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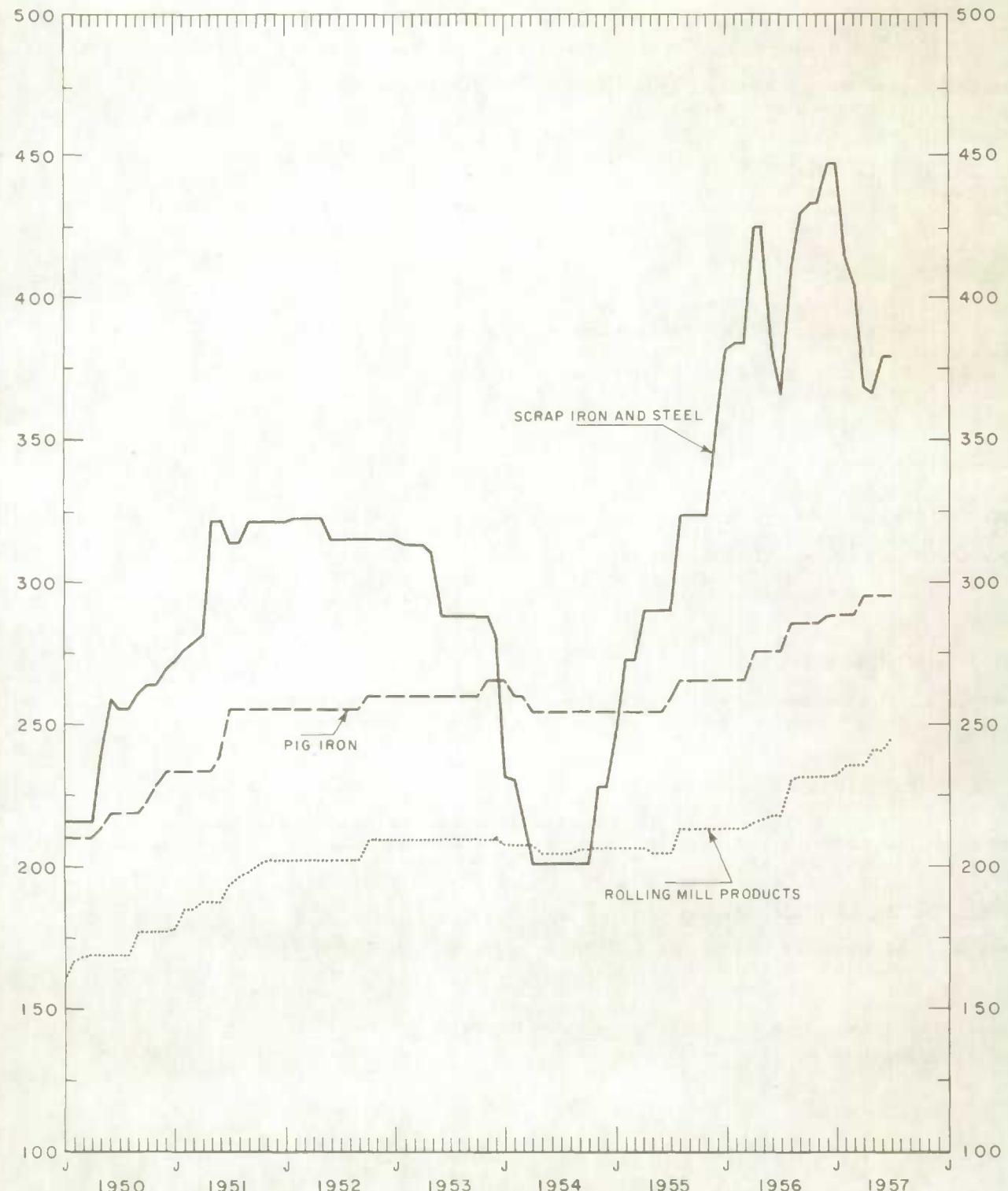
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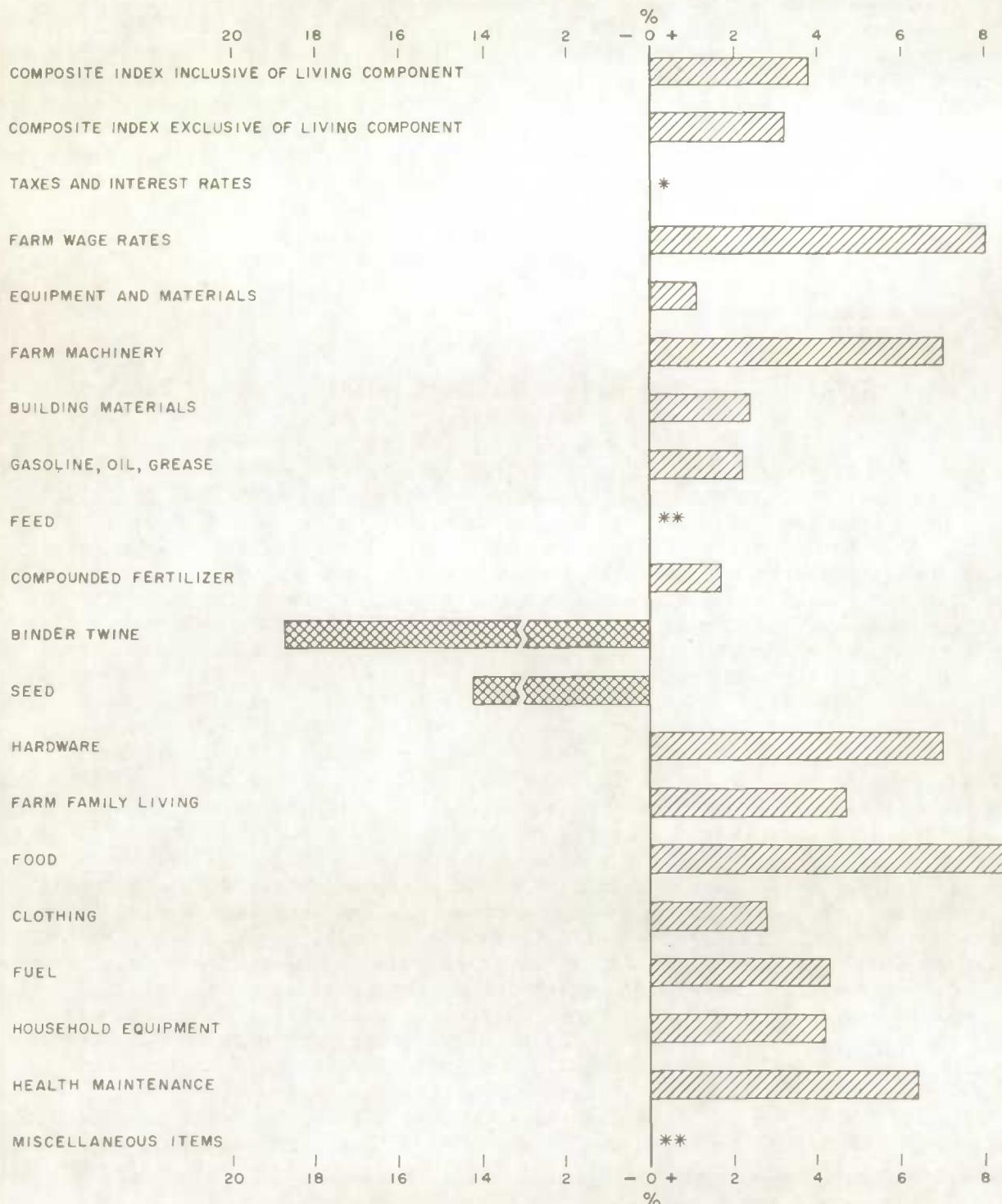
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
SELECTED IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS
MONTHLY, JANUARY 1950 — JULY 1957



PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

PERCENTAGE CHANGES BETWEEN APRIL 1956 AND APRIL 1957

(1935 - 1939 = 100)



* NOT AVAILABLE

** NO CHANGE

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX:
(1949=100)

