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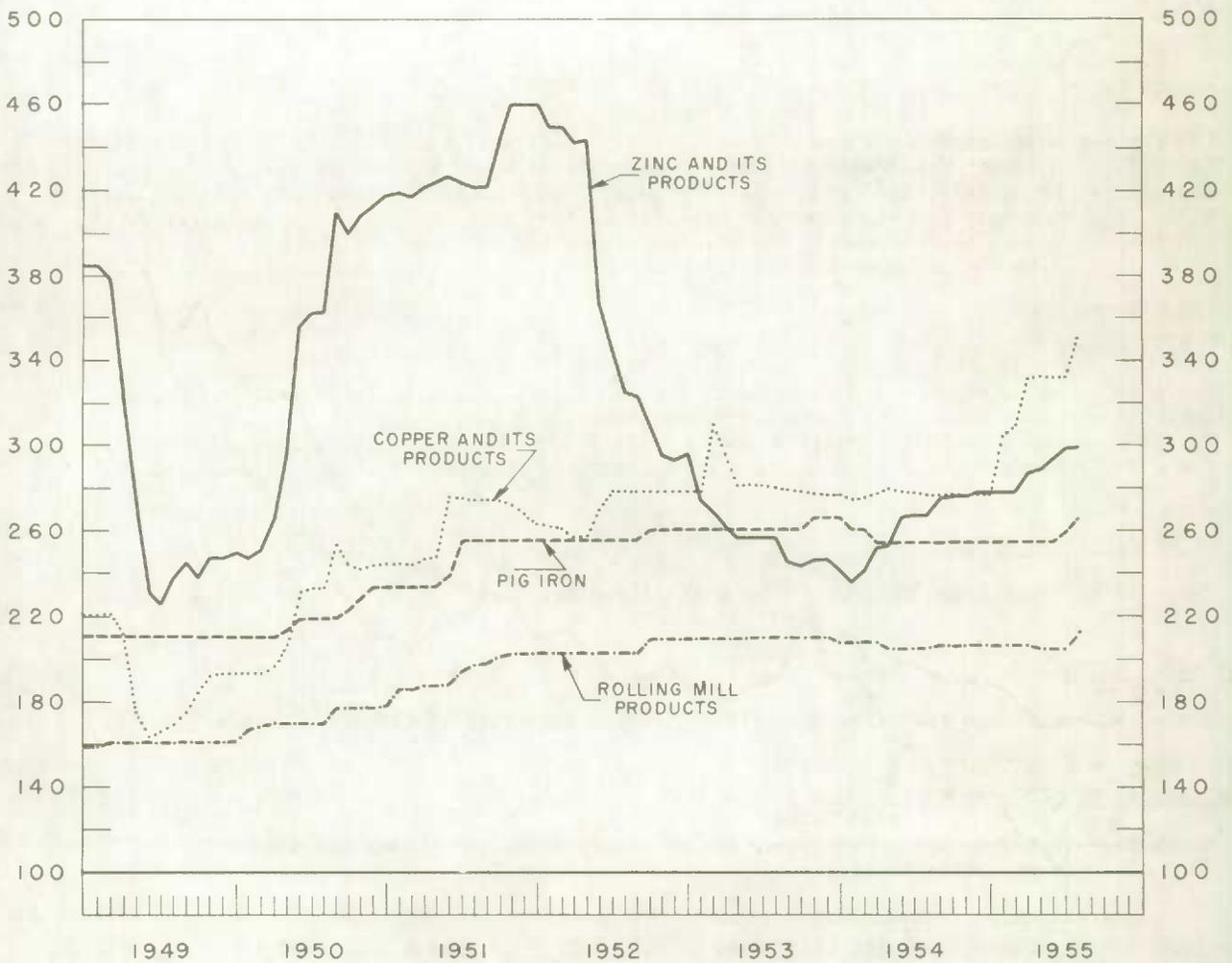
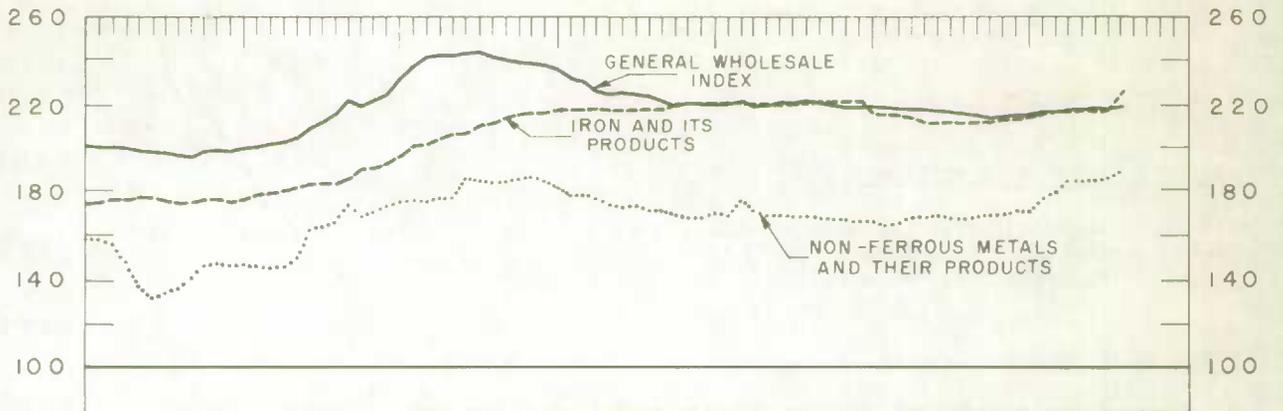
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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES SELECTED GROUPS AND SUB-GROUPS

