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

GENERAL: The third quarter of 1935 witnessed a further gradual advance in commodity price levels. The movement was broader than in the earlier months of the year, including within its sweep the European gold 'bloc' as well as countries whose currencies are linked with the £ sterling, and the United States. Higher prices for animal products and textiles led the advance, although in many areas, increases were general in all the more important commodity groups. The only group in which declines commonly occurred was that of vegetable products which is dominated by cereal grains.

UNITED KINGDOM: (1930=100) A gradual increase in the third quarter carried the Board of Trade wholesale index to the highest point reached during the recovery movement. It was 89.6 for September as compared with 88.4 in June, and 86.9 in March, the low point of the year. Practically all commodity groups contributed to the autumn advance, the lead being taken by cereals and meats.

UNITED STATES: (1926=100) A slight reaction of two months duration was followed in August and September by a resumption in the advance of prices which commenced in March 1933. The recent gains were not general, being limited chiefly to farm products, foods, textiles, and building materials. The fuel and lighting group declined fractionally. General wholesale indexes at the end of each of the first three quarters were - March 79.4, June 79.8, and September 80.7.

FRANCE: (1913=100) At 322 in July, the French wholesale price index was at the lowest level in post-war years. Subsequent recovery to 332 in September, however, placed it close to the average of the preceding months in 1935. This advance which was most pronounced in animal and vegetable products continued into October when the index was 342, and practically approximated in its proportion an earlier advance in 1933, when prices in most parts of the world commenced to move upward. Current indexes, however, are still 10 p.c. below the lowest level of 1933.

GERMANY: (1913=100) The gradual second quarter advance was continued throughout the third quarter, the September index of 102.3 being the highest since December 1931. Vegetable products moved moderately lower, but most other groups registered fractional increases.

BELGIUM: (April 1914=100) Following the first upward reaction in prices after the belga was devalued late in March, the Belgian wholesale index tended to stabilize at a level about 19 p.c. above the extreme low of 464 recorded for March 1935. It moved forward again in September, however, to 560 as compared with 552 in August, foods and metals leading this secondary advance.

ITALY: (1913=100) Further gains for animal products, textiles and metals carried Bachis's wholesale price index for Italy upward to 329.5 for September. This compared with 307.8 in June, and represented a rise of more than 20 p.c. for the first three quarters of 1935.

JAPAN: (1913=100) The Bank of Japan wholesale price index for Tokyo swung upward again in the third quarter of 1935 to reach 142.7, the highest point of an irregular advance which followed devaluation of the yen in December 1931. An earlier peak of 139.8 in January 1933 was followed by a recession that was not terminated until the summer months of 1934. This latest advance has carried the index upward from 131.6 to 142.7.

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

Living costs continued to advance during the third quarter of 1935, and for some countries including the United Kingdom, Belgium, and Japan, increases were of substantial proportions. As during the preceding quarter, higher food prices were chiefly responsible for the continued movement upward.

Living cost indexes in many cases are approximately upon a par with those of 1932, although they remain very much lower than in 1929. Within the European gold 'bloc', current levels are considerably below those of 1933, when prices commenced to move upwards in most other countries.

UNITED KINGDOM: (July 1914=100) Sharp increases in food prices and a minor rise in rentals were of greater consequence than moderate declines for fuel and clothing costs between June and September. The Ministry of Labour index mounted from 140 to 143 during this interval.

UNITED STATES: (1923=100) Minor advances in all groups, with the exception of clothing, were responsible for a moderate increase in the National Industrial Conference Board index for the United States. It moved up fractionally from 84.2 in June to 84.8 in September, the highest point reached in the long gradual advance which started from the depression low of 71.5 in April 1933.

FRANCE: (1930=100) A Paris index of retail prices continued downward during the third quarter of 1935, as the result of small reductions for foods, fuels, and clothing. Foods fell from 67.8 to 65.9, fuels from 87.2 to 85.2, and clothing from 59.8 to 57.0. An appreciable upturn in foods and fuels occurred in October.

GERMANY: (1913-14=100) The official German index has changed very little in recent months. It rose gradually from 122.4 in January to 124.5 in August, and then dropped back to 123.4 in September. A decline in the food group from 123.2 to 120.9 was mainly responsible for this reaction.

