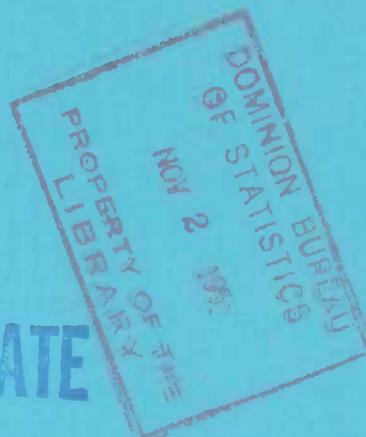


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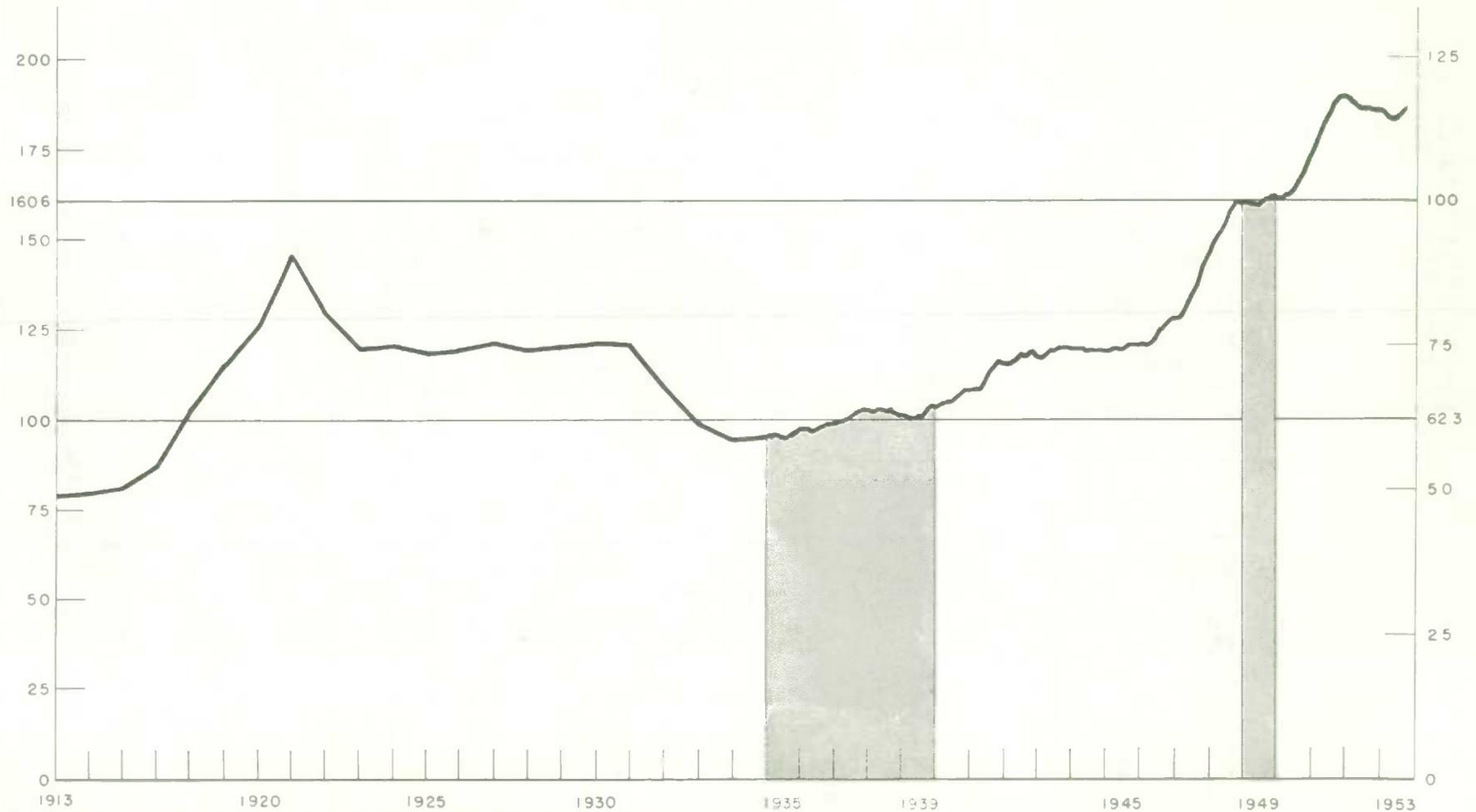
THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX*

