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## WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1936-1937. (1926-100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices, on the base 1925=100, fell from 86.7 for the week ending July 30 to 86.0 for the week ending August 6. This compared with 76.3 for a year ago and was 1.9 p.c. below this year!s high of July 16, and 6. p.c. above the low of January 8.

Vegetable Products dropped from 92.0 to 88.7. Raw rubber staged a slight rally after a straight decline of seven weeks, but grains, milled products, vegetable oils, potatoes and hay moved down. Grains were substantially weaker, falling from 97.7 to 91.9, and Manitoba No.1 Northern wheat finished 10 1/8 cents a bushel under the previous week's close. Animal Products rose from 79.2 to 80.0. Livestock markets were active with firmer prices ruling and exports of cattle to the United States reached a higher total than in any other week this year. Hides, meats and milk products strengthened also, while reductions in the lower grades of eggs depressed the index for this commodity .4 points. Base metals attracted more attention and with rising prices for copper, lead, tin and zinc forced the index for Non-Ferrous Metals from 85.6 to 87.2. Chemicals advanced from 81.6 to 81.7 on firmness in tanning materials, while Textiles. Wood, Iron and Non-Metallic Minerals remained unchanged at 74.1, 78.0, 105.6 and 87.0 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products decreased from 89.8 to 84.8. Field Products receded from 92.6 to 84.2 as lower prices were reported for grains, potatoes, hay and straw while Animal Products mounted from 85.0 to 85.7 when advances in livestock and hides proved of greater weight than a reduction in eggs.

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Total Index 567 Commodities INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFLED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS		76.3	87.7	87.6	86.7	86.0
I. Vegetable Products	135	78.5	96.4	95.1	92.0	88.7
II. Animals and Their Products III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile	76	72.0	78.3	78.6	79.2	80.0
Products IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper V. Lucalend The Products VI. Non-Perfour Matale & There. Products VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their	85 49 44 13	70.1 68.3 87.8 68.9	74.0 77.6 104.8 85.7	74.5 78.1 105.6 85.7	74.1 78.0 105.6 85.6	74.1 78.0 105.6 87.2
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	83 77	85.4 78.4	86.8 81.6	87.0 81.6	87.0 81.6	87.0 81.7
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	74.5	94.0	92.7	89.8	84.8