ITALY: (June 1927=100) The Italian cost of living index for 30 towns has remained practically stationary since June. It was 71.7 for that month and 71.9 in September.

JAPAN: (July 1914=100) Sharp increases in food prices have resulted in a rise in the Tokyo retail price index from 148.3 in June to 154.4 in September. Other budget groups remained practically unchanged.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT COUNTRY	NORTH AMERICA										UNITED STATES			
	CANADA					UNITED STATES					Dun		Annalist	
Authority	Dominion Bureau of Statistics		Raw and Partly Mfd. Goods			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	64.0	100.0	61.9	67.4	63.8	64.8	69.8	9.2115	100	120.887	100			
1914	65.5	102.3	62.7	69.7	66.5	65.5	68.1	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	12.1185	132	171.660	142			
1923	98.0	153.0	93.7	97.3	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	169.322	157		
1925	102.6	160.3	97.2	104.9	100.8	103.8	105.2	130.5	13.9445	151	197.694	164	158.9	
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	(b) 100.0	13.0207	141	189.398	157	150.2	
1927	97.7	152.6	95.7	98.5	99.9	96.5	94.2	95.4	12.7787	139	187.092	155	144.7	
1928	96.4	150.6	95.6	96.7	77.4	95.0	97.9	96.7	13.2823	144	194.521	161	149.0	
1929	95.6	149.3	74.7	96.3	97.5	93.0	96.3	95.3	12.6727	138	191.043	158	145.6	
1930	86.6	135.3	89.3	82.8	82.2	87.3	86.3	86.4	10.7451	117	174.453	144	127.6	
1931	72.1	112.6	76.5	67.8	61.2	74.9	71.4	73.0	8.7604	95	147.353	122	104.1	
1932	66.7	104.2	71.3	63.1	55.0	69.8	61.6	64.8	7.0949	77	134.303	111	91.1	
1933	67.1	104.8	71.1	63.1	56.6	70.2	64.6	65.9	7.8557	85	144.661	120	94.9	
1934	71.6	111.8	74.1	67.8	63.5	73.4	76.6	74.9	(a) 9.2195	(a)	(a) 166.082	(a)	113.2	
October	71.3	111.4	73.8	67.9	64.4	73.0	79.1	76.5	9.4566	103	170.032	141	116.3	
November	71.1	111.1	73.3	68.1	64.3	72.6	78.9	76.5	9.2791	101	168.005	139	116.4	
December	71.1	111.1	73.2	68.4	64.3	72.7	78.7	76.9	9.2913	101	170.199	141	118.0	
1935														
January	71.4	111.5	73.4	68.5	64.9	73.7	81.0	78.8	9.4925	103	173.075	143	122.6	
February	71.9	112.3	74.0	69.3	65.2	74.4	82.0	79.5	9.7800	106	176.770	146	124.3	
March	72.0	112.5	73.7	69.3	65.5	74.3	81.3	79.4	9.7954	106	176.806	146	123.5	
April	72.5	113.2	73.5	70.6	66.6	74.3	81.6	80.1	9.6643	105	172.461	143	125.8	
May	72.3	112.9	73.2	70.6	66.5	73.3	82.3	80.2	9.7965	106	176.231	146	126.0	
June	71.5	111.7	72.9	69.3	65.1	72.6	82.0	79.8	9.9070	108	174.314	144	123.2	
July	71.5	111.7	73.1	68.7	65.2	72.8	82.1	79.4	9.8416	107	171.046	141	123.6	
August	71.6	111.8	73.0	69.2	65.2	72.4	83.8	80.5	9.9185	108	171.511	142	126.8	
September	72.3	112.9	73.3	70.2	67.2	72.4	85.1	80.7	10.0085	109	170.859	141	127.6	
October	73.1	114.2	74.2	70.6	68.0	73.4							129.2	

