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### INTRODUCTION.

A bulletin dealing with wholesale prices in the United States has been published annually by the Bureau of Labor Statistics since 1902.<sup>1</sup> In each of these bulletins prices for the last completed year have been shown in considerable detail, while a summary has been included for all years back to 1890. The present report, covering the period from 1890 to 1916, is the sixteenth.

With a few exceptions, the commodities for which wholesale prices are shown in this bulletin are identical with those appearing in the report for 1915. Substitutions of more representative articles for those previously carried have been made in several instances, as raisins, putty, lubricating oil, and one brand of laundry soap. It has been necessary, also, to make substitutions in the case of cement, lime, and news-print paper, owing to the discontinuance of quotations for these articles in the trade journal sources from which they have hitherto been obtained. In the case of denims and one variety of women's wool dress goods, substitutions have been made necessary by the withdrawal of prices by manufacturers.

One price series for milk, omitted from the preceding report, has been included in the present bulletin, while four series of quotations for children's shoes and one for toilet soap have been discontinued because of failure to secure satisfactory prices for these articles during 1916. A slight revision of the figures for merino underwear, silver, and gasoline in recent years has been made in the present report in order that the prices as published may conform to information obtained since the last report was issued.

In computing the index numbers for this bulletin, the base period from which price changes are measured has been shifted to the last completed year, 1916. This change of base period permits the use of the latest and most trustworthy information as the standard for measuring price changes and also allows, whenever desirable, the addition of new articles in a satisfactory manner to those previously included in the index number.

<sup>1</sup> Previous wholesale price reports of the bureau are Bulletins Nos. 39, 45, 51, 57, 63, 69, 75, 81, 87, 93, 99, 114, 149, 181, and 200.

The method of constructing group and general index numbers from the aggregate values of commodities exchanged year by year, employed for the first time in the preparation of the bulletin for 1914, has been continued in the present report. A full explanation of this method is contained in the appendix to the 1914 report,<sup>1</sup> but a brief account is here given in order that the statistical tables appearing in the following pages may be more readily understood.

The price of each article in 1916, the base year, has first been multiplied by the estimated quantity of the article marketed in the last census year, 1909. The products thus obtained have then been added, giving the approximate value in exchange in 1916 of all articles in the group or in the total list of commodities. Similar aggregate values of commodities exchanged have likewise been computed for each year from 1890 to 1915 and for each month since January, 1913. The index number for each year prior to 1916 and for each month of the years 1913 to 1916, inclusive, has been obtained by comparing the aggregate value for such year or month with the aggregate value for 1916, taken as 100.

If, during the 27-year period under consideration, there had been no changes in the list of commodities which comprise the index numbers, the percentage changes in the cost of the different groups of commodities and of all commodities combined would be accurately measured by dividing the aggregates for 1916 directly into the corresponding aggregates for the months and years covered by the bureau's index numbers. However, in the bulletins for 1908, 1914, and 1915 a number of articles appeared for the first time, while numerous substitutions of one article for another at a different price have occurred from time to time as circumstances demanded. Therefore, in carrying the index numbers back from the base period, 1916, through a series of years, a method had to be adopted that would allow for variations in the number and kind of commodities from year to year. This method, which is identical in principle with that now being used by the bureau in its reports on retail prices and on wages, consists in computing two separate aggregates for any year or month in which an addition or a substitution occurs—the first aggregate being computed from the list of articles before making additions or substitutions, and the second aggregate from the revised list of articles. In this way comparison between any two consecutive years or months is based on aggregates made up of identical commodities only, the index number in such cases being found by following the method described in detail on page 255 of Bulletin No. 181 of the bureau.

Not all of the commodity prices shown in the present bulletin have been used in constructing the index numbers. Several articles of

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<sup>1</sup> See Bulletin No. 181, pp. 239 to 256.

minor importance have been omitted because of their negligible influence upon price movements. A few articles of some importance, such as steel sheets and bread, were omitted because satisfactory weighting figures could not be obtained. Still other articles, for example, beer, were omitted because sufficient price quotations to insure correct results could not be collected. Of the 342 series of quotations included in the detailed tables of this bulletin, however, 296 have been weighted and used in computing the index numbers.

To ascertain the quantities of the various commodities marketed in 1909, every available source, official and private, was drawn upon. In the case of articles consumed to a large extent by the producer, as corn, oats, hay, etc., only the portion actually marketed was taken. A similar plan was followed with regard to semimanufactured articles, such as cotton and worsted yarns, pig iron, and steel billets, which are used to a large extent in establishments where produced. The quantity of each article sold in the markets was ascertained as nearly as possible and used to weight the prices for the different years and months.

In the selection of commodities it has been the aim to choose only important and representative articles in each group. To this end, in addition to utilizing all available information from official sources, a careful inquiry was instituted in the principal market centers to determine which articles within the general class or group enter to the largest extent into exchange from year to year. The sources from which price quotations have been drawn are as follows: Standard trade journals, 191 series; leading manufacturers or their selling agents, 141 series; officials of boards of trade, etc., 8 series; a State bureau, 1 series; and a Federal bureau, 1 series.

As far as possible the quotations for the various commodities have been secured in their primary markets. For example, the prices quoted for live stock and most animal products are those for Chicago, wheat and flour prices are mainly for Minneapolis and Kansas City, pig iron and steel for Pittsburgh, sugar for New York City, cotton and rice for New Orleans, tobacco for Louisville, Ky., etc. The following table shows the various markets in which wholesale price quotations were obtained.

TABLE 1.—NUMBER OF COMMODITIES, OR SERIES OF QUOTATIONS, CLASSIFIED BY MARKETS, 1916.

Market.	Farm products.	Food, etc.	Cloths and clothing.	Fuel and lighting.	Metals and metal products.	Lumber and building materials.	Drugs and chemicals.	House furnishing goods.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Boston, Mass.....		5								5
Chicago, Ill.....	19	22	1		2	1		4		49
Cincinnati, Ohio.....		5		2	1				1	9
Cleveland, Ohio.....					1					1
Elgin, Ill.....		1								1
Gloucester, Mass.....		1								1
Kansas City, Mo.....	1	2								3
La Salle, Ill.....					1					1
Louisville, Ky.....	1									1
Mahoney, Pa.....					1					1
Minneapolis, Minn.....	2	3								5
New Orleans, La.....	1	5				1				7
New York, N. Y.....	3	42	2	10	20	25	10	2	12	126
Norfolk, Va.....	1			1						2
Peoria, Ill.....									1	1
Philadelphia, Pa.....		4			3				1	8
Pittsburgh, Pa.....					12					12
Portland, Oreg.....	2									2
St. Louis, Mo.....		2								2
San Francisco, Cal.....		6								6
Toledo, Ohio.....		2								2
Trenton, N. J.....								3		3
Wilmington, N. C.....						1				1
Distillery, factory, wells, etc.....		1		2	1	5		3	8	20
General market.....			69		2			2		73
Total.....	30	101	72	15	44	33	10	14	23	342

In the case of commodities of great importance more than one price series has been included in the present bulletin. In no case, however, has an article of a particular description been represented by more than one series of quotations from the same market.

For articles subject to frequent fluctuations in price, such as butter, eggs, grain, live stock, meats, cotton, etc., weekly quotations have been secured, while for articles whose prices are more stable only monthly quotations have been taken. These details, which are clearly brought out in the table appearing on pages 61 to 129 of the present bulletin, are summarized as follows:

TABLE 2.—NUMBER OF COMMODITIES, OR SERIES OF QUOTATIONS, CLASSIFIED AS TO FREQUENCY, 1916.

Frequency of quotation.	Farm products.	Food, etc.	Cloths and clothing.	Fuel and lighting.	Metals and metal products.	Lumber and building materials.	Drugs and chemicals.	House furnishing goods.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Weekly.....	23	59	1						1	84
Monthly.....	7	42	71	15	44	33	10	14	22	258
Total.....	30	101	72	15	44	33	10	14	23	342

Concerning the classification of commodities adopted in this report, which is the same as that used in previous bulletins of the

bureau, it may be said that the general plan followed with respect to raw commodities has been to group such articles according to their origin rather than according to the ultimate use to which they are put. Thus, cotton, wheat, and leaf tobacco are all classed with farm products, although in their finished state they enter into the groups designated as cloths and clothing, food, and miscellaneous, respectively. Also, certain manufactured articles, as nails and structural steel, are grouped with metals and metal products rather than with building materials. Wool, however, which is quoted in the scoured state, is included with cloths and clothing instead of farm products. Tallow, being derived from the same material as oleo oil, is included in the food group, although its principal use is in the manufacture of commodities not consumed as food. While the classification adopted may thus appear to be somewhat arbitrary, the great amount of labor involved in a rearrangement of the groups for previous years in order to make the data comparable with the present makes any revision, however desirable, impossible at this time.

### **PRICES OF COMMODITIES IN 1916 AND IN PRECEDING YEARS.**

Wholesale prices in the United States, considered in the aggregate, reached new high levels in 1916. The upward trend which began in the latter part of 1915 continued without interruption through the whole of 1916, the increase being most pronounced in the closing months of the year. The bureau's weighted index number for December stood at 118, as compared with 89 for January, an increase of nearly 33 per cent. The increase over the level of prices in December, 1914, was more than 49 per cent.

During 1916 phenomenal advances were recorded in the prices of many commodities belonging to the groups designated as farm products, food, cloths and clothing, fuel and lighting, and metals and metal products. Farm products, which include many food articles in the raw state, increased steadily in price from January to November, with a slight decline in December. The net increase in average monthly prices during the year in this group was over 30 per cent. Price changes in the food group closely paralleled those in farm products, a net increase of nearly 28 per cent being observed between the beginning and the end of the year.

Cloths and clothing prices advanced rapidly throughout the year, the greatest increase being between November and December. In the fuel and lighting group a slight decline took place in May, but prices again advanced in the following month and continued steeply upward until the close of the year. The December average for this group was 60 per cent above that for January. Metals and metal

products increased in price from January to May, but decreases occurred in the next three months. In September prices again advanced, the increase continuing through the remainder of the year and becoming most pronounced (16 per cent) between November and December.

In the remaining groups, except the one designated as miscellaneous, prices in 1916 moved within somewhat narrower limits. Lumber and building materials were lowest in January and July and highest in December. Drugs and chemicals showed steady increases during the first five months, but reached the lowest point of the year in August and September. House-furnishing goods increased materially in price in each quarter of the year. In the group of commodities classed as miscellaneous, including such important articles as cottonseed meal and oil, lubricating oil, malt, news-print and wrapping paper, rubber, plug and smoking tobacco, whisky, and wood pulp, prices as a whole climbed steadily upward throughout the year, except for a slight drop in February. The net increase for the year in this group was approximately 27 per cent.

Comparing 1916 with 1915, the group of commodities showing the greatest increase in average yearly prices was that of metals and metal products, the increase in the group as a whole being nearly 54 per cent. In the other groups the increase in average yearly prices between 1915 and 1916 was: Fuel and lighting, 33 per cent; cloths and clothing, 28 per cent; drugs and chemicals, 25 per cent; miscellaneous, 23 per cent; food, etc., 20 per cent; farm products, 16 per cent; house-furnishing goods, 9 per cent; and lumber and building materials, 8 per cent.

The following table shows for each of the nine groups the number of commodities or grades of commodities for which wholesale prices were obtained and the number which increased or decreased in price in 1916 as compared with 1915:

TABLE 3.—CHANGES IN AVERAGE PRICES FOR 1916 AS COMPARED WITH 1915, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES.

Group.	Number of commodities.	Number of commodities showing—		
		Increase.	No change.	Decrease.
Farm products.....	30	28	.....	2
Food, etc.....	101	91	1	9
Cloths and clothing.....	72	72	.....	.....
Fuel and lighting.....	15	14	1	.....
Metals and metal products.....	44	42	1	1
Lumber and building materials.....	33	29	3	1
Drugs and chemicals.....	10	10	.....	.....
House-furnishing goods.....	14	14	.....	.....
Miscellaneous.....	23	18	5	.....
Total.....	342	318	11	13

It is seen from the above table that of the 342 price series secured by the bureau for 1915 and 1916 increases were reported for 318 series, and that only 13 series showed a decrease. The articles that averaged less in price in 1916 than in the preceding year were oats, Pacific coast hops, evaporated apples, oranges, prunes, raisins, milk at San Francisco, molasses, olive oil (2 quotations), rice, spelter, and yellow-pine flooring. In nearly all instances the decrease in price between the two years was small, and in only two cases, those of evaporated apples and French olive oil, was it greater than 10 per cent.

On the other hand, decided price increases between the two years were reported for many important commodities. Thus, in the farm products group, cotton at New Orleans increased 46.7 per cent, No. 1 calfskins increased 56.8 per cent, New York State hops increased 55.7 per cent, and heavy hogs at Chicago increased 34.8 per cent. Notable increases in the food group were: Beans, 45.4 per cent; salt mackerel, 31.2 per cent; lemons, 41.9 per cent; lard, 43.3 per cent; bacon (rough sides), 29.5 per cent; salt mess pork, 46.1 per cent; cabbage, 95.1 per cent; onions, 119.7 per cent; and potatoes, 144.2 per cent. In the cloths and clothing group cotton bags increased 38.7 per cent; cotton blankets, 36.6 per cent; cotton flannels (2½ yards to the pound), 44.5 per cent; cotton yarns (10/1), 53.2 per cent; denims, 53.2 per cent; percale, 38.7 per cent; print cloths, 45.5 per cent; chrome calf leather, 57.9 per cent; Italian raw silk, 63.8 per cent; clay worsted 16-ounce suitings, 34.8 per cent; tickings, 37.4 per cent; all-wool storm serge, 36.6 per cent; and worsted yarns (2-40s), 33.9 per cent.

In the remaining groups the more conspicuous increases were for Connellsville coke, 81.8 per cent; gasoline, 66.3 per cent; crude petroleum, 62.4 per cent; bar iron at Pittsburgh, 98.5 per cent; ingot copper, 59.6 per cent; copper wire, 65 per cent; cut nails, 52.5 per cent; Bessemer pig iron, 51.4 per cent; quicksilver, 54.2 per cent; steel billets, 95.8 per cent; steel plates, 155.1 per cent; steel sheets, 57.4 per cent; structural steel, 91.2 per cent; tin plate, 56 per cent; plain wire, 64.5 per cent; plate glass (area 3 to 5 square feet), 56.2 per cent; glycerin, 71.6 per cent; muriatic acid, 52.8 per cent; quinine, 108.1 per cent; sulphuric acid, 55 per cent; cottonseed oil, 56.2 per cent; manila wrapping paper, 62.2 per cent; and wood pulp, 80 per cent. These and other price changes are shown in the table on pages 130 to 260 of this bulletin.

Index numbers of the several groups for the years from 1890 to 1916 and for each month of the last four years are given in Tables 4 and 5, which follow. To assist in the comparison afforded by these index numbers, there is also shown the per cent of increase or decrease in prices for each year or month as compared with the next preceding year or month.

TABLE 4.—INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES, 1890 TO 1916.

[For explanation of method used in computing these index numbers, see pp. 5 and 6.]

Year.	Farm products.		Food, etc.		Cloths and clothing.		Fuel and lighting.		Metals and metal products.	
	Index number. <sup>1</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>2</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>3</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>4</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>5</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.
1890.....	56	.....	70	.....	73	.....	59	.....	74	( <sup>6</sup> )
1891.....	60	+ 7	70	( <sup>6</sup> )	70	- 4	59	( <sup>6</sup> )	68	-12
1892.....	54	-10	63	-10	70	( <sup>6</sup> )	56	- 5	63	- 7
1893.....	55	+ 2	69	+10	70	( <sup>6</sup> )	56	( <sup>6</sup> )	57	-10
1894.....	48	-13	60	-13	62	-11	52	- 7	48	-16
1895.....	49	+ 2	58	- 3	61	- 2	59	+13	52	+ 8
1896.....	44	-10	53	- 9	59	- 3	59	( <sup>6</sup> )	54	+ 4
1897.....	48	+ 9	56	+ 6	60	+ 2	52	-12	48	-11
1898.....	50	+ 4	60	+ 7	62	+ 3	53	+ 2	48	( <sup>6</sup> )
1899.....	50	.....	59	- 2	65	+ 5	61	+15	73	+52
1900.....	56	+12	62	+ 5	70	+ 8	70	+15	71	- 3
1901.....	59	+ 5	63	+ 2	65	- 7	68	- 3	66	- 7
1902.....	66	+12	67	+ 6	66	+ 2	80	+18	66	( <sup>6</sup> )
1903.....	62	- 6	64	- 4	70	+ 6	92	+15	65	- 2
1904.....	66	+ 6	68	+ 6	70	( <sup>6</sup> )	79	-14	60	- 8
1905.....	63	- 5	68	( <sup>6</sup> )	72	+ 3	75	- 5	66	+10
1906.....	64	+ 2	66	- 3	77	+ 7	78	+ 4	76	+15
1907.....	70	+ 9	70	+ 6	82	+ 6	81	+ 4	-81	+ 7
1908.....	69	- 1	74	+ 6	74	-10	78	- 4	63	-22
1909.....	79	+14	78	+ 5	78	+ 5	76	- 3	62	- 2
1910.....	84	+ 6	79	+ 1	79	+ 1	72	- 5	63	+ 2
1911.....	76	-10	78	- 1	76	- 4	70	- 3	60	- 5
1912.....	82	+ 8	85	+ 9	78	+ 3	77	+10	67	+12
1913.....	82	.....	79	- 7	79	+ 1	87	+13	67	( <sup>6</sup> )
1914.....	85	+ 4	81	+ 3	78	- 1	80	- 8	59	-12
1915.....	86	+ 1	83	+ 2	78	( <sup>6</sup> )	75	- 6	65	+10
1916.....	100	+16	100	+20	100	+28	100	+33	100	+54

<sup>1</sup> Number of commodities varied from 16 in 1890 to 30 in 1916.<sup>2</sup> Number of commodities varied from 40 in 1890 to 91 in 1916.<sup>3</sup> Number of commodities varied from 56 in 1890 to 63 in 1916.<sup>4</sup> Number of commodities was 13 from 1890 to 1912, inclusive, and 15 from 1913 to 1916.<sup>5</sup> Number of commodities varied from 18 in 1890 to 25 in 1916.<sup>6</sup> No change.



TABLE 4.—INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES, 1890 TO 1916—Concluded.

Year.	Lumber and building materials.		Drugs and chemicals.		House-furnishing goods.		Miscellaneous.		All commodities.	
	Index number. <sup>1</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>2</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>3</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>4</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.	Index number. <sup>5</sup>	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year.
1890.....	71		63		109		76		66	
1891.....	69	- 3	65	+ 3	108	- 1	76	( <sup>6</sup> )	66	( <sup>6</sup> )
1892.....	66	- 4	64	- 2	106	- 2	73	- 4	61	- 8
1893.....	67	+ 2	63	- 2	106	( <sup>6</sup> )	75	+ 3	63	+ 3
1894.....	65	- 3	58	- 8	105	- 1	71	- 4	56	-11
1895.....	64	- 2	62	+ 7	99	- 6	68	- 4	57	+ 2
1896.....	62	- 3	64	+ 3	97	- 2	66	- 3	54	- 5
1897.....	61	- 2	62	- 3	90	- 7	67	+ 2	54	( <sup>6</sup> )
1898.....	64	+ 5	65	+ 5	96	+ 7	66	- 1	56	+ 4
1899.....	70	+ 9	67	+ 3	93	- 1	68	+ 3	60	+ 7
1900.....	75	+ 7	68	+ 1	101	+ 6	75	+10	65	+ 8
1901.....	72	- 4	69	+ 1	112	+11	74	- 1	64	- 2
1902.....	76	+ 6	68	- 1	112	( <sup>6</sup> )	76	+ 3	69	+ 8
1903.....	79	+ 5	67	- 1	111	- 1	78	+ 3	69	( <sup>6</sup> )
1904.....	80	+ 1	68	+ 1	106	- 5	78	( <sup>6</sup> )	70	+ 1
1905.....	84	+ 5	67	- 1	99	- 7	78	( <sup>6</sup> )	69	- 1
1906.....	93	+11	66	- 1	99	( <sup>6</sup> )	80	+ 3	72	+ 4
1907.....	96	+ 3	67	+ 2	99	( <sup>6</sup> )	84	+ 5	76	+ 6
1908.....	91	- 5	70	+ 4	95	- 4	80	- 5	74	- 3
1909.....	96	+ 5	71	+ 1	96	+ 1	90	+13	79	+ 7
1910.....	100	+ 4	72	+ 1	94	- 2	96	+ 7	81	+ 3
1911.....	100	( <sup>6</sup> )	72	( <sup>6</sup> )	90	- 4	86	-10	77	- 5
1912.....	98	- 2	71	- 1	90	( <sup>6</sup> )	84	- 2	82	+ 6
1913.....	99	+ 1	70	- 1	91	+ 1	83	- 1	81	- 1
1914.....	96	- 3	72	+ 3	94	+ 3	81	- 2	80	- 1
1915.....	93	- 3	80	+11	92	- 2	81	( <sup>6</sup> )	81	+ 1
1916.....	100	+ 8	100	+25	100	+ 9	100	+23	100	+23

<sup>1</sup> Number of commodities varied from 22 in 1890 to 30 in 1916.  
<sup>2</sup> Number of commodities was 9 from 1890 to 1912, inclusive, and 10 from 1913 to 1916.  
<sup>3</sup> Includes 6 commodities (earthen and glass ware) from 1890 to 1916.  
<sup>4</sup> Number of commodities was 12 from 1890 to 1912, inclusive, 22 from 1913 to 1915, and 21 in 1916.  
<sup>5</sup> Number of commodities varied from 192 in 1890 to 296 in 1916.  
<sup>6</sup> No change.

TABLE 5.—INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES AND BY MONTHS, 1913 TO 1916.

[For explanation of method used in computing these index numbers, see pp. 5 and 6.]

Year and month.	Farm products.		Food, etc.		Cloths and clothing.		Fuel and lighting.		Metals and metal products.	
	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.
1913.										
January.....	79		78		80		86		72	
February.....	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	77	-1	80	( <sup>1</sup> )	89	+3	71	-1
March.....	81	+3	76	-1	80	( <sup>1</sup> )	89	( <sup>1</sup> )	69	-3
April.....	80	-1	75	-1	79	-1	86	-3	69	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	80	( <sup>1</sup> )	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	68	-1
June.....	81	+1	78	+4	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	87	+1	67	-1
July.....	82	+1	80	+3	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	87	( <sup>1</sup> )	66	-1
August.....	83	+1	82	+3	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	87	( <sup>1</sup> )	66	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	85	+2	83	+1	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	87	( <sup>1</sup> )	67	+2
October.....	84	-1	80	-4	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	86	-1	67	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	83	-1	83	+4	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	65	-3
December.....	82	-1	80	-4	78	-1	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	62	-5
1914.										
January.....	83	+1	80	( <sup>1</sup> )	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	62	( <sup>1</sup> )
February.....	83	( <sup>1</sup> )	79	-1	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	62	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	84	+1	77	-3	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	62	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	84	( <sup>1</sup> )	75	-3	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	85	-1	61	-2
May.....	85	+1	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	81	-5	59	-3
June.....	85	( <sup>1</sup> )	79	+5	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	78	-4	58	-2
July.....	85	( <sup>1</sup> )	81	+3	79	+1	78	( <sup>1</sup> )	57	-2
August.....	89	+5	88	+9	78	-1	77	-1	57	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	88	-1	91	+3	77	-1	76	-1	58	+2
October.....	84	-5	84	-8	76	-1	75	-1	56	-3
November.....	83	-1	83	-1	76	( <sup>1</sup> )	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	55	-2
December.....	81	-2	82	-1	76	( <sup>1</sup> )	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	56	+2
1915.										
January.....	84	+4	84	+2	75	-1	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	56	( <sup>1</sup> )
February.....	86	+2	85	+1	76	+1	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	58	+4
March.....	86	( <sup>1</sup> )	83	-2	76	( <sup>1</sup> )	75	( <sup>1</sup> )	60	+3
April.....	87	+1	83	( <sup>1</sup> )	77	+1	72	-4	61	+2
May.....	89	+2	83	( <sup>1</sup> )	77	( <sup>1</sup> )	72	( <sup>1</sup> )	65	+7
June.....	86	-3	81	-2	77	( <sup>1</sup> )	72	( <sup>1</sup> )	67	+3
July.....	89	+3	82	+1	77	( <sup>1</sup> )	73	+1	69	+3
August.....	88	-1	81	-1	78	+1	74	+1	67	-3
September.....	84	-5	79	-2	79	+1	77	+4	67	( <sup>1</sup> )
October.....	86	+2	82	+4	81	+3	78	+1	68	+1
November.....	83	-3	85	+4	82	+1	81	+4	70	+3
December.....	84	+1	88	+4	84	+2	83	+2	77	+10
1916.										
January.....	89	+6	90	+2	87	+4	88	+6	85	+10
February.....	89	( <sup>1</sup> )	90	( <sup>1</sup> )	89	+2	89	+1	89	+5
March.....	91	+2	91	+1	92	+3	90	+1	95	+7
April.....	93	+2	93	+2	94	+2	91	+1	99	+4
May.....	95	+2	94	+1	96	+2	90	-1	102	+3
June.....	95	( <sup>1</sup> )	94	( <sup>1</sup> )	97	+1	91	+1	101	-1
July.....	96	+1	96	+2	99	+2	91	( <sup>1</sup> )	98	-3
August.....	103	+7	101	+5	100	+1	92	+1	98	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	107	+4	106	+5	103	+3	96	+4	100	+2
October.....	111	+4	111	+5	108	+5	111	+16	102	+2
November.....	118	+6	119	+7	114	+6	130	+17	108	+6
December.....	116	-2	115	-3	122	+7	141	+8	125	+16

<sup>1</sup> No change.

TABLE 5.—INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES AND BY MONTHS, 1913 TO 1916—Concluded.

Year and month.	Lumber and building materials.		Drugs and chemicals.		House-furnishing goods.		Miscellaneous.		All commodities	
	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.
1913.										
January.....	99		71		91		83		81	
February.....	100	+1	70	-1	91	( )	82	-1	81	( )
March.....	100	( )	70	( )	91	( )	82	( )	81	( )
April.....	100	( )	70	( )	91	( )	82	( )	80	( )
May.....	100	( )	70	( )	91	( )	82	( )	80	( )
June.....	100	( )	70	( )	91	( )	83	+1	81	+1
July.....	100	( )	69	-1	91	( )	84	+1	82	+1
August.....	98	-2	69	( )	91	( )	84	( )	82	( )
September.....	98	( )	70	+1	91	( )	84	( )	83	+1
October.....	97	-1	71	+1	91	( )	83	-1	82	-1
November.....	97	( )	71	( )	91	( )	83	( )	82	( )
December.....	97	( )	71	( )	91	( )	82	-1	81	-1
1914.										
January.....	97	( )	71	( )	94	+3	81	-1	81	( )
February.....	98	+1	71	( )	94	( )	81	( )	81	( )
March.....	98	( )	71	( )	94	( )	82	+1	80	-1
April.....	98	( )	71	( )	94	( )	82	( )	80	( )
May.....	97	-1	71	( )	94	( )	82	( )	79	-1
June.....	97	( )	71	( )	94	( )	81	-1	80	+1
July.....	96	-1	71	( )	94	( )	80	-1	80	( )
August.....	96	( )	70	-1	94	( )	80	( )	83	+4
September.....	95	-1	74	+6	94	( )	81	+1	83	( )
October.....	95	( )	76	+3	94	( )	79	-2	80	-4
November.....	94	-1	76	( )	94	( )	78	-1	79	-1
December.....	93	-1	75	-1	94	( )	80	+3	79	( )
1915.										
January.....	93	( )	74	-1	92	-2	81	+1	80	+1
February.....	94	+1	73	-1	92	( )	81	( )	81	+1
March.....	93	-1	73	( )	92	( )	81	( )	80	-1
April.....	93	( )	72	-1	92	( )	80	-1	81	+1
May.....	93	( )	71	-1	92	( )	80	( )	82	+1
June.....	92	-1	73	+3	92	( )	80	( )	80	-2
July.....	93	+1	75	+3	92	( )	80	( )	82	+3
August.....	91	-2	76	+1	92	( )	80	( )	81	-1
September.....	92	+1	80	+5	92	( )	80	( )	80	-1
October.....	92	( )	85	+6	92	( )	82	+3	82	+3
November.....	94	+2	99	+16	92	( )	83	+1	83	+1
December.....	96	+2	102	+3	92	( )	86	+4	86	+4
1916.										
January.....	98	+2	98	-4	95	+3	89	+3	89	+3
February.....	99	+1	101	+3	95	( )	88	-1	90	+1
March.....	100	+1	103	+2	95	( )	91	+3	92	+2
April.....	100	( )	105	+2	99	+4	92	+1	94	+2
May.....	101	+1	107	+2	99	( )	95	+3	96	+2
June.....	100	-1	105	+2	99	( )	100	+5	96	( )
July.....	98	-2	100	-5	101	+2	101	+1	97	+1
August.....	99	+1	92	-8	101	( )	103	+2	100	+3
September.....	99	( )	92	( )	101	( )	105	+2	103	+3
October.....	100	+1	95	+3	104	+3	110	+5	108	+5
November.....	103	+3	99	+4	104	( )	112	+2	116	+7
December.....	105	+2	100	+1	104	( )	113	+1	118	+2

<sup>1</sup> No change.

To enable the reader to follow more readily the rise and fall of relative prices year by year since 1890 a series of charts has been constructed. A glance at Chart A shows that the trend of wholesale prices for all commodities taken together was downward during the first eight years of the period, or until 1897, after which they rose steadily until 1910, except for slight declines in 1901, 1905, and 1908. In 1911 there was a sharp decline, followed by a quick recovery in 1912. In 1913 and 1914 prices again declined, but reacted in 1915. Between 1915 and 1916 occurred by far the most pronounced price advances that have taken place between any two years since the present study of price changes was begun, the index number of all commodities rising from 81 to 100, an increase of more than 23 per cent. Comparing the all-commodities curve with the several group curves on Chart B, one is struck at once by its remarkable similarity to the curve for farm products. In only two years (1901 and 1914) of the 27 years covered by the statistics does the all-commodities curve move in a direction contrary to the trend of the farm-products curve. In three other years, 1891, 1897, and 1903, the all-commodities curve shows no change in the general level of prices, while the farm-products curve registers either a rise or a fall in that group. In two other years, 1899 and 1913, the price of farm products remained unchanged, while prices of all commodities increased in one instance and fell slightly in the other. The food curve, as might be expected, follows rather closely the curve for farm products.

The reason for the preponderating influence of farm products upon the yearly price changes of all commodities becomes clear when one consults Appendix B of the present bulletin, which gives the approximate values in 1909 and 1916 of the commodities comprising the several groups in the exchanges of the country.

Marked price fluctuations since 1890 have occurred in the group of fuel and lighting and in that of metals and metal products (Chart C). Fuel and lighting reached the lowest levels in 1894 and 1897, while metals and metal products were equally low in each of the years 1894, 1897, and 1898. Cloths and clothing (Chart B) remained relatively stable in price from 1890 to 1915, but increased enormously in 1916. Lumber and building materials (Chart C), while showing less extensive price fluctuations than some of the other groups, reached again in 1916 the high level attained in 1910 and 1911.

The curve for the drugs and chemicals group in Chart D shows plainly the influence of war on the price of these commodities in the last three years. The groups of house-furnishing goods and miscellaneous articles are also shown on this chart. The former is too small to be of much significance. The latter is a very mixed group, and the meaning of price variations within it is very hard to interpret.

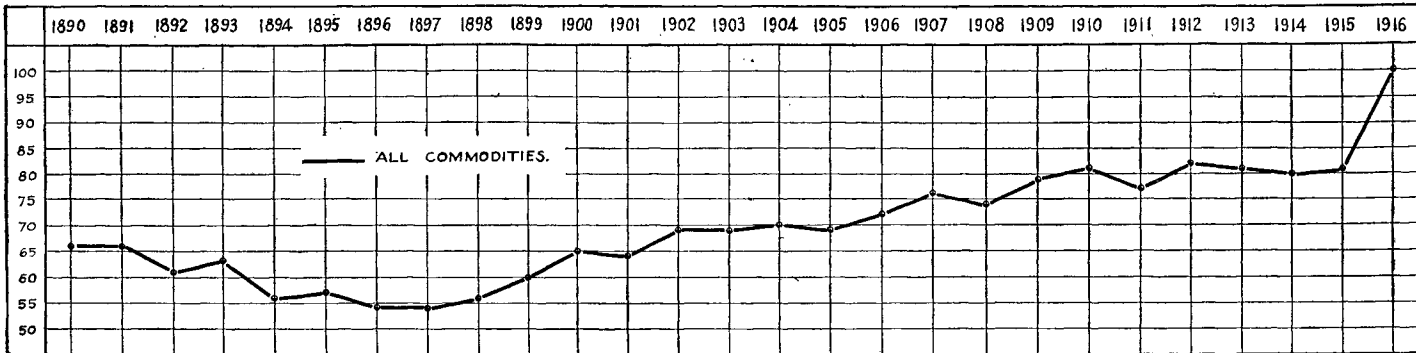


CHART A.

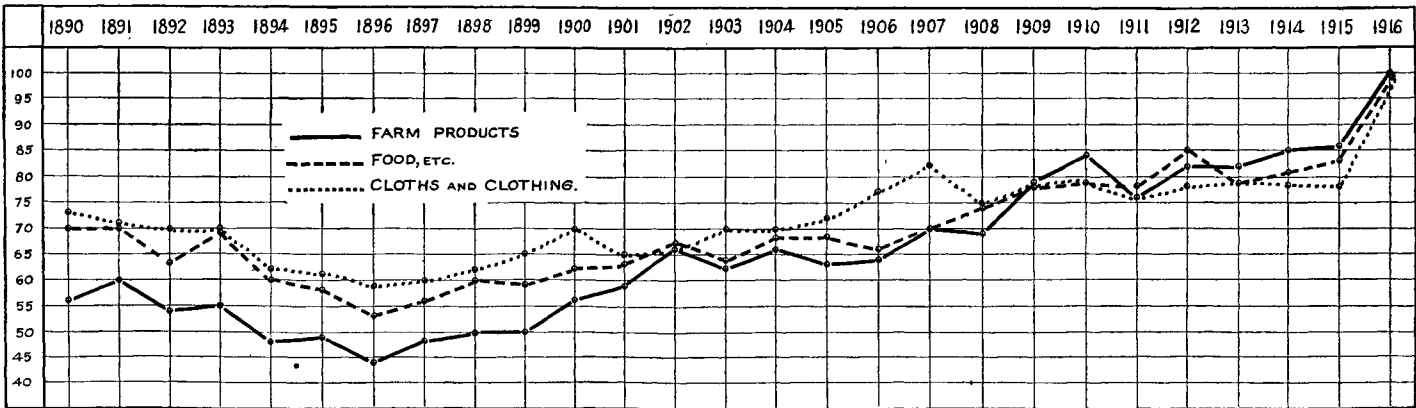


CHART B.

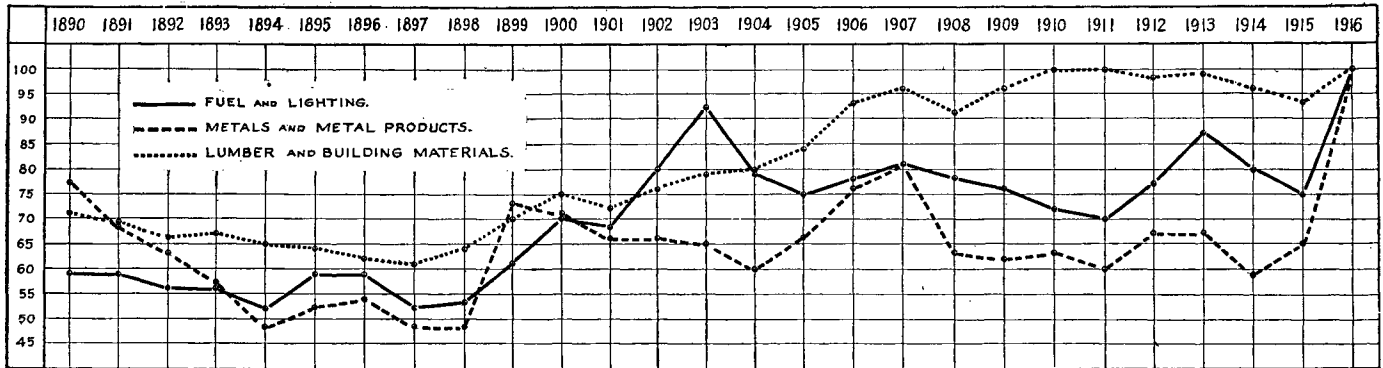


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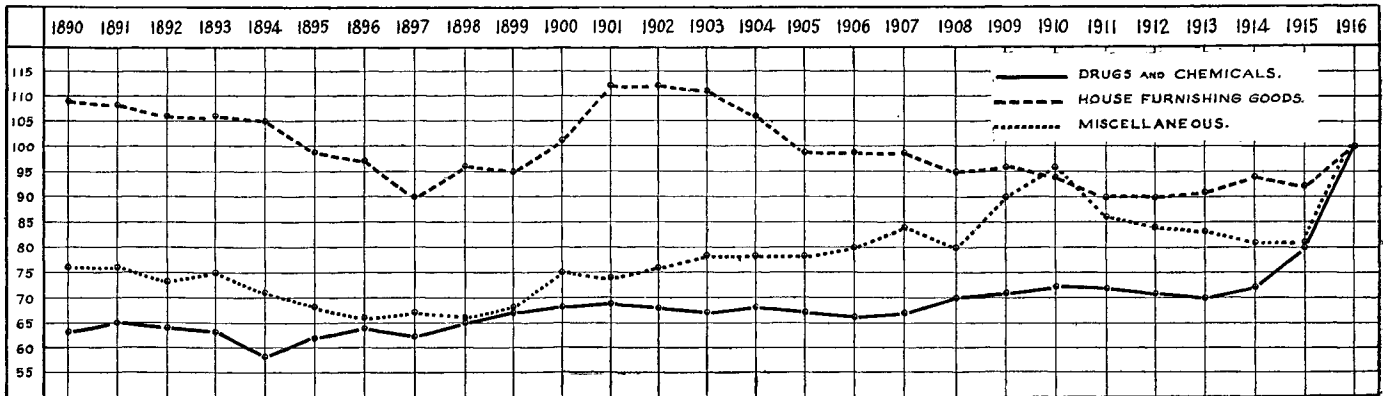


CHART D.

Table 5 and Charts E to H furnish a comparison of group price fluctuations since the outbreak of war in Europe with those of the period immediately preceding this event. The charts here shown (E to H) are not directly comparable with those indicating yearly price changes, since they are drawn to a different scale. They may, however, be compared with the other charts in this report showing

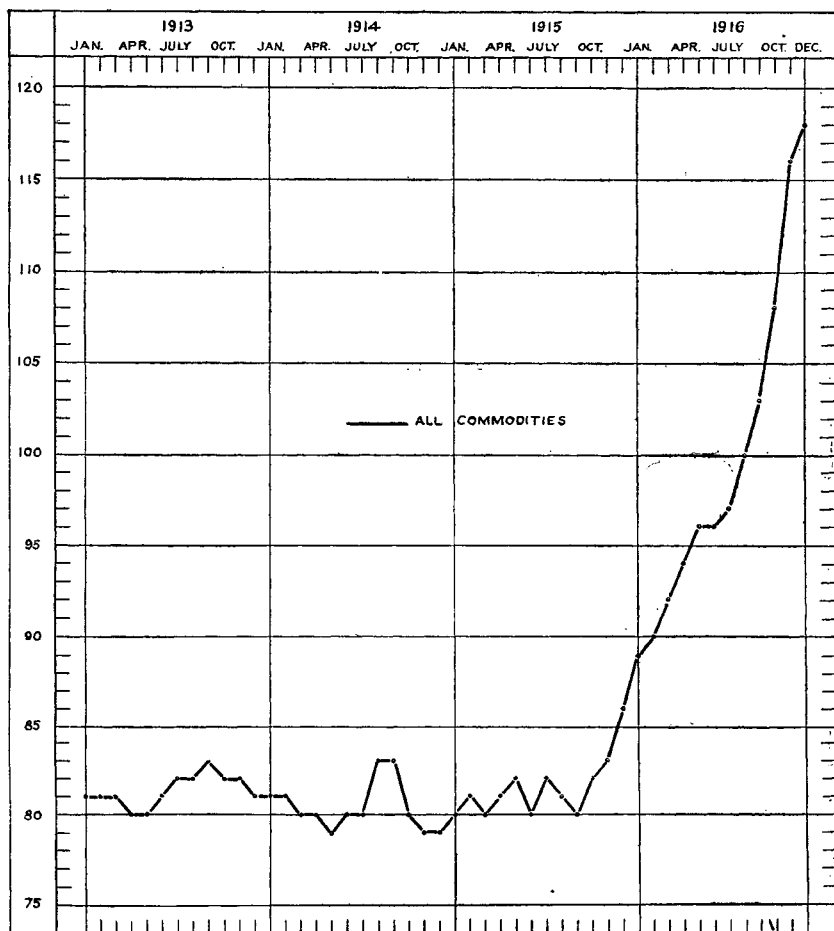


CHART E.

monthly price variations. In the two important groups of farm products and foodstuffs (Chart F) it is seen that prices moved within comparatively narrow limits during 1913 and the first half of 1914, the monthly variation at no time being greater than 5.3 per cent. The upward trend of prices in both groups in the summer of 1913 and the downward trend of food prices early in 1914 are, however, quite noticeable. With the opening of hostilities in the summer of

1914 prices in these two groups at first rose steeply and then declined as sharply, due to the prevailing business stagnation resulting from the war. In 1915, as business became adjusted to the changed conditions brought about by the war, prices gradually recovered. The unprecedented advances in the last year contrast strongly with price

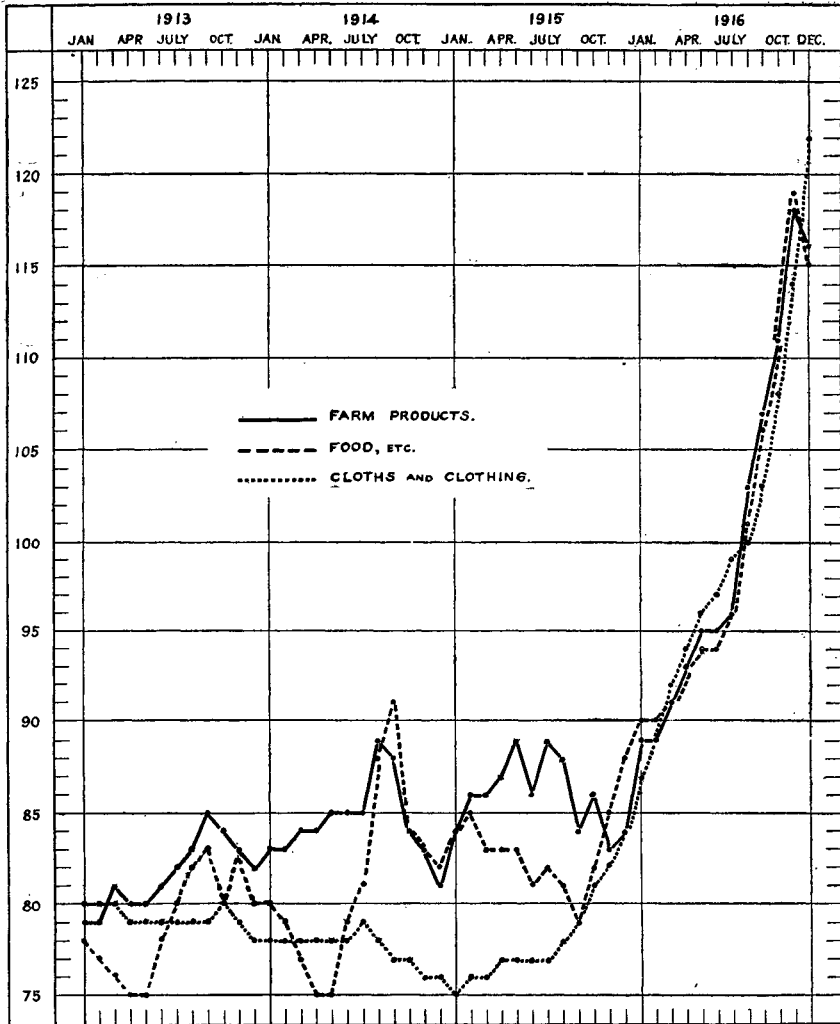


CHART F.

changes in the early months of the period. In the remaining groups (Charts G and H) the immediate effects of the war are not so noticeable, but it is obvious that the considerable price increases shown for drugs and chemicals in the latter part of 1914 are directly attributable to this cause. In all groups the upward trend of prices since 1914



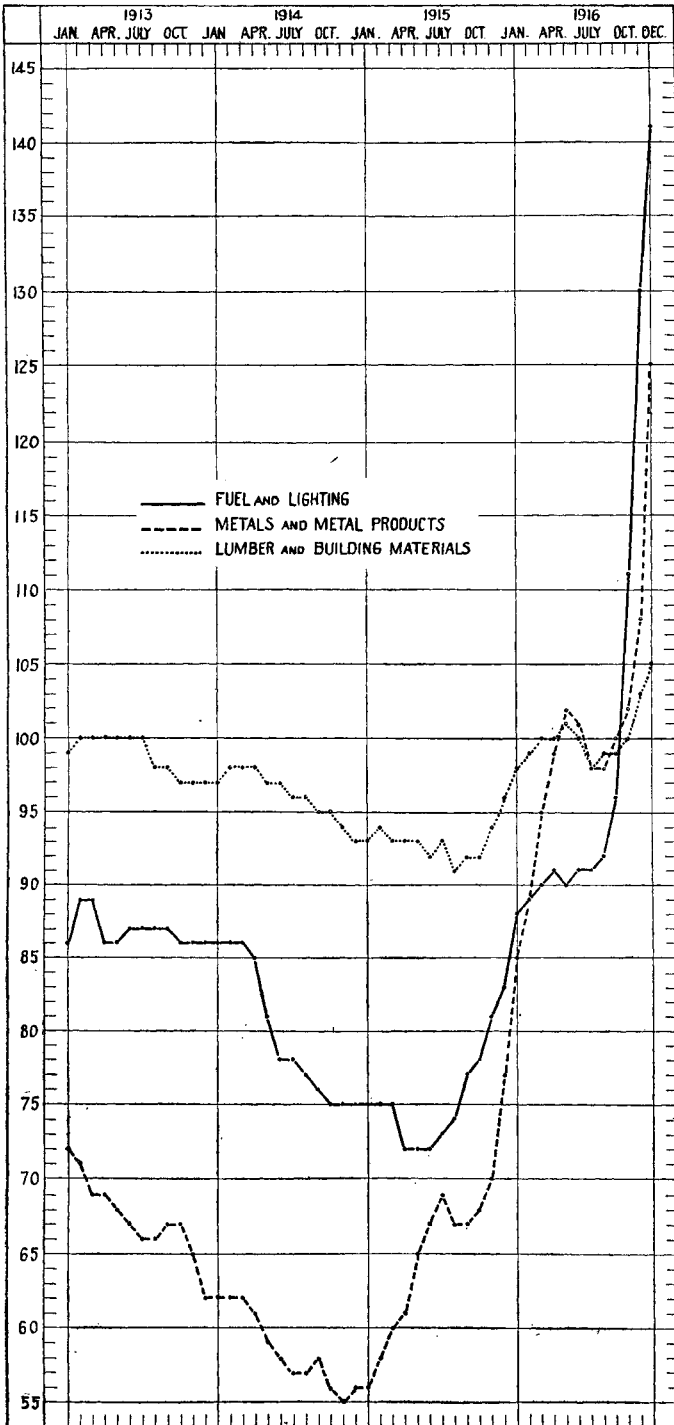


CHART G.

and, particularly, the enormous increases recorded in 1915 and 1916, are of course due in large measure to conditions resulting from the European conflict.

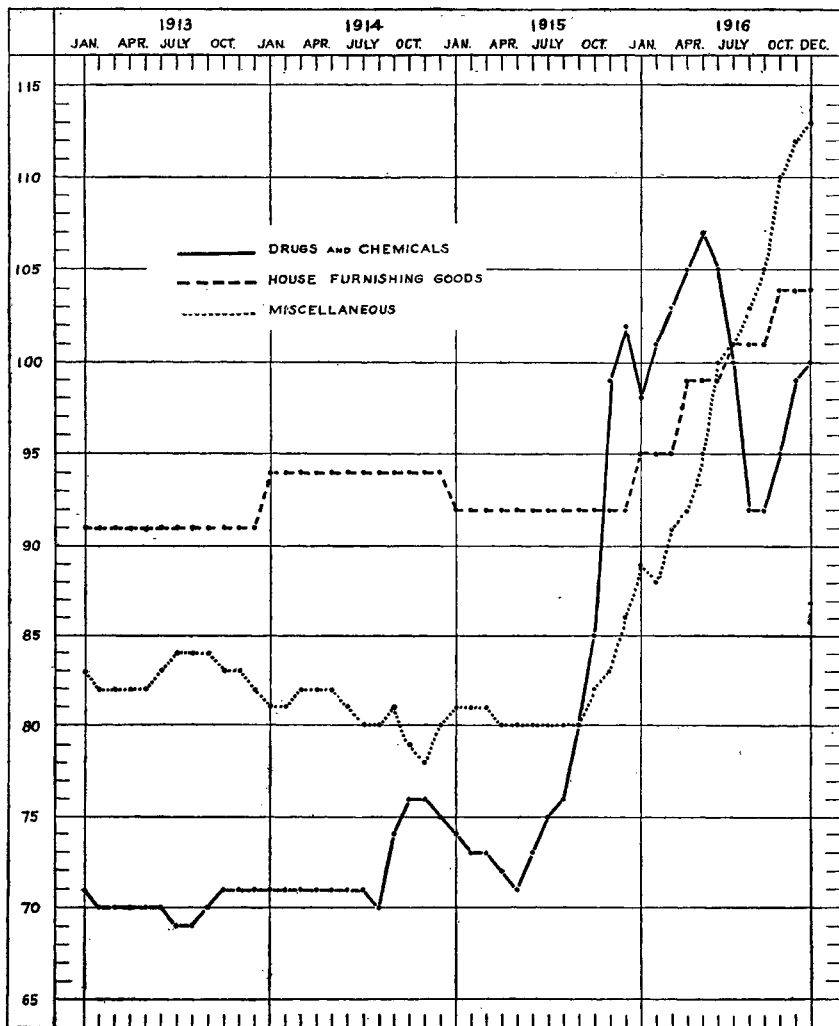


CHART H.

The 30 articles composing the group of farm products have been classified into two subgroups, animal products and vegetable products, in order that a comparison of monthly price fluctuations during the last four years in these two classes of raw commodities may be had. Table 6 which follows shows that throughout the whole of 1913 and 1914 animal products were relatively higher in price, as compared with their 1916 base, than were vegetable products, but that since the beginning of 1915 the two groups have alternated in this respect. Toward the close of 1916 both groups showed marked price

increases, this being especially noticeable in the case of vegetable products. The widest price fluctuations from month to month during the four years are found in this group.

TABLE 6.—VARIATIONS IN THE WHOLESALE PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS CLASSIFIED INTO ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE PRODUCTS, BY MONTHS, 1913 TO 1916.

[For explanation of method used in computing these index numbers, see pp. 5 and 6.]

Year and month.	Animal products (12 series of quotations).		Vegetable products (18 series of quotations).		All products (30 series of quotations).	
	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding month.
1913.						
January.....	82		76		79	
February.....	84	+2	75	-1	79	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	87	+4	74	-1	81	+3
April.....	87	( <sup>1</sup> )	73	-1	80	-1
May.....	84	-3	77	+5	80	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	85	+1	78	+1	81	+1
July.....	88	+4	77	-1	82	+1
August.....	86	-2	79	+3	83	+1
September.....	87	+1	83	+5	85	+2
October.....	86	-1	83	( <sup>1</sup> )	84	-1
November.....	83	-3	82	-1	83	-1
December.....	83	( <sup>1</sup> )	81	-1	82	-1
1914.						
January.....	86	+4	79	-2	83	+1
February.....	87	+1	80	+1	83	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	87	( <sup>1</sup> )	80	( <sup>1</sup> )	84	+1
April.....	88	+1	81	+1	84	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	87	-1	83	+2	85	+1
June.....	86	-1	83	( <sup>1</sup> )	85	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	91	+6	80	-4	85	( <sup>1</sup> )
August.....	94	+3	85	+6	89	+5
September.....	95	+1	82	-4	88	-1
October.....	90	-5	78	-5	84	-5
November.....	89	-1	77	-1	83	-1
December.....	85	-4	77	( <sup>1</sup> )	81	-2
1915.						
January.....	83	-2	84	+9	84	+4
February.....	80	-4	91	+8	86	+2
March.....	81	+1	90	-1	86	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	80	-1	94	+4	87	+1
May.....	85	+6	94	( <sup>1</sup> )	89	+2
June.....	87	+2	85	-9	86	-3
July.....	89	+2	88	+4	89	+3
August.....	89	( <sup>1</sup> )	87	-1	88	-1
September.....	89	( <sup>1</sup> )	80	-8	84	-5
October.....	90	+1	82	+3	86	+2
November.....	85	-6	81	-1	83	-3
December.....	83	-2	86	+6	84	+1
1916.						
January.....	86	+4	91	+6	89	+6
February.....	88	+2	90	-1	89	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	95	+8	86	-4	91	+2
April.....	97	+2	90	+5	93	+2
May.....	100	+3	91	+1	95	+2
June.....	103	+3	88	-3	95	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	103	( <sup>1</sup> )	90	+2	96	+1
August.....	104	+1	102	+13	103	+7
September.....	106	+2	108	+6	107	+4
October.....	103	-3	118	+9	111	+4
November.....	107	+4	129	+9	118	+6
December.....	110	+3	120	-7	116	-2

<sup>1</sup> No change.

In order that the price fluctuations of commodities in their raw state may be compared with the price fluctuations of such commodities after being converted into manufactures, the following two tables, covering the years from 1890 to 1916 and the months from January,

1913, to December, 1916, have been constructed. In this presentation the index numbers are computed in the one case from the prices of 20 important raw commodities, representing 27 price series, and in the other case from the prices of 71 articles either manufactured directly from or closely akin to those same 20 raw commodities.

The list of raw and manufactured commodities, arranged in pairs, is as follows: Barley and malt, cattle (2 quotations) and beef products (3 quotations), copper ingots and copper wire, corn and corn meal (2 quotations), cotton and cotton textiles (21 quotations), flaxseed and linseed oil, hides and leather (4 quotations), hogs (2 quotations) and hog products (5 quotations), milk and milk products (butter 3 quotations, cheese 1 quotation), petroleum (crude) and refined petroleum (2 quotations), pig iron (4 quotations) and iron products (6 quotations), pig lead and lead pipe, pig tin and tin plate, rye and rye flour, sheep (2 quotations) and mutton, spelter and sheet zinc, sugar (96° centrifugal) and granulated sugar, sulphur and sulphuric acid, wheat and wheat flour (2 quotations), wool (2 quotations) and wool textiles (12 quotations).

TABLE 7.—WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES OF IDENTICAL COMMODITIES IN RAW AND MANUFACTURED STATE, 1890 TO 1916.

[For explanation of method used in computing these index numbers, see pp. 5 and 6.]

Year.	Raw commodities (27 price series).		Manufactured commodities (71 price series).		All commodities (98 price series).	
	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year.	Index number.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year.
1890.....	57	.....	68	.....	61	.....
1891.....	56	— 2	67	— 1	61	( <sup>1</sup> )
1892.....	51	— 9	63	— 6	56	— 8
1893.....	52	+ 2	64	+ 2	57	+ 2
1894.....	46	—12	56	—12	50	—12
1895.....	48	+ 4	57	+ 2	52	+ 4
1896.....	45	— 6	54	— 5	49	— 6
1897.....	47	+ 4	55	+ 2	50	+ 2
1898.....	50	+ 6	56	+ 2	53	+ 6
1899.....	54	+ 8	61	+ 9	57	+ 8
1900.....	58	+ 7	64	+ 5	61	+ 7
1901.....	58	( <sup>1</sup> )	63	— 2	60	— 2
1902.....	62	+ 7	67	+ 6	64	+ 7
1903.....	61	— 2	66	— 1	63	— 2
1904.....	63	+ 3	66	( <sup>1</sup> )	65	+ 3
1905.....	63	( <sup>1</sup> )	68	+ 3	65	( <sup>1</sup> )
1906.....	64	+ 2	67	— 1	66	+ 2
1907.....	69	+ 8	73	+ 9	71	+ 8
1908.....	67	— 3	72	— 1	69	— 3
1909.....	74	+10	75	+ 4	74	+ 7
1910.....	77	+ 4	78	+ 4	78	+ 5
1911.....	71	— 8	72	— 8	71	— 9
1912.....	77	+ 8	77	+ 7	77	+ 8
1913.....	79	+ 3	76	— 1	78	+ 1
1914.....	79	( <sup>1</sup> )	77	+ 1	78	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915.....	82	+ 4	81	+ 5	82	+ 5
1916.....	100	+22	100	+23	100	+22

<sup>1</sup> No change.

An examination of the foregoing table reveals that, in the main, fluctuations in the prices of manufactured commodities from 1890 to 1916 synchronized closely with fluctuations in the prices of raw

commodities. Throughout the period prior to 1912, manufactured commodities maintained a higher price level, as compared with their 1916 base, than did raw commodities. In 1912 both groups stood at the same relative level, 77. From 1913 to 1915 prices of raw commodities were relatively higher than were those of manufactured commodities.

TABLE 8.—WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES OF IDENTICAL COMMODITIES IN RAW AND MANUFACTURED STATE, BY MONTHS, 1913 TO 1916.

[For explanation of method used in computing these index numbers, see pp. 5 and 6.]

Year and month.	Raw commodities (27 price series).		Manufactured commodities (71 price series).		All commodities (98 price series).	
	Index number.	Per cent of-in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of-in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding month.	Index number.	Per cent of-in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding month.
1913.						
January.....	77		76		76	
February.....	78	+1	76	(1)	77	+1
March.....	79	+1	77	(1) +1	78	+1
April.....	79	(1)	77	(1)	78	(1)
May.....	77	-3	76	-3	76	-3
June.....	77	(1)	76	+1	77	+1
July.....	79	+3	77	(1) +1	78	+1
August.....	80	+1	77	(1)	78	(1)
September.....	82	+3	77	(1)	80	+3
October.....	81	-1	76	-1	79	-1
November.....	80	-1	76	(1)	78	-1
December.....	79	-1	76	(1)	77	-1
1914.						
January.....	79	(1)	75	-1	77	(1)
February.....	80	+1	75	1)	77	(1)
March.....	80	(1)	74	-1	77	(1)
April.....	79	-1	73	-1	77	(1)
May.....	78	-1	74	+1	76	-1
June.....	77	-1	74	(1)	76	(1)
July.....	78	+1	75	+1	77	+1
August.....	84	+8	82	+9	83	+8
September.....	81	-4	84	+2	82	-1
October.....	77	-5	81	-4	79	-4
November.....	76	-1	80	-1	78	-1
December.....	76	(1)	78	-2	77	-1
1915.						
January.....	78	+3	80	+3	79	+3
February.....	81	+4	82	+3	82	+4
March.....	81	(1)	81	-1	81	-1
April.....	82	+1	82	+1	82	+1
May.....	83	+1	82	(1)	83	+1
June.....	82	-1	81	-1	82	-1
July.....	84	+2	82	+1	83	+1
August.....	81	-4	79	-4	80	-4
September.....	81	(1)	77	-3	79	-1
October.....	82	+1	78	+1	81	+3
November.....	82	(1)	81	+4	82	+1
December.....	85	+4	84	+4	85	+4
1916.						
January.....	89	+5	87	+4	88	+4
February.....	90	+1	89	+2	90	+2
March.....	92	+2	92	+3	92	+2
April.....	94	+2	95	+3	95	+3
May.....	96	+2	96	+1	96	+1
June.....	95	-1	97	+1	96	(1)
July.....	96	+1	97	(1)	97	(1)
August.....	101	+5	102	+5	101	+4
September.....	104	+3	104	+2	104	+3
October.....	111	+7	109	+5	110	+6
November.....	117	+5	116	+6	116	+5
December.....	115	-2	116	(1)	116	(1)

<sup>1</sup> No change.

During the last four years prices in the two groups, while following the same general trend, did not correspond so closely in their movements from month to month. Until September, 1914, the first month of warfare in Europe, raw commodities fluctuated at higher levels as compared with 1916 prices than did manufactured commodities. In that month raw commodities dropped while manufactured commodities advanced, the latter continuing at relatively higher levels until early in 1915. Since May, 1915, raw commodities have, in the main, been relatively higher than manufactured commodities.

### PRICE MOVEMENTS OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES SINCE 1890.

Percentage price changes for 21 selected articles of special importance are shown on a series of charts herewith, the change in each case being measured by the average price in 1916 as the base. The eight charts showing yearly price changes since 1890 are all drawn to the same scale so that these charts can readily be compared with each other. They are likewise comparable with the charts giving yearly price fluctuations in the several groups and in all commodities combined (Charts A to D, pp. 17 and 18). In like manner the eight charts showing monthly price variations since 1913 can be compared directly one with another and with Charts E to H on pages 19 to 22. For obvious reasons these charts are drawn on a larger scale than those designed to show yearly fluctuations.

It is interesting to compare the individual commodity curves for beef cattle and dressed beef (Charts I and Q), for hogs, bacon, and lard (Charts J and R), for sheep and mutton (Charts K and S), for wheat, flour, and bread (Charts L and T), and for sugar, raw and granulated (Charts M and U), with the group curves for farm products and food on Charts B and F. It will be noticed that the changes in prices of farm products from year to year conform quite closely to the changes in the yearly prices of beef cattle. This striking similarity is scarcely discernible at all when monthly price fluctuations of farm products and beef cattle as shown on Charts F and Q are compared. The contrast between the price fluctuations of hogs as compared with beef cattle is very striking, both in the yearly and the monthly price charts (I and J, Q and R). There is but little more uniformity in the fluctuations in prices of sheep and beef cattle.

Chart Q discloses little seasonality in the monthly price curves for cattle. Hogs (Chart R) show some tendency to seasonal high and low points, but it is quite irregular. Probably the tendency toward seasonality would become more apparent if monthly prices could be shown for a period of years before the European war came on to disturb normal price movements. The prices of sheep appear to have been less affected by the war, and Chart S shows a distinct seasonal price variation running through the years 1913 to 1916, the

high point coming in the spring and the low point in the summer and early fall. Prices of dressed beef, bacon and lard, and mutton naturally conform quite closely to the prices of cattle, hogs, and

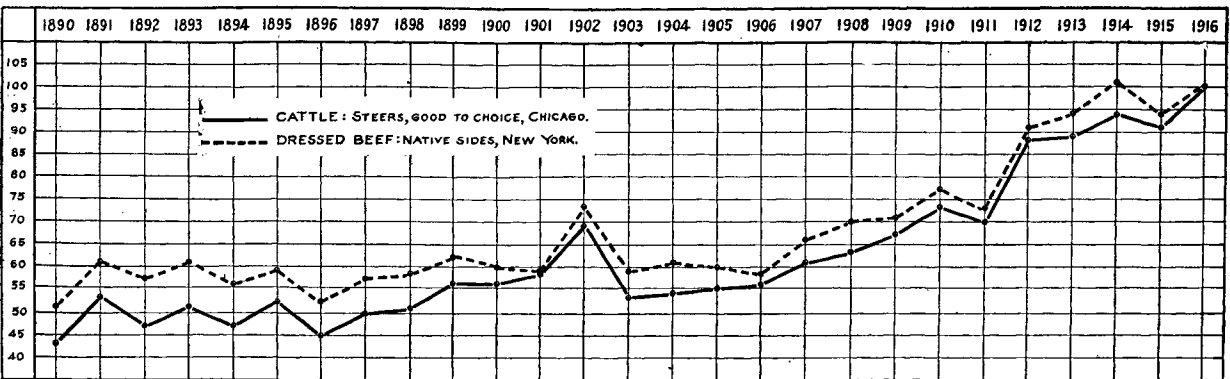


CHART I.

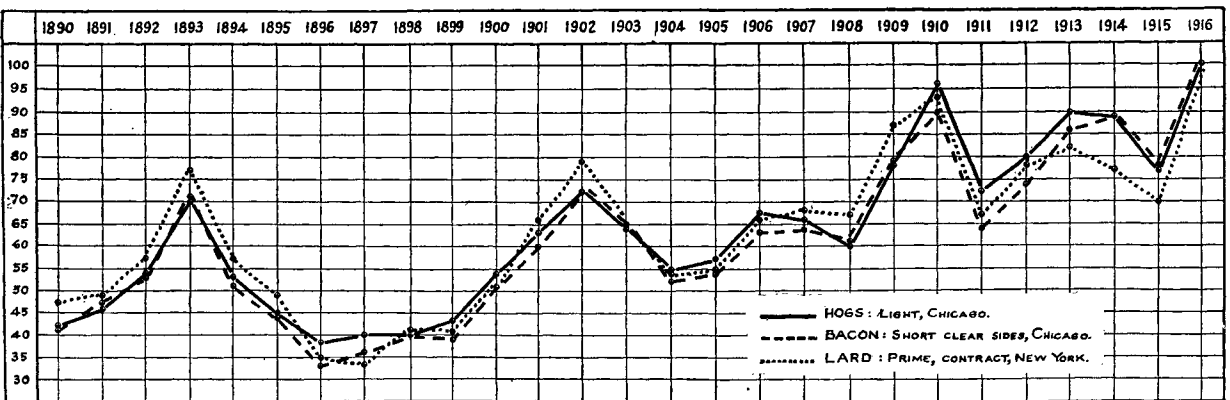


CHART J.

sheep, respectively. The food curve on Chart B follows the dressed-beef curve on Chart I more closely than any of the other food-commodity curves.

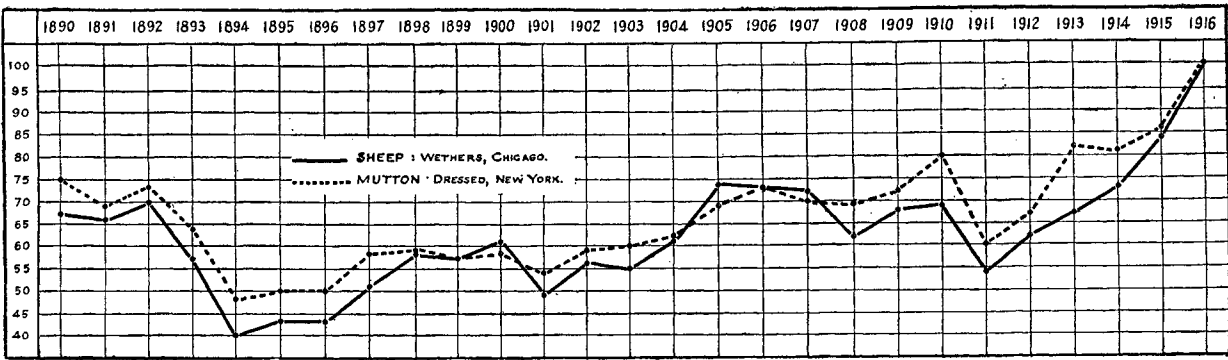


CHART K.

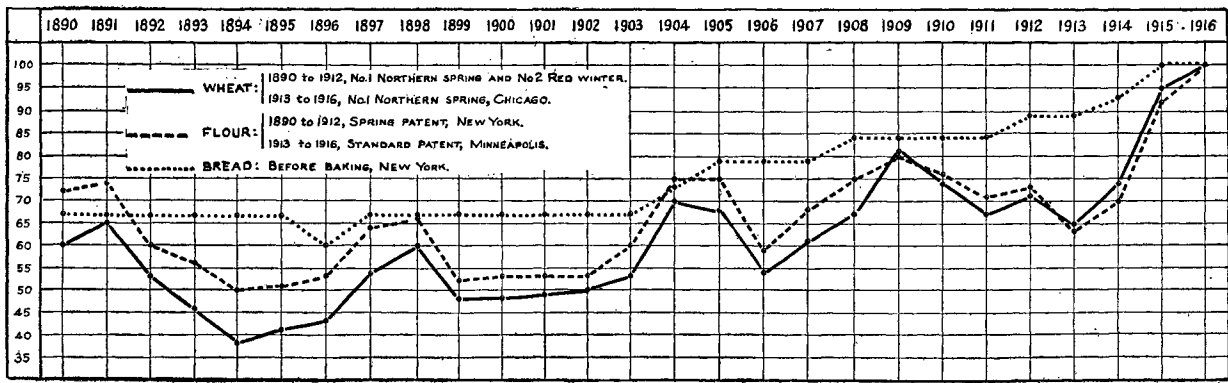


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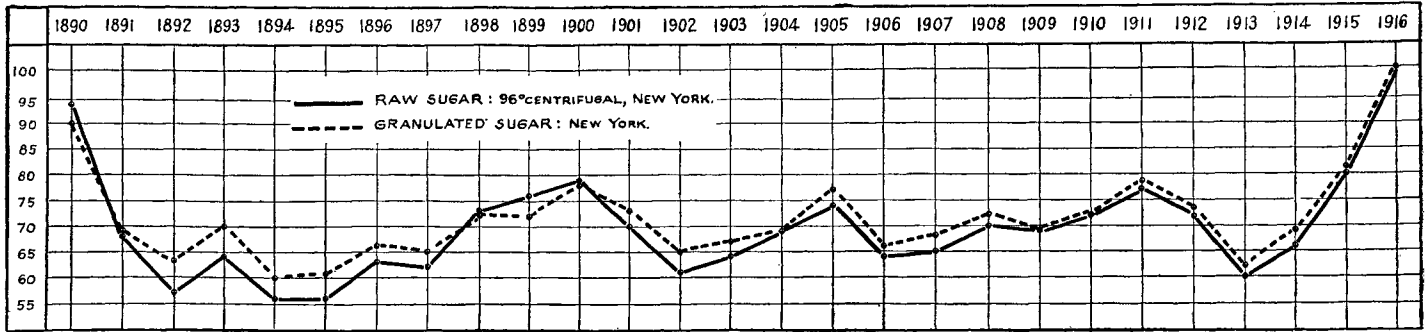


CHART M.

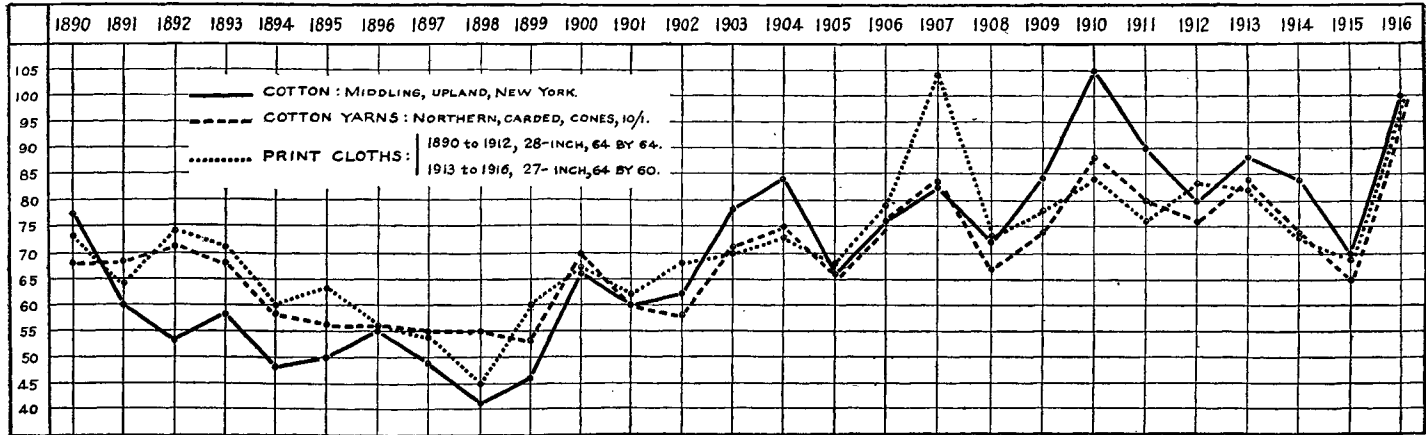


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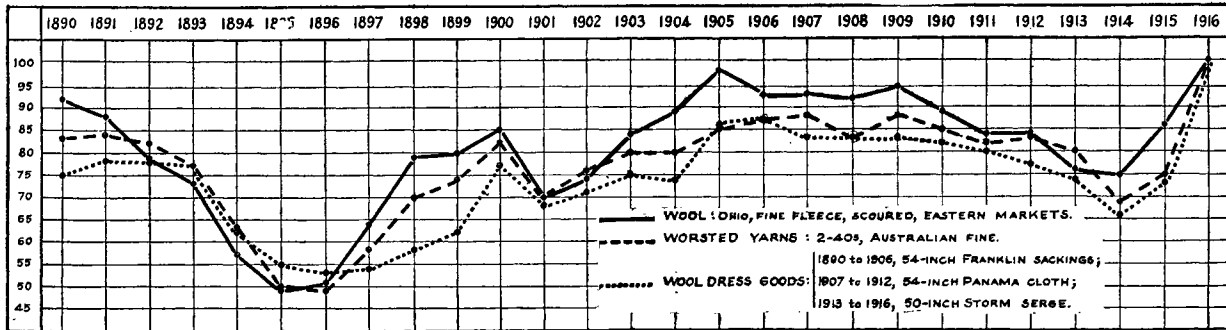


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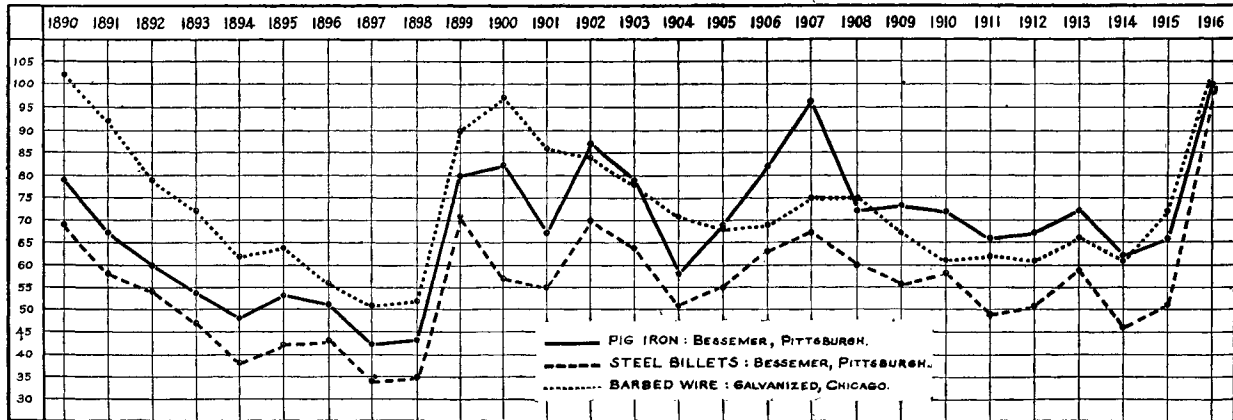


CHART P.

The spectacular variations in the prices of wheat, flour and bread, and sugar, both raw and granulated, at the outbreak of the war and

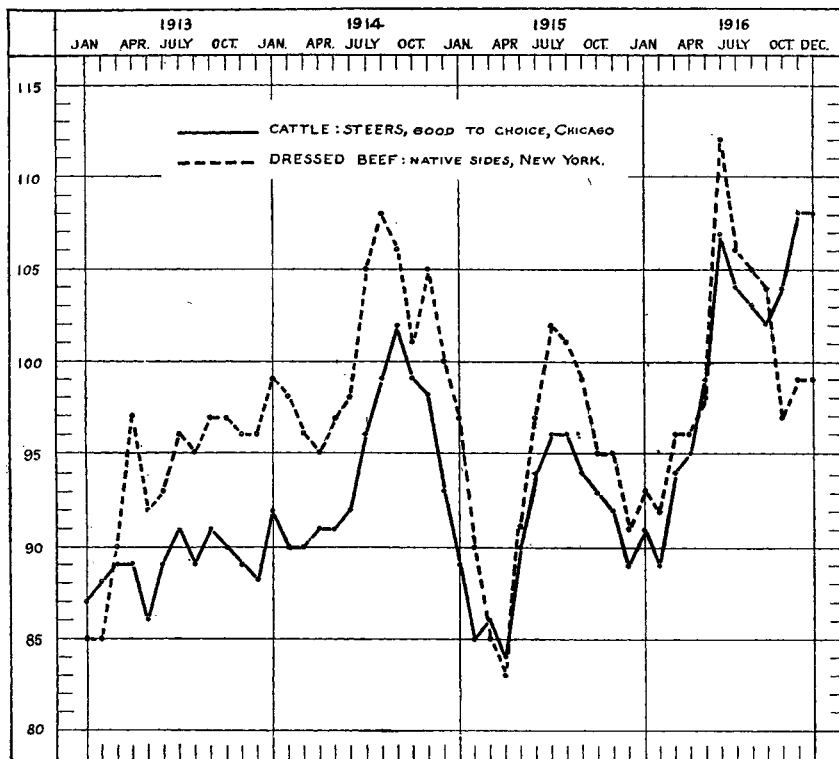


CHART Q.

after, are clearly shown in Charts T and U. In August, 1914, the price of raw sugar jumped 73 per cent and in September it rose still further to 76 per cent above the price in July. The price of wheat rose in August and September 28 per cent, fell in October, and then rose rapidly until in February, 1915, it was 74 per cent above the July price. The price of flour followed very closely the price of wheat. The price of bread rose and fell erratically, but in a general way appears to have been governed by the price of wheat. The drop in the prices of sugar, wheat, and flour was almost as spectacular as their rise, but the average prices of these articles in 1915 was much higher than in 1914, and left an impress upon both the farm-products group and the food group. The enormous advance of wheat and flour prices in the latter part of 1916, due to the short wheat crop, also the great rise in the price of sugar in May are brought out in the charts.

A study of the price curves for raw cotton, cotton yarns, and print cloths in Charts N and V, also those for wool, worsted yarns, and wool dress goods in Charts O and W, shows that sudden and violent price

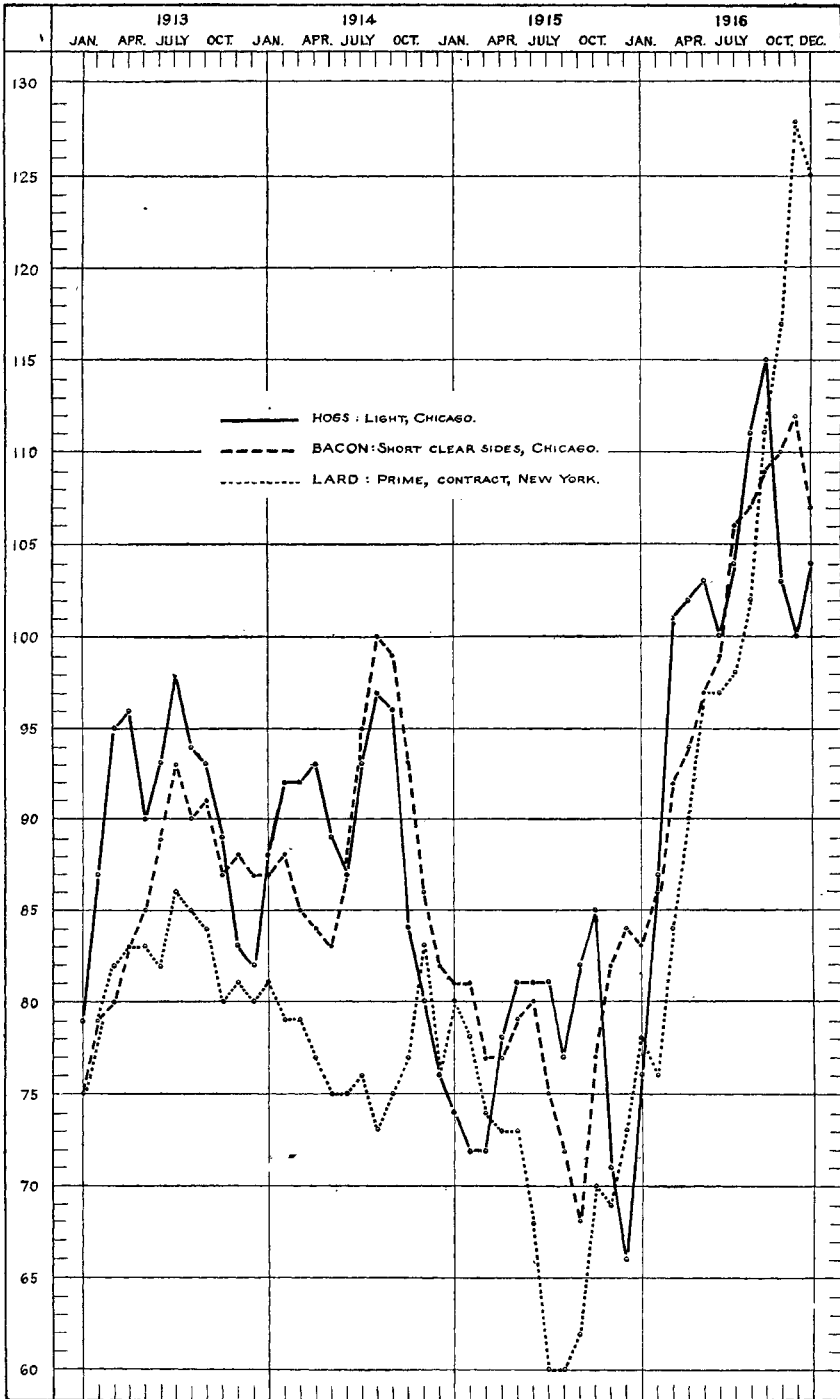


CHART R.

changes have taken place in these commodities. Most of the articles included in the cloths and clothing group, however, as is seen by

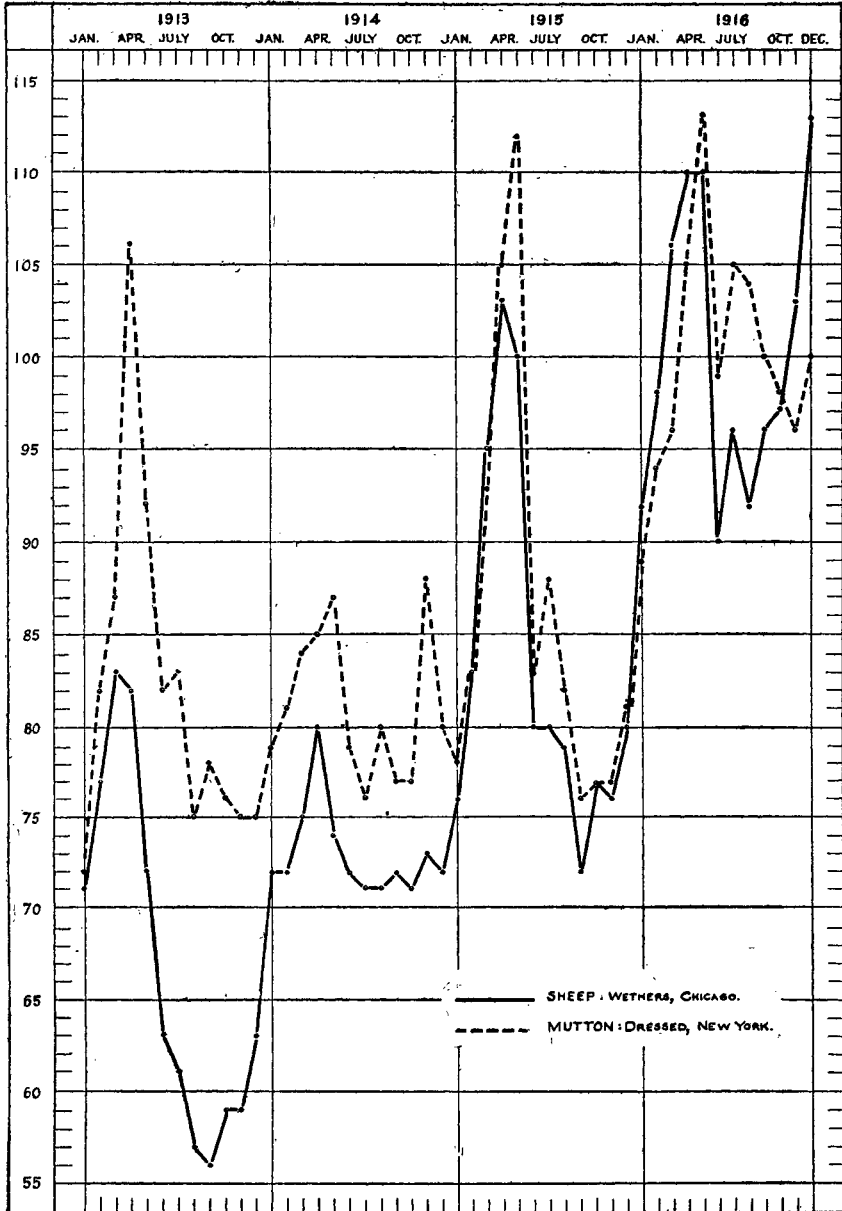


CHART S.

reference to Chart F on page 20, varied but little in price in recent years until near the close of 1915. Raw cotton, being classed with

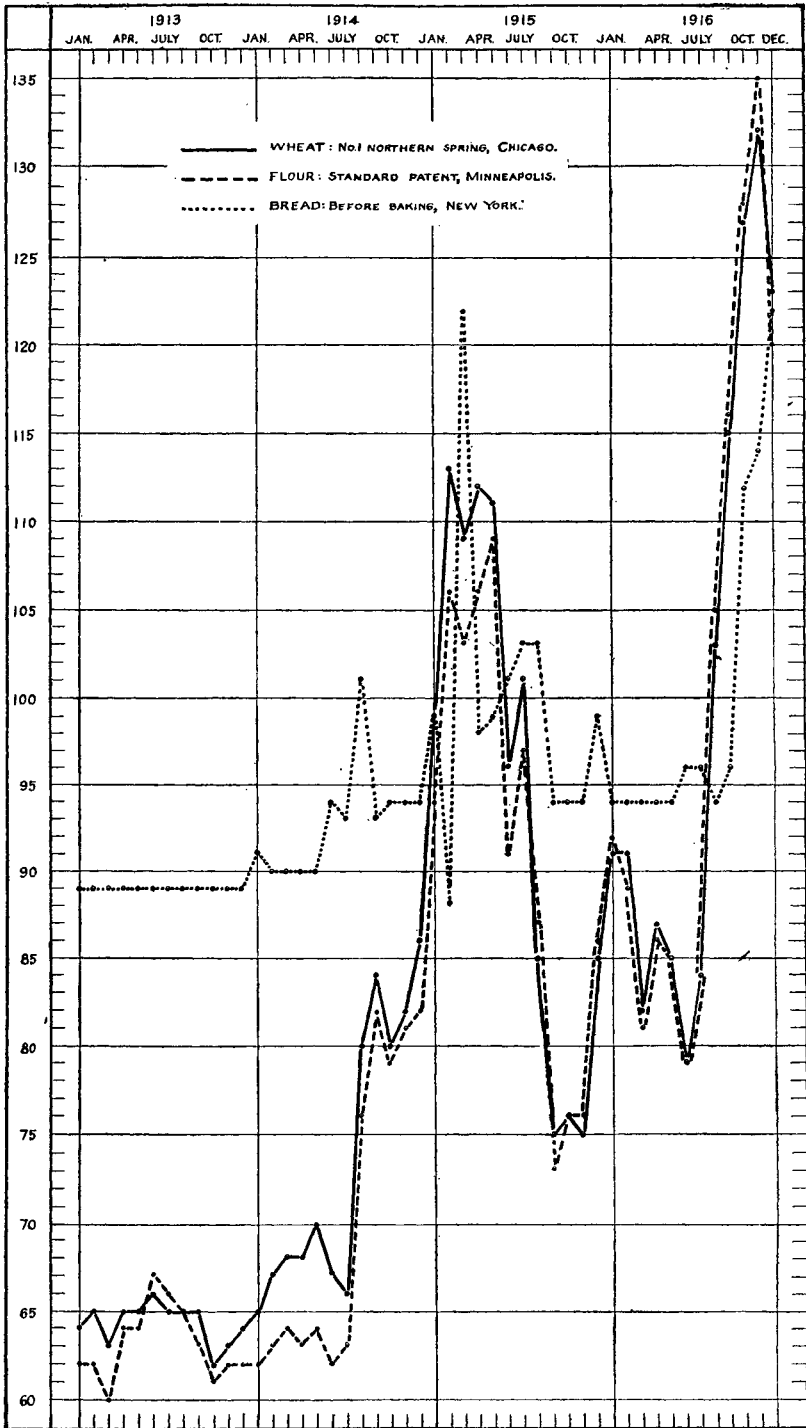


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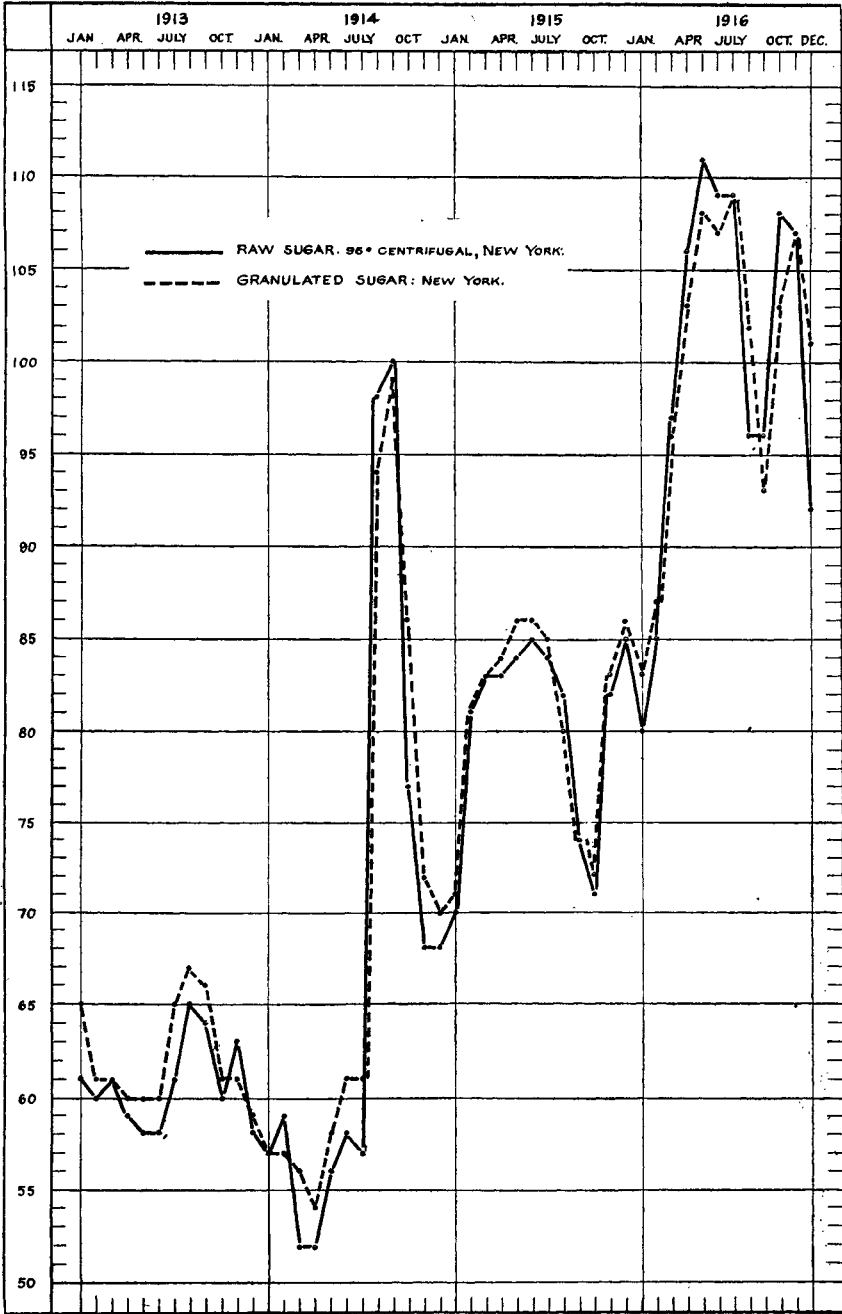


CHART U.

WHOLESALE PRICES, 1890 TO 1916.

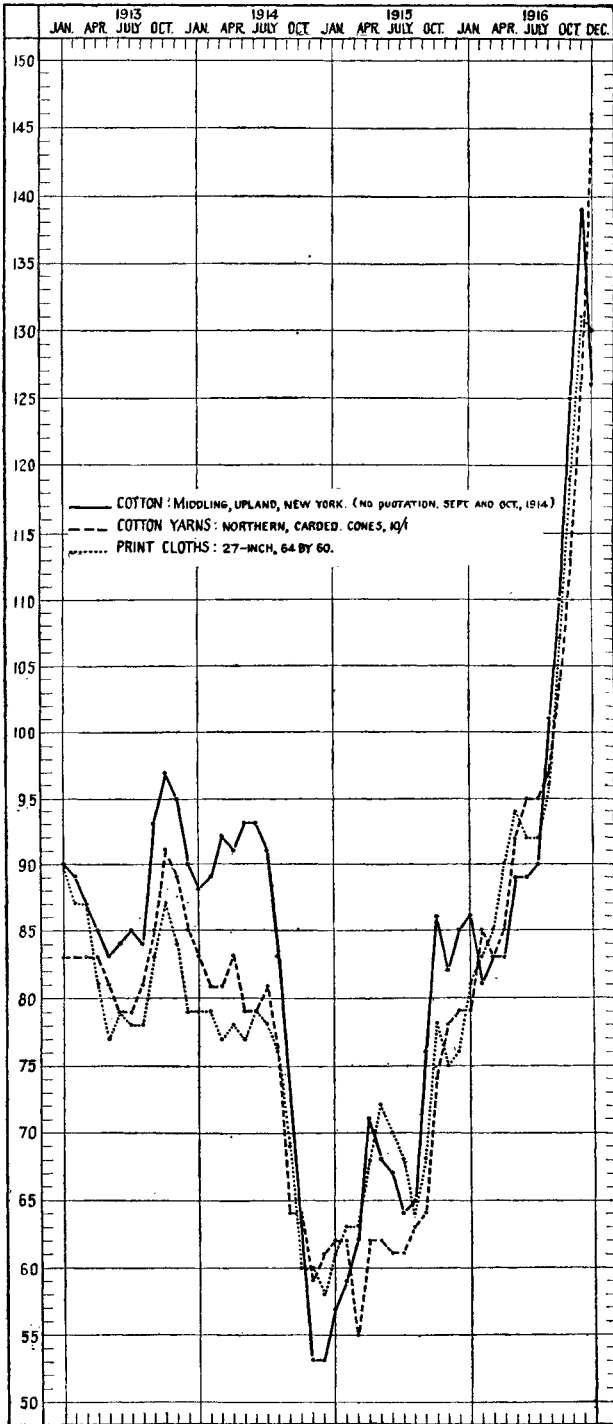


CHART V.



farm products, has no influence on price changes in this group. Charts N and V show that prices of cotton yarns and print cloths are governed very largely by the price of raw cotton. In Chart V

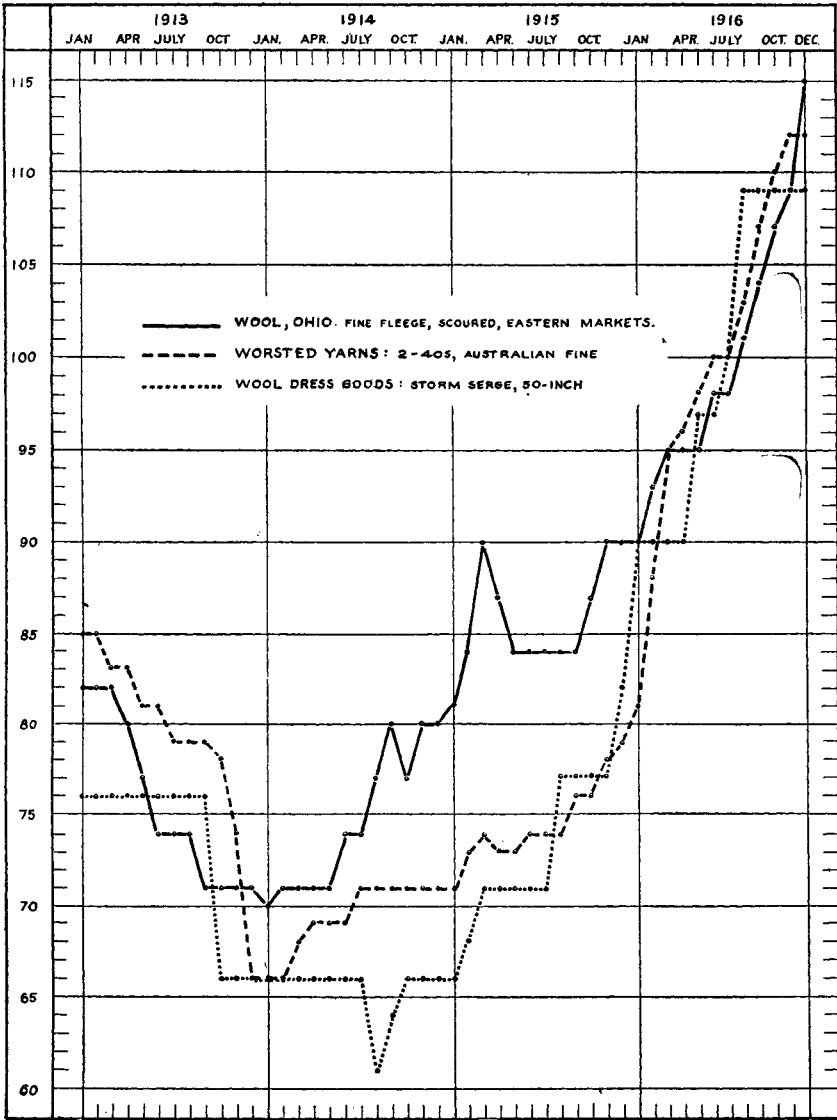


CHART W.

it is seen that the effect of war on the prices of raw cotton and cotton yarns was immediate and disastrous, raw cotton dropping nearly 44 per cent from June to November, 1914. The subsequent advances

WHOLESALE PRICES, 1890 TO 1916.

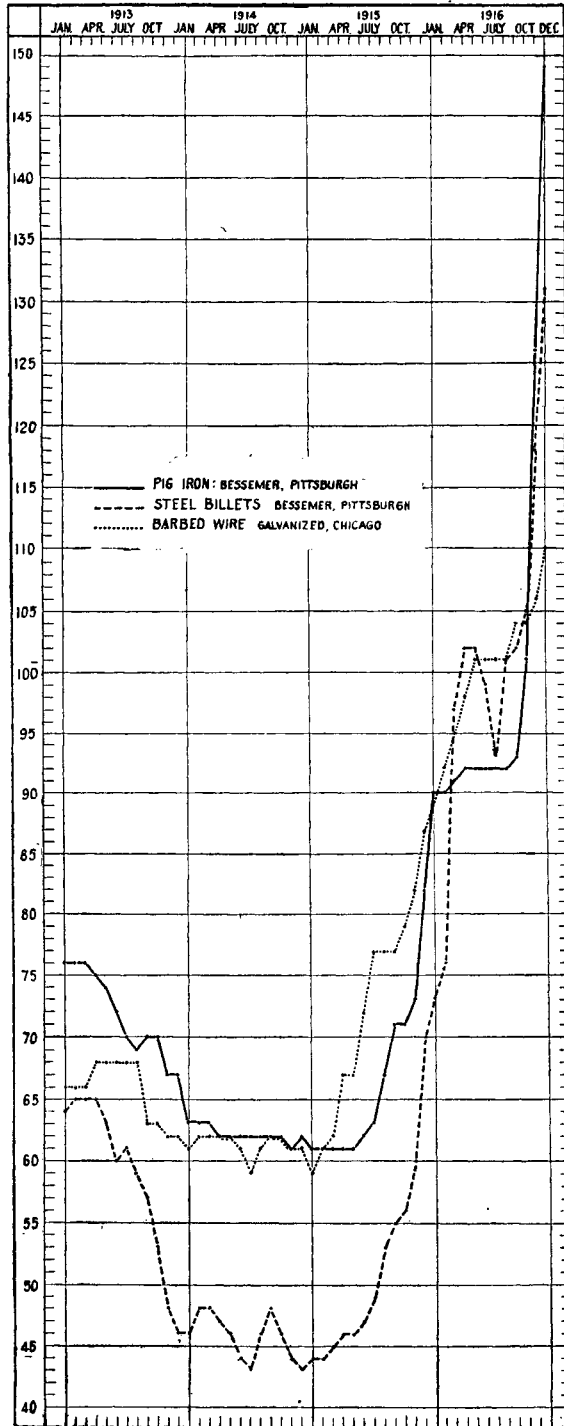


CHART X.

in price, which became most pronounced in 1916, are emphasized by the chart.

Raw wool (Chart W) fell in price between March and September, 1913, nearly 14 per cent. In October, 1913, the price of wool dress goods of the kind selected for charting fell nearly 10 per cent. Between September, 1913, and January, 1914, the decline in the price of worsted yarns amounted to 17 per cent. During 1914 the prices of wool and worsted yarns moved upward, but dress goods remained almost stationary in price. Early in 1915 wool and worsted yarns declined in price, but advanced again in the closing months of the year. Between December, 1915, and December, 1916, wool advanced 28 per cent and worsted yarns 40 per cent in price.

Charts P and X furnish an interesting study of price fluctuations in Bessemer pig iron, steel billets, and barbed wire. The dependence of steel billets and barbed wire prices on the prices of pig iron is clearly shown in these charts. The steady drop in prices of these commodities from 1890 to 1897 and the sharp increases in 1899, 1907, and 1916 are brought out in Chart P. In Chart X, showing monthly price changes since January, 1913, it is seen that prices declined, with fluctuations, until the end of 1914, and that they have risen with great rapidity since that date. As compared with prices in December, 1914, Bessemer pig iron in December, 1916, had increased 142 per cent, steel billets 203 per cent, and barbed wire 80 per cent. It requires little discernment to see in these phenomenal increases the effect of the present conflict in Europe on the iron and steel industry of the country.

### PRICE MOVEMENTS OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES IN 1916.

A brief review of changes in the prices of the more important commodities during 1916, as compared with changes in production, consumption, and quantity exported, is contained in the following pages. The information here presented has been drawn largely from official reports, supplemented in some instances by data from trade journals. The prices quoted are those published in the detailed tables on pp. 61 to 129 of this bulletin. For convenience of reference, the commodities have been classified into groups.

#### FARM PRODUCTS.

*Cotton.*—Prices of cotton averaged higher in 1916 than in any other year since the beginning of the present price series in 1890, with the exception of 1910 only. The low point of the year was reached late in February, when middling upland spot cotton was quoted at 11.35 cents per pound in the New York market. The highest price, 20.90 cents per pound, was paid in November. Prices declined some-

what toward the close of the year, but the average for December was above that for any other month except November.

Chief among the causes contributing to the high prices of cotton in 1916 are believed to be the short crops of the past two years and the great consumption, both for peaceful and warlike purposes. With a greatly increased acreage devoted to cotton, the continued spread of the boll-weevil pest in the Southern States, together with prolonged rains and disastrous floods, causes a serious curtailment of the crop. The production of cotton lint in the United States in 1916 was estimated by the Department of Agriculture at 11,511,000 bales, as compared with 11,191,820 bales in 1915 and an average of 14,259,000 bales in the five years 1910-1914. A record crop of over 16,000,000 bales was raised in 1914. The consumption of American cotton during the season of 1916-17 is estimated in some quarters at 14,750,000 bales, and during the preceding season at 14,812,000 bales. If these estimates are accepted, this makes a total for the two seasons of 29,562,000 bales, or nearly 7,000,000 bales more than the combined crops of 1915 and 1916. The estimated American consumption for the season is put by some at 7,000,000 to 7,500,000 bales, against 7,279,311 bales last season and 6,009,207 bales in 1914-15. The consumption of linters, largely to make guncotton and other explosives, is said to have increased enormously, the quantity used last season being reported as 881,343 bales, whereas before the war it was only 200,000 to 300,000 bales. The dearthness of wool, silk, flax, and leather is also said to be a factor in stimulating cotton consumption. Exports in the calendar year 1916 totaled 7,007,794 bales, as compared with 8,358,992 bales in 1915 and 6,320,485 bales in 1914.

*Flaxseed.*—Flaxseed, with a larger yield in 1916 than in 1915, commanded a much higher price. The total yield for the year was estimated at 15,459,000 bushels, as compared with 14,030,000 bushels in 1915 and an average of 18,353,000 bushels in the preceding five years. Exports for the year were negligible. The average price for the year for No. 1 flaxseed in the Minneapolis market, computed from the range of prices on the 1st of each month, was \$2.2283 per bushel, as against \$1.7940 in 1915, \$1.5251 in 1914, and \$1.3490 in 1913. Prices were lowest on July 1 (\$1.77 to \$1.81 per bushel) and highest on December 1 (\$2.76½ to \$2.81½ per bushel).

*Barley.*—The barley crop of 1916 was below the average. The estimate of 180,927,000 bushels made by the Department of Agriculture was 20.9 per cent below the yield of 1915, the record year, and 2.8 per cent below the average for 1910-1914. During the first half of the year prices showed a downward tendency but reacted sharply in the second half, as the shortage in stocks became apparent.

Fair to good or standard grade malting barley in Chicago reached the lowest point of the year in the last week of February, when it sold at 67 to 68 cents per bushel. The highest price level was reached in the third week of November, when the same grade sold at \$1.14 to \$1.21 per bushel. The average price for the year in Chicago, as computed from the range of prices on one day of each week, was \$0.8674 per bushel, as compared with \$0.7037 in 1915, \$0.6151 in 1914, and \$0.6253 in 1913.

*Corn.*—Drought and extreme heat cut down the yield of corn in 1916 to 2,583,241,000 bushels, a decrease of 411,552,000 bushels from the 1915 crop and of 149,216,000 bushels from the average for the five years from 1910 to 1914. The quantity of merchantable corn produced in 1916, however, was estimated as being 2 per cent greater than in 1915. Exports of corn during the 12 months ending with December, 1916, amounted to 53,543,227 bushels, as against 48,263,642 bushels in 1915 and only 15,626,149 bushels in 1914.

Prices of corn ruled higher in 1916 than in any other year since the collection of data for the present series of prices dating back to 1890 was begun. While slight declines took place in the first half of the year, the second half witnessed marked advances. Cash corn of contract grade in Chicago reached its highest level of \$1.05 to \$1.06 per bushel in the last week of October. The lowest point for the year, 70 to 70½ cents per bushel, was reached near the end of May.

*Oats.*—Like most other cereals, the yield of oats in 1916 was below that of the preceding year. The production was estimated at 1,251,992,000 bushels, or 297,038,000 bushels less than in 1915. It was, however, above the average for the five-year period 1910–1914. Exports for the year were somewhat smaller than in 1915, but nearly three times as great as in 1914.

The large carryover from 1915 offset the shrinkage in the 1916 crop and supplies were said to be ample at all times. The visible supply in the Middle West continued to increase from harvest time until late in December, reaching large proportions. This was undoubtedly due in large measure to embargoes which prevented shipments to the eastern seaboard.

As measured by the closing price for cash oats of contract grades in the Chicago market on Tuesday of each week, this commodity averaged less in 1916 than in the preceding year. Prices behaved erratically in the early months of the year, touching the low point of 38½ cents per bushel early in July. From this point prices advanced until a maximum of 56 cents was reached in November.

*Rye.*—The estimated production of rye in 1916 was 47,383,000 bushels, a decrease of 6,667,000 bushels from the 1915 crop, which was the record yield. Prices of rye in Chicago in the closing months

of the year were the highest ever recorded, exceeding those of the corresponding period in the previous year by about 40 per cent. The lowest level was reached late in February, No. 2, cash, in track lots, selling at 90 cents per bushel. After this prices advanced rapidly, with slight decreases, until the highest point for the year was reached in the last week of November, the quotation on No. 2, cash, being \$1.52 per bushel. In December prices declined somewhat, but the average for the month was above that for any previous month except November.

*Wheat.*—As estimated by the Department of Agriculture, the total yield of wheat in 1916 was 639,886,000 bushels, as compared with 1,025,801,000 bushels in 1915, a decrease of 37.6 per cent. The crop was smaller by 12.1 per cent than the five-year average from 1910 to 1914. The production of spring wheat was less than half that of 1915. Exports of wheat for the calendar year were considerably smaller than for either 1914 or 1915.

Early in 1916, after a series of advances, prices declined as the new winter wheat crop neared harvest. The lowest price level was reached in June, and July when No. 2 hard winter wheat at Kansas City sold at less than \$1 per bushel. The appearance of black rust in the spring wheat territory in July together with a period of exceptionally hot weather, caused an immediate and rapid increase in prices at all wheat centers, in some instances doubling in five months. In November prices reached their climax, northern spring wheat, cash, No. 1, at Minneapolis selling as high as \$2 per bushel. These prices are said to be the highest since the period immediately following the Civil War. December prices were somewhat lower, but the year closed with wheat in all the principal centers selling at prices unequaled in recent years.

