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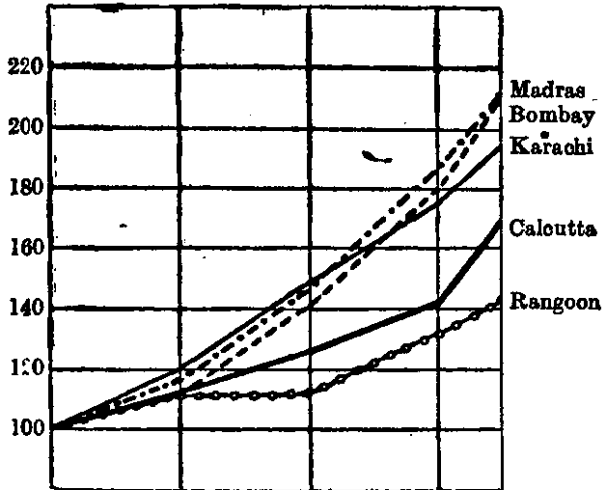
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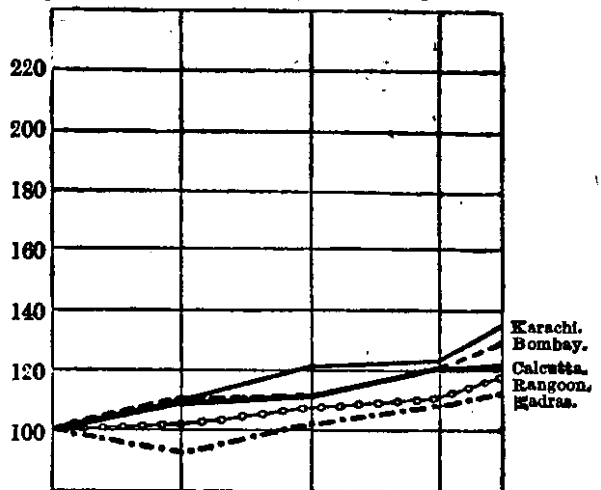


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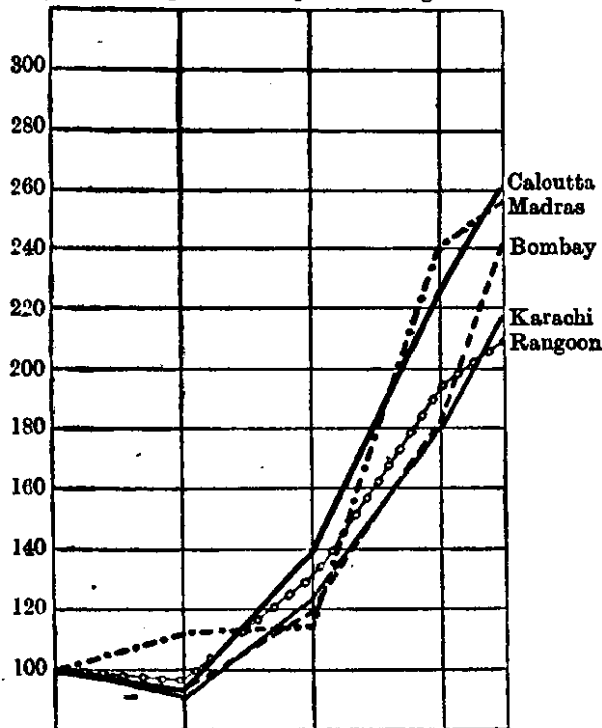


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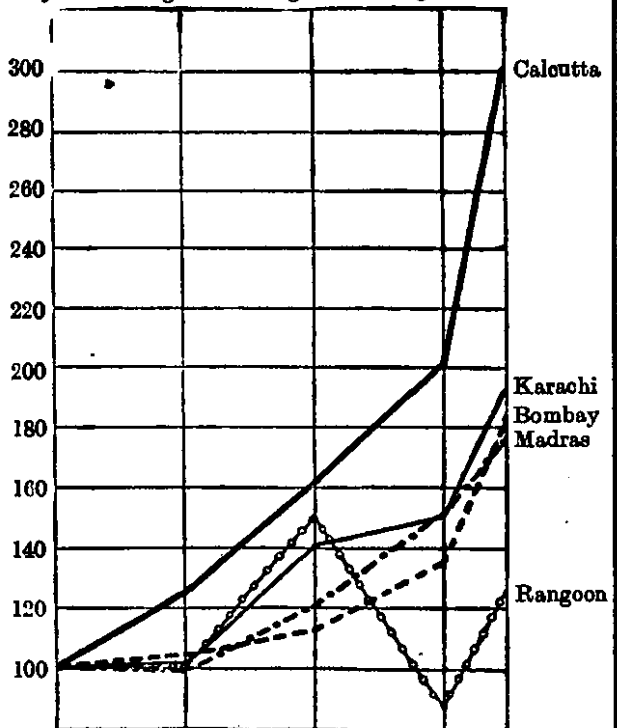


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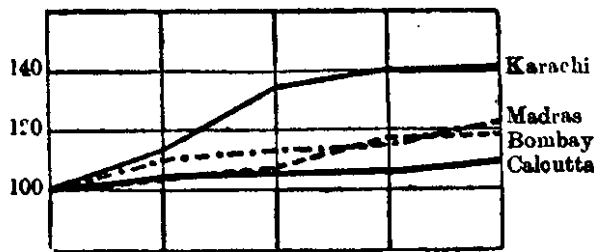


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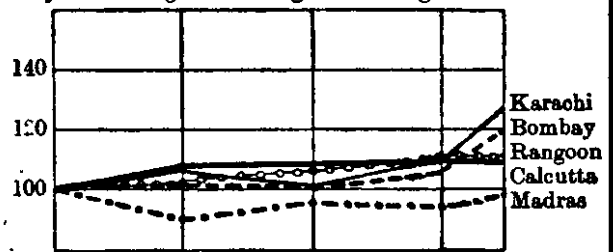


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FOOD-GRAINS.

(Retail Prices.)

July '14. Aug. '15. Aug. '16. Aug. '17. Dec. '17.



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NOTE.—1. Prices at the end of July 1914 (pre-war month)=100 for all ports except Rangoon in the case of retail prices, for which prices at the middle of August 1914=100.
2. House rents in 1913 (pre-war year)=100.

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WAR PRICES AND HOUSE RENTS AT THE END OF 1917.

The tables in this volume have been compiled with a view to show the fluctuations in wholesale and retail prices of certain principal articles of consumption in the ports and in the various provinces throughout India at the end of each year since the outbreak of war, and subsequent to August 1917. House rents in the ports of Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, and Madras have also been collected to indicate approximately the change in the price of house room in these ports during the same period. Scope of the statistics

2. The sources of the data are given below each table and are, for prices, mainly the prices current published by Chambers of Commerce, the fortnightly returns published by Local Governments, etc., and for rents, the Collector of Bombay, the Municipality of Karachi, the Administrator General, Bengal, certain land-holders of Calcutta, and the Corporation of Madras. Sources.

3. To obtain a measure of the general trend of prices, including the price of house room (house rents), recourse is had to the method of index numbers. A period is selected as the standard (in this case the period immediately preceding the outbreak of the war, July, 1914), and with the prices of this period comparisons are made of prices in subsequent years, the prices being expressed in the different years as percentages of the price of the commodities in the standard or basic period. These index numbers show the rise in prices in the various ports but there is of course a limit to their use. They are mainly the finger posts of the fluctuation in price levels. The general average of the index number is unweighted. These index numbers do not pretend to show the *relative* prices in different ports or provinces since the articles are, for example, in the case of Calcutta, not entirely the same as those elsewhere, and 100 in the standard period does not accordingly represent the same price in the different markets. The index numbers, however, are extremely valuable in that they show generally, although roughly, the *comparative* rise in each of the ports of Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, Madras, and Rangoon as well as in other markets. Method of compilation.

Wholesale Prices.

4. As compared with the pre-war period, July, 1914, the wholesale prices of imported articles show a great leap upwards. In Calcutta, at the end of December, 1917, salt* rose 498 per cent. Metals increased by 188 per cent, cotton manufactures 173 per cent, jute manufactures 112 per cent, raw cotton 149 per cent, sugar* 88 per cent, kerosene oil 53 per cent, coal 160 per cent, shellac 202 per cent, indigo 71 per cent, saltpetre 60 per cent, raw wool 36 per cent, ghee 32 per cent, and hides and skins 10 per cent. Food-grains and oilseeds declined by 8 and 12 per cent, respectively. Wholesale prices. In Calcutta.

The general level of wholesale prices in Calcutta, at the end of December, 1917, was 68 per cent higher than at the outbreak of the war, as against 13 per cent in August, 1915, 26 per cent in August, 1916, and 42 per cent in August, 1917.

5. In Bombay wholesale prices show considerable fluctuations, the most noticeable increases being in metals (393 per cent), turmeric (193 per cent), cotton manufactures (140 per cent), raw cotton (145 per cent), salt (121 per cent), coal (117 per cent), sugar (70 per cent), kerosene oil (52 per cent), ghee (38 per cent), and food-grains (26 per cent). There was a fall of 7 per cent in oilseeds and of 4 per cent in hides and skins. In Bombay.

Wholesale prices in Bombay, at the end of December, 1917, including those of imported articles which have risen considerably on account of the war, were 109 per cent higher than the pre-war level. The rise in August, 1915, was 12 per cent, in August, 1916, 41 per cent, and in August, 1917, 79 per cent.

6. The rise in wholesale prices in Karachi was most noticeable in metals (466 per cent), sugar (106 per cent), cotton manufactures (130 per cent), jute manufactures (54 per cent), coal (56 per cent), kerosene oil (51 per cent), raw wool (36 per cent), and food-grains (24 per cent). There was a fall of 20 per cent in hides and 6 per cent in oilseeds. In Karachi.

* The prices of salt and sugar in Calcutta have since fallen, the index numbers at the end of March, 1918, showing a rise of 407 and 81 per cent respectively, over the pre-war level.

At the end of December, 1917, the wholesale price level in Karachi was 94 per cent higher than the pre-war level, as against 20 per cent in August, 1915, 48 per cent in August, 1916, and 75 per cent in August, 1917.

In Madras.

7. Wholesale prices in Madras show a rise of 111 per cent, mainly on account of the great increase in the prices of metals (468 per cent), cotton manufactures (175 per cent), raw cotton (102 per cent), coal (154 per cent), kerosene oil (47 per cent), salt (100 per cent), and turmeric (212 per cent). Oilseeds also rose by 4 per cent, but there was a fall of 39 per cent in groundnuts, 11 per cent in coconut oil, 5 per cent in food-grains, and 2 per cent in hides and skins.

In Rangoon.

8. In Rangoon wholesale prices rose 43 per cent, owing to a rise in metals (140 per cent), salt (112 per cent), coal (103 per cent), food-grains—pulses (100 per cent), sugar (98 per cent), cotton manufactures (91 per cent), and silk raw (66 per cent). On the other hand, there was a fall of 32 per cent in food-grains—cereals, 36 per cent in oilseeds (groundnut), 21 per cent in coconut oil, and 8 per cent in ghee.

Wholesale prices of wheat at principal markets.

9. Table 6 on page 12 shows the wholesale prices of wheat since the outbreak of war at the chief markets in India. The price of this important article of consumption has not, of course, risen as in consuming countries. The chief feature of this table is that the average wholesale price of wheat in the 15 principal markets at the end of December, 1917, was 25 per cent higher than the pre-war level, as against 14 per cent in August, 1915, and one per cent in August, 1917. In August, 1916, it was one per cent below the pre-war level. The highest rise was reported from the Punjab (Ferozepur 50 per cent), and the lowest from Bihar and Orissa (Bhagalpur 7 per cent). Another feature of the table is that the average wholesale price of wheat after three years of war (August, 1917) was only one per cent above the level of the pre-war period.

Wholesale prices in provinces.

10. Table 7 on pages 13—17 shows the average wholesale prices of staple food-crops (rice, wheat, barley, jawar, maize, gram, and arhar dal), ghee, raw sugar (gur), and salt in each of the provinces in India since the outbreak of the war.

The percentage fluctuations at the end of the third year of war (August, 1917) and December, 1917, are shown in the following summary table:—

Wholesale Provincial Prices.

(NOTE—100=pro-war price at the end of July, 1914)

PROVINCE	RICE		WHEAT		BARLEY		JAWAR		MAIZE		GRAM		ARHAR DAL		GHEE		RAW SUGAR (GUR)		SALT	
	END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF		END OF	
	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
Burma	79	81	141	121	..	..	93	93	100	100	115	115	120	114	110	110	..	..	158	188
Assam	81	56	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	119	112	128	120	200	250	
Bengal	78	57	117	113	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	108	88	80	108	126	114	116	220	267
Bihar and Orissa	66	60	90	107	78	87	75	77	63	66	70	73	73	74	122	181	144	123	175	242
United Provinces	90	83	97	118	84	93	69	85	71	77	68	81	66	72	110	110	133	125	125	256
Delhi	92	94	106	128	92	115	65	82	..	104	88	99	64	70	128	181	145	116	129	233
Punjab	88	95	119	146	107	127	121	143	78	97	96	126	85	107	136	187	109	117	141	263
North-West Frontier Province	105	105	115	139	128	148	127	118	101	108	116	137	69	82	135	139	116	110	133	193
Sind and Baluchistan	86	96	119	145	119	139	95	144	100	118	105	..	80	94	145	160	..	..	..	..
Bombay	96	95	100	128	91	114	120	154	..	..	86	102	101	110	153	114	116	111	..	..
Central Provinces and Berar	87	90	95	116	..	..	94	110	..	..	87	89	76	90	129	121	..	..	138	181
Madras	87	86	..	..	..	..	109	112	..	..	104	104	107	107	100	97	107	116	142	146
INDIA	86	83	110	126	100	118	97	112	85	96	94	103	84	91	125	124	124	118	156	221

Retail Prices.

Retail prices in ports.

11. The statistics of retail prices have been compiled from the Calcutta Municipal Market Reports for the port of Calcutta, the prices current published by the Director of Agriculture, Bombay, for the ports of Bombay and Karachi, the fortnightly returns of prices furnished by the Board of Revenue, Madras, for the port of Madras, and special returns obtained from the Commissioner of Settlements and Land Records, Burma, for the port of Rangoon. These index numbers

are unweighted index numbers, i.e., the articles have been given an equal importance in the general average. Food-grains, however, have been indirectly weighted by more than one kind of a food-grain having been included in the index number. The Indian, unlike the European, is, in the main, if not entirely, a vegetarian, and food-grains, salt, milk, ghee, and vegetables largely enter into his family budget. It will be seen from the tables that the rise in retail prices since the outbreak of war was at the end of December 1917, 21 per cent in Calcutta, 29 per cent in Bombay, and 35 per cent in Karachi. The increase in prices in Bombay and Karachi was approximately the same as that in Calcutta at the end of the third year of war, but the rise from August to December 1917, was 10 per cent in Karachi and 8 per cent in Bombay as compared with one per cent in Calcutta. In Rangoon retail prices rose, as compared with those at the outbreak of war, 17 per cent at the end of December 1917.

12. The retail prices of food-grains were, at the end of December, 1917, 9 Food-grains. per cent above the pre-war level in Calcutta, 19 per cent in Bombay, 27 per cent in Karachi, and 11 per cent in Rangoon. The index numbers of retail Salt and other articles. prices of salt and other staple articles at the end of December, 1917, as compared with the pre-war level, in the five ports, are shown in the following table :—

	Calcutta	Bombay	Karachi	Madras	Rangoon
Food-grains-Cereals	110	119	128	98	90
" Pulses	107	118	117	103†	141
Sugar	182	172	200	167†	98
Salt	300	184	194	177	125
Ghee	150	129	136	97†	100
Coal†	260	217	156	254	203
Kerosene oil	144	147	146	147†	123
Piceogoods†	261	241	217	256	209

The greatest rise in retail prices in the different ports was in salt 200 per cent (Calcutta), sugar 100 per cent (Karachi,) and kerosene oil 47 per cent (Bombay).

Freights.

13. Table No. 14 shows the open market rates of maritime freights for certain staple articles from Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi and Madras. The figures show that the level of freights at the end of December 1917, was from 8 to 27 times the pre-war rate. It should, however, be noted that a considerable proportion of the exports are being carried at "Blue Book" rates which are very much lower than the rates in the open freight market.

House rents.

14. It will be remembered that the Prices Enquiry Committee collected statistics of house rents for Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, and Madras from 1890 to 1912. These statistics have been brought up to December, 1917, with the assistance of local authorities, both official and non-official.

The net results of the enquiry into house rents are summed up in the following table :—

Variations in house rents as compared with the pre-war year, 1913.

	1913 (pre-war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
Karachi	100	114	135	140	141
Madras	100	111	113	115	122
Bombay	100	103	107	117	118
Calcutta	100	104	105	106	109

The fluctuations in house rents in the various wards or divisions of these ports are given in tables Nos. 15 to 19. Rents have increased, as compared with the pre-war rate, chiefly in Karachi and least in Calcutta, the rise in Karachi being 41 per cent, in Madras 22 per cent, in Bombay 18 per cent, and in Calcutta 9 per cent. In Karachi the quarters which show the greatest rise are the

† Wholesale price, retail price not being available.

In Madras. "Garden" quarter (100 per cent) and Machi Meani (82 per cent). Runchore comes next with a rise of 69 per cent, Ramswami 59 per cent, Preedy 50 per cent, and Frere Town, Sadar Bazar, Lyari, and Napier between 42 and 46 per cent. In Madras the 20th Division shows the greatest rise (64 per cent). The 16th Division comes next with 52 per cent, and the 6th and 9th Divisions 33 and 38 per cent, respectively. In Bombay Ward G has the highest rise (30 per cent), and Wards D, E, and F, 21 to 24 per cent. In Calcutta Ward No. 8 has the highest figure (38 per cent), and Ward 4 comes next with 15 per cent. Table No. 15 page 24 shows the details of each ward or division.

In Bombay.
In Calcutta.

General Summary and Conclusions.

Pr o m.

