

4.—Index Numbers of Living Costs in Eight Cities, Alternate Months, 1945-49

(August, 1939=100)

NOTE.—Figures on this base for years 1940-44 will be found in corresponding tables in previous Year Books beginning with the 1942 edition.

Year and Month	Halifax	Saint John	Montreal	Toronto	Winnipeg	Saskatoon	Edmonton	Vancouver
1945								
February.....	118.8	118.6	120.9	116.7	116.0	119.4	116.6	118.4
April.....	118.7	118.8	121.0	116.9	116.2	119.6	116.8	118.6
June.....	119.1	119.4	121.9	118.3	117.2	119.9	117.3	120.0
August.....	121.1	120.9	123.6	118.6	118.0	121.2	118.4	120.4
October.....	119.4	119.5	122.2	117.9	116.8	120.3	117.9	119.0
December.....	119.6	119.7	122.6	118.3	117.0	120.7	118.4	119.7
1946								
February.....	119.3	119.7	122.2	118.2	117.1	120.6	117.8	119.2
April.....	120.3	120.6	123.1	119.3	118.4	121.7	119.1	120.4
June.....	122.4	122.5	125.8	121.9	120.9	125.3	121.2	123.7
August.....	125.0	124.6	128.3	123.5	122.1	126.1	123.2	124.7
October.....	125.0	124.9	129.5	124.9	122.7	127.2	123.9	125.9
December.....	125.1	125.1	129.1	125.0	123.2	128.2	124.8	126.6
1947								
February.....	125.6	125.9	129.6	126.0	124.0	129.0	124.9	127.7
April.....	127.9	128.5	132.7	128.8	126.1	131.7	127.5	130.1
June.....	131.0	132.1	137.7	133.3	129.7	136.2	131.3	134.3
August.....	135.1	134.9	138.9	135.0	132.0	138.6	134.0	135.6
October.....	138.9	139.5	145.5	140.0	137.4	144.0	137.7	141.3
December.....	141.8	143.9	148.6	144.0	140.8	147.5	139.9	146.0
1948								
February.....	144.3	147.7	152.8	147.8	144.4	151.9	145.1	148.7
April.....	146.2	149.3	154.9	148.6	146.3	153.7	146.5	151.0
June.....	149.1	152.3	158.4	151.6	148.6	157.2	149.0	154.3
August.....	151.7	156.0	160.6	154.3	150.6	159.5	153.5	159.5
October.....	152.2	156.4	163.1	155.4	152.8	161.8	153.9	161.3
December.....	150.8	155.5	161.5	154.5	152.2	161.6	153.6	160.8
1949								
February.....	152.1	156.2	162.4	154.7	153.8	162.0	154.4	160.8
April.....	152.3	155.9	161.9	154.8	153.8	161.8	154.3	160.5
June.....	153.4	157.2	164.6	156.1	155.4	162.5	155.8	162.0
August.....	157.2	159.7	166.1	158.5	157.9	163.8	158.3	164.2
October.....	155.0	159.0	165.4	157.9	156.2	162.4	156.8	162.8
December.....	153.6	158.0	164.1	157.4	155.7	162.7	156.4	161.9

World Cost-of-Living Indexes.—In order to place changes in Canadian retail prices in perspective with those which have occurred in other countries, Table 5 gives cost-of-living indexes for selected countries and dates. It will be noted immediately that increases in the cost-of-living have been a world wide phenomenon and that the Canadian increase has been moderate compared to that which has occurred in many other countries. The indexes shown in Table 5 measure price change only and should not be used to compare living costs from country to country.