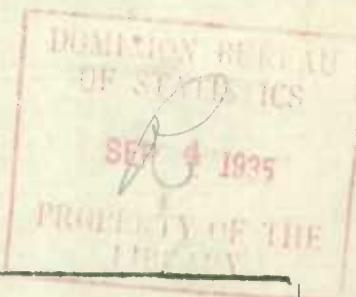


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RECENT WHOLESALE PRICE MOVEMENTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES  
THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1935.

GENERAL: A firm tendency was apparent in wholesale price levels during the second quarter of 1935. In most countries whose currencies fluctuate in line with the £ sterling, moderate advances occurred in wholesale price index numbers. The same was true of countries maintaining modified or recently devalued gold standards. Considerable increases were observed in Belgium and Italy, and further appreciation took place in the United States. There was little change within the European gold "bloc", except in the case of France where gradual declines were recorded. Chinese indexes also pointed to a moderate recession, while price levels in Japan fluctuated within narrow limits.

UNITED KINGDOM: (1930=100) The Board of Trade wholesale price index number for the United Kingdom was 88.4 for June as compared with 86.9 for March and 88.3 for January. The most pronounced price movements in the second quarter were among foods, with cereals and meats, fish, and eggs declining, while other foods advanced. Metals and wool also moved higher, although cotton prices declined.

UNITED STATES: (1926=100) The first appreciable let-up in the long gradual advance in wholesale prices which began in March 1933 became apparent in June 1935. A slight decline in this month was followed by another of equal proportions in July, the first occasion since the end of 1933 that decreases have occurred in two successive months. The July number of 79.4 compared with indexes of 80.2 in May, and 78.8 in January. The disparity between Canadian and United States wholesale price levels is now greater than it has been for many years since the Canadian index failed to follow the nine point rise of the official American series in 1934 and 1935. The reaction in June and July was chiefly attributed to lower quotations for farm products and foods.

FRANCE: (1913=100) The active pursuit of its deflationary programme by the French government was accompanied by a further slight decline in wholesale prices. This was most marked in the case of animal products; particular efforts it is said have been made to establish lower meat prices. It is of interest to note that animal product indexes advanced during the second quarter in nearby countries. Index numbers for January, March, and June were 350, 355, and 330 respectively.

GERMANY: (1913=100) Slight gains were recorded by the official German wholesale index during the second quarter, as indicated by the numbers of 100.7 for March and 101.2 for June. The gradual advance in German wholesale price levels since the beginning of 1933 has been mainly in the field of consumers' goods. At the beginning of 1934 indexes for consumers' and producers' goods were in approximate equilibrium, but a steady rise since that time in the consumers' group had carried it more than 10 points above the producers' index by July 1935 (Producers' 113.1 and Consumers' 123.8).

BELGIUM: (April 1914=100) Devaluation in the belga of 28 p.c. at the end of March was followed in the second quarter of 1935 by an advance of over 19 p.c. in the Belgian wholesale price index. This movement was shared by the majority of commodities, glass and tobacco being noteworthy exceptions. The index fell from 472 in January to 464 in March and then rose to 555 for June.

ITALY: (1913=100) Prices continued to move upward in the second quarter following substantial gains in the first three months of 1935. Vegetable products, textiles and minerals led the advance, while animal products, chemicals and building materials showed reactions in May. The general index for that month was 302.3 as compared with 288.3 in March, and 277.2 in January.

JAPAN: (1913=100) The Bank of Japan's wholesale price index receded gradually from 139.1 in February to 136.2 in June. Its highest point since the devaluation of the yen at the end of 1931 was 159.8, reached in January 1933.

RECENT COST OF LIVING MOVEMENTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES  
THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1935.

For the great majority of countries, cost of living indexes showed appreciable advances in the second quarter of 1935, due mainly to higher food prices. Seasonal declines in heating and lighting costs acted as a check upon the rising tendency in foods. For a limited number of countries, including the United Kingdom, France, Switzerland and Japan, June cost of living indexes were slightly lower than those for March, but in most of these, June indexes reflected firmness apparent elsewhere at an earlier date.

UNITED KINGDOM: (July 1914=100) The only group to register variations of any consequence in the Ministry of Labour series for the United Kingdom in the second quarter was foods. An index for this section declined from 125 in January to 118 in May, and then recovered to 120 for June. Corresponding numbers for the general index were 143, 139, and 140 respectively.

UNITED STATES: (1923=100) The National Industrial Conference Board index for the United States moved gradually lower from 83.2 in April to 82.7 in June (82.6 in July). It was 81.6 in January. The recent decline was attributable to lower prices for foods, clothing and fuel and lighting costs. Shelter costs and prices for sundry items required by the household advanced slightly.

FRANCE: (1914=100) Retail price indexes for Paris showed moderate reductions in the second quarter, with declines for foods and fuels being of greater consequence than those in other groups. The June index of 438 compared with figures of 447 and 460 for March and January respectively.

GERMANY: (1913-14=100) Higher prices for foods were chiefly responsible for continuation of a persistent advance in the official German cost of living index. Minor increases occurred also for clothing and miscellaneous items. In spite of the sustained rise the July index of 124.3 was only 7.7 points above the depression low touched in March and April, 1933. Indexes for January, March and June 1935, were 122.4, 122.2, and 123.0 respectively.

ITALY: (June 1927=100) Gradual increases in food prices were the principal factor in a moderate second quarter advance in the cost of living index for 30 Italian cities. The June number of 71.7 compared with indexes of 70.0 for March and 69.7 for January. The lowest point reached in the lengthy decline ending in 1934 was 68.8 for August of that year.

