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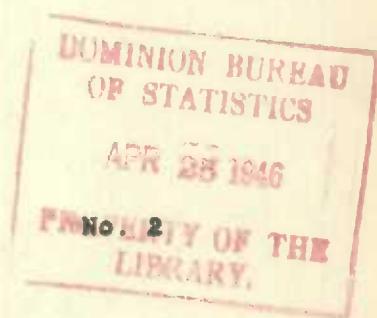
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WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS

SECOND HALF OF 1945

A survey of changes in world wholesale price index numbers in the second half of 1945 showed fairly numerous declines, ranging from less than 1 p.c. to 4 p.c. The number of increases recorded was not preponderant as has been the case usually during the past six years.

Price series for Canada and the United States recorded fractional percentage gains, 0.1 and 0.9 respectively, between June and December, 1945. Mexico was exceptional in the western hemisphere with a rise of 9.5 p.c. between June and December.

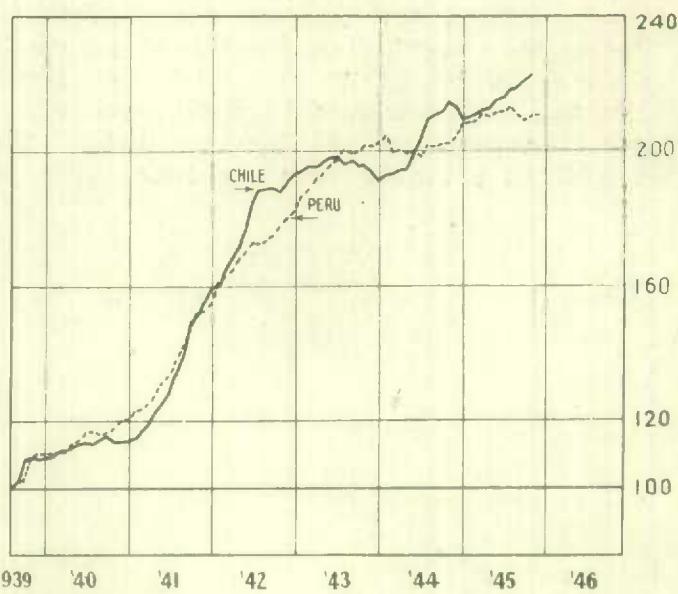
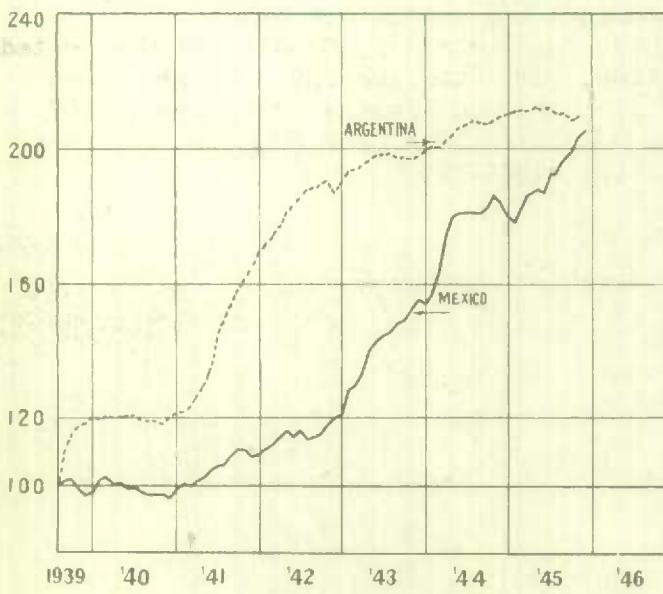
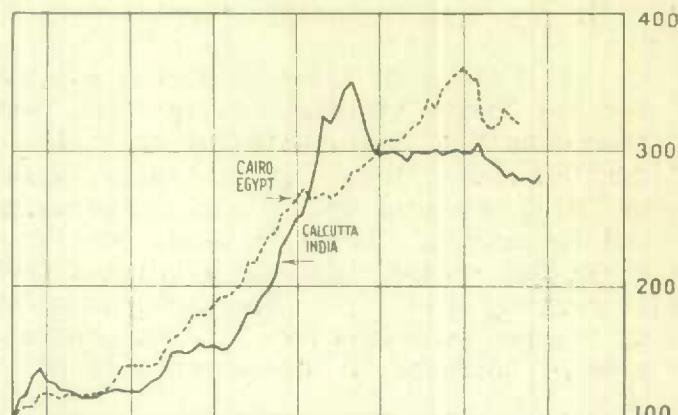
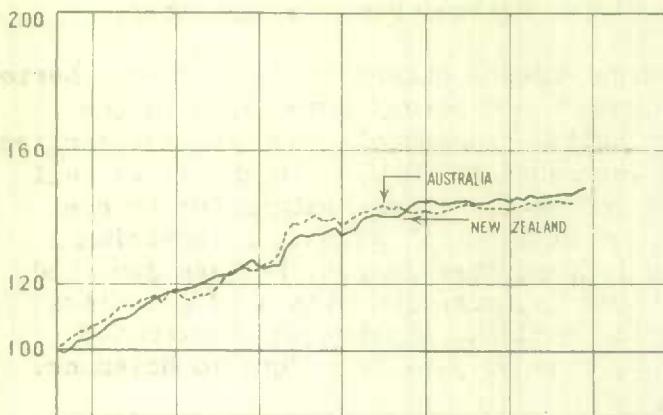
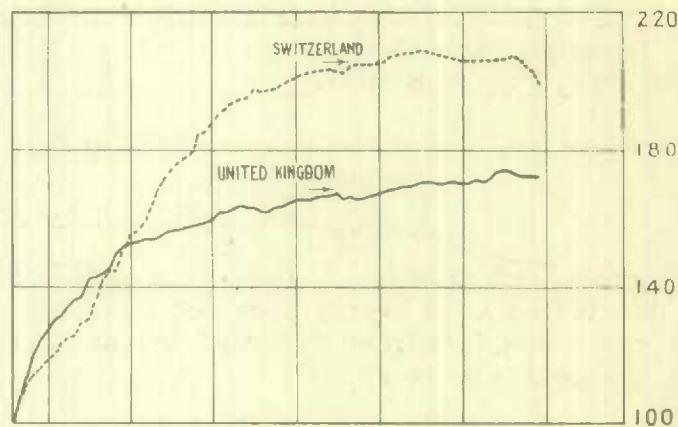
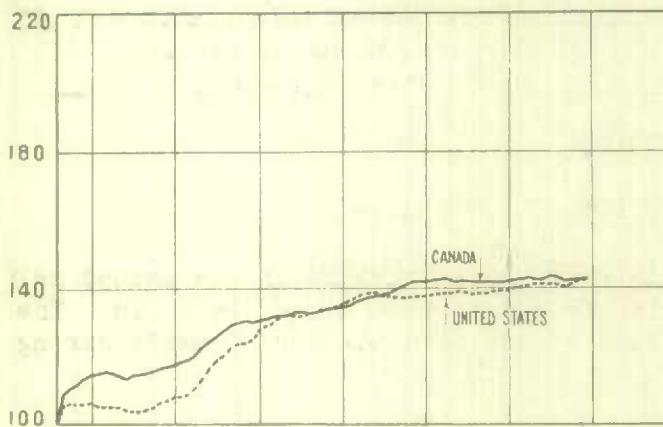
Among European countries wholesale price indexes showed varying trends. Series for the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Sweden, Denmark and Norway moved down in the second half of 1945; with the exception of the United Kingdom all recorded net declines for the year. The Bulgarian index, which had increased by 30 p.c. in the first half of 1945, advanced only 3 p.c. between June and December. Index numbers for France and Finland, on the other hand, continued to show substantial gains. A provisional index for France, based on regulated wholesale prices, rose 13 p.c. between June and September, 1945. This increase was moderate, however, compared with a 39 p.c. rise in the previous quarter. The wholesale index for Finland, showing an accelerated rate of increase in the second half of the year, rose 56 p.c. from June to November.

Small changes continued to be the rule among cost-of-living series. Declines of less than 2 p.c. from June to December, 1945 were recorded by series for Newfoundland, New Zealand, South Africa, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. Increases ranged from fractional percentage gains for Australia, Canada and the United States, to net gains of 3 to 4 p.c. for Argentina, Peru, and Iceland. Beyond these limits, Mexico showed a June-December rise of 11 p.c., and Finland an advance of 67 p.c. between June and December 1945. The cost-of-living index for Bulgaria was down 6 p.c. in December from the June, 1945 peak of 575 (1939=100).

