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The collection and interpretation of statistics relating to the current trend $0^{\circ}$ production and of general economic conditions have in recent years been greatly : sterded. Statistics of current business, with forecasts based thereon, are now bing published by mumerous private agencies throughout the porld. Various governwints are also issuing periodical reviews of general statistics which give special a.tention to the problem of business trende.

In recent years Canada has taken its place amongst the leading trading and idustrial countries, thus necessitating a broad outlook on the part of those responsible for directing business policy. As the central statistical office of the country, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has met this requirement as follows:
(1) Through its various branches it has collected a large amount of current information which throws light upon specifict current phenomens. These data are issued separately to the public immediately they become avallable.
(2) In order to give a general conspectus of the situation and to view current developments in their relation to each other, a general sumnary of the more important Canadian statistics is given in the present publication.

In a country as large as Canada, the collection of certain information $1 s$ necessarily slow, but it is generally possible to issue a review like the present within the month following the end of the period to which most of the data rolate.

The statistics herein set forth are limited to those which throw light directly on the general economic trend. These are brought together in three main groups as follows:

Group 1. Statistics of general business factors, including those which most clearly indicate prevailing conditions, namely, (a) wholesale prices, Thich represent the visible resultant of the contending forces of "supply" and "demand"; (b) employment, or the current activity of what may be called the "industrial amy" of Canada; and (c) miscellaneous factors, such as production in representative fields, construction operations, trade movements, also bank debits, bank clearings and business failures.

Group 2. Statistics of the most significant banking and currency factors including the amount of demand deposits, the amount of notice deposits as compared with that of current loans, and the note issue in the hands of the gemeral cublic as compared -ith the gold and subsidiary coin available for its redemption.

Group 3. Statistics relating to investment and speculative factors, including the prices of stocks and bonds, complied in about 22 groups, the number of shares traded, call loans, etc.

The above presentation is suggested by inveatigation as to the order in which trends of related phenomena in the business world succeed each other, it having been observed that a pronounced trend under Group 3 is frequently followed by a similar trend under Group 1, and that in turn by a similar trend under Group 2. The Bureau of Statistics makes no attempt at the interpretation of the $6 e$ figures, its object being solely to place the materials requircd for interpretation readily at the disposal of the public.

In making such interpretations, the effect of changes due entirely to seasonal conditions must be duly considered. In certain of the charts, accordingly, the effect of seasonal changes has been eliminated by approved formulae. There are also added certain basic figures over a period of yearb, the purpose of which is to Enable the reader to measure the so-called "secular trend" of the country's progress, 1.e., the broad development that is taking place from year to year affecting the relative significance of current records. At the present stage of Canadian development it is difficult if not impossible to subject this trend to accurate analysis, but it should bo considered. Certain governing records of the United States and the United Kingdom are also included.

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Suggestions are invited as to additional records which might be thought useful.


# GENEFAL FACTORS IN THE BUSINESS SITUAMION 

IN CA1FADA, :3V 1926.

## Genoral Summary

Notwithstanding the rotarding influonce of a backward season, General business in Canada was more aotive during April than in the proceding months of the present year. The strength of the Canadian business situation was indicated by the decided increase in April of building contracts awardod and permits grantod, and the more active conditions obtaining in the primary irnn and steel industry. Industrial employment during spril was maintainod, due allowanco being mado fo: soasonal factors, at a higher levol than at any time since the post-war height of prosperity in 1920 . Levenue oarloadings, on the other hand, showed some recossion in April, Jue to a falling off in the movement of grain to intermediate markets.
$\frac{\text { Trend of Speculative prioe and Bank/Factors. }}{\text { (Seo Chart on opposite page). }}$
While the business situation, appraised from the standpoint of the physical volume of production, is most satisfactory, othor factors, estecially in the flelds of speculation and finance, should be given duo woight by tho otserver who desires a completo plcture of the oconomic trend. According to the latest statistics, the deposits placed at the disposal of the banks. showed an increase in Liarch, bringing the notice doposits to a reoord for all time. Wholesale prices showed an increase, while the goneral levol of common stook prices was lower in April than in the procoding month.

