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## INVESTORS' AND TRADERS' INDEX MUMBERS 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 January 21st.

The "Investors!" index of industrial common stocks was 70.2 for the week ending January 21st, as compared with 70.3 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 416.3 for the week ending January 21st, as compared with 408.5 for the previous week.

The "Investors!" index of domestic utility common stocks was 57.3 for the week ending January 21st, as compared with 56,2 for the previous week.

The "Investors!" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 51.9 for the week ending January 21st, as compared with 50.6 for the previous week.

The "Investors!" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 62.2 for the week ending January 21st, as compared with 61.5 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were lower for eight, unchanged for ten and higher for seven of the twenty-five stocks included in the Traders! Index. International Nickel fell from \$10.3 to \$10.0, Hollinger from \$5.7 to \$5.2, Page-Hersey from \$65.4 to \$64.6 and Consumers Gas from \$164.9 to \$164.1, C: P. R. rose from \$16.5 to \$17.7, Irazilian from \$12.3 to \$12.8, McColl-Frontenac Oil from \$9.9 to \$10.1 and Steel of Canada from \$20.9 to \$21.7.

Sales were lower for fourteen and higher for eleven stocks. International Nickel fell from 15,200 to 5,200, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 2,700 to 1,700, Ford "A" from 4,200 to 2,000, Walkers from 7,400 to 3,400 and Steel of Canada from 800 to 300. Dominion Bridge rose from 15 to 1900, Consumers' Gas from 47 to 200, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 200 to 400, McColl-Frontenac Oil from 2,500 to 3,300, Massey-Harris from 700 to 2,100, Cockshutt Plow Co. from 300 to 1,300 and Dominion Steel and Coal "B" from 600 to 2,200.

TABLE OF INDEX NUMBERS						
	:Investors' Index Number of Common Stocks :96 Industrial 26 Public Utility :Companies Loca-:				:Traders' Index Number of :the twenty-five best sell- :ing Industrial and Public :Utility Common Stocks	
	<pre>:ted in Canada :Companies: :Indust-:Public :Located : All</pre>				:Index of	
		:Public :		: All	: Index of	:Total Value
		:	ribi Oau		: Price	of Stocks Traded
1926 1929	100	100	1.00	100	100	100
Highest Weekly Pigures	311.0	163,6	213.3	235.4	1255.4	724.9
Lowest Weekly Figures 1930	194.0	124.8	122.5	155.8	714.8	24.1
Highest Weekly Pigures	322.1	142.3	151.8	178.6	1037.2	129.3
Lowest Weekly Figures	112.6	99.8	70.7	100.6	569.4	2.8
1931						
January	134.7	107.3	85.6	108.8	609.8	3.4
February	129.3	114.9	84.9	114.0	660, 2	5.8
March	127.8	116.1	79.3	112.9	714.3	4.1
April	106.8	104,8	67.8	97.7	621.5	.7
May	89.0	85.2	58.7	80.9	495.2	.4
June	01.1	80.4	59.8	80,0	464.8	.1
July	94.6	81.7	69.3	83.6	492.4	.03
August	94.4	76.6	68.1	81.2	470.7	.01
September	79.3	65,4	49.1	67.2	394.5	.008
October	74.5	60.1	48.0	62.8	360.6	.001
N ovember	86.6	63,5	58,8	71.0	448.5	. 002
December	74.3	59.3	51.5	63.0	390.7	.0002
Week ending Dec. 3rd	74.0	57.8	50.7	63.7	403.4	. 0003
" " 10th	72,4	56.7	49.9	62,4	397.9	.0002
" " 17th	68.3	56.1	47.1	60.0	379.9	.0003
" " 24th	69.5	54.7	48.7	60.2	387.8	.0001
" " 31st	69.1	53.8	50.0	59.9	384.6	.0001
Week ending Jan. 7th	68.2	53.8	49.7	59.5	381.0	.00007
( " " 114th	70.3	56.2	50.6	61.5	X408.5	.0001
" " 21st	70.2	57.3	51,9	62.2	416.3	.00008
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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 a 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, at the mathematical average price of the week and who turns over his investments every week.

Purpose of Traders' and Investors' Index Numbers

X Revised Index Figures. / Corrections due to revision of stock lists and weights.