The Consumer Price Index advanced 0.2 per cent from 121.6 to 121.9 between June and July 1957, to stand 2.9 per cent above the July 1956 index of 118.5. The current movement resulted mainly from a higher Food index, with increases in both Shelter and Household Operation also contributing to the rise. Clothing was unchanged, continuing the long period during which this group has shown almost no movement. Other Commodities and Services were also unchanged, the first month since December 1955 that this group has not registered some upward movement. The increase in the Food index from 117.7 to 118.2 was largely attributable to seasonal items, as prices eased for canned vegetables, sugar, coffee and jam. Price increases for eggs, potatoes, most other fresh vegetables and fruits, and pork proved more important than the scattered price decreases. Shelter moved from 134.8 to 135.1 on the strength of increases for both rents and home-ownership, the latter reflecting continued price increases in residential building materials and wage rates. Higher prices for appliances, together with increases for items of furniture, household equipment and domestic help, moved the Household Operation index from 119.1 to 119.6. Scattered changes in Clothing left the total index at 108.4. Price increases were reported for women's hosiery, but there were reductions in some items of children's wear. Small increases for newspapers, prepaid health care and some personal care items were balanced by somewhat lower prices for new passenger cars and gasoline as the Other Commodities and Services index was unchanged at 126.5.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES:
(1935-1939=100)

The General Wholesale Price Index remained practically unchanged between June and July, moving from 228.0 to 228.2 and maintaining the plateau of between 228.0 and 228.4 that has existed since February. As compared to July of a year ago the index is only 0.7 per cent higher, whereas over the twelve months ending July 1956 the index advanced 3.8 per cent. Of the four component groups which moved higher during the current month, only Animal Products showed a significant increase, the upward movement in the other three groups being less than one per cent. Similarly, of the four groups which were lower in July, three of them had decreases of less than one per cent. Mainly responsible for the upward movement of Animal Products from 241.6 to 245.8 were higher prices for eggs, potatoes, milk in Western Canada, butter in some centres, poultry, beef hides, hogs and all pork products; lower prices were recorded for steers, calves, lambs, calfskins, cheese, beef, lamb and veal items. Higher prices for steel pipe, structural steel shapes and steel bars, outweighed a decrease in the price of cast iron pipe, to move the Iron Products group slightly higher, 0.5 per cent, from 253.1 to 254.3. Chemical Products also moved fractionally upward 0.5 per cent, from 181.9 to 182.9, as a result of increased prices for magnesium sulphate, cyanamid and paint; in this group the price of zinc oxide was lower. Textile Products was practically unchanged at 237.4, as increases for rayon yarns and men's cotton underwear were offset by decreases in jute bags, worsted yarns, woollen and worsted cloths. Lower prices for base metals, copper wire, brass sheet, tin ingots and antimony were responsible for moving the Non-ferrous Metals group down from 176.3 to 172.4, a decrease of 2.2 per cent. Vegetable Products was down 0.7 per cent to 195.2, as lower prices for sugar, fresh fruit, coffee, livestock and poultry feeds outweighed higher prices for potatoes, vegetable oils, shortening, cocoa beans and prairie hay; the change in grain prices was quite mixed, with wheat, oats, western feed barley and eastern rye lower, and peas, corn, western rye and flax higher. Lower prices for coal, coal oil, and fuel oil at Toronto contributed to the decrease of 0.2 per cent in Non-metallic Minerals to 188.6. A small decrease was recorded in the price of domestic groundwood pulp, but when coupled with the increased strength of the Canadian dollar which had a lowering effect on newsprint and woodpulp returns from the U.S. market, the Wood Products index remained practically

unchanged, moving from 300.0 to 299.8.

The monthly index of Canadian Farm Product Prices at Terminal markets moved up 2.1 per cent between June and July from 208.4 to 212.7 supported by strength in both major groups. In Animal Products, which advanced 3.1 per cent from 262.2 to 270.2, higher prices were reported for hogs and eggs, both East and West, steers, lambs and fluid milk in the West, and poultry and butterfat in the East. On the other hand, declines were recorded for calves on Eastern and Western markets, and steers and lambs on Eastern markets. A small increase for Field Products from 154.6 to 155.1 reflected gains for potatoes, Western rye, flax and hay, and Eastern peas and corn. Declines in this group occurred only in the East, where wheat, oats, rye and hay worked lower. Regional composite indexes were stronger, with the Eastern index rising from 224.2 to 231.1 and the Western series from 192.6 to 194.3.

The index of Residential Building Material Prices at 294.1 in July was down fractionally when compared with the June level of 294.3. Declines which occurred for a few lumber specifications, copper wire and galvanized steel sheet, were partially compensated by price gains for steel pipe, paint and varnish.

The Non-residential Building Materials Index, on the base 1949 = 100, registered a current gain of 1.9 per cent from 129.5 to 132.0. Increases, which were largely concentrated in products made of iron or steel, occurred for a few descriptions in the Plumbing and Heating, and Steel and Metal Work groups. In addition, paint items and concrete building blocks moved up slightly while a small number of items, chiefly copper wire, registered price decreases.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES:
(1935-1939 = 100)

The Investors Monthly Index of 95 common stocks declined slightly between June and July from 286.9 to 284.7 reflecting weakness in all major groups. For 7 Banks and 13 Utilities declines of 1.4 per cent each brought the indexes down from 281.8 to 277.8 and from 216.8 to 213.8 respectively, while 75 Industrials edged 0.6 per cent lower from 303.5 to 301.6. Sub-group losses ranged between 0.5 per cent for Oils and 6.1 per cent for Industrial Mines. On the other hand, Machinery and Equipment stocks advanced 5.6 per cent while fractional gains were registered for Textiles and Clothing and Building Materials.

The composite index for 27 Mining Stocks fell 2.1 per cent in the same period, from 125.4 to 122.8, due to weakness in both sub-groups. Base Metals dropped 2.4 per cent, from 227.7 to 222.2 and 21 Golds 1.6 per cent, from 80.6 to 79.3.

The index for 28 Preferred stocks stood at 150.0 in July compared to the June level of 150.8.

TABLE 1. - SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE INDEXES

	<u>INDEXES</u>					<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
						July 1957	July 1957	July 1957
	July 1955	July 1956	June 1957	July 1957	July 1955	July 1956	July 1956	June 1957
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)</u> ⁽¹⁾								
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	218.4	226.6	228.0	228.2	+ 4.5	+ 0.7	+ 0.09	
Vegetable Products	195.5	202.7	196.6	195.2	- 0.2	- 3.7	- 0.7	
Animal Products	228.0	232.8	241.6	245.8	+ 7.8	+ 5.6	+ 1.7	
Textile Products	226.9	228.7	237.1	237.4	+ 4.6	+ 3.8	+ 0.1	
Wood Products	295.2	304.4	300.0	299.8	+ 1.6	- 1.5	- 0.07	
Iron Products	217.7	235.9	253.1	254.3	+ 16.8	+ 7.8	+ 0.5	
Non-ferrous Metals	185.1	195.3	176.3	172.4	- 6.9	- 11.7	- 2.2	
Non-metallic Minerals	173.7	180.3	188.9	188.6	+ 8.6	+ 4.6	- 0.2	
Chemical Products	176.5	181.0	181.9	182.9	+ 3.6	+ 1.0	+ 0.5	
<u>CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS</u> ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	217.4	233.5	208.4	212.7	-	-	-	
Eastern Total	229.4	259.8	224.2	231.1	-	-	-	
Western Total	205.3	207.3	192.6	194.3	-	-	-	
Field	185.2	210.6	154.6	155.1	-	-	-	
Animal	249.5	256.5	262.2	270.2	-	-	-	
<u>SELECTED PRICE INDEXES</u> ⁽¹⁾								
Canadian Industrial Materials	237.1	247.4	240.6	239.8	+ 1.1	- 3.1	- 0.3	
Residential Building Materials (1949=100)	124.6	129.0	129.1	129.0	+ 3.5	-	- 0.1	
Non-Residential Building Materials (1949=100)	122.0	127.2	129.5	132.0	+ 8.2	+ 3.8	+ 1.9	
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1949=100)</u>								
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	116.0	118.5	121.6	121.9	+ 5.1	+ 2.9	+ 0.2	
Food	111.5	114.4	117.7	118.2	+ 6.0	+ 3.3	+ 0.4	
Shelter	129.6	132.7	134.8	135.1	+ 4.2	+ 1.8	+ 0.2	
Clothing	107.8	108.6	108.4	108.4	+ 0.6	- 0.2	-	
Household Operation	115.8	116.7	119.1	119.6	+ 3.3	+ 2.5	+ 0.4	
Other Commodities and Services	117.7	121.1	126.5	126.5	+ 7.5	+ 4.5	-	
<u>SECURITY PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)</u>								
<u>TOTAL INVESTORS' INDEX</u>	246.5	282.4	286.9	284.7	+ 15.5	+ 0.8	- 0.8	
Total Industrials	252.8	299.0	303.5	301.6	+ 19.3	+ 0.9	- 0.6	
Machinery & Equipment	760.8	913.7	882.7	932.2	+ 22.5	+ 2.0	+ 5.6	
Pulp & Paper	1,069.8	1,185.8	998.9	991.9	- 7.3	- 16.4	- 0.7	
Milling	197.0	173.9	141.9	137.5	- 30.2	- 20.9	- 3.1	
Oils	169.2	234.9	275.6	274.2	+ 62.1	+ 16.7	- 0.5	
Textiles & Clothing	178.3	159.5	161.8	162.5	- 8.9	+ 1.9	+ 0.4	
Foods	187.5	190.8	208.2	204.5	+ 9.1	+ 7.2	- 1.8	
Beverages	589.3	565.4	514.6	506.2	- 14.1	- 10.5	- 1.6	
Building Materials	458.7	504.5	482.4	483.4	+ 5.4	- 4.2	+ 0.2	
Industrial Mines	194.8	223.5	217.6	204.3	+ 4.9	- 8.6	- 6.1	
Total Utilities	208.9	207.9	216.8	213.8	+ 2.3	+ 2.8	- 1.4	
Transportation	391.7	361.7	401.0	398.0	+ 1.6	+ 10.0	- 0.7	
Telephone	130.9	122.2	107.6	105.2	- 19.6	- 13.9	- 2.2	
Power and Traction	194.3	222.4	264.6	262.0	+ 34.8	+ 17.8	- 1.0	
Banks	270.6	287.4	281.8	277.8	+ 2.7	- 3.3	- 1.4	
<u>MINING STOCKS</u>								
General Index	125.7	144.0	125.4	122.8	- 2.3	- 14.7	- 2.1	
Golds	75.0	79.5	80.6	79.3	+ 5.7	- 0.3	- 1.6	
Base Metals	241.8	291.5	227.7	222.2	- 8.1	- 23.8	- 2.4	

