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## SLAUGHTERING AND MEAT PACKING INDUSTRY AND SELECTED COMMODITY INDEXES

 ANNUALLY 1957-1966; MONTHLY JANUARY 1967 - AUGUST 1968$1956=100$



## CLOTHING

MEN'S WEAR

WOMEN'S WEAR

CHILDREN'S WEAR

FOOTWEAR

PIECE GOODS

CLOTHING SERVICES
TRANSPORTATION

AUTOMOBILE OPERATION

AUTOMOBILE PURCHASE

GASOLINE

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

TRAVEL

HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE
HEALTH CARE

DOCTOR

DENTIST

OPTICAL CARE

PREPAID MEDICAL CARE

PHARMACEUTICALS

PERSONAL CARE

SUPPLIES
SERVICES

RECREATION AND READING
RECREATION

READING
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL
TOBACCO
ALCOHOL

ALL COMMODITIES

ALL SERVICES


In 34 manufacturing industries, Industry Selling Price Indexes were higher in August, 4 more than the 30 increases recorded in the June-July period. Industry indexes which moved down numbered 13 in August, 5 less than in July. Of the 102 industry indexes, 55 were unchanged whereas in the previous month 54 remained the same.

The average of the 102 industry indexes in August was 117.8 up slightly from the July average of 117.6. The median was unchanged at 117.4.

The following table sumarizes June - July price movements by major industry group:
July to August Changes in Industry Indexes

|  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Major industry group |

## (1) Not relevant.

## General Wholesale Index $(1935-39=100)$

The General Wholesale Index moved up 0.2 per cent in August to 269.7 from the July index of 269.2 , and was 1.9 per cent higher than the August 1967 index of 264.8 . Five of the eight major group indexes increased, two decreased, while the remaining one, Wood Products was unchanged at 365.3.

The Animal Products Group index rose 1.2 per cent in August to 299.9 from the July index of 296.2 on price increases for livestock, fresh and cured meats, and eggs. An advance of 0.5 per cent to 215.9 from 214.9 in the Chemical Products Group index reflected higher prices for soaps and deter gents. Increases of 0.2 per cent or less occurred in the following major group indexes: Textile Products to 256.5 from 256.1, Iron Products to 277.2 from 276.7 , and Non-metalif Minerals to 206.4 from 206.3.

The Non-ferrous Metal Products Group index moved down 0.6 per cent in August to 245.3 from the July index of 246.8 in response to lower prices for silver. The Vegetable Products Group index declined 0.2 per cent to 229.4 from 229.9 .

The July figures incorporate revisions due to the receipt of returns delayed by the postal strike at the time of the original publication of the July indexes and the preliminary release of the Augusit indexes.

The following table shows some of the more noteworthy changes:

## Percentage changes

Commodity group and sub-group
$\frac{\text { Aug. } 1968}{\text { July } 1968} \quad \frac{\text { Aug. } 1967}{\text { July } 1967} \quad \frac{\text { Aug. } 1968}{\text { Aug. } 1967}$

| Animal products group | $+1.2$ | $+0.5$ | $+1.9$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eggs | $+10.4$ | + 19.5 | + 5.1 |
| Meats, cured | + 4.5 | 0.9 | + 1.3 |
| Livestock | + 2.2 | + 0.6 | + 3.8 |
| Meats, fresh | + 2.1 | + 0.5 | + 4.1 |
| Fishery products | 2.2 | + 1.8 | + 0.6 |
| Chemical products group | $+0.5$ | $+1.0$ | $+0.6$ |
| Soaps and detergents | + 2.6 | + 5.1 | + 7.5 |
| Non-ferrous metals group | - 0.6 | $+1.8$ | $+2.2$ |
| Silver | - 5.6 | + 34.2 | $+24.6$ |
| Tin | 0.5 | 1.8 | 7.2 |

Thirty Industrial Materials Price Index (1935-39=100)
The price index of Thirty Industrial Materials, calculated as an unweighted geometric average, advanced 0.3 per cent to 254.2 in August from the July index of 253.4 . Prices were higher for seven comodities, lower for five and unchanged for eighteen. Principal changes included increases for hogs, fir timber, raw rubber, steers, raw cotton, raw wool and domestic wheat, while decreases occurred for steel scrap and oats.

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

The price index of Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets moved up 1.1 per cent to 265.0 in August from the July index of 262.0 . The Animal Products Index advanced 2.3 per cent to 340.8 from 333.1 on higher prices for eggs, hogs and steers on both Eastern and Western markets, for poultry in the East and raw wool in the West. Lower prices were shown for lambs and calves on both markets and for raw wool in the East. The Field Products Index declined 0.9 per cent to 189.2 from 191.0 reflecting lower prices for potatoes on both Eastern and Western markets, for hay, oats and barley in the East, and flax and rye in the West. Higher prices were shown for hay in the West.

The Consumer Price Index for Canada rose by 0.3 per cent to 156.0 at the beginning of August Erom 155.6 at the beginning of July. The August 1968 index was 3.4 per cent above the August 1967 level of 150.9. The latest monthly increase was mainly attributable to a 1.1 per cent advance in the Food index, while the remaining component indexes registered only fractional movements. The Housing and T: ansportation indexes both edged up by 0.1 per cent, whereas the Clothing component declined by 0.3 per cent, in response to several mid-summer sales. The indexes for health and personal care and for recreation and reading each rose by 0.2 per cent, while to Tobacco and Alcohol component remained unchanged from the previous month.

The Food index advanced by 1.1 per cent to 153.6 in August from 151.9 in July. Among staple items, bread prices increased by 2.6 per cent, and eggs also evidences a substantial price advance since the preceding month. On the other hand, fresh milk and sugar remained virtually unchanged in price, and butter declined marginally. Among meat items, pork products rose markedly in price, chicken and beef edged up slightly, while turkey was marginally lower. Produce prices declined slightly, as lower quotations for potatoes, cabbage, celery and tomatoes outweighed increases for apples and strawberries. The August 1968 Food index was 1.6 per cent higher than its level of August 1967.

The Housing index edged up by 0.1 per cent to 158.4 in August from 158.3 in the preceding month. Generally higher rents were recorded, with the largest increases occurring in Calgary, Toronto, Montreal and Winnipeg. Home-ownership costs remained virtually unchanged except for higher insurance premiums and fuel oil prices in a number of cities, and a substantial increase in Winnipeg electricity rates. Furniture and carpet prices declined as a result of mid-sumer sales, while supplies and services experienced little change from the preceding month. The Housing index was 4.1 per cent above its level of twelve months previous.

The Clothing index declined by 0.3 per cent to 135.7 in August from 136.1 in July. Sales on a number of items reduced prices for most men's and women's outerwear. Footwear and piece goods, by contrast, increased marginally. The Clothing index was 2.6 per cent above its level of August 1967.

The Transportation index declined by 0.1 per cent to 161.8 in August from 161.9 in July. Generally lower train fares and new automobile prices outweighed increases for gasoline and taxi fares in a number of cities. The Transportation index stood 2.4 per cent above its level of twelve months previous.

The Health and Personal Care index rose by 0.2 per cent to 199.1 in August from 198.8 in the peceding month. The rise was attributable to increased dentists' fees in Regina and Saskatoon, togethor with generally higher prices for pharmaceuticals and toiletries. The Health and Personal care index whis 3.8 per cent higher than a year earlier.

The Recreation and Reading index increased by 0.2 per cent to 175.2 in August from 174.8 in July. Increased admission for football games, together with higher prices for camera film and bicycles were responsible for the increase. The Recreation and Reading index was 4.3 per cent higher than its corresponding level twelve months earlier.

The Tobacco and Alcohol index remained unchanged at its July level of 141.1 and stood at a level 9.7 per cent higher than twelve months previous.

Security Price Indexes $(1956=100)$
Following its fall at the end of July, and only a moderate recovery afterwards, the Investors Index of common stock prices registered its first decrease in five months as it eased 0.6 per cent to 180.8 from 181.8 between July and August. Among the three major groups, Industrials fell 0.8 per cent to 187.9 and Utilities 1.0 per cent to 164.9 , while Finance rose 1.7 per cent to 167.3 , its highest since January 1962. Within Industrials, indexes for eight sub-groups decreased and five increased. Decreases ranged from 5.9 per cent for Textiles and clothing to 0.6 per cent for Retail trade. Industrial Mines was at its lowest for a year, dropping 1.7 per cent to 195.1 from 198.4 . Those sub-groups reaching all-time highs were Foods, Beverages and Petroleum. Non-metallic Minerals rose 2.5 per cent to a high for the year of 109.7 and Construction rose 6.2 per cent to its highest since March 1966. In Utilities, Pipelines and Transportation with fractional rises reached year highs of 181.2 and 197.9 respectively, while Electric Power and Gas Distribution both fell 1.7 per cent and Telephone was down 2.4 per cent. In Finance, Banks reached and all-time high of 175.2 and Investment and Loan rose 5.1 per cent to 151.3 from 144.0 to be at its highest for the year.

In the same period, the index of Mining stocks edged up 2.2 per cent as Base Metals rose 2.4 per cent, followed by Golds up 2.0 per cent.

Among the supplementary indexes, Uraniums dropped 4.7 per cent to 258.9 while Primary oils and D.: 0354.2 per cent to 218.2 .


|  | Indexes |  |  |  | Percentage changes |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | Aug. <br> 1967 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{\text { Aug. } 1968}{\text { July } 1968}$ | $\frac{\text { Aug. }}{} \frac{1967}{\text { July } 1967}$ | $\frac{\text { Aug. }}{} \frac{1968}{\text { Aug. }} 1967$ |
| Wholesale_price indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Industry selling price indexes <br> (1956-100) (See textual table page 6) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General wholesale index ( $1935-39=100$ ): (1) .. | 269.7 | 269.2 | 264.8 | 263.9 | $+0.2$ | $+0.3$ | +1.9 |
| Vegetable products | 229.4 | 229.9 | 231.2 | 231.2 | - 0.2 | - | - 0.8 |
| Animal products | 299.9 | 296.2 | 294.2 | 292.6 | $+1.2$ | $+0.5$ | + 1.9 |
| Textile products | 256.5 | 256.1 | 252.2 | 252.5 | $+0.2$ | -0.1 | + 1.7 |
| Wood products | 365.3 | 365.3 | 348.1 | 347.0 | - | $+0.3$ | + 4.9 |
| lron products .............................. | 277.2 | 276.7 | 275.4 | 275.8 | $+0.2$ | - 0.1 | + 1.0 |
| Non-ferrous metals | 245.3 | 246.8 | 240.0 | 235.7 | -0.6 | $+1.8$ | + 2.2 |
| Non-metallic minerals | 206.4 | 206.3 | 200.1 | 199.4 | (2) | $+0.4$ | + 3.1 |
| Chemical products | 215.9 | 214.9 | 214.6 | 212.5 | +0.5 | $+1.0$ | $+\quad 0.6$ |
| Canadian farm products (1935-39 100): (3) ...... | 265.0 | 262.0 | 260.4 | 266.8 | +1.1 | - 2.4 | (3) |
| Eastern total .................................... | 284.4 | 282.6 | 281.2 | 277.4 | $+0.6$ | $+1.4$ | + 1.1 |
| Western total | 245.6 | 241.5 | 239.5 | 256.2 | $+1.7$ | -6.5 | (3) |
| Field | 189.2 | 191.0 | 190.9 | 208.6 | - 0.9 | -8.5 | (3) |
| Animal | 340.8 | 333.1 | 329.8 | 325.0 | $+2.3$ | $+1.5$ | $+3.3$ |
| Selected price indexes: (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thirty industrial materials ( $1935-39=100$ ) | 254.2 | 253.4 | 252.1 | 253.0 | $+0.3$ | - 0.4 | $+0.8$ |
| Residential building materials ( $1949 \mathrm{ma0}$ ) . . | 168.5 | 166.9 | 160.1 | 159.4 | +1.0 | $+0.4$ | + 5.2 |
| Non-residential building materials ( $1949=100$ ) | 157.8 | 157.6 | 154.2 | 154.1 | $+0.1$ | $+0.1$ | + 2.3 |
| Consumer price indexes ( $1949=100)$; |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All-1 tems index ............................ . | 156.0 | 155.6 | 150.9 | 150.2 | $+0.3$ | + 0.5 | + 3.4 |
| Food ......... | 153.6 | 151.9 | 151.2 | 148.5 | + 1.1 | + 0.5 | + 1.6 |
| Housing | 158.4 | 158.3 | 152.2 | 151.9 | $+0.1$ | + 1.8 | + 4.1 |
| Clothing | 135.7 | 136.1 | 132.3 | 132.5 | - 0.3 | - 0.2 | + 2.6 |
| Transportation | 161.8 | 161.9 | 158.0 | 158.3 | -0.1 | - 0.2 |  |
| falth and personal care ........................ | 199.1 | 198.8 | 191.9 | 191.5 | $+0.2$ | +0.2 | + 3.8 |
| tecreation and reading . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 175.2 | 174.8 | 167.9 | 167.8 | $+0.2$ | $+0.1$ | + 4.3 |
| Tobacco and alcohol ........................ | 141.1 | 141.1 | 128.6 | 128.1 | - | $+0.4$ | + 9.7 |
| Socurity price, indexes (1956-100): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total investors index ........................... | 180.8 | 181.8 | 180.8 | 177.5 | - 0.6 | $+1.9$ | - |
| Total industrials | 187.9 | 189.4 | 189.3 | 185.2 | - 0.8 | $+2.2$ | $-0.7$ |
| Industrial mines | 195.1 | 198.4 | 201.6 | 198.2 | - 1.7 | $+1.7$ | - 3.2 |
| Foods | 230.8 | 225.3 | 215.7 | 210.8 | + 2.4 | +2.3 | + 7.0 |
| Beverages ......... | 277.8 | 277.4 | 248.8 | 238.6 | $+0.1$ | +4.3 | + 11.7 |
| Textiles and clothing | 152.5 | 162.1 | 223.8 | 217.7 | - 5.9 | +2.8 | - 31.9 |
| Pulp and paper | 107.3 | 112.0 | 131.8 | 133.5 | - 4.2 | -1.3 | - 18.6 |
| Printing and publishing .................. | 675.6 | 689.5 | 728.2 | 694.1 | - 2.0 | +4.9 | - 7.2 |
| Primary metals | 91.2 | 93.7 | 110.9 | 108.4 | - 2.7 | +2.3 | - 17.8 |
| Metal fabricating . ........................ | 123.9 | 130.3 | 120.0 | 119.1 | -4.9 | + 0.8 | + 3.2 |
| Non-metallic minerals ................... | 109.7 | 107.0 | 123.4 | 124.4 | +2.5 | -0.8 | - 11.1 |
| Petroleum .................................. | 183.4 | 176.1 | 164.1 | 162.1 | $+4.1$ | $+1.2$ | $+11.8$ |
| Chemicals | 112.8 | 116.5 | 123.0 | 124.8 | - 3.2 | -1.4 | -8.3 |
| Construction | 88.0 | 82.9 | 64.6 | 64.5 | $+6.2$ | $+0.2$ | +36.2 |
| Retail trade ................................. | 306.9 | 308.6 | 256.5 | 248.2 | - 0.6 | $+3.3$ | + 19.6 |
| Total utilities | 164.9 | 166.5 | 175.7 | 175.2 | - 1.0 | +0.3 | $-6.1$ |
| Pipeline | 181.2 | 179.8 | 197.8 | 201.7 | +0.8 | -1.9 | - 8.4 |
| Transportation ............................ | 197.9 | 197.1 | 223.5 | 227.2 | $+0.4$ | - 1.6 | - 11.5 |
| Telephone | 104.2 | 106.8 | 115.3 | 116.4 | - 2.4 | -0.9 | - 9.6 |
| Electric power ............................ | 126.1 | 128.3 | 139.8 | 138.0 | - 1.7 | $+1.3$ | - 9.8 |
| Gas distribution .......................... | 407.0 | 414.0 | 375.1 | 355.8 | - 1.7 | $+5.4$ | + 8. 5 |
| Total finance | 167.3 | 164.5 | 146.2 | 142.6 | +1.7 | + 2.5 | $+14.4$ |
| Banks . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 175.2 | 174.8 | 146.9 | 142.8 | $+0.2$ | +2.9 | $+19.3$ |
| Investment and loan ....................... | 151.3 | 144.0 | 144.4 | 141.6 | + 5.1 | $+2.0$ | + 4.8 |
| Mining stocks: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General index .................................. | 107.7 | 105.4 | 103.9 | 100.0 | $+2.2$ | +3.9 | + 3.7 |
| Golds | 154.5 | 151.5 | 135. 1 | 128.2 | $+2.0$ | $+5.4$ | $+14.4$ |
| Base metals .............................. | 82.0 | B0. 1 | 86.7 | 84.5 | $+2.4$ | +2.6 | - 5.4 |
| Supplementary indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Uraniums ........................................ | 258.9 | 271.8 | 255.4 | 261.5 | -4.7 | - 2.3 | $+1.4$ |
| Prdmary oils and gas .......................... | 218.2 | 209.4 | 205.9 | 190.8 | +4.2 | + 7.9 | + 6.0 |