ANNUALLY, 1913 - 1934

MONTHLY, 1935 - SEPTEMBER, 1953

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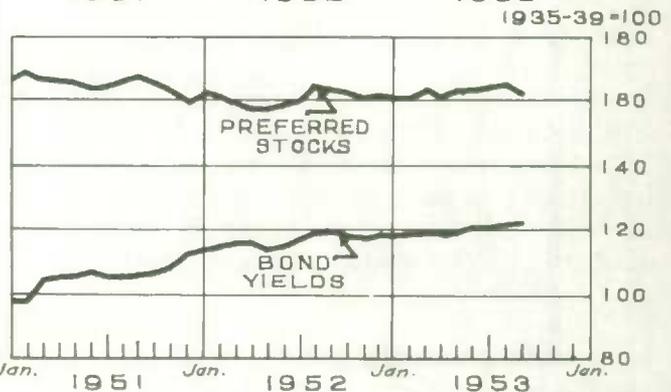
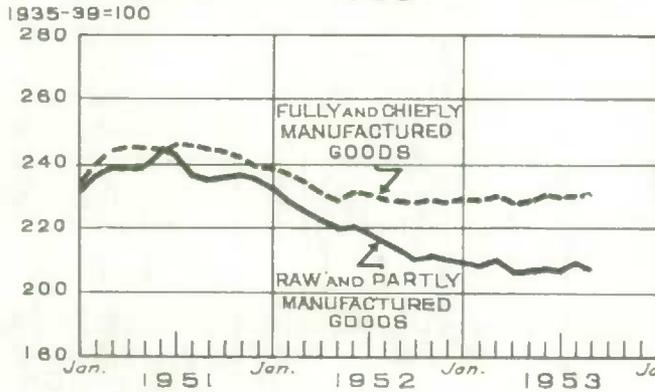
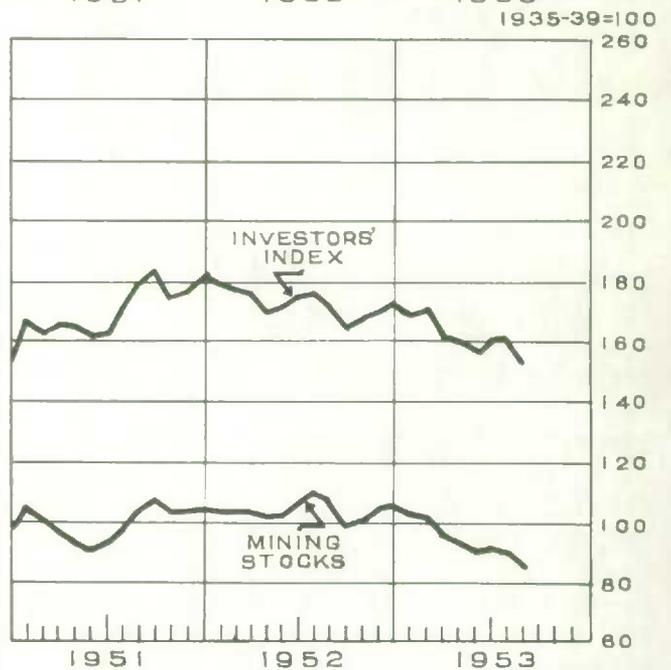
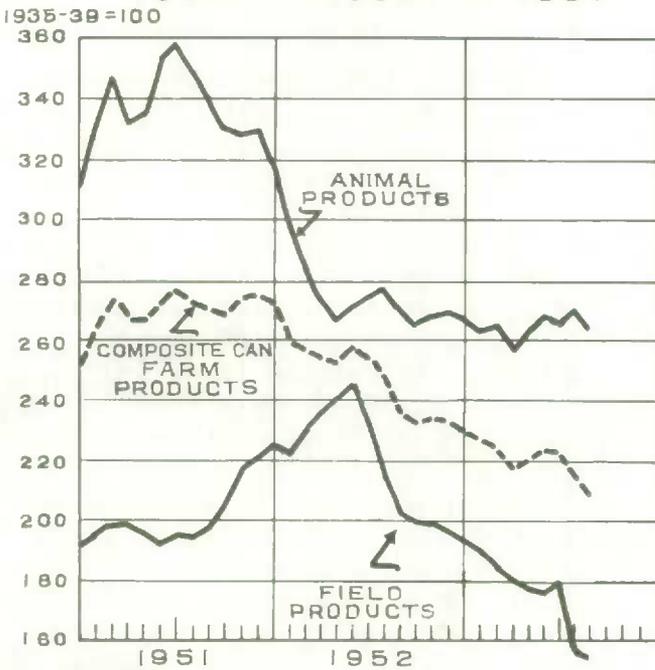
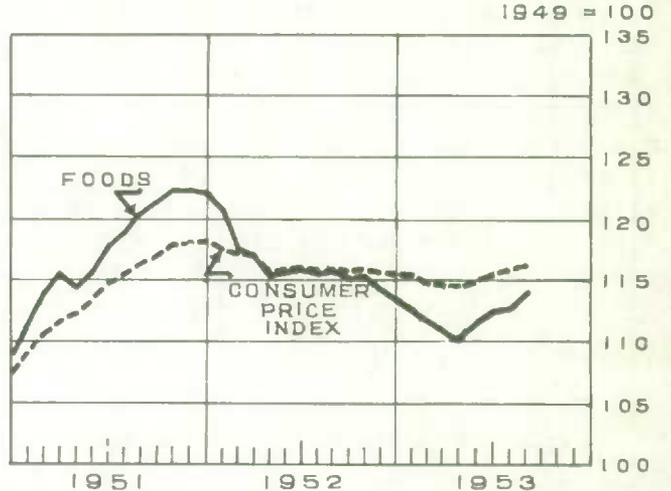
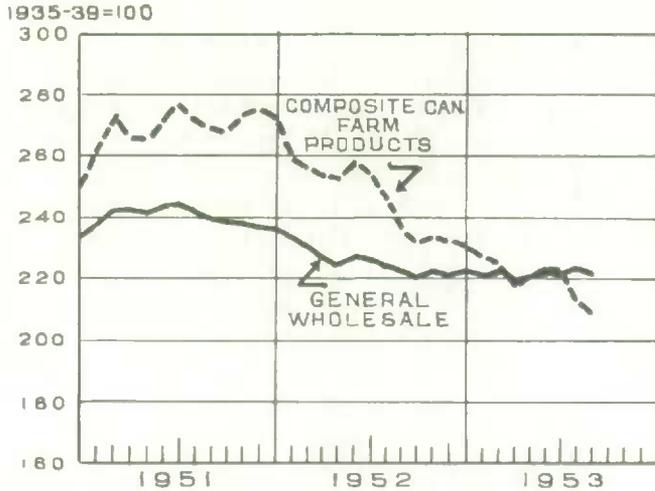
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* THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PRIOR TO JANUARY 1949 IS THE COST-OF-LIVING INDEX INCLUSIVE OF ALL TOBACCO TAXES, LINKED TO THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.

