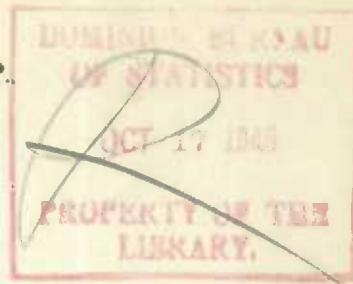


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WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS

FIRST HALF OF 1945

World wholesale price index numbers continued to show small changes in the first half of 1945. These were usually net gains of less than 2 p.c. However, declines were recorded by wholesale price series for Calcutta, India and for Mexico.

It is of interest to note the contrasts and parallels in price levels approximately six years after the outbreak of hostilities in World Wars I and II. In June, 1920, the post-war inflationary movement had reached its crest about a year and a half after the armistice. In June, 1945, post-war re-adjustment still remained ahead. Available comparisons for these two periods follow.

WARTIME INCREASES IN WHOLESALE PRICE LEVELS

	World War I Pre-war level to 1920 peak	World War II August, 1939- June, 1945
	p.c.	p.c.
Australia	142	45
Canada	149	43
India	113	193
New Zealand	114	46
South Africa	130	59
Sweden	212	77
Switzerland	226	106
United Kingdom	210	73
United States	140	41

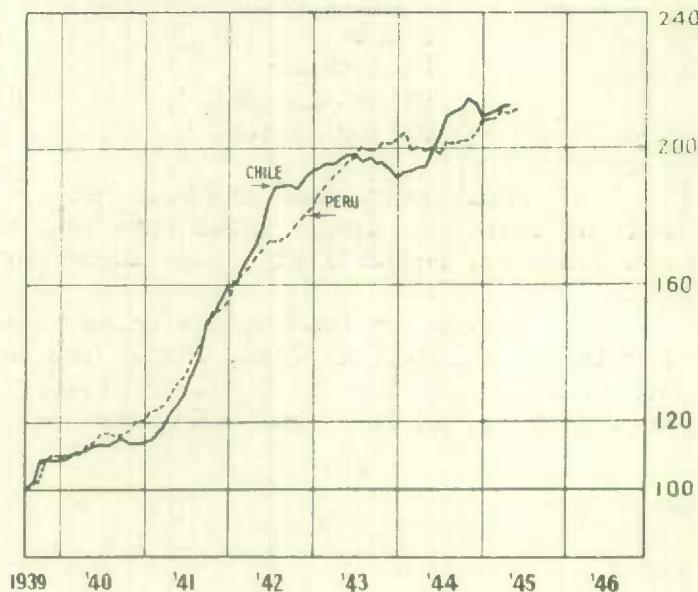
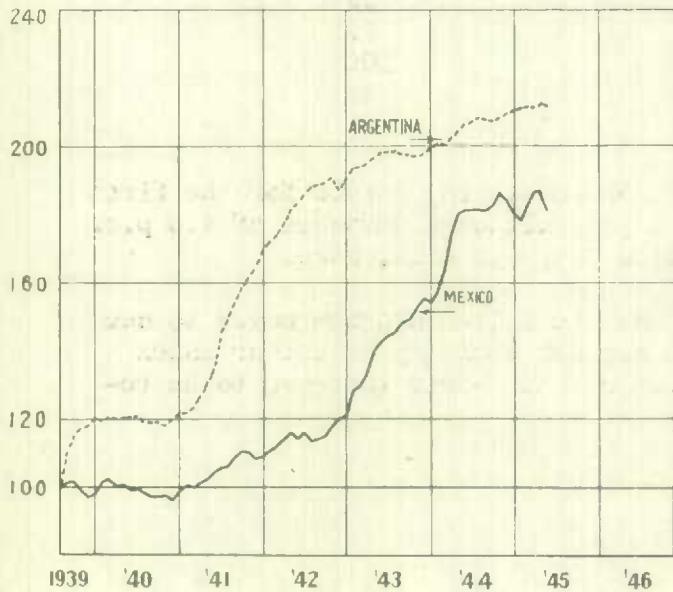
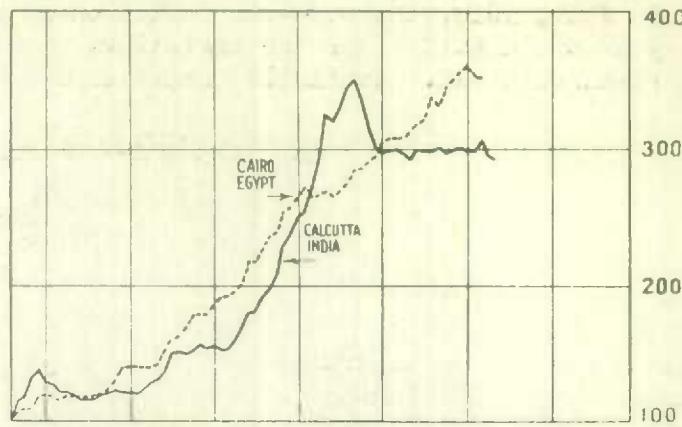
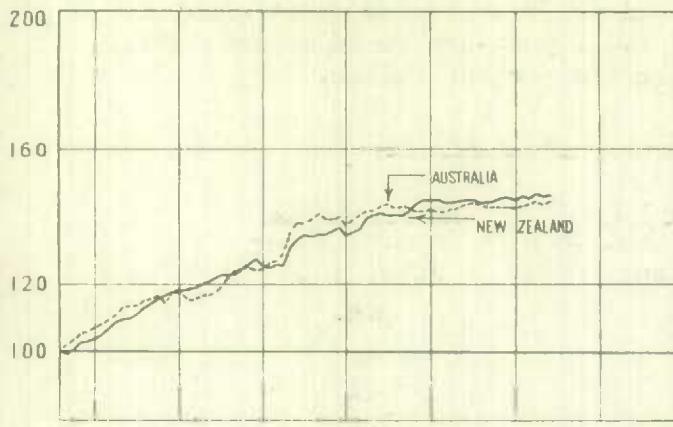
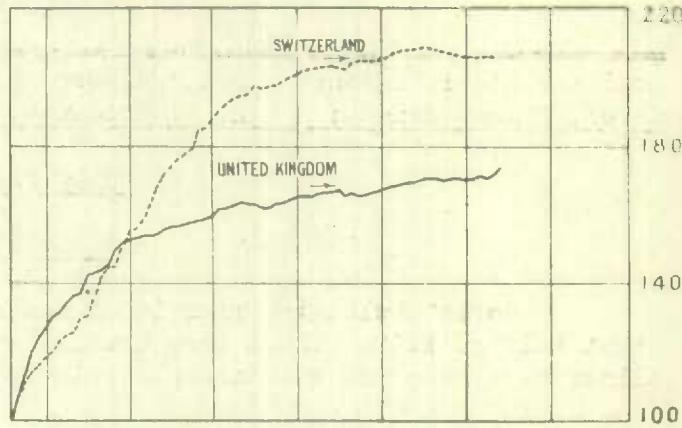
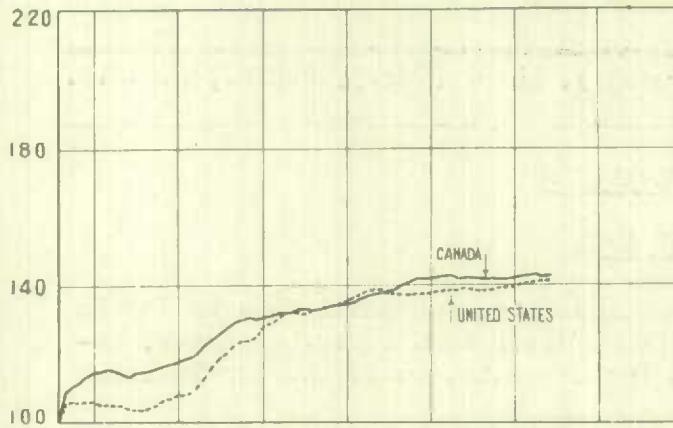
Small increases were recorded by most cost-of-living series for the first half of 1945. As a rule these were less than 2 p.c. although advances of 4.3 p.c. and 6.9 p.c., respectively, were shown for Mexico City and Lima, Peru.

Series for Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom moved to new wartime high levels in June, 1945. The United Kingdom Ministry of Labour index rose 1.5 p.c. in the first half of 1945, the largest half-year increase to be recorded since the first half of 1941.

