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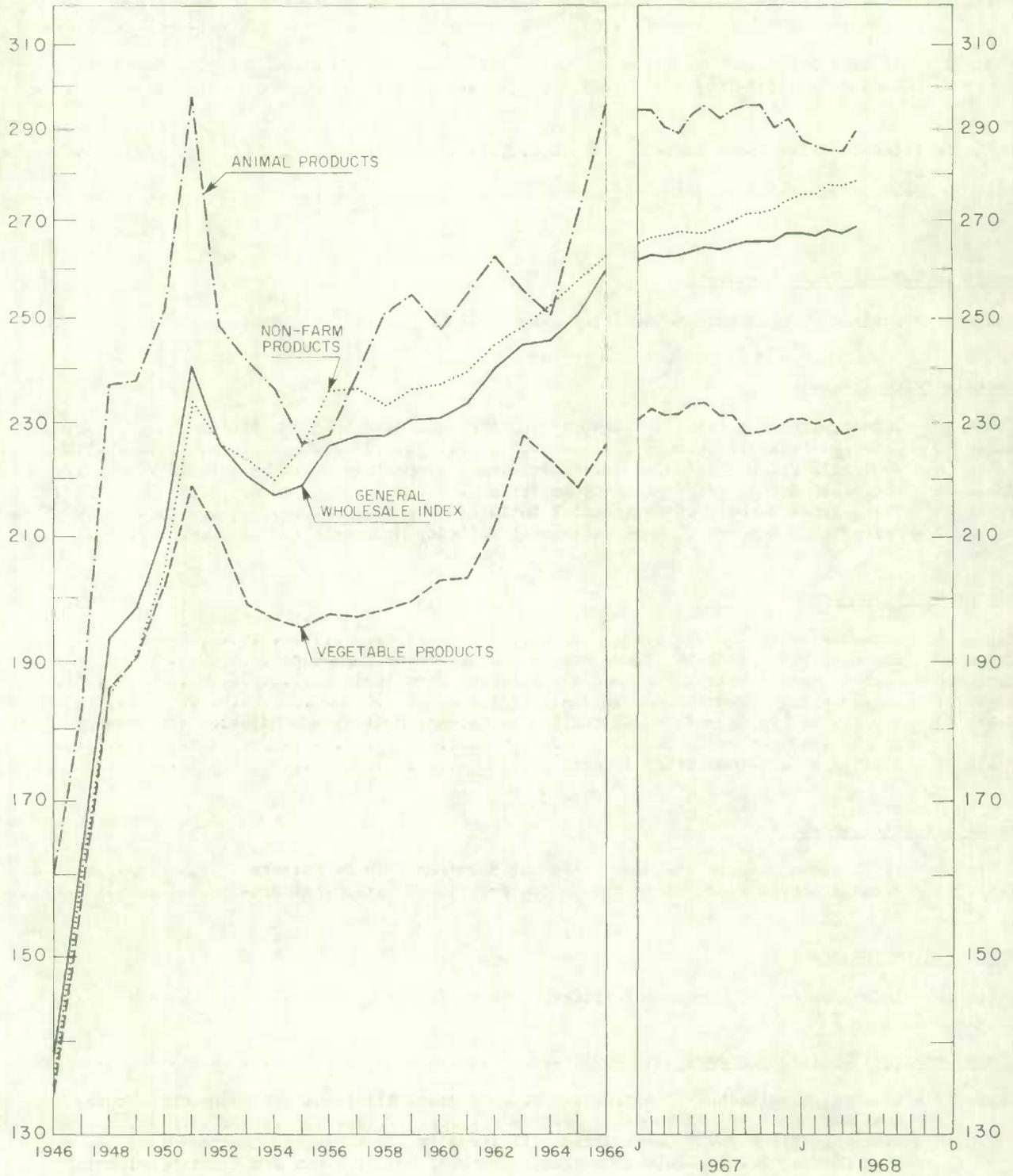
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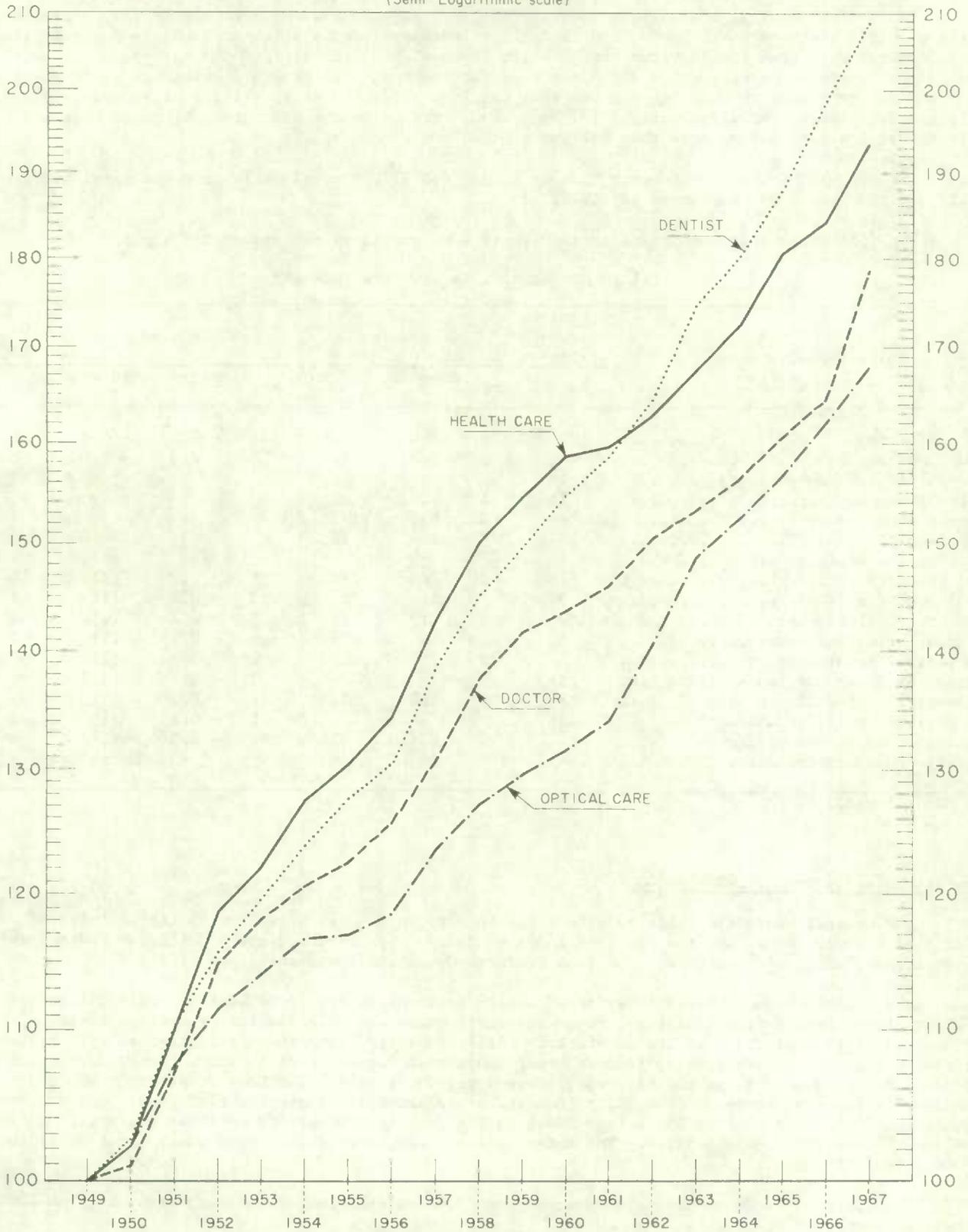
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**WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES**  
**TOTAL INDEX AND SELECTED COMPONENT GROUPS**  
 ANNUALLY, 1946-66, MONTHLY, JANUARY 1967-MAY 1968  
 (1935-39=100)  
 (Semi-Logarithmic Scale)



NOTE NON-FARM PRODUCTS IS THE GENERAL WHOLESALE INDEX LESS ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE PRODUCTS COMPONENT GROUPS.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES**  
**PRICE MOVEMENTS FOR THE HEALTH CARE AND SELECTED COMPONENTS**  
 ANNUALLY, 1949-1967  
 (1949 = 100)  
 (Semi-Logarithmic scale)



Source: Prices & Price Indexes  
 May 1968

NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)

In 29 manufacturing industries, Industry Selling Price Indexes were higher in May, 8 less than in the previous month-to-month comparison in April. Industry Indexes which declined in May numbered 18, a decrease of 6 from the previous month, while indexes in 55 industries were unchanged, 14 more than in April. Price changes which did occur were for the most part moderate, although sharp (over two per cent) increases in slaughtering and meat packing, vegetable oils, shingle mills and jewellery and silverware industries were recorded in the period. Prices in the fish processing and wire and cable industries declined by more than one per cent.

The average of the 102 industry indexes in May was 117.5, up slightly from the April average of 117.3. The median was unchanged at 117.4.

The following table summarizes April-May price movements by major industry group:

April to May Changes in Industry Indexes

Major industry group	Total industries		Increases		Decreases			Un-changed
	No.	No.	Average	Median	No.	Average	Median	No.
			%	%		%	%	
All industries .....	102	29	1.0	0.8	18	- 0.5	- 0.2	55
Foods and beverages .....	20	9	1.0	0.8	3	- 0.7	- 0.6	8
Tobacco and tobacco products .....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Rubber products .....	1	1	0.9	(1)	-	-	-	-
Leather products .....	4	2	0.2	(1)	-	-	-	2
Textile mills .....	10	2	1.2	(1)	-	-	-	8
Clothing and knitting mills .....	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Wood products .....	7	2	1.5	(1)	1	- 0.4	(1)	4
Paper products .....	5	-	-	-	2	- 0.1	(1)	3
Iron and steel products .....	9	2	0.2	(1)	2	- 0.1	(1)	5
Transportation equipment .....	3	-	-	-	1	- 0.1	(1)	2
Non-ferrous metal products .....	5	3	1.7	0.5	2	- 0.3	(1)	-
Electrical apparatus and supplies ....	5	-	-	-	3	- 1.1	- 1.0	2
Non-metallic mineral products .....	8	3	1.0	1.2	1	- 0.2	(1)	4
Products of petroleum and coal .....	3	-	-	-	1	- 0.1	(1)	2
Chemicals and allied products .....	11	5	0.9	0.6	2	- 0.5	(1)	4
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

(1) Not relevant.

General Wholesale Index (1935-39=100)

The General Wholesale Index rose to 268.7 in May, up 0.6 per cent from the April index of 267.2, and 1.9 per cent above the May 1967 index of 263.6. Six of the eight major group indexes were higher in May, while one declined. The Iron Products Group index was unchanged at 276.6.

The Animal Products Group index moved up 1.5 per cent in May to 289.3 from the April index of 285.1 on higher prices from livestock, fresh and cured meats and milk and its products. A rise of 0.9 per cent to 257.8 from 255.6 in the Non-ferrous Metals Products Group index reflected sharply higher prices for silver. The Vegetable Products Group index rose 0.4 per cent to 229.0 from 228.0 on price increases for potatoes, sugar and its products, and vegetable oils. The Wood Products Group index advanced 0.4 per cent to 364.0 from 362.5 in response to price increases for fir, cedar, and paperboard. An increase of 0.3 per cent to 255.4 from 254.6 in the Textile Products Group index was attributable to higher prices for cotton fabrics. The Non-metallic Minerals Products Group index moved up slightly to 206.1 from 205.6.

The Chemical Products Group index moved down 0.4 per cent in May to 214.3 from 215.1 on lower prices for soaps and detergents.

The following table shows some of the more noteworthy changes:

Commodity group and sub-group	Percentage changes		
	May 1968 April 1968	May 1967 April 1967	May 1968 May 1967
Animal products group .....	+ 1.5	+ 1.4	- 1.3
Livestock .....	+ 4.6	+ 4.4	- 2.8
Meats, fresh .....	+ 3.6	+ 2.5	+ 0.3
Poultry .....	+ 2.3	--	- 2.3
Meats, cured .....	+ 1.9	+ 0.7	- 6.8
Hides and skins .....	- 6.8	+ 2.9	- 5.5
Fishery products .....	- 3.4	- 2.4	+ 1.3
Eggs .....	- 3.0	- 8.3	- 3.5
Non-ferrous metals products group .....	+ 0.9	- 0.3	+ 9.3
Silver .....	+ 12.5	--	+ 84.1
Lead .....	- 7.0	--	- 7.0
Tin .....	- 1.9	- 0.7	- 6.5
Vegetable products group .....	+ 0.4	+ 0.7	- 1.8
Potatoes .....	+ 32.8	+ 7.3	+ 55.5
Sugar and its products .....	+ 1.6	+ 12.4	- 10.9
Vegetable oils .....	+ 1.5	- 0.3	+ 23.3
Fruits, fresh .....	- 3.6	- 0.8	+ 34.6
Wood products group .....	+ 0.4	(1)	+ 5.7
Paper board .....	+ 2.1	--	+ 6.2
Fir .....	+ 1.7	- 0.3	+ 16.6
Cedar .....	+ 1.2	+ 0.6	+ 34.6
Textile products group .....	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 1.0
Fabrics, cotton .....	+ 2.3	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Cotton, raw .....	- 2.7	+ 1.0	+ 13.1

(1) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

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

The price index of Thirty Industrial Materials, calculated as an unweighted geometric average, advanced 0.3 per cent to 252.0 in May from the April index of 251.2. Prices were higher for six commodities, lower for nine and unchanged for fifteen. Principal changes included increases for linseed oil, hogs, steers and raw sugar, and decreases for domestic lead, raw cotton, steel scrap, tin and sisal.

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

The price index of Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets moved up 2.6 per cent to 255.5 in May from the April index of 249.0. The Animal Products index rose 2.7 per cent to 322.2 from 313.8 reflecting higher prices for lambs, hogs and steers on both Eastern and Western markets and for poultry in the East. Prices were lower for eggs in the East. The Field Products index advanced 2.4 per cent to 188.7 from 184.2 on price increases for potatoes on both markets and for flax in the West. Lower prices were recorded for hay on both markets and for barley, wheat and corn in the East.

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

The Consumer Price Index for Canada edged up by 0.1 per cent to 156.2 at the beginning of May from 154.1 at the beginning of April. The index was 4.1 per cent above the level of 148.1 recorded twelve months earlier. Increases in five main component indexes slightly outweighed decreases in the indexes for both food and clothing. Among the components that increased, Housing rose by 0.3 per cent, largely as a result of higher shelter costs, while Recreation and Reading advanced by 1.2 per cent. Food prices declined, thus eliminating most of the advance of the preceding month. Clothing prices were lower by 0.4 per cent as a result of May sales for many items.

The Food index declined by 0.6 per cent to 148.9 in May from 149.8 in April, partially reflecting lower quotations for a number of meat items. Many staple foods, including fresh milk, butter, and cheese remained unchanged in price, while bread, sugar and egg prices declined slightly. In contrast, most fresh fruits, including grapefruit, bananas, and apples registered upward movements. Among fresh vegetables, celery, onions and tomatoes rose in price, while lettuce declined markedly. Meats were generally lower in price; beef quotations, in particular, declined for the seventh consecutive month. The Food index in May 1968 was 3.6 per cent above its level of twelve months earlier.

The Housing index rose 0.3 per cent to 157.1 in May from 156.6 in April. Rents increased by 0.3 per cent, led by rises of 0.6 per cent in Ottawa and 0.5 per cent in Edmonton. Home-ownership costs also continued their steady advance. Fuel oil prices rose in a number of cities, while prices for homefurnishings showed little change. The May 1968 Housing index was 4.4 per cent above its level of May 1967.

The Clothing index declined by 0.4 per cent to 135.8 in May from 136.3 in April. While a number of items of apparel remained unchanged in price, sales on many articles accounted for decreases in all categories of clothing. Even the footwear index, which tends to be relatively resistant to price decreases, registered its first decline in seven months. The Clothing index stood 3.0 per cent above its level of May 1967.

The Transportation index edged up by 0.1 per cent to 161.0 in May from 160.8 in the preceding month. The only major increase was an advance of approximately ten per cent in domestic air fares which had remained virtually unchanged since 1962. Partially offsetting this increase were declines of 0.2 per cent in the prices of both new automobiles and gasoline. The Transportation index was 3.6 per cent above its level of twelve months earlier.

The Health and Personal Care index rose by 0.4 per cent to 197.8 in May from 197.0 a month earlier. Higher prices were recorded for pharmaceuticals, most toiletries and for men's and women's hairdressing. The Health and Personal Care component was 3.6 per cent above its level twelve months ago.

The Recreation and Reading index advanced by 1.2 per cent to 174.2 in May from 172.1 a month earlier, as a result of higher prices for cinema admissions, camera film, bicycles and other toys. This index stood at a level 4.6 per cent higher than a year earlier.

The Tobacco and Alcohol index edged up by 0.1 per cent to 141.1 in May from 140.9 a month earlier, reflecting higher tobacco and cigarette prices in several cities. The Tobacco and Alcohol component was 10.3 per cent higher than twelve months earlier.

### Security Price Indexes (1956=100)

The Investors Index of common stock prices continued the rise started last month at a slower rate, with an increase of 1.2 per cent to 171.2 from 169.1 between April and May. Among the three major groups, Finance rose 3.0 per cent to 145.9 from 141.7, Industrials edged up 1.2 per cent to 181.0 from 178.8, and Utilities eased 0.1 per cent to 154.0 from 154.1. In Finance, Banks rose 2.7 per cent to 154.6, their highest level since December 1961, and Investment and Loan rose 3.5 per cent. Within Industrials, now 0.3 per cent below last year's level for this month, indexes for eleven sub-groups increased and two decreased. Increases ranged from 10.7 per cent for Metal Fabricating, the same increase as last month, to 0.2 per cent for Primary Metals. Textiles and Clothing registered its first rise in eight months, 9.5 per cent. Construction advanced 7.7 per cent after having shown the largest Industrial increase last month, and was closely followed by Non-metallic Minerals up 7.5 per cent. Other Industrials showing an increase of more than 5.0 per cent were Foods, 6.2 per cent, and Chemicals, 5.5 per cent. Pulp and Paper decreased 3.5 per cent, a contrast to last month's only increase of the year, and Industrial Mines eased 1.2 per cent. In Utilities, indexes for two sub-groups decreased and three increased. Telephone and Electric Power dropped 3.1 per cent and 1.6 per cent respectively.

Transportation and Pipelines, up 3.3 per cent and 2.2 per cent respectively, continued the trend started last month, after decreases had been shown in the first quarter of the year. Gas Distribution edged up 0.2 per cent, indicating a much smaller increase than that of last month.

In the same period, the index of Mining stock prices rose 4.8 per cent to 107.3 from 102.4 after showing a decrease in the three previous months. Golds advanced 5.8 per cent as Base Metals rose 3.7 per cent.

Of the two supplementary price indexes, Uraniums edged up 1.8 per cent to 255.7 from 251.3 while Primary Oils and Gas eased 0.3 per cent to 189.3 from 189.9.

The Preferred stock index registered the first increase in four months as it edged up 0.3 per cent to 75.6 from 75.4.

#### NOTE ON RECENTLY PUBLISHED U.S. INDUSTRY PRICE INDEXES

Beginning in early 1967 the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics commenced publication of monthly industry-sector price indexes similar in concept to the Canadian industrial selling price indexes. In both countries the indexes relate principally to the manufacturing industry (eight indexes for the mining industry are published in the U.S.) and are composite indexes, derived from commodity price series combined to represent price movements of the shipments of specified industries. The indexes relate only to the output of domestic industries and do not include imported commodities except to the extent that they are embodied in domestically manufactured products.

The objectives of the development of industry selling price indexes in the U.S. parallel those advanced by D.B.S. at the time of the introduction of the Canadian series in 1961. The indexes are more relevant than any price series previously available to studies of growth, productivity, employment and other analytical studies where the emphasis is on industrial structure as distinct from commodity markets; they also form part of an overall integrated framework of industry input and output price statistics, the development of which is the long run objective of both D.B.S. and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Direct or precise comparisons between the new U.S. and the Canadian price data are severely handicapped at this stage both by the present coverage of published industry price data and by differences in the industrial classification standards in the two countries; despite these problems however, the data do permit the formation of general impressions of comparative price movements in a few selected industrial groupings.

The Canadian published data from 1956 to date cover approximately one hundred of the one hundred and fifty industries which, at the three digit code level, comprise the total manufacturing industry in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1948. U.S. monthly industry-sector price indexes for the output of 52 selected industries were first published in the January-February 1967 issue of "Wholesale Prices and Price Indexes", U.S. Department of Labor, with monthly indexes beginning in January 1965(1). In April 1967, a further 15 industries were added and 32 additional industries were included in the January 1968 report. The U.S. published material is at the four digit code level and now covers approximately one hundred of the more than four hundred industries which constitute the manufacturing division as classified in the U.S. Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1967.

It will be apparent from the above that within the broad manufacturing division the U.S. have chosen to publish price indexes in considerably finer industrial detail than in Canada. Although the major groupings such as food and beverages, tobacco and tobacco products, textile mill products, etc., are very similar, below this level of detail and at the selected published level of detail, the scope of the economic activity covered by the U.S. classification is more restricted and consequently the number of industries is greatly expanded, (as noted above, approximately 450 as opposed to 150 in the Canadian series). The degree of comparability will be improved to some extent when the Canadian Industry Selling Price Indexes are published on the 1960 Standard Industrial Classification, later this year.

