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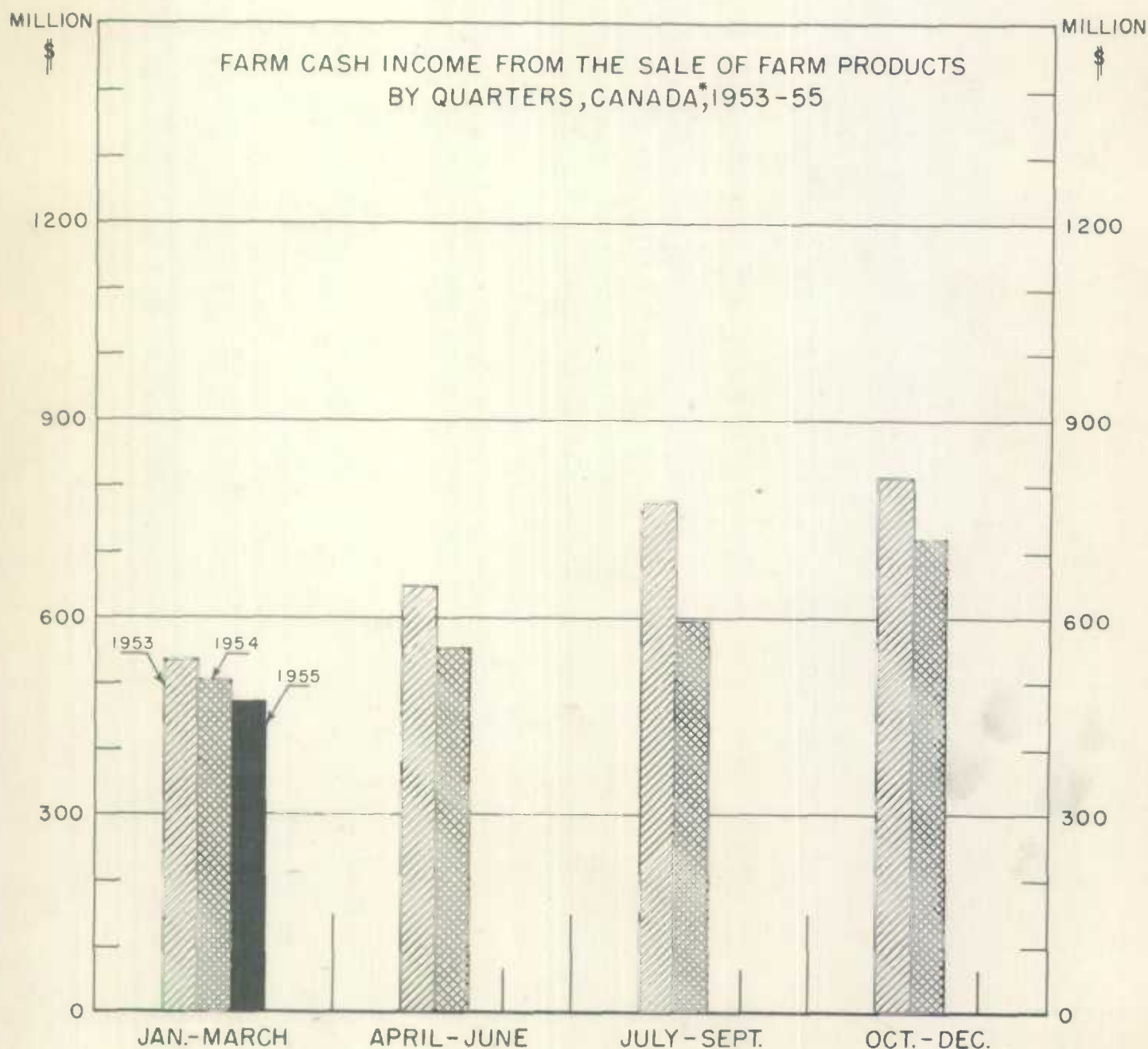
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FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, JANUARY-MARCH 1955 1/

A preliminary estimate indicates that during the first three months of 1955 cash income to Canadian farmers (excluding Newfoundland) from the sale of farm products amounted to 472.0 million dollars. This estimate is nearly 7 per cent below the 506.2 million dollars realized during the corresponding period of 1954 and 15 per cent below the all-time high first-quarter estimate of 555.7 million dollars established in 1952. Declines occurring in cash income in Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia more than offset the gains recorded for the remaining provinces. The declines ranged from less than one per cent in British Columbia to nearly 33 per cent in Saskatchewan. The gains varied from about one and a half per cent in Nova Scotia to approximately 30 per cent in Prince Edward Island. The decline in the cash income estimate for Canada as a whole is attributable in large part to much smaller wheat participation payments and substantially lower returns from the sale of oats and hogs.

