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WORLD WHOLESALE PRICE MOVEMENTS
THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1936.

A slightly firmer tendency in wholesale price levels during the second quarter of 1936 was followed by a definite up-turn in July led by increases in prices for grains and non-ferrous metals. One of the sharpest second quarter advances occurred in France. Although this was fairly general throughout different commodity groups, it was viewed with some apprehension. Higher prices reflected rising production costs which affected export trade adversely, and thereby added to the difficulty of maintaining the position of the franc. Price levels in France are reckoned to be about 20 p.c. above world levels at the present time. Other remaining gold standard countries showed little change until July. Price levels in Belgium tended to react moderately in the first and second quarters after earlier pronounced advances, but responded along with prices in other areas to the general upward stimulus in July. Scandinavian countries continued to display unusual stability with price index fluctuations of negligible proportions for the first half of the year. In the United Kingdom and Germany, price levels have mounted intermittently during this period, official indexes showing increases of over 2 p.c. for the former and 1 p.c. for the latter. Recent advances in sterling exchange, if maintained, should tend to check this movement in the United Kingdom. The gradual decline in United States wholesale price levels was halted in July, and the official Canadian index also turned upward in that month.

In the Far East and Oceania, moderate increases were recorded in most countries during the first half of the year. The Australian index for Melbourne advanced nearly 4 p.c., while Japanese and Chinese indexes were between one and two per cent. higher in July than at the beginning of the year.

WORLD COST OF LIVING MOVEMENTS
THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1936.

A marked degree of stability continued to characterize the behaviour of living cost indexes, exceptions being almost exactly the same as those noted for the first quarter. Living costs in France rose further, the Paris index gaining about 2 p.c. in the second quarter. The German index also advanced due mainly to a shortage of meats, caused by enforced price ratios favouring the production of fats. Cereal grains were likewise less plentiful. The crest of the Belgian rise in living costs appeared to have passed between April and June.

Cost of living index numbers in the Far East showed little change with the noteworthy exception of the Tokyo series which dropped a little more than one per cent. New Zealand and Australian living costs registered practically no change.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT	NORTH AMERICA													
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	1926	1926		1913		1913	1913	
1913	64.0	100.0	61.9	67.4	63.8	64.8	69.8	69.8	9.2115	100	120.887	100	100	
1914	65.5	102.3	62.7	69.7	66.5	65.5	68.1	68.1	8.9034	97	122.211	101	-	
1919	134.0	209.2	118.7	139.0	131.5	132.5	138.6	138.6	18.6642	203	230.846	190	-	
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	155.7	156.8	154.4	154.4	18.8095	204	248.721	205	-	
1921	110.0	171.8	108.0	112.8	107.5	116.7	97.6	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	97.8	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	103.5	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	97.4	95.0	97.9	96.7	13.2823	144	194.521	161	149.0	
1929	95.6	149.3	94.7	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	61.9	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	66.0	7.8557	85	144.661	120	94.9	
1934	71.6	111.8	74.1	67.8	63.5	73.4	76.6	75.0	9.2195	100	166.082	137	113.2	
1935	72.1	112.6	73.6	69.5	66.0	72.8	83.0	80.0	9.9222	108	174.744	145	125.9	
1935									(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)		
August	71.7	112.0	73.2	69.0	65.0	72.3	83.8	80.5	9.9185	108	171.511	142	126.8	
September	72.4	113.1	73.4	70.1	67.3	72.4	85.1	80.7	10.0085	109	170.859	141	127.6	
October	73.1	114.2	74.1	70.5	67.9	73.3	85.4	80.5	10.1762	110	177.514	147	129.2	
November	72.7	113.6	74.2	69.4	67.2	72.9	84.7	80.6	10.2834	112	178.614	148	128.3	
December	72.7	113.6	74.4	69.4	67.2	72.9	84.2	80.9	10.4029	113	177.732	147	129.4	
1936														
January	72.9	113.9	74.2	69.8	67.9	72.8	84.0	80.6	10.3641	113	178.063	147	128.3	
February	72.5	113.2	73.9	69.3	67.5	72.2	83.5	80.6	10.0204	109	179.045	148	126.4	
March	72.4	113.1	73.8	69.3	67.3	72.1	82.6	79.6	9.9196	108	179.601	149	124.9	
April	72.2	112.8	73.3	69.1	66.8	72.2	82.5	79.7	9.8541	107	173.649	144	123.8	
May	71.8	112.2	73.2	68.1	66.2	71.7	81.1	78.6	9.8191	107	173.485	144	120.4	
June	72.3	112.9	73.7	68.5	66.6	71.9	82.3	79.2	9.7374	106	172.136	142	121.4	
July	74.4	116.2	74.3	72.1	69.7	73.3	83.5		9.8538	107	178.240	147	125.6	
August	76.2	119.0	75.5	74.7	73.0	74.8	84.0		10.1445	110	181.878	150	127.8	

