

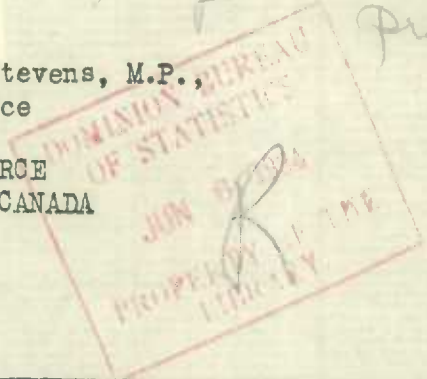
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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, MAY, 1934, (PRELIMINARY)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100, at 71.1 in May, was the same as in the previous month. 77 quotations were higher, 110 were lower, while 380 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products advanced from 64.4 to 65.2, gains for barley, corn, wheat, oats, flax and coffee influencing the index more than losses for bran, shorts, sugar and potatoes. Animals and Their Products dropped from 67.0 to 65.5, declines for hides, leather, steers, calves, fresh meats, milk and butter outweighing advances for hogs, lambs, cured meats and eggs. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products declined from 73.8 to 73.7 reduced prices for raw silk, silk hosiery, raw wool and worsted cloth yarns more than counterbalancing higher quotations for cotton duck and artificial silk hosiery. Wood, Wood Products and Paper rose from 65.6 to 65.8 owing chiefly to higher prices for maple and birch lumber. Iron and Its Products moved up from 87.2 to 87.4 due principally to gains for steel sheets. Non-Ferrous Metals, and Their Products fell from 65.7 to 64.5 influenced largely by easier prices for copper, lead, tin and zinc. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products declined from 85.6 to 85.5 because of reductions in the price of gasoline. Chemicals and Allied Products were 81.9 in May as against 81.8 in the previous month, declines for copper sulphate and fertilizers being more than offset by advances for refined glycerine and tartaric acid.

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