PRICE INDEX GRAPHS WHOLESALE

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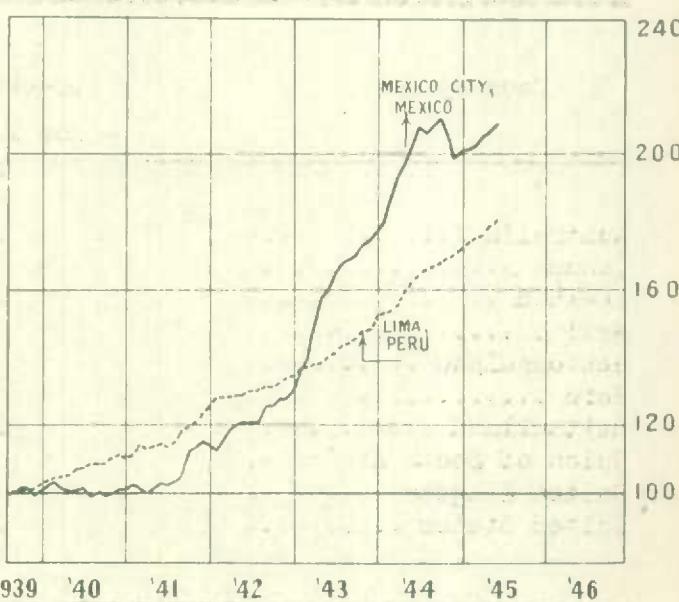
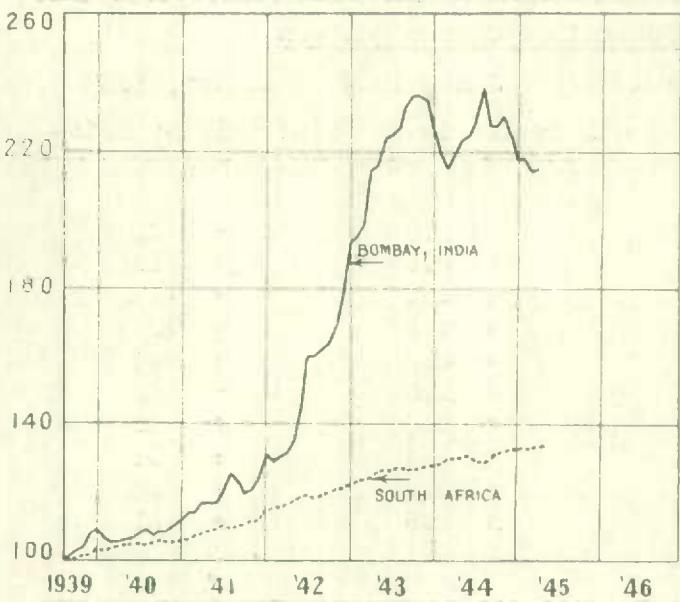
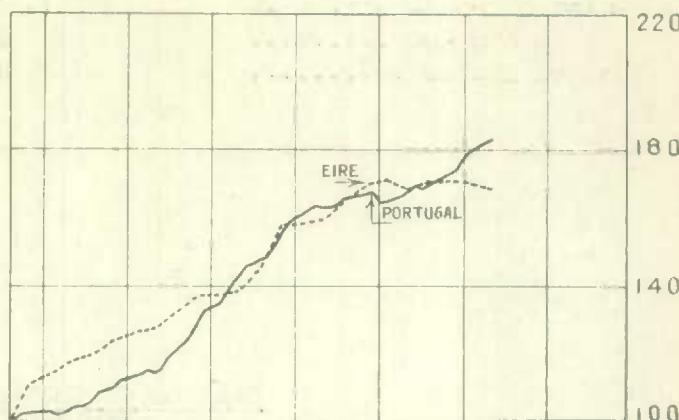
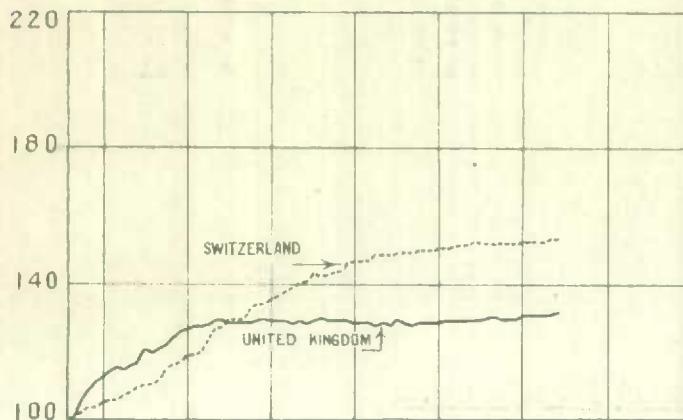
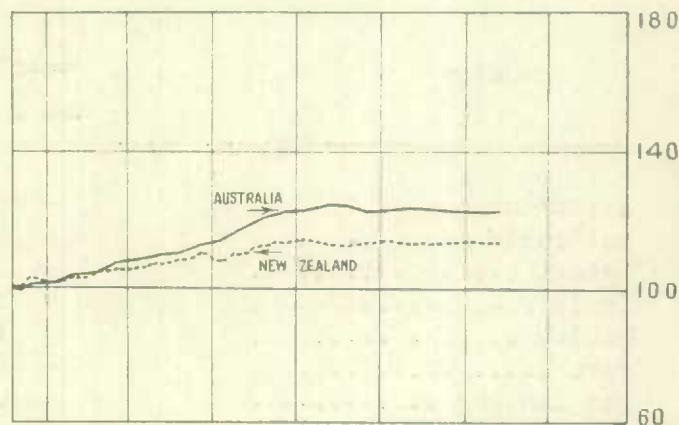
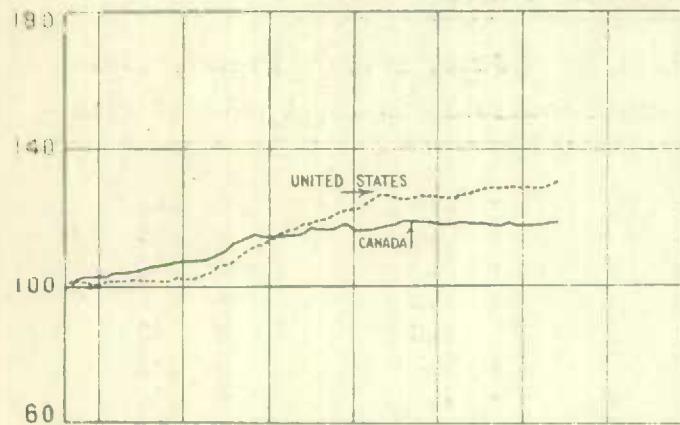
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PRICE INDEX GRAPHS COST OF LIVING

