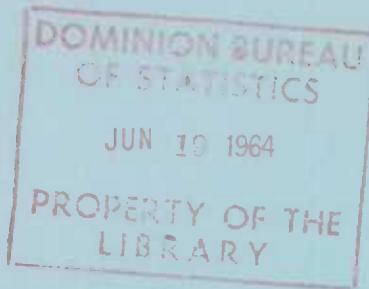


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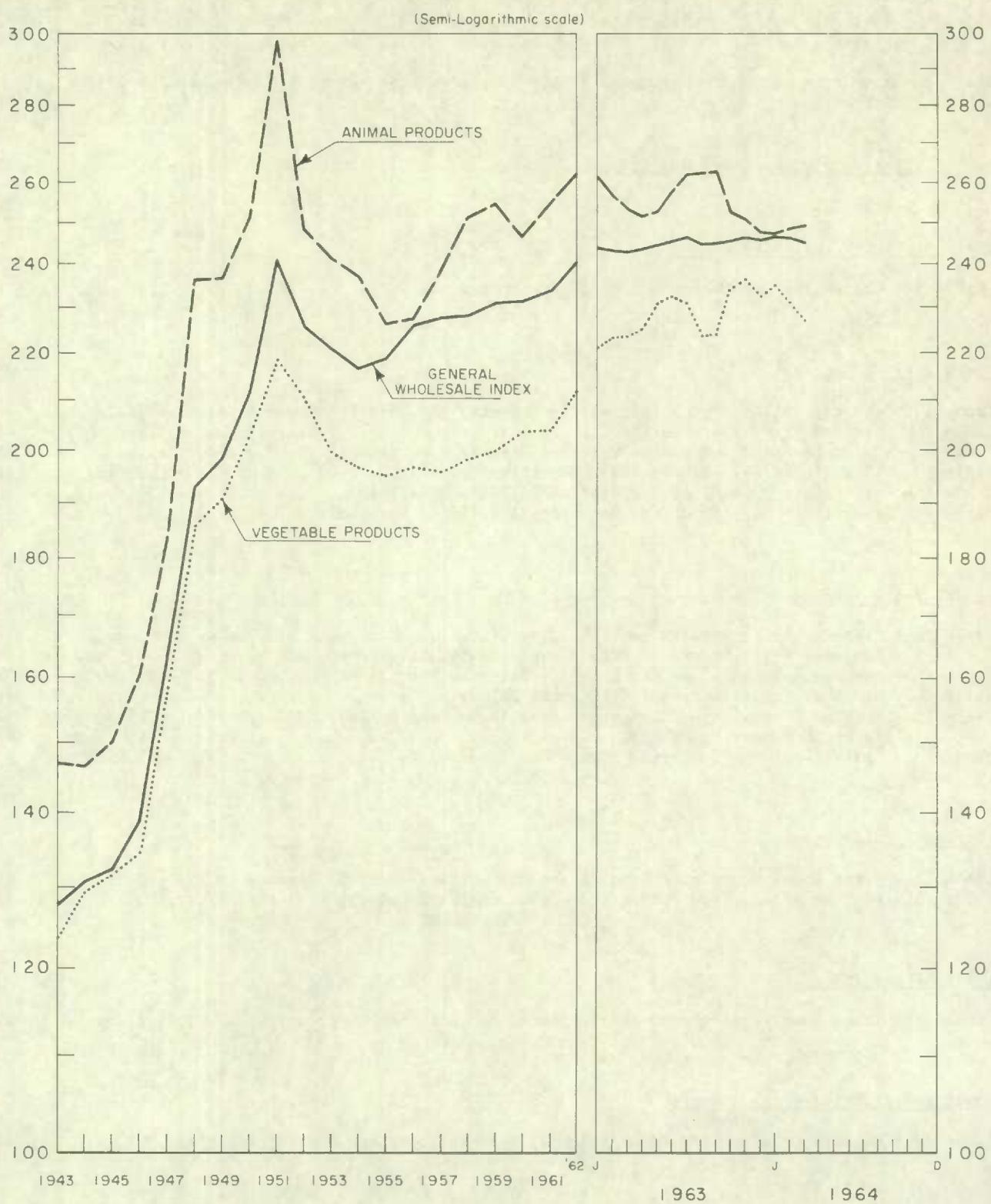
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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
TOTAL INDEX AND SELECTED COMPONENT GROUPS

ANNUALLY, 1943-62; MONTHLY, JANUARY 1963 - MARCH 1964

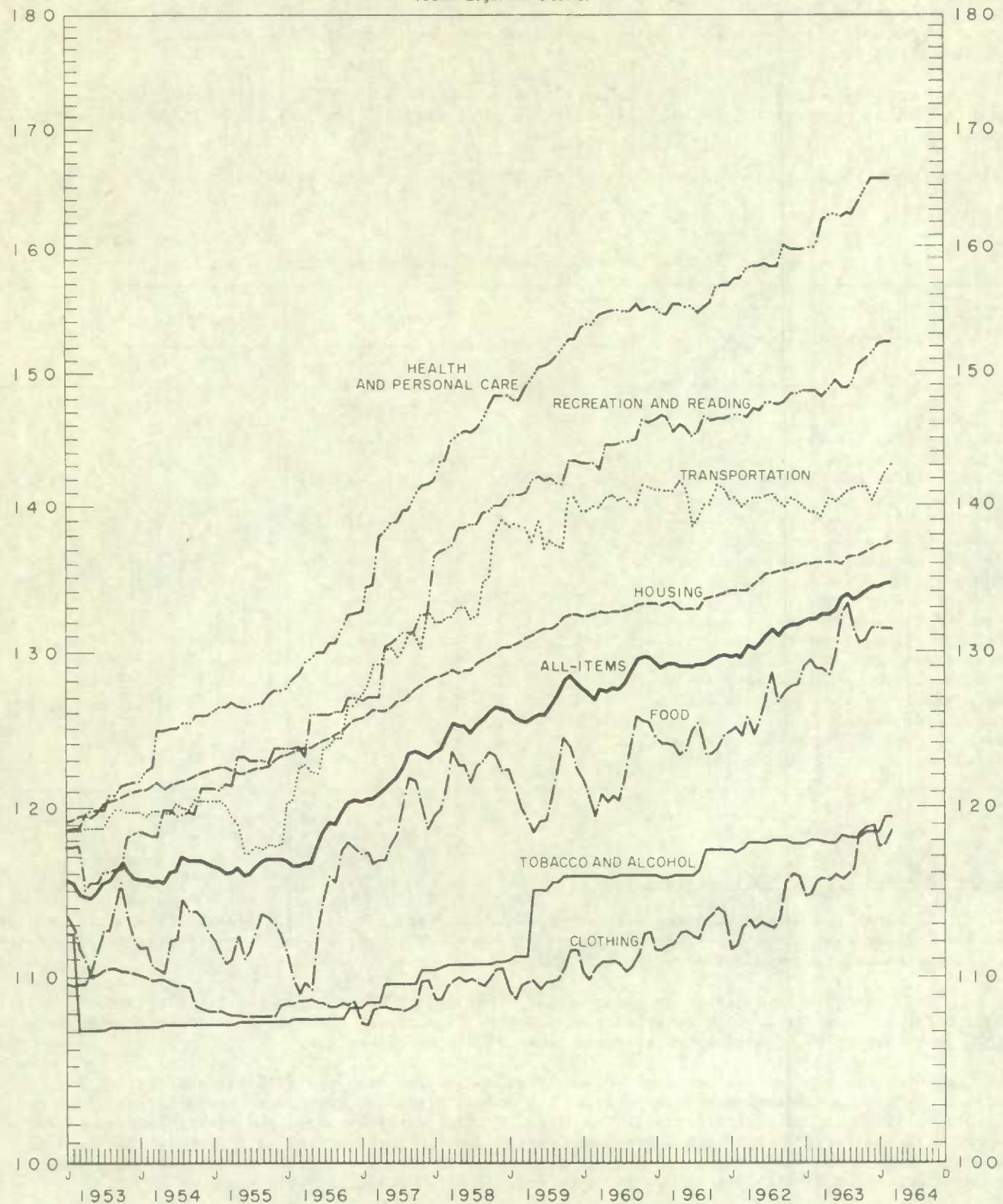
1935-39 = 100



ALL-ITEMS AND MAIN COMPONENTS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
MONTHLY, JANUARY 1953 - MARCH 1964

1949 = 100

(Semi-Logarithmic scale)



NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)

In 32 manufacturing industries, Industry Selling Price Indexes were higher in March than in February. This was 2 less than the number of increases over the January - February period. During the current period, 15 industry indexes declined compared to 24 decreases in the preceding one. The number of industry indexes which remained unchanged from February was 55, eleven more than in the previous comparison.

The average level of the 102 industry indexes was 108.3 in March a decrease of 0.1 per cent from the February average of 108.4. The median of 107.6 rose 0.3 per cent from 107.3 in the preceding month.

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

February to March Changes in Industry Indexes

Major industry group	Total indus- ties	Increases			Decreases			Un- changed
		No.	Average %	Median %	No.	Average %	Median %	
All industries	102	32	0.8	0.4	15	- 1.3	- 0.5	55
Foods and beverages	20	6	2.4	2.3	3	- 4.7	- 0.8	11
Tobacco and tobacco products	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Rubber products	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Leather products	4	1	0.4	(1)	-	-	-	3
Textile mills	10	4	0.3	0.3	1	- 0.5	(1)	5
Clothing and knitting mills	4	1	0.1	(1)	1	- 0.4	(1)	2
Wood products	7	2	0.3	(1)	2	- 0.3	(1)	3
Paper products	5	3	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	2
Iron and steel products	9	3	0.5	0.3	2	- 0.5	(1)	4
Transportation equipment	3	1	0.2	(1)	2	- 0.1	(1)	-
Non-ferrous metal products	5	5	0.9	0.6	-	-	-	-
Electrical apparatus and supplies	5	1	1.2	(1)	1	- 0.5	(1)	3
Non-metallic mineral products	8	1	0.5	(1)	1	- 0.7	(1)	6
Products of petroleum and coal	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Chemicals and allied products	11	4	0.4	0.4	2	- 0.7	(1)	5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

(1) Not relevant.

General Wholesale Index (1935-39=100)

In March the General Wholesale Index declined 0.2 per cent to 245.6 from 246.1 a month earlier and was 1.3 per cent above the March 1963 index of 242.4. Four major commodity group indexes increased, two decreased and two were unchanged from February.

The Vegetable Products Group index of 227.7 was 1.5 per cent below the February index of 231.2, due chiefly to lower prices for sugar and its products, and cocoa. The Non-Metallic Minerals Products Group index was 191.5, practically unchanged from 191.6 a month earlier.

Increases in four of the major commodity group indexes were not sufficient to offset the declines in the two indexes mentioned above. The Animal Products Group index moved 0.3 per cent to 249.3 from 248.6 in February principally on higher prices for fresh meat, and fish. Increases also occurred in the Textiles Products Group index which rose 0.2 per cent to 249.6 from 249.2, the Wood Products Group index which increased 0.2 per cent to 330.9 from 330.3, and the Non-Ferrous Metals Products Group index which was up 0.1 per cent to 201.5 from 201.2 in February.

Over the February-March period the Iron Products Group index remained at 255.0 and the Chemical Products Group index for both months was 190.1.

The following table shows some of the more noteworthy changes:

Commodity group and sub-group	Percentage changes			
	March 1964		March 1963	
	February 1964	February 1963	March 1964	March 1963
Vegetable products group	- 1.5	(1)	+ 2.1	
Sugar and its products	- 14.8	+ 3.4	+ 16.3	
Potatoes	- 2.3	+ 5.6	- 24.4	
Livestock and poultry feeds	- 1.6	- 9.6	- 12.0	
Tea, coffee, cocoa	- 1.0	- 0.6	+ 2.9	
Rubber, raw	+ 5.0	- 5.4	- 7.1	
Fruits, fresh	+ 3.6	+ 5.4	- 23.3	
Animal products group	+ 0.3	- 1.3	- 1.4	
Hides and skins	+ 4.0	+ 0.8	- 18.0	
Meats, fresh	+ 2.2	- 3.6	- 1.6	
Fish	+ 1.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.8	
Furs	- 6.7	-	+ 8.9	
Meats, cured	- 1.1	- 2.6	- 6.0	
Textile products group	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.8	
Cotton fabrics	+ 0.6	+ 1.1	- 3.0	
Raw wool, domestic	- 2.8	-	+ 10.3	
Wood products group	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.0	
Cedar	+ 0.7	+ 0.1	+ 12.8	
Fir	+ 0.7	+ 2.4	+ 10.0	
Hemlock	+ 0.5	+ 1.4	+ 13.2	
Non-ferrous metals products group ..	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.8	
Solder	+ 10.5	-	+ 31.0	
Aluminum	+ 2.0	-	+ 5.7	
Tin	- 1.9	+ 0.7	+ 20.6	

(1) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

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

The price index of Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets eased 0.4 per cent from 215.9 to 215.1 between February and March. The Field Products index moved down 0.5 per cent from 165.6 to 164.7 reflecting lower prices for rye on both Eastern and Western markets, and hay, tobacco, potatoes and corn in the East. Showing higher were peas and oats in the East and potatoes and flax in the West. The Animal Products index declined 0.2 per cent from 266.2 to 265.6 reflecting lower prices for hogs and raw wool on both Eastern and Western markets. Prices were higher on both markets for steers and in the East for cheesemilk.

With this issue, indexes for the crop year August 1962 - July 1963 are final. See page 48 for details of prices for Western Grains.

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

The index of thirty industrial materials, calculated as an unweighted geometric average, eased 0.6 per cent from 258.6 to 257.1 between February and March. Prices for four commodities declined and six advanced while twenty remained unchanged. Principal changes included a sharp decrease for raw sugar, lesser decreases for hogs, raw wool and tin, and increases for beef hides, raw rubber, steers and oats.

Security Price Indexes (1956=100)

The Investors Index of common stocks rose 1.2 per cent from 145.4 to 147.1 between February and March. Two of the three major groups in the index advanced with Industrials up 2.0 per cent from 146.4 to 149.3 and Utilities up 0.1 per cent from 140.6 to 140.8 while the Finance group declined 1.5 per cent from 146.4 to 144.2. Within Industrials 12 of the 13 sub-groups advanced, led by Chemicals up 9.3 per cent from 139.7 to 152.7 and Textiles and Clothing up 4.6 per cent from 247.6 to 259.0 while Construction declined 5.3 per cent from 62.0 to 58.7. Within Utilities, 3 of the 5 sub-groups showed gains headed by Transportation up 4.1 per cent from 117.8 to 122.6 and Electric Power up 1.7 per cent from 125.9 to 128.1 while declines were led by Telephones down 2.4 per cent from 122.4 to 119.5. Both sub-groups in Finance declined with Banks down 2.2 per cent from 137.4 to 134.4 and Investment and Loan down 0.5 per cent from 163.2 to 162.4.

The Mining stock index rose 4.6 per cent from 92.2 to 96.4 reflecting gains for both sub-groups. Base Metals increased 6.1 per cent from 85.0 to 90.2 and Golds 2.2 per cent from 105.3 to 107.6.

The two supplementary indexes advanced as Uraniums rose 3.4 per cent from 87.4 to 90.4 and Primary Oils and Gas rose 0.8 per cent from 71.6 to 72.2.

The Preferred stock index declined 0.4 per cent from 102.4 to 102.0.

The Consumer Price Index (1949=100)

The Consumer Price Index increased 0.1 per cent to 134.6 at the beginning of March 1964 from 134.5 in February. The March index was 1.9 per cent above the March 1963 index of 132.1. Four of the seven main component groups were unchanged in the current period and three were higher with the Clothing index showing the largest increase.

The Food index was unchanged from its February level of 131.3. Prices were higher for most fresh and canned fruits and vegetables, cookies and sweet biscuits, coffee, butter and shortening and some cuts of meat. Price decreases occurred for sugar, continuing a decline which began in December 1963, beef, pork chops, chicken and eggs.

The Housing index increased 0.1 per cent to 137.5 from 137.3 as indexes for both the shelter and household operation components were higher. The shelter index rose 0.1 per cent as rent was unchanged and home-ownership prices increased slightly. The household operation index increased 0.2 per cent mainly as a result of higher prices for furniture, floor coverings and textiles. Prices for utensils and equipment were lower.

The Clothing index advanced 0.7 per cent to 118.6 from 117.8 as higher prices for men's, women's and children's wear, footwear and clothing services outweighed decreases in prices for piece goods.

The Transportation index at 143.0 was 0.3 per cent higher than the February index of 142.6. An increase in the Ontario gasoline tax from thirteen to fifteen cents a gallon, substantially higher license fees and increased prices for tires and batteries, moved the automobile operation component. Local transportation increased as a result of higher bus fares in a few cities.

The Health and Personal Care index was unchanged at 165.4. The health care component was unchanged and an increase in the personal care group was not sufficient to move the index.

