

Current Statistics

BANKING RETURNS (Rs. Crores)					TRANSPORT STATISTICS						
	Latest Week Available†	A Week ago	A Month ago	A Year ago	CLASS I RAILWAYS						
					(Daily Averages)						
Reserve Bank					1952						
Notes in circulation	1135.40	1128.76	1150.65	1254.53	<i>Wagons Loaded*</i>		April	March	1951	1950	
Total notes issued	1163.60	1163.75	1181.75	1277.22	Coal and coke†	6,871	6,778	6,815	6,459		
Foreign securities	583.15	583.15	603.15	633.15	Grain and pulses	3,013	2,614	2,702	2,240		
Rupee coin	75.79	75.95	73.95	57.42	Oilseeds	533	380	410	474		
Rupee securities	464.63	464.63	464.63	516.63	Cotton	453	484	434	390		
Deposits					Miscellaneous	21,450	22,275	19,848	19,128		
Central Government	99.29	117.90	96.67	157.53	Total	32,320	32,531	30,209	28,691		
Other Governments	2.35	1.80	7.65	16.11	<i>Tonnage Lifted‡</i>		282,700	286,935	253,333	240,315	
Banks	52.48	53.29	49.38	62.22	<i>Earnings</i>						
Others	63.75	62.15	64.08	70.87	(Rs. lakhs)						
Bills purchased and discounted	1.74	10.28	4.97	2.42	Goods	46.7	42.8	40.8	38.7		
Balances held abroad	98.45	100.17	82.81	192.87	Coaching	34.7	34.2	34.3	30.8		
Loans and Advances to Governments	3.98	1.47	0.80	7.50	Others	1.9	2.8	1.1	1.3		
Other loans and advances	17.66	23.47	30.13	13.32	Total	82.6	80.2	76.2	70.3		
Investments	86.94	73.58	77.28	87.56	Source: <i>Weekly Bulletin of Statistics.</i>						
Scheduled Banks					* All wagons equated to M.G. Wagons (1 Broad gauge = 2 Metre gauge wagons).						
Demand Deposits	588.65	555.72	558.07	596.17	† Excluding traffic loaded for home line consumption.						
Time Deposits	300.63	299.58	295.38	289.65	‡ From 30th June 1951 figures are exclusive of military traffic.						
Total Deposits	889.28	855.30	853.45	885.82	SHIPPING*						
Borrowings from Reserve Bank	14.60	18.83	20.15	14.56	(Figures in brackets denote number of ships)						
of which										Apr. '51	Apr. '50
Against Usance Bills	12.73	16.71	16.38	—	1952					to	to
Cash in India	35.18	32.49	32.59	50.48	<i>Tonnage Entered</i> (000s)	Mar.	Feb.	Mar. '52	Mar. '51		
Balances with Reserve Bank	50.86	49.98	48.30	57.51	Indian	64.3	19.0	579.0	472.4		
Advances	479.36	480.54	491.92	541.51		(49)	(16)	(582)	(546)		
Bills discounted in India	44.31	45.69	47.19	8.91	British	418.5	440.8	4,670.1	4,777.7		
Investments	299.96	299.64	296.23	—		(94)	(94)	(1,032)	(1,102)		
Imperial Bank					Other Foreign	406.0	389.6	4,163.7	3,315.7		
Deposits and other accounts	226.01	228.28	227.88	238.01		(100)	(92)	(997)	(814)		
Investments	86.83	87.05	86.88	81.88	Total	891.3	854.7	9,505.3	8,656.5		
of which						(277)	(264)	(3,648)	(3,434)		
Government and Trustee Securities	71.88	71.90	71.90	66.08	<i>Tonnage Cleared</i> (000s)						
Other authorised Investments	14.92	15.15	14.98	15.80	Indian	79.6	44.8	725.1	646.5		
Loans, Advances, Cash Credits and Overdrafts	117.43	119.71	121.06	129.62		(62)	(31)	(750)	(692)		
Bills Discounted and Purchased	28.10	26.31	29.89	9.18	British	312.2	246.5	3,822.3	4,310.3		
Cash, balances with other banks & money at call	18.00	24.39	20.09	31.70		(67)	(54)	(864)	(1,000)		
					Other foreign	358.1	234.7	2,943.9	2,708.7		
						(94)	(61)	(792)	(701)		
					Total†	765.0	545.8	7,599.1	7,733.1		
						(393)	(351)	(3,631)	(3,148)		
					Source: <i>Department of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics.</i>						
					* Includes repeated voyages of steam and sailing vessels that entered and cleared with cargoes from and to foreign countries.						
					† Includes native craft.						