JAPAN: (July 1914=100) The retail price index for Tokyo varied little during the seven months ended July 1935. A gentle decline was registered by foods and fuels, with clothing and miscellaneous items showing little change. The July index of 149.5 compared with numbers of 149.9 for March, and 150.9 for January.

## INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT		NORTH AMERICA					UNITED STATES					
COUNTRY		CANADA					UNITED STATES					
Authority	Dominion Bureau of Statistics					Irving Fisher	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Bradstreet	Dun		Annalist	
	General Index	Consumers' Goods	Producers' Goods	Raw and Partly Mfd. Goods	Fully and Chiefly Mfd. Goods							
No. of Commodities	567 (c)	236 (d)	402(d)	245(d)	322(d)	200	784 (b)	106	200	72 Series		
Base Period	1926	1913	1926	1926	1926	1926	1925	1913	1913	1913	1913	
1913	64.0	100.0	61.9	67.4	63.8	64.0	69.8	9.2115	100	120.087	100	
1914	65.5	102.3	62.7	69.7	66.5	65.5	60.1	8.9034	97	122.211	101	
1919	134.0	209.2	118.7	139.0	131.5	132.5	138.6	18.6642	203	230.846	190	
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	155.7	156.8	154.4	18.8095	204	248.721	205	
1921	110.0	171.8	108.0	112.8	107.5	116.7	97.6	11.3696	123	170.451	141	
1922	97.3	152.0	95.1	99.1	94.8	100.5	96.7	96.7	12.1185	132	171.660	142
1923	98.0	153.0	93.7	97.0	91.1	103.1	101.1	100.6	13.4028	146	189.787	157
1924	99.4	155.2	93.2	99.5	94.8	101.9	98.9	98.1	12.8672	140	189.322	157
1925	102.6	160.3	97.2	104.9	100.8	103.8	105.2	130.5	13.9445	151	197.694	164
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	(b) 100.0	13.0207	141	189.398	157
1927	97.7	152.6	95.7	98.5	99.9	96.5	94.2	95.4	12.7787	139	187.092	155
1928	96.4	150.6	95.6	96.7	97.4	95.0	97.9	96.7	13.2823	144	194.521	161
1929	95.6	149.3	94.7	96.3	97.5	93.0	96.3	95.3	12.6727	138	191.043	158
1930	86.6	135.3	89.3	82.8	82.2	87.3	86.3	86.4	10.7451	117	174.453	144
1931	72.1	112.6	76.5	67.8	61.9	74.9	71.4	73.0	8.7604	95	147.353	122
1932	66.7	104.2	71.3	63.1	55.0	69.8	61.6	64.8	7.0949	77	134.303	111
1933	67.1	104.8	71.1	63.1	56.6	70.2	64.6	65.9	7.8557	85	144.661	120
1934	71.6	111.8	74.1	67.8	63.5	73.4	76.6	74.9	(a)	(a)	(a)	-
July	72.0	112.5	73.9	69.3	64.7	73.2	77.9	74.8	9.2351	100	167.156	138
August	72.2	112.8	73.9	70.1	65.3	73.6	78.3	76.4	9.3216	101	167.912	139
September	71.9	112.3	74.1	69.0	64.6	73.8	80.1	77.6	9.4778	103	169.188	140
October	71.3	111.4	73.8	67.9	64.4	73.0	79.1	76.5	9.4566	103	170.032	141
November	71.1	111.1	73.3	68.1	64.3	72.6	78.9	76.5	9.2791	101	168.005	139
December	71.1	111.1	73.2	68.4	64.3	72.7	78.7	76.9	9.2913	101	170.199	141
1935	71.4	111.5	73.4	68.5	64.9	73.7	81.0	78.8	9.4925	103	173.075	143
February	71.9	112.3	74.0	69.3	65.2	74.4	82.0	79.5	9.7800	106	176.770	146
March	72.0	112.5	73.7	69.3	65.5	74.3	81.3	79.4	9.7954	106	176.806	146
April	72.5	113.2	73.5	70.7	66.6	74.3	81.6	80.1	9.6643	105	172.461	143
May	72.3	112.9	73.2	70.6	66.5	73.3	82.3	80.2	9.7965	106	176.231	146
June	71.5	111.7	72.9	69.4	65.1	72.6	82.0	78.9	9.9070	108	174.314	144
July	71.5	111.7	73.1	68.9	65.2	72.8			9.8416	107	171.046	141

(a) First of month. (b) No. of commodities changed from 550 to 784 since January, 1926. (c) No. of commodities changed in 1926 from 236 to 502 and, in January, 1934 to 567. (d) No. of commodities changed from 204, 351, 232, 276 to 236, 402, 245 and 322 in January, 1934.

