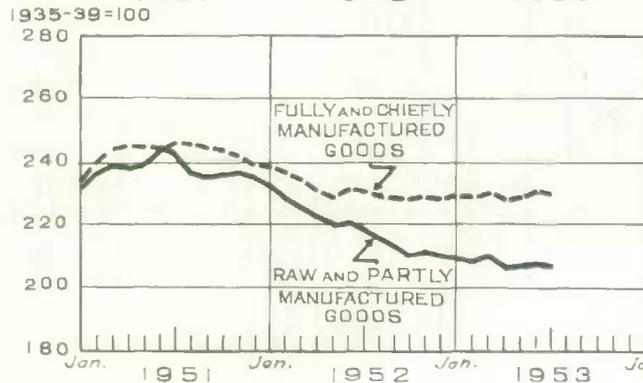
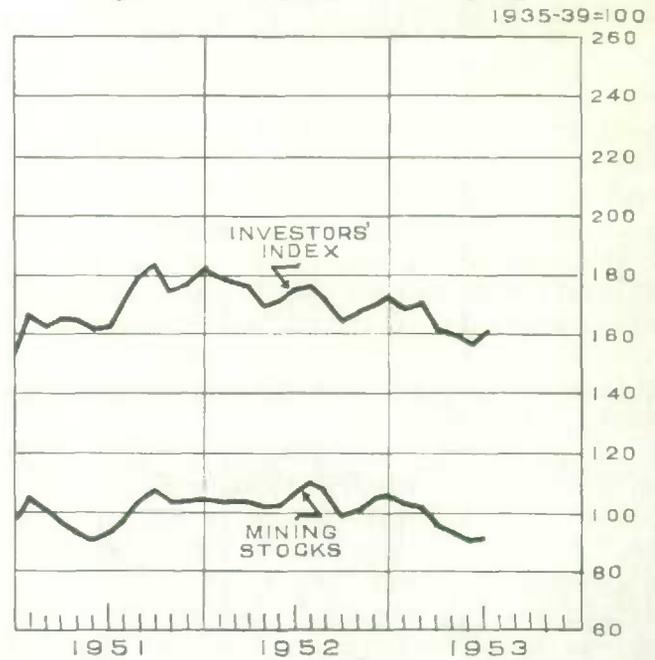
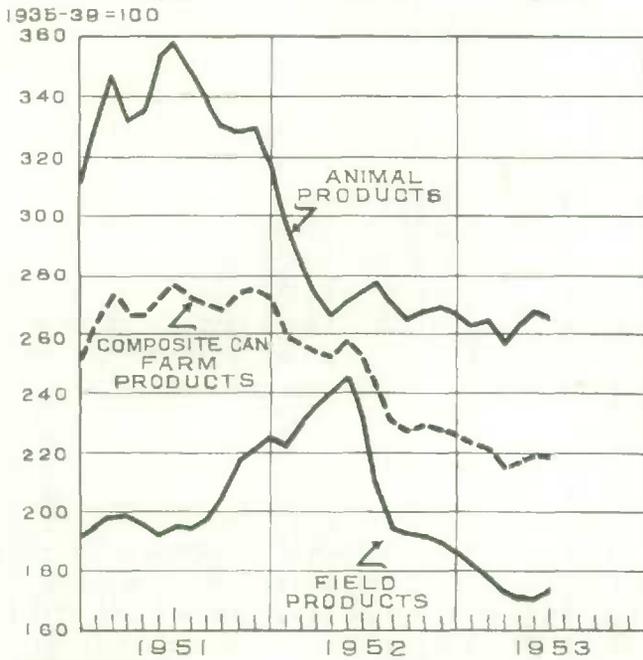
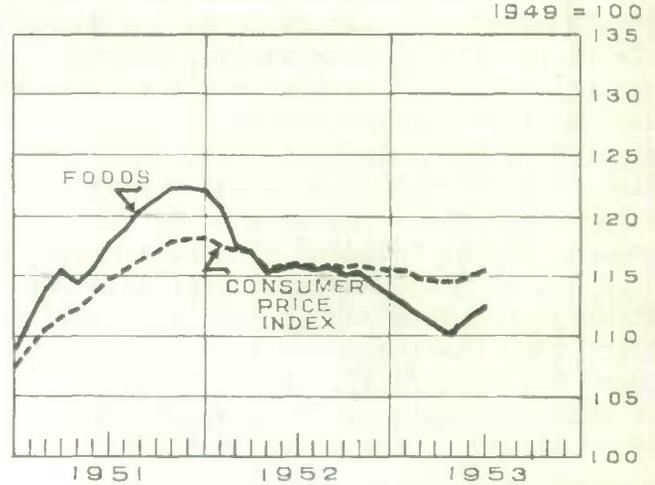
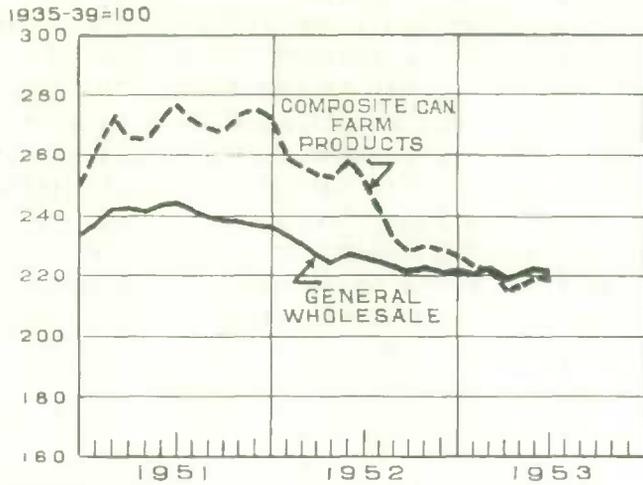
1949 = 100



* 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.

PRICE INDEX GRAPHS

1951 - 1953



THE NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, 1935-1952 (1949 = 100)

A second special purpose price index related to the construction industry titled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index", appears for the first time in "Prices and Price Indexes" in Table 7 of this issue. This index has been constructed specifically to measure the price change of materials used in non-residential building construction. It supplements a price index applicable to materials used in residential construction which has been available for some years. With this issue of "Prices and Price Indexes", it also replaces the General Building Materials Index formerly contained in Table 4. This latter series, however, will be available on request for a limited time, in order that escalator clauses containing this series may be modified. The new index has been constructed on the base 1949 = 100, using weights obtained from data on cost of building materials provided by general and trade contractors for a sample of buildings constructed in Canada during the years 1948-1950. The methods of constructing the index are explained in some detail in D.B.S. Reference Paper No. 43, entitled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index, 1935-1952", which was released on August 21, 1953 and which is available for the sum of 25 cents on request to the Dominion Statistician. This publication also comments on the uses and limitations of the index, and provides the total index by years from 1935 to 1952, and by months for the period January 1949-July 1953. Price indexes for twelve principal component material groups have been calculated only by months from January 1949 to July 1953 and these indexes are also contained in the above mentioned publication.

THE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS PRICE INDEX (1935-39 = 100)

This index, which was first published in 1949, was developed to meet the need for a measurement of the price change of that part of housing costs represented by materials. In addition to the composite index which measures the price change of all materials used in residential construction, price indexes are published for nine component material groups. The weights for individual material items and groups of items within the index were based on the estimated material requirement for a national housing target for the year 1946, and the index was calculated on the base 1935-1939 = 100. However, to facilitate comparisons of its movements with those of the new non-residential series, Table 6 shows it arithmetically converted to the base 1949 = 100. Additional information concerning this index may be found in the special bulletin "Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials, 1926 to 1948", obtainable for 10 cents on request to the Dominion Statistician.

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1949 = 100)

The Consumer Price Index for July 2 of 115.4, stood 0.4 per cent above the June 1 index of 114.9. This latest change was largely due to seasonal increases in eggs and fresh fruits and vegetables, which were the principal factors advancing the food index from 111.4 to 112.7. Among other food items beef was relatively unchanged; fresh pork was lower in price, while cured pork products were higher; fractional increases were recorded for flour and bread, and similar decreases for cheese and butter. An increase in the clothing index from 110.1 to 110.3 was mainly attributable to higher quotations for knitting yarns, overalls and workshirts. The household operation component advanced from 116.6 to 117.0, reflecting increases in coal, gas and household help in a number of centres. The shelter index increased from 123.6 to 123.9, following advances in both the rent and home-ownership sub-groups. In the other commodities and services group, higher quotations for newspaper subscriptions and drugs outweighed a decrease in personal care items, and the index moved from 115.1 to 115.2.

