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PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS

JANUARY 1970 (1935-39 = 100)

The All-Canada Composite Index of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers showed a decrease of 0.5 per cent to 357.8 in January from the August index of 359.7 and was 3.1 per cent higher than the January 1969 index of 347.1. The Composite Index Exclusive of Living Component moved down 0.7 per cent to 412.6 from 415.5 in the August-January period but was 3.5 per cent above the January 1969 index of 398.7.

The All-Canada Farm Wage Rate Index decreased 2.4 per cent to 1012.4 in January from the August index of 1037.2 but was 7.8 per cent higher than the January 1969 figure of 939.5. The Eastern series moved up 1.0 per cent to 1037.2 from the August index of 1026.6, while the Western series dropped 7.1 per cent to 977.2 from 1052.3 during the same period.

The All-Canada Price Index of Equipment and Materials Used by Farmers moved 0.8 per cent higher to 279.2 in January from the August index of 277.1 but was 1.0 per cent above the January 1969 index of 276.3. Sub-group increases were 3.6 per cent for Farm Machinery, 3.5 per cent for Compounded Fertilizer, 3.1 per cent for Binder Twine, 1.2 per cent for Gasoline, Oil and Grease, and 0.5 per cent for Hardware while decreases occurred for Building Materials 2.9 per cent, Feed 1.4 per cent and Seed 1.4 per cent.

The All-Canada Farm Family Living Component dropped 0.1 per cent to 275.6 in January from 275.9 in August.

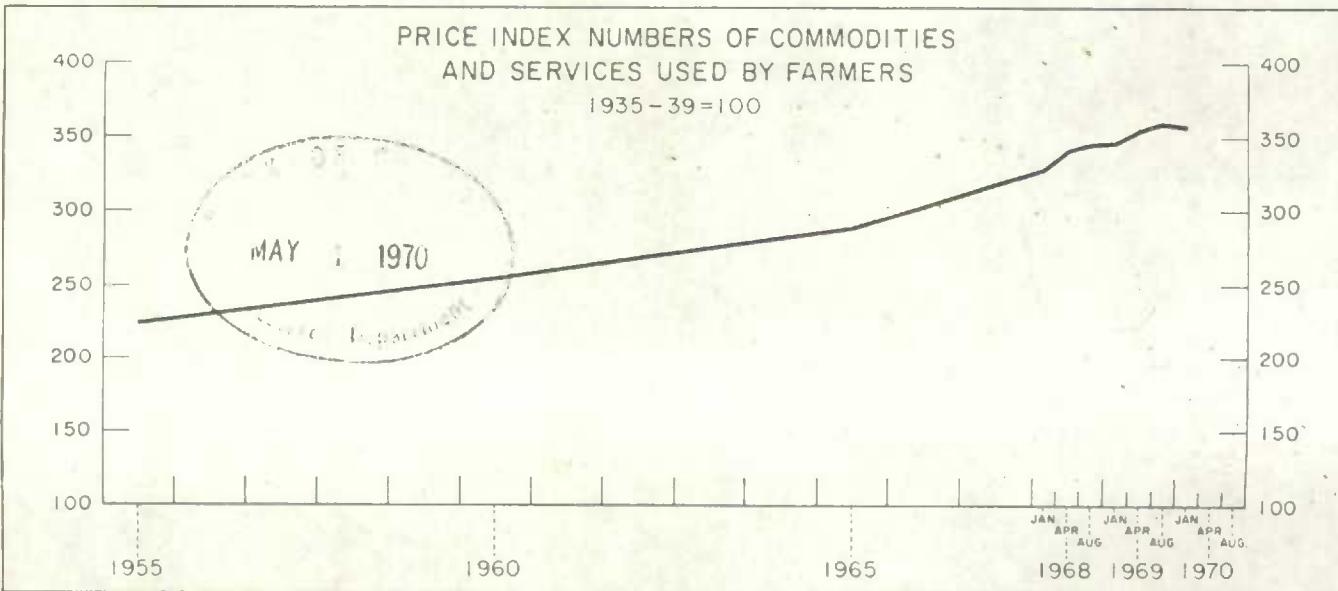


TABLE 1. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY FARMERS
(1935-39 = 100)

