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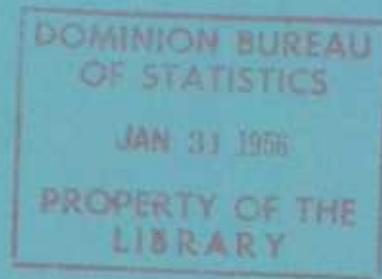


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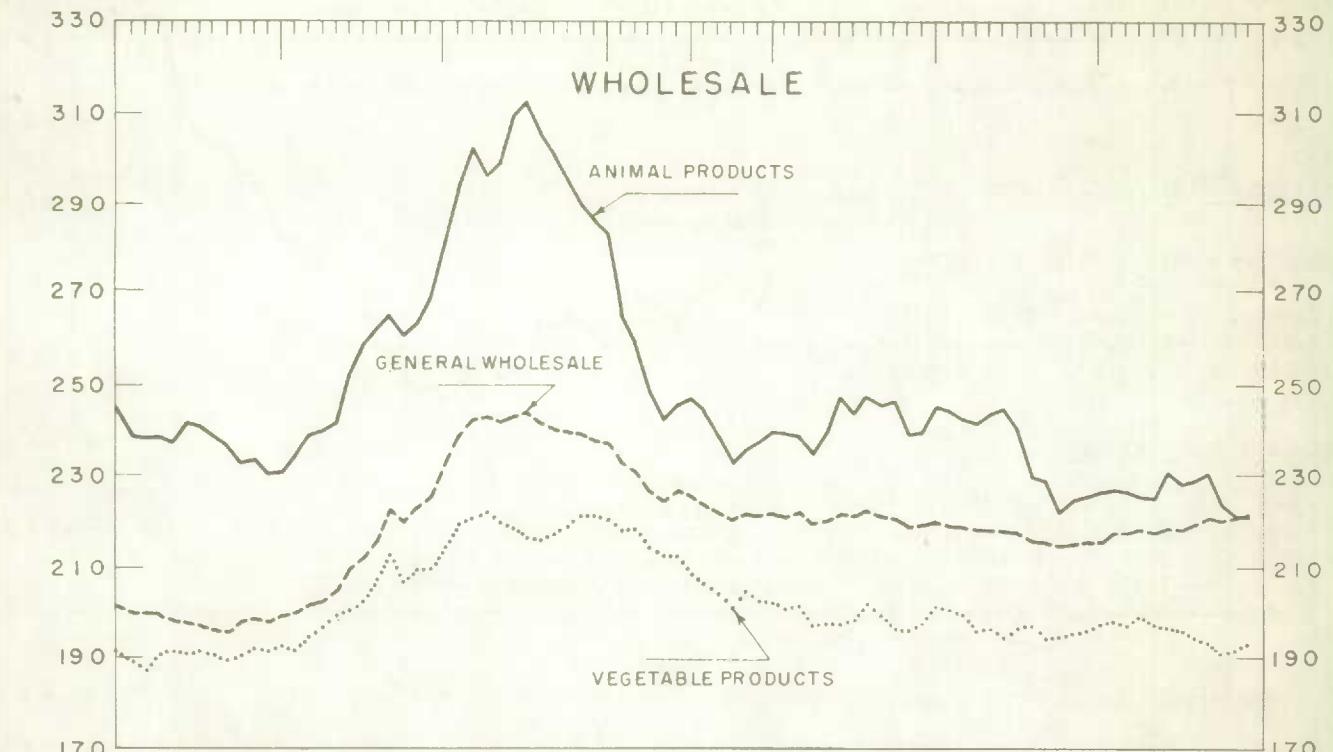
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SELECTED PRICE INDEXES
MONTHLY, JANUARY 1949—DECEMBER 1955

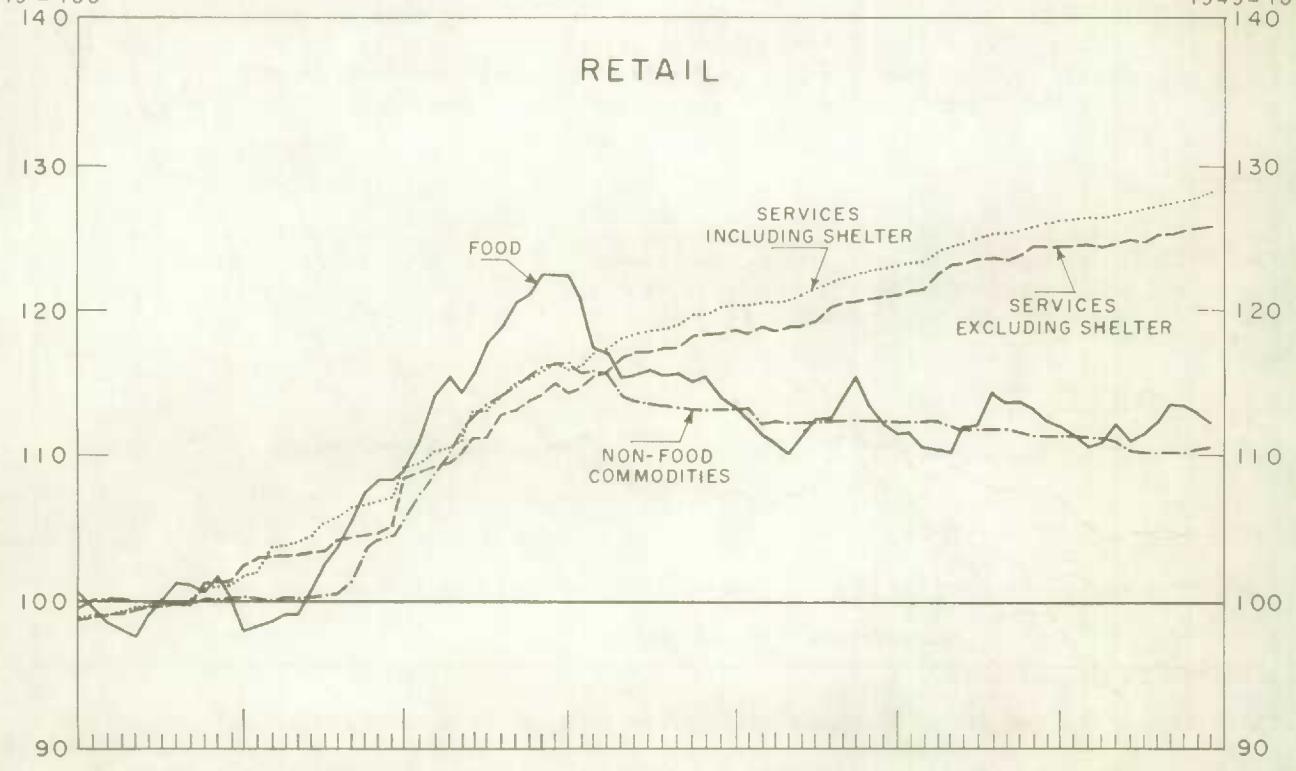
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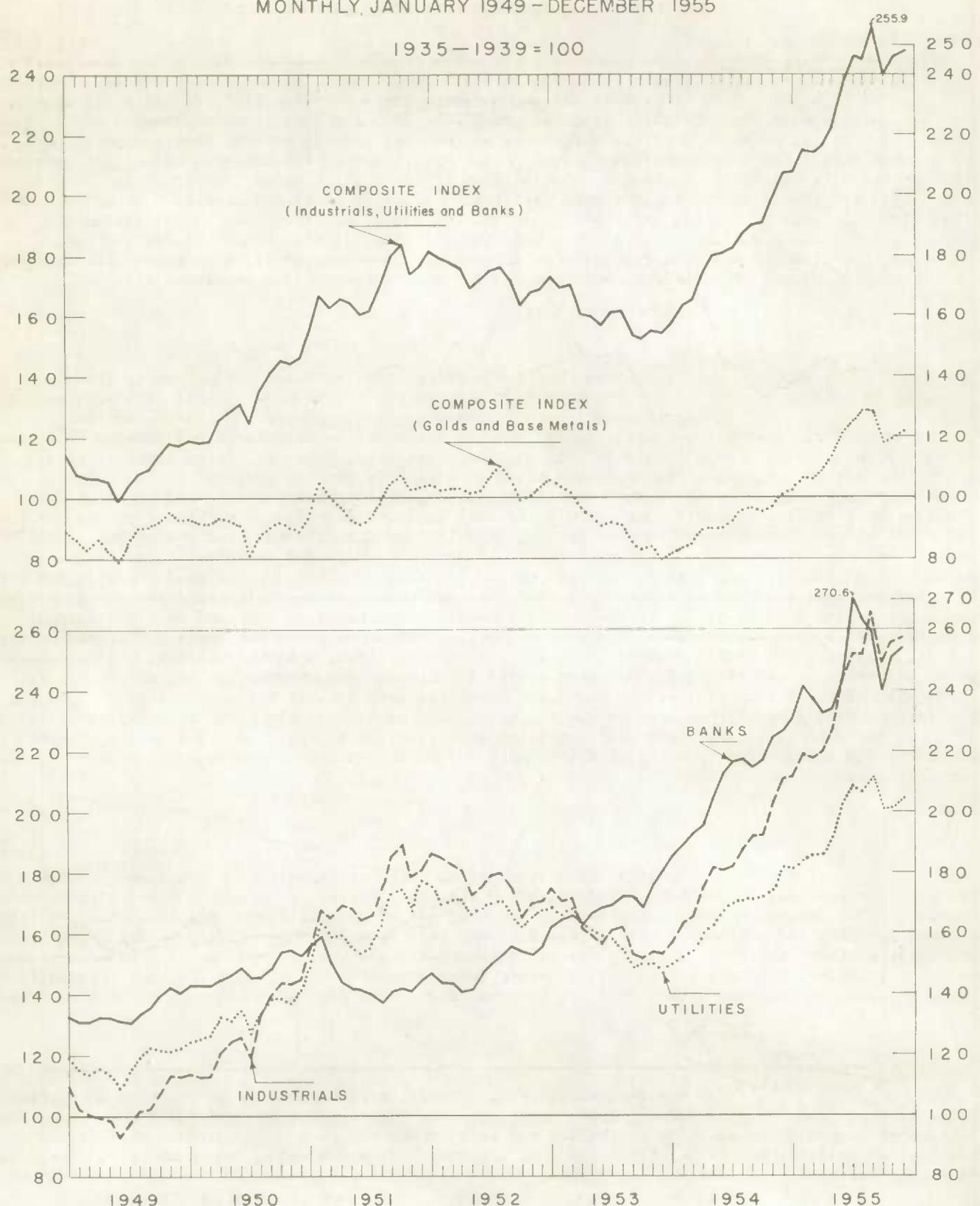


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PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS

MONTHLY, JANUARY 1949 - DECEMBER 1955

1935-1939 = 100



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

The Consumer Price Index remained unchanged during the last quarter of 1955, standing at 116.9 for October, November and December. Between November 1st and December 1st a decrease in foods was sufficient to offset increases in three of the four other group indexes. The Food Index declined 0.5 per cent from 113.0 to 112.4 as lower prices were recorded for eggs and all cuts of beef and pork, particularly pork loins. Substantially higher prices were reported for oranges, and slight increases for practically all fresh vegetables. An increase in the Shelter index from 130.6 to 131.0 was due to slight upward movements in rents, residential property taxes and repairs. An advance in the Clothing index of 0.6 per cent to 108.5, resulted almost entirely from higher prices for women's fur coats. Household Operation moved from 116.5 to 116.6 as higher prices for coal, laundry, dry cleaning and shoe repairs more than offset lower prices for some household supplies and floor coverings. The Other Commodities and Services component was unchanged at 118.3.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES:
(1935-39 = 100)

The General Wholesale Price Index advanced 0.3 per cent, from 220.7 to 221.4, between November and December. Seven of the eight major component groups contributed to the advance, while one declined. Vegetable Products rose 0.7 per cent, to 192.9, when increases in unmanufactured tobacco, raw rubber, livestock and poultry feeds, vegetable oils and their products, potatoes, fresh imported fruits, grains, onions and miscellaneous vegetable products were only partially offset by decreases in cocoa beans and cocoa butter, coffee beans, canned vegetables, milled cereal foods, and imported dried fruits. Iron and Its Products advanced 0.7 per cent to 229.3 in response to higher prices for iron and steel scrap. Increases in cotton fabrics, imported and domestic raw wool, cotton knit goods, worsted and wool cloth, and miscellaneous fibre products outweighed a decrease in raw cotton and moved Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products up 0.3 per cent to 226.8. Wood, Wood Products and Paper rose 0.2 per cent to 303.7 as increases in B.C. fir and newsprint overbalanced decreases in woodpulp and cedar lumber and shingles. In Non-metallic Minerals increases in imported coal and sulphur combined with a seasonal increase in sand and gravel at Winnipeg moved the index up 0.2 per cent to 176.8. Chemicals and Allied Products rose 0.1 per cent to 178.1, when increases in explosives and paint materials proved more important than decreases in drugs and pharmaceuticals and inorganic chemicals. Increases in tin, solder and lead outweighed decreases in silver and antimony and put Non-ferrous Metals up 0.05 per cent to 200.6. Animal Products, the only group to register a decline, fell 0.2 per cent to 220.8. Decreases for fresh and cured meats, eggs, lard and tallow, livestock, and boots and shoes slightly outweighed increases in fishery products, unmanufactured leather, hides and skins, and butter.

Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets were fractionally higher in December as increases in the Field Products group were only partially offset by net losses in Animal Products. The composite index advanced from 196.9 to 197.1, and Field Products from 153.2 to 155.2 between November and December, while Animal Products fell from 240.5 to 239.0. Within Field Products, prices were higher for rye, potatoes, Western flax and Eastern wheat, hay, raw leaf tobacco, corn and barley. In Animal Products prices were stronger for calves, ~~new wean~~, lambs, Eastern cheesemilk and Western eggs. On the other hand, declines occurred for steers and hogs, and eggs on Eastern markets.

Residential Building Material prices rose 0.3 per cent in the period under review, from 286.7 to 287.5. Price increases were registered for fir and millwork items in the lumber component in addition to shellac and sand. Over the past twelve months an increase in Residential Building Materials of 3.1 per cent has taken place due mainly to advances in electrical equipment and fixtures, plumbing and heating, paint and glass and lumber.

The index for Non-residential Building Material prices, on the base 1949 = 100, was unchanged in December at 126.0. Scattered minor price changes were noted, however, including a decrease in plumbing and increases in lumber items and sand. When compared with levels of one year ago prices have moved up 3.8 per cent, due mainly to the same groups as itemized under comments on Residential Materials.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES:
(1935-1939 = 100)

Common stocks continued to advance in December as the Investor's Index of 98 issues rose from 245.6 in November to 247.6 in the month under review. When compared with the 1955 monthly high of 255.9 reached in September, however, the December index registered a loss of 3.2 per cent. Over the twelve months ending December 1955 the series shows an increase of 19.7 per cent. All major group indexes advanced as follows between November and December (year's high appears in brackets): 78 Industrials from 255.3 to 257.0 (September, 265.9); 13 Utilities from 201.4 to 204.2 (September, 211.2); and 7 Banks from 250.8 to 253.4 (July, 270.6).

With the exception of Textiles and Clothing which declined 5.1 per cent, and Transportation issues which advanced 4.2 per cent, between November and December, fluctuations in sub-group indexes were relatively minor, ranging from an increase of 1.8 per cent for Industrial Mines to a decline of 2.0 per cent for Milling issues. The December sub-group indexes in all cases were appreciably higher in a twelve-month comparison. When compared with peak levels recorded in September, only Foods and Allied Products entirely recouped losses suffered in the October market drop.

Mining stocks were also firmer in December as the composite index moved up from 119.6 in November to 121.4. Strength was noted for both groups, the index for 22 Gold stocks advancing 2.0 per cent from 71.2 to 72.6, and for 5 base metals 1.2 per cent, from 230.2 to 233.0. The 1955 high point occurred in August for the Gold index, at 76.3, and in September for base metals at 252.0. Over the past twelve months the composite index recorded an increase of 20.3 per cent.

Preferred stocks moved down in December as the composite index fell from 177.6 to 173.9, the lowest level since August 1954.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE MOVEMENTS

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

Note: 1955 Wholesale Price Indexes are subject to revision.

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
			<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>
	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1953</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1954</u>			<u>Nov.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>	
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	219.0	215.4	220.7	221.4	+ 1.1	+ 2.8	+ 0.3
Vegetable Products	197.7	195.9	191.6	192.9	- 2.4	- 1.5	+ 0.7
Animal Products	239.1	225.4	221.3	220.8	- 7.7	- 2.0	- 0.2
Textile Products	235.0	226.9	226.1	226.8	- 3.5	- 0.04	+ 0.3
Wood Products	285.0	289.3	303.1	303.7	+ 6.6	+ 5.0	+ 0.2
Iron Products	222.0	213.8	227.6	229.3	+ 3.3	+ 7.2	+ 0.7
Non-ferrous Metals	166.1	170.6	200.5	200.6	+ 20.8	+ 17.6	+0.05
Non-metallic Minerals	179.1	176.0	176.4	176.8	- 1.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.2
Chemical Products	174.2	176.9	177.9	178.1	+ 2.2	+ 0.7	+ 0.1
<u>CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS</u>	211.9	205.7	196.9	197.1	- 7.0	- 4.2	+ 0.1
Field	162.2	165.4	153.2	155.2	- 4.3	- 6.2	+ 1.3
Animal	261.6	245.9	240.5	239.0	- 8.6	- 2.8	- 0.6

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIESBETWEEN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1955

	<u>INCREASES</u>		<u>DECREASES</u>
	P.C.		P.C.
Sheep skins	38.9	Bananas, Toronto	11.6
Calves, Winnipeg	17.6	Eggs, grade "A" large, Toronto	11.4
Steel scrap	12.3	Canned corn	10.7
Potatoes, Charlottetown	12.3	Pork, fresh loins	9.0
Rye, No. 3 C.W.	9.2	Lemons, Toronto	7.7
Raw rubber, No. 1 smoked sheets	8.2	Coffee beans, Colombian Medellins	7.0
Solder	8.1	Tallow	6.1
Sand, Winnipeg	7.1	Cured meat, cottage rolls	5.5
Oranges, Toronto	6.4	Potatoes, Saint John	5.5
Wheat, No. 1 C.E.	6.4	Lard	4.6
Bran	6.3	Sulphuric acid	3.8
Tin ingots	6.2	Steers, Winnipeg	3.6
Leather, box sides "D"	6.1	Cocoa butter, imported	3.5
Veal carcass	6.0	Bacon	3.4
Beef hides, country cured	5.9	Hogs, Bl, dressed, Montreal	2.7

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>					<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Aver-	Aver-	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	age 1954	age 1955	1954	1955	1955	1954	1955	1955
TOTAL INDEX	116.2	116.4	116.6	116.9	116.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	-
Food	112.2	112.1	112.6	113.0	112.4	- 0.1	- 0.2	- 0.5
Shelter	126.5	129.4	128.2	130.6	131.0	+ 2.3	+ 2.2	+ 0.3
Clothing	109.4	108.0	108.1	107.9	108.5	- 1.3	+ 0.4	+ 0.6
Household Operation	117.4	116.4	117.1	116.5	116.6	- 0.9	- 0.4	+ 0.1
Other Commodities and Services	117.4	118.1	118.2	118.3	118.3	+ 0.6	+ 0.1	-

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1955

	<u>Increases</u>	p.c.		<u>Decreases</u>	p.c.
Oranges	18.2		Pork, rib chops, fresh		10.0
Celery	12.8		Eggs		3.9
Cabbage	11.9		Smoked ham		3.4
Fur coats	8.0		Bacon		3.1
Fresh tomatoes	6.8		Grapefruit		3.1
Carrots	6.8		Pork, shoulder roast, Boston butt		2.9
Potatoes	6.1		Apple juice		2.9
Apples	6.1		Picnic shoulder		2.3
Lettuce	5.0		Orange juice		1.1
Canned tomatoes	2.0		Beef, rolled rib roast		1.0

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

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	1953	1954	1955	1955	1953	1954	1955
Total Investors' Index	153.6	206.8	245.6	247.6	+ 61.2	+ 19.7	+ 0.8
Total Industrials	152.7	210.5	255.3	257.0	+ 68.3	+ 22.1	+ 0.7
Machinery & Equipment	391.5	554.9	766.5	763.8	+ 95.1	+ 37.6	- 0.4
Pulp & Paper	544.4	830.4	1062.5	1073.3	+ 97.2	+ 29.3	+ 1.0
Milling	129.1	156.5	213.3	209.1	+ 62.0	+ 33.6	- 2.0
Oils	119.4	163.5	168.8	170.8	+ 43.0	+ 4.5	+ 1.2
Textiles & Clothing	180.7	175.2	187.7	178.2	- 1.4	+ 1.7	- 5.1
Foods	122.4	150.8	197.1	200.0	+ 63.4	+ 32.6	+ 1.5
Beverages	420.4	521.5	593.2	581.9	+ 38.4	+ 11.6	- 1.9
Building Materials	276.1	385.6	453.8	457.8	+ 65.8	+ 18.7	+ 0.9
Industrial Mines	103.4	149.3	200.8	204.5	+ 97.8	+ 37.0	+ 1.8
Total Utilities	146.4	181.8	201.4	204.2	+ 39.5	+ 12.3	+ 1.4
Transportation	254.2	337.5	370.6	386.1	+ 51.9	+ 14.4	+ 4.2
Telephone	101.2	118.6	129.6	129.3	+ 27.8	+ 9.0	- 0.2
Power and Traction	131.4	162.9	184.7	186.0	+ 41.6	+ 14.2	+ 0.7
Banks	180.2	227.0	250.8	253.4	+ 40.6	+ 11.6	+ 1.0
Mining Stocks							
General Index	79.9	100.9	119.6	121.4	+ 51.9	+ 20.3	+ 1.5
Golds	57.3	67.6	71.2	72.6	+ 26.7	+ 7.4	+ 2.0
Base Metals	131.5	177.2	230.2	233.0	+ 77.2	+ 31.5	+ 1.2

