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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, NOVEMBER, 1932(PRELIMINARY)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100, fell from 65.0 in October to 64.8 in November. 62 quotations were higher, 85 were lower, while 355 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products were unchanged at 52.2, price reductions for wheat, rye, gluten meal, and shorts counterbalancing advances for barley, corn, oats, rolled oats, and oatmeal. Animals and Their Products dropped from 59.3 to 57.5 due mainly to lower prices for hides, leather, steers, calves, hogs, lambs, and fresh and cured meats. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products moved down from 69.1 to 68.6, under the influence of reduced prices for raw cotton, jute, print, and napped sheeting. Wood, Wood Products and Paper rose from 64.5 to 64.6, with spruce and oak lumber and groundwood and unbleached sulphite pulp, showing gains. Iron and Its Products advanced from 85.8 to 86.0 mainly on account of higher quotations for steel tank plates, automobile body plates and scrap iron. Non-Ferrous Metals moved up from 57.7 to 58.2, gains for aluminium, lead, silver, and zinc outweighing losses for antimony and imported copper wire bars. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products changed from 85.9 to 85.7, declines for coke, outbalancing increases for coal tar and sulphur. Chemicals and Allied Products were 83.9 as compared with 83.4 in October. Higher prices obtained for calcium chloride, zinc oxide and lithopone.

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