

1.—Annual Index Numbers of Wholesale Price Groups 1948-57 and Monthly Indexes 1956 and 1957

(1935-39=100)

Year and Month	General Wholesale	Raw and Partly Manufactured Goods	Fully and Chiefly Manufactured Goods	Industrial Materials	Canadian Farm Products <sup>1</sup>		
					Field	Animal	Total
1948	193.4	196.3	192.4	222.7	200.6	263.7	232.1
1949	198.3	197.1	199.2	218.0	191.9	265.4	228.7
1950	211.2	212.8	211.0	244.6	191.9	281.4	236.7
1951	240.2	237.9	242.4	296.1	200.4	336.9	268.6
1952	226.0	218.7	230.7	252.6	223.0	277.5	250.2
1953	220.7	207.0	228.8	232.3	179.4	263.8	221.6
1954	217.0	204.8	224.2	223.7	170.9	256.2	213.6
1955	218.9	209.7	224.5	236.0	180.1	245.1	212.6
1956	225.6	215.8	231.5	248.2	179.4	246.9	213.2
1957	227.4	209.4	237.9	240.3	160.5	258.0	209.2
<b>1956</b>							
January	222.0	212.9	227.4	246.1	172.1	235.0	203.5
February	222.2	213.3	227.6	247.2	173.2	232.3	202.8
March	223.3	214.7	228.4	248.8	177.8	231.1	204.4
April	224.6	216.3	229.5	248.9	182.7	231.9	207.3
May	225.4	217.3	230.3	247.8	191.5	238.0	214.7
June	226.5	219.2	231.3	248.5	196.4	251.9	224.2
July	226.6	219.0	231.6	247.4	210.6	256.5	233.5
August	227.0	217.0	233.2	249.2	177.2	258.2	217.7
September	227.4	216.2	234.4	249.5	166.3	259.6	213.0
October	227.0	214.3	234.7	247.7	166.0	256.2	211.1
November	226.6	213.3	234.6	247.7	169.0	255.9	212.5
December	228.0	216.4	235.1	249.8	170.4	256.4	213.4
<b>1957</b>							
January	229.2	217.8	236.3	251.1	172.1	257.2	214.6
February	228.2	214.9	236.5	248.4	167.4	259.0	213.2
March	228.4	212.5	237.8	247.0	166.3	253.4	209.8
April	228.5	211.7	238.4	246.2	165.8	255.1	210.4
May	228.0	209.6	238.9	242.2	163.5	255.3	209.4
June	228.1	209.8	238.9	240.6	160.6	262.2	211.4
July	228.2	209.2	239.5	239.8	161.1	270.2	215.7
August	227.6	207.9	239.2	238.6	153.8	271.3	212.6
September	227.0	206.9	238.8	236.8	153.2	263.8	208.5
October	225.0	203.6	237.4	232.5	152.8	248.6	200.7
November	224.1	203.3	236.1	228.9	153.7	245.7	199.7
December	226.1	206.0	237.2	231.8	155.4	253.7	204.6

<sup>1</sup> Wheat prices used in this index are Canadian Wheat Board buying prices for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Manitoba Northern at Fort William-Port Arthur. The initial payment is first used and the index revised as further payments are announced. Between August 1945 and July 1950 the price included for No. 1 Manitoba Northern was \$1.83 per bu. while for subsequent crop years the price per bu. was as follows: 1950-51, \$1.85; 1951-52, \$1.83; 1952-53, \$1.82; 1953-54, \$1.56; 1954-55, \$1.65; 1955-56, \$1.61, for which year the final payment was announced on May 15, 1957. For the crop year 1956-57 the index is based on an initial payment price of \$1.40. Western oats and barley were brought under control of the Canadian Wheat Board Aug. 1, 1949. Since then prices used for Canadian Farm Products have been initial payments to farmers, with participation payments included whenever they are announced.

**Index Numbers of Building Materials Prices.**—Price movements of materials entering into building construction are currently measured by two special-purpose series: price index numbers of residential building materials and price index numbers of non-residential building materials\* for which the base years are 1935-39 and 1949, respectively.

\* Exclusive of engineering structures such as power dams, roads, railroads and bridges.