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	179.4	263.8	221.6	
1954	217.0	204.8	224.2	223.7	164.9	256.2	210.6	
1954	Jan.	219.8	206.4	227.8	224.1	162.9	266.3	214.6
	Feb.	219.1	205.1	227.3	223.6	163.3	264.7	214.0
	Mar.	218.7	204.4	226.9	222.8	161.7	262.0	211.9
	Apr.	218.0	205.8	225.1	223.9	161.0	260.4	210.7
	May	217.9	207.3	224.3	224.3	161.6	268.0	214.8
	June	217.6	206.6	224.3	224.0	162.3	267.3	214.8
	July	217.4	207.4	223.5	224.4	177.0	262.1	219.6
	Aug.	215.8	204.9	222.3	222.5	169.5	248.2	208.8
	Sept.	215.3	202.9	222.6	222.7	164.6	245.5	205.1
	Oct.	214.3	201.4	221.8	223.6	163.7	240.5	202.1
	Nov.	214.9	202.3	222.3	224.4	166.0	243.1	204.6
	Dec.	215.4	203.5	222.4	224.4	165.4	245.9	205.7
1955	Jan.	215.7	205.0	222.1	225.9	166.4	248.4	207.4
	Feb.	217.4	207.6	223.2	229.0	168.4	245.8	207.1
	Mar.	217.4	206.2	224.1	229.9	166.9	241.3	204.1
	Apr.	218.5	210.4	223.5	233.1	187.6	238.7	213.1
	May	217.8	209.5	223.1	233.2	184.0	243.4	213.7
	June	218.7	210.3	224.1	236.2	175.0	250.0	212.5
	July	218.4	210.1	223.7	237.1	170.8	249.5	210.1
	Aug.	219.6	210.7	225.3	240.6	159.0	250.6	204.8
	Sept.	220.9	212.2	226.4	241.4	153.9	251.6	202.7
	Oct.	220.0	210.8	225.7	240.7	151.7	241.9	196.8
	Nov.	220.7	211.3	226.5	240.8	153.2	240.5	196.9
	Dec.	221.4	212.4	226.6	244.2	155.2	239.0	197.1

(1) See Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21 for final revised Canadian Farm Products Indexes, August 1945 - July 1952; February 1954, Table 4 for indexes August 1952 - July 1953; and May 1955, Table 4, for indexes August 1953 - July 1954. Indexes subsequent to July 1954 are subject to revision. Please see note, Page 32.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	General Whole- Sale Index	- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -								
		Total Vege- table Pro- ducts	Grains	Milled Cereal Foods	Live- stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned	
1954 Average ...	217.0	196.8	187.2	159.0	203.0	188.0	173.9	172.5	156.1	
1954 Aug.	215.8	197.1	181.6	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.	214.9	195.3	186.2	148.7	188.0	188.0	166.5	175.7	157.5	
Dec.	215.4	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	
Feb.	217.4	198.2	191.4	148.9	209.7	188.0	151.8	175.1	158.7	
Mar.	217.4	196.8	190.6	148.2	215.3	188.0	153.9	177.3	158.7	
Apr.	218.5	199.0	190.5	148.2	201.2	183.3	164.5	176.3	156.6	
May	217.8	197.1	190.9	148.3	206.8	183.3	163.6	176.3	159.5	
June	218.7	196.5	190.4	151.0	197.4	181.7	161.9	176.3	161.6	
July	218.4	195.8	188.0	150.9	194.6	181.7	163.2	176.3	157.3	
Aug.	219.6	193.9	188.0	147.1	200.2	183.3	159.7	177.0	157.3	
Sept.	220.9	192.9	186.3	148.0	192.7	183.3	159.2	177.0	151.0	
Oct.	220.0	190.7	183.2	146.6	183.3	183.3	158.0	177.4	151.0	
Nov.	220.7	191.6	183.7	145.9	190.8	184.8	184.3	178.3	149.8	
Dec.	221.4	192.9	183.8	145.7	198.4	184.8	186.6	177.2	149.8	
- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - CONCLUDED										
Vege- table Oils and Pro- ducts	Rubber and Its Pro- ducts	Sugar and Its Pro- ducts	Tea, Coffee and Cocoa	Pota- toes	Onions	Canned Vege- tables	Raw Leaf To- bacco			
1954 Average ...	272.2	173.8	149.9	470.9	183.3	164.7	178.0	180.2		
1954 Aug.	270.2	173.0	148.4	498.5	290.8	255.5	164.6	181.0		
Sept.	264.0	173.5	148.4	461.0	230.6	182.8	164.6	181.0		
Oct.	270.4	176.2	148.4	443.0	215.4	197.0	213.7	181.0		
Nov.	256.5	177.8	148.9	450.0	225.6	219.4	213.7	181.0		
Dec.	261.5	179.5	148.9	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		
Feb.	266.0	194.0	149.0	430.1	234.8	218.5	216.6	181.0		
Mar.	272.5	194.8	148.9	408.5	234.9	195.4	216.6	177.9		
Apr.	264.2	189.0	152.0	410.3	434.0	196.7	218.1	177.9		
May	261.9	189.0	150.3	387.2	401.9	196.7	218.1	176.6		
June	269.7	192.9	150.1	393.4	316.4	196.7	218.1	178.1		
July	276.2	200.2	149.9	389.4	293.9	232.4	206.4	178.1		
Aug.	272.6	209.1	149.5	380.1	193.8	178.1	204.9	178.1		
Sept.	265.5	217.0	150.7	378.9	147.0	132.8	204.9	178.1		
Oct.	265.9	211.4	151.7	377.3	126.8	156.6	197.2	178.1		
Nov.	265.9	211.2	150.2	372.1	140.3	169.7	202.2	178.1		
Dec.	268.9	215.1	150.5	364.5	144.7	176.1	199.1	185.7		

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

(1935-39 = 100)

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								
Date	Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanufactured	Boots and Shoes	Live-stock	Steers
1954 Average ...	236.0	262.4	88.7	115.5	208.3	204.4	283.3	315.1
1954 Aug.	229.7	251.9	90.5	113.0	209.0	203.6	271.6	329.9
Sept.	228.9	265.4	84.2	97.8	207.6	203.6	266.7	332.6
Oct.	221.8	266.4	84.2	98.1	205.5	204.3	258.5	330.4
Nov.	224.4	270.4	84.2	105.0	202.2	204.0	262.1	322.3
Dec.	225.4	270.6	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
Feb.	226.7	279.9	113.3	103.4	191.7	204.0	269.3	321.4
Mar.	226.1	285.4	113.3	106.8	193.8	204.0	259.1	315.0
Apr.	225.0	285.6	112.3	117.7	193.8	204.0	255.5	320.4
May	224.8	258.6	116.0	111.1	190.6	204.8	264.2	323.3
June	230.5	258.4	112.5	113.0	190.6	204.2	272.9	317.0
July	227.9	258.4	114.9	112.6	190.6	204.2	268.1	324.6
Aug.	228.6	261.6	114.9	113.2	197.6	204.2	268.0	322.4
Sept.	230.1	273.9	110.6	118.1	197.6	204.2	269.4	327.2
Oct.	223.6	277.4	110.6	119.4	197.6	204.9	254.5	324.8
Nov.	221.3	280.6	110.6	124.7	197.6	205.5	251.8	322.6
Dec.	220.8	292.4	110.6	129.4	200.9	205.1	251.6	314.6

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded							
	Meats, Fresh	Beef and Veal Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Products	Butter	Oils and Fats
1954 Average ...	283.9	300.2	241.1	163.3	226.2	228.7	160.6
1954 Aug.	282.8	311.4	228.2	138.6	221.1	220.9	136.9
Sept.	278.8	312.6	225.4	138.6	221.7	222.0	153.3
Oct.	261.1	292.8	193.3	144.6	222.9	222.9	154.0
Nov.	261.1	286.9	198.6	147.6	229.3	235.9	158.9
Dec.	265.1	290.2	195.8	147.6	230.0	237.4	156.4
1955 Jan.	269.9	299.4	189.6	156.6	230.3	238.1	152.9
Feb.	270.7	306.3	185.6	159.6	230.3	238.0	141.7
Mar.	273.8	312.7	184.5	183.7	229.3	237.6	141.0
Apr.	274.3	315.3	186.4	192.8	225.0	230.1	142.8
May	282.8	326.4	182.4	195.8	221.6	223.0	140.0
June	290.3	325.4	205.6	201.8	221.1	221.9	129.0
July	283.7	319.7	188.2	210.8	221.6	223.0	124.8
Aug.	278.3	311.0	190.7	201.8	222.7	225.3	126.5
Sept.	276.2	310.1	194.5	192.8	223.4	226.7	138.8
Oct.	261.3	295.7	178.7	180.7	224.4	226.6	143.7
Nov.	248.7	290.0	171.7	198.8	224.8	227.3	143.4
Dec.	244.8	290.4	167.6	198.8	225.0	227.8	136.4

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

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- 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
1954 Average ...	231.1	288.6	225.2	230.1	224.0	220.6	169.5	159.0
1954 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
Feb.	226.0	295.1	230.6	230.6	219.3	209.0	169.5	156.2
Mar.	227.4	293.0	230.6	232.8	219.3	209.0	169.5	154.2
Apr.	226.3	291.3	230.6	232.8	219.3	198.3	169.5	154.2
May	226.6	299.8	230.6	232.8	219.3	195.3	169.5	154.2
June	226.9	303.7	230.6	232.8	219.3	195.8	169.5	154.2
July	226.9	304.1	232.1	232.8	217.6	196.4	169.5	154.2
Aug.	226.0	303.9	239.9	230.8	217.6	196.4	169.5	155.6
Sept.	226.2	294.2	250.0	234.6	217.6	196.4	169.5	155.6
Oct.	226.1	296.9	250.0	234.6	217.6	196.4	169.5	155.6
Nov.	226.1	302.0	250.0	234.9	217.6	196.4	169.5	154.2
Dec.	226.8	301.7	250.0	235.7	220.7	197.1	169.5	154.2

- 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
1954 Average ...	175.4	261.1	242.8	213.3	235.1	252.5	259.7	225.3
1954 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
Oct.	176.9	263.8	234.3	213.4	234.4	252.5	254.8	225.3
Nov.	176.9	236.9	200.3	209.6	233.4	252.5	254.0	225.3
Dec.	158.3	239.9	207.5	197.7	230.9	252.5	254.0	225.3
1955 Jan.	158.3	239.9	202.3	197.7	230.9	252.5	234.5	225.3
Feb.	158.3	249.3	224.8	197.7	230.9	252.5	241.4	225.3
Mar.	171.9	254.5	227.0	206.4	230.9	252.5	241.4	225.3
Apr.	171.9	257.5	213.2	206.4	230.9	252.5	241.3	225.3
May	166.5	259.7	210.9	206.4	230.9	252.5	241.3	225.3
June	166.5	257.5	214.3	206.4	230.9	252.5	240.9	225.3
July	166.5	257.5	211.1	206.4	230.9	252.5	240.9	225.3
Aug.	166.5	244.9	196.0	206.4	230.9	252.5	238.2	225.3
Sept.	166.5	223.3	189.0	206.4	230.9	252.5	235.6	225.3
Oct.	166.5	218.1	191.4	198.7	230.9	252.5	236.4	225.3
Nov.	166.5	228.5	197.5	198.7	230.9	252.5	232.1	225.3
Dec.	166.5	237.8	204.7	198.7	230.9	252.5	232.7	225.3

