

**3.—Annual Price Index Numbers of Non-residential Building Materials 1950-58, and Monthly Indexes 1957 and 1958**

(1949=100)

Year and Month	Composite Index	Principal Components						
		Steel and Metal Work	Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Materials	Aggregate, Cement and Concrete Mix	Lumber and Lumber Products	Blocks, Brick and Stone	Tile
GROUP WEIGHT AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL.....	...	20.1	21.4	11.5	11.1	10.5	9.1	3.8
1950.....	105.0	107.3	103.0	105.8	103.2	110.3	104.3	104.9
1951.....	118.6	122.0	115.7	125.4	111.3	128.3	113.0	110.6
1952.....	123.2	131.3	121.3	121.7	117.4	127.9	119.7	115.5
1953.....	124.4	134.7	119.2	119.6	120.2	127.8	125.9	117.1
1954.....	121.8	128.2	115.2	117.6	120.9	124.5	127.0	120.6
1955.....	123.4	129.9	118.0	121.3	120.3	127.6	127.0	120.3
1956.....	128.0	139.0	123.4	123.6	117.0	131.5	130.3	120.8
1957.....	130.0	147.7	124.1	118.4	119.4	128.7	134.0	118.5
1958.....	129.8	150.9	123.8	114.0	119.6	126.8	135.7	118.2
<b>1957</b>								
January.....	129.8	144.3	124.7	120.1	120.9	129.7	133.4	119.6
February.....	130.0	144.8	125.7	119.1	121.2	129.4	133.4	119.8
March.....	130.1	144.8	125.5	119.5	121.3	129.4	133.4	119.8
April.....	129.8	144.9	124.1	119.5	121.2	129.5	133.4	119.8
May.....	129.6	145.2	123.8	119.5	118.7	129.7	133.4	119.8
June.....	129.4	145.2	123.3	119.4	118.1	129.5	134.3	117.2
July.....	130.5	150.7	124.0	118.2	118.1	129.6	134.3	117.2
August.....	130.4	150.7	123.9	117.8	118.1	129.0	134.3	118.2
September.....	130.3	150.6	123.8	116.9	118.1	128.5	134.6	118.0
October.....	130.3	150.5	123.8	118.3	118.1	127.6	134.6	117.7
November.....	130.1	150.6	123.3	118.4	118.1	126.2	134.6	117.7
December.....	130.0	150.7	123.3	114.7	120.4	126.1	134.6	117.7
<b>1958</b>								
January.....	129.9	150.7	123.1	114.1	120.7	126.4	134.6	117.8
February.....	129.9	150.6	123.2	114.1	121.3	126.0	134.6	117.8
March.....	129.8	150.6	123.3	114.0	121.8	126.0	134.8	118.0
April.....	129.3	150.6	123.5	112.9	119.7	126.6	134.7	118.1
May.....	129.1	150.6	123.2	112.9	118.2	126.4	135.4	118.1
June.....	129.1	150.6	123.4	112.7	118.2	126.2	135.4	118.1
July.....	129.4	150.6	123.7	112.7	118.2	126.7	135.6	118.1
August.....	129.5	150.6	123.8	113.1	118.2	128.1	136.6	118.1
September.....	129.7	150.6	123.7	114.4	118.2	128.4	136.6	118.1
October.....	129.8	150.7	123.9	115.2	118.2	127.5	136.6	118.9
November.....	130.8	152.3	125.7	116.4	119.9	126.8	136.5	118.9
December.....	131.0	152.3	125.6	116.0	122.6	126.6	136.5	118.9

**World Wholesale Price Indexes.**—Price changes within different countries have varied widely during the years. Comparisons of Canadian wholesale price indexes and those of other countries are given in Table 4.

**4.—Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices in Canada and Other Countries, 1955-57**

(BASE: 1953=100. SOURCE: *United Nations Monthly Bulletin of Statistics*, November 1957 and 1958)

Country	1955	1956	1957	Country	1955	1956	1957
Belgium.....	101	104	106	Iran.....	115	123	123
Brazil.....	147	176	197	Israel.....	124	131	150
<b>Canada</b> .....	<b>99</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>103</b>	Korea, South.....	225	132 <sup>r</sup>	153
Chile.....	277	454	646	Netherlands.....	102	104	107
Denmark.....	103	106 <sup>r</sup>	106	New Zealand.....	100	104	105
Dominican Republic.....	95	94	103	Norway.....	104	109	113
Egypt.....	99	110	119	Sweden.....	104	108 <sup>r</sup>	110
France.....	98	102	108	Switzerland.....	101	103	105
Germany (Western).....	101	103	105	Turkey.....	119	139 <sup>r</sup>	164
Greece.....	120	129	130	United Kingdom.....	105	104 <sup>r</sup>	105
India.....	87	97	103	United States.....	101	104	107