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PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

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The All-Canada Composite Index of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers decreased 1.0 per cent from the revised figure of 283.9 in August 1964 to 281.2 in January 1965, mainly as a result of the seasonal decline in farm wage rates. The current index stands 1.4 per cent above the January 1964 level of 277.4. The index, exclusive of the Living Component, fell 1.1 per cent to 309.5 over the period August to January but was 2.8 per cent above the level of a year ago.

The All-Canada Farm Wage Rate Index dropped 4.7 per cent from 651.7 in August to 621.0 in January. The Eastern index rose 1.2 per cent to 631.9 while the Western index dropped 12.3 per cent to 605.4 during the same period.

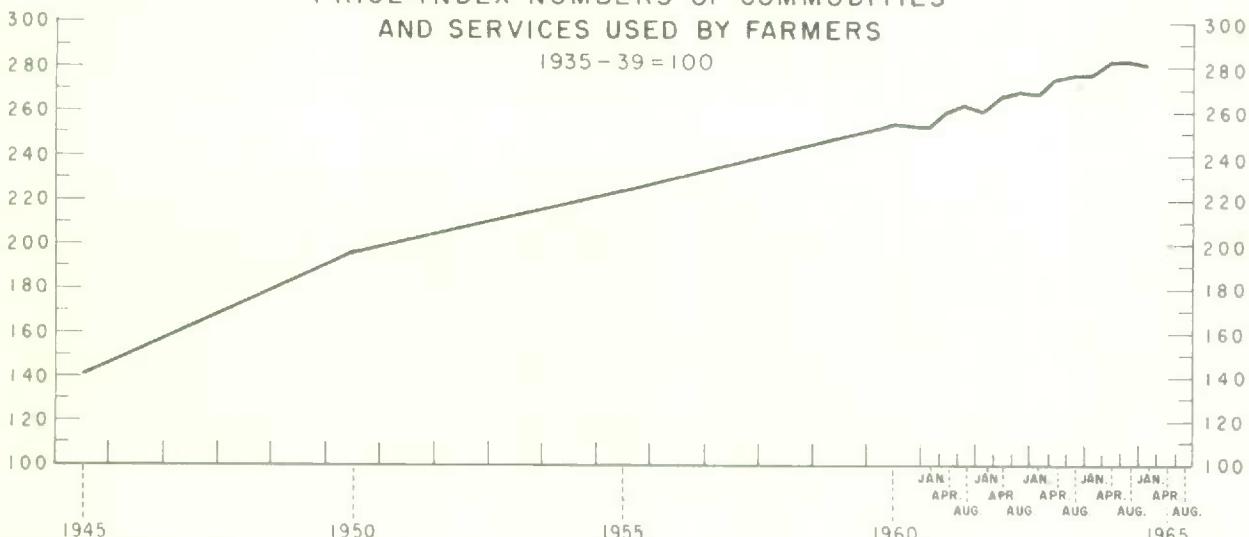
The preliminary All-Canada Property Tax and Interest Rate Index for 1964 was revised from 239.2 to 247.4 reflecting a revision in the Eastern component from 249.3 to 255.7 and in the Western component from 230.5 to 240.2.

The All-Canada Price Index of Equipment and Materials Used by Farmers increased 1.0 per cent from 244.2 in August to 246.6 in January. The index now stands 1.9 per cent above the comparable figure of a year ago. Between August 1964 and January 1965 the major changes in the sub-group indexes were as follows: Seed up 4.0 per cent, Compounded Fertilizer up 2.1 per cent, Farm Machinery up 1.9 per cent, Building Materials up 1.5 per cent, Feed up 1.1 per cent, while Binder Twine dropped 11.2 per cent.

The All-Canada Farm Family Living Component declined 0.5 per cent from 240.0 in August to 238.8 in January. Food was lower by 2.8 per cent, Fuel and Health maintenance rose 1.0 per cent and 1.1 per cent respectively, while no change occurred in Clothing and Household Equipment.

