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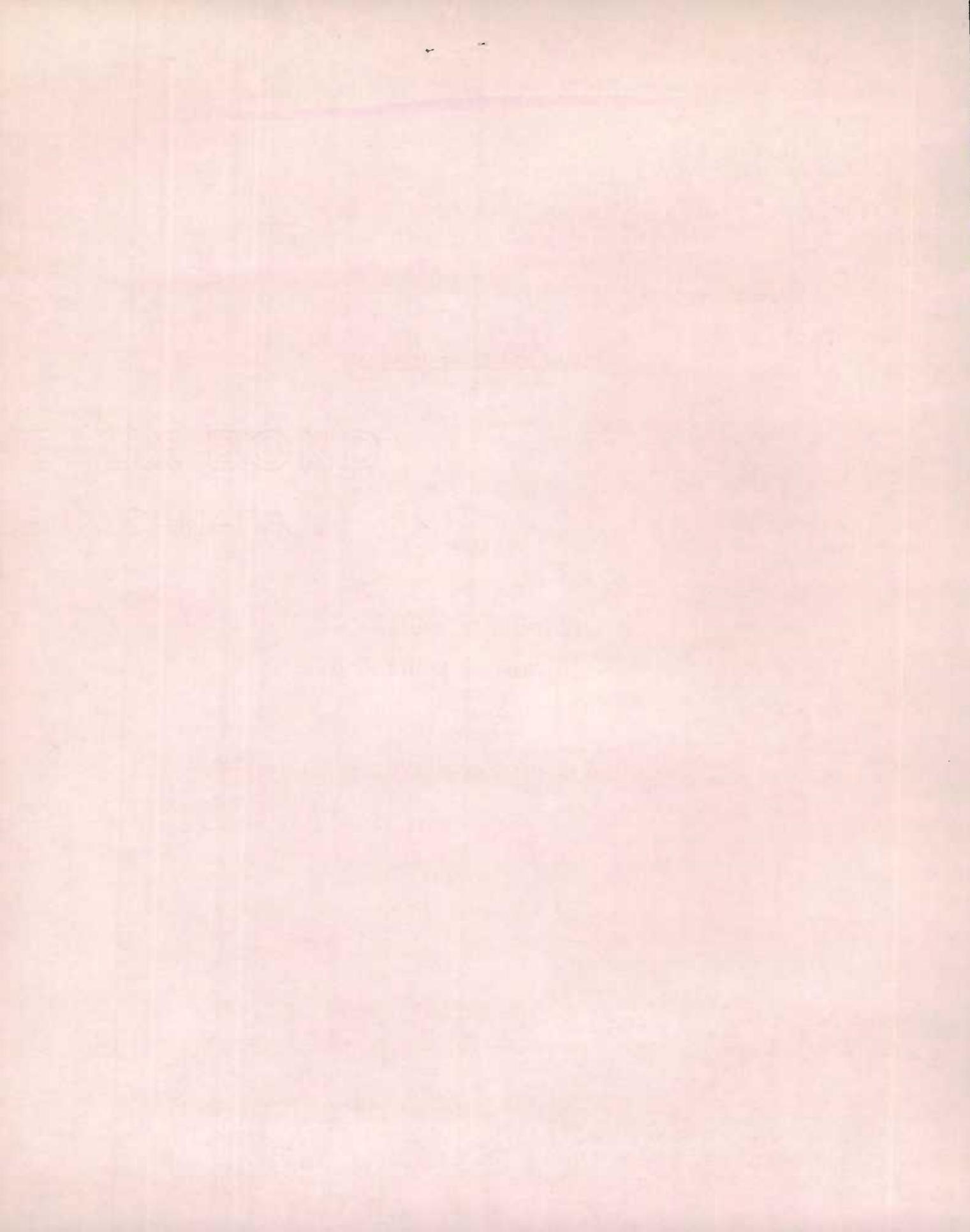
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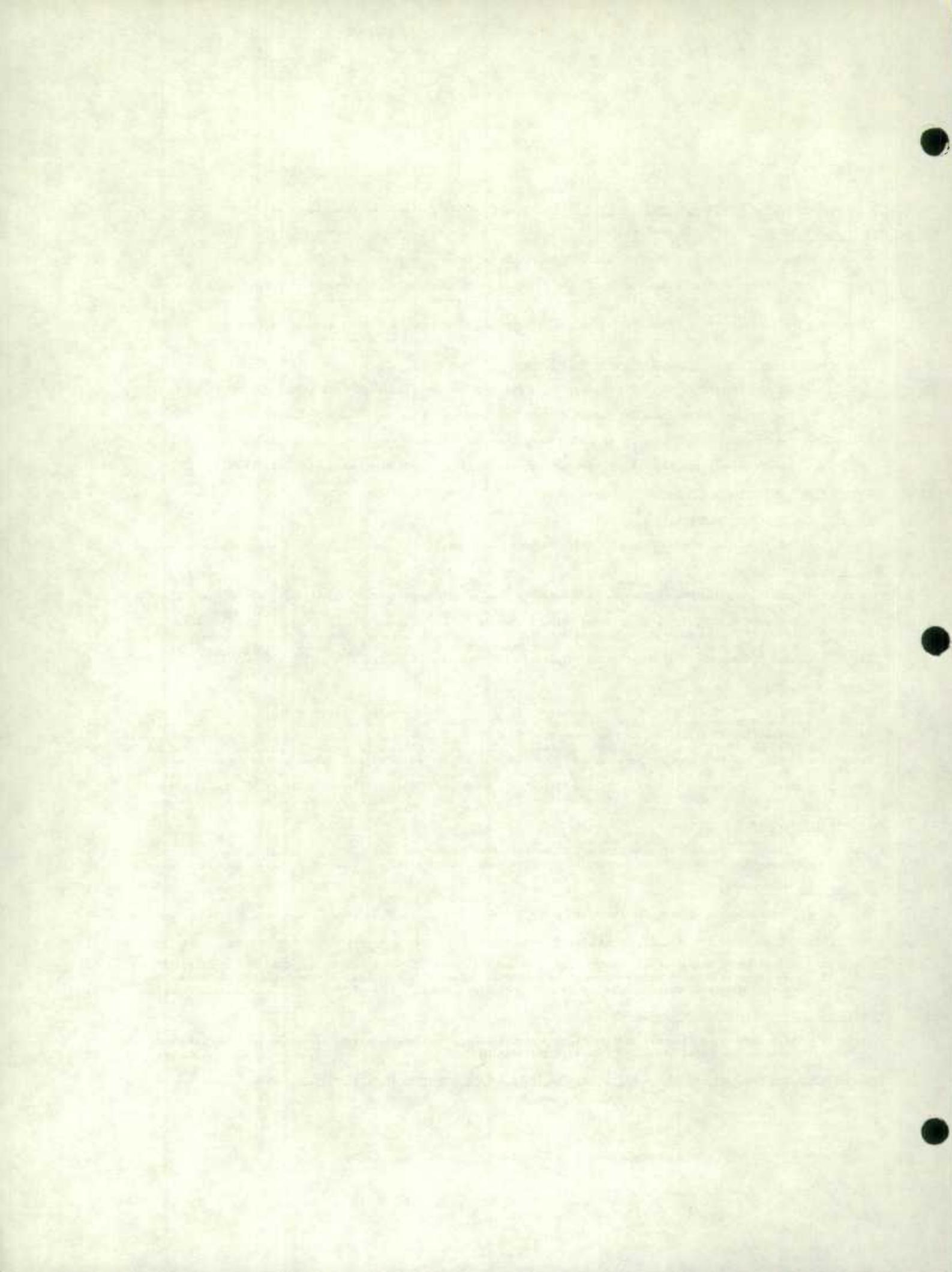
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Conversion of the Consumer Price Index to a 1961 Time Base

It is customary among producers of retail price indexes to update the base reference year periodically, to bring more recent price movements into sharper focus and improve their meaningfulness for current analysis. Historically, retail price indexes in Canada have related in turn to the base periods 1900, 1913, 1926, 1935-39 and 1949. In moving to the new 1961 time base, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics is adhering to its previous practice of introducing revised reference bases at suitable intervals.

A time base should conform as closely as possible to those of other series with which comparisons are normally made. In the case of the Consumer Price Index, comparisons are regularly made with other indexes such as those of wages and salaries, employment and real domestic product. Most of these series have been or are being converted to a common 1961 base. The selection of the reference year 1961 for updating of the Consumer Price Index is therefore consistent with the general DBS policy of adopting common time bases for associated indicators wherever feasible.

While it has been customary for previous Consumer Price Index time base revisions to be accompanied by changes in the content and relative importance of the items to be priced, in this instance the "basket" of goods and services based on 1957 family expenditure patterns of the "target group" has and will be retained until recent family expenditure data can be evaluated and the effect of revised weighting patterns determined.

Conversion Method

The conversion to the 1961 base period is essentially an arithmetic process in which each price index calculated on a 1949 base is divided by its 1961 average index and multiplied by 100. For example, the December 1968 All-Items Consumer Price Index on the 1949 base is 158.0. When this figure is divided by the 1961 annual average All-Items index of 129.2 and multiplied by 100 (see Method A below) a new converted index of 122.3 is obtained on a 1961 base. The updated December 1968 index indicates an increase in retail prices of 22.3 per cent since 1961:

Method A

December 1968 C.P.I. on 1949 base 158.0

Annual 1961 C.P.I. on 1949 base 129.2

December 1968 C.P.I. on 1961 base: $\frac{158.0}{129.2} \times 100 = 122.3$

The same results are obtained by dividing the 1961 index into 100 in order to obtain a conversion factor which can then be applied to the complete 1949 based series:

Method B

$$\frac{100}{129.2} \times 158.0 = .77399 \times 158.0 = 122.3$$

Method B is the procedure actually employed by DBS. When the conversion factor of .77399 is applied to the 1961 index on the 1949 base the result is the index on the new base.

The effect on the Consumer Price Index of conversion to a 1961 time base is illustrated graphically in Chart 1, Page vii. Movements of the CPI on the two bases are compared through the period 1949 to 1968. The indexes are seen to follow identical courses separated by a constant factor, namely the percentage difference between the two series in 1961. The index on the 1961 base records the same percentage price movements at a lower level on the index scale because the year 1961 has been equated with 100.0 as compared with the year 1949 for the other series.

In the same manner as the All-Items Consumer Price Index is converted to a 1961 base, each component of the index is divided by its average for the year 1961 in order to establish a base-year figure of 100.0. Consequently, regardless of index levels attained by individual components on the old base, in the year 1961 all are equated at 100.0 in the new index. Subsequent movements of the component indexes, therefore, are more clearly indicative of the relative magnitudes and direction of price changes in the years since 1961. A comparative ranking of index levels for major components of the CPI before and after conversion illustrates how the index on the 1961 base reveals clearly and directly relative rates of price increase since 1961, i.e., the more recent movements of component prices and their relative magnitudes.

Ranking of C.P.I. Component Index Levels

	On 1961 Base		On 1949 Base	
	Rank	1968 Index	Rank	1968 Index
Health and Personal Care	1	127.4	1	197.9
Food	2	122.0	5	151.3
Clothing	3	121.1	7	136.3
Tobacco and Alcohol	4	120.4	6	140.1
Recreation and Reading	5	119.7	2	175.0
Housing	6	118.6	4	158.0
Transportation	7	114.7	3	161.3

The effect of the time-base revision on C.P.I. component indexes is further illustrated in Charts 2A and 2B on Pages viii and ix. The former compares the relative movements of the Food, Clothing and Housing indexes before and after conversion, while the latter rounds out the picture with a similar comparison for the other major components. In Chart 2A, the Food, Clothing and Housing indexes on the 1949 base are seen to be widely dispersed in 1961, the year selected as the base

for the revised index. The Housing index is above the All-items average with Food about the same distance below. Clothing, on the other hand, as a result of a series of declines between 1952 and 1956 is well down from the others, a relationship that continues up to the latest year.

The same indexes on the 1961 base show an entirely different interrelationship. Since all have been equal at 100.0 in the base year 1961, the dispersion noted in the earlier series has largely disappeared because it occurred before 1961. With the effect of price changes prior to 1961 removed, the index movements now bring into clearer focus the price relationships which have obtained over the eight years from 1961. During this period, the Food and Clothing indexes have tended to exceed the rate of increase registered by the CPI total. In the same period the Housing index has dropped to a level below the All-items average.

Much the same story is depicted in Chart 2B. An interesting fact pointed up by the chart is that the Transportation index, which was previously among the higher CPI component indexes, now ranks at the bottom. Health and Personal Care, on the other hand, continues to record a more accelerated rate of increase since 1961 than any other major Consumer Price Index component.

Calculation of Future Price Indexes on a 1961 Base

The official Consumer Price Index from January 1969 forward will be published on the base 1961=100. Because there has been no change in weighting patterns reflecting the content and relative importance of items in the CPI, the new series presents the same movements which would have appeared in a 1949 series. Although price movements are being recorded on a different measurement scale the percentage changes reflected in the figures will be equivalent to those obtained on the previous scale. The point scale, however, which is a consistent form of measurement only in relation to comparisons with base year levels, will no longer be comparable.

Historical Indexes on a 1961 Base

A representative selection of Canada and Regional City consumer price indexes on a 1961 time base is presented in this report for the period 1949-68. Additional indexes are available from the Prices Division on request.

The current historical series provides a continuous twenty-year record of consumer price changes in Canada. During this period of time, patterns of consumer expenditure have changed as have average levels of living and the types and quantities of goods and services purchased. The task of isolating pure price change from the many other elements that enter into total consumer expenditure is a difficult one. In view of the problems of maintaining continuity of price measurement over long periods of time an historical series must be evaluated in terms of what it really represents, i.e., a collection of monthly price comparisons which have been measured as accurately as possible and linked together to form the best available record of patterns of consumer price movement over the historical period.

As might be anticipated some uses of the index series are more acceptable than others. An analysis of rates of annual price change in the Consumer Price Index is likely to produce more meaningful results than a direct comparison of the price change between time periods as remote as 1949 and 1968. Nevertheless the latter remains a valid use of the series provided the user is aware of the limitations of the index and is prepared to accept an approximation which is likely to be less reliable for long-term than for short-term comparisons.

In interpreting the historical series it is necessary to distinguish between the inferences which may be drawn from the indexes which come before and after the base year of 1961. The 1968 indexes of 127.4 for Health and Personal Care and 121.1 for Clothing indicate directly that, since 1961, prices for these two main components have increased 27.4 per cent and 21.1 per cent, respectively. From these figures we are able to state that, over the eight-year period, health and personal care prices have gone up more rapidly than clothing prices; we can also infer from comparison with the All-items index rise of 20.1 per cent that these components are becoming more important contributors to the rise in the All-items index than they were in 1961, and also relative to the other major components.

When we turn to the year 1949 we find an index of 64.4 for Health and Personal Care and an index of 88.9 for Clothing. At first glance it might appear that the Clothing index was the higher of the two in that year and indeed higher than the All-items index which averaged 77.4. What in fact the indexes indicate is that between 1949 and 1961 the health and personal care price level went up 55.3 per cent while that for clothing went up only 12.5 per cent. As a result of the merging of the All-items and main component indexes in 1961, all indexes prior to the base year are shown in inverse relationship so that the lower the index in 1949 the more the increase between 1949 and 1961, and hence the higher the index in 1961 on the 1949 base. Consequently, to bring these indexes into better perspective for some forms of analysis, they should be converted to an earlier base year; or alternatively, the user should refer to indexes previously compiled on a more distant time base.

Users of the current historical series may encounter minor inconsistencies resulting from differences introduced in rounding. For example, an annual total may not always agree with the aggregate computed from the twelve monthly indexes. This is because each index is converted separately and when rounded to the nearest decimal may take on a slightly different value. These minor differences introduced in converting are non-cumulative and have no effect on index movements.

Consumer Price Indexes on 1949 Base

For the convenience of those requiring the Consumer Price Index for Canada on the 1949 base, the Canada All-items index will be included in monthly reports for an interim period. This index will be obtained by conversion of the corresponding index published on the 1961 base. While comparable indexes for Regional Cities and C.P.I. components will not be published beyond December 1968 the information will be available on request to the Prices Division, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

Application of the Consumer Price Index in Contractual Agreements

In many wage contracts, escalation clauses are negotiated on the basis of a wage increase of a specific number of cents per hour for each rise of a stated number of points in the Consumer Price Index. Since the Consumer Price Index point scale is a consistent yardstick only in relation to comparisons with the specified index base year any change in the base period automatically produces different point-scale values. As the percentage scale remains constant through each time base revision there would be fewer difficulties for contracting parties at time of index revision if the percentage-change formula were more generally employed. Should specific questions arise on this problem, further assistance may be obtained by writing to the Prices Division, D.B.S.

CHART - I

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CANADA
COMPARISON OF INDEXES ON A 1949 AND A 1961 TIME BASE

ANNUAL AVERAGES—1949 TO 1968

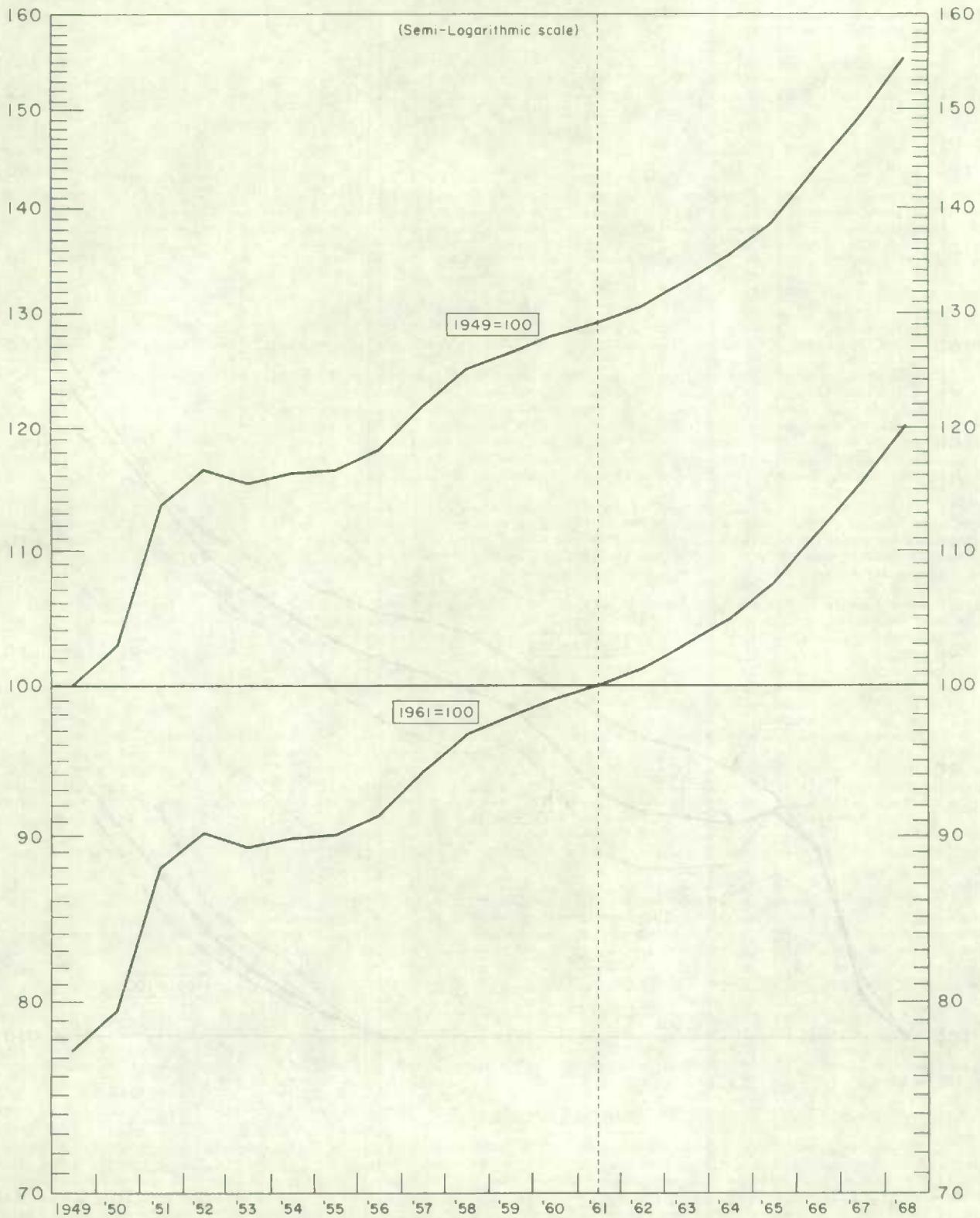


CHART - 2A

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CANADA AND SELECTED MAJOR COMPONENTS
COMPARISON OF INDEXES ON A 1949 AND A 1961 TIME BASE

ANNUAL AVERAGES - BASE YEARS TO 1968

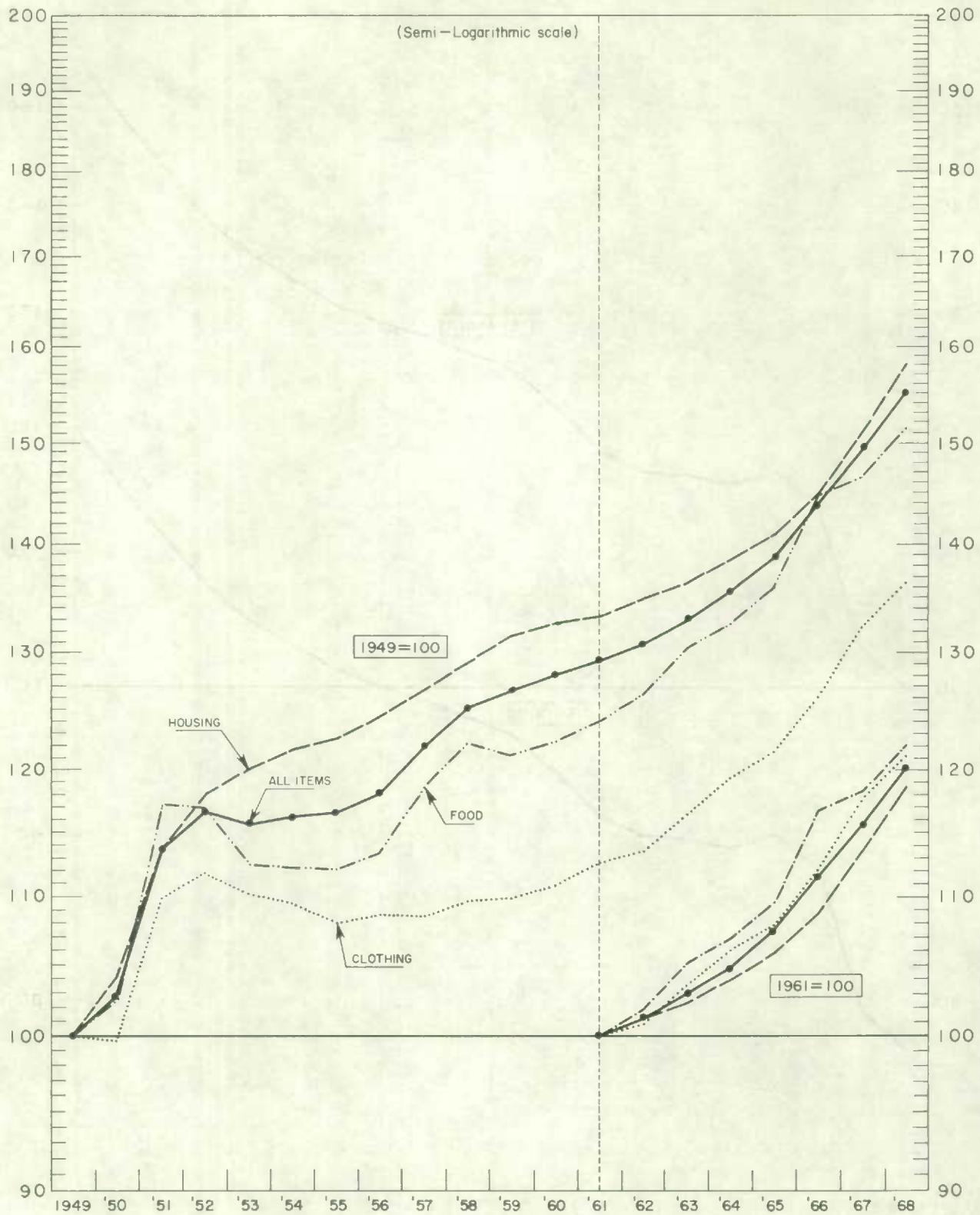


CHART - 2B

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CANADA AND SELECTED MAJOR COMPONENTS
COMPARISON OF INDEXES ON A 1949 AND A 1961 TIME BASE

ANNUAL AVERAGES—BASE YEARS TO 1968

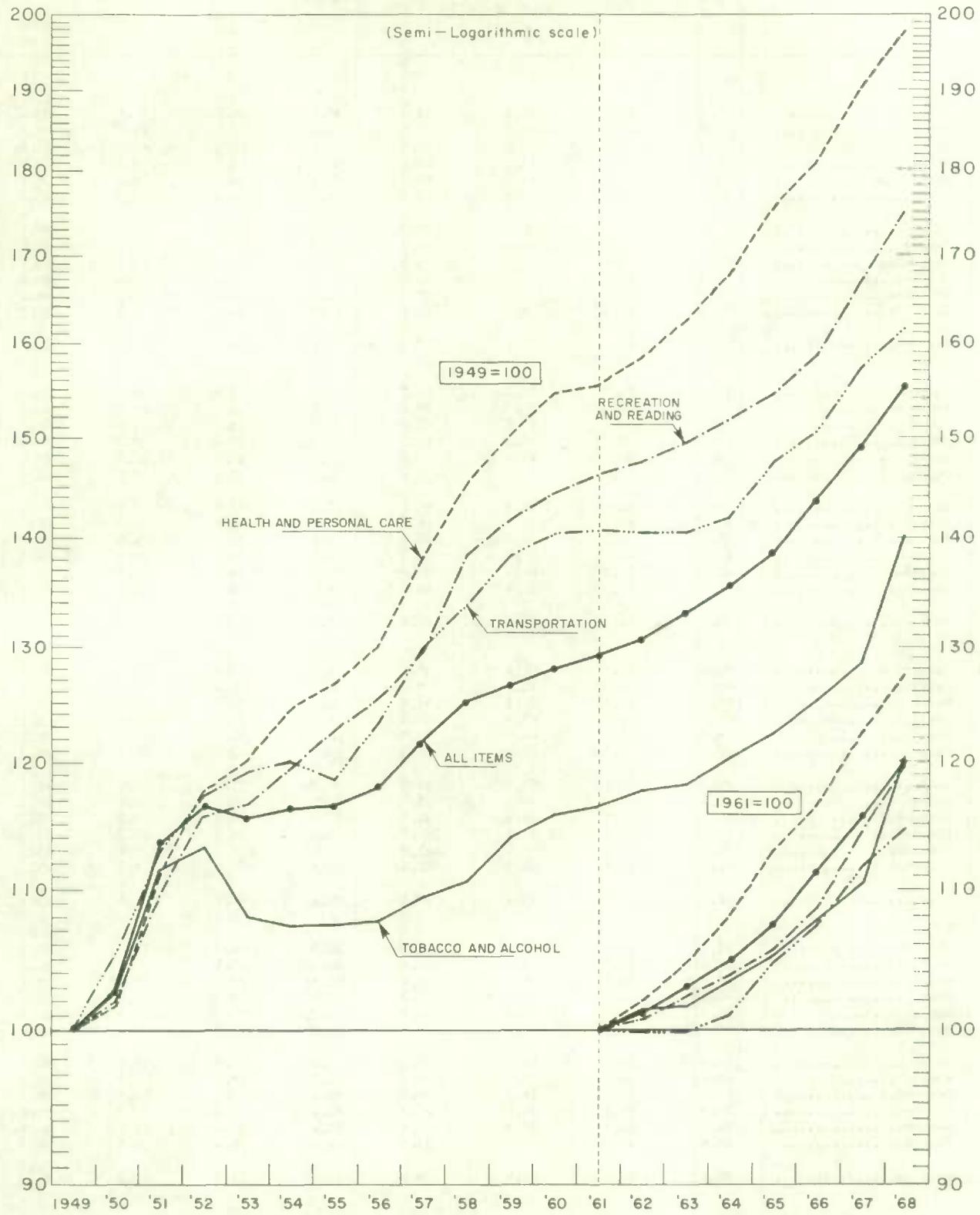


TABLE I. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Total and Main Components,
Monthly and Annually 1949-⁵³
1961=100

