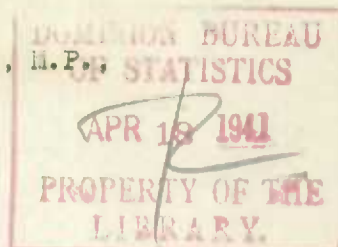


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1940-1941

Changes in wholesale commodity prices were relatively few during the week ending April 11, and the Bureau's index, on the base 1926=100, remained at 86.5. Fractional gains were recorded by Animal Products and Non-Ferrous Metals, but Textiles receded slightly, and the remaining groups were unchanged. Higher quotations ruled for wheat, raw rubber, green coffee beans, livestock, milk, eggs and cheese, while oats, butter, raw cotton and raw silk declined.

Industrial Materials continued buoyant, and this index, on the base August 1939=100, rose from 127.7 to 128.3. The Stable price series was unchanged at 119.6, but the Sensitive price group mounted from 133.4 to 134.4, as increases occurred both in Manufacturing and Food Materials. The former advanced from 131.9 to 133.1, when a decrease in raw silk failed to offset higher prices for rosin and beef hides, while Food Materials moved from 137.4 to 137.8, as advances in wheat, steers and hogs outweighed a decline in oats.

Canadian Farm Products showed moderate strength, rising from 69.2 to 69.5. Field Products slipped from 56.1 to 56.0, largely because of a reaction in grains, but Animal Products advanced from 91.2 to 92.2, as livestock, hides, and eggs moved higher.

Percentage Changes in Principal Commodities Between
the Weeks of April 4 and 11.

Increases: green coffee beans 3.2, cheese 3.1, hides 2.6, eggs 1.1, steers 1.1, milk 1.0, hogs 0.8, raw rubber 0.3, wheat 0.2.

Decreases: butter 1.9, raw silk 1.6, oats 1.4, raw cotton 0.4.

	:No. of :	1940		1941		1941	
		:Price :		:Price :		:Price :	
		April	April	April	April	April	April
	:Series:	12	4	11	12	4	11
		(1926=100)		(August 1939=100)			
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	78.9	82.8	83.2	122.1	127.7	128.3
Stable	12	98.9	106.1	106.1	111.9	119.6	119.6
Sensitive	18	68.4	70.2	70.7	129.5	133.4	134.4
Manufacturing	13	67.5	69.5	70.1	127.6	131.9	133.1
Food	5	70.7	72.3	72.5	134.4	137.4	137.8
	:No. of :	1940		1941			
	:Price :	April	March	March	April	April	
	:Series:	12	21	28	4	11	
		(1926=100)		(1926=100)			
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	83.2	86.0	86.0	86.5	86.5	
Chief Component Groups							
I. Vegetable Products	135	75.9	73.9	74.0	75.7	75.7	
II. Animals and Their Products..	76	77.9	85.6	85.2	85.1	85.2	
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	83.8	85.2	85.3	85.5	85.4	
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper.....	49	87.2	92.6	92.4	92.4	92.4	
V. Iron and Its Products	44	102.4	107.3	107.5	107.5	107.5	
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	87.3	91.5	91.5	91.5	91.5	
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	85.5	93.4	93.3	93.4	93.4	
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	72.0	69.4	69.1	69.2	69.5	

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