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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1934.
(1926-100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926-100 fell fractionally from 71.4 for the week ending December 14 to 71.3 for the week of December 21. Weakness in grains, coffee, and eggs was a factor in this decline. Western steers, butter, and copper advanced moderately.

Vegetable Products dropped from 67.1 to 66.9 due principally to slight losses in grains. In the Animal group advances for livestock, butter and cheese were offset by losses for cured meats and eggs and the index remained at 66.3. Lower prices for spruce deals caused Wood Products to drop from 64.7 to 64.5. Rolling Mill Products showed sufficient strength to raise the index for Iron from 86.7 to 86.8. Better prices for copper increased the Non-Ferrous Metals group from 63.6 to 63.7 and the index for Non-Metallic Minerals also rose 0.1 from 86.0 to 86.1. Chemicals mounted from 80.6 to 80.7 when slight gains were reported for paint materials. Textile Products remained unchanged at 72.6.

Canadian Farm Products fell from 61.8 to 61.4. Losses in hay and grains caused the Vegetable group to drop from 56.3 to 55.6, while strength in livestock was mainly responsible for an advance in the Animal group from 71.0 to 71.2

	No. or Price Series	Jan.5	Mar.2	Nov.30	Dec.7	Dec.14	Dec.21
Total Index	567	69.9	72.2	71.2	71.4	71.4	71.3
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS							
I. Vegetable Products {grains, fruits, etc.) ...	135	62.8	65.4	66.7	67.1	67.1	66.9
II. Animals and Their Products	76	64.9	71.7	66.2	66.2	66.3	66.3
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	71.8	74.0	72.5	72.6	72.6	72.6
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	64.7	65.3	64.9	64.9	64.7	64.5
V. Iron and Its Products ...	44	86.1	87.1	86.7	86.7	86.7	86.8
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	66.9	66.7	63.4	63.6	63.6	63.7
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	86.1	86.1	86.0	86.0	86.0	86.1
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	81.1	80.6	80.6	80.6	80.6	80.7
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	53.6	58.2	61.3	61.8	61.8	61.4

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