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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 25th.

The "Investors" index of industrial common stocks was 66.7 for the week ending February 25th, as compared with 67.2 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 409.3 for the week ending February 25th, as compared with 406.6 for the previous week.

The "Investors" index of domestic utility common stocks was 55.2 for the week ending February 25th, as compared with 55.9 for the previous week.

The "Investors!" index of common stocks of companies located abroad in which Canadians are heavily interested was 51.4 for the week ending February 25th, as compared with 50.5 for the previous week.

The "Investors!" index for all three groups of common stocks combined was 60.0 for the week ending Pebruary 25th, as compared with 60.3 for the previous week.

Average weekly prices were lower for twelve, unchanged for four and higher for nine of the twenty-five stocks included in the Traders' Index. Bell Telephone fell from \$119.0 to \$109.8, Sherwin-Williams from \$14.2 to \$9.7, British Columbia Power "A" from \$24.0 to \$22.9, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from \$70.3 to \$69.1 and National Steel Car from \$10.0 to \$8.6. Brazilian rose from \$13.2 to \$13.9, C.P.R. from \$17.5 to \$17.8, Ford "A" from \$14.9 to \$15.7, Steel of Canada from \$20.4 to \$21.6 and Canadian Oil from \$10.0 to \$10.9.

Sales were lower for fourteen and higher for eleven stocks. Brazilian declined from 25,900 to 11,300, International Nickel from 19,000 to 9,700, Consolidated Hining and Smelting from 1,400 to 700, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from 1,000 to 300, Walkers from 12,500 to 7,700, NeColl-Frontenac Oil from 1,300 to 700 and Massey-Harris from 2,300 to 1,500. Bell Telephone mounted from 25 to 1,400, C.P.R. from 7,000 to 9,000, British Columbia Power "A" from 27 to 2,000, Sherwin-Williams from 50 to 600, Steel of Canada from 1,200 to 1,500 and National Steel Car from 100 to 500.

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<u>1926</u>	100	100	100	100	100
1929 Highest Weekly Figures	311.0	163.6	213.3	235.4	1255.4
Lowest Weekly Figures	194.0	124.8	122.5	155.8	714.8
1930					
Highest Weekly Figures	222.1	142.3	151.8	178.6	1037.2
Lowest Weekly Figures	112.6	99.8	70.7	100.6	569.4
1931 January	124.7	107.3	83.6	108.8	609.8
February	129.3	114.9	84.9	114.0	660.2
March	127.8	116.1	79.3	112.9	714.3
April	106.8	104.8	67.8	97.7	621.5
May	89.0	85.2	58.7	80.9	495.2
June	91.1	80.4	59.8	80.0	464.8
July	94.6	81.7	69.3	83.6	492.4
August	94.4	76.6	68.1	81.2	470.7
Sept ember	79.3	65.4	49.1	67.2	394.5
October	74.3	50.1	48.0	62.8	360.6
November	86.6	63.5	58.8	71.0	448.5
December	74.3	59.3	51.5	63.0	390.7
1932 January	73.7	59.1	54.3	63.2	402.8
Week ending January 7th	68.2	53.8	49.7	59.5	381.0
n n 14th	70.3	56.2	50.6	61.5	408.5
" " 2Ist	70,2	57.3	51.9	62.2	416.3
" " 28th	69.1	55.9	51.7	61.2	405.5
" " February 4th	67.8	55•3	50.8	60.3	400.2
" " 11th	65.9	54.8	49.7	59.2	387.8

Purpose of Traders' and Investors! Index Numbers

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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 lesses 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.

