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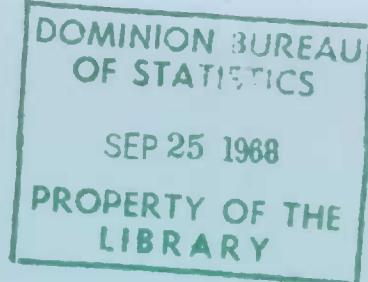
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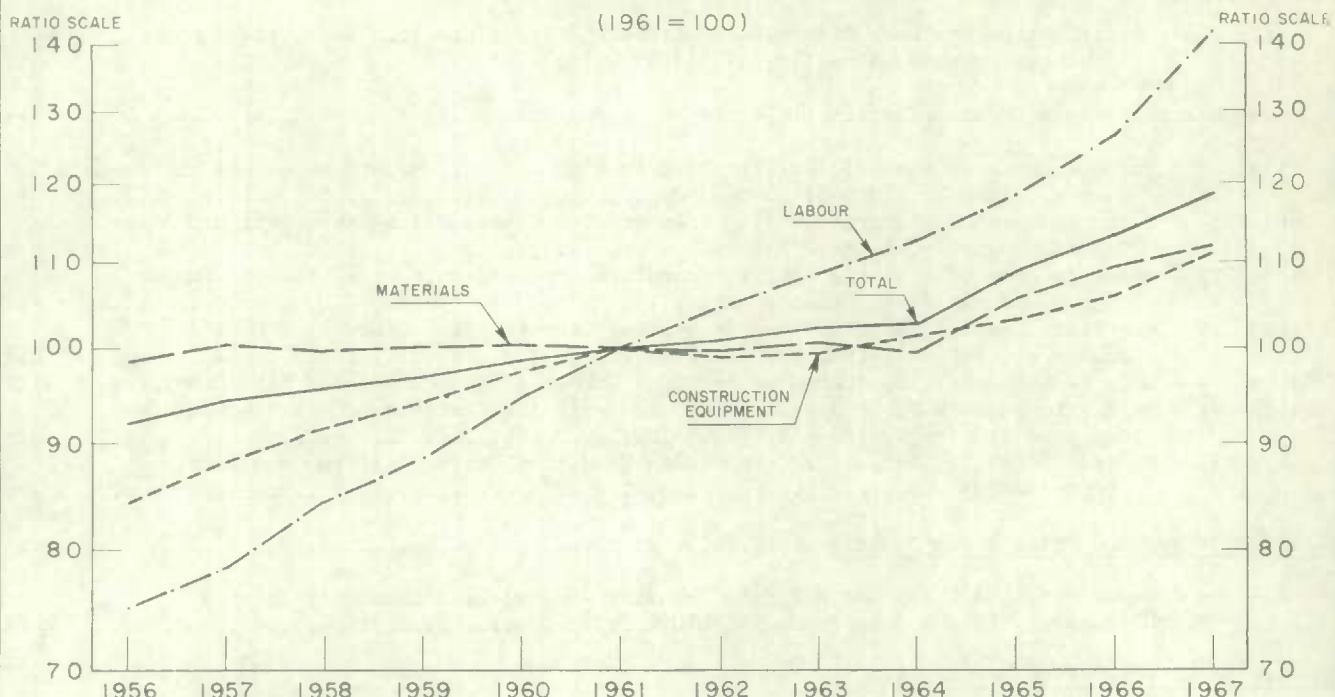
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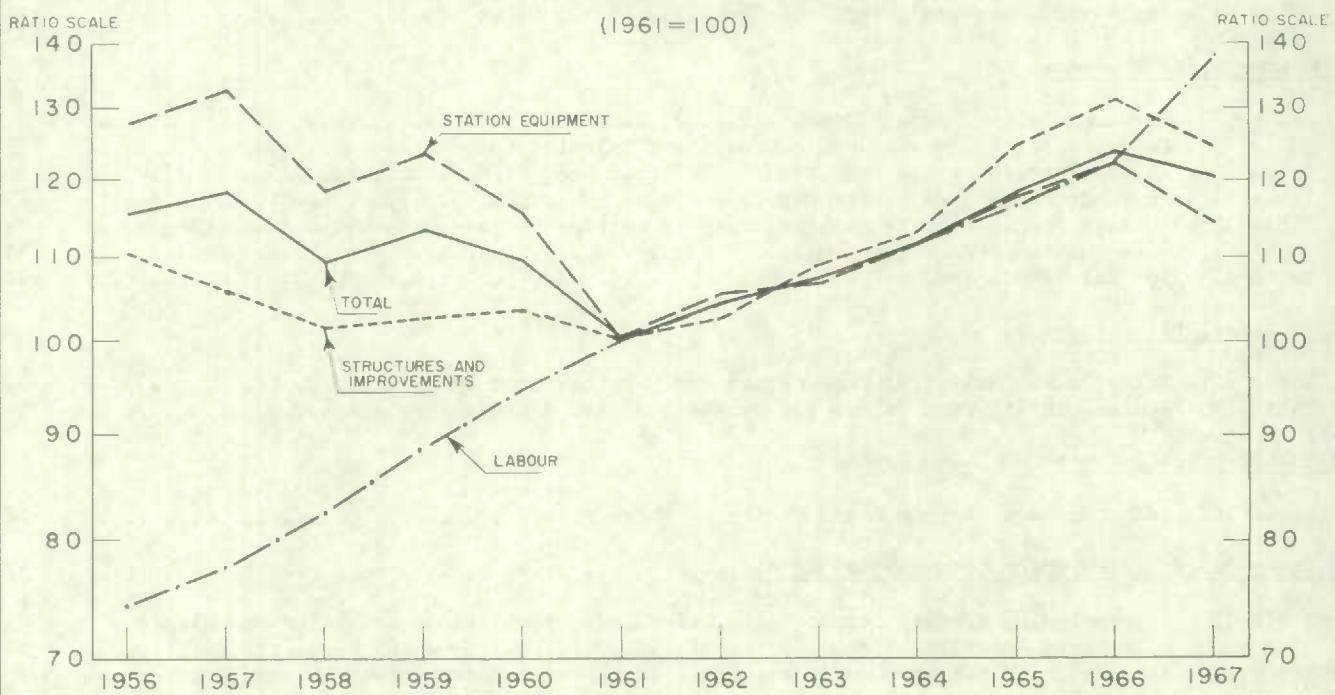
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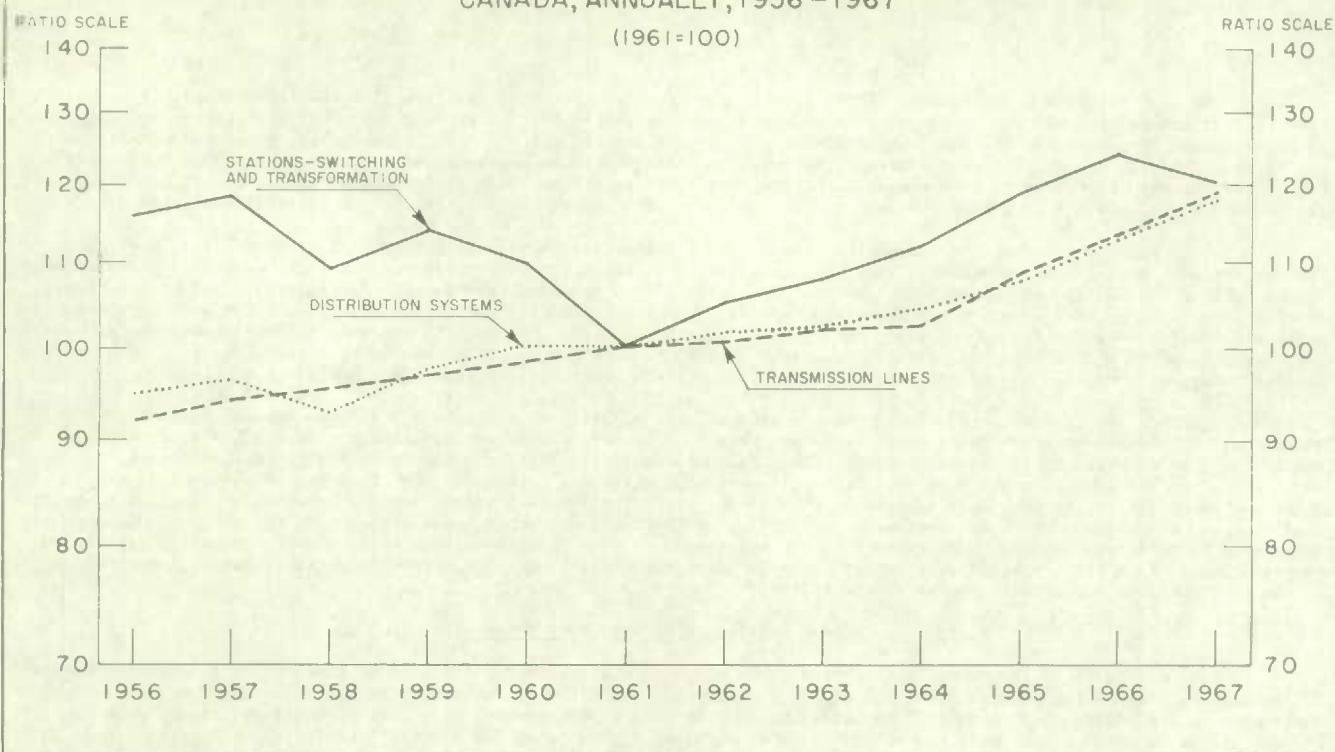
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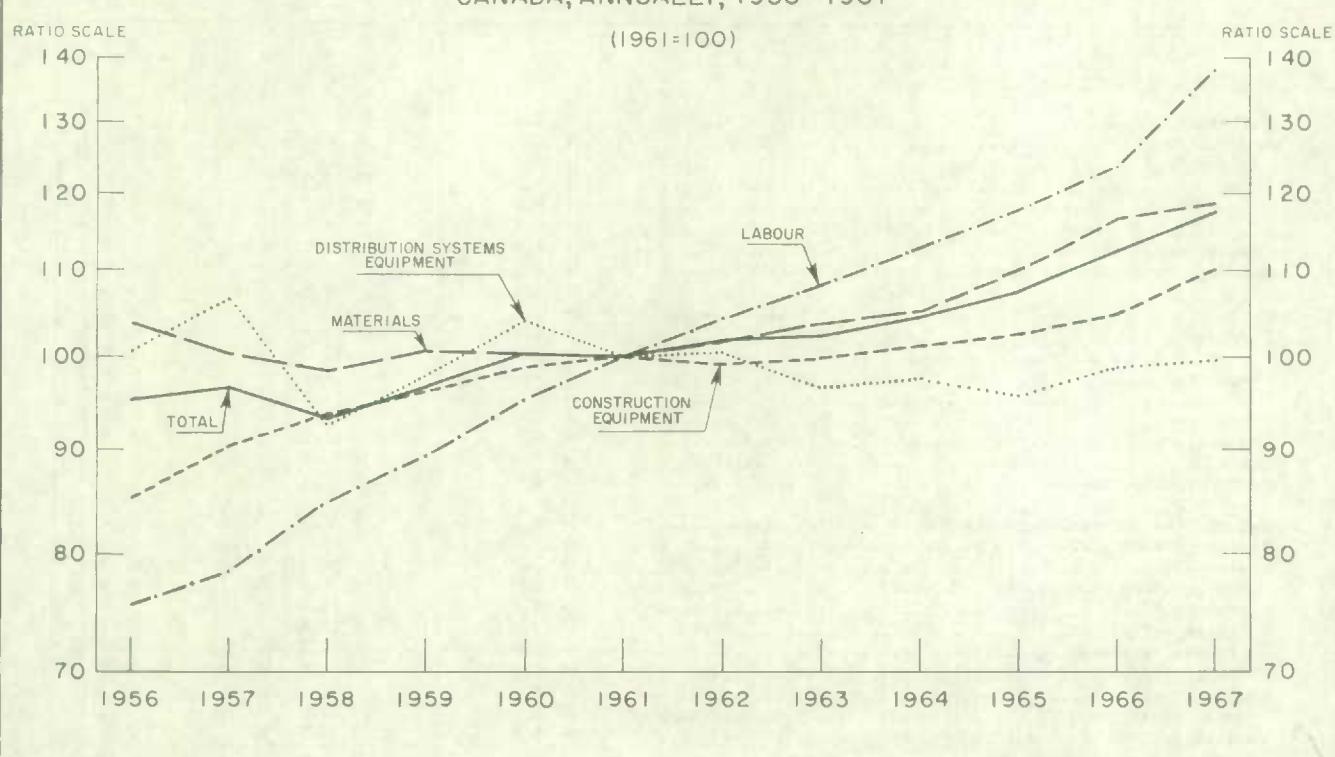
PRICE INDEXES OF ELECTRIC UTILITY CONSTRUCTION: DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS,
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CANADA, ANNUALLY, 1956-1967

(1961=100)



DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS PRICE INDEX AND MAJOR COMPONENTS,
CANADA, ANNUALLY, 1956-1967

(1961=100)



PRICE INDEXES OF ELECTRIC UTILITY CONSTRUCTION

Distribution Systems

Transmission Lines

Transformation & Switching Stations

1961=100

The base-weighted price indexes of the cost of constructing electrical utility distribution systems, transmission lines and transformation and switching stations in Canada express prices in a given year for materials, labour and equipment as a percentage of prices for the same components of cost in the base year 1961. Annual commodity, group and total indexes are presented herein for distribution systems, transmission lines and transformation and switching stations. Other than as noted below indexes from 1956 to 1965 remain unchanged; the 1966 preliminary indexes, published in the August 1967 issue of "Prices and Price Indexes" have been reviewed and revised; the 1967 indexes are provided as preliminary estimates.

At the aggregative level, the impact on the index of the revisions described below has been such that the levels of the indexes have been lowered somewhat. (The revisions have left the basic methodology of the index construction, described in DBS publication 62-526, unchanged.) Due to the introduction of a new wage rate sample, distribution systems and transmission lines indexes have been lowered from 1965 forward. For transformation and switching stations the wage rate component underwent similar revision but in addition, revisions of more consequence were made to the materials and equipment components. The power transformer data have been revised from 1956 forward as have the in-place construction indexes. Other commodities such as ready-mix concrete, and switchgear and protective equipment were revised from 1962 and 1966 respectively.

As noted, all indexes were affected when wage rate data supplied by the Labour Standards Branch of the Federal Department of Labour were replaced by union basic wage rates collected from major utilities and from a few contractors specializing in electric utility construction. In addition to providing wage rate data more applicable to electric utility experience, the new sample provides greater regional coverage within most provinces. For this reason the indexes are now described to relate to the provinces instead of to a sample of cities as previously. Samples selected are thought to relate adequately to union own-account and contract construction and to rural and urban construction with the exception of wage rates for transmission lines. Further improvements to the transmission lines price samples will be made for Ontario, Alberta and Newfoundland in 1968 which will improve sample coverage for rural and non-union wage rates from 1968 onwards. Further details of the revisions are given in footnotes to the tables.

Characteristics of Recent Price Movement

Sharp increases in the demand for capital goods which were a feature of the economy in 1965 and 1966 terminated in 1967 when total demand for capital goods held close to their high 1966 levels. This change was accompanied by declines in employment in the construction industry. However, because of future anticipated needs for increased generating capacity and because of the continuing growth of electric utility production, expenditures for electric utility plant have continued to be heavy and, although the rate of increase in 1967 expenditure was reduced compared to that of the previous years, the electric utility's share of total investment rose during the period under review. The cost of borrowing money to finance construction also continues to rise although the increase in 1967 was less sharp than was that recorded in 1966.

Electric Utilities

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>
	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
<u>Recent price index percentage changes</u>			
Distribution systems	+ 2.4	+ 4.9	+ 4.4
Construction	+ 4.3	+ 5.4	+ 5.7
Materials	+ 4.6	+ 6.2	+ 1.8
Poles	+ 12.9	+ 8.0	- 4.9
Conductors	+ 4.2	+ 8.9	+ 4.2
Labour	+ 4.4	+ 4.7	+ 11.9
Construction equipment	+ 1.0	+ 2.2	+ 5.3
Distribution systems equipment	- 2.3	+ 3.6	+ 0.9
Transmission lines	+ 5.6	+ 4.1	+ 5.0
Materials	+ 6.1	+ 3.4	+ 2.4
Poles, western cedar	+ 13.2	+ 13.5	+ 6.2
Hardware	+ 0.1	+ 1.5	+ 4.7
Towers	+ 2.3	0	- 5.0
Conductors, ACSR	+ 7.9	+ 1.5	+ 3.3
Insulators	+ 4.5	+ 5.5	+ 5.4
Labour	+ 5.4	+ 6.5	+ 12.3
Construction equipment	+ 1.6	+ 2.7	+ 4.7
Transformation and switching stations	+ 6.3	+ 4.2	- 2.9
Structures and improvements	+ 10.0	+ 5.6	- 5.5
Materials	+ 7.8	+ 4.3	- 5.1
Buswork and conductors	+ 9.9	+ 8.0	- 2.8
In-place prices	+ 17.1	+ 10.0	- 6.6
Earth excavation	+ 16.2	+ 11.6	- 8.1
Crushed gravels	+ 18.8	+ 6.8	- 3.3
Labour	+ 4.5	+ 5.2	+ 12.7
Station equipment	+ 5.7	+ 3.6	- 6.6
Power transformers	+ 4.9	+ 1.2	- 7.1
Switchgear and protective equipment	+ 9.7	+ 6.5	- 4.3
Power circuit breakers	+ 2.7	+ 4.7	- 8.3

Electric Utilities - Concluded

	<u>1965</u> <u>1964</u>	<u>1966</u> <u>1965</u>	<u>1967</u> <u>1966</u>
Related Economic Indicators			
Capital expenditures in Canada(1)	+ 17.6	+ 17.3	+ 0.6
Capital expenditures in electric utilities(1)	+ 24.9	+ 21.6	+ 13.6
Expenditures in electric utilities as a proportion of capital expenditures in Canada	7.3	7.6	8.6
Indexes of employment in construction(2)	+ 13.1	+ 10.4	- 7.3
Index of real domestic product for electric power(3)	+ 8.0	+ 11.0	+ 9.0
Net generating capability(4)	+ 8.9	+ 3.9	+ 12.1
Average bond yield for 10 public utilities(5)	+ 3.5	+ 13.2	+ 8.7

Source: (1) Public and Private Investment in Canada, DBS Catalogue 61-205 Annual.

