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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 rose from 72.7 for the week ending September 27 to 73.0 for the week ending October 4. This was attributable largely to advances in grains, livestock and non-ferrous metals. Few recessions of any importance occurred while new highs for the year were reached by copper, raw sugar and the grain group. Canadian wholesale price indexes have not reached current levels since April 1931.

Vegetable Products moved up from 68.1 to 68.7. May wheat futures again topped the dollar mark and flour, vegetable oils and raw sugar were stronger. Animal Products remained at 72.2. Fresh meats continued to decline but hides were firmer. Unusually heavy shipments of livestock failed to depress further markets which rallied to regain part of the losses of the previous week. Raw cotton was sharply up and with firmness in raw silk proved more effective than a drop in cotton fabrics to move the index for Textiles from 68.6 to 68.8. An advance in coal was reflected in a rising index for Non-Metallic Minerals which changed from 85.2 to 85.3 while strength in copper, lead, and zinc increased the index for Non-Ferrous Metals from 72.6 to 73.7. Wood, Iron and Chemicals remained at 65.0, 87.1 and 76.9 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products advanced from 65.4 to 65.9. Strength in grains and vegetables was sufficient to raise the index for Field Products from 59.9 to 60.3 while gains in livestock and hides increased the index for Animal Products from 74.7 to 75.2.

	: No. of	: 1934		: 1935					
		: Price	: Series	: Sept. 28	: Sept. 6	: Sept. 13	: Sept. 20	: Sept. 27	: Oct. 4
Total Index 567				71.7	71.6	72.3	72.9	72.7	73.0
Commodities .....	567								
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS									
I. Vegetable Products .....	135			67.9	65.2	67.1	68.7	68.1	68.7
(grains, fruits, etc.)									
II. Animals and Their Products .....	76			66.7	70.8	71.5	72.7	x72.2	72.2
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85			72.7	70.3	70.3	68.8	x68.6	68.8
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper .....	49			65.5	64.2	64.2	64.9	65.0	65.0
V. Iron and Its Products .....	44			86.6	87.1	87.1	87.1	87.1	87.1
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18			62.0	70.3	70.6	71.7	72.6	73.7
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83			86.3	85.1	85.1	85.2	85.2	85.3
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products .....	77			81.9	79.5	79.5	76.9	76.9	76.9
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70			60.7	61.6	64.2	66.3	65.4	65.9

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