

BUILDING PERMITS COMPARED

RETURNS FOR THIRTY-TWO CITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR FIGURES	April 1916	May 1916	May 1915	May, 1916, compared with May 1915.	
				Increase+	Decrease-
				Amount	Per Cent.
CITIES	\$	\$	\$	\$	
NOVA SCOTIA.....	106,824	149,696	129,220	+ 20,476	+ 15.84
Halifax.....	95,924	144,141	113,270	+ 30,871	+ 27.25
Sydney.....	10,900	5,555	15,950	- 10,395	- 65.17
NEW BRUNSWICK.....	73,400	192,695	213,610	- 20,915	- 9.79
Moncton.....	26,600	28,595	136,710	- 108,115	- 79.08
St. John.....	46,800	164,100	76,900	+ 87,200	+ 113.39
QUEBEC.....	774,688	1,613,496	1,309,644	+ 303,852	+ 23.20
Maisonneuve.....	17,000	101,775	10,600	+ 91,175	+ 869.14
Montreal.....	435,805	767,069	529,167	+ 237,902	+ 44.95
Quebec.....	266,995	574,532	554,827	+ 19,705	+ 3.55
Sherbrooke.....	7,500	19,000	90,750	- 71,750	- 79.06
Westmount.....	47,388	151,120	124,300	+ 26,820	+ 21.57
ONTARIO.....	1,338,274	2,031,190	1,998,762	- 32,428	+ 1.62
Berlin.....	48,495	8,836	37,085	- 28,249	- 76.17
Brantford.....	17,325	39,032	22,575	+ 16,457	+ 72.89
Port William.....	38,450	11,875	110,050	- 98,175	- 89.21
Guelph.....	21,812	30,345	62,465	- 32,120	- 51.42
Hamilton.....	289,485	310,210	304,240	+ 5,970	+ 1.96
Kingston.....	30,251	44,742	22,410	+ 22,332	+ 99.65
London.....	82,550	111,840	184,350	- 72,510	- 39.33
Ottawa.....	89,175	193,625	335,750	- 142,125	- 42.33
Peterborough.....	48,195	5,750	15,940	- 10,190	- 63.92
Port Arthur.....	49,440	182,170	15,698	+ 166,472	+ 1069.46
St. Thomas.....	8,200	15,075	19,750	- 4,675	- 23.67
Toronto.....	457,546	988,985	807,269	+ 181,116	+ 22.42
Windsor.....	157,250	88,705	60,580	+ 28,125	+ 46.42
MANITOBA.....	695,200	409,400	141,100	+ 268,300	+ 190.14
Brandon.....	23,000	13,700	6,100	+ 7,600	+ 124.59
Winnipeg.....	672,200	395,700	135,000	+ 260,700	+ 193.11
SASKATCHEWAN.....	35,025	100,105	32,465	+ 67,640	+ 208.34
Moose Jaw.....	19,825	26,085	3,150	+ 22,935	+ 728.09
Regina.....	9,500	39,900	27,315	+ 12,585	+ 46.07
Saskatoon.....	5,700	34,120	2,000	+ 32,120	+ 1606.00
ALBERTA.....	49,210	50,100	42,950	+ 7,150	+ 16.64
Calgary.....	32,500	38,000	20,000	+ 18,000	+ 90.00
Edmonton.....	16,710	12,100	22,950	- 10,850	- 47.27
BRITISH COLUMBIA.....	80,895	66,020	762,885	- 696,865	- 91.34
New Westminster.....	5,155	17,100	6,730	+ 10,370	+ 154.08
Vancouver.....	64,605	32,900	719,280	- 686,380	- 95.42
Victoria.....	11,135	16,020	36,875	- 20,855	- 56.55
Canada.....	3,153,516	\$4,643,047	\$4,630,636	+ 12,411	+ .27

MONEY MARKETS

Messrs. Glazebrook and Cronyn, exchange and bond brokers, Toronto, report exchange rates as follows:—

	Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
N.Y. funds	$\frac{1}{8}$ pm	5-32 pm	$\frac{3}{8}$ pm
Mont. funds	par	par	$\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$
Sterling—			
Demand	\$4.76.30	\$4.76.55	\$4.78 $\frac{3}{4}$
Cable transfers	\$4.77	\$4.77.25	\$4.79 $\frac{1}{2}$
Sterling demand in New York, \$4.75 $\frac{1}{4}$.			
Bank of England rate, 6 per cent.			

