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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES

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The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 advanced from 92.6 to 96.0. 83 quotations were higher, 49 were lower, and 370 remained unchanged. Group changes with one outstanding exception were fractional.

Vegetables and Vegetable Products registered a decided advance from 82.4 to 93.7. Prices for grains rose sharply and substantial gains were also made by milled products, raw rubber and sugar. Fresh foreign fruits and coffee declined noticeably, but made no impression in the face of the increases noted. Animals and their Products rose from 107.6 to 108.3, due chiefly to rises in the prices for hogs, calves, butter, and eggs which were greater than declines for fish, furs, steers and lambs. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products were almost unchanged, moving from 91.6 to 91.5, with declines in raw cotton, hessian, and rayon yarn of slightly more account than increases in jute and silk fabrics. Wood, Wood Products, and Paper also remained almost stationary, recording a minor advance from 93.9 to 94.0 due to higher quotations for fir siding. Iron and its Products stayed unchanged at 93.9. Non-Ferrous Metals advanced from 94.6 to 94.8, silver and tin showing a disposition to firmness. Non-Metallic Minerals and their Products rose from 92.9 to 93.4, because of increased prices for fuels and cement in certain areas. Chemicals and Allied Products, as a group, were somewhat firmer, being 95.7 as against 95.5 in June.

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