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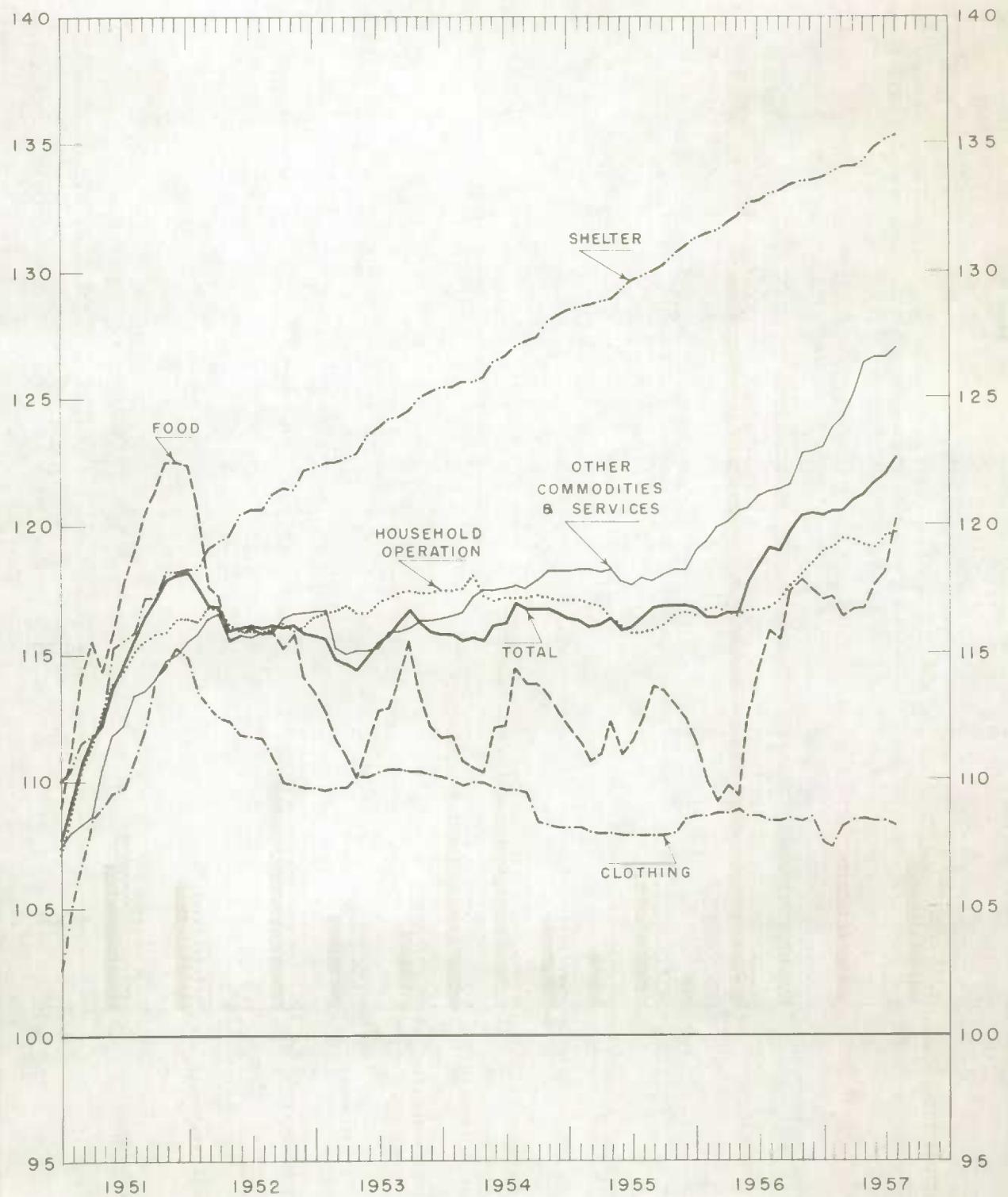
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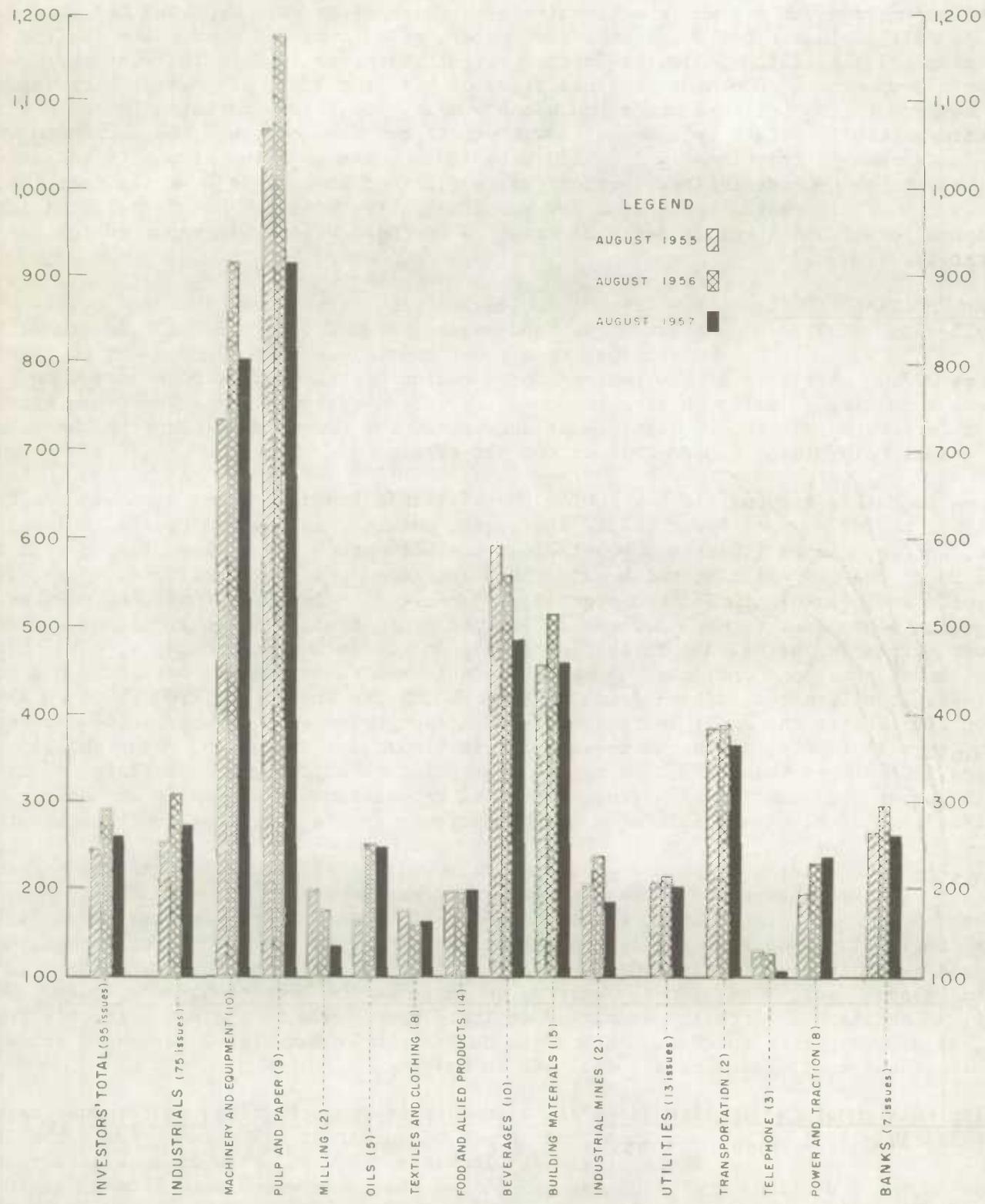
TOTAL AND MAIN COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