PRICE INDEX GRAPHS

1951 - 1953



NOTES ON PRICE INDEX NUMBERSTHE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(1949 = 100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics' Consumer Price Index advanced a further 0.4 per cent from 115.7 to 116.2 between August 1st and September 1st. The latest index is still two points below the peak of 118.2, reached on January 2, 1952. A rise in the food index from 112.8 to 114.0, was influenced by shifts in the fall pattern of purchases in addition to price changes. Among foods which moved higher were most items of pork, eggs, coffee, lard, bread and butter, while fresh vegetables, fresh fruits and meats other than pork were lower. The household operation series advanced from 117.2 to 117.4 as increases in fuel and some household services outweighed slight scattered declines in other sub-sections. Higher costs of automobile operation, coupled with advances in street car fares and magazine subscriptions, were reflected in an increase in the other commodities and services index from 115.8 to 115.9. Clothing remained unchanged at 110.4 while the shelter component advanced from 124.1 to 124.2 due to slight increases for both rents and home-ownership.

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

The Cost-of-Living Index for September 1st was 186.3 as compared with 186.4 for August 1st. As announced on September 18th, this will be the last publication of this index.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

Wholesale prices, following the indecisive pattern established over the past twelve months, almost cancelled the increase of the previous month, as indicated by a drop in the composite index from 222.4 to 221.5 between August and September.

Decreases were concentrated mainly in vegetable and animal products although losses were noted in non-ferrous metals, wood, wood products and paper, and chemicals and allied products. A drop in vegetable products from 201.7 to 199.5 reflected weakness in most grains, potatoes, sugar, coffee and cocoa beans, rice and onions, which greatly overbalanced strength in fresh fruits, canned fruits and livestock and poultry feeds. Declines in livestock prices, notably lambs, steers and hogs, and fresh meats, outweighed strength in cured meats, butter, lard, tallow, eggs, hides and skins, and fishery products to lower the animal products index from 247.8 to 245.6. In the non-ferrous metals group, decreases in copper, lead, zinc, gold, solder and silver were sufficient to outweigh higher tin quotations and lowered the composite index from 168.2 to 167.1. Lower prices for eastern spruce and hemlock, and western fir and cedar, and woodpulp were responsible for a change in the wood, wood products and paper group from 288.4 to 287.6. Lower prices for soap and zinc oxide moved the index for chemicals and allied products down from 176.0 to 175.3.

Among group increases iron and its products advanced from 220.6 to 221.9 as prices for wire and wire nails moved up. Fibres, textiles and textile products advanced from 240.3 to 240.4 with increases in worsted yarns overbalancing losses in cotton fabrics, imported and domestic raw wool, and cotton yarns. An increase in non-metallic minerals from 178.9 to 179.0 was supported by higher quotations for crude oil and imported United States coal.

Canadian farm product prices at terminal markets continued to weaken in September as the composite index receded to 208.9 from 213.6 in the previous month. Percentagewise, animal products registered a slightly greater decrease than field products, declining from 269.9 to 263.7 as sharp recessions occurred for livestock and raw wool, overbalancing increases in eggs, butterfat, and

milk for cheese manufacture. Field products declined from 157.2 to 154.0 as potatoes moved down, offsetting a slight gain in corn and wheat.

Residential building materials were lower in September as recorded by the change in the composite index from 283.6 in August to 281.0 in the month under review. Easier prices were noted for certain lumber descriptions coupled with declines in a few plumbing and heating fixtures. Among commodity advances were those for shellac and wire nails.

The non-residential building materials index, on the base 1949 = 100, moved down from 124.5 to 123.8 between August and September. Price decreases were noted for lumber and plumbing and heating items, while advances occurred for wire nails, shellac and concrete mix.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

Common stock prices on Canadian Exchanges registered a substantial decline during September as indicated by the change in the Investors' Index from 161.2 for August to 152.9 for the month under review.

Greatest losses among major groups were in the industrials, where the composite group index for 81 issues fell from 161.6 to 152.2 between August and September. Among individual industrial groups, weakness was shown for machinery and equipment issues, industrial mines, building materials, and oils. For the same period, the group index for 14 utilities fell from 154.6 to 148.1, largely reflecting a drop in transportation issues, coupled with lesser declines for communication issues and power and traction. Bank shares were relatively firm as indicated by a change in the index from 171.7 to 171.6.

The composite mining stock index, paralleling the change in industrials and utilities, moved lower from 90.7 to 85.0. Both base metal shares and golds were weaker, an index for the former receding from 144.0 to 136.3 while over the same period, gold stocks moved down from 67.5 to 62.5.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE MOVEMENTSTABLE 1. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-39 = 100)

Note: 1953 Wholesale Price Indexes are subject to revision.

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
	<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>	240.0	221.9	222.4	221.5	- 7.7	- 0.2	- 0.4
Vegetable Products	217.1	204.2	201.7	199.5	- 8.1	- 2.3	- 1.1
Animal Products	300.9	238.5	247.8	245.6	- 18.4	+ 3.0	- 0.9
Textile Products	269.6	246.4	240.3	240.4	- 10.8	- 2.4	+ 0.04
Wood Products	302.4	290.9	288.4	287.6	- 4.9	- 1.1	- 0.3
Iron Products	214.5	218.2	220.6	221.9	+ 3.4	+ 1.7	+ 0.6
Non-ferrous Metals	183.6	170.0	168.2	167.1	- 9.0	- 1.7	- 0.7
Non-metallic Minerals	170.8	173.7	178.9	179.0	+ 4.8	+ 3.1	+ 0.1
Chemical Products	189.7	177.1	176.0	175.3	- 7.6	- 1.0	- 0.4
<u>FARM PRODUCTS</u>	268.8	235.6R	213.6	208.9	- 22.3	- 11.3	- 2.2
Field	198.4	202.0R	157.2	154.0	- 22.4	- 23.8	- 2.0
Animal	339.2	269.1	269.9	263.7	- 22.3	- 2.0	- 2.3

R. Revised. See page 32.

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIESBETWEEN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1953