[^0]TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities
(1956=100)

| Industries and selected commodities | Montins |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968(1) \end{aligned}$ | August $1967$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |

Foods and beverages industries:

| Slaughtering and meat packing industry ..... | 135.4 | 132.0 | 131.0 | 131.5 | 130.6 | 136.5 | 120.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bacon and sides | 121.8 | 116.0 | 121.1 | 121.6 | 119.9 | 144.7 | 132.4 |
| Beef, fresh or frozen | 155.7 | 153.2 | 153.5 | 151.9 | 148.7 | 137.7 | 120.3 |
| Hams, cured | 128.0 | 119.1 | 115.9 | 116.4 | 117.4 | 131.6 | 116.0 |
| Lard. | 92.2 | 91.6 | 101.7 | 103.4 | 110.0 | 133.4 | 123.1 |
| Margarine | 94.5 | 94.5 | 95.7 | 95.7 | 96.2 | 99.2 | 97.5 |
| Mutton and lamb, fresh or frozen | 138.9 | 157.1 | 143.9 | 155.1 | 134.8 | 133.8 | 126.8 |
| Pork, fresh or frozen | 135.5 | 126.8 | 117.0 | 118.0 | 119.1 | 134.0 | 121.2 |
| Poulcry, fresh or frozen | 80.9 | 80.3 | 80.9 | 82.0 | 81.9 | 90.2 | 78.7 |
| Sausage, fresh ......... | 127.9 | 126.6 | 131.5 | 131.3 | 130.2 | 145.3 | 129.1 |
| Veal, fresh or frozen | 158.3 | 162.8 | 161.4 | 162.5 | 162.8 | 150.1 | 126.9 |
| Wieners and bologna | 147.5 | 145.6 | 150.8 | 152.5 | 149.5 | 154.5 | 136.2 |
| Butter and cheese factories industry | 128.3 | 128.1 | 125.3 | 125.3 | 124.0 | 117.0 | 108.4 |
|  | 110.8 | 110.8 | 110.9 | 110.9 | 110.1 | $103.2$ | 94.5 |
| Mill. whote, favzi . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $154.1$ | $154.1$ | 4.45 | 245.5 | 143.8 | $135.2$ | 124.9 |
| Conceutrates milk preducts bnenscy | 131.2 | 135.2 | 132.8 | 132.8 | 130.9 | 122.6 | 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 | 158.7 | 154.2 | 135.3 | 118.8 |
| Cheese, processed, industry | 132.7 | 128.4 | 129.7 | 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 | 166.7 | 164.9 | 161.9 | 159.5 | 160.6 | 156.2 | 148.2 |
| Cod, fillets, frozen | 153.2 | 154.7 | 149.8 | 149.8 | 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. | 120.5 | 119.5 | 118.5 | 118.3 | 117.4 | 115.1 | 111.9 |
| Jams | 117.7 | 122.4 | 122.4 | 122.4 | 116.8 | 116.0 | 118.8 |
| Corn, creamed, whole graill, canned | 133.6 | 138.6 | 126.8 | 126.8 | 126.7 | 121.0 | 118.9 |
| Peaches, canned. | 152.0 | 152.0 | 139.5 | 139.5 | 141.7 | 138.0 | 126.5 |
| Peas, canned. | 130.1 | 133.9 | 122.6 | 120.9 | 121.7 | 112.3 | 109.3 |
| Soups, canned | 106.4 | 104.0 | 102.3 | 104.0 | 103.7 | 101.6 | 98.3 |
| Tomato juice, canned ................... | 125.6 | 121.3 | 130.1 | 125.5 | 125.0 | 123.0 | 121.1 |
| Feed mills industry .......................... | 114.9 | 115.0 | 116.5 | 117.4 | 117.0 | 117.3 | 112.8 |
| Feeds, dairy and cattle | 110.4 | 110.0 | 112.9 | 114.5 | 113.8 | 112.0 | 107. 7 |
| Feeds, poultry, laying and hatching ..... | 115.4 | 115.2 | 118.2 | 118.5 | 118.4 | 119.7 | 115.6 |

(1) See footnote following Table 2.

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

| Industries and selected commodities | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August 1968 | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1968(1) \end{gathered}$ | August $1967$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |

Foods and beverages industries - Concluded:

$\overline{(1)}$ See footnote following Table 2.

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

|  | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industries and selected commodities | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |

Tobacco and tobacco products industries:

| Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes industry | 119.6 | 119.6 | 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 | 119.9 | 119.9 | 119.9 | 118.9 | 108.9 | 105.4 |

Rubber products industries:

| Rubber goods, including footwear, industry | 100.3 | 100.0 | 99.4 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 96.6 | 94.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tires, balloon, bus and truck | 95.0 | 94.7 | 95.9 | 95.9 | 95.7 | 93.0 | 88.8 |
| Tires, balloon, passenger cars, standard | 94.3 | 93.7 | 94.2 | 93.3 | 93.6 | 91.0 | 89.4 |
| Hose, fire, garden, etc. | 119.1 | 119.1 | 116.5 | 114.8 | 114.3 | 109.5 | 103.2 |

Leather products industries:

| Footwear, leather industry | 129.5 | 129.5 | 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 | 130.3 | 129.2 | 132.0 | 132.0 | 132.3 | 127.0 | 112.3 |
| Gloves and mittens, dress, men's lined | 118.8 | 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 | 132.6 | 131.2 | 131.7 | 132.7 | 132.2 | 145.6 | 123.0 |
| Upper leather, cattle hides | 132.8 | 130.6 | 128.5 | 130.3 | 128.4 | 142.7 | 120.4 |
| Upper leather, chrome splits | 118.6 | 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 | 124.8 | 127.0 | 147.9 | $130 \cdot 3$ |
| 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 | 105.4 | 103.0 | 103.9 | 104.1 | 101.6 | 100.1 |
| Cotton fabrics, grey | 111.5 | 111.5 | 108.1 | 109.0 | 109.8 | 107.2 | 105.2 |
| Yarn, spun cotton, grey, knitting | 101.3 | 101.0 | 102.4 | 102.4 | 102.2 | 101.3 | 99.4 |
| Woollen cloth industry ...................... | 125.8 | 125.8 | 123.9 | 124.1 | 123.8 | 120.9 | 120.2 |
| Woven fabrics, all wool, worsted | 109.7 | 109.7 | 108.8 | 109.3 | 108.6 | 107.8 | 106.0 |

TABLF 2 . Industry Selling Priee Indexes, by Industry and Selected Comodities - Continued
(1956=100)

|  | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industries and selected commodities | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1968(1) \end{gathered}$ | August 1967 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 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 | 97.1 | 97.0 | 96.3 | 96.3 | 96.4 | 96.8 | 98.4 |
| Carpets, mats and rugs industry | 94.8 | 94.8 | 97.2 | 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 | 89.5 | 89.6 | 89.5 | 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 |
| f-3s, cotton and jute, industry | 120.4 | 118.6 | 123.1 | 123.1 | 123.5 | 129.1 | 119.5 |
| Bags, cotton | 109.0 | 109.0 | 109.0 | 109.0 | 109.0 | 111.0 | 108.6 |
| Bags, jute | 130.5 | 127.2 | 135.8 | 135.8 | 136.5 | 145.2 | 129.3 |
| Oilcloth, linoleum and other coated fabrics industry | 116.5 | 116.5 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 114.3 | 113.3 | 112.5 |

Clothing and knitting mills industries:

Clothing, men's factory, industry ........... 129.
Jackets, separate, civilian
Shirts, cotton, fine...........................................................................

Pyjamas ........................................... 117.

Hosiery industry
88.5

Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, fine ............................. 94.1
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's,
seamless, work $\qquad$

Other knitted goods industry ................. 89.9
Knitted goods, infants', all kinds .......
112.1。
113.8

129.2 122.5 122.5
$163.7 \quad 152.1 \quad 152.1$
$109.8 \quad 108.3 \quad 108.3$
$115.2109 .3 \quad 109.3$
$117.0109 .8 \quad 111.8$
88.5
94.1
113.8
89.9
112.1
88.788 .7
112.8112 .8
87.787 .7
$88.6 \quad 86.0 \quad 85.8$
$88.6 \quad 86.0 \quad 85.8$
$88.6 \quad 86.0 \quad 85.8$
$\begin{array}{lllll}94.1 & 94.1 & 93.3 & 88.6 & 88.6\end{array}$
$122.5 \quad 117.6 \quad 113.8$
$152.6 \quad 143.4 \quad 130.2$
$108.3 \quad 106.7 \quad 103.1$
$109.5 \quad 103.7 \quad 102.4$
$110.1 \quad 107.6 \quad 108.0$
$112.5 \quad 109.6 \quad 107.4$
$87.6 \quad 85.2 \quad 85.0$
$\begin{array}{lllll}112.1 & 112.1 & 112.1 & 112.1 & 109.5\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}117.2 & 117.2 & 117.2 & 111.2 & 106.9\end{array}$
(1) See footnote following Table 2.

Figures not availillin.
(1956=100)

|  | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industries and selected commodities | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968(1) \end{aligned}$ | August $1967$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |

Clothing and knitting mills industries
Concluded:


Wood products industries:

| Veneers and plywoods industry . | 105.2 | 104.2 | 98.4 | 97.8 | 98.0 | 95.4 | 93.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Veneer, yellow birch | 94.7 | 94.8 | 96.3 | 96.3 | 96.3 | 93.2 | 90.2 |
| Plywood, Douglas fir | 111.2 | 109.3 | 98.6 | 97.5 | 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 | 130.2 | 129.7 | 122.7 | 122.7 | 122.3 | 215.8 | 107.7 |
| Sash and doors | 148.6 | 148.6 | 140.1 | 140.1 | 140.2 | 133.3 | 126.6 |
| Lumber, matched | 142.4 | 141.4 | 132.9 | 132.9 | 131.2 | 123.7 | 115.8 |
| Lumber, planed | 111.1 | 110.4 | 105.3 | 105.3 | 104.8 | 98.7 | 90.2 |
| Mouldings | 157.1 | 157.1 | 144.9 | 144.9 | 145.4 | 139.0 | 124.2 |
| Flooring, hardwood, industry | 124.1 | 124.1 | 122.9 | 120.2 | 119.4 | 111.4 | 100.8 |
| Flooring, birch | 130.1 | 130.1 | 128.6 | 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. | 126.4 | 126.3 | 109.9 | 109.2 | 110.1 | 107.0 | 103.0 |
| Pine, white | 113.9 | 114.1 | 112.6 | 113.2 | 113.2 | 111.2 | 107.8 |
| Pine, jack and lodge-pole | 114.4 | 109.2 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 103.1 | 96.3 | 90.3 |
| Birch, yellow | 120.4 | 120.4 | 117.7 | 117.9 | 117.9 | 115.7 | 110.3 |
| Maple, hard | 119.3 | 119.4 | 117.7 | 117.8 | 116.9 | 107.2 | 97.5 |
| Cedar | 165.0 | 166.3 | 140.0 | 138.4 | 141.3 | 135.7 | 129.2 |
| Spruce.. | 112.9 | 111.4 | 99.3 | 98.9 | 99.8 | 98.2 | 94.9 |
| Spruce, B.C. interior | 108.9 | 109.1 | 90.8 | 90.0 | 92.1 | 91.5 | 89.? |
| Spruce, East of Rockies | 116.9 | 113.8 | 107.9 | 108.0 | 107.7 | 104.8 | 100.6 |
| Hemlock, B.C. coast | 129.9 | 129.4 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 109.5 | 104.8 | 99.6 |
| Fir, Douglas | 136.8 | 137.5 | 111.3 | 109.3 | 111.4 | 108.8 | 106.1 |
| Fir, Douglas, B.C. interior ............. |  |  | . |  |  | 112.5 | 110.8 |
| Fir, Douglas, B.C. coast | 126.6 | 126.4 | 204.7 | 104.9 | 105.4 | 106.2 | 102.8 |
| Shingle mills industry | 165.8 | 162.1 | 123.7 | 118.5 | 118.1 | 115.9 | 122.8 |
| Furniture industry | 118.5 | 217.9 | 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 | 128.0 | 126.2 | 121.8 | 221.8 | 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 | 128.1 | 125.3 | 122.5 | 122.5 | 122.1 | 120.2 | 114.1 |
| Mattresses, spring filled............ | 102.4 | 102.4 | 99.1 | 99.1 | 99.1 | 96.7 | 96.6 |
| Boxes and baskets, wood, industry | 143.1 | 141.7 | 134.4 | 133.7 | 133.2 | 124.1 | 119.9 |

[^1]IABLF 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Commodities Continued
(1956=100)

| Industries | and selected commodities | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968(1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |

