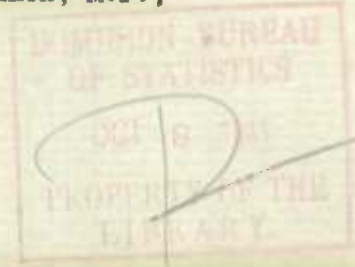


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1940-1941

The upward movement in wholesale commodity prices continued in the week ending October 3, and the Bureau's index of 567 commodities advanced to 93.3, from 92.8 for the week ending September 26 (1926=100). Vegetable Products, Animal Products, Wood, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals displayed strength, whereas Textiles, Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals were unchanged. Some of the more important commodities to move higher were grains, flour, potatoes, fish, gasoline and shellac, while declines were noted in meats, butter and lard.

Industrial Material Prices rose from 141.0 to 141.4 (August 1939=100). Stable Materials remained at 124.7, but the Sensitive price series increased from 153.0 to 153.7, as both Manufacturing and Food Materials moved higher. The former rose from 153.0 to 153.2, influenced mainly by firmer quotations for rosin, while Food Materials mounted from 152.8 to 155.0, because of strength in grains, steers and hogs.

Canadian Farm Products advanced from 72.9 to 74.3. Higher prices for grains, potatoes, onions and hay boosted the index for Field Products from 57.2 to 59.0. Animal Products increased from 99.2 to 99.8, largely because of a rise in eggs.

Percentage Changes in Principal Commodities Between the Weeks of  
September 26th and October 3rd.

Increases: eggs 5.9, oats 3.6, potatoes 3.6, wheat 3.5, petroleum and its products 3.2, fish 2.4, flour and milled products 1.6.

Decreases: cured meats 0.5, lard 0.5, fresh meats 0.4, milk products 0.4

	: No. of	: 1940 :		: 1941 :			
		: Price	: Oct.	: Sept.	: Oct.	: Oct.	: Sept.
	: Series	: 4	: 26	: 3	: 4	: 26	: 3
			(1926=100)		(August 1939=100)		
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES .....	30	78.0	+91.4	91.7	120.8	+141.0	141.4
Stable .....	12	104.2	110.6	110.6	117.9	124.7	124.7
Sensitive .....	18	64.8	+80.5	80.9	122.7	+153.0	153.7
Manufacturing .....	13	63.5	+80.6	80.7	120.1	+153.0	153.2
Food .....	5	68.4	80.3	81.5	129.9	152.8	155.0
	: No. of	: 1940 :		: 1941 :			
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			(1926=100)				
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES...	567	83.0	92.4	92.7	92.8	93.3	
Chief Component Groups							
I. Vegetable Products .....	135	69.5	78.8	78.9	79.0	80.2	
II. Animals and Their Products ....	76	78.8	97.6	97.7	98.1	98.4	
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products .....	85	84.0	94.9	96.4	96.2	96.2	
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper..	49	91.7	97.7	98.2	98.2	98.3	
V. Iron and Its Products .....	44	106.0	+111.6	+111.6	+111.6	111.6	
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products .....	18	77.7	78.2	78.2	78.2	78.2	
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products .....	83	90.8	97.8	98.1	98.1	98.9	
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products..	77	90.4	100.8	100.8	101.9	102.0	
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS .....	70	64.3	73.8	73.1	72.9	74.3	

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