	All - items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1949 - January	77.2	81.3	74.8	88.6	69.8	64.2	67.9	85.0
February	77.2	80.4	74.9	88.6	69.8	64.2	68.5	86.0
March	76.9	79.6	74.8	88.9	69.8	64.5	68.4	86.0
April	76.9	79.1	75.0	89.1	69.8	64.5	68.4	86.0
May	76.8	79.0	74.9	89.2	70.4	64.5	68.5	86.1
June	77.1	80.0	74.8	89.2	70.4	64.4	68.5	86.1
July	77.4	80.8	75.1	89.2	70.5	64.4	68.5	86.1
August	77.7	81.7	75.0	89.0	70.7	64.4	68.6	86.1
September	77.7	81.6	75.1	89.1	70.7	64.4	68.6	86.1
October	77.9	81.3	75.5	88.7	73.3	64.4	68.5	86.1
November	78.2	82.2	75.5	88.6	73.5	64.4	68.5	86.1
December	77.8	80.9	75.6	88.6	73.9	64.4	68.3	86.1
Year	77.4	80.6	75.1	88.9	71.1	64.4	68.4	86.0
1950 - January	77.5	79.1	75.7	88.5	74.3	65.4	68.4	86.9
February	77.6	79.4	75.7	88.4	74.3	65.4	69.5	86.9
March	78.1	79.7	77.0	87.9	74.3	65.3	69.6	86.9
April	78.3	80.1	77.3	88.2	74.4	65.3	69.2	87.0
May	78.3	80.1	77.3	88.1	74.4	65.3	69.2	87.0
June	78.9	81.4	77.7	88.1	74.7	65.4	69.2	87.0
July	79.5	82.7	78.3	88.1	74.7	65.4	69.3	87.0
August	80.0	83.7	78.8	88.3	74.8	65.4	69.7	87.0
September	80.7	85.0	79.4	88.8	75.5	65.6	70.0	87.0
October	82.0	86.8	80.0	89.4	76.2	65.9	70.6	91.8
November	82.4	87.4	80.4	89.8	76.0	66.1	70.8	92.3
December	82.5	87.4	80.6	90.0	76.0	66.3	72.1	92.3
Year	79.6	82.7	78.2	88.6	75.0	65.6	69.8	88.3
1951 - January	83.4	87.9	81.4	91.2	77.8	68.4	72.6	92.3
February	84.4	89.5	82.1	93.4	78.0	69.4	73.1	92.3
March	85.8	92.0	83.3	94.8	78.0	70.0	73.1	92.3
April	86.5	93.1	83.8	96.4	78.1	70.3	73.8	92.3
May	86.8	92.2	84.5	96.9	78.5	70.3	74.3	96.7
June	88.0	93.4	85.9	97.3	80.7	71.2	74.7	97.0
July	88.7	95.1	86.3	97.5	80.7	71.9	75.0	97.3
August	89.4	96.0	86.6	98.4	82.1	72.6	76.4	97.3
September	90.2	97.2	87.3	99.5	82.4	72.6	76.7	97.3
October	90.6	97.8	87.4	101.4	82.6	73.3	77.0	97.3
November	91.3	98.8	87.8	101.8	82.6	73.7	77.1	99.1
December	91.4	98.8	88.0	102.4	82.6	73.9	77.2	99.1
Year	88.0	94.4	85.4	97.6	80.4	71.5	75.1	95.9
1952 - January	91.5	98.7	88.1	102.1	82.9	74.7	77.7	99.0
February	91.0	97.4	88.0	100.9	82.9	75.5	77.8	99.0
March	90.5	94.8	88.5	100.4	83.8	75.5	78.4	99.0
April	90.4	94.5	88.6	100.0	83.9	75.6	79.2	99.0
May	89.7	93.1	88.4	99.8	82.9	75.7	79.7	96.6
June	89.8	93.3	88.6	99.4	83.0	75.8	79.7	96.6
July	89.8	93.5	88.7	99.3	83.0	75.7	79.4	96.6
August	89.8	93.3	88.6	99.2	83.0	76.2	79.4	96.6
September	89.9	93.4	88.9	98.6	83.1	76.2	79.4	96.6
October	89.8	92.8	89.0	97.7	84.4	76.3	79.5	96.6
November	89.9	93.3	88.9	97.6	84.4	76.4	80.2	96.6
December	89.6	92.0	89.3	97.5	84.4	76.4	80.3	96.6
Year	89.1	94.2	88.6	99.4	83.5	75.9	79.2	97.4

TABLE I. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Total and Main Components,
Monthly and Annually 1949-68 - Continued
1961=100

	All - items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1953 - January	89.6	91.5	89.5	97.5	84.4	76.4	80.5	96.6
February	89.4	90.9	89.6	97.4	84.4	76.5	80.5	96.6
March	88.9	90.0	89.6	97.5	84.4	76.5	80.6	92.1
April	88.7	89.4	89.8	97.5	84.5	77.1	78.7	92.1
May	88.5	88.8	89.7	97.9	84.5	77.2	79.1	92.1
June	88.9	89.8	89.9	97.9	84.5	77.2	79.1	92.1
July	89.3	90.9	90.2	98.0	84.5	77.2	79.5	92.1
August	89.6	91.0	90.4	98.1	85.1	77.8	79.5	92.2
September	89.9	91.9	90.5	98.1	85.3	77.8	79.6	92.2
October	90.3	93.1	90.6	98.0	85.3	78.1	79.6	92.2
November	89.9	91.5	90.8	98.0	85.2	78.2	80.9	92.2
December	89.6	90.4	90.8	98.0	85.2	78.2	81.0	92.2
Year	89.4	90.8	90.1	97.9	84.8	77.3	79.9	92.9
1954 - January	89.6	90.0	90.9	97.9	85.2	78.3	81.1	92.2
February	89.6	90.1	90.9	97.8	85.0	78.7	81.0	92.2
March	89.4	89.3	91.1	97.6	85.2	78.8	81.0	92.2
April	89.5	89.0	91.3	97.7	85.2	80.4	81.0	92.2
May	89.4	88.9	91.0	97.7	85.1	80.4	82.1	92.3
June	89.9	90.3	91.1	97.5	85.1	80.5	82.1	92.3
July	89.9	90.4	91.2	97.4	85.5	80.5	81.8	92.3
August	90.6	92.3	91.4	97.4	85.3	80.7	81.9	92.3
September	90.4	91.8	91.4	97.3	85.3	80.7	81.9	92.3
October	90.4	91.8	91.6	96.4	85.8	81.1	81.9	92.3
November	90.4	91.5	91.7	96.2	85.7	81.1	83.0	92.3
December	90.2	90.8	91.7	96.1	85.7	81.1	83.0	92.3
Year	89.9	90.5	91.3	97.2	85.3	80.2	81.8	92.3
1955 - January	90.1	90.4	91.8	96.1	85.7	81.2	83.0	92.3
February	90.0	89.9	91.9	96.1	85.7	81.4	82.9	92.3
March	89.8	89.3	91.9	96.0	85.5	81.4	83.2	92.3
April	89.9	89.5	91.8	95.9	85.0	81.6	83.1	92.3
May	90.1	90.6	91.7	95.9	84.6	81.5	84.3	92.4
June	89.7	89.5	91.7	95.8	83.3	81.4	84.3	92.4
July	89.8	89.9	91.7	95.8	83.3	81.5	84.2	92.4
August	90.1	90.6	91.8	95.8	83.7	81.6	84.2	92.4
September	90.4	91.7	91.9	95.8	83.6	81.6	84.2	92.4
October	90.5	91.5	92.0	95.8	83.8	81.9	84.1	92.4
November	90.5	91.1	92.3	95.9	83.7	82.0	84.7	92.4
December	90.5	90.6	92.5	96.4	83.8	82.0	84.7	92.4
Year	90.1	90.4	91.9	96.0	84.3	81.6	83.9	92.3
1956 - January	90.4	89.9	92.6	96.5	85.5	82.1	84.7	92.4
February	90.1	88.6	92.7	96.5	85.7	82.5	84.7	92.5
March	90.1	88.0	92.8	96.6	87.1	82.7	84.7	92.5
April	90.2	88.5	92.9	96.6	87.3	83.3	84.3	92.5
May	90.2	88.1	92.9	96.7	86.9	83.4	86.2	92.5
June	91.2	90.7	93.1	96.5	86.8	83.7	86.2	92.5
July	91.7	92.3	93.2	96.5	88.0	83.7	86.2	92.5
August	92.2	93.5	93.3	96.4	88.1	84.2	86.2	92.5
September	92.1	93.1	93.5	96.4	88.4	84.2	86.2	92.5
October	92.7	94.7	93.8	96.4	88.4	84.7	86.2	92.5
November	93.1	95.1	94.0	96.4	90.0	85.3	86.9	93.1
December	93.2	94.8	94.2	96.5	90.0	85.3	86.9	93.1
Year	91.4	91.5	93.2	96.5	87.7	83.7	85.8	92.6

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1961=100

	All - items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1957 - January	93.1	94.4	94.4	95.6	90.5	85.4	86.9	93.1
February	93.3	94.5	94.5	95.5	90.9	86.4	86.9	93.4
March	93.3	93.9	94.7	96.2	91.8	86.5	86.9	93.4
April	93.6	94.1	94.7	96.4	91.8	88.8	86.9	93.4
May	93.7	94.1	94.7	96.4	92.5	89.1	89.1	94.2
June	94.1	94.9	94.8	96.4	92.6	89.4	89.3	94.2
July	94.3	95.3	95.2	96.4	92.2	89.4	89.6	94.2
August	94.9	96.9	95.3	96.2	92.6	90.0	89.8	94.2
September	95.4	98.3	95.4	96.3	93.2	90.0	89.8	94.2
October	95.5	98.1	95.6	96.6	93.2	90.6	89.8	94.2
November	95.4	96.9	95.9	97.6	92.6	91.0	90.6	94.9
December	95.3	95.8	96.1	97.7	94.3	91.1	90.6	94.9
Year	94.3	95.6	95.1	96.4	92.4	89.0	88.8	94.1
1958 - January	95.5	96.3	96.2	96.7	93.9	91.4	93.4	94.9
February	95.7	96.7	96.2	96.7	93.9	92.2	93.7	95.0
March	96.2	97.8	96.5	97.3	94.0	92.3	93.8	95.1
April	96.9	99.5	96.7	97.6	94.0	93.3	93.9	95.1
May	96.8	99.0	96.5	97.8	94.6	93.5	94.8	95.1
June	96.8	99.0	96.7	97.5	94.6	93.7	94.8	95.1
July	96.5	97.9	96.7	97.7	94.0	93.6	94.9	95.1
August	96.9	98.9	96.9	97.4	94.1	93.8	94.9	95.1
September	97.2	99.1	97.1	97.3	95.8	94.2	95.3	95.1
October	97.5	99.5	97.4	97.7	96.0	94.8	95.4	95.1
November	97.8	99.4	97.5	98.1	98.2	95.4	95.8	95.3
December	97.7	98.5	97.8	98.2	98.9	95.4	95.8	95.3
Year	96.8	98.5	96.8	97.5	95.2	93.6	94.7	95.1
1959 - January	97.6	98.6	97.8	97.1	98.6	95.4	96.3	95.4
February	97.3	97.7	97.9	96.7	98.6	95.2	96.3	95.5
March	97.1	96.8	98.0	97.2	98.6	95.2	96.3	95.5
April	97.1	96.2	98.3	97.4	98.5	95.9	96.4	95.5
May	97.2	95.6	98.3	97.5	97.9	96.3	97.1	98.9
June	97.4	96.0	98.6	97.1	98.8	96.7	97.3	98.9
July	97.4	96.1	98.7	97.5	97.4	96.8	97.1	98.9
August	97.8	97.2	98.7	97.5	97.9	97.1	97.2	99.2
September	98.4	98.7	98.9	97.6	97.6	97.3	97.0	99.2
October	99.1	100.2	99.2	98.2	97.5	97.8	96.9	99.6
November	99.3	99.8	99.3	99.0	99.9	98.2	98.1	99.6
December	99.0	98.7	99.5	99.0	99.9	98.2	98.1	99.6
Year	97.9	97.7	98.6	97.7	98.4	96.7	97.0	98.0
1960 - January	98.7	98.1	99.3	98.0	99.3	98.8	97.9	99.6
February	98.5	97.4	99.3	97.6	99.3	99.0	97.9	99.6
March	98.2	96.3	99.4	98.1	99.4	99.0	97.9	99.6
April	98.7	97.5	99.5	98.5	99.4	99.4	97.7	99.6
May	98.6	96.9	99.5	98.5	99.9	99.5	98.8	99.5
June	98.8	97.4	99.5	98.6	100.1	99.7	98.8	99.5
July	98.7	97.2	99.5	98.5	99.7	99.7	98.9	99.6
August	99.0	98.1	99.6	98.0	99.9	99.6	99.1	99.6
September	99.4	99.4	99.8	98.2	99.6	99.6	99.1	99.6
October	100.2	101.5	99.9	98.8	99.6	99.9	99.2	99.6
November	100.3	101.2	100.0	100.0	100.6	99.7	100.1	99.6
December	100.3	101.0	100.0	100.1	100.6	99.8	100.0	99.6
Year	99.1	98.3	99.6	98.6	99.8	99.5	98.8	99.5

TABLE I. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Total and Main Components,
Monthly and Annually 1949-68 - Continued
1961=100

	All - items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1961 - January(1)	100.0	100.3(2)	100.0	99.2	100.4	99.8	100.1	99.6
February	99.8	100.0	99.9	99.1	100.4	99.5	100.4	99.5
March	99.9	100.0	100.0	99.4	100.3	99.4	100.3	99.5
April	99.9	99.9	100.0	99.5	100.3	100.0	99.6	99.6
May	99.8	99.4	99.8	99.9	100.9	100.0	99.9	99.6
June	99.8	99.6	99.8	100.0	100.4	99.8	99.8	99.6
July	99.8	100.7	99.8	99.7	98.6	99.9	99.2	99.6
August	99.9	101.0	99.8	99.6	98.9	99.5	99.5	99.8
September	99.9	99.4	100.2	100.5	99.6	99.8	100.4	100.9
October	100.0	99.4	100.3	101.0	99.6	100.0	100.1	100.9
November	100.4	99.7	100.4	101.3	100.6	100.9	100.1	100.9
December	100.5	100.4	100.5	101.1	100.4	101.0	100.1	100.9
Year	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962 - January	100.4	100.6	100.6	99.2	100.0	101.0	100.3	100.9
February	100.5	100.8	100.6	99.4	100.1	101.2	100.4	100.8
March	100.4	100.3	100.6	100.4	99.5	101.2	100.4	101.0
April	100.9	101.5	100.6	100.6	99.7	101.8	100.3	101.4
May	100.7	100.4	101.0	100.3	99.9	101.9	100.7	101.4
June	101.0	101.3	101.3	100.5	99.9	101.9	100.6	101.4
July	101.4	102.4	101.4	100.4	100.1	102.0	101.2	101.4
August	101.7	103.5	101.4	100.2	100.1	101.9	101.2	101.5
September	101.4	102.3	101.5	100.7	99.8	101.9	101.0	101.5
October	101.8	102.6	101.7	102.8	99.5	103.0	101.2	101.5
November	102.1	103.0	101.8	103.1	100.0	102.9	101.4	101.3
December	102.1	103.1	101.9	102.9	99.7	102.9	101.4	101.3
Year	101.2	101.8	101.2	100.9	99.9	102.0	100.8	101.3
1963 - January	102.2	104.0	102.0	102.0	99.4	102.9	101.7	101.3
February	102.2	104.4	102.0	102.0	99.3	103.0	101.7	101.5
March	102.2	104.0	102.1	102.8	99.3	103.0	101.7	101.5
April	102.4	104.0	102.1	102.8	99.0	104.4	101.3	101.4
May	102.4	103.5	102.1	102.8	100.0	104.7	101.8	101.3
June	102.8	104.6	102.1	103.1	99.8	104.8	102.2	101.3
July	103.3	106.9	102.0	102.8	100.1	104.7	101.8	101.6
August	103.6	107.4	102.3	103.0	100.3	104.8	101.8	101.5
September	103.3	105.9	102.5	103.2	100.4	104.8	102.1	101.5
October	103.4	105.2	102.6	105.2	100.4	105.5	103.0	101.5
November	103.7	105.5	102.8	105.5	100.4	106.1	103.4	101.9
December	103.9	106.0	102.9	105.7	100.0	106.5	103.6	101.9
Year	103.0	105.1	102.3	103.4	99.9	104.6	102.2	101.5
1964 - January	103.9	106.0	103.1	104.6	100.4	106.5	104.1	101.9
February	104.1	105.9	103.1	104.7	101.4	106.5	104.2	102.7
March	104.2	105.9	103.2	105.4	101.7	106.5	104.2	102.7
April	104.5	106.3	103.5	105.9	101.6	107.2	103.4	102.8
May	104.5	105.8	103.8	105.5	101.3	107.7	103.7	103.4
June	104.7	106.9	103.9	105.8	101.0	107.7	103.6	103.4
July	105.4	109.2	104.1	105.8	100.7	107.7	103.7	103.4
August	105.3	109.0	104.1	105.7	100.6	107.9	103.7	103.4
September	105.0	107.0	104.3	106.1	100.7	108.0	103.3	103.4
October	105.0	105.6	104.5	107.3	100.6	109.5	103.4	104.4
November	105.2	106.5	104.6	107.5	100.6	109.9	104.2	104.6
December	105.9	107.4	104.8	107.6	101.5	111.5	105.1	104.6
Year	104.8	106.8	103.9	106.0	101.0	108.0	103.9	103.4

TABLE I. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Total and Main Components,
Monthly and Annually 1949-68 - Concluded
1961=100

	All - items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1965 - January	106.0	106.9	105.0	106.0	104.1	111.6	105.4	104.6
February	106.2	107.3	105.2	106.2	104.1	111.7	105.0	104.7
March	106.3	107.5	105.3	107.0	103.6	111.7	105.0	104.8
April	106.6	107.6	105.3	107.7	103.8	112.7	105.1	104.8
May	106.8	108.5	105.5	107.6	104.4	113.1	105.8	105.3
June	107.6	111.0	105.6	107.6	104.6	112.9	106.1	105.3
July	108.0	112.1	105.9	107.6	104.6	112.9	105.8	105.3
August	107.9	111.1	106.0	107.3	105.2	113.2	105.8	105.4
September	107.7	110.0	106.2	107.9	105.8	113.3	105.4	105.4
October	107.8	109.4	106.3	109.5	105.8	114.0	105.5	105.4
November	108.5	111.5	106.6	110.0	105.8	114.6	106.1	105.2
December	109.0	112.6	106.9	110.0	105.8	114.6	106.4	105.2
Year	107.4	109.6	105.8	107.9	104.8	113.0	105.6	105.1
1966 - January	109.3	113.4	107.3	109.1	106.0	114.7	106.4	105.8
February	110.0	114.9	107.4	109.6	106.7	114.7	107.0	106.1
March	110.2	115.6	107.6	110.4	106.7	114.7	107.2	106.1
April	110.8	115.9	108.0	111.4	107.2	115.4	107.9	107.5
May	111.0	116.0	108.3	111.1	107.5	116.4	109.0	107.6
June	111.3	116.3	108.4	111.4	107.5	116.7	109.0	107.6
July	111.7	117.7	108.7	111.3	107.5	116.5	109.0	107.6
August	112.2	119.4	108.9	110.9	107.1	116.7	109.2	107.6
September	112.3	118.6	109.2	112.9	107.5	116.7	108.7	108.7
October	112.5	117.4	109.7	114.8	107.5	117.6	109.0	108.7
November	112.6	116.7	110.1	115.4	107.5	118.8	110.4	108.8
December	112.9	116.7	110.5	115.3	108.5	118.8	110.5	108.8
Year	111.4	116.6	108.7	112.0	107.3	116.5	108.6	107.6
1967 - January	113.0	116.9	110.8	114.3	108.8	119.1	110.8	108.8
February	113.1	116.2	110.9	114.8	110.2	119.2	112.0	109.0
March	113.4	115.6	111.4	116.3	110.7	119.3	112.0	109.6
April	114.4	116.1	112.7	117.2	111.7	122.3	112.4	109.8
May	114.6	115.9	113.0	117.2	111.8	123.0	114.0	110.0
June	115.2	116.8	113.5	117.8	112.5	122.8	114.4	110.1
July	116.3	119.8	114.0	117.8	112.6	123.3	114.9	110.1
August	116.8	121.9	114.3	117.6	112.4	123.6	114.9	110.6
September	116.6	119.8	114.6	119.7	112.7	123.2	115.5	110.6
October	116.5	119.2	114.9	118.8	112.3	124.4	115.9	110.6
November	116.9	119.4	115.2	119.6	112.3	124.8	116.7	110.7
December	117.5	119.8	115.5	119.7	113.5	124.8	116.2	114.4
Year	115.4	118.1	113.4	117.6	111.8	122.5	114.1	110.3
1968 - January	118.1	121.3	116.1	118.6	113.8	124.7	116.5	117.2
February	118.2	120.8	116.7	119.1	113.2	125.1	117.6	117.3
March	118.6	119.9	117.1	120.5	114.0	125.1	118.1	119.0
April	119.3	120.8	117.6	121.2	114.4	126.9	117.8	121.2
May	119.3	120.1	117.9	120.7	114.5	127.4	119.2	121.3
June	119.7	120.5	118.3	121.2	115.1	127.4	119.2	121.3
July	120.4	122.5	118.8	121.0	115.1	128.0	119.6	121.3
August	120.7	123.9	118.9	120.6	115.1	128.2	119.9	121.3
September	121.1	123.4	119.8	121.2	115.4	128.5	121.0	121.3
October	121.4	122.9	120.3	122.8	114.9	129.0	121.4	121.3
November	121.9	123.4	120.9	123.4	115.7	129.4	123.3	121.3
December	122.3	124.5	121.0	123.4	115.7	129.4	123.3	121.3
Year	120.1	122.0	118.6	121.1	114.7	127.4	119.7	120.4

(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 II. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Total, Main Components and Selected Sub Groups, Annually 1949-1968
1961=100

	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
ALL-ITEMS	77.4	79.6	88.0	90.2	89.4	89.9	90.1	91.4	94.3	96.8	97.9
Food	80.6	82.7	94.4	94.2	90.8	90.5	90.4	91.5	95.6	98.5	97.7
Food at home(1) .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	95.8	99.3	98.5
Dairy products (ex. butter)	76.8	78.5	84.6	90.4	89.9	89.9	89.9	90.4	95.8	98.8	99.6
Bakery and Cereal Products	69.5	71.9	78.6	81.6	83.0	85.1	84.8	86.9	92.1	94.5	96.5
Meat, fish and poultry	85.8	91.3	109.0	99.0	92.8	90.5	86.9	87.5	94.8	99.8	99.9
Beef	76.5	90.7	114.6	103.8	85.2	80.2	81.6	82.3	85.7	98.6	105.1
Pork	88.3	86.8	98.2	85.7	94.3	98.7	86.9	87.5	103.4	100.1	92.8
Other meats	88.0	92.9	118.0	108.2	93.0	87.8	83.9	84.3	88.9	98.7	100.6
Fish	74.0	76.8	83.0	83.3	77.3	77.2	79.9	83.1	88.0	88.0	92.1
Poultry	137.6	132.5	155.9	138.7	149.4	131.8	129.0	126.1	121.1	119.9	108.8
Eggs	109.3	100.3	127.3	104.9	120.1	101.5	109.2	112.9	99.5	102.8	96.6
Fats and oils (incl. butter)	94.2	90.1	103.2	96.0	95.7	95.9	93.5	92.7	96.6	99.5	98.4
Fruits and vegetables	74.1	74.1	79.3	91.4	82.6	83.5	86.7	89.0	90.7	94.9	91.9
Fresh fruit	67.1	71.3	73.0	74.4	76.0	80.5	77.6	79.4	83.9	92.6	81.3
Canned fruit	84.5	84.0	80.1	83.8	82.8	85.8	86.1	85.9	91.9	90.6	91.7
Fresh vegetables	77.3	76.4	80.6	113.8	85.5	84.1	94.4	100.0	94.0	100.1	99.3
Canned vegetables	77.4	73.4	84.3	95.5	90.2	86.7	93.5	94.6	98.6	95.0	97.2
Miscellaneous groceries	84.7	88.7	103.9	103.0	99.6	103.2	104.2	103.1	107.5	103.7	100.3
Restaurant meals(1) .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	94.3	97.9	97.6
Housing	75.1	78.2	85.4	88.6	90.1	91.3	91.9	93.2	95.1	96.8	98.6
Shelter	68.9	73.2	78.8	82.8	85.2	87.2	89.2	91.3	93.0	95.4	97.5
Rent	69.8	75.5	79.9	84.4	87.5	90.6	93.0	94.6	96.3	98.0	99.1
Home-ownership	67.8	70.3	77.6	80.9	82.2	82.9	84.4	87.1	88.7	92.0	95.4
Household operation	81.3	83.3	92.0	94.5	95.1	95.4	94.6	95.2	97.2	98.4	99.8
Fuel (ex. electricity)	86.0	89.3	94.9	98.4	99.7	98.8	96.9	98.7	102.2	101.0	101.9
Electricity	85.0	88.2	92.3	94.2	97.4	98.6	98.6	98.3	98.0	98.4	99.3
Home furnishings	86.0	87.3	99.3	101.1	100.3	99.4	97.8	97.3	99.1	100.4	100.6
Supplies and services	72.4	74.1	81.5	84.5	85.9	88.1	88.9	89.9	92.0	94.2	97.5
Supplies	75.9	76.2	85.2	85.3	86.2	87.9	88.3	89.0	90.5	93.4	96.9
Services	69.9	73.0	79.8	84.7	86.6	89.7	90.9	91.3	92.2	93.1	98.3
Clothing	88.9	88.6	97.6	99.4	97.9	97.2	96.0	96.3	96.4	97.5	97.7
Men's wear	83.8	83.1	93.5	96.5	95.1	95.3	94.6	95.0	96.8	97.5	98.2
Women's wear	102.2	101.2	108.0	107.2	104.8	103.2	100.6	101.1	98.6	100.1	98.7
Children's wear	93.7	95.2	101.8	104.5	101.8	100.7	99.5	99.3	98.2	98.8	98.4
Footwear	67.9	68.5	79.2	86.4	86.8	86.7	86.5	88.0	89.6	90.7	93.5
Piece goods	87.6	90.2	104.9	94.0	93.0	95.2	94.9	95.0	97.2	97.5	98.1
Clothing services	70.4	72.5	78.4	83.0	84.5	86.5	87.1	89.2	93.9	95.7	97.2
Jewellery(2) .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	93.2	95.8	97.3
Transportation	71.1	75.0	80.4	83.5	84.8	85.3	84.3	87.7	92.4	95.2	98.4
Automobile operation	81.6	84.7	92.2	93.8	93.5	93.6	90.6	91.5	97.4	98.9	100.3
Local transportation	51.3	56.7	60.3	66.1	70.3	71.9	73.3	81.1	84.7	89.2	95.2
Travel	83.0	85.0	86.1	87.4	86.8	86.4	86.6	87.1	89.5	92.8	95.5
Health and personal care	64.4	65.6	71.5	75.9	77.3	80.2	81.6	83.7	89.0	93.6	96.7
Health care	62.7	64.0	69.1	74.4	76.4	79.8	81.7	84.1	89.3	94.0	96.8
Doctors' fees	68.5	69.1	73.3	78.7	80.8	82.6	83.8	86.1	89.5	94.4	97.1
Dentists' fees	63.1	64.8	69.5	73.0	75.4	78.1	80.5	82.3	87.3	91.4	94.3
Optical care	74.6	76.3	80.3	83.2	85.1	87.0	87.2	88.4	92.2	94.9	96.7
Prepaid medical care	56.8	60.0	65.1	71.5	71.9	77.9	79.9	81.6	91.3	96.2	95.7
Pharmaceuticals	81.8	83.1	87.9	88.3	89.0	89.6	90.8	91.4	93.7	96.7	101.6
Personnel care	68.8	69.4	77.4	79.4	79.7	81.1	81.2	82.9	87.9	92.4	96.3
Supplies	78.5	77.8	86.8	88.5	87.5	89.2	88.5	88.2	91.6	96.5	99.2
Services	58.1	60.2	67.0	69.5	71.1	72.2	73.1	77.0	83.9	87.9	93.3
Recreation and reading	68.4	69.8	75.1	79.2	79.9	81.8	83.9	85.8	88.8	94.7	97.0
Recreation(2)	69.7	70.7	76.5	80.1	80.1	82.2	84.8	87.5	90.9	94.3	96.6
Reading	65.1	67.4	71.2	76.7	79.1	80.7	81.6	81.3	83.4	95.9	98.1
Tobacco and alcohol	86.0	88.3	95.9	97.4	92.9	92.3	92.3	92.6	94.1	95.1	98.0
Tobacco	91.1	93.4	102.0	105.9	93.9	91.9	92.1	92.2	92.2	92.3	97.5
Alcohol	82.8	85.1	91.9	92.1	92.1	92.4	92.5	92.8	95.2	96.8	98.2

See footnote(s) at end of table.

