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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES
MARCH, 1930

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 fell from 94.0 in February to 91.9 in March, the lowest number recorded since October, 1916. 30 quotations were higher, 118 were lower and 354 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products moved down from 88.7 in February to 85.0 in March. Lower quotations for grains, rubber and sugar influenced the index more than gains for oatmeal and rolled oats. Animals and Their Products fell from 109.6 to 106.1 due to lower quotations for salmon, hides, calves, hogs, butter and eggs. Textiles and Textile Products dropped to 86.4 from 87.9 because of easier prices for cotton, silk and wool. Wood, Wood Products and Paper also declined, moving from 92.7 to 91.7 under the influence of reduced prices for spruce lumber and lath, groundwood pulp, and hemlock. Iron and Its Products weakened fractionally from 92.8 to 92.6 due to lower prices obtaining for steel tank plates, range boilers and wire nails. Non-Ferrous Metals changed from 94.8 to 93.1. This decline was caused by easier quotations for domestic lead, silver, tin, zinc (spelter) and solder. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products remained unchanged at 93.2. Chemicals and Allied Products were slightly lower at 94.1 as compared with 94.2, quotations for dry shellac, ethylene glycol and camphor gum being below those of the previous month.

Consumers' goods declined from 95.0 in February to 93.4 in March, due to lower quotations for eggs, sugar, and butter.

Producers' goods fell from 92.2 to 89.7. Easier prices for cotton, raw silk, grains, wool, and rubber, more than offset gains made by linseed oil and livestock.

Raw and Partly Manufactured goods were lower at 93.9 as against 89.7 in February, due principally to lower prices for grains, tin, wool, silk, rubber and cotton.

Fully and Chiefly Manufactured goods moved down from 92.5 to 91.6. This decline was caused by reduced quotations for butter, rubber, vegetable oils, and sugar.

Farm Products fell from 97.6 to 91.1, gains for livestock being more than counterbalanced by lower prices for grains, wool, hides and eggs.

RESUME OF IMPORTANT PRICE CHANGES: GRAINS.— It is necessary to go back to May 1924 in order to find prices as low as those of March 1930. The announcement made by the Federal Farm Board at the beginning of the month that it was withdrawing from market operations co-incided with an immediate decline of over 3¢ per bushel in cash wheat, and further reductions followed. A light export demand when grain is normally moving freely continued to be the basic reason for the weak price situation, although other supplementary influences of importance were at work. Of these, the proposal by the German government to impose additional import duties upon wheat, was one which attracted a great deal of attention. Speculation regarding future actions of the Farm Board, and the means to be employed in disposing of its present wheat holdings, also contributed to unsteadiness in the market. The lowest point of the month was reached on March 13th when cash wheat at Winnipeg closed at \$1.00 7/8. Then followed a short period of gradual recovery in which selling pressure was greatly reduced and overseas inquiry improved. The underlying weakness of the market was again made apparent, however, when the Winnipeg spot price of No. 1 Northern ^{hard} ~~soft~~ _{4¢} on March 22nd. The close of the month found prices unsteady. Canadian exportable surplus supplies on March 21st were estimated at 156,146,327 bushels as compared with 129,564,186 bushels at the same date in 1929.

No. 1 Manitoba Northern cash wheat, Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis, averaged \$1.062 per bushel in March, as compared with \$1.174 in February. No. 2 Ontario wheat moved lower from \$1.149 to \$1.086 per bushel.

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Coarse grains without exception were also lower. Barley No.3 C.W. fell from 50.8¢ to 46.6¢ per bushel; No.2 American yellow corn moved down from 97.3¢ to 94.8¢ per bushel; flax No.1 N.W.C. averaged \$2.44 per bushel as compared with \$2.50 in February; oats No.2 C.W. dropped from 59.5¢ to 55.6¢ per bushel; and No.2 C.W. rye fell sharply from 72.6¢ to 60.5¢ per bushel, 25¢ lower than the average January 1930 level.

MILLED PRODUCTS.- Flour declined, as was to be expected in view of the condition of the wheat market. Manitoba spring No.1 patent flour was reduced from \$8.20 to \$7.926 per 2-98's jute bag and it is stated that further cuts are quite possible if wheat does not recover appreciably in the near future.

The first signs of strength apparent for some time, in the rolled oats market last month, developed further and prices were advanced by several mills. At Toronto, quotations for rolled oats in 90 pound bags rose from \$3.45 to \$3.55.

Manitoba bran and shorts were reduced sharply. The former, selling ex track Montreal, dropped from \$34.87 to \$31.94 per ton, and the latter on the same basis, was quoted at \$33.94 as compared with \$36.87 in February.

SUGAR.- The market for raw sugar proved to be decidedly weak in March. The decision of the U.S. Senate to adopt higher import duties caused a short flurry early in the month, but the effect of this announcement was soon lost in the consideration of the position of the Single Seller. Agitation for its abolition has been under way for some time but did not reach serious proportions until this month. The Executive Committee of the Single Seller announced at the beginning of March that there would be no change in the present organization despite existing opposition. Dissatisfaction continued to grow, however, until a meeting of stockholders was called for April 1st. At this meeting a vote favoured the Single Seller by a narrow margin. Opponents claim that the Single Seller has disposed of only 650,000 tons of sugar since its inception last September. The chief bullish news of note for the month came from Cuba stating that the total outturn to the end of February has amounted to 1,730,000 tons as against 2,538,118 tons in the same period last year. Cuban mills are reported to be in financial difficulties and in many cases may not be able to finish a normal season.

Cuban 96° centrifugal raw sugar at New York declined from \$2.00 to \$1.906 per cwt. in March, while refined sugar at Montreal also moved lower from \$5.27 to \$5.08 per 100 pounds.

RUBBER.- Favourable developments concerning the rubber situation had to do chiefly with the future, and were not sufficient to continue the upturn which prices took last month. Market news was dominated by the plan of British and Dutch interests to suspend tapping during the month of May. More than 80% of these producers have agreed to the plan and substantial support is also expected from native planters. It is predicted that the resulting cut in production will run to an amount variously estimated at from 30,000 to 41,600 tons. The fact that markets did not re-act more strongly to this announcement is accounted for by production and consumption estimates which indicate that a suspension of two months would be necessary to bring about approximate equilibrium between demand and supply. London stocks at the beginning of March were given as 64,583 tons, while a comparable estimate for 1929 placed stocks then at 25,441 tons. Later reports indicated little change in the statistical position of rubber.

Ceylon ribbed smoked sheets fell from 15.8¢ to 15.3¢ per pound, and first latex crepe was .7¢ lower at 15.6¢ per pound.

COFFEE.- Intimations concerning coffee contained little that was new. Rumours of new loans from London to the Defence Institute gave the market early strength, but lack of confirmation caused a re-action. The statistical position of coffee remained substantially unchanged. Estimates for 1930 place the total Brazilian crop at 11,950,000 bags, as compared with 24,500,000 bags in 1929. Stocks not yet moved to port, however, were given as 19,000,000 bags.

Quotations for green Santos, green Jamaica, and green Bogota have remained unchanged since January at 23¢, 23, and 28¢ per pound respectively.

LIVESTOCK.- The outlet for cattle developed steadily during March, with demand very easily influenced by changes in the volume of runs marketed. Because of the Lenten season runs were generally lower, and reports of carry-overs were comparatively infrequent. The third week witnessed the highest prices yet recorded in 1930 and it is worth noting that the larger runs in the fourth week caused by this upturn in prices failed to break the steadiness of the market. Calves in the West were fairly well maintained, while the Toronto market which followed closely conditions at Buffalo, declined appreciably. Hogs re-acted slightly from February levels. Lambs were somewhat

easier except at Montreal, with reports stating that Western shipments to the east were quite common towards the close of the month.

Good steers 1,000 to 1,200 pounds at Toronto advanced from \$9.78 to \$10.20, and at Winnipeg from \$9.41 to \$9.42. Good veal calves at Toronto declined from \$14.51 to \$13.65 but moved up slightly from \$12.47 to \$12.50 at Winnipeg. Bacon hogs at Toronto dropped from \$14.09 to \$13.50, and from \$12.44 to \$11.77 at Winnipeg. Good handyweight lambs at Toronto moved down from \$12.45 to \$11.86 but were higher at Montreal, advancing from \$10.81 to \$11.83.

HIDES.- Prices for hides continued to decline, although there were evidences that this movement might terminate shortly.

Native steers packer hides narrowed down from 13¢ - 14.5¢ to 13¢ - 14¢, and city cured calf skins were $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ lower at 14.5¢ - 15¢ per pound.

BUTTER.- Price reductions ranging from one to three cents were general for creamery butter in March. Seasonal influences coupled with heavy importations were mainly responsible for this movement.

No.1 creamery prints at Montreal fell from 39¢ to 37.3¢ per pound; at Toronto, from 40¢ to 38.5¢ per pound, and at Winnipeg, from 43¢ to 40¢ per pound.

EGGS.- Drastic reductions in egg prices early in the month brought markets down to unseasonably low levels. Home production advanced very fast during the first week of March, and this along with imports from U.S. markets which were already weak, forced prices down sharply. Some recovery was noted in the tone of Canadian markets in the last week of March, owing to the early movement into storage and rapidly dwindling imports from the United States.

Fresh extras fell from 49.3¢ to 36¢ per dozen at Montreal, from 49.1¢ to 34¢ per dozen at Toronto, from 49.5¢ to 32.75¢ per dozen at Winnipeg, and from 39.3¢ to 29.5¢ per dozen at Vancouver.

COTTON.- A feeling of apprehension regarding the cotton situation was apparent in March, caused by the uncertainty which exists regarding acreage curtailment prospects. The statistical position of cotton at the end of March showing stocks of 4,752,736 bales as against 4,511,675 bales at the end of March 1929 was also a slightly unsettling factor.

As a result cotton prices were again lower, raw cotton upland middling at New York being quoted at 15.179¢ per pound as against 15.64¢ in February and raw cotton in Hamilton at 17.10¢ per pound as compared with 17.25¢ in the previous month.

RAW SILK.- The market was dull for the major part of March. Early in the month, reports that the Japanese government had agreed to guarantee bank loans to silk dealers caused prices to become appreciably firmer. Later however the market weakened, due in part to reports of large stocks amounting to 58,000 bales at Yokohama and Kobe, as against 23,000 bales a year ago. Sharp competition of Italian and Chinese silks in the American market also influenced prices. Raw silk, grand double extra, was quoted at \$4.95 per pound in March as compared with \$5.05 in February. Crack double extra and extra were each 10¢ lower at \$4.65 and \$4.50 per pound, respectively.

WOOL.- Canadian wool markets were quiet throughout the month. Demand was dull and only small orders were placed with woollen and worsted goods mills which remained almost inactive. Raw wool eastern bright $\frac{1}{4}$ blood, was quoted at 18¢ a pound as compared with 21¢ in February and western wools at 16¢ - 18¢ per pound were down to 1914 levels.

LUMBER.- Market comments continued to dwell upon prospects for the future, while tacitly admitting present conditions to be very quiet. In British Columbia especially, production was reported much ahead of demand and there is no prospect of any decided change in business trends. Eastern markets while less depressed were soft and dealers are depending largely upon increased building and construction activity.

Spruce lath prices declined from \$2.50 to \$2.25 per M, reflecting poor U.S. demand. Spruce lumber also ranged from \$1.00 to \$3.00 per M.B.Ft. lower than in February.