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

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- 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
1954 Average ...	286.8	419.0	382.0	313.4	370.3	510.6	401.9	201.3	283.9	227.6
1954 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
Feb.	292.0	437.3	390.5	310.1	369.8	534.6	454.5	203.7	285.3	227.6
Mar.	292.5	437.3	390.8	310.1	369.8	534.0	455.7	204.7	286.3	227.6
Apr.	293.8	437.7	394.6	310.1	369.8	531.7	457.4	210.3	287.7	227.6
May	293.6	438.1	396.3	310.1	369.8	531.1	458.7	209.6	287.2	227.6
June	294.5	440.8	402.6	310.1	369.8	534.6	458.9	209.4	286.9	227.6
July	295.2	443.4	406.5	310.1	369.8	538.8	460.3	209.5	287.1	227.6
Aug.	296.0	445.9	409.9	315.3	369.8	538.8	468.4	209.8	287.4	227.6
Sept.	296.3	446.0	409.9	319.4	369.8	538.8	467.0	210.7	287.9	227.6
Oct.	298.5	445.0	412.4	319.4	369.8	532.8	463.5	219.7	289.8	234.5
Nov.	303.1	443.1	412.4	319.4	369.8	530.0	457.5	220.8	301.5	234.5
Dec.	303.7	445.4	412.4	319.4	369.8	537.2	456.5	220.3	301.6	234.5
- 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	
1954 Average ...	213.4	256.6	206.0	232.0	217.9	236.7	211.7		219.7	
1954 Aug.	211.7	254.7	204.6	228.7	216.7	233.2	200.9		219.7	
Sept.	212.3	254.7	206.1	228.7	216.7	233.2	200.9		220.5	
Oct.	212.4	254.7	206.1	228.7	217.4	233.2	200.9		220.5	
Nov.	213.8	254.7	206.3	229.6	217.4	233.2	228.1		220.5	
Dec.	213.8	254.7	206.3	229.6	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	
Feb.	216.0	254.7	206.3	228.7	219.2	233.2	273.2		220.5	
Mar.	217.4	254.7	206.3	229.6	225.0	240.9	273.2		220.5	
Apr.	218.2	254.7	206.3	229.6	225.2	240.9	290.2		220.5	
May	217.3	254.7	204.8	229.6	225.2	240.9	290.2		218.8	
June	217.2	254.7	204.8	229.6	224.8	240.9	290.2		218.0	
July	217.5	259.2	204.8	229.6	224.8	240.9	290.2		218.7	
Aug.	226.0	266.0	212.7	232.7	235.7	261.4	324.7		220.7	
Sept.	226.7	266.0	213.9	232.7	236.9	261.4	324.7		220.7	
Oct.	227.1	266.0	213.9	232.7	239.6	261.4	324.7		220.7	
Nov.	227.6	266.0	213.9	236.9	240.6	261.4	324.7		220.7	
Dec.	229.3	266.0	213.9	236.9	240.6	261.4	361.0		220.7	

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

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Date	- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -									Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)
	Total Non-Ferrous Metals	Anti-mony	Copper and Its Products	Lead and Its Products	Silver	Tin	Zinc and Its Products	Solder		
	(1)	(2)								
1954 Average ...	167.5	224.1	180.5	277.0	278.7	214.3	174.3	260.6	196.0	217.9
1954 Aug.	167.3	224.1	175.6	276.7	277.8	213.7	175.4	267.0	200.6	216.9
Sept.	168.1	225.5	175.6	276.6	289.0	213.4	175.1	275.1	200.6	217.8
Oct.	168.5	226.2	175.6	276.6	297.0	213.4	174.1	276.1	200.6	218.2
Nov.	168.4	226.2	175.6	276.5	297.2	213.4	172.1	276.1	200.6	219.0
Dec.	170.6	230.2	175.6	276.2	297.2	213.2	170.6	277.3	200.6	220.6
1955 Jan.	170.6	230.2	175.6	276.2	297.2	212.7	166.4	277.3	187.9	221.0
Feb.	176.6	240.4	175.6	303.6	297.2	215.0	173.8	277.3	187.9	226.2
Mar.	179.0	244.0	175.6	309.6	297.2	221.7	175.7	277.3	187.9	228.5
Apr.	183.8	252.5	175.6	331.2	297.2	221.7	173.6	287.7	187.9	232.5
May	184.2	253.3	175.6	332.2	297.2	226.4	173.6	288.7	187.9	232.3
June	184.5	253.8	175.6	332.2	297.2	227.9	175.1	293.8	187.9	232.4
July	185.0	254.8	175.6	332.2	297.2	230.0	179.7	299.0	195.9	233.0
Aug.	188.8	261.4	175.6	350.3	297.2	231.3	180.3	299.0	203.8	240.8
Sept.	198.0	277.8	187.6	394.3	299.7	231.5	180.4	308.2	203.8	248.0
Oct.	199.5	280.0	187.6	397.5	307.6	235.9	183.6	309.2	203.8	249.1
Nov.	200.5	281.4	184.2	399.8	307.6	236.2	189.3	309.2	203.8	250.0
Dec.	200.6	281.6	180.7	399.8	309.0	233.3	201.1	309.2	220.4	251.1
- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -										
Total Non-Metallic Products	Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Manufactured Gas	Window Glass			
1954 Average ...	177.0	230.4	150.2	172.9	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
1954 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.	175.8	231.6	153.7	171.1	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
Nov.	175.8	231.6	153.7	171.5	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
Dec.	176.0	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		
Feb.	176.6	231.6	153.7	172.0	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8		
Mar.	174.5	231.6	153.7	172.0	213.7	227.3	-	233.8		
Apr.	175.2	233.1	153.7	174.2	213.7	227.3	-	257.0		
May	173.3	233.1	153.7	167.6	213.7	223.1	-	257.0		
June	173.4	233.1	153.7	167.7	213.7	223.1	-	257.0		
July	173.7	233.1	153.7	168.9	213.7	224.3	-	257.0		
Aug.	173.7	233.1	153.7	168.9	213.7	224.3	-	257.0		
Sept.	175.2	231.2	153.7	171.7	213.7	226.0	-	257.0		
Oct.	176.3	231.2	153.7	175.7	213.7	229.8	-	257.0		
Nov.	176.4	231.2	153.7	175.7	213.7	229.8	-	257.0		
Dec.	176.8	231.2	153.7	177.7	213.7	228.1	-	257.0		

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

(2) Excludes Gold.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

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Date	- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -Continued						
	Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gasoline	Coal Oil	Asphalt	Asphalt Shingles	Sulphur
1954 Average ...	189.3	167.5	138.9	134.0	184.1	150.4	198.6
1954 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	165.2	134.7	133.5	184.1	150.4	198.2
Nov.	189.3	165.0	134.7	133.5	184.1	150.4	197.9
Dec.	189.3	165.0	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
Feb.	189.3	164.9	134.7	133.5	184.1	138.1	199.6
Mar.	189.3	165.0	134.7	133.5	184.1	138.1	200.5
Apr.	189.3	165.0	134.7	133.5	184.1	138.1	201.5
May	189.3	165.0	134.7	133.5	184.1	138.1	201.1
June	189.3	165.1	134.7	133.5	184.1	146.4	200.9
July	189.3	165.0	134.7	133.5	184.1	146.4	201.0
Aug.	189.3	165.0	134.7	133.5	184.1	146.4	201.3
Sept.	201.5	167.4	137.8	136.2	184.1	146.4	201.6
Oct.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	184.1	146.4	203.1
Nov.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	184.1	146.4	204.1
Dec.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	184.1	146.4	204.5

	- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded						
	Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Build- ing Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1954 Average ...	127.1	194.6	158.1	142.0	163.9	200.7	267.1
1954 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
Feb.	127.9	205.5	153.8	144.8	183.7	200.7	267.1
Mar.	127.9	205.5	153.9	144.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
Apr.	127.9	205.2	153.9	144.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
May	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	267.1
June	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	267.1
July	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	267.1
Aug.	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	267.1
Sept.	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	265.5
Oct.	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	265.5
Nov.	127.9	205.2	153.9	143.4	155.7	196.1	265.5
Dec.	127.9	205.2	153.9	144.8	155.7	196.1	265.5

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Concluded

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- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS -

Date	Total Chemical Products	Inorganic Chemicals	Organic Chemicals	Coal Tar Products	Dyeing Materials	Tanning Materials
1954 Average	176.4	141.1	179.3	191.6	182.2	288.8
1954 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.	177.0	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
Feb.	177.1	142.2	178.6	191.6	182.2	289.7
Mar.	176.9	142.2	178.6	191.6	182.2	289.7
Apr.	177.2	142.4	178.6	191.6	183.8	289.7
May	176.5	142.6	178.6	191.6	183.8	289.7
June	176.5	142.6	178.6	191.6	183.8	289.7
July	176.4	142.5	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Aug.	176.5	142.5	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Sept.	176.7	143.0	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Oct.	177.7	144.9	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Nov.	177.9	144.5	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Dec.	178.1	143.4	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Ex- plosives	Paint, Prepared	Fertil- izer Materials	Indus- trial Gases	Soap
1954 Average	137.4	189.1	165.6	126.0	205.6
1954 Aug.	137.4	189.1	165.8	128.0	206.6
Sept.	137.4	189.1	163.9	127.4	206.6
Oct.	137.4	189.1	163.9	126.0	206.6
Nov.	137.4	189.1	165.0	124.1	206.6
Dec.	137.4	189.1	165.0	125.2	206.6
1955 Jan.	137.4	189.1	163.0	125.2	206.6
Feb.	137.4	189.1	163.8	126.8	206.6
Mar.	137.4	189.1	163.0	124.1	206.6
Apr.	137.4	189.1	163.0	125.7	206.6
May	137.4	189.1	163.0	126.6	198.7
June	137.4	189.1	163.0	126.8	198.7
July	137.4	189.1	163.0	126.6	198.7
Aug.	137.4	189.1	163.0	129.3	198.7
Sept.	137.4	189.1	163.0	128.8	198.7
Oct.	137.4	195.5	163.0	126.3	198.7
Nov.	137.4	195.5	163.0	126.2	200.6
Dec.	143.3	195.5	163.0	126.2	200.6

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

(1935-39 = 100)

- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -

Date	Total	Total	Cement,	Brick,	Lumber	Lath,	Plaster	Roof-	Paint	Plumb-	Elec-	
	Index *	Index	Sand and Gravel	Tile and Stone	Its Pro- ducts	and Insu- lation	and Mate- rial	Glass	and Heat- ing	ing	trical	
	(1949=100)									Equip- ment	Equip- ment and Fix- tures	Other Mater- ials
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	54.3	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	
1954	121.7	277.5	151.3	207.4	400.5	128.8	233.4	208.9	202.8	207.7	226.6	
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Jan.	121.5	277.1	152.5	207.4	400.2	127.7	222.9	206.5	203.5	207.3	227.5	
Feb.	121.2	276.4	152.5	207.4	398.3	127.7	226.2	206.5	203.5	205.8	227.2	
Mar.	121.0	275.9	152.5	207.4	397.3	129.2	226.2	206.5	203.3	203.3	227.2	
Apr.	121.1	276.1	151.7	207.4	397.3	129.2	226.1	205.2	203.8	208.8	227.2	
May	121.0	275.9	151.1	207.4	397.4	129.2	226.1	206.9	202.2	208.8	227.2	
June	121.6	277.3	151.1	207.4	400.4	129.2	229.3	208.2	202.1	209.4	227.8	
July	122.0	278.2	151.1	207.4	402.4	129.2	235.8	209.5	200.9	209.4	227.8	
Aug.	122.0	278.1	151.1	207.4	402.5	129.2	235.8	210.8	200.9	208.0	224.7	
Sept.	122.2	278.7	151.1	207.4	402.5	129.2	242.2	210.8	203.0	208.0	225.5	
Oct.	122.2	278.7	151.1	207.4	402.5	129.2	242.2	211.2	203.0	208.0	225.5	
Nov.	122.2	278.6	151.1	207.4	401.9	129.2	242.2	211.7	203.6	208.0	225.5	
Dec.	122.3	278.9	149.1	207.4	403.3	126.9	245.4	212.5	203.6	208.0	225.5	
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Jan.	122.1	278.5	149.6	207.4	403.6	125.1	239.0	212.5	203.0	208.0	225.5	
Feb.	122.4	279.1	149.6	210.0	404.0	124.5	239.0	214.8	203.0	215.5	225.5	
Mar.	122.6	279.5	149.6	210.0	403.5	124.5	239.0	215.3	205.1	216.8	227.4	
Apr.	123.1	280.7	149.6	210.0	404.4	124.5	239.0	222.0	206.8	224.6	227.4	
May	123.2	280.8	149.3	209.3	405.1	124.5	239.0	220.7	206.8	224.6	225.0	
June	124.3	283.4	149.3	209.3	410.3	125.1	246.7	220.7	206.7	226.1	225.9	
July	124.6	284.2	149.3	209.3	412.3	125.1	248.7	220.7	206.7	225.1	226.6	
Aug.	125.2	285.5	149.3	209.3	413.7	125.1	248.7	219.8	208.9	225.1	232.1	
Sept.	125.8	286.8	149.3	209.3	414.6	125.1	248.7	219.8	209.2	244.9	234.5	
Oct.	125.8	286.8	149.3	209.3	413.9	125.1	248.7	223.1	209.2	245.3	236.6	
Nov.	125.7	286.7	149.3	209.3	412.8	126.2	248.7	223.1	210.3	247.7	236.8	
Dec.	126.1	287.5	149.6	209.3	414.6	126.2	248.7	223.9	210.3	247.7	236.8	

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

TABLE 7. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

(1949 = 100)

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
1954	121.8	120.9	127.0	120.6	124.5	115.2	117.6
1954	May	121.1	120.6	126.6	121.1	123.6	114.9
	June	121.2	120.6	126.6	121.1	124.2	115.0
	July	121.2	120.6	127.3	121.1	125.2	114.2
	Aug.	121.1	120.6	127.3	121.1	125.2	114.2
	Sept.	121.3	120.6	127.5	121.1	124.8	115.0
	Oct.	121.3	120.6	127.5	121.1	124.8	115.0
	Nov.	121.5	120.8	127.5	121.1	124.9	115.7
	Dec.	121.4	120.1	127.5	121.0	125.3	115.7
1955	Jan.	121.1	121.1	127.5	121.0	125.4	115.1
	Feb.	121.3	121.1	127.5	121.0	125.5	115.4
	Mar.	121.7	120.2	127.5	121.0	125.3	116.5
	Apr.	122.0	120.2	127.5	120.1	125.5	117.0
	May.	121.8	120.1	126.7	120.0	125.7	117.0
	June	122.1	120.1	126.7	120.0	127.8	116.5
	July	122.3	120.1	126.7	120.0	128.6	116.6
	Aug.	124.2	120.1	126.7	120.0	129.0	118.5
	Sept.	125.7	120.1	126.7	120.0	129.3	120.2
	Oct.	125.9	120.1	126.7	120.0	129.3	120.5
	Nov.	126.0	120.1	126.7	120.0	129.0	120.7
	Dec.	126.0	120.2	126.7	120.1	129.5	120.6
		Steel and Metal Work	Hardware	Lath, Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscellaneous Materials
1950	107.3	103.8	98.7	104.7	100.5	97.7	
1951	122.0	120.3	107.1	128.9	113.0	106.0	
1952	131.3	125.9	109.7	134.5	115.6	106.4	
1953	134.7	129.3	110.0	133.6	125.3	103.8	
1954	128.2	125.4	109.7	132.8	128.2	100.9	
1954	May	126.0	125.7	109.8	132.4	128.1	100.2
	June	126.0	125.7	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2
	July	126.1	125.7	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2
	Aug.	126.1	124.8	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2
	Sept.	126.2	124.8	110.0	133.1	128.3	100.2
	Oct.	126.2	125.2	110.4	133.1	128.3	100.2
	Nov.	126.2	125.2	110.4	133.1	128.3	100.2
	Dec.	126.2	125.2	108.2	133.2	128.4	100.2
1955	Jan.	126.2	125.2	108.2	124.5	128.4	100.2
	Feb.	126.3	126.2	107.7	124.5	128.4	100.2
	Mar.	126.3	129.5	107.7	124.5	128.5	100.2
	Apr.	126.4	129.6	107.7	124.5	134.1	96.4
	May.	126.1	129.6	107.7	123.3	134.1	96.4
	June	126.1	129.4	107.7	128.5	134.1	96.4
	July	126.1	129.4	107.7	128.8	134.1	96.9
	Aug.	131.9	135.7	107.7	129.8	134.1	96.9
	Sept.	134.9	136.4	107.7	129.8	135.0	96.9
	Oct.	135.0	137.9	107.7	129.8	136.2	96.9
	Nov.	135.0	138.5	108.8	129.8	136.2	96.9
	Dec.	135.0	138.5	108.9	129.8	136.3	96.9

TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity <u>1/</u>	Unit	Yearly Average 1954	December 1954	November 1955	December 1955
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, Domestic ...	bu.	1.760	1.706	1.729	1.720
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, I.W.A.	bu.	1.760	1.706	1.729	1.720
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.803	.946	.802	.815
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.012	1.145	1.021	1.005
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.065	1.136	.952	1.030
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bbl.	11.575	11.400	11.200	11.200
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal ..	cwt.	7.110	7.078	7.078	7.078
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.144	1.120	1.440	1.490
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.900	.780	.650	.625
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75-lb. bag	1.608	2.175	1.250	1.181
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.528	20.300	19.650	19.300
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	31.015	26.800	22.570	22.640
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.139	.138	.160	.165
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.720	.720	.620	.620
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b.					
Ontario factory	sq.ft.	.367	.350	.330	.350
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal	lb.	.599	.626	.592	.594
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.521	.442	.663	.590
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.342	.339	.349	.349
COTTON YARN, 10's white	lb.	.645	.650	.720	.720
RAYON YARN, 36 filament, 150 denier	lb.	.803	.730	.780	.780
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ...	lb.	.513	.480	.460	.480
WOOL, Raw, Australian, 64's	lb.	1.691	1.420	1.310	1.350
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Mill, in Canadian					
funds (Southern Quebec)	ton	108.684	108.097	115.438	115.492
PINE, No. 1 and 2 common, 1"x8", 8/16' .	M.bd.ft.	165.000	165.000	175.000	175.000
SPRUCE, Merchantable, 1"x6/7"	M.bd.ft.	81.917	82.750	88.250	88.250
PIG IRON, Malleable	gr.ton	56.875	56.500	59.000	59.000
SCRAP IRON, No. 1	gr.ton	43.083	43.000	43.000	45.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales ...	cwt.	29.198	29.044	43.000	43.000
LEAD, Pig, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	13.353	14.250	14.750	14.821
TIN INGOTS, 99.8%	lb.	.929	.909	1.009	1.072
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic,					
domestic sales	cwt.	12.053	12.850	14.350	14.350
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.124	19.490	18.500	18.500
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.226	.221	.226	.226
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Winnipeg	gal.	.225	.219	.224	.224
CEMENT, Portland, Toronto	bbl.	3.462	3.370	3.370	3.370
CEMENT, Portland, Calgary	bbl.	3.232	3.140	3.140	3.140
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb.sq.	8.450	8.450	8.230	8.230
SODA ASH, 58% light	cwt.	2.410	2.410	2.350	2.350
SULPHURIC ACID, 66° Baume	ton	26.350	26.350	26.350	25.350

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
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
1954	116.2	112.2	126.5	109.4	117.4	117.4
1955	116.4	112.1	129.4	108.0	116.4	118.1
<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	117.5
	February 1	115.7	111.7	125.4	110.0	117.5
	March 1	115.5	110.7	125.6	109.8	117.6
	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	117.1
	February 1	116.3	111.5	128.5	108.1	117.1
	March 1	116.0	110.7	128.6	108.0	117.0
	April 1	116.1	111.0	128.7	107.9	116.9
	May 2	116.4	112.3	128.8	107.9	116.4
	June 1	115.9	111.0	129.2	107.8	116.1
	July 2	116.0	111.5	129.6	107.8	115.8
	August 1	116.4	112.4	129.8	107.8	115.8
	September 1	116.8	113.7	130.0	107.8	115.9
	October 1	116.9	113.5	130.2	107.8	116.1
	November 1	116.9	113.0	130.6	107.9	116.5
	December 1	116.9	112.4	131.0	108.5	116.6

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

(1949 = 100)