The Recreation and Reading index remained at its February level of 152.3 as price increases for television repairs were offset by decreases for bicycles.

The index for Tobacco and Alcohol was unchanged at 119.4, despite a slight increase in prices of alcoholic beverages.

TABLE 1. Summary of Current Price Indexes

	Indexes				Percentage changes		
	Mar., 1964	Feb., 1964	Mar., 1963	Feb., 1963	Mar., 1964 Feb., 1964	Mar., 1963 Feb., 1963	Mar., 1964 Mar., 1963
Wholesale price indexes:							
Industry selling price indexes							
(1956=100) (See textual table page 6)							
General wholesale index (1935-39=100): (1) ...	245.6	246.1	242.4	242.8	- 0.2	- 0.2	+ 1.3
Vegetable products	227.7	231.2	223.0	222.9	- 1.5	(2)	+ 2.1
Animal products	249.3	248.6	252.9	256.3	+ 0.3	- 1.3	- 1.4
Textile products	249.6	249.2	247.7	246.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.8
Wood products	330.9	330.3	321.2	320.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Iron products	255.0	255.0	253.0	253.0	-	-	+ 0.8
Non-ferrous metals	201.5	201.2	196.1	195.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.8
Non-metallic minerals	191.5	191.6	189.4	189.7	(2)	- 0.2	+ 1.1
Chemical products	190.1	190.1	189.3	189.3	-	-	+ 0.4
Canadian farm products (1935-39=100): (3) ...	215.1	215.9	234.7 ^r	236.7 ^r	- 0.4	- 0.8	(3)
Eastern total	227.8	230.4	242.0	243.1	- 1.1	- 0.5	- 5.9
Western total	202.4	201.4	227.4 ^r	230.2 ^r	+ 0.5	- 1.2	(3)
Field	164.7	165.6	200.5 ^r	199.6 ^r	- 0.5	+ 0.5	(3)
Animal	265.6	266.2	268.8	273.8	- 0.2	- 1.8	- 1.2
Selected price indexes: (1)							
Thirty industrial materials (1935-39=100): ...	257.1	258.6	250.3	250.0	- 0.6	+ 0.1	+ 2.7
Residential building materials (1949=100): ...	139.6	139.6	130.3	130.0	-	+ 0.2	+ 7.1
Non-residential building materials (1949=100):	137.9	137.9	133.1	133.1	-	-	+ 3.6
Consumer price indexes (1949=100):							
All-items index	134.6	134.5	132.1	132.1	+ 0.1	-	+ 1.9
Food	131.3	131.3	128.9	129.4	-	+ 0.4	+ 1.9
Housing	137.5	137.3	136.0	135.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Clothing	118.6	117.8	115.6	114.8	+ 0.7	+ 0.7	+ 2.6
Transportation	143.0	142.6	139.6	139.6	+ 0.3	-	+ 2.4
Health and personal care	165.4	165.4	159.9	159.9	-	-	+ 3.4
Recreation and reading	152.3	152.3	148.6	148.6	-	-	+ 2.5
Tobacco and alcohol	119.4	119.4	118.0	118.0	-	-	+ 1.2
Security price indexes (1956=100):							
Total investors index	147.1	145.4	132.3	131.8	+ 1.2	+ 0.4	+ 11.2
Total industrials	149.3	146.4	129.0	129.0	+ 2.0	-	+ 15.7
Industrial mines	156.0	152.6	125.6	126.4	+ 2.2	- 0.6	+ 24.2
Foods	181.6	178.8	172.2	171.9	+ 1.6	+ 0.2	+ 5.5
Beverages	201.3	197.8	189.0	188.0	+ 1.8	+ 0.5	+ 6.5
Textiles and clothing	259.0	247.6	195.4	187.2	+ 4.6	+ 4.4	+ 32.5
Pulp and paper	145.6	144.3	124.0	122.7	+ 0.9	+ 1.1	+ 17.4
Printing and publishing	311.7	310.8	305.8	318.6	+ 0.3	- 4.0	+ 1.9
Primary metals	109.9	107.9	88.4	87.7	+ 1.9	+ 0.8	+ 24.3
Metal fabricating	118.8	113.8	102.9	101.6	+ 4.4	+ 1.3	+ 15.5
Non-metallic minerals	140.4	139.7	128.6	122.6	+ 0.5	+ 4.9	+ 9.2
Petroleum	105.4	104.4	97.3	97.0	+ 1.0	+ 0.3	+ 8.3
Chemicals	152.7	139.7	127.9	126.3	+ 9.3	+ 1.3	+ 19.4
Construction	58.7	62.0	77.6	78.6	- 5.3	- 1.3	- 24.4
Retail trade	196.8	192.5	163.9	164.2	+ 2.2	- 0.2	+ 20.1
Total utilities	140.8	140.6	131.9	130.1	+ 0.1	+ 1.4	+ 6.7
Transportation	122.6	117.8	89.8	87.8	+ 4.1	+ 2.3	+ 36.5
Pipeline	164.4	161.8	147.2	144.8	+ 1.6	+ 1.7	+ 11.7
Telephone	119.5	122.4	123.8	122.3	- 2.4	+ 1.2	- 3.5
Electric power	128.1	125.9	127.0	125.6	+ 1.7	+ 1.1	+ 0.9
Gas distribution	227.8	232.4	201.8	199.8	- 2.0	+ 1.0	+ 12.9
Total finance	144.2	146.4	148.7	147.7	- 1.5	+ 0.7	- 3.0
Banks	134.4	137.4	139.8	138.2	- 2.2	+ 1.2	- 3.9
Investment and loan	162.4	163.2	165.2	165.5	- 0.5	- 0.2	- 1.7
Mining stocks:							
General index	96.4	92.2	92.9	92.9	+ 4.6	-	+ 3.8
Golds	107.6	105.3	109.6	111.6	+ 2.2	- 1.8	- 1.8
Base metals	90.2	85.0	83.7	82.7	+ 6.1	+ 1.2	+ 7.8
Supplementary indexes:							
Uraniums	90.4	87.4	89.5	91.7	+ 3.4	- 2.4	+ 1.0
Primary oils and gas	72.2	71.6	63.4	62.4	+ 0.8	+ 1.6	+ 13.9

(1) Indexes for 1964 are subject to revision.

(2) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

(3) Percentage not shown since indexes are not comparable. Indexes subsequent to July 1963 are subject to revision. See notes page 48 for details of Western grain prices.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Foods and beverages industries:							
Slaughtering and meat packing industry	109.7	108.6	113.8	117.2	115.4	119.4	113.5
Bacon and sides	102.0	104.1	111.8	115.5	110.0	115.2	116.2
Beef, fresh or frozen	121.5	115.4	120.0	123.8	127.4	134.2	120.5
Hams, cured	101.0	103.1	106.3	110.2	105.3	108.4	104.3
Lard	102.8	102.2	103.9	105.0	102.0	100.6	103.7
Margarine	88.0	86.3(1)	81.3	82.1	81.5	85.1	91.1
Mutton and lamb, fresh or frozen	108.1	105.1	116.1	115.1	110.3	102.2	99.1
Pork, fresh or frozen	96.6	100.2	106.4	112.6	108.0	112.5	107.7
Poultry, fresh or frozen	78.6	82.1(1)	95.0	93.4	92.9	79.3	78.1
Sausage, fresh	115.9	116.4	120.8	121.5	119.0	116.8	113.5
Veal, fresh or frozen	139.9	140.2	142.3	145.5	135.1	131.7	123.8
Wieners and bologna	127.6	127.6	134.1	134.9	131.9	133.7	132.6
Butter and cheese factories industry	104.4	104.4	102.4	102.4	103.4	105.1	110.7
Butter	89.5	89.5	89.2	89.2	89.1	95.1	108.2
Milk, whole, fresh	121.6	121.6	117.1	117.1	119.2	117.9	117.1
Concentrated milk products industry	113.0	113.0	100.2	100.2	105.5	99.2	101.0
Milk, whole, evaporated	112.7	112.7	107.8	107.8	110.5	108.2	109.6
Milk, whole, powder, spray process	109.5	109.5	101.4	101.4	104.9	101.4	103.0
Milk, skim, powder, spray process	116.4	116.4	70.6	70.6	86.9	64.0	67.4
Cheese, processed, industry	111.0	106.6	111.4	108.7	107.3	107.7	108.3
Dairy products, other, industry	105.3	105.3	103.0	101.1	103.6	102.7	107.1
Fish processing industry	142.8	139.7	134.7	134.5	134.6	131.2	127.4
Cod, fillets, frozen	122.6	122.6	131.7	130.5	124.9	123.9	119.1
Salmon, canned, sockeye	129.4	128.3	129.4	129.4	129.2	122.3	124.7
Fruit and vegetable preparations industry ..	112.9	113.8	106.1	105.3	108.0	103.5	104.0
Jams	138.2	136.3	114.8	114.8	121.7	106.8	106.3
Corn, creamed, whole grain, canned	125.0	125.0	117.2	117.2	118.3	116.3	118.1
Peaches, canned	115.3	115.3	109.5	107.9	113.4	103.4	109.7
Peas, canned	106.8	106.8	106.0	106.0	106.3	105.6	105.0
Soups, canned	96.4	102.2	101.3	101.3	100.4	98.8	98.0
Tomato juice, canned	111.7	111.7	101.6	94.7	100.9	98.2	97.0
Feed mills industry	112.0	112.4	116.3	116.9	114.7	113.5	104.6
Feeds, dairy and cattle	106.1	106.8	114.0	115.3	110.0	110.6	100.6
Feeds, poultry, laying and hatching	116.8	116.8	119.3	119.8	118.8	114.7	106.0

(1) Corrected

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Foods and beverages industries - Concluded:							
Flour mills industry	122.7	121.2	117.6	120.9	119.0	120.0	108.4
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 2 patent	125.6	124.1	118.2	122.0	120.5	124.0	111.8
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 3 patent	128.9	126.6	118.9	119.9	121.1	119.8	108.4
Wheat flour, Ontario winter	125.9	123.1	121.8	119.0	119.6	115.9	110.9
Shorts and middlings	94.0	96.8	106.0	116.1	107.0	115.1	99.5
Breakfast foods industry	123.4	123.4	120.4	119.6	121.5	119.5	113.4
Biscuits industry	121.3	121.3	109.3	108.9	114.5	107.0	108.7
Bread and other bakery products industry ...	131.0	131.0	124.3	123.4	126.0	116.8	115.2
Bread	133.1	133.1	127.6	127.6	128.9	119.5	116.8
Pies, cakes, cookies and pastries	126.2	126.2	117.4	115.5	119.6	111.5	112.6
Rolls and buns, plain	135.6	135.6	125.1	125.1	130.1	123.3	123.3
Carbonated beverages industry	131.8	131.8	112.4	110.5	117.5	106.7	106.0
Distilled liquors industry	113.4	110.0	107.6	107.6	107.6	107.4	106.4
Breweries industry	109.4	109.4	106.8	106.8	107.2	106.8	106.8
Beer in small bottles	108.3	108.3	105.1	105.1	105.6	105.1	105.1
Wines industry	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.8	99.8
Confectionery industry	128.3	128.3	114.4	112.9	120.3	112.0	114.3
Chewing gum	100.6	100.6	97.7	97.7	98.2	97.7	101.9
Chocolate bars	118.2	118.2	107.4	106.1	112.1	106.2	107.1
Chocolate, in packages	130.8	130.8	121.3	116.1	125.2	115.5	116.0
Sugar confectionery, in bulk	156.8	156.8	129.5	129.5	141.5	124.8	129.3
Sugar refining industry	169.5	194.8	145.9	141.4	178.5	97.3	95.1
Sugar, granulated, cane and beet	169.2	194.3	145.9	141.4	178.2	97.4	95.4
Sugar, yellow or brown, cane and beet	169.9	196.2	145.0	140.4	178.6	95.4	90.9
Sugar, icing, cane and beet	173.6	202.3	148.3	143.7	183.4	99.5	97.5
Miscellaneous food preparations industry ...	92.6	90.4	85.2	85.4	86.2	85.3	83.8
Coffee, roasted	77.8	72.3	62.3	63.2	63.7	64.8	63.7
Jelly powders	116.1	116.1	107.4	107.4	113.5	102.9	102.9
Tea, blended, packaged	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5	98.2
Macaroni and kindred products industry	132.6	132.6	131.0	131.0	130.8	122.2	114.8

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Tobacco and tobacco products industries:							
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes industry ...	102.4	102.4	102.4	102.4	102.4	102.4	102.2
Tobacco, smoking, fine cut	109.2	109.2	109.5	109.5	109.6	109.5	109.2
Cigarettes	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2
Rubber products industries:							
Rubber goods, including footwear, industry	91.4	91.4	91.9	91.8	91.7	90.7	100.8
Tires, balloon, bus and truck	85.9	85.9	82.6	82.6	83.5	82.9	104.8
Tires, balloon, passenger cars, standard	86.9	86.9	90.1	90.1	88.9	88.2	98.8
Hose, fire, garden, etc.	97.2	97.2	94.8	94.8	96.5	97.6	100.2
Leather products industries:							
Footwear, leather industry	111.6	111.6	111.3	111.3	111.3	110.8	110.0
Men's goodyear welts	115.5	115.5	115.5	115.5	115.6	114.3	112.5
Misses' vulcanized and stitchdowns	102.9	102.9	101.5	101.5	101.8	105.6	103.5
Children's and little gents' vulcanized and stitchdowns	113.9	113.9	113.6	113.6	113.8	115.9	113.8
Babies' and infants' stitchdowns	113.9	113.9	112.0	112.0	112.2	111.6	109.2
Gloves and mittens, leather, industry	108.0	107.6	103.4	103.4	103.5	101.9	102.0
Gloves and mittens, dress, men's lined ..	106.5	105.4	95.8	95.8(1)	96.2	93.0	90.6
Gloves and mittens, work, men's unlined	109.0	109.0	108.2	108.2	108.1	107.4	109.1
Leather tanning industry	114.6	114.6	122.9	123.7	119.0	126.4	119.3
Upper leather, cattle hides	113.5	113.5	126.1	128.0	121.5	130.0	123.1
Upper leather, chrome splits	107.3	107.3	104.7	104.7	104.7	111.0	113.3
Sole leather, bends	126.4	126.4	134.0	134.0	129.6	133.9	121.3
Sole leather, shoulders	122.4	122.4	124.1	123.5	121.8	120.8	112.1
Belting, leather, industry	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4
Textile mills industries:							
Cotton thread industry	115.2	115.2	119.9	119.9	119.9	114.6	111.1
Cotton yarn and cloth industry	100.0	99.7	101.2	100.6	100.8	99.9	96.8
Cotton fabrics, grey	104.0	103.6	104.7	102.8	103.4	101.9	99.0
Yarn, spun cotton, grey, knitting	99.4	99.4	104.1	104.1	103.4	104.6	99.0
Woollen cloth industry	117.6	117.3(1)	105.4	104.9	106.4	101.6	101.4
Woven fabrics, all wool, worsted	107.9	107.3	103.0	101.9	103.7	99.4	97.1

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TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Textile mills industries - Concluded:							
Woollen yarn industry	112.8	112.8	104.7	104.5	107.0	100.4	98.5
Yarns, worsted, oil spun, machine knitting	125.0	125.0	112.2	111.7	115.5	104.6	101.4
Miscellaneous woollen goods industry	100.6	100.3	95.7	95.7	95.8	96.2	96.3
Synthetic textiles and silk industry	99.3	99.0	97.7	97.9	98.4	96.9	96.2
Woven fabrics, continuous filament rayon	107.7	106.9	106.3	106.5	106.9	105.7	103.8
Carpets, mats and rugs industry (not available for release) .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carpets, wilton in rolls	103.8	103.8	97.0	97.0	97.8	96.0	94.1
Cordage, rope and twine industry	131.0	131.0	112.8	112.3	118.7	99.5	102.5
Twine, all sisal	149.7	149.7	127.3	123.7	139.6	117.0	117.0
Bags, cotton and jute, industry	113.2	113.8	116.3	120.9	115.1	117.6	112.7
Bags, cotton	109.2	109.2	108.8	108.8	108.8	107.3	101.1
Bags, jute	116.7	117.8	123.0	131.8	120.7	126.7	123.0
Oilcloth, linoleum and other coated fabrics industry	111.9	111.9	110.0	110.0	110.9	108.1	103.7
Automobile accessories, fabric, industry ...	88.5	88.5(1)	86.5	86.5	87.3	85.6	87.2
Clothing and knitting mills industries:							
Clothing, men's factory, industry	110.4	110.8	109.5	109.5	109.3	106.2	103.8
Jackets, separate, civilian	122.8	122.8	125.9	125.9	126.0	117.5	112.7
Shirts, cotton, fine	101.5	101.5	101.5	101.5	101.5	100.5	100.0
Shirts, cotton, work	100.6	100.6	100.6	100.6	100.6	97.2	96.4
Pyjamas	106.0	106.0	101.6	101.6	104.5	100.6	100.6
Hosiery industry	86.1	86.0	85.6	85.6	85.7	86.8	87.8
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, fine	89.7	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3	89.3	92.0
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, work	104.2	104.2	100.8	100.8	100.7	99.4	97.8
Other knitted goods industry	85.9	85.9	92.7	92.5	91.7	91.8	91.4
Knitted goods, infants', all kinds	109.5	109.5	103.2	101.6	105.1	97.4	96.7
Linings, glove and shoe	105.2	105.2	106.2	105.2	106.0	103.6	101.0

