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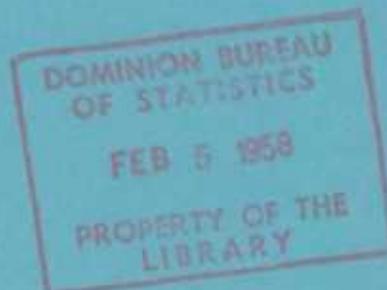
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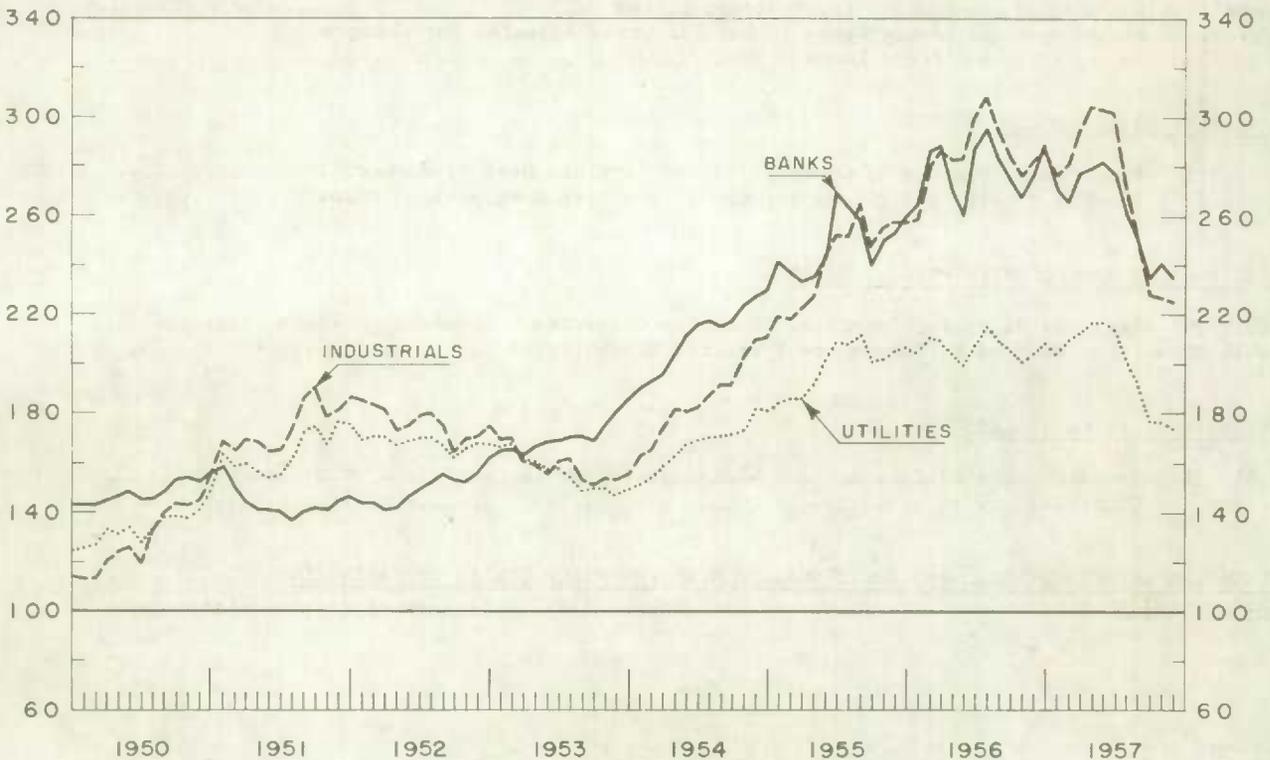
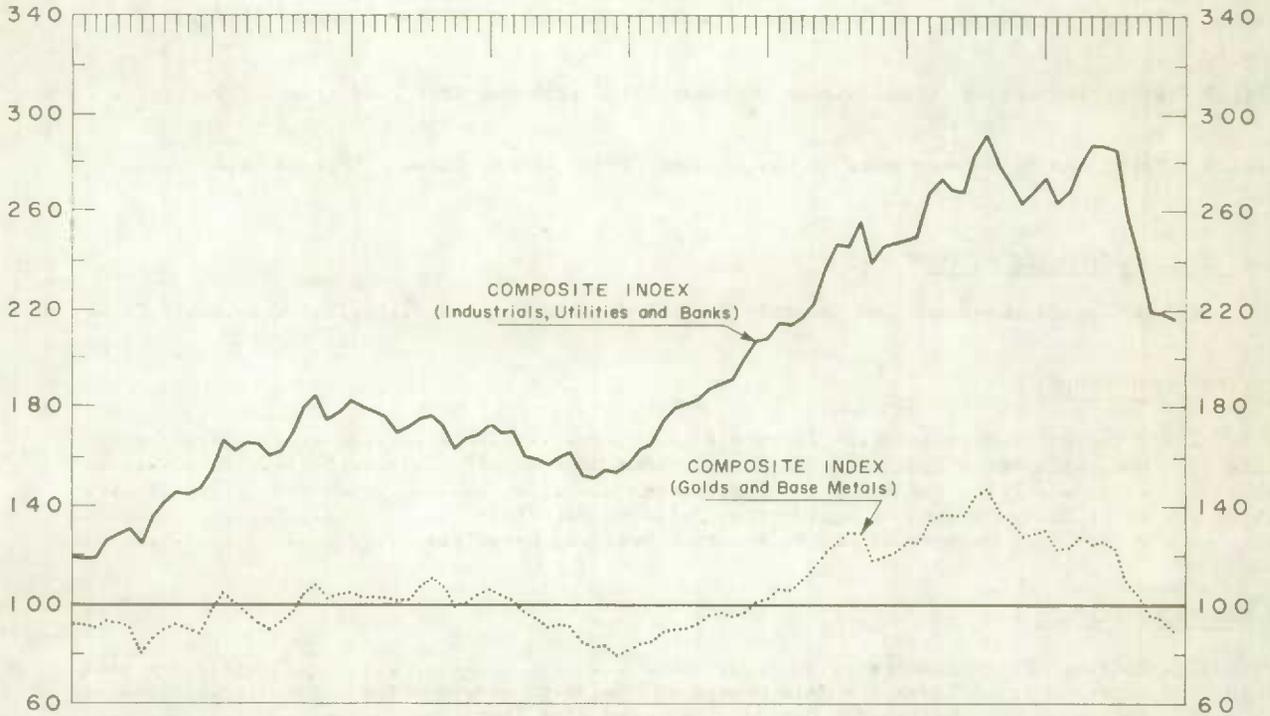
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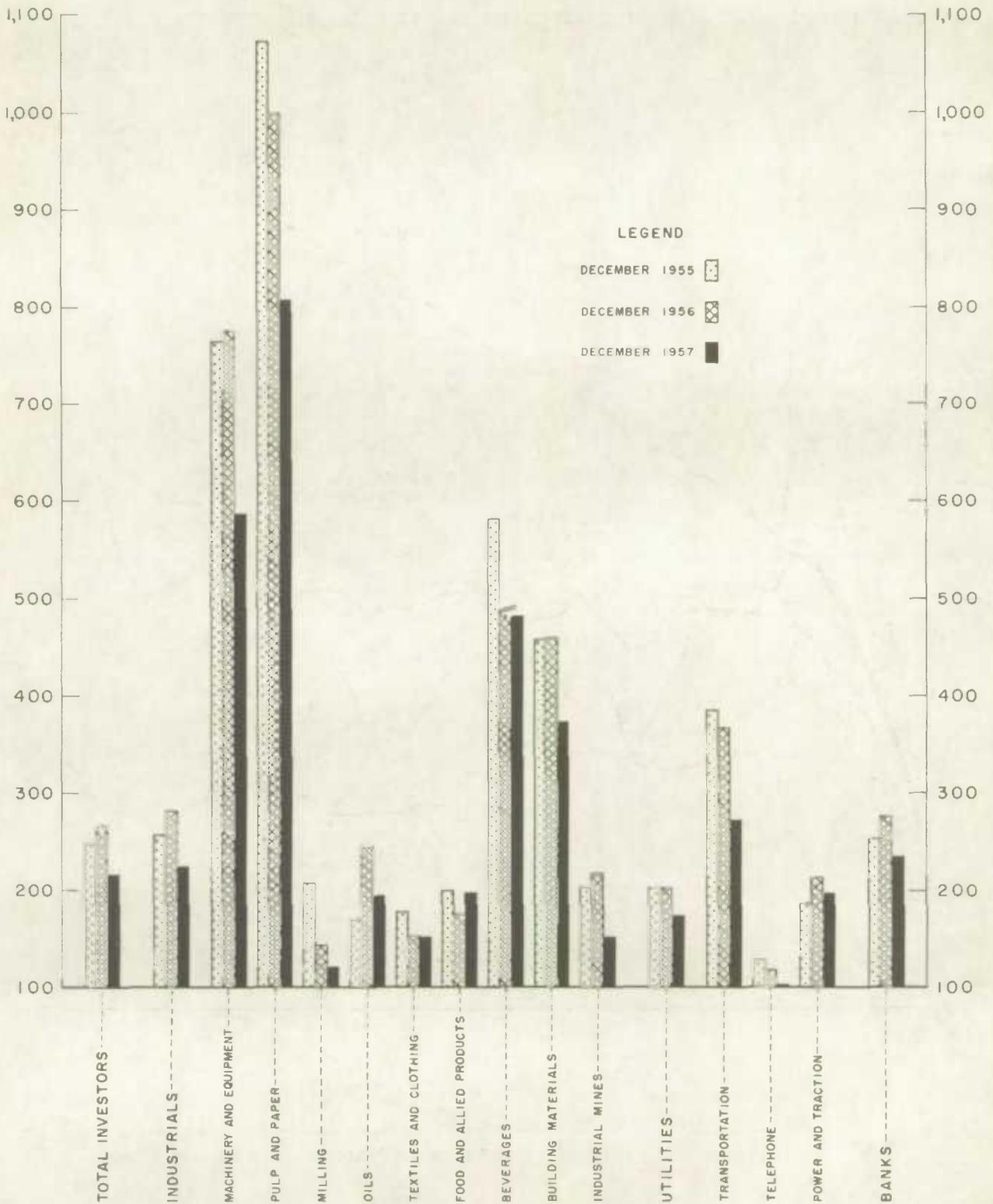
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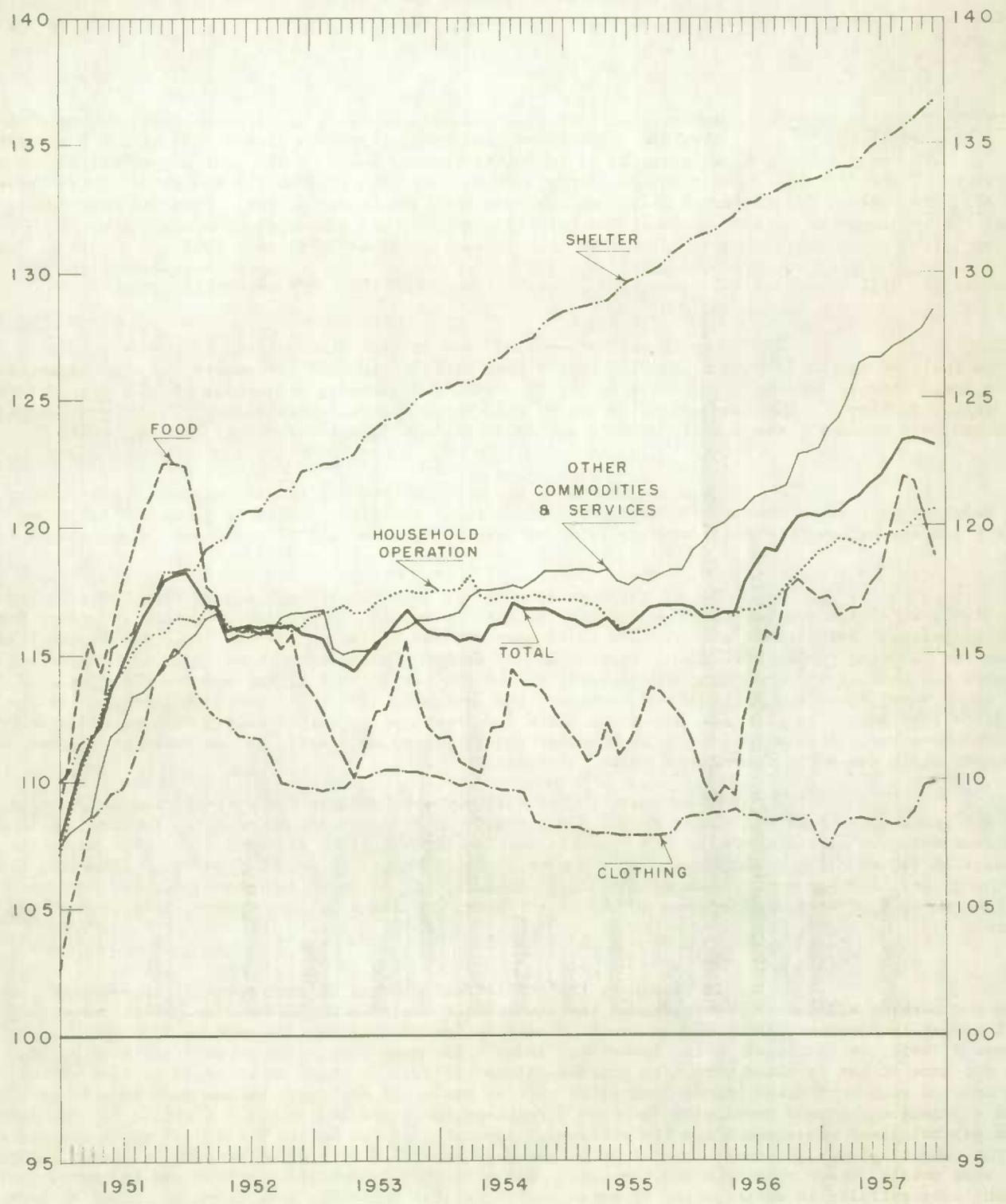
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JANUARY 1951 TO DATE

(1949 = 100)



NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

It is planned to supplement the following review of common stock prices in 1957 with a review of commodity prices in the January issue.

SECURITY PRICES IN 1957:
(1935-1939=100)

Common stock prices on Canadian markets did a complete turn-around in mid-1957. The Investors composite index closed 1956 at 269.5 and after a faltering rally in the opening month of the year dipped briefly in mid-February. Thereafter the index advanced firmly, and by June 13th reached 290.8, just slightly below the all-time peak of 297.8 touched less than one year earlier, on August 9th. From mid-June levels under the influence of various economic and psychological factors stock prices dropped sharply. By October 17th the composite index had reached what subsequently proved to be a 1957 low of 210.1, for a net loss of 22.0 per cent over the final 1956 figure. Recovery from this point was feeble and the December 26, 1957 figure of 212.1 was 21.3 per cent lower than that of December 27, 1956.

Mining stocks recorded even greater fluctuations than were evidenced by issues included in the Investors total. From a peak of 132.1 touched on January 3rd the composite index moved sharply lower to reach 87.0 by the year-end, representing a decrease of 33.4 per cent from the final 1956 level. The substantial change in Base Metal shares, where a drop of 44.1 per cent was recorded, was primarily responsible as Gold issues declined a relatively modest 15.3 per cent.

This was the broad picture, but not all issues behaved in like manner as may be observed from an examination of the following table in which changes in group and sub-group weekly indexes between the final week of 1956 and selected points in 1957 are shown in percentage form.

One of the most interesting features brought out by this table is the relatively wide time scatter in sub-group high points, as opposed to the concentration in timing for the low points. Peak levels were reached in January for the following series: Pulp and Paper; Textiles and Clothing; Industrial Mines; Telephones and Banks. On the other hand, year highs were not reached for most of the remaining series until around the latter half of May and the first half of June. Two sub-groups, Power and Traction and Machinery and Equipment, did not reach peak levels until the first half of July. In contrast, sub-group index low points were touched mainly between mid-October and mid-November. A technical rally in November raised prices moderately as the month progressed, but December again saw a continuation of market weakness.

