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## INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESAIE PRICES NOVMMBMR, 1929

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926. 100 fell from 96.7 in Oct ber to 95.8 in November. 111 quotations were lawer, 44 were higher, and 347 remained unchanged.

Vegetables and Vegetable Products gain moved lower, declining from 95.7 to 93.7. No important price gains were made within the group, while a lengthy list of losses was recorded, the greatest being for grains, rubber, vegetable oils, coffee, and turpentine. Animals and Their Products declined from 109.9 to 108.6 largely due to the regression of livestock and meat prices, which was of greater account than the increase noted for eggs and fish. Icwer quotations also dcminated the Textiles and Textile Products group, the index for which fell from 90.4 to 89.8 . All raw materials cheapened during the month and cctten fabrics were likewise reduced in price. Mood, Mood Products, and Paper advanced from 93.3 to 93.6 , better prices for items of white pine lumber and groundrood pulp more than offsetting decreases for hemlock, fir, and cedar. Iron and Its Products remained unchanged at 93.6. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Preducts, horever, declined frcm 97.5 to 96.7 , lower quotations for lead, silver, tin, spelter, and solder, - verbalancing mincr gains in copper prices. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products rese from 92.2 to 92.7 , because of advances made by western dcmestic coal, fuel oil and lime. Chemicals and Allied Preducts dropped from 96.1 to 95.4 , due to lower quotations for itens in the dyos, paints, and fertilizers sub-grcups.

Consumers' goods changed only from 95.4 to 95.3 in November. Focas, with the exception of fish and eggs, were generally cheaper. Amongst other consumers' gexds a number of textile fabrics were lower, but coal prices advanced.

Producers' goods declined more appreciably from 97.3 to 95.3 . Lower quotations for grains, livestock, raw textile materials, rubber, and other less important items more than overbalanced advances registered by mechanical pulp, fuel cil and ccpper.

Raw and Partly Manufactured goods fell from 100.2 tc 97.2 , largely due to considerable decreases in the prices of grains, livestcck, hides, raw wcol, raw cottcn, ard raw rubber, which exerted a greater weight upon the index than higher quotations for eggs, milk, and ccal.

Fully and Chiefly Manufactured gocds deciined less sharply from 93.7 to 92.9 . Flour and milled prcducts, bakery praducts, leather products, wocl fabrics, cured meats, and chemicals were lower, while butter, fuel cil and cured fish advanced in price.

Ferm Products dropped from 105.4 to 101.0, higher prices for eggs, and milk, acting as a check to the dnmmard movement led by grains, vegetables, fruits,livestrck, wotl, and hides.

RESUNE OF INPCRTANT PRICE CEANGES: GRAINS.- The course of Canadian grain prices during November was abruptly domward for the first two woeks, bringing them close to the levels of early May. A re-action almost as decided as the decline then began, which brcught mheat markets back to substantially the same price position occupied at the month's beginning. Ccmodity markets generally were womerhat affected by the stock market break which cocurred at the end of October, and in the case of wheat further depression ras caused by the European export situation. United Kingdom ports were reported tc have very large stocks in storage and the movement from the Argentine was very heavy. This led to decreased North Amorican shipments and increased visible supplies at a time when exactly reverse conditions had been anticipated. Prices reacted accordingly, reaching the lowest point of the month on November 12 th. Export enquiry then began tc improve under the etimulus of the very low quctations prevailing and alsc due to the slackening in Argentine shipmerts to Eurcpe. Persistert reports of rust damage in the Argentine further served to aid the recovery. Estimates of the new exportable surplus
were given lately as 10 w as $100,000,000$ bushels, although Broomhall placed the amount considerably higher at $165,000,000$ bushels.

Theat supplies of the present season are estimated by the Grain Division of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to be from 300:000,000 to 350,000,000 bushels less than those of the 1928-29 season. The current western Canadian wheat crop is new officially estimated at 271,607,000 bushels. No. I Manitoba Northern cash what Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis in November averaged $\$ 1.332$ per bushel as compared with $\$ 1.4138$ in October, and $\$ 1.5988$ in July, the peck month. Ontaric No. 2 wheat fell from $\$ 1.3376$ to $\$ 1.288$ per bushel.

Coarse grains all reached lower levels in November. Oats No. 2 C.W. dropped from $65.0 \phi$ to $65.6 \phi$ per bushel; No. 2 C. $W$. rye moved down from $\$ 1.02$ to $94 \phi$ per bushel; barley No. 3 C.T. fell from $69.8 \phi$ to 64.96 per bushel. Flax, however, received the greatest setback, averaging $\$ 2.72$ per bushel in November as against $\$ 2.87$ in October.

MIUIED PRCDITCTS.- Flour fallowed spasmodically the movement of wheat prices throughout the month. No. I paten Manitoba spring flour in 2-98's jute bags,however, averaged $\$ 8.60$, the same price which obtained in October. Rolled oats and oatmeal both decreased in price, the former ficm $\$ 4.40$ to $\$ 3.90$ per 90 pound bag, and the latter from $\$ 4.84$ to $\$ 4.29$ per 98 pound bag. The natural tendency of late has been towards a firm market for these products, hecause of the short oat crop. The fact that prices are lower instead of firm, is attributed to importations from the United States.

SUGAR. - The price of Cuban raw sugar 96 centrifugal c.\& f. New York, dem clined from $\$ 2.3125$ to $\$ 1.9375$ per 100 pounds. The statistical position of Cuban stocks continued to improve steadily but the situation at New York, where in midNovember stocks on hand were 2,690,707 bags, or more than double those at that time last year, caused prices to weacen.

Refined sugars did not re-act imediately to the svement in raws, and granulated sugar mas quoted ai $\$ 5.27$ per 100 pounds, the same price that prevailed in mid-october.

RUBBFR. - Rubber in some positions was quoted at the lowest figures recosded since 1922. English reports abnut the middle of the month told if increasing stocks and lack of consumers' interest. It was also pointed out that in both British and Dutch estates production is likely to be increased by the early maturing of many thousand acres of yourg trees. British estates are estimated to cont,ain 425,000 acres of this kinc, while their present producing acreage amounts to $2,328,0$. Dresent indications point to a 1929 production increase of Dutch rubber ammunting to $14 \%$ from estates, and to $26 \%$ from native producers. The trend of interest regarding irganization among rubber growers seems at present to be towards combination for contrcl of sales rather than fur control of production, which the large amount of mbber produced by natives, makes almost impcssible. It is hoped that the position of growers would in this way be improved because of their increased bargaining power.

Ceylon ribbed smiked sheets averaged $16.73 \phi$ per pcund in Nivember as compared with $19.71 \phi$ in October, and first latex crepe likewise declined from $20.57 \phi$ to $17.76 \phi$.

COFFHE. - Soffee markets continued to be unsteady during November. The Iikelihood of a smaller Brazilian crop for the current year offers scme prospect of d"s' ${ }^{*}$ relief, but the problem of financing the existing carry-over is still far frcm complete solution.

Grod quality, green Santos coffee fell from $27 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ tc $26 \phi$ per pound between rctober and November, and gocd quality green Jamaica declined from $27 \phi$ to $25 \phi$ per pund.

IIVESTCCK - The trend of Caradian cattle prices has been steadily dcmnward since June, and guctations are now at the lorest point since June, and quotations are now at the lowest point since the fall of 1927. Phis has been largely attribured to pocr pasturage criditions which caused the autumn clearance of pastured cettle ts begin abnormally early, and which were also to blame for the poor quality of the general run of animals marketed. More abmpt price recessions have probably been prevented by the reduction in the number of cattle offered for sale. Stock yard sales for the first ten months of 1929 amounted to only 643,433 as compared mith 723,526 for the sane months of 1928. The November markets for cattle were somewhat sluggish in the earlier stages, but buying sentiment became brisker in the final week.

Good steers, 1,000 to 1,200 pounds at Tcrontc, averaged $\$ 8.89$ in November as compared with $\$ 9.00$ in October; at Tinnipeg they mored dom from $\$ 8.07$ to $\$ 7.97$. Gcod real calves rere somewhat steadier especially in eastern centres. At Torontc they
averaged $\$ 15.25$ as against $\$ 15.26$ for the previous month, while at Winnipeg prices eased 236 to $\$ 9.71$. Hog markets were weaker towards the end of the month, and bacon hogs at Ioronto moved down from $\$ 12.39$ to $\$ 11.52$. Lambs were higher with the end of large autum mans in sight unusually early. Gooc. handyweight lambs at Toronto mounted from $\$ 11.03$ to $\$ 11.00$ per cwt., while at Winnipeg the advance from $\$ 9.50$ to $\$ 9.60$ was less appreciable.

HIDES.- Prices for hides took tice sharpest drop in November, so far experienced during the yea., Conditions in the leather trades were reported as quiet, and American hide markets were perceptibly meaker.

Beef hides, country cured, flat, 1 and ?., dropped from $12 \phi-12 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $10 \phi-10 \frac{1}{2} \phi$, and packer hides, native steers were $14 \frac{2}{2} \phi-16 \phi$ as compared with $16 \frac{1}{2} \phi-18 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ in october.

EGGS - Egg prices came to the end of their longulnterrupted ascent late in November. Increased supplies for shipments at lower prices in British Columbia, was given as the prime cause of easier quotetions which prevailed at the end of the month. Fresh eggs have been reported to be in small demand owing to the very high prices existing, while storage eggs are finding reaay markets, and warehouse supplies seem likely to be of very moderate size by the end of the year.

COTION.- Early in Novemer cotton prices moved downward following the collapse in the securities market. Towards the middle of the month, reports of small ginnings caused prices to use rapialy for a time, but lack of substantiating evidence resulted in prices again receding. The world's visible supply of American cotton was estimated near the end of November a.t $5,627,766$ bales, over 300,000 bales more than at this time last year. The price of $x, 0$ cotton, upland middling, at New York fell from $18,463 \phi$ per pound in October, to $17.53 \phi$ in November, and quotations for raw cotton, upland midding $l$ to $l 1 / 16$ at Hamiltinn mere also lower at 18.76 per pound.