*Hay.*—The 1916 tame hay crop was above that of the preceding year, being estimated at 89,991,000 tons as against 85,920,000 tons in 1915, which was a record yield. Exports were smaller than in 1915, but nearly three times as great as in 1914. Hay values during 1916 were somewhat irregular, advancing in the spring months, declining in the summer and early fall, and advancing again late in the year. Timothy, No. 1, hay in Chicago averaged slightly higher in price than during the preceding year, but the high level attained in August, 1915, was not duplicated. The highest price of \$20 per ton was reached in April and May, and the lowest price (\$11) in July.

*Hides and calfskins.*—Imports of cattle hides during 1916 were 12,550,744 pieces, as compared with 11,286,436 pieces in 1915 and 7,743,303 pieces in 1914. The number of calfskins imported in 1916 also showed an increase, being 7,939,173 pieces, as against 6,020,381 pieces in the preceding year. No figures are available to show the

production of domestic hides in 1916, but the increased number of animals slaughtered under Federal meat inspection indicates that the output of packers' hides and calfskins in 1916 was considerably above that of the year before.

Notwithstanding these increases, unprecedented prices for hides were reached in 1916. The abnormal conditions that prevailed during 1915 continued and were intensified in 1916. The enormous business in leather stimulated a demand for raw material such as never before existed in this country and the requirements of tanners were at all times well in excess of available supplies. Prices of packers' hides in Chicago were lowest in the early part of the year, when those taken from heavy native steers were quoted at 22 cents per pound, and those from heavy Texas steers at 19 cents. No. 1 country calfskins were also lowest at this time, selling at 22½ cents per pound in Chicago in February. From this period prices advanced steadily, with slight variations, until near the close of the year, when they reached the highest point in the history of the trade. Early in December heavy native steer hides in Chicago were quoted at 33 to 34 cents per pound, and No. 1 country calfskins at prices ranging as high as 60 cents per pound.

*Cattle.*—Figures compiled from stockyard sources show that cattle receipts at seven leading markets in 1916 were 9,320,059 head, an increase of 17 per cent over the arrivals of the previous year. This figure, of course, includes feeder and stock cattle as well as cattle intended for slaughter. Exports for the year were smaller than in 1915.

Prices of all grades of cattle nevertheless rose to new records in 1916. War demand was an important factor. Packers were behind with army contracts much of the time, which fact kept values up in the face of heavy marketing in the last half of the year, due to the drought which began in Texas early in the year and later extended into the corn belt, causing a partial failure of the corn crop and throwing thousands of young cattle into packers' hands that would otherwise have been reserved for the 1917 supply.

The lowest prices were recorded in February, choice to prime heavy steers selling at \$8.75 to \$9.50 per 100 pounds and good to choice corn-fed steers at \$7.85 to \$8.70 per 100 pounds in Chicago. As the year progressed prices advanced, the climax being reached in the closing months, when choice to prime heavy beefs sold above \$12 per 100 pounds in the Chicago market. Some declines took place in December, but prices at the end of the year were said to be the highest ever known at that period.

*Hogs.*—The combined hog receipts at seven principal markets in 1916 were reported at 25,344,895, a gain of more than 20 per cent

over the figures for the preceding year. While numbers were unprecedented, weight was deficient. At Chicago the average weight for the year was given as 210 pounds, against 219 pounds for the year before. This was said to be due to free marketing of pigs early in the year owing to frozen corn in the northern part of the belt and to the reluctance of feeders to mature the new hog crop in view of the high cost of corn.

Hog values in 1916 were said to be the highest since the Civil War. Notwithstanding the very high prices, packers experienced an unusually good year owing to the immense demand for hog products at home and abroad. Shipments of cured meats and lard from Chicago were reported as exceeding those of the previous year by more than 6 per cent. The lowest prices for live hogs were reached early in January, when they averaged less than \$7 per 100 pounds in the Chicago market. From that date a steady increase was recorded until September, when the average for both light and heavy grades was above \$10.75 per hundredweight. After September prices receded somewhat, but maintained a relatively high level to the end of the year.

*Sheep and lambs.*—The year's receipts of sheep at the seven chief markets were given as 11,637,108, as compared with 11,160,239 in 1915. In spite of this increase, prices ruled much higher than in the preceding year. From January until May there was a steady rise in the average monthly values of sheep in the Chicago market, the average for May being about 20 per cent above that for January. In June prices declined, but rose again in the fall and winter months.

As computed from the range of prices on one day of each week, native ewes averaged highest in May and lowest in July and August, while lambs and fed wethers averaged lowest in June and highest in December. In all classes a strong upward tendency was manifested toward the close of the year.

*Tobacco.*—The yield of tobacco in 1916 showed an increase of 8 per cent over the 1915 crop, being estimated at 1,150,622,000 pounds. Exports of leaf tobacco for the 12 months ending with December were somewhat in excess of the exports for 1915, and were considerably larger than in 1914.

In the Louisville market the offerings of leaf tobacco during 1916 were far behind those of the previous year, due to the comparatively short crop in that section in 1915. A marked improvement took place in the closing month of the year, however, as a result of the big crop of 1916 and the fancy prices ruling for it. Stocks at the close of 1916 were said to be the lightest on record. Throughout 1916 quotations on the better grades of Burley tobacco on the Louisville exchange were above those of 1915, a steady advance being recorded from the beginning to the end of the year. The average was about \$1.50 per 100 pounds above the 1915 price.



## FOOD, ETC.

*Butter, cheese, and milk.*—While exact figures are not available, it is believed that the butter production of 1916 was somewhat less than that of 1915, which was a record year with respect to quantity. The intensely hot weather which began in July and extended through a good part of the summer adversely affected pastures and feeding costs generally and served to check supplies. In addition, large quantities of butter are said to have been taken by Canadian buyers across the northern border for shipment to England. These conditions tended to lessen receipts at points in the Middle West. At Chicago the receipts were said to be about 6 per cent below those of 1915. At San Francisco also receipts were below those of 1915. On the other hand, the arrivals at New York and Boston were reported as exceeding those of the year before by a substantial margin. The quantity of American butter sent abroad has greatly increased in recent years. During the calendar year 1914 there were exported 3,687,657 pounds. In 1915 exports were 17,942,735 pounds, and in 1916 they were 26,561,302 pounds. During these three years extra creamery butter in New York averaged 29.93 cents, 29.88 cents, and 34.09 cents, respectively. In spite of the high cost, the home consumption of butter in 1916 appears to have run far ahead of earlier years and the stocks of butter in storage at the end of the year were said to be considerably smaller than at the end of 1915. Butter prices generally in 1916 averaged much higher than in 1915 and in practically all markets were far in excess of any previous record. In Chicago and New York the average for extra creamery butter was over 14 per cent above the average for 1915. In other cities and on other grades of butter proportionate increases were recorded.

Cheese prices also averaged much higher in 1916 than in the preceding year. Like butter, prices declined in the first half of the year, but increased rapidly in the second half to the highest level ever recorded. In Chicago prices for each month were considerably above those of 1915, American twins in November averaging about 8½ cents per pound higher than in November, 1915. In New York fancy whole milk cheese was slightly cheaper in May and June than in the corresponding period in 1915, but the average for other months was much higher. Fancy California flats at San Francisco sold higher throughout the year than in 1915, except in October, when the average was the same. The quantity of cheese held in 247 storages at the end of 1916 was shown by Government reports to be nearly 4,000,000 pounds less than at the end of 1915. Exports for the 12 months ending with December totaled 54,092,585 pounds, as compared with 62,953,029 pounds in 1915 and 3,797,450 pounds in 1914.

Prices of fresh milk in New York and Chicago showed slight increases in 1916 over the prices in 1915. In San Francisco the

averages for the two years were practically the same. In the New York market decided price increases took place toward the close of 1916, the cost per can of 40 quarts advancing from \$1.46 in September to \$2.09 in December, an increase of 43 per cent. Exports of condensed milk increased from 22,831,904 pounds in 1914 to 75,689,584 pounds in 1915 and 219,444,018 pounds in 1916.

*Eggs.*—In all of the markets from which the bureau collected wholesale prices, eggs were higher in 1916 than in 1915. The highest price level was reached in the third week of December, when fresh gathered firsts at New York sold as high as 49 cents per dozen. The same grade sold as low as 20½ cents during the third week of April. Fresh firsts at Chicago reached the low point of 18½ cents per dozen in March and the high point of 41 cents in December. In all markets prices declined during the first few months of the year and rose rapidly during the remaining months.

Receipts of eggs at the principal markets appear to have been smaller in 1916 than in the preceding year, while exports were considerably larger. Reports from 261 storages show that holdings at the end of the year totaled 876,790 cases, as compared with 1,507,720 cases at the close of 1915, a decrease of 41.8 per cent.

*Flour.*—Rye and wheat flour prices made rapid advances during the year. Rye flour (medium straight) at Minneapolis began the year at \$4.50 per barrel and reached the high level of \$7.80 per barrel in November, an increase of 73 per cent. Standard patent wheat flour in the same market reached its low level (\$5.50 per barrel) in June and its high point (\$10.50 per barrel) in the first week in November, an increase of 90 per cent. While the range of prices for the year showed large gains, the average prices for the year were only about 50 cents per barrel above those for 1915, due to the comparatively low prices prevailing during the first half of 1916. The high prices toward the end of the year were the result of the short wheat crop and the consequent high prices of that commodity.

Exports of wheat flour for the year were 14,379,000 barrels, as compared with 15,662,400 barrels in 1915 and 12,769,073 in 1914.

*Fruit.*—The apple crop of 1916 was above the average for the period 1910 to 1914, but was below the yield in either of the past two years, being 67,415,000 barrels as compared with 76,670,000 barrels in 1915 and 84,400,000 barrels in 1914, the record year. The average price for Baldwin apples in Chicago, as computed from the range of prices on Tuesday of each week, was \$3.1678 per barrel, as compared with \$2.7750 per barrel in 1915. Prices for the year were lowest in January (\$2.50 to \$3 per barrel) and highest in October (\$3.50 to \$4 per barrel).

California lemons in the Chicago market averaged considerably higher in price in 1916 than in 1915, while oranges were slightly

cheaper. Lemons reached the low point of the year (\$2 to \$2.25 per box) in March and the high point (\$7.25 to \$7.75) in August, while oranges were lowest in February and in May (\$2 to \$2.25 per box) and highest (\$4.75 to \$5.75 per box) in October and November. The production of oranges in 1916 was placed at 23,835,000 boxes, as compared with 21,200,000 boxes in 1915.

The imports of bananas during the year were smaller than in 1915, being 35,385,291 bunches as compared with 38,230,310 bunches in the preceding year. Prices in New York City were very much higher, advancing from 50 to 60 cents per bunch in January to \$1.15 to \$1.30 per bunch in July. The average price for the year was 12.7 per cent higher than in 1915. Dried fruits, including apples, prunes, and raisins, were lower in 1916 than in 1915. Currants, on the other hand, were much higher, showing an increase of 60.7 per cent above the average price for 1915, due to the short crop and the prevailing high ocean freight rates. Imports of currants during the year were only 16,055,623 pounds, as compared with 25,240,218 pounds in 1915.

*Meats.*—Prices of all meat products ruled high in 1916. This was particularly true of hog products, which reached price levels said to be unequalled since the Civil War. As measured by the average prices computed for January and December, bacon (short clear sides) increased from 12.3 cents to 15.9 cents per pound, smoked hams from 15.9 cents to 19.9 cents per pound, prime contract lard from 10.4 cents to 16.8 cents per pound, and salt mess pork from \$19.75 to \$31.75 per barrel. Prices of fresh beef at New York and Chicago showed considerable gains in summer, but declined somewhat later in the year. Mutton and lamb also rose in price in summer and declined to some extent in the fall. The highest prices for veal in New York were reached in December.

Exports of beef and hog products have been unusually large in the last two years because of war conditions. During the 12 months ending with December, 1916, the exports of fresh beef totaled 181,979,031 pounds, with 262,813,397 pounds in 1915, as compared with only 31,422,463 pounds in 1914. Export statistics for hog products show that 592,617,529 pounds of bacon were sent abroad in 1916 and 524,138,245 pounds in 1915, as against 184,267,850 pounds in 1914. Of fresh pork, 55,172,868 pounds were exported in 1916; 24,230,183 pounds in 1915; and 1,250,977 pounds in 1914. Hams and shoulders and pickled pork also showed large increases. The heavy exports of these articles in the last two years could hardly have failed to influence prices in this country.

*Rice.*—Rice is one of the few food commodities that has not increased in price in recent years. The production in 1916 was 45 per cent larger than in 1915, which was the previous record crop.

The estimate of the Department of Agriculture for 1916 was 41,982,000 bushels, as compared with 28,947,000 bushels for 1915. Honduras head rice in New Orleans showed an average for the year, based on one quotation a month, of 4.54 cents per pound, as compared with 4.76 cents per pound in 1915, a decrease of 4.6 per cent. There were only slight fluctuations in the wholesale prices of rice throughout the year. Prices increased slightly in the early months, declining in the summer and fall, and rising again late in the year to the level of those of the preceding year.

*Sugar.*—Prices of sugar averaged higher in 1916 than in any year since the collection of prices by the bureau was begun. Compared with 1915, granulated sugar increased nearly 24 per cent in price, while raw sugar increased nearly 25 per cent. A strong upward tendency was manifested during the first five months of the year, the prices of granulated following in a general manner the fluctuations in raw sugar. In June prices receded slightly and continued to decline until September. October recorded a small increase, with further declines in the closing months of the year. The low point of the year for granulated sugar in New York (5.64 cents per pound) was reached during the second week of January, and for raw sugar (4.52 cents per pound), during the same week. The high point for granulated sugar (7.50 cents per pound) was reached in May and continued into July. Raw sugar was highest (6.65 cents per pound) in the last week of October.

Among the causes operating to produce high prices of sugar in 1916 are said to be the depletion of sugar stocks in the various countries of the world, due to the effects of war, and the fact that the relatively high prices prevailing throughout 1915 had left planters and sugar dealers in a prosperous condition, so that in 1916 they were not forced to market their sugar any more rapidly than they desired. Another possible factor was the heavy exports of refined sugar, which amounted to 1,576,652,297 pounds, as against 963,574,977 pounds in 1915 and 390,409,054 pounds in 1914. The late start of the beet harvest in the Middle West, due to an unfavorable growing season, limited beet sugar supplies and caused prices to advance during the period from September to November.

The per capita consumption of sugar in the United States in 1916 was estimated at 79.34 pounds, against 83.83 pounds in 1915, and 84.29 pounds in 1914. In 1913 this estimate was 85.4 pounds. The decrease in consumption is directly attributable to the higher prices that have prevailed since 1913.

*Vegetables.*—Enormous increases in the average price of the principal vegetables took place in 1916 as compared with 1915. Potatoes, of which the crop produced in 1916 was estimated to be 21 per cent less than the 1915 crop, were 144 per cent higher in the Chicago

market. Cabbage, with a decrease of about 63 per cent in the quantity produced, averaged about 95 per cent more in price in New York City. Onions, with a decrease of about 16 per cent from the 1915 yield, averaged nearly 120 per cent more in price in Chicago.

Good to choice potatoes in Chicago reached their lowest price level in the third week of April, when sales were recorded at 65 to 85 cents per bushel. The average price for April, as computed from weekly quotations, was 84½ cents. During the latter months of the year prices rose steeply, reaching their highest level in November, when some lots brought as much as \$1.70 per bushel. The average price of good to choice potatoes for the year, based on the spread of prices on one day of each week in the Chicago market, was \$1.1108 per bushel, as compared with \$0.4548 in 1915.

Cabbage prices during the year were subject to extreme fluctuations, being lowest in the early months and reaching unprecedentedly high levels in December. No quotations for cabbage were available for the period from the middle of May to the middle of September. Onions in Chicago were lowest in May and highest in December.

Canned vegetables likewise showed large price increases in 1916. New York standard corn increased from 75 cents to \$1.25 per dozen between August and November. Peas of the brand for which prices were taken increased from an average of 71½ cents per dozen in August to \$1.02½ in December. Standard New Jersey tomatoes (No. 3) increased from \$1.15 per dozen in August to \$1.50 per dozen in October. These figures are believed to be indicative of the price increases in canned goods generally. Exports of canned vegetables in 1916 were valued at \$3,395,784, as compared with \$2,324,998 in 1915 and \$1,587,359 in 1914.

Beans of choice medium grade in New York advanced rapidly in price in 1916 to a point far above any previous record, due to the short crop and heavy demand for export. The 1916 production of dry beans was estimated at 8,846,000 bushels, as against 10,321,000 bushels in 1915. Exports were much heavier than in 1915. As measured by quotations on the first of each month, choice beans were lowest in March, when they sold at \$6.60 per 100 pounds, and highest in December, when they had advanced to \$12 per 100 pounds, an increase of nearly 82 per cent.

#### CLOTHS AND CLOTHING.

*Cotton goods.*—Following closely the high prices of the raw materials, cotton fabrics of all descriptions advanced rapidly in price during 1916. With few exceptions prices in January were the lowest and those in December the highest of the year. Among the articles showing decided price increases between January 1 and December 1 were: Cotton bags, 67 per cent; cotton blankets, 45 per cent; calico,

38 per cent; cotton flannel ( $2\frac{3}{4}$  yards to the pound), 47 per cent; 10/1 cotton yarns, 83 per cent; brown drillings, 56 per cent; percale, 67 per cent; and print cloths, 60 per cent. A greatly expanded demand for cotton yarns for tire and duck purposes is said to have revolutionized trade and doubled prices on many numbers. Exports of cotton manufacturers during the 12 months ending with December, 1916, were valued at \$129,348,681, as compared with \$95,833,456 in 1915 and \$50,092,993 in 1914.

*Leather.*—Tanners of leather experienced a year of unusual activity in 1916. The great demand from the warring countries of Europe, coupled with a heavy domestic trade, sent prices to the highest point recorded since the collection of the present series of wholesale prices was begun. Based on one quotation in each month, chrome calf (B grade) sold at 70 to 75 cents per square foot in December as compared with 28 to 34 cents in January. No. 1 California oak harness leather advanced from 46 cents per pound in the early months to 64 cents in December. Hemlock sole leather (No. 1 middles) rose from 32 to 33 cents per pound in January to 57 cents in December, and oak sole leather (heavy scoured backs) from 52 to 54 cents per pound in January to 82 to 85 cents in December.

Exports of sole leather for the year were 90,481,568 pounds, as compared with 81,006,837 pounds in 1915 and 51,832,030 pounds in 1914. Exports of upper and other kinds of leather showed proportionate increases.

*Boots and shoes.*—Unprecedented prices and rapid advances characterized the boot and shoe market during 1916, due to the scarcity and high cost of raw materials. Prices rose steadily throughout the year, the lowest being in January and the highest in December. Some makes of shoes increased 50 per cent in price during the year. Exports of boots and shoes in 1916 were considerably more than in 1915 and nearly double the exports of 1914, being 19,477,808 pairs, as compared with 16,949,322 pairs in 1915 and 9,925,586 pairs in 1914.

*Wool and woolen goods.*—The wool clip in 1916 was estimated at 288,490,000 pounds, compared with 285,726,000 pounds in 1915, 290,192,000 pounds in 1914, and 296,175,000 pounds in 1913, the record year. The average price received by producers for unwashed wool was about 27.6 cents per pound as compared with 22.8 cents in 1915, 18.4 cents in 1914, and 15.7 cents in 1913. Washed wool in the eastern markets increased steadily in price during most of 1916, the lowest prices being recorded in January and the highest in December. On the two grades for which prices were obtained advances of 17 and 19 per cent, respectively, were made in the average prices for the year over those for 1915. Reduced to the scoured wool basis, the price of Ohio fleece wool, one-fourth and three-eighths grades, stood

at 72.86 cents per pound on December 1, which was far above the highest point registered in any preceding year.

Following the raw wool prices, all woolen materials averaged much higher in 1916 than in 1915. Of the fabrics for which prices were collected, the greatest increases between the two years were shown for broadcloth, clay worsted suitings, French and storm serge dress goods, and worsted yarns. Practically all woolen goods advanced steadily in price during 1916, the year closing with figures at their top level. Comparing January with December, the greatest price increases are shown for wool blankets, 20 per cent; broadcloth, 22 per cent; 15-ounce middlesex suitings, 40 per cent; 11-ounce serge suitings, 30 per cent; 21-22-ounce trousering, 28 per cent; storm serge, 21 per cent; 2-40s worsted yarns, 38 per cent; and 2-32s worsted yarns, 36 per cent. Price averages for 1916 were in every instance above those for any previous year. Imports of clothing wool in 1916 were 356,400,729 pounds, as against 295,564,838 pounds in 1915, and 147,690,922 pounds in 1914. Exports of woolen wearing apparel were valued at \$10,515,599, as compared with \$16,267,645 in 1915, and \$4,676,424 in 1914.

*Silk.*—Raw silk in 1916 averaged considerably higher than in any year since 1890, with the exception of 1907, when Japan filatures silk (Kansai No. 1) was slightly above the 1916 average. The opening of the year found the market in an unsettled condition, due to the high prices prevailing at the close of 1915. Prices of Japan filatures silk in January were slightly below those prevailing at the close of 1915, while prices of Italian silk were higher. As measured by prices near the first of each month, both kinds advanced in February, with a further advance for Japan filatures in March. Prices of the latter grade then declined rapidly during the next three months, reaching in June the low level for the year. Substantial advances were then made each month until the close of the year, with the exception of a slight recession in September. The high points of the year were reached in March and November. The prices of classical Italian silk did not fluctuate quite so violently, but showed a much larger increase for the year, being 64 per cent above the average price for 1915, while Japan filatures silk was 47 per cent above the 1915 average. Imports of raw silk and waste in 1916 approximated 41,000,000 pounds, compared with 37,000,000 pounds in 1915 and 31,000,000 pounds in 1914.

#### FUEL AND LIGHTING.

*Coal.*—As shown by reports of the United States Geological Survey, coal production records were smashed in 1916, when the output was around 597,000,000 tons, compared with 570,000,000 tons in 1913, the previous high record. The quantity of bituminous coal mined was estimated as 509,000,000 tons, an increase compared with 1915 of

66,500,000 tons, or 15 per cent. The quantity of Pennsylvania anthracite produced was about 88,312,000 net tons, a decrease of 600,000 tons. Exports of bituminous coal in 1916 amounted to 18,977,346 tons, against 16,764,857 tons in 1915 and 13,801,850 tons in 1914. These figures do not include fuel or bunker coal laden on vessels engaged in foreign trade, which aggregated between 7 and 8 million tons in each year. Anthracite coal exports increased from 3,830,244 tons in 1914 and 3,540,406 tons in 1915 to 4,165,679 tons in 1916.

The large increase in the quantity of bituminous coal mined in 1916 was insufficient to keep up with the increased consumption. It is estimated that the railroads of the country ordinarily consume from 125,000,000 to 150,000,000 tons in the course of the year. In 1916, however, when the movement of merchandise of every character was of such magnitude, it is believed that the quantity of railroad coal used must have approached the 200,000,000 mark. In the coke industry, also, it is estimated that one-third more coal was used than in the preceding year. In all grades of fuel, from steam coal for industrial use up to the highest quality for domestic purposes, the consumption in 1916 was greatly in excess of that in previous years.

Prices of bituminous coal in 1916 remained at about the same level as in former years until August and September, after which they advanced rapidly until the close of the year. In some instances prices were doubled in the last five months. Pittsburgh run-of-the-mine coal in Cincinnati increased from \$2.20 per ton in August to \$4.50 per ton in December. In the same time New River smokeless coal increased from \$2.60 to \$6.10 per ton. Pocahontas coal at Norfolk increased from \$3.25 per ton in August to \$6 per ton in December. A serious shortage of cars is believed to have been a factor in the price increases toward the end of the year. Prices of anthracite coal at tidewater (New York Harbor) showed only moderate advances during the year.

*Coke.*—The output of coke in the United States in 1916 broke all previous records. As estimated by the Geological Survey, the total production amounted to 54,300,000 tons, as compared with 41,600,000 tons in 1915, an increase of 30 per cent. Of this quantity 35,000,000 tons was beehive coke, an increase of 27 per cent over the production in 1915 and 500,000 tons more than was produced in 1910, the previous record year. By-product coke increased 36 per cent over the 1915 output and amounted to about 19,200,000 tons. Exports of coke were 1,048,790 tons, compared with 799,562 tons in 1915 and 592,487 tons in 1914. Prices of Connellsville furnace coke at ovens, range of spot and contract prices, fluctuated moderately during the first eight months of the year, the low point being reached in May. Prices then advanced rapidly, and at the close of the year were double those in January,



following closely the high prices prevailing for bituminous coal. So much of the coke output has been under contract that the returns to manufacturers are said not to have been in line with the spot price, but at the same time it was found that the contract price was very much above the price prevailing when contracts were entered into in 1915.

*Petroleum.*—The quantity of crude petroleum produced and marketed in 1916 was in excess of any previous record, being estimated by the Geological Survey at 292,300,000 barrels, or 4 per cent more than the output in 1915. In addition to the quantity of oil marketed, several million barrels were produced and placed in temporary field storage in Kansas and Oklahoma. Exports during the year were considerably larger than in 1914 or 1915.

The price of Pennsylvania crude petroleum at the wells advanced from \$2.25 per barrel on January 1 to \$2.60 on April 1, which price was maintained until July. By August 1 the price had dropped to \$2.50 per barrel and by September 1 to \$2.30 per barrel. Prices then advanced again, the quotation for November and December being \$2.60 per barrel.

Prices of refined petroleum for export at New York advanced from 8.65 cents per gallon in January to 9.10 cents in August. A decline then took place, 8.35 cents per gallon being the price from October to December. Water-white refined oil at New York showed only one price change in 1916, dropping from 13 cents to 12 cents per gallon between February and March. The quantity of refined oil exported in 1916 varied little from that of the previous year, and approximated one-third of the total production.

*Gasoline.*—As computed from quotations on the first Saturday of each month, the average price of motor gasoline to garages in New York increased from 13.83 cents per gallon in 1915 to 23 cents in 1916. The price of 21 cents in January was slightly above the high level reached at the close of 1915. In February there was another advance of 1 cent per gallon, and in March the price went to 24 cents, this price prevailing until August. In September there was a decline of 1 cent per gallon, with a further drop to 22 cents in October. This price was maintained during the remainder of the year, giving a net increase between January and December of 5 per cent.

No reliable statistics of gasoline production in 1916 are yet available. It is believed, however, that with the adoption in 1916 by numerous manufacturers of the Rittman process of producing gasoline from crude petroleum the output was equal to or greater than that of 1915, which was estimated at 41,600,000 barrels. The amount exported in 1915 was 6,500,000 barrels, leaving a difference of 35,100,000 barrels for consumption in this country. These figures compare with an available difference between production and exports

of 11,260,000 barrels in 1909 and 6,326,000 barrels in 1904, illustrating the rapid growth of gasoline consumption in this country. The quantity of gasoline exported in 1916 was 49 per cent greater than in 1915.

The recent extraordinary rise in the price of gasoline is believed to be attributable to a variety of causes, among which are the greatly increased consumption, the increase in exports, the depletion of gasoline stocks due to increased domestic and export demands, the decreased production of crude oil containing a large percentage of gasoline, the increase in the price of crude oil, and financial influences.<sup>1</sup>

#### METALS.

*Copper.*—With respect to production, consumption, and high prices, the year 1916 has never been equaled in the copper industry of the country. The output of blister and Lake copper from domestic ores was estimated by the Geological Survey as 1,928,000,000 pounds, against 1,388,000,000 pounds in 1915, the record year. The total output of refined copper (electrolytic, Lake, casting, and pig) from primary sources, domestic and foreign, was estimated at 2,311,000,000 pounds, compared with 1,634,000,000 pounds in 1915. At an average price of about 27 cents a pound the production for 1916 has a value of \$520,000,000, compared with \$242,900,000 for the 1915 output at the price then prevailing.

At the beginning of 1916 there were said to be about 82,400,000 pounds of refined copper in stock in the United States. This quantity added to the refinery production gives a total available supply of about 2,393,400,000 pounds of refined copper. On adding to this the imports of 8,400,000 pounds and subtracting the exports of 716,700,000 pounds, there is shown a supply available for domestic consumption of about 1,685,000,000 pounds. This amount is materially greater than the estimated supply for 1915.

The year opened with electrolytic copper at New York quoted at 22.88 cents per pound, on the first Wednesday of January. During the first five months prices advanced rapidly, reaching 28.50 cents early in May. A downward tendency developed in June, lasting into August, when 26 cents was reached. From September to the end of the year prices rose again, a maximum of 34.50 cents being reached on the first Wednesday in December. The price level attained near the close of 1916 is said to be the highest since 1873. The highest on record was 55 cents in 1864. The lowest was 9 cents in 1894.

Prices of sheet copper and wire followed closely those of ingot copper throughout the year, mounting steadily upward and reaching

<sup>1</sup> See Report of the Secretary of the Interior to the United States Senate, Feb. 2, 1916, published as Senate Document No. 310.

a point in December above that attained in many years. Compared with the January price, sheet copper in December had advanced 38 per cent and copper wire (No. 8, B. & S. gauge and heavier) 47 per cent.

*Lead.*—The 1916 output of refined lead, desilverized and soft, from domestic and foreign ores was estimated at 579,600 tons, worth at the average New York price \$78,826,000, compared with 550,055 tons, worth \$51,705,000 in 1915, and with 542,122 tons, worth \$42,286,000 in 1914. Imports of lead in 1916 were about 35,800 tons, compared with 51,496 tons in 1915. Exports of lead of foreign origin showed a great decrease, being estimated at 9,350 tons, against 38,445 tons in 1915, and 31,051 tons in 1914. For the last three years notable quantities of domestic lead have been exported to Europe, the total for 1916 being put at 108,200 tons and for 1915 at 87,092 tons. The quantity of lead available for consumption in 1916 was estimated at 471,200 tons, compared with 426,751 tons in 1915.

The price of desilverized pig lead at New York on the first Wednesday of each month showed wide variations during 1916. The lowest point (5.50 cents per pound) was reached in January and the highest point (8 cents per pound) in April. After this prices declined, reaching 6.10 cents in August, then advancing again to 7.30 cents in December. The average price for the year was 6.80 cents per pound, compared with 4.59 cents in 1915 and 3.89 cents in 1914. Large sales of lead for export to Russia and Japan are said to have caused the large price increase in April.

Lead pipe prices in 1916 naturally followed those of pig lead. The lowest price, \$6.13 per 100 pounds, was reported for January and the highest price, \$8.82 per 100 pounds, for April and May. The average price for the year was 43 per cent above the average for 1915 and 68 per cent above that for 1914.

*Pig iron.*—Production of pig iron made a new record in 1916, with a total of over 39,000,000 gross tons, compared with 29,916,213 tons in 1915 and 30,966,152 tons in the record year, 1913. Exports were 612,241 tons, against 224,509 tons in 1915 and 114,423 tons in 1914.

Pig iron prices fluctuated within narrow limits in the first half of 1916. The year opened with prices of all kinds somewhat higher than in the closing month of 1915. Foundry and basic pig iron declined to some extent in the spring and summer, while Bessemer advanced slightly. In September, prices started upward with rapid bounds, which continued to the end of the year. In December, basic pig iron at the valley furnace averaged \$30 per ton as compared with \$17.81 in January; Bessemer pig iron at Pittsburgh averaged \$35.58 per ton as compared with \$21.58 in January; and No. 2 southern

foundry pig iron at Cincinnati averaged \$25.90 per ton as compared with \$17.90 per ton in January.

Strikes of molders in various cities, in an effort to obtain a general eight-hour day, are said to have curtailed considerably the consumption of foundry pig iron and exerted a depressing influence on prices in the spring and summer. The supply of basic pig iron was for months fully up to, if not in excess of, consumptive requirements. The large stocks of pig iron acquired at low prices in 1915 also served to keep prices down. These influences continued until European buying of pig iron assumed large proportions in the fall months. The fear of an approaching scarcity of pig iron, which followed the European buying, caused heavy placing of orders for far forward delivery and, together with an advance of \$1.50 per ton in the cost of Lake Superior iron ore for the season of 1917, carried prices to an unprecedented level late in the year.

*Quicksilver.*—The domestic output of quicksilver in 1916 was 38 per cent greater in quantity and 99 per cent greater in value than in 1915, being estimated at 28,942 flasks of 75 pounds each and valued at \$3,643,800. This was the largest production since 1905 and, except for 1875, was the most valuable in the history of the domestic industry. Quicksilver exported in 1916 was 666,027 pounds, against 252,852 pounds in 1915 and 108,426 pounds in 1914.

The prices prevailing in the first three months of 1916, when New York quotations advanced to \$4 per pound, are said to be the highest ever reached in the history of the industry. These were due to large demands resulting from war conditions, which greatly increased domestic use and caused a virtual exhaustion of the available supply of metal. Difficulty of effecting deliveries from the domestic producing districts added to the shortage. After the first few months the supply became more normal and prices gradually declined throughout the remainder of the year. The December price (\$1.05 per pound) was 74 per cent lower than the high price reached in February and March.

*Steel products.*—The steel industry in 1916 surpassed all previous records in volume of trade and high prices. Manufacturing establishments were run to the limit of their capacity and in many instances new mills were constructed without catching up with the demand for materials. The value of iron and steel products exported in 1916 was more than double that of 1915, and more than four times the value of the 1914 exports.

For the first time within 14 years steel rails changed in price, one advance being recorded in June, and another in December. Structural steel, plates, and steel sheets advanced rapidly during the year due in a large measure to the extraordinary activity in shipbuilding. Shipyards here and abroad took contracts for ships covering their

entire capacity for 1917, and in some instances a part of 1918, and at higher prices than those in effect at the close of 1916. The most pronounced price increases between January and December of 1916 were shown for Bessemer billets (80 per cent), tank plates (104 per cent), steel sheets (60 per cent), structural steel (45 per cent), Bessemer rails (36 per cent), open hearth rails (33 per cent), and barbed wire (23 per cent). The prices prevailing at the close of 1916 in most instances were the highest ever recorded.

*Tin.*—Tin is one of the few metals found only in limited quantities in this country. Imports of the metal in 1916 amounted to 138,073,293 pounds, as compared with 115,636,332 pounds in 1915, and 95,049,612 pounds in 1914. Restrictions imposed by foreign Governments upon shipments of tin strongly affected prices in this country, which fluctuated widely during the year.

Prices of pig tin during the first five months of the year made rapid advances, with the exception of a slight decline in February. As measured by the price at New York on the first Wednesday of each month, the highest level (51 cents per pound) was reached in May. In June, prices started downward and continued until August, when the low point of 38 cents a pound was reached. In September another upward movement was started which lasted until the end of the year.

*Zinc.*—Zinc records of production and value were again broken in 1916, the output of spelter from domestic and foreign ores being about 658,000 tons, worth about \$180,000,000 as compared with 489,519 tons, worth \$121,400,000 in 1915, the previous record year. Exports of spelter in 1916 are estimated at 210,500 tons, compared with 132,323 tons in 1915. The apparent domestic consumption, not including stocks held by dealers and consumers in 1916, was about 445,000 tons, against 364,382 tons consumed in 1915 and 299,130 tons in 1914.

Prices of spelter fluctuated widely during the year. During the first three months they showed an upward movement. In April they started downward and continued into September. During the last three months they again moved upward. As measured by the price on the first Wednesday of each month at New York the high price of the year (21 cents a pound) was reached in March and the low level (8.75 cents a pound) in September.

Sheet zinc prices also fluctuated widely during the year, showing an upward movement in the first five months, a downward movement from June to October, and a sharp advance in the last two months. The average price for the year at the works in Illinois, based on one quotation a month, was \$18.78 per hundred pounds, compared with \$16.16 in 1915. At no time during 1916, however, was the price as high as in July, 1915, when it reached \$24.84 per hundred pounds.

**DETAILED TABLES.**

The detailed statistical tables of this report are two in number, entitled as follows:

Table A.—Wholesale prices of commodities from January to December, 1916.

Table B.—Average wholesale prices of commodities for each year, 1890 to 1916, and for each month of 1916.

*Table A.—Wholesale prices of commodities from January to December, 1916, pages 61 to 129.*—This table shows in detail the actual prices from January to December, 1916, as obtained for the 342 commodities, or series of quotations, included in the present report. The net cash prices are given for textiles and all articles whose list prices are subject to large and varying discounts. In the cases of a few articles, however, such as plain wire, cut and wire nails, steel plates, steel sheets, etc., the prices of which are subject to a small discount for cash within 10 days, no deduction has been made.

In collecting prices for inclusion in the report the aim has been to secure quotations on those particular grades or qualities of an article that represent the bulk of sales within the class. Thus in the case of commodities classed as drugs or chemicals the lower quotations were selected where a range of prices was found, because of the fact that these are believed to represent the prices of large lots, while the higher quotations represent the prices of smaller lots. For the same reason eggs classed as "firsts" are now quoted instead of the "new laid" grade at one time carried, since it has been ascertained that "firsts" are relatively more important in the market. In the case of butter the quotations were enlarged in 1914 by the addition of several lower-priced grades not included before, but which were found to constitute a considerable part of the volume of butter sales.

The prefatory notes to the quotations published in the table state the date of the quotations and, if weekly, whether they are for some particular day of the week, the average for the week, or the range for the week. The majority of the weekly quotations show the price on Tuesday, but if for any reason the price was not obtainable on Tuesday or on the particular day stated, the first available price thereafter has been taken. The quotations from trade and other journals, when credited to the 1st of each month, also are not in all instances the price for the exact day stated. They are, however, the earliest prices for the month published in the journal from which the information is drawn.

The prefatory note to each series of quotations states in most instances the market in which the prices have been obtained. In the case of textiles and a few articles belonging to other groups, however, the prices shown are those for the general distributing

markets, such as Boston, New York, and Philadelphia. Where no market is mentioned in the prefatory note, therefore, it should be understood that the prices are for the general market.

In many localities the price of bread per loaf is not affected by slight changes in the price of flour, but the weight of the loaf is changed instead. For this reason the comparative prices of bread published in the second of these two detailed tables are based on a pound of dough before baking and not on the baked loaf. The first table shows the price per baked loaf and, in the prefatory note, the variation for the year in the weight of the dough before baking.

The price of eight-penny nails quoted in this report is, by the established nail card of the trade, uniformly 10 cents per 100 pounds higher than the base price, the price given in market quotations. For an explanation of the nail card the reader is referred to Bulletin No. 39, page 226.

The closing of the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges in 1914, following the outbreak of hostilities in Europe, made it impossible to obtain satisfactory price quotations for this staple during a part of that year. The average yearly prices reported for cotton in 1914 are therefore somewhat higher than would have been the case had they included quotations for the period of business demoralization during which the exchanges were closed.

The prices for the two grades of wool appearing in the report were obtained as for washed wool and then reduced to the scoured wool basis by increasing the price in proportion to the amount of shrinkage.

For all commodities the average price for the year was computed by dividing the sum of the quotations by the number of quotations. Where a range of prices was shown the mean price for each date was found and the sum of such means was divided by their number to give the average price for the year. For example, the sum of the 51 mean prices of No. 1 northern spring wheat at Minneapolis during 1916 (shown on page 64), was found to be \$71.9488. This total divided by 51 gives \$1.4108 as the average price for the year.

It is obvious that in order to arrive at a strictly scientific average price for the year one must know the precise quantity marketed and the price at which each unit of the quantity was sold. It is manifestly impossible to obtain such detail, and even if it were possible the labor and cost involved in such a compilation would be prohibitive. The method adopted here, which is the one usually employed in computing average prices, is believed to yield results quite satisfactory for all practical purposes.

*Table B.—Average wholesale prices of commodities for each year, 1890 to 1916, and for each month of 1916, pages 130 to 260.—This*

table shows, in addition to the average prices, the relative prices for each year or month; that is, the per cent that the average price in each year or month is of the average price for the 10 years from 1890 to 1899. In the line above the price for 1890 is given the average price for the 10-year period taken as the basis of comparison. For the 10 articles that do not show prices for the entire period of 10 years, the base in each case is the average for the years prior to and including 1899. No relative prices could be computed for articles added since the expiration of the base period, 1890-1899. The per cent of increase or decrease in the price for each year or month, as compared with the preceding year or month, is shown by the figures in the third column of the table.

It was impossible to secure quotations during one or more months in 1916 for 9 of the 342 articles, viz, buckwheat flour, fresh apples, bananas, raisins, cabbage, onions, lime, yellow-pine siding, and news-print paper. In such cases the average price for the year has been computed from the number of quotations actually obtained.

In the record of prices from 1890 to 1916, 232 series of quotations (including cases of substitution) have been presented for the entire period and an additional 136 for some portion of the period. Of the latter number, 26 articles have been discontinued, as follows: No quotations are shown for imported tin plate since 1898; for Ashton's salt since 1903; for beaver overcoatings since 1905; for sun-dried apples, nutmegs, blankets (cotton warp and wool filling), split boots, men's 84-needle hose, linen thread, all-wool chinchilla overcoatings, shawls, Atlantic brown sheetings, Hope bleached sheetings, and indigo 16-ounce suitings since 1907; for cotton-warp chinchilla overcoatings since 1908; for Vienna loaf bread and 89° refining sugar since 1911; for salt beef hams and Atlantic bleached sheetings since 1912; for horses and mules since 1913; and for children's shoes (4 quotations) and toilet soap since 1915. The prices of these 26 articles are not shown in any table of this report, but may be found in preceding bulletins on wholesale prices.



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916.

FARM PRODUCTS.

COTTON: Middling, at New Orleans.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Times-Picayune.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.1188 .1219 .1213 .1200	Apr....	\$0.1188 .1188 .1188 .1188	July...	\$0.1300 .1300 .1300 .1313	Oct.....	\$0.1600 .1619 .1731 .1850 .1813
Feb.....	.1156 .1162 .1156 .1125 .1113	May...	.1213 .1238 .1275 .1294 .1263	Aug....	.1313 .1382 .1400 .1450 .1538	Nov.....	.1838 .1938 .2025 .2038
Mar.....	.1138 .1182 .1200 .1188	June...	.1263 .1269 .1281 .1306	Sept...	.1563 .1475 .1538 .1550	Dec.....	.1963 .1800 .1538 .1725
						Average.	\$0.1410

COTTON: Upland, middling, at New York.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.1240 .1250 .1250 .1220	Apr....	\$0.1195 .1205 .1210 .1215	July...	\$0.1295 .1290 .1310 .1320	Oct.....	\$0.1670 .1730 .1815 .1930 .1915
Feb.....	.1195 .1210 .1195 .1195 .1195	May...	.1260 .1305 .1300 .1300 .1290	Aug....	.1335 .1440 .1430 .1490 .1575	Nov.....	.1905 .1995 .2090 .2035
Mar.....	.1165 .1200 .1200 .1210	June...	.1280 .1280 .1305 .1310	Sept...	.1595 .1330 .1315 .1595	Dec.....	.1990 .1835 .1780 .1690
						Average.	\$0.1447

FLAXSEED: No. 1, cash.

[Price per bushel of 56 pounds, at Minneapolis, on the first of each month; quotations from the Daily Market Record.]

Jan.....	\$2.15½-\$2.18½	Apr....	\$2.18-\$2.21½	July...	\$1.77-\$1.81	Oct.....	\$2.42-\$2.46
Feb.....	2.25-2.29½	May....	2.05½-2.09½	Aug....	2.08-2.12	Nov.....	2.61½-2.66½
Mar.....	2.29-2.33	June...	1.84½-1.88½	Sept....	2.07-2.11	Dec.....	2.76½-2.81½
						Average.	\$2.2283

GRAIN: Barley, fair to good or standard grade, malting, by sample.

[Price per bushel of 48 pounds, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan.....	\$0.70-\$0.75 .74-.77 .76-.78 .76-.79	Apr....	\$0.73-\$0.75 .72-.74 .71-.74 .71-.74	July...	\$0.75-\$0.77 .76-.78 .74-.76 .68-.73	Oct.....	\$0.98-\$1.09 .96-1.04 .96-1.04 1.08-1.14 1.09-1.14
Feb.....	.78-.80 .78-.80 .74-.75 .72-.73 .67-.68	May...	.75-.77 .75-.77 .75-.77 .73-.75 .73-.75	Aug....	.68-.76 .82-.85 .88-.95 .97-1.05 1.00-1.05	Nov.....	1.09-1.14 1.13-1.18 1.14-1.21 1.10-1.18
Mar.....	.69-.71 .73-.75 .72-.73 .71-.72	June...	.73-.75 .74-.77 .74-.77 .74-.76	Sept...	.96-1.02 1.00-1.08 1.00-1.07 1.00-1.10	Dec.....	1.08-1.13 1.07-1.11 1.06-1.10 1.05-1.09
						Average.	\$0.8674

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

## GRAIN: Corn, contract grades, cash.

[Price per bushel of 56 pounds shelled or 70 pounds in the ear, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.74 - \$0.75 .76 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .76 $\frac{3}{4}$ .77 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77 $\frac{3}{4}$	Apr....	\$0.76 - \$0.76 $\frac{1}{2}$ .75 - .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .76 $\frac{1}{2}$ .76 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77	July...	\$0.78 $\frac{1}{2}$ - \$0.78 $\frac{3}{4}$ .80 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .80 $\frac{3}{4}$ .80 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .80 $\frac{3}{4}$ .83 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .83 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oct....	\$0.88 $\frac{1}{2}$ - \$0.89 .88 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .89 .91 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .92 1.02 - 1.03 1.05 - 1.06 1.00 - 1.01
Feb....	.78 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .79 .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .76 .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77 .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .76 $\frac{1}{2}$ .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .74 $\frac{1}{2}$	May....	.77 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .78 .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 $\frac{3}{4}$ .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 $\frac{3}{4}$ .73 - .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ .70 - .70 $\frac{1}{2}$	Aug....	.82 - .82 $\frac{1}{2}$ .85 - .85 $\frac{1}{2}$ .80 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .80 $\frac{1}{2}$ .87 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .88 .85 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .86	Nov....	1.03 - 1.05 1.00 - 1.01 .97 - .97 $\frac{1}{2}$ .91 - .91 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar....	.74 - .74 $\frac{1}{2}$ .75 - .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ .74 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ .72 - .72 $\frac{1}{2}$	June....	.70 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .71 .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .74 .74 - .74 $\frac{1}{2}$ .76 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sept...	.87 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .88 .85 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .85 $\frac{3}{4}$ .86 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .86 $\frac{3}{4}$ .87 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .87 $\frac{3}{4}$	Dec....	.91 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .92 .89 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .90 .93 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .94 .92 - .92 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.8252

## GRAIN: Corn, No. 3, mixed, cash.

[Price per bushel of 56 pounds shelled, or 70 pounds in the ear, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.70 $\frac{1}{2}$ - \$0.71 .73 - .74 .74 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 .75 - .75 $\frac{1}{2}$	Apr....	\$0.75 - \$0.75 $\frac{1}{2}$ .74 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .76 .75 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 $\frac{3}{4}$	July...	\$0.78 - \$0.78 $\frac{1}{2}$ .80 - .80 $\frac{1}{2}$ .80 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .80 $\frac{1}{2}$ .82 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .83	Oct....	\$0.87 - \$0.87 $\frac{1}{2}$ .88 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .88 $\frac{3}{4}$ .91 - .91 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1.01 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1.02 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1.03 - 1.05
Feb....	.76 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77 .72 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ .74 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .75 .73 - .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ .71 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .71 $\frac{3}{4}$	May....	.76 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77 .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .74 .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .73 $\frac{3}{4}$ .71 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .72 .68 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .69 $\frac{1}{2}$	Aug....	.81 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .82 .84 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .85 .86 - .86 $\frac{1}{2}$ .87 - .87 $\frac{1}{2}$ .85 - .85 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nov....	.99 - 1.00 1.01 - 1.03 .94 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .95 .90 - .90 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar....	.70 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .71 .72 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .73 .71 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .72 .70 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .71	June....	.70 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .70 $\frac{1}{2}$ .72 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .73 .73 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .74 .76 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .77	Sept...	.86 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .87 .84 - .84 $\frac{1}{2}$ .84 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .85 .85 - .85 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dec....	.91 - .91 $\frac{1}{2}$ .89 - .89 $\frac{1}{2}$ .93 - .93 $\frac{1}{2}$ .91 - .91 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.8118

## GRAIN: Oats, contract grades, cash.

[Price per bushel of 32 pounds, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.44 .45 $\frac{1}{2}$ .50 $\frac{1}{2}$ .51	Apr....	\$0.44 $\frac{3}{8}$ .43 $\frac{1}{2}$ .44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .44 $\frac{3}{8}$	July...	\$0.38 $\frac{5}{8}$ .40 $\frac{1}{2}$ .41 $\frac{1}{2}$ .41 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oct....	\$0.46 $\frac{3}{8}$ .46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .52 $\frac{1}{2}$ .52 $\frac{1}{2}$
Feb....	.49 $\frac{1}{2}$ .46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .41 $\frac{1}{2}$ .42	May....	.46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .47 $\frac{1}{2}$ .46 $\frac{1}{2}$ .43 $\frac{1}{2}$ .39 $\frac{1}{2}$ .39 $\frac{1}{2}$	Aug....	.41 .42 $\frac{1}{2}$ .43 .44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .46 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nov....	.52 $\frac{1}{2}$ .52 $\frac{1}{2}$ .56 .56 .51 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar....	.41 $\frac{1}{2}$ .43 .43 .42 $\frac{1}{2}$	June....	\$0.39 - .39 $\frac{1}{2}$ .39 $\frac{1}{2}$ .39 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sept...	.44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .44 $\frac{1}{2}$ .46	Dec....	.52 $\frac{1}{2}$ .49 .49 $\frac{1}{2}$ .49 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.4552

<sup>1</sup> New crop.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

GRAIN: Rye, No. 2, cash.

[Price per bushel of 56 pounds, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan. ....	\$0.97½-\$0.98 .99 1.00½ 1.03½	Apr. ....	\$0.96 .97 .97½ .97	July....	\$0.98-\$0.99 .95½ .94 .98	Oct. ....	\$1.26 1.27 \$1.25-\$1.25½ 1.34 1.41
Feb. ....	1.01 1.01½ 1.00-\$1.01½ .98-\$ .98½ .90 .92 .94 .95-\$ .96 .95½	May....	.97 .97½ .98 .98½ .99 .98½ .97 .98½ .99½	Aug....	1.00-\$1.00½ 1.03 1.14-\$1.15 1.18½-\$1.19½ 1.24½-\$1.25	Nov. ....	1.43-\$1.45 1.49-\$1.50½ 1.49½-\$1.50 1.52
Mar. ....		June ...		Sept. ...	1.21-\$1.22 1.24½-\$1.25 1.20-\$1.21 1.25	Dec. ....	1.48 1.42-\$1.43 1.38 1.30-\$1.32
						Average.	\$1.1129

GRAIN: Wheat, No. 1, northern spring, cash, at Chicago.

[Price per bushel of 60 pounds on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan. ....	Price.	Apr. ....	Price.	July....	Price.	Oct. ....	Price.
Jan. ....	\$1.21½-\$1.23 1.23½-\$1.25½ 1.29½-\$1.31½ 1.37½-\$1.38½	Apr. ....	\$1.25½-\$1.28 1.23½-\$1.26½ 1.19-\$1.21½ 1.19½-\$1.22½	July....	\$1.13-\$1.15½ 1.15-\$1.20 1.15½-\$1.19½ 1.22½-\$1.29½	Oct. ....	\$1.67-\$1.73 1.67½-\$1.75 1.68-\$1.77 1.83½-\$1.93½ 1.93½-\$2.00
Feb. ....	1.34½-\$1.36 1.29½-\$1.35 1.34½ 1.28½-\$1.31 1.15-\$1.15½ 1.19-\$1.19½ 1.16½-\$1.16½ 1.09½-\$1.15 1.18-\$1.19½	May....	1.21½-\$1.25 1.20½-\$1.24 1.22-\$1.25½ 1.13-\$1.17 1.15-\$1.17 1.10-\$1.14½ 1.09½-\$1.14 1.09½-\$1.13½ 1.09½-\$1.12½	Aug....	1.30½-\$1.32½ 1.37-\$1.43½ 1.41-\$1.50½ 1.51½-\$1.61½ 1.47½-\$1.55½ 1.57½-\$1.66 1.60½-\$1.67 1.57-\$1.65 1.63-\$1.70	Nov. ....	1.86½-\$1.94½ 1.90½-\$1.97 1.85½-\$1.91 1.65-\$1.82½
Mar. ....		June ...		Sept. ...		Dec. ....	1.75½-\$1.84½ 1.64-\$1.82 1.63-\$1.74½ 1.71½-\$1.82
						Average.	\$1.4165

GRAIN: Wheat, No. 2, red winter, cash, at Chicago.

[Price per bushel of 60 pounds on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan. ....	Price.	Apr. ....	Price.	July....	Price.	Oct. ....	Price.
Jan. ....	\$1.23½ \$1.25½-\$1.26½ 1.31-\$1.32 1.34½	Apr. ....	\$1.24½ 1.21-\$1.24 1.19½-\$1.20½ 1.19½	July....	\$1.05½-\$1.06½ 1.14 1.17½ 1.26½	Oct. ....	\$1.60-\$1.62½ 1.60-\$1.62½ 1.60-\$1.60½ 1.70-\$1.75 1.85½-\$1.85½ 1.79½-\$1.80
Feb. ....	1.32½-\$1.33½ 1.32 1.26½-\$1.29½ 1.24½-\$1.25½ 1.10½-\$1.12 1.14½-\$1.14½ 1.10 1.12½ 1.14½-\$1.17½	May....	1.21½ 1.17½-\$1.18 1.18½ 1.09½-\$1.11½ 1.08½-\$1.09 1.05½-\$1.06 1.04 1.02½ 1.04½	Aug....	(1) 1.45½-\$1.46½ 1.39½-\$1.44½ 1.53½ 1.45½-\$1.48½ 1.51½-\$1.54½ 1.52½-\$1.54½ 1.51-\$1.52½ 1.56½-\$1.57	Nov. ....	1.87½-\$1.88½ 1.80-\$1.81 1.76½
Mar. ....		June ...		Sept. ...		Dec. ....	1.72½ (1) (1) (1)
						Average.	\$1.3505

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

GRAIN: Wheat, No. 2, hard winter, cash, at Kansas City.

[Weekly range of prices per bushel of 60 pounds; quotations from the Price Current-Grain Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$1.11 - \$1.18 1.14 - 1.18 1.18 - 1.25 1.24½ - 1.32	Apr....	\$1.10 - \$1.20 1.09 - 1.21 1.08 - 1.18 1.07 - 1.16	July....	\$0.95 - \$1.04 98 - 1.08 97 - 1.14 1.07 - 1.28 1.12 - 1.22 1.16 - 1.34	Oct.....	\$1.52 - \$1.63 1.56½ - 1.66 1.56 - 1.62 1.57 - 1.75 1.74 - 1.90½
Feb.....	1.24 - 1.32 1.19 - 1.30 1.18 - 1.29 1.08 - 1.20	May....	1.07 - 1.17 1.09 - 1.17 1.06 - 1.17 1.02 - 1.11	Aug....	1.36 - 1.51½ 1.43 - 1.55½ 1.39 - 1.50	Nov.....	1.79½ - 1.94 1.78 - 1.92 1.80 - 1.93 1.81 - 1.90
Mar.....	1.03 - 1.09 1.04 - 1.12 1.02 - 1.12 1.01 - 1.11 1.04 - 1.12	June...	.99 - 1.07 .99 - 1.07 .95½ - 1.06 .97 - 1.04	Sept....	1.51 - 1.61 1.51 - 1.61 1.49 - 1.64	Dec.....	1.68 - 1.81½ 1.70 - 1.83 1.61 - 1.79 1.59 - 1.74½
						Average.	\$1.3292

GRAIN: Wheat, No. 1, northern spring, cash, at Minneapolis.

[Weekly range of prices per bushel of 60 pounds; quotations from the Price Current-Grain Reporter.]

Jan.....	Price.	Apr....	Price.	July...	Price.	Oct.....	Price.
	\$1.18½ - \$1.25½ 1.22½ - 1.29½ 1.28½ - 1.34½ 1.33½ - 1.38½		\$1.19½ - \$1.25½ 1.19½ - 1.26½ 1.18 - 1.22½ 1.18½ - 1.24		\$1.07½ - \$1.10½ 1.07½ - 1.15½ 1.13½ - 1.20½ 1.16½ - 1.26½ 1.23½ - 1.29½		\$1.63½ - \$1.67½ 1.69½ - 1.74½ 1.69½ - 1.74½ 1.69½ - 1.84½ 1.85 - 1.99½
Feb.....	1.30½ - 1.36½ 1.27½ - 1.31½ 1.27 - 1.34 1.11½ - 1.27½	May...	1.20½ - 1.28½ 1.21½ - 1.27½ 1.17 - 1.25 1.13½ - 1.18	Aug....	1.26½ - 1.43½ 1.35½ - 1.53½ 1.45½ - 1.61½ 1.57½ - 1.64½	Nov.....	1.87½ - 1.98 1.91½ - 2.00 1.86½ - 1.99½ 1.86½ - 1.94½
Mar.....	1.08½ - 1.17½ 1.11½ - 1.20½ 1.08½ - 1.15½ 1.10½ - 1.14½ 1.12½ - 1.20½	June...	1.09½ - 1.15½ 1.10½ - 1.16½ 1.07½ - 1.13½ 1.06½ - 1.12½	Sept....	1.51 - 1.60½ 1.60½ - 1.67½ 1.55½ - 1.67½ 1.57½ - 1.66½	Dec.....	1.75 - 1.86½ 1.77 - 1.87½ 1.59½ - 1.83½ 1.65½ - 1.73½
						Average.	\$1.4108

GRAIN: Wheat, bluestem, cash, at Portland, Oreg.

[Price per bushel of 60 pounds on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Morning Oregonian.]

Jan.....	Price.	Apr....	Price.	July...	Price.	Oct.....	Price.
	\$1.01 1.03½ 1.12 1.15		\$1.05 1.04½ 1.03 1.03		\$0.95 .97 1.02½ 1.03½		\$1.36 1.39 1.41 1.54 1.61
Feb.....	1.08 1.07 1.08 1.02 .98	May....	1.03½ 1.03 1.04 .99 .98	Aug....	1.05 1.12 1.17 1.26 1.27	Nov.....	1.58 1.65 1.59 1.50
Mar.....	1.01 .98 .96 .98	June...	.95½ .96 .96 .96	Sept....	1.30 1.35 1.32 1.33½	Dec.....	1.50 1.45 1.40 1.44
						Average.	\$1.1753

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

HAY: Timothy, No. 1.

[Price per ton of 2,000 pounds, at Chicago, on one day (variable) in each week; quotations from the Price Current-Grain Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan. ....	\$15.00-\$16.00 16.00-17.00 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 15.00-16.50	Apr. ....	\$18.00-\$19.00 19.00-20.00 18.00-19.00 18.00-19.00	July....	\$17.50-\$18.50 17.00-18.00 16.50-17.50 ( <sup>1</sup> ) 11.00-12.00	Oct. ....	\$13.00-\$14.50 15.00-16.00 15.50-16.50 15.00-16.50 14.50-16.00
Feb. ....	16.00-17.00 16.00-17.00 16.00-17.00 16.00-17.00	May....	18.00-20.00 19.00-20.00 19.00-20.00 19.00-20.00 19.00-20.00	Aug....	12.00-13.00 15.50-16.50 14.00-15.50 15.00-15.50	Nov....	14.50-16.00 14.50-16.00 15.00-16.50 16.00-17.00
Mar. ....	16.00-17.00 16.00-17.00 16.00-17.50 16.00-17.50	June...	18.00-19.00 18.50-19.50 18.00-19.00 17.50-18.50	Sept...	( <sup>1</sup> ) 14.50-15.50 14.50-15.50 13.00-14.50	Dec. ....	16.00-17.00 15.50-17.00 15.50-17.00 15.50-17.00
						Average.	\$16.6250

HIDES: Calfskins, No. 1, country hides, 8 to 15 pounds.

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on the first Wednesday of each month; quotations from the Shoe and Leather Reporter.]

Jan. ....	\$0.24-\$0.27	Apr. ....	\$0.26-\$0.30	July....	\$0.30-\$0.38	Oct. ....	\$0.32-\$0.40
Feb. ....	.22½-.27	May....	.30-.35	Aug....	.29-.36	Nov....	.40-.50
Mar. ....	.25-.30	June...	.29-.36	Sept...	.30-.36	Dec. ....	.47½-.60
						Average.	\$0.3375

HIDES: Green, salted, packers', heavy native steers.

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on the first Wednesday of each month; quotations from the Shoe and Leather Reporter.]

Jan. ....	\$0.22½-\$0.23½	Apr. ....	\$0.22-\$0.22½	July....	\$0.27	Oct. ....	\$0.26½-\$0.26¾
Feb. ....	.23½-.24	May....	.24½-.25	Aug....	\$0.26-.26½	Nov....	.30-.33
Mar. ....	.22½-.23	June...	.26½-.27	Sept...	.26	Dec. ....	.33-.34
						Average.	\$0.2618

HIDES: Green, salted, packers', heavy Texas steers.

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on the first Wednesday of each month; quotations from the Shoe and Leather Reporter.]

Jan. ....	\$0.19	Apr. ....	\$0.21	July....	\$0.25	Oct. ....	\$0.24½-\$0.25
Feb. ....	\$0.20-.20½	May....	.23	Aug....	.24½	Nov....	.28-.28½
Mar. ....	.20-.20½	June...	\$0.24½-.24½	Sept...	.23½	Dec. ....	.32-.32½
						Average.	\$0.2387

HOPS: New York State, prime to choice.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan. ....	\$0.24-\$0.28	Apr. ....	\$0.21-\$0.25	July....	\$0.17-\$0.20	Oct. ....	²\$0.50-\$0.53
Feb. ....	.23-.27	May....	.21-.25	Aug....	.16-.19	Nov....	.50-.53
Mar. ....	.21-.25	June...	.17-.20	Sept...	.14-.15	Dec. ....	.48-.50
						Average.	\$0.2842

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

<sup>2</sup> 1916 crop.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

HOPS: Pacific coast.

[Price per pound, at Portland, Oreg., on the first of each month; quotations from the Morning Oregonian.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan. ....	\$0.10	Apr. ....	\$0.10-\$0.13	July....	\$0.08-\$0.11	Oct. ....	\$0.10-\$0.12
Feb. ....	\$0.09 <sup>1</sup> -.12 <sup>2</sup>	May....	.10-.12	Aug....	.08-.11	Nov....	.10-.12
Mar....	.10-.13	June...	.10-.12	Sept...	.09	Dec....	.06-.10
						Average.	\$0.1033

## LIVE STOCK: Cattle, steers, choice to prime, heavy beefs.

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.]

Jan. ....	Price.	Apr. ....	Price.	July ...	Price.	Oct. ....	Price.
Jan. ....	\$9.00-\$9.50	Apr. ....	\$9.25-\$9.75	July ...	\$10.80-\$11.30	Oct. ....	\$10.50-\$11.25
	9.25-9.75		9.60-10.00		10.80-11.25		10.40-11.35
	9.35-9.75		9.65-10.00		10.75-11.00		10.50-11.40
	9.35-9.75		9.65-10.00		10.00-10.40		10.50-11.50
	9.35-9.75		9.65-10.00		10.20-10.50		10.60-11.65
Feb. ....	9.25-9.75	May ...	9.60-9.95	Aug....	10.25-10.50	Nov....	10.85-11.75
	8.75-9.50		9.60-9.95		10.50-10.95		11.00-12.05
	8.90-9.60		9.80-10.25		10.50-11.00		11.00-12.05
	8.90-9.60		9.90-10.40		9.90-10.90		11.00-12.40
	8.90-9.60		10.40-11.05		10.65-11.50		( <sup>2</sup> )
Mar....	9.15-9.90	June ...	10.50-11.15	Sept...	10.40-11.25	Dec....	11.00-12.60
	9.50-9.90		10.90-11.35		10.40-11.25		10.75-12.00
	9.50-9.95		10.70-11.50		10.35-11.20		11.00-11.80
	9.50-10.05		10.60-11.35				
						Average.	\$10.4201

## LIVE STOCK: Cattle, steers, good to choice, corn fed.

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.]

Jan. ....	Price.	Apr. ....	Price.	July ...	Price.	Oct. ....	Price.
Jan. ....	\$7.75-\$9.00	Apr. ....	\$8.60-\$9.15	July ...	\$10.00-\$10.75	Oct. ....	\$9.35-\$10.40
	8.10-9.25		8.85-9.50		10.00-10.75		9.35-10.35
	8.25-9.35		8.85-9.60		9.60-10.50		9.25-10.40
	8.25-9.35		8.80-9.60		9.10-9.75		9.35-10.50
	8.10-9.25		8.80-9.60		9.25-10.15		9.50-10.60
Feb. ....	8.25-9.25	May ...	8.75-9.50	Aug....	9.35-10.15	Nov....	9.65-10.80
	7.85-8.70		8.80-9.50		9.65-10.45		10.00-10.85
	8.00-8.85		8.90-9.75		9.75-10.50		10.00-10.85
	8.00-8.85		9.35-9.90		9.10-9.85		9.90-10.75
	8.25-9.15		9.85-10.30		9.40-10.60		( <sup>2</sup> )
Mar....	8.60-9.50	June ...	9.85-10.45	Sept...	9.15-10.30	Dec....	9.75-10.90
	8.60-9.50		10.10-10.85		9.15-10.30		9.60-10.75
	8.60-9.50		9.90-10.65		9.25-10.25		9.85-10.90
	8.65-9.50		9.80-10.50				
						Average.	\$9.5730

## LIVE STOCK: Hogs, heavy (range of quotations for "selected 260 to 300 pounds packing" and "fair to fancy heavy shipping").

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.]

Jan. ....	Price.	Apr. ....	Price.	July ...	Price.	Oct. ....	Price.
Jan. ....	\$6.85-\$6.95	Apr. ....	\$9.65-\$9.80	July ...	\$9.90-\$10.15	Oct. ....	\$9.35-\$10.10
	6.80-6.95		9.50-9.62 <sup>1</sup>		9.67 <sup>1</sup> -10.10		9.55-9.95
	7.25-7.40		9.82 <sup>1</sup> -10.00		9.47 <sup>1</sup> -10.00		9.50-9.90
	7.62 <sup>1</sup> -7.75		9.70-9.85		9.40-10.10		10.00-10.35
	7.97 <sup>1</sup> -8.10		9.85-10.00		9.40-10.05		9.85-10.15
Feb. ....	8.10-8.20	May ...	9.70-9.95	Aug....	9.45-10.10	Nov....	9.65-9.95
	8.20-8.35		10.17 <sup>1</sup> -10.30		9.95-10.45		10.00-10.25
	8.30-8.40		9.82 <sup>1</sup> -10.10		10.40-11.05		9.70-9.95
	8.65-8.80		9.55-9.80		10.35-11.00		10.10-10.35
	9.27 <sup>1</sup> -9.40		9.27 <sup>1</sup> -9.50		10.35-11.20		10.15-10.30
Mar....	9.82 <sup>1</sup> -10.00	June ...	9.45-9.65	Sept...	10.00-11.00	Dec....	10.05-10.25
	9.55-9.65		9.60-9.80		10.50-11.40		10.10-10.25
	9.82 <sup>1</sup> -9.95		9.77 <sup>1</sup> -10.00		10.35-11.15		10.35-10.55
						Average.	\$9.6151

<sup>1</sup> 1916 crop.<sup>2</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

**LIVE STOCK: Hogs, light (range of quotations for "common to choice, light bacon," and "fair to fancy selected butchers").**

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$6.55-\$6.95 6.40- 6.95 6.80- 7.40 7.15- 7.70 7.45- 8.05	Apr....	\$9.25-\$9.80 9.10- 9.65 9.40-10.00 9.25- 9.90	July....	\$9.55-\$10.15 9.45- 10.10 9.60- 10.00 9.30- 10.05 9.40- 10.05	Oct.....	\$9.00-\$10.20 9.05- 10.00 9.00- 10.00 9.50- 10.40 9.25- 10.15
Feb.....	7.70- 8.20 7.70- 8.35 7.70- 8.40 8.25- 8.80	May....	9.40-10.00 9.25- 9.90 9.75-10.30 9.55-10.05 9.05- 9.80	Aug....	9.55- 10.15 9.90- 10.55 10.40- 11.10 10.50- 11.10	Nov.....	8.70- 9.90 9.00- 10.25 8.40- 9.90 8.85- 10.25
Mar.....	8.85- 9.40 9.40-10.00 9.00- 9.65 9.45-10.00	June....	8.60- 9.50 8.85- 9.65 9.25- 9.75 9.45-10.00	Sept....	10.50- 11.25 10.10- 11.25 10.25- 11.50 10.10- 11.25	Dec.....	9.05- 10.30 9.00- 10.25 9.20- 10.20 9.50- 10.50
						Average.	\$9.4000

**LIVE STOCK: Sheep, ewes, plain to fancy.**

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.]

Jan.....	\$5.50-\$6.65 5.75- 6.85 6.00- 7.60 6.15- 8.00 6.00- 7.65	Apr....	\$7.00-\$8.75 7.00- 9.00 7.75- 9.00 7.75- 9.00	July...	\$5.75-\$7.25 5.75- 7.35 5.75- 7.25 5.75- 7.35 5.75- 7.50	Oct.....	\$5.75-\$7.00 5.75- 7.25 5.75- 7.50 5.75- 7.50 5.75- 7.50
Feb.....	6.00- 7.75 6.00- 8.25 6.00- 8.25 6.50- 8.25	May....	8.00- 9.25 8.00- 9.50 8.25- 9.50 8.50-10.00 6.00- 7.60	Aug....	5.75- 7.50 5.75- 7.50 5.75- 7.35 5.75- 7.00	Nov.....	5.75- 7.25 6.25- 7.75 6.25- 7.50 6.25- 8.15
Mar.....	6.75- 8.50 6.75- 8.50 6.75- 8.60 7.00- 8.90	June....	6.40- 7.75 6.15- 7.60 5.75- 7.00 5.75- 7.25	Sept....	6.00- 7.25 6.00- 7.75 6.00- 7.60 6.00- 7.50	Dec.....	6.50- 8.50 7.00- 9.00 7.00- 9.25 7.50- 9.60
						Average.	\$7.1663

**LIVE STOCK: Sheep, lambs, good to prime.**

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.]

Jan.....	\$9.65-\$10.00 9.90- 10.60 10.10- 10.75 10.35- 11.00 10.25- 10.90	Apr....	\$10.90-\$11.25 11.15- 11.60 11.25- 11.65 11.10- 11.50	July...	\$10.75-\$11.00 10.75- 11.00 10.50- 10.60 10.25- 10.40 10.85- 11.00	Oct.....	\$10.00-\$10.15 10.35- 10.50 10.35- 10.50 10.35- 10.50 10.85- 11.00
Feb.....	10.65- 11.35 10.75- 11.50 10.65- 11.50 10.75- 11.40	May....	11.35- 11.75 10.50- 11.75 10.75- 12.35 11.00- 12.75 9.65- 10.35	Aug....	11.40- 11.50 10.85- 11.00 10.75- 11.10 10.25- 10.50	Nov.....	10.75- 10.85 11.70- 11.95 11.50- 11.65 12.00- 12.25
Mar.....	11.00- 11.40 11.00- 11.40 11.25- 11.50 11.40- 11.75	June....	9.50- 10.20 9.50- 10.60 9.15- 10.15 9.35- 10.00	Sept....	10.40- 10.75 11.15- 11.40 10.75- 10.90 10.50- 10.75	Dec.....	12.45- 12.65 12.90- 13.20 12.85- 13.10 13.15- 13.40
						Average.	\$11.0168

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FARM PRODUCTS—Continued.

## LIVE STOCK: Sheep, wethers, fed, common to best.

[Price per 100 pounds, live weight, at Chicago, on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Daily Farmers and Drovers Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$6.60-\$7.25 6.75-7.25 7.00-7.75 7.25-8.25 7.00-8.10	Apr....	\$8.25-\$9.00 8.25-9.00 8.50-9.25 8.50-9.25	July....	\$7.00-\$8.00 7.00-8.50 7.00-8.25 7.00-8.25 7.25-8.35	Oct.....	\$7.25-\$8.25 7.25-8.25 7.25-8.25 7.25-8.25
Feb.....	7.25-8.25 7.25-8.35 7.25-8.50 7.50-8.50	May....	8.50-9.50 8.50-9.50 8.75-9.60 9.00-10.00	Aug....	7.25-8.25 7.15-7.75 7.15-7.75 6.25-7.50	Nov.....	7.75-8.50 8.00-8.85 7.75-8.50 7.75-8.75
Mar.....	7.75-8.75 7.75-8.75 8.00-9.00 8.25-9.25	June...	6.50-8.00 6.50-8.00 6.50-8.00 6.25-7.75 6.25-8.00	Sept...	7.00-7.75 6.50-8.00 6.50-8.00 7.25-8.25 7.25-8.25	Dec.....	8.00-9.00 8.50-9.50 8.75-9.75 9.00-10.00
						Average.	\$7.9942

## PEANUTS: No. 1 grade.

[Price per pound, at Norfolk, on the first of each month; quotations from the Virginian-Pilot.]

Jan.....	\$0.03½-\$0.04	Apr....	\$0.03½	July....	\$0.03½	Oct.....	\$0.03½
Feb.....	.03½-.04	May....	.03½-.03½	Aug....	.03½	Nov.....	.03½
Mar.....	.03½	June...	.03½	Sept...	.03½	Dec.....	\$0.03½-.03½
						Average.	\$0.0360

## POULTRY: Live fowls, at Chicago.

[Price per pound on Friday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Tribune.]

Jan.....	\$0.15½ .15½ .14½ .15	Apr....	\$0.19 .19 .17 .18	July....	\$0.17½ .17 .17 .14½	Oct.....	\$0.15-\$0.17 .14-.16 .14-.17 .14½-.17½
Feb.....	.16½ .15 .14½ .15½	May....	\$0.17½-.18 .18 .18½ .19½	Aug....	\$0.17-.17½ .16½-.17 .15½-.17 .15-.17	Nov.....	.12½-.15 .11½-.14 .12-.15 .12½-.14½
Mar.....	\$0.15-.16½ .16½ .17½ .16½ .16½ .17	June...	.18-.18½ .18½ .18 .16½ .15	Sept...	.14-.18 .15-.17 .17½-.19½ .16-.18½ .16-.17	Dec.....	.12-.14½ .13-.16 .14-.17 .15-.16½ .18
						Average.	\$0.1636

## POULTRY: Live fowls, choice, at New York.

[Price per pound on Friday of each week; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Jan.....	\$0.16-\$0.16½ .19-.19½ .19 .17	Apr....	\$0.21-\$0.22 .21½ .19 .19	July....	\$0.17½ .17½ .20 .21	Oct.....	\$0.18-\$0.19 .19-.20 .18-.18½ .18-.18½
Feb.....	.17 .17 .17½ .17½	May....	.19 .19 .20 .20	Aug....	.21 .18 \$0.17½-.18 .17-.17½	Nov.....	.16-.17 (1) .15-.17 .17-.18½
Mar.....	.17½-.18 .18 .18 .18	June...	.20 .20 .23 .21- .21½ .21- .21½	Sept...	.20½-.21 .18-.19 .20½-.21 .17-.17½	Dec.....	.17- .17½ .17½ .20-.21 .20-.21
						Average.	\$0.1885

1 No quotation for grade carried.



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FARM PRODUCTS—Concluded.**

**TOBACCO: Burley, dark red, good leaf.**

[Price per 100 pounds, at Louisville, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Western Tobacco Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$14.00-\$15.00	Apr....	\$14.00-\$15.00	July....	\$15.00-\$16.00	Oct.....	\$15.00-\$16.00
	14.00- 15.00		14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
Feb.....	14.00- 15.00	May....	15.00- 16.00	Aug....	15.00- 16.00	Nov.....	15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
Mar.....	14.00- 15.00	June...	15.00- 16.00	Sept...	15.00- 16.00	Dec.....	15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		16.00- 17.00
	14.00- 15.00		15.00- 16.00		15.00- 16.00		16.00- 17.00
						Average.	\$15.2308

**FOOD, ETC.**

**BEANS: Medium, choice.**

[Price per 100 pounds, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$6.80-\$6.85	Apr....	\$6.65	July....	\$9.75	Oct.....	\$8.75
Feb.....	6.65- 6.70	May....	\$6.85- 6.90	Aug....	\$9.50- 9.60	Nov.....	11.75
Mar.....	6.60	June...	7.00- 7.05	Sept...	9.00	Dec.....	\$11.90-12.00
						Average.	\$8.4500

**BREAD: Crackers, oyster, dot, in boxes.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.07	Apr....	\$0.07	July....	\$0.07	Oct.....	\$0.08
Feb.....	.07	May....	.07	Aug....	.07	Nov.....	.08
Mar.....	.07	June...	.07	Sept....	.07	Dec.....	.08
						Average.	\$0.0725

**BREAD: Crackers, soda, in boxes.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.07	Apr....	\$0.07	July....	\$0.07	Oct.....	\$0.08
Feb.....	.07	May....	.07	Aug....	.07	Nov.....	.08
Mar.....	.07	June...	.07	Sept....	.07	Dec.....	.08
						Average.	\$0.0725

**BREAD: Loaf, at Chicago.**

[Price per loaf on the fifteenth of each month. Weight before baking varied from 16 ounces in October to 13½ ounces in December. For computed price per pound (before baking), see p. 143.]

Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr....	\$0.04	July....	\$0.04	Oct.....	\$0.05
Feb.....	.04	May....	.04	Aug....	.04	Nov.....	.05
Mar.....	.04	June...	.04	Sept....	.04	Dec.....	.05
						Average.	\$0.0425

<sup>1</sup> 1915 crop.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.****BREAD: Loaf, at Cincinnati.**

[Price per loaf on the fifteenth of each month. Weight before baking, varied from 15 ounces in January to 13 ounces in December. For computed price per pound (before baking), see p. 144.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr.....	\$0.04	July....	\$0.04	Oct.....	\$0.04	
Feb.....	.04	May.....	.04	Aug.....	.04	Nov.....	.04	
Mar.....	.04	June....	.04	Sept....	.04	Dec.....	.04	
							Average.	\$0.0400

**BREAD: Loaf, at New Orleans.**

[Price per loaf, on the fifteenth of each month. Weight before baking varied from 18 ounces in July to 14½ ounces in December. For computed price per pound (before baking), see p. 143.]

Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr.....	\$0.04	July....	\$0.04	Oct.....	\$0.04	
Feb.....	.04	May.....	.04	Aug.....	.04	Nov.....	.04	
Mar.....	.04	June....	.04	Sept....	.04	Dec.....	.04	
							Average.	\$0.0400

**BREAD: Loaf, at New York.**

[Price per loaf on the fifteenth of each month. Weight before baking varied from 14½ ounces in January to 11½ ounces in November. For computed price per pound (before baking), see p. 144.]

Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr.....	\$0.04	July....	\$0.04	Oct.....	\$0.04	
Feb.....	.04	May.....	.04	Aug.....	.04	Nov.....	.04	
Mar.....	.04	June....	.04	Sept....	.04	Dec.....	.05	
							Average.	\$0.0408

**BREAD: Loaf, at San Francisco.**

[Price per loaf on the fifteenth of each month. Weight before baking varied from 16 ounces in January to 14½ ounces in December. For computed price per pound (before baking), see p. 144.]

Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr.....	\$0.04	July....	\$0.04	Oct.....	\$0.04	
Feb.....	.04	May.....	.04	Aug.....	.04	Nov.....	.04½	
Mar.....	.04	June....	.04	Sept....	.04	Dec.....	.04	
							Average.	\$0.0406

**BUTTER: Creamery, extra, at Boston.**

[Price per pound on Wednesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Market Report of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.32	Apr.....	\$0.36	July....	\$0.29	Oct.....	\$0.35	
	.32		.36½		.29		.35	
	.32		.36		.29		.35	
	.32		.35		.29		.35½	
Feb.....	.32	May....	.34	Aug....	.30	Nov.....	.36	
	.32		.31		.30		.36½	
	.32		.31		.31		.37½	
	.32		.30½		.32½		.39	
	.32		.30½		.32½		.39	
Mar.....	.33	June...	.30	Sept....	.33	Dec.....	.39	
	.34		.30		.33		.38	
	.34½		.29½		.34		.39	
	.35½		.29½		.34½		.39	
	.35½							
							Average.	\$0.3342

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**BUTTER: Creamery, firsts, at Boston.**

[Price per pound on Wednesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Market Report of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.27 - \$0.29 .27 - .29 .27 - .29 .28 - .29	Apr....	\$0.35 .35 .35 .34½	July....	\$0.27½ - \$0.28 .27 - .28 .27 - .28 .27 - .28	Oct.....	\$0.34 .34 .34 \$0.34 - .34½
Feb.....	.28 - .29 .28 - .29 .28½ - .29½ .29 - .30	May....	.33 - .33½ .30 .30 .29½ - .30	Aug....	.28 - .29 .28 - .29 .29 - .30 .30 - .31½	Nov.....	.34½ - .35 .35½ .36½ .38
Mar.....	.30 - .32 .32 .32 - .33 .34 .34½	June...	.29½ - .30 .29 - .29½ .28 - .29 .28 - .28½	Sept....	.30½ - .31½ .31 - .32 .31 - .32 .32 - .33 .32½ - .33½	Dec.....	.38 - .38½ .38 .36 - .37 .37 - .38 .37 - .37½
						Average.	\$0.3183

**BUTTER: Creamery, seconds, at Boston.**

[Price per pound on Wednesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Market Report of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.]

Jan.....	Price.	Apr....	Price.	July....	Price.	Oct.....	Price.
	\$0.25 .25 .25 .25½		\$0.34 .35 .34½ .34½		\$0.26½ .26 .25½ - .26		\$0.33 .33 .33 .33
Feb.....	.25½ - .26 \$0.25½ - .26 .26 - .26½	May....	.32½ .32½ .32½ .29 .29	Aug....	.26 - .27 .26 - .27 .27½ - .28½ .28½ - .29½	Nov.....	.33½ - .34 .34½ .35 .37
Mar.....	.27 - .28 .30 .31 .33 .33 - .33½	June...	.28½ - .29 .28½ - .29 .28 - .28½ .27 - .27½	Sept....	.29 - .30 .29 - .30 .30 - .31½ .31 - .32	Dec.....	.36 .35 .35 - .36 .35 - .36
						Average.	\$0.3021

**BUTTER: Creamery, extra, at Chicago.**

[Price per pound on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Dairy Produce.]

Jan.....	Price.	Apr....	Price.	July...	Price.	Oct.....	Price.
	\$0.32 .30½ .30½ .30½ .30		\$0.36 .35 .34 \$0.33½ - .34		\$0.27½ .27½ .27½ .27½ .28		\$0.34 .34½ .34½ .34½ .35
Feb.....	.30½ .31½ .32½ .33½	May....	.32 .29 .28½ .29½	Aug....	.28½ .29½ .31 .31	Nov.....	.36 .36½ .40½ .42
Mar.....	.35 .35 .36 .36	June...	.29 .29 .28½ .28	Sept....	.31½ .32½ .32½ .33	Dec.....	.39 .37 .38½ .38½
						Average.	\$0.3254

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## BUTTER: Creamery, extra firsts, at Chicago.

[Price per pound at close of each week; quotations from the Chicago Dairy Produce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.30-\$0.31 .29-.30 .28-.29 .28½-.29½ .28½-.29	Apr....	\$0.35½ .34½ .34 \$0.33-.33½	July...	\$0.26½-\$0.27 .26½-.27 .26½-.27 .26½-.27	Oct....	\$0.33-\$0.33½ .33½-.34 .33½-.34 .33½-.34
Feb....	.28½-.29 (1) .31-.32 .32-.33½	May....	.27½-.28 .29 .28½-.28½ .28-.28½	Aug....	.27½-.28 .28-.28½ .29½-.30 .30½	Nov....	.35½-.36 .39 .41
Mar....	.33½-.34 .33½-.34 .35-.35½ .35-.35½	June...	.28½-.28½ .28-.28½ .27½-.28 (1)	Sept...	.30½-.31 .31½-.31½ .32-.32½	Dec....	.40½-.41 .35½-.36 .37-.37½ .37½-.38
						Average.	\$0.3179

## BUTTER: Creamery, firsts, at Chicago.

[Price per pound at close of each week; quotations from the Chicago Dairy Produce.]

Jan....	\$0.26-\$0.28	Apr....	\$0.34-\$0.35	July...	\$0.25½-\$0.26½	Oct....	\$0.31½-\$0.32½
	.26-.28 .25-.27 .25-.27½ .25-.27		.33½-.34 .33-.33½ .32-.32½ .31-.31½		.25½-.26½ .25½-.26 .25½-.26½ .25½-.26½		.32-.33 .32½-.33 .32½-.33 .32½-.33½
Feb....	.25½-.27½ .26-.29 .27-.30 .28-.31½	May...	.27-.27½ .28-.28½ .27½-.28 .27-.27½	Aug....	.26-.26½ .27-.27½ .27½-.28½ .28-.29½	Nov....	.34-.34½ .34-.35 .37-.38½ .38-.40
Mar....	.29-.33 .29-.33 .33-.33½ .33-.34½	June...	.27½-.28 .27-.27½ .27½ .26½-.27	Sept...	.28-.30 .28-.29½ .29-.30½ .30½-.31½	Dec....	.36-.37½ .33-.35 .34-.35½ .34-.36
						Average.	\$0.3012

## BUTTER: Whole milk, extra, at Cincinnati.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.]

Jan....	\$0.35½	Apr....	\$0.40	July...	\$0.31½	Oct....	\$0.38
	.35 .35 .35		.40 .38 .37		.31½ .31½ .31½		.38½ .38½ .38½ .39
Feb....	.34 .34½ .35½ .37 .38	May...	.36 .34 .32 .33½ .33	Aug....	.32 .32½ .33½ .34½ .35	Nov....	.40 .40½ .44 .46
Mar....	.39 .39 .40 .40	June...	.33 .33 \$0.28-.29 .32	Sept...	.35½ .36 .36½ .37	Dec....	.44 .41 .42½ .42½
						Average.	\$0.3652

1 No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**BUTTER: Creamery, centralized firsts, at Cincinnati.**

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan. ....	\$0.29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29 .29 .29	Apr. ....	\$0.34 .34 .32 .31	July ...	\$0.26 .25 $\frac{1}{2}$ .25 $\frac{1}{2}$ .25 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oct. ....	\$0.32 .32 $\frac{1}{2}$ .32 $\frac{1}{2}$ .32 $\frac{1}{2}$
Feb. ....	.28 .28 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .31 .32	May ...	.30 .28 .26 .27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .27	Aug. ....	.26 .26 $\frac{1}{2}$ .27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .28 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29	Nov. ....	.33 .34 .34 $\frac{1}{2}$ .38 .40
Mar. ....	.33 .33 .34 .34	June ...	.27 .27 .26 $\frac{1}{2}$ .26	Sept. ...	.29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .30 .30 $\frac{1}{2}$ .31	Dec. ....	.38 .35 .36 $\frac{1}{2}$ .36 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.3061

**BUTTER: Creamery, centralized seconds, at Cincinnati.**

Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.]

Jan. ....	\$0.26 $\frac{1}{2}$ .26 .26 .26	Apr. ....	\$0.31 .31 .29 .28	July ...	\$0.25 .22 $\frac{1}{2}$ .22 $\frac{1}{2}$ .22 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oct. ....	\$0.29 .29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .30
Feb. ....	.25 .25 $\frac{1}{2}$ .26 $\frac{1}{2}$ .28 .29	May ...	.27 .25 .23 .24 $\frac{1}{2}$ .25 $\frac{1}{2}$	Aug. ....	.23 .23 $\frac{1}{2}$ .24 $\frac{1}{2}$ .25 $\frac{1}{2}$ .26	Nov. ....	.31 .31 $\frac{1}{2}$ .35 .37
Mar. ....	.28 .26 .31 .31	June ...	.24 .24 .25 .25	Sept. ...	.26 $\frac{1}{2}$ .27 .27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .25	Dec. ....	.35 .32 .33 $\frac{1}{2}$ .33 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.2756

**BUTTER: Creamery, Elgin, at Elgin, Ill.**

[Price per pound based on majority of sales within each week; quotations from the Elgin Dairy Report.]

Jan. ....	\$0.31 .31 .31 .30	Apr. ....	\$0.36 .36 .34 .33 .32	July ...	\$0.27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .28	Oct. ....	\$0.34 $\frac{1}{2}$ .34 $\frac{1}{2}$ .34 $\frac{1}{2}$ .35
Feb. ....	.30 $\frac{1}{2}$ .31 $\frac{1}{2}$ .33 .34	May ...	.30 .28 .29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29	Aug. ....	.28 $\frac{1}{2}$ .29 $\frac{1}{2}$ .30 $\frac{1}{2}$ .31 .31 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nov. ....	.36 .36 $\frac{1}{2}$ .40 .42
Mar. ....	.35 .35 .36 .36	June ...	.29 .29 .28 $\frac{1}{2}$ .28	Sept. ...	.32 .31 $\frac{1}{2}$ .32 $\frac{1}{2}$ .35 .34	Dec. ....	.40 .37 .38 $\frac{1}{2}$ .38 $\frac{1}{2}$ .39
						Average.	\$0.3274

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## BUTTER: Creamery, fancy, at New Orleans.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Times-Picayune.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.37 .34 .34 .34	Apr....	\$0.39 .39 .37½ .30½	July...	\$0.31 .31 .30½ .30½	Oct....	\$0.37½ .37½ .37½ .37 .37
Feb....	.35 .35 .35½ .35 .37½	May...	.35 .35 .33 .32½	Aug....	.30½ .31 .32 .33	Nov....	.38 .39½ .43 .45
Mar....	.37½ .37½ .35 .39 .39	June...	\$0.31½-.32 .32 .32 .32 .31	Sept...	.34 .34 .34 .36 .36½	Dec....	.43 .43 .36 .42
						Average.	\$0.3559

## BUTTER: Creamery, choice, at New Orleans.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Times-Picayune.]

Jan....	\$0.36 .33½ .33½ .33	Apr....	\$0.38½ .38 .36½ .35½	July...	\$0.30½ .31 .29½ .30	Oct....	\$0.36½ .36½ .36½ .36 .36
Feb....	.32 .32 .32½ .34 .36½	May...	.34½ .34½ .32 .32 .30	Aug....	.30 .30½ .31½ .32 .33	Nov....	.37½ .38½ .42 .43
Mar....	.36½ .37 .38½ .38½	June...	.31 .31½ .31½ .30	Sept...	.33 .33 .35 .35½	Dec....	.42 .42 .35 .41
						Average.	\$0.3473

## BUTTER: Creamery, extra, at New York.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan....	\$0.33 - \$0.33½ .33 .33 .32 - .32½	Apr....	\$0.37½ .36½ .37 .35	July...	\$0.29 .29½ .29 .29	Oct....	\$0.36 .35 .35 .35½ .36½
Feb....	.30½ .32½ - .33 .34 - .34½ .34½ - .35½ .36	May...	\$0.33½ - .34 .31 - .31½ .30½ - .30½ .30½	Aug....	.30 .30 .31 \$0.32½ - .32½ .32½	Nov....	\$0.36 - .36½ .37 .38½ .41½ .42 - .42½
Mar....	.37½ .36 - .36½ .38 .36½	June...	.30 .30 .29½ - .29½	Sept...	.33½ - .33½ .33 .33½ .35	Dec....	.39½ - .39½ .38½ .41 .41 - .41½
						Average.	\$0.3409

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**BUTTER: Creamery, firsts, at New York.**

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.28 - \$0.32	Apr....	\$0.36½ - \$0.37	July...	\$0.27½ - \$0.28½	Oct.....	\$0.34½ - \$0.35½
	.28 - .32		.35½ - .36½		.27 - .28		.34 - .34½
	.28 - .32		.36 - .36½		.27 - .28½		.34 - .34½
	.28 - .31½		.34½ - .34½		.27½ - .28½		.34 - .35
Feb.....	.27 - .29½	May....	.33 - .33½	Aug....	.28 - .29½	Nov.....	.34½ - .35½
	.27½ - .31½		.30 - .30½		.28 - .29½		.35½ - .36½
	.29½ - .33½		.29½ - .30		.29 - .30½		.36½ - .38
	.31 - .34		.29 - .30		.30½ - .32		.39 - .41
	.33 - .35½		.29 - .30		.31 - .32		.38½ - .41½
Mar.....	.35½ - .37	June...	.28½ - .29½	Sept...	.31½ - .33	Dec.....	.37½ - .38½
	.34½ - .35½		.28½ - .29½		.31½ - .32½		.36½ - .38
	.36½ - .37½		.28 - .29		.32½ - .33½		.37½ - .40½
	.35½ - .36		.28 - .29½		.33½ - .34½		.36½ - .40½
						Average.	\$0.3273

**BUTTER: Creamery, seconds, at New York.**

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.25 - \$0.27½	Apr....	\$0.35 - \$0.36	July...	\$0.25½ - \$0.27	Oct.....	\$0.33 - \$0.34
	.25½ - .27½		.34½ - .35½		.25½ - .26½		.32½ - .33½
	.25 - .27½		.34½ - .35½		.25 - .26½		.33 - .33½
	.25½ - .27½		.33 - .34		.25 - .27		.32½ - .33½
Feb.....	.25 - .26½	May....	.32 - .32½	Aug....	.26 - .27½	Nov.....	.33½ - .34½
	.25 - .27		.29 - .29½		.26 - .27½		.34 - .35
	.26½ - .29		.28 - .29		.27 - .28½		.35 - .36
	.28 - .30		.27½ - .28½		.28½ - .30		.36½ - .38½
	.30 - .32½		.28 - .28½		.29 - .30½		.36½ - .38½
Mar.....	.32½ - .35	June...	.27½ - .28	Sept...	.29½ - .31	Dec.....	.36 - .37
	.32 - .34		.27 - .28		.29½ - .31		.35 - .36
	.34 - .36		.26½ - .27½		.31 - .32		.35½ - .37
	.34 - .05		.26 - .27½		.32 - .33		.34½ - .36
						Average.	\$0.3077

**BUTTER: Creamery, extra, at Philadelphia.**

[Price per pound on Friday of each week; quotations from the Philadelphia Commercial List and Price Current.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.34	Apr....	\$0.37	July....	\$0.29	Oct.....	\$0.36½
	.34		.38		.29		.35
	.24		.36		.29		.36
	.32½		.34		.29½		.36
Feb.....	.32	May....	.33	Aug....	.30	Nov.....	.37
	.34½		.31		.31		.38
	.35½		.31		.32		.42
	.36½		.30½		.33		.42
Mar.....	.37	June...	.31	Sept...	.34	Dec.....	.40
	.38		.30½		.34		.37
	.38		.30		.34		.40
	.38		.30		.34½		.41
	.38		.29½		.35		.41
						Average.	\$0.3460

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## BUTTER: Creamery, extra firsts, at Philadelphia.

[Price per pound on Friday of each week; quotations from the Philadelphia Commercial List and Price Current.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.29-\$0.31	Apr....	\$0.36½	July....	\$0.28	Oct.....	\$0.35-\$0.35½
	.29- .31		.37½		.28		.34
	.29- .31		.35½		.28		.35
Feb.....	.29- .30	May....	.35½	Aug....	.28½	Nov.....	.35
	.29- .30		.32½		.29		.36
	.33		.30½		.30		.37
	.34		.31		.31		.41
Mar.....	.35- .36	June...	.29½	Sept...	.32	Dec.....	.41
	.36- .37		.30		.33		.39
	.36- .37		.29		.33		.39
	.37		.29		.33		.40
	.37		.28½		.34		.40
						Average.	\$0.3334

## BUTTER: Creamery, firsts, at Philadelphia.

[Price per pound on Friday of each week; quotations from the Philadelphia Commercial List and Price Current.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.27-\$0.29	Apr....	\$0.36	July....	\$0.27	Oct.....	\$0.34½
	.27- .28		.37		.27		.33½
	.27- .28		.35		.27		\$0.34- .34½
Feb.....	.27- .28	May....	.33	Aug....	.27½	Nov.....	.34½
	.30- .31		.32		.28		.35½
	.31- .32		.30		.29		.36
	.32- .33		.30		.30		.38- .40
Mar.....	.33- .34	June...	.29	Sept...	.31½	Dec.....	.39
	.34- .35		.28		.32		.37
	.34- .35		.28		.32		.35
	.36		.28		.32		.37- .38
	.36		.27½		.33		.38- .39
						Average.	\$0.3212

## BUTTER: Creamery, extra, at San Francisco.

[Price per pound on Thursday of each week; quotations from the Pacific Dairy Review.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.26½	Apr....	\$0.29	July....	\$0.26	Oct.....	\$0.32½
	.27½		.27		.25½		.34
	.28½		.25½		.26½		.33
Feb.....	.28½	May....	.24½	Aug....	.26	Nov.....	.32½
	.29½		.24½		.26½		.32½
	.32		.24½		.26½		.33
	.31½		.25		.26½		.34½
Mar.....	.23	June...	.25½	Sept...	.27	Dec.....	.34½
	.30		.25		.30		.36
	.28½		.26		.30½		.35½
	.28½		.24½		.30		.33½
	.28½		.24½		.30½		.34
	.28½		.24½		.31½		.35
						Average.	\$0.2900



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**BUTTER: Creamery, firsts, at San Francisco.**

[Price per pound on Thursday of each week; quotations from the Pacific Dairy Review.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.25 .24½ .25 .26	Apr....	\$0.28 .26 .24½ .24	July....	\$0.24 .24 .25½ .25½	Oct.....	\$0.30 .32 .31½ .31
Feb.....	.27 .28½ .29 .29½	May....	.28½ .28½ .28½ .25	Aug....	.25 .25 .25½ .26 .28	Nov.....	.31 .31½ .33½ .33½
Mar.....	.22 .29 .27½ .27½ .27½	June... .....	.24½ .25 .28½ .28½ .24	Sept... .....	.28 .28 .28½ .28½	Dec.....	.35 .34½ .32½ .32½ .33
						Average.	\$0.2749

**CANNED GOODS: Corn, New York Standard.**

[Price per dozen cans, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.75	Apr.....	\$0.75	July....	\$0.75	Oct.....	\$0.90
Feb.....	.75	May....	.75	Aug....	.75	Nov.....	1.25
Mar.....	.75	June... .....	.75	Sept... .....	\$0.77½-.82½	Dec.....	1.25
						Average.	\$0.8500

**CANNED GOODS: Peas, Admiral, State, and West, No. 5.**

[Price per dozen cans, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.70-\$0.72½	Apr.....	\$0.70-\$0.72½	July....	\$0.70-\$0.72½	Oct.....	\$0.85-\$0.90
Feb.....	.70-.72½	May....	.70-.72½	Aug....	.70-.72½	Nov.....	.95-1.05
Mar.....	.70-.72½	June... .....	.70-.72½	Sept... .....	.75	Dec.....	1.00-1.05
						Average.	\$0.7792

**CANNED GOODS: Tomatoes, standard New Jersey, No. 3.**

[Price per dozen cans (5-inch can containing 34 ounces net), at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.15	Apr.....	\$1.15	July....	\$1.15	Oct.....	\$1.50
Feb.....	1.15	May....	1.15	Aug....	1.15	Nov.....	1.50
Mar.....	1.15	June... .....	1.15	Sept... .....	1.25	Dec.....	1.50
						Average.	\$1.2458

**CHEESE: Whole milk, American twins, at Chicago.**

[Price per pound at close of each week; quotations from the Chicago Dairy Produce.]

Jan.....	\$0.16½-\$0.17 .16½-.17 .16½-.16½	Apr....	\$0.16½-\$0.16½ .16½-.17 .16-.16½	July....	\$0.14½ .14½ \$0.14½-.14½	Oct.....	\$0.18½-\$0.18½ (1) .18½-.19 .18½-.19
Feb.....	.17-.17½ .17½-.18 .17-.17½ .17½-.18	May....	.15½-.16 .15-.15½ .15½-.15½ .16-.16½	Aug....	.14½-.14½ .14½-.14½ .14½-.15 .15½-.15½	Nov.....	.19-.19½ .21-.21½ .23-.23½ .24½-.25
Mar.....	.17-.17½ .16½-.16½ .16-.16½ .16½-.17	June... .....	.14-.14½ .14½-.14½ .14½-.14½ .14½-.14½	Sept.... .....	.17½-.18 .17½-.18 .18½ .18½	Dec.....	.24-.24½ .23½-.23½ .23-.23½ .22½-.22½ .22½-.22½
						Average.	\$0.1744

1 No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## CHEESE: State, whole milk, colored, average, fancy, at New York.

[Price per pound on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.16½-\$0.16¾ .16½-.16¾ .16½-.16¾ .17-.17½	Apr....	\$0.17-\$0.17½ .16½-.16¾ .16½-.16¾ .16½-.16¾	July....	\$0.15½-\$0.15¾ .14½-.15 .15½-.15¾	Oct.....	\$0.20½ \$.20½-.20¾ .20¾-.21¼ .21-.21½
Feb.....	.17-.17½ .17-.17½ .17-.17½ .17-.17½	May....	.16½-.16¾ .16½-.16¾ .17-.17½ .17-.17½	Aug....	.15½-.16 .16½-.16¾ .16½-.17	Nov.....	.21-.21½ .21½-.23¼ .23¼-.24 .23½-.24
Mar.....	.17 .17½ .17½-.17¾ .17-.17½	June...	.15-.15½ .14½-.14¾ .15½ .15½	Sept....	.18½-.18¾ .19-.19½ .19½-.19¾	Dec.....	.23½-.23¾ .23½-.23¾ .22-.22½ .22-.22½
						Average.	\$0.1805

## CHEESE: California flats, fancy, at San Francisco.

[Price per pound on Thursday of each week; quotations from the Pacific Dairy Review.]

Jan.....	\$0.15½	Apr....	\$0.18	July....	\$0.14½	Oct.....	\$0.16½
	.16		.14		.13½		.16½
	.17½		.14		.13½		.16½
Feb.....	.17	May....	.13	Aug....	.14½	Nov.....	.16
	.17		.12½		.15½		.16
	.17		.12½		.14		.16
	.17		.12½		.14		.16
	.17½		.13½		.14		.18
Mar.....	.17	June...	.14	Sept....	.14½	Dec.....	.18½
	.18		.14½		.14½		.18
	.18		.14½		.14½		.17
	.18½		.15		.15½		.17
	.18		.16				
						Average.	\$0.1561

## COFFEE: Rio, No. 7, Brazil grades.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.07½	Apr....	\$0.09½	July....	\$0.09	Oct.....	\$0.09½
Feb.....	.08½	May....	.09½	Aug....	.09½	Nov.....	.09½
Mar.....	.09½	June...	.09½	Sept....	.09½	Dec.....	.09½
						Average.	\$0.0924

## EGGS: Firsts, western, at Boston.

[Price per dozen on Wednesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Market Report of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.32	Apr....	\$0.21½-\$0.22	July....	\$0.23½-\$0.24	Oct.....	\$0.33-\$0.34
	.32		.22-.22½		.24-.24½		.33-.34
	.32		.21½-.22		.24½-.25		.32-.33
Feb.....	\$0.28-.29	May....	.21½-.22	Aug....	.25-.25	Nov.....	.34-.35
	.32-.33		.22½-.23		.25-.26		.35-.36
	.28		.22½-.23		.25-.26		.36-.38
	.25		.23-.23½		.27-.28		.38-.40
	.23		.23-.23½		.28-.30		.42-.45
Mar.....	.26	June...	.22½-.23	Sept....	.29-.30	Dec.....	.42-.45
	.24		.22½-.23		.30-.31		.44-.46
	.22½		.22-.22½		.30-.32		.44-.46
	.23		.22½-.23		.30-.31		.46
	.21½		.23-.23½		.31-.32		.46
	.21½						
						Average.	\$0.2913

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**EGGS: Firsts, at Chicago.**

[Price per dozen on Monday of each week; quotations from the Chicago Dairy Produce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.28 .28 \$0.32 - .32½ .27 .29	Apr....	\$0.19½-\$0.19½ .20½ - .21 .20½ - .20¾ .20 - .20½	July ...	\$0.21½-\$0.22½ .21½ - .22 .22 - .22½ .22 - .22½	Oct.....	\$0.30 - \$0.31 .30½ - .31 .30½ - .31 .30 - .31 .31½ - .32½
Feb.....	.23½ - .24 .22 - .22½ .20½ - .21	May....	.20½ - .21 .20½ - .20¾ .20½ - .21 .21 - .21¼ .20½ - .21 .20½ - .21	Aug....	.23 - .23½ .23 - .24 .24 - .25 .25 - .25½	Nov.....	.32 - .33 .34 - .35 .39 - .39½ .39 - .39½
Mar.....	.18½ .18½ .19 - .19½ .19½	June...	.20½ - .21 .20½ - .21 .21 - .21½ .21 - .21½	Sept....	.25½ - .26 .27 - .27½ .29½ - .30 .29½ - .30	Dec.....	.38½ - .39 .37 .39 - .40 .40 - .41
						Average.	\$0.2617

**EGGS: Firsts, fresh, at Cincinnati.**

[Price per dozen on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.32½ .30 .32½ .28½	Apr....	\$0.19½ .19½ .20 .20	July ...	\$0.22½ .23½ .24 .24	Oct.....	\$0.31½ .34 .34 .35½ .35½
Feb.....	.27½ .24 .21 .20 .22	May...	.20½ .20 .20½ .21 .20½	Aug....	.24 .24 .27 .27½	Nov.....	.37½ .40 .43 .41
Mar.....	.18 .18½ .18½ .19	June...	.20½ .21 .21½ .22	Sept....	.30½ .31½ .31 .31	Dec.....	\$0.37- .40 .38½ .42 .44
						Average.	\$0.2734

**EGGS: Canded, western (Louisiana, from the third week in January through the fourth week in September), at New Orleans.**

[Price per dozen on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Times-Picayune.]

Jan.....	\$0.30-\$0.31 .28 - .29 .25 - .26 .24	Apr....	\$0.19 .19 .19 .19	July ...	\$0.18½-\$0.19 .18½ - .19 .18½ - .19 .19 - .20	Oct.....	\$0.30-\$0.31 .30 - .31 .30 - .31 .30 - .31 .33 - .34
Feb.....	.23 - .23½ .24 - .24½ .23 - .23½ .21 - .22	May...	.19 .19 .19 .19	Aug....	.19 - .20 .21 - .22 .21 - .22 .22 - .23	Nov.....	.33 - .34 .33 - .34 .32 .34 - .35 .34 - .35
Mar.....	.18 .18 .18 .19	June...	.18 - .18½ .18 .18 .18	Sept....	.23 - .24 .25 - .26 .25 - .26 .26 - .27 .29 - .30	Dec.....	.34 - .35 .34 - .35 .40 .40 .36
						Average.	\$0.2435

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## EGGS: Firsts, fresh gathered, at New York.

[Price per dozen on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.32-\$0.34 .30-.30½ .32½-.33 .26½-.28	Apr....	\$0.20½-\$0.22 .21½-.22½ .20½-.22 .21-.22½	July...	\$0.23½-\$0.24½ .23½-.24½ .24½-.26 .25½-.26½	Oct.....	\$0.33-\$0.35 .33-.36 .32-.34 .34-.35 .35-.37 .38-.39 .38-.40 .42-.44 .44-.46
Feb.....	.28-.29 .27-.28 .24-.24½ .23½-.24	May...	.21½-.22½ .21½-.22½ .22-.23½ .22½-.23½ .22-.23	Aug....	.26½-.28 .27-.29 .27-.29 .28-.30 .29-.30	Nov.....	.43-.45 .44-.45 .48-.49 .46-.47
Mar.....	.22-.22½ .21-.21½ .21½-.21½ .20½-.21½	June...	.22-.23½ .22-.23 .22½-.23½ .23½-.24½	Sept...	.31-.32 .32-.33 .32-.34 .32-.34	Dec.....	.43-.45 .44-.45 .48-.49 .46-.47
						Average.	\$0.2928

## EGGS: Extra firsts, western, at Philadelphia.

[Price per dozen on Friday of each week; computed from quotations in the Philadelphia Commercial List and Price Current.]

Jan....	\$0.35 .32 .28 .29	Apr....	\$0.22½ .22½ .22½ .22½	July...	\$0.25 .25½ \$0.26-.26½ .27-.28	Oct.....	\$0.37 .35 .35 .36
Feb.....	.31 .25 .23½ .24½	May...	.22½ .23½ .23½ .23½	Aug....	.27-.28 .29-.31 .29-.31 .29-.31	Nov.....	.39 .39 .43 .44
Mar.....	.24 .24 .21½ .21½ .22	June...	.23½ .23½ .23½ .24 .24½	Sept...	.33 .33 .33 .33 .35	Dec.....	.45 .41 .47 .47 .47
						Average.	\$0.3013

## EGGS: Fresh, selected, pullets', at San Francisco.

[Price per dozen on Thursday of each week; quotations from the Pacific Daily Review.]

Jan....	\$0.29½ .28½ .31 .31	Apr....	\$0.19½ .20 .20 .19½	July...	\$0.22½ .24 .25½ .26	Oct.....	\$0.39 .43½ .43 .39
Feb.....	.31 .25 .19 .17½	May...	.19½ .19½ .21 .21½	Aug....	.26½ .27 .27 .30 .32	Nov.....	.37½ .38 .41½ .43 .38½
Mar.....	.16½ .17 .17 .18½ .19½	June...	.22 .23 .23 .22½ .22½	Sept...	.32½ .33 .33 .33 .34	Dec.....	.37 .35 .35 .33 .31½
						Average.	\$0.2783

## FISH: Cod, large, shore (pickled, cured).

[Price per 100 pounds, at Gloucester, Mass., on the first of each month.]

