

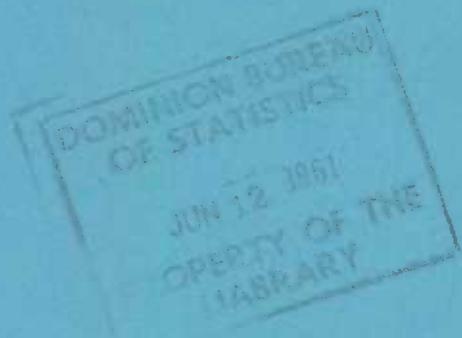
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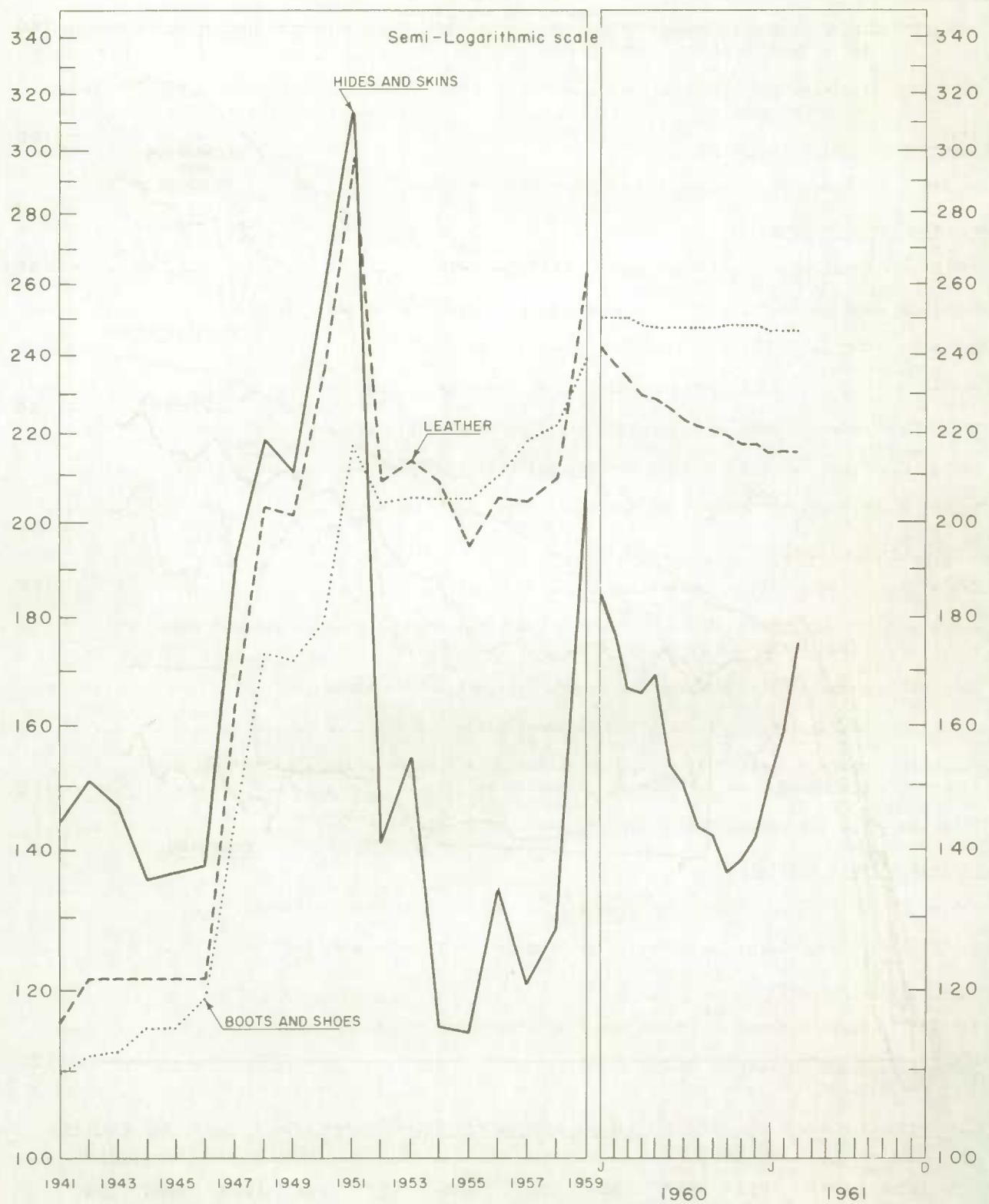
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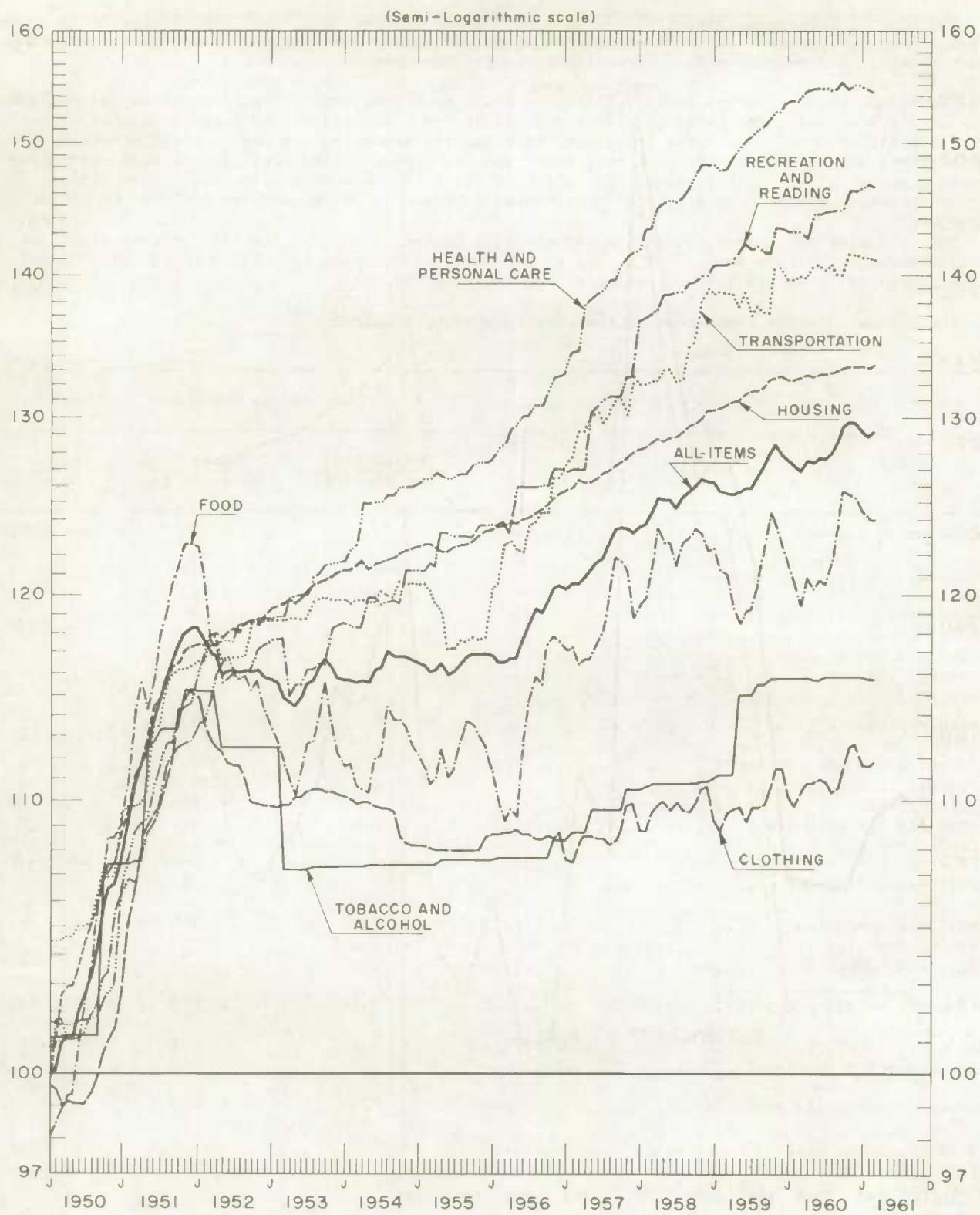
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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES  
HIDES AND SKINS, LEATHER, AND BOOTS AND SHOES  
ANNUALLY, 1941-59; MONTHLY, JANUARY 1960-MARCH, 1961  
1935-39=100



ALL-ITEMS AND MAIN COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX  
MONTHLY, JANUARY 1950—MARCH 1961  
1949=100



NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

General Wholesale Index (1935-39=100)

The General Wholesale Index stood at 231.3 in March, 0.1 per cent lower than the February index of 231.6, and 0.6 per cent above the March 1960 index of 229.8. Three major group indexes were lower in March, while the remaining five were higher than in the previous month.

The Animal Products Group index declined to 256.2 in March, down 1.3 per cent from the February index of 259.6 as price decreases for livestock, fresh and cured meats, and furs outweighed higher prices for fishery products, hides and skins, milk and its products, and eggs. Lower prices in March for livestock and poultry feeds, potatoes, sugar and its products, and fresh fruits were mainly responsible for a 0.7 per cent decrease from 201.6 to 200.1 in the Vegetable Products Group index. The Wood Products Group index was practically unchanged in March at 301.6 compared to 301.7 in February.

The following major group indexes moved slightly higher in March: Textile Products from 232.6 to 233.1; Non-ferrous Metals from 174.4 to 174.6; Non-metallic Minerals from 185.9 to 186.3; Chemical Products from 187.9 to 188.1; Iron Products from 256.6 to 256.7.

The following table shows some of the more noteworthy changes:

Commodity group and sub-group	Percentage changes		
	March 1961 February 1961	March 1960 February 1960	March 1961 March 1960
Animal products group .....	- 1.3	- 0.7	+ 6.4
Furs .....	- 6.7	- 3.6	- 7.0
Livestock .....	- 4.0	- 2.9	+ 11.8
Meats, fresh .....	- 2.6	- 0.6	+ 8.5
Meats, cured .....	- 1.2	- 5.7	+ 27.5
Hides and skins .....	+ 10.1	- 5.4	+ 4.7
Fishery products .....	+ 1.6	+ 2.1	+ 5.7
Eggs .....	+ 0.8	+ 16.6	- 1.8
Vegetable products group .....	- 0.7	- 0.1	- 1.2
Livestock and poultry feeds .....	- 17.2	+ 2.1	+ 6.3
Potatoes .....	- 5.3	+ 12.4	- 40.1
Fruits, fresh .....	- 1.2	+ 8.6	+ 3.4
Sugar and its products .....	- 0.6	+ 0.1	- 0.8
Rubber, raw .....	+ 7.1	+ 3.6	- 21.9
Textile products group .....	+ 0.2	(1)	+ 1.9
Wool, raw, imported .....	+ 2.2	- 1.4	+ 5.7
Cotton, raw .....	+ 2.0	- 0.3	+ 5.0
Wool, raw, domestic .....	- 2.6	-	- 5.4
Non-ferrous metals group .....	+ 0.1	- 0.3	- 1.7
Tin .....	+ 3.0	- 0.6	+ 7.1
Zinc and its products .....	+ 2.0	- 3.7	- 1.9
Non-metallic minerals products .....	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	(1)
Pottery .....	+ 6.6	-	+ 6.6

(1) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)

In 19 manufacturing industries, Industry Selling Price Indexes were higher in March than in February, 6 less than in the preceding month-to-month comparison in February, when 25 indexes were up from January levels. The number of industries which increased from February to March exceeded those for which decreases were recorded, 19 to 18. In the similar comparison a month earlier, February price levels for 25 industries were higher and 25 were lower than in January. A much higher proportion, 61 of the 98 industry indexes, were unchanged from February compared to 48 which showed no change over the January-February period.

The average level of the 98 indexes in March was 102.6, down slightly from the February level of 102.7. The median was 103.6 (half of the indexes were above 103.6 and the other half were below 103.6) unchanged from February.

The following table summarizes February-March price movements by major industry group:

February to March Changes in Industry Indexes

Major industry group	Total in- dustries No.	Increases			Decreases			Un- changed No.
		No.	Average %	Median %	No.	Average %	Median %	
All industries .....	98	19	0.6	0.3	18	-1.0	-1.0	61
Foods and beverages .....	20	3	0.4	0.4	4	-1.6	-1.3	13
Tobacco and tobacco products .....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Rubber products .....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Leather products .....	4	2	1.6	(1)	-	-	-	2
Textile mills .....	9	1	0.7	(1)	4	-0.5	-0.2	4
Clothing and knitting mills .....	5	1	0.1	(1)	-	-	-	4
Wood products .....	7	2	0.6	(1)	3	-2.0	-1.9	2
Paper products .....	5	2	0.2	(1)	1	-0.2	(1)	2
Iron and steel products .....	8	2	0.2	(1)	-	-	-	6
Transportation equipment .....	3	-	-	-	1	-0.2	(1)	2
Non-ferrous metal products .....	5	2	0.2	(1)	-	-	-	3
Electrical apparatus and supplies .....	5	-	-	-	3	-1.0	-1.1	2
Non-metallic mineral products .....	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Products of petroleum and coal .....	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Chemicals and allied products .....	11	4	1.2	1.0	2	-0.4	(1)	5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries .	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

(1) Not relevant.

Canadian Farm Products Price Index (1935-39=100)

The price index of Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets moved down 2.0 per cent from 220.5 to 216.2 between February and March. The Animal Products index declined 2.8 per cent from 277.7 to 269.9 reflecting lower prices on both Eastern and Western markets for hogs, calves, lambs, raw wool and butterfat, for steers in the West, and cheesemilk in the East. Prices were higher for eggs. The Field Products index was down 0.6 per cent from 163.3 to 162.4, as price declines for potatoes on both markets and wheat in the East, were almost balanced by price increases reported for rye and flax in the West, and for peas and corn in the East. Indexes for the crop year August 1959 - July 1960 shown in Tables 1 and 2 have been revised to include the final payment for barley announced April 20, 1961.

Thirty Industrial Materials Price Index (1935-39=100)

The index of 30 industrial materials, calculated as an unweighted geometric average, advanced 0.8 per cent from 238.1 to 240.1. A major price increase occurred for beef hides with lesser advances for raw rubber, cotton seed oil, fir timber, tin, raw cotton, domestic zinc, raw sugar and oats. Prices were lower for hogs and raw wool.

#### Security Price Indexes

The Investors Index of 93 common stock prices (1935-39=100) advanced 3.3 per cent from 285.3 to 294.6 between February and March, reflecting gains for the 3 major groups as follows: 72 Industrials +4.0 per cent from 295.7 to 307.4; 7 Banks +1.9 per cent from 364.8 to 371.8; and 14 Utilities +0.1 per cent from 205.9 to 206.2. All sub-groups in Industrials advanced, led by Beverages +4.9 per cent, Industrial Mines +4.8 per cent, and Pulp and Paper +4.4 per cent. The 3 sub-groups in Utilities moved fractionally higher.

The index of 27 Mining Stocks (1935-39=100) moved up 1.4 per cent from 110.8 to 112.3 reflecting a gain of 6.7 per cent for 6 Base Metals from 190.8 to 203.6 which was partially balanced by a 4.6 per cent loss for 21 Golds, from 75.9 to 72.4.

Four supplementary indexes (1956=100) showed gains as follows: 9 Primary Oils and Gas +9.1 per cent from 55.0 to 60.0; 5 Investment and Loan +6.3 per cent from 145.3 to 154.4; 5 Pipelines +5.5 per cent from 121.0 to 127.6; and 7 Uraniums +4.3 per cent from 65.8 to 68.6.

The index of 27 Preferred issues (1935-39=100) eased 0.3 per cent from 158.2 to 157.7 in the period under review.

#### The Consumer Price Index (1949=100)

Consumer prices between February and March 1961, increased 0.2 per cent from 128.9 to 129.1. Increases in the Housing and Clothing indexes offset decreases in the Transportation, Health and Personal Care, and Recreation and Reading indexes.

The Food index was unchanged at 124.0. Lower prices were reported for beef, poultry, canned salmon, powdered skim milk, coffee, cheese, grapefruit, fresh tomatoes, lettuce and celery. These price decreases were balanced by higher prices for eggs, pork, fats and a number of other fresh fruits and vegetables, particularly apples and carrots.

The Housing index rose 0.1 per cent, from 133.1 to 133.2, reflecting a small increase in the household operation index. The shelter index was unchanged. In the household operation group, prices were higher for fuel oil and furniture but price decreases occurred for some items of household supplies. In shelter, both the rent and home-ownership indexes were unchanged.

The Clothing index increased 0.3 per cent from 111.5 to 111.8 as a result of higher prices for women's and children's wear, footwear and piece goods. Price decreases were reported for some clothing services while men's wear and jewellery indexes were unchanged.

The Transportation index declined 0.1 per cent, from 141.1 to 141.0, with a decrease in the automobile operation index outweighing an increase in the local transportation index. The travel index covering train, bus and plane fares was unchanged. In the automobile operation group, prices were lower for new passenger cars, body repairs and brake relining but gasoline, tire and battery prices were up. Street car and bus fares in local transportation were higher in several cities.

The slight decline of 0.1 per cent in the Health and Personal Care index, from 154.6 to 154.4, resulted entirely from lower prices for some personal care items as the health care index was unchanged.

The Recreation and Reading index declined 0.1 per cent, from 146.7 to 146.6, reflecting a decrease in the recreation index resulting from lower prices for bicycles. The reading index was unchanged.

The Tobacco and Alcohol index was unchanged at 115.7.

