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in 55 Cities**

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The SECRETARY OF LABOR:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a bulletin summarizing data on retail prices of residential heating fuels from 1941 through 1948 and certain supplementary data for earlier years. Preliminary mimeographed reports are issued monthly, giving the current indexes and monthly prices from the retail price series maintained by the Bureau. These reports are available to persons needing them, upon request to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Retail Prices of Residential Heating Fuel, 1941-48

This bulletin contains retail prices and indexes for locally important residential heating fuels in 55 cities of the United States from 1939 through June 1947, and for 34 of these cities in 1948. For each city, average retail prices for June and December of each year (tables 6 and 7) are shown for anthracite, bituminous coal, coke, kerosene, fuel oil, wood, briquets, and gas. These local quotations are the basis for index numbers of composite prices from 1939 through June 1947 for all fuels for each city and the 55 cities combined (table 1), and for each of several selected fuels (table 2). Tables 3 and 4 show index numbers of composite average retail prices for anthracite and bituminous coal from 1913 through 1948; table 5 contains the corresponding composite average prices by years from 1939 through 1948 and by months from 1941 through 1948. Each table is preceded by a detailed description of its contents.

Prices of fuel wood, coke, fuel oil, kerosene, and gas for space heating—from March 1939 through December 1941—are presented for the first time in this bulletin. Prices from 1942 through 1948 are final figures for June and December of each year for data previously released as preliminary in the monthly mimeographed report "Retail Prices of Fuel by Cities."¹ Thus the data in this publication together with the information on coal prices contained in Retail Prices, (Serial Nos. R. 1085, R. 1264, and Bull. No. 707) make available a general history of retail prices for all locally important fuels during the years 1939 through 1948.

¹ Fuels which may have become locally unimportant and those that may be represented adequately for time comparisons by another similar fuel, have been excluded from this bulletin though they may have appeared in preliminary reports. For example, the mimeographed reports may contain city prices for kerosene, range oil, and No. 1 fuel oil, whereas this bulletin generally includes prices for only one of these fuels in the same city.

Collection and Publication of Retail Prices for Fuels

Retail prices for fuels have been collected for many years in a number of cities, including the 34 represented in the consumers' price index. Coal prices were first collected on a periodic basis in 1911 when quotations were also obtained back to 1907. Prices for coke, briquets, and petroleum fuels generally start from 1937, and those for residential space heating gas from 1939. Changes have been made over the years in the frequency of collection, in the methods of computation of average prices, in the number of cities in which retail prices have been collected, and in the kinds of fuel priced in each city.

Coal

Prior to 1912, no Bureau publication contained any information on retail prices of coal. Retail Prices, 1890 to 1911 (Bull. No. 105) issued prior to the periodic reports on retail prices, contained prices for anthracite and bituminous coal for household use from 1907 through 1911. Like other retail prices, these were collected as of the fifteenth of the month, but were for quarterly periods from 1907 through 1913. Since then, the frequency of collection has varied as indicated in the following statement.

January 1907–October 1913.....	Quarterly
January 1914–January 1920.....	Semiannually
	January and July
June 1920–July 1935.....	Monthly
October 1935–September 1940.....	Quarterly
Beginning October 1940.....	Monthly

The number of cities in which coal prices have been collected regularly varied widely since 1911.

As of December 1948, coal prices were collected in 31 cities.² The tabulation below showing cities in which retail coal prices have been collected excludes the few communities surveyed for special purposes at irregular intervals.

² See introduction to table 2 for details of kinds of coal and the cities in which prices were collected.

<i>Region and city</i>	<i>Date of first report</i>	<i>Kind of coal ¹</i>	<i>Region and city</i>	<i>Date of first report</i>	<i>Kind of coal ¹</i>
NEW ENGLAND			SOUTH ATLANTIC		
Boston	January 1907	A-B	Atlanta	January 1913	B
Bridgeport ²	January 1917	A	Baltimore	January 1907	A-B
Fall River ²	January 1907	A-B	Charleston, S. C. ²	January 1913	B
Manchester	January 1907	A-B	Jacksonville	January 1907	B
New Haven ²	January 1907	A	Norfolk	January 1918	B
Portland, Maine	January 1918	A-B	Richmond	January 1907	B
Providence ²	January 1907	A-B	Savannah	January 1920	B
MIDDLE ATLANTIC			Washington	January 1907	A-B
Buffalo	January 1907	A-B	Winston-Salem ²	June 1940	B
Newark ²	January 1907	A	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL		
New York	January 1907	A-B	Birmingham	January 1907	B
Philadelphia	January 1907	A	Louisville ²	January 1907	B
Pittsburgh	January 1907	A-B	Memphis	January 1907	B
Rochester ²	July 1916	A-B	Mobile	January 1918	B
Scranton	January 1913	A	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL		
EAST NORTH CENTRAL			Dallas ⁴	January 1907	B
Chicago	January 1907	A-B	Houston ⁵	January 1918	B
Cincinnati	January 1907	A-B	Little Rock ⁶	July 1911	A-B
Cleveland	January 1907	B	New Orleans	January 1907	B
Columbus, Ohio ²	July 1916	B	MOUNTAIN		
Detroit	January 1907	A-B	Butte ²	January 1915	B
Indianapolis	January 1907	A-B	Cheyenne ²	June 1940	B
Milwaukee	January 1907	A-B	Denver	January 1907	B
Peoria ²	January 1918	B	Phoenix ⁷	June 1940	A-B
Springfield, Ill. ²	July 1914	B	Salt Lake City ²	January 1907	B
WEST NORTH CENTRAL			PACIFIC		
Des Moines ²	June 1940	B	Los Angeles ⁸	January 1907	B
Kansas City	January 1907	B	Portland, Oreg.	January 1913	B
Minneapolis	January 1907	A-B	San Francisco ⁹	January 1907	B
Omaha ²	January 1907	B	Seattle	January 1907	B
St. Louis	January 1907	A-B			
St. Paul ²	July 1913	B			
Wichita ²	June 1940	B			

¹ As of December 1948 or date of last report.

A=Anthracite.

B=Bituminous.

² Discontinued after June 1947.

³ Discontinued after May 1946.

⁴ Discontinued after April 1945.

⁵ Discontinued after December 1945.

⁶ Discontinued after October 1940.

⁷ Discontinued after September 1941.

⁸ Discontinued after March 1946.

⁹ Discontinued after June 1946.

Until 1917, the Bureau published prices of various sizes and grades of coal reported by individual firms, and indexes of average prices in each city and in all cities combined. Indexes for each of five geographic regions were computed from 1907 to 1913. The base for the indexes was changed from time to time, the years 1907, 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916 having been used for this purpose. The data for the years 1907 through 1916 appear in Retail Prices (Bull. Nos. 105-Part II, 106-Part II, 108, 110, 113, 115, 125, 132, 138, 140, 156, 184, 197, and 228).

After 1917, average prices by cities for specified sizes of anthracite and bituminous coal were computed and published instead of prices of individual firms. These prices are arithmetic averages of all quotations reported from each city for 1-ton lots delivered at the curb, or into the bin if at no extra charge. This method of computing averages for each city is still used. Average prices from 1913 to 1919, inclusive, were first computed by this method and published in Retail Prices (Bull. No. 270).

Until 1937, average prices were published only for stove and chestnut sizes of Pennsylvania anthracite and for three categories of bituminous coal, i. e., high volatile prepared sizes (combined), low volatile prepared sizes (combined), and low volatile domestic run of mine. Average prices were shown until 1946 for Colorado, Arkansas, and New Mexico anthracite in cities where these coals were important. From 1937 through 1948, average prices were published for each of the following grades and sizes in cities where they were consumed in substantial quantities:

1. Pennsylvania anthracite
 - a. Chestnut
 - b. Stove
 - c. Pea
 - d. Buckwheat No. 1
2. Bituminous coal
 - a. Low volatile lump, egg, stove, nut, stoker, and domestic run of mine
 - b. Eastern high volatile lump, egg, stove, nut, and stoker
 - c. Western high volatile lump, egg, stove, nut, and stoker

Monthly mimeographed reports containing preliminary data also include prices for commercial sizes of anthracite and bituminous coal sold by

retailers, such as anthracite buckwheat No. 2, but these are not included among the residential heating fuels tabulated in this bulletin (table 6).

The publications in which coal prices and indexes have been published since 1913 are as follows:

Bulletin No.	Indexes and composite prices	Period covered ¹
		Average prices by city
270	Semiannually: 1913-19	Semiannually: 1913-19
300	Semiannually: 1913-19	Monthly: January and June-December 1920
	Monthly: January and June-December 1920	
315	Semiannually: 1913-19	Monthly: 1921
	Monthly: 1920-21	
334	Semiannually: 1913-19	Monthly: 1922
	Monthly: 1920-22	
366	Semiannually: 1913-19	Annual average: 1913
	Monthly: 1920-23	Monthly: 1923
396	Semiannually: 1913-19	Monthly: 1923-24
	June 1920	
	Monthly: July 1920-December 1924	
418	Semiannually: 1913-23	Annual average: 1913
	Monthly: 1924-25	Monthly: 1924-25
445	Semiannually: 1913-24	Annual average: 1913
	Monthly: 1925-26	Monthly: 1925-26
464	Semiannually: 1913-25	Annual average: 1913
	Monthly: 1926-27	Monthly: 1926-27
495	Semiannually: 1913-26	Monthly: 1927-28
	Monthly: 1927-28	
<i>Serial No.</i>		
R. 701	Annually: 1929-37	Quarterly: 1936-37
	Quarterly: 1936-37	
R. 886	Annually: 1929-38	Quarterly: 1937-38
	Quarterly: 1937-38	
R. 1085	Annually: 1929-39	Quarterly: 1938-39
	Quarterly: 1938-39	
R. 1264	Annually: 1929-40	Quarterly: January-September 1940
	Quarterly: 1939-September 1940	Monthly: October-December 1940
	Monthly: October-December 1940	
<i>Bulletin No.</i>		
707	Annually: 1929-41	Monthly: December 1940-41
	Quarterly: January 1940-September 1940	
	Monthly: October 1940-December 1941	

¹ From 1929 to 1936, prices were published in the Bureau pamphlets, "Retail Prices" at monthly or quarterly intervals, according to frequency of price collection. Annual prices for this period may be found in Bulletin No. 707.

Other Fuels

Collection of prices for coke and briquets generally began in March 1937. Prices reported for most cities were for egg size coke and bituminous

briquets. Retail prices for coke or briquets in 17 specified cities, quarterly, March 1937 through March 1939, are available in mimeographed form (LS47-3462).

Retail prices for petroleum fuels in 24 cities were first collected and published in the monthly reports beginning with March 15, 1937. The number of cities was increased to 29 in 1939 and to 36 in 1940. Prices from March 1937 were obtained in these 12 additional cities. Collection of retail prices for No. 5 and No. 6 fuel oil was begun in 1944, and their average prices, not included in this bulletin, have been shown in the monthly mimeographed reports since October 1946.

The list of cities covered, with the years for which petroleum fuel prices were first collected, follows:

1937:

Baltimore	Milwaukee	Philadelphia
Boston	Minneapolis	Portland, Maine
Bridgeport ¹	Newark ¹	Providence ¹
Chicago	New Haven ¹	Richmond
Cleveland	New Orleans	Rochester ¹
Detroit	New York	St. Louis
Fall River ¹	Norfolk	St. Paul ¹
Manchester	Omaha ¹	Washington

1939:

Des Moines ¹	Jacksonville	San Francisco
Kansas City	Savannah	

1940:

Buffalo	Louisville ¹	Salt Lake City ¹
Charleston, S. C. ¹	Portland, Oreg.	Seattle
Denver		

¹ Discontinued after June 1947.

Retail prices for selected petroleum heating fuels in 22 specified cities, quarterly, March 1937

through March 1939, are available in mimeographed form (LS47-3465).

Although retail prices of wood fuel were collected annually beginning with December 1914, these prices were used only in the calculations of the "Cost of living" indexes and not published until March 1937. Since March 1937, average wood fuel prices have appeared in the mimeographed report "Retail Prices of Fuel, by Cities." The only cities where prices were collected in which wood is still important are Portland, Oreg. and Seattle, Wash. Retail prices in these cities for wood from December 1917 through March 1939, and for sawdust from March 1937 through March 1939, are available in a specially prepared release (LS47-3464). Prices for subsequent periods through December 1948 are contained in this bulletin (p. 21).

In 1944, weighted average prices for gas used in residential heating were computed for each of the 27 cities listed below for the period 1939-44. These average price series have been continued and have been published on a preliminary basis in the monthly fuel reports since April 1946.

Cities in Which Residential Heating Gas Prices Were Collected, 1939-48

Atlanta	Detroit	New Orleans
Butte ¹	Houston	Peoria ¹
Cheyenne ¹	Kansas City	Pittsburgh
Cincinnati	Little Rock ¹	Portland, Oreg.
Cleveland	Louisville ¹	Salt Lake City ¹
Columbus, Ohio ¹	Los Angeles	San Francisco
Dallas ¹	Memphis	Springfield, Ill. ¹
Denver	Minneapolis	Washington
Des Moines ¹	Mobile	Wichita ¹

¹ Discontinued after the computation of data for June 1947.

Average Retail Price Indexes for Residential Heating Fuels

By City

The indexes, computed quarterly from March 1939 through September 1940 and monthly from October 1940 through June 1947, are presented in table 1 for June and December of these years. They are based on the weighted average of retail prices for all residential heating fuels important in each of 55 cities, and in the 55 cities combined for March, June, September, and December 1939. The cities and the fuels used in the computation

of these indexes are listed on page 7. The specifications on which the prices are based are described in the introduction to table 6 (see p. 12). The indexes are of the fixed base weighted aggregative type, with the weights used representative of 1939-40 patterns of fuel consumption. The weights are derived from quantity data collected by the Bituminous Coal Division, the U. S. Bureau of Mines, the Fuel Oil Ration Division of the Office of Price Administration, the Pennsylvania State Department of Mines, and respondent gas utilities.