Paper products industries:

| Boxes and bags, paper, industry | 117.4 | 117.0 | 115.0 | 115.0 | 114.8 | 110.8 | 106.6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boxes, folding | 117.8 | 117.6 | 116.0 | 116.0 | 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 | 102.3 | 103.2 | 103.4 | 103.2 | 102.6 | 102.7 |
| Sulphite, bleached, paper grade, domestic market | 92.8 | 92.9 | 93.9 | 93.9 | 93.8 | 94.0 | 94.0 |
| Groundwood pulp, export market | 106.2 | 104.4 | 104.8 | 104.9 | 105.1 | 105.0 | 100.6 |
| Sulphate, bleached, export market | 103.1 | 103.3 | 105.9 | 106.2 | 105.9 | 104.5 | 106.3 |
| Paper mills industry | 113.1 | 113.3 | 113.7 | 113.8 | 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 | 128.0 | 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 | 100.8 | 100.7 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.2 | 98.3 | 98.1 |
| Paper, newsprint, white, in rolls | 113.1 | 113.3 | 114.0 | 114.2 | 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 | 90.6 | 83.7 | 83.7 | 82.4 | 78.6 | 81.6 |
| Roll roofing, smooth surfaced | 98.5 | 98.5 | 89.5 | 89.5 | 87.8 | 81.0 | 81.1 |
| Roll roofing, felt, mineral surfaced | 94.5 | 94.5 | 85.5 | 85.5 | 83.9 | 76.5 | 75.9 |
| Felts, tar and asphalt saturated .......... Shingles, felt, asphalt saturated, rag and | 80.2 | 80.2 | 75.8 | 75.8 | 75.2 | 69.5 | 72.8 |
| asbestos $\qquad$ | 81.0 | 81.0 | 71.0 | 71.0 | 69.5 | 64.5 | 64.0 |
| Miscellaneous paper goods industry ......... | 117.6 | 117.4 | 113.7 | 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 | 117.3 | 117.0 | 109.9 | 109.8 | 111.6 | 106.5 | 103.8 |
| Paper, waxed, including bread wrappers | 115.5 | 115.9 | 110.8 | 110.8 | 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 | 127.7 | 127.4 | 123.4 | 123.3 | 123.5 | 121.5 | 117.4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Drills, grain and fertilizer, combination Harrow-ploughs, one-way discs, tiller | 140.8 | 139.7 | 134.5 | 134.5 | 135.1 | 132.2 | 128.4 |
| 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 |
| Swathers or windrowers | 119.3 | 119.0 | 120.9 | 120.9 | 121.0 | 122.7 | 119.0 |

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

| Industries and selected commodities | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |
| Iron and steel products industriesConcluded: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hardware, tools and cutlery industry | 132.7 | 132.4 | 128.6 | 128.6 | 129.1 | 124.7 | 120.2 |
| Heating and cooking apparatus industry | 96.3 | 96.3 | 94.3 | 93.6 | 93.7 | 92.2 | 93.5 |
| Furnaces, oil, gravity or forced air circulation $\qquad$ | 90.4 | 90.4 | 93.6 | 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 $101.5101 .5 \quad 101.4 \quad 100.1 \quad 99.9$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Castings, iron, industry | 118.8 | 118.7 | 118.2 | 118.3 | 117.5 | 113.8 | 110.6 |
| Soll pipe and fittings, cast iron | 119.6 | 119.6 | 116.9 | 117.8 | 117.6 | 112.8 | 108.2 |
| Pipe fittings, malleable iron, all kin | 129.1 | 129.1 | 126.7 | 126.7 | 130.6 | 133.7 | 126.4 |
| Castings, grey iron, conmercial | 126.8 | 126.9 | 124.3 | 124.4 | 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 | 112.4 | 112.3 | 111.9 | 111.9 | 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 | 119.7 | 119.0 | 116.2 | 116.2 | 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 ind | 135.3 | 135.3 | 139.0 | 139.0 | 137.6 | 132.8 | 130.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Motor vehicles industry | 120.7 | 120.7 | 117.7 | 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 | 116.5 | 115.8 | 116.5 | 116.6 | 116.0 |
| Trucks, 5,001-10,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight .......................................... | 119.7 | 119.7 | 117.5 | 116.5 | 117.1 | 117.9 | 117.9 |

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| Industries and selected commodities | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August $1968$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1968(1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |
| Transportation equipment industries Concluded: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Motor vehicles parts industry | 115.6 | 115.6 | 113.1 | 113.3 | 113.5 | 110.6 | 110.2 |
| Non-ferrous metal products industries: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aluminum products industry | 113.7 | 114.3 | 112.8 | 112.8 | 112.8 | 111.7 | 110.6 |
| Sheets | 112.7 | 113.0 | 112.0 | 112.0 | 112.3 | 115.1 | 115.8 |
| Utensils, cooking | 155.5 | 155.6 | 150.4 | 150.4 | 149.7 | 142.7 | 135.4 |
| Brass and copper products industry | 120.0 | 119.9 | 120.4 | 120.0 | 120.7 | 115.7 | 100.8 |
| Ingots, brass and bronze | 131.7 | 131.5 | 129.2 | 129.2 | 133.8 | 138.6 | 116.9 |
| and lavatory . ............................ | 144.9 | 144.9 | 133.1 | 133.1 | 133.1 | 131.6 | 118.8 |
| Jewellery and silverware industry | 189.8 | 193.0 | 165.8 | 162.8 | 157.6 | 138.6 | 133.2 |
| Gnld alloys | 131.3 | 131.5 | 119.3 | 119.4 | 116.8 | 112.4 | 111.6 |
| Flatware and cutlery, silver-plated | 146.0 | 146.0 | 128.6 | 123.4 | 125.2 | 114.2 | 107.3 |
| Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| industry .................................... | 121.6 | 122.1 | 118.1 | 118.2 | 119.2 | 114.9 | 112.9 |
| White metal alloys industry | 116.5 | 116.5 | 115.4 | 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 | 131.6 | 130.8 | 134.5 | 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
115.2115 .0
$115.4 \quad 115.4 \quad 114.5 \quad 107.7 \quad 104.8$
Batteries, storage, automotive ............

| 100.8 | 100.6 | 98.8 | 98.7 | 98.0 | 93.6 | 89.9 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 118.3 | 118.3 | 118.6 | 118.6 | 117.7 | 111.4 | 110.0 |
| 168.0 | 168.0 | 168.5 | 168.5 | 166.4 | 150.6 | 146.9 |
| 91.2 | 91.1 | 95.3 | 95.0 | 95.4 | 93.8 | 91.2 |
| 96.2 | 96.9 | 103.7 | 102.6 | 102.8 | 101.2 | 96.2 |
| 88.6 | 88.6 | 90.2 | 90.2 | 89.9 | 88.4 | 89.0 |
| 116.3 | 116.3 | 119.5 | 119.5 | 118.6 | 116.4 | 116.5 |
| 86.1 | 86.1 | 93.9 | 92.8 | 94.1 | 91.1 | 87.1 |

Radio and television sets and parts
industry $\qquad$
Television sets, table model, including portable $18^{\prime \prime}$ to $23^{\prime \prime} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. Welevision sets, console model, $18^{\prime \prime}$ to $23^{\prime \prime}$

| 80.4 | 80.4 | 81.8 | 81.8 | 81.8 | 80.2 | 81.1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

(i) See footnote following Table 2.
(2) 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.

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$(1956=100)$

|  | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industries and selected comodities | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968(1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |


| Electrical apparatus and supplies industries Concluded: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and <br>  | 78.9 | 79.0 | 78.5 | 78.4 | 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 | 88.2 | 88.7 | 89.2 | 88.7 | 87.3 |
| Washing machines, electric, domestic, automatic type | 95.0 | 95.0 | 94.7 | 94.8 | 95.0 | 93.9 | 93.1 |
| Refrigerators, household .................. | 71.3 | 71.3 | 70.8 | 70.8 | 70.6 | 69.1 | 70.5 |
| Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| supplies industry ................. | 113.1 | 113.1 | 110.2 | 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, fluoresicent, commereial | 106.4 | 100.4 | 106.2 | iUb. 2 | 155.9 | 99.5 | 101.2 |
| Wires End uatles industry | 1060.4 | 105.2 | 117.3 | 11. 5 | 117.8 | 113.9 | 99.7 |
| Conductors, un-insulated: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Copper, copperweld, including trolley wires ................................... | 115.3 | 115.3 | 120.1 | 120.1 | 120.3 | 111.4 | 101.7 |
| Conductors, insulated: <br> Weatherproof wires, all types | 107.3 | 107.3 | 116.4 | 116.4 | 116.2 | 108.4 | 98.0 |
| Rubber-insulated and braided | 98.5 | 98.5 | 125.5 | 125.5 | 125.8 | 119.2 | 87.6 |
| Magnet wires, enamelled.. | 110.6 | 110.6 | 118.5 | 118.5 | 118.6 | 113.7 | 101.4 |

Non-metallic mineral products industries:

| Abrasives, artificial, industry | 122.6 | 122.8 | 122.7 | 122.9 | 123.0 | 119.4 | 115.9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alumina, fused, crude | 118.1 | 118.3 | 120.3 | 120.6 | 120.5 | 117.3 | 113.2 |
| Silicon carbide, crude | 117.7 | 117.9 | 117.2 | 117.6 | 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 | 107.3 |

[^2]TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Comodities - Continued
(1956=100)

| Industries | and selected commodities | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968(1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |



Products of petroleum and coal industries:

| Coke and gas products industry | 117.4 | 117.4 | 117.7 | 117.7 | 116.6 | 113.3 | 112.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Petroleum refining and products industry. | 96.2 | 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 oll, light | 106.7 | 106.7 | 101.2 | 101.2 | 100.8 | 98.3 | 98.3 |
| Fuel ofl, 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 | 126.7 | 124.8 | 120.9 | 118.2 |

Chemicals and allied products industries:


[^3]TABLE 2. Industry Selling Price Indexes, by Industry and Selected Comroditieb - Conelwded

$$
(1956=10 \%
$$

|  | Months |  |  |  | Annual averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industries and selected commodities | $\begin{gathered} \text { Augus t } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968(1) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Augus t } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |



Miscellaneous manufacturing industries:

(1) This issue incorporates changes to July data due to the fact that indexes previously published for July were based on fewer than normal returns from data suppliers as a result of the postal strike.

1ABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators (1935-39=100)
Cieneral Wholesale Index and Principal Components

|  | Date | General wholesale index | Vegtable products | Animal products | Textile products | Wood products | Iron products | ```Non- ferrous metals pro- ducts(1)``` | Nonmetallic 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 |
|  | Tuly | 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 - J | 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 | $296.2^{5}$ | 256.1 | $365.3{ }^{\text {r }}$ | 276.7 | $246.8^{\text {r }}$ | 206.3 | $214.9{ }^{5}$ |
|  | Aug. | 269.7 | 229.4 | 299.9 | 256.5 | 365.3 | 277.2 | 245.3 | 206.4 | 215.9 |

TABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators (1935-39=100) - Continued
Special Groupings of Components of General Wholesale Index


[^4]IABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators - Concluded

| Date |  | Industrial materials | Building materials(4) |  | Canadian farm products(2) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Residential (1) | Nonresidential | 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 |
|  |  | 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 |
|  | Sapt. | 258.8 | 157.0 | 151.9 | 203.0 | 321.2 | 262.1 |
|  |  | 256.2 | 156.8 | 151.9 | 205.0 | 323.7 | 264.3 |
|  | Acov. | 255.6 | 156.8 | 151.7 | 205.4 | 321.9 | 263.7 |
|  | De. . | 254.7 | 156.9 | 151.4 | 206.2 | 325.5 | 265.9 |
| 1957 | Je: | 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 |  |  | $189.6$ |  |  |
|  | 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. | 254.2 | 168.5 | 157.8 | 189.2 | 340.8 | 265.0 |
|  | Sept. Oct. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Nov. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

(1) Converted from the base $1935-39=100$. See Table 6. (2) Final to July 1967. See page 40 for details DE 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 pase 41.

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

| Primary commodities | Months |  |  |  | Anmal averages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |
| Asbestos, crude | 379.6 | 379.6 | 371.6 | 371.6 | 368.4 | 355.1 | 355.1 |
| Beans, cocoa | 693.2 | $693.2^{\text {r }}$ | 638.9 | 626.4 | 6.64 .3 | 585.8 | 415.0 |
| Beans, coffee | 285.7 | 285.2 | 291.9 | 298.7 | 299.2 | 328.1 | 342.4 |
| Coal | 208.3 | 208.3 | 204.0 | 201.8 | 204.7 | 201.8 | 200.9 |
| Copper, electrolytic | 419.5 | 419.5 | 440.5 | 440.5 | 441.7 | 419.5 | 351.6 |
| Cotton, raw | 303.7 | 301.8 | 275.2 | 270.6 | 280.6 | 273.7 | 286.7 |
| Eggs | 148.7 | 134.7 | 141.5 | 118.4 | 139.2 | 175.5 | 146.1 |
| Fruits, fresh | 278.7 | 279.1 | 204.4 | 178.3 | 201.8 | 206.5 | 211.0 |
| Grains | 211.1 | 210.9r | 221.1 | 222.1 | 220.1 | 221.1 | 208.1 |
| Hides and skins | 149.9 | 149.9 | 130.8 | 150.2 | 160.6 | 206.3 | 159.1 |
| Lead, electrolytic | 272.5 | 272.5 | 293.5 | 293.5 | 293.5 | 312.7 | 324.9 |
| Livestock | 370.5 | 362.6 | 357.1 | 355.0 | 355.5 | 362.9 | 333.4 |
| Nickel | 351.7 | 351.7 | 317.2 | 317.2 | 328.7 | 294.2 | 289.6 |
| Oil, crude | 191.5 | $191.5^{\text {r }}$ | 191.8 | 191.8 | 191.7 | 191.6 | 192.0 |
| Onions | 284.4 | 357.1 | 266.9 | 292.7 | 290.6 | 277.8 | 245.0 |
| Potatoes | 212.9 | 226.5 | 199.5 | 164.8 | 162.1 | 223.5 | 319.0 |
| Rubber, raw | 142.5 | $141.2^{\text {r }}$ | 138.1 | 142.5 | 138.7 | 164.2 | 176.5 |
| Scrap iron and steel | 254.0 | 255.9 | 260.6 | 262.9 | 263.5 | 282.7 | 300.5 |
| Silver ............. | 608.3 | $644.4 r$ | 488.2 | 363.7 | 425.8 | 360.0 | 360.2 |
| Steers | 475.3 | 463.5 | 476.0 | 464.5 | 460.8 | 432.5 | 400.1 |
| Sugar, raw | 91.5 | 91.5 | 92.8 | 104.1 | 103.5 | 99.6 | 113.7 |
| Tin | 291.2 | 292.7 | 313.8 | 319.4 | 317.3 | 339.1 | 367.8 |
| Wool, raw, domestic | 153.6 | 156.1 | 193.2 | 186.4 | 183.1 | 242.8 | 229.3 |
| Wool, raw, imported | 159.0 | 157.5 | 177.9 | 177.9 | 163.1 | 192.3 | 174.9 |
| Zinc, prime, western | 300.2 | 300.2 | 300.2 | 300.2 | 308.5 | 322.4 | 322.4 |

(1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.
Revised figures.