JANUARY 1951 TO DATE

(1949 = 100)



PRICE INDEXES OF COMMON STOCKS
AUGUST 1955, 1956 AND 1957
(1935-1939 = 100)



NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: The Consumer Price Index advanced 0.6 per cent from 121.9 to 122.6 between July and August. The change was largely seasonal in nature, and attributable mainly to an increase of 1.7 per cent in the Food index from 118.2 to 120.2. Decreases were reported for all fresh vegetables, apples and coffee, while substantially higher prices were reported for eggs and pork, as well as lesser price advances for butter, grapefruit and beef. The shelter index moved from 135.1 to 135.3 following further slight increases in both the rent and home-ownership components. Clothing declined from 108.4 to 108.2 as sale prices were reported for a number of items of both men's and women's wear. Seasonal increases in the price of coal were partially offset by somewhat lower prices for fuel oil, and the Household Operation index changed fractionally from 119.6 to 119.7. A scattering of small increases throughout Other Commodities and Services was sufficient to move this series from 126.5 to 126.9. Small increases were noted for gasoline, street car and bus fares, taxi fares, newspapers, drugs and items of personal care. A further advance was reported for hospital room rates.

GENERAL WHOLESALE INDEX: The General Wholesale Price Index moved downward negligibly between July and August, from 228.2 to 227.6. The index has moved less than 1 per cent since last August when the index stood at 227.0, whereas over the twelve months ending August 1956 it rose more than 3 per cent from 219.7. Although five component groups moved lower, only Vegetable Products and Non-ferrous Metals showed significant decreases, the downward movement in the other three groups being less than one-half of one per cent.

Mainly responsible for moving the Vegetable Products group down 1.2 per cent, from 195.2 to 192.8, were lower prices for sugar, potatoes in Eastern Canada, onions, raw rubber, coffee, canned fruits and vegetables, hay, livestock and poultry feeds, milled cereal foods and most grains, which outweighed increased prices for oranges, cocoa, vegetable oils and potatoes in Western centres. Non-ferrous Metals continued its downward trend which began last summer, decreasing 1.2 per cent, from 172.4 to 170.4, as a result of lower prices for nickel and further decreases in copper and its products, zinc, tin ingots, brass sheet and antimony. Textile Products and Wood Products both were 0.3 per cent lower, the former declining from 237.4 to 236.8, and the latter from 299.8 to 299.0; the contributors to the small decreases in these two groups were reduced prices for raw cotton, overall fabric, merchantable spruce, fir timber and dimension, cedar shiplap and shingles, which more than offset increased prices for botany serge, wool cloth, kraft wrapping paper and cedar bevel siding. Chemical Products was practically unchanged, moving from 182.9 to 182.8, as a result of a slight decrease in the prices of some paint materials

Of the three component groups which moved up, all increases were less than one per cent. Iron and its products was higher by 0.8 per cent from 254.3 to 256.4, due to increased prices for steel scrap, chain and tee rails. Animal Products was only slightly higher, moving from 245.8 to 246.1. Higher prices were recorded for butter in most centres hides and skins, eggs in Western Canada, calves, pork products and tallow, while eggs in Eastern Canada, beef, hogs, lambs, poultry, and milk on the West coast were lower. Non-metallic Minerals was virtually unchanged at 188.7 compared with 188.6 for the previous month, as higher prices for U.S. Anthracite coal slightly outweighed decreased prices for U.S. Bituminous coal, gasoline and coal oil in Calgary.

CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS: The index of Canadian Farm Product Prices at terminal markets (1935-39 = 100) was almost unchanged in August at 212.6 compared to the July level of 212.7. In Field Products price changes were fairly widespread, with declines overbalancing gains, and the index moved down from 155.1 to

153.8. Items working lower included potatoes and most grains in the East, while the Western series reflected the five cent drop in the initial payment for oats announced for the 1957-58 crop year. Increases were reported, on the other hand, for Western rye, flax and potatoes, and Eastern oats and corn. The Animal Products index advanced from 270.2 to 271.3 reflecting gains for calves, butterfat and cheesemilk and, in the West, for hogs and eggs. These outweighed losses for steers, lambs, Eastern hogs, eggs and poultry, and Western fluid milk. Regional grouping showed a decline from 231.1 to 229.8 for the Eastern composite index, while the Western series advanced from 194.3 to 195.3.