TABLE 1.—Residential heating fuels: Indexes of average retail prices for 55 cities, 1939-June 1947

[1939=100]

Date	55 cities combined	Boston	Bridgeport	Fall River	Manchester	New Haven	Portland, Maine	Providence	Buffalo	Newark	New York	Philadelphia	Rochester	Scranton
1939: June.....	96.8	95.0	94.2	96.7	96.4	94.6	94.6	93.4	97.7	95.6	96.0	97.6	96.8	98.1
December.....	102.5	104.7	107.8	102.5	108.5	108.9	108.8	107.2	103.6	105.5	102.6	100.6	102.4	99.4
1940: June.....	101.7	105.0	108.2	105.0	110.2	110.2	110.1	108.5	100.8	104.5	106.3	100.9	100.6	99.6
December.....	105.5	110.1	107.6	112.0	114.1	112.6	112.6	109.0	105.6	108.5	110.7	104.8	104.3	102.9
1941: June.....	105.4	109.0	109.8	108.0	112.8	109.1	110.2	106.6	107.0	110.4	109.7	107.0	105.5	103.6
December.....	111.1	115.1	114.0	115.6	116.4	118.2	114.1	110.5	114.4	116.0	115.4	116.2	111.4	109.3
1942: June.....	113.1	118.0	120.1	126.4	121.8	123.2	120.5	117.2	116.6	119.0	118.8	117.7	114.0	109.3
December.....	116.5	125.0	133.7	141.1	132.7	132.2	129.7	129.9	119.7	126.0	124.0	119.2	118.1	109.3
1943: June.....	120.2	130.2	141.0	147.6	138.5	139.7	135.9	135.1	123.3	129.9	130.2	125.1	123.0	117.9
December.....	122.9	131.8	142.8	148.1	139.5	140.5	137.4	135.6	126.5	131.9	135.7	130.2	127.7	127.8
1944: June.....	123.6	132.6	144.3	149.5	139.4	142.1	137.2	138.9	127.2	132.5	135.6	131.1	126.8	129.2
December.....	123.5	133.0	144.5	149.4	139.4	142.0	137.2	138.9	125.8	132.8	136.2	133.0	127.0	129.2
1945: June.....	124.4	132.7	144.3	149.6	139.4	142.0	137.3	139.0	126.4	132.8	136.3	132.5	127.4	129.2
December.....	122.6	125.6	126.4	132.5	125.2	130.4	124.8	129.5	127.7	134.7	140.4	147.4	127.7	144.4
1946: June.....	127.0	130.0	133.0	137.6	130.8	135.2	129.7	127.4	132.0	131.3	139.5	143.8	130.2	145.9
December.....	138.5	141.9	149.7	149.1	144.9	149.2	143.3	139.2	149.0	145.2	154.1	158.2	146.6	164.4
1947: June.....	143.7	146.6	151.8	157.7	152.7	151.6	151.3	148.6	152.2	147.7	155.4	156.9	148.4	158.0
	Pittsburgh	Chicago	Cincinnati	Cleveland	Columbus, Ohio	Detroit	Indianapolis	Milwaukee	Peoria	Springfield, Ill.	Des Moines	Kansas City	Minneapolis	St. Paul
1939: June.....	99.4	95.8	95.6	97.1	102.8	97.6	96.9	98.7	99.1	101.2	97.4	99.0	99.4	98.3
December.....	100.8	102.5	102.7	97.7	104.2	101.3	102.1	103.9	102.8	101.2	101.3	100.9	99.9	99.9
1940: June.....	99.8	98.1	97.0	93.7	101.5	98.0	96.8	99.8	102.0	101.2	99.5	100.0	99.9	99.8
December.....	101.0	103.3	102.9	99.6	108.3	102.2	106.1	104.3	108.1	88.0	104.3	103.1	100.3	100.4
1941: June.....	103.0	102.3	101.5	98.8	108.6	109.3	106.1	103.9	109.6	90.3	106.9	103.8	99.3	99.3
December.....	107.1	107.7	109.8	104.0	115.5	119.8	112.5	110.4	113.7	91.5	109.5	106.6	102.4	103.1
1942: June.....	107.0	108.0	106.4	104.1	115.4	120.1	110.5	110.5	115.9	90.1	109.7	107.2	102.5	103.2
December.....	109.0	108.0	107.4	104.8	116.6	121.0	110.8	110.5	114.6	91.9	109.7	107.4	104.1	105.1
1943: June.....	109.9	111.2	109.9	107.0	122.0	124.0	118.8	115.9	120.6	97.8	114.3	110.2	109.4	112.1
December.....	112.0	112.7	112.2	109.0	124.5	128.0	120.9	119.4	123.1	97.8	120.3	111.1	109.8	112.7
1944: June.....	112.7	113.7	113.2	109.9	125.7	130.2	121.1	120.2	123.1	101.6	124.8	112.5	110.9	114.0
December.....	112.8	114.0	113.3	110.8	125.8	126.4	121.5	120.9	124.4	105.7	124.8	112.3	108.7	114.0
1945: June.....	113.9	115.2	115.5	113.1	128.7	132.1	124.2	121.7	128.9	106.9	124.7	113.7	108.1	115.1
December.....	114.3	115.9	116.6	113.7	129.0	132.9	124.6	124.3	130.2	107.8	124.7	114.7	108.6	115.9
1946: June.....	117.2	121.3	122.7	117.9	133.4	136.5	126.2	131.0	132.2	113.0	128.0	117.1	111.1	120.0
December.....	121.4	132.7	125.9	123.5	141.6	146.5	128.2	138.4	155.9	119.1	130.9	126.4	118.9	130.0
1947: June.....	128.2	143.9	130.5	127.0	145.9	154.4	144.3	145.4	159.5	125.6	145.7	132.5	128.9	143.0

TABLE 1.—*Residential heating fuels: Indexes of average retail prices for 55 cities, 1939–June 1947—Continued*

(1939=100)

Date	Atlanta	Balti- more	Charles- ton, S. C.	Jackson- ville	Norfolk	Rich- mond	Savan- nah	Wash- ington	Wins- ton- Salem	Birming- ham	Louis- ville	Mem- phis	Mobile	New Orleans
1939: June.....	93.9	96.3	103.6	98.4	97.1	95.4	99.9	97.5	94.6	93.0	98.9	99.3	99.6	99.8
December.....	103.3	102.6	99.3	104.9	103.4	103.2	100.0	103.8	102.3	99.2	101.3	99.9	101.9	100.2
1940: June.....	93.5	102.9	102.4	104.6	86.3	98.4	103.3	101.5	94.0	94.7	99.9	94.8	99.8	99.6
December.....	97.9	109.0	101.4	104.9	106.0	104.0	105.3	106.2	101.8	106.6	108.1	95.0	102.8	98.5
1941: June.....	93.9	107.2	106.5	104.9	107.8	103.7	105.1	105.0	94.4	111.7	110.2	95.0	101.3	92.0
December.....	106.6	111.6	109.6	105.6	115.2	110.3	113.3	109.3	102.0	126.3	115.7	99.0	106.0	86.9
1942: June.....	105.4	117.0	115.8	131.8	120.1	115.4	115.2	114.0	101.5	123.9	116.0	98.8	104.6	86.4
December.....	106.0	125.6	125.0	123.6	128.4	120.7	121.5	121.5	101.6	126.5	115.8	99.2	106.0	87.0
1943: June.....	108.7	130.4	128.1	126.2	133.1	124.9	127.0	125.2	104.4	132.8	121.9	101.1	107.1	86.7
December.....	111.0	132.5	128.7	126.3	134.4	127.4	129.2	126.9	107.1	137.2	125.1	101.5	103.3	86.7
1944: June.....	112.0	132.5	128.8	126.3	135.0	126.4	129.2	126.8	110.0	143.2	126.2	102.1	103.7	86.8
December.....	112.2	132.6	125.7	120.2	135.2	126.4	126.2	126.7	109.1	144.1	126.2	102.5	96.5	86.8
1945: June.....	112.0	132.9	125.9	120.2	136.4	128.0	126.3	127.1	113.8	153.3	128.8	103.5	96.5	84.0
December.....	112.2	122.2	114.0	107.9	123.3	120.0	119.7	117.4	114.4	153.9	128.5	103.8	96.4	83.9
1946: June.....	114.6	127.6	118.3	114.1	130.2	127.4	123.9	121.6	118.0	169.5	134.4	104.6	99.1	89.3
December.....	130.7	140.8	128.4	134.5	140.9	134.9	140.8	132.1	123.9	174.4	145.8	109.7	100.6	97.9
1947: June.....	132.5	147.8	137.2	146.9	150.6	142.8	151.5	138.6	132.1	179.5	152.5	113.1	102.5	102.0
	Omaha	St. Louis	Wichita	Dallas	Hous- ton	Little Rock	Butte	Denver	Salt Lake City	Chey- enne	Los Angeles	Port- land, Oreg.	San Fran- cisco	Seattle
1939: June.....	99.5	93.2	99.8	100.0	99.7	100.0	100.0	99.8	100.8	99.4	101.3	97.9	100.4	99.8
December.....	101.0	102.3	100.5	100.0	99.0	100.0	100.0	99.8	99.8	99.0	98.7	101.0	99.6	99.5
1940: June.....	100.3	96.7	100.3	100.0	96.8	100.0	100.3	100.1	99.5	99.2	98.7	97.9	99.6	104.1
December.....	102.0	104.3	101.6	100.0	96.8	82.5	100.3	101.1	102.8	102.8	98.7	99.3	91.6	103.7
1941: June.....	102.2	102.0	101.6	100.0	96.8	82.5	100.3	100.3	102.9	102.8	96.0	97.7	91.6	105.2
December.....	106.8	110.9	103.4	100.1	97.0	82.5	100.8	102.3	106.7	103.9	96.0	105.7	92.2	107.6
1942: June.....	106.8	110.1	103.3	81.9	94.9	82.5	100.8	102.9	107.0	104.0	96.0	111.3	90.0	108.9
December.....	107.2	111.3	103.3	81.9	93.0	82.5	100.9	104.3	107.5	104.0	96.0	119.3	90.0	109.4
1943: June.....	99.3	114.4	105.0	81.9	88.1	82.5	101.3	107.0	111.2	107.6	96.0	121.5	87.7	113.1
December.....	102.7	118.1	106.8	81.9	88.2	82.5	101.8	113.7	112.1	108.9	96.0	121.5	87.5	113.9
1944: June.....	103.2	119.5	106.8	82.0	88.2	82.5	101.6	114.7	112.1	110.1	96.0	121.5	87.8	115.0
December.....	104.3	119.7	106.6	82.0	88.2	82.5	102.2	114.8	112.1	110.6	96.0	121.5	87.8	116.5
1945: June.....	106.3	121.0	109.6	82.0	88.2	84.2	102.7	115.6	116.1	114.1	96.0	125.1	88.0	117.0
December.....	106.5	122.4	108.4	82.0	88.2	84.2	102.9	112.4	116.1	115.0	96.0	123.2	88.0	113.9
1946: June.....	111.6	126.7	110.1	82.0	90.1	84.2	103.0	113.7	119.0	112.8	96.0	135.7	86.6	125.9
December.....	118.0	138.5	108.5	82.0	90.1	84.2	105.3	121.6	120.9	115.0	96.0	153.3	93.7	143.6
1947: June.....	128.6	144.0	132.7	82.0	90.1	84.2	105.2	123.5	128.2	118.0	96.0	161.1	100.6	152.6

By Selected Fuels

Four fuel groups are represented in these indexes: Gas, petroleum fuels, coke and coal, and wood. No group was included in the computation of the city index when it was used by less than 10 percent of the dwelling units in a city (using U. S. Census Bureau data for 1940). Exceptions were made for fuel oil and gas in some cities in which permanent growth beyond the 10 percent minimum was evident in 1944. Allowances have been made for permanent subsequent changes from the 1939–40 patterns; for example, St. Louis shifted from high volatile bituminous

coal to low volatile fuels because of the passage of an antismoke ordinance in 1939.

In computing these indexes the same individual price series, fuel groups, weights, and base period were employed as for the calculations of the composite retail price indexes for residential heating fuels shown in table 1. In any month when the sample was affected by a change in the number of cities or reporters, adjustments were made so that the index numbers were based on comparable data. The fuels in each city selected for computation of these indexes are indicated by X's in the following tabulation. The date when a series was discontinued is shown by footnote.

City	Anthracite				Bituminous coal		Coke	Petroleum fuels		Gas
	All sizes	Chestnut	Pea	Buckwheat, No. 1	All sizes	Large domestic sizes ¹	Egg or nut	Kerosene, range oil, fuel oil, No. 1	Fuel oil, No. 2, No. 3	For residential space heating
NEW ENGLAND:										
Boston.....	X	X	² X	X	X		X	X	X	
Bridgeport ³	X	X	⁴ X	X				X	X	
Fall River ²	X	X	⁴ X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Manchester.....	X	X	⁶ X	X	X		⁷ X	X	X	
New Haven ²	X	X	⁸ X	X			⁹ X	X	X	
Portland, Maine.....	X	X	⁴ X	X	X			X	X	
Providence ²	X	X	⁸ X	X	X			X	X	
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:										
Buffalo.....	X	X	⁴ X	⁴ X	X	X	X	X	X	
Newark ²	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	
New York.....	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Philadelphia.....			X	X	⁴ X		X	X	X	
Pittsburgh.....	¹⁰ X	¹⁰ X			X	X				X
Rochester ²	X	X	X	⁴ X	⁴ X	⁴ X		X	X	
Scranton.....	X	X	X	X						
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:										
Chicago.....	⁴ X	⁴ X	⁴ X		X	X	X	X	X	
Cincinnati.....					X	X				X
Cleveland.....	¹¹ X	¹¹ X			X	X				X
Columbus, Ohio ²					X	X				X
Detroit.....	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Indianapolis.....					X	X				
Milwaukee.....	X	X	X	⁴ X	X	X	X	X	X	
Peoria ²					X	X				X
Springfield, Ill. ²					X	X				X
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:										
Des Moines ²					X	X		X	X	X
Kansas City.....					X	X		X	X	X
Minneapolis.....	¹² X	¹² X	¹² X		X	X		X	X	X
Omaha ²					X	X		X	X	
St. Louis.....	¹³ X	¹³ X			X	X	X			
St. Paul ²	¹² X	¹² X	¹² X		X	X		X	X	
Wichita ²					⁶ X	⁶ X				X
SOUTH ATLANTIC:										
Atlanta.....					X	X				X
Baltimore.....	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Charleston, S. C. ²					X	X		X	X	
Jacksonville.....					X	X		X	X	
Norfolk.....					X	X		X	X	
Richmond.....	⁴ X	⁴ X		⁴ X	X	X		X	X	
Savannah.....					X	X		X	X	
Washington.....	X	X	⁴ X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Winston-Salem ²					X	X				
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:										
Birmingham.....					X	X				X
Louisville ²					X	X				X
Memphis.....					X	X				X
Mobile.....					X	X				
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:										
Dallas ²					¹³ X	¹³ X				X
Houston.....					¹⁴ X	¹⁴ X				X
Little Rock ²										X
New Orleans.....					X	X		X	X	X
MOUNTAIN:										
Butte ²					X	X				X
Cheyenne ²					X	X				X
Denver.....					X	X				X
Salt Lake City ²					X	X				X
PACIFIC:										
Los Angeles.....										X
Portland, Oreg.....					¹⁵ X	¹⁵ X		X	X	X
San Francisco.....										X
Seattle.....					X	X		X	X	

¹ Sizes larger than stoker, pea, and run of mine.² Discontinued after July 1946.³ This city discontinued after the computation of data for June 1947.⁴ Discontinued after October 1946.⁵ Discontinued after November 1946.⁶ Discontinued after May 1946.⁷ Introduced June 1946.⁸ Discontinued after September 1946.⁹ Stove.¹⁰ Discontinued after February 1946.¹¹ Discontinued after December 1944.¹² Discontinued after April 1945.¹³ Discontinued after April 1946.¹⁴ Discontinued after December 1945.¹⁵ Discontinued after June 1946.

Table 2 contains index numbers for anthracite (3 sizes and all sizes combined), bituminous coal (all sizes and large domestic sizes), coke, petroleum (one series for kerosene or range oil or fuel

oil No. 1, and another for fuel oil No. 2 or No. 3), and gas used for residential space heating, quarterly, from March 1939 through September 1940 and monthly thereafter through June 1947.