(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.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

CONTINENT	N.AMERICA	SOUTH AMERICA			EUROPE								
COUNTRY	MEXICO	ARGENTINA	CHILE	PERU	UNITED KINGDOM					FRANCE		GERMANY	
Authority	Official	Banco de la Nacion	Official	Official	Board of Trade	Economist		Statist	Times	Statistique Générale	Statistique Générale	Federal Statistical Office	
No. of Commodities	32	108		58	200	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				226.5		346		208	July
1919				220				241.9		364		339	July
1920				239	(f)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		7478700	July
1924		109.5		192	166.2	158.9	115.7	164.6	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	149.6	142.1(d)	718	695	134.4	
1927		98.1		203	141.6	137.6	100.0	144.2	141.9(d)	630	642	137.6	
1928		98.5	195.5	192	140.3	135.1	98.1	141.9	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	103.4	92.2	166.9	178	(e)100.0	106.8	77.6	114.1	103.2(d)	543	554	124.6	
1931	89.7	89.0	152.2	175	87.8	89.3	64.9	96.5	99.5(d)	462	502	110.9	
1932	84.3	89.5	230.2	170	85.6	86.1	62.6	94.0	94.3(d)	407	427	96.5	
1933	89.8	85.6	346.4	180	85.7	86.9	63.1	93.7	98.2(d)	388	398	93.3	
1934	94.7	98.4	343.6	188	88.1	90.3	65.6	96.4		366	376	98.4	
1935	94.5	97.0	343.3	189 (c)	88.9	94.3 (b)	68.0 (b)	99.5 (b)		347	338 (b)	101.8	
1935													
June	93.6	96.1	339.6	192	88.4	93.7	67.5	98.5		344	330	101.2	
July	95.5	95.6	342.4	191	88.0	93.7	68.1	99.2		334	322	101.8	
August	94.8	95.7	343.3	189	88.4	93.0	67.9	98.9		343	330	102.4	
September	96.3	96.6	346.2	187	89.6	96.1	69.9	100.1		345	332	102.3	
October	95.3	98.5	348.7	188	91.1	98.5	71.5	100.9		350	342	102.8	
November	94.3	98.5	351.5	188	91.2	98.2	71.3	101.5		353	348	103.1	
December	93.8	98.7	350.1	189	91.4	98.3	71.5	102.0		357	354	103.4	
1936													
January	93.4	98.9	353.7	191	91.8	98.1	71.3	102.0		364	359	103.6	
February	93.9	97.9	359.5	192	91.7	97.4	70.9	102.0		377	372	103.6	
March	94.6	98.0	359.8	191	91.7		70.9	101.6		379	376	103.6	
April	96.5	98.0	367.8	193	91.9		70.9	100.9		374	371	103.7	
May	97.7	97.8	374.4	192	91.9		69.8	100.2		377	374	103.8	
June				191	92.6		70.2	99.3		372	378	104.0	
July					93.6					388	391	104.2	

(a) Since 1934, 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	EUROPE										
COUNTRY	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	Okonomisk Revue	Official	Gotabergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Depart-ment	Official	Official	Director General of Statistics
No. of Commodities	47 (b)	78	130	48	100	95	47	160		23	74
Base Period	January - July, 1914	July 1914	April 1914	1913	Dec. 21/13-June 30/14	1913	July 1/13-June 30/14	1913	1931	1927	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	559	155	251	253	157	161	210		188
1926	123	144.5	744	145	196	198	144	149	163		181
1927	133	142.2	847	148	160	167	141	146	153	100	172
1928	130	144.6	843	149	155	157(e)	144	148	153	104	167
1929	130	141.2	851	142	148	149	134	140	150	100	171
1930	117	126.5	744	117	138	137	115	122	130	88	172
1931	109	109.7	626	97	123	122	105	111	114	90	174
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	473	78	126	124	107	114	132	51	163
1935	110	89.8			132	127	111	116		56	
	(d)	(a)	(f)			(d)			(g)	(a)	
1935											
September	110	92.2	560	75	133	128	111	115	124	57	162
October	109	93.3	574	78	134	130	113	117	126	61	
November	109	92.8	582	78	134	130	114	118	126	62	
December	109	92.1	579	78	134	131	113	118	126	63	
1936											
January	108	91.1	581	77	134	131	113	118	126	63	
February	107	91.0	582	77	135	132		118	126	63	
March	107	90.9	578	76	135	132		118	126	64	
April	108	91.9	574	75	135	132		118	126	65	
May	108	92.0	569	75	135	132		118	126	62	
June	109	91.9	570	76	135	132		118	125	62	
July	110	93.1	576					119	127		

(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. (g) New series; 1931=100 - annual figures 1925-1934 on 1913 base.