BUILDING MATERIALS INDEXES: The Residential Building Materials Price Index (1935-39 = 100) edged lower between July and August from 294.1 to 293.3. The Non-residential Building Materials series (1949 = 100) was also fractionally lower at 130.4 compared to 130.6 (revised) for July. Reflected in the movement were lower quotations for a number of lumber specifications, for items affected by the price of copper, and shellac. In addition, lower cedar shingles were noted in the Residential Roofing index, while the Non-residential series was affected by price declines for concrete mix and gyproc lath. Terra cotta blocks and linseed oil were higher in the latter series.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES: (1935-1939 = 100) The Investors' Index of 95 common stocks, in the sharpest monthly change since September 1946, dropped 9.0 per cent between July and August, from 284.7 to 259.0. At this point it was at the lowest level since February 1956 when the index stood at 249.2. The three major groups all shared in the decline, with 75 Industrials down 9.7 per cent from 301.6 to 272.4, 7 Banks 6.3 per cent from 277.8 to 260.2, and 13 Utilities 6.2 per cent from 213.8 to 200.6. Losses were experienced by all sub-groups led by substantial drops for Machinery and Equipment, down 13.8 per cent, Industrial Mines 10.7, Oils 10.3, Power and Traction 9.2, Transportation 8.4, and Pulp and Paper 7.7. Declines among the remaining groups ranged down to 1.0 per cent for Telephone issues.

Comparable weakness occurred in Mining stocks as the composite index of 27 issues fell 10.8 per cent from 122.8 to 109.5. Six Base Metals dropped 13.3 per cent from 222.2 to 192.6 while 21 Golds fell 7.7 per cent from 79.3 to 73.2.

The index for 28 Preferred Stocks was steady in this period, showing only a minor change from 150.0 to 149.4.

TABLE 1. - SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE INDEXES

	INDEXES				PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	August 1955	August 1956	July 1957	August 1957	August 1957	August 1957	August 1957
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100) (1)</u>							
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	219.7	227.0	228.2	227.6	+ 3.6	+ 0.3	- 0.3
Vegetable Products	193.9	198.6	195.2	192.8	- 0.6	- 2.9	- 1.2
Animal Products	228.6	234.0	245.8	246.1	+ 7.7	+ 5.2	+ 0.1
Textile Products	226.0	230.1	237.4	236.8	+ 4.8	+ 2.9	- 0.3
Wood Products	296.0	303.8	299.8	299.0	+ 1.0	- 1.6	- 0.3
Iron Products	226.5	243.7	254.3	256.4	+ 13.2	+ 5.2	+ 0.8
Non-ferrous Metals	188.8	195.4	172.4	170.4	- 9.7	- 12.8	- 1.2
Non-metallic Minerals	173.7	180.3	188.6	188.7	+ 8.6	+ 4.7	+ 0.05
Chemical Products	176.5	180.6	182.9	182.8	+ 3.6	+ 1.2	- 0.05
<u>CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS (1)(2)</u>	211.7	214.7	212.7	212.6	-	-	-
Eastern Total	222.4	237.6	231.1	229.8	-	-	-
Western Total	201.0	191.8	194.3	195.3	-	-	-
Field	172.7	171.1	155.1	153.8	-	-	-
Animal	250.6	258.2	270.2	271.3	-	-	-
<u>SELECTED PRICE INDEXES (1)</u>							
Canadian Industrial Materials	240.9	249.2	239.8	238.6	- 1.0	- 4.3	- 0.5
Residential Building Materials (1949=100)	125.2	129.0	129.0	128.6	+ 2.7	- 0.3	- 0.3
Non-Residential Building Materials (1949=100)	124.9	129.4	130.6*	130.4	+ 4.4	+ 0.8	- 0.2
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES (1949=100)</u>							
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	116.4	119.1	121.9	122.6	+ 5.3	+ 2.9	+ 0.6
Food	112.4	115.9	118.2	120.2	+ 6.9	+ 3.7	+ 1.7
Shelter	129.8	133.0	135.1	135.3	+ 4.2	+ 1.7	+ 0.1
Clothing	107.8	108.4	108.4	108.2	+ 0.4	- 0.2	- 0.2
Household Operation	115.8	116.8	119.6	119.7	+ 3.4	+ 2.5	+ 0.1
Other Commodities and Services	118.0	121.3	126.5	126.9	+ 7.5	+ 4.6	+ 0.3
<u>SECURITY PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)</u>							
<u>TOTAL INVESTORS' INDEX</u>	245.3	291.8	284.7	259.0	+ 5.6	- 11.2	- 9.0
Total Industrials	252.3	308.9	301.6	272.4	+ 8.0	- 11.8	- 9.7
Machinery & Equipment	735.6	915.4	932.2	803.9	+ 9.3	- 12.2	- 13.8
Pulp & Paper	1,066.9	1,175.3	991.9	915.9	- 14.2	- 22.1	- 7.7
Milling	198.5	175.2	137.5	135.8	- 31.6	- 22.5	- 1.2
Oils	164.7	250.1	274.2	245.9	+ 49.3	- 1.7	- 10.3
Textiles & Clothing	176.2	158.3	162.5	160.3	- 9.0	+ 1.3	- 1.4
Foods	194.8	195.5	204.5	195.8	+ 0.5	+ 0.2	- 4.3
Beverages	592.0	558.6	506.2	485.9	- 17.9	- 13.0	- 4.0
Building Materials	457.2	514.2	483.4	458.3	+ 0.2	- 10.9	- 5.2
Industrial Mines	203.0	237.3	204.3	182.4	- 10.1	- 23.1	- 10.7
Total Utilities	207.0	215.7	213.8	200.6	- 3.1	- 7.0	- 6.2
Transportation	383.2	389.1	398.0	364.5	- 4.9	- 6.3	- 8.4
Telephone	129.5	124.9	105.2	104.1	- 19.6	- 16.7	- 1.0
Power and Traction	195.2	228.0	262.0	237.8	+ 21.8	+ 4.3	- 9.2
Banks	263.2	295.4	277.8	260.2	- 1.1	- 11.9	- 6.3
<u>MINING STOCKS</u>							
General Index	129.1	147.1	122.8	109.5	- 15.2	- 25.6	- 10.8
Golds	76.3	79.5	79.3	73.2	- 4.1	- 7.9	- 7.7
Base Metals	250.0	301.9	222.2	192.6	- 23.0	- 36.2	- 13.3

(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.