In contrast to the 21.3 per cent drop in the over-all composite index, one sub-group viz. Food and Allied Products did manage to advance, accumulating an increase of 12.0 per cent over the year and even at its lowest level, on October 17th, it was 1.2 per cent above the final 1956 figure. For other series, losses over the year ranged between 2.0 per cent (Textiles and Clothing) and 32.3 per cent (Industrial Mines). Actually, five series registered losses of 20 per cent or more, four were down between 10 and 19 per cent, and the remainder dropped less than 10 per cent.

In examining the statistical picture in retrospect it is apparent that time was working against an uninterrupted continuation of the advance. Since the inception of the bull market in December, 1953, common stock prices had recorded an average gain of 93.9 per cent by August 9, 1956, as indicated by the Investors index. For many issues the advance was much greater and for some it had produced very high price-earnings ratios. As tight money began to have effect, the rate of return on fixed income securities such as bonds and mortgages became much more attractive with a consequent demand developing in other directions for investment funds. A factor of some short-term psychological consequence was the successful launching of two Soviet artificial earth satellites. On the domestic front, business conditions became more unsettled with deterioration in export demand for base metals, crude petroleum and iron ore. The effect on common stock prices was to reduce quotations substantially in anticipation of pared profit margins following reductions in either or both commodity prices and shipment volume.

Percentage Changes in Total, Group and Sub-Group Weekly Common Stock
Price Indexes At Significant Points In 1957 As Compared With Final 1956 Levels

	Indexes (1935-1939=100)						Percentage Change Between Dec. 27, 1956		
	1956 Dec. 27	1957		Close Dec. 26	High 1957	Low 1957	Dec. 26 1957		
		High	Low						
TOTAL INVESTORS' INDEX	269.5	290.8	June 13	210.1	Oct. 17	212.1	+ 7.9	-22.0	-21.3
Total Industrials	283.2	308.3	June 13	217.9	Nov. 14	219.3	+ 8.9	-23.1	-22.6
Machinery & Equipment	774.2	937.7	July 11	565.3	Nov. 14	574.8	+21.1	-27.0	-25.8
Pulp and Paper	1002.4	1017.5	Jan. 17	764.9	Nov. 14	788.3	+ 1.5	-23.7	-21.4
Milling	145.5	161.1	May 23	116.6	Oct. 24	121.9	+10.7	-19.9	-16.2
Oils	247.9	285.5	May 30	186.9	Nov. 14	187.8	+15.2	-24.6	-24.2
Textiles & Clothing	153.1	169.7	Jan. 17	140.9	Nov. 14	150.1	+10.8	- 8.0	- 2.0
Food & Allied Products	177.4	211.0	June 6	179.6	Oct. 17	198.7	+18.9	+ 1.2	+12.0
Beverages	495.4	525.9	June 13	453.9	Oct. 24	476.8	+ 6.2	- 8.4	- 3.8
Building Materials	464.0	487.1	June 6	364.1	Oct. 17	378.0	+ 5.0	-21.5	-18.5
Industrial Mines	219.2	233.5	Jan. 10	147.5	Dec. 19	148.5	+ 6.5	-32.7	-32.3
Total Utilities	205.6	219.8	May 30	170.0	Oct. 17	172.4	+ 6.9	-17.3	-16.1
Transportation	373.3	406.0	June 13	262.9	Dec. 26	262.9	+ 8.8	-29.6	-29.6
Telephone	118.0	119.0	Jan. 10	98.4	Oct. 17	103.0	+ 0.8	-16.6	-12.7
Power & Traction	218.3	267.1	July 4	185.7	Oct. 17	196.6	+22.4	-14.9	- 9.9
Banks	278.9	294.1	Jan. 17	222.3	Oct. 17	231.9	+ 5.4	-20.3	-16.9
<u>Total Mining</u>	130.6	132.1	Jan. 3	87.0	Dec. 26	87.0	+ 1.1	-33.4	-33.4
Golds	69.8	82.1	June 13	58.4	Dec. 19	59.1	+17.6	-16.3	-15.3
Base Metals	269.7	273.1	Jan. 3	150.8	Dec. 26	150.8	+ 1.3	-44.1	-44.1

GENERAL WHOLESALE INDEX:
(1935-1939=100)

After recording declines for four consecutive months, the General Wholesale Index moved upward 0.3 per cent between November and December, from 224.0 to 225.9. The index is almost one per cent lower than it was a year ago, whereas in the twelve months ending December 1956 it rose approximately three per cent. Six of the eight component groups were higher during the month under review, one remained unchanged and one was barely perceptively lower.

Animal Products registered the largest increase, 2.3 per cent, as higher prices were recorded for livestock, beef hides, fresh and cured meats, with the exception of bacon, and for butter in some centres. These increases overbalanced lower prices for eggs, lard, tallow, calfskins and some leather items, to move this group up from 230.5 to 235.8. Vegetable Products also moved higher from 193.6 to 195.9, an increase of 1.2 per cent. The main contributors to this upward movement were grains, livestock and poultry feed, vegetable oils, coffee, onions, raisins, oranges, unmanufactured tobacco and Timothy hay. Lower prices were reported for fresh fruits, sugar, cocoa beans and cocoa butter. In the remaining four groups which moved higher, the increases were less than one per cent. A decrease in the price of white pine lumber was insufficient to offset the effect of a decline in the strength of the Canadian dollar and the resulting higher returns from the U.S. market for newsprint, woodpulp and cedar shingles; the index for the Wood Products group moved 0.8 per cent higher, from 297.3 to 299.6. The index for Non-metallic Minerals was up 0.7 per cent, from 189.4 to 190.7, due to increases in the prices of coal, asbestos products, and sand and gravel in Winnipeg. On the other hand prices of gasoline in Winnipeg were lower. Decreased prices for electrolytic lead and antimony were offset by increased prices for copper and tin, with the result that the Non-ferrous Metals group moved slightly higher, from 168.4 to 169.3, an increase of 0.5 per cent. Chemical Products was up fractionally, 0.2 per cent, from 182.5 to 182.9, as higher prices for toilet soap overbalanced slightly lower prices for some paint materials.

The Textile Products index of 233.9 was virtually unchanged from the November index of 234.0. In this group increases were recorded for raw cotton, but were outweighed by decreases in jute bags, botany serge and wool cloth.

Iron and its Products remained unchanged at 252.3, as slightly lower prices for steel scrap were offset by higher prices for machine bolts.

CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS:
(1935-1939=100)

Farm product prices at terminal markets showed strength in December lifting the index 2.5 per cent to 204.6 from the November level of 199.7. While both groups advanced, a relatively greater increase occurred in Animal Products for which the index rose 3.3 per cent from 245.7 to 253.7. Livestock advanced on both Eastern and Western markets while cheesemilk was higher in the East. Prices were lower on both Eastern and Western markets for eggs and in the West for fluid milk. Field Products increased 1.1 per cent from 153.7 to 155.4 reflecting higher quotations for potatoes, Eastern grains and tobacco and Western flax. Western rye moved moderately lower. Regional composite index increases were 3.1 per cent in the East, from 214.6 to 221.2, and 1.7 per cent in the West, from 184.8 to 187.9.

BUILDING MATERIALS INDEXES:

The composite indexes of building material prices remained almost unchanged between November and December. The residential series, on the base 1935-1939=100, changed from 288.6 to 288.5 and the Non-Residential index, on the base 1949=100, from 130.0 to 130.4. Small gains were noted for a number of items including machine bolts, concrete mix and linseed oil while further slight weakness occurred in lumber.

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX:
(1949=100)

A decrease of 0.2 per cent in the Consumer Price Index between November and December 1957, from 123.3 to 123.1, marked the second consecutive month in which the index has declined. As in the previous month, the decrease was attributable to a decline in the Food index, which was partially offset by increases in the other groups. In the current month the Food index decreased 1.2 per cent from 120.2 to 118.8. The same percentage decrease in the food series was registered between October and November, and of the total decrease of 2.4 per cent between October and December, about one-half was seasonal. Among food items eggs were down 7 cents per dozen, with bacon, lettuce and imported fresh fruits also registering decreases. Smaller declines were shown for coffee, tea, sugar and margarine. Beef prices increased for the first time since August, and tomatoes and celery were higher in price. The Shelter index rose from 136.3 to 136.7 under the influence of both the rent and home-ownership components. The Clothing index was fractionally higher at 109.9 as the result of small scattered increases. A 0.1 per cent rise to 120.6 in the Household Operation index also reflected scattered price changes, with increases slightly more important than decreases. A relatively sharp increase in the Other Commodities and Services index from 127.7 to 128.4 was largely due to December prices of 1958 model cars, as compared with November prices of 1957 models. Gasoline prices were easier while toilet soap was higher.

TABLE 1. - SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE INDEXES

	INDEXES				PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
	1955	1956	1957	1957	1955	1956	1957
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)</u> (1)							
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	221.5	228.0	224.0	225.9	+ 2.0	- 0.9	+ 0.8
Vegetable Products	193.0	200.3	193.6	195.9	+ 1.5	- 2.2	+ 1.2
Animal Products	221.1	235.8	230.5	235.8	+ 6.6	0	+ 2.3
Textile Products	226.8	234.0	234.0	233.9	+ 3.1	- 0.04	- 0.04
Wood Products	303.7	298.1	297.3	299.6	- 1.4	+ 0.5	+ 0.8
Iron Products	229.6	249.9	252.3	252.3	+ 9.9	+ 1.0	0
Non-ferrous Metals	200.6	190.4	168.4	169.3	- 15.6	- 11.1	+ 0.5
Non-metallic Minerals	176.9	185.4	189.4	190.7	+ 7.8	+ 2.8	+ 0.7
Chemical Products	178.0	180.7	182.5	182.9	+ 2.8	+ 1.2	+ 0.2
<u>CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS</u> (1) (2)							
Eastern Total	210.9	232.1	214.6	221.2	-	-	-
Western Total	197.4	188.7	184.8	187.9	-	-	-
Field	168.9	164.4	153.7	155.4	-	-	-
Animal	239.4	256.4	245.7	253.7	-	-	-
<u>SELECTED PRICE INDEXES</u> (1)							
Canadian Industrial Materials	244.2	249.8	228.9	231.8	- 5.1	- 7.2	+ 1.3
Residential Building Materials (1949=100)	126.1	128.4	126.6	126.5	+ 0.3	- 1.5	- 0.1
Non-Residential Building Materials (1949=100)	126.0	129.7	130.0	130.4	+ 3.5	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1949=100)</u>							
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	116.9	120.4	123.3	123.1	+ 5.3	+ 2.2	- 0.2
Food	112.4	117.5	120.2	118.8	+ 5.7	+ 1.1	- 1.2
Shelter	131.0	133.5	136.3	136.7	+ 4.4	+ 2.4	+ 0.3
Clothing	108.5	108.6	109.8	109.9	+ 1.3	+ 1.2	+ 0.1
Household Operation	116.6	118.6	120.5	120.6	+ 3.4	+ 1.7	+ 0.1
Other Commodities and Services	118.3	122.9	127.7	128.4	+ 8.5	+ 4.5	+ 0.5
<u>SECURITY PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)</u>							
<u>TOTAL INVESTORS' INDEX</u>	247.6	267.8	218.6	216.2	- 12.7	- 19.3	- 1.1
Total Industrials	257.0	281.7	226.2	224.0	- 12.8	- 20.5	- 1.0
Machinery & Equipment	763.8	776.8	600.3	587.9	- 23.0	- 24.3	- 2.1
Pulp & Paper	1,073.3	998.9	792.7	808.1	- 24.7	- 19.1	+ 1.9
Milling	209.1	143.6	122.4	120.8	- 42.2	- 15.9	- 1.3
Oils	170.8	244.8	195.6	194.9	+ 14.1	- 20.4	- 0.4
Textiles & Clothing	178.2	152.4	144.0	151.4	- 15.0	- 0.7	+ 5.1
Foods	200.0	176.5	188.8	198.7	- 0.6	+ 12.6	+ 5.2
Beverages	581.9	493.0	475.1	482.6	- 17.1	- 2.1	+ 1.6
Building Materials	457.8	459.6	377.6	373.4	- 18.4	- 18.8	- 1.1
Industrial Mines	204.5	219.0	159.3	151.0	- 26.2	- 31.1	- 5.2
Total Utilities	204.2	203.6	176.2	173.9	- 14.8	- 14.6	- 1.3
Transportation	386.1	367.1	284.3	272.5	- 29.4	- 25.8	- 4.2
Telephone	129.3	118.3	102.0	102.4	- 20.8	- 13.4	+ 0.4
Power and Traction	186.0	214.4	201.3	198.4	+ 6.7	- 7.5	- 1.4
Banks	253.4	276.2	240.5	234.9	- 7.3	- 15.0	- 2.3
<u>MINING STOCKS</u>							
General Index	121.4	129.4	93.4	89.4	- 26.4	- 30.9	- 4.3
Gold	72.6	68.9	61.2	60.0	- 17.4	- 12.9	- 2.0
Base Metals	233.0	267.8	167.0	156.8	- 32.7	- 41.4	- 6.1

(1) All 1957 indexes are subject to revision.

(2) Percentages not shown since Canadian Farm Products indexes subsequent to July 1956 are subject to further major revisions as and when interim and or participation payments are announced.

TABLE 2. - 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	170.9	256.2	213.6
1955	218.9	209.7	224.5	236.0	180.1	245.1	212.6
1956	225.6	215.8	231.5	248.2	176.9	246.9	211.9
1955 Oct.	220.0	210.8	225.8	240.7	165.4	241.9	203.7
Nov.	220.7	211.3	226.6	240.8	166.9	240.5	203.7
Dec.	221.5	212.6	226.7	244.2	168.9	239.4	204.1
1956 Jan.	222.0	212.9	227.4	246.1	172.1	235.0	203.5
Feb.	222.2	213.3	227.6	247.2	173.2	232.3	202.8
Mar.	223.3	214.7	228.4	248.8	177.8	231.1	204.4
Apr.	224.6	216.3	229.5	248.9	182.7	231.9	207.3
May	225.4	217.3	230.3	247.8	191.5	238.0	214.7
June	226.5	219.2	231.3	248.5	196.4	251.9	224.2
July	226.6	219.0	231.6	247.4	210.6	256.5	233.5
Aug.	227.0	217.0	233.2	249.2	171.1	258.2	214.7
Sept.	227.4	216.2	234.4	249.5	160.3	259.6	209.9
Oct.	227.0	214.3	234.7	247.7	159.9	256.2	208.1
Nov.	226.6	213.3	234.6	247.7	163.1	255.9	209.5
Dec.	228.0	216.4	235.1	249.8	164.4	256.4	210.4
1957 Jan.	229.4	217.8	236.5	251.1	166.0	257.2	211.6
Feb.	228.4	214.9	236.8	248.4	161.3	259.0	210.1
Mar.	228.4	212.5	237.8	247.0	160.2	253.4	206.8
Apr.	228.4	211.7	238.3	246.2	159.9	255.1	207.5
May	228.0	209.6	238.8	242.3	157.5	255.3	206.4
June	228.0	209.8	238.8	240.6	154.6	262.2	208.4
July	228.2	209.1	239.5	239.8	155.1	270.2	212.7
Aug.	227.6	207.9	239.2	238.6	153.8	271.3	212.6
Sept.	226.7	206.4	238.6	236.4	153.2	263.8	208.5
Oct.	224.8	203.5	237.2	232.5	152.8	248.6	200.7
Nov.	224.0	203.1	236.1	228.9	153.7	245.7	199.7
Dec.	225.9	206.0	237.2	231.8	155.4	253.7	204.6

(1) Indexes August 1955 - July 1956 are final with the inclusion of final participation payments for Western wheat as announced in May 1957. Subsequent indexes are subject to revision. Please see note page 32 for specific publications wherein final indexes for earlier years may be found and for details concerning Western grain prices.