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CONTINENT	EUROPE													
COUNTRY	ITALY		POLAND	FINLAND		LITHUANIA	LATVIA	YUGOSLAVIA	GREECE	ESTONIA	BULGARIA	HUNGARY	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	TURKEY
Authority	Bachi	Milan Chamber of Commerce	Commerce Reports	Official		Official	Official	National Bank	Official	Official	Official	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-July1914	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						113				
1923	512	536		1095						114		122		
1924	512	554		1100						116		138		
1925	596	646		1129	(d)					124		140		
1926	603	654		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	143.1	1296
1929	445	481	96.3		98	129	119.9	100.6	1,811	117	3,447	121(c)	135.0	1316
1930	383	411	85.5		90	108	101.9	86.6	1,646	102	2,788	96	118.5	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	86	1,821	76	96.4	648
1934	273	276	55.8		90		83.0	63.2	1,969	85	1,873	79	84.7(d)	672
1935	(a)	(f)	53.1 (a)		90		86.0	(a)		84	1,917 (f)	90 (a)	85.8 (b)	731
1935														
August	323	329	53.6		90		85.0	64.8	1,998	83	1,887	89	86.0	717
September	330	337	54.2		91		86.0	67.8		84	1,898	92	86.0	725
October			54.5		92		87.0	70.0		88	1,963	95	85.6	745
November			54.5		91		88.0	71.2		89	1,972	95	86.2	798
December			52.7		91		88.0	71.6		89	1,967	97	86.2	844
1936														
January			52.1		90		88.0	71.1		90	1,940	94	86.6	
February			52.2		91		88.0	70.0		90	1,923	93	85.8	
March			52.1		91		87.0	70.0		90	1,908	91	86.0	
April			53.0		90		85.0	69.5		88	1,957	88	85.6	
May			53.7		90			67.0		88	1,954	86	85.7	
June			53.9		90			65.4			1,945	85	85.0	
July			53.6		91							86	85.3	

(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
COUNTRY	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 générale 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	98(a)		67		95.5	105.6	1053	96.9	
1920	201	216	279		89		259.4	227.9	2092	223.3	216
1921	178	198	191		89	104.6	200.3	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	206.4	173.3	1634	128.7	143
1925	159	163	166	132	97	99.3	201.6	169.5	1627	127.6	152
1926	148	149	159	131	100	100.0	178.8	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	148	108	101.7	170.8	164.7	1492	120.4	120
1929	141	145	148	153	111	104.5	166.1	165.7	1488	116.0	116
1930	116	126	134	153	116	114.8	136.8	146.7	1449	102.7	104
1931	96	109	105	129	123	126.7	115.6	131.3	1346(e)	99.5	97
1932	91	109	86	116	113	112.4(d)	121.7	129.7	1297	91.5	84
1933	87	98	71	106	101	103.8	135.6	129.5	1308	93.1	71
1934	89	95	67	96	92	97.1	134.2	135.2	1330	101.7	87
1935	91 (b)	99	65	94	95	96.4 (b)	140.2	135.0	1385 (c)		95
1935											
September	89	100	65	92	91	91.1	142.7	137.4	1419	-	92
October	93	100	66	95	94	94.1	146.6	137.8	1434	96.0	96
November	92	98	66	95	101	103.3	146.3	135.9	1419	-	94
December	93	97	65	94	103	103.3	145.0	134.2	1414	-	94
1936											
January	92	96	65	94	104	104.3	144.9	135.6	1405		92
February	91	95	65	94	107	105.4	144.3	134.7	1384		89
March	91	95	64	95	111	106.4	144.1	136.5	1386		88
April	92	94	64	95	112	107.3	145.4	139.2	1392		84
May	90	94	64	95	109	105.8	145.4	139.8	1391		84
June	90	95		95	108	106.1	146.3	140.0	1399		83
July	91										83