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>	
	p.c.	p.c.	
Tallow, Toronto	35.7	Potatoes, Montreal	26.9
Lemons, Toronto	25.2	Lamb carcass, choice, Toronto	22.8
Lambskins	22.7	Rice, cleaned	18.4
Lard, Winnipeg	22.0	Onions, Toronto	18.2
Calves, good veal, Winnipeg	8.6	Coca beans, Accra	14.7
Corn, Ontario	7.3	Beef carcass, steer, Toronto	10.5
Salmon, fresh dressed, Vancouver	6.7	Toilet soap	8.6
Wire, annealed, No. 9	6.4	Solder	7.5
Bacon, smoked, Montreal	6.1	Raw sugar, Montreal	6.8
Shellac	6.1	Raw wool, western domestic	6.2
Shortening, Winnipeg	5.9	Grey drill	5.4
Eggs, Grade A, large, Winnipeg	5.6	Fir dimension, 2" x 4"	4.6
Wrapping paper	5.4	Zinc, Grade A, electrolytic	4.5
Wire nails	4.5	Coffee, green, Santos	3.8
Caustic soda	3.5	Granulated sugar	1.9

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.
	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	116.5	116.1	115.7	116.2	- 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Food	120.5	115.8	112.8	114.0	- 5.4	- 1.6	+ 1.1
Shelter	117.2	121.2	124.1	124.2	+ 6.0	+ 2.5	+ 0.1
Clothing	111.9	110.9	110.4	110.4	- 1.3	- 0.5	-
Household Operation	115.5	116.0	117.2	117.4	+ 1.6	+ 1.2	+ 0.2
Other Commodities and Services	113.6	115.8	115.8	115.9	+ 2.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.1

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1953

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>
	p.c.	p.c.
Lard	20.4	Fresh tomatoes 30.2
Bacon	9.9	Eating apples 20.2
Smoked ham	3.8	Potatoes 16.0
Magazines	3.3	Celery 15.8
Picnic shoulder	2.2	Carrots 14.4
Pork, shoulder roast	1.9	Onions 10.5
Eggs	1.6	Cabbage 9.1
Dry cleaning	1.6	Lamb, leg roast 8.0
Brake relining	1.4	Lettuce 7.8
Automobile body repairs	1.4	Turnips 7.4

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.
	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>
<u>Total Investors' Index</u>	179.8	171.6	161.2	152.9	-15.0	-10.9	- 5.1
<u>Total Industrials</u>	185.4	174.3	161.6	152.2	-17.9	-12.7	- 5.8
Machinery & Equipment	445.4	434.7	396.9	375.2	-15.8	-13.7	- 5.5
Pulp & Paper	609.8	499.1	518.9	509.2	-16.5	+ 2.0	- 1.9
Milling	124.0	145.4	136.4	132.8	+ 7.1	- 8.7	- 2.6
Oils	156.6	146.6	131.3	120.8	-22.9	-17.6	- 8.0
Textiles & Clothing	371.6	286.8	211.5	199.4	-46.3	-30.5	- 5.7
Foods	119.7	109.7	125.7	123.2	+ 2.9	+12.3	- 2.0
Beverages	436.5	363.8	411.4	397.8	- 8.9	+ 9.3	- 3.3
Building Materials	308.8	290.7	283.8	269.4	-12.8	- 7.3	- 5.1
Industrial Mines	135.4	141.2	117.7	109.2	-19.4	-22.7	- 7.2
<u>Total Utilities</u>	172.3	166.5	154.6	148.1	-14.0	-11.1	- 4.2
Transportation	368.8	367.4	281.8	261.5	-29.1	-28.8	- 7.2
Telephone & Telegraph	100.8	95.0	99.3	95.0	- 5.8	6	- 4.3
Power and Traction	147.6	139.6	142.9	141.5	- 4.1	+ 1.4	- 1.0
Banks	140.2	155.2	171.7	171.6	+22.4	+10.6	- 0.1
<u>Mining Stocks</u>							
General Index	104.0	106.6	90.7	85.0	-18.3	-20.3	- 6.3
Golds	73.7	74.4	67.5	62.5	-15.2	-16.0	- 7.4
Base Metals	173.6	180.2	144.0	136.3	-21.5	-24.4	- 5.3

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

Date	General Wholesale Price Index	Raw and Partly Manu- factured	Fully and Chiefly Manu- factured	Indus- trial 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	219.9	277.5	248.7
1952 July	225.4	218.2	229.8	247.8	230.2	276.8	253.5
Aug.	223.7	216.2	228.5	245.4	215.4	277.2	246.3
Sept.	221.9	212.4	227.6	241.7	202.0	269.1	235.6
Oct.	220.2	209.7	227.4	239.7	199.9	263.0	231.4
Nov.	221.5	210.5	228.2	241.2	199.3	266.5	232.9
Dec.	221.1	210.0	227.8	241.2	196.6	268.3	232.4
1953 Jan.	221.5	209.4	229.0	240.2	193.6	266.4	230.0
Feb.	220.9	207.9	228.8	237.9	189.3	263.1	226.2
Mar.	221.9	209.8	229.2	237.0	184.4	264.3	224.4
Apr.	219.6	205.7	227.9	231.9	180.2	256.0	218.1
May	220.1	206.3	228.3	233.2	177.8	263.2	220.5
June	221.7	207.2	230.4	234.0	177.1	268.8	222.9
July	221.2	207.2	229.6	231.7	180.3	265.3	222.8
Aug.	222.4	210.0	230.1	231.4	157.2	269.9	213.6
Sept.	221.5	207.0	230.2	228.8	154.0	263.7	208.9

(1) See Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21 for Canadian Farm Products Indexes, August 1945-July 1952. Indexes subsequent to July 1952 are subject to revision. Indexes for the crop year August 1952 - July 1953 are revised in this issue to incorporate the 12-cent increase in payments for western wheat which was announced in September 1953.