TABLE 1. Summary of Current Price Indexes

	Indexes				Percentage changes			
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	Mar. 1961 Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960 Feb. 1960	Mar. 1961 Mar. 1960	
<u>Wholesale price indexes (1935-39=100):</u>								
General index(1) .....	231.3	231.6	229.8	230.2	- 0.1	- 0.2	+ 0.6	
Vegetable products .....	200.1	201.6	202.6	202.8	- 0.7	- 0.1	- 1.2	
Animal products .....	256.2	259.6	240.9	242.6	- 1.3	- 0.7	+ 6.4	
Textile products .....	233.1	232.6	228.7	228.8	+ 0.2	(2)	+ 1.9	
Wood products .....	301.6	301.7	304.4	304.6	(2)	- 0.1	- 0.9	
Iron products .....	256.7	256.6	256.7	256.7	(2)	-	-	
Non-ferrous metals .....	174.6	174.4	177.6	178.2	+ 0.1	- 0.3	- 1.7	
Non-metallic minerals .....	186.3	185.9	186.4	186.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	(2)	
Chemical products .....	188.1	187.9	188.5	188.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	- 0.2	
<u>Canadian farm products(1).....</u>								
Eastern total .....	216.2	220.5	217.5	215.9	- 2.0	+ 0.7	(3)	
Western total .....	236.1	241.9	237.5	234.8	- 2.4	+ 1.1	(3)	
Field .....	196.2	199.1	197.5	197.0	- 1.5	+ 0.3	(3)	
Animal .....	162.4	163.3	182.8	179.7	- 0.6	+ 1.7	(3)	
269.9	277.7	252.2	252.0	- 2.8	+ 0.1	(3)		
<u>Selected price indexes:(1)</u>								
Thirty industrial materials .....	240.1	238.1	240.4	241.8	+ 0.8	- 0.6	- 0.1	
Residential building materials (1949=100) .....	128.8	128.0	129.6	129.6	+ 0.6	-	- 0.6	
Non-residential building materials (1949=100) .....	131.7	131.6	132.2	132.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	- 0.4	
<u>Consumer price indexes (1949=100)</u>								
All-items index .....	129.1	128.9	126.9	127.2	+ 0.2	- 0.2	+ 1.7	
Food .....	124.0	124.0	119.4	120.8	-	- 1.2	+ 3.9	
Housing .....	133.2	133.1	132.4	132.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.6	
Clothing .....	111.8	111.5	110.4	109.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 1.3	
Transportation .....	141.0	141.1	139.8	139.6	- 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.9	
Health and personal care .....	154.4	154.6	153.7	153.8	- 0.1	- 0.1	+ 0.5	
Recreation and reading .....	146.6	146.7	143.1	143.1	- 0.1	-	+ 2.4	
Tobacco and alcohol .....	115.7	115.7	115.8	115.8	-	-	- 0.1	
<u>Security price indexes (1935-39=100):</u>								
Total investors index .....	294.6	285.3	242.3	249.9	+ 3.3	- 3.0	+ 21.6	
Total industrials.....	307.4	295.7	249.3	257.9	+ 4.0	- 3.3	+ 23.3	
Machinery and equipment .....	758.9	741.4	671.4	713.0	+ 2.4	- 5.8	+ 13.0	
Pulp and paper .....	1,277.7	1,223.8	1,058.1	1,080.0	+ 4.4	- 2.0	+ 20.8	
Milling and grains .....	227.4	219.2	181.5	194.0	+ 3.7	- 6.4	+ 25.3	
Oils .....	217.3	208.9	170.8	173.8	+ 4.0	- 1.7	+ 27.2	
Textiles and clothing .....	195.9	193.0	190.0	197.2	+ 1.5	- 3.7	+ 3.1	
Food and allied products .....	287.7	280.1	215.8	216.8	+ 2.7	- 0.5	+ 33.3	
Beverages .....	793.0	756.3	611.0	634.6	+ 4.9	- 3.7	+ 29.8	
Building materials .....	486.8	470.3	462.2	488.7	+ 3.5	- 5.4	+ 5.3	
Industrial mines .....	264.2	252.1	195.6	203.1	+ 4.8	- 3.7	+ 35.1	
Total utilities .....	206.2	205.9	184.5	186.8	+ 0.1	- 1.2	+ 11.8	
Transportation .....	290.0	289.3	287.6	298.6	+ 0.2	- 3.7	+ 0.8	
Telephone .....	132.1	131.8	116.9	115.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.9	+ 13.0	
Power and traction .....	221.1	220.8	189.8	195.3	+ 0.1	- 2.8	+ 16.5	
Banks .....	371.8	364.8	305.8	316.3	+ 1.9	- 3.3	+ 21.6	
<u>Mining stocks:</u>								
General index .....	112.3	110.8	107.4	110.4	+ 1.4	- 2.7	+ 4.6	
Golds .....	72.4	75.9	82.5	82.0	- 4.6	+ 0.6	- 12.2	
Base metals .....	203.6	190.8	164.4	175.6	+ 6.7	- 6.4	+ 23.8	
<u>Security price indexes (1956-100):</u>								
Pipelines .....	127.6	121.0	109.6	110.4	+ 5.5	- 0.7	+ 16.4	
Investment and loan .....	154.4	145.3	110.5	110.8	+ 6.3	- 0.3	+ 39.7	
Uraniums .....	68.6	65.8	58.8	62.8	+ 4.3	- 6.4	+ 16.7	
Primary oils and gas .....	60.0	55.0	55.0	56.9	+ 9.1	- 3.3	+ 9.1	

(1) Indexes for 1961 are subject to revision.

(2) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

(3) Percentages not shown since indexes are not comparable. See notes page 47 for details of Western grain prices.

TABLE 2. Selected Price Indicators (1935-39=100)

General Wholesale Index and Principal Components

Date	General whole- sale index	Vege- table products	Animal products	Textile products	Wood products	Iron products	Non- ferrous metals products(1)	Non- metallic minerals products	Chemical products
1952 .....	226.0	210.3	248.2	251.5	291.0	219.0	172.9	173.9	180.1
1953 .....	220.7	199.0	241.7	239.0	288.6	221.4	168.6	176.9	175.7
1954 .....	217.0	196.8	236.0	231.1	286.8	213.4	167.5	177.0	176.4
1955 .....	218.9	195.1	226.0	226.2	295.7	221.4	187.6	175.2	177.0
1956 .....	225.6	197.3	227.7	230.2	303.7	239.8	199.2	180.8	180.1
1957 .....	227.4	197.0	238.4	236.0	299.4	252.7	176.0	189.3	182.3
1958 .....	227.8	198.1	250.7	229.0	298.5	252.6	167.3	188.5	183.0
1959 .....	230.6	199.5	254.3	228.0	304.0	255.7	174.6	186.5	187.0
1960 .....	230.9	203.0	247.6	229.8	303.8	256.2	177.8	185.6	188.2
1959 Jan.	229.9	198.0	256.7	226.8	300.4	255.4	172.8	188.8	185.5
Feb.	230.9	199.0	256.8	227.0	304.4	255.2	174.3	188.5	185.5
Mar.	230.6	199.6	254.0	225.6	304.1	255.3	176.2	188.6	185.9
Apr.	231.2	200.6	255.8	228.3	304.1	255.6	175.2	187.1	186.6
May	231.2	201.5	253.8	228.8	304.5	255.8	175.7	185.7	187.3
June	230.6	200.0	252.6	229.6	304.4	255.8	174.8	185.1	187.2
July	231.1	199.0	257.1	229.8	304.9	255.8	172.8	185.8	187.3
Aug.	231.0	199.4	256.2	228.6	305.3	255.9	173.0	185.7	187.3
Sept.	230.9	197.8	258.6	228.0	304.9	255.9	173.3	185.6	187.6
Oct.	230.0	198.7	252.4	227.8	304.2	255.9	173.5	185.6	187.8
Nov.	230.2	199.7	250.4	227.3	303.7	255.8	177.4	185.8	188.0
Dec.	229.7	200.3	247.4	228.1	303.4	255.8	175.8	185.7	188.0
1960 Jan.	230.7	203.0	246.5	229.7	304.4	256.7	176.5	186.0	187.9
Feb.	230.2	202.8	242.6	228.8	304.6	256.7	178.2	186.0	188.3
Mar.	229.8	202.6	240.9	228.7	304.4	256.7	177.6	186.4	188.5
Apr.	231.5	206.0	243.4	230.6	306.2	256.6	179.0	185.5	188.6
May	231.6	205.9	241.1	231.9	307.6	257.0	179.7	185.5	188.4
June	232.4	206.0	246.0	231.2	308.8	256.2	180.4	185.3	188.4
July	232.4	205.2	250.5	230.8	306.0	255.9	179.7	185.2	188.4
Aug.	230.5	201.5	250.0	229.1	301.4	255.9	178.9	185.1	188.2
Sept.	230.5	201.4	252.1	228.2	300.8	256.0	177.4	185.2	188.1
Oct.	230.6	202.0	251.0	228.9	301.8	256.0	175.9	185.3	187.9
Nov.	229.9	200.2	251.1	229.8	300.1	255.6	174.9	185.7	187.9
Dec.	230.4	199.9	255.8	229.6	300.1	255.0	174.9	185.8	188.1
1961(2) Jan.	231.3	201.2	258.5	230.3	302.9	255.1	176.2	186.3	188.0
Feb.	231.6	201.6	259.6	232.6	301.7	256.6	174.4	185.9	187.9
Mar.	231.3	200.1	256.2	233.1	301.6	256.7	174.6	186.3	188.1
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(1) Includes gold.

(2) Indexes for 1961 are subject to revision.

TABLE 2. Selected Price Indicators (1935-39=100) - Continued

Special Groupings of Components of General Wholesale Index

Date	Non-farm products(1)	Raw	Fully	Iron	Fully and chiefly manufactured goods	
		and partly mfg. goods(2)	and chiefly mfg. goods(2)	and non-ferrous metals(3)	Iron and non-ferrous metals(4)	Iron
1952 .....	226.0	218.7	230.7	225.0	213.3	212.1
1953 .....	223.3	207.0	228.8	223.1	216.5	215.5
1954 .....	219.6	204.8	224.2	217.9	212.6	211.3
1955 .....	225.9	209.7	224.5	237.2	218.2	215.4
1956 .....	235.7	215.8	231.5	256.6	232.7	229.3
1957 .....	236.0	209.4	237.9	247.6	245.2	244.4
1958 .....	233.0	209.3	238.3	240.8	249.0	249.3
1959 .....	236.0	210.9	241.6	248.3	251.6	251.0
1960 .....	237.0	209.6	242.2	250.6	253.5	252.6
1959 Jan. ....	234.9	211.0	240.5	246.6	250.6	250.3
Feb. ....	236.1	212.2	241.2	247.3	250.5	250.0
Mar. ....	235.2	211.7	240.9	248.9	250.7	250.0
Apr. ....	236.4	211.8	241.9	248.6	251.8	251.1
May ....	236.5	212.3	242.0	249.0	252.1	251.3
June ....	235.2	211.6	241.4	248.6	252.1	251.3
July ....	236.3	211.5	242.1	247.0	251.8	251.3
Aug. ....	236.3	211.1	242.3	247.4	251.9	251.4
Sept. ....	236.1	210.5	242.5	247.7	251.9	251.4
Oct. ....	236.0	208.4	242.2	248.0	251.9	251.4
Nov. ....	236.4	210.2	241.5	250.8	252.1	251.4
Dec. ....	236.2	208.3	241.4	249.6	252.1	251.4
1960 Jan. ....	237.1	209.0	242.4	250.5	253.0	252.3
Feb. ....	237.3	208.6	241.4	251.8	253.2	252.3
Mar. ....	237.2	208.1	241.2	251.5	253.2	252.3
Apr. ....	238.0	211.0	242.4	252.0	253.4	252.2
May ....	238.8	211.0	242.5	252.3	253.8	252.6
June ....	238.9	213.1	242.8	252.1	253.8	252.6
July ....	237.9	212.6	243.0	251.6	253.8	252.6
Aug. ....	236.3	209.3	241.8	251.5	253.8	252.6
Sept. ....	235.8	209.0	242.1	250.3	253.7	252.8
Oct. ....	236.0	208.8	242.2	248.9	253.5	252.8
Nov. ....	235.5	207.4	242.1	247.9	253.6	252.8
Dec. ....	235.3	207.5	242.7	247.5	253.6	252.8
1961(5) Jan. ....	236.0	208.6	243.8	248.1	253.6	252.8
Feb. ....	235.6	208.7	244.6	247.7	253.7	253.0
Mar. ....	236.6	207.6	243.8	248.0	253.7	253.0
Apr. ....						
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- (1) Consists of General Wholesale Index less Animal products and Vegetable products component groups (see preceding page).
- (2) These two series comprise the General Wholesale Index.
- (3) Consists of Iron products and Non-ferrous metals products component groups less gold (see preceding page).
- (4) Excludes gold.
- (5) Indexes for 1961 are subject to revision.

TABLE 2. Selected Price Indicators - Concluded

Date	Industrial materials	Building materials		Canadian farm products(2)		
		Residential(1)	Non- residential	Field	Animal	Total
		(1935-39=100)	(1949=100)	(1935-39=100)		
1952 . . . . .	252.6	124.9	123.2	223.0	277.5	250.2
1953 . . . . .	232.3	123.9	124.4	179.4	263.8	221.6
1954 . . . . .	223.7	121.7	121.8	170.9	256.2	213.6
1955 . . . . .	236.0	124.3	123.4	180.1	245.1	212.6
1956 . . . . .	248.2	128.5	128.0	181.6	246.9	214.2
1957 . . . . .	240.3	128.4	130.0	169.2	258.0	213.6
1958 . . . . .	229.8	127.3	129.8	171.4	274.5	222.9
1959 . . . . .	240.2	130.0	131.7	173.9	271.6	222.8
1960 . . . . .	240.4	129.2	132.3	175.1	264.4	219.8
1959 Jan. . . . .	234.0	128.8	131.3	168.9	278.7	223.8
Feb. . . . .	236.0	129.0	131.5	168.0	274.0	221.0
Mar. . . . .	237.7	129.7	131.7	167.8	269.5	218.6
Apr. . . . .	240.4	130.2	132.1	168.8	271.0	219.9
May . . . . .	241.4	130.9	132.0	178.9	271.0	224.9
June . . . . .	241.7	130.6	131.9	185.5	270.6	228.0
July . . . . .	240.3	130.7	131.9	185.0	272.8	228.9
Aug. . . . .	242.6	130.6	132.0	176.6	274.9	225.8
Sept. . . . .	243.7	130.1	131.6	168.6	277.0	222.8
Oct. . . . .	242.0	129.8	131.1	170.9	267.9	219.4
Nov. . . . .	240.8	129.3	131.6	173.0	269.1	221.0
Dec. . . . .	241.9	129.8	132.2	174.7	263.1	218.9
1960 Jan. . . . .	243.2	129.6	132.0	179.5	257.7	218.6
Feb. . . . .	241.8	129.6	132.1	179.7	252.0	215.9
Mar. . . . .	240.4	129.6	132.2	182.8	252.2	217.5
Apr. . . . .	241.7	129.8	132.5	188.3	256.2	222.2
May . . . . .	243.2	129.6	132.4	190.1	257.8	223.9
June . . . . .	242.2	129.6	132.6	192.9	265.0	229.0
July . . . . .	240.5	129.5	132.8	181.3	270.1	225.7
Aug. . . . .	240.8	128.7	132.7	160.9	271.7	216.3
Sept. . . . .	241.0	128.6	132.3	160.7	273.6	217.2
Oct. . . . .	238.5	128.1	132.3	161.9	269.4	215.7
Nov. . . . .	236.0	128.5	132.0	161.8	271.2	216.5
Dec. . . . .	235.2	128.9	132.3	162.7	276.5	219.6
1961(3) Jan. . . . .	235.4	128.2	131.8	163.7	278.5	221.1
Feb. . . . .	238.1	128.0	131.6	163.3	277.7	220.5
Mar. . . . .	240.1	128.8	131.7	162.4	269.9	216.2
Apr. . . . .						
May . . . . .						
June . . . . .						
July . . . . .						
Aug. . . . .						
Sept. . . . .						
Oct. . . . .						
Nov. . . . .						
Dec. . . . .						

(1) Converted from the base 1935-39=100. See Table 7.

(2) Final to July 1959. Indexes August 1959-July 1960 revised to include final payment for Western barley, announced June 20, 1961. See page 47 for details on Western grain prices and specific publications wherein final indexes for earlier years may be found.

(3) Indexes for 1961 are subject to revision.

TABLE 3. Wholesale Price Index Numbers showing Component Detail(1)  
(1935-39=100)

Commodity group and sub-group	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
General wholesale index .....	231.3	231.6	229.8	230.2	230.9	230.6	227.8
Total vegetable products .....	200.1	201.6	202.6	202.8	203.0	199.5	198.1
Grains .....	181.0	180.6	179.4	180.9	179.8	179.1	174.0
Cereal foods, milled .....	160.3	159.7	159.6	159.3	160.1	157.2	151.0
Feeds, livestock and poultry .....	190.6	230.2	179.3	175.6	180.2	191.6	184.8
Bakery products .....	225.0	225.0	215.6	215.6	221.9	215.4	210.8
Fruits, fresh .....	200.5	203.0	193.8	178.5	190.6	167.9	206.3
Fruits, dried .....	209.8	209.8	229.6	232.0	222.4	230.7	196.7
Fruits, canned .....	185.7	185.7	179.5	179.5	181.5	170.6	168.3
Vegetable oils and products .....	273.0	273.0	282.6	289.7	268.7	300.5	290.9
Rubber and its products .....	212.1	209.8	219.1	217.6	218.7	208.4	196.9
Sugar and its products .....	144.4	145.3	145.6	145.5	147.5	143.9	158.9
Tea, coffee and cocoa .....	310.3	315.1	322.7	327.3	328.0	351.2	396.9
Potatoes .....	184.6	195.0	308.3	274.2	279.4	219.0	189.7
Onions .....	234.0	243.1	177.0	182.4	194.8	302.6	225.8
Vegetables, canned .....	190.1	191.7	204.4	204.4	212.1	198.9	197.4
Raw leaf tobacco .....	219.1	219.7	222.0	225.5	221.4	205.0	200.4
Total animal products .....	256.2	259.6	240.9	242.6	247.6	254.3	250.7
Fishery products .....	370.6	364.8	350.6	343.4	339.6	326.4	312.0
Furs, raw .....	83.4	89.4	89.7	93.1	91.0	86.3	84.6
Hides and skins .....	174.7	158.7	166.8	176.4	155.4	206.8	128.1
Leather, unmanufactured .....	215.2	215.9	233.2	237.7	226.2	263.9	209.2
Boots and shoes .....	246.9	246.9	250.0	250.0	248.5	239.6	221.1
Livestock .....	301.6	314.3	269.8	277.8	292.4	307.1	310.0
Steers .....	379.2	380.3	358.0	361.2	376.1	415.0	384.5
Meats, fresh .....	308.2	316.4	284.0	285.6	300.5	315.7	314.8
Beef and veal carcass .....	365.1	371.1	351.8	346.8	358.2	390.6	373.4
Meats, cured .....	207.5	210.1	162.7	172.5	176.8	190.0	207.8
Poultry, dressed .....	174.7	174.7	177.7	162.6	162.9	131.7	141.1
Milk and its products .....	248.7	248.1	248.8	248.8	246.3	247.3	243.6
Butter .....	248.6	250.0	250.0	250.0	247.9	249.0	247.3
Oils and fats .....	161.9	155.4	112.5	111.6	129.8	114.0	151.9
Eggs .....	133.2	132.2	135.6	116.3	143.2	143.7	154.2
Total textile products .....	233.1	232.6	228.7	228.8	229.8	228.0	229.0
Cotton, raw .....	277.2	271.8	264.1	264.8	266.4	284.4	295.7
Cotton yarns .....	235.2	235.2	235.2	235.2	235.2	236.2	236.6
Cotton fabrics .....	235.2	235.2	231.6	231.2	234.2	230.7	234.7
Cotton knit goods .....	236.5	236.5	236.5	236.5	236.5	232.4	230.7
Miscellaneous fibre products .....	249.4	249.4	206.7	206.7	213.2	200.1	208.9
Silk and nylon thread .....	184.7	184.7	184.7	184.7	184.7	184.2	182.9
Rayon fabrics .....	161.8	161.8	163.7	163.7	161.9	163.1	162.5
Rayon yarns .....	195.1	195.1	191.1	191.1	191.1	191.1	187.3
Raw wool, domestic .....	194.4	199.6	205.6	205.6	200.1	187.5	200.2
Raw wool, imported .....	210.9	206.4	199.6	202.4	198.9	193.7	176.0
Yarns, worsted .....	211.5	211.5	215.2	216.8	215.2	210.8	203.6
Hosiery and knit goods, chiefly wool .....	235.7	235.7	236.1	236.1	235.8	235.6	233.0
Wool blankets .....	302.7	302.7	302.7	302.7	302.7	276.8	293.1
Worsted and wool cloth .....	234.3	234.5	236.5	236.3	235.7	232.1	238.4
Carpets .....	219.8	219.8	216.8	216.8	217.1	215.1	227.7