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

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

CONTINENT	NORTH AMERICA				EUROPE						
COUNTRY	CANADA		UNITED STATES		UNITED KINGDOM		IRISH FREE STATE		FRANCE		
Nature of Index	Dominion Bureau of Statistics		Bureau of Labor Statistics, Foods	National Industrial Conference Board, Cost of Living	Ministry of Labour		105 Towns & Localities		300 Towns Foods	Paris Foods	Paris Cost of Living
	Foods	Cost of Living			Foods	Cost of Living	Foods	Cost of Living			
Base Period	1926	1926	1923 (a)	1923	July, 1914		July, 1914		July, 1914		
1913	(c)	(c)	68.4						(g) (i)	(g)	
1914	68.9	66.0	70.0	60.2	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July	100 July
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	307	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	144	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		78.0	516
1935	70.4	79.3	84.4	83.1	125	143	140	155		69.1	483
	(e)	(e)	(f)	(f)	(e)	(e)	(f)	(f)		(f)	(d)
1935											
October	72.4	80.4	85.2	83.9	128	145	-	-	-	67.6	-
November	73.2	80.6	86.1	84.3	131	147	150	162	-	70.2	478
December	73.7	80.6	87.2	84.8	131	147	-	-		71.8	-
1936											
January	73.9	80.7	86.9	84.8	131	147	-	-		72.0	-
February	72.9	80.4	85.7	84.4	130	147	145	159		73.6	486
March	73.4	80.6	84.3	84.1	129	146	-	-		93.9	-
April	71.0	79.8	84.3	84.3	126	144	-	-		72.8	-
May	71.3	80.2	85.0	84.6	125	144	141	157		72.2	497
June	71.3	80.2	89.0	86.0	126	144				74.5	
July	72.6	80.5	85.8(j)	85.2(j)	129	146				73.6	
August	74.7	81.2	85.8	85.6		146					

(a) Original base, 1913= 100. Index for 1923 on 1913 base, 146.2. (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, 583. (h) Since 1929; 55 foodstuffs; base 1930. (i) 300 towns of more than 10,000 inhabitants, excluding Paris. Since 1929; 29 foodstuffs. (j) Revised figures.

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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 32 (67)	Foods Towns (n)
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		
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	2765100(g)	4651000(g)	109	106			692(f)	769(f)	1,181	1,213			1,868	2,399
1924	(a) 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	132	132	2,339	3,024
1926	141.2	144.4	165	172			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	100	748	842	1,868	1,929	118	131	2,875	2,883
1929	154.0	154.5	220	218	101.4	96.3	744	813	1,923	1,987	117	124	2,941	2,992
1930	148.1	142.9	228	209	94.4	83.7	746	782	1,682	1,719	106	105	2,690	2,439
1931	136.1	127.6	205	176	85.9	73.9	713	712	1,671(l)	1,576(l)	101	96	2,349	1,913
1932	120.6	112.3	184	150	78.2	64.9	700	677	1,773	1,697	98	91	2,160	1,765
1933	118.0	109.9	182	130	71.2	58.0	693	657	1,904	1,857	91	81	2,006	1,680
1934	121.1	116.2	175	143	66.5	52.3	685	633	1,937	1,898	89	77	1,873	1,676
1935	123.0	120.4	176	146	63.9	49.9	696	656	1,961	1,930	91	81	1,750	1,643
1935			(k)	(k)	(b)	(b)	(e)	(e)			(h)	(b)	(h)	(h)
August	124.5	123.2	177	147	65.1	51.7	710	686	1,944	1,902	94	86	1,757	1,596
September	123.4	120.9	182	154	65.6	52.2	704	671	1,955	1,923	93	85	1,751	1,594
October	122.8	119.6	186	160	65.8	52.4	702	668	1,983	1,976	93	84	1,699	1,609
November	122.9	119.9	188	163	65.4	52.0	700	665	1,989	1,975	93	84	1,711	1,636
December	123.4	120.9	187	160	61.1	48.7	703	670	1,996	1,982	93	85	1,714	1,649
1936														
January	124.3	122.3	187	161	60.3	47.7	707	673	2,026	2,037	95	86	1,709	1,636
February	124.3	122.3	188	162	59.7	46.9	708	677	2,017	2,018	96	87	1,717	1,656
March	124.2	122.2	185	159	59.7	46.9	707	673	2,013	2,011	96	87	1,708	1,634
April	124.3	122.4	183	155	60.7	48.4	707	674	2,011	2,009	96	89	1,656	1,615
May	124.3	122.4	181	151	61.3	49.3	709	677	2,002	1,999	96	88	1,656	1,616
June	124.5	122.8	182	155	60.7	48.4	710	683	1,994	1,984	95	86	1,659	1,622
July	125.3	124.0	180	149	60.8	48.6	706	675			95	86		