Speculation. - Due in part to tho liquidation on tho
Now York Exchance, speculative stocks displayed weakness in April. but tho docline was far less pronounced than in tho procoding month. As a matter of fact, an indox of the 25 best solling industrials weighted by the number of sales showed a slight gain in duril as compared with Narch but this result was due to the influanco of ono or two stocks thero being more deciines in tho Iist than increases. In view of the rolatively more stabilized condition in April, the indox of Canadian industrials in that month was still highor than in January last.

Wholesalo prices. As tho upturn of the index of wholesale pricos in fpril, reversing tho dovnward trond during tho first quartar of the yoar, was duo to the influonce of tho vogetable products group only, this dovelopmont should not bo rogardod as of much significance from a baromotric standpoint. Tho incroaso loses its signifioance whon it is remembored that six of tho cight groups moved downward, whilo ono was unchanged. The examination of several weokly indicos of wholosalo pricos in tho Unitod Statos conveys tho impression that pricos which are based upon the international market to a large degree, tond to be tomporarily stabilized at the present level.

Notice Deposits. Tho oontinuanoo of the upward trend of the notice deposits shown during the first quarter, is one of the underlying sources of strength in the prosent economic situation in Canada. It shows, on tho one hand, that depositors aro ablo to add to thoir holdings without being compollod to withdraw thoir savings for living exronses, and. on the other hand,
that amplo funds aro boing mado availablo to tho banks for tho support of businoss through current loans, Tho bond markot is also strongthonod through the purchaso of govornmont and municipal soouritios, and tho trading in stocks is facilitatod by tho oxtonsion of call loans.

## State of Canadian Industrios.

## Summarye- in indox of physioal volume of Canadian

 industry, inoluding acriculture, whs 137 in March as comrarod with 150 in tho preceding month. The decline was due chlorly to the drop in crop markotings, which was continued in hpril. Tho indicos for othor industrios indicatod that tho comparativoly high lavols of tho oirly months of tho yoar wore fully maintainod. Tho statistios for tho volumo of manufactures in April, which woro noarly comploto at timo of writing, indicatod that croator produotivity was attainod than in tho procoding month.Agriculture.- Intorest is now being direoted toward seoding operations, and the prospeots for tho new crop. Tho first crop roport of the prosent soason, issuod by tho Dominion Buroau of Statistios, indicatod that $13 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. of tho 862,000 acros sown to fall whoat, 1 ias mintor-killod, a largor proporition than in any yoar since 1918. In rogard to spring sooding of whoat in tho prairio provincos, good progross had bcon mado at tho ond of April, tho percontagos reportod as complotod in Lianitoba, Saskatchown and Alborta wore 68,45 and 34 respootively, as compared with 60, 32 and 23 at tho samo date in 1925.

The receipts of grain at the intermediate markets showed considerable decine in April, duo to large stocks accumulatod at these points and tho resulting congustion. Tho index of agrioultural markotings, with due allowanco for soasonal factors, doclinod in April about 18 p.o. from the procoding month. This docroaso was brought about through downward changos in both tho grain and livo stock divisions, but tho doclino in tho grain markotings at tho Hoad of tho Lakos and at Wancouvor, was moro markod. Aftor adjustmont for soasonal variation, tho indox for grain markotings stood at 100 , as comparod with 127 in tho procoding month. Tho marketings of wheat woro lis p.c. of tho monthly avorago from 1919 to 1924, as compared with $141 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. in ll arch last. Grain pricos offootod considorablo rocovory in April, as comparod with tho procodine month, due in part to tho rooognition that tho canadian oxportablc surplus was lots than anticipatod. Tho avorago for No.l Lianitoba Northorn oash whoat was whl.57, as comparod with $\$ 1.48$ in liarch.

Ifvo Stook. - Livo stock markotings in tho stockyards show od a doclinc from tho high lovel reaohod in March. Tho absoluto doolino during April in cattlo salos was about 11,400 hoad. Hog rocolpts at stock yards and packing plants woro 201,835 hoad, as compared with 263,962 for the corresponding month of 1925. The total in the first four months of 1926 was 888,411 head, as compared with $1,899,295$ for the first four months of last year. That the deolinos are becoming more marked is borne out by the faot that while tho falling off for tho four months represonts 19.9 p.c. bolow tho oorrosponding period of 1925 , tho falling off during April was oqual to $23.5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. Tho inspoctod slaughtorings of livo stock also doclinod in April from tho high lovol of Maroh.