MONTHLY, JANUARY 1949—AUGUST 1955

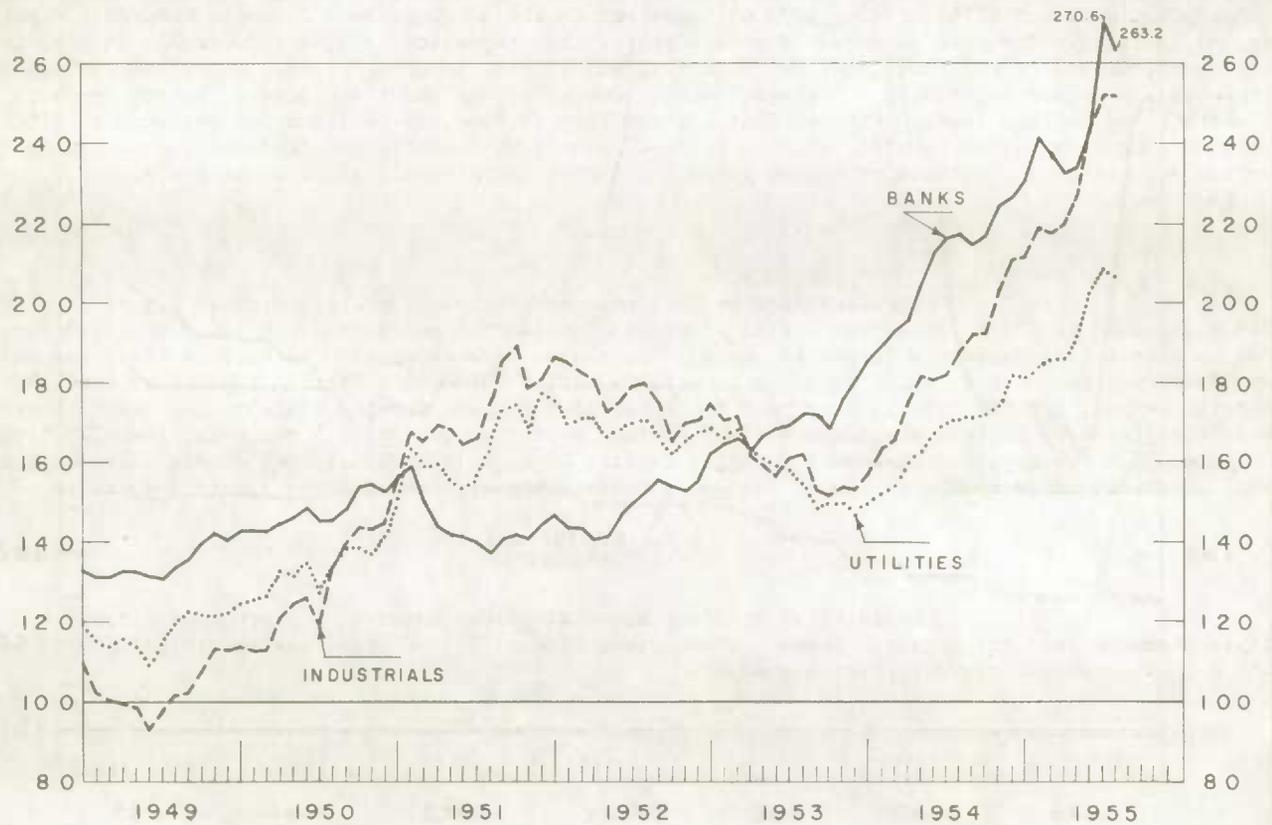
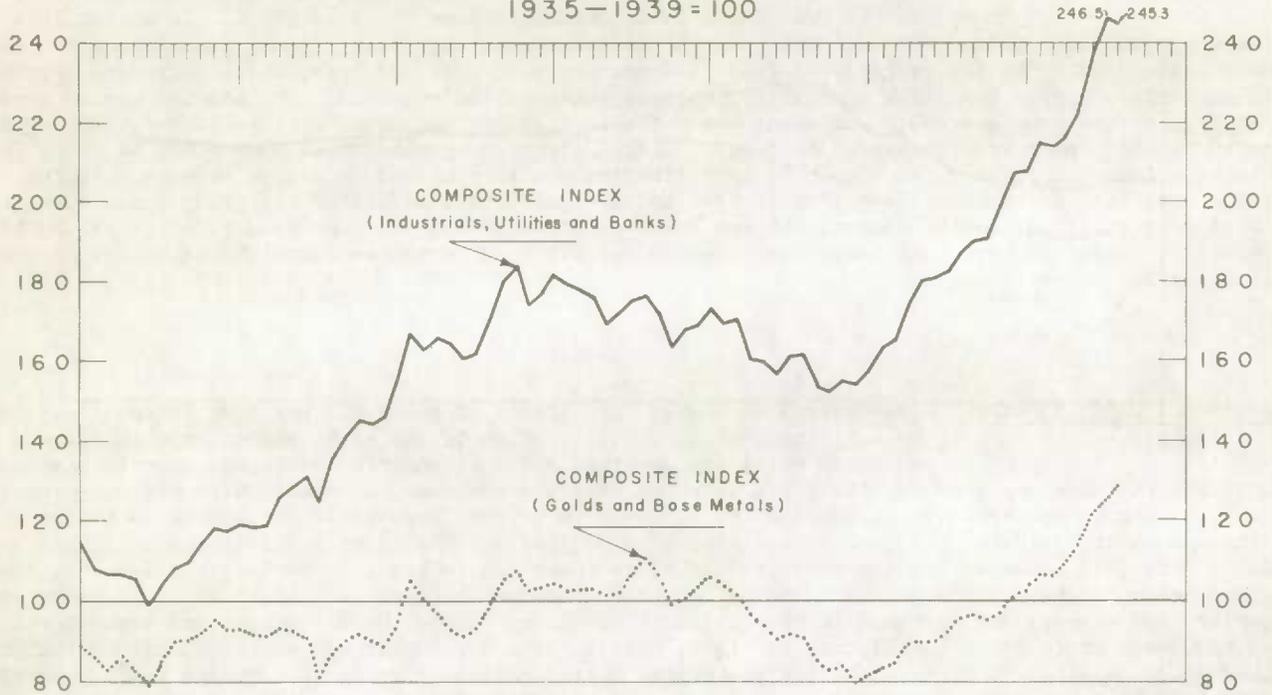
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PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS

MONTHLY, JANUARY 1949 - AUGUST 1955

1935-1939 = 100



NOTES ON PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: (1949 = 100) The Consumer Price Index advanced 0.3 per cent from 116.0 to 116.4 between July 2 and August 1, 1955. The change was mainly attributable to the Food Index which increased from 111.5 to 112.4. In August 1954 the Consumer Price Index stood at 117.0 and the food component at 114.4. Among food items, increases were registered by butter, eggs, grapefruit and most cuts of beef and lamb, while decreases occurred in margarine, apples and fresh vegetables, notably tomatoes and potatoes. The Shelter series advanced slightly as the home-ownership component moved up fractionally and rents were unchanged. Prices for most clothing items were unchanged in August; a few slight changes balanced each other to leave the Clothing Index at 107.8. The Household Operation Index also remained unchanged between July 2nd and August 1st, a fractional increase in coal being insufficient to change the group index from its July level of 115.8. Other Commodities and Services advanced 0.3 per cent from 117.7 to 118.0, as increased street car and taxi fares and higher hospital rates more than outweighed a slight decrease in the price of gasoline.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES: (1935-39 = 100) The General Wholesale Price Index advanced 0.5 per cent between July and August, from 218.4 to 219.6. Five of the eight major component groups advanced while two declined and one remained unchanged. The largest increase was shown by Iron and Its Products which rose 3.9 per cent, to 226.0, with all sub-groups contributing to the advance. A substantial increase in copper, accompanied by lesser increases in aluminum sheet, silver, gold, solder and tin moved Non-ferrous Metals up 2.1 per cent to 188.8. Animal Products advanced 0.3 per cent, to 228.6, as increases in eggs, unmanufactured leather, butter, cured meats, fishery products, lard and tallow, and hides overbalanced decreases in fresh meats and poultry and a small net decrease in the livestock sub-group. Wood, Wood Products and Paper moved up 0.3 per cent to 296.0 in response to higher prices for cedar lumber and shingles, spruce lumber and hardwoods. A slightly higher rate for the United States dollar in terms of Canadian funds, caused increases in newsprint and woodpulp. An increase in industrial gases outweighed a decrease in shellac to put Chemicals and Allied Products up 0.1 per cent to 176.5. Vegetable Products dropped 1.0 per cent to 193.9, largely due to a decrease in potato prices, but supported by lesser decreases in tea, coffee and cocoa, milled cereal foods, onions, vegetable oils, fresh imported fruits, miscellaneous vegetable products and canned vegetables. Increases were shown by rubber and its products, bakery products, and livestock and poultry feeds. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products declined 0.4 per cent to 226.0 when decreases in cotton fabrics, worsted and woollen cloth, domestic and imported raw wool, and raw cotton outweighed an increase in cotton yarns. Non-metallic Minerals stood unchanged at 173.7.

Canadian farm product prices at terminal markets receded 2.4 per cent from 209.8 for July to 204.8 for August. Field Products dropped 6.5 per cent, from 170.0 to 159.0 largely due to substantial decreases in potato prices. Decreases were shown also by Western flax, rye and hay and Eastern corn and rye, while declines in Western barley and oats reflected the change from the interim payment for the 1954-55 crop year to the initial payment for the 1955-56 crop year. Increases were registered by Eastern wheat and barley. Animal Products moved up 0.4 per cent, from 249.5 for July to 250.6 for August. Increases in eggs, Eastern hogs, calves, steers and cheese milk, and Western hogs overbalanced decreases in lambs, raw wool, Eastern poultry, and Western steers and calves.

Residential building material prices advanced 0.5 per cent, from 284.2 to 285.5, between July and August. Lumber, steel pipe, wire nails and metal weatherstripping were up while shellac showed a small price decrease.

Non-residential building material prices, on the base 1949 = 100, rose 1.6 per cent, from 122.3 to 124.2, mainly due to increases in steel and other metal items including steel pipe and wire nails. Lumber and roofing materials also showed small increases.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES:
(1935-1939 = 100)

Common stock prices averaged slightly lower in August as the Investors' Index for 99 issues moved down from a July level of 246.5 to 245.3 for the month under review. Weekly indexes indicated losses concentrated in mid-month as the composite index dropped from 246.9 for the week of August 4th to 241.2 by the 11th, but subsequently recovered to 249.1 by the 25th. All three major groups shared in the decline as the index for 78 Industrials changed from 252.8 to 252.3, 14 Utilities from 208.9 to 207.0 and 7 Banks from 270.6 to 263.2.

Sub-group monthly indexes were lower for Machinery and Equipment, Oils, Transportation, Textiles and Clothing, Telephone, Pulp and Paper and Building Materials. Higher were Industrial Mines, Food and Allied Products, Milling, Beverages and Power and Traction.

Mining stocks, moving against the trend, advanced from 125.7 to 129.1. Both Golds and Base Metals were higher, the index for the former increasing from 75.0 to 76.3 and for the latter from 241.8 to 250.0.

Preferred stocks were almost unchanged in August as indicated by a fractional increase in the composite index from 179.5 for July to 179.9 for the month under review.