* Revised.

TABLE 2. - PRINCIPAL WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	General	Raw and	Fully	Indus-	Canadian Farm		
	Whole- sale Price Index	Partly Manu- factured	and Chiefly Manu- factured	trial Mate- rials	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
Aug.	227.6	207.9	239.2	238.6	153.8	271.3	212.6

(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 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)

- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -

Date	General Whole-Sale Index	Total Vegetable Products	Grains	Milled Cereal Foods	Live-stock and Poultry Feeds	Bakery Products	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

- 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	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

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
1956	Average	227.7	296.9	97.5	134.1	204.9	209.7	265.6
1956	May	221.4	282.6	101.2	133.3	204.1	209.6	252.3
	June	229.5	284.1	92.6	134.7	204.1	210.1	272.8
	July	232.8	289.9	93.2	135.6	204.1	210.1	278.4
	Aug.	234.0	293.1	93.2	132.9	204.1	210.1	280.8
	Sept.	236.3	298.6	93.2	139.2	205.8	211.9	284.2
	Oct.	235.4	301.1	93.2	125.1	205.8	212.7	277.3
	Nov.	235.1	303.6	93.2	126.4	210.4	213.3	281.0
	Dec.	235.8	313.4	93.2	120.7	207.4	213.3	284.3
1957	Jan.	237.6	317.1	93.2	124.0	205.3	216.7	287.7
	Feb.	238.4	320.4	93.2	124.2	205.3	217.3	287.6
	Mar.	236.3	322.4	93.9	123.4	202.1	217.3	278.3
	Apr.	236.6	312.4	89.9	107.7	198.8	217.6	281.8
	May	237.2	297.1	92.0	117.9	202.1	218.7	283.5
	June	241.6	294.9	92.0	119.7	205.3	219.1	292.9
	July	245.8	291.9	92.2	120.3	205.3	219.1	300.3
	Aug.	246.1	289.6	92.2	124.5	205.3	219.1	299.7

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

		Beef Meats, Fresh and Veal Carcass	Meats, Cured	Fowl, Dressed	Milk and Its Pro- ducts	Butter	Oils and Fats	Eggs
1956	Average	262.6	297.7	179.2	187.3	227.1	226.7	142.8
1956	May	255.9	295.1	163.8	222.9	223.6	225.1	138.3
	June	276.3	311.2	171.3	210.8	223.9	223.9	135.3
	July	283.6	321.3	175.4	198.8	225.6	223.5	132.2
	Aug.	281.6	320.9	182.9	180.7	226.4	223.8	137.3
	Sept.	381.0	312.9	195.9	156.6	227.1	225.5	148.0
	Oct.	275.9	301.5	201.7	150.6	229.8	228.8	159.6
	Nov.	270.3	291.9	203.8	150.6	232.6	229.3	162.1
	Dec.	268.9	291.5	206.3	150.6	232.2	229.9	166.0
1957	Jan.	276.0	300.6	207.4	144.6	232.0	229.9	168.4
	Feb.	274.6	293.9	213.2	138.6	232.3	229.7	170.6
	Mar.	273.5	301.1	210.9	147.6	232.7	230.0	169.6
	Apr.	280.8	313.5	209.0	144.6	233.4	229.9	167.6
	May	287.9	315.1	213.8	138.6	232.2	228.6	163.2
	June	293.7	309.6	225.9	135.5	233.3	227.9	162.5
	July	295.0	302.5	237.2	156.6	233.0	229.8	166.7
	Aug.	288.6	296.9	241.5	150.6	237.3	239.1	168.0

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	Miscellaneous 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

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Rayon Yarns	Raw Wool, Do-mestic	Raw Wool, Im-port ed	Yarns, Worsted	Hosiery and Knit Goods, Chiefly Wool	Wool Blankets	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

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

(1935-39 = 100)

- WOOD, WOOD PRODUCTS AND PAPER -

Date	Total Wood Pro- ducts	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

- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -

	Total Iron Pro- ducts	Pig Iron	Rolling Mill Pro- ducts	Pipe and Tubing	Hard- ware	Wire	Scrap Iron and Steel	Tin Plate and Gal- vanized 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

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

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -									Combined Index Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)
	Total Non-Ferrous Metals	Anti-mony	Copper and Its Products	Lead and Its Products	Silver	Tin	Zinc and Its Products	Solder		
	(1)	(2)								
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
- 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 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			

(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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- 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

- 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	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