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TABLE 3. Wholesale Price Index Numbers showing Component Detail(1) - Continued  
(1935-39=100)

Commodity group and sub-group	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>General wholesale index - Continued:</b>							
Total wood products .....	301.6	301.7	304.4	304.6	303.9	304.0	298.5
Lumber and timber .....	418.2	417.1	443.8	443.4	430.8	442.3	419.8
Spruce .....	396.2	396.2	396.0	396.0	396.2	395.8	395.7
Hardwoods .....	341.9	341.9	330.2	330.2	333.2	328.8	340.2
Hemlock .....	371.8	371.8	408.4	419.0	395.3	395.3	381.2
Fir .....	491.5	488.7	537.4	532.4	511.9	522.5	484.0
Cedar .....	387.1	386.2	431.7	435.7	410.5	463.7	410.1
Woodpulp .....	206.1	206.4	218.6	218.9	218.9	220.6	222.6
Newspaper .....	301.5	302.2	291.3	291.9	297.2	292.6	295.3
Wrapping paper, No. 1 Kraft .....	257.3	257.3	257.3	257.3	256.8	250.8	249.1
Total iron products .....	256.7	256.6	256.7	256.7	256.2	255.7	252.6
Pig iron .....	295.3	295.3	295.3	295.3	295.3	295.3	295.3
Rolling mill products .....	251.7	251.7	251.9	251.9	251.8	249.2	246.6
Pipe and tubing .....	269.6	269.6	265.7	265.7	268.3	265.0	263.1
Hardware .....	275.3	275.3	273.6	273.6	273.8	271.3	269.3
Wire .....	294.2	294.2	294.2	294.2	294.2	293.7	292.2
Scrap iron and steel .....	289.8	288.8	304.2	304.2	288.5	307.4	276.1
Tin plate and galvanized sheet .....	238.3	238.3	238.4	238.4	238.4	240.7	239.3
<b>Total non-ferrous metals products:</b>							
(including gold) .....	174.6	174.4	177.6	178.2	177.8	174.6	167.3
(excluding gold) .....	235.7	235.3	244.2	245.0	242.9	238.0	224.1
Antimony .....	184.2	184.2	167.0	167.0	167.5	163.9	160.1
Copper and its products .....	267.9	267.9	297.3	297.3	291.4	285.0	246.5
Lead and its products .....	209.6	209.6	225.2	225.2	224.0	222.6	237.3
Silver .....	233.1	233.8	224.3	224.5	228.9	225.8	223.2
Tin .....	205.5	199.5	191.8	192.9	196.8	196.0	179.6
Zinc and its products .....	279.2	273.8	284.7	295.6	291.1	266.0	238.3
Solder .....	200.6	200.6	200.6	200.6	200.6	199.3	196.4
Total non-metallic minerals products .....	186.3	185.9	186.4	186.0	185.6	186.5	188.5
Clay and allied material products .....	256.3	256.3	256.0	254.2	255.8	253.2	248.4
Pottery .....	198.1	185.8	185.8	185.8	185.8	185.8	180.7
Coal .....	194.0	194.0	193.4	193.3	191.9	193.0	193.2
Coal tar .....	235.7	235.7	212.2	212.2	214.5	242.8	237.9
Coke .....	241.0	241.0	242.7	242.7	241.6	241.3	242.1
Window glass .....	272.7	272.7	272.7	272.7	272.7	272.1	270.2
Plate glass .....	218.8	218.8	218.8	218.8	218.8	218.4	217.0
Petroleum products .....	161.7	161.5	163.1	163.1	162.2	164.2	169.7
Crude oil .....	187.9	187.3	187.4	187.4	187.1	190.1	203.6
Gasoline .....	134.0	134.0	137.4	137.4	135.8	138.0	139.6
Coal oil .....	134.4	134.4	134.4	134.4	134.4	134.4	135.4
Asphalt .....	198.9	198.9	201.1	201.1	199.5	203.7	215.1
Asphalt shingles .....	128.7	128.7	109.2	109.2	116.3	127.2	148.4
Sulphur .....	206.5	207.0	197.6	198.0	201.8	199.6	201.8
Plaster .....	141.4	141.4	137.5	137.5	138.1	137.5	136.3
Lime .....	212.1	212.1	212.1	211.2	212.0	211.2	211.2
Cement .....	163.9	163.9	162.4	162.4	162.6	160.6	163.5
Sand and gravel .....	145.3	145.3	146.9	146.9	145.2	145.4	151.2
Crushed stone .....	171.4	171.4	171.4	171.4	171.4	171.4	165.0
Building stone .....	183.3	183.3	208.8	208.8	208.8	208.8	207.6
Asbestos and its products .....	302.3	302.2	302.3	302.3	302.2	304.3	304.3

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TABLE 3. Wholesale Price Index Numbers showing Component Detail(1) - Concluded  
(1935-39=100)

Commodity group and sub-group	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>General wholesale index - Concluded:</b>							
Total chemical products .....	188.1	187.9	188.5	188.3	188.2	187.0	183.0
Inorganic chemicals .....	150.3	150.3	153.4	153.2	151.8	152.4	149.2
Organic chemicals .....	169.0	169.0	172.2	172.2	172.2	169.4	166.8
Coal tar products .....	189.6	189.6	187.4	187.4	188.5	187.4	186.2
Dyeing and tanning materials .....	205.2	205.2	206.5	206.5	205.0	211.9	211.0
Explosives .....	158.6	158.6	158.6	158.6	158.0	149.8	144.0
Paint, prepared .....	225.2	225.2	222.3	222.3	222.6	222.4	214.9
Fertilizer materials .....	161.8	159.8	161.1	159.1	160.4	158.1	159.0
Industrial gases .....	148.9	150.3	150.3	150.3	150.3	151.0	146.6
Soaps and detergents .....	227.8	227.8	227.8	227.8	227.8	227.0	216.2

(1) Indexes for 1961 are subject to revision.

TABLE 4. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities  
(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
dollars							
<b>Vegetable products:</b>							
Barley, No. 1 feed, bu. ....	.96	.96	.95	.96	.97	.96	.93
Coffee beans, Green Santos 2/3's, lb. ....	.40	.40	.38	.38	.39	.39	.51
Flour, first patent, Toronto, 100-lb. bag .	6.35	6.35	6.30	6.20	6.35	6.16	5.88
Linseed oil, raw, Montreal, gal. ....	1.28	1.25	1.23	1.24	1.24	1.36	1.30
Oats, No. 2 C.W., bu. ....	.78	.77	.83	.83	.83	.79	.78
Potatoes, No. 1 Saint John, 75-lb. bag ....	1.75	1.82	3.20	2.75	2.78	2.12	1.72
Sugar, granulated, std., Montreal, 100-lb. bag ....	7.05	7.15	6.95	6.95	7.12	6.86	7.74
Wheat, No. 2, Manitoba Northern, bu. ....	1.64	1.63	1.62	1.63	1.62	1.64	1.60

**Animal products:**

Butter, prints, 1st. grade, Montreal, lb. .	.66	.66	.66	.66	.65	.65	.64
Eggs, grade "A", large, Montreal, doz. ....	.46	.47	.46	.40	.49	.49	.53
Hides, packer, light native steers, lb. ...	.20	.18	.19	.21	.18	.23	.15
Hogs, Toronto (bonus excluded) 100-lb. ....	26.28	28.50	19.65	21.32	24.00	23.76	28.44
Steers, good, Toronto, 100 lb. ....	23.00	23.00	21.90	21.73	22.72	25.09	23.20

TABLE 4. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities - Concluded  
(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
dollars							
<b>Textile products:</b>							
Cotton, raw, middling, 1", New York, lb. ...	.33	.32	.32	.32	.32	.32	.35
Cotton yarn, 10's, white, lb. ....	.69	.69	.69	.69	.69	.70	.70
Cotton, grey Osnaburg, clean, 7 1/8 oz., yd.	.34	.34	.34	.34	.33	.34	.34
Rayon yarn, 36 filament, 150 denier, lb. ...	.91	.91	.89	.89	.89	.89	.88
Wool, raw, Australian, 64's, clean, lb. ...	1.17	1.10	1.08	1.07	1.08	-	1.22
Wool, raw, Eastern, domestic, lb. ....	.39	.40	.42	.42	.41	.38	.40
<b>Wood products:</b>							
Newsprint paper, standard, Quebec, 2000-lb. ton .....	115.45	115.70	111.53	111.75	113.78	112.04	113.06
Pine, white, No. 1, 1" x 8", 8' - 16', 1000-bd. ft. ....	185.00	185.00	187.00	187.00	187.00	184.67	180.00
Shingles, asphalt, 12" x 36", 100 sq. ft. .	7.25	7.25	6.15	6.15	6.55	7.16	8.16
Spruce, merchantable, 1" x 6"/7", 1000-bd. ft. ....	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	84.83
<b>Iron products:</b>							
Cast iron scrap, 2240-lb. ton .....	48.00	48.00	50.00	50.00	49.67	49.67	46.66
Steel scrap, heavy melting, No. 1, 2240-lb. ton .....	31.69	31.69	33.26	33.26	31.25	33.74	-
Pig iron, foundry, silicon 2.01-2.25, 2240-lb. ton .....	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00
<b>Non-ferrous metals products:</b>							
Copper, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb. ...	27.50	27.50	31.00	30.88	30.24	29.60	25.43
Lead, pig, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	10.00	10.00	10.75	10.75	10.68	10.62	11.33
Tin, ingots, 99.8%, Montreal, lb. ....	1.09	1.07	1.02	1.02	1.05	1.04	.97
Zinc, high grade, electrolytic, 100-lb. ...	12.78	12.60	13.10	13.58	13.35	11.65	10.89
<b>Non-metallic minerals products:</b>							
Cement, Portland, Calgary, 350-lb. ....	3.54	3.54	3.19	3.19	3.36	3.19	3.05
Cement, Portland, Toronto, 350-lb. ....	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.12	3.44
Coal, anthracite, U.S., stove size, 2000-lb. ton .....	19.62	19.87	20.99	20.99	19.46	20.45	20.59
<b>Chemical products:</b>							
Sodium carbonate, (soda ash) 58 p.c., 100-lb. ....	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.45
Sulphuric acid, 66° Baume, 2000-lb. ton ...	24.00	24.00	25.35	25.35	24.45	25.35	25.35

TABLE 5. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry  
(1956=100)

Major group and component industries	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Foods and beverages industries:</b>							
Slaughtering and meat packing .....	115.9	117.4	101.8	103.1	108.3	112.8	116.2
Concentrated milk products .....	103.3	103.3	104.8	103.5	103.1	105.4	110.4
Cheese, processed .....	109.2	109.2	106.8	106.8	108.8	107.2	103.8
Dairy products, other .....	106.6	106.6	106.6	106.6	107.0	105.8	105.3
Fish processing .....	128.1	129.6	120.1	120.1	120.1	113.7	106.3
Fruit and vegetable preparations .....	105.3	105.1	103.1	103.3	104.8	102.9	102.7
Feed mills .....	102.5	102.1	103.7	103.7	103.5	103.6	98.7
Flour mills .....	106.2	109.2	103.4	103.5	104.4	103.6	100.2
Breakfast foods .....	113.2	113.2	111.4	111.4	111.8	111.4	109.0
Biscuits .....	109.5	109.5	109.2	109.2	109.4	107.7	108.0
Bread and other bakery products .....	115.2	115.2	113.1	113.2	114.3	112.9	109.3
Carbonated beverages .....	102.7	102.7	106.7	106.7	106.5	105.1	105.7
Distilled liquors .....	106.1	106.1	106.6	106.6	106.4	106.6	106.6
Breweries .....	106.8	106.8	106.8	106.8	106.8	104.8	104.1
Wines .....	99.8	99.8	100.7	100.7	100.0	100.8	100.2
Confectionery .....	114.0	114.0	114.9	114.9	114.8	115.4	115.1
Sugar refining .....	95.1	96.4	94.0	92.2	95.6	93.6	103.6
Miscellaneous food preparations .....	82.3	81.8	81.9	81.9	82.2	82.5	87.4
Macaroni and kindred products .....	112.6	112.6	108.9	108.9	110.1	108.1	107.2
Malt and malt products .....	92.8	92.8	93.3	93.3	93.8	95.2	96.6
<b>Tobacco and tobacco products industries:</b>							
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes .....	102.2	102.2	101.2	101.2	101.4	101.1	100.0
<b>Rubber products industries:</b>							
Rubber goods, including footwear .....	103.6	103.6	100.4	100.4	102.5	99.3	99.1
<b>Leather products industries:</b>							
Footwear, leather .....	109.3	109.1	109.9	109.7	109.6	105.6	100.6
Gloves and mittens, leather .....	101.9	101.9	109.0	108.7	109.2	102.9	94.3
Leather tanning .....	116.0	112.5	122.7	124.6	119.2	130.8	101.1
Belting, leather .....	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	100.0
<b>Textile mills industries:</b>							
Cotton yarn and cloth .....	95.9	96.0	95.9	95.7	96.0	96.4	98.1
Woollen cloth .....	100.5	100.5	100.9	100.8	100.4	98.6	101.6
Woollen yarn .....	96.5	96.5	98.9	98.8	97.6	96.9	98.3
Miscellaneous woollen goods .....	96.2	96.2	97.6	97.6	97.1	97.5	100.1
Synthetic textiles and silk .....	95.6	95.6(1)	96.6	96.6	96.2	99.0	99.6
Cordage, rope and twine .....	101.7	103.4	98.0	96.6	99.5	93.8	93.4
Bags, cotton and jute .....	117.1	117.5	97.2	97.4	101.6	95.7	96.4
Oilcloth, linoleum and other coated fabrics	102.9	102.2	101.4	101.4	101.8	100.9	100.5
Automobile accessories, fabric .....	88.4	88.5	91.8	91.8	91.4	86.6	86.3

(1) Corrected.

TABLE 5. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry - Continued  
(1956=100)

Major group and component industries	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Clothing and knitting mills industries:</b>							
Clothing, men's factory .....	103.6	103.6	103.2	103.2	103.2	102.3	101.9
Clothing, women's factory .....	86.4	86.3	95.6	95.8	96.0	95.8	105.5
Hosiery .....	87.8	87.8	88.1	88.1	88.1	92.0	93.7
Other knitted goods .....	91.3	91.3	93.7	93.7	93.7	96.7	100.2
Hats and caps .....	103.9	103.9	103.4	104.4	102.7	102.2	100.0
<b>Wood products industries:</b>							
Veneers and plywoods .....	81.6	85.0	89.9	91.5	87.5	93.3	88.9
Sash, door and planing mills .....	100.2	100.0	101.0	101.0	100.4	100.9	100.0
Flooring, hardwood .....	93.6	93.6	95.9	95.6	95.6	97.8	96.4
Lumber mills .....	91.7	90.8	98.0	98.3	95.0	98.6	93.1
Shingle mills .....	83.0	84.6	96.8	97.2	91.3	102.6	92.9
Furniture .....	106.0	106.0	106.4	106.4	106.0	105.2	103.9
Boxes and baskets, wood .....	116.8	117.0	116.3	116.2	116.1	113.8	114.1
<b>Paper products industries:</b>							
Boxes and bags, paper .....	104.1	103.9	103.7	103.7	103.9	103.4	102.0
Pulp mills .....	92.0	92.2	96.1	97.0	96.4	98.0	100.1
Paper mills .....	104.3	104.3	102.8	102.9	103.7	102.8	102.6
Roofing paper .....	97.8	97.8	89.7	88.8	92.8	94.0	98.4
Miscellaneous paper goods .....	104.5	104.4	106.0	106.0	105.5	105.7	104.6
<b>Iron and steel products industries:</b>							
Agricultural implements .....	113.2	113.2	110.7	110.6	111.2	110.1	108.2
Heating and cooking apparatus .....	95.6	95.4	98.0	98.4	97.1	98.1	99.5
Machinery, household, office and store ....	99.1	99.1	100.2	100.2	99.3	99.3	100.1
Castings, iron .....	106.8	106.6	104.8	104.8	105.6	104.1	105.3
Pig iron .....	104.1	104.1	104.0	104.0	105.6	105.4	105.8
Steel ingots and castings .....	121.1	121.1	118.0	118.0	119.6	115.7	108.9
Rolled iron and steel products .....	107.3	107.3	107.5	107.8	107.6	107.2	107.4
Wire and wire goods .....	106.3	106.3	106.0	105.9	106.0	105.6	106.2
<b>Transportation equipment industries:</b>							
Boatbuilding .....	125.3	125.3	124.3	124.3	124.3	118.9	114.0
Motor vehicles .....	116.8	117.1	117.1	117.7	116.3	115.2	111.0
Motor vehicle parts .....	105.8	105.8	104.2	104.2	104.6	103.4	103.4
<b>Non-ferrous metal products industries:</b>							
Aluminum products .....	102.6	102.6	101.3	101.9	101.8	100.2	100.8
Brass and copper products .....	80.5	80.4	84.1	84.0	83.4	82.3	75.8
Jewellery and silverware .....	101.4	101.4	99.3	99.3	100.0	99.1	99.1
Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining ...	93.0	92.7	92.9	92.8	93.4	90.7	88.2
White metal alloys .....	86.8	86.8	88.2	88.2	88.1	86.1	85.1

TABLE 5. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry - Concluded  
(1956=100)

Major group and component industries	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Electrical apparatus and supplies industries:</b>							
Batteries .....	99.2	99.2	99.8	99.8	98.6	99.6	101.6
Machinery, heavy electrical .....	88.5	89.5	99.7	99.8	96.7	97.7	98.0
Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and appliances .....	83.8	-	91.0	91.4	89.2	94.8	95.8
Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and supplies .....	100.9	100.9	102.2	102.2	102.2	103.1	102.0
Wires and cables .....	82.4	83.3	87.3	86.0	86.2	85.5	80.3
<b>Non-metallic mineral products industries:</b>							
Abrasives, artificial .....	113.1	113.1	113.0	113.0	113.0	111.6	109.6
Clay products from imported clay .....	107.4	107.4	107.9	108.2	108.0	103.0	101.4
Gypsum products .....	105.6	105.6	104.8	104.8	105.0	105.2	103.5
Concrete products .....	96.4	96.4	97.8	97.8	96.9	98.9	99.4
Clay products from domestic clay .....	110.8	110.8(1)	108.8	108.2	109.8	106.8	104.2
<b>Products of petroleum and coal industries:</b>							
Coke and gas products .....	106.2	106.2	107.4	107.4	106.6	106.5	105.8
Petroleum refining and products .....	99.1	99.1	100.1	100.1	99.7	100.4	100.9
Lubricating oils and greases .....	114.1	114.1	111.8	111.8	113.0	111.5	110.4
<b>Chemicals and allied products industries:</b>							
Acids, alkalies and salts .....	104.2	104.3	105.4	105.6	104.6	105.2	103.6
Fertilizers .....	102.3	101.4	101.7	101.4	101.5	101.8	102.7
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations .....	99.8	99.0	102.6	102.0	102.1	102.2	101.1
Paints, varnishes and lacquers .....	106.6	106.6	105.9	105.9	105.9	105.8	103.9
Soaps, washing compounds and cleaning preparations .....	113.4	113.4	113.4	113.4	113.4	111.4	107.1
Vegetable oils .....	100.6	98.7	86.2	88.0	87.5	92.5	92.2
Primary plastics .....	90.2	90.9	93.3	93.3	93.0	94.2	98.2
Inks, printing .....	104.2	104.2	104.1	104.1	104.1	103.8	103.1
Polishes and dressings .....	111.0	109.9	108.2	108.2	107.9	106.6	104.4
Gases, compressed .....	113.2	113.2	111.5	116.3	112.4	110.5	104.2
Adhesives .....	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	106.9	105.4
<b>Miscellaneous manufacturing industries:</b>							
Typewriter supplies .....	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3
Fountain pens and pencils .....	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4
Clocks, watches and watch cases .....	103.0	103.0	101.4	101.4	101.4	101.6	99.2
Buttons, buckles and fasteners .....	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1	103.2
Candles .....	103.8	103.8	103.4	103.4	103.4	103.0	102.8
Pipes, lighters and smokers' supplies .....	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.6	100.9	101.8

(1) Corrected.

TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Slaughtering and meat packing industry:</b>							
Pork, fresh or frozen .....	108.3	114.6	86.2	93.2	103.1	99.6	109.1
Sausage, fresh .....	115.4	115.4	99.5	99.3	105.5	105.4	117.7
Weiners and bologna .....	135.8	135.8	120.6	121.4	127.8	130.6	136.3
Margarine .....	90.1	89.0	88.5	88.5	88.3	93.4	97.0
<b>Concentrated milk products industry:</b>							
Milk, whole, evaporated .....	109.6	109.6	109.6	105.7	109.0	107.8	107.8
Milk, whole, powder, spray process .....	106.3	106.3	108.0	108.0	107.0	107.5	110.8
Milk, skim, powder, spray process .....	77.9	77.9	84.8	92.3	78.8	95.1	119.6
<b>Fish processing industry:</b>							
Cod, fillets, frozen .....	120.2	121.8	118.7	118.7	110.9	117.8	107.9
Salmon, canned, sockeye .....	129.4	129.4	119.1	119.1	122.5	109.6	102.2
<b>Fruit and vegetable preparations industry:</b>							
Peaches, canned .....	114.2	114.2	111.0	111.0	112.5	97.3	95.0
Corn, creamed, whole grain, canned .....	118.4	118.4	121.5	121.5	121.5	119.3	111.8
Peas, canned .....	103.6	103.6	99.4	99.4	100.8	93.4	91.6
Tomato juice, canned .....	103.6	103.6	85.4	85.4	97.4	99.0	102.6
<b>Feed mills industry:</b>							
Feeds, dairy and cattle .....	99.7	100.4	99.0	99.7	97.7	99.4	96.5
<b>Flour mills industry:</b>							
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 2 patent .....	108.4	108.4	108.7	108.7	109.3	108.3	104.0
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 3 patent .....	106.1	106.1	104.2	104.2	104.7	104.3	100.8
Wheat flour, Ontario winter .....	111.9	111.9	118.5	118.5	114.3	103.4	97.6
Shorts and middlings .....	96.0	112.5	83.1	83.9	87.9	92.7	92.0
<b>Bread and other bakery products industry:</b>							
Rolls and buns, plain .....	123.3	123.3	118.3	118.3	120.4	116.6	117.3
Pies, cakes, cookies and pastries .....	111.4	111.4	109.1	109.1	109.8	108.3	108.7
<b>Breweries industry:</b>							
Beer in small bottles .....	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	104.2	103.8
<b>Confectionery industry:</b>							
Chewing gum .....	102.4	102.4	102.7	102.7	102.7	102.8	103.4
Chocolate bars .....	107.1	107.1	108.8	108.8	108.2	109.0	108.7
Chocolate, in packages .....	115.7	115.7	118.0	118.0	118.0	117.3	115.4
Sugar confectionery, in bulk .....	128.8	128.8	127.3	127.3	128.0	128.9	129.8

TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Sugar refining industry:</b>							
Sugar, granulated, cane and beet .....	95.5	96.8	94.1	92.2	95.9	94.0	103.8
Sugar, yellow or brown, cane and beet .....	90.2	91.5	90.9	90.2	91.6	88.8	99.0
Sugar, icing, cane and beet .....	97.6	98.9	97.9	96.6	98.5	94.4	106.4
<b>Miscellaneous food preparations industry:</b>							
Coffee, roasted .....	62.2	62.2	62.2	62.3	62.4	63.2	73.9
Jelly powders .....	102.9	102.9	102.9	102.9	102.9	102.9	102.9
Tea, blended, packaged .....	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6
<b>Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes, industry:</b>							
Tobacco, smoking, fine cut .....	109.0	109.0	105.0	105.0	105.8	105.1	101.9
Cigarettes .....	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	99.9	99.2
<b>Rubber goods, including footwear, industry:</b>							
Tires, balloon, passenger cars, standard ..	102.8	102.8	98.8	98.8	101.1	98.5	99.2
Hose, fire, garden, etc. .....	100.3	100.3	101.8	101.8	103.0	99.9	98.2
<b>Footwear, leather, industry:</b>							
Men's goodyear welts .....	111.1	111.1	112.7	112.7	111.6	108.2	102.1
Misses' stitchdowns .....	102.4	102.4	106.8	106.8	105.3	104.3	102.1
Children's and little gents' stitchdowns ..	113.1	113.1	116.7	116.7	115.2	109.0	109.2
Babies and infants' stitchdowns .....	109.1	109.1	112.0	112.0	110.8	107.4	102.6
<b>Gloves and mittens, leather, industry:</b>							
Gloves and mittens, dress, men's lined ....	90.5	90.5	93.6	93.6	93.9	92.3	90.6
Gloves and mittens, work, men's unlined ...	109.1	109.1	118.7	118.2	118.8	109.3	96.5
<b>Leather tanning industry:</b>							
Upper leather, cattle hides .....	118.3	112.4	122.7	125.9	118.8	133.1	100.7
Upper leather, chrome splits .....	111.8	109.2	130.7	132.6	124.9	124.6	101.0
Sole leather, shoulders .....	110.0	111.1	115.1	115.1	113.0	117.6	99.9
<b>Synthetic textiles and silk industry:</b>							
Woven fabrics, continuous filament rayon ..	102.7	102.9	102.9	102.9	102.9	100.6	99.3
Woven fabrics, mixtures of continuous filament rayon and cotton .....	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.3	97.3	100.0
<b>Cordage, rope and twine industry:</b>							
Twine, all sisal .....	117.0	117.0	105.3	105.3	107.0	95.7	95.7

TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Bags, cotton and jute, industry:</b>							
Bags, jute .....	132.0	132.8	95.2	95.5	103.1	94.6	97.8
Bags, cotton .....	100.4	100.4	99.4	99.4	99.8	97.0	94.7
<b>Clothing, men's factory, industry:</b>							
Jackets, separate, civilian .....	110.8	110.8	108.6	108.6	109.2	107.3	107.1
Shirts, cotton, fine .....	100.0	100.0	99.0	99.0	99.1	99.0	99.0
Shirts, cotton, work .....	96.5	96.5	100.1	100.1	99.2	97.4	98.4
Pyjamas .....	100.6	100.6	100.6	100.6	100.6	100.6	100.4
<b>Clothing, women's factory, industry:</b>							
Slips, rayon and rayon mixtures .....	95.3	95.3	96.4	96.4	96.3	98.7	97.9
<b>Hosiery industry:</b>							
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, fine .....	92.0	92.0	93.7	93.7	93.2	95.0	93.8
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, work .....	97.8	97.8	97.8	97.8	97.8	97.8	97.8
<b>Other knitted goods industry:</b>							
Knitted goods, infants', all kinds .....	96.8	96.8	96.1	96.6	96.2	99.5	101.5
Linings, glove and shoe .....	100.2	100.2	101.0	101.0	101.0	100.6	101.4
<b>Veneers and plywoods industry:</b>							
Veneer, yellow birch .....	90.9	90.9	97.0	97.0	95.9	90.7	88.9
Plywood, Douglas fir .....	73.4	79.6	84.8	87.9	81.4	92.9	85.5
Plywood, yellow birch .....	94.6	94.6	97.5	97.5	96.9	96.4	95.6
Doors, veneer and plywood, slab-type .....	87.5	87.5	90.9	90.9	89.4	94.6	97.3
<b>Sash, door and planing mills industry:</b>							
Sash and doors .....	111.3	111.3	108.5	108.5	109.4	105.0	101.4
Lumber, matched .....	95.3	95.3	98.7	98.8	96.0	100.5	101.3
Lumber, planed .....	92.6	92.1	95.5	95.5	94.2	97.6	98.2
Mouldings .....	103.2	103.2	104.3	104.3	104.3	104.4	104.3
<b>Flooring, hardwood, industry:</b>							
Flooring, birch .....	97.6	97.6	100.4	100.4	100.5	100.4	98.4
Flooring, red oak .....	89.7	89.7	91.4	90.8	90.8	95.1	94.3
<b>Lumber mills industry:</b>							
Pine, white .....	105.9	105.9	105.9	105.9	105.9	103.7	101.2
Pine, jack and lodge-pole .....	87.6	87.5	91.0	91.7	90.1	94.2	92.7
Birch, yellow .....	106.9	107.0	102.5	102.6	104.2	104.2	104.0
Maple, hard .....	94.8	94.9	90.5	90.5	93.8	95.2	94.4

TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Furniture industry:</b>							
Bedroom furniture, wooden, not upholstered.	107.2	107.2	107.7	107.7	106.4	106.0	104.0
Office furnishings and fixtures, wooden ...	114.6	114.6	113.8	113.8	113.2	104.6	106.4
Office and store furnishings and fixtures, metal .....	106.9	106.9	105.8	105.8	105.8	104.5	101.8
Mattresses, spring filled .....	98.4	98.4	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.2	101.0
<b>Boxes and bags, paper, industry:</b>							
Boxes, folding .....	104.4	104.4	103.3	103.3	103.3	104.2	102.7
Boxes, corrugated, including wrappers ....	101.8	101.8	102.8	102.8	102.8	102.0	100.5
Bags, self-opening, square .....	107.2	107.2	105.2	105.5	105.1	107.1	107.0
<b>Pulp mills industry:</b>							
Sulphite, bleached, paper grade, domestic market .....	91.0	91.0	102.6	102.6	100.4	102.3	103.2
Groundwood pulp, export market .....	96.3	96.4	92.2	92.3	93.7	97.3	97.4
Sulphite, unbleached, strong, export market	95.0	95.4	100.4	100.5	101.7	100.8	102.5
Sulphate, bleached, export market .....	93.5	93.6	98.6	98.7	99.1	99.4	100.6
<b>Paper mills industry:</b>							
Paper, book .....	111.9	111.9	107.9	107.9	110.0	107.8	105.4
Paper, fine .....	112.0	112.0	107.8	107.9	110.0	107.8	104.9
Box board, for folding cartons .....	107.6	107.6	107.4	107.4	107.8	107.7	102.4
Building board .....	103.8	103.8	105.5	105.5	105.4	104.2	101.6
<b>Roofing paper industry:</b>							
Roll roofing, smooth surfaced .....	108.5	108.5	90.5	90.5	96.4	92.2	97.0
Roll roofing, felt, mineral surfaced .....	99.0	99.0	87.5	87.5	91.2	90.8	99.0
Felts, tar and asphalt saturated .....	98.0	98.0	89.0	89.0	94.3	91.9	91.7
Floor tiles, asphalt .....	104.0	104.0	103.0	103.0	103.4	103.0	103.0
<b>Miscellaneous paper goods industry:</b>							
Envelopes .....	98.3	98.3	106.7	106.7	104.0	106.5	108.0
Paper, toilet, packaged .....	107.2	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	104.8	103.3
Paper, waxed, including bread wrappers ....	102.7	102.7	102.9	102.9	102.8	104.2	104.0
Tissues, facial .....	97.2	97.0	100.6	100.6	98.5	100.0	100.0
<b>Agricultural implements industry:</b>							
Drills, grain and fertilizer, combination .	120.0	120.0	116.6	116.6	117.4	115.6	109.5
Harrow-ploughs, one-way discs, tiller combines .....	111.2	111.2(1)	107.7	107.7	107.7	106.9	105.2
Combines, reaper-threshers and stationary threshers .....	113.4	113.4	111.3	111.3	111.5	110.7	109.6
Swathers or windrowers .....	113.2	113.2	106.2	106.2	109.4	106.0	104.8
<b>Heating and cooking apparatus industry:</b>							
Furnaces, oil, gravity or forced air circulation .....	95.0	95.0	94.8	94.8	94.4	94.7	98.1
Stoves and ranges, cooking, gas .....	100.0	100.0	103.2	103.5	102.5	101.9	101.2

(1) Corrected.

**TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities - Continued**  
**(1956=100)**

TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Batteries industry:</b>							
Batteries, storage, automotive .....	85.5	85.5	87.7	87.7	84.8	88.0	97.2
Batteries, drycell, radio, non-portable ...	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.7	107.8	103.1
Batteries, drycell, flashlight .....	128.2	128.2	128.0	128.0	128.1	126.7	120.8
<b>Machinery, heavy electrical, industry:</b>							
Industrial control equipment .....	100.8	100.8	110.3	110.3	107.8	110.3	117.2
Generators .....	93.0	93.0	95.0	95.0	94.7	95.0	103.8
Motors a-c .....	98.9	98.9	102.0	102.0	100.4	99.1	102.0
Motors d-c .....	105.3	103.8	106.0	106.0	106.0	103.1	108.0
Transformers .....	68.6	72.1	97.3	96.9	90.2	. 94.0	88.5
<b>Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and appliances industry:</b>							
Stoves or ranges, cooking, domestic, over 35 amps. ....	84.3	85.3	92.6	92.6	92.1	99.4	95.8
Irons, automatic, flat .....	101.5	99.3	101.5	101.5	100.0	99.8	101.5
Washing machines, electric, domestic, conventional .....	91.8	93.6(1)	96.2	97.1	94.8	95.9	98.4
Refrigerators, household .....	76.8	77.6	86.4	87.0	83.5	91.1	93.8
<b>Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and supplies industry:</b>							
Lamps, incandescent, standard .....	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	112.1	106.2
Lamps, fluorescent .....	102.8	102.8	102.8	102.8	102.8	103.6	103.0
Lighting fixtures, fluorescent, commercial.	102.9	102.9	102.8	102.8	103.1	102.4	100.9
<b>Wires and cables industry:</b>							
Conductors, un-insulated:							
Copper, copperweld, including trolley wires .....	78.4	78.4	82.0	81.8	81.9	80.5	72.6
Conductors, insulated:							
Weatherproof wires, all types .....	72.5	72.5	79.1	79.1	77.6	76.6	68.8
Rubber-insulated and braided .....	83.2	86.9	94.6	94.6	92.2	92.3	84.4
Magnet wires, enamelled .....	86.5	86.5	91.1	91.1	90.1	89.2	81.4
<b>Abrasives, artificial, industry:</b>							
Alumina, fused, crude .....	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.8	110.4
Silicon carbide, crude .....	110.2	110.2	110.2	110.2	110.2	109.3	107.5
<b>Gypsum products industry:</b>							
Lath, gypsum .....	104.4	104.4	104.4	104.4	104.4	104.4	103.1
<b>Concrete products industry:</b>							
Blocks, gravel, building .....	94.5	94.5	98.8	98.8	96.0	99.4	100.3
Concrete, ready-mixed .....	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2

(1) Corrected.

**TABLE 6. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Commodities - Concluded**  
**(1956=100)**

TABLE 7. Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials  
(1935-39=100)

Date	Total index	Principal components								Plumb-ing and heat-ing equip-ment	Elec-trical equip-ment	Other mate-rials
		Cement, sand and gravel	Brick, tile and stone	Lumber and its pro-ducts	Lath, plaster and insu-lation	Roof-ing mat-rials	Paint and glass					
1952 .....	284.8	149.5	195.3	415.7	128.5	217.7	194.9	215.6	212.0	226.3		
1953 .....	282.6	151.8	205.8	410.6	128.5	218.6	203.8	209.0	211.4	229.5		
1954 .....	277.5	151.3	207.4	400.5	128.8	233.4	208.9	202.8	207.7	226.6		
1955 .....	283.4	149.4	209.5	409.4	125.3	244.5	219.7	207.2	229.2	230.3		
1956 .....	292.9	149.7	218.8	420.2	130.8	259.6	226.9	217.9	243.7	243.7		
1957 .....	292.8	153.6	223.8	415.2	136.9	253.3	225.4	227.6	209.2	253.8		
1958 .....	290.2	156.8	224.6	409.8	139.8	235.4	226.6	229.8	186.9	254.0		
1959 .....	296.3	153.8	227.8	421.1	140.9	239.3	229.3	231.6	201.6	256.9		
1960 .....	294.5	154.6	229.3	415.9	142.4	214.5	230.5	235.2	198.2	262.3		
1959 Jan. ....	293.6	156.3	226.3	415.8	139.8	247.6	228.7	229.8	194.8	255.7		
Feb. ....	294.2	152.3	226.3	417.8	139.8	247.6	228.7	229.8	197.5	254.9		
Mar. ....	295.8	152.2	226.3	421.0	139.8	250.8	228.7	229.8	201.5	254.9		
Apr. ....	296.9	152.0	227.7	421.7	141.9	256.3	228.7	230.7	203.2	256.8		
May ....	298.4	152.0	228.4	425.6	141.4	248.9	228.7	231.1	203.3	256.8		
June ....	297.7	152.0	228.4	424.0	141.4	248.2	228.7	231.1	203.3	256.8		
July ....	298.0	154.7	228.4	424.7	141.2	231.5	228.7	232.8	204.1	256.8		
Aug. ....	297.8	154.7	228.4	424.1	141.2	231.5	228.7	232.8	204.1	257.7		
Sept. ....	296.7	154.7	228.4	421.0	141.2	237.9	230.6	232.8	203.5	257.7		
Oct. ....	295.9	154.7	228.4	419.8	141.2	228.7	230.6	232.8	201.4	257.7		
Nov. ....	294.8	154.7	228.4	417.6	141.2	222.3	230.6	232.8	201.0	258.5		
Dec. ....	295.9	154.7	228.4	420.4	141.2	220.2	230.6	232.8	201.0	258.5		
1960 Jan. ....	295.5	154.7	228.3	419.3	139.8	213.8	230.0	234.5	199.7	261.8		
Feb. ....	295.4	154.7	228.3	418.7	140.2	217.6	230.0	234.5	199.5	261.8		
Mar. ....	295.6	154.7	229.7	419.0	140.2	217.6	230.0	234.5	199.5	261.8		
Apr. ....	295.9	154.7	229.7	419.9	140.2	214.4	230.0	234.5	199.8	261.8		
May ....	295.4	154.1	229.7	418.7	140.2	208.5	230.0	236.0	198.4	261.8		
June ....	295.4	154.1	229.7	417.7	143.5	212.3	230.0	235.6	198.8	262.3		
July ....	295.2	155.0	229.7	417.3	143.5	212.3	230.0	235.6	195.9	262.3		
Aug. ....	293.5	155.0	229.7	413.6	142.7	212.3	230.0	235.6	197.3	262.3		
Sept. ....	293.2	155.0	229.7	412.6	142.7	212.3	230.0	235.5	198.0	262.6		
Oct. ....	292.1	154.3	229.0	409.9	143.1	217.3	230.0	235.5	197.7	262.8		
Nov. ....	292.9	154.3	229.0	410.6	146.8	219.5	230.0	235.5	197.7	263.1		
Dec. ....	293.8	154.3	229.0	413.0	145.6	215.6	235.6	235.5	195.7	263.1		
1961(1) Jan. ...	292.2	154.3	229.0	410.5	142.3	216.0	235.6	234.9	195.6	262.3		
Feb. ...	291.9	152.6	230.2	409.8	142.3	215.2	235.6	235.8	192.7	262.3		
Mar. ...	293.7	152.6	230.2	414.4	142.3	213.3	235.6	235.8	191.3	262.3		
Apr. ...												
May ...												
June ...												
July ...												
Aug. ...												
Sept. ...												
Oct. ...												
Nov. ...												
Dec. ...												