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

The Cost-of-Living Index for July 2nd was 186.0, as compared to 184.8 for June 1st.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-1939 = 100)

Wholesale prices again continued to move within narrow limits as the general index changed from 221.7 in June to 221.2 for July, for a loss of 0.2 per cent. The latest index falls within a range over the past eleven months of 221.9 in September 1952 and 219.6 in April 1953. Of the eight major groups, five averaged lower in July, while two advanced and one remained unchanged. Animal products dropped from 247.5 to 243.5 due to lower quotations for livestock, fresh and cured meats, leather, raw furs, hides and skins, and cheese. These outweighed seasonal strength in eggs as well as advances in fish, poultry, oils and fats, and footwear. Lower prices for hardwoods, fir, cedar shingles, woodpulp and newsprint were reflected in a change in the wood, wood products and paper index from 290.5 to 289.7, while the index for fibres, textiles and textile products declined from 241.7 to 241.2 due to lower prices for binder twine, worsted yarns and woollen cloth. Raw cotton and imported raw wool, however, were slightly higher. Non-ferrous metals moved down from 168.6 to 168.3 when decreases occurred for tin, gold, copper, silver and solder which overbalanced an advance in lead. Weakness in commodities quoted on an export basis, such as newsprint, gold, cedar shingles, etc., reflected a slight easing in July of United States funds in terms of the Canadian dollar. Lower quotations for fertilizer materials outweighed firmness in inorganic chemicals and paint materials to change the total chemical products index from 176.4 to 176.1. Firmer prices for bakery products, notably bread, coupled with increases for coffee, cocoa beans, potatoes, onions and canned fruits, outweighed losses in grains, livestock feeds, milled cereal foods, vegetable oils and natural raw rubber, to advance the vegetable products index from 197.4 to 198.7. In the non-metallics section firmer prices for imported coal and crude oil were sufficient to change the group index from 176.4 to 177.0. The index for iron and its products held unchanged at 220.6. Canadian farm product prices at terminal markets changed narrowly from 219.3 to 219.2, the decline largely reflecting lower quotations for animal products. Lower prices for livestock, butterfat and western milk for cheese manufacture were responsible for a change in animal products from 268.8 to 265.3. Eggs were higher as well as fowl and eastern milk for cheese manufacture. Field products advanced from 169.9 to 173.1 when increases in eastern potatoes outweighed decreases in grains, western potatoes and hay. The residential building materials index declined slightly between June and July from 284.1 to 283.9. Lower quotations were mainly concentrated in lumber descriptions although a slightly easier price tone was noted for the lath, plaster and insulation sub-group, as well as the roofing materials section. The paint and glass series moved up moderately.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES (1935-1939 = 100)

The Investors' Index for July was firmer, standing at 160.7 as compared with 156.8 in June. The range of fluctuation during the month, however, in this series continued to be exceptionally narrow as indicated by the weekly indexes which moved between 160.2 for the 23rd and 161.3 for the week of the 30th. Strength among groups was concentrated mainly in industrials. Pulp and paper issues were considerably higher as also were machinery and equipment, food and allied products, and beverages. Lesser increases were noted for milling stocks, oils, building materials, and industrial mines. Textile and clothing issues moved downward. Utilities were very steady, changes being of a fractional nature, but generally slightly higher. Bank stocks moved up slightly. Mining stock prices showed less change than that noted for industrials and utilities. The composite index for 27 representative issues moved up from 90.2 to 91.4 between June and July. The firmer tone reflected an increase in base metal shares which changed from an index level of 143.7 to 148.9. The gold series, on the other hand, showed a small decline from 66.8 to 66.3.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE MOVEMENTS

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

Note: 1953 Wholesale Price Indexes are subject to revision

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	July	July	June	July	July	July	
	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	243.7	225.4	221.7	221.2	- 9.2	- 1.9	- 0.2
Vegetable Products	216.1	208.6	197.4	198.7	- 8.1	- 4.7	+ 0.7
Animal Products	312.7	247.0	247.5	243.5	- 22.1	- 1.4	- 1.6
Textile Products	293.5	252.6	241.7	241.2	- 17.8	- 4.5	- 0.2
Wood Products	303.7	292.2	290.5	289.7	- 4.6	- 0.9	- 0.3
Iron Products	210.8	218.2	220.6	220.6	+ 4.6	+ 1.1	-
Non-ferrous Metals	184.2	172.5	168.6	168.3	- 8.6	- 2.4	- 0.2
Non-metallic Minerals	169.5	173.4	176.4	177.0	+ 4.4	+ 2.1	+ 0.3
Chemical Products	190.3	177.3	176.4	176.1	- 7.5	- 0.7	- 0.2
<u>FARM PRODUCTS</u>	277.1	253.5	219.3	219.2	- 20.9	- 13.5	- 0.05
Field	195.4	230.2	169.9	173.1	- 11.4	- 24.8	+ 1.9
Animal	358.9	276.8	268.8	265.3	- 26.1	- 4.2	- 1.3

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIES

BETWEEN JUNE AND JULY 1953

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>	
	p.c.	p.c.	
Potatoes, Saint John	43.2	Calves, Winnipeg	17.7
Lard, Montreal	22.6	Beaver, 1 Pt.11 Ex. Large	15.7
Cocoa butter	14.5	Lamb carcass, Winnipeg	15.4
Eggs, Grade A, large, Montreal	13.5	Tin ingots	13.4
Whitefish, Ontario	10.4	Maple lumber, hard	13.2
Shellac	10.3	Cyanamid	12.5
Sulphuric acid	9.8	Pork carcass, Montreal	11.8
Lamb carcass, Toronto	9.7	Gluten feed	11.3
Bread, Vancouver	8.6	Linseed oil	11.1
Aluminum sulphate	8.0	Soyabean oil	10.3
Cocoa beans, Lagos	7.4	Solder	7.7
Salmon, fresh dressed, Vancouver	6.7	Wheat, No. 1 Ont.	7.1
Sodium bicarbonate	6.7	Binder twine	7.0
Bread, Toronto	6.2	Beef hides, light native steers	5.7
Brass valves	6.1	Calf leather	5.6
Coal, U.S. anthracite	5.2		

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	July	July	June	July	July	July	July
	1951	1952	1953	1953	1951	1952	1953
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	114.6	116.1	114.9	115.4	+ 0.7	- 0.6	+ 0.4
Food	117.9	116.0	111.4	112.7	- 4.4	- 2.8	+ 1.2
Shelter	115.5	120.6	123.6	123.9	+ 7.3	+ 2.7	+ 0.2
Clothing	109.7	111.7	110.1	110.3	+ 0.5	- 1.3	+ 0.2
Household Operation	114.3	115.9	116.6	117.0	+ 2.4	+ 0.9	+ 0.3
Other Commodities and Services	112.2	115.6	115.1	115.2	+ 2.7	- 0.3	+ 0.1

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN JUNE AND JULY 1953

	<u>INCREASES</u>		<u>DECREASES</u>	
		<u>p.c.</u>		<u>p.c.</u>
Fresh tomatoes		38.7	Lettuce	32.6
Potatoes		15.6	Pork, loin chops	4.4
Eggs		13.9	Hamburg	2.0
Turnips		13.8	Electrical refrigerator	1.7
Celery		9.5	Blade roast	1.2
Eating apples		8.0	Sanitary napkins	1.2
Oranges		7.0	Cleansing tissues	1.2
Household help		7.0	Waxed paper	1.1
Cabbage		6.0	Chicken	0.9
Knitting yarn		5.8	Veal, front roll	0.9

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	July	July	June	July	July	July	July
	1951	1952	1953	1953	1951	1952	1953
<u>Total Investors' Index</u>	162.0	174.9	156.8	160.7	- 0.8	- 8.1	+ 2.5
<u>Total Industrials</u>	165.8	178.6	155.5	160.5	- 3.2	- 10.1	+ 3.2
Machinery & Equipment	405.0	422.5	378.9	394.9	- 2.5	- 6.5	+ 4.2
Pulp & Paper	568.1	518.4	471.9	494.9	- 12.9	- 4.5	+ 4.9
Milling	111.3	135.5	128.8	129.8	+ 16.6	- 4.2	+ 0.8
Oils	135.1	158.7	127.4	129.3	- 4.3	- 18.5	+ 1.5
Textiles & Clothing	355.5	272.7	217.6	202.7	- 43.0	- 25.7	- 6.8
Foods	115.2	104.6	118.3	124.3	+ 7.9	+ 18.8	+ 5.1
Beverages	421.8	367.5	388.1	408.6	- 3.1	+ 11.2	+ 5.3
Building Materials	264.6	281.4	270.7	278.5	+ 5.3	- 1.0	+ 2.9
Industrial Mines	118.1	143.9	116.5	121.2	+ 2.6	- 15.8	+ 4.0
<u>Total Utilities</u>	155.4	169.3	157.5	157.9	+ 1.6	- 6.7	+ 0.3
Transportation	299.6	389.1	296.0	296.4	- 1.1	- 23.8	+ 0.1
Telephone & Telegraph	101.2	92.1	101.4	101.4	+ 0.2	+ 10.1	0
Power & Traction	137.7	140.7	140.9	141.9	+ 3.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.7
<u>Banks</u>	140.0	149.5	168.4	169.1	+ 20.8	+ 13.1	+ 0.4
<u>Mining Stocks</u>							
General Index	92.7	107.0	90.2	91.4	- 1.4	- 14.6	+ 1.3
Golds	65.5	76.6	66.8	66.3	+ 1.2	- 13.4	- 0.7
Metals	155.0	176.6	143.7	148.9	- 3.9	- 15.7	+ 3.6

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

Date	General Whole- sale Price Index	Raw and Partly Manu- factured	Fully and Chiefly Manu- factured	Indust- rial Mate- rials	Canadian Farm Products (1)		
					Field	Animal	Total
1913	83.4	85.1	86.2	-	-	-	-
1920	203.2	194.7	208.2	-	-	-	-
1926	130.3	129.1	133.0	144.3	158.5	130.2	144.4
1929	124.6	126.1	123.7	132.8	137.2	144.4	140.8
1933	87.4	79.3	93.3	78.3	69.3	69.2	69.3
1938	102.0	99.4	103.5	95.8	100.9	104.8	102.9
1939	99.2	94.9	101.9	99.0	83.7	101.5	92.6
1940	108.0	103.1	109.9	113.3	85.4	106.7	96.1
1941	116.4	114.4	118.8	125.2	88.9	124.4	106.6
1942	123.0	123.0	123.7	135.1	109.7	144.6	127.1
1943	127.9	131.1	126.9	140.0	129.0	161.8	145.4
1944	130.6	134.4	129.1	143.1	144.5	166.1	155.3
1945	132.1	136.2	129.8	143.2	162.5	170.2	166.4
1946	138.9	140.1	138.0	148.6	177.9	181.2	179.5
1947	163.3	164.3	162.4	187.0	184.1	200.2	192.2
1948	193.4	196.3	192.4	222.7	200.6	263.7	232.1
1949	198.3	197.1	199.2	218.0	191.9	265.4	228.7
1950	211.2	212.8	211.0	244.6	191.9	281.4	236.7
1951	240.2	237.9	242.4	296.1	200.4	336.9	268.6
1952	226.0	218.7	230.7	252.6	216.9	277.5	247.2
1952 Apr.	226.8	221.3	230.6	258.4	234.0	273.7	253.8
May	224.6	220.2	227.8	250.7	240.0	265.4	252.7
June	226.3	220.4	230.3	248.3	244.4	271.4	257.9
July	225.4	218.2	229.8	247.8	230.2	276.8	253.5
Aug.	223.7	216.2	228.5	245.4	208.1	277.2	242.7
Sept.	221.9	212.4	227.6	241.7	194.8	269.1	231.9
Oct.	220.2	209.7	227.4	239.7	192.7	263.0	227.8
Nov.	221.5	210.5	228.2	241.2	192.1	266.5	229.3
Dec.	221.1	210.0	227.8	241.2	189.4	268.3	228.8
1953 Jan.	221.5	209.4	229.0	240.2	186.4	266.4	226.4
Feb.	220.9	207.9	228.8	237.9	182.1	263.1	222.6
Mar.	221.9	209.8	229.2	237.0	177.3	264.3	220.8
Apr.	219.6	205.7	227.9	231.9	173.0	256.0	214.5
May	220.1	206.3	228.3	233.2	170.6	263.2	216.9
June	221.7	207.2	230.4	234.0	169.9	268.8	219.3
July	221.2	207.2	229.6	231.7	173.1	265.3	219.2

(1) See Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21 for Canadian Farm Products Indexes, August 1945-July 1952. Indexes for crop year August 1952-July 1953 are subject to revision. Please see note, page 32.

