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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1934-1935.  
(1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 moved up from 71.4 for the week ending January 18 to 71.7 for the week ending January 25. Advances occurred in grains, livestock and meats while reductions were reported for raw sugar, eggs and copper. In comparing the present prices of grains with those of a year ago, it is interesting to note that the index number for this sub-group has risen approximately 25 per cent.

Vegetables rose from 66.7 to 67.2 when increases in grains, flour and milled products and vegetable oils proved of more importance than declines in rubber and raw sugar. Decreases in hides and eggs were not large enough to offset gains in livestock, meats and milk products and the index for Animal Products moved upward from 67.0 to 67.9. Raw silk and raw wool were firmer and the index for Textiles mounted from 72.6 to 72.7 while lower prices in Maritime spruce depressed the index for Wood Products from 64.8 to 64.6. Non-Ferrous Metals moved down from 64.0 to 63.9 because of lower quotations for copper, but Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals remained unchanged at 86.9, 86.3 and 80.8 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products advanced from 60.9 to 61.2. Field Products, showing substantial increases for grains and vegetables, changed from 55.2 to 55.6 while Animals rose from 70.5 to 70.6 with better prices for livestock the chief contributing factor.

	No. of	1934		1935				
	Price	Jan. 26	Mar. 2	Dec. 28	Jan. 4	Jan. 11	Jan. 18	Jan. 25
	Series:						18	
Total Index 567								
Commodities .....	567	70.8	72.2	71.3	+71.3	+71.4	+71.4	71.7
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS								
I. Vegetable Products (grains, fruits, etc.) .....	135	64.4	65.4	66.7	66.6	66.9	66.7	67.2
II. Animals and Their Products .....	76	65.8	71.7	66.3	66.7	67.0	67.0	67.9
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85	72.9	74.0	72.7	72.8	72.6	72.6	72.7
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper ....	49	65.2	65.3	64.5	+64.7	+64.6	+64.8	64.6
V. Iron and Its Products .....	44	86.7	87.1	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.9	86.9
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18	67.1	66.7	63.9	64.1	64.0	64.0	63.9
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83	86.0	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.3	86.3
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products ..	77	80.6	80.6	80.6	80.6	80.6	80.8	80.8
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	55.9	58.2	61.6	61.8	61.8	60.9	61.2

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