(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 COUNTRY	N. AMERICA MEXICO	SOUTH AMERICA			EUROPE						FRANCE	GERMANY
		ARGENTINE Banco de la Nacion	CHILE	PERU	UNITED KINGDOM			Statistique Générale	Statistique Générale	Federal Statistic Office		
Authority	Official		Official	Official	Board of Trade	Economist	Statist	Times				
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	100	102	100	100
1914				104						100 July		99 July
1918				212						346		208 July
1919				220						364		339 July
1920				239 (f) 307.3						520		1367 July
1921		108.2		205	197.2					352		1428 July
1922		98.5		190	158.8					334		10059 July
1923		101.8		189	158.9					428		7478700 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	695	134.4
1927		98.1		203	141.6	137.6	100.0	144.0	141.9(d)	630	642	137.6
1928		98.5	192.5	192	140.3	135.1	98.1	141.2	137.5(d)	634	645	140.0
1929	100.0	96.4	192.4	186	136.5	127.2	92.4	135.3	128.8(d)	623	627	137.2
1930	-	92.2	166.9	178 (e) 100.0	106.8	77.6	114.1	103.2(d)		543	554	124.6
1931	-	89.0	152.9	175	87.8	89.3	64.9	96.5	99.5(d)	462	502	110.9
1932	-	89.5	230.2	170	85.6	86.1	62.6	94.0	94.3(d)	407	427	96.5
1933	-	85.6	346.4	180	85.7	86.9	63.1	93.7	98.2(d)	388	398	93.3
1934	-	98.4	343.6	188	88.1	90.3	65.6	96.4		366	376	98.4
1935			(c)		(b)	(b)	(b)				(b)	
September	95.1	100.6	352.6	191	88.4	90.4	65.7	96.6	100.1	360	365	100.4
October	93.3	98.7	344.2	188	87.8	89.7	65.2	95.4		352	357	101.0
November	93.2	98.5	343.3	187	87.5	89.0	64.7	95.3		349	356	101.2
December	94.8	98.6	341.8	185	87.8	90.4	65.7	97.4		344	344	101.0
January	95.2	97.7	346.7	186	88.3	91.6	66.6	98.4		349	350	101.1
February	94.5	96.8	340.3	189	88.0	91.3	66.4	98.1		349	343	100.9
March	94.6	97.1	336.7	191	86.9	90.9	66.1	97.5		344	335	100.7
April	93.4	96.6	334.9	191	87.5	91.8	66.7	98.9		346	336	100.8
May	93.1	96.5	339.3	190	88.2	94.3	68.6	100.2		353	340	100.8
June	93.6	96.1	339.6	192	88.4	93.7	68.1	98.5		344	330	101.2
July	95.5	95.5	342.4	191	88.0	93.0	68.1	99.2		334	322	101.8
August	94.8			189	88.4	96.1	67.6	98.9		343	330	102.4
September				187	89.6		69.9			346	333	102.3
October												

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

(f) 1920-29, base 1913=100

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CONTINENT COUNTRY	EUROPE										
	AUSTRIA	SWITZERLAND	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	NORWAY		SWEDEN		DENMARK	ALBANIA	SPAIN
Authority	Federal Statistical Office	Federal Labour Department	Ministry of Industry and Labour	Central Bureau of Statistics	Ekonomisk Revue	Official	Götbergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Department	Official	Official	Director General of Statistics
No. of Commodities	47 (b)	78	130	48	100	95	47	160	118	23	74
Base Period	January - July, 1914	July, 1914	April, 1914	1913	Dec. 31/13-June 30/14.	1913	July 1/13-June 30/14	1913	1913	1927	1913
1913				100	100	100		100			
1914		100 April	100 April	109	115	116					100
1919				304	322	330					101
1920				292	382	347					204
1921		200.1	366 (c)	182	298	211					221
1922	99	157.9	367	160	233	162	359				190
1923	124	169.9	497	151	233	232	157	173			176
1924	136	171.2	573	156	269	268	155	163			172
1925	136	160.5	558	155	251	253	157	162			183
1926	123	144.5	744	145	196	167	144	161	210		188
1927	133	142.2	847	148	160	167	141	149	163		181
1928	130	144.6	843	149	155	157 (e)	144	148	153	100	172
1929	130	141.2	851	142	148	149	134	140	150	100	167
1930	117	126.5	744	117	138	137	115	122	130	88	171
1931	109	109.7	626	97	123	122	105	111	114	90	172
1932	112	96.0	532	79	125	122	101	109	117	74	173
1933	108	91.0	501	74	124	122	100	107	125	57	159
1934	110	89.8	472	78	126	124		114	132	51	163
1934	(d)	(e)	(f)			(d)				(a)	
September	108	89.1	470	77	127	126		114	135		
October	108	89.6	467	77	127	127		114	135	52	160
November	109	89.4	466	77	127	126		115	136	52	162
December	109	89.0	468	78	128	125		115	135	52	163
1935											165
January	110	88.3	472	78	128	125		115	135	52	168
February	109	87.6	466	77	129	125		115	135	52	165
March	109	86.4	464	75	130	126		115	132	53	
April	109	87.1	531	76	130	125		115	132	53	
May	110	87.6	552	75	131	125		115	131	53	
June	111	88.6	555	75	132	126		116	130	54	
July	112	89.9	553	74	133	127		116	131	55	
August	111	91.4	552	73	133	128		115	134	55	
September	110	92.2	560	75	133	128		115	136	56	

