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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

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This bulletin contains index numbers of the Price Index of Materials used in Building other than House Building (base : Year 1966-67 = 100.0). A detailed description of the index is contained in the introductory bulletin (reference No. 9.6) issued on 23 April 1969.

2. Index numbers for the current month and the previous month are preliminary and subject to revision.
3. The index measures changes in prices of selected materials used in the construction of buildings other than houses and "low-rise" flats (in general, those up to three storeys). It includes 72 items, combined in eleven groups, in addition to an "All Groups" index. Although the selected materials (or many of them) are also used in house (and low-rise flat) building, in building repair, maintenance and alteration work, and in "engineering construction" work (e.g., projects such as roads, dams, bridges and the like), the weighting pattern of the index, being designed for the specific purpose mentioned at the beginning of this paragraph, is not applicable to these other activities of the Construction industry. In addition, since the weights are based on an average materials usage over a range of types of building within the defined area (building other than house building), the index is not necessarily applicable to any specific building or type of building included in that area.
4. The index is a fixed-weights index and is calculated by the method known as "the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives". The items and weights were derived from reported values of materials used in selected representative buildings constructed in or about 1966-67. The single weighting pattern relates to the whole of Australia, and is applied (with minor exceptions) in calculating indexes for each State capital city.
5. Prices are collected as at the mid-point of the month to which the index refers, or as near thereto as practicable. They relate to specified standards of each commodity and are obtained in all State capital cities from representative suppliers of materials used in building. There are, however, some exceptions to the use of local prices in the indexes for each capital city. The main exception is that, for each city, the whole of the group Electrical Installation Materials and the majority of the items in the group Mechanical Services Components are based on Sydney and Melbourne price series.
6. The index contained in this bulletin is the first of a series of indexes which will be prepared as circumstances permit and which will relate to materials used and articles produced by other important and defined areas (or "sectors") of the economy.
7. The index has been compiled for each month from July 1966, and for the financial years from 1966-67. Index numbers for each State capital city and for the weighted average of the six capitals are given for each group of items and for all groups combined in tables 3-10.
8. The separate city indexes measure price movements within each capital

city individually. They enable comparisons to be drawn between cities as to differences in degree of price movement from period to period, but not as to differences in price level.

9. Table 1 below shows, for the six State capital cities separately and combined, the percentage change of the All Groups index number for the month of August 1969 from the preceding month (July 1969) and from the corresponding month of the previous year (August 1968).

TABLE 1. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

ALL GROUPS

Percentage change from previous periods

Percentage change between -	State capital cities						Weighted average of six State capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
July 1969 and August 1969	+0.4	+0.8	..	+0.2	+0.4	+0.4	+0.4
August 1968 and August 1969	+5.3	+5.2	+4.9	+4.2	+3.9	+4.0	+4.9

10. Table 2 shows corresponding changes for the individual groups and All Groups of the index for the weighted average of the six State capital cities.

TABLE 2. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUPS AND ALL GROUPS - WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

Percentage change from previous periods

Group	Percentage change between -		Group	Percentage change between -	
	July 1969 and August 1969	August 1968 and August 1969		July 1969 and August 1969	August 1968 and August 1969
Concrete mix, cement, sand, etc.	+1.4	+4.6	Other metal products	+2.2	+20.7
Cement products	+0.2	+5.7	Plumbing fixtures	+0.6	+6.3
Bricks, stone, etc.	..	+4.4	Miscellaneous materials	+0.4	+1.0
Timber, board and joinery	+0.4	+5.4	Electrical installation materials	+0.8	+10.4
Steel and iron products	..	+3.8	Mechanical services components	+0.2	+3.9
Aluminium products	+0.3	+2.5	All groups	+0.4	+4.9