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CONTINENT	N. AMERICA		SOUTH AMERICA			EUROPE						GERMANY
	MEXICO	ARGENTINE	CHILE	PERU	Board of Trade	Economist	Statist	Times	Statistique Générale	Statistique Générale	Federal Statistical Office	
Authority	Official	Banco de la Nacion	Official	Official	Trade	Economist	Statist	Times	Statistique Générale	Statistique Générale	Federal Statistical Office	
No. of Commodities	32	108		58	150	58	58	45	60	45	126	400
Base Period	1929	1926	1913	1913	1930	1913	1927	1913	1913	July, 1914	1913	1913
1913		75.5	100	100		100		100	102		100	100
1914				104					100 July			99 July
1918				212				226.5		346		208 July
1919				220				241.9		364		339 July
1920				239	307.3			295.3	251.2(d)	520		1367 July
1921		108.2		205	197.2			182.4	162.1(d)	352		1428 July
1922		98.5		190	158.8			154.1	158.6(d)	334		10059 July
1923		101.8		189	158.9			151.8	169.1(d)	428		7470700 July
1924		109.5		192	166.2	158.9	115.7	164.0	179.3(d)	499		137.3(a)
1925		110.9		202	159.1	155.1	112.0	159.5	152.8(d)	561		141.8
1926		100.0		203	148.1	143.2	104.0	148.0	142.1(d)	718		134.4
1927		98.1		203	141.6	137.6	100.0	144.0	141.9(d)	630		137.6
1928		98.5	192.5	192	140.3	135.1	98.1	141.2	137.5(d)	634		140.0
1929	100.0	96.4	192.4	186	136.5	127.2	92.4	135.3	128.8(d)	623		137.2
1930	-	92.2	166.9	178	(e) 100.0	106.8	77.6	114.1	103.2(d)	543		124.6
1931	-	89.0	152.9	175	87.8	89.3	64.9	96.5	99.5(d)	462		110.9
1932	-	89.5	230.2	170	85.6	86.1	62.6	94.0	94.3(d)	407		96.5
1933	-	85.6	346.4	180	85.7	86.9	63.1	93.7	98.2(d)	388		93.3
1934		98.4	343.6	188	88.1	90.3	65.6	96.4		376		98.4
1934				(c)		(b)	(b)	(b)		(b)		
June	94.1	98.3	351.7	190	87.9	89.9	65.3	94.9	97.6	363		97.2
July	95.1	99.2	352.5	189	87.3	91.0	66.2	96.9	99.6	361		98.9
August	94.2	101.6	354.1	191	89.0	92.3	67.1	98.1	102.4	363		100.1
September	95.1	100.6	352.6	191	88.4	90.4	65.7	96.6	100.1	360		100.4
October	93.3	98.7	344.2	188	87.8	89.7	65.2	95.4		352		101.0
November	93.2	98.5	343.3	187	87.5	89.0	64.7	95.3		349		101.2
December	94.8	98.6	341.8	185	87.8	90.4	65.7	97.4		344		101.0
1935												
January	95.2	97.7	346.7	186	88.3	91.6	66.6	98.4		349		101.1
February	94.5	96.8	340.3	189	88.0	91.3	66.4	98.1		349		100.9
March	94.6	97.1	336.7	191	86.9	90.9	66.1	97.5		344		100.7
April	93.4	96.6	334.9	191	87.5	91.8	66.7	98.9		346		100.8
May	93.1		339.3	190	88.2	94.3	68.6	100.2		353		100.8
June				192	88.4	93.7	68.1	98.5		344		101.2
July					88.0					344		101.8

(a) Since 1924, new series. (b) End of month. (c) Fifteenth of month. (d) December. (e) Since January 1935, new series, 1930=100.

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## EUROPE

CONTINENT	AUSTRIA	SWITZERLAND	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	NORWAY	SWEDEN	DENMARK	ALBANIA	SPAIN
COUNTRY	Federal Statistical Office	Federal Labour Department	Ministry of Industry and Labour	Central Bureau of Statistics	Okonomistisk Revue	Official	Gotabergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Department	Official
Authority	Federal Statistical Office	Federal Labour Department	Ministry of Industry and Labour	Central Bureau of Statistics	Okonomistisk Revue	Official	Gotabergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Department	Director General of Statistics
No. of Commodities	47(b)	78	130	48	100	95	47	160	118
Base Period	January-July, 1914	July, 1914	April, 1914	Dec. 31/13 June 30/14	1913	1913	July 1/13 June 30/14	1913	1913
1913				100	100	100	100	100	100
1914		100 April	100 April	109	115	116			101
1919				304	322	330			204
1920				292	382	347	359		221
1921		200.1	366(c)	182	298	211	222		190
1922	99	157.9	367	160	233	162	173		176
1923	124	169.9	497	151	233	232	157	163	172
1924	136	171.2	573	156	269	268	155	162	183
1925	136	160.5	558	155	251	253	157	161	188
1926	123	144.5	744	145	196	198	144	149	181
1927	133	142.2	847	148	160	167	141	146	172
1928	130	144.6	843	149	155	157(e)	144	148	104
1929	130	141.2	851	142	148	149	134	140	171
1930	117	126.5	744	117	138	137	115	122	172
1931	109	109.7	626	97	123	122	105	111	174
1932	112	96.0	532	79	125	122	101	109	173
1933	108	91.0	501	74	124	122	100	107	57
1934	110	89.8	472	78	126	124		114	132
June	(d)	(a)	(f)			(d)			(51)
July	110	89.0	472	76	125	123	107	114	51
August	110	88.9	471	77	127	124	108	114	51
September	110	89.8	474	78	128	127		114	52
October	108	89.1	470	77	127	126		114	52
November	108	89.6	467	77	127	127		114	52
December	109	89.4	466	77	127	126		115	52
1935	109	89.0	468	78	128	125		115	51
January	110	88.3	472	78	128	125		115	52
February	109	87.6	466	77	129	125		115	52
March	109	86.4	464	75	130	126		115	53
April	109	87.1	531	76	130	125		115	53
May	110	87.6	552	75	125	126		115	131
June	111	88.6	555	75				116	130

(a) End of month. (b) No. of Commodities changed from 42 to 47. (c) Average of 5 months. (d) Fifteenth of month. (e) New series beginning 1928.

(f) Second half of month.

