

CURRENT STATISTICS

BANKING RETURNS

Rs Crores

Reserve Bank	Latest	Week	Month	Year
	Week†	Ago	Ago	Ago
1. Note circulation	1307.13	1305.80	1310.85	1158.31
2. Rupee Coin	107.73	107.63	106.07	102.65
3. Deposits				
a) Central Government's	75.02	76.71	81.74	124.32
b) Banks'	53.74	48.51	52.27	50.96
c) Other Governments'	9.44	10.88	20.05	12.28
d) Others'	15.66	15.74	14.81	36.27
4. Foreign Securities	637.04	637.04	652.04	623.15
5. Balances held abroad	81.94	82.24	64.36	108.87
6. Rupee Securities	543.69	543.65	543.65	421.22
7. Investments	62.02	61.66	61.21	93.93
8. Loans and advances to Governments	3.57	0.85	0.80	1.89
Scheduled Banks				
1. Demand Liabilities (net)	590.79	587.55	583.94	536.56
2. Time Liabilities	410.41	409.78	399.58	347.58
3. Cash on hand	34.37	31.91	34.37	29.95
4. Borrowings from Reserve Bank of which against Usance Bills	8.99	12.04	31.82	5.49
of which against Usance Bills	8.45	11.58	29.05	2.08
5. Advances and Bills discounted of which State Bank's	602.16	558.78	576.08	509.62
of which State Bank's	106.79	107.51	115.86	112.05
6. Investments of which State Bank's	369.91	368.71	358.55	336.12
of which State Bank's	93.38	93.05	88.19	82.80
Cheque Clearance	109.79	114.73	123.72	95.69

†For Reserve Bank and Cheque Clearance week ended 12-8-55. Scheduled Banks week ended 5-8-55.

Bombay Money Rates	12-8-55	5-8-55	15-7-55	13-8-54
Inter-Bank Call Rate	2	1 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 $\frac{5}{8}$
3 months deposits	2 $\frac{5}{8}$	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	3	2 $\frac{5}{8}$
6 months deposits	2 $\frac{3}{8}$	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 $\frac{7}{8}$

Bombay Bullion

In Rupees and Annas

	11-8-55	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Gold (per fine tola)				
Spot	95- 0	95- 0	93- 0	88-13
Forward	†	92- 4	92- 0	89- 1
Silver (per 100 tolas)				
Spot	161- 0	161- 0	160- 8	155- 6
Forward	†	159- 4	159- 2	155-15

† No trading

JUTE STATISTICS

Production ('000 tons)

	June 1955	May 1955	April 1955	July to June '54-55
Hessian	34.2	32.2	33.0	399.2
Sacking	47.9	46.2	49.3	567.5
Others	3.6	3.3	3.4	36.6
TOTAL	85.7	81.7	85.7	1003.3

Total Production in the corresponding months of:

1953-54	74.6	71.3	75.0	865.7
1952-53	72.8	72.5	74.3	891.5

Stocks* ('000 tons)

Hessian	48.6	40.6	39.0	—
Sacking	46.1	53.1	62.9	—
Others	1.4	1.2	1.5	—
TOTAL	96.1	94.9	103.4	—

Stocks at the end of the corresponding months of:

1953-54	86.9	86.5	91.4	—
1952-53	133.8	138.8	137.3	—

Despatches:† ('000 tons)

Hessian	26.9	30.2	28.3	388.2
Sacking	54.6	56.6	45.3	573.6
Rope, twine, etc.	2.5	2.8	2.4	26.6
TOTAL	84.0	89.6	76.0	988.4

Total despatches in the corresponding months of:

1953-54	82.8	76	76	908.7
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Raw Jute Consumption:

(lakh bales of 400 lbs each)

1954-55	4.94	4.72	5.08	57.92
1953-54	4.08	4.10	4.32	50.24
1952-53	4.18	4.15	4.39	51.96

IJMA Mills' purchases

of raw jute (lakh bales)

Pakistani	1.26	0.95	1.0	10.8
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In corresponding periods of:

1953-54	0.9	0.80	1.49	9.35
1952-53	1.77	1.55	0.90	14.19
Indian	3.09	1.79	2.19	44.19

In corresponding periods of:

1953-54	3.23	2.54	2.90	37.87
1952-53	3.08	4.81	4.02	42.50

* Stocks at the end of the month

† Despatches include exports and sales for internal consumption

Source : Monthly Summary of Jute and Gunny Statistics issued by the Indian Jute Mills Association

INDEX NUMBER OF WHOLESALE PRICES

(Base: Year ended August 1939 = 100)

