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

Weakness in Food Material prices was again responsible for reducing the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' index of Industrial Material Prices, which fell from 65.0 for the week ending July 21 to 64.8 for the week ending July 28. Changes in the Stable group were too small to affect the index which remained at 88.3, but the Sensitive group declined from 53.0 to 52.7, as strength in Manufacturing Materials was more than offset by depreciation in Food Materials. The index for Manufacturing Materials rose from 52.8 to 53.0, largely due to increases in raw cotton, raw silk, lead, zinc and copper, while that for Food Materials receded from 53.5 to 51.9 as grains, raw sugar and hogs sold lower.

The General Wholesale Commodity index fell from 72.5 to 72.1. Reductions predominated in the Vegetable and Animal groups, but Textiles, Non-Ferrous Metals and Non-Metallic Minerals moved higher. Declines were noted in grains, raw rubber, potatoes and meats, while hides, raw cotton, copper and fuel oil were buoyant.

Canadian Farm Products dipped to 62.2, for a loss of 0.4 during the week. Field Products dropped from 54.9 to 53.8, owing to recessions in grains and potatoes, whereas Animal Products rose from 75.6 to 76.2, because of strength in eggs and hides.

	: No. of : : Price : : Series :	: 1938 :		: 1939 :		
		July 29	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	66.2	65.3	65.1	65.0	64.8
Stable	12	88.5	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3
Sensitive	18	54.7	53.5	53.2	53.0	52.7
Manufacturing	13	50.3	52.4	52.6	52.8	53.0
Food	5	68.6	56.6	54.6	53.5	51.9
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	78.0	73.2	72.8	72.5	72.1
Chief Component Groups						
I. Vegetable Products	135	72.8	61.4	60.3	59.6	58.3
II. Animals and Their Products	76	78.1	71.8	71.4	71.3	71.0
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	67.2	66.4	66.5	66.1	66.2
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	76.3	77.1	77.1	77.0	77.0
V. Iron and Its Products	44	97.8	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	70.8	68.8	68.5	68.4	68.7
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	86.7	84.6	84.6	84.4	84.7
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	79.3	77.6	77.6	77.6	77.6
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	69.8	63.5	63.1	62.6	62.2

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	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
	(\$ mil)	(\$ mil)	(\$ mil)	(\$ mil)	(\$ mil)	(\$ mil)
Exports	100	100	100	100	100	100
Imports	100	100	100	100	100	100
Total	200	200	200	200	200	200