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

(All prices given in Canadian funds)


Non-ferrous metals products:
Copper, electrolytic, domestic, 100-1b. ....
Tin, ingots, $99.8 \%$, Montreal, 1 b . ............

| 13.00 | 13.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.92 | 15.50 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1.55 | 1.56 | 1.67 | 1.70 | 1.69 | 1.81 | 1.97 |



Whom-metallis minerals protucts:

| Cement, Portland, Calgary, $350-1 \mathrm{~b} . \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 4.30 | 4.30 | 4.10 | 4.10 | 4.05 | 3.34 | 3.6 .4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cement, Portland, Toronto, $350-1 \mathrm{~b} . \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 3.74 | 3.74 | 3.59 | 3.59 | 3.59 | 3.44 | 3.41 |
| Goal, anthracito, U.S., stove size. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Chemical products:
Sodium carbonate, (soda ash) 58 p.c., $100-1 b$. .............................................. 2.15 2.15 2.15 2.15 2.15 2.15 3.05
$\begin{array}{lllllllllll}\text { Sulphuric acid, } 66^{\circ} \text { Baume, } 2000-1 \mathrm{~b} \text {, ton } \ldots & 31.00 & 31.00 & 29.35 & 27.75 & 28.42 & 24.48 & 22.64\end{array}$

[^5]TABLE 6. Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials
$(1935-39=100)$

| Date |  | Principal components |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total index | Concrete products | Bricks | Lumber and 1 umber products | ```Wall board and insula- tion``` | $\begin{gathered} \text { Roofing } \\ \text { ma- } \\ \text { terials } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Paint } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { glass } \end{aligned}$ | Plumbing and heating equipment | ```E1ec- trical. equip- ment and fixtures``` | Meta1 products |
| 1958 |  | 290.2 | 156.8 | 224.6 | 409.8 | 139.8 | 235.4 | 226.6 | 229.8 | 186.9 | 254.0 |
| 1959 |  | 296.3 | 153.8 | 227.8 | 421.1 | 140.9 | 239.3 | 229.3 | 231.6 | 201.6 | 256.9 |
| 1960 |  | 294.5 | 154.6 | 229.3 | 415.9 | 142.4 | 214.5 | 230.5 | 235.2 | 198.2 | 262.3 |
| 1961 |  | 292.5 | 153.0 | 218.9 | 412.3 | 144.8 | 204.0 | 235.6 | 236.1 | 194.2 | 261.8 |
| 1962 |  | 295.7 | 153.0 | 216.8 | 420.2 | 149.0 | 213.4 | 238.6 | 231.8 | 197.6 | 259.2 |
| 1963 |  | 305.3 | 157.2 | 225.5 | 436.4 | 151.1 | 236.6 | 256.4 | 234.7 | 204.8 | 250.1 |
| 1964 |  | 324.9 | 161.9 | 233.5 | 472.1 | 158.6 | 251.6 | 269.2 | 242.0 | 208.1 | 259.5 |
| 1965 |  | 339.6 | 168.1 | 246.5 | 495.7 | 164.3 | 243.8 | 282.6 | 254.4 | 208.2 | 266.5 |
| 1966 |  | 352.0 | 176.2 | 251.9 | 519.4 | 166.6 | 243.5 | 286.6 | 256.0 | 232.0 | 264.6 |
| 1967 |  | 363.3 | 182.2 | 256.5 | 537.4 | 169.5 | 257.6 | 298.7 | 264.0 | 245.1 | 260.3 |
| 1966(2) | - Jan. | 342.7 | 172.6 | 250.8 | 501.3 | 165.8 | 243.5 | 283.1 | 251.6 | 227.8 | 262.8 |
|  | Feb . | 343.7 | 172.7 | 250.7 | 502.2 | 166.2 | 243.5 | 283.1 | 253.7 | 228.0 | 266.8 |
|  | Mar. | 345.4 | 172.7 | 251.8 | 505.7 | 166.2 | 243.5 | 285.9 | 253.8 | 228.9 | 266.8 |
|  | Apr. | 346.3 | 176.2 | 252.2 | 506.7 | 166.8 | 243.5 | 285.9 | 254.1 | 231.6 | 265.0 |
|  | May | 348.4 | 176.2 | 252.2 | 510.0 | 167.5 | 243.5 | 286.3 | 257.0 | 233.6 | 265.3 |
|  | June | 354.3 | 176.3 | 252.2 | 523.4 | 167.5 | 243.5 | 286.3 | 257.5 | 234.5 | 265.3 |
|  | July | 356.1 | 176.3 | 252.2 | 528.0 | 166.6 | 243.5 | 287.2 | 257.5 | 233.7 | 265.3 |
|  | Aug. | 356.7 | 177.4 | 252.2 | 529.4 | 166.6 | 243.5 | 287.5 | 257.5 | 233.4 | 263.5 |
|  | Sept. | 357.9 | 177.7 | 252.2 | 532.1 | 166.6 | 243.5 | 287.5 | 257.5 | 233.4 | 263.5 |
|  | Oct. | 357.4 | 178.9 | 252.2 | 530.7 | 166.6 | 243.5 | 288.8 | 257.2 | 233.4 | 263.4 |
|  | Nov. | 357.5 | 178.9 | 252.2 | 531.0 | 166.4 | 243.5 | 289.0 | 257.2 | 232.9 | 264.9 |
|  | Dec. | 357.8 | 178.9 | 252.2 | 531.9 | 166.4 | 243.5 | 289.0 | 257.2 | 232.9 | 262.6 |
| 1967 - | Jan. | 356.9 | 180.7 | 252.2 | 526.6 | 168.2 | 247.5 | 296.6 | 259.9 | 234.5 | 265.3 |
|  | Feb. | 358.5 | 181.5 | 252.2 | 528.8 | 168.2 | 250.5 | 296.6 | 262.6 | 238.9 | 262.1 |
|  | Mar. | 359.3 | 181.4 | 254.7 | 529.8 | 169.0 | 250.5 | 296.6 | 263.0 | 240.5 | 260.9 |
|  | Apr. | 359.7 | 181.3 | 254.3 | 530.5 | 169.7 | 250.5 | 296.6 | 263.3 | 240.5 | 260.8 |
|  | May | 361.2 | 182.3 | 258.5 | 532.6 | 169.7 | 250.5 | 297.5 | 263.1 | 252.4 | 259.6 |
|  | June | 361.7 | 182.0 | 258.5 | 533.5 | 169.9 | 255.9 | 298.2 | 263.5 | 248.4 | 259.2 |
|  |  | 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 |
|  | Ju1y | 380.5 | 188.4 | 263.5 | 568.7 | 177.2 | 299.7 | 314.3 | 269.6 | 226.6 | 263.3 |
|  | Aug. | 384.2 | 188.2 | 263.5 | 577.0 | 177.2 | 299.7 | 314.3 | 270.4 | 226.6 | 262.5 |
|  | Sept. Oct. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Nov. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Dec. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

(1) Indexes for 1958 6re suiject eo revi aiun
(2) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41.

TABIE 7. Price Index Numbers of Non-Residential Building Materials
( $1949=100$ )

| Date |  | Principal components |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total <br> 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 |
|  | $301 y$ | 151.8 | 139.1 | 153.8 | 151.5 | 161.6 | 142.7 | 130.2 |
|  | Etar. | 151.9 | 140.1 | 153.8 | 151.7 | 161.9 | 142.5 | 129.3 |
|  | Supt. | 151.9 | 140.4 | 153.8 | 151.8 | 162.7 | 142.2 | 129.5 |
|  | Dot. | 151.9 | 141.5 | 153.8 | 152.1 | 162.1 | 142.2 | 130.1 |
|  | Vivv. | 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 |
| $1967-$ JanFebMarMarAprMayMuneJur |  | 153.3 | 142.4 | 157.8 | 152.8 | 163.9 | 144.2 | 131.9 |
|  |  | 153.7 | 142.8 | 157.8 | 153.8 | 164.9 | 144.6 | 134.0 |
|  |  | 153.9 | 142.7 | 157.8 | 154.6 | 165.5 | 145.1 | 134.1 |
|  |  | 154.3 | 142.7 | 158.8 | 157.5 | 165.9 | 145.3 | 134.8 |
|  |  | 154.0 | 143.6 | 158.8 | 157.7 | 166.8 | 145.0 | 133.7 |
|  |  | 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 | 159.5 159.6 | 176.5 | 148.9 | 133.0 |
|  | Mar. | 157.6 | 147.13 | 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 |
| JulyAug.Sopt.Oct.tov. |  | 157.6 | 147.9 | 163.4 | 160.8 | 182.3 | 148.3 | 128.4 |
|  |  | 157.8 | 147.7 | 163.4 | 160.7 | 183.9 | 148.5 | 128.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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TABLE 7. Price Index Numbers of Non-Residential Building Materials - Concluded
(1949=100)


[^6]「ABLE 8. Consumer Price Indexes, Canada, 1958-68
$(1949=100)$

(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
$(1949=100)$

|  | August 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All-items index | 156.0 | 155.6 | 150.9 | 150.2 | 149.0 | 143.9 | 138.7 |
| Food | 153.6 | 151.9 | 151.2 | 148.5 | 146.4 | 144.5 | 135.9 |
| Food at home | 151.2 | 149.3 | 149.3 | 146.4 | 144.2 | 143.6 | 135.2 |
| Dairy products | 166.0 | 165.9 | 161.8 | 161.5 | 159.0 | 148.6 | 139.5 |
| Cereal products | 173.8 | 171.9 | 170.7 | 168.3 | 168.9 | 166.4 | 162.1 |
| Miscellaneous groceries | 135.9 | 135.4 | 131.6 | 131.1 | 131.0 | 131.0 | 129.0 |
| Beef . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 166.6 | 166.0 | 168.5 | 163.0 | 162.3 | 154.4 | 140.2 |
| Pork | 132.3 | 127.8 | 134.5 | 135.6 | 133.5 | 147.6 | 127.6 |
| Fresh pork | 134.9 | 129.6 | 137.2 | 138.0 | 134.9 | 144.1 | 126.9 |
| Cured pork | 129.1 | 125.4 | 131.1 | 132.5 | 131.3 | 149.3 | 127.1 |
| Other meats | 138.9 | 139.5 | 138.9 | 137.7 | 137.0 | 136.6 | 121.3 |
| Fish | 172.1 | 171.5 | 168.5 | 167.1 | 168.0 | 164.8 | 150.1 |
| Poultry | 80.3 | 79.0 | 78.0 | 72.6 | 77.5 | 80.7 | 74.8 |
| Eggs .................. | 91.0 | 80.0 | 89.6 | 76.7 | 88.0 | 104.3 | 88.3 |
| Dairy products including butter | 149.9 | 149.9 | 147.0 | 146.8 | 144.9 | 135.9 | 126.9 |
| Fats and oils including butter | 108.3 | 108.7 | 109.8 | 109.8 | 109.7 | 106.5 | 98.7 |
| Fats and oils excluding butter | 107.4 | 107.8 | 110.5 | 110.9 | 111.9 | 114.2 | 109.1 |
| Total fruit | 187.8 | 188.2 | 165.5 | 164.8 | 151.8 | 150.9 | 152.5 |
| Fresh fruit | 212.5 | 213.5 | 183.7 | 183.3 | 160.0 | 155.6 | 158.1 |
| Canned fruit | 138.6 | 138.9 | 128.8 | 128.0 | 129.3 | 132.0 | 131.8 |
| Total vegetables | 172.5 | 184.9 | 175.5 | 185.6 | 159.0 | 162.6 | 160.8 |
| Fresh vegetables | 180.1 | 198.7 | 187.4 | 203.5 | 162.9 | 170.5 | 170.8 |
| Canned vegetables | 160.7 | 160.1 | 154.5 | 152.2 | 153.8 | 149.8 | 143.8 |
| Direct imports(1) | 162.5 | 166.9 | 149.4 | 150.5 | 143.7 | 145.3 | 148.8 |
| Restaurant meals(2) | 145.6 | 145.6 | 140.0 | 140.0 | 138.7 | 129.0 | 120.2 |
| Housing | 158.4 | 158.3 | 152.2 | 151.9 | 151.0 | 144.7 | 140.9 |
| Shelter | 181.1 | 180.9 | 171.8 | 171.4 | 170.5 | 162.9 | 157.8 |
| Tenant costs | 161.4 | 161.0 | 154.5 | 154.1 | 153.5 | 148.5 | 146.0 |
| Home-ownership costs | 200.4 | 200.3 | 188.8 | 188.3 | 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 | 139.4 | 137.2 | 130.8 | 125.5 |
| Repairs. | 213.0 | 213.4 | 201.0 | 201.0 | 199.5 | 187.9 | 180.9 |
| New houses | 218.6 | 218.3 | 204.9 | 204.0 | 202.9 | 189.3 | 181.2 |
| Personal property insurance $\qquad$ | 183.5 | 178.7 | 172.9 | 164.4 | 167.6 | 158.3 | 147.8 |
| Household operation | 136.3 | 136.3 | 133.4 | 133.3 | 132.5 | 127.6 | 125.1 |
| Fue1 ............ | 118.1 | 117.0 | 113.8 | 113.6 | 113.5 | 111.7 | 111.6 |
| Coal. | 148.2 | 147.2 | 144.8 | 143.5 | 144.6 | 140.8 | 138.6 |
| Fuel oil | 100.0 | 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.. | 131.4 | 130.0 | 125.3 | 125.3 | 122.7 | 114.4 | 114.3 |
| Home furnishings | 130.2 | 131.0 | 128.1 | 128.4 | 127.6 | 122.3 | 119.5 |
| Appliances. | 83.9 | 83.9 | 84.2 | 84.2 | 83.6 | 82.0 | 81.8 |
| Furniture | 146.7 | 149.1 | 143.5 | 144.4 | 143.7 | 134.8 | 129.8 |
| Floor coverings | 138.4 | 140.3 | 139.8 | 140.6 | 139.5 | 137.7 | 139.3 |
| Textiles ............. | 132.6 | 132.5 | 128.1 | 129.0 | 127.9 | 124.7 | 122.9 |
| Utensils and equipment | 181.1 | 181.3 | 174.3 | 173.8 | 172.6 | 162.2 | 154.9 |