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	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
	Aug.	222.4	201.7	211.0	203.7	205.3	188.0	147.3	175.2	149.0
	Sept.	221.5	199.5	208.6	203.6	207.2	188.0	155.9	175.2	151.2

- 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	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
	Aug.	279.9	175.1	162.2	365.1	167.9	159.1	177.0	171.7
	Sept.	278.3	175.0	156.9	353.5	137.0	138.9	177.0	171.7

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, 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 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
Aug.	247.8	258.9	98.8	157.9	212.5	205.5	296.6	317.9
Sept.	245.6	259.4	98.8	160.2	212.5	205.5	285.0	302.3

- 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 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
Aug.	298.4	313.0	278.2	198.8	221.4	222.2	148.3	223.1
Sept.	283.0	296.1	289.7	198.8	223.9	227.5	176.5	225.1

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 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
Aug. ...	240.3	282.0	243.0	245.4	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
Sept. ...	240.4	279.7	242.2	244.9	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 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
Aug. ...	176.9	258.8	258.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	268.2	224.9
Sept. ...	176.9	251.4	254.5	234.0	234.8	252.5	268.2	224.9

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

- 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- ping 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 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
Aug.	288.4	418.0	404.8	329.8	392.6	491.5	384.9	204.0	287.9	215.9
Sept.	287.6	414.7	403.0	329.8	386.9	485.5	382.4	203.4	287.0	227.6

- 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 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
Aug.	220.6	260.1	209.6	238.3	222.6	245.5	288.1	223.0
Sept.	221.9	260.1	209.6	238.3	227.6	256.5	288.1	223.0

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

- 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 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	228.3	274.4	234.1	223.2
Mar. ...	174.7	175.6	309.0	274.2	216.5	228.8	268.1	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
Aug. ...	168.2	175.6	280.2	276.6	217.6	150.2	256.4	191.1	222.1
Sept. ...	167.1	175.6	279.3	271.2	216.8	153.8	245.4	176.8	222.2

- 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
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
Aug. ...	178.9	221.5	146.8	177.8	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Sept. ...	179.0	221.5	146.8	178.1	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8

(1) Includes Gold.

(2) Excludes Gold.

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

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued

Date	Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gasoline	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 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
Aug.	170.7	171.0	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	282.4	201.6
Sept.	170.7	171.1	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	282.4	201.0

- 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 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
Aug.	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Sept.	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	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
1952 Average ...	180.1	136.8	209.3	187.5	184.7	258.8
1952 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
Aug.	176.0	140.0	212.9	191.6	174.8	288.8
Sept.	175.3	140.4	212.9	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 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
Aug.	139.5	189.1	166.4	129.4	191.1
Sept.	139.5	189.1	166.4	128.8	186.4

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
1952											
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
1953											
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
Aug.	124.4	283.6	151.7	207.4	412.6	127.7	219.7	204.4	210.5	210.0	228.8
Sept.	123.2	281.0	151.7	207.4	409.1	127.7	219.7	205.2	203.4	210.0	230.4

* 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
Aug.	124.5	119.4	126.5	117.0	128.2	120.6	119.7
Sept.	123.8	120.5	126.5	117.0	126.8	116.6	119.7
		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
Aug.		134.7	128.2	109.2	132.6	124.9	103.2
Sept.		134.8	131.0	109.2	132.6	125.0	103.2

TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.
		Average 1952	1952	1953	1953
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern Domestic 2/	bu.	1.822	1.788	2.012	2.001
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.879	.848	.754	.735
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.273	1.319	1.129	1.046
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.881	1.726	1.044	1.034
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bbl.	11.142	11.300	12.340	12.400
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal 3/	cwt.	8.744	8.312	7.648	7.505
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.800	1.720	1.200	1.200
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.637	.645	.738	.710
POTATOES No. 1, Saint John	75 lb. bag	4.063	3.188	1.431	1.130
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	25.771	24.610	19.750	19.120
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	25.802	25.600	34.800	33.760
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.182	.180	.175	.180
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.762	.740	.720	.720
LEATHER, Box Sides. D, f.o.b. Ontario factory	sq. ft.	.382	.370	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal ...	lb.	.624	.582	.580	.598
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.542	.653	.764	.784
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.389	.382	.334	.332
COTTON YARNS, 10's white	lb.	.793	.780	.690	.690
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ..	lb.	.483	.450	.510	.500
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Canadian Mill (Southern Quebec)	ton	105.462	107.188	110.224	109.875
PIG IRON, Malleable	gr. ton	56.125	55.500	58.000	58.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic	cwt.	28.533	29.500	29.647	29.533
LEAD, Domestic	cwt.	16.128	15.400	13.250	12.988
TIN INGOTS	lb.	1.210	1.185	.800	.820
ZINC, Domestic, Grade "A", Electrolytic	cwt.	17.370	14.876	11.850	11.314
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.790	19.600	21.010	21.220
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.222	.222	.231	.231
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb. sq.	8.450	8.450	8.450	8.450
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume	ton	24.000	24.000	26.350	26.350

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

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

3/ 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>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
	August	1	115.7	112.8	124.1	110.4	117.2	115.8
	September	1	116.2	114.0	124.2	110.4	117.4	115.9

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>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
Aug. 1	84.9	186.4	229.5	153.3	153.6	206.7	195.9	150.0	210.1
Sept. 1	84.8	186.3	228.6	153.4	153.9	207.0	196.0	150.2	209.8

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 September 1953 index, inclusive of all such taxes is 187.1.

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

(1949 = 100)

