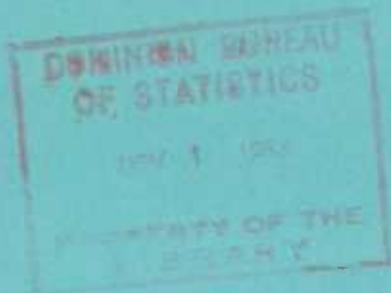


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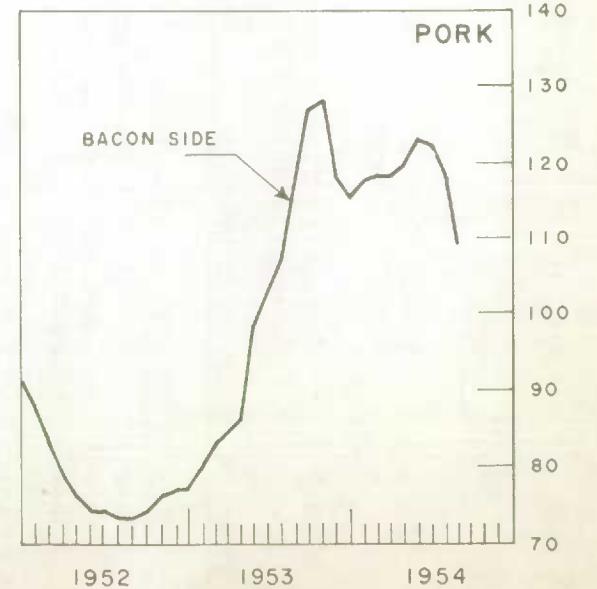
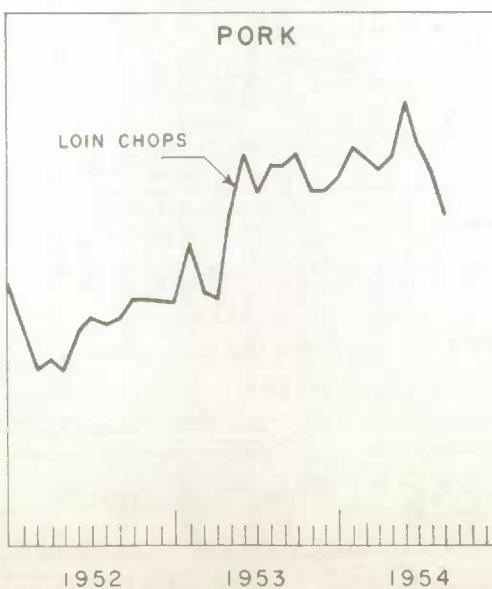
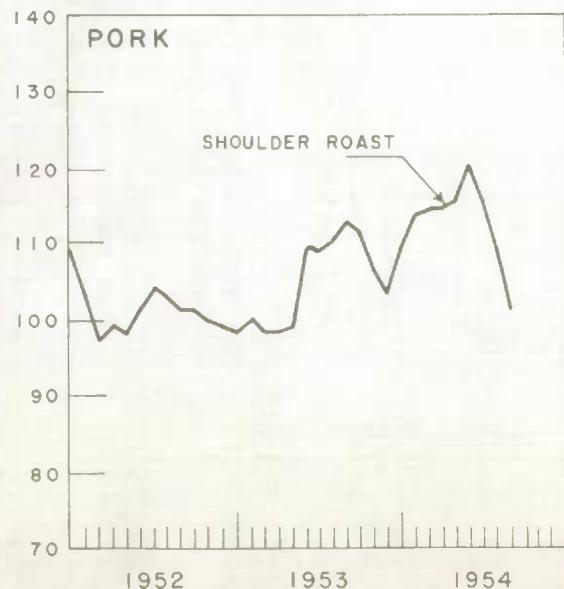
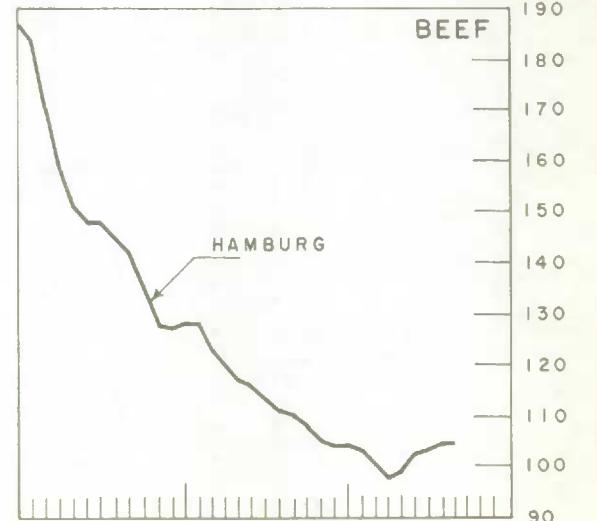
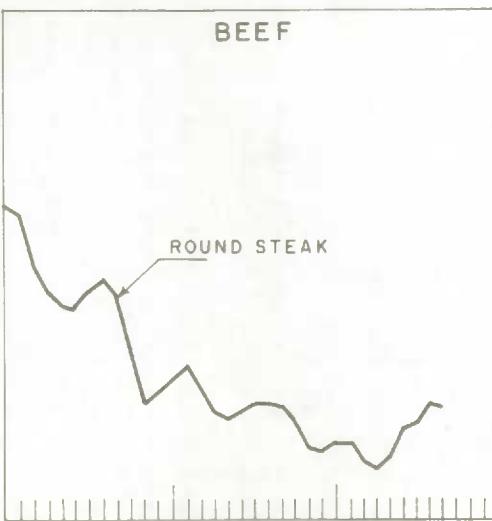
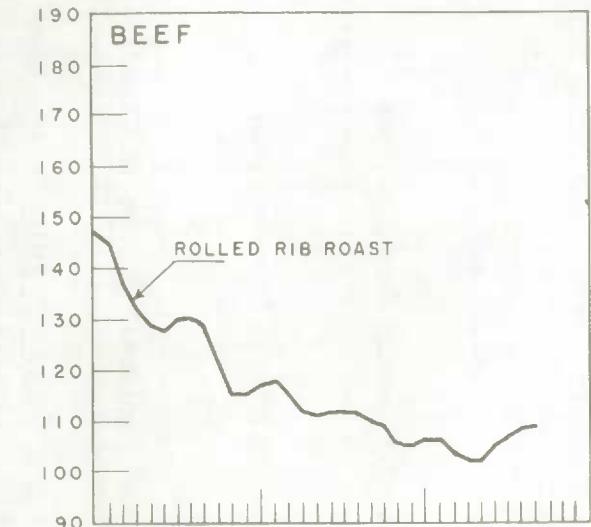
# CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

PRICE RELATIVES OF SELECTED BEEF AND PORK CUTS

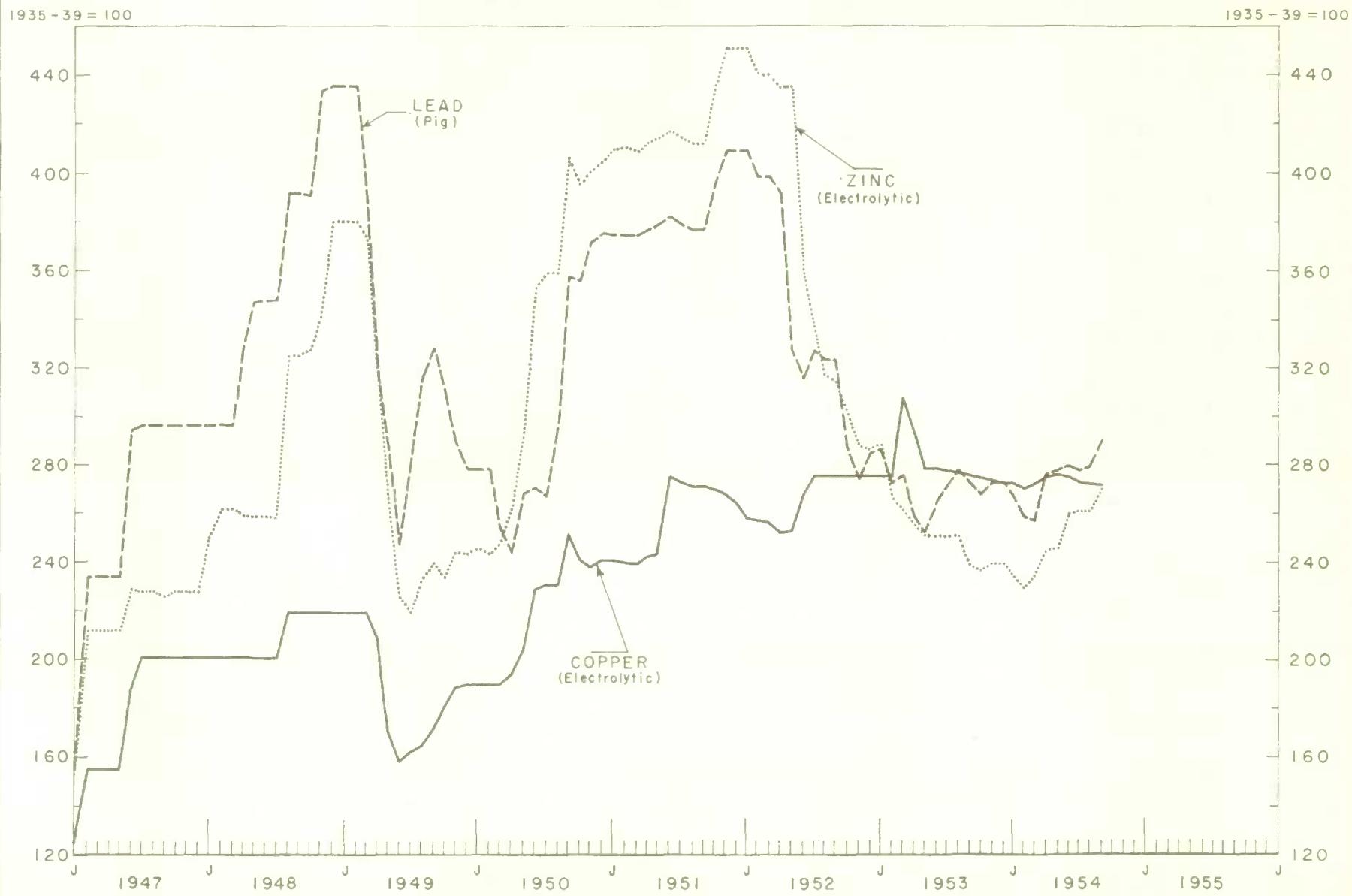
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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES  
PRICE RELATIVES OF COPPER, LEAD AND ZINC  
MONTHLY, JANUARY 1947 - SEPTEMBER 1954



### NOTES ON PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

#### THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1949 = 100)

The Consumer Price Index declined 0.2 per cent from 117.0 to 116.8 between August 2 and September 1. Foods moved down 0.5 per cent from 114.4 to 113.8 as decreases were reported for a range of items, notably coffee, pork, lamb and practically all fresh fruits and vegetables. Butter, eggs and a number of canned foods were slightly higher. Advances in rents and homeownership resulted in a rise of 0.2 per cent in the shelter index, from 127.0 to 127.2. Price decreases for men's hats, work socks, overalls, and slacks and women's hosiery were principally responsible for a decline of 0.1 per cent in clothing from 109.6 to 109.5. Household operation was unchanged at 117.2 as increases for dishes, glassware, wool blankets, coal and shoe repairs offset decreases for several items of furniture, electric stoves and refrigerators, saucepans, paper goods and laundry services. The index for other commodities and services moved from 117.7 to 117.6 following scattered decreases in automobile operation which outweighed slight advances in radios and local transportation fares.

#### WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-1939 = 100)

The General Wholesale Price Index receded 0.2 per cent, from 215.8 to 215.3, between August and September, mainly reflecting a decline in Vegetable Products. Of the remaining groups Animal Products and Textiles decreased fractionally while four other groups increased and Chemicals remained unchanged. Vegetable Products dropped 1.5 per cent, from 197.1 to 194.2, responding to price declines in coffee, cocoa, potatoes, onions, vegetable oils, livestock feeds, imported fresh fruits, canned fruits and dried fruits, which outweighed increases in grains, milled cereal foods and raw rubber. In the Animal Products group, weakness in hogs, lambs, fresh meats, cured meats, hides, furs and leather overbalanced strength in fishery products, eggs, lard, tallow and butter, netting an index decline of 0.3 per cent from 229.7 to 228.9. Textile Products eased 0.3 per cent, from 230.8 to 230.1, reflecting lower prices for worsted yarns, worsted and woollen cloth, raw wool, both domestic and imported, cotton fabrics and cotton yarns. Raw cotton was the only sub-group to move higher. Price increases in fir lumber, cedar lumber and cedar shingles contributed mainly to an increase of 0.5 per cent in the Wood, Wood Products and Paper group which moved from 287.6 to 289.0. An increase of 0.5 per cent in Non-ferrous Metals, from 167.3 to 168.1, was due to higher prices for pig lead and electrolytic zinc. In the Iron and Steel group, higher prices for steel plates and steel sheets accounted for a gain of 0.3 per cent in the index which moved from 211.5 to 212.2. Lime, plaster and sulphur were responsible for an increase of 0.1 per cent, from 175.8 to 175.9, in the Non-metallic Minerals group. The Chemical Products group remained unchanged at 176.7 as increases in tartaric acid, industrial gases and lead compounds used in paint materials balanced decreases in zinc oxide and superphosphate.

The index of Canadian Farm Products prices at terminal markets declined 1.8 per cent, from 207.9 to 204.1, as both Field and Animal Products declined. Field Products moved down 3.0 per cent from 167.6 to 162.6 when lower potato prices in both the east and west proved more important than advances in all eastern grains and western flax and rye. Animal Products receded 1.1 per cent, from 248.2 to 245.5, influenced by lower prices for hogs, lambs, raw wool and eggs in Western Canada which outweighed advances in eastern eggs and cheese milk.

The price index of Residential Building Materials moved up 0.2 per cent, from 278.0 to 278.6. Responsible for the increase were plumbing fixtures, cedar shingles, metal weather stripping and fir timber. Non-residential Building Materials (1949 = 100) also advanced 0.2 per cent, from 120.2 to 120.4, as increases occurred in plumbing fixtures, steel sheets, brick, plaster of paris, turpentine and linseed oil.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES  
(1935-1939 = 100)

Common stock prices registered a firmer tone in September as selected groups moved higher. The composite index changed from 187.0 to 189.5 between August and September mainly reflecting an advance in the industrials series from 187.9 to 191.4. The index for 12 utilities moved from 170.2 to 170.4 in the same interval while the bank group index declined from 217.3 to 215.0.

In the industrials section sub-group indexes were firmer for pulp and paper issues, milling, oils, food and allied products, beverages and industrial mines while power and traction issues were stronger in the utilities section. Lower indexes were registered for machinery and equipment, textiles and clothing and building materials in the industrials group and for transportation and communication issues in the utilities group.

Mining stocks, reflecting firmness for both golds and base metals, advanced from a level of 95.6 for August to 96.4 for September. In the same period golds increased from 67.8 to 68.3 and base metals from 159.2 to 160.8.

Preferred stocks were slightly firmer in September also as the composite index moved up from 173.0 for August to 173.4 for the month under review.

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

Note: 1954 Wholesale Price Indexes are subject to revision.

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	<u>Sept. 1952</u>	<u>Sept. 1953</u>	<u>Aug. 1954</u>	<u>Sept. 1954</u>	<u>Sept. 1952</u>	<u>Sept. 1953</u>	<u>Aug. 1954</u>
<b>GENERAL INDEX</b>	221.9	221.2	215.8	215.3	- 3.0	-2.7	-0.2
Vegetable Products	204.2	199.6	197.1	194.2	- 4.9	-2.7	-1.5
Animal Products	238.5	245.6	229.7	228.9	- 4.0	-6.8	-0.3
Textile Products	246.4	237.9	230.8	230.1	- 6.6	-3.3	-0.3
Wood Products	290.9	287.6	287.6	289.0	- 0.7	+0.5	+0.5
Iron Products	218.2	221.9	211.5	212.2	- 2.7	-4.4	+0.3
Non-ferrous Metals	170.0	167.1	167.3	168.1	- 1.1	+0.6	+0.5
Non-metallic Minerals	173.7	179.0	175.8	175.9	+ 1.3	-1.7	+0.1
Chemical Products	177.1	175.3	176.7	176.7	- 0.2	+0.8	-
<b>FARM PRODUCTS</b>	239.3	208.9	207.9	204.1	-14.7	-2.3	-1.8
Field	209.4	154.0	167.6	162.6	-22.3	+5.6	-3.0
Animal	269.1	263.7	248.2	245.5	- 8.8	-6.9	-1.1

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIESBETWEEN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1954

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>	
	p.c.	p.c.	
Rye, No. 2 C.W.	27.2	Onions, Toronto	35.8
Canned salmon, pinks	20.3	Sheep skins, pickled	30.0
Lard, Winnipeg	18.8	Potatoes, Winnipeg	28.8
Eggs, Grade "A" large, Montreal	12.4	Cocoa beans, green, Lagos	24.9
Calves, Winnipeg	11.0	Coffee beans, green, Santos	16.2
Veal carcass, Montreal	10.8	Lamb carcass, Toronto	13.5
Oats, No. 2 C.W.	10.7	Beef hides, butcher and country cured	13.3
Corn meal	10.2	Bananas, Toronto	9.5
Tartaric acid	9.1	Hogs, Winnipeg	8.4
Fir flooring	8.2	Gluten feed	8.2
Plaster, fine gauging	6.8	Beef carcass, steer, Vancouver	8.1
Linseed oil, raw	6.7	Bacon, Vancouver	7.6
Rolled oats	6.0	Lambs, Toronto	7.5
Quicklime, grey, Ontario	5.6	Ham, Winnipeg	6.9
Bananas, Montreal	5.5	Superphosphate	6.1

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Sept. 1952	Sept. 1953	Aug. 1954	Sept. 1954	Sept. 1952	Sept. 1953	Sept. 1954
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	116.1	116.2	117.0	116.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.5	- 0.2
Food	115.8	114.0	114.4	113.8	- 1.7	- 0.2	- 0.5
Shelter	121.2	124.2	127.0	127.2	+ 5.0	+ 2.4	+ 0.2
Clothing	110.9	110.4	109.6	109.5	- 1.3	- 0.8	- 0.1
Household Operation	116.0	117.4	117.2	117.2	+ 1.0	- 0.2	-
Other Commodities and Services	115.8	115.9	117.7	117.6	+ 1.6	+ 1.5	- 0.1

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1954

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>	
	p.c.	p.c.	
Eggs	2.9	Fresh tomatoes	40.3
Canned salmon	1.7	Turnips	26.7
Canned tomatoes	1.5	Celery	26.3
Oranges	1.3	Potatoes	19.0
Sirloin steak	1.2	Carrots	18.6
Canned peas	1.0	Apples	13.7
Dishes	1.0	Cabbage	11.3
Tea	0.9	Onions	9.4
Strawberry jam	0.8	Lamb, leg roast	8.7
Glass ovenware	0.8	Pork, shoulder roast	8.1

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Sept. 1952	Sept. 1953	Aug. 1954	Sept. 1954	Sept. 1952	Sept. 1953	Sept. 1954
<u>Total Investors' Index</u>	171.6	152.9	187.0	189.5	+ 10.4	+ 23.9	+ 1.3
Total Industrials	174.3	152.2	187.9	191.4	+ 9.8	+ 25.8	+ 1.9
Machinery and Equipment	434.7	375.2	520.8	510.7	+ 17.5	+ 36.1	- 1.9
Pulp and Paper	499.1	509.2	744.3	750.1	+ 50.3	+ 47.3	+ 0.8
Milling	145.4	132.8	145.4	151.9	+ 4.5	+ 14.4	+ 4.5
Oils	146.6	120.8	142.1	145.0	- 1.1	+ 20.0	+ 2.0
Textiles and Clothing	286.8	199.4	161.2	154.1	- 46.3	- 22.7	- 4.4
Foods	109.7	123.2	142.6	144.5	+ 31.7	+ 17.3	+ 1.3
Beverages	363.8	397.8	497.6	509.4	+ 40.0	+ 28.1	+ 2.4
Building Materials	290.7	269.4	348.5	347.6	+ 19.6	+ 29.0	- 0.3
Industrial Mines	141.2	109.2	125.0	133.3	- 5.6	+ 22.1	+ 6.6
Total Utilities	166.5	148.1	170.2	170.4	+ 2.3	+ 15.1	+ 0.1
Transportation	367.4	261.5	296.6	295.0	- 19.7	+ 12.8	- 0.5
Telephone	95.0	95.0	114.6	114.0	+ 20.0	+ 20.0	- 0.5
Power and Traction	139.6	141.5	156.7	159.0	+ 13.9	+ 12.4	+ 1.5
Banks	155.2	171.6	217.3	215.0	+ 38.5	+ 25.3	- 1.1
<u>Mining Stocks</u>							
General Index	106.6	85.0	95.6	96.4	- 9.6	+ 13.4	+ 0.8
Golds	74.4	62.5	67.8	68.3	- 8.2	+ 9.3	+ 0.7
Base Metals	180.2	136.3	159.2	160.8	- 10.8	+ 18.0	+ 1.0

**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	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	223.0	277.5	250.2	
1953 .....	220.7	207.0	228.8	232.3	175.1	263.8	219.5	
1953	Apr. ....	219.5	205.6	227.8	232.9	187.6	255.8	221.7
	May. ....	220.0	206.4	228.2	234.2	185.2	263.2	224.2
	June ....	221.5	207.2	230.2	234.0	184.5	268.7	226.6
	July ....	221.0	207.2	229.3	231.7	187.7	265.3	226.5
	Aug. ....	222.2	210.1	229.7	231.4	157.2	269.9	213.6
	Sept. ...	221.2	207.1	229.8	228.8	154.0	263.7	208.9
	Oct. ....	220.4	205.0	228.8	227.0	151.7	265.3	208.5
	Nov. ....	218.7	203.3	228.0	225.8	151.7	258.0	204.9
	Dec. ....	219.0	204.4	227.6	225.8	151.9	261.6	206.8
1954	Jan. ....	219.8	206.5	227.8	224.1	152.5	266.3	209.4
	Feb. ....	219.0	205.1	227.3	223.6	152.9	264.7	208.8
	Mar. ....	218.6	204.3	226.9	222.8	151.3	262.0	206.7
	Apr. ....	217.9	205.7	225.1	223.9	150.6	260.4	205.5
	May. ....	218.2	207.5	224.5	224.2	151.2	268.0	209.6
	June ....	217.8	206.7	224.5	223.9	151.9	267.3	209.6
	July ....	217.4	207.4	223.6	224.2	166.6	262.1	214.4
	Aug. ....	215.8	204.9	222.3	222.1	167.6	248.2	207.9
	Sept. ...	215.3	202.9	222.6	221.7	162.6	245.5	204.1

