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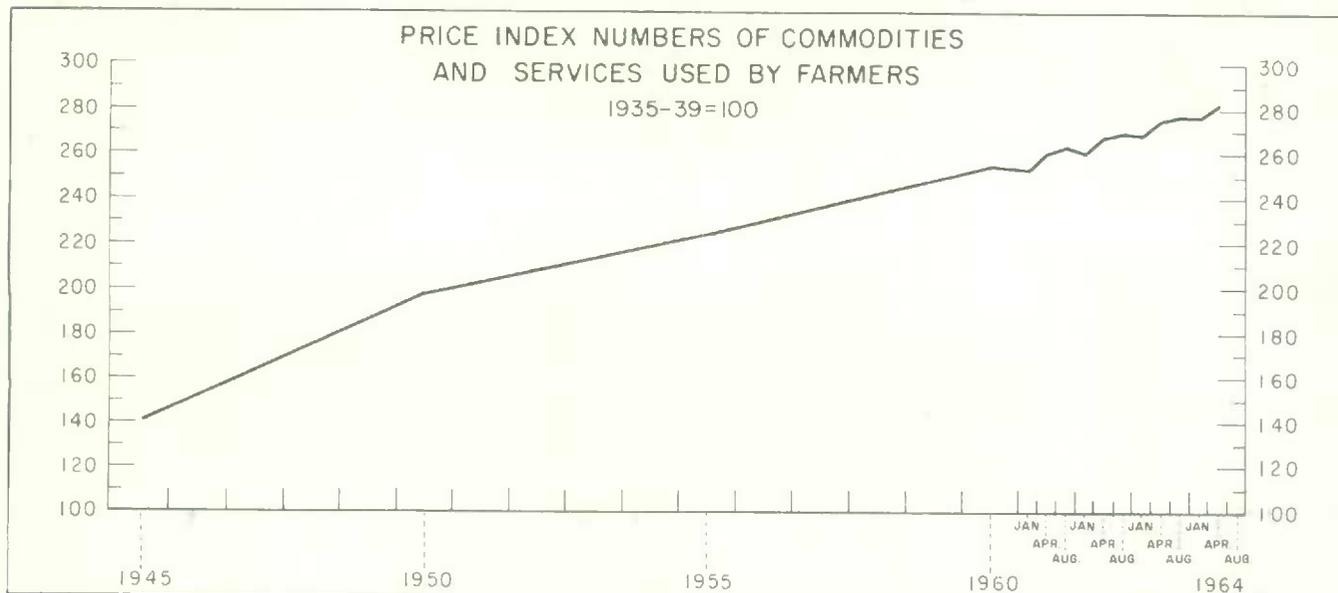
APRIL 1964 (1935-39 = 100)

The All-Canada Composite Price Index of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers advanced 2.2 per cent to 282.4 from 276.3 between January and April, largely due to the seasonal increase in farm wage rates. The April index was 2.6 per cent above the April 1963 index of 275.2. Exclusive of the Living Component, the index rose 3.5 per cent in April to 309.9, or 3.0 per cent above the April 1963 index of 301.0.

The All-Canada Farm Wage Rate Index increased 9.4 per cent from 587.8 in January to 643.0 in April. The Eastern index rose to 611.0 from 605.9 in January, an increase of 0.8 per cent, while the Western index climbed 22.5 per cent from 562.1 in January to 688.6 in April and 5.5 per cent above its level at 652.5 in April 1963.

The Equipment and Materials Index moved up 0.8 per cent from 242.2 in January to 244.1 in April, reflecting regional percentage increases of 0.8 per cent in both East and West. Sub-group changes included increases of 5.5 per cent for Compounded Fertilizer, 4.2 per cent for Building Materials, 1.8 per cent for Hardware, and Gasoline, Oil and Grease 0.3 per cent. Seed and Feed decreased 2.2 per cent and 0.8 per cent respectively, and Farm Machinery and Binder Twine remained unchanged.