(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 Apr.	218.5	210.4	223.5	233.1	202.0	238.7	220.3
May	217.8	209.5	223.1	233.2	198.5	243.4	220.9
June	218.7	210.2	224.0	236.2	189.4	250.0	219.7
July	218.4	210.1	223.6	237.1	185.2	249.5	217.4
Aug.	219.7	210.7	225.4	240.9	172.7	250.6	211.7
Sept.	220.9	212.2	226.4	241.1	167.6	251.6	209.6
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

(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 31 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)

Date	General Whole- Sale Index	- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -							
		Total Vege- table Pro- ducts	Grains	Milled Cereal Foods	Live- stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Pro- ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Fruits, Canned
1956 Average ...	225.6	197.3	188.4	149.2	202.6	193.4	175.0	185.2	159.3
1956 Jan.	222.0	192.9	184.9	146.1	204.0	184.8	167.7	177.2	149.8
Feb.	222.2	193.4	186.6	146.0	196.9	184.8	169.0	178.5	150.9
Mar.	223.3	195.3	190.5	147.8	200.6	186.4	166.7	178.5	150.9
Apr.	224.6	196.9	191.5	148.0	215.7	186.4	171.1	178.5	150.9
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
- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - Concluded									
Vege- table Oils and Pro- ducts	Rubber and Its Pro- ducts	Sugar and Its Pro- ducts	Tea, Coffee and Cocoa	Pota- toes	Onions	Canned Vege- tables	Raw Leaf To- bacco		
1956 Average ...	293.5	201.0	155.9	361.6	258.2	213.5	207.0	184.3	
1956 Jan.	271.4	209.6	151.2	362.8	164.4	193.1	195.4	185.7	
Feb.	284.1	204.7	151.2	363.7	176.3	210.5	195.4	185.7	
Mar.	296.2	201.5	151.4	359.4	211.4	192.2	196.6	185.7	
Apr.	310.7	199.2	151.7	356.2	249.1	169.0	196.6	185.7	
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	

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 Jan.	218.9	293.1	110.6	142.5	202.5	205.5	248.6	302.3
Feb.	217.5	293.9	110.5	138.8	202.5	205.5	245.1	289.8
Mar.	217.8	310.1	98.7	137.5	204.1	206.3	240.4	283.4
Apr.	218.2	300.1	97.0	142.9	204.1	208.5	241.5	289.6
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
- 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 Jan.	242.1	287.4	163.2	210.8	225.0	227.8	133.5	156.9
Feb.	239.1	280.0	162.6	198.8	225.9	227.8	132.5	154.1
Mar.	236.4	276.3	161.9	204.8	226.8	227.7	133.5	167.0
Apr.	240.1	282.3	161.8	210.8	226.0	226.8	135.3	172.2
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

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

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- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS -

Date	Total Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	Raw Cotton	Cotton Yarns	Cotton Fabrics	Cotton Knit Goods	Miscel- laneous Fibre Products	Silk and Nylon Thread	Rayon Fabrics
1956 Average ...	230.2	295.7	249.2	238.2	221.9	209.0	175.1	154.4
1956 Jan.	227.5	305.0	250.8	236.5	220.7	202.8	169.5	154.2
Feb.	228.9	314.6	253.2	237.1	220.7	203.9	169.5	154.2
Mar.	228.9	311.8	253.2	238.3	220.7	205.0	169.5	154.2
Apr.	229.2	311.1	253.9	238.7	220.7	208.6	169.5	154.2
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

- 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 Jan.	166.5	247.0	207.6	198.7	230.9	252.5	232.7	225.3
Feb.	170.5	247.0	206.2	198.7	230.9	252.5	232.7	232.3
Mar.	170.5	241.0	199.0	198.7	230.9	271.2	232.0	232.3
Apr.	170.5	239.9	199.8	198.7	230.9	271.2	232.0	232.3
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

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

(1935-39 = 100)

- WOOD, WOOD PRODUCTS AND PAPER -

Date	Total Wood Products	Lumber and Timber	Spruce	Hard-woods	Hem-lock	Fir	Cedar	Wood-pulp	News-print	Wrapping Paper, No. 1 Kraft
1956 Average ...	303.7	450.6	415.2	330.1	381.2	547.3	446.5	219.3	295.4	238.5
1956 Jan.	305.8	450.6	412.4	319.4	369.8	550.3	460.3	221.2	301.4	234.5
Feb.	305.8	450.3	412.4	319.4	369.8	549.1	460.5	221.3	301.5	234.5
Mar.	305.6	453.8	412.4	320.5	369.8	557.8	462.9	221.1	299.2	234.5
Apr.	306.6	455.6	414.1	328.7	369.8	559.3	462.7	222.1	299.0	239.3
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

- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -

	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 Jan.	231.0	266.0	213.9	236.9	243.0	261.4	382.0	221.5
Feb.	231.1	266.0	213.9	236.9	243.0	261.4	384.3	221.5
Mar.	232.4	266.0	213.9	236.9	249.7	261.4	384.3	221.5
Apr.	236.1	275.1	215.8	236.9	249.7	261.4	425.5	227.4
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

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
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Date	- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -									Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)
	Total Non-Ferrous Metals (1)	Anti-mony (2)	Copper and Its Products	Lead and Its Products	Silver	Tin	Zinc and Its Products	Solder		
1956 Average ...	199.2	280.2	177.0	385.9	323.5	230.7	189.6	320.5	212.1	256.6
1956 Jan.	202.2	284.5	180.7	399.8	326.5	233.1	200.1	319.2	222.3	253.3
Feb.	203.6	287.1	180.7	407.9	323.2	234.6	196.0	320.6	213.4	254.4
Mar.	207.3	293.7	177.3	426.5	323.2	235.1	198.4	320.6	213.4	257.9
Apr.	207.5	294.2	177.3	426.5	323.2	233.9	186.1	320.6	213.4	260.3
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
- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -										
	Total Non-Metallic Products	Clay and Allied Material Products	Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar		Coke		Window Glass	
1956 Average ...	180.8	237.5	160.6	182.1	300.2		231.0		270.2	
1956 Jan.	179.2	231.2	158.3	179.6	271.6		228.1		270.2	
Feb.	179.4	231.2	159.2	180.1	271.6		228.1		270.2	
Mar.	180.0	237.3	159.2	181.4	271.6		228.1		270.2	
Apr.	180.2	239.2	159.2	183.2	271.6		228.1		270.2	
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	

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

(2) Excludes Gold.

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

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Date	- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued						
	Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gasoline	Coal Oil	Asphalt	Asphalt Shingles	Sulphur
1956 Average ...	206.7	167.6	138.5	136.2	184.1	159.1	205.6
1956 Jan.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	184.1	158.7	204.3
Feb.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	184.1	158.7	204.4
Mar.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	183.0	148.8	209.1
Apr.	201.5	167.2	137.8	136.2	183.0	148.8	209.0
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
- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded							
	Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Building Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1956 Average ...	131.3	206.9	154.5	144.1	165.2	200.2	288.6
1956 Jan.	127.9	205.2	153.9	144.8	183.7	199.7	286.8
Feb.	127.9	205.2	153.9	144.8	183.7	199.7	287.9
Mar.	127.9	205.2	153.9	144.8	183.7	199.7	287.9
Apr.	130.5	205.2	153.9	144.8	158.2	199.7	287.9
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

* Lime revised.