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL

(1935-39 = 100)

		- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -								
Date	General Whole- Sale Index	Total Vegetable Pro- ducts	Grains	Milled Cereal Foods	Live- stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned	
1956	Average ...	225.6	197.3	188.4	149.2	202.6	193.4	175.0	185.2	159.3
1956	May	225.4	198.6	192.0	148.4	217.6	186.4	189.4	178.5	150.9
	June	226.5	199.7	190.8	148.2	208.2	195.9	189.7	180.3	154.2
	July	226.6	202.7	188.4	150.7	195.0	195.9	166.3	181.5	156.3
	Aug.	227.0	198.6	188.9	151.0	200.6	196.4	166.2	192.2	162.4
	Sept.	227.4	196.1	188.8	150.4	198.7	196.4	178.5	198.1	164.8
	Oct.	227.0	196.3	187.6	151.3	202.9	201.1	183.5	198.4	171.4
	Nov.	226.6	197.3	185.9	151.4	197.2	202.7	180.8	190.5	173.1
	Dec.	228.0	200.3	184.9	151.3	193.5	204.2	171.6	190.5	176.4
1957	Jan.	229.4	203.5	184.6	151.3	197.2	205.8	180.5	182.2	177.4
	Feb.	228.4	200.7	182.3	151.2	191.6	205.8	176.8	182.2	182.7
	Mar.	228.4	200.4	180.3	151.4	193.5	207.4	177.7	182.2	182.7
	Apr.	228.4	200.5	178.5	151.0	194.4	207.4	168.6	188.2	182.7
	May	228.0	197.5	174.5	150.6	186.9	207.4	173.9	188.3	182.7
	June	228.0	196.6	171.9	150.6	175.6	207.4	172.5	188.3	178.7
	July	228.2	195.2	170.6	150.0	171.8	207.4	166.3	188.3	181.0
	Aug.	227.6	192.8	170.3	148.8	166.1	207.4	169.9	181.1	177.4
	Sept.	226.7	193.1	171.8	149.0	166.1	207.4	178.9	181.1	171.0
	Oct.	224.8	192.8	170.6	148.9	158.6	207.4	192.1	181.8	172.6
	Nov.	224.0	193.6	170.3	149.2	156.0	207.4	186.3	182.3	172.6
	Dec.	225.9	195.9	173.5	149.3	159.8	207.4	180.5	187.8	171.1

- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - Concluded

		Vegetable Oils and Pro- ducts	Rubber and Its Pro- ducts	Sugar and Its Pro- ducts	Tea, Coffee and Cocoa	Pota- toes	Onions	Canned Vegetables	Raw Leaf To- bacco
1956	Average ...	293.5	201.0	155.9	361.6	258.2	213.5	207.0	184.3
1956	May	312.9	196.4	154.2	353.1	329.1	169.0	198.1	185.7
	June	301.6	196.8	154.0	359.0	384.9	169.0	199.5	183.3
	July	296.4	200.5	155.5	367.2	535.2	369.2	207.5	183.3
	Aug.	289.7	201.9	155.5	363.9	284.2	340.9	210.4	183.3
	Sept.	286.9	199.2	153.4	364.7	177.8	204.6	210.4	183.3
	Oct.	288.3	199.1	153.1	357.8	169.8	189.6	219.6	183.3
	Nov.	284.2	202.4	158.4	359.9	201.6	172.6	227.5	183.3
	Dec.	300.2	200.9	181.4	371.9	214.9	181.8	227.5	183.3
1957	Jan.	292.3	196.9	219.2	367.5	231.6	196.7	227.5	183.3
	Feb.	286.9	193.6	209.5	363.6	200.9	236.0	227.5	183.3
	Mar.	287.2	199.0	215.6	351.2	191.8	208.7	214.3	183.3
	Apr.	283.5	199.5	228.7	344.3	194.6	230.6	209.1	183.3
	May	271.1	199.0	214.6	341.4	184.8	230.6	209.1	186.4
	June	261.0	199.6	214.0	358.8	170.3	230.6	201.2	186.4
	July	270.7	199.6	201.9	354.0	185.6	253.3	197.5	186.4
	Aug.	276.5	199.0	181.7	356.5	177.4	184.0	195.3	186.4
	Sept.	275.7	197.1	189.3	363.0	162.0	162.3	203.3	186.4
	Oct.	280.3	196.6	178.7	365.4	157.8	158.2	203.3	186.4
	Nov.	283.7	193.5	173.6	391.7	163.1	170.7	203.3	186.4
	Dec.	296.7	195.8	170.4	387.4	164.7	177.0	203.3	196.8

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -							
	Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanufactured	Boots and Shoes	Live-stock	Steers
1956 Average	227.7	296.9	97.5	134.1	204.9	209.7	265.6	317.9
1956 May	221.4	282.6	101.2	133.3	204.1	209.6	252.3	302.7
June	229.5	284.1	92.6	134.7	204.1	210.1	272.8	330.2
July	232.8	289.9	93.2	135.6	204.1	210.1	278.4	344.8
Aug.	234.0	293.1	93.2	132.9	204.1	210.1	280.8	355.9
Sept.	236.3	298.6	93.2	139.2	205.8	211.9	284.2	350.9
Oct.	235.4	301.1	93.2	125.1	205.8	212.7	277.3	322.3
Nov.	235.1	303.6	93.2	126.4	210.4	213.3	281.0	324.2
Dec.	235.8	313.4	93.2	120.7	207.4	213.3	284.3	318.5
1957 Jan.	237.6	317.1	93.2	124.0	205.3	216.7	287.7	315.4
Feb.	238.4	320.4	93.2	124.2	205.3	217.3	287.6	303.1
Mar.	236.3	322.4	93.9	123.4	202.1	217.3	278.3	307.1
Apr.	236.6	312.4	89.9	107.7	198.8	217.6	281.8	323.4
May	237.2	297.1	92.0	117.9	202.1	218.7	283.5	322.2
June	241.6	294.9	92.0	119.7	205.3	219.1	292.9	322.3
July	245.8	291.9	92.2	120.3	205.3	219.1	300.3	321.1
Aug.	246.1	289.6	92.2	124.5	205.3	219.1	299.7	320.1
Sept.	242.1	291.6	92.2	124.0	205.3	218.5	285.7	303.8
Oct.	232.7	291.6	92.2	124.9	205.3	219.2	258.2	287.1
Nov.	230.5	295.9	92.2	118.9	205.3	219.2	258.4	293.7
Dec.	235.8	307.1	92.2	119.0	204.7	219.2	273.5	307.9

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

Date	- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded							
	Meats, Fresh	Beef and Veal Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Products	Butter	Oils and Fats	Eggs
1956 Average	262.6	297.7	179.2	187.3	227.1	226.7	142.8	174.6
1956 May	255.9	295.1	163.8	222.9	223.6	225.1	138.3	173.7
June	276.3	311.2	171.3	210.8	223.9	223.9	135.3	189.8
July	283.6	321.3	175.4	198.8	225.6	223.5	132.2	194.2
Aug.	281.6	320.9	182.9	180.7	226.4	223.8	137.3	199.2
Sept.	281.0	312.9	195.9	156.6	227.1	225.5	148.0	195.6
Oct.	275.9	301.5	201.7	150.6	229.8	228.8	159.6	194.8
Nov.	270.3	291.9	203.8	150.6	232.6	229.3	162.1	153.7
Dec.	268.9	291.5	206.3	150.6	232.2	229.9	166.0	143.5
1957 Jan.	276.0	300.6	207.4	144.6	232.0	229.9	168.4	136.0
Feb.	274.6	293.9	213.2	138.6	232.3	229.7	170.6	141.1
Mar.	273.5	301.1	210.9	147.6	232.7	230.0	169.6	141.0
Apr.	280.8	313.5	209.0	144.6	233.4	229.9	167.6	138.3
May	287.9	315.1	213.8	138.6	232.2	228.6	163.2	136.6
June	293.7	309.6	225.9	135.5	233.3	227.9	162.5	140.2
July	295.0	302.5	237.2	156.6	233.0	229.8	166.7	166.3
Aug.	288.6	296.9	241.5	150.6	237.3	239.1	168.0	164.7
Sept.	277.3	291.3	234.7	168.7	239.2	242.9	166.0	170.2
Oct.	263.0	283.4	210.6	168.7	241.4	242.6	165.1	172.3
Nov.	261.9	286.2	197.5	168.7	241.8	242.9	163.8	157.8
Dec.	271.8	301.5	196.7	168.7	243.2	245.3	158.9	144.4

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

(1935-39 = 100)

		- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS -							
Date	Total Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	Raw Cotton	Cotton Yarns	Cotton Fabrics	Cotton Knit Goods	Miscel- laneous Fibre Products	Silk and Nylon Thread	Rayon Fabrics	
1956	Average ...	230.2	295.7	249.2	238.2	221.9	209.0	175.1	154.4
1956	May	228.9	295.6	253.9	239.4	220.7	209.2	169.5	154.2
	June	229.6	305.7	250.0	239.4	220.7	207.0	169.5	154.2
	July	228.7	297.7	248.5	239.0	220.7	207.0	169.5	154.2
	Aug.	230.1	280.0	243.8	238.8	220.7	207.0	182.9	154.2
	Sept.	232.5	282.1	243.8	238.8	224.4	213.1	182.9	154.2
	Oct.	232.1	282.8	243.8	237.5	224.4	213.1	182.9	154.2
	Nov.	232.6	281.7	247.7	237.6	224.4	215.4	182.9	155.6
	Dec.	234.0	279.9	247.7	237.6	224.4	215.4	182.9	155.6
1957	Jan.	234.6	284.4	246.1	238.7	222.3	215.4	182.9	155.6
	Feb.	235.2	286.1	246.1	238.5	222.3	211.3	182.9	156.9
	Mar.	235.5	283.5	244.6	237.8	222.3	211.3	182.9	156.9
	Apr.	236.4	284.4	244.6	237.4	222.3	207.6	182.9	156.9
	May.	237.1	285.4	244.6	237.3	222.3	207.6	182.9	156.9
	June	237.1	288.0	241.5	237.3	222.3	207.6	182.9	156.9
	July	237.4	287.0	241.5	237.3	230.7	206.4	182.9	156.9
	Aug.	236.8	280.5	241.5	236.4	230.7	206.4	182.9	156.9
	Sept.	235.6	280.1	241.5	234.5	230.7	206.4	182.9	156.9
	Oct.	235.0	287.7	241.5	234.5	230.7	206.4	182.9	156.9
	Nov.	234.0	296.1	241.5	234.5	230.7	206.4	182.9	160.2
	Dec.	233.9	301.1	241.5	234.1	230.7	204.6	182.9	160.2

- 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
1956	Average ...	170.2	248.8	212.4	201.2	230.9	268.2	239.7	231.7
1956	May	170.5	239.9	211.1	197.7	230.9	271.2	235.3	232.3
	June	170.5	246.2	211.9	197.7	230.9	271.2	236.6	232.3
	July	170.5	253.5	210.3	197.7	230.9	271.2	236.3	232.3
	Aug.	170.5	254.6	209.6	201.9	230.9	271.2	239.3	232.3
	Sept.	170.5	253.7	223.0	201.9	230.9	271.2	249.2	232.3
	Oct.	170.5	251.6	219.1	204.5	230.9	271.2	247.9	232.3
	Nov.	170.5	250.5	224.5	204.1	230.9	271.2	248.6	232.3
	Dec.	170.5	260.8	227.1	214.4	230.9	271.2	253.9	232.3
1957	Jan.	178.4	260.8	227.3	213.4	230.9	271.2	254.0	231.9
	Feb.	178.4	258.9	233.8	219.5	230.9	295.0	254.5	231.9
	Mar.	178.4	269.2	237.9	220.5	230.9	295.0	258.0	231.9
	Apr.	178.4	288.0	242.5	229.8	230.9	295.0	261.0	231.9
	May	178.4	288.0	255.7	232.7	230.9	295.0	262.2	231.9
	June	178.4	288.0	243.5	232.4	230.9	295.0	264.2	231.9
	July	188.4	288.0	243.5	229.8	230.9	295.0	263.0	231.9
	Aug.	188.4	288.0	244.3	229.8	230.9	295.0	263.8	231.9
	Sept.	188.4	276.6	235.6	224.7	233.4	295.0	261.1	231.9
	Oct.	188.4	276.6	221.0	216.7	233.4	295.0	259.0	231.9
	Nov.	188.4	242.1	202.6	212.8	233.4	295.0	253.1	231.9
	Dec.	188.4	242.1	202.6	212.5	233.4	295.0	251.4	231.9

TABLE 3. - 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	Wrap-ping Paper, No. 1 Kraft
1956 Average ...	303.7	450.6	415.2	330.1	381.2	547.3	446.5	219.3	295.4	238.5
1956 May	306.0	456.9	416.0	328.7	386.9	557.2	461.1	221.2	297.1	239.3
June	304.9	455.4	416.0	334.9	386.9	555.4	451.3	219.9	295.6	239.3
July	304.4	455.5	417.8	334.9	386.9	554.8	450.5	219.3	294.6	239.3
Aug.	303.8	454.4	417.8	334.9	386.9	551.8	449.0	218.9	293.9	239.3
Sept.	302.5	449.2	416.4	334.9	386.9	542.2	439.1	218.1	292.9	239.3
Oct.	301.4	445.2	415.6	334.9	386.9	533.2	435.4	217.8	292.3	240.3
Nov.	299.3	441.9	415.6	334.9	386.9	530.2	418.2	215.8	289.2	240.3
Dec.	298.1	438.9	415.6	334.9	386.9	526.5	407.1	215.3	288.3	240.3
1957 Jan.	298.8	441.8	415.6	334.9	386.9	529.7	418.7	215.5	286.1	240.3
Feb.	297.9	438.6	415.6	334.9	381.2	524.3	412.3	215.2	285.7	240.3
Mar.	301.0	438.1	415.0	334.9	381.2	524.3	410.0	214.7	295.3	240.3
Apr.	301.2	437.0	414.2	334.9	381.2	522.5	408.4	215.5	296.1	240.3
May.	300.4	436.1	414.2	334.9	381.2	519.5	409.0	214.6	295.0	240.3
June	300.0	436.3	412.4	334.9	381.2	519.5	412.8	214.1	294.2	240.3
July	299.8	436.2	412.4	334.9	381.2	519.5	412.6	213.9	293.9	240.3
Aug.	299.0	434.8	411.4	334.9	381.2	515.6	413.8	213.0	292.2	249.1
Sept.	299.3	431.6	409.7	334.9	381.2	505.9	417.1	215.7	293.7	249.1
Oct.	299.7	428.3	399.8	334.9	381.2	505.5	412.1	221.9	294.8	249.1
Nov.	297.3	420.4	398.0	334.9	381.2	490.9	397.0	221.3	293.4	249.1
Dec.	299.6	420.7	398.0	334.9	381.2	490.9	400.1	224.0	297.9	249.1

- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -

Date	Total Iron Products	Pig Iron	Rolling Mill Products	Pipe and Tubing	Hard-ware	Wire	Scrap Iron and Steel	Tin Plate and Galvanized Sheet
1956 Average ...	239.8	277.6	222.4	243.2	252.6	273.3	408.7	227.1
1956 May	237.0	275.1	216.8	236.9	249.7	272.0	425.5	227.4
June	235.8	275.1	218.7	236.9	250.2	272.0	381.3	227.4
July	235.9	275.1	218.8	245.3	250.2	272.0	366.0	227.4
Aug.	243.7	286.2	230.8	248.7	251.1	272.0	410.2	230.3
Sept.	247.5	286.2	231.7	248.6	259.9	286.4	430.6	230.3
Oct.	248.4	286.2	231.7	248.6	260.6	286.4	433.8	230.3
Nov.	249.1	286.2	231.7	252.9	261.5	286.4	433.8	230.3
Dec.	249.9	288.1	231.7	252.9	262.0	286.4	447.4	230.3
1957 Jan.	250.3	288.4	231.8	252.9	262.0	286.4	447.4	233.3
Feb.	250.8	288.4	235.7	252.9	262.0	286.4	416.7	236.7
Mar.	250.4	288.4	235.7	254.1	262.0	286.4	404.8	236.7
Apr.	249.8	295.3	235.7	254.1	263.4	286.4	368.2	241.1
May	252.6	295.3	240.1	262.6	263.4	292.2	366.0	239.7
June	253.1	295.3	240.1	262.6	263.4	292.2	379.6	238.9
July	254.3	295.3	245.1	255.9	263.4	292.2	379.6	238.9
Aug.	256.4	295.3	246.3	255.9	263.8	292.2	414.5	238.9
Sept.	255.8	295.3	246.3	255.9	265.4	292.2	394.0	238.9
Oct.	252.8	295.3	246.3	255.9	265.4	292.2	329.4	238.9
Nov.	252.3	295.3	246.3	255.9	265.4	292.2	304.1	238.9
Dec.	252.3	295.3	246.3	255.9	267.6	292.2	296.4	238.9

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

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- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -											
Date	Total Non-Ferrous Metals		Anti-mony	Copper and Its Products	Lead and Its Products	Silver	Tin	Zinc and Its Products	Solder	Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)	
	(1)	(2)									
1956	Average ..	199.2	280.2	177.0	385.9	323.5	230.7	189.6	320.5	212.1	256.6
1956	May	207.2	294.1	177.3	426.5	323.2	232.3	184.1	320.6	213.4	260.8
	June	206.1	292.5	177.3	422.8	323.2	230.2	180.8	320.6	205.4	259.4
	July	195.3	273.5	177.3	369.1	323.2	228.4	181.5	320.6	205.4	251.6
	Aug.	195.4	273.6	177.3	367.7	323.2	229.7	184.8	320.6	205.4	256.2
	Sept.	195.3	273.8	177.3	367.7	323.2	229.2	189.2	320.6	205.4	258.5
	Oct.	192.8	269.6	173.9	358.4	323.2	229.2	188.1	320.6	205.4	257.2
	Nov.	186.8	259.5	173.9	329.3	323.2	227.6	194.8	320.6	221.3	253.4
	Dec.	190.4	266.4	173.9	328.1	323.2	226.6	191.4	320.6	221.3	256.8
1957	Jan.	189.8	265.2	175.6	328.1	320.0	226.6	186.5	310.7	205.4	256.5
	Feb.	182.7	252.8	175.6	294.5	318.1	226.1	183.1	305.1	205.4	251.6
	Mar.	182.6	252.6	175.6	294.2	318.1	225.6	183.2	305.1	205.4	251.3
	Apr.	182.7	252.7	175.6	294.2	318.1	226.4	182.7	305.1	205.4	251.0
	May	180.4	248.8	175.6	293.7	305.1	225.3	181.1	270.6	205.4	251.0
	June	176.3	241.6	172.1	283.1	283.0	222.7	179.2	249.5	202.2	248.3
	July	172.4	234.8	168.7	269.0	276.8	221.7	175.6	232.8	202.2	246.2
	Aug.	170.4	231.4	165.2	262.4	276.8	222.5	171.6	231.4	202.2	246.0
	Sept.	168.6	227.3	165.2	250.3	276.8	224.5	172.8	231.4	202.2	243.9
	Oct.	169.1	227.8	163.5	252.9	271.6	225.8	171.3	231.4	202.2	242.4
	Nov.	168.4	226.8	163.5	251.5	266.5	224.5	167.2	231.4	202.2	241.7
	Dec.	169.3	227.1	158.4	254.1	256.2	226.6	173.8	231.4	202.2	241.8
- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -											
Date	Total Non-Metallic Products		Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Window Glass			
	(1)	(2)									
1956	Average ..	180.8	237.5	160.6	182.1	300.2	231.0		270.2		
1956	May	178.9	239.9	159.2	178.8	271.6	224.9		270.2		
	June	179.2	239.9	159.2	178.8	320.6	224.9		270.2		
	July	180.3	239.9	162.4	180.3	320.6	226.6		270.2		
	Aug.	180.3	240.5	162.4	180.3	320.6	226.6		270.2		
	Sept.	181.3	237.7	162.4	182.2	320.6	237.6		270.2		
	Oct.	181.4	237.8	161.9	182.2	320.6	237.6		270.2		
	Nov.	183.8	237.8	161.9	186.5	320.6	241.0		270.2		
	Dec.	185.4	237.8	161.9	191.7	320.6	241.0		270.2		
1957	Jan.	187.4	240.4	174.6	193.7	320.6	242.7		270.2		
	Feb.	189.7	240.4	174.6	194.3	320.6	242.7		270.2		
	Mar.	189.7	240.4	174.6	194.3	320.6	242.7		270.2		
	Apr.	188.6	240.6	174.6	189.8	320.6	242.7		270.2		
	May	188.8	240.6	174.6	191.0	320.6	239.3		270.2		
	June	188.9	238.8	174.6	190.8	320.6	239.3		270.2		
	July	188.6	238.8	174.6	189.9	320.6	239.3		270.2		
	Aug.	188.7	238.8	174.6	190.4	320.6	239.3		270.2		
	Sept.	189.0	238.8	174.6	193.1	320.6	239.3		270.2		
	Oct.	189.7	238.8	174.6	196.3	320.6	239.3		270.2		
	Nov.	189.4	238.8	174.6	197.7	320.6	242.7		270.2		
	Dec.	190.7	238.8	174.6	199.6	320.6	242.7		270.2		

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

(2) Excludes Gold.

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued

(1935-39 = 100)

		- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued						
Date		Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gasoline	Coal Oil	Asphalt	Asphalt Shingles	Sulphur
1956	Average ...	206.7	167.6	138.5	136.2	184.1	159.1	205.6
1956	May	201.5	166.9	137.8	136.2	183.0	148.8	207.7
	June	201.5	166.9	137.8	136.2	183.0	163.7	206.4
	July	201.5	168.1	139.2	136.2	184.8	163.7	205.7
	Aug.	201.5	168.1	139.2	136.2	184.8	163.7	205.2
	Sept.	217.0	168.1	139.2	136.2	184.8	163.7	204.2
	Oct.	217.0	168.1	139.2	136.2	184.8	163.7	204.0
	Nov.	217.0	168.1	139.2	136.2	184.8	163.7	201.6
	Dec.	217.0	168.1	139.2	136.2	184.8	163.7	205.8
1957	Jan.	217.0	170.9	139.2	136.2	185.1	163.7	206.0
	Feb.	217.0	175.6	144.3	140.2	215.1	163.7	205.6
	Mar.	217.0	175.7	144.3	140.2	215.1	168.7	205.1
	Apr.	217.0	175.7	144.3	140.2	215.1	168.7	205.9
	May.	217.0	175.6	144.0	140.2	215.1	168.7	204.9
	June	217.0	176.0	144.0	140.2	215.1	168.7	204.3
	July	217.0	175.6	144.0	138.4	215.1	168.7	204.1
	Aug.	217.0	175.6	143.9	138.2	215.1	168.7	203.0
	Sept.	217.0	174.4	144.2	138.1	215.1	168.7	212.0
	Oct.	217.0	174.4	144.2	137.4	215.1	168.7	200.1
	Nov.	217.0	172.3	139.6	137.4	215.1	168.7	199.1
	Dec.	217.0	172.3	139.5	137.4	215.1	168.7	202.1

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

		Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Build- ing Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1956	Average ...	131.3	206.9	154.5	144.1	165.2	200.2	288.6
1956	May	130.5	205.2	153.9	143.4	158.2	199.7	287.9
	June	130.5	205.2	153.9	143.4	158.2	199.7	289.2
	July	133.4	208.6	155.1	143.4	158.2	199.7	289.2
	Aug.	133.4	208.6	155.1	143.4	159.8	194.4	289.2
	Sept.	133.4	208.6	155.1	143.4	159.8	194.4	289.2
	Oct.	133.4	210.5	155.1	143.4	159.8	205.1	289.2
	Nov.	133.4	210.5	155.1	143.4	159.8	205.1	289.2
	Dec.	133.4	210.5	155.1	145.7	159.8	205.1	289.2
1957	Jan.	132.3	210.5	158.9	145.7	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Feb.	132.3	210.5	158.9	150.9	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Mar.	132.3	210.5	158.9	150.9	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Apr.	132.3	210.5	158.9	148.7	164.8	205.1	289.2
	May.	135.4	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	June	136.2	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	July	136.2	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Aug.	136.2	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Sept.	136.2	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Oct.	136.2	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Nov.	136.2	211.2	158.9	150.5	164.8	205.1	289.2
	Dec.	136.2	211.2	158.9	151.8	164.8	205.1	302.6

TABLE 3. - 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
1956 Average ...	180.1	146.0	176.4	191.6	183.8	289.7
1956 May	181.2	146.0	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
June	181.1	146.0	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
July	181.0	145.7	178.8	191.6	183.8	289.7
Aug.	180.6	145.8	178.8	191.6	183.8	289.7
Sept.	180.1	145.8	171.8	191.6	183.8	289.7
Oct.	179.7	147.1	171.8	191.6	183.8	289.7
Nov.	179.7	146.9	171.8	191.6	183.8	289.7
Dec.	180.7	146.9	171.8	191.6	183.8	289.7
1957 Jan.	181.8	148.0	164.6	191.6	189.1	292.6
Feb.	182.5	147.2	164.6	191.6	204.9	292.6
Mar.	182.1	147.3	164.6	191.6	204.9	292.6
Apr.	182.2	147.3	168.2	191.6	204.9	292.6
May.	182.4	147.3	168.2	191.6	204.9	294.5
June	181.9	147.0	167.2	191.6	204.9	292.3
July	182.9	147.0	167.2	191.6	204.9	292.3
Aug.	182.8	147.5	167.2	191.6	204.9	292.3
Sept.	182.6	147.5	167.2	191.6	204.9	272.4
Oct.	182.5	147.3	167.2	191.6	204.9	272.4
Nov.	182.5	147.3	167.2	191.6	204.9	273.5
Dec.	182.9	147.3	167.2	19	204.9	273.5

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Ex- plosives	Paint, Prepared	Fertil- izer Materials	Indus- trial Gases	Soap
1956 Average ...	143.6	204.0	159.7	136.1	201.1
1956 May	143.6	206.9	163.0	138.2	200.6
June	143.6	206.9	163.0	139.6	200.6
July	143.6	206.9	161.9	139.7	200.6
Aug.	143.6	206.9	159.1	138.2	200.6
Sept.	143.6	206.9	159.0	139.1	200.6
Oct.	143.6	206.9	155.5	134.4	200.6
Nov.	143.6	206.9	155.6	134.0	200.6
Dec.	143.6	206.9	155.8	143.6	206.6
1957 Jan.	143.6	206.9	155.6	134.0	206.6
Feb.	143.6	206.9	156.0	143.6	206.6
Mar.	143.6	206.9	157.6	143.3	206.6
Apr.	143.6	206.9	156.5	143.0	206.6
May.	143.6	206.9	156.5	146.1	210.6
June	143.6	206.9	156.5	145.8	210.6
July	143.6	214.9	158.2	146.7	210.6
Aug.	143.6	214.9	158.2	146.0	210.6
Sept.	143.6	214.9	158.2	149.5	210.6
Oct.	143.6	214.9	158.2	147.4	210.6
Nov.	143.6	214.9	158.2	145.2	210.6
Dec.	143.6	214.9	158.2	144.8	214.5

TABLE 4. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian Funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly Average 1956	December 1956	November 1957	December 1957
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern	bu.	1.730	1.691	1.605	1.634
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.859	.821	.746	.749
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.057	1.019	.897	.904
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.252	1.264	1.076	1.043
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	100-lb. bag.	5.800	5.800	5.800	5.800
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal	cwt.	7.299	8.455	8.662	8.564
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.742	1.650	1.770	1.410
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.672	.668	.565	.580
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75-lb. bag.	2.310	2.000	1.462	1.425
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.408	19.880	17.670	18.790
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	25.985	30.470	25.990	27.830
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.153	.145	.142	.148
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.630	.640	.640	.640
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b. Ontario Factory	sq. ft.	.370	.380	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal	lb.	.586	.594	.629	.637
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.578	.464	.558	.493
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 1", New York	lb.	-	.332	.347	.357
COTTON YARN, 10's, white	lb.	.712	.710	.690	.690
RAYON YARN, 36 filament, 150 denier	lb.	.798	.800	.890	.890
WOOL, Raw, Eastern Domestic, regular, Low Medium staple, greasy	lb.	.492	.510	.480	.480
WOOL, Raw, Australian, 64's, clean	lb.	1.438	1.540	1.360	1.360
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Mill, in Canadian funds (Southern Quebec)	ton	113.110	110.392	112.343	114.061
PINE, No. 1 and 2 common, 1"x8", 8'-16'	M bd. ft.	175.833	180.000	180.000	180.000
SPRUCE, Merchantable, 1"x6"-7"	M bd. ft.	89.042	89.500	84.500	84.500
PIG IRON, Foundry 2/	gr. ton	-	67.040	65.000	65.000
SCRAP IRON, No. 1	gr. ton	50.583	51.000	47.000	47.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	41.355	34.750	25.875	26.188
LEAD, Pig, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	15.514	15.500	12.750	12.250
TIN INGOTS, 99.8%	lb.	1.011	1.020	.891	.926
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	14.844	14.850	10.600	10.600
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.419	21.850	21.560	22.120
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Montreal	gal.	.224	.226	.226	.226
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.226	.226	.228	.228
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Winnipeg	gal.	.224	.224	.226	.211
CEMENT, Portland, Toronto	bbl.	3.390	3.410	3.440	3.440
CEMENT, Portland, Calgary	bbl.	3.160	3.180	3.040	3.040
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb.sq.	8.943	9.200	9.480	9.480
SODA ASH, 58% light	cwt.	-	2.320	2.450	2.450
SULPHURIC ACID, 66°Baume	ton	25.350	25.350	25.350	25.350

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

2/ Previous to July 1957 quotations referred to malleable.

TABLE 5. - 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 Materials	Paint and Glass	Plumbing and Heat- ing Equip- ment	Electrical Equip- ment and Fix- tures	Other Mate- rials
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
1955	124.3	283.4	149.4	209.5	409.4	125.3	244.5	219.7	207.2	229.2	230.3
1956	128.5	292.9	149.7	218.8	420.2	130.8	259.6	226.9	217.9	243.7	243.7
<u>1956</u>											
Jan.	127.1	289.9	149.6	209.3	416.7	127.3	261.2	228.0	214.1	248.4	238.8
Feb.	127.1	289.9	149.6	209.3	416.6	127.3	261.2	226.3	214.6	248.4	238.8
Mar.	127.9	291.6	149.6	216.8	419.4	127.3	254.3	226.3	214.6	256.0	241.0
Apr.	128.8	293.7	149.6	216.8	423.4	130.0	253.9	228.0	214.6	256.4	241.0
May	129.1	294.4	149.3	221.3	424.6	130.0	253.9	228.0	214.6	256.3	241.0
June	129.0	294.1	149.3	221.3	423.2	130.6	264.8	226.7	214.6	255.6	241.0
July	129.0	294.2	149.8	221.3	423.6	132.9	264.8	226.7	216.1	238.3	241.0
Aug.	129.0	294.2	149.8	221.3	421.5	132.9	264.8	226.7	219.9	238.3	244.0
Sept.	128.7	293.5	149.8	221.3	418.8	132.9	264.8	226.7	221.5	237.9	248.5
Oct.	128.8	293.6	149.8	222.2	418.4	132.9	261.6	226.7	223.0	237.1	248.5
Nov.	128.7	293.4	149.8	222.2	418.8	132.9	255.2	226.7	223.8	225.9	250.4
Dec.	128.4	292.7	150.4	222.2	417.6	132.9	255.2	225.8	223.0	225.4	250.4
<u>1957</u>											
Jan.	128.6	293.3	152.8	222.2	418.5	132.9	255.2	225.6	223.0	225.1	250.4
Feb.	128.7	293.4	153.8	225.6	417.1	132.9	255.2	224.3	225.6	218.9	256.5
Mar.	128.9	293.8	153.8	223.7	418.4	132.9	258.7	223.9	225.6	213.9	256.5
Apr.	128.8	293.6	153.3	223.5	418.1	134.0	255.5	223.9	225.6	213.9	255.6
May	129.2	294.5	153.7	223.5	418.5	138.7	255.5	223.9	227.2	213.9	254.1
June	129.1	294.3	153.7	223.5	418.0	138.7	255.5	223.9	227.5	213.6	253.3
July	129.0	294.1	153.7	223.5	417.3	138.7	255.5	228.0	229.1	206.2	252.6
Aug.	128.6	293.3	153.7	223.5	416.0	138.7	252.3	226.3	229.1	203.8	252.6
Sept.	128.3	292.5	153.7	223.5	414.5	138.7	252.3	226.3	228.8	200.2	254.0
Oct.	127.9	291.5	153.7	223.5	412.0	138.7	252.3	226.3	228.8	201.3	254.0
Nov.	126.6	288.6	153.7	223.5	406.2	138.7	245.9	226.3	227.5	200.5	254.0
Dec.	126.5	288.5	154.0	223.5	405.9	138.7	245.9	226.3	227.5	201.3	254.0

* Arithmetically converted to base 1949=100, for comparability with Price Indexes of Non-residential Building Materials shown in Table 6.