# PRICE INDEX GRAPHS WHOLESALE

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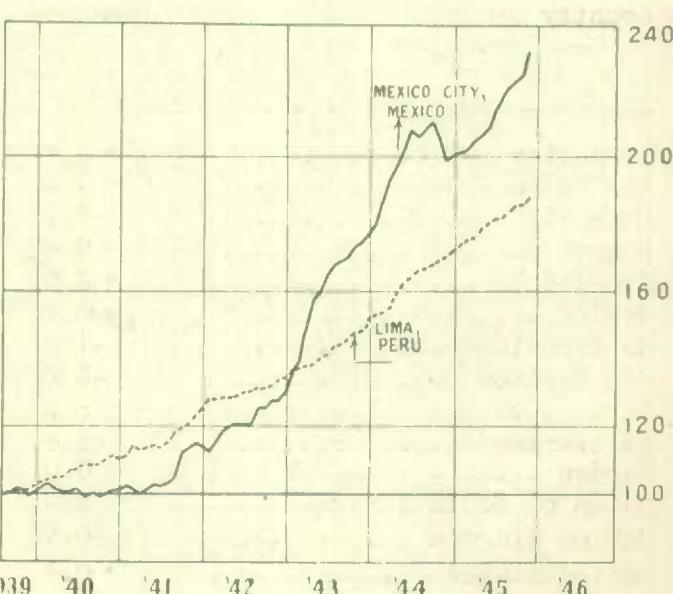
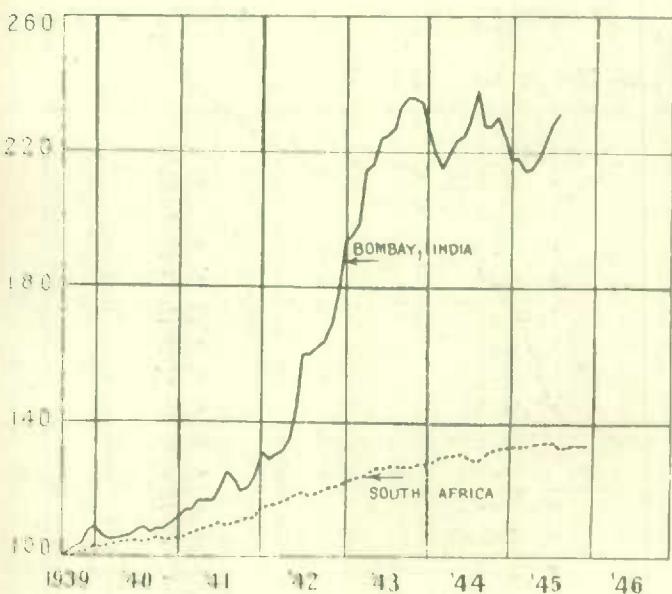
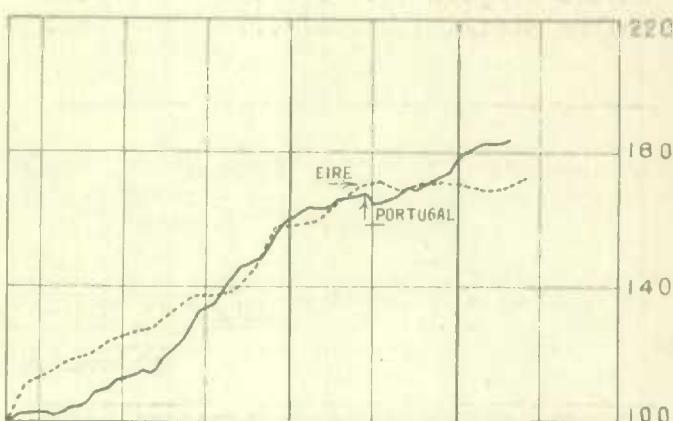
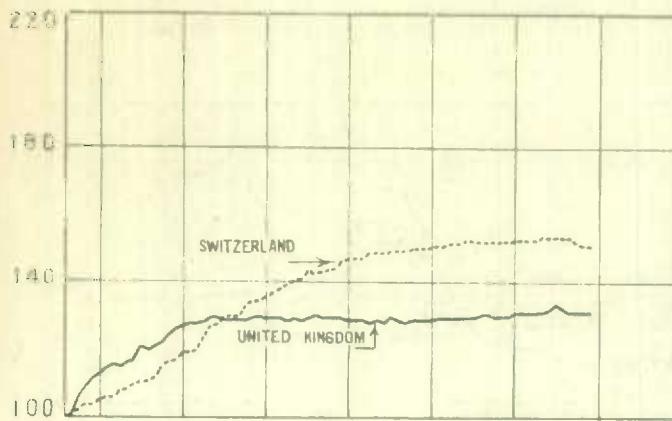
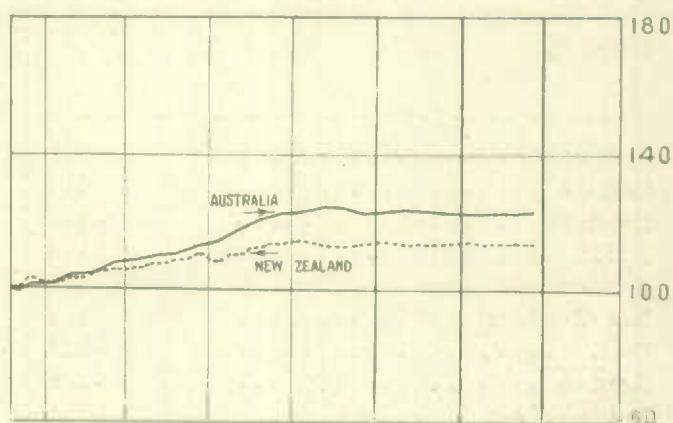
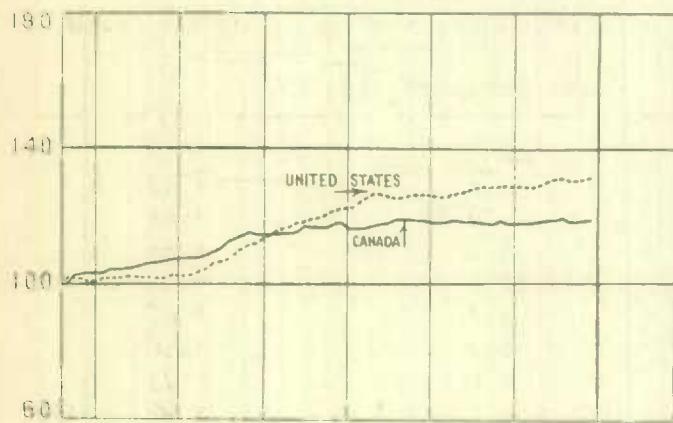
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## PRICE INDEX GRAPHS COST OF LIVING

