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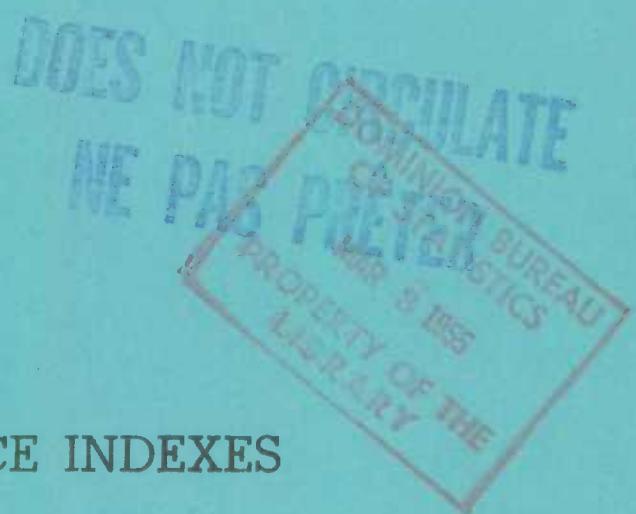
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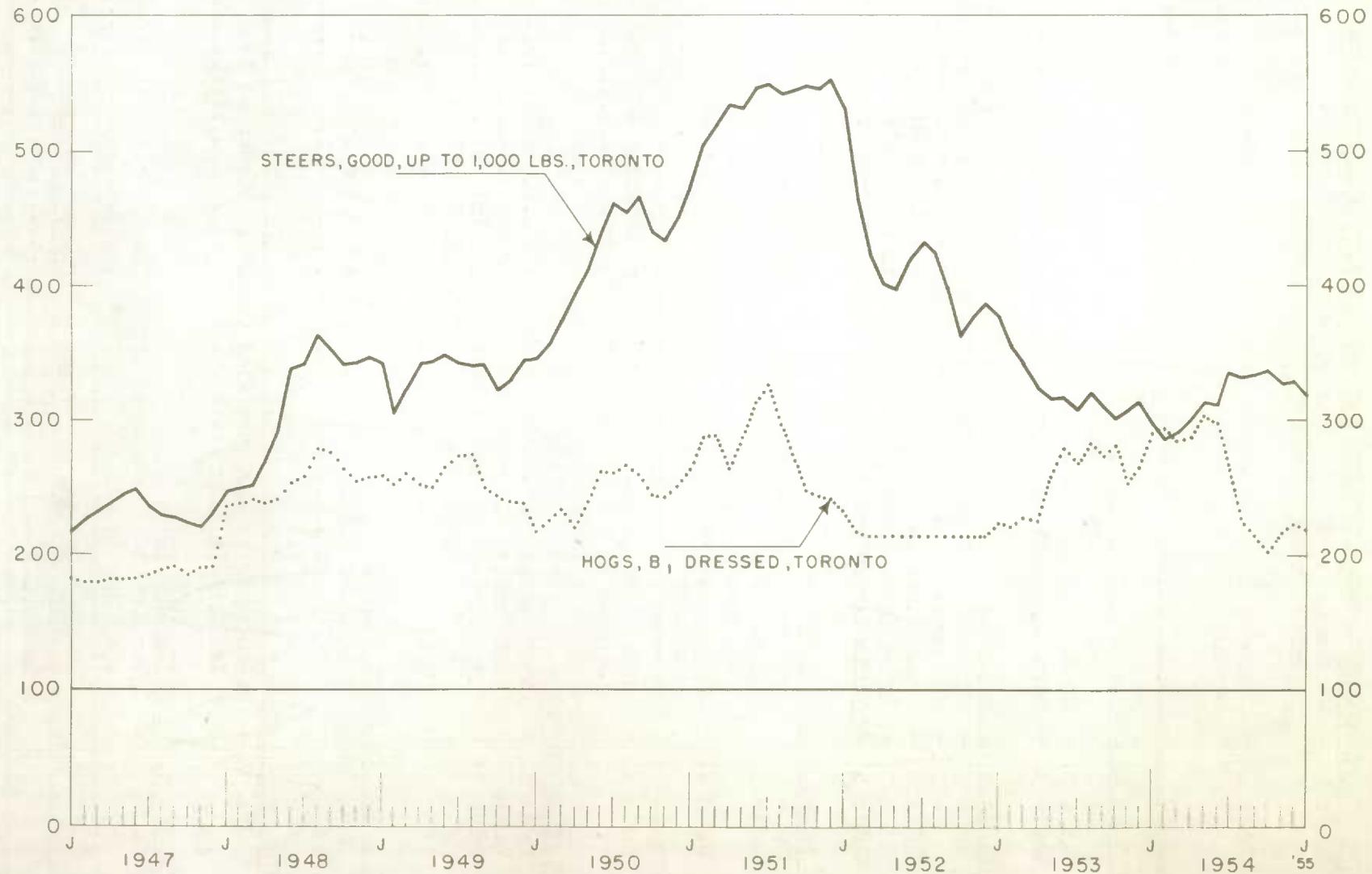
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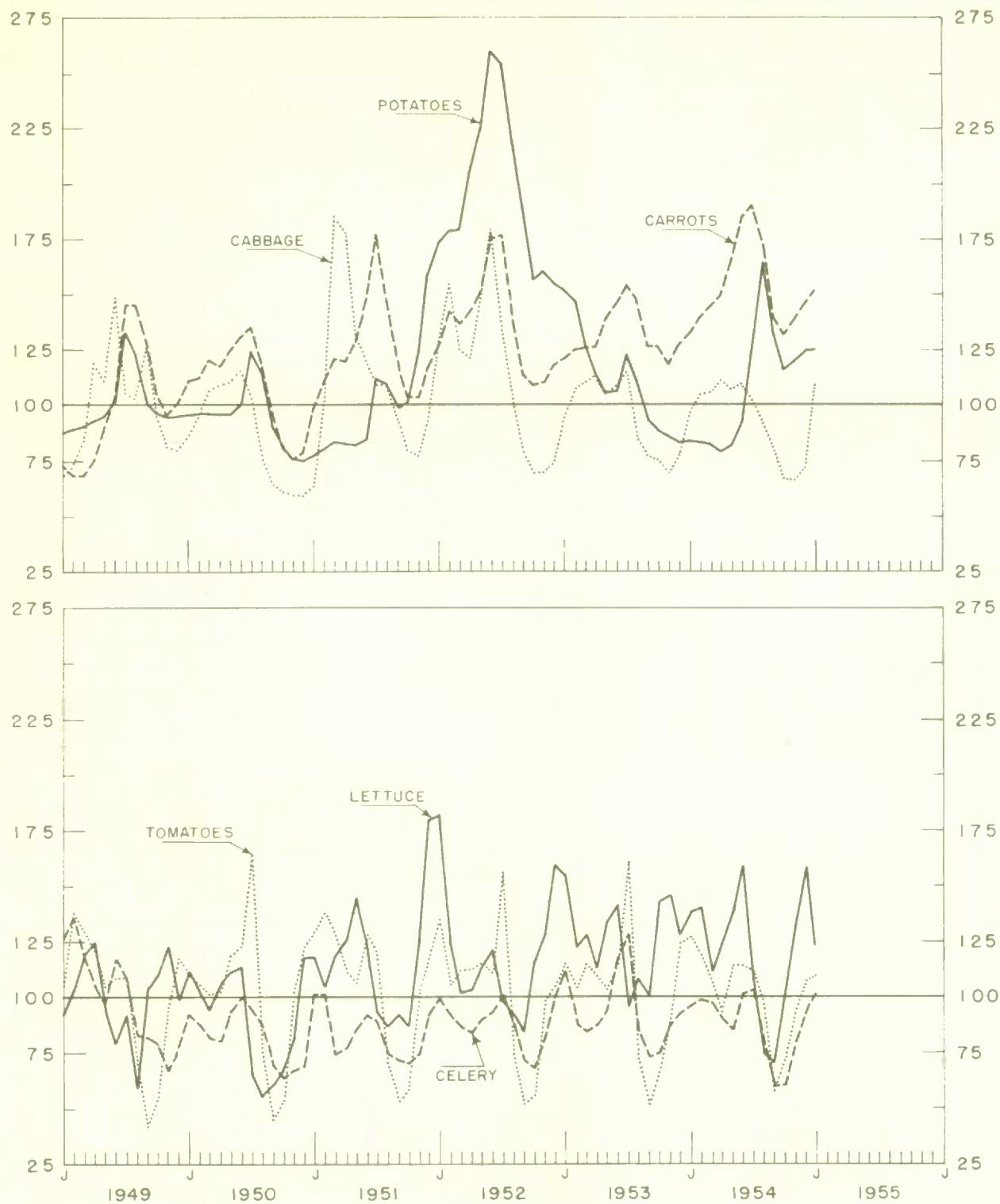
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MONTHLY JANUARY 1947 - JANUARY 1955