15. The general conclusions that may be drawn from these tables are :—

- (1) Crudely stated there was a rise in *wholesale* market prices in Madras 111 per cent, in Bombay 109 per cent, in Karachi 94 per cent, in Calcutta 68 per cent and in Rangoon 43 per cent at the end of December, 1917, as compared with the level at the outbreak of the war (Paragraphs 4 to 8).
- (2) *Retail* prices (chiefly foodstuffs) in the same period increased 35 per cent in Karachi, 29 per cent in Bombay, 21 per cent in Calcutta, 17 per cent in Rangoon and 13 per cent in Madras.* (Paragraph 11.)
- (3) The rise in wholesale prices was at the end of December 1917 most marked in regard to the following articles :—

Calcutta		Bombay		Karachi		Madras		Rangoon	
	Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.
Salt . . .	498	Metals . . .	393	Metals . . .	466	Metals . . .	468	Metals . . .	140†
Shellac . . .	202	Turmeric . . .	193	Salt . . .	179	Turmeric . . .	212	Salt . . .	112
Turmeric . . .	199							Coal . . .	103
Metals . . .	188	Cotton, raw . . .	145	Cotton, raw . . .	137	Cotton ma- nufactures . . .	175	Food grains pulses . . .	109
Cotton manu- factures . . .	173	Cotton ma- nufactures . . .	140	Cotton ma- nufactures . . .	130	Coal . . .	154	Sugar . . .	99
Coal . . .	160	Salt . . .	121	Sugar . . .	106	Cotton, raw . . .	102	Cotton ma- nufactures . . .	91
Cotton, raw . . .	149	Coal . . .	117	Coal . . .	56	Salt . . .	100		

(4) The rise in retail prices was most marked in regard to the following articles :—

Calcutta		Bombay		Karachi		Madras		Rangoon	
	Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.		Per cent.
Salt . . .	200	Salt . . .	84	Sugar . . .	100	Salt . . .	77	Cotton piece-goods	115
Sugar . . .	82	Sugar . . .	72	Salt . . .	94			Pulses, Dal . . .	41
Cheese . . .	81	Milk . . .	50	Onions . . .	64			Condensed milk . . .	36
Onions . . .	64	Kerosene oil . . .	47	Eggs . . .	60			Turmeric . . .	33
Ghee . . .	50	Onions . . .	42	Kerosene oil . . .	46			Salt . . .	25
Kerosene oil . . .	44	Potatoes . . .	34	Potatoes . . .	44			Kerosene oil . . .	23

Briefly speaking, Calcutta showed at the end of December, 1917, the greatest rise in salt and ghee, Bombay in milk, tea, and meat, Karachi in sugar, wheat flour, eggs, potatoes, and cereals, and Rangoon in pulses. The retail prices of edible oil, ‡ on the other hand, decreased in all the ports, Bombay showing the greatest decrease (31 per cent).

- (5) The above index numbers, brought up to date, show that the rise in the retail food prices at the end of March 1918, over the pre-war level, was 39 per cent. in Karachi, 30 per cent. in Bombay, 13 per cent. in Calcutta, 8 per cent. in Rangoon and 6 per cent. in Madras. As compared with December 1917, food prices have fallen in Calcutta and Madras, while they have risen in Karachi, Bombay and Rangoon.

* The index number of *retail* prices in Madras is based on quotations for only a few articles. This should be noted in making comparisons with retail prices at other ports.

† Declared value.

‡ Mustard oil in the case of Calcutta, sesamum oil in the case of Rangoon, and coconut oil in the case of the other ports.

The following statistics, compiled from the Labour Gazette of the Ministry of Labour, London, give the latest available information regarding the advance in food prices in countries abroad :—

	Percentage rise over the pre-war level (July 1914).		Percentage rise over the pre-war level (July 1914).
	(a)		
Vienna	173.2 (August 1917)	Denmark	66.3 (July 1917)
Norway	130 (November 1917)	Lisbon (Portugal) (1913 = 100)	65 (June 1917)
	(a)	Canada	65 (December 1917)
Berlin	110.5 (November 1916)	United States	51 (November 15, 1917)
United Kingdom	107 (March 1, 1918)	Holland (1913=100)	41.4 (September 1917)
	(b)	New Zealand	30.5 (November 1917)
Sweden	99.6 (November 1917)	Australia	29.4 (September 1917)
Switzerland	90 (December 1, 1917)		
	(June 1, 1914=100)		
Paris	84 (October 1917)		
Italy	71.6 (July 1917)		

(6) The greatest rise in *house rents* at the end of 1917 was in Karachi *House rents.* (41 per cent), as compared with the pre-war year (1913). Next comes Madras (22 per cent), followed by Bombay (18 per cent). Calcutta shows the least rise (9 per cent). (Paragraph 14.)

The cardinal fact as regards Indian prices at the present time is that we are dealing mainly with a world problem.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, INDIA,
Calcutta, the 25th April, 1918.





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(a) "With regard to the figures for Berlin and Vienna, it must be remembered that these no longer afford any index to the state of supplies and, being based on artificially fixed maximum prices, are not comparable with figures which are mainly based on the prices in a free market. For all the articles enumerated for Berlin, and for most of those for Vienna, consumption is strictly controlled by a system of rationing." The Board of Trade Labour Gazette, January, 1917.

(b) Including fuel and lighting.

WHOLESALE PRICES—CALCUTTA

No. 1—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) in Calcutta at the end of December 1917 and August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice, Ballam No. 1	Maund	Rs. A. P. 5 13 0	Rs. A. P. 6 8 0	Rs. A. P. 5 9 0	Rs. A. P. 5 9 0	Rs. A. P. 5 3 0	100	110	96	96	84
" Bahree " 1	"	5 4 0	5 10 0	5 11 0	4 9 0	3 13 0	100	107	108	87	77
" Nagra " 1	"	5 0 0	5 10 0	5 10 0	5 0 0	4 9 0	100	112	112	100	91
" Table " 1	"	5 7 0	7 10 0	8 14 0	5 12 0	5 5 0	100	140	163	106	106
Average—Rice	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	117	120	97	88
Wheat, Club No. 3	Maund	4 5 10	4 15 0	4 5 0	4 9 0	5 3 6	100	112	99	105	121
Barley	"	3 6 0	3 14 0	3 0 0	2 1 0	2 10 0	100	115	89	61	77
Maize	"	2 13 0	(a) 3 2 0	3 2 0	2 2 3	2 5 0	100	111	111	76	82
Oats	"	3 5 0	(b) 3 12 0	3 0 0	2 14 0	2 12 0	100	113	91	87	82
Average—Food grains—Cereals											
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Peas, white	Maund	4 0 0	4 12 0	3 14 0	3 10 0	3 5 0	100	119	97	91	81
" green	"	2 15 0	4 1 0	3 6 0	2 13 0	2 12 0	100	138	115	96	94
" khesari, Deshi	"	3 4 0	3 12 0	3 0 0	2 4 0	1 15 0	100	115	92	69	64
Average—Peas	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	124	101	85	78
Gram, Deshi	Maund	3 6 0	3 6 6	2 13 0	2 11 0	2 10 6	100	101	83	60	51
Dal, Arhar	"	5 4 0	6 0 0	5 1 0	4 6 6	5 2 0	100	114	86	84	91
" Mung, Sona	"	9 0 0	14 0 0	13 8 0	14 0 0	15 0 0	100	158	150	158	161
Average—Food grains—Pulses	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	124	105	88	87
3. Sugar—											
Java T. M. O. (white)	Maund	6 12 0	12 3 6	13 13 0	13 13 0	11 4 0	100	180	205	205	16
Manritius	"	6 9 0	11 14 0	12 15 0	13 0 0	(g) 13 0 0	100	181	197	198	10
Cossipore, 1st class (white)	"	7 7 0	13 0 0	14 14 0	15 12 0	16 0 0	100	175	200	212	21
" Grey No. 2	"	6 6 0	11 8 0	13 0 0	(c) 13 4 0	(c) 13 4 0	100	180	204	208	20
Valley gur	"	5 4 0	6 12 0	5 12 0	6 12 0	8 0 0	100	129	109	129	15
Average—Sugar	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	169	183	190	188
4. Tea—											
Assam Pekoe	lb.	0 7 9	0 8 9	0 8 3	0 7 0	0 7 6	100	118	104	90	8
Broken Pekoe	"	0 8 6	0 9 3	0 9 3	0 7 0	0 7 4	100	109	109	82	8
Pekoe Souchong	"	0 7 3	0 8 3	0 7 3	0 5 3	0 6 3	100	114	103	72	6
Average—Tea	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	112	105	81	80
5. Other Articles of food—											
Condiments and Spices—											
Turmeric	Maund	5 12 0	6 12 0	10 0 0	12 4 0	17 3 0	100	117	174	213	29
Betel-nuts	Fy. Maund	8 10 9	7 8 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	100	86	92	115	11
Chillies	Maund	12 0 0	12 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	100	100	92	92	9
Ginger	"	10 5 0	10 0 0	12 4 0	12 15 0	13 8 0	100	97	119	125	13
Tamarind (5 per cent. seed)	"	6 0 0	3 12 0	3 12 0	4 0 0	5 0 0	100	62	62	67	8
Average—Condiments and Spices	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	92	108	122	144
Ghee, 1st quality	Maund	56 0 0	52 0 0	59 0 0	63 0 0	73 8 0	100	93	105	112	14
" 2nd "	"	45 0 0	43 8 0	53 0 0	56 0 0	56 0 0	100	97	118	124	12
Average—Ghee	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	95	111	118	131
Salt Liverpool (ex-duty)	100 Mds.	51 0 0	116 0 0	132 0 0	(d) 200 0 0	320 0 0	100	227	259	392	62
" Spanish (ex-duty)	"	46 0 0	120 0 0	127 0 0	(c) 195 0 0	No quotation	100	261	276	424	57
" Deshi, Bombay Kankutch (ex-duty)	"	50 0 0	81 0 0	No quotation	(e) 110 0 0	285 0 0	100	162	...	220	57
Average—Salt	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	217	267	345	596
Average—Other articles of food											
6. Oil seeds and oils—											
Linseed (small to medium)	Maund	6 5 0	5 5 6	5 14 0	5 0 3	5 7 6	100	85	93	79	8
Poppy seed	"	7 10 0	5 7 0	5 3 0	5 6 0	6 6 0	100	71	72	70	8
Rapeseed (brown)	"	6 1 6	4 14 0	5 2 0	5 7 0	5 14 0	100	80	84	69	9
Average—Oilseeds	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	79	83	79	81
Oil, Mustard, 1st quality	Maund	23 0 0	16 0 0	14 6 0	14 9 0	16 2 0	100	70	63	63	7
" 2nd "	"	18 6 0	14 4 0	13 4 0	13 10 0	14 14 0	100	77	72	74	8
Average—Oil, Mustard	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	73	67	68	76
7. Textiles—Jute—											
(a) Jute, Raw—											
Jute,  group	400 lbs.	69 0 0	50 0 0	51 8 0	38 0 0	37 0 0	100	72	73	53	5
"  "	"	50 0 0	35 0 0	38 0 0	30 0 0	25 8 0	100	70	76	60	5
" Narainganj (Red) group	"	79 0 0	70 0 0	80 0 0	(f) 74 0 0	No quotation	100	89	101	94	...
"  (Red) group	"	63 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	34 0 0	28 0 0	100	71	71	54	4
"  "	"	69 0 0	50 0 0	51 8 0	38 0 0	37 0 0	100	72	75	55	5
Average—Jute, Raw	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	75	80	64	5

(a) Relates to the quotation on 17th September 1915, the nearest available.
 (b) " " " 3rd " " " " "
 (c) " " " 8th June 1917 " " " "
 (d) " " " 1st " " " " "
 (e) " " " 11th May " " " "
 (f) " " " 20th April " " " "
 (g) " " " 31st August " " " "

WHOLESALE PRICES—CALCUTTA.

No. 1—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) in Calcutta at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—continued.

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS.														
		July 1914		August 1915		August 1916		August 1917		December 1917		July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917					
		Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.										
F. 7. Textiles—Jute—contd.																					
(b) Jute manufactures—																					
A. T. Bags hemmed, 2½ lbs., 44 × 26½"	100 bags.	45	8	0	48	8	0	45	4	0	58	0	0	65	0	0	100	96	99	116	143
" " 2½ lbs., 44 No. 2 (6 × 8)	"	35	8	0	32	8	0	36	12	0	41	0	0	50	0	0	100	92	104	115	141
Hessian cloth, 10½ oz. 40"	100 yds.	13	0	0	19	8	0	19	4	0	20	0	0	39	12	0	100	150	148	154	306
" " 11 " 45"	"	14	8	0	21	0	0	20	0	0	23	0	0	(a) 37	8	0	100	145	188	159	259
Average—Jute manufactures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	121	122	136	212			
Average—Textiles—Jute	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	95	99	96	131			
B. Textiles—Cotton—																					
(a) Cotton, Raw—																					
Cotton, Fine ginned, Bengal	Maund	21	0	0	19	8	0	26	0	0	37	0	0	51	0	0	100	93	124	176	243
" Fully good ginned, Bengal	"	19	4	0	16	12	0	No quotation			33	8	0	49	0	0	100	87	...	174	256
Average—Cotton, Raw	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	90	124	175	246			
(b) Cotton manufactures—																					
Grey yarn—Wilkinson 40 s.	Morah	0	6	5	0	5	6	0	7	7½	0	11	6	0	14	9	100	86	119	179	280
Coloured yarn—T. Red, British (full weight.)	lb.	0	14	4½	1	1	0	2	0	0	2	12	0	3	4	6	100	118	223	306	365
Grey shirtings 51 × 38	Piece	8	1	0	7	1	0	9	7	0	15	0	0	18	0	0	100	88	117	186	223
Grey cotton—Mulls 44 × 10	"	1	12	6	1	8	6	2	0	8	3	8	8	3	13	3	100	86	113	197	215
Bleached cottons—shirting 35 × 40	"	6	0	0	5	13	0	11	6	0	17	8	0	23	0	0	100	97	190	292	367
" " Nainsooks 42 × 20	"	3	0	6	3	3	6	4	2	0	6	12	0	7	5	0	100	106	136	223	241
" " Mulls 38 × 18	"	2	0	6	1	13	6	No quotation			No quotation			No quotation			100	91	...	...	...
Average—Cotton manufactures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	98	150	230	273			
Average—Textiles—Cotton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	95	146	217	267			
D. Other Textiles—																					
Silk, raw, European flature	Fy. Sr.	17	0	0	13	13	0	17	0	0	22	8	0	23	8	0	100	81	100	132	132
Wool, raw, Thibetan	B. Md.	25	0	0	25	0	0	29	0	0	30	0	0	34	0	0	100	100	116	120	136
10. Hides and Skins—																					
Hides, Cow, Agra 8 lbs.	Coage	122	8	0	112	8	0	120	0	0	128	0	0	128	0	0	100	92	98	104	104
" Buffalo, Arsenic	20 lbs	7	12	0	7	14	0	7	10	0	6	8	0	8	12	0	100	102	98	84	113
Skins, goat	100 pieces	110	0	0	115	0	0	135	0	0	105	0	0	125	0	0	100	105	123	95	114
Average—Hides and Skins	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	106	94	110			
11. Metals—																					
Copper brasier	Fy. Md.	44	0	0	47	0	0	67	0	0	77	8	0	77	8	0	100	107	152	176	176
Iron Hoops	Cwt.	6	7	0	8	4	0	16	0	0	24	0	0	24	0	0	100	135	261	392	392
Pig Iron No. 1 Gartscherrie	Ton	56	8	0	64	8	0	No quotation			No quotation			150	0	0	100	114	...	...	265
" Mixed number	"	46	8	0	54	8	0							No quotation			100	117	...	...	...
Galvanized corrugated sheets	Cwt.	8	8	0	13	4	0	19	4	0	32	0	0	40	0	0	100	156	226	376	471
Tin block (Sioca Kupesa)	Fy. Md.	81	0	0	81	0	0	93	9	9	110	11	3	110	11	3	100	100	116	137	137
Average—Metals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	121	180	270	266			
12. Other raw and manufactured articles—																					
Coal, Bengal, 1st class, Jherria	Ton into wagon	4	6	0	3	2	0	3	10	0	Nominal			Nominal			100	71	83	...	...
" " Desherghur	"	7	8	0	4	10	0	5	4	0	0	11	0	0	13	0	100	62	70	...	...
" " (Average quality)†	Maund	0	5	0	0	4	6	0	4	6	0	11	0	0	13	0	100	(b) 90	(b) 90	220	260
Average—Coal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	66	76	220	260			
Kerosene oil, Chester brand	Case	5	0	0	5	0	0	6	9	0	6	15	0	7	14	0	100	100	131	139	157
" " Elephant "	2 Tins	4	5	0	4	5	0	5	5	0	5	15	0	6	7	0	100	100	123	138	149
Average—Kerosene Oil	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	127	138	153			
Sulphate (crude 10 per cent.)	Fy. Md.	8	1	0	11	14	0	13	0	0	12	14	0	12	14	0	100	147	161	160	160
Shellac, T. N.	B. Md.	30	8	0	26	8	0	65	0	0	83	0	0	92	0	0	100	87	213	272	302
Tobacco leaf, poolah (common)	"	10	8	0	9	0	0	13	0	0	11	0	0	10	8	0	100	86	124	105	100
Indigo—Bengal (good to fine)	Fy. Md.	175	0	0	650	0	0	650	0	0	450	0	0	300	0	0	100	371	371	257	171
Average—Other raw and manufactured articles.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	128	159	184	185			
13. Building materials—																					
Teak wood, European, 1st class	Ton of 50 c. ft.	337	8	0	337	8	0	260	0	0	No quotation			No quotation			100	100	77	...	...
" Selected Indian "	"	185	0	0	145	0	0	160	0	0	190	0	0	205	0	0	100	78	80	103	111
Average—Teak wood	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	89	81	103	111			
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	113	126	142	166			

(a) Relates to the quotation on 30th November 1917, the latest available.

(b) Not included in the group average and general average.

† Compiled from the fortnightly return of prices furnished by the Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

NOTE—These statistics have been compiled from the Bengal Chamber of Commerce weekly prices current and "Capital." Prices of wool were reported by the Government Wool Controller and Sub-Divisional Officer, Kalimpong.