	1950	1951	1952	June 1953	July 1953	Aug. 1953	Sept. 1953
<u>Total Index</u>	102.9	113.7	116.5	114.9	115.4	115.7	116.2
<u>Food</u>	102.6	117.0	116.8	111.4	112.7	112.8	114.0
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	99.7	108.6	113.3	111.5	111.3	111.2	111.3
Cereal Products	103.4	113.0	117.4	118.3	120.1	120.6	121.1
Meats, Fish and Poultry	106.5	127.9	115.5	106.1	105.8	106.5	109.3
<u>Shelter</u>	106.2	114.4	120.2	123.6	123.9	124.1	124.2
Rent	108.2	114.5	120.9	125.5	125.9	126.2	126.3
Home-Ownership	103.6	114.4	119.3	121.0	121.3	121.4	121.5
<u>Clothing</u>	99.7	109.8	111.8	110.1	110.3	110.4	110.4
Men's Wear	99.2	111.6	115.2	113.3	113.4	113.6	113.8
Women's Wear	99.0	105.6	104.8	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.1
Children's Wear	101.6	108.6	111.5	108.6	108.6	108.6	108.6
Footwear	100.8	116.6	127.2	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.6
Piece Goods	103.0	119.8	107.4	104.4	106.7	107.7	107.6
<u>Household Operation</u>	102.4	113.1	116.2	116.6	117.0	117.2	117.4
Fuel and Lighting	103.8	109.9	113.4	114.6	115.3	116.1	116.2
Home Furnishings	101.5	115.5	117.6	116.7	116.8	116.8	116.8
Furniture	101.6	112.9	115.6	117.3	117.6	117.6	117.7
Utensils and Equipment	101.0	113.2	118.9	121.2	121.8	122.0	121.6
Supplies and Services	102.4	112.7	116.8	118.4	118.8	118.9	119.2
Supplies	100.3	112.2	112.4	113.3	113.2	113.4	113.4
Services	103.8	113.0	119.7	121.9	122.7	122.7	123.1
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	103.1	111.5	116.0	115.1	115.2	115.8	115.9
Transportation	105.4	113.0	117.4	118.8	118.8	119.6	119.9
Automobile Operation	103.8	112.9	114.9	114.1	114.1	115.3	115.4
Recreation	102.0	109.7	115.7	115.5	116.1	116.1	116.3
Health Care	102.2	110.3	118.8	121.5	121.6	123.0	123.0
Drugs	101.5	107.4	107.9	108.7	108.9	108.9	108.9
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	102.7	111.5	113.3	107.1	107.1	107.2	107.2
Personal Care	100.9	112.5	115.5	116.1	115.9	115.9	115.9
Personal Supplies	99.1	110.6	112.7	111.7	111.4	111.4	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
<u>1950</u>		118.8	117.6	99.3	94.1	101.4	96.3	93.4	107.7
<u>1951</u>		151.3	143.5	114.8	95.4	106.3	113.3	104.9	128.5
<u>1952</u>		133.5	132.7	99.0	78.4	107.4	100.8	102.4	115.3
<u>1952</u>	Sept. 1	126.3	134.1	99.8	73.1	105.4	97.6	96.4	113.0
	Oct. 1	119.7	123.1	102.3	73.9	100.6	97.1	97.8	113.0
	Nov. 1	114.8	114.6	102.3	76.7	98.6	97.3	102.5	113.0
<u>1953</u>	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
	Aug. 1	102.3	113.9	120.3	107.4	96.1	112.0	96.9	118.5
	Sept. 1	100.9	113.8	119.9	118.0	95.7	106.5	97.2	118.5

		Short- ening	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	108.8
<u>1951</u>		112.4	116.5	105.5	109.6	107.2	99.9	105.7	124.7
<u>1952</u>		92.3	96.0	104.4	105.3	116.9	196.9	103.2	137.1
<u>1952</u>	Sept. 1	88.0	112.5	103.1	97.2	118.3	190.6	51.8	114.6
	Oct. 1	87.7	114.8	102.6	105.1	119.5	157.3	56.0	109.3
	Nov. 1	87.7	123.2	101.6	110.8	119.5	160.5	98.4	110.6
<u>1953</u>	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
	Aug. 1	87.7	128.6	97.2	93.2	120.1	111.4	73.6	147.9
	Sept. 1	88.0	130.7	96.8	89.5	120.1	93.6	51.3	126.6

		Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Gran- ulated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
<u>1950</u>		102.9	99.1	104.6	104.8	114.4	104.4	101.6	144.8
<u>1951</u>		110.0	111.1	115.5	106.9	129.8	114.0	104.2	163.2
<u>1952</u>		118.4	115.9	119.3	105.9	121.0	110.6	104.9	163.0
<u>1952</u>	Sept. 1	118.5	115.1	119.7	104.7	114.9	107.8	104.7	161.4
	Oct. 1	118.5	114.4	118.7	104.7	112.7	106.9	104.5	161.1
	Nov. 1	118.5	113.7	117.7	104.7	112.7	106.5	104.3	161.4
<u>1953</u>	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
	Aug. 1	118.5	112.4	123.8	111.9	106.2	104.4	97.1	164.3
	Sept. 1	118.5	111.7	124.8	111.9	106.2	105.6	97.3	165.7

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 Nfld(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
<u>1951</u> 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
<u>1953</u> 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
Aug. 1	102.9	175.6	183.8	191.8	183.7	178.6	185.5	179.8	188.0
Sept. 1	102.8	175.0	182.9	191.0	183.9	178.1	184.9	179.6	188.2

- (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
Food Index											
1952	July	2	(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
	Aug.	1	101.8	222.4	225.2	245.8	218.5	230.5	242.1	237.2	233.5
	Sept.	1	101.4	220.5	221.5	243.3	218.7	228.2	240.0	236.1	233.9
Rent Index											
1952	July	2	(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
	Aug.	1	107.3	128.5	132.8	155.7	162.8	137.5	136.8	129.7	140.0
	Sept.	1	107.3	128.5	134.5	155.7	162.8	137.7	136.8	130.1	140.1
Fuel and Light- ing Index											
1952	July	2	(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
	Aug.	1	107.8	155.8	152.8	144.1	178.5	134.9	162.2	124.3	174.3
	Sept.	1	108.1	155.8	152.8	144.5	178.5	135.0	162.2	124.3	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>	July	2	(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
	Aug.	1	101.9	222.1	229.3	194.7	207.3	203.3	217.9	213.7	217.2
	Sept.	1	101.9	222.3	229.3	194.7	207.8	204.2	218.0	213.7	217.4
Homefurnishings and Services Index											
<u>1952</u>	July	2	(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
	Aug.	1	101.2	188.6	189.4	203.0	189.0	196.7	204.2	191.5	195.3
	Sept.	1	101.1	187.9	189.6	203.6	189.0	196.7	204.1	191.7	195.0
Miscellaneous Index											
<u>1952</u>	July	2	(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
	Aug.	1	101.4	140.2	152.5	144.8	149.2	142.1	134.1	145.8	154.3
	Sept.	1	101.5	140.3	152.5	144.9	149.2	142.2	134.3	145.9	154.4

