

Grains are a sub-group of the main group Vegetables and Their Products. Individual commodity and sub-group weights are as follows:—

Commodity.	Weight for Individual Commodity or Prices Series.	Sub-group Weight.
Barley, No. 3, C.W. x 40%.....	Average price x 45,000,000 bushels...	\$325,000,000 or 35-38 p.c.
Barley, No. 4, C.W. x 30%.....		
Barley, Feed x 30%.....		
Barley, good malting.....	Average price x 3,000,000 bushels...	
Corn, Am. Yellow, No. 2.....	Average price x 12,000,000 bushels...	
Corn, Am. Yellow, No. 3.....		
Flax, No. 1, N.W.C. x 70%.....	Average price x 6,000,000 bushels...	
Flax, No. 2, N.W.C. x 15%.....		
Flax, No. 3, N.W.C. x 15%.....		
Oats, No. 2 C.W. x 20%.....	Average price x 50,000,000 bushels...	
Oats, No. 3 C.W. x 25%.....		
Oats, No. 1 Feed (Western) x 30%.....		
Oats, No. 2 Feed (Western) x 25%.....		
Oats, Ontario.....	Average price x 10,000,000 bushels...	
Peas, No. 2 White, Ontario.....	Average price x 2,000,000 bushels...	
Rye, No. 2 C.W. x 70%.....	Average price x 7,000,000 bushels...	
Rye, No. 3 C.W. x 10%.....		
Rye, Rejected, x 20%.....		
Rye, No. 2 Ontario.....	Average price x 2,000,000 bushels...	
Wheat, No. 1 Man. Northern, x 35%.....	Average price x 350,000,000 bushels...	
Wheat, No. 2 Man. Northern, x 25%.....		
Wheat, No. 3 Man. Northern, x 40%.....		
Wheat, No. 2 Ontario.....	Average price x 20,000,000 bushels...	

The index number for the above sub-group is weighted by the aggregate value of all grains marketed less the values of grain shown elsewhere in the form of other commodities such as flour, rolled oats, linseed oil, etc. For this sub-group the weight is \$325,000,000 or 35-38 p.c. of the total value of the whole Vegetable Products group.

Quantities and values used for weights are, in the main, for the year 1926, but where weights for that year are not deemed to be representative, conditions in other years are considered. Sometimes an average of several representative years is taken. There is no attempt made to adhere rigidly to one hard and fast rule of weighing. In many cases, modifications are made with the object of adopting the weights likely to obtain the most satisfactory results. Final group weights are as follows:—

Vegetables and Their Products.....	30
Animals and Their Products.....	16
Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products.....	9
Wood, Wood Products and Paper.....	15
Iron and Its Products.....	12
Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products.....	6
Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products.....	9
Chemicals and Allied Products.....	3
Total.....	100

Classification of Commodities.—These new index numbers have been issued in the same three classifications as the old index, *viz.*, Component Materials, Purpose and Origin.

NUMBER OF PRICE SERIES INCLUDED IN THE NEW AND OLD INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES.

	New.	Old.
Vegetables and Their Products.....	124	67
Animals and Their Products.....	74	50
Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products.....	60	28
Wood, Wood Products and Paper.....	44	21
Iron and Its Products.....	39	26
Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products.....	15	15
Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products.....	73	16
Chemicals and Allied Products.....	73	13
Totals.....	502	236