(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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CONTINENT		EUROPE												
COUNTRY		ITALY	POLAND	FINNLND	LITHUANIA	LATVIA	YUGOSLAVIA	GREECE	ESTONIA	BULGARIA	HUNGARY	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	TURKEY	
Authority	Bachi	Milan Chamber of Commerce	Commerce Reports	Official	Official	Official	National Bank	Offic- ial	Offic- ial	Offic- ial	Offic- ial	General Bureau of Statistics	Offic- ial	
No. of Commodities	150	125	238	135	139	88	61	55	60	44	55	52	126	52
Base Period	1913	1913	1928	1913	1926	1913	1913	1926	Jan. 1913-July 1914	1913	1914	1913	July, 1914	1913-1914
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		1088	100	134		100.0		114	2,947	124		
1927	495	527		1133	101	134		103.4		114	3,017	132		1262
1928	462	491	100.0	1110	102	134	128.6	106.2		121	3,237	135		1296
1929	445	481	96.3		98	129	119.9	100.6	1,811	117	3,447	121(c)		1316
1930	383	411	85.5		90	108	101.9	86.6	1,646	102	2,788	96	118.6	1000
1931	328	342	74.6		84	94	84.8	72.9	1,471	91	2,332	95	107.9	859
1932	304	310	65.5		90	76	85.1	65.2	1,766	83	2,071	92	99.7	738
1933	280	283	59.1		89	68	83.7	64.4	1,997	85	1,821	76	96.2	648
1934	273	276	55.8				83.0	63.2	1,969	85	1,873	79		
1934	(a)	(f)	(a)					(a)			(f)	(a)	(b)	
September	270	275	55.0		90		83.0	63.2	2,001	81	1,931	83	84.0	681
October	272	276	54.5		90		84.0	63.6	2,005	82	1,951	82	83.8	706
November	274	277	53.6		90		83.0	62.7	1,994	82	1,910	83	84.2	731
December	276	279	53.5		90		86.0	62.3	1,994	83	1,882	84	84.2	736
1935														
January	277	280	52.7		90		88.0	64.5	1,996	83	1,902	86	84.5	734
February	278	282	52.2		90		87.0	63.9	1,986	83	1,895	86	85.1	725
March	288	289	52.1		90		86.0	63.0	1,998	82	1,891	85	85.3	709
April	296	299	52.2		90		85.0	62.9	1,987	80	1,946	86	84.9	682
May	302	304	52.7		90		85.0	64.0	1,974	81	1,907	88	85.7	674
June	308	315	52.6		90		85.0	63.9	1,966	82	1,896	87	86.1	680
July	310	319	52.9		90		85.0	63.3	1,986	81	1,892	90	88.0	
August	323	329	53.6		90			64.8	1,998	83	1,887	89	86.0	
September	330	337	54.2		91			67.0				92	86.0	
October													85.6	

(a) End of month. (b) First of month. (c) Since January, 1929, new index. (d) Since March 1934, compiled according to the new gold parity.