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

- 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

TABLE 4. - WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

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(All prices given in Canadian Funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly Average 1956	August 1956	July 1957	August 1957
		\$	\$	\$	\$
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern	bu.	1.730	1.732	1.622	1.615
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.859	.864	.747	.745
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.057	1.044	.930	.931
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.252	1.274	1.087	1.111
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	100-lb. bag	5.800	5.900	5.800	5.800
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal	cwt.	7.299	7.268	9.850	9.356
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.742	1.650	1.150	1.240
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.672	.695	.550	.545
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75-lb. bag	2.310	2.975	1.620	1.600
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.408	21.500	19.540	19.520
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	25.985	26.890	35.120	34.590
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.153	.150	.142	.148
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	.575	.591	.617
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.578	.680	.605	.571
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 1", New York	lb.	-	.337	.338	.333
COTTON YARN, 10's, white	lb.	.712	.690	.690	.690
RAYON YARN, 36 filament, 150 denier	lb.	.798	.800	.890	.890
WOOL, Raw, Eastern Domestic, regular,					
Low Medium staple, greasy.....	lb.	.492	.500	.550	.550
WOOL, Raw, Australian, 64's, clean	lb.	1.438	1.410	1.620	1.630
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Mill, in Canadian					
funds (Southern Quebec)	ton	113.110	112.545	112.520	111.891
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 2/	gr.ton	-	63.500	65.000	65.000
SCRAP IRON, No. 1	gr.ton	50.583	49.000	49.000	49.000
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	41.355	39.250	27.875	27.119
LEAD, Pig, Electrolytic, domestic sales	cwt.	15.514	15.500	13.250	13.250
TIN INGOTS, 99.8%	lb.	1.011	.985	.936	.915
ZINC, Grade "A", Electrolytic,					
domestic sales	cwt.	14.844	14.850	10.665	10.600
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	19.419	18.960	20.440	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	3.035	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 July 1957 quotations referred to malleable.

TABLE 5. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

(1935-39 = 100)

Date	Total Index* (1949=100)	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -									
		Total Index	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
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<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
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<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

* 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

	Steel and Metal Work	Hard- ware	Lath Plaster and Insulation	Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscel- laneous 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

TABLE 7. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

(1949 = 100)

	Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House-hold Operation	Other Commodities & 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>	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	116.1
	July	116.0	111.5	129.6	107.8	115.8
	August	116.4	112.4	129.8	107.8	118.0
	September	116.8	113.7	130.0	107.8	115.9
	October	116.9	113.5	130.2	107.8	116.1
	November	116.9	113.0	130.6	107.9	116.5
	December	116.9	112.4	131.0	108.5	116.6
<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
	August	122.6	120.2	135.3	108.2	126.9

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

(1949 = 100)

	1954	1955	1956	August 1955	August 1956	June 1957	July 1957	August 1957
<u>Total Index</u>	116.2	116.4	118.1	116.4	119.1	121.6	121.9	122.6
<u>Food</u>	112.2	112.1	113.4	112.4	115.9	117.7	118.2	120.2
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	111.8	111.9	112.1	111.1	111.6	117.1	117.2	117.8
Cereal Products	122.4	122.0	125.0	121.7	126.0	132.6	132.7	132.7
Miscellaneous Groceries	121.9	123.1	121.8	122.6	121.7	128.7	127.4	126.9
<u>Shelter</u>	126.5	129.4	132.5	129.8	133.0	134.8	135.1	135.3
Rent	129.8	133.3	135.6	133.7	136.1	138.0	138.2	138.5
Home-Ownership	122.2	124.4	128.4	124.6	128.8	130.6	130.9	131.1
<u>Clothing</u>	109.4	108.0	108.6	107.8	108.4	108.4	108.4	108.2
Men's Wear	113.8	113.0	113.4	112.8	113.4	115.8	115.8	115.7
Women's Wear	100.9	98.4	98.9	98.3	98.3	96.1	96.1	95.7
Children's Wear	107.5	106.2	105.9	106.2	105.8	104.6	104.2	104.4
Footwear	127.6	127.3	129.6	127.0	130.0	132.1	132.1	132.2
Piece Goods	108.7	108.4	108.5	108.2	108.7	111.7	111.7	111.8
<u>Household Operation</u>	117.4	116.4	117.1	115.8	116.8	119.1	119.6	119.7
Fuel	114.9	112.7	114.8	110.8	113.8	117.0	117.4	117.7
Electricity	115.9	116.0	115.6	115.9	115.6	115.4	114.9	114.9
Home Furnishings	115.6	113.7	113.2	113.0	113.0	114.9	115.8	115.8
Furniture	117.6	115.9	116.2	115.3	115.6	119.6	119.7	119.8
Utensils and Equipment	122.1	123.1	125.5	122.9	125.7	130.5	131.0	131.0
Supplies and Services	121.8	122.9	124.2	123.0	124.4	127.2	127.5	127.4
Supplies	115.8	116.3	117.2	116.4	117.3	119.5	119.4	119.2
Services	126.0	127.4	129.1	127.6	129.2	132.4	133.1	133.1
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	117.4	118.1	120.9	118.0	121.3	126.5	126.5	126.9
Transportation	120.0	118.5	123.3	117.7	123.9	130.2	129.7	130.2
Automobile Operation	114.7	111.0	112.1	109.2	111.7	120.1	119.4	119.5
Recreation	119.5	122.6	125.3	123.0	125.9	130.5	130.9	131.2
Health Care	127.4	130.4	134.2	130.6	134.8	143.3	143.4	144.3
Drugs	109.5	111.0	111.7	111.0	111.8	115.0	115.0	115.4
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	121.1	128.2	128.4	128.9
Personal Supplies	113.6	112.7	112.4	111.9	112.5	116.9	117.2	118.1