Group and Sub-Group	Week ended 30-7-55	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
I. Food Articles:	313.3	314.8	299.0	357.6
Cereals	364	364	349	401
Pulses	278	273	256	289
Others	246	251	236	307
II. Industrial Raw Materials:	415.7	407.7	398.7	416.3
Fibres	427	412	407	395
Oilseeds	393	397	375	459
Minerals	422	411	422	408
Others	418	418	413	420
III. Semi-Manufactures:	325.7	329.8	329.7	352.8
Leather	316	358	388	373
Mineral Oils	201	201	201	221
Vegetable Oils	390	399	386	442
Cotton Yarn	406	406	407	458
Metals	256	256	255	239
Oilcakes	339	332	321	409
Others	329	329	330	300
IV. Manufactures:	371.8	370.9	369.9	375.1
Textiles	408	407	405	417
Jute	429	419	408	417
Cotton	402	402	402	418
Rayon & Silk	474	474	474	456
Woollen	282	282	282	310
Metal Products	351	351	351	340
Others	286	286	286	286
V. Miscellaneous:	550.9	552.1	568.0	620.3
All Commodities:	357.3	357.2	350.1	380.3

FOREIGN SEA AND AIR-BORNE TRADE OF INDIA

(Rs crores)

Exports*	Imports	Balance of Trade	
1950-51	606.81	581.17	25.64
1951-52	751.56	862.84	-147.28
1952-53	556.78	632.95	-76.17
1953-54	515.39	541.87	-26.48
1954-55	573.40	590.57	-17.17
April	30.43	46.33	15.90
May	38.07	49.53	11.46
June	42.31	43.87	1.56
July	46.21	53.22	6.01
August	44.94	44.27	0.67
September	49.35	46.66	2.69
October	46.75	51.91	5.16
November	65.11	57.76	7.35
December	59.65	46.74	12.91
Jan	54.04	51.03	3.01
Feb	49.85	46.46	3.39
March	46.69	52.79	6.10
April	39.07	49.73	10.66
May	43.93	49.06	5.13
June	46.57	49.33	2.76

* Includes re-exports

† Provisional

WAGON LOADINGS (IN TERMS OF 4-WHEELERS) ON BROAD AND METRE GAUGES— APRIL-MARCH 1954-55

	Broad Gauge			Metre Gauge		
	1954-55	1953-54	% Increase (+) or Decrease (-)	1954-55	1953-54	% Increase (+) or Decrease (-)
Revenue Earning Traffic:						
1. Coal and Coke—						
(a) for public	968,849	880,462	+ 10.0	179,951	150,600	+ 19.5
(b) for non-Government Rlys.	2,925	5,017	- 41.5	318	15	+ 2020.0
2. Grains and pulses	312,828	316,095	- 1.03	259,130	266,810	- 2.88
3. Oilseeds	59,855	48,468	+ 23.5	63,575	56,458	+ 12.6
4. (a) Cotton, raw	35,362	33,864	+ 4.42	26,891	24,062	+ 11.8
(b) Cotton, manufactured	23,995	23,999	—	13,675	13,036	+ 4.9
5. (a) Jute, raw	56,836	54,269	+ 4.73	40,818	43,748	- 6.7
(b) Jute, manufactured	4,653	5,971	- 22.1	3,791	3,665	+ 3.44
6. Sugar	48,421	54,758	- 11.6	60,750	80,599	- 24.6
7. Cement	147,020	131,997	+ 11.4	103,045	79,895	+ 29.0
8. Iron and Steel						
(a) Pig iron	10,850	10,218	+ 6.19	3,406	5,199	- 34.5
(b) Others	129,166	113,312	+ 14.0	22,990	18,101	+ 27.0
9. Tea	13,485	12,318	+ 9.47	19,649	21,995	- 10.7
10. Metallic Ores—						
(a) Manganese ore	56,162	76,277	- 26.4	15,391	22,437	- 31.4
(b) Iron ore	170,744	164,115	+ 4.04	30,904	28,309	+ 9.17
(c) Others	5,156	4,456	+ 15.7	7,096	5,596	+ 26.8
11. Miscellaneous full wagons	1432,752	1332,385	+ 7.53	1153,879	10,82,009	+ 6.64
12. Miscellaneous smalls	410,255	355,071	+ 15.5	361,715	356,998	+ 1.32
Non-Revenue Earning Traffic:						
13. Free hauled coal & other materials—						
(a) Coal for home line	2,38,207	235,580	+ 1.11	181,659	186,100	- 2.39
(b) Coal for other Govt Rlys. and manufacturing units	289,220	289,222	+ 0.07	8,875	12,494	- 29.0
(c) Other stores	151,341	1302,255	+ 14.4	74,570	64,039	+ 16.4
TOTAL	4568,058	4279,909	+ 6.73	2632,078	2522,174	+ 4.36

Source: Railway Board

