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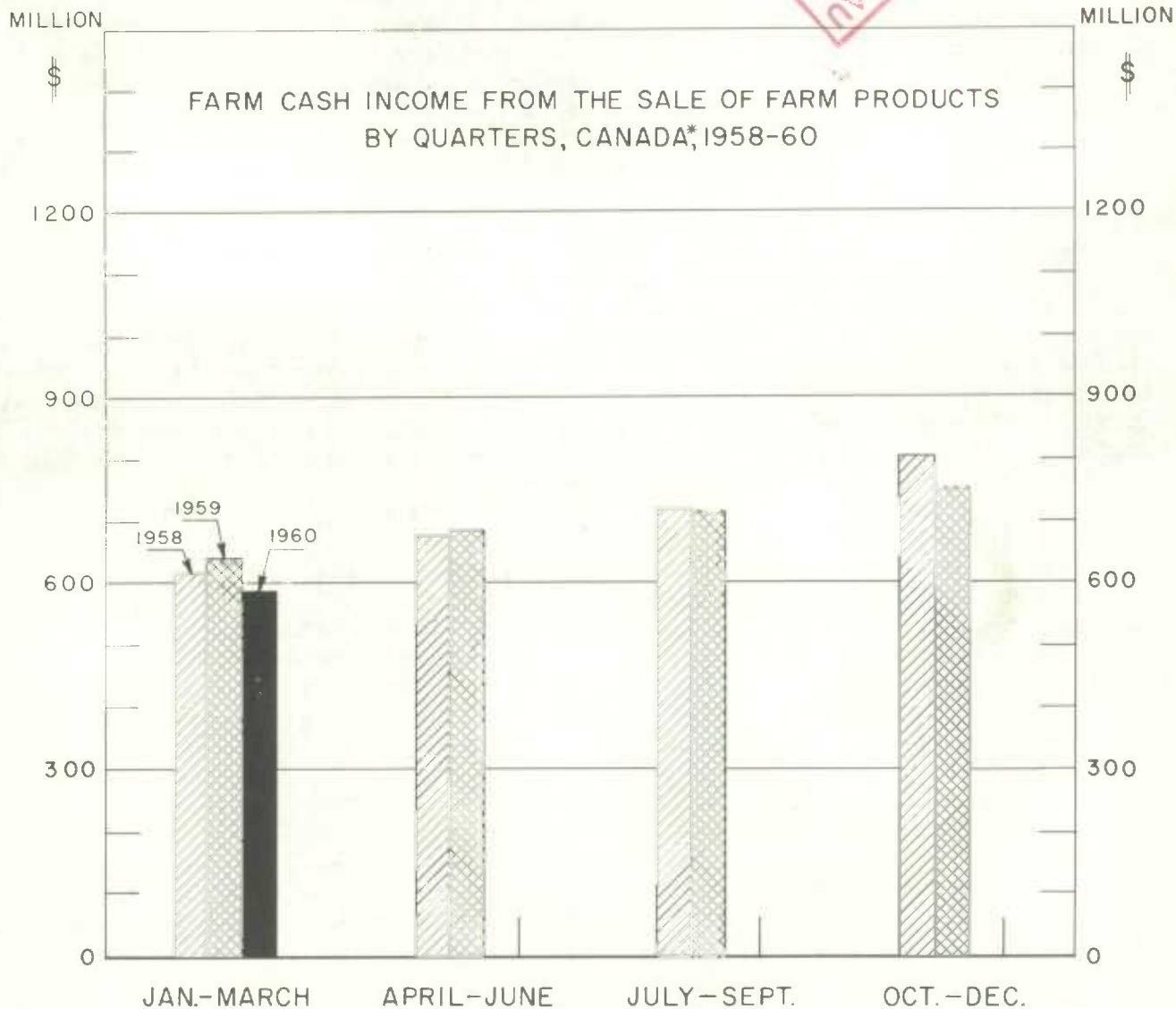
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## FARM CASH INCOME

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CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, JANUARY-MARCH, 1960<sup>1/</sup>