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES
PRICE RELATIVES OF SELECTED VEGETABLES
MONTHLY JANUARY 1949—JANUARY 1955
1949=100



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

The Consumer Price Index receded 0.2 per cent from 116.6 to 116.4 between December 1 and January 3. The decrease was due entirely to a drop in foods as the index for this series changed from 112.6 to 112.1. Among foods lower prices were recorded for processed pork products, oranges, bananas, eggs and lettuce while firmer quotations were registered for tea, most fresh vegetables and beef. Shelter, the only other group to change, advanced from 128.2 to 128.4 reflecting increases in both rent and home-ownership. Household operation remained at 117.1 as slight advances in supplies and services were balanced by decreases in a few items of floor coverings, furniture and textiles. In clothing a slight advance in women's wear was cancelled by a decline in men's wear to leave the group index unchanged at 108.1. Other commodities and services were steady at 118.2 although narrow advances were noted for a few drug and personal care items.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

The General Wholesale Price index rose 0.2 per cent, from 215.3 to 215.7 between December 1954 and January 1955, reflecting fractional percentage gains in five

of the eight major groups. Leading in the upward trend, Vegetable Products rose 0.7 per cent, from 195.9 in December to 197.2 in January as moderate advances in grains and strength in raw rubber combined with lesser increases in vegetable oils and their products, canned vegetables, vinegar, rosin, milled cereal foods, live-stock feeds, canned fruits and onions. These outweighed declines in coffee and imported fresh fruits. Animal Products moved up 0.5 per cent from 225.3 to 226.5, reflecting increases in livestock, fresh meats, fishery products, fowl, hides and butter. These more than offset declines in cured meats, leather, lard and eggs. Outweighing a small decline in pig iron, increases in steel scrap were reflected in a gain of 0.5 per cent in Iron and Its Products, moving the index from 213.5 to 214.5. In Non-Metallic Minerals, seasonal increases in crushed stone, sand and gravel combined with advances in glass tumblers and lime to overbalance decreases in coal and crude oil, as the index gained 0.3 per cent, from 175.9 to 176.4. Wood, Wood Products and Paper moved from 289.3 to 289.7, due to advances in spruce lumber, B.C. cedar lumber and shingles, and unbleached sulphite pulp. Newsprint declined slightly reflecting a lower rate for the United States dollar. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products, which recorded the largest group change, moved down 1.3 per cent from 226.9 to 224.0, almost entirely in response to declines in worsted and wool cloth, although imported raw wool also moved lower, while cotton fabrics and cotton knit goods moved up slightly. Chemicals and Allied Products receded 0.2 per cent from 176.9 to 176.6 as decreases in paint materials and fertilizers proved more important than an increase in crude iodine. In the Non-ferrous Metals group the index remained unchanged at 170.6 as an increase in aluminum was balanced by declines in solder, tin ingots, silver and gold.

Canadian Farm Products prices at terminal markets advanced 0.9 per cent between December and January, from 204.7 to 206.5. Animal Products rose 1.0 per cent, from 245.9 to 248.4, as gains in western steers, calves and lambs were supported by increases in western eggs and in eastern fowl and cheese milk. Lower prices were noted for steers and eggs in eastern markets. Field Products rose 0.6 per cent, from 163.5 to 164.5, reflecting increases in Ontario wheat, eastern and western rye, flax, and western potatoes, which were partially offset by decreases in eastern potatoes.

The index of Residential Building Materials declined 0.1 per cent, from 278.7 to 278.5 as price decreases for building paper, asphalt shingles, roofing felts and roofing pitch more than outweighed increases in spruce lumber, cedar bevel siding, cedar shingles, sand and gravel. Non-residential Building Materials (1949 = 100), stood at 121.1 in January. Although seasonal increases in sand, gravel and crushed stone and small increases in lumber and electrical conduit were almost balanced by declines in roofing materials, price revisions in heating equipment, electrical equipment and electrical fixtures which were reported too late for inclusion in 1954 indexes were responsible for an increase of 0.6 per cent over the December index of 120.4.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

Common stock prices averaged fractionally higher in January as the Investors' index for 101 issues changed from 206.8 in December to 207.3 in the month under review. Weekly index changes, however, indicated a sharp drop at the beginning of the month from which price averages had not entirely recovered as the month closed. From a level of 212.1 for the week of December 30th the composite index dropped to 205.6 for the week of January 6th, while the month's closing index of 209.6 indicated a net loss of 2.5 points.

Among group indexes, banks registered the greatest monthly change as the index for 8 issues advanced from 227.0 for December to 230.8 for January. The index for 79 industrials changed from 210.5 to 211.0, while 14 utilities, on the other hand, receded 0.8 points, from 181.8 to 181.0. Monthly average sub-group index movements were generally small as advances occurred for pulp and paper, milling, textiles and clothing, food and allied products, building materials, industrial mines and power and traction stocks. Lower indexes were noted for machinery and equipment, oils, beverages, and transportation and communication issues.

Mining stocks registered moderate strength in January as the composite series for 27 representative issues changed from 100.9 in December to 102.7 in the opening month of 1955. Both sub-groups advanced slightly, the index for 22 golds changed from 67.6 in December to 68.3 in January, and that for 5 base metals from 177.2 to 181.3.