TABLE 6. - 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
1955	123.4	120.3	127.0	120.3	127.6	118.0	121.3
1956	128.0	117.0	130.3	120.8	131.5	123.4	123.6
1956 June	127.5	116.1	131.0	122.0	132.6	122.4	125.8
July	127.2	116.7	131.2	119.3	132.8	122.3	123.0
Aug.	129.4	116.7	130.2	123.1	132.3	124.3	123.0
Sept.	129.2	116.7	130.2	120.4	131.2	124.8	120.5
Oct.	129.8	117.8	132.2	121.0	130.9	125.2	122.1
Nov.	129.5	117.8	132.2	120.1	130.6	125.2	120.2
Dec.	129.7	120.2	132.2	119.7	129.9	125.1	120.2
1957 Jan.	130.0	120.9	133.4	119.7	129.6	125.7	120.1
Feb.	130.1	121.2	133.4	120.0	129.1	126.0	119.1
Mar.	130.1	121.7	133.4	120.0	129.4	125.6	119.5
Apr.	130.1	121.6	133.4	119.8	129.3	125.6	119.5
May	130.2	121.3	133.4	119.8	129.6	125.3	119.5
June	129.5	118.5	134.2	117.2	129.7	123.6	119.4
July	130.6	118.5	134.3	116.5	129.7	124.3	118.2
Aug.	130.4	118.1	134.3	118.3	129.1	124.2	117.8
Sept.	130.2	118.1	134.3	117.5	128.4	124.0	116.9
Oct.	130.2	118.1	134.6	117.2	127.6	124.1	117.0
Nov.	130.0	118.1	134.6	117.1	126.3	123.7	117.1
Dec.	130.4	120.4	134.6	117.1	126.1	123.7	118.5
		Steel and Metal Work	Hard-ware	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
1955		129.9	132.6	108.1	127.3	133.3	97.4
1956		139.0	145.4	112.7	137.3	141.6	93.6
1956 June		135.7	144.0	112.5	137.8	141.7	92.9
July		135.6	144.0	114.8	137.8	141.7	93.0
Aug.		144.0	144.6	114.8	139.1	141.7	93.0
Sept.		144.1	149.6	114.8	139.1	142.9	93.0
Oct.		144.1	150.0	114.8	139.1	142.9	93.0
Nov.		144.0	150.5	114.8	139.1	142.8	93.0
Dec.		144.2	150.8	114.8	139.2	142.8	93.0
1957 Jan.		144.3	150.8	114.7	139.2	142.8	94.0
Feb.		144.8	150.8	114.1	141.0	142.8	94.0
Mar.		144.8	150.8	114.1	141.0	143.6	94.0
Apr.		144.8	151.6	114.6	140.9	143.6	94.0
May		145.1	151.6	116.5	140.3	143.6	94.0
June		145.1	151.6	116.6	139.9	143.6	94.0
July		150.5	151.6	116.6	139.6	145.2	93.7
Aug.		150.5	151.9	115.8	139.6	145.1	93.7
Sept.		150.5	152.8	115.8	139.6	145.1	93.7
Oct.		150.5	152.8	115.8	139.6	145.1	93.7
Nov.		150.5	152.8	115.8	139.6	145.2	93.7
Dec.		150.6	154.1	115.8	139.6	145.2	93.7

TABLE 7. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

(1949 = 100)

	Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House- hold Opera- tion	Other Commod- ities & Services
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
1956	118.1	113.4	132.5	108.6	117.1	120.9
1957	121.9	118.6	134.9	108.5	119.6	126.1
<u>1955</u> January	116.4	112.1	128.4	108.1	117.1	118.2
February	116.3	111.5	128.5	108.1	117.1	118.3
March	116.0	110.7	128.6	108.0	117.0	118.3
April	116.1	111.0	128.7	107.9	116.9	118.2
May	116.4	112.3	128.8	107.9	116.4	118.3
June	115.9	111.0	129.2	107.8	116.1	117.8
July	116.0	111.5	129.6	107.8	115.8	117.7
August	116.4	112.4	129.8	107.8	115.8	118.0
September	116.8	113.7	130.0	107.8	115.9	117.9
October	116.9	113.5	130.2	107.8	116.1	118.1
November	116.9	113.0	130.6	107.9	116.5	118.3
December	116.9	112.4	131.0	108.5	116.6	118.3
<u>1956</u> January	116.8	111.5	131.3	108.6	116.5	119.0
February	116.4	109.9	131.5	108.6	116.7	119.3
March	116.4	109.1	131.6	108.7	116.8	119.9
April	116.6	109.7	131.9	108.7	116.6	120.1
May	116.6	109.3	132.1	108.8	116.5	120.5
June	117.8	112.5	132.6	108.6	116.7	120.6
July	118.5	114.4	132.7	108.6	116.7	121.1
August	119.1	115.9	133.0	108.4	116.8	121.3
September	119.0	115.5	133.1	108.4	117.1	121.4
October	119.8	117.4	133.3	108.5	117.7	121.6
November	120.3	117.9	133.4	108.4	118.1	122.8
December	120.4	117.5	133.5	108.6	118.6	122.9
<u>1957</u> January	120.3	117.1	133.6	107.6	119.0	123.1
February	120.5	117.2	133.8	107.4	119.1	123.8
March	120.5	116.4	134.0	108.2	119.5	124.2
April	120.9	116.7	134.0	108.5	119.4	125.1
May	121.1	116.7	134.2	108.5	119.2	126.3
June	121.6	117.7	134.8	108.4	119.1	126.5
July	121.9	118.2	135.1	108.4	119.6	126.5
August	122.6	120.2	135.3	108.2	119.7	126.9
September	123.3	121.9	135.6	108.3	119.8	127.1
October	123.4	121.7	135.9	108.7	120.1	127.4
November	123.3	120.2	136.3	109.8	120.5	127.7
December	123.1	118.8	136.7	109.9	120.6	128.4

TABLE 8. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES - MAIN GROUPS AND SELECTED COMPONENTS

(1949 = 100)

	1955	1956	1957	December 1955	December 1956	October 1957	November 1957	December 1957
<u>Total Index</u>	116.4	118.1	121.9	116.9	120.4	123.4	123.3	123.1
<u>Food</u>	112.1	113.4	118.6	112.4	117.5	121.7	120.2	118.8
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	111.9	112.1	118.1	111.6	114.6	121.5	121.6	122.0
Cereal Products	122.0	125.0	132.4	122.1	129.8	133.0	133.3	133.0
Miscellaneous Groceries	123.1	121.8	126.9	122.5	125.0	124.8	124.1	123.6
<u>Shelter</u>	129.4	132.5	134.9	131.0	133.5	135.9	136.3	136.7
Rent	133.3	135.6	138.0	134.4	136.7	138.9	139.1	139.4
Home-Ownership	124.4	128.4	130.8	126.5	129.2	131.9	132.5	133.1
<u>Clothing</u>	108.0	108.6	108.5	108.5	108.6	108.7	109.8	109.9
Men's Wear	113.0	113.4	115.6	112.9	113.9	116.0	116.4	116.5
Women's Wear	98.4	98.9	96.4	99.5	98.0	96.8	98.5	98.6
Children's Wear	106.2	105.9	104.8	105.6	105.9	104.4	106.1	106.1
Footwear	127.3	129.6	131.9	128.4	131.2	132.1	132.5	132.6
Piece Goods	108.4	108.5	111.0	108.2	109.1	109.9	111.5	111.5
<u>Household Operation</u>	116.4	117.1	119.6	116.6	118.6	120.1	120.5	120.6
Fuel	112.7	114.8	118.9	114.4	117.6	118.1	119.4	119.7
Electricity	116.0	115.6	115.2	115.9	115.6	114.9	114.9	114.9
Home Furnishings	113.7	113.2	115.3	112.9	114.4	116.0	116.3	116.3
Furniture	115.9	116.2	119.5	115.5	117.9	119.8	120.4	120.3
Utensils and Equipment	123.1	125.5	130.4	124.0	128.1	131.3	131.8	131.9
Supplies and Services	122.9	124.2	127.1	123.2	125.7	128.3	128.3	128.5
Supplies	116.3	117.2	119.2	116.5	118.0	121.1	120.9	121.1
Services	127.4	129.1	132.5	127.8	130.9	133.3	133.3	133.5
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	118.1	120.9	126.1	118.3	122.9	127.4	127.7	128.4
Transportation	118.5	123.3	129.9	117.8	126.5	131.0	130.2	132.6
Automobile Operation	111.0	112.1	119.3	109.1	115.6	119.3	117.8	121.7
Recreation	122.6	125.3	129.8	123.7	127.0	131.2	132.4	132.4
Health Care	130.4	134.2	142.6	131.4	136.0	145.8	145.8	145.8
Drugs	111.0	111.7	114.5	111.2	112.3	115.4	115.7	115.7
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	107.4	107.7	109.4	107.5	108.3	109.6	110.4	110.4
Personal Care	118.0	120.5	127.8	118.1	124.4	128.9	131.1	131.4
Personal Supplies	112.7	112.4	116.7	111.7	113.3	118.1	118.7	119.3

TABLE 9. - AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES FOR CANADA - SELECTED FOOD ITEMS (8)

Item	Unit	1955	1956	1957	Dec. 1955	Dec. 1956	Oct. 1957	Nov. 1957	Dec. 1957	Dec. 1957
										Relative Price 1949=100
Beef -										
Sirloin steak	1b.	80.0	81.6	84.3	80.0	82.1	84.8	81.8	83.5	118.6
Round steak	1b.	73.6	75.2	77.9	73.6	76.2	78.4	75.2	77.1	115.0
Prime rib roast (1)	1b.	72.2	73.2	75.9	72.1	75.4	76.0	74.6	75.1	111.9
Blade roast (2)	1b.	49.2	49.2	52.0	49.2	50.9	52.6	50.9	51.9	107.3
Stewing beef	1b.	49.3	49.5	52.6	49.6	51.6	53.0	52.5	53.1	113.9
Hamburg	1b.	38.0	37.1	37.9	37.7	36.9	38.3	38.0	38.4	101.4
Pork -										
Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh	1b.	51.6	51.0	60.5	49.5	58.3	61.6	56.6	56.1	101.5 ⁽³⁾
Rip chops, fresh	1b.	61.5	64.4	74.6	58.6	73.4	74.0	69.9	71.0	124.8 ⁽⁴⁾
Ham, smoked, boneless, to be cooked (6)	1b.	84.4	85.0	96.5	81.2	94.2	95.7	86.2	89.4	105.2 ⁽⁵⁾
Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off	1/2 lb.	38.7	39.0	50.0	37.5	48.3	54.2	49.4	45.8	108.0
Sausage, pure pork	1b.	50.8	50.6	56.6	50.1	52.6	57.9	56.3	56.1	113.6
Other Meats -										
Veal, loin chops, rib end	1b.	75.9	76.9	79.6	76.6	78.5	79.2	78.9	79.6	107.2
Lamb, leg roast	1b.	75.4	76.7	79.2	72.7	74.4	75.9	73.4	76.6	106.4
Bologna, sliced	1b.	34.0	33.6	36.8	33.6	33.7	38.4	38.7	38.5	93.3
Fish -										
Salmon, canned, fancy pink	8 oz.	26.2	27.7	30.2	27.1	29.6	30.3	30.4	30.4	122.8
Cod fillets, frozen (7)	1b.	33.0	32.5	33.0	32.3	32.9	33.3	33.3	33.6	103.4 ⁽⁵⁾
Poultry -										
Chicken, grade A eviscerated (1 1/2 - 3 lb.)(7)	1b.	56.6	52.2	51.4	56.4	48.9	51.3	48.7	49.2	94.3 ⁽⁵⁾
Fruits -										
Bananas, yellow	1b.	20.0	20.1	20.7	19.9	20.6	21.1	21.4	19.8	105.5
Oranges, California, medium size (138's)	doz.	38.1	42.5	44.1	44.2	42.8	44.9	48.9	46.1	130.9
Apples, volume seller	1b.	14.1	13.3	15.7	10.1	13.2	12.8	12.3	13.4	126.0
Grapefruit, white, 96's	1/2 doz.	47.0	49.9	48.4	44.0	47.9	49.9	47.0	45.0	117.0
Peaches, canned, choice, halves	15 oz.	21.2	21.5	23.8	21.1	23.3	23.3	23.1	23.1	111.8
Pears, canned, choice	15 oz.	20.3	19.9	20.6	20.2	20.1	20.6	20.6	20.6	95.6
Orange juice, unsweetened	20 oz.	16.9	18.2	17.4	17.5	18.8	16.6	16.5	16.5	78.3
Apple juice, choice	20 oz.	14.7	13.7	15.0	13.6	14.5	15.1	14.7	14.7	127.3
Raisins, California and Australia	1b.	23.1	23.3	24.9	23.1	24.1	25.4	25.5	25.8	146.3
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg.	15 oz.	47.2	46.8	44.6	47.4	46.1	43.3	43.3	43.0	91.9 ⁽⁵⁾

1 - Includes cuts with bone-in and boned and rolled.

2 - Includes cuts with blade-in and blade removed.

3 - Based on price movement for whole Shoulder Roast, prior to Jan. 1955.

4 - Based on price movement for Loin Chops, prior to Jan. 1955.

5 - 1956=100

6 - Average prices based on chain store prices in 7 cities.

7 - Average prices based on chain store prices in 11 cities.

8 - For detailed explanations on methods of pricing, calculation techniques, coverage and price collection, refer to "Prices and Price Indexes, October 1957". Tear sheets of this material are available on request.

