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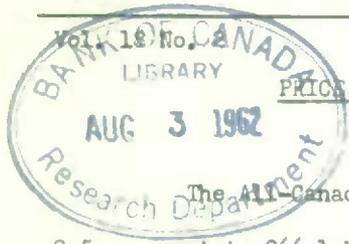
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PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

APRIL 1962 (1935-39 = 100)

The All-Canada Composite Price Index of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers advanced 2.5 per cent to 266.1 between January and April, mainly as a result of the seasonal increase in farm wage rates. A year ago the index stood at 260.6. Exclusive of Living Component the index rose 3.5 per cent to 291.6 in April, 2.4 per cent above the index of April 1961.

The All-Canada Farm Wage Rate Index increased 9.2 per cent, from 537.9 in January to 587.4 in April, and was primarily responsible for the movement in the total Index. The Eastern Farm Wage Rate series rose 1.5 per cent, from 549.8 to 558.1, and the Western series climbed 20.7 per cent from 521.0 to 629.1.

The Equipment and Materials Index moved up 0.9 per cent from 233.6 in January to 235.8 in April reflecting regional percentage increases of 1.2 in the East and 0.7 in the West. Sub-group changes included increases of 3.9 per cent for Compounded Fertilizer, 2.2 per cent for Feed, 2.7 per cent for Seed and 1.6 per cent for Hardware, while Farm Machinery and Binder Twine remained unchanged.

The All-Canada Farm Family Living Component Index advanced to 228.0 in April, a rise of 0.7 per cent for the three month period. Indexes for five of the six sub-groups increased including Health Maintenance up 2.3 per cent and Household Equipment up 1.1 per cent. The index for Food remained steady at 243.2.