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING
ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS - SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	State capital cities						Weighted average of six State capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	102.6	101.7	102.2	101.8	102.0	102.3	102.2
1968-69	106.5	105.0	105.1	105.0	104.7	105.1	105.6
1967-68 -							
July	100.9	100.3	100.6	100.2	100.6	100.8	100.6
August	101.1	100.2	100.8	100.4	100.6	100.8	100.7
September	101.6	100.4	101.0	100.5	100.9	100.9	101.0
October	101.7	100.5	101.1	100.6	101.2	101.0	101.1
November	102.6	101.4	102.1	101.6	102.0	101.9	102.1
December	102.6	101.5	102.2	101.7	102.2	101.9	102.1
January	102.6	101.6	102.2	101.8	102.2	101.9	102.2
February	103.1	102.7	103.2	102.9	102.6	103.2	102.9
March	103.6	102.9	103.3	103.2	102.9	103.5	103.3
April	103.7	103.1	103.4	103.2	102.9	103.8	103.5
May	103.6	102.8	103.1	102.9	102.6	103.6	103.2
June	103.8	102.8	103.1	103.0	102.9	103.8	103.3
1968-69 -							
July	104.1	102.9	103.2	103.4	103.1	103.8	103.5
August	104.2	102.9	103.0	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.5
September	104.6	103.2	103.1	103.4	103.5	103.8	103.8
October	104.9	103.9	103.5	103.7	103.8	104.0	104.2
November	105.6	104.6	104.3	104.2	104.4	104.5	104.9
December	106.5	104.8	105.5	104.6	104.5	104.7	105.5
January	106.8	105.2	105.9	105.1	104.8	105.1	105.9
February	107.5	105.8	106.5	105.8	105.5	105.5	106.5
March	107.9	106.0	104.9	106.4	105.7	106.1	106.6
April	108.3	106.4	106.7	106.5	105.8	106.1	107.2
May	108.8	106.6	107.5	106.9	106.0	106.6	107.6
June	r109.2	107.1	107.6	107.1	106.4	106.9	r107.9
1969-70 -							
July p	r109.3	r107.3	108.0	107.4	106.8	107.4	r108.2
August p	109.7	108.2	108.0	107.6	107.2	107.8	108.6

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TABLE 4. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - SUMMARY

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber, Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminium Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscel- laneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	102.8	103.0	104.7	104.5	102.2	102.2	105.8	103.4	102.0	100.9	101.4	102.6
1968-69	105.7	109.0	109.1	109.7	106.6	106.4	108.8	102.9	102.3	102.1	107.6	106.5
1967-68												
July	102.7	101.4	102.4	101.5	101.3	102.0	96.1	101.3	101.1	97.5	100.0	100.9
August	102.7	101.4	104.0	102.2	101.6	102.0	95.0	101.3	101.4	97.6	99.3	101.1
September	102.7	101.4	104.0	104.6	101.6	102.0	93.5	104.1	101.8	97.6	99.9	101.6
October	102.7	101.6	104.9	104.6	101.0	102.0	93.4	104.1	101.8	97.6	99.9	101.7
November	102.7	102.9	104.9	104.8	101.7	102.0	110.8	104.1	102.3	102.2	100.4	102.6
December	102.7	102.9	104.9	104.8	101.7	102.0	110.8	104.1	102.3	102.2	100.6	102.6
January	102.7	102.9	104.9	104.3	101.7	102.0	110.8	104.1	102.3	104.0	102.2	103.1
February	102.4	102.9	104.9	104.8	102.2	102.0	110.8	104.1	102.3	104.0	102.6	103.6
March	103.0	103.0	104.9	104.8	103.0	102.0	116.2	104.1	102.1	104.0	102.6	103.7
April	103.0	104.2	104.9	104.8	103.2	102.0	116.2	104.1	102.3	100.9	104.0	103.6
May	103.0	105.5	104.9	105.6	103.4	102.0	105.4	102.4	102.3	100.9	104.7	103.8
June	103.0	106.2	106.5	105.7	103.5	104.7	101.1	102.4	101.8	100.9		
1968-69												
July	103.0	106.2	106.5	105.7	104.1	105.0	100.9	102.1	103.0	100.9	105.2	104.1
August	103.2	106.5	106.7	105.8	104.1	105.0	100.9	101.0	103.1	99.0	105.5	104.2
September	103.2	106.5	106.7	107.2	105.1	105.0	101.9	100.8	103.0	99.0	105.9	104.6
October	103.5	106.5	106.7	107.3	105.4	106.4	102.8	100.8	102.6	99.0	106.9	104.9
November	103.5	107.1	109.9	104.3	105.8	106.4	103.4	101.3	102.6	100.2	108.0	105.6
December	103.9	109.9	110.1	110.5	106.0	106.9	107.7	102.9	101.3	100.2	103.0	106.5
January	107.0	110.3	110.1	110.5	107.0	105.7	107.8	101.9	103.8	100.2	103.1	106.8
February	107.1	110.3	110.1	110.9	107.4	106.7	112.7	101.9	102.2	104.1	108.2	107.5
March	107.4	110.7	110.5	111.2	107.9	106.7	112.8	105.4	102.2	104.6	103.6	107.9
April	107.8	110.7	110.5	112.3	108.3	105.7	115.9	105.4	102.1	105.0	109.8	108.3
May	107.8	111.5	110.5	112.3	107.0	107.4	118.1	105.4	102.3	105.7	107.1	108.8
June	107.8	111.5	111.2	113.2	108.9	108.1	120.9	105.4	102.3	107.2	109.3	109.2
1969-70												
July p	107.9	111.5	111.2	112.8	109.0	108.3	121.5	109.5	102.2	108.4	109.4	109.3
August p	108.0	111.6	111.2	112.8	109.0	108.6	125.5	110.4	102.8	109.3	109.7	109.7

