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PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

APRIL 1966 (1935-39 = 100)

The All-Canada Composite Index of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers advanced to 307.6 in April 1966, up 4.3 per cent from the January index of 295.0, and 5.8 per cent higher than the April 1965 index of 290.6. The Composite Index Exclusive of Living Component rose 5.6 per cent to 346.8 from 328.5 in the period January to April and was 7.0 per cent above the April 1965 index of 324.2.

The All-Canada Farm Wage Rate Index moved up 13.2 per cent to 798.5 in April from the January index of 705.4. The Western series rose 23.3 per cent to 829.6 in April from 672.9 in January, while the Eastern series advanced 6.6 per cent to 776.6 from 728.2 over the same period.

The All-Canada Price Index of Equipment and Materials moved 1.7 per cent higher to 254.9 in April from the January index of 250.6, and was 2.7 per cent above the April 1965 index of 248.1. Major changes in the sub-group indexes included increases of 4.0 per cent for Seed, 3.9 per cent for Compounded Fertilizer, 2.7 per cent for Feed, 1.9 per cent for Building Materials, and 1.4 per cent for Hardware.

The All-Canada Farm Family Living Component rose 1.7 per cent to 248.7 in April from the January index of 244.6. Major sub-group index changes included increases of 3.0 per cent for Household Equipment, 2.1 per cent for Food and 1.8 per cent for Health Maintenance.

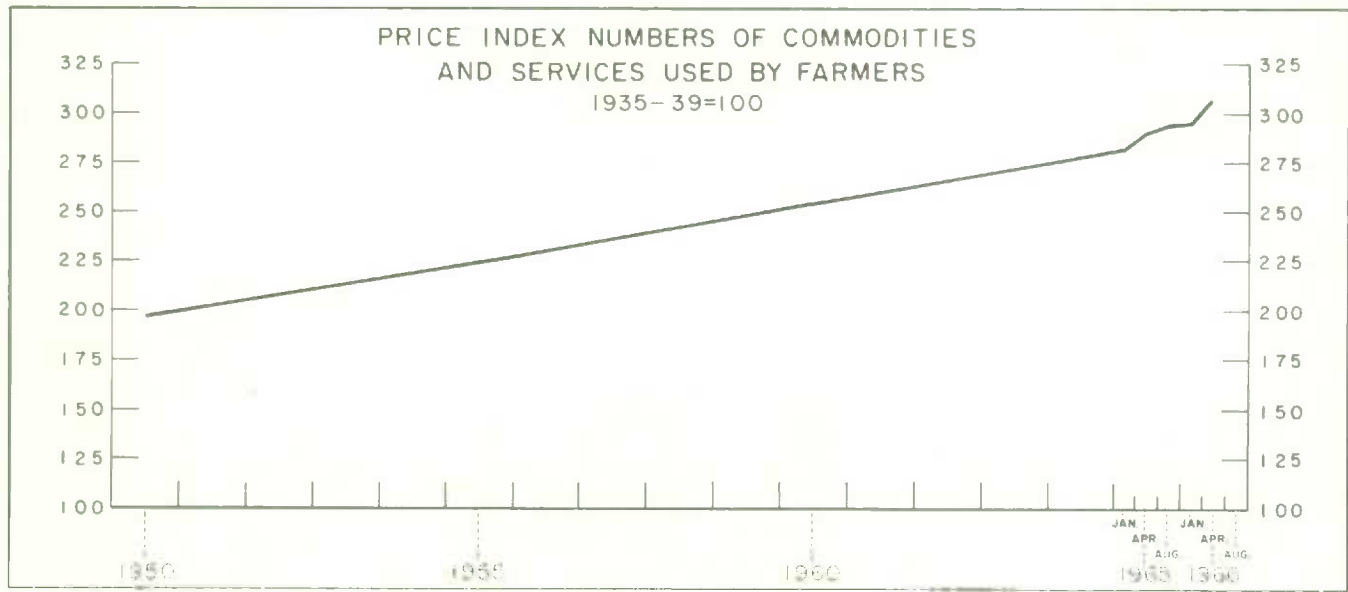


TABLE 1. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS
(1935-39 = 100)

	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
1964	308.6	243.5	247.4	627.5	241.0	281.6
1965	321.8	247.4	259.1	677.0	240.6	289.3
1963 - April	301.0	238.1	239.2	612.1	236.5	275.2
1964 - April	311.6	244.1	247.4	643.0	241.2	283.4
1965 - January	312.0	246.8	259.1	621.0	238.8	282.7
- April	324.2	248.1	259.1	688.9	240.2	290.6
- August	329.2	247.4	259.1	721.2	242.8	294.7
1966 - January	328.5	250.6	259.1	705.4	244.6	295.0
- April	346.8	254.9	259.1	798.5	248.7	307.6
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
1964	314.7	237.0	255.7	613.8	241.1	285.3
1965	329.0	241.7	266.3	661.3	240.8	293.7
1963 - April	306.4	235.2	249.3	583.7	235.9	278.2
1964 - April	314.7	238.0	255.7	611.0	241.1	285.3
1965 - January	322.8	241.2	266.3	631.9	239.0	289.3
- April	329.4	243.2	266.3	658.8	240.4	293.8
- August	334.8	241.2	266.3	693.2	243.1	298.1
1966 - January	343.7	244.4	266.3	728.2	244.7	304.1
- April	357.3	251.1	266.3	776.6	249.2	314.1
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
1964	302.6	249.7	240.2	647.1	240.8	277.9
1965	314.6	252.8	252.9	699.3	240.4	284.9
1963 - April	295.5	240.9	230.5	652.5	237.1	272.2
1964 - April	308.5	250.0	240.2	688.6	241.3	281.6
1965 - January	301.2	252.2	252.9	605.4	238.7	276.2
- April	319.0	252.8	252.9	731.6	240.0	287.4
- August	323.6	253.5	252.9	761.0	242.6	291.2
1966 - January	313.3	256.6	252.9	672.9	244.5	285.8
- April	336.3	258.6	252.9	829.6	248.2	301.1