	1953	1954	1955	December 1953	December 1954	October 1955	November 1955	December 1955
<u>Total Index</u>	115.5	116.2	116.4	115.8	116.6	116.9	116.9	116.9
<u>Food</u>	112.6	112.2	112.1	112.1	112.6	113.5	113.0	112.4
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	112.4	111.8	111.9	112.8	112.7	111.5	111.5	111.6
Cereal Products	119.3	122.4	122.0	122.4	122.3	122.2	122.1	122.1
Meats, Fish and Poultry	108.2	105.8	101.3	109.8	104.9	104.5	105.5	104.6
<u>Shelter</u>	123.6	126.5	129.4	125.2	128.2	130.2	130.6	131.0
Rent Home-Ownership	125.4 121.2	129.8 122.2	133.3 124.4	127.7 122.0	131.9 123.3	134.1 125.1	134.2 125.8	134.4 126.5
<u>Clothing</u>	110.1	109.4	108.0	110.2	108.1	107.8	107.9	108.5
Men's Wear	113.5	113.8	113.0	113.9	113.5	112.9	112.9	112.9
Women's Wear	102.5	100.9	98.4	102.4	98.3	98.2	98.2	99.5
Children's Wear	108.6	107.5	106.2	108.1	106.4	106.1	105.7	105.6
Footwear	127.7	127.6	127.3	127.6	127.2	127.1	128.3	128.4
Piece Goods	106.2	108.7	108.4	108.4	108.7	108.2	108.2	108.2
<u>Household Operation</u>	117.0	117.4	116.4	117.4	117.1	116.1	116.5	116.6
Fuel	116.0	114.9	112.7	116.6	114.3	112.3	113.8	114.4
Electricity	114.6	115.9	116.0	115.6	116.0	115.9	115.9	115.9
Home Furnishings	116.7	115.6	113.7	116.4	114.8	112.8	113.0	112.9
Furniture	117.2	117.6	115.9	117.9	116.8	115.5	115.5	115.5
Utensils and Equipment	121.2	122.1	123.1	121.8	122.6	123.2	124.0	124.0
Supplies and Services	118.7	121.8	122.9	119.9	122.5	123.1	123.2	123.2
Supplies	113.5	115.8	116.3	114.5	116.0	116.5	116.6	116.5
Services	122.2	126.0	127.4	123.6	127.0	127.7	127.7	127.8
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	115.8	117.4	118.1	116.3	118.2	118.1	118.3	118.3
Transportation	119.2	120.0	118.5	119.8	120.5	117.8	117.7	117.8
Automobile Operation	114.5	114.7	111.0	115.2	114.1	109.2	109.0	109.1
Recreation	116.7	119.5	122.6	118.3	121.2	122.9	123.7	123.7
Health Care	122.0	127.4	130.4	123.7	129.2	131.4	131.4	131.4
Drugs	108.7	109.5	111.0	108.9	110.1	111.2	111.2	111.2
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	108.0	107.3	107.4	107.2	107.3	107.5	107.5	107.5
Personal Care	115.9	117.9	118.0	116.3	118.3	117.5	118.1	118.1
Personal Supplies	111.5	113.6	112.7	111.4	113.9	111.7	111.7	111.7

TABLE 11. - PRICE RELATIVES FOR SPECIFIED FOODS INCLUDED IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(1949 = 100)

	Beef, Blade Roast	Beef, Sir- loin	Pork, Rib Chops	Bacon	Salmon, Canned	Chicken	Butter	Mar- garine
1953	106.2	113.0	113.7	101.0	95.9	108.6	100.7	117.9
1954	99.7	109.4	116.8	113.2	96.6	95.8	99.0	117.5
1955	101.7	113.6	108.2	91.4	105.9	93.8	99.2	104.7
1954 Dec. 1	101.1	112.1	105.0	95.6	103.4	85.5	102.1	116.9
1955 Jan. 3	102.1	112.8	105.0	94.2	103.4	86.7	102.6	117.9
Feb. 1	102.3	111.3	103.4	93.0	103.8	85.7	102.8	114.2
1955 June 1	101.5	112.3	104.6	89.2	105.0	97.8	96.4	101.9
July 2	101.9	114.5	114.1	92.3	105.4	98.7	96.0	100.9
Aug. 1	100.9	117.7	113.8	92.3	105.4	98.9	96.7	96.6
Sept. 1	101.1	118.9	120.6	92.5	107.5	98.1	97.7	101.3
Oct. 1	103.0	116.7	120.5	93.0	108.7	96.2	98.0	101.9
Nov. 1	102.1	114.6	114.5	91.3	109.5	94.4	98.3	101.9
Dec. 1	101.7	113.6	103.1	88.5	109.5	94.2	98.4	102.2
	Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Toma- toes, Fresh	Carrots
1953	87.4	109.9	97.7	94.8	120.0	111.8	102.3	132.3
1954	91.8	92.9	99.0	116.8	119.2	107.6	101.4	153.2
1955	91.8	99.9	102.5	108.2	117.9	134.5	100.4	152.8
1954 Dec. 1	91.4	85.2	101.6	111.0	119.5	124.9	107.8	146.5
1955 Jan. 3	91.4	81.9	101.6	103.4	119.5	125.2	109.5	151.9
Feb. 1	91.1	79.0	101.6	107.3	119.5	128.6	120.6	159.9
1955 June 1	92.0	87.6	103.1	109.6	118.8	184.6	100.9	158.5
July 2	91.7	106.6	103.5	108.5	118.8	166.2	115.5	173.2
Aug. 1	92.3	114.0	103.1	108.8	118.1	132.3	77.8	155.9
Sept. 1	91.7	119.0	102.6	105.4	116.0	106.5	60.3	137.2
Oct. 1	92.3	118.7	102.6	107.3	115.3	97.0	78.3	133.2
Nov. 1	92.6	117.9	102.1	106.2	115.3	93.9	101.4	137.2
Dec. 1	92.6	113.3	102.1	125.5	114.6	99.6	108.2	146.5
	Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Granu- lated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
1953	118.5	113.2	121.5	108.9	107.8	104.5	98.1	164.1
1954	118.5	111.6	126.8	110.2	101.8	107.5	105.4	200.9
1955	118.5	112.8	126.4	106.4	99.7	110.3	129.5	173.7
1954 Dec. 1	118.5	112.0	126.8	107.6	100.8	110.8	115.9	193.8
1955 Jan. 3	118.5	112.4	126.8	107.6	100.8	110.8	121.1	193.2
Feb. 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	106.2	100.8	110.8	126.3	189.8
1955 June 1	118.5	112.7	125.8	106.2	99.7	110.8	130.2	166.7
July 2	118.5	113.0	125.8	106.2	98.6	110.8	129.4	165.4
Aug. 1	118.5	113.0	125.8	106.2	99.7	110.0	129.4	165.2
Sept. 1	118.5	113.0	126.8	106.2	98.6	109.5	129.4	167.3
Oct. 1	118.5	113.0	126.8	106.2	98.6	109.5	129.4	171.8
Nov. 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	106.2	98.6	109.5	129.2	174.6
Dec. 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	106.2	98.6	109.5	129.2	174.2

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									
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
1954		102.8	114.1	116.6	116.8	116.2	118.3	115.3	114.2	114.9	117.4
1955		104.2	114.8	117.7	116.9	117.2	118.8	115.9	114.6	114.6	117.9
<u>1952</u>	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
	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
	February 1	102.7	114.6	117.6	117.1	117.0	118.7	115.4	113.8	114.5	118.3
	March 1	102.9	114.5	117.6	116.7	116.8	118.2	115.2	113.7	114.2	117.9
	April 1	103.5	114.6	117.6	116.7	116.9	118.4	115.3	113.9	114.2	117.2
	May 2	105.0	115.4	118.1	117.0	117.3	118.9	115.6	114.4	114.2	117.2
	June 1	104.3	114.6	117.3	116.3	116.9	118.3	115.0	114.3	113.8	116.8
	July 2	104.5	114.7	117.3	116.7	117.0	118.7	115.5	114.3	114.1	116.5
	August 1	105.8	115.1	117.8	116.8	117.3	118.5	116.1	115.1	114.6	116.8
	September 1	105.1	115.2	118.1	117.1	117.5	119.2	116.5	115.4	115.2	118.1
	October 1	104.8	114.9	117.8	117.0	117.7	119.4	116.6	115.5	115.2	118.5
	November 1	104.6	114.9	117.6	117.1	117.7	119.0	116.9	115.6	115.1	118.6
	December 1	104.5	114.7	117.7	116.7	117.8	118.9	116.9	115.7	115.1	120.3

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

(1949=100)

		St. John's Nfld.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
Food Index											
<u>1953</u>	July	2	99.6	108.6	113.5	116.8	112.8	111.6	114.9	114.4	113.7
	August	1	101.8	109.8	115.1	116.0	112.9	111.7	113.8	114.6	113.9
	September	1	101.4	108.9	113.2	114.8	112.8	111.8	112.6	113.6	113.3
	October	1	101.4	108.6	113.1	117.4	115.5	114.1	112.8	114.6	113.6
	November	2	102.3	107.0	111.8	115.8	113.0	111.6	112.3	112.1	111.9
	December	1	101.3	105.7	110.8	115.1	111.4	110.3	110.8	110.8	110.7
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.0	105.5	110.3	115.1	110.3	110.2	110.9	110.2	109.9
	February	1	100.4	106.5	110.6	115.5	110.5	110.0	111.1	110.4	109.9
	March	1	99.5	105.6	109.8	113.4	109.8	108.9	110.2	110.0	109.9
	April	1	98.9	105.5	109.2	112.6	109.3	108.9	110.2	108.7	109.0
	May	1	99.3	104.7	108.4	112.7	109.3	109.1	109.7	108.0	109.3
	June	1	100.0	105.7	109.1	114.3	110.8	110.9	111.0	110.6	110.4
	July	2	100.2	105.7	109.5	115.1	111.4	112.0	111.9	110.6	110.4
	August	2	105.0	110.5	113.8	114.8	113.1	112.8	114.7	114.3	112.8
	September	1	102.2	109.1	114.4	113.4	112.8	111.6	112.0	114.2	113.5
	October	1	101.3	108.4	113.8	115.0	113.8	111.9	111.7	114.1	112.7
	November	1	100.9	107.5	113.4	115.6	112.7	111.2	112.0	112.5	112.1
	December	1	101.1	107.8	113.2	115.3	112.0	110.5	110.9	110.2	110.7
<u>1955</u>	January	3	101.1	107.0	112.9	115.1	111.2	110.6	110.8	110.1	110.0
	February	1	101.4	106.8	112.6	115.4	111.0	109.6	110.5	109.7	109.4
	March	1	101.5	106.6	112.3	114.2	110.2	108.8	109.7	109.2	108.5
	April	1	102.1	106.5	112.2	114.0	110.7	109.6	110.1	109.6	108.4
	May	2	106.1	108.8	113.7	114.8	111.2	111.1	110.9	109.5	108.5
	June	1	103.9	106.2	111.0	112.7	110.2	109.9	109.9	109.6	108.0
	July	2	103.5	106.3	110.7	114.5	110.7	111.2	110.9	110.1	109.0
	August	1	105.2	107.6	112.7	114.7	111.4	110.5	111.6	112.7	110.7
	September	1	102.8	107.6	113.7	115.3	112.0	112.8	112.7	113.6	112.5
	October	1	101.3	106.5	112.0	114.9	112.0	112.8	112.8	114.2	112.3
	November	1	100.7	106.3	110.8	115.3	110.9	111.1	113.7	113.9	111.9
	December	1	100.5	105.7	110.9	113.9	110.5	110.2	113.5	113.7	111.5
Shelter Index											
<u>1954</u>	September	1	107.4	123.0	122.1	133.6	129.3	142.0	124.1	114.3	119.7
	October	1	107.5	123.3	122.1	134.0	129.7	142.5	124.4	114.9	120.9
	November	1	107.5	123.3	122.6	134.1	130.9	143.7	124.9	115.0	121.0
	December	1	107.5	123.3	124.1	134.1	131.1	144.7	125.7	115.2	121.0
<u>1955</u>	January	3	108.0	123.3	124.1	134.4	131.9	145.2	125.7	115.4	121.0
	February	1	108.0	123.3	124.8	134.4	132.2	145.6	125.7	115.6	121.0
	March	1	108.0	123.3	125.0	134.5	132.2	145.6	126.0	115.7	121.1
	April	1	108.0	123.5	125.1	134.6	132.3	145.8	126.0	116.0	121.1
	May	2	108.6	123.6	125.1	134.8	132.7	145.9	126.0	117.4	121.1
	June	1	108.6	123.7	125.1	135.8	133.3	146.4	126.0	117.8	121.1
	July	2	108.6	124.3	125.6	136.0	133.4	146.9	126.0	118.1	121.1
	August	1	108.6	124.5	125.6	136.0	133.9	147.0	126.0	118.1	121.1
	September	1	109.7	124.6	125.6	136.0	134.0	147.7	126.3	118.1	121.1
	October	1	109.7	124.9	126.7	136.0	134.7	147.7	126.6	118.1	121.1
	November	1	109.7	124.9	127.2	136.1	135.7	147.7	126.9	118.1	121.1
	December	1	109.7	124.9	127.5	136.1	135.9	147.7	126.9	118.1	121.1
											128.0