(2) Canadian Statistical Review, DBS Catalogue 11-003, Monthly.

(3) Indexes of Real Domestic Product, by Industry, DBS Catalogue 61-506.

(4) Annual Electric Power Survey of Capability and Load, DBS Catalogue 57-204, Annual.

(5) McLeod, Young, Weir and Company, 50 King Street West, Toronto.

The change in demand for capital goods has been accompanied by a change in electric utility construction price behavior; as can be seen in the above table the pattern of overall price increases in all indexes has been changed. While many commodities continued to show price increases and while the labour indexes showed the sharpest increases in the history of the indexes, a number of important commodities showed price decreases. For individual commodities the decreases often tended to be greater than the decline in federal sales tax on production machinery and equipment which affected many of the commodities in 1967.

A more detailed examination of the indexes reveals the following movements. For the distribution systems and transmission lines, the rates of increase at the total level were similar in 1967 compared to 1966. All major components showed increases, with sharp increases of approximately 12 percent being shown in the labour component. Material prices rose less sharply in 1967 than in 1966. Of the two per cent increase shown in materials, one per cent relates to the general increase from 11 to 12 per cent in federal sales tax which occurred at the beginning of the year(1).

The transformation and switching stations index declined almost three points in 1967. Equipment and materials price declines were sufficient to counter the 13 per cent increase which occurred in the labour component. Materials and equipment indexes showed declines of 5.1 and 6.6 per cent, respectively, which do not exceed the decline of 6.5 per cent attributable to the changes in federal sales tax on production equipment which occurred during the year(1).

The following commodity price movements are of interest:

- (a) Distribution poles, which are shorter and more readily available in the logging yards than transmission line poles, continued to show less vigorous price movement than was shown by the transmission lines poles index. Indeed the former index declined by 4.9 per cent during 1967 while the latter index increased by 6.2 per cent, a sharp increase but much reduced when compared to increases shown in previous years.
- (b) Conductors showed price rises during the four years under review although the aluminum transmission conductors (ACSR) rose less than did the indexes for sheathed copper and aluminum conductors.
- (c) Steel prices as reflected in price collections for light structural steel for transmission towers showed an increase in 1965 of 2.3 per cent, no change in 1966 and a sharp price decline in 1967 of 5 per cent.
- (d) Equipment price changes can be summarized as follows:

	Price index percentage change	Percentage change attributable to federal sales tax change	Net percentage price change
		1967 1966	1967 1966
Distribution Systems Equipment	+ 0.9	+ 1.0	- .1
Meters	+ 1.0	+ 1.0	0
Distribution transformers	0	+ 1.0	- 1.0
Station equipment	- 6.5	- 6.8	+ .3
Power transformers	- 7.1	- 6.8	- .3
Circuit breakers	- 8.3	- 6.8	- 1.5
Switchgear and protective equipment	- 4.4	- 6.8	+ 2.4

Clearly federal sales tax changes were the major contributing factor to the declines being shown in many of the equipment indexes. With one exception, manufacturers either held prices steady or granted additional price decreases during the year.

- (e) Wage rate changes have been vigorous during the period under review. A summary of changes occurring in provinces with large index weights is outlined in the following table.

(1) See Table 7 for a summary of federal sales tax rates used to adjust index values.

Electric Utility Wage Rate Components Percentage Change from the Preceding Year

	<u>1965</u> 1964	<u>1966</u> 1965	<u>1967</u> 1966
Quebec			
Linemen:			
Transmission lines	+ 6.8	+ 5.6	+ 27.7
Distribution systems	+ 4.0	+ 4.2	+ 25.0
Groundmen:			
Transmission lines	+ 7.4	+ 7.0	+ 15.7
Distribution systems	+ 4.5	+ 4.7	+ 13.2
Electricians	+ 4.8	+ 4.0	+ 24.0
Common labourers	+ 5.7	+ 5.4	+ 12.1
Ontario			
Linemen:			
Transmission lines	+ 3.7	+ 5.0	+ 8.2
Distribution systems	+ 4.1	+ 4.3	+ 8.6
Groundmen:			
Transmission lines	+ 5.7	+ 6.3	+ 7.6
Distribution systems	+ 4.6	+ 4.7	+ 9.2
Electricians	+ 3.8	+ 4.0	+ 8.8
Common labourers	+ 4.3	+ 5.0	+ 10.1
British Columbia			
Linemen:			
Transmission lines	+ 5.3	+ 6.3	+ 11.2
Distribution systems	+ 6.1	+ 6.1	+ 9.4
Groundmen:			
Transmission lines	+ 4.9	+ 11.3	+ 16.9
Distribution systems	+ 5.8	+ 6.2	+ 9.6
Electricians	+ 6.5	+ 6.1	+ 7.6
Common labourers	0	+ 14.6	+ 19.3

Rates of increase accelerated during the period with "major" increases ranging from 10 to as much as 28 percent experienced in 1967 in British Columbia and Quebec. In 1965 and 1966 increases were of the order of 5 or 6 percent. During the four-year period sharp increases were most common in Quebec and least common in Ontario. Indeed, in Ontario the average increase during the period under review was six percent.

Within Quebec, the effect of faster rising rates outside of Metro-Montreal can be detected in the sharper rises shown in the transmission lines series as opposed to the distribution systems for groundmen and linemen. Metro-Montreal has a smaller weight in the transmission lines index than it has in the distribution systems index. It is also of interest to note that the price movement of groundmen and common labourers is similar in Quebec, and that electrician and linemen rates are showing similar behaviour. These patterns are not repeated in the other major provinces. Ontario exhibits similar change for all trades shown, whereas in British Columbia, linemen and groundmen rates move similarly but common labourers show a pattern of price change completely unlike any other trade shown in the table.

TABLE I. Price Indexes of Electric Utility Distribution Systems, Major Components and Items, Canada, Annually, 1956-67

(1961=100)

Total, major components and items	Indexes													
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	Final 1966	Pre- limi- nary 1967	1968	1969
Distribution systems	95.1	96.5	93.2	96.8	100.3	100.0	101.9	102.5	104.6	107.1 ^r	112.4	117.4		
Construction	92.7	91.9	93.5	96.3	98.5	100.0	102.5	105.2	107.8	112.4 ^r	118.5	125.2		
Materials(1)	103.8	100.4	98.7	100.6	100.3	100.0	101.8	103.9	105.2	110.0	116.8	118.8		
Poles	99.1	97.5	99.1	104.8	99.3	100.0	104.0	108.4	107.3	121.1	130.8	124.4(2)		
Eastern cedar	120.8	101.9	101.3	116.2	100.2	100.0	109.0	112.1	109.1	109.8	121.4	-		
Western cedar	97.7	97.2	99.0	104.1	99.2	100.0	103.6	108.1	107.2	121.8	131.4	-		
Crossarms	113.1	97.4	94.9	110.2	105.7	100.0	111.9	116.6	128.0	128.2	129.9	133.2		
Hardware	96.5	97.4	99.5	99.7	100.0	100.0	101.3	103.5	103.5	102.0	101.6	105.7		
Secondary racks	95.9	96.7	98.8	99.6	99.9	100.0	102.6	104.4	104.4	98.6	93.5	95.5		
Other hardware	96.8	97.7	99.8	99.7	100.0	100.0	100.9	103.2	103.2	103.3	104.8	109.7		
Conductors	107.9	103.4	99.1	98.1	100.2	100.0	99.7	100.6	102.3	106.6	116.1	121.0		
Triplex	102.9	105.5	102.3	97.8	100.0	100.0	98.1	97.4	97.2	99.4	103.4	105.9		
Polyethylene insulated - Aluminum	102.9	105.5	102.3	97.8	100.0	100.0	98.1	97.4	97.3	99.6	103.5	106.5		
Copper	123.0	96.9	89.3	99.0	100.7	100.0	104.6	110.3	117.5	128.0	153.9	165.5		
Insulators	94.9	95.2	95.9	98.7	102.0	100.0	100.6	101.4	101.4	106.0	111.8	117.8		
Luminaires	96.1	97.1	97.0	99.2	100.1	100.0	101.2	102.7	103.0	98.5	95.2	95.7		
Labour	75.7	78.5	84.9	89.3	95.3	100.0	104.3	108.3	112.8	117.8 ^r	123.3	138.0		
Groundmen	75.0	78.1	84.6	88.8	95.0	100.0	104.3	108.5	113.0	118.0 ^r	123.7	136.3		
Linemen	76.1	78.8	85.1	89.6	95.5	100.0	104.2	108.2	112.8	117.6 ^r	123.0	139.1		
Construction equipment	85.2	90.1	93.8	96.2	98.9	100.0	99.4	100.0	101.3	102.3 ^r	104.5	110.0		
Equipment - Trucks	82.6	90.5	95.7	97.8	99.6	100.0	102.3	103.5	103.7	103.6	104.8	108.5		
Operating expenses	87.7	89.7	91.9	94.5	98.2	100.0	96.4	96.6	99.0	101.0 ^r	104.1	111.4		
Mechanics(3)	75.7	78.5	84.9	89.3	95.3	100.0	104.3	108.3	112.8	118.1 ^r	123.4	138.8		
Other Operating Expenses(4) ...	94.9	96.3	96.2	97.7	99.9	100.0	91.7	89.6	90.7	90.7	92.5	95.0		
Distribution systems equipment(1) ...	100.4	106.6	92.5	97.9	104.3	100.0	100.4	96.4	97.6	95.4	98.8	99.7		
Meters	89.4	96.7	98.3	99.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.1	98.6	98.6	98.6	100.9		
Transformers	107.3	112.9	88.9	97.1	107.1	100.0	100.6	94.7	96.9	93.3	99.0	99.0		

(1) Combined materials and distribution systems equipment index

102.3 103.1 96.0 99.4 102.1 100.0 101.2 100.6 101.9 103.6 109.0 110.6

(2) Price movement for the pole index is derived from price reports for western cedar only, from 1967 forward.

(3) In 1965, Federal Department of Labour Fair Wage Rates were replaced by wage rates reported by a sample of electric utilities and contractors. See also footnote 1, Table 4.

(4) The component indexes of Other Operating Expenses are shown in Table 2.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE II. Price Indexes of Electric Utility Transmission Lines, Major Components and Items, Canada, Annually, 1956-67
(1961=100)

Total, major components and items	Indexes												Pre- limi- nary 1967	
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	Final 1966	1968	1969	
Transmission lines	92.1	94.4 ^r	95.7	97.0	98.9	100.0	100.9	102.3	102.7	108.5 ^r	113.0	118.6		
Materials	98.5	100.3	99.8	100.0	100.3	100.0	99.9	100.5	99.6	105.7	109.3	111.9		
Poles, towers and fixtures	95.8	97.3	98.8	102.0	100.3	100.0	101.3	103.1	103.5	108.7	113.9	115.2		
Poles, western cedar	97.7	97.2	99.0	104.1	99.2	100.0	100.4	103.8	101.8	115.2	130.7	109.7		
Crossarms	113.1	97.4	94.9	110.2	105.7	100.0	111.9	116.6	128.0	128.2	129.9	133.2		
Hardware	96.8	97.7	99.8	99.7	100.0	100.0	100.9	103.2	103.2	103.3	104.8	109.7		
Towers	90.8	97.1	99.0	99.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	102.3 ^r	102.3	97.3		
Conductors and insulators	101.2	103.5	100.9	97.9	100.3	100.0	98.5	97.9	95.5	102.6	104.7	108.5		
Conductors, ACSR	102.4	105.0	101.9	97.7	100.0	100.0	98.1	97.3	94.4	101.9	103.4	106.8		
Insulators	94.9	95.2	95.9	98.7	102.0	100.0	100.6	101.4	101.4	106.0	111.8	117.8		
Labour	75.2	78.3 ^r	84.5	88.7	94.9	100.0	104.6	108.6	112.8	118.9 ^r	126.5	142.0		
Groundmen	74.7	78.0	84.2	88.3	94.6	100.0	104.7	108.8	113.0	119.2 ^r	127.5	141.4		
Linemen	76.0	78.7 ^r	85.0	89.3	95.4	100.0	104.5	108.2	112.5	118.4	125.1	143.0		
Construction equipment	84.2	88.2	91.5	94.3	97.5	100.0	99.2	99.4	101.4	103.0	105.8	110.8		
Equipment	78.2	84.3	89.9	93.2	96.1	100.0	104.1	104.9	107.2	109.0	111.6	115.7		
Bulldozers	76.9	82.6	87.9	92.0	95.3	100.0	104.2	106.2	111.0	112.3	112.5	116.3		
Compressors	75.1	79.9	86.0	89.8	93.5	100.0	105.6	105.0	106.8	111.2	117.6	122.3		
Trucks	82.6	90.5	95.7	97.8	99.6	100.0	102.3	103.5	103.7	103.6	104.8	108.5		
Operating expenses	90.2	92.1 ^r	93.1	95.4	98.8	100.0	94.3	93.8	95.7	97.0 ^r	100.0	105.9		
Mechanics(1)	75.2	78.3 ^r	84.5	88.7	94.9	100.0	104.6	108.6	112.8	118.1 ^r	124.4	141.0		
Other Operating Expenses	95.2	96.7	96.0	97.7	100.1	100.0	90.8	88.9	90.0	89.9	91.8	94.2		
Diesel fuel	99.1	103.2	97.9	99.6	100.0	100.0	101.7	103.1	101.3	98.1	97.7	98.6		
Gasoline	96.5	99.6	99.8	99.9	99.5	100.0	98.3	90.7	91.5	88.4	88.8	89.7		
Lubricating oils	91.0	94.1	94.5	96.0	98.4	100.0	99.8	99.2	99.5	102.9	107.6			
Tires	94.4	94.1	92.8	96.2	101.7	100.0	79.1	79.6	81.9	84.6	88.7	92.1		
Tubes	93.1	92.5	89.7	88.9	88.9	100.0	100.8	100.8	100.8	102.5	99.7	101.3		
Repair parts	93.4	95.3	96.6	97.3	98.7	100.0	101.0	103.7	103.5	103.9	104.4	108.0		

(1) In 1965, Federal Department of Labour Fair Wage Rates were replaced by wage rates reported by a sample of electric utilities and contractors. See also footnote Table 5.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE III. Price Indexes of Electric Utility Transformations and Switching Stations, Major Components and Items, Canada, Annually, 1956-67

(1961=100)

Total, major components and items	Indexes													
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	Final 1966	Pre- limi- nary 1967	1968	1969
Transformation and switching stations	115.2 ^r	118.1 ^r	109.0 ^r	113.5 ^r	109.8 ^r	100.0	104.5 ^r	107.2 ^r	111.7 ^r	118.7 ^r	123.7	120.1		
Structures and improvements	110.1 ^r	105.6 ^r	101.3 ^r	102.6 ^r	103.3 ^r	100.0	102.6 ^r	109.0 ^r	113.1 ^r	124.4 ^r	131.4	124.2		
Materials	100.0	99.8	99.0	99.6	100.5	100.0	100.4 ^r	103.5 ^r	109.1 ^r	117.6 ^r	122.6	116.3		
Ready-mix concrete(1)	99.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.3 ^r	104.2 ^r	107.3 ^r	112.0 ^r	118.3	121.7		
Steel structures	92.3	97.4	99.0	99.8	100.6	100.0	100.1	102.4	107.1	114.7	115.7	104.4		
Wooden structures	102.2	97.1	97.1	103.9	102.5	100.0	104.2	108.9	116.0	125.0	129.8	124.9		
Buswork and conductors	109.6	103.5	99.0	98.3	100.2	100.0	100.0	103.5	110.8	121.8	131.6	127.9		
In-place prices	149.9 ^r	128.5 ^r	110.6 ^r	114.3 ^r	114.1 ^r	100.0	111.2 ^r	130.4 ^r	129.0 ^r	151.0 ^r	166.1	155.2		
Earth excavation	161.4 ^r	132.4 ^r	113.6 ^r	116.7 ^r	121.9 ^r	100.0	118.8 ^r	145.0 ^r	139.1 ^r	161.7 ^r	180.4	165.8		
Crushed gravels	131.0 ^r	122.1 ^r	105.6 ^r	110.3 ^r	101.4 ^r	100.0	98.8 ^r	106.7 ^r	112.5 ^r	133.7 ^r	142.8	137.8		
Labour (2)	74.3	77.6	82.5	88.6	94.7	100.0	104.3	107.6	111.5	116.5 ^r	122.5	138.0		
Common labourer	71.2	75.4	81.3	87.3	93.9	100.0	105.6	109.3	114.2	119.2 ^r	126.5	140.6		
Electrician	76.0	78.8	83.1	89.3	95.1	100.0	103.6	106.8	110.0	115.1 ^r	120.3	136.6		
Station equipment	127.9 ^r	132.6 ^r	118.4 ^r	123.2 ^r	115.7 ^r	100.0	105.1 ^r	106.7 ^r	111.5 ^r	117.9 ^r	122.1	114.1		
Power Transformers(3) ...	142.5 ^r	154.3 ^r	130.6 ^r	136.3 ^r	121.5 ^r	100.0	108.3 ^r	105.8 ^r	109.8 ^r	115.2 ^r	116.6	108.3		
Circuit Breakers	95.2	97.3	96.7	101.1	104.4	100.0	100.9	106.4	112.8	115.8	121.3	111.2		
Switchgear and protective Equipment(4) ...	128.9	122.9	114.4	117.9	114.6	100.0	102.7	108.4	113.3	124.3	132.4	126.7		

(1) Additional prices were incorporated into the index beginning in 1962. The present sample is sufficiently extensive that regional indexes are available monthly from mid 1967 onward.

(2) See footnote(1) Table 6.

(3) Industry Selling Price Transformer Index was utilized from 1956 to 1961. Additional data have become available recently and the expanded sample was introduced into the index in 1962.