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 Jan.	178.5	144.8	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Feb.	178.6	145.5	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Mar.	179.5	145.9	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
Apr.	180.9	146.0	178.7	191.6	183.8	289.7
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
- 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 Jan.	143.6	195.5	159.0	131.6	200.6	
Feb.	143.6	195.5	159.4	130.4	200.6	
Mar.	143.6	195.5	162.5	131.3	200.6	
Apr.	143.6	206.9	163.0	132.9	200.6	
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	

TABLE 4. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian Funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly Average 1956	July 1956	June 1957	July 1957
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern	bu.	1.730	1.738	1.625	1.622
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.859	.846	.751	.747
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.057	1.035	.930	.930
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.252	1.256	1.022	1.087
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	100-lb. bag	5.800	5.900	5.800	5.800
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal	cwt.	7.299	7.268	10.000	9.850
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.742	1.790	1.010	1.150
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.672	.710	.620	.550
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75-lb. bag	2.310	4.531	1.469	1.620
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.408	20.810	19.670	19.540
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	25.985	27.650	31.600	35.120
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.153	.155	.130	.142
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.630	.620	.640	.640
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b. Ontario Factory	sq.ft.	.370	.370	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal	lb.	.586	.574	.587	.591
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.578	.651	.469	.605
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 1", New York 2/	lb.	-	.348	.338	.338
COTTON YARN, 10's, white	lb.	.712	.710	.690	.690
RAYON YARN, 36 filament, 150 denier	lb.	.798	.800	.840	.890
WOOL, Raw, Eastern Domestic, regular, Low Medium staple, greasy	lb.	.492	.500	.550	.550
WOOL, Raw, Australian, 64's, clean	lb.	1.438	1.430	1.620	1.620
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Mill, in Canadian funds (Southern Quebec)	ton	113.110	112.797	112.630	112.520
PINE, No. 1 and 2 common, 1"x8", 8'-16'	M bd.ft.	175.833	175.000	180.000	180.000
SPRUCE, Merchantable, 1"x6" - 7"	M bd.ft.	89.042	89.500	89.750	89.750
PIG IRON, Foundry 3/	gr.ton	-	61.000	68.070	65.000
SCRAP IRON, No. 1	gr.ton	50.583	49.000	49.000	49.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	41.355	39.429	29.475	27.875
LEAD, Pig, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	15.514	15.500	13.550	13.250
TIN INGOTS, 99.8%	lb.	1.011	.968	.955	.936
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	14.844	14.850	11.475	10.665
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.419	18.960	19.940	20.440
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.226	.226	.233	.233
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Winnipeg	gal.	.224	.224	.199	.199
CEMENT, Portland, Toronto	bbl.	3.390	3.410	3.440	3.440
CEMENT, Portland, Calgary	bbl.	3.160	3.180	3.210	3.035
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb.sq.	8.943	9.200	9.480	9.480
SODA ASH, 58% light	cwt.	-	2.470	2.440	2.440
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 August 1956 quotation referred to 15/16".

3/ Previous to July 1957 quotations referred to malleable.

TABLE 5. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -										
	Total Index*	Total Index (1949=100)	Cement, Sand and Gravel	Brick, Tile and Stone	Lumber and Its Pro- ducts	Lath, Plaster and Insu- lation	Roof- ing Mate- rials	Paint and Glass	Plumb- ing and Heat- ing Equip- ment	Elec- tri- cal Equip- ment and Fix- tures	Other Mater- ials
1926	48.1	109.6	105.5	103.2	110.9	101.4	104.3	156.8	110.2	91.6	112.0
1929	49.3	112.4	107.6	107.4	116.7	94.4	108.8	151.5	108.5	130.1	106.1
1932	38.4	87.5	103.7	101.8	72.7	85.0	95.5	111.7	108.1	79.1	89.5
1939	44.9	102.3	94.0	97.2	104.9	99.4	104.1	97.2	103.0	102.4	104.6
1940	48.4	110.3	94.6	98.0	119.1	99.7	110.4	115.2	106.5	107.1	109.2
1941	53.8	122.6	99.1	105.1	139.2	102.8	118.7	136.2	114.6	109.0	112.5
1942	57.4	130.9	100.8	109.0	153.2	104.8	123.4	146.9	120.0	110.3	117.6
1943	61.0	139.1	101.2	113.1	171.3	104.8	130.1	149.4	120.0	110.3	117.9
1944	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>1955</u>											
July	124.6	284.2	149.3	209.3	412.3	125.1	248.7	220.7	206.4	225.1	226.6
Aug.	125.2	285.5	149.3	209.3	413.7	125.1	248.7	219.8	208.6	225.1	232.1
Sept.	125.9	287.0	149.3	209.3	414.6	126.2	248.7	219.8	209.5	244.9	234.5
Oct.	125.9	287.0	149.3	209.3	413.9	126.2	248.7	223.1	209.5	245.3	237.8
Nov.	125.8	286.8	149.3	209.3	412.8	126.2	248.7	223.1	210.3	247.5	238.0
Dec.	126.1	287.8	149.6	209.3	414.6	126.2	248.7	223.9	210.3	247.5	238.0
<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

* 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)

Date	Total Index	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -					
		Aggregate, Cement and Concrete Mix	Blocks, Brick and Stone	Tile	Lumber and Lumber Products	Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Materials
1950	105.0	103.2	104.3	104.9	110.3	103.0	105.8
1951	118.6	111.3	113.0	110.6	128.3	115.7	125.4
1952	123.2	117.4	119.7	115.5	127.9	121.3	121.7
1953	124.4	120.2	125.9	117.1	127.8	119.2	119.6
1954	121.8	120.9	127.0	120.6	124.5	115.2	117.6
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 Jan	126.3	117.5	127.3	120.1	130.2	121.7	124.9
Feb.	126.5	117.5	126.9	120.1	130.2	122.6	124.9
Mar.	127.0	115.8	129.8	120.7	131.7	122.4	126.1
Apr.	127.1	115.6	129.8	121.8	132.4	122.4	126.1
May.	127.2	115.5	131.0	121.6	132.8	122.4	125.9
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	132.0	118.5	134.3	116.5	129.7	124.3	118.2
		Steel and Metal Work	Hardware	Lath Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscellaneous Materials
1950	107.3	103.8		98.7	104.7	100.5	97.7
1951	122.0	120.3		107.1	128.9	113.0	106.0
1952	131.3	125.9		109.7	134.5	115.6	106.4
1953	134.7	129.3		110.0	133.6	125.3	103.8
1954	128.2	125.4		109.7	132.8	128.2	100.9
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 Jan	135.1	139.9		108.9	136.5	139.6	95.7
Feb.	135.2	139.9		108.9	136.5	139.6	95.7
Mar.	135.2	143.8		108.9	136.5	139.6	95.7
Apr.	135.3	143.8		112.1	133.5	141.8	92.9
May.	135.3	143.8		112.5	133.5	141.8	92.9
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	157.7	151.6		116.6	139.6	145.2	93.7

TABLE 7. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

(1949 = 100)

	Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House-hold Opera-tion	Other Com-mod-i- ties & Services
1941	69.6	57.9	89.2	63.6	73.8	80.0
1942	72.9	63.4	90.7	65.8	76.0	82.0
1943	74.2	65.2	90.9	66.1	76.1	84.8
1944	74.6	65.5	91.2	66.6	75.7	86.1
1945	75.0	66.3	91.4	66.9	74.9	86.4
1946	77.5	70.0	91.8	69.2	77.2	88.7
1947	84.8	79.5	95.1	78.9	86.2	91.6
1948	97.0	97.5	98.3	95.6	96.8	96.5
1949	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950	102.9	102.6	106.2	99.7	102.4	103.1
1951	113.7	117.0	114.4	109.8	113.1	111.5
1952	116.5	116.8	120.2	111.8	116.2	116.0
1953	115.5	112.6	123.6	110.1	117.0	115.8
1954	116.2	112.2	126.5	109.4	117.4	117.4
1955	116.4	112.1	129.4	108.0	116.4	118.1
1956	118.1	113.4	132.5	108.6	117.1	120.9
<u>1954</u>	July	116.2	112.1	126.6	109.6	117.6
	August	117.0	114.4	127.0	109.6	117.2
	September	116.8	113.8	127.2	109.5	117.2
	October	116.8	113.8	127.4	108.4	117.3
	November	116.8	113.4	127.9	108.2	117.2
	December	116.6	112.6	128.2	108.1	118.2
<u>1955</u>	January	116.4	112.1	128.4	108.1	118.2
	February	116.3	111.5	128.5	108.1	118.3
	March	116.0	110.7	128.6	108.0	118.3
	April	116.1	111.0	128.7	107.9	118.2
	May	116.4	112.3	128.8	107.9	118.3
	June	115.9	111.0	129.2	107.8	117.8
	July	116.0	111.5	129.6	107.8	117.7
	August	116.4	112.4	129.8	107.8	118.0
	September	116.8	113.7	130.0	107.8	117.9
	October	116.9	113.5	130.2	107.8	118.1
	November	116.9	113.0	130.6	107.9	118.3
	December	116.9	112.4	131.0	108.5	118.3
<u>1956</u>	January	116.8	111.5	131.3	108.6	119.0
	February	116.4	109.9	131.5	108.6	119.3
	March	116.4	109.1	131.6	108.7	119.9
	April	116.6	109.7	131.9	108.7	120.1
	May	116.6	109.3	132.1	108.8	120.5
	June	117.8	112.5	132.6	108.6	120.6
	July	118.5	114.4	132.7	108.6	121.1
	August	119.1	115.9	133.0	108.4	121.3
	September	119.0	115.5	133.1	108.4	121.4
	October	119.8	117.4	133.3	108.5	121.6
	November	120.3	117.9	133.4	108.4	122.8
	December	120.4	117.5	133.5	108.6	122.9
<u>1957</u>	January	120.3	117.1	133.6	107.6	123.1
	February	120.5	117.2	133.8	107.4	123.8
	March	120.5	116.4	134.0	108.2	124.2
	April	120.9	116.7	134.0	108.5	125.1
	May	121.1	116.7	134.2	108.5	126.3
	June	121.6	117.7	134.8	108.4	126.5
	July	121.9	118.2	135.1	108.4	126.5

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

(1949 = 100)

	1954	1955	1956	July 1955	July 1956	May 1957	June 1957	July 1957
<u>Total Index</u>	116.2	116.4	118.1	116.0	118.5	121.1	121.6	121.9
<u>Food</u>	112.2	112.1	113.4	111.5	114.4	116.7	117.7	118.2
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	111.8	111.9	112.1	110.9	111.5	116.2	117.1	117.2
Cereal Products	122.4	122.0	125.0	121.7	125.4	132.4	132.6	132.7
Miscellaneous Groceries	121.9	123.1	121.8	122.5	121.3	128.9	128.7	127.4
<u>Shelter</u>	126.5	129.4	132.5	129.6	132.7	134.2	134.8	135.1
Rent	129.8	133.3	135.6	133.7	135.9	137.4	138.0	138.2
Home-Ownership	122.2	124.4	128.4	124.1	128.5	129.9	130.6	130.9
<u>Clothing</u>	109.4	108.0	108.6	107.8	108.6	108.5	108.4	108.4
Men's Wear	113.8	113.0	113.4	112.8	113.3	115.7	115.8	115.8
Women's Wear	100.9	98.4	98.9	98.2	99.1	96.4	96.1	96.1
Children's Wear	107.5	106.2	105.9	106.2	106.0	105.0	104.6	104.2
Footwear	127.6	127.3	129.6	127.0	129.4	131.7	132.1	132.1
Piece Goods	108.7	108.4	108.5	108.2	108.3	111.7	111.7	111.7
<u>Household Operation</u>	117.4	116.4	117.1	115.8	116.7	119.2	119.1	119.6
Fuel	114.9	112.7	114.8	110.7	113.3	118.5	117.0	117.4
Electricity	115.9	116.0	115.6	115.9	115.6	115.4	115.4	114.9
Home Furnishings	115.6	113.7	113.2	113.0	113.1	114.8	114.9	115.8
Furniture	117.6	115.9	116.2	115.3	116.1	119.6	119.6	119.7
Utensils and Equipment	122.1	123.1	125.5	122.9	125.4	130.3	130.5	131.0
Supplies and Services	121.8	122.9	124.2	123.0	124.3	126.6	127.2	127.5
Supplies	115.8	116.3	117.2	116.4	117.1	119.2	119.5	119.4
Services	126.0	127.4	129.1	127.6	129.2	131.7	132.4	133.1
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	117.4	118.1	120.9	117.7	121.1	126.3	126.5	126.5
Transportation	120.0	118.5	123.3	117.1	123.7	130.1	130.2	129.7
Automobile Operation	114.7	111.0	112.1	109.3	111.4	120.3	120.1	119.4
Recreation	119.5	122.6	125.3	123.0	125.9	130.2	130.5	130.9
Health Care	127.4	130.4	134.2	130.3	134.0	143.1	143.3	143.4
Drugs	109.5	111.0	111.7	111.0	111.7	113.6	115.0	115.0
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	107.3	107.4	107.7	107.5	107.6	109.6	109.6	109.6
Personal Care	117.9	118.0	120.5	117.6	120.8	127.2	128.2	128.4
Personal Supplies	113.6	112.7	112.4	111.9	112.3	115.7	116.9	117.2

TABLE 9. - PRICE RELATIVES FOR SPECIFIED FOODS INCLUDED IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(1949 = 100)

	Beef, Blade Roast	Beef, Sir- loin	Pork, Rib Chops	Bacon	Salmon, Canned	Chicken	Butter	Margarine
<u>1954</u>	99.7	109.4	116.8	113.2	96.6	95.8	99.0	117.5
<u>1955</u>	101.7	113.6	108.2	91.4	105.9	93.8	99.2	104.7
<u>1956</u>	101.7	115.9	113.2	91.9	112.0	91.7	98.3	102.9
<u>1956</u> May	93.9	107.9	100.2	81.4	110.3	93.3	98.4	99.7
June	98.6	114.5	113.3	83.1	110.3	93.9	97.8	101.9
July	101.5	119.7	120.1	85.4	110.3	94.5	97.5	103.7
<u>1956</u> Nov.	106.3	119.0	125.7	111.3	117.6	86.1	98.9	106.2
Dec.	105.2	116.6	129.0	113.9	119.6	86.3	99.2	106.5
<u>1957</u> Jan.	104.2	116.5	126.6	112.7	120.4	85.7	99.5	106.8
Feb.	106.3	116.3	126.9	112.5	120.8	86.3	99.7	107.5
Mar.	106.3	115.2	126.6	113.2	121.6	85.8	99.8	103.1
Apr.	106.5	116.6	124.0	112.0	122.0	86.5	99.8	105.6
May	109.2	120.4	123.1	110.9	122.0	87.1	99.8	105.9
June	110.2	123.4	136.0	117.7	122.8	89.1	99.4	106.5
July	108.3	124.1	140.1	121.7	122.4	89.9	99.4	106.2
	Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Toma- toes, Fresh	Carrots
<u>1954</u>	91.8	92.9	99.0	116.8	119.2	107.6	101.4	153.2
<u>1955</u>	91.8	99.9	102.5	108.2	117.9	134.5	100.4	152.8
<u>1956</u>	94.7	102.7	104.1	120.8	115.2	142.6	117.8	151.0
<u>1956</u> May	93.9	98.3	102.1	121.5	112.5	146.4	95.8	151.9
June	95.7	100.4	101.6	130.1	112.5	196.6	114.6	157.2
July	96.0	109.3	102.1	125.5	112.5	247.2	139.9	165.2
<u>1956</u> Nov.	95.1	110.0	109.3	122.7	120.1	109.4	103.9	134.6
Dec.	97.0	88.9	112.7	121.5	120.8	122.9	135.2	137.2
<u>1957</u> Jan.	98.8	85.2	113.7	118.7	120.8	127.2	110.8	141.2
Feb.	101.3	81.6	115.6	123.3	120.8	133.5	95.0	146.8
Mar.	101.9	82.3	116.1	123.3	119.4	125.7	102.7	156.6
Apr.	101.6	81.5	116.1	127.5	119.4	119.7	116.3	156.6
May	101.3	81.8	116.1	126.7	119.4	122.0	138.2	158.0
June	101.3	81.5	116.1	127.2	118.0	120.9	124.9	173.4
July	101.6	86.8	116.6	121.0	117.3	134.9	130.5	179.0
	Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Granu- lated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
<u>1954</u>	118.5	111.6	126.8	110.2	101.8	107.5	105.4	200.9
<u>1955</u>	118.5	112.8	126.4	106.4	99.7	110.3	129.5	173.7
<u>1956</u>	119.1	115.6	131.6	108.8	100.4	111.3	128.0	181.5
<u>1956</u> May	118.5	114.1	128.8	107.6	98.6	109.5	128.1	176.3
June	118.5	114.7	129.8	107.6	98.6	109.5	127.9	179.5
July	118.5	116.1	132.8	107.6	99.7	110.4	128.1	184.0
<u>1956</u> Nov.	121.9	118.5	137.8	111.9	100.8	113.8	127.5	189.5
Dec.	122.5	118.9	138.8	113.3	110.6	116.9	127.1	188.5
<u>1957</u> Jan.	124.2	120.6	139.8	113.3	116.0	117.7	129.6	187.1
Feb.	124.2	121.6	140.8	113.3	135.5	119.9	130.8	183.1
Mar.	124.2	120.2	140.8	113.3	135.5	121.6	131.2	181.3
Apr.	124.2	121.3	141.8	113.3	137.7	122.0	126.7	169.4
May	124.2	121.6	141.8	113.3	138.7	122.5	126.1	166.2
June	125.8	121.9	141.8	113.3	138.7	122.5	126.1	164.3
July	125.8	121.9	141.8	113.3	137.7	120.3	126.1	162.0

