

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 1933-34 to 1941-42 in Table 39. For comparative purposes, index numbers on the 1913-14 base are also shown for the crop years 1940-41 and 1941-42. 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 "Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics", January-March, 1942.

39.—Index Numbers of Farm Prices¹ of Field Crops, for Canada, Crop Years Ended July 31, 1934-42

NOTE.—For the formulæ used in the calculation and for index numbers by Provinces, see "Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics", January-March, 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. Indexes on the present base, for the years 1909-10 to 1932-33, are given at pp. 180-181 of the 1941 Year Book.

Field Crop	Average Price 1935-39 ¹	Index Numbers (1935-36 to 1939-40=100)									Average Price 1913-14 ¹	Index Numbers (1913-14=100)	
		1933-34	1934-35	1935-36	1936-37	1937-38	1938-39	1939-40	1940-41	1941-42 ²		1940-41	1941-42 ²
	\$										\$		
Wheat.....	0.68	72.1	89.7	89.7	138.2	150.0	86.8	79.4	76.5	76.5	0.67	77.6	77.6
Oats.....	0.31	83.9	103.2	77.4	138.7	138.7	77.4	96.8	90.3	122.6	0.32	87.5	118.8
Barley.....	0.40	75.0	117.5	72.5	172.5	127.5	70.0	85.0	80.0	105.0	0.42	76.2	100.0
Rye.....	0.42	90.5	116.7	64.3	166.7	171.4	69.0	100.0	78.6	102.4	0.66	50.0	65.2
Peas.....	1.52	65.8	69.1	71.7	106.6	110.5	102.0	118.4	128.9	139.5	1.11	176.6	191.0
Beans.....	1.55	63.9	85.8	94.2	131.6	79.4	71.6	132.9	118.7	118.1	1.88	97.9	97.3
Buckwheat.....	0.63	79.4	84.1	81.0	112.7	114.3	92.1	95.2	90.5	104.8	0.64	89.1	103.1
Mixed grains.....	0.44	90.9	93.2	81.8	127.3	115.9	88.6	97.7	88.6	118.2	0.55	70.9	94.5
Flaxseed.....	1.33	90.2	86.5	89.5	108.3	111.3	85.0	106.0	80.5	94.0	0.97	110.3	128.9
Corn for husking.....	0.55	107.3	118.2	81.8	127.3	116.4	85.5	100.0	100.0	129.1	0.64	85.9	110.9
Potatoes.....	0.92	83.7	54.3	87.0	123.9	68.5	100.0	122.8	91.3	110.9	0.82	102.4	124.4
Turnips, etc.....	0.34	100.0	91.2	94.1	102.9	94.1	97.0	111.8	94.1	129.4	0.56	57.1	78.6
Hay and clover.....	7.75	113.2	151.6	98.3	98.8	97.2	97.8	108.4	111.5	154.1	11.48	75.3	104.0
Grain hay.....	5.26	125.1	135.4	99.6	121.9	118.4	83.1	83.1	81.2	101.3	³	³	³
Alfalfa.....	8.37	110.5	151.4	96.1	109.8	96.3	94.1	103.9	98.6	123.3	11.85	69.6	87.1
Fodder corn.....	3.10	105.8	132.9	107.1	109.0	99.4	90.6	97.7	94.8	118.1	4.78	61.5	76.6
Sugar beets.....	6.31	95.7	89.4	86.2	91.0	94.9	104.4	119.5	106.5	92.2	6.12	109.8	95.1
All Field Crops..	-	86.8	106.6	88.0	129.0	125.6	87.4	94.2	89.0	108.9	-	122.2	117.0

¹ Prices quoted are per bushel, except for potatoes and turnips, etc., which are per cwt., and the last five items, which are per ton. ² Subject to revision. ³ Not available.

Subsection 8.—Agricultural Statistics of the Census

A summary of the more important agricultural statistics compiled from the Census of 1931 is published at pp. 295-301 of the 1934-35 edition of the Year Book. The review includes statistics of: tenure of farms; farm values; mortgage indebtedness; farm expenditures; farm population; farm workers; and cost of labour, farm machinery and facilities. In the 1937 edition of the Year Book, further statistics are presented at pp. 270-273 that show, for the Prairie Provinces, comparative figures of population, farm holdings, areas and values, the condition of farm land, the numbers