(4) The index presented for the period 1956 to 1966 is a weighted average of the metalclad switchgear index and the disconnect switches contained in earlier publications. Additional data have recently become available and the expanded sample was introduced into the index in 1966.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE IV. Wage Rate Indexes for Distribution Systems Construction, Canada and Nine Provinces, 1956-67(1)

(1961=100)

	Indexes												Pre-liminary 1967	1968	1969
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	Final 1966				
<u>Linemen</u>															
Newfoundland	74.2	76.6	87.9	90.6	96.9	100.0	104.3	105.5	107.4	110.7 ^r	115.5	118.9			
Nova Scotia	74.2	76.6	87.9	90.6	96.9	100.0	104.3	105.5	107.4	113.6 ^r	119.3	126.4			
New Brunswick	74.2	76.6	87.9	90.6	96.9	100.0	104.3	105.5	107.4	112.2 ^r	117.4	129.4			
Quebec	73.9	75.0	81.8	86.9	93.7	100.0	109.7	113.6	118.7	123.5 ^r	128.7	160.6			
Ontario	78.2	81.2	83.9	85.6	94.6	100.0	103.4	106.7	110.4	114.9 ^r	119.8	130.1			
Manitoba	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	113.9 ^r	117.3	126.8			
Saskatchewan	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	116.8 ^r	122.7	133.3			
Alberta	77.4	82.2	86.3	91.1	94.5	100.0	102.4	104.1	108.2	112.6 ^r	122.6	130.4			
British Columbia	74.2	78.2	87.7	95.4	98.2	100.0	101.8	107.4	112.3	119.2 ^r	126.5	138.4			
Canada	76.1	78.8	85.1	89.6	95.5	100.0	104.2	108.2	112.8	117.6 ^r	123.0	139.1			
<u>Groundmen</u>															
Newfoundland	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	117.0 ^r	121.4	125.8			
Nova Scotia	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	120.9 ^r	125.6	133.6			
New Brunswick	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	120.0 ^r	126.7	135.6			
Quebec	73.9	75.0	81.8	86.9	93.7	100.0	109.7	113.6	118.7	124.0 ^r	129.8	146.9			
Ontario	74.0	78.2	84.4	86.0	94.8	100.0	102.9	106.2	109.4	114.4 ^r	119.8	130.8			
Manitoba	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	116.5 ^r	120.7	136.1			
Saskatchewan	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	113.9 ^r	118.7	124.7			
Alberta	71.8	73.9	79.8	85.6	91.0	100.0	103.2	107.4	109.0	113.5 ^r	123.0	130.5			
British Columbia	73.1	78.1	83.6	89.5	95.0	100.0	102.3	107.3	111.9	118.4 ^r	125.7	137.8			
Canada	75.0	78.1	84.6	88.8	95.0	100.0	104.3	108.5	113.0	118.0 ^r	123.7	136.3			

(1) For the period 1956 to 1964 wage rate indexes were derived for nine major cities from data supplied by the Labour Standards Branch of the Department of Labour. In January 1965, Union wage rate data for basic wage rates reported by major utilities and some contractors were incorporated into the index. The sample selected provides an estimate of wage rate change for each province and represents urban own-account and contract electric utility construction.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE V. Wage Rate Indexes for Transmission Lines Construction, Canada and Nine Provinces, 1956-67(1)
(1961=100)

	Indexes													
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	Final 1966	Pre- limi- nary 1967	1968	1969
<u>Linemen</u>														
Newfoundland	74.2	76.6	87.9	90.6	96.9	100.0	104.3	105.5	107.4	110.7 ^r	115.5	118.9		
Nova Scotia	74.2	76.6	87.9	90.6	96.9	100.0	104.3	105.5	107.4	113.6 ^r	119.3	126.4		
New Brunswick	74.2	76.6	87.9	90.6	96.9	100.0	104.3	105.5	107.4	112.2 ^r	117.4	129.4		
Quebec	73.9	75.0	81.8	86.9	93.7	100.0	109.7	113.6	118.7	126.8 ^r	133.9	171.0		
Ontario	78.2	81.2	83.9	85.6	94.6	100.0	103.4	106.7	110.4	114.5 ^r	120.2	130.0		
Manitoba	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	113.9 ^r	117.3	126.8		
Saskatchewan	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	116.8 ^r	122.7	133.3		
Alberta	77.4	82.2	86.3	91.1	94.5	100.0	102.4	104.1	108.2	112.6 ^r	122.6	130.4		
British Columbia	74.2	78.2	87.7	95.4	98.2	100.0	101.8	107.4	112.3	119.4 ^r	126.9	141.1		
Canada	76.0	78.7 ^r	85.0	89.3	95.4	100.0	104.5	108.2	112.5	118.4	125.1	143.0		
<u>Groundmen</u>														
Newfoundland	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	117.0 ^r	121.4	125.8		
Nova Scotia	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	120.9 ^r	125.6	133.6		
New Brunswick	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	120.0 ^r	126.7	135.6		
Quebec	73.9	75.0	81.8	86.9	93.7	100.0	109.7	113.6	118.7	127.5 ^r	136.4	157.8		
Ontario	74.0	78.2	84.4	86.0	94.8	100.0	102.9	106.2	109.4	115.6 ^r	122.9	132.2		
Manitoba	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	116.5 ^r	120.7	136.1		
Saskatchewan	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	113.9 ^r	118.7	124.7		
Alberta	71.8	73.9	79.8	85.6	91.0	100.0	103.2	107.4	109.0	113.5 ^r	123.0	130.5		
British Columbia	73.1	78.1	83.6	89.5	95.0	100.0	102.3	107.3	111.9	117.4 ^r	130.7	152.8		
Canada	74.7	78.0	84.2	88.3	94.6	100.0	104.7	108.8	113.0	119.2 ^r	127.5	141.4		

(1) For the period 1956 to 1964, wage rate indexes were derived for nine major cities from data supplied by the Labour Standards Branch of the Department of Labour. In January 1965, union wage rate data for basic wage rates reported by major utilities and some contractors were incorporated in the index. The sample selected provides an estimate of wage rate change for each province and represents urban own-account and contract electric utility construction.
 r Revised figures.

TABLE VI. Wage Rate Indexes for Transformation and Switching Stations Construction(1)
 Canada and Nine Provinces, 1956-67,
 (1961=100)

	Indexes													
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	Final 1966	Preliminary 1967	1968	1969
<u>Common labourer (2)</u>														
Nova Scotia	81.0	86.4	90.5	92.5	96.6	100.0	106.1	110.9	115.6	126.7	135.1	146.2		
New Brunswick	82.9	91.0	94.6	94.6	96.4	100.0	103.6	103.6	106.3	111.1	117.3	125.5		
Quebec	73.9	75.0	81.8	86.9	93.7	100.0	109.7	113.6	118.7	125.5	132.3	148.3		
Ontario	66.8	72.8	78.2	85.1	93.1	100.0	105.0	108.6	114.6	119.5	125.5	138.2		
Manitoba	67.3	74.5	80.0	89.7	95.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	104.4	108.1	116.9		
Saskatchewan	77.6	80.8	88.5	94.2	97.4	100.0	100.0	105.1	110.9	114.1	117.8	124.1		
Alberta	71.8	73.9	79.8	85.6	91.0	100.0	103.2	107.4	109.0	113.1	123.4	129.0		
British Columbia	73.1	78.1	83.6	89.5	95.0	100.0	102.3	107.3	111.9	111.9	128.2	153.0		
Canada	71.2	75.4	81.3	87.3	93.9	100.0	105.6	109.3	114.2	119.2	126.5	140.6		
<u>Electrician (2)</u>														
Nova Scotia	78.3	81.7	85.2	88.3	92.6	100.0	102.2	104.3	108.7	114.4	119.1	126.7		
New Brunswick	79.0	82.0	86.0	89.5	96.0	100.0	100.0	106.5	110.0	122.0	129.8	143.4		
Quebec	80.0	80.0	83.2	90.0	95.2	100.0	106.0	108.8	112.0	117.4	122.1	151.4		
Ontario	71.6	75.6	79.5	85.7	93.5	100.0	102.5	105.3	108.1	112.2	116.7	127.0		
Manitoba	73.6	80.4	85.0	91.1	96.8	100.0	101.4	103.5	106.1	111.0	115.9	128.0		
Saskatchewan	88.0	89.3	92.7	96.6	98.7	100.0	106.8	111.1	114.5	117.7	122.2	133.6		
Alberta	77.4	82.2	86.3	91.1	94.5	100.0	102.4	104.1	108.2	112.9	122.9	130.8		
British Columbia	74.2	78.2	87.7	95.4	98.2	100.0	101.8	107.4	112.3	119.6	126.9	136.6		
Canada	76.0	78.8	83.1	89.3	95.1	100.0	103.6	106.8	110.0	115.1	120.3	136.6		

- (1) For the period 1956 to 1964, wage rate indexes were derived for eight major cities from data supplied by the Labour Standards Branch of the Department of Labour. In January 1965, union wage rate data for the basic wage rates reported by major utilities and some contractors were incorporated in the index. The sample selected provides an estimate of wage rate change for each province - and represents urban own-account and contract electric utility construction. Wage rate data for Newfoundland have been collected and are available on request.
- (2) Expenditures for Newfoundland during the base-weight period were small and for this reason wage rates for Newfoundland are not included in the published indexes. Rates have been collected from Newfoundland utilities since 1964 and indexes are available upon request.

TABLE VII. Federal Sales Tax Rates for Commodities Used in Electric Utility Construction Price Indexes(1)

Commodity	Tax exempt item	Tax percentage rates for taxable commodities								
		1/1/56 to 29/4/59	30/4/59 to 31/12/66	1/1/67 to 31/12/67	1/1/56 to 13/6/63	14/6/63 to 31/3/64	1/4/64 to 31/12/64	1/1/65 to 31/12/64	1/4/67 to 31/3/67	2/6/67 to 1/6/67
<u>Distribution systems and transmission lines</u>										
Towers		10	11	12						
Poles, wooden	x									
Crossarms		10	11	12						
Hardware		10	11	12						
Conductors:										
Aluminum		10	11	12						
Copper		10	11	12						
Insulators		10	11	12						
Meters		10	11	12						
Transformers		10	11	12						
Luminaires		10	11	12						
Trucks		10	11	12						
Bulldozers		10	11	12						
Compressors		10	11	12						
Gasoline		10	11	12						
Diesel fuel		10	11	12						
Fabricating oils		10	11	12						
Tires		10	11	12						
Tires		10	11	12						
Parts		10	11	12						
<u>Transformation and switching stations</u>										
Earth excavation and embankment	x									
Gravels	x									
Ready-mix concrete	x									
Steel structures:										
Steel		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Insulators		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Wooden structures:										
Poles	x									
Crossarms		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Insulators		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Hardware		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Buswork and conductors		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Power transformers		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Circuit breakers		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Disconnect switches		0	4	8	11	6	0			
Metalclad switchgear		0	4	8	11	6	0			

(1) Indexes or prices used in these indexes were adjusted to reflect Federal sales tax rates generally applicable on sales of these commodities to electric utilities.

NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

Price indexes included in the General Wholesale Index and the Industry Selling Price Indexes for the month of July are based on a less than normal number of actual price quotations, because of interruption of mail service. Data arriving too late for inclusion in the publication will be incorporated in the revised July figures of the August issue of Prices & Price Indexes.

Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)

On the basis of preliminary information, 29 manufacturing industries, Industry Selling Price Indexes were higher in July than in June, 4 less than the increases recorded in the May-June period. Industry indexes which moved down in July numbered 17, an increase of 3 from the numbers of decreases recorded in the previous month. Of the 102 industry indexes 56 were unchanged in July, 1 more than in June when 55 remained the same.

The average level of the 102 industry indexes in July was 117.7 virtually unchanged from the June average of 117.8. The median retained the same level as in the previous month at 117.4.

The following table summarizes June - July price movements by major industry group:

June to July Changes in Industry Indexes

Major industry group	Total	Increases		Decreases		Un-changed No.		
	indus- tries No.	No.	Average %	Median %	No.	Average %	Median %	
All industries	102	29	0.6	0.4	17	- 1.4	- 0.8	56
Foods and beverages	20	5	0.5	0.3	4	- 1.1	- 1.0	11
Tobacco and tobacco products	1	--	--	--	1	- 0.8	(1)	--
Rubber products	1	1	0.4	(1)	--	--	--	--
Leather products	4	2	0.7	(1)	--	--	--	2
Textile mills	10	3	0.2	0.2	--	--	--	7
Clothing and knitting mills	4	1	0.1	(1)	1	- 1.1	(1)	2
Wood products	7	5	0.6	0.5	--	--	--	2
Paper products	5	2	0.3	(1)	2	- 0.3	(1)	1
Iron and steel products	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	9
Transportation equipment	3	1	0.1	(1)	--	--	--	2
Non-ferrous metal products	5	1	0.6	(1)	4	- 2.8	- 2.0	--
Electrical apparatus and supplies	5	4	0.6	0.4	1	- 0.7	(1)	--
Non-metallic mineral products	8	--	--	--	1	- 0.2	(1)	7
Products of petroleum and coal	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	3
Chemicals and allied products	11	3	0.7	0.8	3	- 1.5	- 1.1	5
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	6	1	2.6	(1)	--	--	--	5

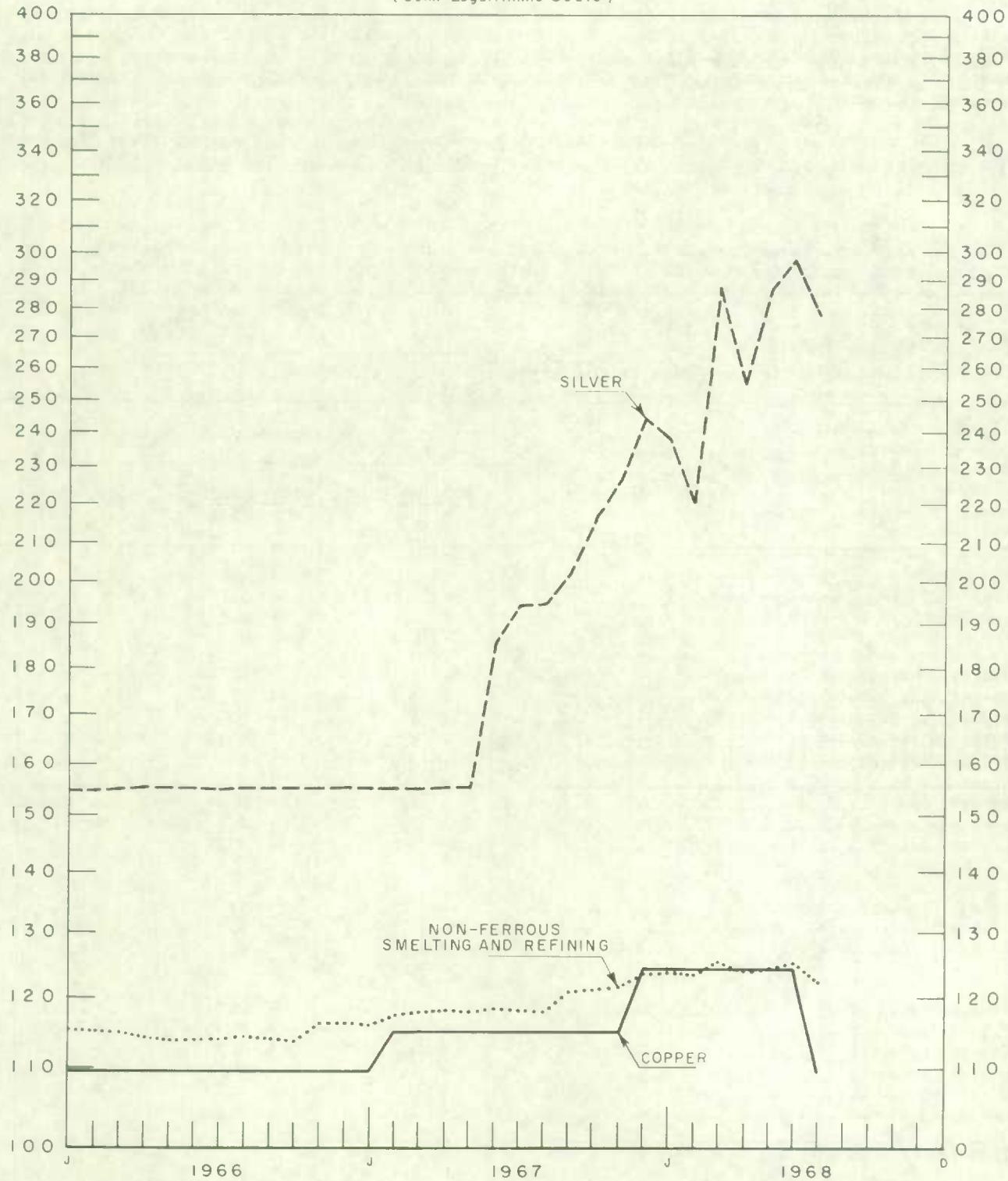
(1) Not relevant.

NON-FERROUS METAL SMELTING AND REFINING INDUSTRY AND
SELECTED COMMODITY INDEXES

MONTHLY JANUARY 1966 - JULY 1968

1956=100

(Semi-Logarithmic Scale)



The General Wholesale Index moved down 0.4 per cent in July to 269.2 from the June index of 270.3 and was 2.0 per cent higher than the July 1967 index of 263.9. A sharp fall in copper prices supplemented by a decline in silver prices was the main reason for the fractional decrease at the total level between June and July. Major groups other than Non-ferrous Metals showed only fractional changes.

The Non-ferrous Metals Products Group index declined 4.7 per cent in July to 247.0 from the June index of 259.1. Copper prices fell from their high level by 11 per cent as United States mines resumed production following a prolonged strike in that industry. The Vegetable Products Group index moved down 0.4 per cent to 229.9 from 230.9 in response to price decreases for tea, coffee and cocoa, sugar and its products, grains, and canned vegetables. A decrease of 0.3 per cent to 215.0 from 215.6 in the Chemical Products Group index reflected lower prices for soaps and detergents. The Wood Products Group index declined slightly to 364.7 from 364.9.

The Animal Products Group index moved up 0.7 per cent to 296.5 from 294.4 on higher prices for fishery products, eggs, livestock and leather. Increases of 0.1 per cent or less occurred in the following major group indexes: Textile Products to 256.1 from 255.8, and Iron Products to 276.7 from 276.6.