TABLE II. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Total, Main Components and Selected Sub Groups, Annually 1949-1968 - Concluded
1961=100

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
ALL-ITEMS	99.1	100.0	101.2	103.0	104.8	107.4	111.4	115.4	120.1
Food	98.5	100.0	101.8	105.1	106.8	109.6	116.6	118.1	122.0
Food at home(1)	99.0	100.0	101.9	105.0	106.3	109.1	115.9	116.4	119.9
Dairy products (ex. butter)	100.8	100.0	100.0	101.2	104.7	107.1	114.1	122.1	127.8
Bakery and cereal products	98.3	100.0	102.2	107.1	112.1	112.7	115.7	117.4	120.0
Meat, fish and poultry	98.2	100.0	105.6	105.2	102.6	108.3	121.0	120.1	121.4
Beef	100.7	100.0	109.6	106.5	103.0	107.3	118.1	124.2	126.3
Pork	91.8	100.0	103.2	103.3	101.0	112.7	130.3	117.8	116.8
Other meats	99.0	100.0	102.7	105.2	104.0	106.7	120.1	120.5	121.5
Fish	95.7	100.0	102.6	105.0	106.0	111.1	122.0	124.4	127.0
Poultry	111.3	100.0	102.3	105.0	100.0	102.9	111.0	106.6	109.6
Eggs	96.8	100.0	94.6	103.7	90.1	96.5	114.0	96.1	98.9
Fats and oils (incl. butter)	98.3	100.0	91.1	86.8	87.9	92.9	100.3	103.3	102.8
Fruits and vegetables	97.7	100.0	103.4	110.0	113.4	116.2	116.3	115.2	126.8
Fresh fruit	88.7	100.0	102.1	111.1	108.8	106.1	104.4	107.4	127.2
Canned fruit	95.4	100.0	97.6	106.2	115.1	111.4	111.5	109.2	116.4
Fresh vegetables	108.3	100.0	109.7	112.7	118.5	131.9	131.9	126.0	134.6
Canned vegetables	98.8	100.0	99.6	100.6	107.7	111.3	115.9	119.0	124.2
Miscellaneous groceries	99.3	100.0	99.7	108.5	113.6	109.2	110.9	110.9	114.3
Restaurant meals(1)	98.2	100.0	101.4	105.2	110.2	113.3	121.6	130.7	136.9
Housing	99.6	100.0	101.2	102.3	103.9	105.8	108.7	113.4	118.6
Shelter	99.0	100.0	101.6	103.4	106.0	108.8	112.2	117.5	124.6
Rent	99.7	100.0	100.3	100.6	101.2	101.9	103.6	107.1	111.8
Home ownership	98.4	100.0	102.8	105.9	110.4	115.0	120.1	126.9	136.1
Household operations	100.2	100.0	100.5	100.7	101.0	101.7	103.7	107.8	110.6
Fuel (ex. electricity)	101.5	100.0	99.4	97.8	95.7	95.9	96.0	97.6	100.8
Electricity	99.7	100.0	99.1	99.3	98.8	97.2	97.3	104.4	109.6
Home furnishings	100.5	100.0	100.7	101.5	102.1	102.8	105.2	109.7	112.2
Supplies and services	99.1	100.0	101.5	102.1	103.8	106.0	109.4	113.1	115.1
Supplies	99.0	100.0	101.2	101.9	102.8	105.3	108.3	112.7	113.9
Services	99.2	100.0	101.7	102.3	104.3	106.4	110.3	113.4	115.9
Clothing	98.6	100.0	100.9	103.4	106.0	107.9	112.0	117.6	121.1
Men's wear	98.4	100.0	101.5	104.2	106.2	108.4	112.1	118.2	122.2
Women's wear	98.6	100.0	100.1	104.0	108.3	108.8	112.6	117.4	119.4
Children's wear	98.3	100.0	100.2	101.1	102.4	103.5	104.8	110.5	112.3
Footwear	98.0	100.0	101.1	102.1	103.4	107.2	114.2	121.0	127.7
Piece goods	99.1	100.0	103.6	106.4	107.2	108.7	110.4	116.3	118.2
Clothing services	99.2	100.0	101.3	103.4	106.0	109.3	114.9	119.6	123.5
Jewellery(2)	98.1	100.0	101.5	105.0	107.4	110.0	114.1	120.7	127.2
Transportation	99.8	100.0	99.9	99.9	101.0	104.8	107.3	111.8	114.7
Automobile operation	100.5	100.0	99.4	99.2	100.2	103.7	105.8	108.5	110.9
Local transportation	97.8	100.0	101.0	102.2	106.3	113.4	117.5	135.2	142.4
Travel	98.8	100.0	104.0	106.0	102.0	101.5	106.2	109.3	114.8
Health and personal care	99.5	100.0	102.0	104.6	108.0	113.0	116.5	122.5	127.4
Health care	99.4	100.0	102.0	104.9	108.0	113.2	115.3	121.2	126.8
Doctors' fees	98.4	100.0	103.0	104.9	107.0	110.1	112.7	122.4	127.8
Dentists' fees	97.6	100.0	103.6	110.0	113.6	118.4	125.2	131.6	142.7
Optical care	98.2	100.0	104.8	111.0	113.7	117.0	120.8	125.3	132.0
Prepaid medical care	98.1	100.0	100.5	105.9	111.8	124.4	123.4	128.4	137.7
Pharmaceuticals	104.2	100.0	99.9	98.1	98.2	98.1	99.3	100.0	96.5
Personal care	99.5	100.0	102.0	104.0	108.3	112.8	118.8	125.0	128.7
Supplies	100.2	100.0	101.0	102.8	104.4	108.4	111.9	113.8	115.0
Services	98.8	100.0	103.0	105.1	112.3	117.5	126.0	136.7	143.0
Recreation and reading	98.8	100.0	100.8	102.2	103.9	105.6	108.6	114.1	119.7
Recreation(2)	98.7	100.0	100.3	101.6	103.4	105.0	107.7	113.2	118.0
Reading	99.0	100.0	102.5	104.2	105.7	107.6	111.7	117.0	125.0
Tobacco and alcohol	99.6	100.0	101.3	101.5	103.4	105.1	107.6	110.4	120.4
Tobacco	99.7	100.0	100.4	100.5	101.3	104.4	108.8	113.3	126.8
Alcohol	99.3	100.0	101.8	102.2	104.7	105.6	106.7	108.4	116.2

(1) Classification introduced in 1957.

(2) Includes radio and television.

TABLE III. The Consumer Price Index for Canada, Commodities and Services, Annually 1949-1968
1961=100

	Commodities						Services	
	Total commodities	Total commodities excluding food	Durable		Non-durable excluding food	"Other" non-durable	Total services	Total services excluding shelter
			Non-durable	Durable	excluding food	"Other" non-durable		
1949	83.3	84.9	86.1	82.9	84.5	82.5	64.4	61.5
1950	85.0	86.2	87.6	84.5	85.9	84.7	68.0	63.9
1951	95.0	94.9	99.7	94.3	93.5	91.2	72.5	68.6
1952	95.8	96.8	101.8	94.9	95.4	93.1	77.2	73.4
1953	93.7	95.8	100.9	92.6	94.3	92.2	79.9	75.7
1954	93.4	95.4	100.1	92.4	94.1	92.4	82.7	78.4
1955	92.8	94.4	97.5	92.0	93.5	92.2	84.6	80.1
1956	93.5	94.8	97.2	92.8	94.2	92.7	87.3	83.4
1957	96.2	96.4	99.7	95.6	95.5	94.9	90.8	88.0
1958	98.4	98.0	101.2	97.9	97.2	96.9	94.0	91.9
1959	98.7	99.3	102.1	98.1	98.6	99.0	96.6	95.3
1960	99.5	99.9	101.8	99.0	99.4	99.8	98.7	98.1
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962	100.9	100.2	99.3	101.2	100.7	100.6	101.4	102.1
1963	102.6	101.0	99.5	103.3	101.7	100.8	102.8	104.1
1964	103.9	102.1	98.6	104.9	103.4	101.9	105.4	107.9
1965	105.6	103.2	98.7	107.0	104.9	103.2	109.8	114.6
1966	109.5	105.3	99.1	111.7	107.7	105.6	113.6	119.6
1967	112.4	109.2	102.1	114.6	111.9	109.0	119.7	127.0
1968	116.4	113.2	103.9	119.0	116.9	114.9	125.0	132.6

TABLE IV. The Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, Totals and Main Components, Annually, 1949-1968

1961=100

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
St. John's, Nfld.(1)								
1949	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1950	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1951(2)	87.7	93.7	89.7	93.3	81.6	64.9	66.7	102.1
1952	88.7	93.6	92.7	93.8	81.8	65.7	67.9	100.1
1953	87.6	90.3	93.3	92.1	82.9	67.9	69.8	90.1
1954	88.1	90.6	93.2	92.2	83.6	69.8	74.3	88.5
1955	89.3	92.1	92.8	91.2	87.3	76.6	75.5	88.5
1956	91.5	93.6	94.7	90.8	88.7	88.3	78.0	88.0
1957	93.7	96.5	96.8	92.0	89.9	92.2	77.9	88.6
1958	96.0	98.8	97.7	93.2	92.9	95.6	86.4	90.8
1959	97.9	100.7	98.8	94.3	98.6	97.6	87.8	94.9
1960	99.0	100.2	99.8	97.9	99.4	99.8	90.4	98.6
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	100.8	100.6	100.7	100.7	100.9	100.5	100.6	101.4
1963	102.8	104.8	101.9	101.9	100.7	102.0	101.5	102.7
1964	103.9	105.7	102.5	103.4	99.0	106.4	98.8	111.4
1965	105.5	107.8	103.0	105.3	99.0	107.6	98.9	117.9
1966	108.0	112.8	104.1	108.0	99.8	109.0	99.5	118.7
1967	110.9	113.7	107.5	113.8	102.2	116.7	101.7	122.3
1968	115.9	117.0	110.4	121.3	107.6	125.8	106.2	138.5
Halifax								
1949	77.8	84.1	75.3	81.6	71.8	63.3	60.6	80.8
1950	79.5	85.8	77.7	82.4	73.7	63.6	61.4	84.6
1951	87.2	96.3	83.6	91.8	76.2	70.5	69.0	91.0
1952	89.7	96.4	87.7	95.4	77.5	76.9	76.3	93.9
1953	88.1	90.4	89.0	94.6	78.4	78.9	81.5	89.1
1954	88.8	89.9	90.7	94.7	79.0	80.8	82.7	85.7
1955	89.3	89.8	91.2	93.6	79.1	85.1	85.3	88.4
1956	90.4	90.7	92.5	93.8	81.0	86.9	85.1	89.3
1957	93.2	95.0	95.4	93.1	85.6	90.8	87.0	89.8
1958	95.6	97.9	96.2	94.0	95.5	94.6	90.6	90.8
1959	98.0	98.2	98.4	97.1	98.1	98.0	95.9	98.2
1960	99.0	98.6	99.1	98.4	99.3	99.9	99.1	99.8
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	101.3	102.9	100.9	100.8	100.0	102.2	99.0	100.3
1963	102.3	106.0	100.8	102.9	99.2	103.7	100.4	100.5
1964	102.7	106.7	100.5	105.2	97.8	105.9	102.6	100.7
1965	104.6	110.1	101.3	107.3	99.8	107.5	104.1	101.6
1966	107.4	116.1	102.8	110.0	100.6	111.7	105.7	102.7
1967	109.9	117.2	105.0	114.5	102.8	116.4	112.2	105.4
1968	114.2	121.2	107.8	118.0	104.8	126.9	117.9	113.1
Saint John								
1949	76.8	80.9	76.6	82.7	70.1	56.1	66.7	81.0
1950	79.3	83.9	79.4	84.6	71.9	57.6	69.3	86.4
1951	87.6	95.6	83.7	96.3	74.7	65.3	76.1	95.8
1952	90.2	96.4	86.0	99.7	74.8	77.9	81.9	98.9
1953	88.6	90.9	88.4	98.7	76.0	78.2	86.4	93.5
1954	89.6	90.0	90.4	98.0	82.3	80.2	87.5	92.7
1955	90.4	90.7	91.8	96.1	83.2	82.7	87.5	92.7
1956	91.2	90.8	93.6	96.5	84.0	83.3	88.9	92.8
1957	94.2	94.5	95.9	97.1	86.5	90.2	92.5	93.1
1958	96.2	96.4	96.9	96.7	95.8	95.1	95.1	93.4
1959	98.1	97.7	98.4	96.9	98.7	100.1	96.4	96.4
1960	99.2	98.9	99.4	98.6	99.5	100.8	98.9	97.9
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	100.9	101.6	100.5	100.3	100.5	102.1	100.2	100.8
1963	102.5	105.1	100.9	102.5	100.8	104.6	102.0	100.9

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TABLE IV. The Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, Totals and Main Components, Annually 1949-1968 - Continued

1961=100

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Toronto - Concluded								
1959	98.2	97.2	99.9	98.0	96.9	98.6	96.8	97.9
1960	99.4	99.0	99.9	98.7	99.4	99.7	99.2	99.6
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	100.9	101.3	100.4	102.2	99.7	102.2	99.5	101.5
1963	102.6	104.6	100.7	105.4	100.2	104.6	101.2	101.3
1964	104.3	106.5	101.1	108.4	104.1	108.6	102.3	102.2
1965	106.9	110.0	102.0	110.9	108.5	114.4	103.9	102.7
1966	111.6	118.0	104.9	116.4	112.3	118.3	106.4	107.3
1967	114.9	117.3	109.4	121.4	117.3	123.8	111.5	110.0
1968	119.3	121.4	113.6	124.6	119.3	128.0	118.6	122.9
Winnipeg								
1949	78.4	80.6	78.1	85.3	75.6	59.3	71.5	83.2
1950	81.4	84.1	81.9	86.0	79.3	61.3	72.1	85.0
1951	89.9	96.9	86.5	96.2	80.9	69.2	77.8	93.8
1952	91.1	94.8	88.8	100.9	84.8	73.4	83.8	96.7
1953	89.7	90.6	90.3	98.9	84.9	76.0	85.6	91.8
1954	90.4	89.8	92.5	97.9	84.8	79.7	87.3	91.0
1955	90.9	89.8	93.7	96.1	85.2	80.7	89.8	91.0
1956	91.9	90.6	94.4	96.6	89.1	83.5	91.0	91.0
1957	94.1	93.7	95.9	96.2	93.6	88.3	91.5	92.0
1958	96.5	97.7	96.6	98.5	96.1	93.8	94.1	92.3
1959	97.0	96.1	98.0	99.0	98.9	94.7	94.9	95.7
1960	98.5	97.0	99.4	99.9	99.2	96.7	97.9	99.8
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	101.3	102.7	100.7	100.9	100.7	102.2	100.1	100.3
1963	102.2	104.4	100.3	103.4	101.7	104.0	99.8	102.2
1964	103.8	105.4	100.5	106.9	102.6	108.4	101.3	106.7
1965	106.1	108.1	101.6	108.7	105.0	112.1	102.6	115.1
1966	109.3	115.2	102.3	113.0	106.9	114.9	106.2	115.7
1967	113.3	116.8	104.9	121.2	112.1	120.6	115.1	120.4
1968	118.2	121.0	108.2	128.7	115.5	130.3	121.6	128.3
Saskatoon - Regina								
1949	79.7	82.3	79.6	80.6	74.8	69.9	68.3	85.8
1950	81.5	85.3	81.1	80.8	76.5	71.2	70.4	87.6
1951	89.1	95.7	86.2	89.6	80.5	76.5	76.3	96.5
1952	90.0	93.1	89.4	94.1	81.3	79.0	79.8	99.3
1953	90.2	92.4	91.0	93.5	82.6	79.6	81.0	94.4
1954	91.1	91.5	92.8	94.0	84.9	81.4	83.7	93.6
1955	91.4	91.6	93.4	92.5	85.4	83.4	86.3	93.7
1956	92.3	92.9	93.6	92.7	88.8	85.0	89.2	93.7
1957	95.0	96.0	95.8	95.2	91.7	89.6	92.3	94.8
1958	97.3	99.1	97.1	95.9	96.1	94.3	97.9	94.9
1959	98.2	98.5	98.6	96.6	98.4	95.3	99.9	97.5
1960	99.2	98.8	99.7	99.0	98.1	98.4	99.7	99.0
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	101.7	102.3	101.2	102.1	101.5	101.1	100.7	102.4
1963	102.5	104.7	101.0	104.0	101.4	101.9	100.5	102.6
1964	103.5	106.4	101.8	106.1	100.9	103.5	100.7	103.0
1965	105.2	109.1	102.5	107.7	102.3	105.5	103.1	106.0
1966	108.3	116.1	103.3	111.6	103.1	110.5	104.8	108.0
1967	111.3	118.5	105.9	115.9	105.5	115.4	109.1	111.1
1968	115.8	121.7	109.5	120.6	110.2	120.8	117.3	120.0
Edmonton - Calgary								
1949	80.0	84.3	78.9	82.7	76.0	62.3	71.9	86.5
1950	83.1	88.8	81.9	82.7	81.7	64.0	75.5	88.4
1951	90.8	99.8	87.4	93.0	82.8	67.5	81.1	97.6
1952	91.8	97.8	89.5	96.9	83.0	72.9	86.1	100.5
1953	91.2	94.3	91.2	94.5	87.1	76.5	89.5	95.4

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TABLE IV. The Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, Totals and Main Components, Annually 1949-1968 - Continued

1961=100

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Saint John - Concluded								
1964	103.5	107.2	101.9	105.0	99.4	105.3	102.9	101.1
1965	105.1	108.9	103.0	107.1	102.3	108.0	104.3	102.1
1966	107.8	114.2	104.0	110.7	103.9	112.2	106.9	103.2
1967	111.1	115.7	106.2	117.4	107.6	119.2	114.9	106.2
1968	115.1	120.9	108.6	121.4	112.2	122.4	120.4	113.1
Montreal								
1949	77.3	78.0	75.1	92.8	62.0	62.3	71.6	85.3
1950	80.2	80.8	80.3	91.7	69.6	64.3	73.6	86.7
1951	89.8	94.4	88.0	100.9	71.4	69.1	76.7	95.4
1952	91.0	93.1	91.3	103.3	73.2	74.9	78.5	98.0
1953	89.9	89.5	92.7	102.2	79.1	76.2	80.4	93.2
1954	90.3	89.2	93.7	101.8	79.7	78.6	83.2	92.5
1955	90.4	89.4	94.3	99.4	78.7	79.3	85.1	92.5
1956	91.6	90.0	95.0	99.8	87.1	80.3	86.8	92.6
1957	94.2	94.6	96.4	97.4	89.3	85.9	91.3	93.4
1958	97.1	98.4	98.0	99.3	93.1	90.9	93.1	95.1
1959	98.1	98.0	99.2	98.0	99.6	94.6	94.9	98.0
1960	98.9	98.6	99.5	97.9	100.0	98.8	96.7	99.3
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	101.2	102.3	100.8	98.8	99.4	102.7	101.8	100.9
1963	102.9	106.1	101.3	100.9	98.8	105.7	103.4	101.5
1964	104.5	108.0	101.7	103.2	98.5	109.3	108.3	105.3
1965	106.7	110.0	102.4	105.4	102.5	113.9	112.5	107.8
1966	109.9	116.7	103.8	108.5	104.0	116.7	115.3	109.5
1967	114.2	118.3	107.7	115.3	112.5	122.7	121.8	112.4
1968	117.7	122.1	110.6	118.6	113.9	124.2	128.4	123.9
Ottawa								
1949	76.8	80.9	73.4	86.3	65.7	62.2	71.2	82.2
1950	79.2	83.8	77.6	85.5	68.1	63.2	70.7	84.0
1951	88.6	96.6	84.7	95.6	75.6	71.1	75.5	92.6
1952	89.7	95.1	86.4	98.7	81.2	74.8	83.1	95.5
1953	88.3	90.6	87.7	97.5	81.8	76.2	83.6	90.6
1954	89.2	90.0	89.7	97.4	82.3	79.2	86.4	89.9
1955	90.0	89.8	91.9	95.9	81.0	81.7	90.4	89.9
1956	91.6	90.5	93.5	96.3	86.5	85.0	92.7	90.1
1957	94.6	95.1	95.9	96.5	90.2	90.4	94.9	92.6
1958	96.4	98.1	97.2	96.5	91.6	93.8	96.4	93.5
1959	97.5	97.1	98.8	97.8	93.4	97.8	97.4	97.0
1960	98.8	98.9	99.5	99.0	94.7	99.7	97.7	98.8
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	101.2	101.6	100.7	102.0	100.3	101.4	101.8	101.9
1963	102.9	105.8	100.7	104.8	100.8	104.4	101.6	101.8
1964	104.5	108.1	100.7	107.0	103.0	107.3	104.8	103.1
1965	106.3	111.0	101.1	108.4	104.9	113.6	107.1	104.1
1966	110.4	118.4	102.5	112.9	108.6	118.0	109.1	108.6
1967	113.1	119.7	104.8	118.3	110.6	122.9	115.4	111.8
1968	118.4	124.3	108.7	121.5	116.2	129.6	122.3	124.2
Toronto								
1949	76.2	81.4	71.9	86.6	74.3	65.7	54.2	82.9
1950	79.3	84.5	77.3	85.8	77.2	66.6	57.1	84.7
1951	88.0	96.1	84.8	95.9	81.3	75.3	59.8	93.4
1952	89.6	94.0	88.5	99.0	84.9	79.1	67.5	96.4
1953	89.0	90.0	90.8	97.7	86.0	80.8	70.7	91.5
1954	90.2	90.1	92.9	96.5	87.3	84.0	73.3	90.7
1955	90.5	90.1	94.4	95.3	86.0	85.2	74.9	90.7
1956	91.9	91.4	95.7	96.3	88.8	87.0	77.3	90.9
1957	95.4	95.9	97.6	97.1	96.1	91.9	81.5	93.9
1958	98.0	98.9	99.2	98.0	96.7	96.1	93.9	91.9

See footnote(s) at end of table.

TABLE IV. The Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, Totals and Main Components, Annually 1949-1968 - Concluded

1961=100

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- portation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
Edmonton - Calgary - Concluded								
1954	91.9	93.5	92.7	94.0	88.4	80.4	92.4	94.6
1955	91.7	92.8	93.1	93.1	86.4	81.4	92.9	94.6
1956	92.6	93.5	93.8	93.6	87.2	84.9	93.9	94.8
1957	95.0	97.3	95.0	95.5	92.2	88.8	94.7	95.8
1958	97.1	99.9	96.4	95.5	95.9	94.4	97.1	95.8
1959	98.4	99.5	97.9	97.3	98.5	97.3	98.7	98.4
1960	99.3	98.6	99.6	99.3	100.0	99.4	99.4	99.7
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	101.0	102.1	100.4	100.6	99.2	101.1	101.9	102.9
1963	102.1	104.5	100.3	103.3	98.9	102.8	104.8	103.4
1964	102.6	104.6	100.2	105.9	98.6	106.0	104.4	103.7
1965	104.1	106.9	100.9	107.6	101.5	108.5	104.5	104.2
1966	107.5	113.3	102.4	112.0	103.4	114.1	107.3	105.2
1967	111.8	116.4	106.5	116.9	107.8	120.4	113.8	109.3
1968	116.7	120.4	111.0	121.3	113.2	128.3	121.2	114.2
Vancouver								
1949	77.3	81.2	73.7	86.1	71.9	66.7	67.4	82.6
1950	80.1	84.9	76.9	85.4	77.1	67.2	70.2	84.5
1951	88.3	95.7	84.2	95.3	78.9	74.7	74.0	92.9
1952	90.7	95.3	88.5	99.1	84.9	79.0	78.2	95.7
1953	89.7	91.1	90.2	96.9	88.9	80.3	79.5	91.0
1954	90.7	90.7	92.1	97.2	90.7	82.0	82.1	91.0
1955	91.1	90.7	92.8	96.8	88.6	83.2	87.4	92.0
1956	92.4	92.9	94.5	97.2	87.7	85.0	87.3	92.3
1957	94.7	96.4	95.9	97.2	90.8	89.0	88.5	94.8
1958	97.1	99.0	97.4	97.8	93.7	92.4	97.2	95.1
1959	98.8	99.4	99.0	98.6	99.9	95.5	99.2	98.2
1960	99.7	99.4	100.0	100.3	100.0	99.0	99.3	99.5
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962(3)(4)	100.3	102.4	99.3	100.6	98.9	100.2	98.7	100.0
1963	101.9	105.7	99.6	102.9	100.5	100.5	100.5	99.9
1964	102.6	106.4	99.8	105.1	100.4	103.0	101.3	100.7
1965	104.5	108.8	99.7	106.9	106.8	105.0	102.5	101.8
1966	107.0	113.6	100.5	110.7	109.3	106.8	105.8	102.6
1967	111.0	115.3	106.0	115.8	110.6	115.7	109.6	105.6
1968	115.1	119.4	110.0	120.2	113.4	121.7	112.7	112.2

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

(1) Data collected in St. John's from June 1951.

(2) Average of June to December 1951.

(3) 1957 weights replace 1947-48 weights beginning February 1962.

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

NOTES ON PRICES AND PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)

In 52 manufacturing industries, Industry Selling Price Indexes were higher in January, 15 more than the 37 increases recorded in the November-December period. Industry indexes which declined numbered 18 in January, 10 more than the 8 decreases recorded in December. Of the 102 industry indexes, 32 were unchanged in January, 25 less than in the previous month when 57 remained the same.

The average level of the 102 industry indexes in January was 120.2 up from the December average of 119.4. The median also advanced to 118.5 from 117.8.

The following table summarizes December-January price movements by major industry group:

December to January Changes in Industry Indexes

Major industry group	Total indus- ties	Increases			Decreases			Un- changed
	No.	No.	Average %	Median %	No.	Average %	Median %	
All industries	102	52	1.5	1.1	18	- 0.9	- 0.6	32
Foods and beverages	20	11	1.2	0.5	4	- 0.5	- 0.3	5
Tobacco and tobacco products	1	1	0.2	(1)	-	-	-	-
Rubber products	1	1	0.2	(1)	-	-	-	-
Leather products	4	3	1.2	1.1	-	-	-	1
Textile mills	10	4	1.9	1.7	1	- 0.6	(1)	5
Clothing and knitting mills	4	1	1.1	(1)	1	- 2.1	(1)	2
Wood products	7	7	2.6	2.4	-	-	-	-
Paper products	5	1	2.9	(1)	3	- 0.7	- 0.6	1
Iron and steel products	9	6	0.3	0.2	-	-	-	3
Transportation equipment	3	-	-	-	1	- 0.1	(1)	2
Non-ferrous metal products	5	5	2.9	2.6	-	-	-	-
Electrical apparatus and supplies	5	3	0.7	0.3	1	- 5.9	(1)	1
Non-metallic mineral products	8	5	1.4	1.7	1	- 0.1	(1)	2
Products of petroleum and coal	3	1	0.4	(1)	-	-	-	2
Chemicals and allied products	11	2	0.1	(1)	6	- 0.7	- 0.6	3
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	6	1	4.1	(1)	-	-	-	5

(1) Not relevant.

General Wholesale Index (1935-39=100)

The General Wholesale Index moved up 1.5 per cent in January 1969 to 278.1 from the December 1968 index of 274.0 and was 4.2 per cent higher than the January 1968 index of 266.8. Seven of the eight major group indexes were higher while one declined.

The Non-ferrous Metals Products Group index rose 4.6 per cent in January to 255.6 from the December index of 244.3 in response to higher prices for copper and its products, nickel, lead, zinc and silver. The Wood Products Group index moved up 3.3 per cent to 391.0 from 378.6 reflecting a strong advance in the price of newsprint as well as price increases for cedar, hemlock, and furniture. An advance of 1.2 per cent to 238.9 from 236.0 occurred in the Vegetable Products Group index as a result of higher prices for tea, coffee and cocoa, and fresh fruits. Price increases for tumblers and crude asbestos resulted in a rise of 0.9 per cent to 208.9 from 207.0 in the Non-metallic Minerals Products Group index. An 0.6 per cent rise to 306.1 from 304.4 in the Animal Products Group index reflected higher prices for fishery products and boots and shoes. The Chemical Products Group index advanced 0.5 per cent to 215.3 from 214.2 due to price increases for soaps and detergents, and explosives. A minor increase occurred in the Iron Products Group index to 278.4 from 278.1.

A minor decrease occurred in the Textile Products Group index to 256.5 from 257.1.

The following table shows some of the more noteworthy changes:

Commodity group and sub-group	Percentage changes		
	January 1969 December 1968	January 1968 December 1967	January 1969 January 1968
Non-ferrous metals products group	+ 4.6	- 0.5	+ 0.6
Nickel	+ 8.8	-	+ 8.8
Copper and its products	+ 6.3	(1)	- 4.8
Lead, electrolytic	+ 3.7	-	-
Zinc, domestic	+ 3.7	-	+ 3.7
Solder	+ 2.8	-	+ 8.8
Silver	+ 2.2	- 5.9	+ 1.7
Tin	- 1.8	- 2.1	+ 7.3
Wood products group	+ 3.3	+ 0.7	+ 10.2
Cedar	+ 14.5	+ 1.9	+ 52.6
Hemlock	+ 6.7	- 3.9	+ 18.8
Newsprint and wrapping paper	+ 3.7	+ 0.1	+ 3.1
Paperboard	+ 3.4	+ 0.1	+ 7.0
Furniture	+ 2.3	+ 2.4	+ 2.9
Spruce	+ 1.3	+ 0.7	+ 7.7
Hardwoods	- 1.2	+ 3.0	- 1.3
Vegetable products group	+ 1.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.5
Fruits, fresh	+ 18.8	+ 13.0	- 8.8
Tea, coffee and cocoa	+ 6.8	- 0.5	+ 20.9
Potatoes	+ 4.5	+ 14.8	- 18.0
Livestock and poultry feeds	+ 2.4	+ 1.8	- 9.1
Fruits, canned	+ 2.0	+ 0.7	- 0.5
Onions	- 8.0	+ 5.0	- 24.2
Non-metallic minerals products group	+ 0.9	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
Tumblers	+ 17.7	+ 13.8	+ 17.7
Crushed stone	+ 4.4	+ 0.7	+ 5.3
Asbestos, crude	+ 3.1	+ 0.4	+ 5.0
Sulphur	- 11.8	+ 14.3	- 6.2

(1) Change of 0.05 per cent or less.

Thirty Industrial Materials Index (1935-39=100)

The price index of Thirty Industrial Materials, calculated as an unweighted geometric average, advanced 1.0 per cent to 261.4 in January from the December index of 258.9. Prices were higher for nine commodities, lower for eight and unchanged for thirteen. Principal changes included increases for beef hides, linseed oil, domestic copper, fir timber, domestic lead, domestic zinc, oats and raw sugar while decreases were recorded for unbleached pulp sulphite, tin, hogs and raw cotton.

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

The price index of Canadian Farm Products at terminal markets declined 0.1 per cent to 264.2 in January from the December index of 264.4. A decrease of 0.6 per cent to 343.0 from 345.0 in the Animal Products index reflected lower prices for hogs and eggs on both Eastern and Western markets, and for raw wool in the East and for steers in the West. Higher prices were shown for lambs and calves on both markets, for poultry in the East and for raw wool in the West. The Field Products index advanced 0.9 per cent to 185.4 from 183.8 on higher prices for potatoes, corn and wheat on the Eastern market and for rye, flax and hay in the West.

