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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES
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The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices rose slightly in October being 150.2 as compared with 149.7 in September. 51 price quotations were higher, 43 were lower and 142 were unchanged. Of the eight main groups, four were higher, two were lower and two unchanged.

Vegetables and their Products rose from 144.2 to 147.7, higher prices for grains, flour and other milled products, oranges, bananas, hay and rubber more than offsetting lower prices for potatoes and sugar. Animals and their Products declined from 161.4 to 158.6, declines in livestock, meats, hides, leather, boots and shoes and lard more than counterbalancing advances in milk, eggs and fish. Fibres, Textiles, and Textile Products rose from 163.2 to 163.5, due mainly to higher prices for raw cotton and silk. Iron and its Products, chiefly because of advances in steel billets and steel sheets, rose from 138.7 to 139.1. Non-Ferrous Metals advanced from 95.3 to 96.2 owing to higher levels for copper, silver, tin, solder and antimony. Some minor declines occurred in Wood and Wood Products, the index being 155.9 as compared with 156.1 last month. Non-Metallic minerals and Chemicals and Allied Products were unchanged.

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