Jan....	\$7.75	Apr....	\$7.85	July...	\$8.25	Oct.....	\$8.25
Feb.....	7.75	May...	7.90	Aug....	8.25	Nov.....	8.25
Mar.....	7.75	June...	8.00	Sept...	8.25	Dec.....	8.25
						Average.	\$8.0417

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**FISH: Herring, pickled, domestic split, large.**

[Price per barrel of 180-190 pounds, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Fishing Gazette.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan. ....	\$7.50-\$8.00	Apr. ....	\$6.50-\$7.00	July ...	\$7.00-\$7.50	Oct. ....	\$6.50-\$7.00	
Feb. ....	7.00- 8.00	May ...	6.50- 7.00	Aug. ....	7.00- 7.50	Nov. ....	8.00- 8.50	
Mar. ....	7.00- 7.50	June ...	6.50- 7.00	Sept. ...	7.00- 7.50	Dec. ....	8.00- 8.50	
							Average.	\$7.3125

**FISH: Mackerel, salt, large, No. 3s.**

[Price per barrel, 200 pounds net, at Boston, on the first of each month.]

Jan. ....	\$13.00	Apr. ....	\$13.00	July ...	\$13.50	Oct. ....	\$15.00	
Feb. ....	13.00	May ...	13.00	Aug. ....	14.50	Nov. ....	15.50	
Mar. ....	13.00	June ...	13.50	Sept. ...	15.00	Dec. ....	16.00	
							Average.	\$14.0000

**FISH: Salmon, canned, Alaska, red.**

[Price per dozen cans, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan. ....	\$1.55 - \$1.60	Apr. ....	\$1.57½ - \$1.60	July ...	\$1.60 - \$1.65	Oct. ....	\$1.80 - \$1.85	
Feb. ....	1.55 - 1.60	May ...	1.57½ - 1.60	Aug. ....	1.67½ - 1.70	Nov. ....	1.85- 1.90	
Mar. ....	1.57½ - 1.60	June ...	1.57½ - 1.60	Sept. ...	1.73 - 1.77½	Dec. ....	1.85- 1.90	
							Average.	\$1.6783

**FLOUR: Buckwheat.**

[Price per 100 pounds in bulk, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan. ....	\$2.85-\$3.00	Apr. ....	\$2.90-\$3.00	July ...	(1)	Oct. ....	(1)	
Feb. ....	2.90- 3.05	May ...	(1)	Aug. ....	(1)	Nov. ....	\$4.65-\$5.25	
Mar. ....	2.90- 3.00	June ...	(1)	Sept. ...	(1)	Dec. ....	5.15- 5.25	
							Average.	\$3.6583

**FLOUR: Rye, pure, medium straight.**

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, at Minneapolis, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Jan. ....	\$4.50-\$4.60	Apr. ....	\$4.80-\$4.90	July ...	\$5.10-\$5.20	Oct. ....	\$6.50-\$6.60	
	4.90- 5.00		4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60	
	4.80- 4.90		4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60	
	4.80- 4.90		4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60	
Feb. ....	4.90- 5.00	May ...	4.80- 4.90	Aug. ....	5.10- 5.20	Nov. ....	7.40- 7.50	
	4.90- 5.00		4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		7.40- 7.50	
	5.00- 5.10		5.10- 5.20		5.10- 5.20		7.70- 7.80	
	4.90- 5.00		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60		7.70- 7.80	
	4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60		7.70- 7.80	
Mar. ....	4.80- 4.90	June ...	5.10- 5.20	Sept. ...	6.50- 6.60	Dec. ....	7.50- 7.60	
	4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60		7.50- 7.60	
	4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60		7.50- 7.60	
	4.80- 4.90		5.10- 5.20		6.50- 6.60		6.90- 7.00	
							Average.	\$5.7269

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## FLOUR: Wheat, winter patents, at Kansas City.

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in jute, f. o. b. Kansas City, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$5.40-\$5.60 5.40-5.60 5.80-6.10 5.90-6.20	Apr....	\$5.05-\$5.40 5.10-5.20 5.20-5.40 5.00-5.25 5.10-5.25	July...	\$4.40-\$4.60 4.60-4.90 5.00-5.40 5.35-5.70 5.50-5.90	Oct.....	\$7.40-\$7.70 7.40-7.70 8.00-8.20 9.00-9.20
Feb.....	5.90-6.20 5.60-6.00 5.60-6.00 5.10-5.50	May....	5.10-5.25 5.00-5.30 4.90-5.10 4.90-5.10	Aug....	6.10-6.30 6.80-7.00 7.05-7.25 7.25-7.45	Nov.....	9.00-9.20 9.30-9.50 8.75-9.00 8.80-9.00
Mar.....	5.00-5.40 5.00-5.40 4.85-5.25 4.85-5.25	June...	4.80-5.00 4.80-5.10 4.60-4.90 4.50-4.80	Sept...	7.00-7.30 7.50-7.80 7.20-7.50 7.30-7.60 7.25-7.50	Dec.....	7.85-8.00 8.20-8.40 7.50-7.80 7.80-8.10 8.10-8.50
						Average.	\$6.3644

## FLOUR: Wheat, winter straights, at Kansas City.

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in jute, f. o. b. Kansas City, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Jan.....	Price.	Apr....	Price.	July....	Price.	Oct.....	Price.
Jan.....	\$5.10-\$5.35 5.10-5.35 5.50-5.80 5.65-5.95	Apr....	\$4.95-\$5.15 5.00-5.20 5.00-5.20 4.75-5.00 4.85-5.05	July....	\$4.20-\$4.50 4.30-4.60 4.60-4.90 5.00-5.25 5.20-5.45	Oct.....	\$7.15-\$7.35 7.10-7.30 7.80-8.00 8.80-9.00
Feb.....	5.65-5.95 5.45-5.65 5.45-5.65 4.90-5.15	May....	4.85-5.05 4.75-5.05 4.65-4.85 4.65-4.85	Aug....	5.80-6.10 6.35-6.60 6.60-6.90 6.80-7.10	Nov.....	8.60-8.90 8.90-9.10 8.40-8.70 8.45-8.65
Mar.....	4.85-5.10 4.85-5.10 4.70-4.95 4.70-4.95	June...	4.55-4.75 4.60-4.80 4.35-4.60 4.30-4.60	Sept...	6.65-6.90 7.20-7.50 6.90-7.20 7.00-7.30 6.90-7.20	Dec.....	7.65-7.90 7.90-8.20 7.25-7.50 7.60-7.90 7.90-8.20
						Average.	\$6.0909

## FLOUR: Wheat, standard patents, at Minneapolis.

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in wood, f. o. b. Minneapolis, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Jan.....	Price.	Apr....	Price.	July....	Price.	Oct.....	Price.
Jan.....	\$6.30-\$6.60 6.35-6.60 6.70-6.90 6.60-7.10	Apr....	\$6.05-\$6.50 6.00-6.65 5.90-6.35 5.90-6.40	July....	\$5.60-\$5.80 5.80-6.30 5.90-6.25 6.40-6.75	Oct.....	\$8.50-\$9.25 8.70-9.00 8.70-9.00 9.60-9.85 9.75-10.45
Feb.....	6.50-6.95 6.40-6.80 6.40-6.80 6.30-6.65	May....	6.20-6.50 6.20-6.50 6.10-6.40 5.90-6.10	Aug....	6.40-6.90 6.90-7.70 7.40-7.85 8.00-8.60 7.90-8.40	Nov.....	9.70-10.50 9.70-10.25 9.40-10.00 9.30-9.75
Mar.....	5.60-6.00 5.90-6.30 5.60-6.00 5.60-6.00 5.65-6.00	June...	5.90-6.10 5.70-6.00 5.60-6.00 5.60-5.90 5.50-5.80	Sept...	7.95-8.60 8.25-8.70 8.10-8.60 8.40-8.80	Dec.....	8.60-9.20 8.20-8.50 8.30-8.90 8.45-9.00
						Average.	\$7.2639

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**FLOUR: Wheat, second patents, at Minneapolis.**

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in wood, f. o. b. Minneapolis, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$6.10-\$6.40 6.20-6.45 6.55-6.75 6.50-6.95	Apr....	\$5.90-\$6.35 5.85-6.50 5.75-6.20 5.75-6.25	July....	\$5.45-\$5.65 5.70-6.15 5.75-6.10 6.25-6.60	Oct....	\$8.40-\$9.10 8.60-8.75 8.60-8.75 9.00-9.35 9.75-10.25
Feb....	6.40-6.80 6.20-6.65 6.20-6.65 6.10-6.50 5.45-5.85	May....	6.10-6.25 6.05-6.30 6.05-6.25 5.75-5.95 5.75-5.95	Aug....	6.25-6.75 6.80-7.00 7.25-7.70 7.80-8.40 7.70-8.20	Nov....	9.55-10.15 9.55-10.10 9.20-9.85 9.15-9.60
Mar....	5.75-6.15 5.45-5.85 5.45-5.85 5.50-5.85	June...	5.50-5.80 5.40-5.80 5.40-5.70 5.35-5.65	Sept...	7.80-8.45 8.10-8.55 7.95-8.45 8.25-8.65	Dec....	8.45-8.90 8.00-8.60 8.20-8.70 8.25-8.75
						Average.	\$7.0899

**FLOUR: Wheat, first patents, from soft wheat, at St. Louis.**

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in cotton, f. o. b. St. Louis, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Jan....	\$5.35-\$5.55 5.50-5.75 5.50-5.75 5.70-5.95	Apr....	\$5.15-\$5.40 5.20-5.40 5.20-5.40 5.20-5.40 5.20-5.40	July....	\$4.85-\$5.00 4.85-5.00 5.10-5.20 5.30-5.60 5.65-5.90	Oct....	\$7.35-\$7.60 7.35-7.60 7.60-7.90 7.40-8.65
Feb....	5.70-5.95 5.75-5.95 5.65-5.90 5.50-5.75	May....	5.10-5.30 5.10-5.30 5.10-5.30 5.10-5.30	Aug....	6.00-6.25 6.25-6.50 6.25-6.50 6.80-7.25	Nov....	8.40-8.65 8.40-8.65 8.50-9.00 8.40-8.75
Mar....	5.25-5.50 5.25-5.50 5.15-5.40 5.15-5.40	June...	4.85-5.00 4.85-5.00 5.00-5.15 5.00-5.15	Sept...	7.00-7.25 7.20-7.55 7.15-7.35 7.25-7.50 7.25-7.50	Dec....	8.40-8.75 8.40-8.75 8.00-8.50 8.00-8.50 8.20-8.50
						Average.	\$6.3538

**FLOUR: Wheat, second patents, from soft wheat, at St. Louis.**

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in cotton, f. o. b. St. Louis, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Jan....	\$5.10-\$5.25 5.25-5.40 5.25-5.40 5.45-5.60	Apr....	\$4.75-\$5.00 4.85-5.00 4.85-5.00 4.85-5.00 4.85-5.00	July....	\$4.65-\$4.80 4.65-4.80 4.75-4.90 5.00-5.15 5.25-5.40	Oct....	\$7.10-\$7.20 7.10-7.20 7.25-7.40 8.00-8.25
Feb....	5.45-5.60 5.45-5.60 5.35-5.50 5.25-5.40	May....	4.75-4.90 4.75-4.90 4.75-4.90 4.75-4.90	Aug....	5.50-5.75 5.90-6.10 5.90-6.10 6.25-6.50	Nov....	8.00-8.25 8.00-8.25 8.10-8.30 8.10-8.25
Mar....	5.00-5.10 5.00-5.10 4.80-4.95 4.80-4.95	June...	4.60-4.70 4.60-4.70 4.65-4.80 4.65-4.80	Sept...	6.40-6.65 6.80-7.00 6.70-6.90 6.75-6.95 6.75-6.95	Dec....	8.10-8.25 8.10-8.25 7.60-7.90 7.60-7.90 7.60-7.90
						Average.	\$5.9654

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## FLOUR: Wheat, patent, from soft winter wheat, at Toledo.

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in wood, f. o. b. Toledo, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$6.00-\$6.10 6.10- 6.15 6.30- 6.40 6.40- 6.50	Apr....	\$5.45-\$5.60 5.70- 5.80 5.65- 5.75 5.60- 5.60 5.55- 5.75	July....	\$5.00-\$5.10 5.00- 5.15 5.40- 5.50 5.80- 5.85 6.00- 6.10	Oct....	\$7.30-\$7.60 7.30- 7.50 7.80- 8.00 8.60- 9.05
Feb....	6.30- 6.40 6.00- 6.10 6.00- 6.10 5.60- 5.65	May....	5.50- 5.65 5.65- 5.70 5.40- 5.60 5.35- 5.45	Aug....	6.60- 6.70 6.90- 7.10 7.20- 7.40 7.25- 7.35	Nov....	8.50- 8.80 8.70- 9.05 8.40- 8.65 8.50- 8.75
Mar....	5.45- 5.45 5.30- 5.35 5.20- 5.20 5.25- 5.30	June...	5.10- 5.20 5.10- 5.25 4.90- 4.95 4.90- 4.95	Sept....	7.00- 7.20 7.30- 7.35 7.05- 7.15 7.20- 7.40 7.20- 7.35	Dec....	7.90- 8.10 8.20- 8.35 7.50- 7.60 7.90- 8.15 8.20- 8.45
						Average.	\$6.5197

## FLOUR: Wheat, straight, from soft winter wheat, at Toledo.

[Price per barrel of 196 pounds, in wood, f. o. b. Toledo, on Saturday of each week; quotations from the Weekly Northwestern Miller.]

Jan....	\$5.90-\$6.00 6.00- 6.05 6.20- 6.30 6.30- 6.40	Apr....	\$5.35-\$5.50 5.60- 5.70 5.55- 5.65 5.50- 5.50 5.45- 5.65	July....	\$4.90-\$5.00 4.90- 5.05 5.30- 5.40 5.70- 5.75 5.90- 6.00	Oct....	\$7.20-\$7.50 7.20- 7.40 7.70- 7.90 8.50- 8.95
Feb....	6.20- 6.30 5.90- 6.00 5.90- 6.00 5.50- 5.55	May....	5.40- 5.55 5.55- 5.60 5.30- 5.40 5.25- 5.35	Aug....	6.50- 6.60 6.80- 7.00 7.10- 7.30 7.15- 7.25	Nov....	8.40- 8.70 8.60- 8.95 8.30- 8.55 8.40- 8.65
Mar....	5.35- 5.35 5.20- 5.25 5.10- 5.10 5.15- 5.20	June...	5.00- 5.10 5.00- 5.15 4.80- 4.85 4.80- 4.85	Sept....	6.90- 7.10 7.20- 7.25 6.95- 7.05 7.10- 7.30 7.10- 7.25	Dec....	7.80- 8.00 8.10- 8.25 7.40- 7.50 7.80- 8.05 8.10- 8.35
						Average.	\$6.4197

## FRUIT: Apples, evaporated, choice.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan....	\$0.07 $\frac{1}{2}$ - \$0.07 $\frac{3}{4}$	Apr....	\$0.05 $\frac{1}{2}$ - \$0.06 $\frac{1}{2}$	July....	\$0.06 - \$0.06 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oct....	\$0.06 $\frac{1}{2}$
Feb....	.06 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .07 $\frac{1}{4}$	May....	.05 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .06 $\frac{1}{4}$	Aug....	.05 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .06 $\frac{1}{4}$	Nov....	\$0.07 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .07 $\frac{1}{4}$
Mar....	.06 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .06 $\frac{3}{4}$	June...	.06 - .06 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sept....	.06 - .06 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dec....	.08 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .08 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.0673

## FRUIT: Apples, fresh, Baldwin.

[Price per barrel, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan....	\$2.50-\$3.25 2.50- 3.00 2.50- 3.00 2.75- 3.25	Apr....	\$3.00-\$3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00 3.00	July....	\$3.00-\$3.50 3.00- 3.50 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> )	Oct....	( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) \$3.50-\$4.00
Feb....	2.75- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25	May....	3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25	Aug....	( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> )	Nov....	3.00- 3.50 3.00- 3.75 3.00- 3.75 3.00- 3.75
Mar....	3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.25	June...	3.00- 3.25 3.00- 3.50 3.00- 3.50 3.00- 3.50	Sept....	( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>1</sup> )	Dec....	3.00- 3.75 3.00- 3.75 3.00- 3.75 3.00- 3.75
						Average.	\$3.1678

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

FOOD—Continued.

FRUIT: Bananas, Jamaica, 8s.

[Price per bunch, at New York, ex dock f. o. b., on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.50-\$0.60	Apr....	\$0.70-\$0.80	July....	\$1.15-\$1.30	Oct.....	\$0.90-\$1.10
Feb.....	.80-.90	May....	.90-1.05	Aug....	.95-1.10	Nov.....	.90-1.10
Mar.....	.80-.90	June...	.90-1.05	Sept....	(1)	Dec.....	.90-1.10
						Average.	\$0.9273

FRUIT: Currants, uncleaned, in barrels.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.08½-\$0.09	Apr....	\$0.10-\$0.10½	July....	\$0.12½-\$0.12½	Oct.....	\$0.15
Feb.....	.80-.09½	May....	.10½-.10½	Aug....	.12½-.13	Nov.....	\$0.17½-.18½
Mar.....	.09½-.09½	June...	.10½-.10½	Sept....	.12½-.13	Dec.....	.17-.18
						Average.	\$0.1231

FRUIT: Lemons, California.

[Price per box, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan.....	\$3.75-\$4.00	Apr....	\$2.50-\$2.75	July....	\$3.75-\$4.00	Oct.....	\$4.50-\$5.00
	3.75-4.00		2.75-3.00		3.50-4.00		4.50-5.00
	3.75-4.00		3.25		7.00-7.50		4.50-5.00
	3.75-4.00		2.75-3.00		7.00-7.50		4.50-5.00
Feb.....	3.50-4.00	May...	2.50-3.00	Aug....	7.00-7.50	Nov.....	5.00-5.50
	3.75-4.00		2.50-2.75		7.25-7.75		4.75-5.00
	3.75-4.00		2.75-3.25		7.25-7.75		4.75-5.00
	3.00-3.25		3.00-3.25		7.00-7.50		3.00-3.50
	2.75-3.00		3.50-3.75		6.50-7.00		
Mar.....	2.00-2.25	June...	3.75-4.00	Sept...	6.50-7.00	Dec.....	3.00-4.00
	2.00-2.25		3.75-4.00		6.50-7.00		3.00-3.25
	2.50-2.75		3.75-4.00		6.00-6.25		3.00-3.25
	2.50-2.75		3.75-4.00		5.50-6.00		3.00-3.25
						Average.	\$4.3053

FRUIT: Oranges, California (Valencias from second week in June through fourth week in November, navels during remainder of year).

[Price per box, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan.....	\$2.25-\$3.25	Apr....	\$2.00-\$2.50	July....	\$3.50-\$4.00	Oct.....	\$4.00-\$5.25
	2.25-3.25		2.25-2.50		3.50-4.00		4.00-5.25
	2.25-3.25		2.00-2.50		3.85-4.40		4.00-5.25
	2.50-2.75		2.00-2.50		4.00-4.50		4.50-5.50
Feb.....	3.00-3.25	May....	2.00-2.50	Aug....	4.00-4.50	Nov.....	4.75-5.75
	2.75-3.00		2.00-2.25		4.00-4.50		4.50-5.50
	2.25-2.50		2.00-2.50		4.25-4.75		4.50-5.50
	2.00-2.25		2.25-2.75		4.25-4.75		4.00-4.50
	2.00-2.25		2.50-3.00		4.25-4.75		
Mar.....	2.25	June...	2.75-3.25	Sept...	4.50-5.25	Dec.....	3.00-3.75
	2.25-2.50		3.75-4.25		4.50-5.25		3.00-3.50
	2.50-3.00		3.50-4.00		4.50-5.25		2.75-3.25
	2.00-2.50		3.50-3.85		4.00-5.25		2.00-2.50
						Average.	\$3.4841

FRUIT: Prunes, California, 60s to 70s, in 25-pound boxes.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.07	Apr....	\$0.06½-\$0.06½	July....	\$0.07½	Oct.....	\$0.07½-\$0.08
Feb.....	\$0.07-.07½	May....	.06½-.07	Aug....	.07½	Nov.....	.08½
Mar.....	.06½-.07	June...	.06½-.07	Sept...	\$0.07-.07½	Dec.....	.08½
						Average.	\$0.0736

1 No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## FRUIT: Raisins, California, coast seeded (bulk).

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.07½-\$0.07½	Apr....	\$0.07-\$0.07½	July....	\$0.07-\$0.07½	Oct.....	\$0.07	
Feb.....	.07½-.07½	May....	.07-.07½	Aug....	.07-.07½	Nov.....	( <sup>1</sup> ) .08	
Mar.....	.07½-.07½	June...	.07-.07½	Sept....	.07-.07½	Dec.....	.08	
							Average.	\$0.0726

## GLUCOSE: 42° mixing.

[Price per 100 pounds, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$2.26	Apr....	\$2.21	July....	\$2.31	Oct.....	\$2.71	
Feb.....	2.31	May....	2.41	Aug....	2.61	Nov.....	3.31	
Mar.....	2.31	June...	2.31	Sept....	2.91	Dec.....	3.21	
							Average.	\$2.5725

## LARD: Prime, contract.

[Price per pound, at New York, on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the statistician of the New York Produce Exchange.]

Jan.....	\$0.1005-\$0.1015	Apr....	\$0.1170-\$0.1180	July....	( <sup>2</sup> ) \$0.1320-\$0.1330	Oct.....	\$0.1480-\$0.1490	
	.1030-.1040		.1175-.1185		.1320-.1330		.1515-.1525	
	.1075-.1085		.1205-.1215		.1285-.1295		.1540-.1550	
	.1045-.1055		.1270-.1280				.1620-.1630	
Feb.....	.1000-.1010	May....	.1320-.1330	Aug....	.1280-.1290	Nov.....	( <sup>2</sup> ) .1710-.1720	
	.1010-.1020		.1325-.1335		.1330-.1340		.1740-.1750	
	.1020-.1030		.1310-.1320		.1375-.1385		.1715-.1725	
	( <sup>2</sup> ) .1050-.1060		.1300-.1310		.1410-.1420		.1720-.1730	
	.1075-.1085		.1280-.1290		.1425-.1435			
Mar.....	.1100-.1110	June...	.1250-.1260	Sept....	.1490-.1510	Dec.....	.1720-.1730	
	.1150-.1160		.1305-.1315		.1450-.1460		.1700-.1710	
	.1180-.1190		.1330-.1340		.1480-.1490		.1650-.1660	
			.1335-.1345		.1510-.1520		.1640-.1650	
							Average.	\$0.1347

## MEAL: Corn, fine white.

[Price per 100 pounds, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$1.70-\$1.75	Apr....	\$2.00	July....	\$1.95	Oct.....	\$2.10	
Feb.....	1.90	May....	2.10	Aug....	2.00	Nov.....	\$2.55-2.65	
Mar.....	1.90	June...	1.85	Sept....	2.10	Dec.....	2.70-2.80	
							Average.	\$2.0813

## MEAL: Corn, fine yellow.

[Price per 100 pounds, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$1.70-\$1.75	Apr....	\$1.95	July....	\$1.90	Oct.....	\$2.10	
Feb.....	1.90	May....	2.00	Aug....	2.00	Nov.....	\$2.55-2.65	
Mar.....	1.90	June...	1.80	Sept....	2.10	Dec.....	2.70-2.80	
							Average.	\$2.0604

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.<sup>2</sup> Holiday.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**MEAT: Bacon, short clear sides, smoked, loose.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.12-\$0.12 $\frac{1}{2}$	Apr....	\$0.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.14	July....	\$0.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.15 $\frac{3}{4}$	Oct.....	\$0.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.16 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.12 - .12 $\frac{1}{2}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$
	.12 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .12 $\frac{3}{8}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{3}{8}$ - .15 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$
	.12 $\frac{3}{8}$ - .12 $\frac{1}{2}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{3}{4}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$		.16 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$
Feb.....	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .12 $\frac{3}{4}$	May....	.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14 $\frac{3}{4}$	Aug....	.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$	Nov....	.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.12 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .12 $\frac{1}{2}$		.14 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .15 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$
	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .12 $\frac{3}{4}$		.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14 $\frac{3}{4}$		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$		.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.13 - .13 $\frac{1}{4}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .17
	.13 - .13 $\frac{1}{2}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$		.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .17
Mar.....	.13 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{2}$	June...	.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sept...	.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$	Dec.....	.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{3}{4}$		.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14 $\frac{3}{4}$		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{2}$		.14 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .15		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .15 $\frac{1}{2}$
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{3}{4}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$		.16 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 - .15 $\frac{1}{4}$
						Average.	\$0.1487

**MEAT: Bacon, rough sides, smoked, loose.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.11 $\frac{3}{4}$	Apr....	\$0.13-\$0.13 $\frac{1}{2}$	July....	\$0.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.15 $\frac{3}{4}$	Oct.....	\$0.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.16 $\frac{1}{4}$
	.12 - .12 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{3}{4}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.12 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .12 $\frac{1}{2}$		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .15 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .16
	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .12 $\frac{3}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{3}{4}$		.15 - .15 $\frac{1}{4}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16
Feb.....	.12 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .12 $\frac{1}{2}$	May....	.14 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15	Aug....	.15 - .15 $\frac{1}{4}$	Nov....	.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$
	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .12 $\frac{3}{4}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 - .15 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$
	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .12 $\frac{3}{4}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16		.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.12 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{4}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .15 $\frac{1}{2}$		.16 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .16 $\frac{1}{2}$
	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{4}$		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16		.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$
Mar.....	.12 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{4}$	June...	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	Sept...	.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$	Dec.....	.16 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.13 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{2}$		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .16		.15 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .16
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .13 $\frac{3}{4}$		.14 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .14 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .16		.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .13 $\frac{1}{2}$		.15 $\frac{1}{4}$ - .15 $\frac{3}{4}$		.16 - .16 $\frac{1}{4}$		.14 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .15
						Average.	\$0.1462

**MEAT: Beef, fresh carcass, good native steers.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on Friday of each week; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.14	Apr....	\$0.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.14	July....	\$0.14-\$0.14 $\frac{1}{4}$	Oct.....	\$0.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ -\$0.14
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
Feb.....	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	May....	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	Aug....	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	Nov....	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14
Mar.....	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	June...	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	Sept...	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14	Dec.....	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{3}{4}$ - .14
	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.14 - .14 $\frac{1}{4}$		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14		.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ - .14
						Average.	\$0.1382

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**MEAT: Beef, fresh, native sides.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the New York Tribune.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.10-\$0.14 .10 - .14 .11 - .14½ .11 - .14½	Apr....	\$0.11½-\$0.14½ .11 - .14½ .11 - .14½ .11 - .14½	July....	\$0.12½-\$0.16 .12½ - .16 .13 - .16 .13 - .15	Oct.....	\$0.11-\$0.14½ .11 - .15 .11 - .15 .11 - .15
Feb.....	.11 - .14 (1) .10 - .14½ (1) .10½ - .14	May....	.11 - .14½ .11 - .14½ .11½ - .14½ .13 - .15 (1)	Aug....	.13 - .15½ .12½ - .15 .13 - .15½ .12½ - .15½ .12½ - .15	Nov....	.11 - .15½ .11 - .15½ .11 - .15½ .11 - .15½ .11 - .15½
Mar.....	(1) .11 - .14½ (1) .11½ - .14½	June....	.14 - .16 .14 - .16½ .14 - .16½ .13 - .16	Sept....	.12½ - .16 .12½ - .16 .12 - .15½ .11½ - .15	Dec.....	.11 - .15½ .11 - .15½ .11 - .15½ .11 - .15½
						Average.	\$0.1339

**MEAT: Beef, salt, extra mess.**

[Average weekly price per barrel of 200 pounds, at New York; quotations furnished by the statistician of the New York Produce Exchange.]

Jan.....	\$16.50-\$17.00 16.50-17.00 16.50-17.00 16.50-17.00	Apr....	\$16.50-\$17.50 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50	July....	(2) \$18.00-\$18.50 18.00-18.50 18.00-18.50	Oct.....	\$21.00-\$21.50 21.00-21.50 21.50-22.00 23.00-24.00 22.50-23.00
Feb.....	16.50-17.00 16.50-17.00 16.50-17.00 (2)	May....	16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50	Aug....	18.00-18.50 18.00-18.50 18.00-18.50 19.50-20.00 20.00-20.50	Nov....	(2) 22.50-23.00 22.50-23.00 22.50-23.00
Mar.....	16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50	June....	16.50-17.50 16.50-17.50 17.00-17.50 17.00-17.50	Sept....	20.00-20.50 20.50-21.00 20.50-21.00 21.00-21.50	Dec.....	23.00-23.50 23.00-23.50 23.00-23.50 23.00-23.50
						Average.	\$18.9388

**MEAT: Hams, smoked, loose.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan.....	\$0.14½-\$0.16 .15½ - .16 .15½ - .16 .16½ - .17	Apr....	\$0.17½-\$0.18½ .17½ - .18½ .18 - .19 .18 - .18½	July....	\$0.18½-\$0.19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½	Oct.....	\$0.19 - \$0.19½ .19 - .19½ .19 - .19½ .19 - .19½
Feb.....	.16½ - .17 .16½ - .17 .16½ - .17 .16½ - .17 .16½ - .17	May....	.18 - .19 .18 - .19 .18 - .19 .18 - .19 .17½ - .18½	Aug....	.18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½	Nov....	.20 - .20½ .20 - .20½ .20 - .20½ .20 - .20½ .20½ - .20½
Mar.....	.16½ - .17 .16½ - .17 .17 - .18 .17½ - .18½ .18 - .19	June....	.18 - .19 .18 - .19 .18 - .19 .18 - .19 .18 - .19	Sept....	.18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½ .18½ - .19½	Dec.....	.20 - .20½ .20 - .20½ .19½ - .20 .19 - .19½
						Average.	\$0.1850

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

<sup>2</sup> Holiday.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**MEAT: Lamb, dressed, round.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on Friday of each week; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.16 .16½ .17½ .17½	Apr....	\$0.18½ .19 .19 .19	July....	\$0.19 .19 .18 .18	Oct.....	\$0.17 .17 .17 .17
Feb.....	.17½ .18 .18 .18	May....	.18½ .18½ .19 .19	Aug....	.18½ .20 .20 .20	Nov.....	.16½ .17 .18 .18
Mar.....	.18 .18 .18½ .18½	June...	.19 .19 .20 .20	Sept...	.19 .19 .19 .18	Dec.....	.17½ .18 .18 .18
						Average.	\$0.1829

**MEAT: Mutton, dressed.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the New York Tribune.]

Jan.....	\$0.09 - \$0.12	Apr....	\$0.10 - \$0.15	July....	\$0.11 - \$0.15½	Oct.....	\$0.10 - \$0.15
	.10 - .12½		.11 - .15		.11 - .15		.10 - .15
	.10 - .12½		.11 - .16		.10 - .15		.10 - .15
	.10 - .12½		.11 - .16		.12½ - .15		.11 - .14
Feb.....	.09½ - .12	May....	.11 - .16	Aug....	.12½ - .15½	Nov.....	.10 - .13
	.10 - .14		.12 - .16		.13 - .15½		.10 - .13
	.10 - .14		.12½ - .16½		.12 - .14		.11 - .14
	.10 - .14		.12½ - .17		.11 - .14		.11 - .14
	.10 - .14		.12 - .16		.08 - .14		.11 - .14
Mar.....	.10 - .14	June...	.10 - .13	Sept...	.09 - .15	Dec.....	.11 - .14
	.10 - .14		.10 - .14		.09 - .15		.11 - .14½
	.10 - .14		(1)		.10 - .16		.11 - .14½
	.10 - .14		.11 - .16		.10 - .15½		.10 - .14
						Average.	\$0.1250

**MEAT: Pork, salt, mess, old to new.**

[Price per barrel of 200 pounds, at New York, on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the statistician of the New York Produce Exchange.]

Jan.....	\$19.00-\$19.50	Apr....	\$24.00-\$24.50	July....	(2)	Oct.....	\$30.00-\$31.00
	19.00-19.50		24.00-24.50		\$26.50-\$27.50		30.00-31.00
	20.00-20.50		24.50-25.00		27.00-27.50		30.50-31.00
	20.00-20.50		24.50-25.00		27.00-27.50		31.00-32.00
Feb.....	20.00-20.50	May....	25.50-26.00	Aug....	28.00-28.50	Nov.....	31.00-32.00
	20.00-20.50		25.50-26.00		28.00-28.50		(3)
	20.00-20.50		25.50-26.00		28.50-29.00		31.00-32.00
	(3)		25.50-26.00		29.00-29.50		31.00-32.00
	22.00-22.50		25.50-26.00		29.50-30.00		31.00-32.00
Mar.....	23.00-24.00	June...	25.50-26.00	Sept...	29.50-30.00	Dec.....	31.50-32.00
	24.00-24.50		25.50-26.00		30.00-31.00		31.50-32.00
	24.00-24.50		25.50-26.50		30.00-31.00		31.50-32.00
	24.00-24.50		25.50-26.50		30.00-31.00		31.50-32.00
						Average.	\$26.7704

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

<sup>2</sup> Holiday.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**MEAT: Poultry, dressed fowls, iced.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$0.14 - \$0.15 .15 - .16 .15 - .16 .14 - .15	Apr....	\$0.17 - \$0.18 .18½ - .19 .18½ - .19 .17½ - .18	July....	\$0.16½ - \$0.17 .16½ - .17 .18 - .18 .18	Oct....	\$0.17 - \$0.17½ .15½ - .16 .15 - .16 .15 - .16 .15½ - .16½
Feb....	.15 - .16 .15 - .16 .15 - .15½ .15½ - .16	May....	.19 - .19 .18 - .18½ .18 - .18½ .19½ - .20	Aug....	.17 - .17½ .17 - .18 .15 - .17 .15 - .16 .16 - .17½	Nov....	.13 - .14 .14 - .14½ .13½ - .14 .14 - .15
Mar....	.16 - .17 .16 - .17 .16 - .17 .16 - .16½	June...	.18½ - .19 .18 - .18½ .18 - .18 .17½ - .18	Sept...	.16 - .16½ .18 - .19 .18 - .19 .18 - .19 .16½ - .17	Dec....	.13 - .14 .15 - .16 .15 - .16 .17 - .17½
						Average.	\$0.1662

**MEAT: Poultry, dressed fowls, western, dry packed, dry picked, 48 to 55 pounds to the dozen.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on Friday of each week; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Jan....	\$0.16 .17½ .18½ .18½	Apr....	\$0.20 .21 .22 .22	July....	\$0.21½ .21½ .22 .22	Oct....	\$0.22½ .23 .23½ .23
Feb....	.19 - .19½ .19½ - .20 .19 - .19½ .18½	May....	.22½ .22 .22 .22	Aug....	\$0.21½ - .22 .21½ - .22 .21½ - .22 .22	Nov....	.22½ .22 .21 .22
Mar....	.18½ .19 - .19½ .19½ - .20 .19½ - .20	June...	\$0.22½ - .23 .22½ .23 .22½	Sept...	.21½ - .22½ .22 .22 .22½ .22½	Dec....	.22 .19½ .20½ .21½ .22
						Average.	\$0.2119

**MEAT: Veal, city dressed, good to prime.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on Friday of each week; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Jan....	\$0.18 .18 .18 .18	Apr....	\$0.17 .17 .17 .16½	July....	\$0.19 .19 .20 .20	Oct....	\$0.20 .20 .20 .18½
Feb....	.18 .19 .19 .19	May....	\$0.17 - .17½ .17 - .17½ .17 - .17½ .17 - .18	Aug....	.20 .20 .20 .20	Nov....	.18½ .19½ .20 - .20½ .20 - .20½
Mar....	.19 .19 .19 .19 .17	June...	.17 - .18 .17 - .18 .19 .19 .19	Sept...	.20 .21 .21 .21 .20	Dec....	.20½ - .21 .20½ - .21 .20½ - .21 .20½ - .21
						Average.	\$0.1903

**MILK: Fresh, at Chicago (vicinity).**

[Price per quart each month; net price at shipping station, computed from the price per 8-gallon can, delivered on the Chicago platform with the freight of 16½ cents per can prepaid; quotations from the Milk News.]

Jan....	\$0.0402	Apr....	\$0.0370	July....	\$0.0355	Oct....	\$0.0448
Feb....	.0386	May....	.0339	Aug....	.0386	Nov....	.0480
Mar....	.0355	June...	.0292	Sept...	.0386	Dec....	.0480
						Average.	\$0.0390

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**MILK: Fresh, at New York (vicinity).**

[Price per quart each month; net price at shipping station subject to freight rate to New York of 26 cents per can of 40 quarts; computed from quotations in the Milk Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.0413	Apr.....	\$0.0325	July....	\$0.0313	Oct.....	\$0.0500	
Feb.....	.0400	May.....	.0300	Aug.....	.0350	Nov.....	.0523	
Mar.....	.0375	June....	.0275	Sept....	.0365	Dec.....	.0523	
							Average.	\$0.0388

**MILK: Fresh, at San Francisco (vicinity).**

[Price per quart each month; net price at farmers' shipping station; quotations furnished by the State Dairy Bureau of California.]

Jan.....	\$0.0375	Apr.....	\$0.0375	July....	\$0.0375	Oct.....	\$0.0375	
Feb.....	.0375	May.....	.0375	Aug.....	.0375	Nov.....	.0375	
Mar.....	.0375	June....	.0375	Sept....	.0375	Dec.....	.0375	
							Average.	\$0.0375

**MOLASSES: New Orleans, open kettle.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.40-\$0.50	Apr.....	\$0.40-\$0.50	July....	\$0.40-\$0.50	Oct.....	\$0.40-\$0.50	
Feb.....	.40- .50	May.....	.40- .50	Aug.....	.40- .50	Nov.....	.40- .50	
Mar.....	.40- .50	June....	.40- .50	Sept....	.40- .50	Dec.....	.40- .50	
							Average.	\$0.4500

**OLEOMARGARINE: Standard quality, uncolored, in 1-pound cartons.**

[Price per pound, f. o. b. Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.17	Apr.....	\$0.18	July....	\$0.19	Oct.....	\$0.20	
Feb.....	.17	May.....	.19	Aug.....	.19	Nov.....	.22	
Mar.....	.17	June....	.19	Sept....	.19	Dec.....	.24	
							Average.	\$0.1917

**OLEO OIL: Extra.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Jan.....	\$0.12-\$0.12½	Apr.....	\$0.13-\$0.13½	July....	\$0.13-\$0.13½	Oct.....	\$0.14½	
Feb.....	.12½- .12½	May.....	.14½	Aug.....	.13- .13½	Nov.....	.16	
Mar.....	.12½- .12½	June....	.13- .13½	Sept....	.14- .14½	Dec.....	.19	
							Average.	\$0.1399

**OLIVE OIL: French, bulk.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$1.75-\$1.90	Apr.....	\$1.75-\$1.85	July....	\$1.75-\$1.85	Oct.....	\$1.75-\$1.95	
Feb.....	1.85- 2.00	May.....	1.75- 1.85	Aug.....	1.75- 1.85	Nov.....	1.75- 1.95	
Mar.....	1.75- 1.85	June....	1.75- 1.85	Sept....	1.75- 1.95	Dec.....	2.00	
							Average.	\$1.8417

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Continued.

## OLIVE OIL: Italian.

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.90-\$2.35	Apr....	\$1.85-\$2.35	July....	\$1.85-\$2.35	Oct.....	\$1.85	
Feb.....	1.85- 2.35	May....	1.85- 2.35	Aug....	1.85- 2.35	Nov.....	1.85	
Mar.....	1.85- 2.35	June...	1.85- 2.35	Sept....	1.90	Dec.....	2.00	
							Average.	\$2.0354

## RICE: Honduras, head.

[Price per pound, at New Orleans, on the first of each month; quotations from the Times-Picayune.]

Jan.....	\$0.04-\$0.05	Apr....	\$0.04-\$0.05½	July....	\$0.04-\$0.05½	Oct.....	\$0.04-\$0.04½	
Feb.....	.04- .05	May....	.04- .05½	Aug....	.04- .05	Nov.....	.04- .05	
Mar.....	.04- .05½	June...	.04- .05½	Sept....	.04- .04½	Dec.....	.04½- .05½	
							Average.	\$0.0454

## SALT: American, medium.

[Price per barrel of 280 pounds, at Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.07	Apr....	\$1.17	July....	\$1.17	Oct.....	\$1.17	
Feb.....	1.07	May....	1.17	Aug....	1.17	Nov.....	1.17	
Mar.....	1.07	June...	1.17	Sept....	1.17	Dec.....	1.17	
							Average.	\$1.1450

## SODA: Bicarbonate of, American.

[Price per pound, f. o. b. works, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.0120	Apr....	\$0.0165	July....	\$0.0165	Oct.....	\$0.0165	
Feb.....	.0150	May....	.0165	Aug....	.0165	Nov.....	.0165	
Mar.....	.0160	June...	.0150	Sept....	.0165	Dec.....	.0165	
							Average.	\$0.0158

## SPICES: Pepper, black, Singapore.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.16	Apr....	\$0.19-\$0.19½	July....	\$0.17½-\$0.17½	Oct.....	\$0.17-\$0.17½	
Feb.....	.16- .16½	May....	.17½- .18	Aug....	.17- .17½	Nov.....	.16½- .17	
Mar.....	.19½- .19½	June...	.17- .17½	Sept....	.17- .17½	Dec.....	.19½- .20	
							Average.	\$0.1760

## STARCH: Corn, for culinary purposes, 40 1-pound packages in box.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.06½	Apr....	\$0.06½	July....	\$0.06½	Oct.....	\$0.07½	
Feb.....	.06½	May....	.06½	Aug....	.06½	Nov.....	.07½	
Mar.....	.06½	June...	.06½	Sept....	.07	Dec.....	.07½	
							Average.	\$0.0679



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FOOD—Continued.**

**SUGAR: 96° centrifugal.**

[Net price per pound, at New York, on Thursday of each week, including import duty of 1.256 cents per pound; quotations from Willett & Gray's Weekly Statistical Sugar Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	M6nth.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.0455 .0452 .0477 .0477	Apr....	\$0.0596 .0602 .0615 .0646	July....	\$0.0627 .0640 .0627 .0627	Oct.....	\$0.0602 .0608 .0627 .0665
Feb.....	.0483 .0483 .0508 .0489	May....	.0652 .0652 .0640 .0627	Aug....	.0575 .0577 .0575 .0575	Nov.....	.0646 .0652 .0640 .0601
Mar.....	.0527 .0539 .0589 .0571 .0596	June...	.0633 .0621 .0640 .0627 .0640	Sept....	.0489 .0514 .0527 .0589 .0589	Dec.....	.0564 .0569 .0527 .0514 .0514
						Average.	\$0.0579

**SUGAR: Granulated, in barrels.**

[Net price per pound, f. o. b. New York, on Thursday of each week, including import duty of 1.90 cents per pound; quotations from Willett & Gray's Weekly Statistical Sugar Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$0.0583 .0564 .0573 .0573	Apr....	\$0.0686 .0701 .0711 .0725	July....	\$0.0750 .0750 .0750 .0750	Oct.....	\$0.0676 .0701 .0720 .0735
Feb.....	.0588 .0588 .0598 .0613	May....	.0735 .0750 .0750 .0750	Aug....	.0730 .0711 .0686 .0686 .0686	Nov.....	.0735 .0735 .0735 .0735 .0735
Mar.....	.0622 .0637 .0676 .0676 .0686	June...	.0750 .0750 .0715 .0715 .0750	Sept....	.0613 .0627 .0647 .0662	Dec.....	.0706 .0701 .0691 .0671
						Average.	\$0.0688

**TALLOW: Packers' prime.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the National Provisioner.]

Jan.....	\$0.08½-\$0.08½	Apr....	\$0.10-\$0.10½	July....	\$0.09½-\$0.09½	Oct.....	\$0.10½-\$0.10½
Feb.....	.09½-.09½	May....	.10½-.11½	Aug....	.08-.08½	Nov.....	.11½-.11½
Mar.....	.09-.09½	June...	.10½-.10½	Sept....	.08½-.09	Dec.....	.11½-.11½
						Average.	\$0.0989

**TEA: Formosa, fine.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.23-\$0.25	Apr....	\$0.23-\$0.25	July....	\$0.23-\$0.25	Oct.....	\$0.23-\$0.25
Feb.....	.23-.25	May....	.23-.25	Aug....	.23-.25	Nov.....	.23-.25
Mar.....	.23-.25	June...	.23-.25	Sept....	.23-.25	Dec.....	.23-.25
						Average.	\$0.2400

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## FOOD—Concluded.

VEGETABLES, FRESH: Cabbage, white (range of domestic-grown cabbage from native and Danish seed).

[Price per ton (2,000 pounds), at New York, on Friday of each week; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan....	\$3.00-\$9.00 8.00-14.00 8.00-12.00 8.00-12.00	Apr....	\$6.00-\$10.00 6.00-10.00 10.00-20.00 10.00-20.00	July....	(1) (1) (1) (1)	Oct....	\$35.00-\$40.00 35.00-40.00 35.00-40.00 45.00-50.00
Feb....	7.00-10.00 7.00-11.00 7.00-11.00	May....	10.00-20.00 10.00-25.00 (1) (1)	Aug....	(1) (1) (1) (1)	Nov....	40.00-50.00 25.00-42.00 30.00-55.00 30.00-60.00
Mar....	10.00-20.00 10.00-20.00 10.00-18.00 10.00-18.00 10.00-15.00	June...	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1)	Sept....	(1) (1) (1) (1) \$30.00-\$35.00 30.00-35.00	Dec....	30.00-60.00 40.00-60.00 40.00-55.00 40.00-55.00 50.00-75.00
						Average.	\$25.4412

## VEGETABLES, FRESH: Onions.

[Price per 65 to 70 pound sack, at Chicago, on the first of each month; quotations from the Chicago Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan....	\$1.00-\$1.25	Apr....	\$1.00-\$1.25	July....	(1)	Oct....	\$1.25-\$1.50
Feb....	1.50	May....	.50-.75	Aug....	\$1.00-\$1.35	Nov....	1.75-2.00
Mar....	1.00-1.25	June....	(1)	Sept....	1.15-1.25	Dec....	2.00
						Average.	\$1.3125

## VEGETABLES, FRESH: Potatoes, white, good to choice.

[Price per bushel, at Chicago, on Tuesday of each week; quotations from the Daily Trade Bulletin.]

Jan....	\$0.85-\$0.95 1.00-1.08 1.00-1.10 .95-1.00	Apr....	\$0.85-\$0.93 .80-.95 .65-.85 .80-.95	July....	\$0.75-\$0.90 .95-1.00 .80-.85 .80-.85	Oct....	\$1.10-\$1.15 1.15-1.25 1.10-1.35 1.30-1.50
Feb....	.90-.98 .95-1.05 .92-1.00 .82-.90 .87-.93	May....	.88-.96 .85-.92 .85-.92 1.00-1.10 1.00-1.05	Aug....	.85-.90 1.00-1.20 1.00-1.05 1.05-1.30 1.25-1.40	Nov....	1.45-1.65 1.40-1.60 1.50-1.70 1.50-1.70 1.40-1.65
Mar....	.92-1.00 .90-.98 .85-.95 .88-.95	June...	.88-1.05 .92-1.10 1.00-1.20 .95-1.10	Sept....	1.40-1.65 1.25-1.45 1.25-1.45 1.20-1.30	Dec....	1.40-1.68 1.40-1.60 1.25-1.60 1.35-1.65
						Average.	\$1.1108

## VINEGAR, CIDER: 40-grain, in 45-gallon barrels.

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan....	\$0.13½	Apr....	\$0.13½	July....	\$0.13½	Oct....	\$0.11½
Feb....	.13½	May....	.13½	Aug....	.13½	Nov....	.11½
Mar....	.13½	June....	.13½	Sept....	.13½	Dec....	.11½
						Average.	\$0.1300

1 No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING.**

**BAGS: Cotton, 2-bushel, Amoskeag, 16-ounce.**

[Price per bag on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.18	Apr.....	\$0.20	July....	\$0.20½	Oct.....	\$0.26	
Feb.....	.20	May.....	.20	Aug.....	.22	Nov.....	.28	
Mar.....	.20	June....	.20	Sept....	.24	Dec.....	.30	
							Average.	\$0.2238

**BLANKETS: All-wool, 11-4, 5 pounds to the pair.**

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.25	Apr.....	\$1.25	July....	\$1.50	Oct.....	\$1.50	
Feb.....	1.25	May.....	1.25	Aug.....	1.50	Nov.....	1.50	
Mar.....	1.25	June....	1.25	Sept....	1.50	Dec.....	1.50	
							Average.	\$1.3750

**BLANKETS: Cotton, colored, 2 pounds to the pair, 54 to 74 inches.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.64	Apr.....	\$0.64	July....	\$0.71	Oct.....	\$0.84	
Feb.....	.64	May.....	.71	Aug.....	.71	Nov.....	.90	
Mar.....	.64	June....	.71	Sept....	.74	Dec.....	.93	
							Average.	\$0.7342

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Men's split seamless Creedmores, ½-double sole, standard screw or pegged.**

[Price per pair to the jobber on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.2690	Apr.....	\$1.2925	July....	\$1.2925	Oct.....	\$1.3630	
Feb.....	1.2690	May.....	1.2925	Aug.....	1.3160	Nov.....	1.4100	
Mar.....	1.2925	June....	1.2925	Sept....	1.3160	Dec.....	1.4570	
							Average.	\$1.3219

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Men's vici calf, Goodyear welt, blucher, vici calf top, single sole.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$3.35	Apr.....	\$3.50	July....	\$3.75	Oct.....	\$4.00	
Feb.....	3.40	May.....	3.60	Aug.....	3.75	Nov.....	4.00	
Mar.....	3.45	June....	3.75	Sept....	3.75	Dec.....	4.25	
							Average.	\$3.7125

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Men's gun metal, Goodyear welt, blucher, mat cab. top, cap toe, ½-double sole, 1¼-inch heel.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.30	Apr.....	\$2.45	July....	\$2.65	Oct.....	\$2.95	
Feb.....	2.35	May.....	2.50	Aug.....	2.75	Nov.....	3.10	
Mar.....	2.40	June....	2.55	Sept....	2.85	Dec.....	3.25	
							Average.	\$2.6750

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Men's gun metal, Goodyear welt, button, mat calf top, cap toe,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -double sole,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch heel.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$2.95	Apr.....	\$3.10	July....	\$3.35	Oct.....	\$3.80	
Feb.....	3.00	May.....	3.15	Aug....	3.50	Nov.....	3.95	
Mar.....	3.05	June....	3.20	Sept...	3.65	Dec.....	4.15	
							Average.	\$3.4042

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Men's vic kid, Goodyear welt.**

[Price per pair to the jobber on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$3.25	Apr....	\$3.35	July....	\$3.50	Oct.....	\$3.70	
Feb.....	3.25	May....	3.40	Aug....	3.50	Nov.....	3.75	
Mar.....	3.35	June...	3.50	Sept...	3.60	Dec.....	3.90	
							Average.	\$3.5042

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Women's gun metal, Goodyear welt, button, mat cab. top, cap toe, single sole,  $\frac{3}{4}$  vamp,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch military heel.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$2.40	Apr....	\$2.55	July....	\$2.75	Oct.....	\$3.05	
Feb.....	2.45	May....	2.60	Aug....	2.85	Nov.....	3.15	
Mar.....	2.50	June...	2.65	Sept...	2.95	Dec.....	3.25	
							Average.	\$2.7625

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Women's patent leather pumps, McKay sewed, plain toe, single sole,  $\frac{3}{4}$  vamp, 2-inch Cuban heel.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.55	Apr....	\$1.75	July....	\$1.90	Oct.....	\$2.15	
Feb.....	1.60	May....	1.80	Aug....	1.95	Nov.....	2.25	
Mar.....	1.70	June...	1.85	Sept...	2.05	Dec.....	2.35	
							Average.	\$1.9083

**BOOTS AND SHOES: Women's gun metal, McKay sewed, button, mat cab. top, cap toe,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -double, medium sole,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch military heel.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.90	Apr....	\$2.05	July....	\$2.35	Oct.....	\$2.70	
Feb.....	1.95	May....	2.10	Aug....	2.40	Nov.....	2.85	
Mar.....	2.00	June...	2.15	Sept...	2.55	Dec.....	3.00	
							Average.	\$2.3333

**BROADCLOTH: First quality black, 54-inch, made from XXX wool, 16 ounces to the yard.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$2.55	Apr....	\$3.10	July....	\$3.10	Oct.....	\$3.10	
Feb.....	2.55	May....	3.10	Aug....	3.10	Nov.....	3.10	
Mar.....	3.10	June...	3.10	Sept...	3.10	Dec.....	3.10	
							Average.	\$3.0083

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.**

**CALICO: American standard prints, 28-inch, 64 by 64, 7 yards to the pound, in the gray.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.0546-\$0.0570	Apr....	\$0.0546-\$0.0618	July...	\$0.0570-\$0.0665	Oct.....	\$0.0641-\$0.0808
Feb.....	.0546-.0618	May....	.0570-.0665	Aug....	.0570-.0665	Nov.....	.0641-.0808
Mar.....	.0546-.0618	June...	.0570-.0665	Sept...	.0594-.0689	Dec.....	.0689-.0855
						Average.	\$0.0636

**CARPETS: Axminster, Lowell, 3-4.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.2480	Apr....	\$1.2480	July...	\$1.4400	Oct.....	\$1.4400
Feb.....	1.2480	May....	1.3440	Aug....	1.4400	Nov.....	1.5120
Mar.....	1.2480	June...	1.3440	Sept...	1.4400	Dec.....	1.5120
						Average.	\$1.3720

**CARPETS: Brussels, 5-frame, Bigelow.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.4160	Apr....	\$1.4400	July...	\$1.6080	Oct.....	\$1.6080
Feb.....	1.4160	May....	1.5360	Aug....	1.6080	Nov.....	1.6560
Mar.....	1.4400	June...	1.5360	Sept...	1.6080	Dec.....	1.6560
						Average.	\$1.5440

**CARPETS: Wilton, 5-frame, Bigelow.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.6400	Apr....	\$2.7360	July...	\$2.9280	Oct.....	\$2.9280
Feb.....	2.6400	May....	2.8800	Aug....	2.9280	Nov.....	3.1680
Mar.....	2.7360	June...	2.8800	Sept...	2.9280	Dec.....	3.1680
						Average.	\$2.8800

**COTTON FLANNELS: Colored, 26½-inch, 2½ yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.10½	Apr....	\$0.11½	July...	\$0.11½	Oct.....	\$0.13½
Feb.....	.10½	May....	.11½	Aug....	.11½	Nov.....	.13½
Mar.....	.10½	June...	.11½	Sept...	.11½	Dec.....	.15½
						Average.	\$0.1192

**COTTON FLANNELS: Unbleached, 31½-inch, 3½ yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.07½	Apr....	\$0.07½	July...	\$0.08½	Oct.....	\$0.10
Feb.....	.07½	May....	.08½	Aug....	.08½	Nov.....	.10
Mar.....	.07½	June...	.08½	Sept...	.08½	Dec.....	.10½
						Average.	\$0.0857

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.

## COTTON THREAD: 6-cord, white, 200-yard spools, J. &amp; P. Coats.

[Price per spool, freight paid, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.0359	Apr.....	\$0.0359	July....	\$0.0369	Oct.....	\$0.0369
Feb.....	.0359	May.....	.0359	Aug.....	.0369	Nov.....	.0385
Mar.....	.0359	June....	.0359	Sept....	.0369	Dec.....	.0385
						Average.	\$0.0367

## COTTON YARNS: Carded, white, mule-spun, northern, cones, 10/1.

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.21	Apr....	\$0.22½	July....	\$0.25½	Oct.....	\$0.30
Feb.....	.22½	May....	.24½	Aug....	.25½	Nov.....	.33½
Mar.....	.22	June....	.25	Sept....	.27½	Dec.....	.38½
						Average.	\$0.2646

## COTTON YARNS: Carded, white, mule-spun, northern, cones 22/1.

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.25½	Apr....	\$0.26½	July....	\$0.28½	Oct.....	\$0.33
Feb.....	.25½	May....	.27½	Aug....	.28½	Nov.....	.36½
Mar.....	.25½	June....	.28	Sept....	.30½	Dec.....	.41½
						Average.	\$0.2970

## DENIMS: Massachusetts, 28-inch, 2.20 yards to the pound.

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.20	Apr....	\$0.22	July....	\$0.23	Oct.....	\$0.24
Feb.....	.22	May....	.22	Aug....	.23	Nov.....	.25
Mar.....	.22	June....	.23	Sept....	.23	Dec.....	.25
						Average.	\$0.2283

## DRILLINGS: Brown, Pepperell, 28-inch, 2.85 yards to the pound.

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.08	Apr....	\$0.08½	July....	\$0.08½	Oct.....	\$0.09½
Feb.....	.08	May....	.08½	Aug....	.08½	Nov.....	.11½
Mar.....	.08½	June....	.08½	Sept....	.09	Dec.....	.12½
						Average.	\$0.0917

## DRILLINGS: Brown, Massachusetts D standard, 30-inch, 2.85 yards to the pound.

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.08	Apr....	\$0.08½	July....	\$0.09	Oct.....	\$0.11
Feb.....	.08	May....	.08½	Aug....	.09½	Nov.....	.12
Mar.....	.08½	June....	.08½	Sept....	.10	Dec.....	.12½
						Average.	\$0.0950

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.**

**FLANNELS: All-wool, white, 4-4, Ballard Vale, No. 3.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.4818	Apr.....	\$0.4900	July....	\$0.5162	Oct.....	\$0.5420	
Feb.....	.4818	May.....	.4900	Aug.....	.5162	Nov.....	.5420	
Mar.....	.4900	June....	.5162	Sept....	.5162	Dec.....	.6020	
							Average.	\$0.5154

**GINGHAMS: Amoskeag, 27-inch, 6.37 yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.07½	Apr.....	\$0.08	July....	\$0.08	Oct.....	\$0.08½	
Feb.....	.07½	May.....	.08	Aug.....	.08	Nov.....	.09	
Mar.....	.08	June....	.08	Sept....	.08	Dec.....	.09	
							Average.	\$0.0813

**GINGHAMS: Lancaster, 26½-inch, 6.50 yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.06½	Apr.....	\$0.07½	July....	\$0.07½	Oct.....	\$0.07½	
Feb.....	.07	May.....	.07½	Aug.....	.07½	Nov.....	.07½	
Mar.....	.07	June....	.07½	Sept....	.07½	Dec.....	.08½	
							Average.	\$0.0744

**HORSE BLANKETS: All wool, 6 pounds each.**

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.85	Apr.....	\$0.85	July....	\$1.10	Oct.....	\$1.10	
Feb.....	.85	May.....	.85	Aug.....	1.10	Nov.....	1.10	
Mar.....	.85	June....	.85	Sept....	1.10	Dec.....	1.10	
							Average.	\$0.9750

**HOSIERY: Men's cotton half hose, seamless, fast black, 20 to 22 ounce, 160 needles, single thread carded yarn.**

[Price per dozen pairs on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.00	Apr.....	\$1.00	July....	\$1.05	Oct.....	\$1.25	
Feb.....	1.00	May.....	1.05	Aug.....	1.10	Nov.....	1.30	
Mar.....	1.00	June....	1.05	Sept....	1.15	Dec.....	1.30	
							Average.	\$1.1042

**HOSIERY: Women's cotton hose, full fashioned, high-spliced heel, double sole, 2-pounds, combed peeler yarn.**

[Price per dozen pairs on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.87½	Apr.....	\$2.12½	July....	\$2.25	Oct.....	\$2.30	
Feb.....	1.87½	May.....	2.12½	Aug.....	2.30	Nov.....	2.30	
Mar.....	2.12½	June....	2.12½	Sept....	2.30	Dec.....	2.30	
							Average.	\$2.1667

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued

**HOSIERY: Women's cotton hose, seamless, 26-ounce, 176 needles, single thread, carded yarn.**

[Price per dozen pairs on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$1.00	Apr.....	\$1.00	July...	\$1.05	Oct.....	\$1.35
Feb.....	1.00	May...	1.05	Aug....	1.10	Nov.....	1.45
Mar.....	1.00	June...	1.05	Sept...	1.20	Dec.....	1.45
						Average.	\$1.1417

**LEATHER: Chrome calf, dull or bright finish, B grade (range of prices).**

[Price per square foot, in general market, near the first of each month; quotations furnished by the Shoe and Leather Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.28-\$0.34	Apr.....	\$0.33-\$0.40	July...	\$0.42-\$0.50	Oct.....	\$0.45-\$0.52
Feb.....	.29- .35	May...	.40- .45	Aug....	.43- .50	Nov.....	.55- .60
Mar.....	.31- .38	June...	.42- .50	Sept...	.43- .50	Dec.....	.70- .75
						Average.	\$0.4500

**LEATHER: Harness, California oak, No. 1.**

[Price per pound, at Chicago, near the first of each month; quotations from Hide and Leather.]

Jan.....	\$0.46	Apr.....	\$0.47	July...	\$0.49	Oct.....	\$0.50
Feb.....	.46	May...	.47	Aug....	.49	Nov.....	.54
Mar.....	.46	June...	.49	Sept...	.50	Dec.....	.64
						Average.	\$0.4975

**LEATHER: Sole, hemlock, middles, No. 1.**

[Price per pound, in general market, near the first of each month; quotations from the Shoe and Leather Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.32-\$0.33	Apr.....	\$0.36	July...	\$0.37	Oct.....	\$0.40-\$0.41
Feb.....	.32- .33	May...	.37	Aug....	.37	Nov.....	.48- .50
Mar.....	.33- .34	June...	.37	Sept...	.37	Dec.....	.57
						Average.	\$0.3883

**LEATHER: Sole, oak, scoured backs, heavy.**

[Price per pound, in general market, near the first of each month; quotations from the Shoe and Leather Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.52-\$0.54	Apr.....	\$0.62	July...	\$0.63-\$0.64	Oct.....	\$0.66-\$0.69
Feb.....	.54- .55	May...	\$0.63- .64	Aug....	.63- .64	Nov.....	.74
Mar.....	.55- .56	June...	.63- .64	Sept...	.63- .64	Dec.....	.82- .85
						Average.	\$0.6396

**LINEN SHOE THREAD: 10s, Barbour.**

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.1468	Apr.....	\$1.4006	July...	\$1.4006	Oct.....	\$1.4006
Feb.....	1.2314	May...	1.4006	Aug....	1.4006	Nov.....	1.4006
Mar.....	1.3160	June...	1.4006	Sept...	1.4006	Dec.....	1.4006
						Average.	\$1.3583



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.**

**OVERCOATINGS: Covert cloth, all wool, double and twist, 14-ounce.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$2.1375	Apr....	\$2.2500	July...	\$2.3625	Oct.....	\$2.4750	
Feb.....	2.1375	May....	2.3625	Aug....	2.3625	Nov.....	2.4750	
Mar.....	2.2500	June...	2.3625	Sept...	2.3625	Dec.....	2.4750	
							Average.	\$2.3344

**OVERCOATINGS: Kersey, wool-dyed, 23-ounce, 56-inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.4075	Apr....	\$2.5875	July...	\$2.7000	Oct.....	\$2.8125	
Feb.....	2.4075	May....	2.7000	Aug....	2.7000	Nov.....	2.9250	
Mar.....	2.4750	June...	2.7000	Sept...	2.8125	Dec.....	2.9250	
							Average.	\$2.6794

**OVERCOATINGS: Soft-faced, black, plain twill, 24-ounce, 54-56 inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.77½	Apr....	\$1.77½	July...	\$2.04½	Oct.....	\$2.04½	
Feb.....	1.77½	May....	1.77½	Aug....	2.04½	Nov.....	2.04½	
Mar.....	1.77½	June...	1.77½	Sept...	2.04½	Dec.....	2.13½	
							Average.	\$1.9200

**PERCALE: Scout, 36-inch (5.35 yards to the pound in the gray).**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.06½-\$0.07	Apr....	\$0.07½-\$0.08	July...	\$0.08-\$0.08½	Oct.....	\$0.09½-\$0.10	
Feb.....	.07 - .07½	May....	.08 - .08½	Aug....	.08 - .08½	Nov.....	.10½ - .11½	
Mar.....	.07 - .07½	June...	.08 - .08½	Sept...	.08½ - .10	Dec.....	.11 - .12	
							Average.	\$0.0871

**PRINT CLOTHS: 27-inch, 64 by 60, 7.60 yards to the pound.**

[Average weekly price per linear yard.]

Jan.....	\$0.0325	Apr....	\$0.0363	July...	\$0.0381	Oct.....	\$0.0475	
	.0338		.0375		.0388		.0488	
	.0338		.0375		.0388		.0513	
	.0350		.0388		.0388		.0525	
	.0350		.0388		.0388		.....	
Feb.....	.0350	May...	.0388	Aug....	.0400	Nov.....	.0550	
	.0344		.0394		.0400		.0550	
	.0344		.0394		.0400		.0550	
	.0350		.0394		.0413		.0550	
Mar.....	.0344	June...	.0394	Sept...	.0438	Dec.....	.0563	
	.0350		.0388		.0450		.0563	
	.0363		.0388		.0450		.0538	
	.0363		.0375		.0450		.0525	
					.0450		.0525	
							Average.	\$0.0419

**SHEETINGS: Bleached, 10-4, Pepperell.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.28	Apr....	\$0.28	July...	\$0.30	Oct.....	\$0.32½	
Feb.....	.28	May....	.30	Aug....	.30	Nov.....	.32½	
Mar.....	.28	June...	.30	Sept...	.30	Dec.....	.32½	
							Average.	\$0.2979

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.****SHEETINGS: Bleached, 10-4, Wamsutta S. T.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.3308	Apr....	\$0.3528	July...	\$0.3748	Oct.....	\$0.4189
Feb.....	.3528	May....	.3528	Aug....	.3748	Nov.....	.4630
Mar.....	.3528	June...	.3748	Sept...	.3748	Dec.....	.4630
						Average.	\$0.3822

**SHEETINGS: Brown, 4-4, Indian Head, 2.85 yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.07 $\frac{3}{8}$	Apr....	\$0.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	July...	\$0.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Oct.....	\$0.09
Feb.....	.07 $\frac{3}{8}$	May....	.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Aug....	.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Nov.....	.11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar.....	.07 $\frac{3}{8}$	June...	.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Sept...	.09	Dec.....	.12
						Average.	\$0.0882

**SHEETINGS: Brown, 4-4, Pepperell R, 3.75 yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.07	Apr....	\$0.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	July...	\$0.07 $\frac{3}{8}$	Oct.....	\$0.09 $\frac{1}{2}$
Feb.....	.07	May....	.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	Aug....	.08	Nov.....	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar.....	.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	June...	.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sept...	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dec.....	.11
						Average.	\$0.0829

**SHEETINGS: Brown, 4-4, Ware Shoals, L. L., 4 yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.05 $\frac{1}{2}$	Apr....	\$0.06 $\frac{1}{2}$	July...	\$0.06 $\frac{3}{8}$	Oct.....	\$0.08 $\frac{1}{2}$
Feb.....	.06	May....	.06 $\frac{3}{8}$	Aug....	.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nov.....	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar.....	.06	June...	.06 $\frac{3}{8}$	Sept...	.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dec.....	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.0722

**SHIRTINGS: Bleached muslin, 4-4, Fruit of the Loom.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	Apr....	\$0.09	July...	\$0.09 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oct.....	\$0.10
Feb.....	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	May....	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$	Aug....	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nov.....	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar.....	.09	June...	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sept...	.10	Dec.....	.11 $\frac{1}{2}$
						Average.	\$0.0960

**SHIRTINGS: Bleached muslin, 4-4, Lonsdale.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.08	Apr....	\$0.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	July...	\$0.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Oct.....	\$0.10
Feb.....	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	May....	.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Aug....	.09	Nov.....	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mar.....	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	June...	.08 $\frac{3}{8}$	Sept...	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dec.....	.11
						Average.	\$0.0913

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.**

**SHIRTINGS: Bleached muslin, 4-4, Rough Rider.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.08	Apr....	\$0.08½	July....	\$0.08½	Oct.....	\$0.10½	
Feb.....	.08	May....	.08½	Aug....	.08½	Nov.....	.12	
Mar.....	.08½	June...	.08½	Sept...	.10	Dec.....	.12	
							Average.	\$0.0935

**SHIRTINGS: Bleached muslin, 4-4, Wamsutta.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.1117	Apr....	\$0.1210	July....	\$0.1210	Oct.....	\$0.1303	
Feb.....	.1117	May....	.1210	Aug....	.1210	Nov.....	.1443	
Mar.....	.1163	June...	.1210	Sept...	.1303	Dec.....	.1536	
							Average.	\$0.1253

**SILK: Raw, Italian, classical.**

[Price per pound, at New York, near the first of each month; quotations furnished by the publishers of the American Silk Journal.]

Jan.....	\$5.2470	Apr....	\$5.8410	July....	\$5.4945	Oct.....	\$6.2370	
Feb.....	5.9400	May....	5.9400	Aug....	6.1380	Nov.....	6.5835	
Mar.....	5.9400	June...	5.4945	Sept...	6.0390	Dec.....	6.5340	
							Average.	\$5.9524

**SILK: Raw, Japan, Kansai, No. 1, 13-15.**

[Price per pound, at New York, near the first of each month; quotations furnished by the publishers of the American Silk Journal.]

Jan.....	\$4.4620	Apr....	\$4.7773	July....	\$4.5267	Oct.....	\$4.9955	
Feb.....	4.9955	May....	4.4620	Aug....	4.8743	Nov.....	5.4320	
Mar.....	5.4320	June...	4.3626	Sept...	4.7045	Dec.....	5.3835	
							Average.	\$4.8673

**SUITINGS: Clay worsted, diagonal, 12-ounce, 56-58 inch, Washington Mills.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.47½	Apr....	\$1.62½	July....	\$1.65	Oct.....	\$1.65	
Feb.....	1.55	May....	1.62½	Aug....	1.65	Nov.....	1.70	
Mar.....	1.62½	June...	1.62½	Sept...	1.65	Dec.....	1.75	
							Average.	\$1.6313

**SUITINGS: Clay worsted, diagonal, 16-ounce, 56-58 inch, Washington Mills.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.82½	Apr....	\$1.97½	July....	\$2.00	Oct.....	\$2.00	
Feb.....	1.87½	May....	2.12½	Aug....	2.00	Nov.....	2.05	
Mar.....	1.97½	June...	2.00	Sept...	2.00	Dec.....	2.12½	
							Average.	\$1.9958

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.****SUITINGS: Middlesex, wool-dyed, blue, 15-ounce, 55-56 inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.6200	Apr.....	\$1.9125	July....	\$1.9575	Oct.....	\$2.0925	
Feb.....	1.8000	May.....	1.9125	Aug.....	2.0250	Nov.....	2.1825	
Mar.....	1.9125	June....	1.9125	Sept...	2.0925	Dec.....	2.2725	
							Average.	\$1.9744

**SUITINGS: Serge, 11-ounce, 56-58 inch, Fulton Mills.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.3500	Apr.....	\$1.5075	July....	\$1.5075	Oct.....	\$1.5075	
Feb.....	1.4400	May.....	1.5075	Aug.....	1.5075	Nov.....	1.5525	
Mar.....	1.5075	June....	1.5075	Sept...	1.5075	Dec.....	1.7550	
							Average.	\$1.5131

**TICKINGS: Amoskeag, A. C. A., 32-inch, 2.05 yards to the pound.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.140	Apr.....	\$0.150	July....	\$0.155	Oct.....	\$0.180	
Feb.....	.145	May.....	.155	Aug.....	.160	Nov.....	.195	
Mar.....	.145	June....	.155	Sept...	.165	Dec.....	.205	
							Average.	\$0.1625

**TROUSERINGS: Fancy worsted, worsted warp and filling, worsted back, 16½ to 17½ ounce, 56-inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.250	Apr.....	\$2.385	July....	\$2.875	Oct.....	\$2.875	
Feb.....	2.250	May.....	2.385	Aug.....	2.875	Nov.....	2.875	
Mar.....	2.250	June....	2.385	Sept...	2.875	Dec.....	2.875	
							Average.	\$2.5963

**UNDERWEAR: Cotton, men's shirts and drawers, flat fleece, 12½ to 13 pounds per dozen.**

[Price per dozen garments on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$4.25	Apr.....	\$4.37½-\$4.50	July....	\$4.50	Oct.....	\$4.62½-\$4.75	
Feb.....	4.25	May.....	4.37½-4.50	Aug.....	4.50	Nov.....	5.00	
Mar.....	4.25	June....	4.37½-4.50	Sept...	\$4.50-4.62½	Dec.....	6.00	
							Average.	\$4.6094

**UNDERWEAR: Cotton, women's union suits, ribbed, 12 pounds per dozen.**

[Price per dozen suits on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$8.50	Apr.....	\$8.75-\$9.00	July....	\$9.00	Oct.....	\$9.00-\$9.50	
Feb.....	8.50	May.....	8.75-9.00	Aug.....	9.00	Nov.....	9.50	
Mar.....	8.50	June....	8.75-9.00	Sept...	9.00	Dec.....	10.50	
							Average.	\$9.0313

**UNDERWEAR: Merino, shirts and drawers, natural color, full-fashioned, 50 per cent wool, 24-gauge.**

[Price per dozen garments on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$12.69	Apr.....	\$13.50	July....	\$13.50	Oct.....	\$13.50	
Feb.....	12.69	May.....	13.50	Aug.....	13.50	Nov.....	15.00	
Mar.....	12.69	June....	13.50	Sept...	13.50	Dec.....	15.00	
							Average.	\$13.5475

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Continued.**

**UNDERWEAR: Merino, union suits, natural color, 40 per cent wool, circular, 24-gauge, light weight.**

[Price per dozen suits on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$8.46	Apr....	\$9.00	July....	\$9.00	Oct.....	\$9.00
Feb.....	8.46	May....	9.00	Aug....	9.00	Nov.....	12.00
Mar.....	8.46	June...	9.00	Sept...	9.00	Dec.....	12.00
						Average.	\$9.3650

**WOMEN'S DRESS GOODS: All-wool, broadcloth, 10½ ounces, 53-54 inches.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$1.3020	Apr....	\$1.3485	July....	\$1.5113	Oct.....	\$1.6275
Feb.....	1.3485	May....	1.3950	Aug....	1.5111	Nov.....	1.6275
Mar.....	1.3485	June...	1.5113	Sept...	1.5113	Dec.....	1.7670
						Average.	\$1.4841

**WOMEN'S DRESS GOODS: All-wool, French serge, 35 inches.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month (less 3 per cent if reduced to a cash basis).]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.33½	Apr....	\$0.38½	July....	\$0.43½	Oct.....	\$0.50
Feb.....	.38½	May....	.38½	Aug....	.47½	Nov.....	.52½
Mar.....	.38½	June...	.41	Sept...	.50	Dec.....	.55
						Average.	\$0.4392

**WOMEN'S DRESS GOODS: All-wool, storm serge, double warp, 50-inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.6860	Apr....	\$0.6860	July....	\$0.7595	Oct.....	\$0.8330
Feb.....	.6860	May....	.7350	Aug....	.8330	Nov.....	.8330
Mar.....	.6860	June...	.7350	Sept...	.8330	Dec.....	.8330
						Average.	\$0.7615

**WOMEN'S DRESS GOODS: Cotton warp, cashmere, 36-inch, Hamilton.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.2107	Apr....	\$0.2303	July....	\$0.2450	Oct.....	\$0.2695
Feb.....	.2205	May....	.2303	Aug....	.2695	Nov.....	.3430
Mar.....	.2303	June...	.2303	Sept...	.2695	Dec.....	.3430
						Average.	\$0.2577

**WOMEN'S DRESS GOODS: Cotton warp, poplar cloth, worsted filling, 36-inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.20	Apr....	\$0.20	July....	\$0.21	Oct.....	\$0.21
Feb.....	.20	May....	.21	Aug....	.21	Nov.....	.21
Mar.....	.20	June...	.21	Sept...	.21	Dec.....	.21
						Average.	\$0.2067

**WOMEN'S DRESS GOODS: Cotton warp, Sicilian cloth, 50-inch.**

[Price per linear yard on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.4067	Apr....	\$0.4067	July....	\$0.4263	Oct.....	\$0.5145
Feb.....	.4067	May....	.4067	Aug....	.5145	Nov.....	.5145
Mar.....	.4067	June...	.4263	Sept...	.5145	Dec.....	.5145
						Average.	\$0.4519

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**CLOTHS AND CLOTHING—Concluded.****WOOL: Ohio, fine fleece (X and XX grades), scoured.**

[Price per pound, in eastern markets, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.6957	Apr.....	\$0.7391	July....	\$0.7609	Oct.....	\$0.8261	
Feb.....	.7174	May.....	.7391	Aug....	.7326	Nov.....	.8478	
Mar.....	.7391	June....	.7609	Sept...	.8043	Dec.....	.8913	
							Average.	\$0.7754

**WOOL: Ohio, medium fleece (one-fourth and three-eighths grades), scoured.**

[Price per pound, in eastern markets, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.6429	Apr.....	\$0.6857	July....	\$0.6857	Oct.....	\$0.6857	
Feb.....	.6571	May.....	.6714	Aug....	.6857	Nov.....	.6857	
Mar.....	.6714	June....	.6714	Sept...	.6857	Dec.....	.7286	
							Average.	\$0.6798

**WORSTED YARNS: 2-40s, Australian fine.**

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.20	Apr.....	\$1.42½	July....	\$1.47½	Oct.....	\$1.62½	
Feb.....	1.30	May.....	1.45	Aug....	1.52½	Nov.....	1.65	
Mar.....	1.40	June....	1.47½	Sept...	1.57½	Dec.....	1.65	
							Average.	\$1.4792

**WORSTED YARNS: 2-32s, crossbred stock.**

[Price per pound on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.88	Apr.....	\$0.95	July....	\$1.10	Oct.....	\$1.15	
Feb.....	.88	May.....	1.00	Aug....	1.10	Nov.....	1.20	
Mar.....	.92	June....	1.10	Sept...	1.12	Dec.....	1.20	
							Average.	\$1.0500

**FUEL AND LIGHTING.****ALCOHOL: Denatured, 180 proof.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.50	Apr.....	\$0.59	July....	\$0.59	Oct.....	\$0.54	
Feb.....	.55	May.....	.59	Aug....	.49	Nov.....	.59	
Mar.....	.59	June....	.59	Sept...	.49	Dec.....	.64	
							Average.	\$0.5625

**CANDLES: Adamantine, 6s, 14-ounce.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.07½	Apr.....	\$0.07½	July....	\$0.07½	Oct.....	\$0.07½	
Feb.....	.07½	May.....	.07½	Aug....	.07½	Nov.....	.07½	
Mar.....	.07½	June....	.07½	Sept...	.07½	Dec.....	.07½	
							Average.	\$0.0725

**TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.**

**FUEL AND LIGHTING—Continued.**

**COAL: Anthracite, broken.**

[Average monthly selling price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at tidewater, New York Harbor.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$4.5074	Apr....	\$4.4614	July....	\$4.8321	Oct.....	\$4.8381	
Feb.....	4.4784	May....	4.6340	Aug....	4.8155	Nov.....	4.8432	
Mar.....	4.4384	June...	4.7730	Sept...	4.8408	Dec.....	4.8441	
							Average.	\$4.6922

**COAL: Anthracite, chestnut.**

[Average monthly selling price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at tidewater, New York Harbor.]

Jan.....	\$5.4838	Apr....	\$5.5196	July....	\$5.5071	Oct.....	\$5.7280	
Feb.....	5.4852	May....	5.3320	Aug....	5.6109	Nov.....	5.7285	
Mar.....	5.5066	June...	5.4309	Sept...	5.7155	Dec.....	5.7340	
							Average.	\$5.5652

**COAL: Anthracite, egg.**

[Average monthly selling price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at tidewater, New York Harbor.]

Jan.....	\$5.2726	Apr....	\$5.2949	July....	\$5.2092	Oct.....	\$5.4210	
Feb.....	5.2770	May....	5.0380	Aug....	5.3057	Nov.....	5.4338	
Mar.....	5.2780	June...	5.1082	Sept...	5.3990	Dec.....	5.4500	
							Average.	\$5.2906

**COAL: Anthracite, stove.**

[Average monthly selling price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at tidewater, New York Harbor.]

Jan.....	\$5.2639	Apr....	\$5.2876	July....	\$5.4495	Oct.....	\$5.6744	
Feb.....	5.2588	May....	5.2740	Aug....	5.5570	Nov.....	5.6946	
Mar.....	5.2742	June...	5.3713	Sept...	5.6625	Dec.....	5.6801	
							Average.	\$5.4540

**COAL: Bituminous, Pittsburgh, run of mine.**

[Price per ton of 2,000 pounds, f. o. b. cars at Cincinnati, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.20	Apr....	\$2.20	July....	\$2.20	Oct.....	\$3.75	
Feb.....	2.20	May....	2.20	Aug....	2.20	Nov.....	3.75	
Mar.....	2.20	June...	2.20	Sept...	2.50	Dec.....	4.50	
							Average.	\$2.6750

**COAL: Semibituminous, New River.**

[Price per ton of 2,000 pounds, f. o. b. cars at Cincinnati, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.50	Apr....	\$2.45	July....	\$2.45	Oct.....	\$3.60	
Feb.....	2.50	May....	2.45	Aug....	2.60	Nov.....	4.60	
Mar.....	2.50	June...	2.45	Sept...	2.60	Dec.....	6.10	
							Average.	\$3.0667

**COAL: Semibituminous, Pocahontas.**

[Price per ton of 2,240 pounds, f. o. b. Norfolk, Va., on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$3.00	Apr....	\$3.00	July....	\$3.00	Oct.....	\$4.50	
Feb.....	3.00	May....	3.00	Aug....	3.25	Nov.....	6.00	
Mar.....	3.00	June...	3.00	Sept...	4.00	Dec.....	6.00	
							Average.	\$3.7292

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**FUEL AND LIGHTING—Concluded.****COKE: Connellsville, furnace.**

[Price per ton of 2,000 pounds, f. o. b. ovens, on the first Wednesday of each month; range of spot shipments and half-year delivery; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$2.50-\$3.25	Apr.....	\$2.75-\$2.90	July....	\$2.50-\$2.75	Oct.....	\$3.00-\$3.25	
Feb.....	2.50- 2.75	May.....	2.25- 2.50	Aug.....	2.50- 2.75	Nov.....	4.00- 7.50	
Mar.....	2.50- 3.50	June....	2.50- 2.75	Sept....	2.50- 3.00	Dec.....	4.00- 7.50	
							Average.	\$3.2458

**GASOLINE: Motor.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; price to garages, in steel barrels; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.21	Apr.....	\$0.24	July....	\$0.24	Oct.....	\$0.22	
Feb.....	.22	May.....	.24	Aug.....	.24	Nov.....	.22	
Mar.....	.24	June....	.24	Sept....	.23	Dec.....	.22	
							Average.	\$0.2300

**MATCHES: Globe, No. 1, in cases.**

[Prices per case of 144 boxes, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.20	Apr.....	\$1.20	July....	\$1.20	Oct.....	\$1.20	
Feb.....	1.20	May.....	1.20	Aug.....	1.20	Nov.....	1.35	
Mar.....	1.20	June....	1.20	Sept....	1.20	Dec.....	1.35	
							Average.	\$1.2250

**PETROLEUM: Crude, Pennsylvania.**

[Price per barrel of 42 gallons, at the wells, on the first of each month; quotations from the Oil City Derrick.]

Jan.....	\$2.25	Apr.....	\$2.60	July....	\$2.60	Oct.....	\$2.40	
Feb.....	.0890	May.....	.0895	Aug.....	.0910	Nov.....	2.60	
Mar.....	2.40	June....	2.60	Sept....	2.30	Dec.....	2.60	
							Average.	\$2.4833

**PETROLEUM: Refined, for export, in barrels, cargo lots, S. W. 110° fire test.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.0865	Apr.....	\$0.0895	July....	\$0.0895	Oct.....	\$0.0835	
Feb.....	.0890	May.....	.0895	Aug.....	.0910	Nov.....	.0835	
Mar.....	.0890	June....	.0895	Sept....	.0885	Dec.....	.0835	
							Average.	\$0.0877

**PETROLEUM: Refined, 150° fire test, water-white, in barrels (jobbing lots).**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.13	Apr.....	\$0.12	July....	\$0.12	Oct.....	\$0.12	
Feb.....	.13	May.....	.12	Aug.....	.12	Nov.....	.12	
Mar.....	.12	June....	.12	Sept....	.12	Dec.....	.12	
							Average.	\$0.1217



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS.**

**AUGERS: Regular, 1-inch.**

[Price per auger, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.23	Apr.....	\$0.29	July....	\$0.29	Oct.....	\$0.29	
Feb.....	.25	May.....	.29	Aug.....	.29	Nov.....	.32	
Mar.....	.28	June....	.29	Sept....	.29	Dec.....	.32	
							Average.	\$0.2858

**AXES: Essex, pattern handled.**

[Price per dozen, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$12.00	Apr.....	\$12.00	July....	\$12.00	Oct.....	\$12.00	
Feb.....	12.00	May.....	12.00	Aug.....	12.00	Nov.....	12.00	
Mar.....	12.00	June....	12.00	Sept....	12.00	Dec.....	12.00	
							Average.	\$12.0000

**BAR IRON: Best refined.**

[Average monthly price per pound, at Philadelphia, net, 30 days (2 per cent off for cash, prior to 15th of following month); quotations furnished by the Iron Merchants Association.]

Jan.....	\$0.0250	Apr.....	\$0.0325	July....	\$0.0325	Oct.....	\$0.0360	
Feb.....	.0270	May.....	.0325	Aug.....	.0340	Nov.....	.0380	
Mar.....	.0300	June....	.0325	Sept....	.0340	Dec.....	.0380	
							Average.	\$0.0327

**BAR IRON: From mill.**

[Price per pound, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on the first Tuesday of each month; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$0.0195-\$0.0200	Apr.....	\$0.0250-\$0.0260	July....	\$0.0250-\$0.0260	Oct.....	\$0.0275-\$0.0285	
Feb.....	.0215-.0220	May.....	.0260-.0270	Aug.....	.0250-.0260	Nov.....	.0285-.0290	
Mar.....	.0225-.0230	June....	.0260-.0265	Sept....	.0260-.0270	Dec.....	.0325	
							Average.	\$0.0258

**BUTTS: Loose pin, wrought steel, 3½ by 3½ inches.**

[Price per dozen pairs, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.65	Apr.....	\$1.65	July....	\$1.65	Oct.....	\$1.65	
Feb.....	1.65	May.....	1.65	Aug.....	1.65	Nov.....	1.65	
Mar.....	1.65	June....	1.65	Sept....	1.65	Dec.....	1.65	
							Average.	\$1.6500

**CHISELS: Regular, socket firmer, 1-inch.**

[Price per chisel, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.23	Apr.....	\$0.23	July....	\$0.27	Oct.....	\$0.28	
Feb.....	.23	May.....	.27	Aug.....	.27	Nov.....	.28	
Mar.....	.23	June....	.27	Sept....	.27	Dec.....	.31	
							Average.	\$0.2617

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Continued.****COPPER: Ingot, electrolytic.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.2288	Apr....	\$0.2688	July....	\$0.2650	Oct.....	\$0.2850
Feb.....	.2538	May....	.2850	Aug....	.2600	Nov.....	.2863
Mar.....	.2700	June...	.2800	Sept....	.2775	Dec.....	.3450
						Average.	\$0.2754

**COPPER: Sheet, hot-rolled (base sizes).**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the 1st of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.29	Apr....	\$0.34½	July....	\$0.37½	Oct.....	\$0.37½
Feb.....	.32	May....	.36½	Aug....	.37½	Nov.....	.37½
Mar.....	.34	June...	.37½	Sept....	.37½	Dec.....	.40
						Average.	\$0.3592

**COPPER: Wire, bare, No. 8, B. & S. gauge and heavier (base sizes).**

[Price per pound, f. o. b. mill, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.24½	Apr....	\$0.28½	July....	\$0.32½	Oct.....	\$0.31½
Feb.....	.27½	May....	.31½	Aug....	.30½	Nov.....	.31½
Mar.....	.29½	June...	.32½	Sept....	.30½	Dec.....	.35½
						Average.	\$0.3052

**DOOR KNOBS: Steel, bronze-plated.**

[Price per pair, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.35	Apr....	\$0.35	July....	\$0.37	Oct.....	\$0.40
Feb.....	.35	May....	.37	Aug....	.37	Nov.....	.40
Mar.....	.35	June...	.37	Sept....	.37	Dec.....	.40
						Average.	\$0.3708

**FILES: 8-inch mill, bastard, Nicholson.**

[Price per dozen on the first of each month, 2 per cent off for cash in 10 days.]

Jan.....	\$0.915	Apr....	\$1.045	July....	\$1.045	Oct.....	\$1.161
Feb.....	.915	May....	1.045	Aug....	1.045	Nov.....	1.161
Mar.....	.915	June...	1.045	Sept....	1.045	Dec.....	1.258
						Average.	\$1.0496

**HAMMERS: Maydole, No. 1½.**

[Price per dozen, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$6.84	Apr....	\$6.84	July....	\$6.84	Oct.....	\$6.84
Feb.....	6.84	May....	6.84	Aug....	6.84	Nov.....	6.84
Mar.....	6.84	June...	6.84	Sept....	6.84	Dec.....	6.84
						Average.	\$6.8400

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Continued.**

**IRON ORE: Mesabi Bessemer, 55 per cent.**

[Price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at lower Lake ports, on the first Tuesday of each month; quotations from the Iron Trade Review.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$4.20	Apr.....	\$4.20	July...	\$4.20	Oct.....	\$4.20	
Feb.....	4.20	May....	4.20	Aug....	4.20	Nov.....	4.20	
Mar.....	4.20	June...	4.20	Sept...	4.20	Dec.....	5.70	
							Average.	\$4.3250

**LEAD: Pig, desilverized.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$0.0550	Apr.....	\$0.0800	July...	\$0.0685	Oct.....	\$0.0705	
Feb.....	.0610	May....	.0750	Aug....	.0610	Nov.....	.0700	
Mar.....	.0640	June...	.0725	Sept...	.0650	Dec.....	.0730	
							Average.	\$0.0680

**LEAD PIPE.**

[Price per 100 pounds, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$6.13	Apr.....	\$8.82	July...	\$7.84	Oct.....	\$7.60	
Feb.....	6.86	May....	8.82	Aug....	7.35	Nov.....	7.60	
Mar.....	7.11	June...	8.09	Sept...	7.11	Dec.....	7.84	
							Average.	\$7.5975

**LOCKS: Common mortise, knob lock, 3½-inch.**

[Price per lock, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.18	Apr.....	\$0.19	July...	\$0.20	Oct.....	\$0.25	
Feb.....	.18	May....	.19	Aug....	.20	Nov.....	.27	
Mar.....	.19	June...	.20	Sept...	.20	Dec.....	.27	
							Average.	\$0.2100

**NAILS: Cut, 8-penny, fence and common.**

[Price per 100-pound keg, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on or near the first of each month to jobbers; terms 60 days, 2 per cent off for cash in 10 days; quotations computed from base prices published in the Hardware Age.]

Jan.....	\$2.10-\$2.15	Apr.....	\$2.45-\$2.50	July...	\$2.70-\$2.75	Oct.....	\$2.75-\$2.80	
Feb.....	2.10- 2.15	May....	2.70- 2.75	Aug....	2.70- 2.75	Nov.....	2.85- 2.90	
Mar.....	2.35- 2.40	June...	2.70- 2.75	Sept...	2.75- 2.80	Dec.....	3.05- 3.10	
							Average.	\$2.625

**NAILS: Wire, 8-penny, fence and common.**

[Price per 100-pound keg, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on or near the first of each month to jobbers; terms 60 days, 2 per cent off for cash in 10 days; quotations computed from base prices published in the Hardware Age.]

Jan.....	\$2.20	Apr.....	\$2.50	July...	\$2.60-\$2.70	Oct.....	\$2.70	
Feb.....	2.30	May....	2.60	Aug....	2.60- 2.70	Nov.....	2.80	
Mar.....	2.40	June...	\$2.60- 2.70	Sept...	2.70	Dec.....	3.00	
							Average.	\$2.5958

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Continued.****PIG IRON: Basic.**

[Average monthly price per ton of 2,240 pounds, f. o. b. Mahoning or Shenango Valley furnace; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$17.81	Apr.....	\$18.13	July....	\$18.00	Oct.....	\$19.88	
Feb.....	17.69	May....	18.00	Aug....	18.00	Nov.....	25.10	
Mar.....	18.20	June....	18.00	Sept....	18.31	Dec.....	30.00	
							Average.	\$19.7600

**PIG IRON: Bessemer.**

[Average monthly price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at Pittsburgh; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$21.58	Apr.....	\$21.95	July....	\$21.95	Oct.....	\$24.08	
Feb.....	21.51	May....	21.95	Aug....	21.95	Nov.....	30.15	
Mar.....	21.75	June....	21.95	Sept....	22.26	Dec.....	35.58	
							Average.	\$23.8883

**PIG IRON: Foundry No. 2, northern.**

[Average monthly price per ton of 2,240 pounds, f. o. b. Pittsburgh; quotations computed by adding freight to price at the valley furnace as published in the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$19.45	Apr.....	\$19.45	July....	\$19.20	Oct.....	\$20.95	
Feb.....	19.26	May....	19.15	Aug....	19.20	Nov.....	26.55	
Mar.....	19.45	June....	19.08	Sept....	19.34	Dec.....	31.70	
							Average.	\$21.0650

**PIG IRON: Foundry No. 2, southern.**

[Average monthly price per ton of 2,240 pounds, f. o. b. Cincinnati; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$17.90	Apr.....	\$17.90	July....	\$16.90	Oct.....	\$18.03	
Feb.....	17.90	May....	17.90	Aug....	16.70	Nov.....	22.40	
Mar.....	17.90	June....	17.34	Sept....	17.28	Dec.....	25.90	
							Average.	\$18.6708

**PIPE: Cast-iron, 6-inch.**

[Average monthly price per ton of 2,000 pounds, f. o. b. New York; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$29.00	Apr.....	\$30.50	July....	\$30.50	Oct.....	\$31.50	
Feb.....	29.33	May....	30.50	Aug....	30.50	Nov.....	35.50	
Mar.....	29.75	June....	30.50	Sept....	30.83	Dec.....	41.00	
							Average.	\$31.6175

**PLANES: Sargent 414, jack-planes.**

[Price per plane, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.80	Apr.....	\$1.80	July....	\$1.80	Oct.....	\$1.80	
Feb.....	1.80	May....	1.80	Aug....	1.80	Nov.....	1.80	
Mar.....	1.80	June....	1.80	Sept....	1.80	Dec.....	1.80	
							Average.	\$1.8000

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Continued.**

**QUICKSILVER: Jobbing lots.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.85	Apr.....	\$2.55	July...	\$1.10	Oct.....	\$1.05	
Feb.....	4.00	May....	1.75	Aug....	1.10	Nov.....	1.05	
Mar.....	4.00	June....	1.30	Sept...	1.10	Dec.....	1.05	
							Average.	\$1.8250

**SAWS: Cross-cut, Disston, No. 2, 6-foot, Champion tooth.**

[Price per saw to small jobbers, f. o. b. Philadelphia, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.79	Apr....	\$1.88	July...	\$2.07	Oct.....	\$2.07	
Feb.....	1.79	May....	1.88	Aug....	2.07	Nov.....	2.28	
Mar.....	1.88	June....	2.07	Sept...	2.07	Dec.....	2.28	
							Average.	\$2.0108

**SAWS: Hand, Disston, No. 8, 26-inch, skewback.**

[Price per dozen to small jobbers, f. o. b. Philadelphia, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$15.60	Apr....	\$16.38	July...	\$18.02	Oct.....	\$18.02	
Feb.....	15.60	May....	16.38	Aug....	18.02	Nov.....	19.80	
Mar.....	16.38	June....	18.02	Sept...	18.02	Dec.....	19.80	
							Average.	\$17.5033

**SHOVELS: Ames, No. 2, cast-steel, long-handle, round-point, back-strap, black.**

[Price per dozen on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$7.43	Apr....	\$7.43	July...	\$8.45	Oct.....	\$8.92	
Feb.....	7.43	May....	8.45	Aug....	8.45	Nov.....	9.44	
Mar.....	7.43	June....	8.45	Sept...	8.45	Dec.....	9.44	
							Average.	\$8.3142

**SILVER: Bar, fine.**

[Average monthly price per ounce, at New York; quotations furnished by the Director of the Mint.]

Jan.....	\$0.5678	Apr....	\$0.6441	July...	\$0.6294	Oct.....	\$0.6786	
Feb.....	.5676	May....	.7426	Aug....	.6608	Nov.....	.7160	
Mar.....	.5794	June....	.6502	Sept...	.6852	Dec.....	.7577	
							Average.	\$0.6566

**STEEL BILLETS: Bessemer.**

[Average monthly price per ton of 2,240 pounds, at Pittsburgh; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$32.00	Apr....	\$45.00	July...	\$41.00	Oct.....	\$46.25	
Feb.....	33.50	May....	45.00	Aug....	44.20	Nov.....	52.00	
Mar.....	42.40	June....	43.50	Sept...	45.00	Dec.....	57.50	
							Average.	\$43.9458

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Continued.****STEEL PLATES: Tank,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick, 6 inches up to 100 inches wide.**[Price per pound, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on the first Tuesday of each month; terms 30 days,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1 per cent off for cash in 10 days; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.0190-\$0.0225	Apr.....	\$0.0275-\$0.0375	July....	\$0.0290-\$0.0400	Oct.....	\$0.0300-\$0.0400	
Feb.....	.0200-.0250	May....	.0275-.0400	Aug....	.0290-.0400	Nov.....	.0350-.0400	
Mar.....	.0235-.0275	June....	.0290-.0400	Sept....	.0300-.0400	Dec.....	.0350-.0500	
							Average.	\$0.0324

**STEEL RAILS: Bessemer, standard.**

[Price per ton of 2,240 pounds, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on the first Tuesday of each month; quotations from the Iron Trade Review.]

Jan.....	\$28.00	Apr....	\$28.00	July....	\$33.00	Oct.....	\$33.00	
Feb.....	28.00	May....	28.00	Aug....	33.00	Nov.....	33.00	
Mar.....	28.00	June....	33.00	Sept....	33.00	Dec.....	38.00	
							Average.	\$31.3333

**STEEL RAILS: Open-hearth, standard.**

[Price per ton of 2,240 pounds, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on the first Tuesday of each month; quotations from the Iron Trade Review.]

Jan.....	\$30.00	Apr....	\$30.00	July....	\$35.00	Oct.....	\$35.00	
Feb.....	30.00	May....	30.00	Aug....	35.00	Nov.....	35.00	
Mar.....	30.00	June....	35.00	Sept....	35.00	Dec.....	40.00	
							Average.	\$33.3333

**STEEL SHEETS: Box annealed, cold-rolled, United States standard, No. 27.**

[Price per pound, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on the first Tuesday of each month, terms 30 days, 2 per cent off for cash in 10 days; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$0.0255	Apr....	\$0.0280-\$0.0285	July....	\$0.0285-\$0.0295	Oct.....	\$0.0305-\$0.0310	
Feb.....	.0255	May....	.0280-.0285	Aug....	.0285-.0295	Nov.....	.0335-.0345	
Mar.....	.0255	June....	.0285-.0295	Sept....	.0285-.0300	Dec.....	.0395-.0420	
							Average.	\$0.0296

**STEEL: Structural.**

[Average monthly base price per pound, at Chicago; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$0.0238	Apr....	\$0.0274	July....	\$0.0279	Oct.....	\$0.0294	
Feb.....	.0244	May....	.0279	Aug....	.0289	Nov.....	.0319	
Mar.....	.0259	June....	.0279	Sept....	.0294	Dec.....	.0344	
							Average.	\$0.0283

**TIN: Pig.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$0.4250	Apr....	\$0.4950	July....	\$0.3888	Oct.....	\$0.3925	
Feb.....	.4163	May....	.5100	Aug....	.3800	Nov.....	.4170	
Mar.....	.4750	June....	.4550	Sept....	.3875	Dec.....	.4500	
							Average.	\$0.4327

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Continued.**

**TIN PLATE: Domestic, coke, 14 by 20 inches.**

[Price per 100-pound box, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on or near the first of each month; quotations from the Hardware Age.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$3.60-\$3.75	Apr....	\$4.50	July...	\$5.75-\$6.00	Oct.....	\$5.75-\$6.00	
Feb.....	3.75- 3.90	May....	4.50	Aug....	5.75- 6.00	Nov.....	5.75- 6.00	
Mar.....	4.00	June...	5.50- 6.00	Sept...	5.75- 6.00	Dec.....	(1)	
							Average.	\$5.0568

**TROWELS: Johnson's, brick, 10½-inch.**

[Price per dozen, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$4.50	Apr....	\$4.50	July...	\$4.50	Oct.....	\$4.50	
Feb.....	4.50	May....	4.50	Aug....	4.50	Nov.....	4.50	
Mar.....	4.50	June...	4.50	Sept...	4.50	Dec.....	4.50	
							Average.	\$4.5000

**VICES: Solid box, 50-pound.**

[Price per vise, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$4.60	Apr....	\$5.08	July...	\$5.75	Oct.....	\$5.75	
Feb.....	3.56	May....	5.08	Aug....	5.75	Nov.....	5.75	
Mar.....	5.08	June...	5.08	Sept...	5.75	Dec.....	5.75	
							Average.	\$5.2483

**WIRE, FENCE: Barbed, galvanized.**

[Price per 100 pounds, f. o. b. Chicago, on or near the first of each month to jobbers; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$3.139	Apr....	\$3.439	July...	\$3.539	Oct.....	\$3.639	
Feb.....	3.239	May....	3.539	Aug....	3.539	Nov.....	3.739	
Mar.....	3.339	June...	3.539	Sept...	3.639	Dec.....	3.850	
							Average.	\$3.5149

**WIRE, FENCE: Plain, annealed, Nos. 6 to 9.**

[Price per 100 pounds, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, on the first Tuesday of each month to jobbers; terms 60 days, 2 per cent off for cash in 10 days; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan.....	\$1.95	Apr....	\$2.25	July...	\$2.45	Oct.....	\$2.55	
Feb.....	2.05	May....	2.45	Aug....	2.45	Nov.....	2.65	
Mar.....	2.25	June...	2.45	Sept...	2.55	Dec.....	2.95	
							Average.	\$2.4167

**WOOD SCREWS: 1-inch, No. 10, flathead.**

[Price per gross, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.13	Apr....	\$0.17	July...	\$0.17	Oct.....	\$0.19	
Feb.....	.13	May....	.17	Aug....	.17	Nov.....	.19	
Mar.....	.15	June...	.17	Sept...	.17	Dec.....	.21	
							Average.	\$0.1683

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**METALS AND METAL PRODUCTS—Concluded.****ZINC: Sheet, ordinary numbers and sizes, packed in 600-pound casks.**

[Price per 100 pounds, f. o. b. La Salle, Ill., on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan. ....	\$21.16	Apr. ....	\$23.00	July ...	\$16.56	Oct. ....	\$13.80
Feb. ....	22.08	May ...	23.46	Aug. ....	13.80	Nov. ....	14.72
Mar. ....	23.00	June ...	20.70	Sept. ...	13.80	Dec. ....	19.32
						Average.	\$18.7833

**ZINC: Pig (spelter), western.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Iron Age.]

Jan. ....	\$0.1750	Apr. ....	\$0.1775	July ...	\$0.1125	Oct. ....	\$0.0950
Feb. ....	.1850	May ...	.1750	Aug. ....	.0950	Nov. ....	.1063
Mar. ....	.2100	June ...	.1325	Sept. ...	.0875	Dec. ....	.1325
						Average.	\$0.1403

**LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS.****BRICK: Common, run of kiln, salmon.**

[Average monthly price per 1,000, f. o. b. kiln, near Chicago.]

Jan. ....	\$4.839	Apr. ....	\$4.773	July ...	\$4.803	Oct. ....	\$4.783
Feb. ....	4.731	May ...	4.830	Aug. ....	4.792	Nov. ....	4.795
Mar. ....	4.722	June ...	4.792	Sept. ...	4.769	Dec. ....	4.767
						Average.	\$4.7830

**BRICK: Common, red, building.**

[Price per 1,000, f. o. b. kiln, near Cincinnati, on the first of each month.]

Jan. ....	\$6.75	Apr. ....	\$6.75	July ...	\$6.75	Oct. ....	\$6.75
Feb. ....	6.75	May ...	6.75	Aug. ....	6.75	Nov. ....	6.75
Mar. ....	6.75	June ...	6.75	Sept. ...	6.75	Dec. ....	6.75
						Average.	\$6.7500

**BRICK: Common, red, domestic, building.**

[Price per 1,000 on dock at New York; range of prices from first to last of each month.]

Jan. ....	\$8.50-\$9.00	Apr. ....	\$7.50-\$8.50	July ...	\$7.00-\$7.25	Oct. ....	\$7.50-\$8.00
Feb. ....	8.50-9.00	May ...	7.50-8.00	Aug. ....	7.00-7.25	Nov. ....	8.00-9.00
Mar. ....	8.25-8.50	June ...	7.25-8.00	Sept. ...	7.00-7.50	Dec. ....	9.00-9.75
						Average.	\$8.0347

**CEMENT: Portland, domestic, spot.**

[Price per barrel of 380 pounds net, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Record and Guide.]

Jan. ....	\$1.67	Apr. ...	\$1.67	July ...	\$1.67	Oct. ....	\$1.67
Feb. ....	1.67	May ...	1.67	Aug. ....	1.67	Nov. ....	1.67
Mar. ....	1.67	June ...	1.67	Sept. ...	1.67	Dec. ....	\$1.87-1.92
						Average.	\$1.6888



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS—Continued.**

**CEMENT: Rosendale, natural.**

[Price per barrel of 380 pounds net, in duck bags, or wood, to dealers, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Record and Guide.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.90	Apr.....	\$1.00	July...	\$1.00	Oct.....	\$0.90	
Feb.....	1.00	May.....	1.00	Aug.....	1.00	Nov.....	.90	
Mar.....	1.00	June...	1.00	Sept...	1.00	Dec.....	.90	
							Average.	\$0.9667

**DOORS: Western white pine, 2 feet 8 inches by 6 feet 8 inches, 1½ inches thick, 4-panel, No. 2 O. G.**

[Price per door, carload lots, f. o. b. Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.30	Apr.....	\$1.30	July...	\$1.39	Oct.....	\$1.45	
Feb.....	1.30	May.....	1.39	Aug.....	1.39	Nov.....	1.45	
Mar.....	1.30	June...	1.39	Sept...	1.39	Dec.....	1.42	
							Average.	\$1.3725

**GLASS: Plate, polished, glazing, area 3 to 5 square feet.**

[Price per square foot, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.21	Apr.....	\$0.28	July...	\$0.30	Oct.....	\$0.32	
Feb.....	.25	May.....	.28	Aug.....	.30	Nov.....	.34	
Mar.....	.26	June...	.30	Sept...	.32	Dec.....	.34	
							Average.	\$0.2917

**GLASS: Plate, polished, glazing, area 5 to 10 square feet.**

[Price per square foot, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.27	Apr.....	\$0.33	July...	\$0.34	Oct.....	\$0.36	
Feb.....	.30	May.....	.33	Aug.....	.34	Nov.....	.38	
Mar.....	.32	June...	.34	Sept....	.36	Dec.....	.38	
							Average.	\$0.3375

**GLASS: Window, American, single, AA, 25-inch; 6 by 8 to 10 by 15 inches.**

[Price per 50 square feet, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$3.1500	Apr.....	\$3.8500	July...	\$3.8500	Oct.....	\$3.8500	
Feb.....	3.1500	May.....	3.8500	Aug....	3.8500	Nov.....	3.8500	
Mar.....	3.1500	June...	3.8500	Sept...	3.8500	Dec.....	3.8500	
							Average.	\$3.6750

**GLASS: Window, American, single, B, 25-inch; 6 by 8 to 10 by 15 inches.**

[Price per 50 square feet, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$2.2800	Apr.....	\$2.5650	July...	\$2.5650	Oct.....	\$2.5650	
Feb.....	2.2800	May.....	2.5650	Aug....	2.5650	Nov.....	2.5650	
Mar.....	2.2800	June...	2.5650	Sept...	2.5650	Dec.....	2.5650	
							Average.	\$2.4938

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS—Continued.****LATH: Eastern spruce; 1½-inch slab.**

[Price per M, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$3.75-\$3.90	Apr.....	\$4.50-\$5.00	July....	\$4.00-\$4.10	Oct.....	\$4.00-\$4.25	
Feb.....	4.00- 4.25	May.....	4.40- 4.50	Aug.....	3.75- 4.00	Nov.....	4.00- 4.25	
Mar.....	4.50- 5.00	June....	4.25- 4.40	Sept....	4.00- 4.25	Dec.....	4.00- 4.25	
							Average.	\$4.2208

**LIME: Eastern, common.**

[Price per barrel of 300 pounds gross, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Record and Guide.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.15-\$1.375	Apr.....	\$1.15-\$1.375	July....	1.45	Oct.....	\$1.50-\$1.55	
Feb.....	1.15- 1.375	May.....	( <sup>1</sup> )	Aug....	1.45	Nov.....	1.50- 1.55	
Mar.....	1.15- 1.375	June....	( <sup>1</sup> )	Sept....	\$1.50- 1.55	Dec.....	1.50- 1.55	
							Average.	\$1.4050

**LUMBER: Douglas fir, No. 1, common, surfaced one side, 1 by 8 and 10 inches.**

[Price per M feet, on the first of each month, f. o. b. mills, State of Washington.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$10.00	Apr.....	\$11.50	July....	\$10.00	Oct.....	\$9.00	
Feb.....	10.50	May.....	11.50	Aug....	9.50	Nov.....	10.00	
Mar.....	11.50	June....	11.00	Sept....	9.00	Dec.....	11.00	
							Average.	\$10.3750

**LUMBER: Douglas fir, No. 2 and better, drop siding, 1 by 6.**

[Price per M feet, on the first of each month, f. o. b. mills, State of Washington.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$19.00	Apr.....	\$20.00	July....	\$18.00	Oct.....	\$17.00	
Feb.....	19.00	May.....	20.00	Aug....	18.00	Nov.....	18.00	
Mar.....	19.00	June....	19.00	Sept....	17.00	Dec.....	19.00	
							Average.	\$18.5833

**LUMBER: Hemlock, base price, Pennsylvania and West Virginia stock.**

[Price per M feet, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$21.00-\$23.50	Apr.....	\$23.00-\$25.00	July....	\$23.50-\$24.00	Oct.....	\$23.50-\$24.00	
Feb.....	21.00- 23.50	May.....	23.50- 24.00	Aug....	23.50- 24.00	Nov.....	23.50- 24.00	
Mar.....	23.00- 23.50	June....	23.50- 24.00	Sept....	23.50- 24.00	Dec.....	24.00- 25.00	
							Average.	\$23.5417

**LUMBER: Maple, hard and soft, 1-inch (4-4), firsts and seconds.**

[Price per M feet, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$37.00-\$40.00	Apr.....	\$40.00-\$42.00	July....	\$40.00-\$42.00	Oct.....	\$40.00-\$42.00	
Feb.....	37.00- 40.00	May.....	40.00- 42.00	Aug....	40.00- 42.00	Nov.....	40.00- 42.00	
Mar.....	37.00- 40.00	June....	40.00- 42.00	Sept....	40.00- 42.00	Dec.....	42.00- 45.00	
							Average.	\$40.5833

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS—Continued.