WHOLESALE PRICES—BOMBAY

No. 2—Wholesale prices (with Index numbers) in Bombay at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice	Maund	4 11 3	5 0 0	4 11 3	5 1 3	5 4 9	100	106	106	106	113
Wheat, Delhi No. 1	Cwt.	5 9 6	7 1 0	6 3 0	6 0 0	8 14 6	100	126	111	107	123
" Khandwa Seoni	Candy	45 0 0	46 0 0	43 0 0	42 8 0	63 0 0	100	109	96	94	144
" Jubbulpore	"	40 0 0	42 0 0	45 0 0	42 0 0	55 0 0	100	105	107	106	137
Average—Wheat	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	111	105	102	136
Jawar	Maund	(a) 3 2 6	3 6 0	3 2 0	3 10 0	5 2 0	100	107	99	115	163
Barley	"	(b) 3 4 6	3 12 11	3 7 10	3 15 5	3 11 3	100	116	104	99	113
Average—Food grains—Cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	110	103	103	132
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Gram	Maund	(b) 4 3 9	3 12 1	3 7 10	3 7 10	4 0 4	100	89	82	82	85
Tur Dal	"	(b) 5 10 5	6 0 2	5 8 6	5 8 6	6 11 3	100	106	98	98	119
Average—Food grains—Pulses	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	97	90	90	107
3. Sugar—											
Mauritius No. 1	Cwt.	9 2 0	17 0 6	22 0 0	21 8 0	19 0 0	100	185	229	234	207
Java, white	"	10 3 0	17 0 0	20 6 0	20 10 0	18 4 0	100	167	200	202	179
Raw (Gur)	Maund	(a) 7 14 3	13 1 0	9 2 5	8 0 5	9 12 9	100	104	116	103	124
Average—Sugar	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	173	185	179	170
4. Other articles of food—											
Turmeric	Maund	(a) 5 9 3	8 7 0	11 15 7	13 7 6	16 5 3	100	151	215	241	293
Ghee	"	(a) 45 11 5	54 4 7	55 11 5	63 9 2	62 13 9	100	119	123	150	133
Salt	"	1 7 6	1 6 0	2 0 0	2 8 0	3 4 0	100	103	126	179	221
Average—Other articles of food	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	124	158	167	217
5. Oilseeds—											
Linseed (bold)	Cwt.	8 14 6	8 12 6	8 15 0	7 10 0	8 13 0	100	99	100	86	99
Rapeseed (Cawnpore, brown)	"	8 0 0	7 1 0	6 8 0	7 0 0	7 4 0	100	68	61	67	91
Poppyseed	"	10 14 0	8 1 0	7 10 6	7 14 0	8 12 0	100	74	70	73	80
Gingelly (white)	"	11 4 0	9 7 0	9 8 0	9 7 0	11 11 6	100	94	84	84	104
Average—Oilseeds	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	86	84	82	93
6. Textiles—Cotton—											
(a) Cotton, raw—											
Broach Good	Candy	251 0 0	257 0 0	340 0 0	450 0 0	555 0 0	100	102	135	179	321
OOMra F. G.	"	222 0 0	198 0 0	290 0 0	400 0 0	570 0 0	100	18	131	180	257
Dharwar S. G.	"	230 0 0	226 0 0	335 0 0	479 0 0	553 0 0	100	98	146	208	240
Khandesh M. G.	"	205 0 0	186 0 0	304 0 0	402 0 0	544 0 0	100	91	148	196	265
Bengals M. G.	"	193 0 0	182 0 0	284 0 0	358 0 0	482 0 0	100	92	143	181	248
Average—Cotton, Raw	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	94	141	189	248
(b) Cotton manufactures—											
Twist 40 S.	lb.	0 12 9	0 11 6	1 1 3	1 10 0	1 14 0	100	90	135	204	218
Piece goods, Grey Shirtings Fari 2000	Piece	5 15 0	5 9 0	6 14 0	11 14 0	15 0 0	100	94	116	200	252
" White mulls (8-60,0)	"	4 3 0	4 3 0	4 5 0	7 14 0	9 8 0	100	100	103	158	227
" Shirtings Liepmans 1500	"	10 6 0	9 15 0	12 12 0	17 14 0	24 8 0	100	98	123	172	214
" Long cloth (local made)	lb.	0 9 6	0 8 9	0 13 0	1 2 0	1 9 0	100	92	137	149	263
" 36" x 37½ yds. (9 lb.)	"	0 9 6	0 8 3	0 11 3	0 15 6	1 5 6	100	87	119	163	226
" Chudders (local made)	"	0 9 6	0 8 3	0 11 3	0 15 6	1 5 6	100	87	119	163	226
" 54" x 6 yds. (2½ lb.)	"	0 9 6	0 8 3	0 11 3	0 15 6	1 5 6	100	87	119	163	226
Average—Cotton manufactures	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	93	122	186	240
Average—Textiles—Cotton	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	94	130	187	242
7. Other Textiles—											
Silk, Canton, No. 5	Pucra	5 4 0	5 0 0	6 12 0	6 10 0	7 10 9	100	95	129	126	145
" Nanken	Seer	17 12 0	14 12 0	19 0 0	20 12 0	23 8 0	100	83	107	117	123
Average—Silk	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	89	118	121	139
8. Hides and Skins—											
Hides, Cow, tanned	lb.	(c) 1 2 6	1 0 0	1 2 0	1 2 0	1 2 0	100	86	97	97	97
" Buffalo	"	(c) 1 1 3	0 15 0	0 15 0	0 15 0	0 15 0	100	87	87	87	87
Skins, Goat	"	(c) 1 4 0	1 5 0	1 5 0	1 5 0	1 5 0	100	106	105	105	105
Average—Hides and Skins	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	93	96	96	96
9. Metals—											
Copper brazier	Cwt.	60 8 0	73 8 0	97 0 0	118 0 0	140 0 0	100	117	160	195	231
Iron bars	"	4 0 0	9 0 0	16 0 0	20 0 0	26 0 0	100	225	400	500	650
Steel Hoops	"	7 12 0	13 8 0	29 8 0	42 0 0	42 0 0	100	174	361	542	542
Galvanised sheets	"	9 0 0	12 12 0	20 0 0	32 0 0	32 0 0	100	142	223	356	356
Tin plates	Box	8 12 0	13 0 0	22 0 0	60 0 0	60 0 0	100	149	251	696	696
Average—Metals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	161	233	456	493
10. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Coal, Bengal	Ton	14 12 0	16 8 0	18 0 0	23 8 0	22 9 0	100	112	123	159	217
Kerosene Oil—											
Elephant brand	2 tins	4 6 0	4 6 0	5 8 0	6 2 0	6 10 0	100	100	128	140	151
Chester	Case	5 2 0	5 2 0	6 9 0	7 2 0	7 14 0	100	100	128	139	154
Average—Kerosene Oil	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	127	139	152
Average—Other raw and manufactured articles	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	104	128	146	174
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	113	141	179	209

(a) Relates to September 1914, the earliest available.

(b) Relates to April 1915, " "

(c) Relates to March 1915, " "

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from (a) the weekly prices current issued by the Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, (b) the Bombay Market Report, (c) the fortnightly and monthly returns of prices published in the Bombay Gazette, (d) the monthly returns of prices furnished by the Commission of Customs, Bombay, and (e) the weekly current quotations of the Bombay Exchange and other sources.

WHOLESALE PRICES—KARACHI

No. 3—Wholesale prices (with Index numbers) in Karachi at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 19.5	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice (Larkana No. 8.)	Candy	39 0 0	41 0 0	41 9 0	39 0 0	47 8 0	100	105	105	100	122
Wheat white 5 % barley 3 % dirt 30 % red	"	31 8 0	36 0 0	36 4 0	36 8 0	43 0 0	100	114	113	116	137
Wheat red 5 % barley 3 % dirt 42 % red	"	31 4 0	35 0 0	35 4 0	35 8 0	42 0 0	100	112	113	114	134
Wheat white 2 % barley 1 1/2 % dirt	"	32 2 0	37 0 0	37 4 0	37 10 0	44 4 0	100	114	115	116	136
" red 2 % barley 1 1/2 % dirt	"	32 4 0	36 0 0	36 4 0	36 10 0	43 4 0	100	112	112	114	134
Average—wheat	"	...	...	...	...	...	100	113	114	115	135
Jawar (export quality)	Candy	25 8 0	26 0 0	26 0 0	19 0 0	28 0 0	100	102	102	75	110
Maize (1 % dirt)	"	(a) 27 0 0	...	...	26 0 0	29 12 0	100	...	...	96	110
Barley (3 % dirt)	"	28 8 0	31 12 0	28 4 0	27 10 0	31 4 0	100	120	107	104	118
Average—Food grains—Cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	111	110	104	125
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Gram	Candy	29 8 0	39 8 0	28 4 0	23 4 0	34 0 0	100	100	96	96	115
3. Sugar—											
Java, white	Cwt.	9 2 0	16 11 0	19 7 0	21 12 0	18 12 0	100	158	213	238	205
" brown	"	8 1 6	16 2 0	17 14 0	18 8 0	16 12 0	100	199	221	229	207
Average—Sugar	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	191	217	233	206
4. Other articles of food—											
Salt, imported (declared value)	Maund	4 7 4	7 9 3	9 11 9	11 6 5	12 7 3	100	170	218	256	279
5. Oil seeds—											
Cotton-seed	Md. (82 lbs.)	2 11 3	2 13 0	2 8 9	2 14 6	3 2 0	100	102	94	108	116
Rapeseed (brown)	Candy	51 0 0	41 0 0	40 0 0	36 12 0	38 0 0	100	80	78	72	75
Gingelly seed (black)	"	42 0 0	45 0 0	51 0 0	47 0 0	57 0 0	100	73	82	76	92
Average—Oilseeds	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	85	85	85	94
6. Textiles—Jute—											
Jute manufactures—											
Jute bags (B. Twills)	100 bags	38 4 0	35 12 0	40 0 0	42 8 0	59 0 0	100	93	105	111	154
7. Textiles—Cotton—											
(a) Cotton, raw—											
Cotton, raw, Sind	Md. (84 lbs.)	20 4 0	17 4 0	27 8 0	32 13 0	48 0 0	100	85	136	167	237
(b) Cotton manufactures—											
Piecegoods—Drills (Pepperell)	Piece	10 3 6	9 9 0	12 9 0	19 0 0	22 0 0	100	94	123	186	215
" Shirtings, Liepman's	"	10 2 0	9 3 0	12 8 0	17 12 0	22 2 0	100	91	123	175	219
Grey yarn 40s. (plough)	lb.	0 12 2	0 10 3	0 15 0	1 7 0	1 15 0	100	84	128	189	255
Average—Cotton manufactures	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	90	123	183	230
Average—Textiles—Cotton	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	88	126	179	231
8. Other Textiles—											
Wool Kandahar	Md. (82 lbs.)	28 0 0	35 8 0	35 0 0	37 0 0	38 0 0	100	127	125	182	186
9. Hides—											
Dry (Sind)	Md. (28 lbs.)	21 4 0	19 4 0	17 6 0	17 4 0	17 0 0	100	91	82	81	80
" (Punjab)	"	21 4 0	...	...	17 4 0	17 0 0	100	...	...	81	80
Average—Hides	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	91	82	81	80
10. Metals—											
Copper braser	Cwt.	60 8 0	70 0 0	95 0 0	114 0 0	128 0 0	100	116	157	188	203
Steel bars	"	3 14 0	9 0 0	14 8 0	24 0 0	26 0 0	100	232	374	619	671
" plates	"	4 6 0	9 8 0	22 8 0	35 0 0	36 0 0	100	217	514	800	823
Average—Metals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	188	349	536	566
11. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Coal—Bengal, best	Ton	16 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	100	125	125	156	156
Kerosene oil—Chester brand	Case	5 2 0	5 2 0	6 9 0	7 2 0	7 14 0	100	100	128	139	154
" " Elephant "	"	4 7 0	4 7 0	5 7 0	6 1 0	6 9 0	100	100	123	137	148
Average—Kerosene Oil	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	125	136	151
Average—Other raw and manufactured articles	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	108	125	144	153
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	120	149	175	194

(a) Relates to the end of March 1917, the earliest available.

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the weekly prices current issued by the Chamber of Commerce, Karachi

WHOLESALE PRICES—MADRAS

No. 4—Wholesale prices (with Index numbers) in Madras at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice	Maund	5 12 10	5 4 10	5 4 10	4 14 5	5 1 9	100	91	91	84	88
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Gram	Maund	4 7 4	5 11 2	4 8 4	4 9 5	4 9 5	100	128	94	103	103
3. Sugar—											
Sugar (cane)	Bag. of 1½ cwt.	15 2 8	23 7 0	27 6 0	26 4 0	26 14 0	100	155	181	173	171
Jaggery	Maund	4 0 6	9 7 4	7 6 7	5 14 11	6 9 3	100	235	184	147	163
Average—Sugar . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	195	182	160	167
4. Other articles of food—											
Turmeric	Maund	5 4 4	7 11 8	11 1 9	11 3 0	16 7 6	100	147	211	212	312
Ghee	"	55 15 4	55 15 4	55 15 4	53 10 9	54 4 11	100	100	100	94	97
Salt	"	1 4 6	1 4 6	1 8 0	1 14 1	2 8 11	100	100	117	147	200
Average—Other articles of food . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	116	143	151	203
5. Oilseeds and Oils—											
Castor seed	Candy (500 lbs.)	10 4 0	9 0 0	10 12 0	12 8 0	15 8 0	100	86	105	122	151
Groundnut	Candy (529 lbs.)	42 8 0	30 0 0	37 6 0	27 0 0	26 0 0	100	71	88	64	61
Cotton seed	Maund	5 12 2	5 12 2	5 12 2	5 12 2	5 12 2	100	100	100	100	100
Average—Oilseeds . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	86	98	95	104
Oils—											
Coconut oil	Candy	135 0 0	120 0 0	130 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	100	89	96	89	89
6. Textiles—Cotton—											
(a) Cotton, raw—											
Westerns	Candy (500 lbs.)	156 8 0	111 0 0	215 0 0	275 0 0	335 0 0	100	71	137	176	214
Cocanadas	"	150 0 0	99 0 0	190 0 0	245 0 0	285 0 0	100	66	127	163	190
Average—Cotton, raw . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	68	132	169	202
(b) Cotton manufactures—											
Cotton yarn 40s	5 lbs. bundle	3 14 6	3 10 3	4 13 0	7 13 0	11 8 0	100	93	123	200	204
Shirtings	lb.	0 12 1½	0 13 9	0 14 0	1 13 0	1 15 0	100	118	115	239	256
Average—Cotton manufactures . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	103	119	219	275
Average—Textiles—Cotton . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	86	125	194	238
7. Hides and Skins—											
Hides, Cow	lb.	1 0 3	0 14 4½	1 0 3	1 4 0	1 2 0	100	88	100	123	111
" Buffalo	"	0 12 4½	0 12 0	0 11 6	0 13 6	0 11 6	100	97	93	109	93
Dressed or tanned hides	Maund	62 8 0	67 11 4	67 11 4	72 14 9	72 14 9	100	108	108	117	117
Skins, goat	lb.	1 8 1	1 7 1	2 8 0	1 7 0	1 3 0	100	96	166	96	79
" sheep	"	1 10 5	1 6 4	3 3 3	2 0 0	1 7 6	100	85	194	121	89
Average—Hides and Skins . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	95	132	113	98
8. Metals—											
Iron bar	Candy (500 lbs.)	19 12 0	38 0 0	65 0 0	103 12 0	121 4 0	100	192	329	525	614
Steel sheets	"	24 12 0	42 0 0	71 0 0	140 0 0	200 0 0	100	170	287	566	608
Iron Hoops (6—9 size)	"	26 0 0	55 0 0	72 8 0	132 8 0	145 0 0	100	212	270	510	558
Yellow metal sheets	"	223 0 0	325 0 0	477 8 0	580 0 0	650 0 0	100	146	214	261	291
Average—Metals . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	180	277	465	568
9. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Coal, Indian	Ton	15 12 0	18 0 0	17 12 0	40 12 0	40 4 0	100	114	113	259	254
Tobacco leaf	Maund	13 2 9	12 5 5	13 10 7	13 13 1	13 15 10	100	94	104	105	108
Kerosene (Jil)—Chester brand	Case	5 0 0	5 1 0	6 9 0	7 2 0	7 14 0	100	101	121	142	157
" " Elephant "	2 tins.	4 5 6	4 5 6	4 11 6	5 15 6	(a) 6 0 0	100	100	109	137	136
Average—Kerosene Oil . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	120	139	147
Average—Other raw and manufactured articles . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	102	114	161	164
GENERAL AVERAGE . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	116	146	185	211

(a) Relates to the quotation on 9th November 1917, the latest available.

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from (1) the fortnightly prices current issued by the local Chamber of Commerce, (2) the weekly prices reported by the Collector of Customs, and (3) the fortnightly returns of prices furnished by the Board of Revenue, Madras.