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 - 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	49.32	135.9	118.2	114.9
July 1	56.25	48.74	134.9	116.9	115.4
Aug. 1	55.76 (p)	48.19 (p)	133.7 (p)	115.5 (p)	115.7

(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 Wage Rates	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 - 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	229.0
1953 - January	231.7	207.7	161.4	408.0	202.6	220.1
April	241.3	208.2	161.4	463.5	203.4	226.1
August	242.1	206.3	161.4	475.8	204.9	227.2
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 - 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
August	242.8	205.2	152.4	447.1	202.4	226.6
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 - 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	228.9
1953 - January	225.0	206.5	169.0	400.4	204.8	216.9
April	240.5	208.1	169.0	505.4	205.3 R	226.4
August	241.5	207.3	169.0	516.6	207.4	227.9

(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
Aug. ...	161.2	161.6	396.9	518.9	136.4	131.3	211.5	125.7	411.4	283.8
Sept. ...	152.9	152.2	375.2	509.2	132.8	120.8	199.4	123.2	397.8	269.4
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Sept. 3	155.9	155.5	386.8	515.7	133.9	124.6	204.9	124.9	400.8	271.4
Sept. 10	155.7	155.1	378.8	514.9	133.6	123.9	203.2	124.8	404.5	274.2
Sept. 17	150.8	149.9	368.7	506.0	132.7	118.8	197.0	121.1	395.9	267.0
Sept. 24	149.2	148.2	366.4	500.3	131.2	116.0	192.4	122.0	390.0	265.2

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES - Concluded

(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX						MINING INDEX (1)			
	Indus- trial Mines (2)	Total Utili- ties (14)	Trans- porta- tion (2)	Tele- phone Tele- graph (2)	Power and Traction (10)	Banks (8)	Mining Total (27)	Gold's (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	
<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>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>1953</u>	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
	Aug. .	117.7	154.6	281.8	99.3	142.9	171.7	90.7	67.5	144.0
	Sept..	109.2	148.1	261.5	95.0	141.5	171.6	85.0	62.5	136.3
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
	Sept. 3	111.7	151.2	265.5	98.5	142.9	171.4	86.8	64.7	137.5
	Sept.10	111.9	151.3	268.6	97.5	143.2	172.7	87.5	64.6	140.0
	Sept.17	106.8	145.6	255.8	93.4	139.7	172.1	83.0	60.8	133.8
	Sept.24	106.6	144.4	256.2	90.6	140.3	170.0	82.5	60.0	133.9

(1) Mining Stocks are not included in Investor's 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	161.0 R
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	163.6 R
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	162.9 R
June	161.6	155.8	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7	163.0 R
July	157.5	155.4	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8	163.8 R
August	157.9	153.5	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6	164.3 R
September	151.4	153.6	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4	162.0
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	187.3
September	125.4	123.1	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2	179.2
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	121.0
September	84.9	84.0	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6	121.5
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	

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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	September Average	July Average	August Average	September Average
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
United States	dollar	1.0528	.9789	.9598	.9918	.9883	.9843
United Kingdom	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.6711	2.7929	2.7825	2.7594
Argentina	peso (free)	.07491	.07010	.06905	.07139	.07113	.07085
Australia	pound	2.3576	2.1872	2.1369	2.2343	2.2258	2.2075
Belgium (1)	franc	.02095	.01947	.01913	.01986	.01978	.01974
Brazil	cruzeiro	.05706	.05291	.05187	.05361	.05341	.05320
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.6141	.5696	.5565	.5818	.5796	.5749
Ceylon	rupee	.2211	.2056	.2016	.2095	.2087	.2070
Chile	peso (free)	.01521	.00908	.00757	.00902	.00898	.00895
Colombia	peso (basic)	.4515	.3916	.3839	.3967	.3953	.3937
Cuba	peso	1.0528	.9789	.9598	.9918	.9882	.9842
Denmark	krone	.1525	.1417	.1390	.1436	.1431	.1425
Egypt	pound	3.0232	2.8111	2.7560	2.8481	2.8377	2.8264
France and North Africa	franc	.00300	.00280	.00274	.00283	.00282	.00281
Germany	deutsche mark	.2507	.2331	.2285	.2362	.2353	.2343
Hong Kong	dollar	.1829	.1709	.1670	.1746	.1739	.1725
India	rupee	.2211	.2056	.2020	.2095	.2087	.2070
Ireland	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.6711	2.7929	2.7825	2.7594
Italy	lira	.00169	.00157	.00154	.00159	.00159	.00158
Jamaica	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.6711	2.7929	2.7825	2.7594
Japan	yen	-	.00272	.00267	.00276	.00275	.00273
Lebanon	pound (free)	-	.2734	-	.2940	.2962	.3003
Mexico	peso	.1218	.1132	.1110	.1147	.1142	.1138
Netherlands	guilder	.2770	.2576	.2526	.2610	.2601	.2590
New Zealand	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.6711	2.7929	2.7825	2.7594
Norway	krone	.1474	.1371	.1344	.1388	.1384	.1378
Pakistan	rupee	.3182	.2959	.2901	.2998	.2987	.2975
Peru	sol-certificate	.07001	.06346	.06277	.06127	.06006	.05648
Philippines	peso	.5264	.4895	.4799	.4959	.4941	.4921
Portugal	escudo	.03652	.03412	.03348	.03461	.03449	.03434
Singapore	dollar	.3440	.3190	.3116	.3258	.3246	.3219
Sweden	krona	.2035	.1892	.1855	.1917	.1910	.1902
Switzerland	franc	.2429	.2266	.2239	.2315	.2306	.2297
Turkey	lira	.3753	.3496	.3428	.3542	.3529	.3515
Union of South Africa	pound	2.9469	2.7340	2.6711	2.7929	2.7825	2.7594
Venezuela	bolivar	.3143	.2922	.2865	.2961	.2950	.2938
Yugoslavia	dinar	-	.00326	.00320	.00331	.00329	.00328

