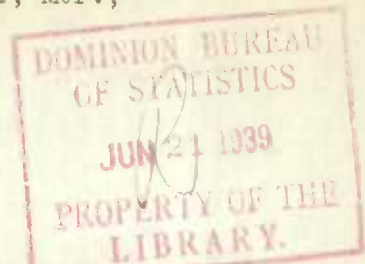


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1938-1939
(1926=100)

The index for Industrial Materials eased from 65.2 for the week of June 9 to 65.1 for the week ended June 16. The Stable group held steady at 87.6 but the Sensitive series dropped 1 point to 53.4. The food section remained unchanged at 57.6, losses for steers and wheat being counterbalanced by gains for hogs. However, the manufacturing section declined from 52.0 to 51.9 owing chiefly to reductions in raw silk prices.

The General Wholesale Commodity index also moved lower, declining from 73.3 to 73.1 for the period under review. Reductions in wheat and potatoes were chiefly instrumental in changing the vegetable products index from 61.7 to 61.4. Animal products also eased from 71.7 to 71.2. A sharp seasonal drop occurred in sheep skins and all livestock except hogs moved downward along with fresh meats and eggs. Fibres fell from 66.5 to 66.4 due largely to easier quotations for raw silk and silk hosiery. A \$1.50 rise in the price of spruce deals 3"x6" advanced wood products from 76.7 to 76.8 while a drop of 10¢ per cwt. in electrolytic copper changed the non-ferrous index from 69.4 to 69.2. Iron and steel and non-metallics remained unchanged at 97.3 and 84.7 respectively, while chemicals ruled slightly easier at 77.7. The Canadian Farm Products index dropped from 64.4 to 62.9 because of considerable recessions in the price of hides and lesser losses for livestock, milk and eggs.

	No. of Price Series	1938		1939		
		June	May	June	June	June
		17	26	2	9	16
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	65.0	65.6	65.2	65.2	65.1
Stable	12	90.0	87.6	87.6	87.6	87.6
Sensitive	18	52.3	54.1	53.6	53.5	53.4
Manufacturing	13	46.0	52.0	51.8	52.0	51.9
Food	5	73.8	60.1	58.6	57.6	57.6
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	80.2	73.5	73.5	73.3	73.1
Chief Component Groups						
I. Vegetable Products	135	79.4	62.7	62.4	61.7	61.4
II. Animals and Their Products	76	77.4	71.4	71.6	71.7	71.2
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	67.1	66.4	66.4	66.5	66.4
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	76.7	76.7	76.7	76.7	76.8
V. Iron and Its Products	44	101.4	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	67.1	69.4	69.4	69.4	69.2
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	87.1	84.7	84.7	84.7	84.7
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	80.1	77.8	77.8	77.8	77.7
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	76.9	65.1	64.7	64.4	62.9

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