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CHANGES IN WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS
FIRST HALF OF 1945

Country	<u>Percentage Change Between</u>		
	December, 1944	June, 1944	August, 1939
	- and latest month available in first half of 1945 -		
Argentina	+ 0.7	+ 2.3	+ 111
Australia	+ 1.2	+ 0.6	+ 48
Canada	+ 0.7	+ 0.7	+ 43
India	- 2.7	- 2.3	+ 193
Mexico	- 1.4	0.0	+ 82
Peru	+ 3.5	+ 5.5	+ 112
New Zealand	+ 0.4	+ 1.2	+ 46
Sweden	+ 1.0	0.0	+ 77
Switzerland	0.0	- 0.9	+ 106
Union of South Africa ..	+ 1.1	+ 1.7	+ 59
United Kingdom	- 1.7	+ 2.3	+ 72
United States	+ 1.3	+ 1.7	+ 41

CHANGES IN COST-OF-LIVING INDEX NUMBERS
FIRST HALF OF 1945

Country	<u>Percentage Change Between</u>		
	December, 1944	June, 1944	August, 1939
	- and latest month available in first half of 1945 -		
Australia	- 0.1	0.0	+ 23
Canada	+ 0.9	+ 0.5	+ 19
Iceland	+ 0.7	+ 2.6	+ 167
Mexico	+ 4.3	+ 3.2	+ 103
Newfoundland	+ 1.4	- 0.9	+ 54
Peru	+ 3.9	+ 11.0	+ 80
Switzerland	+ 1.0	+ 1.0	+ 53
Union of South Africa ..	+ 1.2	+ 2.4	+ 34
United Kingdom	+ 1.5	+ 2.0	+ 32
United States	+ 1.6	+ 2.9	+ 31

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT COUNTRY	NORTH AMERICA					
	CANADA					
AUTHORITY	Dominion Bureau of Statistics					
	General Index	Con- sumers' Goods	Pro- ducers' Goods	Raw and Partly Mfd. Goods	Fully and Chiefly Mfd. Goods	Canadian Farm Products
No. of Commodities	510(a)	207	366	213	297	
Base Period	1926	1913	1926	1926	1926	1926
1913	64.0	100.0	61.9	67.4	63.8	64.1
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	155.7	160.6
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1929	95.6	149.3	94.7	96.3	97.5	100.8
1932	66.7	104.2	71.3	63.1	55.0	48.4
1933	67.1	104.8	71.1	63.1	56.6	51.0
1938	78.6	122.8	77.2	75.8	72.9	75.6
1939	75.4	117.8	75.8	70.4	67.4	64.5
1940	82.9	129.5	83.4	78.7	75.3	67.1
1941	90.0	140.6	91.1	83.6	81.8	71.2
1942	95.6	149.3	95.6	88.3	90.1	82.5
1943	100.0	156.2	97.0	95.1	99.1	95.9
1944	102.5	160.1	97.4	99.9	104.0	102.9
1939 August	72.3	112.9	72.7	66.7	62.8	58.4
1944 July	102.5	160.1	97.4	99.9	103.9	102.0
August	102.3	159.8	97.2	99.7	103.6	101.2
September	102.3	159.8	97.2	99.7(b)	103.4	101.1(b)
October	102.3(b)	159.8(b)	97.1	99.7	103.5(b)	102.9(b)
November	102.4	159.9	97.1	99.7	103.5(b)	103.1
December	102.5	160.1	97.0	100.2(b)	103.6	103.5
1945 January	102.8	160.6	97.4	100.4	104.3	104.4
February	102.9	160.7	97.4	100.4	104.5	104.6
March	103.0	160.9	97.5	100.7	104.7	105.1
April	103.4	161.5	97.6	101.0	104.7	105.3
May	103.0	160.9	98.0	100.5	105.0	104.6
June	103.2	161.2	98.4	100.5	105.8	105.7