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

(DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR FIGURES)		No. of Commod- ities	INDEX NUMBERS		
			May 1916	April 1916	May 1915
I. GRAINS AND PODDERS:					
Grains, Ontario.....	6	186.5	181.1	212.5	
Grains, Western.....	4	168.2	165.3	198.7	
Podder.....	5	191.7	179.1	186.5	
All.....	15	183.3	176.2	200.2	
II. ANIMALS AND MEATS:					
Cattle and beef.....	6	226.4	213.5	216.2	
Hogs and hog products.....	3	208.0	202.3	169.1	
Sheep and mutton.....	3	223.8	214.4	189.6	
Poultry.....	2	271.5	271.5	218.6	
All.....	17	224.8	216.5	195.3	
III. DAIRY PRODUCTS					
All.....	9	154.1	166.3	147.0	
IV. FISH:					
Prepared fish.....	6	154.8	151.8	144.6	
Fresh fish.....	3	186.8	156.8	153.5	
All.....	9	155.5	153.4	148.2	
V. OTHER FOODS:					
(a) Fruits and vegetables					
Fresh fruits, native.....	1	183.8	183.8	147.1	
Fresh fruits, foreign.....	3	104.2	105.0	87.3	
Dried fruits.....	4	157.9	160.8	121.9	
Fresh vegetables.....	4	265.7	261.0	131.7	
Canned vegetables.....	5	109.7	104.2	101.2	
All.....	16	174.1	172.4	116.2	
(a) Miscellaneous groceries and provisions					
Breadstuffs.....	10	154.7	148.9	167.1	
Tea, coffee, etc.....	4	126.5	126.5	110.3	
Sugar, etc.....	6	168.3	162.9	144.6	
Condiments.....	5	145.9	145.9	120.3	
All.....	25	151.7	148.0	143.3	
VI. TEXTILES:					
Woolens.....	5	211.5	212.3	166.5	
Cottons.....	4	155.1	144.6	128.3	
Silks.....	3	108.0	108.8	79.7	
Jutes.....	2	312.4	320.2	226.2	
Flax products.....	4	211.2	202.2	168.7	
Oilcloths.....	2	132.5	125.6	103.5	
All.....	20	186.9	183.4	145.5	
VII. HIDES, LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHOES:					
Hides and tallow.....	4	295.2	248.5	192.1	
Leather.....	4	192.4	187.0	173.5	
Boots and shoes.....	3	180.6	180.6	158.3	
All.....	11	226.6	226.6	176.1	
VIII. METALS AND IMPLEMENTS:					
Iron and steel.....	11	142.9	142.4	104.2	
Other metals.....	12	270.6	283.3	180.3	
Implements.....	10	137.2	138.2	111.3	
All.....	33	187.6	191.1	134.1	
IX. FUEL AND LIGHTING:					
Fuel.....	6	145.8	145.4	116.4	
Lighting.....	4	94.7	94.7	90.0	
All.....	10	125.0	124.8	105.8	
X. BUILDING MATERIALS:					
Lumber.....	14	169.7	169.7	176.7	
Miscellaneous materials.....	20	152.5	150.6	113.2	
Paints, oils and glass.....	14	189.7	191.5	155.9	
All.....	48	171.9	171.6	144.2	
XI. HOUSE FURNISHINGS:					
Furniture.....	6	145.9	145.9	145.9	
Crockery and glassware.....	4	172.3	172.3	155.1	
Table cutlery.....	2	87.2	87.2	80.3	
Kitchen furnishings.....	4	132.3	132.3	125.5	
All.....	16	141.8	141.8	134.9	
XII. DRUGS AND CHEMICALS					
All.....	16	262.5	262.5	165.2	
XIII. MISCELLANEOUS:					
Raw Furs.....	4	317.3	305.1	133.8	
Liquors and tobacco.....	6	140.5	140.5	134.7	
Sundries.....	7	141.8	139.9	116.0	
All.....	17	189.6	179.0	126.8	
All commodities.....	262*	180.9	179.1	147.4	

* Nine commodities off the market, fruits, vegetables, etc. One line of speiter has been dropped.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE—UNLISTED SECURITIES

WEEK ENDED AUGUST 9TH

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