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## EUROPE

CONTINENT	ITALY	POLAND	FINLAND	LITHUANIA	LATVIA	YUGOSLAVIA	GREECE	ESTONIA	BULGARIA	HUNGARY	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	TURKEY
COUNTRY	Milan Bachi	Commerce Chamber of Commerce	Commerce Reports	Official	Official	National Bank	Official	Official	Official	Official	General Bureau of Statistics	Official
No. of Commodities	150	125	238	135	139	88	61	55	60	44	55	52
Base Period	1913	1913	1926	1913	1926	1913	1913	1926	Jan. 1913- July 1914	1913	1914	1913- July, 1914
1913	100	100		100		100	100			100		100
1914				103						100		100 July
1920				1183								
1921	531	517(e)		1263								
1922	508	529		1219								
1923	512	536		1095								
1924	512	554		1100								
1925	596	646		1129 (d)								
1926	603	656		1086	100	134		100.0		114	2,947	124
1927	495	527		1133	101	134		103.4		114	3,017	132
1928	462	491	100.0	1110	102	134	128.6	106.2		121	3,237	135
1929	445	481	96.3		98	129	119.9	100.6	1,811	117	3,447	121(c)
1930	383	411	85.5		90	108	101.9	86.6	1,646	102	2,788	96
1931	328	342	74.6		84	94	84.8	72.9	1,471	91	2,332	95
1932	304	310	65.5.		90	76	85.1	65.2	1,766	83	2,071	92
1933	280	283	59.1		89	68	83.7	64.4	1,997	85	1,821	76
1934			55.8				83.0	63.2	1,969	85	1,873	79
June	(a)	(f)	(a)				(a)			(f)	(a)	(b)
July	272	275	55.8	89		82.0	65.6	1,936	85	1,853	81	80.5
August	270	273	55.9	89		83.0	62.8	1,956	83	1,891	79	85.1
September	271	275	55.8	90		83.0	61.1	1,984	83	1,937	81	83.9
October	270	275	55.0	90		83.0	63.2	2,001	81	1,931	83	84.0
November	272	276	54.5	90		84.0	63.6	2,005	82	1,951	82	83.8
December	274	277	53.6	90		83.0	62.7	1,994	82	1,910	83	84.2
1935	276	279	53.5	90		86.0	62.3	1,994	83	1,882	84	84.2
January	277	280	52.7	90		88.0	64.4	1,996	83	1,902	86	84.5
February	278	282	52.2	90		87.0	63.9	1,986	83	1,895	86	85.1
March	288	289	52.1	90		86.0	63.0	1,998	82	1,891	85	85.3
April	296	299	52.2	90		85.0	62.9	1,987	80	1,946	86	84.9
May	302		52.8	90			-	1,974	81	1,907	88	85.7
June			52.6	90			63.9			87	88.0	

(a) End of month. (b) First of month. (c) Since January, 1929, new index. (d) Since March 1932, compiled according to the new gold parity.

(e) Average of eight months. (f) Average last week of month.

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CONTINENT	ASIA						OCEANIA		AFRICA		
	INDIA		DUTCH EAST INDIES	INDO-CHINA	CHINA		JAPAN	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
Authority	Department of Statistics Calcutta	Labour Office Bombay	Official	Statistique generale Saigon	Ministry of Industries North-China	National Tariff Commission Shanghai	Bank of Japan	Commonwealth Statistician Melbourne	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Department of Statistics Cairo
No. of Commodities	72	43	92	37	100	154	56	92	180	188	23
Base Period	July, 1914	July, 1914	1913	1913	1926	1926	1913	1913	1909-1913	1913	Jan. 1, 1913- July 31, 1914
1913		100	100	68			100.0	100.0		100.0	
1914	100(a)	100(a)	98(a)	67			95.5	105.6	1053	96.9	
1919	196	223	248	81			235.9	188.9	1782	164.8	231
1920	201	216	279	89			259.4	227.9	2092	223.3	216
1921	178	198	191	89	104.6		200.4	174.9	1942	160.4	173
1922	176	187	170	87	98.6		195.8	161.6	1665	128.4	146
1923	172	181	173	90	102.0		199.1	178.7	1598	126.6	132
1924	173	182	173	93	97.9		206.5	173.3	1634	128.7	143
1925	159	163	166	97	99.3		201.7	169.5	1627	127.6	152
1926	148	149	159	100	100.0		178.9	168.4	1553	123.3	132
1927	148	147	154	103	104.4		169.8	167.0	1478	124.0	121
1928	145	146	149	108	101.7		170.9	164.7	1492	120.7	120
1929	141	145	148	111	104.5		166.2	165.7	1488	115.1	116
1930	116	126	134	116	114.8		137.0	146.7	1449	102.6	104
1931	96	109	105	128	126.7		115.6	131.3	(e) 1346	99.5	97
1932	91	109	86	117	113	112.4(d)	121.7	129.7	1297	91.5	84
1933	87	98	71	107	101		103.8	135.6	1308	91.5	70
1934		95					97.1	134.2	1330	101.7	87
1934	(b)			101			(b)		(c)		
June	90	96	67	99	89		95.7	131.9	134.5	1337	-
July	89	95	66	99	91		97.1	131.6	136.3	1336	98.0
August	89	96	67	100	95		99.8	133.7	137.9	1342	-
September	89	96	67	102	93		97.3	135.4	137.2	1337	-
October	89	95	68	95	92		96.1	137.4	137.2	1338	98.6
November	88	96	67	96	93		98.3	136.8	135.1	1340	99
December	88	98	67	95	95		99.0	136.8	134.1	1338	96
1935											98
January	94	100	67	95	96		99.4	137.1	134.1	1345	95.5
February	90	99	66	95	97		99.9	139.1	133.4	1360	-
March	87	98	65	94	96		96.4	138.6	132.6	1365	-
April	88	98	55	95	95		95.9	137.7	132.7	1367	92.8
May	91	99	55	96	95		95.0	137.8	1371		92
June				95			92.1				94
July											

(a) July, end of month. (c) Fifteenth of month. (d) Average for ten months only. (e) Revised since January, 1931. (f) Monthly average.