IRON AND STEEL.- The February reduction in pig iron prices is reported to have improved buyers' demand in that direction. Markets are quiet, but trade reports seem confident that business in the second quarter of the year will be better than for

the opening months. It is estimated that Canadian melters are now operating at between 70% and 80% of capacity. Fabricators of structural steel report conditions very quiet, but railway building programs are expected to give additional impetus to present business in a very short time.

Steel tank plates declined from \$1.80 - \$1.90 in February to \$1.80 - \$1.85 per 100 pounds.

COPPER.- Copper markets showed little change from February. Buying was reported only in small quantities, with consumers apparently still hoping for reductions in price.

Quotations for electrolytic copper f.o.b. Montreal remained unchanged at \$19.75 per 100 pounds.

TIN.- Although most companies operating in the chief producing areas have undertaken to reduce production, the world's visible supply of tin at the end of February was reported as 33,591 tons, the largest in many months. Owing to this large supply and to the downward trend of commodities generally, prices dropped from 43.75¢ per pound to 40.75¢, the lowest point since 1922.

LEAD.- Quotations for lead declined from \$6.425 per 100 pounds in February to \$5.95 in March. Statistics of world output of pig lead in February showed 147,582 tons as against 141,895 tons a year ago.

ZINC.- Zinc prices at \$5.55 per 100 pounds reached the lowest point recorded since 1914.

OIL, CRUDE.- Imported crude oil mid-continent f.o.b. Sarnia, fell from \$3.20 per barrel in February to \$2.95 in March. Salt Creek crude oil f.o.b. Regina, was also lower at \$3.12 per barrel as against \$3.35 in the previous month. United States mid-continental producers have extended the period of production curtailment agreed to and in some areas crude prices have advanced during the month.

SHELLAC.- The U.S. market was quiet throughout this month and prices fell from 30½¢ in February to 27.9¢ per pound.

CAMPBOR GUM.- Quotations for camphor gum fell from 78¢ - 80¢ per pound to 76¢ - 78¢. Reports were current that stocks on hand in U.S. markets would be ample to take care of normal demand.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - 1913-100

The following table giving indexes of building and construction costs on a 1913 base, is now included in the monthly bulletin in addition to the same data on the base 1926=100, given on page 8.

	No. of Price Series	1929					1930		
		March	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Building and Con- struction Materials	97	153.6	153.1	151.0	150.5	149.7	148.6	147.5	146.6
Lumber	27	155.6	150.2	146.6	146.0	145.7	144.1	142.6	140.7
Painters' Materials	11	158.8	187.0	187.0	185.4	182.2	177.5	174.6	175.3
Miscellaneous	59	149.3	147.5	146.3	146.3	145.7	145.7	145.5	145.3

SUMMARY TABLES OF INDEX NUMBERS

	Price Series	Mar. 1929	Dec. 1929	Jan. 1930	Feb. 1930	Mar. 1930
Total Index 502 Commodities	502	95.5	96.0	95.6	94.0	91.9
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Products, (grain, fruits, etc.)	124	88.4	93.8	92.2	88.7	85.0
II. Animals and Their Products	74	110.0	109.7	110.2	109.6	106.1
III. Fibres, Textiles & Textile Products	60	92.8	89.6	88.6	87.9	86.4
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	44	94.9	93.2	93.3	92.7	91.7
V. Iron and Its Products	39	93.5	93.4	93.0	92.8	92.6
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	107.1	96.5	95.5	94.8	93.1
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	73	92.7	93.2	93.3	93.2	93.2
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	73	95.0	95.0	94.5	94.2	94.1
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO PURPOSE						
I. Consumers' Goods	204	94.6	95.4	95.4	95.0	93.4
Food Beverages and Tobacco	116	98.8	103.2	103.7	103.0	100.1
Other Consumers' Goods	88	91.8	90.2	89.8	89.7	89.0
II. Producers' Goods	351	96.1	96.0	94.6	92.2	89.7
Producers' Equipment	22	94.1	96.2	96.2	96.2	96.2
Producers' Materials	329	96.3	96.0	94.4	91.8	89.0
Building and Construction Materials	97	100.6	98.0	97.3	96.6	96.0
Manufacturers' Materials	232	95.4	95.5	93.8	90.7	87.4
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO ORIGIN						
Total Raw or Partly Manufactured	232	97.0	98.5	98.0	93.9	89.7
Total Fully or Chiefly Manufactured	276	93.0	93.5	92.9	92.5	91.6
I. Articles of Farm Origin (Domestic and Foreign)						
A. Field, (grain, fruits, cotton, etc.)						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	98	86.8	89.7	86.6	81.5	75.9
(b) Fully or chiefly manufactured	69	89.7	93.5	92.4	91.1	89.6
(c) Total	167	88.4	91.7	90.1	86.7	83.3
B. Animal						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	41	114.9	119.8	121.4	117.0	112.8
(b) Fully or chiefly manufactured	49	100.0	96.7	95.9	96.7	95.5
(c) Total	90	106.5	106.7	107.0	105.5	103.0
C. Canadian Farm Products						
(1) Field (grain, etc.)	46	89.5	95.2	91.7	85.5	78.3
(2) Animal	13	113.1	119.2	121.0	117.8	112.5
(3) Total	59	98.3	104.0	102.7	97.6	91.1
II. Articles of Marine Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	5	96.9	94.2	96.2	92.6	87.1
(b) Fully or chiefly manufactured	11	108.6	110.6	109.2	108.9	108.4
(c) Total	16	105.4	106.2	105.7	104.5	102.6
III. Articles of Forest Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	31	102.7	99.2	99.3	98.4	96.0
(b) Fully or chiefly manufactured	21	87.8	87.7	87.6	87.5	87.5
(c) Total	52	94.7	93.1	93.1	92.6	91.5
IV. Articles of Mineral Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	57	94.4	92.5	92.4	91.9	90.4
(b) Fully or chiefly manufactured	126	92.7	92.1	92.1	91.9	91.8
(c) Total	183	93.5	92.3	92.2	91.9	91.2

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INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

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Commodities	No. of Price Series	March 1929	December 1929	January 1930	February 1930	March 1930
Total Index	502	95.5	96.0	95.6	94.0	91.9
I. Vegetable Products	124	88.4	93.8	92.2	88.7	85.0
Fruits	15	108.6	104.3	103.1	100.1	106.2
Fresh, Domestic	3	148.0	110.6	109.3	107.2	110.0
Fresh, Foreign	4	80.1	103.2	101.3	95.7	109.4
Dried	5	84.4	91.9	91.7	90.7	90.5
Canned	3	100.1	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.0
Grains	23	90.4	96.0	90.8	83.2	75.5
Flour and Milled Products	9	92.9	101.0	101.1	96.1	93.5
Bakery Products	2	97.3	101.4	101.4	103.2	103.2
Vegetable Oils	6	88.9	95.3	92.7	91.1	89.7
Rubber and Its Products	6	65.2	65.0	63.8	63.8	62.2
Sugar and Its Products and Glucose	5	88.3	90.1	89.8	89.2	86.0
Tea, Coffee, Cocoa and Spices	13	101.1	93.9	91.8	90.6	90.4
Tobacco	8	68.3	68.3	68.3	68.3	68.3
Vegetables	15	62.0	80.2	104.1	105.6	98.0
Miscellaneous	22	93.7	88.0	82.6	84.5	88.4
II. Animals and Their Products	74	110.0	109.7	110.2	109.6	106.1
Fishery Products	16	105.4	106.2	105.7	104.5	102.7
Furs	9	146.1	143.4	143.4	121.0	121.0
Hides and Skins	5	114.6	106.4	109.3	101.7	98.1
Leather, Unmanufactured	5	115.8	106.8	106.8	106.1	106.1
Boots and Shoes	3	111.8	100.7	100.7	100.7	100.7
Live Stock	4	119.4	119.9	124.0	126.7	127.6
Meats and Poultry	10	106.7	104.0	106.6	113.0	112.5
Milk and Its Products	12	110.8	111.7	111.2	106.2	105.1
Fats	5	89.5	88.7	87.6	89.1	88.2
Eggs	5	111.5	125.4	127.9	126.0	89.1
III. Fibres, Textiles & Textile Products	60	92.8	89.6	88.6	87.9	86.4
Cotton, raw	2	121.1	98.8	98.5	89.4	86.8
Cotton Yarn and Thread	2	102.1	99.0	99.7	99.7	97.4
Cotton Fabrics	17	91.4	91.2	91.1	91.1	90.8
Knit Goods	1	94.4	94.4	92.2	92.2	92.2
Sash Cord	1	113.0	107.1	107.1	107.1	105.2
Flax, Hemp & Jute Products	8	86.9	83.4	79.0	76.8	76.2
Silk, raw	3	83.5	73.4	74.7	74.7	73.1
" thread and yarn	2	82.0	82.0	82.7	82.7	82.7
" hosiery	2	98.6	94.1	94.1	90.9	90.9
" fabrics	4	79.5	73.9	74.0	74.0	67.9
Artificial Silk & Products	2	79.5	74.1	74.1	69.4	69.4
Wool, raw	3	103.7	74.3	70.2	65.7	56.8
" yarns	4	96.2	93.7	93.7	92.8	81.9
" hosiery and knit goods	2	112.9	112.9	112.9	112.9	112.9
" blankets	1	107.1	107.1	99.0	99.0	99.0
" cloth	4	97.6	91.9	90.0	89.1	86.9
Carpets	2	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4

Commodities	No. of Price Series	Mar. 1929	Dec. 1929	Jan. 1930	Feb. 1930	Mar. 1930
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	44	94.9	93.2	93.3	92.7	91.7
Newsprint Paper	2	86.5	86.5	86.5	86.5	86.5
Lumber and Timber	27	107.2	100.0	99.3	98.3	97.0
Pulp	3	92.4	97.4	99.4	97.7	93.8
Furniture	11	100.0	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9
Matches	1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1
V. Iron and Its Products	39	93.5	93.4	93.0	92.8	92.6
Pig Iron and Steel Billets	4	91.8	92.4	89.9	89.9	89.9
Rolling Mill Products	10	96.0	95.5	95.2	94.7	94.7
Pipe (Cast Iron & Steel)	2	91.0	91.9	91.9	91.9	91.9
Hardware	14	93.6	93.9	93.9	94.4	92.7
Wire	3	89.3	89.3	89.3	89.3	89.3
Scrap	5	84.6	84.6	84.6	84.6	84.6
Miscellaneous	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	107.1	96.5	95.5	94.8	93.1
Aluminium	1	88.7	88.7	88.7	88.7	89.8
Antimony	1	52.6	50.2	49.3	49.3	49.3
Brass, Copper & Products	5	143.8	126.2	125.7	125.7	125.7
Lead and Its Products	2	87.2	79.4	79.4	78.5	72.9
Nickel Ingots	1	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.5
Silver	1	90.9	78.3	72.6	69.7	67.2
Tin Ingots	1	76.2	68.4	66.1	65.4	60.9
Zinc and Its Products	2	83.5	68.0	67.5	66.1	63.0
Solder	1	77.9	66.9	66.9	66.9	63.1
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	73	92.7	93.2	93.3	93.2	93.2
Bricks	8	102.9	102.0	101.8	101.8	101.8
Pottery	2	97.3	92.0	92.0	92.0	92.0
Coal	11	95.9	97.8	97.8	97.7	97.6
Coke	6	95.6	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8
Coal Tar	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Glass and Its Products	6	77.6	71.6	71.6	71.6	71.6
Petroleum Products	6	85.3	85.5	85.5	85.5	85.5
Salt	4	96.1	96.1	102.0	102.0	102.0
Sulphur	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Plaster	3	105.9	96.9	96.9	96.9	96.9
Lime	4	99.2	100.8	99.1	99.1	99.1
Cement	1	98.9	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3
Sand and Gravel	8	106.5	96.1	97.8	96.5	96.5
Crushed Stone	3	100.0	89.1	89.1	89.1	89.1
Building Stone	3	65.5	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6
Asbestos	6	107.5	107.5	107.5	107.5	107.5
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	73	95.0	95.0	94.5	94.2	94.1
Inorganic Chemicals	22	91.0	93.8	93.8	93.8	93.8
Organic Chemicals	7	76.4	81.3	81.3	81.1	80.7
Coal Tar Products	2	110.7	110.7	106.1	102.6	102.6
Dyeing and Tanning Materials	10	97.3	94.8	93.7	93.7	93.7
Paint Materials	9	92.5	92.3	90.5	89.9	89.3
Drugs & Pharmaceutical Chemicals	10	105.4	104.9	104.9	104.6	104.4
Fertilizers	10	96.3	80.6	83.5	81.6	83.7
Industrial Gases	2	97.1	97.1	97.1	97.1	97.1
Soap	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