The All-Canada Farm Family Living Component Index declined 0.2 per cent to 241.2 in April from the January index of 241.7. Decreases of 1.8 per cent for food and an 0.9 per cent for Miscellaneous Items outweighed the increases of the other index sub-groups.



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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
1962	290.7(r)	234.9(r)	228.0	576.1	228.5	265.8(r)
1963	298.6(r)	237.4(r)	239.2	600.6	236.6	273.8(r)
1961 - April	284.6(r)	226.4(r)	220.6	581.0	224.4	260.5(r)
1962 - April	293.0(r)	235.6(r)	228.0	587.4	228.0	267.0(r)
1963 - January	293.0(r)	237.4(r)	239.2	567.0	233.2	269.1(r)
- April	301.0(r)	238.1(r)	239.2	612.1	236.5	275.2(r)
- August	301.9(r)	236.8(r)	239.2	622.6	240.2	277.2(r)
1964 - January	299.4(r)	242.2(r)	239.2	587.8	241.7	276.3(r)
- April	309.9	244.1	239.2	643.0	241.2	282.4
EASTERN CANADA						
1926	129.5	122.8	128.4	151.1	120.2	125.8
1939	98.7	94.8	99.2	110.6	99.5	99.0
1962	296.0(r)	230.4(r)	234.5	560.0	227.9	268.8(r)
1963	306.3(r)	233.8(r)	249.3	587.3	236.1	278.2(r)
1961 - April	287.2(r)	222.5(r)	223.6	550.3	223.8	261.8(r)
1962 - April	296.3(r)	231.5(r)	234.5	558.1	227.5	268.8(r)
1963 - January	305.8(r)	234.2(r)	249.3	583.4	232.3	276.4(r)
- April	306.4(r)	235.1(r)	249.3	583.7	235.9	278.2(r)
- August	306.7(r)	232.2(r)	249.3	594.7	240.1	280.1(r)
1964 - January	311.4(r)	236.1(r)	249.3	605.9	242.5	283.8(r)
- April	313.5	238.0	249.3	611.0	241.1	284.5
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
1962	285.3	239.3	222.4	598.9	229.1	262.8
1963	291.0	240.9	230.5	619.5	237.2	269.5
1961 - April	282.0	230.1	218.0	624.6	225.0	259.2
1962 - April	289.7	239.6	222.4	629.1	228.5	265.2
1963 - January	280.2	240.5	230.5	543.8	234.1	261.8
- April	295.6	241.0	230.5	652.5	237.1	272.2
- August	297.1	241.2	230.5	662.3	240.4	274.4
1964 - January	287.5	247.9	230.5	562.1	240.9	268.9
- April	306.3	250.0	230.5	688.6	241.3	280.3

(a) 1964 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary.
 (r) Revised figures.

