


Returns to farmers from the sale of farm products, coupled with participation payments from previous years' grain crops, were estimated at a near record high of 2.8 billion dollars for 1958. This estimate exceeded that of 1957 by 8 per cent and was only slightly lower than the 1952 estimate of 2.9 billion dollars, the highest estimate recorded to date. The increase in cash farm income in 1958 compared with a year earlier can be attributed, in the main, to larger returns from the sale of livestock and animal products. Returns from the sale of field crops were virtually the same as in 1957.

Farm cash income in 1958 was higher in each of the nine provinces than a year earlier. In Eastern Canada field crops and livestock and animal products' receipts contributed to the increase, whereas in Western Canada the increase was due to higher returns from sales of livestock and animal products. Total returns from the sale of field crops were lower for each of the three Prairie Provinces and for British Columbia than in 1957. The decline in income from field crops in the West, however, was offset by higher returns in Eastern Canada.

Field Crops - Returns from the sale of wheat were estimated at 427 million dollars for 1958, up almost 50 million from a year earlier. Larger farm marketings, resulting from higher exports, was the principal factor affecting receipts in 1958 compared with the previous year; average farm prices were also higher and can be attributed to quality since the initial payments to wheat growers for specific grades in 1958 were the same as that in 1957. Returns from the sale of barley and rye were also slightly above the 1957 level as a result of larger marketings; farm prices for these two crops were virtually the same during 1957 and 1958.

The effects of the higher returns from wheat, rye and barley were offiet by lower returns from flax, oats and Canadian Wheat Board Participation payments. Reduced farm marketings in 1958 were responsible for the smaller returns from the sale of flax and oats, compared with 1957. Relatively high farm flax marketings in 1957 followed the record 1956-57 flax crop; smaller flax marketings in 1958 followed the smaller 1957-58 flax crop.

In Eastern Canada, higher returns from field crops can be attributed in the main to potatoes, tobacco and sugar beets. Potato growers in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick received about one-fifth more for their potato crops in 1958 than in 1957. In Ontario the higher returns from field crops accrued largely to tobacco and sugar beet growers.

Livestock and Animal Products - Estimated at 1.7 billion dollars for 1958, receipts from the sale of livestock and animal products reached a record high and were 14 per cent higher than for 1957. This estimate was higher in each of the nine provinces included in the national farm accounts and can be attributed in the main to larger returns from sales of cattle and calves.

For the country as a whole, cash farm income derived from the sale of cattle and calves in 1958 was about one-quarter larger than in 1957. This increase can be attributed to the combined effects of higher prices and larger marketings.

Hog growers throughout Canada received more cash from the sale of hogs in 1958 than in 1957; lewger wanketigge effet the effects of lower prices. Fstinatsi

[^0]ac 325 million dollars, the 1958 estimate was about 11 per cent higher than the eatimate of 292 million for 1957 and was only exceeded in 1951 and 1952.

Sales of dairy products brought an estimated 495 million dollars to farmers in Canada in 1958; almost 8 per cent more than the 1957 estimate. The 1958 estimate was a record high and can be attributed to the combined effects of both larger marketings and a slight increase in average farm prices for milk, compared with 1957.

Supplementary Payments - Following the 1957 drought in the Prairie Provinces, payments of about 20 million dollars were made urder the Prairie Farm Assistance Act early in 1958. Supplementary payments to Prairie farmers were augmented in 1958 by about 40 million dollars from the Western Grain Froducers Acreage Payment, P.C. 1958-1442.

## CASH ADVANCES IN FARM INCOME ESTIMATES

Advance payments to western grain growers on farm-stored grain have had to be included in farm cash income estimates in such a way that duplication would be avoided. Statistics available for estimates of income received from the sales of grains in western Canada include total deliveries and total price received regardless of whether or not advance payments have been made on any of it. To add together gross returns from deliveries and gross advance payments would in effect result in cash income estimates which included some grains on which a partial double payment had been made. For example - suppose a farmer delivers a bushel of wheat on which he has received an advance of 50 cents per bushel and at time of delivery is paid $\$ 1.00$ by the country elevator part of which must be used to repay the advance. To include both amounts without adjustment would mean that cash income estimates would be too high by the amount of the advance, or 50 cents. At the same time, however, it is uscessary to include in cash income those advances made on grains which are still on farms

To accomplish this farm cash income estimates should include gross returns from deliveries less repayments to the advance payments fund plus advances on grain still held in storage on farms. In presenting this in the farm cash income publication the entries can be reduced to gross returns from deliveries plus net advance on farm stored grains.