Tho walghtod indox numbor of tho prico of four olassos of livo stocis incroasod to 106.4 in April, as comparod with 104.6 in tho procoding munth. Pricos for cattlo showod doolines in somo classos whon comparod with dpril. 1925, but inorcasos ovor March last woro shom both at Toronto and Winnipog, tho quality of tho stock showing ovidonco of bottor fooding. Tho markot for hogs wis vory sitisfactory, with no ovidonco of any woaknoss dovoloping. Pricos voro voll abovo April, 1925, and almost 100 p.o. bottor than April. 1924.

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 ounces respectivaly，as comptrod with ：I7， 362 ounces of gold and 20,152 ounces of むi2vo＝さn liarこえ．

Manufacturing－Genorally speaking，manufacturing production Was groctor in Mpril than in tho precodiog month．While April data for fiour production and the output o automobiles wero not available a）timo of riting，the Fomaining items selocted to indioate the trend of manizacturing production collectivoly showed substantial im－ provemgnt．Tho woifhúd indos for yarcho basod on the monthly avorage for 1919 to 1924．Was 161 as comparod with i43 in the proceding month． mo inder of omployment in manu：actures at the first of hay was 91.3 as compaiod with 3G，6 it iing 1925．

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 yoa，mountiag to 935,211 ofr：玉s comparar vith 876,462 in 1925 and 927,053 in 1924．Iho a＂eragic woeiviy loadings in oach of tho first four months of 1925 wore，with tho orcoption of marcih，in oxcoss of the corrosponding months of l324．Whon a larger grain crop in the prairlo provinces was avai亡nb？for transportiotions

The gross oarnings of tho two largo railway systems during tho first fcur months were somewhat loss than in J．924，put groatly iroxooss uf tho corxispondinf periç of i925．In April tho rovenuos $0=$ the two systans wero $\$ 31,850,000$ ，as comparod with $\$ 29,763,000$ in April，1925，reprosonting a gain of 7 poc．

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Banking- - Tho notico doposits again shoro a substantial incroaso in liarch, ostablishine arothor rocora for all time. Tho total amount was | W |
| :--- |, 337,600,000 , Whioh cumparos vith Liarch 31st,1925, an inoraaso o? 5.5 poce Tho domand roposits also showod a substantial insrcaso in Liaroh, Incroasos woro also rogistom od in tho important itoms indioating rhoro tho fands of tho banks aro omployod. Tho currant lonns in Canada made an oncouraging advanoo, part of which, howovor, was soasonal. Whilo canadian aall loans advanood somowhat, tho invosimont holdings of the banks incroasod to $\$ 576,700,000$, as comparod with ${ }_{\$} 564,300,000$ at tho and of Eobruary. Tho opon markot transactions in this lino havo contributod to tho hardcning dendency of bonds and othor gilt-odgo soouritios apparont in rooont months.

Curroncy:- Substantial doolinos both in tho notos in tho hands of the pubilo and in tho gold hold for tho rodomption of such notos, woro oxperionood in larch. Tho roduction in tho notas in tho hands of tho public was confined to Dominion notos, tho bank notos in ciroulation showing a slight incroaso. Tho gold and aoin in tho benks and tho gold in tho contral gold rosorva, as usual showod Ifttio chango, but a substantial rcauction was medo in tho E̛old hold in tho Einanco Dopartmont against notes in ciraulation. Tho reduotion in the cold availablo for redemption was greater than in tho notes in the hards of the public, the percentage of notes to gold reserves being lot.l as compared with 112.8 at the end of Fobruary.

Snooulation.- Tho deciino initiated during waroh in the moro spoculativo stocks was continuod in April, but liquidation was moro modorato. A woightod indox numbor of 31 stocks lias 186.7 in Apri1, as comparod \#ith 289,6 in Zarch and 197.0 in Forruary. Tho indox of the four milling stocks showod the groatost docilno, whilo substantial docreases waro shown in all groups except "iron and steol products and construction". The roightod indier number of 25 bost solling stocks indicatod a doclinc durine tho first throo Hooks of April, but in tho fourth $\because o o k$ of April and tho socond wook of llay modorato advancos lioro rogistorod. Tho rosult of thoso rolativoly minor fiuctuations ras that tho indox otood at 162.1 in tho socond wook of Liay, 3 comparod with 165.6 in tho first $\% 00 \mathrm{k}$ of April. Tho indox of tho stocks of nino banks oxporioncod a docino of noarly ono point, whilo tho indox of lo publio sorvioo companios was slightly highor, owing to the influonco of liontroal powor.