WHOLESALE PRICES—RANGOON

No. 5—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) in Rangoon at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice, white	100 baskets of 75 lbs. each	310 0 0	395 0 0	301 8 0	233 0 0	245 0 0	100	127	97	75	79
„ Ngasein and Ngakyauk husked (common)	Cwt. Maund	4 8 9 3 13 0	5 10 2 4 9 8	4 7 0 3 5 1	3 11 5 2 12 4	3 11 5 3 1 3	100 100	124 121	98 87	82 73	82 81
Paddy	100 baskets of 46 lbs. each	124 0 0	160 0 0	119 0 0	84 8 0	99 0 0	100	129	96	68	80
Average—Rice . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	125	94	74	80
Millet	100 baskets of 62 lbs. each	200 0 0	217 8 0	175 0 0	135 0 0	120 0 0	100	109	87	67	60
Maize	100 baskets of 55 lbs. each	146 4 0	175 0 0	140 0 0	65 0 0	42 8 0	100	120	96	44	29
Average—Food grains—Cereals . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	122	93	68	68
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Beans, white	100 baskets of 69 lbs. each	208 12 0	580 0 0	400 0 0	1,000 0 0	890 0 0	100	278	220	479	426
Gram	Maund	4 0 10	4 4 9	3 10 10	3 5 11	3 8 0	100	106	91	83	86
Arhar Dal	„	5 14 10	5 7 6	5 11 5	5 2 7	5 2 7	100	92	96	87	87
Average—Food grains—Pulses . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	159	136	216	200
3. Sugar—											
Cane, soft	Cwt.	9 9 0	15 15 0	17 5 0	18 15 0	19 0 0	100	167	181	198	199
Crystal	„	8 15 0	16 4 6	17 12 6	18 2 0	17 10 6	100	182	199	203	198
Average—Sugar . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	174	190	200	198
4. Tea.—Indian	lb.	0 8 6	0 10 9	0 11 2	0 10 5	0 10 6	100	126	131	123	124
5. Other articles of food—											
Ghee	Maund	58 2 11	53 5 4	53 5 4	53 5 4	53 5 4	100	92	92	92	92
Salt, Liverpool	1000 viss (3600 lbs.)	75 0 0	98 0 0	135 8 0	153 0 0	159 0 0	100	131	181	204	212
Salted Fish	Cwt.	19 12 8	19 9 2	19 14 6	19 15 8	19 14 4	100	99	101	101	101
Average—Other articles of food. . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	107	125	132	135
6. Oilseeds and oils—											
Ground nut	100 baskets of 25 lbs. each	182 8 0	135 0 0	113 0 0	131 4 0	117 0 0	100	74	62	72	64
Oils—											
Coconut oil	Gallon	2 13 2	2 12 6	2 6 6	2 12 0	2 3 10	100	99	85	97	79
7. Textiles—Jute—											
Jute manufactures—Gunny bags	No.	0 5 9	0 4 9	0 5 7	0 5 5	0 7 6	100	83	97	94	130
8. Textiles—Cotton—											
(a) Cotton, raw	100 viss (360 lbs.)	129 0 0	127 0 0	125 8 0	124 8 0	126 0 0	100	98	97	97	98
(b) Cotton manufactures—											
Grey yarn	Bundles of 5 lbs.	3 8 0	3 9 0	3 10 0	4 11 6	5 0 0	100	102	104	135	143
Coloured yarn	„	5 8 0	5 1 0	5 0 0	10 0 0	10 4 0	100	92	91	182	186
Piecegoods—Grey Shirtings.	Piece	6 10 0	6 2 0	6 14 6	10 8 0	10 9 0	100	92	104	154	159
„ White „	„	8 12 0	8 6 0	12 3 0	19 14 0	18 11 0	100	96	139	193	214
„ Coloured „	„	9 3 0	9 9 0	13 11 0	21 11 0	23 7 0	100	104	149	236	255
Average—Cotton manufactures . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	97	117	180	191
Average—Textiles—Cotton . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	97	114	166	176
9. Other Textiles—											
Silk, raw	lb.	4 14 9	3 9 3	4 14 7	3 12 0	3 2 8	100	73	100	76	166
10. Hides—											
Cow (dry)	Cwt	65 0 0	65 4 0	64 3 0	45 12	(a)82 8 0	100	100	99	70	66
Buffalo (dry)	„	37 4 0	21 7 0	21 4 0	46 4 0	(a)49 12 0	100	68	57	124	134
Average—Hides . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	79	78	97	115

(a) Relates to the quotation on 19th January, 1918, the nearest available.

WHOLESALE PRICES—RANGOON

No. 5—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) in Rangoon at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—*contd.*

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
11. Metals—											
Iron—Hoops and Strips	Ton	Rs. A. P. 155 15 5	Rs. A. P. 263 11 3	Rs. A. P. 367 1 8	Rs. A. P. 513 11 8	Rs. A. P. 692 8 11	100	169	235	329	444
Copper brazier	Cwt	59 15 10	62 1 5	..	100 0 0	100 0 0	100	103	..	167	167
Lead, Pig	"	(a)12 6 8	14 7 2	22 2 0	25 7 9	23 8 9	100	116	179	205	190
Wolfram ore	Ton	1,481 13 1	1,715 4 1	2,302 2 6	2,224 8 2	2,338 4 7	100	116	155	150	158
Average—Metals . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	126	190	213	240
12. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Coal—											
British	Ton	20 8 0	21 8 0	21 0 0	42 0 0	48 0 0	100	105	102	205	234
Indian	"	16 12 0	17 0 0	14 0 0	20 0 0	29 0 0	100	101	84	119	173
Average—Coal . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	103	93	163	208
Kerosene oil—											
American	10 cases of 8 gallons each	56 0 0	56 0 0	56 8 0	56 0 0	60 14 0	100	100	101	100	109
Burma	"	33 8 0	31 0 0	29 0 0	27 0 0	54 0 0	100	93	87	81	761
Average—Kerosene oil . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	99	94	90	135
Cutch	100 viss (360 lbs.)	70 0 0	61 4 0	48 6 0	47 0 0	43 0 0	100	87	69	67	61
Paraffin wax	Cwt.	22 0 3	22 10 2	22 8 3	22 12 0	22 12 0	100	103	102	103	103
Petrol, benzene, benzol and other motor spirit	Gallon	0 1 6	0 1 6	0 1 6	0 1 6	(b)0 1 6	100	100	100	100	100
Rubber	lb.	1 14 9	2 6 0	1 9 8	1 10 3	1 8 1	100	124	83	85	78
Tobacco leaf	lb.	0 1 9	0 1 9	0 1 6	0 2 0	0 1 10	100	100	96	114	105
Average—other raw and manufactured articles . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	101	90	106	125
13. Building materials—											
Teak wood	Cubic ton	187 14 9	194 11 11	194 7 3	206 13 9	206 13 6	100	104	103	110	110
GENERAL AVERAGE . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	112	113	123	143

(a) Relates to April 1915, the earliest available.

(b) Relates to November 1917, the latest available.

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from (1) the weekly market Reports published by Messrs. Morrison & Co., (2) the weekly returns of prices furnished by the Collector of Customs, Rangoon, (3) the fortnightly returns furnished by the Commissioner of Settlements and Land Records, Burma, and (4) the accounts of Sea-borne and Coasting trade of Burma.

No. 6—Wholesale prices of wheat at principal markets in India.

MARKETS	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
PORT—											
Karachi, white (5% barley, 3% dirt and 30% red)	Maund	Rs. A. P. 3 15 2	Rs. A. P. 4 8 3	Rs. A. P. 4 8 9	Rs. A. P. 4 9 3	Rs. A. P. 5 6 4	100	114	115	116	137
Bombay (Delhi No. 1, white peasy)	"	4 1 9	5 3 0	4 8 9	4 6 6	5 1 2	100	126	111	107	123
PUNJAB—											
Lahore	"	3 10-3	4 9 3	3 13 0	4 1 6	5 0 0	100	126	105	112	137
Ferozepur	"	3 5 3	4 5 3	3 13 0	3 14 6	5 0 0	100	130	115	117	150
Lyallpur	"	3 6 0	4 7 6	3 15 0	4 0 0	4 14 0	100	132	117	119	144
Amritsar	"	3 3 3	4 6 0	3 11 0	3 12 0	4 10 0	100	137	116	118	145
Multan	"	3 6 0	4 0 0	3 11 6	4 0 0	4 13 0	100	119	110	119	143
Ambala	"	3 10 3	4 9 6	3 13 0	4 0 0	4 15 0	100	125	105	110	136
DELHI—											
Delhi	"	3 14 0	4 11 0	3 13 0	4 1 6	4 15 4	100	121	98	106	127
UNITED PROVINCES—											
Aligarh (Hathras)	"	4 0 9	4 7 10	4 1 8	3 14 6	4 14 9	100	111	101	97	122
Cawnpore	"	4 3 0	4 11 3	4 0 0	4 1 6	5 0 0	100	112	96	98	119
Meerut	"	4 0 0	4 7 0	3 14 6	3 12 11	4 13 7	100	111	98	95	124
CENTRAL PROVINCES—											
Nagpur	"	4 1 1	4 12 10	3 13 2	4 1 10	4 14 5	100	118	94	101	120
Jubbulpore	"	4 5 1	4 8 2	3 14 5	3 10 10	5 2 7	100	104	90	85	120
BIHAR AND ORISSA—											
Bhagalpur	"	4 3 0	4 14 3	4 3 0	3 12 0	4 6 0	100	117	100	90	107
MEDIAN AVERAGE (15 PRINCIPAL MARKETS)	..	3 15 2	4 8 3	3 14 5	4 0 0	4 15 0	100	114	99	101	125
MEDIAN AVERAGE (37 MARKETS ALL-INDIA)	..	4 2 3	4 9 2	4 0 0	4 1 10	4 15 4	100	111	97	99	120

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the fortnightly returns of prices furnished by Local Governments and Administrations. Those for Karachi and Bombay were compiled from the Local Chambers of Commerce Market Reports.

No. 7—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) of cereals and pulses, ghee, sugar (raw) and salt in the several provinces in India, at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

(1) RICE.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Burma	Mauud	3 13 0	4 9 5	3 6 8	3 0 4	3 1 3	100	120	90	79	81
Assam	"	4 15 0	5 8 0	5 0 0	4 0 0	2 12 0	100	111	101	81	56
Bengal	"	5 15 0	5 12 0	5 4 0	4 10 0	3 6 0	100	97	88	78	57
Bihar and Orissa	"	5 9 0	5 8 2	5 0 0	3 10 9	3 5 3	100	99	90	66	60
United Provinces	"	5 8 3	5 8 3	5 7 8	4 15 4	4 9 8	100	100	99	90	83
Delhi	"	6 10 0	6 8 0	6 0 0	6 2 0	6 4 0	100	98	91	92	94
Punjab	"	5 7 0	6 0 6	5 4 3	4 12 9	5 2 3	100	111	97	88	95
North-West Frontier Province	"	5 9 0	6 2 5	5 14 0	5 13 4	5 13 4	100	111	106	105	105
Sind and Baluchistan	"	5 10 0	5 9 9	5 11 6	4 13 6	5 6 0	100	99	102	86	96
Bombay Presidency	"	5 12 11	4 14 3	4 13 0	5 9 1	5 8 7	100	84	83	96	95
Central Provinces and Berar	"	4 11 4	4 10 5	4 3 9	4 1 3	4 3 4	100	99	90	87	90
Madras Presidency	"	5 4 0	5 4 10	5 4 10	5 1 4	5 0 11	100	90	90	87	86
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	101	94	86	83

(2) WHEAT.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Burma	Mauud	5 1 11	6 5 5	6 12 11	7 3 2	6 3 0	100	124	133	141	121
Bengal	"	4 7 0	5 6 0	5 4 0	5 3 0	5 0 0	100	121	118	117	113
Bihar and Orissa	"	4 5 0	4 15 2	4 0 8	3 14 0	4 10 0	100	115	94	90	107
United Provinces	"	4 3 0	4 10 4	3 15 8	4 0 8	4 14 10	100	111	95	97	118
Delhi	"	3 14 0	4 11 0	3 13 0	4 1 6	4 15 4	100	121	98	106	128
Punjab	"	3 6 0	4 8 0	3 13 0	4 0 0	4 15 0	100	130	113	118	146
North-West Frontier Province	"	3 6 6	4 5 10	4 0 1	3 14 10	4 11 9	100	128	118	115	139
Sind and Baluchistan	"	3 12 6	4 4 0	4 6 0	4 7 9	5 8 0	100	112	116	119	145
Bombay	"	4 11 2	4 13 9	4 5 1	4 11 5	6 0 0	100	103	92	100	128
Central Provinces and Berar	"	4 5 1	4 11 3	3 14 5	4 1 10	5 0 6	100	109	90	95	116
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	117	107	110	126

No. 7—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) of cereals and pulses, ghee, sugar (raw) and salt in the several provinces in India, at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—*contd.*

(3) BARLEY.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Bihar and Orissa	Maund	2 13 0	3 1 3	2 10 0	2 3 0	2 7 0	100	109	93	78	87
United Provinces	"	2 3 0	3 2 2	2 15 2	2 10 8	2 13 5	100	98	92	84	93
Delhi	"	3 0 0	3 2 0	3 5 0	2 12 0	3 7 0	100	104	110	92	115
Punjab	"	2 9 3	3 1 0	3 0 3	2 13 0	3 6 2	100	119	117	107	129
North-West Frontier Province	"	2 0 10	2 12 8	2 6 2	2 10 0	3 0 9	100	136	116	128	148
Sind and Baluchistan	"	2 14 0	3 8 3	3 9 6	3 6 10	3 13 11	100	122	125	119	139
Bombay	"	3 4 0	3 12 11	3 7 10	2 15 5	3 11 3	100	117	107	91	114
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	113	109	100	118

(4) JAWAR.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Burma	Maund	2 1 11	2 3 9	2 3 9	1 15 6	1 15 6	100	108	105	93	93
Bihar and Orissa	"	3 0 0	3 5 3	2 10 0	2 4 0	2 5 0	100	111	87	75	77
United Provinces	"	3 11 10	8 4 3	2 6 0	2 9 0	3 2 7	100	87	64	69	85
Delhi	"	4 4 0	3 3 0	2 12 0	2 12 0	3 8 0	100	75	65	65	82
Punjab	"	2 6 9	3 8 9	2 12 7	2 14 9	3 7 6	100	139	115	121	143
North-West Frontier Province	"	2 6 6	3 1 8	3 3 2	3 0 9	2 13 6	100	129	133	127	118
Sind and Baluchistan	"	2 15 6	2 15 9	3 4 9	2 13 0	4 4 6	100	101	111	95	144
Bombay	"	2 12 7	3 4 5	2 14 0	3 5 4	4 4 9	100	118	103	120	154
Central Provinces and Berar	"	3 4 0	2 11 2	1 14 7	3 0 10	3 9 9	100	83	59	94	110
Madras	"	3 6 5	3 1 1	3 1 1	3 11 5	3 13 2	100	90	90	109	112
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	104	93	97	112

No. 7—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) of cereals and pulses, ghee, sugar (raw) and salt in the several provinces in India, at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—*contd.*

(5) MAIZE.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
Burma	Maund	Rs. A. P. 1 13 11	Rs. A. P. 1 13 11	Rs. A. P. 2 2 11	Rs. A. P. 1 13 11	Rs. A. P. 1 13 11	100	100	117	100	100
Bihar and Orissa	"	3 3 0	3 4 0	2 12 0	2 0 0	2 1 9	100	102	86	63	66
United Provinces	"	3 5 1	..	2 8 0	2 5 7	2 9 0	100	..	75	71	77
Delhi	"	3 1 0	..	..	..	3 3 0	100	..	..	..	104
Punjab	"	3 13 7	4 7 0	2 13 9	3 0 3	3 12 0	100	115	74	78	97
North-West Frontier Province	"	3 5 4	3 6 9	2 10 4	3 5 10	3 9 5	100	103	79	101	108
Sind and Baluchistan	"	4 4 0	3 10 9	3 15 0	4 4 0	5 0 0	100	86	93	100	118
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	101	87	85	96

(6) GRAM.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
Burma	Maund	Rs. A. P. 4 1 3	Rs. A. P. 4 11 4	Rs. A. P. 4 4 9	Rs. A. P. 4 10 9	Rs. A. P. 4 10 9	100	115	105	115	115
Bengal	"	3 12 0	4 8 0	4 4 0	3 12 0	4 1 0	100	120	113	100	108
Bihar and Orissa	"	3 12 9	3 12 0	3 7 7	2 10 3	2 12 6	100	99	92	70	73
United Provinces	"	3 14 5	3 7 0	3 0 8	2 10 8	3 2 6	100	88	78	68	81
Delhi	"	3 8 0	3 2 0	3 3 0	3 1 3	3 7 8	100	89	91	88	99
Punjab	"	3 3 0	3 3 10	3 3 7	3 1 2	4 0 0	100	102	101	96	126
North-West Frontier Province	"	2 13 9	3 6 11	3 9 5	3 5 2	3 14 8	100	120	125	116	137
Sind and Baluchistan	"	3 7 0	3 10 0	3 7 0	3 10 0	..	100	105	100	105	..
Bombay	"	4 4 8	4 0 0	3 10 5	3 10 11	4 6 0	100	93	85	86	102
Central Provinces and Berar	"	4 0 0	3 11 7	3 5 4	3 6 6	3 8 10	100	93	83	87	89
Madras	"	4 7 5	5 11 2	4 10 1	4 10 1	4 10 1	100	128	104	104	104
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	105	98	94	103

No. 7—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) of cereals and pulses, ghee, sugar (raw) and salt in the several provinces in India, at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—*contd.*

(7) ARHAR DAL.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Burma	Maund	5 11 7	6 14 1	6 14 1	6 13 6	6 8 4	100	120	120	120	114
Bengal.	"	6 4 0	6 6 0	7 0 0	5 8 0	5 0 0	100	102	112	88	80
Bihar and Orissa	"	5 12 0	5 14 9	5 4 6	4 3 6	4 4 0	100	103	92	78	74
United Provinces	"	5 5 0	5 1 9	4 7 10	3 8 0	3 13 0	100	96	85	66	72
Delhi	"	5 8 0	4 12 0	4 4 0	3 8 0	3 14 0	100	86	77	64	70
Punjab	"	5 14 3	7 12 0	5 10 0	5 0 0	6 4 10	100	132	96	85	107
North-West Frontier Province	"	5 5 9	5 5 4	4 8 7	3 11 6	4 6 2	100	100	85	69	82
Sind and Baluchistan	"	7 2 4	8 0 0	7 8 0	5 11 0	6 12 0	100	112	105	80	94
Bombay	"	5 7 8	6 3 1	5 6 0	5 8 3	6 0 0	100	113	98	101	110
Central Provinces and Berar	"	5 3 2	5 1 5	4 3 2	3 15 5	4 11 4	100	98	81	70	90
Madras	"	3 8 10	4 11 1	3 11 8	3 12 7	3 12 7	100	132	105	107	107
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	109	96	84	91

(8) GHEE.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Burma.	Maund	58 2 11	58 2 11	58 2 11	64 0 0	64 0 0	100	100	100	110	110
Assam	"	50 0 0	48 0 0	55 0 0	59 12 0	56 0 0	100	98	110	119	112
Bengal.	"	53 8 0	50 0 0	55 0 0	58 0 0	67 8 0	100	93	103	108	126
Bihar and Orissa	"	43 13 0	49 6 6	51 4 8	53 5 2	57 7 7	100	113	117	122	131
United Provinces	"	43 0 0	43 8 0	47 6 0	51 2 9	50 0 0	100	101	110	119	116
Delhi	"	49 0 0	52 0 0	54 0 0	62 12 0	64 1 4	100	106	110	128	131
Punjab	"	43 2 0	47 8 0	52 1 7	58 12 3	58 14 3	100	110	121	136	137
North-West Frontier Province	"	43 6 9	48 3 3	48 4 9	58 10 8	60 7 2	100	111	111	135	139
Sind and Baluchistan	"	41 8 0	50 4 7	55 8 0	60 2 0	62 6 0	100	121	134	145	150
Bombay	"	43 15 1	47 2 2	49 13 10	67 0 5	50 4 3	100	107	113	153	114
Central Provinces and Berar	"	43 0 0	42 0 0	47 9 11	55 8 0	52 0 0	100	98	111	129	121
Madras	"	50 12 10	48 12 6	49 5 0	50 12 8	49 5 4	100	96	97	100	97
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	104	111	125	124

No. 7—Wholesale prices (with Index Numbers) of cereals and pulses, ghee, sugar (raw) and salt in the several provinces in India, at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—*concl'd.*

(9) RAW SUGAR (GUR).