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TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Clothing and knitting mills industries -							
Concluded:							
Hats and caps industry	105.7	105.7	105.3	105.3	105.2	103.7	103.9
Wood products industries:							
Veneers and plywoods industry	90.2	90.6	87.3	87.3	89.2	85.2	83.4
Veneer, yellow birch	86.3	86.3	86.4	86.4	86.1	85.6	88.4
Plywood, Douglas fir	90.7	91.5	86.3	86.3	89.5	81.9	77.8
Plywood, yellow birch	92.5	92.5	91.0	91.0	91.7	93.3	93.6
Doors, veneer and plywood, slab-type	90.8	90.8	88.5	88.5	89.7	89.4	87.7
Sash, door and planing mills industry	104.4	104.4	101.7	101.9	101.9	100.3	100.4
Sash and doors	120.1	119.4	116.7	116.8	116.4	113.1	111.3
Lumber, matched	109.3	109.3	103.8	103.8	104.4	100.7	97.2
Lumber, planed	89.6	89.6(1)	89.8	90.1	90.0	90.2	92.4
Mouldings	124.0	124.0	104.1	104.1	107.2	104.1	103.4
Flooring, hardwood, industry	97.4	97.5	93.6	93.6	93.5	94.4	93.9
Flooring, birch	95.6	95.6	95.1	95.1	95.2	96.4	97.0
Flooring, red oak	99.1	99.4	92.1	92.1	91.8	92.3	90.7
Lumber mills industry	102.3	101.7	97.3	97.3	98.4	95.9	92.0
Pine, white	104.7	103.8	104.0	104.0	103.8	103.7	105.7
Pine, jack and lodge-pole	88.3	87.8	88.2	87.2	87.9	86.6	87.7
Birch, yellow	108.6	108.6	108.1	108.1	108.5	108.7	106.2
Maple, hard	101.0	101.0	99.3	99.3	99.9	97.3	95.4
Cedar	122.2	119.8	105.7	105.7	109.2	100.6	93.5
Spruce	93.9	93.6	91.8	91.6	91.7	91.7	91.0
Spruce, B.C. interior	90.5	89.9	..	..	..	..	..
Spruce, East of Rockies	97.3	97.3	..	..	..	..	..
Hemlock, B.C. coast	102.2	101.4	94.7	93.6	95.3	91.2	90.0
Fir, Douglas	106.6	106.1	99.5	100.2	102.3	98.0	87.6
Fir, Douglas, B.C. interior	110.1	108.8	..	..	..	..	..
Fir, Douglas, B.C. coast	104.2	104.2	..	..	..	..	..
Shingle mills industry	122.8	122.7	107.1	107.7	113.0	97.8	87.2
Furniture industry	109.1	109.1	107.1	106.6	107.0	106.0	106.1
Bedroom furniture, wooden, not upholstered	108.9	108.3	107.2	107.6	106.7	107.6	107.4
Living room furniture, upholstered	116.7	116.7	110.8	108.6	111.5	109.5	109.5
Office furnishings and fixtures, wooden	118.6	118.6	117.2	117.2	117.2	115.3	115.0
Office and store furnishings and fixtures, metal	111.6	111.6	113.7	113.7	112.7	109.6	107.3
Mattresses, spring filled	96.0	96.0	95.6	95.6	95.5	96.4	98.2
Boxes and baskets, wood, industry	119.2	119.2	117.1	116.5	116.7	116.9	116.8

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TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Paper products industries:							
Boxes and bags, paper, industry	105.9	105.8	103.8	103.8	104.2	104.5	104.0
Boxes, folding	104.1	104.1	102.5	102.5	102.2	105.2	104.3
Boxes, corrugated, including wrappers	104.3	104.3	101.2	101.2	102.9	101.8	101.8
Bags, self-opening, square	106.5	106.5	106.2	106.2	104.9	110.0	107.0
Pulp mills industry	100.0	99.9	94.8	94.8	96.8	96.4	93.7
Sulphite, bleached, paper grade, domestic market	91.2	91.2	85.5	85.5	86.6	88.5	90.9
Groundwood pulp, export market	99.3	99.3	100.5	100.5	99.4	98.5	97.2
Sulphite, unbleached, strong, export market	102.2	102.2	100.1	100.1	101.6	102.7	97.6
Sulphate, bleached, export market	100.8	100.8	93.9	93.9	96.6	97.1	95.7
Paper mills industry	107.7	107.6	107.3	107.3	107.4	107.1	105.2
Paper, book	114.1	114.1	111.4	111.4	112.2	111.8	111.9
Paper, fine	115.6	115.6	111.6	111.6	112.8	112.0	112.0
Box board, for folding cartons	107.0	107.0	106.2	106.2	106.8	107.6	107.8
Building board	94.0	94.0	95.8	97.8	96.3	98.8	103.1
Paper, newsprint, white, in rolls	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	107.6	104.9
Paper, wrapping, Kraft No. 1	108.1	107.4	104.7	104.7	105.2	106.1	106.1
Roofing paper industry	89.0	89.0	90.1	93.2	90.0	86.3	91.6
Roll roofing, smooth surfaced	97.0	97.0	98.0	98.0	96.4	92.0	100.3
Roll roofing, felt, mineral surfaced	90.5	90.5	89.5	89.5	88.1	84.0	91.5
Felts, tar and asphalt saturated	84.5	84.5	96.2	96.2	93.4	85.9	87.3
Floor tiles, asphalt	110.0	109.0	105.0	105.0	106.6	103.7	106.1
Shingles, felt, asphalt saturated, rag and asbestos	76.2	76.2	77.7	82.2	77.3	74.3	79.3
Miscellaneous paper goods industry	104.8	104.8	103.4	103.4	103.2	103.6	104.2
Envelopes	104.5	104.5	99.3	99.3	100.5	99.3	98.5
Paper, toilet, packaged	104.3	104.3	104.8	104.8	102.3	104.4	106.7
Paper, waxed, including bread wrappers ...	102.7	102.7	101.8	101.8	101.8	102.1	102.7
Tissues, facial	96.1	96.1	94.9	94.7	95.2	94.7	95.3
Iron and steel products industries:							
Agricultural implements industry	117.2	116.8	116.9	116.1	117.1	115.2	113.3
Drills, grain and fertilizer, combination Harrow-ploughs, one-way discs, tiller combines	129.0	129.0	128.9	121.4	127.7	120.5	120.0
Combines, reaper-threshers and stationary threshers	119.5	119.0	116.6	114.5	116.8	113.6	111.1
Swathers or windrowers	116.0	115.8	116.5	116.5	117.0	115.4	113.5
Swathers or windrowers	118.1	118.0	116.6	116.6	116.8	115.9	113.4

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Iron and steel products industries - Concluded:							
Hardware, tools and cutlery industry	116.2	116.2	115.3	115.0	115.4	114.4	113.7
Heating and cooking apparatus industry	95.1	94.9	95.0	95.1	94.4	94.8	95.0
Furnaces, oil, gravity or forced air circulation	97.2	97.2	94.5	95.6	94.7	95.7	94.8
Stoves and ranges, cooking, gas	97.0	97.0	98.5	98.5	97.7	98.4	98.2
Machinery, household, office and store, industry	99.6	99.6	99.3	99.3	99.2	98.0	99.5
Castings, iron, industry	108.1	108.7	107.2	107.5	107.8	107.0	107.2
Soil pipe and fittings, cast iron	104.0	104.0	101.7	101.7	104.5	95.4	99.3
Pipe fittings, malleable iron, all kinds	123.1	123.1	123.1	123.1	123.1	120.3	114.2
Castings, grey iron, commercial	112.2	112.2	109.9	110.3	110.9	109.9	109.2
Steel pipe and tubing	100.6	103.3	103.3	104.0	103.4	105.2	107.8
Pig iron industry	103.4	103.4	103.4	103.4	104.2	106.0	105.5
Steel ingots and castings industry	120.2	120.8	119.9	119.9	119.8	120.0	121.1
Rolled iron and steel products industry	106.1	106.1	106.5	106.5	106.4	106.6	107.0
Hot-rolled products, rails	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2
Hot-rolled products, bars, all grades excluding concrete reinforcing bars	103.3	103.3	102.6	102.6	102.6	102.6	104.4
Bars, cold-rolled and cold-drawn	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.7	108.5
Sheets, cold-rolled, reducing mill production	109.8	109.8	113.4	113.4	113.1	113.4	113.4
Wire and wire goods industry	106.6	105.7	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.6	106.2
Nails, wire, iron and steel	102.0	102.0	101.6	101.6	101.6	101.7	102.0
Woven wire, farm fence, steel	106.0	106.0	106.0	106.0	106.0	108.2	111.6
Wire cloth, Fourdrinier	110.3	102.1	102.1	102.1	102.2	103.6	106.7
Rope, steel wire	101.6	101.6	101.4	101.4	101.4	100.6	102.3
Wire, plain	110.5	110.5	110.5	110.5	110.5	110.6	110.6
Transportation equipment industries:							
Boatbuilding industry	127.0	126.7	127.7	127.7	128.0	126.6	125.4
Motor vehicles industry	121.0	121.1	120.1	120.2	119.8	119.1	116.8
Passenger cars, 2-door sedan	123.3	123.4	123.5	123.7	123.0	122.3	119.4
Passenger cars, 4-door sedan	121.3	121.5	119.6	119.8	119.6	119.4	116.8
Trucks, 5,000 lbs. or less, gross vehicle weight	117.8	118.0	117.9	118.1	117.4	116.4	115.0
Trucks, 5,001-10,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight	118.8	119.0	118.3	118.5	117.9	116.6	114.8

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Transportation equipment industries - Concluded:							
Motor vehicles parts industry	109.7	109.9	109.6	109.5	109.9	107.1	106.0
Non-ferrous metal products industries:							
Aluminum products industry	107.2	106.6	104.0	104.0	104.7	103.5	102.8
Sheets	111.7	111.6	106.6	106.6	107.5	105.8	105.7
Utensils, cooking	127.3	127.3	121.2	121.2	122.0	120.5	116.3
Brass and copper products industry	86.7	86.5	85.7	85.7	86.0	85.4	83.0
Ingots, brass and bronze	90.5	87.1	83.6	83.6	84.2	85.5	82.0
Faucets and combinations, sink, bath and lavatory	104.4	104.4	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	97.2
Jewellery and silverware industry	130.7	130.3	125.2	124.1	126.1	115.5	103.1
Gold alloys	112.4	111.7	111.4	109.5	111.1	107.3	103.2
Flatware and cutlery, silver-plated	117.6	117.6	106.8	106.8	109.1	105.4	96.9
Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining industry	106.7	105.4	100.0	99.7	101.2	99.1	95.4
White metal alloys industry	99.3	97.4	87.1	87.0	89.5	87.7	88.5
Lead, antimonial	88.5	87.9	69.0	68.4	72.4	67.6	69.5
Solders	120.3	113.8	97.0	97.0	101.7	99.5	96.6
Type and type metals	86.6	86.6	82.6	82.6	82.6	89.6	93.4
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries:							
Batteries industry	100.9	100.9	97.5	97.4	98.1	97.7	99.2
Batteries, storage, automotive	86.2	86.2	82.6	82.5	82.5	82.7	85.6
Batteries, drycell, radio, non-portable ..	107.6	107.6	107.6	107.6	107.6	109.3	108.7
Batteries, drycell, flashlight	137.0	137.0	137.0	137.0	137.0	131.8	128.2
Machinery, heavy electrical, industry	92.3	91.2	91.6	92.2	91.9	90.8	89.7
Industrial control equipment	96.1	97.1	100.2	100.9	99.6	100.8	99.0
Generators	88.9	88.9	88.9	88.9	88.9	89.3	91.7
Motors a-c	94.7	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.2	97.0
Motors d-c	110.5	110.5	108.3	108.3	108.7	107.5	105.3
Transformers	89.2	84.1	84.4	88.2	85.8	83.9	77.8
Radio and television sets and parts industry (not available for release) .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Television sets, table model, including portable 18" to 23"	80.2	80.4	80.7	80.7	80.8	81.3	..
Television sets, console model, 18" to 23"	78.5	78.5	79.5	80.9	79.5	80.7	..

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TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries -							
Concluded:							
Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and appliances industry	79.2	79.2	80.9	81.9	81.0	82.2	83.9
Stoves or ranges, cooking, domestic, over 35 amps.	83.6	83.1	82.3	82.8	82.4	82.8	85.3
Irons, automatic, flat	86.0	86.0	87.2	87.2	86.9	90.6	97.2
Washing machines, electric, domestic, automatic type	96.7	97.3	95.0	95.0	96.5	..	..
Refrigerators, household	70.4	70.5	74.4	75.6	74.3	75.4	76.6
Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and supplies industry	99.9	100.4(1)	100.5	100.5	100.3	100.3	100.6
Lamps, incandescent, standard	131.8	131.8	131.8	131.8	131.8	125.1	118.2
Lamps, fluorescent	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	107.2	103.8
Lighting fixtures, fluorescent, commercial	104.2	104.9	104.5	104.5	105.8	104.2	103.0
Wires and cables industry	90.0	90.0	86.1	85.6	87.3	86.0	85.0
Conductors, un-insulated:							
Copper, copperweld, including trolley wires	91.2	91.2	86.1	86.1	89.7	85.0	81.3
Conductors, insulated:							
Weatherproof wires, all types	88.1	88.1	80.1	80.1	85.4	79.1	75.6
Rubber-insulated and braided	80.6	80.6	77.3	77.3	77.3	83.2	88.6
Magnet wires, enamelled	91.8	91.8	91.8	91.8	91.8	91.1	88.7
Non-metallic mineral products industries:							
Abrasives, artificial, industry	115.8	115.8	116.1	116.1	116.1	114.4	113.5
Alumina, fused, crude	113.2	113.2	113.2	113.2	113.2	112.4	112.2
Silicon carbide, crude	113.8	113.8	115.7	115.7	115.7	113.8	110.9
Cement, hydraulic, industry	112.3	112.3	110.8	110.8	110.8	108.4	106.5
Clay products from imported clay industry ..	106.8	106.8	106.8	106.8	106.8	106.8	107.4
Glass and glass products industry	110.1	110.1	109.0	109.0	109.2	109.0	108.0
Lime industry	110.7	110.7	110.7	110.7	110.7	110.6	109.7
Gypsum products industry	105.9	105.9	106.2	106.2	106.1	106.1	105.6
Lath, gypsum	105.6	105.6	106.1	106.1	105.9	106.0	104.4

(1) Corrected.

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Non-metallic mineral products industries -							
Concluded:							
Concrete products industry	101.4	100.9	96.4	96.4	98.2	96.8	96.1
Blocks, gravel, building	93.2	92.2	86.9	86.9	88.7	91.7	94.1
Concrete, ready-mixed	114.3	114.3	111.0	111.0	112.6	107.3	100.2
Clay products from domestic clay industry ..	109.2	110.0	109.4	109.4	109.3	108.6	106.9
Brick, dry press, face	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	98.2	99.4
Tile, structural, hollow blocks	114.1	114.1(1)	117.8	117.8	117.8	118.0	112.6
Products of petroleum and coal industries:							
Coke and gas products industry	111.1	111.1	111.1	111.1	111.2	111.7	106.6
Petroleum refining and products industry ...	95.8	95.8	93.5	93.5	94.7	98.5	99.5
Fuel oil, stove, No. 1	98.8	98.8	98.8	98.8	98.8	98.8	98.8
Diesel fuel	103.3	103.3	102.7	102.7	103.0	101.6	99.9
Fuel oil, light	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.3	98.1	94.7	94.6
Fuel oil, heavy	88.7	88.7	88.7	88.7	88.7	87.8	88.7
Lubricating oils and greases industry	117.9	117.9	114.8	114.8	116.5	114.8	114.2
Chemicals and allied products industries:							
Acids, alkalies and salts industry	103.2	103.2	103.1	102.8	103.2	103.9	104.0
Chlorine, liquid	96.8	96.8	102.7	102.7	102.7	102.7	102.7
Sodium hydroxide (caustic soda)	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5
Fertilizers industry	106.0	105.6	103.6	102.8	103.5	101.2	101.7
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations industry	99.4	98.9	98.5	98.4	99.0	98.9	100.2
Patent medicines	122.7	119.0	111.6	111.1	114.1	112.4	115.6
Ethical preparations for human use	104.1	103.2	103.2	103.2	103.2	103.2	103.2
Vitamin preparations	88.2	88.2	100.0	100.0	99.3	100.0	101.7
Paints, varnishes and lacquers industry	107.5	107.5	108.0	108.0	107.8	107.7	106.7
Lacquers, clear	106.3	106.3	106.7	106.7	106.7	103.9	102.5
Enamels, ready-mixed, oil and synthetic ..	106.9	106.9	108.0	108.0	107.2	107.8	106.6
Thinners, lacquer, paint and enamel	100.2	100.2	103.2	103.2	103.2	100.0	100.0
Paints, latex emulsion	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.9	111.0	109.6
Paints, ready-mixed, including asphalt and tar paints	108.5	108.5	108.4	108.4	108.4	108.1	106.7
Varnishes, including japans, shellacs, and driers	107.7	107.7	108.1	108.1	108.1	110.0	110.7

(1) Corrected.

TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Concluded
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Chemicals and allied products industries -							
Concluded:							
Soaps, washing compounds and cleaning preparations industry	113.2	114.3(1)	114.0	112.8	113.9	113.6	113.7
Vegetable oils industry	103.4	103.8	104.5	105.6	104.4	103.9	101.3
Soya bean oilcake	135.6	138.2	132.2	136.3	135.2	124.7	111.8
Linseed oil, raw	88.0	88.0	92.3	91.1	89.5	101.6	95.0
Primary plastics industry	84.7	84.3	87.7	87.7	86.4	88.2	89.8
Synthetic resins, phenol-formaldehyde type	85.5	85.5	87.7	87.7	87.8	86.9	92.1
Inks, printing, industry	99.6	99.6	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	104.2
Polishes and dressings industry	115.6	115.4	114.8	114.8	114.9	114.4	111.5
Wax, liquid, self-polishing	114.0	114.0	113.4	113.4	113.5	113.4	110.4
Gases, compressed, industry	110.8	110.8	110.8	110.8	110.7	109.8	111.4
Adhesives industry	108.4	108.4	107.6	107.6	107.7	107.2	108.2
Glue, synthetic resin	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	106.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries:							
Typewriter supplies industry	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	108.1	107.3
Fountain pens and pencils industry	102.9	102.9	102.9	103.4	103.0	103.0	100.4
Clocks, watches and watch cases industry ...	109.4	109.4	109.1	109.1	109.0	108.6	104.1
Buttons, buckles and fasteners industry	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1	107.1
Candles industry	106.4	106.4	106.0	106.0	106.1	104.5	104.1
Pipes, lighters and smokers' supplies industry	95.2	95.2	95.2	95.2	95.2	95.2	95.7

(1) Corrected.

TABLE 3. 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
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
1961	233.3	203.1	254.7	234.5	305.1	258.1	181.6	185.2	188.7
1962	240.0	211.6	262.5	241.2	315.8	256.2	192.1	189.1	190.5
1963	244.6	227.8	255.6	248.0	323.4	253.6	197.5	189.5	189.3
1962 Jan.	237.0	209.6	256.4	237.3	310.1	257.6	188.4	187.3	190.2
Feb.	237.1	209.9	256.6	238.2	309.7	257.6	188.1	188.1	189.9
Mar.	237.0	210.2	255.0	238.2	310.0	257.5	188.0	188.2	190.1
Apr.	237.4	210.2	256.2	237.9	311.7	257.1	188.7	188.2	190.3
May	239.3	212.6	254.4	239.7	317.3	256.9	194.8	188.5	190.4
June	240.3	211.8	260.5	241.9	318.2	256.1	193.7	188.8	191.2
July	241.4	212.2	266.6	242.7	317.7	255.9	193.2	190.0	191.5
Aug.	242.6	212.3	271.8	244.4	319.2	255.6	193.2	190.1	191.0
Sept.	241.9	210.9	269.3	243.2	319.7	255.7	193.6	190.6	191.1
Oct.	241.7	210.0	269.4	243.2	319.3	255.7	194.4	190.6	190.1
Nov.	242.3	213.2	268.8	244.1	319.3	255.0	194.7	189.5	190.1
Dec.	242.2	216.3	265.4	244.3	318.9	253.5	194.6	189.5	190.2
1963 Jan.	243.0	221.0	260.9	245.9	320.2	253.5	195.7	189.3	189.2
Feb.	242.8	222.9	256.3	246.9	320.6	253.0	195.8	189.7	189.3
Mar.	242.4	223.0	252.9	247.7	321.2	253.0	196.1	189.4	189.3
Apr.	242.8	224.9	251.6	248.9	321.2	253.0	196.5	189.1	189.5
May	244.4	230.2	252.4	249.4	322.5	253.0	196.7	188.3	189.8
June	245.7	232.2	257.6	248.4	323.2	253.1	196.9	188.3	189.9
July	246.2	230.9	261.6	246.9	324.4	253.3	197.8	188.7	189.8
Aug.	244.7	223.0	261.7	247.0	325.2	254.2	198.0	188.7	190.2
Sept.	245.0	223.5	261.8	248.0	324.8	254.4	198.4	190.2	189.3
Oct.	245.9	233.5	252.7	248.8	324.3	254.5	198.6	190.5	188.1
Nov.	246.7	236.0	250.4	249.7	326.4	254.5	199.7	191.0	188.6
Dec.	245.3	232.1	247.6	248.4	327.3	254.2	200.3	190.4	188.8
1964(2) Jan.	246.9	236.7	247.0	248.2	329.7	255.0	201.1	191.7	188.4
Feb.	246.1	231.2	248.6	249.2	330.3	255.0	201.2	191.6	190.1
Mar.	245.6	227.7	249.3	249.6	330.9	255.0	201.5	191.5	190.1
Apr.									
May									
June									
July									
Aug.									
Sept.									
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Nov.									
Dec.									

(1) Includes gold.

(2) Indexes for 1964 are subject to revision.

TABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators (1935-39=100) - Continued

Special Groupings of Components of General Wholesale Index

Date	Non-farm products(1)	Combined iron, and non-ferrous metals groups(2)	Raw and partly mfg. goods(3)	Fully and chiefly manufactured goods		
				Total(3)	Iron and non-ferrous metals(4)	Iron
1954	219.6	217.9	204.8	224.2	212.6	211.3
1955	225.9	237.2	209.7	224.5	218.2	215.4
1956	235.7	256.6	215.8	231.5	232.7	229.3
1957	236.0	247.6	209.4	237.9	245.2	244.4
1958	233.0	240.8	209.3	238.3	249.0	249.3
1959	236.0	248.3	210.9	241.6	251.6	251.0
1960	237.0	250.6	209.6	242.2	253.5	252.6
1961	239.1	253.3	212.6	244.5	254.4	253.4
1962	244.8	258.2	223.8	249.0	254.3	253.0
1963	248.0	260.4	226.9	254.2	253.9	252.3
1962 Jan.	242.2	256.9	219.4	246.5	254.0	252.9
Feb.	242.3	256.6	220.3	246.1	254.0	252.9
Mar.	242.3	256.5	219.6	246.2	254.3	253.2
Apr.	242.7	256.7	220.4	246.7	254.3	253.2
May	245.4	259.9	224.6	247.6	254.5	253.2
June	245.7	258.6	225.4	248.8	254.5	253.1
July	245.8	258.5	226.4	249.9	254.5	253.1
Aug.	246.3	258.4	227.6	251.0	254.5	253.0
Sept.	246.4	258.7	225.4	251.2	254.4	253.0
Oct.	246.4	259.3	225.2	251.0	254.7	253.4
Nov.	246.3	259.1	226.0	251.5	254.7	253.4
Dec.	245.9	258.8	225.1	251.8	253.7	252.3
1963 Jan.	246.5	259.0	225.8	252.4	253.7	252.3
Feb.	246.8	258.8	225.2	252.3	253.3	251.8
Mar.	247.0	259.0	224.9	251.9	253.3	251.8
Apr.	247.3	259.4	225.2	252.1	253.4	251.8
May	247.6	259.5	227.0	253.6	253.2	251.6
June	247.7	259.6	229.0	254.7	253.4	251.8
July	248.0	260.4	229.3	255.4	253.4	251.8
Aug.	248.5	261.0	226.2	254.5	254.3	252.7
Sept.	248.8	261.5	226.3	255.0	254.6	252.9
Oct.	248.8	261.8	227.9	255.6	254.8	253.1
Nov.	249.8	262.6	229.3	256.6	254.8	253.1
Dec.	249.7	262.8	226.6	255.8	254.9	253.2
1964(5) Jan.	250.6	263.8	228.2(6)	256.8(6)	255.5(6)	254.1
Feb.	251.1	263.9	227.6(6)	256.7(6)	255.5(6)	254.1
Mar.	251.4	264.1	226.4	256.4	255.6	254.1
Apr.						
May						
June						
July						
Aug.						
Sept.						
Oct.						
Nov.						
Dec.						

(1) Consists of General Wholesale Index less Animal products and Vegetable products component groups (see preceding page).

(2) Consists of Iron products, and Non-ferrous metals products component groups less gold (see preceding page).

(3) These two series comprise the General Wholesale Index.

(4) Excludes gold.

(5) Indexes for 1964 are subject to revision.

(6) Corrected figure.

TABLE 3. 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)		
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	176.1	271.6	223.9
1960	240.4	129.2	132.3	189.1	264.1	226.6
1961	243.2	128.3	131.1	191.7	270.0	230.9
1962	248.0	129.7	131.9	195.5 ^r	286.0	240.8 ^r
1963	253.5	134.4	135.5	184.4 ^r	275.4	229.9 ^r
1962 Jan.	245.2	129.2	131.5	195.6	271.0	233.3
Feb.	246.2	128.8	131.5	196.4	270.8	233.6
Mar.	247.1	128.9	131.6	196.0	267.5	231.7
Apr.	247.6	129.1	131.6	195.4	272.0	233.7
May	251.8	129.8	131.6	197.7	276.5	237.1
June	251.3	130.2	131.6	200.7	285.8	243.3
July	251.2	130.3	131.9	203.7	295.6	249.6
Aug.	249.5	130.2	132.0	196.7 ^r	304.3	250.5 ^r
Sept.	246.7	130.2	132.1	190.9 ^r	297.8	244.3 ^r
Oct.	245.1	129.9	132.1	190.9 ^r	298.2	244.5 ^r
Nov.	246.6	130.0	132.4	190.2 ^r	300.3	245.2 ^r
Dec.	247.7	130.0	132.9	192.1 ^r	292.8	242.4 ^r
1963 Jan.	250.8	129.7	133.0	195.8 ^r	283.3	239.6 ^r
Feb.	250.0	130.0	133.1	199.6 ^r	273.8	236.7 ^r
Mar.	250.3	130.3	133.1	200.5 ^r	268.8	234.7 ^r
Apr.	252.1	131.0	133.4	196.6 ^r	266.6	231.6 ^r
May	254.8	131.2	133.2	197.1 ^r	271.9	234.5 ^r
June	254.9	135.5	137.1	200.1 ^r	280.1	240.1 ^r
July	255.1	136.5	136.9	198.6 ^r	286.1	242.3 ^r
Aug.	251.4	136.8	137.0	169.6	285.6	227.6
Sept.	251.0	137.3	137.2	163.9	285.2	224.5
Oct.	254.9	137.6	137.0	163.3	270.1	216.7
Nov.	258.8	138.1	137.3	163.1	269.8	216.5
Dec.	257.5	138.4	137.6	164.7	263.1	213.9
1964(3) Jan.	259.5	139.1	137.8	167.3	264.2	215.8
Feb.	258.6	139.6	137.9	165.6	266.2	215.9
Mar.	257.1	139.6	137.9	164.7	265.6	215.1
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May						
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(1) Converted from the base 1935-39=100. See Table 6.

(2) Final to July 1963. See page 51 for details on Western grain prices and specific publications wherein final indexes for earlier years may be found.

(3) Indexes for 1964 are subject to revision.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE 4. Wholesale Price Indexes of Selected Primary Commodities(1)
(1935-39=100)

Primary commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Asbestos, crude	337.5	337.5	337.5	337.5	337.5	337.5	337.5
Beans, cocoa	579.4	558.5	584.6	605.5	602.2	509.4	513.0
Beans, coffee	372.8	343.8	272.9	273.2	274.4	275.3	276.7
Coal	203.9	203.9	201.9	201.9	200.2	197.9	192.3
Copper, electrolytic	293.7	293.7	293.7	293.7	293.7	289.2	272.4
Cotton, raw	293.8	293.6	303.8	302.2	296.9	300.8	282.4
Eggs	138.7	138.1	159.7	137.0	156.6	143.6	150.6
Fruits, fresh	199.6	192.6	260.3	247.0	229.4	214.4	193.8
Grains	217.9	217.5	212.3	212.4	210.3	211.2	190.5
Hides and skins	118.4	113.8	144.4	143.3	127.4	192.1	189.8
Lead, electrolytic	272.5	272.5	220.1	220.1	231.5	208.8	213.6
Livestock	297.0	298.3	299.8	310.6	310.7	332.6	303.3
Nickel	289.6	289.6	289.6	289.6	289.6	288.6	267.7
Oil, crude	192.0	192.0	194.4	194.1	194.1	192.2	184.4
Onions	171.5	168.6	226.3	278.1	232.9	306.9	248.8
Potatoes	148.1	151.6	195.9	185.5	170.1	154.2	174.7
Rubber, raw	173.2	165.0	186.4	197.0	181.7	193.4	193.3
Scrap iron and steel	241.5	241.5	243.2	243.2	243.0	279.0	313.4
Silver	361.0	360.9	356.0	349.8	356.9	299.2	241.6
Steers	376.3	364.4	370.9	377.3	395.8	433.5	377.3
Sugar, raw	285.3	350.8	245.9	235.7	318.0	134.2	128.1
Tin	283.1	288.7	234.8	233.2	247.8	242.8	229.4
Wool, raw, domestic	256.7	264.1	232.8	232.8	242.3	220.6	203.2
Wool, raw, imported	275.8	275.8	244.9	244.9	254.9	219.5	213.9
Zinc, prime, western	289.1	289.1	255.7	255.7	271.5	255.7	266.0

(1) Indexes for 1964 are subject to revision.

TABLE 5. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities
(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
dollars							
Vegetable products:							
Barley, No. 1 feed, bu.	1.11	1.11	1.22	1.25	1.15	1.28	1.10
Coffee beans, Green Santos 2/3's, lb. ....	.59	.53	.39	.40	.40	.40	.40
Flour, first patent, Toronto, 100-lb. bag ..	7.70	7.50	7.15	7.15	7.25	7.08	6.49
Linseed oil, raw, Montreal, gal.	1.26	1.26	1.33	1.31	1.28	1.48	1.40
Oats, No. 2 C.W., bu. ....	.77	.77	.82	.83	.80	.90	.88
Potatoes, No. 1 Saint John, 75-lb. bag	1.90	1.90	2.25	2.25	2.05	1.83	1.85
Sugar, granulated, std., Montreal, 100-lb. bag	12.75	15.10	10.95	10.60	13.75	7.20	7.04
Wheat, No. 2, Manitoba Northern, bu.	2.05	2.05	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.94	1.72
Animal products:							
Butter, prints, 1st. grade, Montreal, 1b. ..	.54	.54	.54	.54	.54	.57	.65
Eggs, grade "A", large, Montreal, doz. ....	.44	.45	.54	.50	.53	.48	.51
Hides, packer, light native steers, 1b. ....	.12	.12	.17	.16	.15	.20	.19
Hogs, Toronto (bonus excluded) 100-lb.	24.92	26.61	25.89	28.89	26.89	28.45	27.36
Steers, good, Toronto, 100 lb.	22.28	22.11	22.46	22.98	23.84	26.04	22.85