SIIK.- Quotations for raw silk were lover in ivember than in the preceding month. Ram silk, grand double extra, fell from $\$ 5,40$ to $\$ 5.15$ per pound, crack double extra from $\$ 5.15$ to $\$ 4.75$ per pound, and extra from $\$ 4.95$ to $\$ 4.60$ per jound. Reports of a large crop in Japan acted against jinc:eases in orice.

LUMBER ANL PUTP - Reports upen the present condition of lumber markets give indication ồ very slack demand, and imedate prospects winich are not promising. British Columbia logging camps especieily on Vancourer Island, are aaid to be cutting down operations considerably, and the trend in the east, seems to be in this direction also, although curtajiment as indicated by reports, will not be so marked as in the west.

White pine C. selects and better $I^{\prime \prime}$ thick, moved against the weaker trend and advanced from $\$ 85.00$ to $\$ 90.00$ per inco board feet, while other items of white pine also mounted higher. Lower quotations noted hor spruce, hemlock, fir, and cedar, however, were probably more indicative of the general market than the increases registered for white pine.

Groundwood pulp prices stiffened perceptibly during the month, owing to very limited supplies and active demand. It is said tiat little relief can be expected in tiae way of imports from the United States as the home market there is absorbing practically all the mechenical pulp available. Tre veri active condition of the Canadian market is stated to have heen caused by the acute cumer drought which greatly lowered water levels and reduced possible producti..n. quotations are reported to have reached $\$ 34.00$ per ton during the month, but a range of $\$ 2 g_{n} 00-\$ 32.00$ per short ton, f.o. b, mill would be mora representative of the market.

IRON AND SMEHIS.. The iron ard stel market remained very steady in November. Price movements were the excortio. rather tinan the ruie although steel tank plates base, foonb. Pittsburgh mill sagged from \$1.95 in Octuber to \$1.90 per cot. Large shipments of pig iron against contract wore renortel by producers, although it was noted that sevcral automozile plents anû agricultruel impleneit concerns have curtailed production. This decrease howeves, shouli affect importetions rather than home production.

TIN .. Farly in Nevember, tine price of tin dropped to the lowest level for the past six years. Tn\#ards the inttes part ori the month sales on the London markets actuated by rumors of proposed procucticn curi' ailmort were large, with advanced prices. Those on the New York marinet, however, were on the contrary very low.

The Torldis visibie sunply of tin ficr lovember was reduced to 25,171 tons, 409 tons less than that of the preceding anth. The price actertheless, fell from $4.6 \frac{1}{2} \phi$
in October to $43 \frac{3}{4}$, new porma in Noyember
COPPER $\quad$ Morla production uf copper for October was 178,269 short tons, an increase of 3,715 tons above the Semerber outpui. Canadian prices notwithstanding were maintained fulsly constant througnut November mith electronce copper quoted slightiy higher than in 0.tnour at $\$ 19.75$ ner 100 pounds, and copper sheet prices the same as in the prerious montio at 3 2n $18_{6}$ per pound

EPTCK AND LIND." The prire of sandizie beicis Poodo plant Toronto fell from $\$ 14.00$ in $0 c t 00 e r$ to $\$ 13.50$ per $M$ in Noverber but geneacily brick quotations rere firm. Quick lime end hydreted lima rere both bigh, quotations for the former rising 15\% to $\$ 7040$ per ton and for the latton $50 \%$ to $\$ 5.80$ per tom

CHEMTCAIS - Chemical quoteitions for Novenver showed little variation from those of the previous month, axcept in the cese of shellac and the fortilizor group. Early in the month, the Arerican mentet repor ej o sljgat recession in prices of spot shellac, whilc other markets showec a marisét declinc due large?y to mururs of selling pressure in the phst. This danmard tendency wes reflected in the November quetation


The tone of fertilizer prices wias slighty weaker on the average. Muriate of potash was quoted at $\$ 39.00$ a ton, dried blood at, $\$ 70.00$ and bone meal at $\$ 41.00$ althoush superphosphate moved 31.00 higher to $\$ 15$. 50 ree ton.

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Miscellaneous


|  | Price series | Nov. $1928$ | Aug. $1929$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & \hline 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Index 502 Commodities | 502 | 94.9 | 98.1 | 97.3 | 96.7 | 95.8 |
| INDEX NUMBERS OF CONMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING MO THEIR CETE COMPONENT MATRRIAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I. Vegetable Products, (srain, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 124 | 87.3 | 99.3 | 97.6 | 96.3 | 93.7 |
| II. Animals and Their Products | 74 | 110.3 | 108.3 | 108.7 | 109.7 | 108.6 |
| III. Fibres, Textiles and Their Products | ts 60 | 92.2 | 91.1 | 91.2 | 90.4 | 89.8 |
| IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper | 44 | 98.6 | 94.0 | 93.7 | 93.3 | 93.6 |
| V. Iron and Its Products | 39 | 92.8 | 93.9 | 93.9 | 93.6 | 93.6 |
| VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their | 15 | 94.1 | 98.5 | 98.2 | 97.5 | 96.7 |
| VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their | 73 | 92.8 | 93.6 | 93.1 | 92.2 | 92.7 |
|  | 73 | 94.3 | 96.0 | 96.2 | 96.1 | 95.4 |
| ITSDEX NUMEERS OF COMODITIES OLASSIFIED |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ACCORDING TO PUFPOSE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I. Consumers' Goods | 204 | 95.1 | 95.9 | 95.6 | 95.6 | 95.3 |
| Food, Beverages and Tobecco | 116 | 99.1 | 103.2 | 102.9 | 103.8 | 102.7 |
| Other Consumers ${ }^{\text {l }}$ Goods | 88 | 92.4 | 91.1 | 90.5 | 90.1 | 90.3 |
| II. Prodicers! Goods | 351 | 93.4 | 100.3 | 99.0 | 97.3 | 95.3 |
| Producers' Iquipment | 22 | 92.8 | 94.9 | 94.8 | 94.4 | 94.6 |
| Producers' Materials | 329 | 93.5 | 100.9 | 99.5 | 97.6 | 9j. 5 |
| Building and Construction Materials | 1897 | 98.3 | 99.8 | 100.2 | 98.8 | 98.5 |
| Manufacturers' Naterials <br> INDEX NUKBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED | 232 | 92.4 | 101.2 | 99.3 | 97.3 | 94.8 |
| INDEX NUNBERS OF ConModities CiassiriedACOORDING TO ORIGIN |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Raw or Partiy Mave factured | 232 | 94.4 | 101.? | 101.4 | 100.3 | 97.2 |
| Total Fully or Chiefly | 276 | 94.2 | 94.8 | 94.2 | 93.9 | 92.9 |

I. Articles of Farm Origin
(Domestic and Foreign)
A. Field, (grains,fruits, cotton,etc.)

| (a) Raw or par tly manufactured | 98 | 82.0 | 99.7 | 97.5 | 94.0 | 88.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (b) Fully or chiefly | 69 | 90.4 | 94.1 | 94.2 | 94.1 | 93.5 |
| (c) Total | 167 | 86.5 | 96.6 | 95.7 | 94.0 | 91.3 |

B. Animal
(a) Raw or partly manufactured
(b) Fully or chiesly "
(c) Total

| 41 | 116.8 | 112.4 | 115.3 | 118.2 | 115.6 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 49 | 100.3 | 99.6 | 97.3 | 97.1 | 97.3 |

O. Canadian Farm Products
(1) Field (grain, etc.)
(2) Animal
(3) Total

Articles of Marine Origin
(a) Raw or partly manufactured
(b) Fully or chiefly
${ }^{-}$
(c) Total

| 13 | 116.1 | 110.3 | 112.7 | 115.9 | 113.0 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 59 | 96.1 | 108.0 | 106.9 | 105.2 | 101.0 |

III. Articles of Forest Origin
(a) Raw or partly manufactured
(b) Fully or chiefly "1
(c) Tatal

| 31 | 101.3 | 100.8 | 100.1 | 99.4 | 99.9 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 21 | 96.2 | 87.7 | 87.7 | 87.7 | 87.7 |
| 52 | 98.6 | 93.8 | 93.5 | 93.2 | 93.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 57 | 91.2 | 92.8 | 92.9 | 92.5 | 92.1 |
| 126 | 92.1 | 93.7 | 93.3 | 92.3 | 92.4 |
| 183 | 91.7 | 93.3 | 93.1 | 92.4 | 92.3 |