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Assam	Maund	6 4 0	8 8 0	8 8 0	8 0 0	7 8 0	100	136	136	128	120
Bengal.	"	7 0 0	7 8 0	7 9 0	8 0 0	8 2 0	100	107	108	114	116
Bihar and Orissa	"	4 8 0	6 8 0	6 4 10	6 7 10	5 8 5	100	144	140	144	123
United Provinces	"	5 0 0	8 3 3	6 7 0	6 10 4	6 4 0	100	164	129	133	125
Delhi	"	4 12 0	9 0 0	5 11 0	6 14 0	5 8 0	100	189	120	145	116
Punjab	"	4 14 0	8 11 2	6 3 3	5 4 8	5 11 2	100	178	127	109	117
North-West Frontier Province	"	5 0 6	8 3 3	8 3 3	5 15 4	5 13 4	100	163	163	118	116
Bombay	"	6 15 0	12 10 1	8 12 0	8 0 5	7 11 6	100	182	126	116	111
Madras	"	5 9 0	9 7 4	8 0 0	5 14 11	6 9 3	100	170	144	107	118
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	159	133	124	118

(10) SALT.

PROVINCE	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Burma.	Maund	2 4 7	2 9 4	3 3 3	3 9 10	4 2 11	100	113	140	158	183
Assam	"	2 0 0	2 12 0	3 4 0	4 0 0	5 0 0	100	137	162	200	250
Bengal.	"	1 14 0	2 8 0	3 2 0	4 2 0	5 0 0	100	183	167	220	267
Bihar and Orissa	"	2 0 0	2 11 0	2 13 7	3 8 0	4 13 6	100	134	142	175	243
United Provinces	"	2 0 0	2 0 0	2 5 8	2 8 0	5 2 0	100	100	118	125	256
Delhi	"	1 12 0	1 12 0	2 0 0	2 4 0	4 1 3	100	100	114	129	233
Punjab	"	1 8 9	1 8 9	2 3 9	2 3 0	4 1 0	100	100	144	141	263
North-West Frontier Province	"	1 8 2	1 8 7	1 12 1	2 0 2	2 14 7	100	102	116	133	193
Central Provinces and Berar	"	2 1 7	2 4 8	2 5 7	2 14 5	3 12 11	100	100	112	138	181
Madras	"	1 9 2	1 8 6	1 14 6	2 3 9	2 4 10	100	97	121	142	146
INDIA . . . . .		..	..	..	..	..	100	112	134	156	221

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the fortnightly returns of prices furnished by district officers to Local Governments and Administrations, and represent the average of the prices in all the reporting markets (including ports in case of maritime provinces) in each province.

RETAIL PRICES—CALCUTTA

No. 8—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Calcutta at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice, Deshi, 1st class	Maund	9 12 0	8 7 0	9 11 0	9 11 0	9 11 0	100	96	111	111	111
" 2nd "	"	7 8 0	6 4 0	7 8 0	7 8 0	7 8 0	100	83	96	100	100
" Coarse "	"	5 15 0	5 15 0	5 15 0	5 15 0	5 15 0	100	100	100	100	100
" Table "	"	8 12 0	8 12 0	9 6 0	9 6 0	9 6 0	100	100	107	107	107
Average—Rice	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	95	103	104	104
Flour, Californian No. 1	Maund	10 0 0	12 8 0	12 8 0	12 8 0	12 8 0	100	125	125	125	125
" Australian	"	8 12 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	100	114	114	114	114
" Country	"	7 13 0	9 1 0	6 14 0	8 12 0	8 12 0	100	116	88	112	112
Average—Flour	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	118	109	117	117
Sujes	Maund	7 13 0	8 12 0	7 8 0	8 12 0	8 12 0	100	112	96	112	112
Average—Food grains—Cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	106	105	110	110
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Dal, Arhar	Maund	5 15 0	6 14 0	6 14 0	6 14 0	5 15 0	100	116	116	116	100
" Channa	"	5 15 0	7 3 0	5 2 0	5 15 0	5 15 0	100	121	127	120	100
" Khesari	"	4 11 0	5 15 0	5 15 0	6 9 0	6 9 0	100	127	127	140	140
" Kalai	"	5 15 0	5 15 0	No quotation	5 10 0	6 1 6	100	100	...	95	102
" Mung, Soha	"	10 10 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	100	94	94	84	94
Average—Food grains—Pulses—	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	112	118	106	107
3. Sugar—											
No. 1 (Canspur, 1st class)	Maund	9 1 0	15 0 0	15 4 0	17 8 0	17 8 0	100	166	179	193	193
" 2 (Java, 2nd class)	"	8 7 0	14 6 0	15 10 0	17 8 0	15 0 0	100	170	185	207	178
" 3 (" 3rd ")	"	7 13 0	No quotation	No quotation	14 2 8	12 12 0	100	...	...	181	176
Average—Sugar	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	168	182	194	182
4. Tea—											
Pekoe, Broken	lb.	0 8 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	100	125	125	125	125
" Orange	"	0 12 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	100	100	100	100	100
Darjeeling dust	"	0 9 0	0 8 0	No quotation	0 12 0	0 12 0	100	89	...	128	128
Average—Tea	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	105	112	119	119
5. Other articles of food—											
Salt (Liverpool)	Maund	2 8 0	3 2 0	4 1 0	5 0 0	7 8 0	100	125	162	200	200
Meat—											
Beef—1st class (average)	Seer	0 7 2	0 8 3	0 8 4	0 7 10	0 7 10	100	106	108	102	102
" 2nd " "	"	0 5 1	0 5 4	0 5 4	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	106	106	101	101
Mutton—1st class "	"	0 13 0	0 12 8	0 12 8	0 11 0	0 11 0	100	94	94	85	85
" 2nd " "	"	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100	96	96	96
Average—Meat	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	101	101	96	96
Poultry—Fowl (for Cutlet)	Dozen	4 8 0	4 14 0	4 14 0	4 14 0	4 14 0	100	108	108	108	108
" " (for Roasting)	"	7 8 0	7 8 0	7 8 0	7 8 0	7 8 0	100	100	100	100	100
Average—Poultry	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	104	104	104	104
Eggs—Fowl	Dozen	0 8 8	0 9 4	0 8 1	0 7 10	0 5 1	100	108	96	90	59
" Duck	"	0 5 8	0 5 8	0 5 7	0 5 8	0 4 1	100	100	99	100	72
Average—Eggs	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	104	96	95	65
Fish—Bhetki (Sea)	Seer	1 3 0	1 4 0	1 7 0	1 9 0	1 1 0	100	105	121	122	89
" Rohi	"	0 12 0	0 14 0	0 10 0	0 13 0	0 10 0	100	117	83	106	88
" Hilsa (Fudma)	Each	0 10 0	0 8 0	0 8 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	100	80	80	103	100
Average—Fish	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	101	95	113	91
Milk—cow	Maund	10 0 0	11 4 0	11 4 0	11 4 0	11 4 0	100	112	112	112	112
Ghee (average)	Seer	1 8 0	1 7 0	1 9 0	1 10 0	2 4 0	100	96	104	106	150
Cheese—Dacca	lb.	0 11 0	0 11 0	0 11 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	100	100	100	109	109
" Overland	"	0 15 0	1 3 0	1 10 0	2 6 0(a)	2 6 0(a)	100	127	178	252	252
Average—Cheese	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	113	126	181	181
Butter—Bombay	lb.	0 10 0	0 11 6	0 12 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	100	115	120	120	120
" Aligarh	"	1 0 6	1 6 0	1 2 0	1 2 0	1 2 0	100	123	109	109	109
Average—Butter	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	124	114	119	119
Vegetables—Potatoes	Maund	7 8 0	9 6 0	9 6 0	7 8 0	6 14 0	100	120	120	100	96
" Tomatoes, Darjeeling	Seer	0 3 6	0 5 6	0 5 0	0 5 0(a)	0 4 6	100	157	145	145	129
" Brinjals	Seer	0 2 9	0 2 3	0 2 0	0 2 3	0 2 3	100	82	78	82	82
" Onions	Maund	3 7 0	3 7 0	3 7 0	3 7 0	5 10 0	100	100	100	100	164
" Garlic	"	11 4 0	11 4 0	11 4 0	9 6 0	9 6 0	100	100	100	83	83
Average—Vegetables	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	114	109	102	111
Fruits—Grapes (Peshawar)	lb.	0 14 0	No quotation	No quotation	0 14 0(b)	0 14 0(b)	100	...	...	100	100
" Papaya	Dozen	3 0 0	2 4 0	2 4 0	2 10 0	2 4 0	100	75	75	87	75
" Plantain (Chini champa)	Bunch	0 2 6	0 3 6	3 0	0 3 9	0 3 9	100	140	120	150	150
" " (Table)	"	0 3 9	0 3 9	0 3 9	0 6 3	0 6 3	100	100	100	167	167
Average—Fruits	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	105	98	126	123
Average—Other articles of food	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	108	108	117	119

(a) Relates to the quotation on 28th July 1917, the latest available.

(b) " " 18th August 1917 " " "

(c) " " 8th December 1917 " " "

RETAIL PRICES—CALCUTTA

No. 8—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Calcutta at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month)—continued.

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
6. Oils—											
Mustard oil	Seer	0 9 0	0 6 8	0 6 6	0 7 3	0 8 1 1/2	100	74	72	81	90
Average—All food articles	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	110	111	119	120
7. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Kerosene oil—Chester brand	Case	5 12 0	5 12 0	6 14 0	7 6 0	8 4 0	100	100	120	128	143
" Snowflake "	"	6 0 0	6 0 0	7 12 0	7 12 0	8 8 0	100	100	129	129	142
" Elephant "	2 tins	4 12 0	4 12 0	5 12 0	6 6 0	7 8 0	100	100	121	134	147
Average—Kerosene oil	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	123	130	144
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	109	112	120	121

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the Calcutta Municipal Market Reports.

RETAIL PRICES—BOMBAY

No. 9—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Bombay at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice (clean)	Maund	5 9 6	5 5 7	5 11 3	5 11 3	5 11 3	100	96	102	102	102
Wheat	"	5 9 6	6 2 6	5 3 8	5 11 3	6 15 7	100	110	93	102	125
Wheat flour	"	5 2 1	5 7 6	5 2 1	5 13 9	6 13 5	100	107	100	114	133
Jawar	"	4 5 8	3 11 9	3 10 1	4 1 4	5 3 3	100	86	83	94	120
Bajra	"	4 5 0	4 5 9	4 10 5	4 13 3	5 9 2	100	109	103	112	129
Naohni	"	4 7 8	5 1 3	4 12 2	4 12 2	4 13 5	100	113	106	106	109
Barley	"	4 8 5	4 5 10	4 14 1	4 14 1	5 3 3	100	96	108	108	115
Average—Food grains—Cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	101	100	105	119
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Gram	Maund	4 4 10	4 9 2	4 7 1	4 15 0	5 8 11	100	106	103	115	129
Tur dal	"	5 13 6	6 4 5	6 8 6	6 8 6	7 4 1	100	107	112	112	124
Kulthi	"	3 15 4	3 12 4	3 14 9	3 14 9	3 15 9	100	95	99	99	101
Average—Food grains—Pulses	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	103	105	109	118
3. Sugar—											
Sugar	Maund	7 9 11	12 11 2	13 13 8	15 12 3	16 5 3	100	167	182	207	214
Jagri (gull)	"	8 8 11	11 15 1	10 1 0	10 6 3	11 2 5	100	140	118	121	130
Average—Sugar	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	153	150	164	172
4. Tea and coffee—											
Tea	Maund	40 0 0	45 1 2	50 0 0	53 5 4	53 5 4	100	113	125	133	133
Coffee	"	57 2 3	57 2 3	57 2 3	57 2 3	57 2 3	100	100	100	100	100
Average—Tea and Coffee	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	106	112	116	116
5. Other articles of food—											
Salt	Maund	2 2 1	2 3 10	2 6 9	2 14 4	2 14 9	100	105	114	136	164
Meat—											
Beef	Seer	0 5 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 5 2	100	119	119	119	100
Mutton—sheep	"	0 6 2	0 7 2	0 8 2	0 8 2	0 8 7	100	116	132	133	139
" goat	"	0 7 2	0 8 2	0 8 2	0 8 2	0 8 7	100	114	114	114	120
Average—Meat	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	116	122	122	120
Fowls	Dosen	9 0 0	9 8 0	9 9 0	10 8 0	10 3 6	100	106	106	117	114
Eggs	"	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 6 10	0 6 11	0 7 2	100	100	114	115	119
Bread (wheat)	Seer	0 3 1	0 3 7	0 4 1	0 4 1	0 4 1	100	116	132	133	132
Milk	Maund	9 3 2	11 0 7	11 0 7	13 12 8	13 12 8	100	120	120	150	150
Ghee	"	50 12 8	57 2 3	57 2 3	63 10 8	65 4 11	100	112	112	131	129
Vegetables—											
Potatoes	Maund	4 7 8	4 13 10	4 6 4	5 11 5	6 0 3	100	109	98	123	134
Onions (dry)	"	1 8 10	2 15 2	1 13 3	1 12 7	2 3 2	100	100	118	115	142
Average—Vegetables	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	149	108	121	138
Average—Other articles of food	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	119	116	126	133
6. Oils—											
Coconut oil	Maund	25 6 4	21 12 4	21 5 4	19 6 9	17 9 4	100	83	84	75	69
Average—All food articles	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	113	112	119	127
7. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Kerosene oil—Chester brand	Case	5 2 0	5 2 0	6 9 0	7 2 0	7 14 6	100	100	128	139	154
" Elephant "	2 tins	4 6 0	4 6 0	5 8 0	6 2 0	6 10 6	100	100	126	140	151
" Snowflake "	Case	6 0 0	6 0 0	7 9 0	7 9 0	8 3 0	100	100	126	126	136
Average—Kerosene oil	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	127	135	147
Firewood	Maund	0 12 8	0 12 5	0 11 9	0 14 8	1 0 10	100	98	93	116	133
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	111	112	120	129

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the monthly return of prices current in the Bombay Presidency published by the Director of Agriculture, Bombay.

RETAIL PRICES—KARACHI

No. 10—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Karachi at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice (clean)	Maund	8 10 8	5 11 5	5 11 5	7 4 4	7 8 6	100	96	96	109	113
Wheat	"	4 3 4	4 11 4	4 7 1	5 5 4	6 9 7	100	112	106	127	157
Wheat flour	"	4 11 4	5 11 5	4 13 0	6 2 6	7 12 11	100	121	102	131	166
Jawar	"	3 10 2	3 10 2	3 10 2	3 5 4	3 12 11	100	100	100	92	105
Bajra	"	4 3 4	4 7 1	4 0 0	3 7 8	4 7 7	100	106	95	83	103
Barley	"	3 5 4	3 13 4	3 14 1	4 0 0	4 1 3	100	115	116	120	123
Average—Food grains—Cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	107	101	110	128
2. Food grains Pulses—											
Gram	Maund	3 12 11	3 13 4	3 12 11	4 0 0	4 7 1	100	101	100	105	117
3. Sugar—											
Sugar	"	7 4 4	12 4 11	14 5 4	16 2 11	15 2 8	100	169	197	223	299
Jagri (Gul)	"	6 15 4	8 0 0	10 0 0	11 6 10	13 5 4	100	115	144	164	192
Average—Sugar	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	142	170	193	200
4. Tea and Coffee—											
Tea	Maund	85 8 11	45 11 5	45 11 5	45 11 5	45 11 5	100	129	129	129	129
Coffee	"	41 15 6	40 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	100	95	95	95	95
Average—Tea and Coffee	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	112	112	112	112
5. Other articles of food—											
Salt	Maund	1 5 0	1 5 4	1 18 8	2 0 0	2 8 8	100	102	141	152	194
Meat—Beef	Seer	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 6 0	100	100	120	120	120
" Mutton—sheep	"	0 8 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	100	117	117	117	117
" "—goat	"	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 7 9	0 6 0	0 6 0	100	100	117	100	100
Average—Meat	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	108	118	112	112
Fowls	Doxen	9 10 0	9 8 0	9 8 0	9 8 0	9 8 0	100	99	99	99	99
Eggs	"	0 7 6	0 7 0	0 8 0	0 9 0	0 12 0	100	93	107	129	160
Bread, wheat	Seer	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 4 0	100	100	100	100	114
Milk	Maund	4 7 1	5 11 5	5 13 1	6 10 8	5 0 0	100	129	131	150	113
Ghee	"	42 10 8	45 11 5	53 5 4	60 15 4	58 2 11	100	107	123	143	186
Vegetables—											
Potatoes	"	5 6 9	9 2 3	8 6 9	7 5 8	7 12 11	100	169	155	186	144
Onions (dry)	"	1 13 1	2 3 7	3 9 6	1 7 6	2 15 10	100	122	198	81	104
Average—Vegetables	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	145	176	108	154
Average—Other articles of food	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	113	128	120	139
6. Oils—											
Coconut oil	Maund	24 9 10	21 5 4	26 1 11	22 13 0	20 0 0	100	87	106	93	81
Average—All food articles	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	112	121	121	128
7. Other raw and manufactured articles—											
Kerosene Oil—											
Chester brand	Case	5 2 0	5 2 0	6 9 0	7 2 0	7 14 0	100	100	128	139	154
Elephant	2 tins	4 7 0	4 7 0	5 7 0	6 1 0	6 9 0	100	100	123	137	148
Snowflake	Case	6 0 0	6 0 0	7 9 0	7 9 0	8 3 0	100	100	120	126	136
Average—Kerosene Oil	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	126	134	146
Firewood	Maund	0 11 6	0 10 6	0 12 0	1 0 0	1 3 0	100	91	104	139	185
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	110	121	123	136

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the monthly return of prices current in the Bombay Presidency published by the Director of Agriculture, Bombay.

RETAIL PRICES—MADRAS

No. 11—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Madras at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS				
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice (common)	Maund	5 14 0	5 5 4	5 12 3	5 7 6	5 14 10	100	91	98	93	101
Marua or Baji	"	3 6 6	3 1 3	3 4 0	3 4 3	3 4 0	100	90	95	96	95
Average—Food grains—Cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	80	88	84	88
2. Other articles of food—											
Salt	Maund	1 7 2	1 6 10	1 11 11	2 3 2	2 9 0	100	99	120	152	177
3. Oils—											
Coconut oil	Viss	1 0 0	0 14 0	0 15 0	0 14 0	0 13 0	100	87	94	87	81
GENERAL AVERAGE	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	92	102	107	113

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the fortnightly returns of prices furnished by the Board of Revenue, Madras.