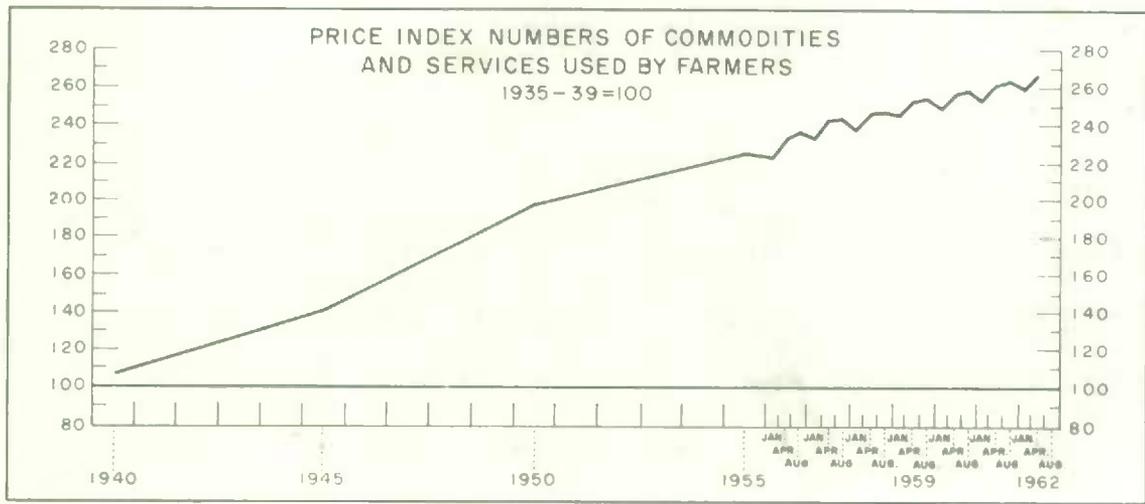


TABLE 1. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Composite Index Exclusive of Living Component (a)	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates (a)	Farm Wage Rates	Farm Family Living	Composite Index Inclusive of Living Component (a)
ALL CANADA						
1926	130.6	119.9	135.5	164.5	121.1	126.8
1939	99.3	95.7	101.1	110.3	99.5	99.4
1959	269.5	219.1	204.7	538.2	220.1	249.8
1960	276.7	222.7	214.5	555.3	221.7	254.8
1961	282.2	226.7	220.6	566.0	224.2	259.0
1959 - April	273.0	220.2	204.7	554.6	220.0	251.8
1960 - April	279.0	223.4	214.5	571.7	221.6	256.6
1961 - April	284.7	226.6	220.6	581.0	224.4	260.6
- August	289.0	230.0	220.6	594.1	224.3	263.1
1962 - January	281.8	233.6	220.6	537.9	226.4	259.7
- April	291.6	235.8	220.6	587.4	228.0	266.1
EASTERN CANADA						
1926	129.5	122.8	128.4	151.1	120.2	129.8
1939	98.7	94.8	99.2	110.6	99.5	99.0
1959	273.3	215.1	201.3	524.1	219.2	251.7
1960	280.6	217.8	214.3	540.6	221.4	257.0
1961	286.8	221.9	223.6	550.2	223.7	261.6
1959 - April	275.4	217.3	201.3	527.8	219.3	252.9
1960 - April	281.9	218.8	214.3	544.0	221.3	257.7
1961 - April	287.4	222.9	223.6	550.3	223.8	262.0
- August	291.3	223.6	223.6	568.0	224.0	264.4
1962 - January	291.1	229.1	223.6	549.8	226.2	265.1
- April	294.5	231.9	223.6	558.1	227.5	267.7
WESTERN CANADA						
1926	131.8	117.1	141.6	183.5	121.9	127.8
1939	99.8	96.6	102.7	109.9	99.5	99.7
1959	265.8	222.8	207.5	558.3	220.9	247.8
1960	272.9	227.5	214.6	576.2	222.1	252.6
1961	277.8	231.3	218.0	588.5	224.7	256.5
1959 - April	270.7	223.0	207.5	592.6	220.7	250.7
1960 - April	277.9	227.9	214.6	611.0	221.9	255.5
1961 - April	282.0	230.1	218.0	624.6	225.0	259.2
- August	286.8	236.2	218.0	631.3	224.6	261.9
1962 - January	272.6	237.9	218.0	521.0	226.7	254.2
- April	288.7	239.6	218.0	629.1	228.5	264.6

(a) 1962 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.

TABLE 2. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS USED BY FARMERS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Farm Mach- inery	Build- ing Mater- ials	Gas- line, Oil, Grease	Feed	Com- pounded Ferti- lizer	Binder Twine	Seed	Hard- ware
ALL CANADA								
1926	97.6	114.0	127.7	136.4	129.4	184.6	130.2	104.0
1939	103.6	108.1	96.2	80.5	100.2	93.8	79.4	101.6
1959	248.4	325.6	155.9	202.7	188.1	219.1	184.8	233.6
1960	254.2	327.7	155.0	204.0	194.8	226.1	193.2	239.4
1961	261.4	324.3	156.5	210.9	194.6	241.0	195.8	242.0
1959 - April	248.9	326.7	156.1	207.5	188.0	216.8	187.5	232.5
1960 - April	255.2	328.4	154.9	204.4	197.1	226.1	193.5	240.2
1961 - April	260.8	325.0	157.4	210.6	200.4	248.5	187.8	241.8
- August	262.7	322.6	157.9	216.9	193.5	248.5	214.3	242.2
1962 - January	267.9	325.5	157.7	227.9	188.6	235.3	220.6	244.3
- April	267.9	325.6	157.6	232.8	195.9	235.3	226.5	248.1
EASTERN CANADA								
1926	97.0	114.0	136.6	134.9	129.4	184.6	121.4	101.9
1939	104.3	108.1	100.1	81.0	100.1	93.8	82.4	102.1
1959	252.0	300.3	177.9	200.1	189.4	219.1	181.7	224.5
1960	257.5	297.7	175.3	200.5	197.2	226.1	189.6	230.3
1961	265.5	296.5	176.2	208.6	197.4	241.0	190.8	232.8
1959 - April	253.1	302.0	178.7	205.8	189.3	216.8	185.1	223.3
1960 - April	258.6	297.6	175.1	201.1	200.2	226.1	192.3	230.9
1961 - April	264.8	297.7	176.3	209.6	203.9	248.5	188.1	232.7
- August	266.8	294.1	178.0	212.5	196.3	248.5	196.2	232.7
1962 - January	271.9	297.9	177.8	226.0	190.5	235.3	211.5	234.8
- April	271.6	298.1	178.4	230.4	198.9	235.3	215.2	236.0
WESTERN CANADA								
1926	97.8	114.0	122.6	141.6	129.4	184.6	137.5	106.3
1939	103.3	108.1	93.9	78.7	101.3	93.8	76.9	101.0
1959	247.0	352.3	143.2	212.1	175.2	219.1	187.5	243.9
1960	252.8	359.2	143.2	216.5	171.6	226.1	196.2	249.7
1961	259.8	353.6	145.2	219.1	167.5	241.0	200.0	252.4
1959 - April	247.3	352.7	143.1	213.4	175.2	216.8	189.6	242.9
1960 - April	253.8	360.9	143.3	216.3	167.4	226.1	194.5	250.7
1961 - April	259.2	353.8	146.5	214.1	167.0	248.5	187.5	252.1
- August	261.1	352.7	146.3	232.5	167.0	248.5	229.5	252.8
1962 - January	266.3	354.5	146.1	234.8	170.0	235.3	228.2	254.9
- April	266.5	354.6	145.6	241.5	167.1	235.3	235.9	261.7