(Classified According to Chief Ormponent Material)
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|  | Commodities $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Frice } \\ & \text { Series }\end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Noт. } \\ & 19: 8 \end{aligned}$ | August 1929 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { oct. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Not. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Index : 502 | 94.9 | 98.1 | 97.3 | 96.7 | 95.8 |
| 1. | Vegetable Products 124 | 87.3 | 99.3 | 97.6 | 96.3 | 93.7 |
|  | Fruits 15 | 120.5 | 127.4 | 125.1 | 122.8 | 121.7 |
|  | Fresh, Domestic 3 | 160.1 | 169.5 | 169.5 | 166.8 | 155.1 |
|  | Fresh, Foreign 4 | 101.0 | 101.1 | 94.0 | 92.8 | 99.7 |
|  | Dried 5 | 84.0 | 110, 1 | 110.1 | 103.3 | 108.2 |
|  | Canned 3 | 96.9 | 96.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 101.0 |
|  | Grains 23 | 84.9 | 109.7 | 105.2 | 100.0 | 94.4 |
|  | Flour and Milled |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Products 9 | 90.8 | 193.1 | 102.2 | 102.6 | 101.9 |
|  | Bakery Products ? | 100.2 | 111.4 | 106.1. | 106.1. | 103.6 |
|  | Vegetable Oils 6 | 88.4 | 92.2 | 99.9 | 98.5 | 96.9 |
|  | Hubber and Its Products 6 | 69.9 | 65.1 | 65.1 | 65.1 | 65.0 |
|  | Sugar and Its Products |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Tea, Coffee, Cocoa \& |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Tobacco 8 | 68.3 | 68.3 | 68.3 | 68.3 | 68.3 |
|  | Vegetables 15 | 58.3 | 72.9 | 78.8 | 81.6 | 80.0 |
|  | Miscellaneous 22 | 94.7 | 90.8 | 90.5 | 91.1 | 90.0 |
| 11. | Animals and. Their Products 74 | 110.3 | 108.3 | 108.7 | $\log _{n} 8$ | $108.6$ |
|  | Fishery Products 16 | 108.1 | 118.29 | 104.7 | 107.7 | 107.8 |
|  | Furs 9 | 125.3 | 134.8 | 141.9 | 143.2 | 143.2 |
|  | Eilues and Skins | 161.7 | 126.5 | 132.5 | 126.2 | 110.4 |
|  | Leather, Unmanufactured. | 12.3 .4 | 110,5 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 109.8 |
|  | Boots and Shres | 113.1 | 107.8 | 100.7 | 100.7 | 100.7 |
|  | Live Stools | 209.1 | 129.9 | 117.8 | 112.9 | 111.4 |
|  | Meats and Peultry 10 | 10408 | 116.7 | 110.0 | 106.8 | 106.0 |
|  | Mils and Its products 12 | 11.108 | 101.1 | 105.1 | 108.2 | 109.4 |
|  | Fats | 95.9 | 86.9 | 84.0 | 86.1 | 88.2 |
|  | EgEs | 116.7 | 115.3 | 121.8 | 134.5 | 119.2 |
| 111. Fibres, Textiles \& Textile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cotton, ras 2 | 113,7 | 106.5 | 107.9 | 105.6 | 100.2 |
|  | Cotton Yarn and Thread 3 | 100.2 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 |
|  | Cotton Fabrics 17 | 91.3 | 91.3 | 91.3 | 91.3 | 91.2 |
|  | Knit Goods 1 | 34.4 | 94.4 | 94.4 | 94.4 | 94.4 |
|  | Sash Cord 1 | 113.0 | 133.0 | 113.0 | 107.1. | 107.1 |
|  | Flas, Hers \& Jute Products 8 | 89.4 | 84.4 | 86.3 | 83.9 | 83.4 |
|  | Silk, raw 3 | 81.7 | 79.8 | 83.2 | 80.4 | 75.2 |
|  | " thread and yam 2 | 82.0 | 82.0 | E2.0 | 82.0 | 82.0 |
|  | " brsiery 2 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 94.1 | 94.1 | 94.1 |
|  | 1 fab:ics 4 | 81.6 | 77.0 | 77.0 | 75.2 | 7.02 |
|  | Artificial Silk Reroducts ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 91.1 | 74.8 | 74.8 | 74.3 | 74.1 |
|  | Mocl: raid 3 | 110.3 | 90.7 | 86.6 | 80.4 | 77.6 |
|  | " yarns | 102.1 | 95.7 | 93.7 | 93.7 | 93.7 |
|  | 1) Ecsiery ard Init croods | 106.5 | 112.9 | 112.9 | 11.2 .9 | 112.9 |
|  | " blankets | 107.1 | 107.1 | 107.1 | 107.1 | 107.1 |
|  | 13 cloth | 96.8 | 96. 9 | 94.9 | 94.0 | 91.9 |
|  | Saiplis a | 92.4 | 92.4 | 92.4 | 92.4 | 92.4 |


|  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \\ \text { Commodities } & \begin{array}{l}\text { No, of } \\ \text { Price } \\ \text { Series }\end{array}\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nor. } \\ & 1928 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { August } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { oct. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nor. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IV. | Tood, Wood Products and Pape: | 98.6 | 94.0 | 93.7 | 93.3 | 93.6 |
|  | Newsprint Paper | 96.0 | 86.5 | 86.5 | 86.5 | 86.5 |
|  | Lumber and Timber 27 | 105.1 | 104.5 | 103.5 | 101.0 | 100.6 |
|  | Pulp 3 | 92.6 | -92.4 | 92.4 | 95.7 | 98.3 |
|  | marniture 11 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.9 |
|  | Matches | 73.1 | 73.1 | 73.1 | 73.1 | 73.1 |
| V. | Iron and Its Products 39 | 92,\% | 93.9 | 93.9 | 93.6 | 93.6 |
|  | Pig Iron and Steel billets 4 | 91,8 | 94.9 | 94.9 | 92.4 | 92.4 |
|  | Rolling Xill Products 10 | 96.0 | 96.1 | 96.1 | 96.0 | 35.9 |
|  | Pipe (Cast Irnn \& Steel) ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 91.0 | 91.9 | 91.9 | 91.9 | 91.9 |
|  | Hardware 14 | 92.6 | 93.9 | 93.9 | 93.9 | 93.9 |
|  | Wire | 85.8 | .89.3 | 89.3 | 89.3 | 89.3 |
|  | Scrap | 82. 3 | 84.6 | 84.6 | 84.6 | 84.6 |
|  | Miscellaneous | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| VI. | Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products | 94.1 | 98.5 | 98.2 | 97.5 | 96.7 |
|  | Aluminium | 88.7 | 88,7 | 88.7 | 88.7 | 88.7 |
|  | Antimony | 59.1 | 50.2 | 50.2 | 50,2 | 50.2 |
|  | Brass, Copper and Products 5 | 112.4 | 125.6 | 125.7 | 125.6 | 126.2 |
|  | Lead and Its products 2 | 75.8 | 80.6 | 81,4 | 80.9 | 79.1 |
|  | Nickel Ingots | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 |
|  | Silver | 89.6 | 84.8 | 82.5 | 80.5 | 80.2 |
|  | Tin Ingots | 78.1 | 74.7 | 72.9 | 69.5 | 65.4 |
|  | Zinc and Its Products | 79.2 | 77.6 | 76.4 | 73.7 | 69.7 |
|  | Solder | 77.2 | 74.1 | 74.0 | 72.1 | 70.1 |
| VII. | Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products | 92.8 | 93.6 | 93.1 | 92.2 | 92.7 |
|  | Bricks | 103.1 | 102.6 | 102.6 | 102.6 | 102.2 |
|  | Pottery | 97.3 | 97.3 | 97.3 | 92.0 | 92.0 |
|  | Coal 11 | 94.6 | 93.2 | 95.7 | 96.1 | 96.1 |
|  | coke | 95.6 | 10006 | 100.6 | 100.6 | 100.6 |
|  | Coal Tar | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|  | Glass and Its products | 77.6 | 80.3 | 80.3 | 80.3 | 80.3 |
|  | Fetroleum Products | 87.5 | 87.8 | 86.7 | 83.9 | 85.5 |
|  | Salt | 96.1 | 96.1 | 96.1 | 95.1 | 96.1 |
|  | Sulphur | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|  | Plaster | 105.9 | 96.9 | 96.9 | 96.9 | 96.9 |
|  | Lime | 99.3 | 99.1 | 99.2 | 99.1 | 99.9 |
|  | Cement | 99.7 | 101.3 | 101.3 | 101.3 | 101.3 |
|  | Sand and Gravel | 100.2 | 104.7 | 104.7 | 95.5 | 95.5 |
|  | Crushed Stone | 100.0 | 103 j 6 |  |  |  |
|  | Fuilding Stzne | 65.5 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 66.6 |
|  | Asbestos | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 |
| VIII. | Chemicais and Allied Products | 94.3 | 96.0 | 96.2 | 96.1 | 95.4 |
|  | Inorganic Chemicals 22 | 89.0 | 93.9 | 93.9 | 93.8 | 93.8 |
|  | Organic Chemicals | 78.5 | 81.01 | 81.1 | 81.1 | 81.1 |
|  | Coal Tar products | 110.7 | 110.7 | 110.7 | 110.7 | 110.7 |
|  | Dyeing and Tanning <br> Maveriale | 96.7 | 95.5 | 95.4 | 05.4 | 95.3 |
|  | zaint Material3 | 92.2 | 93.1 | 93.8 | 93.5 | 92.5 |
|  | Drugs \& Ybarmaceutical |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Chemicals 10 | 104.9 | 104.9 | 104.9 | 104.9 | 104.9 |
|  | Fertilizers 10 | 92.6 | 96.3 | 96.8 | 96.0 | 88.0 |
|  | Industrial Gases | 97.1 | 97.1 | 97.1 | 97.1 | 97.1 |
|  | Scap | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100,0 | 100.0 |

