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INVESTORS' AND TRADERS' INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

1926 = 100

"Investors'" and "Traders'" weighted index numbers of security prices, computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base of 1926=100, were as follows for the week ending February 28th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 287.5 for the week ending February 28th, as compared with 280.0 for the previous week.

The "Traders'" index of prices of the twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges, was 1137.5 for the week ending February 28th, as compared with 1099.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 153.8 for the week ending February 28th, as compared with 152.5 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 192.6 for the week ending February 28th, as compared with 192.3 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 221.1 for the week ending February 28th, as compared with 215.5 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for twenty-three and lower for two of the twenty-five stocks. International Nickel rose from \$61.1 to \$63.5, Brompton from \$40.0 to \$46.4, National Steel Car from \$114.3 to \$123.0, Winnipeg Electric from \$78.1 to \$84.4, Wayagamack from \$82.1 to \$89.0. Power Corporation from \$114.1 to \$118.5, Canadian Gypsum and Alabastine from \$93.3 to \$100.1, Fraser from \$76.1 to \$81.1, Dominion Bridge from \$101.1 to \$104.2 and Canada Power and Paper from \$30.6 to \$32.8.

Sales were higher for fourteen and lower for eleven stocks. National Steel Car went up from 2,200 to 7,400, Winnipeg Electric from 4,300 to 9,700, Fraser from 1,800 to 6,100, Canadian Gypsum and Alabastine from 1,400 to 4,600, Abitibi from 2,100 to 8,200, Dominion Stores from 120 to 1,800, Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" from 7,000 to 13,300, Canada Cement from 1,400 to 9,900 and Brompton from 5,500 to 10,400. International Nickel declined from 329,400 to 220,200, Massey-Harris from 30,200 to 14,600, Brazilian from 44,800 to 25,900, Walkers from 13,900 to 3,300, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 2,300 to 631, Shawinigan from 16,800 to 8,900, Power Corporation from 10,600 to 7,900, Dominion Bridge from 11,200 to 9,100 and Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 3,000 to 2,100.



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TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

	Investors' index number of Common Stocks				Traders' index number of the twenty-five best selling industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks	
	92 Industrial Companies Located in Canada	25 Public Utility Companies Located in Canada	All Industrial Companies Located in Canada	All Public Utility Companies Located in Canada	Index of Total Value of all Stocks Traded	Index of Total Value of all Stocks Traded
1926	100	100	100	100	100	100
1927						
September	146.1	127.1	124.6	134.1	211.3	32.6
October	154.5	129.3	125.1	138.5	236.4	285.1
November	158.2	130.3	130.9	141.4	251.7	211.2
December	161.6	135.8	138.0	146.5	281.4	294.0
1928						
January	172.5	136.2	143.3	152.2	317.7	282.9
February	167.6	135.1	140.2	148.0	322.0	230.3
March	172.4	137.6	147.6	152.4	338.5	230.6
April	177.0	139.5	156.0	156.6	379.5	282.0
May	184.4	150.6	163.8	165.5	417.1	256.0
June	170.0	139.1	150.2	152.9	388.0	184.3
July	169.6	140.6	153.0	153.9	391.2	108.0
August	166.5	136.1	145.9	149.4	391.3	127.8
September	185.3	143.4	154.9	161.5	470.6	166.4
October	201.2	144.2	168.6	171.0	553.2	362.4
November	229.3	149.2	189.1	188.4	714.1	440.1
December	237.3	149.7	193.5	192.0	809.7	256.8
1929						
January	286.1	154.0	210.5	217.7	1039.5	475.3
Week ending Jan. 3rd.	254.2	149.5	194.1	203.6	913.4	274.0
" " " 10th.	267.6	150.2	203.2	211.3	993.8	523.7
" " " 17th.	269.2	149.2	201.5	211.3	1012.2	381.5
" " " 24th.	290.7	151.7	213.3	223.5	1127.4	724.9
" " " 31st.	293.3	155.0	206.9	224.8	1150.2	472.4
" " Feb. 7th.	294.7	159.1	200.6	225.9	1154.4	405.1
" " " 14th.	284.3	155.7	195.5	219.3	1112.7	311.5
" " " 21st.	280.0	152.5	192.3	215.5	x1099.9	x227.6
" " " 28th.	287.5	153.8	192.6	221.1	1137.5	174.0

Purpose of Traders' and Investors' Index Numbers

The Investors' Index Numbers measure the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

The Traders' Index measures the trend of gains or losses for an "average" trader on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges, who buys and sells the leading common stocks in the same proportion as they are traded in the market as a whole, and who turns over his investments every week.

x Revised index figures.

**INVESTORS' INDEX NUMBERS**  
1926=100

Note: The investors' index measures the trend of values for the investor who buys a fixed list of stocks and holds them over a long period.