Field Crops Farm cash income from wheat at 50 million dollars for the first quarter of 1955 was approximately the same as for the corresponding period a year ago; although deliveries were somewhat higher, they were offset by lower average prices. Wheat participation payments during the first three months of 1955 amounted to only 195 thousand dollars as compared with 27.7 million dollars for the first quarter of 1954. The 1954 first-quarter disbursement represented part of the final payment on the 1952 wheat crop. Final payments on the 1953 wheat crop were not announced until mid-May of this year. It was this item which accounted for much of the decline in cash income in Manitoba and Saskatchewan during the first three months of 1955. Income from the marketings of oats estimated at 3.5 million dollars for the January-March period of 1955 is substantially below that for the same period of 1954. Although prices averaged somewhat higher this year than last, largely as a result of higher prices in eastern Canada, the level of marketings was only about one quarter of the level for the first three months of a year ago.

Income from the sale of potatoes is estimated at 9.2 million dollars as compared with 5.9 for the first quarter of 1954. This substantial gain, largely as a result of higher prices, contributed much to the increased income realized in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. Returns from the sale of tobacco, also well above the 1954 level, contributed largely to the higher income recorded for Ontario; the increased returns were attributable for the most part to a significant increase in the acreage devoted to flue-cured tobacco.

Live Stock Cash income from the sale of live stock during the first three months of 1955 amounted to 167.6 million dollars, 7.5 per cent below the first-quarter estimate of 181.2 million dollars for 1954. A substantial drop in returns from the sale of hogs more than offset increased income from marketings of other live stock. In the case of hogs, prices well below the 1954 level far more than counterbalanced increased marketings. Slightly reduced cattle marketings were more than offset by higher prices.

Live-stock Products Income from dairy products at 79.7 million dollars for the January-March period of 1955 was practically unchanged from that for the corresponding period a year ago. Lower prices for eggs during the first quarter of this year more than offset higher marketings to provide an income from this source slightly below that of a year earlier.

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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 I below is summarized the preliminary estimate of cash income from the sale of farm products, by provinces, for the first quarters of 1954 and 1955, and revised estimates for 1953. 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.

NOTE:- Marketing estimates for some live-stock products for 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 are conditioned by 1951 Census data. Revisions for the intercensal period 1941-51 have not been completed and consequently, income estimates for these commodities since 1951 are not strictly comparable with earlier years.

Table 1. - Farm Cash Income from the Sale of Farm Products,

January-March, 1953-55 1/

- thousand dollars -

	1955 (preliminary)	1954 (preliminary)	1953 (revised)
Prince Edward Island....	6,429	4,948	6,391
Nova Scotia.....	8,565	8,446	8,711
New Brunswick.....	10,431	9,848	10,654
Quebec.....	73,745	78,470	73,264
Ontario.....	190,369	182,576	179,540
Manitoba.....	26,265	34,246	28,920
Saskatchewan.....	56,477	83,926	115,190
Alberta.....	79,221	83,181	91,247
British Columbia.....	20,505	20,582	20,469
CANADA <u>2/</u>	472,007	506,223	534,386

1/ Excludes supplementary payments.

2/ Excludes Newfoundland.

TABLE 2.- PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES, ^{1/} JANUARY TO MARCH, 1955