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[^8]TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued
(1949=100)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Transportation | 161.8 | 161.9 | 158.0 | 158.3 | 157.2 | 150.8 | 147.3 |
| Automobile operation ........ | 135.2 | 135.5 | 132.9 | 133.2 | 132.9 | 129.6 | 127.0 |
| New passenger car . ........ | 118.6 | 119.3 | 117.5 | 118.0 | 117.7 | 115.7 | 118.0 |
| Gasoline | 121.2 | 121.1 | 116.0 | 116.6 | 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 | 279.0 | 278.2 | 268.8 | 268.3 | 263.5 | 229.0 | 221.0 |
| Street car and bus fares | 298.5 | 298.5 | 287.7 | 287.7 | 282.0 | 242.5 | 234.2 |
| Taxi fare | 164.9 | 160.5 | 157.7 | 155.7 | 154.8 | 145.6 | 139.8 |
| Travel | 149.9 | 150.7 | 139.3 | 138.8 | 131.7 | 127.9 | 122.3 |
| Train fare | 151.3 | 152.7 | 141.8 | 140.7 | 127.1 | 120.5 | 109.8 |
| Bus fare | 139.4 | 139.4 | 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 | 199.1 | 198.8 | 191.9 | 191.5 | 190.2 | 180.9 | 175.5 |
| Health care | 204.0 | 203.8 | 195.9 | 195.8 | 193.4 | 184.1 | 180.6 |
| Doctors' fees | 186.7 | 186.7 | 181.6 | 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 | 202.5 | 202.2 | 200.8 | 190.2 | 184.9 |
| Appendectomy | 123.5 | 123.5 | 123.0 | 122.7 | 122.8 | 122.3 | 122.0 |
| Dentists' fees | 229.6 | 229.0 | 209.2 | 209.2 | 208.8 | 198.6 | 187.8 |
| Filling ................. | 234.0 | 233.2 | 211.2 | 211.2 | 210.9 | 202.0 | 190.3 |
| Dentures ................ | 186.1 | 185.6 | 171.6 | 171.6 | 171.8 | 164.4 | 158.0 |
| Extraction | 291.5 | 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 | 246.2 | 229.4 | 229.4 | 226.0 | 217.2 | 219.1 |
| Pharmaceuticals | 118.0 | 117.8 | 124.8 | 124.2 | 122.2 | 121.4 | 119.9 |
| Headache tablets ........ | 119.9 | 120.3 | 129.0 | 128.8 | 126.9 | 127.4 | 125.7 |
| Vitamins ................ | 89.4 | 89.0 | 96.5 | 96.3 | 94.6 | 96.2 | 98.5 |
| Bandages | 173.5 | 171.6 | 175.8 | 174.7 | 173.4 | 174.6 | 174.2 |
| Prescriptions ........... | 95.5 | 95.3 | 101.1 | 100.6 | 98.9 | 98.5 | 97.0 |
| Personal care | 187.5 | 187.2 | 182.0 | 181.3 | 181.7 | 172.7 | 164.1 |
| Supplies ................. | 147.0 | 146.6 | 144.6 | 143.4 | 144.9 | 142.6 | 138.1 |
| Toilet soap ............. | 154.7 | 154.3 | 154.2 | 150.7 | 156.7 | 157.2 | 148.9 |
| Toothpaste. | 143.3 | 143.8 | 141.6 | 141.3 | 142.5 | 141.2 | 138.7 |
| Face powder . ............ | 166.0 | 161.4 | 156.1 | 155.3 | 154.9 | 149.6 | 147.4 |
| Razor blades | 111.6 | 112.1 | 112.4 | 111.5 | 110.4 | 100.7 | 106.2 |
| Cleansing tissues | 128.8 | 129.5 | 123.7 | 124.6 | 125.2 | 123.7 | 119.6 |
| Services | 246.3 | 246.3 | 236.5 | 236.5 | 235.5 | 217.0 | 202.3 |
| Men's haircuts .......... | 269.5 | 269.5 | 258.7 | 258.7 | 257.2 | 235.8 | 219.8 |
| Women's hairdressing .... | 217.0 | 217.0 | 208.4 | 208.4 | 207.8 | 192.6 | 179.6 |

[^9]TaBLE C. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Concluded
(1949*100)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { August } \\ 1968 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | August | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | 1965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Recreation and reading ......... | 175.2 | 174.8 | 167.9 | 167.8 | 166.8 | 158.7 | 154.3 |
| Recreation | 169.5 | 169.1 | 163.8 | 163.6 | 162.5 | 154.5 |  |
| Theatre admission ......... | 295.4 | 295.4 | 272.9 | 272.9 | 268.4 | 236.5 | 215.4 |
| Admission to sporting events | 234.7 | 231.9 | 221.6 | 217.9 | 220.4 | 208.6 | 205.8 |
| Radio ....................... | 98.2 | 98.2 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 97.7 | 97.1 | 96.5 |
| Television, console(2) ..... | 92.1 | 92.1 | 96.2 | 96.2 | 95.8 | 95.8 | 98.0 |
| Camera film | 182.8 | 180.0 | 174.0 | 174.8 | 173.6 | 167.1 | 163.4 |
| Phonograph record ........... | 159.3 | 159.3 | 144.9 | 144.9 | 143.3 | 132.5 | 131.0 |
| Bicycle | 137.3 | 137.0 | 135.8 | 134.1 | 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 | 192.5 | 192.4 | 180.5 | 180.5 | 179.7 | 171.5 | 165.2 |
| Newspapers | 235.9 | 235.8 | 223.1 | 223.1 | 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 | 128.6 | 128.1 | 128. 3 | 125.1 | 122.3 |
| Tobacco | 141.0 | 140.9 | 124.2 | 124.0 | 124.4 | 119.5 | 114.7 |
| Cigarettes ....... | 134.7 | 134.7 | 118.4 | 118.3 | 118.6 | 113.6 | 108.9 |
| Cigarette tobacco | 158.5 | 158.0 | 142.8 | 141.8 | 142.8 | 141.5 | 139.4 |
| Aiashol | 140.9 | 140.9 | 131.5 | 130.9 | 131.0 | 128.9 | 127.6 |
| Beer ... | 135.7 | 135.7 | 127.5 | 126.8 | 127.0 | 125.5 | 124.9 |
| Liquor ...................... | 151.3 | 151.3 | 139.3 | 139.1 | 138.9 | 135.9 | 132.9 |

Supplementary classifications:
Commodities:

| Total | 140.2 | 139.8 | 136.7 | 136.2 | 134.9 | 131.5 | 126.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total excluding food | 133.6 | 133.6 | 129.0 | 129.0 | 128.6 | 124.0 | 121.5 |
| Durable | 119.8 | 120.5 | 118.8 | 119.1 | 118.6 | 115.0 | 114.6 |
| Household equipment | 124.1 | 124.9 | 123.2 | 123.4 | 122.7 | 118.2 | 116.1 |
| Appliances(3) | 85.7 | 85.7 | 86.8 | 86.8 | 86.3 | 85.3 | 85.6 |
| other | 156.5 | 158.2 | 153.0 | 153.5 | 152.5 | 144.1 | 139.0 |
| Transportation equipment | 119.1 | 119.7 | 118.2 | 118.5 | 118.2 | 115.7 | 117.2 |
| Non-durable | 144.3 | 143.9 | 140.4 | 139.8 | 138.3 | 134.9 | 129.2 |
| Non-durable excluding food | 138.8 | 138.7 | 132.8 | 132.7 | 132.4 | 127.5 | 124.1 |
| Textiles ("use" classifi- |  |  |  |  |  | 127.5 | 124.1 |
| cation) | 126.7 | 127.3 | 124.5 | 124.9 | 124.7 | 119.1 | 115.8 |
| Garment s . .................. | 125.6 | 126.3 | 123.5 | 123.9 | 123.9 | 118.2 | 114.6 |
| Household furnishings and piece goods | 133.6 | 133.5 | 130.5 | 131.0 | 129.7 | 125.3 | 123.4 |
| Textiles (chief component |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| material classification) | 126.7 | 127.3 | 124.5 | 124.9 | 124.7 | 119.1 | 115.8 |
| Wool | 141.6 | 142.5 | 136.7 | 136.2 | 137.5 | 130.9 | 126.5 |
| cotton | 132.0 | 132.3 | 128.4 | 128.8 | 128.2 | 122.7 | 120.0 |
| Synthetic | 108.0 | 108.4 | 105.5 | 106.9 | 106.1 | 102.7 | 101.2 |
| Fur | 108.4 | 109.1 | 118.3 | 119.1 | 117.1 | 109.7 | 104.0 |
| Footwear | 189.5 | 187.7 | 180.1 | 179.2 | 178.1 | 168.1 | 157.8 |
| Leather | 192.8 | 190.7 | 183.8 | 182.9 | 181.6 | 171.2 | 160.2 |
| Rubber and plastic | 167.2 | 165.6 | 152.9 | 152.1 | 153.1 | 145.5 | 140.4 |
| Other non-durable | 140.3 | 139.9 | 132.8 | 132.5 | 132.2 | 128.0 | 125.1 |
| ervices: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 195.6 | 195.2 | 187.7 | 187.3 | 185.9 | 176.6 | 170.6 |
| Total excluding shelter ...... | 216.9 | 216.6 | 208.6 | 208.4 | 206.4 | 194.4 | 186.2 |

[^10]Table 10. Average Retail Prices for Canada - Selected Food Items (1)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1967 \end{aligned}$ | 1967 | 1966 | $\begin{gathered} 1968 \\ \text { price } \\ \text { relative } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | d |  |  |  | $1949=100$ |
| Dairy products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Milk, fresh, qt. | 30.6 | 30.6 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 29.0 | 26.8 | 172.0 |
| Milk, evaporated, 16 oz . | 18.3 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 19.0 | 18.7 | 18.5 | 123.8 |
| Powdered skim milk, pkg., 3 lb . | 136.4 | 136.2 | 137.7 | 137.4 | 134.2 | 125.6 | 116.0 (2) |
| Butter, creamery, first grade, 1 b . | 70.2 | 70.5 | 70.9 | 70.8 | 70.4 | 67.1 | 108.7 |
| Cheese, plain, processed, $1 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. | 45.5 | 45.6 | 45.6 | 45.4 | 44.7 | 43.1 | 156.0 |
| Poultry and eggs: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicken, grade A evisc. (11/2-41b.).1b.(5) | 48.7 | 47.7 | 47.7 | 44.0 | 47.5 | 49.7 | 92.3 (4) |
| Turkey, grade A evisc. (8-16 lb.), lb. (5) | 48.3 | 49.1 | 47.8 | 47.0 | 48.2 | 50.5 | 82.2 (2) |
| Eggs, fresh, grade A large, doz. ............ | 56.0 | 49.1 | 55.1 | 47.1 | 54.1 | 64.1 | 91.0 |
| Eggs, fresh, grade A medium, doz. (5) ....... | 48.4 | 43.8 | 46.0 | 39.4 | 46.5 | 58.4 | 104.4 |
| Beef: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sirloin steak, lb. | 130.2 | 130.0 | 133.0 | 126.0 | 123.7 | 11.6 .7 | 184.9 |
| Round steak, 1b. | 109.7 | 109.3 | 110.5 | 107.5 | 107.8 | 102.5 | 163.7 |
| Prime rib roast, lb. (6) | 109.5 | 109.5 | 110.2 | 109.0 | 108.7 | 104.9 | 163.2 |
| Blade roast, lb. (7) .. | 74.7 | 73.7 | 77.0 | 74.6 | 74.6 | 71.1 | 154.4 |
| Stewing beef, 1 b . | 83.9 | 83.8 | 79.7 | 78.3 | 79.2 | 76.3 | 179.8 |
| Hamburg, lb. | 59.3 | 59.3 | 59.7 | 58.6 | 58.7 | 55.8 | 156.5 |
| Liver, sliced, lb. | 62.5 | 62.0 | 60.9 | 61.3 | 60.7 | 62.9 | 111.4 (2) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rib chops, fresh, lb. | 86.3 | 81.7 | 87.2 | 88.0 | 85.1 | 91.0 | 151.7 |
| Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh, 1 b | 62.6 | 60.6 | 64.3 | 65.3 | 64.1 | 72.3 | 113.1 |
| Sausage, pure pork, 1 l . | 71.0 | 70.3 | 72.9 | 72.5 | 72.4 | 74.8 | 143.7 |
| Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off, 1/2 lb. | 53.4 | 52.0 | 55.9 | 56.4 | 55.0 | 66.5 | 126.0 |
| Ham, smoked, boneless, to be cooked, 1b. (8) | 123.8 | 119.0 | 125.2 | 127.3 | 124.8 | 136.8 | 145.7 (-) |
| Other meats: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lamb, leg roast, 16. | 89.2 | 87.1 | 88.0 | 82.8 | 81.9 | 89.3 | 123.8 |
| Veal, loin chops, rib end, 1 d | 125.6 | 126.5 | 122.9 | 120.3 | 119.7 | 110.1 | 169.1 |
| Wieners or frankfurters, 1 b . | 61.2 | 62.0 | 62.3 | 62.9 | 62.4 | 63.1 | 117.0 (2) |
| Meat loaf, canned, mainly pork, 12 oz . ...... | 53.1 | 53.7 | 55.7 | 56.7 | 57.3 | 60.8 | 169.8 (2) |
| Fish: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cod fillets, frozen, lb.(3) | 49.7 | 49.8 | 48.7 | 48.3 | 48.2 | 47.4 | 146.6 (4) |
| Salmon, canned, fancy pink, 8 oz. ........... | 42.7 | 42.7 | 41.2 | 41.3 | 41.6 | 41.4 | 172.6 |
| Fats and oils: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Margarine, lb. | 33.6 | 33.9 | 34.9 | 35.1 | 35.4 | 36.0 | 104.4 |
| Lard, pure, 16. | 22.3 | 22.2 | 26.4 | 27.8 | 27.4 | 30.1 | 94.9 |
| Shortening, lb. | 39.2 | 39.1 | 39.7 | 39.9 | 40.2 | 40.9 | 121.3 |
| Salad dressing, jar, 16 oz. ................. | 43.1 | 43.3 | 43.5 | 43.1 | 43.7 | 44.4 | 106.5 (2) |
| Cereals and bakery products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Flour, white, all purpose, lb. | 12.1 | 11.9 | 11.9 | 11.8 | 11.8 | 11.4 | 173.2 |
| Corn flakes, pkg., 8 oz . | 24.1 | 24.1 | 24.4 | 24.2 | 24.2 | 23.4 | 170.5 |
| Macaroni, dry, pkg., lb. | 23.9 | 23.8 | 23.3 | 23.1 | 23.0 | 21.8 | 174.0 |
| Cake mix, white, pkg., 14-16 oz. | 39.9 | 40.0 | 39.5 | 39.3 | 39.3 | 39.4 | 125.3 |
| Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced, 1b.... | 19.9 | 19.5 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 19.0 | 19.0 | 197.4 |
| Soda crackers, pkg., lb. | 42.7 | 42.7 | 41.2 | 41.2 | 41.3 | 40.0 | 112.4 (2) |
| Sugar and sweets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sugar, granulated, lb. | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 99.7 |
| Jam, strawberry, 2 lb . jar, 1h. (9) | 30.6 | 30.7 | 30.2 | 30.1 | 30.5 | 31.7 | 132.1 |
| Honey, No. 1, white, 2 1b. (3) ....... | 71.3 | 73.1 | 71.5 | 31.4 | 72.8 | 70.1 | 113.2 (3) |

[^11]TABLE 10. Average Retail Prices for Canada - Selected Food Items (1) - Concluded

|  | August1968July <br> 1968August <br> 1967$\quad$July <br> 1967$\quad 1967 \quad 1966$1968 <br> price <br> relative |
| :---: | :---: |

Fruits:
$\begin{array}{lllllllllll}\text { Oranges, Calffornia, medtum size (138), doz } & -72.9 & 71.9 & 51.3 & 50.7 & 56.0 & 56.8 & 207.0\end{array}$
Grapefruit, white, $48^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, $1 / 2$ doz. ............... $87.7 \quad 85.0 \quad 77.7 \quad 72.4 \quad 63.0 \quad 70.0 \quad 228.1$
Bananas, yellow, lb. .................................
Apples, volume seller, lb. ......................
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg., 15 oz . (5)
18.718 .2

| 31.4 | 27.9 | 25.8 | 24.0 | 19.9 | 18.6 | 306.4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Orange juice, conc., frozen, fancy, 6 oz . (5)
$49.8 \quad 49.9$
$\begin{array}{lll}25.5 & 25.3 & 21.7\end{array}$
Apple juice, choice, 20 oz. ......................
Orange juice, unsweetened, 20 oz. ...............
Pears, canned, cholce, 15 oz. .......................
Peaches, canned, choice, halves, 15 oz. .....
Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced, 20 oz. (5) .......
Raisins, California and Australia, lb. .......
$18.5 \quad 18.7$
23.1
25.1
$18.7 \quad 18.3 \quad 18.5$
33.4
41.8

Vegetables:
Potatoes, No. 1 table, 10 lb . ....................




