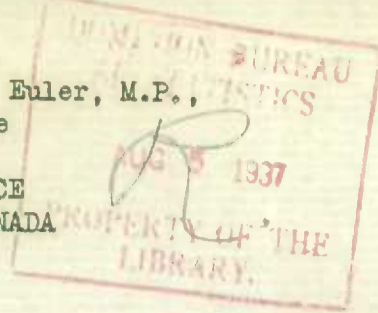


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1936-1937
(1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices, on the base 1926=100, decreased from 87.6 for the week ending July 23 to 86.7 for the week ending July 30. Price changes were mixed and were confined almost entirely to Vegetable Products, Animal Products, Textiles, Wood and Non-Ferrous Metals.

Vegetable Products fell from 95.1 to 92.0. Quotations for wheat and oats were sharply lower to drop the grain index 5.1 points to 97.7. Raw rubber continued downward for the sixth consecutive week and milled products and potatoes were easier also. In the Animal section, fresh meat was the outstanding exception to a general rise in prices which carried the index forward from 78.6 to 79.2. Livestock markets were active with good export demand and firm prices. Hides, cured meats and butter showed strength while a rise of 5.4 points in the egg index reflected a continued shortage in supply. Declines in raw cotton and raw silk moved the Textile index from 74.5 to 74.1 while the index for Wood receded from 78.1 to 78.0 as a weakening in British Columbia fir exerted a greater influence than a rise in cedar. Non-Ferrous Metals eased from 85.7 to 85.6 when reductions in lead and tin proved of more importance than increases in copper and zinc. Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals were unchanged at 105.6, 87.0 and 81.6 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products decreased from 92.7 to 89.8. Reductions in grain and potatoes were largely responsible for lowering the index for Field Products from 98.1 to 92.6, while Animal Products rose from 83.7 to 85.0 on strength in livestock, hides and eggs.

	No. of	1936		1937		
	Price	July	July	July	July	July
	Series	31	9	16	23	30
Total Index 567 Commodities	567	75.4	87.0	87.7	87.6	86.7
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Products	135	75.6	94.1	96.4	95.1	92.0
(grains, fruits, etc.)						
II. Animals and Their Products.....	76	71.3	78.4	78.3	78.6	79.2
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	70.1	73.8	74.0	74.5	74.1
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	68.3	77.7	77.6	78.1	78.0
V. Iron and Its Products	44	87.8	104.6	104.8	105.6	105.6
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	68.9	85.9	85.7	85.7	85.6
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	85.4	86.8	86.8	87.0	87.0
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	78.4	81.5	81.6	81.6	81.6
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	71.1	93.1	94.0	92.7	89.8



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Industry	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963
Manufacturing	1,200	1,150	1,100	1,050	1,000
Construction	300	280	260	240	220
Service	1,500	1,450	1,400	1,350	1,300
Total	3,000	2,880	2,760	2,640	2,520