LUMBER: Oak, white, plain, mixed, rock, mountain, or West Virginia stock, 1-inch (4-4), firsts and seconds.

[Price per M feet, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$59.00-\$62.00	Apr....	\$60.00-\$63.00	July...	\$60.00-\$63.00	Oct.....	\$60.00-\$63.00	
Feb.....	59.00- 62.00	May....	60.00- 63.00	Aug....	60.00- 63.00	Nov.....	60.00- 63.00	
Mar.....	60.00- 63.00	June...	60.00- 63.00	Sept...	60.00- 63.00	Dec.....	60.00- 63.00	
							Average.	\$61.3333

LUMBER: Oak, white, quartered, Indiana, firsts and seconds, 6 inches and up wide, 10 to 16 feet long.

[Price per M feet, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$85.00-\$88.00	Apr....	\$85.00-\$88.00	July...	\$85.00-\$88.00	Oct.....	\$85.00-\$88.00	
Feb.....	85.00- 88.00	May....	85.00- 88.00	Aug....	85.00- 88.00	Nov.....	85.00- 88.00	
Mar.....	85.00- 88.00	June...	85.00- 88.00	Sept...	85.00- 88.00	Dec.....	85.00- 88.00	
							Average.	\$86.5000

LUMBER: Pine, white, boards, No. 2 barn, 10 inches wide, rough.

[Price per M feet, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$37.50	Apr....	\$37.50	July...	\$37.50	Oct.....	\$37.50	
Feb.....	37.50	May....	37.50	Aug....	37.50	Nov.....	37.50	
Mar.....	37.50	June...	37.50	Sept...	37.50	Dec.....	37.50	
							Average.	\$37.5000

LUMBER: Pine, white, boards, uppers, 1-inch (4-4), rough.

[Price per M feet, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$103.50	Apr....	\$103.50	July...	\$103.50	Oct.....	\$103.50	
Feb.....	103.50	May....	103.50	Aug....	103.50	Nov.....	103.50	
Mar.....	103.50	June...	103.50	Sept...	103.50	Dec.....	103.50	
							Average.	\$103.5000

LUMBER: Pine, yellow, flooring, longleaf, B, heartface, rift sawn, 13/16 by 2½ face (counted 1 by 3), D. & M.

[Price per M feet, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$39.50	Apr....	\$40.00	July...	\$38.00	Oct.....	\$39.00	
Feb.....	40.00	May....	40.00	Aug....	38.00	Nov.....	40.00	
Mar.....	40.00	June...	39.00	Sept...	38.00	Dec.....	41.00	
							Average.	\$39.3750

LUMBER: Pine, yellow, siding, longleaf, boards, heartface, 1-inch and 1½-inch.

[Price per M feet, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$30.00	Apr....	\$31.00	July...	\$32.00	Oct.....	\$32.00	
Feb.....	31.00	May....	32.00	Aug....	32.00	Nov.....	\$34.00- 36.00	
Mar.....	31.00	June...	32.00	Sept...	32.00	Dec.....	( <sup>1</sup> )	
							Average.	\$31.6182

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS—Continued.****LUMBER: Poplar, yellow, 1-inch, firsts and seconds, 7 to 17 inches and up wide, rough.**

[Price per M feet, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$58.00-\$62.00	Apr.....	\$80.00-\$83.00	July....	\$60.00-\$63.00	Oct.....	\$57.00-\$62.00	
Feb.....	58.00- 62.00	May.....	80.00- 83.00	Aug....	57.00- 62.00	Nov.....	57.00- 62.00	
Mar.....	58.00- 62.00	June....	80.00- 83.00	Sept...	57.00- 62.00	Dec.....	57.00- 62.00	
							Average.	\$60.2917

**LUMBER: Spruce, 6 to 9 inch, cargoes, eastern.**

[Price per M feet, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the New York Lumber Trade Journal.]

Jan.....	\$26.00-\$28.00	Apr.....	\$27.00-\$29.00	July....	\$27.00-\$30.00	Oct.....	\$26.00-\$29.00	
Feb.....	26.00- 28.00	May.....	28.00- 35.00	Aug....	26.00- 29.00	Nov.....	26.00- 29.00	
Mar.....	27.00- 29.00	June....	28.00- 35.00	Sept...	26.00- 29.00	Dec.....	26.00- 29.00	
							Average.	\$28.2500

**PAINT MATERIALS: Lead, carbonate of (white lead), American, in oil.**

[Price per pound (100-pound packages or over), at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.07½	Apr.....	\$0.09½	July....	\$0.09½	Oct.....	\$0.09½	
Feb.....	.08	May.....	.09½	Aug....	.09½	Nov.....	.09½	
Mar.....	.08½	June....	.09½	Sept...	.09½	Dec.....	.09½	
							Average.	\$0.0927

**PAINT MATERIALS: Linseed oil, raw, in barrels.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.66	Apr.....	\$0.76	July....	\$0.63	Oct.....	\$0.82	
Feb.....	.72	May.....	.75	Aug....	.71	Nov.....	.90	
Mar.....	.77	June....	.67	Sept...	.70	Dec.....	.92	
							Average.	\$0.7508

**PAINT MATERIALS: Turpentine, spirits of, southern, in barrels.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.57-\$0.57½	Apr.....	\$0.55-\$0.55½	July....	\$0.41½	Oct.....	\$0.46-\$0.46½	
Feb.....	.57½-.58	May.....	.41	Aug....	\$0.46½-.47	Nov.....	.48	
Mar.....	.53	June....	.43½	Sept...	.46-.47	Dec.....	.52½	
							Average.	\$0.4910

**PAINT MATERIALS: Zinc, oxide of (zinc white), American.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.08½	Apr.....	\$0.08½	July....	\$0.09½	Oct.....	\$0.09½	
Feb.....	.08½	May.....	.08½	Aug....	.09½	Nov.....	.09½	
Mar.....	.08½	June....	.08½	Sept...	.09½	Dec.....	.09½	
							Average.	\$0.0919

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS—Concluded.**

**PUTTY: Commercial, in 1, 2, 3, and 5 pound tins.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.0265	Apr.....	\$0.0330	July....	\$0.0330	Oct.....	\$0.0330	
Feb.....	.0330	May.....	.0330	Aug.....	.0330	Nov.....	.0330	
Mar.....	.0330	June....	.0330	Sept....	.0330	Dec.....	.0330	
							Average.	\$0.0325

**ROSIN: Common to good, strained.**

[Price per barrel of 450 pounds, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$5.95	Apr.....	\$5.20	July....	\$5.50	Oct.....	\$6.25	
Feb.....	5.75	May.....	4.30	Aug.....	6.65	Nov.....	6.55	
Mar.....	5.40	June....	5.10	Sept....	6.15	Dec.....	6.80	
							Average.	\$5.8000

**SHINGLES: Cypress, best all heart, 5 inches wide, 16 inches long.**

[Price per M, f. o. b. New Orleans, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$3.25	Apr.....	\$3.40	July....	\$3.40	Oct.....	\$3.50	
Feb.....	3.40	May.....	3.40	Aug.....	3.40	Nov.....	3.65	
Mar.....	3.40	June....	3.40	Sept....	3.50	Dec.....	3.65	
							Average.	\$3.4458

**SHINGLES: Red cedar, clear, random width, 16 inches long.**

[Average monthly prices per M, at mills, State of Washington.]

Jan.....	\$1.77	Apr.....	\$1.83	July....	\$1.85	Oct.....	\$2.00	
Feb.....	1.86	May.....	1.81	Aug.....	1.84	Nov.....	2.10	
Mar.....	1.91	June....	1.80	Sept....	1.80	Dec.....	2.05	
							Average.	\$1.9100

**TAR: Pine.**

[Price per barrel of 48 gallons, at Wilmington, N. C., on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$2.10	Apr.....	\$2.00	July....	\$2.30	Oct.....	\$2.60	
Feb.....	2.00	May.....	1.90	Aug.....	2.60	Nov.....	2.60	
Mar.....	1.70	June....	1.90	Sept....	2.75	Dec.....	2.60	
							Average.	\$2.2542

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**

**ALCOHOL: Grain, 190 proof, U. S. P.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$2.64	Apr.....	\$2.66	July....	\$2.66	Oct.....	\$2.66	
Feb.....	2.64	May.....	2.66	Aug.....	2.66	Nov.....	2.70	
Mar.....	2.66	June....	2.66	Sept....	2.66	Dec.....	2.70	
							Average.	\$2.6633

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS**—Continued.**ALCOHOL: Wood, refined, 95 per cent.**

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.55	Apr.....	\$0.65	July....	\$0.65	Oct.....	\$0.70	
Feb.....	.60	May....	.65	Aug....	.65	Nov.....	.75	
Mar.....	.65	June....	.65	Sept....	.65	Dec.....	.50	
							Average.	\$0.6708

**ALUM: Lump.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr....	\$0.04½	July....	\$0.04	Oct.....	\$0.04	
Feb.....	.04	May....	.04½	Aug....	.04	Nov.....	.04	
Mar.....	.04½	June....	.04½	Sept....	.04	Dec.....	.04	
							Average.	\$0.0408

**BORAX: Crystals, and granulated, sacks.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.05½	Apr....	\$0.06½	July....	\$0.06½	Oct.....	\$0.06½	
Feb.....	.06½	May....	.06½	Aug....	.06½	Nov.....	.06½	
Mar.....	.06½	June....	.06½	Sept....	.06½	Dec.....	.06½	
							Average.	\$0.0654

**GLYCERIN: Refined, chemically pure, in bulk.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.52½	Apr....	\$0.57	July....	\$0.50	Oct.....	\$0.45	
Feb.....	.52	May....	.60	Aug....	.40	Nov.....	.52½	
Mar.....	.53	June....	.55	Sept....	.40	Dec.....	.52½	
							Average.	\$0.5079

**MURIATIC ACID: 20°.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.02	Apr....	\$0.02½	July....	\$0.02½	Oct.....	\$0.02	
Feb.....	.02½	May....	.02½	Aug....	.02½	Nov.....	.02	
Mar.....	.02½	June....	.03½	Sept....	.02½	Dec.....	.02	
							Average.	\$0.0246

**OPIUM: Natural, in cases.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$11.00	Apr....	\$11.50	July....	\$11.40	Oct.....	\$10.50	
Feb.....	11.00	May....	11.50	Aug....	10.90	Nov.....	12.00	
Mar.....	11.50	June....	11.50	Sept....	10.75	Dec.....	12.50	
							Average.	\$11.3375

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS—Concluded.**

**QUININE: Manufacturers' quotations, in 100-ounce tins.**

[Price per ounce, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.75	Apr....	\$0.75	July...	\$0.75	Oct.....	\$0.50	
Feb.....	.75	May....	.75	Aug....	.75	Nov.....	.50	
Mar.....	.75	June...	.75	Sept...	.65	Dec.....	.55	
							Average.	\$0.6833

**SULPHUR (BRIMSTONE): Stick, crude.**

[Price per ton (2,240 pounds), at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$22.00	Apr....	\$29.00	July...	\$35.00	Oct.....	\$35.00	
Feb.....	22.00	May....	29.50	Aug....	35.00	Nov.....	35.00	
Mar.....	28.50	June...	35.00	Sept...	35.00	Dec.....	35.00	
							Average.	\$31.3333

**SULPHURIC ACID: 66°.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.02	Apr....	\$0.02½	July...	\$0.02	Oct.....	\$0.01½	
Feb.....	.02½	May....	.02½	Aug....	.01½	Nov.....	.01½	
Mar.....	.02½	June...	.02½	Sept...	.01½	Dec.....	.01½	
							Average.	\$0.0200

**HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS.**

**EARTHENWARE: Plates, cream-colored, 7-inch.**

[Price per dozen, f. o. b. Trenton, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.4344	Apr....	\$0.4607	July...	\$0.4607	Oct.....	\$0.4607	
Feb.....	.4344	May....	.4607	Aug....	.4607	Nov.....	.4607	
Mar.....	.4344	June...	.4607	Sept...	.4607	Dec.....	.4607	
							Average.	\$0.4541

**EARTHENWARE: Plates, white, granite, 7-inch.**

[Price per dozen, f. o. b. Trenton, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.4914	Apr....	\$0.4914	July...	\$0.4914	Oct.....	\$0.4914	
Feb.....	.4914	May....	.4914	Aug....	.4914	Nov.....	.4914	
Mar.....	.4914	June...	.4914	Sept...	.4914	Dec.....	.4914	
							Average.	\$0.4844

**EARTHENWARE: Teacups and saucers, white, granite, with handles.**

[Price per dozen cups and dozen saucers, f. o. b. Trenton, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.5702	Apr....	\$0.6048	July...	\$0.6048	Oct.....	\$0.6048	
Feb.....	.5702	May....	.6048	Aug....	.6048	Nov.....	.6048	
Mar.....	.5702	June...	.6048	Sept...	.6048	Dec.....	.6048	
							Average.	\$0.5962

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS—Continued.****FURNITURE: Bedroom sets, 3 pieces, iron bedstead, hardwood dresser, and washstand.**

[Price per set, at Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$17.75	Apr.....	\$18.10	July...	\$21.65	Oct.....	\$21.65
Feb.....	17.75	May....	19.25	Aug....	21.65	Nov.....	21.65
Mar.....	18.10	June....	19.25	Sept...	21.65	Dec.....	21.65
						Average.	\$20.0083

**FURNITURE: Chairs, bedroom, oak, cane seat, rocker.**

[Price per dozen, at Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$11.50	Apr....	\$12.50	July...	\$12.50	Oct.....	\$13.50
Feb.....	11.50	May....	12.50	Aug....	13.50	Nov.....	13.50
Mar.....	11.50	June....	12.50	Sept...	13.50	Dec.....	13.50
						Average.	\$12.6667

**FURNITURE: Chairs, kitchen, hardwood, bow back, 4-spindle.**

[Price per dozen, at Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$6.50	Apr....	\$7.00	July....	\$7.00	Oct.....	\$7.75
Feb.....	6.50	May....	7.00	Aug....	7.50	Nov.....	7.75
Mar.....	6.50	June....	7.00	Sept...	7.50	Dec.....	7.75
						Average.	\$7.1458

**FURNITURE: Tables, kitchen, 2 by 3½ feet, with drawer, hardwood base, white wood top.**

[Price each, at Chicago, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$1.45	Apr....	\$1.55	July...	\$1.60	Oct.....	\$1.60
Feb.....	1.45	May....	1.55	Aug....	1.60	Nov.....	1.60
Mar.....	1.55	June....	1.55	Sept...	1.60	Dec.....	1.60
						Average.	\$1.5583

**GLASSWARE: Nappies, 4-inch, common.**

[Price per dozen, f. o. b. factory, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.15	Apr....	\$0.15	July...	\$0.17	Oct.....	\$0.17½
Feb.....	.15	May....	.15	Aug....	.17	Nov.....	.17½
Mar.....	.15	June....	.15	Sept...	.17	Dec.....	.17½
						Average.	\$0.1613

**GLASSWARE: Pitchers, ½-gallon, common.**

[Price per dozen, f. o. b. factory, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.95	Apr....	\$0.95	July...	\$1.00	Oct.....	\$1.10
Feb.....	.95	May....	.95	Aug....	1.00	Nov.....	1.10
Mar.....	.95	June....	.95	Sept...	1.00	Dec.....	1.10
						Average.	\$1.0000



TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS—Concluded.**

**GLASSWARE: Tumblers, table, ½-pint, common.**

[Price per dozen, f. o. b. factory, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.12	Apr.....	\$0.12	July....	\$0.12	Oct.....	\$0.13	
Feb.....	.12	May.....	.12	Aug.....	.12	Nov.....	.14	
Mar.....	.12	June....	.12	Sept....	.13	Dec.....	.14	
							Average.	\$0.1250

**TABLE CUTLERY: Carvers, stag handles, No. 016, 8-inch.**

[Price per pair on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$0.80	Apr.....	\$0.80	July....	\$0.90	Oct.....	\$0.90	
Feb.....	.80	May.....	.80	Aug.....	.90	Nov.....	.90	
Mar.....	.80	June....	.90	Sept....	.90	Dec.....	.90	
							Average.	\$0.8583

**TABLE CUTLERY: Knives and forks, cocobolo handles, metal bolsters, No. 210.**

[Price per gross on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$6.25	Apr.....	\$6.25	July....	\$6.75	Oct.....	\$7.50	
Feb.....	6.25	May.....	6.25	Aug.....	6.75	Nov.....	7.50	
Mar.....	6.25	June....	6.75	Sept....	7.50	Dec.....	8.50	
							Average.	\$6.8750

**WOODENWARE: Pails, oak-grained, 3-hoop, wire ears.**

[Price per dozen, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.80	Apr.....	\$1.85	July....	\$1.85	Oct.....	\$1.85	
Feb.....	1.80	May.....	1.85	Aug.....	1.85	Nov.....	1.85	
Mar.....	1.80	June....	1.85	Sept....	1.85	Dec.....	1.85	
							Average.	\$1.8375

**WOODENWARE: Tubs, oak-grained, 3 in nest, C, 19, 21, and 23 inches in diameter.**

[Price per nest, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$1.90	Apr.....	\$1.90	July....	\$1.90	Oct.....	\$2.00	
Feb.....	1.90	May.....	1.90	Aug.....	1.90	Nov.....	2.00	
Mar.....	1.90	June....	1.90	Sept....	2.00	Dec.....	2.00	
							Average.	\$1.9333

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**BEER: Western, light or dark.**

[Price per barrel, f. o. b. brewery, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$5.73	Apr.....	\$5.85	July....	\$5.90	Oct.....	\$5.89	
Feb.....	5.77	May.....	5.86	Aug.....	5.90	Nov.....	5.87	
Mar.....	5.82	June....	5.88	Sept....	5.90	Dec.....	5.85	
							Average.	\$5.8517

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

## MISCELLANEOUS—Continued.

## COTTONSEED MEAL: Prime.

[Price per ton of 2,000 pounds, f. o. b. New York, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$38.38	Apr....	\$34.50	July...	\$33.10	Oct.....	\$38.10
Feb.....	36.00	May....	34.10	Aug....	33.10	Nov.....	44.60
Mar.....	33.00	June...	33.10	Sept...	36.60	Dec.....	45.60
						Average.	\$36.6817

## COTTONSEED OIL: Prime, summer, yellow.

[Price per pound, at New York, on Tuesday of each week; quotations furnished by the statistician of the New York Produce Exchange.]

Jan....	\$0.0890	Apr....	\$0.1035	July...	( <sup>1</sup> )	Oct.....	\$0.1080-\$0.1100
	.0885		.1050		\$0.1050		.1150
	.0915		\$0.1050-		.1125		.1205
	.0915		.1080		.1090		.1240
					\$0.0940		.1240
Feb.....	.0905	May....	.1074-	Aug....	.0925	Nov.....	( <sup>1</sup> )
	\$0.0930-		.1095-		.0930		.1265
	.0940		.1050-		.0938		.1270
	( <sup>1</sup> )		.1075		.0906-		.1275
	.0985-		.1090		.0930		
Mar.....	.1030-	June...	.1080	Sept...	.1000	Dec.....	.1270
	.1030-		.1075		.0975-		.1240
	.1090-		.1100-		.1040		.1230
	.1130		.1080		.1040		.1240
	.1060-					Average.	\$0.1064

## JUTE: Raw, M-double triangle, shipment, medium grades.

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.065	Apr....	\$0.081	July...	\$0.075	Oct.....	\$0.080
Feb.....	.072	May....	.075	Aug....	.075	Nov.....	.080
Mar.....	.081	June...	.075	Sept...	.077	Dec.....	.080
						Average.	\$0.0763

## LUBRICATING OIL: Paraffin 903 specific gravity.

[Price per gallon, at New York, on the first Saturday of each month; quotations from the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter.]

Jan.....	\$0.16½-\$0.17	Apr....	\$0.17-\$0.18	July...	\$0.21½	Oct.....	\$0.21½
Feb.....	.16½-.17	May....	.21½-.22	Aug....	.21½	Nov.....	.21½
Mar.....	.17-.18	June...	.21½	Sept...	.21½	Dec.....	.21½
						Average.	\$0.2006

## MALT: Standard, keg beer.

[Price per bushel (34 pounds), at New York, on or near the last of each month; quotations from the Brewers' Journal.]

Jan.....	\$0.94	Apr....	\$0.91-\$0.92	July...	\$0.90-\$0.91	Oct.....	\$1.33
Feb.....	.88	May....	.92-.95	Aug....	1.25	Nov.....	1.43
Mar.....	\$0.87-.90	June...	.92-.94	Sept...	1.25	Dec.....	\$1.38-1.39
						Average.	\$1.0863

<sup>1</sup> Holiday.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**MISCELLANEOUS—Continued.**

**PAPER: News, rolls, contracts.**

[Price per pound, f. o. b. mills, on the first Wednesday of each month; quotations from the Paper Trade Journal.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$0.0200-\$0.0215	Apr.....	\$0.0235	July....	\$0.0300	Oct.....	\$0.0250-\$0.0350
Feb.....	.0210- .0225	May....	.0235	Aug....	\$0.0275- .0350	Nov.....	.0300
Mar.....	.0210- .0225	June....	( <sup>1</sup> )	Sept....	.0250- .0350	Dec.....	.0310- .0375
						Average.	\$0.0270

**PAPER: Wrapping, manila, No. 1 jute.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first Friday of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.0475-\$0.0500	Apr.....	\$0.0500-\$0.0525	July....	\$0.1000	Oct.....	\$0.1000
Feb.....	.0475- .0500	May....	.0500- .0525	Aug....	.1000	Nov.....	.1000
Mar.....	.0500- .0525	June....	.1000	Sept....	.1000	Dec.....	.1000
						Average.	\$0.0793

**PROOF SPIRITS: Finished-goods basis (whisky).**

[Revised Statutes, sec. 3249: "Proof spirits shall be held to be that alcoholic liquor which contains one-half its volume of alcohol of a specific gravity of 0.7939 at 60° F." Price per gallon, on the first of each month; quotations from the Peoria Herald Transcript.]

Jan.....	\$1.39	Apr.....	\$1.40	July....	\$1.40	Oct.....	\$1.42
Feb.....	1.39	May....	1.40	Aug....	1.40	Nov.....	1.44
Mar.....	1.40	June....	1.40	Sept....	1.40	Dec.....	1.44
						Average.	\$1.4067

**ROPE: Pure manila, first grade, 5/8-inch (base size) and larger, three strand.**

[Price per pound, jobber to retailer, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Hardware Age.]

Jan.....	\$0.14	Apr.....	\$0.18	July....	\$0.19	Oct.....	\$0.19
Feb.....	.17	May....	.19	Aug....	.19	Nov.....	.19
Mar.....	.18	June....	.19	Sept....	.19	Dec.....	.19
						Average.	\$0.1825

**RUBBER: Para Island, fine.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month; quotations from the Journal of Commerce.]

Jan.....	\$0.88-\$0.89	Apr.....	\$0.69-\$0.70	July....	\$0.59	Oct.....	\$0.66-\$0.67
Feb.....	.68- .69	May....	.66	Aug....	\$0.58- .59	Nov.....	.67
Mar.....	.70- .71	June....	.59	Sept....	.58- .58½	Dec.....	.72
						Average.	\$0.6694

**SOAP: Laundry.**

[Price per box of 100 bars (75 pounds), at Philadelphia, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$3.60	Apr.....	\$3.60	July....	\$3.60	Oct.....	\$3.75
Feb.....	3.60	May....	3.60	Aug....	3.60	Nov.....	3.75
Mar.....	3.60	June....	3.60	Sept....	3.60	Dec.....	3.75
						Average.	\$3.6375

<sup>1</sup> No quotation.

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Continued.

**MISCELLANEOUS**—Continued.**SOAP: Laundry.**

[Price per box of 100 eleven-ounce cakes, at Cincinnati, to jobbers, on the first of each month; 2 per cent off for cash.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	
Jan.....	\$2.745	Apr.....	\$2.745	July....	\$2.745	Oct.....	\$2.880	
Feb.....	2.745	May.....	2.745	Aug....	2.745	Nov.....	3.150	
Mar.....	2.745	June....	2.745	Sept....	2.880	Dec.....	3.150	
							Average.	\$2.8350

**STARCH: Laundry, 50-pound boxes, in bulk.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.04	Apr.....	\$0.04	July....	\$0.04½	Oct.....	\$0.05	
Feb.....	.04	May.....	.04	Aug....	.04½	Nov.....	.05	
Mar.....	.04	June....	.04½	Sept....	.05	Dec.....	.05	
							Average.	\$0.0446

**TOBACCO: Plug, Climax, 12 pieces to the pound.**

[Price per pound, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$0.49	Apr.....	\$0.49	July....	\$0.49	Oct.....	\$0.49	
Feb.....	.49	May.....	.49	Aug....	.49	Nov.....	.49	
Mar.....	.49	June....	.49	Sept....	.49	Dec.....	.49	
							Average.	\$0.4900

**TOBACCO: Smoking, granulated, Blackwell's Bull Durham, 1-ounce bags.**

[Price per gross of 1-ounce bags, at New York, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$5.76	Apr.....	\$5.76	July....	\$5.76	Oct.....	\$5.76	
Feb.....	5.76	May.....	5.76	Aug....	5.76	Nov.....	5.76	
Mar.....	5.76	June....	5.76	Sept....	5.76	Dec.....	5.76	
							Average.	\$5.7600

**WHISKY: Bourbon, straight, 4 years in bond, 100 proof, in barrels.**

[Price per proof gallon, f. o. b. distillery in Kentucky, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.75	Apr.....	\$2.75	July....	\$2.75	Oct.....	\$2.75	
Feb.....	2.75	May.....	2.75	Aug....	2.75	Nov.....	2.75	
Mar.....	2.75	June....	2.75	Sept....	2.75	Dec.....	2.75	
							Average.	\$2.7500

**WHISKY: Bourbon, straight, bottled in bond.**

[Price per case of 12 quarts, f. o. b. distillery in Kentucky, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$12.00	Apr.....	\$12.00	July....	\$12.00	Oct.....	\$12.00	
Feb.....	12.00	May.....	12.00	Aug....	12.00	Nov.....	12.00	
Mar.....	12.00	June....	12.00	Sept....	12.00	Dec.....	12.00	
							Average.	\$12.0000

TABLE A.—WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES, FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1916—Concluded.

MISCELLANEOUS—Concluded.

WHISKY: Rye, straight, 4 years in bond, 100 proof, in barrels.

[Price per proof gallon, f. o. b. distillery in Illinois, on the first of each month.]

Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.	Month.	Price.
Jan.....	\$1.57½	Apr....	\$1.60	July....	\$1.95	Oct.....	\$1.95
Feb.....	1.60	May....	1.60	Aug....	1.95	Nov.....	1.95
Mar.....	1.60	June...	1.60	Sept...	1.95	Dec.....	1.95
						Average.	\$1.7729

WHISKY: Rye, straight, 4 years in bond, 100 proof, in barrels.

[Price per proof gallon, f. o. b. distillery in Pennsylvania, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$2.15	Apr....	\$2.15	July....	\$2.15	Oct.....	\$2.15
Feb.....	2.15	May....	2.15	Aug....	2.15	Nov.....	2.15
Mar.....	2.15	June...	2.15	Sept...	2.15	Dec.....	2.15
						Average.	\$2.1500

WHISKY: Rye, straight, bottled in bond.

[Price per case of 12 quarts, f. o. b. distillery in Illinois, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$8.50	Apr....	\$8.50	July....	\$8.50	Oct.....	\$8.50
Feb.....	8.50	May....	8.50	Aug....	8.50	Nov.....	8.50
Mar.....	8.50	June...	8.50	Sept...	8.50	Dec.....	8.50
						Average.	\$8.5000

WHISKY: Rye, straight, bottled in bond.

[Price per case of 12 quarts, f. o. b. distillery in Pennsylvania, on the first of each month.]

Jan.....	\$8.25	Apr....	\$8.25	July....	\$8.25	Oct.....	\$8.35
Feb.....	8.25	May....	8.25	Aug....	8.25	Nov.....	8.50
Mar.....	8.25	June...	8.25	Sept...	8.35	Dec.....	8.50
						Average.	\$8.3083

WOOD PULP: Sulphite, domestic, unbleached.

[Price per 100 pounds, at New York, near the first of each month; quotations from "Paper."]

Jan.....	\$2.45-\$2.70	Apr....	\$3.00-\$3.30	July....	\$3.50-\$3.75	Oct.....	\$5.00-\$5.25
Feb.....	2.45- 2.70	May....	3.50- 3.75	Aug....	3.75- 4.00	Nov.....	5.00- 5.25
Mar.....	2.70- 3.00	June...	3.50- 3.75	Sept...	4.00- 4.50	Dec.....	5.25- 5.50
						Average.	\$3.8146

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916.

[This table shows the average actual and the relative price of each commodity, each year from 1890 to 1916, and each month in 1916; also the per cent of increase or decrease in price, each year or month, as compared with the preceding year or month. The base price of each commodity, on which the relative prices are based, is shown in heavy-faced type and is the average of the actual prices for 1890-1899. For further explanation and discussion of the table, see p. 59. For a more detailed description of the articles, see Table A.]

Year or month.	Farm products.									
	Cotton.						Flaxseed: No. 1.			
	Middling, upland: New York.			Middling: New Orleans.			Chicago market, average price per bushel.	Minneapolis market, average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.0776</b>	<b>100.0</b>					<b>\$1.1132</b>	<b>100.0</b>		
1890.....	.1109	142.9				1.3967	125.5			
1891.....	.0861	110.8	-22.4			1.0805	97.1	-22.6		
1892.....	.0769	99.0	-10.7			1.0179	91.4	-5.8		
1893.....	.0832	107.2	+ 8.2			1.0875	97.7	+ 6.8		
1894.....	.0700	90.2	-15.8			1.3533	121.6	+24.4		
1895.....	.0730	94.0	+ 4.2			1.2449	111.8	- 8.0		
1896.....	.0792	102.0	+ 8.5			.8119	72.9	-34.8		
1897.....	.0715	92.2	- 9.7			.8696	78.1	+ 7.1		
1898.....	.0597	76.9	-16.5			1.1115	99.8	+27.8		
1899.....	.0658	84.7	+10.1			1.1578	104.0	+ 4.2		
1900.....	.0961	123.8	+46.1			1.6223	145.7	+40.1		
1901.....	.0863	111.1	-10.2			1.6227	145.8	+ (1)		
1902.....	.0893	115.1	+ 3.5			1.5027	135.0	- 7.4		
1903.....	.1124	144.7	+25.8			1.0471	94.1	-30.3		
1904.....	.1210	155.9	+ 7.7			1.1088	99.6	+ 5.9		
1905.....	.0955	123.1	-21.0			1.1979	107.6	+ 8.0		
1906.....	.1103	142.0	+15.4			1.1037	99.1	- 7.9		
1907.....	.1188	153.0	+ 7.7			1.1808	106.1	+ 7.1		
1908.....	.1046	134.8	-11.9			1.2019	108.0	+ 1.8		
1909.....	.1211	156.0	+15.7			1.5652	140.6	+30.2		
1910.....	.1512	194.8	+24.9			2.2671	203.7	+44.8		
1911.....	.1304	168.0	-13.8			2.3915	214.8	+ 5.5		
1912.....	.1150	148.2	-11.8			1.8656	167.6	-22.0		
1913.....	.1279	164.8	+11.2	\$0.1270	(2)	.....	1.3490	117.8	-29.7	
1914.....	.1210	155.9	- 5.4	.1126	(2)	-11.3	1.5251	133.2	+13.1	
1915.....	.1015	130.8	-16.1	.0961	(2)	-14.7	1.7940	156.6	+17.6	
1916.....	.1447	186.5	+42.6	.1410	(2)	+46.7	2.2283	194.6	+24.2	
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.1240	159.8	+ .3	.1205	(2)	+ 1.7	2.1700	189.5	+ 8.4	
February.....	.1174	151.3	- 5.3	.1142	(2)	- 5.2	2.2725	198.5	+ 4.7	
March.....	.1194	153.9	+ 1.7	.1177	(2)	+ 3.1	2.3100	201.8	+ 1.7	
April.....	.1206	155.4	+ 1.0	.1188	(2)	+ .9	2.1975	191.9	- 4.9	
May.....	.1291	166.4	+ 7.0	.1257	(2)	+ 5.8	2.0725	181.0	- 5.7	
June.....	.1294	166.8	+ .2	.1280	(2)	+ 1.8	1.8650	162.9	-10.0	
July.....	.1304	168.0	+ .8	.1303	(2)	+ 1.8	1.7900	156.3	- 4.0	
August.....	.1454	187.4	+11.5	.1417	(2)	+ 8.7	2.1000	183.4	+17.3	
September.....	.1584	204.1	+ 8.9	.1532	(2)	+ 8.1	2.0900	182.5	- .5	
October.....	.1812	233.5	+14.4	.1723	(2)	+12.5	2.4400	213.1	+16.7	
November.....	.2006	258.5	+10.7	.1960	(2)	+13.8	2.6425	230.8	+ 8.3	
December.....	.1824	235.1	- 9.1	.1757	(2)	-10.4	2.7900	243.7	+ 5.6	

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent. <sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.									
	Grain.									
	Barley: by sample.			Corn: cash, contract grades.			Corn: cash, No. 3, mixed.			
	Choice to fancy malting, average price per bushel.	Fair to good malting, average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.4534</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.3804</b>	<b>100.0</b>				
1890.....	.5062		111.6		.3950	103.8				
1891.....	.6098		134.5	+20.5	.5744	151.0	+45.4			
1892.....	.5085		112.2	-16.6	.4500	118.3	-21.7			
1893.....	.4685		103.3	-7.9	.3964	104.2	-11.9			
1894.....	.5134		113.2	+9.6	.4326	113.7	+9.1			
1895.....	.4300		94.8	-16.2	.3955	104.0	-8.6			
1896.....	.2977		65.7	-30.8	.2580	67.8	-34.8			
1897.....	.3226		71.2	+8.4	.2546	66.9	-1.3			
1898.....	.4348		95.9	+34.8	.3144	82.6	+23.5			
1899.....	.4425		97.6	+1.8	.3333	87.6	+6.0			
1900.....	.4815		106.2	+8.8	.3811	100.2	+14.3			
1901.....	.5884		129.8	+22.2	.4969	130.6	+30.4			
1902.....	.6321		139.4	+7.4	.5968	156.9	+20.1			
1903.....	.5494		121.2	-13.1	.4606	121.1	-22.8			
1904.....	.5300		116.9	-3.5	.5046	132.6	+9.6			
1905.....	.4850		107.0	-8.5	.5010	131.7	-7.7			
1906.....	.5116		112.8	+5.5	.4632	121.8	-7.5			
1907.....	.7663		169.0	+49.8	.5280	138.8	+14.0			
1908.....	.7336		161.8	-4.3	.6843	179.9	+29.6			
1909.....	.6740		148.7	-8.1	.6677	175.5	-2.4			
1910.....	.7197		158.7	+6.8	.5810	152.7	-13.0			
1911.....	1.1023		243.1	+53.2	.5900	155.1	+1.5			
1912.....	1.0188		224.7	-7.6	.6855	180.2	+16.2			
1913.....	.6941	\$.6253	153.1	-31.9	.6251	164.3	-8.8	\$.6155	(1)	
1914.....		.6151	150.7	-1.6	.6953	182.7	+11.2	.6826	(1)	+10.9
1915.....		.7037	172.4	+14.4	.7295	191.8	+4.9	.7217	(1)	+5.7
1916.....		.8674	212.4	+23.3	.8252	216.9	+13.1	.8118	(1)	+12.5
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....		.7563	185.2	+11.6	.7613	200.1	+6.2	.7356	(1)	+8.3
February.....		.7450	182.4	-1.5	.7633	200.7	+3.3	.7385	(1)	+4.4
March.....		.7200	176.3	-3.4	.7416	195.0	-2.8	.7150	(1)	-3.2
April.....		.7300	178.7	+1.4	.7603	199.9	+2.5	.7525	(1)	+5.2
May.....		.7520	184.1	+3.0	.7443	195.7	-2.1	.7293	(1)	-3.1
June.....		.7500	183.6	-.3	.7394	194.4	-7.7	.7341	(1)	+7.7
July.....		.7463	182.7	-.5	.8075	212.3	+9.2	.8041	(1)	+9.5
August.....		.9010	220.6	+20.7	.8553	224.8	+5.9	.8505	(1)	+5.8
September.....		1.0288	251.9	+14.2	.8691	228.5	+1.6	.8522	(1)	+2.2
October.....		1.0520	257.6	+2.3	.9550	251.1	+9.9	.9463	(1)	+11.0
November.....		1.1463	280.7	+9.0	.9825	253.3	+2.9	.9663	(1)	+2.1
December.....		1.0863	266.0	-5.2	.9191	241.6	-6.5	.9125	(1)	-5.0

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.								
	Grain.								
	Oats: cash.			Rye, No. 2: cash.			Wheat, No. 2, hard winter: cash, Kansas City.		
	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.2688</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.5288</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....
1890.....	.3106	115.6	.....	.5447	103.0	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891.....	.3873	144.1	+24.7	.8334	157.6	+53.0	.....	.....	.....
1892.....	.3042	113.2	-21.5	.6754	127.7	-19.0	.....	.....	.....
1893.....	.2827	105.2	-7.1	.4899	92.6	-27.5	.....	.....	.....
1894.....	.3110	115.7	+10.0	.4660	88.1	-4.9	.....	.....	.....
1895.....	.2373	88.3	-23.7	.4825	91.2	+3.5	.....	.....	.....
1896.....	.1801	67.0	-24.1	.3517	66.5	-27.1	.....	.....	.....
1897.....	.1825	67.9	+1.3	.3962	74.9	+12.7	.....	.....	.....
1898.....	.2470	91.9	+35.3	.4958	93.8	+25.1	.....	.....	.....
1899.....	.2452	91.2	- .7	.5521	104.4	+11.4	.....	.....	.....
1900.....	.2271	84.5	-7.4	.5177	97.9	-6.2	.....	.....	.....
1901.....	.3179	118.3	+40.0	.5328	100.8	+2.9	.....	.....	.....
1902.....	.3960	147.3	+24.6	.5418	102.5	+1.7	.....	.....	.....
1903.....	.3541	131.7	-10.6	.5156	97.5	-4.8	.....	.....	.....
1904.....	.3649	135.8	+3.0	.7056	133.4	+36.9	.....	.....	.....
1905.....	.2990	111.2	-18.1	.7113	134.5	+ .8	.....	.....	.....
1906.....	.3282	122.1	+9.8	.6107	115.5	-14.1	.....	.....	.....
1907.....	.4501	167.4	+37.1	.7688	145.4	+25.9	.....	.....	.....
1908.....	.5095	189.5	+13.2	.7825	148.0	+1.8	.....	.....	.....
1909.....	.4810	178.9	-5.6	.7826	148.0	+ (1)	.....	.....	.....
1910.....	.3856	143.5	-19.8	.7774	147.0	- .7	.....	.....	.....
1911.....	.3850	143.2	- .2	.9016	170.5	+16.0	.....	.....	.....
1912.....	.4380	162.9	+13.8	.7983	151.0	-11.5	.....	.....	.....
1913.....	.3758	139.8	-14.2	.6362	120.3	-20.3	\$0.8767	(2)	.....
1914.....	.4191	155.9	+11.5	.7675	145.1	+20.6	.9391	(2)	+7.1
1915.....	.4958	184.4	+18.3	1.0919	206.5	+42.3	1.2904	(2)	+37.4
1916.....	.4532	169.3	-8.2	1.1129	210.5	+1.9	1.3292	(2)	+3.0
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.4769	177.4	+12.1	1.0019	189.5	+3.7	1.2006	(2)	+10.1
February.....	.4575	170.2	-4.1	.9830	185.9	-1.9	1.2250	(2)	+2.0
March.....	.4238	157.7	-7.4	.9425	178.2	-4.1	1.0700	(2)	-12.7
April.....	.4422	164.5	+4.3	.9675	183.0	+2.7	1.1363	(2)	+6.2
May.....	.4448	165.5	+ .6	.9790	185.1	+1.2	1.1075	(2)	-2.5
June.....	.3933	146.3	-11.6	.9838	186.0	+ .5	1.0181	(2)	-8.1
July.....	.4053	150.8	+3.1	.9656	182.6	-1.8	1.0850	(2)	+6.6
August.....	.4308	160.3	+6.3	1.1230	212.4	+16.3	1.3894	(2)	+28.1
September.....	.4547	169.2	+5.5	1.2294	232.5	+9.5	1.5325	(2)	+10.3
October.....	.4898	182.2	+7.7	1.3065	247.1	+6.3	1.6520	(2)	+7.8
November.....	.5400	200.9	+10.2	1.4888	281.5	+14.0	1.8594	(2)	+12.6
December.....	.5028	187.1	-6.9	1.3988	264.5	-6.0	1.7200	(2)	-7.5

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.					
	Grain.					
	Wheat, No. 1, northern spring: cash, Minneapolis.			Wheat, bluestem: cash, Portland, Oreg.		
	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>						
1890.						
1891.						
1892.						
1893.						
1894.						
1895.						
1896.						
1897.						
1898.						
1899.						
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1901.						
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1903.						
1904.						
1905.						
1906.						
1907.						
1908.						
1909.						
1910.						
1911.						
1912.						
1913.	\$0. 8735	( <sup>1</sup> )		\$0. 9289	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1914.	1. 0031	( <sup>1</sup> )	+14. 8	1. 0087	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 8. 6
1915.	1. 3061	( <sup>1</sup> )	+30. 2	1. 1163	( <sup>1</sup> )	+10. 7
1916.	1. 4108	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 8. 0	1. 1753	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 5. 3
<b>1916.</b>						
January.	1. 2894	( <sup>1</sup> )	+14. 0	1. 0788	( <sup>1</sup> )	+10. 2
February.	1. 2825	( <sup>1</sup> )	— . 5	1. 0460	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 3. 0
March.	1. 1409	( <sup>1</sup> )	—11. 0	. 9825	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 6. 1
April.	1. 2169	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 6. 7	1. 0388	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 5. 7
May.	1. 2146	( <sup>1</sup> )	— . 2	1. 0150	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 2. 3
June.	1. 1143	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 8. 3	. 9588	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 5. 5
July.	1. 1703	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 5. 0	. 9950	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 3. 8
August.	1. 4854	( <sup>1</sup> )	+26. 9	1. 1740	( <sup>1</sup> )	+18. 0
September.	1. 6080	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 8. 3	1. 3263	( <sup>1</sup> )	+13. 0
October.	1. 7569	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 9. 3	1. 4620	( <sup>1</sup> )	+10. 2
November.	1. 9300	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 9. 9	1. 5800	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 8. 1
December.	1. 7611	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 8. 8	1. 4475	( <sup>1</sup> )	— 8. 4

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.						
	Grain.						
	Wheat: cash, Chicago.						
	Range of No. 1 northern spring and No. 2 red winter, average price per bushel.	No. 1 northern spring, average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	No. 2 red winter, average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> .....	<b>\$0.7510</b>		<b>100.0</b>				
1890.....	.8933		118.9				
1891.....	.9618		128.1	+ 7.7			
1892.....	.7876		104.9	-18.1			
1893.....	.6770		90.1	-14.0			
1894.....	.5587		74.4	-17.5			
1895.....	.6000		79.9	+ 7.4			
1896.....	.6413		85.4	+ 6.9			
1897.....	.7949		105.8	+24.0			
1898.....	.8849		117.8	+11.3			
1899.....	.7109		94.7	-19.7			
1900.....	.7040		93.7	- 1.0			
1901.....	.7187		95.7	+ 2.1			
1902.....	.7414		98.7	+ 3.2			
1903.....	.7895		105.1	+ 6.5			
1904.....	1.0390		138.3	+31.6			
1905.....	1.0104		134.5	- 2.8			
1906.....	.7931		105.6	-21.5			
1907.....	.9073		120.8	+14.4			
1908.....	.9899		131.8	+ 9.1			
1909.....	1.1997		159.7	+21.2			
1910.....	1.0973		146.1	- 8.5			
1911.....	.9844		131.1	-10.3			
1912.....	1.0490		139.7	+ 6.6			
1913.....	.9533	\$0.9131	126.9	- 9.1	\$0.9863	(1)	
1914.....		1.0412	144.7	+14.0	1.0051	(1)	+ 1.9
1915.....		1.3443	186.8	+29.1	1.3067	(1)	+30.0
1916.....		1.4165	196.9	+ 5.4	1.3505	(1)	+ 3.4
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....		1.2875	178.9	+ 7.0	1.2896	(1)	+ 4.7
February.....		1.2940	179.8	+ .5	1.2585	(1)	- 2.4
March.....		1.1666	162.1	- 9.8	1.1328	(1)	-10.0
April.....		1.2313	171.1	+ 5.5	1.2153	(1)	+ 7.3
May.....		1.2005	166.8	- 2.5	1.1554	(1)	- 4.9
June.....		1.1163	155.1	- 7.0	1.0413	(1)	- 9.9
July.....		1.1878	165.1	+ 6.4	1.1597	(1)	+11.4
August.....		1.4514	201.7	+22.2	1.4706	(1)	+26.8
September.....		1.6322	226.8	+12.5	1.5344	(1)	+ 4.3
October.....		1.7976	249.8	+10.1	1.6809	(1)	+ 9.5
November.....		1.8667	259.4	+ 3.8	1.8116	(1)	+ 7.8
December.....		1.7470	242.8	- 6.4	1.7275	(1)	- 4.6

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.								
	Hay: timothy, No. 1.			Hides.					
				Calfskins: No. 1.		Green, salted, packers': heavy native steers.			
	Average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$10.4304</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	<b>\$.0937</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	9.9952	95.8	.....	.....	.....	.0933	99.6	.....	
1891.....	12.2861	117.8	+22.9	.....	.....	.0951	101.5	+1.9	
1892.....	11.8375	113.5	-3.7	.....	.....	.0870	92.8	-8.5	
1893.....	11.2067	107.4	-5.3	.....	.....	.0749	79.9	-13.9	
1894.....	10.4183	99.9	-7.0	.....	.....	.0641	68.4	-14.4	
1895.....	11.3844	109.1	+9.3	.....	.....	.1028	109.7	+60.4	
1896.....	10.3269	99.0	-9.3	.....	.....	.0811	86.6	-21.1	
1897.....	8.4423	80.9	-18.2	.....	.....	.0996	106.3	+22.8	
1898.....	8.3317	79.9	-1.3	.....	.....	.1151	122.8	+15.6	
1899.....	10.0745	96.6	+20.9	.....	.....	.1235	131.8	+7.3	
1900.....	11.5673	110.9	+14.8	.....	.....	.1194	127.4	-3.3	
1901.....	12.8255	123.0	+10.9	.....	.....	.1237	132.0	+3.6	
1902.....	12.6154	120.9	-1.6	.....	.....	.1338	142.8	+8.2	
1903.....	12.4279	119.2	-1.5	.....	.....	.1169	124.8	-12.6	
1904.....	11.7308	112.5	-5.6	.....	.....	.1166	124.4	- .3	
1905.....	11.2596	107.9	-4.0	.....	.....	.1430	152.6	+22.6	
1906.....	12.9615	124.3	+15.1	.....	.....	.1543	164.7	+7.9	
1907.....	16.9387	162.4	+30.7	.....	.....	.1455	155.3	-5.7	
1908.....	12.3365	118.3	-27.2	.....	.....	.1336	142.6	-8.2	
1909.....	13.4567	128.0	+9.1	.....	.....	.1647	175.8	+23.3	
1910.....	17.2692	165.6	+28.3	.....	.....	.1546	165.0	-6.1	
1911.....	19.6635	188.5	+13.9	.....	.....	.1477	157.6	-4.5	
1912.....	20.4104	195.7	+3.8	.....	.....	.1760	187.8	+19.2	
1913.....	16.0288	153.7	-21.5	\$.1886	(1)	.1839	196.3	+4.5	
1914.....	15.6863	150.4	-1.8	.2099	(1)	+11.3	.1963	209.5	+6.7
1915.....	16.4755	158.0	+5.0	.2153	(1)	+2.6	.2420	258.3	+23.3
1916.....	16.6250	159.4	+ .9	.3375	(1)	+56.8	.2618	279.4	+8.2
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	16.3500	156.8	+7.2	.2550	(1)	+2.0	.2300	245.5	-10.7
February.....	16.5000	158.2	+ .9	.2475	(1)	-2.9	.2375	253.5	+3.3
March.....	16.6250	159.4	+ .8	.2750	(1)	+11.1	.2275	242.8	-4.2
April.....	18.7500	179.8	+12.8	.2800	(1)	+1.8	.2225	237.5	-2.2
May.....	19.5000	187.0	+4.0	.3250	(1)	+16.1	.2475	264.1	+11.2
June.....	18.5000	177.4	-5.1	.3250	(1)	(2)	.2675	285.5	+8.1
July.....	16.0000	153.4	-13.5	.3400	(1)	+4.6	.2700	288.2	+ .9
August.....	14.6250	140.2	-8.6	.3250	(1)	-4.4	.2625	280.1	-2.8
September.....	14.5833	139.8	-.3	.3300	(1)	+1.5	.2600	277.5	-1.0
October.....	15.2500	146.2	+4.6	.3600	(1)	+9.1	.2663	284.2	+2.4
November.....	15.6875	150.4	+2.9	.4500	(1)	+25.0	.3150	336.2	+18.3
December.....	16.3125	156.4	+4.0	.5375	(1)	+19.4	.3350	357.5	+6.3

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.								
	Hides: green, salted, packers' heavy Texas steers.			Hops.					
				New York State: prime to choice.			Pacific Coast.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$0.1771</b>	<b>100.0</b>				
1890				.2621	148.0				
1891				.2640	149.1	+ 0.7			
1892				.2505	141.4	- 5.1			
1893				.2271	128.2	- 9.3			
1894				.1515	85.5	- 33.3			
1895				.0940	53.1	- 38.0			
1896				.0877	49.5	- 6.7			
1897				.1160	65.5	+ 32.3			
1898				.1621	91.5	+ 39.7			
1899				.1563	88.3	- 3.6			
1900				.1483	83.7	- 5.1			
1901				.1719	97.1	+ 15.9			
1902				.2375	134.1	+ 38.2			
1903				.2825	159.5	+ 18.9			
1904				.3475	196.2	+ 23.0			
1905				.2673	150.9	- 23.1			
1906				.1629	92.0	- 39.1			
1907				.1738	98.1	+ 6.7			
1908				.1188	67.1	- 31.6			
1909				.2008	113.4	+ 69.0			
1910				.2588	146.1	+ 28.9			
1911				.3650	206.1	+ 41.0			
1912				.4100	231.5	+ 12.3			
1913	\$0.1809	(1)		.2653	150.4	- 35.0	\$0.1719	(1)	
1914	.1915	(1)	+ 5.9	.3963	223.8	+ 48.8	.1526	(1)	-11.2
1915	.2151	(1)	+12.3	.1825	103.0	- 53.9	.1136	(1)	-25.6
1916	.2387	(1)	+11.0	.2842	160.5	+ 55.7	.1033	(1)	- 9.1
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.1900	(1)	- 9.5	.2600	146.8	- 7.1	.1000	(1)	- 2.4
February	.2025	(1)	+ 6.6	.2500	141.2	- 3.8	.1100	(1)	+10.0
March	.2025	(1)	(2)	.2300	129.9	- 8.0	.1150	(1)	+ 4.5
April	.2100	(1)	+ 3.7	.2300	129.9	(2)	.1150	(1)	(2)
May	.2300	(1)	+ 9.5	.2300	129.9	(2)	.1100	(1)	- 4.3
June	.2438	(1)	+ 6.0	.1850	104.5	- 19.6	.1100	(1)	(2)
July	.2500	(1)	+ 2.5	.1850	104.5	(2)	.0950	(1)	-13.6
August	.2450	(1)	- 2.0	.1750	98.8	- 5.4	.0950	(1)	(2)
September	.2375	(1)	- 3.1	.1450	81.9	- 17.1	.0900	(1)	- 5.3
October	.2475	(1)	+ 4.2	.5150	290.8	+255.2	.1100	(1)	+22.2
November	.2825	(1)	+14.1	.5150	290.8	(2)	.1100	(1)	(2)
December	.3225	(1)	+14.2	.4900	276.7	- 4.9	.0800	(1)	-27.3

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.					
	Live stock (for food).					
	Cattle: steers, choice to prime.			Cattle: steers, good to choice.		
	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$5.3203</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$4.7347</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	4.8697	91.5		4.1375	87.4	
1891.....	5.8851	110.6	+20.9	5.0976	107.7	+23.2
1892.....	5.0909	95.7	-13.5	4.4995	95.0	-11.7
1893.....	5.5211	103.8	+8.5	4.8394	102.2	+7.6
1894.....	5.1591	97.0	-6.6	4.5245	95.6	-6.5
1895.....	5.4849	103.1	+6.3	4.9344	104.2	+9.1
1896.....	4.5957	86.4	-16.2	4.2712	90.2	-13.4
1897.....	5.2255	98.2	+13.7	4.7736	100.8	+11.8
1898.....	5.3779	101.1	+2.9	4.8846	103.2	+2.3
1899.....	5.9928	112.6	+11.4	5.3851	113.7	+10.2
1900.....	5.7827	108.7	-3.5	5.3933	113.9	+ .2
1901.....	6.1217	115.1	+5.9	5.5901	118.1	+3.6
1902.....	7.4721	140.4	+22.1	6.5572	138.5	+17.3
1903.....	5.5678	104.7	-25.5	5.0615	106.9	-22.8
1904.....	5.9562	112.0	+7.0	5.1923	109.7	+2.6
1905.....	5.9678	112.2	+ .2	5.2192	110.2	+ .5
1906.....	6.1298	115.2	+2.7	5.3572	113.1	+2.6
1907.....	6.5442	123.0	+6.8	5.8120	122.8	+8.5
1908.....	6.8163	128.1	+4.2	5.9976	126.7	+3.2
1909.....	7.3394	138.0	+7.7	6.4529	136.3	+7.6
1910.....	7.7712	146.1	+5.9	7.0173	148.2	+8.7
1911.....	7.2341	136.0	-6.9	6.7272	142.1	-4.1
1912.....	9.3585	175.9	+29.4	8.4024	177.5	+24.9
1913.....	8.9288	167.8	-4.6	8.5072	179.7	+1.2
1914.....	9.6520	181.4	+8.1	9.0387	190.8	+6.2
1915.....	9.3117	175.0	-3.5	8.7015	183.8	-3.7
1916.....	10.4201	195.9	+11.9	9.5730	202.2	+10.0
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	9.4800	178.2	-2.1	8.6650	183.0	+2.1
February.....	9.2813	174.5	-2.1	8.4688	178.9	-2.3
March.....	9.6813	182.0	+4.3	8.9688	189.4	+5.9
April.....	9.7375	183.0	+ .6	9.1188	192.6	+1.7
May.....	10.0900	189.7	+3.6	9.4600	199.8	+3.7
June.....	11.0063	206.9	+9.1	10.2625	216.8	+8.5
July.....	10.7000	201.1	-2.8	9.9850	210.9	-2.7
August.....	10.5750	198.8	-1.2	9.8500	208.0	-1.4
September.....	10.8750	204.4	+2.8	9.8000	207.0	+ .5
October.....	10.9650	206.1	+ .8	9.9050	209.2	+1.1
November.....	11.5125	216.4	+5.0	10.3500	218.6	+4.5
December.....	11.5250	216.6	+ .1	10.2917	217.4	- .6

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.					
	Live stock (for food).					
	Hogs: heavy.			Hogs: light.		
	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$4. 4123</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$4. 4206</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	3. 9534	89. 6	.....	3. 9260	88. 8	.....
1891.....	4. 4229	100. 2	+11. 9	4. 3404	98. 2	+10. 6
1892.....	5. 1550	116. 8	+16. 6	5. 0675	114. 6	+16. 8
1893.....	6. 5486	148. 4	+27. 0	6. 5752	148. 7	+29. 8
1894.....	4. 9719	112. 7	-24. 1	4. 9327	111. 6	-25. 0
1895.....	4. 2781	97. 0	-14. 0	4. 2533	96. 2	-13. 8
1896.....	3. 3579	76. 1	-21. 5	3. 5591	80. 5	-16. 3
1897.....	3. 5906	81. 4	+ 6. 9	3. 7223	84. 2	+ 4. 6
1898.....	3. 8053	86. 2	+ 6. 0	3. 7587	85. 0	+ 1. 0
1899.....	4. 0394	91. 5	+ 6. 2	4. 0709	92. 1	+ 8. 3
1900.....	5. 0815	115. 2	+25. 8	5. 1135	115. 7	+25. 6
1901.....	5. 9580	135. 0	+17. 2	5. 9177	133. 9	+15. 7
1902.....	6. 9704	158. 0	+17. 0	6. 7353	152. 4	+13. 1
1903.....	6. 0572	137. 3	-13. 1	6. 0541	137. 0	-10. 0
1904.....	5. 1550	116. 8	-14. 9	5. 1481	116. 5	-15. 3
1905.....	5. 2913	119. 9	+ 2. 6	5. 3213	120. 4	+ 3. 4
1906.....	6. 2351	141. 3	+17. 8	6. 3274	143. 1	+18. 9
1907.....	6. 0795	137. 8	- 2. 5	6. 2163	140. 6	- 1. 8
1908.....	5. 7986	131. 4	- 4. 6	5. 6346	127. 5	- 9. 4
1909.....	7. 5721	171. 6	+30. 6	7. 3611	166. 5	+30. 6
1910.....	8. 9428	202. 7	+18. 1	9. 0091	203. 8	+22. 4
1911.....	6. 7474	152. 9	-24. 5	6. 7260	152. 2	-25. 3
1912.....	7. 5854	172. 1	+12. 6	7. 5517	170. 8	+12. 3
1913.....	8. 3654	189. 6	+10. 1	8. 4541	191. 2	+11. 9
1914.....	8. 3608	189. 4	- . 1	8. 3816	189. 5	- . 9
1915.....	7. 1313	161. 6	-14. 7	7. 1870	162. 6	-14. 3
1916.....	9. 6151	217. 9	+34. 8	9. 4000	212. 6	+30. 8
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	7. 3650	166. 9	+10. 5	7. 1400	161. 5	+14. 4
February.....	8. 3750	189. 8	+13. 7	8. 1375	184. 1	+14. 0
March.....	9. 6944	219. 5	+15. 6	9. 4688	214. 2	+16. 4
April.....	9. 7438	220. 8	+ . 6	9. 5438	215. 9	+ . 8
May.....	9. 9250	224. 9	+ 1. 9	9. 7050	219. 5	+ 1. 7
June.....	9. 6313	218. 3	- 3. 0	9. 3313	212. 2	- 3. 3
July.....	9. 8250	222. 7	+ 2. 0	9. 7650	220. 9	+ 4. 1
August.....	10. 3438	234. 4	+ 5. 3	10. 4063	235. 4	+ 6. 6
September.....	10. 7438	243. 5	+ 3. 9	10. 7750	243. 7	+ 3. 5
October.....	9. 8700	222. 7	- 8. 1	9. 6550	218. 4	-10. 4
November.....	9. 9938	228. 5	+ 1. 3	9. 4063	212. 8	- 2. 6
December.....	10. 2500	232. 3	+ 2. 6	9. 7500	220. 6	+ 3. 7

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.						
	Live stock (for food).						
	Sheep: lambs, average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Sheep: native wethers, average price per 100 pounds.	Sheep: wethers, average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$3. 7580</b>		<b>100. 0</b>	
1890				4. 5284		120. 5	
1891				4. 5106		120. 0	- 0. 4
1892				4. 7798		127. 2	+ 6. 0
1893				3. 8781		103. 2	-18. 9
1894				2. 6957		71. 7	-30. 5
1895				2. 9495		78. 5	+ 9. 4
1896				2. 9322		78. 0	- . 6
1897				3. 4971		93. 1	+19. 3
1898				3. 9250		104. 4	+12. 2
1899				3. 8837		103. 3	- 1. 1
1900				4. 1236		109. 7	+ 6. 2
1901				3. 3519		89. 2	-18. 7
1902				3. 7817		100. 6	+12. 8
1903				3. 7101		98. 7	- 1. 9
1904				4. 1457		110. 3	+11. 7
1905				5. 0529		134. 5	+21. 9
1906				4. 9481		131. 7	- 2. 1
1907				4. 8962	\$5. 7461	130. 3	- 1. 0
1908					4. 9505	112. 3	-13. 8
1909					5. 4303	123. 2	+ 9. 7
1910					5. 5438	125. 8	+ 2. 1
1911					4. 2799	97. 1	-22. 8
1912					4. 9283	111. 8	+15. 1
1913	\$7. 7942	( <sup>1</sup> )			5. 3471	121. 3	+ 8. 5
1914	8. 1152	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 4. 1		5. 8301	132. 2	+ 9. 0
1915	9. 2332	( <sup>1</sup> )	+13. 8		6. 6899	151. 6	+14. 7
1916	11. 0168	( <sup>1</sup> )	+19. 3		7. 9942	181. 3	+19. 5
<b>1916.</b>							
January	10. 3500	( <sup>1</sup> )	+11. 4		7. 3200	166. 0	+14. 9
February	11. 0688	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 6. 9		7. 8563	178. 2	+ 7. 3
March	11. 3375	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 2. 4		8. 4375	191. 3	+ 7. 4
April	11. 3000	( <sup>1</sup> )	- . 3		8. 7500	198. 4	+ 3. 7
May	11. 2200	( <sup>1</sup> )	- . 7		8. 7850	199. 2	+ . 4
June	9. 8063	( <sup>1</sup> )	-12. 6		7. 1563	162. 3	-18. 5
July	10. 7100	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 9. 2		7. 6600	173. 7	+ 7. 0
August	10. 9188	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 1. 9		7. 3813	167. 4	- 3. 6
September	10. 8250	( <sup>1</sup> )	- . 9		7. 8583	173. 6	+ 3. 7
October	10. 4550	( <sup>1</sup> )	- 3. 4		7. 7500	175. 7	+ 1. 2
November	11. 5813	( <sup>1</sup> )	+10. 8		8. 2313	188. 7	+ 6. 2
December	12. 9625	( <sup>1</sup> )	+11. 9		9. 0625	205. 5	+10. 1

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.								
	Live stock (for food).				Peanuts: No. 1 grade.				
	Sheep: western wethers, average price per 100 pounds.	Sheep: western wethers, plain to prime, average price per 100 pounds.	Sheep: ewes, average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$3.9541</b>			<b>100.0</b>					
1890.....	4.6644			118.0					
1891.....	4.5719			115.6	- 2.0				
1892.....	4.8695			123.2	+ 6.5				
1893.....	4.1255			104.3	-15.3				
1894.....	2.9808			75.4	-27.7				
1895.....	3.0943			78.3	+ 3.8				
1896.....	3.1411			79.4	+ 1.5				
1897.....	3.7692			95.3	+20.0				
1898.....	4.1625			105.3	+10.4				
1899.....	4.1615			105.2	- (1)				
1900.....	4.5207			114.3	+ 8.6				
1901.....	3.7442			94.7	-17.2				
1902.....	4.1784			105.7	+11.6				
1903.....	3.8769			98.0	- 7.2				
1904.....	4.2608			107.8	+ 9.9				
1905.....	5.0798			128.5	+19.2				
1906.....	5.2793			133.5	+ 3.9				
1907.....	4.8835	\$5.4206		123.5	- 7.5				
1908.....		4.8115		109.6	-11.2				
1909.....		5.2707		120.1	+ 9.5				
1910.....		5.3947		122.9	+ 2.4				
1911.....		3.9412		89.8	-26.9				
1912.....		4.9009		111.7	+24.4				
1913.....		5.3005	\$4.6870	120.8	+ 8.2	\$0.0355	(2)		
1914.....			5.0436	130.0	+ 7.6	.0402	(2)	+13.2	
1915.....			5.9288	152.9	+17.6	.0346	(2)	-13.9	
1916.....			7.1663	184.7	+20.9	.0360	(2)	+ 4.0	
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....			6.6150	170.5	+14.8	.0388	(2)	+14.8	
February.....			7.1250	183.6	+ 7.7	.0388	(2)	(3)	
March.....			7.7188	198.9	+ 8.3	.0375	(2)	- 3.4	
April.....			8.1563	210.2	+ 5.7	.0375	(2)	(3)	
May.....			8.4600	218.0	+ 3.7	.0356	(2)	- 5.1	
June.....			6.7063	172.8	-20.7	.0350	(2)	- 1.7	
July.....			6.5450	168.7	- 2.4	.0350	(2)	(3)	
August.....			6.5438	168.7	(3)	.0325	(2)	- 7.1	
September.....			6.7625	174.3	+ 3.3	.0325	(2)	(3)	
October.....			6.5500	168.8	- 3.1	.0325	(2)	(3)	
November.....			6.8938	177.7	+ 5.2	.0375	(2)	+15.4	
December.....			8.0438	207.3	+16.7	.0383	(2)	+ 2.1	

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>3</sup> Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Farm products.								
	Poultry.						Tobacco: Burley, dark red, good leaf.		
	Live fowls: Chicago.			Live fowls: New York.					
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>									
1890									
1891									
1892									
1893									
1894									
1895									
1896									
1897									
1898									
1899									
1900									
1901									
1902									
1903									
1904									
1905									
1906									
1907									
1908				\$0.1327	(1)		\$15.0625	(1)	
1909				.1597	(1)	+20.3	17.5980	(1)	+16.8
1910				.1691	(1)	+5.9	15.5368	(1)	-11.7
1911				.1445	(1)	-14.5	11.3462	(1)	-27.0
1912				.1485	(1)	+2.8	11.4279	(1)	+7
1913	\$0.1541	(1)		.1674	(1)	+12.7	13.2019	(1)	+15.5
1914	.1451	(1)	-5.8	.1650	(1)	-1.4	14.6538	(1)	+11.0
1915	.1365	(1)	-5.9	.1613	(1)	-2.2	13.7885	(1)	-5.9
1916	.1636	(1)	+19.9	.1885	(1)	+16.9	15.2308	(1)	+10.5
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.1513	(1)	+24.0	.1788	(1)	+22.0	14.5000	(1)	(3)
February	.1531	(1)	+1.2	.1725	(1)	-3.5	14.5000	(1)	(3)
March	.1680	(1)	+9.7	.1795	(1)	+4.1	14.5000	(1)	(3)
April	.1825	(1)	+8.6	.2025	(1)	+12.8	14.7500	(1)	+1.7
May	.1844	(1)	+1.0	.1950	(1)	-3.7	15.5000	(1)	+5.1
June	.1725	(1)	-6.5	.2110	(1)	+3.2	15.5000	(1)	(3)
July	.1713	(1)	-7	.1900	(1)	-10.0	15.5000	(1)	(3)
August	.1656	(1)	-3.3	.1850	(1)	-2.6	15.5000	(1)	(3)
September	.1685	(1)	+1.8	.1965	(1)	+6.2	15.5000	(1)	(3)
October	.1563	(1)	-7.2	.1863	(1)	-5.2	15.5000	(1)	(3)
November	.1338	(1)	-14.4	.1675	(1)	-10.1	15.5000	(1)	(3)
December	.1540	(1)	+15.1	.1870	(1)	+11.6	16.0000	(1)	+3.2

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Beans: medium, choice.				Bread: crackers.				
	Average price per bushel.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Butter, average price per pound.	Oyster, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$1.6699</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.0673</b>		<b>100.0</b>		
1890.....	2.0292		121.5		.0700		104.0		
1891.....	2.2531		134.9	+11.0	.0700		104.0	(1)	
1892.....	1.8698		112.0	-17.0	.0688		102.2	- 1.7	
1893.....	1.9906		119.2	+ 6.5	.0650		96.6	- 5.5	
1894.....	1.8469		110.6	- 7.2	.0650		96.6	(1)	
1895.....	1.7896		107.2	- 3.1	.0654		97.2	+ .6	
1896.....	1.1740		70.3	-34.4	.0650		96.6	- .6	
1897.....	1.0448		62.6	-11.0	.0592		88.0	- 8.9	
1898.....	1.2479		74.7	+19.4	.0733		108.9	+23.8	
1899.....	1.4531		87.0	+16.4	.0713		105.9	- 2.7	
1900.....	2.0969		125.6	+44.3	.0750		111.4	+ 5.2	
1901.....	2.1927		131.3	+ 4.6	.0800		118.9	+ 6.7	
1902.....	1.9198		115.0	-12.4	.0800		118.9	(1)	
1903.....	2.2625		135.5	+17.9	.0758		112.6	- 5.3	
1904.....	2.0104		120.4	-11.1	.0775		115.2	+ 2.2	
1905.....	2.1500		128.8	+ 6.9	.0892		132.5	+15.1	
1906.....	1.9000		113.8	-11.6	.0900		133.7	+ .9	
1907.....	1.7771		106.4	- 6.5	.0900	\$0.0650	133.7	(1)	
1908.....	2.3198		138.9	+30.5		.0650	133.7	(1)	
1909.....	2.4500		146.7	+ 5.6		.0654	134.5	+ .6	
1910.....	2.3990		143.7	- 2.1		.0700	144.0	+ 7.0	
1911.....	2.2885	\$3.8142	137.0	- 4.6		.0700	144.0	(1)	
1912.....		4.6614	167.4	+22.2		.0650	133.7	- 7.1	
1913.....		3.9896	143.3	-14.4		.0650	133.7	(1)	
1914.....		4.0333	144.9	+ 1.1		.0650	133.7	(1)	
1915.....		5.8125	208.8	+44.1		.0713	146.7	+ 9.7	
1916.....		8.4500	303.5	+45.4		.0725	149.1	+ 1.7	
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....		6.8250	245.1	- .4		.0700	144.0	(1)	
February.....		6.6750	239.8	- 2.2		.0700	144.0	(1)	
March.....		6.6000	237.1	- 1.1		.0700	144.0	(1)	
April.....		6.6500	238.9	+ .8		.0700	144.0	(1)	
May.....		6.8750	246.9	+ 3.4		.0700	144.0	(1)	
June.....		7.0250	252.3	+ 2.2		.0700	144.0	(1)	
July.....		9.7500	350.2	+38.8		.0700	144.0	(1)	
August.....		9.5500	343.0	- 2.1		.0700	144.0	(1)	
September.....		9.0000	323.3	- 5.8		.0700	144.0	(1)	
October.....		8.7500	314.3	- 2.8		.0800	164.6	+14.3	
November.....		11.7500	422.0	+34.3		.0800	164.6	(1)	
December.....		11.9500	429.2	+ 1.7		.0800	164.6	(1)	

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Bread.								
	Crackers: soda.			Loaf: before baking, Chicago.			Loaf: before baking, New Orleans.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$. 0718</b>	<b>100.0</b>							
1890.....	.0800	111.4							
1891.....	.0800	111.4	(1)						
1892.....	.0763	106.3	- 4.6						
1893.....	.0750	104.5	- 1.7						
1894.....	.0725	101.0	- 3.3						
1895.....	.0675	94.0	- 6.9						
1896.....	.0658	91.6	- 2.5						
1897.....	.0592	82.5	-10.0						
1898.....	.0758	105.6	+28.0						
1899.....	.0663	92.3	-12.5						
1900.....	.0675	94.0	+ 1.8						
1901.....	.0700	97.5	+ 3.7						
1902.....	.0700	97.5	(1)						
1903.....	.0646	90.0	- 7.7						
1904.....	.0658	91.6	+ 1.9						
1905.....	.0683	95.1	- 3.8						
1906.....	.0650	90.5	- 4.8						
1907.....	.0650	90.5	(1)						
1908.....	.0650	90.5	(1)						
1909.....	.0654	91.1	+ .6						
1910.....	.0700	97.5	+ 7.0						
1911.....	.0650	90.5	- 7.1						
1912.....	.0650	90.5	(1)						
1913.....	.0650	90.5	(1)						
1914.....	.0650	90.5	(1)	\$.0427	(2)		\$.0316	(2)	
1915.....	.0713	99.3	+ 9.7	.0439	(2)	+ 2.8	.0394	(2)	+24.7
1916.....	.0725	101.0	+ 1.7	.0469	(2)	+ 6.8	.0398	(2)	+ 1.0
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0376	(2)	(1)
February.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0376	(2)	(1)
March.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0376	(2)	(1)
April.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0376	(2)	(1)
May.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0376	(2)	(1)
June.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0376	(2)	(1)
July.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0356	(2)	- 5.3
August.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0400	(2)	+12.4
September.....	.0700	97.5	(1)	.0441	(2)	(1)	.0427	(2)	+ 6.8
October.....	.0800	111.4	+14.3	.0500	(2)	+13.4	.0441	(2)	+ 3.3
November.....	.0800	111.4	(1)	.0582	(2)	+16.4	.0449	(2)	+ 1.8
December.....	.0800	111.4	(1)	.0582	(2)	(1)	.0449	(2)	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.									
	Bread.									
	Loaf: before baking, New York.			Loaf: before baking, San Francisco.			Loaf: before baking.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) com- pared with prece- ding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) com- pared with prece- ding year or month.	Wash- ington, D. C., average price per pound.	Cinci- nati, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) com- pared with prece- ding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0317</b>	<b>100.0</b>					<b>\$.0354</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.0320	100.9				.0356		100.6		
1891.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1892.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1893.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1894.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1895.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0333		94.1	- 6.5	
1896.....	.0287	90.5	-10.3			.0362		102.5	+ 9.0	
1897.....	.0320	100.9	+11.5			.0356		100.6	- 1.9	
1898.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1899.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1900.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1901.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1902.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1903.....	.0320	100.9	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1904.....	.0350	110.4	+ 9.4			.0363		102.5	+ 2.0	
1905.....	.0376	118.6	+ 7.4			.0356		100.6	- 1.9	
1906.....	.0376	118.6	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1907.....	.0376	118.6	(1)			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1908.....	.0400	126.2	+ 6.4			.0356		100.6	(1)	
1909.....	.0400	126.2	(1)			.0377		106.5	+ 5.9	
1910.....	.0400	126.2	(1)			.0388		109.6	+ 2.9	
1911.....	.0400	126.2	(1)			.0388		109.6	(1)	
1912.....	.0424	133.8	+ 6.0			.0388		109.6	(1)	
1913.....	.0424	133.8	(1)			.0400		113.0	+ 3.1	
1914.....	.0441	139.2	+ 4.0	\$.0400	(2)	.0400	\$.0356	113.0	(1)	
1915.....	.0475	149.8	+ 7.7	.0405	(3)	+ 1.3		.0400	127.0	+12.4
1916.....	.0477	150.5	+ .4	.0421	(2)	+ 4.0		.0449	142.5	+12.3
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.0449	141.6	- 5.3	.0400	(3)	(1)		.0427	135.5	+ 6.8
February.....	.0449	141.6	(1)	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
March.....	.0449	141.6	(1)	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
April.....	.0449	141.6	(1)	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
May.....	.0449	141.6	(1)	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
June.....	.0457	144.2	+ 1.8	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
July.....	.0457	144.2	(1)	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
August.....	.0449	141.6	- 1.8	.0400	(2)	(1)		.0427	135.5	(1)
September.....	.0457	144.2	+ 1.8	.0441	(2)	+10.3		.0492	156.2	+15.2
October.....	.0533	168.1	+16.6	.0441	(2)	(1)		.0492	156.2	(1)
November.....	.0545	171.9	+ 2.3	.0524	(2)	+18.8		.0492	156.2	(1)
December.....	.0582	183.6	+ 6.8	.0441	(2)	-15.8		.0492	156.2	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Butter.								
	Creamery: extra, Boston.			Creamery: firsts, Boston.			Creamery: seconds, Boston.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> .....									
1890.....									
1891.....									
1892.....									
1893.....									
1894.....									
1895.....									
1896.....									
1897.....									
1898.....									
1899.....									
1900.....									
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1903.....									
1904.....									
1905.....									
1906.....									
1907.....									
1908.....									
1909.....									
1910.....									
1911.....									
1912.....									
1913.....	\$0.3172	(1)		\$0.2973	(1)		\$0.2750	(1)	
1914.....	.2936	(1)	- 7.4	.2725	(1)	- 8.3	.2451	(1)	-10.9
1915.....	.2926	(1)	- .3	.2725	(1)	(2)	.2508	(1)	+ 2.3
1916.....	.3342	(1)	+14.2	.3183	(1)	+16.8	.3021	(1)	+20.5
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3200	(1)	+ 1.9	.2813	(1)	+ 1.4	.2513	(1)	+ .1
February.....	.3200	(1)	(3)	.2858	(1)	+ 2.7	.2588	(1)	+ 3.0
March.....	.3450	(1)	+ 7.8	.3280	(1)	+13.6	.3095	(1)	+19.6
April.....	.3588	(1)	+ 4.0	.3506	(1)	+ 6.9	.3419	(1)	+10.5
May.....	.3140	(1)	-12.5	.3055	(1)	-12.9	.2960	(1)	-13.4
June.....	.2975	(1)	- 5.2	.2863	(1)	- 6.3	.2769	(1)	- 6.5
July.....	.2900	(1)	- 2.5	.2756	(1)	- 3.7	.2600	(1)	- 6.1
August.....	.3120	(1)	+ 7.6	.2985	(1)	+ 7.6	.2800	(1)	+ 7.7
September.....	.3363	(1)	+ 7.8	.3213	(1)	+ 8.4	.3044	(1)	+ 8.7
October.....	.3513	(1)	+ 4.5	.3406	(1)	+ 6.0	.3294	(1)	+ 8.2
November.....	.3760	(1)	+ 7.0	.3660	(1)	+ 7.5	.3545	(1)	+ 7.6
December.....	.3875	(1)	+ 3.1	.3731	(1)	+ 1.9	.3550	(1)	+ .1

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Butter.								
	Creamery: extra, Chicago.			Creamery: extra firsts, Chicago.			Creamery: firsts, Chicago.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>									
1890.....									
1891.....									
1892.....									
1893.....									
1894.....									
1895.....									
1896.....									
1897.....									
1898.....									
1899.....									
1900.....									
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1903.....									
1904.....									
1905.....									
1906.....									
1907.....									
1908.....									
1909.....									
1910.....									
1911.....									
1912.....									
1913.....	\$0.3104	(1)		\$0.2969	(1)		\$0.2755	(1)	
1914.....	.2873	(1)	- 7.4	.2731	(1)	- 8.0	.2515	(1)	- 8.7
1915.....	.2836	(1)	- 1.3	.2743	(1)	+ .4	.2543	(1)	+ 1.1
1916.....	.3254	(1)	+14.7	.3179	(1)	+15.9	.3012	(1)	+18.4
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3070	(1)	- 8.4	.2925	(1)	- 8.8	.2645	(1)	- 5.6
February.....	.3200	(1)	+ 4.2	.3100	(1)	+ 6.0	.2806	(1)	+ 6.1
March.....	.3550	(1)	+10.9	.3453	(1)	+11.4	.3225	(1)	+14.9
April.....	.3469	(1)	- 2.3	.3383	(1)	- 2.0	.3300	(1)	- 2.3
May.....	.2960	(1)	-14.7	.2856	(1)	-15.6	.2781	(1)	-15.7
June.....	.2863	(1)	- 3.3	.2817	(1)	- 1.4	.2731	(1)	- 1.8
July.....	.2760	(1)	- 3.6	.2683	(1)	- 4.8	.2593	(1)	- 5.1
August.....	.3000	(1)	+ 8.7	.2906	(1)	+ 8.3	.2756	(1)	+ 6.3
September.....	.3225	(1)	+ 7.5	.3141	(1)	+ 8.1	.2963	(1)	+ 7.5
October.....	.3450	(1)	+ 7.0	.3373	(1)	+ 7.4	.3253	(1)	+10.0
November.....	.3875	(1)	+12.3	.3763	(1)	+11.6	.3638	(1)	+11.7
December.....	.3825	(1)	- 1.3	.3731	(1)	- .9	.3513	(1)	- 3.4

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Butter.								
	Whole milk: extra, Cincinnati.			Creamery: centralized firsts, Cincinnati.			Creamery: centralized seconds, Cincinnati.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>									
1890.....									
1891.....									
1892.....									
1893.....									
1894.....									
1895.....									
1896.....									
1897.....									
1898.....									
1899.....									
1900.....									
1901.....									
1902.....									
1903.....									
1904.....									
1905.....									
1906.....									
1907.....									
1908.....									
1909.....									
1910.....									
1911.....									
1912.....									
1913.....	\$0.3470	(1)		\$0.3018	(1)		\$0.2557	(1)	
1914.....	.3278	(1)	- 5.5	.2689	(1)	-10.9	.2215	(1)	-13.4
1915.....	.3238	(1)	- 1.2	.2648	(1)	- 1.5	.2295	(1)	+ 3.6
1916.....	.3652	(1)	+12.8	.3061	(1)	+15.6	.2756	(1)	+20.1
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3513	(1)	- 6.6	.2913	(1)	- 7.9	.2613	(1)	- 8.7
February.....	.3580	(1)	+ 1.9	.2980	(1)	+ 2.3	.2680	(1)	+ 2.5
March.....	.3950	(1)	+10.3	.3350	(1)	+12.4	.2850	(1)	+ 6.3
April.....	.3875	(1)	- 1.9	.3275	(1)	- 2.2	.2975	(1)	+ 4.4
May.....	.3370	(1)	-13.0	.2770	(1)	-15.4	.2470	(1)	+17.0
June.....	.3163	(1)	- 6.1	.2663	(1)	- 3.9	.2450	(1)	- .8
July.....	.3150	(1)	- .4	.2563	(1)	- 3.8	.2313	(1)	- 5.6
August.....	.3350	(1)	+ 6.3	.2750	(1)	+ 7.3	.2450	(1)	+ 5.9
September.....	.3625	(1)	+ 8.2	.3025	(1)	+10.0	.2725	(1)	+11.2
October.....	.3850	(1)	+ 6.2	.3250	(1)	+ 7.4	.2950	(1)	+ 8.3
November.....	.4263	(1)	+10.7	.3663	(1)	+12.7	.3363	(1)	+14.0
December.....	.4250	(1)	- .3	.3650	(1)	- .4	.3350	(1)	- .4

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Butter.								
	Creamery: Elgin, Elgin, Ill.			Creamery: fancy, New Orleans.			Creamery: choice, New Orleans.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$. 2170</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1890.....	.2238	103.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891.....	.2501	115.3	+11.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1892.....	.2528	116.5	+ 1.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1893.....	.2581	118.9	+ 2.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1894.....	.2194	101.1	-15.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1895.....	.2064	95.1	- 5.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1896.....	.1793	82.6	-13.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1897.....	.1837	84.7	+ 2.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1898.....	.1886	86.9	+ 2.7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1899.....	.2075	95.6	+10.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1900.....	.2178	100.4	+ 5.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1901.....	.2114	97.4	- 2.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1902.....	.2413	111.2	+14.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1903.....	.2302	106.1	- 4.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1904.....	.2178	100.4	- 5.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1905.....	.2429	111.9	+11.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1906.....	.2459	113.3	+ 1.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1907.....	.2761	127.2	+12.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1908.....	.2692	124.1	- 2.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1909.....	.2893	133.3	+ 7.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1910.....	.2977	137.2	+ 2.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1911.....	.2644	121.8	-11.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1912.....	.2968	136.8	+12.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1913.....	.3077	141.8	+ 3.7	\$. 3361	(1)	.....	\$. 3214	(1)	.....
1914.....	.2881	132.7	- 6.4	.3162	(1)	- 5.9	.3019	(1)	- 6.1
1915.....	.2846	131.2	- 1.2	.3132	(1)	- .9	.3010	(1)	- .3
1916.....	.3274	150.9	+15.0	.3559	(1)	+13.6	.3473	(1)	+15.4
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3075	141.7	- 7.7	.3475	(1)	- 5.9	.3400	(1)	- 5.2
February.....	.3225	148.6	+ 4.9	.3440	(1)	- 1.0	.3340	(1)	- 1.8
March.....	.3550	163.6	+10.1	.3838	(1)	+11.6	.3763	(1)	+12.7
April.....	.3420	157.6	- 3.7	.3800	(1)	- 1.0	.3713	(1)	- 1.3
May.....	.2913	134.2	-14.8	.3345	(1)	-12.0	.3260	(1)	-12.2
June.....	.2863	131.9	- 1.7	.3175	(1)	- 5.1	.3100	(1)	- 4.9
July.....	.2760	127.2	- 3.6	.3075	(1)	- 3.1	.3025	(1)	- 2.4
August.....	.2988	137.7	+ 8.3	.3210	(1)	+ 4.4	.3140	(1)	+ 3.8
September.....	.3260	150.2	+ 9.1	.3513	(1)	+ 9.4	.3413	(1)	+ 8.7
October.....	.3463	159.6	+ 6.2	.3730	(1)	+ 6.2	.3630	(1)	+ 6.4
November.....	.3863	178.0	+11.6	.4138	(1)	+10.9	.4025	(1)	+10.9
December.....	.3860	177.9	- .1	.4100	(1)	- .9	.4000	(1)	- .6

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.									
	Butter.									
	Creamery: extra, New York.			Dairy: New York State, average price per pound.	Creamery: firsts, New York, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Creamery: seconds, New York.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.					Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	\$0.2242	100.0		\$0.2024		100.0				
1890	.2276	101.5		.1954		96.5				
1891	.2586	115.3	+13.6	.2380		117.6	+21.8			
1892	.2612	116.5	+1.0	.2350		116.1	-1.3			
1893	.2701	120.5	+3.4	.2521		124.6	+7.3			
1894	.2288	102.1	-15.3	.2091		103.3	-17.1			
1895	.2137	95.3	-6.6	.1882		93.0	-10.0			
1896	.1841	82.1	-13.9	.1665		82.3	-11.5			
1897	.1895	84.5	+2.9	.1684		83.2	+1.1			
1898	.1954	87.2	+3.1	.1749		86.4	+3.9			
1899	.2126	94.8	+8.8	.1965		97.1	+12.3			
1900	.2245	100.1	+5.6	.2115		104.5	+7.6			
1901	.2163	96.5	-3.7	.2007		99.2	-5.1			
1902	.2480	110.6	+14.7	.2318		114.5	+15.5			
1903	.2348	104.7	-5.3	.2150		106.2	-7.2			
1904	.2189	97.6	-6.8	.1970		97.3	-8.4			
1905	.2489	111.0	+13.7	.2339		115.6	+18.7			
1906	.2489	111.0	(1)	.2325		114.9	-.6			
1907	.2830	126.2	+13.7	.2671		132.0	+14.9			
1908	.2711	120.9	-4.2	.2449		121.0	-8.3			
1909	.2920	130.2	+7.7	.2653		133.1	+8.3			
1910	.3007	134.1	+3.0	.2906		143.6	+9.5			
1911	.2665	118.9	-11.4	.2572		127.1	-11.5			
1912	.3137	139.9	+17.7	.3001		148.3	+16.7			
1913	.3225	143.8	+2.8	.3040	\$0.3014	150.2	+1.3	\$0.2778	(2)	
1914	.2993	133.4	-7.2		.2790	139.1	-7.4	.2506	(2)	
1915	.2988	133.3	-.2		.2818	140.5	+1.0	.2573	(2)	
1916	.3409	152.1	+14.1		.3273	163.1	+16.1	.3077	(2)	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.3288	146.7	-7.3		.2994	149.2	-4.4	.2638	(2)	-.9
February	.3365	150.1	+2.3		.3120	155.5	+4.2	.2795	(2)	+6.0
March	.3706	165.3	+10.1		.3600	179.4	+15.4	.3406	(2)	+21.9
April	.3650	162.8	-1.5		.3588	178.8	-.3	.3475	(2)	+2.0
May	.3128	139.5	-14.3		.3045	151.7	-15.1	.2925	(2)	-15.8
June	.2966	132.3	-5.2		.2872	143.1	-5.7	.2725	(2)	-6.8
July	.2888	128.8	-2.6		.2775	138.3	-3.4	.2600	(2)	-4.6
August	.3118	139.1	+8.0		.3000	149.5	+8.1	.2805	(2)	+7.9
September	.3381	150.8	+8.4		.3281	163.5	+9.4	.3113	(2)	+11.0
October	.3555	158.6	+5.1		.3468	172.8	+5.7	.3338	(2)	+7.2
November	.3981	177.6	+12.0		.3831	190.9	+10.5	.3625	(2)	+8.6
December	.4003	178.5	+.6		.3822	190.5	-.2	.3588	(2)	-1.0

1 Price unchanged.

2 No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Butter.								
	Creamery: extra, Philadelphia.			Creamery: extra firsts, Philadelphia.			Creamery: firsts, Philadelphia.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> .....									
1890.....									
1891.....									
1892.....									
1893.....									
1894.....									
1895.....									
1896.....									
1897.....									
1898.....									
1899.....									
1900.....									
1901.....									
1902.....									
1903.....									
1904.....									
1905.....									
1906.....									
1907.....									
1908.....									
1909.....									
1910.....									
1911.....									
1912.....									
1913.....	\$.3259	(1)		\$.3134	(1)		\$.2996	(1)	
1914.....	.3033	(1)	- 6.9	.2912	(1)	- 7.1	.2759	(1)	- 7.9
1915.....	.3017	(1)	- .5	.2889	(1)	- .8	.2750	(1)	- .3
1916.....	.3460	(1)	+14.7	.3334	(1)	+15.4	.3212	(1)	+16.8
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3363	(1)	- 5.8	.2988	(1)	- 6.3	.2763	(1)	- 6.3
February.....	.3463	(1)	+ 3.0	.3288	(1)	+10.0	.3050	(1)	+10.4
March.....	.3780	(1)	+ 9.2	.3650	(1)	+11.0	.3490	(1)	+14.4
April.....	.3625	(1)	- 4.1	.3575	(1)	- 2.1	.3525	(1)	+ 1.0
May.....	.3138	(1)	-13.4	.3075	(1)	-14.0	.3025	(1)	-14.2
June.....	.3020	(1)	- 3.8	.2910	(1)	- 5.4	.2810	(1)	- 7.1
July.....	.2913	(1)	- 3.5	.2813	(1)	- 3.3	.2713	(1)	- 3.5
August.....	.3150	(1)	+ 8.1	.3050	(1)	+ 8.4	.2963	(1)	+ 9.2
September.....	.3430	(1)	+ 8.9	.3320	(1)	+ 8.9	.3220	(1)	+ 8.7
October.....	.3588	(1)	+ 4.6	.3481	(1)	+ 4.8	.3419	(1)	+ 6.2
November.....	.3975	(1)	+10.8	.3875	(1)	+11.3	.3738	(1)	+ 9.3
December.....	.3980	(1)	+ .1	.3880	(1)	+ .1	.3730	(1)	- .2

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.					
	Butter.					
	Creamery: extra, San Francisco.			Creamery: firsts, San Francisco.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>						
1890						
1891						
1892						
1893						
1894						
1895						
1896						
1897						
1898						
1899						
1900						
1901						
1902						
1903						
1904						
1905						
1906						
1907						
1908						
1909						
1910						
1911						
1912						
1913	\$0.3171	(1)		\$0.2963	(1)	
1914	.2712	(1)	-14.5	.2470	(1)	-16.6
1915	.2624	(1)	-3.2	.2385	(1)	-3.4
1916	.2900	(1)	+10.5	.2749	(1)	+15.3
<b>1916.</b>						
January	.2775	(1)	+ .9	.2513	(1)	+ 3.4
February	.3125	(1)	+12.6	.2850	(1)	+13.4
March	.2770	(1)	-11.4	.2670	(1)	- 6.3
April	.2650	(1)	- 4.3	.2563	(1)	- 4.0
May	.2488	(1)	- 6.1	.2388	(1)	- 6.8
June	.2490	(1)	+ .1	.2410	(1)	+ .9
July	.2600	(1)	+ 4.4	.2475	(1)	+ 2.7
August	.2730	(1)	+ 5.0	.2590	(1)	+ 4.6
September	.3063	(1)	+12.2	.2825	(1)	+ 9.1
October	.3300	(1)	+ 7.7	.3113	(1)	+10.2
November	.3410	(1)	+ 3.3	.3290	(1)	+ 5.7
December	.3450	(1)	+ 1.2	.3313	(1)	+ .7

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.										
	Canned goods.										
	Corn.			Peas.			Tomatoes: standard New Jersey, No. 3.				
	Republic, No. 2, fancy, average price per dozen cans.	New York standard, average price per dozen cans.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Republic, No. 2, sifted, average price per dozen cans.	Western, No. 5, sieve, average price per dozen cans.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen cans.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>											
1890.....											
1891.....											
1892.....											
1893.....											
1894.....											
1895.....											
1896.....											
1897.....											
1898.....											
1899.....											
1900.....											
1901.....											
1902.....											
1903.....											
1904.....											
1905.....											
1906.....											
1907.....											
1908.....	\$0.9000		(1)		\$1.3833	(1)		\$1.0791	(1)		
1909.....	.9083		(1)	+ 0.9	1.4000	(1)	+ 1.2	.9625	(1)	-10.8	
1910.....	.9833		(1)	+ 8.3	1.3833	(1)	- 1.2	.9208	(1)	- 4.3	
1911.....	1.0750		(1)	+ 9.3	1.5000	(1)	+ 8.4	1.1150	(1)	+21.1	
1912.....	.9500		(1)	-11.6	1.6250	(1)	+ 8.3	1.4167	(1)	+27.1	
1913.....	.9542		(1)	+ .4	1.5958	(1)	- 1.8	1.3000	(1)	- 8.2	
1914.....	1.0609	\$0.7250	(1)	+14.3	1.5000	(1)	- .6	1.0083	(1)	-22.4	
1915.....		.7813	(1)	+ 7.8		(1)	-10.4	.9875	(1)	- 2.1	
1916.....		.8500	(1)	+ 8.8		(1)	+ 6.7	1.2458	(1)	+26.2	
<b>1916.</b>											
January.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
February.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
March.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
April.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
May.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
June.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
July.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
August.....		.7500	(1)	(2)		(1)	(2)	1.1500	(1)	(2)	
September.....		.8000	(1)	+ 6.7		(1)	+ 5.3	1.2500	(1)	+ 8.7	
October.....		.9000	(1)	+12.5		(1)	+16.7	1.5000	(1)	+20.0	
November.....		1.2500	(1)	+38.9		(1)	+14.3	1.5000	(1)	(2)	
December.....		1.2500	(1)	(2)		(1)	+ 2.5	1.5000	(1)	(2)	

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Cheese.								
	Whole milk: American twins, Chicago.			Whole milk: colored, average, fancy, New York.			California flats: fancy, San Francisco.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$. 0987</b>	<b>100. 0</b>				
1890				.0958	97. 1				
1891				.1011	102. 4	+ 5. 5			
1892				.1058	107. 2	+ 4. 6			
1893				.1076	109. 0	+ 1. 7			
1894				.1060	107. 4	- 1. 5			
1895				.0929	94. 1	-12. 4			
1896				.0908	92. 0	- 2. 3			
1897				.0968	98. 1	+ 6. 6			
1898				.0822	83. 3	-15. 1			
1899				.1075	108. 9	+30. 8			
1900				.1128	114. 3	+ 4. 9			
1901				.1011	102. 4	-10. 4			
1902				.1128	114. 1	+11. 4			
1903				.1217	123. 3	+ 8. 1			
1904				.1019	103. 2	-16. 3			
1905				.1212	122. 8	+18. 9			
1906				.1313	133. 0	+ 8. 3			
1907				.1414	143. 3	+ 7. 7			
1908				.1364	138. 2	- 3. 5			
1909				.1485	150. 5	+ 8. 9			
1910				.1572	159. 3	+ 5. 9			
1911				.1401	141. 9	-10. 9			
1912				.1645	166. 7	+17. 4			
1913	\$. 1418	(1)		.1541	156. 1	- 6. 3	\$. 1594	(1)	
1914	.1438	(1)	+ 1. 4	.1518	153. 8	- 1. 5	.1482	(1)	- 7. 0
1915	.1423	(1)	- 1. 0	.1509	152. 9	- . 6	.1315	(1)	-11. 3
1916	.1744	(1)	+22. 6	.1805	182. 9	+19. 6	.1561	(1)	+18. 7
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.1708	(1)	+ 3. 9	.1678	179. 0	+ 2. 6	.1650	(1)	+ 5. 1
February	.1750	(1)	+ 2. 5	.1710	173. 3	+ 1. 9	.1713	(1)	+ 3. 8
March	.1663	(1)	- 5. 0	.1719	174. 2	+ . 5	.1790	(1)	+ 4. 5
April	.1625	(1)	- 2. 3	.1666	168. 8	- 3. 1	.1475	(1)	-17. 6
May	.1550	(1)	- 4. 6	.1661	168. 3	- . 3	.1275	(1)	-13. 6
June	.1447	(1)	- 6. 6	.1503	152. 3	- 9. 5	.1460	(1)	+14. 5
July	.1448	(1)	+ . 1	.1516	153. 6	+ . 9	.1400	(1)	- 4. 1
August	.1516	(1)	+ 4. 7	.1648	167. 0	+ 8. 7	.1490	(1)	+ 2. 1
September	.1813	(1)	+19. 6	.1897	192. 2	+15. 1	.1475	(1)	+ 3. 1
October	.1891	(1)	+ 4. 3	.2075	210. 2	+ 9. 4	.1638	(1)	+11. 1
November	.2334	(1)	+23. 4	.2325	235. 6	+12. 0	.1690	(1)	+ 3. 2
December	.2300	(1)	- 1. 5	.2291	232. 1	- 1. 5	.1700	(1)	+ . 6

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.				
	Coffee: Rio, No. 7.			Eggs.	
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Firsts: western, Boston.	
Average price per dozen.				Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$. 1313</b>	<b>100.0</b>			
1890.....	.1793	136.6			
1891.....	.1671	127.3	- 6.8		
1892.....	.1430	108.9	-14.4		
1893.....	.1723	131.2	+20.5		
1894.....	.1654	126.0	- 4.0		
1895.....	.1592	121.2	- 3.7		
1896.....	.1233	93.9	-22.6		
1897.....	.0793	60.4	-35.7		
1898.....	.0633	48.2	-20.2		
1899.....	.0604	46.0	- 4.6		
1900.....	.0822	62.6	+36.1		
1901.....	.0646	49.2	-21.4		
1902.....	.0586	44.6	- 9.3		
1903.....	.0559	42.6	- 4.6		
1904.....	.0782	59.6	+39.9		
1905.....	.0832	63.4	+ 6.4		
1906.....	.0811	61.8	- 2.5		
1907.....	.0658	50.1	-18.9		
1908.....	.0628	47.8	- 4.6		
1909.....	.0783	59.6	+24.7		
1910.....	.0952	72.3	+21.6		
1911.....	.1341	102.1	+40.9		
1912.....	.1462	111.3	+ 9.0		
1913.....	.1113	84.8	-23.9	\$. 2515	(1)
1914.....	.0816	62.2	-26.7	.2632	(1)
1915.....	.0745	56.7	- 8.7	.2514	(1)
1916.....	.0924	70.4	+24.0	.2913	(1)
<b>1916.</b>					
January.....	.0763	58.1	(2)	.3113	(1)
February.....	.0825	62.8	+ 8.1	.2713	(1)
March.....	.0925	70.4	+12.1	.2315	(1)
April.....	.0950	72.4	+ 2.7	.2188	(1)
May.....	.0975	74.3	+ 2.6	.2295	(1)
June.....	.0988	75.2	+ 1.3	.2275	(1)
July.....	.0900	68.5	- 8.9	.2438	(1)
August.....	.0950	72.4	+ 5.6	.2740	(1)
September.....	.0988	75.2	+ 4.0	.3088	(1)
October.....	.0950	72.4	- 3.8	.3350	(1)
November.....	.0950	72.4	(2)	.3970	(1)
December.....	.0925	70.4	- 2.6	.4550	(1)

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Eggs.								
	First: fresh, Chicago.			First: fresh, Cincinnati.			Candled: western, New Orleans.		
	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>									
1890									
1891									
1892									
1893									
1894									
1895									
1896									
1897									
1898									
1899									
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1904									
1905									
1906									
1907									
1908									
1909									
1910									
1911									
1912									
1913	\$. 2258	(1)		\$. 2237	(1)		\$. 2343	(1)	
1914	. 2333	(1)	+ 3.3	. 2335	(1)	+ 4.4	. 2350	(1)	+ 0.3
1915	. 2272	(1)	- 2.6	. 2238	(1)	- 4.2	. 2344	(1)	- .3
1916	. 2617	(1)	+15.2	. 2734	(1)	+22.2	. 2435	(1)	+ 3.9
<b>1916.</b>									
January	. 2883	(1)	- 1.2	. 3038	(1)	- 4.7	. 2950	(1)	- 3.3
February	. 2384	(1)	-17.3	. 2290	(1)	-24.6	. 2205	(1)	-25.3
March	. 1891	(1)	-20.7	. 1850	(1)	-19.2	. 1825	(1)	-17.2
April	. 2022	(1)	+ 6.9	. 1975	(1)	+ 6.8	. 1900	(1)	+ 4.1
May	. 2088	(1)	+ 3.3	. 2050	(1)	+ 3.8	. 1875	(1)	- 1.3
June	. 2106	(1)	+ .9	. 2125	(1)	+ 3.7	. 1819	(1)	- 3.0
July	. 2225	(1)	+ 5.7	. 2350	(1)	+10.6	. 1894	(1)	+ 4.1
August	. 2413	(1)	+ 8.4	. 2840	(1)	+12.3	. 2190	(1)	+15.6
September	. 2813	(1)	+16.6	. 3100	(1)	+17.4	. 2875	(1)	+22.1
October	. 3090	(1)	+ 9.8	. 3410	(1)	+10.0	. 3110	(1)	+18.3
November	. 3638	(1)	+17.7	. 4038	(1)	+18.4	. 3363	(1)	+ 8.1
December	. 3894	(1)	+ 7.0	. 4075	(1)	+ .9	. 3763	(1)	+11.9

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Eggs.								
	New laid: fair to fancy, nearby, New York, average price per dozen.	Firsts: fresh gathered, New York, average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Extra firsts: western, Philadelphia.		Fresh: selected, pullets', San Francisco.		
					Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> . . . . .	<b>\$0. 1963</b>		<b>100. 0</b>						
1890 . . . . .	. 1945		99. 1						
1891 . . . . .	. 2160		110. 0	+11. 1					
1892 . . . . .	. 2467		110. 4	+ . 3					
1893 . . . . .	. 2247		114. 5	+ 3. 7					
1894 . . . . .	. 1835.		93. 5	-18. 3					
1895 . . . . .	. 2002		102. 0	+ 9. 1					
1896 . . . . .	. 1741		88. 7	-13. 0					
1897 . . . . .	. 1718		87. 5	- 1. 3					
1898 . . . . .	. 1817		92. 6	+ 5. 8					
1899 . . . . .	. 1994		101. 6	+ 9. 7					
1900 . . . . .	. 1977		100. 7	- . 9					
1901 . . . . .	. 2095		106. 7	+ 6. 0					
1902 . . . . .	. 2409		122. 7	+15. 0					
1903 . . . . .	. 2418		123. 2	+ . 4					
1904 . . . . .	. 2650		135. 0	+ 9. 6					
1905 . . . . .	. 2712		138. 2	+ 2. 3					
1906 . . . . .	. 2615		133. 2	- 3. 6					
1907 . . . . .	. 2771		141. 2	+ 6. 0					
1908 . . . . .	. 2788		142. 0	+ . 6					
1909 . . . . .	. 3146		160. 3	+12. 8					
1910 . . . . .	. 3258		166. 0	+ 3. 6					
1911 . . . . .	. 2977		151. 7	- 8. 6					
1912 . . . . .	. 3315		168. 9	+11. 4					
1913 . . . . .	. 3268	\$0. 2490	166. 5	- 1. 4	\$0. 2636	(1)	\$0. 2678	(1)	
1914 . . . . .	. 2656		177. 7	+ 6. 7	. 2776	(1)	. 2878	(1)	+ 7. 5
1915 . . . . .	. 2569		171. 8	- 3. 3	. 2724	(1)	. 2657	(1)	- 7. 7
1916 . . . . .	. 2928		195. 8	+14. 0	. 3013	(1)	. 2783	(1)	+ 4. 7
<b>1916.</b>									
January . . . . .	. 3094	206. 9	- 9. 2	. 3100	(1)	-14. 4	. 3000	(1)	-10. 7
February . . . . .	. 2600	173. 9	-16. 0	. 2600	(1)	-16. 1	. 2313	(1)	-22. 9
March . . . . .	. 2153	144. 0	-17. 2	. 2260	(1)	-13. 1	. 1770	(1)	-23. 5
April . . . . .	. 2159	144. 4	+ . 3	. 2250	(1)	- . 4	. 1975	(1)	+11. 6
May . . . . .	. 2243	150. 0	+ 3. 9	. 2325	(1)	+ 3. 3	. 2038	(1)	+ 3. 2
June . . . . .	. 2303	154. 0	+ 2. 7	. 2380	(1)	+ 2. 4	. 2260	(1)	+10. 9
July . . . . .	. 2488	166. 4	+ 8. 0	. 2606	(1)	+ 9. 5	. 2450	(1)	+ 8. 4
August . . . . .	. 2835	189. 6	+13. 9	. 2938	(1)	+12. 7	. 2850	(1)	+16. 3
September . . . . .	. 3250	217. 3	+14. 6	. 3340	(1)	+13. 7	. 3313	(1)	+16. 2
October . . . . .	. 3440	230. 0	+ 5. 8	. 3575	(1)	+ 7. 0	. 4113	(1)	+24. 1
November . . . . .	. 4138	276. 7	+20. 3	. 4125	(1)	+15. 4	. 3970	(1)	- 3. 5
December . . . . .	. 4588	306. 8	+10. 9	. 4540	(1)	+10. 1	. 3413	(1)	+14. 0