(1) For a brief description of the U.S. series including classification, sample, prices and weights see January 1968 "Wholesale Price and Price Indexes", p. 38 published by U.S. Department of Labor. For a more detailed description and the long-run scope of the programme, see "Handbook of Methods for Surveys and Studies" (BLS Bulletin 1458) Chapter 12.

The intention of this note is to make readers aware of what is essentially a new range of U.S. price indexes. However, having said this, and having qualified any comparisons by warning readers of the dissimilarities between Canadian and U.S. data, the attached chart has been drawn up to indicate the general nature of comparisons which are possible and the sort of observations which appear permissible.

The coverage of U.S. industry by the indexes is concentrated for the most part in, i) Food and kindred products, ii) Tobacco, iii) Men's wearing apparel, iv) Chemicals and allied products, v) Stone, clay, glass and concrete products, vi) Electrical machinery, equipment and supplies, vii) Primary metal industries, viii) Fabricated metal products, and ix) Machinery, except electrical. About eighty of the published indexes appear in the above major industry groupings and the examples in the chart are drawn largely from these industry groups.

Similarity in the U.S. and Canadian price movements from March 1967 to March 1968, both in size and direction, were apparent in the men's clothing industry, leather belting, tobacco, hydraulic cement, clay products, concrete products, gypsum products and wooden office furniture industries, where price increases were recorded in both countries. In the iron and steel industries covered by indexes, U.S. prices increased more than did Canadian prices for similar industries. Price declines recorded in both countries in the leather tanning industry were more marked in Canada. Industries in which some noticeable differences in the direction of price movement occurred included the meat slaughtering industry, when Canadian prices were significantly below those of the previous year while U.S. prices had risen; some divergence also occurred in heavy electrical equipment where Canadian prices for the heavy electrical machinery industry declined and U.S. prices for the transformer and switchgear and switchboard industries rose. Small year-to-year increases were registered in the fertilizer and petroleum refining industries in Canada whereas declines in the indexes were recorded in similar industries in the U.S.

The scope and comparability of the presently published series for the two countries severely limits any analysis that can be undertaken, but this data weakness will to some extent be overcome as coverage in the U.S. series is expanded and as the Canadian series is converted to the Canadian Standard Industrial Classification (1960).

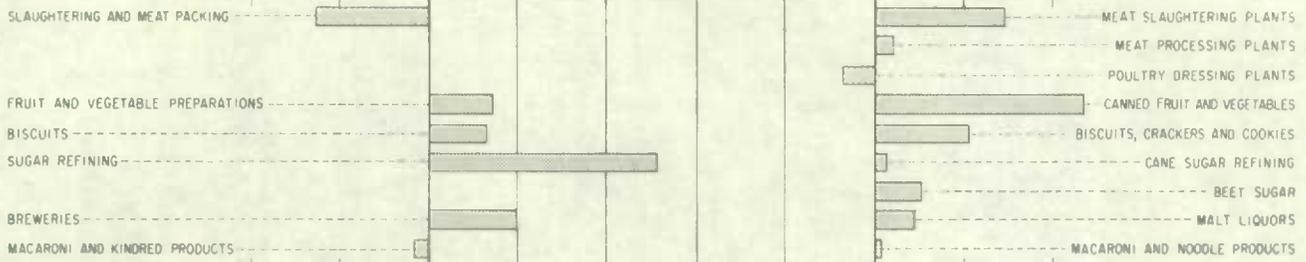
# SELECTED INDUSTRIES PERCENTAGE PRICE CHANGES MARCH 1967 TO MARCH 1968

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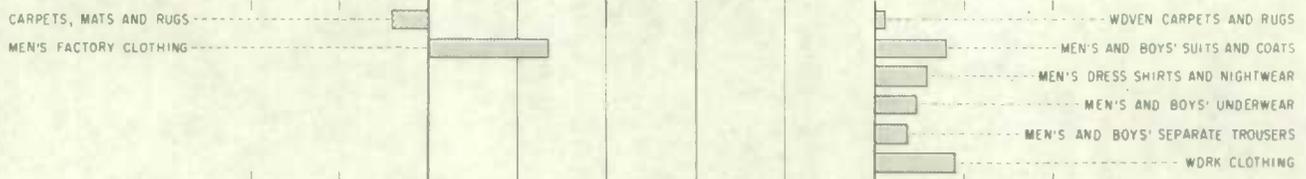
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UNITED STATES

## FOOD AND BEVERAGES



## TEXTILES



## CHEMICALS



## PETROLEUM AND COAL



## LEATHER



## TOBACCO AND PRODUCTS



## DURABLES WOOD PRODUCTS



## NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS



## IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS



## ELECTRICAL APPARATUS AND SUPPLIES



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TABLE 1. Summary of Current Price Indexes

	Indexes				Percentage changes		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	May 1968 April 1968	May 1967 April 1967	May 1968 May 1967
<b>Wholesale price indexes:</b>							
Industry selling price indexes (1956=100) (See textual table page vi)							
General wholesale index (1935-39=100):(1) ...	268.7	267.2	263.6	262.7	+ 0.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
Vegetable products .....	229.0	228.0	233.2	231.5	+ 0.4	+ 0.7	- 1.8
Animal products .....	289.3	285.1	293.2	289.2	+ 1.5	+ 1.4	- 1.3
Textile products .....	255.4	254.6	252.9	252.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 1.0
Wood products .....	364.0	362.5	344.3	344.4	+ 0.4	(2)	+ 5.7
Iron products .....	276.6	276.6 <sup>r</sup>	273.7	273.4	-	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Non-ferrous metals .....	257.8	255.6	235.9	236.6	+ 0.9	- 0.3	+ 9.3
Non-metallic minerals .....	206.1	205.6	198.7	199.4	+ 0.2	- 0.4	+ 3.7
Chemical products .....	214.3	215.1 <sup>r</sup>	208.7	209.2	- 0.4	- 0.2	+ 2.7
<b>Canadian farm products (1935-39=100):(3) .....</b>							
Eastern total .....	255.5	249.0	266.6	262.1	+ 2.6	+ 1.7	(3)
Western total .....	273.4	264.1	276.2	269.6	+ 3.5	+ 2.4	- 1.0
Field .....	237.6	233.9	257.1	254.5	+ 1.6	+ 1.0	(3)
Animal .....	188.7	184.2	205.4	204.2	+ 2.4	+ 0.6	(3)
	322.2	313.8	327.8	319.9	+ 2.7	+ 2.5	- 1.7
<b>Selected price indexes:(1)</b>							
Thirty industrial materials (1935-39=100) ...	252.0	251.2	254.7	252.5	+ 0.3	+ 0.9	- 1.1
Residential building materials (1949=100) ...	166.2	166.4	158.4	157.8	- 0.1	+ 0.4	+ 4.9
Non-residential building materials (1949=100)	157.9	157.6	154.0	154.3	+ 0.2	- 0.2	+ 2.5
<b>Consumer price indexes (1949=100):</b>							
All-items index .....	154.2	154.1	148.1	147.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 4.1
Food .....	148.9	149.8	143.7	144.0	- 0.6	- 0.2	+ 3.6
Housing .....	157.1	156.6	150.5	150.1	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 4.4
Clothing .....	135.8	136.3	131.9	131.9	- 0.4	-	+ 3.0
Transportation .....	161.0	160.8	157.2	157.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 2.4
Health and personal care .....	197.8	197.0	191.0	190.0	+ 0.4	+ 0.5	+ 3.6
Recreation and reading .....	174.2	172.1	166.6	164.2	+ 1.2	+ 1.5	+ 4.6
Tobacco and alcohol .....	141.1	140.9	127.9	127.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 10.3
<b>Security price indexes (1956=100):</b>							
Total investors index .....	171.2	169.1	175.3	174.8	+ 1.2	+ 0.3	- 2.3
Total industrials .....	181.0	178.8	181.6	180.4	+ 1.2	+ 0.7	- 0.3
Industrial mines .....	208.2	210.8	188.5	187.5	- 1.2	+ 0.5	+ 10.5
Foods .....	191.4	180.2	219.1	215.8	+ 6.2	+ 1.5	- 12.6
Beverages .....	259.0	251.3	240.6	238.4	+ 3.1	+ 0.9	+ 7.6
Textiles and clothing .....	142.4	130.1	218.2	243.7	+ 9.5	- 10.5	- 34.7
Pulp and paper .....	93.6	97.0	141.0	147.6	- 3.5	- 4.5	- 33.6
Printing and publishing .....	688.7	682.5	637.3	581.0	+ 0.9	+ 9.7	+ 8.1
Primary metals .....	87.6	87.4	116.0	115.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	- 24.5
Metal fabricating .....	115.3	104.2	117.2	117.8	+ 10.7	- 0.5	- 1.6
Non-metallic minerals .....	95.5	88.8	145.0	138.7	+ 7.5	+ 4.5	- 34.1
Petroleum .....	163.3	160.4	147.4	147.0	+ 1.8	+ 0.3	+ 10.8
Chemicals .....	105.9	100.4	141.9	151.0	+ 5.5	- 6.0	- 25.4
Construction .....	71.3	66.2	68.2	65.8	+ 7.7	+ 3.6	+ 4.5
Retail trade .....	284.0	277.1	244.9	247.6	+ 2.5	- 1.1	+ 16.0
Total utilities .....	154.0	154.1	168.5	170.6	- 0.1	- 1.2	- 8.6
Pipeline .....	167.6	164.0	181.0	180.5	+ 2.2	+ 0.3	- 7.4
Transportation .....	176.7	171.0	220.4	221.1	+ 3.3	- 0.3	- 19.8
Telephone .....	101.5	104.7	121.6	120.6	- 3.1	+ 0.8	- 16.5
Electric power .....	120.0	121.9	137.7	143.0	- 1.6	- 3.7	- 12.9
Gas distribution .....	374.7	374.0	318.6	333.4	+ 0.2	- 4.4	+ 17.6
Total finance .....	145.9	141.7	152.6	152.6	+ 3.0	-	- 4.4
Banks .....	154.6	150.6	150.7	151.1	+ 2.7	- 0.3	+ 2.6
Investment and loan .....	128.6	124.2	155.6	155.2	+ 3.5	+ 0.3	- 17.4
<b>Mining stocks:</b>							
General index .....	107.3	102.4	98.9	99.9	+ 4.8	- 1.0	+ 8.5
Gold .....	158.1	149.4	126.4	122.8	+ 5.8	+ 2.9	+ 25.1
Base metals .....	79.5	76.7	83.9	87.4	+ 3.7	- 4.0	- 5.2
<b>Supplementary indexes:</b>							
Uranium .....	255.7	251.3	243.1	222.1	+ 1.8	+ 9.5	+ 5.2
Primary oils and gas .....	189.3	189.9	159.8	165.9	- 0.3	- 3.7	+ 18.5

(1) Indexes for 1968 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 1967 are subject to revision. See notes page 40 for details of Western grain prices.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
<b>Foods and beverages industries:</b>							
Slaughtering and meat packing industry .....	126.5	123.2	129.8	127.7	130.6	136.5	120.8
Bacon and sides .....	109.5	104.7	120.9	119.5	119.9	144.7	132.4
Beef, fresh or frozen .....	146.2	141.6	143.3	143.2	148.7	137.7	120.3
Hams, cured .....	112.8	113.0	115.6	115.0	117.4	131.6	116.0
Lard .....	93.9	94.4	110.6	112.8	110.0	133.4	123.1
Margarine .....	95.4	95.4	96.4	97.7	96.2	99.2	97.5
Mutton and lamb, fresh or frozen .....	192.3	170.3	159.5	133.2	134.8	133.8	126.8
Pork, fresh or frozen .....	113.2	107.0	122.0	113.5	119.1	134.0	121.2
Poultry, fresh or frozen .....	80.3	78.6	82.0	82.0	81.9	90.2	78.7
Sausage, fresh .....	124.9	125.7	131.0	131.3	130.2	145.3	129.1
Veal, fresh or frozen .....	162.8	166.2	162.5	162.8	162.8	150.1	126.9
Wieners and bologna .....	143.2	143.0	147.0	148.2	149.5	154.5	136.2
Butter and cheese factories industry .....	126.6	126.7	125.0	123.2	124.0	117.0	108.4
Butter .....	110.8	110.8	110.9	110.9	110.1	103.2	94.5
Milk, whole, fresh .....	150.7	150.7	145.5	142.1	143.8	135.2	124.9
Concentrated milk products industry .....	131.2	131.2	132.6	132.1	130.9	122.4	115.0
Milk, whole, evaporated .....	126.3	126.3	128.0	126.9	126.7	120.2	115.9
Milk, whole, powder, spray process .....	121.0	121.0	120.5	120.5	119.5	114.7	112.4
Milk, skim, powder, spray process .....	155.7	155.7	157.4	158.7	154.2	135.3	118.8
Cheese, processed, industry .....	132.7	131.1	125.1	123.1	125.0	117.7	112.6
Dairy products, other, industry .....	108.3	106.6	106.4	106.4	106.4	107.0	105.5
Fish processing industry .....	161.1	163.5	156.0	160.6	160.6	156.2	148.2
Cod, fillets, frozen .....	154.7	154.7	151.0	151.0	149.0	148.2	125.8
Salmon, canned, sockeye .....	132.9	132.9	132.9	132.9	132.9	133.8	130.3
Fruit and vegetable preparations industry ..	119.0	118.5	114.2	116.2	117.4	115.1	111.9
Jams .....	115.3	116.3	106.9	115.3	116.8	116.0	118.8
Corn, creamed, whole grain, canned .....	138.6	137.2	125.2	124.7	126.7	121.0	118.9
Peaches, canned .....	152.0	152.0	139.5	137.8	141.7	138.0	126.5
Peas, canned .....	132.0	132.0	117.8	117.8	121.7	112.3	109.3
Soups, canned .....	101.8	105.0	100.8	104.3	103.7	101.6	98.3
Tomato juice, canned .....	126.3	118.0	122.3	122.3	125.0	123.0	121.1
Feed mills industry .....	114.6	115.3	117.7	118.5	117.0	117.3	112.8
Feeds, dairy and cattle .....	111.0	112.1	114.0	113.8	113.8	112.0	107.7
Feeds, poultry, laying and hatching .....	113.6	114.7	120.1	121.7	118.4	119.7	115.6

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Foods and beverages industries - Concluded:							
Flour mills industry .....	122.1	120.9	131.4	130.0	129.0	123.1	121.9
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 2 patent .....	124.8	122.1	131.6	129.7	128.2	125.1	118.8
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 3 patent .....	120.4	119.4	127.7	127.2	126.3	118.0	122.9
Wheat flour, Ontario winter .....	115.4	115.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	113.9	118.4
Shorts and middlings .....	109.7	109.2	136.0	131.5	131.7	124.8	115.4
Breakfast foods industry .....	135.7	135.7	135.7	135.7	135.7	129.8	128.5
Biscuits industry .....	128.0	128.0	124.7	122.4	125.4	120.8	119.6
Bread and other bakery products industry ...	140.2	140.2	135.8	135.6	136.3	134.9	131.6
Bread .....	148.8	148.8	142.6	142.6	143.6	140.2	134.8
Pies, cakes, cookies and pastries .....	119.7	119.7	121.5	120.8	120.1	123.3	124.1
Rolls and buns, plain .....	140.6	140.6	135.4	135.4	136.3	137.0	134.7
Carbonated beverages industry .....	134.9	134.9	128.6	128.6	130.7	127.4	125.5
Distilled liquors industry .....	117.3	117.3	113.7	113.7	113.6	113.5	113.3
Breweries industry .....	117.1	116.6 <sup>r</sup>	112.1	112.1	112.0	109.4	109.4
Beer in small bottles .....	113.3	112.7 <sup>r</sup>	109.3	109.3	109.2	108.3	108.3
Wines industry .....	104.3	104.3	96.8	96.8	100.3	96.6	96.8
Confectionery industry .....	126.4	126.1	122.8	122.7	122.8	120.0	121.7
Chewing gum .....	103.2	103.2	101.0	101.1	101.0	100.0	101.3
Chocolate bars .....	116.3	115.9	112.3	113.9	112.9	113.9	116.0
Chocolate, in packages .....	139.4	138.5	137.8	134.8	137.1	130.3	130.9
Sugar confectionery, in bulk .....	143.5	143.5	138.0	138.0	137.8	133.6	136.4
Sugar refining industry .....	89.8	89.1	100.6	90.2	90.7	87.2	92.1
Sugar, granulated, cane and beet .....	90.0	89.3	100.7	90.1	90.8	87.2	92.1
Sugar, yellow or brown, cane and beet ...	87.4	86.5	99.2	89.3	89.2	86.2	91.3
Sugar, icing, cane and beet .....	91.2	89.9	101.7	92.5	91.0	88.4	94.0
Miscellaneous food preparations industry ...	91.2	90.7	92.5	92.4	91.6	94.2	93.5
Coffee, roasted .....	75.7	75.7	74.6	74.0	75.0	78.2	77.5
Jelly powders .....	118.8	118.8	120.4	123.8	118.5	117.2	114.7
Tea, blended, packaged .....	97.0	97.0	100.7	100.7	97.9	99.6	100.4
Macaroni and kindred products industry .....	142.5	142.5	141.7	141.7	141.4	135.2	132.4

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Tobacco and tobacco products industries:							
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes industry ....	120.5	120.5	118.4	118.4	117.6	109.6	105.8
Tobacco, smoking, fine cut .....	120.7	120.7	117.1	117.1	116.3	110.3	109.2
Cigarettes .....	121.3	121.3	119.9	119.9	118.9	108.9	105.4
Rubber products industries:							
Rubber goods, including footwear, industry	99.6	98.7	99.0	98.9	99.0	96.6	94.0
Tires, balloon, bus and truck .....	94.6	94.2	95.9	95.9	95.7	93.0	88.8
Tires, balloon, passenger cars, standard	93.4	92.8	93.3	93.3	93.6	91.0	89.4
Hose, fire, garden, etc. ....	118.5	118.5	114.0	111.0	114.3	109.5	103.2
Leather products industries:							
Footwear, leather industry .....	127.9	127.7	126.1	126.1	126.0	122.9	114.8
Men's goodyear welts .....	143.4	143.4	136.1	136.1	136.1	132.2	118.3
Misses' vulcanized and stitchdowns .....	114.4	114.4	117.0	117.0	117.0	116.4	111.3
Children's and little gents' vulcanized and stitchdowns .....	130.6	130.6	131.5	131.5	131.5	128.8	117.8
Gloves and mittens, leather, industry .....	129.2	129.2	132.5	132.5	132.3	127.0	112.3
Gloves and mittens, dress, men's lined ...	116.0	116.0	114.5	114.5	114.5	109.7	106.3
Gloves and mittens, work, men's unlined ..	137.5	137.5	143.8	143.8	143.5	137.8	116.1
Leather tanning industry .....	128.9	128.5	134.1	136.2	132.2	145.6	123.0
Upper leather, cattle hides .....	127.6	126.6	131.0	131.3	128.4	142.7	120.4
Upper leather, chrome splits .....	119.9	119.9	139.6	139.6	135.8	141.3	118.8
Sole leather, bends .....	137.5	137.5	146.4	157.1	148.3	162.3	135.0
Sole leather, shoulders .....	116.0	116.0	130.2	133.0	127.0	147.9	130.3
Belting, leather, industry .....	113.2	113.2	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4
Textile mills industries:							
Cotton thread industry .....	142.4	142.4	138.9	138.9	137.8	132.0	129.4
Cotton yarn and cloth industry .....	105.1	104.2	104.3	104.7	104.1	101.6	100.1
Cotton fabrics, grey .....	111.0	109.9	110.0	110.9	109.8	107.2	105.2
Yarn, spun cotton, grey, knitting .....	101.0	101.0	102.4	102.4	102.2	101.3	99.4
Woollen cloth industry .....	125.8	125.8	123.8	123.8	123.8	120.9	120.2
Woven fabrics, all wool, worsted .....	109.7	109.7	108.7	108.7	108.6	107.8	106.0

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Textile mills industries - Concluded:							
Woollen yarn industry .....	103.7	103.7	104.3	104.3	104.3	105.3	105.3
Yarns, worsted, oil spun, machine knitting	107.2	107.2	109.4	109.4	109.2	112.4	112.0
Miscellaneous woollen goods industry .....	106.0	106.0	106.0	106.0	106.0	102.0	99.9
Synthetic textiles and silk industry .....	96.6	96.6	96.3	96.1	96.4	96.8	98.4
Carpets, mats and rugs industry .....	94.8	94.8	97.3	97.3	97.3	98.2	98.3
Carpets, wilton in rolls .....	100.0	100.0	104.9	104.9	104.9	105.4	105.1
Carpets, tufted .....	89.6	89.6	89.6	89.6	89.6	91.0	91.5
Cordage, rope and twine industry .....	114.0	112.2	116.4	116.4	115.3	118.2	126.1
Twine, all sisal .....	119.0	119.0	137.7	137.7	132.1	137.7	137.9
Bags, cotton and jute, industry .....	119.1	119.1	124.4	124.4	123.5	129.1	119.5
Bags, cotton .....	109.0	109.0	109.0	109.0	109.0	111.0	108.6
Bags, jute .....	128.2	128.2	138.1	138.1	136.5	145.2	129.3
Oilcloth, linoleum and other coated fabrics industry .....	116.2	116.2	114.5	114.5	114.3	113.3	112.5
Clothing and knitting mills industries:							
Clothing, men's factory, industry .....	129.2	129.2	122.5	122.5	122.5	117.6	113.8
Jackets, separate, civilian .....	163.7	163.7	152.1	152.1	152.6	143.4	130.2
Shirts, cotton, fine .....	109.8	109.8	108.3	108.3	108.3	106.7	103.1
Shirts, cotton, work .....	111.5	111.5	109.3	109.3	109.5	103.7	102.4
Pyjamas .....	114.6	114.6	110.0	110.0	110.1	107.6	108.0
Hosiery industry .....	88.5	88.5	88.7	88.7	88.6	86.0	85.8
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, fine .....	94.1	94.1	94.1	94.1	93.3	88.6	88.6
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, work .....	113.8	113.8	112.8	112.8	112.5	109.6	107.4
Other knitted goods industry .....	89.0	89.0	87.6	87.6	87.6	85.2	85.0
Knitted goods, infants', all kinds .....	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	109.5
Linings, glove and shoe .....	..	..	117.2	117.2	117.2	111.2	106.9