TABLE 9. - AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES FOR CANADA - SELECTED FOOD ITEMS - Concluded

Item	Unit	1955	1956	1957	Dec.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	
					1955	1956	1957	1957	1957	1957	1957
											Relative
											1949=100
Vegetables -											
Potatoes, No. 1 table	10 lb.	46.8	49.7	42.1	34.7	42.8	38.3	38.5	39.6	113.7	
Tomatoes, fresh	lb.	23.5	27.5	25.3	25.3	31.6	21.0	24.7	29.8	127.5	
Lettuce, head, fresh	lb.	20.6	20.0	21.1	22.9	31.4	19.6	23.5	18.4	119.7	
Carrots	lb.	11.5	11.3	11.8	11.0	10.3	11.0	10.8	11.5	153.8	
Celery stalks, green	lb.	16.2	15.4	17.6	17.6	18.1	13.3	14.7	16.7	99.0	
Cabbage	lb.	8.2	8.0	9.0	6.6	6.7	7.0	6.9	7.4	96.4	
Onions, No. 1, cooking	lb.	8.5	9.9	10.0	7.4	8.5	8.3	8.1	8.4	114.1	
Turnips, Canada No. 1	lb.	6.2	6.5	6.4	5.6	5.6	6.5	6.3	6.3	126.1	
Tomatoes, canned, choice	28 oz.	26.3	27.3	29.1	25.2	30.1	28.1	27.0	26.5	132.0	
Peas, canned, choice	15 oz.	17.2	16.8	17.1	16.7	17.6	16.6	16.7	16.7	114.6	
Corn, canned, cream, choice	20 oz.	19.0	18.8	20.7	18.7	19.9	20.8	20.7	20.8	108.9	
Beans, with pork and tomato sauce	15 oz.	16.8	17.3	17.6	17.2	17.5	17.7	17.7	17.8	128.5	
Soup, vegetable	10 oz.	13.6	13.6	13.9	13.6	13.6	14.3	14.3	14.3	117.5	
Green peas, frozen fancy, pkg. .	12 oz.	25.6	25.2	23.8	25.4	25.0	23.1	23.0	22.9	90.9 ⁽⁵⁾	
Dairy Products -											
Milk, fresh	qt.	21.1	21.2	22.5	21.1	21.8	23.1	23.1	23.2	130.3	
Milk, evaporated	16 oz.	15.1	14.8	15.7	14.9	14.8	16.1	16.2	16.2	109.3	
Butter, creamery, first grade ..	lb.	64.1	63.5	65.7	63.6	64.1	68.3	68.3	68.4	105.9	
Cheese, plain, processed	1/2 lb.	32.9	33.7	35.6	32.9	34.7	35.8	35.9	35.9	123.0	
Cereal Products -											
Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced	lb.	12.8	13.3	14.3	12.8	14.0	14.3	14.3	14.2	140.8	
Flour, white, all purpose	lb.	7.4	7.6	7.9	7.4	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	113.3	
Cake mix, white, only liquid to be added, pkg.....	14-16 oz.	33.4	32.9	33.2	33.0	33.0	33.5	33.1	33.1	104.1	
Corn flakes, pkg.	8 oz.	17.4	17.4	18.3	17.4	17.4	19.1	19.3	19.4	137.3	
Macaroni, dry, pkg.	lb.	17.1	17.2	17.5	17.2	17.4	17.6	18.0	18.1	131.7	
Fats -											
Margarine	lb.	33.7	33.1	33.9	32.9	34.3	33.6	33.3	33.1	102.8	
Shortening	lb.	29.6	30.6	32.7	29.9	31.3	32.7	32.9	33.1	102.5	
Lard, pure	lb.	22.4	21.8	25.6	21.9	24.5	25.5	25.4	25.2	107.4	
Eggs -											
Eggs, fresh, grade A large	doz.	61.5	63.2	56.0	69.7	54.7	64.5	64.2	57.0	92.7	
Miscellaneous Groceries -											
Sugar, granulated	lb.	9.2	9.3	12.3	9.1	10.2	12.1	11.9	11.7	126.8	
Jam, Strawberry, 2 lb. jar (24 fl.oz.) with pectin and pure	lb.	25.6	25.8	28.0	25.4	27.1	27.9	27.8	27.6	119.0	
Peanut butter, plain, jar	16 oz.	39.2	38.9	38.6	39.1	38.7	38.7	38.7	38.8	106.9	
Pickles, sweet, mixed, jar	16 oz.	34.1	34.1	35.0	34.0	34.5	35.0	35.0	35.0	125.9	
Infant's food, vegetable, tin ..	5 oz.	9.8	9.7	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.1	10.2	10.3	124.1	
Tea, black, pkg.	1/2 lb.	63.5	62.8	61.6	63.3	62.5	61.0	60.8	60.8	124.0	
Tea bags, orange pekoe, pkg. ...	60-bag	N.A.	N.A.	82.3	N.A.	81.4	81.6	81.5	81.2	N.A.	
Coffee, medium quality, pkg. ...	lb.	108.1	112.9	102.6	108.4	117.3	94.1	92.8	92.2	148.2	
Coffee, instant, dried, jar	6 oz.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	146.5	138.9	136.9	N.A.	
Jelly powders, flavoured, pkg. .	3 oz.	9.8	9.7	10.2	9.7	9.7	10.1	10.0	10.0	103.1	

TABLE 10. - 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
	1949=100									
	June 1951=100									
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
1956	106.8	116.1	118.8	118.4	119.2	120.6	117.2	115.8	115.7	119.6
1957	109.4	119.8	122.6	121.8	123.2	125.2	120.0	119.1	118.8	122.6
<u>1955</u> January	102.6	114.3	117.4	117.1	117.0	118.9	115.5	113.9	114.6	118.4
February	102.7	114.6	117.6	117.1	117.0	118.7	115.4	113.8	114.5	118.3
March	102.9	114.5	117.6	116.7	116.8	118.2	115.2	113.7	114.2	117.9
April	103.5	114.6	117.6	116.7	116.9	118.4	115.3	113.9	114.2	117.2
May	105.0	115.4	118.1	117.0	117.3	118.9	115.6	114.4	114.2	117.2
June	104.3	114.6	117.3	116.3	116.9	118.3	115.0	114.3	113.8	116.8
July	104.5	114.7	117.3	116.7	117.0	118.7	115.5	114.3	114.1	116.5
August	105.8	115.1	117.8	116.8	117.3	118.5	116.1	115.1	114.6	116.8
September	105.1	115.2	118.1	117.1	117.5	119.2	116.5	115.4	115.2	118.1
October	104.8	114.9	117.8	117.0	117.7	119.4	116.6	115.5	115.2	118.5
November	104.6	114.9	117.6	117.1	117.7	119.0	116.9	115.6	115.1	118.6
December	104.5	114.7	117.7	116.7	117.8	118.9	116.9	115.7	115.1	120.3
<u>1956</u> January	104.7	114.5	117.4	117.4	117.5	118.8	116.8	115.2	114.8	120.0
February	104.9	114.1	117.1	117.0	117.3	118.3	116.5	114.7	114.1	118.5
March	105.0	114.3	117.4	116.7	117.3	118.2	116.8	114.7	114.3	118.6
April	105.9	114.8	117.6	116.7	117.7	118.7	116.5	114.9	114.6	118.6
May	106.6	114.7	117.5	116.6	117.7	119.1	116.1	114.6	114.3	117.7
June	107.6	115.6	118.2	118.1	118.8	120.4	116.6	115.2	114.9	118.4
July	108.1	116.0	118.7	119.1	119.4	121.5	117.6	115.6	115.7	119.3
August	110.2	117.6	120.3	118.9	120.4	122.0	117.0	116.2	116.1	119.6
September	107.3	117.2	119.6	118.8	120.0	121.7	117.5	116.8	116.8	120.5
October	106.9	117.7	120.0	119.9	120.9	122.5	118.1	117.2	117.5	121.2
November	107.0	118.0	120.4	120.9	121.5	123.1	118.4	117.2	117.7	121.5
December	107.5	118.5	121.1	120.7	121.6	123.1	118.4	117.1	117.4	121.7
<u>1957</u> January	107.7	118.6	121.2	120.6	121.4	123.1	118.8	117.1	117.2	122.1
February	108.5	118.8	122.1	120.5	121.6	123.4	118.7	117.6	117.4	122.5
March	108.8	118.7	122.1	120.3	121.6	123.5	118.4	117.8	117.4	122.4
April	108.7	119.4	122.1	120.5	122.4	124.2	119.2	117.9	117.7	122.2
May	109.3	119.1	121.9	120.7	122.8	125.0	119.2	117.9	118.1	122.0
June	109.5	119.1	122.0	121.5	123.2	125.2	119.6	118.8	118.4	121.5
July	109.6	119.3	122.4	122.0	123.4	125.5	120.0	119.3	119.1	121.7
August	110.5	120.6	123.3	122.2	124.0	125.9	120.7	120.2	119.8	122.5
September	110.2	120.9	123.5	122.8	124.7	126.8	121.2	121.1	120.5	123.5
October	109.9	120.6	123.3	123.3	125.0	126.7	120.9	121.0	120.6	123.8
November	109.8	121.2	123.4	123.8	124.4	126.4	121.2	120.2	119.9	123.6
December	109.8	121.1	123.4	123.4	124.2	126.1	121.6	120.1	120.0	123.9

TABLE 10. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Continued

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(1949 = 100)

	St. John's Nfld. 1.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saskatoon- Regina	Edmonton- Calgary	Van- couver	
Food Index											
<u>1955</u>	January	101.1	107.0	112.9	115.1	111.2	110.6	110.8	110.1	110.0	111.8
	February	101.4	106.8	112.6	115.4	111.0	109.6	110.5	109.7	109.4	111.6
	March	101.5	106.6	112.3	114.2	110.2	108.8	109.7	109.2	108.5	110.0
	April	102.1	106.5	112.2	114.0	110.7	109.6	110.1	109.6	108.4	109.4
	May	106.1	108.8	113.7	114.8	111.2	111.1	110.9	109.5	108.5	109.5
	June	103.9	106.2	111.0	112.7	110.2	109.9	109.9	109.6	108.0	108.6
	July	103.5	106.3	110.7	114.5	110.7	111.2	110.9	110.1	109.0	109.3
	August	105.2	107.6	112.7	114.7	111.4	110.5	111.6	112.7	110.7	110.1
	September	102.8	107.6	113.7	115.3	112.0	112.8	112.7	113.6	112.5	113.5
	October	101.3	106.5	112.0	114.9	112.0	112.8	112.8	114.2	112.3	114.8
	November	100.7	106.3	110.8	115.3	110.9	111.1	113.7	113.9	111.9	114.7
	December	100.5	105.7	110.9	113.9	110.5	110.2	113.5	113.7	111.5	115.9
<u>1956</u>	January	101.0	104.8	109.6	113.4	109.6	109.9	112.8	111.9	110.6	114.9
	February	101.0	103.6	108.8	111.9	107.6	107.7	111.5	110.2	107.7	111.4
	March	101.1	103.3	108.7	111.4	107.0	106.9	111.6	109.7	107.3	111.4
	April	102.2	105.2	109.8	111.5	107.9	107.6	110.7	110.6	107.6	111.8
	May	103.1	104.3	108.6	111.0	107.2	107.7	109.4	109.5	106.5	111.1
	June	106.1	106.9	110.1	114.7	111.1	112.0	110.8	111.6	108.1	111.9
	July	107.2	107.6	112.2	117.4	112.9	114.1	114.0	113.0	111.1	113.3
	August	113.8	112.4	117.4	116.9	115.2	115.6	111.8	114.3	112.7	114.8
	September	104.9	109.9	114.1	116.4	114.2	114.6	112.9	115.8	114.0	116.6
	October	102.7	111.2	115.6	119.2	116.2	116.6	114.9	117.0	115.9	118.5
	November	102.9	111.8	115.4	120.9	117.0	117.5	114.9	116.6	115.3	118.4
	December	104.1	112.8	116.7	120.2	116.9	117.2	114.1	114.6	114.2	118.4
<u>1957</u>	January	104.7	112.2	116.8	120.5	115.7	116.4	115.2	114.1	113.5	119.7
	February	105.6	112.3	117.2	120.2	116.1	116.3	114.9	114.6	113.6	119.2
	March	106.2	111.4	116.6	119.3	115.4	115.4	113.7	114.1	113.2	117.6
	April	105.8	112.5	115.6	118.8	116.0	116.3	114.6	113.9	113.0	118.0
	May	107.2	111.2	114.8	118.7	115.6	116.8	114.0	113.4	113.0	117.5
	June	107.7	110.5	114.6	120.3	117.0	117.5	115.1	115.2	113.9	116.5
	July	108.1	110.9	115.1	121.3	117.1	118.3	116.2	116.6	115.8	116.8
	August	110.6	115.0	118.9	121.6	119.2	119.5	118.5	119.8	117.7	118.7
	September	109.4	115.3	119.1	123.6	121.5	121.6	119.6	122.2	119.5	121.3
	October	108.1	114.6	118.1	124.1	121.3	120.9	117.9	121.1	119.2	121.3
	November	107.7	115.0	118.0	124.3	118.8	118.6	117.8	118.0	116.9	119.5
	December	107.7	113.9	117.3	122.4	117.3	116.9	118.3	116.9	115.7	118.5
Shelter Index											
<u>1956</u>	July	109.8	126.3	130.1	137.8	137.9	148.9	127.6	118.1	121.2	128.7
	August	110.1	126.6	130.1	137.9	138.9	148.9	127.7	118.1	121.2	128.9
	September	110.1	126.8	130.1	138.0	138.9	148.9	127.8	118.1	121.2	128.9
	October	110.1	126.8	130.3	138.2	139.9	149.0	128.2	118.1	121.2	128.9
	November	110.1	127.1	130.6	138.3	140.4	149.2	128.4	118.1	121.2	129.3
	December	110.1	127.3	131.3	138.4	140.5	149.3	128.4	118.7	121.2	129.4
<u>1957</u>	January	110.1	127.4	131.3	138.6	140.5	149.6	128.4	118.9	121.2	129.5
	February	110.3	127.8	131.5	138.6	140.5	149.6	128.5	118.9	121.2	129.9
	March	110.4	127.8	131.7	138.7	140.5	149.7	128.6	118.9	121.2	130.1
	April	110.4	128.1	131.7	138.7	141.2	149.8	128.9	118.9	121.2	130.3
	May	110.5	128.1	131.9	138.8	141.2	150.1	128.9	118.9	121.2	130.7
	June	110.5	128.8	132.3	140.0	141.6	150.2	128.9	118.9	121.2	131.1
	July	110.5	128.9	132.8	140.3	142.4	150.5	128.9	118.9	121.3	131.5
	August	110.5	129.5	132.8	140.4	142.7	150.8	129.0	118.9	121.6	132.1
	September	111.0	129.9	133.4	140.5	142.8	151.0	129.0	118.9	122.3	132.5
	October	111.0	130.2	134.1	140.5	143.5	151.4	129.2	119.0	122.4	133.0
	November	111.0	130.7	134.3	140.7	144.0	152.0	129.6	119.6	122.5	133.8
	December	111.3	130.9	134.3	140.7	144.3	152.4	129.6	119.6	122.9	134.3

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

TABLE 10. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Concluded

(1949 = 100)