Preferred stocks at index level of 175.6 for January registered a narrow gain over the December figure of 175.4.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE MOVEMENTS

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

Note: 1954 and 1955 Wholesale Price Indexes are subject to revision.

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Jan.	Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.
	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1954</u>
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	221.5	219.8	215.3	215.7	- 2.6	- 1.9	+ 0.2
Vegetable Products	202.1	201.3	195.9	197.2	- 2.4	- 2.0	+ 0.7
Animal Products	239.3	245.0	225.3	226.5	- 5.3	- 7.6	+ 0.5
Textile Products	241.4	234.5	226.9	224.0	- 7.2	- 4.5	- 1.3
Wood Products	289.8	284.5	289.3	289.7	-0.04	+ 1.8	+ 0.1
Iron Products	221.6	216.1	213.5	214.5	- 3.2	- 0.7	+ 0.5
Non-ferrous Metals	169.6	165.6	170.6	170.6	+ 0.6	+ 3.0	-
Non-metallic Minerals	175.4	179.3	175.9	176.4	+ 0.6	- 1.6	+ 0.3
Chemical Products	177.1	175.4	176.9	176.6	- 0.3	+ 0.7	- 0.2
<u>FARM PRODUCTS</u>	234.0	212.9	204.7	206.5	-11.8	- 3.0	+ 0.9
Field	201.6	159.4	163.5	164.5	-18.4	+ 3.2	+ 0.6
Animal	266.4	266.3	245.9	248.4	- 6.8	- 6.7	+ 1.0

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIESBETWEEN DECEMBER 1954 AND JANUARY 1955

	<u>INCREASES</u>	<u>DECREASES</u>
Calves, Winnipeg	23.4	p.c. 17.0
Beef carcass, steer, Vancouver	18.5	Wool cloth, worsted 12.6
Veal carcass, Winnipeg	16.7	Lard, Vancouver 12.4
Vinegar	13.9	Potatoes, Saint John 10.1
Iodine	13.5	Zinc oxide 9.1
Raw rubber, No. 1, smoked sheets	12.7	Lemons, Toronto 6.5
Lambs, Toronto	11.7	Solder 6.3
Lamb carcass, Toronto	11.6	Pork carcass, Montreal 5.6
Potatoes, Winnipeg	11.3	Bananas, Toronto 5.5
Wheat, Ontario	10.4	Tartaric acid 5.3
Steel scrap	10.0	Ham, Vancouver 4.9
Onions, Vancouver	8.6	Eggs, Grade "A" large, Halifax 4.6
Lamb skins	8.3	Bacon, Toronto 4.0
Eggs, Grade "A" large, Vancouver	7.1	Coffee beans, green, Santos 2.8
Canned cherries	7.0	Crude oil, Alberta 2.5

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Jan.	Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.
	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1954</u>
TOTAL INDEX	115.7	115.7	116.6	116.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.6	- 0.2
Food	113.5	111.6	112.6	112.1	- 1.2	+ 0.4	- 0.4
Shelter	122.3	125.4	128.2	128.4	+ 5.0	+ 2.4	+ 0.2
Clothing	109.7	110.1	108.1	108.1	- 1.5	- 1.8	-
Household Operation	116.5	117.5	117.1	117.1	+ 0.5	- 0.3	-
Other Commodities and Services	116.7	116.4	118.2	118.2	+ 1.3	+ 1.5	-

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN DECEMBER 1954 AND JANUARY 1955

	<u>INCREASES</u>	p.c.		<u>DECREASES</u>	p.c.
Cabbage	50.0		Lettuce		22.1
Celery	7.5		Oranges		6.9
Tea	4.4		Eggs		3.8
Carrots	3.6		Bananas		3.5
Onions	2.4		Apple juice		2.5
Laxatives	2.4		Bacon		1.5
Apples	2.2		Picnic shoulder		1.5
Lamb, leg roast	2.2		Carpet		1.4
Canned tomatoes	1.9		Men's undershirt		1.0
Turnips	1.9		Smoked ham		.9

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Jan.	Jan.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.
	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1954</u>
Total Investors' Index	172.3	157.4	206.8	207.3	+ 20.3	+ 31.7	+ 0.2
Total Industrials	174.3	156.5	210.5	211.0	+ 21.1	+ 34.8	+ 0.2
Machinery & Equipment	432.9	395.3	554.9	554.2	+ 28.0	+ 40.2	- 0.1
Pulp & Paper	502.5	562.6	830.4	840.5	+ 67.3	+ 49.4	+ 1.2
Milling	132.6	129.3	156.5	157.9	+ 19.1	+ 22.1	+ 0.9
Oils	147.3	126.1	163.5	161.0	+ 9.3	+ 27.7	- 1.5
Textiles & Clothing	279.0	168.8	175.2	179.6	- 35.6	+ 6.4	+ 2.5
Foods	115.2	122.9	150.8	154.7	+ 34.3	+ 25.9	+ 2.6
Beverages	382.5	434.5	521.5	511.0	+ 33.6	+ 17.6	- 2.0
Building Materials	293.6	283.6	385.6	395.9	+ 34.8	+ 39.6	+ 2.7
Industrial Mines	137.0	102.7	149.3	152.5	+ 11.3	+ 48.5	+ 2.1
Total Utilities	167.9	149.1	181.8	181.0	+ 7.8	+ 21.4	- 0.4
Transportation	353.6	265.4	337.5	329.6	- 6.8	+ 24.2	- 2.3
Telephone	97.8	102.5	118.6	117.5	+ 20.1	+ 14.6	- 0.9
Power and Traction	146.3	131.5	162.9	165.6	+ 13.2	+ 25.9	+ 1.7
Banks	162.0	185.5	227.0	230.8	+ 42.5	+ 24.4	+ 1.7
Mining Stocks							
General Index	106.0	81.9	100.9	102.7	- 3.1	+ 25.4	+ 1.8
Golds	73.5	60.3	67.6	68.3	- 7.1	+ 13.3	+ 1.0
Base Metals	180.6	131.2	177.2	181.3	+ 0.4	+ 38.2	+ 2.3

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	178.1	263.8	220.9
1953 Aug.	222.2	210.1	229.7	231.4	164.3	269.9	217.1
Sept. ...	221.2	207.1	229.8	228.8	161.0	263.7	212.4
Oct.	220.4	205.0	228.8	227.0	158.8	265.3	212.0
Nov.	218.7	203.3	228.0	225.8	158.7	258.0	208.4
Dec.	219.0	204.4	227.6	225.8	158.9	261.6	210.2
1954 Jan.	219.8	206.5	227.8	224.1	159.4	266.3	212.9
Feb.	219.0	205.1	227.3	223.6	160.0	264.7	212.3
Mar.	218.6	204.3	226.9	222.8	158.3	262.0	210.2
Apr.	217.9	205.7	225.1	223.9	157.6	260.4	209.0
May.	218.2	207.5	224.5	224.2	158.2	268.0	213.1
June	217.8	206.7	224.5	223.9	158.9	267.3	213.1
July	217.4	207.4	223.6	224.2	173.6	262.1	217.8
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
Oct.	214.3	201.4	221.8	223.3	161.8	240.5	201.1
Nov.	214.8	202.1	222.2	224.1	164.0	243.6	203.8
Dec.	215.3	203.4	222.3	224.0	163.5	245.9	204.7
1955 Jan.	215.7	205.0	222.1	225.9	164.5	248.4	206.5