The Consumer Price Index (1961=100)

The Consumer Price Index for Canada increased by 0.2 per cent to 122.6 in January from 122.3 in December. The latest monthly movement brought the January 1969 index to a level 3.8 per cent above that for January 1968. In the latest month, all main components of the index registered increases with the exception of that for clothing, which declined in response to January sales, and for Tobacco and Alcohol, which was unchanged. The rise was led by advances of 0.5 per cent and 0.7 per cent, respectively, in the relatively important Food and Housing components.

The Food index increased by 0.5 per cent to 125.1 in January from 124.5 in December, with higher prices for restaurant meals and for food consumed at home both contributing to the rise. Home consumed meat, fish and poultry items, on average, were higher in price since the preceding month. Similarly, most fresh produce items registered increases, although imported citrus fruits and tomatoes recorded marked declines. Milk and butter remained unchanged in price, while other staple goods including flour, sugar, and eggs increased since December. Among the items with high sugar content that registered price increases in the latest month were jams, chocolate bars, soft drinks and jelly powders. Bread and margarine, on the other hand, were two important items that showed price declines from the preceding month. The January 1969 Food index was 3.1 per cent higher than its level of January 1968.

The Housing index advanced by 0.7 per cent to 121.9 in January from 121.0 in December. Among the factors contributing to a 1.6 per cent rise in home-ownership costs were higher prices for new houses and increases in mortgage interest rates. Rents, on the other hand, edged up by only 0.2 per cent since the preceding month. Not included in the shelter component was the effect of property tax rebates in Ontario and similar grants in some western provinces. Among the household operation items, mid-winter sales somewhat reduced the price level of furniture, floor coverings and household textiles. Household supplies, by contrast, moved up fractionally. Wage rates for domestic help increased markedly, attaining a level over fifty per cent higher than in 1961. At its January 1969 level of 121.9 the Housing index was 5.0 per cent higher than twelve months earlier.

The Clothing index declined by 1.5 per cent to 121.5 in January from 123.4 in the preceding month, largely due to the usual January clearance sales on these items. Prices of men's suits and overcoats dropped by over five per cent, on average, as did some major items of women's wear, notably winter coats, wool dresses and suits. Sale prices were also recorded in the children's clothing and in the footwear categories. The January Clothing index stood at a level 2.4 per cent higher than twelve months previous.

The Transportation component increased by 0.5 per cent to 116.3 in January from 115.7 in December. Prices for new automobiles and gasoline remained virtually unchanged with seasonally higher train fares accounting for most of the rise in the latest month. The Transportation index was 2.2 per cent higher than its corresponding level a year earlier.

The Health and Personal Care index edged up by 0.1 per cent to 129.5 in January from 129.4 a month earlier as a result of slightly higher prices for toiletries. The latest month's level was 3.8 per cent higher than twelve months ago.

The Recreation and Reading index rose by 0.7 per cent to 124.2 in January from 123.3 in the preceding month. Increased prices were registered for phonograph records, televisions and some Montreal newspapers, while lower quotations were recorded for table radios. The January 1969 Recreation and Reading index was 6.6 per cent above its corresponding level a year earlier.

The Tobacco and Alcohol index was unchanged from its December 1968 level of 121.3 and stood 3.5 per cent higher than its level of January 1968.

Security Price Indexes (1956=100)

The Investors Index of common stock prices edged up 0.8 per cent between December and January to a record high of 203.1. Among the three major groups, Industrials increased 1.7 per cent to an all-time high of 208.7, while Utilities dropped 1.7 per cent to 181.7 and Finance eased 0.5 per cent to 204.2. Within Industrials, indexes for eight sub-groups increased and five decreased. Beverages, Printing and Publishing, and Petroleum reached all-time highs of 311.8, 752.9, and 194.7 respectively by increases all of which were under one per cent. Construction rose 3.3 per cent to 112.8, its highest since 1961, while Pulp and Paper registered the largest increase of 8.6 per cent to 144.4. Of the declines, Retail Trade fell most, 5.0 per cent; this is the fourth consecutive month this sub-group has fallen. In Utilities, indexes for four sub-groups decreased and one increased. Pipelines rose 1.5 per cent to 195.5, while decreases ranged from 1.2 per cent for Transportation to 4.1 per cent for Electric Power. In Finance, both Banks and Investment and Loan registered a decrease of 0.5 per cent, the first time this group has fallen since March last year.

In the same period, the index of Mining stock prices rose 3.8 per cent to a record high of 125.7. This was due to Golds up 1.2 per cent to its highest yet at 172.6, and to Base Metals having advanced 6.5 per cent to 100.1, its largest month to month change for two years.

Of the two supplementary price indexes, uranums decreased 2.3 per cent to 245.9 while Primary Oils and Gas rose 1.9 per cent to an all-time high of 277.6.

The Preferred stock index eased 1.5 per cent from last month to 78.6 from 79.8.

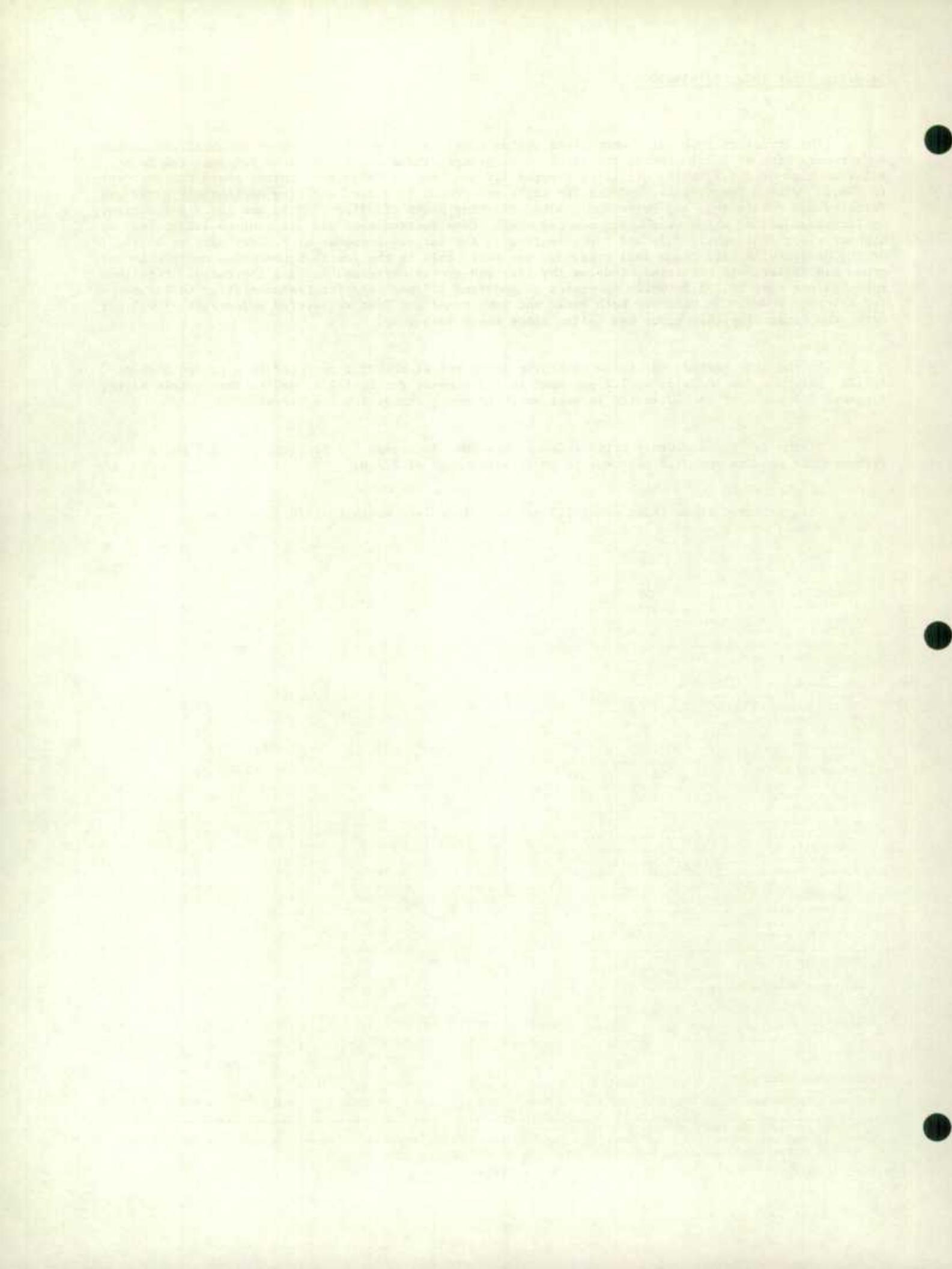


TABLE 1. Summary of Current Price Indexes

	Indexes				Percentage changes		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	Jan. 1969	Jan. 1968	Jan. 1969
					Dec. 1968	Dec. 1967	Jan. 1968
Wholesale price indexes:							
Industry selling price indexes (1956=100) (See textual table page 6)							
General wholesale index (1935-39=100):(1) ...	278.1	274.0	266.8	267.1	+ 1.5	- 0.1	+ 4.2
Vegetable products	238.9	236.0	230.8	230.3	+ 1.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.5
Animal products	306.1	304.4	288.8	292.4	+ 0.6	- 1.2	+ 6.0
Textile products	256.5	257.1	257.4	256.2	- 0.2	+ 0.5	- 0.3
Wood products	391.0	378.6	354.9	352.4	+ 3.3	+ 0.7	+ 10.2
Iron products	278.4	278.1	275.2	275.4	+ 0.1	- 0.1	+ 1.2
Non-ferrous metals	255.6	244.3	254.2	255.6	+ 4.6	- 0.5	+ 0.6
Non-metallic minerals	208.9	207.0	202.3	200.7	+ 0.9	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
Chemical products	215.3	214.2	209.9	216.5	+ 0.5	- 3.0	+ 2.6
Canadian farm products (1935-39=100):(2)	264.2	264.4	253.0	256.3	- 0.1	- 1.3	(2)
Eastern total	285.7	284.8	274.0	274.2	+ 0.3	- 0.1	+ 4.3
Western total	242.7	244.0	231.9	238.4	- 0.5	- 2.7	(2)
Field	185.4	183.8	189.6	186.2	+ 0.9	+ 1.8	(2)
Animal	343.0	345.0	316.3	326.4	- 0.6	- 3.1	+ 8.4
Selected price indexes:(1)							
Thirty industrial materials (1935-39=100) ...	261.4	258.9	253.5	254.3	+ 1.0	- 0.3	+ 3.1
Residential building materials (1949=100) ...	175.9	172.3	163.7	162.4	+ 2.1	+ 0.8	+ 7.5
Non-residential building materials (1949=100)	161.3	159.7	156.7	155.2	+ 1.0	+ 1.0	+ 2.9
Consumer price indexes (1961=100):							
All-items index	122.6	122.3	118.1	117.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 3.8
Food	125.1	124.5	121.3	119.8	+ 0.5	+ 1.3	+ 3.1
Housing	121.9	121.0	116.1	115.5	+ 0.7	+ 0.5	+ 5.0
Clothing	121.5	123.4	118.6	119.7	- 1.5	- 0.9	+ 2.4
Transportation	116.3	115.7	113.8	113.5	+ 0.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.2
Health and personal care	129.5	129.4	124.7	124.8	+ 0.1	- 0.1	+ 3.8
Recreation and reading	124.2	123.3	116.5	116.2	+ 0.7	+ 0.3	+ 6.6
Tobacco and alcohol	121.3	121.3	117.2	114.4	-	+ 2.4	+ 3.5
Security price indexes (1956=100):							
Total investors index	203.1	201.5	174.4	173.6	+ 0.8	+ 0.5	+ 16.5
Total industrials	208.7	205.2	185.2	184.5	+ 1.7	+ 0.4	+ 12.7
Industrial mines	212.8	203.7	214.6	219.2	+ 4.5	- 2.1	- 0.8
Foods	238.9	243.3	205.6	199.7	- 1.8	+ 3.0	+ 16.2
Beverages	311.8	310.8	247.9	235.7	+ 0.3	+ 5.2	+ 25.8
Textiles and clothing	164.3	169.0	172.6	173.4	- 2.8	- 0.5	- 4.8
Pulp and paper	144.4	133.0	104.8	107.5	+ 8.6	- 2.5	+ 37.8
Printing and publishing	752.9	747.6	673.6	673.4	+ 0.7	--	+ 11.8
Primary metals	111.8	109.0	94.9	95.7	+ 2.6	- 0.8	+ 17.8
Metal fabricating	157.5	157.7	106.0	103.4	- 0.1	+ 2.5	+ 48.6
Non-metallic minerals	130.3	131.4	98.7	89.8	- 0.8	+ 9.9	+ 32.0
Petroleum	194.7	193.7	178.6	176.7	+ 0.5	+ 1.1	+ 9.0
Chemicals	126.3	121.2	100.4	98.3	+ 4.2	+ 2.1	+ 25.8
Construction	112.8	109.2	63.7	58.2	+ 3.3	+ 9.5	+ 77.1
Retail trade	275.2	289.8	273.3	266.3	- 5.0	+ 2.6	+ 0.7
Total utilities	181.7	184.9	162.3	161.8	- 1.7	+ 0.3	+ 12.0
Pipeline	195.5	192.6	181.1	186.8	+ 1.5	- 3.1	+ 8.0
Transportation	247.3	250.2	181.3	185.7	- 1.2	- 2.4	+ 36.4
Telephone	110.7	114.0	104.8	104.1	- 2.9	+ 0.7	+ 5.6
Electric power	138.3	144.2	129.6	128.6	- 4.1	+ 0.8	+ 6.7
Gas distribution	432.2	442.7	392.4	374.2	- 2.4	+ 4.9	+ 10.1
Total finance	204.2	205.2	137.4	135.4	- 0.5	+ 1.5	+ 48.6
Banks	223.5	224.6	141.9	139.1	- 0.5	+ 2.0	+ 57.5
Investment and loan	166.2	167.1	128.3	127.8	- 0.5	+ 0.4	+ 29.5
Mining stocks:							
General index	125.7	121.1	111.6	107.0	+ 3.8	+ 4.3	+ 12.6
Golds	172.6	170.6	163.2	152.1	+ 1.2	+ 7.3	+ 5.8
Base metals	100.1	94.0	83.4	82.3	+ 6.5	+ 1.3	+ 20.0
Supplementary indexes:							
Uraniums	245.9	251.7	276.5	268.6	- 2.3	+ 2.9	- 11.1
Primary oils and gas	277.6	272.4	228.1	220.4	+ 1.9	+ 3.5	+ 21.7

(1) Indexes for 1968 and 1969 are subject to revision.

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

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Foods and beverages industries:							
Slaughtering and meat packing industry	135.8	135.9	126.4	127.8	130.6	136.5	120.8
Bacon and sides	118.5	115.5	103.6	106.9	119.9	144.7	132.4
Beef, fresh or frozen	148.0	148.7	146.5	149.1	148.7	137.7	120.3
Hams, cured	134.0	135.0	113.6	114.1	117.4	131.6	116.0
Lard	99.4	99.4	98.3	97.8	110.0	133.4	123.1
Margarine	94.8	94.5	94.7	95.3	96.2	99.2	97.5
Mutton and lamb, fresh or frozen	156.3	137.3	131.0	122.0	134.8	133.8	126.8
Pork, fresh or frozen	138.8	142.2	116.1	118.3	119.1	134.0	121.2
Poultry, fresh or frozen	80.4	80.4	79.2	78.0	81.9	90.2	78.7
Sausage, fresh	129.1	126.6	124.0	124.9	130.2	145.3	129.1
Veal, fresh or frozen	177.9	168.6	172.9	159.3	162.8	150.1	126.9
Wieners and bologna	144.7	145.6	143.9	147.4	149.5	154.5	136.2
Butter and cheese factories industry	132.7	133.5	126.1	125.8	124.0	117.0	108.4
Butter	114.1	114.1	111.9	111.1	110.1	103.2	94.5
Milk, whole, fresh	161.6	165.5	147.2	147.2	143.8	135.2	124.9
Concentrated milk products industry	131.0	131.1	131.7	132.8	130.9	122.4	116.0
Milk, whole, evaporated	126.3	126.3	126.5	128.0	126.7	120.2	115.9
Milk, whole, powder, spray process	121.3	122.0	120.5	120.5	119.5	114.7	112.4
Milk, skim, powder, spray process	154.6	154.6	158.1	158.7	154.2	135.3	118.8
Cheese, processed, industry	128.3	127.7	132.7	131.0	125.0	117.7	112.6
Dairy products, other, industry	108.3	108.3	106.6	106.4	106.4	107.0	105.5
Fish processing industry	174.8	167.9	167.2	165.8	160.6	156.2	148.2
Cod, fillets, frozen	170.3	153.2	154.7	151.0	149.0	148.2	125.8
Salmon, canned, sockeye	133.7	133.7	132.9	132.9	132.9	133.8	130.3
Fruit and vegetable preparations industry ..	120.2	121.6	118.8	120.2	117.4	115.1	111.9
Jams	126.0	124.8	122.4	122.4	116.8	116.0	118.8
Corn, creamed, whole grain, canned	133.1	138.6	137.2	130.7	126.7	121.0	118.9
Peaches, canned	153.6	151.1	152.0	150.0	141.7	138.0	126.5
Peas, canned	119.2	125.4	127.6	128.2	121.7	112.3	109.3
Soups, canned	104.7	104.7	100.1	105.6	103.7	101.6	98.3
Tomato juice, canned	113.6	126.3	124.5	123.4	125.0	123.0	121.1
Feed mills industry	109.0	108.6	115.0	114.2	117.0	117.3	112.8
Feeds, dairy and cattle	104.6	103.6	114.4	113.3	113.8	112.0	107.7
Feeds, poultry, laying and hatching	108.8	109.5	114.4	113.7	118.4	119.7	115.6

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Foods and beverages industries - Concluded:							
Flour mills industry	125.6	125.6	123.8	127.4	129.0	123.1	121.9
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 2 patent	128.5	128.5	122.7	124.2	128.2	125.1	118.8
Wheat flour, Spring, No. 3 patent	121.8	123.1	117.6	124.2	126.3	118.0	122.9
Wheat flour, Ontario winter	116.1	116.1	115.6	117.4	117.4	113.9	118.4
Shorts and middlings	119.2	114.5	132.5	134.9	131.7	124.8	115.4
Breakfast foods industry	143.5	143.1	136.5	135.7	135.7	129.8	128.5
Biscuits industry	128.0	128.0	128.0	128.4	125.4	120.8	119.6
Bread and other bakery products industry ...	142.8	142.3	140.2	138.9	136.3	134.9	131.6
Bread	152.1	152.1	148.8	148.8	143.6	140.2	134.8
Pies, cakes, cookies and pastries	121.9	119.7	119.7	116.7	120.1	123.3	124.1
Rolls and buns, plain	140.6	140.6	140.6	137.2	136.3	137.0	134.7
Carbonated beverages industry	140.7	139.2	134.1	132.9	130.7	127.4	125.5
Distilled liquors industry	117.2	117.2	117.4	113.6	113.6	113.5	113.3
Breweries industry	118.9	117.1	116.6	110.7	112.0	109.4	109.4
Beer in small bottles	114.7	113.3	112.7	108.0	109.2	108.3	108.3
Wines industry	104.4	104.3	104.3	103.1	100.3	96.6	96.8
Confectionery industry	130.1	129.4	125.2	123.8	122.8	120.0	121.7
Chewing gum	103.4	102.7	102.5	101.0	101.0	100.0	101.3
Chocolate bars	122.0	120.8	113.3	113.8	112.9	113.9	116.0
Chocolate, in packages	144.5	143.8	138.9	139.8	137.1	130.3	130.9
Sugar confectionery, in bulk	145.1	144.6	143.5	137.6	137.8	133.6	136.4
Sugar refining industry	105.2	104.4	93.7	95.1	90.7	87.2	92.1
Sugar, granulated, cane and beet	105.1	104.4	93.8	95.2	90.8	87.2	92.1
Sugar, yellow or brown, cane and beet	103.8	102.9	91.3	93.7	89.2	86.2	91.3
Sugar, icing, cane and beet	108.8	107.1	95.1	95.3	91.0	88.4	94.0
Miscellaneous food preparations industry ...	92.5	89.8	91.1	89.3	91.6	94.2	93.5
Coffee, roasted	72.6	73.9	75.6	74.2	75.0	78.2	77.5
Jelly powders	123.6	117.7	116.4	115.8	118.5	117.2	114.7
Tea, blended, packaged	99.3	92.6	93.6	93.4	97.9	99.6	100.4
Macaroni and kindred products industry	144.7	144.7	140.7	141.7	141.4	135.2	132.4

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Tobacco and tobacco products industries:							
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes industry	120.3	120.1	120.5	120.6	117.6	109.6	105.8
Tobacco, smoking, fine cut	120.7	120.7	120.7	120.9	116.3	110.3	109.2
Cigarettes	120.7	120.7	121.3	121.4	118.9	108.9	105.4
Rubber products industries:							
Rubber goods, including footwear, industry	102.6	102.4	96.3	98.9	99.0	96.6	94.0
Tires, balloon, bus and truck	97.2	97.0	90.8	95.2	95.7	93.0	88.8
Tires, balloon, passenger cars, standard	98.4	97.9	89.3	93.5	93.6	91.0	89.4
Hose, fire, garden, etc.	125.0	125.0	117.7	117.1	114.3	109.5	103.2
Leather products industries:							
Footwear, leather industry	131.5	130.2	127.5	126.0	126.0	122.9	114.8
Men's goodyear welts	148.6	144.6	142.6	136.1	136.1	132.2	118.3
Misses' vulcanized and stitchdowns	121.4	118.9	114.4	117.0	117.0	116.4	111.3
Children's and little gents' vulcanized and stitchdowns	136.2	135.6	130.6	131.5	131.5	128.8	117.8
Gloves and mittens, leather, industry	134.0	132.2	131.1	132.0	132.3	127.0	112.3
Gloves and mittens, dress, men's lined ...	124.7	120.2	116.0	114.5	114.5	109.7	106.3
Gloves and mittens, work, men's unlined ..	139.9	139.8	140.6	142.9	143.5	137.8	116.1
Leather tanning industry	138.8	137.3	126.3	124.5	132.2	145.6	123.0
Upper leather, cattle hides	138.1	135.3	122.2	119.8	128.4	142.7	120.4
Upper leather, chrome splits	114.0	117.3	121.2	117.9	135.8	141.3	118.8
Sole leather, bends	141.8	141.3	140.0	137.7	148.3	162.3	135.0
Sole leather, shoulders	117.9	117.2	119.6	116.4	127.0	147.9	130.3
Belting, leather, industry	113.2	113.2	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4	99.4
Textile mills industries:							
Cotton thread industry	141.6	142.4	138.9	138.9	137.8	132.0	129.4
Cotton yarn and cloth industry	105.4	105.4	104.9	103.8	104.1	101.6	100.1
Cotton fabrics, grey	111.0	111.3	110.3	110.0	109.8	107.2	105.2
Yarn, spun cotton, grey, knitting	101.6	101.6	102.3	101.7	102.2	101.3	99.4
Woollen cloth industry	126.0	125.9	125.6	123.4	123.8	120.9	120.2
Woven fabrics, all wool, worsted	109.9	109.9	109.1	107.7	108.6	107.8	106.0

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Textile mills industries - Concluded:							
Woollen yarn industry	104.6	104.6	103.6	102.9	104.3	105.3	105.3
Yarns, worsted, oil spun, machine knitting	108.7	108.7	106.6	107.0	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	102.0	98.0	97.2	96.3	96.4	96.8	98.4
Carpets, mats and rugs industry	94.7	94.7	97.4	96.9	97.3	98.2	98.3
Carpets, wilton in rolls	100.0	100.0	105.3	104.9	104.9	105.4	105.1
Carpets, tufted	89.5	89.5	89.5	88.8	89.6	91.0	91.5
Cordage, rope and twine industry	115.3	114.0	112.2	113.4	115.3	118.2	126.1
Twine, all sisal	119.0	119.0	119.0	119.0	132.1	137.7	137.9
Bags, cotton and jute, industry	128.6	128.6	122.4	122.1	123.5	129.1	119.5
Bags, cotton	109.0	109.0	109.0	109.0	109.0	111.0	108.6
Bags, jute	146.2	146.2	134.5	133.9	136.5	145.2	129.3
Oilcloth, linoleum and other coated fabrics industry	119.1	116.5	116.2	114.5	114.3	113.3	112.5
Clothing and knitting mills industries:							
Clothing, men's factory, industry	128.8	131.6 ^r	125.8	124.2	122.5	117.6	113.8
Jackets, separate, civilian	166.3	169.5 ^r	157.3	159.0	152.6	143.4	130.2
Shirts, cotton, fine	113.1	111.4	109.8	108.3	108.3	106.7	103.1
Shirts, cotton, work	117.5	117.5	111.5	110.2	109.5	103.7	102.4
Pyjamas	115.4	117.0	114.6	109.8	110.1	107.6	108.0
Hosiery industry	88.5	88.5	88.5	88.7	88.6	86.0	85.8
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, seamless, fine	94.1	94.1	94.1	94.1	93.3	88.6	88.6
Socks, wool and wool mixtures, men's, work	113.8	113.8	113.8	112.8	112.5	109.6	107.4
Other knitted goods industry	90.3	90.3	88.9	87.4	87.6	85.2	85.0
Knitted goods, infants', all kinds	116.0	116.0	112.1	112.1	112.1	112.1	109.5
Linings, glove and shoe .....	..	..	117.2	117.2	117.2	111.2	106.9

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Clothing and knitting mills industries - Concluded:							
Hats and caps industry	128.7	127.3	125.4	124.1	120.7	114.2	107.6
Wood products industries:							
Veneers and plywoods industry	112.6	108.9 ^r	101.4	101.1	98.0	95.4	93.0
Veneer, yellow birch	94.4	94.4	96.3	96.2	96.3	93.2	90.2
Plywood, Douglas fir	123.4	117.4 ^r	103.9	103.5	97.9	94.4	93.4
Plywood, yellow birch	99.9	99.9	99.6	99.6	99.3	97.9	94.7
Doors, veneer and plywood, slab-type	109.4	104.5	99.5	99.8	99.8	..	93.4
Sash, door and planing mills industry	140.6	138.2	125.2	124.9	122.3	115.8	107.7
Sash and doors	158.4	163.3	142.6	142.6	140.2	133.3	126.6
Lumber, matched	148.5	147.0	136.5	134.9	131.2	123.7	115.8
Lumber, planed	123.2	114.9	107.1	106.9	104.8	98.7	90.2
Mouldings	164.8	164.8	151.5	152.0	145.4	139.0	124.3
Flooring, hardwood, industry	130.6	127.6	124.1	122.9	119.4	111.4	100.8
Flooring, birch	137.0	133.1	130.1	128.6	123.1	111.9	99.6
Flooring, red oak	124.1	122.0	118.0	117.1	115.6	110.8	101.9
Lumber mills industry	141.1	137.8 ^r	117.0	114.6	110.1	107.0	103.0
Pine, white	124.4	122.3	113.2	113.7	113.2	111.2	107.8
Pine, jack and lodge-pole	121.2	117.9	106.6	106.6	103.1	96.3	90.3
Birch, yellow	122.0	121.4	119.1	117.9	117.9	115.7	110.3
Maple, hard	109.0	119.3	120.5	117.1	116.9	107.2	97.5
Cedar	183.5	182.8 ^r	151.0	149.7	141.3	135.7	129.2
Spruce	126.8	122.9	105.7	103.5	99.8	98.2	94.9
Spruce, B.C. interior	132.8	125.8	100.5	97.5	92.1	91.5	89.2
Spruce, East of Rockies	120.8	119.9	111.0	109.7	107.7	104.8	100.6
Hemlock, B.C. coast	153.8	143.5 ^r	118.3	112.9	109.5	104.8	99.6
Fir, Douglas	154.7	151.8 ^r	121.6	118.7	111.4	108.8	106.1
Fir, Douglas, B.C. interior	177.8	173.3	133.3	..	..	112.5	110.8
Fir, Douglas, B.C. coast	138.3	136.5 ^r	113.2	107.4	105.4	106.2	102.8
Shingle mills industry	237.0	221.8 ^r	146.4	140.9	118.1	115.9	122.8
Furniture industry	120.9	119.3	117.9	116.2	116.0	112.9	109.8
Bedroom furniture, wooden, not upholstered	118.9	116.0	115.0	115.0	115.1	110.9	109.3
Living room furniture, upholstered	129.8	129.5	126.2	122.7	122.0	118.8	114.9
Office furnishings and fixtures, wooden ..	136.2	136.2	142.4	137.4	136.8	132.8	129.4
Office and store furnishings and fixtures, metal	131.2	128.1	122.5	122.7	122.1	120.2	114.1
Mattresses, spring filled	103.7	102.4	101.3	99.1	99.1	96.7	96.0
Boxes and baskets, wood, industry	149.1	148.5	140.5	134.4	133.2	124.1	119.9

