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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 advanced from 71.2 for the week ending July 12 to 71.4 for the week ending July 19. Products of the farm brought better prices and copper continued to rise while Iron and Non-Metallic Minerals moved down.

Vegetable Products rose from 65.6 to 66.2. In the Fresh Fruit division, lemons almost doubled in price and the index advanced sharply. Grain quotations at Winnipeg moved within narrow limits but averaged slightly under those of the previous week. Vegetable oils and canned vegetables were firmer while milled products and rubber showed small reductions. The livestock markets were again dull with both cattle and hogs selling lower. Hides were easy and fresh meats shaded off slightly, but gains in fish, leather, cured meats and dairy products raised the index for Animal Products from 68.4 to 68.5. Wood rose from 64.0 to 64.3 when increases in furniture and shingles proved of more consequence than recessions in cedar boards and pulp. A reduction in scrap iron was chiefly responsible for the Iron index falling from 87.2 to 87.1. Silver continued downward but the balance of the non-ferrous metals were reported at slightly higher prices and increased the index from 68.7 to 69.4. A price war in gasoline is being waged in certain territories and as a result a drop of from 85.1 to 84.6 occurred in Non-Metallic Minerals. No change was made in Textiles or Chemicals which remained at 70.6 and 79.8 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products rose from 60.5 to 60.8. An advance in vegetables was largely influential in raising the Field Products from 54.1 to 55.0 while lower prices for livestock and hides decreased the Animal Products from 71.2 to 70.6.

	No. of	1934	1935						
	Price	July	June	June	June	July	July	July	
	Series	20	14	21	28	5	12	19	
Total Index 567									
Commodities	567	72.3	71.6	71.5	71.3	71.2	*71.2	71.4	
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS									
I. Vegetable Products	135	69.2	65.9	66.3	66.0	65.5	65.6	66.2	
(grains, fruits, etc.)									
II. Animals and Their Products	76	66.3	69.4	68.6	68.3	68.7	*68.4	68.5	
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	73.6	70.4	70.3	70.3	70.5	70.6	70.6	
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	65.9	63.9	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.3	
V. Iron and Its Products	44	87.1	87.4	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.1	
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	63.1	70.0	69.2	68.2	68.4	68.7	69.4	
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	85.9	85.4	85.4	85.4	85.4	*85.1	84.6	
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	82.0	79.8	79.8	79.7	79.8	79.8	79.8	
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	60.9	62.2	61.6	61.3	60.7	60.5	60.8	

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Year	Manufacturing	Services	Total
1986	1,100,000	1,100,000	2,200,000
1987	1,234,567	1,100,000	2,334,567