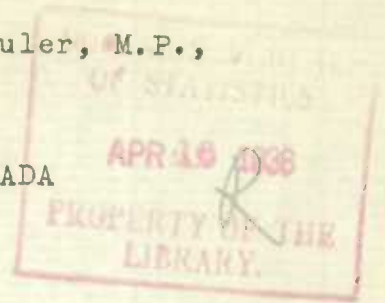


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1935-1936.  
(1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices, on the base 1926=100, fell from 72.1 for the week ending April 3 to 72.0 for the week ending April 10. This was the fifth successive week the index had declined and the drop was due largely to reductions in the prices of farm products. Exports of livestock continued in good volume while the index for raw rubber again reached the high for the year.

Vegetable Products dropped from 65.9 to 65.6. Raw rubber and vegetables were strong but grains, milled products and vegetable oils receded. Higher quotations were reported for potatoes and the index for this group is now more than double that of a year ago. Animal Products declined from 69.8 to 69.7. Eggs averaged 1½ cents lower and milk products sagged because of weakness in butter and cheese, but hides, prepared meats and lard advanced. The number of cattle exported to United States markets was slightly less than for the preceding week but formed a larger percentage of the total sales and, in consequence, livestock prices were well maintained. Influenced by weakness in Japanese markets, raw silk prices dropped sharply, lowering the index for this commodity by 2.1. The Textile index, however, was unchanged at 69.7. Copper prices were firmer but lead, tin and zink moved down, carrying the index for Non-Ferrous Metals from 69.2 to 69.1. Wood, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals remained at 67.9, 87.3, 85.9 and 77.2 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products were unchanged at 64.4. Field Products rose from 58.7 to 58.9 because of strength in vegetables while a reduction in eggs was mainly responsible for lowering the index for Animal Products from 74.0 to 73.7.

	No. of Price Series	<u>1935</u> Apr. 12	<u>1936</u> Mar. 20	Mar. 27	Apr. 3	Apr. 10
Total Index 567 Commodities ..	567	72.5	72.4	72.2	72.1	72.0
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Products .....	135	69.3	66.8	66.4	65.9	65.6
(grains, fruits, etc.)						
II. Animals and Their Products	76	69.4	70.4	69.4	69.8	69.7
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85	70.6	69.7	69.7	69.7	69.7
IV. Wood, Wood Products & Paper	49	64.4	67.9	67.9	67.9	67.9
V. Iron and Its Products ...	44	87.0	87.3	87.3	87.3	87.3
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18	67.7	69.3	69.3	*69.2	69.1
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83	85.8	85.9	85.9	85.9	85.9
VIII. Chemicals & Allied Products	77	80.3	77.3	77.2	77.2	77.2
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	65.1	65.7	64.6	64.4	64.4

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