Tho indox of 23 proforrod stooks rias 98. 2 in April. as comparod with 100.3 in tho procoding month, ill groups oxcopting food and alliod products oxporioncing doolinos.

Tho trading on tho exohangos again doolinod in April, tho sharos tradod on tho Lontroal Exohango boing 323,094, as comparod with 581,524 in miareh and 810,908 in fobruary. Tho call loans in Canada on march 31 showod an inoroaso as comparod with tho procoding month.

Invostmont.- Tho prico of Canadian bonds was woll maintrinod in April, as comparod $\because$ ith tho procoding month, tho indox of 18 konds boing 106.9 in both months. Supportad by the purchasIng of tho banks and tho growing rooognition of tho bottor socurity bohind Canadian industrial issuos, tho prico of bonds is now highor than at any othor time in tho post-rar period.

The sale of now issue bonds increased in April, tho total boine $\$ 60,411,163$ as comprorod :ith $\$ 27,408,744$ in wiarch. From January I to way 15 , tho salos wero $243,700,000$, ot which $\$ 124,-$ 300,000 rias sold in Canada and $1119,400,000$ in tho Unitod Statos. Trading in bonds on the Nontroal Exchango showod a slight incroaso, but in vior of tho oxtont of tho trading asido from tho oxchance, tho factor has lost muon of its signifioanco.

## Mnitod Stotos

The pinsicat rolume of business in the united states continued at high levelo 1n Apmil and tho oarly weoks of Lay. The
 been consistently in oxcess of the resords of 1925. In spite of the deciline in unfillod ordaxs, oporations in the iron and ste日l industry are maintained st high lovels, the production in pig iron showing an increase in hpril over procoding months, due allowance roing made for seasomal and lone term treyds. The notor industry is an excoption, $a s$, when the lisual adjustments are made, curtailment took place in recent months. According to the statistios furnished ty ons of the large manufacturors, retailer:s sales of new cars, allowing for seasonal variation, fell 12 p.o. from February to jaroh and 8 p.c. from Warch to April, and the manufaoturers are apparentiy adieribg to their avowed polioy of restricting output to actual market demand. There aro many evidonces of a highly competitire condition in the automotile industry. Tho business of some concerns is increas 1 i.s at the expenso of othors and e larger proportion of the better class is being sold than heretofore. Tho movement of ireight, as indicated by weekly orloadings, was malntained during April, and indeod sinco the keginning of the vear, at a pace somewhat in oxcess of normal, indicating statility in gonoral oommercial and industrial activity of all kinds.

Sncculation.- In spite of the gonerally activo oonditions obtaining througholit tho oouniry, spoculativo sontimont has bocomo prodomicantly boarisli. The average दaily closing pricos of 25 industriat stocks coclined from 158 in liarch to 145 in April, and tho closing avorage for liay 29 vas 144 . Tho settloment of tho British goneral striko ane the doolaratinn ef en oxtra dividond by Genoral Moto:s, did not matorially alloct tho marrot. Tho deolaration of a $2 C$ p.c. stork diridnni ent an increase in the cash dividend to \$3, 5C a. 3 ageinct $\$ 3$ pieviously paid, brought about a pigorous rally ir Hudson liotc_s, impariting strength to the general ilsto The rocognition thet ao ievoro regossion in general business is apt to occur immodiajely and tiat the crop outlook at the present timo is excellent, has relieved tho speculative situation for the presont.

Wholearo Prices - The commodity prioe situation is
potiapn more important than many other factors at presont, sinoe, furthor drastio $\dot{\text { foclines may make it difficult for business to }}$ resist a considerable slowing down. The Bradstreet index of wholesale prices, converted to the avoragुe for 1913, as a kase equally 100, was $1 \leqslant 0$ on Thay 1 . This compares with 156 on Docember l last, five consecutivo doclinos having been registered. According to several weokly indozes of wholosale prioes, there are some indioations that the general lovel of prioes are now tending toward a stable position. The fishor index for the wook onded liay 23 vas 152.9, as comparod with 150.2 in the wook of May 2nd. Decinnes in such oommodities as corn, hides, cotton and rubber hevo had much influence on all indices in the last four or five months. Cortainly, the most reoent movoments have been encouraging rather than otherwise, but furthor fluotuation in oomodity pricos will ke watohed with interost.

