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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 72.4 for the week ending November 8 to 72.5 for the week ending November 15. Price changes were somewhat irregular and Vegetables, Textiles and Wood Products advanced while Animal Products and Non-Ferrous Metals declined.

Vegetable Products rose from 66.5 to 66.8. Grains averaged slightly lower and wheat dipped sharply in the middle of the week but later a brisk rally recovered most of the loss of the previous week. Cocoa products were easier while vegetables, flour and miscellaneous vegetable products moved up. Animal Products fell from 73.1 to 72.9. Livestock receipts were a little below those of last week and were well cleared with prices remaining firm. Higher quotations were reported for leather, and butter continued to rise but fish, hides, cured meats, fats and eggs sold lower. Of the fresh meats, beef advanced but weakness in pork was sufficient to lower the index of this sub-group from 67.4 to 67.0, which compares with 59.7 for the corresponding week of last year. Textile Products rose from 69.4 to 69.7. Raw silk was again lower but strength was evident in both raw cotton and raw wool. Raw wool has gained approximately 25 p.c. in price during the past year and the index now stands at 59.6 as compared with 47.4 for the third week in November, 1934. Spruce, fir and cedar advanced, changing the index for Wood Products from 64.7 to 65.0, while reductions were common among the non-ferrous metals and the index dropped from 73.2 to 72.8. No changes of importance occurred in Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals nor Chemicals which remained at 87.1, 85.0 and 77.3 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products mounted from 63.7 to 64.2. Easiness in grains was more than offset by strength in vegetables and the index for Field Products moved from 55.9 to 56.2. Animal Products advanced from 76.8 to 77.7 when gains in livestock and wool proved of more importance than recessions in hides and eggs.

		: No. of		: 1934			: 1935	
		: Price	: Nov.	: Oct.	: Nov.	: Nov.	: Nov.	
		: Series	: 16	: 25	: 1	: 8	: 15	
Total Index	567							
Commodities	567	71.2	72.9	72.4	x72.4		72.5	
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS								
I.	Vegetable Products (grains, fruits, etc.)	135	66.6	67.7	66.5	x66.5		66.8
II.	Animals and Their Products	76	66.7	73.7	73.4	73.1		72.9
III.	Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	72.4	69.2	69.3	69.4		69.7
IV.	Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	64.9	64.8	64.8	64.7		65.0
V.	Iron and Its Products	44	86.7	87.1	87.1	87.1		87.1
VI.	Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	62.5	73.6	72.9	73.2		72.8
VII.	Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	86.0	85.0	85.0	85.0		85.0
VIII.	Chemicals and Allied Products	77	80.6	77.4	77.4	x77.3		77.3
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	61.4	65.2	x64.0	x63.7			64.2

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