(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 Sale Index	Total Pro- ducts	Whole- Sale Vege- table Index	Total Grains Pro- ducts	Milled Cereal Foods	Live- stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned
	1953 Average	220.7	199.0	201.0	200.3	211.7	182.5	149.8	174.7	145.4
	1953 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	
Oct.	214.3	194.6	184.6	147.3	188.0	188.0	184.1	168.8	157.5	
Nov.	214.8	195.0	186.2	148.7	188.0	188.0	166.5	175.7	157.5	
Dec.	215.3	195.9	186.6	148.0	207.4	188.0	157.2	175.7	157.5	
1955 Jan.	215.7	197.2	189.3	148.3	207.8	188.0	155.7	175.7	158.7	
- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - Concluded										
Vege- table Oils 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
1953 Average	297.4	176.8	162.1	356.3	171.8	209.7	181.1			172.7
1953 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
Oct.	270.4	176.2	148.5	443.0	215.4	197.0	213.7			181.0
Nov.	256.5	177.8	149.0	444.8	225.6	219.4	213.7			181.0
Dec.	261.5	179.5	149.0	448.5	219.7	223.8	213.7			181.0
1955 Jan.	264.9	183.6	149.0	445.5	219.7	228.8	216.6			181.0

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

		- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -							
Date		Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanufactured	Boots and Shoes	Livestock	Steers
1953	Average .	241.7	259.4	99.3	154.2	213.1	204.5	288.1	323.5
1953	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
	Oct.	221.9	266.6	84.2	98.1	205.5	204.3	258.5	330.4
	Nov.	224.8	270.4	84.2	105.0	202.2	204.0	262.1	322.3
	Dec.	225.3	269.4	84.2	100.9	202.2	204.0	268.9	325.5
1955	Jan.	226.5	274.1	84.2	103.0	191.9	204.0	273.7	325.6

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

		Beef Meats, Fresh and Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Products	Butter	Oils and Fats	Eggs	
1953	Average .	292.5	318.6	236.7	220.1	226.0	232.3	133.4	194.2
1953	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
	Oct.	261.1	292.8	193.3	144.6	222.9	222.9	154.0	168.5
	Nov.	261.1	286.9	198.6	165.7	229.3	235.9	158.9	152.0
	Dec.	265.1	290.2	195.8	147.6	230.0	237.4	156.4	134.8
1955	Jan.	269.9	299.4	189.6	156.6	230.3	238.1	152.9	134.0

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

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS -

Date		Total Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	Raw Cotton	Cotton 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	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
	Oct. ..	229.3	289.7	222.8	230.1	222.4	210.6	169.5	158.3
	Nov. ..	227.8	286.0	227.4	230.4	219.2	210.6	169.5	158.3
	Dec. ..	226.9	291.1	227.4	230.4	219.2	210.6	169.5	158.3
1955	Jan. ..	224.0	291.1	227.4	230.7	219.3	210.6	169.5	158.3

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Rayon Yarns	Raw Wool, Do-mestic	Raw Wool, Im-portered	Yarns, Worsted	Hosiery and Knit Goods, Chiefly Wool	Wool Blan-kets	Worsted and Wool Cloth	Carpets
1953	Average	176.9	260.3	249.7	221.3	241.7	252.5	265.6
1953	Oct. ..	176.9	252.5	261.5	228.5	234.8	252.5	268.5
	Nov. ..	176.9	265.1	268.7	225.3	234.8	252.5	268.4
	Dec. ..	176.9	259.0	252.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	267.5
1954	Jan. ..	176.9	250.8	251.9	220.2	236.1	252.5	264.6
	Feb. ..	176.9	253.8	247.5	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.5
	Mar. ..	176.9	248.6	240.2	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.5
	Apr. ..	176.9	257.9	247.1	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.2
	May ..	176.9	278.5	258.7	216.3	235.6	252.5	262.1
	June ..	176.9	278.5	266.9	219.5	235.6	252.5	263.2
	July ..	176.9	278.5	255.1	219.5	235.6	252.5	261.7
	Aug. ..	176.9	278.5	255.1	219.9	235.6	252.5	259.7
	Sept. ..	176.9	267.0	249.4	213.4	235.6	252.5	257.6
	Oct. ..	176.9	263.8	234.3	213.4	234.4	252.5	254.8
	Nov. ..	176.9	236.9	200.3	209.6	233.4	252.5	254.0
	Dec. ..	158.3	239.9	207.5	197.7	230.9	252.5	254.0
1955	Jan. ..	158.3	239.9	202.3	197.7	230.9	252.5	234.5

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

		- WOOD, WOOD PRODUCTS AND PAPER -									
Date	Total Wood Products	Lumber and Timber	Spruce	Hard-woods	Hem-lock	Fir	Cedar	Wood-pulp	News-print	Wrapping 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	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
	Oct. ..	289.1	430.0	383.7	310.1	369.8	528.6	431.7	200.4	283.3	227.6
	Nov. ..	289.0	429.9	381.9	310.1	369.8	528.6	433.7	199.8	283.0	227.6
	Dec. ..	289.3	432.6	381.9	310.1	369.8	533.4	440.3	199.4	282.3	227.6
1955	Jan. ..	289.7	435.7	389.8	310.1	369.8	533.4	448.5	201.2	281.6	227.6
- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -											
	Total Iron Products	Pig Iron	Rolling Mill Products	Pipe and Tubing	Hardware	Wire	Scrap Iron and Steel	Tin Plate and Galvanized Sheet			
1953	Average	221.4	261.2	209.4	238.3	224.5	249.2	298.1	223.5		
1953	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		
	Oct. ..	212.3	254.7	205.7	228.7	217.4	233.2	200.9	220.5		
	Nov. ..	213.5	254.7	205.9	228.7	217.4	233.2	228.1	220.5		
	Dec. ..	213.5	254.7	205.9	228.7	217.4	233.2	228.1	220.5		
1955	Jan. ..	214.5	253.8	206.3	228.7	217.4	233.2	246.0	220.5		

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued 13.
(1935-39 = 100)

Date	- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)	
	Total Non-Ferrous Metals (1)	Anti-mony (2)	Copper and Its Pro-ducts	Lead and Its Pro-ducts	Silver	Tin	Zinc and 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 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
Oct.	168.5	226.2	175.6	276.6	297.0	213.4	174.1	276.1	200.6	218.1
Nov.	168.4	226.2	175.6	276.5	297.2	213.4	172.1	276.1	200.6	218.8
Dec.	170.6	230.2	175.6	276.2	297.2	213.2	170.6	277.3	200.6	220.5
1955 Jan.	170.6	230.2	175.6	276.2	297.2	212.7	166.4	277.3	187.9	221.0
- 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 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		
Oct.	175.7	231.6	153.7	171.1	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
Nov.	175.7	231.6	153.7	171.5	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
Dec.	175.9	231.6	153.7	172.4	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
1955 Jan.	176.4	231.6	153.7	172.0	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 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
Oct.	189.3	164.9	134.7	133.5	184.1	150.4	198.2
Nov.	189.3	164.7	134.7	133.5	184.1	150.4	197.9
Dec.	189.3	164.7	134.7	133.5	184.1	150.4	197.5
1955 Jan.	189.3	164.5	134.7	133.5	184.1	138.1	197.0

