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OTTAWA, June 25, 1948 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues to-day a report containing estimates of farm cash income from the sale of farm products and from supplementary payments for the months of January to March 1946, 1947 and 1948. Those estimates are based on reports of marketings and prices received by farmers for the principal farm products. The estimates are subject to revision as more complete data become available.

CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS

A preliminary estimate indicates that during the first three months of 1948 Canadian farmers realized a cash return from the sale of farm products of approximately \$403,340,000. This amount compares with cash returns from the sale of farm products of \$297,723,000 and \$339,778,000 during the corresponding periods of 1946 and 1947 respectively. With the inclusion of supplementary cash payments (i.e. cash payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act in 1946, 1947 and 1948; the Wheat Acreage Reduction Act in 1946 and 1947 and the Prairie Farm Income Act in 1946) cash receipts during the first quarter of 1948 amounted to \$418,075,000 as against \$349,295,000 for the same period a year ago and \$313,268,000 in 1946.

Compared with a year ago, cash income from the sale of field crops at \$111,817,000 for the period January to March 1948 was down 21.4 per cent. This decrease can be attributed in large part to reduced marketings of wheat and coarse grains in the Prairie Provinces which more than offset increased prices for coarse grains this year as against last. In addition wheat participation payments at slightly more than \$6,000,000 this year were more than \$9,000,000 below total payments for the first three months of 1947. The most important factor in bringing about a higher total cash income in 1948 was the very substantial gain in the receipts from the sale of livestock and livestock products. Estimated receipts from the sale of hogs at \$102,000,000 in 1948 were more than double the cash returns from this source a year ago and constituted the most important single item contributing to the sharp increase in the returns from livestock and livestock products so far this year. Gains in cash receipts were also established for the sale of dairy products, poultry and eggs.

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Gains in the cash income from the sale of farm products this year were evident in all provinces except Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The losses sustained in these provinces were due largely to a substantial reduction in the returns realized from the sale of grains.

Table 1.

CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, JANUARY TO MARCH,  
1946 - 1948 1/

		1946	1947	1948
		(thousand dollars)		
Prince Edward Island	.....	3,697	3,944	5,607
Nova Scotia	.....	5,767	6,183	9,866
New Brunswick	.....	7,838	7,724	11,561
Quebec	.....	43,316	50,863	71,111
Ontario	.....	99,388	124,070	150,864
Manitoba	.....	22,130	24,803	23,695
Saskatchewan	.....	51,133	47,221	41,480
Alberta	.....	51,349	59,403	69,489
British Columbia	.....	13,105	15,567	19,667
CANADA	.....	297,723	339,778	403,340

1/ Excludes supplementary payments.

Table 2.

CASH INCOME BY PROVINCES AND ITEMS, JANUARY TO MARCH, 1946

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
( Thousand Dollars )					
Wheat	-	-	-	-	455
Wheat Participation Certificates	-	-	-	-	-
Oats	30	12	34	222	326
Barley	-	-	-	64	173
Rye	-	-	-	-	-
Flax	-	-	-	-	-
Other Field Crops	1,620	1,359	4,087	11,361	29,028
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	1,650	1,371	4,121	11,647	29,982
Cattle and Calves	219	921	708	5,116	17,725
Sheep and Lambs	1	39	17	107	217
Hogs	652	637	757	9,803	18,598
Dairy Products	326	1,763	1,029	10,732	18,316
Poultry and Eggs	327	739	709	3,768	11,128
Other Livestock Products	427	226	373	1,416	1,521
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	1,952	4,325	3,593	30,942	67,505
Miscellaneous	35	71	124	727	1,901
Cash Income from Farm Products	3,697	5,767	7,838	43,316	99,388
Supplementary Payments	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL CASH INCOME	3,697	5,767	7,838	43,316	99,388
	Manitoba	Sask.	Alta.	B. Col.	CANADA
Wheat	2,861	13,983	9,760	161	27,220
Wheat Participation Certificates	220	943	716	-	1,879
Oats	1,741	9,405	3,259	76	15,105
Barley	1,109	1,347	719	6	3,418
Rye	30	208	144	-	382
Flax	132	330	102	3	567
Other Field Crops	594	310	741	3,462	52,562
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	6,687	26,526	15,441	3,708	101,133
Cattle and Calves	5,398	9,806	13,653	1,125	54,671
Sheep and Lambs	104	134	1,069	17	1,705
Hogs	3,678	6,875	12,894	862	54,756
Dairy Products	2,680	3,283	3,730	3,323	45,182
Poultry and Eggs	2,532	3,132	2,917	2,921	28,173
Other Livestock Products	839	877	1,147	319	7,145
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	15,231	24,107	35,410	8,567	191,632
Miscellaneous	212	500	498	830	4,958
Cash Income from Farm Products	22,130	51,133	51,349	13,105	297,723
Supplementary Payments	24	11,463	4,058	-	15,545
TOTAL CASH INCOME	22,154	62,596	55,407	13,105	313,268



