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## WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLES.LE PRICES, 1934-1935. (1926-100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926-100 rose from 72.2 for the week ending September 13 to 72.7 for the week ending September 20. Price changes were numerous and new highs for the year were reached by wheat, raw silk, copper and zinc.

Vegetable Products increased from 67.1 to 68.7. A good export movement in wheat continued and grains moved up. Flour, vegetables and vegetable oils showed strength also but refined sugars were slightly lower. Animal Products advanced from 71.3 to 72.3. The livestock markets experienced some difficulty in absorbing the abnormally heavy offerings received during the week and, consequently, prices were down. Eggs suffered a slight reaction and fish declined while hides, leather, meats and milk products made moderate advances. Raw cotton, raw silk and raw wool all moved up but a reduction in cotton fabrics provided sufficient weight to lower the index for Textiles from 70.3 to 68.8. Wood Products eased from 64.2 to 64.1 when recassions in spruce and wood pulp proved of more consequence than increases in pine and furniture, while a sharp reduction in prepared paints lowered the index for Chamicals from 79.5 to 76.9. Led by copper non-ferrous metals again advanced, the index for this group moving up from 70.6 to 71.7. Increases in crude oil and coal caused the index for Non-Metallic Minerals to mount from 85.1 to 85.2 while Iron remained unchanged at 87.1.

The index for Canadian Farm Products rose from 64.2 to 66.3. Grains and potatoes were chiefly responsible for increasing the index for Field Products from 58.0 to 60.8. Advances in hides and milk outweighed a drop in livestock and moved the index for Animal Products from 74.6 to 75.5.

	1	No. of : Price : Series:	Sept.	:Aug.:					
Total Index 567 Commodities	e e	. 567	71.9	71.6	71.8	71.4	71.5	72.2	72.7
I. Vegetable Products		. 135	68.2	66.1	66.4	65.3	65.2	67.1	68.7
II. Animals and Their Products		. 76	67.4	69.7	70.1	69.5	70.6	71.3	72.3
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products  IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper V. Iron and Its Products		. 49	65.3	70.5 64.2 87.1	64.2	64.2	64.2	64.2	68.8 64.1 87.1
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products		. 18	61.9	69.7	70.6	70.6	70.3	70.6	71.7
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Thei Products VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	a - b		86.3 81.9	84.7 79.8		84.9			85. <b>2</b> 76.9
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS		. 70	61.1	61.8	62.6	61.3	61.6	64.2	66.3



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