AUGUST, 1939 = 100

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CHANGES IN WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS  
SECOND HALF OF 1945

Percentage Change Between

Country	June, 1945	December, 1944.	August, 1939
	- and December, 1945 -		
Bulgaria .....	+ 3.2	+ 29.6	-
Canada .....	+ 0.1	+ 0.8	+ 43
Denmark .....	-4.2	- 6.8	+ 84
India .....	-1.4	- 6.0	+183
Mexico .....	+ 9.5	+ 11.5	+105
New Zealand .....	+ 1.9	+ 2.3	+ 49
Peru .....	-0.3	+ 3.1	+110
Sweden .....	-3.6	- 2.6	+ 71
Switzerland .....	-3.3	- 3.2	+ 99
Union of South Africa .....	-0.4	+ 1.3	+ 59
United Kingdom .....	-0.5	+ 1.3	+ 73
United States .....	+ 0.9	+ 2.3	+ 43

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

Percentage Change Between

Country	June, 1945	December, 1944	August, 1939
	- and December, 1945 -		
Argentina .....	+ 3.4	+ 19.4	+ 38
Australia .....	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 23
Bulgaria .....	-6.1	+ 24.4	-
Canada .....	+ 0.4	+ 1.4	+ 19
Iceland .....	+ 3.6	+ 4.4	+177
Mexico .....	+10.7	+ 15.5	+131
Newfoundland .....	-1.2	+ 0.2	+ 52
New Zealand .....	-0.2	- 0.1	+ 14
Peru .....	+ 3.9	+ 10.9	+ 87
Switzerland .....	-1.4	- 0.5	+ 51
Sweden .....	0.0	0.0	+ 43
Union of South Africa .....	-0.5	+ 0.9	+ 33
United Kingdom .....	-0.5	+ 1.0	+ 31
United States .....	+ 0.7	+ 2.3	+ 32