## INDEX NNBERAS OF COMMODITIES

(Classified According to Furpose Ror widich used, 1926=100)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Price } \\ & \text { Series } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1928 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. <br> 1929 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { oct. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1929 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I. CONSUNERS' GOODS (GROUPS A \& B) | 204 | 95.1 | 95.9 | 95.6 | 95.6 | 95.3 |
| A. Foods, 3everages \& It:basco | 116 | 99.1 | 103.2 | 103.9 | 103.8 | 102.7 |
| Beverages | 8 | 95.2 | 98.5 | 98.5 | 98.1 | 96.8 |
| Flour and Milled Products | 5 | 84.7 | 100.2 | 99.1 | 99.1 | 98.2 |
| Bakery Products | 2 | 100.2 | 111.4 | 106.1 | 106.1 | 103.6 |
| Fisk | 16 | 109.6 | 102,9 | 104.7 | 107.7 | 107.8 |
| Fruits | 15 | 120.5 | 127.4 | 125.1 | 122.8 | 121.7 |
| Meats and Poultry | 10 | 104, 8 | 116.7 | 110.0 | 106.8 | 106.0 |
| Milk and Milk Products | 12 | 111.8 | 101.0 | 105.1 | 108.2 | 109.4 |
| Sugar and Its Products | 3 | 50.2 | 88.1 | 89.8 | 89.9 | 90.1 |
| Vegetables | 15 | 58.3 | 72.9 | 78.8 | 81.6 | 80.0 |
| Eggs | 5 | 110.8 | 115.3 | 121.8 | 134.5 | 119.2 |
| Tobacco | 8 | 70.7 | 68.3 | 68.3 | 68.3 | 68.3 |
| Miscellaneous | 17 | 94.2 | 88.4 | 87.3 | 86.8 | 87.4 |
| B. Cther Consumers ' Gocds | 88 | 92.4 | 91.1 | 90.5 | 90.1 | 90.3 |
| Clothing, Boots,Shces, Rubbers, <br> Hosiery and Underwear | 41 | 96.9 | 94.5 | 92.9 | $93.0$ | 92.6 88.5 |
| Household Equipment \& Supplies | 47 | 89.1 | 88.6 | 88.7 | $88.0$ | $88.5$ |
| II. PRODUCERS: GOODS (GROUPS $C$ \& D) | 351 | 93.4 | 100.3 | 99.0 | 97.3 | 95.3 |
| C. Producers: Equipment | 22 | 92.8 | 94.9 | 94.8 | 94.4 | 94.6 |
| Tools | 3 | 94.8 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.1 |
| Iight, Heat and Power Equipment and Supplies <br> Miscellaneous | 17 | 92.4 101.1 | $\begin{array}{r} 94.6 \\ 101.4 \end{array}$ | 94.5 101.4 | 94.1 101.4 | $\begin{array}{r} 94.3 \\ 101.4 \end{array}$ |
| D. Exoducers! Materials | 329 | 93.5 | 100.9 | 99.5 | 97.6 |  |
| Building and Construction Materials | 97 | 98.3 | 99.8 | 100.2 | 98.8 | 98.5 |
| Lumber | 27 | 105,1 | 104.5 | 103.5 | 101.0 | 100.6 |
| Painters: Materials | 11 | 83.6 | 93.6 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 101.6 |
| Miscellaneous | 59 | 95.5 | 96.8 | 96.5 | 95.7 | 95.7 |
| Manufacturers' Materials | 232 | 92.4 | 101.2 | 99.3 | 97.3 | 94.8 |
| Textile and Clothing | 47 | 92.1 | 89.3 | 89.5 | 53.6 | 87.9 |
| Furs and Leather Goods | 19 | 129.3 | 121.1 | 124.4 | 123.9 | 121.4 |
| For Metal Woricing Industrios | 35 | 93.9 | 91.6 | 97.4 | 96.7 | 96.1 |
| For Chemical Using Industries | 44 | 90.2 | 93.4 | 93.3 | 93.3 | 93.3 |
| For Meat Packing Industries | 4 | 109.1 | 129.9 | 117.8 | 112.9 | 111.4 |
| For Milling and other Industries | 23 | 84.9 | $109 \times 7$ | 105.2 | 100.0 | 94.4 |
| Miscellaneous Producers! Materials | 60 | 91.9 | 90.3 | 90.8 | 91.5 | 90.4 |



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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| OATS, Nc. 2 C.T. <br> Ft. William \& Pt.Arthur Basis Bus. $\quad .5+83 \quad .5637 \quad .6845 \quad .6803 \quad .6558$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WEmAT, No. 1 Man. Northern Ft.William \& Pt.Arthur Basis Bus. 1. $4951 \quad 1.20935 \quad 1.4955 \quad 1.4138 \quad 1.3321$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WLOUR, First Patent 2 mg is jute <br> Torcnto <br> 8.821 <br> 7.37 <br> 8.60 <br> 8.60 <br> 8.60 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SUGAR, raw $96^{\circ}$ contrifugal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SUGAR, granulated |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RUBRER, ribbed, smoked sheets |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RUBBER, Pars, upriver, fine |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CATMLE, Steers.good 1000-1200 lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOGS, Bacon Teronto | Cut. | 13.32 L | 9.55 1/ | 12.27 | 11.69 | 11.5275 |
| PEEF HIDES, Packer hides, native steers |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teronto | Lb. | .1347 | -21- | . $17 \frac{1}{2}$ | $.16 \frac{1}{2}$ | . 146 |
| SOLE LEATHER,Mfris. green hide Tcronto | crops Ib. | .3858 | . 22.49 | .19 .43 | $\begin{aligned} & .18 \frac{1}{2} \\ & .43 \end{aligned}$ | . 16 |
| BOX SIDES B. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mill | Ft. | .2625 | - 33 | . 29 | . 29 | . 28 |
| BJTTER, creamery, finest Montreal | Lb. | -39 | .43 | . 42 | . 42 | .4256 |
| CHEESE, Canadian, old large |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EGGS, Fresh Extras |  |  | .6975 | . 544 | .60 | . 659 |
| COTMON, raw $1-11 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eamilton | Ib. | .1942 | .2038 | . 2977 | . 1944 | .1876 |
| COTION YARNS, 101 s mhite single |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hosiery cops, mill | Lb. | . 368 | . 37 | . 3575 | . 3575 | - 3575 |
| SuxINX, $.50 \mathrm{yds}$. to 1 lb. <br> GTNGHAM, dress $6.50-7.75 \mathrm{yds}$ | Ib. | . 7172 | . 6412 | . 6412 | - 6412 | . 6412 |
| GTNGHAM, dress 6.50-7.75 yds to 1 lb . Montreal | Lb. | 1.086 | 1.0174 | 1.0174 | 1.0174 | 2.0174 |
| SIIS, raw,grard double extra New York |  | 6.642 | 5.50 | 5.60 | 5.40 | 5.15 |
| WCOI, Eastern bright $\frac{1}{4}$ blood domestic |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WCOL, Western Range, Semi-bright |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\frac{3}{2}$ blcod, domestic, Toronto | Lb. | - 3258 | . 32 | .26 | .24 | . $22-$ |
| PUIP, groundwocd No. 1 |  |  |  |  |  | . 23 |
| Nill | Ion | 29.67 | $25.00-$ | 25.00 | 27.000 | 28.00 |
| PIG IRON, basic |  |  | 28.00 | 28.00 | 30.00 | 32.00 |
| Mill | Ton | 21.833 | 20.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 | 21.00 |
| STEEL MERCHANT BARS, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| COPPER, electrolytic domestic |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IEAD, domestic |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TIN INGOTS, Straits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SPELTER, domestic |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Montreal | Cut. | 8.825 | 6.993 | 6.74 | 6.50 | 6.15 |
| COAI, anturacite |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tronto | Ton | 13.56 | 13.52 | 13.37 | 13.47 | 13.47 |
| CCAI, bituminous, N.S. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GASOLINE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toronto | Gal. | . 2525 | . 205 | .205 | .195 | . 195 |
| SUIPIURIC ACID $66^{\circ}$ Beame |  |  | 12.00 | 16.00 | 16.00 | 16.00 |

I/ Hegs, thick smooth.

The weighted index of retail prices, rents and costs of services (1926 100 ) rose from 101.1 in October to 101.6 in November, due to higher levels for foods and fuel.

The index for 46 food items rose from 103.2 to 104.5 , lower prices for meats being more than offset by higher prices for eggs, butter and milk. Fresh eggs rose from $51.3 \phi$ to $58.3 \phi$ per doz., while the cooking and storage variety were $45.1 \phi$ and $48.6 \phi$, respectively, for October and November. Creamery butter was up from $46.9 \phi$ to $47.4 \phi$ and dairy butter from $42.6 \phi$ to $43.6 \phi$ per lb. Milk advanced half a cent to $12.9 \phi$ per quart. Sirloin beef declined from $36.9 \phi$ to $35.8 \phi$, shoulder roast from $22.6 \phi$ to $22.3 \phi$, Mutton from $30.9 \phi$ to $30.3 \phi$, fresh pork from $31.3 \phi$ to $30.0 \phi$, salt porlt from $27.7 \phi$ to $27.5 \phi$, breakfast bacon frcm $41.0 \phi$ to $40.3 \phi$ and cooked ham from $62.9 \phi$ to $61.8 \phi$ per 1 b.

The fuel and lighting index rose from 96.4 to 97.1 due to higher prices for coal and coke.

The rental index has been revised for October to show a rise from 103.6 to 105.5, due to higher rents in a few of the larger cities, notably Toronto and Halifax.

The index for clothing, which has been revised from August onwards to indicate a decline in the group, shows a fractional drop from 96.9 to 96.7.