TABLE 5. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities - Concluded

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
dollars							
Textile products:							
Cotton, raw, middling, 1", New York, lb. ....	.38	.38	.39	.38	.38	.38	.35
Cotton yarn, 10's, white, lb. ....	.75	.75	.75	.75	.75	.74	.71
Cotton, grey Osnaburg, clean, 7 1/8 oz., yd.	.35	.34	.35	.34	.34	.34	.33
Rayon yarn, 36 filament, 150 denier, lb. ....	.93	.93	.93	.93	.93	.91	.91
Wool, raw, Australian, 64's, clean, lb.	1.50	1.50	1.34	1.34	1.39	1.21	1.17
Wool, raw, Eastern, domestic, lb. ....	.50	.51	.46	.46	.47	.44	.42
Wood products:							
Newsprint paper, standard, Quebec, 2000-lb. ton	126.05	126.02	125.92	125.92	125.87	124.95	118.29
Pine, white, No. 1, 1" x 8", 8' - 16', 1000-bd. ft.	184.61	184.61	185.00	185.00	184.80	185.00	185.00
Shingles, asphalt, 12" x 36", 100 sq. ft. ..	6.16	6.16	6.44	6.76	6.28	6.19	6.57
Spruce, merchantable, 1" x 6"/7", 1000-bd. ft.	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50
Iron products:							
Cast iron scrap, 2240-lb. ton	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	49.17	48.50
Steel scrap, heavy melting, No. 1, 2240-lb. ton	25.42	25.42	25.75	25.75	25.73	30.13	34.42
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
Non-ferrous metals products:							
Copper, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	32.27	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50	30.97	29.16
Lead, pig, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	13.00	13.00	10.50	10.50	11.04	9.92	10.21
Tin, ingots, 99.8%, Montreal, lb.	1.54	1.55	1.25	1.24	1.32	1.29	1.22
Zinc, high grade, electrolytic, 100-lb.	13.60	13.60	12.10	12.10	12.80	12.14	12.58
Non-metallic minerals products:							
Cement, Portland, Calgary, 350-lb.	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.54
Cement, Portland, Toronto, 350-lb.	3.41	3.41	3.41	3.41	3.41	3.26	3.26
Coal, anthracite, U.S., stove size, 2000-lb. ton	26.74	26.74	25.60	25.60	25.70	21.78	20.08
Chemical products:							
Sodium carbonate, (soda ash) 58 p.c., 100-lb.	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.05
Sulphuric acid, 66° Baume, 2000-lb. ton	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	24.00	24.00

TABLE 6. Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials

(1935-39=100)

Date	Principal components									
	Total index	Cement, sand and gravel	Brick, tile and stone	Lumber and its products	Lath, plaster and insulation	Roofing materials	Paint and glass	Plumbing equipment	Electrical equipment and fixtures	Other materials
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
1961	292.5	153.0	218.9	412.3	144.8	204.0	235.6	236.1	194.2	261.8
1962	295.7	153.0	216.8	420.1	149.0	213.4	238.6	231.8	197.6	259.2
1963	306.4	158.6	226.2	437.6	151.7	240.2	256.4	236.0	205.0	250.1
1962 Jan.	294.5	152.9	218.6	417.6	147.7	189.2	235.6	236.5	194.4	258.6
Feb.	293.6	152.9	216.4	417.9	148.4	189.2	235.6	231.3	194.9	258.6
Mar.	293.9	152.9	216.4	418.0	149.2	192.4	235.6	231.3	195.2	258.9
Apr.	294.3	152.9	216.4	418.1	149.1	200.5	235.6	231.3	197.3	258.9
May	295.9	153.1	216.4	421.4	149.1	206.9	235.6	231.3	197.1	258.9
June	296.8	153.1	216.4	423.0	148.3	213.3	235.6	231.3	199.4	258.9
July	297.0	153.1	216.4	422.7	148.9	224.5	235.6	231.3	199.1	259.3
Aug.	296.8	153.1	216.4	421.7	148.9	227.7	239.0	231.3	199.0	259.3
Sept.	296.9	153.1	216.4	421.4	148.9	227.7	243.7	231.6	200.3	259.3
Oct.	296.1	153.1	216.4	419.6	148.9	227.7	243.7	231.5	199.6	260.0
Nov.	296.3	153.1	216.4	419.7	150.1	230.9	243.7	231.5	196.6	260.0
Dec.	296.5	153.1	218.5	419.7	150.1	230.9	243.7	231.5	198.4	260.0
1963 Jan.	295.8	155.1	218.5	419.1	147.4	236.3	245.4	231.6	201.8	247.8
Feb.	296.3	155.1	220.0	419.3	149.3	236.3	251.4	231.6	203.7	245.5
Mar.	297.0	155.1	220.0	420.8	150.1	232.3	251.4	231.6	203.7	246.2
Apr.	298.6	155.1	220.0	424.2	150.1	236.3	251.4	232.4	204.0	245.9
May	299.1	155.1	220.0	425.1	150.1	236.3	251.4	232.4	205.6	245.9
June	309.0	161.1	228.2	440.2	153.1	245.5	260.8	239.3	205.7	252.8
July	311.3	161.1	230.1	446.5	153.2	237.2	260.8	238.4	205.3	252.8
Aug.	311.8	161.0	230.1	447.3	153.1	243.9	260.8	238.4	205.3	252.8
Sept.	313.1	161.0	231.7	449.6	153.1	243.9	260.8	239.1	206.4	252.8
Oct.	313.7	161.0	231.9	450.8	153.8	243.2	260.8	239.1	206.4	252.8
Nov.	314.9	161.0	231.9	453.8	153.8	242.5	260.8	239.1	206.8	252.8
Dec.	315.6	161.1	231.9	455.1	153.8	249.2	260.8	239.1	205.7	252.8
1964(1) Jan.	317.1	161.3	231.9	458.6	153.8	249.2	260.8	239.2	205.8	252.8
Feb.	318.2	161.3	228.5	460.0	156.6	259.8	260.8	239.2	205.2	252.8
Mar.	318.3	161.3	228.5	460.3	156.6	259.8	260.8	239.2	205.4	252.8
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TABLE 7. 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
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
1961	131.1	119.8	133.0	123.9	127.6	126.3	113.8
1962	131.9	122.0	130.9	125.0	130.8	127.4	114.0
1963	135.5	126.8	135.9	129.8	136.7	126.8	120.8
1962 Jan.	131.5	124.0	131.5	124.7	129.2	126.9	114.2
Feb.	131.5	124.0	130.9	124.6	129.7	127.1	114.2
Mar.	131.6	124.0	130.9	124.6	130.2	127.1	114.2
Apr.	131.6	121.6	130.9	124.8	130.6	127.1	113.4
May	131.6	120.1	130.9	124.9	131.0	127.1	114.0
June	131.6	120.2	130.9	124.8	131.7	127.4	113.2
July	131.9	120.2	130.9	125.2	131.6	127.3	113.5
Aug.	132.0	120.2	130.9	125.2	131.4	127.8	113.5
Sept.	132.1	120.7	130.7	125.2	131.4	127.8	113.5
Oct.	132.1	120.7	130.6	125.3	131.0	127.7	113.6
Nov.	132.4	123.0	130.8	125.2	131.0	127.7	114.2
Dec.	132.9	125.3	130.8	125.2	131.0	127.7	116.3
1963 Jan.	133.0	126.5	132.9	125.5	131.0	125.8	118.5
Feb.	133.1	127.6	132.3	125.5	131.3	125.8	117.8
Mar.	133.1	127.6	132.4	124.9	131.3	125.8	117.8
Apr.	133.4	124.2	132.7	124.9	132.1	126.0	122.0
May	133.2	121.9	132.7	127.5	132.4	126.0	122.0
June	137.1	127.2	136.6	132.2	137.2	129.4	122.0
July	136.9	126.5	138.1	132.2	139.8	127.0	122.1
Aug.	137.0	126.5	138.1	132.9	140.3	127.2	121.8
Sept.	137.2	126.5	138.7	132.9	140.7	127.3	121.8
Oct.	137.0	126.5	138.7	132.9	140.9	127.3	121.8
Nov.	137.3	128.8	138.7	132.9	141.2	127.3	121.8
Dec.	137.6	131.2	138.7	132.8	142.1	127.3	120.6
1964(1) Jan.	137.8	131.5	139.6	132.9	143.1	127.3	120.6
Feb.	137.9	132.1	139.1	132.9	143.4	127.4	120.8
Mar.	137.9	131.2	139.2	132.9	143.3	127.7	121.0
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TABLE 7. 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
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
1961	153.2	160.1	119.0	119.2	148.6	100.2
1962	153.3	159.2	121.5	121.5	150.8	100.0
1963	157.1	158.1	123.0	124.1	163.2	105.2
1962 Jan.	153.3	159.1	120.7	109.5	148.8	99.5
Feb.	153.3	159.1	120.7	109.5	148.8	99.5
Mar.	153.3	159.1	121.5	109.5	148.8	99.5
Apr.	153.3	159.1	121.9	119.6	148.8	99.5
May	153.3	159.1	121.9	119.6	148.8	100.3
June	153.3	159.1	121.1	119.6	148.8	100.1
July	153.3	159.1	121.3	128.5	149.3	100.1
Aug.	153.4	159.1	121.3	128.5	152.1	100.1
Sept.	153.4	159.1	121.3	128.5	154.0	100.1
Oct.	153.4	159.4	121.3	128.5	154.0	100.1
Nov.	153.4	159.4	122.6	128.5	154.0	100.1
Dec.	153.4	159.4	122.6	128.5	154.0	100.8
1963 Jan.	153.4	159.4	119.7	126.4	153.6	102.0
Feb.	153.4	157.7	121.6	126.4	158.6	102.0
Mar.	153.4	157.7	122.2	126.4	158.6	102.0
Apr.	153.4	157.7	122.2	126.4	158.6	102.0
May	153.4	157.7	122.3	126.4	158.6	102.0
June	159.4	157.7	123.9	129.5	164.8	106.9
July	159.8	157.7	124.8	124.5	164.8	107.5
Aug.	159.8	157.7	123.9	124.5	164.8	107.5
Sept.	159.8	158.4	123.9	124.5	169.1	107.5
Oct.	159.8	158.4	123.7	118.1	169.1	107.5
Nov.	159.8	158.4	123.8	118.1	169.1	107.5
Dec.	159.8	158.7	123.8	118.1	169.1	107.5
1964(1) Jan.	159.8	158.8	123.8	118.1	169.1	107.5
Feb.	159.8	158.8	127.2	115.9	169.1	107.5
Mar.	159.8	158.7	127.2	115.9	169.1	107.9
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TABLE 8. Consumer Price Indexes

(1949=100)

TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
All-items index	134.6	134.5	132.1	132.1	133.0	130.7	129.2
Food	131.3	131.3	128.9	129.4	130.3	126.2	124.0
Food at home	130.7	130.8	128.9	129.5	130.2	126.2	123.9
Dairy products	134.9	135.2	130.0	130.2	131.8	130.2	130.2
Cereal products	160.3	160.3	152.0	151.9	154.0	146.9	143.8
Miscellaneous groceries ...	136.8	137.7	122.8	121.8	128.1	117.8	118.1
Beef	130.7	131.4	133.9	142.2	139.2	143.3	130.7
Pork	111.5	112.1	119.1	120.6	117.0	116.9	113.3
Fresh pork	110.6	112.2	119.6	121.5	117.5	117.2	113.9
Cured pork	111.5	111.1	117.9	118.9	115.6	115.7	112.0
Other meats	118.7	118.8	121.0	121.6	119.6	116.8	113.7
Fish	142.2	141.9	142.7	142.2	141.8	138.6	135.1
Poultry	71.6	73.7	78.4	77.6	76.3	74.4	72.7
Eggs	83.4	84.4	95.9	81.2	94.9	86.6	91.5
Dairy products including butter	122.3	122.5	118.9	119.0	120.1	120.5	123.8
Fats and oils including butter	92.8	92.6	92.3	92.5	92.2	96.8	106.2
Fats and oils excluding butter	99.2	99.1	96.9	97.6	97.3	99.2	100.9
Total fruit	151.9	148.2	150.4	146.9	156.7	141.6	140.8
Fresh fruit	151.1	145.8	158.7	153.5	165.5	152.1	149.0
Canned fruit	135.8	134.1	121.9	121.0	125.7	115.5	118.4
Total vegetables	147.8	145.4	142.3	146.5	140.2	137.3	129.1
Fresh vegetables	153.6	150.5	149.7	156.1	145.7	141.9	129.3
Canned vegetables	137.8	136.9	128.1	127.9	130.0	128.7	129.2
Direct imports(1)	150.1	147.1	147.5	145.3	150.7	139.2	135.2
Restaurant meals(2)	114.9	114.9	109.3	109.3	111.6	107.6	106.1
Housing	137.5	137.3	136.0	135.9	136.2	134.8	133.2
Shelter	152.4	152.3	149.0	149.0	150.0	147.5	145.1
Tenant costs	144.4	144.4	143.9	143.9	144.2	143.7	143.3
Home-ownership costs	160.5	160.2	154.5	154.4	156.1	151.6	147.4
Property taxes	161.8	161.8	156.8	156.8	157.8	154.3	148.4
Mortgage interest	120.3	120.3	117.2	117.2	117.9	113.3	109.3
Repairs	170.5	170.1	164.4	164.4	166.4	162.8	162.2
New houses	169.2	168.6	160.6	160.3	163.4	158.2	154.2
Personal property insurance	137.8	137.8	129.4	129.4	131.6	128.0	126.4
Household operation	123.9	123.7	124.5	124.3	123.9	123.6	123.0
Fuel	111.4	111.4	116.8	116.8	113.7	115.6	116.3
Coal	137.9	137.9	131.0	130.9	132.0	127.2	123.9
Fuel oil	93.2	93.2	102.6	102.6	97.9	101.8	103.8
Domestic gas	112.1	112.1	112.2	112.2	112.1	112.1	111.3
Electricity	116.2	116.2	117.4	117.4	116.8	116.5	117.6
Home furnishings	118.3	117.7	117.8	117.4	118.0	117.1	116.3
Appliances	81.5	81.5	82.9	82.9	82.6	84.4	86.2
Furniture	126.7	125.2	125.0	123.9	125.6	124.0	123.0
Floor coverings	140.3	139.3	136.2	134.9	138.0	135.1	131.7
Textiles	122.8	121.7	120.8	120.0	120.5	117.3	113.4
Utensils and equipment ..	152.3	152.7	151.7	151.7	151.7	146.9	142.1

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TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Housing - Concluded:							
Supplies and services	142.7	142.7	141.1	141.0	141.1	140.3	138.2
Supplies	135.4	135.4	135.1	134.6	134.2	133.2	131.7
Services	148.1	148.1	145.6	145.6	146.2	145.4	143.0
Telephone rates	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.3	149.2
Postage	122.6	122.6	122.6	122.6	122.6	122.6	122.6
Household help	181.6	181.6	170.0	170.0	173.0	169.4	161.1
Household effects insurance	115.9	115.9	110.4	110.4	111.1	111.5	113.4
Clothing	118.6	117.8	115.6	114.8	116.3	113.5	112.5
Men's wear	126.0	125.5	123.8	123.3	124.4	121.3	119.4
Suit	132.1	130.8	130.8	130.6	131.4	126.0	124.0
Business shirt	119.2	118.7	117.6	117.5	117.6	116.4	115.4
Hat	133.1	134.5	134.1	133.8	134.2	128.2	124.0
Women's wear	105.7	104.2	100.9	99.0	101.7	97.8	97.8
Winter coat	-	-	-	-	109.3	103.9	104.4
Spring coat	96.1	-	97.6	-	90.5	88.6	87.9
Cotton street dress	104.2	103.6	105.0	104.0	104.0	102.4	97.4
Slip	98.7	99.0	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.4	99.2
Hosiery	77.4	77.6	76.8	76.3	77.0	77.2	79.4
Children's wear	108.6	108.3	106.5	106.3	107.9	106.9	106.7
Boys:							
Slacks	116.5	116.8	116.4	116.4	117.0	116.1	115.5
T-Shirt	-	-	-	-	112.9	113.9	118.5
Sweater	125.0	125.0	118.9	115.5	119.5	116.5	114.6
Parka	-	94.7	-	91.8	93.7	95.5	95.9
Girls:							
Spring coat	127.1	-	116.8	-	122.7	119.0	119.9
Cotton dress	94.7	94.7	94.7	95.0	94.7	92.7	91.4
Snow suit	-	-	-	-	96.3	95.0	96.1
Infants:							
Diapers	123.4	123.2	123.4	123.4	123.4	120.6	111.9
Overalls	113.7	113.7	114.2	113.5	113.6	114.0	113.9
Footwear	151.5	151.3	150.2	150.1	150.3	148.9	147.2
Men's oxfords	161.4	161.2	160.6	160.4	160.4	158.4	153.1
Women's street shoes	148.8	148.6	148.1	147.0	147.6	147.4	145.3
Children's shoes	152.4	152.4	150.1	151.2	151.0	149.2	148.7
Women's overshoes	-	137.5	-	135.7	136.6	133.1	138.8
Piece goods	120.0	122.0	121.8	122.0	121.5	118.3	114.2
Cotton dress print	114.7	118.6	119.0	119.5	118.2	113.4	106.2
Wool dress material	97.3	99.3	98.7	98.7	98.6	96.4	96.3
Clothing services	150.2	147.7	145.4	146.0	146.7	143.8	142.0
Laundry	164.1	163.4	159.0	158.5	160.8	155.9	152.3
Dry cleaning	138.5	135.5	133.7	134.7	135.0	132.9	131.8
Shoe repairs	156.5	155.8	154.4	153.8	154.8	151.0	147.8
Jewellery(2)	114.6	114.6	111.5	111.5	112.7	109.0	107.3