(e) Average of eight months. (f) Average of 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(a)	100(a)	100	100	68	100.0	100.0	100.0	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	93.6	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	132	97	99.3	201.7	169.5	1627	127.6	152	
1926	148	149	159	131	100	100.0	178.9	168.4	1553	123.3	132	
1927	148	147	154	142	103	104.4	169.8	167.0	1478	124.0	121	
1928	145	146	149	144	108	101.7	170.9	164.7	1492	120.7	120	
1929	141	145	148	150	111	104.5	166.2	165.7	1488	115.1	116	
1930	116	126	134	150	116	114.8	137.0	146.7	1449	102.6	104	
1931	96	109	105	128	123	126.7	115.6	131.3	(e) 1346	99.5	97	
1932	91	109	86	117	113	112.4(d)	121.7	129.7		91.5	84	
1933	87	98	71	107	101	103.8	135.6	129.5	1308	91.5	70	
1934	89	95	67	101	92	97.1	134.2	135.2	1330	101.7	87	
1934	(b)					(b)			(c)			
September	89	96	67	102	93	97.3	135.4	137.2	1337	-	102	
October	89	95	68	95	92	96.1	137.4	137.2	1338	98.6	99	
November	88	96	67	96	93	98.3	136.8	135.1	1340	-	96	
December	88	98	67	95	95	99.0	136.8	134.1	1338	-	98	
1935												
January	94	100	67	95	96	99.4	137.1	134.1	1345	95.5	100	
February	90	99	66	95	97	99.9	139.1	133.4	1360	-	100	
March	87	98	65	94	96	96.4	138.7	132.6	1365	-	96	
April	88	98	65	95	95	95.9	137.8	132.7	1367	92.8	92	
May	91	99	66	96	95	95.0	137.8	134.0	1371	-	92	
June	91		65	95	93	92.1	136.2	134.7	1383	-	94	
July	91			94	92	90.5	136.2	135.9	1395	95.0	95	
August	89			92	92	91.9	138.2		1403		96	
September							142.7					
October												

(a) July, (b) 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 Bureau of Statistics Foods	Bureau of Cost of Statistics Foods Living	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	
Base Period	1926	1926	1923(a)	1923	July, 1914	July, 1914						July, 1914
1913	(c)	(c)	68.4									(g)
1914	68.9	66.0	70.0	60.2	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July
1919	122.5	107.2	127.3	104.5					291	260		
1920	141.1	124.2	139.1	119.4					386	371	342	
1921	107.9	109.2	104.8	102.7	230	226			374	337	309	
1922	91.4	100.0	96.8	97.3	176	183	191	188	317	301	296	
1923	92.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	169	174	188	184	349	332	334	
1924	90.7	98.0	99.8	101.5	170	175	190	186	406	380	369	
1925	94.7	99.3	107.7	103.8	171	176	193	190	450	425	400	
1926	100.0	100.0	109.8	103.8	164	172	179	185	571	554	505	
1927	98.1	98.4	106.4	101.6	160	168	170	175	551	556	514	
1928	98.6	98.9	105.6	100.4	157	166	169	174	537	549	519	
1929	101.0	99.9	107.2	100.0	154	164	169	176	609	102.2(h)	556	
1930	98.6	99.2	100.6	96.2	145	158	160	171	609	100.0	581	
1931	77.3	89.6	83.1	86.7	131	147	147	161	605	98.8	569	
1932	64.3	81.4	69.9	77.7	126	143	141	157	535	87.6	526	
1933	63.7	77.7	68.1	74.8	120	140	131	151	501	82.9	520	
1934	69.4	78.7	75.9	79.4	122	141	135	152	(b)	78.0		
1934	(e)	(e)	(f)	(e)	(e)	(f)	(f)	(f)		(f)	(d)	
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												
January	68.8	78.8	81.1	81.6	125	143	-	-		72.9	-	
February	69.2	78.9	83.5	82.4	124	142	136	153		72.7	494	
March	69.5	78.8	83.3	82.4	122	141	-	-		70.5	-	
April	68.6	78.6	85.4	83.2	119	139	-	-		69.4	-	
May	68.7	78.6	85.1	82.9	118	139	132	151		69.0	-	
June	69.3	78.8	84.2	82.7	120	140	-	-		67.3	490	
July	69.3	78.8	83.3	82.6	126	143	-	-		66.6	-	
August	71.3	79.4	83.7	83.0	126	143	140	156		65.4	-	
September	70.9	79.6	-	83.5	125	143	-	-		65.9	-	
October	72.4	80.4	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	