As long as the net advances are positive quantities little confusion is likely to arise. However, the time will come when repayments to the fund during certain accounting periods will exceed advances from the fund with the result net advances will in effect be minus quantities. Conceptually the inclusion of minus entries for net advances is quite correct. For example, during a certain period of time a farmer may receive an advance of 50 cents per bushel on 100 bushels of farm stored wheat and the farm cash income estimates for that period will include an entry of $\$ 50$ under net advance payments. During a following period of time he may deliver the 100 bushels of grain and receive $\$ 1.00$ per bushel or $\$ 100$. Part of this will be used to repay the advances made in the previous period so that his net cash position over the two periods will be $\$ 100$. To reflect this situation the entries in the cash income estimates for the second period of time would be cash income from the sale of wheat $\$ 100$; net advances from advance payments fund - $\$ 50$; net cash returns from what for period $\$ 100-\$ 50=\$ 50$.

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. The estimates include the amounts paid on
account of wheat participation certificates, oats and barley equalization and adjustment 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 below, is summarized the preliminary estimate of cash income from the sale of farm products, by provinces, for the calendar year 1958, and revised estimates for 1956 and 1957. 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, by Provinces, 1956-581/

|  | $\begin{gathered} 1958 \\ \text { (preliminary) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1957 \\ \text { (revised) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1956 \\ \text { (revised) } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - million dollars - |  |  |
| Prince Edward Is land | 27.9 | 24.5 | 26.6 |
| Nova Scotia | 42.3 | 42.0 | 43.5 |
| New Brunswick | 46.1 | 43.9 | 48.4 |
| Quebec | 414.5 | 385.9 | 385.3 |
| Ontario | 863.4 | 789.3 | 780.5 |
| Manitoba | 220.4 | 200.8 | 210.8 |
| Saskatchewan | 571.6 | 537.5 | 597.0 |
| Alberta | 481.5 | 437.9 | 436.7 |
| British Columbia | 119.2 | 113.5 | 113.3 |
| Canada ${ }^{\text {2/ }}$ | 2,786.9 | 2,575.3 | 2,641.9 |

1/ Excludes supplementary payments.
2/ Excludes Newfoundland.
table 2. - PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS bY PROVINCESㄹ/ 1958