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TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Transportation	143.0	142.6	139.6	139.6	140.4	140.4	140.6
Automobile operation	123.4	123.1	120.7	120.8	121.5	121.8	122.5
New passenger car	119.8	120.6	123.1	123.1	122.4	122.4	124.2
Gasoline	107.8	105.7	97.9	98.8	102.5	103.9	104.2
Tires	142.2	139.5	140.6	140.9	140.3	140.2	144.8
Automobile insurance	169.8	169.8	152.3	152.3	152.4	151.7	146.8
Fender replacement	196.5	197.7	195.2	190.0	195.2	186.5	181.7
Brake relining	152.7	152.7	151.7	150.3	151.8	149.1	149.2
Battery	97.6	97.0	97.2	98.8	97.4	99.2	99.4
Local transportation	207.2	206.9	198.8	198.6	199.2	196.9	194.9
Street car and bus fares ..	219.7	219.2	208.5	208.3	209.4	206.6	204.6
Taxi fare	131.0	131.0	134.4	134.4	132.9	133.1	131.4
Travel	127.8	127.8	127.3	127.3	127.7	125.3	120.5
Train fare	120.8	120.8	119.8	119.8	120.4	119.6	119.2
Bus fare	128.2	128.2	128.1	128.1	128.9	127.8	124.5
Plane fare(2)	111.4	111.4	111.4	111.4	111.4	106.4	95.2
Health and personal care	165.4	165.4	159.9	159.9	162.4	158.3	155.3
Health care	170.0	170.0	164.6	164.6	167.5	162.8	159.6
Doctors' fees	154.3	154.3	152.5	152.5	153.1	150.4	146.0
Office call	162.8	162.8	160.4	160.4	161.0	158.2	153.6
Confinement	172.7	172.7	170.5	170.5	171.2	167.4	161.0
Appendectomy	120.4	120.4	120.7	120.7	120.2	119.9	119.1
Dentists' fees	176.8	176.8	171.5	171.5	174.5	164.3	158.6
Filling	178.2	178.2	172.2	172.2	175.8	165.1	159.4
Dentures	151.0	151.0	147.9	147.9	149.8	141.8	138.0
Extraction	215.3	215.3	208.5	208.5	212.0	198.2	189.0
Optical care	149.6	149.6	147.9	147.9	148.7	140.4	134.0
Prepaid medical care	193.2	193.2	176.8	176.8	186.3	176.9	176.0
Pharmaceuticals	119.7	119.7	119.6	119.6	119.8	122.1	122.2
Headache tablets	118.9	118.9	122.6	122.6	121.7	124.3	124.7
Vitamins	98.8	98.8	100.6	100.6	100.9	103.1	107.0
Bandages	173.3	173.3	172.3	172.3	172.7	172.8	170.8
Prescriptions	97.9	97.9	98.1	98.1	98.1	100.8	100.6
Personal care	154.8	154.7	149.5	149.4	151.2	148.2	145.4
Supplies	132.4	132.3	129.7	129.5	131.0	128.6	127.4
Toilet soap	132.1	132.1	127.9	127.0	130.8	125.4	124.6
Toothpaste	138.1	137.1	132.0	132.0	134.8	130.4	129.5
Face powder	146.9	146.9	143.2	143.2	144.7	142.2	139.5
Razor blades	105.5	105.5	103.4	103.4	104.3	103.2	102.2
Cleansing tissues	119.0	118.6	116.5	116.5	115.7	117.2	116.3
Services	187.8	187.8	178.8	178.8	181.0	177.3	172.2
Men's haircuts	202.8	202.8	189.3	189.3	191.8	187.3	180.1
Women's hairdressing	168.0	168.0	163.2	163.2	165.2	162.4	159.4

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Concluded

(1949=100)

	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	1963	1962	1961
Recreation and reading	152.3	152.3	148.6	148.6	149.3	147.3	146.1
Recreation	148.0	148.0	145.0	145.0	145.8	144.0	143.5
Theatre admission	193.3	193.3	182.6	182.6	187.5	180.6	178.4
Admission to sporting events	200.5	200.5	195.6	195.6	196.9	193.3	183.0
Radio	98.7	98.7	96.6	96.6	96.4	97.8	101.9
Television, console(2)	100.7	100.7	99.8	99.8	99.2	98.6	100.8
Camera film	160.5	160.5	158.3	158.3	158.2	158.4	157.2
Phonograph record	134.0	134.0	130.6	130.6	132.0	128.7	138.9
Bicycle	119.4	120.3	115.8	116.1	118.2	115.3	112.4
Sports equipment(2)	106.7	106.7	103.3	103.3	104.9	101.4	99.7
Toys(2)	105.6	105.6	103.3	103.3	104.5	102.5	100.8
Television repairs(2)	122.8	121.9	122.3	122.8	122.2	123.1	116.8
Reading	165.9	165.9	159.4	159.4	160.0	157.3	153.5
Newspapers	185.5	185.5	174.4	174.4	175.3	173.0	168.9
Magazines	118.7	118.7	118.0	118.0	118.2	115.5	112.7
Tobacco and alcohol	119.4	119.4	118.0	118.0	118.1	117.8	116.3
Tobacco	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.3	109.8
Cigarettes	104.6	104.6	104.6	104.6	104.6	104.6	104.2
Cigarette tobacco	136.5	136.5	135.5	135.5	135.8	135.4	133.5
Alcohol	125.8	125.7	123.3	123.3	123.5	123.0	120.8
Beer	124.1	124.0	122.0	122.0	122.3	121.9	120.4
Liquor	129.6	129.5	125.9	125.9	125.9	125.2	121.7

Supplementary classifications:

Commodities:

Total	124.1	123.8	122.3	122.3	123.1	121.0	120.0
Total excluding food	120.1	119.7	118.7	118.6	119.0	118.1	117.8
Durable	114.7	114.7	115.8	115.7	115.5	115.3	116.1
Household equipment	115.3	115.0	115.1	114.6	115.0	114.6	114.7
Appliances(3)	85.9	85.9	86.8	86.8	86.3	87.6	89.6
Other	136.9	136.1	135.2	134.4	135.8	133.2	130.8
Transportation equipment	118.4	119.1	121.2	121.2	120.6	120.5	122.3
Non-durable	126.0	125.7	123.5	123.5	124.6	122.1	120.7
Non-durable excluding food	122.1	121.7	119.8	119.6	120.3	119.1	118.3
Textiles ("use" classification)	114.0	113.2	110.8	109.8	111.5	108.4	107.4
Garments	112.8	111.9	109.4	108.2	110.2	107.1	106.4
Household furnishings and piece goods	121.9	121.9	121.2	120.7	120.8	117.7	113.7
Textiles (chief component material classification) ..	114.0	113.2	110.8	109.8	111.5	108.4	107.4
Wool	123.9	122.4	120.1	118.0	120.7	117.8	117.0
Cotton	119.2	118.9	117.8	117.5	118.1	115.5	112.4
Synthetic	100.2	99.7	99.5	99.2	99.5	99.1	99.2
Fur	101.7	100.5	89.8	88.3	93.6	81.8	82.2
Footwear	151.5	151.3	150.2	150.1	150.3	148.9	147.2
Leather	153.4	153.3	152.3	152.1	152.3	151.1	148.5
Rubber and plastic	137.6	137.5	135.8	135.7	136.6	133.1	138.8
Other non-durable	123.5	123.2	121.8	121.9	122.1	121.9	121.2

Services:

Total	162.8	162.6	158.7	158.7	159.8	157.6	155.4
Total excluding shelter	174.2	173.7	167.5	167.5	169.2	165.9	162.5

(1) Includes oranges and orange juice, grapefruit, bananas, grapes, canned pineapple, raisins, tea and coffee.

(2) 1957=100.

(3) Includes television and radio.

TABLE 10. Average Retail Prices for Canada - Selected Food Items(1)

Item	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	1963	1962	1961	March 1964 price relative
	1964	1964	1963	1963				1949=100
					£			
Beef:								
Sirloin steak, 1b.	95.0	95.8	96.5	103.0	103.7	107.4	97.1	134.9
Round steak, 1b.	88.5	88.7	89.7	95.9	93.6	97.2	88.4	132.1
Prime rib roast, 1b.(2)	90.8	91.0	93.2	97.8	94.3	96.8	88.4	135.3
Blade roast, 1b.(3)	60.6	60.7	65.4	69.1	65.4	68.2	61.6	125.2
Stewing beef, 1b.	67.5	67.6	69.3	71.8	69.4	70.1	65.6	144.8
Hamburg, 1b.	47.3	48.3	48.6	51.3	49.7	49.6	46.2	124.8
Liver, sliced, 1b.	56.7	57.0	58.2	58.1	57.5	55.8	55.3	101.1(4)
Pork:								
Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh, 1b.	54.0	53.5	61.3	62.3	58.5	59.1	56.6	97.7
Rib chops, fresh, 1b.	69.1	71.0	75.5	77.2	74.4	74.9	72.8	121.5
Ham, smoked, boneless, to be cooked, 1b.(5)	100.9	99.7	103.0	102.5	99.8	101.1	97.8	118.7(6)
Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off, 1/2 lb.	46.4	46.2	50.7	51.2	49.2	50.2	48.5	109.5
Sausage, pure pork, 1b.	59.8	59.8	61.3	61.5	60.8	59.0	57.7	121.0
Other meats:								
Veal, loin chops, rib end, 1b.	100.4	100.5	99.8	101.3	98.7	95.4	90.9	135.2
Lamb, leg roast, 1b.	70.9	69.9	77.1	77.5	75.8	73.8	73.5	98.4
Meat loaf, canned, mainly pork, ready to eat 12 oz.	48.5	48.4	50.0	49.5	49.4	48.2	45.6	155.0(4)
Wieners or frankfurters, 1b.	55.0	55.3	56.1	56.1	55.4	54.7	54.2	105.2(4)
Fish:								
Salmon, canned, fancy pink, 8 oz.	36.0	35.6	35.7	35.7	35.4	35.6	35.9	145.4
Cod fillets, frozen, 1b.(7)	40.7	40.5	40.0	39.9	40.5	38.6	37.5	120.1(6)
Poultry:								
Chicken, grade A eviscerated (1 1/2 - 3lb.), 1b.(7)	43.1	44.7	48.2	47.6	46.7	45.2	43.5	81.6(6)
Turkey, grade A eviscerated (8 and under 16 lb.), 1b.(8)	50.9	50.0	49.5	49.5	49.6	50.0	52.8	86.7(4)
Fruits:								
Bananas, yellow, 1b.	18.7	19.3	19.5	20.5	19.3	19.0	18.7	99.6
Oranges, California, medium size (138's), doz.	55.3	54.9	72.1	70.5	66.6	63.0	58.2	157.1
Apples, volume seller, 1b.	16.4	15.4	15.6	14.7	17.6	16.2	17.8	160.0
Grapefruit, white, 96's, 1/2 doz.	62.0	60.9	66.4	68.6	73.0	54.8	53.9	161.3
Peaches, canned, choice, halves, 15 oz.	25.9	25.7	24.2	24.3	25.1	23.3	23.8	125.3
Pears, canned, choice, 15 oz.	22.3	22.2	21.2	21.2	21.5	21.3	21.8	103.5
Orange juice, unsweetened, 20 oz.	31.1	30.3	23.8	23.2	25.4	20.7	22.2	147.8
Apple juice, choice, 20 oz.	17.5	17.4	16.8	16.6	17.2	16.9	17.4	151.6
Raisins, California and Australia, 1b.	35.1	35.1	34.9	34.8	35.0	31.9	29.8	199.2
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg., 15 oz.	43.7	43.8	42.0	42.2	42.4	42.2	42.9	93.4(6)
Orange juice, concentrate, frozen, fancy, 6 oz.(8)	37.2	37.3	31.2	30.7	34.6	23.6	25.8	161.6(4)
Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced, 20 oz.	43.6	43.6	45.7	45.5	44.5	44.1	42.0	107.9(4)
Vegetables:								
Potatoes, No. 1 table, 10 lb.	50.5	50.4	50.8	48.5	51.4	47.3	47.8	145.0
Tomatoes, fresh, 1b.	31.7	28.9	31.8	36.2	28.7	26.0	25.1	135.8
Lettuce, head, fresh, 1b.	27.3	29.7	20.8	29.6	24.3	22.5	18.3	177.5
Carrots, 1b.	12.6	12.2	13.9	13.0	12.9	13.8	13.4	168.1
Celery stalks, green, 1b.	23.8	20.5	20.4	19.2	17.4	19.6	15.5	140.7
Cabbage, 1b.	12.2	12.9	14.4	14.4	11.0	11.2	8.9	158.7
Onions, No. 1, cooking, 1b.	10.4	10.6	12.1	11.5	12.8	13.7	11.1	141.5
Turnips, Canada No. 1, 1b.	8.4	8.3	8.5	7.8	9.5	7.9	7.8	168.7
Tomatoes, canned, choice, 28 oz.	31.2	30.6	26.3	26.4	27.1	26.6	27.0	155.3

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 10. Average Retail Prices for Canada - Selected Food Items(1) - Concluded

Item	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	1963	1962	1961	March 1964 price relative
	1964	1964	1963	1963				1949=100
£								
Vegetables - Concluded:								
Peas, canned, choice, 15 oz.	18.4	18.4	18.0	18.0	18.2	18.1	17.7	126.3
Corn, canned, cream, choice, 20 oz.	23.0	22.8	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	22.0	120.5
Beans, with pork and tomato sauce, 15 oz. ..	20.1	20.1	19.4	19.4	19.7	19.3	19.0	145.0
Soup, vegetable, 10 oz.	15.5	15.5	15.4	15.4	15.4	15.0	15.0	127.5
Green peas, frozen, fancy, pkg., 12 oz.	23.6	23.5	23.0	23.1	23.1	23.3	23.4	93.7(6)
Green beans, French cut, frozen, pkg., 10 oz. (8)	26.3	26.3	27.2	27.1	26.6	26.4	26.8	98.5(4)
Tomato juice, fancy, 20 oz.	17.6	17.4	15.6	15.5	16.1	15.8	16.4	110.3(4)
Tomato catsup, bottle, 11 oz.	24.7	24.7	24.4	24.4	24.4	24.1	23.7	104.8(4)
Dairy products:								
Milk, fresh, qt.	24.4	24.4	23.5	23.5	23.8	23.6	23.5	137.0
Milk, evaporated, 16 oz.	16.7	16.7	15.9	15.9	16.3	16.0	16.1	112.7
Butter, creamery, first grade, lb.	58.5	58.4	58.6	58.6	58.5	62.1	69.9	90.5
Cheese, plain, processed, 1/2 lb.	38.5	38.5	37.9	38.1	37.6	36.5	36.5	131.9
Powdered skim milk, pkg., 3 lb.	101.0	100.2	93.1	94.2	92.5	100.0	105.9	85.9(4)
Cereal products:								
Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced, 1b. ..	18.0	18.0	17.1	17.1	17.2	16.4	15.9	178.0
Flour, white, all purpose, 1b.	10.7	10.7	10.1	10.2	10.3	9.8	9.0	153.8
Cake mix, white, only liquid to be added, pkg., 14-16 oz.	39.7	39.4	33.6	33.3	35.4	32.1	32.4	124.8
Corn flakes, pkg., 8 oz.	21.7	21.7	21.4	21.4	21.5	21.2	20.0	153.5
Macaroni, dry, pkg., 1b.	21.9	22.0	21.4	21.0	21.7	20.2	19.8	159.6
Soda crackers, pkg., 1b.	38.5	38.7	38.6	38.6	38.5	38.0	37.8	101.3(4)
Fats:								
Margarine, 1b.	29.0	29.0	28.0	28.3	28.0	29.6	31.0	90.0
Shortening, 1b.	35.7	35.3	34.1	34.3	34.6	34.9	35.4	110.7
Lard, pure, 1b.	23.3	23.3	22.8	22.7	22.8	22.5	23.1	99.3
Salad dressing, jar, 16 oz.	42.5	42.7	42.6	43.1	42.6	42.6	42.1	105.0(4)
Eggs:								
Eggs, fresh, grade A large, doz.	51.3	51.9	58.9	49.9	58.4	53.2	56.3	83.4
Eggs, fresh, grade A medium, doz.(8)	44.6	44.1	54.8	45.2	52.0	47.1	49.1	96.1(4)
Miscellaneous groceries:								
Sugar, granulated, 1b.	16.9	18.1	13.2	12.7	15.7	9.5	9.6	183.2
Jam, strawberry, 2 lb. jar (24 fl. oz.) with pectin and pure, 1b.	34.6	34.5	29.0	28.0	30.4	27.0	27.0	149.4
Peanut butter, plain, jar, 16 oz.	41.3	41.4	41.6	41.6	41.5	41.0	40.0	113.9
Pickles, sweet, mixed, jar, 16 oz.	38.4	38.1	35.0	34.8	36.1	34.6	34.8	138.3
Infants' food, vegetable, tin, 5 oz.	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2	10.8	10.8	134.9
Tea, black, pkg., 1/2 lb.	61.7	61.6	61.6	61.7	61.6	61.4	60.3	125.9
Tea bags, orange pekoe, pkg., 60-bag	83.6	83.8	84.5	84.6	84.3	84.1	81.6	104.5(4)
Coffee, medium quality, pkg., 1b.	85.0	82.6	74.3	74.3	74.7	75.6	74.0	136.6
Coffee, instant, dried, jar, 6 oz.	114.5	112.0	100.0	101.0	100.7	102.3	100.7	107.7(4)
Jelly powders, flavoured, pkg., 3 oz.	11.3	11.3	10.5	10.0	10.8	10.0	10.1	116.6(6)
Baking chocolate, unsweetened, bar, 8 oz.(8)	63.1	63.1	62.7	61.3	62.7	61.3	61.3	103.0(4)
Honey, No. 1, white, 2 lb.	66.0	65.8	62.7	62.0	63.4	60.4	60.6	108.6(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.