Interest fates.- The growing ease of money, causod in part by the lare derling in broke:s: loans, we: ovidonced by tho reduction in tho discount rate of tho qumoldi Tusorve Bank of Now York from 4 to $3 \frac{1}{2}$ por cent, effecive April 23. Prime commeroial papor wis cquotod at s学 to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cont during tho first three weeks of Apri.., and lator recucod to from 4 to $4 \frac{1}{4}$ por cent. Due correction being made for sozsona rariation, the avorage rato in april was slightly lower then tho averago for tho poriod from jamuary 1922 to Fobruary 2925.

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Tho dominatine factor in tho irmodicto situation in Groat Britain is tho oncl stiko. Altiongh the more denacing speotro of the ronoral strikc has bean oxoreisod by tine tact of air. Raldinin and tro cood sonso of tho English pooplo, the coal strik? is in itsozi a corinus blow to tho :0riving indistrios of tho country. borofor marots previnusly using gritish cual aro nov using American, and fritasin itsolf is importing unitod states cosl, and thems alnomally fincroising tho British oxooss of imports over cxports. The most serious offects of the striko, must, howovor, to the rusulting stoppages of work in othor industries for lack of pororg (a dospatch of liay 23 states that numorous klast furracos and stool concorns are idial, and from the trader 3 roint of viow, tho rodustion in tho purchasing powor of great namiors of consumors. Howovor, sinco tho collapso of tho gonoral siriko, it nocd not bo aprrolionded that tho coal strikn, unloss an unusually long itruftglo, vill sorinusly affoot canadian oxports to Grcat Britain, since thoso oxports aro mainly ossontial foci rroduats.

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May $28 \mathrm{th}, 192 \mathrm{G}$-1KHH.