Farm cash income from the sale of farm products and participation payments on previous years' grain crops was estimated at 588.9 million dollars for the first quarter of 1960. This estimate is 50 million less than the record high 1959 first quarter estimate, but was 21 million dollars above the average over the five years, 1955-59. The drop in first quarter 1960 income compared with the like period of 1959 can be attributed to smaller marketings of cereal grains and flaxseed and to smaller marketings and lower market prices for hogs and eggs. On a regional basis, income from the sale of farm products was higher in the Maritime Provinces and down slightly in the two Central Provinces and British Columbia. In the Prairies, where grain marketings were impeded by the movement of damp and tough grain, the decline was more pronounced. The decline in income from farm marketings in the Prairie Provinces was, however, offset in part by supplementary payments of 23.8 million dollars, up 5.7 million from the like period in 1959. The increase in supplementary payments can be attributed to payments of 8.4 million dollars made to farmers under the Federal-Provincial Emergency Unthreshed Grain Assistance Policy effective for the 1959-60 crop year.

Field Crops Receipts from field crops are estimated at 216.4 million dollars, 32 million smaller than the estimate of 248.1 million for the first quarter of 1959. This decline can be attributed largely to smaller marketings of cereal grains and flaxseed in the Prairie Provinces where grain handling facilities were hard pressed to move the damp and tough portion of the 1959-60 crop to the Lakehead for drying. At the time of writing of this report, available information indicates that the movement of damp grain from the Prairie Provinces has been largely completed and second quarter marketings are expected to be sufficient to offset in part the effects of the drop in the first quarter.

Provincial estimates of income from the sale of field crops was smaller in all provinces except the Maritimes and Quebec. In each of these provinces higher potato prices exercised a buoyant effect on income, particularly in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, where income from field crops was approximately twice that of the corresponding period in 1959. The increase in returns from field crops in the province of Quebec was much less pronounced and can be attributed only partially to potatoes; the major portion of the increase can be accounted for by larger marketings and higher prices for tobacco.

Potato marketings throughout the quarter remained close to levels of a year earlier. However, North American stocks of potatoes in storage reached a relatively low per capita level early in the new year. This, coupled with a cut-back in the winter potato acreage and poor growing conditions in the United States sharply reduced supplies of new winter potatoes and resulted in a buoyant potato price situation throughout the quarter.

An early fall frost in the tobacco belt of South Western Ontario caused a substantial reduction in the expected output of Ontario tobacco which, in turn, reduced the total marketings of Canadian tobacco to levels below those from the 1958 crop. The effect of this cut-back was an increase in the national average farm price for tobacco from 45.41 cents for the 1958 crop to 53.7 cents for the 1959 crop. As a result of this price change, income from tobacco in Ontario in the first quarter of

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<sup>1/</sup> Excludes Newfoundland.

the current year, was about the same as a year earlier and, elsewhere, particularly in Quebec, relative increases were substantial.

Livestock and Animal Products Farmers received an estimated 365.7 million dollars from sales of livestock and animal products in the first three months of 1960. This is 18 million dollars less than the estimate for the corresponding period a year earlier and the decline can be attributed, in the main, to lower returns from the sale of hogs, eggs and poultry which more than offset the effects of higher returns from cattle, calves and dairy products. All provincial estimates were lower than those of a year earlier.

Income from cattle and calves is estimated at 134.4 million dollars, 10 million more than in the like period of 1959. Larger marketings accounted for this increase since prices were, on the average, lower. Prices for good slaughter cattle, under pressure of heavier marketings compared with a year earlier, followed a downward trend throughout this quarter. The effects of this movement on the average price for cattle were somewhat tempered by steady prices for feeders and an upswing in prices for cows throughout the quarter. The relatively mild winter and generally excellent grass prospects across the western half of the continent, coupled with relatively favourable cattle prices, resulted in a substantial hold-back of cows and renewed interest in feeder cattle.

Income from the sale of dairy products during the quarter was also higher than in the corresponding quarter of 1959. Returns to producers of dairy products are estimated at 99.7 million dollars, compared with 94.1 million dollars a year earlier. Larger marketings, particularly in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, accounted for the increase.

Smaller returns from the sale of hogs and eggs accounted for most of the drop in farm income from livestock and animal products. In both instances, the decline in cash receipts can be attributed to smaller marketings and lower market prices. Returns from hogs are estimated at 68 million dollars compared with 90 million a year earlier and returns from eggs are estimated at 29 million compared with 38 million dollars.