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>Aug.</u> <u>1953</u>	<u>Aug.</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>July</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Aug.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Aug.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Aug.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Aug.</u> <u>1955</u>
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	222.2	215.8	218.4	219.6	- 1.2	+ 1.8	+ 0.5
Vegetable Products	201.9	197.1	195.8	193.9	- 4.0	- 1.6	- 1.0
Animal Products	247.8	229.7	227.9	228.6	- 7.7	- 0.5	+ 0.3
Textile Products	237.9	230.8	226.9	226.0	- 5.0	- 2.1	- 0.4
Wood Products	288.4	287.6	295.2	296.0	+ 2.6	+ 2.9	+ 0.3
Iron Products	220.6	211.7	217.5	226.0	+ 2.4	+ 6.8	+ 3.9
Non-ferrous Metals	168.2	167.3	185.0	188.8	+12.2	+12.9	+ 2.1
Non-metallic Minerals	178.9	175.8	173.7	173.7	- 2.9	- 1.2	-
Chemical Products	176.0	176.7	176.4	176.5	+ 0.3	- 0.1	+ 0.1
<u>FARM PRODUCTS</u>	218.7	208.4	209.8	204.8	- 6.4	- 1.7	- 2.4
Field	167.6	168.7	170.0	159.0	- 5.1	- 5.8	- 6.5
Animal	269.9	248.2	249.5	250.6	- 7.2	+ 1.0	+ 0.4

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIES

BETWEEN JULY AND AUGUST 1955

	<u>INCREASES</u>		<u>DECREASES</u>
	P.c.		P.c.
Steel scrap	14.3	Potatoes, Charlottetown	47.0
Bread, Vancouver	14.3	Cocoa beans, green, Lagos	13.7
Ham, smoked, Vancouver	14.0	Lambs, Toronto	13.7
Rubber, raw, No. 1 smoked sheets	12.3	Lamb carcass, Winnipeg	11.1
Eggs, Grade "A" large, Calgary	11.7	Flax, No. 1 C.W.	10.4
Wire nails	9.7	Corn syrup	10.2
Unmanufactured leather, calf	9.6	Laundry starch	10.1
Wire, galvanized, barbed	9.3	Beef carcass, steer, Vancouver	8.1
Wheat, No. 1 C.E.	7.5	Cotton fabrics, chambray	7.9
Steel pipe, black	7.4	Wool, raw, Australian	7.2
Wire rods	6.5	Cocoa butter	7.0
Copper, electrolytic, domestic sales	6.3	Lard, Montreal	6.7
Lard, Vancouver	6.1	Rye, No. 2 C.W.	6.6
Car axles	5.9	Flour, Ontario winter wheat	6.1
Cotton yarn, 20's	5.6	Malt	4.7

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

	INDEXES				PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	Aug.	Aug.	July	Aug.	Aug.	Aug.	
	1953	1954	1955	1955	1953	1954	1955
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	115.7	117.0	116.0	116.4	+ 0.6	- 0.5	+ 0.3
Food	112.8	114.4	111.5	112.4	- 0.4	- 1.7	+ 0.8
Shelter	124.1	127.0	129.6	129.8	+ 4.6	+ 2.2	+ 0.2
Clothing	110.4	109.6	107.8	107.8	- 2.4	- 1.6	-
Household Operation	117.2	117.2	115.8	115.8	- 1.2	- 1.2	-
Other Commodities and Services	115.8	117.7	117.7	118.0	+ 1.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.3

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN JULY AND AUGUST 1955

	Increases		Decreases
	P.c.		p.c.
Eggs	6.9	Fresh tomatoes	32.6
Turnips	6.8	Potatoes	20.4
Grapefruit	4.7	Celery	14.5
Sirloin steak	2.9	Carrots	10.0
Round steak	2.8	Apples	6.8
Street car and bus fares	2.1	Margarine	4.5
Lamb, leg roast	1.9	Cabbage	2.4
Orange juice	1.8	Lettuce	2.3
Hospital rates	1.2	Lard	2.3
Granulated sugar	1.1	Pork, shoulder roast, Boston butts	1.9

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

	INDEXES				PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	Aug.	Aug.	July	Aug.	Aug.	Aug.	
	1953	1954	1955	1955	1953	1954	1955
<u>Total Investors' Index</u>	161.2	187.0	246.5	245.3	+ 52.2	+ 31.2	- 0.5
<u>Total Industrials</u>	161.6	187.9	252.8	252.3	+ 56.1	+ 34.3	- 0.2
Machinery & Equipment	396.9	520.8	760.8	735.6	+ 85.3	+ 41.2	- 3.3
Pulp & Paper	518.9	744.3	1,069.8	1,066.9	+105.6	+ 43.3	- 0.3
Milling	136.4	145.4	197.0	198.5	+ 45.5	+ 36.5	+ 0.8
Oils	131.3	142.1	169.2	164.7	+ 25.4	+ 15.9	- 2.7
Textiles & Clothing	211.5	161.2	178.3	176.2	- 16.7	+ 9.3	- 1.2
Foods	125.7	142.6	187.5	194.8	+ 55.0	+ 36.6	+ 3.9
Beverages	411.4	497.6	589.3	592.0	+ 43.9	+ 19.0	+ 0.5
Building Materials	283.8	348.5	458.7	457.2	+ 61.1	+ 31.2	- 0.3
Industrial Mines	117.7	125.0	194.8	203.0	+ 72.5	+ 62.4	+ 4.2
<u>Total Utilities</u>	154.6	170.2	208.9	207.0	+ 33.9	+ 21.6	- 0.9
Transportation	281.8	296.6	391.7	383.2	+ 36.0	+ 29.2	- 2.2
Telephone	99.3	114.6	130.9	129.5	+ 30.4	+ 13.0	- 1.1
Power and Traction	142.9	156.7	194.3	195.2	+ 36.6	+ 24.6	+ 0.5
<u>Banks</u>	171.7	217.3	270.6	263.2	+ 53.3	+ 21.1	- 2.7
<u>Mining Stocks</u>							
General Index	90.7	95.6	125.7	129.1	+ 42.3	+ 35.0	+ 2.7
Golds	67.5	67.8	75.0	76.3	+ 13.0	+ 12.5	+ 1.7
Base Metals	144.0	159.2	241.8	250.0	+ 73.6	+ 57.0	+ 3.4

TABLE 4. - PRINCIPAL WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	General Wholesale Price Index	Raw and Partly Manu- factured	Fully and Chiefly Manu- factured	Indus- trial Mate- rials	Canadian Farm Products (1)		
					Field	Animal	Total
1913	83.4	85.1	86.2	-	-	-	-
1920	203.2	194.7	208.2	-	-	-	-
1926	130.3	129.1	133.0	144.3	158.5	130.2	144.4
1929	124.6	126.1	123.7	132.8	137.2	144.4	140.8
1933	87.4	79.3	93.3	78.3	69.3	69.2	69.3
1938	102.0	99.4	103.5	95.8	100.9	104.8	102.9
1939	99.2	94.9	101.9	99.0	83.7	101.5	92.6
1940	108.0	103.1	109.9	113.3	85.4	106.7	96.1
1941	116.4	114.4	118.8	125.2	88.9	124.4	106.6
1942	123.0	123.0	123.7	135.1	109.7	144.6	127.1
1943	127.9	131.1	126.9	140.0	129.0	161.8	145.4
1944	130.6	134.4	129.1	143.1	144.5	166.1	155.3
1945	132.1	136.2	129.8	143.2	162.5	170.2	166.4
1946	138.9	140.1	138.0	148.6	177.9	181.2	179.5
1947	163.3	164.3	162.4	187.0	184.1	200.2	192.2
1948	193.4	196.3	192.4	222.7	200.6	263.7	232.1
1949	198.3	197.1	199.2	218.0	191.9	265.4	228.7
1950	211.2	212.8	211.0	244.6	191.9	281.4	236.7
1951	240.2	237.9	242.4	296.1	200.4	336.9	268.6
1952	226.0	218.7	230.7	252.6	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	164.6	256.2	210.4
1953 July	221.0	207.2	229.3	231.7	187.7	265.3	226.5
Aug.	222.2	210.1	229.7	231.4	167.6	269.9	218.7
Sept.	221.2	207.1	229.8	228.8	164.3	263.7	214.0
Oct.	220.4	205.0	228.8	227.0	162.1	265.3	213.7
Nov.	218.7	203.3	228.0	225.8	162.1	258.0	210.0
Dec.	219.0	204.4	227.6	225.8	162.2	261.6	211.9
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	168.7	248.2	208.4
Sept.	215.3	202.9	222.6	222.7	163.8	245.5	204.6
Oct.	214.3	201.4	221.8	223.6	162.9	240.5	201.7
Nov.	214.9	202.3	222.3	224.4	165.2	243.1	204.2
Dec.	215.4	203.5	222.4	224.4	164.6	245.9	205.3
1955 Jan.	215.7	205.0	222.1	225.9	165.6	248.4	207.0
Feb.	217.4	207.6	223.2	229.0	167.6	245.8	206.7
Mar.	217.4	206.2	224.1	229.9	166.1	241.3	203.7
Apr.	218.5	210.4	223.5	233.1	186.8	238.7	212.7
May	217.8	209.5	223.1	233.2	183.2	243.4	213.3
June	218.7	210.3	224.1	236.2	174.3	250.0	212.2
July	218.4	210.1	223.7	237.1	170.0	249.5	209.8
Aug.	219.6	210.7	225.3	240.6	159.0	250.6	204.8