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
1954	99.7	109.4	116.8	113.2	96.6	95.8	99.0	117.5
1955	101.7	113.6	108.2	91.4	105.9	93.8	99.2	104.7
1956	101.7	115.9	113.2	91.9	112.0	91.7	98.3	102.9
1956	Aug.	104.0	123.6	123.1	86.6	110.7	91.7	97.3
	Sept.	108.8	127.3	124.7	98.9	111.1	89.3	97.3
	Oct.	108.1	124.0	126.9	107.1	114.3	87.5	98.1
1957	Jan.	104.2	116.5	126.6	112.7	120.4	85.7	99.5
	Feb.	106.3	116.3	126.9	112.5	120.8	86.3	99.7
	Mar.	106.3	115.2	126.6	113.2	121.6	85.8	99.8
	Apr.	106.5	116.6	124.0	112.0	122.0	86.5	99.8
	May	109.2	120.4	123.1	110.9	122.0	87.1	99.8
	June	110.2	123.4	136.0	117.7	122.8	89.1	99.4
	July	108.3	124.1	140.1	121.7	122.4	89.9	99.4
	Aug.	109.4	124.6	145.7	130.1	122.4	91.4	101.2
	Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Toma- toes, Fresh	Carrots
1954	91.8	92.9	99.0	116.8	119.2	107.6	101.4	153.2
1955	91.8	99.9	102.5	108.2	117.9	134.5	100.4	152.8
1956	94.7	102.7	104.1	120.8	115.2	142.6	117.8	151.0
1956	Aug.	96.0	117.1	103.1	116.7	115.3	190.9	129.2
	Sept.	95.7	116.3	103.5	115.6	116.7	115.7	66.7
	Oct.	94.8	114.7	106.9	117.9	118.7	107.9	88.5
1957	Jan.	98.8	85.2	113.7	118.7	120.8	127.2	110.8
	Feb.	101.3	81.6	115.6	123.3	120.8	133.5	95.0
	Mar.	101.9	82.3	116.1	123.3	119.4	125.7	146.8
	Apr.	101.6	81.5	116.1	127.5	119.4	119.7	156.6
	May	101.3	81.8	116.1	126.7	119.4	122.0	138.2
	June	101.3	81.5	116.1	127.2	118.0	120.9	124.9
	July	101.6	86.8	116.6	121.0	117.3	134.9	173.4
	Aug.	101.3	103.0	117.1	119.0	116.0	120.9	90.7
	Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Granu- lated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
1954	118.5	111.6	126.8	110.2	101.8	107.5	105.4	200.9
1955	118.5	112.8	126.4	106.4	99.7	110.3	129.5	173.7
1956	119.1	115.6	131.6	108.8	100.4	111.3	128.0	181.5
1956	Aug.	118.5	117.8	133.8	109.0	100.8	111.7	128.1
	Sept.	118.5	118.5	133.8	109.0	100.8	112.5	127.7
	Oct.	118.5	118.5	133.8	110.5	100.8	113.8	127.7
1957	Jan.	124.2	120.6	139.8	113.3	116.0	117.7	129.6
	Feb.	124.2	121.6	140.8	113.3	135.5	119.9	130.8
	Mar.	124.2	120.2	140.8	113.3	135.5	121.6	131.2
	Apr.	124.2	121.3	141.8	113.3	137.7	122.0	126.7
	May	124.2	121.6	141.8	113.3	138.7	122.5	126.1
	June	125.8	121.9	141.8	113.3	138.7	122.5	126.1
	July	125.8	121.9	141.8	113.3	137.7	120.3	126.1
	Aug.	125.8	122.3	141.8	113.3	136.6	120.3	125.9

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.	Halif- 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	114.9
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	115.7
	October	103.0	114.6	117.6	117.0	117.3	118.9	115.5	115.2	115.6
	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	115.0
<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	114.2
	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	114.1
	August	105.8	115.1	117.8	116.8	117.3	118.5	116.1	115.1	114.6
	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	115.2
	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	115.7
	August	110.2	117.6	120.3	118.9	120.4	122.0	117.0	116.2	116.1
	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	117.5
	November	107.0	118.0	120.4	120.9	121.5	123.1	118.4	117.2	117.7
	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	117.7
	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	118.4
	July	109.6	119.3	122.4	122.0	123.4	125.5	120.0	119.3	119.1
	August	110.5	120.6	123.3	122.2	124.0	125.9	120.7	120.2	119.8

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
Food Index											
<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
	August	110.6	115.0	118.9	121.6	119.2	119.5	118.5	119.8	117.7	118.7
Shelter Index											
<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
	August	110.5	129.5	132.8	140.4	142.7	150.8	129.0	118.9	121.6	132.1

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. 1.	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
	August	102.0	113.2	117.8	104.8	111.7	111.8	112.6	118.5	116.0	111.7
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
	August	108.8	125.3	121.2	116.7	118.6	119.5	116.9	121.6	119.9	128.9
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
	August	116.0	125.3	130.3	126.0	129.9	130.2	125.4	120.9	124.1	124.6

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>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	65.08	53.52	156.0	128.3	121.6
July 1	65.37(p)	53.63(p)	156.7(p)	128.6(p)	121.9

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

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

(P) Preliminary.

TABLE 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 August	1957 July	1957 August	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Corn, cracked	4.02	3.86	3.85	4.25	4.13	4.10	3.79	3.56	3.55
2. Oats, unground	3.13	2.83	2.81	3.37	2.98	2.96	3.12	2.82	2.78
3. Barley, ground	3.06	2.80	2.78	3.29	2.94	2.94	2.97	2.72	2.69
4. Wheat, unground	3.04	3.03	2.97	3.26	3.31	3.29	2.93	2.96	2.89
5. Bran	2.74	2.60	2.55	2.75	2.55	2.47	2.62	2.47	2.39
6. Shorts	2.91	2.75	2.70	2.94	2.71	2.66	2.87	2.63	2.58
7. Middlings	3.08	2.94	2.89	3.10	2.92	2.85	3.06	2.86	2.80
8. Linseed oil meal	4.93	4.81	4.72	5.01	4.91	4.83	4.75	4.69	4.56
9. Soybean oil meal	4.70	4.38	4.41	4.85	4.69	4.69	4.59	4.13	4.14
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.23	5.15	5.14	5.01	5.09	5.04	4.90	4.82	4.78
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.58	3.51	3.49	3.62	3.52	3.49	3.44	3.37	3.35
12. Dairy supplement (24%) (East)	4.16	4.16	4.13	4.18	4.16	4.14	4.01	4.10	4.06
13. Dairy supplement (32%) (West)	5.19	5.12	5.10	-	-	-	-	-	-
14. Pig starter mash	4.52	4.45	4.43	4.33	4.37	4.35	4.19	4.14	4.14
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.43	5.28	5.29	6.03	5.92	5.95	5.55	5.35	5.31
16. Hog grower mash	3.74	3.62	3.61	3.83	3.69	3.67	3.66	3.56	3.52
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.75	4.69	4.66	4.86	4.81	4.79	4.46	4.38	4.37
18. Growing mash	4.25	4.12	4.10	4.23	4.10	4.08	4.24	4.12	4.11
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.29	4.21	4.20	4.33	4.26	4.24	4.27	4.19	4.18
20. Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.07	4.93	4.93	5.02	4.97	4.97	4.96	4.86	4.92
21. Turkey growing mash	4.65	4.59	4.58	4.76	4.69	4.68	4.53	4.54	4.54