The following table shows some of the more noteworthy changes:

Commodity group and sub-group	Percentage changes		
	July 1968 June 1968	July 1967 June 1967	July 1968 July 1967
Non-ferrous metals products group	- 4.7	- 0.1	+ 4.8
Copper	- 10.6	+ 0.2	- 3.3
Silver	- 8.2	+ 0.1	+ 76.4
Vegetable products group.....	- 0.4	- 1.1	- 0.6
Vegetables, canned	- 3.4	+ 0.2	- 3.3
Sugar and its products	- 3.2	- 11.7	- 5.6
Tea, coffee and cocoa	- 2.8	- 0.8	+ 5.9
Vegetable oils	- 1.8	+ 1.4	+ 12.5
Rubber, raw	- 1.7	- 3.8	- 0.5
Fruits, fresh	+ 7.4	+ 1.9	+ 56.5
Fruits, dried	+ 6.8	+ 0.3	+ 13.8
Chemical products group	- 0.3	(1)	+ 1.2
Soap and detergents	- 1.9	+ 0.5	+ 10.0
Inorganic chemicals	+ 0.5	--	+ 1.4
Animal products group	+ 0.7	- 0.8	+ 1.3
Eggs	+ 6.2	- 6.3	+ 13.8
Fishery products	+ 4.1	+ 2.9	+ 5.3
Leather	+ 1.7	- 0.1	- 1.1
Livestock	+ 0.3	- 2.7	+ 2.1
Hides and skins	- 1.0	- 7.4	- 0.2

(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 0.2 per cent to 253.4 in July from the June index of 253.0. Prices were higher for eight commodities, lower for nine and unchanged for thirteen. Principal changes included increases for cottonseed oil, sisal, hogs, raw wool and steers, and decreases for domestic copper, raw sugar, linseed oil, raw rubber and beef hides.

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

The price index of Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets moved up 0.8 per cent to 262.0 in July from the June index of 259.9. The Animal Products index rose 0.9 per cent to 333.1 from 330.0 reflecting higher prices for eggs, hogs, raw wool and steers on both Eastern and Western markets. Prices were lower for calves and lambs on both markets. The Field Products index advanced 0.6 per cent to 191.0 from 189.8 on price increases for potatoes, hay and corn on the Eastern market and for flax in the West. Lower prices were recorded for oats, rye, wheat and barley in the East and for hay in the West.

Security Price Indexes (1956=100)

The Investors Index of common stock prices rose 4.2 per cent to 181.8 from 174.4 between June and July. This is the highest monthly average it has registered since January 1966. Finance, at its highest in three years, advanced 6.8 per cent, followed by Utilities up 4.7 per cent and by Industrials up 3.7 per cent. In Finance, Banks reached an all-time high of 174.8, a 6.0 per cent rise over last month, while Investment and Loan advanced 8.8 per cent to 144.0, its highest of the year. In Utilities, indexes for all sub-groups rose, increases ranging from 8.2 per cent for Electric Power to 1.9 per cent for Pipelines. Transportation and Telephone reached yearly highs while Gas Distribution was at its highest ever this month. Within Industrials, nine sub-groups were at their highest this year, of which three, Foods, Beverages and Retail Trade, reached new all-time highs. Substantial gains were made by Non-metallic Minerals, Foods, and Pulp and Paper, advancing 15.1 per cent, 12.8 per cent, and 11.6 per cent respectively. Industrial Mines registered the only loss as it eased 2.0 per cent, continuing the downward trend started in May.

In the same period, the index of Mining stock prices dropped 2.9 per cent to 105.4 from 108.6 after showing an increase in the two previous months. Both sub-groups showed losses, as Golds and Base Metals dropped 4.2 per cent and 1.6 per cent respectively.

Both supplementary price indexes increased with Uraniums up 5.4 per cent and Primary Oils and Gas up 1.9 per cent.

The Preferred stock index continued to fluctuate as it rose 3.3 per cent to 77.5 from 75.0.

The Consumer Price Index (1949=100)

The Consumer Price Index for Canada rose by 0.6 per cent to 155.6 at the beginning of July from 154.7 at the beginning of June. The July 1968 index was 3.6 per cent above the July 1967 level of 150.2. About three-quarters of the advance in the index over the preceding month was attributable to a 1.7 per cent increase in food prices. All other main components of the index, except Clothing and Tobacco and Alcohol, moved up less markedly. The index for Clothing declined by 0.2 per cent while that for Tobacco and Alcohol remained unchanged.

The Food index increased by 1.7 per cent to 151.9 in July from 149.4 in June, mainly in reflection of higher prices for meats and for fresh vegetables. Retail prices for beef and pork products evidenced a general advance for the second consecutive month while chicken prices registered a slight decline. Scattered increases in the price of home-delivered milk outweighed marginally lower prices for ice cream, cheese and some other dairy products. Among other staple items, bread and butter prices did not change appreciably. Sugar prices, on the other hand, continued their decline to a level nearly nine per cent below that of twelve months earlier. In July 1968 the Food index was 2.3 per cent above its July 1967 level.

The Housing index rose by 0.4 per cent to 158.3 in July from 157.6 in June, due to higher costs for both shelter and household operation. Rents continued to advance, with the latest rise of 0.4 per cent equalling the average monthly increase over the past year. Household operation costs were up by 0.5 per cent, a major contributor being an advance of 2.8 per cent in electricity charges reflecting higher costs in Toronto and Ottawa. The level of homefurnishings prices remained unchanged with higher prices for furniture and appliances being offset by declines in the price of household textiles. Generally higher prices for household supplies and increased rates of pay for domestic help contributed to an advance of 0.8 per cent in the household supplies and services component. The July 1968 Housing index was 4.2 per cent above its level of July 1967.

The Clothing index declined by 0.2 per cent to 136.1 in July from 136.4 in June, as decreases in the price of women's wear, children's wear and footwear, attributable to summer sales, outweighed advances in men's wear and piece goods. The July 1968 Clothing index stood 2.7 per cent above its level of July 1967.

The Transportation index rose by 0.1 per cent to 161.9 in July from 161.8 in the preceding month. Increases were recorded in fares for local and inter-city travel. Automobile operation costs were down 0.1 per cent from June, with reductions in the price of new cars, typical at this time of year, outweighing a slight increase in gasoline prices. The July 1968 Transportation index was 2.3 per cent above its level of twelve months previous.

The Health and Personal Care index rose by 0.5 per cent to 198.8 in July from 197.9 in June. Prepaid medical care premiums increased in Manitoba, and general increases in soap, toothpaste and other toiletries were also registered. The Health and Personal Care index for July 1968 was 3.8 per cent above its level twelve months ago.

The Recreation and Reading index rose by 0.3 per cent to 174.8 in July from 174.2 a month earlier. Among recreational items there were marginal decreases in the price of radios, television sets and bicycles. However, these were outweighed by an increase in subscription rates for daily newspapers in five cities, including Toronto and Montreal. The Recreation and Reading index for July 1968 stood 4.2 per cent above its July 1967 level.

The Tobacco and Alcohol index at 141.1 was unchanged from the preceding month, reflecting a 10.1 per cent increase over its July 1967 level.

TABLE 1. Summary of Current Price Indexes

	Indexes				Percentage changes		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	July 1968 June 1968	July 1967 June 1967	July 1968 July 1967
Wholesale price indexes:							
Industry selling price indexes (1956=100) (See textual table page 6)							
General wholesale index (1935-39=100):(1) ...	269.2	270.3	263.9	264.1	- 0.4	- 0.1	+ 2.0
Vegetable products	229.9	230.9	231.2	233.7	- 0.4	- 1.1	- 0.6
Animal products	296.5	294.4	292.6	295.1	+ 0.7	- 0.8	+ 1.3
Textile products	256.1	255.8	252.5	252.8	+ 0.1	- 0.1	+ 1.4
Wood products	364.7	364.9	347.0	343.8	- 0.1	+ 0.9	+ 5.1
Iron products	276.7	276.6	275.8	273.3	(2)	+ 0.9	+ 0.3
Non-ferrous metals	247.0	259.1	235.7	236.0	- 4.7	- 0.1	+ 4.8
Non-metallic minerals	206.3	206.3	199.4	198.9	-	+ 0.3	+ 3.5
Chemical products	215.0	215.6	212.5	212.4	- 0.3	(2)	+ 1.2
Canadian farm products (1935-39=100):(3)	262.0	259.9	266.8	269.1	+ 0.8	- 0.9	(3)
Eastern total	282.6	279.0	277.4	280.2	+ 1.3	- 1.0	+ 1.9
Western total	241.5	240.8	256.2	257.9	+ 0.3	- 0.7	(3)
Field	191.0	189.8	208.6	207.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.6	(3)
Animal	333.1	330.0	325.0	330.7	+ 0.9	- 1.7	+ 2.5
Selected price indexes:(1)							
Thirty industrial materials (1935-39=100) ...	253.4	253.0	253.0	256.7	+ 0.2	- 1.4	+ 0.2
Residential building materials (1949=100) ...	166.9	167.0	159.4	158.6	- 0.1	+ 0.5	+ 4.7
Non-residential building materials (1949=100)	157.6	158.0	154.1	154.0	- 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 2.3
Consumer price indexes (1949=100):							
All-items index	155.6	154.7	150.2	148.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.9	+ 3.6
Food	151.9	149.4	148.5	144.8	+ 1.7	+ 2.6	+ 2.3
Housing	158.3	157.6	151.9	151.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.5	+ 4.2
Clothing	136.1	136.4	132.5	132.5	- 0.2	-	+ 2.7
Transportation	161.9	161.8	158.3	158.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 2.3
Health and personal care	198.8	197.9	191.5	190.7	+ 0.5	+ 0.4	+ 3.8
Recreation and reading	174.8	174.2	167.8	167.1	+ 0.3	+ 0.4	+ 4.2
Tobacco and alcohol	141.1	141.1	128.1	128.1	-	-	+ 10.1
Society price indexes (1956=100):							
Total investors index	181.8	174.4	177.5	174.5	+ 4.2	+ 1.7	+ 2.4
Total industrials	189.4	182.7	185.2	181.7	+ 3.7	+ 1.9	+ 2.3
Industrial mines	198.4	202.5	198.2	193.6	- 2.0	+ 2.4	+ 0.1
Foods	225.3	199.8	210.8	211.3	+ 12.8	- 0.2	+ 6.9
Beverages	277.4	263.8	238.6	239.5	+ 5.2	- 0.4	+ 16.3
Textiles and clothing	162.1	146.1	217.7	205.4	+ 11.0	+ 6.0	- 25.5
Pulp and paper	112.0	100.4	133.5	134.4	+ 11.6	- 0.7	- 16.1
Printing and publishing	689.5	677.9	694.1	661.2	+ 1.7	+ 5.0	- 0.7
Primary metals	93.7	88.0	108.4	110.4	+ 6.5	- 1.8	- 13.6
Metal fabricating	130.3	123.8	119.1	115.9	+ 5.3	+ 2.8	+ 9.4
Non-metallic minerals	107.0	93.0	124.4	130.1	+ 15.1	- 4.4	- 14.0
Petroleum	176.1	168.0	162.1	152.9	+ 4.8	+ 6.0	+ 8.6
Chemicals	116.5	106.7	124.8	128.5	+ 9.2	- 2.9	- 6.7
Construction	82.9	77.4	64.5	66.6	+ 7.1	- 3.2	+ 28.5
Retail trade	308.6	294.6	248.2	244.3	+ 4.8	+ 1.6	+ 24.3
Total utilities	166.5	159.0	175.2	171.0	+ 4.7	+ 2.5	- 5.0
Pipeline	179.8	176.4	201.7	193.1	+ 1.9	+ 4.5	- 10.9
Transportation	197.1	189.6	227.2	223.5	+ 4.0	+ 1.7	- 13.2
Telephone	106.8	101.9	116.4	118.8	+ 4.8	- 2.0	- 8.2
Electric power	128.3	118.6	138.0	132.8	+ 8.2	+ 3.9	- 7.0
Gas distribution	414.0	392.8	355.8	337.2	+ 5.4	+ 5.5	+ 16.4
Total finance	164.5	154.0	142.6	143.6	+ 6.8	- 0.7	+ 15.4
Banks	174.8	164.9	142.8	141.3	+ 6.0	+ 1.1	+ 22.4
Investment and loan	144.0	132.4	141.6	147.4	+ 8.8	- 3.9	+ 1.7
Mining stocks:							
General index	105.4	108.6	100.0	101.3	- 2.9	- 1.3	+ 5.4
Golds	151.5	158.1	128.2	134.6	- 4.2	- 4.8	+ 18.2
Base metals	80.1	81.4	84.5	83.1	- 1.6	+ 1.7	- 5.2
Supplementary indexes:							
Uraniums	271.8	257.8	261.5	261.2	+ 5.4	+ 0.1	+ 3.9
Primary oils and gas	209.4	205.5	190.8	173.6	+ 1.9	+ 9.9	+ 9.7

(1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

(2) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

(3) Year to year percentage change not shown since these indexes are not comparable. Indexes subsequent to July 1967 are subject to revision. See notes page 40 for details of Western grain prices.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Foods and beverages industries:							
Slaughtering and meat packing industry	132.0	131.7	131.5	133.7	130.6	136.5	120.8
Bacon and sides	116.0	115.9	121.6	125.9	119.9	144.7	132.4
Beef, fresh or frozen	153.2	152.1	151.9	149.7	148.7	137.7	120.3
Hams, cured	119.1	117.6	116.4	118.9	117.4	131.6	116.0
Lard	91.6	91.6	103.4	110.1	110.0	133.4	123.1
Margarine	96.5	95.4	95.7	96.2	96.2	99.2	97.5
Mutton and lamb, fresh or frozen	157.1	183.1	155.1	165.3	134.8	133.8	126.8
Pork, fresh or frozen	126.8	125.1	118.0	126.7	119.1	134.0	121.2
Poultry, fresh or frozen	80.3	80.3	82.0	82.0	81.9	90.2	78.7
Sausage, fresh	126.6	126.2	131.3	132.0	130.2	145.3	129.1
Veal, fresh or frozen	162.8	166.7	162.5	164.9	162.8	150.1	126.9
Wieners and bologna	145.6	144.6	152.5	151.2	149.5	154.5	136.2
Butter and cheese factories industry	127.0	127.0	125.3	125.3	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	145.5	143.8	135.2	124.9
Concentrated milk products industry	131.2	131.2	132.8	132.6	130.9	122.4	116.0
Milk, whole, evaporated	126.3	126.3	128.0	128.0	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	158.7	157.4	154.2	135.3	118.8
Cheese, processed, industry	128.4	128.4	122.9	122.9	125.0	117.7	112.6
Dairy products, other, industry	108.3	108.3	106.4	106.4	106.4	107.0	105.5
Fish processing industry	164.9	162.9	159.5	154.2	160.6	156.2	148.2
Cod, fillets, frozen	154.7	154.7	149.8	151.0	149.0	148.2	125.8
Salmon, canned, sockeye	133.7	133.7	132.9	132.9	132.9	133.8	130.3
Fruit and vegetable preparations industry ..	119.5	118.8	118.3	116.3	117.4	115.1	111.9
Jams	115.3	115.3	122.4	112.6	116.8	116.0	118.8
Corn, creamed, whole grain, canned	138.6	138.6	126.8	125.2	126.7	121.0	118.9
Peaches, canned	152.0	152.0	139.5	139.5	141.7	138.0	126.5
Peas, canned	133.9	132.0	120.9	120.9	121.7	112.3	109.3
Soups, canned	104.0	106.4	104.0	104.3	103.7	101.6	98.3
Tomato juice, canned	121.3	111.8	125.5	122.3	125.0	123.0	121.1
Feed mills industry	114.1	114.2	117.4	117.9	117.0	117.3	112.8
Feeds, dairy and cattle	110.0	110.0	114.5	114.8	113.8	112.0	107.7
Feeds, poultry, laying and hatching	114.0	114.0	118.5	119.4	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		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Foods and beverages industries - Concluded:							
Flour mills industry	122.8	122.4	129.6	131.4	129.0	123.1	121.9
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 2 patent	126.1	125.3	131.0	131.0	128.2	125.1	118.8
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 3 patent	121.0	121.0	127.7	127.7	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	111.8	111.8	128.3	137.4	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	124.7	125.4	120.8	119.6
Bread and other bakery products industry ...	142.3	142.3	136.9	136.1	136.3	134.9	131.6
Bread	152.1	152.1	143.8	142.6	143.6	140.2	134.8
Pies, cakes, cookies and pastries	119.7	119.7	121.5	121.5	120.1	123.3	124.1
Rolls and buns, plain	140.6	140.6	137.2	135.4	136.3	137.0	134.7
Carbonated beverages industry	134.9	134.9	132.1	128.6	130.7	127.4	125.5
Distilled liquors industry	117.2	117.3	113.6	113.6	113.6	113.5	113.3
Breweries industry	117.1	117.1	112.1	112.1	112.0	109.4	109.4
Beer in small bottles	113.3	113.3	109.3	109.3	109.2	108.3	108.3
Wines industry	104.3	104.3	103.1	103.1	100.3	96.6	96.8
Confectionery industry	127.4	127.0	123.7	122.8	122.8	120.0	121.7
Chewing gum	103.2	103.2	101.0	101.0	101.0	100.0	101.3
Chocolate bars	119.2	118.1	113.8	112.3	112.9	113.9	116.0
Chocolate, in packages	139.4	139.4	139.8	137.8	137.1	130.3	130.9
Sugar confectionery, in bulk	143.5	143.5	137.6	138.0	137.8	133.6	136.4
Sugar refining industry	88.0	89.8	91.2	102.6	90.7	87.2	92.1
Sugar, granulated, cane and beet	88.2	90.0	91.3	102.6	90.8	87.2	92.1
Sugar, yellow or brown, cane and beet	85.2	87.4	89.5	101.0	89.2	86.2	91.3
Sugar, icing, cane and beet	87.8	91.2	91.9	103.6	91.0	88.4	94.0
Miscellaneous food preparations industry ...	89.2	91.3	91.1	89.4	91.6	94.2	93.5
Coffee, roasted	73.9	73.9	74.5	71.6	75.0	78.2	77.5
Jelly powders	118.9	123.2	118.1	118.3	118.5	117.2	114.7
Tea, blended, packaged	92.6	99.4	96.8	96.8	97.9	99.6	100.4
Macaroni and kindred products industry	144.7	144.7	141.7	141.7	141.4	135.2	132.4