(1) See Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21 for final revised Canadian Farm Products Indexes, August 1945 - July 1952; February 1954, Table 8, for indexes August 1952 - July 1953; and May 1955, Table 8, 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

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(1935-39 = 100)

- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -									
Date	General Whole- Sale Index	Total Vege- table Pro- ducts	Grains	Milled Cereal Foods	Live- stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned
1954 Average ...	217.0	196.8	187.2	159.0	203.0	188.0	173.9	172.5	156.1
1954 Apr.	218.0	196.0	190.2	147.0	238.3	188.0	170.1	173.8	156.1
May	217.9	196.5	190.2	146.8	219.5	188.0	171.9	173.6	158.2
June	217.6	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	181.6	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

- 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 Apr.	274.8	171.4	151.1	477.2	113.0	120.9	166.0	178.6
May	271.8	171.8	150.7	491.0	118.5	136.8	166.0	181.0
June	268.8	172.5	150.5	497.4	132.4	138.5	166.1	181.0
July	270.7	174.2	148.7	506.6	295.3	144.8	163.2	181.0
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

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

(1935-39 = 100)

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -								
Date	Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanu- factured	Boots and Shoes	Live- stock	Steers
1954 Average ...	236.0	262.4	88.7	115.5	208.3	204.4	283.3	315.1
1954 Apr.	241.5	274.4	86.2	119.4	206.9	204.8	292.5	297.9
May	243.9	249.9	91.3	124.5	209.0	204.3	305.0	316.9
June	245.0	249.7	91.3	120.4	209.0	203.6	303.6	317.5
July	240.0	252.9	90.5	122.3	209.0	203.6	293.0	333.5
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

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Meats, Fresh	Beef and Veal Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Pro- ducts	Butter	Oils and Fats	Eggs
1954 Average ...	283.9	300.2	241.1	163.3	226.2	228.7	160.6	157.3
1954 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	147.6	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
Feb.	270.7	306.3	185.6	159.6	230.3	238.0	141.7	139.2
Mar.	273.8	312.7	184.5	183.7	229.3	237.6	141.0	149.6
Apr.	274.3	315.3	186.4	192.8	225.0	230.1	142.8	150.5
May	282.8	326.4	182.4	195.8	221.6	223.0	140.0	149.1
June	290.3	325.4	205.6	201.8	221.1	221.9	129.0	169.6
July	283.7	319.7	188.2	210.8	221.6	223.0	124.8	187.6
Aug.	278.3	311.0	190.7	201.8	222.7	225.3	126.5	200.7

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	Miscel- laneous 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 Apr.	233.3	289.0	224.7	231.7	224.5	239.7	169.5	160.3
May	231.6	290.9	224.7	230.1	224.5	210.6	169.5	158.3
June	231.6	290.5	224.7	228.0	224.5	210.6	169.5	158.3
July	231.0	291.1	224.7	227.5	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
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

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Rayon Yarns	Raw Wool, Do- mestic	Raw Wool, Im- ported	Yarns, Worsted	Hosiery and Knit Goods, Chiefly Wool	Wool Blan- kets	Worsted and Wool Cloth	Carpets
1954 Average ...	175.4	261.1	242.8	213.3	235.1	252.5	259.7	225.3
1954 Apr.	176.9	257.9	247.1	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.2	225.3
May	176.9	278.5	258.7	216.3	235.6	252.5	262.1	225.3
June	176.9	278.5	266.9	219.5	235.6	252.5	263.2	225.3
July	176.9	278.5	255.1	219.5	235.6	252.5	261.7	225.3
Aug.	176.9	278.5	255.1	219.9	235.6	252.5	259.7	225.3
Sept.	176.9	267.0	249.4	213.4	235.6	252.5	257.6	225.3
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

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	Hardwoods	Hemlock	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 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
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
- 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 Apr.	214.2	254.7	207.3	237.1	218.4	243.8	200.9	219.0		
May	211.8	254.7	204.6	228.7	218.4	233.2	200.9	219.0		
June	211.9	254.7	204.6	228.7	218.4	233.2	200.9	219.7		
July	211.9	254.7	204.6	228.7	218.3	233.2	200.9	219.7		
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		

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 Pro- ducts	Lead and Its Pro- ducts	Silver	Tin	Zinc and Its Pro- ducts	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 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	217.0
June	168.3	225.0	191.1	278.7	278.7	216.0	178.5	266.1	200.6	217.4
July	167.8	224.6	175.6	277.9	276.6	214.5	181.5	267.0	200.6	217.2
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

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -

Date	Total Non- Metallic Products	Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Manu- factured Gas	Window Glass
	1954 Average ...	177.0	230.4	150.2	172.9	213.7	227.3	138.9
1954 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.	175.8	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

(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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- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued							
Date	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 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	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

- 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 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
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

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
1954 Average	176.4	141.1	179.3	191.6	182.2	288.8
1954 Apr.	176.0	140.1	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
May	176.3	141.2	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
June	176.6	141.2	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
July	176.6	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.	177.0	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

- 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 Apr.	137.4	189.1	165.8	125.4	206.6
May	137.4	189.1	165.8	127.9	206.6
June	137.4	189.1	165.8	127.6	206.6
July	137.4	189.1	165.8	125.7	206.6
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

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

(1935-39 = 100)

- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -											
Date	Total Index * (1949=100)	Total Index	Cement, Sand and Gravel	Brick, Tile and Stone	Lumber and Its Products	Lath, Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Material	Paint and Glass	Plumbing and Heating Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Fixtures	Other Materials
1926	48.1	109.6	105.5	103.2	110.9	101.4	104.3	156.8	110.2	91.6	112.0
1929	49.3	112.4	107.6	107.4	116.7	94.4	108.8	151.5	108.5	130.1	106.1
1932	38.4	87.5	103.7	101.8	72.7	85.0	95.5	111.7	108.1	79.1	89.5
1939	44.9	102.3	94.0	97.2	104.9	99.4	104.1	97.2	103.0	102.4	104.6
1940	48.4	110.3	94.6	98.0	119.1	99.7	110.4	115.2	106.5	107.1	109.2
1941	53.8	122.6	99.1	105.1	139.2	102.8	118.7	136.2	114.6	109.0	112.5
1942	57.4	130.9	100.8	109.0	153.2	104.8	123.4	146.9	120.0	110.3	117.6
1943	61.0	139.1	101.2	113.1	171.3	104.8	130.1	149.4	120.0	110.3	117.9
1944	64.3	146.6	101.8	114.9	188.4	104.8	136.0	146.6	120.0	110.3	117.9
1945	65.0	148.3	102.1	116.4	191.3	104.8	135.5	142.2	122.2	111.4	118.0
1946	67.8	154.5	102.0	121.0	202.1	104.2	146.2	144.2	127.2	116.9	126.4
1947	79.1	180.4	109.7	133.4	242.0	107.3	172.3	169.6	145.2	147.4	143.0
1948	95.4	217.5	122.3	143.1	305.8	116.7	201.6	183.1	168.3	169.8	162.3
1949	100.0	228.0	127.0	151.0	322.1	118.1	190.5	179.6	180.2	173.4	174.7
1950	106.4	242.7	131.3	163.8	349.2	116.7	235.4	174.8	183.2	184.5	181.1
1951	125.5	286.2	140.9	180.7	425.0	126.3	235.8	197.8	210.4	213.3	212.7
1952	124.9	284.8	149.5	195.3	415.7	128.5	217.7	194.9	215.6	212.0	226.3
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
<u>1954</u>											
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
<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
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

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

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

(1949 = 100)

- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -							
Date	Total Index	Aggregate, Cement and Concrete Mix	Blocks, Brick and Stone	Tile	Lumber and Lumber Products	Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Materials
1950	105.0	103.2	104.3	104.9	110.3	103.0	105.8
1951	118.6	111.3	113.0	110.6	128.3	115.7	125.4
1952	123.2	117.4	119.7	115.5	127.9	121.3	121.7
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 Jan. ...	123.3	121.8	126.5	117.1	124.4	116.1	120.7
Feb. ...	122.8	121.8	126.5	120.7	123.8	115.8	118.0
Mar. ...	122.7	121.8	126.6	120.7	123.7	115.8	117.6
Apr. ...	122.3	120.7	126.6	120.6	123.6	115.2	117.6
May	121.1	120.6	126.6	121.1	123.6	114.9	117.6
June ...	121.2	120.6	126.6	121.1	124.2	115.0	117.7
July ...	121.2	120.6	127.3	121.1	125.2	114.2	117.7
Aug. ...	121.1	120.6	127.3	121.1	125.2	114.2	116.8
Sept. ..	121.3	120.6	127.5	121.1	124.8	115.0	116.8
Oct. ...	121.3	120.6	127.5	121.1	124.8	115.0	116.8
Nov. ...	121.5	120.8	127.5	121.1	124.9	115.7	116.8
Dec. ...	121.4	120.1	127.5	121.0	125.3	115.7	116.8
1955 Jan. ...	121.1	121.1	127.5	121.0	125.4	115.1	116.3
Feb. ...	121.3	121.1	127.5	121.0	125.5	115.4	117.5
Mar. ...	121.7	120.2	127.5	121.0	125.3	116.5	119.0
Apr. ...	122.0	120.2	127.5	120.1	125.5	117.0	120.2
May	121.8	120.1	126.7	120.0	125.7	117.0	119.6
June ...	122.1	120.1	126.7	120.0	127.8	116.5	119.8
July ...	122.3	120.1	126.7	120.0	128.6	116.6	120.6
Aug. ...	124.2	120.1	126.7	120.0	129.0	118.5	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 Jan. ...	133.1	125.7	109.6	132.8	128.1	104.4	
Feb. ...	132.3	125.7	109.2	132.6	128.1	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	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	

TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly	August	July	August
		Average 1954	1954	1955	1955
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, Domestic ..	bu.	1,760	1,699	1,760	1,760
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, I.W.A.	bu.	1,760	1,699	1,760	1,760
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.803	.784	.812	.804
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.012	1.098	1.045	1.034
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.065	1.100	.929	.868
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bb1.	11.575	11.400	11.600	11.600
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal .	cwt.	7.110	7.078	7.078	7.078
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.144	1.050	1.570	1.570
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.900	.978	.640	.640
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75-lb. bag	1.608	2.688	2.938	1.825
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.528	20.500	19.460	19.500
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	31.015	27.300	26.680	27.120
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.139	.132	.132	.138
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.720	.720	.620	.620
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b. Ontario factory	sq.ft.	.367	.370	.330	.330
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal ...	lb.	.599	.572	.577	.589
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.521	.557	.650	.720
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.342	.342	.341	.340
COTTON YARN, 10's white	lb.	.645	.645	.670	.690
RAYON YARN, 36 filament, 150 denier ...	lb.	.803	.810	.780	.780
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ..	lb.	.513	.550	.520	.500
WOOL, Raw, Australian, 64's	lb.	1.691	1.750	1.380	1.280
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Mill, in Canadian funds (Southern Quebec)	ton	108.684	108.341	109.910	110.050
PINE, No. 1 and 2 common, 1"x8", 8/16'.	M.bd.ft.	165.000	165.000	165.000	165.000
SPRUCE, Merchantable, 1"x6/7"	M.bd.ft.	81.917	82.750	86.500	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	43.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales ..	cwt.	29.198	29.104	35.375	37.602
LEAD, Pig, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	13.353	13.307	14.250	14.250
TIN INGOTS, 99.8%	lb.	.929	.935	.958	.961
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	12.053	12.350	13.850	13.850
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.124	18.640	17.640	17.640
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.226	.221	.221	.221
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Winnipeg	gal.	.225	.224	.219	.219
CEMENT, Portland, Toronto	bb1.	3.462	3.470	3.370	3.370
CEMENT, Portland, Calgary	bb1.	3.232	3.240	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	2.410	2.410
SULPHURIC ACID, 66° Baume	ton	26.350	26.350	26.350	26.350

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

TABLE 9. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

(1949 = 100)

	Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House- hold Opera- tion	Other Commod- ities & Services
1939	63.2	50.2	84.6	54.9	66.5	77.2
1940	65.7	52.6	86.6	59.9	70.3	77.9
1941	69.6	57.9	89.2	63.6	73.8	80.0
1942	72.9	63.4	90.7	65.8	76.0	82.0
1943	74.2	65.2	90.9	66.1	76.1	84.8
1944	74.6	65.5	91.2	66.6	75.7	86.1
1945	75.0	66.3	91.4	66.9	74.9	86.4
1946	77.5	70.0	91.8	69.2	77.2	88.7
1947	84.8	79.5	95.1	78.9	86.2	91.6
1948	97.0	97.5	98.3	95.6	96.8	96.5
1949	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950	102.9	102.6	106.2	99.7	102.4	103.1
1951	113.7	117.0	114.4	109.8	113.1	111.5
1952	116.5	116.8	120.2	111.8	116.2	116.0
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> September 2	116.1	115.9	121.2	110.9	116.0	115.8
October 1	116.0	115.1	121.5	109.9	116.2	116.4
November 1	116.1	115.7	121.4	109.8	115.9	116.6
December 1	115.8	114.1	122.2	109.7	116.1	116.6
<u>1953</u> January 2	115.7	113.5	122.3	109.7	116.5	116.7
February 2	115.5	112.7	122.5	109.6	116.6	116.7
March 2	114.8	111.6	122.5	109.7	116.7	115.2
April 1	114.6	110.9	122.7	109.7	116.9	115.0
May 1	114.4	110.1	122.9	110.1	116.6	115.1
June 1	114.9	111.4	123.6	110.1	116.6	115.1
July 2	115.4	112.7	123.9	110.3	117.0	115.2
August 1	115.7	112.8	124.1	110.4	117.2	115.8
September 1	116.2	114.0	124.2	110.4	117.4	115.9
October 1	116.7	115.5	124.5	110.3	117.5	116.0
November 2	116.2	113.4	125.0	110.3	117.4	116.3
December 1	115.8	112.1	125.2	110.2	117.4	116.3
<u>1954</u> January 2	115.7	111.6	125.4	110.1	117.5	116.4
February 1	115.7	111.7	125.4	110.0	117.5	116.5
March 1	115.5	110.7	125.6	109.8	117.6	116.6
April 1	115.6	110.4	125.6	109.9	118.1	117.2
May 1	115.5	110.2	125.8	109.9	117.3	117.5
June 1	116.1	112.0	126.4	109.7	117.1	117.5
July 2	116.2	112.1	126.6	109.6	117.2	117.6
August 2	117.0	114.4	127.0	109.6	117.2	117.7
September 1	116.8	113.8	127.2	109.5	117.2	117.6
October 1	116.8	113.8	127.4	108.4	117.3	117.9
November 1	116.8	113.4	127.9	108.2	117.2	118.2
December 1	116.6	112.6	128.2	108.1	117.1	118.2
<u>1955</u> January 3	116.4	112.1	128.4	108.1	117.1	118.2
February 1	116.3	111.5	128.5	108.1	117.1	118.3
March 1	116.0	110.7	128.6	108.0	117.0	118.3
April 1	116.1	111.0	128.7	107.9	116.9	118.2
May 2	116.4	112.3	128.8	107.9	116.4	118.3
June 1	115.9	111.0	129.2	107.8	116.1	117.8
July 2	116.0	111.5	129.6	107.8	115.8	117.7
August 1	116.4	112.4	129.8	107.8	115.8	118.0

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

(1949 = 100)

	1952	1953	1954	August 1953	August 1954	June 1955	July 1955	August 1955
<u>Total Index</u>	116.5	115.5	116.2	115.7	117.0	115.9	116.0	116.4
<u>Food</u>	116.8	112.6	112.2	112.8	114.4	111.0	111.5	112.4
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	113.3	112.4	111.8	111.2	110.9	111.0	110.9	111.1
Cereal Products	117.4	119.3	122.4	120.6	122.5	121.7	121.7	121.7
Meats, Fish and Poultry	115.5	108.2	105.8	106.5	104.5	97.3	98.9	99.6
<u>Shelter</u>	120.2	123.6	126.5	124.1	127.0	129.2	129.6	129.8
Rent	120.9	125.4	129.8	126.2	130.6	133.3	133.7	133.7
Home-Ownership	119.3	121.2	122.2	121.4	122.3	123.8	124.1	124.6
<u>Clothing</u>	111.8	110.1	109.4	110.4	109.6	107.8	107.8	107.8
Men's Wear	115.2	113.5	113.8	113.6	113.8	112.9	112.8	112.8
Women's Wear	104.8	102.5	100.9	103.0	101.2	98.2	98.2	98.3
Children's Wear	111.5	108.6	107.5	108.6	107.4	106.2	106.2	106.2
Footwear	127.2	127.7	127.6	127.7	127.6	127.0	127.0	127.0
Piece Goods	107.4	106.2	108.7	107.7	109.0	108.2	108.2	108.2
<u>Household Operation</u>	116.2	117.0	117.4	117.2	117.2	116.1	115.8	115.8
Fuel	114.4	116.0	114.9	116.2	113.9	110.5	110.7	110.8
Electricity	110.8	114.6	115.9	115.5	116.0	116.2	115.9	115.9
Home Furnishings	117.6	116.7	115.6	116.8	115.2	114.0	113.0	113.0
Furniture	115.6	117.2	117.6	117.6	117.5	115.5	115.3	115.3
Utensils and Equipment	118.9	121.2	122.1	122.0	122.4	122.9	122.9	122.9
Supplies and Services	116.8	118.7	121.8	118.9	122.4	122.7	123.0	123.0
Supplies	112.4	113.5	115.8	113.4	116.0	116.1	116.4	116.4
Services	119.7	122.2	126.0	122.7	126.8	127.3	127.6	127.6
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	116.0	115.8	117.4	115.8	117.7	117.8	117.7	118.0
Transportation	117.4	119.2	120.0	119.6	120.0	117.1	117.1	117.7
Automobile Operation	114.9	114.5	114.7	115.3	114.5	109.3	109.3	109.2
Recreation	115.7	116.7	119.5	116.1	119.6	123.2	123.0	123.0
Health Care	118.8	122.0	127.4	123.0	128.5	130.3	130.3	130.6
Drugs	107.9	108.7	109.5	108.9	109.5	110.9	111.0	111.0
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	113.3	108.0	107.3	107.2	107.3	107.5	107.5	107.5
Personal Care	115.5	115.9	117.9	115.9	118.2	117.5	117.6	117.6
Personal Supplies	112.7	111.5	113.6	111.4	114.0	112.3	111.9	111.9