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 Mid. Goods	Fully and Chiefly Mfd. Goods		Canadian Farm Products
No. of Commodities	508(a)	207	366	213	297		
Base Period	1926	1913	1926	1926	1926	1926	1926
1913	64.0	100.0	61.9	67.4	63.8	64.8	64.1
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	155.7	156.8	160.6
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1929	95.6	149.3	94.7	96.3	97.5	93.0	100.8
1932	66.7	104.2	71.3	63.1	55.0	69.8	48.4
1933	67.1	104.8	71.1	63.1	56.6	70.2	51.0
1938	78.6	122.8	77.2	75.8	72.9	78.2	73.6
1939	75.4	117.8	75.8	70.4	67.4	75.3	64.3
1940	82.9	129.5	83.4	78.7	75.3	81.5	67.1
1941	90.0	140.6	91.1	83.6	81.8	88.8	71.2
1942	95.6	149.3	95.6	88.3	90.1	91.9	82.5
1943	100.0	156.2	97.0	95.1	99.1	93.1	95.9
1944	102.5	160.1	97.4	99.9	104.0	93.6	102.9
1939 August	72.3	112.9	72.7	66.7	62.8	72.6	58.4
1945 January	102.8	160.6	97.4	100.4	104.3	93.8	104.4
February	102.9	160.7	97.4	100.4	104.5	93.8	104.6
March	103.0	160.9	97.5	100.7	104.7	93.7	105.1
April	103.4	161.5	97.6	101.0	104.7	94.2	105.3
May	103.0	160.9	98.0	100.5	105.0	93.8	104.6
June	103.2	161.2	98.4	100.5	105.8	93.7	105.7
July	104.0	162.4	99.1	100.5	107.3	93.8	107.8
August	103.4	161.5	98.7	100.1	106.1	93.8	105.8
September	102.7	160.4	97.9	99.7	104.6	93.8	103.5
October	102.9	160.7	98.3	99.5	104.9	93.9	105.6
November	103.1	161.0	98.6	99.6	105.1	94.1	106.1
December	103.3	161.4	98.4	100.4	105.3	94.1	106.3

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

## 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	Farm Products Index	Official	La Nacion	Official	Official	
AUTHORITY	General Index						
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
1945 January	104.9	126.2	233.2	216.6	865.7		235
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	218.0(c)	880.7		236
June	106.1	130.4	242.2(c)	217.8(c)	889.9		237
July	105.9	129.0	249.5	218.1	892.7		238
August	105.7	126.9	248.9	216.6	902.3		239
September	105.2	124.3	253.7	217.0	905.7		236
October	105.9	127.3	256.7	214.9	915.1		235
November	106.8	131.1	263.0	215.6	921.1		236
December	107.1	131.5	265.2				236

(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					
	UNITED KINGDOM	SWITZERLAND	GERMANY	SWEDEN	SPAIN	
AUTHORITY	Board of Trade	Economist	Federal Labour Department	Federal Statistical Office	Commerce Department	Official
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	118 (f)	196	1
1939 August	98.1	106.4	107.4	107	111	244.2
1945 January	167.2	158.6	221.0		195	480.1
February	167.2	158.7	221.0		195	473.0
March	167.8	161.3	220.9		196	477.7
April	167.7	161.4	221.3		196	484.4
May	168.4	161.2	221.4		196	482.6
June	170.1	167.6	221.7		197	
July	170.8	167.6	222.1		198	
August	170.6	167.6	223.0		194	
September	169.6	168.6	222.1		191	
October	169.4	168.6	219.7		191	
November	169.4	168.6	218.5		191	
December	169.3(g)	168.6	214.3		190	

(a) Since 1924, new series. (b) End of month. (c) 1920-29, base 1913=100. (d) Sensitive commodities.

(e) 1913-24, base 1913=100. Corresponding index for 1935 is 116. (f) Average, January-November. (g) Revised.

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

COUNTRY	E	U	R	O	P	E	NORWAY Central Bureau of Statistics
	BULGARIA	DENMARK Department of Statistics	FINLAND Central Bureau of Statistics		FRANCE Statistique Generale		
AUTHORITY	Official						
No. of Commodities	72	118	296		135		95
Base Period	1939(a)	1935	1935		1938 (b)		1938
1913	-	-	-		-		-
1920	-	-	-		-		-
1926	2973(a)	117	-		-		-
1929	3304(a)	108	108		-		97
1932	1937(a)	84	100		-		80
1933	1731(a)	90	99		-		80
1938	2164(a)	112	114		100		100
1939	100	118	120		104		102
1940	116	172	161		132		133
1941	148	203	197		159		163
1942	188	213	243		188		172
1943	237	214	276		218		175
1944	345	217	305		252		177
1939 August	-	111	117		-		98
1945 January	473	219	322		260		178
February	502	219	326		268		178
March	531	220	331		269		178
April	544	219	343		320		178
May	566	219	348		367		178
June	569	213	383		373		179
July	564	212	421		373		178
August	563	211	489		380		178
September	565	209	515		421		180
October	566	206	577				177
November	569	204	596				
December	587	204					

(a) Prior to 1939, base 1914=100. 1939 average is 2109 and August, 1939 index is 2158.