The index for misceilaneous items remained unchanged at 99.0, a decline in the hardware group not being sufficient to effect the whole index.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RINTS AND COSTS OF SERVICES, 1914-1928, AND JANJARY - NOVEMBER,1929.

| Year | Total <br> Inder | Food Index | Fuel <br> Index | Rent Index | Clothing Index | Sundries Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1914 | 66.0 | 68.9 | 64.5 | 62.2 | 63.9 | 66.2 |
| 1915 .............. | 67.3 | 69.5 | 63.2 | 60.3 | 69.6 | 66.9 |
| 1916 ............... | 72.5 | 77.5 | 64.5 | 60.9 | 79.7 | 70.2 |
| 1917 ............... | 85.6 | 100.0 | 71.7 | 65.4 | 93.7 | 76.8 |
| 1918 | 97.4 | 114.6 | 78.9 | 69.2 | 109.5 | 86.1 |
| 1919 .............. | 107.2 | 122.5 | 86.2 | 75.6 | 125.9 | 95.4 |
| 1920 ............... | 124.2 | 141.1 | 102.6 | 86.5 | 153.2 | 104.0 |
| 1921 | 109.2 | 107.9 | 109.2 | 94.2 | 124.7 | 106.0 |
| 1922 .............. | 100.0 | 91.4 | 104.6 | 98.1 | 105.7 | 106.0 |
| 1923 ............... | 100.0 | 92.1 | 104.6 | 100.6 | 104.4 | 105.3 |
| $1924 . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 98.0 | 90.7 | 102.0 | 101.3 | 101.9 | 103.3 |
| 1925 ................ | 99.3 | 94.7 | 100.0 | 101.3 | 101.9 | 101.3 |
| 1926 ............... | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1927 | 98.5 | 98.1 | 97.9 | 98.8 | 97.5 | 99.6 |
| 1928 ............... | 99.1 | 98.6 | 96.9 | 101.2 | 97.4 | 99.7 |
| 1928 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March . . . . . . ...... | 98.8 | 97.7 | 97.5 | 101.2 | 97.2 | 99.7 |
| April .............. | 98.7 | 97.5 | 97.3 | 101.2 | 97.2 | 99.7 |
| May ............... | 98.4 | 96.4 | 96.7 | 101.2 | 97.3 | 99.7 |
| June . . . . . . . . . . . | 98.2 | 95.9 | 96.0 | 101.2 | 97.3 | 99.7 |
| July | 98.4 | 96.6 | 35.9 | 101.2 | 97.3 | 99.7 |
| August ............. | 99.2 | 98.9 | 96.3 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| September . ........ | 99.3 | 99.2 | 96.3 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| October . | 99.9 | 101.1 | 97.1 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| November . ......... | 99.8 | 100.7 | 97.1 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| December . ......... | 99.7 | 100.5 | 97.1 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| $1929$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January ........... | 99.6 | 100.2 | 97.1 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| February .......... | 99.4 | 99.4 | 97.2 | 101.2 | 97.6 | 99.7 |
| March .... | 99.5 | 100.0 | 97.4 | 101.2 | 97.3 | 99.7 |
| April ............. | 99.0 | 98.2 | 97.5 | 101.2 | 97.3 | 99.7 |
| May . . | 99.3 | 98.0 | 96.7 | 103.6 | 96.9 | 99.7 |
| June | 99.2 | 97.8 | 96.1 | 103.6 | 96.9 | $99 . ?$ |
| July . . | 99.4 | 98.6 | 96.0 | 103.6 | 96.9 | 99.7 |
| August | 101.1 | 104.2 | 96.2 | 103.6 | 96.7 | 99.7 |
| September | 100.9 | 103.6 | 96.3 | 103.6 | 96.7 | 99.7 |
| cotrber .. | 101.1 | 103.2 | 96.4 | 105.5 | 96.7 | 99.6 |
| November . . | 101.6 | 104.5 | 97.1 | 105.5 | 96.7 | 99.6 |

## INDEX NOMBERS OF SECURITY PAICES

## Movement of Indexes in November, 1929 Traders I Index

The "mraders' Index" of the prices of twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges was 769.2 for the month of November, 1929, as compared with 1125.8 for October, 1929, (monthly indezes are simple averages of weekly figures).

Scme of the principal changes in price during the month were as follows:Consolidated Mining and Smelting fell from $\$ 298.4$ to $\$ 251.5$. Montreal Light, Heat and Power from $\$ 154.1$ to $\$ 115.4$. Power Corporation from $\$ 101.0$ to 79.1 , Brazilian from $\$ 60.8$ to $\$ 39.3$. Dominion Aridge from $\$ 85.9$ to $\$ 67.5$, National Steel Car from $\$ 56.9$ to $\$ 43.8$. Shawinigan from $\$ 88.4$ to $\$ 75.3$. Page Hersey from $\$ 105.3$ to $\$ 92.6$, Natisnal Breweries from $\$ 130.7$ to $\$ 118.2$, Intarnational Nickel from $\$ 43.6$ to $\$ 31.2$, Winnipeg Electric from $\$ 63.5$ to $\$ 51.6$, Famous Players from $\$ 53.7$ to $\$ 42.3$, quebec Power from $\$ 74.8$ to $\$ 63.9$, Abitibi from $\$ 49.9$ to $\$ 39.9$. Bell Telephone from $\$ 162.0$ to $\$ 153.1$, Canada Power and Paper from $\$ 29.3$ to $\$ 22.0$, Ford "A" from $\$ 34.6$ to $\$ 27.4$ and Tayagamack frcm $\$ 75.8$ to $\$ 68.8$.

Sales of Brazilian deolined from 1,388,600 to 559,900, International Nickel from $1,740,500$ to $1,196,500$, Shawinigan from 131,100 to 68,600 , Massey Harria from 92,100 to 45,400 , Canada Power and Paper from 86,000 to 41,900 , Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 130,000 to 91,600 , Power Corpcration from 59,300 to 31,100, MeCcllFrontenac Oil from 62,700 to 38,600 , Abitibi from 34,800 to 13,900, Canada Car and Foundry "New" from 78,200 to 59,800, Famous Players from 37.400 to 19,300 , National Bremeries from 38,000 to 22,000 , Walkers from 246,600 to 231,900 , Steel of Canada from 32,200 to 20,100 and Cockshutt Flow Co. from $88 ; 400$ to 17,600 .

Notes: The Traders' Index measures the trend of gains of losses for an "Average" trader on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges, who buys and sells as a whole and turns over his investments every week.

Column I. - Teighted index numbers of the prices of the 25 best selling Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges.
Column II.- Index numbers of the total money value of the stocks included in Celumn I.

|  | 1 | II |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Prices | Values |
| 1926 | 100 | 100 |
| 1927 |  |  |
| January | 111.7 | 101.5 |
| February | 123.0 | 114.6 |
| March | 132.3 | 126.3 |
| April | 146.2 | 149.6 |
| May | 161.0 | 167.8 |
| June | $1.77 \cdot 3$ | 234.2 |
| July | 174.0 | 116.0 |
| August | 187.8 | 118.5 |
| September | 211.3 | 232.6 |
| October | 236.4 | 285.1 |
| November | 251.7 | 211.2 |
| December | 281.4 | 294.0 |
| 1928 |  |  |
| January | 317.7 | 282.9 |
| February | 322.0 | 230.3 |
| March | 338.5 | 230.6 |
| April | 379.5 | 262.0 |
| May | 417.1 | 256.0 |
| June | 388.0 | 184.3 |
| July | 391.2 | 108.0 |
| August | 391.3 | 127.8 |
| September | 470.6 | 166.4 |
| October | 553.2 | 362.4 |
| November | 714.1 | 440.1 |
| December | 809.7 | 256.8 |
| 1929 |  |  |
| January | 1039.5 | 475.3 |
| February | 1125.8 | 280.3 |
| March | 1057.3 | 242.4 |
| April | 962.4 | 128.4 |
| May | 955.1 | 213.4 |
| june | 1032.1 | 86.2 |
| August | 1170.1 | 212.2 |
| Soptember | 1230.4 | 179.2 |
| October | 1155.8 | 269.5 |
| November | 769.2 | 119.4 |

## INVESTORS: INDRK NOTETS OT COIMON STOCHS

The monthly index of 92 indratrial stocks decined from 255.4 in October to 209.4 in November. All groups found lower levels. Miscellaneous stocks (including International Nickel) fell from 351.7 to 267.6, Beverages from 102.4 to 88.0 , Food and Allied products from 155.8 to 1330.9 , rea:tiles from 84.8 to 79.2 , 0ils from 348.0 to 296.4, Milling from 244.0 to 206.2. Puly and Paose from 92.6 to 77.4 and Iron and Steel from 248.8 to 212.9. Eighteen Ütiiities ieciined from 149.3 to 130.9, Power and Traction stocks showing the biggest [all, being 141.1 as compared with $17{ }^{\prime} \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{g}} 3$ in October. Seven companies located abruad fell from 172.7 to 129.5 mostiy due to the infiuence of Brazilian Traction. Eight bank stocks deciined from 131.4 to 117.9.

## PRTHRRHEDSIOCKS

Twenty-two preferred stociss declined from 102.9 in October to 99.8 in November Moore Pref. A mas 120.8 as compared with 124.? in October, Canada Cement dropped frcm 95.5 to 92.2 , Canada Braad from 1i9.0 to 116.9 , City Dairy from 124.7 to 120.4 , Deminion Textile from 118.0 to 115.1, Lake of the Wcods from 121.3 to 118.5, Maple Leaf from 109.2 to 105.4, National Bremeries from 126.6 to 120.0 , Noore Pref. B from 185.3 to 130.8 , Penmans from 106.0 to 103.5 . Sherwin Wisliams rose from 117.7 to 118.9 and Tuckett from 120.3 to 120.8 .

## INDEX NTNBERS OF 22 PREFRRRED STOCKS

1926 - 1929
(1026:: 100)
Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec

| 102.1 | 102.5 | 102.7 | 102.6 | 102.5 | 102.1 | 102.5 | 103.8 | 104.8 | 107.8 | 110.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 111.5 | 110.9 | 109.9 | 111.4 | 111.7 | 111.2 | 110.3 | 107.5 | 107.6 | 106.2 | 104.0 |
| 107.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 107.4 108. $1 \quad 106.8 \quad 104.3104 .3104 .8104 .8105 .6105 .11102 .9 \quad 99.8$

## MEIGHTYD INDEX NUMBERS OF 17 MTNING STOCES

$1926=100$

The weighted index number of seventeen mining stocks computed by the Dcminion Bureau of Statistics on the base $1926=100$ nas 75.8 for the week ending November 28 th, as compared with 74.9 for the previous wees.

Eleven gold stocks rose from 53.2 to 54.8. Gold copper stocks reresented by Amulet and Noranda fell from 185.6 to 183.0 . Fcur silver and miscellaneous stocks rose from 54.0 to 54.4.

Among the gold stocks the weekly average prices behaved as follows:Premier rose from $\$ 1.62$ to $\$ 1,67$, Dcme from $\$ 7.09$ to $\$ 7.16$, Hoilinger from $\$ 4.99$ to $\$ 5.12$, McIntyre from $\$ 13.52$ to $\$ 14.14$, Labre Shose from $\$ 18.46$ to $\$ 19.64$, Sylvanite from $43 \phi$ to $48 \phi$ and Mright-Hargreaves from $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.30$. Teck Hughes fell from $\$ 5.22$ to \$5.14.