	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						
1949	204.1	180.3	138.7	373.3	173.2	191.7
1961	282.1	226.5	220.6	566.0	224.2	259.0
1968	387.3	271.3	306.3	920.9	266.1	338.9
1969	408.4	278.1	330.7	1001.2	272.4	354.0
1968 - January	371.4	268.6	306.3	835.7	265.0	328.8
- April	392.6	272.3	306.3	948.8	266.5	342.2
- August	398.0	273.1	306.3	978.3	266.8	345.6
1969 - January	398.7(r)	276.3	330.7(r)	939.5	269.8	347.1(r)
- April	411.1	280.9	330.7(r)	1026.9	271.5(r)	355.3(r)
- August	415.5(r)	277.1(r)	330.7(r)	1037.2	275.9	359.7(r)
1970 - January	412.6	279.2	330.7	1012.4	275.6	357.8
- April						
- August						
EASTERN CANADA						
1949	208.9	183.3	126.1	368.5	171.5	193.9
1961	286.5	221.5	223.6	550.2	223.7	261.4
1968	400.6	265.0	309.4	912.1	267.9	347.5
1969	425.9	269.0	339.4	998.7	275.6	365.7
1968 - January	385.8	262.7	309.4	843.7	267.0	338.3
- April	404.7	266.8	309.4	927.4	267.9	350.0
- August	411.4	265.4	309.4	965.1	268.7	354.3
1969 - January	417.1(r)	266.8	339.4(r)	961.0	271.7	358.9(r)
- April	429.7(r)	272.2	339.4(r)	1008.4	275.2(r)	367.9(r)
- August	430.8(r)	268.1(r)	339.4(r)	1026.6	279.8	370.4(r)
1970 - January	434.4	270.6	339.4	1037.2	278.5	372.1
- April						
- August						
WESTERN CANADA						
1949	199.2	177.4	149.4	380.1	174.9	189.5
1961	277.8	231.3	218.0	588.5	224.7	256.5
1968	374.0	277.4	303.6	933.5	264.3	330.2
1969	392.9	286.9	323.4	1004.8	269.2	344.3
1968 - January	356.9	274.2	303.6	824.4	263.1	319.4
- April	380.5	277.7	303.6	979.2	265.1	334.4
- August	384.7	280.4	303.6	997.0	264.8	336.7
1969 - January	380.2(r)	285.5	323.4(r)	909.0	267.8	335.3(r)
- April	398.2	289.3	323.4(r)	1053.2	267.8	348.7(r)
- August	400.3(r)	285.8(r)	323.4(r)	1052.3	272.0	349.0(r)
1970 - January	390.8	287.4	323.4	977.2	272.6	343.5
- April						
- August						

(a) 1970 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest 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	Gaso- line, Oil, Grease	Gaso- line, Oil, Grease	Com- pounded Ferti- lizer	Binder Twine	Seed	Hard- ware
ALL CANADA								
1949	158.3	237.1	139.3	209.5	141.3	301.1	212.2	164.8
1961	260.7	324.3	156.5	210.9	194.6	241.0	195.8	242.0
1968	313.7	427.2	175.4	246.3	240.4	252.8	213.0	306.0
1969	324.1	500.0	182.3	235.3	222.5	259.5	198.7	304.4
1968 - January	313.0	414.2	171.7	247.7	230.8	252.8	218.0	299.9
- April	313.5	427.9	175.2	247.3	243.3	252.8	219.8	306.3
- August	314.5	439.6	179.4	243.8	248.7	252.8	201.1	311.9
1969 - January	320.2	473.4	181.2	237.8	222.5	259.5	207.0	314.6
- April	325.9	522.7	182.2	234.9	232.6	259.5	199.5	297.1
- August	326.3	503.9(r)	183.6	233.2	212.3	259.5	189.7	301.6
1970 - January	337.9	489.4	185.8	230.0	219.7	267.6	187.0	303.1
EASTERN CANADA								
1949	157.9	224.4	152.5	207.3	143.0	301.1	212.9	163.2
1961	262.9	296.5	176.2	208.6	197.4	241.0	190.8	232.8
1968	310.4	388.9	199.1	244.5	247.2	252.8	202.0	290.7
1969	320.4	455.1	205.8	233.6	226.9	259.5	195.9	298.3
1968 - January	310.1	380.3	195.4	245.8	235.9	252.8	208.8	285.5
- April	310.4	388.3	200.2	245.7	249.6	252.8	214.1	290.4
- August	310.6	398.1	201.7	241.1	256.2	252.8	183.1	293.3
1969 - January	315.3	434.6	203.8	235.6	226.7	259.5	200.1	300.0
- April	322.7	474.7	205.6	232.8	237.5	259.5	196.4	295.1
- August	323.1	459.1(r)	207.9	232.4	216.5	259.5	191.1	299.8
1970 - January	333.7	451.8	211.4	232.4	226.1	267.6	188.0	301.4
WESTERN CANADA								
1949	158.4	250.6	131.6	217.6	125.5	301.1	211.5	166.6
1961	259.8	353.6	145.2	219.1	167.5	241.0	200.0	252.4
1968	375.0	467.7	161.8	252.5	180.6	252.8	222.2	323.3
1969	325.6	546.2	168.9	241.3	179.8	259.5	201.1	311.4
1968 - January	314.1	450.0	158.1	251.0	182.2	252.8	225.8	316.1
- April	314.7	459.7	160.8	253.2	183.2	252.8	224.6	324.2
- August	316.1	483.4	166.6	253.4	176.5	252.8	216.2	329.5
1969 - January	322.2	514.2	168.2	245.7	182.7	259.5	212.8	331.0
- April	327.2	573.3	168.8	242.3	185.1	259.5	202.1	299.4
- August	327.5	551.2(r)	169.6	236.0	171.7	259.5	188.5	303.7
1970 - January	339.6	529.0	171.1	221.3	158.0	267.6	186.1	305.0

