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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 from 72.3 for the week ended August 17, to 72.2 for the week of August 24. Declines occurred for wheat, livestock, raw silk, raw wool, and most non-ferrous metals. Following a gradual advance beginning in the latter half of July the index reached the highest point of the year for the week of August 10, but since then most of this rise has been wiped out. Movements of the index in the past six weeks have been influenced appreciably by the advance and subsequent decline of grain prices, and broadly similar fluctuations in textiles and non-ferrous metals.

Declines for wheat, bran and shorts caused the Vegetable Products index to fall from 70.0 to 69.6 despite increases for barley, oats and ryo. Animal Products were unchanged at 65.2, advances for meats and hogs being offset by decreases for other livestock. Textiles fell from 73.6 to 73.5 due to lower quotations for raw silk and raw wool. Non-Ferrous Metals moved down from 63.1 to 62.9 because of price reductions for copper, lead, and tin. Wood Products at 65.5, Iron and Its Products at 87.0, Non-Metallic Minerals at 86.1, and Chemicals at 81.8, were unchanged.

Canadian Farm Products fell from 61.7 to 61.3, with lower wheat and livestock prices of more consequence than increases for barley, rye, and oats.

	No. of Price Series	Jan.5	Mar.2	Aug. 3	, 1	Aug. 1	Aug. 24
Total Index 567 Commodities INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS I. Vegetable Products (grains,	567	69.9	72.2	72.5	x72.9	72.3	72.2
fruits, etc.) II. Animals and Their Products III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile	135 76	62.8	65.4 7 1. 7	70.0	71.9 64.7	70.0 65.2	69.6 65.2
Products IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper V. Iron and Its Products	85 49 44	71.8 64.7 86.1	74.0 65.3 87.1	73.4 65.8 87.1	74.0 63.8 87.1	x73.6 x65.5 87.0	73.5 65.5 87.0
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	66.9	66.7	62.7	62.9	63.1	62.9
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products VIII. Ohemicals and Allied Products	83 77	86.1	86.1	86.0 81.8	86.0%	786.1 81.8	86.1
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	53.6	58.2	61.5	63.5	61.7	61.3

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