(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											
COUNTRY	ROUMANIA		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										
1914			1,000	1,000(h)	(e)	(e)						
1919									100(h)	100(h)	100(f)	100(f)
1920									2,374		222	224
1921	1,305(i)								4,828		224	242
1922	1,708				541	559			15,476(c)	57,600	200	213
1923	2,500				501	515			460,733	539,783	164	163
1924	2,985				494	499			74(a)	1250,108	164	165
1925	3,250				527	528			88	1480,583	169	172
1926	3,552				611	622			97	1612,150	168	169
1927	3,855				654	655			103	116(a)	162	160
1928	3,964		1,756	1,423	588	559			106	119	160	158
1929	4,244		1,819	1,446	530	517	92.2	93.7	108	119	161	157
1930	(4,206)	(4,046)	1,654	1,318	545	543	93.9	96.0	111	122	161	156
1931	3,004(j)	2,796(j)	1,523	1,202	530	519	90.7	90.6	111	118	158	152
1932	2,512	2,323	1,374	1,076	485	452	81.9	79.1	106	108	150	141
1933	2,319	2,163	1,189		468	431	78.1	74.4	108	110	138	126
1934	2,235	2,087	1,104		449		74.7	70.2	105		131	117
1935	2,552	2,439			430		70.9	66.9	105		129	115
1935			(k)						105		128	114
July	2,524	2,400	1,094		(d)		(d)	(d)	(b)		(g)	(g)
August	2,540	2,412	1,077		430		72.0	69.6	105		128	115
September	2,546	2,423			433		71.7	69.1	105		129	116
October	2,550	2,457					71.9	69.5	105		129	116
November	2,546	2,423							106		129	117
December	2,818	2,722							106		130	118
1936									104		130	118
January	2,954	2,860										
February	2,966	2,864							106		130	118
March	2,981	2,860							105		130	118
April	2,996	2,881							104		130	118
May									104		130	119
June									105		130	119
July									106		130	120
									104		130	120

(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 collowing month. (h) July.

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CONTINENT	EUROPE															
COUNTRY	NORWAY		SWEDEN		DENMARK		NETHERLANDS		FINLAND		ESTONIA		LATVIA		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 100 Localities	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)						1,058						
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	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	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)	151		139	119	131	117	88	77	76	-	75	-
1934	148	132	155(h)	123(h)			140	120	128	114	87	76	72	-	70	
1935	151	137	156(h)	129(h)			136	114	130	119	88	77	73		61	
1935	(i)	(i)	(b)	(b)	(b)		(b)	(b)			(d)	(d)				
July	151	140	156	129	172		136	116	130	119	87	76	79		59	
August	152	141	-	-			-	-	132	122	87	76	76		59	
September	152	140	-	-			-	-	132	121	88	77	73		59	
October	153	142	157	131			137	113	133	124	93	83	81		59	
November	153	142	-	-			-	-	133	123	94	83	75		60	
December	153	142	-	-			-	-	132	122	94	83	69		60	
1936																
January	153	142	158	132					130	118	94	84	66		61	
February	153	143	-	-					130	119	96	86	68		61	
March	154	144	-	-					130	118	96	87	69		61	
April	155	145	158	134					129	116	97	87	71		61	
May	155	144							128	115	97	87	72		61	
June	155	145							128	115					61	
July	155	145							129	116					62	

