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Index Numbers of Security Prices, Sales and Values

January 1925 = 100

The weighted index number of the 25 best selling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges, computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, rose from 159.9 in the week ending April 3rd to 165.6 during last week.

The weighted index of the volume of stocks traded rose from 56.0 to 82.8 and the index number of total values of the stocks traded from 89.5 to 137.1 in the same period.

Sixteen of the twenty-five best selling stocks showed higher average prices, two were lower and seven were practically unchanged. The chief influences in raising the index number of prices were Brazilian which went up three points on the average, Smelters with a rise of over nine points and Montreal Light, Heat and Power which was up seven and one-half points. Shawinigan was up four points.

The sales of fourteen stocks increased, for eight stocks there was a decrease and three others were about the same. The chief influence in raising the index of sales were Brazilian and Montreal Light, Heat and Power. Smelter sales were at a lower level but higher prices about offset the reduction in sales. Canada Cement and B. C. Fishing also increased their sales considerably.

Index Numbers of Prices, Sales and Values of Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks. January 1925 = 100

Column I - Weighted index numbers of the prices of the 25 best selling Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges.

Column II - Weighted index numbers of the volume of shares sold.

Column III - Index numbers of the total money value of the stocks included in I and II above.

Date	I Prices	II Sales	III Values
January, 1925	100.	100.	100.
February	108.9	64.0	69.7
March	105.7	56.3	59.5
April	108.6	37.9	41.2
May	109.9	81.9	90.0
June	106.1	60.5	64.2
July	111.8	74.3	83.1
August	123.2	111.7	137.6
September	132.8	91.2	121.1
October	147.2	157.1	231.3
November	145.7	74.4	108.4
December	150.4	117.7	177.0
January, 1926	x163.2	103.6x	169.1x
February "	x182.9	173.2x	316.8x
March "	171.1	160.3	276.3
1st week March, 1926	161.9	248.6	402.5
2nd " "	160.7	105.3	169.2
3rd " "	164.7	76.7	126.3
4th " "	158.3	77.6	122.8
5th " March-April, 1926	159.9	56.0	89.5
1st week April 1926 (April 10th)	165.6	82.8	137.1

x Revised index numbers for the months of January and February. Those previously shown for these months were simple averages of the weekly numbers. A more accurate weighted system similar to that used in calculating the weekly indexes is now being used and will be used for all future monthly calculations.

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