TABLE 2.—Indexes of average retail prices for selected residential heating fuels, 1939–June 1947

[1939=100]

Year and month	Anthracite				Bituminous coal		Coke, egg, or nut	Petroleum fuels		Gas for residential space heating	All fuels
	All sizes	Chestnut	Pea	Buckwheat, No. 1	All sizes	Large domestic sizes ¹		Kerosene, range oil, fuel oil, No. 1	Fuel oil, No. 2, No. 3		
1939: March.....	103.8	104.7	103.2	101.4	102.3	102.6	104.4	100.6	99.3	100.5	101.9
June.....	97.7	97.4	97.7	99.3	96.6	96.3	94.2	97.0	95.6	100.3	96.8
September.....	98.3	98.2	98.4	99.3	98.9	98.9	98.2	97.7	99.8	99.6	98.8
December.....	100.2	99.8	100.7	100.0	102.2	102.1	103.1	104.7	105.3	99.6	102.5
Yearly average.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1940: March.....	104.8	105.0	106.5	103.2	102.1	102.2	105.1	106.6	109.2	99.2	104.7
June.....	103.0	101.9	104.2	105.2	97.9	97.2	98.7	105.2	105.5	99.2	101.7
September.....	105.9	105.3	108.0	105.7	99.9	99.4	104.2	101.5	98.8	99.2	101.7
October.....	106.4	106.0	108.5	105.7	102.2	101.8	106.2	101.8	99.0	98.9	102.6
November.....	107.6	106.8	109.8	107.8	103.0	102.7	107.2	103.2	103.0	97.9	104.0
December.....	107.7	107.0	110.3	107.8	103.3	103.0	107.5	106.4	108.3	97.8	105.5
Yearly average.....	105.9	105.3	107.9	105.9	101.4	101.1	104.8	104.1	104.0	98.7	103.4
1941: January.....	108.1	107.6	110.6	107.9	103.2	102.9	107.6	105.9	108.6	97.8	105.6
February.....	108.1	107.6	110.7	107.9	103.3	103.0	108.3	103.6	104.8	97.5	104.6
March.....	108.1	107.6	110.7	107.9	103.3	103.0	108.3	101.5	100.5	97.3	103.5
April.....	108.1	107.6	110.7	107.9	103.2	102.9	107.2	101.3	103.0	97.3	103.8
May.....	108.0	107.4	110.6	107.9	103.7	102.9	106.3	98.2	98.2	97.3	104.9
June.....	107.5	106.6	109.6	109.2	104.4	103.6	108.8	103.8	108.1	97.3	105.4
July.....	110.3	109.6	113.6	110.4	107.3	106.3	112.9	105.3	108.0	97.3	107.2
August.....	112.5	112.2	116.8	111.0	109.9	108.9	115.6	104.6	110.6	97.5	109.2
September.....	114.4	114.3	119.9	111.5	110.9	110.1	116.6	106.0	111.8	97.4	110.4
October.....	114.8	114.8	120.1	111.6	111.7	110.9	118.8	106.5	112.5	97.1	111.0
November.....	114.2	114.5	119.3	110.7	111.9	111.2	119.5	106.4	112.0	97.1	111.0
December.....	114.2	114.5	119.3	110.7	112.2	111.5	119.9	106.1	111.9	97.1	111.1
Yearly average.....	110.7	110.4	114.3	109.5	107.1	106.4	112.5	104.5	107.5	97.3	107.3
1942: January.....	114.9	115.0	120.1	111.8	112.6	111.9	120.0	105.9	111.9	97.1	111.3
February.....	115.0	115.0	121.3	112.3	112.6	111.9	120.0	105.9	111.9	97.0	111.4
March.....	115.1	115.0	120.2	112.3	112.6	111.9	120.1	106.1	112.0	97.0	110.5
April.....	113.9	113.3	118.8	112.1	111.3	111.3	118.0	109.2	116.6	96.9	112.0
May.....	115.0	115.0	120.2	111.9	111.8	110.7	120.0	109.1	118.7	96.4	112.9
June.....	114.8	115.0	120.1	111.5	112.4	111.5	120.3	109.6	119.0	94.3	113.1
July.....	114.8	115.0	120.1	111.5	112.7	112.0	120.3	124.4	141.1	94.2	119.3
August.....	114.9	115.0	120.1	111.5	112.7	112.0	120.3	118.5	129.7	94.2	116.4
September.....	114.9	115.0	120.1	111.5	112.8	112.1	120.4	117.9	129.3	94.2	116.3
October.....	114.9	115.0	120.1	111.5	112.9	112.2	120.4	117.8	129.4	94.2	116.3
November.....	114.9	115.0	120.1	111.5	112.9	112.3	120.4	117.9	129.4	94.3	116.3
December.....	114.9	115.0	120.2	111.6	113.1	112.5	120.4	118.1	129.5	95.7	116.5
Yearly average.....	114.8	114.9	120.0	111.7	112.5	111.8	120.1	113.4	123.2	95.5	114.4
1943: January.....	121.3	120.9	127.9	118.4	114.5	113.7	120.6	122.3	133.5	95.7	119.7
February.....	121.2	121.0	127.2	118.2	115.2	114.5	120.6	122.6	133.7	95.5	120.0
March.....	121.2	120.9	127.5	118.4	117.0	116.0	120.6	123.5	133.7	95.2	120.5
April.....	121.3	121.1	127.6	118.4	117.3	116.3	120.6	125.0	134.0	95.2	120.7
May.....	121.3	121.2	127.4	118.4	117.8	116.9	120.7	125.1	134.0	95.2	120.3
June.....	121.2	121.0	127.3	118.4	117.7	116.8	120.7	125.1	134.0	95.2	120.2
July.....	120.9	120.8	127.1	117.9	117.7	116.8	120.7	125.1	134.0	95.2	120.1
August.....	120.9	120.8	127.0	117.9	117.8	117.0	120.7	125.2	134.0	95.2	120.1
September.....	120.9	120.8	127.0	117.9	117.9	117.0	120.7	125.2	134.0	95.1	120.1
October.....	121.0	120.9	127.1	117.9	117.9	117.0	120.7	125.2	134.0	95.1	120.1
November.....	122.6	121.8	129.0	120.9	117.9	117.1	120.7	125.2	134.0	95.1	120.5
December.....	129.2	128.1	136.7	127.9	120.4	118.5	123.7	125.1	134.0	95.1	122.9
Yearly average.....	121.9	121.6	128.2	119.2	117.4	116.5	120.9	124.5	133.9	95.2	120.4
1944: January.....	129.3	128.2	136.7	127.9	120.8	118.9	125.2	125.2	134.0	95.1	123.2
February.....	133.9	132.3	141.8	134.2	121.1	119.1	128.3	125.2	134.0	95.1	124.6
March.....	130.1	128.2	137.8	129.1	121.1	119.1	128.4	125.2	134.0	95.2	123.7
April.....	130.1	128.1	137.9	129.1	121.3	119.3	128.4	125.5	134.1	95.3	123.8
May.....	129.6	128.5	137.1	128.7	121.4	119.5	128.3	125.5	134.2	95.3	123.8
June.....	128.3	127.4	135.7	126.8	121.8	119.9	128.3	125.5	134.2	95.3	123.6
July.....	128.3	127.4	135.7	126.9	121.9	120.0	129.5	125.5	134.2	94.9	123.7
August.....	128.3	127.4	135.7	126.9	122.0	120.2	129.6	125.5	134.2	94.9	123.7
September.....	128.3	127.4	135.7	126.9	122.2	120.3	129.8	125.2	134.0	94.8	123.7
October.....	128.3	127.5	135.8	126.9	122.2	120.3	129.8	125.1	134.0	94.8	123.7
November.....	128.4	127.5	135.9	126.9	122.2	120.4	130.0	125.1	134.0	94.8	123.7
December.....	128.4	127.5	135.9	127.0	122.3	120.5	130.1	125.1	134.0	91.9	123.5
Yearly average.....	129.3	128.3	136.8	128.1	121.7	119.8	128.8	125.3	134.1	94.8	123.7

See footnote at end of table.

TABLE 2.—Indexes of average retail prices for selected residential heating fuels, 1939-June 1947—Continued

[1939=100]

Year and month	Anthracite				Bituminous coal		Coke, egg, or nut	Petroleum fuels		Gas for residential space heating	All fuels
	All sizes	Chestnut	Pea	Buckwheat, No. 1	All sizes	Large domestic sizes ¹		Kerosene, range oil, fuel oil, No. 1	Fuel oil, No. 2, No. 3		
1945: January.....	128.5	127.6	135.9	127.0	122.4	120.6	130.1	125.1	134.0	94.2	123.7
February.....	129.8	128.8	137.4	128.6	122.7	120.9	130.8	125.1	134.0	94.2	124.2
March.....	129.3	128.6	136.8	127.6	122.8	121.0	130.8	125.1	134.0	94.2	124.1
April.....	128.5	127.7	136.0	127.1	122.6	120.8	130.0	125.1	134.0	94.2	123.9
May.....	128.5	127.6	135.9	127.1	124.6	123.1	129.9	125.1	134.0	94.2	124.3
June.....	128.4	127.6	135.9	126.5	124.9	123.3	129.9	125.2	134.0	94.2	124.4
July.....	137.4	137.1	145.9	133.8	125.0	123.4	129.9	125.2	134.0	94.8	126.5
August.....	137.5	137.2	146.1	133.9	125.4	123.7	132.6	125.2	134.0	94.2	126.9
September.....	137.7	137.4	146.0	134.1	124.9	123.1	132.8	112.2	116.1	94.2	122.0
October.....	137.6	137.3	146.1	134.1	125.0	123.2	132.8	111.9	116.0	93.7	122.0
November.....	137.6	137.4	146.0	133.9	125.0	123.2	133.2	112.0	116.6	93.1	122.1
December.....	138.9	138.6	147.6	135.2	125.9	123.3	133.3	113.3	116.8	93.2	122.6
Yearly average.....	133.3	132.8	141.3	130.7	124.2	122.5	131.3	120.9	128.1	94.0	123.9
1946: January.....	140.4	139.9	149.3	137.0	125.9	124.5	134.5	117.0	119.0	93.1	124.2
February.....	141.2	140.5	150.4	137.8	126.0	124.5	135.4	119.7	123.6	93.3	125.7
March.....	141.2	140.5	150.5	137.8	126.0	124.6	135.4	120.0	124.7	93.4	126.0
April.....	141.1	140.5	150.3	137.9	126.0	124.6	135.4	120.1	124.8	93.4	126.8
May.....	141.2	140.6	150.5	138.0	127.2	125.5	135.7	120.3	124.9	92.8	126.4
June.....	141.2	140.6	150.5	138.0	129.1	127.4	136.5	120.3	124.9	92.8	127.0
July.....	153.1	152.4	163.5	149.0	133.3	131.4	146.0	120.7	125.3	92.8	131.9
August.....	153.2	152.4	163.5	149.3	133.3	131.5	146.5	128.6	135.1	92.7	134.8
September.....	155.9	154.9	166.5	152.5	135.3	133.5	149.0	128.7	136.1	92.7	136.4
October.....	155.6	154.8	166.1	151.9	135.5	133.5	149.6	129.6	136.2	92.8	136.5
November.....	155.6	154.8	166.1	151.9	135.8	133.9	149.8	129.8	135.1	92.8	136.4
December.....	155.7	154.9	166.1	151.9	138.2	136.0	150.5	134.5	139.3	93.4	138.5
Yearly average.....	147.9	147.2	157.8	144.4	131.0	129.2	142.0	124.1	129.1	93.0	130.9
1947: January.....	158.4	157.1	169.2	155.4	143.9	141.0	156.8	136.1	138.7	93.5	141.3
February.....	158.4	157.1	169.2	155.4	144.3	141.4	157.1	135.1	137.1	93.4	141.0
March.....	158.2	157.0	169.1	155.3	144.3	141.4	157.5	138.6	140.0	93.5	142.0
April.....	158.0	156.7	168.8	155.0	144.9	141.8	157.4	144.3	149.4	93.4	144.5
May.....	151.5	150.8	160.3	148.9	145.2	142.1	155.2	145.0	149.4	93.5	143.1
June.....	151.5	150.8	160.2	148.9	145.4	142.3	155.7	146.8	150.6	94.1	143.7

¹ Sizes larger than stoker, pea, and run of mine.

Anthracite Chestnut: Average Retail Price Indexes for Selected Cities Combined

Table 3 contains indexes of the retail prices of anthracite chestnut. The base period is October 1922–September 1925. The index numbers have been computed semiannually from January 1913 through January 1920, monthly from February 1920 through July 1935, quarterly from September 1935 through September 1940, and monthly from October 1940 through December 1948. Index numbers for periods earlier than 1929 are based on an unweighted average of quotations from a varying number of cities. For the years 1929 through 1948, fixed base aggregate indexes were calculated by multiplying arithmetic average prices from a selected group of cities by a quantity factor based

on rail shipments to each city during the 12 months beginning August 1, 1935. Adjustments have been made in the index numbers for changes in the composition of the sample. A complete discussion of the weighting factors and of the effect of their introduction has been published in Retail Prices, October 1936 (Serial No. R. 465). The number of cities was 25 through June 1944, 24 from July through December 1944, 23 from January 1945 through August 1946, 21 in September 1946, 20 in October and November 1946, 18 in December 1946, 17 in January 1947, 16 for February through July 1947, and 10 for August 1947 through December 1948.

TABLE 3.—Anthracite chestnut: Indexes of average retail prices per net ton (2,000 pounds) in selected cities combined, 1913–48

[October 1922–September 1925=100]

Year	Annual average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1913.....	(1)	50.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	48.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1914.....	(1)	50.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1915.....	(1)	50.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1916.....	(1)	50.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	52.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1917.....	(1)	57.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	58.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1918.....	(1)	63.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	65.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1919.....	(1)	75.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	75.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1920.....	(1)	80.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	89.8	91.1	93.4	100.2	101.0	102.5	102.0
1921.....	(1)	101.1	99.8	98.0	92.8	93.1	93.8	94.5	94.9	95.2	95.4	95.5	95.4
1922.....	(1)	94.5	94.3	94.2	94.2	94.2	94.4	94.5	(2)	97.6	97.7	98.2	100.8
1923.....	(1)	100.7	102.0	100.1	97.2	97.0	97.1	98.3	99.2	100.3	104.0	104.1	103.8
1924.....	(1)	103.2	102.7	102.3	97.1	97.3	98.2	98.6	99.0	100.4	100.7	100.8	101.6
1925.....	(1)	101.7	102.1	101.6	97.0	96.6	97.2	97.9	99.0	104.2	109.7	(2)	(2)
1926.....	(1)	(2)	(2)	106.4	102.6	102.2	102.2	102.3	102.3	102.5	102.5	102.7	102.8
1927.....	(1)	102.7	102.7	101.9	96.2	96.1	97.5	97.9	97.8	99.3	99.6	100.4	100.3
1928.....	(1)	100.2	100.2	100.2	95.4	95.1	96.5	96.8	96.9	98.6	98.8	99.2	99.3
1929.....	97.7	99.4	99.8	99.9	95.0	94.0	95.6	96.3	96.7	98.1	98.9	99.1	99.1
1930.....	97.3	99.2	99.1	99.1	99.1	93.1	93.2	95.0	95.8	98.1	98.5	98.8	98.8
1931.....	97.3	98.7	98.6	98.7	93.2	93.0	94.1	96.1	97.9	99.2	99.6	99.4	99.4
1932.....	88.7	99.4	99.3	92.4	84.2	83.5	84.0	84.2	85.5	87.3	88.1	88.5	88.4
1933.....	85.0	86.7	86.1	85.9	82.6	79.5	79.6	82.3	84.5	88.2	88.3	88.3	88.0
1934.....	85.0	88.4	88.6	88.5	82.5	80.8	81.1	82.3	83.7	86.3	86.3	85.2	85.8
1935.....	79.4	85.2	85.2	85.1	75.6	72.1	71.7	74.6	(2)	(2)	82.3	(2)	(2)
1936.....	82.7	83.8	(2)	(2)	82.8	(2)	(2)	79.8	(2)	82.8	(2)	(2)	84.2
1937.....	79.6	(2)	(2)	84.3	(2)	(2)	75.9	(2)	(2)	78.2	(2)	(2)	80.3
1938.....	79.1	(2)	(2)	80.5	(2)	(2)	75.7	(2)	(2)	78.4	(2)	(2)	81.8
1939.....	77.2	(2)	(2)	80.8	(2)	(2)	75.1	(2)	(2)	75.7	(2)	(2)	77.1
1940.....	80.8	(2)	(2)	81.0	(2)	(2)	78.6	(2)	(2)	81.2	81.7	82.3	82.5
1941.....	85.2	83.0	83.0	83.0	83.0	82.8	82.4	84.6	86.6	88.3	88.7	88.4	88.5
1942.....	88.7	88.8	88.9	88.9	87.5	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.9	88.9	88.9
1943.....	93.9	93.4	93.5	93.4	93.5	93.6	93.5	93.3	93.3	93.3	93.4	94.1	98.9
1944.....	99.2	99.1	102.3	99.9	99.9	99.3	98.6	98.5	98.5	98.5	98.6	98.6	98.7
1945.....	102.7	98.7	99.6	99.5	98.8	98.7	98.7	106.0	106.1	106.3	106.2	106.2	107.3
1946.....	113.8	108.2	108.6	108.6	108.5	108.7	108.8	117.9	118.0	119.8	119.6	119.6	119.6
1947.....	123.7	121.6	121.6	121.6	121.5	116.8	116.8	119.2	126.5	128.3	129.4	130.4	130.5
1948.....	138.3	131.9	132.1	132.1	132.0	132.4	134.7	137.1	144.9	145.4	145.5	145.5	145.5

1 Annual average indexes not computed for years prior to 1929.

2 Not collected.

3 Incomplete data.

Bituminous Coal: Average Retail Price Indexes for Selected Cities Combined

The unweighted average retail price for bituminous coal from October 1922 through September 1925 is the base for the index numbers shown in table 4. These indexes have been computed semi-annually from January 1913 through January 1920, monthly from February 1920 through July 1935, quarterly from September 1935 through September 1940, and monthly from October 1940 through December 1948. Adjustments were made when changes occurred during any month in the number of dealers reporting, the number of quota-

tions received, or the number of cities from which prices are collected, and the index numbers shown from period to period are comparable. The number of cities was 38 from March 1939 through August 1940, 37 for September and October 1940, 36 for November 1940, 35 for December 1940 through April 1945, 34 for May 1945 through August 1946, 32 for September 1946, 31 for October through December 1946, 30 for January through July 1947, and 21 for August 1947 through December 1948.