	ONTARIO			PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA		
	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Corn, cracked	3.67	3.68	3.65	5.26	5.22	5.22	4.63	4.20	4.23
2. Oats, unground	3.10	2.82	2.79	2.70	2.48	2.51	3.26	2.98	2.93
3. Barley, ground	3.08	2.80	2.78	2.71	2.60	2.58	3.20	2.99	2.93
4. Wheat, unground	3.00	2.98	2.93	2.78	2.72	2.68	3.25	3.17	3.07
5. Bran	2.78	2.62	2.56	2.74	2.72	2.72	2.83	2.68	2.67
6. Shorts	2.94	2.76	2.68	2.86	2.84	2.82	2.97	2.82	2.80
7. Middlings	3.12	2.99	2.94	2.84	2.74	2.71	3.17	3.09	3.07
8. Linseed oil meal	4.72	4.59	4.51	5.25	5.07	4.97	5.19	5.04	4.96
9. Soybean oil meal	4.52	4.14	4.19	4.95	5.02	5.02	5.00	4.74	4.70
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.06	4.97	4.94	5.18	5.12	5.13	6.21	6.14	6.17
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.70	3.62	3.59	3.52	3.47	3.47	3.62	3.57	3.56
12. Dairy supplement (24%)	4.22	4.19	4.17	-	-	-	-	-	-
13. Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.15	5.06	5.04	5.24	5.22	5.21
14. Pig starter mash	4.67	4.57	4.54	4.98	4.88	4.87	4.34	4.23	4.20
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.28	5.01	5.04	5.36	5.30	5.32	5.71	5.71	5.77
16. Hog grower mash	3.73	3.57	3.55	3.63	3.50	3.55	3.91	3.85	3.84
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.80	4.76	4.70	4.95	4.91	4.88	4.87	4.78	4.76
18. Growing mash	4.17	4.06	4.02	4.32	4.14	4.13	4.33	4.23	4.21
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.29	4.16	4.10	4.29	4.29	4.33	4.30	4.19	4.18
20. Broiler starter (20-23%)	5.02	4.77	4.75	5.14	4.98	4.98	5.19	5.16	5.10
21. Turkey growing mash	4.78	4.64	4.61	4.56	4.51	4.50	4.66	4.64	4.62

	ONTARIO			PRAIRIES			BRITISH COLUMBIA		
	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August	1956 August	1957 July	1957 August
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1. Corn, cracked	3.67	3.68	3.65	5.26	5.22	5.22	4.63	4.20	4.23
2. Oats, unground	3.10	2.82	2.79	2.70	2.48	2.51	3.26	2.98	2.93
3. Barley, ground	3.08	2.80	2.78	2.71	2.60	2.58	3.20	2.99	2.93
4. Wheat, unground	3.00	2.98	2.93	2.78	2.72	2.68	3.25	3.17	3.07
5. Bran	2.78	2.62	2.56	2.74	2.72	2.72	2.83	2.68	2.67
6. Shorts	2.94	2.76	2.68	2.86	2.84	2.82	2.97	2.82	2.80
7. Middlings	3.12	2.99	2.94	2.84	2.74	2.71	3.17	3.09	3.07
8. Linseed oil meal	4.72	4.59	4.51	5.25	5.07	4.97	5.19	5.04	4.96
9. Soybean oil meal	4.52	4.14	4.19	4.95	5.02	5.02	5.00	4.74	4.70
10. Calf starter (20-24%)	5.06	4.97	4.94	5.18	5.12	5.13	6.21	6.14	6.17
11. Dairy ration (16%)	3.70	3.62	3.59	3.52	3.47	3.47	3.62	3.57	3.56
12. Dairy supplement (24%)	4.22	4.19	4.17	-	-	-	-	-	-
13. Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.15	5.06	5.04	5.24	5.22	5.21
14. Pig starter mash	4.67	4.57	4.54	4.98	4.88	4.87	4.34	4.23	4.20
15. Hog concentrate (35%)	5.28	5.01	5.04	5.36	5.30	5.32	5.71	5.71	5.77
16. Hog grower mash	3.73	3.57	3.55	3.63	3.50	3.55	3.91	3.85	3.84
17. Chick starter mash (18-20%)	4.80	4.76	4.70	4.95	4.91	4.88	4.87	4.78	4.76
18. Growing mash	4.17	4.06	4.02	4.32	4.14	4.13	4.33	4.23	4.21
19. Laying mash (18%)	4.29	4.16	4.10	4.29	4.29	4.33	4.30	4.19	4.18
20. Broiler starter (20-23%)	5.02	4.77	4.75	5.14	4.98	4.98	5.19	5.16	5.10
21. Turkey growing mash	4.78	4.64	4.61	4.56	4.51	4.50	4.66	4.64	4.62

