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

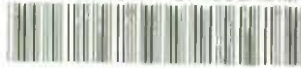
The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices, on the base 1926=100, fell from 72.1 for the week ending May 1 to 71.9 for the week ending May 8. Price changes, with few exceptions, were downward and wheat quotations at Winnipeg reached new lows for the season as rains continued to fall in the south-western United States. Livestock prices were lower, also, although sales for export were quite heavy, and numerous declines occurred among the non-ferrous metals.

Vegetable Products moved from 66.4 to 65.8. Sales of wheat for export were in fair volume but Manitoba No.1 Northern finished 2¢ per bushel below last week's close. Raw rubber and raw sugar were easier and reports from eastern points indicated a reduction in the price of potatoes. Animal Products fell from 69.5 to 69.4. Furs and eggs were firmer but fish, hides, livestock, milk products and fats receded. The increase in furs was general and the index for this group rose to 64.3 representing an increase of 14.0 points during the past twelve months. An advance in worsted cloth yarns was offset by a fall in raw wool and the Textile index remained at 69.3, but Non-Ferrous Metals dropped from 68.6 to 68.1 when declines were reported in antimony, copper, lead, tin and zinc. No changes of importance occurred in Wood, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals which remained at 68.0, 87.4, 85.5 and 77.4 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products fell from 65.3 to 64.9. Field Products declined from 60.3 to 60.1 because of reductions in grains, potatoes and hay, and Animal Products dropped from 73.7 to 72.9 when decreases in livestock, hides and wool proved of more consequence than an advance in eggs.

	:No. of	: 1935 :		: 1936 :		
		: Price	: May	: Apr.	: Apr.	: May
	: Series	: 10	: 17	: 24	: 1	: 8
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Total Index 567 Commodities .....	567	72.4	72.2	72.3	72.1	71.9
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Product .....	135	68.5	66.6	67.3	66.4	65.8
(grains, fruits, etc.)						
II. Animals and Their Products .....	76	69.9	69.8	68.9	69.5	69.4
III. Fibres, Textiles and						
Textile Products .....	85	70.5	69.5	69.5	x69.3	69.3
IV. Wood, Wood Products & Paper .....	49	63.9	68.0	68.0	68.0	68.0
V. Iron and Its Products .....	44	87.4	87.4	87.4	87.4	87.4
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their						
Products .....	18	69.7	68.8	68.9	68.6	68.1
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their						
Products .....	83	85.6	85.5	85.5	85.5	85.5
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products .....	77	80.2	77.4	77.4	77.4	77.4
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	64.6	65.2	65.4	65.3	64.9

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Year	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
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101	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
102	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
103	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
104	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
105	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
106	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
107	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
108	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
109	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
110	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00