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Continent	North America				Europe							
	Canada		United States		United Kingdom		Irish Free State			France		
Nature of Index	Dominion Foods	Bureau of Statistics Cost of Living	Bureau of Labor Statistics Foods	National Industrial Conference Board Cost of Living	Ministry of Labour Foods	Cost of Living	105 Towns & Localities Foods	Cost of Living	300 Towns Foods	Paris Foods	Paris Cost of Living	
	(c)	(c)	(a)	(b)	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	(g)	(i)	(g)		
Base Period	1926	1926	1923(a)	1923								
1913			68.4									
1914	68.9	66.0	70.0	60.2	100	July	100	July	100	July	100 July	
1919	122.5	107.2	127.3	104.5							291	
1920	141.1	124.2	139.1	119.4							260	
1921	107.9	109.2	104.8	102.7	230	226					386	
1922	91.4	100.0	96.8	97.3	176	183	191	188			371	
1923	92.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	169	174	188	184			342	
1924	90.7	98.0	99.8	101.5	170	175	190	186			309	
1925	94.7	99.3	107.7	103.8	171	176	193	190			337	
1926	100.0	100.0	109.8	103.8	164	172	179	185			296	
1927	98.1	98.4	106.4	101.6	160	168	170	175			332	
1928	98.6	98.9	105.6	100.4	157	166	169	174			334	
1929	101.0	99.9	107.2	100.0	154	164	169	176			406	
1930	98.6	99.2	100.6	96.2	145	158	160	171			380	
1931	77.3	80.6	83.1	86.7	130	147	147	161			369	
1932	64.3	81.4	69.9	77.7	125	143	141	157			425	
1933	63.7	77.7	68.1	74.8	140	131	151	151			400	
1934	69.4(e)	78.7(e)	(f)	(f)	(e)	141					554	
July	68.4	78.2	75.2	79.1	122	141	(f)	(f)	(b)	(f)	505	
August	69.3	78.5	76.5	79.6	123	142	134	152	470	77.0	511	
September	68.8	78.8	79.9	81.0	126	143					74.4	
October	69.4	79.1	79.1	80.9	125	143					75.7	
November	69.9	79.3	78.8	80.8	127	144	143	157	461	75.1	504	
December	69.3	78.9	78.4	80.8	127	144					73.9	
1935											72.9	
January	68.8	78.8	81.1	81.6	125	143					72.7	
February	69.2	78.9	83.5	82.4	124	142	136	153			70.5	
March	69.5	78.8	83.3	82.4	122	141					69.4	
April	68.6	78.6	85.4	83.2	119	139					69.0	
May	68.7	78.7	85.1	82.9	118	139		151			67.8	
June	69.3	78.8	84.2	82.7	120	140					490	
July	69.3	78.8										

(a) Original base, 1913=100. Index for 1923 on 1913 base, 146.2. (b) Monthly average. (c) Recalculated on 1926 base. (d) Average of quarter.

(e) First of month. (f) Fifteenth of month. (g) Prior to 1926; 13 commodities, including alcohol and petroleum; corresponding figures for 1929; Paris, 611; other towns, 583. (h) Since 1929; 55 foodstuffs; base 1930. (i) 300 towns of more than 10,000 inhabitants, excluding Paris. Since 1929: 29 foodstuffs.

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CONTINENT		EUROPE												
COUNTRY	GERMANY	BELGIUM		POLAND		CZECHOSLOVAKIA		GREECE		HUNGARY		BULGARIA		
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 72 Towns	Foods 72 Towns	Cost of Living 59 Localities	Foods	Cost of Living Warsaw	Foods Warsaw	Cost of Living Prague	Foods Prague	Cost of Living 44 Towns	Foods 44 Towns	Cost of Living Budapest	Foods Budapest	Cost of Living 12 (67) Towns(n)	Foods
Base Period	1913/1914	1913/1914	1921	1921	1928	1928	July, 1914	July, 1914	1914	1914	1913	1913	1914	1914
1913					(c)	(c)	(d)	(d)	(m)	100	100	100	100	100
1914							100(g)	100(g)	100	100			100	100
1920	1065(g)	1252(g)												
1921	1250(g)	1491(g)	100	100						398	393		1,409	1,766
1922	5392(g)	6836(g)	93	90						636	632		1,899	2,337
1923	3765100(g)	4651000(g)	109	106		692(f)	769(f)	1,181	1,213				1,868	2,399
1924	(e) 127.6	(a) 126.3	128	127		695	787	1,235	1,271	199(j)	145(j)	2,057	2,705	
1925	139.8	147.8	136	137		724	827	1,414	1,455	112	132	2,339	3,024	
1926	141.2	144.4	165	171		716	800	1,633	1,673	103	155	2,871	2,813	
1927	147.6	151.9	203	208	99.5	747	850	1,790	1,843	100	126	2,814	2,751	
1928	151.7	152.3	208	207	100.0	748	842	1,868	1,929	118	131	2,875	2,883	
1929	153.8	154.5	220	218	101.4	744	813	1,923	1,987	117	124	2,941	2,992	
1930	147.3	142.9	228	209	94.4	83.7	746	782	1,682	1,719	106	105	2,690	2,439
1931	135.9	127.6	204	176	85.9	73.9	713	712	1,671(1)	1,576(1)	101	96	2,329	1,913
1932	120.9	112.3	184	150	78.2	64.9	700	677	1,773	1,697	98	91	2,137	1,765
1933	118.5	109.9	182		71.2	58.0	693	657	1,903	1,857	91	81	1,986	1,680
1934					66.5	685							(h)	(h)
June	121.5	115.5	(k)	(k)	(b)	(b)	(e)	(e)				(b)	(b)	
July	122.9	117.8	170	137	65.8	51.2	695	653	1,916		90	80	1,894	1,681
August	123.3	118.5	175	143	65.9	51.5	693	653	1,910		89	77	1,905	1,709
September	122.5	116.7	176	143	66.4	52.1	691	648	1,921		89	78	1,898	1,683
October	122.0	119.3	178	149	65.7	51.4	685	633	1,943		89	78	1,898	1,690
November	122.3	119.5	179	150	65.6	51.4	686	633	1,993		88	76	1,832	1,711
December	122.2	119.1	174	144	64.2	49.4	682	625	1,952		88	76	1,846	1,720
1935					63.5	48.6	679	622	1,955		88	76	1,839	1,720
January	122.4	119.4	173	142	63.6	48.7	678	620	1,965		88	76		
February	122.5	119.5	170	138	62.9	48.0	681	625	1,949		89	77		
March	122.2	118.8	165	131	62.5	47.4	684	629	1,939		89	78		
April	122.3	119.0	167	133	62.4	47.2	684	630	1,937		89	78		
May	122.8	120.2	169	136	63.0	48.5	689	643	1,948		89	78		
June	123.0	120.6	173	141	63.8	49.6	707	679			90	80		
July	124.3	122.9	175	144			710							