INDUSTRIAL										UTILITY			COMPANIES ABROAD				
No. of Securities	Total	Iron and Steel	Pulp and Paper	Mill-ing	Oils	Tex-tiles and Cloth-ing	Food and Allied Prod-ucts.	Bever-ages	Mis-cell-aneous	Total	Trans-port-ation	Tele-phone Telo-graph	Power and Tract-ion	Total	In-dust-rial	Utility	Grand Total
	79	9	9	5	3	9	21	7	16	16	2	2	12	8	1	7	103
1926	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1927																	
September	146.1	185.1	112.5	139.6	161.1	131.6	136.9	144.6	143.0	127.1	117.4	108.5	147.0	124.6	100.0	154.1	134.1
October	154.5	187.8	134.7	159.9	168.4	137.1	144.2	147.1	147.7	129.8	124.3	108.5	143.9	125.1	97.8	157.1	138.5
November	158.2	199.1	141.0	171.7	169.6	134.9	149.3	164.8	148.4	130.3	125.1	108.7	144.0	130.9	104.0	163.0	141.4
December	161.6	213.5	135.9	183.7	168.1	136.7	158.0	162.8	159.4	135.8	132.4	112.7	147.0	130.0	110.2	171.3	146.5
1928																	
January	172.5	224.1	151.6	187.7	173.8	140.3	170.3	165.5	175.4	136.2	132.1	115.5	147.8	143.3	123.2	168.2	152.2
February	167.6	213.5	153.4	182.6	165.8	137.0	166.7	158.2	172.5	135.1	128.0	116.7	150.1	140.2	115.0	171.2	148.0
March	172.4	224.3	156.0	176.7	171.9	133.8	162.5	168.6	179.0	137.6	134.5	119.3	147.3	147.6	118.1	183.6	152.4
April	177.0	249.8	160.0	180.4	177.0	136.4	165.4	181.9	177.9	139.5	132.8	120.8	154.0	156.0	124.5	194.5	156.6
May	184.4	255.7	156.3	184.9	193.6	134.0	169.7	187.3	183.4	150.6	137.7	124.4	175.0	163.8	132.2	202.1	165.5
June	170.0	230.8	127.0	175.8	180.8	123.0	157.3	165.0	177.5	139.1	127.6	119.4	160.1	150.2	120.6	192.6	152.9
July	169.6	234.7	113.7	176.1	186.2	120.0	155.8	167.4	175.9	140.6	129.2	118.0	162.1	153.0	121.5	197.9	153.9
August	166.5	222.2	98.9	169.9	186.3	116.5	150.1	158.6	181.8	136.1	129.5	115.6	150.7	145.9	117.7	186.5	149.4
September	185.3	247.3	108.1	178.9	210.8	117.7	153.1	175.4	210.5	143.4	136.2	118.6	159.7	154.9	122.9	200.3	161.5
October	201.2	267.5	99.3	190.7	228.2	114.2	159.3	183.4	245.8	144.2	137.9	118.7	159.7	168.6	134.3	217.5	171.0
November	229.3	317.5	101.1	197.5	261.5	114.3	166.6	195.8	295.6	149.2	149.6	119.2	157.3	189.1	159.5	234.2	188.4
December	237.3	328.6	97.1	208.3	246.5	114.1	182.5	184.4	336.3	149.7	149.3	120.3	158.8	185.5	151.5	235.6	191.0
1929																	
No. of Securities	92	14	9	5	3	7	23	11	20	18	2	2	14	7	1	6	117
January	286.1	374.6	101.6	217.2	276.8	110.9	196.7	189.1	468.8	154.0	153.7	122.3	164.9	210.5	183.3	253.5	217.7
Jan. 3rd	254.2	340.9	100.6	206.5	270.4	110.1	188.8	181.8	377.2	149.5	147.5	119.8	160.8	194.1	162.3	247.4	203.6
Jan. 10th.	267.6	356.9	101.0	208.5	273.9	109.1	192.7	184.7	418.3	150.2	150.0	119.8	159.9	203.2	170.7	258.0	211.3
Jan. 17th.	269.2	370.4	106.2	209.9	269.7	107.6	193.0	182.2	423.3	149.2	148.6	120.5	159.2	201.5	171.8	252.8	211.3
Jan. 24th.	290.7	374.1	110.3	211.9	276.9	106.5	191.8	187.1	490.6	151.7	149.9	120.0	163.4	213.3	191.5	255.5	223.5
Jan. 31st.	293.3	383.8	108.8	230.3	269.1	107.1	191.4	187.2	506.2	155.0	154.5	120.7	166.1	206.9	180.5	254.2	224.8
Feb. 7th.	294.7	383.8	109.3	256.3	264.5	108.4	193.8	201.4	507.2	159.1	160.6	120.3	169.4	200.6	174.3	247.3	225.9
Feb. 14th.	284.3	372.2	103.1	243.4	259.7	105.0	190.3	195.1	484.8	155.7	157.2	119.8	164.8	195.5	168.5	242.8	219.3
Feb. 21st.	280.0	362.1	104.9	240.7	253.4	105.0	188.9	190.2	478.4	152.5	151.2	119.6	163.8	192.3	164.7	240.3	215.5
Feb. 28th.	287.5	369.3	112.5	240.2	255.6	105.3	191.1	192.1	496.1	153.8	153.7	120.1	164.2	192.6	164.7	241.0	221.1



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