|  | Prince <br> Edward <br> Is land | Nova Scotia | New <br> Bruns wick | Quebec | Ontario | Manitoba | Saskatchewan | Alberta | British Columbia | CANADA |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | - thou | sand dolla | - |  |  |  |
| Wheat | - | - | - | - | 11,881 | 48,462 | 271,925 | 93,710 | 1,170 | 427,148 |
| Wheat, C.W.B. payments 2f | - | - | - | - | - | 6,077 | 40,226 | 17,955 | - | 64,258 |
| Oats . | 285 | 55 | 502 | 2,336 | 4,063 | 7,066 | 7,210 | 5,494 | 151 | 27,162 |
| Barley | - | - | - | 36 | 551 | 14,139 | 32,555 | 30,133 | 666 | 78,080 |
| Barley, C.W.B. payments 2/ | - | - | - | - | - | 1,431 | 3,380 | 2,759 | - | 7,570 |
| C.W. B. net cash advance payments $2 /$ | - | - | - | - | - | 789 | - 4,524 | 335 | - | - 3,400 |
| Rye | - | $=$ | - | - | 327 | 742 | 2,585 | 1,666 | - | 5,320 |
| Flaxseed | - | - | - | - | 326 | 8,078 | 17,880 | 9,707 | 102 | 36,093 |
| Corn | - | - | - | - | 22,084 | 91 | - | - | - | 22,175 |
| Clover and grass seed. | 46 | 13 | 44 | 506 | 2,261 | 692 | 878 | 3,912 | 550 | 8,902 |
| Hay and clover | -- | 46 | 177 | 252 | 215 | 72 | 198 | 156 | 51 | 1,167 |
| total grains, seeds and hay . | 331 | 114 | 723 | 3,130 | 41,708 | 87,639 | 372,313 | 165,827 | 2,690 | 674,475 |
| Potatoes | 8,697 | 824 | 9,345 | 7,115 | 10,278 | 703 | 269 | 1,807 | 2,974 | 42,012 |
| Vegetables | 274 | 1,463 | 834 | 14,229 | 40,036 | 2,925 | 1,159 | 2,782 | 7,530 | 71,232 |
| Sugar beets . | - | - | - | 990 | 5,855 | 2,915 | - | 7,605 | - | 17,365 |
| Tobacco. | - | - | - | 2,854 | 82,879 | - | - | - | 21 | 85,754 |
| TOTAL VEG. \% OTHER FIELD CROPS | 8,971 | 2,287 | 10,179 | 25,188 | 139,048 | 6,543 | 1,428 | 12,194 | 10,525 | 216,363 |
| Cattle and calves . | 5,437 | 6,952 | 5,964 | 65,236 | 209,352 | 47,293 | 102,793 | 149,822 | 20,441 | 613,290 |
| Sheep and Lambs | 189 | 439 | 356 | 2,004 | 3,252 | 465 | 936 | 2,697 | 494 | 10,832 |
| B40 | 3,866 | 2,049 | 3,213 | 65,580 | 115,912 | 20,509 | 33,737 | 77,737 | 2,416 | 325,019 |
| (astuy | 822 | 4,084 | 2,592 | 25,988 | 62,750 | 12,749 | 11,251 | 12,478 | 10,421 | 143,135 |
| -ifal livestock and poultry. | 10,314 | 13,524 | 12,125 | 158,808 | 391,266 | 81,016 | 148,717 | 242,734 | 33,772 | 1,092,276 |
| friry products . . . . | 4,911 | 12,202 | 12,013 | 166,702 | 171,199 | 26,636 | 29,183 | 37,071 | 35,038 | 494,955 |
| Fruits . . . . . . . | 265 | 1,695 | 977 | 6,186 | 20,377 | - | - | - | 11,948 | 41,448 |
| Eg9s | 1,603 | 7,949 | 3,016 | 21,314 | 70,516 | 10,512 | 9,366 | 12,001 | 12,683 | 148,960 |
| Wool | 54 | 122 | 109 | 434 | 744 | 99 | 287 | 899 | 144 | 2,892 |
| Honey . . . . | 13 | 35 | 27 | 684 | 1,322 | 826 | 605 | 1,158 | 355 | 5,025 |
| Maple products. | - | 35 | 85 | 4,581 | 1,006 | - | - | ... | - | 5,707 |
| TOTAL OTHER PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS | 1,670 | 8,141 | 3,237 | 27,013 | 73,588 | 11,437 | 10,258 | 14,058 | 13,182 | 162,584 |
| Miscellaneous farm products . | 794 | 569 | 785 | 7,741 | 16,744 | 3,199 | 8,428 | 7,078 | 7,501 | 52,839 |
| Forest products . . . . | 562 | 3,488 | 5,925 | 18,975 | 5,587 | 450 | 375 | 488 | 1,538 | 37,388 |
| Fur farming . . . . . . . | 73 | 268 | 132 | 752 | 3,892 | 3,470 | 843 | 2,085 | 3,044 | 14,559 |
| CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUC'S | 27,891 | 42,288 | 46,096 | 414,495 | 863,409 | 220,390 | 571,545 | 481,535 | 119,238 | 2,786,887 |
| Supplementary payments 3/ . . . | - | - | - | - | - | 8,650 | 31,710 | 19,394 | 374 | 60,128 |
| TOTAL CASH INCOME . . . . . . . . | 27,891 | 42,288 | 46,096 | 414,495 | 863,409 | 229,040 | 603,255 | 500,929 | 119,612 | 2,847,015 |

-- 500 dollars or less.
1/ Excludes Newfoundland.
2) C.W.B. = Canadian wheat Board.

31 Payments made under the provisions of the Prairia Farm Assistance Act


TABLE 3 - REVISED ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCESI/ 195.