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TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - 'MELBOURNE

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber, Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminium Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscel- laneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	99.9	101.0	102.4	100.8	102.4	100.9	105.8	102.4	102.8	100.9	101.4	101.7
1963-69	101.1	103.1	107.3	104.0	106.2	104.0	106.7	103.4	104.3	102.1	108.0	105.0
1967-68												
July	100.1	100.4	100.5	100.2	101.3	100.6	95.8	99.7	101.2	97.5	100.0	100.3
August	100.1	100.4	101.0	100.2	101.3	100.6	95.8	100.2	101.2	97.6	99.3	100.2
September	100.1	100.4	101.6	100.2	101.3	100.7	96.3	103.2	101.2	97.6	99.9	100.4
October	100.1	100.6	102.8	100.2	101.3	100.7	98.3	103.2	101.2	97.6	99.9	100.5
November	100.1	100.6	102.8	100.4	101.4	100.7	110.6	103.2	101.8	102.2	100.4	101.4
December	100.1	100.6	102.8	100.4	101.4	100.7	110.6	102.8	103.8	102.2	100.5	101.5
January	100.1	100.6	102.8	100.4	101.4	101.1	110.6	102.3	103.8	102.2	100.7	101.6
February	99.7	100.6	102.8	100.6	103.8	101.1	110.6	102.8	103.8	104.0	102.3	102.7
March	99.7	100.6	102.8	100.7	103.8	101.1	110.4	102.8	103.8	104.0	102.7	102.9
April	99.7	102.4	102.8	102.0	104.0	101.1	116.4	102.0	103.0	104.0	102.7	103.1
May	99.7	102.4	102.8	102.0	104.0	101.0	106.3	102.8	103.8	100.9	104.1	102.8
June	99.7	102.4	103.0	102.1	104.0	101.1	101.3	102.8	104.0	100.9	104.8	102.8
1963-69												
July	99.7	102.4	103.2	102.2	104.0	102.3	98.7	102.8	104.1	100.9	105.5	102.9
August	99.7	102.4	104.4	102.2	104.0	102.3	99.1	102.8	104.1	99.0	105.8	102.9
September	99.7	102.4	104.5	102.3	104.4	103.0	101.7	103.2	104.1	99.0	105.2	103.2
October	101.5	102.4	107.8	103.1	104.5	104.4	102.4	103.2	104.0	99.0	107.2	103.9
November	101.5	102.4	108.1	103.6	107.7	104.4	103.5	103.8	104.0	100.2	108.3	104.5
December	101.5	102.4	108.1	103.6	106.0	104.6	105.4	102.8	104.0	100.2	108.4	104.8
January	101.5	102.4	108.4	103.8	107.2	105.0	104.5	102.8	104.0	100.2	108.4	105.2
February	101.5	102.4	108.7	104.6	107.4	104.2	109.0	102.3	104.3	104.1	108.5	105.8
March	101.5	102.4	108.7	104.7	107.7	103.7	109.5	103.1	104.4	104.6	108.9	106.0
April	101.7	104.7	108.7	105.5	107.8	104.2	112.5	105.1	104.4	105.0	109.1	106.4
May	101.7	105.6	108.7	105.6	107.8	104.2	114.8	105.2	104.8	105.7	109.5	106.6
June	101.7	105.6	108.7	106.7	107.8	105.0	118.8	105.2	104.8	107.2	109.6	107.1
1969-70												
July p	101.8	106.1	108.7	105.9	107.8	105.3	118.9	106.1	104.8	100.4	109.7	107.3
August p	107.4	106.6	108.7	107.9	107.9	106.0	119.5	106.4	105.2	109.3	110.0	108.2