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.									
	Fish.									
	Cod.					Herring.				
	Dry, bank, large, Boston market, average price per quintal.	Dry, bank, large, New York market, average price per hundred-weight.	Large shore (pickled, cured), Gloucester market, average price per hundred-weight.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Shore, round, Boston market, average price per barrel.	Nova Scotia, split, Boston market, average price per barrel.	Newfoundland, split, large No. 1, New York market, average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$5.5849</b>			<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$3.7763</b>		<b>100.0</b>		
1890.....	5.6771			101.7		3.5250		93.3	.....	
1891.....	6.7292			120.5	+18.5	4.7068		124.6	+33.5	
1892.....	7.0521			126.3	+ 4.8	2.9375		77.8	-37.6	
1893.....	6.3802			114.2	- 9.5	3.8125		101.0	+29.8	
1894.....	5.9583			106.7	- 6.6	3.3958		89.9	-10.9	
1895.....	5.5208			98.9	- 7.3	3.1563		83.6	- 7.1	
1896.....	4.2083			75.4	-23.8	3.3542		88.8	+ 6.3	
1897.....	4.5208			80.9	+ 7.4	3.6354		96.3	+ 8.4	
1898.....	4.6667			83.6	+ 3.2	4.2083		111.4	+15.8	
1899.....	5.1354			92.0	+10.0	5.0313		133.2	+19.6	
1900.....	5.3021			94.9	+ 3.2	5.0833		134.6	+ 1.0	
1901.....	5.9896			107.2	+13.0	4.9792		131.9	- 2.0	
1902.....	5.0938			91.2	-15.0	4.9063		129.9	- 1.5	
1903.....	5.8646			105.0	+15.1	5.7292		151.7	+16.8	
1904.....	7.2813			130.4	+24.2	5.4531		144.4	- 4.8	
1905.....	7.3958			132.4	+ 1.6	6.0000		158.9	+10.0	
1906.....	7.6042			136.2	+ 2.8	6.3438		168.0	+ 5.7	
1907.....	7.7396			138.6	+ 1.8	6.1500	\$7.2083	162.9	- 3.1	
1908.....	7.3021			130.7	- 5.7		7.0833	160.1	- 1.7	
1909.....	7.0208			125.7	- 3.9		7.0682	159.8	- .2	
1910.....	6.9375			124.2	- 1.2		7.3125	165.3	+ 3.5	
1911.....	7.9583			142.5	+14.7		6.8611	155.1	- 6.2	
1912.....	8.1042	\$7.9479		145.1	+ 1.8		7.5000	\$6.6042	169.5	+ 9.3
1913.....		7.8125	\$6.7080	142.6	- 1.7			6.6250	170.0	+ .3
1914.....			7.0000	148.9	+ 4.4			6.6250	170.0	(1)
1915.....			7.4167	157.8	+ 6.0			6.8125	174.8	+ 2.8
1916.....			8.0417	171.0	+ 8.4			7.3125	187.7	+ 7.3
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....			7.7500	164.8	(1)			7.7500	198.9	(1)
February.....			7.7500	164.8	(1)			7.5000	192.5	- 3.2
March.....			7.7500	164.8	(1)			7.2500	186.1	- 3.3
April.....			7.8500	166.9	+ 1.3			6.7500	173.2	- 6.9
May.....			7.9000	167.9	+ .6			6.7500	173.2	(1)
June.....			8.0000	170.1	+ 1.3			6.7500	173.2	(1)
July.....			8.2500	175.4	+ 3.1			7.2500	186.1	7.4
August.....			8.2500	175.4	(1)			7.2500	186.1	(1)
September.....			8.2500	175.4	(1)			7.2500	186.1	(1)
October.....			8.2500	175.4	(1)			6.7500	173.2	- 6.9
November.....			8.2500	175.4	(1)			8.2500	211.7	+22.2
December.....			8.2500	175.4	(1)			8.2500	211.7	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.						
	Fish.						
	Mackerel: salt, large No. 3s.			Salmon: canned.			
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Chinook fancy, talls, ls, average price per dozen cans.	Alaska, red, average price per dozen cans.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$14. 1306</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$1. 4731</b>	.....	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	18. 2500	129. 2	.....	1. 6417	.....	111. 4	.....
1891.....	15. 3125	108. 4	-16. 1	1. 5000	.....	101. 8	- 8. 6
1892.....	13. 0000	92. 0	-15. 1	1. 4833	.....	100. 7	-1. 1
1893.....	13. 0000	92. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	1. 4938	.....	101. 4	+ . 7
1894.....	11. 0556	78. 2	-15. 0	1. 4250	.....	96. 7	- 4. 6
1895.....	15. 6250	110. 6	+41. 3	1. 5042	.....	102. 1	+ 5. 6
1896.....	13. 9167	98. 5	-10. 9	1. 5500	.....	105. 2	+ 3. 0
1897.....	12. 2292	86. 5	-12. 1	1. 3375	.....	90. 8	-13. 7
1898.....	13. 6667	96. 7	+11. 8	1. 2667	.....	86. 0	- 5. 3
1899.....	15. 2500	107. 9	+11. 6	1. 5292	.....	103. 8	-20. 7
1900.....	13. 8958	98. 3	- 8. 9	1. 7708	.....	120. 2	+15. 8
1901.....	10. 8182	76. 6	-22. 1	1. 7125	.....	116. 3	- 3. 3
1902.....	13. 7500	97. 3	+27. 1	1. 6146	.....	109. 6	- 5. 7
1903.....	17. 4479	123. 5	+26. 9	1. 6208	.....	110. 0	+ . 4
1904.....	14. 5000	102. 6	-16. 9	1. 7250	.....	117. 1	+ 6. 4
1905.....	13. 9167	98. 5	- 4. 0	1. 7042	.....	115. 7	- 1. 2
1906.....	14. 7917	104. 7	+ 6. 3	1. 6833	.....	114. 3	- 1. 2
1907.....	13. 9167	98. 5	- 5. 9	1. 6679	.....	113. 2	- . 9
1908.....	11. 3542	80. 4	-18. 4	1. 9208	.....	130. 4	+15. 2
1909.....	10. 1875	72. 1	-10. 1	1. 7000	.....	115. 4	-11. 5
1910.....	14. 5833	103. 2	+43. 1	1. 7438	.....	118. 4	+ 2. 6
1911.....	16. 0000	113. 2	+ 9. 7	2. 1042	.....	142. 8	+20. 7
1912.....	13. 2083	93. 5	-17. 4	2. 1833	.....	148. 2	+ 3. 8
1913.....	11. 2083	79. 3	-15. 1	2. 2250	.....	151. 0	+ 1. 9
1914.....	10. 1700	71. 9	- 9. 3	2. 2250	\$1. 4604	151. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915.....	10. 6667	75. 5	+ 4. 9	.....	1. 5000	155. 1	+ 2. 7
1916.....	14. 0000	99. 1	+31. 2	.....	1. 6783	173. 5	+11. 9
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....	13. 0000	92. 0	- 7. 1	.....	1. 5750	162. 8	- 3. 1
February.....	13. 0000	92. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 5750	162. 8	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	13. 0000	92. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 5875	164. 1	+ . 8
April.....	13. 0000	92. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 5875	164. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	13. 0000	92. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 5875	164. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	13. 5000	95. 5	+ 3. 8	.....	1. 5875	164. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	13. 5000	95. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 6250	168. 0	+ 2. 4
August.....	14. 5000	102. 6	+ 7. 4	.....	1. 6875	174. 5	+ 3. 8
September.....	15. 0000	106. 2	+ 3. 4	.....	1. 7525	181. 2	+ 3. 9
October.....	15. 0000	106. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 8250	188. 7	+ 4. 1
November.....	15. 5000	109. 7	+ 3. 3	.....	1. 8750	193. 9	+ 2. 7
December.....	16. 0000	113. 2	+ 3. 2	.....	1. 8750	193. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.						
	Flour.						
	Buckwheat.			Rye.			
	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	New York market, average price per barrel.	Minneapolis market, average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$1.9428</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$3.3171</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890	2.0214	104.0		3.3646		101.4	
1891	2.4429	125.7	+20.9	4.9208		148.3	+46.3
1892	1.7891	92.1	-26.8	4.0167		121.1	-18.4
1893	2.3679	121.9	+32.4	3.0854		93.0	-23.2
1894	2.4357	125.4	+2.9	2.7813		83.8	-9.9
1895	1.6750	86.2	-31.2	3.1333		94.5	+12.7
1896	1.3806	71.1	-17.6	2.6833		80.9	-14.4
1897	1.4656	75.4	+6.2	2.8063		84.6	+4.6
1898	1.5500	79.8	+5.8	3.0813		92.9	+9.8
1899	2.3000	118.4	+48.4	3.2979		99.4	+7.0
1900	2.1036	108.3	-8.5	3.4250		103.3	+3.9
1901	2.1063	108.4	+ .1	3.3208		100.1	-3.0
1902	2.2357	115.1	+6.1	3.4417		103.8	+3.6
1903	2.3214	119.5	+3.8	3.1479		94.9	-8.5
1904	2.3333	120.1	+ .5	4.3479		131.1	+38.1
1905	2.1893	112.7	-6.2	4.4667		134.7	-2.7
1906	2.2333	115.0	+2.0	3.8438		115.9	-13.9
1907	2.5714	132.4	+15.1	4.6021		138.7	+19.7
1908	3.0333	156.1	+18.0	4.7375		142.8	+2.9
1909	2.3583	121.4	-22.3	4.4854		135.2	-5.3
1910	2.1417	110.2	-9.2	4.2292		127.5	-5.7
1911	2.4375	125.5	+13.8	4.6938		141.5	+11.0
1912	2.4500	126.1	+ .5	4.5188		136.2	-3.7
1913	2.6500	136.4	+8.2	3.6688	\$3.1231	110.6	-18.8
1914	2.8250	145.4	+6.6		3.5212	124.6	+12.7
1915	2.8200	145.2	-.2		5.2135	184.5	+48.1
1916	3.6583	188.3	+29.7		5.7269	202.8	+9.8
<b>1916.</b>							
January	2.9250	150.6	-.8		4.8000	170.0	+3.8
February	2.9750	153.1	+1.7		4.9500	175.3	+3.1
March	2.9500	151.8	-.8		4.8500	171.8	-2.0
April	2.9500	151.8	( <sup>1</sup> )		4.8500	171.8	( <sup>2</sup> )
May	( <sup>1</sup> )				5.0300	178.1	+3.7
June	( <sup>1</sup> )				5.1500	182.4	+2.4
July	( <sup>1</sup> )				5.1500	182.4	( <sup>2</sup> )
August	( <sup>1</sup> )				5.7100	202.2	+10.9
September	( <sup>1</sup> )				6.5500	232.0	+14.7
October	( <sup>1</sup> )				6.7300	238.3	+2.7
November	4.9500	254.8			7.0750	271.8	+14.0
December	5.2000	267.7	+5.1		7.4000	262.1	-3.6

<sup>1</sup> No quotation for month.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.						Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
	Flour.						
	Wheat: winter patents, Kansas City.			Wheat: spring patents, New York, average price per barrel.	Wheat: standard patents, Minneapolis, average price per barrel.	Relative price.	
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>				<b>\$4.2972</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890				5.1856		120.7	
1891				5.3053		123.5	+ 2.3
1892				4.3466		101.1	-18.1
1893				4.0063		93.2	- 7.8
1894				3.5947		83.7	-10.3
1895				3.6434		84.8	+ 1.4
1896				3.7957		88.3	+ 4.2
1897				4.5913		106.8	+21.0
1898				4.7293		110.1	+ 3.0
1899				3.7740		87.8	-20.2
1900				3.8423		89.4	+ 1.8
1901				3.8104		88.7	- .8
1902				3.8082		88.6	- .1
1903				4.3303		100.8	+13.7
1904				5.3784		125.2	+24.2
1905				5.4221		126.2	+ .8
1906				4.2760		99.5	-21.1
1907				4.8755		113.5	+14.0
1908				5.4183		126.1	+11.1
1909				5.7567		134.0	+ 6.2
1910				5.4952		127.9	- 4.5
1911				5.0784		118.2	- 7.6
1912				5.2712		122.7	+ 3.8
1913	\$4.0115	(1)		4.5442	\$4.5837	105.7	-13.8
1914	4.3625	(1)	+ 8.7		5.0962	117.5	+11.2
1915	5.8606	(1)	+34.3		6.6630	153.6	+30.7
1916	6.3644	(1)	+ 8.6		7.2639	167.5	+ 9.0
<b>1916.</b>							
January	5.7500	(1)	+12.6		6.6438	153.2	+ 6.7
February	5.7375	(1)	- .2		6.4400	148.5	- 3.1
March	5.1250	(1)	-10.7		5.8813	135.6	- 8.7
April	5.1950	(1)	+ 1.4		6.2188	143.4	+ 5.7
May	5.0813	(1)	- 2.2		6.1900	142.7	- .5
June	4.8125	(1)	- 5.3		5.7625	132.9	- 6.9
July	5.1350	(1)	+ 6.7		6.1000	140.7	+ 5.9
August	6.9000	(1)	+34.4		7.6050	175.4	+24.7
September	7.3950	(1)	+ 7.2		8.4250	194.3	+10.8
October	8.0750	(1)	+ 9.2		9.2800	214.0	+10.1
November	9.0688	(1)	+12.3		9.8250	226.6	+ 5.9
December	8.0250	(1)	-11.5		8.6813	200.2	-11.6

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.						
	Flour.						
	Wheat: second patents, Minneapolis.			Wheat: winter straights, New York, average price per barrel.	Wheat: winter straights, Kansas City, average price, per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>				<b>\$3.8450</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890				4.6524		121.0	
1891				4.9048		127.6	+ 5.4
1892				4.1216		107.2	-16.0
1893				3.2832		85.4	-20.3
1894				2.7495		71.5	-16.3
1895				3.2311		84.0	+17.5
1896				3.6197		94.1	+12.0
1897				4.3606		113.4	+20.5
1898				4.1452		107.8	- 4.9
1899				3.3822		88.0	-18.4
1900				3.3490		87.1	- 1.0
1901				3.3085		86.0	- 1.2
1902				3.4885		90.7	+ 5.4
1903				3.5923		93.4	+ 3.0
1904				4.8264		125.5	+34.4
1905				4.5428		118.1	- 5.9
1906				3.6149		94.0	-20.4
1907				3.9877		103.7	+10.3
1908				4.2909		111.6	+ 7.6
1909				5.4510		141.8	+27.0
1910				4.6913		122.0	-13.0
1911				3.9837		103.6	-15.1
1912				4.6863		121.9	+17.6
1913	\$4.4221	(1)		4.3077	\$3.8471	112.0	- 8.1
1914	4.9389	(1)	+11.7		4.1245	120.1	+ 7.2
1915	6.5029	(1)	+31.7		5.6120	163.5	+36.1
1916	7.0899	(1)	+ 9.0		6.0909	177.3	+ 8.5
<b>1916.</b>							
January	6.4875	(1)	+ 6.9		5.4750	159.4	+11.3
February	6.2800	(1)	- 3.2		5.4813	159.6	+ .1
March	5.7313	(1)	- 8.7		4.9000	142.7	-10.6
April	6.0688	(1)	+ 5.9		5.0150	146.0	+ 2.3
May	6.0400	(1)	- 5		4.8375	140.8	- 3.5
June	5.5750	(1)	- 7.7		4.5688	133.0	- 5.6
July	5.9563	(1)	+ 6.8		4.8000	139.7	+ 5.1
August	7.3850	(1)	+24.0		6.5313	190.1	+36.1
September	8.2750	(1)	+12.1		7.0750	206.0	+ 8.3
October	9.0550	(1)	+ 9.4		8.125	227.4	+10.4
November	9.6440	(1)	+ 6.5		8.7125	253.6	+11.5
December	8.4810	(1)	-12.1		7.8000	227.1	-10.5

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.					
	Flour.					
	Wheat: first patents, St. Louis.			Wheat: patent, Toledo.		
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>						
1890						
1891						
1892						
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1907						
1908						
1909						
1910						
1911						
1912						
1913						
1914	\$4.4127	(1)		\$4.7490	(1)	
1915	5.8938	(1)	+33.6	6.0363	(1)	+27.1
1916	6.3538	(1)	+7.8	6.5197	(1)	+8.0
<b>1916.</b>						
January	5.6313	(1)	+2.9	6.2438	(1)	+9.2
February	5.7688	(1)	+2.4	6.0188	(1)	-3.6
March	5.3250	(1)	-7.7	5.3125	(1)	-11.7
April	5.2950	(1)	-.6	5.6450	(1)	+6.3
May	5.2000	(1)	-1.8	5.5250	(1)	-2.1
June	5.0000	(1)	-3.8	5.0438	(1)	-8.7
July	5.2450	(1)	+4.9	5.4900	(1)	+8.8
August	6.4750	(1)	+23.5	7.0625	(1)	+28.6
September	7.3000	(1)	+12.7	7.2200	(1)	+2.2
October	7.8063	(1)	+6.9	7.8938	(1)	+9.3
November	8.5938	(1)	+10.1	8.6688	(1)	+9.8
December	8.4000	(1)	-2.3	8.0350	(1)	-7.3

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.					
	Flour.					
	Wheat: second patents, St. Louis.			Wheat: straight, Toledo.		
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>						
1890.....						
1891.....						
1892.....						
1893.....						
1894.....						
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1896.....						
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1907.....						
1908.....						
1909.....						
1910.....						
1911.....						
1912.....						
1913.....						
1914.....	\$4.1049	(1)		\$4.6622	(1)	
1915.....	5.5683	(1)	+35.7	5.9340	(1)	+27.3
1916.....	5.9654	(1)	+7.1	6.4197	(1)	+8.2
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	5.3375	(1)	+4.1	6.1438	(1)	+9.3
February.....	5.4500	(1)	+2.1	5.9188	(1)	-3.7
March.....	4.9625	(1)	-8.9	5.2125	(1)	-11.9
April.....	4.9150	(1)	-1.0	5.5450	(1)	+6.4
May.....	4.8250	(1)	-1.8	5.4250	(1)	-2.2
June.....	4.6875	(1)	-2.8	4.9438	(1)	-8.9
July.....	4.9350	(1)	+5.3	5.3900	(1)	+9.0
August.....	6.0000	(1)	+21.6	6.9625	(1)	+29.2
September.....	6.7850	(1)	+13.1	7.1200	(1)	+2.3
October.....	7.4375	(1)	+9.6	7.7938	(1)	+9.5
November.....	8.1563	(1)	+9.7	8.5688	(1)	+9.9
December.....	7.9200	(1)	-2.9	7.9350	(1)	-7.4

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Fruit.								
	Apples: evaporated, choice.			Apples: fresh, Baldwin.			Bananas: Jamaica, 8s.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bunch.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.0847</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1890.....	.1136	134.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891.....	.1100	129.9	- 3.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1892.....	.0688	81.2	-37.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1893.....	.0927	109.4	+34.7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1894.....	.1092	128.9	+17.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1895.....	.0678	80.0	-37.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1896.....	.0533	62.9	-21.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1897.....	.0555	65.5	+ 4.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1898.....	.0890	105.1	+60.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1899.....	.0869	102.6	- 2.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1900.....	.0615	72.6	-29.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1901.....	.0709	83.7	+15.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1902.....	.0921	108.7	+29.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1903.....	.0611	72.1	-33.7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1904.....	.0603	71.2	- 1.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1905.....	.0699	82.5	+15.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1906.....	.0978	115.5	+39.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1907.....	.0843	99.5	-13.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1908.....	.0863	101.9	+ 2.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1909.....	.0769	90.8	-10.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1910.....	.0836	98.7	+ 8.7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1911.....	.1203	142.0	+43.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1912.....	.0827	97.6	-31.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1913.....	.0718	84.8	-13.2	\$3.1736	(1)	.....	\$0.7958	(1)	.....
1914.....	.0942	111.3	+31.3	4.0417	(1)	+27.4	.8521	(1)	+ 7.1
1915.....	.0772	91.1	-18.0	2.7750	(1)	-31.3	.8229	(1)	- 3.4
1916.....	.0673	79.5	-12.8	3.1678	(1)	+14.2	.9273	(1)	+12.7
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.0763	90.1	(2)	2.8438	(1)	+ 3.4	.5500	(1)	(2)
February.....	.0713	84.2	- 6.6	3.1000	(1)	+ 9.0	.8500	(1)	+54.5
March.....	.0638	75.3	-10.5	3.1250	(1)	+ .8	.8500	(1)	(2)
April.....	.0619	73.1	- 3.0	3.0625	(1)	- 2.0	.7500	(1)	-11.8
May.....	.0619	73.1	(2)	3.1000	(1)	+ 1.2	.9750	(1)	+30.0
June.....	.0613	72.4	- 1.0	3.2188	(1)	+ 3.8	.9750	(1)	(2)
July.....	.0625	73.8	+ 2.0	3.2500	(1)	+ 1.0	1.2250	(1)	+25.6
August.....	.0613	72.4	- 1.9	(3)	.....	.....	1.0250	(1)	-16.3
September.....	.0625	73.8	+ 2.0	(3)	.....	.....	(3)	.....	.....
October.....	.0675	79.7	+ 8.0	3.5000	(1)	.....	1.0000	(1)	.....
November.....	.0738	87.1	+ 9.3	3.3440	(1)	- 4.5	1.0000	(1)	(2)
December.....	.0838	98.9	+13.6	3.3750	(1)	+ .9	1.0000	(1)	(2)

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.  
<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>3</sup> No quotation for month.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Fruit.								
	Currants: in barrels.			Lemons: California.			Oranges: California.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per box.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per box.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.0375</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1890.....	.0478	127.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891.....	.0426	113.6	-10.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1892.....	.0297	79.2	-30.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1893.....	.0270	72.0	-9.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1894.....	.0173	46.1	-35.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1895.....	.0254	67.7	+46.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1896.....	.0327	87.2	+28.7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1897.....	.0479	127.7	+46.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1898.....	.0580	154.7	+21.1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1899.....	.0470	125.3	-19.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1900.....	.0720	192.0	+53.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1901.....	.0831	221.6	+15.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1902.....	.0494	131.7	-40.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1903.....	.0476	126.9	-3.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1904.....	.0488	130.1	+2.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1905.....	.0490	130.7	+ .4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1906.....	.0614	163.7	+25.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1907.....	.0703	187.5	+14.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1908.....	.0609	162.4	-13.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1909.....	.0603	160.8	-1.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1910.....	.0651	173.6	+8.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1911.....	.0761	202.9	+16.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1912.....	.0751	200.3	-1.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1913.....	.0684	182.4	-8.9	\$5.7730	(1)	.....	\$4.4197	(1)	.....
1914.....	.0672	179.1	-1.8	4.1510	(1)	-28.1	2.7716	(1)	-37.3
1915.....	.0766	204.3	+14.0	3.0333	(1)	-26.9	3.5024	(1)	+26.4
1916.....	.1231	328.3	+60.7	4.3053	(1)	+41.9	3.4841	(1)	- .5
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.0888	236.8	-8.9	3.8750	(1)	+6.9	2.7188	(1)	-9.4
February.....	.0975	280.0	+9.8	3.5000	(1)	-9.7	2.5250	(1)	-7.1
March.....	.0963	256.8	-1.2	2.3750	(1)	-32.1	2.4063	(1)	-4.7
April.....	.1025	273.3	+6.4	2.9063	(1)	+22.4	2.2813	(1)	-5.2
May.....	.1038	276.8	+1.3	3.0250	(1)	+4.1	2.3750	(1)	+4.1
June.....	.1038	276.8	(2)	3.8750	(1)	+28.1	3.6063	(1)	+51.8
July.....	.1238	330.1	+19.3	5.5313	(1)	+42.7	3.9688	(1)	+10.1
August.....	.1275	340.0	+3.0	7.2500	(1)	+31.1	4.4000	(1)	+10.9
September.....	.1275	340.0	(2)	6.3438	(1)	-12.5	4.5125	(1)	+9.4
October.....	.1500	400.0	+17.6	4.8500	(1)	-23.5	4.8250	(1)	+ .3
November.....	.1813	483.5	+20.9	4.5625	(1)	-5.9	4.8750	(1)	+1.0
December.....	.1750	466.7	-3.5	3.2188	(1)	-29.5	2.9688	(1)	-39.1

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.									
	Fruit.						Glucose.			
	Prunes: California, in boxes.			Raisins: California.						
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	London layer; average price per box.	Coast, seeded; average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.0774</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.5006</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.4182</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.1068	138.0	.....	2.3604	.....	157.3	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891.....	.1000	129.2	- 6.4	1.8021	.....	120.1	-23.7	.....	.....	.....
1892.....	.0995	128.6	- .5	1.4688	.....	97.9	-15.5	.....	.....	.....
1893.....	.1639	134.2	+ 4.4	1.7000	.....	113.3	+15.7	1.7625	124.3	.....
1894.....	.0735	95.0	-29.3	1.1542	.....	76.9	-32.1	1.5802	111.4	-10.3
1895.....	.0666	86.0	- 9.4	1.4292	.....	95.2	+23.8	1.5492	109.2	- 2.0
1896.....	.0581	75.1	-12.8	1.0188	.....	67.9	-28.7	1.1585	81.7	-25.2
1897.....	.0516	70.5	- 6.0	1.3979	.....	93.2	+37.2	1.2190	86.0	+ 5.2
1898.....	.0514	70.3	- .4	1.3917	.....	92.7	- .4	1.3021	91.8	+ 6.8
1899.....	.0565	73.0	+ 3.9	1.2833	.....	85.5	- 7.8	1.3558	95.6	+ 4.1
1900.....	.0522	67.4	- 7.6	1.5208	.....	101.3	+18.5	1.4875	104.9	+ 9.7
1901.....	.0525	67.8	+ .6	1.4417	.....	96.1	- 5.2	1.6458	116.0	+10.6
1902.....	.0551	71.2	+ 5.0	1.6854	.....	112.3	+16.9	2.1788	153.6	+32.4
1903.....	.0481	62.1	-12.7	1.4458	.....	96.3	-14.2	1.8396	129.7	-15.6
1904.....	.0461	59.6	- 4.2	1.4729	.....	98.2	+ 1.9	1.7917	126.3	- 2.6
1905.....	.0459	59.3	- .4	1.1875	.....	79.1	-19.4	1.7742	125.1	- 1.0
1906.....	.0646	83.5	+40.7	1.6000	.....	106.6	+34.7	2.0267	142.9	+14.2
1907.....	.0593	76.6	- 8.2	1.6271	.....	108.4	+ 1.7	2.2608	159.4	+11.6
1908.....	.0598	77.3	+ .8	1.8100	.....	120.6	+11.2	2.6400	186.2	+16.8
1909.....	.0531	68.6	-11.2	1.2698	.....	84.6	-29.8	2.4733	174.4	- 6.3
1910.....	.0625	80.7	+17.7	1.2240	.....	81.3	- 3.6	1.9417	136.9	-21.5
1911.....	.1163	150.3	+86.1	1.4125	.....	94.1	+15.4	1.8579	131.0	- 4.3
1912.....	.0743	96.0	-36.1	1.4250	.....	95.0	+ .9	2.3125	163.1	+24.5
1913.....	.0656	84.8	-11.7	1.3521	.....	90.1	- 5.1	2.1375	150.7	- 7.6
1914.....	.0928	120.0	+41.5	1.7896	.....	119.3	+32.4	2.1600	152.4	+ 1.1
1915.....	.0790	102.1	-14.9	1.4250	\$0.0765	95.0	-20.4	2.2942	161.8	+ 6.2
1916.....	.0736	95.1	- 6.8	.....	.0726	90.2	- 5.1	2.5725	181.4	+12.1
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.0700	90.4	- 1.8	.....	.0738	91.6	- 6.3	2.2600	159.4	+ 6.6
February.....	.0713	92.1	+ 1.9	.....	.0738	91.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.3100	162.9	+ 2.2
March.....	.0688	88.9	- 3.5	.....	.0738	91.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.3100	162.9	( <sup>2</sup> )
April.....	.0663	85.7	- 3.6	.....	.0713	88.5	- 3.4	2.2100	155.8	- 4.3
May.....	.0688	88.9	+ 3.8	.....	.0713	88.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.4100	169.9	+ 9.0
June.....	.0688	88.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.0713	88.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.3100	162.9	- 4.1
July.....	.0750	96.9	+ 9.0	.....	.0713	88.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.3100	162.9	( <sup>2</sup> )
August.....	.0750	96.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.0713	88.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.6100	184.0	+13.0
September.....	.0713	92.1	+ 4.9	.....	.0713	88.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.9100	205.2	+11.5
October.....	.0788	101.8	+10.5	.....	.0700	86.9	- 1.8	2.7100	191.1	- 6.9
November.....	.0850	109.8	+ 7.9	.....	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.....	3.3100	283.4	+22.1
December.....	.0850	109.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.0800	99.3	.....	3.2100	226.3	- 3.0

1 Average price for 1893 to 1899.

2 Price unchanged.

3 No quotation for month.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Lard: prime, contract.			Meal: corn.					
				Fine white.		Fine yellow.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0654</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.0486</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.0169</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.0633	96.8	.....	1.0613	101.2	.....	1.0200	100.3	.....
1891.....	.0660	100.9	+ 4.3	1.4746	140.6	+38.9	1.4579	143.4	+42.9
1892.....	.0771	117.9	+16.8	1.1921	113.7	-19.2	1.1608	114.2	-20.4
1893.....	.1030	157.5	+33.6	1.1013	105.0	- 7.6	1.0833	106.5	- 6.7
1894.....	.0773	118.2	-25.0	1.1188	106.7	+ 1.6	1.0629	104.5	- 1.9
1895.....	.0653	99.8	-15.5	1.0721	102.2	- 4.2	1.0613	104.4	- .2
1896.....	.0469	71.7	-28.2	.8129	77.5	-24.2	.7854	77.2	-26.0
1897.....	.0441	67.4	- 6.0	.8158	77.8	+ .4	.7633	75.1	- 2.8
1898.....	.0552	84.4	+25.2	.8821	84.1	+ 8.1	.8463	83.2	+10.9
1899.....	.0556	85.0	+ .7	.9554	91.1	+ 8.3	.9273	91.2	+ 9.6
1900.....	.0690	105.5	+24.1	1.0115	96.5	+ 5.9	.9908	97.4	+ 6.8
1901.....	.0885	135.3	+28.3	1.1979	114.2	+18.4	1.1875	116.8	+19.9
1902.....	.1059	161.9	+19.7	1.5354	146.4	+28.2	1.5250	150.0	+28.4
1903.....	.0877	134.1	-17.2	1.2967	123.7	-15.5	1.2783	125.7	-16.2
1904.....	.0731	111.8	-16.6	1.3396	127.8	+ 3.2	1.3333	131.1	+ 4.3
1905.....	.0745	113.9	+ 1.9	1.3250	126.4	- 1.1	1.3250	130.3	- .6
1906.....	.0887	135.6	+19.1	1.2667	120.8	- 4.4	1.2625	124.2	- 4.7
1907.....	.0920	140.7	+ 3.7	1.3575	129.5	+ 7.2	1.3575	133.5	+ 7.5
1908.....	.0908	138.8	- 1.3	1.6146	154.0	+18.9	1.6146	153.6	+18.9
1909.....	.1169	178.7	+28.7	1.6250	155.0	+ .6	1.6104	158.4	- .3
1910.....	.1253	191.6	+ 7.2	1.5417	147.0	- 5.1	1.4792	145.5	- 8.1
1911.....	.0908	138.8	-27.5	1.2933	123.3	+16.1	1.2913	127.0	-12.7
1912.....	.1049	160.4	+15.5	1.6500	157.4	+27.6	1.6521	162.5	+27.9
1913.....	.1101	168.3	+ 5.0	1.4250	135.9	-13.6	1.4250	140.1	-13.7
1914.....	.0137	158.5	- 5.8	1.5688	149.6	+10.1	1.5708	154.4	+10.2
1915.....	.0940	143.7	- 9.4	1.7271	164.7	+10.1	1.7250	169.6	+ 9.8
1916.....	.1347	206.0	+43.3	2.0813	198.5	+20.5	2.0604	202.6	+19.4
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1044	159.6	+ 5.6	1.7250	164.5	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.7250	169.6	( <sup>1</sup> )
February.....	.1025	156.7	- 1.8	1.9000	181.2	+10.1	1.9000	186.8	+10.1
March.....	.1131	172.9	+10.3	1.9000	181.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.9000	186.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	.1310	185.0	+ 7.0	2.0000	190.7	+ 5.3	1.9500	191.8	+ 2.6
May.....	.1312	200.6	+ 8.4	2.1000	200.3	+ 5.0	2.0000	196.7	+ 2.6
June.....	.1310	200.3	- .2	1.8500	176.4	-11.9	1.8000	177.0	-10.0
July.....	.1313	200.8	+ .2	1.9500	186.0	+ 5.4	1.9000	186.8	+ 5.6
August.....	.1369	209.3	+ 4.3	2.0000	190.7	+ 2.6	2.0000	196.7	+ 5.3
September.....	.1489	227.7	+ 8.8	2.1000	200.3	+ 5.0	2.1000	206.5	+ 5.0
October.....	.1578	241.3	+ 6.0	2.1000	200.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	2.1000	206.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	.1730	264.5	+ 9.6	2.6000	247.9	+23.8	2.6000	255.7	+23.8
December.....	.1683	257.3	- 2.7	2.7500	262.3	+ 5.8	2.7500	270.4	+ 5.8

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Meat.								
	Bacon: short clear sides.			Bacon: rough sides.			Beef: fresh, carcass, good native steers (Chicago market).		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0675</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>\$.0656</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>.....</b>			
1890.....	.0603	89.3	.....	.0586	89.3	.....			
1891.....	.0699	103.6	+15.9	.0681	103.8	+16.2			
1892.....	.0787	116.6	+12.6	.0764	116.5	+12.2			
1893.....	.1048	155.3	+33.2	.1010	154.0	+32.2			
1894.....	.0751	111.3	-28.3	.0736	112.2	-27.1			
1895.....	.0650	96.3	-13.4	.0632	96.3	-14.1			
1896.....	.0494	73.2	-24.0	.0479	73.0	-24.2			
1897.....	.0541	80.1	+9.5	.0522	79.6	+9.0			
1898.....	.0596	88.3	+10.2	.0594	90.5	+13.8			
1899.....	.0583	86.4	-2.2	.0558	85.1	-6.1			
1900.....	.0752	111.4	+29.0	.0732	111.6	+31.2			
1901.....	.0891	132.0	+18.5	.0869	132.5	+18.7			
1902.....	.1073	159.0	+20.4	.1046	159.5	+20.4			
1903.....	.0959	142.1	-10.6	.0938	143.0	-10.3			
1904.....	.0775	114.8	-19.2	.0757	115.4	-19.3			
1905.....	.0800	118.5	+3.2	.0783	119.4	+3.4			
1906.....	.0942	139.6	+17.8	.0920	140.2	+17.5			
1907.....	.0954	141.3	+1.3	.0919	140.1	-.1			
1908.....	.0901	133.5	-5.6	.0870	132.6	-5.3	\$.1053	(1)	
1909.....	.1173	173.8	+30.2	.1134	172.9	+30.3	.1095	(1)	+4.0
1910.....	.1332	197.3	+13.6	.1291	196.8	+13.8	.1154	(1)	+5.4
1911.....	.0949	140.6	-28.8	.0928	141.5	-28.1	.1121	(1)	-2.9
1912.....	.1107	164.0	+16.6	.1078	164.3	+16.2	.1329	(1)	+18.6
1913.....	.1274	188.7	+15.1	.1236	188.4	+14.7	.1295	(1)	-2.6
1914.....	.1323	195.9	+3.8	.1295	197.4	+4.8	.1364	(1)	+5.3
1915.....	.1155	171.1	-12.7	.1129	172.1	-12.8	.1289	(1)	-5.5
1916.....	.1487	220.3	+28.7	.1462	222.9	+29.5	.1382	(1)	+7.2
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1230	182.2	-1.8	.1223	186.4	+ .3	.1375	(1)	(2)
February.....	.1278	189.3	+3.9	.1269	193.4	+3.8	.1375	(1)	(2)
March.....	.1363	201.9	+6.7	.1344	204.9	+5.9	.1375	(1)	(2)
April.....	.1397	207.0	+2.5	.1358	207.0	+1.0	.1375	(1)	(2)
May.....	.1438	213.0	+2.9	.1425	217.2	+4.9	.1375	(1)	(2)
June.....	.1478	219.0	+2.8	.1441	219.7	+1.1	.1415	(1)	+2.9
July.....	.1572	232.9	+6.4	.1534	233.8	+6.5	.1413	(1)	-.1
August.....	.1591	235.7	+1.2	.1555	237.0	+1.4	.1375	(1)	-2.7
September.....	.1625	240.7	+2.1	.1600	243.9	+2.9	.1375	(1)	(2)
October.....	.1629	241.3	..	.1603	244.4	..	.1375	(1)	(2)
November.....	.1658	245.6	+1.8	.1625	247.7	+1.4	.1375	(1)	(2)
December.....	.1592	235.9	-4.0	.1566	238.7	-3.6	.1375	(1)	(2)

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.    <sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Meat.								
	Beef: fresh, native sides (New York market).			Beef: salt, extra mess.			Hams: smoked.		
	Average price pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$. 0771</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 0166</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 0984</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	.0688	89. 2		6.9596	86. 8		.0995	101. 1	.....
1891.....	.0819	106. 2	+19. 0	8.3654	104. 4	+20. 2	.0982	99. 8	- 1. 3
1892.....	.0762	98. 8	- 7. 0	6.7966	84. 8	-18. 8	.1076	109. 3	+ 9. 6
1893.....	.0813	105. 4	+ 6. 7	8.1938	102. 2	+20. 6	.1249	126. 9	+16. 1
1894.....	.0748	97. 0	- 8. 0	8.0933	101. 0	- 1. 2	.1019	103. 5	-18. 4
1895.....	.0792	102. 7	+ 5. 9	8.1274	101. 4	+ . 4	.0947	96. 2	- 7. 1
1896.....	.0698	90. 5	-11. 9	7.5096	93. 7	- 7. 6	.0943	95. 8	- . 4
1897.....	.0769	99. 7	+10. 2	7.6755	95. 7	+ 2. 2	.0894	90. 9	- 5. 2
1898.....	.0781	101. 3	+ 1. 6	9.1563	114. 2	+19. 3	.0807	82. 0	- 9. 7
1899.....	.0835	108. 3	+ 6. 9	9.2885	115. 9	+ 1. 4	.0923	93. 8	+14. 4
1900.....	.0804	104. 3	- 3. 7	9.7538	121. 7	+ 5. 0	.1025	104. 2	+11. 1
1901.....	.0787	102. 1	- 2. 1	9.3204	116. 3	- 4. 4	.1075	109. 2	+ 4. 9
1902.....	.0971	125. 9	+23. 4	11.7885	147. 1	+26. 5	.1211	123. 1	+12. 7
1903.....	.0784	101. 7	-19. 3	9.0673	113. 1	-23. 1	.1271	129. 2	+ 5. 0
1904.....	.0818	106. 1	+ 4. 3	8.7689	109. 4	- 3. 3	.1072	108. 9	-15. 7
1905.....	.0802	104. 0	- 2. 0	10.0240	125. 0	+14. 3	.1046	106. 3	- 2. 4
1906.....	.0780	101. 2	- 2. 7	8.8462	110. 3	-11. 7	.1235	125. 5	+18. 1
1907.....	.0884	114. 7	+13. 3	9.8173	122. 5	+11. 0	.1303	132. 4	+ 5. 5
1908.....	.0934	121. 1	+ 5. 7	13.1837	164. 5	+34. 3	.1125	114. 3	-13. 7
1909.....	.0949	123. 1	+ 1. 6	11.0227	137. 5	-16. 4	.1310	133. 1	+16. 4
1910.....	.1027	133. 2	+ 8. 2	14.5888	182. 0	+32. 4	.1644	167. 1	+25. 5
1911.....	.0982	127. 4	- 4. 4	12.9087	161. 0	-11. 5	.1398	142. 1	-15. 0
1912.....	.1213	157. 3	+23. 5	15.7933	197. 0	+22. 3	.1429	145. 2	+ 2. 2
1913.....	.1252	162. 4	+ 3. 2	18.9231	236. 0	+19. 8	.1662	168. 9	+16. 3
1914.....	.1346	174. 6	+ 7. 5	19.7549	246. 4	+ 4. 4	.1670	169. 7	+ . 5
1915.....	.1255	162. 8	- 6. 8	18.6394	232. 5	- 5. 6	.1531	155. 6	- 8. 3
1916.....	.1339	173. 7	+ 6. 7	18.9388	236. 2	+ 1. 6	.1850	188. 0	+20. 8
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1238	160. 6	+ 2. 1	16.7500	208. 9	- . 8	.1588	161. 4	+ 2. 1
February.....	.1233	159. 9	- . 4	16.8125	209. 7	+ . 4	.1675	170. 2	+ 5. 5
March.....	.1288	167. 1	+ 4. 5	17.0000	212. 1	+ 1. 1	.1769	179. 8	+ 5. 6
April.....	.1281	166. 1	- . 5	17.0000	212. 1	(1)	.1831	186. 1	+ 3. 5
May.....	.1313	170. 3	+ 2. 5	17.0000	212. 1	(1)	.1845	187. 5	+ . 8
June.....	.1500	194. 6	+14. 2	17.1250	213. 6	+ . 7	.1850	188. 0	+ . 3
July.....	.1425	184. 8	- 5. 0	18.2500	227. 7	+ 6. 6	.1900	193. 1	+ 2. 7
August.....	.1400	181. 6	- 1. 8	18.9500	236. 4	+ 3. 8	.1900	193. 1	(1)
September.....	.1388	180. 0	- . 9	20.7500	258. 8	+ 9. 5	.1900	193. 1	(1)
October.....	.1300	168. 6	- 6. 3	22.1000	275. 7	+ 6. 5	.1935	196. 6	+ 1. 8
November.....	.1325	171. 9	+ 1. 9	22.7500	283. 8	+ 2. 9	.2031	206. 4	+ 5. 0
December.....	.1325	171. 9	(1)	23.2500	290. 0	+ 2. 2	.1988	202. 0	- 2. 1

<sup>1</sup>Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Meat.								
	Lamb: dressed, round.			Mutton: dressed.			Pork: salt, mess.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$.0754</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$11.6332</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890				.0933	123.7		12.1502	104.0	
1891				.0866	114.9	-7.2	11.3029	97.2	-7.0
1892				.0914	121.2	+5.5	11.5252	99.1	+2.0
1893				.0803	106.5	-12.1	18.3389	157.6	+59.1
1894				.0605	80.2	-24.7	14.1262	121.4	-23.0
1895				.0620	82.2	+2.5	11.8255	101.7	-16.3
1896				.0625	82.9	+ .8	8.9399	76.8	-24.4
1897				.0728	96.6	+16.5	8.9087	76.6	- .3
1898				.0739	98.0	+1.5	9.8678	84.8	+10.8
1899				.0711	94.3	-3.8	9.3462	80.3	-5.3
1900				.0727	96.4	+2.3	12.5072	107.5	+33.8
1901				.0675	89.5	-7.2	15.6108	134.2	+24.8
1902				.0738	97.9	+9.3	17.9399	154.2	+14.9
1903				.0744	98.7	+ .8	16.6514	143.1	-7.2
1904				.0778	103.2	+4.6	14.0288	120.6	-15.8
1905				.0859	113.9	+10.4	14.4183	123.9	+2.8
1906				.0910	120.7	+5.9	17.5120	150.5	+21.5
1907				.0875	116.0	-3.8	17.5684	151.0	+ .3
1908				.0863	114.5	-1.4	15.9736	137.3	-9.1
1909				.0899	119.2	+4.2	21.3438	183.5	+33.6
1910				.1005	133.3	+11.8	23.7380	204.1	+11.2
1911				.0752	99.7	-25.2	19.1587	164.7	-19.3
1912				.0839	111.3	+11.6	19.2854	165.8	+ .7
1913				.1025	135.9	+22.2	22.4712	193.2	+16.5
1914	\$.1487	(1)		.1025	135.9	+22.2	22.4712	193.2	+16.5
1914	.1515	(1)	+1.9	.1010	133.9	-1.5	22.7358	195.5	+1.2
1915	.1635	(1)	+7.9	.1073	142.3	+6.2	18.3173	157.5	-19.4
1916	.1829	(1)	+11.9	.1250	165.8	+16.5	26.7704	230.1	+46.1
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.1688	(1)	+13.3	.1106	146.7	+9.9	19.7500	169.8	+11.3
February	.1788	(1)	+5.9	.1175	155.8	+6.2	20.7500	178.4	+5.1
March	.1820	(1)	+1.8	.1200	159.2	+2.1	24.0625	206.8	+16.0
April	.1888	(1)	+3.7	.1313	174.1	+9.4	24.5000	210.6	+1.8
May	.1875	(1)	- .7	.1415	187.7	+7.8	25.7500	221.3	+5.1
June	.1960	(1)	+4.5	.1233	163.5	-12.9	25.8750	222.4	+ .5
July	.1850	(1)	-5.6	.1313	174.1	+6.5	27.1667	233.5	+5.0
August	.1963	(1)	+6.1	.1295	171.8	-1.4	28.8500	248.0	+6.2
September	.1860	(1)	-5.2	.1244	165.0	-3.9	30.3125	260.6	+5.1
October	.1700	(1)	-8.6	.1230	163.1	-1.1	30.9500	266.0	+2.1
November	.1738	(1)	+2.2	.1200	159.2	-2.4	31.5000	270.8	+1.8
December	.1790	(1)	+3.0	.1250	165.8	+4.2	31.7500	272.9	+ .8

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.									
	Meat.									
	Poultry: dressed fowls, iced, Chicago.			Poultry: dressed fowls, western, dry picked, New York.			Veal.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>										
1890										
1891										
1892										
1893										
1894										
1895										
1896										
1897										
1898										
1899										
1900										
1901										
1902										
1903										
1904										
1905										
1906										
1907										
1908										
1909				\$0.1389	(1)					
				.1619	(1)	+16.6				
1910				.1761	(1)	+ 8.8				
1911				.1559	(1)	-11.5				
1912				.1615	(1)	+ 3.6				
1913	\$0.1446			.1824	(1)	+12.9	\$0.1908	(1)		
1914	.1483	(1)	+ 2.6	.1836	(1)	+ .7	.1848	(1)	+2.2	
1915	.1373	(1)	- 7.4	.1775	(1)	- 3.3	.1823	(1)	-1.4	
1916	.1662	(1)	+21.0	.2119	(1)	+19.4	.1903	(1)	+4.4	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.1500	(1)	+25.0	.1763	(1)	+ 6.2	.1800	(1)	(2)	
February	.1555	(1)	+ 3.7	.1931	(1)	+ 9.5	.1875	(1)	+4.2	
March	.1644	(1)	+ 5.7	.1915	(1)	- .8	.1860	(1)	- .8	
April	.1819	(1)	+10.6	.2125	(1)	+11.0	.1688	(1)	-9.2	
May	.1895	(1)	+ 4.2	.2225	(1)	+ 4.7	.1713	(1)	+1.5	
June	.1819	(1)	+ 4.0	.2275	(1)	+ 2.2	.1840	(1)	+7.4	
July	.1738	(1)	- 4.5	.2175	(1)	- 4.4	.1950	(1)	+6.0	
August	.1660	(1)	- 4.5	.2181	(1)	+ .3	.2000	(1)	+2.6	
September	.1750	(1)	+ 5.4	.2223	(1)	+ 1.9	.2060	(1)	+3.0	
October	.1600	(1)	- 8.6	.2300	(1)	+ 3.5	.1963	(1)	-4.7	
November	.1400	(1)	-12.5	.2188	(1)	- 4.9	.1963	(1)	(2)	
December	.1544	(1)	+10.3	.2110	(1)	- 3.6	.2075	(1)	+5.7	

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Milk: fresh.								
	Chicago.			New York.			San Francisco.		
	Average price per quart.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per quart.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per quart.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$. 0255</b>	<b>100. 0</b>				
1890			.0263	103. 1					
1891			.0267	104. 7	+ 1. 5				
1892			.0268	105. 1	+ . 4				
1893			.0279	109. 4	+ 4. 1				
1894			.0263	103. 1	- 5. 7				
1895			.0253	99. 2	- 3. 8				
1896			.0234	91. 8	- 7. 5				
1897			.0235	92. 2	+ . 4				
1898			.0239	93. 7	+ 1. 7				
1899			.0253	99. 2	+ 5. 9				
1900			.0274	107. 5	+ 8. 3				
1901			.0262	102. 7	- 4. 4				
1902			.0288	112. 9	+ 9. 9				
1903			.0288	112. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )				
1904			.0275	107. 8	- 4. 5				
1905			.0289	113. 3	+ 5. 1				
1906			.0301	118. 0	+ 4. 2				
1907			.0335	131. 4	+11. 3				
1908			.0329	129. 0	- 1. 8				
1909			.0338	132. 5	+ 2. 7				
1910			.0368	144. 3	+ 8. 9				
1911			.0336	131. 8	- 8. 7				
1912			.0368	144. 3	+ 9. 5				
1913	\$. 0377	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0353	138. 4	- 4. 1	\$. 0390	( <sup>2</sup> )		
1914	.0380	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 0. 8	.0351	137. 6	- . 6	.0392	( <sup>2</sup> )	+0. 5
1915	.0376	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 1. 1	.0355	139. 2	+ 1. 1	.0380	( <sup>2</sup> )	-3. 1
1916	.0390	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 3. 7	.0388	152. 2	+ 9. 3	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	-1. 3
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.0402	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 3. 6	.0413	162. 0	- 2. 8	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
February	.0386	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 4. 0	.0400	156. 9	- 3. 1	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
March	.0355	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 8. 0	.0375	147. 1	- 6. 2	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
April	.0370	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 4. 2	.0325	127. 5	-13. 3	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
May	.0339	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 8. 4	.0300	117. 6	- 7. 7	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
June	.0262	( <sup>2</sup> )	-13. 9	.0275	107. 8	- 3. 3	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
July	.0355	( <sup>2</sup> )	+21. 6	.0313	122. 7	+13. 8	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
August	.0386	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 8. 7	.0350	137. 3	+11. 8	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
September	.0386	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0365	143. 1	+ 4. 3	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
October	.0448	( <sup>2</sup> )	+16. 1	.0500	196. 1	+37. 0	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
November	.0480	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 7. 1	.0523	205. 1	+ 4. 6	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
December	.0480	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0523	205. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation see p. 60.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Molasses: New Orleans, open kettle.			Oleomargarine.			Oleo oil.		
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.3151</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1890.....	.3542	112.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891.....	.2788	88.5	-21.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1892.....	.3188	101.2	+14.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1893.....	.3346	106.2	+5.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1894.....	.3092	98.1	-7.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1895.....	.3063	97.8	-1.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1896.....	.3246	103.0	+5.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1897.....	.2617	83.1	-19.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1898.....	.3083	97.8	+17.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1899.....	.3525	111.9	+14.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1900.....	.4775	151.5	+35.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1901.....	.3783	120.1	-20.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1902.....	.3638	115.5	-3.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1903.....	.3546	112.5	-2.5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1904.....	.3396	107.8	-4.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1905.....	.3229	102.5	-4.9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1906.....	.3400	107.9	+5.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1907.....	.4088	129.7	+20.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1908.....	.3550	112.7	-13.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1909.....	.3500	111.1	-1.4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1910.....	.3704	117.5	+5.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1911.....	.4063	128.9	+9.7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1912.....	.4354	138.2	+7.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1913.....	.4500	142.3	+3.4	\$.1775	(1)	.....	\$.1154	(1)	.....
1914.....	.4771	151.4	+6.0	.1758	(1)	-1.0	.1087	(1)	-5.8
1915.....	.4667	148.1	-2.2	.1733	(1)	-1.4	.1220	(1)	+12.2
1916.....	.4500	142.8	-3.6	.1917	(1)	+10.6	.1399	(1)	+14.7
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1700	(1)	(3)	.1213	(1)	-5.8
February.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1700	(1)	(3)	.1256	(1)	+3.5
March.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1700	(1)	(3)	.1231	(1)	-2.0
April.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1800	(1)	+5.9	.1313	(1)	+6.7
May.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1900	(1)	+5.6	.1425	(1)	+8.5
June.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1900	(1)	(3)	.1325	(1)	-7.0
July.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1900	(1)	(3)	.1325	(1)	(3)
August.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1900	(1)	(3)	.1325	(1)	(3)
September.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.1900	(1)	(3)	.1425	(1)	+7.5
October.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.2000	(1)	+5.3	.1450	(1)	+1.8
November.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.2200	(1)	+10.0	.1600	(1)	+10.3
December.....	.4500	142.8	(3)	.2400	(1)	+9.1	.1900	(1)	+18.8

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Olive oil.					Rice.			
	French.			Italian.		Domes- tic, average price per pound.	Hon- duras, head, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) or com- pared with pre- ceding year or month.
	Average price per gallon.	Rela- tive price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) or com- pared with pre- ceding year or month.	Average price per gallon.	Rela- tive price.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>						\$0.0561		100.0	
1890						.0605		107.8	
1891						.0637		113.5	+ 5.3
1892						.0569		101.4	-10.7
1893						.0459		81.8	-19.3
1894						.0526		93.8	+14.6
1895						.0533		95.0	+ 1.3
1896						.0519		92.5	- 2.6
1897						.0542		96.6	- 4.4
1898						.0608		108.4	+12.2
1899						.0607		108.2	- .2
1900						.0548		97.7	- 9.7
1901						.0548		97.7	(1)
1902						.0559		99.6	+ 2.0
1903						.0566		100.9	+ 1.3
1904						.0441		78.6	-22.1
1905						.0417		74.3	- 5.4
1906						.0474		84.5	+13.7
1907						.0534		95.2	+12.7
1908						.0624		111.2	+16.9
1909						.0619		110.3	- .8
1910						.0547		97.5	-11.6
1911						.0501		89.3	- 8.4
1912						.0547		97.5	+ 9.2
1913	\$2.0979	(2)		\$2.0042	(2)	.0554		98.8	+ 1.3
1914	2.1292	(2)	+ 1.5	2.0750	(2)	+ 3.5	\$0.0514	105.2	+ 6.5
1915	2.2771	(2)	+ 6.9	2.1771	(2)	+ 4.9	.0476	97.4	- 7.4
1916	1.8417	(2)	-19.1	2.0354	(2)	- 6.5	.0454	92.9	- 4.6
<b>1916.</b>									
January	1.8250	(2)	+ 5.8	2.1250	(2)	+4.9	.0450	92.1	- 5.3
February	1.9250	(2)	+ 5.5	2.1000	(2)	-1.2	.0450	92.1	(1)
March	1.8000	(2)	- 6.5	2.1000	(2)	(1)	.0475	97.2	+ 5.6
April	1.8000	(2)	(1)	2.1000	(2)	(1)	.0456	93.3	+ 4.0
May	1.8000	(2)	(1)	2.1000	(2)	(1)	.0456	93.3	(1)
June	1.8000	(2)	(1)	2.1000	(2)	(1)	.0456	93.3	(1)
July	1.8000	(2)	(1)	2.1000	(2)	(1)	.0456	93.3	(1)
August	1.8000	(2)	(1)	2.1000	(2)	(1)	.0450	92.1	- 1.3
September	1.8500	(2)	+ 2.8	1.9000	(2)	-9.5	.0438	89.6	- 2.7
October	1.8500	(2)	(1)	1.8500	(2)	-2.6	.0431	88.2	- 1.6
November	1.8500	(2)	(1)	1.8500	(2)	(1)	.0450	92.1	+ 4.4
December	2.0000	(2)	+ 8.1	2.0000	(2)	+8.1	.0475	97.2	+ 5.6

1 Price unchanged.

2 No relative price computed.

For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Salt: American.			Soda: bicarbonate of, American.			Spices: pepper, black, Singapore.		
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$. 7044</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 0209</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 0749</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.7921	112.5	.....	.0275	131.6	.....	.1151	153.7	.....
1891.....	.7865	111.7	- 0.7	.0317	151.7	+15.3	.0873	116.6	-24.2
1892.....	.7575	107.5	- 3.7	.0218	104.3	-31.2	.0689	92.0	-21.1
1893.....	.7019	99.6	- 7.3	.0285	136.4	+30.7	.0595	79.4	-13.6
1894.....	.7192	102.1	+ 2.5	.0268	128.2	- 6.0	.0516	68.9	-13.3
1895.....	.7019	99.6	- 2.4	.0177	84.7	-34.0	.0497	66.4	- 3.7
1896.....	.6226	88.4	-11.3	.0152	72.7	-14.1	.0500	66.8	+ .6
1897.....	.6613	93.9	+ 6.2	.0150	71.8	- 1.3	.0664	88.7	+32.8
1898.....	.6648	94.4	+ .5	.0129	61.7	-14.0	.0891	119.0	+34.2
1899.....	.6365	90.4	- 4.3	.0117	56.0	- 9.3	.1117	149.1	+25.4
1900.....	1.0010	142.1	+57.3	.0123	58.9	+ 5.1	.1291	172.4	+15.6
1901.....	.8567	121.6	-14.4	.0107	51.2	-13.0	.1292	172.5	+ .1
1902.....	.6360	90.3	-25.8	.0108	51.7	+ .9	.1255	167.6	- 2.9
1903.....	.6140	87.2	- 3.5	.0129	61.7	+19.4	.1289	172.1	+ 2.7
1904.....	.7704	109.4	+25.5	.0130	62.2	+ .8	.1229	164.1	- 4.7
1905.....	.7552	107.2	- 2.0	.0130	62.2	(1)	.1217	162.5	- 1.0
1906.....	.7144	101.4	- 5.4	.0130	62.2	(1)	.1138	151.9	- 6.5
1907.....	.7931	112.6	+11.0	.0130	62.2	(1)	.0994	132.7	-12.7
1908.....	.7854	111.5	- 1.0	.0110	52.6	-15.4	.0715	95.5	-28.1
1909.....	.8175	116.1	+ 4.1	.0100	47.8	- 9.1	.0711	94.9	- .6
1910.....	.7546	107.1	- 7.7	.0100	47.8	(1)	.0800	106.8	+12.5
1911.....	.8277	117.5	+ 9.7	.0100	47.8	(1)	.0967	129.1	+20.9
1912.....	.8875	140.2	+19.3	.0100	47.8	(1)	.1150	153.5	+18.9
1913.....	1.0200	144.8	+ 3.3	.0100	47.8	(1)	.1085	144.9	- 5.7
1914.....	1.0200	144.8	(1)	.0100	47.8	(1)	.1164	155.5	+ 7.3
1915.....	1.0700	151.9	+ 4.9	.0103	49.3	+ 3.0	.1357	181.2	+16.6
1916.....	1.1450	162.5	+ 7.0	.0158	75.6	+53.4	.1760	235.0	+29.7
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	1.0700	151.9	(1)	.0120	57.4	(1)	.1600	213.6	+ 9.4
February.....	1.0700	151.9	(1)	.0150	71.8	+25.0	.1413	215.4	+ .8
March.....	1.0700	151.9	(1)	.0160	76.6	+ 6.7	.1938	268.7	+20.1
April.....	1.1700	166.1	+ 9.3	.0165	78.9	+ 3.1	.1918	255.4	- 1.3
May.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	(1)	.1775	237.0	- 7.2
June.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0150	71.8	- 9.1	.1713	228.7	- 3.5
July.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	+10.0	.1738	232.0	+ 1.5
August.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	(1)	.1712	228.7	- 1.4
September.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	(1)	.1725	230.3	+ .7
October.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	(1)	.1725	230.3	(1)
November.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	(1)	.1694	226.2	- 1.8
December.....	1.1700	166.1	(1)	.0165	78.9	(1)	.1975	263.7	+16.6

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.								
	Starch: corn.			Sugar.					
				96° centrifugal.		Granulated.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$.0548</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0387</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0473</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890	.0546	99.6	.....	.0546	141.1	.....	.0617	130.5	.....
1891	.0600	109.5	+ 9.9	.0891	101.1	-28.4	.0471	99.7	-23.6
1892	.0600	109.5	(1)	.0332	85.7	-15.2	.0435	92.1	- 7.6
1893	.0600	109.5	(1)	.0368	95.1	+11.0	.0484	102.3	+11.1
1894	.0567	103.5	- 5.5	.0323	83.5	-12.3	.0411	87.0	-15.0
1895	.0554	101.1	- 2.3	.0325	84.1	+ .7	.0416	87.9	+ 1.1
1896	.0513	93.6	- 7.4	.0362	93.7	+11.4	.0453	95.9	+ 9.1
1897	.0500	91.2	- 2.5	.0356	92.1	- 1.7	.0450	95.1	- .8
1898	.0500	91.2	(1)	.0424	109.5	+18.8	.0497	105.2	+10.6
1899	.0500	91.2	(1)	.0442	114.3	+ 4.4	.0492	104.2	- 1.0
1900	.0500	91.2	(1)	.0457	118.2	+ 3.4	.0533	112.8	+ 8.3
1901	.0470	85.8	- 6.0	.0404	104.4	-11.6	.0505	106.8	- 5.3
1902	.0440	80.3	- 6.4	.0354	91.5	-12.3	.0446	94.2	-11.7
1903	.0507	92.5	+15.2	.0372	96.1	+ 5.0	.0464	98.2	+ 4.2
1904	.0525	95.8	+ 3.6	.0397	102.7	+ 6.8	.0477	101.0	+ 2.8
1905	.0552	100.7	+ 5.1	.0428	110.6	+ 7.6	.0526	111.2	+10.1
1906	.0577	105.3	+ 4.5	.0369	95.3	-13.8	.0452	95.5	-14.1
1907	.0600	109.5	+ 4.0	.0375	97.0	+ 1.8	.0465	98.4	+ 3.0
1908	.0575	104.9	- 4.2	.0406	105.0	+ 8.3	.0494	104.5	+ 6.2
1909	.0600	109.5	+ 4.3	.0400	103.4	- 1.6	.0476	100.7	- 3.7
1910	.0600	109.5	(1)	.0419	108.2	+ 4.7	.0496	104.9	+ 4.2
1911	.0600	109.5	(1)	.0446	115.2	+ 6.5	.0533	112.8	+ 7.6
1912	.0596	108.8	- .7	.0416	107.5	- 6.7	.0505	106.7	- 5.4
1913	.0600	109.5	+ .7	.0350	90.6	-15.8	.0427	90.4	-15.3
1914	.0617	112.6	+ 2.8	.0384	99.4	+ 9.7	.0471	99.7	+10.3
1915	.0650	118.6	+ 5.3	.0465	120.2	+21.1	.0556	117.5	+18.0
1916	.0679	123.9	+ 4.5	.0579	149.6	+24.5	.0688	145.5	+23.7
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0465	120.2	- 5.5	.0573	121.1	- 3.2
February	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0491	126.9	+ 5.6	.0597	126.2	+ 4.2
March	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0564	145.7	+14.9	.0659	139.3	+10.4
April	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0615	158.9	+ 9.0	.0706	149.3	+ 7.1
May	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0643	166.1	+ 4.6	.0746	157.7	+ 5.7
June	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0632	163.3	- 1.7	.0736	155.6	- 1.3
July	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0630	162.8	- .3	.0750	158.6	+ 1.9
August	.0650	118.6	(1)	.0558	144.2	-11.4	.0700	148.0	- 6.7
September	.0700	127.7	+ 7.7	.0555	143.4	- .5	.0637	134.7	- 9.0
October	.0750	136.9	+ 7.1	.0626	161.8	+12.8	.0708	149.7	+11.1
November	.0750	136.9	(1)	.0621	160.5	- .8	.0735	155.4	+ 3.8
December	.0750	136.9	(1)	.0531	137.2	-14.5	.0692	146.3	- 5.9

1 Price unchanged.

**TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.**

Year or month.	Food, etc.						
	Tallow.				Tea: Formosa, fine.		
	New York, average price per pound.	Packers' prime, Chicago, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.0435</b>	-----	<b>100.0</b>	-----	<b>\$0.2839</b>	<b>100.0</b>	-----
1890.....	.0460	-----	105.7	-----	.2733	96.3	-----
1891.....	.0483	-----	111.0	+ 5.0	.2817	99.2	+ 3.1
1892.....	.0463	-----	106.4	- 4.1	.3008	106.0	+ 6.8
1893.....	.0544	-----	125.1	+17.5	.2888	101.7	- 4.0
1894.....	.0480	-----	110.3	-11.8	.2783	98.0	- 3.6
1895.....	.0434	-----	99.8	- 9.6	.2700	95.1	- 3.0
1896.....	.0343	-----	78.9	-21.0	.2683	91.0	- 4.3
1897.....	.0332	-----	76.3	- 3.2	.2800	98.6	+ 8.4
1898.....	.0356	-----	81.8	+ 7.2	.2958	104.2	+ 5.6
1899.....	.0453	-----	104.1	+27.2	.3117	109.8	+ 5.4
1900.....	.0485	-----	111.5	+ 7.1	.2977	104.9	- 4.5
1901.....	.0518	-----	119.1	+ 6.8	.2850	100.4	- 4.3
1902.....	.0629	-----	144.6	+21.4	.3015	106.2	+ 5.8
1903.....	.0510	-----	117.2	-18.9	.2296	80.9	-23.8
1904.....	.0459	-----	105.5	-10.0	.2758	97.1	+20.1
1905.....	.0449	-----	103.2	- 2.2	.2675	94.2	- 3.0
1906.....	.0529	-----	119.3	+17.8	.2350	82.8	-12.1
1907.....	.0621	-----	142.8	+17.4	.2300	81.0	- 2.1
1908.....	.0551	-----	126.7	-11.3	.2133	75.1	- 7.3
1909.....	.0594	-----	136.6	+ 7.8	.2329	82.0	+ 9.2
1910.....	.0729	-----	167.6	+22.7	.2400	84.5	+ 3.0
1911.....	.0649	-----	149.2	-11.0	.2421	85.3	+ .9
1912.....	.0621	-----	142.8	- 4.3	.2450	86.3	+ 1.2
1913.....	.0628	\$0.0707	144.4	+ 1.1	.2483	87.5	+ 1.3
1914.....	-----	.0687	140.4	- 2.8	.2483	87.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915.....	-----	.0693	141.7	+ .9	.2400	84.5	- 3.3
1916.....	-----	.0989	202.0	+42.7	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....	-----	.0856	174.8	- 2.2	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
February.....	-----	.0950	194.0	+11.0	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	-----	.0906	185.0	- 4.6	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	-----	.1013	206.9	+11.8	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	-----	.1106	225.9	+ 9.2	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	-----	.1044	213.2	- 5.6	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	-----	.0950	194.0	- 9.0	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
August.....	-----	.0806	164.6	-15.2	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	-----	.0888	181.4	+10.2	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
October.....	-----	.1038	212.0	+16.9	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	-----	.1144	233.7	+10.2	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
December.....	-----	.1163	237.5	+ 1.7	.2400	84.5	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.							
	Vegetables: fresh.							
	Cabbage.			Onions.				
	Average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (−) compared with preceding year or month.	New York, average price per barrel.	New York, average price per 100 pounds.	Chicago, average price per sack.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (−) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$3.3995</b>			<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....				4.3438			127.8	
1891.....				4.1250			121.3	− 5.0
1892.....				3.6042			106.0	− 12.6
1893.....				3.1875			93.8	− 11.6
1894.....				3.2500			95.6	+ 2.0
1895.....				3.1146			91.6	− 4.2
1896.....				1.9479			57.3	− 37.5
1897.....				3.9271			115.5	+101.6
1898.....				3.2708			96.2	− 16.7
1899.....				3.2238			94.8	− 1.4
1900.....				2.4271			71.4	− 24.7
1901.....				3.5000			103.0	+ 44.2
1902.....				3.6458			107.2	+ 4.2
1903.....				3.5675			104.9	+ 2.1
1904.....				3.5568			104.6	− .3
1905.....				3.2392			95.3	− 8.9
1906.....				3.2917			96.8	+ 1.6
1907.....				3.5000			103.0	+ 6.3
1908.....	\$15.4394	(1)		3.5357			104.0	+ 1.0
1909.....	26.1739	(1)	+ 69.5	3.0893			90.9	− 12.6
1910.....	17.5625	(1)	− 32.9	2.9643			87.2	− 4.0
1911.....	10.0000	(1)	− 43.1	3.1042	\$1.8039		91.3	+ 4.7
1912.....	8.9423	(1)	− 10.6		2.1200		107.3	+ 17.5
1913.....	14.1601	(1)	+ 58.5		1.3041	\$0.8568	66.0	− 38.5
1914.....	16.8429	(1)	+ 18.9			1.5104	116.4	+ 76.4
1915.....	13.0417	(1)	− 22.6			.5975	46.1	− 60.4
1916.....	25.4412	(1)	+ 95.1			1.3125	101.1	+119.7
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....	9.2500	(1)	+ 35.0			1.1250	86.7	+ 95.7
February.....	8.8750	(1)	− 4.1			1.5000	115.5	+ 33.3
March.....	14.1000	(1)	+ 58.9			1.1250	86.7	− 25.0
April.....	11.5000	(1)	− 18.4			1.1250	86.7	(2)
May.....	16.2500	(1)	+ 41.3			.6250	48.1	− 44.4
June.....	(3)					(3)		
July.....	(3)					(3)		
August.....	(3)					1.1750	90.5	
September.....	32.5000	(1)				1.2000	92.4	+ 2.1
October.....	40.0000	(1)	+ 23.1			1.3750	105.9	+ 14.6
November.....	41.5000	(1)	+ 3.8			1.8750	144.4	+ 36.4
December.....	50.5000	(1)	+ 21.7			2.0000	154.1	+ 6.7

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>3</sup> No quotation for month.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Food, etc.							
	Vegetables, fresh: potatoes, white.				Vinegar: cider.			
	Ordinary to fancy, average price per bushel.	Good to choice, average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Series 1, average price per gallon.	Series 2, average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0.4991</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.1478</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890	.5956		119.3		.1558		105.4	
1891	.7730		154.9	+ 29.8	.1800		121.8	+15.5
1892	.4546		91.1	- 41.2	.1642		111.1	- 8.8
1893	.6714		134.5	+ 47.7	.1500		101.5	- 8.6
1894	.6128		122.8	- 8.7	.1500		101.5	(1)
1895	.4326		86.7	- 29.4	.1450		98.1	- 3.3
1896	.1965		39.4	- 54.6	.1300		88.0	-10.3
1897	.3279		65.7	+ 66.9	.1300		88.0	(1)
1898	.5094		102.1	+ 55.4	.1325		89.6	+ 1.9
1899	.4172		83.6	- 18.1	.1400		94.7	+ 5.7
1900	.3736		74.9	- 10.5	.1350		91.3	- 3.6
1901	.5642		113.0	+ 51.0	.1325		89.6	- 1.9
1902	.5958		119.4	+ 5.6	.1408		95.3	+ 6.3
1903	.5249		105.2	- 11.9	.1300		88.0	- 7.7
1904	.7301		146.3	+ 39.1	.1325		89.6	+ 1.9
1905	.4026		80.7	- 44.9	.1458		98.6	+10.0
1906	.5476		109.7	+ 36.0	.1700		115.0	+16.6
1907	.4912		98.4	- 10.3	.1725		116.7	+ 1.5
1908	.7119		142.6	+ 44.9	.1842		124.6	+ 6.8
1909	.6858		137.4	- 3.7	.1800		121.8	- 2.3
1910	.4275		85.7	- 37.7	.1750		118.4	- 2.8
1911	.7706		154.4	+ 80.3	.1988		134.5	+13.6
1912	.9133		183.0	+ 18.5	.1571		106.3	-21.0
1913	.5932	\$0.6143	118.9	- 35.0	.1500		101.5	- 4.5
1914		.6928	134.1	+ 12.8	.1742	\$0.1296	117.8	+16.1
1915		.4548	88.0	- 34.4		.1133	103.0	-12.6
1916		1.1108	215.0	+144.2		.1300	118.2	+14.7
<b>1916.</b>								
January		.9913	191.9	+ 35.1		.1350	122.7	- 3.6
February		.9320	180.4	- 6.0		.1350	122.7	(1)
March		.9288	179.8	- 3		.1350	122.7	(1)
April		.8475	164.0	- 8.8		.1350	122.7	(1)
May		.9530	184.5	+ 12.4		.1350	122.7	(1)
June		1.0250	198.4	+ 7.6		.1350	122.7	(1)
July		.8625	166.9	- 15.9		.1350	122.7	(1)
August		1.1000	212.9	+ 27.5		.1350	122.7	(1)
September		1.3688	264.9	+ 24.4		.1350	122.7	(1)
October		1.3100	253.6	- 4.3		.1150	104.5	-14.8
November		1.5563	301.2	+ 18.8		.1150	104.5	(1)
December		1.4913	288.6	- 4.2		.1150	104.5	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Bags: cotton, 2-bushel, Amoskeag.			Blankets.						
				All wool, 5 pounds to the pair.			Cotton.			
	Average price per bag.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	11-4, 5 pounds to the pair, cotton warp, cotton and wool filling, average price per pound.	2 pounds to the pair, average price per pair.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$. 1399</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 8400</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 424</b>	.....	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	.1594	113. 9	.....	.9100	108. 3	.....	.460	.....	108. 5	.....
1891.....	.1563	111. 7	- 1. 9	.8900	106. 0	- 2. 2	.460	.....	108. 5	(1)
1892.....	.1550	110. 8	- . 8	.9000	107. 1	+ 1. 1	.430	.....	101. 4	- 6. 5
1893.....	.1494	106. 8	- 3. 6	.9000	107. 1	(1)	.420	.....	99. 1	- 2. 3
1894.....	.1275	91. 1	-14. 7	.8500	101. 2	- 5. 6	.410	.....	96. 7	- 2. 4
1895.....	.1150	82. 2	- 9. 8	.7500	89. 3	-11. 8	.400	.....	94. 3	- 2. 4
1896.....	.1281	91. 6	+11. 4	.7500	89. 3	(1)	.400	.....	94. 3	(1)
1897.....	.1300	92. 9	+ 1. 5	.7500	89. 3	(1)	.420	.....	99. 1	+ 5. 0
1898.....	.1338	95. 6	+ 2. 9	.9000	107. 1	+20. 0	.420	.....	99. 1	(1)
1899.....	.1446	103. 4	+ 8. 1	.8000	95. 2	-11. 1	.420	.....	99. 1	(1)
1900.....	.1575	112. 6	+ 8. 9	.9000	107. 1	+12. 5	.525	.....	123. 8	+25. 0
1901.....	.1413	101. 0	-10. 3	.8500	101. 2	- 5. 6	.475	.....	112. 0	- 9. 5
1902.....	.1433	102. 4	+ 1. 4	.8500	101. 2	(1)	.475	.....	112. 0	(1)
1903.....	.1458	104. 2	+ 1. 7	.9250	110. 1	+ 8. 8	.500	.....	117. 9	+ 5. 3
1904.....	.1796	128. 4	+23. 2	.9250	110. 1	(1)	.525	.....	123. 8	+ 5. 0
1905.....	.1533	109. 6	-14. 6	1.0000	119. 0	+ 8. 1	.600	.....	141. 5	+14. 3
1906.....	.1806	129. 1	+17. 8	1.0250	122. 0	+ 2. 5	.600	.....	141. 5	(1)
1907.....	.1938	138. 5	+ 7. 3	1.0000	119. 0	- 2. 4	.600	\$. 5240	141. 5	(1)
1908.....	.1879	134. 3	- 3. 0	.9500	113. 1	- 5. 0	.....	.5040	136. 1	- 3. 8
1909.....	.1883	134. 6	+ . 2	1.0000	119. 0	+ 5. 3	.....	.5000	135. 0	- . 8
1910.....	.2042	146. 0	+ 8. 4	1.0540	125. 5	+ 5. 4	.....	.5500	148. 5	+10. 0
1911.....	.2042	146. 0	(1)	1.0000	119. 0	- 5. 1	.....	.5700	158. 9	+ 3. 6
1912.....	.1850	132. 2	- 9. 4	1.0250	122. 0	+ 2. 5	.....	.5670	153. 1	- . 5
1913.....	.2017	144. 2	+ 9. 0	1.0500	125. 0	+ 2. 4	.....	.6050	163. 4	+ 6. 7
1914.....	.2050	146. 5	+ 1. 6	1.0167	121. 0	- 3. 2	.....	.6400	172. 9	+ 5. 8
1915.....	.1613	115. 3	-21. 3	1.1500	136. 9	+ 9. 5	.....	.5375	145. 2	-16. 0
1916.....	.2238	160. 0	+38. 7	1.3750	163. 7	+19. 6	.....	.7342	198. 3	+36. 6
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.1800	128. 7	+ 2. 9	1.2500	148. 8	+ 4. 2	.....	.6400	172. 8	+14. 3
February.....	.2000	143. 0	+11. 1	1.2500	148. 8	(1)	.....	.6400	172. 8	(1)
March.....	.2000	143. 0	(1)	1.2500	148. 8	(1)	.....	.6400	172. 8	(1)
April.....	.2000	143. 0	(1)	1.2500	148. 8	(1)	.....	.6400	172. 8	(1)
May.....	.2000	143. 0	(1)	1.2500	148. 8	(1)	.....	.7100	191. 7	+10. 9
June.....	.2000	143. 0	(1)	1.2500	148. 8	(1)	.....	.7100	191. 7	(1)
July.....	.2050	146. 5	+ 2. 5	1.5000	178. 6	+20. 0	.....	.7100	191. 7	(1)
August.....	.2200	157. 3	+ 7. 3	1.5000	178. 6	(1)	.....	.7100	191. 7	(1)
September.....	.2400	171. 6	+ 9. 1	1.5000	178. 6	(1)	.....	.7400	199. 8	+ 4. 2
October.....	.2600	185. 8	+ 8. 3	1.5000	178. 6	(1)	.....	.8400	226. 8	+13. 5
November.....	.2800	200. 1	+ 7. 7	1.5000	178. 6	(1)	.....	.9000	243. 0	+ 7. 1
December.....	.3000	244. 4	+ 7. 1	1.5000	178. 6	(1)	.....	.9300	251. 1	+ 3. 3

1 Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Boots and shoes: men's.								
	Brogans, split, average price per pair.	Seamless Creedmores, average price per pair.	Split seamless Creedmores, ½-double sole, average price per pair.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Calf bal., Good-year welt, dongola top, average price per pair.	Vici calf, Good-year welt, blucher, average price per pair.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.9894</b>			<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$2.3760</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890	1.0500			106.1		2.4000		101.0	
1891	1.0500			106.1	(1)	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1892	1.0375			104.9	- 1.2	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1893	1.0125			102.3	- 2.4	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1894	.9688			97.9	- 4.3	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1895	.9813			99.2	+ 1.3	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1896	.9938			100.4	+ 1.3	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1897	.9500			96.0	- 4.4	2.4000		101.0	(1)
1898	.9125			92.2	- 3.9	2.3200		97.6	- 3.3
1899	.9375			94.8	+ 2.7	2.2400		94.3	- 3.4
1900	.9375			94.8	(1)	2.2400		94.3	(1)
1901	.9438			95.4	+ .7	2.3000		96.8	+ 2.7
1902	.9313			94.1	- 1.3	2.3000		96.8	(1)
1903	.9250			93.5	- .7	2.3500		98.9	+ 2.2
1904	.9250			93.5	(1)	2.3500		98.9	(1)
1905	1.0042			101.5	+ 8.6	2.3750	\$2.5700	100.0	+ 1.1
1906	1.2542			126.8	+24.9		2.7750	108.0	+ 8.0
1907	1.2729			128.7	+ 1.5		2.8000	109.0	+ .9
1908	1.1354			114.8	-10.8		2.8000	109.0	(1)
1909	1.2000			121.3	+ 5.7		2.9500	114.8	+ 5.4
1910	1.1375	\$1.1000		115.0	- 5.2		3.0170	117.4	+ 2.3
1911		1.0625		111.1	- 3.4		3.0000	116.7	- .6
1912		1.2313		128.8	+15.9		3.0580	119.0	+ 1.9
1913		1.3854	\$1.1123	144.9	+12.5		3.1130	121.1	+ 1.8
1914			1.1515	150.0	+ 3.5		3.1750	123.5	+ 2.0
1915			1.2651	164.9	+ 9.9		3.2542	126.6	+ 2.5
1916			1.3219	172.2	+ 4.5		3.7125	144.5	+14.1
<b>1916.</b>									
January			1.2690	165.3	(1)		3.3500	130.4	+ 1.5
February			1.2690	165.3	(1)		3.4000	132.3	+ 1.5
March			1.2925	168.4	+ 1.9		3.4500	134.2	+ 1.5
April			1.2925	168.4	(1)		3.5000	136.2	+ 1.4
May			1.2925	168.4	(1)		3.6000	140.1	+ 2.9
June			1.2925	168.4	(1)		3.7500	145.9	+ 4.2
July			1.2925	168.4	(1)		3.7500	145.9	(1)
August			1.3160	171.4	1.8		3.7500	145.9	(1)
September			1.3160	171.4	(1)		3.7500	145.9	(1)
October			1.3630	177.6	+ 3.6		4.0000	155.6	+ 6.7
November			1.4100	183.7	+ 3.4		4.0000	155.6	(1)
December			1.4570	189.8	+ 3.3		4.2500	165.4	+ 6.3

<sup>1</sup>Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Boots and shoes: men's.									
	Gun metal: Goodyear welt, blucher.			Gun metal: Goodyear welt, button.			Vici kid: Goodyear welt.			
	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>							<b>\$2.3000</b>	<b>100.0</b>		
1890							2.5000	108.7		
1891							2.5000	108.7	(1)	
1892							2.5000	108.7	(1)	
1893							2.5000	108.7	(1)	
1894							2.5000	108.7	(1)	
1895							2.2500	97.8	-10.0	
1896							2.2500	97.8	(1)	
1897							2.0000	87.0	-11.1	
1898							2.0000	87.0	(1)	
1899							2.0000	87.0	(1)	
1900							2.0000	87.0	(1)	
1901							2.0000	87.0	(1)	
1902							2.0000	87.0	(1)	
1903							2.0000	87.0	(1)	
1904							2.0083	87.3	+ .4	
1905							2.1958	95.5	+ 9.3	
1906							2.3792	103.4	+ 8.4	
1907							2.5000	108.7	+ 5.1	
1908							2.5000	108.7	(1)	
1909							2.6000	113.0	+ 4.0	
1910							2.6000	113.0	(1)	
1911							2.6167	113.8	+ .6	
1912							2.7333	118.8	+ 4.5	
1913	\$1.9550	(2)		\$2.6321	(2)		2.8667	124.6	+ 4.9	
1914	2.1208	(2)	+ 8.5	2.7729	(2)	+ 5.3	2.9833	129.7	+ 4.1	
1915	2.2500	(2)	+ 6.1	2.9000	(2)	+ 4.6	3.1042	135.0	+ 4.1	
1916	2.6750	(2)	+18.9	3.4042	(2)	+17.4	3.5042	152.4	+12.9	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	2.3000	(2)	+ 2.2	2.9500	(2)	+ 1.7	3.2500	141.3	(1)	
February	2.3500	(2)	+ 2.2	3.0000	(2)	+ 1.7	3.2500	141.3	(1)	
March	2.4000	(2)	+ 2.1	3.0500	(2)	+ 1.7	3.3500	145.7	+ 3.1	
April	2.4500	(2)	+ 2.1	3.1000	(2)	+ 1.6	3.3500	145.7	(1)	
May	2.5000	(2)	+ 2.0	3.1500	(2)	+ 1.6	3.4000	147.8	+ 1.5	
June	2.5500	(2)	+ 2.0	3.2000	(2)	+ 1.6	3.5000	152.2	+ 2.9	
July	2.6500	(2)	+ 3.9	3.3500	(2)	+ 4.7	3.5000	152.2	(1)	
August	2.7500	(2)	+ 3.8	3.5000	(2)	+ 4.5	3.5000	152.2	(1)	
September	2.8500	(2)	+ 3.6	3.6500	(2)	+ 4.3	3.6000	156.5	+ 2.9	
October	2.9500	(2)	+ 3.5	3.8000	(2)	+ 4.1	3.7000	160.9	+ 2.8	
November	3.1000	(2)	+ 5.1	3.9500	(2)	+ 3.9	3.7500	163.0	+ 1.4	
December	3.2500	(2)	+ 4.8	4.1500	(2)	+ 5.1	3.9000	169.6	+ 4.0	

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Boots and shoes: women's.									
	Gun metal: Goodyear welt, button.			Patent leather: pump, McKay sewed.			Solid grain, average price per pair.	Gun metal, McKay sewed, button, average price per pair.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>										
1890						.8500		104.0		
1891						.8000		97.9	- 5.9	
1892						.7750		94.8	- 3.1	
1893						.7500		91.7	- 3.2	
1894						.7500		91.7	(1)	
1895						.8500		104.0	+13.3	
1896						.8500		104.0	(1)	
1897						.8500		104.0	(1)	
1898						.8500		104.0	(1)	
1899						.8500		104.0	(1)	
1900						.9042		110.6	+ 6.4	
1901						.8542		104.5	- 5.5	
1902						.8625		105.5	+ 1.0	
1903						.8875		108.6	+ 2.9	
1904						.9183		112.3	+ 3.5	
1905						.9771		119.5	+ 6.4	
1906						1.0313		126.2	+ 5.5	
1907						1.0063		123.1	- 2.4	
1908						.9688		118.5	- 3.7	
1909						1.0396		127.2	+ 7.3	
1910						1.0229		125.1	- 1.6	
1911						1.0167		124.4	- .6	
1912						1.0896		133.3	+ 7.2	
1913	\$2.1750	(2)		\$1.3750	(2)		\$1.6588	140.7	+ 5.5	
1914	2.2746	(2)	+ 4.6	1.4583	(2)	+ 6.1	1.7413	147.7	+ 5.0	
1915	2.3500	(2)	+ 3.3	1.5000	(2)	+ 2.9	1.8500	156.9	+ 6.2	
1916	2.7625	(2)	+17.6	1.9083	(2)	+27.2	2.3333	197.9	+26.1	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	2.4000	(2)	+ 2.1	1.5500	(2)	+ 3.3	1.9000	161.2	+ 2.7	
February	2.4500	(2)	+ 2.1	1.6000	(2)	+ 3.2	1.9500	165.4	+ 2.6	
March	2.5000	(2)	+ 2.0	1.7000	(2)	+ 6.3	2.0000	169.6	+ 2.6	
April	2.5500	(2)	+ 2.0	1.7500	(2)	+ 2.9	2.0500	173.9	+ 2.5	
May	2.6000	(2)	+ 2.0	1.8000	(2)	+ 2.9	2.1000	178.1	+ 2.4	
June	2.6500	(2)	+ 1.9	1.8500	(2)	+ 2.8	2.1500	182.4	+ 2.4	
July	2.7500	(2)	+ 3.8	1.9000	(2)	+ 2.7	2.3500	199.3	+ 9.3	
August	2.8500	(2)	+ 3.6	1.9500	(2)	+ 2.6	2.4000	203.6	+ 2.1	
September	2.9500	(2)	+ 3.5	2.0500	(2)	+ 5.1	2.5500	216.3	+ 6.3	
October	3.0500	(2)	+ 3.4	2.1500	(2)	+ 4.9	2.7000	229.0	+ 5.9	
November	3.1500	(2)	+ 3.3	2.2500	(2)	+ 4.7	2.8500	241.7	+ 5.6	
December	3.2500	(2)	+ 3.2	2.3500	(2)	+ 4.4	3.0000	254.5	+ 5.3	

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Broadcloth: first quality, black, 54-inch, XXX wool.			Calico.				Carpets: Brussels, 5-frame, Bigelow.		
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Cocheco prints, average price per yard.	American standard prints, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
Average, 1890-1899	\$1.7320	100.0	.....	\$0.0553	.....	100.0	.....	\$1.0008	100.0	.....
1890	1.9700	113.7	.....	.0650	.....	117.5	.....	1.0320	103.1	.....
1891	1.9700	113.7	(1)	.0575	.....	104.0	-11.5	1.1280	112.7	+ 9.3
1892	1.9700	113.7	(1)	.0650	.....	117.5	+13.0	1.0320	103.1	- 8.5
1893	1.9700	113.7	(1)	.0625	.....	113.0	- 3.8	.9840	98.3	- 4.7
1894	1.5800	91.2	-19.8	.0550	.....	99.5	-12.0	.9360	93.5	- 4.9
1895	1.3800	79.7	-12.7	.0525	.....	94.9	- 4.5	.9360	93.5	(1)
1896	1.3800	79.7	(1)	.0525	.....	94.9	(1)	.9360	93.5	(1)
1897	1.7000	98.2	+23.2	.0500	.....	90.4	- 4.8	.9600	95.9	+ 2.6
1898	1.7000	98.2	(1)	.0450	.....	81.4	-10.0	1.0320	103.1	+ 7.5
1899	1.7000	98.2	(1)	.0483	.....	87.3	+ 7.3	1.0320	103.1	(1)
1900	1.8700	108.0	+10.0	.0525	.....	94.9	+ 8.7	1.0320	103.1	(1)
1901	1.9100	110.3	+ 2.1	.0500	.....	90.4	- 4.8	1.0320	103.1	(1)
1902	1.9100	110.3	(1)	.0500	.....	90.4	(1)	1.0300	103.5	+ .4
1903	1.9100	110.3	(1)	.0504	.....	91.1	+ .8	1.0880	108.7	+ 5.0
1904	1.9140	110.5	+ .2	.0529	.....	95.7	+ 5.0	1.1040	110.3	+ 1.5
1905	1.9950	115.2	+ 4.2	.0517	.....	93.5	- 2.3	1.1520	115.1	+ 4.3
1906	2.0200	116.6	+ 1.3	.0550	\$0.0495	99.5	+ 6.4	1.1800	117.9	+ 2.4
1907	2.0200	116.6	(1)	.0602	.....	121.0	+21.6	1.2480	124.7	+ 5.8
1908	2.0030	115.6	- .8	.0519	.....	104.3	-13.8	1.2000	119.9	- 3.8
1909	2.0200	116.6	+ .8	.0483	.....	97.1	- 6.9	1.1920	119.1	- .7
1910	2.0400	117.8	+ 1.0	.0531	.....	106.8	+ 9.9	1.2000	119.9	+ .7
1911	2.0200	116.6	- 1.0	.0499	.....	100.4	- 6.0	1.2000	119.9	(1)
1912	2.0780	120.0	+ 2.9	.0499	.....	100.4	(1)	1.2400	123.9	+ 3.3
1913	2.0200	116.6	- 2.8	.0511	.....	102.8	+ 2.4	1.2920	129.1	+ 4.2
1914	2.0200	116.6	(1)	.0493	.....	99.2	- 3.5	1.2680	126.6	- 1.9
1915	2.0430	118.0	+ 1.2	.0487	.....	98.0	- 1.2	1.2960	129.5	+ 2.2
1916	3.0083	173.7	+47.2	.0636	.....	127.8	+30.6	1.5440	154.3	+19.1
<b>1916.</b>										
January	2.5500	147.2	+17.0	.0558	.....	112.2	+ 6.7	1.4160	141.5	+ 5.4
February	2.5500	147.2	(1)	.0582	.....	117.0	+ 4.3	1.4160	141.5	(1)
March	3.1000	179.0	+21.6	.0582	.....	117.0	(1)	1.4400	143.9	+ 1.7
April	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0582	.....	117.0	(1)	1.4400	143.9	(1)
May	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0618	.....	124.2	+ 6.2	1.5360	153.5	+ 6.7
June	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0618	.....	124.2	(1)	1.5360	153.5	(1)
July	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0618	.....	124.2	(1)	1.6080	160.7	+ 4.7
August	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0618	.....	124.2	(1)	1.6080	160.7	(1)
September	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0642	.....	129.0	+ 3.9	1.6080	160.7	(1)
October	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0725	.....	145.7	+12.9	1.6080	160.7	(1)
November	3.1000	179.0	(1)	.0725	.....	145.7	(1)	1.6560	165.5	+ 3.0
December	1.3000	179.0	(1)	.0772	.....	155.2	+ 6.5	1.6560	165.5	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Carpets.						Cotton flannels: 2½ yards to the pound.			
	Ingrain, 2-ply, Lowell, average price per yard.	Axminster, Lowell, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Wilton: 5-frame, Bigelow.			Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
					Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.			
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0.4752</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$1.8432</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.0706</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890	.5160		108.6		1.9200	104.2		.0875	123.9	
1891	.5520		116.2	+ 0.7	2.0160	109.4	+ 5.0	.0875	123.9	(1)
1892	.5040		106.1	- 8.7	1.9200	104.2	- 4.8	.0838	118.7	- 4.2
1893	.5280		111.1	+ 4.8	1.9200	104.2	(1)	.0725	102.7	-13.5
1894	.4680		98.5	-11.4	1.9200	104.2	(1)	.0675	95.6	- 6.9
1895	.4200		88.4	-10.3	1.6800	91.1	-12.5	.0650	92.1	- 3.7
1896	.4080		85.9	- 2.9	1.6800	91.1	(1)	.0650	92.1	(1)
1897	.4320		90.9	+ 5.9	1.7280	93.8	+ 2.9	.0575	81.4	-11.5
1898	.4680		98.5	+ 8.3	1.8240	99.0	+ 5.6	.0575	81.4	(1)
1899	.4560		96.0	- 2.6	1.8240	99.0	(1)	.0619	87.7	+ 7.7
1900	.4920		103.5	+ 7.9	1.8720	101.6	+ 2.6	.0738	104.5	+19.2
1901	.4800		101.0	- 2.4	1.8720	101.6	(1)	.0640	90.7	-13.3
1902	.4840		101.9	+ .8	1.8840	102.2	+ .6	.0650	92.1	+ 1.6
1903	.5136		108.1	+ 6.1	2.0080	108.9	+ 6.6	.0735	104.1	+13.1
1904	.5184		109.1	+ .9	2.0400	110.7	+ 1.6	.0885	125.4	+20.4
1905	.5520		116.2	+ 6.5	2.1360	115.9	+ 4.7	.0854	121.0	- 3.5
1906	.5520		116.2	(1)	2.1920	118.9	+ 2.6	.0923	130.7	+ 8.1
1907	.5760		121.2	+ 4.3	2.2800	123.7	+ 4.0	.0988	139.9	+ 7.0
1908	.5540		116.6	- 3.8	2.2160	120.2	- 2.8	.0829	117.4	-16.1
1909	.5280		111.1	- 4.7	2.2160	120.2	(1)	.0754	106.8	- 9.0
1910	.5280		111.1	(1)	2.2320	121.1	+ .7	.0900	127.5	+19.4
1911	.5280		111.1	(1)	2.2320	121.1	(1)	.1000	141.6	+11.1
1912	.5800	\$1.0240	122.1	+ 9.8	2.3120	125.4	+ 3.6	.1004	142.2	+ .4
1913	1.0760		128.3	+ 5.1	2.4080	130.6	+ 4.2	.1013	143.5	+ .9
1914	1.0520		125.5	- 2.2	2.3320	126.4	- 3.2	.1017	144.1	+ .4
1915	1.0840		129.3	+ 3.0	2.4290	131.8	+ 4.2	.0825	116.9	-18.9
1916	1.3720		163.6	+26.6	2.8800	156.3	+18.6	.1192	168.8	+44.5
<b>1916.</b>										
January	1.2480		148.8	+ 8.3	2.6400	143.2	+ 5.8	.1075	152.3	+19.4
February	1.2480		148.8	(1)	2.6400	143.2	(1)	.1075	152.3	(1)
March	1.2480		148.8	(1)	2.7360	148.4	+ 3.6	.1075	152.3	(1)
April	1.2480		148.8	(1)	2.7360	148.4	(1)	.1125	159.3	+ 4.7
May	1.3440		160.3	+ 7.7	2.8800	156.3	+ 5.3	.1125	159.3	(1)
June	1.3440		160.3	(1)	2.8800	156.3	(1)	.1125	159.3	(1)
July	1.4400		171.7	+ 7.1	2.9280	158.9	+ 1.7	.1125	159.3	(1)
August	1.4400		171.7	(1)	2.9280	158.9	(1)	.1150	162.9	+ 2.2
September	1.4400		171.7	(1)	2.9280	158.9	(1)	.1175	166.4	+ 2.2
October	1.4400		171.7	(1)	2.9280	158.9	(1)	.1325	187.7	+12.8
November	1.5120		180.3	+ 5.0	3.1680	171.9	+ 8.2	.1350	191.2	+ 1.9
December	1.5120		180.3	(1)	3.1680	171.9	(1)	.1575	223.1	+16.7

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Cotton flannels: 3½ yards to the pound.			Cotton thread: 6-cord, 200-yard spools, J. & P. Coats, freight paid.			Cotton yarns: carded, white, mule-spun, northern, cones, 10/1.		
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per spool.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0575</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.0310</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.1608</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.0688	119.7		.0315	101.6		1.1790	111.3	
1891.....	.0688	119.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0312	100.7	- 0.9	1.1794	111.6	+ 0.2
1892.....	.0650	113.0	- 5.5	.0312	100.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	1.1885	117.2	+ 5.1
1893.....	.0575	100.0	-11.5	.0312	100.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1808	112.4	- 4.1
1894.....	.0550	95.7	- 4.3	.0312	100.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1523	94.7	-15.8
1895.....	.0525	91.3	- 4.5	.0312	100.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1477	91.9	- 3.0
1896.....	.0550	95.7	+ 4.8	.0309	99.6	- 1.2	.1483	92.2	+ .4
1897.....	.0550	95.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0305	98.4	- 1.2	.1452	90.3	- 2.1
1898.....	.0463	80.5	-15.8	.0305	98.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1456	90.5	+ .3
1899.....	.0508	88.3	+ 9.7	.0305	98.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1408	87.6	- 3.3
1900.....	.0567	98.6	+11.6	.0372	120.1	+22.1	.1850	115.0	+31.3
1901.....	.0575	100.0	+ 1.4	.0372	120.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1585	98.6	-14.3
1902.....	.0575	100.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0372	120.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1538	95.6	- 3.0
1903.....	.0629	109.4	+ 9.4	.0372	120.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1869	116.2	+21.5
1904.....	.0723	125.7	+14.9	.0372	120.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1981	123.2	+ 6.0
1905.....	.0681	118.4	- 5.8	.0372	120.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1733	107.8	-12.5
1906.....	.0723	125.7	+ 6.2	.0372	120.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2004	124.6	+15.6
1907.....	.0800	139.1	+10.7	.0418	134.8	+12.3	.2204	137.1	+10.0
1908.....	.0696	121.0	-13.0	.0408	131.7	- 2.3	.1777	110.5	-19.4
1909.....	.0633	110.1	- 9.1	.0392	126.4	- 4.0	.1967	122.3	+10.7
1910.....	.0750	130.4	+18.5	.0392	126.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2333	138.9	+18.6
1911.....	.0763	132.7	+ 1.7	.0392	126.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2104	130.8	- 9.8
1912.....	.0754	131.1	- 1.2	.0392	126.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2010	125.0	- 4.5
1913.....	.0792	137.7	+ 5.0	.3092	126.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2213	137.6	+10.1
1914.....	.0775	134.8	- 2.1	.0375	121.1	- 4.2	.1967	122.3	-11.1
1915.....	.0681	118.4	-12.1	.0359	115.8	- 4.3	.1727	107.4	-12.2
1916.....	.0857	149.0	+25.8	.0367	118.4	+ 2.2	.2646	164.6	+53.2
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.0788	137.0	+12.6	.0359	115.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2100	130.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
February.....	.0788	137.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0359	115.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2250	139.9	+ 7.1
March.....	.0788	137.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0359	115.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2200	136.8	- 2.2
April.....	.0788	137.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0359	115.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2250	139.9	+ 2.3
May.....	.0813	141.4	+ 3.2	.0359	115.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2425	150.8	+ 7.8
June.....	.0813	141.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0359	115.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2500	155.5	+ 3.1
July.....	.0813	141.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0369	119.0	+ 2.8	.2525	157.0	+ 1.0
August.....	.0838	145.7	+ 3.1	.0369	119.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2575	160.1	+ 2.0
September.....	.0838	145.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0369	119.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2750	171.0	+ 6.8
October.....	.1000	173.9	+19.3	.0369	119.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	.3000	186.6	+ 9.1
November.....	.1000	173.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0385	124.2	+4.3	.3325	208.8	+10.8
December.....	.1025	178.3	+ 2.5	.0385	124.2	( <sup>2</sup> )	.3850	239.4	+15.8

<sup>1</sup> Records destroyed. Price estimated by person who furnished data for later years.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Cotton yarns: carded, white, mule - spun, northern, cones, 22/1.			Denims.			Drillings: brown, Peppereil.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Amoskeag, average price per yard.	Massachusetts, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.1969</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.1044</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.0572</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	1.2208	112.1		.1175		112.5		.0683	119.4	
1891.....	1.2244	114.0	+ 1.6	.1144		109.6	- 2.6	.0652	114.0	- 4.5
1892.....	1.2300	116.8	+ 2.5	.1144		109.6	(?)	.0582	101.7	-10.7
1893.....	.2138	108.6	- 7.0	.1175		112.5	+ 2.7	.0590	103.1	+ 1.4
1894.....	.1796	91.2	-16.0	.1100		105.4	- 6.4	.0559	97.7	- 5.3
1895.....	.1815	92.2	+ 1.1	.0988		94.6	-10.2	.0529	92.5	- 5.4
1896.....	.1844	93.7	+ 1.6	.0988		94.6	(?)	.0573	100.2	+ 8.3
1897.....	.1788	90.8	- 3.0	.0931		89.2	- 5.8	.0525	91.8	- 8.4
1898.....	.1792	91.0	+ .2	.0897		85.9	- 3.7	.0513	89.7	- 2.3
1899.....	.1760	89.4	- 1.8	.0896		85.8	- .1	.0510	89.2	- .6
1900.....	.2283	115.9	+29.7	.1073		102.8	+19.8	.0606	105.9	+18.8
1901.....	.1927	97.9	-15.6	.1046		100.2	- 2.5	.0585	102.3	- 3.5
1902.....	.1819	92.4	- 5.6	.1050		100.6	+ .4	.0575	100.5	- 1.7
1903.....	.2156	109.5	+18.5	.1127		108.0	+ 7.3	.0619	108.2	+ 7.7
1904.....	.2279	115.7	+ 5.7	.1217		116.6	+ 8.0	.0727	127.1	+17.4
1905.....	.2038	103.5	-10.6	.1083		103.7	+11.0	.0721	126.0	- .8
1906.....	.2304	117.0	+13.1	.1253		118.1	+13.9	.0775	135.5	+ 7.5
1907.....	.2571	130.6	+11.6	.1381		132.3	+12.0	.0825	144.2	+ 6.5
1908.....	.2104	106.9	-18.2	.1160		111.1	-16.0	.0706	123.4	-14.4
1909.....	.2260	114.8	+ 7.4	.1252		119.9	+ 7.9	.0738	129.0	+ 4.5
1910.....	.2519	127.9	+11.5	.1450		138.9	+15.8	.0825	144.2	+11.8
1911.....	.2346	119.1	- 6.9	.1377		131.9	- 5.0	.0823	143.9	- .2
1912.....	.2283	115.9	- 2.7	.1356		129.9	- 1.5	.0802	140.2	- 2.6
1913.....	.2475	125.7	+ 8.4	.1417		135.7	+ 4.5	.0823	143.9	+ 2.6
1914.....	.2179	110.6	-12.0	.1400		134.1	- 1.2	.0789	138.0	- 4.1
1915.....	.1981	100.6	- 9.1	.1642	\$0.1490	157.3	+17.3	.0694	121.3	-12.0
1916.....	.2971	150.9	+50.0		.2283	241.0	+53.2	.0917	160.3	+32.1
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.2550	129.5	+ 6.3		.2000	211.1	+ 2.6	.0800	139.9	+ 6.7
February.....	.2550	129.5	(?)		.2200	232.3	+10.0	.0800	139.9	(?)
March.....	.2525	128.2	- 1.0		.2200	232.3	(?)	.0825	144.2	+ 3.1
April.....	.2675	135.9	+ 5.9		.2200	232.3	(?)	.0825	144.2	(?)
May.....	.2725	138.4	+ 1.9		.2200	232.3	(?)	.0850	148.6	+ 3.0
June.....	.2800	142.2	+ 2.8		.2300	242.8	+ 4.5	.0875	153.0	+ 2.9
July.....	.2825	143.5	+ .9		.2300	242.8	(?)	.0875	153.0	(?)
August.....	.2875	146.0	+ 1.8		.2300	242.8	(?)	.0875	153.0	(?)
September.....	.3050	154.9	+ 6.1		.2300	242.8	(?)	.0900	157.3	+ 2.9
October.....	.3300	167.6	+ 8.2		.2400	253.4	+ 4.3	.0975	170.5	+ 8.3
November.....	.3625	184.1	+ 9.8		.2500	263.9	+ 4.2	.1150	201.0	+17.9
December.....	.4150	210.8	+14.5		.2500	263.9	(?)	.1250	218.5	+ 8.7

<sup>1</sup> Records destroyed. Price estimated by person who furnished data for later years.  
<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Drillings: brown, Massachusetts D standard.			Flannels: all wool white, 4-4 Ballard Vale, No. 3.			Ginghams: Amoskeag.			
	Stark A., average price per yard.	Massachusetts D standard, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$.0521</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.3768</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.0533</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890	.0640		122.8		.4400	116.8		.0625	117.3	
1891	.0600		115.2	- 6.3	.4400	116.8	(1)	.0650	122.0	+ 4.0
1892	.0535		102.7	-10.8	.4367	115.9	- 0.8	.0650	122.0	(1)
1893	.0563		108.1	+ 5.2	.4125	109.5	- 5.5	.0631	118.4	- 2.9
1894	.0502		96.4	-10.8	.3546	94.1	-14.0	.0485	91.0	-23.1
1895	.0489		93.9	- 2.6	.3080	81.7	-13.1	.0466	87.4	- 3.9
1896	.0522		100.2	+ 6.7	.3217	85.4	+ 4.4	.0472	88.6	+ 1.3
1897	.0463		88.9	-11.3	.3113	82.6	- 3.2	.0438	82.2	- 7.2
1898	.0437		83.9	- 5.6	.3685	97.8	+18.4	.0431	80.9	- 1.6
1899	.0457		87.7	+ 4.6	.3750	99.5	+ 1.8	.0477	89.5	+10.7
1900	.0542		104.0	+18.6	.4096	108.7	+ 9.2	.0515	96.6	+ 8.0
1901	.0532		102.1	- 1.8	.3900	100.8	- 7.2	.0490	91.9	- 4.9
1902	.0539		103.5	+ 1.3	.3986	105.8	+ 4.9	.0523	98.1	+ 6.7
1903	.0581		111.5	+ 7.8	.4306	114.3	+ 8.0	.0550	103.2	+ 5.2
1904	.0658		126.3	+13.3	.4433	117.6	+ 2.9	.0548	102.8	- .4
1905	.0633		121.5	- 3.8	.4461	118.4	+ .6	.0515	96.6	- 6.0
1906	.0740		142.0	+16.9	.4613	122.4	+ 3.4	.0565	106.0	+ 9.7
1907	.0782		150.1	+ 5.7	.4638	123.1	+ .5	.0658	123.5	+16.5
1908	.0718		137.8	- 8.2	.4611	122.4	- .6	.0548	102.8	-16.7
1909	.0786		150.9	+ 9.5	.4594	121.9	- .4	.0588	110.3	+ 7.3
1910	.0857	\$.0816	164.5	+ 9.0	.4655	123.5	+ 1.3	.0700	131.3	+19.0
1911	.0810		163.3	- .7	.4300	114.1	- 7.6	.0681	127.8	- 2.7
1912	.0790		159.3	- 2.5	.4519	119.9	+ 5.1	.0625	117.3	- 8.2
1913	.0827		166.8	+ 4.7	.4635	123.0	+ 2.6	.0650	122.0	+ 4.0
1914	.0766		154.5	- 7.4	.4547	120.7	- 1.9	.0625	117.3	- 3.8
1915	.0663		133.8	-13.4	.4748	126.0	+ 4.4	.0638	119.7	+ 2.1
1916	.0950		191.5	+43.3	.5154	136.8	+ 8.6	.0813	152.5	+27.4
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.0800		161.3	(1)	.4818	127.9	(1)	.0750	140.7	+11.1
February	.0800		161.3	(1)	.4818	127.9	(1)	.0750	140.7	(1)
March	.0825		166.3	+ 3.1	.4900	130.0	+ 1.7	.0800	150.1	+ 6.7
April	.0850		171.4	+ 3.0	.4900	130.0	(1)	.0800	150.1	(1)
May	.0875		176.4	+ 2.9	.4900	130.0	(1)	.0800	150.1	(1)
June	.0875		176.4	(1)	.5162	137.0	+ 5.3	.0800	150.1	(1)
July	.0900		181.4	+ 2.9	.5162	137.0	(1)	.0800	150.1	(1)
August	.0925		186.5	+ 2.8	.5162	137.0	(1)	.0800	150.1	(1)
September	.1000		201.6	+ 8.1	.5162	137.0	(1)	.0800	150.1	(1)
October	.1100		221.8	+10.0	.5420	143.8	+ 5.0	.0850	159.5	+ 6.3
November	.1200		241.9	+ 9.1	.5420	143.8	(1)	.0900	168.9	+ 5.9
December	.1250		252.0	+ 4.2	.6020	159.8	+11.1	.0900	168.9	(1)