The estimates contained herein are based on reports of marketings and prices received by farmers for principal farm products and are subject to revision as more complete data become available. They include in the period in which paid, grain participation payments and those Federal and Provincial Government payments which farmers receive as subsidies to prices. Payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act are not included with cash income from the sale of farm products but are included in total cash income in the year in which payments were made, being classified as "Supplementary Payments".

In Table 1 overleaf, is summarized the preliminary estimates of cash income from the sale of farm products, by provinces, for the first quarter of 1959 and 1960, and revised estimates for 1958. Tables 2, 3 and 4 present farm cash income by commodity sources for each province in the three years and include supplementary payments. No information is available for Newfoundland.



TABLE 1. - FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS

JANUARY-MARCH 1958-60<sup>1/</sup>

	1960 (preliminary)	1959 (preliminary)	1958 (revised)
- thousand dollars -			
Prince Edward Island ....	7,355	5,781	7,143
Nova Scotia .....	8,660	9,181	9,296
New Brunswick .....	12,004	8,953	11,656
Quebec .....	75,256	77,931	75,637
Ontario .....	225,791	228,849	216,133
Manitoba .....	40,088	44,848	43,223
Saskatchewan .....	91,118	117,010	113,655
Alberta .....	104,178	120,467	116,277
British Columbia .....	24,411	25,844	25,036
Canada <sup>2/</sup> .....	588,861	638,864	618,056

<sup>1/</sup> Excludes supplementary payments.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes Newfoundland.

TABLE 2. - PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES<sup>1/</sup>, JANUARY TO MARCH, 1960

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Canada
- thousand dollars -										
Wheat .....	-	-	-	-	565	6,768	30,600	22,112	382	60,427
Wheat, C.W.B. payments <sup>2/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	4,730	22,421	9,564	-	36,715
Oats .....	93	13	110	550	1,115	187	299	680	36	3,083
Barley .....	-	-	-	7	142	1,268	2,623	5,187	214	9,441
C.W.B. net cash advance payments <sup>2/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	1,047	1,405	1,237	-	3,689
Rye .....	-	-	-	-	-	56	109	100	-	265
Flaxseed .....	-	-	-	-	-	458	868	2,123	40	3,489
Potatoes .....	3,788	128	5,321	1,820	3,068	140	65	322	622	15,274
Fruits .....	-	134	-	-	1,045	-	-	-	935	2,114
Vegetables <sup>3/</sup> .....	127	163	94	1,067	4,148	125	49	119	1,313	7,205
Tobacco .....	-	-	-	4,722	65,188	-	-	-	11	69,921
Other crops .....	218	135	232	1,836	5,024	604	918	1,768	1,440	12,175
<b>TOTAL CROPS .....</b>	<b>4,226</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>5,757</b>	<b>10,002</b>	<b>80,295</b>	<b>13,289</b>	<b>56,547</b>	<b>40,738</b>	<b>4,993</b>	<b>216,420</b>
Cattle and calves .....	1,065	1,553	1,210	12,354	52,584	10,180	18,182	34,309	2,969	134,406
Hogs .....	816	671	673	13,242	26,942	4,664	5,883	14,549	521	67,961
Sheep and lambs .....	1	29	9	82	262	86	93	842	54	1,458
Dairy products .....	639	2,819	2,290	26,265	39,455	5,485	6,303	7,942	8,509	99,707
Poultry .....	54	663	331	5,171	9,637	1,520	960	1,276	1,874	21,486
Eggs .....	424	1,550	645	4,171	13,221	2,184	1,885	2,417	2,867	29,364
Other livestock and products .....	31	187	42	616	2,408	2,560	1,164	1,975	2,352	11,335
<b>TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS ....</b>	<b>3,030</b>	<b>7,472</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>61,901</b>	<b>144,509</b>	<b>26,679</b>	<b>34,470</b>	<b>63,310</b>	<b>19,146</b>	<b>365,717</b>
Forest and maple products .....	99	615	1,047	3,353	987	120	101	130	272	6,724
<b>CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS ..</b>	<b>7,355</b>	<b>8,660</b>	<b>12,004</b>	<b>75,256</b>	<b>225,791</b>	<b>40,088</b>	<b>91,118</b>	<b>104,178</b>	<b>24,411</b>	<b>588,861</b>
Supplementary payments <sup>4/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	1,935	16,931	4,733	241	23,840
<b>TOTAL CASH INCOME .....</b>	<b>7,355</b>	<b>8,660</b>	<b>12,004</b>	<b>75,256</b>	<b>225,791</b>	<b>42,023</b>	<b>108,049</b>	<b>108,911</b>	<b>24,652</b>	<b>612,701</b>