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	CANADA
- thousand dollars -										
Wheat.....	-	-	-	-	600	2,750	25,303	20,981	354	49,988
Wheat, C.W.B. payments ^{2/}	-	-	-	-	-	10	128	57	-	196
Oats.....	90	18	104	427	838	240	376	804	140	3,537
Barley.....	-	-	-	14	177	3,036	3,812	5,000	159	12,198
Rye.....	-	-	-	-	-	111	629	403	-	1,143
Flax.....	-	-	-	-	11	358	569	357	41	1,336
Corn.....	-	-	-	-	1,905	36	-	-	-	1,941
Hay and clover.....	1	61	89	104	139	45	10	20	66	535
TOTAL GRAINS, SEEDS AND HAY....	91	79	193	545	3,670	6,586	31,327	27,622	760	70,873
Potatoes.....	2,847	123	1,696	1,331	2,451	96	36	133	536	9,249
Vegetables.....	95	33	19	457	2,127	75	29	70	1,164	4,069
Sugar beets.....	-	-	-	406	351	359	-	310	-	1,426
Tobacco.....	-	-	-	3,579	58,233	-	-	-	27	61,839
TOTAL VEG. & OTHER FIELD CROPS.	2,942	156	1,715	5,773	63,162	530	65	513	1,727	76,583
Cattle and calves.....	793	1,268	1,128	9,607	39,150	6,086	10,482	20,777	2,862	92,153
Sheep and lambs.....	3	34	5	114	429	55	59	847	33	1,589
Hogs.....	1,119	549	824	15,678	26,592	4,466	6,261	17,840	510	73,839
Poultry.....	18	331	540	2,037	4,831	688	506	797	2,086	11,834
TOTAL LIVE STOCK AND POULTRY...	1,933	2,182	2,497	27,436	71,002	11,295	17,318	40,261	5,491	179,415
Dairy products.....	602	2,715	2,144	24,401	29,126	3,967	4,616	5,819	6,339	79,729
Fruits.....	-	211	-	-	1,494	-	-	-	1,172	2,877
Eggs.....	551	1,492	1,059	4,046	14,134	2,217	1,825	2,806	2,549	30,679
Honey.....	2	4	4	148	160	64	24	40	36	482
TOTAL OTHER PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS	553	1,496	1,063	4,194	14,294	2,281	1,849	2,846	2,585	31,161
Miscellaneous farm products.....	184	103	152	1,247	3,655	370	828	1,156	1,265	8,960
Forest products.....	77	1,545	2,609	9,819	3,071	145	137	71	361	17,836
Fur farming	47	78	58	330	895	1,091	337	933	805	4,574
CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS...	6,429	8,565	10,431	73,745	190,369	26,265	56,477	79,221	20,505	472,007
Supplementary payments ^{3/}	-	-	-	-	-	1,623	12,473	3,597	66	17,759
TOTAL CASH INCOME.....	6,429	8,565	10,431	73,745	190,369	27,888	68,950	82,818	20,571	489,766

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

^{2/} C.W.B. = Canadian Wheat Board.

^{3/} Payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act.

NOTE:- Marketing estimates for some live-stock products for 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 are conditioned by 1951 Census data. Revisions for the intercensal period 1941-51 have not been completed and consequently, income estimates for these commodities since 1951 are not strictly comparable with earlier years.

TABLE 3.- PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES, ^{1/} JANUARY TO MARCH, 1954

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	CANADA
- thousand dollars -										
Wheat.....	-	-	-	-	653	2,393	24,375	21,480	573	49,474
Wheat, C.W.B. payments ^{2/}	-	-	-	-	-	5,356	22,342	12	-	27,710
Cats.....	83	18	165	488	790	1,893	4,870	4,486	197	12,990
Barley.....	-	-	-	18	247	2,575	3,997	4,554	167	11,558
Oats.....	-	-	-	-	-	112	457	383	-	952
Flax.....	-	-	-	-	-	546	639	541	31	1,757
Corn.....	-	-	-	-	2,062	75	-	-	-	2,137
Hay and clover.....	1	31	34	311	257	15	3	5	64	721
TOTAL GRAINS, SEEDS AND HAY....	84	49	199	817	4,009	12,965	56,683	31,461	1,032	107,299
Potatoes.....	1,214	66	1,047	1,020	1,810	123	44	140	414	5,878
Vegetables.....	95	28	16	393	1,957	64	26	61	1,077	3,717
Sugar beets.....	-	-	-	423	1,066	243	-	169	-	1,901
Tobacco.....	-	-	-	3,261	44,184	-	-	-	21	47,466
TOTAL VEG. & OTHER FIELD CROPS.	1,309	94	1,063	5,097	49,017	430	70	370	1,512	58,962
Cattle and calves.....	681	1,209	1,064	10,056	37,599	6,846	11,559	18,385	2,498	89,897
Sheep and lambs.....	3	32	7	151	513	43	71	612	22	1,454
Hogs.....	1,416	742	1,090	19,342	34,446	4,810	6,728	20,608	631	89,813
Poultry.....	22	361	593	2,250	5,322	800	559	905	2,258	13,070
TOTAL LIVE STOCK AND POULTRY...	2,122	2,344	2,754	31,799	77,880	12,499	18,917	40,510	5,409	194,234
Dairy products.....	634	2,729	2,173	24,597	28,914	4,037	4,640	5,756	6,380	79,880
Fruits.....	-	200	-	-	1,620	-	-	-	1,136	2,956
Eggs.....	507	1,411	941	5,051	14,319	2,386	1,816	2,637	2,684	31,752
Honey.....	3	4	5	108	246	64	44	54	45	573
TOTAL OTHER PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS	510	1,415	946	5,159	14,565	2,450	1,860	2,691	2,729	32,325
Miscellaneous farm products.....	140	103	143	1,349	3,520	486	1,233	1,212	1,274	9,460
Forest products.....	76	1,505	2,641	9,563	2,991	144	137	70	352	17,379
Fur farming.....	73	7	29	89	60	1,235	386	1,111	758	3,748
CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS...	4,948	8,446	9,848	78,470	182,576	34,246	83,926	83,181	20,582	506,223
Supplementary payments ^{3/}	-	-	-	-	-	502	729	860	-	2,091
TOTAL CASH INCOME.....	4,948	8,446	9,848	78,470	182,576	34,748	84,655	84,041	20,582	508,314