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
1962	268.1(r)	326.3	157.8	232.2	193.8	235.3	218.8	247.2
1963	272.9(r)	334.2	157.5(r)	232.0	201.6	268.9	205.7	249.2
1961 - April	260.1(r)	325.0	157.4	210.6	200.4	248.5	187.8	241.8
1962 - April	267.2(r)	325.6	157.6	232.8	195.9	235.3	226.5	248.1
1963 - January	272.6(r)	329.2	157.1	236.5	196.2	255.5	212.3	249.7
- April	273.1(r)	330.5	156.6	234.6	204.0	275.6	210.5	248.3
- August	273.1(r)	342.9	158.8(r)	224.9	204.7	275.6	194.4	249.6
1964 - January	279.6(r)	347.5	159.7(r)	227.4	197.9(r)	336.2	208.2(r)	250.3
- April	279.6	362.2	160.1	225.6	208.7	336.2	203.6	254.8
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
1962	270.1(r)	298.6	178.1	229.4	196.2	235.3	207.2	236.1
1963	275.3(r)	305.6	176.7(r)	232.0	204.6	268.9	201.8	239.6
1961 - April	262.2(r)	297.7	176.3	209.6	203.9	248.5	188.1	232.7
1962 - April	269.1(r)	298.1	178.4	230.4	198.9	235.3	215.2	236.0
1963 - January	275.0(r)	301.4	175.6	237.3	198.6	255.5	209.1	238.1
- April	275.4(r)	302.0	174.4	235.1	207.3	275.6	208.9	239.8
- August	275.4(r)	313.3	180.1(r)	223.5	207.8	275.6	187.4	240.8
1964 - January	281.5(r)	315.8	182.4(r)	226.9	199.8(r)	336.2	207.3(r)	241.3
- April	281.5	328.9	182.3	224.2	211.6	336.2	200.4	244.1
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
1962	267.3	355.5	146.1	242.2	170.4	235.3	228.5	259.6
1963	272.0	364.4	146.5	232.1	173.3	268.9	209.0	260.0
1961 - April	259.2	353.8	146.5	214.1	167.0	248.5	187.5	252.1
1962 - April	266.5	354.6	145.6	241.5	167.1	235.3	235.9	261.7
1963 - January	271.7	358.6	146.4	233.8	172.9	255.5	214.9	262.8
- April	272.2	360.5	146.4	232.7	171.9	275.6	211.9	257.8
- August	272.2	374.2	146.6	229.9	175.0	275.6	200.3	259.4
1964 - January	278.9	381.0	146.7	229.4	179.4	336.2	209.0	260.4
- April	278.8	397.4	147.3	230.5	181.1	336.2	206.2	266.9

(r) Revised figures.



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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
1962	228.5	245.0	247.3	218.4	268.6	255.9	126.5
1963	236.6	263.2	253.7	221.3	274.2	265.7	126.2
1961 - April	224.4	239.2	243.4	218.8	261.0	250.8	126.4
1962 - April	228.0	243.2	247.2	217.9	267.9	257.8	126.4
1963 - January	233.2	255.4	249.7	220.3	272.8	264.4	126.2
- April	236.5	261.4	254.4	222.2	273.8	266.4	126.2
- August	240.2	272.7	257.0	221.4	276.1	266.4	126.2
1964 - January	241.7	276.7	257.0	224.4	276.1	269.0	126.6
- April	241.2	271.8	257.3	224.6	278.6	273.4	125.4
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
1962	227.9	247.5	249.1	194.4	263.3	255.8	127.7
1963	236.1	265.5	256.0	197.2	269.4	265.5	127.5
1961 - April	223.8	244.1	244.4	192.3	254.9	250.8	127.6
1962 - April	227.5	246.4	249.0	193.2	262.4	257.7	127.6
1963 - January	232.3	257.4	251.5	196.9	266.3	264.2	127.5
- April	235.9	263.4	256.2	197.7	269.8	266.2	127.5
- August	240.1	275.6	260.2	196.9	272.0	266.2	127.5
1964 - January	242.5	282.8	260.2	201.7	272.0	268.9	128.0
- April	241.1	274.0	261.0	202.0	273.9	273.2	126.6
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
1962	229.1	242.5	245.6	242.3	273.8	255.9	125.2
1963	237.2	260.9	251.4	245.4	279.1	265.8	124.9
1961 - April	225.0	234.2	242.5	245.3	267.1	250.9	125.2
1962 - April	228.5	240.1	245.4	242.6	273.4	257.8	125.1
1963 - January	234.1	253.5	247.9	243.7	279.3	264.5	124.9
- April	237.1	259.5	252.5	246.6	277.8	266.5	124.9
- August	240.4	269.8	253.7	245.9	280.2	266.5	124.9
1964 - January	240.9	270.6	253.7	247.1	280.2	269.2	125.2
- April	241.3	269.6	253.6	247.2	283.2	273.5	124.1