TABLE 11. 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 11. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities - Continued

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TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities - Continued

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities - Concluded

TABLE 12. Average Weekly Wages in Manufacturing in Current Dollars and Adjusted for Changes in the Consumer Price Index(1)
1957-64

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
	\$		\$	
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	71.96	172.4	56.14	134.5
1961 - Average	74.27	177.9	57.47	137.7
1962 - Average	76.55	183.4	58.47	140.1
1963 - Average	79.40	190.2	59.61	142.8
1963 - Jan.	78.26	187.5	59.24	141.9
Feb.	78.45	187.9	59.39	142.3
Mar.	79.01	189.3	59.72	143.1
Apr.	80.05	191.8	60.51	145.0
May	80.25	192.3	60.43	144.8
June	79.64	190.8	59.66	142.9
July	78.38	187.8	58.54	140.2
Aug.	78.82	188.8	59.09	141.6
Sept.	80.29	192.4	60.10	144.0
Oct.	80.93	193.9	60.40	144.7
Nov.	81.91	196.2	61.04	146.2
Dec.	76.53	183.3	57.03	136.6
1964 - Jan.	81.99	196.4	60.96	146.0
Feb.				
Mar.				
Apr.				
May				
June				
July				
Aug.				
Sept.				
Oct.				
Nov.				
Dec.				

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 51.

TABLE 13. Spatial Retail Food Price Indexes, 1956-63(1)

Winnipeg = 100

	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
Halifax	99	100	99	102	101	99	99	100
Saint John	101	102	100	102	103	101	100	101
Montreal	98	99	98	98	100	98	98	100
Ottawa	97	99	98	99	99	98	97	99
Toronto	97	98	97	97	99	97	96	98
Winnipeg	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Regina	104	104	103	105	103	101	101	102
Saskatoon	105	104	104	105	104	102	102	103
Calgary	101	101	100	102	100	98	98	98
Edmonton	100	101	100	101	98	97	96	97
Vancouver	105	105	104	106	104	102	101	103

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 52.

TABLE 14. 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
1961	282.2	261.4	226.7	220.6	566.0	224.2	259.0
1962	290.8	268.8	235.1	228.0	576.1	228.5	265.9
1963	298.7	273.6	237.6	239.2	600.6	236.6	273.9
1961 - January ...	273.0	260.8	223.5	220.6	522.9	223.9	253.4
1962 - January ...	283.4	267.9	233.6	228.0	537.9	226.4	260.6
1963 - January ...	293.1 ^r	273.3	237.6	239.2 ^r	567.0	233.2	269.2 ^r
April	301.1 ^r	273.8	238.3	239.2 ^r	612.1	236.5	275.3 ^r
August	302.0 ^r	273.8	237.0	239.2 ^r	622.6	240.2 ^r	277.3 ^r
1964 January ...	299.6	280.4	242.5	239.2	587.8	241.7	276.5
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
1961	286.8	265.5	221.9	223.6	550.2	223.7	261.6
1962	296.2	272.6	230.8	234.5	560.0	227.9	268.9
1963	306.5	277.8	234.3	249.3	587.3	236.1	278.4
1961 - January ...	281.6	264.8	219.1	223.6	532.2	223.4	258.3
1962 - January ...	293.2	271.9	229.1	234.5	549.8	226.2	266.4
1963 - January ...	306.0 ^r	277.5	234.6	249.3 ^r	583.4	232.3	276.5 ^r
April	306.6 ^r	277.9	235.5	249.3 ^r	583.7	235.9	278.3 ^r
August	307.0 ^r	277.9	232.7	249.3 ^r	594.7	240.1 ^r	280.3 ^r
1964 - January ...	311.7	284.1	236.8	249.3	605.9	242.5	284.0
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
1961	277.8	259.8	231.3	218.0	588.5	224.7	256.5
1962	285.3	267.3	239.3	222.4	598.9	229.1	262.8
1963	291.0	272.0	240.9	230.5	619.5	237.2	269.5
1961 - January ...	264.5	259.2	227.7	218.0	509.7	224.4	248.5
1962 - January ...	273.6	266.3	237.9	222.4	521.0	226.7	254.8
1963 - January ...	280.2 ^r	271.7	240.5	230.5 ^r	543.8	234.1	261.8 ^r
April	295.6 ^r	272.2	241.0	230.5 ^r	652.5	237.1	272.2 ^r
August	297.1 ^r	272.2	241.2	230.5 ^r	662.3	240.4	274.4 ^r
1964 - January ...	287.5	278.9	247.9	230.5	562.1	240.9	268.9

(1) 1964 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.
^r Revised figures.

TABLE 15. Average Retail Feed Prices for Canada and Five Geographical Areas
First of the Month Prices - Dollars per cwt

Item	Canada			Maritimes			Quebec		
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963
dollars									
Corn, cracked	4.01	4.03	3.86	4.57	4.58	4.22	3.88	3.89	3.66
Oats, unground	3.07	3.08	3.17	3.25	3.26	3.39	3.07	3.10	3.21
Barley, ground	3.17	3.18	3.38	3.50	3.50	3.68	3.17	3.18	3.44
Wheat, unground	3.76	3.75	3.74	4.10	4.12	4.13	3.79	3.80	3.78
Bran	2.72	2.78	3.35	2.63	2.70	3.31	2.66	2.74	3.36
Shorts	2.88	2.97	3.46	2.77	2.94	3.40	2.84	2.92	3.46
Middlings	3.27	3.33	3.62	3.24	3.35	3.60	3.31	3.39	3.61
Linseed oil meal	5.41	5.41	5.34	5.79	5.77	5.73	5.22	5.22	5.05
Soybean oil meal	6.13	6.16	5.85	6.87	6.86	6.31	5.90	5.92	5.70
Calf starter (20-24%)	5.39	5.38	5.35	5.51	5.48	5.27	5.23	5.22	5.24
Dairy ration (16%)	3.77	3.79	3.90	3.84	3.87	3.97	3.67	3.68	3.80
Dairy supplement (24%) (East)	4.55	4.57	4.68	4.51	4.58	4.84	4.53	4.53	4.56
Dairy supplement (32%) (West)	5.28	5.28	5.33	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pig starter mash	4.99	5.01	5.00	5.04	5.18	5.13	4.94	4.95	4.99
Hog concentrate (35%)	6.36	6.36	6.27	6.74	6.63	6.57	6.46	6.46	6.35
Hog grower mash	3.96	3.97	4.12	4.14	4.20	4.42	3.95	3.95	4.10
Chick starter mash (18-20%)	5.13	5.15	5.13	5.52	5.56	5.44	4.99	4.99	4.97
Growing mash	4.53	4.54	4.58	4.60	4.65	4.69	4.61	4.62	4.57
Laying mash (17-20%)	4.58	4.59	4.62	4.91	4.91	4.87	4.63	4.65	4.64
Broiler Starter mash (20-23%)	5.39	5.43	5.35	5.60	5.76	5.45	5.67	5.68	5.46
Turkey growing mash	5.03	5.04	5.02	5.37	5.40	5.28	5.19	5.20	5.16
Ontario									
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963
Prairies									
	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963	Mar. 1964	Feb. 1964	Mar. 1963
British Columbia									
Corn, cracked	3.74	3.74	3.65	4.58	4.73	4.94	4.18	4.20	4.09
Oats, unground	3.09	3.10	3.19	2.58	2.58	2.66	3.14	3.13	3.19
Barley, ground	3.29	3.30	3.50	2.52	2.52	2.64	3.20	3.20	3.42
Wheat, unground	3.82	3.82	3.83	3.10	3.08	3.05	3.81	3.77	3.71
Bran	2.85	2.90	3.43	2.80	2.83	3.16	2.60	2.64	3.49
Shorts	2.97	3.07	3.54	3.06	3.09	3.26	2.73	2.80	3.64
Middlings	3.36	3.41	3.73	2.93	2.96	3.15	3.21	3.28	3.84
Linseed oil meal	5.21	5.20	5.16	5.55	5.54	5.27	5.70	5.68	5.98
Soybean oil meal	5.75	5.76	5.50	6.13	6.22	5.95	6.68	6.66	6.33
Calf starter (20-24%)	5.49	5.51	5.48	5.07	5.06	5.03	5.87	5.88	5.92
Dairy ration (16%)	3.92	3.96	4.02	3.63	3.63	3.67	3.76	3.77	4.03
Dairy supplement (24%)	4.58	4.60	4.72	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.12	5.13	5.13	5.67	5.65	5.85
Pig starter mash	5.16	5.16	5.13	5.03	5.02	4.96	4.70	4.69	4.74
Hog concentrate (35%)	6.43	6.46	6.38	6.04	6.05	5.98	6.22	6.22	6.17
Hog grower mash	3.98	4.01	4.11	3.69	3.68	3.80	4.08	4.07	4.29
Chick starter mash (18-20%)	5.38	5.40	5.31	4.96	4.96	4.96	5.09	5.07	5.23
Growing mash	4.64	4.62	4.68	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.42	4.43	4.62
Laying mash (17-20%)	4.70	4.72	4.73	4.24	4.25	4.25	4.51	4.52	4.67
Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.49	5.54	5.48	5.16	5.16	5.12	5.23	5.30	5.34
Turkey growing mash	5.48	5.50	5.31	4.74	4.74	4.82	4.74	4.72	4.82

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

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices

(1956=100)

Current number of stocks	Investors index									
	Inves- tors total	Total indus- trial	Indus- trial mines	Foods	Bever- ages	Textiles and clothing	Pulp and Paper	Printing and publish- ing	Primary metals	Metal fabri- cating
	(110)	(76)	(4)	(12)	(7)	(6)	(6)	(3)	(6)	(10)
1954	67.8	65.8	56.4	..	87.4	99.2	62.4	..	..	..
1955	87.1	86.4	84.3	..	103.2	109.1	89.7	..	..	..
1956	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957	96.8	94.8	89.6	90.8	89.3	95.3	83.3	121.7	97.4	86.9
1958	94.1	90.6	76.3	108.9	103.2	102.1	81.2	141.1	81.2	82.7
1959	110.4	106.8	88.6	140.2	122.6	130.7	101.5	220.9	95.2	104.6
1960	104.5	101.7	95.8	127.3	117.5	114.5	100.2	253.4	87.6	82.6
1961	132.7	130.0	138.4	175.5	159.5	134.4	117.0	326.4	98.4	93.8
1962	127.9	125.5	129.7	163.5	174.4	153.7	118.6	300.6	86.4	92.3
1963	136.7	134.4	131.9	173.8	191.2	212.2	129.9	312.5	96.4	107.1
1962 - Sept.	119.6	117.6	117.4	154.5	163.7	150.2	115.5	277.3	79.6	86.2
Oct.	116.4	113.8	110.3	149.8	161.2	144.6	109.8	282.2	76.0	82.9
Nov.	123.9	121.2	122.9	156.3	173.1	150.1	112.4	290.6	82.0	89.7
Dec.	126.9	124.0	125.3	160.4	181.2	157.3	113.0	291.3	83.2	95.8
1963 - Jan.	133.2	129.8	130.4	171.9	189.1	171.1	121.2	306.8	88.4	101.4
Feb.	131.8	129.0	126.4	171.9	188.0	187.2	122.7	318.6	87.7	101.6
Mar.	132.3	129.0	125.6	172.2	189.0	195.4	124.0	305.8	88.4	102.9
Apr.	137.6	134.7	131.4	176.4	190.6	208.1	132.8	322.0	96.1	107.6
May	142.1	139.6	136.6	180.5	195.3	222.6	135.2	329.2	100.9	111.7
June	139.9	137.4	133.6	175.5	197.2	218.5	132.0	329.4	100.4	109.7
July	135.8	133.0	128.6	170.3	190.6	211.1	127.8	313.4	98.2	106.9
Aug.	133.2	130.7	128.9	167.7	186.9	211.0	124.6	298.8	94.7	103.9
Sept.	138.0	136.0	135.1	173.6	192.0	216.6	131.0	312.8	97.9	109.7
Oct.	139.3	137.6	131.7	177.3	192.8	224.3	136.8	308.3	103.3	110.9
Nov.	137.8	136.5	134.0	173.6	190.8	234.9	133.8	304.0	99.5	108.1
Dec.	139.8	139.2	140.5	174.2	192.1	246.1	136.5	301.0	100.7	110.7
1964 - Jan.	145.8	146.2	152.0	179.6	199.2	253.9	143.6	308.8	106.6	114.2
Feb.	145.4	146.4	152.6	178.8	197.8	247.6	144.3	310.8	107.9	113.8
Mar.	147.1	149.3	156.0	181.6	201.3	259.0	145.6	311.7	109.9	118.8
Apr.										
May										
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
Weekly index:										
Mar. 5	145.3	147.1	152.0	182.1	196.4	248.1	144.5	311.5	109.2	116.9
Mar. 12	146.0	148.0	154.5	180.1	198.3	258.0	143.9	312.7	109.4	117.9
Mar. 19	147.9	150.3	158.8	180.5	203.8	265.8	146.1	310.7	108.9	120.3
Mar. 26	149.2	151.9	158.9	183.6	206.7	264.2	147.9	312.0	112.0	119.9

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices - Continued

(1956=100)

Current number of stocks	Investors index									
	Non metallic minerals (4)	Petro- leum (6)	Chem- icals (3)	Con- struc- tion (4)	Retail trade (5)	Total utili- ties (20)	Trans- porta- tion (4)	Pipe- line (5)	Tele- phone (3)	Elec- tric- power (3)
1954 .....	..	65.3	..	..	..	73.5	77.8	..	89.7	..
1955 .....	..	74.2	..	..	..	87.7	97.5	..	101.4	..
1956	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957	90.9	109.0	81.4	91.6	105.3	105.1	93.9	132.6	87.7	102.8
1958	107.3	94.0	78.6	103.1	139.8	100.4	83.9	105.5	87.2	107.9
1959	116.2	87.1	96.9	137.7	175.9	109.7	88.7	117.2	90.5	126.0
1960	95.3	78.2	84.2	104.4	142.5	104.7	76.6	106.2	97.7	116.3
1961	97.3	102.6	89.1	111.9	177.3	125.8	83.7	136.4	117.0	128.6
1962	103.2	101.7	102.3	89.2	157.3	123.1	83.2	141.1	117.9	110.6
1963	129.9	99.2	129.6	71.6	176.0	135.9	101.7	152.7	124.1	126.0
1962 - Sept.	98.6	98.9	103.0	77.7	149.0	118.1	75.4	134.5	111.4	112.7
Oct.	95.2	98.0	101.3	75.0	143.8	115.1	73.0	132.6	109.4	107.2
Nov.	98.7	100.0	108.8	73.8	152.9	120.3	79.3	141.2	113.3	109.6
Dec.	103.7	99.6	115.5	74.3	162.7	122.5	84.9	140.1	117.6	107.8
1963 - Jan.	113.7	100.1	121.8	81.0	167.8	130.0	87.2	144.7	123.3	125.4
Feb.	122.6	97.0	126.3	78.6	164.2	130.1	87.8	144.8	122.3	125.6
Mar.	128.6	97.3	127.9	77.6	163.9	131.9	89.8	147.2	123.8	127.0
Apr.	134.6	98.6	132.7	79.6	172.2	135.7	93.6	148.5	127.8	129.8
May	136.1	103.1	134.4	79.3	181.7	140.2	100.7	155.3	129.3	130.5
June	136.1	99.3	128.8	74.0	180.9	139.3	102.0	156.0	126.9	128.3
July	131.3	96.3	123.0	71.2	178.1	137.0	103.1	153.8	123.8	127.9
Aug.	127.8	96.7	121.9	68.5	173.7	134.7	102.1	151.6	121.3	126.6
Sept.	130.1	100.1	127.2	62.4	177.6	138.3	107.5	157.4	123.2	124.8
Oct.	133.2	100.3	135.8	63.1	185.3	139.5	113.5	161.4	122.8	124.9
Nov.	133.8	100.6	136.8	64.2	180.8	137.0	115.5	156.2	122.2	120.1
Dec.	131.0	101.4	138.0	60.1	185.8	137.6	117.9	155.0	122.6	120.9
1964 - Jan.	137.1	104.8	139.1	61.0	194.2	141.6	121.3	161.8	122.9	125.6
Feb.	139.7	104.4	139.7	62.0	192.5	140.6	117.8	161.8	122.4	125.9
Mar.	140.4	105.4	152.7	58.7	196.8	140.8	122.6	164.4	119.5	128.1
Apr.										
May										
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
Weekly index:										
Mar. 5	139.5	105.2	150.0	58.2	193.0	139.7	121.3	161.9	118.7	126.7
Mar. 12	138.8	104.6	151.0	58.9	194.0	140.0	121.9	164.6	118.7	127.2
Mar. 19	140.7	105.1	153.1	59.2	198.2	141.3	123.3	165.6	119.3	129.2
Mar. 26	142.8	106.7	156.6	58.6	202.2	142.3	123.8	165.4	121.3	129.3