- 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 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
Oct.	127.9	199.3	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
Nov.	127.9	199.3	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
Dec.	127.9	199.3	153.8	142.6	155.7	200.7	267.1
1955 Jan.	127.9	205.5	153.8	144.8	183.7	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 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
Oct.	177.1	141.5	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
Nov.	176.9	141.8	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
Dec.	176.9	142.0	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
1955 Jan.	176.6	142.0	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 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
Oct.	137.4	189.1	163.9	127.4	206.6
Nov.	137.4	189.1	165.0	126.0	206.6
Dec.	137.4	189.1	165.0	124.1	206.6
1955 Jan.	137.4	189.1	163.0	125.2	206.6

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS
(1935-39 = 100)

Date	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -										
	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	Other Materials and Fixtures
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>											
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
Oct.	122.2	278.6	151.1	207.4	402.5	129.2	242.2	211.2	203.0	205.6	225.5
Nov.	122.1	278.4	151.1	207.4	401.9	129.2	242.2	211.7	203.0	205.6	225.5
Dec.	122.2	278.7	149.1	207.4	403.3	126.9	245.4	212.5	203.0	205.6	225.5
<u>1955</u>											
Jan.	122.1	278.5	149.6	207.4	403.6	125.1	239.0	212.5	203.0	208.0	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)

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 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
Oct.	120.5	120.6	127.5	121.1	124.8	114.7	112.1
Nov.	120.5	120.8	127.5	121.1	124.9	114.7	112.1
Dec.	120.4	120.1	127.5	120.8	125.3	114.7	112.1
1955 Jan.	121.1	121.1	127.5	121.0	125.4	115.1	116.3
		Steel and Metal Work	Hard-ware	Lath, Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscel-laneous Materials
1950	107.3	103.3	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 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	
Oct.	125.2	125.2	110.4	133.1	128.3	100.2	
Nov.	125.2	125.2	110.4	133.1	128.3	100.2	
Dec.	125.2	125.2	108.2	133.2	128.4	100.2	
1955 Jan.	126.2	125.2	108.2	124.5	128.4	100.2	

TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly Average 1953	Jan. 1954	Dec. 1954	Jan. 1955
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, Domestic ..	bu.	1.919	1.885	1.706	1.720
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, I.W.A.	bu.	1.882	1.885	1.706	1.720
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.747	.750	.946	.948
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.110	.920	1.145	1.190
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.286	1.008	1.136	1.168
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bbl.	11.195	12.100	11.400	11.400
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal .	cwt.	7.620	7.315	7.078	7.078
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.337	1.200	1.120	1.120
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.684	.830	.780	.758
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75 lb.bag	1.471	.912	2.175	1.956
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.969	18.460	20.300	19.740
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	30.823	34.660	26.800	26.240
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.175	.150	.138	.140
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.720	.720	.720	.620
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b.					
Ontario factory	sq.ft.	.370	.370	.350	.350
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal ...	lb.	.610	.627	.626	.626
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.648	.490	.442	.428
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.333	.332	.339	.339
COTTON YARNS, 10's white	lb.	.698	.645	.650	.650
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ..	lb.	.508	.480	.480	.480
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Canadian Mill					
(Southern Quebec)	ton	109.793	108.656	108.097	107.817
PIG IRON, Malleable	gr. ton	58.000	58.000	56.500	56.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales ..	cwt.	30.004	29.191	29.044	N.A.
LEAD, Pig, domestic sales	cwt.	12.896	12.750	14.250	14.250
TIN INGOTS	lb.	.961	.873	.909	.887
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic,					
domestic sales	cwt.	11.942	11.100	12.850	12.850
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	20.768	19.930	19.490	19.240
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.223	.231	.221	.221
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb.sq.	8.450	8.450	8.450	7.760
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume	ton	25.175	26.350	26.350	26.350

1/ Complete description and basis of quoting available upon request.
N.A. Not available

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

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	Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House-hold 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	73.3	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
1954	116.2	112.2	126.5	109.4	117.4	117.4
<u>1952</u>	June 2	116.0	115.7	120.4	111.8	115.7
	July 2	116.1	116.0	120.6	111.7	115.9
	August 1	116.0	115.7	120.6	111.6	115.8
	September 2	116.1	115.8	121.2	110.9	116.0
	October 1	116.0	115.1	121.5	109.9	116.2
	November 1	116.1	115.7	121.4	109.8	115.9
	December 1	115.8	114.1	122.2	109.7	116.1
<u>1953</u>	January 2	115.7	113.5	122.3	109.7	116.5
	February 2	115.5	112.7	122.5	109.6	116.6
	March 2	114.8	111.6	122.5	109.7	116.7
	April 1	114.6	110.9	122.7	109.7	116.9
	May 1	114.4	110.1	122.9	110.1	116.6
	June 1	114.9	111.4	123.6	110.1	115.1
	July 2	115.4	112.7	123.9	110.3	115.2
	August 1	115.7	112.8	124.1	110.4	115.8
	September 1	116.2	114.0	124.2	110.4	115.9
	October 1	116.7	115.5	124.5	110.3	116.0
	November 2	116.2	113.4	125.0	110.3	116.3
	December 1	115.8	112.1	125.2	110.2	116.3
<u>1954</u>	January 2	115.7	111.6	125.4	110.1	116.4
	February 1	115.7	111.7	125.4	110.0	116.5
	March 1	115.5	110.7	125.6	109.8	116.6
	April 1	115.6	110.4	125.6	109.9	117.2
	May 1	115.5	110.2	125.8	109.9	117.3
	June 1	116.1	112.0	126.4	109.7	117.1
	July 2	116.2	112.1	126.6	109.6	117.2
	August 2	117.0	114.4	127.0	109.6	117.2
	September 1	116.8	113.8	127.2	109.5	117.2
	October 1	116.8	113.8	127.4	108.4	117.3
	November 1	116.8	113.4	127.9	108.2	117.2
	December 1	116.6	112.6	128.2	108.1	117.1
<u>1955</u>	January 3	116.4	112.1	128.4	108.1	118.2

TABLE 10. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES - MAIN GROUPS AND SELECTED COMPONENTS

(1949 = 100)