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TABLE 8. Price Index Numbers of Non-Residential Building Materials  
(1949=100)

Date	Total index	Principal components					
		Aggregate, cement, and concrete mix	Blocks, brick, and building stone	Tile	Lumber and lumber products	Plumbing, heating, and other equipment	Electrical equipment and fixtures
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	127.5	118.0	121.3
1956 .....	128.0	117.0	130.3	120.8	131.5	123.4	123.6
1957 .....	130.0	119.4	134.0	118.5	128.7	124.1	118.4
1958 .....	129.8	119.6	135.7	118.2	126.8	123.8	114.0
1959 .....	131.7	118.6	137.4	118.3	131.3	126.0	119.2
1960 .....	132.3	119.8	139.1	121.0	129.0	126.7	119.5
1959 Jan.	131.3	122.3	136.6	118.6	127.8	125.4	116.4
Feb.	131.5	120.3	137.4	117.8	129.3	125.4	118.0
Mar.	131.7	120.3	137.1	117.9	130.5	125.6	118.3
Apr.	132.1	117.6	137.4	117.9	131.3	126.1	120.4
May	132.0	115.9	137.4	117.9	132.6	126.2	120.4
June	131.9	115.9	137.4	118.0	132.6	126.2	120.4
July	131.9	117.3	137.4	118.7	132.8	126.0	121.4
Aug.	132.0	117.3	137.4	118.7	132.9	126.2	121.4
Sept.	131.6	117.3	137.4	118.7	132.4	126.2	118.6
Oct.	131.1	117.3	137.4	118.7	131.7	126.2	117.2
Nov.	131.6	119.4	137.3	118.5	130.8	126.4	119.5
Dec.	132.2	121.7	138.5	118.5	130.9	126.4	119.0
1960 Jan.	132.0	121.7	138.5	118.6	130.8	126.5	117.6
Feb.	132.1	121.7	138.5	118.2	130.6	126.7	118.0
Mar.	132.2	121.7	139.7	118.2	130.4	126.7	117.7
Apr.	132.5	119.4	139.5	118.2	130.5	126.9	122.7
May	132.4	117.2	139.5	122.1	129.4	127.0	122.1
June	132.6	117.3	139.5	122.1	129.1	127.0	122.1
July	132.8	118.8	139.3	122.3	129.1	127.0	122.1
Aug.	132.7	118.8	139.3	122.3	128.3	126.9	122.1
Sept.	132.3	118.8	139.3	122.3	127.4	126.6	120.3
Oct.	132.3	118.6	138.6	122.1	127.1	126.4	119.7
Nov.	132.0	120.3	138.6	122.1	127.1	126.4	114.7
Dec.	132.3	122.9	138.6	123.2	127.9	126.4	114.6
1961(1) Jan.	131.8	122.6	139.5	122.0	127.5	125.7	114.6
Feb.	131.6	122.2	136.7	122.8	126.7	125.9	114.1
Mar.	131.7	122.2	137.0	122.8	127.2	125.8	114.1
Apr.							
May							
June							
July							
Aug.							
Sept.							
Oct.							
Nov.							
Dec.							

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TABLE 8. Price Index Numbers of Non-Residential Building Materials - Concluded  
(1949=100)

Date	Principal components					
	Steel and metal work	Hard- ware	Lath, plaster, and insulation	Roofing materials	Paint and glass	Miscel- laneous materials
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
1957 .....	147.8	151.9	115.5	140.0	144.2	93.8
1958 .....	150.9	155.1	118.5	123.3	145.3	93.7
1959 .....	152.6	156.2	119.5	121.8	146.3	93.7
1960 .....	152.9	157.6	119.6	126.5	146.4	97.2
1959 Jan. ....	152.3	155.0	118.3	128.2	146.1	93.7
Feb. ....	152.4	155.3	118.2	127.8	146.2	93.7
Mar. ....	152.4	155.3	118.5	127.8	146.2	93.7
Apr. ....	152.6	156.6	120.0	132.6	146.2	93.7
May ....	152.6	156.6	120.0	130.0	146.2	93.7
June ....	152.6	156.6	119.9	128.1	146.2	93.7
July ....	152.6	156.6	120.0	116.7	146.2	93.7
Aug. ....	152.6	156.6	119.9	117.2	146.2	93.7
Sept. ....	152.6	156.6	119.9	117.2	146.5	93.7
Oct. ....	152.6	156.6	119.9	108.5	146.5	93.7
Nov. ....	152.8	156.1	119.9	108.9	146.6	93.7
Dec. ....	152.9	156.1	119.9	118.4	146.5	93.7
1960 Jan. ....	152.9	157.5	118.6	118.4	146.2	93.7
Feb. ....	153.0	157.5	118.6	118.5	146.2	93.7
Mar. ....	153.0	157.5	119.3	118.5	146.2	93.7
Apr. ....	152.9	157.5	119.3	118.5	146.2	93.7
May ....	152.9	157.5	119.3	122.8	146.2	93.7
June ....	152.9	157.5	120.1	128.9	146.2	93.7
July ....	152.9	157.5	120.2	129.0	146.2	100.6
Aug. ....	152.9	157.5	119.4	129.0	146.2	100.6
Sept. ....	152.8	157.9	119.4	129.0	146.2	100.6
Oct. ....	152.8	157.9	119.3	135.8	146.2	100.6
Nov. ....	152.8	157.9	121.2	137.7	146.2	100.6
Dec. ....	153.1	157.9	120.1	131.6	148.5	100.6
1961(1) Jan. ....	153.1	157.9	116.9	124.3	148.5	100.1
Feb. ....	153.2	158.5	116.8	128.5	148.5	100.1
Mar. ....	153.2	158.5	116.8	128.5	148.5	100.1
Apr. ....						
May ....						
June ....						
July ....						
Aug. ....						
Sept. ....						
Oct. ....						
Nov. ....						
Dec. ....						

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TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes  
(1949=100)

TABLE 10. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications  
(1949=100)

	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
All-items index .....	129.1	128.9	126.9	127.2	128.0	126.5	125.1
Food .....	124.0	124.0	119.4	120.8	122.2	121.1	122.1
Food at home .....	124.0	123.9	119.4	120.8	122.2	121.1	122.1
Dairy products .....	130.3	130.4	131.2	131.2	131.2	129.7	128.7
Cereal products .....	142.7	142.7	139.5	139.6	141.4	138.8	135.9
Miscellaneous groceries ...	118.1	118.1	116.5	116.6	117.3	118.4	122.5
Restaurant meals(1) .....	105.7	105.7	103.3	103.3	104.2	103.6	103.8
Housing .....	133.2	133.1	132.4	132.3	132.7	131.4	129.0
Shelter .....	144.7	144.7	142.9	142.9	143.7	141.4	138.4
Tenant costs .....	143.2	143.2	142.6	142.5	142.8	142.0	140.5
Home-ownership costs .....	146.7	146.7	143.4	143.4	145.0	140.6	135.6
Property taxes .....	146.6	146.6	142.3	142.3	143.4	137.6	134.1
Mortgage interest ....	109.3	109.3	109.3	109.3	109.3	109.3	104.9
Repairs .....	161.8	161.7	157.3	157.1	159.4	154.2	148.5
New houses .....	153.5	153.6	150.8	150.8	152.6	148.4	142.5
Personal property insurance .....	126.9	126.9	120.1	120.1	124.6	117.3	111.8
Household operation .....	123.3	123.2	123.4	123.2	123.3	122.7	121.0
Fuel (excluding electricity) .....	118.3	117.9	119.8	119.8	118.1	118.5	117.5
Coal .....	124.0	124.1	126.0	126.0	123.5	125.2	124.2
Fuel oil .....	106.7	106.2	108.7	108.8	107.9	108.6	107.0
Domestic gas .....	111.0	111.0	111.0	111.0	111.0	106.5	106.1
Electricity .....	117.6	117.6	116.8	116.8	117.2	116.8	115.7
Home furnishings .....	116.4	116.1	116.8	116.4	116.9	117.0	116.8
Appliances .....	87.2	87.2	90.1	90.1	90.5	94.6	96.5
Furniture .....	122.6	121.7	122.5	122.6	121.8	122.2	121.4
Floor coverings .....	130.7	130.8	130.8	129.1	130.9	130.9	131.4
Textiles .....	113.7	113.7	112.8	112.8	112.8	112.0	112.6
Utensils and equipment ..	141.2	141.1	139.6	138.1	140.5	135.7	133.0
Supplies and services ....	137.5	137.8	136.3	136.3	137.0	134.8	130.2
Supplies .....	130.6	131.3	129.2	129.6	130.4	127.6	123.0
Services .....	142.6	142.6	141.4	141.4	141.9	140.8	134.6
Telephone rates .....	148.6	148.6	147.9	147.9	148.0	147.6	138.9
Household help .....	160.9	160.9	158.2	158.2	159.3	156.6	150.0
Household effects insurance .....	114.1	114.1	110.8	110.8	113.0	109.6	107.9
Clothing .....	111.8	111.5	110.4	109.8	110.9	109.9	109.7
Men's wear .....	118.6	118.6	117.1	116.7	117.5	117.3	116.4
Suit .....	123.1	123.1	120.3	119.2	120.7	119.7	119.0
Business shirt .....	115.9	115.9	116.0	115.8	115.7	115.8	114.9
Hat .....	123.4	121.6	117.0	117.0	117.5	114.4	112.8
Women's wear .....	97.0	96.2	96.0	95.5	96.4	96.5	97.9
Winter coat .....	102.4	102.4	96.0	96.0	99.4	101.7	104.6
Spring coat .....	91.8	84.8	95.1	86.8	89.0	91.1	93.4
Cotton street dress ...	89.7	89.7	83.6	83.6	89.6	86.8	89.1
Slip .....	98.9	98.6	98.1	98.0	98.6	98.7	99.7
Hosiery .....	79.8	79.9	80.4	80.3	80.4	80.6	80.9

See footnotes at end of tables.

TABLE 10. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Clothing - Concluded</b>							
Children's wear .....	106.4	106.1	104.3	103.8	104.9	105.0	105.4
Boys							
Slacks .....	115.4	115.2	114.3	114.4	114.4	114.2	113.3
T-Shirt .....	118.2	118.2	114.9	114.9	116.9	115.3	113.9
Sweater .....	113.3	113.2	113.1	113.8	113.2	113.9	112.3
Parka .....	93.5	93.5	92.4	92.4	94.2	90.8	92.8
Girls							
Spring coat .....	121.7	116.4	122.1	110.3	116.9	115.3	119.6
Cotton dress .....	90.0	90.1	90.2	90.0	90.4	89.7	89.2
Snow suit .....	95.5	95.5	89.2	89.2	91.4	92.8	95.3
Infants							
Diapers .....	112.8	112.8	116.1	117.8	114.0	117.1	117.8
Overalls .....	113.9	113.9	111.8	111.6	112.3	112.9	113.2
Footwear .....	146.5	146.4	143.4	142.2	144.2	137.6	133.5
Men's oxfords .....	152.3	152.2	148.2	146.6	149.3	139.4	135.1
Women's street shoes ..	144.3	144.1	140.3	138.8	141.2	135.5	131.2
Children's shoes .....	148.7	148.7	148.6	148.6	148.7	135.9	130.6
Women's overshoes .....	138.3	138.3	136.4	136.4	137.4	141.7	140.6
Piece Goods .....	113.9	113.8	112.5	112.2	113.2	112.0	111.4
Cotton dress print .....	106.3	106.0	105.0	105.0	104.8	104.6	104.0
Wool dress material .....	96.2	96.2	95.3	95.3	95.7	94.6	94.4
Clothing services .....	141.4	141.8	140.6	140.1	140.9	138.0	135.9
Laundry .....	151.8	151.9	149.3	147.8	149.9	146.7	144.4
Dry cleaning .....	131.2	132.0	131.5	132.1	131.8	130.2	129.5
Shoe repairs .....	147.3	146.0	145.7	144.5	145.3	140.3	135.4
Jewellery(1) .....	106.9	106.9	104.3	104.3	105.3	104.4	102.8
Transportation .....	141.0	141.1	139.8	139.6	140.3	138.4	133.8
Automobile operation .....	122.8	123.2	124.3	124.0	123.1	122.9	121.2
New passenger car .....	126.4	127.2	131.6	132.9	128.0	127.1	121.6
Gasoline .....	103.6	103.4	104.0	103.7	103.6	107.6	110.8
Tires .....	146.8	145.1	137.6	135.7	139.8	134.2	131.7
Automobile insurance ..	140.4	140.4	139.1	139.1	140.0	138.3	132.0
Fender repair .....	179.9	184.1	180.2	173.8	180.4	171.8	164.2
Brake relining .....	148.1	151.3	157.0	153.0	154.4	150.8	146.4
Battery .....	99.7	98.8	98.5	98.9	98.7	100.0	106.1
Local transportation .....	195.3	193.0	186.4	186.3	190.6	185.6	173.8
Street car and bus fares .....	205.1	202.3	195.0	194.8	199.8	194.3	181.6
Taxi fare .....	131.6	131.6	130.2	130.2	130.2	128.4	122.2
Travel .....	120.4	120.4	117.6	117.6	119.0	115.1	111.8
Train fare .....	119.2	119.2	115.6	115.6	117.4	112.7	109.4
Bus fare .....	124.0	124.0	123.9	123.9	124.0	122.4	119.3
Plane fare(1) .....	95.2	95.2	101.0	101.0	101.5	101.0	99.8

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TABLE 10. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
Health and personal care .....	154.4	154.6	153.7	153.8	154.5	150.2	145.4
Health care .....	158.9	158.9	157.9	157.9	158.7	154.5	150.1
Doctors' fees .....	144.5	144.5	142.3	142.3	143.6	141.7	137.8
Office call .....	152.2	152.2	149.9	149.9	150.8	149.7	145.8
Confinement .....	156.4	156.4	152.4	152.4	155.4	150.5	142.4
Appendectomy .....	119.0	119.0	118.7	118.7	118.9	118.1	116.8
Dentists' fees .....	156.6	156.6	152.0	152.0	154.8	149.6	145.0
Filling .....	157.3	157.3	151.5	151.5	155.2	148.3	144.2
Dentures .....	136.8	136.8	134.4	134.4	136.1	133.2	130.6
Extraction .....	185.7	185.7	180.8	180.8	183.7	178.2	168.2
Optical care .....	132.3	132.3	130.5	130.5	131.6	129.6	127.1
Prepaid medical care ....	175.2	175.2	172.0	172.0	172.6	168.5	169.4
Pharmaceuticals .....	123.8	123.8	127.6	127.6	127.3	124.1	118.2
Headache tablets .....	124.0	124.0	118.6	118.6	118.8	114.2	108.1
Vitamins .....	107.1	107.1	107.0	107.0	107.1	107.0	106.4
Bandages .....	170.0	170.0	169.0	169.0	169.4	162.6	149.9
Prescriptions .....	103.1	103.1	115.1	115.1	112.9	111.6	107.5
Personal care .....	144.6	145.0	144.0	144.2	144.7	140.0	134.4
Supplies .....	126.6	127.2	127.8	128.1	127.7	126.4	123.0
Toilet soap .....	123.9	125.9	122.9	123.9	123.1	121.3	116.0
Toothpaste .....	129.1	129.1	133.9	133.9	133.8	134.4	132.6
Face powder .....	137.8	137.8	135.1	135.1	135.7	129.8	125.5
Cleansing tissues .....	115.9	115.9	120.2	120.2	118.2	116.0	115.2
Services .....	171.4	171.4	168.3	168.3	170.2	160.6	151.3
Men's haircut .....	179.2	179.2	177.0	177.0	178.4	169.1	159.4
Women's hairdressing ..	158.6	158.6	153.9	153.9	156.6	146.6	138.1
Recreation and reading .....	146.6	146.7	143.1	143.1	144.3	141.7	138.4
Recreation .....	144.1	144.2	140.2	140.2	141.6	138.6	135.3
Theatre admission ....	176.6	176.6	169.7	169.7	173.2	165.3	160.6
Radio .....	103.5	103.5	105.2	105.2	104.2	107.7	107.9
Television(1) .....	103.6	103.6	108.1	108.1	105.4	105.1	105.7
Camera film .....	156.9	156.9	146.4	146.4	147.6	145.3	142.8
Phonograph record .....	143.2	143.2	133.2	133.2	136.6	141.4	126.8
Bicycle .....	113.2	113.6	118.5	118.5	115.4	118.3	117.7
Sports equipment(1) ...	100.7	100.7	100.7	100.7	100.7	100.0	100.1
Toys(1) .....	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.0
Reading .....	153.8	153.8	151.1	151.1	151.9	150.6	147.2
Newspapers .....	169.0	169.0	165.2	165.2	166.3	163.6	160.2
Magazines .....	113.1	113.1	113.1	113.1	113.1	115.7	111.8
Tobacco and alcohol .....	115.7	115.7	115.8	115.8	115.8	114.0	110.6
Tobacco .....	109.2	109.2	109.6	109.6	109.5	107.1	101.3
Cigarettes .....	103.7	103.7	104.5	104.5	104.4	101.7	95.6
Cigarette tobacco .....	132.2	132.2	129.3	129.3	129.3	128.0	123.0
Alcohol .....	120.1	120.1	120.0	120.0	120.0	118.6	116.9
Beer .....	119.8	119.8	119.7	119.7	119.8	118.5	117.8
Liquor .....	120.8	120.8	120.7	120.7	120.8	118.7	115.0

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TABLE 10. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Concluded

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958
<b>Supplementary classifications</b>							
<b>Commodities</b>							
Total .....	119.9	119.8	118.5	118.6	119.4	118.4	118.1
Total excluding food .....	117.9	117.8	117.8	117.6	117.7	117.0	115.5
Durable .....	117.4	117.5	118.8	118.6	118.2	118.5	117.5
Household equipment .....	115.3	115.1	116.0	115.5	116.0	116.6	116.3
Appliances(2) .....	91.1	91.1	93.7	93.7	93.8	97.8	99.2
Other .....	130.2	129.5	129.5	128.8	129.5	128.1	126.8
Transportation equipment ..	124.3	125.0	127.8	128.5	125.2	124.6	121.0
Non-durable .....	120.3	120.1	118.4	118.6	119.5	118.4	118.2
Non-durable excluding food ..	118.0	117.9	117.5	117.3	117.6	116.6	115.0
Textiles ("use" classification) .....	106.7	106.4	105.6	105.1	106.0	105.8	106.3
Garments .....	105.7	105.3	104.5	104.0	104.9	104.9	105.4
Household furnishings and piece goods .....	113.7	113.7	112.7	112.6	112.9	112.0	112.2
Textiles (chief component material classification) ..	106.7	106.4	105.6	105.1	106.0	105.8	106.3
Wool .....	116.5	115.4	113.8	112.6	114.3	114.2	114.4
Cotton .....	111.1	111.1	110.1	110.1	110.4	110.4	110.1
Synthetic .....	99.2	99.1	98.8	98.9	99.1	99.2	99.5
Fur .....	81.4	81.2	81.9	81.9	82.4	81.4	84.9
Footwear .....	146.5	146.4	143.4	142.2	144.2	137.6	133.5
Leather .....	147.7	147.6	144.6	143.2	145.4	136.8	132.3
Rubber and plastic .....	138.3	138.3	136.4	136.4	137.4	141.7	140.6
Other non-durable .....	121.1	121.1	121.0	121.1	120.9	120.0	117.4
<b>Services</b>							
Total .....	154.5	154.5	152.2	152.0	153.4	150.1	146.0
Total excluding shelter .....	161.0	160.9	157.8	157.5	159.4	154.8	149.3
<b>Supplementary food indexes</b>							
Beef .....	131.9	132.6	129.7	132.1	131.6	137.4	128.9
Pork .....	115.4	115.3	97.3	101.5	103.9	105.1	113.4
Fresh pork .....	116.8	116.3	100.1	103.1	107.8	107.2	115.4
Cured pork .....	113.3	113.5	94.1	99.6	99.4	102.6	111.1
Other meats .....	115.3	114.5	112.8	113.2	112.6	114.4	112.2
Fish .....	135.3	135.1	127.7	127.9	129.3	124.4	118.9
Poultry .....	77.4	78.0	79.7	81.0	80.9	79.1	87.2
Eggs .....	84.9	80.3	77.1	66.9	88.6	88.4	94.1
Dairy products including butter .....	124.0	124.1	124.5	124.5	124.4	123.3	122.3
Fats and oils including butter .....	106.1	105.7	104.3	104.6	104.4	104.5	105.7
Fats and oils excluding butter .....	98.9	97.3	92.6	93.7	94.3	95.5	102.1
Total fruit .....	136.4	132.7	123.2	121.8	128.7	120.8	129.4
Fresh fruit .....	141.3	136.1	123.1	121.4	132.1	121.2	137.9
Canned fruit .....	118.5	117.0	112.6	111.9	113.0	108.6	107.3
Total vegetables .....	126.4	128.0	136.5	141.0	135.0	127.2	126.7
Fresh vegetables .....	125.2	128.2	143.1	151.0	140.0	128.4	129.4
Canned vegetables .....	129.2	127.9	126.8	126.4	127.6	125.6	122.7
Direct imports .....	131.9	130.0	123.2	122.8	125.8	123.8	134.0

(1) 1957=100.