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 7. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Clothing and knitting mills industries - Concluded:							
Hats and caps industry .....	125.4	125.4	121.1	115.4	120.7	114.2	107.6
Wood products industries:							
Veneers and plywoods industry .....	103.1	102.3 <sup>r</sup>	97.7	95.3	98.0	95.4	93.0
Veneer, yellow birch .....	94.8	94.9	96.4	96.4	96.3	93.2	90.2
Plywood, Douglas fir .....	107.3	105.9 <sup>r</sup>	97.4	93.1	97.9	94.4	93.4
Plywood, yellow birch .....	99.6	99.6	98.9	98.9	99.3	97.9	94.7
Doors, veneer and plywood, slab-type .....	101.2	101.2	99.8	99.8	99.8	..	93.4
Sash, door and planing mills industry .....	127.0	127.5	121.6	120.9	122.3	115.8	107.7
Sash and doors .....	143.0	144.6	140.1	138.5	140.2	133.3	126.6
Lumber, matched .....	138.6	137.8	130.8	129.1	131.2	123.7	115.8
Lumber, planed .....	109.8	109.8	103.4	103.5	104.8	98.7	90.2
Mouldings .....	154.2	154.2	144.9	144.9	145.4	139.0	124.3
Flooring, hardwood, industry .....	124.1	124.1	115.9	115.9	119.4	111.4	100.3
Flooring, birch .....	130.1	130.1	117.6	117.6	123.1	111.9	99.6
Flooring, red oak .....	118.0	118.0	114.3	114.3	115.6	110.8	101.9
Lumber mills industry .....	124.6	124.6 <sup>r</sup>	109.3	109.1	110.1	107.0	103.0
Pine, white .....	114.1	114.6	113.2	113.2	113.2	111.2	107.8
Pine, jack and lodge-pole .....	108.0	106.7	99.8	99.8	103.1	96.3	90.3
Birch, yellow .....	120.6	120.6 <sup>r</sup>	118.0	118.0	117.9	115.7	110.3
Maple, hard .....	119.5	119.6	118.0	118.0	116.9	107.2	97.5
Cedar .....	163.7	158.9 <sup>r</sup>	138.6	139.9	141.3	135.7	129.2
Spruce .....	111.5	111.4 <sup>r</sup>	98.7	98.3	99.8	98.2	94.9
Spruce, B.C. interior .....	109.2	110.3 <sup>r</sup>	90.5	89.9	92.1	91.5	89.2
Spruce, East of Rockies .....	113.8	112.6	106.9	106.9	107.7	104.8	100.6
Hemlock, B.C. coast .....	128.1	127.8	110.7	110.2	109.5	104.8	99.6
Fir, Douglas .....	133.6	135.3	110.6	109.9	111.4	108.8	106.1
Fir, Douglas, B.C. interior .....	..	..	..	..	..	112.5	110.8
Fir, Douglas, B.C. coast .....	124.5	124.5	107.1	105.9	105.4	106.2	102.8
Shingle mills industry .....	158.1	154.8	108.7	108.0	118.1	115.9	122.8
Furniture industry .....	117.9	117.9	115.9	115.5	116.0	112.9	109.8
Bedroom furniture, wooden, not upholstered .....	..	..	114.6	114.1	115.1	110.9	109.3
Living room furniture, upholstered .....	126.2	126.2	121.8	121.8	122.0	118.8	114.9
Office furnishings and fixtures, wooden ..	141.5	141.5	137.4	135.5	136.8	132.8	129.4
Office and store furnishings and fixtures, metal .....	123.2	123.2	122.5	121.0	122.1	120.2	114.1
Mattresses, spring filled .....	101.3	101.3	99.1	99.1	99.1	96.7	96.0
Boxes and baskets, wood, industry .....	140.5	140.5	133.7	132.4	133.2	124.1	119.9

.. Figures not available.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

TABLE 1. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
<b>Paper products industries:</b>							
Boxes and bags, paper, industry .....	116.7	116.7	115.0	115.0	114.8	110.8	106.6
Boxes, folding .....	116.6	116.6	116.3	116.3	116.0	111.7	105.5
Boxes, corrugated, including wrappers ....	114.8	114.8	114.9	114.9	114.5	108.9	104.6
Bags, self-opening, square .....	111.8	111.8	111.0	111.0	111.0	107.9	104.9
Pulp mills industry .....	102.4	102.6	103.4	103.4	103.2	102.6	102.7
Sulphite, bleached, paper grade, domestic market .....	92.4	92.4	93.9	93.9	93.8	94.0	94.0
Groundwood pulp, export market .....	104.5	105.0	104.9	104.8	105.1	105.0	100.6
Sulphate, bleached, export market .....	103.0	103.2	106.0	106.0	105.9	104.5	106.3
Paper mills industry .....	113.6	113.7	112.0	112.0	112.8	109.5	107.6
Paper, book .....	131.7	131.7	131.9	131.9	131.8	123.8	116.4
Paper, fine .....	126.2	126.2	128.9	128.9	128.3	121.9	116.6
Box board, for folding cartons .....	108.9	108.9	109.1	109.1	109.0	107.7	107.0
Building board .....	100.3	100.3	97.5	97.5	99.2	98.3	98.1
Paper, newsprint, white, in rolls .....	113.7	113.9	111.7	111.7	112.7	109.3	107.8
Paper, wrapping, Kraft No. 1 .....	117.1	117.1	116.8	116.8	116.7	114.6	108.1
Roofing paper industry .....	86.8	86.8	80.2	80.2	82.4	78.6	81.6
Roll roofing, smooth surfaced .....	93.0	93.0	85.0	85.0	87.8	81.0	81.1
Roll roofing, felt, mineral surfaced ....	89.5	89.5	81.0	81.0	83.9	76.5	75.9
Felts, tar and asphalt saturated .....	77.5	77.5	74.5	74.5	75.2	69.5	72.8
Shingles, felt, asphalt saturated, rag and asbestos .....	75.8	75.8	67.4	67.4	69.5	64.5	64.0
Miscellaneous paper goods industry .....	117.4	117.4	113.1	113.2	114.0	109.7	106.0
Envelopes .....	122.2	122.2	117.1	117.1	117.9	111.1	106.9
Paper, toilet, packaged .....	116.8	116.8	109.8	111.1	111.6	106.5	103.8
Paper, waxed, including bread wrappers ...	115.9	115.9	110.4	110.4	111.1	107.5	103.6
Tissues, facial .....	105.6	105.6	102.3	102.3	102.8	100.9	97.5
<b>Iron and steel products industries:</b>							
Agricultural implements industry .....	127.4	127.4	123.3	123.3	123.5	121.5	117.4
Drills, grain and fertilizer, combination Harrow-ploughs, one-way discs, tiller combines .....	139.7	139.7	134.5	134.5	135.1	132.2	128.4
Combines, reaper-threshers and stationary threshers .....	126.3	126.3	123.6	123.6	123.8	124.4	121.2
Swathers or windrowers .....	126.6	126.6	122.1	122.1	122.2	119.8	115.4
	119.0	119.0	120.9	120.9	121.0	122.7	119.0

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
<b>Iron and steel products industries-</b>							
<b>Concluded:</b>							
Hardware, tools and cutlery industry .....	132.4	132.6	129.5	129.9	129.1	124.7	120.2
Heating and cooking apparatus industry .....	96.4	96.1	93.2	93.7	93.7	92.2	93.5
Furnaces, oil, gravity or forced air circulation .....	90.5	89.8	90.6	92.7	92.6	92.4	92.9
Stoves and ranges, cooking, gas .....	100.7	100.7	97.0	97.0	97.1	96.8	96.3
Machinery, household, office and store, industry .....	103.1	103.2	101.6	101.3	101.4	100.1	99.9
Castings, iron, industry .....	118.3	118.2	116.9	116.9	117.5	113.8	110.6
Soil pipe and fittings, cast iron .....	119.6	119.6	117.8	117.8	117.6	112.8	108.2
Pipe fittings, malleable iron, all kinds .....	129.1	129.1	135.7	135.7	130.6	133.7	126.4
Castings, grey iron, commercial .....	127.0	127.1	119.0	119.0	121.6	119.1	116.4
Steel pipe and tubing .....	92.3	92.3	99.6	99.6	99.4	99.6	98.2
Pig iron industry .....	102.9	102.9 <sup>F</sup>	105.0	103.4	104.3	104.3	104.4
Steel ingots and castings industry .....	128.2	128.2	128.2	128.2	128.0	122.4	122.4
Rolled iron and steel products industry ....	111.0	111.0	111.4	111.6	111.2	109.4	108.6
Hot-rolled products, bars, all grades excluding concrete reinforcing bars ....	104.0	104.3	104.3	103.9	104.2	105.3	104.3
Sheets, cold-rolled, reducing mill production .....	117.1	117.1	116.7	116.7	116.4	112.0	111.7
Wire and wire goods industry .....	112.3	112.3	111.5	111.5	111.4	110.6	109.6
Nails, wire, iron and steel .....	99.1	99.1	98.0	98.0	98.4	104.2	105.1
Woven wire, farm fence, steel .....	116.5	116.5	114.0	114.0	113.8	111.1	109.2
Wire cloth, Fourdrinier .....	119.0	119.0	115.6	115.6	115.8	113.6	104.8
Rope, steel wire .....	109.0	109.0	108.4	108.4	107.0	103.0	103.5
Wire, plain .....	126.6	126.6	127.0	127.0	126.3	123.8	122.2
<b>Transportation equipment industries:</b>							
Boatbuilding industry .....	135.3	135.3	139.0	139.0	137.6	122.8	130.3
Motor vehicles industry .....	120.7	120.7	117.5	117.5	118.2	118.1	119.0
Passenger cars, hard-top .....	121.6	121.6	119.8	119.8	120.3	120.6	121.0
Passenger cars, 4-door sedan .....	120.7	120.7	117.3	117.3	118.2	117.8	119.2
Trucks, 5,000 lbs. or less, gross vehicle weight .....	119.1	119.1	115.8	115.8	116.5	116.6	116.0
Trucks, 5,001-10,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight .....	119.7	119.7	116.5	116.5	117.1	117.9	117.9

<sup>F</sup> Revised figures.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Transportation equipment industries - Concluded:							
Motor vehicles parts industry .....	114.1	114.2	113.9	113.9	113.5	110.6	110.2
Non-ferrous metal products industries:							
Aluminum products industry .....	113.3	113.4	112.8	112.8	112.8	111.7	110.6
Sheets .....	112.0	112.0	112.0	112.0	112.3	115.1	115.8
Utensils, cooking .....	155.5	155.5	150.4	150.4	149.7	142.7	135.4
Brass and copper products industry .....	128.7	128.4	119.8	120.0	120.7	115.7	100.8
Ingots, brass and bronze .....	135.7	141.3	129.2	132.5	133.8	138.6	116.9
Faucets and combinations, sink, bath and lavatory .....	144.9	145.1	133.1	133.1	133.1	131.6	118.8
Jewellery and silverware industry .....	194.1	185.8	143.5	143.5	157.6	138.6	133.2
Gold alloys .....	133.4	130.4	113.8	113.8	116.8	112.4	111.6
Flatware and cutlery, silver-plated .....	140.8	140.8	119.5	119.5	125.2	114.2	107.3
Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining industry .....	124.7	124.1	118.1	118.2	119.2	114.9	112.9
White metal alloys industry .....	118.2	118.8	115.9	116.4	116.6	120.1	118.7
Lead, antimonial .....	99.1	99.6	95.7	95.7	96.3	102.2	104.7
Solders .....	133.4	133.4	134.6	134.9	134.8	142.1	149.9
Type and type metals .....	121.2	116.0	112.1	112.1	112.4	115.1	113.4
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries:							
Batteries industry .....	114.2	114.2	115.3	115.3	114.5	107.7	104.8
Batteries, storage, automotive .....	98.0	98.0	98.7	98.7	98.0	93.6	89.9
Batteries, drycell, radio, non-portable ..	118.3	118.3	118.6	118.6	117.7	111.4	110.0
Batteries, drycell, flashlight .....	168.0	168.0	168.5	168.5	166.4	150.6	146.9
Machinery, heavy electrical, industry(1) ...	91.7	92.6	96.4	96.9	95.4	93.8	91.2
Industrial control equipment(1) .....	96.9	97.1	104.2	103.6	102.8	101.2	96.2
Motors a-c .....	88.4	88.4	90.5	90.0	89.9	88.4	89.0
Motors d-c .....	115.8	115.8	119.5	118.0	118.6	116.4	116.5
Transformers(1) .....	88.8	90.0	95.2	97.4	94.1	91.1	87.1
Radio and television sets and parts industry .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Television sets, table model, including portable 18" to 23" .....	80.4	80.3	81.8	81.8	81.8	80.2	81.1
Television sets, console model, 18" to 23"	78.9	78.9	77.4	77.5	77.2	77.9	79.5

(1) From January 1968, this series may reflect some element of changes in the basket of goods being priced as well as price changes.

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 1. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued  
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries - Concluded:							
Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and appliances industry .....	78.8	78.8	78.6	78.3	78.6	78.2	79.0
Stoves or ranges, cooking, domestic, over 35 amps. ....	83.3	83.3	83.3	83.3	83.9	84.0	83.2
Irons, automatic, flat .....	91.2	91.2	90.2	90.2	89.2	88.7	87.3
Washing machines, electric, domestic, automatic type .....	94.5	94.5	95.2	95.0	95.0	93.9	93.1
Refrigerators, household .....	70.9	70.9	70.8	70.2	70.6	69.1	70.5
Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and supplies industry .....	111.1	111.3	109.7	108.2	109.1	103.1	98.7
Lamps, incandescent, standard .....	151.5	151.5	147.4	144.4	146.9	140.8	131.8
Lamps, fluorescent .....	116.0	116.0	111.2	111.2	111.0	110.8	110.0
Lighting fixtures, fluorescent, commercial	106.4	106.4	106.2	106.2	105.9	99.5	101.3
Wires and cables industry .....	119.9	122.7	118.0	118.7	117.8	113.9	99.7
Conductors, un-insulated:							
Copper, copperweld, including trolley wires .....	125.1	125.1	120.1	120.1	120.3	111.4	101.7
Conductors, insulated:							
Weatherproof wires, all types .....	122.3	122.3	116.4	116.4	116.2	108.4	98.0
Rubber-insulated and braided .....	123.3	132.1	127.7	127.7	125.8	119.2	87.6
Magnet wires, enamelled .....	123.8	123.8	118.5	118.5	118.6	113.7	101.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries:							
Abrasives, artificial, industry .....	122.7	122.9	123.1	123.1	123.0	119.4	115.9
Alumina, fused, crude .....	118.6	118.8	120.8	120.8	120.5	117.3	113.2
Silicon carbide, crude .....	116.3	116.6	118.0	118.0	117.6	114.0	113.8
Cement, hydraulic, industry .....	134.0	134.0	128.2	128.2	128.2	121.8	115.4
Clay products from imported clay industry ..	121.3	119.8	117.6	117.6	117.5	115.9	112.1
Glass and glass products industry .....	117.4	117.4	114.2	114.2	114.2	111.9	109.3
Lime industry .....	118.3	116.6	117.6	117.6	117.6	116.1	114.6
Gypsum products industry .....	119.4	119.4	114.3	114.3	114.3	109.2	107.9
Lath, gypsum .....	117.2	117.2	112.4	112.4	112.4	108.9	107.8

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Non-metallic mineral products industries - Concluded:							
Concrete products industry .....	116.3	116.0	114.1	114.1	114.2	110.9	105.5
Blocks, gravel, building .....	109.4	109.5	106.9	106.9	107.0	102.3	100.5
Concrete, ready-mixed .....	129.0	129.0	129.0	129.0	129.0	127.2	117.5
Clay products from domestic clay industry ..	121.6	121.6	119.1	119.1	118.7	114.3	111.0
Brick, dry press, face .....	106.4	106.4	103.3	103.3	103.0	101.9	98.7
Tile, structural, hollow blocks .....	134.4	134.4	131.9	131.9	130.9	122.4	117.1
Products of petroleum and coal industries:							
Coke and gas products industry .....	117.4	117.4	116.2	116.2	116.6	113.3	112.3
Petroleum refining and products industry ...	95.4	95.5	94.6	94.5	94.2	93.5	93.2
Fuel oil, stove, No. 1 .....	104.2	104.2	101.5	101.5	101.3	98.8	98.8
Diesel fuel .....	99.8	99.8	97.6	97.6	97.6	97.5	98.0
Fuel oil, light .....	104.9	104.9	101.2	101.2	100.8	98.3	98.3
Fuel oil, heavy .....	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.4
Lubricating oils and greases industry .....	133.1	133.1 <sup>r</sup>	123.0	123.0	124.8	120.9	118.2
Chemicals and allied products industries:							
Acids, alkalies and salts industry .....	107.4	107.2	106.7	106.4	106.6	103.4	102.5
Chlorine, liquid .....	95.6	95.6	99.0	99.0	99.0	96.9	96.8
Sodium hydroxide (caustic soda) .....	109.0	109.0	104.3	104.3	104.4	102.7	102.5
Fertilizers industry .....	116.0	115.9	112.5	112.7	111.5	108.6	107.5
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations industry .....	107.7	106.8	103.5	104.9	104.4	101.7	98.3
Patent medicines .....	144.4	142.0	130.9	133.1	133.0	131.1	120.7
Ethical preparations for human use .....	108.7	108.3	106.3	108.9	107.7	104.2	102.9
Vitamin preparations .....	85.8	85.6	88.3	88.4	87.5	86.2	86.5
Paints, varnishes and lacquers industry ....	120.0	119.3	113.3	112.5	113.3	108.3	108.4
Lacquers, clear .....	108.5	108.5	101.7	101.7	100.8	103.2	106.3
Enamels, ready-mixed, oil and synthetic ..	120.9	120.7	114.6	114.4	115.1	108.4	108.2
Thinners, lacquer, paint and enamel .....	99.5	99.5	105.0	105.0	103.0	102.6	100.2
Paints, latex emulsion .....	130.8	129.7	118.8	117.8	119.7	114.5	113.0
Paints, ready-mixed, including asphalt and tar paints .....	122.0	120.7	112.6	110.0	112.4	108.1	109.3
Varnishes, including japans, shellacs, and driers .....	117.1	117.1	120.3	120.3	118.2	112.4	108.2

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Chemicals and allied products industries - Concluded:							
Soaps, washing compounds and cleaning preparations industry .....	115.3	116.2	112.9	114.3	115.4	113.1	117.5
Vegetable oils industry .....	104.9	102.2	103.1	104.1	105.6	112.9	106.6
Soya bean oilcake .....	138.6	137.1	133.0	135.6	138.2	151.4	134.9
Linseed oil, raw .....	88.2	78.0	74.0	74.9	80.8	77.1	80.7
Primary plastics industry .....	86.8	86.8	88.2	87.8	87.4	84.6	83.3
Synthetic resins, phenol-formaldehyde type .....	74.5	74.5	78.2	78.8	77.6	78.6	78.8
Inks, printing, industry .....	108.2	108.2	104.1	104.1	104.1	101.3	99.6
Polishes and dressings industry .....	123.2	123.5 <sup>F</sup>	119.2	118.2	119.2	115.5	114.9
Wax, liquid, self-polishing .....	121.7	121.7 <sup>F</sup>	119.6	117.7	117.0	115.2	114.0
Gases, compressed, industry .....	114.4	114.4	110.5	111.1	110.4	110.6	110.8
Adhesives industry .....	109.4	109.4	109.4	108.9	109.2	107.9	107.8
Glue, synthetic resin .....	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	101.4	101.3
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries:							
Typewriter supplies industry .....	109.2	109.2	111.4	109.1	110.3	109.1	108.2
Fountain pens and pencils industry .....	109.0	109.0	107.0	107.0	106.8	105.0	103.0
Clocks, watches and watch cases industry ...	125.2	125.2	123.1	123.1	123.6	120.2	109.3
Buttons, buckles and fasteners industry ....	107.9	107.9	107.9	107.9	108.0	104.9	106.7
Candles industry .....	133.4	133.4	132.6	130.5	131.8	115.1	106.9
Pipes, lighters and smokers' supplies industry .....	97.4	97.4	96.9	96.9	97.2	96.8	95.2

<sup>F</sup> Revised figures.