(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 1929; 13 commodities, including alcohol and petroleum; corresponding figures for 1929; Paris: 611; other towns, 503. (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													
	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 32 (o)	Foods Towns (n)
Base Period	1913/1914	1913/1914	1921	1921	1928	1928	July, 1914	July, 1914	1914	1914	1913	1913	1914	1914
1913							(d)	(d)	(m)		100			
1914							100(g)	100(g)	100	100	100		100	
1920	1065(g)	1252(g)											100	
1921	1250(g)	1491(g)	100	100									1,766	
1922	5392(g)	6836(g)	93	90									2,337	
1923	3765100(g)	4651000(g)	109	106			692(f)	769(f)	1,181	1,213			1,868	
1924	(a) 127.6	(a) 126.3	128	127			695	787	1,235	1,271	199(j)	145(j)	2,057	
1925	139.8	147.8	136	137			724	827	1,414	1,455	122	132	2,339	
1926	141.2	144.4	165	171			716	800	1,633	1,673	103	155	2,024	
1927	147.6	151.9	203	208	99.5		747	850	1,790	1,843	100	126	2,871	
1928	151.7	152.3	208	207	100.0		748	842	1,868	1,929	118	131	2,813	
1929	154.0	154.5	220	218	101.4		744	813	1,923	1,987	117	124	2,875	
1930	148.1	142.9	228	209	94.4	83.7	786	782	1,682	1,719	106	105	2,690	
1931	136.1	127.6	204	176	85.9	73.9	713	712	1,671(i)	1,576(l)	101	96	2,329	
1932	129.6	112.3	184	150	78.2	64.9	700	677	1,773	1,697	98	91	2,137	
1933	119.0	109.9	182	150	71.2	58.0	692	657	1,903	1,857	91	81	1,986	
1934	121.1	116.2			66.5		685	633	1,945	1,878	89	77		
1934			(k)	(k)	(b)	(b)	(e)	(e)			(b)	(b)	(h)	
September	122.5	116.7	176	143	65.7	51.4	685	633	1,943		89	78	1,898	
October	122.0	119.3	178	149	65.6	51.4	686	633	1,993		89	72	1,832	
November	122.3	119.5	179	150	64.2	49.4	682	625	1,952		88	76	1,840	
December	122.2	119.1	174	144	63.5	48.6	679	622	1,955		88	76	1,839	
1935													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	122.3	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	1,934		90	80		
July	124.3	122.9	175	144	65.7	52.6	710	685	1,937		93	85		
August	124.5	123.2	177	147	65.1	51.7	710	686	1,945		94	86		
September	123.4	120.9	182	154	65.6	52.2	704	671			93	85		
October			186	160										

(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 of last seven months. (g) July. (h) Monthly average. (j) December. (k) Fifteenth of month. (l) Prior to 1931: old series 100 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)						
1914			1,000	1,000(h)					100(h)	100(h)	100(f)	100(f)
1919									2,374		222	224
1920									4,828		224	242
1921	1,305(i)				541	559			15,476(c)	57,600	200	213
1922	1,708				501	515			460,733	539,783	164	163
1923	2,500				494	499			74(a)	1250,108	164	165
1924	2,985				527	528				1480,583	169	172
1925	3,250				611	622				1612,150	168	169
1926	3,552				654	655			103	116(a)	162	160
1927	3,855				588	559			106	119	160	158
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		447		74.7	70.2	105		131	117
1934	2,235	2,087	1,114		430		70.9	66.9	105		129	115
1934			(k)		(d)		(d)	(d)	(b)	(b)	(g)	(g)
September	2,226	2,080	1,073	-	416	-	69.0	65.0	105	101	129	114
October	2,226	2,082	1,070		418		69.2	65.4	105	101	129	114
November	2,263	2,114	1,081		421		69.7	66.4	105		129	114
December	2,271	2,151	1,090		424		69.9	66.9	105		129	115
1935											129	114
January	2,401	2,276	1,103		421		69.7	66.5	105		128	113
February	2,471	2,353	1,098		423		69.9	66.7	104		127	112
March	2,530	2,414	1,098		423		70.0	66.9	104		127	112
April	2,556	2,444	1,104		425		70.8	68.4	103		127	111
May	2,594	2,488	1,112		426		71.2	68.7	104		126	111
June			1,116		430		71.7	69.5	106		127	113
July			1,094		430		72.0	69.6	105		128	115
August			1,077		433		71.7	69.1	105		129	116
September							71.9	69.5	105		129	116
October												