(a) No. of commodities changed in 1926 from 236 to 502; in January 1934 to 567; and in 1943 to 510.

(b) Revised.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT COUNTRY	NORTH AMERICA		SOUTH AMERICA			PERU
	UNITED STATES	MEXICO	ARGENTINA	CHILE		
	Bureau of Labor Statistics		Banco de			
AUTHORITY	General Index	Farm Products Index	Official	La Nacion	Official	Official
No. of Commodities	889(a)	67	32	108	-	58
Base Period	1926	1926	1929	1926	1913	1913
1913	69.8	71.5	-	75.5	100.0	100
1920	154.4	150.7	-	-	-	239
1926	100.0(a)	100.0	-	100.0	-	203
1929	95.3	104.9	100.0	96.4	192.8	186
1932	64.8	48.2	84.3	89.5	230.4	170
1933	66.0	51.4	89.8	85.6	346.0	180
1938	78.6	68.5	126.3	105.5	432.1	205
1939	77.1	65.3	127.0	108.2	420.7	215
1940	78.6	67.7	128.2	123.4	464.1	248
1941	87.3	82.4	135.8	145.1	541.3	290
1942	98.8	105.9	148.3	187.6	736.0	367
1943	103.1	122.6	182.4	202.4(c)	811.8	421
1944	104.0	123.3	226.9	211.3	838.1	226(b)
1939 August	75.0	61.0	129.1	102.9	414.0	1934-36=100
1944 July	104.1	124.1	234.6	213.2	846.7	223
August	103.9	122.6	234.0	214.3	865.8	227
September	104.0	122.7	233.9	213.9	872.8	226
October	104.1	123.4	236.3	213.6	876.2	227
November	104.4	124.4	240.3	214.5	889.7	227
December	104.7	125.5	237.9	215.9	879.7	229
1945 January	104.9	126.2	233.2	216.6	865.7	233
February	105.2	127.0	230.6	217.2	866.3	234
March	105.3	127.2	236.3	217.8	872.8	235
April	105.7	129.0	240.8	218.5	876.9	237
May	106.0	129.9	242.6	217.6	-	236
June	106.1	130.4	234.5	217.5	-	237

(a) No. of commodities changed from 550 to 784 since January 1926, and to 889 during 1940 and 1941.

(b) New series. 1943 average is 219.

(c) Revised.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT COUNTRY	EUROPE					SWEDEN	SPAIN
	UNITED KINGDOM AUTHORITY Board of Trade	ECONOMIST	SWITZERLAND Federal Labour Department	GERMANY Federal Statistical Office	Commerce Department		
No. of Commodities	200	10(d)	78	400		160	106
Base Period	1930	1935	July, 1914	1913		1935(e)	1913
1913	-	150.2	-	100.0		100(e)	100.0
1920	(c) 307.3	290.5	-	136.7 July		359(e)	223.4
1926	(c) 148.1	199.1	144.5	(a) 134.4		149(e)	174.8
1929	(c) 136.5	166.2	141.2	137.2		140(e)	167.7
1932	85.6	84.9	96.0	96.5		109(e)	166.6
1933	85.7	90.9	91.0	93.3		107(e)	159.1
1938	101.4	101.1	107.1	105.7		111	212.0
1939	102.8	109.4	111.2	106.9		115	241.9
1940	136.6	133.5	143.0	110		146	288.8
1941	152.6	137.4	183.5	112		172	341.5
1942	159.4	142.2	209.6	114		189	375.4
1943	162.8	147.2	218.2	116		196	419.0
1944	166.2	156.7	222.6			196	
		(b)	(b)				
1939 August	98.1	106.4	107.4	107		111	244.2
1944 July	167.1	158.6	224.1	119		198	
August	167.5	158.6	223.5	118		197	
September	167.1	158.6	222.8	118		196	
October	166.7	158.6	222.7	118		195	
November	166.9	158.6	222.0	118		195	
December	167.2	158.6	221.4			195	
1945 January	167.2	158.6	221.0			195	
February	167.2	158.7	221.0			195	
March	167.8	161.3	220.9			195	
April	167.7	161.4	221.3			196	
May	168.4	161.2	221.4			196	
June	170.1					197	