(1) Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Ginghams: Lancaster.			Horse blankets: all wool, 6 pounds each.			Hosiery: men's cotton half hose, seamless, fast black, 20 to 22 ounce, 160 needles.			
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Two-thread, average price per dozen pairs, September price.	Single-thread, average price per dozen pairs, September price.	Single-thread, carded yarn, average price per dozen pairs.	Relative price.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0. 0573</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$0. 5730</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$0. 9555</b>	.....	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890	.0692	120. 8	.....	.6250	109. 1	.....	1. 2740	.....	133. 3	.....
1891	.0790	122. 2	+ 1. 2	.6000	104. 7	- 4. 0	1. 1760	.....	123. 1	- 7. 7
1892	.0790	122. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.6250	109. 1	+ 4. 2	1. 0780	.....	112. 8	- 8. 3
1893	.0638	111. 3	- 8. 9	.6000	104. 7	- 4. 0	1. 0535	.....	110. 3	- 2. 3
1894	.0504	88. 0	-21. 0	.5500	96. 0	- 8. 3	.9800	.....	102. 6	- 7. 0
1895	.0496	86. 6	- 1. 6	.5300	92. 5	- 3. 6	.9065	.....	94. 9	- 7. 5
1896	.0500	87. 3	+ . 8	.5200	90. 8	- 1. 9	.8330	.....	87. 2	- 8. 1
1897	.0494	86. 2	- 1. 2	.5700	99. 5	+ 9. 6	.7840	.....	82. 1	- 5. 9
1898	.0488	85. 2	- 1. 2	.5700	99. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.7350	.....	76. 9	- 6. 3
1899	.0515	89. 9	+ 5. 5	.5400	94. 2	- 5. 3	.7350	.....	76. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )
1900	.0550	96. 0	+ 6. 8	.6800	118. 7	+25. 9	.7840	.....	82. 1	+ 6. 7
1901	.0531	92. 7	- 3. 5	.6300	109. 9	- 7. 4	.6860	.....	71. 8	-12. 5
1902	.0575	100. 3	+ 8. 3	.6300	109. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.7350	.....	76. 9	+ 7. 1
1903	.0575	100. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.6750	117. 8	+ 7. 1	.7840	\$0. 6370	82. 1	+ 6. 7
1904	.0556	97. 0	- 3. 3	.7000	122. 2	+ 3. 7	.....	.6370	82. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )
1905	.0517	90. 2	- 7. 0	.7500	130. 9	+ 7. 1	.....	.6370	82. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )
1906	.0592	103. 3	+14. 5	.7750	135. 3	+ 3. 3	.....	.6815	85. 3	+ 3. 8
1907	.0690	120. 4	+16. 6	.7500	130. 9	- 3. 2	.....	.7350	\$0. 8000	+11. 1
1908	.0573	100. 0	-17. 0	.7250	126. 5	- 3. 3	.....	.7500	88. 9	- 6. 3
1909	.0596	104. 0	+ 4. 0	.7250	126. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.8104	96. 1	+ 8. 1
1910	.0660	115. 2	+10. 7	.7750	135. 3	+ 6. 9	.....	.8042	95. 4	- . 8
1911	.0646	112. 7	- 2. 1	.7500	130. 9	- 3. 2	.....	.8000	94. 9	- . 5
1912	.0600	104. 7	- 7. 1	.7750	135. 3	+ 3. 3	.....	.8292	98. 4	+ 3. 7
1913	.0618	107. 9	+ 3. 0	.7880	137. 5	+ 1. 7	.....	.8579	101. 8	+ 3. 5
1914	.0597	104. 2	- 3. 4	.7167	125. 1	- 9. 0	.....	.8467	100. 5	- 1. 3
1915	.0594	103. 7	- . 5	.8250	144. 0	+15. 1	.....	.8750	103. 8	+ 3. 3
1916	.0744	129. 8	+25. 3	.9750	170. 2	+18. 2	.....	1. 1042	130. 8	+26. 2
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.0650	113. 4	+ 4. 0	.8500	148. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 0000	118. 5	+11. 1
February	.0700	122. 2	+ 7. 7	.8500	148. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 0000	118. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )
March	.0700	122. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.8500	148. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 0000	118. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )
April	.0750	130. 9	+ 7. 1	.8500	148. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 0000	118. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )
May	.0750	130. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.8500	148. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 0500	124. 4	+ 5. 0
June	.0750	130. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.8500	148. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 0500	124. 4	( <sup>1</sup> )
July	.0750	130. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	1. 1000	192. 0	+29. 4	.....	1. 0500	124. 4	( <sup>1</sup> )
August	.0750	130. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	1. 1000	192. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 1000	130. 4	+ 4. 8
September	.0750	130. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	1. 1000	192. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 1500	136. 3	+ 4. 5
October	.0750	130. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	1. 1000	192. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 2500	148. 1	+ 8. 7
November	.0788	137. 5	+ 5. 1	1. 1000	192. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 3000	154. 1	+ 4. 0
December	.0838	146. 2	+ 6. 3	1. 1000	192. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	1. 3000	154. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.						
	Hosiery.						
	Women's cotton hose: full-fashioned, combed yarn.			Women's cotton hose: seamless, single thread, carded yarn.			
	Average price per dozen pairs.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	26 to 28 ounce, 160 to 176 needles, average price per dozen pairs, September price.	26-ounce, 176 needles, average price per dozen pairs.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899 . . .</b>	<b>\$1.8500</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.9310</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890 . . . . .				1.2250		131.6	
1891 . . . . .				1.1270		121.1	- 8.0
1892 . . . . .				1.0780		115.8	- 4.3
1893 . . . . .	1.9000	102.7		1.0535		113.2	- 2.3
1894 . . . . .	1.9000	102.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.9800		105.3	- 7.0
1895 . . . . .	1.8750	101.4	- 1.3	.8575		92.1	-12.5
1896 . . . . .	1.8750	101.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	.7840		84.2	- 8.6
1897 . . . . .	1.8500	100.0	- 1.3	.7595		81.6	- 3.1
1898 . . . . .	1.8000	97.3	- 2.7	.7105		76.3	- 6.5
1899 . . . . .	1.7500	94.6	✓ 2.8	.7350		78.6	+ 3.4
1900 . . . . .	1.9000	102.7	+ 8.6	.7595		81.6	+ 3.3
1901 . . . . .	2.0000	108.1	+ 5.3	.6615		71.1	-12.9
1902 . . . . .	1.8500	100.0	- 7.5	.7350		78.9	+11.1
1903 . . . . .	1.8750	101.4	+ 1.4	.8085		86.8	+10.0
1904 . . . . .	1.8000	97.3	- 4.0	.7595		81.6	- 6.1
1905 . . . . .	1.7500	94.6	- 2.8	.7840		84.2	+ 3.2
1906 . . . . .	1.9000	102.7	+ 3.6	.7595		81.6	- 3.1
1907 . . . . .	2.0250	109.5	+ 6.6	.8330	\$0.8500	89.5	+ 9.7
1908 . . . . .	1.7750	95.9	-12.3		.8000	84.2	- 5.9
1909 . . . . .	1.7750	95.9	( <sup>2</sup> )		.8104	85.3	+ 1.3
1910 . . . . .	1.8310	99.0	+ 3.2		.8125	85.5	+ .3
1911 . . . . .	1.8440	99.7	+ .7		.8250	86.8	+ 1.5
1912 . . . . .	1.8500	100.0	+ .3		.8542	89.9	+ 3.5
1913 . . . . .	1.8500	100.0	( <sup>2</sup> )		.8583	90.3	+ .5
1914 . . . . .	1.8460	99.8	- .2		.8458	88.9	- 1.6
1915 . . . . .	1.8375	99.3	- .5		.8708	91.6	+ 3.0
1916 . . . . .	2.1667	117.1	+17.9		1.1417	120.2	+31.1
<b>1916.</b>							
January . . . . .	1.8750	101.4	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.0000	105.3	+11.1
February . . . . .	1.8750	101.4	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.0000	105.3	( <sup>2</sup> )
March . . . . .	2.1250	114.9	+13.3		1.0000	105.3	( <sup>2</sup> )
April . . . . .	2.1250	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.0000	105.3	( <sup>2</sup> )
May . . . . .	2.1250	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.0500	110.6	+ 5.0
June . . . . .	2.1250	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.0500	110.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
July . . . . .	2.2500	121.6	+ 5.9		1.0500	110.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
August . . . . .	2.3000	124.3	+ 2.2		1.1000	115.8	+ 4.8
September . . . . .	2.3000	124.3	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.2000	126.4	+ 9.1
October . . . . .	2.3000	124.3	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.3500	142.1	+12.5
November . . . . .	2.3000	124.3	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.4500	152.7	+ 7.4
December . . . . .	2.3000	124.3	( <sup>2</sup> )		1.4500	152.7	( <sup>2</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Average for 1893-1899.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Leather.								
	Calf.				Harness: oak.				
	Wax calf, 30 to 40 pounds to the dozen, B grade, average price per sq. foot.	Chrome calf, average price per sq. foot.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Country mid-dles, average price per pound.	No. 1, average price per pound.	California, No. 1, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899...</b>	<b>\$. 6545</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 2590</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....	
1890.....	.6000	.....	91.7	.....	.2571	.....	99.3	.....	
1891.....	.6469	.....	98.8	+ 7.8	.2579	.....	99.6	+ 0.3	
1892.....	.6929	.....	105.9	+ 7.1	.2367	.....	91.4	- 8.2	
1893.....	.6450	.....	98.5	- 6.9	.2400	.....	92.7	+ 1.4	
1894.....	.6042	.....	92.3	- 6.3	.2275	.....	87.8	- 5.2	
1895.....	.7933	.....	112.0	+21.4	.2888	.....	111.5	+26.9	
1896.....	.6433	.....	98.3	-12.3	.2554	.....	98.6	-11.6	
1897.....	.6156	.....	94.1	- 4.3	.2433	.....	93.9	- 4.7	
1898.....	.6760	.....	103.3	+ 9.8	.2825	.....	109.1	+16.1	
1899.....	.6875	.....	105.0	+ 1.7	.3004	.....	116.0	+ 6.3	
1900.....	.6563	.....	100.3	- 4.5	.3025	.....	116.8	+ .7	
1901.....	.6281	.....	96.0	- 4.3	.2971	\$. 3325	114.7	- 1.8	
1902.....	.6604	.....	100.9	+ 5.1	.....	.3325	114.7	(1)	
1903.....	.6900	.....	105.4	+ 4.5	.....	.3313	114.3	- .4	
1904.....	.6875	.....	105.0	- .4	.....	.3188	110.0	- 3.8	
1905.....	.6969	.....	106.5	+ 1.4	.....	.3333	115.0	+ 4.5	
1906.....	.7167	.....	109.5	+ 2.8	.....	.3713	128.1	+11.4	
1907.....	.7667	\$. 2250	117.1	+ 7.0	.....	.3738	129.0	+ .7	
1908.....	.....	.2183	113.6	- 3.0	.....	.3508	121.1	- 6.2	
1909.....	.....	.2313	120.4	+ 6.0	.....	.3808	131.5	+ 8.6	
1910.....	.....	.2275	118.4	- 1.6	.....	.3792	130.9	- .4	
1911.....	.....	.2263	117.8	- .5	.....	.3688	127.3	- 2.7	
1912.....	.....	.2467	128.4	+ 9.0	.....	.3821	131.9	+ 3.6	
1913.....	.....	.2696	140.3	+ 9.3	.....	.3938	135.9	+ 3.1	
1914.....	.....	.2800	145.8	+ 3.9	.....	.3950	\$. 4180	136.3	+ .3
1915.....	.....	.2850	148.4	+ 1.8	.....	.....	.4521	147.5	+ 8.2
1916.....	.....	.4500	234.2	+57.9	.....	.....	.4975	162.2	+10.0
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.....	.3100	161.3	+ 1.6	.....	.....	.4600	150.0	(1)
February.....	.....	.3200	166.5	+ 3.2	.....	.....	.4600	150.0	(1)
March.....	.....	.3450	179.6	+ 7.8	.....	.....	.4600	150.0	(1)
April.....	.....	.3650	190.0	+ 5.8	.....	.....	.4700	153.3	+ 2.2
May.....	.....	.4250	221.2	+16.4	.....	.....	.4700	153.3	(1)
June.....	.....	.4600	239.4	+ 8.2	.....	.....	.4900	159.8	+ 4.3
July.....	.....	.4600	239.4	(1)	.....	.....	.4900	159.8	(1)
August.....	.....	.4650	242.0	+ 1.1	.....	.....	.4900	159.8	(1)
September.....	.....	.4650	242.0	(1)	.....	.....	.5000	163.0	+ 2.0
October.....	.....	.4850	252.4	+ 4.3	.....	.....	.5000	163.0	(1)
November.....	.....	.5750	299.3	+18.6	.....	.....	.5400	176.1	+ 8.0
December.....	.....	.7250	377.3	+26.1	.....	.....	.6400	208.7	+18.5

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Leather.						Linen shoe thread: 10s, Barbour.		
	Sole: hemlock.			Sole: oak.					
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0.1939</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0.3363</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0.8748</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.1921	99.1	.....	.3771	112.1	.....	.8910	101.9	.....
1891.....	.1858	95.8	- 3.3	.3679	109.4	- 2.4	.8910	101.9	(1)
1892.....	.1727	89.1	- 7.1	.3421	101.7	- 7.0	.8910	101.9	(1)
1893.....	.1796	92.6	+ 4.0	.3483	103.6	+ 1.8	.8993	102.8	+ 0.9
1894.....	.1715	88.4	- 4.5	.3279	97.9	- 5.9	.9182	105.0	+ 2.1
1895.....	.2073	106.9	+20.9	.3421	101.7	+ 4.3	.8514	97.3	- 7.3
1896.....	.1881	97.0	- 9.3	.2925	87.0	-14.5	.8514	97.3	(1)
1897.....	.2033	104.8	+ 8.1	.3079	91.6	+ 5.3	.8514	97.3	(1)
1898.....	.2129	109.8	+ 4.7	.3213	95.5	+ 4.4	.8514	97.3	(1)
1899.....	.2254	116.2	+ 5.9	.3358	99.9	+ 4.5	.8514	97.3	(1)
1900.....	.2490	128.4	+10.5	.3608	107.3	+ 7.4	.8877	101.5	+ 4.3
1901.....	.2475	127.6	- .6	.3525	104.8	- 2.3	.8910	101.9	+ .4
1902.....	.2367	122.1	- 4.4	.3800	113.0	+ 7.8	.8910	101.9	(1)
1903.....	.2267	116.9	- 4.2	.3742	111.3	- 1.5	.8460	96.7	- 5.1
1904.....	.2258	116.5	- .4	.3450	102.6	- 7.8	.8499	97.2	+ .5
1905.....	.2290	118.1	+ 1.4	.3663	108.9	+ 6.2	.8499	97.2	(1)
1906.....	.2538	130.9	+10.8	.3796	112.9	+ 3.6	.8930	102.1	+ 5.1
1907.....	.2644	136.4	+ 4.2	.3821	113.6	+ .7	.8930	102.1	(1)
1908.....	.2508	129.3	- 5.1	.3800	113.0	- .5	.8930	102.1	(1)
1909.....	.2550	131.5	+ 1.7	.4125	122.7	+ 8.6	.8930	102.1	(1)
1910.....	.2467	127.2	- 3.3	.4146	123.3	+ .5	.8930	102.1	(1)
1911.....	.2375	122.5	- 3.7	.3883	115.5	- 6.3	.8930	102.1	(1)
1912.....	.2579	133.0	+ 8.6	.4154	123.5	+ 7.0	.8930	102.1	(1)
1913.....	.2821	145.5	+ 9.4	.4488	133.5	+ 8.0	.8930	102.1	(1)
1914.....	.3019	155.7	+ 7.0	.4713	140.2	+ 5.0	.9071	103.7	+ 1.6
1915.....	.3094	159.6	+ 2.5	.5044	150.0	+ 7.0	1.0763	123.0	+18.7
1916.....	.3883	200.3	+25.5	.6396	190.2	+26.8	1.3583	155.3	+26.2
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3250	167.6	(1)	.5300	157.6	(1)	1.1468	131.1	(1)
February.....	.3250	167.6	(1)	.5450	162.1	+ 2.8	1.2314	140.8	+ 7.4
March.....	.3350	172.8	+ 3.1	.5550	165.0	+ 1.8	1.3160	150.4	+ 6.9
April.....	.3600	185.7	+ 7.5	.6200	184.4	+11.7	1.4006	160.1	+ 6.4
May.....	.3700	190.8	+ 2.8	.6350	188.8	+ 2.4	1.4006	160.1	(1)
June.....	.3700	190.8	(1)	.6350	188.8	(1)	1.4006	160.1	(1)
July.....	.3700	190.8	(1)	.6350	188.8	(1)	1.4006	160.1	(1)
August.....	.3700	190.8	(1)	.6350	188.8	(1)	1.4006	160.1	(1)
September.....	.3700	190.8	(1)	.6350	188.8	(1)	1.4006	160.1	(1)
October.....	.4050	208.9	+ 9.5	.6750	200.7	+ 6.3	1.4006	160.1	(1)
November.....	.4900	252.7	+21.0	.7400	220.0	+ 9.6	1.4006	160.1	(1)
December.....	.5700	294.0	+16.3	.8350	248.3	+12.8	1.4006	160.1	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Overcoatings.									
	Covert cloth.			Kersey, wool-dyed, 28-ounce, 56-inch.			Kersey, 27 to 28 ounce, average price per yard.	Soft faced, black, plain twill, 24-ounce, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
	Light-weight staple goods, average price per yard.	14-ounce, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$2.3286</b>	<b>100.0</b>			<b>\$1.8743</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$1.2472</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890	2.4616	105.7			2.0250	108.0				
1891	2.4616	105.7	(2)		2.0250	108.0	(2)			
1892	2.4616	105.7	(2)		2.0250	108.0	(2)			
1893	2.4616	105.7	(2)		2.0250	108.0	(2)			
1894	2.4254	104.2	-1.5		1.8000	96.0	-11.1			
1895	2.3259	99.9	-4.1	1.7100	91.2	-5.0				
1896	2.0363	87.4	-12.5	1.7100	91.2	(2)				
1897	1.9458	83.6	-4.4	1.7100	91.2	(2)	1.1833	94.9		
1898	2.2625	97.2	+16.3	1.9125	102.0	+11.8	1.3000	104.2	+9.9	
1899	2.4435	104.9	+8.0	1.8000	96.0	-5.9	1.2583	100.9	-3.2	
1900	2.3621	101.4	-3.3	1.8000	96.0	(2)	1.5750	126.3	+25.2	
1901	2.2625	97.2	-4.2	2.0250	108.0	+12.5	1.5000	120.3	-4.8	
1902	2.2625	97.2	(2)	1.9125	102.0	-5.6	1.5000	120.3	(2)	
1903	2.1899	94.0	-3.2	2.0250	108.0	+5.9	1.5750	126.3	+5.0	
1904	2.1899	94.0	(2)	1.9125	102.0	-5.6	1.6500	132.3	+4.8	
1905	2.2568	96.9	+3.1	2.0250	108.0	+5.9	1.8313	146.8	+11.0	
1906	2.2568	96.9	(2)	2.2500	120.0	+11.1	2.0417	163.7	+11.5	
1907	2.2568	96.9	(2)	2.2500	120.0	(2)	1.9708	158.0	-3.5	
1908	2.2568	\$2.0250	96.9	(2)	2.2500	120.0	(2)	1.8500	148.3	-6.1
1909	2.0250	96.9	(2)	2.2500	120.0	(2)	1.7875	143.3	-3.4	
1910	1.9031	91.1	-6.0	2.2500	120.0	(2)	1.9250	154.3	+7.7	
1911	1.8000	86.2	-5.4	2.2050	117.6	-2.0	1.7500	\$1.3950	140.3	-9.1
1912	1.9125	91.6	+6.3	2.2050	117.6	(2)		1.3538	136.2	-3.0
1913	1.8000	86.2	-5.9	2.2050	117.6	(2)		1.3725	138.1	+1.4
1914	1.8188	87.1	+1.0	2.1375	114.0	-3.1		1.2938	130.1	-5.8
1915	1.9125	91.6	+5.2	2.2781	121.5	+6.6		1.4231	143.1	+10.0
1916	2.3344	111.7	+22.1	2.6794	143.0	+17.6		1.9200	193.1	+34.9
<b>1916.</b>										
January	2.1375	102.3	+11.8	2.4075	128.4	(2)		1.7775	178.8	+14.5
February	2.1375	102.3	(2)	2.4075	128.4	(2)		1.7775	178.8	(2)
March	2.2500	107.7	+5.3	2.4750	132.0	(2)		1.7775	178.8	(2)
April	2.2500	107.7	(2)	2.5875	138.1	+4.5		1.7775	178.8	(2)
May	2.3625	113.1	+5.0	2.7000	144.1	+4.3		1.7775	178.8	(2)
June	2.3625	113.1	(2)	2.7000	144.1	(2)		1.7775	178.8	(2)
July	2.3625	113.1	(2)	2.7000	144.1	(2)		2.0475	205.9	+15.2
August	2.3625	113.1	(2)	2.7000	144.1	(2)		2.0475	205.9	(2)
September	2.3625	113.1	(2)	2.8125	150.1	+4.2		2.0475	205.9	(2)
October	2.4750	118.4	+4.8	2.8125	150.1	(2)		2.0475	205.9	(2)
November	2.4750	118.4	(2)	2.9250	156.1	+4.0		2.0475	205.9	(2)
December	2.4750	118.4	(2)	2.9250	156.1	(2)		2.1375	215.0	+4.4

<sup>1</sup> Average price for 1897-1899.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Percale: Scout, 36-inch.			Print cloths.			Sheetings: bleached, 10-4, Pepperell.			
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	28-inch, average price per yard.	27-inch, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$0.0284</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.1884</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890				.0334		117.7		.2190	116.2	
1891				.0294		103.5	-12.0	.2008	106.6	- 8.3
1892				.0339		119.3	+15.2	.1900	100.8	- 5.4
1893				.0325		114.6	- 4.0	.1946	103.3	+ 2.4
1894				.0275		96.8	-15.5	.1742	92.5	-10.5
1895				.0286		100.9	+ 4.2	.1785	94.7	+ 2.5
1896				.0258		90.9	- 9.9	.1792	95.1	+ .4
1897				.0249		87.6	- 3.7	.1738	92.3	- 3.0
1898				.0206		72.6	-17.1	.1721	91.3	- 1.0
1899				.0273		96.3	+32.7	.2021	107.3	+17.4
1900				.0308		108.6	+12.8	.2292	121.7	+13.4
1901				.0282		99.3	- 8.6	.2117	112.4	- 7.6
1902				.0309		108.9	+ 9.6	.2100	111.5	- .8
1903				.0322		113.3	+ 4.1	.2275	120.8	+ 8.3
1904				.0333		117.3	+ 3.5	.2425	128.7	+ 6.6
1905				.0312		110.0	- 6.2	.2267	120.3	- 6.5
1906				.0362		127.7	+16.1	.2475	131.4	+ 9.2
1907				.0475		167.4	+31.1	.2833	153.0	+16.5
1908				.0335		118.0	-29.5	.2442	129.6	-15.3
1909				.0359		126.5	+ 7.2	.2517	133.6	+ 3.1
1910				.0383		134.8	+ 6.6	.2675	142.0	+ 6.3
1911				.0349		122.8	- 8.9	.2450	130.0	- 8.4
1912				.0381		134.3	+ 9.3	.2283	121.2	- 6.8
1913	\$.0675	(1)		.0377	\$.0345	132.9	- 1.1	.2392	127.0	+ 4.8
1914	.0675	(1)	(2)		.0304	117.1	-11.9	.2533	134.5	+ 5.9
1915	.0623	(1)	- 7.0		.0288	110.9	- 5.3	.2317	123.0	- 8.5
1916	.0871	(1)	+38.7		.0419	161.4	+45.5	.2979	158.1	+28.6
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.0688	(1)	+ 5.8		.0340	131.0	+ 6.6	.2600	138.0	+ 8.3
February	.0738	(1)	+ 7.3		.0347	133.7	+ 2.1	.2800	148.6	+ 7.7
March	.0738	(1)	(2)		.0355	136.8	+ 2.3	.2800	148.6	(2)
April	.0788	(1)	+ 6.8		.0378	145.6	+ 6.5	.2800	148.6	(2)
May	.0838	(1)	+ 6.3		.0392	151.0	+ 3.7	.3000	159.2	+ 7.1
June	.0838	(1)	(2)		.0386	148.7	- 1.5	.3000	159.2	(2)
July	.0838	(1)	(2)		.0386	148.7	(2)	.3000	159.2	(2)
August	.0838	(1)	(2)		.0403	155.2	+ 4.4	.3000	159.2	(2)
September	.0938	(1)	+11.9		.0448	172.6	+11.2	.3000	159.2	(2)
October	.0963	(1)	+ 2.7		.0500	192.6	+11.6	.3250	172.5	+ 8.3
November	.1100	(1)	+14.2		.0550	211.9	+10.0	.3250	172.5	(2)
December	.1150	(1)	+ 4.5		.0543	209.2	- 1.3	.3250	172.5	(2)

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Sheetings.								
	Bleached: 10-4, Wamsutta, S. T.			Brown: 4-4, Indian Head.			Brown: 4-4, Pepperell R.		
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.2949</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.0626</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.0551</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.3126	106.0	.....	.0725	115.8	.....	.0640	116.2	.....
1891.....	.3162	107.2	+ 1.1	.0727	116.1	+ 0.3	.0597	108.3	- 6.7
1892.....	.2944	99.8	- 6.9	.0648	103.5	-10.9	.0569	103.8	- 4.7
1893.....	.3056	103.6	+ 3.8	.0679	108.5	+ 4.8	.0583	105.8	+ 2.5
1894.....	.2756	93.5	- 9.8	.0598	95.5	-11.9	.0531	96.4	- 8.9
1895.....	.2719	92.2	- 1.3	.0585	93.5	- 2.2	.0529	96.0	- .4
1896.....	.2925	99.2	+ 7.6	.0622	99.4	+ 6.3	.0558	101.3	+ 5.5
1897.....	.2925	99.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0588	93.9	- 5.5	.0525	95.3	- 5.9
1898.....	.2925	99.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0540	86.3	- 8.2	.0475	86.2	- 9.5
1899.....	.2951	100.1	+ .9	.0544	86.9	+ .7	.0504	91.5	+ 6.1
1900.....	.3075	104.3	+ 4.2	.0623	99.5	+14.5	.0592	107.4	+17.5
1901.....	.2925	99.2	- 4.9	.0631	100.8	+ 1.3	.0592	107.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1902.....	.2925	99.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0625	99.8	- 1.0	.0569	103.3	- 3.9
1903.....	.3038	103.0	+ 3.9	.0681	108.8	+ 9.0	.0599	108.7	+ 5.3
1904.....	.2775	94.1	- 8.7	.0802	128.1	+17.8	.0669	121.4	+11.7
1905.....	.2700	91.6	- 2.7	.0758	121.1	- 5.5	.0644	116.9	- 3.7
1906.....	.2733	92.7	+ 1.2	.0802	128.1	+ 5.8	.0685	124.3	+ 6.4
1907.....	.3050	103.4	+11.6	.0835	133.4	+ 4.1	.0746	135.4	+ 8.9
1908.....	.2794	94.7	- 8.4	.0779	124.4	- 6.7	.0683	124.0	- 8.4
1909.....	.2867	97.2	+ 2.6	.0752	120.1	- 3.5	.0688	124.9	+ .7
1910.....	.3400	115.3	+18.6	.0835	133.4	+11.0	.0731	132.7	+ 6.3
1911.....	.3064	103.9	- 9.9	.0879	140.4	+ 5.3	.0683	124.0	- 6.6
1912.....	.2783	94.4	- 9.2	.0806	128.8	- 8.3	.0690	125.2	+ 1.0
1913.....	.3257	110.4	+17.0	.0842	134.5	+ 4.5	.0733	133.0	+ 6.2
1914.....	.3444	116.7	+ 5.7	.0798	127.5	- 5.2	.0685	124.3	- 6.5
1915.....	.3045	103.3	-11.6	.0681	108.8	-14.7	.0606	110.0	-11.5
1916.....	.3822	129.6	+25.5	.0882	140.9	+29.5	.0829	150.5	+36.8
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.3308	112.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0763	121.9	+ 1.7	.0700	127.0	+ 3.7
February.....	.3528	119.6	+ 6.7	.0763	121.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0700	127.0	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	.3528	119.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0788	125.9	+ 3.3	.0725	131.6	+ 3.6
April.....	.3528	119.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0813	129.9	+ 3.2	.0750	136.1	+ 3.4
May.....	.3528	119.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0838	133.9	+ 3.1	.0750	136.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	.3748	127.1	+ 6.2	.0838	133.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0775	140.7	+ 3.3
July.....	.3748	127.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0838	133.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0775	140.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
August.....	.3748	127.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0838	133.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0800	145.2	+ 3.2
September.....	.3748	127.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0900	143.8	+ 7.4	.0850	154.3	+ 6.3
October.....	.4189	142.0	+11.8	.0900	143.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0975	177.0	+14.7
November.....	.4630	157.0	+10.5	.1113	177.8	+23.7	.1050	190.6	+ 7.7
December.....	.4630	157.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.1200	191.7	+ 7.8	.1100	199.6	+ 4.8

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Sheetings: brown.					Shirtings: bleached, 4-4, Fruit of the Loom.			
	4-4, Stark A, average price per yard.	4-4, Massa- chusetts Mills, Flying Horse brand, average price per yard.	Law- rence L. L., average price per yard.	4-4, Ware Shoals L. L., average price per yard.	Rela- tive price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with pre- ceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Rela- tive price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with pre- ceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0525</b>				<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.0728</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890	.0660				125.7		.0845	116.1	
1891	.0594				113.1	-10.0	.0799	109.8	- 5.4
1892	.0545				103.8	- 8.2	.0808	111.0	+ 1.1
1893	.0574				109.3	+ 5.3	.0832	114.3	+ 3.0
1894	.0521				99.2	- 9.2	.0727	99.9	-12.6
1895	.0513				97.7	- 1.5	.0700	96.2	- 3.7
1896	.0511				97.3	- .4	.0696	95.6	- .6
1897	.0452				86.1	-11.5	.0641	88.0	- 7.9
1898	.0424				80.8	- 6.2	.0584	80.2	- 8.9
1899	.0451				85.9	+ 6.4	.0644	88.5	+10.3
1900	.0508				96.8	+12.6	.0753	103.4	+16.9
1901	.0494	\$.0575			94.1	- 2.8	.0750	103.0	- .4
1902		.0566			92.6	- 1.6	.0756	103.8	+ .8
1903		.0623			101.9	+10.1	.0767	105.4	+ 1.5
1904		.0715			117.0	+14.8	.0802	110.2	+ 4.6
1905		.0725			118.6	+ 1.4	.0748	102.7	- 6.7
1906		.0767			125.5	+ 5.8	.0817	112.2	+ 9.2
1907		.0777	\$.0647		127.1	+ 1.3	.1117	153.4	+36.7
1908			.0519		102.0	-19.8	.0913	125.4	-18.3
1909			.0561		110.3	+ 8.1	.0908	124.7	- .5
1910			.0610	\$.0647	119.9	+ 8.7	.0917	126.0	+ 1.0
1911				.0575	106.5	-11.1	.0865	118.8	- 5.7
1912				.0605	112.0	+ 5.2	.0829	113.9	- 4.2
1913				.0614	113.7	+ 1.5	.0870	119.5	+ 4.9
1914				.0560	103.7	- 8.8	.0925	127.0	+ 6.3
1915				.0516	95.5	+ 7.9	.0782	107.4	-15.5
1916				.0722	133.7	+39.9	.0960	131.9	+22.8
<b>1916.</b>									
January				.0588	108.9	+ 2.3	.0850	116.8	+ 3.0
February				.0600	111.1	+ 2.0	.0875	120.2	+ 2.9
March				.0600	111.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0900	123.6	+ 2.9
April				.0625	115.7	+ 4.2	.0900	123.6	( <sup>1</sup> )
May				.0663	122.8	+ 6.1	.0925	127.1	+ 2.8
June				.0663	122.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0950	130.5	+ 2.7
July				.0663	122.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0950	130.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
August				.0725	134.2	+ 9.4	.0950	130.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
September				.0775	143.5	+ 6.9	.1000	137.4	+ 5.3
October				.0850	157.4	+ 9.7	.1000	137.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
November				.0925	171.3	+ 8.8	.1075	147.7	+ 7.5
December				.0988	182.9	+ 6.8	.1150	158.0	+ 7.0

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.							Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
	Shirtings: bleached.							
	Lonsdale.				4-4, (New York Mills, 1890-1905; Williams-ville, Al. 1906-1909), average price per yard.	4-4, Rough Rider, average price per yard.	Relative price.	
	4-4, average price per yard.	4-4 (new construction), average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.				
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> ..	<b>\$0.0727</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.0876</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.0845		116.2		.0968		110.5	
1891.....	.0822		113.1	- 2.7	.0965		110.2	- 0.3
1892.....	.0812		111.7	- 1.2	.0931		106.3	- 3.5
1893.....	.0832		114.4	+ 2.5	.0925		105.6	+ .6
1894.....	.0727		100.0	-12.6	.0885		101.0	- 4.3
1895.....	.0697		95.9	- 4.1	.0851		97.1	- 3.8
1896.....	.0685		94.2	- 1.7	.0885		101.0	+ 4.0
1897.....	.0633		87.1	- 7.6	.0836		95.4	- 5.5
1898.....	.0596		81.8	- 5.8	.0784		89.5	- 6.2
1899.....	.0626		86.1	+ 5.0	.0725		82.8	- 7.5
1900.....	.0731		100.6	+16.8	.0786		89.7	+ 8.4
1901.....	.0738		101.5	+ 1.0	.0760		86.8	- 3.3
1902.....	.0741		101.9	+ .4	.0766		87.4	+ .8
1903.....	.0755		103.9	+ 1.9	.0850		97.0	+11.0
1904.....	.0796		109.5	+ 5.4	.0830		94.7	- 2.4
1905.....	.0739		101.7	- 7.2	.0848		96.8	+ 2.2
1906.....	.0806		110.9	+ 9.1	.0946		108.0	+11.6
1907.....	.1025		141.0	+27.2	.1163		132.8	+22.9
1908.....	.0873		120.1	-14.8	.0938		107.1	-19.3
1909.....	.0879		120.9	+ .7	.0875	\$0.0833	99.9	- 6.7
1910.....	.0892	\$0.0842	122.7	+ 1.5		.0846	101.5	+ 1.6
1911.....		.0783	114.1	- 7.0		.0793	95.1	- 6.3
1912.....		.0785	114.4	+ .3		.0786	94.3	- .9
1913.....		.0824	120.1	+ 5.0		.0827	99.2	+ 5.2
1914.....		.0848	123.6	+ 2.9		.0821	98.5	- .7
1915.....		.0742	108.2	-12.5		.0727	87.3	-11.4
1916.....		.0913	133.0	+23.0		.0935	112.1	+28.6
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....		.0800	116.6	+ 3.2		.0800	95.9	+ 3.2
February.....		.0825	120.2	+ 3.1		.0800	95.9	(1)
March.....		.0850	123.9	+ 3.0		.0825	98.9	+ 3.1
April.....		.0850	123.9	(1)		.0850	101.9	+ 3.0
May.....		.0875	127.5	+ 2.9		.0875	104.9	+ 2.9
June.....		.0875	127.5	(1)		.0875	104.9	(1)
July.....		.0875	127.5	(1)		.0875	104.9	(1)
August.....		.0900	131.2	+ 2.9		.0875	104.9	(1)
September.....		.0950	138.4	+ 5.6		.1000	119.9	+14.3
October.....		.1000	145.7	+ 5.3		.1050	125.9	+ 5.0
November.....		.1050	153.0	+ 5.0		.1200	143.9	+14.3
December.....		.1100	160.3	+ 4.8		.1200	143.9	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Shirtings: bleached, 4-4, Wamsutta $\begin{matrix} \text{X} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{X} \end{matrix}$ .			Silk: raw.					
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Italian, classical.		Japanese, filatures.			
				Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0948</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$4.2558</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$4.0187</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.1011	106.6	.....	5.2238	122.7	.....	5.2429	130.5	.....
1891.....	.1009	106.4	- 0.2	4.1865	98.4	-19.9	4.0110	99.8	-23.5
1892.....	.0973	102.6	- 3.6	4.4826	105.3	+ 7.1	4.3266	107.7	+ 7.9
1893.....	.0981	103.5	+ .8	5.0289	118.2	+12.2	4.5409	113.0	+ 5.0
1894.....	.0950	100.2	- 3.2	3.6816	86.5	-26.8	3.3627	83.7	-25.9
1895.....	.0969	102.2	+ 2.0	4.0373	94.9	+ 9.7	3.7855	94.2	+12.6
1896.....	.0951	100.3	- 1.9	3.6293	85.3	-10.1	3.4072	84.8	-10.0
1897.....	.0935	98.6	- 1.7	3.6404	85.5	+ .3	3.4637	86.2	+ 1.7
1898.....	.0807	85.1	-13.7	3.8768	91.1	+ 6.5	3.6376	90.5	+ 5.0
1899.....	.0892	94.1	+10.5	4.7706	112.1	+23.1	4.4085	109.7	+21.2
1900.....	.0965	101.8	+ 8.2	4.5128	106.0	- 5.4	4.1690	103.7	- 5.4
1901.....	.0875	92.3	- 9.3	3.8466	90.4	-14.8	3.5132	87.4	-15.7
1902.....	.0885	93.4	+ 1.1	4.1085	96.5	+ 6.8	3.8224	95.1	+ 8.8
1903.....	.0974	102.7	+10.1	4.5241	106.3	+10.1	4.1346	102.9	+ 8.2
1904.....	.0921	97.2	- 5.4	3.8651	90.8	-14.6	3.6416	90.6	-11.9
1905.....	.0942	99.4	+ 2.3	4.1085	96.5	+ 6.3	3.9912	99.3	+ 9.6
1906.....	.1033	109.0	+ 9.7	4.3249	101.6	+ 5.3	4.1632	103.6	+ 4.3
1907.....	.1100	116.0	+ 6.5	5.5812	131.1	+29.0	5.0602	125.9	+21.5
1908.....	.1119	118.0	+ 1.7	4.1807	98.2	-25.1	3.8902	96.8	-23.1
1909.....	.1058	111.6	- 5.5	4.3777	102.9	+ 4.8	3.8396	95.5	- 1.3
1910.....	.1138	120.0	+ 7.6	4.0054	94.1	- 8.5	3.5244	87.7	- 8.2
1911.....	.1105	116.0	- 2.9	3.8876	91.3	- 2.9	3.4709	86.4	- 1.5
1912.....	.1044	110.1	- 5.5	3.8111	89.6	- 2.0	3.4451	85.7	- 1.7
1913.....	.1117	117.8	+ 7.0	4.3766	102.8	+14.8	3.6395	90.6	+ 5.6
1914.....	.1117	117.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	4.3412	102.0	- .8	3.6941	92.0	+ 1.5
1915.....	.1001	105.6	-10.4	3.6341	85.4	-16.3	3.3182	82.6	-10.2
1916.....	.1253	132.2	+25.2	5.9524	139.9	+63.8	4.8673	121.1	+46.7
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1117	117.8	+ 4.4	5.2470	123.3	+ 9.3	4.4620	111.0	- 2.6
February.....	.1117	117.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.9400	139.6	+13.2	4.9955	124.3	+12.0
March.....	.1163	122.7	+ 4.1	5.9400	139.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.4320	135.2	+ 8.7
April.....	.1210	127.6	+ 4.0	5.8410	137.2	- 1.7	4.7773	118.9	-12.1
May.....	.1210	127.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.9400	139.6	+ 1.7	4.4620	111.0	- 6.6
June.....	.1210	127.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.4945	129.1	- 7.5	4.3626	108.6	- 2.2
July.....	.1210	127.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.4945	129.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	4.5267	112.6	+ 3.8
August.....	.1210	127.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.1380	144.2	+11.7	4.8743	121.3	+ 7.7
September.....	.1303	137.4	+ 7.7	6.0390	141.9	- 1.6	4.7045	117.1	- 3.5
October.....	.1303	137.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.2370	146.6	+ 3.3	4.9955	124.3	+ 6.2
November.....	.1443	152.2	+10.7	6.5835	154.7	+ 5.6	5.4320	135.2	+ 8.7
December.....	.1536	162.0	+ 6.4	6.5340	153.5	- .8	5.3835	134.0	- .9

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Suitsings.								
	Clay worsted diagonal, 12-ounce.			Clay worsted diagonal, 16-ounce.			Middlesex.		
	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Indigo blue, all wool, 14-ounce, 54-inch, average price per yard.	Wool-dyed blue, 15-ounce, 55-56 inch, average price per yard.	Relative price.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.8236</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.0068</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.3230</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....						1.5470		116.9	
1891.....						1.5470		116.9	( <sup>2</sup> )
1892.....						1.5470		116.9	( <sup>2</sup> )
1893.....						1.5084		114.0	- 2.5
1894.....						1.4697		111.1	- 2.6
1895.....	.7621	92.5	.....	.9445	93.8	.....	1.1523	87.1	-21.6
1896.....	.7337	89.1	- 3.7	.8819	87.6	- 6.6	1.1375	86.0	- 1.3
1897.....	.7595	92.2	+ 3.5	.9392	93.3	+ 6.5	1.0465	79.1	- 8.0
1898.....	.9165	111.3	+20.7	1.1216	111.4	+19.4	1.1375	86.0	+ 8.7
1899.....	.9461	114.9	+ 3.2	1.1468	113.9	+ 2.2	1.1375	86.0	( <sup>2</sup> )
1900.....	1.0819	131.4	+14.4	1.3463	133.7	+17.4	1.1375	86.0	( <sup>2</sup> )
1901.....	.9113	110.6	-15.8	1.1175	111.0	-17.0	1.1849	89.6	+ 4.2
1902.....	.9131	110.9	+ .2	1.0931	108.6	- 2.2	1.3119	99.2	+10.7
1903.....	.9488	115.2	+ 3.9	1.1288	112.1	+ 3.3	1.4400	108.8	+ 9.8
1904.....	.9244	112.2	- 2.6	1.1036	109.6	- 2.2	1.4438	109.1	+ .3
1905.....	1.0931	132.7	+18.2	1.3013	129.3	+17.9	1.5300	115.6	+ 6.0
1906.....	1.2150	147.5	+11.2	1.4738	146.4	+13.3	1.7100	129.3	+11.8
1907.....	1.1700	142.1	- 3.7	1.4025	139.3	- 4.8	1.7100	129.3	( <sup>2</sup> )
1908.....	1.1138	135.2	- 4.8	1.3388	133.0	- 4.5	1.5750	119.0	- 7.9
1909.....	1.2375	150.3	+11.1	1.4850	147.5	+10.9	1.5750	119.0	( <sup>2</sup> )
1910.....	1.2225	148.4	- 1.2	1.4588	144.9	- 1.8	1.5750	119.0	( <sup>2</sup> )
1911.....	1.0951	132.7	-10.6	1.2731	126.5	-12.7	1.4888	112.5	- 5.5
1912.....	1.2150	147.5	+11.2	1.4063	139.7	+10.5	1.5225	115.1	+ 2.3
1913.....	1.1775	143.0	- 3.1	1.3819	137.3	- 1.7	1.5450	116.8	+ 1.5
1914.....	1.0800	131.1	- 8.3	1.2825	127.4	- 7.2	1.4588	110.3	- 5.6
1915.....	1.2225	148.4	+13.2	1.4806	147.1	+15.4	1.5638	118.2	+ 7.2
1916.....	1.6313	198.1	+33.4	1.9958	198.2	+34.8	1.9744	149.3	+26.3
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	1.4750	179.1	+11.1	1.8250	181.3	+12.7	1.6200	122.5	( <sup>2</sup> )
February.....	1.5500	188.2	+ 5.1	1.8750	186.2	+ 2.7	1.8000	136.1	+11.1
March.....	1.6250	197.3	+ 4.8	1.9750	196.2	+ 5.3	1.9125	144.6	+ 6.3
April.....	1.6250	197.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	1.9750	196.2	( <sup>2</sup> )	1.9125	144.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
May.....	1.6250	197.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.1250	211.1	+ 7.6	1.9125	144.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
June.....	1.6250	197.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0000	198.6	- 5.9	1.9125	144.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
July.....	1.6500	200.3	+ 1.5	2.0000	198.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	1.9575	148.0	+ 2.4
August.....	1.6500	200.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0000	198.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0250	153.1	+ 3.4
September.....	1.6500	200.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0000	198.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0925	158.2	+ 3.3
October.....	1.6500	200.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0000	198.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	2.0925	158.2	( <sup>2</sup> )
November.....	1.7000	206.4	+ 3.0	2.0500	203.6	+ 2.5	2.1825	165.0	+ 4.3
December.....	1.7500	212.5	+ 2.9	2.1250	211.1	+ 3.7	2.2725	171.8	+ 4.1

<sup>1</sup> Average price for 1895-1899.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.										
	Suits: serge.				Tickings: Amoskeag A. C. A.			Trouserings: fancy worsted.			
	Washing- ton Mills, 6700, aver- age price per yard.	11- ounce Fulton Mills, 3192, aver- age price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with prece- ding year or month.	Aver- age price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with prece- ding year or month.	22-23 ounce, average price per yard.	21-22 ounce, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Percent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with prece- ding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.7526</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.1061</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$1.9456</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890					.1200	113.1					
1891					.1175	110.7	- 2.1				
1892	.9100		120.9		.1150	108.4	- 2.1	2.0734		106.6	
1893	.9100		120.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1181	111.3	+ 2.7	2.0734		106.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
1894	.6825		90.7	-25.0	.1084	102.2	- 8.2	1.9238		98.9	- 7.2
1895	.6825		90.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1006	94.8	- 7.2	1.7100		87.9	-11.1
1896	.6143		81.6	-10.0	.1019	96.0	+ 1.3	1.7955		92.3	+ 5.0
1897	.6598		87.7	+ 7.4	.0975	91.6	- 4.3	1.7955		92.3	( <sup>2</sup> )
1898	.7508		99.8	+13.8	.0894	84.3	- 8.3	2.1197		108.9	+18.1
1899	.8106		107.7	+ 8.0	.0923	87.0	+ 3.2	2.0734		106.6	- 2.2
1900	.8100		107.6	- .1	.1084	102.2	+17.4	2.2871		117.6	+10.3
1901	.8025		106.6	- .9	.1013	95.5	- 6.5	1.9879		102.2	-13.1
1902	.7913		105.1	- 1.4	.1050	99.0	+ 3.7	1.9800	\$2.0303	101.8	- .4
1903	.7556		100.4	- 4.5	.1104	104.1	+ 5.1		2.0925	104.6	+ 2.8
1904	.7744		102.9	+ 2.5	.1213	114.3	+ 9.9		2.1244	106.2	+ 1.5
1905	.9638		128.1	+24.5	.1083	102.1	-10.7		2.2331	111.6	+ 5.1
1906	1.0444		138.8	+ 8.4	.1263	119.0	+16.6		2.4131	120.6	+ 8.1
1907	1.0500		139.5	+ .5	.1373	129.4	+ 8.7		2.4469	122.3	+ 1.4
1908	.9938		132.0	- 5.4	.1125	106.0	-18.1		2.4938	124.6	+ 1.9
1909	1.0688	\$1.2938	142.0	+ 7.5	.1181	111.3	+ 5.0		2.4844	124.1	- .4
1910		1.2656	138.9	- 2.2	.1285	121.1	+ 8.8		2.5781	128.8	+ 3.8
1911		1.1269	123.7	-11.0	.1333	125.6	+ 3.7		2.3813	119.0	- 7.6
1912		1.1419	125.3	+ 1.3	.1288	121.4	- 3.4		2.3625	118.1	- .8
1913		1.1306	124.1	- 1.0	.1346	126.9	+ 4.5		2.1375	106.9	- 9.5
1914		1.0781	118.4	- 4.6	.1329	125.3	- 1.3		2.1375	106.9	( <sup>2</sup> )
1915		1.1944	131.2	+10.8	.1183	111.5	-11.0		2.2106	110.5	+ 3.4
1916		1.5131	166.1	+26.7	.1625	153.2	+37.4		2.5963	130.2	+17.4
<b>1916.</b>											
January		1.3500	148.2	+ 5.3	.1400	132.0	+ 3.7		2.2500	112.8	( <sup>2</sup> )
February		1.4400	158.0	+ 6.7	.1450	136.7	+ 3.6		2.2500	112.8	( <sup>2</sup> )
March		1.5075	165.5	+ 4.7	.1450	136.7	( <sup>2</sup> )		2.2500	112.8	( <sup>2</sup> )
April		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1500	141.4	+ 3.4		2.3850	119.6	+ 6.0
May		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1550	146.1	+ 3.3		2.3850	119.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
June		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1550	146.1	( <sup>2</sup> )		2.3850	119.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
July		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1550	146.1	( <sup>2</sup> )		2.8750	144.2	+20.5
August		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1600	150.8	+ 3.2		2.8750	144.2	( <sup>2</sup> )
September		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1650	155.5	+ 3.1		2.8750	144.2	( <sup>2</sup> )
October		1.5075	165.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1800	169.7	+ 9.1		2.8750	144.2	( <sup>2</sup> )
November		1.5525	170.4	+ 3.0	.1950	183.8	+ 8.3		2.8750	144.2	( <sup>2</sup> )
December		1.7350	192.6	+13.0	.2050	193.2	+ 5.1		2.8750	144.2	( <sup>2</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Average price for 1892-1899.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>3</sup> 19 to 20 ounce.<sup>4</sup> 18 to 19 ounce.<sup>5</sup> 18-ounce.<sup>6</sup> 17 to 18 ounce.<sup>7</sup> 16½ to 17½ ounce.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Underwear.									
	Cotton: men's shirts and drawers.			Cotton: women's union suits.			Shirts and drawers.			
	Average price per 12 garments.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 12 suits.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	All wool, white, average price per 12 garments.	Merino, natural, 50 per cent wool, average price per 12 garments.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>										
1890						24.75		106.2		
1891						25.65		110.0	+ 3.6	
1892						25.65		110.0	(1)	
1893						25.65		110.0	(1)	
1894						21.60		92.7	-15.8	
1895						21.60		92.7	(1)	
1896						21.60		92.7	(1)	
1897						21.60		92.7	(1)	
1898						21.60		92.7	(1)	
1899						23.40		100.4	+ 8.3	
1900						23.40		100.4	(1)	
1901						23.40		100.4	(1)	
1902						23.40		100.4	(1)	
1903						23.40		100.4	(1)	
1904						23.40		100.4	(1)	
1905						23.40		100.4	(1)	
1906						27.00		115.8	+15.4	
1907						27.00		115.8	(1)	
1908						27.00		115.8	(1)	
1909						27.00		115.8	(1)	
1910						27.00		115.8	(1)	
1911						27.00		115.8	(1)	
1912						27.00	\$12.6900	115.8	(1)	
1913	\$4.2500	(2)		8.2500	(2)		12.6900	115.8	(1)	
1914	4.2500	(2)	(1)	8.2500	(2)	(1)	12.6900	115.8	(1)	
1915	4.1875	(2)	- 1.5	8.2500	(2)	(1)	12.6900	115.8	(1)	
1916	4.6094	(2)	+10.1	9.0313	(2)	+ 9.5	13.5475	123.6	+ 6.8	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	4.2500	(2)	+ 1.5	8.5000	(2)	+ 3.0	12.6900	115.8	(1)	
February	4.2500	(2)	(1)	8.5000	(2)	(1)	12.6900	115.8	(1)	
March	4.2500	(2)	(1)	8.5000	(2)	(1)	12.6900	115.8	(1)	
April	4.4375	(2)	+ 4.4	8.8750	(2)	+ 4.4	13.5000	123.2	+ 6.4	
May	4.4375	(2)	(1)	8.8750	(2)	(1)	13.5000	123.2	(1)	
June	4.4375	(2)	(1)	8.8750	(2)	(1)	13.5000	123.2	(1)	
July	4.5000	(2)	+ 1.4	9.0000	(2)	+ 1.4	13.5000	123.2	(1)	
August	4.5000	(2)	(1)	9.0000	(2)	(1)	13.5000	123.2	(1)	
September	4.5625	(2)	+ 1.4	9.0000	(2)	(1)	13.5000	123.2	(1)	
October	4.6875	(2)	+ 2.7	9.2500	(2)	+ 2.8	13.5000	123.2	(1)	
November	5.0000	(2)	+ 6.7	9.5000	(2)	+ 2.7	15.0000	136.9	+11.1	
December	6.0000	(2)	+20.0	10.5000	(2)	+10.5	15.0000	136.9	(1)	

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed.

For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Underwear.				Women's dress goods: all wool.					
	Shirts and drawers, merino, white, full-fashioned, 52 per cent wool, 48 per cent cotton, 24-gauge, average price per 12 garments.	Shirts and drawers, merino, white, 60 per cent wool, average price per 12 garments.	Union suits, merino, natural, 40 per cent wool, light weight, average price per 12 suits.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Cashmere, 10-11 twill, 38-inch, Atlantic Mills J, average price per yard.	Cashmere, 8-9 twill, 35-inch, Atlantic Mills, average price per yard.	French serge, 35-36 inches, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$15.57</b>			<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.2905</b>		<b>100.0</b>		
1890.	16.65			106.9		3479		119.8		
1891.	17.55			112.7	+5.4	3663		126.1	+ 5.3	
1892.	17.55			112.7	(1)	3724		128.2	+ 1.7	
1893.	17.55			112.7	(1)	3247		111.8	-12.8	
1894.	14.85			95.4	-15.4	2450		84.3	-24.5	
1895.	14.40			92.5	- 3.0	2352		81.0	- 4.0	
1896.	14.40			92.5	(1)	1960		67.5	-16.7	
1897.	14.40			92.5	(1)	2389		82.2	+21.9	
1898.	14.85			95.4	+ 3.1	2573		88.6	+ 7.7	
1899.	13.50			86.7	- 9.1	3208		110.4	+24.7	
1900.	14.85			95.4	+10.0	3459		119.1	+ 7.8	
1901.	14.85			95.4	(1)	3234		111.3	- 6.5	
1902.	14.85	\$16.20		95.4	(1)	3234		111.3	(1)	
1903.		16.20		95.4	(1)	3320		114.3	+ 2.7	
1904.		16.20		95.4	(1)	3418		117.7	+ 3.0	
1905.		16.20		95.4	(1)	3730		128.4	+ 9.1	
1906.		18.00		106.0	+11.1	3920		134.9	+ 5.1	
1907.		18.00		106.0	(1)	3920	\$0.3381	134.9	(1)	
1908.		18.00		106.0	(1)		.3185	127.1	- 5.8	
1909.		18.00		106.0	(1)		.3479	138.8	+ 9.2	
1910.		18.00		106.0	(1)		.3675	146.6	+ 5.6	
1911.		18.00		106.0	(1)		.3536	141.1	- 3.8	
1912.		18.00	\$8.4600	106.0	(1)		.3459	138.0	- 2.2	
1913.			8.4600	106.0	(1)		.3442	137.3	- .5	
1914.			8.4600	106.0	(1)		.3185	\$0.3146	127.1	- 7.4
1915.			8.4600	106.0	(1)			.3325	134.3	+ 5.7
1916.			9.3650	117.3	+10.7			.4392	177.4	+32.1
<b>1916.</b>										
January.			8.4600	106.0	(1)			.3350	135.3	- 5.6
February.			8.4600	106.0	(1)			.3850	155.5	+14.9
March.			8.4600	106.0	(1)			.3850	155.5	(1)
April.			9.0000	112.8	+ 6.4			.3850	155.5	(1)
May.			9.0000	112.8	(1)			.3850	155.5	(1)
June.			9.0000	112.8	(1)			.4100	165.6	+ 6.5
July.			9.0000	112.8	(1)			.4350	175.7	+ 6.1
August.			9.0000	112.8	(1)			.4750	191.9	+ 9.2
September.			9.0000	112.8	(1)			.5000	202.0	+ 5.3
October.			9.0000	112.8	(1)			.5000	202.0	(1)
November.			12.0000	150.4	+33.3			.5250	212.1	+ 5.0
December.			12.0000	150.4	(1)			.5500	222.2	+ 4.8

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Women's dress goods.								
	All wool.				Cotton warp: cashmere.				
	Franklin sackings, 54-inch, average price per yard.	Panama cloth, 54-inch, average price per yard.	Storm serge, double warp, 50-inch, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	27-inch, Hamilton, average price per yard.	36-inch, Hamilton, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.5151</b>			<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.0883</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890	.5938			115.3		.0980		111.0	
1891	.6175			119.9	+ 4.0	.0980		111.0	( <sup>1</sup> )
1892	.6175			119.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0968		109.6	- 1.2
1893	.6056			117.6	- 1.9	.0937		106.1	- 3.2
1894	.4888			96.8	-17.6	.0907		102.7	- 3.2
1895	.4342			84.3	-13.0	.0846		95.8	- 6.7
1896	.4156			80.7	+ 4.3	.0821		93.0	- 3.0
1897	.4235			82.2	+ 1.9	.0784		88.8	- 4.5
1898	.4552			88.4	+ 7.5	.0784		88.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
1899	.4889			94.9	+ 7.4	.0821		93.0	+ 4.7
1900	.6096			118.3	+24.7	.0882		99.9	+ 7.4
1901	.5383			104.5	-11.7	.0907		102.7	+ 2.8
1902	.5581			108.3	+ 3.7	.0901		102.0	- .7
1903	.5898			114.5	+ 5.7	.0894		101.2	- .8
1904	.5839			113.4	- 1.0	.0976		110.5	+ 9.2
1905	.6749			131.0	+15.6	.1072	\$0.1862	121.4	+ 9.8
1906	.6808			133.3	+ 1.8		.1911	124.6	+ 2.6
1907	.6531	\$0.6983		126.8	- 4.9		.1960	127.8	+ 2.6
1908		.6983		126.8	( <sup>1</sup> )		.1911	124.6	- 2.5
1909		.7041		127.9	+ .8		.1891	123.3	- 1.0
1910		.6952		126.3	- 1.3		.1911	124.6	+ 1.1
1911		.6707		121.9	- 3.5		.1895	123.9	- .8
1912		.6517		118.5	- 2.8		.1862	121.4	- 1.7
1913		.6235	\$0.5626	113.4	- 4.3		.1862	121.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1914			.5002	100.8	-11.1		.1862	121.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915			.5574	112.3	+11.4		.1895	123.6	+ 1.8
1916			.7615	153.5	+36.6		.2577	168.0	+36.0
<b>1916.</b>									
January			.6860	133.3	+10.2		.2107	137.4	+ 7.5
February			.6860	133.3	( <sup>1</sup> )		.2205	143.8	+ 4.7
March			.6860	133.3	( <sup>1</sup> )		.2303	150.2	+ 4.4
April			.6860	133.3	( <sup>1</sup> )		.2303	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )
May			.7350	148.1	+ 7.1		.2303	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )
June			.7350	148.1	( <sup>1</sup> )		.2303	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )
July			.7595	153.1	+ 3.3		.2450	159.7	+ 6.4
August			.8330	167.9	+ 9.7		.2695	175.7	+10.0
September			.8330	167.9	( <sup>1</sup> )		.2695	175.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
October			.8330	167.9	( <sup>1</sup> )		.2695	175.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
November			.8330	167.9	( <sup>1</sup> )		.3130	223.6	+27.3
December			.8330	167.9	( <sup>1</sup> )		.3130	223.6	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.								
	Women's dress goods: cotton warp.								
	Cashmere, 22-inch, Hamilton, average price per yard.	Poplar cloth, worsted filling, 36-inch, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Alpaca, 22-inch, Hamilton, average price per yard.	Danish cloth, worsted filling, 22-inch, average price per yard.	Sicilian cloth, 50-inch, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0758</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.0680</b>			<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.0833		109.9		.0735			108.1	
1891.....	.0833		109.9	(1)	.0735			108.1	(1)
1892.....	.0821		108.3	-1.4	.0723			106.3	-1.6
1893.....	.0809		106.7	-1.5	.0711			104.6	-1.7
1894.....	.0760		100.3	-6.1	.0686			100.9	-3.5
1895.....	.0735		97.0	-3.3	.0637			93.7	-7.1
1896.....	.0711		93.8	-3.3	.0637			93.7	(1)
1897.....	.0686		90.5	-3.5	.0637			93.7	(1)
1898.....	.0686		90.5	(1)	.0637			93.7	(1)
1899.....	.0706		93.1	+2.9	.0657			96.6	+3.1
1900.....	.0760		100.3	+7.6	.0711			104.6	+8.2
1901.....	.0760		100.3	(1)	.0711			104.6	(1)
1902.....	.0754		99.5	-.8	.0705			103.7	-.8
1903.....	.0741		97.8	-1.7	.0690			101.5	-2.1
1904.....	.0809	\$.1850	106.7	+9.2	.0764	\$.1125		112.4	+10.7
1905.....		.1867	107.7	+ .9		.1150		114.9	+ 2.2
1906.....		.1900	109.6	+1.8		.1217		121.6	+ 5.8
1907.....		.1908	110.1	+ .4		.1250	\$.3491	124.9	+ 2.7
1908.....		.1967	113.5	+3.1			.3491	124.9	(1)
1909.....		.1908	110.1	-3.0			.3317	118.7	- 5.0
1910.....		.2000	115.4	+4.8			.3383	121.1	+ 2.0
1911.....		.1992	114.9	-.4			.3282	117.5	- 3.0
1912.....		.1900	109.6	-4.6			.3267	117.0	-.5
1913.....		.1900	109.6	(1)			.3234	115.8	-1.0
1914.....		.1900	109.6	(1)			.2809	100.6	-13.1
1915.....		.1933	111.5	+1.7			.3116	111.6	+10.9
1916.....		.2067	119.2	+6.9			.4549	162.8	+46.0
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....		.2000	115.4	(1)			.4067	145.5	+18.6
February.....		.2000	115.4	(1)			.4067	145.5	(1)
March.....		.2000	115.4	(1)			.4067	145.5	(1)
April.....		.2000	115.4	(1)			.4067	145.5	(1)
May.....		.2100	121.1	+5.0			.4067	145.5	(1)
June.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.4263	152.5	+ 4.8
July.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.4263	152.5	(1)
August.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.5145	184.1	+20.7
September.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.5145	184.1	(1)
October.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.5145	184.1	(1)
November.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.5145	184.1	(1)
December.....		.2100	121.1	(1)			.5145	184.1	(1)

1 Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.						
	Women's dress goods.			Wool: Ohio, fine fleece (X and XX grades), scoured.			
	Cashmere, cotton warp, Atlantic Mills F, average price per yard.	Broad-cloth, all-wool, 53-54 inches, average price per yard.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0. 520</b>		<b>100. 0</b>		<b>\$0. 526</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	
1890.....	.1813		119. 3		.7156	129. 5	
1891.....	.1813		119. 3	(1)	.6857	124. 1	- 4. 2
1892.....	.1789		117. 7	- 1. 3	.6119	110. 7	-10. 8
1893.....	.1495		98. 4	-16. 4	.5639	102. 0	- 7. 8
1894.....	.1348		88. 7	- 9. 8	.4448	80. 5	-21. 1
1895.....	.1274		83. 8	- 5. 5	.3768	68. 2	-15. 3
1896.....	.1270		83. 6	- . 3	.3940	71. 3	+ 4. 6
1897.....	.1372		90. 3	+ 8. 0	.4955	89. 7	+25. 8
1898.....	.1434		94. 3	+ 4. 5	.6150	111. 3	+24. 1
1899.....	.1593		104. 8	+11. 1	.6232	112. 8	+ 1. 3
1900.....	.1642		108. 0	+ 3. 1	.6594	119. 3	+ 5. 8
1901.....	.1585		104. 3	- 3. 5	.5453	98. 7	-17. 3
1902.....	.1642		108. 0	+ 3. 6	.5770	104. 4	+ 5. 8
1903.....	.1679		110. 5	+ 2. 3	.6546	118. 5	+13. 4
1904.....	.1740		114. 5	+ 3. 6	.6862	124. 2	+ 4. 8
1905.....	.2017		132. 7	+15. 9	.7591	137. 4	+10. 6
1906.....	.2156		141. 8	+ 6. 9	.7181	129. 9	- 5. 4
1907.....	.2234		147. 0	+ 3. 6	.7181	129. 9	(1)
1908.....	.2107		138. 6	- 5. 7	.7163	129. 6	- . 3
1909.....	.2230		146. 7	+ 5. 8	.7376	133. 5	+ 3. 0
1910.....	.2279		149. 9	+ 2. 2	.6862	124. 2	- 7. 0
1911.....	.2181		143. 5	- 4. 3	.6472	117. 1	- 5. 7
1912.....	.2181		143. 5	(1)	.6472	117. 1	(1)
1913.....	.2107		138. 6	- 3. 4	.5887	106. 5	- 9. 0
1914.....	.2009	\$1. 0385	132. 1	- 4. 7	.5789	104. 7	- 1. 7
1915.....		1. 1722	149. 1	+12. 9	.6649	120. 3	+14. 9
1916.....		1. 4841	188. 8	+26. 6	.7754	140. 3	+16. 6
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....		1. 3020	165. 6	(1)	.6957	125. 9	(1)
February.....		1. 3485	171. 5	+ 3. 6	.7174	129. 8	+ 3. 1
March.....		1. 3485	171. 5	(1)	.7391	133. 7	+ 3. 0
April.....		1. 3485	171. 5	(1)	.7391	133. 7	(1)
May.....		1. 3950	177. 4	+ 3. 4	.7391	133. 7	(1)
June.....		1. 5113	192. 2	+ 8. 3	.7609	137. 7	+ 2. 9
July.....		1. 5113	192. 2	(1)	.7609	137. 7	(1)
August.....		1. 5113	192. 2	(1)	.7826	141. 6	+ 2. 9
September.....		1. 5113	192. 2	(1)	.8043	145. 5	+ 2. 8
October.....		1. 6275	207. 0	+ 7. 7	.8261	149. 5	+ 2. 7
November.....		1. 6275	207. 0	(1)	.8478	153. 4	+ 2. 6
December.....		1. 7670	224. 8	+ 8. 6	.8913	161. 3	+ 5. 1

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Cloths and clothing.									
	Wool: Ohio, medium fleece ( $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$ grades), scoured.			Worsted yarns.						
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	2-40s, Australian fine, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	2-40s, XXX and XXXX, average price per pound.	2-32s, cross-bred stock, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0.4564</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.0183</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.0071</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....
1890	.6143	134.6	.....	1.2263	120.4	.....	1.2500	124.1	.....	.....
1891	.5820	127.5	- 5.3	1.2354	121.3	+ 0.7	1.2625	125.4	+ 1.0	.....
1892	.5276	115.6	- 9.3	1.2175	119.6	- 1.4	1.1563	114.8	- 8.4	.....
1893	.4620	101.2	-12.4	1.1342	111.4	- 6.8	1.0833	107.6	- 6.3	.....
1894	.3542	77.6	-23.3	.9292	91.3	-18.1	.9188	91.2	-15.2	.....
1895	.3280	71.9	- 7.4	.7425	72.9	-20.1	.7563	75.1	-17.7	.....
1896	.3186	69.8	- 2.9	.7250	71.2	- 2.4	.7500	74.5	- 0.8	.....
1897	.3999	87.6	+25.5	.8517	83.6	+17.5	.8188	81.3	+ 9.2	.....
1898	.4805	105.3	+20.2	1.0308	101.2	+21.0	1.0042	99.7	+22.6	.....
1899	.4966	108.8	+ 3.4	1.0908	107.1	+ 5.8	1.0708	106.3	+ 6.6	.....
1900	.5296	116.0	+ 6.6	1.2050	118.3	+10.5	1.1938	118.5	+11.5	.....
1901	.4315	94.5	-18.5	1.0404	102.2	-13.7	1.0293	102.1	-13.9	.....
1902	.4436	97.2	+ 2.8	1.1229	110.3	+ 7.9	1.1392	113.1	-10.8	.....
1903	.4658	102.1	+ 5.0	1.1771	115.6	+ 4.8	1.2125	120.4	+ 6.4	.....
1904	.4869	106.7	+ 4.5	1.1875	116.6	+ 0.9	1.1717	116.3	- 3.4	.....
1905	.5348	117.2	+ 9.8	1.2525	123.0	+ 5.5	1.2733	126.4	+ 8.7	.....
1906	.5125	112.3	- 4.2	1.2933	127.0	+ 3.3	1.3092	130.0	+ 2.8	.....
1907	.5158	113.0	+ 0.6	1.2967	127.3	+ 0.3	1.2933	\$0.9000	128.4	- 1.2
1908	.4899	107.3	- 5.0	1.2300	120.8	- 5.1	.8017	8017	114.4	-10.9
1909	.5429	119.0	+10.8	1.3067	128.3	+ 6.2	.9233	9233	131.8	+15.2
1910	.4884	107.0	-10.0	1.2521	123.0	- 4.2	.8692	8692	124.1	- 5.9
1911	.4490	98.4	- 8.1	1.2063	118.5	- 3.7	.7875	7875	112.4	- 9.4
1912	.4792	105.0	+ 6.7	1.2200	119.8	+ 1.1	.8283	8283	118.2	+ 5.2
1913	.4710	103.2	- 1.7	1.1754	115.4	- 3.7	.7767	7767	110.8	- 6.2
1914	.4398	96.4	- 6.6	1.0271	100.9	-12.6	.6400	6400	91.3	-17.6
1915	.5714	125.2	+29.9	1.1050	108.5	+ 7.6	.7875	7875	112.3	+23.0
1916	.6798	148.9	+19.0	1.4792	145.3	+33.9	1.0500	10500	149.8	+33.3
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.6429	140.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.2000	117.8	+ 2.1	.8800	8800	125.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
February	.6571	144.0	+ 2.2	1.3000	127.7	+ 8.3	.8800	8800	125.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
March	.6714	147.1	+ 2.2	1.4000	137.5	+ 7.7	.9200	9200	131.3	+ 4.5
April	.6857	150.2	+ 2.1	1.4250	139.9	+ 1.8	.9500	9500	135.5	+ 3.3
May	.6714	147.1	- 2.1	1.4500	142.4	+ 1.8	1.0000	10000	142.7	+ 5.3
June	.6714	147.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.4750	144.8	+ 1.7	1.1000	11000	156.9	+10.0
July	.6857	150.2	+ 2.1	1.4750	144.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.1000	11000	156.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
August	.6857	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.5250	149.8	+ 3.4	1.1000	11000	156.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
September	.6857	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.5750	154.7	+ 3.3	1.1200	11200	159.8	+ 1.8
October	.6857	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.6250	159.6	+ 3.2	1.1500	11500	164.1	+ 2.7
November	.6857	150.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.6500	162.0	+ 1.5	1.2000	12000	171.2	+ 4.3
December	.7286	159.6	+ 6.3	1.6500	162.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.2000	12000	171.2	( <sup>1</sup> )

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Fuel and lighting.								
	Alcohol: denatured, 180 proof.			Candles: adamantine, 6s, 14-ounce.			Coal: anthracite, broken.		
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$0.0782</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$3.3669</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890				.0800	102.3		3.4858	103.5	
1891				.0800	102.3	(1)	3.4433	102.3	- 1.2
1892				.0800	102.3	(1)	3.6152	107.4	+ 5.0
1893				.0883	112.9	+10.4	3.5628	105.8	- 1.4
1894				.0867	110.9	- 1.8	3.4172	101.5	- 4.1
1895				.0850	108.7	- 2.0	3.2833	97.5	- 3.9
1896				.0850	108.7	(1)	3.2691	97.1	- .4
1897				.0745	95.3	-12.4	3.2465	96.4	- .7
1898				.0613	78.4	-17.7	3.2108	95.4	- 1.1
1899				.0613	78.4	(1)	3.1350	93.1	- 2.4
1900				.1059	135.4	+72.8	3.2706	97.1	+ 4.3
1901				.1100	140.7	+ 3.9	3.5508	105.5	+ 8.6
1902				.1100	140.7	(1)	3.7186	110.4	+ 4.7
1903				.0996	127.4	- 9.5	4.2496	126.2	+14.3
1904				.0900	115.1	- 9.6	4.2473	126.1	- .1
1905				.0858	109.7	- 4.7	4.2134	125.1	- .8
1906				.0766	98.0	-10.7	4.2021	124.8	- .3
1907				.0741	94.8	- 3.3	4.2040	124.9	+ (2)
1908				.0731	93.5	- 1.3	4.2019	124.8	- (2)
1909				.0725	92.7	- .8	4.2003	124.8	- (2)
1910				.0725	92.7	(1)	4.2000	124.7	- (2)
1911				.0725	92.7	(1)	4.1994	124.7	- (2)
1912				.0725	92.7	(1)	4.3542	129.3	+ 3.7
1913	\$0.3658	(3)		.0725	92.7	(1)	4.4459	132.0	+ 2.1
1914	.3383	(3)	- 7.5	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.4502	132.1	+ .1
1915	.3717	(3)	+ 9.9	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.4442	132.0	- .1
1916	.5625	(3)	+51.3	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.6922	139.4	+ 5.6
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.5000	(3)	+ 8.7	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.5074	133.9	+ 1.2
February	.5500	(3)	+10.0	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.4784	133.0	- .6
March	.5900	(3)	+ 7.3	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.4384	131.8	- .9
April	.5900	(3)	(1)	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.4614	132.5	+ .5
May	.5900	(3)	(1)	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.6340	137.6	+ 3.9
June	.5900	(3)	(1)	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.7780	141.8	+ 3.0
July	.5900	(3)	(1)	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.8321	143.5	+ 1.2
August	.4900	(3)	-16.9	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.8155	143.0	- .3
September	.4900	(3)	(1)	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.8408	143.8	+ .5
October	.5400	(3)	+10.2	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.8381	143.7	- .1
November	.5900	(3)	+ 9.3	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.8432	143.8	+ .1
December	.6400	(3)	+ 8.5	.0725	92.7	(1)	4.8441	143.9	+ (2)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>3</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Fuel and lighting.								
	Coal: anthracite.								
	Chestnut.			Egg.			Stove.		
	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$3. 5953</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$3. 5936</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$3. 7949</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	3. 3533	93. 3	.....	3. 6142	100. 6	.....	3. 7108	97. 8	.....
1891.....	3. 4578	96. 7	+ 3. 7	3. 7508	104. 4	+ 3. 8	3. 8542	101. 6	+ 3. 9
1892.....	3. 9443	109. 7	+13. 5	3. 9803	110. 8	+ 6. 1	4. 1532	109. 4	+ 7. 8
1893.....	4. 1673	115. 9	+ 5. 7	3. 8520	107. 2	- 3. 2	4. 1931	110. 5	+ 1. 0
1894.....	3. 5416	98. 5	-15. 0	3. 3903	94. 3	-12. 0	3. 6003	94. 9	-14. 1
1895.....	2. 9793	82. 9	-15. 9	3. 0296	84. 3	-10. 6	3. 1264	82. 4	-13. 2
1896.....	3. 5561	98. 9	+19. 4	3. 5490	98. 8	+17. 1	3. 7942	100. 0	+21. 4
1897.....	3. 7366	103. 9	+ 5. 1	3. 7986	105. 7	+ 7. 0	4. 0146	105. 8	+ 5. 8
1898.....	3. 5525	98. 8	- 4. 9	3. 5993	100. 2	- 5. 2	3. 7978	100. 1	+ 5. 4
1899.....	3. 6458	101. 4	+ 2. 6	3. 3714	93. 8	- 6. 3	3. 7047	97. 6	- 2. 5
1900.....	3. 9166	108. 9	+ 7. 4	3. 5843	99. 7	+ 6. 3	3. 9451	104. 0	+ 6. 5
1901.....	4. 3270	120. 4	+10. 5	4. 0565	112. 9	+13. 2	4. 3224	113. 9	+ 9. 6
1902.....	4. 4597	124. 0	+ 3. 1	4. 3673	121. 5	+ 7. 7	4. 4627	117. 6	+ 3. 2
1903.....	4. 8251	134. 2	+ 8. 2	4. 8251	134. 3	+10. 5	4. 8245	127. 1	+ 8. 1
1904.....	4. 8250	134. 2	- (1)	4. 8227	134. 2	- (2)	4. 8246	127. 1	+ (1)
1905.....	4. 8226	134. 1	- (2)	4. 8246	134. 3	+ (2)	4. 8226	127. 1	- (1)
1906.....	4. 8601	135. 2	+ . 8	4. 8629	135. 3	+ . 8	4. 8615	128. 1	+ . 8
1907.....	4. 8204	134. 1	- . 8	4. 8211	134. 2	- . 9	4. 8215	127. 1	- . 8
1908.....	4. 8206	134. 1	+ (2)	4. 8203	134. 1	- (2)	4. 8226	127. 1	+ (1)
1909.....	4. 8198	134. 1	- (2)	4. 7853	133. 2	- . 7	4. 8196	127. 0	- . 1
1910.....	4. 8129	133. 9	- . 1	4. 8126	133. 9	+ . 6	4. 8178	127. 0	- (1)
1911.....	4. 9985	139. 0	+ 3. 9	4. 8072	133. 8	- . 1	4. 8063	126. 7	- . 2
1912.....	5. 2813	146. 9	+ 5. 7	5. 0303	140. 0	+ 4. 6	5. 0329	132. 6	+ 4. 7
1913.....	5. 3134	147. 8	+ . 6	5. 0336	140. 9	+ . 7	5. 0613	133. 4	+ . 6
1914.....	5. 3145	147. 8	+ (1)	5. 0592	140. 8	- . 1	5. 0607	133. 4	- (1)
1915.....	5. 3256	148. 1	+ . 2	5. 0464	140. 4	- . 3	5. 0446	132. 9	- . 3
1916.....	5. 5652	154. 8	+ 4. 5	5. 2906	147. 2	+ 4. 8	5. 4540	143. 7	+ 8. 1
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	5. 4838	152. 5	+ 1. 9	5. 2726	146. 7	+ 1. 6	5. 2639	138. 7	+ 1. 8
February.....	5. 4852	152. 6	+ (2)	5. 2770	146. 8	+ . 3	5. 2588	138. 6	- . 1
March.....	5. 5066	153. 2	+ . 4	5. 2780	146. 9	+ (2)	5. 2742	139. 0	+ . 3
April.....	5. 5196	153. 5	+ . 2	5. 2949	147. 3	+ . 3	5. 2876	139. 3	+ . 3
May.....	5. 3320	148. 3	- 3. 4	5. 0380	140. 2	- 4. 9	5. 2740	139. 0	- . 3
June.....	5. 4309	151. 1	+ 1. 9	5. 1082	142. 1	+ 1. 4	5. 3713	141. 5	+ 1. 8
July.....	5. 5071	153. 2	+ 1. 4	5. 2092	145. 0	+ 2. 0	5. 4495	143. 6	+ 1. 5
August.....	5. 6109	156. 1	+ 1. 9	5. 3057	147. 6	+ 1. 9	5. 5570	146. 4	+ 2. 0
September.....	5. 7155	159. 0	+ 1. 9	5. 3990	150. 2	+ 1. 8	5. 6625	149. 2	+ 1. 9
October.....	5. 7280	159. 3	+ . 2	5. 4210	150. 9	+ . 4	5. 6744	149. 5	+ . 2
November.....	5. 7285	159. 3	+ (1)	5. 4338	151. 2	+ . 2	5. 6946	150. 1	+ . 4
December.....	5. 7340	159. 5	+ . 1	5. 4500	151. 7	+ . 3	5. 6801	149. 7	- . 3

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Fuel and lighting.							
	Coal: bituminous.				Coal: semibituminous.			
	Pittsburgh (Youghiogheney), at Cincinnati, average price per bushel.	Pittsburgh, run of mine, f. o. b. Cincinnati, average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Georges Creek (at mine), average price per long ton.	New River, f. o. b. Cincinnati, average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$.0643</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$.8887</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.0664		103.3		.8625		97.1	
1891.....	.0789		122.7	+18.8	.9500		106.9	+10.1
1892.....	.0749		116.5	-5.1	.9000		101.3	-5.3
1893.....	.0758		117.9	+1.2	.9208		103.6	+2.3
1894.....	.0634		98.6	-16.4	.8208		92.4	-10.9
1895.....	.0600		93.3	-5.4	.7750		87.2	-5.6
1896.....	.0573		89.1	-4.5	.9000		101.3	+16.1
1897.....	.0570		88.6	-5	.8333		93.8	-7.4
1898.....	.0565		87.9	-9	.9125		102.7	+9.5
1899.....	.0531		82.6	-6.0	1.0125		113.9	+11.0
1900.....	.0752		117.0	+41.6	1.2000		135.0	+18.5
1901.....	.0752		117.0	(1)	1.3375		150.5	+11.5
1902.....	.0787		122.4	+4.7	2.1250		239.1	+58.9
1903.....	.0925		143.9	+17.5	2.3958		269.6	+12.7
1904.....	.0852		132.5	-7.9	1.7500		196.9	-27.0
1905.....	.0800		124.4	-6.1	1.6000		180.0	-8.6
1906.....	.0789		122.7	-1.4	1.5500		174.4	-3.1
1907.....	.0824		128.1	+4.4	1.5375		173.0	-8
1908.....	.0851		132.3	+3.3	1.4417		162.2	-6.2
1909.....	.0809		125.9	-4.9	1.3792		155.2	-4.3
1910.....	.0805		125.2	-5	1.4083		158.5	+2.1
1911.....	.0826		128.5	+2.6	1.4458		162.7	+2.7
1912.....	.0804		125.0	-2.7	1.4625		164.6	+1.2
1913.....	.0836	\$2.2000	130.0	+4.0	1.5083	\$2.4125	169.7	+3.1
1914.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.4000	168.7	-5
1915.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.4500	172.2	+2.1
1916.....		2.6750	158.1	+21.6		3.0667	215.7	+25.2
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.5000	175.9	(1)
February.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.5000	175.9	(1)
March.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.5000	175.9	(1)
April.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.4500	172.3	-2.6
May.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.4500	172.3	(1)
June.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.4500	172.3	(1)
July.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.4500	172.3	(1)
August.....		2.2000	130.0	(1)		2.6000	182.9	+6.1
September.....		2.5000	147.7	+13.6		2.6000	182.9	(1)
October.....		3.7500	221.6	+50.0		3.6000	253.2	+38.5
November.....		3.7500	221.6	(1)		4.5000	323.6	+27.8
December.....		4.5000	265.9	+20.0		6.1000	429.1	+32.6

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Fuel and lighting.						
	Coal: semibituminous.				Coke: Connellsville, furnace.		
	Georges Creek, f. o. b. New York Harbor, average price per long ton.	Pocahontas, f. o. b. Norfolk, Va., average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$2.7429</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.6983</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	2.9875	.....	108.9	.....	2.0833	122.7	.....
1891.....	3.0313	.....	110.5	+ 1.5	1.8750	110.4	-10.0
1892.....	2.9313	.....	106.9	- 3.3	1.8083	106.5	- 3.6
1893.....	2.9500	.....	107.6	+ .6	1.4792	87.1	-18.2
1894.....	2.7375	.....	99.8	- 7.2	1.0583	62.3	-28.5
1895.....	2.8125	.....	102.5	+ 2.7	1.3250	78.0	+25.2
1896.....	2.6625	.....	97.1	- 5.3	1.8750	110.4	+41.5
1897.....	2.4417	.....	89.0	- 8.3	1.6167	95.2	-13.8
1898.....	2.1750	.....	79.3	-10.9	1.6771	98.8	+ 3.7
1899.....	2.7000	.....	98.4	+24.1	2.1854	128.7	+30.3
1900.....	2.9083	.....	106.0	+ 7.7	2.6458	155.8	+21.1
1901.....	2.9250	.....	106.6	+ .6	1.9625	115.6	-25.8
1902.....	4.0583	.....	148.0	+38.7	2.6875	158.2	+36.9
1903.....	4.4375	.....	161.8	+ 9.3	2.9125	171.5	+ 8.4
1904.....	3.1958	.....	116.5	-28.0	1.6375	96.4	-43.8
1905.....	3.1500	.....	114.8	- 1.4	2.2875	134.7	+39.7
1906.....	3.1250	.....	113.9	- .8	2.6750	157.5	+16.9
1907.....	3.2375	.....	118.0	+ 3.6	2.8250	166.3	+ 5.6
1908.....	3.0792	.....	112.3	- 4.9	1.7083	100.6	-39.5
1909.....	3.0517	.....	111.3	- .9	2.0021	117.9	+17.2
1910.....	3.0467	.....	111.1	- .2	1.9688	115.9	- 1.7
1911.....	3.0208	.....	110.1	- .9	1.6417	96.7	-16.6
1912.....	3.1258	.....	114.0	+ 3.5	2.4000	141.3	+46.2
1913.....	3.0542	.....	111.3	- 2.3	2.4396	143.6	+ 1.7
1914.....	.....	\$3.0000	111.3	(1)	1.8083	106.4	-25.9
1915.....	.....	2.8500	105.7	- 5.0	1.7854	105.1	- 1.3
1916.....	.....	3.7292	138.4	+30.8	3.2458	191.1	+81.8
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	+ 5.3	2.8750	169.3	+25.0
February.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	(1)	2.6250	154.6	- 8.7
March.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	(1)	3.0000	176.6	+14.3
April.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	(1)	2.8250	166.3	- 5.8
May.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	(1)	2.3750	139.8	-15.9
June.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	(1)	2.6250	154.6	+10.5
July.....	.....	3.0000	111.3	(1)	2.6250	154.6	(1)
August.....	.....	3.2500	120.6	+ 8.3	2.6250	154.6	(1)
September.....	.....	4.0000	148.4	+23.1	2.7500	161.9	+ 4.8
October.....	.....	4.5000	167.0	+12.5	3.1250	184.0	+13.6
November.....	.....	6.0000	222.6	+33.3	5.7500	338.6	+84.0
December.....	.....	6.0000	222.6	(1)	5.7500	338.6	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Fuel and lighting.									
	Gasoline: motor.			Matches.			Petroleum: crude.			
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Parlor, domestic, average price per 144 boxes.	Globe No. 1, average price per 144 boxes.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> .....				<b>\$1.7583</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.9102</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....				1.9583		111.5		.8680	95.4	
1891.....				1.7500		99.6	-10.6	.6697	73.6	-22.8
1892.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	.5564	61.1	-16.9
1893.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	.6399	70.3	+15.0
1894.....				1.6667		94.9	-4.8	.8389	92.2	+31.1
1895.....				1.6875		96.1	+1.2	1.3581	149.2	+61.9
1896.....				1.7500		99.6	+3.7	1.1789	129.5	-13.2
1897.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	.7869	86.5	-33.3
1898.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	.9118	100.2	+15.9
1899.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	1.2934	142.1	+41.9
1900.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	1.3521	148.5	+4.5
1901.....				1.7500		99.6	(1)	1.2095	132.9	-10.5
1902.....				1.5833		90.1	-9.5	1.2369	135.9	+2.3
1903.....				1.5000		85.4	-5.3	1.5886	174.5	+28.4
1904.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.6270	178.8	+2.4
1905.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.3842	152.1	-14.9
1906.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.5975	175.5	+15.4
1907.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.7342	190.5	+8.6
1908.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.7800	195.6	+2.6
1909.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.6633	182.7	-6.6
1910.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.3442	147.7	-19.2
1911.....				1.5000		85.4	(1)	1.3000	142.8	-3.3
1912.....				1.5000	\$0.9500	85.4	(1)	1.5750	173.0	+21.2
1913.....	\$0.1683	(2)		.9500	.9500	85.4	(1)	2.4500	269.2	+55.6
1914.....	.1442	(2)	-14.3	.9500	.9500	85.4	(1)	1.9167	210.5	-21.8
1915.....	.1383	(2)	-4.1	.9875	.9875	88.7	+3.9	1.5292	168.0	-20.2
1916.....	.2300	(2)	+66.3	1.2250	1.2250	110.1	+24.1	2.4833	272.8	+62.4
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.2100	(2)	+10.5	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	+20.0	2.2500	247.2	+12.5
February.....	.2200	(2)	+4.8	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.3500	258.2	+4.4
March.....	.2400	(2)	+9.1	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.4000	263.7	+2.1
April.....	.2400	(2)	(1)	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.6000	285.7	+8.3
May.....	.2400	(2)	(1)	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.6000	285.7	(1)
June.....	.2400	(2)	(1)	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.6000	285.7	(1)
July.....	.2400	(2)	(1)	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.6000	285.7	(1)
August.....	.2400	(2)	(1)	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.5000	274.7	-3.8
September.....	.2300	(2)	-4.2	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.3000	252.7	-8.0
October.....	.2200	(2)	-4.3	1.2000	1.2000	107.9	(1)	2.4000	263.7	+4.3
November.....	.2200	(2)	(1)	1.3500	1.3500	121.4	+12.5	2.6000	285.7	+8.3
December.....	.2200	(2)	(1)	1.3500	1.3500	121.4	(1)	2.6000	285.7	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Fuel and lighting.					
	Petroleum.					
	Refined: for export.			Refined: 150° fire test, water-white.		
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0649</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0890</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.0733	112.9	.....	.0995	111.8	.....
1891.....	.0685	105.5	- 6.5	.0879	98.8	-11.7
1892.....	.0609	93.8	-11.1	.0794	89.2	- 9.7
1893.....	.0522	80.4	-14.3	.0725	81.5	- 8.7
1894.....	.0515	79.4	- 1.3	.0725	81.5	(1)
1895.....	.0711	109.6	+38.1	.0922	103.6	+27.2
1896.....	.0702	108.2	- 1.3	.1039	116.7	+12.7
1897.....	.0597	92.0	-15.0	.0900	101.1	-13.4
1898.....	.0628	96.8	+ 5.2	.0909	102.1	+ 1.0
1899.....	.0791	121.9	+26.0	.1015	114.0	+11.7
1900.....	.0854	131.6	+ 8.0	.1188	133.5	+17.0
1901.....	.0749	115.4	-12.3	.1096	123.1	- 7.7
1902.....	.0734	113.1	- 2.0	.1108	124.5	+ 1.1
1903.....	.0860	132.5	+17.2	.1363	153.1	+23.0
1904.....	.0826	127.3	- 4.0	.1367	153.6	+ .3
1905.....	.0722	111.2	-12.6	.1263	141.9	- 7.6
1906.....	.0762	117.4	+ 5.5	.1300	146.1	+ 2.9
1907.....	.0824	127.0	+ 8.1	.1346	151.2	+ 3.5
1908.....	.0869	133.9	+ 5.5	.1350	151.7	+ .3
1909.....	.0835	128.7	- 3.9	.1225	137.6	- 9.3
1910.....	.0770	118.6	- 7.8	.1079	121.2	-11.9
1911.....	.0733	112.9	- 4.8	.0925	103.9	-14.3
1912.....	.0839	127.9	+13.2	.1117	125.5	+20.8
1913.....	.0863	133.0	+ 4.0	.1233	138.5	+10.4
1914.....	.0846	130.3	- 2.0	.1200	134.8	- 2.7
1915.....	.0767	118.2	- 9.3	.1208	135.7	+ .7
1916.....	.0877	135.1	+14.3	.1217	136.7	+ .7
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	.0865	133.3	+ 6.1	.1300	146.1	(1)
February.....	.0890	137.1	+ 2.9	.1300	146.1	(1)
March.....	.0890	137.1	(1)	.1200	134.8	- 7.7
April.....	.0895	137.9	+ .6	.1200	134.8	(1)
May.....	.0895	137.9	(1)	.1200	134.8	(1)
June.....	.0895	137.9	(1)	.1200	134.8	(1)
July.....	.0895	137.9	(1)	.1200	134.8	(1)
August.....	.0910	140.2	+ 1.7	.1200	134.8	(1)
September.....	.0885	136.4	- 2.7	.1200	134.8	(1)
October.....	.0835	128.7	- 5.6	.1200	134.8	(1)
November.....	.0835	128.7	(1)	.1200	134.8	(1)
December.....	.0835	128.7	(1)	.1200	134.8	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Augers.					Axes.			
	¾-inch, average price each.	Extra, 1-inch, average price each.	Regular, 1-inch, average price each.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	M. C. O. Yankee, average price each.	Essex, average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$. 1608</b>			<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$. 4693</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890	.1900			118.2		.5650		120.4	
1891	.1900			118.2	(1)	.5550		118.3	- 1.8
1892	.1900			118.2	(1)	.5000		106.5	- 9.9
1893	.1800			111.9	- 5.3	.5000		106.5	(1)
1894	.1542			95.9	-14.3	.4733		100.9	- 5.3
1895	.1333			82.9	-13.6	.4600		98.0	- 2.8
1896	.1394			86.7	+ 4.6	.4150		88.4	- 9.8
1897	.1425			88.6	+ 2.2	.3938		83.9	- 5.1
1898	.1425			88.6	(1)	.3750		79.9	- 4.8
1899	.1465			91.1	+ 2.8	.4555		97.1	+21.5
1900	.2000			124.4	+36.5	.4831		102.9	+ 6.1
1901	.1700			105.7	-15.0	.4166		88.8	-13.8
1902	.1800			111.9	+ 5.9	.4833		103.0	+16.0
1903	.2310			143.7	+28.3	.5050		107.6	+ 4.5
1904	.2400			149.3	+ 3.9	.5788		123.3	+14.6
1905	.3067			190.7	+27.8	.6323		134.7	+ 9.2
1906	.3567			221.8	+16.3	.6715		143.1	+ 6.2
1907	.3600	\$. 4200		223.9	+ .9	.6800		144.9	+ 1.3
1908		.4200		223.9	(1)	.6800		144.9	(1)
1909		.3723		198.5	-11.4	.6683		142.4	- 1.7
1910		.3660		195.1	- 1.7	.6813		145.2	+ 1.9
1911		.3400		181.2	- 7.1	.6500		138.5	- 4.6
1912		.3500		186.5	+ 2.9	.7000	\$. 3000	149.2	+ 7.7
1913		.3500	\$. 2300	186.5	(1)		10.8000	173.3	+16.1
1914			.2300	186.5	(1)		10.8000	173.3	(1)
1915			.2300	186.5	(1)		10.8000	173.3	(1)
1916			.2858	231.7	+24.3		12.0000	192.5	+11.1
<b>1916.</b>									
January			.2300	186.5	(1)		12.0000	192.5	+11.1
February			.2500	202.7	+ 8.7		12.0000	192.5	(1)
March			.2800	227.0	+12.0		12.0000	192.5	(1)
April			.2900	235.2	+ 3.6		12.0000	192.5	(1)
May			.2900	235.2	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)
June			.2900	235.2	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)
July			.2900	235.2	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)
August			.2900	235.2	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)
September			.2900	235.2	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)
October			.2900	235.2	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)
November			.3200	259.5	+10.3		12.0000	192.5	(1)
December			.3200	259.5	(1)		12.0000	192.5	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.						
	Bar iron.						
	Best refined, from store (Philadelphia market).			From mill (Pittsburgh market).			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding year or month.	Best re- fined, aver- age price per pound.	Common, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$.0164</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0145</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.0205	125.0	.....	.0184	.....	126.9	.....
1891.....	.0190	115.9	- 7.3	.0171	.....	117.9	- 7.1
1892.....	.0187	114.0	- 1.6	.0164	.....	113.1	- 4.1
1893.....	.0170	103.7	- 9.1	.0150	.....	103.4	- 8.5
1894.....	.0134	81.7	-21.2	.0120	.....	82.8	-20.0
1895.....	.0144	87.8	+ 7.5	.0125	.....	86.2	+ 4.2
1896.....	.0140	85.4	- 2.8	.0122	.....	84.1	- 2.4
1897.....	.0131	79.9	- 6.4	.0110	.....	75.9	- 9.8
1898.....	.0128	78.0	- 2.3	.0107	.....	73.8	- 2.7
1899.....	.0207	126.2	+61.7	.0195	.....	134.5	+82.2
1900.....	.0196	119.5	- 5.3	.0215	.....	148.3	+10.3
1901.....	.0184	112.2	- 6.1	.0180	.....	124.1	-16.3
1902.....	.0213	129.9	+15.8	.0194	.....	133.8	+ 7.8
1903.....	.0200	122.0	- 6.1	.0177	.....	122.1	- 8.8
1904.....	.0172	104.9	-14.0	.0148	.....	102.1	-16.4
1905.....	.0192	117.1	+11.6	.0187	.....	129.0	+26.4
1906.....	.0198	120.7	+ 3.1	.0169	.....	126.8	- 1.7
1907.....	.0211	128.7	+ 6.6	.0175	.....	131.3	+ 3.6
1908.....	.0170	103.7	-19.4	.0146	.....	109.5	-16.6
1909.....	.0176	107.3	+ 3.5	.0146	.....	109.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
1910.....	.0185	112.8	+ 5.1	.0155	.....	116.2	+ 6.2
1911.....	.0164	100.0	-11.4	.0130	.....	97.5	-16.1
1912.....	.0175	106.7	+ 6.7	.0138	.....	103.5	+ 6.2
1913.....	.0192	117.1	+ 9.7	.0165	.....	123.8	+19.6
1914.....	.0160	97.5	-16.7	.0127	.....	95.3	-23.0
1915.....	.0174	106.1	+ 8.8	.0130	.....	97.6	+ 2.4
1916.....	.0327	199.4	+87.9	.0258	.....	193.5	+98.5
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....	.0270	164.6	+16.4	.0198	.....	148.5	+17.9
February.....	.0284	173.2	+ 5.2	.0218	.....	163.5	+10.1
March.....	.0307	187.2	+ 8.1	.0228	.....	171.0	+ 4.6
April.....	.0319	194.5	+ 3.9	.0255	.....	191.3	+11.8
May.....	.0319	194.5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0265	.....	198.8	+ 3.9
June.....	.0319	194.5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0263	.....	197.3	- .8
July.....	.0319	194.5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0255	.....	191.3	- 3.0
August.....	.0333	203.0	+ 4.4	.0255	.....	191.3	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	.0333	203.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0265	.....	198.8	+ 3.9
October.....	.0353	215.2	+ 6.0	.0280	.....	210.0	+ 5.7
November.....	.0372	228.8	+ 5.4	.0288	.....	216.0	+ 2.9
December.....	.0392	239.0	+ 5.4	.0325	.....	243.8	+12.8

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Butts.				Chisels: socket firmer.				
	Loose-joint, cast, 3 by 3 inch, average price per pair.	Loose-pin, wrought steel, 3½ by 3½ inch, average price per pair.	Loose-pin, wrought steel, 3½ by 3½ inch, average price per dozen pairs.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Extra, 1-inch, average price each.	Regular, 1-inch, average price each.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$. 0318</b>			<b>100. 0</b>		<b>\$. 1894</b>		<b>100. 0</b>	
1890.....	.0353			111. 7		.2100		110. 9	
1891.....	.0353			111. 7	(1)	.2100		110. 9	(1)
1892.....	.0306			96. 8	-13. 3	.2100		110. 9	(1)
1893.....	.0311			98. 4	+ 1. 6	.1933		102. 1	- 8. 0
1894.....	.0303			95. 9	- 2. 6	.1733		91. 5	-10. 3
1895.....	.0317			100. 3	+ 4. 6	.1710		90. 3	- 1. 3
1896.....	.0329			104. 1	+ 3. 8	.1793		94. 7	+ 4. 9
1897.....	.0306			96. 8	- 7. 0	.1710		90. 3	- 4. 6
1898.....	.0292			92. 4	- 4. 6	.1720		90. 8	+ . 6
1899.....	.0292			92. 4	(1)	.2038		107. 6	+18. 5
1900.....	.0400			126. 6	+37. 0	.2417		127. 6	+18. 6
1901.....	.0369			116. 8	- 7. 8	.2300		121. 4	- 4. 8
1902.....	.0400			126. 6	+ 8. 4	.2700		142. 6	+17. 4
1903.....	.0400			126. 6	(1)	.2800		147. 8	+ 3. 7
1904.....	.0400			126. 6	(1)	.3000		153. 4	+ 7. 1
1905.....	.0400			126. 6	(1)	.3967		209. 5	+32. 2
1906.....	.0400			126. 6	(1)	.4138		221. 1	+ 5. 6
1907.....	.0400			126. 6	(1)	.4438		234. 3	+ 6. 0
1908.....		\$.0900		126. 6	(1)	.3750		198. 0	-15. 5
1909.....		.0927		130. 4	+ 3. 0	.3319		175. 2	-11. 5
1910.....		.1075		151. 2	+16. 0	.3475		183. 5	+ 4. 7
1911.....		.0900		126. 6	-16. 3	.2500		132. 0	-28. 1
1912.....		.0900	\$. 7200	126. 6	(1)	.2500		132. 0	(1)
1913.....			.7200	126. 6	(1)	.2500	\$. 2000	132. 0	(1)
1914.....			.7200	126. 6	(1)		.2000	132. 0	(1)
1915.....			.9600	168. 8	+33. 3		.2017	133. 2	+ . 9
1916.....			1. 6500	290. 1	+71. 9		.2617	172. 7	+29. 7
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....			1. 6500	290. 1	+71. 9		.2300	151. 8	+ 4. 5
February.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2300	151. 8	(1)
March.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2300	151. 8	(1)
April.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2300	151. 8	(1)
May.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2700	178. 2	+17. 4
June.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2700	178. 2	(1)
July.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2700	178. 2	(1)
August.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2700	178. 2	(1)
September.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2700	178. 2	(1)
October.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2800	184. 8	+ 3. 7
November.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.2800	184. 8	(1)
December.....			1. 6500	290. 1	(1)		.3100	204. 6	+10. 7

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.									
	Copper.									
	Ingot.				Sheet: hot rolled (base sizes).			Wire: bare.		
	Lake, average price per pound.	Electro- lytic, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or de- crease (-) com- pared with preced- ing year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or de- crease (-) com- pared with preced- ing year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or de- crease (-) com- pared with preced- ing year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$. 1234</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$. 1659</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$. 1464</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.1575		127.6		.2275	137.1		.1875	128.1	
1891.....	.1305		105.8	-17.1	.1900	114.5	-16.5	.1650	112.7	-12.0
1892.....	.1154		93.5	-11.6	.1600	96.4	-15.8	.1438	98.2	-12.8
1893.....	.1093		88.6	-5.3	.1500	90.4	-6.3	.1350	92.2	-6.1
1894.....	.0948		76.8	-13.3	.1425	85.9	-5.0	.1156	79.0	-14.4
1895.....	.1075		87.1	+13.4	.1425	85.9	(1)	.1238	84.6	+7.1
1896.....	.1097		88.9	+2.0	.1425	85.9	(1)	.1356	92.6	+9.5
1897.....	.1132		91.7	+3.2	.1463	88.2	+2.7	.1375	93.9	+1.4
1898.....	.1194		96.8	+5.5	.1400	84.4	-4.3	.1375	93.9	(1)
1899.....	.1767		143.2	+48.0	.2175	131.1	+55.4	.1825	124.7	+32.7
1900.....	.1661		134.6	-6.0	.2067	124.6	-5.0	.1800	123.0	-1.4
1901.....	.1687		136.7	+1.6	.2088	125.9	+1.0	.1815	124.0	+0.8
1902.....	.1201		97.3	-28.8	.1783	107.5	-14.6	.1326	90.6	-26.9
1903.....	.1368		110.9	+13.9	.1917	115.6	+7.5	.1497	102.3	+12.9
1904.....	.1311		106.2	-4.2	.1800	108.5	-6.1	.1438	98.2	-3.9
1905.....	.1576		127.7	+20.2	.1992	120.1	+10.7	.1702	116.3	+18.4
1906.....	.1961		158.9	+24.4	.2375	143.2	+19.2	.2108	144.0	+23.9
1907.....	.2125	\$. 2078	172.2	+8.4	.2792	168.3	+17.6	.2402	164.1	+13.9
1908.....		.1334	110.5	-35.8	.1792	108.0	-35.8	.1519	103.8	-36.8
1909.....		.1311	108.6	-1.7	.1792	108.0	(1)	.1483	101.3	-2.4
1910.....		.1291	106.9	-1.5	.1803	108.7	+0.6	.1435	98.0	-3.2
1911.....		.1247	103.3	-3.4	.1656	99.8	-8.2	.1388	94.8	-3.3
1912.....		.1643	136.1	+31.8	.2129	128.3	+28.6	.1746	119.3	+25.8
1913.....		.1573	130.2	-4.3	.2119	127.7	-0.5	.1673	114.3	-4.2
1914.....		.1338	110.8	-14.9	.1879	113.3	-11.3	.1465	100.1	-12.5
1915.....		.1726	142.9	+29.0	.2246	135.4	+19.5	.1850	126.4	+26.3
1916.....		.2754	228.2	+59.6	.3592	216.5	+59.9	.3052	208.5	+65.0
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....		.2288	189.6	+15.8	.2900	174.8	+16.0	.2425	165.6	+15.5
February.....		.2538	210.3	+10.9	.3200	192.9	+10.3	.2725	186.1	+12.4
March.....		.2700	223.7	+6.4	.3400	204.9	+6.3	.2925	199.8	+7.3
April.....		.2688	222.7	-0.4	.3450	208.0	+1.5	.2850	194.7	-2.6
May.....		.2850	236.2	+6.0	.3650	220.0	+5.8	.3150	215.2	+10.5
June.....		.2800	232.0	-1.8	.3750	226.0	+2.7	.3250	222.0	+3.2
July.....		.2650	219.6	-5.4	.3750	226.0	(1)	.3250	222.0	(1)
August.....		.2600	215.5	-1.9	.3750	226.0	(1)	.3050	208.3	-6.2
September.....		.2775	230.0	+6.7	.3750	226.0	(1)	.3075	210.0	+0.8
October.....		.2850	236.2	+2.7	.3750	226.0	(1)	.3175	216.9	+3.3
November.....		.2863	237.3	+0.5	.3750	226.0	(1)	.3175	216.9	(1)
December.....		.3450	285.9	+20.5	.4000	241.1	+6.7	.3575	244.2	+12.6

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.									
	Door knobs: steel, bronze-plated.			Files: 8-inch mill, bastard.			Hammers: Maydole, No. 14.			
	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price each.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0.1697</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.8527</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.3613</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890	.1660	97.8	.....	.9100	106.7	.....	.3500	.....	96.9	.....
1891	.1660	97.8	(1)	.8917	104.6	- 2.0	.3500	.....	96.9	(1)
1892	.1660	97.8	(1)	.8717	102.2	- 2.2	.3500	.....	96.9	(1)
1893	.1660	97.8	(1)	.8667	101.6	- .6	.3500	.....	96.9	(1)
1894	.1660	97.8	(1)	.8300	97.3	- 4.2	.3500	.....	96.9	(1)
1895	.1953	115.1	+17.7	.8133	95.4	- 2.0	.3525	.....	97.6	+ 0.7
1896	.1733	102.1	-11.3	.7775	91.2	- 4.4	.3800	.....	105.2	+ 7.8
1897	.1660	97.8	- 4.2	.8050	94.4	+ 3.5	.3800	.....	105.2	(1)
1898	.1660	97.8	(1)	.8250	96.8	+ 2.5	.3633	.....	100.6	- 4.4
1899	.1660	97.8	(1)	.9358	109.7	+13.4	.3867	.....	107.0	+ 6.4
1900	.1813	106.8	+ 9.2	1.0900	127.8	+16.5	.4189	.....	115.9	+ 8.3
1901	.1900	112.0	+ 4.8	1.0500	123.1	- 3.7	.4233	.....	117.2	+ 1.1
1902	.2153	126.9	+13.3	1.0500	123.1	(1)	.4233	.....	117.2	(1)
1903	.2250	132.6	+ 4.5	1.0500	123.1	(1)	.4660	.....	129.0	+10.1
1904	.2458	144.8	+ 9.2	1.0400	122.0	- 1.0	.4660	.....	129.0	(1)
1905	.3625	213.6	+47.5	1.0367	121.6	- .3	.4660	.....	129.0	(1)
1906	.4408	259.8	+21.6	1.0217	119.8	- 1.4	.4660	.....	129.0	(1)
1907	.4500	265.2	+ 2.1	.9975	117.0	- 2.4	.4660	.....	129.0	(1)
1908	.4000	235.7	-11.1	.9542	111.9	- 4.3	.4660	.....	129.0	(1)
1909	.4000	235.7	(1)	.9333	109.5	- 2.2	.4660	.....	129.0	(1)
1910	.4750	279.9	+18.8	.9300	109.1	- .4	.4690	.....	129.8	+ .6
1911	.2500	147.3	-47.4	.9300	109.1	(1)	.4400	.....	121.8	- 6.2
1912	.2700	159.1	+ 8.0	.9260	108.6	- .4	.4400	\$5.2800	121.8	(1)
1913	.2700	159.1	(1)	.9203	107.9	- .6	.....	5.2800	121.8	(1)
1914	.2700	159.1	(1)	.9160	107.4	- .5	.....	5.2800	121.8	(1)
1915	.3000	176.8	+11.1	.9144	107.2	- .2	.....	5.2800	121.8	(1)
1916	.3708	218.5	+23.6	1.0496	123.1	+14.8	.....	6.8400	157.8	+29.5
<b>1916.</b>										
January	.3500	206.2	+16.7	.9150	107.3	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	+29.5
February	.3500	206.2	(1)	.9150	107.3	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
March	.3500	206.2	(1)	.9150	107.3	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
April	.3500	206.2	(1)	1.0450	122.6	+14.2	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
May	.3700	218.0	+ 5.7	1.0450	122.6	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
June	.3700	218.0	(1)	1.0450	122.6	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
July	.3700	218.0	(1)	1.0450	122.6	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
August	.3700	218.0	(1)	1.0450	122.6	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
September	.3700	218.0	(1)	1.0450	122.6	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
October	.4000	235.7	+ 8.1	1.1610	136.2	+11.1	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
November	.4000	235.7	(1)	1.1610	136.2	(1)	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)
December	.4000	235.7	(1)	1.2580	147.5	+ 8.4	.....	6.8400	157.8	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Iron ore: Mesabi Bessemer.			Lead: pig.			Lead pipe.		
	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$.0381</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$4.8183</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....				.0440	115.5		5.4000	112.1	
1891.....				.0437	114.7	- 0.7	5.6000	116.2	+ 3.7
1892.....				.0413	108.4	- 5.5	5.1833	107.6	- 7.4
1893.....				.0374	98.2	- 9.4	5.0000	103.8	- 3.5
1894.....				.0331	86.9	-11.5	4.4333	92.0	-13.3
1895.....				.0326	85.6	-11.5	4.2000	87.2	- 5.3
1896.....				.0300	78.7	- 8.0	4.1000	85.1	- 2.4
1897.....				.0358	94.0	+19.3	4.3167	89.6	+ 5.3
1898.....				.0380	99.7	+ 6.1	4.6000	95.5	+ 6.6
1899.....				.0448	117.6	+17.9	5.3500	111.0	+16.3
1900.....				.0445	116.8	- .7	5.1208	106.3	- 4.3
1901.....				.0438	115.0	- 1.6	5.0479	104.8	- 1.4
1902.....				.0411	107.9	- 6.2	5.2167	108.3	+ 3.3
1903.....				.0428	112.3	+ 4.1	5.1958	107.8	- .4
1904.....				.0443	116.3	+ 3.5	4.7950	99.5	- 7.7
1905.....				.0479	125.7	+ 8.1	5.2250	108.4	+ 9.0
1906.....				.0588	154.3	+22.8	6.4208	133.3	+22.9
1907.....				.0552	144.9	- 6.1	6.7050	139.2	+ 4.4
1908.....				.0422	110.8	-23.5	4.7400	98.4	-29.3
1909.....				.0429	112.6	+ 1.7	4.8208	100.1	+ 1.7
1910.....				.0448	117.6	+ 4.4	5.0608	105.0	+ 5.0
1911.....				.0445	116.8	- .7	5.0283	104.4	- .6
1912.....				.0443	116.3	- .4	5.2008	107.9	+ 3.4
1913.....	\$4.1500	(1)		.0440	115.5	- .7	5.0817	105.5	- 2.3
1914.....	3.7167	(1)	-10.4	.0389	102.1	-11.6	4.5225	93.9	-11.0
1915.....	3.4750	(1)	- 6.5	.0459	120.5	+18.0	5.3008	110.0	+17.2
1916.....	4.3250	(1)	+24.5	.0680	178.5	+48.1	7.5975	157.7	+43.3
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	4.2000	(1)	+21.7	.0550	144.4	+ 4.8	6.1300	127.2	+ 4.3
February.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0610	160.1	+10.9	6.8600	142.4	+11.9
March.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0640	168.0	+ 4.9	7.1100	147.6	+ 3.6
April.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0800	210.0	+25.0	8.8200	183.1	+24.1
May.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0750	196.9	- 6.2	8.8200	183.1	(?)
June.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0725	190.3	- 3.3	8.0900	167.9	- 8.3
July.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0685	179.8	- 5.5	7.8400	162.7	- 3.1
August.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0610	160.1	-10.9	7.3500	152.5	- 6.2
September.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0650	170.6	+ 6.6	7.1100	147.6	- 3.3
October.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0705	185.0	+ 8.5	7.6000	157.7	+ 6.9
November.....	4.2000	(1)	(?)	.0700	183.7	- .7	7.6000	157.7	(?)
December.....	5.7000	(1)	+35.7	.0730	191.6	+ 4.3	7.8400	162.7	+ 3.2