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

General Wholesale Index and Principal Components

Date	General whole- sale index	Veg- table pro- ducts	Animal pro- ducts	Textile pro- ducts	Wood pro- ducts	Iron pro- ducts	Non- ferrous metals pro- ducts (1)	Non- metallic minerals products	Chemical products
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	315.9	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
1964 .....	245.4	223.3	250.8	248.4	330.9	256.4	205.9	190.9	191.2
1965 .....	250.4	218.4	270.7	246.6	334.0	264.5	217.6	191.6	200.2
1966 .....	259.5	225.9	296.2	251.5	337.8	268.0	229.9	193.7	207.1
1967 .....	264.1	230.9	293.1	252.7	346.3	274.4	240.2	199.2	212.6
1966 - Jan. ....	256.4	220.6	295.4	247.6	331.0	266.5	229.8	193.6	206.1
Feb. ....	259.2	223.7	304.5	250.0	331.5	267.3	230.0	193.8	208.7
Mar. ....	258.6	225.8	296.2	250.5	332.9	267.3	229.8	193.8	208.9
Apr. ....	258.2	226.7	291.0	251.5	334.8	267.6	229.8	192.5	208.6
May ....	258.9	227.0	293.2	252.0	336.0	268.2	229.6	192.5	206.9
June ....	259.8	225.7	296.1	252.2	339.9	268.3	229.3	192.6	209.7
July ....	259.8	226.9	292.2	252.7	342.4	268.5	229.2	193.7	205.5
Aug. ....	260.4	226.4	297.1	251.8	342.7	268.5	229.1	193.6	204.4
Sept. ....	260.7	225.4	299.8	252.3	342.5	269.1	229.0	194.1	204.3
Oct. ....	260.3	226.0	298.6	252.7	340.1	268.6	228.2	194.7	207.5
Nov. ....	260.3	227.3	294.1	252.2	339.6	269.4	232.6	194.9	206.8
Dec. ....	261.2	229.2	296.4	252.5	340.6	268.0	232.6	195.1	207.4
1967 - Jan. ....	261.8	230.7	294.7	250.0	341.3	272.1	232.5	196.9	208.4
Feb. ....	262.9	232.2	294.5	249.9	342.0	273.2	236.5	196.9	210.0
Mar. ....	262.4	231.2	290.6	251.4	343.3	272.9	236.6	198.4	209.3
Apr. ....	262.7	231.5	289.2	252.4	344.4	273.4	236.6	199.4	209.2
May ....	263.6	233.2	293.2	252.9	344.3	273.7	235.9	198.7	208.7
June ....	264.1	233.7	295.1	252.8	343.8	273.3	236.0	198.9	212.4
July ....	263.9	231.2	292.6	252.5	347.0	275.8	235.7	199.4	212.5
Aug. ....	264.8	231.2	294.2	252.2	348.1	275.4	240.0	200.1	214.6
Sept. ....	265.1	228.0	295.3	253.2	349.4	275.8	244.6	199.9	215.5
Oct. ....	265.3	228.2	295.4	253.7	349.5	275.8	245.6	200.2	215.4
Nov. ....	265.3	229.0	290.4	255.0	350.5	275.8	246.7	200.7	218.1
Dec. ....	267.1	230.3	292.4	256.2	352.4	275.4	255.6	200.7	216.5
1968(2) - Jan. ....	266.8	230.8	288.8	257.4	354.9	275.2	254.2	202.3	209.9
Feb. ....	266.9	229.9	286.2	255.9	358.7	276.3	253.0	204.1	213.8
Mar. ....	268.0	230.7	285.8	255.7	360.9	276.5 <sup>r</sup>	258.8	204.5	213.7
Apr. ....	267.2	228.0	285.1	254.6	362.5	276.6 <sup>r</sup>	255.6	205.6	215.1 <sup>r</sup>
May ....	268.7	229.0	289.3	255.4	364.0	276.6	257.8	206.1	214.3
June ....									
July ....									
Aug. ....									
Sept. ....									
Oct. ....									
Nov. ....									
Dec. ....									

(1) Includes gold.

(2) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

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	Non-ferrous metals(4)
1958 .....	233.0	240.8	209.3	238.3	249.0	249.3	245.5
1959 .....	236.0	248.3	210.9	241.6	251.6	251.0	261.2
1960 .....	237.0	250.6	209.6	242.2	253.5	252.6	269.1
1961 .....	239.1	253.3	212.6	244.5	254.4	253.4	270.0
1962 .....	244.8	258.2	223.8	249.0	254.3	253.0	275.8
1963 .....	248.0	260.4	226.9	254.2	253.9	252.3	280.2
1964 .....	252.2	268.3	225.7	256.4	255.8	254.0	294.5
1965 .....	257.2	281.8	231.2	261.3	264.0	261.5	319.6
1966 .....	262.5	293.1	242.7	268.6	269.4	266.2	336.6
1967 .....	269.0	304.5	246.1	274.2	277.2	274.1	343.6
1966 - Jan. ....	259.7	292.2	241.4	264.9	267.7	264.6	334.5
Feb. ....	260.6	292.8	245.7	266.7	268.5	265.4	334.8
Mar. ....	261.1	292.6	242.9	267.4	268.4	265.4	334.5
Apr. ....	261.6	292.8	241.9	267.4	268.7	265.6	334.5
May ....	261.9	293.0	242.9	267.9	269.2	266.0	338.5
June ....	263.1	292.8	242.2	269.6	269.5	266.2	338.4
July ....	263.7	292.9	241.7	269.9	269.5	266.3	337.8
Aug. ....	263.5	292.8	242.0	270.6	269.6	266.4	337.8
Sept. ....	263.7	293.1	241.8	271.3	270.2	267.1	337.2
Oct. ....	263.2	292.1	241.8	270.7	270.1	267.0	337.2
Nov. ....	263.9	295.8	243.2	269.9	271.1	268.0	337.2
Dec. ....	264.0	294.3	244.6	270.4	270.2	267.0	337.2
1967 - Jan. ....	265.0	297.3	244.9	271.4	274.6	271.6	337.7
Feb. ....	266.1	301.0	246.7	271.8	276.0	272.9	341.7
Mar. ....	266.8	300.8	245.0	272.2	275.7	272.6	341.7
Apr. ....	267.5	301.1	244.9	272.5	276.1	273.1	341.7
May ....	267.4	300.7	246.2	273.3	276.1	273.1	341.7
June ....	267.4	300.6	246.1	274.2	275.8	272.7	341.7
July ....	268.7	302.0	244.2	275.0	278.7	275.6	344.4
Aug. ....	269.8	305.1	246.6	275.1	278.3	275.2	344.4
Sept. ....	271.2	308.7	246.3	275.6	278.8	275.7	344.4
Oct. ....	271.5	309.6	246.8	275.7	278.8	275.7	344.4
Nov. ....	272.4	310.3	245.4	276.4	278.8	275.7	344.4
Dec. ....	274.3	316.6	249.8	276.7	279.2	275.7	354.7
1968(5) - Jan. ....	274.6	315.3	249.0	276.7	279.0	275.4	355.2
Feb. ....	275.8	314.9	247.7	277.6	280.4	276.8	355.2
Mar. ....	277.4	319.4	250.2	277.9	280.6	277.1	355.1
Apr. ....	277.3	317.3 <sup>r</sup>	247.8 <sup>r</sup>	278.1 <sup>r</sup>	280.6	277.2	355.1
May ....	278.2	319.0	249.2	279.5	281.0	277.0	365.8
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 golds. (5) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision. <sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

TABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators - Concluded

Date	Industrial materials (1935-39=100)	Building materials(4)		Canadian farm products(2)		
		Residential(1) (1949=100)	Non-residential	Field	Animal	Total
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	286.0	240.8
1963 .....	253.5	133.9	135.1	197.2	275.4	236.3
1964 .....	258.3	142.5	139.6	198.2	267.3	232.7
1965 .....	258.7	148.9	146.8	210.3	289.3	249.8
1966 .....	261.4	154.4	151.0	209.7	321.5	265.6
1967 .....	253.1	159.3	154.2	198.7	325.3	262.0
1966 - Jan. ....	265.4	150.3	149.1	207.4	322.8	265.1
Feb. ....	267.4	150.7	149.4	211.9	331.4	271.6
Mar. ....	263.9	151.5	149.9	214.7	319.2	267.0
Apr. ....	264.7	151.9	150.7	218.2	316.2	267.2
May ....	264.3	152.8	151.3	218.7	319.4	269.1
June ....	263.0	155.4	151.4	212.4	324.6	268.5
July ....	262.6	156.2	151.8	209.3	313.2	261.3
Aug. ....	260.6	156.4	151.9	204.2	318.6	261.4
Sept. ....	258.8	157.0	151.9	203.0	321.2	262.1
Oct. ....	256.2	156.8	151.9	205.0	323.7	264.3
Nov. ....	255.6	156.8	151.7	205.4	321.9	263.7
Dec. ....	254.7	156.9	151.4	206.2	325.5	265.9
1967 - Jan. ....	253.2	156.5	153.3	208.7	320.7	264.7
Feb. ....	254.0	157.2	153.7	207.7	322.9	265.3
Mar. ....	252.0	157.6	153.9	206.7	315.1	260.9
Apr. ....	252.5	157.8	154.3	204.2	319.9	262.1
May ....	254.7	158.4	154.0	205.4	327.8	266.6
June ....	256.7	158.6	154.0	207.4	330.7	269.1
July ....	253.0	159.4	154.1	208.6	325.0	266.8
Aug. ....	252.1	160.1	154.2	190.9	329.8	260.4
Sept. ....	251.2	160.6	154.3	186.1	331.2	258.6
Oct. ....	250.1	161.5	154.5	186.8	330.9	258.9
Nov. ....	253.0	161.9	154.7	186.1	323.1	254.6
Dec. ....	254.3	162.4	155.2	186.2	326.4	256.3
1968(3) - Jan. ....	253.5	163.7	156.7	189.6	316.3	253.0
Feb. ....	252.4	164.4	157.1	186.4	315.4	250.9
Mar. ....	253.0	165.2	157.5	185.1	312.9	249.0
Apr. ....	251.2	166.4	157.6	184.2	313.8	249.0
May ....	252.0	166.2	157.9	188.7	322.2	255.5
June ....						
July ....						
Aug. ....						
Sept. ....						
Oct. ....						
Nov. ....						
Dec. ....						

(1) Converted from the base 1935-39=100. See Table 6. (2) Final to July 1967. See page 40 for details on Western grain prices and specific publications wherein final indexes or earlier years may be found. (3) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision. (4) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41.

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

Primary commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Asbestos, crude .....	379.6	379.6	371.6	371.6	368.4	355.1	355.1
Beans, cocoa .....	663.9	684.8	647.2	651.4	664.3	585.8	415.0
Beans, coffee .....	285.6	287.5	302.5	299.0	299.2	328.1	342.4
Coal .....	208.3	208.3	201.8	206.0	204.7	201.8	200.9
Copper, electrolytic .....	475.5	475.5	440.5	440.5	441.7	419.5	351.6
Cotton, raw .....	305.4	314.0	270.0	267.4	280.6	273.7	286.7
Eggs .....	127.9	131.9	132.6	144.6	139.2	175.5	146.1
Fruits, fresh .....	253.8	263.4	188.6	190.2	201.8	206.5	211.0
Grains .....	210.5	212.0	226.6	226.9	220.1	221.1	208.1
Hides and skins .....	153.3	164.5	162.2	157.7	160.6	206.3	159.1
Lead, electrolytic .....	272.5	293.5	293.5	293.5	293.5	312.7	324.9
Livestock .....	349.4	334.1	359.4	344.1	355.5	362.9	333.4
Nickel .....	351.7	351.7	317.2	317.2	328.7	294.2	289.6
Oil, crude .....	191.7	191.5	191.7	191.7	191.7	191.6	192.0
Onions .....	357.1	357.1	299.9	299.9	290.6	277.8	245.0
Potatoes .....	209.2	157.5	134.5	125.4	162.1	223.5	319.0
Rubber, raw .....	129.3	126.8	141.8	143.1	138.7	164.2	176.5
Scrap iron and steel .....	260.2	257.3	267.1	267.1	263.5	282.7	300.5
Silver .....	665.9	591.7	361.7	361.7	425.8	360.0	360.2
Steers .....	446.0	430.2	437.9	434.5	460.8	432.5	400.0
Sugar, raw .....	102.1	98.4	121.4	103.4	103.5	99.6	113.7
Tin .....	296.1	301.7	316.8	319.0	317.3	339.1	367.8
Wool, raw, domestic .....	152.5	152.5	192.4	187.2	183.1	242.8	229.3
Wool, raw, imported .....	157.1	160.0	177.9	157.2	163.1	192.3	174.9
Zinc, prime, western .....	300.2	300.2	305.8	322.4	308.5	322.4	322.4

(1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

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

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
dollars							
Vegetable products:							
Barley, No. 1 feed, bu. ....	1.17	1.24	1.24	1.25	1.25	1.32	1.26
Coffee beans, Green Santos 2/3's, lb. ....	.42	.42	.44	.44	.44	.48	.52
Flour, first patent, Toronto, 100-lb. bag ..	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.12	7.88	7.67
Linseed oil, raw, Montreal, gal. ....	1.33	1.16	1.02	1.08	1.16	1.10	1.16
Oats, No. 2 C.W., bu. ....	.95	.95	.92	.92	.93	.93	.85
Potatoes, No. 1 Saint John, 75-lb. bag .....	2.20	1.75	1.30	1.30	2.09	2.86	3.78
Sugar, granulated, std., Montreal, 100-lb. bag .....	6.60	6.50	7.40	6.40	6.62	6.38	6.83
Wheat, No. 2, Manitoba Northern, bu. ....	1.92	1.93	2.10	2.10	2.02	2.04	1.91
Animal products:							
Butter, prints, 1st. grade, Montreal, lb. ..	.66	.66	.66	.66	.65	.62	.57
Eggs, grade "A", large, Montreal, doz. ....	.44	.45	.43	.50	.48	.58	.48
Hides, packer, light native steers, lb. ....	.15	.16	.16	.16	.16	.22	.17
Hogs, Toronto (bonus excluded) 100-lb. ....	27.66	25.87	32.68	28.85	29.69	35.05	32.46
Steers, good, Toronto, 100 lb. ....	26.50	25.50	26.50	26.00	27.66	26.05	24.03

TABLE 5. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities - Concluded

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
dollars							
Textile products:							
Cotton, raw, middling, 1", Memphis, lb. (1)	.27	.28	.26	.26	.27	.31	.35
Cotton yarn, 10's, white, lb. ....	.77	.77	.77	.77	.77	.76	.75
Cotton, grey Osnaburg, clean, 7 1/8 oz., yd.	.36	.36	.36	.36	.36	.35	.35
Rayon yarn, 36 filament, 150 denier, lb. ...	.95	.95	.95	.93	.94	.93	.93
Wool, raw, Australian, 64's, clean, lb. ....	.93	.95	.93	.83	.87	1.01	.92
Wool, raw, Eastern, domestic, lb. ....	.28	.28	.38	.37	.36	.48	.45
Wood products:							
Newsprint paper, standard, Quebec, 2000-lb. ton .....	133.93	134.24	131.94	131.94	132.85	128.76	125.51
Pine, white, No. 1, 1" x 8", 8' - 16', 1000-bd. ft. ....	200.56	200.56	195.00	198.00	195.58	188.75	182.00
Shingles, asphalt, 12" x 36", 100 sq. ft. ..	6.28	6.28	5.56	5.56	5.74	5.26	5.19
Spruce, merchantable, 1" x 6"/7", 1000-bd. ft. ....	91.40	89.65	87.30	87.30	87.34	86.85	85.50
Iron products:							
Cast iron scrap, 2240-lb. ton .....	43.00	43.00	47.00	47.00	45.25	51.17	48.00
Steel scrap, No. 1, heavy melting, cbs. 2000-lb. ton (2) .....	..	29.20	26.00	26.00	26.00	30.52	33.55
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. ....	51.00	51.00	47.25	47.25	47.38	45.00	37.64
Lead, pig, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.92	15.50
Tin, ingots, 99.8%, Montreal, lb. ....	1.58	1.61	1.69	1.70	1.69	1.81	1.97
Zinc, high grade, electrolytic, 100-lb. ....	14.10	14.10	14.35	15.10	14.48	15.10	15.10
Non-metallic minerals products:							
Cement, Portland, Calgary, 350-lb. ....	4.30	4.30	4.00	4.00	4.05	3.84	3.68
Cement, Portland, Toronto, 350-lb. ....	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.44	3.41
Coal, anthracite, U.S., stove size, 2000-lb. ton .....	26.95	27.01	25.98	25.98	26.29	25.86	26.12
Chemical products:							
Sodium carbonate, (soda ash) 58 p.c., 100-lb. ....	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.10	2.05
Sulphuric acid, 66° Baume, 2000-lb. ton ....	31.00	31.00	27.75	27.75	28.42	24.48	22.64

(1) Prices prior to December 1967 are based on New York spot commodity market.

(2) As of January 1968 price averages are shown on a 2000 lb. ton basis and are compiled from a revised and enlarged sample.

.. Figures not available.

TABLE 6. Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials  
(1935-39=100)

Date	Principal components									
	Total index	Concrete products	Bricks	Lumber and lumber products	Wall board and insulation	Roofing materials	Paint and glass	Plumbing and heating equipment	Electrical equipment and fixtures	Metal products
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	420.2	149.0	213.4	238.6	231.8	197.6	259.2
1963 .....	305.3	157.2	225.5	436.4	151.1	236.6	256.4	234.7	204.8	250.1
1964 .....	324.9	161.9	233.5	472.1	158.6	251.6	269.2	242.0	208.1	259.5
1965 .....	339.6	168.1	246.5	495.7	164.3	243.8	282.6	254.4	208.2	266.5
1966 .....	352.0	176.2	251.9	519.4	166.6	243.5	286.6	256.0	232.0	264.6
1967 .....	363.3	182.2	256.5	537.4	169.5	257.6	298.7	264.0	245.1	260.3
1966(2) - Jan. ....	342.7	172.6	250.8	501.3	165.8	243.5	283.1	251.6	227.8	262.8
Feb. ....	343.7	172.7	250.7	502.2	166.2	243.5	283.1	253.7	228.0	266.8
Mar. ....	345.4	172.7	251.8	505.7	166.2	243.5	285.9	253.8	228.9	266.8
Apr. ....	346.3	176.2	252.2	506.7	166.8	243.5	285.9	254.1	231.6	265.0
May ....	348.4	176.2	252.2	510.0	167.5	243.5	286.3	257.0	233.6	265.3
June ....	354.3	176.3	252.2	523.4	167.5	243.5	286.3	257.5	234.5	265.3
July ....	356.1	176.3	252.2	528.0	166.6	243.5	287.2	257.5	233.7	265.3
Aug. ....	356.7	177.4	252.2	529.4	166.6	243.5	287.5	257.5	233.4	263.5
Sept. ....	357.9	177.7	252.2	532.1	166.6	243.5	287.5	257.5	233.4	263.5
Oct. ....	357.4	178.9	252.2	530.7	166.6	243.5	288.8	257.2	233.4	263.4
Nov. ....	357.5	178.9	252.2	531.0	166.4	243.5	289.0	257.2	232.9	264.9
Dec. ....	357.8	178.9	252.2	531.9	166.4	243.5	289.0	257.2	232.9	262.6
1967 - Jan. ....	356.9	180.7	252.2	526.6	168.2	247.5	296.6	259.9	234.5	265.3
Feb. ....	358.5	181.5	252.2	528.8	168.2	250.5	296.6	262.6	238.9	262.1
Mar. ....	359.3	181.4	254.7	529.8	169.0	250.5	296.6	263.0	240.5	260.9
Apr. ....	359.7	181.3	254.3	530.5	169.7	250.5	296.6	263.3	240.5	260.8
May ....	361.2	182.3	258.5	532.6	169.7	250.5	297.5	263.1	252.4	259.6
June ....	361.7	182.0	258.5	533.5	169.9	255.9	298.2	263.5	248.4	259.2
July ....	363.5	181.7	259.1	537.5	169.9	262.5	298.2	263.2	248.4	259.2
Aug. ....	365.1	181.7	256.2	540.5	169.9	262.5	298.2	265.3	248.4	259.2
Sept. ....	366.2	181.7	256.2	543.1	169.9	262.5	301.5	264.9	247.8	259.2
Oct. ....	368.2	184.3	259.1	547.2	169.9	262.5	301.5	264.6	247.1	259.2
Nov. ....	369.1	183.9	258.7	548.5	169.9	268.1	301.5	266.4	243.9	259.6
Dec. ....	370.2	183.6	258.7	549.6	170.1	268.1	301.5	268.3	250.6	259.6
1968(1) - Jan. ....	373.3	187.0	261.3	553.9	170.1	268.1	304.7	272.3	251.3	261.2
Feb. ....	374.9	187.0	262.8	557.3	170.1	280.5	312.8	272.5	235.5	261.2
Mar. ....	376.7	187.5	262.6	560.9	172.2	280.5	313.4	272.2	235.5	262.5
Apr. ....	379.3	187.8	263.5	565.8	175.9	280.5	313.4	272.0	235.2	262.5
May ....	379.0	188.3	263.5	564.0	176.9	280.5	314.3	275.2	229.9	262.0
June ....										
July ....										
Aug. ....										
Sept. ....										
Oct. ....										
Nov. ....										
Dec. ....										

(1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

(2) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41. Note changes in component headings.