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

		- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -								
Date		General Whole- Sale Index	Total Vege- table Pro- ducts	Grains	Milled Cereal Foods	Live Stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned
1952	Apr.	226.8	214.1	207.8	195.3	262.8	177.0	163.9	191.5	157.7
	May	224.6	212.6	206.1	193.9	251.5	177.0	150.7	192.7	144.5
	June	226.3	212.4	205.9	195.1	240.2	177.0	153.1	170.4	144.5
	July	225.4	208.6	201.2	195.3	221.3	177.0	163.2	170.5	140.2
	Aug.	223.7	206.5	201.7	195.9	228.9	177.0	158.0	170.5	140.2
	Sept.	221.9	204.2	202.5	196.1	228.9	177.0	162.7	170.8	140.2
	Oct.	220.2	201.1	202.4	194.7	221.3	177.0	165.5	174.7	140.2
	Nov.	221.5	204.8	203.8	196.8	218.0	177.0	165.6	174.1	145.1
	Dec.	221.1	202.8	200.9	196.6	218.0	177.0	160.2	174.1	142.0
1953	Jan.	221.5	202.0	199.4	196.5	225.5	177.0	148.1	175.0	142.0
	Feb.	220.9	200.9	199.6	195.9	233.0	177.0	146.8	175.0	142.0
	Mar.	221.9	201.5	201.0	196.5	230.2	177.0	143.2	174.2	141.1
	Apr.	219.6	197.3	199.9	196.4	229.3	177.0	142.8	176.5	141.1
	May	220.1	197.4	200.8	197.0	229.3	177.0	150.3	176.5	141.1
	June	221.7	197.4	199.4	207.7	206.6	177.0	158.7	175.1	141.1
	July	221.2	198.7	197.2	206.1	197.8	188.0	155.9	174.6	143.9

- 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
1952	Average ..									282.3	200.2	183.2	352.3	443.6	372.4	202.6	179.4
1952	Apr.	274.8	202.9	186.1	357.7	523.0	507.2	200.9	180.6
	May	253.2	199.7	180.6	362.5	588.4	507.2	200.9	180.6
	June	271.3	193.5	180.2	355.9	628.9	507.2	200.9	180.2
	July	271.8	193.0	180.3	356.2	526.7	330.7	200.9	180.2
	Aug.	260.7	192.2	175.1	347.3	472.1	316.9	206.8	180.2
	Sept.	266.9	189.9	175.1	340.5	341.6	269.5	206.8	180.2
	Oct.	283.7	189.2	173.3	341.4	327.8	238.2	204.7	180.2
	Nov.	303.3	187.4	173.1	347.8	331.3	260.2	204.7	174.2
	Dec.	300.6	185.6	173.1	347.1	305.6	261.7	201.7	173.8
1953	Jan.	315.8	184.2	171.4	344.3	280.6	286.1	201.7	173.2
	Feb.	310.4	181.7	171.4	340.8	244.6	338.5	196.5	172.5
	Mar.	326.3	180.7	171.4	353.8	196.5	323.5	196.5	172.5
	Apr.	304.2	176.8	162.1	343.2	162.5	224.8	175.5	172.5
	May	301.6	178.2	163.5	339.5	147.8	212.7	175.5	172.5
	June	289.9	176.8	163.8	342.3	153.1	212.7	175.5	172.4
	July	281.0	175.5	163.8	356.8	196.8	252.1	175.5	172.4

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
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- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								
Date	Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanu- factured	Boots and Shoes	Live- stock	Steers
1952 Average ...	248.2	278.8	107.7	140.8	208.6	203.4	316.4	422.3
1952 Apr.	248.3	294.9	102.6	114.5	199.2	207.1	310.0	404.6
May	242.1	286.1	104.3	133.4	200.8	199.5	307.0	402.3
June	245.7	284.9	104.3	126.3	204.9	199.5	313.9	424.3
July	247.0	272.9	105.6	133.8	204.9	199.5	317.4	434.9
Aug.	244.7	272.1	105.6	136.6	205.0	199.5	316.5	431.9
Sept.	238.5	258.4	102.3	138.9	206.9	199.5	303.0	400.5
Oct.	232.8	254.9	102.3	139.6	210.3	202.7	285.2	361.9
Nov.	235.3	254.6	102.3	152.5	210.3	202.7	291.3	378.9
Dec.	237.3	260.6	102.3	152.9	212.5	202.7	299.5	392.2
1953 Jan.	239.3	265.1	102.3	142.7	212.5	202.7	298.4	380.8
Feb.	239.0	264.1	93.6	159.3	212.5	202.7	289.7	355.3
Mar.	238.7	264.4	93.6	161.9	212.5	202.7	288.0	342.0
Apr.	234.4	257.4	97.8	156.7	211.8	202.7	275.8	326.3
May	239.1	253.1	104.4	160.2	213.9	204.8	291.5	321.2
June	247.5	253.9	104.4	158.5	217.3	204.8	298.3	317.8
July	243.5	257.1	98.8	155.9	212.5	205.5	287.7	312.0

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Meats, Fresh	Beef and Veal Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Pro- ducts	Butter	Oils and Fats	Eggs
1952 Average ...	343.5	419.1	172.6	194.6	232.5	237.7	103.2	169.4
1952 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.	340.0	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
1953 Jan.	308.9	362.7	174.1	201.8	235.1	241.7	106.1	155.4
Feb.	298.1	344.8	194.1	216.9	235.9	246.7	104.7	168.8
Mar.	296.3	341.4	191.7	228.9	233.9	241.2	108.9	184.6
Apr.	290.9	331.9	198.4	247.0	226.6	227.8	111.8	188.5
May	297.7	329.5	218.2	234.9	220.2	223.7	110.3	192.4
June	319.9	344.2	247.4	234.9	221.2	221.9	109.4	208.3
July	303.2	321.0	245.1	241.0	220.5	221.2	122.6	224.0

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 Thread	Rayon Fabrics
1952 Average .	251.5	326.4	281.2	254.0	240.7	311.1	169.5	184.5
1952 Apr.	253.9	340.4	285.6	257.2	245.8	335.1	169.5	182.6
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	299.6	169.5	177.3
Sept. ...	246.4	320.6	280.6	249.3	236.8	295.9	169.5	177.3
Oct.	245.3	301.8	269.7	250.0	236.8	301.7	169.5	177.3
Nov.	242.2	292.3	269.7	250.1	235.8	259.2	169.5	177.3
Dec.	241.4	279.4	267.3	250.5	235.8	259.2	169.5	177.3
1953 Jan.	240.3	274.2	263.3	249.2	235.8	252.3	169.5	165.3
Feb.	241.1	280.9	251.6	249.2	235.8	252.3	169.5	165.3
Mar.	241.6	284.6	251.6	246.8	235.8	252.3	169.5	165.3
Apr.	241.6	281.6	251.6	246.6	235.8	248.9	169.5	165.3
May	241.2	286.4	244.6	246.6	244.1	248.9	169.5	165.3
June	241.7	282.0	244.6	246.6	244.1	248.9	169.5	163.3
July	241.2	288.5	244.6	246.6	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3

- 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
1952 Average .	178.5	251.2	216.0	198.0	263.5	261.4	258.0	226.5
1952 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	224.9
Aug.	176.9	252.9	228.3	203.2	255.4	252.5	251.9	224.9
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	253.9	224.9
Dec.	176.9	242.3	229.3	201.3	255.4	252.5	253.9	224.9
1953 Jan.	176.9	259.0	229.3	205.1	255.4	252.5	255.0	225.8
Feb.	176.9	259.0	227.7	214.7	255.4	252.5	258.1	225.8
Mar.	176.9	259.0	234.7	214.7	255.4	252.5	263.1	225.8
Apr.	176.9	259.0	245.8	218.3	255.4	252.5	263.1	225.8
May	176.9	268.3	250.4	217.3	234.8	252.5	268.2	225.8
June	176.9	266.2	254.5	226.3	234.8	252.5	270.2	224.9
July	176.9	266.2	258.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	268.2	224.9