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

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

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Date	- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -										
	General Total		Live-								
	Whole-Sale Index	Vege-table Products	Milled Grains	Cereal Cereals	Bakery and Poultry	Fruits, Fresh Fruits, Dried Fruits, Canned					
		Pro-ducts	Foods	Poultry	Feeds						
1953 Average .....	220.7	199.0	201.0	200.3	211.7	182.5	149.8	174.7	145.4		
1953 July .....	221.0	198.8	197.2	206.1	197.8	188.0	155.9	174.6	143.9		
August .....	222.2	201.9	211.0	203.7	205.3	188.0	147.3	175.2	149.0		
Sept. .....	221.2	199.6	208.6	203.6	207.2	188.0	155.9	175.2	151.2		
Oct. .....	220.4	196.8	201.8	201.3	198.9	188.0	145.6	175.5	151.2		
Nov. .....	218.7	196.1	197.6	199.5	187.6	188.0	153.7	175.6	151.2		
Dec. .....	219.0	197.7	196.1	199.2	189.9	188.0	149.5	168.5	149.7		
1954 Jan. .....	219.8	201.3	197.0	198.8	200.2	188.0	151.3	170.3	151.8		
Feb. .....	219.0	200.6	193.1	197.4	219.5	188.0	158.9	173.3	151.8		
Mar. .....	218.6	199.6	189.2	195.4	211.9	188.0	173.3	173.3	154.0		
Apr. .....	217.9	196.0	190.2	147.0	238.3	188.0	170.1	173.8	156.1		
May .....	218.2	196.5	190.2	146.8	219.5	188.0	171.9	173.6	158.2		
June .....	217.8	194.2	183.5	143.7	191.4	188.0	179.1	173.6	158.2		
July .....	217.4	196.6	179.6	143.7	189.5	188.0	187.2	173.6	158.2		
Aug. .....	215.8	197.1	181.5	144.9	193.3	188.0	195.2	169.0	157.5		
Sept. .....	215.3	194.2	184.1	146.3	188.6	188.0	192.4	168.8	155.4		

	- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - Concluded								Canned Vege- tables	Raw Leaf To- bacco
	Vege- table Oils and Pro- ducts	Rubber and Its Pro- ducts	Sugar and Its Pro- ducts	Tea, Coffee and Cocoa	Pota- toes	Onions				
1953 Average .....	297.4	176.8	162.1	356.3	171.8	209.7	181.1		172.7	
1953 July .....	281.0	175.5	163.8	358.2	196.8	252.1	175.5		172.0	
Aug. .....	279.9	175.1	162.2	367.7	167.9	161.2	177.0		171.7	
Sept. .....	278.3	175.0	156.9	355.6	137.0	138.9	177.0		171.7	
Oct. .....	290.4	172.7	154.2	355.2	125.8	124.4	177.0		171.7	
Nov. .....	297.3	172.3	152.5	371.2	122.2	126.2	177.0		171.7	
Dec. .....	293.8	172.5	152.5	401.3	120.2	115.5	169.0		178.3	
1954 Jan. .....	293.6	171.7	152.5	453.8	121.0	123.5	169.0		178.6	
Feb. .....	288.5	171.2	152.5	453.2	123.3	121.0	169.0		178.6	
Mar. .....	275.4	173.4	149.6	470.4	113.6	112.8	166.0		178.6	
Apr. .....	274.8	171.4	151.1	477.2	113.0	120.9	166.0		178.6	
May .....	271.8	171.8	150.8	491.0	118.5	136.8	166.0		181.0	
June .....	268.8	172.5	150.6	497.4	132.4	138.5	166.1		181.0	
July .....	270.7	174.2	148.8	506.6	295.3	144.8	163.2		181.0	
Aug. .....	270.2	173.0	148.5	498.5	290.8	255.5	164.6		181.0	
Sept. .....	264.0	173.5	148.5	461.0	230.6	182.8	164.6		181.0	

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
1953 Average .	241.7	259.4	99.3	154.2	213.1	204.5	288.1	323.5
1953 July ....	243.5	257.9	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	259.6	98.8	160.2	212.5	205.5	285.0	302.3
Oct. ....	246.5	260.9	98.8	147.1	212.5	205.5	283.6	294.0
Nov. ....	239.0	256.9	98.8	148.7	213.2	205.8	276.4	305.1
Dec. ....	239.1	256.4	98.8	141.5	213.2	205.8	285.8	307.7
1954 Jan. ....	245.0	261.1	98.8	132.4	213.2	205.8	295.2	298.8
Feb. ....	243.9	260.6	92.5	128.3	213.2	205.8	292.6	287.4
Mar. ....	242.1	260.4	92.5	123.5	213.2	204.8	289.6	288.9
Apr. ....	240.9	263.6	90.3	119.4	206.9	204.8	292.5	297.9
May ....	244.5	256.6	93.7	124.5	209.0	204.3	305.0	316.9
June ....	245.0	248.9	93.7	120.4	209.0	203.6	303.6	317.5
July ....	239.9	250.4	92.5	122.3	209.0	203.6	293.0	333.5
Aug. ....	229.7	250.9	92.5	113.0	209.0	203.6	271.6	329.9
Sept. ....	228.9	265.6	84.2	97.8	207.6	203.6	266.7	332.6

- 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
1953 Average .	292.5	318.6	236.7	220.1	228.0	232.3	133.4	194.2
1953 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
Oct. ....	278.0	284.6	293.3	204.8	230.5	237.3	172.8	223.8
Nov. ....	265.8	276.4	263.6	216.9	232.9	237.6	161.5	178.6
Dec. ....	269.7	277.3	246.2	216.9	234.0	238.7	168.2	158.3
1954 Jan. ....	287.6	296.7	260.9	210.8	234.3	238.7	168.8	156.5
Feb. ....	285.0	286.1	263.3	192.8	233.5	239.0	180.2	162.7
Mar. ....	283.1	283.6	265.0	192.8	231.5	236.6	177.9	153.3
Apr. ....	286.1	290.3	265.4	168.7	226.9	229.7	179.2	145.5
May ....	297.9	303.5	277.5	162.7	221.6	220.6	164.9	145.2
June ....	313.8	323.6	271.3	162.7	220.7	220.0	150.9	153.7
July ....	304.4	324.5	248.8	150.6	220.9	220.5	146.0	174.6
Aug. ....	282.8	311.4	228.2	138.6	221.1	220.9	136.9	166.2
Sept. ....	278.8	312.6	225.4	138.6	221.7	222.0	153.3	174.3

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 Yarns	Cotton Fabrics	Cotton Knit Goods	Miscellaneous Fibre Products	Silk and Nylon Thread	Rayon Fabrics
1953	Average	239.0	280.9	244.5	239.9	239.1	245.0	169.5	163.6
1953	July ..	239.1	287.6	244.6	238.7	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Aug. ..	237.9	282.0	243.0	236.3	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Sept. ..	237.9	279.7	242.2	235.4	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Oct. ..	237.2	277.2	239.9	234.3	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Nov. ..	236.1	277.8	228.6	234.1	230.5	242.6	169.5	160.3
	Dec. ..	235.0	276.2	228.6	233.1	230.5	240.8	169.5	160.3
1954	Jan. ..	234.5	279.9	228.6	232.6	230.5	240.8	169.5	160.3
	Feb. ..	233.3	287.2	224.7	232.1	224.9	240.8	169.5	160.3
	Mar. ..	233.1	286.1	224.7	232.1	224.9	240.8	169.5	160.3
	Apr. ..	233.3	289.0	224.7	231.7	224.5	239.7	169.5	160.3
	May. ..	233.7	290.9	224.7	231.1	224.5	239.7	169.5	158.3
	June ..	233.6	290.5	224.7	228.9	224.5	239.7	169.5	158.3
	July ..	231.2	291.1	224.7	228.4	224.5	210.6	169.5	158.3
	Aug. ..	230.8	288.8	224.7	228.4	224.5	210.6	169.5	158.3
	Sept. ..	230.1	293.1	223.9	228.0	224.5	210.6	169.5	158.3

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Rayon Yarns	Raw Wool, Domestic	Raw Wool, Imported	Yarns, Worsted	Hosiery and Knit Goods, Chiefly Wool	Wool Blankets	Worsted and Wool Cloth	Carpets	
1953	Average	176.9	260.3	249.7	221.3	241.7	252.5	265.6	225.3
1953	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
	Oct. ..	176.9	252.5	261.5	228.5	234.8	252.5	268.5	224.9
	Nov. ..	176.9	265.1	268.7	225.3	234.8	252.5	268.4	224.9
	Dec. ..	176.9	259.0	252.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	267.5	225.3
1954	Jan. ..	176.9	250.8	251.9	220.2	236.1	252.5	264.6	225.3
	Feb. ..	176.9	253.8	247.5	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.5	225.3
	Mar. ..	176.9	248.6	240.2	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.5	225.3
	Apr. ..	176.9	257.9	247.1	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.2	225.3
	May ..	176.9	278.5	258.7	216.3	235.6	252.5	262.1	225.3
	June ..	176.9	278.5	266.9	219.5	235.6	252.5	263.2	225.3
	July ..	176.9	278.5	255.1	219.5	235.6	252.5	261.7	225.3
	Aug. ..	176.9	278.5	255.1	219.9	235.6	252.5	259.7	225.3
	Sept. ..	176.9	267.0	249.4	213.4	235.6	252.5	257.6	225.3

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
1953	Average ..	288.6	419.2	399.8	337.0	393.5	496.1	387.6	206.7	286.8	219.8
1953	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
	Oct. ....	286.8	410.6	386.2	329.8	386.9	485.5	381.7	204.3	287.2	227.6
	Nov. ....	285.2	408.6	386.2	329.8	386.9	480.7	379.2	202.8	285.0	227.6
	Dec. ....	285.0	411.2	386.2	329.8	386.9	491.0	373.4	201.5	283.4	227.6
1954	Jan. ....	284.5	409.6	384.4	329.8	375.5	491.0	370.7	201.8	283.8	227.6
	Feb. ....	283.4	409.1	380.4	329.8	369.8	492.8	372.2	200.4	281.7	227.6
	Mar. ....	284.1	409.3	380.4	310.1	369.8	495.2	377.7	201.3	283.1	227.6
	Apr. ....	285.7	410.0	380.0	310.1	369.8	496.4	380.0	203.4	285.9	227.6
	May ....	286.2	409.5	380.0	310.1	369.8	496.4	377.3	203.6	287.2	227.6
	June ....	286.4	413.0	380.0	310.1	369.8	500.6	390.4	202.6	285.9	227.6
	July ....	287.4	421.6	383.7	310.1	369.8	513.9	410.2	201.1	284.0	227.6
	Aug. ....	287.6	424.3	383.7	310.1	369.8	519.5	415.3	200.6	283.0	227.6
	Sept. ...	289.0	430.0	383.7	310.1	369.8	528.6	431.6	200.7	283.1	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
1953	Average ..	221.4	261.2	209.4	238.3	224.5	249.2	298.1	223.5
1953	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
	Oct. ....	222.0	260.1	209.6	238.3	228.2	256.5	288.1	223.0
	Nov. ....	222.3	266.4	209.6	238.3	228.2	256.5	288.1	223.0
	Dec. ....	222.0	266.4	209.6	238.3	228.2	256.5	280.9	223.0
1954	Jan. ....	216.1	266.4	207.3	238.3	217.4	243.8	231.8	219.3
	Feb. ....	215.9	260.1	207.3	238.3	218.4	243.8	230.6	219.0
	Mar. ....	215.2	260.1	207.3	238.3	218.4	243.8	215.3	219.0
	Apr. ....	214.2	254.7	207.3	237.1	218.4	243.8	200.9	219.0
	May ....	211.7	254.7	204.2	228.7	218.4	233.2	200.9	219.0
	June ....	211.8	254.7	204.2	228.7	218.4	233.2	200.9	219.7
	July ....	211.8	254.7	204.2	228.7	218.3	233.2	200.9	219.7
	Aug. ....	211.5	254.7	204.2	228.7	216.7	233.2	200.9	219.7
	Sept. ....	212.2	254.7	205.7	228.7	216.7	233.2	200.9	220.5

