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## PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

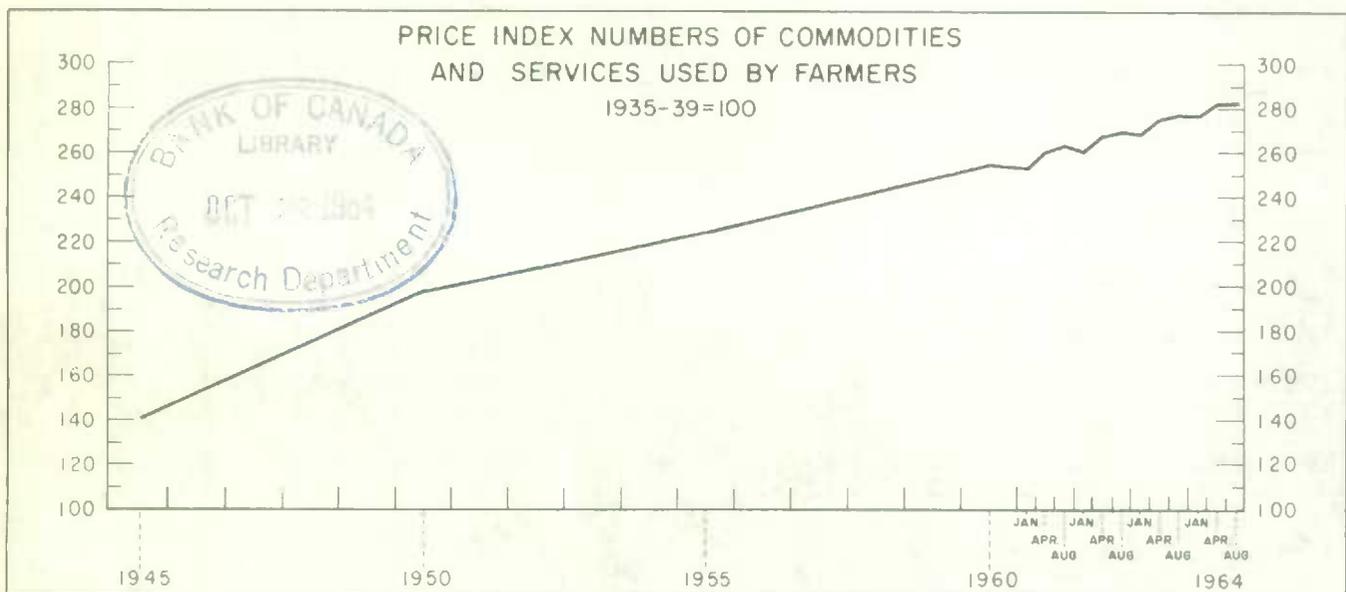
AUGUST 1964 (1935-39 = 100)

The All-Canada Composite Price Index of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers showed a slight upward movement of 0.1 per cent to 282.8 in August from 282.4 in April, and was 2.0 per cent above the August 1963 figure of 277.2. Exclusive of the Living Component, the index advanced 0.5 per cent to 311.4 from 309.9 and was 3.1 per cent above the August Index of a year ago.

The All-Canada Wage Rate Index increased 1.4 per cent to 651.7 in August from 643.0 in April. The Eastern index increased 2.2 per cent to 624.2 while the Western index moved up 0.3 per cent to 690.6.

The Farm Equipment and Materials Index remained unchanged at 244.1. Increases occurred in Hardware, Building Materials, Farm Machinery and Seed, and decreases were recorded in all other sub-groups except Binder Twine which remained unchanged.

The All-Canada Farm Family Living Component moved down 0.5 per cent to 240.0 from 241.2 between April and August and was 0.1 per cent lower than the August 1963 index of 240.2. Decreases of 3.3 per cent in the Food Index and 0.3 in Fuel outweighed the increases in the other components.