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Tobacco and tobacco products industries:							
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes industry	119.6	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	119.9	121.3	119.9	119.9	118.9	108.9	105.4
Rubber products industries:							
Rubber goods, including footwear, industry	100.0	99.6	99.0	99.0	99.0	96.6	94.0
Tires, balloon, bus and truck	94.7	94.6	95.9	95.9	95.7	93.0	88.8
Tires, balloon, passenger cars, standard	93.7	93.4	93.3	93.3	93.6	91.0	89.4
Hose, fire, garden, etc.	119.1	118.5	114.8	114.8	114.3	109.5	103.2
Leather products industries:							
Footwear, leather industry	129.5	128.4	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	118.9	118.9	117.0	117.0	117.0	116.4	111.3
Children's and little gents' vulcanized and stitchdowns	135.6	135.6	131.5	131.5	131.5	128.8	117.8
Gloves and mittens, leather, industry	129.2	129.2	132.0	132.0	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	142.9	142.9	143.5	137.8	116.1
Leather tanning industry	131.2	130.4	132.7	133.3	132.2	145.6	123.0
Upper leather, cattle hides	130.6	130.0	130.3	131.0	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	146.4	148.3	162.3	135.0
Sole leather, shoulders	115.2	115.2	124.8	127.1	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	105.4	105.2	103.9	103.8	104.1	101.6	100.1
Cotton fabrics, grey	111.5	111.1	109.0	109.0	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	124.1	124.1	123.8	120.9	120.2
Woven fabrics, all wool, worsted	109.7	109.7	109.3	109.3	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		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Textile mills industries - Concluded:							
Woollen yarn industry	103.7	103.7	105.0	105.0	104.3	105.3	105.3
Yarns, worsted, oil spun, machine knitting	107.2	107.2	110.2	110.2	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	97.0	96.9	96.3	96.3	96.4	96.8	98.4
Carpets, mats and rugs industry	94.8	94.8	97.1	97.1	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	89.4	89.4	89.6	91.0	91.5
Cordage, rope and twine industry	114.0	114.0	115.7	115.7	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	118.6	118.6	123.1	123.4	123.5	129.1	119.5
Bags, cotton	109.0	109.0	109.0	109.0	109.0	111.0	108.6
Bags, jute	127.2	127.2	135.8	136.4	136.5	145.2	129.3
Oilcloth, linoleum and other coated fabrics industry	116.5	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	111.8	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	89.9	89.8	87.7	87.7	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 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Clothing and knitting mills industries -							
Concluded:							
Hats and caps industry	127.3	128.7	124.1	121.1	120.7	114.2	107.6
Wood products industries:							
Veneers and plywoods industry	104.2	103.5	97.8	98.0	98.0	95.4	93.0
Veneer, yellow birch	94.8	94.8	96.3	96.4	96.3	93.2	90.2
Plywood, Douglas fir	109.3	108.1	97.5	97.4	97.9	94.4	93.4
Plywood, yellow birch	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	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	127.7	127.1	122.7	121.3	122.3	115.8	107.7
Sash and doors	143.0	143.0	140.1	140.1	140.2	133.3	126.6
Lumber, matched	141.4	138.9	132.9	131.7	131.2	123.7	115.8
Lumber, planed	110.4	109.8	105.3	102.8	104.8	98.7	90.2
Mouldings	157.1	157.1	144.9	144.9	145.4	139.0	124.3
Flooring, hardwood, industry	124.1	124.1	120.2	120.2	119.4	111.4	100.8
Flooring, birch	130.1	130.1	123.3	123.3	123.1	111.9	99.6
Flooring, red oak	118.0	118.0	117.1	117.1	115.6	110.8	101.9
Lumber mills industry	126.3	125.7	109.2	109.5	110.1	107.0	103.0
Pine, white	114.1	114.1	113.2	113.2	113.2	111.2	107.8
Pine, jack and lodge-pole	108.3	108.3	103.8	100.4	103.1	96.3	90.3
Birch, yellow	120.4	120.6	117.9	117.9	117.9	115.7	110.3
Maple, hard	119.4	119.5	117.8	117.9	116.9	107.2	97.5
Cedar	166.3	163.7	138.4	139.9	141.3	135.7	129.2
Spruce	111.4	112.0	98.9	98.4	99.8	98.2	94.9
Spruce, B.C. interior	109.1	110.2	90.0	90.0	92.1	91.5	89.2
Spruce, East of Rockies	113.8	113.8	108.0	106.9	107.7	104.8	100.6
Hemlock, B.C. coast	129.4	127.1	110.5	110.8	109.5	104.8	99.6
Fir, Douglas	138.5	137.3	109.3	111.0	111.4	108.8	106.1
Fir, Douglas, B.C. interior .....	..	..	..	..	..	112.5	110.8
Fir, Douglas, B.C. coast	127.9	127.5	104.9	105.9	105.4	106.2	102.8
Shingle mills industry	162.1	160.4	118.5	109.8	118.1	115.9	122.8
Furniture industry	117.9	117.7	116.3	116.3	116.0	112.9	109.8
Bedroom furniture, wooden, not upholstered .....	..	..	116.1	116.1	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 ..	137.1	137.1	137.4	137.4	136.8	132.8	129.4
Office and store furnishings and fixtures, metal	125.3	125.3	122.5	122.5	122.1	120.2	114.1
Mattresses, spring filled	102.4	101.3	99.1	99.1	99.1	96.7	96.0
Boxes and baskets, wood, industry	140.5	140.5	133.7	133.7	133.2	124.1	119.9

.. Figures not available.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Paper products industries:							
Boxes and bags, paper, industry	117.0	117.0	115.0	115.1	114.8	110.8	106.6
Boxes, folding	117.6	117.6	116.0	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	107.0	107.0	111.0	111.0	111.0	107.9	104.9
Pulp mills industry	102.3	102.7	103.4	103.3	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	105.7	105.8	104.9	104.8	105.1	105.0	100.6
Sulphate, bleached, export market	102.4	102.9	106.2	105.8	105.9	104.5	106.3
Paper mills industry	113.3	113.6	113.8	112.2	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	128.0	129.0	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	100.7	100.3	99.8	97.8	99.2	98.3	98.1
Paper, newsprint, white, in rolls	113.3	113.7	114.2	112.0	112.7	109.3	107.8
Paper, wrapping, Kraft No. 1	117.1	117.1	116.7	116.7	116.7	114.6	108.1
Roofing paper industry	90.6	90.2	83.7	81.6	82.4	78.6	81.6
Roll roofing, smooth surfaced	98.5	98.5	89.5	88.5	87.8	81.0	81.1
Roll roofing, felt, mineral surfaced	94.5	94.5	85.5	84.5	83.9	76.5	75.9
Felts, tar and asphalt saturated	80.2	79.2	75.8	75.8	75.2	69.5	72.8
Shingles, felt, asphalt saturated, rag and asbestos	81.0	81.0	71.0	70.0	69.5	64.5	64.0
Miscellaneous paper goods industry	117.4	117.3	113.1	113.1	114.0	109.7	106.0
Envelopes	122.2	122.2	117.2	117.2	117.9	111.1	106.9
Paper, toilet, packaged	117.0	116.8	109.8	109.8	111.6	106.5	103.8
Paper, waxed, including bread wrappers	115.9	115.9	110.8	110.4	111.1	107.5	103.6
Tissues, facial	105.6	105.6	102.3	102.3	102.8	100.9	97.5
Iron and steel products industries:							
Agricultural implements industry	127.4	127.4	123.3	123.3	123.5	121.5	117.4
Drills, grain and fertilizer, combination	139.7	139.7	134.5	134.5	135.1	132.2	128.4
Harrow-ploughs, one-way discs, tiller combines	126.3	126.3	123.6	123.6	123.8	124.4	121.2
Combines, reaper-threshers and stationary threshers	126.6	126.6	122.1	122.1	122.2	119.8	115.4
Scythes or windrows	119.0	119.0	120.0	120.0	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		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Iron and steel products industries-							
Concluded:							
Hardware, tools and cutlery industry	132.4	132.4	128.6	129.3	129.1	124.7	120.2
Heating and cooking apparatus industry	96.3	96.3	93.6	93.3	93.7	92.2	93.5
Furnaces, oil, gravity or forced air circulation	90.4	90.4	90.6	90.6	92.6	92.4	92.9
Stoves and ranges, cooking, gas	101.0	101.0	97.3	97.3	97.1	96.8	96.3
Machinery, household, office and store, industry	103.1	103.1	101.5	101.5	101.4	100.1	99.9
Castings, iron, industry	118.7	118.7	118.3	116.5	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	126.7	126.7	130.6	133.7	126.4
Castings, grey iron, commercial	126.9	127.0	124.4	118.9	121.6	119.1	116.4
Steel pipe and tubing	93.6	93.6	99.6	99.6	99.4	99.6	98.2
Pig iron industry	102.9	102.9	105.0	105.0	104.3	104.3	104.1
Steel ingots and castings industry	128.2	128.2	128.2	128.2	128.0	122.4	122.2
Rolled iron and steel products industry	111.0	111.0	111.4	111.4	111.2	109.4	108.6
Hot-rolled products, bars, all grades excluding concrete reinforcing bars	104.0	104.0	104.3	104.3	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	111.9	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	114.2	114.2	113.8	111.1	109.2
Wire cloth, Fourdrinier	119.0	119.0	116.2	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
Transportation equipment industries:							
Boatbuilding industry	135.3	135.3	139.0	139.0	137.6	132.8	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	116.3	116.5	117.1	117.9	117.9

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Transportation equipment industries -							
Concluded:							
Motor vehicles parts industry	114.4	114.3	113.3	113.7	113.5	110.6	110.2
Non-ferrous metal products industries:							
Aluminum products industry	114.8	114.1	112.8	112.8	112.8	111.7	110.6
Sheets	114.1	113.0	112.0	112.0	112.3	115.1	115.8
Utensils, cooking	156.4	156.4	150.4	150.4	149.7	142.7	135.4
Brass and copper products industry	120.2	128.7	120.0	120.0	120.7	115.7	100.8
Ingots, brass and bronze	131.5	135.7	129.2	129.2	133.8	138.6	116.9
Faucets and combinations, sink, bath and lavatory	144.9	144.9	133.1	133.1	133.1	131.6	118.8
Jewellery and silverware industry	193.0	196.1	162.8	154.4	157.6	138.6	133.2
Gold alloys	131.5	134.3	119.4	117.8	116.8	112.4	111.6
Flatware and cutlery, silver-plated	146.0	140.8	123.4	119.5	125.2	114.2	107.3
Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining industry	122.1	125.2	118.2	118.6	119.2	114.9	112.9
White metal alloys industry	116.5	117.2	116.0	116.0	116.6	120.1	118.7
Lead, antimonial	95.7	95.7	95.7	95.7	96.3	102.2	104.7
Solders	130.8	131.9	134.9	134.9	134.8	142.1	149.9
Type and type metals	121.2	121.2	112.1	112.1	112.4	115.1	113.4
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries:							
Batteries industry	115.0	114.4	115.4	115.4	114.5	107.7	104.8
Batteries, storage, automotive	100.6	99.4	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) ...	92.4	92.2	95.0	95.9	95.4	93.8	91.2
Industrial control equipment(1)	96.9	96.6	102.6	102.8	102.8	101.2	96.2
Motors a-c	88.6	88.4	90.2	90.2	89.9	88.4	89.0
Motors d-c	116.3	116.3	119.5	119.5	118.6	116.4	116.5
Transformers	89.0	88.7	92.8	94.3	94.1	91.1	87.1
Radio and television sets and parts industry .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Television sets, table model, including portable 18" to 23"	80.4	80.4	81.8	81.8	81.8	80.2	81.1
Television sets, console model, 18" to 23" ..	78.9	78.9	77.4	77.4	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 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities - Continued
(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries -							
Concluded:							
Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and appliances industry	79.0	78.7	78.4	78.6	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	88.7	90.2	89.2	88.7	87.3
Washing machines, electric, domestic, automatic type	95.0	95.0 ^r	94.8	94.8	95.0	93.9	93.1
Refrigerators, household	71.3	71.3 ^r	70.8	70.8	70.6	69.1	70.5
Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and supplies industry	113.1	111.9	110.6	110.6	109.1	103.1	98.7
Lamps, incandescent, standard	151.5	151.5	149.8	149.8	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	117.8	118.6	117.5	117.5	117.8	113.9	99.7
Conductors, un-insulated:							
Copper, copperweld, including trolley wires	121.3	125.1	120.1	120.1	120.3	111.4	101.7
Conductors, insulated:							
Weatherproof wires, all types	115.2	118.1	116.4	116.4	116.2	108.4	98.0
Rubber-insulated and braided	112.6	117.9	125.5	125.5	125.8	119.2	87.6
Magnet wires, enamelled	119.8	123.8	118.5	118.5	118.6	113.7	101.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries:							
Abrasives, artificial, industry	122.4	122.7	122.9	123.0	123.0	119.4	115.9
Alumina, fused, crude	118.3	118.6	120.6	120.7	120.5	117.3	113.2
Silicon carbide, crude	116.0	116.3	117.6	117.9	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	121.3	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	118.3	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

^r Revised figures.

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Non-metallic mineral products industries -							
Concluded:							
Concrete products industry	116.8	116.8	114.1	114.1	114.2	110.9	105.5
Blocks, gravel, building	109.4	109.4	107.0	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	117.7	116.2	116.6	113.3	112.3
Petroleum refining and products industry ...	96.1	96.1	94.5	94.5	94.2	93.5	93.2
Fuel oil, stove, No. 1	106.6	106.6	101.5	101.5	101.3	98.8	98.8
Diesel fuel	103.3	103.3	97.6	97.6	97.6	97.5	98.0
Fuel oil, light	106.7	106.7	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	126.7	123.0	124.8	120.9	118.2
Chemicals and allied products industries:							
Acids, alkalies and salts industry	107.5	107.1	106.5	106.3	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	104.4	104.4	104.4	102.7	102.5
Fertilizers industry	112.7	116.3	111.4	112.8	111.5	108.6	107.5
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations industry	106.5	107.7	103.3	103.0	104.4	101.7	98.3
Patent medicines	139.4	144.4	127.9	130.9	133.0	131.1	120.7
Ethical preparations for human use	108.8	108.8	107.7	105.3	107.7	104.2	102.9
Vitamin preparations	85.8	85.8	88.7	87.7	87.5	86.2	86.5
Paints, varnishes and lacquers industry	120.0	120.0	113.5	113.5	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	120.9	114.8	114.8	115.1	108.4	108.2
Thinner, lacquer, paint and enamel	99.5	99.5	105.0	105.0	103.0	102.6	100.2
Paints, latex emulsion	130.8	130.8	119.5	119.5	119.7	114.5	113.0
Paints, ready-mixed, including asphalt and tar paints	122.0	122.0	112.6	112.6	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

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Chemicals and allied products industries -							
Concluded:							
Soaps, washing compounds and cleaning preparations industry	115.9	115.0	115.5	114.9	115.4	113.1	117.5
Vegetable oils industry	105.9	105.9	107.1	105.7	105.6	112.9	106.6
Soya bean oilcake	148.0	147.7	141.7	141.8	138.2	151.4	134.9
Linseed oil, raw	87.9	86.1	85.1	74.7	80.8	77.1	80.7
Primary plastics industry	86.4	86.4	87.9	88.0	87.4	84.6	83.3
Synthetic resins, phenol-formaldehyde type	73.5	73.5	77.0	78.2	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	124.1	123.0	120.2	119.6	119.2	115.5	114.8
Wax, liquid, self-polishing	122.0	121.2	119.6	120.1	117.0	115.2	114.0
Gases, compressed, industry	117.7	118.1	110.4	110.6	110.4	110.6	110.8
Adhesives industry	109.4	109.4	109.4	109.4	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	111.4	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	124.0	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	132.6	131.8	115.1	106.9
Pipes, lighters and smokers' supplies industry	99.9	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.2	96.8	95.2

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	258.8	204.5	213.7
Apr.	267.2	228.0	285.1	254.6	362.5	276.6	255.6	205.6	215.1
May	268.7	229.0	289.3	255.4	364.0	276.6	257.8	206.1	214.3
June	270.3	230.9	294.4	255.8	364.9	276.6	259.1	206.3	215.6
July	269.2	229.9	296.5	256.1	364.7	276.7	247.0	206.3	215.0
Aug.									
Sept.									
Oct.									
Nov.									
Dec.									

(1) Includes gold.

(2) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

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

Special Groupings of Components of General Wholesale Index

Date	Non-farm products(1)	Combined	Raw	Fully and chiefly manufactured goods		Iron	Non-ferrous metals(4)
		iron, and non-ferrous metals groups(2)	and partly mfg. goods(3)	Total(3)	Iron and 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	337.6
Aug.	263.5	292.8	242.0	270.6	269.6	266.4	337.5
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	337.1
Nov.	263.9	295.8	243.2	269.9	271.1	268.0	337.1
Dec.	264.0	294.3	244.6	270.4	270.2	267.0	337.1
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	247.8	278.1	280.6	277.2	355.1
May	278.2	319.0	249.2	279.5	281.0	277.0	365.8
June	278.8	320.0	250.9	281.1	281.2	277.2	366.2
July	276.8	311.1	248.1	281.0	280.9	277.3	358.8
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.

TABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators - Concluded

Date	Industrial materials	Building materials(4)		Canadian farm products(2)		
		Residential(1)	Non- residential	Field	Animal	Total
		(1935-39=100)	(1949=100)	(1935-39=100)		
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	253.0	167.0	158.0	189.8	330.0	259.9
July	253.4	166.9	157.6	191.0	333.1	262.0
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		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Asbestos, crude	379.6	379.6	371.6	371.6	368.4	355.1	355.1
Beans, cocoa	666.0	666.0	626.4	645.1	664.3	585.8	415.0
Beans, coffee	285.2	284.6	298.7	305.4	299.2	328.1	342.4
Coal	208.3	208.3	201.8	201.8	204.7	201.8	200.9
Copper, electrolytic	419.5	475.5	440.5	440.5	441.7	419.5	351.6
Cotton, raw	301.8	299.9	270.6	271.3	280.6	273.7	286.7
Eggs	134.7	126.8	118.4	126.4	139.2	175.5	146.1
Fruits, fresh	279.1	259.9	178.3	174.9	201.8	206.5	211.0
Grains	211.0	211.9	222.1	225.9	220.1	221.1	208.1
Hides and skins	149.9	151.4	150.2	162.2	160.6	206.3	159.1
Lead, electrolytic	272.5	272.5	293.5	293.5	293.5	312.7	324.9
Livestock	362.6	361.6	355.0	364.7	355.5	362.9	333.4
Nickel	351.7	351.7	317.2	317.2	328.7	294.2	289.6
Oil, crude	191.6	191.5	191.8	191.8	191.7	191.6	192.0
Onions	357.1	357.1	292.7	272.2	290.6	277.8	245.0
Potatoes	226.5	226.5	164.8	152.5	162.1	223.5	319.0
Rubber, raw	141.8	144.3	142.5	148.1	138.7	164.2	176.5
Scrap iron and steel	255.9	255.9	262.9	264.8	263.5	282.7	300.5
Silver	641.6	699.0	363.7	363.4	425.8	360.0	360.2
Steers	463.5	457.6	464.5	456.7	460.8	432.5	400.0
Sugar, raw	91.5	98.4	104.1	127.1	103.5	99.6	113.7
Tin	292.7	292.4	319.4	321.8	317.3	339.1	367.8
Wool, raw, domestic	156.1	152.5	186.4	190.0	183.1	242.8	229.3
Wool, raw, imported	157.5	157.5	177.9	177.9	163.1	192.3	174.9
Zinc, prime, western	300.2	300.2	300.2	305.8	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		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
dollars							
Vegetable products:							
Barley, No. 1 feed, bu.	1.16	1.15	1.27	1.26	1.25	1.32	1.26
Coffee beans, Green Santos 2/3's, lb. ....	.42	.42	.43	.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.	1.30	1.27	1.20	1.07	1.16	1.10	1.16
Oats, No. 2 C.W., bu. ....	.95	.94	.92	.92	.93	.93	.85
Potatoes, No. 1 Saint John, 75-lb. bag	2.62	2.62	1.85	1.85	2.09	2.86	3.78
Sugar, granulated, std., Montreal, 100-lb. bag	6.40	6.60	6.65	7.55	6.62	6.38	6.83
Wheat, No. 2, Manitoba Northern, bu.	1.94	1.94	2.04	2.08	2.02	2.04	1.91
Animal products:							
Butter, prints, 1st. grade, Montreal, 1b. ..	.66	.66	.66	.66	.65	.62	.57
Eggs, grade "A", large, Montreal, doz. ....	.46	.43	.40	.42	.48	.58	.48
Hides, packer, light native steers, lb. ....	.14	.14	.15	.16	.16	.22	.17
Hogs, Toronto (bonus excluded) 100-lb.	31.81	30.34	29.08	31.41	29.69	35.05	32.46
Steers, good, Toronto, 100 lb.	27.50	27.22	28.00	27.50	27.66	26.05	24.03

TABLE 5. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities - Concluded

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
dollars							
Textile products:							
Cotton, raw, middling, 1", Memphis, 1b. (1)	.27	.27	.26	.26	.27	.31	.35
Cotton yarn, 10's, white, 1b. ....	.77	.77	.77	.77	.77	.76	.75
Cotton, grey Osnaburg, clean, 7 1/8 oz., yd.	.36	.36	.37	.37	.36	.35	.35
Rayon yarn, 36 filament, 150 denier, 1b. ....	.95	.95	.95	.95	.94	.93	.93
Wool, raw, Australian, 64's, clean, 1b. ....	.93	.93	.93	.93	.87	1.01	.92
Wool, raw, Eastern, domestic, 1b. ....	.29	.28	.36	.37	.36	.48	.45
Wood products:							
Newsprint paper, standard, Quebec, 2000-lb. ton	132.91	133.89	134.61	131.72	132.85	128.76	125.51
Pine, white, No. 1, 1" x 8", 8' - 16', 1000-bd. ft.	200.56	200.56	194.00	195.00	195.58	188.75	182.00
Shingles, asphalt, 12" x 36", 100 sq. ft. ..	6.72	6.72	5.90	5.67	5.74	5.26	5.19
Spruce, merchantable, 1" x 6"/7", 1000-bd. ft.	91.40	91.40	87.30	87.30	87.34	86.85	85.50
Iron products:							
Cast iron scrap, 2240-lb. ton	43.00	43.00	45.00	45.00	45.25	51.17	48.00
Steel scrap, No. 1, heavy melting, cbs. 2000-lb. ton .....	..	..	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.	45.00	51.00	47.25	47.25	47.38	45.00	37.64
Lead, pig, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.92	15.50
Tin, ingots, 99.8%, Montreal, 1b.	1.56	1.56	1.70	1.72	1.69	1.81	1.97
Zinc, high grade, electrolytic, 100-lb.	14.10	14.10	14.10	14.35	14.48	15.10	15.10
Non-metallic minerals products:							
Cement, Portland, Calgary, 350-lb.	4.30	4.30	4.10	4.10	4.05	3.84	3.68
Cement, Portland, Toronto, 350-lb.	3.74	3.74	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.44	3.41
Coal, anthracite, U.S., stove size, 2000-lb. ton	27.47	26.95	26.42	25.94	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.

.. Figures not available.

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

Date	Principal components									
	Total index	Con-crete pro-ducts	Bricks	Lumber and lumber products	Wall board and insulation	Roofing ma-terials	Paint and glass	Plumb-ing and heating equip-ment	Elec-trical equip-ment and fixtures	Metal pro-ducts
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	380.8	188.4	263.5	567.1	177.2	299.7	314.3	274.4	228.7	262.6
July	380.5	188.4	263.5	568.7	177.2	299.7	314.3	269.6	226.6	263.3
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.

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(2) - 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	158.0	147.9	163.4	160.7	181.5	149.4	129.5
July	157.6	147.9	163.4	160.8	182.3	148.3	128.4
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	Hard- ware	Wall- board and insulation	Roofing materials	Paint and glass	Miscel- laneous 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	177.8	161.8	142.9	140.0	202.3	103.0
July	177.1	161.8	142.9	140.4	202.3	103.0
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.

TABLE 8. Consumer Price Indexes, Canada, 1958-68
(1949=100)

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- porta- tion	Health and personal care	Recre- ation 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	154.7	149.4	157.6	136.4	161.8	197.9	174.2	141.1
July	155.6	151.9	158.3	136.1	161.9	198.8	174.8	141.1
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)

	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
All-items index	155.6	154.7	150.2	148.8	149.0	143.9	138.7
Food	151.9	149.4	148.5	144.8	146.4	144.5	135.9
Food at home	149.3	146.6	146.4	142.6	144.2	143.6	135.2
Dairy products	165.9	165.2	161.5	160.6	159.0	148.6	139.5
Cereal products	171.9	171.3	168.3	167.5	168.9	166.4	162.1
Miscellaneous groceries	135.4	134.1	131.1	130.8	131.0	131.0	129.0
Beef	166.0	161.2	163.0	155.2	162.3	154.4	140.2
Pork	127.8	126.2	135.6	134.2	133.5	147.6	127.6
Fresh pork	129.6	127.3	138.0	136.7	134.9	144.1	126.9
Cured pork	125.4	124.3	132.5	131.0	131.3	149.3	127.1
Other meats	139.5	137.4	137.7	134.7	137.0	136.6	121.3
Fish	171.5	171.7	167.1	166.8	168.0	164.8	150.1
Poultry	79.0	79.4	72.6	78.6	77.5	80.7	74.8
Eggs	80.0	80.4	76.7	78.6	88.0	104.3	88.3
Dairy products including butter	149.9	149.4	146.8	146.1	144.9	135.9	126.9
Fats and oils including butter	108.7	108.7	109.8	109.8	109.7	106.5	98.7
Fats and oils excluding butter	107.8	108.0	110.9	111.5	111.9	114.2	109.1
Total fruit	188.2	187.6	164.8	153.8	151.8	150.9	152.6
Fresh fruit	213.5	212.7	183.3	164.9	160.0	155.6	158.1
Canned fruit	138.9	138.3	128.0	127.9	129.3	132.0	131.9
Total vegetables	184.9	176.4	185.6	166.7	159.0	162.6	160.8
Fresh vegetables	198.7	186.0	203.5	175.2	162.9	170.5	170.6
Canned vegetables	160.1	160.2	152.2	151.8	153.8	149.8	143.8
Direct imports(1)	166.9	170.5	150.5	142.2	143.7	145.3	148.8
Restaurant meals(2)	145.6	144.6	140.0	137.5	138.7	129.0	120.2
Housing	158.3	157.6	151.9	151.2	151.0	144.7	140.9
Shelter	180.9	180.5	171.4	170.3	170.5	162.9	157.8
Tenant costs	161.0	160.3	154.1	153.5	153.5	148.5	146.0
Home-ownership costs	200.3	200.0	188.3	186.7	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	139.4	135.0	137.2	130.8	125.5
Repairs	213.4	213.1	201.0	200.8	199.5	187.9	180.9
New houses	218.3	217.5	204.0	203.9	202.9	189.3	181.2
Personal property insurance	178.7	178.7	164.4	164.4	167.6	158.3	147.8
Household operation	136.3	135.6	133.3	132.9	132.5	127.6	125.1
Fuel	117.0	117.0	113.6	113.6	113.5	111.7	111.6
Coal	147.2	147.2	143.5	143.5	144.6	140.8	138.6
Fuel oil	98.6	98.6	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	130.0	126.5	125.3	125.7	122.7	114.4	114.3
Home furnishings	131.0	131.0	128.4	127.7	127.6	122.3	119.5
Appliances	83.9	83.8	84.2	83.1	83.6	82.0	81.8
Furniture	149.1	148.7	144.4	144.2	143.7	134.8	129.2
Floor coverings	140.3	140.3	140.6	139.9	139.5	137.7	139.3
Textiles	132.5	133.4	129.0	128.3	127.9	124.7	122.9
Utensils and equipment ..	181.3	181.3	173.8	173.6	172.6	162.2	154.9

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 2. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued

(1949=100)

	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Housing - Concluded:							
Supplies and services	159.2	157.9	156.5	156.0	156.3	151.2	146.5
Supplies	150.8	149.0	147.5	148.8	148.4	142.3	138.7
Services	165.3	164.5	163.2	161.3	162.2	157.8	152.2
Telephone rates	157.4	157.4	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	237.7	233.1	231.9	221.2	226.6	212.5	195.6
Household effects insurance	150.2	150.2	144.3	144.3	145.9	138.3	119.4
Clothing	136.1	136.4	132.5	132.5	132.3	126.0	121.4
Men's wear	146.4	146.3	141.2	141.6	141.1	133.8	129.4
Suit	163.7	162.3	155.3	156.3	155.0	145.4	140.3
Business shirt	139.2	139.1	137.4	137.4	136.5	131.5	122.2
Hat	-	-	-	-	150.0	141.5	139.0
Women's wear	116.0	116.7	114.6	114.5	114.8	110.2	106.4
Winter coat	-	-	-	-	129.4	124.5	115.6
Spring coat	105.8	106.5	102.3	102.3	103.4	100.0	95.6
Cotton street dress	113.5	114.7	106.8	108.6	108.0	106.1	105.2
Slip	102.6	102.6	102.2	102.2	101.8	100.3	99.3
Hosiery	78.7	78.9	78.9	78.9	78.5	77.2	76.6
Children's wear	118.7	119.1	118.0	117.8	117.9	111.8	110.5
Boys:							
Slacks	130.5	130.5	124.4	124.0	125.3	119.4	118.4
T-Shirt	120.4	121.7	119.2	121.0	121.1	120.9	118.2
Sweater	149.8	149.9	142.7	141.3	141.7	132.8	129.1
Parka	-	-	-	-	101.8	96.8	90.1
Girls:							
Spring coat	131.6	132.0	134.7	134.4	133.7	122.0	129.3
Cotton dress	104.7	104.7	104.6	104.6	104.1	98.0	97.4
Snow suit	-	-	-	-	106.0	102.0	100.4
Infants:							
Diapers	126.0	126.0	124.1	124.1	124.4	122.5	122.5
Overalls	115.2	115.2	115.3	115.3	113.4	114.7	113.7
Footwear	187.7	188.1	179.2	178.9	178.1	168.1	157.8
Men's oxfords	201.0	202.5	194.3	194.3	193.8	179.4	166.4
Women's street shoes	179.2	179.2	171.8	171.3	170.3	161.3	151.5
Children's shoes	198.1	198.1	188.2	188.2	186.3	178.4	167.7
Women's overshoes	-	-	-	-	153.1	145.5	140.4
Piece goods	135.3	134.7	134.5	134.5	132.8	126.1	124.1
Cotton dress print	129.5	128.2	128.6	128.6	126.2	119.1	117.3
Wool dress material	101.5	101.5	100.6	100.5	100.4	100.4	99.3
Clothing services	176.1	176.1	170.6	170.6	169.8	163.1	155.3
Laundry	193.5	193.5	186.7	186.7	186.4	179.5	172.1
Dry cleaning	160.7	160.7	156.3	156.3	155.5	149.8	142.6
Shoe repairs	193.6	193.6	183.7	183.7	182.8	172.0	161.9
Jewellery(2)	136.8	136.8	129.6	129.6	129.5	122.4	118.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1949=100)

	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Transportation	161.9	161.8	158.3	158.2	157.2	150.8	147.3
Automobile operation	135.5	135.7	133.2	133.3	132.9	129.6	127.0
New passenger car	119.3	119.8	118.0	118.2	117.7	115.7	118.0
Gasoline	121.1	121.0	116.6	116.4	116.0	113.3	108.6
Tires	164.5	164.5	168.2	168.2	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	238.1	238.1	240.0	223.9	208.7
Brake relining	191.4	191.4	179.6	179.6	180.4	168.0	159.4
Battery	112.3	112.3	110.4	110.4	110.4	105.0	101.1
Local transportation	278.2	277.9	268.3	268.3	263.5	229.0	221.0
Street car and bus fares ..	298.5	298.2	287.7	287.7	282.0	242.5	234.2
Taxi fare	160.5	160.5	155.7	155.7	154.8	145.6	139.8
Travel	150.7	144.9	138.8	135.9	131.7	127.9	122.3
Train fare	152.7	142.2	140.7	135.2	127.1	120.5	109.8
Bus fare	139.4	137.3	131.5	131.5	130.4	128.5	127.8
Plane fare(2)	123.8	123.8	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	111.9
Health and personal care	198.8	197.9	191.5	190.7	190.2	180.9	175.5
Health care	203.8	202.8	195.8	194.3	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	246.2	241.7	229.4	223.4	226.0	217.2	219.1
Pharmaceuticals	117.8	117.8	124.2	124.2	122.2	121.4	119.9
Headache tablets	120.3	120.3	128.8	128.8	126.9	127.4	125.7
Vitamins	89.0	89.0	96.3	96.3	94.6	96.2	98.5
Bandages	171.6	171.6	174.7	174.7	173.4	174.6	174.2
Prescriptions	95.3	95.3	100.6	100.6	98.9	98.5	97.0
Personal care	187.2	186.6	181.3	181.7	181.7	172.7	164.1
Supplies	146.6	145.7	143.4	144.1	144.9	142.6	138.1
Toilet soap	154.3	151.4	150.7	154.1	156.7	157.2	148.9
Toothpaste	143.8	142.8	141.3	141.6	142.5	141.2	138.7
Face powder	161.4	161.4	155.3	155.3	154.9	149.6	147.4
Razor blades	112.1	112.1	111.5	111.0	110.4	106.7	106.2
Cleansing tissues	129.5	129.3	124.6	123.0	125.2	123.7	119.6
Services	246.3	246.2	236.5	236.5	235.5	217.0	202.3
Men's haircuts	269.5	269.2	258.7	258.7	257.2	235.8	219.8
Women's hairdressing	217.0	217.0	208.4	208.2	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)

	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1965
Recreation and reading	174.8	174.2	167.8	167.1	166.8	158.7	154.3
Recreation	169.1	169.3	163.6	163.0	162.5	154.5	150.7
Theatre admission	295.4	295.4	272.9	272.9	268.4	236.5	215.4
Admission to sporting events	231.9	231.9	217.9	217.9	220.4	208.6	205.8
Radio	98.2	98.6	98.6	97.3	97.7	97.1	96.5
Television, console(2)	92.1	92.7	96.2	94.8	95.8	95.8	98.0
Camera film	180.0	180.0	174.8	174.8	173.6	167.1	163.4
Phonograph record	159.3	159.0	144.9	139.6	143.3	132.5	131.0
Bicycle	137.0	137.3	134.1	132.6	132.6	125.0	122.4
Sports equipment(2)	126.4	126.4	119.2	119.2	118.3	109.3	105.6
Toys(2)	120.7	120.7	118.1	118.1	116.1	109.7	107.3
Television repairs(2)	134.0	134.0	126.6	126.6	126.6	124.7	122.5
Reading	192.4	189.3	180.5	179.7	179.7	171.5	165.2
Newspapers	235.8	230.3	223.1	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	141.1	128.1	128.1	128.3	125.1	122.3
Tobacco	140.9	140.9	124.0	124.0	124.4	119.5	114.7
Cigarettes	134.7	134.7	118.3	118.3	118.6	113.6	108.9
Cigarette tobacco	158.0	158.0	141.8	141.8	142.8	141.5	139.4
Alcohol	140.9	140.9	130.9	130.9	131.0	128.9	127.6
Beer	135.7	135.7	126.8	126.8	127.0	125.5	124.9
Liquor	151.3	151.3	139.1	139.1	138.9	135.9	132.9
Supplementary classifications:							
Commodities:							
Total	139.8	139.2	136.2	134.8	134.9	131.5	126.7
Total excluding food	133.6	133.5	129.0	128.9	128.6	124.0	121.5
Durable	120.5	120.6	119.1	118.8	118.6	115.0	114.6
Household equipment	124.9	124.9	123.4	122.7	122.7	118.2	116.1
Appliances(3)	85.7	85.8	86.8	85.8	86.3	85.3	85.6
Other	158.2	158.0	153.5	153.1	152.5	144.1	139.0
Transportation equipment ...	119.7	120.2	118.5	118.8	118.2	115.7	117.2
Non-durable	143.9	143.0	139.8	138.1	138.3	134.9	129.2
Non-durable excluding food ...	138.7	138.3	132.7	132.7	132.4	127.5	124.1
Textiles ("use" classification)	127.3	127.7	124.9	124.8	124.7	119.1	115.8
Garments	126.3	126.7	123.9	123.9	123.9	118.2	114.6
Household furnishings and piece goods	133.5	134.0	131.0	130.6	129.7	125.3	123.4
Textiles (chief component material classification)	127.3	127.7	124.9	124.8	124.7	119.1	115.8
Wool	142.5	142.4	136.2	136.3	137.5	130.9	126.5
Cotton	132.3	132.6	128.8	128.8	128.2	122.7	120.0
Synthetic	108.4	109.3	106.9	106.6	106.1	102.7	101.2
Fur	109.1	109.7	119.1	119.0	117.1	109.7	104.0
Footwear	187.7	188.1	179.2	178.9	178.1	168.1	157.8
Leather	190.7	191.2	182.9	182.6	181.6	171.2	160.2
Rubber and plastic	165.6	166.0	152.1	152.0	153.1	145.5	140.4
Other non-durable	139.9	139.2	132.5	132.5	132.2	128.0	125.1
Services:							
Total	195.2	194.5	187.3	186.4	185.9	176.6	170.6
Total excluding shelter	216.6	215.9	208.4	207.4	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)