(a) Since 1924, new series in Reichsmark prices. (b) Last week of month. (c) New Series. (d) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (e) Middle week of month. (f) Average for last seven months. (g) July. (h) Monthly average. (j) December. (k) Fifteenth of month. (l) Prior to 1931: old series 106 towns. (m) Prior to 1931: excluding clothing and rent. (n) Yearly figures 1921-1930: 65 towns, 1931-32: 67 towns, monthly figures, 12 towns.

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CONTINENT	EUROPE											
	ROMANIA		YUGOSLAVIA		ITALY				AUSTRIA		SWITZERLAND	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 20 Towns	Foods 20 Towns	Cost of Living 3 Towns	Foods 3 Towns	Cost of Living Milan	Foods Milan	Cost of Living 50 Towns	Foods 50 Towns	Cost of Living Vienna	Foods Vienna	Cost of Living 34 Towns	Foods 34 Towns
Base Period	1913	1913	July, 1914	July, 1914	Jan.-June, 30, 1914	Jan.-June 30, 1914	June, 1927	June, 1927	July, 1914	July, 1914	June, 1914	June, 1914
1913	1,000	1,000			(e)	(e)			100(h)	100(h)	100(f)	100(f)
1914			1,000	1,000(h)					2,374		222	224
1919									4,828		224	242
1920									15,476(c)	57,600	200	213
1921	1,305(i)				541	559			460,733	539,783	164	163
1922	1,708				501	515			74(a)	1250,108	164	165
1923	2,500				494	499				1480,583	169	172
1924	2,985				527	528				1612,150	168	169
1925	3,250				611	622				116(a)	162	160
1926	3,552				654	655				103	119	158
1927	3,855				588	559				106	119	160
1928	3,964		1,756	1,423	530	517	92.2	93.7	108	119	161	157
1929	4,244		1,819	1,446	545	543	93.9	96.0	111	122	161	156
1930	(4,206)	(4,046)	1,654	1,318	530	519	90.7	90.6	111	118	158	152
1931	3,004(j)	2,796(j)	1,523	1,202	485	452	81.9	79.1	106	108	150	141
1932	2,512	2,323	1,374	1,076	468	431	78.1	74.4	108	110	138	126
1933	2,319	2,163	1,191		449		74.7	70.2	105		131	117
1934			1,114		430				105		129	115
			(k)		(d)		(d)	(d)	(b)		(g)	(g)
1934												
June	2,214	-	1,134	-	419	-	69.1	65.1	105	102	129	115
July	2,217	-	1,106	-	420	-	69.1	65.0	104	100	129	115
August	2,222	-	1,091	-	416	-	68.8	64.6	104	100	129	114
September	2,226	-	1,073	-	416	-	69.0	65.0	105	101	129	114
October	2,226	-	1,070	-	418	-	69.2	65.4	105	101	129	114
November	2,263	-	1,081	-	421	-	69.7	66.4	105		129	115
December	2,271	-	1,090	-	424		69.9	66.9	105		129	114
1935												
January	2,401		1,103		421		69.7	66.5	105		128	113
February	2,471		1,098		423		69.9	66.7	104		127	112
March	2,530		1,098		423		70.0	66.9	104		127	112
April	2,556		1,104		425		70.9	68.5	103		127	111
May			1,112				71.3	68.8	104		126	111
June							71.7	69.5	106		127	113
July												

(a) Gold Index, since 1926; new series. (b) Middle of month. (c) December. (d) Average from 16th of previous month to 15th of current month. (e) Since 1927, new series. (f) June. (g) Last week of month. (h) July. (i) Jan.-June, 1929, 71 towns, excluding rent. (j) Since 1931, new method of calculation. 1930 figures are not comparable with other years. First of following month.