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

(1949 = 100)

		Beef, Blade Roast	Beef, Sir- loin	Pork, R1b Chops	Bacon	Salmon, Canned	Chicken	Butter	Mar- garine
<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	95.8	99.0	117.5
<u>1954</u>	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
<u>1955</u>	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
	Mar. 1	101.7	109.8	100.9	91.6	104.2	87.2	102.6	111.5
	Apr. 1	101.1	110.1	99.2	90.1	104.2	92.8	102.5	104.6
	May 2	101.5	110.5	98.5	89.2	104.6	94.5	98.9	101.9
	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
		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>1954</u>	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
<u>1955</u>	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
	Mar. 1	91.1	84.7	102.1	101.4	119.5	130.6	116.3	159.9
	Apr. 1	90.5	88.4	102.6	105.9	119.5	137.2	110.8	158.5
	May 2	92.0	88.1	102.6	109.6	119.5	211.9	104.8	161.2
	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
		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>1954</u>	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
<u>1955</u>	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
	Mar. 1	118.5	113.0	126.8	106.2	100.8	110.8	131.9	173.8
	Apr. 1	118.5	113.0	125.8	107.6	100.8	110.8	134.1	171.5
	May 2	118.5	112.7	125.8	106.2	100.8	111.3	134.7	171.0
	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

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								
1941		71.3	69.8	68.6	68.7	69.9	69.8	68.5	69.0	66.9
1942		74.2	73.3	71.9	72.0	73.6	72.9	71.5	72.0	70.2
1943		76.0	74.7	73.4	73.1	74.4	74.0	72.6	73.9	72.4
1944		76.9	75.4	73.6	73.3	74.9	74.5	73.5	74.6	72.8
1945		77.6	75.8	74.4	73.8	75.3	75.2	74.0	75.3	73.6
1946		79.6	77.9	76.9	76.5	77.9	77.5	76.6	77.8	75.9
1947		86.3	84.6	84.3	84.5	85.5	84.3	84.4	84.6	83.3
1948		96.8	97.0	96.6	96.5	97.0	95.8	96.9	96.1	96.0
1949		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950		102.1	103.3	103.7	103.1	104.1	103.8	102.2	103.9	103.6
1951		112.1	114.1	116.1	115.3	115.4	114.6	111.7	113.5	114.3
1952	103.5	115.3	117.4	117.6	116.8	117.5	116.1	112.8	114.8	117.4
1953	102.2	113.2	115.3	116.3	115.0	116.8	114.4	113.1	114.0	116.1
1954	102.8	114.1	116.6	116.8	116.2	118.3	115.3	114.2	114.9	117.4
<u>1952</u> June 2	102.7	116.5	117.8	117.4	116.2	117.9	116.3	111.3	113.8	117.7
July 2	103.9	116.8	118.3	118.0	116.5	117.9	116.5	112.6	114.4	117.2
August 1	105.3	116.4	118.2	117.0	116.2	117.8	115.9	113.2	114.8	117.0
September 2	103.6	114.9	116.8	117.0	115.8	117.2	115.3	112.4	113.9	116.7
October 1	103.0	113.1	115.3	115.8	114.5	116.2	114.3	111.7	113.5	115.6
November 1	102.5	113.6	115.2	115.7	114.7	116.0	114.1	112.1	113.3	115.8
December 1	102.3	112.8	114.5	115.2	113.9	115.6	113.5	111.3	112.9	116.1
<u>1953</u> January 2	102.4	112.8	114.7	115.7	114.4	115.9	113.7	111.9	112.6	116.2
February 2	102.3	113.1	114.8	116.2	114.8	116.0	114.1	112.1	112.6	115.7
March 2	101.3	112.9	114.5	115.8	114.3	115.9	113.7	112.2	113.0	115.5
April 1	101.5	112.7	114.6	114.8	114.3	115.7	113.9	112.3	113.1	115.6
May 1	101.1	112.2	114.4	114.9	113.7	115.7	113.6	112.1	113.2	115.7
June 1	101.2	112.7	114.9	116.0	114.7	116.5	114.1	112.9	114.0	115.8
July 2	101.9	113.7	115.8	117.3	115.2	117.2	115.2	113.9	114.7	116.5
August 1	102.9	114.2	116.7	117.0	115.4	117.5	115.0	114.2	115.3	116.0
September 1	102.8	113.8	116.1	116.5	115.5	117.6	114.7	113.8	115.1	116.2
October 1	102.8	114.0	116.1	117.4	116.4	118.4	115.0	114.3	115.3	116.7
November 2	103.1	113.6	115.9	117.0	116.0	117.8	115.2	113.7	114.9	116.5
December 1	102.7	113.2	115.5	116.7	115.5	117.6	114.7	113.3	114.5	116.3
<u>1954</u> January 2	102.6	113.2	115.4	116.7	115.3	117.7	114.9	113.2	114.4	116.2
February 1	102.4	113.8	115.8	116.8	115.5	117.6	115.0	113.5	114.3	116.4
March 1	102.2	113.7	116.2	116.3	115.3	117.4	114.7	113.7	114.4	116.3
April 1	102.0	113.8	115.9	116.3	115.5	117.7	114.9	113.6	114.3	116.9
May 1	102.2	113.6	115.8	116.3	115.5	117.7	114.8	113.5	114.4	116.9
June 1	102.5	113.9	116.2	117.0	116.1	118.2	115.3	114.1	114.8	117.1
July 2	102.6	113.8	116.2	117.2	116.4	118.8	115.5	114.1	114.8	117.0
August 2	104.4	115.3	117.6	117.2	117.0	119.0	116.4	115.3	115.4	118.1
September 1	103.4	114.8	117.7	116.6	116.9	118.8	115.7	115.1	115.7	118.1
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

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
Food Index												
1953	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
1954	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
1955	January	3	101.1	107.0	112.9	115.1	111.2	110.6	110.8	110.1	110.0	111.8
	February	1	101.4	106.8	112.6	115.4	111.0	109.6	110.5	109.7	109.4	111.6
	March	1	101.5	106.6	112.3	114.2	110.2	108.8	109.7	109.2	108.5	110.0
	April	1	102.1	106.5	112.2	114.0	110.7	109.6	110.1	109.6	108.4	109.4
	May	2	106.1	108.8	113.7	114.8	111.2	111.1	110.9	109.5	108.5	109.5
	June	1	103.9	106.2	111.0	112.7	110.2	109.9	109.9	109.6	108.0	108.6
	July	2	103.5	106.3	110.7	114.5	110.7	111.2	110.9	110.1	109.0	109.3
	August	1	105.2	107.6	112.7	114.7	111.4	110.5	111.6	112.7	110.7	110.1
Shelter Index												
1954	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
1955	January	3	108.0	123.3	124.1	134.4	131.9	145.2	125.7	115.4	121.0	126.1
	February	1	108.0	123.3	124.8	134.4	132.2	145.6	125.7	115.6	121.0	126.1
	March	1	108.0	123.3	125.0	134.5	132.2	145.6	126.0	115.7	121.1	126.1
	April	1	108.0	123.5	125.1	134.6	132.3	145.8	126.0	116.0	121.1	126.1
	May	2	108.6	123.6	125.1	134.8	132.7	145.9	126.0	117.4	121.1	126.6
	June	1	108.6	123.7	125.1	135.8	133.3	146.4	126.0	117.8	121.1	127.3
	July	2	108.6	124.3	125.6	136.0	133.4	146.9	126.0	118.1	121.1	127.4
	August	1	108.6	124.5	125.6	136.0	133.9	147.0	126.0	118.1	121.1	127.4