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices - Concluded
(1956=100)

Current number of stocks	Investors index				Mining index			Supplementary indexes		
	Gas dis- tri- bu- tion	Total fi- nance	Banks	In- vest- ment and loan	Total(1) mining	Golds	Base metals	Ura- niums	Primary oils and gas	Pre- ferred stocks
	(5)	(14)	(6)	(8)	(24)	(16)	(8)	(6)	(8)	(25)
1954 .....	..	..	75.4	..	67.0	85.5	56.5	..	..	102.4
1955 .....	..	..	89.3	..	85.8	95.4	81.5	..	..	106.6
1956	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957	134.4	95.0	95.7	93.8	84.2	93.0	79.5	118.7	107.0	91.0
1958	147.2	102.6	99.1	109.1	76.1	95.5	65.4	95.0	84.2	96.6
1959	160.3	128.6	129.0	127.8	86.8	112.1	72.9	82.6	76.0	94.6
1960	142.2	117.3	116.0	119.8	76.6	99.7	64.0	59.1	48.2	91.9
1961	191.3	154.3	142.2	177.1	92.5	104.6	85.9	71.8	59.1	97.8
1962	190.9	145.6	136.1	163.3	95.9	112.5	86.8	76.7	63.4	99.3
1963	217.9	148.8	141.2	163.1	91.0	107.6	81.9	91.3	65.4	102.3
1962 - Sept.	182.5	130.9	125.0	142.1	92.3	114.0	80.4	76.6	59.8	97.3
Oct.	178.1	129.9	124.5	140.0	86.9	108.9	74.8	74.6	61.1	96.8
Nov.	186.0	141.2	135.5	151.9	88.4	105.4	79.0	77.6	63.9	98.1
Dec.	191.4	146.0	138.6	160.0	88.6	102.5	81.0	81.6	65.1	99.3
1963 - Jan.	196.4	153.3	143.7	171.5	92.1	105.3	84.9	86.8	65.9	102.0
Feb.	199.8	147.7	138.2	165.5	92.9	111.6	82.7	91.7	62.4	101.5
Mar.	201.8	148.7	139.8	165.2	92.9	109.6	83.7	89.5	63.4	101.2
Apr.	212.8	153.9	145.6	169.3	93.2	107.8	85.2	92.4	67.9	101.9
May	228.6	156.1	147.4	172.5	92.5	106.2	85.0	97.5	68.7	103.9
June	230.2	152.5	144.9	166.7	90.8	107.6	81.5	96.1	64.3	103.5
July	221.6	147.4	139.8	161.7	90.8	109.5	80.5	90.5	62.9	102.2
Aug.	216.4	142.8	136.6	154.4	90.6	111.8	79.0	89.7	62.8	101.6
Sept.	231.6	146.8	139.9	159.6	91.8	112.8	80.2	93.0	66.5	101.6
Oct.	227.7	146.7	140.6	157.9	90.3	106.5	81.5	93.4	67.1	102.4
Nov.	222.1	144.8	138.2	157.0	87.6	102.0	79.6	89.7	66.6	102.6
Dec.	225.3	145.2	139.4	155.9	86.5	100.2	78.9	85.0	66.6	102.7
1964 - Jan.	236.0	148.6	141.3	162.4	90.3	104.5	82.5	86.4	69.5	102.3
Feb.	232.4	146.4	137.4	163.2	92.2	105.3	85.0	87.4	71.6	102.4
Mar.	227.8	144.2	134.4	162.4	96.4	107.6	90.2	90.4	72.2	102.0
Apr.										
May										
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
Weekly index:										
Mar. 5	228.8	143.7	133.2	163.4	95.0	105.9	89.1	90.6	71.2	..
Mar. 12	225.0	143.9	135.0	160.5	96.4	107.9	90.1	90.1	72.8	..
Mar. 19	227.9	144.2	134.7	162.0	97.3	109.0	90.9	90.2	72.5	..
Mar. 26	229.7	144.9	134.9	163.6	96.7	107.7	90.7	90.6	72.2	..

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

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 17. Base-weighted and Current-weighted Highway Construction Price Indexes, All-items and Major Components, Annually, 1956-62(1)

(1956=100)

Note: The years referred to are fiscal years. For example, 1956 represents the period April 1, 1956 to March 31, 1957

	All-items		Major components					
	Base-weighted	Current-weighted	Grading		Granular base courses		Surface courses	
			Base-weighted	Current-weighted	Base-weighted	Current-weighted	Base-weighted	Current-weighted
1956	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957	92.3	92.0	88.5	88.6	93.3	91.8	102.2	101.9
1958	81.4	77.2	76.8	70.9	83.4	82.6	91.7	90.7
1959	81.8	81.8	76.4	74.4	84.8	85.0	93.2	91.3
1960	82.3	81.2	78.0	75.1	80.6	79.1	97.1	93.6
1961	74.8	72.6	71.1	65.5	76.3	75.8	83.6	83.0
1962	75.9	74.2	70.5	67.6	76.8	74.4	90.0	86.3

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 49. Provincial tables available in Feb. 1964 Prices & Price Indexes.

The indexes presented are the weighted average of indexes for Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, British Columbia and the Federal Government.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price Series

Appearing in this Bulletin

Wholesale Price Indexes

Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)

Industry Selling Price Indexes are published for most of the manufacturing industries and as such are the first Canadian "wholesale" price indexes to be organized according to an industry classification. Because of their common form of organization these indexes may be used in conjunction with a whole array of related statistics such as shipments, employment and inventories, to name a few, which also conform to the Standard Industrial Classification. Thus, Industry Selling Price Indexes have a clearly defined conceptual basis which fits into a common framework of analytical statistics. For this reason and because of their relatively high standard of representativeness they are recommended over their counterpart commodity series of the General Wholesale Index for purposes relating to output of manufacturing industries. However, because Industry Selling Price Indexes are available only since 1956 (in a few cases since 1949) the General Wholesale Index and its components must still be relied upon for earlier periods.

A complete description of these indexes is contained in:

Industry Selling Price Indexes 1956-59

Catalogue No. 62-515

General Wholesale Index (1935-39=100)

The General Wholesale Index is a commodity classified index of prices. The index is "general" inasmuch as it incorporates a diverse selection of both primary and processed commodities. It is called "wholesale" because its ingredient prices relate to that broad and heterogeneous area of commodity distribution which excludes only retail trade. In fact, the term "wholesale" has more of a connotation of bulk trading than of any homogeneous level of distribution. Thus, though the index mainly includes prices of producers, it also covers transactions of "middle men" who trade in commodities of a type or in quantities characteristic of primary marketing functions.

Though general wholesale price indexes have been calculated by many countries for years there is no precise answer to the question of what such an index measures. This is so because the index cannot be associated with any adequately definable value aggregate. Unlike a consumer price index which can be identified with expenditures of household consumers, a general wholesale index covers a host of overlapping transactions sometimes involving the same ingredient in as many as three different stages of processing. Yet, conceptually, it is not a measure of the purchasing power of money because it omits significant areas of monetary transactions such as prices of land, labour, securities and services, except in so far as prices of these things are implicit in commodity prices. As a conventional summary figure, its use has tended towards a reference level against which to observe the behaviour of particular price groups such as farm products, industrial materials, building materials and the various other groupings for which indexes are published. And as an indicator of general business conditions it is usually included in the group which is regarded as approximately coincident with the business cycle. However, its main attribute now lies in its long historical continuity.

For further details about the General Wholesale Index please consult:

Wholesale Price Indexes 1913-1950 (Reference Paper No. 24)

Prices and Price Indexes 1949-1952 (Vol. 23) (Catalogue No. 62-501)

Canadian Farm Products Index (1935-39=100)

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 1962-July 1963 were announced Feb. 17, 1964. Prices for Manitoba Northern were adjusted No. 1 to \$1,871 per bushel, No. 2 to \$1,843 and No. 3 to \$1,819 and the indexes revised accordingly. Current indexes are based on initial payments for Manitoba Northern Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of \$1.50, \$1.46 and \$1.42 per bushel respectively.

Commencing August 1, 1949, Western oats and barley were brought under control of the Canadian Wheat Board. Since that time prices used for the Canadian Farm Products Index have been the initial payments to farmers, with participation payments included whenever they are announced. For the crop year 1962-63, the final payment for oats announced April 14, 1964, brought the price for No. 2 C.W. to \$.717 per bushel; for barley the final payment announced March 26, 1964, brought the price for No. 1 Feed to \$1.000 per bushel. Initial payments for the crop year 1963-64 are \$.60 per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and for barley \$.87 for No. 1 Feed and \$.84 for No. 2 Feed.

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 1958, July 1959, June 1960 and 1961, and Table 3 of March 1962 and 1963. Indexes subsequent to July 1963 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 7. This index has been constructed specifically to measure the price change of materials used in non-residential building construction. It supplements a price index applicable to materials used in residential construction which has been available for some years. The new index has been constructed on the base 1949=100, using weights obtained from data on cost of building materials provided by general and trade contractors for a sample of buildings constructed in Canada during the years 1948-1950.

The methods of constructing the index are explained in some detail in D.B.S. Reference Paper No. 43, entitled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index, 1935-1952", which was released on August 21, 1953 and which is available for the sum of 25 cents on request to the Dominion Statistician. This publication also comments on the uses and limitations of the index, and provides the total index by years from 1935 to 1952, and by months for the period January 1949-July 1953. Price indexes for twelve principal component material groups have been calculated by months from January 1949 to July 1953 and these indexes are also contained in the above mentioned publication.

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 non-residential series, Table 3 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 current 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 1951 = 100, all indexes are on the base 1949 = 100. The regional indexes are patterned after the Consumer Price Index for Canada. They are similar to this index in terms of family coverage, item content and weighting system.

These indexes fulfil the same purpose as the cost-of-living series which they replace, viz.: each index is designed to measure the influence of changes in retail prices taking place in the localities specified, upon the cost of a fixed basket of goods and services representing the level of consumption of a representative group of families in those particular areas.

In using the city indexes, it should be remembered that they are not indicators of comparative levels of prices as between the cities. That is, they do not in any way indicate whether prices are higher or lower in one city than in another. This fact may be illustrated by reference to temperature changes occurring in two cities. Suppose that in city A the temperature increases by 20 per cent from Time 1 to Time 2, and that in city B it increases 30 per cent during the same interval. In this instance an index of temperature change for City A would be 120 at Time 2 when Time 1 = 100, and the corresponding index for city B would be 130. From these indexes, it is obviously impossible to say whether or not it is warmer or colder in city A or city B. While the indexes form valid measurements of temperature change, they do not in any way indicate the comparative levels of temperature.

Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers: The index of Commodities and Services used by Farmers is designed to measure the change in retail prices of farm operating costs and farm living costs. It is calculated thrice yearly, viz.: January, April and August, and is on the base 1935-39=100. For an explanation of method 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

Security price indexes measure through time the effect of price change on the value of a portfolio of stocks bought and held by a hypothetical investor (as opposed to the more speculative trader). The portfolio represents stocks of Canadian companies listed on Toronto, Montreal and Canadian stock exchanges. The number of shares held for each issue is in proportion to the total number of shares outstanding. Prices in the common and mining stock indexes are Thursday's closing quotations as reported in the Globe and Mail and the Montreal Gazette. For preferred stocks, prices are monthly weighted averages of the daily closing prices in which weights are daily total sales. The price reference base for the indexes is the year 1956 which has been adopted as an interim base for recently developed D.B.S. indexes. The indexes express current prices as a percentage of prices in 1956.

Revised indexes on the base 1956=100 were first presented in the June 1962 issue of this publication. The most important change in the revision of the index, apart from the shift in the price reference base, is the classification of stocks according to the Standard Industrial Classification. In the continuing major group Industrials 4 sub-groups (Milling and Grains, Food and Allied Products, Machinery and Equipment, and Building Materials) have been replaced by 8 new sub-groups (Foods, Printing and Publishing, Primary Metals, Metal Fabricating, Non-Metallic Minerals, Chemicals, Construction, and Retail Trade). The remaining 5 sub-groups of the former index, viz., Industrial Mines, Beverages, Textiles and Clothing, Pulp and Paper, and Oils (renamed Petroleum) have been continued. The major group Utilities is continued but the Pipeline index has been added as a sub-group and the previous Power and Traction sub-group has been replaced by two new sub-groups, viz., Electric Power and Gas Distribution. A new major group Finance is composed of the former major group Banks and the former supplementary index Investment and Loan. Constant weights, which were previously limited to major groups, have been extended to sub-groups. Weights in the index continue to be based on shares outstanding.

For the list of stocks currently included in the Investors Index and Preferred Index, see Prices and Price Indexes for January 1964. The following changes have occurred in the index. Faraday Uranium Mines Ltd., being exchangeable into shares of The Canadian Faraday Corp. Ltd., in February; Atlas Steels Ltd., and Consolidated Mic Mac Oils Ltd., were removed from the index in March.

Price Indexes of Highway Construction (1956=100)

The Price Indexes of Highway Construction in Canada express prices paid by provincial and federal governments in contracts awarded for highway construction each year as a percentage of prices paid in 1956. Both base-weighted and current-weighted indexes are published annually. The base-weighted index measures the movement of prices through time whereas the current-weighted index measures the movement of prices only between the base year (1956) and each specified current year.

The base-weighted index measures the effect of price change on the cost of a fixed programme of highway construction in Canada represented by highway construction contracts of \$50,000 or more awarded by specified provincial governments and the federal government over the period 1956 to 1959. Weights of items in the index, representing the relative importance of units of construction in the fixed programme, are held constant. Only prices change from year to year, and the index thus measures the movement of prices through time. The base-weighted all-items index or its components are useful for planning and budgeting for highway construction programmes, in escalating or up-dating previously costed road-work, in estimating replacement costs of previously completed road-work, and as historical measurements of price trends in highway construction.

In the current-weighted index, weights of items are not held constant, as in the base-weighted index, but vary from year to year in accordance with the changing programme of highway construction. The index is designed to measure for any given year, the effect of price change since 1956 on the cost of the given year's construction programme. The index for each year expresses the cost of that year's programme of highway construction at that year's prices as a percentage of the cost of the same construction at 1956 prices. The index thus measures price changes between 1956 and the specified year. The construction programme can and does vary considerably from year to year and differences between the indexes in successive years arise partly because of price change and partly because of changes in the weights of items. Thus the current-weighted index

should not be used as a measure of price change between any years except the base year (1956) and the specified given year. The main use of the current-weighted price index is in deflation of current dollar expenditures on highway construction. Changes in current dollar expenditures from year to year include both changes in prices and changes in the volume of highway construction. By deflation, price change is removed and the resulting deflated dollar expenditures (expenditures in terms of 1956 prices) reflect changes through time in the volume of highway construction expenditure.

Neither the base-weighted nor current-weighted indexes are designed to reflect the price movements of non-contract construction or maintenance work. Nor do the indexes reflect comparative price levels at different geographic locations. Thus the indexes cannot be used to compare price levels among provinces.

Prices contained in the index are not for units of labour and materials as is usually the case in construction price indexes but rather for units of construction work such as, an acre of clearing, a cubic yard of earth excavation or a ton of bituminous hot-mix paving. In addition, the index contains prices of some materials, such as culvert pipe, usually supplied to the contractor by the highway departments. Prices of construction work are annual weighted averages of bid prices of units of construction in contracts awarded, classified by price-determining characteristics of contracts, such as size, type and geographic location. Prices of material items of supply are prices paid by government departments to suppliers.

A complete description of the index is contained in the reference paper Price Indexes of Highway Construction in Canada, 1956=100, D.B.S. Catalogue No. 62-520.

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* A comprehensive statistical report on wholesale, farm, consumer and security prices and price indexes covering intensively the period 1949-52 and more broadly earlier periods, in some cases from 1913; brief text is included.

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 ($\$55.00 / \50.00×100.0). Such an index may be called an index of weekly real wages. It indicates that average wages for week B will buy 10 per cent more goods and services than those received in week A, in spite of a 10 per cent rise in consumer prices. This 10 per cent increase in real wages compares with the rise of 20 per cent in money wages ($\$60.00 / \50.00×100.0).

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 12, 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

1956-1963

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 1956-1963, 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 13 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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