(b) Provisional index numbers based on 1941 consumption weights.

## 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, 1926-June, 1929	1926-30=1000	1913	Jan. 1913-July, 1914	
1913	-	-	-	100.0	-	
1920	201	-	1536	223.3	316	
1926	148	(c)	1053	123.3	132	
1929	141	110.8	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	6
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	
1945 January	299	139.6(e)	1571	157.8	300	
February	299	140.4(e)	1580	157.2	294	
March	306	140.8(e)	1577	157.5	292	
April	296	141.9(e)	1589	158.0	268	
May	293	141.0(e)	1581	158.8	262	
June	287	141.7(e)	1583	159.7	266	
July	281	141.8	1587	160.6	275	
August	283	141.9	1591	160.7	269	
September	279	141.6	1592	160.7	266	
October	280	141.3	1594	160.6		
November	277		1605	160.3		
December	283		1613	159.0		

(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							
	Dominion Bureau of Statistics	Bureau of Labor Statistics	National Industrial Conference Board	Official						
Nature of Index	Cost of Living	Foods	Consumers' Price Index(d)	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living			Foods	
Base Period	1935-39	1935-39	1935-39	1935-39	1923	1923	1934		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		157.9	
1939	101.5	100.6	99.4	95.2	84.5	76.6	155.4		156.2	
1940	105.6	105.6	100.2	96.5	85.3	77.7	157.3		153.6	
1941	111.7	116.1	105.2	105.5	89.0	85.3	163.9		158.5	
1942	117.0	127.2	116.5	123.9	97.7	100.9	188.3		179.0	
1943	118.4	130.7	123.6(c)	138.0	103.3	112.6	246.6		229.8	
1944	118.9	131.3	125.5	136.1	104.6	110.9	310.0		297.2	
	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)				
1939 August	100.8	99.3	98.6	93.5	84.0	75.3	156.0		157.4	
1945 January	118.6	130.2	127.1	137.3	105.7	112.1	314.0		297.9	
February	118.6	130.6	126.9	136.5	105.5	111.2	314.6		298.5	
March	118.7	131.0	126.8	135.9	105.4	110.8	315.6		300.1	
April	118.7	131.0	127.1	136.6	105.8	111.6	319.8		304.7	
May	119.0	131.7	128.1	138.8	106.2	112.7	322.8		308.0	
June	119.6	133.4	129.0	141.1	106.9	114.8	326.2		312.0	
July	120.3	135.6	129.4	141.7	106.9	114.9	333.6		320.8	
August	120.5	136.2	129.3	140.9	106.6	115.9	340.1		328.6	
September	119.9	134.2	128.9	139.4	106.2	112.9	344.4		333.9	
October	119.7	133.3	128.9	139.3	106.3	112.8	347.7		337.7	
November	119.9	134.0	129.3	140.1	106.7	113.9	350.9		341.3	
December	120.1	134.3	129.9	141.4	107.1	114.9	361.2		354.0	

(a) First of month. (b) Fifteenth of month. (d) Since August, 1945, "Consumers' Price Index for Moderate-Income Families in Large Cities." (c) Revised.