TABLE 7. Price Index Numbers of Non-Residential Building Materials

(1949=100)

Date	Principal components						
	Total index	Concrete products	Blocks, brick, and building stone	Tile	Lumber and lumber products	Plumbing, heating, and other equipment	Electrical equipment and fixtures
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 .....	135.1	126.0	135.2	128.9	136.6	127.1	118.6
1964 .....	139.6	129.0	141.9	134.3	147.4	129.4	120.3
1965 .....	146.8	133.5	149.3	143.2	154.6	137.1	120.5
1966 .....	151.0	139.1	153.5	150.3	160.9	141.2	128.8
1967 .....	154.2	143.5	158.5	157.0	168.2	145.4	132.4
1966 - Jan. ....	149.1	135.8	150.8	147.0	157.3	138.8	126.9
Feb. ....	149.4	135.8	153.3	147.0	158.0	138.9	127.0
Mar. ....	149.9	135.9	153.3	147.0	159.3	139.8	127.5
Apr. ....	150.7	139.0	153.8	148.6	160.4	140.2	128.4
May ....	151.3	139.0	154.0	151.6	160.9	141.2	129.2
June ....	151.4	139.1	153.8	151.5	161.6	141.7	129.4
July ....	151.8	139.1	153.8	151.5	161.6	142.7	130.2
Aug. ....	151.9	140.1	153.8	151.7	161.9	142.5	129.3
Sept. ....	151.9	140.4	153.8	151.8	162.7	142.2	129.5
Oct. ....	151.9	141.5	153.8	152.1	162.1	142.2	130.1
Nov. ....	151.7	141.5	153.8	152.1	162.3	141.7	129.1
Dec. ....	151.4	141.5	153.8	152.1	163.0	142.8	128.6
1967 - Jan. ....	153.3	142.4	157.8	152.8	163.9	144.2	131.9
Feb. ....	153.7	142.8	157.8	153.8	164.9	144.6	134.0
Mar. ....	153.9	142.7	157.8	154.6	165.5	145.1	134.1
Apr. ....	154.3	142.7	158.8	157.5	165.9	145.3	134.8
May ....	154.0	143.6	158.8	157.7	166.8	145.0	133.7
June ....	154.0	143.3	158.8	157.6	167.1	145.4	133.0
July ....	154.1	143.1	158.8	157.8	168.2	145.0	132.7
Aug. ....	154.2	143.1	158.8	157.9	168.7	145.9	131.9
Sept. ....	154.3	143.1	158.8	157.9	170.8	145.8	130.8
Oct. ....	154.5	145.4	158.8	158.5	171.0	145.9	130.3
Nov. ....	154.7	145.1	158.8	158.4	171.9	146.2	129.9
Dec. ....	155.2	144.8	158.7	159.1	173.6	146.7	132.1
1968(1) - Jan. ....	156.7	146.6	160.4	159.5	174.8	148.8	134.0
Feb. ....	157.1	146.6	161.6	159.5	176.5	148.9	133.0
Mar. ....	157.5	147.1	161.6	159.6	178.6	148.9	133.6
Apr. ....	157.6	147.3	161.6	160.2	180.3	148.5	132.8
May ....	157.9	147.8	163.4	160.7	180.9	149.4	130.0
June ....							
July ....							
Aug. ....							
Sept. ....							
Oct. ....							
Nov. ....							
Dec. ....							

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 7. Price Index Numbers of Non-Residential Building Materials - Concluded

(1949=100)

Date	Principal components					
	Steel and metal work	Hardware	Wall-board and insulation	Roofing materials	Paint and glass	Miscellaneous materials
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	121.9	124.0	163.2	103.6
1964 .....	164.2	159.0	126.7	115.0	174.8	108.0
1965 .....	177.7	159.5	132.7	118.7	184.2	111.3
1966 .....	180.0	161.0	133.8	115.5	188.3	108.8
1967 .....	177.6	159.0	136.8	125.3	194.3	105.9
1966(2) - Jan. ....	179.8	160.7	132.6	115.3	185.0	111.6
Feb. ....	179.8	160.7	133.5	115.3	185.0	111.6
Mar. ....	179.8	160.7	133.5	115.3	188.4	111.6
Apr. ....	180.0	159.6	134.1	115.3	188.4	111.6
May .....	180.4	159.6	134.7	115.3	188.6	111.6
June ....	180.4	159.6	134.7	116.1	188.6	109.0
July ....	180.3	162.0	133.7	116.1	188.9	109.0
Aug. ....	180.9	161.9	133.7	115.5	189.0	109.0
Sept. ...	180.9	161.9	133.7	115.5	189.0	105.1
Oct. ....	180.2	161.9	133.7	115.5	189.4	105.1
Nov. ....	180.2	161.9	133.6	115.5	189.7	105.1
Dec. ....	177.3	161.9	133.6	115.5	189.7	105.1
1967 - Jan. ....	179.2	160.9	136.2	121.6	193.6	106.9
Feb. ....	178.5	159.8	136.2	122.0	193.6	106.9
Mar. ....	178.9	158.6	136.2	122.0	193.6	106.9
Apr. ....	178.8	158.6	136.8	122.0	193.6	106.9
May .....	177.3	158.6	136.8	122.0	193.9	106.9
June .....	176.8	158.6	137.1	126.2	194.2	106.9
July .....	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.4	194.2	106.9
Aug. ....	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.4	194.2	106.9
Sept. ....	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.4	195.3	106.9
Oct. ....	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.2	195.3	103.7
Nov. ....	177.0	158.9	137.1	129.4	195.3	103.7
Dec. ....	177.2	158.6	137.2	129.4	195.3	100.8
1968(1) - Jan. ....	177.9	161.0	137.3	129.8	196.3	103.0
Feb. ....	178.0	161.0	137.3	133.0	201.7	103.0
Mar. ....	178.1	161.8	138.7	133.0	201.9	103.0
Apr. ....	178.1	161.8	141.6	133.0	201.9	103.0
May .....	178.3	161.8	142.5	133.0	202.3	103.0
June ....						
July ....						
Aug. ....						
Sept. ...						
Oct. ....						
Nov. ....						
Dec. ....						

(1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

(2) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41. Note changes in component headings.

TABLE 8. Consumer Price Indexes, Canada, 1958-68

(1949=100)

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1958 .....	125.1	122.1	129.0	109.7	133.8	145.4	138.4	110.6
1959 .....	126.5	121.1	131.4	109.9	138.4	150.2	141.7	114.0
1960 .....	128.0	122.2	132.7	110.9	140.3	154.5	144.3	115.8
1961(1) .....	129.2	124.0(2)	133.2	112.5	140.6	155.3	146.1	116.3
1962 .....	130.7	126.2	134.8	113.5	140.4	158.3	147.3	117.8
1963 .....	133.0	130.3	136.2	116.3	140.4	162.4	149.3	118.1
1964 .....	135.4	132.4	138.4	119.2	142.0	167.8	151.8	120.2
1965 .....	138.7	135.9	140.9	121.4	147.3	175.5	154.3	122.3
1966 .....	143.9	144.5	144.7	126.0	150.8	180.9	158.7	125.1
1967 .....	149.0	146.4	151.0	132.3	157.2	190.2	166.8	128.3
1966 - Jan. ....	141.2	140.6	142.9	122.7	149.1	178.1	155.4	123.1
Feb. ....	142.1	142.5	143.1	123.3	150.0	178.1	156.4	123.4
Mar. ....	142.4	143.4	143.3	124.2	150.0	178.1	156.6	123.4
Apr. ....	143.2	143.7	143.8	125.3	150.7	179.2	157.6	125.0
May ....	143.4	143.8	144.2	125.0	151.1	180.7	159.2	125.1
June ....	143.8	144.2	144.4	125.3	151.2	181.2	159.3	125.1
July ....	144.3	146.0	144.8	125.2	151.2	181.0	159.3	125.1
Aug. ....	144.9	148.1	145.0	124.8	150.6	181.3	159.6	125.1
Sept. ....	145.1	147.1	145.4	127.0	151.2	181.3	158.8	126.4
Oct. ....	145.3	145.6	146.1	129.2	151.1	182.7	159.2	126.4
Nov. ....	145.5	144.7	146.6	129.8	151.1	184.5	161.3	126.5
Dec. ....	145.9	144.7	147.2	129.7	152.6	184.5	161.5	126.5
1967 - Jan. ....	146.0	144.9	147.6	128.6	153.0	184.9	161.9	126.5
Feb. ....	146.1	144.1	147.7	129.1	155.0	185.1	163.6	126.8
Mar. ....	146.5	143.3	148.4	130.8	155.6	185.2	163.7	127.5
Apr. ....	147.8	144.0	150.1	131.9	157.0	190.0	164.2	127.7
May ....	148.1	143.7	150.5	131.9	157.2	191.0	166.6	127.9
June ....	148.8	144.8	151.2	132.5	158.2	190.7	167.1	128.1
July ....	150.2	148.5	151.9	132.5	158.3	191.5	167.8	128.1
Aug. ....	150.9	151.2	152.2	132.3	158.0	191.9	167.9	128.6
Sept. ....	150.7	148.5	152.6	134.7	158.4	191.4	168.7	128.6
Oct. ....	150.5	147.8	153.1	133.7	157.9	193.2	169.4	128.6
Nov. ....	151.0	148.0	153.4	134.5	157.9	193.8	170.5	128.7
Dec. ....	151.8	148.6	153.8	134.7	159.6	193.8	169.7	133.0
1968 - Jan. ....	152.6	150.4	154.7	133.4	160.0	193.6	170.2	136.3
Feb. ....	152.7	149.8	155.4	134.0	159.2	194.3	171.8	136.4
Mar. ....	153.2	148.7	156.0	135.6	160.3	194.3	172.5	138.4
Apr. ....	154.1	149.8	156.6	136.3	160.8	197.0	172.1	140.9
May ....	154.2	148.9	157.1	135.8	161.0	197.8	174.2	141.1
June ....								
July ....								
Aug. ....								
Sept. ....								
Oct. ....								
Nov. ....								
Dec. ....								

(1) 1957 weights replace 1947-48 weights beginning January 1961.

(2) The system of variable weights for seasonal foods was revised beginning January 1961.

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

(1949=100)

	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
All-items index .....	154.2	154.1	148.1	147.8	149.0	143.9	138.7
Food .....	148.9	149.8	143.7	144.0	146.4	144.5	135.9
Food at home .....	146.1	147.1	141.4	141.6	144.2	143.6	135.2
Dairy products .....	164.7	165.0	156.0	155.8	159.0	148.6	139.5
Cereal products .....	170.8	171.2	167.0	167.5	168.9	166.4	162.1
Miscellaneous groceries ...	133.8	134.2	130.1	129.8	131.0	131.0	129.0
Beef .....	157.2	159.4	153.8	156.8	162.3	154.4	140.2
Pork .....	124.5	125.5	131.2	132.8	133.5	147.6	127.6
Fresh pork .....	128.0	128.0	131.0	132.3	134.9	144.1	126.9
Cured pork .....	120.3	122.3	130.3	132.2	131.3	149.3	127.1
Other meats .....	136.6	138.0	133.9	135.1	137.0	136.6	121.3
Fish .....	169.8	171.8	168.2	168.3	168.0	164.8	150.1
Poultry .....	78.3	79.0	78.0	75.9	77.5	80.7	74.8
Eggs .....	83.3	83.7	83.4	88.7	88.0	104.3	88.3
Dairy products including							
butter .....	149.2	149.4	142.9	142.5	144.9	135.9	126.9
Fats and oils including							
butter .....	109.0	109.2	110.2	110.3	109.7	106.5	98.7
Fats and oils excluding							
butter .....	107.9	108.1	112.2	113.8	111.9	114.2	109.1
Total fruit .....	187.9	180.2	152.3	147.7	151.8	150.9	132.4
Fresh fruit .....	213.2	201.1	162.1	153.9	160.0	155.6	138.1
Canned fruit .....	138.1	137.3	127.8	128.3	129.3	132.0	131.9
Total vegetables .....	177.3	173.8	159.0	151.1	159.0	162.6	160.8
Fresh vegetables .....	187.4	182.3	163.7	151.5	162.9	170.5	170.6
Canned vegetables .....	159.9	159.8	152.0	152.6	153.8	149.8	143.8
Direct imports(1) .....	173.0	167.5	143.0	140.0	143.7	145.3	148.8
Restaurant meals(2) .....	144.6	144.6	137.5	137.5	138.7	129.0	120.2
Housing .....	157.1	156.6	150.5	150.1	151.0	144.7	140.9
Shelter .....	179.7	178.7	169.4	169.0	170.5	162.9	157.8
Tenant costs .....	158.8	158.2	151.9	151.6	153.5	148.5	146.0
Home-ownership costs .....	199.9	198.7	186.4	185.9	187.0	177.0	169.5
Property taxes .....	198.0	198.0	184.0	184.0	184.0	176.8	169.1
Mortgage interest .....	145.2	145.2	135.0	135.0	137.2	130.8	125.5
Repairs .....	212.6	209.9	200.2	198.8	199.5	187.9	180.9
New houses .....	217.4	214.7	203.2	202.0	202.9	189.3	181.2
Personal property in-							
surance .....	178.7	178.7	164.4	164.4	167.6	158.3	147.8
Household operation .....	135.4	135.2	132.6	132.4	132.5	127.6	125.1
Fuel .....	116.8	116.6	113.8	113.8	113.5	111.7	111.6
Coal .....	148.5	148.5	144.5	144.5	144.6	140.8	138.6
Fuel oil .....	98.0	97.6	95.0	95.0	94.6	92.9	93.1
Domestic gas .....	113.7	113.7	112.1	112.1	112.0	111.8	112.3
Electricity .....	126.5	126.5	125.7	125.7	122.7	114.4	114.3
Home furnishings .....	130.5	130.5	127.1	126.9	127.6	122.3	119.5
Appliances .....	83.8	83.8	82.8	82.8	83.6	82.0	81.8
Furniture .....	148.3	148.4	144.7	144.0	143.7	134.8	129.2
Floor coverings .....	139.8	140.1	138.8	139.0	139.5	137.7	139.3
Textiles .....	132.4	132.0	127.5	127.6	127.9	124.7	122.7
Utensils and equipment ..	180.2	180.0	170.7	170.5	172.6	162.2	154.9

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1949=100)

	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Housing - Concluded:							
Supplies and services .....	157.6	157.8	155.9	155.6	156.3	151.2	146.5
Supplies .....	148.4	148.8	148.3	147.9	148.4	142.3	138.7
Services .....	164.5	164.5	161.3	161.3	162.2	157.8	152.2
Telephone rates .....	157.4	157.3	156.6	156.6	156.2	154.1	152.4
Postage .....	131.7	131.7	130.8	130.8	130.8	130.8	130.8
Household help .....	233.1	233.1	221.2	221.2	226.6	212.5	195.6
Household effects in- surance .....	150.2	150.2	144.3	144.3	145.9	138.3	119.4
Clothing .....	135.8	136.3	131.9	131.9	132.3	126.0	121.4
Men's wear .....	145.9	146.2	141.0	140.5	141.1	133.8	129.4
Suit .....	161.1	162.0	155.9	155.6	155.0	145.4	140.3
Business shirt .....	138.5	138.5	136.9	136.6	136.5	131.5	122.2
Hat .....	-	156.5	-	148.1	150.0	141.5	139.0
Women's wear .....	116.9	117.1	114.3	115.2	114.8	110.2	106.4
Winter coat .....	-	-	-	-	129.4	124.5	115.6
Spring coat .....	109.7	113.5	103.0	105.9	103.4	100.0	95.6
Cotton street dress .....	113.3	111.9	109.5	109.5	108.0	106.1	105.2
Slip .....	102.6	102.6	101.9	101.9	101.8	100.3	99.3
Hosiery .....	78.9	78.9	78.5	78.6	78.5	77.2	76.6
Children's wear .....	118.6	119.4	117.7	118.2	117.9	111.8	110.5
Boys:							
Slacks .....	127.2	129.6	124.4	122.7	125.3	119.4	118.4
T-Shirt .....	122.7	-	121.6	-	121.1	120.9	118.2
Sweater .....	149.8	148.1	141.0	140.6	141.7	132.8	129.1
Parka .....	-	-	-	-	101.8	96.8	90.1
Girls:							
Spring coat .....	132.0	141.0	134.9	139.5	133.7	122.0	129.3
Cotton dress .....	104.7	104.6	104.6	104.6	104.1	98.0	97.4
Snow suit .....	-	-	-	-	106.0	102.0	100.4
Infants:							
Diapers .....	126.0	125.8	124.3	124.0	124.4	122.5	122.5
Overalls .....	115.1	115.1	115.2	115.2	113.4	114.7	113.7
Footwear .....	186.5	187.0	178.9	176.2	178.1	168.1	157.8
Men's oxfords .....	198.1	201.6	194.3	193.2	193.8	179.4	166.4
Women's street shoes .....	177.6	177.2	171.4	168.8	170.3	161.3	151.5
Children's shoes .....	199.9	198.3	187.9	182.8	186.3	178.4	167.7
Women's overshoes .....	-	-	-	-	153.1	145.5	140.4
Piece goods .....	133.5	135.0	131.5	133.0	132.8	126.1	124.1
Cotton dress print .....	127.2	129.0	122.0	125.6	126.2	119.1	117.3
Wool dress material .....	101.2	101.4	101.5	100.7	100.4	100.4	99.3
Clothing services .....	174.8	174.8	168.7	168.7	169.8	163.1	155.3
Laundry .....	191.5	191.5	185.3	185.3	186.4	179.5	172.1
Dry cleaning .....	159.8	159.8	154.6	154.6	155.5	149.8	142.6
Shoe repairs .....	190.8	190.8	180.4	180.4	182.8	172.0	161.9
Jewellery(2) .....	136.8	136.8	129.2	129.2	129.5	122.4	118.0

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

(1949=100)

	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Transportation .....	161.0	160.8	157.2	157.0	157.2	150.8	147.3
Automobile operation .....	135.7	135.8	132.6	132.6	132.9	129.6	127.0
New passenger car .....	120.0	120.3	117.1	117.5	117.7	115.7	118.0
Gasoline .....	120.7	120.9	116.2	116.0	116.0	113.3	108.6
Tires .....	164.5	164.5	167.8	167.8	167.0	156.9	148.3
Automobile insurance .....	223.3	223.3	229.4	229.4	229.2	226.3	208.4
Fender replacement .....	254.9	254.9	237.7	237.7	240.0	223.9	208.7
Brake relining .....	191.4	191.4	179.3	179.3	180.4	168.0	159.4
Battery .....	112.3	112.3	110.2	110.2	110.4	105.0	101.1
Local transportation .....	276.0	275.9	267.9	266.3	263.5	229.0	221.0
Street car and bus fares ..	296.0	295.6	287.7	285.6	282.0	242.5	234.2
Taxi fare .....	160.5	160.5	153.8	153.8	154.8	145.6	139.8
Travel .....	131.9	127.8	131.6	127.3	131.7	127.9	122.3
Train fare .....	118.4	118.4	127.9	119.3	127.1	120.5	109.8
Bus fare .....	132.5	132.5	128.3	128.3	130.4	128.5	127.8
Plane fare(2) .....	123.8	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	111.9
Health and personal care .....	197.8	197.0	191.0	190.0	190.2	180.9	175.5
Health care .....	202.8	202.6	194.3	194.1	193.4	184.1	180.6
Doctors' fees .....	186.7	186.7	181.3	181.3	178.7	164.6	160.8
Office call .....	209.1	209.1	202.6	202.6	198.2	176.6	171.3
Confinement .....	207.4	207.4	202.2	202.2	200.8	190.2	184.9
Appendectomy .....	123.5	123.5	122.7	122.7	122.8	122.3	122.0
Dentists' fees .....	229.0	229.0	209.2	209.2	208.8	198.6	187.8
Filling .....	233.2	233.2	211.2	211.2	210.9	202.0	190.3
Dentures .....	185.6	185.6	171.6	171.6	171.8	164.4	158.0
Extraction .....	290.6	290.6	266.7	266.7	264.8	247.4	231.2
Optical care .....	177.0	177.0	168.0	168.0	167.9	162.0	156.8
Prepaid medical care .....	241.7	241.7	223.4	223.4	226.0	217.2	219.1
Pharmaceuticals .....	117.8	117.3	124.2	123.6	122.2	121.4	119.9
Headache tablets .....	120.3	120.8	128.8	130.3	126.9	127.4	125.7
Vitamins .....	89.0	89.4	96.3	96.2	94.6	96.2	98.5
Bandages .....	171.6	168.8	174.3	175.0	173.4	174.6	174.2
Prescriptions .....	95.3	95.1	100.6	100.0	98.9	98.5	97.0
Personal care .....	186.3	184.1	182.3	179.9	181.7	172.7	164.1
Supplies .....	145.9	145.0	145.3	144.2	144.9	142.6	138.1
Toilet soap .....	153.5	154.0	158.3	156.8	156.7	157.2	148.9
Toothpaste .....	140.3	137.7	141.2	142.7	142.5	141.2	138.7
Face powder .....	161.4	157.4	154.9	154.1	154.9	149.6	147.4
Razor blades .....	112.0	112.3	109.9	108.6	110.4	106.7	106.2
Cleansing tissues .....	129.4	129.0	125.7	126.5	125.2	123.7	119.6
Services .....	245.2	240.9	236.5	232.1	235.5	217.0	202.3
Men's haircuts .....	267.2	262.3	258.7	253.9	257.2	235.8	219.8
Women's hairdressing ....	217.0	213.3	208.2	204.4	207.8	192.6	179.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1949=100)

