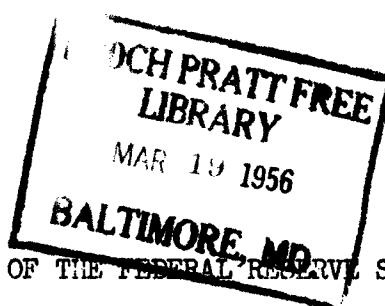


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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES

Department of Labor
(1947-49 = 100)

	<u>Feb.</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>Jan.</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>Dec.</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>Feb.</u> <u>1955</u>
All commodities	112.3	r111.9	111.3	110.4
Farm products	86.0	84.1	82.9	93.1
Grains	82.9	81.5	82.7	93.1
Livestock and poultry	67.7	63.0	59.3	80.7
Plant and animal fibers	105.7	101.9	100.8	104.3
Processed foods	99.0	98.3	98.2	103.2
Meats, poultry and fish	76.1	75.7	75.3	86.9
Dairy products and ice cream	106.1	106.1	107.2	107.2
Other commodities	120.5	r120.4	119.8	115.7
Textile products and apparel	96.0	r 95.7	95.6	95.2
Hides, skins, & leather products	97.1	96.7	96.7	92.3
Fuels, power & lighting materials	111.1	r111.0	109.3	108.7
Chemicals & allied products	106.4	106.3	106.6	107.1
Rubber and products	147.1	r148.4	151.0	140.6
Lumber and wood products	126.7	r126.3	125.1	121.2
Pulp, paper & allied products	125.4	124.8	123.6	116.6
Metals and metal products	145.0	r145.1	143.9	131.5
Machinery and motive products	133.5	r133.3	133.0	126.1
Furniture and other household durables	118.0	r118.0	117.3	115.4
Non-metallic minerals - structural	127.2	r127.0	125.4	121.8
Tobacco manufactures & bottled beverages	121.7	121.7	121.7	121.6
Miscellaneous	88.6	89.6	88.8	97.1

Department of Agriculture
(1910-14 = 100)

Prices received by farmers				
Total	226	226	223	244
Crops	231	231	227	244
Livestock and products	220	221	219	245
Prices paid by farmers, including interest, taxes, and wage rates	280	281	r278	283

r--Revised.