TABLE 4.—*Bituminous coal: Indexes of average retail prices per net ton (2,000 pounds) in selected cities combined, 1913-48*

[October 1922–September 1925=100]

Year	Annual average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1913.....	(1)	56.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	55.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1914.....	(1)	61.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	56.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1915.....	(1)	59.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	56.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1916.....	(1)	58.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	57.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1917.....	(1)	72.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	74.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1918.....	(1)	79.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	82.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1919.....	(1)	81.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	83.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
1920.....	(1)	91.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	105.4	109.1	114.2	125.4	129.3	129.6	127.2
1921.....	(1)	122.3	118.1	115.3	109.4	107.5	107.5	108.3	108.3	108.3	107.7	107.0	106.3
1922.....	(1)	102.3	100.4	100.5	99.5	98.3	98.0	98.2	(2)	114.6	116.5	117.1	116.2
1923.....	(1)	115.6	115.3	114.1	108.2	104.3	103.8	103.8	103.0	103.3	104.6	104.0	102.7
1924.....	(1)	100.9	101.4	98.6	94.3	91.9	91.5	92.5	89.3	91.9	95.1	96.2	96.0
1925.....	(1)	95.6	96.8	94.8	90.5	89.3	89.1	89.1	89.8	94.3	95.5	100.4	100.7
1926.....	(1)	100.8	100.5	95.7	94.2	90.6	89.7	90.0	91.1	95.7	99.2	105.9	105.0
1927.....	(1)	103.1	102.0	100.8	92.6	91.9	92.0	92.1	93.0	95.2	96.5	96.4	96.3
1928.....	(1)	96.2	96.0	95.8	92.5	89.9	90.2	89.9	90.5	91.4	92.7	93.5	94.2
1929.....	91.5	94.0	93.8	93.7	90.6	88.1	87.9	89.2	89.9	91.7	92.9	93.1	93.6
1930.....	91.3	94.2	93.5	93.3	91.4	88.2	88.3	89.5	90.0	90.9	91.8	92.5	92.5
1931.....	86.2	91.7	91.3	90.1	87.5	83.2	82.7	83.7	83.9	84.5	85.0	85.1	84.7
1932.....	79.7	84.5	84.2	82.8	81.2	78.6	77.9	77.6	77.8	78.0	78.6	78.5	77.7
1933.....	79.1	77.2	77.1	76.8	76.2	74.3	74.3	79.0	80.4	82.1	83.6	84.6	84.6
1934.....	85.4	85.2	85.0	85.1	84.6	84.1	84.6	85.1	85.8	85.9	86.4	86.4	86.5
1935.....	85.7	86.6	86.8	86.8	85.2	83.9	83.3	84.0	(2)	(2)	87.0	(2)	(2)
1936.....	87.1	88.7	(2)	(2)	88.6	(2)	(2)	84.1	(2)	86.0	(2)	(2)	88.2
1937.....	88.4	(2)	(2)	88.6	(2)	(2)	86.4	(2)	(2)	88.5	(2)	(2)	90.1
1938.....	88.7	(2)	(2)	91.0	(2)	(2)	86.4	(2)	(2)	88.0	(2)	(2)	89.3
1939.....	87.7	(2)	(2)	89.4	(2)	(2)	85.2	(2)	(2)	86.9	(2)	(2)	89.2
1940.....	87.9	(2)	(2)	89.0	(2)	(2)	85.5	(2)	(2)	87.0	89.0	90.0	90.2
1941.....	92.6	90.3	90.3	90.3	90.1	90.5	92.0	93.8	94.9	95.8	96.3	96.5	96.5
1942.....	96.7	96.7	96.7	96.7	95.9	96.1	96.6	96.8	96.9	97.0	97.1	97.2	97.2
1943.....	100.9	97.9	98.4	99.8	100.1	101.4	101.4	101.5	101.6	101.6	101.7	101.8	103.2
1944.....	104.3	103.5	103.8	103.8	104.0	104.3	104.4	104.5	104.6	104.6	104.7	104.7	104.8
1945.....	106.5	104.8	105.0	105.1	105.0	106.6	107.1	107.2	107.4	107.5	107.5	107.5	107.6
1946.....	112.5	108.6	108.6	108.6	108.6	109.0	111.0	114.3	114.4	116.2	116.4	116.5	117.6
1947.....	131.0	121.9	122.2	122.3	122.5	123.4	123.6	129.5	139.1	139.4	140.5	143.8	144.3
1948.....	153.4	145.7	146.4	146.5	147.4	150.5	152.3	156.7	158.5	159.1	159.2	159.2	159.2

¹ Annual average indexes not computed for years prior to 1929.² Not collected.³ Incomplete data.

Average Retail Prices for Anthracite and Bituminous Coal

Composite average retail prices per net ton for bituminous coal and anthracite stove, chestnut, pea, and buckwheat No. 1 are shown in table 5, by years from 1939 through 1948 and by months from January 1941 through December 1948. Corresponding index numbers for anthracite chestnut and bituminous coal may be found in tables 3 and 4. The method of computing these averages is described on page 3. The weights used in computing weighted average prices for anthracite stove, pea, and buckwheat No. 1 are rail shipments of each of these sizes to each city during the 12 months beginning August 1, 1935. The five price series presented are a continuation of series shown on page 17 of *Retail Prices of Food and Coal, 1941* (Bull. No. 707). These prices have not been adjusted for sample changes as have the index numbers, and are not as accurate for historical

comparisons as the index numbers shown in tables 3 and 4.

The anthracite pea prices shown here are weighted averages of prices collected in 23 cities from March 1939 through March 1942, in 22 cities from April 1942 through August 1946, in 20 cities for September 1946, in 18 cities for October 1946, in 16 cities for November 1946, in 11 cities for December 1946, in 9 cities for January 1947, in 8 cities from February through July 1947, and in 6 cities from August 1947 through December 1948.

The buckwheat No. 1 prices are weighted averages of prices secured for 22 cities from March 1939 through March 1942, 21 cities from April 1942 through August 1946, 19 cities in September and October 1946, 18 cities in November 1946, 13 cities in December 1946, 12 cities in January 1947, 11 cities in February through July 1947, and 8 cities from August 1947 through December 1948.

TABLE 5.—*Bituminous coal and anthracite stove, chestnut, pea, and buckwheat No. 1: Average retail prices per net ton (2,000 pounds) in selected cities, by years, 1939-48 and by months, 1941-48*

Date	Bituminous coal (unweighted average)	Pennsylvania anthracite (weighted average)				Date	Bituminous coal (unweighted average)	Pennsylvania anthracite (weighted average)			
		Stove	Chestnut	Pea	Buckwheat No. 1			Stove	Chestnut	Pea	Buckwheat No. 1
1939.....	\$8.52	\$10.79	\$10.84	\$8.77	\$7.64	1944.....	\$10.27	\$13.89	\$13.94	\$12.04	\$9.88
1940.....	8.60	11.33	11.35	9.39	8.11	1945.....	10.49	14.36	14.43	12.46	10.09
1941.....	8.10	11.92	11.97	10.03	8.43	1946.....	10.85	15.96	15.97	13.90	11.15
1942.....	9.51	12.41	12.47	10.54	8.59	1947.....	12.99	17.23	17.11	14.98	11.95
1943.....	9.94	13.15	13.20	11.27	9.18	1948.....	15.40	19.24	19.10	16.93	13.13
<i>1941</i>											
January.....	8.87	11.64	11.67	9.69	8.31	1945.....	10.33	13.81	13.87	11.97	9.80
February.....	8.87	11.63	11.66	9.70	8.31	1946.....	10.35	13.94	14.00	12.10	9.93
March.....	8.88	11.63	11.66	9.70	8.31	1947.....	10.36	13.90	13.98	12.06	9.85
April.....	8.86	11.64	11.67	9.70	8.31	1948.....	10.34	13.82	13.88	11.98	9.81
May.....	8.85	11.62	11.64	9.69	8.31	1949.....	10.50	13.81	13.87	11.97	9.80
June.....	8.89	11.51	11.57	9.61	8.40	1950.....	10.55	13.82	13.87	11.98	9.77
July.....	9.06	11.84	11.88	9.95	8.50	1951.....	10.55	14.83	14.89	12.86	10.33
August.....	9.24	12.10	12.17	10.23	8.55	1952.....	10.57	14.84	14.91	12.87	10.34
September.....	9.34	12.36	12.41	10.53	8.57	1953.....	10.58	14.86	14.93	12.89	10.35
October.....	9.42	12.40	12.46	10.55	8.58	1954.....	10.58	14.86	14.92	12.88	10.35
November.....	9.47	12.55	12.42	10.48	8.52	1955.....	10.59	14.87	14.93	12.88	10.34
December.....	9.50	12.55	12.43	10.48	8.52	1956.....	10.59	15.03	15.08	13.05	10.47
<i>1942</i>											
January.....	9.52	12.41	12.48	10.55	8.60	1946.....	10.69	15.14	15.20	13.18	10.62
February.....	9.51	12.42	12.48	10.56	8.64	1947.....	10.69	15.23	15.26	13.27	10.69
March.....	9.52	12.42	12.48	10.56	8.64	1948.....	10.69	15.23	15.26	13.27	10.68
April.....	9.43	12.28	12.29	10.42	8.62	1949.....	10.70	15.22	15.25	13.26	10.69
May.....	9.46	12.42	12.48	10.56	8.61	1950.....	10.73	15.23	15.27	13.27	10.69
June.....	9.49	12.41	12.48	10.55	8.57	1951.....	10.93	15.24	15.28	13.28	10.70
July.....	9.52	12.42	12.48	10.55	8.57	1952.....	11.23	16.53	16.55	14.43	11.59
August.....	9.52	12.42	12.48	10.55	8.57	1953.....	11.23	16.55	16.56	14.42	11.61
September.....	9.54	12.42	12.48	10.55	8.57	1954.....	11.10	16.79	16.81	14.69	11.86
October.....	9.54	12.42	12.49	10.55	8.57	1955.....	11.08	16.76	16.78	14.58	11.56
November.....	9.55	12.42	12.49	10.55	8.57	1956.....	11.14	16.78	16.80	14.56	11.55
December.....	9.56	12.43	12.49	10.56	8.58	1957.....	11.22	16.76	16.63	14.54	11.54
<i>1943</i>											
January.....	9.63	13.10	13.13	11.26	9.11	1947.....	11.82	17.01	16.87	14.81	11.80
February.....	9.68	13.10	13.14	11.20	9.09	1948.....	11.97	16.99	16.84	14.80	11.80
March.....	9.82	13.08	13.13	11.21	9.11	1949.....	11.99	16.99	16.83	14.80	11.80
April.....	9.86	13.08	13.14	11.22	9.11	1950.....	12.00	16.98	16.82	14.78	11.78
May.....	9.90	13.09	13.15	11.20	9.11	1951.....	12.09	16.27	16.17	14.03	11.31
June.....	9.98	13.08	13.14	11.19	9.11	1952.....	12.10	16.28	16.17	14.02	11.32
July.....	10.01	13.05	13.11	11.17	9.07	1953.....	12.68	16.63	16.50	14.34	11.49
August.....	10.02	13.05	13.11	11.17	9.07	1954.....	14.01	17.61	17.48	15.33	12.15
September.....	10.02	13.05	13.11	11.17	9.07	1955.....	14.04	17.80	17.71	15.55	12.30
October.....	10.03	13.06	13.12	11.17	9.07	1956.....	14.15	17.96	17.87	15.66	12.40
November.....	10.03	13.20	13.22	11.33	9.31	1957.....	14.48	18.12	18.01	15.84	12.62
December.....	10.17	13.88	13.89	12.01	9.85	1958.....	14.50	18.14	18.03	15.88	12.62
<i>1944</i>											
January.....	10.19	13.90	13.92	12.03	9.86	1948.....	14.64	18.31	18.22	16.08	12.78
February.....	10.22	14.36	14.37	12.48	10.35	1949.....	14.70	18.34	18.24	16.08	12.78
March.....	10.22	13.97	14.04	12.14	9.96	1950.....	14.71	18.34	18.24	16.07	12.78
April.....	10.24	13.97	14.04	12.15	9.96	1951.....	14.80	18.33	18.24	16.06	12.77
May.....	10.27	13.93	13.96	12.06	9.93	1952.....	15.11	18.39	18.29	16.16	12.81
June.....	10.28	13.80	13.85	11.95	9.79	1953.....	15.29	18.73	18.60	16.42	12.86
July.....	10.29	13.80	13.84	11.95	9.79	1954.....	15.73	19.16	18.94	16.72	13.01
August.....	10.31	13.80	13.84	11.95	9.79	1955.....	15.92	20.17	20.01	17.81	13.45
September.....	10.31	13.80	13.84	11.95	9.79	1956.....	15.98	20.26	20.09	17.91	13.58
October.....	10.31	13.80	13.85	11.95	9.79	1957.....	15.99	20.27	20.10	17.91	13.58
November.....	10.32	13.80	13.86	11.96	9.79	1958.....	15.99	20.28	20.10	17.95	13.58
December.....	10.33	13.81	13.86	11.97	9.79	1959.....	15.96	20.28	20.10	17.95	13.58

Monthly Average Retail Prices, by City, 1941-48

The average retail prices shown in table 6, with the exception of gas, are the unweighted averages of a selected group of quotations reported by representative retailers for locally important residential heating fuels. The weighted average prices per million British thermal units for gas used for residential space heating are presented

in this table. The weights employed in computing the gas prices for each city are based upon estimates of the quantity of gas consumed for space heating purposes.

Most of the average price series shown in table 6 were used in the calculation of the indexes in table 1. Prices are for cash payment, excluding

credit charges but including all applicable taxes, such as the Federal transportation tax and local sales taxes. Although the prices have been computed for each month in the cities covered, and are available in the files of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, data are presented here only for June and December of each year. When changes in any month in the number of price quotations received or in the number of cities covered resulted in a differential of 2 cents or more for any fuel, comparable average prices for the previous month were computed and published in the monthly mimeographed reports. The prices shown below

have not been adjusted for these sample changes. Coal prices for each month in 1941 were published in Retail Prices for Food and Coal, 1941 (Bull. No. 707). Prices for fuels other than coal, from 1939 to 1941 are presented in table 7 (p. 22).