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| 15,24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jomuery | 4,454 | 6,535, | 1,850 | 3,351 | 13.758 | 110,525 | 63,702 | 41,305 | 7,041 | 1,747 | 26 | 15,506 |
| Fobruery | $\therefore, 023$ | 21,245 | 1,811 | 2,257 | 8,111 | 112,310 | 60,2vú | 70,553 | 12,072 | 1,675 | 23 | 75,720 |
| Lurch | 5,365 | 11,584 | 1,715 | 3, 36 | 8.101 | 113,192 | 77,250 | 54, ,62 | 15,154 | 2,040 | 22 | 75,53: |
| ispril | 13,422 | 30,159 | 1,445 | 3,120 | 5:811 | 116,283 | 83.875 | 104,162 | 14,440 | 1,933 | 15 | 61,670 |
| ifay | 14,521 | 32,967 | 1,881 | ? 3 322 | 5, 4.5? | 118,500 | 34, 58.7 | 108,433 | 15,251 | 1,753 | 1.7 | 81,223 |
| Junc | 13,967 | 26,185 | 1,413 | 3.089 | 2,7.0 | 103,321 | 56,563 | ¢8,514 | 10,757 | 550 | 14. | 54,758 |
| July | 11,52, | 23,818 | 1,354 |  | 3,628 | 114,133 | 45,480 | 52,237 | 8, 615 | 1,107 | 12 | 88.773 |
| sugust. | 5,266 | 25, 65.5 | 1:426 | 2,881 | 2:510 | 114, 11 ? | 23,073 | 22,736 | 5,435 | 880 | , | 83,653 |
| Supteribor | 14, 883 | 22,506 | 1,737 | 1.840 | 4.326 | 208,100 | 23,202 | 18.005 | 6,548 | 1,351 | 6 | 55,533 |
| October | 11. 817 | 21, 067 | 2,143 | 2,215 | 7.920 | 113, 156 | $2 u, 626$ | 17.996 | 6,357 | 1,270 | 4 | 56,781 |
| Novombor | 10, $0 \div 1$ | 24: 514 | 1.703 | 3.020 | 15,765 | 111,703 | 22,554 | 22,744 | 5,562 | 1,431 | 1 | 75,312 |
| Docembor | 6,334 | 28,868 | 1,4,40 | 3,007 | 14,636 | 112,3+2 | 22,544 | 26,235 | 7,200 | 1,690 | 29 | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \div, 10 ; \\ & 53.681 \end{aligned}$ |
| $3525$ |  |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jenuiry | 5,433 | 8,935 | 1,698 | 3,207 | 14,658 | 121,420 | 28,302 | 27,126 | 8,301 | 1,565 | 31 | 55,542 |
| Fobruary | 5,782 | 11,048 | 1,55? | 2,862 | 10,333 | 115,624 | 29,506 | 37,221 | 10,779 | 1,693 | 28 | 70.351 |
| liarch | 8,458 | 13,353 | 1,663 | 5,262 | 12:581 | 126,267 | 63.532 | 107,605 | 13,014 | 2,005 | 28 | 88,552 |
| Sijril | 15,043 | 24,887 | 1,244 | 3,130 | 8,055 | 128,511 | 60,065 | 88,335 | 15,515 | 1,576 | 25 | 77,214 |
| iny | 15,256 | 34,052 | 1,015 | 3,432 | 8,849 | 130,013 | 63,204 | 100,250 | 18,351 | 1,888 | 23 | 106,533 |
| Junc | 14,652 | 33,229 | 1,235 | 3,765 | 6,313 | 124,209 | 45,883 | 63,140 | 14,249 | 1,784 | 20 | 100,437 |
| july | 12,638 | 22,175 | 1.340 | 5,275 | 4,158 | 121,664 | 20,946 | 22,471 | 11,155 | 1,845 | 18 | 114,822 |
| Lugust | 9,259 | 31,203 | 1,029 | 4,752 | 4.343 | 120,656 | 26,513 | 25,007 | 7,430 | 1,486 | 15 | 112,808 |
| Septonber | 9,932 | 2\%,746 | 1,601 | 2,692 | 5,755 | 124,704 | 34,609 | 37,054 | 10,360 | 2,480 | 12 | 85, 326 |
| October | 11,060 | 29,648 | 2,308 | 4,030 | 10,585 | 137,506 | 74, 013 | 708,868 | 13,521 | 1,654 | 10 | 51.513 |
| Novernber | 7,696 | 46,573 | 2,127 | 3,336 | 15,649 | 131,147 | 68,535 | 73,205 | 8,741 | 2,237 | 7 | 78,5u1 |
| December | 7,152 | 12,675 | 1,736 | 5,031 | 19,371 | 136,583 | 54,889 | 62,353 | 7,458 | 1,728 | $\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 31 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 57,191 \\ 72,305 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| 1526 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jermary | 4,605 | 12,669 | 1,422 | 4,901 | 15,20\% | 130,683 | 56,644 | 68,533 | 11,252 | 2,510 | 30 | 57,080 |
| Fobruary | 7,104 | 13,478 | 1,440 | 4,178 | 14,590 | 135,663 | 45, 74,6 | 53,157 | 15,855 | 3,283 | 27 | 74,005 |
| Lisrch | 10,538 | 19,779 | 1,609 | 4,658 | 11.291 | 154,093 | 53,251 | 58,765 | 18,273 | 3,347 | 27 | 77,354 |
| $\therefore$ ril | 18,989 | 37,252 |  | 3,617 | 7.380 | 151,735 | 67,607 | 79,936 |  |  | 24 | 71,624 |