(Classified According to Purpose for which used, 1926=100)

	No. of Price Series	Mar. 1929	Dec. 1929	Jan. 1930	Feb. 1930	Mar. 1930
1. <u>CONSUMERS' GOODS (GROUPS A & B)</u>	204	94.6	95.4	95.4	95.0	93.4
A. <u>Foods, Beverages & Tobacco</u>	116	98.8	103.2	103.7	103.0	100.1
Beverages	8	100.2	94.3	91.8	90.6	90.6
Flour and Milled Products	5	87.9	98.2	97.5	91.7	90.6
Bakery Products	2	97.3	101.4	101.4	103.2	103.2
Fish	16	105.4	106.2	105.7	104.5	102.7
Fruits	15	108.6	104.3	103.1	100.1	106.2
Meats and Poultry	10	106.7	104.0	106.6	113.0	112.5
Milk and Milk Products	12	110.8	111.7	111.2	106.2	105.1
Sugar and Its Products	3	88.3	90.1	89.8	89.2	86.0
Vegetables	15	62.0	80.2	104.1	105.6	98.0
Eggs	5	111.5	125.4	127.9	126.0	89.1
Tobacco	8	68.3	68.3	68.3	68.3	68.3
Miscellaneous	17	89.9	86.8	85.8	87.5	87.0
B. <u>Other Consumers' Goods</u>	88	91.8	90.2	89.8	89.7	89.0
Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Hosiery and Underwear	41	96.4	92.5	92.0	91.8	90.5
Household Equipment & Supplies	47	88.3	88.5	88.1	88.1	87.9
11. <u>PRODUCERS' GOODS (GROUPS C & D)</u>	351	96.1	96.0	94.6	92.2	89.7
C. <u>Producers' Equipment</u>	22	94.1	96.2	96.2	96.2	96.2
Tools	3	98.1	98.1	98.1	98.1	98.1
Light, Heat and Power Equipment and Supplies	17	93.8	96.0	96.0	96.0	96.0
Miscellaneous	2	101.4	101.4	101.4	101.4	101.4
D. <u>Producers' Materials</u>	329	96.3	96.0	94.4	91.8	89.0
Building and Construction Materials	97	100.6	98.0	97.3	96.6	96.0
Lumber	27	107.2	100.4	99.3	98.3	97.0
Painters' Materials	11	87.0	99.9	97.3	95.7	96.1
Miscellaneous	59	97.7	95.3	95.3	95.2	95.1
<u>Manufacturers' Materials</u>	232	95.4	95.5	93.8	90.7	87.4
Textile and Clothing	47	91.4	87.6	86.7	86.0	84.0
Furs and Leather Goods	19	126.1	119.4	119.8	110.6	110.1
For Metal Working Industries	35	104.3	95.9	94.9	94.3	93.0
For Chemical Using Industries	44	91.2	93.2	93.0	92.8	92.8
For Meat Packing Industries	4	119.4	119.9	124.0	126.7	127.6
For Milling and Other Industries	23	90.4	96.0	90.8	83.2	75.5
Miscellaneous Producers' Materials	60	88.3	89.9	89.9	88.8	87.3

WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

		Aver. 1926	Mar. 1929	Jan. 1930	Feb. 1930	Mar. 1930
OATS, No.2 C.W.						
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur Basis	Bus.	.5483	.6423	.5953	.5948	.5561
WHEAT, No.1 Man. Northern						
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur Basis	Bus.	1.4951	1.2695	1.3008	1.1735	1.0623
FLOUR, First Patent 2-98's jute						
Toronto		8.821	7.60	8,547	8.20	7.926
SUGAR, raw 96° Centrifugal						
New York	Cwt.	2.5469	1.9375	2.00	2.00	1.90625
SUGAR, granulated						
Montreal	Cwt.	5.9577	5.225	5.27	5.27	5.08
RUBBER, ribbed, smoked sheets						
New York	Lb.	.488	.2436	.15129	.1584	.153101
RUBBER, Para, upriver, fine						
New York	Lb.	.434	.25215	.16226	.16687	.16514
CATTLE, Steers, good 1000-1200 lbs.						
Toronto	Cwt.	7.35	9.40	9.75	9.78	10.20
HOGS, Bacon						
Toronto	Cwt.	13.32 1/	11.79	13.31	14.09	13.50
BEEF HIDES, Packer hides, native steers						
Toronto	Lb.	.1347	.13½	.14	.13	.13
SOLE LEATHER, Mfr's. green hide crops						
Toronto	Lb.	.3858	.47	.165	.145	.14
BOX SIDES B.						
Mill	Ft.	.2625	.30	.27	.26	.26
BUTTER, creamery, finest						
Montreal	Lb.	.39	.454	.41	.39	.373
CHEESE, Canadian, old large						
Montreal	Lb.	.2558	.28	.28	.28	.26
EGGS, Fresh Extras						
Montreal	Doz.	.465	.453	.603	.493	.36
COTTON, raw 1-1 1/16"						
Hamilton	Lb.	.1942	.2201	.1887	.1725	.1710
COTTON YARNS, 10's white single						
Hosiery cops, mill	Lb.	.368	.39	.365	.365	.34
SAKONY, 4.50 yds. to lb.	Lb.	.7172	.6412	.6412	.6412	.6412
GINGHAM, dress 6.50-7.75 yds.						
to lb. Montreal	Lb.	1.086	1.0174	1.0174	1.0174	1.0174
SILK, raw, grand double extra						
New York	Lb.	6.642	5.65	5.05	5.05	4.95
WOOL, Eastern bright ¼ blood domestic						
Toronto	Lb.	.306	.32	.22	.21	.18
WOOL, Western Range, semi-bright						
½ blood. domestic, Toronto	Lb.	.3158	.33	.23	.19	.16
PUMP, groundwood No.1						
Mill	Ton	29.67	.32	.20	.20	.17
PIG IRON, basic						
Mill	Ton	21.833	26.86	30.67	30.29	27.95
STEEL MERCHANT BARS,						
Mill	100 lbs.	2.45	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40
COPPER, electrolytic domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	15.767	22.93	19.75	19.75	19.75
LEAD, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	8.154	7.17½	6.50	6.425	5.95
TIN INGOTS, Straits						
Toronto	Lb.	.6691	.51	.4425	.4375	.4075
SPELLER, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	8.825	7.37	5.95	5.825	5.55
COAL, anthracite						
Toronto	Ton	13.56	13.52	13.47	13.47	13.47
COAL, bituminous, N.S.						
run-of-mine	Ton	6.083	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
GASOLINE						
Toronto	Gal.	.2525	.195	.195	.195	.195
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Beaume						
Ontario	Net Ton	14.00	12.00	16.00	16.00	16.00

1/ Hogs, thick smooth.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS AND COSTS OF SERVICES IN CANADA, MARCH, 1930
(1926 = 100)

The weighted index number of retail prices, rents and costs of services fell from 101.9 in February to 101.5 in March. Declines in the food and clothing groups were responsible mainly for this result.

The index for 46 food items was down from 106.0 to 104.8, higher prices for meats being more than counterbalanced by declines in butter, eggs and beans. Beef, shoulder roast, rose from 23.1¢ to 23.2¢, veal from 24.9¢ to 25.7¢, mutton from 31.2¢ to 31.7¢, fresh pork from 30.1¢ to 30.6¢, salt pork from 27.5¢ to 27.7¢ and breakfast bacon from 39.7¢ to 40.3¢ per lb. Fresh eggs fell from 59.7¢ to 52.0¢ and storage and cooking eggs from 51.8¢ to 45.8¢ per doz. Creamery butter declined from 46.4¢ to 45.4¢ per lb. and dairy butter from 42.2¢ to 41.5¢. Beans fell from 10.1¢ to 9.9¢ per lb.

The clothing group index has been revised back to February to show a decline from 96.5 to 95.9, due to somewhat easier prices for certain articles of women's clothing and for materials sold by the yard.

The fuel index moved from 97.3 to 97.4. This advance was caused by slightly higher prices for wood.

Index numbers for other groups were unchanged.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS AND COSTS OF SERVICES
1914 - MARCH 1930.

Year	Total Index	Food Index	Fuel 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
<u>1928</u>						
June	98.2	95.9	96.0	101.2	97.3	99.7
July	98.4	96.6	95.9	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
<u>1929</u>						
January	99.6	100.3	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	98.1	97.5	101.2	97.3	99.7
May	99.3	97.9	96.7	103.6	96.9	99.7
June	99.2	97.8	96.1	103.6	96.9	99.7
July	99.4	98.5	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
October	101.1	103.2	96.4	105.5	96.7	99.6
November	101.5	104.3	97.1	105.5	96.5	99.6
December	101.6	104.8	97.3	105.5	96.5	99.6
<u>1930</u>						
January	102.2	106.5	97.3	105.5	96.5	99.6
February	101.9	106.0	97.3	105.5	95.9	99.6
March	101.5	104.8	97.4	105.5	95.9	99.6

Index Numbers of Retail Prices of Principal Articles of Food in Canada (Cont'd.)