(2) Includes television and radio.

TABLE 11. Average Retail Prices for Canada - Selected Food Items (1)

Item	Unit	Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958	Mar. 1961 price relative
<b>Beef:</b>						\$			1949=100
Sirloin steak .....	lb.	97.2	97.9	93.5	95.6	97.7	101.0	94.4	138.1
Round steak .....	"	88.9	89.4	86.5	88.5	88.9	93.0	87.9	132.6
Prime rib roast (2) .....	"	88.3	89.4	87.0	89.0	88.1	90.4	84.8	131.6
Blade roast (3) .....	"	64.3	64.2	62.1	62.8	61.5	65.1	61.5	132.9
Stewing beef .....	"	66.2	66.1	65.0	66.1	65.2	67.0	61.3	142.0
Hamburg .....	"	46.7	46.9	47.1	47.5	47.1	49.8	46.4	123.4
Liver, sliced .....	"	56.6	56.6	57.5	57.4	56.7	59.4	..	100.9(4)
<b>Pork:</b>									
Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh ...	"	60.5	60.2	49.1	51.2	53.5	53.3	58.2	109.4
Rib chops, fresh .....	"	74.2	74.4	63.5	65.6	69.8	67.6	72.5	130.5
Ham, smoked, boneless, to be cooked(5) .....	"	96.6	98.6	86.5	88.5	92.3	89.3	93.7	113.6(6)
Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off .	1/2 lb.	48.8	48.3	38.3	41.8	40.5	43.1	47.0	115.1
Sausage, pure pork .....	lb.	58.6	57.4	52.2	52.7	54.1	55.3	58.5	118.6
<b>Other meats:</b>									
Veal, loin chops, rib end .....	"	93.7	93.7	94.5	94.2	91.8	93.2	88.1	126.1
Lamb, leg roast .....	"	73.8	73.2	74.4	74.0	76.2	76.6	81.3	102.4
Bologna, sliced .....	"	44.8	44.7	42.6	43.3	43.4	44.3	43.3	108.6
Meat loaf, canned, mainly pork, ready to eat .....	12 oz.	43.8	41.3	42.6	43.4	36.1	48.1	..	139.8(4)
Weiners or frankfurters .....	lb.	55.0	54.9	..	..	..	..	..	105.2(4)
<b>Fish:</b>									
Salmon, canned, fancy pink .....	8 oz.	35.8	35.9	32.5	32.4	33.4	30.9	29.9	144.6
Cod fillets, frozen (7) .....	lb.	37.7	37.6	37.3	37.8	37.7	36.7	34.6	111.3(6)
<b>Poultry:</b>									
Chicken, grade A eviscerated (1 1/2 - 3 lb.) (7) .....	"	46.2	46.6	47.2	48.0	47.9	46.8	51.1	87.5(6)
<b>Fruits:</b>									
Bananas, yellow .....	"	19.1	18.5	20.1	20.5	19.3	20.3	20.5	101.8
Oranges, California, medium size (138's) .....	doz.	58.9	58.9	47.6	46.1	52.2	45.2	57.1	167.4
Apples, volume seller .....	1b.	16.5	15.3	13.6	13.1	15.7	13.1	15.0	160.9
Grapefruit, white, 96's .....	1/2 doz.	47.6	49.0	47.6	47.3	56.1	52.6	59.7	123.7
Peaches, canned, choice, halves .....	15 oz.	24.1	24.0	23.7	23.4	23.8	21.8	22.5	116.4
Pears, canned, choice .....	"	21.9	21.9	21.8	21.7	21.8	21.0	20.8	101.6
Strawberries, canned, choice .....	"	33.3	33.5	33.3	33.2	33.4	33.0	32.4	109.6
Orange juice, unsweetened .....	20 oz.	22.2	21.5	19.6	19.8	19.6	22.3	18.6	105.4
Apple juice, choice .....	"	17.2	17.0	15.9	15.9	16.0	15.8	15.2	149.0
Raisins, California and Australia .....	1b.	29.4	29.4	31.1	30.8	30.6	31.1	27.6	166.6
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg. ....	15 oz.	43.3	43.0	41.8	41.8	42.1	41.9	42.8	92.5(6)
Orange juice, concentrate, frozen, fancy (8) .....	6 oz.	26.8	26.0	23.4	23.8	23.3	27.2	..	116.7(4)
Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced .....	20 oz.	41.4	41.1	..	..	..	..	..	102.5(4)
<b>Vegetables:</b>									
Potatoes, No. 1 table .....	10 lb.	48.4	48.2	57.3	57.8	58.0	48.9	45.7	139.0
Tomatoes, fresh .....	1b.	23.1	25.0	29.4	31.2	27.0	24.8	28.2	98.9
Lettuce, head, fresh .....	"	15.2	19.6	20.0	26.1	19.0	18.7	19.2	98.9
Carrots .....	"	14.3	12.5	12.1	12.3	11.7	11.7	12.4	190.9
Celery stalks, green .....	"	14.7	15.8	17.6	18.9	16.6	16.3	18.6	86.8
Cabbage .....	"	9.6	9.2	10.4	11.8	9.4	9.4	9.5	124.7
Onions, No. 1, cooking .....	"	10.1	9.8	9.2	9.5	10.0	11.4	10.1	137.4
Turnips, Canada No. 1 .....	"	6.9	6.7	6.8	6.7	7.3	6.9	7.6	138.2
Tomatoes, canned, choice .....	28 oz.	27.5	27.3	27.5	27.5	27.8	27.3	26.6	137.0

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TABLE 11. Average Retail Prices for Canada - Selected Food Items(1) - Concluded

Item	Unit							Mar.	1961 price relative
		Mar. 1961	Feb. 1961	Mar. 1960	Feb. 1960	1960	1959	1958	
<b>Vegetables - Concluded:</b>									1949=100
Peas, canned, choice .....	15 oz.	17.5	17.4	17.1	17.0	17.2	16.8	16.5	120.1
Corn, canned, cream, choice .....	20 oz.	22.1	22.0	21.6	21.5	21.7	21.4	20.9	115.7
Beans, with pork and tomato sauce .....	15 oz.	18.8	18.8	18.6	18.5	18.7	18.5	18.1	135.7
Soup, vegetable .....	10 oz.	15.1	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.1	15.1	14.7	124.2
Green peas, frozen, fancy, pkg. ....	12 oz.	23.3	23.6	22.7	22.7	22.8	23.0	23.1	92.5(6)
Green beans, French cut, frozen, pkg. (8) .....	10 oz.	26.9	26.9	26.2	26.2	26.7	27.2	..	100.7(4)
Tomato juice, fancy .....	20 oz.	16.5	15.9	15.4	15.8	16.0	16.2	..	103.2(4)
Tomato catsup, bottle .....	11 oz.	23.3	23.5	..	..	..	..	..	98.7(4)
<b>Dairy Products:</b>									
Milk, fresh .....	qt.	23.5	23.5	23.7	23.7	23.7	23.4	23.2	132.0
Milk, evaporated .....	16 oz.	16.1	16.1	15.8	15.9	16.0	16.0	16.2	108.6
Butter, creamery, first grade .....	1b.	70.3	70.3	70.1	70.1	69.8	69.6	69.2	108.8
Cheese, plain, processed .....	1/2 lb.	36.6	36.6	36.7	36.7	36.6	36.5	35.9	125.4
Powdered skim milk, pkg. ....	3 lb.	108.0	109.1	..	..	..	..	..	91.8(4)
<b>Cereal Products:</b>									
Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced ..	1b.	15.7	15.7	15.2	15.2	15.6	15.2	14.8	155.9
Flour, white, all purpose .....	"	8.9	8.9	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.4	8.0	127.7
Cake mix, white, only liquid to be added, pkg. ....	14-16 oz.	32.5	32.7	32.6	32.3	32.3	32.1	32.6	102.0
Corn flakes, pkg. ....	8 oz.	20.0	20.0	19.9	19.9	19.9	19.8	19.7	141.6
Macaroni, dry, pkg. ....	1b.	19.6	19.5	18.3	18.3	18.4	18.3	18.3	142.7
Soda crackers, pkg. ....	"	37.6	37.7	..	..	..	..	..	98.9(4)
<b>Fats:</b>									
Margarine .....	"	30.3	30.1	30.0	30.7	30.0	31.3	32.5	94.0
Shortening .....	"	34.2	33.4	32.7	33.0	33.1	33.1	33.4	106.0
Lard, pure .....	"	23.9	22.8	18.3	17.9	20.0	18.8	24.3	101.8
Salad dressing, jar .....	16 oz.	41.5	40.9	43.9	44.4	41.8	44.5	..	102.5(4)
<b>Eggs:</b>									
Eggs, fresh, grade A large .....	doz.	52.2	49.4	47.4	41.2	54.5	54.4	57.9	84.9
Eggs, fresh, grade A medium (8) .....	"	48.3	43.1	44.3	36.0	48.7	..	..	104.1(4)
<b>Miscellaneous Groceries:</b>									
Sugar, granulated .....	1b.	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.1	9.4	9.4	10.6	104.1
Jam, strawberry, 2 lb. jar (24 fl. oz.) with pectin & pure .....	"	27.2	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.0	27.1	27.3	117.3
Peanut butter, plain, jar .....	16 oz.	39.9	40.0	38.6	38.7	39.3	38.5	38.6	110.0
Pickles, sweet, mixed, jar .....	"	34.9	34.9	34.4	34.4	34.7	34.5	34.9	125.5
Infants' food, vegetable, tin .....	5 oz.	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.7	10.5	130.1
Tea, black, pkg. ....	1/2 lb.	59.9	59.8	59.6	59.6	59.6	59.6	60.2	122.3
Tea bags, orange pekoe, pkg. ....	60-bag	80.5	80.6	80.7	80.6	80.5	80.3	80.9	100.6(4)
Coffee, medium quality, pkg. ....	1b.	73.2	73.3	72.9	73.2	73.2	74.8	87.9	117.6
Coffee, instant, dried, jar .....	6 oz.	99.1	100.6	107.4	108.6	106.6	116.1	129.7	93.2(4)
Jelly powders, flavoured, pkg. ....	3 oz.	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.0	10.0	104.1(6)
Baking chocolate, unsweetened, bar (8)	8 oz.	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.5	61.0	..	100.2(4)
Honey, No. 1, white .....	2 lb.	60.6	60.7	..	..	..	..	..	99.7(4)

(1) For detailed explanations on methods of pricing, calculation techniques, coverage and price collection, refer to "Prices and Price Indexes, October 1957". Tear sheets of this material are available on request. (2) Includes cuts with bone-in and boned and rolled. (3) Includes cuts with blade-in and blade removed. (4) July 1960=100. (5) Average prices based on chain store prices in 7 cities. (6) 1956=100. (7) Average prices based on prices in 15 cities. (8) Average prices based on prices in 16 cities.  
.. Figures not available.

TABLE 12. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities

Note: 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.

TABLE 12. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities - Continued  
(1949=100)

	St. John's Nfld. (1)	Halifax	Saint John	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Winnipeg	Saskatoon	Edmonton	Vancouver	Regina Calgary
<b>Food index</b>											
1958 Jan.	107.4	113.8	117.3	123.9	118.0	118.3	119.2	117.5	116.0	119.1	
Feb.	107.5	115.0	116.9	123.8	118.7	119.6	119.5	117.9	116.8	119.6	
Mar.	107.6	116.3	118.1	126.3	121.1	121.3	120.7	118.5	117.0	119.8	
Apr.	110.6	117.8	119.5	127.4	122.7	123.7	122.6	120.4	119.0	124.2	
May	111.6	115.9	119.2	126.7	121.6	122.5	121.8	120.8	119.2	123.0	
June	110.8	115.3	118.0	126.3	121.4	122.2	122.5	121.4	119.3	120.7	
July	111.7	115.3	117.2	125.5	121.0	121.4	120.5	119.5	118.2	118.8	
Aug.	112.5	117.2	120.4	125.4	123.0	123.4	120.3	120.6	117.9	120.5	
Sept.	110.8	116.7	120.3	126.4	121.7	122.3	121.7	122.9	119.3	123.0	
Oct.	110.0	117.6	120.9	127.5	123.2	122.3	122.1	123.1	120.2	124.3	
Nov.	109.5	118.3	121.2	128.2	121.3	122.0	121.7	122.1	120.1	125.6	
Dec.	109.5	117.7	120.8	127.1	120.8	120.7	121.8	120.2	119.1	124.4	
1959 Jan.	109.7	117.7	120.9	127.0	120.8	120.5	121.7	120.8	119.4	124.1	
Feb.	110.7	117.6	121.0	126.3	119.6	119.3	120.4	119.7	118.7	122.8	
Mar.	111.3	116.6	120.2	125.5	118.6	117.9	118.7	117.9	117.6	121.2	
Apr.	111.9	116.0	119.2	123.6	117.4	117.1	117.7	117.2	116.7	121.2	
May	111.8	115.0	117.8	122.6	117.0	117.3	117.2	117.1	115.8	119.8	
June	112.8	115.2	118.0	122.5	117.3	117.4	117.9	117.9	116.1	120.6	
July	113.6	114.5	118.0	122.8	118.3	117.7	117.6	118.5	117.0	119.4	
Aug.	116.3	117.1	121.4	124.8	120.4	119.0	117.9	120.3	117.5	120.3	
Sept.	112.8	116.5	121.7	127.8	121.4	120.9	118.7	122.3	119.1	123.2	
Oct.	111.7	118.4	124.0	127.4	123.9	123.8	120.7	123.4	120.6	125.8	
Nov.	111.6	119.6	124.0	129.0	123.0	122.2	121.3	121.8	119.6	125.7	
Dec.	111.5	117.7	122.9	128.7	122.0	120.6	120.0	119.4	117.8	124.4	
1960 Jan.	111.5	117.3	122.6	126.9	121.6	120.3	119.4	119.3	116.6	123.5	
Feb.	111.7	117.5	122.6	126.3	120.2	119.8	117.3	117.7	114.9	122.8	
Mar.	111.5	115.9	120.9	123.4	119.0	118.2	116.8	117.1	114.8	120.3	
Apr.	113.3	117.3	122.1	125.6	120.9	119.8	118.8	117.8	114.7	119.7	
May	113.9	116.3	120.7	124.6	119.7	119.3	118.3	117.0	114.3	120.0	
June	114.6	116.7	120.1	125.9	121.5	120.3	119.1	117.7	113.6	118.7	
July	113.2	114.9	119.9	124.4	120.7	120.4	120.0	118.9	115.1	118.3	
Aug.	112.1	115.4	121.4	125.0	121.3	121.1	120.9	121.4	117.6	121.5	
Sept.	108.5	116.5	122.4	125.6	123.0	122.8	122.1	124.1	120.0	124.7	
Oct.	109.1	119.8	124.7	129.3	126.8	126.6	123.7	124.5	121.3	126.7	
Nov.	108.9	119.9	124.4	130.0	125.9	125.8	124.2	123.0	120.4	126.3	
Dec.	109.8	119.5	124.9	129.7	125.3	125.6	124.5	122.2	119.5	126.1	
1961 Jan.	109.9	118.7	124.5	129.5	124.8	124.0	123.7	121.6	119.2	125.2	
Feb.	109.4	118.9	123.4	129.4	123.6	123.2	122.5	119.6	118.2	123.6	
Mar.	110.4	118.7	122.9	127.8	123.5	122.9	123.1	119.3	117.7	122.5	
Apr.											
May											
June											
July											
Aug.											
Sept.											
Oct.											
Nov.											
Dec.											