RETAIL PRICES—RANGOON

No. 12—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Rangoon at the end of December 1917 and the middle of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with those at the middle of August 1914.

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE MIDDLE OF				Prices at the end of December 1917	INDEX NUMBERS				
		August 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917		Aug. 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.				
1. Food grains—Cereals—											
Rice—											
Best sort	Basket	4 8 0	4 12 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	3 12 0	100	106	94	94	83
Common sort	"	3 12 0	2 12 0	3 8 0	3 4 0	2 12 0	100	73	93	87	73
Average—Rice	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	89	93	90	78
Wheat flour	Viss	0 6 3	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 5 3	0 6 0	100	114	114	100	114
Average—Foodgrains—Cereals—	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	98	100	94	90
2. Food grains—Pulses—											
Dal—											
Arhar	Viss	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 5 0	0 6 0	0 6 0	100	100	111	133	133
Mysore	"	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 7 0	0 7 6	100	120	120	140	150
Average—Foodgrains—Pulses—Dal	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	110	116	136	141
3. Sugar—											
Sugar (white)	Viss	0 7 0	0 9 6	0 10 0	0 9 0	0 8 0	100	136	143	129	114
Jaggery	"	0 7 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 6	100	71	71	71	79
Average—Sugar	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	103	107	100	96
4. Tea—											
Tea (1st class)	Tin	1 4 0	1 3 0	1 2 0	1 4 0	1 4 0	100	95	90	100	100
(2nd ")	"	0 14 0	0 14 0	0 14 0	0 14 0	1 0 0	100	100	100	100	114
Average—Tea	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	97	95	100	107
5. Other articles of food—											
Salt	Viss	0 3 0	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 1 9	0 2 6	100	100	150	87	125
Meat—											
Beef (second class)	Viss	0 14 0	0 12 0	0 14 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	100	86	100	86	86
Mutton, best (sheep)	"	1 12 0	1 10 0	1 10 0	1 10 0	1 10 0	100	93	93	93	93
" " (goat)	"	1 8 0	1 6 0	1 6 0	1 8 0	1 8 0	100	100	100	100	100
Average—Meat	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	93	93	93	93
Fish—											
Fish (best)	Viss	1 8 0	1 4 0	1 4 0	1 6 0	1 0 0	100	83	83	92	87
Ngapi (common)	"	0 10 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	0 12 0	100	120	120	120	120
Salt fish (common)	"	1 12 0	1 10 0	1 10 0	1 8 0	1 10 0	100	93	93	86	93
Average—Fish	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	99	99	99	93
Ghee (inferior)	Viss	1 12 0	1 10 0	1 10 0	2 0 0	1 12 0	100	93	93	114	100
Condensed milk	Tin	0 7 0	0 7 0	0 7 6	0 9 3	0 9 6	100	100	107	132	136
Condiments and spices—											
Chilies	Viss	0 7 6	1 0 0	0 11 0	0 9 0	0 8 0	100	213	147	120	107
Turmeric	"	0 6 0	0 4 0	0 5 0	0 6 0	0 8 0	100	67	83	100	131
Garlic	"	0 6 6	0 6 0	0 6 6	0 5 0	0 6 9	100	92	92	77	104
Average—Condiments and spices	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	124	107	99	115
Vegetables—Onions	Viss	0 3 6	0 4 0	0 4 0	0 3 6	3 0	100	114	114	100	86
Average—Other articles of food	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	104	106	101	104
6. Oils—											
Oil (sesamum)	Viss	1 4 0	1 2 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	100	90	80	80	80
Average—All food articles	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	103	104	102	104

No. 12—Retail prices (with Index Numbers) in Rangoon at the end of December 1917 and the middle of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with those at the middle of August 1914—continued.

ARTICLES	Rate per	PRICES AT THE MIDDLE OF				Prices at the end of December 1917	INDEX NUMBERS					
		August 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917		Aug. 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.					
7. Textiles—Cotton—												
Cotton manufactures—												
Long cloth (good kind)	Yard	0 4 6	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 8 0	0 10 0	100	133	138	178	222	
" " (inferior kind)	"	0 4 0	0 3 0	0 4 6	0 6 6	0 8 0	100	75	112	162	200	
Mull	"	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 6 0	0 8 0	0 10 0	100	100	133	178	222	
Average—cotton manu- factures	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	103	126	178	215	
8. Other raw and manu- factured articles—												
Kerosene oil, Victoria	Tin	1 14 0	1 15 0	1 15 0	2 1 0	2 3 0	100	103	103	110	117	
" Gold Mohar	"	2 4 0	2 4 0	2 8 0	2 11 0	2 14 0	100	100	111	119	128	
" Devde	"	2 10 0	2 10 0	3 4 0	2 12 0	3 4 0	100	100	124	105	124	
Average—Kerosene oil	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	101	113	111	123	
GENERAL AVERAGE	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	102	107	110	117	

Note.—These statistics have been compiled from special fortnightly returns of prices furnished by the Commissioner of Settlements and Land Records, Burma, to this Department.

No. 13—Retail prices of wheat at principal markets in India.

MARKETS	Rate per	PRICES AT THE END OF					INDEX NUMBERS					
		July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917	
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.						
PORTS—												
Karachi	Maund	4 3 4	4 11 4	5 0 0	5 5 4	6 10 8	100	112	119	127	158	
Bombay	"	5 14 0	7 4 4	5 3 11	5 11 5	7 12 11	100	124	89	97	133	
PUNJAB—												
Lahore	"	3 11 6	4 11 4	3 14 5	4 3 4	5 0 0	100	126	105	113	134	
Ferozepur	"	3 7 8	4 7 1	3 14 5	4 0 0	5 5 4	100	128	112	115	153	
Lyallpur	"	3 8 11	4 7 1	4 0 0	4 1 8	5 5 4	100	125	112	115	150	
Amritsar	"	3 4 3	4 7 1	3 12 3	3 13 4	4 12 5	100	138	115	117	146	
Multan	"	3 7 8	4 1 8	3 12 11	4 1 8	4 14 9	100	118	110	118	142	
Ambala	"	3 11 6	4 11 4	3 13 8	4 0 0	5 2 7	100	126	104	107	139	
DELHI—												
Delhi	"	4 1 8	4 13 7	4 0 0	4 3 4	5 1 8	100	118	97	103	124	
UNITED PROVINCES—												
Aligarh	"	4 5 2	4 11 4	4 3 4	3 12 11	4 11 4	100	109	97	89	109	
Cawnpore	"	4 3 4	4 13 7	4 3 4	4 5 2	5 2 7	100	115	100	103	123	
Meerut	"	3 11 6	4 11 4	4 0 0	4 0 0	5 0 0	100	126	107	107	134	
CENTRAL PROVINCES—												
Nagpur	"	4 2 11	4 14 9	3 14 10	4 5 2	5 3 3	100	118	94	103	134	
Jubbulpore	"	4 7 1	4 11 4	4 0 0	3 12 3	5 5 4	100	106	90	85	120	
BIHAR AND ORISSA—												
Bhagalpur	"	4 3 4	4 14 9	4 3 4	3 12 11	4 8 1	100	117	100	90	107	
MEDIAN AVERAGE (15 PRIN- CIPAL MARKETS)	"	4 1 8	4 11 4	4 0 0	4 1 8	5 2 7	100	115	97	100	126	
MEDIAN AVERAGE (37 MARKETS ALL-INDIA)	"	4 2 11	4 13 7	4 1 8	4 4 2	5 2 7	100	116	98	102	123	

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the fortnightly returns of prices furnished by Local Governments and Administrations.

FREIGHTS

No. 14—Rates of maritime freights (with index numbers) for certain staple articles from Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, and Madras at the end of December 1917 and of August 1915, 1916 and 1917, as compared with July 1914 (the pre-war month).

ARTICLES	Freights to	Rate per	FREIGHTS					INDEX NUMBERS				
			July 1914	August 1915	August 1916	August 1917	December 1917	July 1914	Aug. 1915	Aug. 1916	Aug. 1917	Dec. 1917
CALCUTTA												
Rice	London (via Canal up to December 1916 and thereafter via Cape).	Ton	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.					
			1 0 0	3 12 0	7 10 0	14 10 0	14 10 0	100	360	750	1450	1450
Wheat	Ditto	"	1 0 0	3 12 0	7 10 0	14 10 0	14 10 0	100	360	750	1450	1450
Linseed	Ditto	"	1 2 6	3 15 0	7 12 6	Nominal	Nominal	100	333	678	..	..
Rapeseed	Ditto	"	1 6 0	3 16 0	8 0 0	Do.	Do.	100	312	640	..	..
Jute	Ditto	"	1 2 6	3 15 0	7 12 6	Do.	20 0 0	100	333	678	..	1778
Cotton	Ditto	"	1 2 6	3 15 0	7 12 6	14 12 6	14 12 6	100	333	678	1300	1300
Tea	Ditto	"	1 15 0	2 7 6	2 7 6	3 16 0	15 0 0	100	136	136	214	857
Eldes	Ditto	"	2 10 0	5 2 0	12 10 0	22 10 0	22 10 0	100	204	500	900	900
Shellac	Ditto	"	1 10 0	4 4 0	8 2 6	Nominal	Nominal	100	280	542	..	..
Rice	Liverpool (via Canal up to December 1916 and thereafter via Cape).	"	1 0 0	3 12 0	..	14 10 0	14 10 0	100	360	..	1450	1450
Wheat	Ditto	"	1 0 0	3 12 0	..	14 10 0	14 10 0	100	360	..	1450	1450
Cotton	Ditto	"	1 2 6	3 15 0	..	14 12 6	14 12 6	100	333	..	1300	1300
Jute	Dundee (via Canal and Cape as above).	"	1 2 6	3 15 0	8 2 6	Nominal	20 0 0	100	333	722	..	1778
Linseed	New York	"	1 6 9	4 10 0	..	Do.	20 0 0	100	336	..	..	1495
Gummes	Ditto	"	1 15 0	5 1 3	8 12 6	20 0 0	20 0 0	100	369	493	1143	1142
Rice	Mauritius	Bag (2 mds.)	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.					
			1 4 0	2 6 6	3 10 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	100	190	290	480	480
BOMBAY												
Wheat	London	Ton	0 10 6	2 7 0	5 15 0	10 16 0	13 15 0	100	448	1095	2048	2619
Wheat	Liverpool	"	0 11 0	2 2 0	6 10 0	15 0 0	15 0 0	100	391	1182	2727	2727
Cotton	Ditto	"	0 10 6	2 10 0	6 5 0	13 15 0	13 15 0	100	476	1190	2619	2619
Seeds	Ditto	"	0 10 6	2 5 0	5 15 0	10 0 0	10 5 0	100	429	1095	1905	1952
KARACHI												
Wheat	Liverpool	"	0 10 0	2 7 6	5 10 0	11 5 0	12 10 0	100	475	1100	2250	2500
Cotton	Ditto	"	0 12 0	2 10 0	6 0 0	No quotation	No quotation	100	417	1000	..	..
Seeds	Ditto	"	0 10 0	2 7 6	5 10 0	..	12 10 0	100	475	1100	..	2500
Wool	Ditto	"	0 17 6	3 0 0	7 0 0	(a) 7 10 0	No quotation	100	343	300	857	..
MADRAS												
Rice	London	Ton	1 6 2	4 6 8	(b) 5 12 6			100	337	429	1219	1219
Cotton	Ditto	50 c-ft.	1 3 2	5 0 10	8 5 0			100	425	695	1347	1347
Indigo	Ditto	"	2 12 6	5 5 0	9 10 0			100	200	362	610	610
Jaggery	Ditto	Ton	1 2 6	4 7 0	(b) 5 11 0			100	387	493	1422	1422
Coffee (in bags)	Ditto	18 cwt.	1 10 0	3 12 0	(b) 4 10 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	100	280	300	1067	1067
Myrobolan	Ditto	Ton	1 6 2	4 10 0	(b) 5 14 0			100	343	434	1219	1219
Eldes and Skins	Ditto	50 c-ft.	2 0 0	4 10 0	8 15 0			100	225	437	800	800
Groundnuts	Marseilles	Ton	1 3 9	4 5 0	10 10 0			100	358	684	1347	1347

(a) Relates to 4th April 1917

(b) Relates to January 1916 since then the rates are nominal.

NOTE.—These statistics have been compiled from the Prices Current and Market Reports published by the Chambers of Commerce, Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi and Madras; also from Bombay Market Report and Liverpool "Corn Trade News."

HOUSE-RENTS

No. 15—Summary Table—Percentage fluctuations in House-rents in different blocks of each port during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917, as compared with the pre-war year (1913).

LOCALITY	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre-war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
CALCUTTA—						
Ward No. 3	98	100	100	100	100	100
" 4	93	100	102	102	112	115
" 5	88	100	100	100	100	100
" 7	74	100	101	101	105	112
" 8	88	100	138	138	138	138
" 10	89	100	102	102	104	104
" 12	93	100	102	102	102	103
" 13	89	100	103	104	104	108
" 14	81	100	104	107	112	112
" 15	82	100	100	104	104	104
" 16	86	100	100	100	100	100
" 18	87	100	109	109	109	109
<i>General Average</i>	88	100	104	105	106	109
BOMBAY—						
Ward No. A (Colaba and Fort)	100	100	104	105	107	108
" B (Mandvi)	90	100	104	104	104	104
" C (Dhobitalao)	80	100	105	110	113	114
" D (Girgaum)	89	100	104	110	122	124
" E (Byculla)	86	100	100	104	113	121
" F (Parel)	85	100	105	108	119	121
" G (Mahim)	90	100	102	106	130	130
<i>General Average.</i>	89	100	103	107	117	118
KARACHI—						
Napier quarter	85	100	100	143	142	142
Garden "	100	100	219	219	219	200
Bunder "	85	100	100	100	100	100
Machi Meani "	97	100	187	185	185	182
Old town "	93	100	102	123	137	137
Rambagh "	58	100	94	94	94	104
Scrai "	74	100	100	100	100	100
Jail "	84	100	100	100	123	123
Lyari "	101	100	134	131	131	144
Civil Lines "	87	100	114	114	114	114
Clifton "	100	100	100	100	100	100
Frere town "	100	100	100	146	146	146
Sadar Bazar "	94	100	103	144	144	144
Runchore "	92	100	100	169	169	169
Ramswami "	100	100	100	159	159	159
Preedy "	100	100	100	150	150	150
Market "	74	100	123	123	139	139
<i>General Average</i>	88	100	114	135	140	141
MADRAS—						
1st Division	87	100	95	95	95	95
2nd "	103	100	100	90	90	115
3rd "	96	100	100	100	100	111
4th "	98	100	100	119	119	119
5th "	91	100	125	124	124	124
6th "	86	100	135	132	133	133
7th "	99	100	117	115	115	117
8th "	95	100	123	123	123	128
9th "	94	100	133	131	131	139
10th "	94	100	100	117	117	117
11th "	86	100	111	112	112	112
12th "	89	100	107	105	121	121
13th "	92	100	100	100	115	115
14th "	84	100	97	97	97	94
15th "	85	100	107	108	108	112
16th "	96	100	100	153	155	152
17th "	68	100	100	100	100	100
18th "	83	100	100	100	100	124
19th "	93	100	100	101	106	112
20th "	98	100	115	115	115	164
<i>General Average</i>	92	100	111	113	115	122

HOUSE-RENTS—CALCUTTA

No. 16—Statistics of House-rents in Calcutta during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre-war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.						
WARD NO. 3.													
1	Seriff's Lane	28 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	93	100	100	100	100	100
2	Ditto	47 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	104	100	100	100	100	100
3	Beacon Street	53 0 0	55 0 0	55 0 0	55 0 0	55 0 0	55 0 0	96	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	93	100	100	100	100	100
WARD NO. 4.													
1	Shib Narain Das Lane	38 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	50 0 0	84	100	100	100	100	111
2	Ditto	68 0 0	72 0 0	77 0 0	77 0 0	90 0 0	90 0 0	94	100	107	107	125	125
3	Bukeas Street	68 0 0	68 0 0	68 0 0	68 0 0	75 0 0	75 0 0	100	100	100	100	110	110
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	93	100	102	102	112	115
WARD NO. 5.													
1	Mimtola Ghat Street	60 0 0	68 0 0	68 0 0	68 0 0	68 0 0	68 0 0	88	100	100	100	100	100
WARD NO. 7.													
1	Pollock Street	375 0 0	400 0 0	400 0 0	400 0 0	400 0 0	550 0 0	94	100	100	100	100	137
2	Ram Street	130 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	81	100	100	100	100	100
3	Radhabazar Street	75 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	60	100	100	100	100	100
4	Ditto	140 0 0	250 0 0	260 0 0	260 0 0	260 0 0	260 0 0	56	100	104	104	104	184
5	Old Chinabazar Street	400 0 0	500 0 0	500 0 0	500 0 0	600 0 0	600 0 0	80	100	100	100	120	120
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	74	100	101	101	105	112
WARD NO. 8.													
1	Colootola Street	410 0 0	410 0 0	680 0 0	680 0 0	680 0 0	680 0 0	100	100	166	166	166	166
2	Giri Babu's Lane	68 0 0	90 0 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	76	100	111	111	111	111
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	88	100	138	138	138	138
WARD NO. 10.													
1	Chandney Chowk, 2nd Lane	20 0 0	23 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	(a)27 0 3	(a)27 0 3	87	100	109	109	117	117
x	Rafi Serang's Lane	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
3	Ditto	24 0 0	24 0 0	24 0 0	24 0 0	24 0 0	24 0 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
4	Rowbazar Street	77 0 0	112 0 0	112 0 0	112 0 0	112 0 0	112 0 0	60	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	100	102	102	104	104

(a) Inclusive of taxes.