Year and Month	Beef Sirloin	Beef Chuck	Veal Roast	Mutton Roast	Pork Fresh	Pork Salt	Bacon Break- fast	Lard Pure	Eggs Fresh	Eggs Storage & Cooking	Milk	Butter Dairy	Butter Creamery	Cheese
1927														
May	108.5	112.6	104.2	101.7	95.0	96.4	92.1	89.4	75.0	79.6	100.8	108.1	109.8	96.9
June	112.9	120.1	105.7	101.0	94.0	95.3	91.2	88.6	77.4	83.4	96.7	98.8	98.7	96.2
July	112.2	117.6	103.6	101.0	93.4	95.3	89.8	87.8	80.8	86.2	96.7	91.4	94.0	96.5
Aug.	110.2	112.6	105.2	100.0	92.4	94.6	89.6	87.8	86.1	92.2	96.7	92.3	94.0	97.2
Sept.	108.5	110.1	107.8	98.0	94.0	94.6	89.6	89.0	98.9	106.0	96.7	97.0	98.7	93.4
Oct.	104.8	108.2	106.8	97.0	94.4	95.7	89.8	89.4	112.4	117.3	96.7	102.7	103.6	98.4
Nov.	103.4	107.5	107.8	93.0	91.1	95.0	88.9	89.8	123.3	124.6	100.8	104.7	104.0	100.3
Dec.	104.1	109.4	109.4	95.0	87.1	93.2	87.0	90.6	137.0	130.7	106.7	105.7	104.5	100.6
1928														
Jan.	106.8	114.5	112.5	96.6	85.8	92.5	86.1	90.2	137.4	130.7	107.5	105.7	105.1	101.3
Feb.	114.3	123.3	116.1	99.7	83.8	91.0	85.2	89.4	110.7	111.1	107.5	104.4	103.6	101.3
March	113.3	124.5	114.1	100.0	83.1	90.7	82.9	88.6	98.5	100.8	105.8	102.7	102.0	101.6
April	114.6	125.8	113.0	98.3	82.5	90.3	81.7	88.2	85.9	87.9	105.8	104.7	106.0	102.5
May	115.3	126.4	112.5	100.7	83.1	91.0	81.3	88.2	76.5	79.4	101.7	104.2	104.3	103.5
June	117.7	129.6	113.5	102.3	87.1	92.5	82.6	89.0	76.9	80.9	98.3	98.5	97.8	102.5
July	121.4	134.0	116.7	102.3	92.4	93.5	86.1	89.4	82.3	85.9	98.3	95.1	96.9	102.5
Aug.	122.1	134.0	117.7	101.0	95.4	95.7	90.3	90.6	90.2	94.5	98.3	97.8	99.6	103.8
Sept.	124.1	134.0	121.9	103.0	103.0	98.2	94.7	91.8	98.9	104.0	105.8	102.0	102.7	104.4
Oct.	122.4	136.5	125.0	104.0	102.6	98.9	98.6	93.5	109.0	114.6	105.8	105.7	106.0	106.3
Nov.	119.7	136.5	122.9	100.3	94.0	97.5	94.0	93.5	122.6	121.1	105.8	107.2	106.7	106.0
Dec.	117.7	134.0	122.4	100.3	89.7	95.0	90.0	92.2	137.0	127.6	105.8	107.9	106.9	105.7
1929														
Jan.	118.0	135.8	125.0	101.0	90.4	95.0	88.9	91.4	128.4	121.6	105.8	108.6	107.8	106.0
Feb.	118.4	136.5	126.0	102.3	91.1	94.6	87.7	91.8	106.2	104.0	109.2	108.6	108.1	106.3
March	118.7	137.1	128.1	102.0	92.7	94.6	87.7	90.6	109.4	111.8	109.2	109.9	109.6	106.3
April	120.4	137.7	126.6	101.3	95.7	95.3	87.5	90.2	86.1	87.4	109.2	109.1	109.6	106.3
May	123.8	141.5	124.5	105.7	100.3	97.5	88.6	89.4	74.8	77.4	108.3	108.9	108.5	106.6
June	129.6	152.2	127.1	104.4	103.0	99.3	91.7	89.8	75.0	77.9	105.8	100.5	100.0	104.4
July	129.9	152.8	128.1	106.7	104.6	100.7	91.7	89.8	96.9	80.4	105.8	96.8	98.7	104.4
August	130.6	150.9	128.1	108.4	108.6	100.7	94.9	90.6	83.8	86.9	105.8	99.3	100.4	104.7
Sept.	127.9	146.5	128.1	106.7	107.6	102.2	96.3	89.4	101.3	104.3	103.3	103.2	102.9	104.4
Oct.	125.5	142.1	129.2	103.7	103.6	99.3	94.9	88.6	109.6	113.3	103.3	105.2	104.9	103.8
Nov.	121.8	140.2	129.7	101.7	99.3	98.6	93.3	87.7	124.6	122.1	107.5	107.7	106.0	104.1
Dec.	119.0	138.9	130.2	101.3	95.7	97.5	91.7	87.3	138.2	126.6	107.5	108.4	106.3	104.4
1930														
Jan.	122.1	142.8	130.2	104.0	98.7	98.2	91.7	86.9	137.6	131.4	113.3	108.6	106.3	104.1
Feb.	123.5	145.3	129.7	104.7	99.7	98.6	91.9	87.3	127.6	130.2	111.7	104.2	103.8	102.5
March	123.1	145.9	133.9	106.4	101.3	99.3	93.3	87.8	111.1	115.1	111.7	102.5	101.6	103.5

Index Numbers of Retail Prices of Principal Articles of food in Canada (Concluded).

Year and Month	Bread	Flour	Roll'd Oats	Rice	Beans	Apples Evaporated	Prunes	Sugar Granulated	Sugar Yellow	Tea	Coffee	Potatoes	Vinegar	Weighted Food Index (46 items)
<u>1927</u>														
May	100.0	98.1	103.4	100.0	102.5	97.0	94.3	107.7	105.3	99.9	99.5	67.1	100.0	96.6
June	102.7	100.0	103.4	100.0	102.5	96.5	93.6	107.7	106.7	99.9	100.3	82.1	101.3	97.5
July	102.7	100.0	105.2	99.1	103.8	96.5	96.2	107.7	105.3	99.2	99.2	97.0	101.3	98.0
Aug.	102.7	100.0	108.6	98.2	102.5	97.5	94.9	105.1	105.3	99.4	99.7	96.0	101.3	97.7
Sept.	102.7	101.9	108.6	98.2	101.3	95.5	93.6	105.1	104.0	99.3	99.3	70.6	101.3	96.8
Oct.	104.1	100.0	110.3	99.1	101.3	95.0	93.0	103.8	104.0	99.3	99.2	63.3	101.3	97.7
Nov.	104.1	98.1	110.3	98.2	100.0	97.5	91.1	105.1	102.7	99.4	99.5	66.1	101.3	98.5
Dec.	104.1	98.1	110.3	98.2	101.3	96.0	88.5	103.8	102.7	99.9	99.8	66.9	101.3	99.9
<u>1928</u>														
Jan.	105.4	98.1	108.6	97.2	101.3	97.0	88.5	103.8	102.7	99.2	99.2	66.9	101.3	100.4
Feb.	105.4	96.2	108.6	96.3	100.0	98.0	85.4	103.8	101.3	100.0	99.3	67.3	101.3	99.1
March	106.8	96.2	108.6	96.3	101.3	101.0	84.7	101.3	101.3	99.7	99.0	67.1	105.2	97.7
April	106.8	96.2	108.6	97.2	103.8	104.0	85.4	103.8	101.3	99.9	99.7	71.0	101.3	97.5
May	106.8	98.1	108.6	96.3	108.9	105.0	84.1	103.8	101.3	99.9	98.5	69.0	101.3	96.4
June	108.1	98.1	110.3	96.3	112.7	107.0	84.7	102.6	101.3	100.0	98.4	63.0	101.3	95.9
July	108.1	98.1	108.6	96.3	115.2	109.0	86.0	102.6	100.0	99.4	98.7	59.7	100.0	96.6
Aug.	102.7	98.1	108.6	97.2	115.2	107.5	86.0	101.3	100.0	99.4	98.7	77.2	101.3	98.9
Sept.	102.7	96.2	108.6	95.4	116.5	104.5	86.0	100.0	98.7	99.3	98.0	60.1	101.3	99.2
Oct.	100.0	96.2	108.6	95.4	120.3	105.5	86.6	100.0	97.3	99.4	99.3	53.2	101.3	101.0
Nov.	100.0	94.3	108.6	95.4	124.1	104.5	85.4	98.7	96.0	98.7	99.2	51.8	102.6	100.7
Dec.	100.0	94.3	106.9	94.5	130.4	103.0	86.0	96.2	96.0	98.3	98.9	51.2	101.3	100.5
<u>1929</u>														
Jan.	100.0	92.5	108.6	95.4	134.2	103.5	86.6	96.2	96.0	98.7	99.2	52.4	102.6	100.2
Feb.	100.0	92.5	108.6	96.3	140.5	104.0	86.6	97.4	94.7	98.5	99.3	54.0	102.6	99.4
March	100.0	92.5	108.6	95.4	148.1	106.5	87.3	96.2	94.7	98.3	98.5	53.6	101.3	100.0
April	100.0	92.5	106.9	96.3	149.4	106.5	86.0	94.9	93.3	98.3	99.2	51.0	102.6	98.2
May	100.0	92.5	108.6	95.4	151.9	104.5	86.0	92.3	92.0	98.7	99.2	50.0	101.3	98.0
June	98.6	90.6	106.9	94.5	151.9	106.5	86.6	91.0	89.3	98.2	98.7	52.2	102.6	97.8
July	98.6	90.6	108.6	94.5	150.6	106.0	87.3	92.3	90.7	98.2	98.9	59.7	100.0	98.6
Aug.	98.6	100.0	110.3	94.5	150.6	108.0	87.9	89.7	90.7	98.2	98.4	109.7	101.3	104.2
Sept.	102.7	100.0	110.3	95.4	150.6	106.0	90.4	91.0	90.7	98.3	98.4	87.1	102.6	103.6
Oct.	102.7	100.0	110.3	94.5	149.4	105.0	93.0	92.3	92.0	97.8	98.4	83.9	102.6	103.2
Nov.	102.7	100.0	110.3	93.6	143.0	107.0	97.4	93.6	92.0	97.9	99.0	84.1	101.3	104.2
Dec.	102.7	100.0	110.3	94.5	136.7	106.5	99.4	93.6	92.0	97.9	98.7	85.1	101.3	104.5
<u>1930</u>														
Jan.	105.4	98.1	110.3	94.5	131.6	105.5	102.5	92.3	92.0	98.3	98.7	87.9	101.3	102.2
Feb.	105.4	98.1	108.6	93.6	127.8	104.5	104.5	92.3	92.0	97.4	97.5	93.8	100.0	101.9
March	105.4	96.2	106.9	93.6	125.3	104.0	103.8	92.3	92.0	95.4	96.1	94.8	101.3	101.5

INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

Movement of Indexes in March, 1930.

Traders' Index

The "Traders' Index" of the prices of twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges was 898.6 for the month of March, 1930, as compared with 864.3 for February, 1930, (monthly indexes are simple averages of weekly figures).

Some of the principal changes in price during the month were as follows:- Famous Players rose from \$50.3 to \$57.5, Famous Players Voting Trust from \$46.8 to \$54.0, Brazilian from \$37.7 to \$42.5, Chas. Gurd from \$27.7 to \$31.2, Ford "A" from \$29.9 to \$32.9, National Breweries from \$29.1 to \$31.6, and Abitibi from \$29.5 to \$31.9. Dominion Bridge declined from \$79.1 to \$71.8, National Steel Car from \$73.0 to \$68.2, Winnipeg Electric from \$46.8 to \$42.8, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from \$243.6 to \$239.6, C.P.R. "New" from \$55.6 to \$52.8, Massey Harris from \$37.7 to \$34.9, and Shawinigan from \$77.7 to \$75.1.

Sales of Brazilian went up from 141,800 to 430,300, International Nickel from 440,500 to 616,800, Famous Players from 14,700 to 57,900, National Breweries from 9,900 to 35,000, Famous Players Voting Trust from 5,900 to 26,900 and Canadian Car and Foundry from 18,400 to 27,400. C.P.R. "New" fell from 70,100 to 8,800, Massey Harris from 45,100 to 22,900, National Steel Car from 26,200 to 8,100, Dominion Bridge from 29,100 to 19,200, Shawinigan from 21,200 to 14,700, McCall Frontenac Oil from 15,900 to 9,600 and Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 12,900 to 8,300.