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TABLE 6. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - BRISBANE

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber, Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminium Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscel- laneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	100.5	101.4	103.7	103.8	102.3	101.7	106.0	102.7	102.6	100.9	101.5	102.2
1968-69	100.5	107.0	107.8	107.5	106.2	101.6	103.4	103.5	103.6	102.1	107.6	105.1
1967-68												
July	99.8	99.9	100.9	102.0	101.4	101.7	96.1	101.0	102.0	97.5	100.1	100.6
August	99.8	100.9	103.9	102.5	101.4	101.7	95.9	103.9	102.0	97.6	99.4	100.8
September	99.8	100.9	104.0	103.1	101.4	101.7	96.8	103.9	102.1	97.6	100.0	101.0
October	99.8	100.9	104.0	103.4	101.4	101.7	98.7	102.3	101.5	97.6	100.0	101.1
November	100.8	101.4	104.0	104.3	101.4	101.7	111.0	102.3	102.0	102.2	100.5	102.1
December	100.8	101.4	104.0	104.3	101.4	101.7	111.0	102.7	103.1	102.2	100.5	102.2
January	100.8	101.4	104.0	104.2	101.4	101.7	111.0	102.7	103.1	102.2	100.7	102.2
February	100.8	100.9	104.0	104.2	103.7	101.7	111.0	102.7	103.1	104.0	102.3	102.2
March	100.8	100.9	104.0	104.2	103.4	101.7	116.5	102.7	103.1	104.0	102.7	103.3
April	100.8	102.7	104.0	104.2	103.5	101.7	116.5	102.7	103.1	104.0	102.7	103.4
May	100.8	102.7	104.0	104.2	103.5	101.7	106.7	102.7	103.1	100.9	104.1	103.1
June	100.8	102.7	104.0	104.8	103.5	101.7	101.3	102.7	103.1	100.9	104.8	103.1
1968-69												
July	100.8	102.5	104.0	104.8	103.5	101.7	101.3	102.7	103.1	100.9	105.2	103.2
August	100.8	102.5	104.0	104.8	103.5	101.7	101.3	102.7	103.3	99.0	105.5	103.0
September	100.8	102.5	104.3	104.8	103.5	101.1	101.4	102.7	103.4	99.0	106.0	103.1
October	95.8	102.5	104.3	104.8	105.9	101.3	102.4	102.5	103.3	99.0	106.9	103.5
November	91.8	104.7	109.2	107.7	105.9	101.3	102.4	103.0	103.3	100.2	108.0	104.3
December	104.2	104.7	109.6	108.0	106.3	101.3	102.2	102.6	103.8	100.2	109.1	105.5
January	104.2	104.7	109.6	108.1	107.6	101.4	102.9	102.6	103.7	100.2	100.1	105.9
February	104.1	107.9	109.6	108.2	108.1	101.5	103.8	102.6	103.5	104.1	103.2	106.5
March	89.1	109.3	109.6	109.0	106.9	101.7	105.1	104.2	103.8	104.6	103.6	104.9
April	103.7	113.9	109.6	109.6	107.0	101.7	100.9	105.3	104.0	105.0	108.3	106.7
May	103.7	114.4	109.6	110.2	108.6	101.7	106.5	105.3	104.1	105.7	109.2	107.5
June	104.3	114.1	109.7	110.2	107.8	102.4	110.5	105.4	104.1	107.2	109.3	107.6
1969-70												
July p	105.2	114.1	110.5	110.2	107.8	102.4	112.0	107.6	104.1	108.4	109.4	108.0
August p	105.2	114.1	110.5	110.4	107.5	102.4	112.8	108.2	103.7	109.3	109.7	108.0