The anthracite, bituminous coal, and coke prices are for 1-ton lots (2,000 pounds) delivered at the curb or into the bin if no extra charge is made; wood prices are for cord lots similarly delivered at the curb. Petroleum fuel prices are per gallon in the quantity usually delivered at one time; these prices are multiplied by 100 in order to show in the table the price for 100 gallons.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
NEW ENGLAND															
BOSTON															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	\$14.50	\$14.54	\$14.54	\$15.09	\$15.79	\$15.64	\$15.64	\$15.64	\$16.78	\$16.89	\$18.42	\$17.65	\$19.80	\$20.44	\$21.95
Chestnut.....	14.50	14.54	14.54	15.09	15.79	15.64	15.64	15.64	16.78	16.89	18.42	17.65	19.80	20.44	21.95
Pea.....	12.60	12.64	12.64	13.14	13.84	13.74	13.74	13.74	14.68	14.79	16.17	15.40	17.56	18.19	19.65
Buckwheat No. 1.....	11.00	11.03	11.04	11.49	12.09	11.94	11.94	11.94	12.53	12.64	13.72	13.45	14.88	15.44	16.15
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Stoker.....	9.16	9.22	9.22	9.59	9.93	9.92	9.92	10.21	10.20	10.62	11.40	11.83	13.70	14.60	15.20
Run of mine.....	11.00	11.05	11.05	11.17	11.52	11.52	11.52	12.06	12.09	12.28	11.63	12.12	13.83	15.00	15.60
Coke, egg.....	14.25	14.25	14.25	14.29	14.29	14.79	14.99	14.81	15.19	15.44	16.94	16.85	19.25	19.90	21.45
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.24	8.51	9.66	10.46	10.56	10.60	10.60	10.60	9.10	9.60	10.40	11.30	13.20	14.13	14.53
No. 2.....	7.20	7.80	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.60	8.10	8.80	9.40	11.14	12.18	12.28
BRIDGEPORT															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	13.25	13.50	13.50	14.25	15.57	15.42	15.56	15.34	16.49	16.59	18.24	17.80	(1)	(1)	(1)
Chestnut.....	13.25	13.50	13.50	14.25	15.57	15.42	15.56	15.34	16.49	16.59	18.24	17.80	(1)	(1)	(1)
Pea.....	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.63	13.57	13.42	13.56	13.34	14.34	14.44	15.94	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.49	11.42	11.27	11.39	11.19	11.79	11.89	13.10	12.86	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.00	8.40	9.50	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	8.80	9.30	10.42	10.80	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.00	7.48	8.50	8.80	8.80	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	8.00	9.10	9.20	(1)	(1)	(1)
FALL RIVER															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	15.00	15.05	15.05	15.57	16.14	16.17	16.14	16.22	17.31	17.44	18.92	18.15	(1)	(1)	(1)
Chestnut.....	14.75	14.80	14.80	15.33	15.90	15.97	15.89	15.97	17.06	17.19	18.67	17.90	(1)	(1)	(1)
Pea.....	12.20	12.25	12.25	12.73	13.30	13.32	13.29	13.37	14.31	14.44	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	10.75	10.80	10.80	11.22	11.71	11.72	11.69	11.69	12.27	12.39	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Egg.....	12.75	12.80	12.80	13.19	13.41	13.44	13.44	13.69	13.74	14.06	14.92	14.26	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut.....	12.75	12.80	12.80	13.19	13.40	13.44	13.44	13.69	13.74	14.01	14.97	14.41	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	8.90	8.95	8.95	9.28	9.54	9.56	9.56	9.81	9.84	9.94	10.98	11.51	(1)	(1)	(1)
Run of mine.....	10.25	10.10	10.10	10.49	10.50	10.55	10.55	11.00	11.04	11.27	12.16	12.66	(1)	(1)	(1)
Coke, egg.....	14.11	14.14	14.14	14.13	14.14	14.72	14.78	14.80	15.32	15.42	17.30	17.32	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.17	9.17	10.57	10.70	10.70	10.85	10.80	10.80	9.30	9.80	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.70	8.43	9.40	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.70	8.30	8.55	9.30	9.90	(1)	(1)	(1)
MANCHESTER															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	15.42	15.50	15.50	16.08	16.79	16.67	16.64	16.64	17.74	17.89	19.43	19.01	21.26	21.51	23.01
Chestnut.....	15.42	15.50	15.50	16.08	16.79	16.67	16.64	16.64	17.74	17.89	19.43	19.01	21.26	21.51	23.01
Pea.....	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.53	15.10	15.12	15.09	15.09	16.04	16.19	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	12.17	12.00	11.92	12.49	12.97	12.97	12.94	12.94	13.51	13.64	14.71	14.51	16.76	17.01	17.76
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Run of mine.....	10.29	10.38	10.38	11.04	11.12	11.28	11.28	11.35	11.53	11.77	12.56	13.16	15.08	15.50	16.17
Coke, egg.....	14.92	14.92	14.96	15.04	15.04	15.54	15.74	15.58	15.94	16.04	17.78	18.51	21.01	21.26	22.76
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	9.00	9.40	10.50	11.10	11.10	11.10	11.10	11.10	9.60	10.10	11.40	12.30	14.40	15.00	15.27
No. 2.....	7.90	8.50	9.40	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.70	8.30	8.80	9.60	10.20	12.30	12.68	13.00

¹ Discontinued.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
NEW ENGLAND—Continued															
NEW HAVEN															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	\$14.25	\$14.25	\$14.29	\$14.84	\$15.54	\$15.45	\$15.39	\$15.39	\$16.54	\$16.64	\$18.42	\$18.12	(1)	(1)	(1)
Chestnut.....	14.25	14.25	14.29	14.84	15.54	15.45	15.39	15.39	16.54	16.64	18.42	18.12	(1)	(1)	(1)
Pea.....	12.50	12.50	12.54	13.03	13.74	13.65	13.59	13.59	14.59	14.69	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	10.00	10.00	10.04	10.46	11.08	11.00	10.94	10.94	11.54	11.64	12.86	13.02	(1)	(1)	(1)
Coke, stove.....	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.54	13.54	14.04	14.04	14.04	14.44	14.49	16.30	16.02	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.00	8.50	9.55	10.70	10.70	10.70	10.30	10.30	8.80	9.30	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.10	7.70	8.60	8.90	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	8.00	8.82	9.10	(1)	(1)	(1)
PORTLAND, MAINE															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.08	15.78	15.63	15.63	15.63	16.78	16.88	18.47	18.00	\$19.50	\$19.86	\$21.54
Chestnut.....	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.08	15.78	15.63	15.63	15.63	16.78	16.88	18.47	18.00	19.50	19.86	21.54
Pea.....	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.53	14.24	14.08	14.08	14.08	15.08	15.18	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	10.75	10.75	10.75	11.23	11.83	11.68	11.68	11.68	12.28	12.38	13.52	13.45	14.55	14.68	15.88
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Stoker.....	8.65	9.17	9.17	9.42	9.49	9.52	9.52	9.67	9.67	10.00	10.49	11.25	12.91	14.15	14.36
Run of mine.....	9.05	9.12	9.22	9.76	9.85	9.98	9.98	10.24	10.26	10.36	11.20	11.90	12.97	14.30	14.51
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.10	8.50	9.60	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.20	8.77	9.20	10.30	11.20	12.92	13.44	14.20
No. 2.....	7.20	8.10	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.53	8.00	8.80	9.50	11.10	11.54	12.30
PROVIDENCE															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	14.11	14.05	14.25	14.89	15.59	15.88	15.88	15.88	16.98	17.04	18.38	17.99	(1)	(1)	(1)
Chestnut.....	14.11	14.05	14.25	14.89	15.59	15.88	15.88	15.88	16.98	17.04	18.38	17.99	(1)	(1)	(1)
Pea.....	12.75	12.69	12.75	13.34	14.04	14.34	14.34	14.34	15.33	15.40	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	10.65	10.68	10.68	11.17	11.77	11.96	11.96	11.96	12.50	12.58	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Stoker.....	9.38	9.83	9.83	10.19	10.41	10.44	10.44	10.66	10.99	10.99	11.54	12.64	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.02	8.47	9.50	9.95	9.95	10.30	10.30	10.30	8.80	9.30	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.12	7.70	8.60	8.90	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.60	8.10	8.80	9.36	(1)	(1)	(1)
MIDDLE ATLANTIC															
BUFFALO															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	\$12.38	\$12.42	\$12.44	\$12.97	\$13.67	\$13.52	\$13.52	\$13.62	\$14.92	\$15.04	\$16.56	\$16.48	\$18.22	\$19.02	\$20.82
Chestnut.....	12.38	12.42	12.44	12.97	13.67	13.52	13.52	13.62	14.92	15.04	16.56	16.48	18.21	18.98	20.74
Pea.....	10.46	10.52	10.53	11.02	11.72	11.67	11.67	11.66	12.82	12.94	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 2.....	8.73	8.77	8.78	9.22	9.82	9.68	9.68	9.72	10.53	10.64	10.71	10.70	12.55	12.83	13.48
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Egg.....	8.06	8.11	8.13	8.64	8.94	8.94	8.94	9.12	9.22	9.61	10.06	10.33	11.53	12.89	13.89
Eastern high volatile:															
Stoker.....	6.08	6.13	6.23	6.63	6.92	6.94	6.94	7.17	7.24	7.47	8.13	8.44	9.60	10.34	11.46
Coke, nut.....	10.81	10.97	10.98	10.89	10.89	11.29	11.24	11.24	11.54	11.64	13.65	13.90	16.01	17.93	19.64
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	8.80	9.20	10.30	10.70	10.80	10.80	10.40	10.40	9.40	9.90	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	8.23	8.80	9.70	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	8.50	9.00	10.50	11.00	13.03	13.84	13.84
NEWARK															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	11.95	11.95	11.96	12.55	13.24	13.09	13.19	13.19	14.41	14.56	16.13	15.66	(1)	(1)	(1)
Chestnut.....	11.95	11.95	11.96	12.55	13.24	13.09	13.19	13.19	14.41	14.56	16.13	15.66	(1)	(1)	(1)
Pea.....	10.45	10.47	10.47	11.01	11.71	11.67	11.66	11.66	12.73	12.88	14.30	13.66	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	8.44	8.45	8.46	8.97	9.56	9.46	9.53	9.53	10.13	10.24	11.40	11.28	(1)	(1)	(1)
Coke, nut.....	13.45	13.31	13.31	13.49	13.49	13.99	13.99	13.99	14.39	14.45	16.20	16.46	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	8.05	8.20	10.30	10.50	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.25	8.75	9.00	9.95	10.80	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.16	7.80	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	8.00	8.74	9.20	(1)	(1)	(1)
NEW YORK															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	12.35	12.42	12.46	13.17	14.13	13.97	13.97	13.99	15.23	15.51	17.10	16.52	18.54	19.17	20.78
Chestnut.....	12.35	12.42	12.43	13.17	14.13	13.97	13.97	13.99	15.23	15.51	17.10	16.52	18.54	19.17	20.78
Pea.....	10.78	10.85	10.86	11.55	12.50	12.36	12.36	12.36	13.47	13.74	15.01	14.45	16.33	16.90	18.42
Buckwheat No. 1.....	8.48	8.55	8.56	9.11	9.90	9.81	9.81	9.82	10.49	10.73	11.54	11.30	12.68	12.90	13.59
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Stoker.....	8.56	8.59	8.66	9.00	9.30	9.75	9.52	9.78	9.90	10.63	11.43	11.99	13.41	13.94	15.09
Coke, nut.....	12.99	13.16	13.16	13.22	13.22	14.02	14.73	14.88	14.98	15.38	16.74	17.50	19.24	20.29	21.28
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	8.03	8.33	9.40	10.30	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.40	8.89	9.39	10.35	11.32	13.06	14.48	14.35
No. 2.....	7.27	7.88	8.79	9.09	9.09	9.09	9.09	9.09	7.60	8.08	9.04	9.53	12.11	12.49	12.71

1 Discontinued.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
MIDDLE ATLANTIC—Continued															
PHILADELPHIA															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	\$11.64	\$11.69	\$11.70	\$12.34	\$12.97	\$13.08	\$13.12	\$13.10	\$14.40	\$14.56	\$16.05	\$15.75	\$17.60	\$18.18	\$19.50
Chestnut.....	11.64	11.69	11.70	12.35	12.97	13.08	13.12	13.10	14.40	14.56	16.05	15.75	17.60	18.18	19.50
Pea.....	9.83	9.94	9.95	10.54	11.17	11.28	11.32	11.30	12.45	12.61	13.95	13.50	15.38	15.91	17.50
Buckwheat No. 1.....	8.50	8.52	8.53	9.00	9.53	9.63	9.67	9.65	10.40	10.56	11.60	11.50	12.48	12.82	13.75
Coke, egg.....	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.79	11.79	12.29	12.82	12.51	12.91	13.85	15.26	15.50	17.95	19.25	20.25
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.88	8.44	9.49	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.90	9.94	8.48	8.96	10.11	10.62	12.45	13.50	13.50
No. 2.....	7.18	7.76	8.56	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.93	8.93	7.43	7.93	8.68	9.16	11.02	12.00	12.00
PITTSBURGH															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	5.75	5.78	5.99	6.05	6.33	6.38	6.33	6.47	6.58	6.93	7.46	8.10	10.25	10.35	11.20
Egg.....	5.38	5.44	5.71	5.85	6.11	6.14	6.06	6.20	6.27	6.70	7.14	7.86	9.88	9.98	10.78
Nut.....	4.92	4.92	5.16	5.01	5.35	5.40	5.14	5.28	5.19	5.35	6.09	7.75	9.80	9.90	10.75
Stoker.....	5.35	5.41	5.65	5.82	6.06	6.19	6.19	6.31	6.29	6.59	7.18	7.84	10.01	10.11	10.96
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.482	.479	.479	.479	.479	.481	.484	.483	.483	.483	.484	.485	.485	.486	.485
ROCHESTER, N. Y.															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	12.82	12.87	12.87	13.41	14.14	13.99	14.01	14.07	15.18	15.27	16.99	16.89	(1)	(1)	(1)
Chestnut.....	12.82	12.87	12.87	13.41	14.14	13.99	14.01	14.07	15.18	15.27	16.99	16.89	(1)	(1)	(1)
Pea.....	10.82	10.87	10.87	11.37	12.10	11.94	11.96	12.02	12.98	13.07	14.68	14.49	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	8.71	8.79	8.79	9.23	10.04	9.89	9.91	9.97	10.53	10.62	11.90	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	8.90	9.30	10.40	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.60	10.00	11.40	12.30	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.90	8.47	9.40	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.70	8.23	8.70	10.10	10.60	(1)	(1)	(1)
SCRANTON															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	8.19	8.19	8.19	8.81	9.51	9.61	9.61	9.61	10.76	11.08	12.47	12.00	13.16	13.45	14.68
Chestnut.....	8.19	8.19	8.19	8.81	9.51	9.61	9.61	9.61	10.76	11.08	12.47	12.00	13.15	13.40	14.66
Pea.....	6.69	6.69	6.69	7.26	7.96	8.06	8.06	8.06	9.06	9.37	10.58	10.10	11.15	11.35	12.66
Buckwheat No. 1.....	5.22	5.22	5.22	5.71	6.31	6.41	6.41	6.41	7.01	7.31	8.27	7.94	8.70	8.75	9.49
EAST NORTH CENTRAL															
CHICAGO															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	\$12.02	\$12.05	\$10.05	\$12.39	\$12.62	\$12.73	\$12.82	\$13.10	\$13.14	\$13.65	\$14.42	\$15.19	\$17.44	\$18.29	\$19.04
Egg.....	12.10	12.15	12.15	12.46	12.70	12.84	12.91	13.20	13.24	13.69	14.56	15.29	17.44	18.23	19.04
Stove.....	11.85	11.90	11.90	12.13	12.41	12.51	12.57	12.85	12.89	13.38	14.21	14.94	17.44	18.23	19.04
Nut.....	10.21	10.26	10.26	10.48	10.73	10.86	10.94	11.20	11.24	11.74	12.56	13.39	15.64	16.95	17.74
Run of mine.....	9.72	9.76	9.76	10.14	10.32	10.40	10.46	10.74	10.78	11.25	11.92	12.59	14.84	15.98	16.79
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	10.63	10.71	10.71	11.07	11.39	11.57	11.57	11.75	11.75	12.16	12.85	13.97	16.06	16.98	17.87
Egg.....	10.22	10.24	10.24	10.66	10.96	11.31	11.31	11.49	11.49	11.89	12.46	13.54	15.78	16.85	17.66
Stoker.....	9.24	9.37	9.37	9.73	9.91	9.99	9.99	10.22	10.22	10.51	11.66	13.04	15.84	16.59	17.84
Western high volatile:															
Egg.....	8.94	9.05	9.05	9.25	9.31	9.32	9.38	9.44	9.46	9.77	10.56	11.09	12.79	13.34	14.29
Nut.....	8.70	8.74	8.74	8.86	8.89	8.92	9.03	9.15	9.15	9.44	10.26	10.79	12.49	13.04	14.09
Stoker.....	7.49	7.56	7.56	7.98	8.16	8.27	8.30	8.39	8.45	8.81	9.94	10.57	12.69	13.26	14.27
Coke, nut.....	13.81	13.84	13.84	13.90	14.39	15.09	15.09	15.09	15.49	16.18	17.62	18.64	20.03	20.49	21.99
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	9.18	9.18	9.18	9.49	9.49	9.49	7.96	7.96	7.96	8.47	9.69	10.81	15.14	15.50	15.40
No. 2.....	7.65	7.65	7.96	7.96	7.96	7.96	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.96	8.87	10.20	13.16	13.57	13.57
CINCINNATI															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	8.79	8.81	8.88	9.10	9.35	9.40	9.45	9.73	9.76	10.45	10.79	11.20	13.39	14.22	15.10
Egg.....	8.79	8.61	8.88	9.06	9.31	9.37	9.42	9.69	9.71	10.33	10.65	11.20	13.39	14.22	15.10
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	7.89	7.37	7.45	7.71	7.90	8.00	7.98	8.14	8.17	8.71	9.01	9.26	11.44	12.06	12.83
Stoker.....	7.35	7.36	7.41	7.70	7.93	8.06	8.06	8.26	8.24	8.87	9.14	9.97	12.12	13.03	13.83
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.559	.499	.499	.499	.499	.499	.499	.499	.516	.516	.516	.516	.585	.584	.584
CLEVELAND															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	10.09	10.07	10.18	10.40	10.62	10.75	10.87	11.14	11.21	11.72	12.51	12.82	15.42	16.12	17.21
Egg.....	10.26	10.24	10.33	10.58	10.80	10.92	11.08	11.35	11.40	11.86	12.67	12.98	15.58	16.20	17.29
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	8.47	8.53	8.57	8.83	9.12	9.23	9.43	9.61	9.65	10.07	10.94	11.32	14.06	14.68	15.42
Egg.....	8.12	8.17	8.19	8.36	8.57	8.62	8.63	8.87	8.93	9.23	9.78	10.15	12.46	12.91	13.53
Stoker.....	8.42	8.53	8.54	8.86	9.16	9.27	9.27	9.49	9.52	9.93	10.79	11.48	14.01	14.38	15.36
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.512	.512