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

- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -

Date	Copper Lead Zinc								Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)	
	Total Non-Ferrous Metals (1)	Anti-mony (2)	Its Pro-ducts	Its Pro-ducts	Silver Tin	Its Pro-ducts	Solder			
1953 Average ...	168.6	225.3	178.5	283.1	269.3	216.3	180.2	258.9	201.9	223.1
1953 July .....	168.3	224.2	175.6	281.2	270.3	218.3	154.0	256.4	191.1	222.1
Aug. .....	168.2	224.2	175.6	280.2	276.6	217.6	150.2	256.4	191.1	222.1
Sept. .....	167.1	222.6	175.6	279.3	271.2	216.8	153.8	245.4	176.8	222.2
Oct. .....	166.5	221.7	175.6	278.8	266.5	216.3	150.3	243.0	176.8	221.9
Nov. .....	166.5	222.1	187.6	277.7	271.4	215.2	157.7	246.1	176.8	222.2
Dec. .....	166.1	221.7	184.2	276.5	271.4	214.2	162.4	246.1	176.8	221.9
1954 Jan. .....	165.6	220.9	184.2	276.4	266.3	214.2	163.9	241.0	176.8	218.1
Feb. .....	164.3	219.0	184.2	274.3	257.5	212.7	164.5	235.9	176.8	217.2
Mar. .....	165.1	220.0	184.2	275.5	256.0	213.7	178.1	240.9	192.7	217.2
Apr. .....	167.6	223.7	184.2	278.6	274.9	216.3	181.1	251.6	200.6	218.2
May .....	168.0	224.2	184.2	279.4	276.6	217.1	177.2	252.6	200.6	216.9
June .....	168.3	225.0	191.1	278.7	278.7	216.0	178.5	266.1	200.6	217.3
July .....	167.8	224.6	175.6	277.9	276.6	214.5	181.5	267.0	200.6	217.1
Aug. .....	167.3	224.1	175.6	276.7	277.8	213.7	175.4	267.0	200.6	216.8
Sept. ....	168.1	225.5	175.6	276.6	289.0	213.4	175.1	275.1	200.6	217.7

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -

	Total Non-Metallic Products	Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Manufactured Gas	Window Glass
1953 Average ...	176.9	219.2	146.8	178.3	213.7	227.3	138.7	233.8
1953 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
Oct. .....	178.7	221.5	146.8	176.2	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Nov. .....	178.4	221.5	146.8	177.2	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Dec. .....	179.1	221.5	146.8	179.2	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
1954 Jan. .....	179.3	221.5	146.8	178.3	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Feb. .....	179.4	230.2	146.8	178.3	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Mar. .....	179.0	230.3	146.8	177.0	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Apr. .....	178.3	230.3	146.8	176.4	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
May .....	176.7	231.6	146.8	169.9	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
June .....	176.2	231.6	146.8	169.9	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
July .....	176.4	231.6	153.7	170.1	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Aug. .....	175.8	231.6	153.7	170.0	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8
Sept. ....	175.9	231.6	153.7	170.0	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8

(1) Includes Gold. This series is used in General Wholesale Index.

(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	Sulphur
1953 Average ...	175.4	165.2	137.9	129.9	183.9	150.4	190.9
1953 July .....	170.7	165.4	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	202.5
Aug. ....	170.7	171.0	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	201.6
Sept. ....	170.7	171.1	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	201.0
Oct. ....	189.3	171.3	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	201.2
Nov. ....	189.3	169.8	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	199.6
Dec. ....	189.3	169.7	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.2
1954 Jan. ....	189.3	169.7	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.5
Feb. ....	189.3	169.2	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	197.0
Mar. ....	189.3	169.3	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.0
Apr. ....	189.3	169.3	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	200.2
May ....	189.3	169.4	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	201.2
June ....	189.3	167.9	139.3	134.2	184.1	150.4	200.2
July ....	189.3	167.8	139.3	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.6
Aug. ....	189.3	166.2	135.7	134.2	184.1	150.4	197.9
Sept. ....	189.3	166.2	135.7	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.0

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -Concluded

	Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Building Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1953 Average ...	126.7	190.7	158.3	143.4	164.3	200.7	267.1
1953 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
Oct. ....	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Nov. ....	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Dec. ....	126.7	191.3	158.5	146.7	160.7	200.7	267.1
1954 Jan. ....	126.7	191.3	158.5	151.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Feb. ....	126.7	191.9	158.5	151.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Mar. ....	126.7	191.9	158.5	146.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Apr. ....	126.7	192.6	158.5	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
May ....	126.7	192.6	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
June ....	126.7	192.6	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
July ....	126.7	192.6	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
Aug. ....	126.7	192.6	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
Sept. ....	127.9	198.7	158.5	139.8	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
1953 Average ...	175.7	138.3	209.6	190.2	174.2	288.8
1953 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
Oct. ....	173.6	140.4	193.8	191.6	174.8	288.8
Nov. ....	173.7	140.4	191.8	191.6	174.8	288.8
Dec. ....	174.2	140.4	188.1	191.6	174.8	288.8
1954 Jan. ....	175.4	140.3	182.7	191.6	182.2	288.8
Feb. ....	175.3	140.1	182.8	191.6	182.2	288.8
Mar. ....	175.9	140.1	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
Apr. ....	176.0	140.1	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
May ....	175.9	138.6	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
June ....	176.6	141.2	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
July ....	176.7	141.5	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
Aug. ....	176.7	141.5	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
Sept. ....	176.7	141.5	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Ex-plosives	Paint, Prepared	Fertil-izer Materials	Indus-trial Gases	Soap
1953 Average ...	139.3	189.1	170.2	127.0	189.8
1953 July .....	139.5	189.1	166.4	129.4	191.1
Aug. ....	139.5	189.1	166.4	128.8	191.1
Sept. ....	139.5	189.1	166.4	128.7	186.4
Oct. ....	139.5	189.1	166.4	124.8	186.4
Nov. ....	139.5	189.1	167.3	126.0	186.4
Dec. ....	137.4	189.1	167.3	124.5	190.0
1954 Jan. ....	137.4	189.1	167.3	124.5	200.3
Feb. ....	137.4	189.1	166.7	123.8	200.3
Mar. ....	137.4	189.1	166.7	124.9	206.6
Apr. ....	137.4	189.1	165.8	126.2	206.6
May ....	137.4	189.1	165.8	125.4	206.6
June ....	137.4	189.1	165.8	127.9	206.6
July ....	137.4	189.1	165.8	127.6	206.6
Aug. ....	137.4	189.1	165.8	125.7	206.6
Sept. ....	137.4	189.1	163.9	128.0	206.6

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

Date	Total Index (1949=100)*	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -											Plumb- ing Equip- ment Fix- tures	Elec- trical Equip- ment and Other Mater- ials
		Total Index (1949=100)*	Cement, Sand and Gravel	Brick, Tile and Stone	Lumber and Its Pro- ducts	Lath, Plaster and Insu- lation	Roof- ing Mate- rial	Paint and Glass	Heat- ing Equip- ment	Equip- ment	Equip- ment	Equip- ment		
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			
1953 ..	123.9	282.6	151.8	205.8	410.6	128.5	218.6	203.8	209.0	211.4	229.5			
<u>1953</u>														
Jan.	124.4	283.6	152.1	199.5	412.2	129.1	217.0	202.7	213.1	211.0	228.8			
Feb.	124.5	283.9	152.1	199.5	412.8	129.1	217.0	202.2	213.1	211.0	228.8			
Mar.	124.9	284.7	152.1	205.7	413.9	129.1	217.0	202.2	211.7	217.9	228.8			
Apr.	124.7	284.3	151.6	205.7	413.3	129.1	216.9	201.8	211.7	217.9	228.8			
May	124.7	284.3	151.6	207.4	413.5	129.1	216.9	202.7	212.1	209.7	228.8			
June	124.6	284.1	151.6	207.4	413.2	128.9	219.7	202.7	211.3	209.7	228.8			
July	124.6	284.0	151.6	207.4	412.8	128.9	219.7	203.9	211.3	209.7	228.8			
Aug.	124.4	283.7	151.7	207.4	412.6	127.7	219.7	204.4	210.5	210.0	228.8			
Sept.	123.2	280.9	151.7	207.4	409.0	127.7	219.7	205.2	203.4	210.0	230.4			
Oct.	122.9	280.2	151.7	207.4	406.7	127.7	219.7	205.7	203.4	214.6	231.0			
Nov.	122.5	279.2	151.7	207.4	405.0	127.7	219.7	205.7	203.4	208.2	231.0			
Dec.	122.0	278.2	152.5	207.4	402.6	127.7	219.7	206.5	203.5	207.3	231.0			
<u>1954</u>														
Jan.	121.6	277.3	153.5	207.4	400.7	127.7	219.8	206.5	203.5	207.3	227.5			
Feb.	121.4	276.7	153.5	207.4	398.9	127.7	226.2	206.5	203.5	206.2	227.2			
Mar.	121.0	275.9	152.5	207.4	397.3	129.2	226.2	206.5	203.3	203.7	227.2			
Apr.	121.1	276.1	151.7	207.4	397.3	129.2	226.1	205.2	203.8	209.2	227.2			
May.	121.0	275.9	151.1	207.4	397.4	129.2	226.1	206.9	202.2	209.2	227.2			
June	121.7	277.4	151.1	207.4	400.4	129.2	229.3	208.2	202.1	209.9	227.8			
July	122.0	278.2	151.1	207.4	402.4	129.2	235.8	209.5	200.9	209.9	227.8			
Aug.	121.9	278.0	151.1	207.4	402.5	129.2	235.8	210.8	200.9	205.6	224.7			
Sept.	122.2	278.6	151.1	207.4	402.5	129.2	242.2	210.8	203.0	205.6	225.5			

\* 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)

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Date	Total Index	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -					
		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
1953 .....	124.4	120.2	125.9	117.1	127.8	119.2	119.6
1953 July	124.7	120.4	126.5	117.0	128.7	120.4	119.6
Aug.	124.5	120.5	126.5	117.0	128.2	119.9	119.7
Sept.	123.6	120.5	126.5	117.0	126.8	115.8	119.7
Oct.	123.8	120.5	126.5	117.0	126.2	115.8	121.1
Nov.	123.7	120.5	126.5	117.0	125.7	115.8	120.8
Dec.	123.6	120.9	126.5	117.1	124.9	115.8	120.7
1954 Jan.	123.2	122.1	126.5	117.3	124.7	115.8	120.7
Feb.	123.1	122.1	126.5	120.9	124.2	115.6	120.4
Mar.	122.9	121.8	126.6	120.7	123.7	115.6	120.0
Apr.	122.6	120.5	126.6	120.6	123.6	115.0	120.0
May	121.1	120.4	126.6	121.1	123.6	114.9	120.0
June	121.2	120.6	126.6	121.1	124.2	114.7	120.1
July	121.2	120.6	127.3	121.1	125.2	113.9	120.1
Aug.	120.2	120.6	127.3	121.1	125.2	113.9	112.1
Sept.	120.4	120.6	127.5	121.1	124.8	114.7	112.1
Steel and Metal Work		Hard-ware	Lath, Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscel-laneous 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	
1953 .....	134.7	129.3	110.0	133.6	125.3	103.8	
1953 July	134.7	128.3	110.2	132.6	124.9	103.2	
Aug.	134.7	128.2	109.6	132.6	124.9	103.2	
Sept.	134.8	131.0	109.6	132.6	125.0	103.2	
Oct.	134.8	131.4	109.6	132.6	126.4	103.2	
Nov.	134.8	131.4	109.6	132.6	126.4	103.2	
Dec.	134.5	131.4	109.6	132.8	126.4	103.2	
1954 Jan.	133.1	125.2	109.8	132.9	126.4	104.4	
Feb.	132.3	125.7	109.3	132.8	126.4	104.4	
Mar.	132.3	125.7	109.9	132.6	128.1	100.2	
Apr.	132.0	125.7	109.9	132.5	128.0	100.2	
May	125.0	125.7	109.8	132.4	128.1	100.2	
June	125.0	125.7	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2	
July	125.0	125.7	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2	
Aug.	125.0	124.8	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2	
Sept.	125.2	124.8	110.0	133.1	128.3	100.2	

