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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES
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The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices was 153.2 in April as compared with 152.8 in March. Three of the main groups moved upward, four moved downward and one was stationary. Prices were higher for 43 commodities, lower for 30 and unchanged for 163.

Vegetables and their Products rose from 164.2 to 169.7 chiefly because of higher levels for grains, flour and milled products, refined sugar, hay, straw and apples. Animals and their Products declined from 144.9 to 140.4, advances in hogs, sheep and leather being more than counterbalanced by declines in cattle, meats, butter, cheese, eggs, lard and some lines of fish. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products fell from 170.8 to 169.2, advances in raw cotton, jute and wool being more than offset by declines in various cotton fabrics and silk products. Non-Ferrous Metals and their Products were 94.3 as compared with 94.2 last month. Electrolytic copper, lead, tin ingots and spelter advanced slightly while antimony and lead pipe declined. Non-Metallic Minerals fell from 170.1 to 169.9 due mainly to seasonal declines in coal prices. The price of cement rose sharply in some localities. Iron and its Products remained stationary, while Wood and Wood Products and Chemicals and Allied Products showed only minor changes.

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