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TABLE 3. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES

USED IN FARM FAMILY LIVING
(1935-39 = 100)

	Compo- site Index	Food	Cloth- ing	Fuel	House- hold Equip- ment	Health Mainten- ance	Miscel- laneous
ALL CANADA							
1926	121.1	134.0	136.5	125.3	107.7	95.8	102.3
1939	99.5	96.0	100.7	99.5	101.1	100.9	100.5
1959	220.1	236.4	239.8	214.9	251.1	239.1	128.5
1960	221.7	233.7	243.7	217.2	256.4	246.0	126.5
1961	224.2	238.6	244.0	218.6	260.5	249.8	126.4
1959 - April	220.0	236.9	238.9	215.5	251.0	239.4	128.1
1960 - April	221.6	231.3	244.2	218.7	257.4	247.0	126.4
1961 - April	224.4	239.2	243.4	218.8	261.0	250.8	126.4
- August	224.3	237.8	243.4	217.6	263.0	250.8	126.4
1962 - January	226.4	243.2	245.1	217.8	265.0	252.1	126.0
- April	228.0	243.2	247.2	217.9	267.9	257.8	126.4
EASTERN CANADA							
1926	120.2	136.1	134.8	119.5	108.0	95.8	102.3
1939	99.5	96.3	100.2	98.9	100.9	100.8	100.6
1959	219.2	240.4	240.2	193.4	244.4	239.0	129.7
1960	221.4	238.8	244.5	195.1	250.3	246.0	127.6
1961	223.7	243.6	245.0	192.5	255.0	249.8	127.6
1959 - April	219.3	241.2	239.4	194.4	244.5	239.4	129.3
1960 - April	221.3	236.4	245.0	197.1	251.0	247.0	127.6
1961 - April	223.8	244.1	244.4	192.3	254.9	250.8	127.6
- August	224.0	243.1	244.3	191.5	258.1	250.8	127.6
1962 - January	226.2	246.6	246.8	193.4	261.2	252.0	127.2
- April	227.5	246.4	249.0	193.2	262.4	257.7	127.6
WESTERN CANADA							
1926	121.9	131.9	138.1	131.2	107.4	95.8	102.4
1939	99.5	95.7	101.1	100.2	101.2	100.9	100.5
1959	220.9	232.3	239.3	236.4	257.7	239.1	127.3
1960	222.1	228.5	242.9	239.4	262.5	246.1	125.3
1961	224.7	233.5	243.0	244.7	266.1	249.9	125.2
1959 - April	220.7	232.6	238.4	236.6	257.4	239.4	126.9
1960 - April	221.9	226.2	243.3	240.3	263.8	247.1	125.3
1961 - April	225.0	234.2	242.5	245.3	267.1	250.9	125.2
- August	224.6	232.6	242.6	243.6	268.0	250.9	125.3
1962 - January	226.7	239.8	243.4	242.1	268.8	252.2	124.8
- April	228.5	240.1	245.4	242.6	273.4	257.8	125.1