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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 April 25th.

The "Investors'" index of industrial common stocks was 272.9 for the week ending April 25th, as compared with 267.3 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 993.7 for the week ending April 25th, as compared with 952.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of domestic utility common stocks was 142.8 for the week ending April 25th, as compared with 140.2 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 181.2 for the week ending April 25th, as compared with 182.3 for the previous week.

The "Investors'" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 208.9 for the week ending April 25th, as compared with 205.7 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were higher for all of the twenty-five stocks. Walkers rose from \$70.9 to \$80.4, National Steel Car from \$93.4 to \$106.1, International Nickel from \$48.7 to \$49.7, Dominion Bridge from \$101.0 to \$105.8, National Breweries from \$134.7 to \$140.8, Power Corporation from \$100.1 to \$105.9, Winnipeg Electric from \$81.0 to \$87.7, Shawinigan from \$74.2 to \$76.4, Canada Car and Foundry from \$126.3 to \$131.3, Dominion Glass from \$158.5 to \$176.4 and Standard Steel from \$45.3 to \$56.9.

Sales were higher for sixteen and lower for nine stocks. Walkers went up from 2,700 to 82,100, National Breweries from 1,500 to 12,600, International Nickel from 113,400 to 143,200, National Steel Car from 1,000 to 13,700, Brazilian from 31,000 to 44,100, Canada Car and Foundry from 1,300 to 6,300, Power Corporation from 2,400 to 7,100, Shawinigan from 8,100 to 13,900, Winnipeg Electric from 2,200 to 6,000 and Dominion Glass from 135 to 1,500. Massey Harris fell from 21,900 to 15,600, Canada Power and Paper from 15,900 to 4,600, Page Hersey from 3,800 to 2,200, Dominion Bridge from 25,400 to 23,600 and Cockshutt Plow Co. from 8,600 to 5,000.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS

		Investors' Index Number of Common Stock		Traders' index number of the twenty-five best selling industrial and Public Utility Companies		Common Stocks	
		92 Industrial 25 Public Utility Companies Located in Canada		All Public Utility Abroad		Index of Price Total Value of all Stocks Traded	
		100	100	100	100	100	100
<u>1926</u>							
<u>1928</u>							
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	185.5	191.0	809.7	256.8
<u>1929</u>							
January		286.1	154.0	210.5	217.7	1039.5	475.3
February		292.9	158.7	198.9	220.3	1125.8	280.3
March		266.2	150.1	176.8	201.7	1057.3	242.4
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	1099.9	227.6
" " "	28th	287.5	153.8	192.6	221.1	1136.4	177.2
" " "	Mar. 7th	286.6	153.3	188.3	219.7	1145.0	204.9
" " "	14th	277.1	150.3	184.1	213.7	1092.4	157.3
" " "	21st	273.7	149.0	185.7	212.2	1064.4	151.1
" " "	28th	247.7	141.9	172.7	195.4	927.5	456.3
" " "	Apr. 4th	259.2	140.9	182.7	202.4	951.3	66.5
" " "	11th	256.8	139.4	178.6	200.1	922.3	126.3
" " "	18th	267.3	140.2	182.3	205.7	x952.9	x104.8
" " "	25th	272.9	142.8	181.2	208.9	993.7	178.8

### 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 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.

Number of Securities	Total	Iron and Steel	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Textiles and Clothing	Food and Allied Products	Mis- cellan- eous	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Trac- tion	Indust- rial	Util- ity	Grand Total			
	79	9	9	5	3	9	21	7	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		
1928																	
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
February	292.9	377.5	103.0	247.6	261.5	108.2	196.3	201.3	501.6	158.7	161.2	122.3	168.1	198.9	173.0	239.5	220.3
March	266.2	346.9	94.8	235.2	250.7	100.5	180.3	175.1	441.4	150.1	156.5	121.8	153.9	176.8	161.5	204.5	201.7
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	258.9	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
March 7th	286.6	372.6	106.8	235.3	254.5	104.2	187.8	189.7	499.0	153.3	154.4	120.8	162.2	188.3	158.9	238.1	219.7
Mar. 14th	277.1	356.9	103.2	235.5	253.2	103.5	185.9	179.2	475.5	150.3	152.7	120.7	157.6	184.1	160.3	226.9	213.7
Mar. 21st	273.7	344.4	101.2	235.0	260.0	102.3	178.4	177.2	462.1	149.0	152.7	120.4	157.6	182.7	170.8	211.2	202.4
Mar. 28th	247.4	316.8	94.6	228.1	248.3	95.9	171.4	161.4	393.7	141.9	146.2	115.3	146.5	172.7	155.6	206.7	195.4
Apr. 4th	259.2	324.4	95.9	228.7	274.8	98.3	179.2	164.7	403.9	140.9	145.4	114.2	145.1	182.7	170.8	211.2	202.4
Apr. 11th	256.8	314.3	93.9	232.5	287.7	97.8	172.5	164.0	386.5	139.4	144.5	113.4	142.9	178.6	165.3	208.6	200.1
Apr. 18th	267.3	327.1	99.0	232.7	311.0	96.1	179.4	161.5	395.0	140.2	144.6	113.8	144.4	182.3	170.0	211.3	205.7
Apr. 25th	272.9	340.8	103.3	232.0	312.5	98.9	178.3	175.8	403.2	142.8	146.7	115.0	147.7	181.2	167.2	212.1	208.9

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