Average weekly prices were luwer for both of the gold copper stacks. Amulet fell from $\$ 1.82$ to $\$ 1.81$ and Noranda fam $\$ 35 . ? 2$ to $\$ 35.20$,

In the silver and miscellanecus group Mipissing rose from $\$ 1.91$ to $\$ 1.94$ and Winirg Corporation from $\$ 5.22$ to $\$ 3.26$.

| General | Banks |  |  | Utilities |  |  | Industrials |  |  |  |  |  | Companies Abroad |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. of Secur- Total ities | Total | Total | Trans- <br> port- <br> ation | Tele- <br> phone <br> Tele- <br> graph. | Power <br> and <br> Tract- <br> ion | Total | Iron a <br> Steel <br> Iron a <br> Steel <br> Produc | Pulp <br> and <br> Faper | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mill- } \\ & \text { ing. } \end{aligned}$ | Oils | Tex- <br> tiles <br> and <br> Cloth- <br> ing. | Food <br> and <br> Allied <br> Products | Beverages | Mis-cellaneous | Total | In-dustrial | $\begin{gathered} \text { Util- } \\ \text { ity. } \end{gathered}$ |
| 1927 112 | 9 | 16 | 2 | 2 | 12 | - 79 | 9 | - 9 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 21 | 7 | 16 | 8 | 1 | 7 |
| 1927 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 136.8 | 124.9 | 129.8 | 124.3 | 108.5 | 143.9 | 154.5 | 187.8 | 134.7 | 159.9 | 168.4 | 137.1 | 144.2 | 147.1 | 147.7 | 125.1 | 97.8 | 157.7 |
| November 139.0 | 121.6 | 130.3 | 125.1 | 108.7 | 144.0 | 150.2 | 199.1 | 141.0 | 171.7 | 169.6 | 134.9 | 149.3 | 164.8 | 148.4 | 130.9 | 104.0 | 163.0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } 144.0 \\ & 1928 \end{aligned}$ | 126.4 | 135.8 | 132.4 | 112.7 | 147.0 | 161.6 | 213.5 | 135.9 | 183.7 | 168.1 | 136.7 | 158.0 | 162.8 | 159.4 | 138.0 | 110.2 | 171.3 |
| January 149.3 | 129.3 | 136.2 | 132.1 | 115.5 | 147.8 | 172.5 | 224.1 | 151.6 | 187.7 | 173.9 | 140.3 | 170.3 | 165.5 | 175.4 | 143.3 | 123.2 | 168.2 |
| February 146.0 | 134.4 | 135.1 | 128.0 | 116.7 | 150.1 | 167.6 | 213.5 | 153.4 | 182.6 | 165.8 | 137.0 | 166.7 | 158.2 | 172.5 | 140.2 | 115.0 | 171.2 |
| March 149.5 | 134.6 | 137.6 | 134.5 | 119.3 | 147.3 | 172.4 | 224.3 | 156.0 | 176.7 | 171.9 | 133.8 | 162.5 | 168.6 | 179.0 | 147.6 | 118.1 | 183.6 |
| April 156.6 | 146.7 | 139.5 | 132.8 | 120.8 | 154.0 | 177.0 | 249.8 | 160.0 | 180.4 | 177.0 | 136.4 | 165.4 | 181.9 | 177.9 | 156.0 | 124.5 | 194.2 |
| Niay 164.5 | 146.8 | 150.6 | 137.7 | 124.4 | 175.0 | 184.4 | 255.7 | 156.3 | 184.9 | 193.6 | 134.0 | 169.7 | 187.3 | 183.4 | 163.8 | 132.2 | 202.1 |
| June 151.9 | 139.1 | 139.1 | 127.6 | 119.4 | 160.1 | 170.0 | 230.8 | 127.0 | 175.8 | 180.8 | 123.0 | 157.3 | 165.0 | 177.5 | 150.2 | 120.6 | 192.6 |
| July 152.6 | 136.7 | 140.6 | 129.2 | 118.0 | 162.1 | 169.6 | 234.7 | 113.7 | 176.1 | 186.2 | 120.0 | 155.8 | 167.4 | 175.9 | 153.0 | 121.5 | 197.8 |
| August 148.6 | 136.5 | 136.1 | 129.5 | 115.6 | 150.7 | 166.5 | 222.2 | 98.9 | 169.9 | 186.3 | 116.5 | 150.1 | 158.6 | 181.8 | 145.9 | 117.7 | 186.5 |
| September 159.7 | 139.9 | 143.4 | 136.2 | 118.6 | 159.7 | 185.3 | 247.3 | 108.1 | 178.9 | 210.8 | 117.7 | 153.1 | 175.4 | 210.5 | 154.9 | 122.9 | 200.3 号 |
| October . 168.4 | 142.2 | 144.2 | 137.9 | 118.7 | 159.7 | 201.2 | 267.5 | 99.3 | 190.7 | 228.2 | 114.2 | 159.3 | 183.4 | 245.8 | 168.6 | 134.3 | 217.5 |
| November 184.2 | 144.6 | 149.2 | 149.6 | 119.2 | 157.3 | 229.3 | 317.5 | 101.1 | 197.5 | 261.5 | 114.3 | 166.6 | 195.8 | 295.6 | 189.1 | 159.5 | 234.2 |
| December 183.6 | 147.4 | 149.7 | 149.3 | 130.3 | 158.8 | 237.3 | 328.6 | 97.1 | 208.3 | 246.5 | 114.1 | 182.5 | 184.4 | 336.3 | 185.5 | 151.5 | 235.6 |
| No. of |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Securitiesl25 | 8 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 92 | 14 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 23 | 11 | 20 | 7 | 1 | 6 |
| 1929 207.4 |  |  |  | 122.3 | 164.9 | 286.1 | 374.6 | 101.6 | 217.2 | 276 | 110.9 | 196.7 | 109.1 | 468.8 | 210.5 | 183.3 | 253.5 |
| February 209.4 | 147.7 | 158.7 | 161.2 | 122.3 | 168.1 | 292.9 | 377.5 | 103.0 | 247.6 | 261.5 | 108.2 | 196.3 | 201.3 | 501.6 | 198.9 | 173.0 | 239.5 |
| March 192.6 | 143.5 | 150.1 | 156.5 | 121.8 | 153.9 | 266.2 | 346.9 | 94.8 | 235.2 | 250.7 | 100.5 | 180.3 | 175.1 | 441.4 | 176.8 | 161.5 | 204.5 |
| April 191.8 | 140.9 | 143.6 | 149.9 | 117.0 | 146.9 | 269.3 | 338.5 | 94.8 | 235.4 | 290.8 | 99.6 | 182.8 | 175.9 | 402.1 | 180.3 | 172.6 | 200.0 |
| May 187.1 | 135.6 | 140.2 | 144.5 | 117.7 | 144.6 | 269.3 | 325.6 | 93.8 | 236.8 | 304.7 | 101.3 | 176.9 | 155.6 | 406.5 | 164.2 | 157.2 | 182.4 |
| June 185.6 | 129.7 | 143.4 | 144.2 | 117.9 | 152.1 | 264.1 | 319.7 | 92.3 | 234.4 | 294.9 | 99.4 | 173.8 | 148.2 | 403.6 | 162.8 | 144.7 | 192.9 |
| July 192.8 | 135.0 | 150.7 | 150.8 | 120.1 | 161.3 | 271.2 | 321.6 | 96.8 | 249.1 | 315.2 | 96.0 | 178.8 | 138.4 | 406.4 | 171.9 | 155.1 | 201.1 |
| August 207.4 | 135.4 | 159.2 | 145.8 | 128.0 | 184.0 | 293.8 | 325.4 | 109.2 | 256.8 | 359.3 | 91.2 | 181.3 | 136.7 | 433.6 | 192.6 | 168.5 | 231.2 |
| September 217.1 | 133.2 | 163.1 | 144.7 | 123.3 | 194.8 | 315.8 | 322.4 | 108.2 | 267.0 | 417.8 | 90.5 | 178.3 | 129.0 | 457.4 | 197.2 | 172.7 | 236.2 |
| October 1/186.4 | 131.4 | 149.3 | 135.0 | 121.5 | 174.31 | $1 / 255.4$ | 248.8 | 92.6 | 244.01 | 348.0 | 84.8 | 155.8 | 102.4 | 351.7 | 172.7 | 151.8 | 206.2 |
| November 154.7 | 117.9 | 130.9 | 128.3 | 114.8 | 141.1 | 209.4 | 212.9 | $77 \div 4$ | 206.1 | 296.4 | 79.2 | 130.9 | 88.0 | 267.6 | 129.5 | 125.9 | 141.4 |

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# INDEX NUSBR Ot SEVENTEEN MINING SICOZS <br> $1926=100$ 



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## INDEX NUMBERS OF INTEREST RATES IN CANADA

$(1926=100)$
The index number of Interest Rates calculated from the yields of the most popular Ontario Bonds on the basis $1926=100$ was unchanged at 103.3 for November. The index is based on information received from Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company limited, showing the ybeld on these bonds to be on 4.95\% basis for November.

