

5.—Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices by Groups of Commodities from Month to Month, 1917.
(Average Prices, 1890-1899=100.)

| Groups. | Jan. | Feb. | March. | April. | May. | June. | July. | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Year. |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. Grains and fodder..... | 238.1 | 243.8 | 254.1 | 276.2 | 304.0 | 293.2 | 296.3 | 296.2 | 283.6 | 281.1 | 305.0 | 312.5 | 281.5 |
| 2. Animals and meats..... | 249.2 | 263.6 | 268.7 | 282.7 | 307.7 | 298.4 | 293.4 | 289.4 | 294.7 | 299.9 | 304.0 | 312.0 | 288.1 |
| 3. Dairy products..... | 242.6 | 240.4 | 223.0 | 215.1 | 221.8 | 207.0 | 210.3 | 226.5 | 231.1 | 245.0 | 246.4 | 254.7 | 230.5 |
| 4. Fish..... | 183.8 | 188.7 | 195.1 | 213.5 | 198.4 | 195.8 | 201.5 | 201.5 | 214.3 | 233.0 | 233.5 | 239.1 | 205.8 |
| 5. Other foods:— | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) Fruits and vegetables.. | 234.9 | 267.9 | 288.3 | 294.6 | 322.2 | 346.0 | 308.2 | 255.5 | 229.1 | 204.0 | 263.0 | 263.2 | 233.8 |
| (b) Miscellaneous..... | 177.7 | 178.9 | 180.0 | 193.2 | 224.1 | 221.3 | 215.9 | 221.9 | 217.7 | 217.8 | 221.0 | 223.1 | 207.9 |
| 6. Textiles..... | 215.7 | 223.2 | 232.0 | 238.1 | 247.0 | 260.8 | 268.5 | 274.7 | 277.0 | 290.8 | 304.2 | 322.9 | 263.4 |
| 7. Hides, leathers, boots and shoes | 285.9 | 274.6 | 264.1 | 264.1 | 283.6 | 285.8 | 277.4 | 279.7 | 278.5 | 267.3 | 267.3 | 272.9 | 275.1 |
| 8. Metals and implements:— | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) Metals..... | 210.6 | 235.0 | 240.7 | 250.5 | 264.2 | 272.4 | 274.4 | 278.2 | 278.1 | 269.6 | 262.6 | 263.7 | 259.1 |
| (b) Implements..... | 161.4 | 166.0 | 166.0 | 166.0 | 168.4 | 188.0 | 194.5 | 199.5 | 198.6 | 198.6 | 197.8 | 197.8 | 181.6 |
| 9. Fuel and lighting..... | 180.9 | 177.1 | 190.1 | 169.3 | 178.7 | 192.0 | 229.7 | 218.2 | 224.9 | 181.4 | 186.1 | 186.9 | 193.0 |
| 10. Building materials:— | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) Lumber..... | 189.6 | 193.3 | 197.5 | 204.8 | 208.4 | 210.3 | 222.3 | 225.5 | 225.5 | 226.7 | 231.8 | 236.0 | 214.5 |
| (b) Miscellaneous..... | 178.4 | 184.5 | 191.1 | 191.2 | 202.2 | 209.3 | 215.3 | 217.3 | 215.6 | 213.3 | 210.4 | 209.6 | 203.5 |
| (c) Paints, oils and glass.. | 227.5 | 237.3 | 246.8 | 255.2 | 260.9 | 258.7 | 261.7 | 267.2 | 267.7 | 267.6 | 264.6 | 268.9 | 257.9 |
| 11. House furnishings..... | 179.5 | 180.8 | 188.0 | 188.8 | 196.1 | 205.5 | 212.8 | 212.8 | 213.8 | 217.6 | 218.1 | 222.0 | 203.7 |
| 12. Drugs and chemicals..... | 258.5 | 261.4 | 269.6 | 272.8 | 274.9 | 259.6 | 263.1 | 261.3 | 270.8 | 267.2 | 275.7 | 279.5 | 267.9 |
| 13. Miscellaneous:— | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) Raw furs..... | 399.5 | 403.7 | 412.4 | 412.4 | 396.7 | 396.7 | 396.7 | 388.4 | 388.4 | 424.7 | 437.0 | 465.3 | 411.6 |
| (b) Liquors and tobaccos.. | 161.3 | 156.4 | 156.4 | 159.0 | 162.3 | 164.1 | 164.1 | 163.9 | 169.9 | 200.1 | 198.7 | 203.7 | 167.8 |
| (c) Sundries..... | 165.8 | 170.3 | 167.5 | 172.1 | 183.6 | 195.4 | 194.5 | 197.6 | 197.5 | 199.0 | 197.7 | 190.8 | 186.8 |
| All commodities..... | 212.7 | 219.9 | 224.9 | 231.1 | 243.8 | 246.8 | 248.7 | 247.3 | 246.1 | 244.7 | 252.3 | 257.1 | 237.0 |