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	
	June 1951=100		1949=100								
1943		76.0	74.7	73.4	73.1	74.4	74.0	72.6	73.9	72.4	
1944		76.9	75.4	73.6	73.3	74.9	74.5	73.5	74.6	72.8	
1945		77.6	75.8	74.4	73.8	75.3	75.2	74.0	75.3	73.6	
1946		79.6	77.9	76.9	76.5	77.9	77.5	76.6	77.8	75.9	
1947		86.3	84.6	84.3	84.5	85.5	84.3	84.4	84.6	83.3	
1948		96.8	97.0	96.6	96.5	97.0	95.8	96.9	96.1	96.0	
1949		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
1950		102.1	103.3	103.7	103.1	104.1	103.8	102.2	103.9	103.6	
1951		112.1	114.1	116.1	115.3	115.4	114.6	111.7	113.5	114.3	
1952		103.5	115.3	117.4	117.6	116.8	117.5	116.1	112.8	114.8	
1953		102.2	113.2	115.3	116.3	115.0	116.8	114.4	113.1	114.0	
1954		102.8	114.1	116.6	116.8	116.2	118.3	115.3	114.2	117.4	
1955		104.2	114.8	117.7	116.9	117.2	118.8	115.9	114.6	117.9	
1956		106.8	116.1	118.8	118.4	119.2	120.6	117.2	115.8	119.6	
<u>1954</u>	July	102.6	113.8	116.2	117.2	116.4	118.8	115.5	114.1	114.8	
	August	104.4	115.3	117.6	117.2	117.0	119.0	116.4	115.3	115.4	
	September	103.4	114.8	117.7	116.6	116.9	118.8	115.7	115.1	118.1	
	October	103.0	114.6	117.6	117.0	117.3	118.9	115.5	115.2	118.6	
	November	102.8	114.5	117.5	117.1	117.2	118.9	115.7	114.8	115.3	
	December	102.9	114.5	117.5	117.0	117.0	118.8	115.5	113.9	118.3	
<u>1955</u>	January	102.6	114.3	117.4	117.1	117.0	118.9	115.5	113.9	114.6	
	February	102.7	114.6	117.6	117.1	117.0	118.7	115.4	113.8	114.5	
	March	102.9	114.5	117.6	116.7	116.8	118.2	115.2	113.7	114.2	
	April	103.5	114.6	117.6	116.7	116.9	118.4	115.3	113.9	117.2	
	May	105.0	115.4	118.1	117.0	117.3	118.9	115.6	114.4	114.2	
	June	104.3	114.6	117.3	116.3	116.9	118.3	115.0	114.3	113.8	
	July	104.5	114.7	117.3	116.7	117.0	118.7	115.5	114.3	116.5	
	August	105.8	115.1	117.8	116.8	117.3	118.5	116.1	115.1	116.8	
	September	105.1	115.2	118.1	117.1	117.5	119.2	116.5	115.4	115.2	
	October	104.8	114.9	117.8	117.0	117.7	119.4	116.6	115.5	118.5	
	November	104.6	114.9	117.6	117.1	117.7	119.0	116.9	115.6	118.6	
	December	104.5	114.7	117.7	116.7	117.8	118.9	116.9	115.7	120.3	
<u>1956</u>	January	104.7	114.5	117.4	117.4	117.5	118.8	116.8	115.2	114.8	
	February	104.9	114.1	117.1	117.0	117.3	118.3	116.5	114.7	114.1	
	March	105.0	114.3	117.4	116.7	117.3	118.2	116.8	114.7	114.3	
	April	105.9	114.8	117.6	116.7	117.7	118.7	116.5	114.9	114.6	
	May	106.6	114.7	117.5	116.6	117.7	119.1	116.1	114.6	114.3	
	June	107.6	115.6	118.2	118.1	118.8	120.4	116.6	115.2	114.9	
	July	108.1	116.0	118.7	119.1	119.4	121.5	117.6	115.6	119.3	
	August	110.2	117.6	120.3	118.9	120.4	122.0	117.0	116.2	119.6	
	September	107.3	117.2	119.6	118.8	120.0	121.7	117.5	116.8	120.5	
	October	106.9	117.7	120.0	119.9	120.9	122.5	118.1	117.2	121.2	
	November	107.0	118.0	120.4	120.9	121.5	123.1	118.4	117.2	121.5	
	December	107.5	118.5	121.1	120.7	121.6	123.1	118.4	117.1	121.7	
<u>1957</u>	January	107.7	118.6	121.2	120.6	121.4	123.1	118.8	117.1	117.2	
	February	108.5	118.8	122.1	120.5	121.6	123.4	118.7	117.6	117.4	
	March	108.8	118.7	122.1	120.3	121.6	123.5	118.4	117.8	117.4	
	April	108.7	119.4	122.1	120.5	122.4	124.2	119.2	117.9	122.2	
	May	109.3	119.1	121.9	120.7	122.8	125.0	119.2	117.9	118.1	
	June	109.5	119.1	122.0	121.5	123.2	125.2	119.6	118.8	121.5	
	July	109.6	119.3	122.4	122.0	123.4	125.5	120.0	119.3	121.7	

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

(1949 = 100)

		St. John's Nfld. 1.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saskatoon- Regina	Edmonton- Calgary	Van- couver
<u>Food Index</u>											
<u>1954</u>	October	101.3	108.4	113.8	115.0	113.8	111.9	111.7	114.1	112.7	113.5
	November	100.9	107.5	113.4	115.6	112.7	111.2	112.0	112.5	112.1	112.3
	December	101.1	107.8	113.2	115.3	112.0	110.5	110.9	110.2	110.7	111.6
<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
<u>Shelter Index</u>											
<u>1956</u>	April	109.7	125.4	127.6	136.2	136.2	148.3	127.3	118.1	121.2	128.2
	May	109.8	125.6	128.5	136.2	136.8	148.3	127.6	118.1	121.2	128.2
	June	109.8	125.8	129.9	137.5	137.3	148.7	127.6	118.1	121.2	128.4
	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

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

TABLE 10. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Concluded
(1949 = 100)

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		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>	April	100.8	114.8	116.7	108.0	111.6	111.3	113.2	114.8	113.8	113.3
	May	100.8	114.2	116.7	108.0	111.4	111.2	113.2	114.8	113.9	113.5
	June	100.8	114.5	116.8	107.8	111.4	111.1	112.8	114.7	113.9	113.7
	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
Household Operation Index											
<u>1956</u>	April	104.4	119.9	117.4	114.9	116.4	115.5	114.0	116.5	116.6	128.0
	May	104.5	119.9	117.4	114.7	116.4	116.5	113.9	116.4	116.8	124.1
	June	104.4	120.4	117.6	114.8	115.9	116.4	113.5	116.6	117.0	125.0
	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
Other Commodities and Services Index											
<u>1956</u>	April	113.0	119.7	124.5	119.9	123.7	120.2	121.0	116.5	119.6	120.2
	May	114.5	120.3	124.8	120.5	124.2	120.9	120.8	116.5	119.7	120.1
	June	114.5	120.3	124.8	120.6	124.2	120.9	121.6	116.5	119.7	120.7
	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

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	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	43.82	42.59	105.1	102.1	102.9
1951 - Average	48.82	42.94	117.0	102.9	113.7
1952 - Average	53.62	46.03	128.6	110.4	116.5
1953 - Average	56.09	48.56	134.5	116.4	115.5
1954 - Average	57.16	49.19	137.0	117.9	116.2
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>1954</u> - Oct. 1	57.70	49.40	138.3	118.4	116.8
Nov. 1	58.03	49.68	139.1	119.1	116.8
Dec. 1	58.17	49.89	139.5	119.6	116.6
<u>1955</u> - Jan. 1	56.12	48.21	134.5	115.6	116.4
Feb. 1	58.51	50.31	140.3	120.6	116.3
Mar. 1	59.12	50.97	141.7	122.2	116.0
Apr. 1	59.31	51.09	142.2	122.5	116.1
May 1	59.90	51.46	143.6	123.4	116.4
June 1	59.66	51.48	143.0	123.4	115.9
July 1	59.31	51.13	142.2	122.6	116.0
Aug. 1	59.20	50.86	141.9	121.9	116.4
Sept. 1	59.25	50.73	142.1	121.6	116.8
Oct. 1	60.09	51.40	144.1	123.2	116.9
Nov. 1	60.63	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	65.04 (P)	53.49 (P)	155.9 (P)	128.2 (P)	121.6

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

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

(P) Preliminary.