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TABLE 7. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - ADELAIDE

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminium Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscel- laneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	101.2	101.9	104.6	101.5	102.3	100.1	106.0	102.7	101.1	100.9	101.4	101.8
1968-69	105.3	107.6	108.7	105.1	105.3	99.2	105.2	103.5	103.1	102.1	107.7	105.0
1967-68												
July	100.5	100.2	101.3	100.6	100.9	100.1	96.2	100.8	100.9	97.5	100.0	100.2
August	100.3	100.2	103.0	101.2	101.1	100.1	95.0	101.2	100.9	97.6	99.3	100.4
September	100.3	101.3	103.4	101.2	101.1	100.1	96.5	101.0	100.9	97.6	99.9	100.5
October	100.3	102.3	103.4	101.2	101.1	100.1	98.4	101.0	100.9	97.6	99.9	100.6
November	101.8	102.3	103.4	101.2	101.2	100.1	110.8	101.0	100.9	102.2	100.4	101.6
December	101.8	102.3	105.8	101.4	101.2	100.1	110.8	103.0	100.9	102.2	100.4	101.7
January	101.8	102.2	105.8	101.4	101.2	100.1	110.8	103.1	100.9	102.2	100.6	101.8
February	101.5	102.2	105.8	101.4	101.9	100.1	110.8	103.1	101.4	104.0	102.2	102.9
March	101.5	102.2	105.8	101.9	101.9	100.1	116.5	103.1	101.4	104.0	102.6	103.2
April	101.5	102.2	105.8	101.9	104.0	100.1	116.5	103.1	101.4	104.0	102.6	103.2
May	101.5	102.9	105.8	101.9	104.1	100.1	106.4	103.1	101.4	100.9	104.0	102.9
June	101.5	102.9	105.8	102.2	104.2	100.2	101.9	103.1	101.5	100.9	104.7	103.0
1968-69												
July	104.6	102.9	105.8	102.3	104.2	100.4	100.6	103.2	102.0	100.9	105.1	103.4
August	104.6	102.9	105.8	102.8	104.2	99.2	100.6	102.8	102.0	99.0	105.5	103.3
September	105.0	102.9	105.8	102.8	104.4	99.2	99.5	102.8	101.8	99.0	105.9	103.4
October	105.3	106.4	105.8	103.1	104.4	99.2	101.2	102.8	101.4	99.0	106.9	103.7
November	105.5	106.4	106.4	103.9	104.5	99.2	101.2	102.7	101.7	100.2	108.0	104.2
December	105.4	109.6	110.4	104.2	104.7	99.2	102.9	102.7	102.2	100.2	108.0	104.6
January	105.5	109.6	110.4	105.0	105.5	99.4	103.2	102.7	102.9	100.2	108.0	105.1
February	105.4	109.6	110.4	105.2	105.8	99.4	108.0	102.7	104.3	104.1	108.2	105.8
March	105.5	109.6	110.9	107.7	106.6	98.7	108.0	104.5	104.3	104.6	108.6	106.4
April	105.5	109.6	110.9	107.7	106.6	98.7	109.7	104.8	104.4	105.0	108.8	106.5
May	105.6	110.6	110.9	108.3	106.6	98.7	112.7	104.8	105.2	105.7	109.1	106.9
June	105.6	110.6	110.9	108.4	106.5	99.3	114.6	104.9	105.5	107.2	109.3	107.1
1969-70												
July p	105.6	110.6	110.9	108.4	106.6	99.2	116.8	106.0	106.8	106.4	109.4	107.4
August p	105.6	110.6	110.9	108.4	106.6	99.2	119.7	106.0	106.8	109.3	109.6	107.6