|  | Prince <br> Edward <br> Is land | Nova Scotia | New Brunswick | Quebec | Oncario | Manitoba | Saskat chewan | Alberta | British <br> Columbia | CAM, ${ }^{\text {an }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | - thou | sand dolla | ars - |  |  |  |
| Wheat | - | - | - | - | 12,314 | 39,292 | 229,960 | 95,032 | 1,183 | 377,781 |
| Wheat, C.W.B. payments 2/ | - | - | - | - | - | 6,187 | 52,449 | 20,678 | - | 79,314 |
| Oats | 340 | 59 | 579 | 2,312 | 3,089 | 10,347 | 11,921 | 8,986 | 232 | 37,865 |
| Barley . | - | - | - | 40 | 525 | 14,421 | 32,365 | 28,572 | 725 | 76,648 |
| C.W.B. net cash advance payments $\frac{2}{} /$ | - | - | - | - | - | 5,392 | 15,223 | 4,375 | - | 24,990 |
| Rye | - | - | - | - | 279 | 577 | 2,061 | 1,086 | - | 4,003 |
| Flaxseed | - | - | - | - | 326 | 11,203 | 32,489 | 14,113 | 233 | 58,364 |
| Corn | - | - | - | - | 22,254 | 116 | - | - | - | 22,370 |
| Clover and grass seed | 24 | 6 | 22 | 345 | 2,575 | 825 | 678 | 2,977 | 333 | 7,785 |
| Hay and clover | 1 | 98 | 172 | 356 | 279 | 39 | 15 | 31 | 85 | 1,076 |
| Total grains, seeds and liay | 365 | 163 | 773 | 3,053 | 41,641 | 88,399 | 377,161 | 175,850 | 2,791 | 690,196 |
| Potatoes | 7,102 | 908 | 7,869 | 7,154 | 9,799 | 579 | 242 | 1,679 | 2,653 | 37,985 |
| Vegetables . . . . | 252 | 1,204 | 685 | 13,055 | 38,667 | 3,006 | 1,193 | 2,860 | 7,996 | 68,918 |
| Sugar beets | - | - | - | 974 | 3,439 | 3,412 | - | 8,367 | - | 16,192 |
| Tobacca. | - | - | - | 3,018 | 73,736 | - | - | - | 36 | 76,790 |
| TOTAL VEG. \& OTSER FIELD CROPS | 7,354 | 2,112 | 8,554 | 24,201 | 125,641 | 6,99? | 1,435 | 12,906 | 10,685 | 199,885 |
| Cattle and calves . . . . . | 4,083 | 6,534 | 4,847 | 51,816 | 174,979 | 36,852 | 76,156 | 110,704 | 15,736 | 481, 107 |
| Sheep and lambs | 176 | 453 | 327 | 1,974 | 2,989 | 445 | 723 | 2,548 | 476 | 10,1.1 |
| Hogs | 3,745 | 1,999 | 2,564 | 58,918 | 114,664 | 15,792 | 26,692 | 65,442 | 2,326 | 292,103 |
| Poultry . | 964 | 3,219 | 2,577 | 26,766 | 55,650 | 10,914 | 9,730 | 13,268 | 10,428 | 133,516 |
| TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY . | 8,968 | 12,205 | 10,315 | 139,474 | 348,282 | 64,003 | 113,301 | 191,962 | 28,966 | 917,476 |
| Dairy products . . . . | 4,466 | 11,796 | 11,757 | 153,861 | 160,953 | 23,714 | 25,819 | 33,912 | 33,546 | 459,824 |
| Fruits . . . . . . . | 239 | 2,722 | 1,127 | 4,995 | 18,487 | - | - | - | 12,390 | 39,960 |
| Eggs | 1,542 | 7,623 | 2,939 | 22,115 | 64,610 | 9,814 | 9,481 | 12,680 | 12,396 | 143,200 |
| Wool | 51 | 104 | 80 | 349 | 612 | 73 | 210 | 668 | 120 | 2,267 |
| Honey . . . . . . . . . . | 14 | 34 | 28 | 811 | 1,925 | 862 | 602 | 1,025 | 305 | 5,606 |
| Maple products . . . . . | - | 37 | 113 | 5,823 | 1,028 | - | - | - | - | 7,001 |
| TOTAL DTHER PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS | 1,607 | 7,798 | 3,160 | 29,098 | 68,175 | 10,749 | 10,293 | 14,373 | 12,821 | 158,074 |
| Miscellaneous farm products | 690 | 552 | 714 | 7,094 | 15,264 | 2,908 | 7,920 | 6,435 | 7,084 | 48,661 |
| Forest products . . . . . . . | 694 | 4,304 | 7,312 | 23,417 | 6,896 | 555 | 463 | 602 | 1,897 | 46,140 |
| Fur farming . . . . . . . . | 64 | 327 | 185 | 739 | 3,998 | 3,493 | 1,114 | 1,855 | 3,310 | 15,085 |
| CASH INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTS | 24,447 | 41,979 | 43,897 | 385,932 | 789,337 | 200,818 | 537,506 | 437,895 | 113,490 | 2,575,301 |
| Supplementary payments 3/..... | - | - | - | - | - | 501 | 574 | 905 | 7 | 1,987 |
| TOTAL CASH INCOME . . . . . | 24,447 | 41,979 | 43,897 | 385,932 | 789,337 | 201,319 | 538,080 | 438,800 | 113,497 | 2,577,288 |

[^1]2/ C.W. .3. = Canadian Whent poard.


TABIE 4 - REVTSED ESTIMATE OF FARM CASH INCOME PROM THE SALE OF PARM PRODUCTS, BY PROVINCES, $1 / 1956$


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