## Index Numbers of Interest Rates in Canada Calculated From Ylelds of Ontario Bonds, 1900-1929.

Base 1926=100

|  | 1900 | 1901 |  | 1902 | 1903 | 1904 |  | 1905 |  | 1906 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 73.1 | 77.9 |  | 79.3 | 78.5 | 78.5 |  | 78.5 |  | 76.2 |
| April | 74.1 | 78.5 |  | 79.3 | 78.5 | 8 | . 5 | 75.2 |  | 76.2 |
| June | 75.2 | 78.7 |  | 79.3 | 78.5 | 79 |  | 74.1 |  | 76.2 |
| October | 77.2 | 78.7 |  | 79.3 | 78.5 | 79 |  | 75.2 |  | 76.8 |
| December | 77.7 | 79.3 |  | 78.5 | 78.5 | 78 |  | 76.2 |  | 77.2 |
|  | 1907 | 1908 |  | 1909 | 1910 | 19 |  | 1912 |  | 1913 |
| January | 78.3 | 88.7 |  | 82.5 | 81.4 | 83 | 5 | 83.5 |  | 88.7 |
| April | 81.4 | 87.7 |  | 81.4 | 82.5 | 81 |  | 85.6 |  | 89.8 |
| June | 85.6 | 86.6 |  | 80.4 | \$2.5 | 81 |  | 86.6 |  | 90.8 |
| October | 87.7 | 85.6 |  | 80.4 | 82.5 | 81 |  | 87.7 |  | 91.9 |
| December | 88.7 | 83.5 |  | 81.4 | 83.5 | 83 |  | 88.7 |  | 91.9 |
|  | 1914 | 1915 |  | 1916 | 1917 | 19 | 18 | 1919 |  |  |
| January | 91.9 | 88.7 |  | 109.6 | 100.2 | 125 | 3 | 121.1 |  |  |
| April | 90.8 | 91.9 |  | 110.6 | 109.6 | 125 |  | 116.9 |  |  |
| June | 88.7 | 93.9 |  | 109.6 | 114.8 | 126 |  | 112.7 |  |  |
| October | 86.7 | 104.4 |  | 104.4 | 123.2 | 125 |  | 116.9 |  |  |
| Deceraber | 88.7 | 109.6 |  | 102.3 | 125.3 | 125 |  | 120.0 |  |  |
|  | 1920 | 1921 | 1922 | 1923 | 1924 | 1925 | 1926 | 1927 | 1928 | 1929 |
| January | 120.0 | 125.3 | 116.9 | 112.7 | 106.5 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 97.1 | 89.8 | 97.1 |
| February | 120.0 | 125.3 | 114.8 | 110.6 | 106.1 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 97.1 | 87.7 | 98.1 |
| March | 120.0 | 125.3 | 113.8 | 109.6 | 106.1 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 96.0 | 88.7 | 101.3 |
| April | 121.1 | 125.3 | 112.7 | 107.5 | 106.1 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 95.2 | 88.7 | 103.3 |
| May | 121.1 | 126.3 | 112.7 | 107.5 | 106.1 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 90.8 | 104.4 |
| June | 125.3 | 126.3 | 112.7 | 107.5 | 105.8 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 91.9 | 103.3 |
| July | 125.3 | 128.4 | 112.7 | 107.5 | 103.5 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 93.9 | 103.3 |
| August | 125.3 | 128.4 | 112.7 | 107.5 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 96.0 | 102.3 |
| September | 125.3 | 127.3 | 111.7 | 107.5 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 95.0 | 96.0 | 104.4 |
| October | 129.4 | 126.3 | 111.7 | 107.9 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 93.9 | 95.0 | 103.3 |
| November | 129.4 | 119.4 | 112.7 | 107.3 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 93.3 | 95.0 | 103.3 |
| December | 128.4 | 119.4 | 113.2 | 107.3 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 90.8 | 96.0 | 103.3 |

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|  | Tctal <br> 40 Stocks | Industriais <br> 339 Stocke | Railroads 33 Stocks | Utilities 34 Stociks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1926 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 101.8 | 102,2 | 98.6 | 103.2 |
| February | 101.8 | 102.4 | 97.1 | 103.2 |
| March | 95.8 | 96.3 | 94.7 | 94.9 |
| April | 92.9 | 92.6 | 93.6 | 93.3 |
| May | 93.2 | 92.6 | 94.7 | 9 t 3 |
| June | 97.2 | 96.9 | 98.4 | 97.7 |
| July | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.2 |
| August | 102.9 | 103.1 | 103.1 | 102.0 |
| September | 104.3 | 104.2 | 105.9 | 103.1 |
| October | 101.6 | 101.5 | 102.7 | 100.9 |
| November | 103.1 | 102.9 | 104.2 | 103.1 |
| December | 105.4 | 105.4 | 100.4 | 104.0 |
| 1927 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 105.6 | 105.6 | 107.1 | 104.4 |
| February | 107.9 | 107. 5 | 111.6 | 105.3 |
| March | 109.1 | 108.6 | 112.2 | 107.3 |
| April | 111.1 | 110.0 | 115.7 | 110.5 |
| May | 114.2 | 113.1 | 118.1 | 114.2 |
| June | 11.5 .4 | 114.4 | 119.2 | 115.6 |
| July | 117.2 | 116.7 | 120.7 | 114.9 |
| August | 122.0 | 112.3 | 123.1 | 118.5 |
| September | 127.7 | 128.9 | 125.2 | 124.1 |
| October | 125.7 | 127.5 | 124.3 | 124.5 |
| November | 129.6 | 131.3 | 124.9 | 125.6 |
| December | 133.1 | 135-5 | 126.8 | 127.2 |
| 1928 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 134.4 | 137.4 | 125.3 | 129.5 |
| February | 132.3 | $131+8$ | 121.6 | 130.9 |
| March | 137.9 | $14 \mathrm{~L}, \mathrm{l}$ | 125.9 | 134.4 |
| April | 145.9 | 149.5 | 130.7 | 142.5 |
| May | 152.1 | 154.9 | 133.2 | 155.3 |
| June | 145.3 | 148.2 | 126.7 | 148.1 |
| July | 144.2 | 147.8 | 122.6 | 145.3 |
| August | 148.3 | 152.6 | 126.5 | 147.9 |
| September | 156.6 | 262. 2 | 129.6 | 155.8 |
| October | 159.1 | 166.2 | 128.2 | 154.5 |
| November | 171.1 | 178.9 | 134.9 | 168.6 |
| December | 171.4 | 178.4 | 134.9 | 173.4 |
| 1929 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 185.2 | 192.5 | 141.8 | 192.7 |
| February | 186.5 | 192.3 | 141.6 | 202.4 |
| March | 189.1 | 190.0 | 140.4 | 203.7 |
| April | 186.6 | 193.4 | 138.3 | 301.4 |
| May | 187.7 | 192.6 | 138.7 | 212,3 |
| June | 190.7 | 191,0 | 144.8 | 233.0 |
| Tuly | 207.2 | 202.7 | 160.0 | 272.8 |
| August | 218.1 | 210.3 | 165.4 | 304.3 |
| September | 225.3 | 216.1 | 168.1 | 321.0 |
| coinber | 201.7 | 194.4 | 157.0 | 276.6 |
| November | 151.1 | 144.8 | 135.1 | 194.4 |



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## WHOLESALE

Wholesale index numbers of prices were lower almost without exception for October. While the full re-action could not be calculated by the end of the month, the belief was expressed that the recent period of dear money had effectively curtailed speculation in commodity markets as well as in securities, and consequently removed considerable support from prices.

In the United Kingdom, the decline in wholesale prices was shown by those indexes published at the end of the month, although it is not evident in the Board of Trade Index included below. Only animal foods exhibited better average prices at the end of the month than at its beginning.

The decline in prices in France was reported to be due almost entirely to imported commodities, prices of home products showing but little variation.

The German official wholesale index was influenced largely by lower agricultural product prices. One of the recent interesting developments in German consumption has been the diminished amount of rye used and the increasing demand for wheat. The price of rye in Germany is said to have fallen $23 \%$ in the first ten months of 1929.

American indexes were appreciably lower for October. Practically all farm products declined in price, and other raw materials were generally cheaper.

Comparative wholesale prices data for October, 1929, September 1929, and October, 1928.


## COST OF LIVING

Cost of living indexes were inclined to be firmer in October than they had been in the previous month. The upward seasonal movement of fuel prices was onf of the factors contributing to this advance.

In the United Kingdom, the level of food prices rose perceptibly largely due to dearer egg prices. The group index for shelter declined very slightly.

Lower group indexes for food, and clothing more than counterbalanced gains for rent and heat, causing the German cost of living index to decline slithtly.

In the United States, living costs have been advancing at a decreasing rate during the past few months. For October the gain amounted to only. $1 \%$, due to price increases within the clothing and fuel groups.

COMPARAIIVE COST OT IIVING DATA FOR OCTOBER 1929, SAPTENBER 1929 AND OCMOBER 1928.

| Country | $\begin{aligned} & \text { oct. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | Oct. 19297 or -\% compared wi th |  |  | Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 1928 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1929 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 1928 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| United Kingdom | 167 | 105 | 167 | +1.2 | unceranged | Ministry of Labour, July $1914=100$ |
| France | 124 | 122 | 115 | $+1.6$ | $+7.8$ | 13 Articles, 11 foods, Paris July $1914=100$ |
| Belgium | 894 | 889 | 834 | $+0.6$ | $+7.2$ | 56 Items, 59 lncalities Aprii 1914:100 |
| Germany | 153.5 | 153.6 | 152.1 | -0.1 | $+0.9$ | Cost of Living, 71 Towns, $1913-1914=100$ |
| Italy | 546.? | 547.3 | 536.2 | -0.2 | +1.9 | 21 chief foods, 1913=100 |
| Switzerland | 163 | 163 | 162 | un- <br> changed | +0.6 | Federal Labour Office, cune $1914=100$ |
| Austria | 113 | 113 | 109 | " | +3.7 | Cost cf Living Vienna, duly $1914=100$ |
| Norway | 180 | 180 | 184 | $\pi$ | - 2.2 | Cost of Living 1914=100 |
| Finiand | 161 | 161 | 164 | " | $-1.8$ | Cost of Living 21 Mowns, Jan. -June 1914 ㅌ:- 100 |
| Poland | 123.7 | 122.8 | 123.2 | +0.7 | $+0.4$ | Cust of Living, Warsaw, Jan. 1014:100 |
| Canada | 101.1 | 100.9 | 99.9 | $+1.0$ | + 1.2 | Pominion Bureau of <br> Statistics, 1926=100 |
| United States | 163.4 | 163.2 | 162.9 | $+0.1$ | $+0.3$ | National Jadustrial Conference Board, July $1914=100$ |
| Japan | 180 | 178 | 188 | +2.1 | $-4.3$ | Tokio, Bank of Japan, $1914=100$ |




