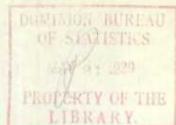
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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1938-1939 (1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics' index of Industrial Material Prices rose from 65.1 for the week ending May 19 to 65.6 for the week ending May 26. This was the highest point reached since last July and was 1.6 above the current year's low of 64.0 touched in the second week of January. The Stable group was unchanged at 87.6, but the Sensitive group, comprising Manufacturing and Food Materials, advanced from 53.4 to 54.1. Higher quotations for raw cotton, raw silk and the more important non-ferrous metals raised the index for Manufacturing Materials from 51.5 to 52.0, while the Food Materials group moved from 58.6 to 60.1, because of advances in wheat, raw sugar, steers and hogs.

The General Wholesale Commodity index, on the other hand, declined from 73.6 to 73.5. Reductions in Vegetable Products and Wood outweighed increases in Animal Products, Textiles and Non-Ferrous Metals. Among the more important commodities to move lower were flour, potatoes, eggs and pulp, while livestock, meats, raw wool and copper were buoyant.

Canadian Farm Products were easier, also, dipping from 65.2 to 65.1. Field Products dropped from 56.0 to 55.7, due to reductions in grains, potatoes and hay, but Animal Products rose from 80.6 to 80.7.as higher quotations for livestock, hides, and wool proved of more importance than a decline in eggs.

	No.of	1938 :		1939		
	Price Series	May 27	May 5	May 12	May	May 26
NDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	. 30	64.9	65.0	65.5	65.1	65.6
Stable	. 12	90.6	87.8	87.8	87.6	87.6
Sensitive	. 18	52.0	53.2	53.8	53.4	54.1
Manufacturing		45.6	51.2	51.6	51.5	52.0
Food		73.3	58.6	59.9	58.6	60.1
ENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	. 567	80.3	73.7	73.7	73.6	73.5
. Vegetable Products	. 135	79.0	63.4	63.6	63.4	62.7
I. Animals and Their Products II. Fibres, Textiles and Textile		78.1	71.5	71.3	71.0	71.4
Products	. 85	67.5	65.9	65.9	66.3	86.4
V. Wood, Wood Products and Paper		77.1	76.6	76.6	76.8	76.7
Iron and Its Products I. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their		101.5	97.5	97.5	97.3	97.3
Products	. 18	66.7	69.4	69.3	69.0	69.4
Products	. 83	87.1	84.9	84.9	84.7	84.7
TII. Chemicals and Allied Products		80.4	77.9	77.9	77.8	77.8
ANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	. 70	77.3	65.2	65.4	65.2	65.1



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