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

|                      | Composite Index<br>Exclusive of Living Component<br>(a) | Equipment and Materials | Taxes and Interest Rates<br>(a) | Farm Wage Rates | Farm Family Living | Composite Index Inclusive of Living 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  |
| 1964 .....           | 308.6   | 243.5                   | 247.4                           | 627.5           | 241.0              | 281.6  |
| 1962 - January ..... | 283.3   | 233.4                   | 228.0                           | 537.9           | 226.4              | 260.5  |
| 1963 - January ..... | 293.0   | 237.4                   | 239.2                           | 567.0           | 233.2              | 269.1  |
| 1964 - January ..... | 301.1(r)  | 242.1                   | 247.4(r)                        | 587.8           | 241.7              | 277.4(r)   |
| - April .....        | 311.6(r)  | 244.1                   | 247.4(r)                        | 643.0           | 241.2              | 283.4(r)   |
| - August .....       | 313.1(r)  | 244.2(r)                | 247.4(r)                        | 651.7           | 240.0              | 283.9(r)   |
| 1965 - January ..... | 309.5   | 246.6                   | 247.4                           | 621.0           | 238.8              | 281.2  |
| 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                   | 249.3                           | 587.3           | 236.1              | 278.2  |
| 1964 .....           | 314.7   | 237.0                   | 255.7                           | 613.8           | 241.1              | 285.3  |
| 1962 - January ..... | 293.0   | 228.7                   | 234.5                           | 549.8           | 226.2              | 266.3  |
| 1963 - January ..... | 305.8   | 234.2                   | 249.3                           | 583.4           | 232.3              | 276.4  |
| 1964 - January ..... | 312.6(r)  | 236.2                   | 255.7(r)                        | 605.9           | 242.5              | 284.6(r)   |
| - April .....        | 314.7(r)  | 238.0                   | 255.7(r)                        | 611.0           | 241.1              | 285.3(r)   |
| - August .....       | 316.7(r)  | 236.8(r)                | 255.7(r)                        | 624.4           | 239.8              | 285.9(r)   |
| 1965 - January ..... | 320.5   | 240.8                   | 255.7                           | 631.9           | 239.0              | 287.9  |
| 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   | 240.8                   | 230.5                           | 619.5           | 237.2              | 269.5  |
| 1964 .....           | 302.6   | 249.7                   | 240.2                           | 647.1           | 240.8              | 277.9  |
| 1962 - January ..... | 273.6   | 237.9                   | 222.4                           | 521.0           | 226.7              | 254.8  |
| 1963 - January ..... | 280.2   | 240.5                   | 230.5                           | 543.8           | 234.1              | 261.8  |
| 1964 - January ..... | 289.6(r)  | 247.9                   | 240.2(r)                        | 562.1           | 240.9              | 270.1(r)   |
| - April .....        | 308.5(r)  | 250.0                   | 240.2(r)                        | 688.6           | 241.3              | 281.6(r)   |
| - August .....       | 309.6(r)  | 251.3                   | 240.2(r)                        | 690.6           | 240.2              | 281.9(r)   |
| 1965 - January ..... | 298.4   | 252.2                   | 240.2                           | 605.4           | 238.7              | 274.5  |