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

TABLE 12. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities - Continued  
(1949=100)

	St. John's Nfld. (1)	Halifax	Saint John	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Winnipeg	Saskatoon Regina	Edmonton Calgary	Vancouver
<b>Shelter index</b>										
1960										
Jan.	116.0	134.6	138.4	144.9	147.9	153.3	133.8	124.4	124.5	138.4
Feb.	115.7	134.3	138.5	144.9	147.9	153.3	133.8	124.8	124.6	138.6
Mar.	115.7	134.4	138.3	145.0	147.9	153.3	133.9	124.5	124.8	138.9
Apr.	115.7	134.4	138.6	145.0	148.1	153.2	133.9	124.7	124.8	138.7
May	115.7	134.2	138.5	145.1	148.3	153.3	134.2	124.4	124.4	138.9
June	115.7	134.2	138.9	145.8	148.6	153.2	134.4	124.5	124.4	138.7
July	115.8	134.2	139.3	145.9	148.7	153.1	134.3	124.7	124.5	138.6
Aug.	115.7	134.8	139.3	145.9	148.7	153.1	134.6	124.9	124.5	138.4
Sept.	115.2	134.9	139.3	145.9	148.8	153.2	134.6	124.9	125.5	137.9
Oct.	115.0	135.1	140.4	146.0	148.7	153.1	135.0	124.9	125.5	137.9
Nov.	115.1	135.1	140.6	146.0	148.8	153.1	135.5	125.0	125.5	137.8
Dec.	115.3	135.3	140.0	146.0	148.9	152.9	135.7	125.0	125.5	137.8
1961										
Jan.	115.3	135.3	140.4	146.0	149.2	152.9	135.7	124.9	125.6	137.8
Feb.	115.3	135.6	140.6	146.0	149.3	152.9	135.8	124.8	125.5	137.6
Mar.	114.9	135.7	140.1	146.2	149.3	152.9	135.8	124.7	125.5	137.5
Apr.										
May										
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
<b>Clothing index</b>										
1960										
Jan.	105.8	119.8	117.4	105.3	112.9	113.1	116.2	120.4	118.5	115.2
Feb.	105.9	119.0	117.4	103.8	113.8	114.1	116.1	120.4	118.5	114.8
Mar.	106.6	119.9	118.9	104.0	114.5	114.3	117.2	122.1	119.9	117.4
Apr.	106.9	120.5	118.9	105.1	113.8	114.2	117.6	122.1	120.1	116.7
May	107.6	120.2	118.9	105.3	113.8	113.8	117.8	122.1	120.2	116.9
June	107.6	120.5	119.5	105.3	114.1	114.2	117.6	123.0	120.1	117.0
July	109.2	120.7	119.5	105.3	114.1	113.5	117.2	123.0	120.1	116.9
Aug.	109.2	120.7	119.5	104.7	114.2	113.6	116.2	123.0	120.2	115.6
Sept.	109.5	121.1	119.7	105.1	115.2	113.5	116.3	124.0	120.3	115.5
Oct.	110.1	121.2	119.7	106.0	115.6	114.2	115.9	124.0	120.9	116.5
Nov.	110.7	122.0	119.7	108.1	117.0	115.0	118.8	124.0	121.3	117.5
Dec.	110.7	122.0	120.7	108.3	116.9	115.1	118.8	124.0	121.4	117.7
1961										
Jan.	110.3	121.2	120.7	107.2	115.0	114.2	117.3	124.0	121.1	116.0
Feb.	110.6	121.2	120.7	107.3	114.7	114.5	116.0	124.0	120.5	116.2
Mar.	110.7	121.1	120.8	107.5	115.0	114.7	116.9	124.3	120.6	117.0
Apr.										
May										
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										

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

TABLE 12. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities - Concluded  
(1949=100)

	St. John's Nfld.(1)	Halifax	Saint John	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Winnipeg	Saskatoon	Edmonton	Vancouver	
								Regina	Calgary		
<b>Household operation index</b>											
1960	Jan.	109.4	129.9	124.6	119.0	121.8	123.6	120.0	125.2	126.7	133.9
	Feb.	109.7	129.6	124.6	118.9	121.2	123.7	119.6	125.2	126.7	134.6
	Mar.	107.5	129.9	124.7	118.9	121.3	123.7	119.8	125.4	127.0	135.0
	Apr.	109.7	129.5	124.2	119.6	121.2	123.8	119.8	125.1	127.2	132.8
	May	109.9	129.5	124.2	118.7	121.4	124.1	120.0	125.2	127.5	132.0
	June	110.0	129.5	124.3	118.8	122.5	123.8	120.2	125.5	127.9	132.1
	July	111.9	129.3	124.3	118.2	122.5	123.6	120.4	125.7	128.0	132.1
	Aug.	112.1	129.6	124.3	118.5	122.1	123.4	120.2	125.8	127.1	132.1
	Sept.	111.7	129.6	124.2	118.8	122.2	123.4	120.3	125.5	127.1	132.5
	Oct.	111.9	129.3	124.2	118.9	122.1	124.1	120.3	125.5	126.8	135.2
	Nov.	111.7	129.3	124.1	119.0	121.7	123.8	120.2	125.8	127.5	135.8
	Dec.	111.7	129.8	124.3	118.8	122.0	124.0	120.2	126.2	127.6	135.5
1961	Jan.	111.7	129.1	124.0	118.7	121.9	124.0	120.1	125.9	127.4	135.8
	Feb.	112.1	129.2	124.1	118.8	121.7	123.8	120.0	126.1	127.3	136.0
	Mar.	112.0	129.5	124.5	119.0	122.4	123.6	119.5	126.2	127.4	135.8
	Apr.										
	May										
	June										
	July										
	Aug.										
	Sept.										
	Oct.										
	Nov.										
	Dec.										
<b>Other commodities and services index</b>											
1960	Jan.	127.5	139.6	143.4	137.4	137.5	138.8	133.9	129.7	133.1	136.9
	Feb.	127.6	139.6	143.4	137.4	137.4	138.8	134.0	129.7	133.1	136.7
	Mar.	127.5	139.6	143.5	137.5	137.4	138.9	133.6	129.2	133.0	136.7
	Apr.	128.0	139.4	143.4	137.7	137.6	139.0	133.9	129.3	133.4	136.9
	May	128.0	140.0	143.3	138.2	137.7	139.8	134.7	129.2	133.1	136.8
	June	128.0	140.1	143.4	138.4	137.8	140.4	134.3	129.3	133.4	136.9
	July	129.0	140.0	143.5	138.4	137.6	140.2	134.4	129.0	133.3	136.5
	Aug.	128.9	140.0	142.9	138.5	137.5	140.2	135.7	129.1	133.4	136.5
	Sept.	129.0	139.9	142.8	138.4	137.4	139.9	135.6	129.1	133.0	136.4
	Oct.	129.0	139.9	142.8	138.5	137.4	140.0	137.2	129.1	133.0	136.4
	Nov.	133.0	140.4	143.0	138.8	138.3	140.3	137.3	129.5	133.7	137.5
	Dec.	133.0	140.4	143.2	138.9	138.3	140.3	137.3	129.5	133.7	137.2
1961	Jan.	132.9	140.4	142.9	138.9	138.3	140.3	137.2	129.4	133.5	137.1
	Feb.	132.8	140.6	143.3	139.0	138.4	140.2	137.3	129.3	133.6	137.4
	Mar.	132.9	140.6	143.2	139.0	140.7	139.9	137.3	130.7	133.4	137.2
	Apr.										
	May										
	June										
	July										
	Aug.										
	Sept.										
	Oct.										
	Nov.										
	Dec.										

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

TABLE 13. Average Weekly Wages in Manufacturing in Current Dollars and Adjusted for Changes in the Consumer Price Index(1)  
1954 - 1960

Year and month	Weekly wages in current dollars	Index numbers of weekly wages in current dollars (1949=100)	Weekly wages in 1949 dollars	Index numbers of weekly wages in 1949 dollars
	\$		\$	
1954 - Average .....	57.43	137.6	49.42	118.4
1955 - Average .....	59.45	142.4	51.07	122.4
1956 - Average .....	62.40	149.5	52.70	126.3
1957 - Average .....	64.96	155.6	53.20	127.4
1958 - Average .....	66.77	160.0	53.30	127.7
1959 - Average .....	70.16	168.1	55.42	132.8
1960 - Average .....				
1960 - Jan. ....	71.89	172.2	56.52	135.4
Feb. ....	71.49	171.3	56.34	135.0
Mar. ....	71.94	172.4	56.42	135.2
Apr. ....	72.37	173.4	56.81	136.1
May ....	71.69	171.8	56.18	134.6
June ....	72.19	173.0	56.62	135.6
July ....	72.01	172.5	56.30	134.9
Aug. ....	71.46	171.2	55.65	133.3
Sept. ....	72.37	173.4	55.93	134.0
Oct. ....	72.66	174.1	56.06	134.3
Nov. ....	72.82	174.5	56.19	134.6
Dec. ....	70.60	169.1	54.64	130.9
1961 - Jan. ....	72.73p	174.2p	56.42p	135.2p
Feb. ....				
Mar. ....				
Apr. ....				
May ....				
June ....				
July ....				
Aug. ....				
Sept. ....				
Oct. ....				
Nov. ....				
Dec. ....				

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 50.

p Preliminary figures.

TABLE 14. Spatial Retail Food Price Indexes, 1956-59(1)

Winnipeg = 100

	1956	1957	1958	1959
Halifax .....	99	100	99	102
Saint John .....	101	102	100	102
Montreal .....	98	99	98	98
Ottawa .....	97	99	98	99
Toronto .....	97	98	97	97
Winnipeg .....	100	100	100	100
Regina .....	104	104	103	105
Saskatoon .....	105	104	104	105
Calgary .....	101	101	100	102
Edmonton .....	100	101	100	101
Vancouver .....	105	105	104	106

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 51.

TABLE 15. Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers  
(1935-39=100)

	Composite index exclusive of living component(1)	Farm machinery	Equipment and materials	Taxes and interest rates(1)	Farm wage rates	Farm family living	Composite index inclusive of living component(1)
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
1958 .....	259.9	236.7	213.0	196.7	513.2	217.0	242.7
1959 .....	269.5	248.4	219.1	204.7	538.2	220.1	249.8
1957 - August ....	259.1	224.5	209.7	191.9	526.4	216.0	241.9
1958 - August ....	263.9	237.2	213.7	196.7	534.0	218.0	245.5
1959 - April ....	273.0	248.9	220.2	204.7	554.6	220.0	251.8
August ....	275.2	248.2	218.8	204.7	572.8	220.9	253.5
1960 - January ....	266.7	251.8	221.9	204.7	510.4	220.6	248.3
April ....	277.9	255.2	223.4	204.7	571.7	221.6	255.4
August ....	279.6	255.5	222.9	204.7	583.9	223.0	257.0
Eastern Canada							
1926 .....	129.5	97.0	122.8	128.4	151.1	120.2	125.8
1939 .....	98.7	104.3	94.8	99.2	110.6	99.5	99.0
1958 .....	262.3	238.9	208.6	192.3	497.8	215.7	243.7
1959 .....	273.3	252.0	215.1	201.3	524.1	219.2	251.7
1957 - August ....	261.1	225.1	206.5	186.4	503.4	214.3	242.4
1958 - August ....	264.7	239.6	209.2	192.3	508.0	217.1	245.7
1959 - April ....	275.4	253.1	217.3	201.3	527.8	219.3	252.9
August ....	276.7	251.2	213.8	201.3	545.6	220.2	254.1
1960 - January ....	274.2	254.3	217.3	201.3	522.3	220.2	252.6
April ....	279.4	258.6	218.8	201.3	544.0	221.3	256.2
August ....	280.9	259.6	217.4	201.3	555.6	222.7	257.6
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
1958 .....	257.5	235.9	217.3	200.5	535.0	218.3	241.9
1959 .....	265.8	247.0	222.8	207.5	558.3	220.9	247.8
1957 - August ....	257.1	224.2	212.9	196.5	559.0	217.8	241.4
1958 - August ....	263.0	236.2	218.1	200.5	571.0	218.9	245.4
1959 - April ....	270.7	247.3	223.0	207.5	592.6	220.7	250.7
August ....	273.6	247.0	223.5	207.5	611.4	221.6	252.8
1960 - January ....	259.1	250.8	226.4	207.5	493.5	221.1	243.9
April ....	276.3	253.8	227.9	207.5	611.0	221.9	254.6
August ....	278.4	253.9	228.2	207.5	624.2	223.2	256.3

(1) 1960 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

TABLE 16. Average Retail Feed Prices for Canada and Five Geographical Areas

First of the Month Prices - Dollars per cwt

Item	Canada			Maritimes			Quebec		
	1961 March	1961 Feb.	1960 March	1961 March	1961 Feb.	1960 March	1961 March	1961 Feb.	1960 March
dollars									
Corn, cracked .....	3.70	3.67	3.66	4.15	4.10	4.06	3.58	3.53	3.51
Oats, unground .....	3.01	3.00	3.01	3.22	3.21	3.25	3.06	3.04	3.00
Barley, ground .....	2.90	2.89	2.83	3.09	3.08	3.01	2.93	2.90	2.79
Wheat, unground .....	3.24	3.22	3.14	3.52	3.50	3.42	3.28	3.25	3.06
Bran .....	2.94	2.85	2.59	2.97	2.88	2.51	2.96	2.87	2.45
Shorts .....	3.01	2.93	2.71	3.00	2.97	2.62	3.00	2.94	2.59
Middlings .....	3.12	3.07	2.92	3.12	3.11	2.86	3.14	3.07	2.82
Linseed oil meal .....	4.86	4.87	5.02	5.24	5.24	5.42	4.74	4.73	5.00
Soybean oil meal .....	4.80	4.66	4.71	5.30	5.02	4.96	4.73	4.65	4.62
Calf starter (20-24%) .....	5.14	5.10	5.16	4.95	4.93	5.17	4.88	4.82	4.83
Dairy ration (16%) .....	3.56	3.53	3.53	3.55	3.53	3.54	3.50	3.46	3.40
Dairy supplement (24%) (East) .....	4.31	4.23	4.18	4.34	4.26	4.38	4.30	4.22	4.18
Dairy supplement (32%) (West) .....	4.95	4.92	4.98	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pig starter mash .....	4.53	4.52	4.52	4.65	4.62	4.62	4.43	4.38	4.28
Hog concentrate (35%) .....	5.46	5.37	5.46	5.45	5.33	5.66	5.53	5.41	5.51
Hog grower mash .....	3.68	3.64	3.66	3.81	3.77	3.81	3.63	3.59	3.57
Chick starter mash (18-20%) .....	4.71	4.67	4.75	4.91	4.91	5.04	4.59	4.51	4.46
Growing mash .....	4.19	4.17	4.17	4.30	4.25	4.26	4.28	4.23	4.09
Laying mash (17-20%) .....	4.27	4.23	4.29	4.41	4.38	4.41	4.33	4.27	4.22
Broiler starter mash (20-23%) .....	4.93	4.87	5.01	4.94	5.02	5.09	5.15	5.01	4.97
Turkey growing mash .....	4.63	4.60	4.68	4.86	4.86	4.84	4.88	4.82	4.73
Ontario									
	Ontario			Prairies			British Columbia		
	1961 March	1961 Feb.	1960 March	1961 March	1961 Feb.	1960 March	1961 March	1961 Feb.	1960 March
dollars									
Corn, cracked .....	3.36	3.33	3.32	4.91	4.91	4.92	4.04	4.06	4.10
Oats, unground .....	3.05	3.02	2.98	2.36	2.38	2.49	3.08	3.10	3.22
Barley, ground .....	2.94	2.90	2.83	2.41	2.44	2.50	2.95	2.96	3.00
Wheat, unground .....	3.21	3.17	3.12	2.71	2.70	2.76	3.29	3.28	3.28
Bran .....	3.03	2.93	2.62	2.79	2.74	2.63	2.93	2.78	2.74
Shorts .....	3.10	3.02	2.76	2.87	2.81	2.71	3.04	2.88	2.85
Middlings .....	3.22	3.15	2.98	2.72	2.72	2.66	3.14	3.04	3.14
Linseed oil meal .....	4.66	4.66	4.93	4.72	4.72	4.81	5.38	5.38	5.39
Soybean oil meal .....	4.41	4.27	4.39	5.13	5.02	5.20	5.05	4.93	4.97
Calf starter (20-24%) .....	5.03	4.96	5.04	4.93	4.92	5.03	6.15	6.16	6.15
Dairy ration (16%) .....	3.68	3.60	3.55	3.34	3.36	3.47	3.68	3.64	3.72
Dairy supplement (24%) .....	4.30	4.23	4.11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dairy supplement (32%) .....	-	-	-	4.82	4.81	4.81	5.24	5.17	5.28
Pig starter mash .....	4.65	4.59	4.62	4.61	4.69	4.75	4.29	4.31	4.35
Hog concentrate (35%) .....	5.53	5.39	5.43	5.30	5.30	5.35	5.49	5.49	5.62
Hog grower mash .....	3.67	3.61	3.57	3.43	3.45	3.56	3.90	3.86	3.91
Chick starter mash (18-20%) .....	4.87	4.80	4.81	4.63	4.69	4.85	4.65	4.59	4.79
Growing mash .....	4.21	4.17	4.15	4.01	4.05	4.20	4.12	4.11	4.22
Laying mash (17-20%) .....	4.34	4.27	4.25	4.05	4.07	4.33	4.27	4.19	4.34
Broiler starter mash (20-23%) .....	4.98	4.86	4.93	4.72	4.77	5.10	4.78	4.75	5.02
Turkey growing mash .....	4.81	4.73	4.78	4.33	4.35	4.52	4.51	4.48	4.60

Note: Mash includes pellets, crumbles, cubes, etc.