(r) Revised figures.

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							
1949	173.2	199.2	192.0	163.9	183.7	144.1	115.0
1961	224.2	238.6	244.0	218.6	260.5	249.8	126.4
1968	266.1	277.0	288.3	249.0	325.2	329.5	132.8
1969	272.4	290.2	287.6	263.2	332.4	339.7	134.1
1968 - January	265.0	280.2	287.1	245.3	323.0	322.9	131.0
- April	266.5	274.6	289.5	250.8	326.0	332.6	133.5
- August	266.8	276.1	288.2	250.8	326.7	333.0	134.0
1969 - January	269.8	284.4	288.2	261.2	326.7	336.7	133.0
- April	271.5(r)	287.3	286.8	263.9	333.0(r)	341.2	134.6
- August	275.9	298.8	287.7	264.6	337.6	341.2	134.6
1970 - January	275.6	291.0	287.7	276.0	337.6	350.5	134.4
- April							
- August							
EASTERN CANADA							
1949	171.5	202.7	192.6	145.5	176.3	144.1	115.4
1961	223.7	243.6	245.0	192.5	255.0	249.8	127.6
1968	267.9	283.0	292.8	220.0	322.8	329.2	134.3
1969	275.6	297.9	295.2	231.4	329.6	342.2	136.1
1968 - January	267.0	286.6	292.4	218.4	319.3	322.7	132.4
- April	267.9	279.3	294.3	220.8	323.1	332.3	135.0
- August	268.7	283.1	291.7	220.7	325.9	332.6	135.5
1969 - January	271.7	292.8	291.7	227.5	325.9	336.3	134.7
- April	275.2(r)	296.1	295.4	232.5	326.9(r)	345.2	136.8
- August	279.8	304.9	298.6	234.2	336.1	345.2	136.8
1970 - January	278.5	294.0	298.6	242.8	336.1	353.8	136.6
- April							
- August							
WESTERN CANADA							
1949	174.9	195.8	191.4	182.3	191.1	144.1	114.6
1961	224.7	233.5	243.0	244.7	266.1	249.9	125.2
1968	264.3	271.0	283.8	277.9	327.7	329.8	131.3
1969	269.2	282.4	279.9	295.1	333.2	337.1	131.2
1968 - January	263.1	273.9	281.8	272.2	326.6	323.1	129.5
- April	265.1	270.0	284.7	280.7	328.9	333.0	132.0
- August	264.8	269.1	284.8	280.9	327.5	333.3	132.4
1969 - January	267.8	276.0	284.8	295.0	327.5	337.1	131.4
- April	267.8	278.5	278.2	295.3	333.1	337.1	132.5
- August	272.0	292.7	276.7	295.1	339.1	337.1	132.4
1970 - January	272.6	287.9	276.7	309.2	339.1	347.2	132.2
- April							
- August							

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