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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1935-1936.
(1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 advanced from 72.8 for the week ending January 3 to 72.9 for the week ending January 10. Higher prices were reported for raw rubber, fresh meats and butter while reductions occurred for eggs, raw cotton and copper.

Vegetable Products rose from 67.9 to 68.2. Grains worked lower with export sales light but a rally on the closing day brought the average higher than for the previous week. Potatoes showed strength and raw rubber continued its slow rise. Eggs exerted/determining influence upon the index for Animal Products which declined from 73.4 to 73.3. Increasingly large shipments of fresh eggs have been appearing on the market for some time and providing serious competition for storage stocks. Grade A large, at Montreal, dropped 6½¢ during the week and were quoted at 32¢ on January 10 which was the same price they brought on the same date of last year. Raw cotton was easier but firmness in cloth and silk thread moved the index for Textiles from 69.6 to 69.7, while recessions in copper, tin and antimony lowered the index for Non-Ferrous Metals from 68.7 to 68.6. Wood, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals were unchanged at 65.8, 87.2, 85.4 and 77.5 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products remained at 66.5. Buoyancy in grains, potatoes and hay advanced the index for Field Products from 58.9 to 59.2 while Animal Products dropped 79.2 to 78.7 when a decrease in eggs proved of more consequence than strength in livestock, hides, and poultry.

	: No. of : Price : Series	: 1935			: 1936	
		: Jan.	: Dec.	: Dec.	: Jan.	: Jan.
		: 11	: 20	: 27	: 3	: 10
Total Index 567						
Commodities	567	71.4	72.8	72.6	72.8	72.9
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Products	135	66.9	67.6	67.5	67.9	68.2
(grains, fruits, etc.)						
II. Animals and Their Products	76	67.0	73.1	72.9	73.4	73.3
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	72.6	69.6	69.6	69.6	69.7
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper..	49	64.6	65.5	65.5	x65.8	65.8
V. Iron and Its Products	44	86.8	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.2
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	64.0	70.8	69.4	68.7	68.6
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	86.1	85.4	85.4	85.4	85.4
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products..	77	80.6	77.5	77.5	77.5	77.5
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	61.8	65.6	65.8	66.5	66.5

x Revised.