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 Tele-Power Number Iron Pulp Textiles and Mis-Transphone and Int of Total and and Mill-Oils and Allied Bever- cell-Total port-Tele-Trac-Util-Total australia Securities Steel Paper ing Clothing Products ages aneous ation graph tion rial itt Tutal 96 100.0 19 21 9 9 18 21 2 14 2 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 x1929 - High 311.0 383.8 118.2 267.4 416.8 110.1 193.8 201.4 507.2 160.6 125.6 163.6 192.7 213.3 191.5 250.0 235.4 Low 194.0 196.1 73.1 191.9 248.3 74.5 131.8 89.1 247.0 124.8 117.1 108.3 131.1 122.5 117.4 155.8 x1930 - High 222.1 192.5 296.6 231.3 73.4 77.2 144.8 95.7 328.8 142.3 138.1 113.7 163.3 151.8 185.3 136.4 178.6 Low 112.6 22.3 97.9 167.5 134.5 56.7 100.2 59.9 133.2 99.8 91.0 99.5 108.4 72.4 70.7 72.7 1931 January 124.7 143.7 23.8 107.6 190.8 65.9 112.0 69.3 141.0 107.3 102.2 106.7 115.6 83.6 80.5 90.9 108.0 Pebruary 129.3 102.1 184.5 149.5 22.8 65.5 123.4 159.6 75.1 111.6 114.9 109.4 124.2 85.3 84.9 09.2 114.0 Tarch 127.8 21.8 151.8 102.8 169.0 62.5 128.7 74.9 116.1 169.1 105.1 110.2 132.6 06.6 79.3 76.7 112.9 106.8 pril 126.7 18.1 86.2 137.0 59.3 122.6 67.2 140.5 104.3 92.0 108.4 121.3 67.8 70.0 69.1 97.7 : 89.0 ay 103.2 14.4 56.2 119.6 49.9 109.8 112.8 85.2 57.0 71.0 100.5 100.3 58.7 65.1 80.9w 55.1 June 91.1 99.1 13.6 127.2 53.0 49.7 106.0 55.7 116.0 65.9 80.4 101.3 95.1 63.8 59.8 50.0 80.0 July 91.06 101.6 13.9 72.4 131.2 50.6 114.1 56.7 120.2 81.7 65.1 103.2 99.0 69.3 71.0 71.4 03.0 94.4 Lugust 100.6 12.6 69.5 50.2 141.5 112.5 55.7 111.4 54.8 76.6 100.8 99.6 68.1 78.2 61.0 81.2 September 85.9 79.3 11.5 56.8 115.0 46.1 105.8 65.4 49.1 .93.4 44.1 95.4 06.5 49.1 50.0 41.2 67.2 October 74.3 . 78.3 10.6 57-5 107.4 45.4 101.0 45.3 \_86.2 60.1 30.8 90.1 81.2 48.0 60.0 37.5 62.0 88.8 ovember 86.6 12.2 132.3 69.5 46.1. 107.1 48.9 100.5 43.7 63.5 93.5 82.9 50.8 75.1 44.1 71.0 Jecember 74.3 77.2 10.7 65.9 108.7 45.2 98.9 42.1 87.7 59.3 38.0 90.5 80.3 51.5 64.8 39.7 63.0 74.6 Dec. 3rd 74.0 9.8 62.5 113.4 96.6 40.7 45.0 86.0 57.8 83.8 75.8 30.1 50.7 64.5 30.2 63.7 Dec. 10th 74.8 72.4 9.5 61.9 109.5 96.1 43.0 40.4 85.0 36.2 56.7 83.3 75.4 49.9 37.2 63.9 62.4 Jec. 17th 60.3 71.9 9.1 61.0 101.8 40.3 90.7 56.1 40.6 80.3 35.7 02.7 74.9 47.1 57.7 38.0 60.0 Dec. 24th 72.3 69.5 9.0 60.9 89.9 100.7 40.3 40.9 85.7 54.7 33.4 82.5 74.6 48.7 59.8 30.9 60.2 Jec. 31st 69.1 71.5 9.6 60.5 102.4 40.2 92.5 41.0 53.8 31.7 81.3 74.6 50.0 60.8 40.6 59.9 1932 +Jan. 7th 68.2 9:0 71.7 61.1 101.6 90.8 40.7 80:3 40.2 53.8 81.1 74.5 49.7 31.9 5.00 40.1 59.5 Jan. 14th 70:3 73.4 9.0 61:2 103.6 39.8 88:7 42.2 85.3 56.2 41.9 37.5 80.9 73.5 50.6 60.8 61.5 Jan. 21st 70.2 73.5 8.9 104,7 39.9 89.7 42.7 83.5 62.2 40.2 80.9 51.9 62.4 43.0 73.0 21/1/32/AH

<sup>.</sup> Weekly figures

<sup>-</sup> Corrections due to revision of stock lists and weights.