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| IT, $\frac{1}{54}$ |  |  |  | 116:2 | 123.4 | 92.6 | 112.8 | 124.2 | 70.8 | 108.5 | 195.5 | 137.4 |
| Jizuas y Fenruary | 150.2 178.4 | 164.1 186.3 | 116.4 117.1 | 126.0 | 123.4 | 125.0 | 128.6 | 136.3 | 163.4 | 120.7 | 115.1 | 116.4 |
| Fencuary Harch | 147.0 | 155.6 | 122.3 | 130.6 | 125.6 | 145.5 | 129:0 | 1305.6 | 74.8 | 112.0 | 11.5 .6 | d8. 2 |
| Aprii | 174.3 | 188.0 | 135.0 | 125.5 | 127.6 | 136.5 | 123.1 | 130.6 | 111.2 | 114.5 | 122.2 | 66.2 |
| Wray | 355.9 | 166.8 | $12 \div 6$ | 133.0 | 131.5 | 137.9 | 124.1 | 122.6 | 104.7 | 115.7 | 120.2 | 65.8 |
| Juno | 198.4 | 226.7 | 126.0 | 113.1 | 121.0 | 87.4 | 114.5 | 117.0 | 135.0 | 107.9 | 117.1 | 56.1 |
| July | 154.1 | 171.5 | 104.9 | 110.4 | 117.5 | 87.0 | 108.8 | 119.1 | 100.0 | 206.2 | 105.4 | 54.6 |
| Augillat | 56.5 | 38.8 | 10\%. 4 | 100.5 | $112 . \frac{1}{6}$ | 61.4 | 103.0 | 117.5 | 111.4 | 100.7 | 96.8 | 72.1 |
| Senterstar | 103.9 | 101.8 | 109.5 | 103.5 | 116.6 | 60.4 | 105.1 | 114.6 | 102.9 | 102.7 | 92.4 | 67.0 |
| actiober | 109.3 | $313 . t^{2}$ | 97.5 | 108.3 | 120.5 | 68.0 | 112.5 | 12?.8 | $101 . \mathrm{C}$ | 10\%.4 | 90.8 | 116.5 |
| Novambur | 127.9 | 128.4 | 127.8 | 111.7 | 124.9 | 68.5 | 319.5 | 121.3 | 248.9 | 111.4 | 97.8 | 121.5 |
| December | 88.0 | 75.8 | 123.2 | 201.2 | 108.5 | 77.3 | 115.1 | 126.8 | lEf.6 | 109.1 | 99.0 | 109.6 |
| $\frac{19}{\operatorname{Ton}} \leq 5$ | 91.3 | $7 \% .3$ | 130.6 | 117.7 | 129.0 | 80.5 | 11\%.0 | 132.3 | 100.4 | i14.7 | 112.2 | $15 ; .5$ |
| Fobiuary | 157.8 | 148.7 | 123.0 | 118.7 | 121.9 | 108.0 | 117.6 | 149.3 | 87.5 | 115. t | 114.6 | 117.5 |
| isurch | 143.5 | 149.5 | 126.4 | 117.4 | 135.5 | 58.2 | 115.9 | 123.9 | 89.2 | 110.7 | 105.5 | 10\%.9 |
| Aricil | 140.5 | 145.9 | 125.0 | -118.9 | 131.9 | 76.4 | 115.1 | 137.2 | 93.4 | 111.5 | 113.5 | 74.7 |
| Luy | 85.3 | 74.9 | 115.2 | 124.7 | 139.1 | 77.2 | 116.4 | 143.2 | 11.3 .1 | 115.0 | 103.9 | -140.0 |
| June | (2.5 | 48.3 | 3.36.1 | 124.2 | 129.2 | 107.5 | 125.2 | 137.4 | 115.6 | 115.1 | 100.9 | 106.0 |
| J: 1 ly | 97.5 | 90.0 | 119.1 | 124.3 | 140.0 | 73.0 | 119.5 | 132.8 | 94.0 | 114.8 | 113.5 | 114.7 |
| Auguct | 6.3 .2 | 43.4 | 105.6 | 123.4 | 138.4 | 74.0 | 1.25.1 | 129.7 | 131.9 | 118.4 | 117.1 | 163. 6 |
| Soptembor | 471.4 | 5\% 5 | 112.5 | 120.5 | 131.5 | 87. 8 | 124.4 | 137.0 | 135.9 | 118.4 | 117.4 | 157.5 |
| October | 171:6 | 145.9 | 126.5 | $150: 9$ | 156.7 | 3.31 .6 | 138.5 | 133.8 | 14.3 .6 | 129.7 | 103.7 | 253.5 |
| Noverabor | 135.0 | 14.4.9 | 107.1 | 130.6 | 137.8 | 107.0 | 148.0 | 136.6 | 274.1 | 119.0 | 111.8 | 127.5 |
| Docombor | 152.7 | 173.6 | 116.2 | 141.9 | 179.6 | 102.0 | 135.6 | 1.41 .1 | 74.3 | 128.3 | 121.0 | 191.1 |
| $\frac{1926}{\sqrt{\operatorname{an} u} u r y}$ | 162.3 | 175.7 | 123.7 | 139.5 | 148.1 | 110.9 | 136.1 | 146.5 | 140.8 | 127.8 | 114.1 | 204.1 |
| Fotruary | 264.8 | 179.1 | 123.1 | 142.8 | 149.5 | 123.7 | 144.1 | 159.9 | 20f. 5 | 135.7 | 118.1 | 323.0 |
| March | 128.5 | 126.9 | 133.2 | 141.3 | 150.9 | 120.0 | $139 . ?$ | 164.9 | $106 . t$ | 129.9 | 114.0 106.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 229.3 \\ & 127.7 \end{aligned}$ |
| Mpril | 105.? | 99.6 | 123.4 |  |  | 232.3 |  | 165.6 | 160.6 |  | 106.8 | 127.7 |