TABLE 12. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

(1935-39=100)

	Composite Index Exclusive of Living Component (a)	Farm Machinery	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates	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 - April	239.3	197.8	204.1	174.6	450.8	204.2	225.3
1955 - April	240.8	198.1	204.7	177.2	454.2	203.8	226.0
1956 - January	236.3	209.4	206.0	184.7	413.4	203.2	223.1
- 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
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 - April	238.5	194.2	203.5	164.5	419.2	201.5	223.7
1955 - April	243.1	195.1	205.3	168.4	433.4	201.7	226.6
1956 - January	243.4	207.2	204.5	178.8	427.0	200.8	226.4
- 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
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 - April	240.2	199.2	204.7	183.2	495.7	206.9	226.9
1955 - April	238.5	199.3	204.1	184.8	483.8	205.9	225.4
1956 - January	229.3	210.3	207.4	189.8	394.0	205.7	219.9
- 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

(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 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$
1. Corn, cracked	3.95	3.87	3.86	4.09	4.14	4.13	3.74	3.59	3.56
2. Oats, unground	3.14	2.86	2.83	3.40	3.01	2.98	3.15	2.85	2.82
3. Barley, ground	3.09	2.85	2.80	3.30	2.99	2.94	3.01	2.76	2.72
4. Wheat, unground	3.01	3.08	3.03	3.23	3.34	3.31	2.92	3.02	2.96
5. Bran	2.80	2.67	2.60	2.83	2.65	2.55	2.72	2.56	2.47
6. Shorts	2.94	2.80	2.75	2.98	2.77	2.71	2.90	2.71	2.63
7. Middlings	3.09	2.98	2.94	3.12	2.98	2.92	3.07	2.90	2.86
8. Linseed oil meal	4.96	4.81	4.81	5.00	4.91	4.91	4.78	4.68	4.69
9. Soybean oil meal	4.72	4.39	4.38	4.96	4.71	4.69	4.60	4.17	4.13
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.23	5.15	5.15	4.98	5.01	5.09	4.91	4.82	4.82
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.59	3.53	3.51	3.63	3.56	3.52	3.46	3.38	3.37
12. Dairy supplement (24%) (East)	4.18	4.19	4.16	4.23	4.20	4.16	4.03	4.15	4.10
13. Dairy supplement (32%) (West)	5.19	5.13	5.12	-	-	-	-	-	-
14. Pig starter mash	4.51	4.47	4.45	4.31	4.39	4.37	4.20	4.16	4.14
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.43	5.29	5.28	6.02	5.98	5.92	5.53	5.36	5.35
16. Hog grower mash	3.73	3.64	3.62	3.83	3.74	3.69	3.66	3.58	3.56
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.75	4.70	4.69	4.85	4.81	4.81	4.46	4.40	4.38
18. Growing mash	4.24	4.15	4.12	4.22	4.16	4.10	4.23	4.13	4.12
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.28	4.24	4.21	4.32	4.33	4.26	4.27	4.22	4.19
20. Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.05	4.97	4.93	5.10	4.99	4.97	4.96	4.92	4.86
21. Turkey growing mash	4.65	4.62	4.59	4.78	4.72	4.69	4.55	4.56	4.54

	ONTARIO			PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA		
	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$
1. Corn, cracked	3.64	3.71	3.68	5.16	5.13	5.22	4.55	4.20	4.20
2. Oats, unground	3.12	2.85	2.82	2.68	2.49	2.48	3.27	3.03	2.98
3. Barley, ground	3.11	2.85	2.80	2.74	2.59	2.60	3.23	3.03	2.99
4. Wheat, unground	2.98	3.03	2.98	2.82	2.73	2.72	3.16	3.23	3.17
5. Bran	2.86	2.70	2.62	2.76	2.74	2.72	2.81	2.70	2.68
6. Shorts	2.98	2.83	2.76	2.87	2.86	2.84	2.96	2.84	2.82
7. Middlings	3.13	3.05	2.99	2.85	2.77	2.74	3.15	3.10	3.09
8. Linseed oil meal	4.74	4.59	4.59	5.26	5.11	5.07	5.24	5.02	5.04
9. Soybean oil meal	4.52	4.16	4.14	4.90	5.02	5.02	5.00	4.74	4.74
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.08	4.99	4.97	5.17	5.12	5.12	6.18	6.13	6.14
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.71	3.66	3.62	3.54	3.44	3.47	3.60	3.61	3.57
12. Dairy supplement (24%)	4.25	4.21	4.19	-	-	-	-	-	-
13. Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.16	5.07	5.06	5.23	5.26	5.22
14. Pig starter mash	4.68	4.60	4.57	4.93	4.91	4.88	4.32	4.26	4.23
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.30	5.04	5.01	5.32	5.29	5.30	5.85	5.77	5.71
16. Hog grower mash	3.72	3.59	3.57	3.65	3.50	3.50	3.89	3.86	3.85
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.80	4.77	4.76	4.94	4.91	4.91	4.82	4.80	4.78
18. Growing mash	4.17	4.09	4.06	4.32	4.16	4.14	4.28	4.24	4.23
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.27	4.17	4.16	4.30	4.31	4.29	4.27	4.22	4.19
20. Broiler starter (20-23%)	5.01	4.83	4.77	5.11	4.98	4.98	5.13	5.21	5.16
21. Turkey growing mash	4.79	4.68	4.64	4.57	4.51	4.51	4.61	4.67	4.64

	ONTARIO			PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA		
	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$	1956 July \$	1957 June \$	1957 July \$
1. Corn, cracked	3.64	3.71	3.68	5.16	5.13	5.22	4.55	4.20	4.20
2. Oats, unground	3.12	2.85	2.82	2.68	2.49	2.48	3.27	3.03	2.98
3. Barley, ground	3.11	2.85	2.80	2.74	2.59	2.60	3.23	3.03	2.99
4. Wheat, unground	2.98	3.03	2.98	2.82	2.73	2.72	3.16	3.23	3.17
5. Bran	2.86	2.70	2.62	2.76	2.74	2.72	2.81	2.70	2.68
6. Shorts	2.98	2.83	2.76	2.87	2.86	2.84	2.96	2.84	2.82
7. Middlings	3.13	3.05	2.99	2.85	2.77	2.74	3.15	3.10	3.09
8. Linseed oil meal	4.74	4.59	4.59	5.26	5.11	5.07	5.24	5.02	5.04
9. Soybean oil meal	4.52	4.16	4.14	4.90	5.02	5.02	5.00	4.74	4.74
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.08	4.99	4.97	5.17	5.12	5.12	6.18	6.13	6.14
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.71	3.66	3.62	3.54	3.44	3.47	3.60	3.61	3.57
12. Dairy supplement (24%)	4.25	4.21	4.19	-	-	-	-	-	-
13. Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.16	5.07	5.06	5.23	5.26	5.22
14. Pig starter mash	4.68	4.60	4.57	4.93	4.91	4.88	4.32	4.26	4.23
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.30	5.04	5.01	5.32	5.29	5.30	5.85	5.77	5.71
16. Hog grower mash	3.72	3.59	3.57	3.65	3.50	3.50	3.89	3.86	3.85
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.80	4.77	4.76	4.94	4.91	4.91	4.82	4.80	4.78
18. Growing mash	4.17	4.09	4.06	4.32	4.16	4.14	4.28	4.24	4.23
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.27	4.17	4.16	4.30	4.31	4.29	4.27	4.22	4.19
20. Broiler starter (20-23%)	5.01	4.83	4.77	5.11	4.98	4.98	5.13	5.21	5.16
21. Turkey growing mash	4.79	4.68	4.64	4.57	4.51	4.51	4.61	4.67	4.64