TABLE 8.- WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly Average 1953	Sept. 1953	Aug. 1954	Sept. 1954
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, Domestic ..	bu.	1.919	2.001	1.699	1.698
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, I.W.A. ....	bu.	1.882	2.001	1.699	1.698
OATS, No. 2 C.W. ....	bu.	.747	.735	.784	.868
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed .....	bu.	1.110	1.046	1.098	1.138
RYE, No. 2 C.W. ....	bu.	1.286	1.034	1.100	1.399
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto .....	bbl.	11.195	12.400	11.400	11.400
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal .	cwt.	7.620	7.505	7.078	7.078
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal .....	gal.	1.337	1.200	1.050	1.120
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's .....	lb.	.684	.710	.978	.820
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John .....	75 lb. bag	1.471	1.130	2.688	2.250
STEERS, Toronto .....	cwt.	19.969	19.120	20.500	20.660
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included) ....	cwt.	30.823	33.760	27.300	25.740
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers ....	lb.	.175	.180	.132	.128
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2 ....	lb.	.720	.720	.720	.720
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b.					
Ontario factory .....	sq.ft.	.370	.370	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal ...	lb.	.610	.598	.572	.578
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal .....	doz.	.648	.784	.557	.626
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.333	.332	.342	.344
COTTON YARNS, 10's white .....	lb.	.698	.690	.645	.645
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ..	lb.	.508	.500	.550	.530
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Canadian Mill (Southern Quebec) .....	ton	109.793	109.875	108.341	108.411
PIG IRON, Malleable .....	gr. ton	58.000	58.000	56.500	56.500
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales ..	cwt.	30.004	29.533	29.104	29.090
LEAD, Pig, domestic sales .....	cwt.	12.896	12.988	13.307	13.851
TIN INGOTS .....	lb.	.961	.820	.935	.933
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic, domestic sales .....	cwt.	11.942	11.314	12.350	12.802
COAL, United States Anthracite .....	ton	20.768	21.220	18.640	18.640
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto .....	gal.	.223	.231	.221	.221
SHINGLES, Asphalt .....	210-lb. sq.	8.450	8.450	8.450	8.450
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume .....	ton	25.175	26.350	26.350	26.350

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

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

	Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	Household Operation	Other Commodities & 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
1953 .....	115.5	112.6	123.6	110.1	117.0	115.8
<u>1952</u> February	1	117.6	120.8	118.3	116.3	115.8
March	1	116.9	117.6	119.1	116.9	116.4
April	1	116.8	117.2	119.4	116.8	116.6
May	1	115.9	115.5	119.6	116.2	115.6
June	2	116.0	115.7	120.4	115.9	115.7
July	2	116.1	116.0	120.6	115.9	115.6
August	1	116.0	115.7	120.6	115.8	115.8
September	2	116.1	115.8	121.2	116.0	115.8
October	1	116.0	115.1	121.5	116.2	116.4
November	1	116.1	115.7	121.4	115.9	116.6
December	1	115.8	114.1	122.2	116.1	116.6
<u>1953</u> January	2	115.7	113.5	122.3	116.5	116.7
February	2	115.5	112.7	122.5	116.6	116.7
March	2	114.8	111.6	122.5	116.7	115.2
April	1	114.6	110.9	122.7	116.9	115.0
May	1	114.4	110.1	122.9	116.6	115.1
June	1	114.9	111.4	123.6	116.6	115.1
July	2	115.4	112.7	123.9	117.0	115.2
August	1	115.7	112.8	124.1	117.2	115.8
September	1	116.2	114.0	124.2	117.4	115.9
October	1	116.7	115.5	124.5	117.5	116.0
November	2	116.2	113.4	125.0	117.4	116.3
December	1	115.8	112.1	125.2	117.4	116.3
<u>1954</u> January	2	115.7	111.6	125.4	117.5	116.4
February	1	115.7	111.7	125.4	117.5	116.5
March	1	115.5	110.7	125.6	117.6	116.6
April	1	115.6	110.4	125.6	118.1	117.2
May	1	115.5	110.2	125.8	117.3	117.5
June	1	116.1	112.0	126.4	117.1	117.5
July	2	116.2	112.1	126.6	117.2	117.6
August	2	117.0	114.4	127.0	117.2	117.7
September	1	116.8	113.8	127.2	117.2	117.6

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

	1951	1952	1953	September 1952	September 1953	July 1954	August 1954	September 1954
<u>Total Index</u>	113.7	116.5	115.5	116.1	116.2	116.2	117.0	116.8
<u>Food</u>	117.0	116.8	112.6	115.8	114.0	112.1	114.4	113.8
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	108.6	113.3	112.4	111.6	111.3	110.8	110.9	111.0
Cereal Products	113.0	117.4	119.3	118.2	121.1	122.6	122.5	122.4
Meats, Fish and Poultry	127.9	115.5	108.2	111.2	109.3	104.9	104.5	103.8
<u>Shelter</u>	114.4	120.2	123.6	121.2	124.2	126.6	127.0	127.2
Rent	114.5	120.9	125.4	122.3	126.3	130.1	130.6	130.8
Home-Ownership	114.4	119.3	121.2	119.8	121.5	121.9	122.3	122.4
<u>Clothing</u>	109.8	111.8	110.1	110.9	110.4	109.6	109.6	109.5
Men's Wear	111.6	115.2	113.5	114.3	113.8	113.9	113.8	113.7
Women's Wear	105.6	104.8	102.5	103.7	103.1	101.2	101.2	101.1
Children's Wear	108.6	111.5	108.6	111.7	108.6	107.4	107.4	107.4
Footwear	116.6	127.2	127.7	126.2	127.6	127.6	127.6	127.6
Piece Goods	119.8	107.4	106.2	105.5	107.6	108.8	109.0	109.0
<u>Household Operation</u>	113.1	116.2	117.0	116.0	117.4	117.2	117.2	117.2
Fuel and Lighting	109.9	113.4	115.6	113.3	116.2	114.2	114.4	114.6
Home Furnishings	115.5	117.6	116.7	116.7	116.8	115.3	115.2	115.1
Furniture	112.9	115.6	117.2	115.7	117.7	117.5	117.5	117.4
Utensils and Equipment	113.2	118.9	121.2	119.6	121.6	122.2	122.4	122.4
Supplies and Services	112.7	116.8	118.7	117.4	119.2	122.4	122.4	122.4
Supplies	112.2	112.4	113.5	112.4	113.4	116.0	116.0	115.9
Services	113.0	119.7	122.2	120.8	123.1	126.8	126.8	126.8
<u>Other Commodities and</u>								
<u>Services</u>	111.5	116.0	115.8	115.8	115.9	117.6	117.7	117.6
Transportation	113.0	117.4	119.2	116.8	119.9	120.2	120.0	119.9
Automobile Operation	112.9	114.9	114.5	114.0	115.4	114.8	114.5	114.2
Recreation	109.7	115.7	116.7	116.0	116.3	119.5	119.6	119.7
Health Care	110.3	118.8	122.0	119.8	123.0	127.9	128.5	128.5
Drugs	107.4	107.9	108.7	108.1	108.9	109.5	109.5	109.5
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	111.5	113.3	108.0	112.4	107.2	107.3	107.3	107.3
Personal Care	112.5	115.5	115.9	115.2	115.9	118.2	118.2	118.2
Personal Supplies	110.6	112.7	111.5	112.0	111.4	114.0	114.0	114.0

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

	Beef, Blade Roast	Beef, Sir- loin	Pork, Loin	Bacon	Salmon, Canned	Chicken	Butter	Margarine
<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>1953</u>	106.2	113.0	113.7	101.0	95.9	108.6	100.7	117.9
<u>1953</u>	Aug. 1	102.3	113.9	120.3	107.4	96.1	112.0	118.5
	Sept. 1	100.9	113.8	119.9	118.0	95.7	106.5	118.5
	Oct. 1	100.3	112.2	121.6	127.2	95.3	103.8	118.5
<u>1954</u>	Mar. 1	98.0	101.8	121.8	118.5	94.9	103.6	117.9
	Apr. 1	96.8	101.8	119.6	118.5	94.9	102.8	117.9
	May 1	96.1	103.8	121.1	119.9	94.5	100.4	117.9
	June 1	99.2	109.5	128.3	122.9	94.1	97.1	117.9
	July 2	100.3	111.1	122.1	122.0	94.5	95.1	117.9
	Aug. 2	101.3	115.2	119.2	118.0	94.1	93.7	117.9
	Sept. 1	101.1	116.6	113.6	109.5	95.7	90.0	116.9
	Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Toma- toes, Fresh	Carrots
<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>1953</u>	87.4	109.9	97.7	94.8	120.0	111.8	102.3	132.3
<u>1953</u>	Aug. 1	87.7	128.6	97.2	93.2	120.1	111.4	147.9
	Sept. 1	88.0	130.7	96.8	89.5	120.1	93.6	126.6
	Oct. 1	88.6	134.3	96.8	93.7	120.1	89.3	126.6
<u>1954</u>	Mar. 1	90.2	91.5	97.2	100.5	119.5	83.0	145.2
	Apr. 1	91.4	84.4	97.2	117.0	118.9	79.5	149.2
	May 1	92.0	83.7	97.7	115.3	118.9	82.1	165.2
	June 1	91.7	84.5	98.7	119.3	118.9	92.7	185.2
	July 2	92.3	95.9	99.7	120.4	118.9	125.2	190.5
	Aug. 2	92.3	99.5	100.1	132.6	118.3	164.8	171.9
	Sept. 1	92.3	102.4	100.6	134.3	119.5	133.5	139.9
	Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Granu- lated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
<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>1953</u>	118.5	113.2	121.5	108.9	107.8	104.5	98.1	164.1
<u>1953</u>	Aug. 1	118.5	112.4	123.8	111.9	106.2	104.4	164.3
	Sept. 1	118.5	111.7	124.8	111.9	106.2	105.6	165.7
	Oct. 1	118.5	111.7	124.8	111.9	106.2	105.6	166.8
<u>1954</u>	Mar. 1	118.5	110.0	126.8	111.9	103.0	106.5	189.0
	Apr. 1	118.5	110.0	126.8	110.5	103.0	106.5	200.6
	May 1	118.5	111.3	126.8	110.5	101.9	106.5	214.9
	June 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	110.5	101.9	106.5	218.6
	July 2	118.5	112.7	126.8	110.5	100.8	106.1	219.9
	Aug. 2	118.5	112.4	126.8	110.5	100.8	107.4	220.5
	Sept. 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	109.0	100.8	108.2	208.6

TABLE 12. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES

N.B. - Indexes shown in this table measure percentage changes in prices over time, and should not be used to compare actual levels of prices as between cities.