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Paper products industries:							
Boxes and bags, paper, industry	118.6	118.6	116.3	114.9	114.8	110.8	106.6
Boxes, folding	117.9	117.9	115.8	115.7	116.0	111.7	105.5
Boxes, corrugated, including wrappers	119.3	119.3	114.8	114.9	114.5	108.9	104.6
Bags, self-opening, square	96.0	105.5	113.5	111.0	111.0	107.9	104.9
Pulp mills industry	101.1	101.7	102.6	103.1	103.2	102.6	102.7
Sulphite, bleached, paper grade, domestic market	94.1	92.8	93.5	93.6	93.8	94.0	94.0
Groundwood pulp, export market	105.6	104.5	105.7	105.6	105.1	105.0	100.6
Sulphate, bleached, export market	100.6	102.6	103.5	106.4	105.9	104.5	106.3
Paper mills industry	116.7	113.4	113.9	113.7	112.8	109.5	107.6
Paper, book	132.9	133.2	131.7	131.7	131.8	123.8	116.4
Paper, fine	132.1	130.4	126.2	126.2	128.3	121.9	116.6
Box board, for folding cartons	108.9	108.9	108.9	108.9	109.0	107.7	107.0
Building board	102.5	100.8	100.3	100.5	99.2	98.3	98.1
Paper, newsprint, white, in rolls	117.5	113.2	114.2	114.0	112.7	109.3	107.8
Paper, wrapping, Kraft No. 1	118.3	117.1	117.1	116.9	116.7	114.6	108.1
Roofing paper industry	90.4	91.5	84.7	84.5	82.4	78.6	81.6
Roll roofing, smooth surfaced	96.5	98.5	91.0	91.0	87.8	81.0	81.1
Roll roofing, felt, mineral surfaced	92.5	94.5	87.5	87.5	83.9	76.5	75.9
Felts, tar and asphalt saturated	82.0	82.8	77.2	76.0	75.2	69.5	72.8
Shingles, felt, asphalt saturated, rag and asbestos	79.4	81.0	72.2	72.2	69.5	64.5	64.0
Miscellaneous paper goods industry	117.4	117.7	117.0	116.8	114.0	109.7	106.0
Envelopes	122.2	122.2	122.2	122.2	117.9	111.1	106.9
Paper, toilet, packaged	116.4	117.1	116.8	116.9	111.6	106.5	103.8
Paper, waxed, including bread wrappers	116.6	115.3	112.2	112.3	111.1	107.5	103.6
Tissues, facial	104.2	105.6	105.6	105.9	102.8	100.9	97.5
Iron and steel products industries:							
Agricultural implements industry	130.1	130.1	127.1	124.4	123.5	121.5	117.4
Drills, grain and fertilizer, combination	145.5	145.5	139.7	136.3	135.1	132.2	128.4
Harrow-ploughs, one-way discs, tiller combines	126.8	126.8	124.6	124.6	123.8	124.4	121.2
Combines, reaper-threshers and stationary threshers	129.2	129.2	126.6	123.0	122.2	119.8	115.4
Swathers or windrowers	120.6	120.6	118.2	121.7	121.0	122.7	119.0

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Iron and steel products industries-							
Concluded:							
Hardware, tools and cutlery industry	132.4	132.1	131.2	130.0	129.1	124.7	120.2
Heating and cooking apparatus industry	96.1	96.0	96.4	93.9	93.7	92.2	93.5
Furnaces, oil, gravity or forced air circulation	90.4	90.4	92.7	93.6	92.6	92.4	92.9
Stoves and ranges, cooking, gas	100.2	99.2	100.7	96.3	97.1	96.8	96.3
Machinery, household, office and store, industry	103.6	103.6	103.0	101.5	101.4	100.1	99.9
Castings, iron, industry	120.4	120.2	117.2	118.3	117.5	113.8	110.6
Soil pipe and fittings, cast iron	122.3	122.3	119.6	116.9	117.6	112.8	108.2
Pipe fittings, malleable iron, all kinds	129.1	129.1	129.1	129.1	130.6	133.7	126.4
Castings, grey iron, commercial	126.6	126.8	124.5	124.5	121.6	119.1	116.4
Steel pipe and tubing .....	..	..	92.3	98.3	99.4	99.6	98.2
Pig iron industry	102.9	102.9	102.9	102.9	104.3	104.3	104.1
Steel ingots and castings industry	128.3	128.2	128.2	128.2	128.0	122.4	122.2
Rolled iron and steel products industry	111.3	111.1	111.1	111.2	111.2	109.4	108.6
Hot-rolled products, bars, all grades excluding concrete reinforcing bars	104.2	104.0	104.3	104.3	104.2	105.3	104.3
Sheets, cold-rolled, reducing mill production	117.1	117.1	117.2	117.2	116.4	112.0	111.7
Wire and wire goods industry	113.7	113.0	112.2	111.9	111.4	110.6	109.6
Nails, wire, iron and steel	100.5	100.5	98.0	98.0	98.4	104.2	105.1
Woven wire, farm fence, steel	120.0	116.5	116.5	114.2	113.8	111.1	109.2
Wire cloth, Fourdrinier	122.0	122.0	119.0	115.6	115.8	113.6	104.8
Rope, steel wire	109.0	109.0	109.0	108.4	107.0	103.0	103.5
Wire, plain	126.6	126.6	126.6	126.2	126.3	123.8	122.2
Transportation equipment industries:							
Boatbuilding industry	135.3	135.3	135.3	134.3	137.6	132.8	130.3
Motor vehicles industry	121.4	121.5	120.7	120.3	118.2	118.1	119.0
Passenger cars, hard-top	122.3	122.3	121.6	121.3	120.3	120.6	121.0
Passenger cars, 4-door sedan	121.3	121.3	120.7	120.3	118.2	117.8	119.2
Trucks, 5,000 lbs. or less, gross vehicle weight	121.1	121.1	119.1	118.3	116.5	116.6	116.0
Trucks, 5,001-10,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight	120.1	120.1	119.7	119.3	117.1	117.9	117.9

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Transportation equipment industries - Concluded:							
Motor vehicles parts industry	117.4	117.4	113.8	113.5	113.5	110.6	110.2
Non-ferrous metal products industries:							
Aluminum products industry	116.0	113.0	112.4	112.8	112.8	111.7	110.6
Sheets	114.2	112.6	112.0	112.0	112.3	115.1	115.8
Utensils, cooking	161.2	155.5	150.7	150.4	149.7	142.7	135.4
Brass and copper products industry	125.9	119.9	127.8	126.9	120.7	115.7	100.8
Ingots, brass and bronze	142.3	131.7	139.4	139.7	133.8	138.6	116.9
Faucets and combinations, sink, bath and lavatory	146.1	145.1	144.5	133.1	133.1	131.6	118.8
Jewellery and silverware industry	188.2	184.4	179.1	180.1	157.6	138.6	133.2
Gold alloys	136.4	134.0	123.5	122.0	116.8	112.4	111.6
Flatware and cutlery, silver-plated	152.6	146.0	136.4	133.4	125.2	114.2	107.3
Non-ferrous metal smelting and refining industry	125.4	121.0	123.4	123.7	119.2	114.9	112.9
White metal alloys industry	120.2	119.0	118.7	118.6	116.6	120.1	118.7
Lead, antimonial	101.2	99.4	99.4	98.8	96.3	102.2	104.7
Solders	142.9	143.0	135.1	134.9	134.8	142.1	149.9
Type and type metals	114.5	117.1	116.0	116.0	112.4	115.1	113.4
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries:							
Batteries industry	115.1	115.1	114.4	115.4	114.5	107.7	104.8
Batteries, storage, automotive	100.9	100.9	97.2	98.8	98.0	93.6	89.9
Batteries, drycell, radio, non-portable ..	118.4	118.4	118.4	118.6	117.7	111.4	110.0
Batteries, drycell, flashlight	166.8	166.8	168.2	168.5	166.4	150.6	146.9
Machinery, heavy electrical, industry(1) ...	92.4	92.1 ^r	93.3	94.0	95.4	93.8	91.2
Industrial control equipment(1)	95.8	96.6 ^r	98.2	100.3	102.8	101.2	96.2
Motors a-c	88.6	88.6	88.4	90.2	89.9	88.4	89.0
Motors d-c	115.8	115.8	116.8	119.5	118.6	116.4	116.5
Transformers	87.8	87.3 ^r	91.7	91.6	94.1	91.1	87.1
Radio and television sets and parts industry .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Television sets, table model, including portable 18" to 23"	80.1	79.9	81.9	81.8	81.8	80.2	81.1
Television sets, console model, 18" to 23" ...	78.2	78.0	79.2	77.2	77.2	77.9	79.5

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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

(1956=100)

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Electrical apparatus and supplies industries -							
Concluded:							
Refrigerators, vacuum cleaners and appliances industry	79.3	79.2	78.6	79.1	78.6	78.2	79.0
Stoves or ranges, cooking, domestic, over 35 amps.	83.4	83.4	83.7	84.9	83.9	84.0	83.2
Irons, automatic, flat	94.2	94.0	87.8	88.2	89.2	88.7	87.3
Washing machines, electric, domestic, automatic type	95.2	95.2	94.3	95.3	95.0	93.9	93.1
Refrigerators, household	71.6	71.6	71.2	71.5	70.6	69.1	70.5
Miscellaneous electrical apparatus and supplies industry	106.7	113.4	111.2	109.8	109.1	103.1	98.7
Lamps, incandescent, standard	150.2	151.5	148.8	149.8	146.9	140.8	131.8
Lamps, fluorescent	116.0	116.0	116.0	111.2	111.0	110.8	110.0
Lighting fixtures, fluorescent, commercial	106.4	106.4	106.4	106.2	105.9	99.5	101.3
Wires and cables industry	108.9	107.1	122.5	122.8	117.8	113.9	99.7
Conductors, un-insulated: Copper, copperweld, including trolley wires	118.9	115.3	125.5	126.6	120.3	111.4	101.7
Conductors, insulated: Weatherproof wires, all types	108.9	107.3	122.2	122.2	116.2	108.4	98.0
Rubber-insulated and braided	103.2	99.4	132.5	132.4	125.8	119.2	87.6
Magnet wires, enamelled	110.6	110.6	123.8	123.8	118.6	113.7	101.4
Non-metallic mineral products industries:							
Abrasives, artificial, industry	123.6	123.7	123.2	123.9	123.0	119.4	115.9
Alumina, fused, crude	117.2	117.3	119.2	120.7	120.5	117.3	113.2
Silicon carbide, crude	117.6	117.8	117.0	117.7	117.6	114.0	113.8
Cement, hydraulic, industry	136.3	134.0	130.1	128.2	128.2	121.8	115.4
Clay products from imported clay industry ..	124.1	121.3	119.8	117.6	117.5	115.9	112.1
Glass and glass products industry	117.1	117.1	114.1	114.2	114.2	111.9	109.3
Lime industry	118.3	118.3	116.6	117.6	117.6	116.1	114.6
Gypsum products industry	119.5	119.4	114.4	114.3	114.3	109.2	107.9
Lath, gypsum	117.2	117.2	112.4	112.4	112.4	108.9	107.8

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Non-metallic mineral products industries -							
Concluded:							
Concrete products industry	117.9	116.7	115.3	113.8	114.2	110.9	105.5
Blocks, gravel, building	110.8	109.4	109.5	105.8	107.0	102.3	100.5
Concrete, ready-mixed	130.1	129.0	129.0	129.0	129.0	127.2	117.5
Clay products from domestic clay industry ..	123.8	121.6	120.1	119.4	118.7	114.3	111.0
Brick, dry press, face	108.3	106.4	106.4	103.3	103.0	101.9	98.7
Tile, structural, hollow blocks	141.8	134.4	131.9	131.9	130.9	122.4	117.1
Products of petroleum and coal industries:							
Coke and gas products industry	117.9	117.4	117.7	117.7	116.6	113.3	112.3
Petroleum refining and products industry ...	96.3	96.3	93.9	93.8	94.2	93.5	93.2
Fuel oil, stove, No. 1	106.6	106.6	101.5	101.5	101.3	98.8	98.8
Diesel fuel	103.3	103.3	97.6	97.6	97.6	97.5	98.0
Fuel oil, light	106.7	106.7	101.2	101.2	100.8	98.3	98.3
Fuel oil, heavy	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.5	89.4
Lubricating oils and greases industry	135.5	135.5	131.6	126.7	124.8	120.9	118.2
Chemicals and allied products industries:							
Acids, alkalies and salts industry	108.7	108.9 ^r	105.9	106.2	106.6	103.4	102.5
Chlorine, liquid	95.6	95.6	95.6	99.0	99.0	96.9	96.8
Sodium hydroxide (caustic soda)	109.0	109.0	103.8	104.4	104.4	102.7	102.5
Fertilizers industry	109.7	111.2	113.2	111.7	111.5	108.6	107.5
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations industry	108.6	109.4 ^r	104.6	106.1	104.4	101.7	98.3
Patent medicines	143.8	147.0	132.9	138.3	133.0	131.1	120.7
Ethical preparations for human use	110.8	110.8 ^r	107.7	107.9	107.7	104.2	102.9
Vitamin preparations	87.0	87.0 ^r	86.3	86.5	87.5	86.2	86.5
Paints, varnishes and lacquers industry	120.1	120.0	118.0	113.9	113.3	108.3	108.4
Lacquers, clear	109.5	108.5	108.2	99.0	100.8	103.2	106.3
Enamels, ready-mixed, oil and synthetic ..	120.6	120.9	118.7	116.1	115.1	108.4	108.2
Thinner, lacquer, paint and enamel	100.5	99.5	99.0	99.0	103.0	102.6	100.2
Paints, latex emulsion	131.0	131.0	127.6	122.0	119.7	114.5	113.0
Paints, ready-mixed, including asphalt and tar paints	122.3	122.1	120.3	114.6	112.4	108.1	109.3
Varnishes, including japans, shellacs, and driers	117.0	117.1	114.8	114.1	118.2	112.4	108.2

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

Industries and selected commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Chemicals and allied products industries -							
Concluded:							
Soaps, washing compounds and cleaning preparations industry	116.1	117.9 ^r	114.5	116.9	115.4	113.1	117.5
Vegetable oils industry	100.4	100.8	104.8	104.6	105.6	112.9	106.6
Soya bean oilcake	131.4	132.6	136.0	134.6	138.2	151.4	134.9
Linseed oil, raw	85.1	82.3	87.9	88.2	80.8	77.1	80.7
Primary plastics industry	86.8	86.8	86.8	87.7	87.4	84.6	83.3
Synthetic resins, phenol-formaldehyde type	76.8	76.8	76.3	76.3	77.6	78.6	78.8
Inks, printing, industry	108.2	108.2	108.2	104.1	104.1	101.3	99.6
Polishes and dressings industry	126.2	126.0 ^r	119.0	121.0	119.2	115.5	114.8
Wax, liquid, self-polishing	125.1	124.9 ^r	113.6	117.0	117.0	115.2	114.0
Gases, compressed, industry	114.6	114.7	112.1	109.9	110.4	110.6	110.8
Adhesives industry	109.4	109.4	109.4	109.4	109.2	107.9	107.8
Glue, synthetic resin	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	101.4	101.3
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries:							
Typewriter supplies industry	109.2	109.2	109.2	109.2	110.3	109.1	108.2
Fountain pens and pencils industry	109.1	109.1	109.0	107.0	106.8	105.0	103.0
Clocks, watches and watch cases industry ...	126.2	126.2	125.2	124.0	123.6	120.2	109.3
Buttons, buckles and fasteners industry	107.9	107.9	107.9	107.9	108.0	104.9	106.7
Candles industry	143.5	137.8	133.4	133.4	131.8	115.1	106.9
Pipes, lighters and smokers' supplies industry	99.9	99.9	97.4	97.4	97.2	96.8	95.2

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

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

General Wholesale Index and Principal Components

Date	General whole- sale index	Veg- table pro- ducts	Animal pro- ducts	Textile pro- ducts	Wood pro- ducts	Iron pro- ducts	Non- ferrous metals pro- ducts(1)	Non- metallic minerals products	Chemical products
1958	227.8	198.1	250.7	229.0	298.5	252.6	167.3	188.5	183.0
1959	230.6	199.5	254.3	228.0	304.0	255.7	174.6	186.5	187.0
1960	230.9	203.0	247.6	229.8	303.8	256.2	177.8	185.6	188.2
1961	233.3	203.1	254.7	234.5	305.1	258.1	181.6	185.2	188.7
1962	240.0	211.6	262.5	241.2	315.9	256.2	192.1	189.1	190.5
1963	244.6	227.8	255.6	248.0	323.4	253.6	197.5	189.5	189.3
1964	245.4	223.3	250.8	248.4	330.9	256.4	205.9	190.9	191.2
1965	250.4	218.4	270.7	246.6	334.0	264.5	217.6	191.6	200.2
1966	259.5	225.9	296.2	251.5	337.8	268.0	229.9	193.7	207.1
1967	264.1	230.9	293.1	252.7	346.3	274.4	240.2	199.2	212.6
1966 - Jan.	256.4	220.6	295.4	247.6	331.0	266.5	229.8	193.6	206.1
Feb.	259.2	223.7	304.5	250.0	331.5	267.3	230.0	193.8	208.7
Mar.	258.6	225.8	296.2	250.5	332.9	267.3	229.8	193.8	208.9
Apr.	258.2	226.7	291.0	251.5	334.8	267.6	229.8	192.5	208.6
May	258.9	227.0	293.2	252.0	336.0	268.2	229.6	192.5	206.9
June	259.8	225.7	296.1	252.2	339.9	268.3	229.3	192.6	209.7
July	259.8	226.9	292.2	252.7	342.4	268.5	229.2	193.7	205.5
Aug.	260.4	226.4	297.1	251.8	342.7	268.5	229.1	193.6	204.4
Sept.	260.7	225.4	299.8	252.3	342.5	269.1	229.0	194.1	204.3
Oct.	260.3	226.0	298.6	252.7	340.1	268.6	228.2	194.7	207.5
Nov.	260.3	227.3	294.1	252.2	339.6	269.4	232.6	194.9	206.8
Dec.	261.2	229.2	296.4	252.5	340.6	268.0	232.6	195.1	207.4
1967 - Jan.	261.8	230.7	294.7	250.0	341.3	272.1	232.5	196.9	208.4
Feb.	262.9	232.2	294.5	249.9	342.0	273.2	236.5	196.9	210.0
Mar.	262.4	231.2	290.6	251.4	343.3	272.9	236.6	198.4	209.3
Apr.	262.7	231.5	289.2	252.4	344.4	273.4	236.6	199.4	209.2
May	263.6	233.2	293.2	252.9	344.3	273.7	235.9	198.7	208.7
June	264.1	233.7	295.1	252.8	343.8	273.3	236.0	198.9	212.4
July	263.9	231.2	292.6	252.5	347.0	275.8	235.7	199.4	212.5
Aug.	264.8	231.2	294.2	252.2	348.1	275.4	240.0	200.1	214.6
Sept.	265.1	228.0	295.3	253.2	349.4	275.8	244.6	199.9	215.5
Oct.	265.3	228.2	295.4	253.7	349.5	275.8	245.6	200.2	215.4
Nov.	265.3	229.0	290.4	255.0	350.5	275.8	246.7	200.7	218.1
Dec.	267.1	230.3	292.4	256.2	352.4	275.4	255.6	200.7	216.5
1968(2) - Jan.	266.8	230.8	288.8	257.4	354.9	275.2	254.2	202.3	209.9
Feb.	266.9	229.9	286.2	255.9	358.7	276.3	253.0	204.1	213.8
Mar.	268.0	230.7	285.8	255.7	360.9	276.5	258.8	204.5	213.7
Apr.	267.2	228.0	285.1	254.6	362.5	276.6	255.6	205.6	215.1
May	268.7	229.0	289.3	255.4	364.0	276.6	257.8	206.1	214.3
June	270.3	230.9	294.4	255.8	364.9	276.6	259.1	206.3	215.6
July	269.2	229.9	296.2	256.1	365.3	276.7	246.8	206.3	214.9
Aug.	269.7	229.4	299.9	256.5	365.3	277.2	245.3	206.4	215.9
Sept.	271.0	229.0	304.2	257.0	370.0	276.9	245.6	206.4	214.6
Oct.	271.1	229.4	301.6	257.0	374.4	277.6	243.2	206.9	212.8
Nov.	272.7	233.9	300.7	257.5	376.0	278.1	245.6	207.0	214.5
Dec.	274.0	236.0	304.4	257.1	378.6	278.1	244.3	207.0	214.2
1969(2) Jan.	278.1	238.9	306.1	256.5	391.0	278.4	255.6	208.9	215.3

(1) Includes gold.

(2) Indexes for 1968 and 1969 are subject to revision.

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

Special Groupings of Components of General Wholesale Index

Date	Non-farm products(1)	Combined iron, and non-ferrous metals groups(2)	Raw and partly mfg. goods(3)	Total(3)	Fully and chiefly manufactured goods		
					Iron and non-ferrous metals(4)	Iron	Non-ferrous metals(4)
1958	233.0	240.8	209.3	238.3	249.0	249.3	245.5
1959	236.0	248.3	210.9	241.6	251.6	251.0	261.2
1960	237.0	250.6	209.6	242.2	253.5	252.6	269.1
1961	239.1	253.3	212.6	244.5	254.4	253.4	270.0
1962	244.8	258.2	223.8	249.0	254.3	253.0	275.8
1963	248.0	260.4	226.9	254.2	253.9	252.3	280.2
1964	252.2	268.3	225.7	256.4	255.8	254.0	294.5
1965	257.2	281.8	231.2	261.3	264.0	261.5	319.6
1966	262.5	293.1	242.7	268.6	269.4	266.2	336.6
1967	269.0	304.5	246.1	274.2	277.2	274.1	343.6
1966 - Jan.	259.7	292.2	241.4	264.9	267.7	264.6	334.5
Feb.	260.6	292.8	245.7	266.7	268.5	265.4	334.8
Mar.	261.1	292.6	242.9	267.4	268.4	265.4	334.5
Apr.	261.6	292.8	241.9	267.4	268.7	265.6	334.5
May	261.9	293.0	242.9	267.9	269.2	266.0	338.5
June	263.1	292.8	242.2	269.6	269.5	266.2	338.4
July	263.7	292.9	241.7	269.9	269.5	266.3	337.8
Aug.	263.5	292.8	242.0	270.6	269.6	266.4	337.8
Sept.	263.7	293.1	241.8	271.3	270.2	267.1	337.2
Oct.	263.2	292.1	241.8	270.7	270.1	267.0	337.2
Nov.	263.9	295.8	243.2	269.9	271.1	268.0	337.2
Dec.	264.0	294.3	244.6	270.4	270.2	267.0	337.2
1967 - Jan.	265.0	297.3	244.9	271.4	274.6	271.6	337.7
Feb.	266.1	301.0	246.7	271.8	276.0	272.9	341.7
Mar.	266.8	300.8	245.0	272.2	275.7	272.6	341.7
Apr.	267.5	301.1	244.9	272.5	276.1	273.1	341.7
May	267.4	300.7	246.2	273.3	276.1	273.1	341.7
June	267.4	300.6	246.1	274.2	275.8	272.7	341.7
July	268.7	302.0	244.2	275.0	278.7	275.6	344.4
Aug.	269.8	305.1	246.6	275.1	278.3	275.2	344.4
Sept.	271.2	308.7	246.3	275.6	278.8	275.7	344.4
Oct.	271.5	309.6	246.8	275.7	278.8	275.7	344.4
Nov.	272.4	310.3	245.4	276.4	278.8	275.7	344.4
Dec.	274.3	316.6	249.8	276.7	279.2	275.7	354.7
1968(5) - Jan.	274.6	315.3	249.0	276.7	279.0	275.4	355.2
Feb.	275.8	314.9	247.7	277.6	280.4	276.8	355.2
Mar.	277.4	319.4	250.2	277.9	280.6	277.1	355.1
Apr.	277.3	317.3	247.8	278.1	280.6	277.2	355.1
May	278.2	319.0	249.2	279.5	281.0	277.0	365.8
June	278.8	320.0	250.9	281.1	281.2	277.2	366.2
July	276.9	310.9	248.2	281.0	280.6	277.3	352.0
Aug.	276.9	310.2	248.3	281.7	281.3	278.0	351.9
Sept.	278.1	310.2	249.2	283.1	281.4	278.1	351.9
Oct.	278.9	308.8	247.1	284.6	282.2	278.9	351.9
Nov.	280.0	310.9	249.6	285.6	282.7	279.4	353.5
Dec.	280.3	309.9	250.8	287.0	282.7	279.4	353.5
1969(5) - Jan.	285.5	318.6	255.4	290.8	283.9	280.0	369.1

(1) Consists of General Wholesale Index less Animal products and Vegetable products component groups (see preceding page). (2) Consists of Iron products, and Non-ferrous metals products component groups less gold (see preceding page). (3) These two series comprise the General Wholesale Index. (4) Excludes golds. (5) Indexes for 1968 and 1969 are subject to revision.

TABLE 3. Selected Price Indicators - Concluded

Date	Industrial materials	Building materials(4)		Canadian farm products(2)		
		Residential(1)	Non- residential	Field	Animal	Total
		(1935-39=100)	(1949=100)	(1935-39=100)		
1958	229.8	127.3	129.8	171.4	274.5	222.9
1959	240.2	130.0	131.7	176.1	271.6	223.9
1960	240.4	129.2	132.3	189.1	264.1	226.6
1961	243.2	128.3	131.1	191.7	270.0	230.9
1962	248.0	129.7	131.9	195.5	286.0	240.8
1963	253.5	133.9	135.1	197.2	275.4	236.3
1964	258.3	142.5	139.6	198.2	267.3	232.7
1965	258.7	148.9	146.8	210.3	289.3	249.8
1966	261.4	154.4	151.0	209.7	321.5	265.6
1967	253.1	159.3	154.2	198.7	325.3	262.0
1966 - Jan.	265.4	150.3	149.1	207.4	322.8	265.1
Feb.	267.4	150.7	149.4	211.9	331.4	271.6
Mar.	263.9	151.5	149.9	214.7	319.2	267.0
Apr.	264.7	151.9	150.7	218.2	316.2	267.2
May	264.3	152.8	151.3	218.7	319.4	269.1
June	263.0	155.4	151.4	212.4	324.6	268.5
July	262.6	156.2	151.8	209.3	313.2	261.3
Aug.	260.6	156.4	151.9	204.2	318.6	261.4
Sept.	258.8	157.0	151.9	203.0	321.2	262.1
Oct.	256.2	156.8	151.9	205.0	323.7	264.3
Nov.	255.6	156.8	151.7	205.4	321.9	263.7
Dec.	254.7	156.9	151.4	206.2	325.5	265.9
1967 - Jan.	253.2	156.5	153.3	208.7	320.7	264.7
Feb.	254.0	157.2	153.7	207.7	322.9	265.3
Mar.	252.0	157.6	153.9	206.7	315.1	260.9
Apr.	252.5	157.8	154.3	204.2	319.9	262.1
May	254.7	158.4	154.0	205.4	327.8	266.6
June	256.7	158.6	154.0	207.4	330.7	269.1
July	253.0	159.4	154.1	208.6	325.0	266.8
Aug.	252.1	160.1	154.2	190.9	329.8	260.4
Sept.	251.2	160.6	154.3	186.1	331.2	258.6
Oct.	250.1	161.5	154.5	186.8	330.9	258.9
Nov.	253.0	161.9	154.7	186.1	323.1	254.6
Dec.	254.3	162.4	155.2	186.2	326.4	256.3
1968(3) - Jan.	253.5	163.7	156.7	189.6	316.3	253.0
Feb.	252.4	164.4	157.1	186.4	315.4	250.9
Mar.	253.0	165.2	157.5	185.1	312.9	249.0
Apr.	251.2	166.4	157.6	184.2	313.8	249.0
May	252.0	166.2	157.9	188.7	322.2	255.5
June	253.0	167.0	158.0	189.8	330.0	259.9
July	253.4	166.9	157.6	191.0	333.1	262.0
Aug.	254.2	168.5	157.8	189.2	340.8	265.0
Sept.	253.6	169.6	158.1	183.2	343.8	263.5
Oct.	254.9	170.3	158.4	181.3	339.0	260.1
Nov.	257.1	170.9	159.1	182.3	339.2	260.7
Dec.	258.9	172.3	159.7	183.8	345.0	264.4
1969(3) Jan.	261.4	175.9	161.3	185.4	343.0	264.2

(1) Converted from the base 1935-39=100. See Table 6. (2) Final to July 1967. See page 40 for details on Western grain prices and specific publications wherein final indexes or earlier years may be found.

(3) Indexes for 1968 and 1969 are subject to revision. (4) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41.

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

Primary commodities	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
Asbestos, crude	392.9	379.6	371.6	371.6	368.4	355.1	355.1
Beans, cocoa	972.9	1125.4	730.7	701.5	664.3	585.8	415.0
Beans, coffee	283.7	282.5	283.2	294.0	299.2	328.1	342.4
Coal	210.1	210.1	208.3	207.1	204.7	201.8	200.9
Copper, electrolytic	446.3	419.5	475.5	475.5	441.7	419.5	351.6
Cotton, raw	280.4	290.5	336.5	335.5	280.6	273.7	286.7
Eggs	167.2	172.8	124.5	137.2	139.2	175.5	146.1
Fruits, fresh	220.3	185.4	241.5	213.8	201.8	206.5	211.0
Grains	209.0	208.5	209.9	209.2	220.1	221.1	208.1
Hides and skins	184.6	173.1	158.0	155.8	160.6	206.3	159.1
Lead, electrolytic	293.5	283.0	293.5	293.5	293.5	312.7	324.9
Livestock	370.5	371.3	339.0	353.5	355.5	362.9	333.4
Nickel	382.8	351.7	351.7	351.7	328.7	294.2	289.6
Oil, crude	191.6	191.5	191.7	191.8	191.7	191.6	192.0
Onions	174.0	189.2	229.5	218.5	290.6	277.8	245.0
Potatoes	163.1	156.1	198.8	173.1	162.1	223.5	319.0
Rubber, raw	155.6	155.6	123.0	124.3	138.7	164.2	176.5
Scrap iron and steel	240.5	244.3	257.3	260.6	263.5	282.7	300.5
Silver	561.2	549.1	551.7	586.4	425.8	360.0	360.2
Steers	448.0	455.4	442.3	471.0	460.8	432.5	400.0
Sugar, raw	132.5	131.6	109.5	114.3	103.5	99.6	113.7
Tin	332.1	338.1	309.6	316.2	317.3	339.1	367.8
Wool, raw, domestic	168.9	169.3	154.5	155.5	183.1	242.8	229.3
Wool, raw, imported	164.0	165.1	145.8	146.9	163.1	192.3	174.9
Zinc, prime, western	311.3	300.2	300.2	300.2	308.5	322.4	322.4

(1) Indexes for 1968 are subject to revision.

