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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 advanced from 72.1 for the week ending September 7th to 72.3 for the week ending September 14th. Price changes were limited in number and usually of small proportions. Gains in wheat, milled feeds and dairy products were noted, which were sufficient to more than offset declines in fresh meats, raw sugar, raw silk and non-ferrous metals.

The Vegetable Products index rose from 68.7 to 69.1. Wheat and barley were firmer while corn, flax and rye moved downward. Raw sugar sought still lower levels and raw rubber was slightly weaker. Animal Products increased from 66.8 to 67.4. Better prices for livestock on the Toronto market were of more importance than recessions in calves, bacon hogs and lambs on the Winnipeg market. Fresh meats shaded off slightly while butter and cheese strengthened. A reduction in raw silk prices was largely responsible for the index number of Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products dropping from 72.9 to 72.8. Among Non-Ferrous Metals, domestic electrolytic copper, silver and zinc still continued downward and caused the index number for this group to drop from 62.3 to 62.0. Four of the eight groups in the index, viz., Wood, Wood Products and Paper, Iron and Its Products, Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products and Chemicals and Allied Products remained unchanged at 65.5, 87.0, 86.1 and 81.8 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products rose from 60.8 to 61.8. Gains in grains, hay and onions increased the index for field products from 58.9 to 59.7 and higher prices for livestock, hides, wool and eggs moved the index for the animal group from 64.0 to 65.2.

	: No. of :	:	:	:	:	:	:
	: Price :	Jan.5	Mar.2	Aug.24	Aug.31	Sept.7	Sept.14
	: Series :	:	:	:	:	:	:
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Total Index 567 Commodities	567	69.9	72.2	72.2	71.8	x72.1	72.3
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS							
I. Vegetable Products (grains, fruits, etc.)	135	62.8	65.4	69.6	68.3	x68.7	69.1
II. Animals and Their Products	76	64.9	71.7	65.6	65.7	x66.8	67.4
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	71.8	74.0	73.5	72.9	72.9	72.8
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	64.7	65.3	65.5	65.5	65.5	65.5
V. Iron and Its Products	44	86.1	87.1	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	66.9	66.7	62.9	62.9	62.3	62.0
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	81.1	80.6	81.9	81.8	81.8	81.8
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	53.6	58.2	61.3	60.5	x60.8	61.8

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