	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	1965
Recreation and reading .....	174.2	172.1	166.6	164.2	166.8	158.7	154.3
Recreation .....	169.2	166.5	162.2	159.0	162.5	154.5	150.7
Theatre admission .....	295.4	278.6	272.9	257.1	268.4	236.5	215.4
Admission to sporting events .....	231.9	231.9	214.0	214.0	220.4	208.6	205.8
Radio .....	98.6	98.6	97.0	97.0	97.7	97.1	96.5
Television, console(2) .....	92.7	92.7	94.4	94.4	95.8	95.8	98.0
Camera film .....	180.0	178.0	174.4	172.7	173.6	167.1	163.4
Phonograph record .....	159.0	159.0	139.1	139.1	143.3	132.5	131.0
Bicycle .....	137.3	137.0	133.0	129.6	132.6	125.0	122.4
Sports equipment(2) .....	125.3	125.3	114.9	114.9	118.3	109.3	105.6
Toys(2) .....	120.7	119.3	117.7	112.3	116.1	109.7	107.3
Television repairs(2) .....	134.0	134.0	126.4	126.4	126.6	124.7	122.5
Reading .....	189.3	189.3	179.7	179.7	179.7	171.5	165.2
Newspapers .....	230.3	230.3	221.5	221.5	221.3	212.3	201.8
Magazines .....	116.5	116.5	107.4	107.4	107.6	101.7	100.7
Tobacco and alcohol .....	141.1	140.9	127.9	127.7	128.3	125.1	122.3
Tobacco .....	140.9	140.2	124.0	123.7	124.4	119.5	114.7
Cigarettes .....	134.7	134.1	118.3	118.0	118.6	113.6	108.9
Cigarette tobacco .....	158.0	156.1	141.8	141.8	142.8	141.5	139.4
Alcohol .....	140.9	140.9	130.4	130.4	131.0	128.9	127.6
Beer .....	135.7	135.7	126.4	126.4	127.0	125.5	124.9
Liquor .....	151.3	151.3	138.6	138.6	138.9	135.9	132.9
Supplementary classifications:							
Commodities:							
Total .....	138.8	138.8	134.0	133.9	134.9	131.5	126.7
Total excluding food .....	133.4	133.2	128.4	128.3	128.6	124.0	121.5
Durable .....	120.6	120.7	118.1	118.1	118.6	115.0	114.6
Household equipment .....	124.6	124.7	122.2	122.0	122.7	118.2	116.1
Appliances(3) .....	85.8	85.8	85.5	85.5	86.3	85.3	85.6
Other .....	157.4	157.4	152.5	152.1	152.5	144.1	139.0
Transportation equipment ...	120.4	120.5	117.8	117.9	118.2	115.7	117.2
Non-durable .....	142.6	142.6	137.3	137.1	138.3	134.9	129.2
Non-durable excluding food ...	138.2	138.1	132.4	132.2	132.4	127.5	124.1
Textiles ("use" classification) .....	127.5	127.8	124.3	124.8	124.7	119.1	115.8
Garments .....	126.6	126.9	123.6	124.0	123.9	118.2	114.6
Household furnishings and piece goods .....	132.8	133.2	129.0	129.6	129.7	125.3	123.4
Textiles (chief component material classification) .....	127.5	127.8	124.3	124.8	124.7	119.1	115.8
Wool .....	142.3	143.5	136.2	136.9	137.5	130.9	126.5
Cotton .....	132.2	131.8	128.1	128.2	128.2	122.7	120.0
Synthetic .....	109.0	109.3	105.8	106.2	106.1	102.7	101.2
Fur .....	109.8	109.9	118.8	119.6	117.1	109.7	104.0
Footwear .....	186.5	187.0	178.9	176.2	178.1	168.1	157.8
Leather .....	189.6	190.2	182.6	179.9	181.6	171.2	160.2
Rubber and plastic .....	164.6	165.0	152.0	149.6	153.1	145.5	140.4
Other non-durable .....	139.1	138.9	132.3	132.1	132.2	128.0	125.1
Services:							
Total .....	193.2	192.2	185.5	184.5	185.9	176.6	170.6
Total excluding shelter .....	214.7	213.4	206.8	205.4	206.4	194.4	186.2

(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)

	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	May 1968 price relative 1949=100
<b>Dairy products:</b>							
Milk, fresh, qt. ....	30.3	30.3	28.4	28.4	29.0	26.8	170.1
Milk, evaporated, 16 oz. ....	18.5	18.6	18.7	18.4	18.7	18.5	125.1
Powdered skim milk, pkg., 3 lb. ....	136.9	136.9	134.7	130.9	134.2	125.6	116.4(2)
Butter, creamery, first grade, lb. ....	70.8	70.8	70.8	70.6	70.4	67.1	109.5
Cheese, plain, processed, 1/2 lb. ....	45.4	45.4	43.8	43.7	44.7	43.1	155.6
<b>Poultry and eggs:</b>							
Chicken, grade A evisc. (1 1/2 - 4 lb.).lb.(5)	47.1	47.6	47.6	46.5	47.5	49.7	89.3(4)
Turkey, grade A evisc. (8 - 16 lb.), lb.(5)	49.0	49.2	48.8	48.9	48.2	50.5	83.4(2)
Eggs, fresh, grade A large, doz. ....	51.2	51.5	51.3	54.6	54.1	64.1	83.2
Eggs, fresh, grade A medium, doz.(5) ....	46.9	47.1	45.6	48.4	46.5	58.4	101.0
<b>Beef:</b>							
Sirloin steak, lb. ....	117.4	120.0	115.2	117.1	123.7	116.7	166.8
Round steak, lb. ....	104.2	106.3	100.9	103.8	107.8	102.5	155.5
Prime rib roast, lb.(6) ....	106.2	108.4	106.2	106.5	108.7	104.9	158.2
Blade roast, lb.(7) ....	71.0	71.5	70.8	72.6	74.6	71.1	146.9
Stewing beef, lb. ....	81.5	82.8	77.0	77.7	79.2	76.3	174.8
Hamburg, lb. ....	58.6	58.1	57.5	58.3	58.7	55.8	154.7
Liver, sliced, lb. ....	60.9	61.3	61.1	60.0	60.7	62.9	108.5(2)
<b>Pork:</b>							
Rib chops, fresh, lb. ....	80.7	80.6	81.9	82.0	85.1	91.0	142.0
Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh, lb. ....	58.6	59.5	61.2	64.4	64.1	72.3	106.0
Sausage, pure pork, lb. ....	70.1	69.8	72.3	73.0	72.4	74.8	142.0
Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off, 1/2 lb.	48.4	49.2	53.7	54.5	55.0	66.5	114.1
Ham, smoked, boneless, to be cooked, lb.(8)	115.8	115.4	125.2	126.4	124.8	136.8	136.2(4)
<b>Other meats:</b>							
Lamb, leg roast, lb. ....	82.9	81.2	76.8	78.4	81.9	89.3	115.1
Veal, loin chops, rib end, lb. ....	123.1	125.7	115.2	116.3	119.7	110.1	165.7
Wieners or frankfurters, lb. ....	61.3	61.9	61.8	62.3	62.4	63.1	117.2(2)
Meat loaf, canned, mainly pork, 12 oz. ....	53.4	54.1	57.2	58.1	57.3	60.8	170.7(2)
<b>Fish:</b>							
Cod fillets, frozen, lb.(3) ....	48.3	48.9	48.4	48.0	48.2	47.4	142.6(4)
Salmon, canned, fancy pink, 8 oz. ....	42.5	42.3	41.5	41.5	41.6	41.4	171.5
<b>Fats and oils:</b>							
Margarine, lb. ....	33.8	34.1	35.4	36.0	35.4	36.0	105.0
Lard, pure, lb. ....	22.8	23.0	28.1	28.8	27.4	30.1	97.0
Shortening, lb. ....	39.1	39.1	40.3	40.7	40.2	40.9	121.2
Salad dressing, jar, 16 oz. ....	43.3	43.3	43.8	44.4	43.7	44.4	107.0(2)
<b>Cereals and bakery products:</b>							
Flour, white, all purpose, lb. ....	11.9	12.0	11.8	11.8	11.8	11.4	171.1
Corn flakes, pkg., 8 oz. ....	24.2	24.2	23.9	24.1	24.2	23.4	171.5
Macaroni, dry, pkg., lb. ....	23.4	23.5	22.7	22.5	23.0	21.8	170.3
Cake mix, white, pkg., 14-16 oz. ....	39.2	38.6	39.3	39.8	39.3	39.4	123.3
Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced, lb. ....	19.3	19.4	18.7	18.8	19.0	19.0	190.8
Soda crackers, pkg., lb. ....	42.7	42.7	41.5	41.4	41.3	40.0	112.4(2)
<b>Sugar and sweets:</b>							
Sugar, granulated, lb. ....	9.5	9.5	9.6	8.8	9.4	9.5	102.8
Jam, strawberry, 2 lb. jar, lb.(9) ....	30.6	30.6	30.3	30.8	30.5	31.7	132.1
Honey, No. 1, white, 2 lb.(3) ....	71.0	71.1	71.7	71.9	71.6	73.1	116.8(2)

See footnotes at end of table.

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

	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	April 1967	1967	1966	May 1968 price relative 1949=100
<b>Fruits:</b>							
Oranges, California, medium size (138), doz.	71.4	68.8	56.6	56.0	56.0	56.8	202.8
Grapefruit, white, 48's, 1/2 doz. ....	78.1	70.6	52.4	50.4	63.0	70.0	203.1
Bananas, yellow, lb. ....	19.5	18.7	17.8	17.7	18.0	18.1	103.7
Apples, volume seller, lb. ....	22.5	21.0	20.8	19.7	19.9	18.6	219.7
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg., 15 oz.(5)	50.4	50.5	51.0	50.8	50.3	52.2	107.7(4)
Orange juice, conc., frozen, fancy, 6 oz.(5)	25.2	25.0	21.8	22.6	22.6	26.1	109.7(2)
Apple juice, choice, 20 oz. ....	19.0	18.8	18.5	18.4	18.5	18.7	164.2
Orange juice, unsweetened, 20 oz. ....	22.7	22.5	19.9	20.1	20.4	21.9	107.9
Pears, canned, choice, 15 oz. ....	24.7	24.5	23.6	23.7	23.8	25.1	114.7
Peaches, canned, choice, halves, 15 oz. ....	33.3	33.2	30.3	30.4	30.7	30.1	161.1
Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced, 20 oz.(5) ....	42.1	42.1	42.1	42.3	42.1	42.5	104.3(2)
Raisins, California and Australia, lb. ....	41.3	40.5	37.5	37.6	37.9	37.1	234.1
<b>Vegetables:</b>							
Potatoes, No. 1 table, 10 lb. ....	63.5	58.1	49.5	52.1	56.1	64.0	182.4
Onions, No. 1, cooking, lb. ....	24.0	17.7	16.7	16.7	16.4	14.8	326.0
Carrots, lb. ....	16.8	18.4	14.8	13.9	14.1	14.9	223.4
Turnips, Canada No. 1, lb. ....	10.8	10.4	10.9	10.5	11.2	11.2	216.3
Cabbage, lb. ....	13.8	14.5	14.1	12.8	12.7	13.6	179.2
Tomatoes, fresh, lb. ....	49.8	41.8	32.2	31.5	31.4	32.2	213.1
Celery stalks, green, lb.(5) ....	19.7	18.0	18.7	17.7	19.9	20.3	116.5
Lettuce, head, fresh, lb.(5) ....	20.2	29.9	31.2	20.3	26.7	26.5	131.2
Green peas, frozen, fancy, pkg., 12 oz.(5) ..	26.4	26.5	25.6	25.6	25.7	24.5	104.8(4)
Green beans, Fr. cut, frozen, pkg., 10 oz.(5)	27.3	27.5	26.9	27.0	26.9	26.4	102.3(2)
Tomatoes, canned, choice, 28 oz. ....	34.0	33.8	36.0	35.9	35.5	35.8	169.7
Peas, canned, choice, 15 oz. ....	22.4	22.3	19.9	19.9	20.3	19.4	153.7
Corn, canned, cream, choice, 20 oz. ....	26.4	26.4	24.4	24.7	24.8	23.8	138.1
Infants' food, vegetable, tin, 5 oz. ....	12.3	12.5	12.1	12.6	12.4	12.6	148.2
Beans, with pork and tomato sauce, 15 oz. ...	22.9	22.8	22.8	23.0	22.9	22.5	165.2
Soup, vegetable, 10 oz. ....	15.3	15.3	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.4	126.0
Tomato juice, fancy, 20 oz. ....	20.3	20.6	19.6	19.7	20.0	19.6	127.0(2)
<b>Beverages:</b>							
Tea bags, orange pekoe, pkg., 60-bag ....	85.4	85.9	84.6	85.0	84.9	85.2	106.8(2)
Coffee, medium quality, pkg., lb. ....	88.0	87.8	88.8	88.8	89.7	93.0	141.4
Coffee, instant, dried, jar, 6 oz. ....	108.9	108.4	105.4	106.2	106.8	112.3	102.4(2)
<b>Miscellaneous groceries:</b>							
Tomato catsup, bottle, 11 oz. ....	26.1	26.3	26.3	26.6	26.5	26.1	110.6(2)
Peanut butter, plain, jar, 16 oz. ....	44.9	45.1	44.8	44.6	44.7	45.5	123.8
Pickles, sweet, mixed, jar, 16 oz. ....	39.8	39.6	39.4	39.2	39.3	38.8	143.1
Jelly powders, flavoured, pkg., 3 oz. ....	12.0	12.0	11.8	11.7	11.8	11.7	124.0(4)
Baking chocotate, unsweetened, bar, 8 oz.(5)	67.2	67.3	65.7	64.1	65.8	64.1	109.7(2)

(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) July 1960=100. (3) Average prices based on prices in 15 cities. (4) 1956=100. (5) Average prices based on prices in 16 cities. (6) Includes cuts with bone-in and boned and rolled. (7) Includes cuts with blade-in and blade removed. (8) Average prices based on chain store prices in 7 cities. (9) Prices for pectin and pure jam combined.

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities, 1958-68

Note: These indexes measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities. (1)

	St. John's Nfld.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
	June 1951=100	1949=100								
	ALL-ITEMS									
1958 .....	112.0	122.9	125.3	125.5	125.5	128.6	123.0	122.0	121.4	125.6
1959 .....	114.3	125.9	127.7	126.9	126.9	128.9	123.7	123.1	123.0	127.9
1960 .....	115.5	127.2	129.2	127.9	128.6	130.4	125.6	124.4	124.1	129.0
1961 .....	116.7	128.5	130.2	129.3	130.2	131.2	127.5	125.4	125.0	129.4
1962(2) .....	117.6	130.2	131.4	130.9	131.7	132.4	129.1	127.5	126.2	129.8
1963 .....	120.0	131.5	133.4	133.0	134.0	134.6	130.3	128.5	127.6	131.8
1964 .....	121.3	132.0	134.8	135.1	136.0	136.9	132.3	129.8	128.2	132.7
1965 .....	123.1	134.4	136.9	138.0	138.4	140.2	135.3	131.9	130.1	135.2
1966 .....	126.0	138.0	140.4	142.1	143.7	146.4	139.4	135.8	134.4	138.5
1967 .....	129.4	141.2	144.7	147.7	147.3	150.7	144.4	139.6	139.8	143.6
1966 - Jan. ....	124.1	135.5	137.8	140.1	140.6	143.1	137.3	133.3	131.9	136.6
Feb. ....	124.4	136.0	138.7	141.2	141.5	143.8	138.1	134.0	132.5	137.5
Mar. ....	124.8	136.9	138.8	141.1	142.0	144.5	138.8	135.0	132.9	137.9
Apr. ....	125.3	137.9	139.7	141.6	143.4	145.8	138.7	135.2	133.3	137.5
May ....	125.6	137.7	139.8	141.6	143.5	145.9	139.1	135.7	133.7	138.1
June ....	126.3	138.1	140.8	142.2	143.7	146.3	139.3	135.8	134.1	138.3
July ....	126.3	138.5	140.9	142.2	144.4	147.2	139.2	136.1	134.5	138.5
Aug. ....	127.1	139.0	141.8	142.6	145.2	147.9	140.1	136.7	135.4	139.0
Sept. ....	126.5	138.9	141.9	142.9	145.3	148.2	140.5	137.0	135.9	139.6
Oct. ....	126.5	139.0	141.7	142.6	144.9	148.1	140.6	136.9	136.2	140.0
Nov. ....	127.3	139.2	141.5	143.6	145.5	148.1	140.7	137.1	136.5	139.5
Dec. ....	127.2	139.2	141.8	143.9	144.7	148.3	140.5	137.3	136.5	139.9
1967 - Jan. ....	127.0	139.0	143.0	144.1	145.2	148.2	140.7	137.3	136.6	140.9
Feb. ....	126.6	139.3	143.3	144.8	145.2	148.1	141.1	137.0	136.6	140.9
Mar. ....	127.8	139.6	143.5	145.3	145.3	148.4	141.1	137.6	136.9	141.2
Apr. ....	128.7	140.2	144.0	147.0	145.7	149.6	141.6	138.5	137.9	142.5
May ....	129.2	140.3	143.9	147.2	146.2	149.8	141.9	139.1	138.9	143.0
June ....	129.2	140.7	144.4	147.6	147.0	150.7	145.0	139.4	139.5	143.5
July ....	129.4	141.4	144.6	149.0	147.9	151.7	145.8	140.2	140.7	144.1
Aug. ....	130.9	143.1	145.9	149.7	148.6	152.1	146.5	140.9	141.3	144.7
Sept. ....	130.8	142.4	145.7	149.1	148.3	152.2	147.1	140.9	142.0	145.1
Oct. ....	130.8	142.5	145.7	148.8	148.6	151.8	146.8	140.6	141.7	144.9
Nov. ....	130.8	143.0	145.7	149.6	149.6	152.5	147.2	141.5	142.1	145.1
Dec. ....	131.1	143.4	146.6	150.1	150.1	153.3	147.7	142.4	143.1	146.7
1968 - Jan. ....	131.6	144.3	147.7	151.1	151.4	154.1	149.0	142.6	143.4	147.4
Feb. ....	132.1	144.8	147.9	151.1	151.9	153.8	148.8	142.9	143.8	147.5
Mar. ....	132.6	144.5	148.3	150.9	152.5	154.7	148.7	143.9	143.7	147.8
Apr. ....	134.4	145.7	148.8	152.0	152.5	155.6	149.0	144.0	144.5	148.3
May ....	135.0	145.7	149.3	152.0	153.0	155.5	149.4	144.5	144.5	148.0
June ....										
July ....										
Aug. ....										
Sept. ....										
Oct. ....										
Nov. ....										
Dec. ....										

(1) For explanation see Page 43.

(2) 1957 weights replace 1947-48 weights beginning February 1962.

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued

	St. John's Nfld.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
	June 1951=100	1949=100								
<u>FOOD</u>										
1958 .....	110.0	116.4	119.2	126.2	121.2	121.6	121.2	120.4	118.5	121.9
1959 .....	112.1	116.8	120.8	125.7	120.0	119.5	119.2	119.7	118.0	122.4
1960 .....	111.5	117.2	122.2	126.4	122.2	121.7	120.4	120.1	116.9	122.4
1961 .....	111.3	118.9	123.6	128.2	123.6	122.9	124.1	121.5	118.6	123.1
1962(1) .....	112.0	122.3(2)	125.6	131.1	125.6	124.5	127.4	124.3	121.1	126.0
1963 .....	116.6	126.0	129.9	136.0	130.8	128.6	129.5	127.2	123.9	130.1
1964 .....	117.6	126.9	132.5	138.4	133.6	130.9	130.8	129.3	124.1	131.0
1965 .....	120.0	130.9	134.6	141.0	137.2	135.2	134.2	132.6	126.8	133.9
1966 .....	125.6	138.1	141.2	149.6	146.3	145.0	143.0	141.0	134.4	139.9
1967 .....	126.5	139.3	143.0	151.7	148.0	144.2	144.9	144.0	138.0	141.9
1966 - Jan. ....	122.4	133.2	135.0	146.7	142.4	141.3	138.8	135.5	129.7	137.3
Feb. ....	123.0	134.8	137.4	149.3	144.6	142.7	140.4	137.0	131.2	139.0
Mar. ....	123.7	137.1	138.5	148.3	145.2	144.2	142.9	139.9	131.7	139.8
Apr. ....	125.0	139.5	140.1	149.0	145.8	144.3	142.3	140.1	132.4	138.4
May ....	125.5	138.1	139.9	148.8	145.6	143.4	142.9	141.1	132.9	139.9
June ....	127.1	139.3	142.9	150.1	146.4	144.1	143.1	141.2	134.7	140.1
July ....	126.8	139.3	143.4	150.5	148.5	146.7	143.0	141.8	134.8	140.2
Aug. ....	129.1	142.0	147.0	152.3	150.8	149.5	146.9	143.9	138.3	141.4
Sept. ....	127.1	139.3	144.8	151.8	149.2	148.4	146.0	143.9	138.5	142.2
Oct. ....	126.2	139.0	142.9	148.2	146.3	146.4	144.2	142.1	136.9	141.4
Nov. ....	125.7	138.2	141.4	149.9	146.9	144.5	143.4	142.7	136.4	139.2
Dec. ....	125.2	137.4	140.9	150.0	144.4	144.7	142.4	142.4	135.6	139.9
1967 - Jan. ....	126.7	136.7	141.3	150.6	146.6	143.8	143.7	142.1	136.0	141.3
Feb. ....	125.5	137.4	141.4	150.2	145.5	142.7	142.8	140.8	134.4	140.3
Mar. ....	125.6	136.2	141.0	149.9	144.2	141.5	141.1	140.4	133.2	139.3
Apr. ....	125.6	137.5	142.0	149.9	144.5	141.8	142.2	142.4	135.3	139.8
May ....	126.0	137.7	141.6	149.6	145.7	141.2	142.2	143.6	136.1	140.9
June ....	125.8	137.6	142.0	149.0	147.6	143.4	144.7	143.3	137.3	141.7
July ....	125.3	139.3	142.7	153.0	150.4	146.5	145.5	145.3	139.7	143.0
Aug. ....	129.7	144.8	147.1	155.8	151.7	147.5	147.8	147.7	141.4	144.1
Sept. ....	128.7	141.3	144.8	152.2	149.7	146.1	148.3	145.7	141.8	143.9
Oct. ....	127.2	140.4	144.1	151.8	148.6	144.9	146.4	144.0	140.3	142.0
Nov. ....	126.5	141.4	143.6	154.2	150.8	144.9	147.2	146.0	140.7	142.2
Dec. ....	125.9	141.6	144.4	153.8	150.4	146.4	146.5	146.1	139.8	144.7
1968 - Jan. ....	127.2	143.1	146.5	157.4	154.1	147.5	150.3	146.4	141.2	147.4
Feb. ....	128.3	144.0	146.7	156.9	153.2	146.5	148.8	146.1	140.2	146.6
Mar. ....	128.3	141.8	146.6	155.5	152.8	146.0	148.6	145.3	138.7	145.8
Apr. ....	128.1	143.5	148.0	155.8	151.8	147.5	148.9	145.8	140.2	146.3
May ....	128.8	143.5	148.1	155.2	151.8	146.8	149.3	146.8	139.7	144.7
June ....										
July ....										
Aug. ....										
Sept. ....										
Oct. ....										
Nov. ....										
Dec. ....										