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
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- WOOD, WOOD PRODUCTS AND PAPER -										
Date	Total Wood Pro- ducts	Lumber and Timber	Spruce	Hard- woods	Hem- lock	Fir	Cedar	Wood- pulp	News- print	Wrap- ing Paper No. 1 Kraft
1952 Average ...	291.0	437.8	419.9	352.8	408.2	530.0	397.0	228.0	275.4	215.9
1952 Apr.	286.5	439.2	421.3	370.1	409.6	537.5	393.2	236.7	262.4	215.9
May	284.9	433.6	427.8	344.2	409.6	515.3	386.8	237.5	261.6	215.9
June	294.6	433.3	428.0	344.2	409.6	515.3	384.3	235.7	285.3	215.9
July	292.2	434.3	428.0	344.2	409.6	515.3	391.0	221.6	283.1	215.9
Aug.	291.0	436.2	428.0	344.2	409.6	515.3	403.1	218.6	280.2	215.9
Sept.	290.9	436.0	428.0	344.2	409.6	515.3	401.7	218.4	280.0	215.9
Oct.	289.5	430.1	404.1	344.2	403.9	515.3	403.1	212.6	281.9	215.9
Nov.	292.1	430.6	404.1	344.2	403.9	515.3	406.4	215.6	286.2	215.9
Dec.	289.9	427.8	404.1	344.2	403.9	515.3	388.2	213.3	283.3	215.9
1953 Jan.	289.8	428.4	404.1	344.2	403.9	515.3	392.2	210.7	283.5	215.9
Feb.	289.7	425.7	404.1	344.2	403.9	505.7	396.1	211.7	284.6	215.9
Mar.	290.9	424.8	404.4	344.2	403.9	503.3	393.4	213.6	287.2	215.9
Apr.	289.9	421.9	404.4	344.2	392.6	497.2	393.2	212.9	286.8	215.9
May	290.3	420.9	404.8	344.2	392.6	494.8	391.5	205.9	290.3	215.9
June	290.5	423.6	404.8	344.2	392.6	502.7	391.7	205.3	289.4	215.9
July	289.7	421.7	404.8	329.8	392.6	500.3	391.2	204.8	288.8	215.9
- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -										
	Total Iron Pro- ducts	Pig Iron	Rolling Mill Pro- ducts	Pipe and Tubing	Hard- ware	Wire	Scrap Iron and Steel	Tin Plate and Gal- vanized Sheet		
1952 Average ...	219.0	256.7	203.9	244.7	218.8	237.0	316.8	223.4		
1952 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.	221.2	260.1	209.1	246.0	218.6	238.3	315.9	224.4		
Nov.	221.5	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	315.9	224.4		
Dec.	221.5	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	315.9	224.4		
1953 Jan.	221.5	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	315.9	224.4		
Feb.	221.4	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	313.6	224.4		
Mar.	221.4	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	313.6	224.4		
Apr.	221.5	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	313.6	224.4		
May	221.2	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	311.1	223.0		
June	220.6	260.1	209.6	238.3	222.8	245.5	288.1	223.0		
July	220.6	260.1	209.6	238.3	222.8	245.5	288.1	223.0		

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
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- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -									
Date	Total Non- Ferrous Metals (1)	Anti- mony	Copper and Its Pro- ducts	Lead and Its Pro- ducts	Silver	Tin	Zinc and Its Pro- ducts	Solder	Combined Index Iron and Non- Ferrous Metals(2)
1952 Average	172.9	257.3	270.2	336.4	215.5	227.1	375.0	239.2	225.0
1952 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	223.2
Nov. ..	167.6	196.2	278.4	272.6	210.1	227.0	295.4	224.5	222.6
Dec. ..	167.7	196.2	278.4	283.4	208.5	225.4	293.9	234.1	222.9
1953 Jan. ..	169.6	182.5	278.4	285.4	211.6	224.7	295.9	234.1	224.2
Feb. ..	168.5	182.5	278.3	271.4	215.2	223.3	274.4	234.1	223.2
Mar. ..	174.7	175.6	309.0	274.2	216.5	228.8	263.1	234.1	227.6
Apr. ..	170.7	175.6	295.1	257.4	216.5	187.0	261.9	216.6	224.7
May ...	168.1	175.6	281.6	251.1	218.9	187.9	256.4	207.0	222.2
June ..	168.6	175.6	281.5	264.6	218.9	177.9	256.4	207.0	222.2
July ..	168.3	175.6	281.2	270.3	218.3	154.0	256.4	191.1	222.1

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								
	Total Non- Metallic Products	Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Manu- factured Gas	Window Glass
1952 Average	173.9	207.0	146.8	176.1	213.7	226.8	132.5	200.0
Apr. ..	174.3	208.7	146.8	176.8	213.7	227.3	120.5	204.6
May ...	173.9	210.0	146.8	175.9	213.7	227.3	138.5	204.6
June ..	173.3	210.0	146.8	173.7	213.7	227.3	138.5	204.6
July ..	173.4	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
1953 Jan. ..	175.3	210.0	146.8	180.8	213.7	227.3	138.5	210.4
Feb. ..	174.9	211.1	146.8	180.5	213.7	227.3	138.5	210.4
Mar. ..	175.2	218.5	146.8	180.6	213.7	227.3	138.5	210.4
Apr. ..	174.4	218.5	146.8	178.7	213.7	227.3	138.5	210.4
May ...	173.9	221.5	146.8	176.0	213.7	227.3	138.5	210.4
June ..	176.4	221.5	146.8	176.2	213.7	227.3	138.5	233.8
July ..	177.0	221.5	146.8	177.8	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8

(1) Includes Gold.

(2) Excludes Gold.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
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- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued									
Date	Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gas- line	Coal Oil	Asphalt	Asphalt Shingles	Salt	Sulphur	
1952 Average	170.7	162.1	138.1	129.2	181.1	150.4	282.4	174.0	
1952 Apr.	170.7	164.9	141.3	131.3	182.5	150.4	282.4	169.9	
May	170.7	161.0	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	177.3	
June	170.7	161.0	137.4	128.9	180.7	150.4	282.4	176.1	
July	170.7	160.9	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	
1953 Jan.	170.7	159.4	134.9	126.9	183.4	150.4	282.4	174.8	
Feb.	170.7	158.4	133.9	126.7	183.4	150.4	282.4	175.7	
Mar.	170.7	158.4	133.9	126.7	183.4	150.4	282.4	177.2	
Apr.	170.7	159.0	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	282.4	177.0	
May	170.7	159.1	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	282.4	179.4	
June	170.7	164.9	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	282.4	202.9	
July	170.7	165.4	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	282.4	202.5	

NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Build- ing Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1952 Average	126.4	190.4	154.6	142.6	155.8	192.0	267.1
1952 Apr.	126.7	191.7	152.8	141.2	153.3	190.6	267.1
May	126.7	191.7	152.8	141.2	155.7	190.6	267.1
June	126.7	191.7	152.8	141.2	155.7	190.6	267.1
July	126.7	191.7	153.1	141.2	155.7	190.6	267.1
Aug.	126.7	191.7	156.2	141.2	155.7	190.6	267.1
Sept.	126.7	191.7	157.5	141.2	155.7	190.6	267.1
Oct.	126.7	189.9	157.5	141.2	155.7	190.6	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
1953 Jan.	126.7	189.9	157.9	145.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Feb.	126.7	189.9	157.9	145.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Mar.	126.7	189.9	157.9	145.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Apr.	126.7	189.9	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
May	126.7	189.9	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
June	126.7	191.3	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
July	126.7	191.3	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Concluded
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- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS -						
Date	Total Chemical Products	Inorganic Chemicals	Organic Chemicals	Coal Tar Products	Dyeing Materials	Tanning Materials
1952 Average .	180.1	136.8	209.3	187.5	184.7	258.8
1952 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	177.3	136.6	200.7	187.5	172.3	248.5
Aug.	177.2	136.6	200.3	187.5	172.3	248.5
Sept. ...	177.1	136.6	200.3	187.5	172.3	248.5
Oct.	176.2	136.9	195.9	187.5	172.3	288.8
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
1953 Jan.	177.0	136.7	216.6	187.5	172.3	288.8
Feb.	176.7	136.5	216.6	187.5	172.3	288.8
Mar.	176.5	136.8	216.6	187.5	172.3	288.8
Apr.	176.2	136.0	216.6	187.5	174.8	288.8
May	176.2	136.0	216.6	191.6	174.8	288.8
June	176.4	136.2	216.6	191.6	174.8	288.8
July	176.1	140.1	216.6	191.6	174.8	288.8

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Ex- plosives	Paint Prepared	Fertil- izer Materials	Indus- trial Gases	Soap
1952 Average .	139.3	187.9	175.9	127.3	191.1
1952 Apr.	139.5	189.1	178.5	128.5	191.1
May	139.5	189.1	178.5	127.3	191.1
June	139.5	189.1	174.0	125.9	191.1
July	139.5	189.1	174.0	129.0	191.1
Aug.	139.5	189.1	174.0	131.2	191.1
Sept. ...	139.5	189.1	174.0	129.0	191.1
Oct.	139.5	189.1	174.0	127.7	191.1
Nov.	139.5	189.1	174.0	125.7	191.1
Dec.	139.5	189.1	174.0	126.5	191.1
1953 Jan.	139.5	189.1	174.0	126.5	191.1
Feb.	139.5	189.1	174.0	126.6	191.1
Mar.	139.5	189.1	174.0	126.5	191.1
Apr.	139.5	189.1	173.3	125.9	191.1
May	139.5	189.1	173.3	128.8	191.1
June	139.5	189.1	173.3	126.9	191.1
July	139.5	189.1	166.4	127.1	191.1