# NOTE ON CONSTRUCTION OF INVESTORS' INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

The following stocks because of mergers, receiverships, or other reasons, were dropped from the list of 124 carried in 1951: Ontario Steel Products, Stanfords, Canada Brewing, Simpson's "B", Canadian Converters, Ottawa Traction and Weston Ltd. There were added to the list the following: Beatty Bros., Canada Northern Power, Canadian Celanese, Consolidated Industries and Eastern Dairies.

These changes keep the index numbers representative of current conditions and were made in such a way as to maintain continuity of comparison.

Stocks now included in the investors' index numbers are:-

## Industrials (96)

Iron and Steel: (19) Beatty Bros., Canada Wire & Cable "A" and "B", Canadian Car and Foundry, Cockshutt Plow Co., Dominion Bridge, Dominion Steel and Coal "B", Dastern Steel Products, Enamel and Heating, Ford "A", General Steel Wares, Hamilton Bridge, Hayes Wheels, Kelvinator, Massey-Harris, National Steel Car, Fago Hersey, Standard Steel, Steel of Canada.

Pulp and Paper: (9) Abitibi, Bathurst Power & Paper, Canada Power and Paper, Donnacona, Praser, Hinde and Dauch, Howard Smith, Price Bros., St. Lawrence Corporation.

Milling: (5) Lake of the Woods, Maple Leaf, Ogilvie, St. Lawrence Flour, Western Canada Flour.

Oils: (4) British American Oil, Canadian Oil, Imperial Oil, McColl-Frontenac

Textiles and Clothing: (9) Bruck Silk, Canadian Celanese, Canadian Cottons, Cosmos Imperial, Dominion Textiles, Penmans, Riverside "A", Tip-Top Tailors, Wabasso Cotton.

Food and Allied Products: (21) Alberta Pacific Grain, Atlantic Sugar, Blue Ribbon, British Columbia Packers, Canada Bread, Canadian Bakeries, Canadian Canners, Consolidated Bakeries, Consolidated Food Products, Dominion Stores, Eastern Dairies, Panny Farmer Stores, Hunts "A", Imperial Tobacco, Loblaw, Laura Secord, Muirheads Cafe, Simon H. and Sons Ltd., Traymore, Viau Biscuit, Western Grocers.

Beverages: (8) Brewers and Distillers, Canadian Industrial Alcohol "A" and "B", Distillers Seagram, Chas. Gurd, National Ereweries, Orange Crush, Walkers C. & W.

Miscellaneous: (21) Asbestos Corporation, Building Products, P.N. Burt, Canadian Bronze, Canada Cement, Canadian Dredge and Dry Dock, Canadian General Electric, Consolidated Mining and Smelting, Dominion Glass, Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine, Hamilton United Theatres, International Nickel, C. W. Lindsay, Moore Corporation, Paramount Publix Corporation, Photo Engravers, Pressed Metals, G. W. Saddlery, Sherwin-Williams, Standard Chemical, Consolidated Industries.

### Domestic Utilities (18)

Transportation: (2) Canada Steamship Lines and Canadian Pacific Railway.

Telephone and Telegraph: (2) Bell Telephone and Montreal Telegraph.

Power and Traction: (14) British Columbia Power "A" and "B", Canada Northern Power Corp., Consumers' Gas, International Utilities "A" and "B", Montreal Light, Heat and Power, Montreal Tramways, Ottawa Light, Heat and Power, Power Corporation, Quebec Power, Shawinigan, Southern Canada Power, Winnipeg Electric.

#### Companies Located Abroad (8)

Industrials: (1) International Petroleum.

Utilities: (7) Barcelona Traction, Brazilian Light, Heat and Power, Poreign Power, International Power, Jamaica Public Service Ltd., Mexico Light, Heat and Power, Twin City.



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