

**18.—Declared Values, and Value, Price and Physical Volume Indexes of Foreign Trade,
by Commodity Group, 1958-61—concluded**

Commodity Group ¹	1958	1959	1960	1961
	PRICE INDEXES (1948=100)			
Domestic Exports	120.6	122.8	123.0	124.2
Agricultural and animal products	96.6	99.8	99.6	101.9
Fibres and textiles	108.0	107.8	110.5	111.9
Wood products and paper	119.3	120.2	118.5	116.0
Iron and steel and products	157.1	161.7	162.8	167.1
Non-ferrous metals and products	143.6	145.6	148.8	152.4
Non-metallic minerals and products	165.3	165.0	165.3	169.2
Chemicals and fertilizer	114.5	114.8	115.3	114.2
Miscellaneous	128.8	128.9	133.9	131.6
Imports	116.5	114.4	115.5	119.2
Agricultural and animal products	100.3	91.3	91.1	95.4
Fibres and textiles	86.6	82.3	85.0	89.0
Wood products and paper	138.7	139.7	142.2	144.8
Iron and steel and products	143.1	144.2	142.5	153.4
Non-ferrous metals and products	132.8	135.1	138.3	141.3
Non-metallic minerals and products	106.5	101.8	98.6	101.0
Chemicals and fertilizer	112.7	110.9	111.9	116.4
Miscellaneous	106.9	116.3	125.7	114.8
	VOLUME INDEXES (1948=100)			
Domestic Exports	130.4	134.2	140.2	152.1
Agricultural and animal products	126.3	116.3	109.7	134.5
Fibres and textiles	42.0	52.5	80.5	87.8
Wood products and paper	124.3	132.3	140.8	148.2
Iron and steel and products	79.1	97.9	102.6	99.2
Non-ferrous metals and products	182.6	196.2	209.0	203.3
Non-metallic minerals and products	159.6	187.9	216.5	268.1
Chemicals and fertilizer	215.5	220.1	258.2	272.3
Miscellaneous	168.5	86.0	84.5	152.6
Imports	165.6	183.9	181.3	184.9
Agricultural and animal products	177.2	199.6	201.3	205.5
Fibres and textiles	127.6	146.9	141.6	146.4
Wood products and paper	231.9	267.1	255.9	271.3
Iron and steel and products	164.5	184.7	178.3	168.1
Non-ferrous metals and products	213.2	227.4	221.0	237.8
Non-metallic minerals and products	105.3	113.7	111.0	110.2
Chemicals and fertilizer	217.4	248.6	255.7	269.8
Miscellaneous	331.3	324.5	322.6	437.5

¹ The groups, though classified by component material, differ slightly from conventional groups (see text, pp. 982-983).

PART III.—THE GOVERNMENT AND FOREIGN TRADE

Section 1.—Foreign Trade Service and Associated Agencies concerned with the Development of Foreign Trade*

Foreign trade contributes substantially to the welfare and prosperity of Canadians, largely because the productive capacity of Canada is greater than the ability of its population to consume the output of farms, factories, forests, fisheries and mines. Every effort is made, therefore, to establish and maintain close commercial relations with other countries whose markets are essential to the Canadian economy. It is appreciated, however, that two-way trade should be encouraged in order that goods and services may be accepted in partial payment for the products Canada is in a position to export. Furthermore, many commodities that are not indigenous to this country must be imported. Some

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