No. 16—Statistics of House-rents in Calcutta during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917—*contd.*

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war years=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre-war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.						
WARD NO. 12.													
1	Old Court House Street	800 0 0	875 0 0	965 0 0	965 0 0	965 0 0	965 0 0	91	100	110	110	110	110
2	Ditto	1,600 0 0	1,800 0 0	1,800 0 0	1,800 0 0	1,800 0 0	2,000 0 0	89	100	100	100	100	111
3	Hare Street	475 0 0	525 0 0	525 0 0	525 0 0	525 0 0	525 0 0	90	100	100	100	100	100
4	Waterloo Street	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	107	100	100	100	100	100
5	Crooked Lane	100 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	160 0 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
6	Ditto	104 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	88	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	93	100	102	102	102	102
WARD NO. 13.													
1	Chowringhee Road	700 0 0	750 0 0	750 0 0	800 0 0	800 0 0	800 0 0	93	100	100	107	107	107
2	Ditto	175 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	70	100	100	100	100	100
3	Lindsay Street	170 0 0	180 0 0	180 0 0	180 0 0	180 0 0	190 0 0	94	100	100	100	100	104
4	Sudder Street	800 0 0	320 0 0	320 0 0	320 0 0	320 0 0	350 0 0	94	100	100	100	100	109
5	Dhuramtola Street	65 0 0	80 0 0	80 0 0	80 0 0	80 0 0	85 0 0	81	100	100	100	100	108
6	Ditto	75 0 0	75 0 0	90 0 0	90 0 0	90 0 0	90 0 0	100	100	120	120	120	120
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	100	102	104	104	104
WARD NO. 14.													
1	Wellesley Square	65 0 0	80 0 0	86 2 3	86 2 3	94 2 3	94 2 3	81	100	108	108	118	118
2	Ditto	61 0 0	75 0 0	75 0 0	80 0 0	80 0 0	80 0 0	81	100	100	107	107	107
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	81	100	104	107	112	112
WARD NO. 15.													
1	Outram Street	425 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	94	100	100	100	100	100
2	Boyd Street	64 0 0	90 0 0	90 0 0	97 8 0	97 8 0	97 8 0	71	100	100	108	108	108
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	82	100	100	104	104	104
WARD NO. 16.													
1	Wood Street	793 12 0	920 0 0	920 0 0	920 0 0	920 0 0	920 0 0	86	100	100	100	100	100
WARD NO. 18.													
	Chapel Road, Hastings	40 0 0	46 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	87	100	109	109	109	109
	<i>General Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	88	100	104	106	106	109

(a) Inclusive of taxes.

SOURCE:—The statistics for 1908 have been taken from the Prices Enquiry Report, Vol. II and those for 1913 to 1917 have been obtained from the Administrator General of Bengal (letter No 11422, dated the 15th December, 1917) and certain landholders in Calcutta.

HOUSE-RENTS—BOMBAY

No. 17—Statistics of House-rents in Bombay during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
	WARD NO. A.												
	COLABA AND FORT	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
1		136	98	98	98	98	98	139	100	100	100	100	100
2		350	374	490	490	520	520	94	100	128	128	139	139
3		220	220	220	220	220	220	100	100	100	100	100	100
4		690	299	408	408	484	484	231	100	136	136	162	162
5		460	532	550	550	577	577	86	100	103	103	108	108
6		190	198	208	208	208	234	96	100	105	105	105	118
7		265	265	265	265	265	287	100	100	100	100	100	108
8		125	125	125	125	137	137	100	100	100	100	110	110
9		82	122	122	122	122	122	67	100	100	100	100	100
10		77	115	115	135	135	135	67	100	100	117	117	117
11		309	309	309	309	309	309	100	100	100	100	100	100
12		45	59	59	59	59	59	76	100	100	100	100	100
13		230	268	268	268	268	268	82	100	100	100	100	100
14		192	162	170	170	170	170	100	100	105	105	105	105
15		165	165	165	165	165	165	100	100	100	100	100	100
16		731	677	677	677	677	677	108	100	100	100	100	100
17		251	251	251	251	251	251	100	100	100	100	100	100
18		275	300	300	300	300	300	92	100	100	100	100	100
19		276	353	353	353	353	353	78	100	100	100	100	100
20		790	876	876	876	876	876	90	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	100	104	105	107	108
	WARD NO. B.												
	MANDVI												
1		235	202	202	202	202	202	116	100	100	100	100	100
2		172	188	188	200	200	200	91	100	100	106	106	106
3		134	134	134	134	134	134	100	100	100	100	100	100
4		44	75	80	80	80	80	59	100	107	107	107	107
5		66	66	66	66	66	66	100	100	100	100	100	100
6		51	51	72	72	72	72	100	100	141	141	141	141
7		186	268	268	268	268	268	69	100	100	100	100	100
8		52	39	39	39	39	39	133	100	100	100	100	100
9		51	82	82	82	82	82	62	100	100	100	100	100
10		71	84	84	84	84	84	85	100	100	100	100	100
11		387	617	617	617	617	617	63	100	100	100	100	100
12		367	380	380	380	380	380	97	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	90	100	104	104	104	104
	WARD NO. C.												
	DROBITOLAO												
1		142	200	200	200	200	202	71	100	100	100	100	101
2		100	220	220	220	255	255	45	100	100	100	116	116
3		189	189	189	189	189	189	100	100	100	100	100	100
4		162	233	233	233	233	233	70	100	100	100	100	100
5		76	126	126	140	140	140	60	100	100	111	111	111
6		215	215	215	269	269	269	100	100	100	125	125	125
7		98	112	128	128	128	128	87	100	114	114	114	114
8		211	231	231	231	222	222	91	100	100	100	96	96
9		168	328	328	374	374	374	48	100	100	114	114	114
10		172	221	221	221	221	221	78	100	100	100	100	100
11		84	99	99	99	126	126	85	100	100	100	127	127
12		98	180	180	216	216	216	54	100	100	114	114	114
13		67	67	67	92	92	92	100	100	100	87	137	137
14		88	120	120	120	120	120	73	100	100	100	100	100
15		80	114	114	114	114	114	70	100	100	100	100	100
16		97	97	150	150	182	182	100	100	155	155	188	188
17		98	98	98	98	98	98	100	100	100	100	100	100
18		80	93	93	104	104	104	86	100	100	112	112	112
19		88	98	98	98	98	98	100	100	100	100	100	100
20		135	189	189	189	189	189	71	100	100	100	100	100
21		100	199	199	199	199	199	95	100	100	100	100	100
22		83	125	164	164	164	195	66	100	131	131	131	153
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	80	100	105	110	113	114

No. 17—Statistics of House-rents in Bombay during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917—contd.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
	WARD NO. D.												
	GIRGAUM	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
1		17	19	19	25	25	25	89	100	100	132	132	132
2		49	49	49	61	61	61	100	100	100	124	124	124
3		24	40	60	80	80	80	60	100	150	150	200	200
4		125	125	125	125	125	125	100	100	100	100	100	100
5		21	21	24	24	24	24	100	100	114	114	114	114
6		192	235	235	235	235	268	82	100	100	100	100	114
7		40	50	50	50	50	50	80	100	100	100	100	100
8		35	45	45	45	45	45	78	100	100	100	100	100
9		40	70	70	70	70	81	57	100	100	100	100	116
10		343	358	358	358	483	483	96	100	100	100	135	135
11		36	75	87	87	129	129	48	100	116	116	172	172
12		58	58	58	58	67	67	100	100	100	100	116	116
13		48	48	48	48	48	48	100	100	100	100	100	100
14		25	25	25	25	25	25	100	100	100	100	100	100
15		46	57	57	57	63	63	81	100	100	100	111	111
16		95	95	95	150	150	160	100	100	100	158	158	168
17		150	150	150	150	218	218	100	100	100	100	145	145
18		297	297	297	297	297	297	100	100	100	100	100	100
19		133	133	133	133	153	153	100	100	100	100	115	116
20		121	121	121	121	142	142	100	100	100	100	117	117
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	100	104	110	122	124
	WARD NO. E.												
	BYCULLA												
1		346	464	464	464	464	464	75	100	100	100	100	100
2		155	221	221	221	275	275	70	100	100	100	124	124
3		133	157	157	157	157	157	85	100	100	100	100	100
4		40	47	47	47	42	42	85	100	100	100	89	89
5		229	264	264	264	264	264	87	100	100	100	100	100
6		381	553	553	553	553	553	69	100	100	100	100	100
7		7	7	7	7	7	12	100	100	100	100	100	171
8		135	166	166	166	166	166	81	100	100	100	100	100
9		70	79	79	125	125	169	89	100	100	158	158	214
10		14	14	14	14	29	29	100	100	100	100	207	207
11		20	40	40	40	40	40	50	100	100	100	100	100
12		179	179	179	179	179	179	100	100	100	100	100	100
13		78	78	78	78	78	78	100	100	100	100	100	100
14		70	85	85	85	85	85	82	100	100	100	100	100
15		12	12	12	12	12	12	100	100	100	100	100	100
16		20	20	20	20	27	27	100	100	100	100	135	135
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	86	100	100	104	113	121
	WARD NO. F.												
	PAREL												
1		145	158	158	158	158	186	92	100	100	100	100	118
2		65	85	120	120	120	120	54	100	141	141	141	141
3		80	101	101	101	116	116	79	100	100	100	115	115
4		123	205	205	205	205	205	60	100	100	100	100	100
5		42	46	46	46	46	46	91	100	100	100	100	100
6		34	35	35	35	35	35	97	100	100	100	100	100
7		50	50	50	50	73	73	100	100	100	100	146	146
8		21	21	21	27	27	27	100	100	100	129	129	129
9		27	30	30	30	42	42	90	100	100	100	140	140
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	56	100	105	108	119	121

No. 17—Statistics of House-rents in Bombay during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917—concl'd.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT					INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)						
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
	WARD NO. G. MAHIM	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
1		71	71	71	71	71	71	100	100	100	100	100	100
2		49	55	55	55	55	55	89	100	100	100	100	100
3		31	38	38	38	38	38	82	100	100	100	100	100
4		40	52	52	52	52	52	77	100	100	100	100	100
5		2	2	2	2	2	6	100	100	100	300	300	300
6		65	90	90	107	107	107	72	100	100	119	119	119
7		80	93	93	93	93	93	88	100	100	100	100	100
8		212	243	243	243	353	353	87	100	100	100	145	145
9		38	38	38	38	38	38	100	100	100	100	100	100
10		8	8	8	8	8	8	100	100	100	100	100	100
11		5	5	5	5	5	5	100	100	100	100	100	100
12		8	8	8	8	18	18	100	100	100	100	225	225
13		12	12	12	12	12	12	100	100	100	100	100	100
14		10	18	18	18	18	18	58	100	100	100	100	100
15		55	38	38	38	59	59	153	100	100	100	164	164
16		10	10	10	16	16	16	100	100	100	160	160	160
17		5	5	7	7	10	10	100	100	140	140	200	200
18		5	5	5	5	5	5	100	100	100	100	100	100
19		10	28	28	28	28	28	36	100	100	100	100	100
20		4	4	4	4	4	4	100	100	100	100	100	100
21		40	40	40	40	40	40	100	100	100	100	100	100
22		3	4	4	4	5	5	75	100	100	100	125	125
23		3	7	7	9	9	9	43	100	100	129	129	129
24		20	20	20	20	20	20	100	100	100	100	100	100
25		4	4	4	4	7	7	100	100	100	100	175	175
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	90	100	102	106	130	130
	General Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	100	103	107	117	118

Source:—The statistics for 1908 have been taken from the Prices Enquiry Report, Vol. II, and those for 1913 to 1917 have been obtained through the Collector of Bombay (letter No. 216, dated the 16th January, 1918).

HOUSE-RENTS—KARACHI

No. 18—Statistics of House-rents in Karachi during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
	NAPIER	Ra. A.	Ra. A.	Rd. A.	Ra. A.	Ra. A.	Ra. A.						
1		8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
2		6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	100	100	100	133	133	133
3		7 8	9 0	9 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	83	100	100	133	133	133
4		4 0	4 8	4 8	13 0	13 0	13 0	89	100	100	289	289	289
5		33 0	37 0	37 0	37 0	37 0	37 0	89	100	100	100	100	100
6		30 0	72 0	72 0	90 0	90 0	90 0	42	100	100	125	125	125
7		4 8	5 0	5 0	7 0	7 0	7 0	90	100	100	140	140	140
8		2 8	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	83	100	100	100	100	100
9		3 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	100	100	100	133	133	133
10		5 0	8 8	8 8	10 0	8 0	8 0	59	100	100	118	94	94
11		18 0	24 0	24 0	29 0	29 0	29 0	75	100	100	121	121	121
12		8 0	10 0	10 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	80	100	100	150	150	150
13		8 0	8 0	8 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	100	100	100	112	112	112
14		10 0	13 0	13 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	77	100	100	123	123	123
15		6 8	6 0	6 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	108	100	100	167	167	167
16		6 0	7 0	7 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	86	100	100	143	143	143
17		30 0	75 0	75 0	144 0	144 0	144 0	40	100	100	192	192	192
18		30 0	62 0	62 0	62 0	62 0	62 0	48	100	100	100	100	100
19		55 0	78 0	78 0	105 0	105 0	105 0	71	100	100	135	135	135
20		10 0	14 0	14 0	18 0	18 0	18 0	71	100	100	129	129	129
21		67 0	67 0	67 0	67 0	67 0	67 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
22		15 0	30 0	30 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50	100	100	167	167	167
23		141 0	100 0	100 0	241 0	241 0	241 0	141	100	100	241	241	241
24		110 0	71 0	71 0	143 0	143 0	143 0	155	100	100	201	201	201
25		15 0	15 0	15 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	100	100	100	133	133	133
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	85	100	100	143	142	142
	GARDEN												
1		70 0	70 0	165 0	165 0	165 0	125 0	100	100	236	236	236	179
2		59 0	59 0	96 0	96 0	96 0	96 0	100	100	163	163	163	163
3		50 0	50 0	129 8	129 8	129 8	129 8	100	100	259	259	259	259
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	100	219	219	219	200
	BUNDBE												
1		16 0	28 0	28 0	28 0	28 0	28 0	57	100	100	100	100	100
2		40 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	80	100	100	100	100	100
3		30 0	45 0	45 0	45 0	45 0	45 0	67	100	100	100	100	100
4		48 0	91 12	91 12	91 12	91 12	91 12	52	100	100	100	100	100
5		20 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	67	100	100	100	100	100
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	65	100	100	100	100	100
	MACHI MEANI												
1		10 0	10 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	100	100	200	200	200	200
2		25 0	25 0	36 0	36 0	36 0	36 0	100	100	144	144	144	144
3		80 0	80 0	140 0	130 0	130 0	130 0	100	100	175	162	162	162
4		9 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
5		10 0	10 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	100	100	150	150	150	150
6		4 0	4 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	100	100	250	250	250	250
7		8 0	8 8	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	94	100	188	188	188	188
8		27 0	27 0	65 0	65 0	65 0	55 0	100	100	241	241	204	204
9		20 0	20 0	45 0	45 0	45 0	45 0	100	100	225	225	225	225
10		77 0	100 0	195 0	195 0	195 0	195 0	77	100	195	195	195	195
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	97	100	187	185	185	182

No. 18—Statistics of House-rents in Karachi during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917—contd.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.						
	OLD TOWN												
1		2 0	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	80	100	100	100	100	100
2		20 0	20 0	20 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	100	100	100	125	125	125
3		15 0	14 0	14 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	107	100	100	121	121	121
4		35 0	40 0	40 0	41 0	41 0	63 0	87	100	100	102	102	157
5		11 0	4 0	4 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	275	100	100	250	250	250
6		45 0	40 0	40 0	54 0	54 0	54 0	112	100	100	135	135	135
7		32 0	28 0	28 0	28 0	28 0	28 0	114	100	100	100	100	100
8		5 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	82	100	100	125	100	100
9		12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
10		8 0	11 4	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	71	100	107	107	107	107
11		12 0	12 0	12 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	100	100	100	125	125	125
12		8 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	87	100	100	100	100	100
13		12 0	13 8	13 8	15 0	15 0	15 0	89	100	100	111	111	111
14		8 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	9 0	89	100	100	100	100	100
15		30 0	40 0	65 0	101 0	101 0	101 0	75	100	162	252	252	252
16		7 0	7 0	7 0	7 0	30 0	30 0	100	100	100	100	429	429
17		10 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	83	100	100	100	100	100
18		12 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	80	100	100	100	100	100
19		10 0	12 0	12 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	83	100	100	167	167	167
20		15 0	20 0	20 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	75	100	100	125	125	125
21		14 0	14 0	14 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	100	100	100	121	121	121
22		15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
23		8 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	80	100	100	100	100	100
24		5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
25		10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
26		11 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	79	100	100	100	100	100
27		17 0	18 0	18 0	22 0	22 0	22 0	94	100	100	122	122	122
28		15 0	20 0	20 0	31 0	31 0	31 0	75	100	100	155	155	155
29		12 0	25 0	25 0	32 8	32 8	32 8	48	100	100	130	130	130
30		15 0	20 0	20 0	25 0	47 0	40 0	75	100	100	125	235	200
31		8 0	10 0	10 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	80	100	100	120	120	120
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	93	100	102	123	137	137
	RANBAGH												
1		10 4	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	20 0	64	100	100	100	100	125
2		18 0	31 0	31 0	31 0	31 0	42 0	53	100	100	100	100	135
3		100 0	385 0	350 0	350 0	350 0	354 8	42	100	91	91	91	92
4		18 0	26 0	26 0	26 0	26 0	28 0	69	100	100	100	100	108
5		20 0	39 0	39 0	39 0	39 0	39 0	51	100	100	100	100	100
6		8 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	15 0	57	100	100	100	100	107
7		35 0	65 0	40 0	40 0	40 0	40 0	54	100	62	62	62	62
8		10 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	50	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	56	100	94	94	94	104
	SERAI												
1		100 0	135 0	135 0	135 0	135 0	135 0	74	100	100	100	100	100
	JAL												
1		12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	15 0	15 0	100	100	100	100	125	125
2		10 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	20 0	20 0	83	100	100	100	167	167
3		27 0	46 0	46 0	46 0	50 0	50 0	59	100	100	100	109	109
4		25 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	30 0	30 0	100	100	100	100	120	120
5		20 0	23 0	23 0	23 0	30 0	30 0	87	100	100	100	130	130
6		20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	25 0	25 0	100	100	100	100	125	125
7		32 0	53 0	53 0	53 0	45 0	45 0	60	100	100	85	85	85
	<i>Average</i>	84	100	100	100	123	133