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

(1949=100)

		St. John's Nfld.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
<u>Clothing Index</u>											
1954	September	1	102.0	115.6	117.9	110.2	112.9	111.4	114.8	116.4	113.7
	October	1	101.9	115.2	117.9	107.3	111.8	110.5	113.1	116.4	112.8
	November	1	101.8	114.9	117.9	107.1	111.3	110.4	112.5	116.4	112.6
	December	1	101.8	114.5	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.4	112.4	114.9	112.6
1955	January	3	101.8	114.4	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.4	112.7	114.9	112.6
	February	1	101.6	114.6	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.3	112.7	114.9	112.6
	March	1	101.3	114.7	116.2	107.1	111.2	110.2	112.7	114.9	112.6
	April	1	101.2	114.6	116.2	107.2	111.1	109.9	112.6	114.9	112.6
	May	2	101.1	114.6	116.2	107.1	111.1	109.9	112.6	114.9	112.5
	June	1	100.7	114.6	116.1	107.1	111.1	109.9	112.6	114.6	112.5
	July	2	100.7	114.6	116.1	107.1	111.1	109.7	112.5	114.6	112.5
	August	1	100.7	114.5	116.1	107.1	111.0	109.9	112.4	114.6	112.2
	September	1	100.6	114.5	116.1	107.1	111.0	109.9	112.4	114.4	112.5
	October	1	100.3	114.6	116.1	107.0	111.1	110.0	112.4	114.4	112.5
	November	1	100.3	114.5	116.1	107.1	111.2	110.1	112.3	114.4	112.5
	December	1	100.5	114.5	116.2	108.0	111.6	110.8	113.1	114.7	112.9
<u>Household Operation Index</u>											
1954	September	1	103.5	119.0	116.4	115.9	115.9	116.3	113.5	118.4	115.5
	October	1	103.3	119.0	116.4	116.0	116.4	116.5	113.5	118.4	115.5
	November	1	102.9	118.9	116.4	115.9	116.4	116.1	113.6	118.4	115.5
	December	1	103.0	119.0	116.4	115.8	116.3	116.0	113.6	117.9	115.7
1955	January	3	100.8	119.0	116.4	115.8	116.7	116.2	113.5	117.9	115.7
	February	1	100.8	118.9	116.4	115.8	116.7	116.2	113.5	117.9	115.7
	March	1	100.5	118.9	116.3	116.0	116.6	115.4	113.5	117.9	115.7
	April	1	100.5	118.9	116.3	115.9	116.5	115.0	113.5	117.9	115.8
	May	2	100.5	118.9	116.4	115.2	117.2	114.7	113.5	117.8	115.7
	June	1	101.4	118.9	116.5	114.8	116.8	114.3	113.4	117.8	115.8
	July	2	103.0	118.9	116.5	114.4	116.3	114.3	114.1	116.9	115.7
	August	1	102.7	118.9	116.5	114.5	116.3	114.4	114.1	116.9	115.7
	September	1	102.7	118.9	116.5	114.6	116.3	114.4	114.2	116.9	115.8
	October	1	103.3	119.6	117.0	114.5	116.0	114.4	114.1	116.9	115.7
	November	1	103.3	119.6	117.0	114.9	116.0	115.1	114.1	116.9	115.8
	December	1	103.2	119.7	117.2	115.2	116.5	115.2	114.1	116.9	115.8
<u>Other Commodities and Services Index</u>											
1954	September	1	103.5	116.0	122.9	116.8	118.8	119.0	117.5	112.7	118.1
	October	1	103.5	116.1	123.0	116.8	119.1	119.1	117.6	113.0	118.3
	November	1	103.5	116.9	123.0	116.8	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.0	118.7
	December	1	103.5	116.9	123.0	116.8	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.7
1955	January	3	103.6	116.9	123.0	116.9	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.4
	February	1	103.6	118.5	123.8	116.9	119.8	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.5
	March	1	104.9	118.5	124.0	116.8	119.7	119.3	117.9	113.1	118.2
	April	1	106.3	118.8	124.0	116.9	119.8	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.3
	May	2	106.5	119.3	124.1	117.3	120.1	119.4	118.1	114.8	118.1
	June	1	106.5	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.6	118.6	117.5	114.2	117.4
	July	2	106.6	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.5	118.4	117.4	114.2	117.3
	August	1	110.0	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.6	118.6	119.0	114.2	117.3
	September	1	110.1	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.5	118.3	119.1	114.3	117.1
	October	1	110.9	119.1	124.0	116.8	120.2	118.4	119.4	114.5	117.6
	November	1	110.9	119.1	124.1	116.6	120.8	118.8	119.0	115.2	117.6
	December	1	110.9	119.2	124.1	116.6	120.8	118.8	119.2	116.0	117.6

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

TABLE 13. - ACTUAL AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES IN MANUFACTURINGADJUSTED FOR CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1)

1945 - 1955

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)
			\$	\$	(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
1954 - Average	57.16	49.19	137.0	117.9	116.2
 <u>1953</u> - 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
 <u>1954</u> - 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	49.89	139.5	119.6	116.6
 <u>1955</u> - Jan. 1	56.12	48.21	134.5	115.6	116.4
Feb. 1	58.51	50.31	140.3	120.6	116.3
Mar. 1	59.12	50.97	141.7	122.2	116.0
Apr. 1	59.31	51.09	142.2	122.5	116.1
May 1	59.90	51.46	143.6	123.4	116.4
June 1	59.66	51.48	143.0	123.4	115.9
July 1	59.31	51.13	142.2	122.6	116.0
Aug. 1	59.20	50.86	141.9	121.9	116.4
Sept. 1	59.25	50.73	142.1	121.6	116.8
Oct. 1	60.09	51.40	144.1	123.2	116.9
Nov. 1	60.44(P)	51.70(P)	144.9(P)	124.0(P)	116.9

(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)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX									
	Inves- tors' Total	Total Indus- trial	Machin- ery and Equip- ment	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Pro- ducts	Bever- ages	Build- ing Mater- ials
	(98)	(78)	(10)	(9)	(2)	(5)	(10)	(15)	(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	69.4	47.1	104.0	77.6	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
1953 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
1954 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
1955 Jan. ...	207.3	211.0	554.2	840.5	157.9	161.0	179.6	154.7	511.0	395.9
Feb. ...	214.7	219.2	592.7	873.6	171.0	162.0	178.2	157.6	518.7	407.4
Mar. ...	213.7	218.0	616.4	864.5	162.1	158.5	173.0	159.9	511.8	404.6
Apr. ...	216.5	222.0	641.3	911.0	172.7	157.5	169.4	169.8	507.8	408.6
May ...	222.1	227.8	658.4	991.4	180.1	154.0	170.0	171.0	556.7	423.7
June ...	237.1	244.4	726.2	1044.7	183.8	163.6	172.4	177.2	582.2	447.7
July ...	246.5	252.8	760.8	1069.8	197.0	169.2	178.3	187.5	589.3	458.7
Aug. ...	245.3	252.3	735.6	1066.9	198.5	164.7	176.2	194.8	592.0	457.2
Sept. ...	255.9	265.9	794.0	1098.2	215.1	174.1	183.2	199.6	640.1	467.9
Oct. ...	239.9	248.9	742.7	1044.9	227.1	164.1	187.3	196.2	609.8	435.8
Nov. ...	245.6	255.3	766.5	1062.5	213.3	168.8	187.7	197.1	593.2	453.8
Dec. ...	247.6	257.0	763.8	1073.3	209.1	170.8	178.2	200.0	581.9	457.8
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Dec. 1.	246.3	255.5	769.3	1076.0	209.5	166.8	182.9	196.1	579.8	460.8
Dec. 8.	250.0	260.2	781.9	1085.8	207.2	171.2	177.1	203.5	590.4	459.6
Dec. 15.	246.3	255.5	774.3	1064.8	206.7	168.1	177.5	200.1	579.7	457.0
Dec. 22.	246.6	255.6	745.0	1065.3	208.6	171.1	174.9	201.0	579.1	455.4
Dec. 29	248.8	258.1	748.6	1074.6	213.7	176.8	178.4	199.2	580.4	456.4

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES (Concluded)

(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX						MINING INDEX (1)		
	Indus- trial Mines	Total Utili- ties	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone	Power and Traction	Banks	Mining Total	Golds	Base Metals
	(2)	(13)	(2)	(3)	(8)	(7)	(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
1954	123.2	165.0	291.6	111.0	150.2	208.0	91.3	64.8	151.9
1953 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
Feb.	164.8	184.0	336.6	119.4	167.7	241.1	106.4	69.3	191.3
Mar.	162.8	185.2	339.7	119.8	168.9	236.5	105.7	69.0	189.6
Apr.	166.3	185.6	338.8	118.1	173.6	233.0	110.2	71.1	199.8
May	170.8	191.7	362.5	122.1	173.4	234.4	114.2	72.8	209.0
June	188.1	202.9	388.7	128.0	183.1	243.3	121.5	75.9	226.0
July	194.8	208.9	391.7	130.9	194.3	270.6	125.7	75.0	241.8
Aug.	203.0	207.0	383.2	129.5	195.2	263.2	129.1	76.3	250.0
Sept.	212.4	211.2	390.8	132.2	199.3	259.0	129.0	75.3	252.0
Oct.	191.2	200.6	371.0	129.6	182.1	240.0	117.6	71.0	224.2
Nov.	200.8	201.4	370.6	129.6	184.7	250.8	119.6	71.2	230.2
Dec.	204.5	204.2	386.1	129.3	186.0	253.4	121.4	72.6	233.0
Weekly Index									
Dec. 1	203.6	203.4	382.8	129.8	184.1	252.6	119.0	71.6	227.4
Dec. 8	208.2	204.4	391.4	129.2	184.0	253.4	121.2	71.8	234.2
Dec. 15	201.9	203.1	385.0	128.8	184.1	253.3	119.7	71.0	231.3
Dec. 22	204.6	204.4	384.0	129.2	187.7	253.9	121.9	73.5	232.7
Dec. 29	204.2	205.9	387.5	129.4	189.9	253.9	125.0	74.9	239.6

(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	176.0
March	138.9	142.8	153.7	166.0	159.5	163.6	165.4	176.2
April	144.2	140.9	154.4	165.2	157.2	161.6	168.0	175.4
May	147.0	139.9	157.3	164.3	157.2	162.9	169.7	176.1
June	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7	163.0	170.7	177.9
July	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8	163.8	171.3	179.5
August	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6	164.3	173.0	179.9
September	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4	162.0	173.4	179.0
October	143.7	145.8	161.1	164.2	161.2	161.0	174.1	179.2
November	144.6	150.0	161.1	162.8	160.3	161.6	175.4	177.6
December	144.6	150.7	160.2	159.5	160.7	161.7	175.4	173.9
Year	144.6	143.0	156.7	164.5	160.1	162.3	170.2	