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

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
dollars							
Vegetable products:							
Barley, No. 1 feed, bu.	1.07	1.08	1.23	1.23	1.25	1.32	1.26
Coffee beans, Green Santos 2/3's, lb. ....	.42	.41	.41	.42	.44	.48	.52
Flour, first patent, Toronto, 100-lb. bag ..	8.41	8.41	8.12	8.12	8.12	7.88	7.67
Linseed oil, raw, Montreal, gal.	1.27	1.18	1.28	1.28	1.16	1.10	1.16
Oats, No. 2 C.W., bu. ....	.90	.88	.95	.95	.93	.93	.85
Potatoes, No. 1 Saint John, 75-lb. bag	1.92	1.90	2.40	2.32	2.09	2.86	3.78
Sugar, granulated, std., Montreal, 100-lb. bag	7.85	7.75	6.90	7.05	6.62	6.38	6.83
Wheat, No. 2, Manitoba Northern, bu.	1.92	1.92	1.91	1.90	2.02	2.04	1.91
Animal products:							
Butter, prints, 1st. grade, Montreal, 1b. ..	.68	.68	.66	.66	.65	.62	.57
Eggs, grade "A", large, Montreal, doz. ....	.62	.63	.44	.48	.48	.58	.48
Hides, packer, light native steers, lb. ....	.17	.16	.16	.16	.16	.22	.17
Hogs, Toronto (bonus excluded) 100-lb.	34.04	34.62	27.34	27.62	29.69	35.05	32.46
Steers, good, Toronto, 100 lb.	26.90	27.00	26.77	28.21	27.66	26.05	24.03

TABLE 5. Wholesale Prices of Selected Commodities - Concluded

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity	Months				Annual averages		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1967	1966	1965
dollars							
Textile products:							
Cotton, raw, middling, 1", Memphis, lb. (1)	..	..	.28	.29	.27	.31	.35
Cotton yarn, 10's, white, lb. ....	.77	.77	.77	.77	.77	.76	.75
Cotton, grey Osnaburg, 45" W. 6 7/16 oz., yd. (2) .....	.40	.40	.36	.36	.36	.35	.35
Rayon yarn, 36 filament, 150 denier, lb. ...	.98	.98	.95	.95	.94	.93	.93
Wool, raw, Australian, 64's, clean, lb. ....	.98	.98	.85	.85	.87	1.01	.92
Wool, raw, Eastern, domestic, lb. ....	.32	.32	.29	.29	.36	.48	.45
Wood products:							
Newsprint paper, standard, Quebec, 2000-lb. ton	137.83	132.83	134.73	134.47	132.85	128.76	125.51
Pine, white, No. 1, 1" x 8", 8' - 16', 1000-bd. ft.	210.68	210.68	193.20	194.00	195.58	188.75	182.00
Shingles, asphalt, 12" x 36", 100 sq. ft. ...	6.72	6.72	5.90	5.90	5.74	5.26	5.19
Spruce, merchantable, 1" x 6"/7", 1000-bd. ft.	98.90	96.90	87.75	87.75	87.34	86.85	85.50
Iron products:							
Cast iron scrap, 2240-lb. ton	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	45.25	51.17	48.00
Steel scrap, No. 1, heavy melting, cbs. 2000-lb. ton (2) .....	..	..	..	26.00	26.00	30.52	33.55
Pig iron, foundry, silicon 2.01-2.25, 2240-lb. ton	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00
Non-ferrous metals products:							
Copper, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	47.88	45.00	51.00	51.00	47.38	45.00	37.64
Lead, pig, electrolytic, domestic, 100-lb.	14.00	13.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.92	15.50
Tin, ingots, 99.8%, Montreal, lb.	1.77	1.80	1.65	1.68	1.69	1.81	1.97
Zinc, high grade, electrolytic, 100-lb.	14.60	14.10	14.10	14.10	14.48	15.10	15.10
Non-metallic minerals products:							
Cement, Portland, Calgary, 350-lb.	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.10	4.05	3.84	3.68
Cement, Portland, Toronto, 350-lb.	3.74	3.74	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.44	3.41
Coal, anthracite, U.S., stove size, 2000-lb. ton .....	..	28.61	27.09	27.02	26.29	25.86	26.12
Chemical products:							
Sodium carbonate, (soda ash) 58 p.c., 100-lb.	2.30	2.30	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.10	2.05
Sulphuric acid, 66° Baume, 2000-lb. ton	31.00	31.00	29.35	29.35	28.42	24.48	22.64

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

(2) Prices prior to August 1968 refer to 40" W. 7 1/8 oz., yd.

TABLE 6. Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials

(1935-39=100)

Date	Principal components									
	Total index	Con-crete products	Bricks	Lumber and lumber products	Wall board and insulation	Roofing ma-terials	Paint and glass	Plumb-ing and heating equip-ment	Elec-trical equip-ment	Metal pro-ducts fixtures
1958	290.2	156.8	224.6	409.8	139.8	235.4	226.6	229.8	186.9	254.0
1959	296.3	153.8	227.8	421.1	140.9	239.3	229.3	231.6	201.6	256.9
1960	294.5	154.6	229.3	415.9	142.4	214.5	230.5	235.2	198.2	262.3
1961	292.5	153.0	218.9	412.3	144.8	204.0	235.6	236.1	194.2	261.8
1962	295.7	153.0	216.8	420.2	149.0	213.4	238.6	231.8	197.6	259.2
1963	305.3	157.2	225.5	436.4	151.1	236.6	256.4	234.7	204.8	250.1
1964	324.9	161.9	233.5	472.1	158.6	251.6	269.2	242.0	208.1	259.5
1965	339.6	168.1	246.5	495.7	164.3	243.8	282.6	254.4	208.2	266.5
1966	352.0	176.2	251.9	519.4	166.6	243.5	286.6	256.0	232.0	264.6
1967	363.3	182.2	256.5	537.4	169.5	257.6	298.7	264.0	245.1	260.3
1966(2) - Jan.	342.7	172.6	250.8	501.3	165.8	243.5	283.1	251.6	227.8	262.8
Feb.	343.7	172.7	250.7	502.2	166.2	243.5	283.1	253.7	228.0	266.8
Mar.	345.4	172.7	251.8	505.7	166.2	243.5	285.9	253.8	228.9	266.8
Apr.	346.3	176.2	252.2	506.7	166.8	243.5	285.9	254.1	231.6	265.0
May	348.4	176.2	252.2	510.0	167.5	243.5	286.3	257.0	233.6	265.3
June	354.3	176.3	252.2	523.4	167.5	243.5	286.3	257.5	234.5	265.3
July	356.1	176.3	252.2	528.0	166.6	243.5	287.2	257.5	233.7	265.3
Aug.	356.7	177.4	252.2	529.4	166.6	243.5	287.5	257.5	233.4	263.5
Sept.	357.9	177.7	252.2	532.1	166.6	243.5	287.5	257.5	233.4	263.5
Oct.	357.4	178.9	252.2	530.7	166.6	243.5	288.8	257.2	233.4	263.4
Nov.	357.5	178.9	252.2	531.0	166.4	243.5	289.0	257.2	232.9	264.9
Dec.	357.8	178.9	252.2	531.9	166.4	243.5	289.0	257.2	232.9	262.6
1967 - Jan.	356.9	180.7	252.2	526.6	168.2	247.5	296.6	259.9	234.5	265.3
Feb.	358.5	181.5	252.2	528.8	168.2	250.5	296.6	262.6	238.9	262.1
Mar.	359.3	181.4	254.7	529.8	169.0	250.5	296.6	263.0	240.5	260.9
Apr.	359.7	181.3	254.3	530.5	169.7	250.5	296.6	263.3	240.5	260.8
May	361.2	182.3	258.5	532.6	169.7	250.5	297.5	263.1	252.4	259.6
June	361.7	182.0	258.5	533.5	169.9	255.9	298.2	263.5	248.4	259.2
July	363.5	181.7	259.1	537.5	169.9	262.5	298.2	263.2	248.4	259.2
Aug.	365.1	181.7	256.2	540.5	169.9	262.5	298.2	265.3	248.4	259.2
Sept.	366.2	181.7	256.2	543.1	169.9	262.5	301.5	264.9	247.8	259.2
Oct.	368.2	184.3	259.1	547.2	169.9	262.5	301.5	264.6	247.1	259.2
Nov.	369.1	183.9	258.7	548.5	169.9	268.1	301.5	266.4	243.9	259.6
Dec.	370.2	183.6	258.7	549.6	170.1	268.1	301.5	268.3	250.6	259.6
1968(1) - Jan.	373.3	187.0	261.3	553.9	170.1	268.1	304.7	272.3	251.3	261.2
Feb.	374.9	187.0	262.8	557.3	170.1	280.5	312.8	272.5	235.5	261.2
Mar.	376.7	187.5	262.6	560.9	172.2	280.5	313.4	272.2	235.5	262.5
Apr.	379.3	187.8	263.5	565.8	175.9	280.5	313.4	272.0	235.2	262.5
May	379.0	188.3	263.5	564.0	176.9	280.5	314.3	275.2	229.9	262.0
June	380.8	188.4	263.5	567.1	177.2	299.7	314.3	274.4	228.7	262.6
July	380.5	188.4	263.5	568.7	177.2	299.7	314.3	269.6	226.6	263.3
Aug.	384.2	188.2	263.5	577.0	177.2	299.7	314.3	270.4	226.6	262.5
Sept.	386.8	188.4	263.5	583.1	177.2	299.7	314.1	270.7	226.6	262.5
Oct.	388.2	188.4	263.5	587.2	177.2	299.7	314.1	268.8	226.6	262.5
Nov.	389.7	190.7	263.5	589.2	177.2	299.7	314.1	270.5	230.3	262.8
Dec.	392.8	190.7	263.5	597.0	177.2	299.7	314.1	269.0	230.8	263.1
1969(1) - Jan.	401.1	193.9	269.2	611.8	177.2	291.8	313.8	271.9	258.2	264.4

(1) Indexes for 1968 and 1969 are subject to revision.

(2) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41.

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

Date	Principal components						
	Total index	Concrete products	Blocks, brick, and building stone	Tile	Lumber and lumber products	Plumbing, heating, and other equipment	Electrical equipment and fixtures
1958	129.8	119.6	135.7	118.2	126.8	123.8	114.0
1959	131.7	118.6	137.4	118.3	131.3	126.0	119.2
1960	132.3	119.8	139.1	121.0	129.0	126.7	119.5
1961	131.1	119.8	133.0	123.9	127.6	126.3	113.8
1962	131.9	122.0	130.9	125.0	130.8	127.4	114.0
1963	135.1	126.0	135.2	128.9	136.6	127.1	118.6
1964	139.6	129.0	141.9	134.3	147.4	129.4	120.3
1965	146.8	133.5	149.3	143.2	154.6	137.1	120.5
1966	151.0	139.1	153.5	150.3	160.9	141.2	128.8
1967	154.2	143.5	158.5	157.0	168.2	145.4	132.4
1966(2) - Jan.	149.1	135.8	150.8	147.0	157.3	138.8	126.9
Feb.	149.4	135.8	153.3	147.0	158.0	138.9	127.0
Mar.	149.9	135.9	153.3	147.0	159.3	139.8	127.5
Apr.	150.7	139.0	153.8	148.6	160.4	140.2	128.4
May	151.3	139.0	154.0	151.6	160.9	141.2	129.2
June	151.4	139.1	153.8	151.5	161.6	141.7	129.4
July	151.8	139.1	153.8	151.5	161.6	142.7	130.2
Aug.	151.9	140.1	153.8	151.7	161.9	142.5	129.3
Sept.	151.9	140.4	153.8	151.8	162.7	142.2	129.5
Oct.	151.9	141.5	153.8	152.1	162.1	142.2	130.1
Nov.	151.7	141.5	153.8	152.1	162.3	141.7	129.1
Dec.	151.4	141.5	153.8	152.1	163.0	142.8	128.6
1967 - Jan.	153.3	142.4	157.8	152.8	163.9	144.2	131.9
Feb.	153.7	142.8	157.8	153.8	164.9	144.6	134.0
Mar.	153.9	142.7	157.8	154.6	165.5	145.1	134.1
Apr.	154.3	142.7	158.8	157.5	165.9	145.3	134.8
May	154.0	143.6	158.8	157.7	166.8	145.0	133.7
June	154.0	143.3	158.8	157.6	167.1	145.4	133.0
July	154.1	143.1	158.8	157.8	168.2	145.0	132.7
Aug.	154.2	143.1	158.8	157.9	168.7	145.9	131.9
Sept.	154.3	143.1	158.8	157.9	170.8	145.8	130.8
Oct.	154.5	145.4	158.8	158.5	171.0	145.9	130.3
Nov.	154.7	145.1	158.8	158.4	171.9	146.2	129.9
Dec.	155.2	144.8	158.7	159.1	173.6	146.7	132.1
1968(1) - Jan.	156.7	146.6	160.4	159.5	174.8	148.8	134.0
Feb.	157.1	146.6	161.6	159.5	176.5	148.9	133.0
Mar.	157.5	147.1	161.6	159.6	178.6	148.9	133.6
Apr.	157.6	147.3	161.6	160.2	180.3	148.5	132.8
May	157.9	147.8	163.4	160.7	180.9	149.4	130.0
June	158.0	147.9	163.4	160.7	181.5	149.4	129.5
July	157.6	147.9	163.4	160.8	182.3	148.3	128.4
Aug.	157.8	147.7	163.4	160.7	183.9	148.5	128.4
Sept.	158.1	147.9	163.4	160.8	186.8	148.5	128.4
Oct.	158.4	147.9	163.4	160.8	187.9	148.7	128.5
Nov.	159.1	150.0	163.4	161.3	191.0	148.7	128.9
Dec.	159.7	149.9	163.4	161.3	195.5	148.7	129.4
1969(1) - Jan.	161.3	152.8	165.0	164.3	200.6	150.2	130.8

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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

Date	Principal components					
	Steel and metal work	Hard- ware	Wall- board and insulation	Roofing materials	Paint and glass	Miscel- laneous materials
1958	150.9	155.1	118.5	123.3	145.3	93.7
1959	152.6	156.2	119.5	121.8	146.3	93.7
1960	152.9	157.6	119.6	126.5	146.4	97.2
1961	153.2	160.1	119.0	119.2	148.6	100.2
1962	153.3	159.2	121.5	121.5	150.8	100.0
1963	157.1	158.1	121.9	124.0	163.2	103.6
1964	164.2	159.0	126.7	115.0	174.8	108.0
1965	177.7	159.5	132.7	118.7	184.2	111.3
1966	180.0	161.0	133.8	115.5	188.3	108.8
1967	177.6	159.0	136.8	125.3	194.3	105.9
1966(2) - Jan.	179.8	160.7	132.6	115.3	185.0	111.6
Feb.	179.8	160.7	133.5	115.3	185.0	111.6
Mar.	179.8	160.7	133.5	115.3	188.4	111.6
Apr.	180.0	159.6	134.1	115.3	188.4	111.6
May	180.4	159.6	134.7	115.3	188.6	111.6
June	180.4	159.6	134.7	116.1	188.6	109.0
July	180.3	162.0	133.7	116.1	188.9	109.0
Aug.	180.9	161.9	133.7	115.5	189.0	109.0
Sept. ...	180.9	161.9	133.7	115.5	189.0	105.1
Oct.	180.2	161.9	133.7	115.5	189.4	105.1
Nov.	180.2	161.9	133.6	115.5	189.7	105.1
Dec.	177.3	161.9	133.6	115.5	189.7	105.1
1967 - Jan.	179.2	160.9	136.2	121.6	193.6	106.9
Feb.	178.5	159.8	136.2	122.0	193.6	106.9
Mar.	178.9	158.6	136.2	122.0	193.6	106.9
Apr.	178.8	158.6	136.8	122.0	193.6	106.9
May	177.3	158.6	136.8	122.0	193.9	106.9
June	176.8	158.6	137.1	126.2	194.2	106.9
July	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.4	194.2	106.9
Aug.	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.4	194.2	106.9
Sept.	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.4	195.3	106.9
Oct.	176.8	158.9	137.1	127.2	195.3	103.7
Nov.	177.0	158.9	137.1	129.4	195.3	103.7
Dec.	177.2	158.6	137.2	129.4	195.3	100.8
1968(1) - Jan.	177.9	161.0	137.3	129.8	196.3	103.0
Feb.	178.0	161.0	137.3	133.0	201.7	103.0
Mar.	178.1	161.8	138.7	133.0	201.9	103.0
Apr.	178.1	161.8	141.6	133.0	201.9	103.0
May	178.3	161.8	142.5	133.0	202.3	103.0
June	177.8	161.8	142.9	140.0	202.3	103.0
July	177.1	161.8	142.9	140.4	202.3	103.0
Aug.	177.1	162.4	142.9	140.4	202.3	103.0
Sept. ...	177.1	162.4	142.9	140.4	202.0	103.0
Oct.	177.1	164.0	142.9	141.4	202.0	103.0
Nov.	177.6	164.8	142.9	141.4	202.0	103.0
Dec.	177.6	165.1	142.9	141.4	202.0	103.0
1969(1) - Jan.	178.1	165.1	143.4	139.0	201.9	103.0

(1) Indexes for 1968 and 1969 are subject to revision.

(2) An explanation of the 1966 revision is provided on page 41.

TABLE 8. Consumer Price Indexes, Canada, 1961-68
(1961=100)

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Trans- porta- tion	Health and personal care	Recre- ation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962	101.2	101.8	101.2	100.9	99.9	102.0	100.8	101.3
1963	103.0	105.1	102.3	103.4	99.9	104.6	102.2	101.5
1964	104.8	106.8	103.9	106.0	101.0	108.0	103.9	103.4
1965	107.4	109.6	105.8	107.9	104.8	113.0	105.6	105.1
1966	111.4	116.6	108.7	112.0	107.3	116.5	108.6	107.6
1967	115.4	118.1	113.4	117.6	111.8	122.5	114.1	110.4
1968	120.1	122.0	118.6	121.1	114.7	127.4	119.7	120.4
1967 - Jan.	113.0	116.9	110.8	114.3	108.8	119.1	110.8	108.8
Feb.	113.1	116.2	110.9	114.8	110.2	119.2	112.0	109.0
Mar.	113.4	115.6	111.4	116.3	110.7	119.3	112.0	109.6
Apr.	114.4	116.1	112.7	117.2	111.7	122.3	112.4	109.8
May	114.6	115.9	113.0	117.2	111.8	123.0	114.0	110.0
June	115.2	116.8	113.5	117.8	112.5	122.8	114.4	110.1
July	116.3	119.8	114.0	117.8	112.6	123.3	114.9	110.1
Aug.	116.8	121.9	114.3	117.6	112.4	123.6	114.9	110.6
Sept.	116.6	119.8	114.6	119.7	112.7	123.2	115.5	110.6
Oct.	116.5	119.2	114.9	118.8	112.3	124.4	115.9	110.6
Nov.	116.9	119.4	115.2	119.6	112.3	124.8	116.7	110.7
Dec.	117.5	119.8	115.5	119.7	113.5	124.8	116.2	114.4
1968 - Jan.	118.1	121.3	116.1	118.6	113.8	124.7	116.5	117.2
Feb.	118.2	120.8	116.7	119.1	113.2	125.1	117.6	117.3
Mar.	118.6	119.9	117.1	120.5	114.0	125.1	118.1	119.0
Apr.	119.3	120.8	117.6	121.2	114.4	126.9	117.8	121.2
May	119.3	120.1	117.9	120.7	114.5	127.4	119.2	121.3
June	119.7	120.5	118.3	121.2	115.1	127.4	119.2	121.3
July	120.4	122.5	118.8	121.0	115.1	128.0	119.6	121.3
Aug.	120.7	123.9	118.9	120.6	115.1	128.2	119.9	121.3
Sept.	121.1	123.4	119.8	121.2	115.4	128.5	121.0	121.3
Oct.	121.4	122.9	120.3	122.8	114.9	129.0	121.4	121.3
Nov.	121.9	123.4	120.9	123.4	115.7	129.4	123.3	121.3
Dec.	122.3	124.5	121.0	123.4	115.7	129.4	123.3	121.3
1969 - Jan.	122.6	125.1	121.9	121.5	116.3	129.5	124.2	121.3
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TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications
(1961=100)

	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1968	1967	1966
All-items index	122.6	122.3	118.1	117.5	120.1	115.4	111.4
Food	125.1	124.5	121.3	119.8	122.0	118.1	116.6
Food at home	123.0	122.6	119.3	117.8	119.9	116.4	115.9
Dairy products	132.1	132.3	124.9	124.9	127.8	122.1	114.1
Cereal products	120.6	121.1	119.8	119.1	120.0	117.4	115.7
Miscellaneous groceries ...	117.6	116.2	113.7	112.4	114.3	110.9	110.9
Beef	130.5	130.3	128.8	128.8	126.3	124.2	118.1
Pork	126.0	125.9	113.7	113.0	116.8	117.8	130.3
Fresh pork	129.5	131.2	116.7	114.5	119.8	118.4	126.6
Cured pork	122.9	121.2	110.9	111.5	114.1	117.2	133.3
Other meats	122.3	121.8	121.3	120.8	121.5	120.5	120.1
Fish	131.0	129.8	124.7	125.2	127.0	124.4	122.0
Poultry	111.5	108.1	111.3	105.6	109.6	106.6	111.0
Eggs	119.6	117.9	94.3	96.1	98.9	96.1	114.0
Dairy products including butter	125.2	125.4	119.3	119.3	121.5	117.0	109.7
Fats and oils including butter	103.8	104.1	103.6	103.4	102.8	103.3	100.3
Fats and oils excluding butter	105.3	106.3	109.4	108.8	107.0	110.9	113.2
Total fruit	111.1	113.3	110.2	107.3	123.3	107.8	107.2
Fresh fruit	105.8	110.1	108.4	105.0	127.2	107.4	104.4
Canned fruit	119.8	118.3	113.3	112.2	116.4	109.2	111.5
Total vegetables	128.4	126.9	133.6	123.9	130.5	123.1	126.0
Fresh vegetables	130.3	128.2	139.7	125.4	134.6	126.0	131.9
Canned vegetables	126.9	126.5	123.6	122.8	124.2	119.0	115.9
Direct imports(1)	107.2	109.7	110.0	107.8	118.2	106.3	107.5
Restaurant meals	140.6	138.5	135.6	134.3	136.9	130.7	121.6
Housing	121.9	121.0	116.1	115.5	118.6	113.4	108.7
Shelter	128.9	127.6	121.2	119.9	124.6	117.5	112.2
Tenant costs	114.3	114.1	109.6	109.4	111.8	107.1	103.6
Home-ownership costs	142.1	139.9	131.7	129.4	136.1	126.9	120.1
Property taxes	135.8	133.4	126.4	124.0	132.2	124.0	119.2
Mortgage interest	149.3	145.2	132.8	127.5	136.6	125.5	119.7
Repairs	133.4	132.6	127.1	126.8	130.5	123.0	115.9
New houses	145.4	144.0	136.7	135.9	140.8	131.6	122.8
Personal property in- surance	145.2	145.2	136.8	136.8	142.6	132.6	125.3
Household operation	112.4	112.1	109.3	109.3	110.6	107.8	103.7
Fuel	102.2	102.3	98.5	98.1	100.8	97.6	96.0
Coal	123.7	123.7	118.6	118.6	120.3	116.7	113.7
Fuel oil	96.3	96.3	91.5	91.5	95.0	91.1	89.5
Domestic gas	102.0	102.2	102.2	100.7	102.2	100.6	100.5
Electricity	112.1	111.8	107.6	106.9	109.6	104.4	97.3
Home furnishings	112.7	113.1	111.3	111.8	112.2	109.7	105.2
Appliances	96.9	97.6	97.1	97.9	97.3	97.0	95.1
Furniture	120.4	121.5	119.1	119.4	120.3	116.8	109.6
Floor coverings	105.6	106.2	106.0	106.2	106.0	105.9	104.6
Textiles	117.2	117.7	114.1	114.6	116.5	112.8	110.0
Utensils and equipment ..	128.6	128.5	125.2	125.2	127.1	121.4	114.1

See footnote(s) at end of table.

TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued
(1961=100)

	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1968	1967	1966
Housing - Concluded:							
Supplies and services	118.8	117.6	114.5	114.2	115.1	113.1	109.4
Supplies	115.9	115.3	114.1	113.7	113.9	112.7	108.0
Services	120.9	119.1	114.7	114.5	115.9	113.4	110.3
Telephone rates	105.5	105.5	105.0	105.0	105.4	104.7	103.3
Postage	142.4	142.4	107.4	106.7	113.2	106.7	106.7
Household help	157.0	147.5	144.7	143.9	146.1	140.6	131.9
Household effects insurance	133.9	133.9	131.2	131.2	133.0	128.6	122.0
Clothing	121.5	123.4	118.6	119.7	121.1	117.6	112.0
Men's wear	121.2	124.6	119.9	121.4	122.2	118.2	112.1
Suit	124.9	132.3	125.7	128.2	129.7	125.0	117.2
Business shirt	120.7	120.7	118.6	119.2	120.2	118.2	114.0
Hat	126.9	126.9	125.6	125.0	126.4	120.9	114.1
Women's wear	118.9	121.7	116.2	118.2	119.4	117.4	112.6
Winter coat	128.4	137.1	127.0	132.2	132.0	123.9	119.3
Spring coat	-	-	-	-	122.6	117.6	113.7
Cotton street dress	117.6	118.2	113.7	111.0	116.0	110.8	108.9
Slip	103.5	103.4	103.0	103.0	103.3	102.6	101.1
Hosiery	98.5	97.9	98.0	99.2	98.9	98.8	97.2
Children's wear	114.1	116.2	110.9	113.0	112.3	110.5	104.8
Boys:							
Slacks	114.5	114.9	112.2	112.5	112.4	108.5	103.4
T-Shirt	-	-	-	-	100.6	102.2	102.0
Sweater	130.6	131.0	127.1	127.0	130.1	123.7	115.9
Parka	107.8	110.1	104.3	106.9	103.4	106.1	101.0
Girls:							
Spring coat	-	-	-	-	112.3	111.5	101.8
Cotton dress	119.0	120.1	116.6	115.6	116.6	113.9	107.3
Snow suit	120.8	123.8	102.7	115.6	108.2	110.3	106.2
Infants:							
Diapers	118.1	118.1	112.2	112.2	113.4	111.2	109.5
Overalls	101.1	101.1	101.1	96.5	101.1	99.6	100.7
Footwear	130.4	130.4	124.1	123.7	127.7	121.0	114.2
Men's oxfords	134.0	133.8	129.7	129.3	131.8	126.6	117.2
Women's street shoes	124.6	124.9	119.2	119.1	122.7	117.2	111.0
Children's shoes	137.9	137.7	128.7	127.3	134.5	125.3	119.9
Women's overshoes	123.8	123.8	116.9	116.9	119.9	110.3	104.8
Piece goods	117.2	118.5	117.9	118.2	118.2	116.3	110.4
Cotton dress print	118.5	121.0	120.7	121.5	121.5	118.9	112.2
Wool dress material	104.4	105.8	105.4	105.4	105.1	104.2	104.3
Clothing services	123.6	123.6	121.7	121.7	123.5	119.6	114.9
Laundry	128.0	128.0	124.2	124.2	126.4	122.4	117.8
Dry cleaning	120.1	120.1	119.9	119.9	121.3	118.0	113.6
Shoe repairs	134.8	134.8	127.1	127.1	130.6	123.7	116.4
Jewellery	129.7	129.7	123.9	123.9	127.2	120.7	114.1

TABLE 9. Consumer Price Indexes - Main Groups, Selected Components and Supplementary Classifications - Continued
(1961=100)