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -											
(1935-39=100)											
Date	Total Index (1949=100)*	Total Index	Cement Sand and Gravel	Brick, Tile and Stone	Lumber and Its Products	Lath, Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Material	Paint and Glass	Plumbing and Heating Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Fixtures	Other Materials
1926 ...	48.1	109.6	105.5	103.2	110.9	101.4	104.3	156.8	110.2	91.6	112.0
1929 ...	49.3	112.4	107.6	107.4	116.7	94.4	108.8	151.5	108.5	130.1	106.1
1932 ...	38.4	87.5	103.7	101.8	72.7	85.0	95.5	111.7	108.1	79.1	89.5
1939 ...	44.9	102.3	94.0	97.2	104.9	99.4	104.1	97.2	103.0	102.4	104.6
1940 ...	48.4	110.3	94.6	98.0	119.1	99.7	110.4	115.2	106.5	107.1	109.2
1941 ...	53.8	122.6	99.1	105.1	139.2	102.8	118.7	136.2	114.6	109.0	112.5
1942 ...	57.4	130.9	100.8	109.0	153.2	104.8	123.4	146.9	120.0	110.3	117.6
1943 ...	61.0	139.1	101.2	113.1	171.3	104.8	130.1	149.4	120.0	110.3	117.9
1944 ...	64.3	146.6	101.8	114.9	188.4	104.8	136.0	146.6	120.0	110.3	117.9
1945 ...	65.0	148.3	102.1	116.4	191.3	104.8	135.5	142.2	122.2	111.4	118.0
1946 ...	67.8	154.5	102.0	121.0	202.1	104.2	146.2	144.2	127.2	116.9	126.4
1947 ...	79.1	180.4	109.7	133.4	242.0	107.3	172.3	169.6	145.2	147.4	143.0
1948 ...	95.4	217.5	122.3	143.1	305.8	116.7	201.6	183.1	168.3	169.8	162.3
1949 ...	100.0	228.0	127.0	151.0	322.1	118.1	190.5	179.6	180.2	173.4	174.7
1950 ...	106.4	242.7	131.3	163.8	349.2	116.7	235.4	174.8	183.2	184.5	181.1
1951 ...	125.5	286.2	140.9	180.7	425.0	126.3	235.8	197.8	210.4	213.3	212.7
1952 ...	124.9	284.8	149.5	195.3	415.7	128.5	217.7	194.9	215.6	212.0	226.3
<u>1952</u>											
Jan.	126.3	288.0	148.3	183.2	424.7	126.7	210.9	197.5	217.3	218.8	222.1
Feb.	126.3	287.9	148.9	183.2	423.6	126.7	223.0	200.5	217.3	215.9	222.1
Mar.	125.8	286.8	148.9	192.5	420.9	126.7	220.0	199.7	216.6	211.6	222.1
Apr.	125.0	284.9	148.1	192.5	415.8	129.1	216.9	198.5	216.9	208.4	227.4
May	124.5	283.9	148.1	198.8	413.4	129.1	213.9	193.7	216.2	208.4	227.4
June	124.3	283.5	148.1	198.8	413.4	129.1	210.9	194.2	215.1	206.6	227.4
July	124.5	283.8	148.3	198.8	413.1	129.1	216.9	192.4	215.2	212.9	227.4
Aug.	124.6	284.1	150.1	198.8	413.1	129.1	223.0	192.4	215.2	212.6	227.4
Sept.	124.6	284.0	151.1	198.8	413.1	129.1	220.0	192.4	215.2	212.2	227.4
Oct.	124.5	283.8	151.1	198.8	412.5	129.1	220.0	192.4	215.2	212.2	227.4
Nov.	124.3	283.4	151.1	199.5	412.4	129.1	220.0	190.2	213.3	212.2	228.8
Dec.	124.3	283.3	151.9	199.5	411.9	129.1	217.0	195.0	213.1	212.1	228.8
<u>1953</u>											
Jan.	124.4	283.7	152.1	199.5	412.9	129.1	217.0	195.8	213.1	211.0	228.8
Feb.	123.8	282.3	152.1	199.5	409.5	129.1	217.0	195.4	213.1	211.0	228.8
Mar.	124.3	283.4	152.1	205.7	411.5	129.1	217.0	195.4	211.7	217.9	228.8
Apr.	124.4	283.6	151.6	205.7	410.3	129.1	216.9	195.0	215.5	217.9	228.8
May	124.0	282.8	151.6	207.4	410.4	129.1	216.9	195.8	212.1	209.7	228.8
June	124.6	284.1	151.6	207.4	413.1	129.1	220.0	202.7	211.3	209.7	228.8
July	124.5	283.9	151.6	207.4	412.8	128.9	219.7	203.9	211.3	209.7	228.8

* Arithmetically converted to base 1949=100, for comparability with Price Indexes of Non-Residential Building Materials shown in Table 7.

TABLE 7. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS
(1949 = 100)

-PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS-							
Date	Total Index	Aggregate, Cement and Concrete Mix	Blocks, Brick and Stone	Tile	Lumber and Lumber Products	Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Materials
1950	105.0	103.2	104.3	104.9	110.3	103.0	105.8
1951	118.6	111.3	113.0	110.6	128.3	115.7	125.4
1952	123.2	117.4	119.7	115.5	127.9	121.3	121.7
1952 July	122.9	117.5	120.6	115.6	128.3	121.7	119.3
Aug.	123.0	118.4	120.9	115.8	128.3	121.7	119.3
Sept.	123.0	118.6	121.1	115.9	128.4	121.6	119.2
Oct.	123.9	118.6	121.1	115.9	128.3	121.6	119.2
Nov.	124.2	118.6	123.0	115.9	128.2	121.4	119.2
Dec.	124.2	119.5	123.0	115.9	127.7	121.4	118.8
1953 Jan.	124.4	119.9	123.0	116.7	128.4	121.3	118.6
Feb.	124.5	120.4	123.4	117.2	128.4	121.4	118.6
Mar.	124.8	120.4	126.0	117.3	128.3	121.2	119.6
Apr.	124.6	119.1	126.0	117.3	128.4	121.2	119.9
May	124.4	119.1	126.5	117.0	128.5	120.9	118.5
June	124.7	119.3	126.5	117.0	128.8	121.1	118.7
July	124.7	119.3	126.5	117.0	128.7	121.2	119.6
		Steel and Metal Work	Hardware	Lath, Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscellaneous Materials
1950		107.3	103.8	98.7	104.7	100.5	97.7
1951		122.0	120.3	107.1	128.9	113.0	106.0
1952		131.3	125.9	109.7	134.5	115.6	106.4
1952 July		130.2	125.4	110.0	134.9	114.2	106.5
Aug.		130.2	125.4	110.0	134.9	114.2	106.5
Sept.		130.2	125.4	110.0	134.9	114.2	106.5
Oct.		134.7	125.8	110.0	134.9	114.2	106.5
Nov.		134.7	128.3	110.0	134.9	114.1	106.5
Dec.		134.7	128.3	110.1	135.1	118.7	106.5
1953 Jan.		134.7	128.3	110.3	135.1	118.7	106.5
Feb.		134.7	128.3	110.3	135.1	119.2	106.5
Mar.		134.8	128.3	110.3	135.1	119.2	103.7
Apr.		134.7	128.3	110.2	134.9	119.1	103.7
May		134.7	128.3	110.2	134.9	119.2	103.7
June		134.7	128.3	110.2	134.9	124.9	103.7
July		134.7	128.3	110.2	132.6	124.9	103.2

TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly	July	June	July
		Average 1952	1952	1953	1953
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, Domestic 2/	bu.	1.822	1.805	2.038	2.024
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern (I.W.A.) 3/	bu.	1.822	1.805	1.850	1.845
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.879	.814	.705	.721
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.273	1.152	1.224	1.142
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.881	1.909	1.289	1.191
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bbl.	11.142	11.100	12.800	12.600
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal 4/	cwt.	8.744	8.598	7.648	7.648
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.800	1.690	1.350	1.200
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.637	.635	.665	.695
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75 lb. bag	4.063	5.175	1.250	1.790
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	25.771	26.590	19.480	18.950
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included) ...	cwt.	25.802	25.600	33.230	32.910
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers ...	lb.	.182	.175	.175	.165
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2 ...	lb.	.762	.770	.720	.720
LEATHER, Box Sides, D, f.o.b. Ontario factory	sq. ft.	.382	.370	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal ..	lb.	.624	.576	.580	.578
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.542	.646	.687	.780
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.389	.391	.339	.339
COTTON YARNS, 10's white	lb.	.793	.795	.690	.690
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ..	lb.	.483	.490	.520	.520
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Canadian Mill (Southern Quebec)	ton	105.462	108.376	110.813	110.569
PIG IRON, Malleable	gr. ton	56.125	55.500	58.000	58.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic	cwt.	28.533	29.500	29.853	29.759
LEAD, Domestic	cwt.	16.128	15.595	12.667	12.943
TIN INGOTS	lb.	1.210	1.202	.948	.821
ZINC, Domestic, Grade "A", Electrolytic	cwt.	17.370	15.955	11.850	11.850
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.790	19.300	20.060	21.100
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.222	.222	.217	.217
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb. sq.	8.450	8.450	8.450	8.450
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume	ton	24.000	24.000	24.000	26.350

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

2/ 1953-54 I.W.A. and Domestic.

3/ 1952-53 I.W.A. includes six cents carrying charge.

4/ Paper bags, effective January, 1953.

TABLE 9. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES
(1949 = 100)

		Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House- hold Oper- ation	Other Commod- ities & Services	
1939	.....	63.2	50.2	84.6	54.9	66.5	77.2	
1940	.....	65.7	52.6	86.6	59.9	70.3	77.9	
1941	.....	69.6	57.9	89.2	63.6	73.8	80.0	
1942	.....	72.9	63.4	90.7	65.8	76.0	82.0	
1943	.....	74.2	65.2	90.9	66.1	76.1	84.8	
1944	.....	74.6	65.5	91.2	66.6	75.7	86.1	
1945	.....	75.0	66.3	91.4	66.9	74.9	86.4	
1946	.....	77.5	70.0	91.8	69.2	77.2	88.7	
1947	.....	84.8	79.5	95.1	78.9	86.2	91.6	
1948	.....	97.0	97.5	98.3	95.6	96.8	96.5	
1949	.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
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>1950</u>	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
<u>1953</u>	January	2	115.7	113.5	122.3	109.7	116.5	116.7
	February	2	115.5	112.7	122.5	109.6	116.6	116.7
	March	2	114.8	111.6	122.5	109.7	116.7	115.2
	April	1	114.6	110.9	122.7	109.7	116.9	115.0
	May	1	114.4	110.1	122.9	110.1	116.6	115.1
	June	1	114.9	111.4	123.6	110.1	116.6	115.1
	July	2	115.4	112.7	123.9	110.3	117.0	115.2

TABLE 10. - 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	Retail Prices 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	113.8	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> 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
<u>1953</u> Jan. 2	82.9	184.4	226.2	150.2	153.9	205.3	196.0	148.9	208.6
Feb. 2	83.4	184.9	227.4	150.5	154.3	205.2	196.1	149.0	209.2
Mar. 2	82.7	184.2	225.7	150.7	154.4	205.5	196.3	147.9	208.0
Apr. 1	82.4	183.9	223.5	150.9	155.5	205.5	196.8	148.7	207.0
May. 1	82.1	183.6	222.8	151.0	153.2	206.3	196.2	149.0	206.5
June 1	83.3	184.8	225.7	152.5	152.6	206.4	196.2	149.0	207.9
July 2	84.5	186.0	229.2	152.9	153.5	206.5	196.0	149.2	209.7

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 July 1953 index, inclusive of all such taxes is 186.9.