	1952	1953	1954	Jan. 1953	Jan. 1954	Nov. 1954	Dec. 1954	Jan. 1955
<u>Total Index</u>	116.5	115.5	116.2	115.7	115.7	116.8	116.6	116.4
<u>Food</u>	116.8	112.6	112.2	113.5	111.6	113.4	112.6	112.1
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	113.3	112.4	111.8	113.4	112.8	111.5	112.7	112.9
Cereal Products	117.4	119.3	122.4	117.0	122.4	122.3	122.3	122.3
Meats, Fish and Poultry	115.5	108.2	105.8	109.9	109.2	104.2	104.9	103.6
<u>Shelter</u>	120.2	123.6	126.5	122.3	125.4	127.9	128.2	128.4
Rent	120.9	125.4	129.8	123.5	128.0	131.6	131.9	132.1
Home-Ownership	119.3	121.2	122.2	120.7	121.9	122.9	123.3	123.4
<u>Clothing</u>	111.8	110.1	109.4	109.7	110.1	108.2	108.1	108.1
Men's Wear	115.2	113.5	113.8	113.4	113.9	113.5	113.5	113.4
Women's Wear	104.8	102.5	100.9	101.8	102.3	98.5	98.3	98.4
Children's Wear	111.5	108.6	107.5	109.5	108.2	106.5	106.4	106.4
Footwear	127.2	127.7	127.6	127.4	127.6	127.3	127.2	127.2
Piece Goods	107.4	106.2	108.7	104.7	108.4	108.7	108.7	108.7
<u>Household Operation</u>	116.2	117.0	117.4	116.5	117.5	117.2	117.1	117.1
Fuel and Lighting	113.4	115.6	115.1	115.1	116.4	114.6	114.7	114.9
Home Furnishings	117.6	116.7	115.6	116.3	116.3	115.0	114.8	114.6
Furniture	115.6	117.2	117.6	115.9	118.1	117.0	116.8	116.7
Utensils and Equipment	118.9	121.2	122.1	120.2	121.4	122.7	122.6	122.6
Supplies and Services	116.8	118.7	121.8	117.9	120.2	122.5	122.5	122.6
Supplies	112.4	113.5	115.8	113.1	115.0	116.0	116.0	116.1
Services	119.7	122.2	126.0	121.2	123.8	127.0	127.0	127.0
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	116.0	115.8	117.4	116.7	116.4	118.2	118.2	118.2
Transportation	117.4	119.2	120.0	118.7	119.8	120.5	120.5	120.5
Automobile Operation	114.9	114.5	114.7	114.0	115.2	114.1	114.1	114.1
Recreation	115.7	116.7	119.5	117.6	118.5	121.2	121.2	121.2
Health Care	118.8	122.0	127.4	119.9	123.8	129.2	129.2	129.3
Drugs	107.9	108.7	109.5	108.3	109.1	110.1	110.1	110.7
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	113.3	108.0	107.3	112.4	107.2	107.3	107.3	107.3
Personal Care	115.5	115.9	117.9	115.6	116.6	118.3	118.3	118.6
Personal Supplies	112.7	111.5	113.6	111.7	111.8	113.9	113.9	114.3

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>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>1954</u>	99.7	109.4	116.8	113.2	96.6	95.6	99.0	117.5
<u>1953</u> Dec. 1	98.2	104.8	116.1	118.0	95.3	102.4	102.5	117.9
<u>1954</u> Jan. 2	99.9	106.2	118.1	115.6	95.3	103.8	102.8	117.6
Feb. 1	99.9	105.8	122.2	117.7	94.9	103.9	103.2	117.9
July 2	100.3	111.1	122.1	122.0	94.5	95.1	95.3	117.9
Aug. 2	101.3	115.2	119.2	118.0	94.1	93.7	95.6	117.9
Sept. 1	101.1	116.6	113.6	109.5	95.7	90.0	96.1	116.9
Oct. 1	101.1	115.0	106.9	102.9	100.6	87.2	96.4	116.9
Nov. 1	101.5	113.5	104.2	97.0	102.6	86.0	98.0	116.9
Dec. 1	101.1	112.1	105.0	95.6	103.4	85.5	102.1	116.9
<u>1955</u> Jan. 3	102.1	112.8	105.0	94.2	103.4	86.7	102.6	117.9
	Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Toma- toes, Fresh	Carrots
<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>1954</u>	91.8	92.9	99.0	116.8	119.2	107.6	101.4	153.2
<u>1953</u> Dec. 1	91.1	98.2	96.8	99.4	119.5	84.1	124.5	127.9
<u>1954</u> Jan. 2	92.3	88.6	96.3	94.6	118.9	84.4	127.5	133.2
Feb. 1	92.9	91.9	97.2	95.7	119.5	83.8	118.9	139.9
July 2	92.3	95.9	99.7	120.4	118.9	125.2	111.6	190.5
Aug. 2	92.3	99.5	100.1	132.6	118.3	164.8	96.7	171.9
Sept. 1	92.3	102.4	100.6	134.3	119.5	133.5	57.7	139.9
Oct. 1	91.7	105.5	100.1	138.0	119.5	116.5	72.7	131.9
Nov. 1	91.4	101.4	101.1	123.5	119.5	120.9	95.0	139.9
Dec. 1	91.4	85.2	101.6	111.0	119.5	124.9	107.8	146.5
<u>1955</u> Jan. 3	91.4	81.9	101.6	103.4	119.5	125.2	109.5	151.9
	Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Granu- lated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
<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>1954</u>	118.5	111.6	126.8	110.2	101.8	107.5	105.4	200.9
<u>1953</u> Dec. 1	118.5	110.3	126.8	113.3	104.1	106.1	97.8	167.8
<u>1954</u> Jan. 2	118.5	110.6	126.8	113.3	104.1	106.1	98.2	169.1
Feb. 1	118.5	110.6	126.8	111.9	104.1	106.5	99.6	178.3
July 2	118.5	112.7	126.8	110.5	100.8	106.1	105.6	219.9
Aug. 2	118.5	112.4	126.8	110.5	100.8	107.4	107.5	220.5
Sept. 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	109.0	100.8	108.2	108.5	208.6
Oct. 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	109.0	99.7	109.1	108.9	201.7
Nov. 1	118.5	112.0	126.8	107.6	100.8	110.0	111.8	195.9
Dec. 1	118.5	112.0	126.8	107.6	100.8	110.8	115.9	193.8
<u>1955</u> Jan. 3	118.5	112.4	126.8	107.6	100.8	110.8	121.1	193.2

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 Nfld.	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	100.0	
1950	102.1	103.3	103.7	103.1	104.1	103.8	102.2	103.9	103.6	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	
1954	102.8	114.1	116.6	116.8	116.2	118.3	115.3	114.2	114.9	117.4	
<u>1952</u>	January 2	103.9	116.5	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	102.5	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
	October 1	103.0	114.6	117.6	117.0	117.3	118.9	115.5	115.2	115.6	118.6
	November 1	102.8	114.5	117.5	117.1	117.2	118.9	115.7	114.8	115.3	118.6
	December 1	102.9	114.5	117.5	117.0	117.0	118.8	115.5	113.9	115.0	118.3
<u>1955</u>	January 3	102.6	114.3	117.4	117.1	117.0	118.9	115.5	113.9	114.6	118.4

