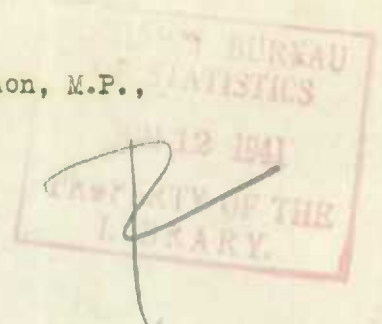


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1940-1941

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index of wholesale commodity prices, on the base 1926=100, rose from 88.7 for the week ending May 30 to 89.0 for the week ending June 6. There were advances in Vegetable Products, Animal Products, Textiles and Iron, but the Chemical group declined slightly. Included among the commodities to move higher were grains, potatoes, livestock, meats, butter and raw silk, while lower quotations ruled for raw rubber, fish, green coffee beans and eggs.

The index of industrial material prices, on the base August 1939=100, advanced from 133.6 to 134.5. The Stable group remained at 125.3, but the Sensitive price series, comprising Manufacturing and Food Materials, rose from 139.4 to 141.0. Manufacturing Materials mounted from 139.2 to 140.9, when decreases in rosin and raw rubber failed to offset higher quotations for raw cotton, raw silk and cottonseed oil. Food Materials increased from 139.7 to 140.9, because of strength in wheat, oats and hogs.

Canadian Farm Products continued to move higher, advancing from 69.9 to 70.1. Due largely to firmer quotations for grains and potatoes, Field Products rose from 55.4 to 55.7, while Animal Products moved from 94.3 to 94.4, as an increase in livestock outweighed a reduction in eggs.

Percentage Changes in Principal Commodities Between
the Weeks of May 30 and June 6.

Increases: cottonseed oil 8.0, cured meats 4.6, potatoes 3.3, hogs 2.6,
fresh meats 1.8, green cocoa beans 1.5, butter 1.5, oats 1.1,
raw cotton 0.7, wheat 0.6.

Decreases: raw rubber 2.1, green coffee beans 0.5, fish 0.4, eggs 0.3.

	No. of	1940	1941	1940	1941		
	Price	June	May	June	June		
	Series	7	30	6	7		
		(1926=100)		(August 1939=100)			
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	77.5	86.6	87.2	120.1	133.6	134.5
Stable	12	99.5	111.1	111.1	112.5	125.3	125.3
Sensitive	18	66.3	73.4	74.2	125.5	139.4	141.0
Manufacturing	13	65.6	73.3	74.2	124.1	139.2	140.9
Food	5	67.9	73.5	74.1	128.9	139.7	140.9
	No. of	1940		1941			
	Price	June	May	May	May	June	
	Series	7	16	23	30	6	
		(1926=100)					
GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES	567	81.9	88.0	88.5	88.7	89.0	
Chief Component Groups							
I. Vegetable Products	135	71.8	76.4	76.4	76.3	76.5	
II. Animals and Their Products	76	76.4	85.0	85.8	86.7	87.7	
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	83.2	87.9	88.3	88.8	89.0	
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	87.8	94.8	95.4	95.4	95.4	
V. Iron and Its Products	44	102.3	110.2	110.7	111.1	111.4	
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	76.7	78.1	78.1	78.1	78.1	
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	88.8	94.5	95.9	96.0	96.0	
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	85.5	98.3	99.7	100.0	99.2	
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	65.7	69.7	69.7	69.9	70.1	

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