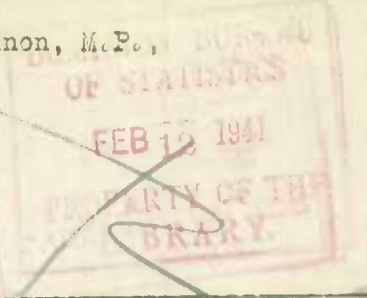


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1940-1941

The Bureau's index of Wholesale Commodity Prices, on the base 1926=100, rose 0.2 points to 85.0 in the week ending February 7. Changes were confined largely to Vegetable Products and Animal Products, both of which moved upward, while the remaining six major groups remained unchanged. Some of the more important commodities to show strength were grains, flour, raw rubber, furs, cheese and raw silk, whereas potatoes, steers, butter and eggs declined.

The index of Industrial Material Prices, on the base August 1939=100, advanced from 123.9 to 124.0. The Stable price group continued at 118.6, but the Sensitive price series, including Manufacturing and Food Materials, increased from 127.7 to 127.8. Manufacturing Materials remained at 125.5, when higher quotations for raw rubber and raw silk were offset by reductions in resin and raw cotton, but Food Materials mounted from 133.3 to 133.6, as firmer prices for wheat. and hogs outweighed a decrease in oats.

Canadian Farm Products were firm, moving from 67.4 to 67.5. Field Products advanced from 53.8 to 54.0, as increases in grains and hay outweighed a reduction in potatoes, while Animal Products remained at 90.2, as a rise in hides was counteracted by declines in livestock and eggs.

Percentage Changes in Principal Commodities Between the Weeks
of January 31 and February 7.

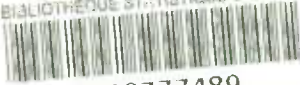
Increases: furs 12.3, green coffee beans 2.3, hides 1.7, flour and milled products 1.6, wheat 1.1, cheese 0.9.

Decreases: potatoes 4.2, eggs 1.5, oats 0.8, steers 0.4, butter 0.2.

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		9	31	7	9	31	7		
		(1926=100)				(August 1939=100)			
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	79.4	80.0	80.1	123.0	123.9	124.0		
Stable	12	98.7	104.8	104.8	111.6	118.6	118.6		
Sensitive	18	69.3	67.5	67.5	131.3	127.7	127.8		
Manufacturing	13	68.6	66.4	66.4	129.7	125.5	125.5		
Food	5	71.2	70.2	70.3	135.2	133.3	133.6		

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GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	82.3	84.6	84.8	84.8	84.8	85.0		
Chief Component Groups									
I. Vegetable Products	135	73.1	71.7	72.1	72.2	72.5			
II. Animals and Their Products	76	79.8	83.4	84.1	83.8	84.2			
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	81.8	84.5	84.5	84.6	84.6			
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	86.5	91.7	91.9	91.9	91.9			
V. Iron and Its Products	44	103.0	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.3			
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	75.3	77.7	77.7	77.7	77.7			
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	87.1	91.0	91.0	91.0	91.0			
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	85.7	92.2	91.7	91.4	91.4			
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	69.5	67.4	67.6	67.4	67.5			

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