

As may be seen from Table 5, all groups in the component material classification have reported declines in the volume of production since 1929. The iron and steel group in 1933 led with a decrease of 61.1 p.c. This was followed by the miscellaneous industries group, with a decrease of 46.5 p.c., non-metallic mineral products 46.3 p.c., wood and paper products 30.0 p.c., non-ferrous metal products 29.2 p.c., vegetable products 25.2 p.c., chemicals and allied products 17.6 p.c., textiles and textile products 15.6 p.c. and animal products 9.5 p.c. Compared with the previous year, the animal products, wood and paper products and chemical groups in 1933 reported advances in the physical volume of production.

In analysing the changes in the volume of production, on a purpose classification basis, some interesting facts are revealed. As compared with 1929, the food group reported a decrease of 10.6 p.c., while that of clothing decreased 14.7 p.c. The output of vehicles and vessels, which is largely made up of the automobile and rubber-tire industries, recorded a decrease of 59.5 p.c.; this is the greatest decrease of any group. Producers' materials and industrial equipment declined 37.5 p.c. and 45.8 p.c. respectively, due to the general decline in industrial activity. House furnishings dropped 36.6 p.c., personal utilities 30.4 p.c., drink and tobacco 31.5 p.c., and books and stationery 7.2 p.c. The decrease in the personal utilities group needs some explanation. The production of musical instruments, which is included in this group, has been decreasing steadily during the past few years, the output of pianos, phonographs and phonograph records becoming smaller and smaller. The main product of the musical instruments industry, namely the radio, is now produced in the electrical apparatus industry. This industry, however, is credited to the industrial equipment group, as by far the largest part of its output consists of industrial equipment.

##### 5.—Indexes of the Volume of Manufacturing Production, According to Component Material and Purpose Classifications, 1924-33.

(1923=100.)

Group.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.	1933.
<b>COMPONENT MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION—</b>									
Vegetable products.....	109.2	120.8	127.7	151.1	155.3	146.6	133.0	118.1	116.1
Animal products.....	107.1	113.0	122.9	123.8	117.2	113.6	103.2	102.2	106.1
Textiles and textile products.....	96.6	103.4	117.8	135.3	133.8	124.4	121.6	116.0	112.9
Wood and paper products	98.1	106.0	119.9	142.0	152.9	141.5	117.9	104.6	107.1
Iron and its products....	80.5	95.1	121.7	138.1	157.8	126.9	96.2	65.0	61.4
Non-ferrous metals.....	108.5	122.8	137.2	176.1	190.3	179.7	171.1	137.7	134.8
Non-metallic minerals...	95.8	98.3	112.5	138.9	163.1	149.5	130.4	94.9	87.5
Chemicals and allied products.....	102.3	109.5	119.0	139.6	143.3	126.5	116.9	111.5	118.1
Miscellaneous industries.	108.0	106.0	124.8	136.5	137.3	116.6	101.0	82.5	73.5
<b>Totals, All Industries<sup>1</sup>..</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>107.5</b>	<b>122.2</b>	<b>141.9</b>	<b>150.2</b>	<b>136.2</b>	<b>118.3</b>	<b>100.1</b>	<b>100.2</b>
<b>PURPOSE CLASSIFICATION—</b>									
Food.....	107.3	114.0	118.1	122.4	121.4	123.5	113.2	109.4	108.5
Clothing.....	100.1	107.5	120.6	138.7	138.5	127.9	122.9	112.4	118.1
Drink and tobacco.....	114.6	121.8	131.6	171.6	184.9	172.2	155.7	134.0	126.6
Personal utilities.....	95.4	102.2	117.1	125.2	119.3	98.8	91.9	82.7	83.0
House furnishings.....	111.8	109.1	126.7	158.4	174.5	159.2	133.4	114.0	110.6
Books and stationery....	83.4	97.6	107.4	132.0	141.2	140.3	133.7	137.1	131.0
Vehicles and vessels.....	87.1	107.7	140.1	158.5	184.3	149.4	106.9	73.4	74.6
Producers' materials....	94.9	103.8	117.8	138.0	146.9	130.0	110.2	88.3	91.8
Industrial equipment....	99.7	108.3	131.1	157.9	169.7	150.7	127.4	99.1	92.0
Miscellaneous.....	104.8	108.4	117.6	133.4	147.1	123.4	125.4	116.9	133.3

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of central electric stations.