



Published by Authority of Hon. H.H. Stevens, M.P.,
Minister of Trade and Commerce

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND COMMERCE
DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS - CANADA
INTERNAL TRADE BRANCH

(Issued March 4th, 1933.)

Dominion Statistician:	R.H. Coats, B.A., F.S.S.(Hon.), F.R.S.C.
Chief, Internal Trade Branch:	Herbert Marshall, B.A., F.S.S.
Prices Statistician:	H.F. Greenway, M.A.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, FEBRUARY, 1933, (PRELIMINARY)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926-100 fell from 63.9 in January to 63.6 in February. 69 quotations were higher, 86 were lower while 347 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products moved down from 50.9 to 50.8, declines for apples rolled oats, oatmeal, bread, linseed oil, and sugar influencing the index more than gains for wheat, oats, rye, flax and corn. Animals and Their Products declined from 57.1 to 56.0, losses for steers, calves, eggs, hides, cured meats, and lard, exerting a greater influence on the index than advances for hogs, lambs, furs, and fresh meats. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products moved down from 68.0 to 67.9, lower quotations for raw silk and jute, outweighing gains for raw cotton and wool. Wood, Wood Products and Paper fell from 63.6 to 63.2, due mainly to reductions in the price of wrapping paper, cedar shingles and spruce and hemlock lumber. Iron and Its Products dropped from 85.4 to 85.2, influenced more by lower quotations for foundry pig iron and scrap steel, than by advances for steel tank plates and automobile body plates. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products rose from 56.9 to 58.3, principally because of higher quotations for antimony, copper, lead, silver, tin and zinc. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products changed from 86.0 to 85.0, reductions in the prices of gasolene and kerosene more than offsetting higher sulphur quotations. Chemicals and Allied Products were 82.4 in February as compared with 82.5 in January. Borax and tartaric acid moved lower while shellac, zinc oxide and lithopone registered gains.

STATISTICS CANADA LIBRARY
BIBLIOTHEQUE STATISTIQUE CANADA



1010367374

c.1

20 20