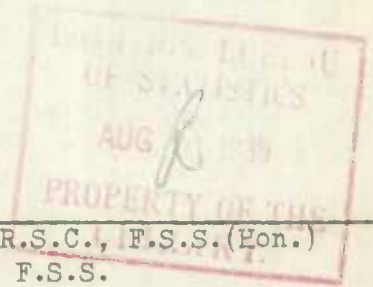


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1938-1939
(1926=100)

Industrial Material prices were more buoyant in the week ending August 4 than at any time in the past month, and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics index advanced from 64.8 for the week ending July 28 to 64.9. The Stable group was unchanged at 88.3, but the Sensitive index rose from 52.7 to 52.8, as continued enhancement in Manufacturing Material values was supported by increases in Food Material prices. The index for the former group stepped up from 53.0 to 53.1 in the sixth week of advance, while that of the latter group moved from 51.9 to 52.1, following a six weeks' period of sharply falling prices. Lead, copper and grains moved higher, while raw silk, raw sugar and livestock were included among those commodities to decline.

The General Wholesale Commodity index rose from 72.1 to 72.3. Vegetable Products and Non-Ferrous Metals showed strength, but reductions were more numerous in Animal Products. Price movements in the remaining five groups were not sufficient to change the indexes.

Canadian Farm Products remained at 62.2. Field Products mounted from 53.8 to 54.0, as increases in grains, potatoes and hay outweighed a reduction in onions, but Animal Products fell from 76.2 to 75.9, when a decrease in livestock proved of more importance than advances in hides and eggs.

	: No. of	: 1938 :		: 1939		
		: Price	: Aug.	: July	: July	: July
	: Series	: 5	: 14	: 21	: 28	: 4
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	65.4	65.1	65.0	64.8	64.9
Stable	12	88.5	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3
Sensitive	18	53.6	53.2	53.0	52.7	52.8
Manufacturing	13	49.9	52.6	52.8	53.0	53.1
Food	5	64.7	54.6	53.5	51.9	52.1
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	77.2	72.8	72.5	72.1	72.3
Chief Component Groups						
I. Vegetable Products	135	70.5	60.3	59.6	58.3	58.9
II. Animals and Their Products	76	77.6	71.4	71.3	71.0	70.4
III. Fibres, Textiles and						
Textile Products	85	67.1	66.5	66.1	66.2	66.2
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	76.6	77.1	77.0	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	70.7	68.5	68.4	68.7	69.8
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and						
Their Products	83	86.6	84.6	84.4	84.7	84.7
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	79.4	77.6	77.6	77.6	77.6
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	66.7	63.1	62.6	62.2	62.2



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Year	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
1000	1.20	1.25	1.30	1.35	1.40	1.45
1001	1.45	1.50	1.55	1.60	1.65	1.70
1002	1.70	1.75	1.80	1.85	1.90	1.95
1003	1.95	2.00	2.05	2.10	2.15	2.20
1004	2.20	2.25	2.30	2.35	2.40	2.45
1005	2.45	2.50	2.55	2.60	2.65	2.70
1006	2.70	2.75	2.80	2.85	2.90	2.95
1007	2.95	3.00	3.05	3.10	3.15	3.20
1008	3.20	3.25	3.30	3.35	3.40	3.45
1009	3.45	3.50	3.55	3.60	3.65	3.70
1010	3.70	3.75	3.80	3.85	3.90	3.95
1011	3.95	4.00	4.05	4.10	4.15	4.20
1012	4.20	4.25	4.30	4.35	4.40	4.45
1013	4.45	4.50	4.55	4.60	4.65	4.70
1014	4.70	4.75	4.80	4.85	4.90	4.95
1015	4.95	5.00	5.05	5.10	5.15	5.20
1016	5.20	5.25	5.30	5.35	5.40	5.45
1017	5.45	5.50	5.55	5.60	5.65	5.70
1018	5.70	5.75	5.80	5.85	5.90	5.95
1019	5.95	6.00	6.05	6.10	6.15	6.20
1020	6.20	6.25	6.30	6.35	6.40	6.45