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

		St. John's Nfld. ¹	Hali- 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>	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
	October 1	101.3	108.4	113.8	115.0	113.8	111.9	111.7	114.1	112.7	113.5
	November 1	100.9	107.5	113.4	115.6	112.7	111.2	112.0	112.5	112.1	112.3
	December 1	101.1	107.8	113.2	115.3	112.0	110.5	110.9	110.2	110.7	111.6
<u>1955</u>	January 3	101.1	107.0	112.9	115.1	111.2	110.6	110.8	110.1	110.0	111.8
<u>Shelter Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	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
	October 1	107.5	123.3	122.1	134.0	129.7	142.5	124.4	114.9	120.9	125.8
	November 1	107.5	123.3	122.6	134.1	130.9	143.7	124.9	115.0	121.0	126.0
	December 1	107.5	123.3	124.1	134.1	131.1	144.7	125.7	115.2	121.0	126.1
<u>1955</u>	January 3	108.0	123.3	124.1	134.4	131.9	145.2	125.7	115.4	121.0	126.1

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	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
<u>Clothing Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	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
	October 1	101.9	115.2	117.9	107.3	111.8	110.5	113.1	116.4	112.8	112.7
	November 1	101.8	114.9	117.9	107.1	111.3	110.4	112.5	116.4	112.6	112.7
	December 1	101.8	114.5	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.4	112.4	114.9	112.6	112.6
<u>1955</u>	January 3	101.8	114.4	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.4	112.7	114.9	112.6	112.6
<u>Household Operation</u>											
	<u>Index</u>										
<u>1953</u>	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
	October 1	103.3	119.0	116.4	116.0	116.4	116.5	113.5	118.4	115.5	125.5
	November 1	102.9	118.9	116.4	115.9	116.4	116.1	113.6	118.4	115.5	125.4
	December 1	103.0	119.0	116.4	115.8	116.3	116.0	113.6	117.9	115.7	125.4
<u>1955</u>	January 3	100.8	119.0	116.4	115.8	116.7	116.2	113.5	117.9	115.7	125.4
<u>Other Commodities and Services Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	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
	October 1	103.5	116.1	123.0	116.8	119.1	119.1	117.6	113.0	118.3	121.3
	November 1	103.5	116.9	123.0	116.8	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.0	118.7	122.6
	December 1	103.5	116.9	123.0	116.8	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.7	122.4
<u>1955</u>	January 3	103.6	116.9	123.0	116.9	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.4	122.4

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 - 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	57.35	49.02	137.5	117.5	117.0
Sept. 1	57.06	48.85	136.8	117.1	116.8
Oct. 1	57.70	49.40	138.3	118.4	116.8
Nov. 1	58.03	49.68	139.1	119.1	116.8
Dec. 1	58.17(P)	49.89(P)	139.5(P)	119.6(P)	116.6

(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	Machin- ery and Equip- ment			Pulp and Paper			Mill- ing		Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Build- ing Mat- erials
	Inves- tors' Total	Total Indus- trial Trials	Indus- trial Equipment	(101)	(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			
1954	181.2	182.3	480.1	692.9	141.9	144.4	161.7	136.2	479.6	326.1			
<u>1953</u> 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			
Oct. ..	190.2	191.9	499.0	740.0	156.8	150.8	167.0	144.9	500.0	342.7			
Nov. ..	199.5	203.0	523.2	789.3	158.4	158.4	170.2	150.9	519.8	358.7			
Dec. ..	206.8	210.5	554.9	830.4	156.5	163.5	175.2	150.8	521.5	385.6			
<u>1955</u> Jan. ..	207.3	211.0	554.2	840.5	157.9	161.0	179.6	154.7	511.0	395.9			

Weekly Index

Jan. 6	205.6	209.0	546.3	827.2	154.0	161.7	179.1	153.2	511.5	392.5
Jan. 13	207.8	211.6	554.7	835.6	158.1	164.4	178.5	154.8	511.7	394.8
Jan. 20	206.1	209.7	551.5	838.0	158.1	159.1	180.6	154.6	512.1	393.5
Jan. 27	209.6	213.8	564.3	861.1	161.5	158.9	180.1	156.1	508.5	402.9

TABLE 14. - 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 (3)	Power and Traction (9)	Banks (8)	Mining Total (27)	Golds (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
1953	118.1	157.2	297.5	99.2	142.4	168.9	92.1	66.2	151.3
1954	123.2	165.0	291.6	111.0	150.2	208.0	91.3	64.8	151.9
1953 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
1954 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
Oct. ..	132.0	171.4	296.6	115.4	158.8	217.4	95.0	66.2	161.0
Nov. ..	144.5	173.8	314.6	115.6	156.6	224.2	97.0	65.6	168.7
Dec. ..	149.3	181.8	337.5	118.6	162.9	227.0	100.9	67.6	177.2
1955 Jan. ..	152.5	181.0	329.6	117.5	165.6	230.8	102.7	68.3	181.3

Weekly Index

Jan. 6	148.3	180.5	328.7	116.7	166.0	230.3	100.7	67.9	175.8
Jan. 13	150.3	181.9	333.1	117.2	167.2	229.3	103.3	68.9	181.9
Jan. 20	151.5	180.0	326.7	117.7	163.8	230.9	102.1	68.4	179.2
Jan. 27	160.0	181.6	329.7	118.4	165.6	232.6	104.6	68.0	188.4

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

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

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
January	144.5	144.7	152.4	166.0	161.4	161.0	162.6	175.6
February	141.0	144.0	153.0	169.3	160.6	161.6	163.6	
March	138.9	142.8	153.7	166.0	159.5	163.6	165.4	
April	144.2	140.9	154.4	165.2	157.2	161.6	168.0	
May	147.0	139.9	157.3	164.3	157.2	162.9	169.7	
June	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7	163.0	170.7	
July	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8	163.8	171.3	
August	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6	164.3	173.0	
September	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4	162.0	173.4	
October	143.7	145.8	161.1	164.2	161.2	161.0	174.1	
November	144.6	150.0	161.1	162.8	160.3	161.6	175.4	
December	144.6	150.7	160.2	159.5	160.7	161.7	175.4	
Year	144.6	143.0	156.7	164.5	160.1	162.3	170.2	

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF UNITED STATES STOCK PRICES

Source: Standard and Poor's

(1935-39 = 100)

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
January	120.1	121.0	135.1	168.6	186.9	197.6	195.4	
February	114.2	117.2	136.7	174.7	183.2	195.9	199.6	
March	116.4	118.0	138.8	170.3	185.3	198.0	204.9	
April	124.6	118.5	141.8	172.3	183.7	190.0	212.7	
May	130.2	117.7	146.9	173.9	183.7	189.6	219.8	
June	135.1	112.0	147.7	171.7	187.6	182.8	221.8	
July	131.9	117.8	138.2	172.8	192.1	185.5	231.1	
August	127.1	121.8	147.2	181.5	191.1	187.3	236.4	
September	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2	179.2	238.5	
October	127.8	127.3	157.8	185.0	183.4	183.4	243.5	
November	120.4	129.1	156.1	177.7	189.8	187.5	252.2	
December	119.4	132.7	158.4	182.5	197.0	190.7		
Year	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)