(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							
COUNTRY	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	Cost of Living Istanbul	Foods Istanbul	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	July 1914	July 1914	1913	1913	1925	1925
1913														100	100		
1914	100	100	1,000(c)	1,000(c)			100	100		1,000	1,000	100(a)	100(a)				
1919	174				202	224(a)	145					186(a)	187(a)				
1920	190				237	281(a)	179					190(a)	188(a)				
1921	189	184			196	196(a)	162	145				177(a)	174(a)	213	216		
1922	181	177			176	172(a)	135	119	88.2			165(a)	160(a)	173	172		
1923	177	174			162	152(a)	131	117	76.6			153(a)	148(a)	160	158		
1924	184	188			161	148(a)	133	120	79.4			157(a)	151(a)	167	166		
1925	189	195			165	158(a)	133	120	83.8			157(a)	152(a)	166	165	100	100
1926	187	191			160	158(a)	131	118	82.1			157(a)	155(a)	174	174	99	99
1927	189	196			153	147(a)	131	118	77.4			156(a)	154(a)	160	158	103	103
1928	176	178		3,030	152	144	131	117	73.7			147(a)	143(a)	148	148	106	104
1929	181	185	2,361	2,362	151	146	131	115	69.4	1,381	1,555	148(a)	145(a)	158	157	113	112
1930	186	194	2,243	2,241	148	141	128	110	61.4	1,272	1,292	140(a)	136(a)	152	152	121	117
1931	194	205	1,990	1,986	138	123	123	105	55.3	1,203	1,114	108(a)	100(a)	106	102	105	92
1932	187	192	1,949	1,948	132	112	118	96	56.6	1,172	1,030	109(a)	102(a)	80	76	92	76
1933	182		1,948		125	101	115	99	54.9	1,047	924	103(a)	95(a)			85	69
1934	186		1,968		127	110	116	104	55.1	1,031	912	97(a)	87(a)			78	60
1935			1,982		130	115	116	102	53.4	957	892	101(a)	93(a)				
1935	(b)		(b)									(d)	(d)				
July	176	-	1,989	-	130	116	116	102	54.6	938	863	101	93	-	-	-	-
August	175	-	1,971	-	129	113	115	101	54.2	933	850	103	94	-	-	77	-
September	178	-	2,005	-	130	113	115	100	53.1	934	852	103	94	-	-	-	-
October	-	-	2,014	-	133	118	115	100	53.6	955	892	103	94	-	-	-	-
November	-	-	1,951	-	132	117	115	101	53.5	980	931	104	96	-	-	-	-
December	-	-	1,992	-	132	118	115	101	53.8	997	971	105	96	-	-	-	-
1936																	
January			1,972		131	116	116	102	54.1	979	947	103	96	-	-	-	-
February			1,962		132	115	116	102	53.3	983	962	102	93	-	-	-	-
March			1,952		132	116	116	102	53.5	980	973	102	94	-	-	-	-
April			1,936		130	112	116	102	52.9	971	963	100	92	-	-	-	-
May			2,012		130	112	116	103	54.2	949	914	100	92	-	-	-	-
June			2,037		130	112	116	103	56.4	950	923	100	92	-	-	-	-
July					130	113			59.1								

(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	100		
1914					100 July	100 July	68.7	64.1	62.8July	70.3	104	107		
1919									91.2	102.7	188	188		
1920									101.9	116.5	210	208		
1921							101.3	95.4	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	115
1933	81.0	72.4	107.2	86.9	146	161	80.3	75.4	79.5	73.2	148	139	140	147
1934	79.5	69.9	106.2	86.4	149	164	81.6	78.6	80.8	77.4	150	148	140	149
1935	85.9	79.0	106.6	89.1	152	170		80.9	83.6	83.5	152	147	140	155
1935					(b)	(b)	(a)		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)		
July	86.9	80.2	105.2	90.3	150	165	-	81.2	83.2	82.6	152	147	140	157
August	87.8	81.8	104.6	88.6	152	172	83.6	82.0	83.6	82.8	153	149	140	156
September	84.1	77.1	105.4	89.8	154	177	-	82.6	83.9	83.7	152	146	141	158
October	85.5	79.1	103.9	86.3	154	175	-	82.7	85.3	87.4	153	147	141	159
November	92.8	88.8	109.2	90.3	155	175	83.8	82.0	85.1	87.3	155	151	142	158
December	93.5	89.4	109.3	88.9	156	177	-	81.3	84.5	85.5	155	150	143	162
1936														
January	95.3	92.9	111.0	93.3	157	180	-	81.2	84.0	84.1	157	154	141	157
February	95.1	93.0	112.0	98.6	159	185	83.8	81.5	83.9	83.0	158	155	143	155
March	97.6	95.8	114.1	102.2	160	186	-	80.7	83.8	82.7	158	155	147	159
April	98.2	96.1	111.7	97.9	160	188	-	81.5	84.5	84.5	158	155	151	
May	102.7	102.4	111.1	97.6	160	188	83.8	81.6	85.2	86.1	160	157	152	
June	98.6	97.0	111.8	99.3	158	183		81.8	85.5	87.0	160	157		
July	102.5	102.2			158	183								

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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	100		
1914					100 July	100 July	68.7	64.1	62.8July	70.3	104	107		
1919									91.2	102.7	188	188		
1920									101.9	116.5	210	208		
1921							101.3	95.4	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	115
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