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CONTINENT COUNTRY	EUROPE												LITHUANIA			
	NORWAY		SWEDEN		DENMARK		NETHERLANDS		FINLAND		ESTONIA		LATVIA			
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 31 Towns	Foods 31	Cost of Living 49 Towns	Foods 49	Cost of Living 100 Localities	Foods Towns	Cost of Living Amsterdam	Foods Amsterdam	Cost of Living 21 Towns	Foods Towns	Cost of Living Tallinn	Foods Tallinn	Cost of Living Riga	Foods Riga	Cost of Living 84 Towns	Foods 84
Base Period	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	July, 1914	1911-13	1911-13	Jan.-June 1914	Jan.-June 1914	1913	1913	1930	1930	1913	1913
1913		(j)		(j)												
1914	100(h)	100(h)	100(h)	100(h)							100	100			100	100
1918		219(h)		258(h)												
1919		257(h)		318(h)												
1920	300	319	270(h)	287(h)												
1921	277	295	236(h)	231(h)	232	227	202	217	1,171	1,254	85(h)	104(h)				
1922	231	231	190(h)	178(h)	200	184	182	184	1,139	1,143	91(h)	98(h)				
1923	218	217	174(h)	158(h)	206	189	174	171	1,147	1,079	102(h)	115(h)			110	
1924	239	250	171(h)	155(h)	216	204	177	176	1,170	1,093	94(h)	106(h)			136	
1925	243	256	176(h)	168(h)	211	201	179	176	1,212	1,147	107	118			151	
1926	206	197	172(h)	156(h)	184	160	168(c)	161(c)	154(f)	145(f)	106	118			141	146
1927	186	173	169(h)	148(h)	177	152	168	163	158	146	105	112			141	145
1928	173(a)	168(a)	173(h)	156(h)	175	150	159	166	161	150	112	120			137	144
1929	166	158	169(h)	148(h)	173	148	168	162	160	147	117	126			134	142
1930	161	152	164(h)	138(h)	165	136	161	150	147	127	104	103	100	100	115	117
1931	153	139	158(h)	127(h)	155	120	151	136	135	113	100(g)	91(g)	91	89	105	102
1932	149	134	156(h)	124(h)	155	116	141	119	134	117	94	80	79	75	88	85
1933	147	131	153(h)	120(h)	161	-	139	119	131	117	88	77	76	-	75	-
1934	148	(i)	(i)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	140	128	114	(d)	(d)			72	70
June	148	132	-	-	-	-	-	126	111	88	77	77	-		73	-
July	148	133	155	123	166	-	140	-	126	112	88	77	76	-	72	-
August	150	136	-	-	-	-	-	-	129	115	86	75	71	-	69	-
September	149	135	-	-	-	-	-	-	129	116	85	73	70	-	66	-
October	149	135	155	125	169	-	140	-	130	118	84	72	78	-	66	-
November	149	134	-	-	-	-	-	-	133	123	85	72	74	-	65	-
December	149	134	-	-	-	-	-	-	131	120	85	72	69	-	64	-
1935																
January	148	133	155	124	169	-	139		130	119	86	74	67		63	
February	149	134	-	-	-	-	-	-	129	117	87	77	69		63	
March	149	135	-	-	-	-	-	-	128	116	87	76	68		62	
April	149	135	155	126	171		137		128	116	87	76	71		62	
May	150	136	-	-	-	-	-	-	127	114	86	75			61	
June	150	138	-	-	-	-	-	-	128	116	-				60	
July		156	129													

(a) Since 1928, new series. (b) First of month. (c) Since March, 1926, new series. (d) End of month. (f) Since date of stabilization, gold index.

(g) Revised from May, 1931. (h) July. (i) Fifteenth of month. (j) New method of calculation since 1932.

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CONTINENT	EUROPE				AFRICA				ASIA									
	SPAIN		PORTUGAL		EGYPT		SOUTH AFRICA		PALESTINE		TURKEY		INDIA		DUTCH E. INDIES		INDO-CHINA	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living Madrid	Foods Madrid	Cost of Living Entire Country	Foods	Cost of Living Cairo	Foods Cairo	Cost of Living 9 Towns	Foods 9 Towns	Cost of Living 3 Towns	Foods Istanbul	Cost of Living Istanbul	Foods	Cost of Living Bombay	Foods Bombay	Cost of Living Java & Madura	Foods	Cost of Living Saigon	Foods Saigon
Base Period	1914	1914	June 1914	June 1914	Jan. 1913-July, 1914	Jan. 1913-July, 1914	1914	1914	January 1922	1914	1914	1914	July 1914	July 1914	1913	1913	1925	1925
1913															100	100		
1914	100	100	1,000(c)	1,000(c)														
1919	174				202	224(a)	100	100		1,000	1,000	100(a)	100(a)					
1920	190				237	281(a)	145					186(a)	187(a)					
1921	189	184			196	196(a)	162	145				190(a)	188(a)					
1922	181	177			176	172(a)	135	119	88.2			177(a)	174(a)	213	216			
1923	177	174			162	152(a)	131	117	76.6			165(a)	160(a)	173	172			
1924	184	188			161	148(a)	133	120	79.4			153(a)	148(a)	160	158			
1925	189	195			165	158(a)	133	120	83.8			157(a)	151(a)	167	166			
1926	187	191			160	158(a)	131	110	82.1			157(a)	152(a)	166	165	100	100	
1927	189	196			153	147(a)	131	110	77.4			157(a)	155(a)	174	174	99	99	
1928	176	178	3,030		152	144	131	117	73.7			156(a)	154(a)	160	158	103	103	
1929	181	185	2,361	2,362	151	146	131	115	69.4	1,381	1,381	1,555	1,48(a)	145(a)	158	157	113	112
1930	187	194	2,243	2,241	148	141	120	110	61.4	1,272	1,272	1,292	140(a)	136(a)	152	121	117	
1931	196	205	1,990	1,906	130	123	123	105	55.3	1,203	1,203	1,114	106(a)	100(a)	106	102	105	92
1932	187	192	1,949	1,948	132	112	118	96	56.6	1,172	1,172	1,030	109(a)	102(a)	90	76	92	76
1933	180		1,948		125	101	115	99	54.9	1,047	1,047	924	103(a)	95(a)		85	69	
1934	(b)	(b)					116		1,031				(d)	(d)		78	60	
June	181	-	1,942		125	105	116	104	53.7	1,028	-	95	85	-	-	-	-	
July	181	-	1,905		127	112	116	103	54.7	1,031	-	97	87	-	-	-	-	
August	183	-	1,965		128	113	116	104	55.2	1,026	-	97	87	-	-	77	59	
September	181	-	2,042		132	122	116	103	56.9	988	-	100	90	-	-	-	-	
October	186	-	2,089		131	120	116	104	55.7	997	-	100	91	-	-	-	-	
November	189	-	2,023		130	117	116	103	57.1	993	-	101	92	-	-	78	61	
December	184	-	1,985		130	116	116	102	56.4	986	-	99	90	-	-	-	-	
1935																		
January	184	-	1,986	-	128	115	116	-	55.7	975	-	98	88	-	-	-	-	
February	-	-	1,965	-	129	115	116	-	56.0	965	-	99	90	-	-	78	62	
March	-	-	1,962	-	129	115	116	-	54.1	953	-	98	89	-	-	-	-	
April	-	-	1,996	-	129	115	116	-	54.2	946	-	98	88	-	-	-	-	
May	-	-	1,975	-	127	111	116	-	-	955	-	100	90	-	-	-	-	
June	-	-	-	-	127	110	116	-	-	-	-	101	92	-	-	-	-	
July	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

