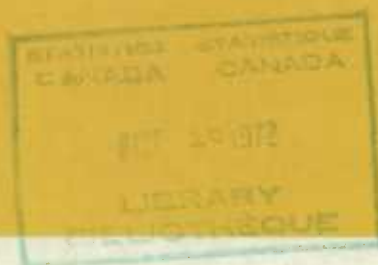




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FARM WAGES IN CANADA(1)

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This publication sets forth the average rates of cash wages paid to male hired help on farms as at August 15, 1972 and, for comparative purposes, the corresponding figures for 1970 and 1971. In all cases, wage rates are shown with and without board provided by the employer. Reports for the annual rates were not sufficient to provide reliable provincial estimates with the result that these rates are being presented only for Eastern and Western Canada. The wage rates presented in this report purport to reflect the average of the wages paid to all male farm help regardless of age and skill. Because the wage rates reported to the Bureau may cover a wide range of skills, types of work and ages of hired workers, it is felt that the chief value of the following data is as an indicator of trends rather than a measure of absolute levels. No attempt has been made to have the wage rates reflect such perquisites as separate housing accommodation, fuel, electricity and certain food supplies which under some conditions of hiring are supplied by employers to their hired farm help.

Average Wages of Male Farm Help per Hour as at August 15, 1970-1972

Province	With board			Without board		
	1972	1971	1970	1972	1971	1970
	dollars					
CANADA	1.56	1.45	1.36	1.82	1.69	1.61
Maritimes (P.E.I., N.S., N.B.)	1.27	1.20	1.12	1.48	1.38	1.33
Quebec	1.27	1.17	1.14	1.60	1.47	1.40
Ontario	1.68	1.58	1.45	1.90	1.77	1.71
Manitoba	1.58	1.45	1.34	1.84	1.70	1.60
Saskatchewan	1.54	1.41	1.31	1.82	1.64	1.57
Alberta	1.63	1.51	1.43	1.90	1.81	1.65
British Columbia	1.75	1.65	1.62	2.04	2.00	1.87

(1) Data for Newfoundland not available.

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Average Wages of Male Farm Help per Day as at August 15, 1970-72

Province	With board			Without board		
	1972	1971	1970	1972	1971	1970
	dollars					
CANADA	11.90	11.10	10.60	14.60	13.60	12.90
Maritimes (P.E.I., N.S., N.B.)	9.90	9.10	8.90	12.10	11.00	10.70
Quebec	10.00	9.30	9.00	13.10	12.20	11.20
Ontario	12.35	11.30	11.20	15.00	13.70	13.50
Manitoba	12.10	11.00	10.50	14.90	13.90	13.00
Saskatchewan	12.30	11.60	10.60	15.00	14.10	13.00
Alberta	12.50	11.90	11.00	15.00	14.50	13.40
British Columbia	12.90	12.20	11.50	15.20	14.50	13.90

Average Wages of Male Farm Help per Month as at August 15, 1970-72

Province	With board			Without board		
	1972	1971	1970	1972	1971	1970
	dollars					
CANADA	278	260	245	335	311	292
Maritimes (P.E.I., N.S., N.B.)	235	230	200	280	270	244
Quebec	205	191	180	260	257	230
Ontario	295	277	267	347	314	309
Manitoba	275	243	238	344	317	294
Saskatchewan	285	270	247	350	312	292
Alberta	290	275	253	355	338	305
British Columbia	334	302	290	377	358	345

Average Wages of Male Farm Help per Year as at August 15, 1970-72

	With board			Without board		
	1972	1971	1970	1972	1971	1970
	dollars					
CANADA	3,055	2,815	2,690	3,780	3,560	3,285
Eastern Canada(1)	3,000	2,770	2,640	3,740	3,500	3,290
Western Canada(2)	3,125	2,870	2,750	3,830	3,640	3,280

(1) Eastern Canada includes P.E.I., N.S., N.B., Quebec & Ontario.

(2) Western Canada includes Man., Sask., Alta., and B.C.