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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 76.2 for the week ending September 18 to 76.6 for the week ending September 25. Good export demand drove prices sharply upward at Winnipeg for the greater part of the week but on Friday a slight reaction set in due largely to the effect upon Sterling of the change in the French monetary policy.

Vegetable Products rose from 77.0 to 78.8. Grains exerted the greatest influence in this group and Manitoba No.1 Northern wheat showed a gain of 4 7/8 cents per bushel for the week. Flour and milled products moved up in sympathy but reductions occurred in raw sugar, potatoes and vegetable oils. Animal Products fell from 72.6 to 72.3. Although fish, hides, eggs and milk products made moderate advances, their influence was not sufficient to counteract declines in livestock, fresh meats, cured meats and lard. On the livestock markets, what there were of the better class cattle moved readily and an increase in sales for export was reported, but a preponderance of common grades depressed prices and the livestock index dropped 2.4 points for the week. Continued easiness in raw cotton was reflected in the Textile index which moved from 69.7 to 69.6 while Non-Ferrous Metals dipped from 70.5 to 70.3 when a slight increase in tin failed to offset declines in lead and zinc. Wood, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals were unchanged at 68.8, 88.2, 85.4 and 78.5 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products increased from 73.4 to 74.8. Field Products rose from 73.8 to 76.3 influenced greatly by grains while Animal Products dropped from 72.7 to 72.2 when a decrease in livestock proved of greater weight than advances in hides and eggs.

	: No. of :	: 1935 :		: 1936 :			
		: Price :	: Sept. :	: Aug. :	: Sept. :	: Sept. :	: Sept. :
	: Series :	: 27 :	: 28 :	: 4 :	: 11 :	: 18 :	: 25 :
Total Index 567 Commodities .....	567	72.7	75.6	75.5	75.5	x76.2	76.6
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS							
I. Vegetable Products .....	135	68.1	75.5	74.8	75.0	x77.0	78.8
(grains, fruits, etc.)							
II. Animals and Their Products .....	76	72.2	72.6	73.0	72.8	72.6	72.3
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85	68.6	69.8	69.8	70.0	x69.7	69.6
IV. Wood, Wood Products & Paper .....	49	65.0	68.6	68.6	68.6	x68.8	68.8
V. Iron and Its Products .....	44	87.1	87.9	87.9	87.9	88.2	88.2
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18	72.6	69.4	69.6	70.1	x70.5	70.3
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83	85.2	85.2	85.3	85.3	85.4	85.4
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products .....	77	76.9	78.6	78.6	78.5	78.5	78.5
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	65.4	71.2	70.4	71.6	73.4	74.8

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