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	1953					
				April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
<u>COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	182.9	255.0(f)			258.6			
Canada	1949(a)	63.2	116.5	114.6	114.4	114.9	115.4	115.7	116.2
Denmark	1935	109	218	219			219		
France (Paris)	1949		145.4	144.7	145.5	145.4	143.7	143.1	141.0
India (Bombay)	1933 - 1934	106	337	359	363				
Italy (Rome)	1938	105(d)	4,932	5,148	5,168	5,175			
Malaya	January 1949 (e)		138	135	133				
Mexico	1939	100.0	455.7						
Netherlands	1949		120	120	121	121	121		
New Zealand	1st. qtr. 1949	74.8	127.5			132.2			
Norway	1949	63.8	132.9	135	135	135	135	136	
South Africa	1938	99.9	185.8	189.9	190.7	193.6	192.7	195.8	
Sweden	1935	107.5	223.0	224.2	224.4	224.1			
Switzerland	August, 1939		171.0	168.8	169.5	169.7	169.5		
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952		102.6	106.4	106.0	106.6	105.9		
United States	1947 - 49 (b)	59.4	113.5	113.7	114.0	114.5	114.7	115.0	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	101.1	299(f)	321	319				
Canada	1935 - 1939	99.3	226.0	219.6	220.1	221.7	221.2	222.4	221.5
Denmark	1935	118	364	345	343	342	341		
France	1949		144.9	139.0	139.3	138.6	137.3	137.3	137.0
India	Sept. '38-Aug. '39		434.6(g)	384.9(c)	399.4(c)	405.4			
Italy	1938		5,270	5,234	5,250	5,259	5,254		
Mexico	1929	127.0	493.7						
Netherlands	1948		140	134	135	134			
New Zealand	1926 - 1930	107.1	257.2	252.8	253.6	254.1			
Norway	1938	102	276.3	276	276	276	276		
South Africa	1938(h)	97.6	259.0	257.2	258.9				
Sweden	1935	115	317	300	299	299	298		
Switzerland	August, 1939		220.5	212.3	214.0	213.2	212.8		
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	327.9	332.9	330.7	330.0	329.3	326.7	
United States	1947-49(b)	50.1	111.6	109.4	109.8	109.5	110.9	110.6	

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 1952 to June 1953.

(g) Average from September 1951 to August 1952.

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

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price SeriesAppearing in this BulletinWHOLESALE PRICE INDEXESGeneral 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 per bushel of \$1.40 for the crop year beginning August 1, 1952 was increased to \$1.60, as announced in February 1953 and to \$1.72, as announced in September 1953. The initial payment for the current crop year is \$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 with participation payments included whenever they are announced. An increase in the initial payments for barley for the crop year 1952-53 was announced February 19, 1953. Commencing with the crop year August 1, 1953 the initial payment for barley was reduced to levels obtaining at the beginning of the 1952-53 crop year.

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 Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index (1949 = 100)

A second special purpose price index related to the construction industry titled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index" is shown in Table 7. 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. 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 by months from January 1949 to July 1953 and these indexes are also contained in the above mentioned publication.

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 Oct. 23, 1952 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, 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 two 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.

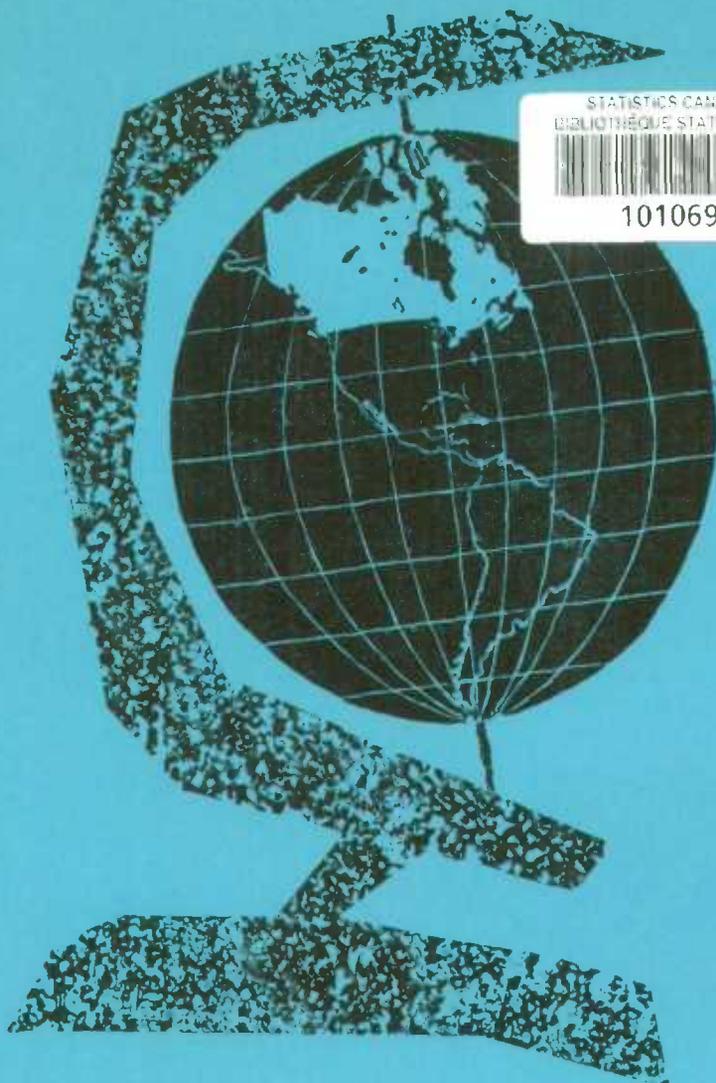
Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers

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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