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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 fell from 72.2 for the week ending March 15th to 72.0 for the week ending March 22nd. Foods and Textiles were lower but better prices were reported for Non-Ferrous Metals.

Vegetable Products dropped from 67.4 to 67.2. Price changes occurring were usually in a downward direction and grains, milled products, raw rubber and vegetables were weaker. Animal Products developed an easier tendency also and the index moved from 70.0 to 69.2. The Lenten season has seen, as usual, a slackening in the demand for meats and lower prices and a falling away in sales, both for export and domestic use, were features of the livestock markets. Fresh and cured meats were cheaper and milk products and eggs showed reductions in price also. Raw silk recovered, in part, the losses of last week, but continued weakness in raw cotton decreased the index for Textiles from 71.9 to 71.8. The index for raw wool stood at 42.5 this week as compared with 76.8 for a year ago. Although tin continued to fall, strength in copper, lead and zinc changed the index for Non-Ferrous Metals from 64.8 to 65.4. No changes occurred in Wood, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals which remained at 64.7, 87.6, 86.4, and 80.4 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products fell from 62.7 to 62.3. Field Products declined from 56.3 to 56.1 because of weakness in grains and potatoes, and lower prices for live-stock, hides and eggs reduced the index for Animals from 73.3 to 72.8.

	: No. of	: 1934	: 1935						
	: Price	: March:	: Feb.:	: Feb.:	: Mar.:	: Mar.:	: Mar.:	: Mar.:	: Mar.:
	: Series	: 23	: 15	: 22	: 1	: 8	: 15	: 22	
	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Total Index	567	71.8	71.9	72.1	72.3	72.4	x72.2	72.0	
Commodities .....	567	71.8	71.9	72.1	72.3	72.4	x72.2	72.0	
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS.									
I. Vegetable Products .....	135	65.5	67.2	67.3	67.5	67.6	x67.4	67.2	
(grains, fruits, etc.)									
II. Animals and Their Products .....	76	69.4	68.7	69.7	70.9	70.8	x70.0	69.2	
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85	74.2	72.5	72.5	72.5	72.5	x71.9	71.8	
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper .....	49	65.4	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.7	64.7	
V. Iron and Its Products ....	44	87.1	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.6	87.6	
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18	64.8	63.7	63.7	64.2	64.7	64.8	65.4	
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83	86.1	86.4	86.4	86.4	86.4	86.4	86.4	
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products .....	77	80.9	80.6	80.6	80.5	80.5	x80.4	80.4	
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	56.2	61.4	62.7	63.2	63.2	62.7	62.3	

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