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF UNITED STATES STOCK PRICESSource: 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	268.8
February	114.2	117.2	136.7	174.7	183.2	195.9	199.6	278.1
March	116.4	118.0	138.8	170.3	185.3	198.0	204.9	277.5
April	124.6	118.5	141.8	172.3	183.7	190.0	212.7	286.2
May	130.2	117.7	146.9	173.9	183.7	189.6	219.8	285.0
June	135.1	112.0	147.7	171.7	187.6	182.8	221.8	300.7
July	131.9	117.8	138.2	172.8	192.1	185.5	231.1	315.3
August	127.1	121.8	147.2	181.5	191.1	187.3	236.4	311.0
September	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2	179.2	238.5	323.2
October	127.8	127.3	157.8	185.0	183.4	183.4	243.5	306.2
November	120.4	129.1	156.1	177.7	189.8	187.5	252.2	321.5
December	119.4	132.7	158.4	182.5	197.0	190.7	264.5	
Year	124.4	121.4	146.4	176.5	187.7	189.0	226.7	

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	96.8
March	96.7	94.7	90.2	104.6	115.1	118.9	104.7	95.9
April	96.5	94.4	90.7	104.9	115.3	118.9	100.2	95.2
May	95.3	94.4	90.2	104.9	112.6	119.6	99.7	96.2
June	95.4	94.4	90.2	105.3	114.0	120.6	99.7	95.7
July	95.6	93.8	91.0	104.7	117.3	120.7	97.9	96.6
August	96.2	92.7	90.5	104.9	119.1	121.0	97.3	101.5
September	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6	121.5	97.9	102.1
October	96.3	89.1	92.0	105.7	118.6	120.8	98.1	102.9
November	95.7	89.2	93.9	107.8	117.8	118.3	98.8	105.1
December	95.5	90.3	96.7	112.0	118.0	117.3	98.9	110.2
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	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates	Farm Wage Rates	Farm Family Living	Composite Index Inclusive of Living Component
	(a)		(a)			(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
1953	239.8	207.4	168.2	449.1	203.6	225.3
1954	237.2	203.3	174.6	441.2	204.5	224.2
1952 - August	245.4	212.5	161.4	471.9	204.5	229.0
1953 - August	243.6	206.3	168.2	475.8	204.9	228.1
1954 - April	239.3	204.1	174.6	450.8	204.2	225.3
August	240.0	201.9	174.6	463.2	204.5	225.8
1955 - January	231.8	205.8	174.6	399.4	203.9	220.6
April	240.3	204.7	174.6	454.2	203.8	225.7
August	241.3	203.3	174.6	465.5	203.8	226.3
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
1953	242.3	207.5	158.7	431.5	201.4	225.9
1954	238.8	202.4	164.5	424.1	202.0	224.1
1952 - August	246.8	211.7	152.4	447.4	202.7	229.2
1953 - August	244.0	205.2	158.7	447.1	202.4	227.3
1954 - April	238.5	203.5	164.5	419.2	201.5	223.7
August	239.8	200.9	164.5	433.8	202.1	224.7
1955 - January	238.3	205.5	164.5	412.1	201.8	223.7
April	242.4	205.3	164.5	433.4	201.7	226.1
August	242.8	203.3	164.5	441.6	201.3	226.2
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
1953	237.3	207.3	176.3	474.1	205.8	224.7
1954	235.7	204.2	183.2	465.5	207.0	224.2
1952 - August	243.9	213.2	169.0	506.8	206.3	228.9
1953 - August	243.2	207.3	176.3	516.6	207.4	228.9
1954 - April	240.2	204.7	183.2	495.7	206.9	226.9
August	240.2	202.8	183.2	505.1	206.9	226.9
1955 - January	225.2	206.1	183.2	381.3	206.0	217.5
April	238.1	204.1	183.2	483.8	205.9	225.2
August	239.8	203.4	183.2	499.4	206.3	226.4

(a) 1955 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	1953	1954	1954	1955	
		Average	Average	December Average	November Average	December Average
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
United States	dollar	.9834	.9732	.9680	.9994	.9995
United Kingdom	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.6988	2.8004	2.8015
Argentina	peso (free)	.07079	.07006	.06968	.03111	.02806
Australia	pound	2.2133	2.1874	2.1591	2.2403	2.2412
Belgium (1)	franc	.01969	.01945	.01932	.01995	.01999
Brazil	cruzeiro (free)	-	.01456	.01276	.01511	.01496
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5764	.5696	.5623	.5834	.5837
Ceylon	rupee	.2075	.2051	.2024	.2100	.2101
Chile	peso	.00890	.00843	.00484	.00500	.00500
Colombia	peso (basic)	.3921	.3894	.3872	.3998	.3998
Cuba	peso	.9834	.9733	.9680	.9994	.9995
Denmark	krone	.1424	.1409	.1402	.1447	.1447
Egypt	pound	2.8239	2.7949	2.7798	2.8700	2.8701
France and North Africa	franc	.00281	.00278	.00277	.00286	.00286
Germany	deutsche mark	.2342	.2317	.2305	.2372	.2372
Hong Kong	dollar	.1729	.1709	.1687	.1750	.1751
India	rupee	.2075	.2051	.2024	.2100	.2101
Ireland	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.6988	2.8004	2.8015
Italy	lira	.00158	.00156	.00155	.00160	.00160
Jamaica	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.6988	2.8004	2.8015
Japan	yen	.00273	.00270	.00269	.00278	.00278
Lebanon	pound (free)	.2872	.3031	.2985	.3090	.3079
Mexico	peso	.1137	.08810	.07744	.07996	.07996
Netherlands	guilder	.2588	.2568	.2551	.2621	.2612
New Zealand	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.6988	2.8004	2.8015
Norway	krone	.1377	.1363	.1355	.1399	.1399
Pakistan	rupee	.2972	.2942	.2926	.2100	.2101
Peru	sol-certificate	.05908	.05011	.05095	.05260	.05260
Philippines	peso	.4917	.4866	.4840	.4997	.4997
Portugal	escudo	.03431	.03397	.03378	.03488	.03488
Singapore	dollar	.3228	.3190	.3149	.3267	.3268
Sweden	krona	.1901	.1881	.1871	.1932	.1932
Switzerland	franc	.2293	.2270	.2259	.2333	.2332
Turkey	lira	.3512	.3476	.3457	.3569	.3569
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.6988	2.8004	2.8015
Venezuela	bolivar	.2936	.2905	.2890	.2983	.2983
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00328	.00324	.00323	.00333	.00333

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

(1) Includes Belgian Empire and Luxemburg.

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

Country	Base Period	1939	1954	1955					
				July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1952-53		103.6(1)			105.7			
Canada	1949	63.2	116.2	116.0	116.4	116.8	116.9	116.9	116.9
France (Paris)	1949		143.3	143.1	143.0	144.5	146.0	146.1	146.3
Germany	1950		108	111	110	110	111	112	
India (New Delhi)	1949		104	98	101	101			
Italy	1938		5,806	6,001	6,011(2)	5,993			
Japan	1951		119.1	117.0	117.8	117.4	119.0		
Mexico	1939	100.0	473.1	554.5	567.6	572.7	581.8	581.2	
Netherlands	1951		108	107	106	105	105		
Norway	1949	63.8	142	144	144	143	143	143	
South Africa	1938	99.9	195.9	202.6	201.5	203.4	204.4	203.6	
Sweden	1949		129	133	133	134	135	137	
Switzerland	August 1939		171.0	172.4	172.8	173.1	173.4	173.6	
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952		107.7	113.3	112.5	113.2	114.4		
United States	1947-49	59.4	114.8	114.7	114.5	114.9	114.9	115.0	
Venezuela	1938	105.5	201.2	197.8					
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936-39	101.1	321(1)	335					
Canada	1935-39	99.2	217.0	218.4	219.6	220.9	220.0	220.7	221.4
France	1949		135.9	134.0	134.9	136.6	136.4	137.4	137.7
Germany	1938		253	266	266	265	265	265	
India	1938-39		386.7	355.6	357.2	353.2	357.2		
Italy	1938		5,293	5,294	5,276(2)	5,275			
Japan (Tokyo)	1952		99.7	97.0	97.5	97.7	97.9		
Mexico (Mexico City) ⁽⁴⁾ ..	1939	100.0	433.6	509.6	513.1	512.2	516.9	516.0	
Netherlands	1948		136	136	136	136			
Norway	1938	102	280	283	283	281	282	282	
South Africa	1938	97.6	263.1	272.2					
Sweden	1935	115	297	313	311	312	314		
Switzerland	August 1939		214.4	214.5	215.1	215.6	215.5	215.2	
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	329.9	342.4	342.6	342.9	345.3(2)	347.8	
United States	1947-49	50.1	110.3	110.5	110.9	111.7	111.6(2)	111.2	
Venezuela	1938	106.2	175.1	177.3(3)					

1. Average from July 1954 to June 1955.

2. Revised.

3. Index for June 1955.

4. New index, not comparable with data previously published.

Appearing in this BulletinPRICES AND PRICE INDEXES, 1949-1952 (VOLUME 23)

This report, which covers 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 by writing to the Dominion Statistician. There is a charge of \$1.50 per copy.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXESCanadian Farm Products

Wheat prices used in this index are buying prices of Canadian Wheat Board, for Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Manitoba Northern at Fort William-Port Arthur. The initial payment price is first used and revised as further payments are announced.

For the crop year 1953-1954, the initial price for No. 1 of \$1.40 was used until November 1954, when the index was revised for the crop year on the basis of a price of \$1.50 as announced November 6, 1954. Final payments were announced May 19, 1955 and the price for No. 1 Manitoba Northern, for example, was adjusted from \$1.50 to \$1.563 per bushel. For the crop years 1954-55 and 1955-56, the index is based on an initial payment of \$1.40 for No. 1, and is subject to revision.

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 1953-54 crop year were announced October 12, 1954 for barley, and October 29, 1954 for oats. For the 1954-55 crop year final payments were announced November 22, and December 1, respectively.

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

The Consumer Price Index was constructed to replace the Cost-of-Living Index and was first published October 23, 1952.

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 was 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 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 was 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 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.

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. The regional indexes with the exception of the one for

* 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).

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.

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.

In using the city indexes, it should be remembered that they are not indicators of comparative levels of prices as between the cities. That is, they do not in any way indicate whether prices are higher or lower in one city than in another. This fact may be illustrated by reference to temperature changes occurring in two cities. Suppose that in city A the temperature increases by 20 per cent from Time 1 to Time 2, and that in city B it increases 30 per cent during the same interval. In this instance an index of temperature change for city A would be 120 at Time 2 when Time 1 = 100, and the corresponding index for city B would be 130. From these indexes, it is obviously impossible to say whether or not it is warmer or colder in city A or city B. While the indexes form valid measurements of temperature change, they do not in any way indicate the comparative levels of temperature.

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 98 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.

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