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TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - PERCENT

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber, Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminum Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscellaneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	100.6	104.3	103.0	104.1	101.7	99.7	105.7	101.7	102.7	100.9	101.4	102.0
1968-69	101.4	108.1	106.2	108.0	104.2	101.8	106.4	103.4	103.9	102.1	107.5	104.7
1967-68												
July	100.1	102.3	102.8	103.0	100.7	99.7	96.1	100.9	101.4	97.5	100.0	100.6
August	100.6	102.3	102.8	103.0	100.7	99.7	95.9	101.8	101.4	97.6	99.3	100.6
September	100.6	103.7	102.8	103.3	101.2	99.7	96.4	101.8	101.5	97.6	99.9	100.9
October	100.6	103.7	103.0	104.0	101.8	99.7	93.3	101.8	101.5	97.6	99.9	101.2
November	103.6	103.6	103.0	104.0	101.8	99.7	110.6	101.8	102.0	102.2	100.4	102.0
December	100.6	103.6	103.0	104.3	101.8	99.7	110.7	101.8	103.1	102.2	100.4	102.2
January	100.6	103.9	103.0	104.3	101.8	99.7	110.7	101.8	103.2	102.2	100.6	102.2
February	100.6	104.9	103.0	104.3	101.8	99.7	110.7	101.8	103.6	104.0	102.2	102.6
March	100.6	104.8	103.0	104.7	101.8	99.7	116.1	101.3	103.6	104.0	102.7	102.9
April	100.6	105.4	103.0	104.8	101.8	99.7	116.1	101.3	103.6	104.0	102.7	102.9
May	100.6	106.4	103.0	104.8	102.0	99.7	136.3	101.8	103.6	100.9	104.0	102.6
June	101.2	106.4	103.3	105.2	102.8	99.2	100.9	101.9	103.6	100.9	104.0	102.9
1968-69												
July	101.2	106.4	104.8	105.2	102.8	99.7	100.7	101.9	103.6	100.9	105.1	103.1
August	101.2	106.4	105.0	106.3	102.8	100.2	100.9	101.9	103.8	99.0	105.4	103.2
September	101.3	106.4	105.0	107.2	103.6	100.2	100.0	101.9	103.8	99.0	105.8	103.5
October	101.3	106.9	105.0	107.4	103.5	102.2	101.0	101.9	103.8	99.0	106.3	103.8
November	101.3	107.7	106.1	107.9	104.0	102.2	101.0	101.9	133.8	100.2	107.8	104.4
December	101.3	108.1	106.3	103.2	104.1	102.4	103.0	103.5	103.8	100.2	107.9	104.5
January	101.3	108.8	106.3	108.3	104.6	102.4	105.2	104.5	103.8	100.2	107.9	104.8
February	101.6	108.9	107.1	108.9	104.8	102.4	103.8	104.5	104.0	104.1	108.1	105.5
March	101.6	108.9	107.1	103.9	105.0	102.6	109.8	104.6	104.0	104.6	108.4	105.7
April	101.6	108.9	107.1	108.9	105.0	102.6	112.1	104.8	104.4	105.0	108.6	105.8
May	101.6	108.9	107.1	109.3	105.0	102.6	114.9	104.8	104.2	105.7	108.9	106.0
June	101.6	110.4	107.1	109.9	105.0	102.6	118.2	104.8	104.3	107.2	103.0	106.4
1969-70												
July p	102.2	110.4	107.5	110.0	105.0	103.7	118.1	107.3	105.4	108.4	109.2	106.8
August p	102.4	110.4	107.5	110.9	105.0	103.2	122.0	107.3	107.3	109.3	109.4	107.2