(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. (i) 1921-1929; 71 towns, excluding rent. (j) Since 1931, new method of calculation.
 1930 figures are not comparable with other years (k) First of following month. (h) July

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CONTINENT	EUROPE															
	NORWAY		SWEDEN		DENMARK		NETHERLANDS		FINLAND		ESTONIA		LITHUANIA			
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 31 Towns	Foods 31 Towns	Cost of Living 49 Towns	Foods 49 Towns	Cost of Living 100 Localities	Foods	Cost of Living Amsterdam	Foods Amsterdam	Cost of Living 21 Towns	Foods 21 Towns	Cost of Living Tallinn	Foods Tallinn	Cost of Living Riga	Foods Riga	Cost of Living 84 Towns	Foods 84 Towns
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)								100	100			100	100
1914	100(h)	100(h)	100(h)	100(h)												
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	156	146	105	112			141	145
1928	173(a)	168(a)	173(h)	156(h)	175	150	169	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	150(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	132	155(h)	123(h)			140		128	114	87	76	72		70	
1934	(i)	(i)	(b)	(b)	(b)		(b)			(d)	(d)					
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	72		61	
June	150	138	-	-	-	-	-		128	116	85	73	79		60	
July	151	140	156	129	172		136		130	119	87	76	79		59	
August	152	141	-						132	122	87	76	76		59	
September	152	140	-						132	121					59	
October		157														

(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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	SPAIN		PORTUGAL		EGYPT		SOUTH AFRICA		PALESTINE		TURKEY		INDIA		JAVA & MADURA		SAIGON		
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	1913	1914	1914	June 1914	June 1914	Jan. 1913	Jan. 1913	July 1914	Jul. 1914	1914	January 1922	1914	1914	July 1914	July 1914	1913	1913	1925	1925
1913	100	100	1,000(c)	1,000(c)			100	100			1,000	1,000	100(a)	100(a)	100	100			
1914	174				202	224(a)	145						186(a)	187(a)					
1919	190				237	281(a)	179						190(a)	188(a)					
1920	189	184			196	196(a)	162	145					177(a)	174(a)	213	216			
1921	181	177			176	172(a)	135	119	88.2				165(a)	160(a)	173	172			
1922	177	174			162	152(a)	131	117	76.6				153(a)	148(a)	160	158			
1923	184	188			161	148(a)	133	120	79.4				157(a)	151(a)	167	166			
1924	189	195			165	158(a)	133	120	83.8				157(a)	152(a)	166	165	100	100	
1925	187	191			160	158(a)	131	118	82.1				157(a)	155(a)	174	174	99	99	
1926	189	196			153	147(a)	131	118	77.4				156(a)	154(a)	160	158	103	103	
1927	176	178	3,030	152	144	131	117	73.7					147(a)	143(a)	148	148	106	104	
1928	181	185	2,361	2,362	151	146	131	115	69.4	1,381	1,555	1,481	145(a)	158	157	113	112	-12	
1929	187	194	2,243	2,241	148	141	128	110	61.4	1,272	1,292	1,40(a)	136(a)	152	152	121	117		
1930	196	205	1,990	1,986	138	123	123	105	55.3	1,203	1,114	108(a)	100(a)	106	102	105	92		
1931	187	192	1,949	1,948	132	112	118	96	56.6	1,172	1,030	109(a)	102(a)	80	76	92	76		
1932	180		1,948		125	101	115	99	54.9	1,047	924	103(a)	95(a)			85	69		
1933	184				127	110	116	104		1,031	912	97(a)	87(a)			78	60		
1934	(b)	(b)										(d)	(d)						
September	181	-	2,042	-	132	122	116	103	56.9	988	925	100	90	-	-	-	-	-	
October	186	-	2,089	-	131	120	116	104	55.7	997	947	100	91	-	-	-	-	-	
November	189	-	2,123	-	130	117	116	103	57.1	993	908	101	92	-	-	78	61		
December	184	-	1,985	-	130	116	116	102	56.4	986	887	99	90	-	-	-	-	-	
1935																			
January	184	-	1,986	-	128	115	116	102	55.7	975	903	98	88	-	-	-	-	-	
February	187	-	1,965	-	129	115	116	102	56.0	965	895	99	90	-	-	78	62		
March	183	-	1,962	-	129	115	116	102	54.1	953	876	98	89	-	-	-	-	-	
April	188	-	1,996	-	129	115	116	103	54.2	946	874	98	88	-	-	-	-	-	
May	-	-	1,975	-	127	111	116	103	53.9	955	898	100	90	-	-	-	-	-	
June	-	-	1,973	-	127	110	116	104	54.0	951	900	101	92	-	-	80	-	-	
July	-	-	1,989	-	130	116	116	102	-	938	863	101	-	-	-	-	-	-	
August	-	-	-	-	129	113	115	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77	-	-	
September	-	-	-	-	-	115	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
October	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

