

Index Numbers of Agricultural Prices.—Index numbers of prices of field crops, based on the five-year pre-war average (1935-39) prices, are shown for the years 1909-10 to 1940-41 in Table 36. For comparative purposes, index numbers on the 1913-14 base are also shown for the crop years 1939-40 and 1940-41. The series relates to average prices received by farmers during the crop-marketing season Aug. 1 to July 31 of the following year.

In addition to the price indexes shown here, index numbers of the yields of the various crops have also been calculated. The combined data on prices and production have also been used to calculate a series of weighted index numbers of the values of the individual crops, and of all field crops. Index numbers of prices, yields and values in detail by provinces will be found in the "Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics", January, 1941.

In previous issues of the Year Book, index numbers have been published on the 1926-27 base. Since the average of the five-year period 1935 to 1939 has been adopted as a base for index numbers of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, index numbers of prices, yields and values are given on the new base, and the 1926-27 crop year as a base has been discontinued.

36.—Index Numbers of Farm Prices¹ of Field Crops, for Canada, Crop Years Ended July 31, 1910-41

NOTE.—For the formulæ used in the calculation and for index numbers by Provinces, see "Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics", January, 1941. Indexes for the years 1931-32 to 1939-40 based on average prices, 1926-27, are given at p. 230 of the 1940 Year Book.

Field Crop	Average Price 1935-39 ¹	Index Numbers (1935-36 to 1939-40=100)										
		1909-10	1910-11	1911-12	1912-13	1913-14	1914-15	1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19	1919-20
	\$											
Wheat.....	0.68	125.0	116.2	94.1	91.2	98.5	144.1	133.8	192.6	285.3	297.1	348.5
Oats.....	0.31	112.9	112.9	116.1	103.2	103.2	154.8	116.1	164.5	222.6	251.6	258.1
Barley.....	0.40	115.0	127.5	140.0	112.5	105.0	150.0	130.0	205.0	270.0	250.0	307.5
Rye.....	0.42	173.8	159.5	181.0	171.4	157.1	197.6	183.3	264.3	385.7	354.8	333.3
Peas.....	1.52	58.6	57.9	67.1	82.9	73.0	96.1	108.6	146.1	232.9	196.7	188.2
Beans.....	1.55	91.6	99.4	124.5	140.6	121.3	149.0	196.8	348.4	480.6	349.0	289.0
Buckwheat.....	0.63	92.1	90.5	101.6	98.4	101.6	114.3	119.0	169.8	231.7	250.8	238.1
Mixed grains.....	0.44	127.3	109.1	138.6	131.8	125.0	150.0	129.5	200.0	263.6	259.1	309.1
Flaxseed.....	1.33	94.0	157.1	112.8	67.7	72.9	77.4	113.5	153.4	199.2	235.3	310.5
Corn for husking.....	0.55	120.0	72.7	116.4	112.7	116.4	129.1	129.1	194.5	334.5	318.2	243.6
Potatoes.....	0.92	66.3	89.1	107.6	79.3	89.1	89.1	108.7	146.7	183.7	177.2	171.7
Turnips, etc.....	0.34	100.0	64.7	138.2	141.2	164.7	158.8	141.2	229.4	270.6	250.0	288.2
Hay and clover.....	7.75	143.7	111.7	150.1	143.1	148.1	183.6	185.4	149.7	133.3	209.7	267.4
Grain hay.....	5.26	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	551.3
Alfalfa.....	8.37	2	121.7	137.9	143.4	141.6	169.3	151.5	127.7	138.5	213.1	261.1
Fodder corn.....	3.10	175.2	104.5	157.1	159.0	154.2	158.4	158.4	158.7	165.8	198.4	223.2
Sugar beets.....	6.31	92.1	92.4	104.4	79.2	97.0	94.9	87.2	98.3	107.0	162.4	172.1
All Field Crops.....	-	116.6	110.3	116.3	108.0	111.8	149.0	137.3	173.4	227.2	251.0	295.9

¹ For footnotes, see end of table, p. 181.