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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 declined from 73.0 for the week ending October 18 to 72.8 for the week ending October 25. Products of the farm were lower while Non-Ferrous Metals was the only one of the eight classes to make an advance.

Vegetable Products fell from 68.3 to 67.7. Grains, milled products, vegetable oils, raw sugar and vegetables were weaker but raw rubber continued its slow advance. Of the vegetable oils, chinawood oil commanded the most attention of late. In the past two weeks it has dropped to almost the same level occupied before the spectacular rise of approximately 100 p.c. in the preceding five weeks. Animal Products moved down from 73.6 to 73.3. Lard and eggs were dearer, but hides, livestock, cured and fresh meats showed reductions. Livestock prices are still considerably higher than they were a year ago and the index now stands at 74.8 as compared with 61.5 for the corresponding week of 1934. Declines in worsted cloth yarns offset advances in raw silk and raw wool and the index for Textiles remained at 69.2. Non-Ferrous Metals rose from 73.5 to 73.6 when gains in copper, tin and zinc proved of more weight than recessions in lead and antimony. Wood, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals were unchanged at 64.8, 87.1, 85.0 and 77.0 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products dropped from 65.5 to 65.1. Field Products fell from 58.8 to 57.8, reflecting weakness in grains and vegetables, while Animal Products rose from 76.8 to 77.3 when advances in eggs and wool proved of more importance than declines in livestock and hides.

	No. of	1934	1935				
	Price						
	Series	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.
		26	27	4	11	18	25

		567	71.2	72.7	73.0	73.2	73.0	72.8
Total Index	567							
Commodities .....	567	71.2	72.7	73.0	73.2	73.0	72.8	
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS								
I. Vegetable Products .....	135	66.0	68.1	68.7	68.9	68.3	67.7	
(grains, fruits, etc.)								
II. Animals and Their Products ...	76	67.3	72.2	72.2	72.8	x73.6	73.3	
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85	72.5	68.6	68.8	68.9	69.2	69.2	
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper.	49	65.2	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	64.8	
V. Iron and Its Products .....	44	86.7	87.1	87.1	87.1	87.1	87.1	
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18	63.1	72.6	73.7	74.5	73.5	73.6	
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83	86.2	85.2	85.3	85.3	85.0	85.0	
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products.	77	80.6	76.9	76.9	77.0	77.0	77.0	
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	60.6	65.4	65.9	66.3	x65.5	65.1	

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