

5.—Urban Average and Relative Retail Prices of Staple Foods, 1942-51, and by Months, January 1951-October 1952—concluded

| Year and Month | Flour, per lb. | | Tomatoes, canned, 2½'s, tin | | Potatoes, 10 lbs. | | Sugar, granulated, per lb. | | Bread, per lb. | |
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| | Average Price | Relative Price | Average Price | Relative Price | Average Price | Relative Price | Average Price | Relative Price | Average Price | Relative Price |
| | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. | cts. |
| 1942..... | 4.1 | 58.4 | 12.8 | 64.0 | 29.2 | 83.9 | 8.0 | 87.2 | 6.6 | 66.7 |
| 1943..... | 4.1 | 58.4 | 13.1 | 65.2 | 32.1 | 92.2 | 8.1 | 87.5 | 6.6 | 66.7 |
| 1944..... | 4.1 | 58.4 | 13.5 | 67.3 | 30.2 | 86.8 | 8.1 | 87.5 | 6.6 | 66.7 |
| 1945..... | 4.0 | 57.0 | 13.5 | 67.1 | 34.9 | 100.3 | 8.1 | 87.5 | 6.6 | 66.7 |
| 1946..... | 4.0 | 56.8 | 14.2 | 70.7 | 34.3 | 98.4 | 8.1 | 87.5 | 6.6 | 66.7 |
| 1947..... | 4.5 | 64.7 | 18.5 | 92.1 | 33.8 | 97.1 | 8.8 | 95.2 | 7.1 | 72.4 |
| 1948..... | 6.1 | 88.0 | 24.4 | 121.7 | 40.4 | 116.1 | 9.1 | 98.6 | 9.1 | 92.2 |
| 1949..... | 7.0 | 100.0 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 34.8 | 100.0 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 9.9 | 100.0 |
| 1950..... | 7.3 | 104.8 | 17.7 | 88.0 | 33.2 | 95.4 | 10.6 | 114.4 | 10.3 | 104.6 |
| 1951..... | 7.5 | 106.9 | 23.1 | 115.0 | 34.8 | 99.9 | 12.0 | 129.8 | 11.4 | 115.5 |
| 1951 | | | | | | | | | | |
| January..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 19.6 | 97.9 | 27.0 | 77.4 | 11.6 | 125.6 | 10.8 | 109.4 |
| February..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 20.1 | 100.3 | 28.1 | 80.6 | 11.6 | 125.6 | 11.0 | 111.4 |
| March..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 20.7 | 103.2 | 29.3 | 84.0 | 11.6 | 125.6 | 11.3 | 114.5 |
| April..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 21.2 | 105.7 | 29.0 | 83.1 | 11.6 | 125.6 | 11.3 | 114.5 |
| May..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 21.8 | 108.6 | 28.8 | 82.6 | 11.6 | 125.6 | 11.3 | 114.5 |
| June..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 22.8 | 113.8 | 29.7 | 85.2 | 11.8 | 127.7 | 11.3 | 114.5 |
| July..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 23.7 | 118.2 | 39.3 | 112.9 | 12.3 | 133.0 | 11.3 | 114.5 |
| August..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 24.1 | 120.1 | 38.3 | 110.0 | 12.4 | 134.1 | 11.5 | 116.6 |
| September..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 24.5 | 122.0 | 34.5 | 98.9 | 12.4 | 134.1 | 11.5 | 116.6 |
| October..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 24.7 | 123.0 | 35.1 | 100.8 | 12.4 | 134.1 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| November..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 26.2 | 130.8 | 43.3 | 124.3 | 12.3 | 133.0 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| December..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 27.4 | 136.5 | 55.3 | 158.8 | 12.3 | 133.0 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| 1952 | | | | | | | | | | |
| January..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 28.2 | 140.4 | 60.4 | 173.5 | 12.3 | 133.0 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| February..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 28.9 | 144.2 | 62.4 | 179.2 | 12.2 | 132.0 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| March..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 29.3 | 146.2 | 62.6 | 179.7 | 12.0 | 129.8 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| April..... | 7.5 | 107.6 | 29.7 | 148.1 | 72.3 | 207.5 | 11.7 | 126.7 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| May..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 29.8 | 148.6 | 78.2 | 224.6 | 11.3 | 122.5 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| June..... | 7.4 | 106.2 | 30.1 | 150.0 | 90.8 | 260.6 | 11.0 | 119.3 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| July..... | 7.3 | 104.7 | 30.2 | 150.5 | 88.8 | 254.9 | 10.9 | 118.2 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| August..... | 7.3 | 104.7 | 30.2 | 150.5 | 76.5 | 219.6 | 10.8 | 117.0 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| September..... | 7.3 | 104.7 | 29.1 | 145.0 | 66.4 | 190.6 | 10.6 | 114.9 | 11.8 | 119.7 |
| October..... | 7.3 | 104.7 | 27.2 | 135.6 | 54.8 | 157.3 | 10.4 | 112.7 | 11.7 | 118.7 |

Regional Changes in Living Costs.—Cost-of-Living Indexes for nine regional cities are shown in Table 6. The index for St. John's, Nfld., was prepared subsequent to the date Newfoundland joined Confederation, and is calculated on the base June 1951=100, whereas indexes for the other cities are on the base August 1939=100. The city indexes are patterned after the Cost-of-Living Index and will not be compiled on the same basis as the Consumer Price Index until some time in 1953.

The city indexes are not designed to show whether it costs more or less to live in one city than in another and should not be used for that purpose. Their function is to show the extent of price change within each city.