Tomatoes, fresh, lb

| 71.8 | 80.1 | 68.7 | 61.9 | 56.1 | 64.0 | 206.1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 19.2 | 19.5 | 19.2 | 17.2 | 16.4 | 14.8 | 260.9 |
| 15.9 | 16.6 | 17.7 | 15.5 | 14.1 | 14.9 | 211.3 |
| 13.8 | 14.5 | 13.7 | 14.7 | 11.2 | 11.2 | 276.9 |
| 11.4 | 13.3 | 12.4 | 14.3 | 12.7 | 13.6 | 148.3 |
| 37.7 | 41.1 | 36.6 | 42.8 | 31.4 | 32.2 | 161.4 |
| 21.1 | 26.1 | 23.5 | 23.5 | 19.9 | 20.3 | 124.9 |
| 19.3 | 21.4 | 24.5 | 45.6 | 26.7 | 26.5 | 125.9 |
| 26.3 | 26.5 | 25.9 | 25.7 | 25.7 | 24.5 | $104.4(4)$ |
| 27.3 | 27.3 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 26.9 | 26.4 | $102.2(2)$ |
| 33.5 | 33.2 | 35.5 | 35.6 | 35.5 | 35.8 | 166.8 |
| 22.7 | 22.6 | 20.5 | 19.9 | 20.3 | 19.4 | 155.9 |
| 26.6 | 26.5 | 25.0 | 24.5 | 24.8 | 23.8 | 139.0 |
| 12.8 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.3 | 12.4 | 12.6 | 154.2 |
| 23.5 | 23.3 | 22.9 | 22.7 | 22.9 | 22.5 | 169.7 |
| 15.3 | 15.3 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 15.4 | 125.8 |
| 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.1 | 19.9 | 20.0 | 19.6 | $125.0(2)$ |

Beverages:


Miscellaneous groceries:

(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 avallable 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 hlade removed. (8) Average prices hased on chain store mricus in


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. (l)

oct. . . . . . .
Nov. . .....
Dec.
(1) For $\operatorname{expl}$ anation see Page 43.
(2) 1957 weights replace 1947-48 weights beginning February 1962.

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued


[^12]TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued


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| 1967 | - Jan. | 117.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Feb. | 118.1 |
|  | Mar. | 125.0 |
|  | Apr. | 127.1 |
|  | May | 127.0 |
|  | June | 127.1 |
|  | July | 126.9 |
|  | Aug. | 126.0 |
|  | Sept. | 127.7 |
|  | Oct. | 128.1 |
|  | Nov. | 129.8 |
|  | Dec. | 130.1 |
| 1968 | - Jan. | 129.6 |
|  | Feb. | 130.3 |
|  | Mar. | 132.2 |
|  | Apr. | 133.6 |
|  | May | 133.9 |
|  | June | 135.3 |
|  | July | 135.6 |
|  | Aug. | 135.6 |


| 137.0 | 139.2 | 119.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 137.7 | 139.2 | 120.1 |
| 139.7 | 141.1 | 121.7 |
| 140.0 | 141.2 | 124.7 |
| 139.7 | 141.2 | 124.5 |
| 140.3 | 142.1 | 125.1 |
| 140.2 | 142.1 | 125.1 |
| 140.1 | 142.1 | 125.1 |
| 141.7 | 143.3 | 127.2 |
| 142.1 | 143.5 | 125.6 |
| 142.6 | 143.5 | 126.2 |
| 142.6 | 144.3 | 126.6 |
| 142.4 | 144.3 | 124.8 |
| 142.9 | 144.3 | 125.4 |
| 143.9 | 145.7 | 126.8 |
| 144.4 | 146.5 | 127.5 |
| 143.9 | 146.5 | 127.2 |
| 144.2 | 147.6 | 127.2 |
| 144.0 | 147.6 | 127.1 |
| 143.9 | 147.6 | 126.5 |


| 134.2 | 137.2 | 134.8 | 141.2 | 137.5 | 131.5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 134.6 | 137.7 | 135.6 | 141.2 | 137.5 | 132.8 |
| 135.8 | 139.8 | 137.4 | 142.5 | 138.3 | 133.5 |
| 136.3 | 140.2 | 137.9 | 142.6 | 140.0 | 134.0 |
| 136.2 | 140.1 | 138.2 | 142.7 | 140.9 | 133.9 |
| 136.6 | 140.2 | 143.5 | 143.7 | 141.3 | 133.6 |
| 136.6 | 140.0 | 143.5 | 143.7 | 141.5 | 134.3 |
| 136.6 | 139.6 | 144.2 | 143.7 | 141.7 | 134.6 |
| 138.5 | 142.6 | 147.3 | 145.4 | 143.8 | 135.9 |
| 139.3 | 140.8 | 147.0 | 145.6 | 144.3 | 136.1 |
| 140.0 | 142.3 | 147.6 | 145.6 | 144.3 | 136.4 |
| 140.2 | 142.3 | 147.3 | 146.5 | 144.2 | 136.8 |
| 138.2 | 140.6 | 147.0 | 146.5 | 143.1 | 136.4 |
| 138.7 | 141.3 | 147.2 | 146.5 | 143.8 | 137.1 |
| 139.4 | 143.4 | 148.1 | 149.3 | 145.0 | 138.6 |
| 140.4 | 143.9 | 150.3 | 150.0 | 146.2 | 139.7 |
| 139.9 | 143.4 | 151.0 | 150.0 | 146.4 | 139.5 |
| 140.5 | 143.9 | 151.2 | 150.5 | 146.5 | 140.2 |
| 140.5 | 143.5 | 151.1 | 150.5 | 146.5 | 139.8 |
| 140.4 | 143.2 | 151.5 | 150.5 | 146.7 | 139.6 |

ABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued

| St. John's Nfld. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hali- } \\ & \text { fax } \end{aligned}$ | Saint John | Mont real | Ottawa | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tor - } \\ & \text { onto } \end{aligned}$ | Winnipeg | Saskatoon Regina | Edmon- ton Calgary | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Van - } \\ & \text { couver } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { June } \\ 1951=100 \end{gathered}$ | $1949=100$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## TRANSPORTATION



| 141.9 | 152.0 | 171.4 | 167.4 | 152.7 | 142.3 | 139.1 | 138.0 | 152.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 142.4 | 152.5 | 179.9 | 167.7 | 153.2 | 145.6 | 139.0 | 138.8 | 151.8 |
| 143.3 | 153.0 | 181.3 | 168.1 | 154.1 | 146.1 | 139.5 | 139.5 | 152.4 |
| 142.8 | 152.5 | 182.7 | 167.8 | 158.4 | 145.6 | 140.3 | 139.5 | 152.4 |
| 142.5 | 152.1 | 183.0 | 168.1 | 158.7 | 145.5 | 140.2 | 141.4 | 153.0 |
| 143.7 | 153.3 | 183.4 | 168.8 | 159.6 | 150.1 | 140.8 | 142.1 | 154.1 |
| 143.4 | 153.0 | 183.0 | 168.9 | 159.9 | 150.3 | 141.2 | 142.6 | 154.4 |
| 143.2 | 152.8 | 182.4 | 168.8 | 159.9 | 149.3 | 140.9 | 142.4 | 154.5 |
| 143.7 | 155.3 | 182.7 | 169.1 | 160.0 | 150.1 | 142.4 | 143.2 | 155.3 |
| 143.4 | 155.2 | 182.1 | 168.4 | 159.1 | 150.1 | 142.0 | 142.8 | 154.8 |
| 143.4 | 155.1 | 181.9 | 168.4 | 159.1 | 149.9 | 142.0 | 142.8 | 154.8 |
| 144.8 | 156.8 | 184.1 | 169.8 | 160.0 | 153.5 | 145.2 | 147.8 | 156.5 |
| 144.6 | 156.5 | 184.8 | 170.5 | 160.5 | 153.8 | 144.8 | 147.3 | 156.9 |
| 145.6 | 157.1 | 184.1 | 174.9 | 158.3 | 152.9 | 145.4 | 146.8 | 156.8 |
| 146.4 | 158.3 | 184.1 | 177.0 | 159.9 | 151.5 | 147.6 | 147.5 | 156.8 |
| 146.5 | 159.1 | 185.6 | 177.5 | 159.9 | 151.5 | 147.4 | 147.3 | 157.0 |
| 146.6 | 161.8 | 185.7 | 177.7 | 159.9 | 151.7 | 147.3 | 146.8 | 157.2 |
| 146.4 | 161.5 | 186.2 | 178.6 | 160.6 | 152.2 | 147.6 | 149.0 | 157.9 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 145.6 | 160.7 | 186.1 | 178.3 | 161.2 | 152.2 | 147.6 | 149.0 | 158.2 |
| 144.8 | 159.7 | 185.4 | 177.5 | 161.2 | 152.3 | 147.8 | 149.0 | 157.8 |

## HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE

| 1967 | Jan. | 169.4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Feb. | 169.8 |
|  | Mar. | 169.8 |
|  | Apr. | 177.7 |
|  | May | 180.0 |
|  | June | 179.3 |
|  | July | 179.7 |
|  | Aug. | 180.0 |
|  | Sept. | 179.5 |
|  | Oct. | 191.5 |
|  | Nov. | 191.2 |
|  | Dec. | 191.2 |
| 1968 | - Jan. | 190.7 |
|  | Feb. | 190.8 |
|  | Mar. | 190.8 |
|  | Apr. | 193.8 |
|  | May | 194.4 |
|  | June | 194.2 |
|  | July | 193.9 |
|  | Aug. | 194.5 |
|  | Sept. |  |
|  | oct. |  |
|  | Nov. |  |
|  | Dec. |  |


| 180.3 | 211.0 | 192.5 | 191.7 | 183.4 | 196.2 | 160.1 | 189.4 | 166.1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 180.5 | 211.5 | 192.3 | 191.7 | 183.6 | 196.2 | 160.3 | 189.7 | 166.6 |
| 180.8 | 212.0 | 192.1 | 192.0 | 183.7 | 196.2 | 160.3 | 189.7 | 166.3 |
| 182.1 | 213.8 | 198.2 | 196.2 | 189.8 | 198.2 | 163.4 | 190.8 | 174.1 |
| 183.9 | 212.2 | 198.7 | 198.2 | 190.3 | 199.3 | 166.7 | 191.5 | 174.6 |
| 184.1 | 212.0 | 198.7 | 197.3 | 189.6 | 201.4 | 166.4 | 191.4 | 174.3 |
| 184.1 | 212.3 | 198.9 | 197.0 | 189.1 | 208.5 | 166.9 | 194.2 | 174.5 |
| 184.2 | 212.2 | 198.7 | 198.2 | 189.8 | 208.6 | 168.4 | 196.0 | 174.5 |
| 183.5 | 210.6 | 198.2 | 197.4 | 189.2 | 207.9 | 166.5 | 195.5 | 174.5 |
| 188.0 | 213.5 | 198.0 | 203.0 | 190.9 | 208.9 | 166.9 | 196.7 | 178.5 |
| 188.7 | 214.3 | 198.9 | 203.5 | 191.3 | 209.2 | 166.8 | 197.0 | 178.8 |
| 189.2 | 214.7 | 199.0 | 206.1 | 191.3 | 209.5 | 166.8 | 197.1 | 178.9 |
| 189.8 | 214.5 | 198.9 | 205.2 | 191.0 | 209.5 | 166.8 | 197.0 | 178.3 |
| 189.2 | 214.9 | 198.6 | 205.1 | 190.8 | 209.1 | 168.0 | 201.5 | 178.5 |
| 189.1 | 214.5 | 198.6 | 205.8 | 190.3 | 209.1 | 168.3 | 201.4 | 178.7 |
| 202.1 | 216.2 | 199.0 | 206.4 | 194.7 | 209.8 | 169.4 | 204.7 | 180.6 |
| 203.5 | 217.7 | 199.3 | 207.9 | 195.4 | 210.4 | 170.2 | 206.3 | 180.8 |
| 203.8 | 217.9 | 199.7 | 207.9 | 194.8 | 213.7 | 170.0 | 206.4 | 181.0 |
| 203.8 | 218.1 | 199.7 | 207.6 | 195.4 | 228.6 | 170.4 | 206.7 | 181.0 |
| 204.5 | 218.4 | 199.7 | 207.9 | 195.5 | 227.7 | 178.1 | 207.0 | 180.8 |