TABLE 17. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices  
(1935-39=100)

Number of stocks 1961	Investors index									
	Inves-tors total (93)	Total indus-trials (72)	Machin-ery and equip-ment (10)	Pulp and paper (10)	Mill-ing and grains (4)	Oils (4)	Tex-tiles and cloth-ing (7)	Food and allied pro-ducts (13)	Bever-ages (8)	Build-ing mate-rials (14)
	(93)	(72)	(10)	(10)	(4)	(4)	(7)	(13)	(8)	(14)
1952 .....	173.1	176.6	428.3	515.2	131.0	155.1	277.2	108.6	365.7	283.6
1953 .....	160.3	160.1	394.8	501.6	131.2	131.0	222.5	120.7	399.3	279.5
1954 .....	181.2	182.3	480.1	692.9	141.9	144.4	161.7	136.2	479.6	326.1
1955 .....	232.7	239.6	696.0	995.1	190.6	164.0	177.8	180.4	566.2	434.9
1956 .....	269.0	282.7	818.8	1,109.9	176.1	221.1	163.0	187.0	548.8	482.1
1957 .....	258.2	271.0	765.1	924.5	135.1	241.0	155.3	193.1	489.9	436.8
1958 .....	239.4	247.6	615.7	901.5	151.9	207.8	166.4	241.9	566.6	451.8
1959 .....	265.4	272.2	728.6	1,126.9	213.1	192.6	213.0	271.7	672.6	536.6
1960 .....	249.6	256.6	673.8	1,111.6	194.3	172.9	186.6	234.2	644.7	448.9
1959 Sept. ....	255.4	261.6	741.3	1,086.0	221.2	176.7	211.4	251.7	656.7	523.0
Oct. ....	252.5	257.4	744.9	1,090.8	207.5	168.4	205.7	245.1	652.5	514.3
Nov. ....	252.8	259.2	706.3	1,123.5	209.8	168.4	206.4	232.4	668.3	529.1
Dec. ....	261.5	269.3	744.7	1,174.5	208.5	174.8	209.7	231.2	667.5	536.1
1960 Jan. ....	259.2	267.6	741.9	1,156.8	204.2	180.2	203.2	224.5	656.0	518.0
Feb. ....	249.9	257.9	713.0	1,080.0	194.0	173.8	197.2	216.8	634.6	488.7
Mar. ....	242.3	249.3	671.4	1,058.1	181.5	170.8	190.0	215.8	611.0	462.2
Apr. ....	248.8	256.7	682.2	1,101.4	181.8	173.2	189.1	230.0	625.6	469.2
May ....	249.2	257.4	699.2	1,124.7	184.8	168.0	190.9	224.5	632.5	466.7
June ....	251.0	258.3	685.7	1,156.6	190.6	165.4	189.5	228.0	643.3	455.8
July ....	243.6	249.8	636.7	1,111.7	182.5	161.9	183.6	233.6	638.9	423.2
Aug. ....	249.3	255.3	651.2	1,124.7	189.8	172.0	180.0	239.3	641.7	424.4
Sept. ....	248.9	254.2	645.6	1,127.2	200.0	175.5	180.7	245.4	646.7	425.2
Oct. ....	241.7	246.5	634.9	1,083.3	201.0	169.8	171.6	245.4	634.4	416.0
Nov. ....	251.1	258.0	642.5	1,093.0	210.9	180.9	181.0	248.8	674.2	417.4
Dec. ....	260.2	268.0	681.9	1,121.6	210.3	183.2	181.9	258.9	697.7	420.0
1961 Jan. ....	276.6	286.0	727.7	1,190.1	211.7	200.4	189.5	272.3	720.1	456.4
Feb. ....	285.3	295.7	741.4	1,223.8	219.2	208.9	193.0	280.1	756.3	470.3
Mar. ....	294.6	307.4	758.9	1,277.7	227.4	217.3	195.9	287.7	793.0	486.8
Apr. ....										
May ....										
June ....										
July ....										
Aug. ....										
Sept. ....										
Oct. ....										
Nov. ....										
Dec. ....										
Weekly index:										
Mar. 2 ....	292.5	304.7	738.8	1,278.1	225.4	217.7	191.8	282.3	777.2	481.7
Mar. 9 ....	291.0	303.3	739.2	1,266.1	224.7	215.4	192.1	282.1	787.6	479.5
Mar. 16 ....	295.9	308.6	762.2	1,279.8	229.6	218.2	199.8	290.8	806.0	489.0
Mar. 23 ....	298.1	311.5	773.7	1,299.1	227.7	218.0	197.7	289.2	804.8	496.5
Mar. 30 ....	295.7	308.9	780.4	1,265.4	229.5	217.1	197.9	294.0	789.6	487.3

TABLE 17. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices - Concluded  
(1935-39=100)

Number of stocks 1961	Investors index						Mining index (1)				Preferred stocks (27)
	Industrial mines (2)	Total utilities (14)	Trans- portation (3)	Tele- phone (3)	Power and traction (8)	Banks (7)	Mining total (27)	Golds (21)	Base metals (6)		
1952 .....	139.7	168.3	378.6	94.6	139.8	148.4	103.6	73.9	171.5	160.1	
1953 .....	118.1	157.2	297.5	99.2	142.4	168.9	92.1	66.2	151.3	162.3	
1954 .....	123.2	165.0	291.6	111.0	150.2	208.0	91.3	64.8	151.9	170.2	
1955 .....	184.3	197.0	365.8	125.5	181.2	246.3	116.9	72.3	219.0	177.2	
1956 .....	218.6	206.3	375.0	123.8	208.1	275.8	134.4	75.8	268.7	166.2	
1957 .....	195.9	199.8	352.0	108.6	230.9	263.8	114.0	70.5	213.5	151.3	
1958 .....	166.9	189.1	314.7	107.9	216.7	273.2	103.8	72.4	175.8	160.6	
1959 .....	193.7	197.3	332.7	112.1	224.8	355.8	118.7	85.0	195.9	157.2	
1960 .....	209.4	189.1	287.3	121.0	194.3	320.0	104.9	75.6	172.0	152.6	
1959 Sept. ....	187.3	188.9	312.8	109.6	211.7	347.6	111.5	82.0	179.2	155.3	
Oct. ....	187.0	187.3	307.3	109.1	210.2	354.7	112.2	82.7	179.9	151.0	
Nov. ....	197.1	186.9	295.7	110.9	208.7	342.5	112.6	82.6	181.3	150.1	
Dec. ....	210.9	190.6	296.3	114.9	210.5	347.2	112.8	82.3	182.8	149.9	
1960 Jan. ....	205.5	191.0	302.0	115.6	207.9	332.8	114.4	82.4	187.8	149.2	
Feb. ....	203.1	186.8	298.6	115.8	195.3	316.3	110.4	82.0	175.6	148.7	
Mar. ....	195.6	184.5	287.6	116.9	189.8	305.8	107.4	82.5	164.4	147.2	
Apr. ....	206.9	188.2	306.4	119.3	188.1	309.1	105.1	78.4	166.4	146.6	
May ....	211.2	188.1	304.8	119.0	189.2	308.8	98.0	67.8	167.2	148.9	
June ....	217.6	190.6	302.2	120.4	194.8	317.7	96.0	64.9	167.4	152.4	
July ....	213.0	187.3	287.6	121.0	188.8	311.5	95.5	64.7	166.0	155.1	
Aug. ....	215.3	191.6	289.6	123.8	194.8	322.9	101.4	71.4	169.9	156.4	
Sept. ....	206.1	191.7	277.8	124.8	197.2	329.3	104.0	73.5	173.8	157.5	
Oct. ....	195.8	187.8	262.4	123.7	193.8	318.6	107.4	79.9	170.3	157.5	
Nov. ....	213.8	188.2	261.4	125.4	191.1	328.5	110.2	81.2	176.9	157.3	
Dec. ....	228.6	193.0	266.9	126.9	200.4	338.1	108.5	78.1	178.2	156.8	
1961 Jan. ....	243.5	200.7	276.5	130.7	212.1	358.7	115.5	83.9	188.0	157.9	
Feb. ....	252.1	205.9	289.3	131.8	220.8	364.8	110.8	75.9	190.8	158.2	
Mar. ....	264.2	206.2	290.0	132.1	221.1	371.8	112.3	72.4	203.6	157.7	
Apr. ....											
May ....											
June ....											
July ....											
Aug. ....											
Sept. ....											
Oct. ....											
Nov. ....											
Dec. ....											
Weekly index:											
Mar. 2 ....	263.3	205.9	286.5	133.0	219.3	371.2	111.2	73.2	198.2	..	
Mar. 9 ....	260.9	204.8	281.4	132.5	218.7	367.3	111.4	71.2	203.6	..	
Mar. 16 ....	263.3	207.0	289.8	132.2	223.7	375.0	116.0	75.3	209.1	..	
Mar. 23 ....	268.2	207.3	300.5	131.9	221.1	373.8	111.5	71.8	202.5	..	
Mar. 30 ....	265.1	205.8	291.9	130.7	222.8	371.9	111.3	70.5	204.8	..	

(1) Mining stocks are not included in Investors total index.  
.. Figures not available.

TABLE 18. Index Numbers of Common Stock Prices(1)  
(1956=100)

Number of stocks 1961	Utili-ties (14)	Pipe-lines (5)	Banks (7)	Investment and loan (5)	Mining (27)	Uraniums (7)	Industrial oils (4)	Primary oils and gas (9)
1956 .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957 .....	96.9	132.6	95.7	93.8	84.8	118.7	109.0	107.0
1958 .....	91.7	105.5	99.1	109.1	77.3	95.0	94.0	84.2
1959 .....	95.6	117.2	129.0	127.8	88.3	82.6	87.1	76.0
1960 .....	91.6	106.2	116.0	119.8	78.0	59.1	78.1	48.2
1959 Mar. ....	98.2	112.7	125.4	133.3	94.2	88.2	94.8	84.8
Apr. ....	97.6	120.0	129.5	128.4	89.7	94.9	92.6	84.3
May ....	99.0	119.2	134.3	127.4	88.9	89.3	90.5	81.1
June ....	97.7	114.9	137.4	128.2	88.8	81.8	85.9	75.5
July ....	98.4	121.4	140.5	134.9	89.7	88.8	87.2	77.7
Aug. ....	96.8	120.7	135.5	134.7	89.1	84.3	87.3	77.4
Sept. ....	91.6	109.6	126.0	123.0	83.0	71.5	79.9	66.7
Oct. ....	90.8	115.4	128.6	118.1	83.5	73.9	76.2	61.0
Nov. ....	90.6	116.8	124.2	120.4	83.8	68.1	76.2	59.8
Dec. ....	92.4	118.8	125.9	122.9	83.9	63.2	79.1	58.1
1960 Jan. ....	92.6	118.0	120.7	118.5	85.1	68.2	81.5	60.7
Feb. ....	90.5	110.4	114.7	110.8	82.1	62.8	78.6	56.9
Mar. ....	89.4	109.6	110.9	110.5	79.9	58.8	77.3	55.0
Apr. ....	91.2	107.2	112.1	114.6	78.2	58.9	78.3	53.4
May ....	91.2	102.9	112.0	115.8	72.9	57.3	76.0	47.3
June ....	92.4	99.5	115.2	119.9	71.5	53.9	74.8	44.6
July ....	90.8	96.4	113.0	119.2	71.0	55.4	73.2	42.2
Aug. ....	92.9	99.8	117.1	123.3	75.4	55.1	77.8	44.4
Sept. ....	92.9	106.0	119.4	128.2	77.4	57.4	79.4	46.1
Oct. ....	91.0	105.7	115.5	123.1	79.9	59.5	76.8	44.1
Nov. ....	91.2	109.7	119.1	123.8	82.0	62.0	81.8	43.0
Dec. ....	93.6	109.7	122.6	129.9	80.7	59.8	82.1	40.8
1961 Jan. ....	97.3	116.4	130.1	136.7	86.0	65.2	90.6	46.4
Feb. ....	99.8	121.0	132.2	145.3	82.5	65.8	94.5	55.0
Mar. ....	99.9	127.6	134.8	154.4	83.5	68.6	98.3	60.0
Apr. ....								
May ....								
June ....								
July ....								
Aug. ....								
Sept. ....								
Oct. ....								
Nov. ....								
Dec. ....								
Weekly index:								
Mar. 2 ....	99.8	121.8	134.6	149.5	82.7	66.0	98.5	59.7
Mar. 9 ....	99.3	123.3	133.2	149.5	82.9	65.0	97.4	59.6
Mar. 16 ....	100.3	130.4	136.0	153.2	86.3	67.1	98.7	60.7
Mar. 23 ....	100.5	131.8	135.5	159.9	83.0	73.8	98.6	59.7
Mar. 30 ....	99.8	130.9	134.8	159.9	82.8	71.1	98.2	60.5

(1) Four indexes on the base 1956=100, pipelines, investment and loan, uraniums, and primary oils and gas, were introduced May 1960. Indexes of utilities, banks, mining and industrial oils from Table 17 have been converted to the base 1956=100 for comparison.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price Series  
Appearing in this Bulletin

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 1958-July 1959 were announced June 15, 1960. The price of No. 1 Manitoba Northern was adjusted to \$1.594 per bushel, No. 2 to \$1.559 and No. 3 to \$1.483, and the indexes revised accordingly. For the crop year 1959-1960, the initial payment of \$1.40 for No. 1 Manitoba Northern was increased to \$1.50 as of February 14, 1961. Subsequent indexes are based on an initial payment of \$1.40.

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 crop year 1959-1960 final payment announced February 14, 1961, brought the price to \$.771 per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats; final payment announced April 20, 1961 brought the price to \$.882 per bushel for No. 1 Feed barley. Initial payment for the crop year 1960-1961 was \$.60 for No. 2 C.W. oats and \$.87 for No. 1 Feed barley.

For final revised indexes August 1945 to July 1952 see Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21. For subsequent years see Table 4 of February 1954, May 1955 and 1956, and Table 2 of May 1957, May 1958, and July 1959. Indexes subsequent to July 1959 are subject to revision.

The Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index (1949=100)

A second special purpose price index related to the construction industry entitled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index" is shown in Table 8. 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.

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 2 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.

As a first step in a revision program, the structure of the Residential Electrical Equipment and Fixtures index has been revised. Both items priced and weights have been brought into line with latest available data on current building practices. The price reference base will continue as 1935-1939=100. For the new weighting diagram effective from July 1959 see "Prices and Price Indexes, August 1959".

### 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, on a time base 1949=100 and weights based on family expenditure patterns of 1947-48. A revision of the Consumer Price Index on the basis of 1957 expenditures while retaining the time base 1949-100, was released in an occasional paper on March 21, 1961 and the revised 1957-weighted index became the official measurement of price change forward from January 1961. The purpose of this latest revision was to bring the items included in the index, and their weights, into line with current family spending patterns.

The Consumer Price Index measures the percentage change through time in the cost of purchasing a constant "basket" of goods and services representing the purchases made by a particular population group in a specified time period. The basket is a constant or equivalent quantity and quality of goods and services but only items for which there is a continually measurable market price over time, corresponding to a specific quantity of the item, are included in the basket.

The index relates to a broad but specific group of urban families and reflects the price changes experienced by that "target group". The index is unlikely to represent closely the experience of any one family within the group nor should it be expected to reflect price change for other population groups for which income, family size and place of residence are characteristically different. The target group to which the revised index relates is composed of families - (a) living in cities with over 30,000 population, (b) ranging in size from two adults to two adults with four children, and (c) with annual incomes during 1957 ranging from \$2,500 to \$7,000.

To measure the influences of price change on the cost of goods and services purchased by such families, the Consumer Price Index contains some 300 items.

Full details on the revised index are available in the occasional paper "The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1949=100) - Revision Based on 1957 Expenditures", D.B.S. Catalogue Number 62-518.

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 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 fulfill 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 93 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.

Four additional indexes of common stock prices, relating to important categories of stocks not covered by existing series, were introduced May 1960. These will be published as interim indexes pending complete revision of the security price indexes. The price reference date for the new series is 1956; construction and weighting methods conform to those of existing indexes.

<u>Reference Papers and Special Publications</u>	<u>Price</u>
The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1949=100) - Revision Based on 1957 Expenditures .....	.75
Wholesale Price Indexes, 1913-1950 (Reference Paper No. 24) .....	.75
Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers, 1913 to 1948 (Revised, 1948) .	.10
Wholesale Price Index Numbers of Canadian Farm Products (Base, 1935-39=100) .....	.25
Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials, 1926 to 1948 (Base, 1935-39=100) .....	.10
Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index, 1935-1952 (Reference Paper No. 43) .....	.25
Prices and Price Indexes, 1949-1952 (Vol.23) .....	1.50
Industry Selling Price Indexes, 1956 - 59 (Reference Paper, Catalogue No. 62-515) .....	1.50

### Measuring the Purchasing Power of Earnings

Changing consumer price levels affect the amounts of goods and services which a dollar will buy, and average earnings, of course, will be affected in the same way. An earnings measurement which takes the change of consumer prices into account, can be calculated by reducing actual earnings averages by the percentage amounts consumer price levels rise, or increasing them by the amount price levels fall. The adjusted averages may be used to indicate the comparative quantities of goods and services which could be purchased by average earnings if consumer price levels had remained constant. The following illustration shows how this kind of adjustment can be made.

Suppose that a series of weekly average wages rises from \$50.00 in week A to \$60.00 in week B, and that in the same interval a consumer price index advances from 100.0 to 110.0. Because of the 10 per cent rise in consumer prices, \$1.00 will not buy as much in week B as it would in week A. Likewise, the 20 per cent rise from \$50.00 to \$60.00 will overstate the increase which has occurred in the purchasing power of average weekly wages. This overstatement can be removed by reducing the figure of \$60.00 by the amount of the consumer price increase. An adjusted average of \$55.00 ( $\$60.00 / 110.0 \times 100.0$ ), may be referred to as a weekly wage average for week B, expressed in the dollars of period A, or it may be said to indicate the level of real weekly wages relative to week A.

The foregoing calculation can be carried a step further to express in index number form the relationship between the week A average of \$50.00 and the week B figure of \$55.00. Taking the week A average of \$50.00 as equal to 100.0, the week B index becomes 110.0 ( $\$55.00 / \$50.00 \times 100.0$ ). Such an index may be called an index of weekly real wages. It indicates that average wages for week B will buy 10 per cent more goods and services than those received in week A, in spite of a 10 per cent rise in consumer prices. This 10 per cent increase in real wages compares with the rise of 20 per cent in money wages ( $\$60.00 / \$50.00 \times 100.0$ ).

It should be noted that while the estimates of average real wages may reflect the experience of broad groups of workers fairly well, their applicability to individual wage earners depends upon a number of considerations. For example, individual earnings will differ significantly from the group average, depending upon occupation, industry, geographical location, or the sex of the wage earner. Moreover, individual spending habits differ widely, while the consumer price index which is used to adjust the earnings data is based on the average consumption pattern of a large group of urban population. Also, group-spending patterns change over periods of time. To the extent that this occurs, the earnings data adjusted by the consumer price index (which has a "fixed" consumption pattern), will gradually be rendered less valid. Finally, some part of income is saved, and it should be borne in mind that it is not appropriate to reduce savings to a constant dollar basis by using a price which reflects consumption patterns.

It should also be kept in mind that measures of change in real earnings calculated from averages of gross earnings may differ from changes in the purchasing power of "take-home" pay, due to such factors as changes in personal income tax and pay deductions for such things as social insurance and pension plans. Neither do they take into account other family income, or changes in the savings position of families. Thus index numbers of real wages should not be interpreted as measuring fluctuations in the levels of consumption of wage-earners or wage-earners' families; they are intended to show only the trend in purchasing power of wages over the items covered by the price index.

In Table 13, page 41 figures for 1949 are used as reference levels for indexes of both actual and real wages, since this is the year selected by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for general post-war index number comparisons. However, the adjustment made in the foregoing illustration can be applied to any reference level, and it should not be inferred that the 1949 reference period has any special validity for earnings comparisons. Percentage change between any two periods will be the same regardless of the reference period selected.

Weekly Wages in Current Dollars relate to the last pay periods in the month, while the Consumer Price Index relates to the beginning of the month. In calculating Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars, the Weekly Wages in Current Dollars for any month are therefore adjusted by the Consumer Price Index for the following month as being more representative of the period in which the wages are spent.

Spatial Retail Food Price Indexes for Selected Canadian Cities

1956-59

For some years the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has been investigating the problems of calculating indexes which will indicate, with some precision, the extent of the differences in the average level of retail prices between major Canadian cities. In commodities and services other than food, problems of comparability of items are of major significance and it has not yet been possible to cover these areas of family budgets.

In foods, however, the problem of comparability of items between cities is at a minimum, and it has been possible to calculate indexes which are considered to indicate the extent of the difference in the average level of retail food prices between Winnipeg and 10 other major Canadian cities with sufficient reliability. These have been calculated annually for 1956, 1957, 1958 and 1959, and will be maintained on an annual basis in the future.

These indexes have been calculated on the basis of prices collected in each of the eleven cities, weighted in accordance with average urban food expenditures as contained in the weighting diagram of the Canada Consumer Price Index. Because of the differences in food purchases between cities it is impossible to calculate entirely accurate measurements. The closest approximation would be derived, for example, from the use of both Winnipeg and Vancouver weights in the calculation of the Winnipeg-Vancouver comparison, rather than the use of average urban food expenditures. However, the calculation of a number of indexes using weights relating to each city did not produce indexes significantly different from those which appear in Table 14 on page 41. This reflects the fact that while differences in food purchases exist, the magnitude of the differences in the cities covered is not such as to affect spatial comparisons significantly.

In addition to the problem of weights, the difficulty of obtaining prices for identically the same description of each food item in each city is of some consequence. While considerable care is taken to minimize differences due to variations in quality of the items priced, it is impossible to completely eliminate all such variations. This is particularly true in the case of beef items, where variations in consumption by grades as between cities undoubtedly affect the resultant price comparisons.

While these indexes have been expressed in terms of Winnipeg = 100, the selection of Winnipeg as the base city has no significance, and the indexes may be expressed on the base of any of the eleven cities included.





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