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

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

(1949=100)

		St. John's Nfld. 1	Halifax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver	
<u>Clothing Index</u>												
1954	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
1955	January	3	101.8	114.4	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.4	112.7	114.9	112.6	112.6
	February	1	101.6	114.6	116.5	107.2	111.3	110.3	112.7	114.9	112.6	112.6
	March	1	101.3	114.7	116.2	107.1	111.2	110.2	112.7	114.9	112.6	112.5
	April	1	101.2	114.6	116.2	107.2	111.1	109.9	112.6	114.9	112.6	112.5
	May	2	101.1	114.6	116.2	107.1	111.1	109.9	112.6	114.9	112.5	112.2
	June	1	100.7	114.6	116.1	107.1	111.1	109.9	112.6	114.6	112.5	112.2
	July	2	100.7	114.6	116.1	107.1	111.1	109.7	112.5	114.6	112.5	112.2
	August	1	100.7	114.5	116.1	107.1	111.0	109.9	112.4	114.6	112.5	112.2
<u>Household Operation Index</u>												
1954	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
1955	January	3	100.8	119.0	116.4	115.8	116.7	116.2	113.5	117.9	115.7	125.4
	February	1	100.8	118.9	116.4	115.8	116.7	116.2	113.5	117.9	115.7	125.4
	March	1	100.5	118.9	116.3	116.0	116.6	115.4	113.5	117.9	115.7	125.6
	April	1	100.5	118.9	116.3	115.9	116.5	115.0	113.5	117.9	115.8	125.8
	May	2	100.5	118.9	116.4	115.2	117.2	114.7	113.5	117.8	115.7	125.8
	June	1	101.4	118.9	116.5	114.8	116.8	114.3	113.4	117.8	115.8	124.9
	July	2	103.0	118.9	116.5	114.4	116.3	114.3	114.1	116.9	115.7	122.5
	August	1	102.7	118.9	116.5	114.5	116.3	114.4	114.1	116.9	115.7	122.5
<u>Other Commodities and Services Index</u>												
1954	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
1955	January	3	103.6	116.9	123.0	116.9	119.6	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.4	122.4
	February	1	103.6	118.5	123.8	116.9	119.8	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.5	122.4
	March	1	104.9	118.5	124.0	116.8	119.7	119.3	117.9	113.1	118.2	122.6
	April	1	106.3	118.8	124.0	116.9	119.8	119.4	118.0	113.2	118.3	120.6
	May	2	106.5	119.3	124.1	117.3	120.1	119.4	118.1	114.8	118.1	120.4
	June	1	106.5	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.6	118.6	117.5	114.2	117.4	119.8
	July	2	106.6	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.5	118.4	117.4	114.2	117.3	119.6
	August	1	110.0	119.1	124.0	116.8	119.6	118.6	119.0	114.2	117.3	119.6

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 - 1955

Year and Month	Actual (2) Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	Index Numbers of		The Consumer Price Index
			Actual Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	
	\$	\$	(1949 = 100)		(1949 = 100)
1945 - Average	30.74	40.99	73.7	98.3	75.0
1946 - Average	29.87	38.54	71.6	92.4	77.5
1947 - Average	34.13	40.25	81.8	96.5	84.8
1948 - Average	38.53	39.72	92.4	95.2	97.0
1949 - Average	41.71	41.71	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950 - Average	43.82	42.59	105.1	102.1	102.9
1951 - Average	48.82	42.94	117.0	102.9	113.7
1952 - Average	53.62	46.03	128.6	110.4	116.5
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> - 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
<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	59.35(P)	51.16(P)	142.3(P)	122.7(P)	116.0

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

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

(P) Preliminary.

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES

(1935-39=100)

INVESTORS' INDEX										
Number of Stocks	Inves- tors' Total (99)	Total Indus- trial (78)	Machin- ery and Equip- ment (11)	Pulp and Paper (9)	Mill- ing (2)	Oils (5)	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing (10)	Food and Allied Pro- ducts (14)	Bever- ages (10)	Build- ing Mate- rials (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
<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
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
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Aug. 4	246.9	253.1	740.4	1072.5	202.8	167.6	177.2	194.3	588.8	461.3
Aug. 11	241.2	247.8	730.9	1028.7	196.1	164.8	177.3	193.2	578.1	450.2
Aug. 18	243.9	251.1	725.1	1071.5	197.6	163.4	177.4	196.9	593.9	455.2
Aug. 25	249.1	257.3	746.1	1094.9	197.5	162.9	173.1	194.9	607.1	462.0

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 (7)	Mining Total (27)	Golda (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
<u>1953</u> June	116.5	157.5	296.0	101.4	140.9	168.4	90.2	66.8	143.7
July	121.2	157.9	296.4	101.4	141.9	169.1	91.4	66.3	148.9
Aug.	117.7	154.6	281.8	99.3	142.9	171.7	90.7	67.5	144.0
Sept.	109.2	148.1	261.5	95.0	141.5	171.6	85.0	62.5	136.3
Oct.	109.1	149.0	263.2	95.3	142.9	168.5	82.7	60.1	134.3
Nov.	108.4	149.4	255.7	100.4	140.1	175.4	83.7	60.1	137.6
Dec.	103.4	146.4	254.2	101.2	131.4	180.2	79.9	57.3	131.5
<u>1954</u> Jan.	102.7	149.1	265.4	102.5	131.5	185.5	81.9	60.3	131.2
Feb.	103.4	151.9	272.8	103.6	134.0	189.6	83.4	62.1	132.0
Mar.	106.9	153.3	267.0	105.9	137.2	192.5	84.3	61.5	136.5
Apr.	116.0	159.5	280.6	107.8	145.0	195.4	89.3	64.8	145.5
May	118.9	162.4	274.6	110.1	152.6	204.0	89.4	64.4	146.5
June	123.8	167.2	301.6	110.5	151.8	212.2	90.0	63.9	149.7
July	122.3	169.4	297.5	112.9	156.4	216.4	92.0	64.9	154.0
Aug.	125.0	170.2	296.6	114.6	156.7	217.3	95.6	67.8	159.2
Sept.	133.3	170.4	295.0	114.0	159.0	215.0	96.4	68.3	160.8
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
<u>1955</u> 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
<u>Weekly Index</u>									
Aug. 4 ..	200.2	210.3	386.1	131.9	199.3	269.0	128.9	77.4	246.9
Aug. 11 ..	194.7	204.6	381.9	126.8	193.7	260.0	127.2	76.3	243.6
Aug. 18 ..	201.9	205.3	380.9	128.8	192.6	261.2	128.5	75.5	249.8
Aug. 25 ..	215.4	207.6	384.1	130.4	195.0	262.6	131.8	75.9	259.7

(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	
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	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	
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	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	
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	118.3	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 1. - 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 - April	245.2	216.9	161.4	454.2	209.6	230.9
1953 - April	242.7	208.2	168.2	463.5	203.4	227.0
1954 - January	232.4	204.0	174.6	409.5	204.8	221.4
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(r)	205.8	174.6	399.4	203.9	220.6
April	240.3	204.7	174.6	454.2	203.8	225.7
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 - April	247.9	218.2	152.4	432.8	207.9	231.9
1953 - April	243.3	208.4	158.7	434.0	201.4	226.5
1954 - January	238.1	202.9	164.5	419.2	202.5	223.9
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(r)	164.5	412.1	201.8	223.7
April	242.4	205.3	164.5	433.4	201.7	226.1
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
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 - April	242.5	215.7	169.0	484.6	211.2	230.0
1953 - April	242.1	208.1	176.3	505.4	205.3	227.4
1954 - January	226.6	205.1	183.2	395.8	207.2	218.8
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

(a) 1955 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

(r) Revised.

