

8.—Weighted Index Numbers of Prices of Mining Stocks, by Months, 1944-46

(1935-39=100)

Year and Month	Gold	Base Metal	Total	Year and Month	Gold	Base Metal	Total
1944				1945—concluded			
January.....	72.2	89.4	78.5	July.....	88.0	101.1	93.1
February.....	71.3	88.6	77.5	August.....	89.7	99.4	93.7
March.....	70.1	86.5	76.0	September.....	91.2	98.6	94.5
April.....	70.4	92.0	78.0	October.....	96.2	101.1	98.8
May.....	69.2	93.0	77.5	November.....	102.3	108.8	105.5
June.....	74.1	97.1	82.2	December.....	104.0	113.8	108.2
July.....	80.0	100.2	87.3	1946			
August.....	78.4	97.3	85.3	January.....	107.2	127.5	114.9
September.....	77.3	98.7	84.9	February.....	111.6	124.8	116.9
October.....	75.6	99.8	84.1	March.....	101.3	119.9	108.4
November.....	75.9	95.9	83.1	April.....	99.8	127.9	110.0
December.....	74.4	91.6	80.6	May.....	94.2	130.4	107.0
1945				June.....	92.0	125.7	104.0
January.....	80.5	93.9	85.6	July.....	81.7	114.9	95.4
February.....	87.3	98.2	91.7	August.....	77.6	112.1	89.7
March.....	84.7	97.9	89.8	September.....	71.1	101.0	81.6
April.....	85.3	98.6	90.5	October.....	70.1	98.9	80.3
May.....	90.6	99.1	94.3	November.....	73.1	101.9	83.3
June.....	92.2	102.7	96.5	December.....	70.9	107.6	83.7

Section 4.—Index Numbers of Bond Yields

The exceptional requirements of the war years of 1914-18 turned the Dominion authorities to the domestic market, a field that had hitherto served mainly the needs of the provinces and municipalities. Historical records of long-term bond yields in the domestic market prior to 1914 are obtainable, therefore, from provincial and municipal sources only. A record of Ontario issues from 1900 to date is available* and was utilized for the first long-term bond yield index constructed by the Bureau of Statistics. The relatively long period for which the record has been preserved makes this series of considerable value.

Since the War of 1914-18, however, the growing importance of Dominion financing in the domestic market has made it advisable to supplement the Ontario series with the Dominion index of long-term bond yields shown in Table 9. This series (1935-39=100) has been computed from January, 1937, on the basis of yields computed from a 15-year, 3 p.c. theoretical issue. Quotations for the theoretical yields are computed by the Bank of Canada.

* This index of Ontario long-term bond yields may be found in the Bureau's monthly bulletin "Prices and Price Indexes" obtainable from the Dominion Statistician, Ottawa.

9.—Index Numbers of Dominion of Canada Long-Term Bond Yields, by Months, 1939-46

(1935-39=100)

Month	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946
January.....	97.3	109.3	100.6	99.4	98.8	97.3	96.7	90.0
February.....	97.2	107.2	100.8	99.3	98.5	97.3	96.6	85.9
March.....	95.4	107.9	100.5	99.6	97.6	97.3	96.3	83.8
April.....	96.3	105.5	100.6	99.6	97.3	97.3	95.0	84.3
May.....	97.8	104.5	101.1	99.5	97.3	97.2	96.0	85.1
June.....	95.7	107.8	101.9	98.8	97.3	97.0	95.6	84.9
July.....	96.0	107.0	101.5	98.7	97.3	97.0	94.6	85.1
August.....	98.6	104.3	101.2	99.0	97.3	97.0	94.4	85.0
September.....	117.0	103.1	100.3	99.4	97.3	97.0	94.6	84.9
October.....	111.9	102.6	100.2	99.6	97.3	97.0	94.4	85.0
November.....	108.4	101.9	99.1	99.6	97.3	97.0	93.9	85.0
December.....	110.5	101.0	99.3	99.4	97.3	96.9	92.2	85.0