1/ Excludes Newfoundland. 2/ C.W.B. = Canadian Wheat Board. 3/ Estimates of income from the sale of vegetables in all provinces except Ontario and British Columbia for the years 1957 to 1960 inclusive will not be strictly comparable with earlier years because of a change in methods of estimation. Comparability will be restored as soon as it is possible to rework the earlier estimates on the basis of the new method.

4/ Payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act, Western Grain Producers' Acreage Payment Plan and the Federal-Provincial Emergency Unthreshed Grain Assistance Policy.

TABLE 3. - PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES<sup>1/</sup>, JANUARY TO MARCH, 1959

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Canada
- thousand dollars -										
Wheat .....	-	-	-	-	1,257	10,686	44,939	30,298	346	87,526
Wheat, C.W.B. payments <sup>2/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	2,281	25,353	9,225	-	36,859
Oats .....	87	15	123	538	1,130	997	901	1,032	34	4,857
Barley .....	-	-	-	8	140	2,961	6,369	10,064	227	19,769
C.W.B. net cash advance payments <sup>2/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	- 2,146	- 3,693	- 2,517	-	- 8,356
Rye .....	-	-	-	-	-	83	217	248	-	548
Flaxseed .....	-	-	-	-	-	1,037	3,102	3,015	35	7,189
Potatoes .....	1,735	88	1,928	1,497	2,838	106	50	345	501	9,088
Fruits .....	-	113	-	-	1,181	-	-	-	1,109	2,403
Vegetables <sup>3/</sup> .....	133	141	80	1,076	4,081	97	39	92	1,334	7,073
Tobacco .....	-	-	-	3,255	64,930	-	-	-	8	68,193
Other crops .....	165	148	171	1,879	5,126	954	1,234	1,698	1,568	12,943
<b>TOTAL CROPS .....</b>	<b>2,120</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>2,302</b>	<b>8,253</b>	<b>80,683</b>	<b>17,056</b>	<b>78,511</b>	<b>53,500</b>	<b>5,162</b>	<b>248,092</b>
Cattle and calves .....	1,364	1,597	1,338	12,897	46,003	9,069	17,846	30,684	3,380	124,178
Hogs .....	974	592	708	17,676	32,955	6,013	9,386	21,185	656	90,145
Sheep and lambs .....	1	28	5	93	357	62	79	1,140	47	1,812
Dairy products .....	702	2,881	2,261	23,612	36,757	5,505	6,074	7,520	8,833	94,145
Poultry .....	60	782	374	5,551	10,662	1,782	1,151	1,516	2,293	24,171
Eggs .....	414	1,945	787	5,876	17,478	2,993	2,606	3,048	3,272	38,419
Other livestock and products .....	47	238	135	633	2,970	2,249	1,257	1,745	1,930	11,204
<b>TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS ....</b>	<b>3,562</b>	<b>8,063</b>	<b>5,608</b>	<b>66,338</b>	<b>147,182</b>	<b>27,673</b>	<b>38,399</b>	<b>66,838</b>	<b>20,411</b>	<b>384,074</b>
Forest and maple products .....	99	613	1,043	3,340	984	119	100	129	271	6,698
<b>CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS ..</b>	<b>5,781</b>	<b>9,181</b>	<b>8,953</b>	<b>77,931</b>	<b>228,849</b>	<b>44,848</b>	<b>117,010</b>	<b>120,467</b>	<b>25,844</b>	<b>638,864</b>
Supplementary payments <sup>4/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	966	12,353	4,760	68	18,147
<b>TOTAL CASH INCOME .....</b>	<b>5,781</b>	<b>9,181</b>	<b>8,953</b>	<b>77,931</b>	<b>228,849</b>	<b>45,814</b>	<b>129,363</b>	<b>125,227</b>	<b>25,912</b>	<b>657,011</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Excludes Newfoundland. <sup>2/</sup> C.W.B. = Canadian Wheat Board. <sup>3/</sup> Estimates of income from the sale of vegetables in all provinces except Ontario and British Columbia for the years 1957 to 1960 inclusive will not be strictly comparable with earlier years because of a change in methods of estimation. Comparability will be restored as soon as it is possible to rework the earlier estimates on the basis of the new method.