(a) Since 1924, new series. (b) End of month. (c) 1920-29, base 1913=100. (d) Sensitive commodities.
 (e) 1913-34, base 1913=100. Corresponding index for 1935 is 116.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT	ASIA	OCEANIA	AFRICA		
COUNTRY	INDIA	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
AUTHORITY	Department of Statistics Calcutta	Commonwealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Department of Statistics Cairo
No. of Commodities	72		180	188	23
Base Period	July, 1914	July, 1936-June, 1939	1926-30=1000	1913	Jan. 1913-July, 1914
1913	-	-	-	100.0	-
1920	201	-	-	223.3	316
1926	148	(c)	-	123.3	132
1929	141	110.3	988	115.1	116
1932	91	-	878	91.5	84
1933	87	-	904	93.1	71
1938	95	100.5	1036	104.4	91
1939	108	101.1	1071	101.9	88
1940	120	104.7	1195	113.2	100
1941	139	114.0	1311	124.3	130
1942	185	124.2	1416	139.5	181
1943	307	137.3	1513	151.6	228
1944	298	139.6	1558	157.0	270
	(a)		(b)		
1939 August	100	97.9	1084	(d) 99.8	83
1944 July	299	141.0(e)	1566	156.2	267
August	298	140.8(e)	1558	156.2	281
September	301	139.9(e)	1559	156.5	275
October	297	139.7(e)	1559	157.3	288
November	299	139.8(e)	1574	158.1	291
December	301	139.8(e)	1577	157.0	295
1945 January	299	139.5	1570	157.8	300
February	299	140.2	1580	157.2	293
March	306	140.7	1577	157.5	292
April	296	141.8	1589	158.0	
May	293	140.8	1581	158.8	
June		141.5	1583		

(a) End of month. (b) Fifteenth of month. (c) Each yearly index is for period from July of preceding year to June of year specified. (d) July, 1939. (e) Revised.

INDEX NUMBERS OF LIVING COSTS AND RETAIL FOOD PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT COUNTRY	NORTH AMERICA				MEXICO		
	CANADA		UNITED STATES				Mexico City
Nature of Index	Dominion Bureau of Statistics	Bureau of Labor Statistics	National Industrial Conference Board				
Base Period	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Foods	Living	Foods	Cost of Living
	1935-39	1935-39	1935-39	1935-39	1925	1923	1934
1913	79.1	89.1	70.7	79.9	-	-	-
1920	145.4	189.5	143.0	168.8	118.2	136.2	-
1926	121.8	133.3	126.4	137.4	104.3	110.6	-
1929	121.7	134.7	122.5	132.5	100.1	106.9	-
1932	99.0	85.7	97.6	86.4	77.9	69.7	-
1933	94.4	84.9	92.4	84.1	74.9	67.8	-
1938	102.2	103.8	100.8	97.8	85.7	78.7	153.3
1939	101.5	100.6	99.4	95.2	84.5	76.6	155.4
1940	105.6	105.6	100.2	96.5	85.3	77.7	157.3
1941	111.7	116.1	105.2	105.5	89.0	85.3	163.9
1942	117.0	127.2	116.5	123.9	97.7	100.9	188.3
1943	118.4	130.7	123.5	138.0	103.3	112.6	246.6
1944	118.9	131.3	125.5	136.1	104.6	110.9	310.0
	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	
1939 August	100.8	99.3	98.6	93.5	84.0	75.3	156.0
1944 July	119.0	132.0	126.1	137.4	105.0	111.9	325.2
August	118.9	131.5	126.4	137.7	105.1	111.9	322.1(c)
September	118.8	131.2	126.5	137.0	105.0	111.5	326.7(c)
October	118.6	130.8	126.5	136.4	105.1	111.1	330.6(c)
November	118.9	131.6	126.6	136.5	105.2	111.1	325.6(c)
December	118.5	130.3	127.0	137.4	105.7(c)	112.3(c)	312.8(c)
1945 January	118.6	130.2	127.1	137.3	105.7	112.1	314.0
February	118.6	130.6	126.9	136.5	105.5	111.2	314.6
March	118.7	131.0	126.8	135.9	105.4	110.8	315.6
April	118.7	131.0	127.1	136.6	105.8	111.6	319.8
May	119.0	131.7	128.1	138.8	106.2	112.7	322.8
June	119.6	133.4	129.0	141.1	106.9	114.8	326.2
							312.0

(a) First of month. (b) Fifteenth of month. (c) Revised.