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Concluded


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| 1967 | - Jan. | 117.9 | 128.1 | 129.2 | 129.6 | 134.5 | 131.5 | 140.2 | 126.8 | 123.6 | 125.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Feb. | 118.1 | 128.0 | 129.2 | 129.6 | 134.8 | 131.7 | 140.2 | 126.8 | 125.0 | 125.6 |
|  | Mar. | 119.5 | 128.0 | 129.2 | 131.0 | 135.9 | 132.4 | 141.2 | 129.2 | 126.1 | 126.4 |
|  | Apr. | 120.2 | 130.0 | 131.1 | 131.6 | 135.9 | 132.4 | 141.2 | 129.2 | 126.1 | 126.4 |
|  | May | 120.4 | 130.0 | 131.1 | 131.8 | 136.0 | 132.4 | 141.4 | 129.3 | 126.2 | 126.9 |
|  | June | 120.4 | 130.0 | 131.1 | 131.8 | 136.0 | 132.4 | 146.0 | 129.3 | 126.2 | 126.9 |
|  | July | 120.4 | 130.0 | 131.1 | 131.8 | 136.0 | 132.4 | 146.0 | 129.3 | 126.2 | 126.9 |
|  | Aug. | 120.4 | 131.8 | 131.1 | 131.9 | 136.0 | 132.5 | 147.4 | 129.3 | 126.1 | 128.5 |
|  | Sept. | 120.4 | 131.8 | 131.1 | 131.9 | 136.0 | 132.5 | 147.4 | 129.3 | 126.1 | 128.5 |
|  | Oct. | 120.4 | 131.8 | 131.1 | 131.9 | 136.0 | 132.5 | 147.4 | 129.3 | 126.1 | 128.5 |
|  | Nov. | 120.5 | 131.8 | 131.5 | 131.9 | 136.2 | 132.7 | 147.4 | 129.3 | 126.2 | 128.5 |
|  | Dec. | 125.5 | 134.7 | 134.6 | 137.4 | 139.8 | 136.0 | 150.8 | 135.9 | 131.5 | 135.1 |
| 1968 | - Jan. | 126.2 | 140.2 | 139.6 | 137.6 | 147.0 | 143.7 | 154.3 | 136.2 | 131.7 | 135.1 |
|  | Feb. | 126.2 | 140.2 | 139.6 | 137.9 | 146.9 | 143.7 | 154.3 | 137.0 | 132.0 | 135.7 |
|  | Mar. | 126.2 | 140.2 | 139.6 | 137.9 | 150.2 | 148.9 | 154.3 | 140.1 | 132.0 | 135.7 |
|  | Apr. | 139.2 | 140.2 | 139.6 | 146.5 | 150.2 | 148.9 | 154.3 | 140.1 | 132.0 | 135.7 |
|  | May | 139.2 | 139.8 | 139.7 | 146.5 | 152.8 | 149.4 | 154.5 | 140.5 | 132.1 | 135.7 |
|  | June | 139.2 | 139.8 | 139.7 | 146.5 | 152.8 | 149.4 | 154.5 | 140.5 | 132.1 | 135.7 |
|  | July | 139.2 | 139.8 | 139.7 | 146.5 | 152.8 | 149.4 | 154.5 | 140.5 | 132.1 | 135.7 |
|  | Aug. | 139.9 | 139.9 | 139.4 | 145.5 | 152.3 | 149.4 | 154.1 | 140.5 | 132. | 136.0 |

TA11L 12. Avorage Weekly Wages in Manufacturing in Current Dollars and Adjusted for Climges in the Consumer Price Index, Canada(1)

1961-68

|  |  | Weekly wages in current dollars | Index numbers of weekly wages <br> in current dollars | ```Weekly wages in }196 dollars``` | Index numbers of weekly wages in 1961 dollars |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$ | (1961 $=100$ ) | \$ |  |
| 1961 | - Average | 74.45 | 100.0 | 74.45 | 100.0 |
| 1962 | it | 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 | 11 | 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 |  |
|  | 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 | 140.3 | 87.21 | 117.1 |
|  | June | 103.78P | 139.4 P | 86.17 P | 115.7P |
|  | July . |  |  |  |  |
|  | Aug. . |  |  |  |  |
|  | Sept. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Oct. . |  |  |  |  |
|  | Nov. . |  |  |  |  |
|  | Dec. ... |  |  |  |  |

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 44.

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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
$(1935-39=100)$


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 |

[^13]TABLE 15. Average Retall Feed Prices for Canada and Five Geographical Areas First of the Month Prices - Dollars per cut

| Item | Canada |  |  | Maritimes |  |  | Quebec |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | August 1967 | August 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 |
| dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corn, cracked | 3.76 | 3.75 | 4.10 | 4.22 | 4.12 | 4.74 | 3.58 | 3.62 | 3.98 |
| Oats, unground | 3.48 | 3.50 | 3.43 | 3.70 | 3.67 | 3.56 | 3.50 | 3.52 | 3.51 |
| Barley, ground | 3.36 | 3.40 | 3.45 | 3.73 | 3.72 | 3.72 | 3.39 | 3.41 | 3.55 |
| Wheat, unground | 3.88 | 3.89 | 3.95 | 4.20 | 4.18 | 4.29 | 3.85 | 3.84 | 3.98 |
| Bran ........... | 3.27 | 3.38 | 3.53 | 3.21 | 3.30 | 3.57 | 3.18 | 3.29 | 3.54 |
| Shorts | 3.39 | 3.48 | 3.62 | 3.32 | 3.31 | 3.62 | 3.28 | 3.39 | 3.63 |
| Middlings | 3.53 | 3.61 | 3.83 | 3.41 | 3.55 | 3.93 | 3.49 | 3.56 | 3.86 |
| Linseed oil meal | 5.97 | 5.95 | 5.86 | 6.64 | 6.62 | 6.39 | 5.88 | 5.86 | 5.84 |
| Soybean oil meal ............ | 6.58 | 6.50 | 6.48 | 7.89 | 7.75 | 7.23 | 6.58 | 6.51 | 6.55 |
| Calf starter (20-24\%) ....... | 5.60 | 5.62 | 5.61 | 5.66 | 5.63 | 5.61 | 5.32 | 5.35 | 5.31 |
| Dairy ration (16\%) .......... | 4.04 | 4.04 | 4.06 | 4.20 | 4.19 | 4.15 | 4.04 | 4.03 | 4.10 |
| Dairy supplement (24\%) (East) | 4.88 | 4.89 | 4.92 | 4.66 | 4.68 | 4.89 | 4.94 | 4.93 | 4.89 |
| Daity supplement ( $32 \%$ ) (West) | 5.42 | 5.44 | 5.39 | . 6 | . | . | 4.94 | 4.93 | 4.89 |
| Pig starter mash ............ | 5.33 | 5.35 | 5.49 | 5.28 | 5.30 | 5.51 | 5.38 | 5.37 | 5.52 |
| Hog concentrate ( $35 \%$ ) | 6.88 | 6.85 | 6.82 | 7.45 | 7.45 | 7.45 | 6.94 | 6.87 | 6.94 |
| Hog grower mash ............. | 4.23 | 4.25 | 4.32 | 4.50 | 4.51 | 4.52 | 4.27 | 4.27 | 4.36 |
| Chick starter mash ( $18-20 \%$ ) | 5.48 | 5.49 | $5.56$ | 5.73 | $5.66$ | $5.94$ | $5.33$ | $5.40$ | $5.58$ |
| Growing mash | 4.78 | 4.79 | 4.88 | 4.80 | 4.79 | 4.92 | 4.89 | 4.87 | 5.05 |
| Laying mash (17-20\%) ........ | 4.82 | 4.82 | 4.90 | 5.12 | 5.11 | 5.18 | 4.90 | 4.90 | 5.03 |
| Broiler starter mash (20-23\%) | 5.54 | 5.53 | 5.66 | 6.13 | 6.08 | 6.02 | 5.51 | 5.52 | 5.76 |
| Turnty gr wifley nash . . | 5.31 | 5.29 | 5.36 | 5.68 | 5.68 | 5.65 | 5.59 | 5.60 | 5.58 |
|  | Ontario |  |  | Pratries |  |  | British Columbia |  |  |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Augus t } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1967 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ju1y } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 | August 1968 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ju1y } \\ & 1968 \end{aligned}$ | August 1967 |
|  | dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corn, cracked | 3.50 | 3.49 | 3.85 | 4.80 | 4.78 | 4.62 | 4.45 | 4.49 | 4.61 |
| Oats, unground | 3.48 | 3.51 | 3.46 | 2.73 | 2.71 | $2.71$ | $3.87$ | 3.87 | 3.65 |
| Barley, ground. | 3.39 | 3.46 | 3.54 | 2.65 | 2.68 | 2.70 | 3.67 | 3.64 | 3.52 |
| Wheat, unground | 3.93 | 3.94 | 3.96 | 3.25 | 3.26 | 3.37 | 4.16 | 4.18 | 4.11 |
| Bran | 3.21 | 3.37 | 3.52 | 3.51 | 3.53 | 3.47 | 3.34 | 3.40 | 3.61 |
| Shorts | 3.37 | 3.53 | 3.63 | 3.53 | 3.54 | 3.52 | 3.49 | 3.56 | 3.70 |
| Middlings | 3.56 | 3.64 | 3.82 | 3.70 | 3.70 | 3.48 | 3.64 | 3.87 | 3.93 |
| Linseed ofl meal | 5.81 | 5.79 | 5.65 | 5.92 | 5.90 | 5.81 | 6.44 | 6.44 | 6.47 |
| Soybean oil meal .... | 6.19 | 6.10 | 6.16 | 7.15 | 7.10 | 6.67 | 6.82 | 6.69 | 6.88 |
| Calf starter (20-24\%) ....... | 5.84 | 5.85 | 5.82 | 5.40 | 5.38 | 5.39 | 5.98 | 6.02 | 6.14 |
| Dairy ration ( $16 \%$ ) .......... | 4.00 | 4.02 | 4.05 | 3.77 | 3.78 | 3.77 | 4.28 | 4.24 | 4.20 |
| Dairy supplement ( $24 \%$ ) ...... | 4.76 | 4.80 | 4.81 | - | - | - | - | 4.24 | - |
| Dairy supplement (32\%) ..... | . | 4.80 | 4.81 | 5.40 | 5.39 | 5.33 | 5.87 | 6.10 | 6.06 |
| Pig starter mash ... | 5.36 | 5.45 | 5.62 | 5.45 | 5.43 | 5.54 | 4.86 | 4.80 | 4.77 |
| Hog concentrate ( $35 \%$ ) ....... | 6.92 | 6.87 | 6.84 | 6.60 | 6.65 | 6.49 | 6.78 | 6.70 | 6.93 |
| Hog grower mash ........... | 4.21 | 4.27 | 4.36 | 3.79 | 3.81 | 3.90 | 4.50 | 4.48 | 4.40 |
| Chick starter mash (18-20\%) | 5.72 | 5.70 | 5.82 | 5.21 | 5.22 | 5.19 | 5.63 | 5.60 | 5.47 |
| Growing mash | 4.86 | 4.89 | 4.94 | 4.36 | 4.37 | 4.48 | 5.00 | 4.97 | 4.93 |
| laying mash ( $17-20 \%$ ) ........ | 4.81 | 4.82 | 4.92 | 4.49 | 4.50 | 4.56 | 4.95 | 4.91 | 4.82 |
| 3soiler starter mash (20-23\%) | 5.66 | 5.66 | 5.84 | 5.43 | 5.42 | 5.42 | 5.58 | 5.52 | 5.68 |
| Nurkey growing mash ........ | 5.57 | 5.53 | 5.57 | 4.80 | 4.79 | 4.99 | 5.32 | 5.33 | 5.35 |

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

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Priccs
$(1956=100)$

Investors index

|  | Current number of stocks | Inves tors (1) total $(114)$ | Total <br> indus - <br> trials $(80)$ | Indus - <br> trial <br> mines <br> (4) | Foods (11) | Bever ages <br> (7) | Textiles and clothing <br> (5) | Pulp and paper $\qquad$ (7) | Printing and publishing <br> (4) | Primary metals <br> (8) | Metal fabricating <br> (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. ...... | 180.8 | 187.9 | 195.1 | 230.8 | 277.8 | 152.5 | 107.3 | 675.6 | 91.2 | 123.9 |
|  | Sept. ...... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Oct. ....... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Nov. . . . . . . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Weekly index:

| Aug. | 1 | 178.2 | 185.2 | 191.4 | 230.1 | 273.9 | 147.3 | 105.4 | 672.9 | 92.6 | 125.6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug. | 8 | 180.3 | 187.3 | 195.3 | 225.1 | 273.0 | 152.6 | 108.0 | 674.5 | 91.1 | 126.2 |
| Aug. | 15 | 181. 3 | 188.4 | 198.4 | 230.0 | 277.1 | 152.8 | 106.4 | 684.9 | 91.5 | 123.2 |
| Aug. | 22 | 181.8 | 188.9 | 196.8 | 235.1 | 280.6 | 149.4 | 107.9 | 673.7 | 90.0 | 121.5 |
| Aug. | 29 | 182.6 | 189.5 | 193.4 | 233.8 | 284.4 | 160.6 | 108.9 | 672.1 | 90.8 | 122.8 |

[^14]Investors index

|  | Current number of stocks | Nonmetallic minerals <br> (4) | Petroleum <br> (7) | Chemi cals <br> (4) | Con-struction <br> (4) | Retail trade <br> (6) | Total utilities (20) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pipe- } \\ & \text { line } \end{aligned}$ <br> (5) | Trans -portation <br> (4) | Telephone <br> (3) | Elec-tricpower <br> (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 | - Jen. | 130.2 | 141.0 | 134.4 | 65.0 | 243.4 | 156.0 | 161.6 | 187.6 | 115.2 | 131.9 |
|  | Tab. | 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 |
|  | Sr. | 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 | $308.6$ | $166.5$ | $179.8$ | $197.1$ | $106.8$ |  |
|  | Aug. . . | 109.7 | 183.4 | 112.8 | 88.0 | 306.9 | 164.9 | 181.2 | 197.9 | 104.2 | 126.1 |
|  | Sept. .. <br> oct. ... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Nov. . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Weekly index:

| Ang. | 1 | $\ldots \ldots$ | 110.0 | 174.9 | 112.5 | 85.1 | 305.9 | 162.1 | 175.2 | 191.2 | 104.8 | 124.8 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ang. | 8 | $\ldots$ | 108.3 | 183.6 | 112.0 | 86.7 | 302.8 | 164.5 | 181.9 | 195.7 | 104.1 | 124.1 |
| Ang. | 15 | $\ldots$ | 111.1 | 183.6 | 111.8 | 86.7 | 299.5 | 165.3 | 181.2 | 199.8 | 104.0 | 126.9 |
| Aug. | 22 | $\ldots$ | 109.0 | 185.5 | 112.0 | 88.5 | 313.9 | 165.6 | 182.0 | 200.5 | 103.4 | 127.3 |
| Ang. $29 \ldots \ldots$ | 110.0 | 189.6 | 115.7 | 92.9 | 312.2 | 167.1 | 185.9 | 202.2 | 104.5 | 127.6 |  |  |