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TABLE 1. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

(1935-39 = 100)

|                      | Composite<br>Index<br>Exclusive<br>of Living<br>Component<br>(a) | Equipment<br>and<br>Materials | Taxes and<br>Interest<br>Rates<br>(a) | Farm<br>Wage<br>Rates | Farm<br>Family<br>Living | Composite<br>Index<br>Inclusive<br>of Living<br>Component<br>(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  | 234.9                         | 228.0                                 | 576.1                 | 228.5                    | 265.8  |
| 1963 .....           | 298.6  | 237.4                         | 239.2                                 | 600.6                 | 236.6                    | 273.8  |
| 1961 - August .....  | 288.9(r)   | 229.8(r)                      | 220.6                                 | 594.1                 | 224.3                    | 263.1  |
| 1962 - August .....  | 295.7(r)   | 235.8(r)                      | 228.0                                 | 602.9                 | 231.0                    | 269.8(r)   |
| 1963 - April .....   | 301.0  | 238.1                         | 239.2                                 | 612.1                 | 236.5                    | 275.2  |
| - August .....       | 301.9  | 236.8                         | 239.2                                 | 622.6                 | 240.2                    | 277.2  |
| 1964 - January ..... | 299.4  | 242.1(r)                      | 239.2                                 | 587.8                 | 241.7                    | 276.3  |
| - April .....        | 309.9  | 244.1                         | 239.2                                 | 643.0                 | 241.2                    | 282.4  |
| - August .....       | 311.4  | 244.1                         | 239.2                                 | 651.7                 | 240.0                    | 282.8  |
| 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  | 230.4                         | 234.5                                 | 560.0                 | 227.9                    | 268.8  |
| 1963 .....           | 306.3  | 233.9(r)                      | 249.3                                 | 587.3                 | 236.1                    | 278.2  |
| 1961 - August .....  | 291.1(r)   | 223.2(r)                      | 223.6                                 | 568.0                 | 224.0                    | 264.2(r)   |
| 1962 - August .....  | 298.7(r)   | 230.9(r)                      | 234.5                                 | 572.1                 | 229.9                    | 271.2(r)   |
| 1963 - April .....   | 306.4  | 235.2(r)                      | 249.3                                 | 583.7                 | 235.9                    | 278.2  |
| - August .....       | 306.8(r)   | 232.2                         | 249.3                                 | 594.7                 | 240.1                    | 280.1  |
| 1964 - January ..... | 311.4  | 236.2(r)                      | 249.3                                 | 605.9                 | 242.5                    | 283.8  |
| - April .....        | 313.5  | 238.0                         | 249.3                                 | 611.0                 | 241.1                    | 284.6(r)   |
| - August .....       | 315.3  | 236.7                         | 249.3                                 | 624.4                 | 239.8                    | 285.1  |
| 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 .....           | 290.9(r)   | 240.8(r)                      | 230.5                                 | 619.5                 | 237.2                    | 269.5  |
| 1961 - August .....  | 286.8  | 236.2                         | 218.0                                 | 631.3                 | 224.6                    | 261.9  |
| 1962 - August .....  | 292.6  | 240.5                         | 222.4                                 | 646.7                 | 232.1                    | 268.4  |
| 1963 - April .....   | 295.5(r)   | 240.9(r)                      | 230.5                                 | 652.5                 | 237.1                    | 272.2  |
| - August .....       | 297.0(r)   | 241.1(r)                      | 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  |
| - August .....       | 307.4  | 251.3                         | 230.5                                 | 690.6                 | 240.2                    | 280.5  |

