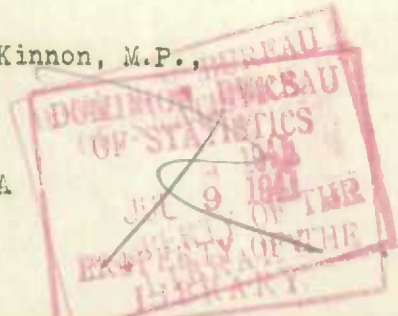


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1940-1941.

Following an uninterrupted rise of nine weeks, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics index of wholesale commodity prices, on the base 1926=100, declined from 90.4 for the week ending June 27 to 90.3 for the week ending July 4. Reductions were confined largely to Vegetable Products and Textiles, while advances were predominant in Animal Products, Non-Ferrous Metals, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals. Some of the commodities to show weakness were wheat, flour and milled products, potatoes, fresh meats, raw cotton, raw silk and raw wool, whereas raw rubber, oats, furs, livestock, butter, eggs and lard moved higher.

Industrial Material Prices, on the base August 1939=100, declined from 136.6 to 136.5. The Stable price group was unchanged at 124.5, but the Sensitive price series, including Manufacturing and Food Materials, receded from 145.3 to 145.1. This was due to weakness in Food Materials, which fell from 147.5 to 146.6, when declines in wheat and steers outweighed an increase in hogs. Manufacturing Materials remained at 144.4 as advances in raw rubber, linseed oil and resin were offset by reductions in raw cotton and raw silk.

In Canadian Farm Products, most of the gain of the previous week was lost as the index dropped from 72.1 to 71.3. Field Products declined from 58.7 to 57.1, when a rise in hay proved of less importance than declines in grains, potatoes and onions. Animal Products rose from 94.5 to 95.0, influenced mainly by increases in livestock, poultry and eggs.

Percentage Changes in Principal Commodities Between
the Weeks of June 27 to July 4.

Increases: lard 13.5, furs 5.0, eggs 3.5, butter 2.6, hogs 2.1, raw rubber 0.9, oats 0.7.

Decreases: potatoes 7.9, wheat 4.0, raw silk 3.0, flour and milled products 2.2, raw cotton 1.5, raw wool 1.2, fresh meats 0.9.

	:No. of :	: 1940 :		: 1941 :		: 1940 :		: 1941 :	
		: Price :	July	June	July	July	June	July	
: Series:	:	5	27	4	5	27	4		
		(1926=100)				(August 1939=100)			
INDUSTRIAL MATERIAL PRICES	30	77.8	88.6	88.5	120.5	136.6	136.5		
Stable	12	100.7	110.5	110.5	113.9	124.5	124.5		
Sensitive	18	66.1	76.5	76.3	125.2	145.3	145.1		
Manufacturing	13	65.4	76.0	76.0	123.7	144.4	144.4		
Food	5	67.9	77.6	77.1	129.0	147.5	146.6		

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GENERAL WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES ..	567	82.2	89.3	89.8	90.4	90.3			
Chief Component Groups									
I. Vegetable Products	135	72.2	77.1	77.3	78.9	78.1			
II. Animals and Their Products	76	77.0	88.5	89.6	90.0	91.0			
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	83.3	89.3	90.5	91.1	91.0			
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper .	49	88.4	95.4	96.1	96.1	96.1			
V. Iron and Its Products	44	102.6	111.4	111.5	111.8	111.8			
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	76.3	78.1	78.1	78.1	78.2			
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	88.7	96.0	96.0	96.0	96.1			
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products ..	77	85.8	99.2	99.5	99.5	99.7			
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	65.8	71.0	71.1	72.1	71.3			