(a) July. (b) Middle of Month. (c) June. (d) Average from sixteenth of current month to fifteenth of following month.

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CONTINENT	ASIA				OCEANIA				SOUTH AMERICA					
	CHINA		JAPAN		AUSTRALIA		NEW ZEALAND		PERU		CHILE			
Nature of Index	Cost of Living Peiping	Foods Peiping	Cost of Living Shanghai	Foods Shanghai	Cost of Living Tokio	Foods Tokio	Cost of Living 30 Towns	Foods and Groceries 30 Towns	Cost of Living 25 Towns	Foods 25 Towns	Cost of Living Lima	Foods Lima	Cost of Living Santiago	Foods Santiago
Base Period	1927	1927	1926	1926	July, 1914	July, 1914	1923-1927	1923-1927	1926-1930	1926-1930	1913	1913	1928	1928
1913											100	100		
1914					100 July	100 July	68.7	64.1	62.8 July	70.3	104	107		
1919									91.2	102.7	188	188		
1920									101.9	116.5	210	208		
1921									103.4	113.4	199	183		
1922					236	257	96.7	94.4	95.2	95.8	190	174		
1923					221	228	99.6	101.1	95.9	96.5	180	166		
1924					221	233	98.0	97.2	98.4	100.5	187	168		
1925					218	236	99.1	100.2	100.4	103.0	200	179		
1926	102.0	103.7	100.0	100.0	199	217	100.6	102.7	101.0	102.6	201	182		
1927	100.0	100.0	106.7	106.7	189	211	99.7	100.4	100.1	98.3	194	177		
1928	101.6	101.5	102.5	92.1	184	202	100.3	98.9	100.6	100.4	181	161	(108)	(116)
1929	106.5	107.6	107.9	98.4	181	203	102.6	104.7	100.4	101.3	177	159	109	119
1930	109.6	111.8	121.8	118.8	155	173	97.1	94.6	98.1	97.4	169	157	108	115
1931	95.8	92.5	125.9	107.5	136	151	87.0	83.0	90.6	84.4	158	148	104	103
1932	91.2	85.4	119.1	101.3	137	158	82.8	80.0	83.8	77.5	151	143	113	114
1933	81.0	72.4	107.2	86.9	146	161	80.3	75.4	79.7	71.3	148			
1934	79.5	69.9	106.2	86.4	149	164	81.6				150			
June	75.1	64.5	98.5	75.4	148	162	-		77.7	80.9	151	149	141	
July	78.7	68.3	106.9	90.2	147	161	-		77.9	81.1	150	148	142	
August	85.6	78.4	115.7	102.8	148	162	81.7		78.9	80.7	154	155	141	
September	85.2	77.1	118.1	106.7	149	163	-		79.1	80.6	152	151	143	
October	83.8	75.3	113.3	98.9	150	164	-		80.5	80.6	152	152	138	
November	79.3	69.2	108.8	89.7	149	164	82.0		79.5	81.0	154	153	143	
December	79.5	69.8	110.4	90.4	150	166			79.4	81.4	150	146	147	
1935														
January	83.2	74.8	110.9	90.8	151	168	-		80.0	81.8	150	143	142	
February	84.0	75.4	109.0	91.0	151	169	82.4		79.8	82.6	151	145	136	
March	82.9	74.4	104.8	85.7	150	166			79.5	82.7	152	148	138	
April	82.0	73.8	106.1	88.6	149	165			79.5	82.9	151	145	139	
May	84.2	76.4	105.6		150	166			80.2	83.3	152	148	140	
June	84.2	76.5	105.9		148	163					153			
July					150	165								

(a) Average of quarter. (b) Middle of month. (c) Since October, 1933, including heating.

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