(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 | Gaso-<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         |
| 1964 .....           | 279.6                  | 357.8                           | 159.9                            | 226.1 | 203.8                              | 336.2           | 205.2 | 254.4         |
| 1962 - January ..... | 267.2                  | 325.5                           | 157.7                            | 227.9 | 188.6                              | 235.3           | 220.6 | 244.3         |
| 1963 - January ..... | 272.6                  | 329.2                           | 157.1                            | 236.5 | 196.2                              | 255.5           | 212.3 | 249.7         |
| 1964 - January ..... | 279.6                  | 347.5                           | 159.7                            | 227.4 | 197.9                              | 336.2           | 208.2 | 250.2         |
| - 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 | 204.9(r)                           | 336.2           | 203.9 | 258.2(r)      |
| 1965 - January ..... | 284.9                  | 369.3                           | 159.8                            | 227.6 | 209.3                              | 298.5           | 212.1 | 259.2         |
| 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         |
| 1964 .....           | 281.5                  | 325.1                           | 182.0                            | 224.8 | 206.4                              | 336.2           | 200.5 | 243.6         |
| 1962 - January ..... | 269.4                  | 297.9                           | 177.8                            | 226.0 | 190.5                              | 235.3           | 211.5 | 234.8         |
| 1963 - January ..... | 275.0                  | 301.4                           | 175.6                            | 237.3 | 198.6                              | 255.5           | 209.1 | 238.1         |
| 1964 - January ..... | 281.5                  | 315.8                           | 182.4                            | 226.9 | 199.8                              | 336.2           | 207.3 | 241.6         |
| - April .....        | 281.5                  | 328.9                           | 182.3                            | 224.2 | 211.6                              | 336.2           | 200.4 | 244.4         |
| - August .....       | 281.6                  | 330.5                           | 181.4                            | 223.3 | 207.9(r)                           | 336.2           | 193.9 | 244.9(r)      |
| 1965 - January ..... | 286.6                  | 337.0                           | 181.5                            | 226.7 | 212.4                              | 298.5           | 210.0 | 245.7         |
| 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         |
| 1964 .....           | 278.9                  | 392.4                           | 147.1                            | 230.6 | 178.9                              | 336.2           | 209.1 | 266.5         |
| 1962 - January ..... | 266.3                  | 354.5                           | 146.1                            | 234.8 | 170.0                              | 235.3           | 228.2 | 254.9         |
| 1963 - January ..... | 271.7                  | 358.6                           | 146.4                            | 233.8 | 172.9                              | 255.5           | 214.9 | 262.8         |
| 1964 - January ..... | 278.9                  | 381.0                           | 146.7                            | 229.4 | 179.4                              | 336.2           | 209.0 | 259.9         |
| - April .....        | 278.8                  | 397.4                           | 147.3                            | 230.5 | 181.1                              | 336.2           | 206.2 | 266.4         |
| - August .....       | 278.9                  | 398.7                           | 147.4                            | 232.0 | 176.1                              | 336.2           | 212.2 | 273.2(r)      |
| 1965 - January ..... | 284.2                  | 403.4                           | 147.3                            | 231.0 | 180.0                              | 298.5           | 213.9 | 274.3         |

(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              |
| 1964 .....           | 241.0                   | 270.4 | 258.4         | 224.3 | 278.0                            | 271.9                      | 125.9              |
| 1962 - January ..... | 226.4                   | 243.2 | 245.1         | 217.8 | 265.0                            | 252.1                      | 126.0              |
| 1963 - January ..... | 233.2                   | 255.4 | 249.7         | 220.3 | 272.8                            | 264.4                      | 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              |
| 1965 - January ..... | 238.8                   | 255.4 | 260.9         | 226.2 | 279.4                            | 276.3                      | 126.8              |
| 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              |
| 1964 .....           | 241.1                   | 273.9 | 261.8         | 201.5 | 273.4                            | 271.8                      | 127.2              |
| 1962 - January ..... | 226.2                   | 246.6 | 246.8         | 193.4 | 261.2                            | 252.0                      | 127.2              |
| 1963 - January ..... | 232.3                   | 257.4 | 251.5         | 196.9 | 266.3                            | 264.2                      | 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              |
| 1965 - January ..... | 239.0                   | 258.8 | 264.2         | 201.9 | 274.3                            | 276.1                      | 128.2              |
| 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              |
| 1964 .....           | 240.8                   | 266.9 | 255.0         | 247.2 | 282.7                            | 272.1                      | 124.6              |
| 1962 - January ..... | 226.7                   | 239.8 | 243.4         | 242.1 | 268.8                            | 252.2                      | 124.8              |
| 1963 - January ..... | 234.1                   | 253.5 | 247.9         | 243.7 | 279.3                            | 264.5                      | 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              |
| - August .....       | 240.2                   | 260.6 | 257.6         | 247.2 | 284.6                            | 273.5                      | 124.4              |
| 1965 - January ..... | 238.7                   | 252.1 | 257.6         | 250.5 | 284.6                            | 276.5                      | 125.5              |