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

CONTINENT	NORTH AMERICA		EUROPE		IRE		SWITZERLAND	
	NEWFOUNDLAND	UNITED KINGDOM	Minister of Labour	105 Towns and Localities	54 Towns	Foods		
Nature of Index	Official Cost of Living, St. John's	Foods, St. Johns	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Foods
Base Period	October, 1938		July, 1914		July, 1914		June, 1914	
1913	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1920	-	-	249	256	-	-	224	242
1926	-	-	172	164	185	179	162	160
1929	-	-	164	154	176	169	161	156
1932	-	-	144	126	157	141	138	126
1933	-	-	140	120	151	131	131	117
1936	-	-	156	141	173	159	137	130
1939	104.4(b)	108.6(b)	158	141	178	163	138	132
1940	-	-	184	164	205	183	151	146
1941	128.2(b)	143.0(b)	199	168	236	202	174	175
1942	148.3	163.1	200	161	250	225	193	200
1943	149.1	173.5	199	166	282	247	203	211
1944	160.7	180.4	201	168	295	262	207	215
	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(c)	(c)	(d)	(d)
1939 August	-	-	155	137	173	152	137	131
1945 January	157.8	176.5	202	168	-	-	209	216
February	158.7		202	168	295	263	209	216
March	160.6		202	168	-	-	209	216
April	160.8		202	168	-	-	209	216
May	161.0		203	168	292	259	210	216
June	161.0		204	170	-	-	210	217
July	164.4		207	176	-	-	210	217
August	166.2		205	172	293	261	210	216
September	158.3		203	169	-	-	210	216
October	158.2		203	169	-	-	208	213
November	159.0		203	169	298	271	207	210
December	159.0		203	169	-	-	207	210

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

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CONTINENT	E	U	R	O	P	E	
COUNTRY	BULGARIA		DENMARK		FINLAND		SWEDEN
	12 Towns(a)		100 Localities		36 Towns		49 Towns
Nature of Index	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living	Cost of Living	Foods
Base Period	1939		1935		1935		1935(c)
1913	-	-	-	-	-	(d)	-
1920	-	-	(d)	-	-	269(c)	293(c)
1926	2,629(b)	2,813(b)	108	-	119	172(c)	158(c)
1929	2,941(b)	2,992(b)	101	-	123	169(c)	149(c)
1932	2,160(b)	1,765(b)	91	-	103	156(c)	125(c)
1935	2,006(b)	1,680(b)	93	-	100	153(c)	121(c)
1938	1,767(b)	1,898(b)	107	108	108	106	112
1939	100	100	109	-	111	109	115
1940	112	113	136	-	132	123	131
1941	135	143	157	169	155	139	149
1942	178	199	164	169	183	151	162
1943	226	268	166	167	206	153	160
1944	339	423	168	168	219	154	160
1939 August	-	-	107(e)	108(e)	109	108	114
1945 January	461	586	169	169	222	-	-
February	505	651	-	-	222	-	-
March	515	660	-	-	223	155	159
April	521	648	170	170	225	-	-
May	515	637	-	-	228	-	-
June	575	754	-	-	264	154	157
July	504	620	170	170	306	-	-
August	490	599	-	-	341	-	-
September	493	603	-	-	354	155	159
October	508	615	170	169	422	-	-
November	527	651	-	-	454	-	-
December	540	672	-	-	440	154	157

(a) Workingman's family. (b) Old series, 1914=100. 1939 averages are 1808 and 1832 for Cost of Living and Foods respectively. (c) July, 1914=100, prior to 1935. (d) Includes direct taxation. (e) July quarter, 1939.

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CONTINENT COUNTRY	EUROPE			AFRICA			ASIA	
	PORUGAL	ICELAND	EGYPT	SOUTH AFRICA		INDIA		
Nature of Index	Cost of Living	Cost of Living, Reykjavik	Cost of Living, Cairo	Foods, Cairo	Foods, 9 Towns	Cost of Living, Bombay	Foods, Bombay	
Base Period	June 1914	Jan.-March, 1939	Jan. 1913-July, 1914	1938=1000	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	2,057	-	131	115	1,000	1,000	106	
1939	1,918	103	104	112	999	993	106	
1940	2,009	128	136	118	1,034	1,025	112	
1941	2,268	160	189	147	1,082	1,099	124	
1942	2,758	206	264	196	1,173	1,211	157	
1943	3,118	256	330	264	1,244	1,316	230	
1944	3,208	268	334	304	1,288	1,374	237	
	(a)	(c)	(c)				-	
1939 August	1,903	103	104	128	110	993	977	
							105	
							112	
1945 January	3,379	274	341	371	323	1,315	1,397	
February	3,420	274	340	371	322	1,314	1,393	
March	3,432	274	340	374	325	1,319	1,404	
April	3,446	274	337	369	314	1,322	1,411	
May	3,476	274	337	365	307	1,327	1,424	
June	3,472	275	337	365	306	1,329	1,429	
July	3,476	275	337	363	314	1,330	1,435	
August	3,482	275	334	373	322	1,318	1,395	
September	3,496	278	340	375	327	1,319	1,399	
October		285	354			1,324	1,398	
November		284	351			1,323	1,393	
December		285	351			1,323	1,392	