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	August Average	July Average	August Average
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
United States	dollar	.9863	.9841	.9812	.9509	.9480
United Kingdom	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7311	2.6512	2.6383
Argentina	peso (free)	.06386	.02826	.03240	.02261	.02197
Australia	pound	2.2054	2.2014	2.1846	2.1210	2.1106
Belgium (1)	franc	.01964	.01972	.01968	.01892	.01883
Brazil	cruzeiro (free)	.01344	.01355	.01314	.01326	.01257
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5737	.5733	.5689	.5523	.5496
Ceylon	rupee	.2065	.2064	.2048	.1988	.1979
Chile	peso	.00493	.00232	.00198	.00159	.00158
Colombia (2)	peso (basic)	.3945	.3937	.3924	.1963	.1939
Cuba	peso	.9863	.9841	.9811	.9509	.9479
Denmark	krone	.1428	.1425	.1420	.1377	.1372
Egypt	pound	2.8322	2.8262	2.8171	2.7307	2.7220
France and North Africa	franc	.00282	.00281	.00280	.00272	.00239
Germany	deutsche mark	.2343	.2342	.2341	.2264	.2257
Hong Kong	dollar	.1721	.1720	.1707	.1657	.1649
India	rupee	.2065	.2064	.2048	.1988	.1979
Ireland	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7311	2.6512	2.6383
Italy	lira	.00158	.00158	.00157	.00153	.00152
Jamaica	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7311	2.6512	2.6383
Japan	yen	.00274	.00273	.00273	.00264	.00263
Lebanon	pound (free)	.3046	.3056	.3063	.2986	.2980
Mexico	peso	.07890	.07873	.07849	.07608	.07584
Netherlands	guilder	.2588	.2571	.2562	.2485	.2475
New Zealand	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7311	2.6512	2.6383
Norway	krone	.1381	.1378	.1374	.1331	.1327
Pakistan	rupee	.2597	.2064	.2048	.1988	.1979
Peru	sol-certificat	.05191	.05179	.05163	.05005	.04989
Phillipines	peso	.4931	.4920	.4905	.4755	.4740
Portugal	escudo	.03442	.03434	.03424	.03319	.03308
Singapore	dollar	.3213	.3210	.3186	.3093	.3078
Sweden	krona	.1906	.1902	.1896	.1838	.1832
Switzerland	franc	.2301	.2297	.2290	.2219	.2212
Turkey	lira	.3522	.3514	.3504	.3396	.3385
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7535	2.7516	2.7311	2.6512	2.6383
Venezuela	bolivar	.2944	.2937	.2928	.2838	.2830
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00329	.00328	.00327	.00317	.00316

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)

INVESTORS' INDEX

Number of Stocks	INVES- TORS' TOTAL (95)	TOTAL INDUS- RIES (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	
<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
<u>Weekly Index</u>											
	Aug. 1	274.7	290.2	892.7	954.5	140.5	260.4	165.1	202.4	502.7	478.7
	Aug. 8	266.5	280.4	830.2	937.3	133.7	252.2	160.1	198.6	496.7	476.9
	Aug. 15	253.6	266.4	780.8	908.4	136.1	241.8	159.3	194.4	479.2	444.9
	Aug. 22	252.0	264.5	763.6	900.7	137.8	240.6	157.5	193.8	476.4	447.7
	Aug. 29	248.4	260.3	752.2	878.6	131.1	234.3	159.4	189.8	474.3	443.3

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)	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	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	
1955	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
	Aug. ..	182.4	200.6	364.5	104.1	237.8	260.2	109.5	73.2	192.6	149.4
<u>Weekly Index</u>											
	Aug. 1	195.8	208.5	381.9	105.1	252.8	272.3	118.4	77.8	211.3	
	Aug. 8	189.7	205.3	375.6	104.8	246.2	267.6	111.3	74.2	196.4	
	Aug. 15	175.7	196.6	358.6	102.7	230.8	256.9	106.4	70.7	188.2	(2)
	Aug. 22	175.4	197.8	358.6	104.0	232.0	251.6	106.4	71.9	185.4	
	Aug. 29	175.2	194.6	347.6	103.8	227.0	252.8	104.9	71.3	181.9	

(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					
				Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
<u>CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1952 - 53		114.3(1)	113.7				114.8	
Canada	1949	100.0	118.1	120.5	120.9	121.1	121.6	121.9	122.6
France (Paris) ..	1949	100.0	147.1	147.3	147.1	148.0	149.0		
Germany	1950	107	113	114	114	114	115	116	
India	1949	100	105	107	107				
Italy	1938	4,915	6,266	6,304	6,300	6,322	6,335		
Japan	1951	92.2	118.4	122.4	122.6	123.4	122.8		
Mexico	1939	335.9	575.3	572.2	582.2				
Netherlands	1951		108	114	115	116	120		
Norway	1949	100	148	152	153	153	153		
South Africa	1938	153.2	205.9	208.9	208.9	209.5	210.2	211.2	
Sweden	1949	100	139	143	144	144			
Switzerland	August 1939		175	176.3	176.9	178.0	178.1	178.5	
United Kingdom ..	Jan. 17, 1956		102.0	104.1	104.5	104.6	105.7	106.6	
United States ...	1947 - 49	101.8	116.2	118.9	119.3	119.6	120.2	120.8	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 39		334(2)	344					
Canada	1935 - 39	198.3	225.6	228.4	228.4	228.0	228.0	228.2	227.6
France	1949		141.6	143.6	143.8	146.2	146.2(r)	147.2	
Germany	1950		129	129	131	130	131	133	
India	1952 - 53			105.5	106.5	109.0	110.6		
Italy	1938	5,169	5,380	5,270	5,222	5,206	5,225		
Japan (Tokyo) ...	1952		102.2	106.6	106.5	106.0	105.6	104.6	
Mexico (Mexico City) .	1939	268.1	530.9	532.0	541.7	546.3	550.4		
Netherlands	1948	104	140	143	144	144	144		
Norway	1952		108	112(r)	112(r)	113	112		
South Africa	1938	184.7	275.3	276.3	276.1	277.1			
Sweden	1935	216	325	324	324	324			
Switzerland	August 1939		220.0	222.7	224.4	225.1	226.3	224.4	
United Kingdom ..	June 30, 1949(3)		156.2	159.1	160.2	159.8	155.7(r)	154.8	
United Kingdom ..	June 30, 1949(4)		135.6	138.3	138.6	138.7	139.3(r)	139.4	
United States ...	1947 - 49	99.2	114.3	116.9	117.2	117.1	117.4	118.1	

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

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

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

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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