<sup>4/</sup> Payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act and Western Grain Producers' Acreage Payment Plan.

TABLE 4. - REVISED ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES<sup>1/</sup>, JANUARY TO MARCH, 1958

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Canada
	- thousand dollars -									
Wheat .....	-	-	-	-	896	8,232	42,139	25,604	313	77,184
Wheat, C.W.B. payments <sup>2/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	4,012	24,369	10,783	-	39,164
Oats .....	70	15	126	576	901	869	637	1,249	29	4,472
Barley .....	-	-	-	9	131	1,215	3,228	7,138	159	11,880
C.W.B. net cash advance payments <sup>2/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	682	1,236	1,273	-	3,191
Rye .....	-	-	-	-	-	112	587	277	-	976
Flaxseed .....	-	-	-	-	-	457	1,917	1,786	18	4,178
Potatoes .....	3,306	125	4,299	1,844	2,345	126	50	301	613	13,009
Fruits .....	-	142	-	-	1,237	-	-	-	1,430	2,809
Vegetables <sup>3/</sup> .....	161	35	21	520	4,208	83	32	79	1,338	6,477
Tobacco .....	-	-	-	2,854	59,134	-	-	-	15	62,003
Other crops .....	204	144	269	1,959	8,015	1,322	1,120	1,438	1,522	15,993
<b>TOTAL CROPS .....</b>	<b>3,741</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>4,715</b>	<b>7,762</b>	<b>76,867</b>	<b>15,746</b>	<b>72,843</b>	<b>47,382</b>	<b>5,437</b>	<b>234,954</b>
Cattle and calves .....	1,240	1,766	1,294	11,971	48,717	10,973	21,908	34,637	4,046	136,552
Hogs .....	976	523	832	15,821	26,698	4,332	7,433	18,768	580	75,963
Sheep and lambs .....	2	24	4	121	266	56	59	1,002	40	1,574
Dairy products .....	574	2,635	2,193	24,138	34,079	5,297	5,759	7,261	7,831	89,767
Poultry .....	70	1,204	614	6,453	10,198	1,654	1,503	1,877	1,819	25,392
Eggs .....	406	1,852	787	5,088	16,368	3,119	2,951	3,544	3,284	37,399
Other livestock and products .....	22	134	32	488	1,823	1,911	1,086	1,659	1,691	8,846
<b>TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS ....</b>	<b>3,290</b>	<b>8,138</b>	<b>5,756</b>	<b>64,080</b>	<b>138,149</b>	<b>27,342</b>	<b>40,699</b>	<b>68,748</b>	<b>19,291</b>	<b>375,493</b>
Forest and maple products .....	112	697	1,185	3,795	1,117	135	113	147	308	7,609
<b>CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS ..</b>	<b>7,143</b>	<b>9,296</b>	<b>11,656</b>	<b>75,637</b>	<b>216,133</b>	<b>43,223</b>	<b>113,655</b>	<b>116,277</b>	<b>25,036</b>	<b>618,056</b>
Supplementary payments <sup>4/</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	1,490	9,373	3,639	125	14,627
<b>TOTAL CASH INCOME .....</b>	<b>7,143</b>	<b>9,296</b>	<b>11,656</b>	<b>75,637</b>	<b>216,133</b>	<b>44,713</b>	<b>123,028</b>	<b>119,916</b>	<b>25,161</b>	<b>632,683</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Excludes Newfoundland. <sup>2/</sup> C.W.B. = Canadian Wheat Board. <sup>3/</sup> Estimates of income from the sale of vegetables in all provinces except Ontario and British Columbia for the years 1957 to 1960 inclusive will not be strictly comparable with earlier years because of a change in methods of estimation. Comparability will be restored as soon as it is possible to rework the earlier estimates on the basis of the new method.

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