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TABLE 9. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - HOBERT

(Base of each Index : Year 1956-57 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber, Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminium Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscel- laneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	104.8	100.4	103.1	101.7	102.5	100.8	105.9	103.2	101.7	100.9	101.4	102.3
1968-69	108.0	103.8	106.5	103.8	105.5	99.6	103.1	105.5	103.0	102.1	107.7	105.1
1967-68												
July	104.1	100.1	101.4	101.0	101.3	100.7	96.1	100.2	101.2	97.5	100.0	100.8
August	104.1	100.1	101.4	101.0	101.3	100.7	96.1	100.8	101.2	97.6	99.3	100.8
September	104.1	100.1	101.4	101.3	101.3	100.7	95.6	100.7	101.3	97.6	99.9	100.9
October	104.1	100.1	101.6	101.3	101.3	100.7	98.5	101.7	101.3	97.6	99.9	101.0
November	104.2	100.1	101.9	101.7	101.4	100.7	113.9	103.7	101.8	102.2	100.4	101.9
December	104.2	100.1	101.9	101.7	101.4	100.9	110.9	103.7	101.8	102.2	100.4	101.9
January	104.2	100.1	101.9	101.7	101.4	100.9	113.9	103.7	101.8	102.2	100.6	101.9
February	104.2	100.1	104.5	101.7	103.9	100.9	110.9	103.7	101.8	104.0	102.3	103.2
March	104.2	100.1	104.5	102.3	103.9	100.9	115.3	103.7	101.8	104.0	102.7	103.5
April	106.6	100.9	104.5	102.3	104.1	100.9	115.3	103.7	101.9	104.0	102.7	103.8
May	107.0	101.5	104.5	102.3	104.1	100.9	106.5	103.7	102.2	100.9	104.1	103.8
June	107.0	101.9	108.2	102.4	104.2	101.1	101.1	103.7	102.4	100.9	104.8	103.8
1968-69												
July	107.0	103.1	108.2	102.4	104.2	99.4	101.1	103.7	102.5	100.9	105.3	103.8
August	107.0	103.1	108.3	102.4	104.2	99.5	101.1	103.7	102.4	99.0	105.6	103.7
September	107.0	103.7	108.4	102.5	104.2	99.5	101.1	103.7	103.0	99.0	106.0	103.8
October	107.2	103.7	108.4	102.5	104.3	99.5	101.1	103.7	103.0	99.0	107.0	104.0
November	107.6	103.7	108.6	103.2	104.6	99.5	101.1	104.6	103.0	100.2	108.1	104.5
December	107.6	103.7	108.6	104.2	104.9	99.5	101.1	104.6	103.0	100.2	108.1	104.7
January	108.6	103.7	108.6	104.2	105.8	99.5	101.1	104.6	103.0	100.2	108.1	105.1
February	108.8	103.7	108.6	104.7	105.8	99.5	101.1	104.6	103.1	104.1	108.3	105.5
March	108.8	103.7	108.6	104.7	107.0	99.5	102.1	108.3	103.2	104.6	108.7	106.1
April	108.8	103.7	108.6	104.7	107.1	99.5	102.1	108.3	103.2	105.0	108.9	106.1
May	108.8	103.7	108.6	104.7	107.1	100.2	112.3	108.3	103.3	105.7	109.2	106.6
June	108.8	106.4	108.7	105.7	107.1	100.3	112.3	108.3	103.2	107.2	109.3	106.9
1969-70												
July p	108.8	106.4	109.2	107.9	107.2	100.4	113.2	108.8	103.2	108.4	109.5	107.4
August p	108.8	106.6	109.2	108.4	107.2	100.4	117.3	111.5	103.9	109.3	109.7	107.8