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| COUNTRY | AUSTRIA | SVITZERLAND | BELGIUN | NETHERLANDS | NORNAY |  | SWELEN |  | DENIVAİK | ALBANIA | SPAIN |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Authority | Federal <br> Statistical <br> Office | Official | winistry of <br> Industry \& Labour | Central <br> Bureau of Statistics | Okcnomisk Revue | Official | Gotabergs Handels Tidning | Commerce Department | Official | Official | Dir.General of Statistics |
| Number of Commodities | 47 x | 71 | 130 | 48 | 100 | 95 | 47 | 160 | 118 | 23 | 74 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3ase } \\ & \text { Period } \end{aligned}$ | January July, 1914 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July, } \\ & 1914 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { April, } \\ 1914 \end{gathered}$ | 1913 | $\operatorname{Dec} .31 / 13-$ $\text { June } 30 / 14$ | 1913 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } 1 / 13 \\ & \text { June } 30 / 14 \end{aligned}$ | 1913 | 1913 | 1927 | 1913 |
| $\frac{\text { Period }}{\text { Date }}$ | July,1914 |  |  | 1913 |  | 1913 |  | 1913 | 1913 | 1927 | 1913 |
| 1913 |  |  |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |  | 100 |
| 1914 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 109 | 115 |  | 116 |  |  |  | 101 |
| 1915 |  |  |  | 146 | 159 |  | 145 |  |  |  | 119 |
| 1916 |  |  |  | 226 | 233 |  | 185 |  |  |  | 141 |
| 1917 |  |  |  | 276 | 341 |  | 244 |  |  |  | 166 |
| 1918 |  |  |  | 376 | 345 |  | 339 |  |  |  | 207 |
| 1919 |  |  |  | 304 | 322 |  | 330 |  |  |  | 204 |
| 1920 |  |  |  | 292 | 382 |  | 347 | 359 |  |  | 221 |
| 1921 | (a) | 191.2 | 366 (b) | 182 | 298 |  | 211 | 222 |  |  | 190 |
| 1922 | 99 | 167.5 | 367 | 160 | 233 |  | 162 | 173 |  |  | 176 |
| 1923 | 124 | 180.6 | 497 | 151 | 232 | 232 | 157 | 163 |  |  | 172 |
| 1924 | 136 | 174.6 | 573 | 156 | 269 | 268 | 155 | 162 |  |  | 103 |
| 1925 | 136 | 161.6 | 558 | 155 | 251 | 253 | 157 | 161 | 210 |  | 188 |
| 1926 | 123 | 144.5 | 744 | 145 | 196 | 198 | 144 | 149 | 163 |  | 181 |
| 1927 | 133 | 142.2 | 847 | 148 | 160 | 167 | 141 | 146 | 153 | 100 | 173 |
| 1928 | 130 | 144.6 | 843 | 149 | 155 | 161 | 144 | 148 | 153 | 104 | 167 |
| 1928 | (d) | (8) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| cotober | 129 | 144.6 | 835 | 146 | 151 | 157 | 136 | 145 | 150 | 104 | 174 |
| Liovember | 128 | 145.2 | 837 | 148 | 150 | 157 | 138 | 145 | 151 | 105 | 176 |
| December <br> 1929 | 127 | 143.9 | 855 | 148 | 150 | 157 | 139 | 145 | 151 | 104 | 175 |
| January | 128 | 142.5 | 867 | 146 | 149 | 154 | 138 | 144 | 151 | 104 | 171 |
| February | 130 | 142.9 | 865 | 146 | 150 | 155 | 139 | 145 | 159 | 103 | 173 |
| March | 133 | 141.8 | 869 | 147 | 150 | 155 | 138 | 144 | 154 | 103 | 174 |
| April | 134 | 140.1 | 862 | 144 | 148 | 154 | 136 | 141 | 150 | 102 | 174 |
| wiay | 135 | 139.3 | 851 | 142 | 146 | 152 | 133 | 140 | 148 | 101 | 171 |
| - une | 134 | 139.4 | 848 | 141 | 147 | 151 | 132 | 139 | 146 | 100 | 170 |
| July | 132 | 142.8 | 858 | 141 | 149 | 152 | 133 | 140 | 149 | 99 | 169 |
| August | 132 | 142.7 | 850 | 142 | 148 | 154 | 133 | 141 | 150 | 98 | 170 |
| September | 128 | 142.2 | 846 | 141 | 148 | 154 | 132 | 140 | 150 | - | 171 |
| October | 127 | 142.0 | 838 | 140 | 147 | 154 |  | 130 |  |  |  |

(a) Since January 1925 schilling prices. x Revised Index No. of Cormodities changed from 42 to 47 . (b) Average of 5 months.
(d) Fifteenth of month. (e) New series Federal Labour Dept. - 78 articles.

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 (ii) Since Nov. 1928, Gold Index.

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INDEX NUYBEAS OP WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUVRIES


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INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVIIGG AND RETALL FRICES IN CANASA AND OTHFR COUNTRTES


| COUNTRY | NORWIY |  | S:ADEN |  | Gisiliny |  | AUSTRIA |  | SPAIN | ITALY | C.IITEBRLAND |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Neture of Index | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pcod } \\ & 30 \\ & \text { Towns } \end{aligned}$ | Cost of Living | Cost of <br> Living | 51 Articles (44 foods) 49 Towns | Cost of Living 71 Towns | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Focd } \\ & 71 \\ & \text { Towns } \end{aligned}$ | Cost of Living Vienra | Food <br> Vienra | Food Madrid | cost of Living Wilan | Cost of Livang (Offioial) <br> Fedaral Labour Office $\qquad$ |
| Base | July | July | July | July 1914 | 1913 1914 | Oct. 1913 July 1914 | July | July |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jar, -June } \\ & 30,1914 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1914 \end{aligned}$ |
| Period | 1914 | 1914 | 1914 | 1914 | 1914 | July,1914 | $1914$ | 1914 | 1914 |  |  |
| Date |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $(4$ |  |  |  |
| 1913 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 100 | 100 |
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| 1915 | 123 July | 146 " | 130 June | 142 " |  |  | 340 |  | 116 |  |  |
| 1917 | 203 " | 190 | 159 " | 181 |  |  | 671 |  | 125 |  |  |
| 1918 | 271 " | 253 " | $\angle 19$ " | $\angle 60$ |  |  | 1162 |  | 154 | 286 July | 204 July |
| 1919 | 290 " | 275 " | 257 | 310 |  |  | 2490 |  | 174 | 280 | 222 |
| 1920 | 319 | 307 | 270 | 297 | 935 July |  | 5100 |  | 190 | 441 ' | 224 " |
| 1921 | 292 | 294 | 236 | 232 | 1124 " |  | 9972 | (5)57900 | 189 | 494 " | 200 |
| 1922 | 233 | 451 | 190 | 179 | 5392 |  | 263700 | 328236 | 181 | 488 | 164 |
| 1923 | 218 | 238 | 174 | 160 " | 3675100 | (1) | (2) 76 | 1291100 | 177 | 487 | 164 " |
| 1224 | 248 | 249 | 171 | 159 | 116.0 | 126.0 July | 86 | 1436200 | 184 July | 512 | 169 |
| 1925 | 260 | 259 | 176 | 169 | 143.3 | 153.8 " | 97 |  | 189 | 598 | 168 |
| 1926 | 198 | 220 | 172 | 156 | 142.4 | 145.3 | 103 | 115 | 187 | 649 | 162 |
| 1927 | 175 | 203 | 169 | 151 | 150.0 | 156.8 | 106 | 122 | 189 | $548{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 160 |
| 1928 | 173 | 193 | 172 | 157 | 152.6 | 154.1 | 108 | 119 | 173 | 143 | 161 |
| 1928 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October | 163 | 184 |  | 153 | 152.1 | 151.8 | 109 | 120 | 179 181 | 144 | 162 |
| November | 161 | 184 |  | 152 | 152.3 | 152.0 152.7 | 109 | 120 | 181 | 146 | 162 162 |
| December | 161 | 183 |  | 151 | 152.7 | 152.7 | 109 | 119 | 187 | 147 | 162 |
| $\frac{1989}{\text { Januery }}$ | 158 | 181 | 1.70 | 150 | 153.1 | 153.3 | 109 | 120 | 184 | 148 | 161 |
| February | 157 | 181 |  | 151 | 154.4 | 155.7 | 111 | 123 | 183 | 148 | 161 |
| March | 158 | 180 |  | 152 | 156.5 | 159.3 | 110 | 121 | 184 | 153 | 161 |
| April | 156 | 180 | 171 | 150 | 153.6 | 154.0 | 109 | 119 | 184 | 150 | 159 |
| May | 156 | 180 |  | 149 | 153.5 | 154.1 | 109 | 120 | 182 | 148 | 160 |
| June | 156 | 179 |  | 149 | 153.4 | 154.0 | 111 | 124 | 179 | 149 | 161 |
| July | 157 | 180 | 169 | 151 | 154.4 | 155.7 | 112 | 123 | 177 | 148 | 161 |
| August | 161 | 102 |  | 150 | 154.0 | 155.0 | 113 | 124 | 178 | 146 | 162 |
| September | 160 | 180 |  | 151 | 153.6 | 154.2 | 113 | 122 |  | 147 | 163 |
| October | 160 | 180 | 170 |  | 153.5 | 153.8 | 113 | 122 |  |  | 163 |










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WHOLESALE FRICES, YEARS 1928 AND 1929 ( $192 k=100$ )


[^0]:    September to November, 1929.

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[^2]:    (a) First of Month.
    (x) Index Nc. of prices revised $192 t=100$.

