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## WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1934 - 1935. (1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 declined from 71.8 for the week ending August 23 to 71.4 for the week ending August 30. The changes noted were confined almost entirely to foods and textiles.

Vegetable Products dropped from 66.4 to 65.3. Grains were lower despite continued reports of decreased yields and general crop deterioration and flour and milled products receded in sympathy. As the new potato crop is marketed in increasing quantities, prices are declining; hay also sold lower in some localities. Animal Products decreased from 70.1 to 69.8. Exports of livestock were comparitively light but a good movement of cattle continued generally throughout the Dominion. Calves were active and prices firmer, but other classes eased to lower levels reducing the livestock index to 78.6 as compared with 83.4 for last week and 67.8 for the corresponding week of last year. Eggs tended downward and cured meats lost much of the gain of the previous week, but fish, oils and fats, and hides showed slight gains. Textiles fell from 70.4 to 70.3 largely because of weakness in raw cotton, which increases in worsted cloth yarns and raw silk were unable to offset. Raw silk, particularly, has displayed unusual strength and activity of late and reached a high for the year during the past two weeks. Wood, Iron, Non-Ferrous Metals, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals remained at 64.2, 87.1, 70.6, 84.9 and 79.8 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products dropped slightly below last week's level of 62.6 and now stands at 61.2. Lower grain prices were largely responsible for decreasing the Field Products from 56.5 to 55.0 while declines in livestock, poultry and eggs reduced the index for Animal Products from 72.9 to 71.7.

	No.of Price Series	Aug	1935 July: Aug.: Aug.: Aug.: Aug. 26 : 2 : 9 : 16 : 23 : 30
Total Index 567 Commodities INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS		71.8	71.4 71.8 71.6 71.6 71.8 71.4
Vegetable Products	. 135	68.3	66.1 67.0 66.6 66.1 x66.4 65.3
II. Animals and Their Products III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile	. 76	65.7	68.4 69.0 69.1 69.7 70.1 69.8
Products  IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper  V. Iron and Its Products  VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their	, 49	72.9 65.5 87.0	70.8 70.8 70.4 70.5 70.4 70.3 64.2 64.2 64.2 64.2 64.2 64.2 87.1 87.1 87.1 87.1
Products VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their	18	62.9	69.2 69.6 69.6 69.7 70.6 70.6
Products VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	8 <b>3</b> 77		84.6 84.6 84.6 84.7 x84.9 84.9 79.8 79.8 79.8 79.8 79.8
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	60.5	61.1 62.3 61.8 61.8 62.6 61.2