(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<br>Mach-<br>inery | Build-<br>ing<br>Mater-<br>ials | Gas-<br>line,<br>Oil,<br>Grease | Feed  | Com-<br>pounded<br>Ferti-<br>lizer | Binder<br>Twine | Seed  | Hard-<br>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                  | 326.3                           | 157.8                           | 232.2 | 193.8                              | 235.3           | 218.8 | 247.2         |
| 1963 .....           | 272.9                  | 334.2                           | 157.5                           | 232.0 | 201.6                              | 268.9           | 205.7 | 249.1(r)      |
| 1961 - August .....  | 262.0(r)               | 322.6                           | 157.9                           | 216.9 | 193.5                              | 248.5           | 214.3 | 242.2         |
| 1962 - August .....  | 269.8(r)               | 327.8                           | 158.0                           | 235.8 | 196.8                              | 235.3           | 209.4 | 249.1         |
| 1963 - April .....   | 273.1                  | 330.5                           | 156.6                           | 234.6 | 204.0                              | 275.6           | 210.5 | 248.1(r)      |
| - August .....       | 273.1                  | 342.9                           | 158.8                           | 224.9 | 204.7                              | 275.6           | 194.4 | 249.5(r)      |
| 1964 - January ..... | 279.6                  | 347.5                           | 159.7                           | 227.4 | 197.9                              | 336.2           | 208.2 | 250.2(r)      |
| - April .....        | 279.6                  | 362.2                           | 160.1                           | 225.6 | 208.7                              | 336.2           | 203.6 | 254.8         |
| - August .....       | 279.7                  | 363.7                           | 159.8                           | 225.2 | 203.9                              | 336.2           | 203.9 | 258.0         |
| 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                  | 298.6                           | 178.1                           | 229.4 | 196.2                              | 235.3           | 207.2 | 236.1         |
| 1963 .....           | 275.3                  | 305.6                           | 176.7                           | 232.0 | 204.6                              | 268.9           | 201.8 | 239.8(r)      |
| 1961 - August .....  | 264.3(r)               | 294.1                           | 178.0                           | 212.5 | 196.3                              | 248.5           | 196.2 | 232.7         |
| 1962 - August .....  | 271.7(r)               | 299.7                           | 178.1                           | 231.8 | 199.1                              | 235.3           | 195.0 | 237.4         |
| 1963 - April .....   | 275.4                  | 302.0                           | 174.4                           | 235.1 | 207.3                              | 275.6           | 208.9 | 240.1(r)      |
| - August .....       | 275.4                  | 313.3                           | 180.1                           | 223.5 | 207.8                              | 275.6           | 187.4 | 241.1(r)      |
| 1964 - January ..... | 281.5                  | 315.8                           | 182.4                           | 226.9 | 199.8                              | 336.2           | 207.3 | 241.6(r)      |
| - April .....        | 281.5                  | 328.9                           | 182.3                           | 224.2 | 211.6                              | 336.2           | 200.4 | 244.4(r)      |
| - August .....       | 281.6                  | 330.5                           | 181.4                           | 223.3 | 206.8                              | 336.2           | 193.9 | 244.7         |
| 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 | 259.6(r)      |
| 1961 - August .....  | 261.1                  | 352.7                           | 146.3                           | 232.5 | 167.0                              | 248.5           | 229.5 | 252.8         |
| 1962 - August .....  | 269.1                  | 357.5                           | 146.5                           | 250.3 | 174.2                              | 235.3           | 221.5 | 262.2         |
| 1963 - April .....   | 272.2                  | 360.5                           | 146.4                           | 232.7 | 171.9                              | 275.6           | 211.9 | 257.2(r)      |
| - August .....       | 272.2                  | 374.2                           | 146.6                           | 229.9 | 175.0                              | 275.6           | 200.3 | 258.9(r)      |
| 1964 - January ..... | 278.9                  | 381.0                           | 146.7                           | 229.4 | 179.4                              | 336.2           | 209.0 | 259.9(r)      |
| - April .....        | 278.8                  | 397.4                           | 147.3                           | 230.5 | 181.1                              | 336.2           | 206.2 | 266.4(r)      |
| - August .....       | 278.9                  | 398.7                           | 147.4                           | 232.0 | 176.1                              | 336.2           | 212.2 | 273.0         |

(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-<br>site<br>Index | Food  | Cloth-<br>ing | Fuel  | House-<br>hold<br>Equip-<br>ment | Health<br>Mainten-<br>ance | Miscel-<br>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 - August .....  | 224.3                   | 237.8 | 243.4         | 217.6 | 263.0                            | 250.8                      | 126.4              |
| 1962 - August .....  | 231.0                   | 248.6 | 249.7         | 219.4 | 272.8                            | 257.8                      | 127.0              |
| 1963 - 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              |
| - August .....       | 240.0                   | 262.7 | 260.9         | 224.0 | 279.4                            | 273.4                      | 125.7              |
| 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 - August .....  | 224.0                   | 243.1 | 244.3         | 191.5 | 258.1                            | 250.8                      | 127.6              |
| 1962 - August .....  | 229.9                   | 249.6 | 251.5         | 196.7 | 266.3                            | 257.7                      | 128.3              |
| 1963 - 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              |
| - August .....       | 239.8                   | 264.8 | 264.2         | 200.9 | 274.3                            | 273.2                      | 127.0              |
| 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 - August .....  | 224.6                   | 232.6 | 242.6         | 243.6 | 268.0                            | 250.9                      | 125.3              |
| 1962 - August .....  | 232.1                   | 247.7 | 247.9         | 242.1 | 279.3                            | 257.8                      | 125.7              |
| 1963 - 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                      | 121.9              |
| 1964 - January ..... | 240.9                   | 270.6 | 253.7         | 247.1 | 280.2                            | 269.2                      | 125.2              |
| - April .....        | 241.3                   | 259.5 | 253.6         | 247.2 | 283.2                            | 273.5                      | 124.1              |
| - August .....       | 240.2                   | 260.6 | 257.6         | 247.2 | 284.6                            | 273.5                      | 124.4              |