1 Discontinued.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
EAST NORTH CENTRAL—Continued															
COLUMBUS															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	\$8.46	\$8.53	\$8.60	\$8.90	\$9.14	\$9.14	\$9.17	\$9.61	\$9.64	\$10.22	\$10.76	\$11.27	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	8.72	8.70	8.77	9.21	9.44	9.44	9.49	9.76	9.78	10.32	10.86	11.37	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	7.35	7.55	7.57	7.97	8.20	8.20	8.31	8.65	8.67	9.07	9.90	10.58	(1)	(1)	(1)
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	7.39	7.43	7.55	7.96	8.14	8.16	8.13	8.33	8.35	8.80	9.58	9.91	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	7.00	7.08	7.18	7.69	7.88	7.91	7.92	8.18	8.22	8.52	9.12	9.66	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	6.97	7.24	7.23	7.44	7.64	7.64	7.67	7.89	7.99	8.38	9.89	10.65	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.476	.476	.476	.476	.476	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.476	.476	(1)	(1)	(1)
DETROIT															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Egg.....	10.28	10.12	10.32	10.77	10.99	11.36	11.36	11.63	11.61	11.89	12.63	13.14	\$15.85	\$16.27	\$17.08
Stove.....	10.09	9.91	10.13	10.61	10.84	11.09	11.09	11.36	11.40	11.68	12.38	12.84	15.65	16.15	16.74
Nut.....	9.19	9.19	9.33	9.84	10.08	10.21	10.21	10.48	10.52	10.74	11.46	12.00	14.48	15.25	15.97
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	8.75	8.97	9.12	9.64	9.82	10.11	10.11	10.49	10.41	10.56	11.39	12.04	14.17	15.03	16.01
Egg.....	8.56	8.73	8.81	9.26	9.45	9.65	9.65	9.88	9.91	10.10	10.71	11.47	13.93	14.63	15.89
Stoker.....	8.41	8.54	8.54	9.03	9.34	9.54	9.59	9.75	9.72	9.85	10.75	11.90	14.31	15.28	16.10
Coke, egg.....	11.52	11.59	11.59	11.58	12.46	12.71	12.71	12.71	13.12	13.60	14.92	15.74	18.37	19.96	21.28
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	7.69	7.69	7.76	8.27	8.27	8.45	8.45	8.45	8.45	8.96	9.78	10.92	15.63	15.12	14.83
No. 3.....	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.93	8.76	9.89	12.41	13.18	13.29
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.658	.658	.658	.658	.658	.658	.441	.664	.624	.622	.627	.614	.619	.618	.617
INDIANAPOLIS															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	8.96	8.99	9.04	9.63	9.85	9.86	9.90	10.18	10.24	10.34	11.32	11.72	14.25	15.36	16.46
Egg.....	9.06	9.12	9.14	9.73	9.96	10.00	10.01	10.29	10.33	10.44	11.38	11.75	14.34	15.36	16.46
Stoker.....	8.04	8.08	8.09	8.66	8.92	8.92	8.98	9.23	9.30	9.40	10.63	10.80	13.32	14.40	15.56
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	8.05	8.10	8.11	8.77	8.97	9.00	9.00	9.16	9.20	9.30	10.06	10.54	12.77	13.66	14.58
Egg.....	7.48	7.55	7.55	8.21	8.41	8.42	8.45	8.60	8.70	8.80	9.51	10.14	12.27	13.25	14.32
Stoker.....	7.95	8.04	8.09	8.87	9.08	8.95	8.96	9.12	9.18	9.28	10.07	10.82	13.27	14.68	15.80
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	6.04	6.12	6.16	6.66	6.67	6.61	6.61	6.70	6.62	6.73	7.72	7.98	10.08	11.00	11.55
Egg.....	5.58	5.64	5.66	6.23	6.29	6.36	6.29	6.35	6.34	6.48	7.34	7.58	9.66	10.47	11.00
Stoker.....	5.44	5.51	5.52	6.27	6.29	6.38	6.42	6.51	6.55	6.65	7.14	7.64	9.64	10.78	11.61
MILWAUKEE															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	14.22	14.25	14.25	14.81	15.28	15.36	15.46	15.46	16.46	16.70	18.09	18.20	20.05	20.40	22.10
Chestnut.....	14.22	14.25	14.25	14.81	15.28	15.36	15.46	15.46	16.46	16.70	18.09	18.20	20.05	20.40	22.10
Pea.....	12.78	12.80	12.80	13.31	13.78	13.86	13.96	13.96	14.81	15.05	16.29	16.45	18.15	18.50	19.84
Buckwheat No. 1.....	11.22	11.25	11.25	11.72	12.10	12.16	12.26	12.26	12.76	12.97	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Stove.....	11.78	11.80	11.81	12.92	13.00	13.17	13.27	13.44	13.49	14.15	14.33	14.90	17.40	19.02	19.50
Nut.....	10.78	10.80	10.81	11.92	12.01	12.17	12.27	12.45	12.49	13.17	13.33	14.10	16.65	18.52	18.83
Eastern high volatile:															
Stoker.....	9.15	9.14	9.20	9.63	9.63	9.93	10.01	10.18	10.20	10.65	11.44	12.54	14.66	16.01	15.84
Coke, nut.....	12.46	12.44	12.44	12.48	13.29	13.62	13.71	13.72	14.19	15.34	15.94	16.38	18.38	19.24	20.49
Fuel oil:															
Range.....	8.27	8.27	8.27	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.70	7.70	7.70	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.50	9.30	10.60	13.64	14.22	14.10
PEORIA															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	9.60	9.44	9.66	10.34	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.73	10.65	10.75	12.57	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	9.50	9.44	9.60	10.24	10.39	10.39	10.39	10.65	10.65	10.75	12.52	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	4.72	4.84	4.72	5.35	5.51	5.51	5.58	5.79	5.85	5.95	7.17	7.00	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	4.59	4.72	4.59	5.29	5.47	5.47	5.58	5.77	5.83	5.93	7.11	7.12	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	4.34	4.46	4.46	5.02	5.10	5.10	5.16	5.17	5.27	5.38	6.75	7.38	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	(1)	(1)	(1)
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	4.39	4.39	4.41	4.71	4.71	4.92	5.18	5.24	5.28	5.54	5.82	6.14	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	4.18	4.18	4.20	4.51	4.51	4.71	4.98	5.05	5.08	5.32	5.64	6.04	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	3.94	3.66	3.96	4.26	4.26	4.53	4.62	4.68	4.75	5.04	5.43	5.77	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	(1)	(1)	(1)

1 Discontinued.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
WEST NORTH CENTRAL															
DES MOINES															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	\$11.08	\$11.08	\$11.08	\$11.61	\$11.61	\$12.01	\$12.01	\$12.17	\$12.17	\$12.31	\$12.95	\$13.05	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	10.86	10.86	10.86	11.19	11.19	11.59	11.59	11.75	11.75	11.85	12.46	12.84	(1)	(1)	(1)
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	6.06	6.15	6.16	6.04	6.85	7.26	7.26	7.33	7.33	7.44	7.60	8.43	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	5.80	5.86	5.86	5.79	6.60	7.01	7.01	7.07	7.07	7.19	7.34	8.00	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	5.66	5.66	5.66	5.50	6.25	6.99	6.99	6.78	6.78	6.94	7.09	8.66	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.29	8.77	9.38	10.65	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.17	7.17	7.17	7.71	7.71	7.71	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.26	8.87	10.12	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.665	.665	.665	.655	.655	.655	.655	.655	.655	.655	.598	.598	(1)	(1)	(1)
KANSAS CITY, MO.															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	10.86	10.88	10.91	11.38	11.98	12.36	12.35	12.90	13.27	13.37	15.01	15.79	\$18.23	\$18.47	\$19.78
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	7.06	7.11	7.12	7.46	7.45	7.61	7.58	7.63	7.65	7.81	8.57	8.99	10.68	10.88	12.02
Nut.....	6.74	6.82	6.82	7.21	7.20	7.31	7.31	7.36	7.38	7.55	8.00	8.48	10.32	10.54	11.66
Stoker.....	6.20	6.25	6.30	6.62	6.72	6.83	6.85	6.94	6.98	7.10	6.80	7.45	9.74	9.88	11.00
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.28	7.45	7.45	7.60	7.65	7.65	7.65	7.65	7.65	8.16	8.98	10.10	12.91	13.32	13.31
No. 2.....	6.94	7.04	7.04	7.19	7.19	7.19	7.19	7.19	7.19	7.70	8.47	9.69	12.58	12.68	12.68
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.491	.491	.491	.491	.491	.491	.490	.491	.491	.492	.491	.485	.439	.448	.448
MINNEAPOLIS															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	13.45	13.50	13.50	14.76	14.81	15.13	15.14	15.35	15.51	15.94	16.91	17.98	20.70	23.47	23.97
Egg.....	13.74	13.79	13.79	15.10	15.16	15.46	15.46	15.69	15.84	16.28	17.26	18.27	21.01	23.49	23.98
Stove.....	13.15	13.17	13.20	14.56	14.61	14.91	14.91	15.14	15.30	15.74	16.71	17.95	20.68	23.04	23.52
Stoker.....	10.22	10.27	10.27	11.13	11.22	11.44	11.46	11.66	11.80	12.27	13.09	14.23	16.94	19.25	19.68
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	11.61	11.57	11.68	12.82	12.87	13.09	13.12	13.32	13.46	13.78	14.30	15.46	17.52	19.55	19.95
Egg.....	11.39	11.36	11.47	12.60	12.66	12.89	12.92	13.12	13.26	13.58	14.10	15.22	17.33	19.33	19.73
Stoker.....	10.06	10.14	10.13	11.03	11.08	11.31	11.29	11.49	11.65	12.05	13.04	14.44	16.71	18.64	19.04
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	10.40	10.34	10.45	10.94	10.98	10.99	10.99	11.08	11.18	11.39	11.95	12.20	14.02	14.90	15.55
Egg.....	10.10	10.02	10.10	10.57	10.62	10.63	10.69	10.78	10.88	11.08	11.65	11.90	13.70	14.70	15.35
Stoker.....	8.35	8.38	8.39	8.86	8.93	9.14	9.28	9.50	9.70	10.02	10.77	11.17	13.29	14.50	15.19
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.50	7.50	7.83	8.13	8.20	8.23	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.80	9.90	11.20	14.47	14.83	14.83
No. 2.....	7.50	7.50	7.83	8.10	8.12	8.12	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.30	9.20	10.50	13.68	14.12	14.00
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.765	.765	.765	.765	.765	.765	.688	.688	.688	.625	.625	.625	.630	.630	.630
OMAHA															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	12.33	12.33	12.37	12.83	13.45	13.63	14.04	14.71	14.86	15.54	16.36	16.81	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	12.34	12.34	12.39	12.84	13.52	13.68	14.02	14.76	14.85	15.67	16.27	16.83	(1)	(1)	(1)
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	9.57	9.57	9.63	9.45	9.48	9.62	9.65	10.00	10.02	10.21	10.58	11.33	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	8.93	8.93	8.96	8.52	8.62	8.65	8.88	8.90	9.03	9.37	9.81	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut.....	8.65	8.65	8.68	8.91	8.93	8.95	8.90	8.49	8.53	8.73	9.21	10.00	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	7.94	7.95	8.02	8.28	8.32	8.27	8.46	8.52	8.56	8.81	9.26	10.50	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.90	8.00	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.60	9.20	10.50	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	6.90	6.90	6.90	7.20	7.53	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	8.10	8.70	10.00	(1)	(1)	(1)
ST. LOUIS															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	9.57	9.42	9.53	10.05	10.50	10.67	10.67	11.19	11.18	11.24	11.96	12.56	15.09	15.77	16.50
Egg.....	9.73	9.67	9.82	10.19	10.44	10.56	10.58	10.73	10.78	11.18	12.05	12.56	15.09	15.77	16.50
Stove.....	9.47	9.51	9.61	9.97	10.26	10.47	10.50	10.73	10.77	11.26	12.18	12.56	14.95	15.55	16.36
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	7.09	6.96	7.09	7.33	7.42	7.38	7.38	7.47	7.47	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	7.09	6.96	7.09	7.31	7.31	7.32	7.32	7.38	7.45	7.82	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	6.39	6.38	6.39	6.92	6.88	6.98	6.98	7.07	7.21	7.61	8.42	8.88	10.81	11.56	12.14
Coke, nut and furnace.....	9.70	9.62	9.70	9.58	10.20	10.69	10.52	10.39	10.45	10.69	13.85	14.41	17.47	18.86	18.85
Briquets.....	10.80	10.76	10.88	11.25	11.59	11.76	11.76	11.98	12.06	12.48	13.70	13.95	16.12	16.22	17.14