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	July Average	June Average	July Average
United States	dollar	.9863	.9841	.9818	.9532	.9509
United Kingdom	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7430	2.6602	2.6512
Argentina	peso (free)	.06386	.02826	.03112	.02370	.02261
Australia	pound	2.2054	2.2014	2.1944	2.1282	2.1210
Belgium (1)	franc	.01964	.01972	.01973	.01895	.01892
Brazil	cruzeiro (free)	.01344	.01355	.01248	.01310	.01326
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5737	.5733	.5715	.5542	.5523
Ceylon	rupee	.2065	.2064	.2057	.1995	.1988
Chile	peso	.00493	.00232	.00199	.00161	.00159
Colombia (2)	peso (basic)	.3945	.3937	.3928	.1966	.1963
Cuba	peso	.9863	.9841	.9819	.9532	.9509
Denmark	krone	.1428	.1425	.1422	.1380	.1377
Egypt	pound	2.8322	2.8262	2.8194	2.7372	2.7307
France and North Africa	franc	.00282	.00281	.00281	.00272	.00272
Germany	deutsche mark	.2343	.2342	.2342	.2269	.2264
Hong Kong	dollar	.1721	.1720	.1714	.1663	.1657
India	rupee	.2065	.2064	.2057	.1995	.1988
Ireland	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7430	2.6602	2.6512
Italy	lira	.00158	.00158	.00158	.00153	.00153
Jamaica	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7430	2.6602	2.6512
Japan	yen	.00274	.00273	.00273	.00265	.00264
Lebanon	pound (free)	.3046	.3056	.3048	.2980	.2986
Mexico	peso	.07890	.07873	.07855	.07626	.07608
Netherlands	guilder	.2588	.2571	.2564	.2489	.2485
New Zealand	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7430	2.6602	2.6512
Norway	krone	.1381	.1378	.1375	.1335	.1331
Pakistan	rupee	.2597	.2064	.2057	.1995	.1988
Peru	sol-certificat	.05191	.05179	.05168	.05017	.05005
Phillipines	peso	.4931	.4920	.4909	.4766	.4755
Portugal	escudo	.03442	.03434	.03427	.03326	.03319
Singapore	dollar	.3213	.3210	.3200	.3104	.3093
Sweden	krona	.1906	.1902	.1898	.1843	.1838
Switzerland	franc	.2301	.2297	.2291	.2225	.2219
Turkey	lira	.3522	.3514	.3507	.3404	.3396
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7430	2.6602	2.6512
Venezuela	bolivar	.2944	.2937	.2931	.2845	.2838
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00329	.00328	.00327	.00318	.00317

For further information 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

(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX										
	INVE- STORS' TOTAL	TOTAL INDUS- RIES	Machin- ery and Equip- ment	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Pro- ducts	Bever- ages	Build- ing Mate- rials	
	(95)	(75)	(10)	(9)	(2)	(5)	(8)	(14)	(10)	(15)	
1939	91.6	91.2	100.9	81.7	100.6	83.6	95.0	109.6	98.1	98.3	
1940	77.4	74.2	88.9	90.7	94.2	62.2	121.8	103.3	100.8	90.6	
1941	67.5	63.9	75.6	68.8	70.6	50.0	105.4	91.0	95.9	78.3	
1942	64.2	60.4	76.5	62.9	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	
<u>1955</u>	Jan. ..	207.3	211.0	554.2	840.5	157.9	161.0	179.6	154.7	511.0	395.9
	Feb. ..	214.7	219.2	592.7	873.6	171.0	162.0	178.2	157.6	518.7	407.4
	Mar. ..	213.7	218.0	616.4	864.5	162.1	158.5	173.0	159.9	511.8	404.6
	Apr. ..	216.5	222.0	641.3	911.0	172.7	157.5	169.4	169.8	507.8	408.6
	May ..	222.1	227.8	658.4	991.4	180.1	154.0	170.0	171.0	556.7	423.7
	June ..	237.1	244.4	726.2	1,044.7	183.8	163.6	172.4	177.2	582.2	447.7
	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
<u>Weekly Index</u>											
July 4	287.5	305.0	931.7	1,007.3	138.0	278.9	156.8	202.3	507.3	484.4	
July 11	285.8	303.0	937.7	1,006.1	139.9	274.7	165.5	204.3	504.0	483.3	
July 18	285.2	302.1	930.4	993.0	136.1	275.5	163.5	208.7	509.2	484.7	
July 25	280.3	296.5	928.9	961.2	136.1	267.7	164.2	202.7	504.4	481.1	

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

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(1935-39=100)

Number of Stocks	INVESTOR'S 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)	Golds (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	60.1	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
1955 Jan. ..	152.5	181.0	329.6	117.5	165.6	230.8	102.7	68.3	181.3	175.6
Feb. ..	164.8	184.0	336.6	119.4	167.7	241.1	106.4	69.3	191.3	176.0
Mar. ..	162.8	185.2	339.7	119.8	168.9	236.5	105.7	69.0	189.6	176.2
Apr. ..	166.3	185.6	338.8	118.1	173.6	233.0	110.2	71.1	199.8	175.4
May ..	170.8	191.7	362.5	122.1	173.4	234.4	114.2	72.8	209.0	176.1
June ..	188.1	202.9	388.7	128.0	183.1	243.3	121.5	75.9	226.0	177.9
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
1956 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
1957 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
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
July 4	209.0	216.0	399.8	105.6	267.1	276.9	125.4	81.0	227.1	
July 11	206.2	214.7	399.9	106.1	261.9	276.7	124.2	80.3	224.7	(2)
July 18	202.7	214.2	396.8	105.3	263.6	279.2	121.0	78.1	219.1	
July 25	199.3	210.5	395.5	103.9	255.6	278.5	120.4	77.8	217.8	

(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	1957					
				Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES									
Australia	1952 - 53		114.3(1)		113.7			114.8	
Canada	1949	100.0	118.1	120.5	120.5	120.9	121.1	121.6	121.9
France (Paris) ...	1949	100.0	147.1	148.9	147.3	147.1	148.0	149.0	
Germany	1950	107	113	114	114	114	114	115	
India	1949	100	105	107	107	107			
Italy	1938	4,915	6,266	6,335	6,304	6,300	6,322		
Japan	1951	92.2	118.4	121.5	122.4	122.6			
Mexico	1939	335.9	575.3	563.8	572.2	582.2			
Netherlands	1951		108	115	114	115	116		
Norway	1949	100	148	151	152	153			
South Africa	1938	153.2	205.9	208.5	208.9	208.9	209.5	210.2	
Sweden	1949	100	139	144	143	144	144		
Switzerland	August 1939		175	176.8	176.3	176.9	178.0	178.1	
United Kingdom ...	Jan. 17, 1956(3)		102.0	104.3	104.1	104.5	104.6	105.7	
United States	1947 - 49	101.8	116.2	118.7	118.9	119.3	119.6	120.2	
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES									
Australia	1936 - 39		334 (2)	345	344				
Canada	1935 - 39	198.3	225.6	228.4	228.4	228.4	228.0	228.0	228.2
France	1949		141.6	144.4	143.6	143.8	146.2	146.1	
Germany	1950		129	130	129	131			
India	1952 - 53			106.9(r)	105.5				
Italy	1938	5,169	5,380	5,322	5,270	5,222	5,206		
Japan (Tokyo)	1952		102.2	106.6	106.6	106.5	106.0		
Mexico (Mexico City)	1939	268.1	530.9	528.2	532.0	541.7	546.3	550.4	
Netherlands	1948	104	140	144	143	144			
Norway	1952		108	111	111	111			
South Africa	1938	184.7	275.3	278.4	276.3	276.1			
Sweden	1935	216	325	327	324	324			
Switzerland	August 1939		220.0	223.3	222.7	224.4	225.1	226.3	
United Kingdom ...	June 30, 1949(4)		156.2	159.6	159.1	160.2	159.8(r)	155.8	
United Kingdom ...	June 30, 1949(5)		135.6	138.2	138.3	138.6	138.7(r)	138.5	
United States	1947 - 49	99.2	114.3	117.0	116.9	117.2	117.1		

r - Revised. 1. Average from July 1956 to June 1957. 2. Average from July 1955 to June 1956.

3. Publication of interim series (17 June 1947 = 100) discontinued.

4. Basic Materials Index (excl. fuel) for non-food manufacturing industries.

5. All manufactured products other than fuel, food and tobacco.

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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

Canadian 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 year 1956-1957 currently in the index are 65 cents per bushel 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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