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

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TABLE 4.- REVISED ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES, ^{1/} JANUARY TO MARCH, 1953

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	CANADA
- thousand dollars -										
Wheat.....	-	-	-	-	1,908	2,408	74,712	32,528	509	112,065
wheat, C.W.B. payments ^{2/}	-	-	-	-	-	2,850	50	63	-	2,963
Oats.....	97	22	113	492	871	706	4,847	3,269	101	10,518
Barley.....	-	-	-	22	276	1,819	7,570	9,095	171	18,953
Rye.....	-	-	-	-	-	61	1,887	1,027	-	2,975
Flax.....	-	-	-	-	23	315	272	258	12	880
Corn.....	-	-	-	-	2,335	50	-	-	-	2,385
Hay and clover.....	1	26	27	277	209	11	4	10	73	638
TOTAL GRAINS, SEEDS AND HAY.....	98	48	140	791	5,622	8,220	89,342	46,250	866	151,377
Potatoes.....	2,572	155	2,457	1,979	3,480	189	55	206	538	11,631
Vegetables.....	151	25	14	411	2,240	94	37	89	1,192	4,253
Sugar beets.....	-	-	-	525	1,663	249	-	480	-	2,917
Tobacco.....	-	-	-	2,688	42,517	-	-	-	34	45,239
TOTAL VEG. & OTHER FIELD CROPS..	2,723	180	2,471	5,603	49,900	532	92	775	1,764	64,040
Cattle and calves.....	948	1,595	1,166	9,781	37,871	7,694	10,891	17,230	2,384	89,560
Sheep and lambs.....	7	39	3	68	383	30	47	549	76	1,202
Hogs.....	1,100	660	765	13,910	26,672	3,466	5,483	14,949	687	67,692
Poultry.....	26	368	379	2,620	5,437	618	467	785	1,909	12,609
TOTAL LIVE STOCK AND POULTRY...	2,081	2,662	2,313	26,379	70,363	11,808	16,888	33,513	5,056	171,063
Dairy products.....	569	2,617	2,098	23,812	29,085	4,030	4,477	5,429	6,067	78,184
Fruits.....	-	165	-	-	1,153	-	-	-	1,405	2,723
Eggs.....	606	1,305	806	5,136	16,572	2,516	2,150	2,775	2,765	33,630
Honey.....	3	4	7	161	345	44	32	60	28	684
TOTAL OTHER PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS	609	1,309	813	5,296	15,917	2,560	2,182	2,835	2,793	34,314
Miscellaneous farm products.....	182	105	157	1,238	3,441	407	1,695	1,332	1,256	9,813
Forest products.....	77	1,538	2,597	9,775	3,057	142	136	69	360	17,751
Fur farming.....	52	87	65	370	1,002	1,221	378	1,044	902	5,121
CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS...	6,391	8,711	10,654	73,264	179,540	28,920	115,190	91,247	20,469	534,386
Supplementary payments ^{3/}	-	-	-	-	-	167	382	327	14	890
TOTAL CASH INCOME.....	6,391	8,711	10,654	73,264	179,540	29,087	115,572	91,574	20,483	535,276

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

^{2/} C.W.B. = Canadian Wheat Board.

^{3/} Payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act.

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