A CHECKLIST OF PUBLICATIONS CONCERNING COMMODITIES
IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

This list indicates some useful current sources which publish data on production, prices, trade etc. for various commodities.

Some General Sources

FAO: Yearbooks of Production and Trade; separate volumes; volumes for 1955 give data including 1954.

FAO: The State of Food and Agriculture; appears in August-September each year, discusses current developments.

FAO: Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Economics and Statistics; production, trade and price data; complete list of subjects treated is given in each issue.

UN: Interim Coordinating Committee for International Commodity Arrangements: Review of International Commodity Problems (annual); deals only with commodities for which there are international agreements i.e. wheat, sugar, tin.

UN: Commission on International Commodity Trade: 1955 Survey of Primary Commodity Markets; commodities other than those which are included in the preceding publication.

UN: Commission on International Commodity Trade, Recent Commodity Developments (monthly, mimeographed)

UN: Monthly Bulletin of Statistics; current production and price series for all main foodstuffs, agricultural and forestry products, metals and fuels.

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture: Foreign Crops and Markets (weekly); notes on current developments both in the United States and elsewhere. World statistics on particular commodities frequently included.
Foodstuffs


FAO: *Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Economics and Statistics*

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture: *Foreign Crops and Markets*

Coarse Grains: Do.

Rice: FAO: *Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Economics and Statistics (see above)*

FAO: *In the series: Commodity Reports (mimeographed), Rice No.7, November 1956*

Butter, Cheese, Meat: *Intelligence Bulletin (monthly), Commonwealth Economic Committee, 2 Queen Anne's Gate Buildings, London S.W.1*

FAO: *Monthly Bulletin (see above)*


Coffee: FAO: *Monthly Bulletin (see above)*

ECIA: *Bulletin (twice a year) and Economic Survey of Latin America (annual)*

Conjuntura Económica, International Edition (in English) monthly, published in Rio de Janeiro, Ave. 13 de Maio


Annual Volume, called *Bulletin of Statistics*, by the same body (latest dated June 1955)

Sugar: *Statistical Bulletin (monthly), International Sugar Council, Haymarket House, 28 Haymarket, London S.W.1*

Fruit, Wine: FAO: *Monthly Bulletin (see above)
Agricultural and Forestry Products


Wool: Wool Intelligence (monthly), Commonwealth Economic Committee, 2 Queen Anne's Gate Buildings, London S.W.1

Jute: FAO: Monthly Bulletin (see above)

Tobacco: Tobacco Intelligence (monthly), Commonwealth Economic Committee, 2 Queen Anne’s Gate Buildings, London S.W.1

Fats and Oils: U.S. Dept. of Agriculture: Foreign Crops and Markets

FAO: Monthly Bulletin (see above)

FAO: Commodity Reports: Fats and Oils (No. 6, October 1955)

Vegetable Oils and Oilseeds (1956), Commonwealth Economic Committee, 2 Queen Anne’s Gate Buildings, London S.W.1

FAO: An excellent monograph on fats and oils published for the Commission on International Commodity Trade as Document (E/CN.13/1.34, 12 November 1956. Deals with all main fats and oils traded internationally, i.e. coconut, groundnut, palmoil, linseed, soybean, etc.

Rubber: Rubber Statistical Bulletin (monthly), International Rubber Study Group, Blettenham House, 5-6 Lancaster Place, London W.C.2

Rubber News Sheet (monthly, mimeographed) same author.

Hides and Skins: FAO: Monthly Bulletin (see above)

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture: Foreign Crops and Markets


Minerals and Metals

Iron Ore, Scrap, Steel:  
ECE: Quarterly Bulletin of Steel Statistics for Europe

High Authority of the European Coal and Steel Community: Statistical Bulletin (bi-monthly)

Monthly Statistics: British Iron and Steel Federation, Steel House, Tothill Street, London S.W.1

Copper, Lead, Zinc, Aluminium:

The Metal Bulletin (monthly), Metal Information Bureau Ltd., Birkett House, 27 Albemarle Street, London W.1

CEC: Non-Ferrous Metals Committee, mimeographed reports

Tin:


Fuels

Coal, Coke:

ECE: Quarterly Bulletin of Coal Statistics for Europe

ECE Coal Committee: Monthly Statistical Summary

High Authority of the European Coal and Steel Community: Statistical Bulletin (every two months)

Petroleum:

Petroleum Times (fortnightly), Brettenham House, Lancaster Place, London W.C.2

Petroleum Press Service (monthly), Bishopsgate 91-93, London E.C.2

Manufactures:

The best detailed general source on trade in manufactures (i.e., exported from industrial countries) is the CEC: Foreign Trade Statistical Bulletin, Series IV. This source reports export figures of a large number of SITC sections, divisions and items, by destination and origin, quarterly and annually.
Manufactures (cont.): Trade in manufactures of a large number of non-industrial countries (total exports and imports) is reported in the UN Yearbook of International Trade Statistics.

Similar information can also be found in UN Commodity Trade Statistics, by SITC sections and divisions (not items), quarterly; this source gives all OEEC countries, US, Canada, Japan, and a number of others.