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

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CONTINENT COUNTRY	ASIA		OCEANIA		CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA		TRINIDAD
	PALESTINE	AUSTRALIA	Foods and Groceries,	Cost of Living, Arab Cities	Cost of Living, Capital Cities	JAMAICA	
Nature of Index							
Base Period	Jan. 1942 (e)	July, 1936	June, 1939	1926	1930	August, 1939	1935
1913	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1920	-	-	-	101.9	-	-	-
1926	-	(c)	(e)	101.0	-	-	-
1929	-	115.0	115.5	100.4	-	-	-
1932	-		-	83.8	-	-	-
1933	-		-	79.5	-	-	-
1938	-	99.8	98.9	95.1	-	-	-
1939	-	102.9	104.8	99.0	-	-	II -
1940	-	105.1	106.1	103.5	120.5	123.7	129
1941	-	111.1	108.4	107.3	135.2	133.1	140
1942	110	117.6	111.8	110.9	152.2	144.4	159
1943	133	126.7	120.3	100.2(d)	157.1	143.9	184
1944	138	127.0	117.2	100.3(d)	159.1	139.2	195
		(a)		(d)	(e)	(e)	205
1959 August	(g)	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	(f)
						108	(f)
1945 January	145	-	117.3	-	153.7	137.7	193
February	144	-	117.3	-	153.5	137.0	193
March	147	126.6	118.2	100.6	158.1	137.4	195
April	147	-	118.4	-	157.3	137.4	195
May	147	-	118.5	-	158.9	142.3	195
June	145	126.9	118.9	100.5	159.6	143.6	195
July	146	-	119.2	-	159.7	145.0	195
August	147	-	119.2	-	159.9	147.6	195
September	148	127.0	118.6	100.1	159.8	147.6	195
October	-		118.1	-	159.2	147.7	198
November	-			-	155.9	143.6	198
December	127.3			100.3	159.3	148.8	200
							217

(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) Quarterly wartime index, December 1942=100. December, 1942, old series, = 112.8. (e) End of month. (f) First of month. (g) On base Pre-war=100, January, 1942 is 175. (h) July.

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CONTINENT	CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA						PERU	
	ARGENTINA		COLOMBIA		CHILE			
Nature of Index	Cost of Living, Buenos Aires	Foods, Buenos Aires	Cost of Living, Bogota	Foods, Bogota	Cost of Living, Santiago	Foods, Santiago	Cost of Living, Lima	Foods, Lima
Base Period	1939	1939	February, 1937		March, 1928	March, 1928	1913	1913
1913	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	100
1920	-	-	-	-	-	-	210	208
1926	-	-	-	-	-	-	201	182
1929	-	-	-	-	109	119	177	159
1932	-	-	-	-	114	115	151	143
1933	88.8	-	-	-	(b) 141	147	(a) 148	139
1938	98.4	-	113.4	112.5	184	214	172	169
1939	100.0	100.0	118.4	119.8	187	210	170	159
1940	102.3	102.3	114.6	113.9	210	245	183	174
1941	105.0	105.2	113.0	110.1	242	281	198	197
1942	110.9	115.1	122.8	121.6	304	367	222	220
1943	112.1	116.6	142.3	143.4	354	434	242	244
1944	109.6	117.2	167.8	182.1	395	465	(c) 181	(c) 187
							1934-1936=100	
1939 August	99.5	-	115.8	116.7	186	206	(c)	(c)
1945 January	120.5	120.5	186.0	201.2	411	465	193	201
February	122.6	122.8	192.0	208.3	413	470	195	205
March	131.8	140.4	199.8	218.9	416	472	197	207
April	131.9	140.7	198.4	216.8	421	479	198	207
May	132.3	141.8	202.6	222.9	423	478	201	207
June	132.4	142.0	192.7	207.5	427	485	202	207
July	133.9	145.4	188.2	200.7	427	485	203	209
August	132.7	143.1	187.0	199.3	430	493	204	210
September	133.5	144.6	186.7	197.6	449	535	205	210
October	133.6	144.4	183.3	192.5	462	564	208	215
November	133.8	144.8	183.5	191.7	439	503	208	216
December	136.9	148.3					210	218

(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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