	St. John's Nfl'd.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver	
	June 1951-100		1949-100								
1940 .....		68.6	66.4	64.8	65.3	66.1	66.6	64.7	66.2	63.6	
1941 .....		71.3	69.8	68.6	68.7	69.9	69.8	68.5	69.0	66.9	
1942 .....		74.2	73.3	71.9	72.0	73.6	72.9	71.5	72.0	70.2	
1943 .....		76.0	74.7	73.4	73.1	74.4	74.0	72.6	73.9	72.4	
1944 .....		76.9	75.4	73.6	73.3	74.9	74.5	73.5	74.6	72.8	
1945 .....		77.6	75.8	74.4	73.8	75.3	75.2	74.0	75.3	73.6	
1946 .....		79.6	77.9	76.9	76.5	77.9	77.5	76.6	77.8	75.9	
1947 .....		86.3	84.6	84.3	84.5	85.5	84.3	84.4	84.6	83.3	
1948 .....		96.8	97.0	96.6	96.5	97.0	95.8	96.9	96.1	96.0	
1949 .....		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
1950 .....		102.1	103.3	103.7	103.1	104.1	103.8	102.2	103.9	103.6	
1951 .....		112.1	114.1	116.1	115.3	115.4	114.6	111.7	113.5	114.3	
1952 .....	103.5	115.3	117.4	117.6	116.8	117.5	116.1	112.8	114.8	117.4	
1953 .....	102.2	113.2	115.3	116.3	115.0	116.8	114.4	113.1	114.0	116.1	
<u>1951</u>	July 3	101.3	114.6	115.9	119.2	117.5	117.3	117.1	113.5	115.1	116.5
	August 1	102.8	115.7	117.0	118.9	118.1	118.0	117.5	114.5	116.5	117.2
	September 1	102.7	115.4	117.0	119.6	118.9	118.5	117.3	114.6	116.3	117.4
	October 1	103.0	115.9	117.5	119.8	119.2	118.8	117.9	115.1	116.6	117.3
	November 1	103.2	116.6	117.8	120.4	119.2	119.2	117.8	115.4	116.9	118.5
	December 1	103.5	116.6	118.2	120.4	120.2	118.9	118.0	115.2	117.7	119.0
<u>1952</u>	January 2	103.9	116.6	119.4	120.9	120.6	119.6	118.3	115.1	117.6	119.5
	February 1	103.7	115.9	119.0	120.3	120.1	118.9	118.1	115.1	117.4	118.8
	March 1	104.0	115.6	118.7	119.2	118.7	117.9	117.2	114.2	116.2	118.6
	April 1	103.8	115.6	118.6	118.2	118.1	118.2	117.1	113.0	115.4	118.7
	May 1	103.1	115.3	117.0	116.5	116.4	116.9	116.2	111.4	114.0	117.7
	June 2	102.7	116.5	117.8	117.4	116.2	117.9	116.3	111.3	113.8	117.7
	July 2	103.9	116.8	118.3	118.0	116.5	117.9	116.5	112.6	114.4	117.2
	August 1	105.3	116.4	118.2	117.0	116.2	117.8	115.9	113.2	114.8	117.0
	September 2	103.6	114.9	116.8	117.0	115.8	117.2	115.3	112.4	113.9	116.7
	October 1	103.0	113.1	115.3	115.8	114.5	116.2	114.3	111.7	113.5	115.6
	November 1	102.5	113.6	115.2	115.7	114.7	116.0	114.1	112.1	113.3	115.8
	December 1	102.3	112.8	114.5	115.2	113.9	115.6	113.5	111.3	112.9	116.1
<u>1953</u>	January 2	102.4	112.8	114.7	115.7	114.4	115.9	113.7	111.9	112.6	116.2
	February 2	102.3	113.1	114.8	116.2	114.8	116.0	114.1	112.1	112.6	115.7
	March 2	101.3	112.9	114.5	115.8	114.3	115.9	113.7	112.2	113.0	115.5
	April 1	101.5	112.7	114.6	114.8	114.3	115.7	113.9	112.3	113.1	115.6
	May 1	101.1	112.2	114.4	114.9	113.7	115.7	113.6	112.1	113.2	115.7
	June 1	101.2	112.7	114.9	116.0	114.7	116.5	114.1	112.9	114.0	115.8
	July 2	101.9	113.7	115.8	117.3	115.2	117.2	115.2	113.9	114.7	116.5
	August 1	102.9	114.2	116.7	117.0	115.4	117.5	115.0	114.2	115.3	116.0
	September 1	102.8	113.8	116.1	116.5	115.5	117.6	114.7	113.8	115.1	116.2
	October 1	102.8	114.0	116.1	117.4	116.4	118.4	115.0	114.3	115.3	116.7
	November 2	103.1	113.6	115.9	117.0	116.0	117.8	115.2	113.7	114.9	116.5
	December 1	102.7	113.2	115.5	116.7	115.5	117.6	114.7	113.3	114.5	116.3
<u>1954</u>	January 2	102.6	113.2	115.4	116.7	115.3	117.7	114.9	113.2	114.4	116.2
	February 1	102.4	113.8	115.8	116.8	115.5	117.6	115.0	113.5	114.3	116.4
	March 1	102.2	113.7	116.2	116.3	115.3	117.4	114.7	113.7	114.4	116.3
	April 1	102.0	113.8	115.9	116.3	115.5	117.7	114.9	113.6	114.3	116.9
	May 1	102.2	113.6	115.8	116.3	115.5	117.7	114.8	113.5	114.4	116.9
	June 1	102.5	113.9	116.2	117.0	116.1	118.2	115.3	114.1	114.8	117.1
	July 2	102.6	113.8	116.2	117.2	116.4	118.8	115.5	114.1	114.8	117.0
	August 2	104.4	115.3	117.6	117.2	117.0	119.0	116.4	115.3	115.4	118.1
	September 1	103.4	114.8	117.7	116.6	116.9	118.8	115.7	115.1	115.7	118.1

TABLE 12. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Continued  
(1949=100)

			St. John's Nfld. <sup>1</sup>	Halif- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
<u>Food Index</u>												
<u>1952</u>	January	2	106.1	119.6	123.5	126.9	125.7	122.2	122.8	118.2	122.0	124.1
	February	1	105.0	118.1	122.8	125.4	124.9	121.0	123.1	118.6	121.9	122.4
	March	1	104.3	115.6	121.5	122.5	121.8	117.4	120.3	115.6	119.2	120.9
	April	1	103.8	115.8	121.5	120.4	119.5	116.9	119.6	112.8	117.2	121.0
	May	1	103.2	114.3	118.4	117.2	116.4	114.1	118.2	110.3	114.3	117.2
	June	2	102.2	116.9	120.4	119.3	116.6	116.3	118.4	110.3	113.8	117.0
	July	2	105.8	117.7	121.6	120.5	117.5	116.7	119.2	113.5	115.6	115.9
	August	1	109.6	117.1	121.2	118.2	117.1	116.3	116.8	114.3	116.5	115.3
	September	2	104.5	113.1	118.0	118.2	115.5	113.9	115.2	111.9	114.2	114.8
	October	1	103.0	108.8	114.7	114.7	112.3	111.3	113.3	110.4	113.2	112.3
	November	1	101.7	109.9	114.4	114.8	113.0	111.0	113.2	111.5	112.5	112.8
	December	1	101.4	107.8	112.7	113.2	110.1	109.4	111.2	109.3	111.4	113.5
<u>1953</u>	January	2	101.6	107.5	112.2	114.2	111.3	110.0	111.6	110.8	110.5	113.4
	February	2	100.8	107.9	112.4	115.2	112.2	110.1	112.6	110.9	110.4	112.4
	March	2	99.5	107.7	112.2	114.5	111.0	109.7	111.7	111.5	110.8	111.8
	April	1	99.4	106.6	111.9	111.8	110.8	108.2	111.8	111.5	110.4	111.3
	May	1	98.4	105.0	110.9	112.1	109.2	108.3	111.0	110.2	110.4	111.4
	June	1	98.6	106.2	111.4	114.0	111.7	109.9	112.3	112.1	112.0	111.6
	July	2	99.6	108.6	113.5	116.8	112.8	111.6	114.9	114.4	113.7	113.3
	August	1	101.8	109.8	115.1	116.0	112.9	111.7	113.8	114.6	113.9	111.8
	September	1	101.4	108.9	113.2	114.8	112.8	111.8	112.6	113.6	113.3	112.0
	October	1	101.4	108.6	113.1	117.4	115.5	114.1	112.8	114.6	113.6	112.7
	November	2	102.3	107.0	111.8	115.8	113.0	111.6	112.3	112.1	111.9	112.6
	December	1	101.3	105.7	110.8	115.1	111.4	110.3	110.8	110.8	110.7	111.3
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.0	105.5	110.3	115.1	110.3	110.2	110.9	110.2	109.9	110.8
	February	1	100.4	106.5	110.6	115.5	110.5	110.0	111.1	110.4	109.9	111.6
	March	1	99.5	105.6	109.8	113.4	109.8	108.9	110.2	110.0	109.9	110.7
	April	1	98.9	105.5	109.2	112.6	109.3	108.9	110.2	108.7	109.0	110.4
	May	1	99.3	104.7	108.4	112.7	109.3	109.1	109.7	108.0	109.3	109.8
	June	1	100.0	105.7	109.1	114.3	110.8	110.9	111.0	110.6	110.4	111.6
	July	2	100.2	105.7	109.5	115.1	111.4	112.0	111.9	110.6	110.4	111.2
	August	2	105.0	110.5	113.8	114.8	113.1	112.8	114.7	114.3	112.8	113.6
	September	1	102.2	109.1	114.4	113.4	112.8	111.6	112.0	114.2	113.5	113.7
<u>Shelter Index</u>												
<u>1953</u>	July	2	107.3	116.8	114.3	130.6	122.7	134.6	117.6	109.8	117.5	122.9
	August	1	107.3	116.8	114.9	131.1	123.3	135.1	117.7	110.9	117.5	122.9
	September	1	107.3	116.8	116.3	131.1	124.0	135.1	117.9	110.9	117.8	123.0
	October	1	107.3	118.7	116.3	131.2	124.2	136.0	119.4	111.5	118.3	123.2
	November	2	107.3	118.7	116.9	131.4	124.9	136.5	120.8	111.6	118.5	123.2
	December	1	107.3	119.1	116.9	131.5	125.0	137.1	121.7	111.9	118.7	123.5
<u>1954</u>	January	2	107.3	119.6	116.9	131.8	125.0	137.9	122.4	112.1	119.0	123.7
	February	1	107.3	121.2	117.2	131.9	125.6	138.1	122.5	112.5	119.2	123.7
	March	1	107.3	122.2	117.6	132.0	126.0	138.2	122.6	113.1	119.3	124.1
	April	1	107.3	122.4	117.9	132.0	126.0	138.9	122.7	113.5	119.3	124.1
	May	1	107.3	122.6	118.2	132.1	126.2	139.8	122.9	113.7	119.4	124.6
	June	1	107.3	122.9	120.8	133.1	127.7	140.6	123.4	113.9	119.4	124.7
	July	2	107.3	122.9	121.0	133.3	128.5	141.0	123.6	114.1	119.4	125.0
	August	2	107.4	122.9	121.6	133.6	129.0	141.6	123.7	114.3	119.4	125.5
	September	1	107.4	123.0	122.1	133.6	129.3	142.0	124.1	114.3	119.7	125.5

1. St. John's Index on the base June 1951=100

TABLE 12. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Concluded

(1949 = 100)