TABLE 11. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - MAIN GROUPS AND SELECTED COMPONENTS

(1949 = 100)

	1950	1951	1952	Apr. 1953	May 1953	June 1953	July 1953
<u>Total Index</u>	102.9	113.7	116.5	114.6	114.4	114.9	115.4
<u>Food</u>	102.6	117.0	116.8	110.9	110.1	111.4	112.7
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	99.7	108.6	113.3	113.1	111.8	111.5	111.3
Cereal Products	103.4	113.0	117.4	117.0	117.6	118.3	120.1
Meats, Fish and Poultry	106.5	127.9	115.5	106.1	105.0	106.1	105.8
<u>Shelter</u>	106.2	114.4	120.2	122.7	122.9	123.6	123.9
Rent	108.2	114.5	120.9	124.2	124.3	125.5	125.9
Home-Ownership	103.6	114.4	119.3	120.6	121.0	121.0	121.3
<u>Clothing</u>	99.7	109.8	111.8	109.7	110.1	110.1	110.3
Men's Wear	99.2	111.6	115.2	113.3	113.3	113.3	113.4
Women's Wear	99.0	105.6	104.8	101.9	103.0	103.0	103.0
Children's Wear	101.6	108.6	111.5	108.7	108.6	108.6	108.6
Footwear	100.8	116.6	127.2	127.9	127.7	127.7	127.7
Piece Goods	103.0	119.8	107.4	104.5	104.4	104.4	106.7
<u>Household Operation</u>	102.4	113.1	116.2	116.9	116.6	116.6	117.0
Fuel and Lighting	103.8	109.9	113.4	116.2	114.9	114.6	115.3
Home Furnishings	101.5	115.5	117.6	116.7	116.6	116.7	116.8
Furniture	101.6	112.9	115.6	117.1	117.3	117.3	117.6
Utensils and Equipment	101.0	113.2	118.9	120.0	120.5	121.2	121.8
Supplies and Services	102.4	112.7	116.8	117.9	118.2	118.4	118.8
Supplies	100.3	112.2	112.4	112.9	113.2	113.3	113.2
Services	103.8	113.0	119.7	121.4	121.6	121.9	122.7
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	103.1	111.5	116.0	115.0	115.1	115.1	115.2
Transportation	105.4	113.0	117.4	118.8	118.8	118.8	118.8
Automobile Operation	103.8	112.9	114.9	113.8	113.8	114.1	114.1
Recreation	102.0	109.7	115.7	115.0	115.5	115.5	116.1
Health Care	102.2	110.3	118.8	121.5	121.5	121.5	121.6
Drugs	101.5	107.4	107.9	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.9
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	102.7	111.5	113.3	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1
Personal Care	100.9	112.5	115.5	115.6	116.1	116.1	115.9
Personal Supplies	99.1	110.6	112.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.4

TABLE 12. - 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	Mar- garine
1950		118.8	117.6	99.3	94.1	101.4	96.3	93.4	107.7
1951		151.3	143.5	114.8	95.4	106.3	113.3	104.9	128.5
1952		133.5	132.7	99.0	78.4	107.4	100.8	102.4	115.3
1952	June 2	128.5	130.4	98.0	74.0	111.5	100.7	96.4	112.4
	July 2	131.1	133.8	100.7	74.3	111.1	100.0	95.8	112.7
	Aug. 1	128.0	136.8	99.3	73.6	106.6	98.8	96.0	113.0
1953	Mar. 2	113.3	115.5	103.7	83.1	96.1	108.2	105.2	118.2
	Apr. 1	110.6	111.9	102.0	84.7	96.1	114.4	102.8	118.5
	May 1	106.9	111.8	113.8	85.9	96.1	116.4	98.3	118.8
	June 1	106.3	112.6	121.8	98.6	96.1	116.4	97.7	119.1
	July 2	105.0	113.9	116.4	103.8	96.1	115.4	97.0	118.8

		Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Tom- atoes, Fresh	Carrots
1950		96.3	91.8	98.1	113.0	99.3	95.4	102.3	108.8
1951		112.4	116.5	105.5	109.6	107.2	99.9	105.7	124.7
1952		92.3	96.0	104.4	105.3	116.9	196.9	103.2	137.1
1952	June 2	89.2	79.0	105.0	100.2	115.5	260.6	111.2	175.9
	July 2	88.9	96.1	105.0	97.7	116.7	254.9	157.0	177.2
	Aug. 1	88.6	111.0	104.5	100.5	117.8	219.6	74.4	138.6
1953	Mar. 2	85.5	97.5	98.2	92.3	120.1	126.9	115.5	126.6
	Apr. 1	85.5	103.6	98.2	91.2	120.1	114.8	109.5	126.6
	May 1	86.7	105.7	97.7	90.9	120.6	105.9	103.5	139.9
	June 1	87.4	107.6	97.2	93.7	120.1	106.5	115.9	146.5
	July 2	87.4	122.6	97.7	100.2	120.1	123.2	160.8	154.5

		Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Gran- ulated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
1950		102.9	99.1	104.6	104.8	114.4	104.4	101.6	144.8
1951		110.0	111.1	115.5	106.9	129.8	114.0	104.2	163.2
1952		118.4	115.9	119.3	105.9	121.0	110.6	104.9	163.0
1952	June 2	118.5	116.1	119.7	106.2	119.3	111.7	104.9	162.2
	July 2	118.5	115.4	119.7	104.7	118.2	110.4	105.1	161.9
	Aug. 1	118.5	115.4	119.7	104.7	117.0	108.7	104.7	161.4
1953	Mar. 2	118.5	115.4	117.7	104.7	110.6	104.4	98.0	161.2
	Apr. 1	118.5	114.7	117.7	104.7	109.5	103.5	97.8	162.7
	May 1	118.5	114.4	118.7	106.2	108.4	102.6	97.3	164.1
	June 1	118.5	114.1	119.7	107.6	107.3	102.6	97.3	163.5
	July 2	118.5	114.1	122.8	111.9	107.3	102.2	97.1	163.5

TABLE 13. - CITY COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES

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- toon	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
1951 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
1952 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
1953 Jan. 2	102.4	173.5	180.7	189.7	181.3	176.5	181.8	175.6	188.2
Feb. 2	102.3	173.9	180.8	190.5	181.5	177.2	182.1	175.7	187.5
Mar. 2	101.3	173.6	180.4	189.8	181.2	176.6	182.4	176.3	187.1
Apr. 1	101.5	173.3	180.5	188.2	181.0	176.9	182.5	176.4	187.2
May 1	101.1	172.6	180.2	188.3	180.9	176.4	182.2	176.6	187.5
June 1	101.2	173.4	181.0	190.1	182.2	177.2	183.4	177.8	187.6
July 2	101.9	174.8	182.4	192.2	183.3	178.9	185.1	179.0	188.8

- (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 13. - 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>									
1952 May 1	(2) 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
1953 Jan. 2	101.6	217.6	219.5	241.9	215.2	226.1	234.1	230.1	236.8
Feb. 2	100.8	218.4	220.0	244.1	215.4	228.1	234.3	230.0	234.6
Mar. 2	99.5	218.0	219.6	242.7	214.5	226.4	235.7	230.9	233.5
Apr. 1	99.4	215.9	218.9	237.0	211.7	226.6	235.5	229.9	232.4
May 1	98.4	212.6	217.1	237.5	211.8	224.8	232.9	230.0	232.6
June 1	98.6	215.1	218.0	241.6	214.9	227.5	236.8	233.3	233.0
July 2	99.6	220.0	222.2	247.6	218.2	232.8	241.8	236.9	236.5
<u>Rent Index</u>									
1952 May 1	(2) 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
1953 Jan. 2	106.8	128.2	128.2	152.2	158.9	136.2	133.3	126.2	136.9
Feb. 2	106.8	128.2	128.2	152.3	159.2	136.7	133.6	127.6	137.2
Mar. 2	106.8	128.2	128.2	152.3	159.3	136.8	134.4	128.1	138.0
Apr. 1	107.1	128.4	128.2	152.3	159.9	137.0	134.4	128.2	138.2
May 1	107.3	128.4	129.7	152.4	160.1	137.0	135.2	128.5	138.4
June 1	107.3	128.5	131.5	154.9	162.0	137.0	135.2	129.6	139.0
July 2	107.3	128.5	132.1	155.2	162.2	137.3	135.4	129.7	140.0
<u>Fuel and Light- ing Index</u>									
1952 May 1	(2) 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
1953 Jan. 2	107.3	153.3	152.4	147.5	178.5	133.3	158.6	121.8	176.9
Feb. 2	106.8	154.5	151.5	147.8	178.5	134.0	160.4	121.3	176.9
Mar. 2	106.8	154.5	151.5	147.8	178.5	134.0	160.4	121.3	177.3
Apr. 1	106.8	155.3	151.9	147.8	180.7	134.0	160.4	121.3	177.7
May 1	106.8	155.3	150.6	143.0	179.0	134.4	162.2	121.3	177.7
June 1	106.8	155.3	152.0	143.0	178.5	134.4	162.2	121.3	174.3
July 2	106.8	155.3	152.0	143.8	178.5	134.9	162.2	121.3	174.3

(2) See Page 22, Footnote (2).