Notes: The Traders' Index measures the trend of gains or 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. - Weighted 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 Column I.

Date	I Prices	II Values
<u>1926</u>	100	100
<u>1927</u>		
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
<u>1928</u>		
January	317.7	282.9
February	322.0	230.3
March	388.5	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
<u>1929</u>		
January	1039.5	475.3
February	1125.8	280.3
March	1057.3	242.4
April	962.4	128.4
May	955.1	113.4
June	968.0	82.2
July	1032.1	86.0
August	1170.1	212.2
September	1230.4	179.2
October	1125.8	269.5
November	769.2	119.4
December	786.7	55.8
<u>1930</u>		
January	828.9	56.4
February	864.3	51.9
March	898.6	56.1

The monthly index of one hundred industrial stocks advanced from 205.5 in February to 210.2 in March. Pulp and paper rose from 63.3 to 64.9, oils from 263.0 to 270.8 and miscellaneous stocks from 305.2 to 317.4, the latter including International Nickel. Milling declined from 171.9 to 156.2 and food and allied products from 136.9 to 132.5. Eighteen utilities fell from 141.0 to 137.4. All sub-groups found lower levels, transportation showing the biggest decline being 132.4 as compared with 139.9 in February. Nine companies abroad advanced from 121.0 to 133.2. Eight banks fell from 120.4 to 118.3.

PREFERRED STOCKS

Twenty-two preferred stocks continued their upward trend being 100.9 in March as compared with 98.8 in February. The principal causes of the advance were Abitibi, which rose from 75.3 to 82.0, Moore Preferred B, which rose from 153.9 to 155.0, Tuckett from 114.8 to 118.2, Canada Bread from 115.0 to 116.3, and Dominion Glass from 120.0 to 121.4. Noticeable declines were: Montreal Cottons from 114.0 to 110.0, Lake of the Woods from 120.0 to 118.0, and Maple Leaf from 103.9 to 99.7.

INDEX NUMBERS OF 22 PREFERRED STOCKS

1926-1930
(1926=100)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1926	100.4	101.4	100.9	99.6	98.3	98.7	99.1	99.4	100.0	100.2	101.0	101.4
1927	102.1	102.5	102.7	102.6	102.5	102.1	102.5	103.8	104.8	107.8	110.8	111.8
1928	111.5	110.9	109.9	111.4	111.7	111.2	110.3	107.5	107.6	106.2	104.0	107.9
1929	107.4	108.1	106.8	104.3	104.3	104.8	104.8	105.6	105.1	102.9	99.8	100.4
1930	97.9	98.8	100.9									

WEIGHTED INDEX NUMBERS OF 17 MINING STOCKS

1926 = 100

The weighted index numbers of seventeen mining stocks computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base 1926-100 was 84.4 for the week ending April 3rd as compared with 84.9 for the previous week.

Eleven gold stocks fell from 62.6 to 62.0. Gold copper stocks represented by Amulet and Noranda fell from 204.0 to 203.7. Four silver and miscellaneous stocks fell from 46.8 to 46.6.

Among the gold stocks, weekly average prices behaved as follows: Hollinger fell from \$5.80 to \$5.74, Vipond Consolidated from 94¢ to 91¢, Kirkland Lake from 70¢ to 67¢, Sylvanite from 57¢ to 55¢, Teck-Hughes from \$6.22 to \$6.18 and Wright-Hargreaves from \$1.84 to \$1.75. Coniaurum rose from 28¢ to 32¢, Dome from \$8.91 to \$8.96 and McIntyre from \$18.43 to \$18.52.

Average weekly prices were lower for one of the gold copper stocks and higher for the other. Amulet fell from \$1.45 to \$1.43 while Noranda rose from \$40.25 to \$40.26.

In the silver and miscellaneous group, Mining Corporation fell from \$2.80 to \$2.70. Nipissing rose from \$1.53 to \$1.63.

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INVESTORS MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS
1926=100

No. of Securities	General Banks			Utilities			Industrials									Companies Abroad		
	Total	Total	Total	Trans- port- ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Tract- ion	Total	Iron and Steel & Iron and Steel Products	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Mis- cell- aneous	Total	In- dust- rial	Util- ity
1930	135	8	18	2	2	14	100	16	11	5	4	9	23	11	21	9	1	8
1928																		
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
May	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
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	120.3	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
1929																		
January	207.4	150.2	154.0	153.7	122.3	164.9	286.1	374.6	101.6	217.2	276.3	110.9	196.7	189.1	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	261.4	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	298.8	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	186.4	131.4	149.3	135.0	121.5	174.3	255.4	248.8	92.6	244.0	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	77.4	206.1	296.4	79.2	138.9	88.0	267.6	129.5	125.9	141.4
December	156.5	117.4	131.6	122.6	114.4	148.5	210.0	231.6	76.0	196.8	296.1	79.4	139.8	93.8	266.2	137.9	137.6	146.6
1930																		
January	155.7	120.3	133.3	123.0	115.7	151.6	209.1	232.5	63.4	174.7	286.6	78.9	140.0	85.8	287.7	130.3	131.4	136.9
February	155.3	120.4	141.0	139.9	117.5	151.6	205.5	224.8	63.3	171.9	263.0	76.2	136.9	79.2	305.2	121.0	117.8	131.6
March	157.6	118.3	137.4	132.4	115.8	151.2	210.2	221.8	64.9	156.2	270.8	72.4	132.5	77.5	317.4	133.2	128.8	145.8

INDEX NUMBER OF SEVENTEEN MINING STOCKS
1926=100

	Gold 11	Copper 2	Silver and Miscellaneous 4	Total Index 17
<u>1923</u>				
July	101.7	293.0	84.8	131.9
August	92.0	291.2	78.4	123.6
September	91.6	283.6	77.2	121.9
October	84.3	268.3	66.4	113.0
November	82.0	300.8	68.6	116.5
December	76.8	315.0	72.2	115.1
<u>1929</u>				
January	85.4	334.7	80.0	125.7
February	84.4	323.6	85.3	123.7
March	84.7	301.4	82.5	120.3
April	82.9	267.2	75.4	112.7
May	77.4	272.4	72.7	108.9
June	72.1	267.5	69.8	103.9
July	73.2	298.2	69.4	109.6
August	74.1	325.9	70.5	114.8
September	63.6	317.0	65.3	104.8
October	59.3	247.8	59.8	90.1
November	54.2	185.0	55.0	75.7
December	54.3	178.1	51.3	74.5
<u>1930</u>				
January	57.4	191.4	49.6	78.9
February	62.9	209.3	50.1	86.1
March	62.5	206.3	47.8	85.2
Week ending Jan. 2nd.	54.0	176.1	50.3	73.9
" " " 9th	53.3	182.6	49.0	74.3
" " " 16th	56.6	189.3	49.8	78.0
" " " 23rd	58.6	192.5	50.2	80.1
" " " 30th	61.0	201.1	49.4	83.3
" " Feb. 6th	62.8	211.9	50.0	86.4
" " " 13th	63.8	213.4	50.3	88.3
" " " 20th	63.3	207.6	50.7	86.2
" " " 27th	61.9	199.5	49.3	83.7
" " Mar. 6th	62.3	209.4	48.6	85.5
" " " 13th	62.4	208.5	48.0	85.5
" " " 20th	62.7	203.2	47.7	84.9
" " " 27th	62.6	204.0	46.8	84.9
" " Apr. 3rd.	62.0	205.7	46.6	84.4

WEEKLY AVERAGE PRICES OF 17 MINING STOCKS

January to March 1930.

	J A N U A R Y				F E B R U A R Y				M A R C H			
	9th	16th	23rd	30th	6th	13th	20th	27th	6th	13th	20th	27th
<u>Gold Group</u>												
Premier	1.59	1.56	1.53	1.53	1.48	1.44	1.43	1.33	1.27	1.25	1.11	1.00
Coniaurum	.35	.35	.35	.35	.35	.46	.52	.31	.31	.31	.28	.28
Dome	7.03	7.12	7.64	8.13	8.00	7.67	7.72	7.79	7.99	7.90	8.73	8.91
Hollinger	4.72	5.03	5.38	5.56	5.53	5.71	5.61	5.59	5.66	5.65	5.76	5.80
McIntyre	15.41	17.01	17.35	17.53	17.73	18.43	18.23	17.30	17.81	17.96	18.17	18.43
Vipond Consolidated	.64	.70	.70	.73	.72	.91	.92	.89	1.02	1.01	.96	.94
Kirkland Lake	.53	.63	.69	.75	.77	.81	.85	.78	.79	.76	.72	.70
Lake Shore	19.32	19.82	20.18	21.53	22.99	22.39	22.34	22.68	22.54	22.50	22.58	22.58
Sylvanite	.47	.66	.71	.71	.64	.69	.68	.66	.57	.56	.54	.57
Teck Hughes	4.99	5.28	5.48	5.73	6.09	6.42	6.29	6.02	6.13	6.27	6.26	6.22
Wright-Hargreaves	1.36	1.69	1.78	1.81	1.84	1.91	1.95	1.78	1.80	1.83	1.84	1.84
<u>Gold-Copper Group -</u>												
Amulet	1.58	1.71	1.72	1.72	1.72	1.66	1.57	1.42	1.47	1.49	1.45	1.45
Noranda	35.53	36.75	37.41	39.21	41.46	42.88	40.80	39.32	41.33	41.12	40.09	40.25
<u>Silver and Miscellaneous</u>												
Beaver	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Nipissing	1.60	1.59	1.65	1.66	1.73	1.60	1.49	1.60	1.67	1.60	1.54	1.53
Coniagas	1.03	1.20	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.12	1.05	1.05	.95	.95	.95	.98
Mining Corporation	2.92	2.95	2.92	2.83	2.85	3.05	3.21	2.98	2.89	2.88	2.90	2.80

INDEX NUMBERS OF INTEREST RATES IN CANADA

(1926 = 100)

The index numbers of Interest Rates calculated from the yields of the most popular Ontario Bonds on the basis 1926=100 moved downward in March being 101.3 as compared with 102.3 in February. The index is based on information received from Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company Limited, showing the yield on these bonds to be on 4.85% basis for March.

Index Numbers of Interest Rates in Canada Calculated
From Yields of Ontario Bonds, 1900-1930.

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	78.5	75.2	76.2				
June	75.2	78.7	79.3	78.5	79.3	74.1	76.2				
October	77.2	78.7	79.3	78.5	79.3	75.2	76.8				
December	77.7	79.3	78.5	78.5	78.3	76.2	77.2				
	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	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	81.0	85.0	89.8				
June	85.6	86.6	80.4	82.5	81.0	86.6	90.8				
October	87.7	85.6	80.4	82.5	81.4	87.7	91.9				
December	88.7	83.5	81.4	83.5	83.5	88.7	91.9				
	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919					
January	91.9	88.7	109.6	100.2	125.3	121.1					
April	90.8	91.9	110.6	109.6	125.3	116.9					
June	88.7	93.9	109.6	114.8	126.3	112.7					
October	88.7	104.4	104.4	123.2	125.3	116.9					
December	88.7	109.6	102.3	125.3	125.3	120.0					
	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930
January	120.0	125.3	116.9	112.7	106.5	99.2	100.2	97.1	89.8	97.1	102.3
February	120.0	125.3	114.8	110.6	106.1	100.2	100.2	97.1	87.7	98.1	102.3
March	120.0	125.3	113.8	109.6	106.1	100.2	100.2	96.0	88.7	101.3	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	102.3	

AVERAGE MONTHLY QUOTATIONS FOR STERLING AND NEW YORK
FUNDS AT MONTREAL, 1926-1930.