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TABLE 10. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete Mix, Cement, Sand, etc.	Cement Products	Bricks, Stone, etc.	Timber, Board and Joinery	Steel and Iron Products	Aluminium Products	Other Metal Products	Plumbing Fixtures	Miscel- laneous Materials	Electrical Installation Materials (b)	Mechanical Services Components	All Groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	101.5	102.2	103.7	103.0	102.3	101.4	105.9	102.8	102.3	100.9	101.4	102.2
1968-69	103.5	106.8	108.2	107.2	106.1	103.9	105.8	103.3	103.2	102.1	107.7	105.6
1967-68												
July	101.3	100.9	101.6	101.2	101.2	101.2	96.0	100.7	101.3	97.5	100.0	100.6
August	101.3	101.0	102.9	101.6	101.3	101.2	95.9	101.4	101.4	97.6	99.3	100.7
September	101.3	101.2	103.1	102.7	101.4	101.2	96.5	103.5	101.6	97.6	99.9	101.0
October	101.3	101.4	103.8	102.8	101.5	101.2	93.4	103.3	101.5	97.6	99.9	101.1
November	101.5	102.0	103.8	103.1	101.6	101.2	110.8	103.3	102.0	102.2	100.4	102.1
December	101.6	102.0	104.1	103.1	101.6	101.2	110.8	103.3	102.7	102.2	100.4	102.1
January	101.6	102.0	104.1	103.1	101.6	101.4	110.8	103.3	102.7	102.2	100.6	102.2
February	101.3	102.0	104.1	103.2	103.0	101.4	110.8	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.2	102.9
March	101.5	102.1	104.1	103.3	103.3	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.7	104.0	102.7	103.3
April	101.6	103.4	104.1	103.7	103.5	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.7	103.5
May	101.6	104.0	104.1	103.9	103.6	101.3	106.4	102.6	102.8	100.9	104.0	103.2
June	101.7	104.3	104.9	104.2	103.7	102.4	101.2	102.6	102.7	100.9	104.8	103.3
1968-69												
July	101.9	104.3	105.1	104.2	103.9	102.9	109.3	102.5	103.3	100.9	105.3	103.5
August	102.1	104.4	105.5	104.8	103.9	103.0	103.4	102.0	103.3	99.0	105.6	103.5
September	102.1	104.5	105.6	105.0	104.5	102.9	101.3	102.0	103.3	99.0	106.0	103.8
October	102.1	104.8	106.5	105.3	105.0	104.0	102.3	102.0	103.1	99.0	107.0	104.2
November	102.0	105.4	106.7	106.4	105.5	104.0	102.8	102.2	103.1	100.2	108.1	104.9
December	104.5	106.9	109.1	107.4	105.7	104.3	105.3	103.0	102.7	100.2	108.1	105.5
January	104.6	107.1	109.2	107.5	106.8	104.4	105.4	102.6	102.5	100.2	108.1	105.9
February	104.7	107.5	109.4	108.0	107.1	104.1	103.5	102.5	103.3	104.1	108.3	106.5
March	102.8	107.8	109.6	108.5	107.3	104.0	109.9	104.5	101.3	104.6	108.7	106.6
April	105.0	109.1	109.6	109.2	107.5	104.1	111.7	105.3	103.4	105.0	108.9	107.2
May	105.0	109.7	109.6	109.4	108.0	104.4	114.8	105.3	103.6	105.7	109.2	107.6
June	105.1	109.9	109.9	110.1	107.9	105.1	117.9	105.3	103.6	107.2	109.4	107.9
1969-70												
July p	105.3	110.1	110.1	110.1	107.9	105.3	118.6	107.8	103.9	108.4	109.5	108.2
August p	106.8	110.3	110.1	110.5	107.9	105.6	121.2	108.4	104.3	109.3	109.7	108.6

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Footnotes and Symbols

The following footnotes and symbols are standard throughout tables 3-10.

- (a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.
- (b) The Wholesale Price Index of Electrical Installation Materials is used as the indicator for this group. This indicator was on a quarterly basis until February 1969 when monthly compilation was commenced.

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r - revised

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