TABLE 13. - CITY COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES - Concluded
(August 1939=100)

		St. John's Nfld	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon	Edmon- ton	Van- couver
Clothing Index										
<u>1952</u>	May 1	(2) 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>1953</u>	Jan. 2	102.1	220.1	226.8	193.4	205.0	201.7	215.9	214.0	217.1
	Feb. 2	102.2	220.0	226.7	193.6	205.0	201.2	215.9	213.9	216.5
	Mar. 2	102.0	220.5	227.2	193.6	205.6	201.7	215.9	213.8	216.2
	Apr. 1	101.6	221.6	228.4	193.2	206.2	202.4	216.1	212.1	216.2
	May 1	101.8	221.8	228.7	194.0	207.1	202.5	217.9	213.3	217.1
	June 1	101.9	222.2	229.0	194.4	207.0	202.5	217.9	213.4	217.2
	July 2	101.8	221.9	228.7	194.6	207.2	202.5	217.8	213.7	217.2
Homefurnishings and Services Index										
<u>1952</u>	May 1	(2) 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>1953</u>	Jan. 2	101.3	187.7	190.0	201.9	189.0	197.9	203.1	189.4	195.1
	Feb. 2	101.6	187.2	189.7	202.0	189.6	197.9	202.9	189.1	195.1
	Mar. 2	101.5	187.1	189.5	202.1	190.0	198.1	203.1	190.5	195.4
	Apr. 1	101.3	187.4	189.8	203.7	189.8	198.2	203.2	191.3	195.4
	May 1	100.9	188.6	189.2	203.8	188.8	197.1	202.5	190.7	195.0
	June 1	101.1	188.6	189.3	203.7	188.9	196.6	202.6	190.7	194.8
	July 2	101.0	188.7	189.3	203.3	189.1	196.4	204.2	191.6	194.8
Miscellaneous Index										
<u>1952</u>	May 1	(2) 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
<u>1953</u>	Jan. 2	100.2	139.6	152.1	144.2	147.4	141.0	134.3	141.4	152.9
	Feb. 2	100.7	140.1	152.1	144.2	147.6	141.0	134.3	141.4	152.9
	Mar. 2	98.5	138.9	150.8	143.2	146.7	140.1	133.2	141.9	152.0
	Apr. 1	99.6	139.5	151.7	144.3	147.9	140.7	133.8	143.5	153.5
	May 1	99.5	139.9	152.0	144.3	147.8	141.1	133.9	143.8	154.1
	June 1	99.3	139.9	152.0	144.3	147.9	141.1	133.9	143.8	154.1
	July 2	101.1	139.9	152.0	144.3	148.3	141.1	133.9	143.8	154.1

TABLE 14.- ACTUAL AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES IN MANUFACTURING
ADJUSTED FOR CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
1945 - 1953

Year and Month	Actual ⁽¹⁾ Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	Index Numbers of		The Consumer Price Index
			Actual Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	
	\$	\$	(1949 = 100)		(1949 = 100)
1945 - Average	30.74	40.99	73.7	98.3	75.0
1946 - Average	29.87	38.54	71.6	92.4	77.5
1947 - Average	34.13	40.25	81.8	96.5	84.8
1948 - Average	38.53	39.72	92.4	95.2	97.0
1949 - Average	41.71	41.71	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950 - Average	43.82	42.59	105.1	102.1	102.9
1951 - Average	48.82	42.94	117.0	102.9	113.7
1952 - Average	53.62	46.03	128.6	110.4	116.5
1951 - Jan. 1	43.71	40.58	104.8	97.3	107.7
Feb. 1	47.36	43.41	113.5	104.1	109.1
Mar. 1	47.12	42.53	113.0	102.0	110.8
Apr. 1	47.60	42.61	114.1	102.2	111.7
May 1	48.49	43.22	116.3	103.6	112.2
June 1	48.56	42.71	116.4	102.4	113.7
July 1	49.37	43.08	118.4	103.3	114.6
Aug. 1	49.31	42.69	118.2	102.3	115.5
Sept. 1	50.05	42.96	120.0	103.0	116.5
Oct. 1	51.08	43.62	122.5	104.6	117.1
Nov. 1	51.62	43.78	123.8	105.0	117.9
Dec. 1	52.17	44.17	125.1	105.9	118.1
1952 - Jan. 1	48.43	40.97	116.1	98.2	118.2
Feb. 1	52.87	44.96	126.8	107.8	117.6
Mar. 1	53.29	45.59	127.8	109.3	116.9
Apr. 1	54.31	46.50	130.2	111.5	116.8
May 1	54.22	46.78	130.0	112.2	115.9
June 1	53.57	46.18	128.4	110.7	116.0
July 1	53.11	45.75	127.3	109.7	116.1
Aug. 1	52.98	45.67	127.0	109.5	116.0
Sept. 1	53.87	46.40	129.2	111.2	116.1
Oct. 1	54.69	47.15	131.1	113.0	116.0
Nov. 1	55.15	47.50	132.2	113.9	116.1
Dec. 1	56.14	48.48	134.6	116.2	115.8
1953 - Jan. 1	51.32	44.36	123.0	106.4	115.7
Feb. 1	56.23	48.68	134.8	116.7	115.5
Mar. 1	56.58	49.29	135.7	118.2	114.8
Apr. 1	56.79	49.55	136.2	118.8	114.6
May 1	56.64	49.51	135.8	118.7	114.4
June 1	56.67 (p)	49.32 (p)	135.9 (p)	118.2 (p)	114.9

(1) Average Weekly Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Manufacturing. For details see monthly publication "Man Hours and Hourly Earnings."

(p) Preliminary

TABLE 15.- 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 (a)	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 - 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	238.6	218.1	161.4	410.3	215.8	229.5
April	245.2	216.9	161.4	454.2	209.6	230.9
August	245.4	212.5	161.4	471.9	204.5(r)	229.0(r)
1953 - January	231.7	207.7	161.4	408.0	202.6(r)	220.1(r)
April	241.3	208.2	161.4	463.5	203.4	226.1
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 - 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	247.9	219.1	152.4	430.0	213.9	234.3
April	247.9	218.2	152.4	432.8	207.9	231.9
August	246.8	211.7	152.4	447.4	202.7	229.2
1953 - January	238.4	208.9	152.4	413.4	200.5	223.2
April	242.1	208.4	152.4	434.0	201.4	225.8
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 - 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	229.4	217.3	169.0	382.4	217.8	224.7
April	242.5	215.7	169.0	484.6	211.2	230.0
August	243.9	213.2	169.0	506.8	206.3(r)	228.9(r)
1953 - January	225.0	206.6(r)	169.0	400.4	204.8(r)	216.9(r)
April	240.5	208.1	169.0	505.4	205.4	226.4

(a) 1953 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

(r) revised.

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES

(1935-39 = 100)

INVESTORS' INDEX

Number of Stocks	Inves- tors' Total	Total Indus- trials	Machin- ery and Equip- ment	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Pro- ducts	Bever- ages	Build- ing Mate- rials
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
<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>1953</u> Jan. ...	172.3	174.3	432.9	502.5	132.6	147.3	279.0	115.2	382.5	293.6
Feb. ...	169.0	170.0	419.9	494.4	133.4	143.0	269.4	117.0	387.0	291.0
Mar. ...	170.0	170.8	415.5	501.9	130.6	145.3	261.5	117.8	396.8	293.3
Apr. ...	160.8	160.6	382.7	472.6	130.4	136.8	247.7	118.2	384.4	282.2
May ...	159.8	159.1	381.6	471.0	128.3	134.6	235.1	118.2	395.9	275.1
June ...	156.8	155.5	378.9	471.9	128.8	127.4	217.6	118.3	388.1	270.7
July ...	160.7	160.5	394.9	494.9	129.8	129.3	202.7	124.3	408.6	278.5
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
July 2	160.3	159.8	392.7	488.5	130.9	128.8	202.1	122.8	400.0	274.9
July 9	161.2	160.9	398.2	493.3	128.6	129.4	191.4	123.5	408.8	277.1
July 16	160.5	160.3	396.7	487.8	129.0	129.3	205.2	124.4	409.9	277.7
July 23	160.2	160.0	390.7	498.5	129.3	127.8	205.9	127.1	412.1	279.7
July 30	161.3	161.6	396.3	506.3	131.2	131.2	209.0	123.9	412.2	283.1

(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX						MINING INDEX (1)			
	Indus- trial Lines (2)	Total Utili- ties (14)	Trans- porta- tion (2)	Tele- phone Tele- graph (2)	Power and Traction (10)	Banks (8)	Mining Total (27)	Gold (22)	Base Metals (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	
1939	Aug. .	95.4	81.1	39.6	110.7	85.5	103.0	105.6	95.8	124.2
1945	Dec. .	99.0	135.9	221.2	117.5	114.7	107.5	108.2	104.0	113.8
1946	Dec. .	92.1	118.3	148.7	118.9	110.3	133.5	83.7	70.9	107.6
1952	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
1953	Jan. .	137.0	167.9	353.6	97.8	146.3	162.0	106.0	73.5	180.6
	Feb. .	131.0	166.0	341.7	98.1	146.2	164.8	103.2	72.2	174.3
	Mar. .	129.5	167.7	344.2	100.0	147.0	165.9	101.7	70.1	174.0
	Apr. .	118.3	161.0	314.0	99.3	144.8	163.0	96.5	69.2	159.0
	May ..	116.4	160.4	307.7	101.1	143.4	166.3	93.8	68.9	150.9
	June .	116.5	157.5	296.0	101.4	140.9	168.4	90.2	66.8	143.7
	July .	121.2	157.9	296.4	101.4	141.9	169.1	91.4	66.3	148.9
Weekly Index										
	July 2	122.6	159.0	301.9	101.6	141.9	169.0	90.8	65.2	149.4
	July 9	122.9	159.4	304.0	101.8	141.6	168.7	90.8	65.8	147.9
	July 16	120.5	157.8	293.4	101.8	142.4	169.0	91.8	66.6	149.6
	July 23	120.4	157.3	292.8	101.6	141.7	168.7	92.3	66.9	150.3
	July 30	119.7	156.1	289.9	100.0	142.0	170.1	91.4	67.0	147.4