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

| Current number of stocks |  | Investors index |  |  |  | Mining index |  |  | Supplemen taryindexes |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Gas dis -tribution (5) | Total finance (14) | Banks (6) | Investment and loan (8) $\qquad$ | Total mining <br> (24) | Golds (13) | Base metals <br> (11) | Uraniums <br> (6) | Primary oils and gas <br> (6) | Preferred stocks (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 |  |  | 163.2 |  | 276.5 |  | 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. | 407.0 | 167.3 | 175.2 | 151.3 | 107.7 | 154.5 | 82.0 | 258.9 | 218.2 | 78.7 |
|  | Sept. .. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Oct. ... Nov. . . . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Dec. . . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Weekly index:

| Aug. | 1 | $\ldots$ | 399.7 | 164.8 | 174.0 | 146.5 | 105.8 | 153.2 | 79.9 | 256.2 | 200.5 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Aug. | 8 | $\ldots$ | 408.7 | 166.5 | 176.3 | 147.1 | 105.7 | 151.5 | 80.6 | 260.7 | 212.7 |
| Aug. | 15 | $\ldots$ | 407.1 | 167.2 | 175.2 | 151.2 | 107.3 | 153.7 | 81.9 | 259.0 | 218.5 |
| Aug. $22 \ldots$ | 409.5 | 168.5 | 176.1 | 153.3 | 109.6 | 157.2 | 83.5 | 258.4 | 229.1 |  |  |
| Aug. $29 \ldots$. | 409.9 | 169.3 | 174.6 | 158.6 | 110.0 | 157.0 | 84.3 | 260.4 | 230.0 |  |  |

[^15]TABLE 17. Base-weighted Highway Construction Price Indexes A11-items and Major Components, Combined Annually, $1956-66$ ( $1956=100$ )

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

|  | A11-items | Major components |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Grading | Gramular 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-welghted Highway Construction All-items Price Indexes For Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbla, Annually, 1956-66(1)

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

|  | Newfoundland | Nova Scotia | New Brunswick | Ontario | Manitoba | Saskatchewam | 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 |
| 13¢0 | 91.6 | 102.9 | 96.9 | 79.9 | 87.4 | 69.1 | 79.8 |
| 1:41 | 73.4 | 86.9 | 100.1 | 74.5 | 75.1 | 65.6 | 70.2 |
| $195:$ | 80.1 | 85.3 | 99.4 | 82.1 | 81.2 | 64.5 | 66.9 |
| 1263 | 74.2 | 83.3 | 102.3 | 94.3 | 90.3 | 67.4 | 68.0 |
| 134 | 80.0 | 83.8 | 103.8 | 92.1 | 92.9 | 76.6 | 74.5 |
| 1) 19 | 88.2 | 101.6 | 103.3 | 107.3 | 100.2 | 94.7 | 89.7 |
| 1365 | 95.7 | 100.8 | 103.8 | 117.3 | 114.9 | 110.2 | 91.0 |
| 1967 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1968 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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

TABLE 19. Price Indexes of Electric Utility Distribution Systems, Transmission Lines and Transformation and Switching Stations, Canada, Annually 1956-67 (1)
(1961=1.00)

|  | Distribution systems |  |  | Transmission lines |  | Transformation switching stat |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Construction | Equipment | Total | Total | Structures and <br> Improvements | Equipment |
| 1956 | 95.1 | 92.7 | 100.4 | 92.1 | 115.2 | 110.1 | 127.9 |
| 1957 | 96.5 | 91.9 | 106.6 | 94.4 | 118.1 | 105.6 | 132.6 |
| 1958 | 93.2 | 93.5 | 92.5 | 95.7 | 109.0 | 101.3 | 118.4 |
| 1959 | 96.8 | 96.3 | 97.9 | 97.0 | 11.3 .5 | 102.6 | 123.2 |
| 1960 | 100.3 | 98.5 | 104.3 | 98.9 | 109.8 | 103.3 | 115.7 |
| 1961 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1962 | 101.9 | 102.5 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 104.5 | 102.6 | $\text { 105. } 1$ |
| 1963 | 102.5 | 105.2 | $96.4$ | 102.3 | 107.2 | $109.0$ | $106.7$ |
| 1964 | 104.6 | 107.8 | 97.6 | 102.7 | $111.7$ | $113.1$ | $111.5$ |
| 1965 | 107.1 | 112.4 | 95.4 | 108.5 | 118.7 | 124.4 | 117.9 |
| 1966 | 112.4 | 118.5 | 98.8 | 113.0 | $123.7$ | $131.4$ | $122.1$ |
| 1967 | 117.4 | 125.2 | 99.7 | 118.6 | 120.1 | $124.2$ | 114.1 |
| 1069 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $15^{\circ} 0$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

[^16]
# Explanation of Mechods Used and Additional Sources for Price Series 

## Industrial 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 inventaries, to name a few, which also conform to the Standard Industrial Classification. Thus, Industry Seling Price Indexes have a clearly defined conceptual basis which fits into a comon 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. 62-51S

## General Wholesale Index $(1.935-39=1.00)$

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 comodity distribution which excludes nnly 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 sumary 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. Howevar, its mif: attribute now lies in its long historical continuity.

For further details about the General tholesale Index please consult: Wholesale Price Indexes 1913-50 (k. critata 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 Comodities 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 co "price Index Numbers of Comodities 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 0 ats 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. Intial and final payments recently included in the fadex are shown the following Table.


## Recurit: 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 dally total sales. The price reference basa for the indexes is the year 1956 which has been adopted as an interim hame for tocenthy devalopet ibs indexes. The indexes express prices as a percentage of prices in 1956

Revised indexes on the base $1956=100$ were first presented in the June 1968 issme of this pathlication. The most important change in the revision of the index, apart from the shift in the prica 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, Beverngea, Textile 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 previona 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 outatanting.

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, Machean-Huntan: Fublishing Co. Ltd. changed its name to MacLean-Yunter Ltd., Canada Iron Foundries changed its narn to Banron Ltd., and Stanrock Uranium Mines Ltd, was introduced into the Uraniums index to replace Gunnar tining Ltd., Lorado Uranium Mines Ltd., and Rayrocks Mines Ltd. In July, Montreal Locomotive Works Itd. changed its name to MLW - Worthington Ltd, and Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines Ltd. (see belaw) became Hollinger Mines Ltd. In August, Canada Packers Ltd. "B" changed its name to Canada Packers Ltr.

New companies that were added to the Golds sub-group as a result of a reviston of the Mining index components, effective June 6, 1968 are Aunor Gold Mines Ltd., Campbell Red Lake Mines Ltd., Macassa cold 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 Lita. . Northgate Exploration Ltd., Opemiska Copper Mines (Quebec) Ltd., and United Asbestos Corp. Ltd., rdplacing Campbell Chibougamau Mines Ltd., Craigmont Mines Ltd., Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Go. Litt. . New Calumet Mines Ltd., Pine Point Mines Ltd., United Keno Hill Mines Lat. and filk:Dy winas yti.

## The Residential and Non-Residential Building Materials Price Indewas

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

The residential building materials index in Table 6 is calculated on the base $1935-39=100$, and using weights derived from the estimated material requirement for a national housing target for the year 1946, contains a total materials index for residential buildings, together with indeses for what
 metically to the base 1949=100 for easier comparison with other series.

The non-residential building materials index, which appears in Table $\bar{i}$, measures prite cimgo for materials used in non-residential building construction. This index is calculated on the basa 1949-100 with weights derived from cost data provided by general and trade contractors for a sampte. 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 woighting patterns and time bases have been left as described above. The new prices have been selecsad from the industry classified system of prices shown in Table 2 of this publication entitled "Industry Selling Price Indexes". For the latter indexes, prices collected are manufacturers' prices, f.o.b. plant with discounts to the largest class of customer removed; freight and taxe:s are achuded, Jeders? 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 comodities included in 1966 have been revised following consultation with industry specialists, to produce a shorter but more efficient sample of commonly-used commoditics. Greater regional coverage has been sought with a view to ultimately publishing as many regional commodity price indexes as possible. Also, a programe of experimental pricing is underway to determine tho 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 Indexes. Also, the treatment of price discontinuities is handled in the same manner as described in the reference paper for the Industry Selling Price Indexes 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. A table showing the items used and their percentage weights, can be found in the Explanatory Notes section of the Feb. issue of Prices and Price Indexes.

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

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

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

## 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. Baseweighted indexes are published annually and measure, through time, the effect of price change on the cost of specific programes 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 programes, 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 progranme 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 biditem, 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, 196?.
(2) There may be a considerable time lag between the letting of the contract and the completion of the job.

# PRICE INDFXFS OF ELECTRIC UTILITY CONSTRUCTION 

T)istribution Systems<br>Transmission Lines<br>Transformation \& Switching Stations

In electric utility terms, the index is designed to provide an estimate of the impact of price change on the cost of materials, labour and equipment used in constructing and equipping electric utilities in a specified base period. The index provides an estimate of how much more, or less it would cost to reproduce the base-period programe of construction in another period, using the same construction technology as in the base period and assuming rates of profit and productivity in construction are the same in both periods.

As the market does not yield comparable selling prices for such unique transactions as, for example, the sale of a transmission line, it was not possible to produce an index of the prices of completed structures. Completed structure indexes would be appropriate for users wishing either to estimate reproduction costs or to deflate capital formation. For such uses the indexes introduced in this publication have specific shortcomings. Nonetheless, they may be helpful for such purposes provided the users understand the deficiencies. Thus the reader is asked to make particular note of Section III, of DBS Occasional Paper 62-526 Capital Expenditures Price Indexes - The Necessity for Compromise and Section XI, (of the same paper) Uses and Limitations. In addition, because particular construction projects are unique, the aggregate indexes will not likely be appropriate to specific projects since they relate to an average mix of materials, labour and equipment derived from a variety of projects in a specific base period. Thus, if the component price indexes and their weights included in the aggregate index presented herein are inappropriate for a particular purpose the user should consider selecting appropriate component indexes from among those published herein. These indexes Qould then be combined into an aggregate index by utilizing weights derived from the projects or assets Eo be costod or deflated.

Q:ices used in the indexes are for the most part selling prices reported monthly by manufacturers for materials or equipment. The price reported is for units and terms of sale representative of the volume sales of the manufacturer. Where sales to electric utilities form a small share of the total sales of the manufacturer, the price reported may not adequately represent the price to the construction trade and others directly involved in constructing and equipping electric utility facilities. In such cases, prices charged other manufacturers or wholesalers have been included in the index. Federal sales tax changes are reflected in the index but no adjustments have been made for provincial tax changes. Until December 1964 wage rate data were supplied by the Federal Department of Labour and represented minimum hourly rates paid to construction workers in major cities employed on federal goverment contracts. In 1965 union 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 urban own account and contract electric utility construction. Some further improvements will be made to improve the coverage relating to rural non-union work for transmission lines.

Construction has been defined as new construction or major reconstruction for distribution systems, transmission lines and transformation or switching stations. Maintenance and operating costs are excluded. Cost data were supplied by major utilities, relating to own account and to contract construction erected during the last half of the $1950^{\prime}$ s. Weights were derived from these data which indicated the relative importance of the major inputs to the construction. The components of cost relating to distribution and transmission facilities encompass such items as poles, hardware, conductors, insulators, meters, distribution transformers and expenditures for labour, e.g. - linemen and groundmen. Costs relating to construction equipment such as trucks, and components of equipment operating costs such as tires, gasoline and repairs were also included. Transformation and switching stations encompass some of the items listed above but the most important elements of cost relate to transformers and switching equipment. Expenditures for land and rights-of-way have been excluded.

The term Canadian electric utility has been defined to include municipal as well as nonmicipal utilities but the majority of the cost data tabulated was derived from the major nonmunicipal itilities. Manufacturers who produce electricity for their own use and who may also sell electricity have been excluded from the cost survey.

## Retail Price Index 0

## Consumer Price I:

The Consumer Price Index w: s constructed to replace the cost-at-i,ivinis Iadex and whs firs: pablished 0etabor 23 , 1952, on time bage $1949=100$ and weights based on family expenditure patterns of 1947-43. A revision of the consumer Prich 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 thia latest revision was to bring the items included in the index, and their weights, inta 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 messurable market price over time, corresponding to a specific quantity of the item, are included in the basket.

The index relates to broad but specific group of urban families and reflects the price changes experienced by that "Larget 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, famlly size and place of residence sre 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 duríng 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 familles, 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 (1949a 100) - Revision Based on 1957 Expenditurea'", DBS Catslogue 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, SaskatoonRegina, 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 indexea 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 meaaure the influence of changes in retail prices caking place in the localitics specifiad, upon the cost of a fixad
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 This fact may be illustrated by reference to temperature changes occurring in two citics. Suppose that in city A the tempernture 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 temperacure 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 comparstive levels of temperature.

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Changing consumer price levels affect the amounts of goods and services which a follat 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 $\$ 90.91$ ( $100.00 / 110.0 x$ 100.0), which may be referred to as a weekly wage average for week B expressed ir che dollars of period $A$, or it may be said to indicate the level of real weekly wages relative bo 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 wases (1-10.00/80.00×100.0).

It should be noted that while the estimates of average real wages may reflect the experiences at groups of workers fairly well, their applicability to individual wage-earners depends upon a anmber 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. Groupspending patrerns change over periods of time. To the extent that this occurs, the earnings data ajjusted by the consumer price index (which has a "fixed" consumption pattern), will gradually be rerdered 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 consump:ion patterns.

It should also be kept in mind that measures of change in real earnings calculated fom 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.

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 comodities 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 citles 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 Winipeg and 10 other major Canadian cities with sufficient reliability. These have been calculated annully 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 praduce 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 co 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 tems of Winnipeg $=100$, the selection of Wimins: hs :hus in no significance, and the indexes may be expressed on the base of any of the eleven cities incluciul.

## Reference Papers and Special Publications



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

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[^0]:    (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 detalls of Western grain prices.

[^1]:    (1) See footnote following Table 2.

    Figures not available.

[^2]:    (1) See footnote following Table 2.

[^3]:    (1) See footnote following Table 2.

[^4]:     (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. Y Revised figures.

[^5]:    (1) Prices prior to December 1967 are based on New York spot conmnity anatet.
    (2) Prices prior to August 1968 refer to $40^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{w} .71 / 8 \mathrm{oz}$. yd.

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[^6]:    (1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to rovision.
    (2) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41.

[^7]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^8]:    Sec footnotes at end of table.

[^9]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^10]:    (1) Includes oranges and orange juice, grapefruit, bananas, grapes, canned pineapple, raisins, tea and coffee.
    (2) $1957=100$. (3) Includes television and radio.

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[^12]:    (1) 1957 weights repiace 1947-48 weights beginning February 1962.
    (2) The system of variable weights for seasomal foods was revised bugimins pobramy 1362 .

[^13]:    (1) 1968 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

[^14]:    (1) Mining stocks are not included in Investors index.

[^15]:    .. Figures not available.

[^16]:    T) Major component and item indexes were presented in the July 1968 issue of Prices and Price Indexes.