(a) 1965 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	Gasoline, 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
1964	279.6	357.8	159.9	226.1	203.8	336.2	205.2	254.4
1965	284.9	371.4	159.7	227.3	212.9	298.5	209.9	266.1
1963 - April	273.1	330.5	156.6	234.6	204.0	275.6	210.5	248.1
1964 - April	279.6	362.2	159.9	225.6	208.7	336.2	203.6	254.8
1965 - January	284.9	369.3	159.5	227.6	212.8	298.5	211.8	259.2
- April	284.9	371.6	159.8	226.7	223.6	298.5	209.7	266.3
- August	284.9	373.3	159.9	227.7	202.4	298.5	208.1	272.9
1966 - January	291.5	376.1	161.6	230.8	213.2	271.6	210.8	273.7
- April	293.8	383.3	162.9	237.0	221.6	271.6	219.2	277.6
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
1964	281.5	325.1	182.0	224.8	206.4	336.2	200.5	243.6
1965	286.6	339.4	181.4	226.6	216.3	298.5	206.4	252.7
1963 - April	275.4	302.0	174.4	235.1	207.3	275.6	208.9	240.1
1964 - April	281.5	328.9	181.7	224.2	211.6	336.2	200.4	244.4
1965 - January	286.6	337.0	180.8	226.7	216.2	298.5	210.0	245.7
- April	286.6	339.3	181.2	225.9	227.9	298.5	207.6	252.6
- August	286.6	341.8	182.3	227.1	204.8	298.5	201.5	259.8
1966 - January	289.9	344.7	185.8	230.5	216.7	271.6	198.2	260.6
- April	293.3	351.9	187.6	238.6	225.8	271.6	212.1	266.3
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
1964	278.9	392.4	147.1	230.6	178.9	336.2	209.1	266.5
1965	284.2	405.2	147.3	230.0	180.5	298.5	212.8	281.2
1963 - April	272.2	360.5	146.4	232.7	171.9	275.6	211.9	257.2
1964 - April	278.8	397.4	147.3	230.5	181.1	336.2	206.2	266.4
1965 - January	284.2	403.4	147.3	231.0	180.0	298.5	213.4	274.3
- April	284.2	405.6	147.5	229.4	181.9	298.5	211.5	281.7
- August	284.2	406.6	147.0	229.7	179.7	298.5	213.6	287.7
1966 - January	292.2	409.2	147.7	232.1	179.1	271.6	221.3	288.5
- April	294.0	416.3	148.7	231.2	180.8	271.6	225.1	290.4



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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
1964	241.0	270.4	258.4	224.3	278.0	271.9	125.9
1965	240.6	256.2	262.8(r)	227.5	283.6	280.6	126.7
1963 - April	236.5	261.4	254.4	222.2	273.8	266.4	126.2
1964 - April	241.2	271.8	257.3	224.6	278.6	273.4	125.4
1965 - January	238.8	255.4	260.9	226.2	279.4	276.3	126.8
- April	240.2	253.7	263.4	228.7	282.2	282.7	126.4
- August	242.8	259.6	264.0(r)	227.6	289.2	282.7	126.8
1966 - January	244.6	264.0(r)	264.0(r)	230.7	289.0(r)	286.7	127.0
- April	248.7	269.6	266.3	231.8	297.8	291.9	128.3
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
1964	241.1	273.9	261.8	201.5	273.4	271.8	127.2
1965	240.8	260.3	266.3	201.7	277.6	280.4	128.0
1963 - April	235.9	263.4	256.2	197.7	269.8	266.2	127.5
1964 - April	241.1	274.0	261.0	202.0	273.9	273.2	126.6
1965 - January	239.0	258.8	264.2	201.9	274.3	276.1	128.2
- April	240.4	257.8	267.1	202.9	275.9	282.5	127.7
- August	243.1	264.2	267.7	200.4	282.5	282.5	128.1
1966 - January	244.6(r)	268.2(r)	267.7	203.8	282.2(r)	286.5	128.3
- April	249.2	273.3	270.5	207.6	291.8	291.6	129.7
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
1964	240.8	265.9	255.0	247.2	282.7	272.1	124.6
1965	240.4	252.2	259.1	253.3	289.7	280.8	125.4
1963 - April	237.1	259.5	252.5	246.6	277.8	266.5	124.9
1964 - April	241.3	269.6	253.6	247.2	283.2	273.5	124.1
1965 - January	238.7	252.1	257.6	250.5	284.6	276.5	125.5
- April	240.0	249.6	259.8	254.5	288.5	282.9	125.1
- August	242.6	254.9	260.3(r)	254.9	295.9	282.9	125.5
1966 - January	244.5	259.9	260.3(r)	257.6	295.9	286.9	125.6
- April	248.2	265.8	262.1	255.9	303.8	292.2	126.9

(r) Revised figures.