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Locks: common mortise.			Nails: 8-penny, fence and common.					
				Cut.			Wire.		
	Average price each.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.0817</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.8275</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$2.1618</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.0830	101.6	.....	2.2875	125.2	.....	2.9646	137.1	.....
1891.....	.0830	101.6	(1)	1.8333	100.3	-19.9	2.4667	14.1	-16.8
1892.....	.0830	101.6	(1)	1.7583	96.2	-4.1	2.1896	101.3	-11.2
1893.....	.0830	101.6	(1)	1.6813	92.0	-4.4	1.9917	92.1	-9.0
1894.....	.0818	100.1	-1.4	1.5271	83.6	-9.2	1.6521	76.4	-17.1
1895.....	.0833	102.0	+1.8	1.9250	105.3	+26.1	2.1177	98.0	+28.2
1896.....	.0867	106.1	+4.1	2.7125	148.4	+40.9	2.9250	135.3	+38.1
1897.....	.0833	102.0	-3.9	1.3329	72.9	-50.9	1.4854	68.7	-49.2
1898.....	.0750	91.8	-10.0	1.1927	65.3	-10.5	1.4375	66.5	-3.2
1899.....	.0750	91.8	(1)	2.0240	110.8	+69.7	2.3875	110.4	+66.1
1900.....	.0788	96.5	+5.1	2.2500	123.1	+11.2	2.6333	121.8	+10.3
1901.....	.0750	91.8	-4.8	2.1125	115.6	-6.1	2.3646	109.4	-10.2
1902.....	.0850	104.0	+13.3	2.1333	116.7	+1.0	2.1042	97.3	-11.0
1903.....	.0900	110.2	+5.9	2.1958	120.2	+2.9	2.0750	96.0	-1.4
1904.....	.1025	125.5	+13.9	1.8188	99.5	-17.2	1.9063	88.2	-8.1
1905.....	.1496	183.1	+46.0	1.8250	99.9	+ .3	1.8958	87.7	- .6
1906.....	.1808	221.3	+20.9	1.9313	105.7	+5.8	1.9583	90.6	+3.3
1907.....	.2000	244.8	+10.6	2.1625	118.3	+12.0	2.1167	97.9	+8.1
1908.....	.1660	203.2	-17.0	1.9500	106.7	-9.8	2.1000	97.1	-8.8
1909.....	.1593	195.0	-4.0	1.8688	102.3	-4.2	1.9167	88.7	-8.7
1910.....	.1650	202.0	+3.6	1.8438	100.9	-1.3	1.8875	87.3	-1.5
1911.....	.1000	122.4	-39.4	1.7083	93.5	-7.3	1.8042	83.5	-4.4
1912.....	.1200	146.9	+20.0	1.7063	93.4	- .1	1.7396	80.5	-3.6
1913.....	.1200	146.9	(1)	1.7708	96.9	+3.8	1.8188	84.1	+4.6
1914.....	.1200	146.9	(1)	1.7208	94.2	-2.8	1.6792	77.6	-7.7
1915.....	.1283	157.0	+6.9	1.7208	94.2	(1)	1.7458	80.8	+4.0
1916.....	.2100	257.0	+63.7	2.6250	143.6	+52.5	2.5958	120.1	+48.7
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1800	220.3	+38.5	2.1250	116.3	+6.3	2.2000	101.8	+10.0
February.....	.1800	220.3	(1)	2.1250	116.3	(1)	2.3000	106.4	+4.5
March.....	.1900	232.6	+5.6	2.3750	130.0	+11.8	2.4000	111.0	+4.3
April.....	.1900	232.6	(1)	2.4750	135.4	+4.2	2.5000	115.6	+4.2
May.....	.1900	232.6	(1)	2.7250	149.1	+10.1	2.6000	120.3	+4.0
June.....	.2000	244.8	+5.3	2.7250	149.1	(1)	2.6500	122.6	+1.9
July.....	.2000	244.8	(1)	2.7250	149.1	(1)	2.6500	122.6	(1)
August.....	.2000	244.8	(1)	2.7250	149.1	(1)	2.6500	122.6	(1)
September.....	.2000	244.8	(1)	2.7750	151.8	+1.8	2.7000	124.9	+1.9
October.....	.2500	306.0	+25.0	2.7750	151.8	(1)	2.7000	124.9	(1)
November.....	.2700	330.5	+8.0	2.8750	157.3	+3.6	2.8000	123.5	+3.7
December.....	.2700	330.5	(1)	3.0750	168.3	+7.0	3.0000	138.8	+7.1

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.									
	Pig iron.									
	Bessemer.			Foundry No. 1, average price per long ton.	Basic, average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Foundry No. 2, northern.		
	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.					Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$13.7783</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$14.8042</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$13.0533</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	18.8725	137.0	.....	18.4083	.....	124.3	.....	17.1563	131.4	.....
1891.....	15.9500	115.8	-15.5	17.5208	.....	118.4	+ 4.8	15.3958	117.9	-10.3
1892.....	14.3667	104.3	- 9.9	15.7492	.....	106.4	-10.1	13.7729	105.5	-10.5
1893.....	12.8692	93.4	-10.4	14.5167	.....	98.1	- 7.8	12.4396	95.3	- 9.7
1894.....	11.3775	82.6	-11.6	12.6642	.....	85.5	-12.8	10.8458	83.1	-12.8
1895.....	12.7167	92.3	+11.8	13.1033	.....	88.5	+ 3.5	11.6750	89.0	+ 7.6
1896.....	12.1400	88.1	- 4.5	12.9550	.....	87.5	- 1.1	11.7708	90.2	+ .8
1897.....	10.1268	73.5	-16.6	12.1008	.....	81.7	- 6.6	10.1000	77.4	-14.2
1898.....	10.3317	75.0	+ 2.0	11.6608	.....	78.8	- 3.6	10.0271	76.8	- .7
1899.....	19.0333	138.1	+84.2	19.3633	.....	130.8	+66.1	17.3500	132.9	+73.0
1900.....	19.4925	141.5	+ 2.4	19.9800	.....	135.0	+ 3.2	18.5063	141.8	+ 6.7
1901.....	15.9350	115.7	-18.3	15.8683	.....	107.2	-20.6	14.7188	112.8	-20.5
1902.....	20.6742	150.0	+29.7	22.1933	.....	149.9	+39.9	21.2396	162.7	+44.3
1903.....	18.9758	137.7	- 8.2	19.9158	.....	134.5	-10.3	19.1417	146.6	- 9.9
1904.....	13.7558	99.8	-27.5	15.5725	.....	105.2	-21.8	13.6250	104.4	-28.8
1905.....	16.3592	118.7	+18.9	17.8850	.....	120.8	+14.8	16.4104	125.7	+20.4
1906.....	19.5442	141.8	+19.5	20.9825	.....	141.7	+17.3	19.2667	147.6	+17.4
1907.....	22.8417	165.8	+16.9	23.8950	.....	161.4	+13.9	23.8688	182.9	+23.9
1908.....	17.0700	123.9	-25.3	17.7000	.....	119.6	-25.9	16.2500	124.5	-31.9
1909.....	17.4083	126.3	+ 2.0	17.8058	.....	120.3	+ .6	16.4104	125.7	+ 1.0
1910.....	17.1925	124.8	- 1.2	17.3617	.....	117.3	- 2.5	15.9833	122.4	- 2.6
1911.....	15.7133	114.0	- 8.6	15.7125	.....	106.1	- 9.5	14.5188	111.2	- 9.2
1912.....	15.9375	115.7	+ 1.4	16.5575	.....	111.8	+ 5.4	15.0875	115.6	+ 3.9
1913.....	17.1325	124.3	+ 7.5	17.0675	\$14.7058	115.3	+ 3.1	16.0083	122.6	+ 6.1
1914.....	14.8892	108.0	-13.1	.....	12.8733	100.9	-12.5	13.9033	106.5	-13.1
1915.....	15.7825	114.5	+ 6.0	.....	13.7408	107.7	+ 6.7	14.8725	113.9	+ 7.0
1916.....	23.8883	173.4	+51.4	.....	19.7600	154.9	+43.8	21.0650	161.4	+41.6
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	21.5800	156.6	+ 9.8	.....	17.8100	139.6	+ 1.8	19.4500	149.0	+ 1.0
February.....	21.5100	156.1	- .3	.....	17.6900	138.7	- .7	19.2600	147.5	- 1.0
March.....	21.7500	157.9	+ 1.1	.....	18.2000	142.7	+ 2.9	19.4500	149.0	+ 1.0
April.....	21.9500	159.3	+ .9	.....	18.1300	142.1	- .4	19.4500	149.0	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	21.9500	159.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18.0000	141.1	- .7	19.1500	146.7	- 1.5
June.....	21.9500	159.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18.0000	141.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	19.0800	146.2	- .4
July.....	21.9500	159.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18.0000	141.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	19.2000	147.1	+ .6
August.....	21.9500	159.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18.0000	141.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	19.2000	147.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	22.2600	161.6	+ 1.4	.....	18.3100	143.6	+ 1.7	19.3400	148.2	+ .7
October.....	24.0800	174.8	+ 8.2	.....	19.8800	155.9	+ 8.6	20.9500	160.5	+ 8.3
November.....	30.1500	218.8	+25.2	.....	25.1000	196.8	+26.3	26.5500	203.4	+26.7
December.....	35.5800	258.2	+18.0	.....	30.0000	235.2	+19.5	31.7000	242.9	+19.4

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.										
	Pig iron.			Pipe: cast-iron, 6-inch.			Planes: jack-planes.				
	Gray forge, southern, coke, average price per long ton.	Foundry No. 2, southern, average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Bailey No. 5, average price each.	Sargent No. 414, average price each.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$11.0892</b>		<b>100.0</b>					<b>\$1.3220</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890	14.5000		130.8					1.4200		107.4	
1891	12.5167		112.9	-13.7				1.4200		107.4	(1)
1892	11.7917		106.3	-5.8				1.4200		107.4	(1)
1893	10.6354		95.9	-9.8				1.4200		107.4	(1)
1894	8.9375		80.6	-16.0				1.3783		104.3	-2.9
1895	10.3229		93.1	+15.5				1.2417		93.9	-9.9
1896	9.6042		86.6	-7.0				1.2300		93.0	-9
1897	8.8021		79.4	-8.4				1.2300		93.0	(1)
1898	8.7188		78.6	-9				1.2300		93.0	(1)
1899	15.0625		135.8	+72.8				1.2300		93.0	(1)
1900	15.6042		140.7	+3.6				1.4142		107.0	+15.0
1901	12.5521		113.2	-19.6				1.4600		110.4	+3.2
1902	17.6042		158.8	+40.2				1.5100		114.2	+3.4
1903	16.2292		146.4	-7.8				1.5300		115.7	+1.3
1904	11.6771		105.3	-28.0				1.5300		115.7	(1)
1905	14.4896		130.7	+24.1				1.5300		115.7	(1)
1906	16.5313		149.1	+14.1				1.7100		129.3	
1907	20.9875		189.3	+27.0				1.5300		115.7	+10.5
1908	14.3750		129.6	-31.5				1.5300		115.7	(1)
1909	14.9375		134.7	+3.9				1.5300		115.7	(1)
1910	14.5729		131.4	-2.4				1.6575		125.4	+8.3
1911	12.8333		115.7	-11.9				1.5400		116.5	-7.1
1912	14.2396		128.4	+11.0				1.5400	\$1.5400	116.5	(1)
1913	14.0979	\$14.9025	127.1	-1.0	\$23.3708	(2)		1.5000	1.5000	113.5	-2.6
1914		13.3900	114.3	-10.1	20.8983	(2)	-10.6	1.5000	1.5000	113.5	(1)
1915		13.5758	115.9	+1.4	22.9433	(2)	+9.8	1.5000	1.5000	113.5	(1)
1916		18.6708	159.2	+37.5	31.6175	(2)	+37.8	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	+20.0
<b>1916.</b>											
January		17.9000	152.7	+4.7	29.0000	(2)	+5.1	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	+20.0
February		17.9000	152.7	(1)	29.3300	(2)	+1.1	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
March		17.9000	152.7	(1)	29.7500	(2)	+1.4	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
April		17.9000	152.7	(1)	30.5000	(2)	+2.5	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
May		17.9000	152.7	(1)	30.5000	(2)	(1)	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
June		17.3400	147.9	-3.1	30.5000	(2)	(2)	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
July		16.9000	144.1	-2.5	30.5000	(2)	(1)	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
August		16.7000	142.4	-1.2	30.5000	(2)	(1)	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
September		17.2800	147.4	+3.5	30.8300	(2)	+1.1	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
October		18.0300	153.8	+4.3	31.5000	(2)	+2.2	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
November		22.4000	191.0	+24.2	35.5000	(2)	+12.7	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)
December		25.9000	220.9	+15.6	41.0000	(2)	+15.5	1.8000	1.8000	136.2	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.									
	Quicksilver.			Saws.						
				Crosscut: Disston, No. 2.			Hand: Disston.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price each.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	No. 7, 26-inch, average price per dozen.	No. 8, 26-inch, skew-back, average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0. 5593</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$1. 6038</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$12. 780</b>	.....	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	. 7300	130. 5	.....	1. 6038	100. 0	.....	14. 400	.....	112. 7	.....
1891.....	. 6283	112. 3	- 13. 9	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	-12. 5
1892.....	. 5642	100. 9	- 10. 2	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1893.....	. 5213	93. 2	- 7. 6	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1894.....	. 4792	85. 7	- 8. 1	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1895.....	. 5133	91. 8	+ 7. 1	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1896.....	. 89. 0	89. 0	+ 3. 0	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1897.....	. 5157	92. 2	+ 3. 6	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1898.....	. 5425	97. 0	+ 5. 2	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1899.....	. 6004	107. 3	+ 10. 7	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1900.....	. 6769	121. 0	+ 12. 7	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1901.....	. 6829	118. 5	- 2. 1	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1902.....	. 6458	115. 5	- 2. 6	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1903.....	. 6342	113. 4	- 1. 8	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1904.....	. 5900	105. 5	- 7. 0	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1905.....	. 5446	97. 4	- 7. 7	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 600	.....	98. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )
1906.....	. 5517	98. 6	+ 1. 3	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	.....	101. 3	+2. 8
1907.....	. 5429	97. 1	- 1. 6	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	.....	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1908.....	. 6100	109. 1	+ 12. 4	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	.....	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1909.....	. 6317	112. 9	+ 3. 6	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	.....	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1910.....	. 6492	116. 1	+ 2. 8	1. 6038	100. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	.....	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1911.....	. 6596	117. 9	+ 1. 6	1. 7820	111. 1	+11. 1	12. 950	.....	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1912.....	. 5892	105. 3	- 10. 7	1. 7820	111. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	.....	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1913.....	. 5650	101. 0	- 4. 1	1. 7820	111. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	12. 950	\$15. 6094	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1914.....	. 6658	119. 0	+ 17. 8	1. 7820	111. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	15. 6094	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915.....	1. 1833	211. 6	+ 77. 7	1. 7820	111. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	15. 6094	101. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
1916.....	1. 8250	326. 3	+ 54. 2	2. 0108	125. 4	+12. 8	.....	17. 5033	113. 6	+12. 1
<b>1916,</b>										
January.....	1. 8500	330. 8	+ 19. 4	1. 7900	111. 6	+ . 4	.....	15. 6000	101. 2	- . 1
February.....	4. 0000	715. 2	+116. 2	1. 7900	111. 6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	15. 6000	101. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	4. 0000	715. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	1. 8800	117. 2	+ 5. 0	.....	16. 3800	106. 3	+ 5. 0
April.....	2. 5500	455. 9	- 36. 2	1. 8800	117. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	16. 3800	106. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	1. 7500	312. 9	- 31. 4	1. 8800	117. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	16. 3800	106. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	1. 3000	232. 4	- 25. 7	2. 0700	129. 1	+10. 1	.....	18. 0200	116. 9	+10. 0
July.....	1. 1000	196. 7	- 15. 4	2. 0700	129. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18. 0200	116. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )
August.....	1. 1000	196. 7	( <sup>1</sup> )	2. 0700	129. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18. 0200	116. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	1. 1000	196. 7	( <sup>1</sup> )	2. 0700	129. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18. 0200	116. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )
October.....	1. 0500	187. 7	- 4. 5	2. 0700	129. 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	18. 0200	116. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	1. 0500	187. 7	( <sup>1</sup> )	2. 2800	142. 2	+10. 1	.....	19. 8000	128. 5	+ 9. 9
December.....	1. 0500	187. 7	( <sup>1</sup> )	2. 2800	142. 2	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	19. 8000	128. 5	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.									
	Shovels: Ames, No. 2.			Silver: bar, fine.			Steel; billets, Bessemer.			
	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per ounce.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$7.8658</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.7490</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$21.5262</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	
1890.....	7.8700	100.1	.....	1.0533	140.6	.....	30.4675	141.5	.....	
1891.....	7.8700	100.1	(1)	.9903	132.2	- 6.0	25.3292	117.7	- 16.9	
1892.....	7.8700	100.1	(1)	.8755	116.9	-11.6	23.6308	109.8	- 6.7	
1893.....	7.8700	100.1	(1)	.7822	104.4	-10.7	20.4358	97.9	- 13.5	
1894.....	7.4500	94.7	- 5.3	.6404	85.5	-18.1	16.5783	74.0	- 18.9	
1895.....	7.4500	94.7	(1)	.6627	88.5	+ 3.5	18.4842	85.9	+ 11.5	
1896.....	7.8100	99.3	+ 4.8	.6820	91.0	+ 2.9	18.8333	87.5	+ 1.9	
1897.....	7.9300	100.8	+ 1.5	.6078	81.1	-10.9	15.0800	70.1	- 19.9	
1898.....	7.9300	100.8	(1)	.5907	78.9	- 2.8	15.3058	71.1	+ 1.5	
1899.....	8.6075	109.4	+ 8.5	.6051	80.8	+ 2.4	31.1167	144.6	+103.3	
1900.....	9.1200	115.9	+ 6.0	.6207	82.9	+ 2.6	25.0625	116.4	- 19.5	
1901.....	9.1200	115.9	(1)	.5970	79.7	- 3.8	24.1308	112.1	- 3.7	
1902.....	9.3550	118.9	+ 2.6	.5282	70.5	-11.5	30.5992	142.1	+ 26.8	
1903.....	8.0200	102.0	-14.3	.5421	72.4	+ 2.6	27.9117	129.7	- 8.8	
1904.....	7.6533	97.3	- 4.6	.5784	77.2	+ 6.7	22.1792	103.0	- 20.5	
1905.....	7.6200	96.9	- .4	.6101	81.5	+ 5.5	24.0283	111.6	+ 8.3	
1906.....	7.6200	96.9	(1)	.6738	90.0	+10.4	27.4475	127.5	+ 14.2	
1907.....	7.8400	99.7	+ .9	.6598	88.1	- 2.1	29.2533	135.9	+ 6.6	
1908.....	7.8217	99.4	- 2.2	.5350	71.4	-18.9	26.3125	122.2	- 10.1	
1909.....	7.6200	96.9	- 2.6	.5216	69.6	- 2.5	24.6158	114.4	- 6.4	
1910.....	7.7383	98.4	+ 1.6	.5425	72.4	+ 4.0	25.3800	117.9	+ 3.1	
1911.....	7.4500	94.7	- 3.7	.5400	72.1	- .4	21.4583	99.7	- 15.5	
1912.....	7.4508	94.7	+ (2)	.6201	82.8	+14.8	22.3783	104.0	+ 4.3	
1913.....	7.8250	99.5	+ 5.0	.6124	81.8	- 1.2	25.7892	119.8	+ 15.2	
1914.....	7.8500	99.8	+ .3	.5633	75.2	- 8.0	20.0775	93.3	- 22.1	
1915.....	6.9233	88.0	-11.8	.5106	68.2	- 9.4	22.4408	104.2	+ 11.8	
1916.....	8.3142	105.7	+20.1	.6566	87.7	+28.6	43.9458	204.2	+ 95.8	
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	7.4300	94.5	+ 3.9	.5678	75.8	+ .6	32.0000	148.7	+ 4.6	
February.....	7.4300	94.5	(1)	.5676	75.8	- (2)	33.5000	155.6	+ 4.7	
March.....	7.4300	94.5	(1)	.5794	77.4	+ 2.1	42.4000	197.0	+ 26.6	
April.....	7.4300	94.5	(1)	.6441	86.0	+11.2	45.0000	209.0	+ 6.1	
May.....	8.4500	107.4	+13.7	.7426	99.1	+15.3	45.0000	209.0	(1)	
June.....	8.4500	107.4	(1)	.6502	86.8	-12.4	43.5000	202.1	- 3.3	
July.....	8.4500	107.4	(1)	.6294	84.0	- 3.2	41.0000	190.5	- 5.7	
August.....	8.4500	107.4	(1)	.6608	88.2	+ 5.0	44.2000	205.3	+ 7.8	
September.....	8.4500	107.4	(1)	.6852	91.5	+ 3.7	45.0000	209.0	+ 1.8	
October.....	8.9200	113.4	+ 5.6	.6786	90.6	- 1.0	46.2500	214.9	+ 2.8	
November.....	9.4400	120.0	+ 5.8	.7160	95.6	+ 5.5	52.0000	241.6	+ 12.4	
December.....	9.4400	120.0	(1)	.7577	101.2	+ 5.8	57.5000	267.1	+ 10.6	

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Steel.								
	Plates: tank.			Rails: Bessemer.			Rails: open-hearth.		
	One-fourth inch thick, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>				<b>\$26.0654</b>	<b>100.0</b>				
1890				31.7792	121.9				
1891				29.9167	114.8	- 5.9			
1892				30.0000	115.1	+ .3			
1893				28.1250	107.9	- 6.3			
1894				24.0000	92.1	-14.7			
1895				24.3333	93.4	+ 1.4			
1896				28.0000	107.4	+15.1			
1897				18.7500	71.9	-33.0			
1898				17.6250	67.6	- 6.0			
1899				28.1250	107.9	+59.6			
1900				32.2875	123.9	+14.8			
1901				27.3333	104.9	-15.3			
1902				28.0000	107.4	+ 2.4			
1903				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1904				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1905				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1906				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1907				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1908				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1909				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1910				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1911				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1912				28.0000	107.4	(1)			
1913	\$0.0148	(2)		28.0000	107.4	(1)	\$30.0000	(2)	
1914	.0116	(2)	- 21.6	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
1915	.0127	(2)	+ 9.5	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
1916	.0324	(2)	+155.1	31.3333	120.2	+11.9	33.3333	(2)	+11.1
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.0208	(2)	+15.6	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
February	.0225	(2)	+ 8.2	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
March	.0255	(2)	+13.3	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
April	.0325	(2)	+27.5	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
May	.0338	(2)	+ 4.0	28.0000	107.4	(1)	30.0000	(2)	(1)
June	.0345	(2)	+ 2.1	33.0000	126.6	+17.9	35.0000	(2)	+16.7
July	.0345	(2)	(1)	33.0000	126.6	(1)	35.0000	(2)	(1)
August	.0345	(2)	(1)	33.0000	126.6	(1)	35.0000	(2)	(1)
September	.0350	(2)	+ 1.4	33.0000	126.6	(1)	35.0000	(2)	(1)
October	.0350	(2)	(1)	33.0000	126.6	(1)	35.0000	(2)	(1)
November	.0375	(2)	+ 7.1	33.0000	126.6	(1)	35.0000	(2)	(1)
December	.0425	(2)	+13.3	38.0000	145.8	+15.2	40.0000	(2)	+14.3

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Steel.						Tin: pig.		
	Sheets: box annealed, No. 27.			Structural.					
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0224</b>	<b>100.0</b>					<b>\$.1836</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890						.2121	115.5		
1891						.2025	110.3	- 4.5	
1892						.2037	110.9	+ .5	
1893						.2002	109.0	- 1.7	
1894	.0235	104.9				.1812	98.7	- 9.5	
1895	.0244	108.9	+ 3.8			.1405	76.5	-22.5	
1896	.0215	96.0	-11.9			.1330	72.4	- 5.3	
1897	.0195	87.1	- 9.3			.1358	74.0	+ 2.1	
1898	.0190	84.8	- 2.6			.1551	84.5	+14.2	
1899	.0267	119.2	+40.5			.2721	148.2	+75.4	
1900	.0293	130.8	+ 9.7			.3006	163.7	+10.5	
1901	.0315	140.6	+ 7.5			.2618	142.6	-12.9	
1902	.0291	129.9	- 7.6			.2648	144.2	+ 1.1	
1903	.0260	116.1	-10.7			.2816	153.4	+ 6.3	
1904	.0210	93.8	-19.2			.2799	152.5	- .6	
1905	.0222	99.1	+ 5.7			.3127	170.3	+11.7	
1906	.0237	105.8	+ 6.8			.3922	213.6	+25.4	
1907	.0250	111.6	+ 5.5			.3875	211.1	- 1.2	
1908	.0240	107.1	- 4.0			.2942	160.2	-24.1	
1909	.0223	99.6	- 7.1			.2958	161.1	+ .5	
1910	.0227	101.3	+ 1.8			.3420	186.3	+15.6	
1911	.0200	89.3	-11.9			.4274	232.8	+25.0	
1912	.0196	87.5	- 2.0			.4626	252.0	+ 8.0	
1913	.0219	97.8	+11.7	\$.0160	(2)	.4488	244.4	- 3.0	
1914	.0187	83.5	-14.6	.0132	(2)	.3512	191.4	-21.7	
1915	.0188	83.9	+ .5	.0148	(2)	.3760	204.8	+ 7.1	
1916	.0296	132.1	+57.4	.0283	(2)	.4327	235.7	+15.1	
<b>1916.</b>									
January	.0255	113.8	+ 4.1	.0238	(2)	+22.1	.4250	231.5	+ 9.0
February	.0255	113.8	(3)	.0244	(2)	+ 2.5	.4183	226.7	- 2.0
March	.0255	113.8	(3)	.0259	(2)	+ 6.1	.4750	258.7	+14.1
April	.0283	126.3	+11.0	.0274	(2)	+ 5.8	.4950	269.6	+ 4.2
May	.0283	126.3	(3)	.0279	(2)	+ 1.8	.5100	277.8	+ 3.0
June	.0290	129.5	+ 2.5	.0279	(2)	(3)	.4550	247.8	-10.8
July	.0290	129.5	(3)	.0279	(2)	(3)	.3888	211.8	-14.5
August	.0290	129.5	(3)	.0289	(2)	+ 3.6	.3800	207.0	- 2.3
September	.0293	130.8	+ 1.0	.0294	(2)	+ 1.7	.3875	211.1	+ 2.0
October	.0308	137.5	+ 5.1	.0294	(2)	(3)	.3925	213.8	+ 1.3
November	.0340	151.8	+10.4	.0319	(2)	+ 8.5	.4170	227.1	+ 6.2
December	.0408	182.1	+20.0	.0344	(2)	+ 7.8	.4500	245.1	+ 7.9

<sup>1</sup> Average price for the period, July, 1894, to December, 1899.  
<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>3</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.							
	Tin plate: domestic.				Trowels: brick, 10½-inch.			
	Coke, at New York, average price per 100 pounds.	Coke, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	M. C. O., average price each.	Johnson's, average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>1 \$3.4148</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.3400</b>		<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....					.3400		100.0	
1891.....					.3400		100.0	(2)
1892.....					.3400		100.0	(2)
1893.....					.3400		100.0	(2)
1894.....					.3400		100.0	(2)
1895.....					.3400		100.0	(2)
1896.....	3.4354		-100.6		.3400		100.0	(2)
1897.....	3.1823		93.2	- 7.4	.3400		100.0	(2)
1898.....	2.8500		83.5	-10.4	.3400		100.0	(2)
1899.....	4.1913		122.7	+47.1	.3400		100.0	(2)
1900.....	4.6775		137.0	+11.6	.3400		100.0	(2)
1901.....	4.1900		122.7	-10.4	.3400		100.0	(2)
1902.....	4.1233		120.7	- 1.6	.3400		100.0	(2)
1903.....	3.9400		115.4	- 4.4	.3400		100.0	(2)
1904.....	3.6025		105.5	- 8.6	.3400		100.0	(2)
1905.....	3.7067		108.5	+ 2.9	.3400		100.0	(2)
1906.....	3.8608		113.1	+ 4.2	.3400		100.0	(2)
1907.....	4.0900		119.8	+ 5.9	.3400		100.0	(2)
1908.....	3.8900		113.9	- 4.9	.3400		100.0	(2)
1909.....	3.7367		109.4	- 3.9	.3400		100.0	(2)
1910.....	3.8400		112.5	+ 2.8	.3400		100.0	(2)
1911.....	3.8650		113.2	+ .7	.3500		102.9	+2.9
1912.....	3.6567	\$3.4563	107.1	- 5.4	.3500	\$4.5000	102.9	(2)
1913.....		3.5583	110.3	+ 3.0		4.5000	102.9	(2)
1914.....		3.3688	104.5	- 5.3		4.5000	102.9	(2)
1915.....		3.2417	100.5	- 3.8		4.5000	102.9	(2)
1916.....		5.0568	156.7	+56.0		4.5000	102.9	(2)
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....		3.6750	113.9	+ 2.1		4.5000	102.9	(2)
February.....		3.8250	118.5	+ 4.1		4.5000	102.9	(2)
March.....		4.0000	123.9	+ 4.6		4.5000	102.9	(2)
April.....		4.5000	139.4	+12.5		4.5000	102.9	(2)
May.....		4.5000	139.4	(2)		4.5000	102.9	(2)
June.....		5.7500	178.2	+27.8		4.5000	102.9	(2)
July.....		5.8750	182.0	+ 2.2		4.5000	102.9	(2)
August.....		5.8750	182.0	(2)		4.5000	102.9	(2)
September.....		5.8750	182.0	(2)		4.5000	102.9	(2)
October.....		5.8750	182.0	(2)		4.5000	102.9	(2)
November.....		5.8750	182.0	(2)		4.5000	102.9	(2)
December.....		(2)				4.5000	102.9	(2)

<sup>1</sup> Average price for 1896-1899.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>3</sup> No quotation for month.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.									
	Vises: solid box, 50-pound.				Wire: fence.					
	Firm No. 1, average price each.	Firm No. 2, average price each.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Barbed, galvanized.		Plain, annealed.			
					F. o. b. Chicago, average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Nos. 0 to 9, f. o. b. Pittsburgh, average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$3.9009</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$2.6261</b>	<b>100.0</b>				
1890.....	4.1400		106.1		3.5665	141.2				
1891.....	4.1400		106.1	(1)	3.2189	127.4				
1892.....	4.2550		109.1	+ 2.8	2.7662	109.5				
1893.....	4.1975		107.6	- 1.4	2.5188	99.7				
1894.....	4.0567		104.0	- 3.4	2.1750	86.1				
1895.....	3.7933		97.2	- 6.5	2.2458	88.9	+ 3.3			
1896.....	3.7200		95.4	- 1.9	1.9625	77.7	-12.6			
1897.....	3.5000		89.7	- 5.9	1.8000	71.3	- 8.3			
1898.....	3.2800		84.1	- 6.3	1.8375	72.7	+ 2.1			
1899.....	3.9267		100.7	+19.7	3.1696	125.5	+72.5			
1900.....	4.2683		109.4	+ 8.7	3.3942	134.4	+ 7.1			
1901.....	5.0200		128.7	+17.6	3.0375	120.2	+10.5			
1902.....	5.1300		131.5	+ 2.2	2.9542	116.9	- 2.7			
1903.....	5.1767		132.7	+ .9	2.7375	108.4	- 7.3			
1904.....	4.2550		109.1	-17.8	2.5075	99.3	- 8.4			
1905.....	4.1400		106.1	- 2.7	2.3829	94.3	- 5.0			
1906.....	4.5208		115.9	+ 9.2	2.4283	96.1	+ 1.9			
1907.....	5.7500	\$4.3700	147.4	+27.2	2.6342	104.3	+ 8.5			
1908.....	4.3700	4.3700	147.4	(1)	2.6217	103.8	- 5			
1909.....	4.6000	4.6000	155.2	+ 5.3	2.3592	93.4	-10.0			
1910.....	4.4850	151.3	151.3	- 2.5	2.1325	84.4	- 9.6			
1911.....	4.3700	147.4	147.4	- 2.6	2.1800	86.3	+ 2.2			
1912.....	4.1400	139.6	139.6	- 5.3	2.1342	84.5	- 2.1			
1913.....	3.9350	132.7	132.7	- 5.0	2.3092	91.4	+ 8.2	\$1.5125	(2)	
1914.....	3.6550	123.3	123.3	- 7.1	2.1516	85.2	- 6.8	1.3729	(2)	
1915.....	3.7492	126.5	126.5	+ 2.6	2.5348	100.3	+17.8	1.4688	(2)	
1916.....	5.2483	177.0	177.0	+40.0	3.5149	139.1	+38.7	2.4167	(2)	
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	4.6000	155.2	155.2	+18.3	3.1390	124.3	+ 3.3	1.9500	(2)	+ 5.4
February.....	3.5600	120.1	120.1	-22.6	3.2390	128.2	+ 3.2	2.0500	(2)	+ 5.1
March.....	5.0800	171.3	171.3	+42.7	3.3390	132.2	+ 3.1	2.2500	(2)	+ 9.8
April.....	5.0800	171.3	171.3	(1)	3.4390	136.1	+ 3.0	2.2500	(2)	(1)
May.....	5.0800	171.3	171.3	(1)	3.5390	140.1	+ 2.9	2.4500	(2)	+ 3.9
June.....	5.0800	171.3	171.3	(1)	3.5390	140.1	(1)	2.4500	(2)	(1)
July.....	5.7500	193.9	193.9	+13.2	3.5390	140.1	(1)	2.4500	(2)	(1)
August.....	5.7500	193.9	193.9	(1)	3.5390	140.1	(1)	2.4500	(2)	(1)
September.....	5.7500	193.9	193.9	(1)	3.6390	144.1	+ 2.8	2.5500	(2)	+ 4.1
October.....	5.7500	193.9	193.9	(1)	3.6390	144.1	(1)	2.5500	(2)	(1)
November.....	5.7500	193.9	193.9	(1)	3.7390	148.0	+ 2.7	2.6500	(2)	+ 3.9
December.....	5.7500	193.9	193.9	(1)	3.8500	152.4	+ 3.0	2.9500	(2)	+11.3

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Metals and metal products.								
	Wood screws: 1-inch, No. 10, flat head.			Zinc.					
	Average price per gross.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Sheet.			Spelter (pig).		
				Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$. 1510</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$5. 3112</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$. 0452</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.1970	130.5	.....	6.0542	114.0	.....	.0554	122.6	.....
1891.....	.2000	132.5	+ 1.5	5.7192	107.7	- 5.5	.0508	112.4	- 8.3
1892.....	.2100	139.1	+ 5.0 <sup>1</sup>	5.4900	103.4	- 4.0	.0465	102.9	- 8.5
1893.....	.2100	139.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	4.9942	94.0	- 9.0	.0410	90.7	- 11.8
1894.....	.1558	103.2	-25.8	3.9500	74.4	- 20.9	.0355	78.5	- 13.4
1895.....	.1117	74.0	-28.3	4.5217	85.1	+ 14.5	.0362	80.1	+ 2.0
1896.....	.1033	68.4	- 7.5	4.9400	93.0	+ 9.3	.0401	88.7	+ 10.8
1897.....	.0850	56.3	-17.7	4.9400	93.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0421	93.1	+ 5.0
1898.....	.0918	60.8	+ 8.0	5.4983	103.5	+ 11.3	.0453	100.2	+ 7.6
1899.....	.1452	96.2	+58.2	7.0042	131.9	+ 27.4	.0588	130.1	+ 29.8
1900.....	.1820	120.5	+25.3	6.0950	114.8	- 13.0	.0442	97.8	- 24.8
1901.....	.1045	69.2	-42.6	5.5583	104.7	- 8.8	.0405	89.6	- 8.4
1902.....	.0952	63.0	- 8.9	5.7308	107.9	+ 3.1	.0487	107.7	+ 20.2
1903.....	.1093	72.4	+14.8	6.0183	113.3	+ 5.0	.0558	123.5	+ 14.6
1904.....	.0945	62.6	-13.5	5.6092	105.6	- 6.8	.0515	113.9	- 7.7
1905.....	.1055	69.9	+11.6	6.8250	128.5	+ 21.7	.0592	131.0	+ 15.0
1906.....	.1055	69.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	7.1725	135.0	+ 5.1	.0620	137.2	+ 4.7
1907.....	.1219	80.7	+15.5	7.4858	140.9	+ 4.4	.0617	136.5	- .5
1908.....	.1000	66.2	-18.0	6.4400	121.3	- 14.0	.0475	105.1	- 23.0
1909.....	.1157	76.6	+15.7	6.6425	125.1	+ 3.1	.0551	121.9	+ 16.0
1910.....	.1488	98.5	+28.6	7.0192	132.2	+ 5.7	.0563	124.6	+ 2.2
1911.....	.1000	66.2	-22.8	7.0483	132.7	+ .4	.0584	129.2	+ 3.7
1912.....	.1200	79.5	+20.0	7.9242	149.2	+ 12.4	.0706	156.2	+ 20.9
1913.....	.1075	71.2	-10.4	7.2450	136.4	- 8.6	.0583	129.0	- 17.4
1914.....	.0783	51.8	-27.2	6.9192	130.3	- 4.5	.0527	116.6	- 9.6
1915.....	.0933	61.8	+19.2	16.1575	304.2	+133.5	.1438	318.1	+172.9
1916.....	.1683	111.5	+80.4	18.7833	353.7	+ 16.3	.1403	310.4	- 2.4
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1300	86.1	+30.0	21.1600	398.4	+ 4.5	.1750	387.2	- 3.5
February.....	.1300	86.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	22.0800	415.7	+ 4.3	.1850	409.3	+ 5.7
March.....	.1500	99.3	+15.4	23.0000	433.0	+ 4.2	.2100	464.6	+ 13.5
April.....	.1700	112.6	+13.3	23.0000	433.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.1775	392.7	- 15.5
May.....	.1700	112.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	23.4600	441.7	+ 2.0	.1750	387.2	- 1.4
June.....	.1700	112.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	20.7000	389.7	- 11.8	.1325	293.1	- 24.3
July.....	.1700	112.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	16.5600	311.8	- 20.0	.1125	248.9	- 15.1
August.....	.1700	112.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	13.8000	259.8	- 16.7	.0950	210.2	- 15.6
September.....	.1700	112.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	13.8000	259.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0875	193.6	- 7.9
October.....	.1900	125.8	+11.8	13.8000	259.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0950	210.2	+ 8.6
November.....	.1900	125.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	14.7200	277.2	+ 6.7	.1063	235.2	+ 11.9
December.....	.2100	139.1	+10.5	19.3200	363.8	+ 31.3	.1325	293.1	+ 24.6

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.									
	Brick: common.									
	Salmon: run of kiln, Chicago.			Red: Cincinnati.			Red: domestic, New York.			
	Average price per M.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>							<b>\$5.5625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	
1890							6.5625	118.0	.....	
1891							5.7083	102.6	-13.0	
1892							5.7708	103.7	+1.1	
1893							5.8333	104.9	+1.1	
1894							5.0000	89.9	-14.2	
1895							5.3125	95.5	+6.3	
1896							5.0625	91.0	-4.7	
1897							4.9375	88.8	-2.5	
1898							5.7500	103.4	+16.5	
1899							5.6875	102.2	-1.1	
1900							5.2500	94.4	-7.7	
1901							5.7656	103.7	+9.8	
1902							5.3854	96.8	-6.6	
1903							5.9063	106.2	+9.7	
1904							7.4948	134.7	+26.9	
1905							8.1042	145.7	+8.1	
1906							8.5469	153.7	+5.5	
1907							6.1563	110.7	-28.0	
1908							5.1042	91.8	-17.1	
1909							6.3854	114.8	+25.1	
1910							5.7188	102.8	-10.4	
1911							5.8906	105.9	+3.0	
1912							6.7604	121.5	+14.8	
1913	\$4.9380	(1)		\$7.0000	(1)		6.5625	118.0	-2.9	
1914	4.8717	(1)	-1.3	6.7500	(1)	-3.6	5.5313	99.5	-15.7	
1915	4.7797	(1)	-1.9	62.500	(1)	-7.4	6.0521	108.8	+9.4	
1916	4.7830	(1)	+ .1	6.7500	(1)	+8.0	8.0347	144.4	+32.8	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	4.8390	(1)	+1.5	6.7500	(1)	+8.0	8.7500	157.3	+18.6	
February	4.7310	(1)	-2.2	6.7500	(1)	(2)	8.7500	157.3	(2)	
March	4.7220	(1)	- .2	6.7500	(1)	(2)	8.4167	151.3	-3.8	
April	4.7330	(1)	+ .2	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.9167	142.3	-5.9	
May	4.8300	(1)	+2.0	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.7500	139.3	-2.1	
June	4.7920	(1)	- .8	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.6667	137.8	-1.1	
July	4.8030	(1)	+ .2	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.1667	128.8	-6.5	
August	4.7920	(1)	- .2	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.1250	128.1	- .6	
September	4.7690	(1)	- .5	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.2500	130.3	+1.8	
October	4.7830	(1)	+ .3	6.7500	(1)	(2)	7.7500	139.3	+6.9	
November	4.7950	(1)	+ .3	6.7500	(1)	(2)	8.5000	152.8	+9.7	
December	4.7670	(1)	- .6	6.7500	(1)	(2)	9.3750	168.5	+10.3	

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.							
	Cement.							
	Portland: domestic.				— Rosendale.			
	Series 1, average price per barrel.	Series 2, average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding year or month.	Series 1, average price per barrel.	Series 2, average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding year or month.
Average, 1890-1899..	\$1.9963	.....	100.0	.....	\$0.8871	.....	100.0	.....
1890.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.0542	.....	118.8	.....
1891.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.9417	.....	106.2	-10.7
1892.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.9688	.....	109.2	+2.9
1893.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.8875	.....	100.0	-8.4
1894.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.9271	.....	104.5	+4.5
1895.....	1.9688	.....	98.6	.....	.8521	.....	96.1	-8.1
1896.....	2.0000	.....	100.2	+1.6	.8333	.....	93.9	-2.2
1897.....	1.9667	.....	98.5	-1.7	.7521	.....	84.8	-9.7
1898.....	1.9979	.....	100.1	+1.6	.7604	.....	88.7	+1.1
1899.....	2.0479	.....	102.6	+2.5	.8938	.....	100.8	+17.5
1900.....	2.1583	.....	108.1	+5.4	1.0167	.....	114.6	+13.8
1901.....	1.8896	.....	94.7	-12.4	1.0188	.....	114.8	+ .2
1902.....	1.9500	.....	97.7	+3.2	.8646	.....	97.5	-15.1
1903.....	2.0292	.....	101.6	+4.1	.8896	.....	100.3	+2.9
1904.....	1.4604	.....	73.2	-28.0	.8021	.....	90.4	-9.8
1905.....	1.4271	.....	71.5	-2.3	.8333	.....	93.9	+3.9
1906.....	1.5750	.....	78.9	+10.4	.9500	.....	107.1	+14.0
1907.....	1.6458	.....	82.4	+4.5	.9500	.....	107.1	(2)
1908.....	1.4600	.....	73.1	-11.3	.9500	.....	107.1	(2)
1909.....	1.4117	.....	70.7	-3.3	.9500	.....	107.1	(2)
1910.....	1.4483	.....	72.5	+2.6	.9458	.....	106.6	-.4
1911.....	1.4613	.....	73.2	+ .9	.9063	.....	102.2	-4.2
1912.....	1.3150	.....	65.9	-10.0	.8583	.....	96.8	-5.3
1913.....	1.3800	.....	79.1	+20.2	.8988	.....	101.3	+4.7
1914.....	1.5800	.....	79.1	(2)	.9204	.....	103.7	+2.4
1915.....	1.4525	\$1.4342	72.8	-8.1	.9255	\$0.9000	104.3	+ .6
1916.....	.....	1.6888	85.7	+17.8	.....	.9667	112.0	+7.4
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	.9000	104.3	(2)
February.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	+11.1
March.....	.....	1.6760	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
April.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
May.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
June.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
July.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
August.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
September.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	1.0000	115.9	(2)
October.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	.9000	104.3	-10.0
November.....	.....	1.6700	84.8	(2)	.....	.9000	104.3	(2)
December.....	.....	1.8950	96.2	+13.5	.....	.9000	104.3	(2)

<sup>1</sup> Average price for 1895-1899.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.					
	Doors: white pine, 2 feet 8 inches by 6 feet 8 inches.					
	Unmolded, 1½ inches thick (Buffalo market), average price per door.	Western, 1½ inches thick, 5-panel, No. 1, O. G. (Buf- falo market), average price per door.	Western, 1½ inches thick, 5-panel, No. 1, O. G. (Chi- cago market), average price per door.	Western, 1½ inches thick, 4-panel, No. 2, O. G. (Chi- cago market), average price per door.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or de- crease (-) compared with pre- ceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$1. 0929</b>				<b>100. 0</b>	
1890.....	1. 3750				125. 8	
1891.....	1. 2500				114. 4	- 9. 1
1892.....	1. 2500				114. 4	(1)
1893.....	1. 2250				112. 1	- 2. 0
1894.....	1. 0500				96. 1	-14. 3
1895.....	. 9125				83. 5	-13. 1
1896.....	. 8375				76. 6	- 8. 2
1897.....	. 8125				74. 3	- 3. 0
1898.....	. 9250				84. 6	+13. 8
1899.....	1. 2917				118. 2	+39. 6
1900.....	1. 5900				145. 5	+23. 1
1901.....	1. 8913				173. 1	+18. 9
1902.....	2. 1208				194. 1	+12. 1
1903.....	1. 7292				158. 2	-18. 5
1904.....	1. 6900	\$1. 7400			154. 6	- 2. 3
1905.....		1. 8367			163. 2	+ 5. 6
1906.....		1. 7271			153. 5	- 6. 0
1907.....		1. 8842	\$1. 8108		167. 5	+ 9. 1
1908.....			1. 7438		161. 3	- 3. 7
1909.....			1. 7750		164. 2	+ 1. 8
1910.....			1. 6733		154. 8	- 5. 7
1911.....			1. 6033		148. 3	- 4. 2
1912.....			1. 5125	\$1. 3375	139. 9	- 5. 7
1913.....				1. 3900	145. 4	+ 3. 9
1914.....				1. 3725	143. 5	- 1. 3
1915.....				1. 3425	140. 3	- 2. 2
1916.....				1. 3725	143. 6	+ 2. 2
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....				1. 3000	136. 0	(1)
February.....				1. 3000	136. 0	(1)
March.....				1. 3000	136. 0	(1)
April.....				1. 3000	136. 0	(1)
May.....				1. 3900	145. 4	+ 6. 9
June.....				1. 3900	145. 4	(1)
July.....				1. 3900	145. 4	(1)
August.....				1. 3900	145. 4	(1)
September.....				1. 3900	145. 4	(1)
October.....				1. 4500	151. 7	+ 4. 3
November.....				1. 4500	151. 7	(1)
December.....				1. 4200	148. 5	- 2. 1

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.							
	Glass: plate.							
	Polished, area 3 to 5 square feet.				Polished, area 5 to 10 square feet.			
	Unsil- vered, average price per sq. ft.	Glazing, average price per sq. ft.	Rela- tive price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with pre- ceding year or month.	Unsil- vered, average price per sq. ft.	Glazing, average price per sq. ft.	Rela- tive price.	Per cent of in- crease (+) or decrease (-) com- pared with pre- ceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0.3630</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$0.5190</b>	<b>100.0</b>		
1890.....	.5300		146.0	.7000		134.0		
1891.....	.5200		143.3	— 1.9	.6900	132.9	— 1.4	
1892.....	.4200		115.7	—19.2	.5500	106.0	—20.3	
1893.....	.4200		115.7	(1)	.5500	106.0	(1)	
1894.....	.3300		90.9	—21.4	.4500	86.7	—18.2	
1895.....	.3000		82.6	— 9.1	.4800	92.5	+ 6.7	
1896.....	.3400		93.7	+13.3	.5400	104.0	+12.5	
1897.....	.2000		55.1	—41.2	.3200	61.7	—40.7	
1898.....	.2700		74.4	+35.0	.4300	82.9	+34.4	
1899.....	.3000		82.6	+11.1	.4800	92.5	+11.6	
1900.....	.3400		93.7	+13.3	.5400	104.0	+12.5	
1901.....	.3200		88.2	— 5.9	.4900	94.4	— 9.3	
1902.....	.2575		70.9	—19.5	.4113	79.2	—16.1	
1903.....	.3625		72.3	+ 1.9	.4313	83.1	+ 4.9	
1904.....	.2275		62.7	—13.3	.3650	70.3	—15.4	
1905.....	.2408	<b>\$0.1975</b>	66.3	+ 5.8	.3729	<b>\$0.3050</b>	71.8	+ 2.2
1906.....		.2267	76.1	+14.8		.3300	77.7	+ 8.2
1907.....		.2300	77.2	+ 1.5		.3400	80.1	+ 3.0
1908.....		.1733	58.2	—24.7		.2750	64.8	—19.1
1909.....		.2017	67.7	+16.4		.2817	66.4	+ 2.4
1910.....		.2492	83.6	+23.5		.3475	81.9	+23.4
1911.....		.2250	75.5	— 9.7		.3158	74.4	— 9.1
1912.....		.2167	72.7	— 3.7		.2967	69.9	— 6.0
1913.....		.2367	79.4	+ 9.2		.3183	75.0	+ 7.3
1914.....		.2108	70.7	—11.0		.2908	68.6	— 8.5
1915.....		.1867	62.6	—11.4		.2533	59.8	—12.9
1916.....		.2917	97.9	+56.2		.3375	79.5	+33.2
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....		.2100	70.5	+ 5.0		.2700	63.6	(1)
February.....		.2500	83.9	+19.0		.3000	70.6	+11.1
March.....		.2600	87.3	+ 4.0		.3200	75.3	+ 6.7
April.....		.2800	94.0	+ 7.7		.3300	77.7	+ 3.1
May.....		.2800	94.0	(1)		.3300	77.7	(1)
June.....		.3000	100.7	+ 7.1		.3400	80.0	+ 3.0
July.....		.3000	100.7	(1)		.3400	80.0	(1)
August.....		.3000	100.7	(1)		.3400	80.0	(1)
September.....		.3200	107.4	+ 6.7		.3600	84.7	+ 5.9
October.....		.3200	107.4	(1)		.3600	84.7	(1)
November.....		.3400	114.1	+ 6.3		.3800	89.5	+ 5.0
December.....		.3400	114.1	(1)		.3800	89.5	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.								
	Glass: window.						Lath: eastern spruce, 1½-inch slab.		
	American, single, AA, 25-inch, 6 by 8 to 10 by 15 inches.			American, single, B, 25-inch, 6 by 8 to 10 by 15 inches.					
	Average price per 50 sq. ft.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 50 sq. ft.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$2.1514</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$1.8190</b>	<b>100.0</b>				
1890	2.2283	103.6		1.7858	98.2				
1891	2.2125	102.8	- 0.7	1.7700	97.3	- 0.9			
1892	1.9935	92.7	- 9.9	1.5948	87.7	- 9.9			
1893	2.1375	99.4	+ 7.2	1.7100	94.0	+ 7.2			
1894	1.9918	92.6	- 6.8	1.6326	89.8	- 4.5			
1895	1.5988	74.3	-19.7	1.3919	76.5	-14.7			
1896	1.8021	83.8	+12.7	1.6000	88.0	+15.0			
1897	2.1985	102.2	+22.0	1.9630	107.9	+22.7			
1898	2.6432	122.9	+20.2	2.3428	128.8	+19.3			
1899	2.7081	125.9	+ 2.5	2.3986	131.9	+ 2.4			
1900	2.6990	125.5	- .3	2.3194	127.5	- 3.3			
1901	4.1282	191.9	+53.0	3.2823	180.4	+41.5			
1902	3.2187	149.6	-22.0	2.5649	141.0	-21.9			
1903	2.6400	122.7	-18.0	2.1600	118.7	-15.8			
1904	2.8867	134.2	+ 9.3	2.3283	128.0	+ 7.8			
1905	2.7637	128.5	- 4.3	2.1365	117.5	- 8.2			
1906	2.9196	135.7	+ 5.6	2.2563	124.0	+ 5.6			
1907	2.8133	130.8	- 3.6	2.2419	123.2	- .6			
1908	2.3600	109.7	-16.1	1.8806	103.4	-16.1			
1909	2.3200	107.8	- 1.7	1.8488	101.6	- 1.7			
1910	2.9300	136.2	+26.3	2.3375	128.5	+26.4			
1911	2.2533	104.7	-23.1	1.7956	98.7	-23.2			
1912	2.2400	104.1	- .6	1.7850	98.1	- .6			
1913	2.7200	126.4	-21.4	2.2207	122.1	+24.4	\$4.2841	(1)	
1914	2.7200	126.4	(2)	2.1675	119.2	- 2.4	3.9042	(1)	
1915	2.9750	138.3	+ 9.4	2.4225	133.2	+11.8	3.8386	(1)	
1916	3.6750	170.8	+23.5	2.4938	137.1	+ 2.9	4.2208	(1)	
<b>1916.</b>									
January	3.1500	146.4	+ 5.9	2.2800	125.3	- 5.9	3.8250	(1)	+ 2.0
February	3.1500	146.4	(2)	2.2800	125.3	(2)	4.1250	(1)	+ 7.8
March	3.1500	146.4	(2)	2.2800	125.3	(2)	4.7500	(1)	+15.2
April	3.8500	179.0	+22.2	2.5650	141.0	+12.5	4.7500	(1)	(2)
May	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.4500	(1)	- 6.3
June	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.3250	(1)	- 2.8
July	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.0500	(1)	- 6.4
August	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	3.8750	(1)	- 4.3
September	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.1250	(1)	+ 6.5
October	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.1250	(1)	(2)
November	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.1250	(1)	(2)
December	3.8500	179.0	(2)	2.5650	141.0	(2)	4.1250	(1)	(2)

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.									
	Lime: common.				Lumber.					
					Douglas fir: No. 1, common.			Douglas fir: No. 2 and better, drop siding.		
	Rockport, average price per barrel.	Eastern, average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$0.8332</b>		<b>100.0</b>							
1890.....	.9792		117.5							
1891.....	.9125		109.5	- 6.8						
1892.....	.9292		111.5	+ 1.8						
1893.....	.9292		111.5	( <sup>1</sup> )						
1894.....	.8479		101.8	- 8.7						
1895.....	.7813		93.8	- 7.9						
1896.....	.6938		83.3	-11.2						
1897.....	.7188		86.3	+ 3.6						
1898.....	.7417		89.0	+ 3.2						
1899.....	.7979		95.8	+ 7.6						
1900.....	.6833		82.0	-14.4						
1901.....	.7742		92.9	+13.3						
1902.....	.9358		96.7	+ 4.1						
1903.....	.7875		94.5	- 2.3						
1904.....	.8246		99.0	+ 4.7						
1905.....	.8908		106.9	+ 8.0						
1906.....	.9471		113.7	+ 6.3						
1907.....	.9492		113.9	+ .2						
1908.....	1.0450		125.4	+10.1						
1909.....	1.0450		125.4	( <sup>1</sup> )						
1910.....	1.0450		125.4	( <sup>1</sup> )						
1911.....	1.1083		133.0	+ 6.1						
1912.....	1.0850		130.2	- 2.1						
1913.....	1.0783		129.4	- .6	\$9.2083	( <sup>2</sup> )	\$17.3333	( <sup>2</sup> )		
1914.....	1.0225		122.7	- 5.2	7.9167	( <sup>2</sup> )	-14.0	14.2917	( <sup>2</sup> )	-17.5
1915.....	1.1671	\$1.2396	140.1	+14.1	7.8750	( <sup>2</sup> )	- .5	14.2917	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
1916.....		1.4050	158.8	+13.3	10.3750	( <sup>2</sup> )	+31.7	18.5833	( <sup>2</sup> )	+30.0
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....		1.2625	142.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	10.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 5.3	19.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 5.6
February.....		1.2625	142.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	10.5000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 5.0	19.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....		1.2625	142.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	11.5000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 9.5	19.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....		1.2625	142.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	11.5000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	20.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 5.3
May.....		( <sup>3</sup> )			11.5000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	20.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....		( <sup>3</sup> )			11.0000	( <sup>3</sup> )	- 4.3	19.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 5.0
July.....		1.4500	163.9		10.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 9.1	18.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 5.3
August.....		1.4500	163.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	9.5000	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 5.0	18.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....		1.5250	172.4	+ 5.2	9.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 5.3	17.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	- 5.6
October.....		1.5250	172.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	9.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	17.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....		1.5250	172.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	10.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+11.1	18.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 5.9
December.....		1.5250	172.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	11.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+10.0	19.0000	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 5.6

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.<sup>3</sup> No quotation for month.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.								
	Lumber.								
	Hemlock.			Maple: hard.			Oak: white, plain.		
	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$11.9625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$26.5042</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$37.4292</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	12.5833	105.2	.....	26.5000	100.0	.....	37.8750	101.2	.....
1891.....	12.4583	104.1	- 1.0	26.5000	100.0	(1)	38.0000	101.5	+ 0.3
1892.....	12.2917	102.8	- 1.3	26.5000	100.0	(1)	38.4583	102.7	+ 1.2
1893.....	12.0000	100.3	- 2.4	26.5000	100.0	(1)	38.7500	103.5	+ .8
1894.....	11.7083	97.9	- 2.4	26.5000	100.0	(1)	37.2500	99.5	- 3.9
1895.....	11.1458	93.2	- 4.8	26.5000	100.0	(1)	36.2500	96.8	- 2.7
1896.....	11.1667	93.3	+ .2	26.5000	100.0	(1)	36.2500	96.8	(1)
1897.....	11.0000	92.0	- 1.5	26.5000	100.0	(1)	36.2500	96.8	(1)
1898.....	11.7500	98.2	+ 6.8	26.5000	100.0	(1)	36.2500	96.8	(1)
1899.....	13.5208	113.0	+15.1	26.5417	100.2	+ 0.2	38.9583	104.1	+ 7.5
1900.....	16.5000	137.9	+22.0	27.5000	103.8	+ 3.6	40.8333	109.1	+ 4.8
1901.....	15.0000	125.4	- 9.1	26.7083	100.8	- 2.9	36.7708	98.2	- 9.9
1902.....	15.8333	132.4	+ 5.6	28.5833	107.8	+ 7.0	40.8750	109.2	+11.2
1903.....	16.7917	140.4	+ 6.1	31.6667	119.5	+10.8	44.8333	119.8	+ 9.7
1904.....	17.0000	142.1	+ 1.2	31.0000	117.0	- 2.1	46.5000	124.2	+ 3.7
1905.....	17.8750	149.4	+ 5.1	30.5000	115.1	- 1.6	47.3333	126.5	+ 1.8
1906.....	21.8958	183.0	+22.5	31.0000	117.0	+ 1.6	50.4167	134.7	+ 6.5
1907.....	22.2500	186.0	+ 1.6	32.2500	121.7	+ 4.0	55.2083	147.5	+ 9.5
1908.....	20.8750	174.5	- 6.2	31.6250	119.3	- 1.9	49.2917	131.7	-10.7
1909.....	20.5833	172.1	- 1.4	31.0000	117.0	- 2.0	48.4167	129.4	- 1.8
1910.....	20.6250	172.4	+ .2	31.8000	120.0	+ 2.6	54.2500	144.9	+12.0
1911.....	20.6818	172.9	+ .3	34.3182	129.5	+ 7.9	54.6818	146.1	+ .8
1912.....	21.4545	179.3	+ 3.7	36.4545	137.5	+ 6.2	56.2273	150.2	+ 2.8
1913.....	24.2273	202.5	+12.9	38.3636	144.7	+ 5.2	60.5909	161.9	+ 7.8
1914.....	24.3958	203.9	+ .7	38.5000	145.3	+ .4	60.0417	160.4	- .9
1915.....	21.5909	180.5	-11.5	38.5000	145.3	(1)	57.6818	154.1	- 3.9
1916.....	23.5417	196.8	+ 9.0	40.5823	153.1	+ 5.4	61.3333	163.9	+ 6.3
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	22.2500	186.0	+ 4.7	38.5000	145.3	(1)	60.5000	161.6	+ 2.5
February.....	22.2500	186.0	(1)	38.5000	145.3	(1)	60.5000	161.6	(1)
March.....	23.2500	194.4	+ 4.5	38.5000	145.3	(1)	61.5000	164.3	+ 1.7
April.....	24.0000	200.6	+ 3.2	41.0000	154.7	+ 6.5	61.5000	164.3	(1)
May.....	23.7500	198.5	- 1.0	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
June.....	23.7500	198.5	(1)	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
July.....	23.7500	198.5	(1)	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
August.....	23.7500	198.5	(1)	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
September.....	23.7500	198.5	(1)	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
October.....	23.7500	198.5	(1)	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
November.....	23.7500	198.5	(1)	41.0000	154.7	(1)	61.5000	164.3	(1)
December.....	24.5000	204.8	+ 3.2	43.5000	164.1	+ 6.1	61.5000	164.3	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.						
	Lumber.						
	Oak: white, quartered.			Pine: white, boards, No. 2 barn.			
	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Buffalo market, average price per M feet.	New York market, average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$53.6771</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$17.1104</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	51.4583	95.9	.....	16.7917	.....	98.1	.....
1891.....	53.5833	99.8	+ 4.1	17.0000	.....	99.4	+ 1.2
1892.....	53.0000	98.7	- 1.1	17.1458	.....	100.2	+ .9
1893.....	53.0000	98.7	(1)	18.6250	.....	108.9	+ 8.6
1894.....	51.1250	95.2	- 3.5	18.1667	.....	106.2	- 2.5
1895.....	53.2500	99.2	+ 4.2	17.2500	.....	100.8	- 5.0
1896.....	54.5000	101.5	+ 2.3	16.5000	.....	96.4	- 4.3
1897.....	53.8333	100.3	- 1.2	15.8333	.....	92.5	- 4.0
1898.....	52.5000	97.3	- 2.5	15.5000	.....	90.6	- 2.1
1899.....	60.5208	112.7	+15.3	18.2917	.....	106.9	+18.0
1900.....	64.4583	120.1	+ 6.5	21.5000	.....	125.7	+17.5
1901.....	59.1667	110.2	- 8.2	20.8750	.....	122.0	- 2.9
1902.....	63.0833	117.5	+ 6.6	23.5000	.....	137.3	+12.6
1903.....	74.7917	139.3	+18.6	24.0000	.....	140.3	+ 2.1
1904.....	80.7500	150.4	+ 8.0	23.0000	.....	134.4	- 4.2
1905.....	80.2500	149.5	- .6	24.1667	.....	141.2	+ 5.1
1906.....	79.1667	147.5	- 1.3	29.7500	\$33.2500	173.9	+23.1
1907.....	80.0000	149.0	+ 1.1	.....	37.4167	195.7	+12.5
1908.....	80.1667	149.3	+ .2	.....	36.3750	190.3	- 2.8
1909.....	84.3333	157.1	+ 5.2	.....	37.1042	194.1	+ 2.0
1910.....	87.7500	163.5	+ 4.1	.....	38.2500	200.1	+ 3.1
1911.....	87.1818	162.4	- .6	.....	38.3455	200.6	+ .2
1912.....	86.5000	161.1	- .8	.....	37.2273	194.7	- 2.9
1913.....	88.3182	164.5	+ 2.1	.....	36.8636	192.8	- 1.0
1914.....	88.3333	164.5	(2)	.....	37.5000	196.1	+ 1.7
1915.....	86.5000	161.1	- 2.1	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
1916.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
<b>1916.</b>							
January.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
February.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
March.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
April.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
May.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
June.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
July.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
August.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
September.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
October.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
November.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)
December.....	86.5000	161.1	(1)	.....	37.5000	196.1	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> Less than one-twentieth of 1 per cent.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.									
	Lumber.									
	Pine: white, boards, uppers.			Pine: yellow, flooring.			Pine: yellow, siding.			
	Buffalo market, average price per M feet.	New York market, average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$46.5542</b>		<b>100.0</b>					<b>\$18.4646</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890	44.0833		94.7					20.7500	112.4	
1891	45.0000		96.7	+ 2.1				19.9583	108.1	- 3.8
1892	46.1417		98.9	+ 2.5				18.5000	100.2	- 7.3
1893	48.5000		104.2	+ 5.1				18.5000	100.2	(1)
1894	46.4167		99.7	- 4.3				18.5000	100.2	(1)
1895	46.0000		98.8	- .9				16.9167	91.6	- 8.6
1896	46.6250		100.2	+ 1.4				16.4167	88.9	- 3.0
1897	46.3533		99.5	- .6				16.4375	89.0	+ .1
1898	46.0833		99.0	- .5				18.6250	100.9	+13.3
1899	50.4583		108.4	+ 9.5				20.0417	108.5	+ 7.6
1900	57.5000		123.5	+14.0				20.7083	112.2	+ 3.3
1901	60.4167		129.8	+ 5.1				19.6667	106.5	- 5.0
1902	74.8333		160.7	+23.9				21.0000	113.7	+ 6.8
1903	80.0000		171.8	+ 6.9				21.0000	113.7	(1)
1904	81.0000		174.0	+ 1.2				21.4167	116.0	+ 2.0
1905	82.0000		176.1	+ 1.2				24.9167	134.9	+16.3
1906	84.7500	\$88.2500	182.0	+ 3.4				29.3333	158.9	+17.7
1907		97.0833	200.2	+10.0				30.5000	165.2	+ 4.0
1908		96.0833	198.1	- 1.0	\$43.9167	(2)		30.5000	165.2	(1)
1909		93.0417	191.8	- 3.2	45.8333	(2)	+ 4.4	33.0417	178.9	+ 8.3
1910		98.8000	203.7	+ 6.2	46.3000	(2)	+ 1.0	30.8000	166.8	- 6.8
1911		100.5000	207.2	+ 1.7	46.5455	(2)	+ .5	30.5909	165.7	- .7
1912		101.0455	208.3	+ .5	44.5455	(2)	- 4.3	33.1364	179.5	+ 8.3
1913		103.5000	213.4	+ 2.4	44.5909	(2)	+ .1	32.1364	174.0	- 3.0
1914		103.5000	213.4	(1)	42.7500	(2)	- 4.1	29.6250	160.4	- 7.8
1915		103.5000	213.4	(1)	39.5909	(2)	- 7.4	28.1818	152.6	- 4.9
1916		103.5000	213.4	(1)	39.3750	(2)	- .5	31.8182	172.3	+12.9
<b>1916.</b>										
January		103.5000	213.4	(1)	39.5000	(2)	+ 3.9	30.0000	162.5	(1)
February		103.5000	213.4	(1)	40.0000	(2)	+ 1.3	31.0000	167.9	+ 3.3
March		103.5000	213.4	(1)	40.0000	(2)	(1)	31.0000	167.9	(1)
April		103.5000	213.4	(1)	40.0000	(2)	(1)	31.0000	167.9	(1)
May		103.5000	213.4	(1)	40.0000	(2)	(1)	32.0000	173.3	+ 3.2
June		103.5000	213.4	(1)	39.0000	(2)	- 2.5	32.0000	173.3	(1)
July		103.5000	213.4	(1)	38.0000	(2)	- 2.6	32.0000	173.3	(1)
August		103.5000	213.4	(1)	38.0000	(2)	(1)	32.0000	173.3	(1)
September		103.5000	213.4	(1)	38.0000	(2)	(1)	32.0000	173.3	(1)
October		103.5000	213.4	(1)	39.0000	(2)	+ 2.6	32.0000	173.3	(1)
November		103.5000	213.4	(1)	40.0000	(2)	+ 2.6	35.0000	189.6	+ 9.4
December		103.5000	213.4	(1)	41.0000	(2)	+ 2.5	(3)		

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>3</sup> No quotation for month.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.									
	Lumber.						Paint materials.			
	Poplar.			Spruce.			Lead, carbonate of (white lead): American, in oil.			
	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M feet.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$31.3667</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$14.3489</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.0577</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	
1890.....	30.5000	97.2	.....	16.2917	113.5	.....	.0638	110.6	.....	
1891.....	30.5000	97.2	(1)	14.2183	99.1	-12.7	.0650	112.7	+ 1.9	
1892.....	30.6042	97.6	+ 0.3	14.8542	103.5	+ 4.5	.0658	114.0	+ 1.2	
1893.....	33.6250	107.2	+ 9.9	13.7708	96.0	- 7.3	.0609	105.5	- 7.4	
1894.....	31.7500	101.2	- 5.6	12.7083	88.6	- 7.7	.0524	90.8	-14.0	
1895.....	31.0000	98.8	- 2.4	14.2500	99.3	+12.1	.0525	91.0	+ 2	
1896.....	31.0000	98.8	(1)	14.2500	99.3	(1)	.0517	89.6	- 1.5	
1897.....	30.6667	97.8	- 1.1	14.0000	97.6	- 1.8	.0535	92.7	+ 3.5	
1898.....	30.0000	95.6	- 2.2	13.7500	95.8	- 1.8	.0543	94.1	+ 1.5	
1899.....	34.0208	108.5	+13.4	15.3958	107.3	+12.0	.0568	98.4	+ 4.6	
1900.....	37.6875	120.2	+10.8	17.3750	121.1	+12.9	.0625	108.3	+10.0	
1901.....	36.7083	117.0	- 2.6	18.0000	125.4	+ 3.6	.0576	99.8	- 7.8	
1902.....	42.1042	134.2	+14.7	19.2500	134.2	+ 6.9	.0539	93.4	- 6.4	
1903.....	49.6458	158.3	+17.9	19.1875	133.7	- 3	.0615	106.6	+14.1	
1904.....	50.3292	160.5	+ 1.4	20.5000	142.9	+ 6.8	.0593	103.6	- 2.8	
1905.....	48.2083	153.7	- 4.2	21.4167	149.3	+ 4.5	.0633	109.7	+ 5.9	
1906.....	50.9583	162.5	+ 5.7	25.5417	178.0	+19.3	.0693	119.6	+ 9.0	
1907.....	58.0833	185.2	+14.0	24.0000	167.3	- 6.0	.0697	120.8	+ 1.0	
1908.....	58.2917	185.8	+ .4	20.7917	144.9	-13.4	.0650	112.7	- 6.7	
1909.....	57.6250	183.7	- 1.1	25.2500	176.0	+21.4	.0637	110.4	- 2.0	
1910.....	61.5000	196.1	+ 6.7	24.6000	171.4	- 2.6	.0692	119.9	+ 8.6	
1911.....	61.5909	196.4	+ .1	24.2727	169.2	- 1.3	.0707	122.5	+ 2.2	
1912.....	61.5000	196.1	- .1	26.9545	187.9	+11.0	.0682	118.2	- 3.5	
1913.....	61.7273	196.8	+ .4	27.8636	194.2	+ 3.4	.0676	117.2	- .9	
1914.....	60.6667	193.5	- 1.7	27.4167	191.1	- 1.6	.0675	117.1	- .1	
1915.....	58.9091	187.8	- 2.9	27.0000	188.2	- 1.5	.0698	121.0	+ 3.4	
1916.....	60.2917	192.2	+ 2.3	28.2500	196.9	+ 4.6	.0927	160.7	+32.8	
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	60.0000	191.3	+ 3.4	27.0000	188.2	(1)	.0725	125.6	(1)	
February.....	60.0000	191.3	(1)	27.0000	188.2	(1)	.0800	138.6	+10.3	
March.....	60.0000	191.3	(1)	28.0000	195.1	+ 3.7	.0825	143.0	+ 3.1	
April.....	61.5000	196.1	+ 2.5	28.0000	195.1	(1)	.0975	169.0	+18.2	
May.....	61.5000	196.1	(1)	31.5000	219.5	+12.5	.0975	169.0	(1)	
June.....	61.5000	196.1	(1)	31.5000	219.5	(1)	.0975	169.0	(1)	
July.....	61.5000	196.1	(1)	28.5000	198.6	- 9.5	.0975	169.0	(1)	
August.....	59.5000	189.7	- 3.3	27.5000	191.7	- 3.5	.0975	169.0	(1)	
September.....	59.5000	189.7	(1)	27.5000	191.7	(1)	.0975	169.0	(1)	
October.....	59.5000	189.7	(1)	27.5000	191.7	(1)	.0975	169.0	(1)	
November.....	59.5000	189.7	(1)	27.5000	191.7	(1)	.0975	169.0	(1)	
December.....	59.5000	189.7	(1)	27.5000	191.7	(1)	.0975	169.0	(1)	

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.								
	Paint materials.								
	Linseed oil, raw.			Turpentine, spirits of.			Zinc, oxide of (zinc white).		
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.4535</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.3343</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0400</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.6158	135.8	.....	.4080	122.0	.....	.0425	106.3	.....
1891.....	.4842	106.8	-21.4	.3795	113.5	-7.0	.0419	104.8	-1.4
1892.....	.4083	90.0	-15.7	.3227	96.5	-15.0	.0426	106.5	+1.7
1893.....	.4633	102.2	+13.5	.3002	89.8	-7.0	.0413	103.3	-3.1
1894.....	.5242	115.6	+13.1	.2932	87.7	-2.3	.0373	93.3	-9.7
1895.....	.5242	115.6	(1)	.2923	87.4	-.3	.0350	87.5	-6.2
1896.....	.3683	81.2	-29.7	.2743	82.1	-6.2	.0383	95.8	+9.4
1897.....	.3275	72.2	-11.1	.2924	87.5	+6.6	.0377	94.3	-1.6
1898.....	.3925	86.5	+19.8	.3221	96.4	+10.2	.0396	99.0	+5.0
1899.....	.4267	94.1	+8.7	.4581	137.0	+42.2	.0438	109.5	+10.6
1900.....	.6292	138.7	+47.5	.4771	142.7	+4.1	.0451	112.8	+3.0
1901.....	.6350	140.0	+ .9	.3729	111.5	-21.8	.0438	109.5	-2.9
1902.....	.5933	130.8	-6.6	.4740	141.8	+27.1	.0440	110.0	+ .5
1903.....	.4167	91.9	-29.8	.5715	171.0	+20.6	.0463	115.8	+5.2
1904.....	.4158	91.7	-.2	.5757	172.2	+ .7	.0463	115.8	(1)
1905.....	.4675	103.1	+12.4	.6276	187.7	+9.0	.0465	116.3	+ .4
1906.....	.4050	89.3	-13.4	.6649	198.9	+5.9	.0508	127.0	+9.2
1907.....	.4342	95.7	+7.2	.6344	189.8	-4.6	.0538	134.5	+5.9
1908.....	.4375	96.5	+ .8	.4533	135.6	-28.5	.0513	128.3	-4.6
1909.....	.5800	127.9	+32.6	.4908	146.8	+8.3	.0517	129.3	+ .8
1910.....	.8467	186.7	+46.0	.6829	204.3	+39.1	.0538	134.5	+4.1
1911.....	.8792	193.9	+3.8	.6789	203.1	-.6	.0535	133.8	-.6
1912.....	.6725	148.3	-23.5	.4703	140.7	-30.7	.0515	128.8	-3.7
1913.....	.4621	101.9	-31.3	.4279	128.0	-9.0	.0538	134.5	+4.5
1914.....	.5017	110.7	+8.6	.4733	141.6	+10.6	.0538	134.5	(1)
1915.....	.5617	123.9	+12.0	.4594	137.4	-2.9	.0667	166.8	+24.0
1916.....	.7508	165.6	+33.7	.4910	146.9	+6.9	.0919	229.8	+37.8
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.6600	145.5	+8.2	.5725	171.3	+ .4	.0863	215.8	(1)
February.....	.7200	158.8	+9.1	.5775	172.7	+ .9	.0863	215.8	(1)
March.....	.7700	169.8	+6.9	.5300	158.5	-8.2	.0863	215.8	(1)
April.....	.7600	167.6	-1.3	.5525	165.3	+4.2	.0863	215.8	(1)
May.....	.7500	165.4	-1.3	.4100	122.6	-25.8	.0863	215.8	(1)
June.....	.6700	147.7	-10.7	.4350	130.1	+6.1	.0863	215.8	(1)
July.....	.6300	138.9	-6.0	.4150	124.1	-4.6	.0975	243.8	+13.0
August.....	.7100	156.6	+12.7	.4675	139.8	+12.7	.0975	243.8	(1)
September.....	.7000	154.4	-1.4	.4650	139.1	-.5	.0975	243.8	(1)
October.....	.8200	180.8	+17.1	.4625	138.3	-.5	.0975	243.8	(1)
November.....	.9000	198.5	+9.8	.4800	143.6	+3.8	.0975	243.8	(1)
December.....	.9200	202.9	+2.2	.5250	157.0	+9.4	.0975	243.8	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.									
	Putty.				Rosin: common to good, strained.			Shingles: cypress, 16 inches long.		
	In bulk, average price per pound.	In 1, 2, 3, and 5 pound tins, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per M.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0158</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$1.4399</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$2.8213</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	.0175		110.8		1.3844	96.1		3.3500	118.7	
1891.....	.0175		110.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.4740	102.4	+ 6.5	3.2500	115.2	- 3.0
1892.....	.0161		101.9	- 8.0	1.3417	93.2	- 9.0	3.1500	111.7	- 3.1
1893.....	.0160		101.3	- .6	1.2615	87.6	- 6.0	3.0000	106.3	- 4.8
1894.....	.0157		99.4	- 1.9	1.2510	86.9	- .8	2.8000	99.2	- 6.7
1895.....	.0145		91.8	- 7.6	1.5615	108.4	+24.8	2.6500	93.9	- 5.4
1896.....	.0145		91.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.7458	121.2	+11.8	2.5000	88.6	- 5.7
1897.....	.0145		91.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.6125	112.0	- 7.6	2.3500	83.3	- 6.0
1898.....	.0145		91.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	1.4208	98.7	-11.9	2.5000	88.6	+ 6.4
1899.....	.0165		106.3	+15.8	1.3458	93.5	- 5.3	2.6250	94.4	+ 6.5
1900.....	.0190		120.3	+13.1	1.6021	111.3	+19.0	2.8500	101.0	+ 7.0
1901.....	.0150		94.9	-21.1	1.5302	106.3	- 4.5	2.8500	101.0	( <sup>1</sup> )
1902.....	.0192		121.5	+28.0	1.6125	112.0	+ 5.4	2.6708	94.7	- 6.3
1903.....	.0141		89.2	-26.6	2.2156	153.9	+37.4	2.5667	91.0	- 3.9
1904.....	.0110		69.6	-22.0	2.8333	196.8	+27.9	2.6000	92.2	+ 1.3
1905.....	.0109		69.0	- .9	3.4229	237.7	+20.8	2.7250	96.6	+ 4.8
1906.....	.0119		75.3	+ 9.2	4.0146	278.8	+17.3	3.2417	114.9	+19.0
1907.....	.0120		75.9	+ .8	4.3771	304.0	+ 9.0	4.2250	149.8	+30.3
1908.....	.0120		75.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.2817	227.9	-25.0	3.5375	125.4	-16.3
1909.....	.0120		75.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.5000	243.1	+ 6.7	3.2667	115.8	- 7.7
1910.....	.0115		72.8	- 4.2	5.2333	363.4	+49.5	3.4917	123.8	+ 6.9
1911.....	.0115		72.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.7167	466.5	+28.3	3.6083	127.9	+ 3.3
1912.....	.0115		72.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.6417	461.3	- 1.1	3.4833	123.5	- 3.5
1913.....	.0115		72.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	4.8167	334.5	-27.5	3.5417	125.5	+ 1.7
1914.....	.0115		72.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	4.0167	279.0	-16.6	3.3292	118.0	- 6.0
1915.....	.0115	\$0.0265	72.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.7667	261.6	- 6.2	3.0667	108.7	- 7.9
1916.....	.0325		89.3	+22.6	5.8000	402.8	+54.0	3.4458	122.1	+12.4
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.0265		72.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.9500	413.2	- .8	3.2500	115.2	( <sup>1</sup> )
February.....	.0330		90.7	+24.5	5.7500	399.3	- 3.4	3.4000	120.5	+ 4.6
March.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.4000	375.0	- 6.1	3.4000	120.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.2000	361.1	- 3.7	3.4000	120.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	4.3000	298.6	-17.3	3.4000	120.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.1000	354.2	+18.6	3.4000	120.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	5.5000	382.0	+ 7.8	3.4000	120.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
August.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.6500	461.8	+20.9	3.4000	120.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.1500	427.1	- 7.5	3.5000	124.1	+ 2.9
October.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.2500	434.1	+ 1.6	3.5000	124.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.5500	454.9	+ 4.8	3.6500	129.4	+ 4.3
December.....	.0330		90.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	6.8000	472.3	+ 3.8	3.6500	129.4	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Lumber and building materials.							
	Shingles.				Tar.			
	White pine, 18 inches long, average price per M.	Michigan white pine, 16 inches long, average price per M.	Red cedar, 16 inches long, average price per M.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	\$3.7434			100.0		\$1.2048	100.0	
1890	3.8417			102.6		1.4750	122.4	
1891	4.0000			106.9	+ 4.1	1.5833	131.4	+ 7.3
1892	3.9063			104.4	- 2.3	1.3000	107.9	-17.9
1893	3.8500			102.8	- 1.4	1.0458	86.8	-19.6
1894	3.7500			100.2	- 2.6	1.0917	90.6	+ 4.4
1895	3.7000			98.8	- 1.3	1.1417	94.8	+ 4.6
1896	3.6125			96.5	- 2.4	1.0125	84.0	-11.3
1897	3.5417			94.6	- 2.0	1.0542	87.5	+ 4.1
1898	3.5521			94.9	+ .3	1.0979	91.1	+ 4.1
1899	3.6792			98.3	+ 3.6	1.2458	103.4	+13.5
1900	4.0000			106.9	+ 8.7	1.3625	113.1	+ 9.4
1901	4.1875	\$3.2625		111.9	+ 4.7	1.2817	106.4	- 5.9
1902		3.5875		123.0	+10.0	1.3250	110.0	+ 3.4
1903		3.6500		125.1	+ 1.7	1.6792	139.4	+26.7
1904		3.5750		122.5	- 2.1	1.6792	139.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1905		3.5000	\$1.6875	119.9	- 2.1	1.7583	145.9	+ 4.7
1906			2.212	157.2	+31.1	1.9583	162.5	+11.4
1907			2.6958	191.5	+21.8	2.3292	193.3	+18.9
1908			2.0125	143.0	-25.3	1.6000	132.8	-31.3
1909			2.0042	142.4	- .4	1.6375	135.9	+ 2.3
1910			2.0083	142.7	+ .2	2.2542	187.1	+37.7
1911			1.8133	128.8	- 9.7	2.1250	176.4	- 5.7
1912			1.9392	137.7	+ 6.9	2.0000	166.0	- 5.9
1913			1.9667	139.7	+ 1.4	2.2250	184.7	+11.3
1914			1.7125	121.7	-12.9	2.1875	181.6	- 1.7
1915			1.6642	118.3	- 2.8	1.7333	143.9	-20.8
1916			1.9100	135.7	+14.8	2.2542	187.1	+30.1
<b>1916.</b>								
January			1.7700	125.8	- 1.7	2.1000	174.3	-12.5
February			1.8600	132.2	+ 5.1	2.0000	166.0	- 4.8
March			1.9100	135.7	+ 2.7	1.7000	141.1	-15.0
April			1.9300	137.1	+ 1.0	2.0000	166.0	+17.6
May			1.9100	135.7	- 1.0	1.9000	157.7	- 5.0
June			1.9000	135.0	- .5	1.9000	157.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
July			1.8500	131.4	- 2.6	2.3000	190.9	+21.1
August			1.8400	130.7	- .5	2.6000	215.8	+13.0
September			1.8000	127.9	- 2.2	2.7500	228.3	+ 5.8
October			2.0000	142.1	+11.1	2.6000	215.8	- 5.5
November			2.1000	149.2	+ 5.0	2.6000	215.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
December			2.0500	145.7	- 2.4	2.6000	215.8	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Drugs and chemicals.								
	Alcohol.						Alum: lump.		
	Grain.			Wood: refined, 95 per cent.					
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$2.2405</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.9539</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.0167</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	2.0717	92.5	.....	1.1375	119.2	.....	.0182	109.0	.....
1891.....	2.2150	98.9	+6.9	1.1598	121.6	+ 2.0	.0158	94.6	-13.2
1892.....	2.1417	95.6	-3.3	1.2973	136.0	+11.9	.0160	95.8	+ 1.3
1893.....	2.1808	97.3	+1.8	1.2917	135.4	- .4	.0174	104.2	+ 8.8
1894.....	2.1521	96.1	-1.3	.7198	75.5	-44.3	.0169	101.2	- 2.9
1895.....	2.3292	104.0	+8.2	.8667	90.0	+20.4	.0160	95.8	- 5.3
1896.....	2.3008	102.7	-1.2	.8500	89.1	- 1.9	.0164	98.2	+ 2.5
1897.....	2.2737	101.6	-1.0	.6938	72.9	-18.4	.0166	99.4	+ 1.2
1898.....	2.3250	103.8	+2.1	.7500	78.6	+ 8.1	.0165	98.8	- .6
1899.....	2.4117	107.6	+3.7	.7708	80.8	+ 2.8	.0168	100.6	+ 1.8
1900.....	2.3867	106.5	-1.0	.8000	83.9	+ 3.8	.0176	104.8	+ 4.2
1901.....	2.4583	109.7	+3.0	.6125	64.2	-23.4	.0175	104.8	(1)
1902.....	2.4057	107.4	-2.1	.6417	67.3	+ 4.8	.0175	104.8	(1)
1903.....	2.3958	106.9	- .4	.5917	62.0	- 7.8	.0173	103.6	- 1.1
1904.....	2.4325	108.6	+1.5	.5875	61.6	- .7	.0175	104.8	+ 1.2
1905.....	2.4275	108.3	- .2	.6750	70.8	+14.9	.0175	104.8	(1)
1906.....	2.4642	110.0	+1.5	.7000	73.4	+ 3.7	.0175	104.8	(1)
1907.....	2.5229	112.6	+2.4	.3992	41.8	-43.0	.0175	104.8	(1)
1908.....	2.6367	117.7	+4.5	.4275	44.8	+ 7.1	.0175	104.8	(1)
1909.....	2.6175	116.8	- .7	.5000	52.4	+17.0	.0175	104.8	(1)
1910.....	2.5525	113.9	-2.5	.5000	52.4	(1)	.0175	104.8	(1)
1911.....	2.5350	113.1	- .7	.5000	52.4	(1)	.0175	104.8	(1)
1912.....	2.5692	114.7	+1.3	.5000	52.4	(1)	.0175	104.8	(1)
1913.....	2.4992	111.5	-2.7	.4783	50.1	- 4.3	.0175	104.8	(1)
1914.....	2.5525	113.9	+2.1	.4500	47.1	- 6.0	.0198	118.5	+13.1
1915.....	2.5617	114.3	+ .4	.4583	48.0	+ 1.8	.0298	178.4	+50.5
1916.....	2.6633	118.9	+4.0	.6708	70.3	+46.4	.0408	244.3	+36.9
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	2.6400	117.8	(1)	.5500	57.7	+10.0	.0400	239.5	(1)
February.....	2.6400	117.8	(1)	.6000	62.9	+ 9.1	.0400	239.5	(1)
March.....	2.6600	118.7	+ .8	.6500	68.1	+ 8.3	.0425	254.5	+ 6.3
April.....	2.6600	118.7	(1)	.6500	68.1	(1)	.0425	254.5	(1)
May.....	2.6600	118.7	(1)	.6500	68.1	(1)	.0425	254.5	(1)
June.....	2.6600	118.7	.....	.6500	68.1	(1)	.0425	254.5	(1)
July.....	2.6600	118.7	(1)	.6500	68.1	(1)	.0400	239.5	- 5.9
August.....	2.6600	118.7	(1)	.6500	68.1	(1)	.0400	239.5	(1)
September.....	2.6600	118.7	(1)	.6500	68.1	(1)	.0400	239.5	(1)
October.....	2.6600	118.7	(1)	.7000	73.4	+ 7.7	.0400	239.5	(1)
November.....	2.7000	120.5	+1.5	.7500	78.6	+ 7.1	.0400	239.5	(1)
December.....	2.7000	120.5	(1)	.9000	94.3	+20.0	.0400	239.5	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Drugs and chemicals.									
	Borax: crystals.			Glycerin: refined.			Muriatic acid: 20°.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>				<b>\$0. 1399</b>	<b>100. 0</b>		<b>\$0. 0104</b>	<b>100. 0</b>		
1890				. 1767	126. 3		. 0104	100. 0		
1891				. 1538	109. 9	-13. 0	. 0098	94. 2	- 5. 8	
1892				. 1396	99. 8	- 9. 2	. 0121	116. 3	+23. 5	
1893				. 1346	96. 2	- 3. 6	. 0101	97. 1	-16. 5	
1894				. 1194	85. 3	-11. 3	. 0088	84. 6	-12. 9	
1895				. 1204	86. 1	+ . 8	. 0083	79. 8	- 5. 7	
1896				. 1671	119. 4	+38. 8	. 0075	72. 1	- 9. 6	
1897				. 1308	93. 5	-21. 7	. 0109	104. 8	+45. 3	
1898				. 1238	88. 5	- 5. 4	. 0128	123. 1	+17. 4	
1899				. 1329	95. 0	+ 7. 4	. 0135	129. 8	+ 5. 5	
1900				. 1515	108. 3	+14. 0	. 0135	129. 8	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1901				. 1504	107. 5	- . 7	. 0150	144. 2	+11. 1	
1902				. 1444	103. 2	- 4. 0	. 0168	161. 5	+12. 0	
1903				. 1446	103. 4	+ . 1	. 0160	153. 8	- 4. 8	
1904				. 1396	99. 8	- 3. 5	. 0160	153. 8	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1905				. 1238	88. 5	-11. 3	. 0160	153. 8	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1906				. 1129	80. 7	- 8. 8	. 0135	129. 8	-15. 6	
1907				. 1383	98. 9	+22. 5	. 0135	129. 8	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1908				. 1492	106. 6	+ 7. 9	. 0135	129. 8	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1909				. 1700	121. 5	+13. 9	. 0134	128. 8	- . 7	
1910				. 2142	153. 1	+26. 0	. 0130	125. 0	- 3. 0	
1911				. 2269	162. 2	+ 5. 9	. 0130	125. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1912				. 1842	131. 7	-18. 8	. 0130	125. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1913				. 1971	140. 9	+ 7. 0	. 0130	125. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1914	\$0. 0375	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 2148	153. 6	+ 9. 0	. 0130	125. 0	( <sup>1</sup> )	
1915	. 0467	( <sup>2</sup> )	+24. 5	. 2960	211. 6	+37. 8	. 0161	154. 8	+23. 8	
1916	. 0654	( <sup>2</sup> )	+40. 0	. 5079	363. 0	+71. 6	. 0246	236. 5	+52. 8	
<b>1916.</b>										
January	. 0575	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5250	375. 3	-19. 2	. 0200	192. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	
February	. 0625	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 8. 7	. 5200	371. 7	- 1. 0	. 0275	264. 4	+37. 5	
March	. 0625	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5300	378. 8	+ 1. 9	. 0275	264. 4	( <sup>1</sup> )	
April	. 0625	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5700	407. 4	+ 7. 5	. 0275	264. 4	( <sup>1</sup> )	
May	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	+ 8. 0	. 6000	428. 9	+ 5. 3	. 0275	264. 4	( <sup>1</sup> )	
June	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5500	393. 1	- 8. 3	. 0325	312. 5	+18. 2	
July	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5000	357. 4	- 9. 1	. 0275	264. 4	-15. 4	
August	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 4000	285. 9	-20. 0	. 0225	216. 3	-18. 2	
September	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 4000	285. 9	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 0225	216. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	
October	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 4500	321. 7	+12. 5	. 0200	192. 3	-11. 1	
November	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5250	375. 3	+16. 7	. 0200	192. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	
December	. 0675	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 5250	375. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	. 0200	192. 3	( <sup>1</sup> )	

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Drugs and chemicals.					
	Opium: natural, in cases.			Quinine: manufacturers' quotations.		
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per ounce.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
Average, 1890-1899..	\$2.3602	100.0	.....	\$0.2460	100.0	.....
1890.....	2.6208	111.0	.....	.3275	133.1	.....
1891.....	1.9438	82.4	-25.8	.2508	102.0	- 23.4
1892.....	1.6708	70.8	-14.0	.2183	88.7	- 13.0
1893.....	2.3917	101.3	+43.1	.2150	87.4	- 1.5
1894.....	2.2854	96.8	- 4.4	.2621	106.5	+ 21.9
1895.....	1.8413	78.0	-19.4	.2508	102.0	- 4.3
1896.....	2.0917	88.6	+13.6	.2406	97.8	- 4.1
1897.....	2.3417	99.2	+12.0	.1829	74.3	- 24.0
1898.....	3.3417	141.6	+42.7	.2146	87.2	+ 17.3
1899.....	3.0729	130.2	- 8.0	.2975	120.9	+ 38.6
1900.....	3.2000	135.6	+ 4.1	.3325	135.2	+ 11.8
1901.....	3.2292	136.8	+ .9	.3025	123.0	- 9.0
1902.....	2.8313	120.0	-12.3	.2575	104.7	- 14.9
1903.....	3.0813	130.6	+ 8.8	.2525	102.6	- 1.9
1904.....	2.7500	116.5	-10.8	.2333	94.8	- 7.6
1905.....	3.0333	128.5	+10.3	.2100	85.4	- 10.0
1906.....	2.9500	125.0	- 2.7	.1658	67.4	- 21.0
1907.....	4.9458	209.6	+67.7	.1775	72.2	+ 7.1
1908.....	4.7146	199.8	- 4.7	.1567	63.7	- 11.7
1909.....	4.6104	195.3	- 2.2	.1408	57.2	- 10.1
1910.....	5.3708	227.6	+65.5	.1400	56.9	- .6
1911.....	6.4333	272.6	+19.8	.1400	56.9	(1)
1912.....	7.1167	301.5	+10.9	.1767	71.8	+ 26.2
1913.....	6.0167	254.9	-15.5	.2196	89.3	+ 24.3
1914.....	7.3545	311.5	+22.2	.2725	110.8	+ 24.1
1915.....	8.0917	342.8	+10.0	.3283	133.5	+ 20.5
1916.....	11.3375	480.4	+40.1	.6833	277.8	+108.1
1916.						
January.....	11.0000	466.1	(1)	.7500	304.9	+ 50.1
February.....	11.0000	466.1	(1)	.7500	304.9	(1)
March.....	11.5000	487.2	+ 4.5	.7500	304.9	(1)
April.....	11.5000	487.2	(1)	.7500	304.9	(1)
May.....	11.5000	487.2	(1)	.7500	304.9	(1)
June.....	11.5000	487.2	(1)	.7500	304.9	(1)
July.....	11.4000	483.0	- .9	.7500	304.9	(1)
August.....	10.9000	461.8	- 4.4	.7500	304.9	(1)
September.....	10.7500	455.5	- 1.4	.6500	264.2	- 13.3
October.....	10.5000	444.9	- 2.3	.5000	203.3	- 23.1
November.....	12.0000	508.4	+14.3	.5000	203.3	(1)
December.....	12.5000	529.6	+ 4.2	.5500	223.6	+ 10.0

1 Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Drugs and chemicals.					
	Sulphur (brimstone): stick, crude.			Sulphuric acid: 66°.		
	Average price per long ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$20.6958</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.0089</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	21.1458	102.2	.....	.0088	98.9	.....
1891.....	28.6042	138.2	+35.3	.0081	91.0	- 8.0
1892.....	24.1458	116.7	-15.6	.0095	106.7	+17.3
1893.....	18.7292	90.5	-22.4	.0085	95.5	-10.5
1894.....	16.5833	80.1	-11.5	.0073	82.0	-14.1
1895.....	15.6250	75.5	- 5.8	.0070	78.7	- 4.1
1896.....	17.9583	86.8	+14.9	.0070	78.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
1897.....	20.1250	97.2	+12.1	.0095	106.7	+35.7
1898.....	22.9167	110.7	+13.9	.0113	127.0	+18.9
1899.....	21.1250	102.1	- 7.8	.0120	134.8	+ 6.2
1900.....	21.1458	102.2	+ .1	.0120	134.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
1901.....	22.0000	106.3	+ 4.0	.0125	140.4	+ 4.2
1902.....	23.4375	113.2	+ 6.5	.0130	146.1	+ 4.0
1903.....	22.3333	107.9	- 4.7	.0127	142.7	- 2.3
1904.....	21.7750	105.2	- 2.5	.0129	144.9	+ 1.6
1905.....	21.2667	102.8	- 2.3	.0124	139.3	- 3.9
1906.....	22.1563	107.1	+ 4.2	.0100	112.4	-19.4
1907.....	21.4983	103.9	- 3.0	.0100	112.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1908.....	21.7917	105.3	+ 1.4	.0102	114.6	+ 2.0
1909.....	22.0000	106.3	+ 1.0	.0100	112.4	- 2.0
1910.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0100	112.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1911.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0100	112.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1912.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0100	112.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1913.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0100	112.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1914.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0100	112.4	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0129	144.9	+29.0
1916.....	31.3333	151.4	+42.4	.0200	224.7	+55.0
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0200	224.7	+14.3
February.....	22.0000	106.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0250	280.9	+25.0
March.....	28.5000	137.7	+29.5	.0250	280.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	29.0000	140.1	+ 1.8	.0250	280.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
May.....	29.5000	142.5	+ 1.7	.0250	280.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	35.0000	169.1	+18.6	.0250	280.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	35.0000	169.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0200	224.7	-20.0
August.....	35.0000	169.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0150	168.5	-25.0
September.....	35.0000	169.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0150	168.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
October.....	35.0000	169.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0150	168.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	35.0000	169.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0150	168.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
December.....	35.0000	169.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.0150	168.5	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	House-furnishing goods.									
	Earthenware.									
	Plates: cream colored.			Plates: white granite.			Teacups and saucers: white granite.			
	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per gross (6 dozen cups and 6 dozen saucers).	Average price per dozen cups and dozen saucers.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.04136</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.04479</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$3.4292</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.4465	108.0	.....	.4888	109.1	.....	3.7600	.....	109.6	.....
1891.....	.4367	105.6	-2.2	.4786	106.9	-2.1	3.6817	.....	107.4	-2.1
1892.....	.4230	102.3	-3.1	.4644	103.7	-3.0	3.5720	.....	104.2	-3.0
1893.....	.4230	102.3	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4644	103.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.5720	.....	104.2	( <sup>1</sup> )
1894.....	.4177	101.0	-1.3	.4566	101.9	-1.7	3.5250	.....	102.8	-1.3
1895.....	.3913	94.6	-6.3	.4162	92.9	-8.8	3.2374	.....	94.4	-8.2
1896.....	.3807	92.0	-2.7	.3991	89.1	-4.1	3.0907	.....	90.1	-4.5
1897.....	.3807	92.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.3991	89.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.0907	.....	90.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
1898.....	.4153	100.4	+9.1	.4515	100.8	+13.1	3.3595	.....	98.0	+8.7
1899.....	.4208	101.7	+1.3	.4607	102.9	+2.0	3.4026	.....	99.2	+1.3
1900.....	.4410	106.6	+4.8	.4841	108.1	+5.1	3.5750	.....	104.3	+5.1
1901.....	.4655	112.5	+5.6	.5096	113.8	+5.3	3.7632	.....	109.7	+5.3
1902.....	.4655	112.5	( <sup>1</sup> )	.5096	113.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.7632	.....	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
1903.....	.4775	115.4	+2.6	.4988	111.4	-2.1	3.6832	.....	107.4	-2.1
1904.....	.4705	113.8	-1.5	.4943	110.4	-9	3.6503	.....	106.4	-9
1905.....	.4410	106.6	-6.3	.4586	102.4	-7.2	3.3869	.....	98.8	-7.2
1906.....	.4410	106.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4586	102.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.3869	.....	98.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
1907.....	.4410	106.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4586	102.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.3869	.....	98.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
1908.....	.4300	104.0	-2.5	.4586	102.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.3869	.....	98.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
1909.....	.4300	104.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4586	102.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.3869	.....	98.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
1910.....	.4333	104.8	+ .8	.4621	103.2	+ .8	3.4128	.....	99.5	+ .8
1911.....	.4333	104.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4621	103.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.4128	.....	99.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
1912.....	.4333	104.8	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4621	103.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	3.4128	.....	99.5	( <sup>1</sup> )
1913.....	.4344	105.0	+ .3	.4633	103.4	+ .3	.....	\$.5688	99.7	.....
1914.....	.4344	105.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4633	103.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.5702	99.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
1915.....	.4344	105.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4633	103.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.5702	99.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
1916.....	.4541	109.8	+4.5	.4844	108.1	+4.6	.....	.5962	104.3	+4.6
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.4344	105.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4633	103.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.5702	99.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
February.....	.4344	105.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4633	103.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.5702	99.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
March.....	.4344	105.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4633	103.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.5702	99.7	( <sup>1</sup> )
April.....	.4607	111.4	+6.1	.4914	109.7	+6.1	.....	.6048	105.8	+6.1
May.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
June.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
July.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
August.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
September.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
October.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
November.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
December.....	.4607	111.4	( <sup>1</sup> )	.4914	109.7	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.6048	105.8	( <sup>1</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	House-furnishing goods.								
	Furniture.								
	Bedroom sets.				Chairs: bedroom.				
	Ash, in New York, average price per set.	Iron bedstead, hardwood dresser and washstand, in New York, average price per set.	Iron bedstead, hardwood dresser and washstand, in Chicago, average price per set.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Maple, cane seat, in New York, average price per dozen.	Oak rocker, in Chicago, average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	\$10.5550			100.0		\$6.1950		100.0	
1890	12.0000			113.7		7.0000		113.0	
1891	12.0000			113.7	(1)	7.0000		113.0	(1)
1892	12.0000			113.7	(1)	6.8500		110.6	- 2.1
1893	11.0000			104.2	- 8.3	6.8500		110.6	(1)
1894	11.0000			104.2	(1)	6.0000		96.9	-12.4
1895	9.9500			94.3	- 9.5	6.0000		96.9	(1)
1896	8.7500			82.9	-12.1	6.0000		96.9	(1)
1897	8.7500			82.9	(1)	5.0000		80.7	-16.7
1898	10.0000			94.7	+14.3	5.1250		83.7	+ 2.5
1899	10.1000			95.7	+ 1.0	6.1250		98.9	+19.5
1900	11.2500			106.6	+11.4	8.0000		129.1	+30.6
1901	11.2500			106.6	(1)	7.0000		113.0	-12.5
1902	11.7500			111.3	+ 4.4	7.3330		118.4	+ 4.8
1903	12.1670			115.3	+ 3.5	7.9170		127.8	+ 8.0
1904	12.2500			116.1	+ .7	8.0000		129.1	+ 1.0
1905	12.3540			117.0	+ .8	8.0000		129.1	(1)
1906	12.9580			122.8	+ 4.9	8.9170		143.9	+11.5
1907	14.5000	\$11.2500		137.4	+11.9	10.0000		161.4	+12.1
1908		11.0000		134.3	- 2.2	9.4170		152.0	- 5.8
1909		10.8750		132.8	- 1.1	9.0000		145.3	- 4.4
1910		11.8750		145.0	+ 9.2	9.0000		145.3	(1)
1911		13.7500		167.9	+15.8	9.0000		145.3	(1)
1912		15.2500		186.2	+10.9	9.5000		153.3	+ 5.6
1913		18.0000	\$16.7500	219.8	+18.0	10.5000	\$11.0000	169.5	+10.5
1914			16.2500	213.2	- 3.0		11.0000	169.5	(1)
1915			16.2500	213.2	(1)		11.0000	169.5	(1)
1916			20.0083	262.6	+23.1		12.6667	195.2	+15.2
<b>1916.</b>									
January			17.7500	232.9	+ 9.2		11.5000	177.2	+ 4.5
February			17.7500	232.9	(1)		11.5000	177.2	(1)
March			18.1000	237.5	+ 2.0		11.5000	177.2	(1)
April			18.1000	237.5	(1)		12.5000	192.6	+ 8.7
May			19.2500	252.6	+ 6.4		12.5000	192.6	(1)
June			19.2500	252.6	(1)		12.5000	192.6	(1)
July			21.6500	284.1	+12.5		12.5000	192.6	(1)
August			21.6500	284.1	(1)		13.5000	208.0	+ 8.0
September			21.6500	284.1	(1)		13.5000	208.0	(1)
October			21.6500	284.1	(1)		13.5000	208.0	(1)
November			21.6500	284.1	(1)		13.5000	208.0	(1)
December			21.6500	284.1	(1)		13.5000	208.0	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	House-furnishing goods.							
	Furniture.							
	Chairs: kitchen.				Tables: kitchen.			
	Common spindle, in New York, average price per dozen.	Hardwood, bow back, in Chicago, average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	3½-foot, in New York, average price per dozen.	Hardwood base, 24 by 42 inches, in Chicago, average price per table.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	\$3.8255	.....	100.0	.....	\$14.4350	.....	100.0	.....
1890.....	4.2000	.....	109.8	.....	15.0000	.....	103.9	.....
1891.....	4.2000	.....	109.8	(1)	15.0000	.....	103.9	(1)
1892.....	4.2500	.....	111.1	+ 1.2	15.0000	.....	103.9	(1)
1893.....	4.2500	.....	111.1	(1)	15.0000	.....	103.9	(1)
1894.....	3.5000	.....	91.5	-17.6	14.2500	.....	98.7	- 5.0
1895.....	3.5000	.....	91.5	(1)	14.2500	.....	98.7	(1)
1896.....	3.5000	.....	91.5	(1)	13.8000	.....	95.6	- 3.2
1897.....	3.5000	.....	91.5	(1)	13.8000	.....	95.6	(1)
1898.....	3.3130	.....	86.6	- 5.3	13.8000	.....	95.6	(1)
1899.....	4.0420	.....	105.7	+22.0	14.4500	.....	100.1	+ 4.7
1900.....	5.2080	.....	136.1	+28.8	15.6000	.....	108.1	+ 8.0
1901.....	4.7500	.....	124.2	- 8.8	15.6000	.....	108.1	(1)
1902.....	4.9167	.....	128.5	+ 3.5	15.6000	.....	108.1	(1)
1903.....	5.0000	.....	130.7	+ 1.7	15.6000	.....	108.1	(1)
1904.....	4.7708	.....	124.7	- 4.6	15.6000	.....	108.1	(1)
1905.....	4.7500	.....	124.2	- .4	15.6000	.....	108.1	(1)
1906.....	5.1250	.....	134.0	+ 7.9	16.5000	.....	114.3	+ 5.8
1907.....	5.7917	.....	151.4	+13.0	18.0000	.....	124.7	+ 9.1
1908.....	6.0000	.....	156.8	+ 3.6	18.0000	.....	124.7	(1)
1909.....	5.5833	.....	145.9	- 6.9	18.0000	.....	124.7	(1)
1910.....	5.5000	.....	143.8	- 1.5	20.0000	.....	138.6	+11.1
1911.....	5.7500	.....	150.3	+ 4.5	21.0000	.....	145.5	+ 5.0
1912.....	6.0000	.....	156.8	+ 4.3	22.8000	.....	157.9	+ 8.6
1913.....	6.0000	\$6.5000	156.8	(1)	22.8000	\$1.4500	157.9	(1)
1914.....	.....	6.5000	156.8	(1)	.....	1.4500	157.9	(1)
1915.....	.....	6.5000	156.8	(1)	.....	1.4500	157.9	(1)
1916.....	.....	7.1458	172.4	+ 9.9	.....	1.5583	168.7	+ 7.5
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....	.....	6.5000	156.8	(1)	.....	1.4500	157.9	(1)
February.....	.....	6.5000	156.8	(1)	.....	1.4500	157.9	(1)
March.....	.....	6.5000	156.8	(1)	.....	1.5500	168.8	+ 6.9
April.....	.....	7.0000	168.9	+ 7.7	.....	1.5500	168.8	(1)
May.....	.....	7.0000	168.9	(1)	.....	1.5500	168.8	(1)
June.....	.....	7.0000	168.9	(1)	.....	1.5500	168.8	(1)
July.....	.....	7.0000	168.9	(1)	.....	1.6000	174.2	+ 3.2
August.....	.....	7.5000	180.9	+ 7.1	.....	1.6000	174.2	(1)
September.....	.....	7.5000	180.9	(1)	.....	1.6000	174.2	(1)
October.....	.....	7.7500	187.0	+ 3.3	.....	1.6000	174.2	(1)
November.....	.....	7.7500	187.0	(1)	.....	1.6000	174.2	(1)
December.....	.....	7.7500	187.0	(1)	.....	1.6000	174.2	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	House-furnishing goods.								
	Glassware.								
	Nappies: 4-inch.			Pitchers: ½-gallon, common.			Tumblers: ¼-pint, common.		
	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.1120</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.1750</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.1775</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.1200	107.1	.....	1.2500	106.4	.....	.1800	101.4	.....
1891.....	.1200	107.1	(1)	1.2500	106.4	(1)	.2000	112.7	+11.1
1892.....	.1200	107.1	(1)	1.2500	106.4	(1)	.1900	107.0	-5.0
1893.....	.1200	107.1	(1)	1.2500	106.4	(1)	.1900	107.0	(1)
1894.....	.1200	107.1	(1)	1.2500	106.4	(1)	.1900	107.0	(1)
1895.....	.1200	107.1	(1)	1.2500	106.4	(1)	.1850	104.2	-2.6
1896.....	.1000	89.3	-16.7	1.2500	106.4	(1)	.1800	101.4	-2.7
1897.....	.1000	89.3	(1)	1.0900	85.1	-20.0	.1700	95.8	-5.6
1898.....	.1000	89.3	(1)	1.0900	85.1	(1)	.1600	90.1	-5.9
1899.....	.1000	89.3	(1)	1.0900	85.1	(1)	.1300	73.2	-18.8
1900.....	.1000	89.3	(1)	1.0900	85.1	(1)	.1800	101.4	+38.5
1901.....	.1400	125.0	+40.0	1.3000	110.6	+30.0	.1800	101.4	(1)
1902.....	.1400	125.0	(1)	1.3000	110.6	(1)	.1850	104.2	+2.8
1903.....	.1400	125.0	(1)	1.3000	110.6	(1)	.1767	99.5	-4.5
1904.....	.1400	125.0	(1)	1.1500	97.9	-11.5	.1600	90.1	-9.5
1905.....	.1400	125.0	(1)	1.0500	89.4	-8.7	.1500	84.5	-6.3
1906.....	.1400	125.0	(1)	1.0500	89.4	(1)	.1500	84.5	(1)
1907.....	.1400	125.0	(1)	1.0500	89.4	(1)	.1500	84.5	(1)
1908.....	.1220	108.9	-12.9	.9630	82.0	-8.3	.1325	74.6	-11.7
1909.....	.1170	104.5	-4.1	.9960	84.8	+3.4	.1342	75.6	+1.3
1910.....	.1130	100.9	-3.4	.9420	80.2	-5.4	.1200	67.6	-10.6
1911.....	.1100	98.2	-2.7	.8000	68.1	-15.1	.1100	62.0	-8.3
1912.....	.1100	98.2	(1)	.8000	68.1	(1)	.1100	62.0	(1)
1913.....	.1100	98.2	(1)	.8000	68.1	(1)	.1200	67.6	+9.2
1914.....	.1200	107.1	+9.1	.9000	76.6	+12.5	.1200	67.6	(1)
1915.....	.1350	120.5	+12.5	.8500	72.3	-5.6	.1100	62.0	-8.3
1916.....	.1613	144.0	+19.5	1.0000	85.1	+17.6	.1250	70.4	+13.6
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	.1500	133.9	+11.1	.9500	80.9	+11.8	.1200	67.6	+9.1
February.....	.1500	133.9	(1)	.9500	80.9	(1)	.1200	67.6	(1)
March.....	.1500	133.9	(1)	.9500	80.9	(1)	.1200	67.6	(1)
April.....	.1500	133.9	(1)	.9500	80.9	(1)	.1200	67.6	(1)
May.....	.1500	133.9	(1)	.9500	80.9	(1)	.1200	67.6	(1)
June.....	.1500	133.9	(1)	.9500	80.9	(1)	.1200	67.6	(1)
July.....	.1700	151.8	+13.3	1.0000	85.1	+5.3	.1200	67.6	(1)
August.....	.1700	151.8	(1)	1.0000	85.1	(1)	.1200	67.6	(1)
September.....	.1700	151.8	(1)	1.0000	85.1	(1)	.1300	73.2	+8.3
October.....	.1750	156.3	+2.9	1.1000	93.6	+10.0	.1300	73.2	(1)
November.....	.1750	156.3	(1)	1.1000	93.6	(1)	.1400	78.9	+7.7
December.....	.1750	156.3	(1)	1.1000	93.6	(1)	.1400	78.9	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	House-furnishing goods.					
	Table cutlery.					
	Carvers: stag handles.			Knives and forks: cocobolo handles.		
	Average price per pair.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per gross.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b>	<b>\$0. 8000</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....	<b>\$6. 0600</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	.....
1890.....	. 8000	100. 0	.....	7. 7500	127. 9	.....
1891.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	7. 7500	127. 9	(1)
1892.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	6. 8500	113. 0	-11. 6
1893.....	. 9500	118. 8	+18. 8	5. 5000	90. 8	-19. 7
1894.....	. 8000	100. 0	-15. 8	5. 5000	90. 8	(1)
1895.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	5. 5000	90. 8	(1)
1896.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	5. 5000	90. 8	(1)
1897.....	. 7500	93. 8	- 6. 2	5. 0000	82. 5	- 9. 1
1898.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 5000	90. 8	+10. 0
1899.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 7500	94. 9	+ 4. 5
1900.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 7500	94. 9	(1)
1901.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	6. 5000	107. 3	+13. 0
1902.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	6. 5000	107. 3	(1)
1903.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	6. 5000	107. 3	(1)
1904.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	6. 6667	110. 0	+ 2. 6
1905.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	6. 6875	110. 4	+ . 3
1906.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	6. 0500	99. 8	- 9. 5
1907.....	. 8000	100. 0	+ 6. 7	6. 4833	107. 0	+ 7. 2
1908.....	. 7500	93. 8	- 6. 2	5. 4167	89. 4	-16. 5
1909.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 0000	82. 5	- 7. 7
1910.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 0000	82. 5	(1)
1910.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 0000	82. 5	(1)
1912.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 2917	87. 3	+ 5. 8
1913.....	. 7500	93. 8	(1)	5. 7500	94. 9	+ 8. 7
1914.....	. 7667	95. 9	+ 2. 2	5. 8125	95. 9	+ 1. 1
1915.....	. 7500	93. 8	- 2. 2	5. 7500	94. 9	- 1. 1
1916.....	. 8583	107. 3	+14. 4	6. 8750	113. 4	+19. 6
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	. 8000	100. 0	+ 6. 7	6. 2500	103. 1	+ 8. 7
February.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	6. 2500	103. 1	(1)
March.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	6. 2500	103. 1	(1)
April.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	6. 2500	103. 1	(1)
May.....	. 8000	100. 0	(1)	6. 2500	103. 1	(1)
June.....	. 9000	112. 5	+12. 5	6. 7500	111. 4	+ 8. 0
July.....	. 9000	112. 5	(1)	6. 7500	111. 4	(1)
August.....	. 9000	112. 5	(1)	6. 7500	111. 4	(1)
September.....	. 9000	112. 5	(1)	7. 5000	123. 8	+11. 1
October.....	. 9000	112. 5	(1)	7. 5000	123. 8	(1)
November.....	. 9000	112. 5	(1)	7. 5000	123. 8	(1)
December.....	. 9000	112. 5	(1)	8. 5000	140. 3	+13. 3

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	House-furnishing goods.					
	Woodenware.					
	Pails: oak-grained.			Tubs: oak-grained.		
	Average price per dozen.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per nest of 3.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$1.2983</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$1.3471</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....	1.5917	122.6		1.6500	122.5	
1891.....	1.4500	111.6	- 8.9	1.5667	116.3	- 5.0
1892.....	1.3500	103.9	- 6.9	1.4000	103.9	-10.6
1893.....	1.3125	101.1	- 2.8	1.3083	97.1	- 6.6
1894.....	1.2583	96.9	- 4.1	1.2375	95.6	- 1.6
1895.....	1.1208	86.3	-10.9	1.2500	92.8	- 2.9
1896.....	1.2625	97.2	+12.6	1.2500	92.8	(1)
1897.....	1.2417	95.6	- 1.6	1.2500	92.8	(1)
1898.....	1.1333	87.3	- 8.7	1.2500	92.8	(1)
1899.....	1.2667	97.5	+11.8	1.2583	93.4	+ .7
1900.....	1.4917	114.9	+17.8	1.4417	107.0	+14.6
1901.....	1.5500	119.3	+ 3.9	1.4500	107.6	+ .6
1902.....	1.5500	119.3	(1)	1.4500	107.6	(1)
1903.....	1.5875	122.2	+ 2.4	1.4500	107.6	(1)
1904.....	1.7000	130.9	+ 7.1	1.4500	107.6	(1)
1905.....	1.7000	130.9	(1)	1.4500	107.6	(1)
1906.....	1.7000	130.9	(1)	1.4500	107.6	(1)
1907.....	1.9708	151.7	+15.9	1.6000	118.8	+10.3
1908.....	2.1000	161.7	+ 6.6	1.6500	122.5	+ 3.1
1909.....	1.9167	147.6	- 8.7	1.6500	122.5	(1)
1910.....	1.9000	146.3	- .9	1.6125	119.7	- 2.3
1911.....	1.7500	134.7	- 7.9	1.6500	122.5	+ 2.3
1912.....	1.7500	134.7	(1)	1.6000	118.8	- 3.0
1913.....	1.7917	138.0	+ 2.4	1.6833	125.0	+ 5.2
1914.....	1.8000	138.7	+ .5	1.7625	130.9	+ 4.7
1915.....	1.8000	138.7	(1)	1.8125	134.5	+ 2.8
1916.....	1.8375	141.5	+ 2.1	1.9333	143.5	+ 6.7
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	1.8000	138.6	(1)	1.9000	141.0	+ 2.7
February.....	1.8000	138.6	(1)	1.9000	141.0	(1)
March.....	1.8000	138.6	(1)	1.9000	141.0	(1)
April.....	1.8500	142.4	+ 2.8	1.9000	141.0	(1)
May.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	1.9000	141.0	(1)
June.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	1.9000	141.0	(1)
July.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	1.9000	141.0	(1)
August.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	1.9000	141.0	(1)
September.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	2.0000	148.5	+ 5.3
October.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	2.0000	148.5	(1)
November.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	2.0000	148.5	(1)
December.....	1.8500	142.4	(1)	2.0000	148.5	(1)

1 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.					
	Beer: western, light or dark.			Cottonseed meal: prime.		
	Average price per barrel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per short ton.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> .....				<b>\$21.9625</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
1890.....				23.3750	100.4	
1891.....				25.2083	114.8	+ 7.8
1892.....				23.6958	107.9	- 6.0
1893.....				25.7042	117.0	+ 8.5
1894.....				22.5583	102.7	-12.2
1895.....				18.9125	86.1	-16.2
1896.....				19.9375	90.8	+ 5.4
1897.....				20.4375	93.1	+ 2.5
1898.....				19.0000	86.5	- 7.0
1899.....				20.7958	94.7	+ 9.5
1900.....				25.5458	116.3	+22.8
1901.....				25.0208	113.9	- 2.1
1902.....				27.1333	123.5	+ 8.4
1903.....				26.7083	121.6	- 1.6
1904.....				26.2000	119.3	- 1.9
1905.....				26.3583	120.0	+ .6
1906.....				30.3917	138.4	+15.3
1907.....				28.7042	130.7	- 5.6
1908.....				29.3917	133.8	+ 2.4
1909.....				32.0373	145.9	+ 9.0
1910.....				33.5625	152.8	+ 4.8
1911.....				29.7667	135.5	-11.3
1912.....				31.4625	143.3	+ 5.7
1913.....	\$5.5025	(1)		31.6083	143.9	+ .5
1914.....	5.5225	(1)	+0.4	30.4375	138.6	- 3.7
1915.....	5.7083	(1)	+3.4	31.9792	145.6	+ 5.1
1916.....	5.8517	(1)	+2.5	36.6817	167.0	+14.7
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	5.7300	(1)	- .3	38.3800	174.8	+ 1.0
February.....	5.7700	(1)	+ .7	36.0000	163.9	- 6.2
March.....	5.8200	(1)	+ .9	33.0000	150.3	- 8.3
April.....	5.8500	(1)	+ .5	34.5000	157.1	+ 4.5
May.....	5.8600	(1)	+ .2	34.1000	155.3	- 1.2
June.....	5.8800	(1)	+ .3	33.1000	150.7	- 2.9
July.....	5.9000	(1)	+ .3	33.1000	150.7	(2)
August.....	5.9000	(1)	(2)	33.1000	150.7	(2)
September.....	5.9000	(1)	(2)	36.6000	166.6	+10.6
October.....	5.8900	(1)	- .2	38.1000	173.5	+ 4.1
November.....	5.8700	(1)	- .3	44.6000	203.1	+17.1
December.....	5.8500	(1)	- .3	45.6000	207.6	+ 2.2

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.



TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.								
	Cottonseed oil: summer yellow, prime.				Jute.				
	Average price per gallon.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Raw, average price per pound.	Raw, M-double triangle, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$. 3044</b>		<b>100.0</b>		<b>\$. 0359</b>		<b>100.0</b>		
1890.....	.3416		113.2		.0388		108.1		
1891.....	.3567		117.2	+ 3.5	.0371		103.3	- 4.4	
1892.....	.3088		101.4	-13.4	.0475		132.3	+28.0	
1893.....	.4550		149.5	+47.3	.0346		96.4	-27.2	
1894.....	.3238		106.4	-28.8	.0345		96.1	- .3	
1895.....	.2721		89.4	-16.0	.0279		77.7	-19.1	
1896.....	.2513		82.6	- 7.6	.0319		88.9	+14.3	
1897.....	.2365		77.7	- 5.9	.0373		103.9	+16.9	
1898.....	.2288		75.2	- 3.3	.0332		92.5	-11.0	
1899.....	.2663		87.5	+16.4	.0365		101.7	+ 9.9	
1900.....	.3556		116.8	+33.5	.0435		121.2	+19.2	
1901.....	.3571		117.3	+ .4	.0400		111.4	- 8.0	
1902.....	.4067		133.6	+13.9	.0438		122.0	+ 9.5	
1903.....	.3977		130.7	- 2.2	.0464		129.2	+ 5.9	
1904.....	.3135		103.0	-21.2	.0444	\$. 0326	123.7	- 4.3	
1905.....	.2696		88.6	-14.0		.0398	151.0	+22.1	
1906.....	.3613		118.7	+34.0		.0539	204.5	+35.4	
1907.....	.4869		160.0	+34.3		.0486	184.4	- 9.8	
1908.....	.4090		134.4	-16.0		.0370	140.4	-23.9	
1909.....	.4399		144.5	+ 7.6		.0318	120.7	-14.1	
1910.....	.5969		196.1	+35.7		.0344	130.6	+ 8.2	
1911.....	.4657	\$. 0626	153.0	-22.0		.0467	177.3	+35.8	
1912.....		.0619	151.3	- 1.1		.0513	194.8	+ 9.9	
1913.....		.0725	177.2	+17.1		.0669	254.0	+30.4	
1914.....		.0663	162.0	- 8.6		.0623	236.5	- 6.9	
1915.....		.0681	166.4	+ 2.7		.0534	202.7	-14.3	
1916.....		.1064	260.1	+56.2		.0763	289.5	+42.9	
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....		.0890	219.7	+ 6.4		.0650	246.6	+16.1	
February.....		.0954	233.2	+ 6.1		.0720	273.2	+10.3	
March.....		.1066	260.5	+11.7		.0810	307.4	+12.5	
April.....		.1063	259.8	- .3		.0810	307.4	(1)	
May.....		.1085	265.2	+ 2.1		.0750	284.6	- 7.4	
June.....		.1086	265.4	+ .1		.0750	284.6	(1)	
July.....		.0998	243.9	- 8.1		.0750	284.6	(1)	
August.....		.0928	226.8	- 7.0		.0750	284.6	(1)	
September.....		.1017	248.6	+ 9.6		.0770	292.2	+ 2.7	
October.....		.1185	289.6	+16.5		.0900	303.6	+ 3.9	
November.....		.1270	310.4	+ 7.2		.0900	303.6	(1)	
December.....		.1245	304.3	- 2.0		.0900	303.6	(1)	

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.					
	Lubricating oil: paraffin.		Malt: standard keg beer.			
	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per bushel.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899</b> .....				<b>\$0. 7029</b>	<b>100. 0</b>	
1890.....				. 7500	106. 7	
1891.....				. 9271	131. 9	+23. 6
1892.....				. 8015	114. 0	-13. 5
1893.....				. 7750	110. 3	- 3. 3
1894.....				. 7446	105. 9	- 3. 9
1895.....				. 6854	97. 5	- 8. 0
1896.....				. 5629	80. 1	-17. 9
1897.....				. 5438	77. 4	- 3. 4
1898.....				. 6163	87. 7	+13. 3
1899.....				. 6221	88. 5	+ . 9
1900.....				. 6538	93. 0	+ 5. 1
1901.....				. 7450	106. 0	+13. 9
1902.....				. 7925	112. 7	+ 6. 4
1903.....				. 7246	103. 1	- 8. 6
1904.....				. 6758	96. 1	- 6. 7
1905.....				. 6150	87. 5	- 9. 0
1906.....				. 6471	92. 1	+ 5. 2
1907.....				1. 0346	147. 2	+59. 9
1908.....				. 9325	132. 7	- 9. 9
1909.....				. 7867	111. 9	-15. 6
1910.....				. 8867	126. 1	+12. 7
1911.....				1. 2829	182. 5	+44. 7
1912.....				1. 1117	158. 2	-13. 3
1913.....	\$0. 1425	( <sup>1</sup> )		. 7758	110. 4	-30. 2
1914.....	. 1508	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 5. 8	. 7658	109. 0	- 1. 3
1915.....	. 1467	( <sup>1</sup> )	- 2. 7	. 8633	122. 8	+12. 7
1916.....	. 2006	( <sup>1</sup> )	+36. 7	1. 0863	154. 5	+25. 8
<b>1916.</b>						
January.....	. 1675	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	. 9400	133. 7	+ 9. 3
February.....	. 1675	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	. 8800	125. 2	- 6. 4
March.....	. 1750	( <sup>1</sup> )	+ 4. 5	. 8850	125. 9	+ . 6
April.....	. 1750	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	. 9150	130. 2	+ 3. 4
May.....	. 2175	( <sup>1</sup> )	+24. 3	. 9350	133. 0	+ 2. 2
June.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	- 1. 1	. 9300	132. 3	- . 5
July.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	. 9050	128. 8	- 2. 7
August.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	1. 2500	177. 8	+38. 1
September.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	1. 2500	177. 8	( <sup>2</sup> )
October.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	1. 3300	189. 2	+ 6. 4
November.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	1. 4300	203. 4	+ 7. 5
December.....	. 2150	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	1. 3850	197. 0	- 3. 1

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.									
	Paper.						Proof spirits.			
	News.			Wrapping: manila.						
	Series 1, average price per pound.	Series 2, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0299</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.0553</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$1.1499</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.0332	.....	127.8	.....	.0575	104.0	.....	1.0533	91.6	.....
1891.....	.0340	.....	113.7	-11.0	.0575	104.0	(1)	1.1052	96.1	+4.9
1892.....	.0340	.....	113.7	(1)	.0558	100.9	-3.0	1.0757	93.5	-2.7
1893.....	.0318	.....	106.4	-6.5	.0579	104.7	+3.3	1.0713	93.2	-.4
1894.....	.0323	.....	108.0	+1.6	.0584	105.6	+ .9	1.1326	98.5	+5.7
1895.....	.0308	.....	103.0	-4.6	.0586	106.0	+ .3	1.2109	105.3	+6.9
1896.....	.0275	.....	92.0	-10.7	.0588	105.3	+ .3	1.2031	104.6	-.6
1897.....	.0271	.....	90.6	-1.5	.0588	106.3	(1)	1.1830	102.9	-1.7
1898.....	.0219	.....	73.2	-19.2	.0459	83.0	-21.9	1.2220	106.3	+3.3
1899.....	.0209	.....	69.9	-4.6	.0438	79.2	-4.6	1.2421	108.0	+1.6
1900.....	.0281	.....	94.0	+34.4	.0480	86.8	+ 9.6	1.2460	108.4	+ .3
1901.....	.0226	.....	75.6	-19.6	.0502	90.8	+ 4.6	1.2879	111.8	+3.2
1902.....	.0242	.....	80.9	+ 7.1	.0497	89.9	- 1.0	1.3138	114.3	+2.2
1903.....	.0253	.....	84.6	+ 4.5	.0526	95.1	+ 5.8	1.2809	111.4	-2.5
1904.....	.0267	.....	89.3	+ 5.5	.0530	95.8	+ .8	1.2692	110.4	-.9
1905.....	.0242	.....	80.9	- 9.4	.0525	94.9	- .9	1.2616	109.7	-.6
1906.....	.0219	.....	73.2	- 9.5	.0500	90.4	- 4.8	1.2879	112.0	+2.1
1907.....	.0249	.....	83.3	+13.7	.0506	91.5	+ 1.2	1.3133	114.2	+2.0
1908.....	.0248	.....	82.9	-.4	.0500	90.4	+ 1.2	1.3565	118.0	+3.3
1909.....	.0205	.....	68.6	-17.3	.0475	85.9	- 5.0	1.3575	118.1	+ .1
1910.....	.0206	.....	68.9	+ .5	.0475	85.9	(1)	1.3248	115.2	-2.4
1911.....	.0212	.....	70.9	+ 2.9	.0483	87.3	+ 1.7	1.3379	116.3	+1.0
1912.....	.0216	.....	72.2	+ 1.9	.0488	88.2	+ 1.0	1.3600	118.3	+1.7
1913.....	.0225	.....	75.3	+ 4.2	.0488	88.2	(1)	1.3162	114.5	-3.2
1914.....	.0225	.....	75.3	(1)	.0489	88.4	+ .2	1.3667	118.9	+3.8
1915.....	.0223	\$.0205	74.6	-.9	.0489	88.4	(1)	1.3900	120.9	+1.7
1916.....	.0270	.0270	98.3	+31.7	.0793	143.4	+62.2	1.4067	122.3	+1.2
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.0208	.....	75.7	(1)	.0488	88.2	(1)	1.3900	120.9	(1)
February.....	.0218	.....	79.3	+ 4.8	.0488	88.2	(1)	1.3900	120.9	(1)
March.....	.0218	.....	79.3	(1)	.0513	92.8	+ 5.1	1.4000	121.7	+ .7
April.....	.0235	.....	85.5	+ 7.8	.0513	92.8	(1)	1.4000	121.7	(1)
May.....	.0235	.....	85.5	(1)	.0513	92.8	(1)	1.4000	121.7	(1)
June.....	(2)	.....	.....	.....	.1000	180.8	+94.9	1.4000	121.7	(1)
July.....	.0300	109.2	.....	.....	.1000	180.8	(1)	1.4000	121.7	(1)
August.....	.0313	113.9	+ 4.3	.....	.1000	180.8	(1)	1.4000	121.7	(1)
September.....	.0300	109.2	- 4.2	.....	.1000	180.8	(1)	1.4000	121.7	(1)
October.....	.0300	109.2	(1)	.....	.1000	180.8	(1)	1.4200	123.5	+1.4
November.....	.0300	109.2	(1)	.....	.1000	180.8	(1)	1.4400	125.2	+1.4
December.....	.0343	124.8	+14.3	.....	.1000	180.8	(1)	1.4400	125.2	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.

<sup>2</sup> No quotation for month.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.									
	Rope: manila, base size and larger.			Rubber: Para island.			Soap: laundry.			
	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per box of 100 bars (75 pounds).	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	<b>\$.0934</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$.8007</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	
1890.....	.1494	160.0	.....	.8379	104.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	
1891.....	.1038	111.1	-30.5	.7908	98.8	-5.6	.....	.....	.....	
1892.....	.1148	122.9	+10.6	.6763	84.5	-14.5	.....	.....	.....	
1893.....	.0919	98.4	-19.9	.7167	89.5	+6.0	.....	.....	.....	
1894.....	.0770	82.4	-16.2	.6744	84.2	-5.9	.....	.....	.....	
1895.....	.0735	78.7	-4.5	.7425	92.7	+10.1	.....	.....	.....	
1896.....	.0664	71.1	-9.7	.8000	99.9	+7.7	.....	.....	.....	
1897.....	.0631	67.6	-5.0	.8454	105.6	+5.7	.....	.....	.....	
1898.....	.0842	90.1	+33.4	.9271	115.8	+9.7	.....	.....	.....	
1899.....	.1094	117.1	+29.9	.9954	124.3	+7.4	.....	.....	.....	
1900.....	.1320	141.3	+20.7	.9817	122.6	-1.4	.....	.....	.....	
1901.....	.1092	116.9	-17.3	.8496	106.1	-13.5	.....	.....	.....	
1902.....	.1348	144.3	+23.4	.7273	90.8	-14.4	.....	.....	.....	
1903.....	.1146	122.7	-15.0	.9054	113.1	+24.5	.....	.....	.....	
1904.....	.1171	125.4	+2.2	1.0875	135.8	+20.1	.....	.....	.....	
1905.....	.1195	127.9	+2.0	1.2425	155.2	+14.3	.....	.....	.....	
1906.....	.1252	134.0	+4.8	1.2131	151.5	-2.4	.....	.....	.....	
1907.....	.1290	138.1	+3.0	1.0633	132.8	-12.3	.....	.....	.....	
1908.....	.1015	108.7	-21.3	.8708	108.8	-18.1	.....	.....	.....	
1909.....	.0841	90.0	-17.1	1.4810	185.0	+70.1	.....	.....	.....	
1910.....	.0879	94.1	+4.5	1.9075	238.2	+28.8	.....	.....	.....	
1911.....	.0871	93.3	-.9	1.1104	138.7	-41.8	.....	.....	.....	
1912.....	.1008	107.9	+15.7	1.0517	131.3	-5.3	.....	.....	.....	
1913.....	.1467	157.1	+45.5	.8071	100.8	-23.3	\$3.6000	(1)	.....	
1914.....	.1233	132.0	-16.0	.6158	76.9	-23.7	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
1915.....	.1325	141.9	+7.5	.5573	69.6	-9.5	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
1916.....	.1825	195.4	+37.7	.6694	83.6	+20.1	3.6375	(1)	+1.0	
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	.1400	149.9	(2)	.8850	110.5	+35.1	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
February.....	.1700	182.0	+21.4	.6850	85.6	-22.6	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
March.....	.1800	192.7	+5.9	.7050	88.0	+2.9	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
April.....	.1800	192.7	(2)	.6950	86.8	-1.4	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
May.....	.1900	203.4	+5.6	.6600	82.4	-5.0	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
June.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.5900	73.7	-10.6	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
July.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.5900	73.7	(2)	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
August.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.5850	73.1	-.8	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
September.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.5825	72.7	-.4	3.6000	(1)	(2)	
October.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.6650	83.1	+14.2	3.7500	(1)	+4.2	
November.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.6700	83.7	+.8	3.7500	(1)	(2)	
December.....	.1900	203.4	(2)	.7200	89.9	+7.5	3.7500	(1)	(2)	

1 No relative price computed. For explanation, see page 60.

2 Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.									
	Soap: laundry.			Starch: laundry.			Tobacco: plug.			
	Average price per box of 100 eleven-ounce cakes.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	1½ ounces to the plug, average price per pound.	12 pieces to the pound, average price per pound.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>	.....	.....	.....	<b>\$0.0348</b>	<b>100.0</b>	.....	<b>\$0.3962</b>	.....	<b>100.0</b>	.....
1890.....	.....	.....	.....	.0371	106.6	.....	.4050	.....	102.2	.....
1891.....	.....	.....	.....	.0426	122.4	+14.8	.4008	.....	101.2	- 1.0
1892.....	.....	.....	.....	.0373	107.2	-12.4	.3725	.....	94.0	- 7.1
1893.....	.....	.....	.....	.0366	105.2	- 1.9	.3967	.....	100.1	+ 6.5
1894.....	.....	.....	.....	.0366	105.2	( <sup>2</sup> )	.4000	.....	101.0	+ .8
1895.....	.....	.....	.....	.0363	104.3	- .8	.4000	.....	101.0	( <sup>2</sup> )
1896.....	.....	.....	.....	.0310	89.1	-14.6	.3808	.....	96.1	- 4.8
1897.....	.....	.....	.....	.0300	86.2	- 3.2	.3758	.....	94.9	- 1.3
1898.....	.....	.....	.....	.0300	86.2	( <sup>2</sup> )	.4133	.....	104.3	+10.0
1899.....	.....	.....	.....	.0300	86.2	( <sup>2</sup> )	.4175	.....	105.4	+ 1.0
1900.....	.....	.....	.....	.0340	97.7	+13.3	.4433	.....	111.9	+ 6.2
1901.....	.....	.....	.....	.0363	104.3	+ 6.8	.4658	.....	117.6	+ 5.1
1902.....	.....	.....	.....	.0454	130.5	+25.1	.4542	.....	114.6	- 2.5
1903.....	.....	.....	.....	.0431	123.9	- 5.1	.4500	.....	113.6	- .9
1904.....	.....	.....	.....	.0369	106.0	-14.4	.4700	.....	118.6	+ 4.4
1905.....	.....	.....	.....	.0329	94.5	-10.8	.4900	.....	123.7	+ 4.3
1906.....	.....	.....	.....	.0367	105.5	+11.6	.4833	.....	122.0	- 1.4
1907.....	.....	.....	.....	.0404	116.1	+10.1	.4700	.....	118.6	- 2.8
1908.....	.....	.....	.....	.0433	124.4	+ 7.2	.4700	.....	118.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
1909.....	.....	.....	.....	.0429	123.3	- .9	.4700	.....	118.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
1910.....	.....	.....	.....	.0390	112.1	- 9.1	.4700	.....	118.6	( <sup>2</sup> )
1911.....	.....	.....	.....	.0325	93.4	-16.7	.4400	.....	111.1	- 6.4
1912.....	.....	.....	.....	.0375	107.8	+15.4	.4400	\$0.4704	111.1	( <sup>2</sup> )
1913.....	\$2.7750	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	.0365	104.9	- 2.7	.....	.4704	111.1	( <sup>2</sup> )
1914.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	- 1.1	.0390	112.0	+ 6.8	.....	.4704	111.1	( <sup>2</sup> )
1915.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0400	114.9	+ 2.6	.....	.4900	115.7	+ 4.2
1916.....	2.8350	( <sup>1</sup> )	+3.3	.0446	128.2	+11.5	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
<b>1916.</b>										
January.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0400	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
February.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0400	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
March.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0400	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
April.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0400	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
May.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0400	114.9	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
June.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0450	129.3	+12.5	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
July.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0450	129.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
August.....	2.7450	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0450	129.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
September.....	2.8300	( <sup>1</sup> )	+4.9	.0500	143.7	+11.1	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
October.....	2.8300	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0500	143.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
November.....	3.1500	( <sup>1</sup> )	+9.4	.0500	143.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )
December.....	3.1500	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.0500	143.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	.4900	115.7	( <sup>2</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see page 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.							
	Tobacco: smoking, granulated, 1-ounce bags.					Whisky: Bourbon, straight, 4 years in bond, in barrels.		
	Seal of North Carolina, average price per pound.	Seal of North Carolina, average price per gross of bags.	Blackwell's Bull Durham, average price per gross of bags.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	F. o. b. at distillery in Kentucky, average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Per cent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899..</b>	<b>\$. 5090</b>			<b>100.0</b>				
1890.....	.5000			98.2				
1891.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1892.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1893.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1894.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1895.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1896.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1897.....	.5000			98.2	(1)			
1898.....	.5300			104.1	+6.0			
1899.....	.5600			110.0	+5.7			
1900.....	.5600			110.0	(1)			
1901.....	.5600			110.0	(1)			
1902.....	.5592			109.9	-.1			
1903.....	.5700			112.0	+1.9			
1904.....	.5825			114.4	+2.2			
1905.....	.6000			117.9	+3.0			
1906.....	.6000			117.9	(1)			
1907.....	.6000			117.9	(1)			
1908.....	.6000			117.9	(1)			
1909.....	.6000			117.9	(1)			
1910.....	.5850			114.9	-2.5			
1911.....	.6278			123.3	+7.3			
1912.....	.6278			123.3	(1)			
1913.....		\$5. 1573	\$5. 6400	123.0	-.2	\$2. 7500	(2)	
1914.....		5. 1450	5. 6800	123.9	+.7	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
1915.....			5. 7600	125.6	+1.4	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
1916.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
<b>1916.</b>								
January.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
February.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
March.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
April.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
May.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
June.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
July.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
August.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
September.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
October.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
November.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)
December.....			5. 7600	125.6	(1)	2. 7500	(2)	(1)

<sup>1</sup> Price unchanged.<sup>2</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Continued.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.								
	Whisky.								
	Bourbon: straight, bottled in bond.			Rye: straight, 4 years in bond, in barrels.			Rye: straight, 4 years in bond, in barrels.		
	F. o. b. at distillery in Kentucky, average price per case of 12 quarts.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	F. o. b. at distillery in Illinois, average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	F. o. b. at distillery in Pennsylvania, average price per gallon.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>									
1890									
1891									
1892									
1893									
1894									
1895									
1896									
1897									
1898									
1899									
1900									
1901									
1902									
1903									
1904									
1905									
1906									
1907									
1908									
1909									
1910									
1911									
1912									
1913	\$12.0000	(1)		\$1.5354	(1)		\$2.1333	(1)	
1914	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.5604	(1)	+ 1.6	2.0792	(1)	-2.5
1915	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.5750	(1)	+ .9	2.0792	(1)	(2)
1916	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.7729	(1)	+12.6	2.1500	(1)	+3.4
<b>1916.</b>									
January	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.5750	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	+4.9
February	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.6000	(1)	+ 1.6	2.1500	(1)	(2)
March	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.6000	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
April	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.6000	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
May	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.6000	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
June	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.6000	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
July	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.9500	(1)	+21.9	2.1500	(1)	(2)
August	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.9500	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
September	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.9500	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
October	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.9500	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
November	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.9500	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)
December	12.0000	(1)	(2)	1.9500	(1)	(2)	2.1500	(1)	(2)

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.

<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.

TABLE B.—AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR EACH YEAR, 1890 TO 1916, AND FOR EACH MONTH OF 1916—Concluded.

Year or month.	Miscellaneous.								
	Whisky.						Wood pulp: sulphite, domestic, unbleached.		
	Rye: straight, bottled in bond.			Rye: straight, bottled in bond.					
	F. o. b. at distillery in Illinois, average price per case of 12 quarts.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	F. o. b. at distillery in Pennsylvania, average price per case of 12 quarts.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.	Average price per 100 pounds.	Relative price.	Percent of increase (+) or decrease (-) compared with preceding year or month.
<b>Average, 1890-1899.</b>									
1890.....									
1891.....									
1892.....									
1893.....									
1894.....									
1895.....									
1896.....									
1897.....									
1898.....									
1899.....									
1900.....									
1901.....									
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1903.....									
1904.....									
1905.....									
1906.....									
1907.....									
1908.....									
1909.....									
1910.....									
1911.....									
1912.....									
1913.....	\$8.5000	(1)		\$8.3375	(1)		\$2.2250	(1)	
1914.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	7.9917	(1)	-4.1	2.1563	(1)	-3.1
1915.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.0667	(1)	+ .9	2.1188	(1)	-1.7
1916.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.3083	(1)	+3.0	3.8146	(1)	+80.0
<b>1916.</b>									
January.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	-1.2	2.5750	(1)	+9.6
February.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	2.5750	(1)	(2)
March.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	2.8500	(1)	+10.7
April.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	3.1500	(1)	+10.5
May.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	3.6250	(1)	+15.1
June.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	3.6250	(1)	(2)
July.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	3.6250	(1)	(2)
August.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.2500	(1)	(2)	3.8750	(1)	+6.9
September.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.3500	(1)	+1.2	4.2500	(1)	+9.7
October.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.3500	(1)	(2)	5.1250	(1)	+20.6
November.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.5000	(1)	+1.8	5.1250	(1)	(2)
December.....	8.5000	(1)	(2)	8.5000	(1)	(2)	5.3750	(1)	+4.9

<sup>1</sup> No relative price computed. For explanation, see p. 60.<sup>2</sup> Price unchanged.



## APPENDIX A.

### TABLE OF WEIGHTS USED IN COMPUTING INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLE-SALE PRICES FOR 1915 AND 1916,<sup>1</sup> BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES.

#### Group I.—Farm products.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
Cotton, middling:		
New Orleans.....	3,606,507	Pound.
New York.....	1,803,253	Pound.
Flaxseed, No. 1.....	20,106	Bushel.
Grain:		
Barley, fair to good, malting.....	75,301	Bushel.
Corn, cash—		
Contract grades.....	184,311	Bushel.
No. 3, mixed.....	276,467	Bushel.
Oats, cash.....	267,860	Bushel.
Rye, No. 2, cash.....	29,521	Bushel.
Wheat, cash—		
Chicago, No. 1, northern spring.....	26,984	Bushel.
Chicago, No. 2, red winter.....	124,072	Bushel.
Kansas City, No. 2, hard winter.....	248,144	Bushel.
Minneapolis, No. 1, northern spring.....	242,859	Bushel.
Portland, Oreg., bluestem.....	41,357	Bushel.
Hay, timothy, No. 1.....	10,686	Short ton.
Hides:		
Calfskins, No. 1.....	131,362	Pound.
Green, salted, packers'—		
Heavy native steers.....	614,829	Pound.
Heavy Texas steers.....	307,415	Pound.
Hops:		
New York State, prime to choice.....	15,502	Pound.
Pacific coast.....	32,575	Pound.
Live stock (for food):		
Cattle, steers—		
Choice to prime.....	41,449	100 pounds.
Good to choice.....	82,898	100 pounds.
Hogs—		
Heavy.....	19,110	100 pounds.
Light.....	57,329	100 pounds.
Sheep—		
Ewes, fed, poor to best.....	2,300	100 pounds.
Lambs, good to prime.....	8,049	100 pounds.
Wethers, fed, common to best.....	1,150	100 pounds.
Peanuts, No. 1 grade.....	435,777	Pound.
Poultry, live fowls:		
Chicago.....	230,400	Pound.
New York, choice.....	230,400	Pound.
Tobacco, Burley, dark red, good leaf.....	11,004	100 pounds.

#### Group II.—Food, etc.

Beans, medium, choice.....	8,468	100 pounds.
Bread:		
Crackers—		
Oyster.....	No weight.	
Soda.....	No weight.	
Loaf—		
Chicago.....	No weight.	
Cincinnati.....	No weight.	
New Orleans.....	No weight.	
New York.....	No weight.	
San Francisco.....	No weight.	
Butter:		
Boston—		
Creamery, extra.....	23,179	Pound.
Creamery, firsts.....	73,917	Pound.
Creamery, seconds.....	11,665	Pound.
Chicago—		
Creamery, extra.....	101,989	Pound.
Creamery, extra firsts.....	325,234	Pound.
Creamery, firsts.....	51,328	Pound.

<sup>1</sup> For years prior to 1915 these weights have been revised to conform to changes in the number and kinds of articles included.

TABLE OF WEIGHTS USED IN COMPUTING INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES FOR 1915 AND 1916, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES—Contd.

## Group II.—Food, etc.—Continued.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
Butter—Concluded.		
Cincinnati—		
Whole milk, extra .....	5,349	Pound.
Creamery, centralized firsts .....	17,058	Pound.
Creamery, centralized seconds .....	2,692	Pound.
Elgin, Ill., creamery, Elgin .....	48,142	Pound.
New Orleans—		
Creamery, fancy .....	5,349	Pound.
Creamery, choice .....	17,058	Pound.
New York—		
Creamery, extra .....	48,142	Pound.
Creamery, firsts .....	153,520	Pound.
Creamery, seconds .....	24,228	Pound.
Philadelphia—		
Creamery, extra .....	23,179	Pound.
Creamery, extra firsts .....	73,917	Pound.
Creamery, firsts .....	11,665	Pound.
San Francisco—		
Creamery, extra .....	5,349	Pound.
Creamery, firsts .....	17,058	Pound.
Canned goods:		
Corn, New York standard .....	14,903	Dozen.
Peas, western, No. 5 sieve .....	11,803	Dozen.
Tomatoes, standard New Jersey, No. 3 .....	25,820	Dozen.
Cheese:		
Chicago, whole milk, American twins .....	141,457	Pound.
New York, whole milk, colored, average, fancy .....	141,457	Pound.
San Francisco, California flats, fancy .....	70,728	Pound.
Coffee, Rio, No. 7 .....	1,038,439	Pound.
Eggs:		
Boston, firsts, western .....	92,669	Dozen.
Chicago, firsts, fresh .....	231,673	Dozen.
Cincinnati, firsts, fresh .....	92,669	Dozen.
New Orleans, candled, western .....	92,669	Dozen.
New York, firsts, fresh gathered .....	231,673	Dozen.
Philadelphia, extra firsts, western .....	92,669	Dozen.
San Francisco, fresh, selected, pullets' .....	92,669	Dozen.
Fish:		
Cod, large, shore (pickled, cured) .....	685	100 pounds.
Herring, pickled, domestic, split, large No. 1 .....	429	Barrel.
Mackerel, salt, large No. 3s .....	191	Barrel.
Salmon, canned, Alaska red .....	18,431	Dozen cans.
Flour:		
Buckwheat .....	2,010	100 pounds.
Rye, pure, medium straight .....	1,594	Barrel.
Wheat—		
Kansas City, winter patents .....	16,670	Barrel.
Kansas City, winter straights .....	5,557	Barrel.
Minneapolis, standard patents .....	23,569	Barrel.
Minneapolis, second patents .....	7,856	Barrel.
St. Louis, first patent .....	20,120	Barrel.
St. Louis, second patent .....	6,707	Barrel.
Toledo, patent .....	20,120	Barrel.
Toledo, straight .....	6,707	Barrel.
Fruit:		
Apples—		
Evaporated, choice .....	No weight.	
Fresh, Baldwin .....	21,254	Barrel.
Bananas, Jamaica, 8s .....	35,772	Bunch.
Currants, uncleaned, in barrels .....	32,164	Pound.
Lemons, California .....	4,119	Box.
Oranges, California .....	19,784	Box.
Prunes, California, in 25-pound boxes .....	138,796	Pound.
Raisins, California, coast seeded .....	286,075	Pound.
Glucose, 42° mixing .....	7,701	100 pounds.
Lard, prime contract .....	1,243,572	Pound.
Meal, corn:		
Fine white .....	26,677	100 pounds.
Fine yellow .....	26,677	100 pounds.
Meat:		
Bacon—		
Short clear sides .....	370,677	Pound.
Short rib sides .....	370,677	Pound.
Beef, fresh—		
Chicago, carcass, good native steers .....	2,104,694	Pound.
New York, native sides .....	2,104,694	Pound.

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## Group II.—Food, etc.—Concluded.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
<b>Meat—Concluded.</b>		
Beef, salt, extra, mess.....	632	Barrel.
Hams, smoked.....	789,862	Pound.
Lamb, dressed, round.....	330,502	Pound.
Mutton, dressed.....	165,251	Pound.
Pork, salt, mess.....	4,761	Barrel.
Poultry, dressed fowls—		
Chicago, iced.....	211,277	Pound.
New York, western, dry picked.....	211,277	Pound.
Veal, city dressed, good to prime.....	253,006	Pound.
<b>Milk, fresh:</b>		
Chicago (vicinity).....	3,099,628	Quart.
New York (vicinity).....	3,099,628	Quart.
San Francisco (vicinity).....	1,549,814	Quart.
Molasses, New Orleans, open kettle.....	55,690	Gallon.
Oleomargarine, standard quality, uncolored.....	138,576	Pound.
Oleo oil, extra.....	144,737	Pound.
<b>Olive oil:</b>		
French, bulk.....	1,007	Gallon.
Italian.....	3,022	Gallon.
Rice, Honduras, head.....	684,674	Pound.
Salt, American, medium.....	22,136	Barrel.
Soda, bicarbonate of, American.....	No weight.	
Spices: pepper, black, Singapore.....	36,241	Pound.
Starch, corn, for culinary purposes.....	No weight.	
<b>Sugar:</b>		
96° centrifugal.....	6,316,034	Pound.
Granulated, in barrels.....	7,366,818	Pound.
Tallow, packers' prime.....	203,209	Pound.
Tea, Formosa, fine.....	113,548	Pound.
<b>Vegetables, fresh:</b>		
Cabbage.....	372	Short ton.
Onions.....	7,367	Sack.
Potatoes, white, range from good to choice.....	397,491	Bushel.
Vinegar, cider, 40-grain.....	98,404	Gallon.

## Group III.—Cloths and clothing.

Bags, cotton, 2-bushel, Amoskeag.....	No weight.	
<b>Blankets:</b>		
All-wool, 5 pounds to the pair.....	3,002	Pound.
Cotton, 2 pounds to the pair.....	1,581	Pair.
<b>Boots and shoes:</b>		
<b>Men's—</b>		
Split seamless Creedmores.....	18,778	Pair.
Vici calf, blucher.....	18,778	Pair.
Gun metal, Goodyear welt, blucher.....	18,778	Pair.
Gun metal, Goodyear welt, button.....	18,778	Pair.
Vici kid, Goodyear welt.....	18,778	Pair.
<b>Women's—</b>		
Gun metal, Goodyear welt, button.....	28,865	Pair.
Patent leather pump, McKay sewed.....	28,865	Pair.
Gun metal, McKay sewed, button.....	28,865	Pair.
Broadcloth, first quality black, 54-inch, XXX wool.....	19,969	Yard.
Calico, American standard prints, 7 yards to the pound.....	No weight.	
<b>Carpets:</b>		
Axminster, Lowell, 3-4.....	16,702	Yard.
Brussels, 5-frame, Bigelow.....	5,291	Yard.
Wilton, 5-frame, Bigelow.....	6,130	Yard.
<b>Cotton flannels:</b>		
Colored, 2½ yards to the pound.....	207,615	Yard.
Unbleached, 3¼ yards to the pound.....	174,660	Yard.
Cotton thread, 6-cord, 200-yard spools, J. & P. Coats.....	526,801	Spool.
<b>Cotton yarns, carded, white, mule-spun, northern, cones:</b>		
10/1.....	242,653	Pound.
22/1.....	242,653	Pound.
Denims, Massachusetts, 2.20 yards to the pound.....	109,226	Yard.
<b>Drillings:</b>		
Pepperell, brown, 2.85 yards to the pound, 29-inch.....	148,264	Yard.
Massachusetts D standard, 30-inch.....	143,322	Yard.
Flannels, white, 4-4, Ballard Vale, No. 3.....	3,856	Yard.

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## Group III.—Cloths and clothing—Concluded.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
<b>Ginghams:</b>		
Amoskeag, 6.37 yards to the pound.....	358,287	Yard.
Lancaster, 6.50 yards to the pound.....	358,287	Yard.
Horse blankets, all wool, 6 pounds each.....	No weight.	
<b>Hosiery:</b>		
Men's cotton half hose, seamless, fast black.....	24,806	Dozen pairs.
Women's cotton hose—		
Full fashioned, combed peeler yarn, double sole.....	13,193	Dozen pairs.
Seamless, carded yarn, single thread.....	24,374	Dozen pairs.
<b>Leather:</b>		
Calf, chrome, dull or bright finish, B grade.....	190,121	Square foot.
Harness, California oak, No. 1.....	98,656	Pound.
Sole—		
Hemlock, middles, No. 1.....	143,347	Pound.
Oak, scoured backs, heavy.....	87,535	Pound.
Linen shoe thread, 10s, Barbour.....	3,815	Pound.
<b>Overcoatings:</b>		
Covert cloth, all wool, double and twist, 14-ounce.....	1,984	Yard.
Kersey, wool-dyed, 56-inch.....	1,786	Yard.
Soft-faced, black, plain twill, 24-ounce.....	2,248	Yard.
Percale, Scout, 36-inch, 5.35 yards to the pound.....	No weight.	
Print cloths, 27-inch, 7.60 yards to the pound.....	2,966,409	Yard.
<b>Sheetings:</b>		
Bleached—		
Pepperell, 10-4.....	44,145	Yard.
Wamsutta, 10-4.....	38,756	Yard.
Brown—		
Indian Head, 4-4, 2.85 yards to the pound.....	98,505	Yard.
Pepperell, R, 4-4, 3.75 yards to the pound.....	107,668	Yard.
Ware Shoals L. L., 4-4, 4 yards to the pound.....	132,042	Yard.
<b>Shirtings, bleached muslin, 4-4:</b>		
Fruit of the Loom.....	122,372	Yard.
Lonsdale (new construction).....	126,409	Yard.
Rough Rider.....	133,390	Yard.
Wamsutta $\begin{matrix} <0> \\ XX \end{matrix}$ .....	105,022	Yard.
<b>Silk, raw:</b>		
Italian, classical.....	5,803	Pound.
Japan, Kansai, No. 1.....	17,410	Pound.
<b>Suitings:</b>		
Clay worsted, diagonal—		
12-ounce.....	19,969	Yard.
16-ounce.....	19,969	Yard.
Middlesex, wool-dyed, blue.....	19,969	Yard.
Serge, 11-ounce.....	19,969	Yard.
Tickings, Amoskeag, A. C. A., 2.05 yards to the pound.....	115,792	Yard.
Trouserings, fancy worsted, 16½ to 17½ ounces to the yard.....	19,969	Yard.
<b>Underwear:</b>		
Cotton—		
Men's shirts and drawers.....	22,567	Dozen garments.
Women's union suits.....	2,048	Dozen suits.
Merino—		
Men's shirts and drawers, 50 per cent wool.....	2,536	Dozen garments.
Union suits, 40 per cent wool.....	364	Dozen suits.
<b>Women's dress goods:</b>		
All wool—		
Broadcloth, 53-54 inches.....	31,121	Yard.
French serge, 35 inches.....	48,016	Yard.
Storm serge, double warp, 50-inch.....	33,611	Yard.
Cotton warp—		
Cashmere, Hamilton Mills.....	26,010	Yard.
Poplar cloth, 36-inch.....	26,010	Yard.
Sicilian cloth, 50-inch.....	18,727	Yard.
<b>Wool, Ohio, scoured fleece:</b>		
Fine (X and XX grades).....	116,898	Pound.
Medium (one-fourth and three-eighths grades).....	70,139	Pound.
<b>Worsted yarns:</b>		
2-40s, Australian fine.....	63,089	Pound.
2-32s, crossbred stock.....	25,235	Pound.

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## Group IV.—Fuel and lighting.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
Alcohol, denatured, 180 proof.....	4, 552	Gallon.
Candles, adamantine, 6s, 14-ounce.....	38, 466	Pound.
Coal:		
Anthracite—		
Broken.....	3, 439	Long ton.
Chestnut.....	12, 962	Long ton.
Egg.....	7, 783	Long ton.
Stove.....	11, 652	Long ton.
Bituminous, Pittsburgh, run of mine.....	107, 551	Short ton.
Semibituminous—		
New River.....	107, 551	Short ton.
Pocahontas.....	96, 028	Long ton.
Coke, Connellsville, furnace.....	39, 472	Short ton.
Gasoline, motor.....	540, 328	Gallon.
Matches, Globe, No. 1.....	12, 071	Case.
Petroleum:		
Crude.....	183, 171	Barrel.
Refined—		
S. W. 110° fire test, for export.....	837, 397	Gallon.
W. W. 150° fire test.....	837, 397	Gallon.

## Group V.—Metals and metal products.

Augers, regular, 1-inch.....	No weight.	
Axes, Essex, pattern handled.....	No weight.	
Bar iron:		
Best refined, Philadelphia.....	1, 083, 265	Pound.
Common, from mill, Pittsburgh.....	1, 083, 265	Pound.
Butts, loose pin, wrought steel, 3½ by 3½ inches.....	No weight.	
Chisels, regular, socket firmer, 1-inch.....	No weight.	
Copper:		
Ingot, electrolytic.....	1, 312, 438	Pound.
Sheet, hot-rolled (base sizes).....	No weight.	
Wire, bare, No. 8.....	278, 964	Pound.
Door knobs, steel, bronze-plated.....	No weight.	
Files, 8-inch mill bastard.....	No weight.	
Hammers, Maydole, No. 1½.....	No weight.	
Iron ore, Mesabi Bessemer.....	52, 310	Long ton.
Lead, pig, desilverized.....	732, 153	Pound.
Lead pipe.....	1, 058	100 pounds.
Locks, common mortise, knob lock, 3¼-inch.....	No weight.	
Nails, 8-penny, fence and common:		
Cut.....	No weight.	
Wire.....	13, 916	Keg.
Pig iron:		
Basic.....	1, 742	Long ton.
Bessemer.....	1, 168	Long ton.
Foundry—		
No. 2, northern.....	2, 557	Long ton.
No. 2, southern.....	2, 557	Long ton.
Pipe, cast-iron, 6-inch.....	1, 146	Short ton.
Planes, jack planes.....	No weight.	
Quicksilver.....	No weight.	
Saws, Disston:		
Cross-cut, No. 2, 6-foot.....	No weight.	
Hand, No. 8, skewback, 26-inch.....	No weight.	
Shovels, Ames, No. 2.....	No weight.	
Silver, bar, fine.....	151, 969	Ounce.
Steel:		
Billets, Bessemer.....	4, 972	Long ton.
Plates, tank, ½-inch thick.....	5, 256, 756	Pound.
Rails, standard—		
Bessemer.....	1, 767	Ton.
Open hearth.....	1, 257	Ton.
Sheets, box annealed, No. 27.....	No weight.	
Structural.....	4, 996, 876	Pound.
Tin:		
Pig.....	94, 248	Pound.
Plate, coke.....	12, 968	100 pounds.
Trowels, Johnson's, brick, 10½-inch.....	No weight.	
Vises, solid box, 50-pound.....	No weight.	

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## Group V.—Metals and metal products—Concluded.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
Wire:		
Barbed, galvanized.....	6,471	100 pounds.
Plain, annealed, Nos. 0 to 9.....	9,580	100 pounds.
Wood screws, 1-inch, No. 10, flathead.....	No weight.	
Zinc:		
Sheet.....	576	100 pounds.
Spelter (pig zinc), western.....	464,903	Pound.

## Group VI.—Lumber and building materials.

Brick, common:		
Chicago, run of kiln, salmon.....	3,264	1,000.
Cincinnati, red, building.....	3,264	1,000.
New York, red, domestic, building.....	3,264	1,000.
Cement:		
Portland, domestic.....	65,435	Barrel.
Rosendale.....	No weight.	
Doors, western white pine.....	No weight.	
Glass:		
Plate, polished, glazing—		
Area 3 to 5 square feet.....	24,861	Square foot.
Area 5 to 10 square feet.....	24,861	Square foot.
Window, American, single, 25-inch—		
A A.....	3,461	50 square feet.
B.....	3,461	50 square feet.
Lath, eastern spruce, 1½-inch slab.....	4,388	1,000.
Lime, eastern, common.....	23,278	Barrel.
Lumber:		
Douglas fir—		
No. 1.....	3,642	1,000 feet.
No. 2 and better.....	1,214	1,000 feet.
Hemlock.....	3,051	1,000 feet.
Maple.....	1,107	1,000 feet.
Oak, white—		
Plain.....	1,471	1,000 feet.
Quartered.....	2,943	1,000 feet.
Pine—		
White, boards, rough, No. 2 barn.....	3,510	1,000 feet.
White, boards, rough, uppers.....	390	1,000 feet.
Yellow, flooring.....	10,173	1,000 feet.
Yellow, siding.....	6,104	1,000 feet.
Poplar, yellow.....	859	1,000 feet.
Spruce, eastern.....	1,749	1,000 feet.
Paint materials:		
Lead, carbonate of (white lead), American, in oil.....	247,237	Pound.
Linseed oil, raw.....	102,528	Gallon.
Turpentine, spirits of.....	29,765	Gallon.
Zinc, oxide of (zinc white), American, extra dry.....	143,550	Pound.
Putty.....	63,502	Pound.
Rosin, common to good, strained.....	3,673	Barrel.
Shingles, 16 inches long:		
Cypress.....	1,387	1,000.
Red cedar.....	12,065	1,000.
Tar, pine.....	No weight.	

## Group VII.—Drugs and chemicals.

Alcohol:		
Grain, 190 proof, U. S. P.....	48,912	Gallon.
Wood, refined, 95 per cent.....	12,636	Gallon.
Alum, lump.....	278,940	Pound.
Borax, crystals and granulated, sacks.....	82,875	Pound.
Glycerin, refined, chemically pure.....	123,353	Pound.
Muriatic acid, 20°.....	103,223	Pound.
Opium, natural, in cases.....	491	Pound.
Quinine, manufacturers' quotations.....	2,310	Ounce.
Sulphur (brimstone), stick, crude.....	268	Long ton.
Sulphuric acid, 66°.....	1,367,214	Pound.

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## Group VIII.—House-furnishing goods.

Commodity.	Quantity used as weight (000 omitted).	Unit.
Earthenware:		
Plates, 7-inch—		
Cream-colored.....	11, 451	Dozen.
White granite.....	10, 737	Dozen.
Teacups and saucers, white granite.....	8, 722	Dozen each.
Furniture:		
Bedroom sets, 3 pieces.....	No weight.	
Chairs—		
Bedroom, rocker, oak.....	No weight.	
Kitchen, hardwood.....	No weight.	
Tables, kitchen, 2 by 3½ feet, with drawer.....	No weight.	
Glassware, common:		
Nappies, 4-inch.....	5, 359	Dozen.
Pitchers, ½-gallon.....	5, 359	Dozen.
Tumblers, table, ½-pint.....	11, 687	Dozen.
Table cutlery:		
Carvers, stag handles.....	No weight.	
Knives and forks, cocobolo handles, metal bolsters.....	No weight.	
Woodenware, oak-grained:		
Pails, 3-hoop.....	No weight.	
Tubs.....	No weight.	

## Group IX.—Miscellaneous.

Beer, western, light or dark.....	No weight.	
Cottonseed meal, prime.....	1, 675	Short ton.
Cottonseed oil, prime, summer yellow.....	1, 187, 464	Pound.
Jute, raw.....	312, 798	Pound.
Lubricating oil, paraffin.....	537, 294	Gallon.
Malt, standard keg beer.....	47, 591	Bushel.
Paper:		
News, wood, roll, annual contracts.....	2, 388, 164	Pound.
Wrapping, manila, No. 1 jute.....	1, 526, 134	Pound.
Proof spirits.....	No weight.	
Rope, pure manila, ½-inch (base size) and larger.....	150, 170	Pound.
Rubber, Para Island, fine.....	84, 568	Pound.
Soap:		
Laundry—		
100 bars to a box of 68½ pounds.....	12, 631	Box.
100 bars to a box of 75 pounds.....	11, 578	Box.
Starch, laundry.....	694, 810	Pound.
Tobacco:		
Plug, Climax.....	173, 418	Pound.
Smoking, granulated, Blackwell's Bull Durham.....	22, 486	Gross bags.
Whisky, straight:		
Bourbon—		
4 years in bond, 100 proof, in barrels, Kentucky.....	31, 251	Gallon.
Bottled in bond, Kentucky.....	1, 178	Case.
Rye—		
4 years in bond, 100 proof, in barrels—		
Illinois.....	12, 500	Gallon.
Pennsylvania.....	12, 500	Gallon.
Bottled in bond—		
Illinois.....	471	Case.
Pennsylvania.....	471	Case.
Wood pulp, sulphite, domestic, unbleached.....	24, 358	100 pounds.

## APPENDIX B.

### RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF COMMODITIES, AS MEASURED BY THEIR WHOLESALE VALUES IN EXCHANGE IN 1909 AND 1916.

[The figures denoting the values in exchange in this table have been obtained by multiplying the average wholesale price of each commodity for the year by the estimated quantity marketed in 1909.]

#### Group I.—Farm products.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as percent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as percent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Cotton, middling:						
New Orleans.....				\$508,517	9.92	2.54
New York.....	\$654,960	16.15	4.50	260,931	5.09	1.30
Flaxseed, No. 1:						
Chicago.....	31,470	.78	.22			
Minneapolis.....				44,802	.87	.22
Grain:						
Barley, malting—						
Choice to fancy.....	50,753	1.25	.35			
Fair to good.....				65,316	1.27	.33
Corn, cash—						
Contract grades.....	307,661	7.59	2.11	152,093	2.97	.76
No. 3 mixed.....				224,436	4.38	1.12
Oats, cash.....	128,841	3.18	.89	121,930	2.38	.61
Rye, No. 2, cash.....	23,103	.57	.16	32,854	.64	.16
Wheat, cash—						
Chicago, No. 1, spring.....				38,223	.75	.19
Chicago, No. 2, winter.....				167,559	3.27	.84
Chicago, range of two grades.....	819,894	20.21	5.64			
Kansas City, No. 2, winter.....				329,833	6.43	1.65
Minneapolis, No. 1, spring.....				342,625	6.68	1.71
Portland, Oreg., bluestem.....				48,607	.95	.24
Hay, timothy, No. 1.....	143,798	3.55	.99	177,655	3.46	.89
Hides:						
Calfskins, No. 1.....				44,335	.86	.22
Green, salted, packers'—						
Heavy native steers.....	151,894	3.74	1.04	160,962	3.14	.80
Heavy Texas steers.....				73,380	1.43	.37
Hops:						
New York State.....	9,654	.24	.07	4,406	.09	.02
Pacific coast.....				3,365	.07	.02
Live stock (for food):						
Cattle, steers—						
Choice to prime.....	304,211	7.50	2.09	431,903	8.42	2.16
Good to choice.....	534,933	13.19	3.68	793,583	15.47	3.96
Hogs—						
Heavy.....	144,703	3.57	.99	183,745	3.58	.92
Light.....	422,005	10.40	2.90	538,893	10.51	2.69
Sheep—						
Ewes, poor to best.....				16,482	.32	.08
Lambs, good to prime.....				88,674	1.73	.44
Wethers, common to best.....	50,504	1.25	.35	9,193	.18	.05
Wethers, western.....	10,410	.26	.07			
Peanuts, No. 1 grade.....				15,688	.31	.08
Poultry, live fowls:						
Chicago.....				37,693	.73	.19
New York, choice.....	73,590	1.81	.51	43,430	.85	.22
Tobacco, Burley, dark red.....	193,648	4.77	1.33	167,600	3.27	.84
<b>Farm products.....</b>	<b>4,056,032</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>27.83</b>	<b>5,128,713</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>25.61</b>



## RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF COMMODITIES, AS MEASURED BY THEIR WHOLESALE VALUES IN EXCHANGE IN 1909 AND 1916—Continued.

## Group II.—Food, etc.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Beans, medium, choice.....	\$34,579	0.89	0.24	\$71,555	1.38	0.36
Butter:						
Boston—						
Creamery, extra.....				7,746	.15	.04
Creamery, firsts.....				23,529	.45	.12
Creamery, seconds.....				3,524	.07	.02
Chicago—						
Creamery, extra.....				33,187	.64	.17
Creamery, extra firsts.....				103,392	2.00	.52
Creamery, firsts.....				15,460	.30	.08
Cincinnati—						
Whole milk, extra.....				1,953	.04	.01
Creamery, firsts.....				5,221	.10	.03
Creamery, seconds.....				742	.01	(1)
Elgin, Ill., creamery, Elgin.....	100,552	2.59	.69	15,762	.30	.08
New Orleans—						
Creamery, fancy.....				1,904	.04	.01
Creamery, choice.....				5,924	.11	.03
New York—						
Creamery, extra.....	101,490	2.61	.70	16,412	.32	.08
Creamery, firsts.....				50,247	.97	.25
Creamery, seconds.....				7,455	.14	.04
Dairy.....	92,210	2.37	.63			
Philadelphia—						
Creamery, extra.....				8,020	.15	.04
Creamery, extra firsts.....				24,644	.48	.12
Creamery, firsts.....				3,747	.07	.02
San Francisco—						
Creamery, extra.....				1,551	.03	.01
Creamery, firsts.....				4,689	.09	.03
Canned goods:						
Corn—						
No. 2, fancy.....	13,536	.35	.09			
New York standard.....				12,668	.24	.06
Peas—						
No. 2, sifted.....	16,524	.43	.11			
Western, No. 5, sieve.....				9,197	.18	.05
Tomatoes, standard New Jersey.....	24,852	.64	.17	32,167	.62	.16
Cheese:						
Chicago, American twins.....				24,670	.48	.12
New York, average, fancy.....	52,516	1.35	.36	25,533	.49	.13
San Francisco, California flats.....				11,041	.21	.06
Coffee, Rio, No. 7.....	81,310	2.09	.56	95,952	1.85	.48
Eggs:						
Boston, firsts, western.....				28,994	.52	.13
Chicago, firsts, fresh.....				60,629	1.17	.30
Cincinnati, firsts, fresh.....				25,336	.49	.13
New Orleans, candled, western.....				22,565	.44	.11
New York, firsts, fresh.....				67,834	1.31	.34
New York, new laid, near-by, fancy.....	291,537	7.50	2.00			
Philadelphia, extra firsts.....				27,921	.54	.14
San Francisco, fresh.....				25,790	.50	.13
Fish:						
Cod—						
Dry bank, Boston.....	4,809	.12	.03			
Large, shore, Gloucester.....				5,509	.11	.03
Herring—						
Nova Scotia, split.....	3,032	.08	.02			
Domestic, split.....				3,137	.06	.02
Mackerel, salt, large No. 3s.....	1,946	.05	.01	2,674	.05	.01
Salmon, canned—						
Alaska, red.....				30,933	.60	.15
Chinook fancy, 1s.....	31,333	.81	.22			
Flour:						
Buckwheat.....	4,740	.12	.03	7,353	.14	.04
Rye—						
Minneapolis, medium straight.....				9,129	.18	.05
New York.....	7,150	.18	.05			

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-hundredth of 1 per cent.

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## Group II.—Food, etc.—Continued.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Flour—Concluded.						
Wheat—						
Kansas City, winter patents.....				\$106,095	2.05	0.53
Kansas City, winter straights.....				33,847	.65	.17
Minneapolis, second patents.....				55,698	1.08	.28
Minneapolis, standard patents.....				171,203	3.31	.85
New York, spring patents.....	\$463,299	11.92	3.18			
New York, winter straights.....	146,234	3.76	1.01			
St. Louis, patent.....				127,838	2.47	.64
St. Louis, straight.....				40,010	.77	.20
Toledo, patent.....				131,176	2.54	.65
Toledo, straight.....				43,057	.83	.21
Fruit:						
Apples, Baldwin.....				67,328	1.30	.34
Bananas, Jamaica, 8s.....				33,171	.64	.17
Currants, uncleaned, in barrels.....	1,939	.05	.01	3,959	.08	.02
Lemons, California.....				17,734	.34	.09
Oranges, California.....				68,929	1.33	.34
Prunes, California.....	7,370	.19	.05	10,215	.20	.05
Raisins, California.....	18,163	.47	.12	20,769	.40	.10
Glucose, 42° mixing.....	19,047	.49	.13	19,811	.38	.10
Lard, prime contract.....	145,374	3.74	1.00	167,509	3.24	.84
Meal, corn:						
Fine white.....	43,350	1.12	.30	55,523	1.07	.28
Fine yellow.....	42,961	1.11	.30	54,965	1.06	.27
Meat:						
Bacon—						
Short clear sides.....	43,480	1.12	.30	55,120	1.07	.28
Short rib sides.....	42,035	1.08	.29	54,193	1.05	.27
Beef, fresh—						
Chicago, good native steers.....	280,464	5.93	1.58	290,869	5.62	1.45
New York, native sides.....	199,735	5.14	1.37	231,819	5.45	1.41
Beef, salt, extra, mess.....	6,966	.18	.05	11,969	.23	.06
Hams, smoked.....	103,472	2.66	.71	146,124	2.82	.73
Lamb, dressed, round.....				60,449	1.17	.30
Mutton, dressed.....	44,568	1.15	.31	20,656	.40	.10
Pork, salt, mess.....	101,618	2.61	.70	127,454	2.46	.64
Poultry, dressed fowls—						
Chicago, iced.....				35,114	.68	.18
New York, western.....	68,411	1.76	.47	44,770	.87	.22
Veal, good to prime.....				48,147	.93	.24
Milk, fresh:						
Chicago (vicinity).....				120,885	2.34	.60
New York (vicinity).....				120,266	2.32	.60
San Francisco (vicinity).....	261,919	6.74	1.80	58,118	1.12	.29
Molasses, New Orleans, open kettle.....				25,061	.48	.13
Oleomargarine, standard quality.....	19,492	.50	.13	26,565	.51	.13
Oleo oil, extra.....				20,249	.39	.10
Olive oil:						
French, bulk.....				1,855	.04	.01
Italian.....				6,151	.12	.03
Rice:						
Domestic, choice, head.....	42,381	1.09	.29			
Honduras, head.....				31,084	.60	.16
Salt, American, medium.....	18,096	.47	.12	25,346	.49	.13
Spices: pepper, black, Singapore.....	2,577	.07	.02	6,378	.12	.03
Sugar:						
96° centrifugal.....	252,641	6.50	1.74	365,698	7.07	1.83
Granulated, in barrels.....	350,661	9.02	2.41	506,837	9.79	2.53
Tallow:						
Chicago, packers' prime.....				20,097	.39	.10
New York.....	12,071	.31	.08			
Tea, Formosa, fine.....	26,445	.68	.18	27,252	.53	.14
Vegetables, fresh:						
Cabbage.....	9,737	.25	.07	9,464	.18	.05
Onions—						
Chicago.....				9,669	.19	.05
New York.....	9,206	.24	.06			

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## Group II.—Food, etc.—Concluded.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Vegetables, fresh—Concluded.						
Potatoes, white—						
Good to choice.....				\$441,533	8.53	2.20
Ordinary to fancy.....	\$272,599	7.01	1.87			
Vinegar, cider, 40-grain.....	17,713	.46	.12	12,793	.25	.06
Food, etc.....	3,886,140	100.00	26.71	5,174,517	100.00	25.84

## Group III.—Cloths and clothing.

Blankets:						
All-wool, 5 pounds to the pair.....	\$3,002	0.18	0.02	\$4,128	0.18	0.02
Cotton—						
2 pounds to the pair.....				1,161	.05	.01
5 pounds to the pair.....	791	.05	.01			
Boots and shoes:						
Men's—						
Brogans, split.....	37,555	2.28	.26			
Creedmores, split.....				24,823	1.06	.12
Vici calf, blucher.....	92,323	5.60	.63	69,713	2.98	.35
Gun metal, blucher.....				50,231	2.15	.25
Gun metal, button.....				63,924	2.74	.32
Vici kid, Goodyear welt.....	81,370	4.94	.56	65,802	2.82	.33
Women's—						
Gun metal, Goodyear welt.....				79,740	3.41	.40
Patent leather pump.....				55,083	2.36	.28
Gun metal, McKay sewed.....				67,351	2.88	.34
Solid grain.....	90,024	5.46	.62			
Broadcloth, first quality black.....	40,337	2.45	.28	60,073	2.57	.30
Carpets:						
Brussels, Bigelow, 5-frame.....	6,307	.38	.04	8,169	.35	.04
Lowell—						
Axminster.....				22,915	.98	.11
Ingrain, 2-ply.....	6,144	.37	.04			
Wilton, Bigelow, 5-frame.....	13,584	.82	.09	17,654	.76	.09
Cotton flannel:						
Colored, 2½ yards to the pound.....	15,654	.95	.11	24,748	1.06	.12
Unbleached, 3½ yards to the pound.....	11,056	.67	.08	14,968	.64	.07
Cotton thread, 6-cord, 200-yard spools.....	20,651	1.25	.14	19,334	.83	.10
Cotton yarns, carded, mule-spun:						
10-1, white, northern, cones.....	47,730	2.90	.33	64,206	2.75	.32
22-1, white, northern, cones.....	54,840	3.33	.38	72,092	3.00	.36
Denims, 2.20 yards to pound.....	13,675	.83	.09	24,936	1.07	.12
Drillings, brown:						
Pepperell.....	10,942	.66	.08	13,596	.58	.07
Massachusetts D standard.....				13,616	.58	.07
Stark A.....	11,265	.68	.08			
Flannels, all-wool, white.....	1,771	.11	.01	1,987	.09	.01
Ginghams:						
Amoskeag.....	21,067	1.28	.14	29,129	1.25	.15
Lancaster.....	21,354	1.30	.15	26,657	1.14	.13
Hosiery:						
Men's cotton half hose.....	20,103	1.22	.14	27,391	1.17	.14
Women's cotton hose—						
Full fashioned.....	23,418	1.42	.16	28,585	1.22	.14
Seamless, single thread.....	19,753	1.20	.14	27,828	1.19	.14
Leather:						
Calf, chrome, B grade.....	43,975	2.67	.30	85,554	3.66	.43
Harness, oak—						
California, No. 1.....				49,081	2.10	.25
No. 1, 17 pounds and up.....	37,568	2.28	.26			
Sole—						
Hemlock, middles, No. 1.....	36,553	2.22	.25	55,662	2.38	.28
Oak, scoured backs, heavy.....	36,108	2.19	.25	55,987	2.40	.28
Linen shoe threads, 10s.....	3,407	.21	.02	5,182	.22	.03

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## Group III.—Cloths and clothing—Concluded.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
<b>Overcoatings:</b>						
Covert cloth, all-wool.....	\$4,018	0.24	0.03	\$4,631	0.20	0.02
Kersey, 27 to 28-ounce.....	4,018	.24	.03			
Kersey, wool-dyed, 56-inch.....	4,019	.24	.03	4,785	.20	.02
Soft-faced, black, plain twill.....				4,316	.18	.02
<b>Print cloths:</b>						
27-inch.....				124,293	5.32	.62
28-inch.....	106,494	6.46	.73			
<b>Sheetings:</b>						
<b>Bleached—</b>						
Pepperell, 10-4.....	11,111	.67	.08	13,151	.56	.07
Wamsutta, 10-4.....	11,111	.67	.08	14,813	.63	.07
<b>Brown—</b>						
Indian Head, 4-4.....	7,408	.45	.05	8,688	.37	.04
Lawrence L. L., 4-4.....	7,408	.45	.05			
Pepperell R., 4-4.....	7,408	.45	.05	8,926	.38	.04
Ware Shoals L. L., 4-4.....				9,533	.41	.05
<b>Shirtings, bleached muslin, 4-4:</b>						
Fruit of the Loom.....	11,111	.67	.08	11,748	.50	.06
Lonsdale (new construction).....				11,541	.49	.06
Lonsdale (old construction).....	11,111	.67	.08			
Rough Rider.....	11,672	.71	.08	12,472	.53	.06
Wamsutta $\begin{matrix} \langle \rangle \\ \times \times \end{matrix}$ .....	11,111	.67	.08	13,159	.56	.07
<b>Silk, raw:</b>						
Italian, classical.....	25,404	1.54	.17	34,235	1.47	.17
Japan, Kansai, No. 1.....	66,847	4.06	.46	83,923	3.59	.42
<b>Suitings:</b>						
<b>Clay worsted, diagonal—</b>						
12-ounce.....	24,712	1.50	.17	32,575	1.39	.16
16-ounce.....	29,654	1.80	.20	39,854	1.71	.20
<b>Middlesex, wool-dyed, blue—</b>						
14-ounce.....	31,451	1.91	.22			
15-ounce.....				39,427	1.69	.20
Serge, 11-ounce.....	21,343	1.30	.15	30,215	1.29	.15
Tickings, Amoskeag, A. C. A.....	13,675	.83	.09	18,816	.81	.09
Trouserings, fancy worsted.....	49,611	3.01	.34	51,846	2.22	.26
<b>Underwear:</b>						
All-wool shirts and drawers.....	45,648	2.77	.31			
<b>Cotton—</b>						
Men's shirts and drawers.....				104,020	4.45	.52
Women's union suits.....				18,496	.79	.09
<b>Merino—</b>						
Men's shirts and drawers, 50 per cent wool.....				34,356	1.47	.17
Men's shirts and drawers, 60 per cent wool.....	4,806	.29	.03			
Union suits, 40 per cent wool.....				3,409	.15	.02
<b>Women's dress goods:</b>						
<b>All-wool—</b>						
Cashmere, 35-inch.....	25,057	1.52	.17			
French serge, 35-inch.....				21,089	.90	.11
Panama cloth, 54-inch.....	32,869	1.99	.23			
Storm serge, double warp.....				25,595	1.10	.13
Broadcloth, 53-54 inches.....				46,187	1.98	.23
<b>Cotton warp—</b>						
Cashmere, Atlantic Mills.....	4,850	.26	.03			
Cashmere, Hamilton Mills.....	3,689	.22	.03	6,703	.29	.03
Poplar cloth, 54-inch.....	3,722	.23	.03	5,376	.23	.03
Sicilian cloth, 50-inch.....	4,659	.28	.03	8,519	.36	.04
<b>Wool, Ohio, scoured fleece:</b>						
Fine (X and X-X grades).....	86,224	5.23	.59	90,643	3.88	.45
Medium ( $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ grades).....	38,078	2.31	.26	47,680	2.04	.24
<b>Worsted yarns:</b>						
2-40s Australian fine.....	82,438	5.00	.57	93,321	3.99	.47
2-32s crossbred stock.....	23,299	1.41	.16	26,497	1.13	.13
<b>Cloths and clothing.....</b>	<b>1,647,863</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>11.33</b>	<b>2,336,180</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>11.66</b>

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Group IV.—Fuel and lighting.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Alcohol, denatured, 180 proof.....				\$2,561	0.12	0.01
Candles, adamantine, 6s, 14-ounce.....	\$2,789	0.20	0.02	2,789	.13	.01
Coal:						
Anthracite—						
Broken.....	14,445	1.04	.10	16,136	.78	.08
Chestnut.....	62,474	4.49	.43	72,136	3.48	.36
Egg.....	37,244	2.68	.26	41,177	1.99	.21
Stove.....	56,158	4.04	.39	63,550	3.07	.32
Bituminous—						
Georges Creek, at mine.....	132,442	9.53	.91			
Georges Creek, New York.....	293,049	21.08	2.01			
Pittsburgh, run-of-mine.....				287,699	13.89	1.44
Youghioheny.....	217,522	15.64	1.50			
Semibituminous—						
New River.....				329,827	15.92	1.65
Pocahontas.....				358,108	17.29	1.79
Coke, Connellsville, furnace.....	79,027	5.68	.54	128,118	6.19	.64
Gasoline, motor.....				124,275	6.00	.62
Matches:						
Domestic, parlor.....	18,107	1.30	.12			
Globe, No. 1.....				14,787	.71	.07
Petroleum:						
Crude.....	304,668	21.91	2.09	454,869	21.96	2.27
Refined—						
110° fire test, S. W.....	69,923	5.03	.48	73,448	3.55	.37
150° fire test, W. W.....	102,581	7.38	.71	101,911	4.92	.51
Fuel and lighting.....	1,390,429	100.00	9.56	2,071,391	100.00	10.34

Group V.—Metals and metal products.

Bar iron:						
Best refined, Philadelphia.....	\$19,065	2.29	0.13	\$35,423	1.78	0.18
Common, Pittsburgh.....	15,816	1.90	.11	27,948	1.41	.14
Copper:						
Ingot, electrolytic.....	172,061	20.62	1.18	361,445	18.20	1.80
Wire, bare, No. 8.....	41,370	4.96	.28	85,140	4.29	.43
Iron ore, Mesabi Bessemer.....				226,241	11.39	1.13
Lead, pig, desilverized.....	31,409	3.76	.22	49,786	2.51	.25
Lead pipe.....	5,100	.61	.04	8,038	.40	.04
Nails, wire, 8-penny.....	26,673	3.20	.18	36,123	1.82	.18
Pig iron:						
Basic.....				34,422	1.73	.17
Bessemer.....	20,333	2.44	.44	27,902	1.41	.14
Foundry—						
No. 1.....	45,529	5.46	.31			
No. 2, northern.....	41,961	5.03	.29	53,863	2.71	.27
No. 2, southern.....				47,741	2.40	.24
Gray forge, southern.....	7,648	.92	.05			
Pipe, cast-iron, 6-inch.....				36,234	1.82	.18
Silver, bar, fine.....	79,267	9.50	.54	99,783	5.02	.50
Steel:						
Billets, Bessemer.....	122,390	14.67	.84	218,499	11.00	1.09
Plates, tank, ½-inch thick.....				170,319	8.58	.95
Rails, standard—						
Bessemer.....	84,672	10.15	.58	55,366	2.79	.28
Open-hearth.....				41,900	2.11	.21
Structural.....				141,412	7.12	.71
Tin:						
Pig.....	27,879	3.34	.19	40,781	2.05	.20
Plate, coke—						
New York.....	48,458	5.81	.33			
Pittsburgh.....				65,577	3.30	.33

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## Group V.—Metals and metal products—Concluded.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Wire:						
Barbed, galvanized.....	\$15,266	1.83	0.10	\$22,745	1.15	0.11
Plain annealed.....				23,152	1.17	.12
Zinc:						
Sheet.....	3,826	.46	.03	10,819	.54	.05
Spelter (pig zinc), western.....	25,616	3.07	.18	65,226	3.28	.33
Metals and metal products.....	834,339	100.00	5.73	1,985,885	100.00	9.92

## Group VI.—Lumber and building materials.

Brick, common:						
Chicago, salmon.....				\$15,612	0.85	0.08
Cincinnati, red, building.....				22,032	1.20	.11
New York, red, building.....	\$62,526	3.71	0.43	26,225	1.43	.13
Cement, Portland, domestic.....	92,375	5.48	.63	110,507	6.03	.55
Glass:						
Plate, polished, glazing—						
3 to 5 square feet.....	5,014	.30	.03	7,252	.40	.04
5 to 10 square feet.....	7,003	.42	.05	8,391	.46	.04
Window, American, single, 25-inch—						
A A.....	8,030	.48	.06	12,719	.69	.06
B.....	6,399	.38	.04	8,631	.47	.04
Lath, eastern spruce, 1½-inch slab.....				18,521	1.01	.09
Lime, common.....	24,326	1.44	.17	32,706	1.79	.16
Lumber:						
Douglas fir—						
No. 1.....				37,786	2.06	.19
No. 2 and better.....				22,500	1.23	.11
Hemlock.....	62,800	3.73	.43	71,826	3.92	.36
Maple.....	34,317	2.04	.24	44,926	2.45	.22
Oak, white—						
Plain.....	71,221	4.23	.49	90,221	4.93	.45
Quartered.....	248,193	14.73	1.71	254,570	13.90	1.27
Pine—						
White, boards, No. 2 barn.....	130,236	7.73	.90	131,625	7.19	.66
White, boards, uppers.....	36,286	2.15	.25	40,365	2.20	.20
Yellow, flooring.....	466,262	27.67	3.20	400,562	21.87	2.00
Yellow, siding.....	201,687	11.97	1.39	194,218	10.61	.97
Poplar, yellow.....	49,500	2.94	.34	51,791	2.83	.26
Spruce, eastern.....	44,162	2.62	.30	49,409	2.70	.25
Paint materials:						
Lead, carbonate of (white lead).....	15,749	.93	.11	22,919	1.25	.11
Linseed oil, raw.....	59,466	3.53	.41	76,978	4.20	.38
Turpentine, spirits of.....	14,609	.87	.10	14,615	.80	.07
Zinc, oxide of (zinc, white).....	7,422	.44	.05	13,192	.72	.07
Putty.....	762	.05	.01	2,064	.11	.01
Rosin, common to good, strained.....	12,856	.76	.09	21,303	1.16	.11
Shingles, 16 inches long:						
Cypress.....	24,060	1.43	.17	4,779	.26	.02
Red cedar.....				22,930	1.25	.11
Lumber and building materials.....	1,685,261	100.00	11.58	1,831,235	100.00	9.14

## Group VII.—Drugs and chemicals.

Alcohol:						
Grain, 190 proof, U. S. P.....	\$128,027	69.68	0.88	\$130,267	49.41	0.65
Wood, refined, 95 per cent.....	6,318	3.44	.04	8,476	3.22	.04
Alum, lump.....	4,881	2.66	.03	11,389	4.32	.06
Borax, crystals.....				5,420	2.06	.03
Glycerin, refined.....	20,970	11.41	.14	62,651	23.76	.31
Muriatic acid, 20°.....	1,383	.75	.01	2,539	.96	.01

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## Group VII.—Drugs and chemicals—Concluded.

Commodity.	1909			1916		
	Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—		Value in exchange (expressed in millions).	Value of commodity expressed as per cent of aggregate value of—	
		Commodities in group.	All commodities.		Commodities in group.	All commodities.
Opium, natural, in cases.....	\$2,264	1.23	0.02	\$5,567	2.11	0.03
Quinine, manufacturers' quotations.....	325	.18	( <sup>1</sup> )	1,578	.60	.01
Sulphur (brimstone), stick.....	5,896	3.21	.04	8,397	3.19	.04
Sulphuric acid, 66°.....	13,672	7.44	.09	27,344	10.37	.14
Drugs and chemicals.....	183,736	100.00	1.26	263,628	100.00	1.32

## Group VIII.—House-furnishing goods.

Earthenware:						
Plates, 7-inch—						
Cream colored.....	\$4,924	22.07	0.03	\$5,200	22.33	0.03
White granite.....	4,924	22.07	.03	5,201	22.34	.03
Teacups and saucers, white granite.....	4,925	22.08	.03	5,200	22.33	.03
Glassware, common:						
Nappies, 4-inch.....	627	2.81	( <sup>1</sup> )	864	3.71	( <sup>1</sup> )
Pitchers, $\frac{1}{2}$ -gallon.....	5,338	23.93	.04	5,359	23.01	.03
Tumblers, table, $\frac{1}{2}$ -pint.....	1,568	7.03	.01	1,461	6.27	.01
House-furnishing goods.....	22,306	100.00	.15	23,285	100.00	.12

## Group IX.—Miscellaneous.

Cottonseed meal, prime.....	\$53,662	6.36	0.37	\$61,442	5.06	0.31
Cottonseed oil, prime.....	69,649	8.25	.48	126,346	10.41	.63
Jute, raw.....	9,947	1.18	.07	23,866	1.97	.12
Lubricating oil, paraffin.....				107,781	8.88	.54
Malt, standard keg beer.....	37,440	4.44	.26	51,698	4.26	.26
Paper:						
News, wood, roll, contract.....	48,957	5.80	.34	64,480	5.31	.32
Wrapping, manila, No. 1 jute.....	72,491	8.59	.50	121,022	9.97	.60
Rope, pure manila.....	12,629	1.50	.09	27,406	2.26	.14
Rubber, Para Island, fine.....	125,245	14.84	.86	56,610	4.66	.28
Soap, laundry:						
100 bars to a box of 68 $\frac{1}{2}$ pounds.....				35,809	2.95	.18
100 bars to a box of 75 pounds.....				42,115	3.47	.21
Starch, laundry.....	29,807	3.53	.20	30,989	2.55	.15
Tobacco:						
Plug, Climax—						
12 pieces to the pound.....				84,975	7.00	.42
14 $\frac{1}{2}$ ounces to the plug.....	81,506	9.66	.56			
Smoking, granulated—						
Black well's Bull Durham.....				129,519	10.67	.65
Seal of North Carolina.....	121,425	14.89	.83			
Whisky, straight:						
Bourbon—						
In barrels, Kentucky.....				85,940	7.08	.43
In bottles, Kentucky.....				14,136	1.16	.07
Rye—						
In barrels—						
Illinois.....				22,161	1.83	.11
Pennsylvania.....				26,875	2.21	.13
In bottles—						
Illinois.....				4,004	.33	.02
Pennsylvania.....				3,913	.32	.02
Wood pulp, sulphite, domestic.....				92,916	7.65	.46
Miscellaneous.....	843,726	100.00	5.80	1,214,003	100.00	6.06
All commodities.....	14,549,832	100.00		20,028,837	100.00	

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-hundredth of 1 per cent.

## APPENDIX C.

### WHOLESALE PRICES IN GREAT BRITAIN AND CANADA.

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

According to the British Board of Trade Labor Gazette for January, 1917 (p. 6), the general level of wholesale prices continued to rise throughout 1916, and the index number <sup>1</sup> for the year, 186.5 based on the index numbers of 47 separate articles weighted in accordance with their estimated consumption,<sup>2</sup> was the highest on record. In the following table the index numbers of 47 articles are classified into four groups, showing the total averages for 1916 as compared with those of every year back to 1900, which is taken as the base, or 100.

INDEX NUMBERS OF 47 ARTICLES, CLASSIFIED BY GROUPS, FOR EACH YEAR, 1900 TO 1916, INCLUSIVE, THE YEAR 1900 BEING TAKEN AS THE BASE YEAR OF THE SERIES.

[Source: Board of Trade Labor Gazette, January, 1917, pp. 6, 7.]

Year.	Coal and metals.	Textiles (raw materials).	Food, drink, and tobacco.	Miscellaneous.	All articles combined.
1900.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1901.....	82.2	93.3	100.1	96.3	96.7
1902.....	76.1	92.3	101.4	92.5	96.4
1903.....	74.1	101.7	100.6	91.7	96.9
1904.....	70.9	112.9	101.2	88.3	98.2
1905.....	71.3	106.7	101.2	91.1	97.6
1906.....	78.3	121.1	101.0	95.6	100.8
1907.....	86.9	127.4	105.5	99.7	106.0
1908.....	78.5	109.8	107.0	94.8	103.0
1909.....	73.6	112.4	108.7	96.5	104.1
1910.....	76.6	136.2	109.2	104.3	108.8
1911.....	74.7	128.9	111.6	105.5	109.4
1912.....	84.9	119.6	119.9	110.1	114.9
1913.....	92.5	135.0	117.7	109.4	116.5
1914 (January to July).....	86.2	135.1	114.8	106.2	113.6
1914 (August to December) <sup>1</sup> .....	88.8	116.8	130.4	119.1	122.6
1914 (year).....	86.7	128.8	120.9	111.3	117.2
1915.....	116.7	119.8	154.1	143.8	143.9
1916 <sup>2</sup> .....	166.1	180.2	189.2	204.7	186.5
Per cent of increase, 1916 over 1915.....	42.3	50.4	22.8	42.4	29.6

<sup>1</sup> First 5 months of the war.

<sup>2</sup> The figures for 1916 are preliminary and subject to correction.

It will be noted that since 1908 the upward movement has been continuous, with a sharp advance in the years 1915 and 1916, incident to the war. The greatest increases, 1916 over 1915, were in the following commodities: Cotton, 59 per cent; British wool, 63 per cent; jute, 45 per cent; silk, 47 per cent; petroleum, 94 per cent; paraffin wax, 64 per cent; cotton seed, 63 per cent; wood and timber, 56 per cent. In foods the percentage of increase is not given for each commodity, but the general increase was approximately 23 per cent, as shown in the table. This is less than in the other

<sup>1</sup> A full explanation of the British Board of Trade index numbers may be found in Bulletin No. 173 of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, p. 255 et seq.

<sup>2</sup> The amount of consumption of an article is the production plus the imports, if any, minus the exports, if any. (See Bulletin No. 173, p. 259.)



groups, but is significant, since the index number of this group had already reached a high level in 1915. The most noticeable increases were on potatoes, foreign spirits, rice, maize, and British barley.

In the Economist for February 17, 1917<sup>a</sup> (pp. 293 and 343), the index numbers of commodity prices are presented on a somewhat different basis and in a slightly different grouping from those published by the Board of Trade. Here the average prices of the various commodities in each group (five groups instead of four, as in the table above) in the five years 1901 to 1905 are totaled and divided by 2,<sup>b</sup> the result being taken as the group basis. The market prices at the various dates given are relatives of the basis price. The following table is a record of movements in various commodity groups, month by month, from the outbreak of the war down to the close of 1916:

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITY PRICES, BY GROUPS, MONTH BY MONTH FROM JAN. 1, 1914, TO DEC. 31, 1916, THE AVERAGE FOR THE YEARS 1901 TO 1905 BEING TAKEN AS THE BASIS, 100: SHOWING ALSO THE PERCENTAGE OF CHANGE FROM MONTH TO MONTH.

[Source: The Economist, Feb. 17, 1917, p. 293.]

Date.	Cereals and meats (10 articles).	Other food products (tea, sugar, etc.) (6 articles).	Textiles (10 articles).	Minerals (8 articles).	Miscellaneous (rubber, timber, oils, etc.) (10 articles).	Total (44 articles).	Percentage of change.
<b>Basis (average), 1901-1905</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Jan. 1, 1914.....	563	355	642	491	572	2,623	119.2
Apr. 1, 1914.....	560	350½	626½	493	567	2,597	118.0
July 1, 1914.....	565½	345	616	471½	551	2,549	115.9
End July, 1914.....	579	352	616½	464½	553	2,565	116.6
End August, 1914.....	641	369	626	474	588	2,698	122.6
End September, 1914.....	646	405	611½	472½	645	2,780	126.4
End October, 1914.....	656½	400½	560	458	657	2,732	124.2
End November, 1914.....	683	407½	512	473	684½	2,760	125.5
End December, 1914.....	714	414½	509	476	686½	2,800	127.3
End January, 1915.....	786	413	535	521	748	3,003	136.5
End February, 1915.....	845	411	552½	561½	761	3,131	142.3
End March, 1915.....	840	427	597	644	797	3,305	150.2
End April, 1915.....	847	439½	594½	630	816	3,327	151.2
End May, 1915.....	893	437	583	600	814	3,327	151.2
End June, 1915.....	818	428	601	624	779	3,250	147.7
End July, 1915.....	838½	440½	603	625	774	3,281	149.1
End August, 1915.....	841	438½	628	610½	773	3,296	149.8
End September, 1915.....	809½	470½	667	619½	769½	3,336	151.6
End October, 1915.....	834	443½	681	631½	781	3,371	153.2
End November, 1915.....	871½	444	691	667½	826	3,500	159.1
End December, 1915.....	897	446	731	711½	843½	3,634	165.1
End January, 1916.....	946½	465	782½	761½	884½	3,840	174.5
End February, 1916.....	983	520½	805½	801½	897½	4,008	182.2
End March, 1916.....	949½	503	793½	851	813	4,013	182.4
End April, 1916.....	970½	511	794½	895	1,019	4,190	190.5
End May, 1916.....	c 024	529	805	942	1,019	4,319	196.3
End June, 1916.....	989	520	794	895	1,015	4,213	191.5
End July, 1916.....	961	525	797	881	1,040	4,204	191.1
End August, 1916.....	999½	531½	882	873	1,086	4,372	198.7
End September, 1916.....	1,018	536½	937	858½	1,073	4,423	201.0
End October, 1916.....	1,124½	543	990½	850½	1,087½	4,596	208.7
End November, 1916.....	1,177½	558	1,091	850½	1,102	4,779	217.2
End December, 1916.....	1,294	553	1,124½	824½	1,112	4,908	223.0

<sup>a</sup> The Economist, Weekly Commercial Times, Bankers' Gazette, and Railway Monitor; A Political, Literary, and General Newspaper, Granville House, Arundel Street, Strand, London, W. C.

<sup>b</sup> At the time the Economist began to publish index numbers there were 22 commodities included. These have been increased to 44, and in order to make the present index number comparable with those based upon 22 articles, the totals are here divided by 2.

<sup>c</sup> Taken from the table published in the Economist. The number should be 1,024.

Cereals and meats, minerals, textiles, and the miscellaneous group share generously in the upward jump.

In a sentence, the main causes of the aggravated advance of 1916 were the deficiency of tonnage, the immense withdrawal of men from production, and inflation.

#### CANADA.

The Labor Gazette for January, 1917 (p. 50 et seq.), issued by the Department of Labor of Canada, states that "the rise in prices which was so marked in 1915, especially in the latter part of the year, continued throughout 1916, except for a slight decline during the summer months. But whereas the chief feature of the movement during 1915 was the advance in materials, a steep advance in foods as a result of crop shortage was the chief feature of 1916, although materials continued to advance very steeply in some lines. The first half of the year was marked by the continuation of the rises in metals and chemicals, which had been so steep in the latter part of 1915, while grains and foodstuffs were comparatively steady, with declines in some lines."

"Early in the summer the falling of some materials, including some metals and chemicals in which supplies were fast increasing, coincided with the seasonal declines in eggs, dairy products, and some vegetable foods, causing a slight decline in the general level of prices as shown by the index number.<sup>1</sup> Reports of unfavorable crop conditions, particularly for wheat, were followed by steady advances in the prices of grains, although an enormous surplus from the bumper crops of 1915 was being marketed. These conditions prevailed in nearly all countries, and, in Canada, potatoes, vegetables for canning, root crops, fodder corn, apples, and many fruits were affected as well as grain. Fortunately hay was a very late crop and to a considerable extent made up for the shortage in other lines, while pasture was very good during a great part of the season. From July on marked advances in all lines of food occurred until December, when a period of steadiness appeared. A considerable drop in wheat took place, following reports of peace movements, and flour receded considerably after having reached over \$10 per barrel. Butter was nearly 50 cents per pound wholesale, cheese was over 25 cents per pound at the board sales, fresh eggs were up to 70 cents per dozen wholesale and storage eggs to about 45 cents at Montreal and Toronto. Turkeys were nearly 30 cents per pound wholesale and other poultry was high, although there was considerable marketing on account of the high cost of feed. Meats did not rise as steeply as other foods until the closing weeks of the year, as there was considerable marketing of live stock, but toward the end of the year the resulting scarcity was being

<sup>1</sup> A full explanation of the index numbers compiled by the Department of Labor of Canada may be found in Bulletin No. 173 of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, p. 176 et seq.

felt and prices were rising rapidly. Meanwhile materials had risen in many lines, some being affected by crop conditions, such as cotton, which reached 20 cents per pound. Wool was fairly steady during the latter part of the year, the British Government having secured control of the greater part of the world's production. Iron and steel again rose steeply, though other metals were fairly steady. Lumber also improved as demand increased both in Canada and for export. Miscellaneous building materials and paints were steeply upward. House furnishings were affected by the rising cost of raw materials. Pulp and paper markets were very firm, supplies being very scarce and the demand good. News print rose from 2 cents to 3 cents per pound and pulp prices were more than doubled. \* \* \* Prices of fuel rose to record levels, owing to the shortage of supplies of anthracite coal in some districts and congestion in railway service. Bituminous coal was also scarce and high, there being a very heavy consumption in iron and steel works, munitions factories, transportation, etc. Wood rose in sympathy with coal."

The following table shows the monthly variations of wholesale prices in Canada during 1916, by groups of commodities:

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES, FROM MONTH TO MONTH, 1916.

[Compiled from data furnished by the Department of Labor, Canada.]

[Average prices 1890-1899=100.]

	Number of commodities.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Grain and fodder . . .	15	181.0	179.1	172.5	177.0	184.0	178.4	179.0	187.9	200.5	220.7	246.1	238.4
Animals and meats . .	17	196.3	202.4	200.1	218.1	229.2	234.4	231.7	228.1	213.8	211.5	217.5	234.5
Dairy products . . . .	9	186.7	175.8	171.1	170.1	153.8	154.1	160.5	169.4	184.8	211.4	227.8	245.7
Fish . . . . .	1	163.7	160.1	161.9	171.4	166.1	169.1	155.9	157.7	174.6	168.2	171.3	180.0
Other foods:													
Fruits and vegetables . . . . .	124	169.6	171.0	169.3	173.5	172.8	178.1	170.5	155.6	152.7	165.8	214.2	230.1
Miscellaneous . . . . .	25	143.2	145.0	145.2	147.3	153.7	152.4	153.6	157.0	161.2	169.4	178.5	174.1
Textiles . . . . .	20	174.2	179.8	183.7	186.1	188.1	188.2	192.7	195.6	197.4	202.3	210.5	216.3
Hides, leather, boots . . . . .	11	193.5	194.9	202.1	207.6	229.5	242.1	240.2	234.8	235.4	237.8	272.6	309.0
Metals and implements:													
Metals . . . . .	23	198.4	222.1	222.0	215.3	221.1	199.9	191.9	184.4	192.6	191.6	198.1	208.3
Implements . . . . .	10	116.6	122.0	127.9	134.8	134.4	136.1	136.7	136.7	139.1	141.2	145.9	151.5
Fuel and lighting . . . . .	10	122.0	124.2	129.6	124.4	129.0	126.8	125.6	126.1	128.2	134.3	156.9	163.4
Building materials:													
Lumber . . . . .	14	178.1	177.3	180.2	182.4	182.4	182.2	182.2	182.2	182.9	185.5	184.1	183.3
Miscellaneous . . . . .	20	132.4	136.6	141.1	152.5	153.8	155.2	153.5	154.0	160.8	165.3	171.9	181.6
Paints, oils, glass . . . . .	14	193.9	192.5	190.1	198.9	196.8	193.7	197.4	199.9	199.7	203.7	215.1	222.6
House furnishings . . . . .	16	146.7	147.4	148.7	148.7	152.3	152.3	152.6	152.3	163.0	166.1	169.0	171.8
Drugs and chemicals . . . . .	16	250.4	255.8	267.4	260.9	263.5	262.1	249.0	249.4	251.9	243.9	239.2	238.5
Miscellaneous:													
Furs, raw . . . . .	4	269.6	273.7	287.4	295.7	307.8	300.8	292.3	292.3	292.3	292.3	342.7	351.0
Liquors and tobaccos . . . . .	6	136.7	143.5	143.5	143.5	143.6	143.6	136.7	139.0	141.3	143.6	148.2	169.1
Sundries . . . . .	7	135.1	139.4	139.2	139.9	141.8	141.6	142.1	142.6	142.5	146.6	150.7	154.8
All commodities . . . . .	1 271	172.1	175.9	177.9	181.0	183.3	183.6	180.9	180.7	183.4	188.2	200.5	207.4

<sup>1</sup> The number of changes during the year according to season.

Index numbers of wholesale prices for all years since 1890, by groups of commodities, are contained in the table which follows:

## INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES, BY GROUPS, 1890 TO 1916.

[Compiled from data furnished by the Department of Labor, Canada.]

[Average prices 1890-1899=100.]

	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
Grains and fodder.....	116.7	123.9	106.7	99.1	94.3	98.8	85.2	80.6	98.8
Animals and meats.....	111.2	104.7	108.5	117.7	98.7	92.2	82.4	90.4	97.9
Dairy produce.....	103.0	106.2	105.8	110.4	104.6	94.8	90.1	90.1	92.9
Fish.....	103.3	97.3	90.6	99.7	96.4	101.4	102.6	98.6	99.6
Other foods.....	120.3	121.3	104.7	102.1	95.0	95.2	87.1	86.0	94.3
Textiles.....	111.4	104.2	102.2	101.2	97.3	93.6	96.9	98.0	95.2
Hides, leather, boots.....	100.6	102.6	99.8	101.8	89.9	98.6	92.9	100.1	105.0
Metals and implements:									
Metals.....	125.4	114.4	107.6	102.1	91.1	87.0	87.5	85.7	87.6
Implements.....	103.8	103.2	102.9	102.6	102.2	101.0	98.5	93.1	94.3
Fuel and lighting.....	107.4	106.7	106.6	102.9	97.5	97.0	98.9	96.4	93.5
Building materials:									
Lumber.....	103.5	102.7	104.4	103.7	104.6	102.8	97.1	93.9	90.8
Miscellaneous.....	117.6	110.4	106.8	103.7	98.7	95.2	93.9	87.7	87.4
Paints, oils, glass.....	109.5	103.8	98.2	98.6	95.5	96.1	96.2	95.5	100.0
House furnishings.....	100.2	100.5	100.9	101.1	101.3	97.9	97.5	99.8	99.6
Drugs and chemicals.....	110.5	110.3	104.4	104.4	103.1	100.3	99.8	96.5	96.8
Miscellaneous:									
Furs.....	86.5	99.7	103.7	123.6	113.5	80.5	80.7	88.0	111.1
Liquors and tobaccos.....	94.9	99.0	99.7	99.4	98.7	99.4	98.0	103.9	103.9
Sundry.....	112.0	106.7	98.9	100.3	93.7	91.3	92.6	91.2	103.3
Total.....	110.3	108.5	102.8	102.5	97.2	95.6	92.5	92.2	96.1

	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907
Grains and fodder.....	96.7	99.9	107.3	110.1	106.5	115.5	116.4	118.5	140.2
Animals and meats.....	95.1	103.4	111.3	122.2	117.9	111.3	120.7	130.1	133.8
Dairy produce.....	101.4	109.0	120.5	106.9	108.9	107.2	115.1	120.2	131.5
Fish.....	110.0	106.4	113.2	110.2	116.2	119.5	115.7	121.8	129.5
Other foods.....	93.6	96.4	98.6	98.4	98.1	101.8	100.7	103.1	112.5
Textiles.....	99.8	100.0	103.6	101.0	105.9	110.4	114.6	123.4	126.1
Hides, leather, boots.....	109.4	113.8	112.8	118.2	115.7	113.6	119.6	128.1	125.5
Metals and implements:									
Metals.....	111.9	121.2	110.4	102.8	105.5	99.7	108.4	128.6	134.8
Implements.....	98.0	100.1	102.2	104.7	105.7	106.2	106.1	106.0	107.1
Fuel and lighting.....	96.9	100.8	98.1	104.9	111.0	103.0	104.1	106.4	108.8
Building materials:									
Lumber.....	95.8	114.0	114.6	122.0	128.8	131.3	134.1	152.7	165.2
Miscellaneous.....	97.2	111.8	106.0	104.6	107.7	107.2	106.8	104.7	108.7
Paints, oils, glass.....	107.6	125.9	121.9	128.1	126.3	122.4	125.3	135.3	141.2
House furnishings.....	100.2	110.2	107.9	109.2	109.6	112.7	107.3	113.0	112.7
Drugs and chemicals.....	93.3	101.5	99.8	102.2	105.5	109.0	106.4	106.3	108.5
Miscellaneous:									
Furs.....	111.8	147.3	140.9	145.2	168.1	171.3	217.4	229.2	239.4
Liquors and tobaccos.....	102.3	103.3	103.3	103.7	107.0	107.8	108.1	108.1	125.5
Sundry.....	109.5	113.0	110.9	116.8	115.9	119.1	121.1	120.9	123.0
Total.....	100.1	108.2	107.0	109.0	110.5	111.4	113.8	120.0	126.2

	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
Grains and fodder.....	148.3	149.9	140.7	148.4	167.3	136.8	156.5	186.9	195.2
Animals and meats.....	129.6	148.6	163.6	146.6	160.8	180.8	192.3	187.2	217.7
Dairy produce.....	136.3	133.6	135.7	136.2	159.0	154.7	154.4	161.4	183.5
Fish.....	120.5	134.0	145.1	143.6	155.7	158.0	156.0	149.7	184.8
Other foods.....	110.3	107.6	111.3	118.7	128.0	117.4	118.8	125.2	156.2
Textiles.....	111.0	108.3	114.6	119.2	120.7	130.8	133.5	149.2	193.4
Hides, leather, boots.....	120.0	135.4	135.4	139.6	152.4	163.9	171.8	180.5	233.4
Metals and implements:									
Metals.....	106.3	101.9	97.6	108.3	117.4	119.1	113.9	152.4	198.9
Implements.....	104.2	102.4	104.5	104.5	104.7	105.6	106.8	112.1	135.2
Fuel and lighting.....	102.2	103.8	103.0	100.5	113.3	118.2	110.9	108.8	132.5
Building materials:									
Lumber.....	162.6	154.6	158.5	165.4	166.5	181.3	182.1	175.7	182.1
Miscellaneous.....	107.5	105.7	109.2	102.6	105.4	112.7	111.4	115.9	154.9
Paints, oils, glass.....	136.8	135.2	145.5	154.5	148.6	144.8	140.8	157.1	200.5
House furnishings.....	112.8	110.4	110.6	110.4	114.5	126.2	129.3	136.5	157.1
Drugs and chemicals.....	107.1	103.9	109.5	112.1	116.5	113.3	120.1	181.3	252.2
Miscellaneous:									
Furs.....	231.8	227.2	234.5	252.9	297.3	307.9	205.4	161.9	299.8
Liquors and tobaccos.....	118.0	117.5	132.9	151.2	155.2	134.7	136.9	135.6	142.4
Sundry.....	117.6	121.6	118.0	110.3	104.3	113.1	108.5	116.6	143.0
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