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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1940-1941

There was a further stiffening in wholesale commodity prices during the week ending February 21, and the Bureau's index, on the base 1926=100, rose from 85.0 for the week ending February 14 to 85.1. This was 2.1 points, or approximately 2.5 p.c., above the week of February 23, 1940, when the index stood at 83.0. Advances predominated in Wood, Iron, Non-Ferrous Metals, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals, but a slightly easier tendency was apparent in Vegetable Products. Included among the commodities to sell higher were raw rubber, livestock, milk, cotton fabrics, furniture, steel rails and clay products, while potatoes, fresh meats, butter, cheese, eggs and cloth declined.

A more rapid advance was shown by Industrial Material Prices, which rose from 124.0 to 124.9 (August 1939=100). The Stable price series remained at 118.5, but the Sensitive price group advanced from 127.9 to 129.4, as both Manufacturing and Food Materials showed strength. The former mounted from 125.7 to 127.5, influenced by higher quotations for raw rubber, rosin, raw silk, Manila hemp and tin ingots, while Food Materials advanced from 133.5 to 134.2, as a reduction in steers failed to offset increases in oats and hogs.

Canadian Farm Products rose from 67.7 to 68.2. Field Products were unchanged at 54.5, when weakness in potatoes counteracted advances in grains, onions and hay. Animal Products moved from 89.7 to 91.0, as higher prices for livestock, hides and milk outweighed a decline in eggs.

Percentage Changes in Principal Commodities Between the Weeks of February 14 and 21.

Increases: green cocoa beans 9.3, shellac 8.8, pottery 8.3, tin ingots 4.6, milk 2.4, hides 1.4, oats 1.2, hogs 0.8.

Decreases: potatoes 4.0, cloth 1.4, cheese 1.2, butter 1.2, eggs 1.1, fresh meats 0.3, raw cotton 0.3.

	: No. of :	: 1940 :		: 1941 :		: 1940 :		: 1941 :		
		: Price :	Feb. :	Feb. :	Feb. :	Feb. :	Feb. :	Feb. :		
	: Series:	23	14	21	23	14	21	23	14	21
			(1926=100)		(August 1939=100)					
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	79.3	80.4	81.0	122.8	124.0	124.9			
Stable	12	98.5	105.1	105.1	111.5	118.5	118.5			
Sensitive	18	69.2	67.3	68.1	131.0	127.9	129.4			
Manufacturing	13	68.4	66.2	67.1	129.4	125.7	127.5			
Food	5	71.2	70.2	70.6	135.3	133.5	134.2			
	: No. of :	: 1940 :		: 1941 :		: 1940 :		: 1941 :		
	: Price :	Feb. :	Jan. :	Feb. :	Feb. :	Feb. :	Feb. :			
	: Series:	23	31	7	14	21				
			(1926=100)							
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	83.0	84.8	85.0	85.0	85.0	85.1			
Chief Component Groups										
I. Vegetable Products	135	74.5	72.1	72.4	72.5	72.4				
II. Animals and Their Products	76	80.1	83.7	84.1	84.0	84.0				
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	82.7	84.6	84.6	84.5	84.5				
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper ...	49	86.6	91.9	92.2	92.2	92.4				
V. Iron and Its Products	44	102.6	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.7				
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	76.4	77.7	77.7	77.7	77.8				
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	87.2	91.0	91.0	91.0	91.2				
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products ...	77	87.1	91.4	91.4	91.4	91.9				
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	71.2	67.3	67.5	67.7	68.2				



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