	Sterling Exchange Montreal	New York Funds Montreal
<u>1926</u>		
January	4.86245	1.00211
February	4.87398	1.00331
March	4.87301	1.00349
April	4.85303	.99931
May	4.85307	.99907
June	4.8555	.99875
July	4.85165	.99725
August	4.84567	.99839
September	4.84255	.99850
October	4.84202	.99852
November	4.83539	.99851
December	4.84957	1.0007
Average	4.85301	.99982
<u>1927</u>		
January	4.85425	1.0016
February	4.85305	1.00158
March	4.85350	1.00087
April	4.84664	.99884
May	4.84913	.9992
June	4.85573	.99942
July	4.85764	1.00067
August	4.85702	1.00045
September	4.8558	.99934
October	4.85932	.99895
November	4.86236	.99847
December	4.88258	1.00089
Average	4.85727	1.00002
<u>1928</u>		
January	4.87954	1.0017
February	4.87908	1.0018
March	4.8758	.99983
April	4.87349	.99974
May	4.88220	1.00088
June	4.88748	1.0023
July	4.86925	1.0020
August	4.84795	.99369
September	4.8434	.99959
October	4.8454	1.00026
November	4.8411	.99810
December	4.85738	1.00274
Average	4.86517	1.00017
<u>1929</u>		
January	4.85701	1.00269
February	4.86539	1.0038
March	4.87705	1.00597
April	4.88555	1.0076
May	4.87914	1.0068
June	4.88418	1.0083
July	4.86971	1.0049
August	4.87039	1.0056
September	4.87949	1.0076
October	4.92085	1.0144
November	4.94980	1.0157
December	4.9212	1.0078
Average	4.88831	1.0076
<u>1930</u>		
January	4.9184	1.01345
February	4.8931	1.00599
March	4.8706	1.00209

MONTHLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCK PRICES

Issued by the Standard Statistics Company Inc. of New York
1926=100

	Total 404 Stocks	Industrials 337 Stocks	Railroads 33 Stocks	Utilities 34 Stocks
<u>1927</u>				
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	115.4	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	126.7	127.5	124.3	124.5
November	129.6	131.3	124.9	125.6
December	133.1	135.5	126.8	127.2
<u>1928</u>				
January	134.4	137.4	125.3	129.5
February	132.3	134.8	121.6	130.9
March	137.9	141.1	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	124.0	145.3
August	148.3	152.6	126.5	147.9
September	156.6	162.2	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
<u>1929</u>				
January	185.2	192.5	141.8	192.7
February	186.5	192.3	141.6	202.4
March	189.1	196.0	140.4	203.7
April	186.6	193.4	138.3	201.4
May	187.7	192.6	138.7	212.3
June	190.7	191.0	144.8	233.0
July	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
October	201.7	194.4	157.0	276.6
November	151.1	144.8	135.1	194.4
December	153.8	146.9	136.3	200.9
<u>1930</u>				
January	156.3	148.8	136.5	208.7
February	165.5	155.9	142.5	230.5
March	172.4	163.0	143.2	242.1

WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS, FEBRUARY, 1930.

WHOLESALE

At no time since the post-war deflationary re-adjustment of 1920-1921 have world prices displayed such a widespread downward tendency as the one in evidence at the present time. Index numbers of wholesale prices for February fell even more sharply than in the preceding month, at which time it was noted that the decline appeared to be accelerating. Examination of the various group indexes for different countries showed in almost every case that while vegetable product prices were weakest, nearly all groups have lately moved lower.

In the United Kingdom, wholesale price levels are estimated to have fallen 7.7% in the past twelve months, using the Board of Trade index as the basis of calculation.

An interesting aspect of German price developments during the past year is given by index numbers classified according to purpose (1913=100) and by indexes for "Free" and "Regulated" prices (1926=100).

Materials for production have remained fairly stable, raw materials having declined from 137.0 in January 1929 to 136.7 in January 1930, while in the same interval finished goods have risen from 137.7 to 139.5. Goods for consumption, of both classes have been reduced considerably. Raw materials during the year dropped from 153.4 to 129.2, and finished goods moved down less abruptly from 174.7 to 168.4. "Free" prices governed by competitive markets, have declined from 101.9 to 90.4. "Regulated" prices, for products of cartellized industries, on the contrary have advanced slightly from 104.6 to 105.0.

Comparative Wholesale Prices Data for February, 1930,
January, 1930, and February, 1929.

Country	Feb. 1930	Jan. 1930	Feb. 1929	Feb. 1930 + or - % compared with		Index
				Jan. 1930	Feb. 1929	
United Kingdom	127.8	131.0	138.4	- 2.4	- 7.7	Board of Trade, 1913=100
France	576	576	652	unchanged	- 1.7	Statistique Generale, July 1914=100
Germany	129.3	132.3	139.3	- 2.3	- 7.2	Federal Statistical Office, 1913=100
Italy	408	417	463	- 2.2	-11.9	Bachi, 1913=100
Netherlands	126	131	146	- 3.8	-13.7	Central Bureau of Statistics, 1913=100
Belgium	791	808	865	- 2.1	- 8.6	Ministry of Industry and Labour, April 1914=100
Denmark	140	143	159	- 2.1	-11.9	Official, 1913=100
Norway	147	150	155	- 2.0	- 5.2	Official, 1913=100
Finland	93	94	100	- 1.1	- 7.0	Official, 1926=100
Estonia	110	110	121	unchanged	- 9.1	Official, 1913=100
Austria	123	125	130	- 1.6	- 5.4	Federal Statistical Office, Jan.-July, 1914=100
Switzerland	133.0	135.6	142.9	- 1.9	- 6.9	Official, July 1914=100
Canada	94.0	95.6	95.7	- 1.7	- 1.8	Dominion Bureau of Statistics 1926=100
United States	92.7	93.3	97.7	- 0.6	- 5.1	Irving Fisher, 1926=100
Japan	151.0	152.2	171.0	- 0.8	-11.7	Bank of Japan, 1914=100
Peru	181	181	185	unchanged	- 2.2	Official, 1913=100
New Zealand	1470	1460	1464	+ 0.7	+ 0.4	Government Statistician 1909-1913=100

WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS, FEBRUARY, 1930.

COST OF LIVING

February cost of living indexes were generally lower than for the preceding month, indicating that retail prices are beginning to feel the effect of the movement in wholesale prices which has been progressing throughout the past few months.

The lag between wholesale and retail prices is well illustrated by the tables of index numbers given. From these it may be seen that although the cost of living indexes comprised mainly of retail prices data, are lower than a year ago, the amount of the decline is considerably less than that shown by the wholesale price index for the same country.

Comparative Cost of Living Data for February, 1930,
January, 1930, and February, 1929.

Country	Feb. 1930	Jan. 1930	Feb. 1929	Feb. 1930 + or -% compared with		Index
				Jan. 1930	Feb. 1929	
United Kingdom	161	164	166	- 1.8	- 3.0	Ministry of Labour, July 1914=100
France	121	124	122	- 2.4	- 0.8	13 Articles, 11 Foods, Paris, July 1914=100
Germany	150.3	151.6	154.4	- 0.9	- 2.7	Cost of Living 72 Towns, 1913-14=100
Belgium	890	895	862	- 0.6	+ 3.2	Cost of Living, 59 Local- ities, April 1914=100
Italy	148	150	148	- 1.3	unchanged	Cost of Living, Milan, Jan-June, 1914=100
Switzerland	160	161	161	- 0.6	- 0.6	Cost of Living (Official) June 1914=100
Roumania	131.8	131.8	131.7	unchanged	+ 0.1	Cost of Living, 1914=100
Austria	112	113	111	- 0.9	+ 0.9	Cost of Living, Vienna, July 1914=100
Norway	177	178	181	- 0.6	- 2.2	Cost of Living, July, 1914=100
Finland	152	154	161	- 1.3	- 5.6	Cost of Living, 21 Towns, Jan.-June, 1914=100
Canada	101.9	102.2	99.4	- 0.3	+ 2.5	Dominion Bureau of Statistics 1926=100
United States	158.8	160.4	161.0	- 1.0	- 1.4	National Industrial Conference Board, July 1914=100
Japan	168	170	185	- 1.2	- 9.2	Retail Prices Tokyo, July, 1914=100

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Authority	C A N A D A						U N I T E D S T A T E S						
	General Index	(Consumers' Goods)	(Producers' Goods)	Raw or Partly Mfd. Goods	Fully or Chiefly Mfd. Goods	Irving Fisher	Bureau of Labour Statistics	Bradstreet	Dun	Annalist			
Number of Commodities	502	236	204	351	232	276	200	550	106	200	72 Series		
Base	1926	1913	1926	1926	1926	1926	1913	1926	1913	1913	1913		
1913	64.0	100	61.9	67.4	61.6	67.4	100	66.2x	69.8	9.2115	100	120.887	100
1914	65.5	102.3	62.7	69.7	68.4	71.8		65.0	68.1	8.9034	97	122.211	101
1915	70.4	109.9	65.6	77.0	83.3	87.1		66.8	69.5	9.8530	107	126.393	104
1916	84.3	131.6	74.7	88.1	99.4	113.7		84.0	85.5	11.8237	128	148.807	122
1917	114.3	178.5	95.4	119.6	103.8	123.2		117.4	117.5	15.6385	170	204.123	169
1918	127.4	199.0	107.4	131.5	105.3	121.7		128.7	131.3	18.7117	203	229.220	190
1919	133.9	209.2	118.7	139.0	125.2	142.6		136.7	138.6	18.6642	203	230.846	190
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	111.5	123.3		149.8	154.4	18.8095	204	248.721	205
1921	110.0	171.8	108.0	112.8	103.4	108.8		97.3	97.6	11.3696	123	170.451	141
1922	97.3	152.0	95.1	99.1	105.5	107.4		98.6	96.7	12.1185	132	171.660	144
1923	98.0	153.0	93.7	97.8	101.7	107.0	158	101.1	100.6	13.4028	146	189.787	157
1924	99.4	155.2	93.2	99.5	101.8	101.6	149	98.9	98.1	12.8672	139	189.322	157
1925	102.6	106.3	97.2	104.9	100.0	100.0	159	105.2	103.5	13.9445	151	197.694	164
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	151	100.0	100.0	13.0207	141	189.398	157
1927	97.6	152.5	95.9	98.5	100.0	96.6	142	94.2	95.4	12.7787	139	187.092	155
1928	96.4	150.6	95.7	96.6	97.5	95.0	149	98.2	97.7	13.2823	144	194.521	161
1929								96.3	96.5	(a)	136(a)		
March	96.1	150.1	94.7	93.9	97.0	93.0	149	98.3	97.5	13.0004	141	194.247	161
April	94.1	147.0	93.6	92.9	94.7	92.3	147	97.1	96.8	12.8691	139	191.596	158
May	92.4	144.3	93.3	93.1	93.3	91.2	145	95.9	95.8	12.6765	137	189.036	156
June	92.6	144.6	93.4	93.3	93.2	91.1	147	96.9	96.4	12.4562	135	185.856	154
July	96.0	150.0	94.4	100.6	101.2	93.1	149	98.5	98.0	12.4853	136	188.698	156
August	98.1	153.2	95.9	100.3	101.7	94.8	147	97.3	97.7	12.6309	137	192.206	159
September	97.3	152.0	95.6	99.0	101.4	94.2	145	96.0	97.5	12.6655	137	192.004	159
October	96.7	151.0	95.6	97.3	100.3	93.9	143	94.4	96.3	12.7030	138	192.204	159
November	95.8	149.7	95.1	95.5	97.2	93.7	140	92.7	94.4	12.4008	135	191.179	158
December	96.2	150.2	95.4	96.1	98.5	93.5	141	92.8	94.2	12.2367	133	188.969	156
1930													
January	95.6	149.4	95.4	94.6	98.0	92.9		93.3	93.4	11.6795	127	186.513	154
February	94.0	146.8	95.0	92.2	93.9	92.5		92.7		11.5141	125	184.426	153
March	91.9	143.6	93.4	89.7	89.7	91.6		90.8		11.2235	122	180.939	150

(a) First of Month.