INDEX NUMBERS OF LIVING COSTS AND RETAIL FOOD PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT	NORTH AMERICA		E U R O P E			
	NEWFOUNDLAND	UNITED KINGDOM	EIRE	SWITZERLAND		
COUNTRY	Official	Minister of Labour	105 Towns and Localities		34 Towns	
	Cost of Living, St. John's October, 1938	Cost of Living St. Johns July, 1914	Foods	Cost of Living July, 1914	Foods	Cost of Living June, 1914
Nature of Index						
Base Period						
1913	-	-	-	-	-	-
1920	-	-	249	256	-	224
1926	-	-	172	164	185	162
1929	-	-	164	154	176	161
1932	-	-	144	126	157	138
1933	-	-	140	120	151	131
1938	-	-	156	141	173	137
1939	104.4(b)	108.6(b)	158	141	178	138
1940	-	-	184	164	205	151
1941	128.2(b)	143.0(b)	199	168	226	174
1942	140.3	163.1	200	161	250	193
1943	149.1	173.5	199	166	282	203
1944	160.7	180.4	201	168	295	207
	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(c)	(d)
1939 August	-	-	155	137	173	137
1944 July	161.2	183.1	201	169	-	209
August	162.4	185.9	202	170	296	208
September	159.9	180.5	202	169	-	208
October	157.9	176.3	201	168	-	208
November	158.8	176.9	201	168	296	208
December	158.7	176.8	201	168	-	208
1945 January	157.8	176.5	202	168	-	209
February	158.7	202	168	295	263	209
March	160.6	202	168	-	-	209
April	160.8	202	168	-	-	209
May	161.0	203	168	292	259	210
June	161.0	204	170	-	-	216

(a) First of month. (b) October. (c) Middle of month. (d) Last week of month.

INDEX NUMBERS OF LIVING COSTS AND RETAIL FOOD PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT COUNTRY	EUROPE			AFRICA			ASIA		
	PORTUGAL	ICELAND		EGYPT		SOUTH AFRICA	INDIA		
Nature of Index	Cost of Living	Cost of Living Reykjavik	Foods	Cost of Living, Cairo	Foods, Cairo	Cost of Living 9 Towns	Foods, 9 Towns	Cost of Living, Bombay	Foods, Bombay
Base Period	June 1914	Jan.-March, 1939		Jan. 1913-July, 1914		1938=1000		July/33-June/34	July/33-June/34
1913	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1920	-	-	-	237	281(b)	1,458	1,660	-	-
1926	-	-	-	160	158(b)	1,063	1,096	-	-
1929	2,361	-	-	151	146	1,066	1,072	-	-
1932	1,949	-	-	132	112	958	891	-	-
1933	1,948	-	-	125	101	932	917	-	-
1938	2,037	-	-	131	115	1,000	1,000	106	113
1939	1,918	103	104	131	112	999	993	106	114
1940	2,009	128	136	143	118	1,034	1,025	112	125
1941	2,268	160	189	177	147	1,082	1,099	124	140
1942	2,758	206	264	235	196	1,173	1,211	157	180
1943	3,118	256	330	310	264	1,244	1,316	230(d)	253
1944	3,208	268	334	351	304	1,288	1,374	237	-
	(a)	(c)	(c)						
1939 August	1,903	103	104	128	110	993	977	105	112
1944 July	3,205	266	329	353	307	1,285	1,373	241	270
August	3,218	266	329	359	318	1,274	1,341	250	-
September	3,243	272	342	365	324	1,281	1,356	239	-
October	3,267	271	340	370	330	1,301	1,363	259	271
November	3,281	271	341	369	327	1,308	1,383	242	277
December	3,298	273	341	370	325	1,311	1,386	236	267
1945 January	3,379	274	341	371	323	1,315	1,397	229	254
February	3,420	274	340	371	322	1,314	1,393	229	254
March	3,432	274	340	374	325	1,319	1,404	225	253
April	3,446	274	337			1,322	1,411	226	255
May	3,476	274	337			1,327	1,424		
June		275	337						

(a) Middle of month. (b) July. (c) First of month. (d) Revised.

