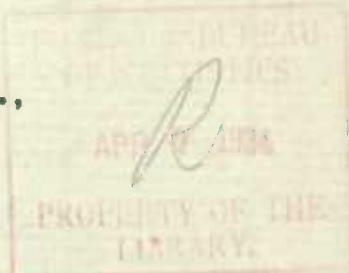


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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, MARCH, 1934, (PRELIMINARY)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100, changed fractionally from 72.1 in February to 72.0 in March. 94 quotations were higher, 99 were lower, while 374 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products rose from 65.6 to 65.7, gains for wheat, bran, shorts, and tea more than counterbalancing losses for oats, rye, barley, and flour. Animals and Their Products fell from 70.7 to 69.9 declines for calves, hogs, eggs, hides and leather outweighing advances for steers, lambs, butter and fresh and cured meats. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products moved up from 73.8 to 74.3, higher prices for cotton fabrics, cotton yarn and thread influencing the index more than lower quotations for raw cotton, silk and worsted cloth yarns. Wood, Wood Products and Paper **advanced** from 65.6 to 65.7 owing chiefly to higher prices for fir timber and unbleached wood pulp. Iron and Its Products changed from 87.0 in February to 87.2 in March, gains for scrap iron and stool and foundry pig iron outweighing losses for steel rails. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products dropped from 66.8 to 66.1 largely because of lower prices for copper, lead and zinc. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products changed fractionally from 86.0 to 86.1 owing principally to higher quotations for glass tumblers. Chemicals and Allied Products moved up from 80.6 to 80.8 as a result of advances in the prices of fertilizers.



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