BOMBAY BULLION (Closing Quotations)

	Week ending		Week's range		Last week	Last year	Pre-war
	10-7-52		High	Low			
Gold Spot (per fine tola)	89	6 0	89	12 0	88 1 0	113 12 0	39 2 0
„ Forward „ „	87	14 0	89	8 0	86 15 0	112 8 0	39 2 0
Silver Spot (per 100 tolas)	186	1 0	188	4 0	185 4 0	194 8 0	80 10 0
„ Forward „ „	186	4 0	188	6 0	185 6 0	194 8 0	80 10 0
Sovereign	62	4 0	62	8 0	62 8 0	77 8 0	24 10 0

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES BY GROUPS AND SUB-GROUPS

(Base : Year ended August 1939=100)

Group and Sub-Group	Week ended 28-6-52	A Week Ago	A Month Ago	A Year Ago	Quarterly Averages 1952				Annual Averages			
					I	IV	III	II	1951	1950	1949	1948
I. Food Articles	359.6	356.2	337.0†	409.5	339.3	403.5	409.8	412.7	409.8	410.4	389.2	374.1
Cereals	447	446	446	480	472	473	485	488	483	471	465	443
Pulses	452	435	427†	494	504	507	498	507	506	499	488	424
Others	230	227	193*	295*	266	287	290	291	290	313	275	268
II. Industrial Raw Materials	437.5	432.3	414.7	675.4	578.3	582	660.7	686.0	608.2	503.0	463.9	430.5
Fibres	448	450	430	735	598	597	629	750	622	476	446	432
Oilseeds	452	434	415	714	625	636	635	724	679	665	593	499
Minerals	471	462	454	414	436	447	449	410	426	350	329	307
Others	287	286	276	569	—	473	507	577	533	389	357	346
III. Semi-Manufactures	337.8	333.7†	321.4†	382.5	371.6	342	376.7	387.2	377.5	340.9	328.1	316.8
Leather	339	341	288	483	406	369	424	514	453	354	312	304
Mineral Oils	221	221†	218	195	204	207	195	195	197	194	186	174
Vegetable Oils	429	409	398	704	624	636	640	723	679	686	611	522
Cotton Yarn	456*	456*	444*	500	497	495	500	498	483	411	430	443
Metals	202	202	194†	191	199	207	201	191	197	177	173	170
Oilcakes	425	422	412	483	484	607	491	498	500	470	403	401
Others	291	262	261	313	322	322	324	338	330	311	258	245
IV. Manufactures	371.7	371.0†	370.9	406.3	394.0	401.4	401.4	410.5	395.5	348.4	343.9	340.6
Textiles	416	415†	415	488	461	476	475	497	468	402	398	404
Metal Products	311	311	311	279	293	295	287	279	285	268	262	238
Others	297	298	298	306	301	303	307	305	300	273	269	264
V. Miscellaneous	623.6	618.4	588.8	724.3	732.7	740	725.1	733.1	729.8	683.1	545.6	504
All Commodities	380.6	377.5†	365.2†	452.1	428.2	435.2	439.9	456.2	439.3	400.7	381.1	367.

* Estimated.

† Revised

LAND-BORNE TRADE OF INDIA

(in Rs thousands)

	1952				April '51 to Mar. '52
	April	March	Feb.	Jan.	
Pakistan:					
Exports	2,59,83	3,46,83	3,71,67	1,99,70	26,26,00
Re-exports	—	—	—	—	15
Imports	1,81,88	5,07,25	6,22,18	4,28,48	1,02,41,68
Balance of trade	+67,95	-1,60,42	-2,50,51	-2,28,78	-76,15,53
Afghanistan:					
Exports	10,44	5,97	15,05	8,84	83,49
Re-exports	—	—	—	—	35
Imports	8,48	14,37	37,48	53,57	3,44,15
Balance of trade	+1,96	-8,40	-22,43	-44,73	-2,60,31
Iran:					
Exports	—	—	—	—	—
Re-exports	—	—	—	—	—
Imports	—	—	—	—	3,45
Balance of trade	—	—	—	—	-3,45
Burma:					
Exports	49	26	59	72	4,28
Re-exports	—	—	—	—	—
Imports	39	14	19	10	1,45
Balance of trade	+10	+12	+40	+62	-2,83

COAL RAISINGS, DESPATCHES AND STOCKS

(Monthly Averages or Calendar Months)

	Raisings	Despatches	Stocks at pitheads
1950	2,666	2,235	2,008
1951	2,859	2,626	2,646
May 1951	2,973	2,331	3,260
June 1951	2,674	2,306	3,315
July 1951	2,530	2,509	2,942
August 1951	2,822	2,675	2,696
September 1951	2,909	2,597	2,597
October 1951	2,794	2,565	2,471
November 1951	2,929	2,493	2,534
December 1951	3,070	2,481	2,646
January 1952	3,185	2,454	2,988
February 1952	3,218	2,452	3,378
March 1952	3,068	2,508	3,382
April 1952	3,185	2,513	—
May 1952	3,147	2,552	—

(Source: Monthly Abstract of Statistics and The Indian Trade Journal.)

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