	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1968 price relative 1949=100
Dairy products:							
Milk, fresh, qt.	30.6	30.4	29.5	29.5	29.0	26.8	171.6
Milk, evaporated, 16 oz.	18.5	18.6	19.0	18.7	18.7	18.5	125.1
Powdered skim milk, pkg., 3 lb.	136.2	136.5	137.4	136.5	134.2	125.6	115.8 (2)
Butter, creamery, first grade, lb.	70.5	70.4	70.8	70.6	70.4	67.1	109.1
Cheese, plain, processed, 1/2 lb.	45.6	45.7	45.4	44.8	44.7	43.1	156.2
Poultry and eggs:							
Chicken, grade A evisc. (1 1/2 - 4 lb.).1b.(5)	47.7	47.9	44.0	48.0	47.5	49.7	90.3 (3)
Turkey, grade A evisc. (8 - 16 lb.), 1b.(5)	49.1	49.0	47.0	48.6	48.2	50.5	83.7 (2)
Eggs, fresh, grade A large, doz.	49.1	49.5	47.1	48.3	54.1	64.1	79.9
Eggs, fresh, grade A medium, doz.(5)	43.8	45.3	39.4	41.6	46.5	58.4	94.3
Beef:							
Sirloin steak, lb.	130.0	124.6	126.0	116.7	123.7	116.7	184.6
Round steak, lb.	109.3	106.4	107.5	102.8	107.8	102.5	163.0
Prime rib roast, lb.(6)	109.5	107.2	109.0	105.9	108.7	104.9	163.2
Blade roast, lb.(7)	73.7	70.4	74.6	69.8	74.6	71.1	152.4
Stewing beef, lb.	83.8	82.9	78.3	77.0	79.2	76.3	179.7
Hamburg, lb.	59.3	58.8	58.6	57.8	58.7	55.8	156.6
Liver, sliced, lb.	62.0	61.4	61.3	59.9	60.7	62.9	110.5 (2)
Pork:							
Rib chops, fresh, lb.	81.7	79.8	88.0	86.8	85.1	91.0	143.6
Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh, lb.	60.6	60.1	65.3	65.1	64.1	72.3	109.5
Sausage, pure pork, lb.	70.3	69.7	72.5	72.2	72.4	74.8	142.4
Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off, 1/2 lb.	52.0	51.7	56.4	54.8	55.0	66.5	122.6
Ham, smoked, boneless, to be cooked, lb.(8)	119.0	116.5	127.3	126.0	124.8	136.8	140.0 (3)
Other meats:							
Lamb, leg roast, lb.	87.1	84.2	82.8	78.1	81.9	89.3	120.9
Veal, loin chops, rib end, lb.	126.5	124.9	120.3	117.0	119.7	110.1	170.3
Wieners or frankfurters, lb.	62.0	61.1	62.9	62.0	62.4	63.1	118.5 (2)
Meat loaf, canned, mainly pork, 12 oz.	53.7	53.3	56.7	57.1	57.3	60.8	171.5 (2)
Fish:							
Cod fillets, frozen, lb.(3)	49.8	49.9	48.3	48.4	48.2	47.4	147.1 (3)
Salmon, canned, fancy pink, 8 oz.	42.7	42.7	41.3	41.3	41.6	41.4	172.5
Fats and oils:							
Margarine, lb.	33.9	34.0	35.1	35.3	35.4	36.0	105.3
Lard, pure, lb.	22.2	22.5	27.8	27.9	27.4	30.1	94.7
Shortening, lb.	39.1	39.2	39.9	39.9	40.2	40.9	121.1
Salad dressing, jar, 16 oz.	43.3	43.3	43.1	43.6	43.7	44.4	107.0 (2)
Cereals and bakery products:							
Flour, white, all purpose, lb.	11.9	11.9	11.8	11.8	11.8	11.4	170.9
Corn flakes, pkg., 8 oz.	24.1	24.2	24.2	24.0	24.2	23.4	170.9
Macaroni, dry, pkg., lb.	23.8	23.5	23.1	22.9	23.0	21.8	172.9
Cake mix, white, pkg., 14-16 oz.	40.0	39.3	39.3	38.8	39.3	39.4	125.6
Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced, lb.	19.5	19.4	18.9	18.8	19.0	19.0	192.9
Soda crackers, pkg., lb.	42.7	42.6	41.2	41.4	41.3	40.0	112.3 (2)
Sugar and sweets:							
Sugar, granulated, lb.	9.2	9.5	10.1	10.0	9.4	9.5	100.2
Jam, strawberry, 2 lb. jar, lb.(9)	30.7	30.6	30.1	30.1	30.5	31.7	132.5
Honey, No. 1, white, 2 lb.(3)	71.1	71.1	71.4	71.4	71.6	70.1	116.9 (2)

See footnotes at end of table.

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

	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	June 1967	1967	1966	1968 price relative 1949=100
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Fruits:							
Oranges, California, medium size (138), doz.	71.9	71.2	50.7	50.1	56.0	56.8	204.3
Grapefruit, white, 48's, 1/2 doz.	85.0	82.3	72.4	59.9	63.0	70.0	221.1
Bananas, yellow, 1b.	18.2	18.0	18.5	17.6	18.0	18.1	96.9
Apples, volume seller, 1b.	27.9	24.5	24.0	22.7	19.9	18.6	272.1
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg., 15 oz.(5)	49.9	49.8	49.8	49.3	50.3	52.2	106.6 (3)
Orange juice, conc., frozen, fancy, 6 oz.(5)	25.3	25.2	21.3	21.4	22.6	26.1	110.1 (2)
Apple juice, choice, 20 oz.	18.7	18.9	18.5	18.5	18.5	18.7	162.1
Orange juice, unsweetened, 20 oz.	23.0	22.8	20.0	19.8	20.4	21.9	109.3
Pears, canned, choice, 15 oz.	25.1	25.0	23.6	23.5	23.8	25.1	116.7
Peaches, canned, choice, halves, 15 oz.	33.5	33.2	30.3	30.4	30.7	30.1	162.1
Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced, 20 oz.(5)	41.9	42.1	42.1	42.0	42.1	42.5	103.8 (2)
Raisins, California and Australia, 1b.	41.4	41.4	37.7	37.5	37.9	37.1	234.8
Vegetables:							
Potatoes, No. 1 table, 10 lb.	80.1	77.3	61.9	52.6	56.1	64.0	229.0
Onions, No. 1, cooking, 1b.	19.5	21.1	17.2	17.0	16.4	14.8	264.3
Carrots, 1b.	16.6	16.2	15.5	15.4	14.1	14.9	220.7
Turnips, Canada No. 1, 1b.	14.5	12.0	14.7	12.8	11.2	11.2	290.5
Cabbage, 1b.	13.3	15.1	14.3	15.8	12.7	13.6	172.3
Tomatoes, fresh, 1b.	41.1	35.7	42.8	32.1	31.4	32.2	176.0
Celery stalks, green, 1b.(5)	26.1	20.8	23.5	22.5	19.9	20.3	154.5
Lettuce, head, fresh, 1b.(5)	21.4	19.5	45.6	33.5	26.7	26.5	139.1
Green peas, frozen, fancy, pkg., 12 oz.(5) ..	26.5	26.5	25.7	25.8	25.7	24.5	105.3 (3)
Green beans, Fr. cut, frozen, pkg., 10 oz.(5)	27.3	27.0	27.0	27.0	26.9	26.4	102.1 (2)
Tomatoes, canned, choice, 28 oz.	33.2	33.6	35.6	35.7	35.5	35.8	165.4
Peas, canned, choice, 15 oz.	22.6	22.5	19.9	19.8	20.3	19.4	155.4
Corn, canned, cream, choice, 20 oz.	26.5	26.3	24.5	24.5	24.8	23.8	138.9
Infants' food, vegetable, tin, 5 oz.	12.5	12.5	12.3	12.3	12.4	12.6	150.7
Beans, with pork and tomato sauce, 15 oz. ...	23.3	23.1	22.7	22.8	22.9	22.5	168.2
Soup, vegetable, 10 oz.	15.3	15.4	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.4	125.6
Tomato juice, fancy, 20 oz.	20.0	20.5	19.9	19.7	20.0	19.6	124.9 (2)
Beverages:							
Tea bags, orange pekoe, pkg., 60-bag	85.3	85.4	84.1	84.6	84.9	85.2	106.6 (2)
Coffee, medium quality, pkg., 1b.	87.7	88.0	87.5	89.0	89.7	93.0	140.9
Coffee, instant, dried, jar, 6 oz.	108.5	108.4	104.0	105.1	106.8	112.3	102.1 (2)
Miscellaneous groceries:							
Tomato catsup, bottle, 1l oz.	26.3	26.1	26.5	26.3	26.5	26.1	111.4 (2)
Peanut butter, plain, jar, 16 oz.	44.9	44.5	43.5	44.7	44.7	45.5	123.7
Pickles, sweet, mixed, jar, 16 oz.	40.1	40.0	39.4	39.4	39.3	38.8	144.3
Jelly powders, flavoured, pkg., 3 oz.	11.8	12.0	11.9	11.9	11.8	11.7	122.0 (3)

(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 the 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								
<u>ALL-ITEMS</u>										
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	138.3
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	135.5	146.7	150.0	152.2	153.6	156.2	149.9	145.1	145.6	148.3
July	136.2	147.3	150.9	153.1	153.2	157.4	150.9	145.6	146.3	148.8
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	129.7	145.2	149.4	154.0	152.4	148.4	149.8	147.6	141.7	145.1
July	131.6	146.6	152.0	156.7	156.9	150.6	150.2	148.3	143.3	146.5
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 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Concluded

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.	100.63	135.2	84.37	113.2
Apr.	104.28	140.1	87.37	117.4
May	104.42 ^P	140.3 ^P	87.21 ^P	117.1 ^P
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	367.6	313.2	268.6	288.1	835.7	265.0	326.6
April	388.9	313.6	272.4	288.1	948.8	267.1	340.2
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	312.4
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	383.8	311.0	262.8	298.2	843.7	267.0	337.1
April	402.8	311.3	266.9	298.2	927.4	267.9	348.8
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	316.1
April	375.1	314.5	277.6	279.6	979.2	266.3	331.6
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		
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967
dollars									
Corn, cracked	3.75	3.76	4.12	4.12	4.16	4.73	3.62	3.64	4.02
Oats, unground	3.50	3.49	3.42	3.67	3.67	3.54	3.52	3.52	3.50
Barley, ground	3.40	3.41	3.45	3.72	3.73	3.70	3.41	3.43	3.57
Wheat, unground	3.89	3.89	3.96	4.18	4.18	4.30	3.84	3.86	4.00
Bran	3.38	3.39	3.61	3.30	3.30	3.63	3.29	3.27	3.67
Shorts	3.48	3.49	3.69	3.31	3.31	3.72	3.39	3.36	3.73
Middlings	3.61	3.62	3.89	3.55	3.52	4.01	3.56	3.55	3.91
Linseed oil meal	5.95	5.95	5.86	6.62	6.62	6.40	5.86	5.85	5.84
Soybean oil meal	6.50	6.41	6.48	7.75	7.58	7.25	6.51	6.32	6.56
Calf starter (20-24%)	5.62	5.62	5.61	5.63	5.70	5.65	5.35	5.35	5.31
Dairy ration (16%)	4.04	4.04	4.06	4.19	4.19	4.16	4.03	4.05	4.10
Dairy supplement (24%) (East)	4.89	4.89	4.91	4.68	4.81	4.95	4.93	4.92	4.89
Dairy supplement (32%) (West)	5.44	5.43	5.40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pig starter mash	5.35	5.36	5.48	5.30	5.35	5.54	5.37	5.37	5.52
Hog concentrate (35%)	6.85	6.83	6.83	7.45	7.45	7.45	6.87	6.89	6.94
Hog grower mash	4.25	4.26	4.33	4.51	4.53	4.54	4.27	4.29	4.37
Chick starter mash (18-20%)	5.49	5.47	5.56	5.66	5.67	5.95	5.40	5.34	5.57
Growing mash	4.79	4.79	4.87	4.79	4.80	4.86	4.87	4.90	5.05
Laying mash (17-20%)	4.82	4.82	4.90	5.11	5.11	5.19	4.90	4.92	5.04
Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.53	5.53	5.68	6.08	6.00	6.02	5.52	5.60	5.78
Turkey growing mash	5.29	5.29	5.36	5.68	5.68	5.68	5.60	5.58	5.58
Ontario									
	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967	July 1968	June 1968	July 1967
dollars									
Corn, cracked	3.49	3.48	3.89	4.78	4.77	4.59	4.49	4.49	4.59
Oats, unground	3.51	3.52	3.44	2.71	2.64	2.68	3.87	3.84	3.64
Barley, ground	3.46	3.50	3.55	2.68	2.66	2.69	3.64	3.63	3.51
Wheat, unground	3.94	3.93	3.97	3.26	3.25	3.36	4.18	4.15	4.12
Bran	3.37	3.41	3.63	3.53	3.53	3.47	3.40	3.41	3.62
Shorts	3.53	3.56	3.73	3.54	3.54	3.53	3.56	3.59	3.72
Middlings	3.64	3.67	3.88	3.70	3.70	3.49	3.87	3.84	3.92
Linseed oil meal	5.79	5.79	5.66	5.90	5.90	5.79	6.44	6.44	6.46
Soybean oil meal	6.10	6.06	6.18	7.10	6.98	6.62	6.69	6.69	6.88
Calf starter (20-24%)	5.85	5.84	5.80	5.38	5.41	5.37	6.02	6.02	6.13
Dairy ration (16%)	4.02	4.02	4.06	3.78	3.77	3.77	4.24	4.24	4.19
Dairy supplement (24%)	4.80	4.79	4.81	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dairy supplement (32%)	-	-	-	5.39	5.38	5.34	6.10	6.10	5.85
Pig starter mash	5.45	5.46	5.60	5.43	5.44	5.50	4.80	4.79	4.80
Hog concentrate (35%)	6.87	6.83	6.87	6.65	6.65	6.47	6.70	6.70	6.83
Hog grower mash	4.27	4.27	4.36	3.81	3.81	3.89	4.48	4.49	4.43
Chick starter mash (18-20%)	5.70	5.69	5.83	5.22	5.19	5.17	5.60	5.60	5.44
Growing mash	4.89	4.88	4.95	4.37	4.36	4.48	4.97	4.97	4.89
Laying mash (17-20%)	4.82	4.81	4.92	4.50	4.48	4.56	4.91	4.91	4.83
Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.66	5.60	5.86	5.42	5.39	5.41	5.52	5.58	5.72
Turkey growing mash	5.53	5.51	5.60	4.79	4.79	4.99	5.33	5.33	5.27

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

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices

(1956=100)

Current number of stocks	Investors index									
	Inves- tors(1) total	Total indus- trial	Indus- trial mines	Foods	Bever- ages	Textiles and clothing	Pulp and paper	Print- ing and publish- ing	Primary metals	Metal fabri- cating
	(114)	(80)	(4)	(11)	(7)	(5)	(7)	(4)	(8)	(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	174.4	182.7	202.5	199.8	263.8	146.1	100.4	677.9	88.0	123.8
July	181.8	189.4	198.4	225.3	277.4	162.1	112.0	689.5	93.7	130.3
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
Weekly index:										
July 4	181.1	188.7	196.7	214.2	278.0	160.9	113.2	703.5	93.2	125.9
July 11	183.2	191.2	199.6	225.5	277.8	159.2	115.3	697.1	96.2	130.5
July 18	183.4	190.8	199.5	231.8	279.0	165.1	114.1	677.5	94.6	134.0
July 25	179.3	186.8	197.6	229.7	274.9	163.2	105.4	679.8	90.9	130.9

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

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

(1956=100)

Current number of stocks	Investors index									
	Non- metallic minerals	Petro- leum	Chem- icals	Con- struc- tion	Retail trade	Total utili- ties	Pipe- line	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone	Elec- tric- power
	(4)	(7)	(4)	(4)	(6)	(20)	(5)	(4)	(3)	(3)
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	166.0	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	93.0	168.0	106.7	77.4	294.6	159.0	176.4	189.6	101.9	118.6
July	107.0	176.1	116.5	82.9	308.6	166.5	179.8	197.1	106.8	128.3
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										
Weekly index:										
July 4	101.4	175.8	115.9	83.5	306.8	166.3	178.4	194.0	107.8	127.4
July 11	111.0	176.8	120.7	84.6	312.5	166.9	178.7	195.1	107.6	127.5
July 18	111.4	178.2	117.4	84.2	310.9	169.2	184.4	202.2	107.6	131.2
July 25	104.2	173.5	112.0	79.3	304.2	163.7	177.7	197.1	104.0	127.0

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

Current number of stocks	Investors index				Mining index				Supplementary indexes		
	Gas distribution	Total finance	Banks	Investment and loan	Total mining	Golds	Base metals	Uraniums	Primary oils and gas	Preferred 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	392.8	154.0	164.9	132.4	108.6	158.1	81.4	257.8	205.5	75.0	
July	414.0	164.5	174.8	144.0	105.4	151.5	80.1	271.8	209.4	77.5	
Aug.											
Sept.											
Oct.											
Nov.											
Dec.											
Weekly index:											
July 4	416.7	163.2	173.9	141.9	105.9	152.5	80.4	269.1	205.1	..	
July 11	422.1	165.7	175.6	146.0	104.5	147.5	81.0	276.8	214.5	..	
July 18	415.7	166.0	176.1	145.9	106.5	153.5	80.8	277.5	213.1	..	
July 25	401.4	163.2	173.7	142.4	104.6	152.5	78.3	263.6	205.1	..	