		St. John's Nfld. 1	Halifax	Saint John	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Winnipeg	Saskatoon Regina	Edmonton Calgary	Vancouver	
<u>Clothing Index</u>												
<u>1953</u>	July	2	101.8	115.9	119.4	110.3	113.3	113.3	115.7	116.2	114.4	112.7
	August	1	101.9	116.0	119.7	110.3	113.3	113.3	116.2	116.3	114.4	112.7
	September	1	101.9	116.1	119.7	110.3	113.6	113.6	116.7	116.3	114.4	112.8
	October	1	101.9	116.4	119.7	110.9	113.6	113.1	116.2	116.3	114.3	112.6
	November	2	102.1	116.9	119.9	111.0	113.6	112.9	116.5	116.3	114.3	112.6
	December	1	101.7	116.9	119.9	111.0	113.5	112.6	116.3	116.3	114.2	112.7
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.6	116.9	119.9	111.0	113.5	112.6	116.1	116.3	114.2	112.6
	February	1	101.8	116.7	119.9	110.7	113.5	112.4	116.1	116.3	114.2	112.3
	March	1	102.0	116.6	119.7	110.7	113.4	112.2	115.4	117.0	114.2	111.8
	April	1	102.2	116.4	118.6	110.7	113.5	112.1	115.2	117.0	114.2	113.4
	May	1	102.1	116.6	118.6	110.7	113.5	111.9	115.2	117.0	114.2	113.4
	June	1	102.3	116.3	118.5	110.6	113.5	111.4	115.2	116.6	114.2	113.4
	July	2	102.0	116.0	118.5	110.2	113.4	111.4	115.1	116.6	113.8	113.3
	August	2	102.1	115.9	118.5	110.2	113.1	111.4	115.1	116.6	113.8	113.3
	September	1	102.0	115.6	117.9	110.2	112.9	111.4	114.8	116.4	113.7	113.1
<u>Household Operation</u>												
	<u>Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	July	2	103.7	119.2	116.7	116.3	115.1	117.7	113.3	117.7	114.4	122.1
	August	1	104.3	119.3	117.1	116.3	115.2	117.6	113.4	117.7	115.1	122.3
	September	1	104.4	119.1	117.2	116.7	115.1	117.6	113.4	117.7	115.2	122.1
	October	1	104.4	119.0	117.2	116.5	115.7	117.6	113.5	117.7	115.2	123.2
	November	2	104.3	118.9	117.2	116.2	115.6	117.5	113.4	117.7	115.1	123.3
	December	1	104.2	118.9	117.1	116.0	116.0	117.8	112.9	118.1	114.9	123.4
<u>1954</u>	January	2	104.1	119.0	117.2	116.1	116.4	117.8	113.2	118.1	115.1	123.7
	February	1	104.0	119.0	117.3	116.1	116.4	117.7	113.2	118.1	115.1	124.3
	March	1	104.0	119.1	117.3	116.2	116.4	117.8	113.1	118.3	115.1	124.7
	April	1	103.9	119.5	116.8	116.6	116.8	118.2	113.7	118.8	115.7	126.7
	May	1	104.0	119.2	116.8	115.8	116.7	116.9	113.5	118.8	115.5	126.4
	June	1	104.0	119.2	116.5	115.8	115.8	116.4	113.6	118.5	115.8	124.3
	July	2	104.0	119.2	116.5	115.9	116.0	116.4	113.4	118.5	115.8	124.5
	August	2	103.7	119.0	116.5	116.0	115.9	116.5	113.4	118.5	115.8	125.4
	September	1	103.5	119.0	116.4	115.9	115.9	116.3	113.5	118.4	115.5	125.5
<u>Other Commodities and Services Index</u>												
<u>1953</u>	July	2	101.1	115.0	118.9	114.6	116.2	116.1	115.1	110.5	115.2	117.3
	August	1	101.4	115.2	119.3	115.0	116.7	116.8	115.9	110.6	116.8	117.4
	September	1	101.5	115.3	119.3	115.1	116.8	116.8	116.0	110.8	116.9	117.5
	October	1	101.5	115.4	119.3	115.1	116.8	116.9	116.2	110.8	117.1	117.5
	November	2	101.5	115.5	119.3	115.4	117.4	117.4	116.3	111.7	117.6	117.4
	December	1	101.5	115.6	119.3	115.3	117.4	117.4	116.2	111.7	117.6	117.4
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.9	115.6	119.4	115.4	117.4	117.5	116.3	111.7	117.8	117.5
	February	1	102.0	115.8	120.1	115.4	117.5	117.6	116.7	111.7	117.8	117.4
	March	1	102.0	115.8	122.8	115.6	117.6	117.7	116.6	112.4	117.8	117.4
	April	1	102.1	116.2	122.9	116.4	118.4	118.4	117.3	112.8	118.3	118.0
	May	1	102.6	116.2	123.0	116.8	118.6	118.6	117.4	113.0	118.2	118.9
	June	1	102.7	116.2	123.0	116.8	118.6	118.6	117.4	112.9	118.2	118.9
	July	2	102.7	116.1	122.9	116.8	118.6	119.0	117.3	112.8	118.1	118.8
	August	2	103.5	116.0	122.9	116.8	118.8	119.0	117.3	112.8	118.2	118.8
	September	1	103.5	116.0	122.9	116.8	118.8	119.0	117.5	112.7	118.1	118.8

1. St. John's Index on the base June 1951 = 100

TABLE 13. -ACTUAL AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES IN MANUFACTURING  
ADJUSTED FOR CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1)  
1945 - 1954

Year and Month	Actual(2) Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	Index Numbers of		
			Actual Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	The Consumer Price Index
			\$	\$	(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
1953 - Average	56.09	48.56	134.5	116.4	115.5
1952 - 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	48.19	133.7	115.5	115.7
Sept. 1	55.64	47.88	133.4	114.8	116.2
Oct. 1	56.69	48.58	135.9	116.5	116.7
Nov. 1	56.88	48.95	136.4	117.4	116.2
Dec. 1	57.02	49.24	136.7	118.1	115.8
1954 - Jan. 1	54.05	46.72	129.6	112.0	115.7
Feb. 1	57.14	49.39	137.0	118.4	115.7
Mar. 1	57.79	50.03	138.6	119.9	115.5
Apr. 1	57.67	49.89	138.3	119.6	115.6
May 1	57.57	49.84	138.0	119.5	115.5
June 1	56.60	48.75	135.7	116.9	116.1
July 1	57.35	49.35	137.5	118.3	116.2
Aug. 1	57.29(P)	48.97(P)	137.4(P)	117.4(P)	117.0

(1) For statement of uses and limitations see "Prices & Price Indexes" May 1953.

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

(P) Preliminary.

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES

(1935-39 = 100)

## INVESTORS' INDEX

Number of Stocks	Inves-	Total	Machin-	Pulp	Tex-	Food	Bever-	Build-			
	tors'	Indus-	ery	and	Mill-	tiles	and	Allied	ing		
	Total	trials	Equip-	Paper	Oils	Cloth-	ages	Pro-	Mate-		
(99)	(79)	(11)	(9)	(3)	(5)	(10)	(14)	(10)	(15)		
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	
1953 .....	160.3	160.1	394.8	501.6	131.2	131.0	222.5	120.7	399.3	279.5	
<u>1952</u>	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
	Oct. ..	151.9	150.9	374.3	503.3	131.3	118.5	189.9	123.3	400.8	267.0
	Nov. ..	154.2	153.2	392.7	533.9	131.0	117.8	175.2	124.6	417.9	273.6
	Dec. ..	153.6	152.7	391.5	544.4	129.1	119.4	180.7	122.4	420.4	276.1
<u>1954</u>	Jan. ..	157.4	156.5	395.3	562.6	129.3	126.1	168.8	122.9	434.5	283.6
	Feb. ..	163.2	163.2	418.4	589.4	129.9	136.3	158.4	123.6	447.9	286.8
	Mar. ..	165.0	165.1	432.8	596.4	131.1	136.4	166.3	123.8	440.0	285.2
	Apr. ..	173.6	174.7	458.8	628.5	133.9	145.4	163.1	124.6	453.6	298.6
	May ..	179.5	181.0	474.2	679.8	137.6	147.6	153.2	133.0	476.4	322.8
	June ..	180.5	180.4	469.1	685.1	134.0	142.8	151.4	136.8	474.5	321.7
	July ..	182.3	181.8	503.6	718.4	138.3	138.2	151.6	135.5	480.1	331.4
	Aug. ..	187.0	187.9	520.8	744.3	145.4	142.1	161.2	142.6	497.6	348.5
	Sept. ..	189.5	191.4	510.7	750.1	151.9	145.0	154.1	144.5	509.4	347.6
<u>Weekly Index</u>											
	Sept. 2	187.6	189.4	507.3	738.2	149.2	144.6	156.5	140.6	504.8	346.6
	Sept. 9	187.6	189.2	499.5	740.6	151.2	142.7	152.0	141.7	509.4	345.5
	Sept. 16	190.8	192.7	510.3	758.3	151.3	145.6	155.2	144.6	518.2	349.7
	Sept. 23	191.8	194.0	517.5	758.8	153.7	147.4	153.6	147.6	511.7	349.6
	Sept. 30	189.8	191.8	519.0	754.5	154.2	144.6	153.3	147.8	503.0	346.7

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

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Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX							MINING INDEX (1)		
	Indus- trial Mines	Total Utili- ties	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone	Power and Traction	Banks	Mining Total	Golds	Base Metals	
	(2)	(12)	(2)	(1)	(9)	(8)	(27)	(22)	(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	
1953 .....	118.1	157.2	297.5	99.2	142.4	168.9	92.1	66.2	151.3	
<u>1952</u>	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
	Oct. ..	109.1	149.0	263.2	95.3	142.9	168.5	82.7	60.1	134.3
	Nov. ..	108.4	149.4	255.7	100.4	140.1	175.4	83.7	60.1	137.6
	Dec. ..	103.4	146.4	254.2	101.2	131.4	180.2	79.9	57.3	131.5
<u>1954</u>	Jan. ..	102.7	149.1	265.4	102.5	131.5	185.5	81.9	60.3	131.2
	Feb. ..	103.4	151.9	272.8	103.6	134.0	189.6	83.4	62.1	132.0
	Mar. ..	106.9	153.3	267.0	105.9	137.2	192.5	84.3	61.5	136.5
	Apr. ..	116.0	159.5	280.6	107.8	145.0	195.4	89.3	64.8	145.5
	May ..	118.9	162.4	274.6	110.1	152.6	204.0	89.4	64.4	146.5
	June ..	123.8	167.2	301.6	110.5	151.8	212.2	90.0	63.9	149.7
	July ..	122.3	169.4	297.5	112.9	156.4	216.4	92.0	64.9	154.0
	Aug. ..	125.0	170.2	296.6	114.6	156.7	217.3	95.6	67.8	159.2
	Sept. ..	133.3	170.4	295.0	114.0	159.0	215.0	96.4	68.3	160.8
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Sept. 2	130.2	167.7	290.1	112.9	155.6	216.0	95.5	68.4	157.7	
Sept. 9	133.1	169.1	287.0	114.2	159.2	214.4	96.6	68.8	160.4	
Sept. 16	134.7	173.0	303.9	114.4	161.2	213.6	96.9	68.4	162.3	
Sept. 23	135.5	171.9	300.6	114.2	160.1	215.9	97.1	68.6	162.3	
Sept. 30	133.2	170.3	293.3	114.4	159.0	215.0	96.0	67.5	161.3	

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

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

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January .....	157.5	144.5	144.7	152.4	166.0	161.4	161.0	162.6
February .....	158.5	141.0	144.0	153.0	169.3	160.6	161.6	163.6
March .....	156.0	138.9	142.8	153.7	166.0	159.5	163.6	165.4
April .....	153.1	144.2	140.9	154.4	165.2	157.2	161.6	168.0
May .....	154.3	147.0	139.9	157.3	164.3	157.2	162.9	169.7
June .....	155.8	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7	163.0	170.7
July .....	155.4	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8	163.8	171.3
August .....	153.5	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6	164.3	173.0
September ....	153.6	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4	162.0	173.4
October .....	152.0	143.7	145.8	161.1	164.2	161.2	161.0	
November .....	150.2	144.6	150.0	161.1	162.8	160.3	161.6	
December .....	148.1	144.6	150.7	160.2	159.5	160.7	161.7	
Year .....	154.0	144.6	143.0	156.7	164.5	160.1	162.3	

**TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF UNITED STATES STOCK PRICES**  
Source: Standard and Poor's  
(1935-39 = 100)