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

TABLE 17. - INDEX NUMBERS OF PREFERRED STOCK PRICES
(1935-39 = 100)

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
January	152.1	157.5	144.5	144.7	152.4	166.0	161.4	161.1
February	154.1	158.5	141.0	144.0	153.0	169.3	160.6	161.6
March	154.5	156.0	138.9	142.8	153.7	166.0	159.5	163.4
April	157.8	153.1	144.2	140.9	154.4	165.2	157.2	161.6
May	159.7	154.3	147.0	139.9	157.3	164.3	157.2	162.8
June	161.6	155.8	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7	162.9
July	157.5	155.4	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8	163.6
August	157.9	153.5	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6	
September	151.4	153.6	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4	
October	153.6	152.0	143.7	145.8	161.1	164.2	161.2	
November	154.7	150.2	144.6	150.0	161.1	162.8	160.3	
December	156.0	148.1	144.6	150.7	160.2	159.5	160.7	
Year	155.9	154.0	144.6	143.0	156.7	164.5	160.1	

TABLE 18. - INDEX NUMBERS OF UNITED STATES STOCK PRICES

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

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
January	144.8	125.2	120.1	121.0	135.1	168.6	186.9	197.6
February	143.3	128.7	114.2	117.2	136.7	174.7	183.2	195.9
March	141.3	123.7	116.4	118.0	138.8	170.3	185.3	198.0
April	151.6	119.3	124.6	118.5	141.8	172.3	183.7	190.0
May	154.3	115.2	130.2	117.7	146.9	173.9	183.7	189.6
June	153.2	119.1	135.1	112.0	147.7	171.7	187.6	182.8
July	149.6	126.0	131.9	117.8	138.2	172.8	192.1	185.5
August	146.4	124.5	127.1	121.8	147.2	181.5	191.1	
September	125.4	123.1	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2	
October	122.3	125.1	127.8	127.3	157.8	185.0	183.4	
November	120.6	123.6	120.4	129.1	156.1	177.7	189.8	
December	125.5	122.4	119.4	132.7	158.4	182.5	197.0	
Year	139.9	123.0	124.4	121.4	146.4	176.5	187.7	

TABLE 19. - INDEX NUMBERS OF GOVERNMENT OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELDS
(1935-39 = 100)

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
January	90.0	84.9	92.1	95.4	90.1	97.9	113.4	118.3
February	85.9	84.7	92.1	95.2	90.3	97.7	113.9	118.8
March	83.8	84.6	96.7	94.7	90.2	104.6	115.1	118.9
April	84.3	84.8	96.5	94.4	90.7	104.9	115.3	118.9
May	85.1	84.6	95.3	94.4	90.2	104.9	112.6	119.6
June	84.9	84.3	95.4	94.4	90.2	105.3	114.0	120.6
July	85.1	83.8	95.6	93.8	91.0	104.7	117.3	120.7
August	85.0	83.9	96.2	92.7	90.5	104.9	119.1	
September	84.9	84.0	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6	
October	85.0	84.2	96.3	89.1	92.0	105.7	118.6	
November	85.0	84.4	95.7	89.2	93.9	107.8	117.8	
December	85.0	84.8	95.5	90.3	96.7	112.0	118.0	
Year	85.3	84.4	95.3	93.0	91.3	104.6	116.2	

TABLE 20. - EXCHANGE RATES

(Canadian Dollars)

Nominal quotations based on official parities, or market rates in terms of United States dollars or sterling, converted into Canadian dollars at noon Ottawa time.

Source: Bank of Canada

Country	Unit	1951	1952	1952	1953		
		Average	Average	July Average	May Average	June Average	July Average
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
United States	dollar	1.0528	.9789	.9691	.9941	.9944	.9918
United Kingdom	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.7021	2.7980	2.7982	2.7929
Argentina	peso (free)	.07491	.07010	.06973	.07156	.07158	.07139
Australia	pound	2.3576	2.1872	2.1617	2.2384	2.2385	2.2343
Belgium (1)	franc	.02095	.01947	.01924	.01992	.01991	.01986
Brazil	cruzeiro	.05706	.05291	.05238	.05373	.05375	.05361
Br. west Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.6141	.5696	.5629	.5829	.5829	.5818
Ceylon	rupee	.2211	.2056	.2035	.2099	.2099	.2095
Chile	peso (free)	.01521	.00908	.00780	.00904	.00904	.00902
Colombia	peso (basic)	.4515	.3916	.3876	.3826	.3977	.3967
Cuba	peso	1.0528	.9789	.9691	.9941	.9944	.9918
Denmark	krone	.1525	.1417	.1403	.1439	.1440	.1436
Egypt	pound	3.0232	2.8111	2.7828	2.8546	2.8554	2.8481
France and North Africa	franc	.00300	.00280	.00277	.00284	.00284	.00283
Germany	deutsche mark	.2507	.2331	.2307	.2367	.2368	.2362
Hong Kong	dollar	.1829	.1709	.1689	.1749	.1749	.1746
India	rupee	.2211	.2056	.2035	.2098	.2099	.2095
Ireland	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.7021	2.7980	2.7982	2.7929
Italy	lira	.00169	.00157	.00156	.00160	.00160	.00159
Jamaica	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.7021	2.7980	2.7982	2.7929
Japan	yen	-	.00272	.00269	.00276	.00276	.00276
Lebanon	pound (free)	-	.2734	-	.2818	.2857	.2940
Mexico	peso	.1218	.1132	.1120	.1149	.1150	.1147
Netherlands	guilder	.2770	.2576	.2550	.2616	.2617	.2610
New Zealand	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.7021	2.7978	2.7982	2.7929
Norway	krone	.1474	.1371	.1357	.1392	.1392	.1388
Pakistan	rupee	.3182	.2959	.2929	.3005	.3005	.2998
Peru	sol-certificate	.07001	.06346	.06196	.06136	.06172	.06127
Philippines	peso	.5264	.4895	.4845	.4970	.4972	.4959
Portugal	escudo	.03652	.03412	.03372	.03470	.03470	.03461
Singapore	dollar	.3440	.3190	.3152	.3264	.3265	.3258
Sweden	krona	.2035	.1892	.1873	.1922	.1922	.1917
Switzerland	franc	.2429	.2266	.2252	.2320	.2320	.2315
Turkey	lira	.3753	.3496	.3461	.3550	.3551	.3542
Union of South Africa	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.7021	2.7980	2.7982	2.7929
Venezuela	bolivar	.3143	.2922	.2893	.2967	.2968	.2961
Yugoslavia	dinar	-	.00326	.00323	.00331	.00331	.00331

For further information please refer to "Foreign Trade" published weekly by the Department of Trade and Commerce.

(1) Includes Belgian Empire and Luxemburg.

TABLE 21. - INDEX NUMBERS OF CONSUMER AND WHOLESALE PRICES

IN CANADA AND OTHER SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Country	Base Period	1939	1952	1 9 5 3					
				Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July
<u>COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	182.9	232.7(f)	255.8					
Canada	1949(a)	63.2	116.5	115.5	114.8	114.6	114.4	114.9	115.4
Denmark	1935	109	218	219					
France (Paris)	1949		145.4	146.0	145.2	144.7	145.5	145.4	
India (Bombay)	1933 - 1934	106	337						
Italy (Rome)	1938	105(d)	4,932	4,992	4,988	5,148	5,168		
Malaya	January 1949 (e)		138	134	135	135			
Mexico	1939	100.0	455.7	457.2	449.9				
Netherlands	1949		120	120	120	120	121		
New Zealand	1st. qtr. 1949	74.8	127.5	130.6					
Norway	1949	63.8	132.9	134	135	135	135	135	
South Africa	1938	99.9	185.8	188.9	189.4	189.9	190.7	193.6	
Sweden	1935	107.5	223.0	223.9	224.4	224.2	224.4		
Switzerland	August, 1939		171.0	169.5	169.3	168.8	169.5	169.7	
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952		102.6	104.7	105.4	106.4	106.0	106.6	
United States	1947 - 49 (b)	59.4	113.5	113.4	113.6	113.7	114.0		
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	101.1	299(f)	315	316				
Canada	1935 - 1939	99.3	226.0	220.9	221.9	219.6	220.1	221.7	221.2
Denmark	1935	118	364	349	347	345	343	342	
France	1949		144.9	139.2	139.7	139.0	139.3	138.7	
India	Sept. '38-Aug. '39		434.6(g)	381.5	385.2	384.7	397.4		
Italy	1938		5,270	5,243	5,264(c)	5,234	5,253		
Mexico	1929	127.0	493.7						
Netherlands	1948		140	136	136	134			
New Zealand	1926 - 1930	107.1	257.2(c)	255.1	253.8	252.8			
Norway	1938	102	276.3	276	275	276			
South Africa	1938(h)	97.6	259.0	258.3	257.1				
Sweden	1935	115	317	302	301	300	299		
Switzerland	August, 1939		220.5	213.5	213.5	212.3	214.0	213.2	
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	327.9	323.6	328.2	332.9(c)	330.7(c)	330.0	
United States	1947-49(b)	50.1	111.6	109.6	110.1	109.4	109.8	109.4	

All indexes are from official sources.

(a) New Series, Consumer Price Index, based on 1949 = 100.

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

(c) Revised.

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

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

(f) Average from July 1951 to June 1952.

(g) Average from September 1951 to August 1952.

(h) New Series, based on 1938 = 100.

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 of \$1.40 per bushel for the crop year beginning August 1, 1952 was increased to \$1.60 per bushel, according to an announcement made February 19, 1953.

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. An increase in the initial payments for barley for the crop year 1952-53 was announced February 19, 1953.

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 224 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 103 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 obtainable for twenty-five cents each)

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