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	August Average	July Average	August Average	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
United States	dollar	.9834	.9732	.9702	.9846	.9851	
United Kingdom	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.7295	2.7425	2.7456	
Argentina	peso (free)	.07079	.07006	.06983	.07065	.07068	
Australia	pound	2.2133	2.1874	2.1832	2.1939	2.1966	
Belgium (1)	franc	.01969	.01945	.01940	.01957	.01959	
Brazil	cruzeiro (free)	-	.01456	-	.01313	.01364	
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5764	.5696	.5685	.5714	.5720	
Ceylon	rupee	.2075	.2051	.2047	.2057	.2059	
Chile	peso	.00890	.00843	.00882	.00492	.00493	
Colombia	peso (basic)	.3921	.3894	.3880	.3938	.3941	
Cuba	peso	.9834	.9733	.9701	.9846	.9852	
Denmark	kroner	.1424	.1409	.1404	.1425	.1426	
Egypt	pound	2.8239	2.7949	2.7856	2.8272	2.8290	
France and North Africa	franc	.00281	.00278	.00277	.00281	.00282	
Germany	deutsche mark	.2342	.2317	.2310	.2337	.2338	
Hong Kong	dollar	.1729	.1709	.1706	.1714	.1716	
India	rupee	.2075	.2051	.2047	.2057	.2059	
Ireland	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.7295	2.7425	2.7456	
Italy	lira	.00158	.00156	.00156	.00158	.00158	
Jamaica	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.7295	2.7425	2.7456	
Japan	yen	.00273	.00270	.00270	.00274	.00274	
Lebanon	pound (free)	.2872	.3031	.3027	.3039	.3047	
Mexico	peso	.1137	.08810	.07760	.07877	.07882	
Netherlands	guilder	.2588	.2568	.2561	.2577	.2575	
New Zealand	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.7295	2.7425	2.7456	
Norway	kroner	.1377	.1363	.1358	.1378	.1379	
Pakistan	rupee	.2972	.2942	.2932	.2976	.2059	
Peru	sol-certificate	.05908	.05011	.05004	.05182	.05185	
Philippines	peso	.4917	.4866	.4850	.4923	.4926	
Portugal	escudo	.03431	.03397	.03385	.03436	.03438	
Singapore	dollar	.3228	.3190	.3184	.3200	.3203	
Sweden	krona	.1901	.1881	.1875	.1903	.1904	
Switzerland	franc	.2293	.2270	.2263	.2297	.2299	
Turkey	lira	.3512	.3476	.3464	.3516	.3518	
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7666	2.7339	2.7295	2.7425	2.7456	
Venezuela	bolivar	.2936	.2905	.2896	.2939	.2941	
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00328	.00324	.00323	.00328	.00328	

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

(1) Includes Belgian Empire and Luxemburg.

IN CANADA AND OTHER SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Country	Base Period	1939	1954	1955					
				Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1952-53		102.5(a)	103.8			104.7		
Canada	1949	63.2	116.2	116.0	116.1	116.4	115.9	116.0	116.4
Denmark	1935	109	220		229			234	
France (Paris)	1949		143.3	144.9	144.8	145.6	144.7	143.1	143.0
India (Bombay)	1933-34	106	359	340	340				
Italy (Rome)	1938	105 (b)	5,183	5,272(d)	5,328(d)	5,378	5,431		
Malaya (Kuala Lumpur)(c)	January 1949		126	123	123	122			
Mexico	1939	100.0	473.1	522.8	527.9				
Netherlands	1949		126	129	129	129			
New Zealand	1st qtr. 1949	74.8	139.5	141.8			143.2		
Norway	1949	63.8	142	142	142	143	143		
South Africa	1938	99.9	195.9	201.8	201.7	200.8	201.6	202.6	
Sweden	1949		129	130	131	131	131		
Switzerland	August 1939		171.0	171.6	171.7	172.3	172.3	172.4	
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952		107.7	110.2	110.8	110.6	112.9	113.3	
United States	1947-49	59.4	114.8	114.3	114.2	114.2	114.4	114.7	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936-39	101.1	321(a)	322 (f)					
Canada	1935-39	99.2	217.0	217.4	218.5	217.8	218.7	218.4	219.6
Denmark	1935	118	341	350	350	350	349	350	
France	1949		135.9	135.2	134.8	137.0	133.3	134.0(d)	134.9
India	1938-39		386.7	354.2	345.4	342.0	342.9		
Italy	1938		5,293	5,317	5,325	5,328(d)	5,323		
Mexico (Mexico City)(e)	1939	100.0	429.4	477.5	482.7	482.0	484.6		
Netherlands	1948		136	136	136	136	136		
New Zealand	1926-30	107.1	252.3	255.1	255.5	254.9	255.7	255.1	
Norway	1938	102	280	277	278	279	280		
South Africa	1938	97.6	263.1	270.3(d)	270.7(d)	268.7			
Sweden	1935	115	297	304	305	307	308		
Switzerland	August 1939		214.4	214.5	214.5	214.4	214.7	214.5	
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	329.9	335.2	334.1	332.6	336.0		
United States	1947-49	50.1	110.3	110.0	110.5	109.9	110.3	110.6	110.8

All indexes are from official sources.

(a) Average from July 1953 to June 1954.

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

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

(d) Revised.

(e) New index; on same base year as that previously published.

(f) February figure.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price SeriesAppearing 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. Interim payments for the 1954-55 crop year were announced March 14, 1955 for barley, and March 18, 1955 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

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 a 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.

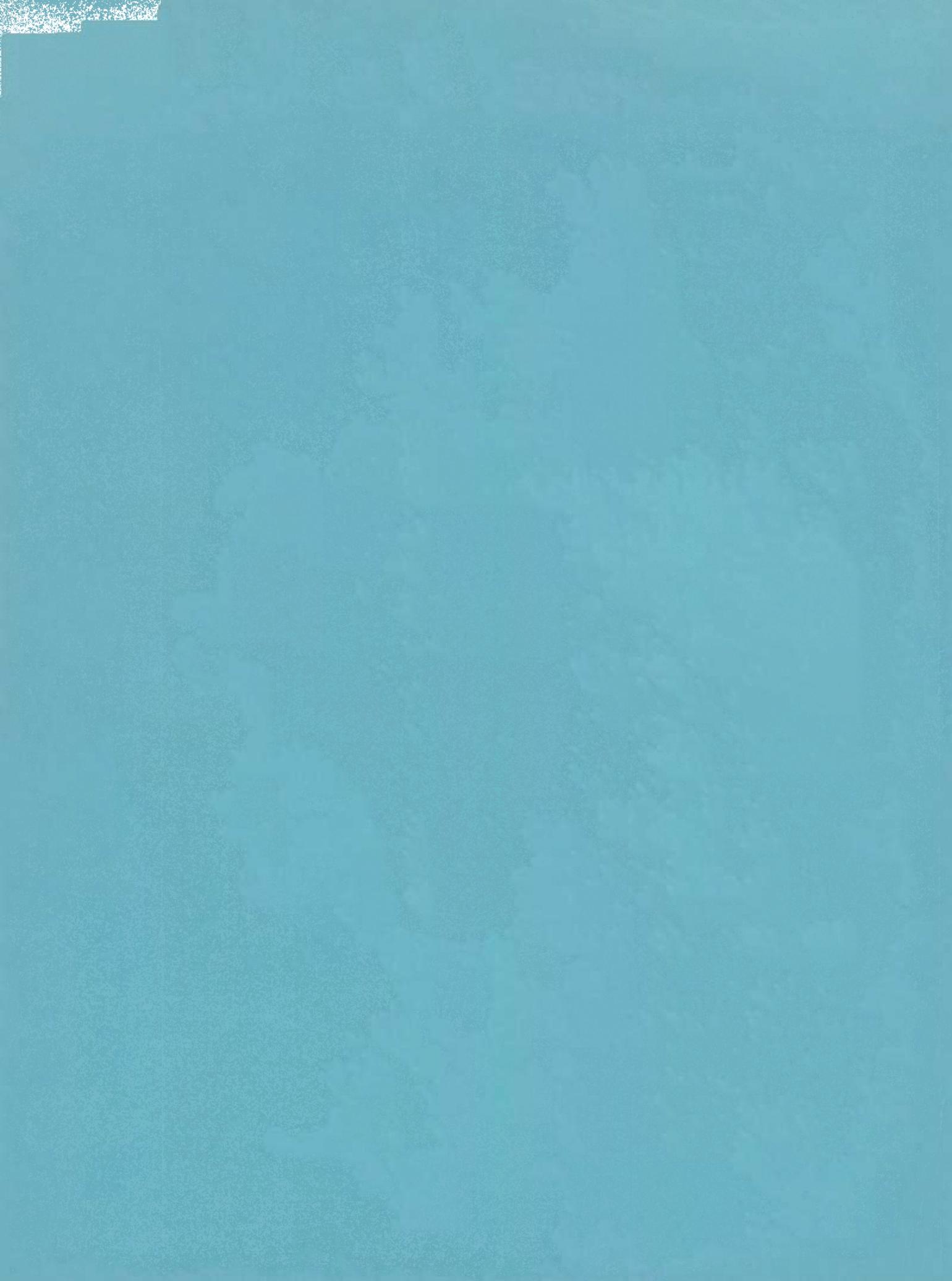
These indexes fulfil the same purpose as the cost-of-living series which they replace, viz.: each index is designed to measure the influence of changes in retail prices taking place in the localities specified, upon the cost of a fixed basket of goods and services representing the level of consumption 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 99 Common Stocks and the Mining Stocks Index are based on the average of the Thursday closing prices. The Preferred Stock Index is a monthly average of daily quotations.



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