.. Figures not available.

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 prices of these things are implicit in commodity prices. As a conventional summary figure, its use has tended towards a reference level against which to observe the behaviour of particular price groups such as farm products, industrial materials, building materials and the various other groupings for which indexes are published. And as an indicator of general business conditions it is usually included in the group which is regarded as approximately coincident with the business cycle. However, its main attribute now lies in its long historical continuity.

For further details about the General Wholesale Index please consult: Wholesale Price Indexes 1913-50 (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 payments 1966-67		Initial payments	
	indexes revised	August 1966 - July 1967	1966-67 included in index	1967-68 included in index
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<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	.97
No. 2 Feed	bushel	1.183	.84	.94

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 changes 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:

A complete description of the characteristics of the Industry Selling Price Indexes and methods of sample selection

Residential Building Materials					
Commodities Included Beginning February 1966					
<u>Items and Groups</u>					
Item <u>weight</u>	Group <u>weight</u>		Item <u>weight</u>		
Group <u>weight</u>			Group <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 1966
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	1.90
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 Canron Ltd., and Stanrock Uranium Mines Ltd. was introduced into the Uraniums index to replace Gunnar Mining Ltd., Lorado Uranium Mines Ltd., and Rayrocks Mines Ltd. In July Montreal Locomotive Works Ltd. changed its name to MLW - Worthington Ltd. and Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines Ltd. (see below) became Hollinger 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=100) - 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-Minot, 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 ($110.00/80.00 \times 100.0$).

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.

Special Retail Food Price Indexes for Selected Canadian Cities

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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.

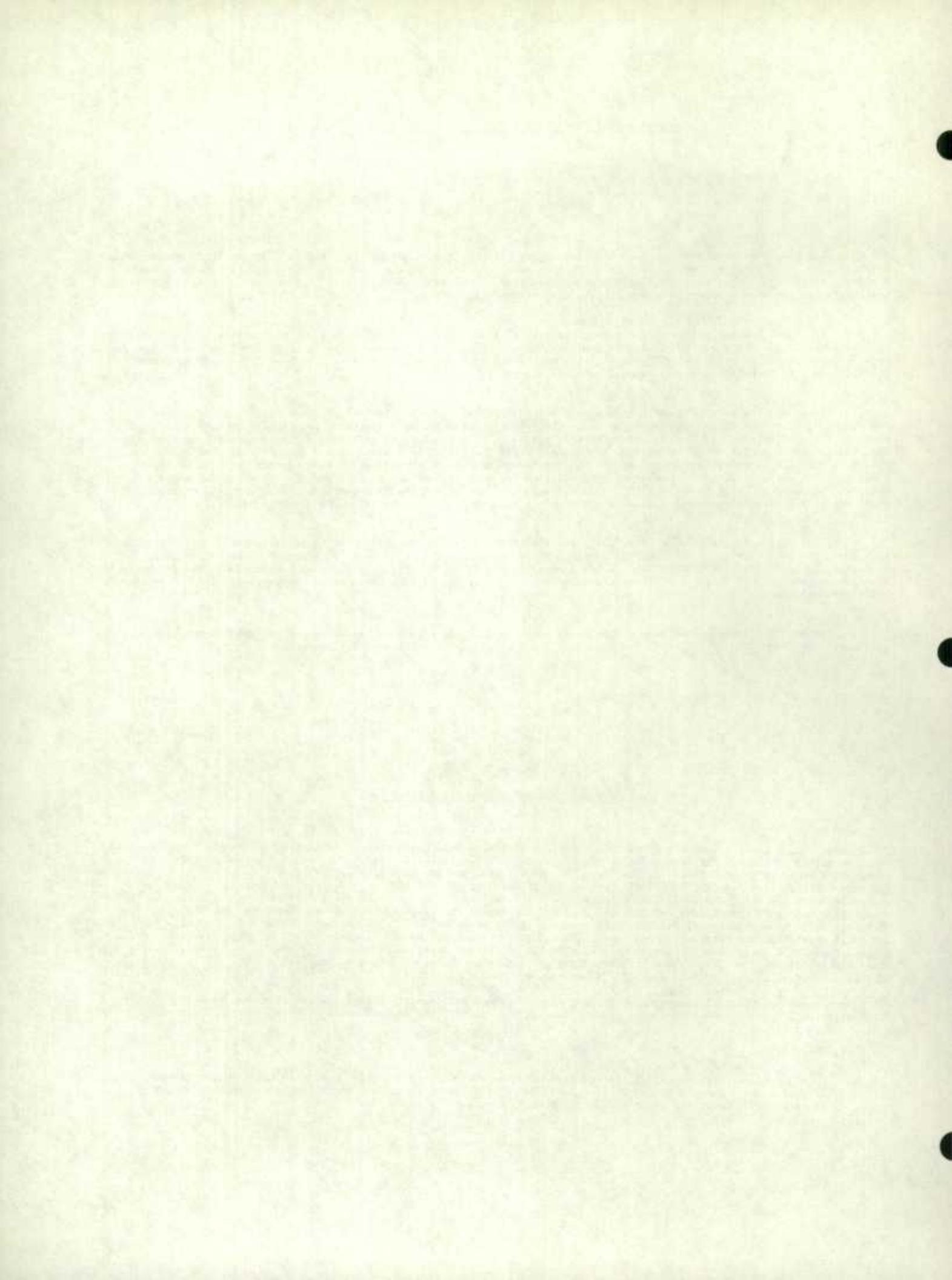
While these indexes have been expressed in terms of Winnipeg = 100, the selection of Winnipeg as the base city has no significance, and the indexes may be expressed on the base of any of the eleven cities included.

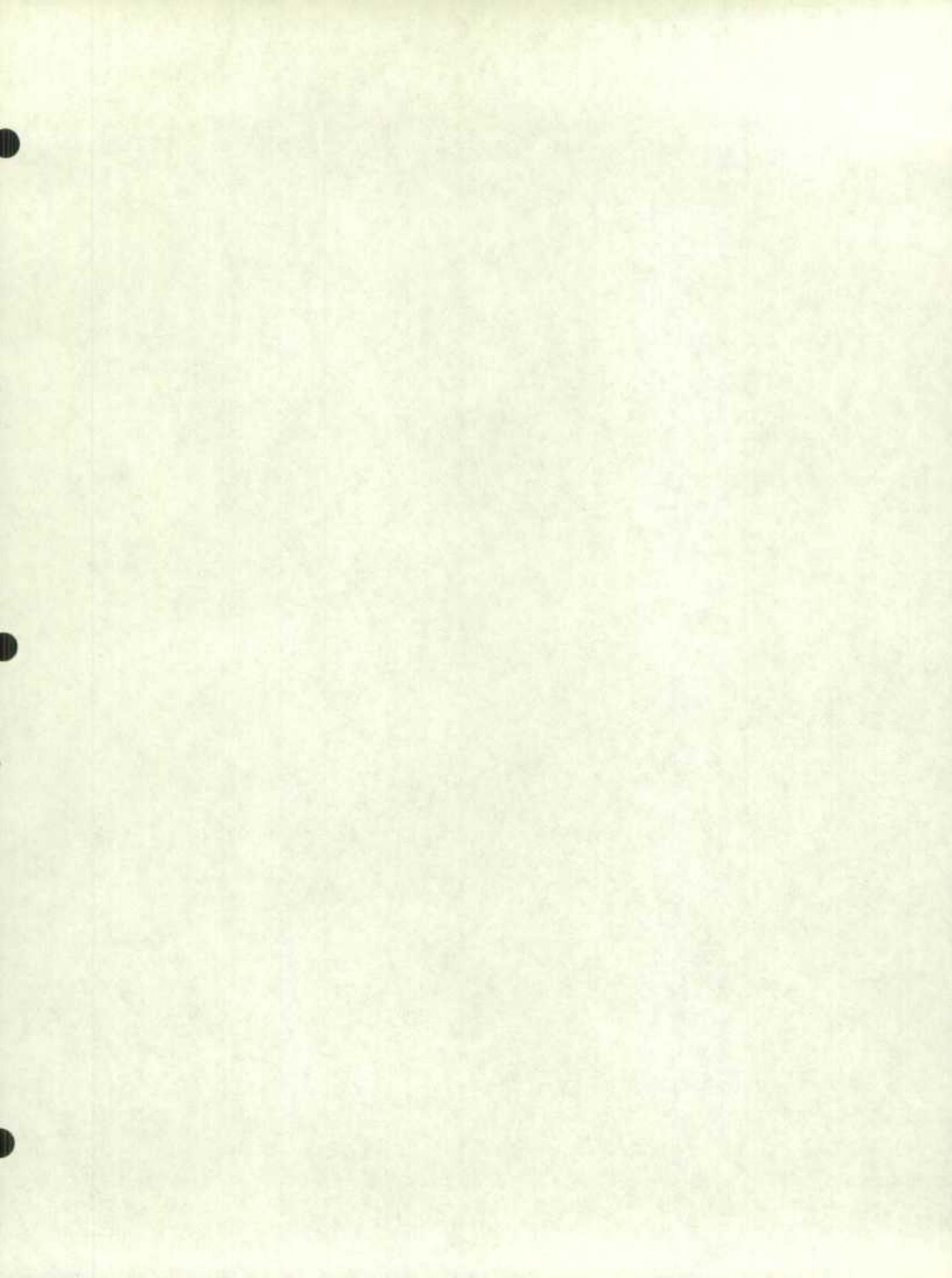
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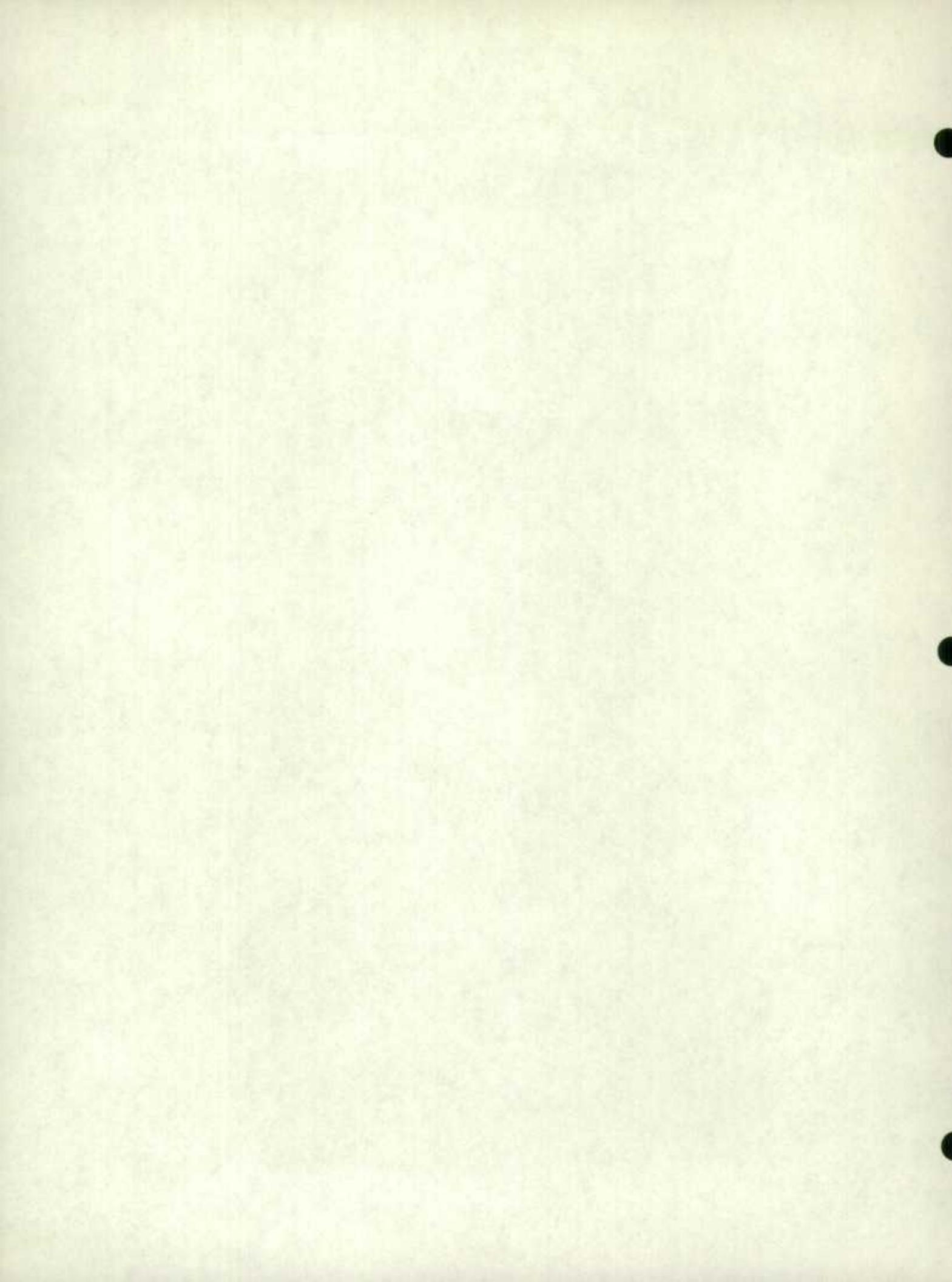
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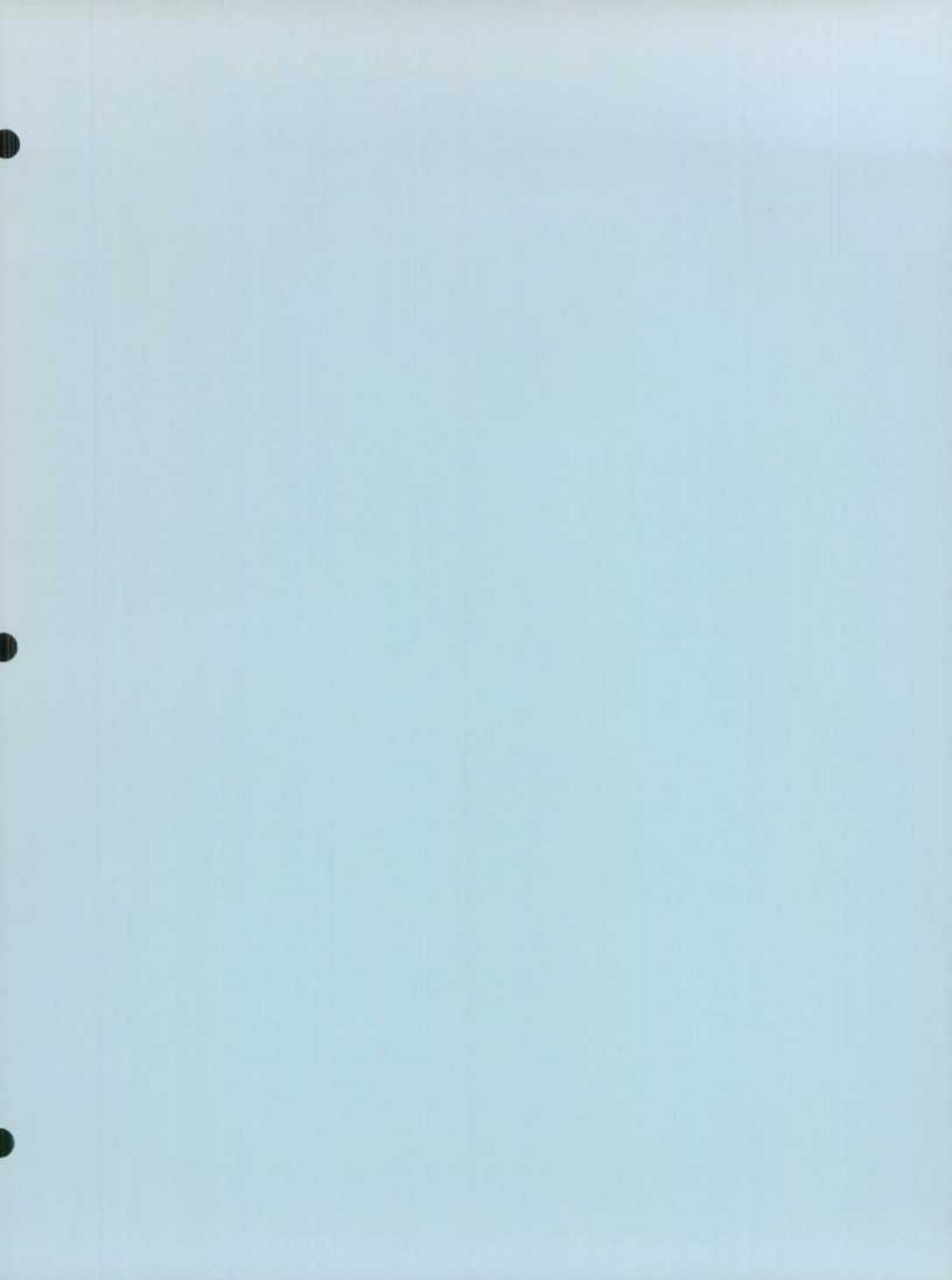
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