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CONTINENT	ASIA		OCEANIA		CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA			TRINIDAD
	JAPAN	AUSTRALIA	NEW ZEALAND	JAMAICA	COST OF LIVING			
Nature of Index	Cost of Living, Tokyo	Cost of Living, 6 Capital Cities	Foods and Groceries, 6 Capital Cities	Cost of Living, 25 Towns	Cost of Living, Kingston	Foods, Kingston	Foods	
Base Period	Jan.-June, 1939	July, 1936-June, 1939	1926-1930	August, 1939	1935	1935		
1913	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1920	-	-	-	101.9	-	-	-	
1926	-	(c)	(c)	101.0	-	-	-	
1929	-	115.0	115.5	100.4	-	-	-	
1932	-	-	-	83.8	-	-	-	
1933	-	-	-	79.5	-	-	-	
1938	-	99.8	98.9	95.1	-	-	-	
1939	(g)	102.9	104.8	99.0	-	-	-	
1940	120	105.1	106.1	103.5	120.5	123.7	129	
1941	122	111.1	108.4	107.3	135.2	133.1	140	
1942	125	117.6	111.8	110.9	152.2	144.4	159	154(L) 154
1943	133	126.7	120.3	100.2(d)	157.1	143.9	184	191(h) 191
1944	-	127.0	117.2	100.3(d)	159.1	139.2	195	205
	(b)	(a)		(d)	(e)	(e)	(f)	(f)
1939 August	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	108	-
1944 July	147	-	119.0	-	158.4	135.9	194	204
August	148	-	118.9	-	158.8	133.7	194	204
September	155	127.3	117.7	100.3	156.9	137.1	194	204
October	157	-	117.5	-	159.7	140.6	193	204
November	161	-	116.7	-	159.6	140.9	193	204
December	-	127.0	116.6	100.4	159.7	139.9	193	204
1945 January	-	117.3	-	158.7	137.7	193	204	
February	-	117.3	-	158.5	137.0	193	204	
March	126.6	118.2	100.6	158.1	137.4	195	207	
April	-	118.4	-	157.3	137.4	195	207	
May	-	118.5	-			195	207	
June	126.9	118.9	100.5			195	207	

(a) Average of quarter. (b) Middle of month. (c) Each yearly index is for the period from July of preceding year to June of year specified. (d) New wartime price series on base December 1942=100, computed quarterly, beginning March 1943. (e) End of month. (f) First of month. (g) Source: League of Nations Bulletin of Statistics. (h) July.

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CONTINENT COUNTRY	CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA							
	ARGENTINA		BRAZIL		CHILE		PERU	
Nature of Index	Cost of Living Buenos Aires	Foods, Buenos Aires	Cost of Living Rio de Janeiro	Foods	Cost of Living, Santiago	Foods	Cost of Living, Lima	Foods, Lima
Base Period	1939	1939	1912	1912	March 1928	March 1928	1913	1913
1913			102	106	-	-	100	100
1920	-	-	167	170	-	-	210	208
1926	-	-	266	236	-	-	201	182
1929	-	-	267	242	109	119	177	159
1932	-	-	235	218	114	115	151	143
1933	88.3	-	233	214	(b) 141	147	(a) 148	139
1938	98.4	-	341	309	184	214	172	169
1939	100.0	100.0	350	315	187	210	170	159
1940	102.3	102.3	363	333	210	245	183	174
1941	105.0	105.2	406	359	242	281	198	197
1942	110.9	115.1	453	404	304	367	222	220
1943	112.1	116.6	503	469	354	434	242	244
1944	109.6	117.2			395	465	(c) 181	(c) 187
							1934-1936=100	
1939 August	99.5	-	347	310	186	206	(c)	(c)
1944 July	110.7	-	567	547	388	438	185	191
August	106.0	113.5	569	550	400	465	187	195
September	109.6	117.8	572	558	420	504	187	193
October	111.5	121.0	576	569	436	539	188	194
November	110.3	118.7	585	590	435	524	188	194
December	114.7	123.1			413	471	189	195
1945 January	120.5	120.5			411	465	193	201
February	122.6	122.8			413	470	195	205
March	131.3	140.4			416	472	197	207
April	131.9	140.7			421	479	198	207
May	132.3	141.8					201	207
June	132.4	142.0					202	207

(a) Since October, 1933, including heating. (b) Revised index, including rent. (c) New series. 1943 averages are 164 and 159 respectively for cost of living and food.

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