	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1968	1967	1966
Transportation	116.3	115.7	113.8	113.5	114.7	111.8	107.3
Automobile operation	111.8	111.8	110.0	110.2	110.9	108.5	105.8
New passenger car	97.2	97.2	96.9	97.3	96.5	94.8	93.2
Gasoline	116.7	116.6	111.3	111.1	115.3	111.3	108.7
Tires	119.8	119.8	116.9	116.9	116.2	115.4	108.4
Automobile insurance	152.1	152.1	156.3	156.3	152.4	156.1	154.1
Fender replacement	145.4	145.4	136.0	136.0	141.3	132.1	123.2
Brake relining	130.2	130.2	125.0	125.0	128.4	121.0	112.6
Battery	116.3	116.3	112.7	112.7	114.0	111.0	105.6
Local transportation	143.7	143.7	139.7	139.7	142.4	135.2	117.5
Street car and bus fares ..	146.4	146.4	142.7	142.7	145.3	137.8	118.5
Taxi fare	125.5	125.5	120.0	120.0	123.3	117.8	110.8
Travel	123.7	113.5	114.8	105.7	114.8	109.3	106.2
Train fare	125.4	105.0	116.9	98.7	110.9	106.7	101.1
Bus fare	112.1	112.1	106.4	106.4	109.6	104.8	103.3
Plane fare	130.0	130.0	117.8	117.8	125.9	117.8	117.8
Health and personal care	129.5	129.4	124.7	124.8	127.4	122.5	116.5
Health care	128.5	128.5	123.6	123.6	126.8	121.2	115.3
Doctors' fees	128.6	128.6	126.8	126.8	127.8	122.4	112.7
Office call	137.1	137.1	135.3	135.3	136.2	129.0	114.9
Confinement	130.0	130.0	127.6	127.6	128.8	124.8	118.1
Appendectomy	103.8	103.8	103.4	103.4	103.6	103.2	102.7
Dentists' fees	147.9	147.9	134.0	134.0	142.7	131.6	125.2
Filling	149.9	149.9	134.3	134.3	144.3	132.3	126.7
Dentures	137.5	137.5	126.9	126.9	133.4	124.4	119.2
Extraction	158.2	158.2	143.0	143.0	152.3	140.1	130.9
Optical care	136.0	136.0	127.8	127.8	132.0	125.3	120.8
Prepaid medical care	138.8	138.8	132.5	132.5	137.7	128.4	123.4
Pharmaceuticals	96.9	96.9	96.8	96.8	96.5	100.0	99.3
Headache tablets	97.0	97.0	98.6	98.6	96.8	101.8	102.1
Vitamins	82.5	82.5	84.4	84.4	83.4	88.4	89.9
Bandages	105.0	105.0	98.7	98.7	101.0	101.5	102.3
Prescriptions	94.8	94.8	95.0	95.0	94.7	98.3	97.9
Personal care	131.5	131.3	126.8	127.1	128.7	125.0	118.8
Supplies	116.2	115.9	114.7	115.4	115.0	113.8	111.9
Toilet soap	126.8	126.2	126.0	127.6	124.6	125.7	126.2
Toothpaste	109.7	109.0	108.6	110.7	109.0	110.0	109.0
Face powder	122.4	122.4	111.8	111.8	116.6	111.0	107.2
Razor blades	108.9	108.8	109.4	110.1	109.5	108.0	104.4
Cleansing tissues	109.0	110.2	112.1	110.5	110.8	107.7	106.4
Services	147.4	147.4	139.4	139.4	143.0	136.7	126.0
Men's haircuts	155.0	155.0	144.7	144.7	149.6	142.8	131.0
Women's hairdressing	139.2	139.2	133.8	133.8	135.8	130.4	120.8

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

(1961=100)

	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1968	1967	1966
Recreation and reading	124.2	123.3	116.5	116.2	119.7	114.1	108.6
Recreation	121.9	121.7	115.5	116.0	118.0	113.2	107.7
Theatre admission	177.5	177.5	156.2	156.2	164.4	150.4	132.6
Admission to sporting events	138.2	138.2	126.7	126.7	129.8	120.4	114.0
Radio	94.9	97.0	95.2	95.7	96.4	95.9	95.3
Television, console	91.8	91.5	93.6	95.3	92.1	95.0	95.0
Camera film	116.2	116.2	111.5	111.5	114.7	110.4	106.3
Phonograph record	118.4	115.8	115.4	112.4	115.1	103.2	95.4
Bicycle	122.1	122.1	120.9	120.9	121.8	118.0	111.2
Sports equipment	134.1	134.1	125.7	125.7	127.6	118.6	109.6
Toys	121.7	121.7	118.4	118.4	119.4	115.2	108.8
Television repairs	118.4	118.4	109.3	109.3	115.0	108.4	106.8
Reading	130.8	128.0	119.5	117.0	125.0	117.0	111.7
Newspapers	144.3	139.7	136.4	132.1	138.0	131.0	125.7
Magazines	110.0	110.0	93.6	93.6	105.2	95.5	90.2
Tobacco and alcohol	121.3	121.3	117.2	114.4	120.4	110.4	107.6
Tobacco	128.3	128.3	121.0	120.3	126.8	113.3	108.8
Cigarettes	129.2	129.2	121.8	121.1	127.7	113.8	109.0
Cigarettes tobacco	118.8	118.8	112.4	111.1	117.1	107.0	106.0
Alcohol	116.6	116.6	114.7	110.3	116.2	108.4	106.7
Beer	112.7	112.7	110.9	107.1	112.2	105.4	104.2
Liquor	124.3	124.3	122.0	116.9	123.9	114.2	111.6
<u>Supplementary classifications</u>							
Commodities:							
Total	118.1	118.2	114.7	114.2	116.4	112.4	109.5
Total excluding food	114.3	114.8	111.4	111.1	113.2	109.2	105.3
Durable	104.3	104.6	103.7	104.1	103.8	102.1	99.1
Household equipment	108.8	109.2	108.0	108.6	108.6	107.0	103.1
Appliances(2)	95.4	95.9	95.9	97.0	95.8	96.4	95.2
Other	120.8	121.3	119.0	119.3	120.2	116.6	110.2
Transportation equipment	99.3	99.3	98.9	99.1	98.4	96.7	94.6
Non-durable	121.0	121.0	117.0	116.3	119.0	114.6	111.7
Non-durable excluding food	118.1	118.7	114.3	113.9	116.9	111.9	107.7
Textiles ("use" classification)	118.6	121.3	116.4	118.1	118.8	116.1	110.9
Garments	118.8	121.7	116.5	118.4	119.1	116.4	111.0
Household furnishings and piece goods	117.2	118.0	115.6	115.9	117.2	114.1	110.2
Textiles (chief component material classification)	118.6	121.3	116.4	118.1	118.8	116.1	110.9
Wool	120.2	125.4	119.1	121.5	122.1	117.5	111.9
Cotton	118.4	119.0	116.0	115.8	117.6	114.1	109.2
Synthetic	110.3	111.5	107.8	108.8	109.9	107.0	103.5
Fur	136.3	137.3	130.0	135.9	133.9	142.5	133.4
Footwear	130.4	130.4	124.1	123.7	127.7	121.0	114.2
Leather	131.1	131.1	125.0	124.4	128.6	122.3	115.3
Rubber and plastic	123.8	123.8	116.9	116.9	119.9	110.3	104.8
Other non-durable	116.6	116.3	112.3	111.0	114.9	109.0	105.6
Services:							
Total	127.8	127.3	122.5	122.1	125.0	119.7	113.6
Total excluding shelter	135.7	135.0	130.0	129.6	132.6	127.0	119.6

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

(2) Includes television and radio.

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

	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1968	1967	1969 price relative
1961=100							
<u>Dairy products</u>							
Milk, fresh, qt.	32.1	32.1	29.7	29.7	30.7	29.0	136.6
Milk, evaporated, 16 oz.	18.3	18.3	18.9	19.0	18.5	18.7	113.3
Powdered skim milk, pkg., 3 lb.	136.0	136.3	137.6	137.5	136.5	134.2	128.5
Butter, creamery, first grade, 1 lb.	72.3	72.4	71.0	71.0	70.9	70.4	103.3
Cheese, plain, processed, 1/2 lb.	45.1	45.1	45.7	45.7	45.4	44.7	123.5
<u>Poultry and eggs</u>							
Chicken, grade A evisc. (1 1/2 - 4 lb.). 1 lb.	49.0	47.2	49.6	46.7	48.2	47.5	113.7
Turkey, grade A evisc. (8 - 16 lb.), 1 lb.	49.4	50.0	48.4	48.7	49.1	48.2	103.2
Eggs, fresh, grade A large, doz.	67.3	66.3	53.0	54.1	55.6	54.1	119.6
Eggs, fresh, grade A medium, doz.,	63.6	60.7	46.2	46.8	50.0	46.5	128.6
<u>Beef</u>							
Sirloin steak, 1 lb.	131.8	130.9	128.1	127.2	126.5	123.7	135.6
Round steak, 1 lb.	115.4	114.6	112.7	113.5	109.6	107.8	130.6
Prime rib roast, 1 lb.(2)	111.0	111.1	114.1	113.3	110.0	108.7	125.6
Blade roast, 1 lb.(3)	74.9	77.5	76.7	76.8	74.5	74.6	121.6
Stewing beef, 1 lb.	86.0	85.7	83.4	83.3	84.0	79.2	131.2
Hamburg, 1 lb.	60.0	59.5	59.5	60.0	59.3	58.7	129.6
Liver, sliced, 1 lb.	60.4	60.3	59.6	61.0	61.0	60.7	109.2
<u>Pork</u>							
Rib chops, fresh, 1 lb.	97.4	99.9	84.6	82.1	88.2	85.1	133.7
Shoulder roast, Boston butt, fresh, 1 lb.	70.1	69.3	62.7	62.1	62.8	64.1	123.9
Sausage, pure pork, 1 lb.	70.6	70.0	70.1	70.1	70.3	72.4	122.3
Bacon, side, fancy, sliced, rind off, 1 lb.	92.4	90.9	85.6	85.5	88.3	93.0	96.9(7)
Ham, smoked, boneless,(4)	132.7	133.5	118.0	117.0	122.0	124.8	135.7
<u>Other meats</u>							
Lamb, leg roast, 1 lb.	80.6	82.2	81.3	81.9	83.8	81.9	109.8
Veal, loin chops, rib end, 1 lb.	129.0	126.1	122.3	121.2	125.2	119.7	142.1
Wieners or frankfurters, 1 lb.	61.4	62.0	63.3	62.8	61.8	62.4	113.5
Meat loaf, canned, mainly pork, 12 oz.	55.2	54.8	55.7	55.5	54.0	57.3	121.1
<u>Fish</u>							
Cod fillets, frozen, 1 lb.(6)	50.2	49.8	48.5	48.1	49.2	48.2	133.9
Salmon, canned, fancy pink, 7 3/4 oz.	44.5	44.4	42.3	42.3	42.8	41.6	123.9
<u>Fats and oils</u>							
Margarine, 1 lb.	33.1	33.8	35.0	34.6	33.9	35.4	106.9
Lard, pure, 1 lb.	22.9	22.7	24.6	24.4	22.8	27.4	99.2
Shortening, 1 lb.	38.8	38.8	39.9	39.9	39.3	40.2	109.7
Salad dressing, jar, 16 oz.	42.5	42.8	43.7	43.4	43.2	43.7	101.0
<u>Cereals and bakery products</u>							
Flour, white, all purpose, 1 lb.	12.2	11.9	11.9	11.9	12.0	11.8	135.8
Corn flakes, pkg., 12 oz.	36.2	36.0	34.8	35.1	34.8	34.8	117.5(8)
Macaroni, dry, pkg., 1 lb.	24.1	24.1	23.5	23.5	23.7	23.0	121.7
Cake mix, white, pkg., 16 oz.	39.7	40.1	39.5	39.4	39.5	39.3	122.9
Bread, plain, white, wrapped, sliced, 1 lb.	19.7	19.9	19.6	19.3	19.6	19.0	123.4
Soda crackers, pkg., 1 lb.	42.1	42.5	42.6	42.8	42.6	41.3	111.5
<u>Sugar and sweets</u>							
Sugar, granulated, 1 lb.	10.5	10.1	9.6	9.7	9.4	9.4	109.0
Jam, strawberry, 2 lb. jar, 1 lb.(5)	31.8	31.5	30.9	30.9	30.8	30.5	117.6
Honey, No. 1, white, 2 lb.	75.2	73.7	71.3	71.4	71.4	71.6	124.0

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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

	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Dec. 1967	1968	1967	1969 price relative
¢							
<u>Fruits</u>							1961=100
Oranges, California, medium size (138), doz.	55.4	61.8	65.7	60.3	70.2	56.0	95.3
Grapefruit, white, 48's, 1/2 doz.	58.1	68.4	64.2	66.1	80.7	63.0	107.8
Bananas, yellow, 1b.	18.3	16.8	15.8	16.9	17.6	18.0	97.7
Apples, volume seller, 1b.	19.7	19.6	17.4	16.9	22.1	19.9	111.2
Strawberries, frozen, fancy, pkg., 15 oz. ...	52.0	51.1	50.5	50.3	50.2	50.3	121.3
Orange juice, conc., frozen, fancy, 6 oz. ...	26.2	25.7	23.6	22.8	25.1	22.6	101.2
Apple juice, choice, 48 oz.	42.4	40.9	..	..	..	..	108.9(9)
Orange juice, unsweetened, 19 oz.	23.4	23.5	21.3	21.1	22.7	20.4	105.3
Pears, canned, choice, 14 oz.	26.4	25.8	24.3	24.1	24.9	23.8	121.3
Peaches, canned, choice, halves, 14 oz.	33.4	33.2	32.4	32.0	33.1	30.7	140.2
Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced, 19 oz.	42.1	41.2	42.3	42.1	41.9	42.1	100.4
Raisins, California and Australia, 1b.	43.6	43.5	40.8	39.7	41.6	37.9	146.7
<u>Vegetables</u>							
Potatoes, No. 1 table, 10 lb.	57.4	55.3	57.0	57.3	62.7	56.1	120.1
Onions, No. 1, cooking, 1b.	13.0	13.1	14.0	14.4	16.8	16.4	117.7
Carrots, 1b.	11.8	11.2	16.9	15.1	16.2	14.1	88.2
Turnips, Canada No. 1, 1b.	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.9	11.0	11.2	126.9
Cabbage, 1b.	14.2	9.2	14.0	10.2	12.2	12.7	160.6
Tomatoes, fresh, 1b.	36.3	53.0	34.1	31.4	37.7	31.4	144.6
Celery stalks, green, 1b.	21.3	17.8	24.9	20.4	19.9	19.9	137.4
Lettuce, head, fresh, 1b.	32.6	26.2	34.9	27.2	24.4	26.7	180.8
Green peas, frozen, fancy, pkg., 12 oz.	26.6	26.1	26.2	26.2	26.4	25.7	113.4
Green beans, Fr. cut, frozen, pkg., 10 oz. ...	27.3	27.2	26.9	27.1	27.2	26.9	101.9
Tomatoes, canned, choice, 28 oz.	34.0	34.1	34.5	34.3	33.9	35.5	126.2
Peas, canned, choice, 14 oz.	22.7	22.7	22.0	21.8	22.4	20.3	128.5
Corn, canned, cream, choice, 19 oz.	27.0	26.9	26.2	25.9	26.5	24.8	122.5
Infants' food, vegetable, tin, 4 3/4 oz.	13.1	13.0	12.6	12.6	12.7	12.4	121.8
Beans, with pork and tomato sauce, 14 oz. ...	24.1	24.1	23.2	23.0	23.2	22.9	127.2
Soup, vegetable, 10 oz.	15.0	15.1	15.5	15.5	15.3	15.5	100.3
Tomato juice, fancy, 48 oz.	42.2	41.5	..	..	..	..	103.4(9)
<u>Beverages</u>							
Tea bags, orange pekoe, pkg., 60-bag	84.0	83.7	85.0	85.0	85.2	84.9	102.9
Coffee, medium quality, pkg., 1b.	85.9	85.6	89.3	89.1	87.7	89.7	116.0
Coffee, instant, dried, jar, 6 oz.	109.4	108.9	107.0	107.5	108.5	106.8	108.6
<u>Miscellaneous groceries</u>							
Tomato catsup, bottle, 1l oz.	26.3	26.2	26.7	26.6	26.3	26.5	111.2
Peanut butter, plain, jar, 16 oz.	46.4	44.4	44.8	44.7	44.8	44.7	115.9
Pickles, sweet, mixed, jar, 16 oz.	40.9	40.6	39.7	39.6	40.1	39.3	117.6
Jelly powders, flavoured, pkg., 3 oz.	11.9	11.7	12.0	11.9	11.9	11.8	118.3

- (1) For detailed explanations on methods of pricing, calculation techniques, coverage and price collection, refer to Prices and Price Indexes, October 1957. Tear sheets of this material are available on request.
- (2) Includes cuts with bone-in and boned and rolled.
- (3) Includes cuts with blade-in and blade removed.
- (4) Average prices based on chain store prices in 7 cities.
- (5) Prices for pectin and pure jam combined.
- (6) Average prices based on prices in 16 cities.
- (7) 1965=100.
- (8) 1963=100.
- (9) June 1968=100.

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities, 1961-68

Note: These indexes measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to the subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.(1) For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 13.

	St. John's Nfld.	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- atoon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
1961=100										
<u>ALL-ITEMS</u>										
1961										
1962	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1963	100.8	101.3	100.9	101.2	101.2	100.9	101.3	101.7	101.0	100.3
1964	102.8	102.3	102.5	102.9	102.9	102.6	102.2	102.5	102.1	101.9
1965	103.9	102.7	103.5	104.5	104.5	104.3	103.8	103.5	102.6	102.6
1966	105.5	104.6	105.1	106.7	106.3	106.9	106.1	105.2	104.1	104.5
1967	108.0	107.4	107.8	109.9	110.4	111.6	109.3	108.3	107.5	107.0
1968	110.9	109.9	111.1	114.2	113.1	114.9	113.3	111.3	111.8	111.0
1969	115.9	114.2	115.1	118.1	118.4	119.3	118.2	115.8	116.7	115.1
1967 - Jan.										
Feb.	108.8	108.2	109.8	111.4	111.5	113.0	110.4	109.5	109.3	108.9
Mar.	108.5	108.4	110.1	112.0	111.5	112.9	110.7	109.3	109.3	108.9
Apr.	109.5	108.6	110.2	112.4	111.6	113.1	110.7	109.7	109.5	109.1
May	110.3	109.1	110.6	113.7	111.9	114.0	111.1	110.4	110.3	110.1
June	110.7	109.2	110.5	113.8	112.3	114.2	111.3	110.9	111.1	110.5
July	110.7	109.5	110.9	114.2	112.9	114.9	113.7	111.2	111.6	110.9
Aug.	110.9	110.0	111.1	115.2	113.6	115.6	114.4	111.8	112.6	111.4
Sept.	112.2	111.4	112.1	115.8	114.1	115.9	114.9	112.4	113.0	111.8
Oct.	112.1	110.8	111.9	115.3	113.9	116.0	115.4	112.4	113.6	112.1
Nov.	112.1	110.9	111.9	115.1	114.1	115.7	115.1	112.1	113.4	112.0
Dec.	112.1	111.3	111.9	115.7	114.9	116.2	115.5	112.8	113.7	112.1
1968 - Jan.	112.3	111.6	112.6	116.1	115.3	116.8	115.8	113.6	114.5	113.4
Feb.	112.8	112.3	113.4	116.9	116.3	117.5	116.9	113.7	114.7	113.9
Mar.	113.2	112.7	113.6	116.9	116.7	117.2	116.7	114.0	115.0	114.0
Apr.	113.6	112.5	113.9	116.7	117.1	117.9	116.6	114.8	115.0	114.2
May	115.2	113.4	114.3	117.6	117.1	118.6	116.9	114.8	115.6	114.6
June	115.7	113.4	114.7	117.6	117.5	118.5	117.2	115.2	115.6	114.4
July	116.1	114.2	115.2	117.7	118.0	119.1	117.6	115.7	116.5	114.6
Aug.	116.7	114.6	115.9	118.4	119.2	120.0	118.4	116.1	117.0	115.0
Sept.	118.2	115.3	116.3	118.9	119.6	120.0	118.7	116.4	117.3	115.2
Oct.	117.5	115.4	116.2	118.6	119.1	120.2	119.8	117.3	118.3	116.0
Nov.	117.0	114.7	115.7	118.6	119.1	120.4	119.1	116.7	118.2	115.8
Dec.	117.2	115.4	116.2	119.4	120.0	120.7	120.0	117.3	118.8	116.4
1969 - Jan.	117.7	115.9	116.4	120.0	120.2	121.5	120.3	117.7	118.9	116.8
Feb.	117.2	115.8	116.6	120.1	120.3	121.3	120.4	117.8	119.1	116.8
Mar.										
Apr.										
May										
June										
July										
Aug.										
Sept.										
Oct.										
Nov.										
Dec.										

(1) For explanation see page 44.

TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Continued

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TABLE 11. Consumer Price Indexes, Regional Cities - Concluded

TABLE 12. Average Weekly Wages in Manufacturing in Current Dollars and Adjusted for Changes in the Consumer Price Index, Canada(1)
1961-69

	Weekly wages in current dollars	Index numbers of weekly wages in current dollars (1961=100)	Weekly wages in 1961 dollars	Index numbers of weekly wages in 1961 dollars
	\$	\$	\$	
1961 - Average	74.45	100.0	74.45	100.0
1962 "	76.75	103.1	75.87	101.9
1963 "	79.51	106.8	77.24	103.7
1964 "	82.96	111.4	79.16	106.3
1965 "	86.89	116.7	80.94	108.7
1966 "	91.65	123.1	82.04	110.2
1967 "	96.84	130.1	83.64	112.4
1968 - Jan.	99.52	133.7	84.20	113.1
Feb.	100.53	135.0	84.29	113.2
Mar.	100.63	135.2	84.37	113.2
Apr.	104.28	140.1	87.37	117.4
May	104.42	140.3	87.21	117.1
June	103.98	139.7	86.34	116.0
July	102.26	137.4	84.69	113.8
Aug.	104.63	140.5	86.43	116.1
Sept.	107.43	144.3	88.52	118.9
Oct.	108.22	145.4	88.77	119.2
Nov.	108.66 ^P	146.0 ^P	88.85 ^P	119.3 ^P
Dec.				
1969 - Jan.				
Feb.				
Mar.				
Apr.				
May				
June				
July				
Aug.				
Sept.				
Oct.				
Nov.				
Dec.				

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 45.

TABLE 13. Inter-City Indexes of Retail Price Differentials, as at May 1968(1)
Selected Groupings of Commodities and Services
Winnipeg May 1968 Price Level = 100

	Halifax	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Winnipeg	Regina	Edmonton	Vancouver
Food at home	103	97	100	97	100	104	98	101
Household operation(2)	106	109	104	105	100	-	99	111
Clothing	96	97	96	95	100	-	96	99
Transportation	105	115	107	105	100	-	101	106
Health and personal care	102	99	108	107	100	-	110	107
Recreation and reading	102	107	103	105	100	-	100	111
Tobacco and alcohol	99	98	91	91	100	-	88	94

(1) For detailed explanation, see page 46.

(2) Excludes fuel and lighting.

TABLE 14. Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers
(1935-39=100)

	Composite index exclusive of living component (1)	Farm machinery	Equipment and materials	Taxes and interest rates(1)	Farm wage rates	Farm family living	Composite index inclusive of living component (1)
All Canada							
1949	204.1	158.3	180.3	138.7	373.3	173.2	191.7
1965	321.8	284.9	247.4	259.1	677.0	240.6	289.3
1966	343.2	293.1	254.0	272.2	764.4	248.2	305.2
1967	365.3	302.2	263.1	288.1	842.4	258.4	322.6
1966 - January	331.2	291.5	250.6	272.2	705.4	244.6	296.6
April	349.5	293.8	254.9	272.2	798.5	248.7	309.2
August	349.0	293.9	256.4	272.2	789.4	251.4	309.9
1967 - January	354.8	301.6	260.7	288.1	788.4	252.3	313.8
April	370.8	302.8	263.6	288.1	873.3	258.3	325.8
August	370.4	302.1	265.1	288.1	865.6	264.6	328.1
1968 - January	367.6	313.2	268.6	288.1	835.7	265.0	326.6
April	388.9	313.7	272.3	288.1	948.8	266.5	339.9
August	394.3	314.8	273.1	288.1	978.3	266.8	343.3
Eastern Canada							
1949	208.9	157.9	183.3	126.1	368.5	171.5	193.9
1965	329.0	286.6	241.7	266.3	661.3	240.8	293.7
1966	354.9	292.2	249.2	283.0	754.1	248.7	312.4
1967	378.5	301.3	260.1	298.2	825.2	260.0	331.1
1966 - January	346.9	289.9	244.4	283.0	728.2	244.6	306.0
April	360.5	293.3	251.1	283.0	776.6	249.2	316.0
August	357.4	293.3	252.1	283.0	757.5	252.3	315.3
1967 - January	372.3	301.2	257.5	298.2	801.8	253.5	324.8
April	383.5	301.4	261.3	298.2	846.7	260.3	334.2
August	379.7	301.2	261.5	298.2	827.0	266.3	334.3
1968 - January	383.8	311.0	262.8	298.2	843.7	267.0	337.1
April	402.7	311.3	266.8	298.2	927.4	267.9	348.8
August	409.3	311.5	265.5	298.2	965.1	268.7	353.1
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	314.7	277.7	279.6	979.2	265.1	331.1
August	380.6	316.1	282.4	279.6	997.0	265.0	334.4

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

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

Item	Canada			Maritimes			Quebec		
	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968
	dollars								
Corn, cracked	3.64	3.61	3.79	4.10	4.10	4.27	3.45	3.43	3.70
Oats, unground	3.30	3.31	3.45	3.53	3.62	3.61	3.35	3.37	3.51
Barley, ground	3.20	3.20	3.42	3.50	3.54	3.73	3.25	3.24	3.47
Wheat, unground	3.80	3.82	3.88	4.12	4.15	4.18	3.78	3.79	3.86
Bran	3.29	3.20	3.48	3.26	3.17	3.49	3.25	3.08	3.49
Shorts	3.41	3.34	3.68	3.46	3.33	3.64	3.42	3.31	3.71
Middlings	3.57	3.51	3.88	3.59	3.46	3.89	3.60	3.52	3.94
Linseed oil meal	5.96	5.97	5.92	6.51	6.59	6.42	5.87	5.87	5.81
Soybean oil meal	6.47	6.48	6.38	7.67	7.68	7.33	6.46	6.48	6.34
Calf starter (20-24%)	5.52	5.52	5.62	5.50	5.57	5.73	5.27	5.26	5.36
Dairy ration (16%)	3.93	3.94	4.07	4.09	4.11	4.17	3.95	3.95	4.09
Dairy supplement (24%) (East)	4.84	4.86	4.91	4.68	4.66	4.92	4.92	4.91	4.93
Dairy supplement (32%) (West)	5.45	5.46	5.38	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pig starter mash	5.23	5.22	5.43	5.16	5.20	5.44	5.28	5.31	5.54
Hog concentrate (35%)	6.86	6.85	6.78	7.45	7.45	7.45	6.91	6.95	6.89
Hog grower mash	4.12	4.13	4.28	4.46	4.48	4.54	4.13	4.15	4.34
Chick starter mash (18-20%)	5.41	5.42	5.48	5.71	5.70	5.80	5.28	5.30	5.45
Growing mash	4.69	4.69	4.83	4.79	4.78	4.87	4.80	4.81	5.00
Laying mash (17-20%)	4.75	4.74	4.85	5.04	5.06	5.18	4.85	4.84	4.96
Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.46	5.47	5.56	5.94	5.85	5.80	5.51	5.50	5.62
Turkey growing mash	5.20	5.22	5.36	5.65	5.65	6.00	5.39	5.37	5.64
 Ontario									
Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Jan. 1968	
dollars									
Corn, cracked	3.31	3.26	3.46	4.88	4.94	4.67	4.47	4.47	4.55
Oats, unground	3.27	3.25	3.48	2.59	2.62	2.63	3.63	3.63	3.73
Barley, ground	3.21	3.20	3.51	2.57	2.58	2.67	3.42	3.44	3.55
Wheat, unground	3.87	3.87	3.93	3.08	3.12	3.27	4.03	4.04	4.11
Bran	3.23	3.13	3.50	3.52	3.47	3.44	3.22	3.24	3.49
Shorts	3.37	3.29	3.74	3.54	3.53	3.49	3.32	3.36	3.68
Middlings	3.55	3.50	3.85	3.70	3.70	3.67	3.44	3.57	3.90
Linseed oil meal	5.80	5.82	5.74	6.01	5.99	5.90	6.41	6.41	6.56
Soybean oil meal	6.00	6.03	6.03	7.31	7.27	6.98	6.89	6.93	6.80
Calf starter (20-24%)	5.75	5.74	5.85	5.40	5.41	5.35	5.60	5.60	6.02
Dairy ration (16%)	3.90	3.90	4.05	3.69	3.75	3.76	4.06	4.06	4.24
Dairy supplement (24%)	4.66	4.67	4.81	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dairy supplement (32%) .....	...	...	...	5.39	5.41	5.34	5.84	5.81	6.10
Pig starter mash	5.25	5.24	5.52	5.43	5.37	5.48	4.67	4.65	4.76
Hog concentrate (35%)	6.85	6.84	6.80	6.62	6.53	6.48	6.98	6.98	6.70
Hog grower mash	4.08	4.08	4.29	3.74	3.76	3.83	4.32	4.32	4.44
Chick starter mash (18-20%)	5.60	5.59	5.73	5.14	5.18	5.14	5.52	5.52	5.46
Growing mash	4.74	4.72	4.91	4.28	4.31	4.37	4.85	4.85	4.97
Laying mash (17-20%)	4.71	4.70	4.83	4.44	4.46	4.52	4.89	4.82	4.90
Broiler starter mash (20-23%)	5.57	5.54	5.62	5.30	5.35	5.41	5.47	5.48	5.66
Turkey growing mash	5.40	5.41	5.50	4.86	4.89	4.88	5.24	5.26	5.41

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

TABLE 16. Index Numbers of Common and Preferred Stock Prices

(1956=100)