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Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.						
	LYARI												
1		5 12	5 8	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	105	100	182	182	182	182
2		8 0	8 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	100	100	250	250	250	250
3		18 0	18 0	40 0	40 0	40 0	40 0	100	100	222	222	222	222
4		5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
5		3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	100	100	100	100	100	133
6		8 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	200	100	100	100	100	100
7		77 14	78 0	78 0	80 0	78 0	125 0	100	100	100	103	100	160
8		90 0	90 0	90 0	90 0	90 0	140 0	100	100	100	100	100	150
9		60 0	60 0	60 0	60 0	60 0	90 0	100	100	100	100	100	150
10		4 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	87	100	100	100	100	100
11		10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
12		8 0	8 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	100	100	125	125	125	125
13		4 8	4 8	4 8	4 8	4 8	4 8	100	100	100	100	100	100
14		20 6	50 0	60 0	34 8	34 8	34 8	41	100	120	69	69	69
15		11 0	11 0	24 0	24 0	24 0	24 0	100	100	218	218	218	218
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	101	100	134	131	131	144
	CIVIL LINES												
1		110 0	225 0	230 0	230 0	230 0	230 0	49	100	102	102	102	102
2		50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
3		110 0	110 0	130 0	130 0	130 0	130 0	100	100	118	118	118	118
4		125 0	125 0	170 0	170 0	170 0	170 0	100	100	136	136	136	136
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	87	100	114	114	114	114
	CLIFTON												
1		50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
	FRERE TOWN												
1		60 0	60 0	60 0	95 0	95 0	95 0	100	100	100	158	158	158
2		57 0	57 0	57 0	90 0	90 0	90 0	100	100	100	158	158	158
3		30 0	30 0	30 0	45 0	45 0	45 0	100	100	100	150	150	150
4		50 0	50 0	50 0	60 0	60 0	60 0	100	100	100	120	120	120
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	100	100	146	146	146
	SADAB BAZAR												
1		65 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	100 0	65	100	100	100	100	100
2		30 0	31 4	31 4	42 0	42 0	42 0	96	100	100	134	134	134
3		38 0	38 0	54 0	57 8	57 8	57 8	100	100	142	151	151	151
4		30 0	30 0	30 0	52 0	52 0	52 0	100	100	100	173	173	173
5		15 0	15 0	15 0	23 0	23 0	23 0	100	100	100	153	153	153
6		125 0	200 0	200 0	300 0	300 0	300 0	62	100	100	150	150	150
7		20 0	20 0	20 0	22 0	22 0	22 0	100	100	100	110	110	110
8		18 0	18 0	18 0	34 0	34 0	34 0	100	100	100	189	189	189
9		80 0	80 0	80 0	110 0	110 0	110 0	100	100	100	137	137	137
10		6 0	6 0	6 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	100	100	100	217	217	217
11		12 0	12 0	12 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	100	100	100	125	125	125
12		36 8	36 8	36 8	47 0	47 0	47 0	100	100	100	129	129	129
13		30 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Average	94	100	103	144	144	144

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Serial No.	LOCALITY	MONTHLY RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.						
1 2 3 4 5	RUNCHOBE	5 0	5 0	5 0	8 8	8 8	8 8	100	100	100	170	170	170
		3 8	3 8	3 8	6 0	6 0	6 0	100	100	100	171	171	171
		4 0	4 0	4 0	6 8	6 8	6 8	100	100	100	162	162	162
		7 8	7 8	7 8	16 0	16 0	16 0	100	100	100	213	213	213
		15 0	25 0	25 0	32 0	32 0	32 0	60	100	100	128	128	123
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	92	100	100	169	169	169
1 2 3 4 5	RAMSWAMI	6 0	6 0	6 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	100	100	100	133	133	133
		7 0	7 0	7 0	8 8	8 8	8 8	100	100	100	121	121	121
		5 0	5 0	5 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	100	100	100	240	240	240
		7 0	7 0	7 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	100	100	100	200	200	200
		8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	100	100	159	159	159
1 2	PREEDY	30 0	30 0	30 0	60 0	60 0	60 0	100	100	100	200	200	200
		25 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	100	100	150	150	150
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14	MARKET	21 0	25 0	25 0	25 0	32 0	32 0	84	100	100	100	128	128
		16 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	80	100	100	100	100	100
		16 0	30 0	109 0	109 0	109 0	109 0	41	100	279	279	279	279
		10 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	17 0	17 0	83	100	100	100	142	142
		24 0	34 0	34 0	32 0	47 0	47 0	71	100	100	94	138	138
		15 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	40 0	40 0	50	100	100	100	131	131
		97 8	130 0	130 0	130 0	130 0	130 0	75	109	100	100	100	100
		10 0	30 0	30 0	30 0	35 0	35 0	33	100	100	100	117	117
		155 0	200 0	200 0	200 0	250 0	253 0	77	100	100	100	125	126
		90 0	50 0	125 0	125 0	125 0	125 0	190	100	250	250	250	250
		75 0	115 0	115 0	115 0	115 0	115 0	65	100	100	100	100	100
		9 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	12 0	12 0	90	100	100	100	120	120
		202 14	330 0	330 0	330 0	355 0	355 0	61	100	100	100	108	108
		25 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50 0	50	100	100	100	100	100
	Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	74	100	123	123	139	139
	General Average	..	..	..	..	..	..	88	100	114	136	140	141

SOURCE.—The statistics for 1908 have been taken from the Prices Enquiry Report, Vol. II, and those for 1913 to 1917 have been obtained from the Chief Officer and Chief Engineer, Karachi Municipality (letter No. 68, dated the 7th January, 1918).

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No. 19—Statistics of House-rents in Madras during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	ANNUAL RENT					INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)						
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
1ST DIVISION.													
1	Ramanuja Cootam Street . . .	72	84	84	84	84	84	86	100	100	100	100	100
2	Ditto	96	120	120	120	120	120	80	100	100	100	100	100
3	Thiruvottiyur High Road . . .	132	300	300	300	300	300	44	100	100	100	100	100
4	Ditto	600	600	600	600	600	600	100	100	100	100	100	100
5	Ditto	120	120	120	120	120	120	100	100	100	100	100	100
6	Ditto	228	228	156	156	156	156	100	100	68	68	68	68
7	Ditto	168	168	168	168	168	168	100	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	87	100	95	95	95	95
2ND DIVISION.													
1	Yami Street	108	108	108	108	108	108	100	100	100	100	100	100
2	Sanjeevi Royan Coil Street . .	96	96	96	96	96	96	100	100	100	100	100	100
3	Gumbelamman Coil Street . . .	330	276	276	120	120	120	120	100	100	43	43	43
4	Gollavar Agraharam Road . . .	120	120	120	120	120	120	100	100	100	100	100	100
5	Perambalu Chetty Street . . .	108	108	108	108	108	240	100	100	100	100	100	222
6	Surianarayana Chetty Street . .	126	126	126	126	126	156	100	100	100	100	100	124
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	103	100	100	90	90	113
3RD DIVISION.													
1	Ghousse Mohideen Petta Road . .	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	100	100	100	100	100	100
2	Kalmantapam Road	120	127½	127½	127½	127½	127½	94	100	100	100	100	100
3	Rama Naik Street	96	108	108	108	108	108	89	100	100	100	100	100
4	Adam Saheb Street	96	96	96	96	96	96	100	100	100	100	100	100
5	Mannarsami Coil Street	108	108	108	108	108	192	100	100	100	100	100	178
6	Ditto	324	360	360	360	360	360	90	100	100	100	100	100
7	West Side Madah Church Road .	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	100	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	96	100	100	100	100	111
4TH DIVISION.													
1	North Beach Road	5,580	6,000	6,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	93	100	100	150	150	150
2	First Ibramji Saib Street . . .	144	144	144	144	144	144	100	100	100	100	100	100
3	Linga Chetty Street	156	156	156	168	168	168	100	100	100	108	108	108
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	98	100	100	119	119	119
5TH DIVISION.													
1	Krishnaswamy Pagoda Street . .	120	120	120	156	156	156	100	100	100	130	130	130
2	Mannady Street	300	300	324	324	324	324	100	100	108	108	108	108
3	Thambu Chetty Street	240	240	300	300	300	300	100	100	125	125	125	125
4	Ditto	312	312	360	360	360	360	100	100	115	115	115	115
5	Coral Merchant Street	336	336	480	480	480	480	100	100	143	143	143	143
6	Ramaswamy Street	300	384	384	384	384	384	78	100	100	100	100	100
7	Armenian Street	2,100	2,700	4,200	3,300	3,300	3,300	78	100	156	122	122	122
8	Popham's Broadway	360	480	720	720	720	720	75	100	150	150	150	150
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	91	100	125	124	124	124
6TH DIVISION.													
1	Popham's Broadway	720	720	1,200	1,140	1,140	1,140	100	100	167	158	158	158
2	Guruvappan Street	720	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	80	100	100	100	100	100
3	Varada Muthiappan Street . . .	660	780	1,260	1,260	1,260	1,260	85	100	162	162	162	162
4	Pedariar Pagoda Street	216	216	240	240	240	240	100	100	111	111	111	111
	<i>Average</i>	86	100	135	133	133	133

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Serial No.	LOCALITY	ANNUAL RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
7TH DIVISION.													
1	Krishappa Naik Agraharam Street.	192	192	216	216	216	216	100	100	112	112	112	112
2	Venkatarama Iyer Street	300	300	324	324	324	420	100	100	108	108	108	140
3	Mint Street	390	390	420	420	420	420	100	100	108	108	108	108
4	Ditto	288	288	336	312	312	312	100	100	117	108	108	108
5	Nattupillayar Coil Street	216	240	240	240	240	240	90	100	100	100	100	100
6	Govindappa Naik Street	264	264	300	300	300	300	100	100	114	114	114	114
7	Ditto	228	228	228	228	228	228	100	100	100	100	100	100
8	Amman Pagoda Street	240	240	360	360	360	360	100	100	150	150	150	150
9	Seven Wells Street	216	228	300	264	264	264	95	100	132	116	116	116
10	Paramanatha Modaly Street	120	120	168	168	168	168	100	100	140	140	140	140
11	Barracks Street	180	180	216	216	216	216	100	100	120	120	120	120
12	St. Xavier Street	180	180	180	180	180	180	100	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	99	100	117	115	115	117
8TH DIVISION.													
1	Mint Street	480	480	732	732	732	732	100	100	152	152	152	152
2	General Muthia Modaly Street.	300	360	360	360	360	360	83	100	100	100	100	100
3	Elephant Gate Street	168	240	240	240	240	240	70	100	100	100	100	100
4	Adiappa Naik Road	420	420	540	540	540	540	100	100	129	129	129	129
5	Perumal Modaly Street	204	204	264	264	264	264	100	100	129	129	129	129
6	Ditto	144	144	240	240	240	240	100	100	167	167	167	167
7	Narayana Modaly Street	240	360	480	456	456	456	87	100	133	127	127	127
8	Ditto	600	600	780	780	780	780	100	100	130	130	130	130
9	Annapillay Street	264	264	300	376	300	336	100	100	114	105	114	127
10	Ditto	360	360	456	456	456	600	100	100	127	127	127	167
11	Thirupalli Street	300	300	348	348	348	348	100	100	116	116	116	116
12	Natu Pillayar Coil Street	180	180	180	204	204	204	100	100	100	113	113	113
13	Govindappa Naik Street	624	564	600	564	564	600	111	100	108	100	100	106
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	95	100	123	123	123	128
9TH DIVISION.													
1	Wall Tax Road	390	354	354	354	354	354	110	100	100	100	100	100
2	Ditto	120	120	240	240	240	240	100	100	200	200	200	200
3	Mint Street	132	132	180	180	180	180	100	100	136	136	136	136
4	Rasappa Chetty Street	396	396	540	480	480	480	100	100	136	121	121	121
5	Ekambaraswarar Agraharam Street.	456	600	1,020	1,020	1,020	1,020	76	100	170	170	170	170
6	Edapalayam Street	84	84	144	144	144	144	100	100	171	171	171	171
7	Lockmudas Street	300	300	540	540	540	540	100	100	180	180	180	180
8	Nineyappa Naik Street	304	300	300	300	300	540	68	100	100	100	100	180
9	Devaraja Mudali Street	444	648	648	648	648	648	69	100	100	100	100	100
10	Iruappa Maistry Street	300	300	300	300	300	300	100	100	100	100	100	100
11	Chinabazar Street	480	480	480	480	480	480	100	100	100	100	100	100
12	Ditto	216	216	216	216	216	216	100	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	94	100	133	131	131	138
10TH DIVISION.													
1	D'Mallows Road	204	204	204	204	204	204	100	100	100	100	100	100
2	Ganta Road	600	600	600	900	900	900	100	100	100	150	150	150
3	Perambur High Road	540	660	660	660	660	660	82	100	100	100	100	160
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	94	100	100	117	117	117
11TH DIVISION.													
1	Thotikalai Komarappa Mudaliar Street.	300	360	444	444	444	444	83	100	123	123	123	123
2	Alathur Subramanya Achary Street.	84	120	144	144	144	144	70	100	120	120	120	120
3	Hunter's Road	780	840	840	900	900	900	93	100	160	107	107	107
4	Avudanam Pappaiyar Road	312	312	312	312	312	312	100	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i>	86	100	111	112	112	112

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		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
12TH DIVISION.													
1	Choolai Bazar Road	240	282	282	282	480	480	85	100	100	100	170	170
2	Purasewnkam High Road	840	960	960	960	960	960	87	100	100	100	100	100
3	Vepery High Road	276	268	268	268	268	268	103	100	100	100	100	100
4	Poonamalli Road	1,800	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	86	100	100	100	100	100
5	Randal's Road	1,020	1,020	1,440	1,440	1,440	1,440	100	100	141	141	141	141
6	Gangadarcswarkoi Street	540	720	720	660	840	840	75	100	100	92	117	117
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	100	107	105	121	121
13TH DIVISION.													
1	Gangu Reddy Road	2,100	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,220	95	100	100	100	100	100
2	Hall's Road	3,600	4,200	4,200	4,200	5,400	5,400	86	100	100	100	129	129
3	Harris Road	720	720	720	720	780	780	100	100	100	100	108	108
4	Narayana Naick Street	72	90	90	90	120	120	80	100	100	100	133	133
5	Pantheon Road	1,620	1,620	1,620	1,620	1,680	1,680	100	100	100	100	104	104
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	92	100	100	100	115	115
14TH DIVISION.													
1	Purasawlkam High Road	780	780	840	840	840	840	100	100	108	108	108	108
2	Poonamalli Road	1,560	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	87	100	100	100	100	100
3	Kilpakam Garden Road	1,560	1,980	1,920	1,920	1,920	1,680	79	100	97	97	97	85
4	McNicholas Road	1,260	1,800	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	70	100	83	83	83	83
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	84	100	97	97	97	94
15TH DIVISION.													
1	College Road	3,120	2,472	3,552	3,600	3,600	4,057	126	100	144	146	146	104
2	Nungampalkam village Road	96	120	120	120	120	120	80	100	100	100	100	100
3	Nungampalkam High Road	2,040	3,240	3,240	3,240	3,240	3,240	81	100	100	100	100	100
4	Mungadu Sami Iyer Street	84	180	180	180	180	180	47	100	100	100	100	100
5	Greens Road	1,800	1,920	1,920	1,920	1,920	2,040	94	100	100	100	100	108
6	Mount Road	2,400	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	80	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	85	100	107	108	108	112
16TH DIVISION.													
1	Sami Naick Street	480	450	450	450	480	480	107	100	100	100	107	107
2	Arunachula Naick Road	144	180	180	300	300	360	80	100	100	167	167	200
3	Wallars Road	180	180	180	360	360	360	100	100	100	200	200	200
4	Mount Road	1,200	1,200	1,200	2,400	2,400	1,800	100	100	100	200	200	150
5	Ditto	6,000	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,600	95	100	100	100	100	105
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	96	100	100	153	155	152
17TH DIVISION.													
1	Bells Road	84	144	144	144	144	144	58	100	100	100	100	100
2	Triplicane High Road	480	720	720	720	720	720	67	100	100	100	100	100
3	Ditto	240	360	360	360	360	360	67	100	100	100	100	100
4	Viraraghava Mudali Street	240	300	300	300	300	300	80	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	68	100	100	100	100	100
18TH DIVISION.													
1	Viraraghava Mudali Street	264	468	468	468	468	564	56	100	100	100	100	121
2	Venkatarama Pillay Street	162	180	180	180	180	216	90	100	100	100	100	120
3	Theradi Street	336	360	360	360	360	420	93	100	100	100	100	117
4	Chellapillayar Koil Street	144	156	156	156	156	216	92	100	100	100	100	138
	<i>Average</i> . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	83	100	100	100	100	124

No. 19—Statistics of House-rents in Madras during the years 1908 and 1913 to 1917—concl'd.

Serial No.	LOCALITY	ANNUAL RENT						INDEX NUMBERS (Pre-war year=100)					
		1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917	1908 (ten years ago)	1913 (pre- war year)	1914	1915	1916	1917
	19TH DIVISION.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
1	Irusappa Gramani Street . . .	108	108	108	108	108	108	100	100	100	100	100	100
2	Peters Road (South) . . .	600	600	600	600	780	780	100	100	100	100	130	130
3	St. George's Cathedral Road . . .	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,520	100	100	100	100	100	105
4	Mount Road . . .	2,100	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	70	100	100	100	100	100
5	Mowbrays Road . . .	1,620	1,800	1,800	1,884	1,884	2,400	90	100	100	105	105	133
6	Luz Church Road . . .	1,680	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,880	2,100	93	100	100	100	104	117
7	St. Thome High Road . . .	2,160	2,160	2,160	2,160	2,160	2,160	100	100	100	100	100	100
	<i>Average</i> . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	93	100	100	101	106	112
	20TH DIVISION.												
1	Nadu Street . . .	98	98	96	96	96	300	100	100	100	100	100	312
2	Brodies Road . . .	282	264	480	480	480	540	99	100	182	182	182	205
3	Kahaleswarer North Pagoda Street. . .	220	240	240	240	240	360	92	100	100	100	100	150
4	Mowbrays Road . . .	900	900	900	900	900	960	100	100	100	100	100	107
5	St. Thome High Road . . .	1,190	1,245	1,245	1,245	1,245	1,245	96	100	100	100	100	100
6	Greenways Road . . .	1,976	1,980	2,160	2,160	2,160	2,160	100	100	109	109	109	109
	<i>Average</i> . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	98	100	115	115	115	164
	<i>General Average</i> . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	92	100	111	113	115	122

SOURCE :—The statistics for 1908 have been taken from the Prices Enquiry Report, Volume II, and those for 1913 to 1917 have been obtained from the President, Corporation of Madras (letter No. 12, dated the 11th January, 1918).

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