1 Discontinued.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
WEST NORTH CENTRAL—Continued															
ST. PAUL															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	\$13.41	\$13.46	\$13.46	\$14.75	\$14.80	\$15.14	\$15.15	\$15.36	\$15.54	\$16.05	\$16.91	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	13.71	13.76	13.76	15.10	15.15	15.46	15.47	15.71	15.89	16.44	17.26	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stove.....	13.11	13.12	13.16	14.56	14.60	14.91	14.92	15.16	15.33	15.85	16.71	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	10.26	10.31	10.31	11.15	11.26	11.48	11.46	11.66	11.80	12.29	13.09	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	11.57	11.54	11.66	12.74	12.79	13.01	13.07	13.25	13.41	13.80	14.30	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	11.44	11.41	11.54	12.53	12.58	12.80	12.86	13.06	13.20	13.33	14.10	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	10.09	10.17	10.16	11.05	11.11	11.34	11.36	11.56	11.73	12.16	13.04	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Western high volatile:															
Egg.....	10.40	10.33	10.45	10.94	10.98	10.99	10.99	11.08	11.18	11.43	11.95	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stove.....	10.10	10.00	10.08	10.54	10.59	10.60	10.69	10.78	10.88	11.15	11.65	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	8.37	8.38	8.39	8.87	8.95	9.18	9.30	9.61	9.76	10.04	10.77	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.50	7.50	7.80	8.14	8.20	8.23	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.80	9.90	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.50	7.50	7.80	8.10	8.13	8.13	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.30	9.20	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
WICHITA															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	8.42	8.42	8.42	8.94	9.52	10.02	10.02	10.37	10.48	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	8.33	8.33	8.33	8.44	8.81	8.86	8.86	8.87	9.18	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut.....	7.74	7.14	7.14	8.20	8.20	8.33	8.33	8.26	8.60	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.438	.438	.438	.438	.438	.438	.437	.448	.437	.446	.440	\$0.537	(1)	(1)	(1)
SOUTH ATLANTIC															
ATLANTA															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	\$8.79	\$8.62	\$8.71	\$9.07	\$9.38	\$9.53	\$9.56	\$9.71	\$9.71	\$10.21	\$11.70	\$11.95	\$13.95	\$14.80	\$15.50
Egg.....	8.54	8.38	8.46	8.82	9.13	9.28	9.31	9.46	9.46	9.86	11.50	11.75	13.75	14.60	15.30
Stoker.....	8.61	8.50	8.50	8.88	9.10	9.21	9.22	9.42	9.42	9.89	11.35	11.60	13.60	14.45	15.15
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.630	.630	.630	.630	.630	.630	.630	.609	.612	.596	.602	.553	.552	.509	.508
BALTIMORE															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	12.00	12.04	12.05	12.60	13.20	13.22	13.22	13.15	14.28	14.39	15.93	15.62	17.80	18.30	20.14
Chestnut.....	12.00	12.04	12.05	12.60	13.20	13.22	13.22	13.15	14.28	14.39	15.93	15.62	17.80	18.30	20.14
Pea.....	10.50	10.54	10.55	11.06	11.65	11.66	11.66	11.60	12.58	12.69	14.08	13.72	15.71	16.26	18.06
Buckwheat No. 1.....	9.25	9.29	9.30	9.77	10.26	10.18	10.18	10.21	10.79	10.89	11.98	11.68	13.41	13.69	14.48
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Lump.....	9.04	9.06	9.07	9.03	9.76	9.52	9.52	9.73	9.83	10.06	10.49	10.64	11.97	13.02	14.16
Egg.....	9.38	9.40	9.61	9.83	10.55	10.44	10.44	10.97	11.05	11.24	12.08	12.58	14.38	15.10	16.17
Stove.....	10.33	10.33	10.43	10.69	10.79	10.87	10.87	11.13	11.15	11.28	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	8.05	8.22	8.22	8.54	8.99	9.08	9.08	9.33	9.47	10.18	10.46	10.71	12.79	13.81	14.59
Run of mine.....	7.81	7.83	7.87	8.01	8.40	8.52	8.52	8.74	8.90	9.30	10.10	10.22	11.68	12.26	12.87
Eastern high volatile:															
Egg.....	7.73	7.75	7.77	7.98	8.26	8.27	8.27	8.51	8.60	8.72	9.38	9.60	11.05	12.43	12.85
Nut.....	7.58	7.62	7.62	7.79	8.09	8.29	8.29	8.52	8.62	8.82	9.38	9.70	11.37	12.46	12.85
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.64	8.06	9.24	9.66	9.66	9.71	9.78	9.85	8.35	8.85	9.70	10.60	11.75	13.08	13.36
No. 2.....	7.15	7.80	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	8.00	8.90	9.70	10.71	11.73	12.14
CHARLESTON, S. C.															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.00	11.25	11.25	11.40	11.40	11.50	12.20	12.80	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	10.25	10.25	10.29	10.25	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.90	10.90	11.00	11.70	12.30	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	8.62	8.62	8.62	8.71	9.05	9.25	9.25	9.40	9.40	9.33	10.03	11.03	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
Kerosene.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.50	12.66	12.36	12.36	11.18	11.78	12.70	13.60	(1)	(1)	(1)
No. 2.....	7.20	7.73	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.70	8.70	7.50	8.00	8.90	9.50	(1)	(1)	(1)
JACKSONVILLE															
Fuel oil:															
Kerosene.....	8.50	10.40	9.80	10.10	10.10	10.10	9.60	9.60	8.60	9.10	10.78	11.92	12.98	14.88	14.88
No. 2.....	7.50	10.10	9.30	9.30	9.30	9.30	8.80	8.80	7.80	8.30	9.83	10.45	11.65	13.48	13.48
NORFOLK															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Egg.....	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.75	11.00	11.15	11.20	11.45	11.50	12.06	12.53	13.25	15.00	16.00	16.50
Stove.....	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.75	11.00	11.15	11.19	11.44	11.49	12.02	12.53	13.25	15.00	16.00	16.50
Stoker.....	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.25	9.50	9.55	9.62	9.88	9.92	10.34	10.93	11.75	13.75	14.75	15.25
Run of mine.....	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.35	9.60	9.65	9.65	9.90	9.95	10.36	10.93	11.75	13.75	14.75	15.25
Eastern high volatile:															
Nut.....	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.35	9.55	9.60	9.60	9.75	9.75	10.10	10.61	11.00	12.50	13.50	14.00
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	7.90	8.30	9.40	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.50	9.00	9.90	11.00	11.80	13.22	13.40
No. 2.....	7.00	7.60	8.50	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	7.30	7.80	8.70	9.30	10.10	11.22	11.40

1 Discontinued.

2 Not collected.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
SOUTH ATLANTIC—Continued															
RICHMOND															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Egg.....	\$10.25	\$10.25	\$10.25	\$10.44	\$10.84	\$10.73	\$10.73	\$10.99	\$11.03	\$11.71	\$12.24	\$12.75	\$15.26	\$15.86	\$16.68
Stove.....	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.23	10.49	10.38	10.38	10.64	10.68	11.36	11.90	12.45	15.06	15.64	16.47
Stoker.....	8.66	8.66	8.66	8.96	9.22	9.12	9.12	9.36	9.40	10.08	10.62	10.90	14.01	14.91	15.81
Run of mine.....	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.88	9.14	9.03	9.03	9.29	9.33	10.01	10.28	10.80	14.01	14.86	15.68
Eastern high volatile:															
Egg.....	8.88	8.88	8.88	9.17	9.63	9.43	9.44	9.59	9.59	10.15	10.54	11.10	13.85	14.65	15.51
Stove.....	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.82	9.04	8.84	8.84	8.99	8.99	9.55	9.84	10.53	13.01	13.98	14.88
Stoker.....	8.38	8.38	8.38	8.74	9.05	8.94	8.94	9.12	9.12	9.74	9.94	10.50	13.38	14.32	15.22
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	8.20	8.54	9.67	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	8.80	9.30	10.20	11.30	12.10	13.00	13.70
No. 2.....	7.20	7.80	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	8.00	8.90	9.50	10.54	11.10	11.80
SAVANNAH															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	10.57	10.36	10.43	10.89	11.40	11.40	11.51	11.55	11.76	11.90	13.05	13.62	15.62	17.62	17.62
Egg.....	9.93	9.86	10.08	10.55	11.02	11.02	11.22	11.22	11.37	11.47	12.55	13.50	15.67	17.67	17.67
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	9.33	9.60	10.33	11.10	11.10	11.10	10.60	10.60	9.60	10.10	11.10	12.18	13.95	16.62	15.00
No. 2.....	8.00	8.33	9.00	9.30	9.30	9.30	8.80	8.80	7.80	8.30	10.04	10.57	12.57	14.67	14.00
WASHINGTON, D.C.															
Pennsylvania anthracite:															
Stove.....	12.23	12.29	12.29	12.80	13.44	13.34	13.34	13.36	14.49	14.61	16.14	15.86	17.75	18.08	19.42
Chestnut.....	12.23	12.29	12.29	12.80	13.44	13.34	13.34	13.36	14.49	14.61	16.14	15.86	17.78	18.10	19.45
Pea.....	10.57	10.63	10.63	11.11	11.82	11.64	11.64	11.66	12.66	12.76	14.14	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Buckwheat No. 1.....	8.93	8.98	8.98	9.37	9.99	9.81	9.86	9.87	10.48	10.52	11.60	11.72	13.09	13.29	13.98
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Egg.....	10.38	10.40	10.43	10.75	10.99	11.11	11.12	11.36	11.40	11.52	12.37	12.84	14.99	15.76	16.45
Stove.....	10.16	10.16	10.21	10.48	10.81	10.93	10.94	11.19	11.23	11.35	12.20	12.73	14.99	15.78	16.45
Stoker.....	7.05	7.10	7.09	7.62	7.89	7.89	7.89	8.14	8.18	8.31	9.15	9.72	11.45	12.92	13.50
Run of mine.....	7.78	7.82	7.82	8.08	8.74	8.83	8.83	9.07	9.08	9.21	9.96	10.36	12.51	13.50	13.95
Fuel oil:															
No. 1.....	8.20	8.60	9.70	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	8.80	9.30	10.20	11.10	11.90	13.60	13.60
No. 2.....	7.60	8.20	9.10	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	7.90	8.40	9.30	10.10	10.90	12.50	12.30
Gas, million B. t. u.....	1.013	1.013	1.040	1.040	1.040	1.040	1.040	1.040	1.039	1.040	1.036	1.036	1.036	1.036	1.036
WINSTON-SALEM															
Bituminous coal:															
Low and medium volatile:															
Stove.....	9.58	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.75	10.25	10.21	10.61	10.62	11.05	11.54	12.25	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut.....	8.60	8.55	8.55	8.89	9.09	9.30	9.29	9.62	9.64	10.06	10.56	11.25	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	8.33	8.25	8.25	8.53	8.78	8.88	8.86	9.36	9.38	9.80	10.30	11.25	(1)	(1)	(1)
Run of mine.....	8.50	8.50	8.56	8.62	8.70	9.10	9.10	9.84	9.98	10.68	10.95	11.25	(1)	(1)	(1)
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	9.25	9.17	9.25	9.75	9.88	9.96	9.92	10.66	10.66	11.00	11.56	12.17	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	9.19	9.17	9.17	9.36	9.60	9.89	9.81	10.44	10.40	10.64	11.20	11.94	(1)	(1)	(1)
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL															
BIRMINGHAM															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	\$7.34	\$7.31	\$7.41	\$7.84	\$8.05	\$8.37	\$8.48	\$8.97	\$8.97	\$9.85	\$10.13	\$10.40	\$11.93	\$11.99	\$12.54
Egg.....	7.42	7.30	7.58	8.01	8.32	8.51	8.63	9.13	9.13	10.02	10.31	10.75	12.35	12.41	13.06
Nut.....	7.14	7.00	7.13	7.56	7.82	8.01	8.11	8.57	8.57	9.46	9.74	10.37	11.96	12.03	12.71
Stoker.....	7.38	7.20	7.37	7.45	7.79	8.08	8.17	8.86	9.09	10.03	10.32	10.79	12.40	12.49	13.16
LOUISVILLE															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	7.07	7.09	7.08	7.56	7.80	7.90	7.90	8.05	8.06	8.46	9.29	9.81	(1)	(1)	(1)
Egg.....	6.77	6.79	6.79	7.21	7.42	7.59	7.59	7.76	7.80	8.06	9.12	9.50	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker.....	6.86	6.89	6.88	7.41	7.69	7.70	7.70	7.83	7.80	8.39	9.30	9.71	(1)	(1)	(1)
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	6.04	6.06	6.05	6.21	6.36	6.21	6.21	6.33	6.33	6.58	6.91	7.41	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut.....	5.74	5.76	5.75	5.94	6.05	6.11	6.27	6.33	6.33	6.62	6.63	7.26	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	.588	(1)	(1)	(1)
MEMPHIS															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump.....	8.83	8.83	8.83	9.49	9.66	9.84	9.84	10.03	10.03	10.13	11.22	11.98	14.16	14.20	15.66
Stoker.....	7.88	7.88	7.88	7.99	8.05	8.26	8.23	8.53	8.65	8.80	9.96	10.35	12.46	12.49	14.26
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.53	7.53	7.48	7.56	7.62	7.69	7.78	8.58	8.91	10.28	10.38	11.40
Egg.....	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.50	7.49	7.44	7.49	7.56	7.60	7.75	8.58	8.91	10.30	10.33	11.39
Nut.....	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.24	7.24	7.35	7.40	7.47	7.58	7.71	8.30	8.62	10.28	10.38	11.40
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564	.564