Current number of stocks	Investors index									
	Inves- tors(1) total	Total indus- trial trials	Indus- trial mines	Foods	Bever- ages	Textiles and clothing	Pulp and paper	Printing and publish- ing	Primary metals	Metal fabri- cating
	(114)	(80)	(4)	(11)	(7)	(5)	(7)	(4)	(8)	(9)
1958	94.1	90.6	76.3	108.9	103.2	102.1	81.2	141.1	81.2	82.7
1959	110.4	106.8	88.6	140.2	122.6	130.7	101.5	220.9	95.2	104.6
1960	104.5	101.7	95.8	127.3	117.5	114.5	100.2	253.4	87.6	82.6
1961	132.7	130.0	138.4	175.5	159.5	134.4	117.0	326.4	98.4	93.8
1962	127.9	125.5	129.7	163.5	174.4	153.7	118.6	300.6	86.4	92.3
1963	136.7	134.4	131.9	173.8	191.2	212.2	129.9	312.5	96.4	107.1
1964	160.3	163.6	169.7	190.9	219.6	291.9	161.8	326.4	118.6	136.5
1965	176.2	181.6	194.9	215.7	245.2	353.6	156.8	416.8	126.5	144.6
1966	166.2	172.7	190.4	207.8	208.4	309.1	138.5	467.9	120.1	135.3
1967	174.2	182.4	197.4	209.9	237.2	229.6	132.1	644.0	108.5	115.5
1966 - Sept.	152.7	158.1	171.8	196.4	183.9	272.6	132.1	437.5	106.3	119.3
Oct.	149.1	154.6	167.6	188.8	185.7	251.4	128.3	438.2	100.3	109.1
Nov.	152.4	158.8	171.3	191.6	197.5	253.5	129.7	465.7	101.0	108.1
Dec.	154.6	161.8	179.6	194.7	204.4	261.5	124.8	483.9	99.4	106.7
1967 - Jan.	163.3	171.1	185.2	200.4	218.5	285.2	132.6	512.4	109.6	114.8
Feb.	168.8	176.3	189.2	205.8	224.4	285.5	142.5	527.6	115.0	119.0
Mar.	171.4	177.4	186.1	211.9	232.8	262.2	148.8	553.5	113.4	118.7
Apr.	174.8	180.4	187.5	215.8	238.4	243.7	147.6	581.0	115.8	117.8
May	175.3	181.6	188.5	219.1	240.6	218.2	141.0	637.3	116.0	117.2
June	174.5	181.7	193.6	211.3	239.5	205.4	134.4	661.2	110.4	115.9
July	177.5	185.2	198.2	210.8	238.6	217.7	133.5	694.1	108.4	119.1
Aug.	180.8	189.3	201.6	215.7	248.8	223.8	131.8	728.2	110.9	120.0
Sept.	181.0	190.4	203.0	216.7	249.0	229.5	130.0	739.7	108.8	117.7
Oct.	176.3	187.3	208.3	208.9	241.0	213.1	121.9	716.5	102.1	115.9
Nov.	173.7	183.7	208.8	203.2	238.8	197.1	113.7	703.7	95.4	106.7
Dec.	173.6	184.5	219.2	199.7	235.7	173.4	107.5	673.4	95.7	103.4
1968 - Jan.	174.4	185.2	214.6	205.6	247.9	172.6	104.8	673.6	94.9	106.0
Feb.	163.8	172.8	199.8	198.3	237.4	152.8	97.1	630.2	88.2	96.8
Mar.	157.7	167.2	203.1	178.1	235.5	130.4	87.9	610.7	83.2	94.1
Apr.	169.1	178.8	210.8	180.2	251.3	130.1	97.0	682.5	87.4	104.2
May	171.2	181.0	208.2	191.4	259.0	142.4	93.6	688.7	87.6	115.3
June	174.4	182.7	202.5	199.8	263.8	146.1	100.4	677.9	88.0	123.8
July	181.8	189.4	198.4	225.3	277.4	162.1	112.0	689.5	93.7	130.3
Aug.	180.8	187.9	195.1	230.8	277.8	152.5	107.3	675.6	91.2	123.9
Sept.	187.8	193.5	193.2	240.0	292.2	171.4	116.8	654.1	100.6	132.7
Oct.	193.1	198.2	199.5	251.4	292.6	178.5	120.8	672.0	106.6	143.8
Nov.	196.0	199.2	196.3	250.4	298.2	173.4	123.9	689.4	112.0	151.6
Dec.	201.5	205.2	203.7	243.3	310.8	169.0	133.0	747.6	109.0	157.7
1969 - Jan.	203.1	208.7	212.8	238.9	311.8	164.3	144.4	752.9	111.8	157.5
Weekly index:										
Jan. 2	204.0	208.2	213.7	247.1	313.2	161.6	134.8	758.2	110.6	155.9
Jan. 9	199.9	204.7	210.1	244.3	305.3	160.2	135.5	752.4	107.3	150.5
Jan. 16	203.4	209.1	212.6	241.3	314.9	161.8	143.1	752.6	111.6	156.1
Jan. 23	204.1	209.9	211.0	232.0	310.6	163.7	153.2	751.1	115.7	161.3
Jan. 30	204.2	211.4	216.7	229.6	315.1	174.4	155.6	750.4	113.7	163.5

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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

Current number of stocks	Investors index									
	Non-metallic minerals	Petro-leum	Chemicals	Construction	Retail trade	Total utilities	Pipe-line	Transportation	Telephone	Electric-power
(4)	(7)	(4)	(4)	(6)	(20)	(5)	(4)	(3)	(3)	(3)
1958	107.3	94.0	78.6	103.1	139.8	100.4	105.5	83.9	87.2	107.9
1959	116.2	87.1	96.9	137.7	175.9	109.7	117.2	88.7	90.5	126.0
1960	95.3	78.2	84.2	104.4	142.5	104.7	106.2	76.6	97.7	116.3
1961	97.3	102.6	89.1	111.9	177.3	125.8	136.4	83.7	117.0	128.6
1962	103.2	101.7	102.3	89.2	157.3	123.1	141.1	83.2	117.9	110.6
1963	129.9	99.2	129.6	71.6	176.0	135.9	152.7	101.7	124.1	126.0
1964	152.5	115.0	166.8	69.7	229.0	153.7	178.6	149.0	130.8	132.3
1965	169.7	120.6	182.1	86.0	274.8	171.4	183.1	207.1	139.9	139.2
1966	140.0	122.7	147.6	79.9	259.2	162.7	159.8	192.3	122.6	148.4
1967	124.7	155.8	128.3	64.5	255.5	167.8	184.2	208.6	114.7	137.3
1966 - Sept.	130.4	116.3	140.5	72.1	243.5	151.0	147.9	184.2	114.7	135.5
Oct.	127.7	118.9	134.0	66.9	237.7	146.0	147.0	175.1	109.0	130.1
Nov.	124.1	125.0	134.8	68.1	238.1	147.0	149.2	175.4	109.5	127.3
Dec.	120.8	131.2	129.4	61.9	234.4	149.1	152.1	181.0	110.9	125.6
1967 - Jan.	130.2	141.0	134.4	65.0	243.4	156.0	161.6	187.6	115.2	131.9
Feb.	133.4	142.8	142.8	67.0	247.1	160.9	164.3	202.9	116.2	140.8
Mar.	137.3	139.1	149.5	63.8	250.2	166.1	170.8	212.3	120.5	141.8
Apr.	138.7	147.0	151.0	65.8	247.6	170.6	180.5	221.1	120.6	143.0
May	145.0	147.4	141.9	68.2	244.9	168.5	181.0	220.4	121.6	137.7
June	130.1	152.9	128.5	66.6	244.3	171.0	193.1	223.5	118.8	132.8
July	124.4	162.1	124.8	64.5	248.2	175.2	201.7	227.2	116.4	138.0
Aug.	123.4	164.1	123.0	64.6	256.5	175.7	197.8	223.5	115.3	139.8
Sept.	122.4	165.1	122.6	65.3	273.5	173.4	196.4	206.3	111.9	142.8
Oct.	116.8	164.8	112.9	62.9	274.2	167.5	186.6	201.1	108.7	137.3
Nov.	104.6	167.0	109.7	62.6	269.5	166.6	190.2	192.2	107.5	133.3
Dec.	89.8	176.7	98.3	58.2	266.3	161.8	186.8	185.7	104.1	128.6
1968 - Jan.	98.7	178.6	100.4	63.7	273.3	162.3	181.1	181.3	104.8	129.6
Feb.	92.0	162.7	94.0	61.2	259.4	153.7	166.0	171.1	103.8	122.8
Mar.	85.8	150.6	92.4	58.7	247.9	146.1	155.6	164.8	101.9	117.2
Apr.	88.8	160.4	100.4	66.2	277.1	154.1	164.0	171.0	104.7	121.9
May	95.5	163.3	105.9	71.3	284.0	154.0	167.6	176.7	101.5	120.0
June	93.0	168.0	106.7	77.4	294.6	159.0	176.4	189.6	101.9	118.6
July	107.0	176.1	116.5	82.9	308.6	166.5	179.8	197.1	106.8	128.3
Aug.	109.7	183.4	112.8	88.0	306.9	164.9	181.2	197.9	104.2	126.1
Sept.	122.0	190.8	121.7	98.2	312.5	173.8	192.9	209.4	109.2	133.1
Oct.	128.8	192.1	129.2	99.3	301.2	182.3	201.3	226.6	108.8	139.5
Nov.	129.4	189.0	126.0	103.5	294.2	185.5	198.0	234.4	111.3	146.4
Dec.	131.4	193.7	121.2	109.2	289.8	184.9	192.6	250.2	114.0	144.2
1969 - Jan.	130.3	194.7	126.3	112.8	275.2	181.7	195.5	247.3	110.7	138.3
Weekly index:										
Jan. 2	128.3	193.1	125.8	109.9	284.5	183.6	196.4	245.7	113.1	140.7
Jan. 9	127.2	190.3	122.5	108.6	278.8	179.9	194.5	238.6	110.9	137.5
Jan. 16	125.6	199.3	125.0	109.4	272.2	182.1	196.3	247.4	110.4	140.0
Jan. 23	131.4	197.1	128.2	119.1	270.0	181.8	194.3	252.0	110.3	137.1
Jan. 30	138.8	193.6	130.1	117.1	270.5	181.0	195.8	252.7	108.9	136.3

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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

Current number of stocks	Investors index				Mining index				Supplementary indexes		
	Gas distribution	Total finance	Banks	Investment and loan	Total mining	Golds	Base metals	Uraniums	Primary oils and gas	Preferred stocks	
	(5)	(14)	(6)	(8)	(24)	(13)	(11)	(6)	(6)	(24)	
1958	147.2	102.6	99.1	109.1	76.1	95.5	65.4	95.0	84.2	96.6	
1959	160.3	128.6	129.0	127.8	86.8	112.1	72.9	82.6	76.0	94.6	
1960	142.2	117.3	116.0	119.8	76.6	99.7	64.0	59.1	48.2	91.9	
1961	191.3	154.3	142.2	177.1	92.5	104.6	85.9	71.8	59.1	97.8	
1962	190.9	145.6	136.1	163.3	95.9	112.5	86.8	76.7	63.4	99.3	
1963	217.9	148.8	141.2	163.1	91.0	107.6	81.9	91.3	65.4	102.3	
1964	244.0	152.5	143.6	169.1	101.1	115.0	93.5	84.0	80.7	103.5	
1965	290.8	155.3	143.2	178.2	113.3	133.1	102.5	128.3	99.4	102.8	
1966	314.6	138.6	132.1	150.8	112.0	133.8	100.1	180.7	115.4	92.0	
1967	348.8	142.5	141.6	143.8	102.6	131.6	86.7	244.1	184.3	87.9	
1966 - Sept.	286.8	128.0	122.2	138.8	107.6	134.3	93.0	188.3	114.5	89.2	
Oct.	282.2	125.9	120.9	135.1	101.5	125.6	88.2	196.4	124.0	88.4	
Nov.	292.5	127.9	123.3	136.3	96.9	114.8	87.2	198.4	130.9	87.8	
Dec.	299.6	126.1	122.6	132.4	95.6	116.9	83.9	189.8	151.5	85.3	
1967 - Jan.	312.3	134.3	130.3	141.5	102.6	123.0	91.3	195.0	160.1	87.0	
Feb.	312.6	141.8	136.8	151.0	103.1	123.0	92.2	189.5	154.3	89.6	
Mar.	322.8	148.5	146.4	152.3	99.3	117.9	89.2	203.9	158.6	90.7	
Apr.	333.4	152.6	151.1	155.2	99.9	122.8	87.4	222.1	165.9	91.9	
May	318.6	152.6	150.7	155.6	98.9	126.4	83.9	243.1	159.8	91.4	
June	337.2	143.6	141.3	147.4	101.3	134.6	83.1	261.2	173.6	90.2	
July	355.8	142.6	142.8	141.6	100.0	128.2	84.5	261.5	190.8	90.5	
Aug.	375.1	146.2	146.9	144.4	103.9	135.1	86.7	255.4	205.9	90.6	
Sept.	383.7	145.1	146.6	141.8	105.1	135.9	88.3	272.1	216.6	87.2	
Oct.	375.4	133.7	132.9	134.8	106.1	141.1	87.0	283.6	207.5	83.6	
Nov.	384.0	133.6	134.2	131.8	104.0	139.6	84.6	273.4	197.8	82.2	
Dec.	374.2	135.4	139.1	127.8	107.0	152.1	82.3	268.6	220.4	80.0	
1968 - Jan.	392.4	137.4	141.9	128.3	111.6	163.2	83.4	276.5	228.1	80.6	
Feb.	366.6	132.8	137.1	124.0	109.8	163.3	80.6	243.5	193.1	79.1	
Mar.	336.5	126.1	131.0	116.3	109.6	163.3	80.2	239.4	174.3	76.9	
Apr.	374.0	141.7	150.6	124.2	102.4	149.4	76.7	251.3	189.9	75.4	
May	374.7	145.9	154.6	128.6	107.3	158.1	79.5	255.7	189.3	75.6	
June	392.8	154.0	164.9	132.4	108.6	158.1	81.4	257.8	205.5	75.0	
July	414.0	164.5	174.8	144.0	105.4	151.5	80.1	271.8	209.4	77.5	
Aug.	407.0	167.3	175.2	151.3	107.7	154.5	82.0	258.9	218.2	78.7	
Sept.	425.6	177.8	184.6	163.9	111.5	157.4	86.3	262.8	239.3	80.0	
Oct.	460.9	181.8	189.5	166.5	115.0	160.5	90.0	265.4	244.7	80.0	
Nov.	465.7	193.5	206.8	167.2	116.8	162.5	91.8	261.4	256.7	78.4	
Dec.	442.7	205.2	224.6	167.1	121.1	170.6	94.0	251.7	272.4	79.8	
1969 - Jan.	432.2	204.2	223.5	166.2	125.7	172.6	100.1	245.9	277.6	78.6	
Weekly index:											
Jan. 2	438.1	210.2	232.1	167.2	123.8	171.9	97.5	247.6	282.6	..	
Jan. 9	428.8	202.5	223.4	161.5	123.4	170.6	97.6	247.2	261.9	..	
Jan. 16	432.4	203.7	223.4	164.9	126.2	177.0	98.3	248.7	271.5	..	
Jan. 23	434.0	204.9	223.1	169.1	127.3	172.6	102.5	239.8	281.8	..	
Jan. 30	427.9	199.7	215.6	168.3	128.0	171.1	104.4	246.4	290.3	..	

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

TABLE 17. Base-weighted Highway Construction Price Indexes All-items and Major Components, Combined Annually, 1956-67
(1961=100)*

	All-items	Major components		
		Grading	Granular base courses	Surface courses
1956(1)	131.6	139.1	126.1	126.1
1957	122.1	123.2	117.6	127.5
1958	111.1	114.3	105.2	114.8
1959	112.2	113.7	109.5	113.7
1960	110.6	113.1	104.5	116.1
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962	103.7	107.6	97.6	106.2
1963	110.6	118.1	103.7	107.4
1964	113.5 ^r	118.6	109.6 ^r	109.8
1965	130.9 ^r	137.3 ^r	131.3 ^r	117.6
1966	140.1 ^r	147.3 ^r	140.1 ^r	126.0
1967	135.1	141.6	133.7	124.8
1968				
1969				

(1) The years referred to are fiscal years. For example, 1956 represents the period April 1, 1956 to March 31, 1967.

* To assist comparison with other published series the indexes presented below have been arithmetically converted from 1956=100 to 1961=100. The 1956=100 indexes are available on request.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE 18. Provincial Base-weighted Highway Construction All-items Price Indexes, Annually, 1956-67(1)
(1961-100)*

	Newfoundland	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	British Columbia
1956(2)	136.2	115.1	99.9	134.2	133.1	152.5	142.4
1957	114.6	104.5	97.1	117.5	149.1	156.7	132.6
1958	130.3	103.7	103.2	109.2	111.5	121.5	111.6
1959	118.9	110.0	102.5	113.8	109.7	111.0	114.1
1960	124.7	118.4	96.8	107.2	116.4	105.3	113.7
1961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962	109.1	98.2	99.3	110.2	108.0	98.4	95.2
1963	101.1	95.9	102.2	126.5	120.2	102.7	96.9
1964	108.4 ^r	96.4	103.7	123.7	123.7	116.8	106.1
1965	119.5 ^r	116.8 ^r	103.2	144.0	133.3	144.4	127.7
1966	129.6 ^r	116.1 ^r	103.6	157.4	152.9	168.1	129.7
1967	115.2	122.7	103.0	156.3	153.8	137.6	119.4
1968							
1969							

(1) Major components for the provincial indexes were presented in the September 1968 issue of Prices and Price Indexes.

(2) The years referred to are fiscal years. For example, 1956 represents the period April 1, 1956 to March 31, 1957.

* To assist comparison with other published series the indexes presented below have been arithmetically converted from 1956=100 to 1961=100. The 1956=100 indexes are available on request.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE 19. Price Indexes of Electric Utility Distribution Systems, Transmission Lines and Transformation and Switching Stations, Canada, Annually 1956-67(1)
(1961=100)

	Distribution systems			Transmission lines		Transformation and switching stations	
	Total	Construction	Equipment	Total	Total	Structures	Equipment
						Improvements	
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	113.5	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	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 preliminary	117.4	125.2	99.7	118.6	120.1	124.2	114.1
1968							
1969							
1970							

(1) Major component and item indexes were presented in the July 1968 issue of Prices and Price Indexes.

Explanation of Markets 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 inventories, to name a few, which also conform to the Standard Industrial Classification. Thus, Industry Selling Price Indexes have a clearly defined conceptual basis which fits into a common framework of analytical statistics. For this reason and because of their relatively high standard of representativeness they are recommended over their counterpart commodity series of the General Wholesale Index for purposes relating to output of manufacturing industries. However, because Industry Selling Price Indexes are available only since 1956 (in a few cases since 1949) the General Wholesale Index and its components must still be relied upon for earlier periods.

A complete description of these indexes is contained in: Industry Selling Price Indexes 1956-59, Catalogue No. 62-515

General Wholesale Index (1935-39=100)

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

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

For further details about the General Wholesale Index please consult: Wholesale Price Indexes 1913-59 (Reference Paper No. 24) Prices and Price Indexes 1949-52 (Vol. 23) (Catalogue No. 62-501).

Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers

The index of Commodities and Services used by Farmers is designed to measure the change in retail prices of farm operating costs and farm living costs. It is calculated thrice yearly, viz.: January, April and August, and is on the base 1935-39=100. For an explanation of method of construction and an historical record, please refer to "Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers, 1913 to 1948 (Revised 1948)." A special bulletin giving total and group index detail is released subsequent to each pricing date.

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

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

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

Unit	Final participation payments 1966-67 indexes revised August 1966 - July 1967		Initial payments 1966-67 included in index August 1966 - July 1967	Initial payments 1967-68 included in index August 1967
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<u>Wheat</u>				
No. 1 Manitoba Northern	bushel	1.982	1.50	1.70
No. 2 Manitoba Northern	bushel	1.956	1.46	1.66
No. 3 Manitoba Northern	bushel	1.912	1.42	1.62
<u>Oats</u>				
No. 2 C.W.	bushel	.832	.60	.65
No. 3 C.W.	bushel	.801	.57	.62
No. 1 Feed Oats	bushel	.793	.55	.60
<u>Barley</u>				
No. 1 Feed	bushel	1.205	.87	.97
No. 2 Feed	bushel	1.183	.84	.94

Security Price Indexes

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

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

For the list of stocks currently included in the indexes, see Prices and Price Indexes for February 1968. The following changes have occurred to the list of stocks: in April, MacLean-Hunter Publishing Co. Ltd. changed its name to MacLean-Hunter Ltd., Canada Iron Foundries changed its name to Canron Ltd., and Stanrock Uranium Mines Ltd. was introduced into the Uraniums index to replace Gunnar Mining Ltd., Lorado Uranium Mines Ltd., and Rayrocks Mines Ltd. In July, Montreal Locomotive Works Ltd. changed its name to MLW - Worthington Ltd. and Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines Ltd. (see below) became Hollinger Mines Ltd. In August, Canada Packers Ltd. "B" changed its name to Canada Packers Ltd. Husky Oil Canada Ltd. changed its name in September to Husky Oil Ltd.

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

The Residential and Non-Residential Building Materials Price Indexes

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

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

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

Beginning in 1966 the sample of prices used to calculate the indexes has been revised while the weighting patterns and time bases have been left as described above. The new prices have been selected from the industry classified system of prices shown in Table 2 of this publication entitled "Industry Selling Price 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 taxes are excluded. Federal sales tax has been added to these prices where applicable.

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

As well as updating the commodity coverage for the residential index, the new price sample has the advantage of measuring price change at a consistent level in the distribution process and is based on the wide range of commodity detail available in the Industry Selling Price 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 18-7080 -
Price \$.10.
2. Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index 1935-52, Catalogue 8002-524 - Price \$.25.

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

Highway Construction Price Indexes (1961=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 1961. The arithmetic conversion of the indexes to a 1961 time base does not change their percentage movements as compared to the previously published indexes to a 1956=100 time base. Users are warned that an aggregation of the converted major group indexes with the published weights will not yield the published 1961=100 all items indexes. The conversion does not create this problem for a user wishing to reweight the converted major group indexes using weights appropriate to his own purpose.

Base-weighted indexes are published annually and measure, for the period 1956 to 1967, the effect of price change on the cost of specific programmes of highway construction in Canada represented by highway construction contracts of approximately \$50,000 or more awarded by specified provincial governments during the weight-base period. Weights of items in the index, representing the relative importance of units of construction in the year 1956 are held constant. Only the estimate of prices change from year to year, and the indexes thus measure the movement of prices through time(2). The all-items index or its components are useful for planning and budgeting for highway construction programmes, in escalating or up-dating previously costed roadwork, in estimating replacement costs of previously completed roadwork, and as historical measurements of price trends in highway construction.

The indexes do not necessarily reflect the price movements of non-contract construction or maintenance work. The indexes are designed to measure price changes for a fixed programme of highway construction, in each of the seven provinces. Because price levels in the time base-period (1961) varied from province to province the indexes cannot be used to compare price differences between provinces, but only to compare differences in the rate at which prices are changing in the 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

(1) The years refer to fiscal years. Thus 1967 refers to the period April 1, 1967 to March 31, 1968.

(2) For a more complete statement of the problems of estimating price change for highway construction see pages vi & vii of the December issue of Prices and Price Indexes, DBS publication 62-002 and pages 9 & 10 of the reference paper Price Indexes of Highway Construction in Canada DBS publication 62-520.

prices of units of construction in groups of contracts awarded, (1) classified by price-determining characteristics of the contracts and the bid items such as volume of the bid item, type of contract and geographic location. Prices of material items of supply are prices paid by government departments to suppliers.

Development of a Quebec Highway Index has begun and it is hoped that data will be released by September of 1969.

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

Price Indexes of Electric Utility Construction

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 programme 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 could then be combined into an aggregate index by utilizing weights derived from the projects or assets to be costed or deflated.

Prices 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 government 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'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 non-municipal utilities but the majority of the cost data tabulated was derived from the major nonmunicipal utilities. Manufacturers who produce electricity for their own use and who may also sell electricity have been excluded from the cost survey.

Retail Price Indexes

Consumer Price Index for Canada (1961=100)

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 by a particular population group in a specified time period. The "basket" is an unchanging or equivalent quantity and quality of goods and services of items for which there is a continually measurable market price over time, corresponding to a specific quantity of the item.

The index relates to a broad but specific group of urban families and reflects the price changes experienced by that "target group". The index is unlikely to represent closely the experience of any one family within the group nor should it be expected to reflect price change for other population groups for which income, family size and place of residence are characteristically different. The target group to which the current index relates is composed of families - (a) living in cities with over 30,000 population, (b) ranging in size from two adults to two adults with four children, and (c) with annual incomes during 1957 ranging from \$2,500 to \$7,000. To measure the influences of price change on the cost of goods and services purchased by such families, the Consumer Price Index reflects movements of some 300 items.

The history of consumer price indexes in Canada extends back to the early 1900's and encompasses periodic revisions of index base reference periods and weighting patterns. In 1952, the time base was updated to 1949=100 from 1935-39=100 and, at the same time, weights were revised to reflect family expenditure patterns in 1947-48. A subsequent revision of weights based on 1957 expenditures was introduced at the beginning of 1961 and the time base was revised from 1949=100 to 1961=100 at the beginning of 1969.

Full details on the latest weighting patterns and time base revisions are available in the occasional paper "The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1949=100) - Revision based on 1957 Expenditures", DBS Catalogue No. 62-518 and in the January, 1969 issue of the monthly bulletin, Prices and Price Indexes, DBS Catalogue No. 62-002.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities (1961=100)

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities are published monthly in this bulletin (Table 11). The regional indexes are similar in concept and item coverage to the Consumer Price Index for Canada except for their individual weighting systems.

Each index is designed to measure the influence of changes in retail prices taking place in the localities specified, upon the cost of a fixed basket of goods and services representing the level of consumption of a representative group of families in those particular areas.

In using the city indexes, it should be remembered that they are not indicators of comparative levels of prices as between the cities. That is, they do not in any way indicate whether prices are higher or lower in one city than in another.

For comparisons of retail price differentials between cities see Table 13 of this publication and the relevant explanatory note on page 46.

Measuring the Purchasing Power of Earnings

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

Suppose that a series of average weekly wages rises from \$80.00 in week A to \$100.00 in week B, and that in the same interval a consumer price index advances from 100.00 to 110.0. Because of the 10 per cent rise in consumer prices, \$1.00 will not buy as much in week B as it would in week A. Likewise, a 25 per cent rise from \$80.00 to \$100.00 will overstate the increase which has occurred in the purchasing power of average weekly wages. This overstatement can be removed by reducing the figure of \$100.00 by the amount of the consumer price increase. The adjusted average is \$90.91 ($100.00/110.0 \times 100.0$), which may be referred to as a weekly wage average for week B expressed in the dollars of period A, or it may be said to indicate the level of real weekly wages relative to week A.

The foregoing calculation can be carried a step further to express in index number form the relationship between the week A average of \$80.00 and the week B figure of \$90.91. Taking the week A average of \$80.00 as equal to 100.0, the week B index becomes 113.6 ($90.91/80.00 \times 100.0$). Such an index may be called an index of weekly real wages. It indicates that average wages for week B will buy 13.6 per cent more goods and services than those received in week A, in spite of a 10 per cent rise in consumer prices. This 13.6 per cent increase in real wages compares with the rise of 25 per cent in money wages ($100.00/80.00 \times 100.0$).

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

It should also be kept in mind that measures of change in real earnings calculated from averages of gross earnings may differ from changes in the purchasing power of "take-home" pay, due to such factors as changes in personal income tax, pay deductions for such things as social insurance and pension plans. Thus index numbers of real wages should not be interpreted as measuring fluctuations in the levels of consumption of wage-earners or wage-earners' families; they are intended to show only the trend in purchasing power of wages over the items covered by the price index, and in addition to the factors already mentioned, do not take into account other family income (including family allowances) or changes in the savings position of families.

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

Indexes of Retail Price Differentials

Statistics previously published relating to differences in retail prices between Canadian cities had been limited to indexes measuring comparative food price levels. Table 13 summarizes the results of a detailed revision of earlier urban place-to-place food indexes and expands the scope of spatial retail price measurements to take in other elements of the family budget. A fuller explanation of the study from which this table is derived, including more details of these inter-city price comparisons, are contained in the November 1968 issue of Prices and Price Indexes (DBS Catalogue Number 62-002). In all, inter-city price comparisons were drawn for commodities and services comprising nearly three-quarters of the budget on which the Consumer Price Index for Canada is currently based. Major omissions are shelter (both rented and owned), domestic utilities (fuel, light and water), and restaurant meals. While recognizing the importance of shelter differentials in any overall comparison of the general price level being encountered by consumers in different urban centres, the problems inherent in drawing valid comparisons between cities are such as to require a good deal more research. Meanwhile, it is considered that, despite the absence of shelter differentials at this time, publication of retail price comparisons for other elements of the budget will go some distance towards serving the varied needs of users.

The original data base of this study was the wide range of retail price quotations collected in the course of production of the national and urban Consumer Price Indexes. In developing these spatial price comparisons efforts were made to achieve comparability by equating qualities of goods and services and by matching types of retail outlets, as far as possible. Price relationships between pairs of cities were derived and subsequently converted to a common base of Winnipeg prices equaling 100 to facilitate comparisons over the whole range of cities. The up-dating of these measurements of inter-city retail price differentials was accomplished by application of the relative movement of prices, at the item level in each city, over the intervening period as derived from the relevant city consumer price indexes. These price relationships at the item level were aggregated on the basis of the Canada urban consumer spending pattern, rather than the patterns applicable to individual cities. While differences in spending patterns exist among cities, the magnitude of these differences in the cities covered is not such as to affect most of the spatial comparisons significantly. Because of the previously mentioned absence of shelter price relationships, which may be of considerable significance in any overall comparison of inter-urban retail price differentials, aggregative indexes beyond major budget groupings are not shown.

It should be noted that the retail prices used in this comparison, being those faced by consumers, include sales and excise taxes as applicable. Variations between provinces in the scale of sales taxes imposed on a wide range of non-food commodities can be of significance in explaining inter-city price differentials for these items.

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

Reference Papers and Special Publications

Price

The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1949=100) - Revision Based on 1957 Expenditures (Catalogue No. 62-518)	\$.75
Urban Retail Food Prices, 1914-59 (Catalogue No. 62-514)	1.00
Industry Selling Price Indexes, 1956-59 (Reference Paper, Catalogue No. 62-515)	1.50
Wholesale Price Indexes, 1913-50 (Reference Paper No. 24)75
Price Index Number of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers 1913 to 1948 (Revised, 1948) (Catalogue No. 62-503)10
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