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| May | 90.0 | 76.1 | 64.6 | 30.3 | 87.3 | 165.2 | 119.9 | 34.0 | 62.3 | 165.5 | 157.7 | 210.6 |
| June | 89.8 | 76.4 | 63.9 | 31.2 | 38.7 | 171.7 | 119.8 | 33.9 | -2.t | 162.2 | 157.7 | 212. |
| July | 90.0 | 77.1 | 54.5 | 32.6 | 89.4 | 173.0 | 120.3 | 33.5 | ¢€. 1 | 161. | 160. | 208 |
| Aucust | 90.3 | 77.6 | 64.7 | 35.6 | 90.5 | 174.1 | 123.1 | 34.4 | 65.7 | $1+5$ | 16.1 | 212. |
| S.ptomber | 92.3 | 76.8 | 63.4 | 34.1 | 93.1 | 176.0 | 125.3 | 35.8 | 69.1 | 112 | 167.7 | 217. |
| Detober | 95.0 | 77.9 | ¢3.6 | 33.7 | 93.5 | 184.1 | 123.5 | 35.6 | ¢8.4 | 153.4 | 172.6 | 228. |
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| December | 96.8 | 76.3 | 64.9 | 36.2 | 94.1 | 160.3 | 128.2 | 38.4 | 72.9 | 154.3 | 182.1 | 23... |
| $19 ? 5$ |  |  |  | 37.2 |  | 166.4 | 133.5 | 39.5 | 75.8 | 154.4 | 195.6 | 235.3 |
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| duril | 97.3 | 75.5 | 61.3 | 36.7 | 92.3 | 179.8 | 139.6 | 38.8 | 77.8 | 157.0 | 197.5 | 240.1 |
| May | 97.4 | 76.5 | 61.5 | 39.0 | 93.0 | 184.2 | 143.4 | 38.7 | 77.9 | 153.9 | 198.0 | 254.3 |
| June | 98.6 | 76.3 | 60.1 | 38.9.. | 94.3 | 192.2 | 146.3 | 39.2 | 76.2 | 158.2 | 199.8 | 258. |
| Ju1y | 99.5 | 77.3 | 60.9 | 40.6 | 93.8 | 194.7 | 150.9 | 38.8 | 74.9 | 159.7 | 210.0 | 265 |
| diugust | 100.4 | 79.4 | 61.6 | 42.9 | 95.0 | 206.1 | 161.8 | 40.2 | 78.0 | 169.1 | 222.7 226.8 | 273.3 280.4 |
| Soptember | 103.5 | 80.7 | 62.4 | 42.0 | 95.6 | 208.8 | 163.4 | 41.1* | 76.6 | 16.4 .7 | 226.8 | 280. ${ }^{\text {285. }}$ |
| Octobar | 105.9 | 82.0 | ¢ 3.9 | 40.8 | 95.3 | 213.1 | 171.6 | 42.9 | 74.2 | 164.2 | 224.9 | 283 |
| ivovember | 106.7 | 81.4 | 63.8 | 41.2 | 94.9 | 209.0 | 171.0 | 43.2 | 72.2 | 165.8 | 224.5 | 283.1 |
| Dacombor | 106.9 | 81.3 | ¢2.8 | 41.2 | 95.8 | 214.2 | 175.5 | 44.7 | $70 . t$ | 182.8 | $222 . t$ | 287.1 |
| 1926 |  |  |  |  |  | 216.0 | 185.6 | 44.7 | 70.2 | 189.7 | 235.0 | 294.1 |
| Jehuary | 107.7 | 82.6 85.8 | 64.2 | 41.7 42.3 | 95.3 95.1 | 216.0 220.7 | 187.0 | 44.6 | 75.2 | 198.6 | 240.9 | 296.9 |
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