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January .....	125.2	120.1	121.0	135.1	168.6	186.9	197.6	195.4
February .....	128.7	114.2	117.2	136.7	174.7	183.2	195.9	199.6
March .....	123.7	116.4	118.0	138.8	170.3	185.3	198.0	204.9
April .....	119.3	124.6	118.5	141.8	172.3	183.7	190.0	212.7
May .....	115.2	130.2	117.7	146.9	173.9	183.7	189.6	219.8
June .....	119.1	135.1	112.0	147.7	171.7	187.6	182.8	221.8
July .....	126.0	131.9	117.8	138.2	172.8	192.1	185.5	231.1
August .....	124.5	127.1	121.8	147.2	181.5	191.1	187.3	236.4
September ....	123.1	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2	179.2	238.5
October .....	125.1	127.8	127.3	157.8	185.0	183.4	183.4	
November .....	123.6	120.4	129.1	156.1	177.7	189.8	187.5	
December .....	122.4	119.4	132.7	158.4	182.5	197.0	190.7	
Year .....	123.0	124.4	121.4	146.4	176.5	187.7	189.0	

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

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January .....	84.9	92.1	95.4	90.1	97.9	113.4	118.3	115.0
February .....	84.7	92.1	95.2	90.3	97.7	113.9	118.8	112.7
March .....	84.6	96.7	94.7	90.2	104.6	115.1	118.9	104.7
April .....	84.8	96.5	94.4	90.7	104.9	115.3	118.9	100.2
May .....	84.6	95.3	94.4	90.2	104.9	112.6	119.6	99.7
June .....	84.3	95.4	94.4	90.2	105.3	114.0	120.6	99.7
July .....	83.8	95.6	93.8	91.0	104.7	117.3	120.7	97.9
August .....	83.9	96.2	92.7	90.5	104.9	119.1	121.0	97.3
September ....	84.0	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6	121.5	97.9
October .....	84.2	96.3	89.1	92.0	105.7	118.6	120.8	
November .....	84.4	95.7	89.2	93.9	107.8	117.8	118.8	
December .....	84.8	95.5	90.3	96.7	112.0	118.0	117.3	
Year .....	84.4	95.3	93.0	91.3	104.6	116.2	119.6	

TABLE 18. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS  
(1935-39 = 100)

	Composite Index Exclusive of Living Component (a)	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates (a)	Farm Wage Rates	Farm Family Living	Composite Index Inclusive of Living Component (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 - August .....	245.4	212.5	161.4	471.9	204.5	229.0
1953 - April .....	242.7	208.2	168.2	463.5	203.4	227.0
August .....	243.6	206.3	168.2	475.8	204.9	228.1
1954 - January ....	231.0	204.0	168.2	409.5	204.8	220.6
April .....	238.0	204.1	168.2	450.8	204.2	224.5
August .....	238.7	201.9	168.2	463.2	204.5	225.0
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 - August .....	246.8	211.7	152.4	447.4	202.7	229.2
1953 - April .....	243.3	208.4	158.7	434.0	201.4	226.5
August .....	244.0	205.2	158.7	447.1	202.4	227.3
1954 - January ....	237.0	202.9	158.7	419.2	202.5	223.2
April .....	237.4	203.5	158.7	419.2	201.5	223.1
August .....	238.7	200.9	158.7	433.8	202.1	224.1
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 - August .....	243.9	213.2	169.0	506.8	206.3	228.9
1953 - April .....	242.1	208.1	176.3	505.4	205.3	227.4
August .....	243.2	207.3	176.3	516.6	207.4	228.9
1954 - January ....	225.1	205.1	176.3	395.8	207.2	217.9
April .....	238.6	204.7	176.3	495.7	206.9	225.9
August .....	238.7	202.8	176.3	505.1	206.9	226.0

(a) 1954 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

**TABLE 19. - 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	1952	1953	1953	1954		
		Average	Average	September Average	July Average	August Average	September Average
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
United States	dollar	.9789	.9834	.9843	.9744	.9702	.9697
United Kingdom	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7594	2.7459	2.7295	2.7165
Argentina	peso (free)	.07010	.07079	.07085	.07014	.06983	.06980
Australia	pound	2.1872	2.2133	2.2075	2.1967	2.1832	2.1732
Belgium (1)	franc	.01947	.01969	.01974	.01951	.01940	.01940
Brazil (2)(3)	cruzeiro	.05291	.05314	.05320	.04171	.04154	.01558
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5696	.5764	.5749	.5721	.5685	.5659
Ceylon	rupee	.2056	.2075	.2070	.2059	.2047	.2037
Chile	peso (free)	.00908	.00890	.00895	.00886	.00882	.00882
Colombia	peso (basic)	.3916	.3921	.3937	.3898	.3880	.3879
Cuba	peso	.9789	.9834	.9842	.9744	.9701	.9697
Denmark	krone	.1417	.1424	.1425	.1411	.1404	.1404
Egypt	pound	2.8111	2.8239	2.8264	2.7981	2.7856	2.7844
France and North Africa	franc	.00280	.00281	.00281	.00279	.00277	.00277
Germany	deutsche mark	.2331	.2342	.2343	.2320	.2310	.2309
Hong Kong	dollar	.1709	.1729	.1725	.1716	.1706	.1698
India	rupee	.2056	.2075	.2070	.2059	.2047	.2037
Ireland	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7594	2.7459	2.7295	2.7165
Italy	lira	.00157	.00158	.00158	.00156	.00156	.00156
Jamaica	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7594	2.7459	2.7295	2.7165
Japan	yen	.00272	.00273	.00273	.00271	.00270	.00269
Lebanon	pound (free)	.2734	.2872	.3003	.3043	.3027	.3021
Mexico	peso	.1132	.1137	.1138	.07796	.07760	.07757
Netherlands	guilder	.2576	.2588	.2590	.2574	.2561	.2557
New Zealand	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7594	2.7459	2.7295	2.7165
Norway	krone	.1371	.1377	.1378	.1364	.1358	.1357
Pakistan	rupee	.2959	.2972	.2975	.2945	.2932	.2931
Peru	sol-certificate	.06346	.05908	.05648	.05024	.05004	.05017
Philippines	peso	.4895	.4917	.4921	.4872	.4850	.4848
Portugal	escudo	.03412	.03431	.03434	.03401	.03385	.03384
Singapore	dollar	.3190	.3228	.3219	.3204	.3184	.3169
Sweden	krona	.1892	.1901	.1902	.1884	.1875	.1874
Switzerland	franc	.2266	.2293	.2297	.2272	.2263	.2262
Turkey	lira	.3496	.3512	.3515	.3480	.3464	.3463
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7594	2.7459	2.7295	2.7165
Venezuela	bolivar	.2922	.2936	.2938	.2909	.2896	.2895
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00326	.00328	.00328	.00325	.00323	.00323

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

(1) Includes Belgian Empire and Luxembourg.

(2) Export No. 1, from November, 1953. - August 1954. (3) Free September 1954.

TABLE 20. - INDEX NUMBERS OF CONSUMER AND WHOLESALE PRICES  
IN CANADA AND OTHER SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Country	Base Period	1939	1953	1954					
				Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia .....	1952-1953	71.7	102.5(c)			102.7			
Canada .....	1949	63.2	115.5	115.6	115.5	116.1	116.2	117.0	116.8
Denmark .....	1935	109	220	220					
France (Paris) ....	1949		143.7	142.4	144.2	143.8	141.9	141.7	142.6
India (Bombay) ....	1933 - 1934	106	363	355					
Italy (Rome) ....	1938		105(b)	5,065	5,121	5,182	5,195	5,240	
Malaya .....	January 1949(a)			134	127	126	125	124	
Mexico .....	1939	100.0	451.2	449.0	461.9	479.4	480.5	483.2	
Netherlands .....	1949		120	125	126	127	127	126	
New Zealand .....	1st. qtr. 1949	74.8	133.3			140.0			140.2
Norway .....	1949	63.8	136	139	141	141	145		
South Africa .....	1938	99.9	192.4	194.9	194.7	195.5	195.0	195.3	
Sweden .....	1935	107.5	224.1	228.3	228.0	228.0			
Switzerland .....	August, 1939		169.8	169.6	170.1	170.5	171.0	171.7	
United Kingdom ....	Jan. 15, 1952		105.8	107.0	106.7	107.3	109.1		
United States ....	1947 - 49	59.4	114.4	114.6	115.0	115.1	115.2	115.0	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia .....	1936 - 1939	101.1	322(c)	316	317	317			
Canada .....	1935 - 1939	99.3	220.7	217.9	218.2	217.8	217.4	215.8	215.3
Denmark .....	1935	118	341	341	342	342	342	342	
France .....	1949		138.3	136.8	138.9	134.8	134.4(e)	135.9	134.7
India .....	Sept. '38-Aug. '39		380.6(d)	402.6	396.1	381.6			
Italy .....	1938		5,250	5,295	5,292	5,256(e)	5,246		
Mexico .....	1939	100.0	397.4	419.7	435.2	436.0	438.5	440.4	
Netherlands .....	1948		134	136	137	137			
New Zealand .....	1926 - 1930	107.1	254.6	251.8	251.6	252.8	253.6	252.8	
Norway .....	1938	102	276	279	281	281	284	283	
South Africa .....	1938	97.6	261.2	261.3	261.1				
Sweden .....	1935	115	298	297	296	298	297		
Switzerland .....	August, 1939		212.8	214.5	214.3	214.9	214.3	214.0	
United Kingdom ....	1930	102.8	327.8	329.8	330.9	332.3	332.7	329.5	
United States ....	1947 - 49	50.1	110.1	111.0	110.9	110.0	110.4	110.5	

All indexes are from official sources.

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

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

(c) Average from July 1953 to June 1954.

(d) Average from September 1952 to August 1953.

(e) Revised.

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

PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES, 1949-1952 (VOLUME 23)

The annual report 'Prices and Price Indexes, 1949-1952' (Volume 23) has been released for publication. This report, covering in a comprehensive manner prices and price indexes over the four year period 1949-1952, has, in addition, considerable historical data. In this respect more complete records have been shown for the first time for the Consumer Price Index on the base 1949 = 100 and the Wholesale Price Index on the base 1935-1939 = 100.

Interested users may obtain a copy of this 232 page report by writing to the Dominion Statistician. There is a charge of \$1.50 per copy.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

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. For the crop year August 1, 1952 - July 31, 1953 the price was \$1.82 per bushel. The final payment for the 1952-53 crop year was announced February 25, 1954. 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. Final payments for the crop year August 1, 1952 - July 31, 1953 were announced on October 30, 1953 for oats, and on November 19, 1953 for barley.

The Residential Building Materials Price Index (1935-1939 = 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.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities: Consumer Price Indexes are published monthly in this bulletin for the following cities or city combinations: St. John's, Halifax, Saint John, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Saskatoon-Regina, Edmonton-Calgary and Vancouver. With the exception of the index for St. John's, Newfoundland, which is constructed on the base June 1, 1951 = 100, all indexes are on the base 1949 = 100.

These indexes fulfil the same purpose as the cost-of-living series which they replace, viz.: each index is designed to measure the influence of changes in retail prices taking place in the localities specified upon the cost of a fixed basket of goods and services representing the level of consumption of a representative group of families in those particular areas. They are not designed to show whether it costs more or less to live in one city than another, and should not be used for that purpose.

The regional indexes, with the exception of St. John's, are patterned after the Consumer Price Index for Canada. They are similar to this index in terms of family coverage, item content and weighting system. The construction of each index involved three main phases: 1) the conversion of an existing cost-of-living index from the base August 1939 to the base 1949, up to and including September 1, 1953; 2) the calculation of an entirely new index incorporating a revised weighting system and price sample on the base September 1, 1953 = 100; and 3) the linking of the new series to the converted series as at September 1, 1953 to form a continuous index on the base 1949 = 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 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 99 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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