(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				
COUNTRY	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 July	100 July	68.7	64.1	62.8 July	70.3	100	100			
1914									91.2	102.7	104	107			
1919									101.9	116.5	188	188			
1920									103.4	113.4	210	208			
1921					236	257	96.7	94.4	95.2	95.8	199	183			
1922					221	228	99.6	101.1	95.9	96.5	180	174			
1923					221	233	98.0	97.2	98.4	100.5	187	168			
1924					218	236	99.1	100.2	100.4	103.0	200	179			
1925									101.0	102.6	201.	182			
1926	102.0	103.7	100.0	100.0	199	217	100.6	102.7	100.1	98.3	194	177			
1927	100.0	100.0	106.7	106.7	189	211	99.7	100.4	100.6	100.4	181	161	(108)	(116)	
1928	101.6	101.5	102.5	92.1	184	202	100.3	98.9	100.4	101.3	177	159	109	119	
1929	106.5	107.6	107.0	98.4	181	203	102.6	104.7	100.4	101.3	157	157	108	115	
1930	109.6	111.8	121.8	118.8	155	173	97.1	94.6	98.1	97.4	169	148	104	103	
1931	95.8	92.5	125.9	107.5	136	151	87.0	83.0	90.6	84.4	158	143	113	114	
1932	91.2	85.4	119.1	101.3	137	158	82.8	80.0	83.8	77.5	151	139	140		
1933	81.0	72.4	107.2	86.9	146	161	80.3	75.4	79.7	71.3	148	139			
1934	79.5	69.9	106.2	86.4	149	164	81.6				150	148			
1934					(b)	(b)	(a)				(b)	(b)			
September	85.2	77.1	118.1	106.7	149	163	-		79.1	80.6	77.1	152	151	143	
October	83.8	75.3	113.3	98.9	150	164	-		80.5	80.6	77.1	152	152	138	
November	79.3	69.2	108.8	89.7	149	164	82.0		79.5	81.0	78.0	154	153	143	
December	79.5	69.8	110.4	90.4	150	166	-		81.4	81.2	150	146	147		
1935															
January	83.2	74.3	110.9	90.8	151	168	-	80.0	81.8	79.8	149	143	142		
February	84.0	75.4	109.0	91.0	151	169	82.4	79.8	82.6	82.1	151	145	136		
March	82.9	74.4	104.8	85.7	150	166	-	79.5	82.7	81.9	152	148	138		
April	82.0	73.8	106.1	88.6	149	165	-	79.5	82.9	82.4	151	145	139		
May	84.2	76.4	105.6	88.6	150	166	82.7	80.2	83.3	82.9	152	145	140		
June	84.2	76.5	105.9	89.5	148	163	-	80.5	83.6	83.6	153	148	140		
July	86.9	80.2	105.2	90.3	150	165	-	81.2	83.2	82.6	152	147	141		
August	87.3	81.8	104.6	88.6	152	172	-	82.0	83.6	82.8	153	149	-		
September	84.1	77.1	105.4	-	154	177	-	82.6	-	-	152	-	-		
October	-	-	-	-	154	175	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

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

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