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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 ever a long period. COMPANTES ABROAD UTILITY INDUSTRIAL Food Tele- Power Transphone and In-Bever- Wis-Textiles and Pulp Mill-Iron Number cellport-Tele- Trac- Total dust= Util-Grand Total Allied ing Oils and ages and Total and of rial ity ation graph tion Total Clothing Products aneous Steel Paper Securities 8 122 8 21 18 14 21 2 2 4 96 9 19 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 .100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 1926 213.3 191.5 235.4 507.2 160.6 125.6 192.7 258.0 416.8 193.8 163.6 110.1 201.4 383.8 118.2 267.4 311.0 x1929 -High 155.8 122.5 117.4 124.8 117.1 108.3 131.1 138.1 89.1 247.0 248.3 131.8 73.1 191.9 74.5 196.1 194.0 Low 178:6 136.4 328.8 138.1 113.7 163.3 151.8 185.3 144,8 95.7 142.3 296.6 77.2 192.5 231.3 73.4 x1930 -High 222.1 99.5 108.4 70.7 72.4 72.7 100.6 133.2 99.8 91,0 59.9 167.5 56.7 100.2 22.3 97.9 112.6 134.5 Low 1931 108.8 106.7 115.6 80.5 141.0 107.3 83.6 90.9 102.2 190.8 65.9 112.0 69.3 107.6 124.7 143.7 23.8 January 84.9 85.3 89.2 114.0 111.6 124.2 75.1 114.9 109.4 184.5 65.5 123.4 159.6 22.8 102.1 129.3 149.5 February 86.6 112.9 116.1 105.1 110.2 132.6 79.3 76.7 102.8 169.0 62.5 128.7 74.9 169.1 21.8 127.8 151.8 March 97.7 108,4 121.3 67.8 70.0 69.1 92.0 122.6 67.2 140.5 104.8 59.3 18.1 137.0 106.8 86.2 April 126.7 80.9 100.5 100.8 58.7 65.1 55.1 85.2 71.0 109.8 112.8 119.6 57.0 56.2 49.9 103.2 14.4 May 89.0 101.3 95.1 59.8 63.8 58.8 80.0 65.9 55.7 80.4 116.0 127.2 49.7 106.0 99.1 53.0 91.1 13.6 June 83.6 69.3 71.4 w 65.1 103.2 99.0 71.0 114.1 56.7 81.7 131,2 50.6 120.2 13.9 72.4 101.6 July 94.6 81.2 78.2 99.6 68.1 61.0 54.8 55.7 76.6 100.8 141.5 112.5 111.4 50.2 69.5 94.4 100.6 12,6 August 67.2 49.1 58.8 41.2 65.4 95.4 86.5 44.1 105.8 49.1 93.4 115.0 46.1 85.9 11.5 56.8 79.3 September 62.8 81.2 48.0 60.0 37.5 38.8 90.1 101.0 45.3 88.2 60.1 57.5 107.4 45.4 78.3 10.6 October 74.3 75.1 71.0 93.5 82.9 58.8 44.1 48.9 63.5 43.7 46.1 107:1 100.5 12.2 69.5 132.3 88.8 November 86.6 63.0 90.5 80.3 51.5 64.8 39.7 87.7 59.3 38.0 108.7 45.2 98.9 42.1 77.2 10.7 65.9 74.3 December 1932 76.8 67.1 42.9 63.2 86.9 59.1 40.9 88.3 54.3 107.8 40.9 94.7 42.5 10.5 66.5 73.7 77.2 January 60.8 40.1 59.5 81.1 74.5 49.7 31.9 90.8 80.3 53.8 101.6 40.2 40.7 7th 68:2 71.7 9:0 61.1 January 41.9 61.5 60.8 50.6 80.9 73.5 88.7 42.2 85.3 56.2 37.5 39.8 103.6 61.2 14th 70.3 73.4 9.0 January 43.0 51.9 62.2 83.5 57.3 80.9 73.0 62.4 42.7 40,2 61.2 39.9 89-7 73.5 8.9 104.7 January 21st 70.2 61.2 80.9 71.1 51.7 61.8 43.2 39.0 42.5 80.9 55.9 89.3 8.8 61.2 103.8 39.8 72-6 January 28th 69.1 42.4 60.3 50.8 60.6 79.9 55.3 38.1 80.9 71.0 86.8 40.8 101.8 39.8 8.5 60.6 4th 67.8 71.3 Feb. 58.9 59.2 80.9 70.8 49.7 42.1 77.0 54.8 37.1 98.9 39.7 85.7 39.2 59.3

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