

7.—Weekly Cost of a Family Budget of Staple Foods, Fuel and Lighting, and Rent in terms of the average prices of the cities in each province of Canada, 1910-1914, December, 1914-17.

STAPLE FOODS.

Province.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	Dec. 1914.	Dec. 1915.	Dec. 1916.	Dec. 1917.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island.....	5.82	5.80	6.11	6.34	6.69	6.89	6.95	8.29	12.36
Nova Scotia.....	6.82	6.78	7.17	7.29	7.48	7.80	8.24	9.98	10.81
New Brunswick.....	6.55	6.84	7.13	7.04	7.44	7.76	8.11	9.87	12.24
Quebec.....	6.33	6.46	6.97	6.87	7.16	7.31	7.76	9.74	11.83
Ontario.....	6.50	6.66	7.25	7.20	7.48	7.74	8.11	10.27	12.39
Manitoba.....	7.46	7.41	7.88	7.87	8.15	8.27	8.43	9.98	11.67
Saskatchewan.....	7.86	8.08	8.16	8.25	8.33	8.81	8.32	10.34	12.05
Alberta.....	7.99	8.08	8.15	8.33	8.27	8.47	8.36	10.35	12.25
British Columbia.....	8.32	8.79	9.03	9.13	7.61	9.80	8.65	10.66	12.67

FUEL AND LIGHTING.¹

Prince Edward Island.....	1.28	1.28	1.49	1.47	1.50	1.49	1.55	1.91	2.23
Nova Scotia.....	1.43	1.37	1.45	1.53	1.57	1.55	1.55	1.96	2.93
New Brunswick.....	1.63	1.60	1.60	1.68	1.76	1.78	1.79	2.06	2.50
Quebec.....	1.65	1.69	1.70	1.79	1.80	1.79	1.75	2.06	2.84
Ontario.....	1.68	1.72	1.74	1.81	1.80	1.78	1.78	2.09	2.60
Manitoba.....	2.33	2.33	2.37	2.34	2.36	2.33	2.23	2.52	2.84
Saskatchewan.....	2.67	2.73	2.58	2.65	2.60	2.56	2.39	2.59	2.81
Alberta.....	1.56	1.78	1.86	1.65	1.71	1.73	1.71	1.71	1.81
British Columbia.....	2.19	2.18	2.22	2.25	2.57	2.37	2.18	2.18	2.17

RENT.

Prince Edward Island.....	2.00	2.00	1.92	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	2.25	3.94
Nova Scotia.....	4.02	3.40	3.70	3.92	4.26	4.15	4.15	4.15	2.25
New Brunswick.....	2.85	2.87	2.90	3.08	3.37	3.45	3.45	3.50	3.88
Quebec.....	2.85	2.98	3.38	3.52	3.62	3.50	3.55	3.78	3.83
Ontario.....	3.48	3.62	3.92	4.10	4.22	4.04	3.78	3.96	4.59
Manitoba.....	6.20	6.12	6.90	7.38	6.68	5.81	4.87	4.75	5.50
Saskatchewan.....	8.18	8.75	9.15	9.58	7.68	6.09	5.15	5.31	5.42
Alberta.....	5.68	6.42	6.60	7.58	7.43	6.13	5.22	5.13	5.69
British Columbia.....	5.35	5.92	6.12	7.12	5.31	4.73	4.02	3.93	4.43

¹Coal, wood and coal oil. No allowance is made for the varying extent to which these are used in the different localities and provinces.

XII.—FINANCE.

Under the general heading of Finance in Section XII are grouped statistics relating to the public accounts of the Dominion Government, including revenue and expenditure, public debt, assets and liabilities and inland revenue. Tables have been added showing the receipts and expenditure of each of the nine provincial governments of Canada,