		St. John's Nfld. I.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saskatoon- Regina	Edmonton- Calgary	Van- couver
Clothing Index											
<u>1956</u>	July	100.9	114.8	116.8	107.7	111.7	111.1	112.8	114.7	112.7	113.7
	August	99.4	114.8	116.8	107.4	111.6	111.1	113.1	114.7	112.3	112.5
	September	100.0	115.2	116.8	107.2	111.6	111.1	113.1	115.0	112.7	112.5
	October	100.2	115.2	116.8	107.2	111.4	111.4	113.2	115.0	112.7	112.5
	November	100.2	115.4	116.8	106.8	111.6	111.2	113.7	115.0	113.4	112.5
	December	100.3	115.1	116.9	106.5	111.4	112.0	114.0	116.0	113.6	112.3
<u>1957</u>	January	100.6	114.9	116.9	103.8	111.0	111.1	113.3	116.0	113.5	111.7
	February	100.4	113.8	116.9	103.5	110.9	111.6	111.4	116.0	113.7	111.9
	March	101.1	114.0	117.3	104.1	111.2	112.2	111.8	117.9	114.1	113.7
	April	101.6	114.0	117.3	104.7	111.9	112.2	112.0	117.9	116.5	113.9
	May	101.7	114.0	117.3	104.9	112.0	112.0	111.8	117.9	116.6	114.3
	June	101.8	114.0	117.8	104.7	112.0	111.9	112.6	118.5	115.9	113.5
	July	101.8	113.2	117.8	104.9	111.7	111.8	112.6	118.5	115.9	113.4
	August	102.0	113.2	117.8	104.8	111.7	111.8	112.6	118.5	116.0	111.7
	September	102.1	113.3	117.8	104.6	111.8	112.0	112.8	118.9	115.8	111.8
	October	102.3	113.7	117.8	105.0	112.5	112.2	113.1	118.9	116.1	112.9
	November	102.6	115.2	117.8	107.2	112.9	113.8	114.6	118.9	116.2	113.1
	December	102.6	116.0	116.9	107.2	113.1	113.9	114.7	119.1	116.1	113.1
Household Operation Index											
<u>1956</u>	July	105.2	120.5	117.6	114.8	115.9	116.2	113.7	116.9	117.0	127.8
	August	104.8	120.5	117.9	114.7	115.3	116.3	114.0	117.0	117.0	127.2
	September	105.6	121.5	119.1	114.8	115.2	116.7	114.1	117.6	118.2	128.8
	October	105.7	121.6	119.1	115.2	116.0	117.2	114.1	117.8	118.3	128.4
	November	105.9	121.7	118.8	115.3	115.9	118.2	114.1	117.7	118.4	128.1
	December	106.4	122.1	119.8	115.5	117.1	118.3	115.6	119.1	118.5	128.6
<u>1957</u>	January	106.8	123.9	119.7	115.6	116.9	119.4	116.2	119.6	118.2	128.9
	February	108.3	125.1	120.6	115.5	117.3	119.5	116.2	120.3	118.3	130.2
	March	108.4	125.1	120.7	116.1	117.4	120.0	115.9	120.4	118.4	131.0
	April	108.4	125.3	121.0	115.4	118.2	120.1	116.5	120.2	119.1	128.7
	May	108.8	125.5	121.1	115.8	118.8	120.1	116.3	120.2	119.1	127.5
	June	108.8	125.5	121.2	115.9	118.6	119.4	116.7	121.3	119.7	126.7
	July	108.9	125.8	121.7	116.6	118.8	119.6	117.1	121.6	119.9	127.2
	August	108.8	125.3	121.2	116.7	118.6	119.5	116.9	121.6	119.9	128.9
	September	108.8	125.4	121.3	116.5	118.7	119.8	117.3	122.1	119.9	129.2
	October	109.0	124.5	120.7	117.4	118.9	120.1	117.0	122.1	120.0	129.1
	November	108.2	124.7	120.7	117.9	119.0	121.0	117.3	122.1	120.0	130.2
	December	108.2	124.8	121.2	118.0	119.1	121.0	117.4	122.3	120.3	131.4
Other Commodities and Services Index											
<u>1956</u>	July	114.5	120.3	124.5	120.6	123.9	122.8	121.3	116.5	119.7	120.7
	August	114.6	120.4	124.7	120.9	124.5	122.8	121.3	117.0	119.8	120.7
	September	114.6	121.2	124.7	121.1	124.7	123.0	121.6	117.0	119.9	120.8
	October	115.9	121.2	124.8	121.2	124.7	123.0	121.8	117.2	120.2	121.6
	November	115.7	121.6	126.5	122.8	125.8	123.8	122.1	117.8	121.3	122.9
	December	115.7	121.6	126.5	122.8	125.8	123.8	122.3	117.8	121.5	122.9
<u>1957</u>	January	115.4	121.6	126.7	122.9	126.1	124.2	122.4	117.9	121.6	123.0
	February	116.1	122.2	129.0	123.4	126.8	124.9	123.1	118.6	122.2	124.1
	March	116.1	122.3	129.2	123.5	127.3	125.8	123.3	118.8	122.4	124.2
	April	116.0	123.4	130.2	124.5	128.4	127.0	124.6	119.8	122.5	124.4
	May	116.0	124.1	130.3	125.6	129.8	129.6	126.0	120.9	123.6	124.7
	June	116.0	124.4	130.5	125.7	129.9	130.1	125.4	121.1	123.8	124.8
	July	116.0	124.6	130.3	125.7	129.9	129.9	125.4	121.0	123.9	124.4
	August	116.0	125.3	130.3	126.0	129.9	130.2	125.4	120.9	124.1	124.6
	September	116.1	125.4	130.5	126.0	129.9	130.5	126.1	121.1	124.4	124.9
	October	116.6	125.9	131.0	126.3	130.1	130.6	126.4	121.9	124.8	125.3
	November	117.1	126.6	131.2	127.1	130.2	130.2	127.1	122.0	125.1	125.6
	December	117.1	126.8	131.9	127.9	130.7	130.7	127.6	122.8	126.3	126.7

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

TABLE 11. - ACTUAL AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES IN MANUFACTURING
ADJUSTED FOR CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1)
 1946 - 1957

Year and Month	Actual (2) Weekly Wages \$	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars \$	Index Numbers of		The Consumer Price Index (1949 = 100)
			Actual Weekly Wages (1949 = 100)	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars (1949 = 100)	
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	43.87	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
1955 - Average	59.25	50.90	142.1	122.0	116.4
1956 - Average	62.27	52.73	149.3	126.4	118.1
<u>1955</u> - 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	60.63	51.86	145.4	124.3	116.9
Dec. 1	60.78	51.99	145.7	124.6	116.9
<u>1956</u> - Jan. 1	57.53	49.26	137.9	118.1	116.8
Feb. 1	60.69	52.14	145.5	125.0	116.4
Mar. 1	61.33	52.69	147.0	126.3	116.4
Apr. 1	61.86	53.05	148.3	127.2	116.6
May 1	62.56	53.65	150.0	128.6	116.6
June 1	62.13	52.74	149.0	126.4	117.8
July 1	62.91	53.09	150.8	127.3	118.5
Aug. 1	62.18	52.21	149.1	125.2	119.1
Sept. 1	62.51	52.53	149.9	125.9	119.0
Oct. 1	63.62	53.11	152.5	127.3	119.8
Nov. 1	64.36	53.50	154.3	128.3	120.3
Dec. 1	64.53	53.60	154.7	128.5	120.4
<u>1957</u> - Jan. 1	59.88	49.78	143.6	119.3	120.3
Feb. 1	64.42	53.46	154.4	128.2	120.5
Mar. 1	64.46	53.49	154.5	128.2	120.5
Apr. 1	65.23	53.95	156.4	129.3	120.9
May 1	64.96	53.64	155.7	128.6	121.1
June 1	65.08	53.52	156.0	128.3	121.6
July 1	65.37	53.63	156.7	128.6	121.9
Aug. 1	64.96	52.99	155.7	127.0	122.6
Sept. 1	64.76	52.52	155.3	125.9	123.3
Oct. 1	65.32	52.93	156.6	126.9	123.4
Nov. 1	65.57(p)	53.18(p)	157.2(p)	127.5(p)	123.3

(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 12. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICE USED BY FARMERS

(1935-39=100)

	Composite Index Exclusive of Living Component (a)	Farm Machinery	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates (a)	Farm Wage Rates	Farm Family Living	Composite Index Inclusive of Living Component (a)
ALL CANADA							
1926	130.6	97.6	119.9	135.5	164.5	121.1	126.8
1939	99.3	103.6	95.7	101.1	110.3	99.5	99.4
1955	238.3	198.8	204.6	177.2	439.7	203.8	224.5
1956	247.6	209.4	208.8	184.7	470.3	204.5	230.3
1954 - August	240.0	198.0	201.9	174.6	463.2	204.5	225.8
1955 - August	241.8	199.8	203.3	177.2	465.5	203.8	226.6
1956 - April	250.6	209.2	209.6	184.7	485.1	204.0	231.9
- August	255.9	209.7	210.7	184.7	512.5	206.2	236.0
1957 - January	247.0	223.1	212.3	184.7	453.8	208.6	231.7
- April	258.6	223.8	212.0	184.7	523.9	213.5	240.6
- August	257.6	224.5	209.7	184.7	526.4	216.0	241.0
EASTERN CANADA							
1926	129.5	97.0	122.8	128.4	151.1	120.2	125.8
1939	98.7	104.3	94.8	99.2	110.6	99.5	99.0
1955	241.9	196.0	204.7	168.4	429.0	201.6	225.8
1956	251.9	208.2	207.3	178.8	461.4	201.9	231.9
1954 - August	239.8	195.0	200.9	164.5	433.8	202.1	224.7
1955 - August	243.5	197.4	203.3	168.4	441.6	201.3	226.6
1956 - April	252.3	207.7	208.0	178.8	461.6	201.3	231.9
- August	259.9	209.7	209.5	178.8	495.6	203.7	237.4
1957 - January	257.3	224.0	210.8	178.8	478.2	206.2	236.9
- April	261.3	224.6	210.8	178.8	498.6	211.0	241.2
- August	259.6	225.1	206.5	178.8	503.4	214.3	241.5
WESTERN CANADA							
1926	131.8	97.8	117.1	141.6	183.5	121.9	127.8
1939	99.8	103.3	96.6	102.7	109.9	99.5	99.7
1955	234.7	199.9	204.5	184.8	454.8	206.1	223.2
1956	243.3	209.9	210.1	189.8	483.0	207.0	228.8
1954 - August	240.2	199.2	202.8	183.2	505.1	206.9	226.9
1955 - August	240.2	200.7	203.4	184.8	499.4	206.3	226.6
1956 - April	248.9	209.8	211.1	189.8	518.4	206.6	232.0
- August	251.8	209.7	211.8	189.8	536.6	208.7	234.6
1957 - January	236.8	222.7	213.7	189.8	419.2	211.0	226.5
- April	256.0	223.5	213.2	189.8	559.9	216.0	240.0
- August	255.6	224.2	212.9	189.8	559.0	217.8	240.5

(a) 1957 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

TABLE 13. - AVERAGE RETAIL FEED PRICES FOR CANADA AND FIVE GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS

First of the Month Prices - Dollars per cwt

ITEM	CANADA			MARITIMES			QUEBEC		
	1956	1957	1957	1956	1957	1957	1956	1957	1957
	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Corn, cracked	4.05	3.74	3.70	4.36	4.07	3.97	3.82	3.43	3.40
2. Oats, unground	3.10	2.74	2.76	3.26	2.89	2.96	3.08	2.70	2.71
3. Barley, ground	3.04	2.72	2.72	3.24	2.93	2.91	2.96	2.65	2.65
4. Wheat, unground	3.19	2.85	2.85	3.42	3.13	3.11	3.13	2.73	2.74
5. Bran	2.68	2.39	2.37	2.66	2.24	2.19	2.56	2.20	2.19
6. Shorts	2.93	2.55	2.51	2.97	2.43	2.37	2.89	2.40	2.38
7. Middlings	3.15	2.79	2.75	3.24	2.74	2.72	3.16	2.70	2.68
8. Linseed oil meal	4.91	4.58	4.52	5.05	4.63	4.58	4.76	4.37	4.25
9. Soybean oil meal	4.52	4.38	4.31	4.74	4.48	4.51	4.30	4.23	4.09
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.19	5.11	5.10	5.13	5.08	5.05	4.87	4.76	4.74
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.60	3.43	3.41	3.63	3.42	3.41	3.49	3.30	3.29
12. Dairy supplement (24%) (East)	4.17	4.07	4.03	4.24	4.14	4.13	4.10	4.00	3.97
13. Dairy supplement (32%) (West)	5.12	5.03	5.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
14. Pig starter mash	4.53	4.39	4.36	4.41	4.28	4.25	4.22	4.07	4.04
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.33	5.28	5.24	6.00	5.91	5.94	5.44	5.25	5.24
16. Hog grower mash	3.74	3.52	3.51	3.85	3.60	3.58	3.70	3.40	3.39
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.74	4.62	4.58	4.82	4.75	4.74	4.45	4.30	4.26
18. Growing mash	4.23	4.04	4.02	4.25	3.99	3.96	4.22	4.02	4.00
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.31	4.12	4.11	4.38	4.17	4.18	4.30	4.07	4.06
20. Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.08	4.87	4.87	4.87	4.86	4.84	5.06	4.82	4.79
21. Turkey growing mash	4.66	4.51	4.50	4.76	4.58	4.58	4.61	4.49	4.44

ITEM	ONTARIO			PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA		
	1956	1957	1957	1956	1957	1957	1956	1957	1957
	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Corn, cracked	3.82	3.52	3.47	5.14	5.22	5.22	4.48	4.14	4.13
2. Oats, unground	3.09	2.73	2.73	2.63	2.45	2.47	3.31	2.90	2.88
3. Barley, ground	3.04	2.70	2.72	2.72	2.53	2.47	3.23	2.85	2.85
4. Wheat, unground	3.16	2.80	2.79	2.86	2.66	2.67	3.34	2.99	2.98
5. Bran	2.71	2.36	2.33	2.73	2.70	2.67	2.78	2.53	2.50
6. Shorts	2.97	2.51	2.47	2.89	2.80	2.76	2.91	2.64	2.61
7. Middlings	3.20	2.81	2.76	2.85	2.69	2.66	3.15	3.01	2.95
8. Linseed oil meal	4.73	4.33	4.28	5.23	4.92	4.89	5.07	4.93	4.87
9. Soybean oil meal	4.31	4.14	4.11	5.03	4.95	4.93	4.89	4.66	4.59
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.06	4.85	4.88	5.17	5.11	5.09	6.15	6.16	6.16
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.71	3.53	3.50	3.49	3.37	3.37	3.64	3.52	3.51
12. Dairy supplement (24%)	4.18	4.09	4.03	-	-	-	-	-	-
13. Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.05	4.96	4.90	5.25	5.14	5.14
14. Pig starter mash	4.71	4.49	4.46	4.93	4.85	4.84	4.31	4.14	4.12
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.09	5.09	5.04	5.37	5.29	5.26	5.79	5.77	5.70
16. Hog grower mash	3.73	3.47	3.47	3.52	3.44	3.43	3.94	3.78	3.76
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.82	4.66	4.64	4.93	4.84	4.84	4.85	4.72	4.61
18. Growing mash	4.15	3.95	3.96	4.27	4.11	4.06	4.32	4.18	4.13
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.27	4.06	4.04	4.34	4.26	4.24	4.30	4.08	4.08
20. Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	4.99	4.69	4.70	5.06	4.98	4.96	5.30	5.08	5.08
21. Turkey growing mash	4.71	4.53	4.55	4.54	4.37	4.38	4.69	4.62	4.57

TABLE 14. - 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	1955	1956	1956	1957	1957
		Average	Average	December Average	November Average	December Average
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
United States	dollar	.9863	.9841	.9605	.9624	.9774
United Kingdom	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.6754	2.6976	2.7429
Argentina	peso (free)	.06386	.02826	.02705	.02518	.02633
Australia	pound	2.2054	2.2014	2.1403	2.1581	2.1938
Belgium (1)	franc	.01964	.01972	.01915	.01924	.01954
Brazil	cruzeiro (free)	.01344	.01355	.01472	.01074	.01107
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5737	.5733	.5574	.5620	.5713
Ceylon	rupee	.2065	.2064	.2006	.2023	.2057
Chile	peso	.00493	.00232	.00185	.00143	.00144
Colombia (2)	peso (basic)	.3945	.3937	.3842	.1854	.1816
Cuba	peso	.9863	.9841	.9605	.9624	.9771
Denmark	krone	.1428	.1425	.1391	.1393	.1415
Egypt	pound	2.8322	2.8262	2.7581	2.7635	2.8060
France and North Africa	franc	.00282	.00281	.00274	.00229	.00233
Germany	deutsche mark	.2343	.2342	.2788	.2291	.2326
Hong Kong	dollar	.1721	.1720	.1672	.1686	.1714
India	rupee	.2065	.2064	.2006	.2023	.2057
Ireland	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.6754	2.6976	2.7429
Italy	lira	.00158	.00158	.00154	.00155	.00157
Jamaica	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.6754	2.6976	2.7429
Japan	yen	.00274	.00273	.00267	.00267	.00271
Lebanon	pound (free)	.3046	.3056	.2990	.3048	.3090
Mexico	peso	.07890	.07873	.07684	.07699	.07817
Netherlands	guilder	.2588	.2571	.2508	.2538	.2578
New Zealand	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.6754	2.6976	2.7429
Norway	krone	.1381	.1378	.1345	.1347	.1368
Pakistan	rupee	.2597	.2064	.2006	.2023	.2057
Peru	sol-certificate	.05191	.05179	.05055	.05065	.05143
Phillipines	peso	.4931	.4920	.4802	.4812	.4886
Portugal	escudo	.03442	.03434	.03352	.03359	.03410
Singapore	dollar	.3213	.3210	.3121	.3147	.3200
Sweden	krona	.1906	.1902	.1857	.1860	.1889
Switzerland	franc	.2301	.2297	.2241	.2246	.2280
Turkey	lira	.3522	.3514	.3430	.3437	.3490
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.6754	2.6976	2.7429
Venezuela	bolivar	.2944	.2937	.2867	.2873	.2917
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00329	.00328	.00320	.00321	.00326

Note: Commencing January 1958, the publication of Exchange Rates will be discontinued. Please refer to "Foreign Trade" published fortnightly by the Department of Trade and Commerce.