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SOUTH AMERICA			EUROPE					FRANCE		GERMANY
COUNTRY	CHILE	PERU	Board of Trade	UNITED KINGDOM		Statist	Times	Statistique General	U. S. Federal Reserve Board	Federal Statistical Office
No. of Commodities			150		58	45	60	45	70	400
Same period	1913	1913	1913	1913	1927	1866-77	1913	July, 1914	1913	1913
Date										
1913	100	100	100	100		100 (a)	100			100
1914								100		106
1915						127.1				142
1916						159.5				152
1917						206.1				179
1918		212				226.5				217
1919		220				241.9				415
1920		239	307.3			295.3	328	506	512	1486
1921		205	197.2			182.4	189	337	334	1911
1922		190	158.8			154.1	158	332	319	34182
1923		189	158.9			151.8	162	431	394	x16620
1924		192	166.2	166.2	115.7	164.6	171	499	466	137.3 (c)
1925		202	159.1	160.9	112.0	159.5	161	561	479	141.8
1926		203	148.1	149.4	104.0	149.6	150	718		134.4
1927		203	141.4	143.7	100.0	144.2	143	630	585	137.6
1928	190.9	192	140.3	140.9	98.1	141.9	141	634	595	140.0
1929	194.1	186	136.5	132.8	92.4	134.4		623		137.2
1929						(a)				
February	193.3	185	138.4	137.3	95.6	141.3	138.7	652	599	139.3
March	198.0	189	140.1	138.1	96.1	141.8	138.9	653	616	139.6
April	193.1	185	138.8	135.0	94.0	137.1	135.5	640	621	137.1
May	195.0	186	135.8	131.5	91.5	132.9	131.8	636	606	135.5
June	196.6	186	135.6	131.7	91.7	133.0	132.1	623	598	135.1
July	195.7	187	137.4	134.6	93.7	135.4	134.0	626	593	137.8
August	199.2	187	135.8	134.5	93.6	134.0	134.0	609	581	138.1
September	198.1	186	135.8	131.9	91.8	132.5	132.5	610	571	138.1
October	193.9	186	136.1	129.6	90.2	130.7	132.6	602	567	137.2
November	189.4	184	134.0	126.9	88.3	127.4	130.1	596	561	135.5
December	184.9	182	132.5	126.9	88.3	128.0	128.8	588	550	134.3
1930										
January		181	131.0	123.7	86.1	125.4	125.8	576		132.3
February		181	127.8	121.0	84.2	122.1	121.8	576		129.3

(a) Converted to 1913 base. (c) New Series. (x) 000,000,000's omitted. (d) End of Month.

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COUNTRY	AUSTRIA	SWITZERLAND	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	NORWAY	SWEDEN	DENMARK	ALBANIA	SPAIN		
Authority	Federal Statistical Office	Official	Ministry of Industry & Labour	Central Bureau of Statistics	Okonomisk Revue	Official	Gotabergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Department	Official	Official	Dir. General of Statistics
Number of Commodities	47x	71	130	48	100	95	47	160	118	23	74
Base Period	January- July, 1914	July, 1914	April, 1914	1913	Dec.31/13- June 30/14	1913	July 1/13 June 30/14	1913	1913	1927	1913
Date											
1913				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	233	232	157	163			172
1924	136	174.6	573	156	269	268	155	162			183
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
1929	130	141.2	851	142	148	153	134	140	150		
1929											
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
May	135	139.3	851	142	146	152	133	140	148	101	171
June	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	143.0	850	142	148	154	133	141	150	98	170
September	128	142.2	846	141	148	154	132	140	150	98	171
October	127	142.0	838	140	147	154	132	138	149	98	172
November	125	139.7	834	137	146	152	130	135	147	97	171
December	123	138.6	823	135	146	152	128	134	146	97	172
1930											
January	125	135.6	808	131	144	150	126		143		
February	123	133.0	791	126		147		131	140		

(a) Since January 1925 schilling prices. x Revised Index No. of Commodities changed from 42 to 47. (b) Average of 5 Months. (d) Fifteenth of Month.
 (c) New Series Federal Labour Department -- 78 articles.

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EUROPE

COUNTRY	ITALY	FINLAND		POLAND	RUSSIA	ESTHONIA	BULGARIA	HUNGARY	CZECHO SLOVAKIA	
	Milan Chamber of Commerce	Bank of Finland		Official	Commerce Reports	Official	Official	Dir. General of Statistics	General Bureau of Statistics	
Number of Commodities	100	Imports	Exports	139	73	70			126	
	1913	1913		1926	Jan. 1914	1913	1913	1914	1913	
	(b)								July, 1914	
Date										
1913	100	100	100			100	100		100	
1914			106		100		100			
1915			162							
1916			227							
1917			519							
1918			741							
1919			755							
1920			1387							
1921	531	517#	1329							
1922	508	529	1072		72.8	96	113		1334	
1923	512	536	915		85.9	169x	114	122	997	
1924	512	554	958		109.8	172	116	138	997	
1925	596	646	1052		125.4	183	124	140	1008	
1926	603	654	984	100 (d)	(c) 181.2	177	114	124	954	
1927	495	527	945	101	118.6	171	114	132	979	
1928	462	491	955	102	119.8	177	121	135	977	
1929	446	481	913	98	113.4	182	117		916	
1929					(e)	(f)		(h)	(g)	
February	463	498	971	100	117.1	178	121	3267 122.3	137 136 964	
March	461	499	978	100	117.3	179	123	3290 123.2	138 136 963	
April	455	493	984	99	116.5	180	120	3318 124.2	134 135 940	
May	452	485	969	98	113.0	181	118	3338 125.0	129 123 917	
June	447	480	953	98	112.8	180	117	3245 121.5	127 122 922	
July	440	477	939	97	113.2	180	118	3200 119.8		119 916
August	437	474	931	97	112.7	181	117	3141 117.6		114 902
September	437	472	929	96	111.3	182	117	3111 116.5		109 895
October	436	470	922	96	110.3	181	113	3174 118.8		111 888
November	431	464	917	95	112.2	182	111			107 876
December	425	459	913	95	109.2		112			107 126.1(d)
1930										
January	417	453	833	94	104.8		110		106	124.2
February	408	445		93			110			

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(x) End of Year. (h) Revised Index. (c) New Series, 1926; recalculated on the basis of the new zloty as from October. (d) Gold Index.

Average of eight months. (e) Average last week of month. (f) First of the following month. (g) Since Jan. 1929, new index.

(h) Since Nov. 1928, Gold Index.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

ASIA					OCEANIA		AFRICA		
COUNTRY	INDIA		CHINA	JAPAN	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA	NEW SOUTH WALES	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
AUTHORITY	Dept. of Statistics Calcutta	Labour Office Bombay	Bureau of Markets Shanghai	Bank of Japan	Commonwealth Statistician		Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Dept. of Statistics(Cairo)
No. of Commodities	75	43	147	56	92	100	180	188	23
Base Period	July 1914	July 1914	February 1913	October 1899	1911	1911	1909-1913	1910	Jan. 1, 1913 - July 31, 1914
Date									
1913			100	100 (a)	100 (a)	100 (a)	1000 (a)	100 (a)	
1914	100	100		95.5	105.6	104.1	1041	96.9	100
1915	112			96.6	147.4	128.3	1171	107.1	103
1916	128			113.1	138.2	136.4	1259	122.6	128
1917	145			148.5	152.8	152.8	1432	140.7	176
1918	178	236		195.8	177.8	177.0	1685	153.1	211
1919	196	222		235.9	138.9	191.4	1761	164.8	231
1920	201	216	152.0	259.4	277.9	229.2	2067	223.3	316
1921	178	199	150.2	200.4	174.9	179.1	1919	160.4	173
1922	176	187	145.5	195.8	161.6	164.8	1645	128.4	146
1923	172	181	156.4	199.1	178.7	176.3	1579	126.6	132
1924	173	182	153.9	206.5	173.3	171.6	1648	128.7	143
1925	159	163	159.4	201.7	169.5	170.1	1609	127.6	152
1926	148	149	164.1	178.9	168.4	167.9	1536	123.3	132
1927	148	147	170.4	169.8	167.0	168.6	1461	124.2	121
1928	145		160.7	170.9	164.7	163.4	1474	120.7	120
1929	141		163.7	166.2	165.7		1471		115
1929									
February	144	149	162.4	171.0	163.4	168.7	1464		122
March	143	147	164.2	173.0	164.7	170.0	1464		123
April	140	144	161.2	170.2	165.3	171.2	1464	116.6	120
May	139	141	161.7	168.6	164.0	166.7	1465		114
June	138	143	162.6	167.6	165.3	167.1	1466		108
July	142	145	162.7	166.0	166.6	168.6	1475	114.6	109
August	143	146	164.7	165.1	166.9	172.5	1481		112
September	143	147	167.1	164.4	170.8	175.7	1482		113
October	140	146	168.0	163.4	168.4		1480	113.4	115
November	137	143	164.7	159.6	165.8		1470		112
December	134	141	164.7	154.9	161.8		1461		110
1930									
January			169.6	152.2	158.0		1460	107.3	109
February							1470		

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(a) Converted to 1913 base. (b) End of Month. (c) Last Wednesday of Month. (d) Fifteenth of Month.

INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

COUNTRY		CANADA		UNITED STATES		GREAT BRITAIN		FRANCE		BELGIUM	HOLLAND
Nature of Index	Dominion Bureau of Stats.	General Retail Index (Foods, fuel, Clothing, Rent Sundries)	Foods Bureau of Labor Statistics	National Industrial Conference Board	Food	Cost of Living	Foods Cities of more than 10,000 inhabitants	13 Articles 11 Foods, Paris	Cost of Living	Cost of Living 56 items 59 localities	Foods 10 Towns
Base Period	1926	1926	1913	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1st. half of 1914	April 1914	1921-1925
1913	(3)	(3)	100								
1914	68.9	66.0	102.4					100	100	100	
1914 July				100 July	100	100	100	120 July			
1915	69.5	67.3	101.3	105.5 "	131	125	123	129 "			
1916	77.5	72.5	113.7	108.7 "	160	148	142	183 "			
1917	100.0	85.6	146.4	131.3 "	202	180	184	206 "			
1918	114.6	97.4	168.3	152.2 "	218	210	245 Aug.	261 "	238 (1)		
1919	122.5	107.2	185.9	172.2 "	217	215	290 "	261 "			
1920	141.1	124.2	203.4	204.5 "	262	255	390 "	373 "	341	455	
1921	107.9	109.2	153.3	163.1 "	226	222	352 "	306 "	307	392	
1922	91.4	100.0	141.6	155.6 "	175	181	313 "	297 "	302 June	374	102
1923	92.1	100.0	146.2	161.9 "	165	171	351 "	321 "	334 "	428	93
1924	90.7	98.0	145.9	161.7 "	164	171	401 "	360 "	366 "	501	94
1925	94.7	99.3	157.4	168.7 "	168	173	451 "	221 "	390 "	518	95
1926	100.0	100.0	160.6	166.0 "	161	170	610 "	574 "	485 "	618	91
1927	98.1	98.5	155.4	162.2 "	156	164	553 "	557 "	525 "	786	89
1928	98.6	98.1	154.3	161.9 "	156	165	109 "(2)	111 "(2)	105 "(2)	819	91
1929					153	163	118	123	113		90
1929											
March	100.0	99.5	153.0	159.8	150	162		607 123	547 111	862	91
April	98.1	98.9	151.6	159.3	149	161		615 125		860	89
May	97.9	99.2	153.3	159.4	147	160	583 118(2)	626 127		864	89
June	97.8	99.1	154.8	160.0	149	161		624 127	556 113	867	89
July	98.5	99.4	158.5	161.6	153	163		606 123		874	89
August	100.2	101.1	160.2	162.9	154	164	582 118	606 123		879	90
September	103.6	100.9	160.8	163.2	156	165		602 122	555 113	889	89
October	103.2	101.1	160.5	163.4	159	167		612 124		894	90
November	104.3	101.5	159.7	163.0	159	167		618 125		897	90
December	104.8	101.6		162.0	157	166		614 125	565 115	897	
1930											
January	106.5	102.2		160.4	154	164		609 124		895	
February	106.0	101.9		158.8	150	161		598 121		890	
March	104.8	101.5									

(1) First half of year.

(2) Since date of stabilization, gold index.

(3) Recalculated on 1926 base.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES											
COUNTRY	NORWAY			SWEDEN		GERMANY		AUSTRIA	SPAIN	ITALY	SWITZERLAND
Nature of Index	Food 30 Towns	Cost of Living	Cost of Living	51 Articles (44 foods) 49 Towns	Cost of Living 72 Towns	Food 72 Towns	Cost of Living Vienna	Food Vienna	Food Madrid	Cost of Living Milan	Cost of Living (Official) Federal Labour Office
Base Period	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1913 k914	Oct.1913 July, 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1914	Jan.-June 30,1914.	June 1914
Date								(4)			
1913											
1914					100 July	100 July		100	100	100	100
1914 July	100	100	100	100			100				
1915	123 July	117 June		124 July			160		108		
1916	153 "	146 "	130 June	142 "			340		116		
1917	203 "	190 "	159 "	181 "			671		125		
1918	271 "	253 "	219 "	261 "			1162		154	286 July	204 July
1919	290 "	275 "	257 "	310 "			2490		174	280 "	222 "
1920	319 "	307 "	270 "	297 "	1065 July		5100		190	441 "	224 "
1921	292 "	294 "	236 "	232 "	1250 "		9972	(5)57900	189	494 "	200 "
1922	233 "	251 "	190 "	179 "	5392 "		263700	328236	181	488 "	164 "
1923	218 "	238 "	174 "	160 "	3765100 "	(1)	(2) 76	1291100	177	487 "	164 "
1924	248 "	249 "	171 "	159 "	116.0 "	131.6 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 "	160 "
1928	173 "	193 "	172 "	157 "	152.6 "	154.1 "	108	119	176 "	143 "(3)	161 "
1929	157 "	180 "	169 "	151 "	154.4 "	155.7 "	112	123	181 "	148 "	161 "
1929											
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	182		151	154.0	155.0	113	124	178	146	162
September	160	180		151	153.6	154.2	113	122	178	147	163
October	160	180	170	150	153.5	153.8	113	122	179	149	163
November	159	180		148	153.0	153.0	113	122	181	149	162
December	157	179		147	152.6	152.5	113	122	181	150	162
1930											
January	156	178	167	145	151.6	150.2	113	123		150	161
February	154	177			150.3	147.9	112	120		148	160

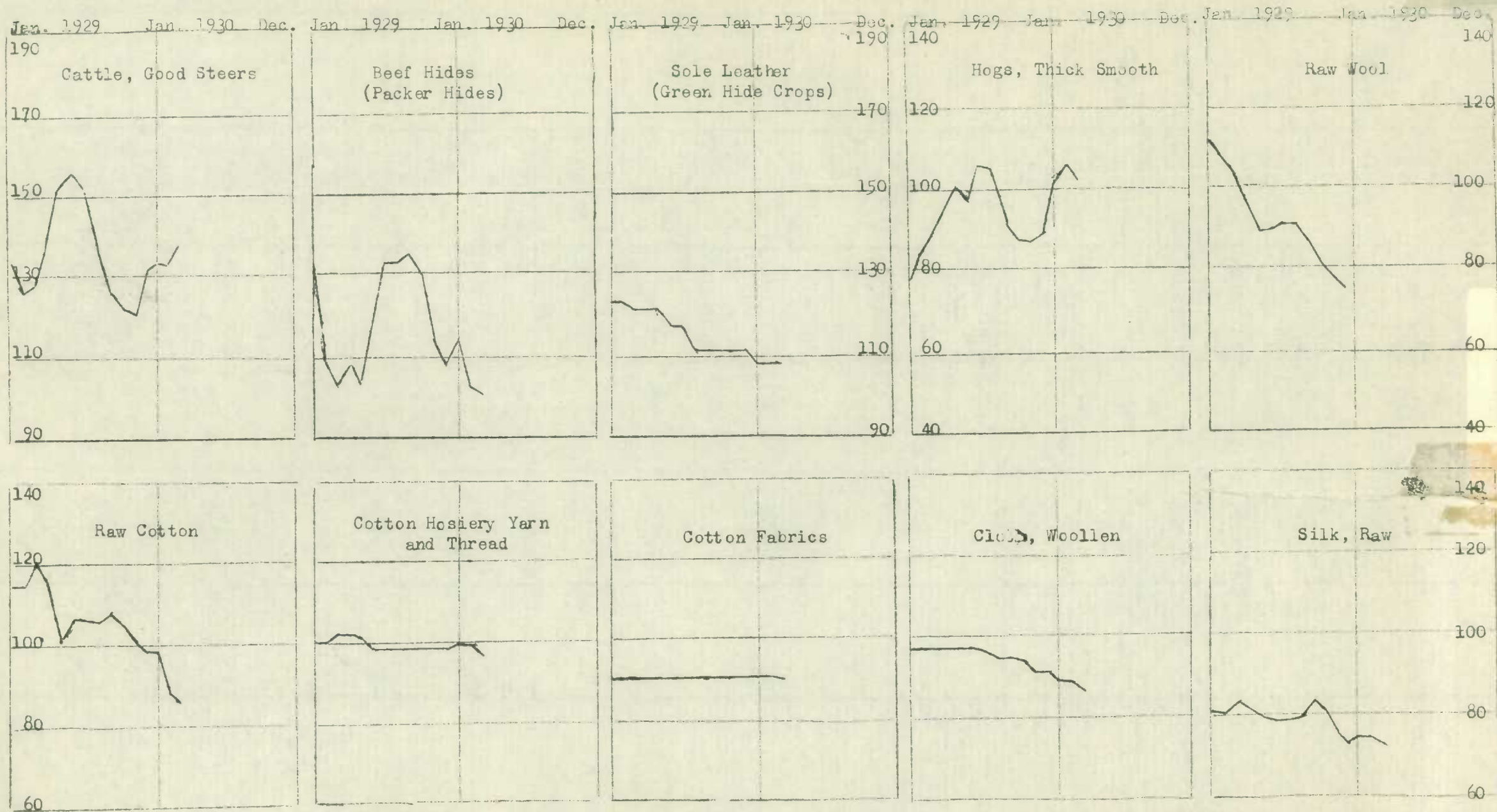
(1) Gold Mark Prices. (2) Gold Index since 1926 new series. (3) Since date of stabilization gold index. (4) Since 1926 new index.

(5) December.

INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

	BULGARIA		HUNGARY		FINLAND		POLAND		ROUMANIA	AUSTRALIA	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 12 Towns	Food 12 Towns	Cost of Living Budapest	Food Budapest	Cost of Living 21 Towns	Food 21 Towns	Cost of Living Warsaw	Food Warsaw	Cost of Living Entire Country	Food and Groceries 46 commodities 30 Towns	59 Foods 26 Towns	Cost of Living	Cost of Living Cairo
Base Period	1914	1914	1913	1913	Jan.-June 1914	Jan.-June 1914	Jan. 1914	Jan. 1914	1914	1911	1909-13	1914	Jan. 1913 July 1914
Date			(b)		(d)	(d)	(f) (h)	(f)		(i)			
1913			100	100									
1914 July	100	100			100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1915 "										131	112		
1916 "										130	119		118
1917 "					(a) 251					127	127	122	157
1918 "					(e) 588					132	139	131	184
1919 "	1.234	1.124			(e) 964					147	144	145	201
1920 "	1.858	1.610			931	1.013	11.173			187	167	179	237
1921 "	1.919	1.702			1.214	1.323	25.709	45.655	1.305	165	164	162	189
1922 "	2.619	2.257			1.142	1.144	51.7	74.7	1.633	146	144	135	167
1923 "	2.477	2.335			1.111	1.002	63.2	71.4	2.400	162	142	131	161
1924 "	2.833	2.650	(c) 116	145	1.154	1.052	127.2	189.1	2.660	149	148	133	158
1925 "	3.014	2.951	112	132	1.218	1.145	145.6	173.9	3.180	155	151	133	163
1926 "	2.886	2.760	103	115	154	144	178.1	207.0	3.340	162	149	131	159
1927 "	2.788	2.692	110	126	157	144	155.3(g)	143.1	3.900	153	144	131	151
1928 "	2.911	2.819	118	131	161	151	122.6	144.1	4.086	154	147	131	151
1929 "	(m) 108.6	(m) 109.0	119	127	160	146	123.4	139.2	131.4	160	146	131	149
1929										(k)			
February	108.4	108.2	121	130	161	149	127.7	153.0	131.7(m)	161	148	131	153
March	109.4	109.5	121	132	160	148	124.6	146.0	131.8	159	146	132	152
April	110.1	110.5	121	131	159	146	125.1	144.0	131.8	162	147	132	150
May	111.6	112.4	122	134	158	144	125.1	143.8	131.8	159	147	132	151
June	111.8	112.7	120	129	159	144	123.2	138.6	131.4	161	147	132	149
July	112.6	113.6	119	127	160	146	123.4	139.2	131.4	160	146	131	150
August	107.3	108.0	117	124	161	148	122.6	137.3	131.4	162	146	131	150
September	106.3	106.7	113	116	161	147	122.8	137.5	131.4	163	147	131	150
October	107.3	107.6	113	114	161	149	123.7	139.3	131.3	166	147	130	150
November	107.2	107.3	112	114	160	147	124.8	141.2	131.4	165	147	130	151
December	105.8	106.0	113	115	158	142	125.4	143.5	131.8	156	146	129	150
1930													
January			112	115	154	137	121.0	131.0	131.8		146	129	150
February					152	134		124.6	131.8				

(a) Excluding Clothing and Rent. (b) End of Month. (c) December. (d) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (e) January. (f) Since 1922, Zloty Prices. (g) Recalculated on basis of New Zloty (h) Last week of Month. (i) June. (k) 15th of Month. (m) Since stabilization-gold index.



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