(1) 1957 weights replace 1947-48 weights beginning February 1962.

(2) The system of variable weights for seasonal foods was revised beginning February 1962.







TABLE 12. Average Weekly Wages in Manufacturing in Current Dollars and Adjusted for Changes in the Consumer Price Index, Canada(1)  
1961-68

	Weekly wages in current dollars \$	Index numbers of weekly wages in current dollars (1961=100)	Weekly wages in 1961 dollars \$	Index numbers of weekly wages in 1961 dollars
1961 - Average .....	74.45	100.0	74.45	100.0
1962 " .....	76.75	103.1	75.87	101.9
1963 " .....	79.51	106.8	77.24	103.7
1964 " .....	82.96	111.4	79.16	106.3
1965 " .....	86.89	116.7	80.94	108.7
1966 " .....	91.65	123.1	82.04	110.2
1967 " .....	96.84	130.1	83.64	112.4
1967 - Jan. ....	93.26	125.3	82.47	110.8
Feb. ....	94.23	126.6	83.10	111.6
Mar. ....	95.02	127.6	83.06	111.6
Apr. ....	96.50	129.6	84.19	113.1
May ....	96.06	129.0	83.41	112.0
June ....	97.13	130.5	83.55	112.2
July ....	96.45	129.6	82.58	110.9
Aug. ....	97.43	130.9	83.53	112.2
Sept. ....	99.20	133.2	85.16	114.4
Oct. ....	99.88	134.2	85.46	114.8
Nov. ....	100.18	134.6	85.26	114.5
Dec. ....	96.78	130.0	81.94	110.1
1968 - Jan. ....	99.52	133.7	84.20	113.1
Feb. ....	100.53	135.0	84.29	113.2
Mar. ....	100.62 <sup>P</sup>	135.2 <sup>P</sup>	84.36 <sup>P</sup>	113.3 <sup>P</sup>
Apr. ....				
May ....				
June ....				
July ....				
Aug. ....				
Sept. ....				
Oct. ....				
Nov. ....				
Dec. ....				

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 44 .  
P Preliminary figures.

TABLE 13. Spatial Retail Food Price Indexes, Regional Cities, 1958-1967(1)

Winnipeg = 100

	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Halifax .....	99	102	101	99	99	100	100	101	100	99
Saint John .....	100	102	103	101	100	101	102	101	100	100
Montreal .....	98	98	100	98	98	100	101	100	100	100
Ottawa .....	98	99	99	98	97	99	100	100	100	100
Toronto .....	97	97	99	97	96	98	98	99	100	98
Winnipeg .....	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Regina .....	103	105	103	101	101	102	103	103	103	103
Saskatoon .....	104	105	104	102	102	103	103	103	103	104
Calgary .....	100	102	100	98	98	98	98	98	97	98
Edmonton .....	100	101	98	97	96	97	96	96	95	96
Vancouver .....	104	106	104	102	101	103	102	102	100	100

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 45

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							
1949 .....	204.1	158.3	180.3	138.7	373.3	173.2	191.7
1965 .....	321.8	284.9	247.4	259.1	677.0	240.6	289.3
1966 .....	343.2	293.1	254.0	272.2	764.4	248.2	305.2
1967 .....	365.3	302.2	263.1	288.1	842.4	258.4	322.6
1966 - January ....	331.2	291.5	250.6	272.2	705.4	244.6	296.6
April .....	349.5	293.8	254.9	272.2	798.5	248.7	309.2
August .....	349.0	293.9	256.4	272.2	789.4	251.4	309.9
1967 - January ....	354.8	301.6	260.7	288.1	788.4	252.3	313.8
April .....	370.8	302.8	263.6	288.1	873.3	258.3	325.8
August .....	370.4	302.1	265.1	288.1	865.6	264.6	328.1
1968 - January ....	368.0	313.2	269.1	288.1	835.7	265.0	326.8
April .....							
August .....							
Eastern Canada							
1949 .....	208.9	157.9	183.3	126.1	368.5	171.5	193.9
1965 .....	329.0	286.6	241.7	266.3	661.3	240.8	293.7
1966 .....	354.9	292.2	249.2	283.0	754.1	248.7	312.6
1967 .....	378.5	301.3	260.1	298.2	825.2	260.0	331.1
1966 - January ....	346.9	289.9	244.4	283.0	728.2	244.6	306.0
April .....	360.5	293.3	251.1	283.0	776.6	249.2	316.0
August .....	357.4	293.3	252.1	283.0	757.5	252.3	315.3
1967 - January ....	372.3	301.2	257.5	298.2	801.8	253.5	324.8
April .....	383.5	301.4	261.3	298.2	846.7	260.3	334.2
August .....	379.7	301.2	261.5	298.2	827.0	266.3	334.3
1968 - January ....	384.4	311.0	263.8	298.2	843.7	267.0	337.4
April .....							
August .....							
Western Canada							
1949 .....	199.2	158.4	177.4	149.4	380.1	174.9	189.5
1965 .....	314.6	284.2	252.8	252.9	699.3	240.4	284.9
1966 .....	331.6	293.5	258.6	262.9	779.1	247.7	298.0
1967 .....	352.1	302.0	265.9	279.6	866.9	256.8	314.0
1966 - January ....	315.6	292.2	256.6	262.9	672.9	244.5	287.2
April .....	338.6	294.0	258.6	262.9	829.6	248.2	302.4
August .....	340.6	294.2	260.7	262.9	834.8	250.5	304.5
1967 - January ....	337.2	301.7	263.8	279.6	769.3	251.1	302.8
April .....	357.9	302.0	265.4	279.6	911.0	256.3	317.2
August .....	361.2	302.4	268.6	279.6	920.4	263.0	321.9
1968 - January ....	351.5	314.1	274.2	279.6	824.4	263.1	315.1
April .....							
August .....							

(1) 1968 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

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

Item	Canada			Maritimes			Quebec		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967
	dollars								
Corn, cracked .....	3.77	3.79	4.14	4.18	4.22	4.74	3.66	3.67	4.10
Oats, unground .....	3.50	3.49	3.43	3.66	3.63	3.52	3.56	3.56	3.57
Barley, ground .....	3.44	3.43	3.47	3.75	3.77	3.65	3.49	3.49	3.63
Wheat, unground .....	3.89	3.89	3.94	4.22	4.24	4.24	3.86	3.85	4.02
Bran .....	3.41	3.42	3.62	3.36	3.41	3.64	3.32	3.35	3.68
Shorts .....	3.51	3.53	3.70	3.38	3.48	3.70	3.41	3.46	3.74
Middlings .....	3.65	3.71	3.89	3.60	3.69	3.98	3.60	3.68	3.90
Linseed oil meal .....	5.95	5.94	5.85	6.63	6.64	6.38	5.85	5.82	5.87
Soybean oil meal .....	6.42	6.40	6.47	7.58	7.61	7.13	6.35	6.36	6.56
Calf starter (20-24%) .....	5.63	5.65	5.62	5.71	5.77	5.64	5.37	5.38	5.38
Dairy ration (16%) .....	4.06	4.07	4.06	4.21	4.20	4.10	4.08	4.08	4.15
Dairy supplement (24%) (East) .....	4.92	4.92	4.93	4.84	4.88	4.91	4.93	4.94	4.95
Dairy supplement (32%) (West) .....	5.42	5.42	5.40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pig starter mash .....	5.38	5.39	5.46	5.38	5.40	5.52	5.43	5.45	5.55
Hog concentrate (35%) .....	6.82	6.84	6.83	7.45	7.45	7.45	6.89	6.91	7.01
Hog grower mash .....	4.27	4.28	4.35	4.53	4.54	4.54	4.31	4.33	4.43
Chick starter mash (18-20%) .....	5.47	5.49	5.58	5.68	5.72	6.06	5.40	5.42	5.64
Growing mash .....	4.81	4.81	4.87	4.86	4.91	4.93	4.94	4.93	5.10
Laying mash (17-20%) .....	4.83	4.83	4.89	5.11	5.15	5.20	4.94	4.95	5.08
Broiler starter mash (20-23%) .....	5.54	5.56	5.71	6.05	6.00	6.12	5.61	5.64	5.81
Turkey growing mash .....	5.25	5.27	5.31	5.70	5.70	5.75	5.56	5.55	5.63
	dollars								
	Ontario			Prairies			British Columbia		
	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967	May 1968	April 1968	May 1967
Corn, cracked .....	3.47	3.50	3.89	4.76	4.76	4.72	4.49	4.54	4.57
Oats, unground .....	3.52	3.51	3.47	2.63	2.64	2.63	3.83	3.81	3.55
Barley, ground .....	3.53	3.52	3.59	2.66	2.67	2.66	3.64	3.59	3.46
Wheat, unground .....	3.92	3.92	3.99	3.26	3.28	3.32	4.15	4.14	4.00
Bran .....	3.41	3.44	3.67	3.52	3.47	3.47	3.42	3.44	3.58
Shorts .....	3.56	3.58	3.76	3.53	3.49	3.53	3.59	3.61	3.68
Middlings .....	3.68	3.73	3.90	3.58	3.58	3.53	3.84	3.84	3.77
Linseed oil meal .....	5.79	5.78	5.68	5.90	5.90	5.73	6.44	6.44	6.35
Soybean oil meal .....	6.05	6.03	6.18	6.96	6.96	6.68	6.71	6.71	6.93
Calf starter (20-24%) .....	5.85	5.86	5.78	5.41	5.39	5.35	6.01	6.03	6.13
Dairy ration (16%) .....	4.04	4.05	4.07	3.75	3.76	3.77	4.26	4.27	4.12
Dairy supplement (24%) .....	4.82	4.82	4.83	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dairy supplement (32%) .....	-	-	-	5.38	5.37	5.34	6.10	6.10	5.85
Pig starter mash .....	5.48	5.49	5.58	5.42	5.45	5.48	4.79	4.77	4.75
Hog concentrate (35%) .....	6.81	6.84	6.88	6.66	6.63	6.43	6.70	6.70	6.70
Hog grower mash .....	4.28	4.28	4.41	3.80	3.82	3.84	4.46	4.47	4.39
Chick starter mash (18-20%) .....	5.68	5.69	5.81	5.19	5.20	5.17	5.59	5.63	5.36
Growing mash .....	4.90	4.89	4.96	4.37	4.38	4.42	4.96	5.00	4.77
Laying mash (17-20%) .....	4.82	4.82	4.94	4.50	4.49	4.50	4.89	4.88	4.73
Broiler starter mash (20-23%) .....	5.62	5.64	5.86	5.40	5.40	5.34	5.58	5.61	5.92
Turkey growing mash .....	5.50	5.52	5.59	4.74	4.79	4.97	5.34	5.35	5.00

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

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices

(1956=100)

Investors index										
Current number of stocks	Inves-tors total (114)	Total indus-trials (80)	Indus-trial mines (4)	Foods (11)	Bever-ages (7)	Textiles and clothing (5)	Pulp and paper (7)	Printing and publish-ing (4)	Primary metals (8)	Metal fabri-cating (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
1964	160.3	163.6	169.7	190.9	219.6	291.9	161.8	326.4	118.6	136.5
1965	176.2	181.6	194.9	215.7	245.2	353.6	156.8	416.8	126.5	144.6
1966	166.2	172.7	190.4	207.8	208.4	309.1	138.5	467.9	120.1	135.3
1967	174.2	182.4	197.4	209.9	237.2	229.6	132.1	644.0	108.5	115.5
1966 - Sept.	152.7	158.1	171.8	196.4	183.9	272.6	132.1	437.5	106.3	119.3
Oct.	149.1	154.6	167.6	188.8	185.7	251.4	128.3	438.2	100.3	109.1
Nov.	152.4	158.8	171.3	191.6	197.5	253.5	129.7	465.7	101.0	108.1
Dec.	154.6	161.8	179.6	194.7	204.4	261.5	124.8	483.9	99.4	106.7
1967 - Jan.	163.3	171.1	185.2	200.4	218.5	285.2	132.6	512.4	109.6	114.8
Feb.	168.8	176.3	189.2	205.8	224.4	285.5	142.5	527.6	115.0	119.0
Mar.	171.4	177.4	186.1	211.9	232.8	262.2	148.8	553.5	113.4	118.7
Apr.	174.8	180.4	187.5	215.8	238.4	243.7	147.6	581.0	115.8	117.8
May	175.3	181.6	188.5	219.1	240.6	218.2	141.0	637.3	116.0	117.2
June	174.5	181.7	193.6	211.3	239.5	205.4	134.4	661.2	110.4	115.9
July	177.5	185.2	198.2	210.8	238.6	217.7	133.5	694.1	108.4	119.1
Aug.	180.8	189.3	201.6	215.7	248.8	223.8	131.8	728.2	110.9	120.0
Sept.	181.0	190.4	203.0	216.7	249.0	229.5	130.0	739.7	108.8	117.7
Oct.	176.3	187.3	208.3	208.9	241.0	213.1	121.9	716.5	102.1	115.9
Nov.	173.7	183.7	208.8	203.2	238.8	197.1	113.7	703.7	95.4	106.7
Dec.	173.6	184.5	219.2	199.7	235.7	173.4	107.5	673.4	95.7	103.4
1968 - Jan.	174.4	185.2	214.6	205.6	247.9	172.6	104.8	673.6	94.9	106.0
Feb.	163.8	172.8	199.8	198.3	237.4	152.8	97.1	630.2	88.2	96.8
Mar.	157.7	167.2	203.1	178.1	235.5	130.4	87.9	610.7	83.2	94.1
Apr.	169.1	178.8	210.8	180.2	251.3	130.1	97.0	682.5	87.4	104.2
May	171.2	181.0	208.2	191.4	259.0	142.4	93.6	688.7	87.6	115.3
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
Weekly index:										
May 2	173.2	182.9	213.2	188.4	259.0	139.3	94.2	700.3	90.1	106.0
May 9	172.9	182.5	214.3	191.3	260.0	146.7	93.5	674.3	89.0	109.7
May 16	171.1	181.0	204.9	192.1	258.5	143.2	93.4	705.4	88.5	117.0
May 23	169.5	179.8	206.8	193.2	257.4	138.0	93.3	684.7	86.3	118.8
May 30	169.5	179.0	202.0	191.9	260.2	144.6	93.6	678.9	84.3	124.9

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

(1956=100)

Investors index										
Current number of stocks	Non-metallic minerals	Petro-leum	Chemicals	Con-struction	Retail trade	Total utili-ties	Pipe-line	Trans-portion	Tele-phone	Elec-tric-power
	(4)	(7)	(4)	(4)	(6)	(20)	(5)	(4)	(3)	(5)
1958 .....	107.3	94.0	78.6	103.1	139.8	100.4	105.5	83.9	87.2	107.9
1959 .....	116.2	87.1	96.9	137.7	175.9	109.7	117.2	88.7	90.5	126.0
1960 .....	95.3	78.2	84.2	104.4	142.5	104.7	106.2	76.6	97.7	116.3
1961 .....	97.3	102.6	89.1	111.9	177.3	125.8	136.4	83.7	117.0	128.6
1962 .....	103.2	101.7	102.3	89.2	157.3	123.1	141.1	83.2	117.9	110.6
1963 .....	129.9	99.2	129.6	71.6	176.0	135.9	152.7	101.7	124.1	126.0
1964 .....	152.5	115.0	166.8	69.7	229.0	153.7	178.6	149.0	130.8	132.3
1965 .....	169.7	120.6	182.1	86.0	274.8	171.4	183.1	207.1	139.9	139.2
1966 .....	140.0	122.7	147.6	79.9	259.2	162.7	159.8	192.3	122.6	148.4
1967 .....	124.7	155.8	128.3	64.5	255.5	167.8	184.2	208.6	114.7	137.3
1966 - Sept. ....	130.4	116.3	140.5	72.1	243.5	151.0	147.9	184.2	114.7	135.5
Oct. ....	127.7	118.9	134.0	66.9	237.7	146.0	147.0	175.1	109.0	130.1
Nov. ....	124.1	125.0	134.8	68.1	238.1	147.0	149.2	175.4	109.5	127.3
Dec. ....	120.8	131.2	129.4	61.9	234.4	149.1	152.1	181.0	110.9	125.6
1967 - Jan. ....	130.2	141.0	134.4	65.0	243.4	156.0	161.6	187.6	115.2	131.9
Feb. ....	133.4	142.8	142.8	67.0	247.1	160.9	164.3	202.9	116.2	140.8
Mar. ....	137.3	139.1	149.5	63.8	250.2	166.1	170.8	212.3	120.5	141.8
Apr. ....	138.7	147.0	151.0	65.8	247.6	170.6	180.5	221.1	120.6	143.0
May ....	145.0	147.4	141.9	68.2	244.9	168.5	181.0	220.4	121.6	137.7
June ....	130.1	152.9	128.5	66.6	244.3	171.0	193.1	223.5	118.8	132.8
July ....	124.4	162.1	124.8	64.5	248.2	175.2	201.7	227.2	116.4	138.0
Aug. ....	123.4	164.1	123.0	64.6	256.5	175.7	197.8	223.5	115.3	139.8
Sept. ....	122.4	165.1	122.6	65.3	273.5	173.4	196.6	206.3	111.9	142.8
Oct. ....	116.8	164.8	112.9	62.9	274.2	167.5	186.6	201.1	108.7	137.3
Nov. ....	104.6	167.0	109.7	62.6	269.5	166.6	190.2	192.2	107.5	133.3
Dec. ....	89.8	176.7	98.3	58.2	266.3	161.8	186.8	185.7	104.1	128.6
1968 - Jan. ....	98.7	178.6	100.4	63.7	273.3	162.3	181.1	181.3	104.8	129.6
Feb. ....	92.0	162.7	94.0	61.2	259.4	153.7	156.0	171.1	103.8	122.8
Mar. ....	85.8	150.6	92.4	58.7	247.9	146.1	155.6	164.8	101.9	117.2
Apr. ....	88.8	160.4	100.4	66.2	277.1	154.1	164.0	171.0	104.7	121.9
May ....	95.5	163.3	105.9	71.3	284.0	154.0	167.6	176.7	101.5	120.0
June ....										
July ....										
Aug. ....										
Sept. ....										
Oct. ....										
Nov. ....										
Dec. ....										
Weekly index:										
May 2 .....	98.6	164.7	108.0	70.2	288.2	157.3	170.3	173.7	104.0	127.9
May 9 .....	100.3	164.4	110.8	70.1	287.7	155.7	169.7	174.1	102.0	123.6
May 16 .....	94.6	163.6	103.3	74.7	284.4	152.3	166.0	173.6	100.9	116.7
May 23 .....	92.3	161.0	104.6	72.0	280.9	151.4	163.0	177.9	100.1	117.0
May 30 .....	91.7	162.8	103.0	69.3	278.8	153.5	168.8	184.2	100.5	114.9

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-tribution	Total fi-nance	Banks	Invest-ment and loan	Total (1) mining	Gold	Base metals	Ura-nium	Primary oils and gas	Pre-ferred stocks
	(5)	(14)	(6)	(8)	(24)	(13)	(11)	(6)	(6)	(24)
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
1964 .....	244.0	152.5	143.6	169.1	101.1	115.0	93.5	84.0	80.7	103.5
1965 .....	290.8	155.3	143.2	178.2	113.3	133.1	102.5	128.3	99.4	102.8
1966 .....	314.6	138.6	132.1	150.8	112.0	133.8	100.1	180.7	115.4	92.0
1967 .....	348.8	142.5	141.6	143.8	102.6	131.6	86.7	244.1	184.3	87.9
1966 - Sept. ....	286.8	128.0	122.2	138.8	107.6	134.3	93.0	188.3	114.5	89.2
Oct. ....	282.2	125.9	120.9	135.1	101.5	125.6	88.2	196.4	124.0	88.4
Nov. ....	292.5	127.9	123.3	136.3	96.9	114.8	87.2	198.4	130.9	87.8
Dec. ....	299.6	126.1	122.6	132.4	95.6	116.9	83.9	189.8	151.5	85.3
1967 - Jan. ....	312.3	134.3	130.3	141.5	102.6	123.0	91.3	195.0	160.1	87.0
Feb. ....	312.6	141.8	136.8	151.0	103.1	123.0	92.2	189.5	154.3	89.6
Mar. ....	322.8	148.5	146.4	152.3	99.3	117.9	89.2	203.9	158.6	90.7
Apr. ....	333.4	152.6	151.1	155.2	99.9	122.8	87.4	222.1	165.9	91.9
May ....	318.6	152.6	150.7	155.6	98.9	126.4	83.9	243.1	159.8	91.4
June ....	337.2	143.6	141.3	147.4	101.3	134.6	83.1	261.2	173.6	90.2
July ....	355.8	142.6	142.8	141.6	100.0	128.2	84.5	261.5	190.8	90.5
Aug. ....	375.1	146.2	146.9	144.4	103.9	135.1	86.7	255.4	205.9	90.6
Sept. ....	383.7	145.1	146.6	141.8	105.1	135.9	88.3	272.1	216.6	87.2
Oct. ....	375.4	133.7	132.9	134.8	106.1	141.1	87.0	283.6	207.5	83.6
Nov. ....	384.0	133.6	134.2	131.8	104.0	139.6	84.6	273.4	197.8	82.2
Dec. ....	374.2	135.4	139.1	127.8	107.0	152.1	82.3	268.6	220.4	80.0
1968 - Jan. ....	392.4	137.4	141.9	128.3	111.6	163.2	83.4	276.5	228.1	80.6
Feb. ....	366.6	132.8	137.1	124.0	109.8	163.3	80.6	243.5	193.1	79.1
Mar. ....	336.5	126.1	131.0	116.3	109.6	163.3	80.2	239.4	174.3	76.9
Apr. ....	374.0	141.7	150.6	124.2	102.4	149.4	76.7	251.3	189.9	75.4
May ....	374.7	145.9	154.6	128.6	107.3	158.1	79.5	255.7	189.3	75.6
June ....										
July ....										
Aug. ....										
Sept. ....										
Oct. ....										
Nov. ....										
Dec. ....										
Weekly index:										
May 2 .....	380.5	146.7	156.3	127.6	105.6	152.5	79.9	255.7	187.0	..
May 9 .....	381.7	148.4	158.1	129.2	105.9	155.5	78.7	264.6	187.8	..
May 16 .....	373.5	147.5	155.8	131.1	107.6	158.5	79.7	257.1	190.7	..
May 23 .....	366.9	142.7	150.0	128.1	109.8	163.7	80.2	254.1	187.7	..
May 30 .....	370.7	144.2	152.8	127.2	107.8	160.3	79.1	247.0	193.1	..