(1) Includes Belgian Empire and Luxemburg.

(2) Certificate commencing June 1957.

TABLE 15. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON AND PREFERRED STOCK PRICES

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(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX									
	INVESTORS' TOTAL (95)	TOTAL INDUS- TRIALS (75)	Machin- ery and Equip- ment (10)	Pulp and Paper (9)	Mill- ing (2)	Oils (5)	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing (8)	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
1955	232.7	239.6	696.0	995.1	190.6	164.0	177.8	180.4	566.2	434.9
1956	269.0	282.7	818.8	1,109.9	176.1	221.1	163.0	187.0	548.8	482.1
1957	258.2	271.0	765.1	924.5	135.1	241.0	155.3	193.1	489.9	436.8
<u>1955</u> July ..	246.5	252.8	760.8	1,069.8	197.0	169.2	178.3	187.5	589.3	458.7
Aug. ..	245.3	252.3	735.6	1,066.9	198.5	164.7	176.2	194.8	592.0	457.2
Sept. ..	255.9	265.9	794.0	1,098.2	215.1	174.1	183.2	199.6	640.1	467.9
Oct. ..	239.9	248.9	742.7	1,044.9	227.1	164.1	187.3	196.2	609.8	435.8
Nov. ..	245.6	255.3	766.5	1,062.5	213.3	168.8	187.7	197.1	593.2	453.8
Dec. ..	247.6	257.0	763.8	1,073.3	209.1	170.8	178.2	200.0	581.9	457.8
<u>1956</u> Jan. ..	248.5	257.0	735.6	1,070.0	209.4	175.5	179.9	196.8	583.7	458.4
Feb. ..	249.2	258.1	728.0	1,077.3	199.2	182.6	174.0	197.3	579.0	464.0
Mar. ..	267.9	280.3	804.6	1,153.0	199.6	205.2	178.8	199.7	590.4	503.6
Apr. ..	273.0	286.2	826.4	1,223.9	187.4	210.0	170.9	191.8	577.5	519.5
May. ..	268.5	282.9	848.1	1,192.5	179.8	211.7	160.2	180.8	551.7	488.5
June ..	267.0	283.0	843.6	1,146.0	167.3	219.4	158.8	181.5	549.1	466.3
July ..	282.4	299.0	913.7	1,185.8	173.9	234.9	159.5	190.8	565.4	504.5
Aug. ..	291.8	308.9	915.4	1,175.3	175.2	250.1	158.3	195.5	558.6	514.2
Sept. ..	278.9	294.4	855.3	1,077.2	166.0	243.7	153.4	183.5	530.9	485.0
Oct. ..	270.3	284.8	815.7	1,024.9	160.2	236.2	155.3	175.0	518.7	469.8
Nov. ..	262.3	276.0	762.8	994.2	151.2	239.2	154.8	175.2	487.1	452.0
Dec. ..	267.8	281.7	776.8	998.9	143.6	244.8	152.4	176.5	493.0	459.6
<u>1957</u> Jan. ..	273.7	287.3	763.0	1,005.3	147.8	251.6	163.7	181.2	506.3	463.2
Feb. ..	263.2	276.0	756.6	946.4	141.4	244.8	154.7	181.4	488.8	433.4
Mar. ..	267.5	281.0	790.4	966.4	134.8	246.2	153.5	182.8	485.9	438.0
Apr. ..	278.8	294.2	825.6	997.0	138.2	262.9	153.4	197.6	490.9	453.5
May. ..	287.6	304.8	868.0	996.4	155.0	278.8	157.2	204.7	516.0	470.9
June ..	286.9	303.5	882.7	998.9	141.9	275.6	161.8	208.2	514.6	482.4
July ..	284.7	301.6	932.2	991.9	137.5	274.2	162.5	204.5	506.2	483.4
Aug. ..	259.0	272.4	803.9	915.9	135.8	245.9	160.3	195.8	485.9	458.3
Sept. ..	242.2	252.8	728.5	861.3	126.4	225.5	155.1	189.6	466.9	424.0
Oct. ..	219.6	228.0	641.7	813.4	113.7	195.7	145.8	183.6	459.7	384.0
Nov. ..	218.6	226.2	600.3	792.7	122.4	195.6	144.0	188.8	475.1	377.6
Dec. ..	216.2	224.0	587.9	808.1	120.8	194.9	151.4	198.7	482.6	373.4
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Dec. 5	223.3	232.3	607.5	836.0	122.5	203.2	151.8	202.3	500.1	379.8
Dec. 12	217.1	225.3	595.4	813.7	116.8	198.5	152.6	195.7	480.1	370.1
Dec. 19	212.2	219.3	573.9	794.3	121.9	190.2	150.9	198.2	473.3	365.9
Dec. 26	212.1	219.3	574.8	788.3	121.9	187.8	150.1	198.7	476.8	378.0

TABLE 15. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON AND PREFERRED STOCK PRICES (Concluded)

(1935-39=100)

Number of stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX					MINING INDEX (1)				PREFERRED STOCKS
	Indus- trial Mines (2)	TOTAL UTILI- TIES (13)	Trans- porta- tion (2)	Tele- phone (3)	Power and Traction (8)	BANKS (7)	MINING TOTAL (27)	Gold (21)	Base Metals (6)	
1939	98.9	86.1	56.0	109.3	88.9	102.5	104.5	95.6	121.7	101.6
1940	77.1	80.9	62.5	101.0	80.6	95.6	81.2	73.7	95.6	100.8
1941	69.5	70.7	61.4	96.4	65.8	90.5	72.4	65.1	87.0	99.7
1942	66.5	70.4	65.7	89.2	66.1	81.2	52.3	40.8	75.1	96.6
1943	74.8	101.3	112.8	97.2	99.1	80.5	70.1	61.4	86.8	112.4
1944	69.2	100.8	125.2	100.1	93.3	82.0	81.3	74.1	94.2	123.1
1945	86.9	120.2	178.2	108.8	105.5	95.7	95.2	91.0	101.1	137.0
1946	98.0	132.5	203.5	125.2	114.0	130.0	97.8	87.6	116.1	155.9
1947	90.0	117.3	147.9	117.1	109.1	130.8	86.7	76.0	106.1	154.0
1948	100.5	120.2	180.6	108.3	104.7	129.3	82.0	65.0	115.8	144.6
1949	92.1	117.4	161.6	105.9	109.2	134.4	87.4	71.7	117.9	143.0
1950	98.3	132.5	208.8	103.5	123.7	147.4	89.9	67.4	134.9	156.7
1951	126.0	162.3	325.6	101.4	142.5	144.6	99.2	69.8	166.4	164.5
1952	139.7	168.3	378.6	94.6	139.8	148.4	103.6	73.9	171.5	160.1
1953	118.1	157.2	297.5	99.2	142.4	168.9	92.1	66.2	151.3	162.3
1954	123.2	165.0	291.6	111.0	150.2	208.0	91.3	64.8	151.9	170.2
1955	184.3	197.0	365.8	125.5	181.2	246.3	116.9	72.3	219.0	177.2
1956	218.6	206.3	375.0	123.8	208.1	275.8	134.4	75.8	268.7	166.2
1957	195.9	199.8	352.0	108.6	230.9	263.8	114.0	70.5	213.5	151.3
<u>1955</u>										
July	194.8	208.9	391.7	130.9	194.3	270.6	125.7	75.0	241.8	179.5
Aug.	203.0	207.0	383.2	129.5	195.2	263.2	129.1	76.3	250.0	179.9
Sept.	212.4	211.2	390.8	132.2	199.3	259.0	129.0	75.3	252.0	179.0
Oct.	191.2	200.6	371.0	129.6	182.1	240.0	117.6	71.0	224.2	179.2
Nov.	200.8	201.4	370.6	129.6	184.7	250.8	119.6	71.2	230.2	177.6
Dec.	204.5	204.2	386.1	129.3	186.0	253.4	121.4	72.6	233.0	173.9
<u>1956</u>										
Jan.	205.3	206.5	385.4	129.4	192.6	260.0	125.2	75.8	238.1	175.5
Feb.	200.6	204.1	373.3	129.5	190.6	264.2	125.1	76.7	235.8	175.3
Mar.	217.0	210.2	399.3	131.0	194.3	276.8	134.4	79.4	260.2	173.6
Apr.	222.1	209.3	394.8	127.7	200.2	288.7	136.8	78.8	269.7	171.1
May	218.0	204.2	370.2	125.2	201.0	271.7	136.5	78.8	268.5	167.7
June	217.2	199.8	356.8	119.2	206.0	260.7	136.4	76.7	273.1	166.2
July	223.5	207.9	361.7	122.2	222.4	287.4	144.0	79.5	291.5	167.5
Aug.	237.3	215.7	389.1	124.9	228.0	295.4	147.1	79.5	301.9	166.1
Sept.	228.2	209.2	380.0	121.1	220.1	283.8	137.4	74.1	282.2	161.7
Oct.	223.4	205.1	370.9	119.5	215.0	275.3	133.5	72.5	273.3	158.7
Nov.	211.9	200.3	351.5	117.8	212.5	268.8	127.4	68.6	262.2	157.0
Dec.	219.0	203.6	367.1	118.3	214.4	276.2	129.4	68.9	267.8	154.4
<u>1957</u>										
Jan.	228.4	207.5	363.5	118.4	227.9	289.9	129.9	70.6	265.7	155.9
Feb.	211.8	203.6	343.2	116.5	228.9	271.3	122.2	69.3	243.2	156.4
Mar.	218.2	209.2	364.2	115.7	239.0	266.2	123.3	68.1	249.6	154.8
Apr.	225.5	212.5	385.8	114.0	243.6	277.5	128.0	72.4	255.4	153.4
May	223.9	216.1	397.2	113.1	251.9	279.0	124.2	76.2	234.2	153.1
June	217.6	216.8	401.0	107.6	264.6	281.8	125.4	80.6	227.7	150.8
July	204.3	213.8	398.0	105.2	262.0	277.8	122.8	79.3	222.2	150.0
Aug.	182.4	200.6	364.5	104.1	237.8	260.2	109.5	73.2	192.6	149.4
Sept.	172.1	191.2	343.0	103.4	219.4	252.2	104.6	71.4	180.7	147.3
Oct.	156.7	176.7	306.9	100.5	195.9	234.9	95.0	63.4	167.2	146.1
Nov.	159.3	176.2	284.3	102.0	201.3	240.5	93.4	61.2	167.0	147.6
Dec.	151.0	173.9	272.5	102.4	198.4	234.9	89.4	60.0	156.8	151.3
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
Dec. 5	158.0	177.0	282.8	103.1	202.1	240.1	94.0	62.6	166.0	
Dec. 12	150.0	174.2	278.3	102.0	197.7	233.7	89.0	59.7	156.1	(2)
Dec. 19	147.5	171.9	266.1	101.4	197.0	233.9	87.5	58.4	154.1	
Dec. 26	148.5	172.4	262.9	103.0	196.6	231.9	87.0	59.1	150.8	

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

(2) No weekly indexes calculated for Preferred Stocks.

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF CONSUMER AND WHOLESALE PRICES
IN CANADA AND OTHER SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

Country	Base Period	1949	1956	1 9 5 7					
				July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1952 - 53		114.3(1)			115.1			
Canada	1949	100.0	121.9(1957)	121.9	122.6	123.3	123.4	123.3	123.1
France (Paris)	1956 - 57(2)	68.1	100.6	102.2	103.4	104.7	106.3	108.8	
Germany	1950	107	113	116	116	116	117	117	
India	1949	100	105	112	113	112			
Italy	1938	4,915	6,226	6,374	6,379	6,409	6,461		
Japan	1951	92.2	118.4	122.9	123.7	123.5			
Mexico	1939	335.9	575.3	616.8	627.7	632.4	641.6	646.5	
Netherlands	1951		108	121	123	124	124		
Norway	1949	100	148	152	152	152			
South Africa	1938	153.2	205.9	211.2	215.2	216.6	216.7	215.3	
Sweden	1949	100	139	146	145	146	147	147	
Switzerland	August 1949		175	178.5	179.5	179.9	180.5	181.0	
United Kingdom	Jan. 17, 1956		102.0	106.6	106.4	106.1	107.1	107.7	
United States	1947 - 49	101.8	116.2	120.8	121.0	121.1	121.1	121.6	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 39		344(1)	347	349	346			
Canada	1935 - 39	198.3	225.6	228.2	227.6	226.7	224.8	224.0	225.9
France	1949		141.6	147.5	149.6	150.3	154.9 ⁽³⁾	160.8	
Germany	1950		129	133	133	132	133		
India	1952 - 53			111.9	112.1	109.5	108.9		
Italy	1938	5,169	5,380	5,231	5,238	5,264	5,316		
Japan (Tokyo)	1952		102.2	104.6	104.0	104.2	104.6		
Mexico (Mexico City) ..	1939	268.1	530.9	560.7	590.4	590.8	600.3	587.2	
Netherlands	1948	104	140	145	144	143			
Norway	1952		108	111	111	111			
South Africa	1938	184.7	275.3	279.2	280.5	284.1			
Sweden	1935	216	325	326	322	321			
Switzerland	August 1939		220.0	224.4	223.2	222.7	222.5	223.5	
United Kingdom	June 30, 1949(3)		156.2	155.0 ^(r)	154.2	151.2	148.8	146.3	
United Kingdom	June 30, 1949(4)		135.6	139.6	140.1	140.8	140.7	141.3	
United States	1947 - 49	99.2	114.3	118.2	118.4	118.0	117.8 ⁽⁴⁾	118.0	

r - Revised. 1. Average from July 1956 to June 1957. 2. France (Paris) 1949=100 index discontinued.
3. Basic Materials Index (excl. fuel) for non-food manufacturing industries.
4. All manufactured products other than fuel, food and tobacco.

Publication of the above tables will be suspended with this issue. Information on foreign consumer price indexes and wholesale indexes is available from the United Nations Monthly Bulletin of Statistics.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price SeriesAppearing in this BulletinWHOLESALE PRICE INDEXESCanadian Farm Products

Wheat prices used in this index are buying prices of the 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.

Final wheat participation payments for the crop year August 1955 - July 1956 were announced May 15, 1957. The price of No. 1 Manitoba Northern was adjusted to \$1.607 per bushel, No. 2 to \$1.576, and No. 3 to \$1.498, and the index revised accordingly. Subsequent monthly indexes are based on an initial payment of \$1.40 for No. 1 Manitoba Northern.

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. For the 1955-56 crop year, final payments were announced November 15th for barley and November 29th for oats. Initial payments for the crop years 1956-57 and 1957-58 are 65 and 60 cents respectively for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 87 cents for No. 1 Feed barley.

For final revised indexes August 1945 - July 1952 see Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21; and Table 4 of February 1954, May 1955 and May 1956 issues for subsequent crop years. Table 2, page 7 of this issue presents final indexes for 1955-1956. Indexes subsequent to July 1956 are subject to revision.

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 5 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 6. 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 95 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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