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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 remained unchanged at 71.8 for the week ending February 15. Grains, livestock and non-ferrous metals advanced but raw sugar, fish, and meats displayed reactionary tendencies.

The index for Vegetable Products rose from 67.0 to 67.1 with easier prices for raw sugar failing to offset strength in grains. Animal Products dropped from 68.8 to 68.7, lower quotations for fish, fresh meats, cured meats and eggs influencing the index more than higher prices for livestock, milk products, oils and fats. Maritime spruce lost its gain of last week and lowered the index for Wood from 64.8 to 64.6, while Iron moved up from 86.9 to 87.2 due to an increase in the price of tin-plate. Advances in copper, antimony and silver were chiefly responsible for the index of Non-Ferrous metals rising from 63.6 to 63.7. Textiles, Non-Metallic Linerals and Chemicals remained unchanged at 72.5, 86.4 and 80.7 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products were 61.3 for the week ending February 15 as compared with 61.0 for the previous week, and 57.7 for February 16, 1934. Slightly higher prices for grains and hay were sufficient to raise the index for Field Products from 55.2 to 55.6 and firmness in livestock, hides and skins, and milk advanced the index of Animals from 70.7 to 70.8.

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Total Index 567 Commodities INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS I. Vegetable Products	••••	567	71.9	71.4	71.4	71.7	71.8	71.8	71.8
(grains, fruits, etc.) II. Animals and Their Products III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile		135 76	65.5 69.9		66.7			67.0 ×68.8	67.1 68.7
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper V. Iron and Its Products VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their	400	85 49 44	74.1 65.3 87.1	72.6 64.6 86.8	72.6 64.8 86.9	64.6		72.5 64.8 86.9	72.5 64.6 87.2
Products		18	66.8	64.0	64.0	63.9	63.8	63.6	63.7
Products		83 77	86.1	86.1		-	86.4	86.4	86.4
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS		70	57.7	61.3	60.9	61.2	61.3	61.0	61.3

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