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

.. Figures not available.

Revised Highway Construction Price Indexes (1956=100)(1)

The Price Indexes of Highway Construction in Canada express prices paid by provincial governments in contracts awarded for highway construction each year as a percentage of prices paid in 1956. Base-weighted indexes are published annually and measure, through time, the effect of price change on the cost of specific programmes of highway construction in Canada represented by highway construction contracts of \$50,000 or more awarded by specified provincial governments over the period 1956 to 1966. Weights of items in the index, representing the relative importance of units of construction in the specified base-period are held constant. Only prices change from year to year, and the index thus measures the movement of prices through time. The 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 roadwork, and as historical measurements of price trends in highway construction.

These indexes do not necessarily reflect the price movements of non-contract construction or maintenance work. The indexes are designed to measure price changes through time for a fixed programme of highway construction, in each of the seven provinces. Because price levels in the base-period varied from province to province the indexes cannot be used to compare price differences between 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 put in place 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 highway construction work are annual weighted averages of bid prices of units of construction in groups of contracts awarded,(2) classified by price-determining characteristics of the contracts and the bid items such as volume of the bid item, type of contract 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, DBS Catalogue No. 62-520. A description of the revision is contained in December 1967 issue of Prices and Price Indexes, DBS Catalogue No. 62-002. Reprints of the article contained in this publication are available on request.

(1) The years refer to fiscal years. Thus 1966 refers to the period April 1, 1966 to March 31, 1967.

(2) There may be a considerable time lag between the letting of the contract and the completion of the job.

TABLE 17. Base-weighted Highway Construction Price Indexes All-items and Major Components, Combined Annually, 1956-66(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		
		Grading	Granular base courses	Surface courses
1956	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957	92.8	88.6	93.2	101.1
1958	84.4	82.2	83.4	91.1
1959	85.2	81.7	86.8	90.1
1960	84.0	81.3	82.8	92.1
1961	76.0	71.9	79.3	79.3
1962	78.8	77.4	77.4	84.2
1963	84.0	84.9	82.2	85.1
1964	86.3	85.3	87.0	87.1
1965	99.5	98.7	104.2	93.3
1966	106.5	105.9	111.2	100.0
1967				
1968				
1969				

TABLE 18. Base-weighted Highway Construction All-items Price Indexes for Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, Annually, 1956-66(1)

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

	Newfoundland	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	British Columbia
1956	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1957	84.1	90.9	97.2	87.5	112.0	102.8	93.1
1958	95.6	90.1	103.3	81.4	83.8	79.7	78.4
1959	87.3	95.6	102.6	84.8	82.4	72.8	80.1
1960	91.6	102.9	96.9	79.9	87.4	69.1	79.8
1961	73.4	86.9	100.1	74.5	75.1	65.6	70.2
1962	80.1	85.3	99.4	82.1	81.2	64.5	66.9
1963	74.2	83.3	102.3	94.3	90.3	67.4	68.0
1964	80.0	83.8	103.8	92.1	92.9	76.6	74.5
1965	88.2	101.6	103.3	107.3	100.2	94.7	89.7
1966	95.7	100.8	103.8	117.3	114.9	110.2	91.0
1967							
1968							
1969							

(1) Major components for the provincial indexes were presented in the December 1967 issue of Prices and Price Indexes.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price Series

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 price 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 1913-50 (Reference Paper No. 24) Prices and Price Indexes 1949-52 (Vol. 23) (Catalogue No. 62-501)

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.

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

Wheat prices used in the index are buying prices of the Canadian Wheat Board for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Manitoba Northern at Fort William - Port Arthur. Prices for western oats and barley are also supplied by the Wheat Board and quotations relating to No. 2 C.W., No. 3 C.W. and No. 1 Feed Oats and to Nos. 1 and 2 feed barley are included in the price index. Initial payments are first used in the index calculation and are revised as further payments are announced.

Final participation payments for the crop year August 1966 - July 1967 were announced on March 14, 1968 for oats and barley and on March 27, 1968 for wheat. Initial and final payments recently included in the index are shown in the following Table.

	Unit	Final participation	Initial payments	Initial payments
		payments 1966-67 indexes revised August 1966 - July 1967	1966-67 included in index August 1966 - July 1967	1967-68 included in index August 1967
		\$	\$	\$
<u>Wheat</u>				
No. 1 Manitoba Northern .....	bushel	1.982	1.50	1.70
No. 2 Manitoba Northern .....	bushel	1.956	1.46	1.66
No. 3 Manitoba Northern .....	bushel	1.912	1.42	1.62
<u>Oats</u>				
No. 2 C.W. ....	bushel	.832	.60	.65
No. 3 C.W. ....	bushel	.801	.57	.62
No. 1 Feed Oats .....	bushel	.793	.55	.60
<u>Barley</u>				
No. 1 Feed .....	bushel	1.205	.87	.77
No. 2 Feed .....	bushel	1.183	.84	.74

The Residential and Non-Residential Building Materials Price Indexes

The building materials indexes, shown in Tables 6 and 7 of this publication are constructed to measure price change of materials used in residential and non-residential building construction.

The residential building materials index in Table 6 is calculated on the base 1935-39 = 100, and using weights derived from the estimated material requirement for a national housing target for the year 1946, contains a total materials index for residential buildings, together with indexes for nine component groups. In Table 3 the total residential building materials index has been converted arithmetically to the base 1949=100 for easier comparison with other series.

The non-residential building materials index, which appears in Table 7, measures price change for materials used in non-residential building construction. This index is calculated on the base 1949 = 100 with weights derived from cost data provided by general and trade contractors for a sample of buildings constructed in Canada in the years 1948-1950.

Beginning in 1966 the sample of prices used to calculate the indexes has been revised while the weighting patterns and time bases have been left as described above. The new prices have been selected from the industry classified system of prices shown in Table 2 of this publication entitled "Industry Selling Price Index". For the latter indexes, prices collected are manufacturers' prices, f.o.b. plant with discounts to the largest class of customer removed; freight and taxes are excluded. Federal sales tax has been added to these prices where applicable.

For the residential building materials index, in addition to selecting new prices from the Industry Selling Price Indexes, the commodities included in 1966 have been revised following consultation with industry specialists, to produce a shorter but more efficient sample of commonly-used commodities. Greater regional coverage has been sought with a view to ultimately publishing as many regional commodity price indexes as possible. Also, a programme of experimental pricing is underway to determine the validity of using manufacturers' selling prices to represent price movement of wholesalers' and retailers' prices to contractors and other builders.

As well as updating the commodity coverage for the residential index, the new price sample has the advantage of measuring price change at a consistent level in the distribution process and is based on the wide range of commodity detail available in the Industry Selling Price Index. Also, the treatment of price discontinuities is handled in the same manner as described in the reference paper for the Industry Selling Price Index referred to below.

The new commodities introduced and the new price sample have been "linked" into the index at the level of the old price sample at the beginning of 1966 so that the movement of the index has not been affected by the changeover. The same component groups will continue to be published. The tables following show the items used and their percentage weights.

Explanations of the basic methods of construction and weighting patterns for the building materials indexes are contained in the following publications:

1. Price Index numbers of Residential Building Materials 1926-48, Catalogue 18-7080 - Price \$ .10.
2. Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index 1935-52, Catalogue 8002-524 - Price \$ .25.

A complete description of the characteristics of the Industry Selling Price Indexes and methods of sample selection will be found in: Industry Selling Price Indexes 1956-59 - Cat. 62-515.

Residential Building Materials  
Commodities Included Beginning February 1966  
Items and Groups

	<u>Item</u> <u>weight</u>	<u>Group</u> <u>weight</u>		<u>Item</u> <u>weight</u>	<u>Group</u> <u>weight</u>
Concrete products .....	100.00	7.61	Roofing materials .....	100.00	2.89
Ready-mix concrete .....	86.07		Asphalt shingles .....	100.00	
Concrete blocks .....	13.93		Paint and glass .....	100.00	3.20
Bricks .....	100.00	4.97	Paint .....	74.06	
Clay bricks .....	100.00		Glass .....	25.94	
Lumber and lumber products .....	100.00	42.64	Plumbing and heating .....	100.00	18.57
Framing lumber .....	24.83		Plumbing .....	66.50	
Spruce			Copper pipe		
Douglas fir			Bathtubs		
Sheathing lumber .....	7.17		Closet combinations		
Spruce			Wash basins		
Douglas fir			Deck sets		
Plywood .....	7.17		Water tank heaters		
Spruce			Heating .....	33.50	
Aspen and poplar			Boilers		
Douglas fir			Furnaces, gas		
Fibreboard .....	7.18		Furnaces, oil		
Siding .....	5.37		Electrical equipment and fixtures .....	100.00	3.85
White pine			Panelboards .....	33.33	
Cedar			Lighting fixtures .....	33.33	
Flooring .....	10.36		Wire .....	33.34	
Birch			Metal products .....	100.00	4.96
Red oak			Structural steel beams .....	25.00	
Doors .....	12.64		Locksets .....	25.00	
Window frames .....	12.64		Nails .....	25.00	
Kitchen cupboards .....	12.64		Exterior aluminum cladding .....	25.00	
Wallboard and insulation .....	100.00	11.31	Total .....		100.00
Gypsum wallboard .....	75.42				
Mineral wool .....	24.58				
Total .....		100.00			

Non-residential Building Materials  
Commodities Included - Beginning February 1968  
Items and Groups

	<u>Item weight</u>	<u>Group weight</u>		<u>Item weight</u>	<u>Group weight</u>
Concrete products	100.00	11.10	Electrical equipment and fixtures .....	100.00	11.50
Ready-mix concrete .....	100.00		Control panels .....	20.00	
Blocks, brick and building stone ...	100.00	9.10	Transformers .....	10.00	
Concrete blocks .....	14.40		Conduit .....	25.00	
Bricks .....	54.80		Lighting fixtures .....	25.00	
Building stone .....	30.80		Outlet and switch boxes .....	5.00	
Tile .....	100.00	3.80	Wire .....	15.00	
Ceramic .....	10.80		Steel and metal work .....	100.00	20.10
Acoustic .....	14.10		Structural steel .....	48.40	
Terracotta .....	32.30		Reinforcing steel .....	34.70	
Terrazzo .....	42.80		Metal fire doors .....	8.80	
Lumber and lumber products .....	100.00	10.50	Metal windows .....	6.60	
Plywood-douglas fir .....	5.00		Sheet metal .....	1.50	
Millwork .....	40.00		Hardware .....	100.00	3.70
Sash doors			Wire nails		
Matched lumber			Wire cloth		
Planed lumber			Wallboard and insulation .....	100.00	2.30
Mouldings			Gypsum wallboard .....	3.40	
Flooring .....	5.00		Gypsum lath .....	61.10	
Birch			Stucco .....	6.00	
Red oak			Mineral wool .....	29.50	
Structural lumber .....	50.00		Roofing materials .....	100.00	2.90
Spruce			Asphalt shingles		
Douglas fir			Roll roofing, rag and asbestos		
Hemlock			Felts, tar and asphalt		
White pine			Paint and glass .....	100.00	1.30
Jack pine			Paint .....	40.40	
Plumbing, heating & other equipment	100.00	21.40	Glass .....	59.60	
Plumbing .....	32.30		Miscellaneous .....	100.00	1.70
Copper pipe			Floor tiles .....	100.00	
Faucets & combinations			Total .....		100.00
Valves, brass or bronze					
Plumbing fixtures					
Heating .....	44.90				
Furnaces					
Boilers					
Radiators					
Other equipment .....	22.80				
Air conditioners					
Elevators					
Sprinklers					

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 DBS 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 Pipelines 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 indexes, see Prices and Price Indexes for February 1968. The following changes have occurred to the list of stocks: In April, MacLean-Hunter Publishing Co. Ltd. changed its name to MacLean-Hunter Ltd., Canada Iron Foundries changed its name to Canon Ltd., and Stanrock Uranium Mines Ltd. was introduced into the Uraniums index to replace Gunnar Mining Ltd., Lorado Uranium Mines Ltd., and Rayrock Mines Ltd.

New companies that were added to the Golds sub-group as a result of a revision of the Mining index components, effective June 6, 1968 are Aunor Gold Mines Ltd., Campbell Red Lake Mines Ltd., Macassa Gold Mines Ltd., Pamour Porcupine Mines Ltd., and Sigma Mines (Quebec) Ltd., those deleted being Barnat Mines Ltd., Leitch Gold Mines Ltd., Malartic Gold Fields (Quebec) Ltd., Pickle Crow Gold Mines Ltd., and Teck Corp. Ltd. Those companies added to the Base Metals sub-group were Granisle Copper Ltd., Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines Ltd., Mattagami Lake Mines Ltd., New Imperial Mines Ltd., Northgate Exploration Ltd., Opemiska Copper Mines (Quebec) Ltd., and United Asbestos Corp. Ltd., replacing Campbell Chibougamau Mines Ltd., Craigmont Mines Ltd., Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co. Ltd., New Calumet Mines Ltd., Pine Point Mines Ltd., United Keno Hill Mines Ltd. and Willroy Mines Ltd.

## 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 (1949-1960) - Revision Based on 1957 Expenditures", DBS 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-M 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.

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 and consumption patterns had remained constant. The following illustration shows how this kind of an adjustment can be made.

Suppose that a series of average weekly wages rises from \$80.00 in week A to \$100.00 in week B, and that in the same interval a consumer price index advances from 100.00 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, a 25 per cent rise from \$80.00 to \$100.00 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 \$100.00 by the amount of the consumer price increase. The adjusted average is \$90.91 ( $100.00/110.0 \times 100.0$ ), which 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 \$80.00 and the week B figure of \$90.91. Taking the week A average of \$80.00 as equal to 100.0, the week B index becomes 113.6 ( $90.91/80.00 \times 100.0$ ). Such an index may be called an index of weekly real wages. It indicates that average wages for week B will buy 13.6 per cent more goods and services than those received in week A, in spite of a 10 per cent rise in consumer prices. This 13.6 per cent increase in real wages compares with the rise of 25 per cent in money wages ( $100.00/80.00 \times 100.0$ ).

It should be noted that while the estimates of average real wages may reflect the experiences 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 sex of the wage-earner. Moreover, individual spending habits differ widely, but the consumer price index which is used to adjust the earnings data refers only to the average consumption pattern of a particular income group. 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 may be saved, and it should be borne in mind that it is not appropriate to reduce savings to a constant dollar basis by using index 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, pay deductions for such things as social insurance and pension plans. 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, and in addition to the factors already mentioned, do not take into account other family income (including family allowances) or changes in the savings position of families.

The table in this report showing indexes of both actual and real wages uses 1961 as a reference year. However, the adjustment made in the foregoing illustration can be applied to any reference level; percentage change between any two periods will be the same regardless of the reference period selected.

Spatial Retail Food Price Indexes for Selected Canadian Cities

1958-67

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 1958-67, 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 33. 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 eliminate completely 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.

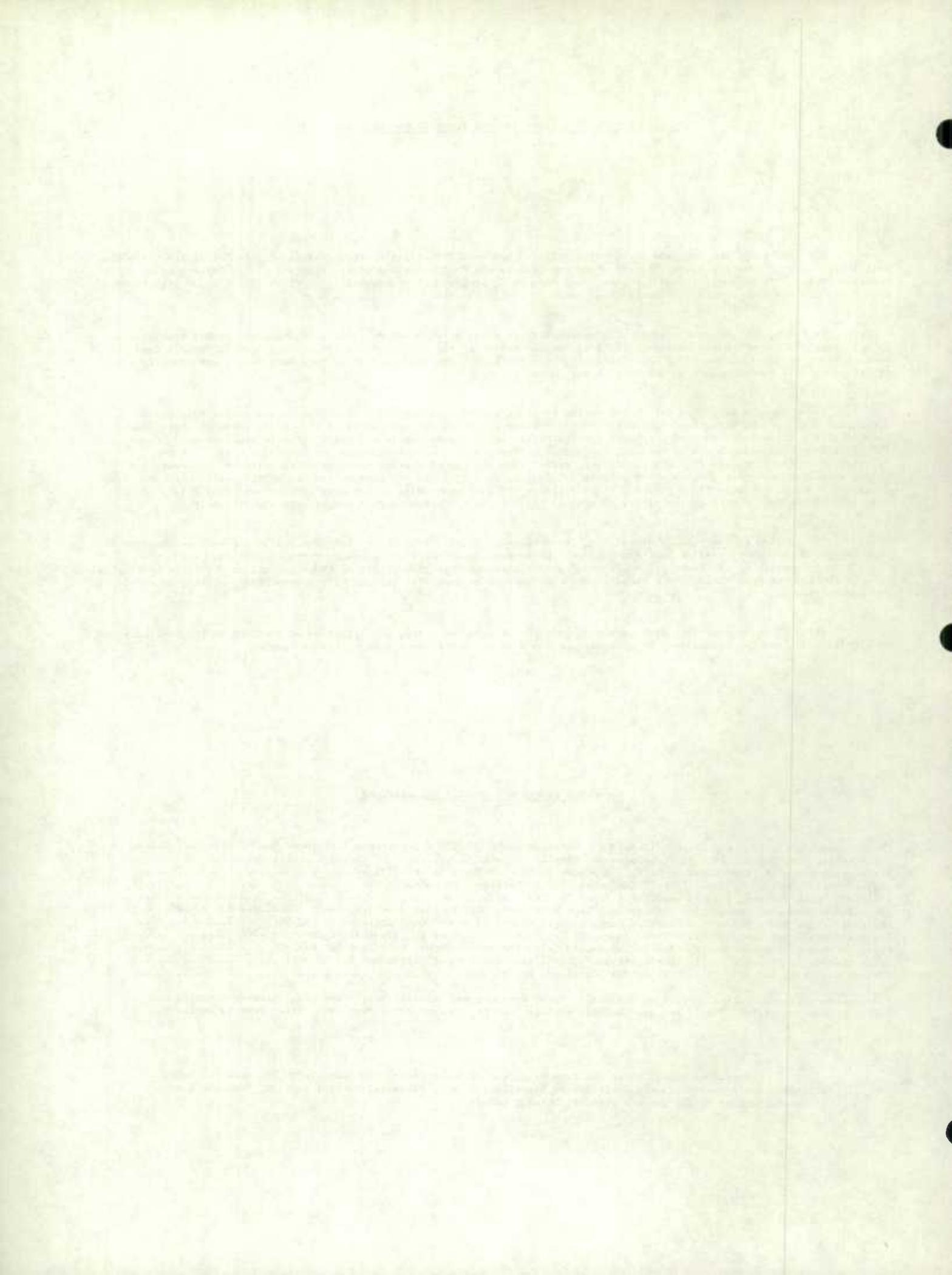
While these indexes have been expressed in terms of Winnipeg = 100, the selection of Winnipeg as the base city has no significance, and the indexes may be expressed on the base of any of the eleven cities included.

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