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
January	92.1	95.4	90.1	97.9	113.4	118.3	115.0	99.7
February	92.1	95.2	90.3	97.7	113.9	118.8	112.7	
March	96.7	94.7	90.2	104.6	115.1	118.9	104.7	
April	96.5	94.4	90.7	104.9	115.3	118.9	100.2	
May	95.3	94.4	90.2	104.9	112.6	119.6	99.7	
June	95.4	94.4	90.2	105.3	114.0	120.6	99.7	
July	95.6	93.8	91.0	104.7	117.3	120.7	97.9	
August	96.2	92.7	90.5	104.9	119.1	121.0	97.3	
September	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6	121.5	97.9	
October	96.3	89.1	92.0	105.7	118.6	120.8	98.1	
November	95.7	89.2	93.9	107.8	117.8	118.8	98.8	
December	95.5	90.3	96.7	112.0	118.0	117.3	98.9	
Year	95.3	93.0	91.3	104.6	116.2	119.6	101.7	

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	1954	1954		1955
		Average	Average	January Average	November Average	December Average	January Average
United States	dollar	.9789	.9834	.9729	.9692	.9680	.9660
United Kingdom	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7356	2.7090	2.6988	2.6912
Argentina	peso (free)	.07010	.07079	.07003	.06977	.06968	.06954
Australia	pound	2.1872	2.2133	2.1885	2.1672	2.1591	2.1530
Belgium (1)	franc	.01947	.01969	.01949	.01938	.01932	.01929
Brazil (2) (3)	cruzeiro	.05291	.05314	.04165	.01375	.01276	.01302
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5696	.5764	.5699	.5644	.5623	.5607
Ceylon	rupee	.2056	.2075	.2052	.2032	.2024	.2019
Chile	peso (free)	.00903	.00890	.00884	.00773	.00484	.00483
Colombia	peso (basic)	.3916	.3921	.3891	.3877	.3872	.3864
Cuba	peso	.9789	.9834	.9729	.9692	.9680	.9660
Denmark	krone	.1417	.1424	.1409	.1403	.1402	.1399
Egypt	pound	2.8111	2.8239	2.7937	2.7832	2.7798	2.7740
France and North Africa	franc	.00280	.00281	.00278	.00277	.00277	.00276
Germany	deutsche mark	.2331	.2342	.2316	.2308	.2305	.2301
Hong Kong	dollar	.1709	.1729	.1710	.1693	.1687	.1682
India	rupee	.2056	.2075	.2052	.2032	.2024	.2019
Ireland	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7356	2.7090	2.6988	2.6912
Italy	lira	.00157	.00158	.00156	.00156	.00155	.00155
Jamaica	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7356	2.7090	2.6988	2.6912
Japan	yen	.00272	.00273	.00270	.00269	.00269	.00268
Lebanon	pound (free)	.2734	.2872	.3053	.3004	.2985	.2972
Mexico	peso	.1132	.1137	.1125	.07754	.07744	.07729
Netherlands	guilder	.2576	.2588	.2565	.2549	.2551	.2546
New Zealand	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7356	2.7090	2.6988	2.6912
Norway	krone	.1371	.1377	.1362	.1357	.1355	.1352
Pakistan	rupee	.2959	.2972	.2940	.2930	.2926	.2920
Peru	sol-certificate	.06346	.05908	.04870	.05101	.05095	.05084
Philippines	peso	.4895	.4917	.4864	.4846	.4840	.4830
Portugal	escudo	.03412	.03431	.03395	.03382	.03378	.03371
Singapore	dollar	.3190	.3228	.3192	.3160	.3149	.3140
Sweden	krona	.1892	.1901	.1880	.1873	.1871	.1867
Switzerland	franc	.2266	.2293	.2268	.2261	.2259	.2254
Turkey	lira	.3496	.3512	.3474	.3461	.3457	.3450
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7356	2.7090	2.6988	2.6912
Venezuela	bolivar	.2922	.2936	.2904	.2894	.2890	.2884
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00326	.00328	.00324	.00323	.00323	.00322

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

31.

IN CANADA AND OTHER SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Country	Base Period	1939	1953	1954				1955
				Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES</u>								
Australia	1952-1953		102.5(c)		102.7			103.2
Canada	1949	63.2	116.2(f)	117.0	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.6
Denmark	1935	109	220			222		226
France (Paris)	1949		143.3(f)	141.7	142.6	142.9	144.2	144.9
India (Bombay)	1933 - 1934	106	363	362	364	363	361	
Italy (Rome)	1938		105(b)	5,065	5,242	5,234	5,211	
Malaya	January 1949(a)			134	123	123		
Mexico	1939	100.0	473.1(f)	483.2	485.9	485.4	487.1	499.1
Netherlands	1949		120	126	126	127	127	
New Zealand	1st. qtr. 1949	74.8	133.3		140.2			139.9
Norway	1949	63.8	136	145	144	143	143	
South Africa	1938	99.9	192.4	195.3	198.4	198.5	199.4	199.6
Sweden	1949		128	129	129	129	129	
Switzerland	August, 1939		169.8	171.7	172.0	172.5	173.0	172.9
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952		105.8	108.4	108.2	108.7	109.2	109.8
United States	1947 - 49	59.4	114.4	115.0	114.7	114.5	114.6	114.3
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>								
Australia	1936 - 1939	101.1	321(c)(e)	316				
Canada	1935 - 1939	99.3	220.7	215.8	215.3	214.3	214.8	215.3
Denmark	1935	118	341	342	340	339	345	346
France	1949		135.9(f)	135.9	134.6	133.9	134.7	135.2
India	Sept. '38-Aug. '39		397.5(d)	382.3	384.4(e)	381.6	376.1	
Italy	1938		5,250	5,261	5,267(e)	5,273		
Mexico	1939	100.0	433.6(f)	440.4	443.4	454.7	461.4	469.7
Netherlands	1948		134	134	134	136		
New Zealand	1926 - 1930	107.1	254.6	252.7(e)	253.1			
Norway	1938	102	280(f)	283	282	280	280	281
South Africa	1938	97.6	261.2	264.6	264.7	265.2		
Sweden	1935	115	298	296	295	296	298	
Switzerland	August, 1939		212.8	214.0	215.1	214.5	215.7	216.5
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	327.8	329.3	328.5	329.0(e)	330.8(e)	335.5
United States	1947 - 49	50.1	110.1	110.5	110.0	109.7	110.0	109.5

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 1953 to August 1954.

(e) Revised.

(f) 1954 average.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price SeriesAppearing in this BulletinPRICES 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 INDEXESCanadian 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 for No. 1 Manitoba Northern. The initial payment for No. 1 for the 1953-1954 crop year of \$1.40 per bushel was increased to \$1.50 as announced November 6, 1954. For the 1954-1955 crop year, the initial payment for No. 1 stands at \$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, 1953 - July 31, 1954 were announced on October 12, 1954 for barley and on October 29, 1954 for oats.

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 101 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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