1 Discontinued.

TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL—Continued															
MOBILE															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump	\$10.39	\$9.90	\$10.44	\$10.84	\$11.00	\$11.15	\$11.35	\$11.94	\$11.74	\$12.75	\$13.10	\$13.63	\$15.36	\$15.36	\$16.01
Egg	10.49	9.98	10.53	10.93	11.16	11.46	11.51	11.99	11.99	12.65	13.12	13.63	15.17	15.18	16.11
Gas, million B. t. u.	.607	.607	.607	.607	.572	.572	.513	.502	.501	.505	.507	.530	.533	.531	.530
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL															
DALLAS															
Gas, million B. t. u.	\$0.640	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.521	\$0.522	\$0.522	\$0.522	(1)	(1)	(1)
HOUSTON															
Gas, million B. t. u.	.587	.574	.562	.532	.532	.532	.532	.532	.532	.543	.543	.543	\$0.543	\$0.543	\$0.538
LITTLE ROCK															
Gas, million B. t. u.	.424	.424	.424	.424	.424	.424	.424	.433	.433	.433	.433	.424	(1)	(1)	(1)
NEW ORLEANS															
Bituminous coal:															
Eastern high volatile:															
Lump	11.67	11.67	11.78	11.90	12.49	12.80	12.80	13.11	13.16	13.19	14.18	14.19	16.44	16.50	16.56
Egg	11.63	11.63	11.74	11.93	12.46	12.79	12.79	13.07	13.14	13.15	14.82	14.92	17.14	17.27	17.34
Nut	11.73	11.73	11.84	11.84	12.30	12.78	12.78	12.92	13.06	13.06	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Fuel oil:															
No. 1	8.65	8.65	8.72	8.72	8.72	8.72	8.72	8.72	8.72	9.50	10.58	11.33	12.06	14.39	14.63
No. 2	7.14	7.14	7.21	7.21	7.21	7.21	7.21	7.21	7.21	7.72	9.27	9.89	10.71	12.51	12.88
Gas, million B. t. u.	.699	.681	.681	.669	.662	.662	.662	.665	.559	.560	.560	.560	.560	.560	.560
MOUNTAIN															
BUTTE															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump	\$11.68	\$11.68	\$11.68	\$11.92	\$12.15	\$12.15	\$12.18	\$12.19	\$12.26	\$12.29	\$13.45	\$13.82	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut	9.75	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.45	10.12	10.42	10.42	10.42	10.48	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Sub-bituminous coal:															
Lignite:															
Egg	10.04	10.04	10.04	10.28	10.42	10.28	10.68	10.87	10.92	10.95	12.02	11.67	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.42	8.70	8.70	8.85	9.15	9.25	9.30	10.35	10.60	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker	6.25	6.25	6.33	6.26	6.60	6.66	6.89	7.19	7.29	7.36	8.55	8.85	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	.529	(1)	(1)	(1)
CHEYENNE															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump	9.91	9.92	9.92	10.44	11.02	11.15	11.06	11.09	11.10	11.24	11.99	12.37	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut	9.59	9.59	9.59	10.16	10.16	10.25	10.50	10.88	11.01	11.06	11.05	11.69	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.33	7.56	7.99	7.97	8.48	8.82	8.92	9.11	9.58	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.	.552	.552	.552	.552	.552	.552	.552	.563	.563	.502	.502	.502	(1)	(1)	(1)
DENVER															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump	8.45	8.50	8.63	8.93	9.48	9.65	9.68	9.86	9.87	10.00	10.74	11.14	\$12.36	\$12.80	\$13.39
Nut	7.71	7.76	7.89	8.07	8.45	8.67	8.72	8.92	8.94	9.03	9.74	10.15	11.27	11.67	12.38
Stoker	5.39	5.52	5.75	6.07	6.43	6.42	6.45	6.72	6.74	6.87	7.49	7.80	8.75	8.75	9.81
Sub-bituminous coal:															
Lignite:															
Egg	6.91	6.94	7.10	7.12	7.80	7.90	7.90	7.90	7.94	8.04	8.20	8.29	9.34	9.51	10.26
Lump	6.84	6.88	6.98	7.14	7.78	7.89	7.89	7.89	8.03	8.13	8.54	8.68	9.80	9.59	10.31
Stoker	3.61	3.66	4.17	4.29	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.44	5.62	5.66	5.73	6.65	6.65	7.50
Gas, million B. t. u.	.543	.543	.543	.543	.543	.543	.543	.544	.447	.447	.447	.447	.447	.451	.451
SALT LAKE CITY															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump	8.10	8.12	8.15	8.31	8.38	8.42	8.42	8.97	8.97	9.30	9.67	10.44	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stove	7.90	7.93	7.96	8.12	8.29	8.30	8.30	8.66	8.66	9.00	9.21	9.99	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut	7.34	7.37	7.43	7.84	7.95	7.95	7.95	8.30	8.30	8.63	8.85	9.63	(1)	(1)	(1)
Stoker	5.78	5.81	5.86	6.38	6.46	6.46	6.46	6.86	6.86	7.32	7.53	8.30	(1)	(1)	(1)
Gas, million B. t. u.	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493	.488	.488	.486	(1)	(1)	(1)
PACIFIC															
LOS ANGELES															
Gas, million B. t. u.	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463	\$0.463

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TABLE 6.—Residential heating fuels: Average retail prices by city, June and December 1941-48—Continued

City and item	1941	1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947		1948	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
MOUNTAIN—Continued															
PORTLAND, OREG.															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	\$14.18	\$14.18	\$14.37	\$14.50	\$14.49	\$14.65	\$14.65	\$14.96	\$14.96	\$15.09	\$15.64	\$16.61	\$18.40	\$19.00	\$19.48
Stove.....	14.19	14.19	14.32	14.48	14.53	14.56	14.56	14.90	14.90	15.50	15.50	16.47	18.30	18.90	19.40
Nut.....	13.09	13.09	13.27	13.61	13.61	13.72	13.72	14.06	14.16	14.24	14.69	15.66	17.40	17.88	18.41
Stoker.....	10.94	10.94	11.12	11.53	11.78	12.04	11.94	12.12	12.12	12.18	12.81	13.05	15.06	15.66	16.40
Fuel oil:															
No. 100.....	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.06	8.05	9.80	10.75	11.75	13.30	13.94
No. 200.....	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.05	7.05	8.30	9.25	9.65	11.00	11.64
Wood, soft.....	8.59	10.88	12.50	12.08	12.08	10.50	10.50	11.17	11.17	11.25	11.11	10.96	10.64	10.71	11.14
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.708	.708	.708	.708	.708	.708	.708	.708	.710	.862	.864	1.219	1.401	1.535	1.651
SAN FRANCISCO															
Fuel oil, No. 200.....	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.64	5.64	5.64	5.64	5.64	6.41	7.69	8.92	9.48	10.97	11.38
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.420	.402	.402	.384	.384	.384	.384	.384	.384	.337	.337	.337	.337	.337	.337
SEATTLE															
Bituminous coal:															
Western high volatile:															
Lump.....	12.59	12.75	12.75	14.84	14.96	15.11	15.11	15.52	15.40	15.51	16.15	16.40	18.23	18.88	19.14
Egg.....	12.03	11.94	11.96	12.77	13.29	13.49	13.49	13.90	13.90	14.01	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Nut.....	10.95	11.08	11.05	13.47	13.42	13.55	13.55	13.92	13.93	14.03	14.52	15.03	16.72	17.35	17.94
Stoker.....	9.14	9.37	9.37	10.68	11.27	11.60	11.60	12.08	12.13	12.24	12.69	12.78	14.36	14.71	15.26
Fuel oil:															
No. 100.....	7.47	7.47	7.47	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.47	8.55	10.52	11.24	12.31	13.97	14.77
No. 200.....	6.44	6.44	6.44	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.44	7.52	8.93	9.69	10.30	11.91	12.65
Wood, soft.....	10.11	10.69	12.22	11.33	11.22	11.79	12.65	13.46	12.88	12.88	13.08	13.13	13.26	13.26	14.23

¹ Discontinued.

Average Retail Prices of Selected Fuels, by City, 1939-41

Supplementing the information appearing in table 6 of this bulletin, the retail prices for wood, coke, kerosene, fuel oil, and gas for residential heating for June and December of the years 1939, 1940, and 1941 are presented in table 7 for the first time as final data. Data were computed every third month from March 1939 through September 1940, and monthly from October 1940 through December 1941. The only previous publication of these prices has been the "preliminary" figures appearing in the mimeographed monthly release, "Retail Prices of Fuel by Cities."

These tables, together with the information on coal prices contained in the Bureau publications Serials No. R. 1085, R. 1264, and Bulletin No. 707, make available a general history of retail

prices for all locally important fuels during the years 1939 through 1948, with indexes through June 1947.

A description of the method of computation and the comparability of prices may be found on page 12.

The anthracite, bituminous coal, and coke prices are for 1-ton lots (2,000 pounds) delivered at the curb or into the bin if no extra charge is made; wood prices are for cord lots similarly delivered at the curb. Petroleum fuel prices are per gallon in the quantity usually delivered at one time; these prices are multiplied by 100 in order to show in the table the price for 100 gallons.

TABLE 7.—Residential heating fuels (oil, gas, coke, briquets, and wood): Average retail prices by region and city, June and December, 1939-41

City and item	1939		1940		1941		City and item	1939		1940		1941	
	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.		June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
NEW ENGLAND							EAST NORTH CENTRAL						
BOSTON:							CHICAGO:						
Coke, egg.....	\$11.76	\$12.27	\$12.14	\$13.10	\$13.28	\$14.25	Coke, egg.....	\$10.30	\$11.98	\$11.26	\$12.52	\$12.55	\$13.81
Fuel oil:							Fuel oil:						
Range.....	6.92	7.92	8.19	8.33	7.97	8.24	Range.....	9.27	9.27	8.98	9.27	9.01	9.13
No. 2.....	5.50	6.75	6.70	7.00	6.90	7.20	No. 2.....	7.44	7.47	7.30	7.73	7.47	7.65
BRIDGEPORT:							CINCINNATI:						
Fuel oil:							Gas, million B. t. u.....	.559	.559	.559	.559	.559	.559
Range.....	6.90	8.00	7.80	7.75	7.83	8.00	CLEVELAND:						
No. 2.....	5.50	6.50	6.66	6.50	6.75	7.00	Gas, million B. t. u.....	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500
FALL RIVER:							COLUMBUS:						
Coke, egg.....	11.36	12.36	11.36	12.36	12.34	14.11	Gas, million B. t. u.....	.524	.476	.476	.476	.476	.476
Fuel oil:							DETROIT:						
Range.....	7.00	7.00	7.50	8.00	7.67	8.17	Coke, egg.....	8.14	9.01	8.20	9.01	10.04	11.52
No. 2.....	6.25	7.20	7.20	7.70	7.30	7.70	Fuel oil:						
MANCHESTER:							Range.....	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.37	7.69
Coke, egg.....	12.00	12.50	12.14	12.43	13.14	14.92	No. 3.....	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.00	7.13
Fuel oil:							Gas, million B. t. u.....	.662	.622	.622	.622	.622	.658
Range.....	7.38	8.50	8.88	9.20	8.90	9.00	MILWAUKEE:						
No. 2.....	6.00	7.00	7.34	7.70	7.60	7.90	Coke, egg.....	10.23	11.23	10.48	11.47	11.48	12.46
NEW HAVEN:							Fuel oil:						
Coke, egg.....	11.16	12.06	11.55	12.50	11.80	13.50	Range.....	8.48	8.35	8.30	8.30	8.27	8.27
Fuel oil:							No. 2.....	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70
Range.....	6.13	7.63	7.90	7.50	7.50	8.00	PEORIA:						
No. 2.....	5.50	6.50	6.90	7.10	6.80	7.10	Gas, million B. t. u.....	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500
PORTLAND, MAINE:							SPRINGFIELD, ILL.:						
Fuel oil:							Gas, million B. t. u.....	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500	.500
Range.....	6.75	8.07	8.42	8.40	8.00	8.10	WEST NORTH CENTRAL						
No. 2.....	5.75	6.77	6.80	7.00	6.90	7.20							
PROVIDENCE:							DES MOINES:						
Fuel oil:							Fuel oil:						
Range.....	6.75	7.83	7.90	8.12	7.82	8.02	No. 1.....	\$8.16	\$8.16	\$8.16	\$8.16	\$8.10	\$7.71
No. 2.....	5.50	6.56	6.71	6.90	6.80	7.12	No. 2.....	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.41	7.17
MIDDLE ATLANTIC							Gas, million B. t. u.....	.671	.671	.671	.665	.665	.665
BUFFALO:							KANSAS CITY:						
Coke, egg.....	\$8.30	\$9.45	\$8.95	\$9.70	\$9.72	\$10.81	Fuel oil:						
Fuel oil:							No. 1.....	6.94	6.94	6.94	6.94	6.94	7.28
No. 1.....	7.00	7.75	8.00	7.90	8.30	8.80	No. 2.....	6.94	6.94	6.94	6.94	6.94	6.94
No. 2.....	7.00	7.40	6.30	7.30	7.70	8.23	Gas, million B. t. u.....	.491	.491	.491	.491	.491	.491
NEWARK:							MINNEAPOLIS:						
Coke, egg.....	10.95	11.95	11.53	12.50	12.25	13.45	Fuel oil:						
Fuel oil:							No. 1.....	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.25	7.50
No. 1.....	6.50	7.35	7.95	7.94	8.15	8.05	No. 2.....	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.20	7.50
No. 2.....	5.72	6.78	6.75	6.75	7.16	7.16	Gas, million B. t. u.....	.765	.765	.765	.765	.765	.765
NEW YORK:							OMAHA:						
Coke, egg.....	10.72	11.55	11.39	12.37	11.98	12.99	Fuel oil:						
Fuel oil:							No. 1.....	7.50	7.50	7.45	7.45	7.50	7.50
No. 1.....	6.89	8.26	8.36	8.16	8.01	8.03	No. 2.....	6.90	6.90	6.85	6.85	6.90	6.90
No. 2.....	5.87	6.69	6.73	6.94	6.89	7.27	ST. LOUIS:						
PHILADELPHIA:							Coke, nut, and furn- ace.....	8.58	10.03	9.28	10.13	9.92	9.70
Coke, egg.....	9.47	9.72	9.53	10.25	10.75	11.75	Briquets.....				9.95	10.03	10.80
Fuel oil:							ST. PAUL:						
No. 1.....	7.75	7.97	8.36	7.97	7.86	7.88	Fuel oil:						
No. 2.....	6.00	6.40	7.00	6.75	6.98	7.18	No. 1.....	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.27	7.50
PITTSBURGH:							No. 2.....	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.20	7.50
Gas, million B. t. u.....	.482	.482	.482	.482	.482	.482	WICHITA:						
ROCHESTER, N. Y.:							Gas, million B. t. u.....	.438	.438	.438	.438	.438	.438
Fuel oil:													
No. 1.....	7.42	8.40	8.40	8.50	8.80	8.90							
No. 2.....	6.75	7.50	7.29	7.40	7.60	7.90							

TABLE 7.—Residential heating fuels (oil, gas, coke, briquets, and wood): Average retail prices by region and city, June and December, 1939-41—Continued

City and item	1939		1940		1941	
	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
SOUTH ATLANTIC						
ATLANTA:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	\$0.630	\$0.630	\$0.630	\$0.630	\$0.630	\$0.630
BALTIMORE:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 1.....	6.75	7.25	7.50	7.71	7.43	7.64
No. 2.....	6.25	6.83	6.75	7.15	7.06	7.15
CHARLESTON, S. C.:			6.75	6.50	7.00	7.20
Fuel oil, No. 2.....						
JACKSONVILLE:						
Fuel oil:						
Kerosene.....	8.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50
No. 2.....	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
NORFOLK:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 1.....	7.00	7.31	7.50	7.45	7.69	7.90
No. 2.....	6.00	6.31	6.50	6.55	6.75	7.00
RICHMOND:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 1.....	7.25	7.60	7.75	7.59	8.00	8.20
No. 2.....	6.25	6.67	6.75	6.83	7.00	7.20
SAVANNAH:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 1.....	8.00	8.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.33
No. 2.....	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.00
WASHINGTON:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 1.....	7.03	7.72	7.79	8.00	8.00	8.20
No. 2.....	6.50	7.19	7.00	7.40	7.25	7.60
Gas, million B. t. u..	1.013	1.013	1.013	1.013	1.013	1.013
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL						
LOUISVILLE:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	\$0.572	\$0.572	\$0.588	\$0.588	\$0.588	\$0.588
MEMPHIS:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.630	.630	.564	.564	.564	.564
MOBILE:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.607	.607	.607	.607	.607	.607
City and item	1939		1940		1941	
	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL						
DALLAS:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	\$0.640	\$0.640	\$0.640	\$0.640	\$0.640	\$0.640
HOUSTON:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.605	.600	.587	.587	.587	.587
LITTLE ROCK:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.514	.514	.514	.424	.424	.424
NEW ORLEANS:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 1.....	9.65	9.65	8.65	8.65	8.65	8.65
No. 2.....	7.14	7.14	6.89	6.63	6.63	7.14
Gas, million B. t. u..	.947	.947	.947	.900	.900	.699
MOUNTAIN						
BUTTE:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	\$0.529	\$0.529	\$0.529	\$0.529	\$0.529	\$0.529
CHEYENNE:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.552	.552	.552	.552	.552	.552
DENVER:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.543	.543	.543	.543	.543	.543
SALT LAKE CITY:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493	.493
PACIFIC						
LOS ANGELES:						
Gas, million B. t. u..	\$0.489	\$0.476	\$0.476	\$0.476	\$0.463	\$0.463
PORTLAND, OREG.:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 100.....	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
No. 200.....	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Wood, soft.....	7.20	7.33	7.20	7.42	7.21	8.50
Gas, million B. t. u..	.708	.708	.708	.708	.708	.708
SAN FRANCISCO:						
Fuel oil, No. 200.....	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.67
Gas, million B. t. u..	.492	.485	.485	.420	.420	.420
SEATTLE:						
Fuel oil:						
No. 100.....	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.47	7.47
No. 200.....	6.38	6.38	6.38	6.38	6.44	6.44
Wood, soft.....	9.54	9.33	9.23	9.13	9.32	10.11