Table 3

## CASH INCOME BY PROVINCES AND ITEMS, JANUARY TO MARCH, 1947

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
( Thousand Dollars )					
Wheat	-	-	-	-	229
Wheat Participation Certificates	-	-	-	-	-
Oats	95	12	46	306	641
Barley	-	-	-	13	228
Rye	-	-	-	-	-
Flax	-	-	-	-	-
Other Field Crops	1,146	1,588	3,803	13,006	45,179
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	1,241	1,600	3,849	13,325	46,277
Cattle and Calves	403	1,282	819	5,426	15,734
Sheep and Lambs	9	39	13	88	236
Hogs	682	161	693	10,885	19,694
Dairy Products	349	1,800	1,069	12,739	21,139
Poultry and Eggs	553	931	716	5,597	16,276
Other Livestock Products	611	296	449	1,962	2,354
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	2,607	4,509	3,759	36,697	75,433
Miscellaneous	96	74	116	841	2,360
Cash Income from Farm Products	3,944	6,183	7,724	50,863	124,070
Supplementary Payments	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL CASH INCOME	3,944	6,183	7,724	50,863	124,070

  

	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.Col.	CANADA
Wheat	4,332	11,848	16,618	341	33,368
Wheat Participation Certificates	2,041	9,350	4,544	-	15,935
Oats	1,201	3,924	4,482	136	10,843
Barley	2,330	1,769	2,371	18	6,729
Rye	82	935	876	-	1,893
Flax	51	33	42	1/	126
Other Field Crops	642	276	1,130	4,770	71,540
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	10,679	28,135	30,063	5,265	140,434
Cattle and Calves	4,360	6,738	10,409	1,632	46,803
Sheep and Lambs	45	91	1,280	12	1,813
Hogs	2,793	4,725	8,603	674	48,910
Dairy Products	3,011	3,509	4,001	3,314	50,931
Poultry and Eggs	2,352	2,433	2,670	3,196	34,724
Other Livestock Products	1,330	1,130	1,804	494	10,430
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	13,891	18,626	28,767	9,322	193,611
Miscellaneous	233	460	573	980	5,733
Cash Income from Farm Products	24,803	47,221	59,403	15,567	339,778
Supplementary Payments	5	8,142	1,370	-	9,517
TOTAL CASH INCOME	24,808	55,363	60,773	15,567	349,295

1/ Less than one thousand dollars.

Table 4

CASH INCOME BY PROVINCES AND ITEMS, JANUARY TO MARCH, 1948

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
( Thousand Dollars )					
Wheat	-	-	-	-	196
Wheat Participation Certificates	-	-	-	-	-
Oats	126	16	142	412	705
Barley	-	-	-	40	284
Rye	-	-	-	-	-
Flax	-	-	-	-	-
Other Field Crops	2,299	1,671	5,569	13,572	40,369
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	2,425	1,687	5,711	14,024	41,554
Cattle and Calves	163	1,025	711	7,799	23,890
Sheep and Lambs	2	43	16	88	310
Hogs	1,515	3,289	2,533	25,576	33,843
Dairy Products	464	2,169	1,524	14,785	25,423
Poultry and Eggs	527	1,349	603	6,249	21,157
Other Livestock Products	360	177	275	1,363	1,794
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	3,031	8,052	5,662	55,860	106,417
Miscellaneous	151	127	188	1,227	2,893
Cash Income from Farm Products	5,607	9,866	11,561	71,111	150,864
Supplementary Payments	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL CASH INCOME	5,607	9,866	11,561	71,111	150,864
	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.Col.	CANADA
Wheat	1,652	6,022	11,970	366	20,206
Wheat Participation Certificates	693	4,049	1,446	-	6,188
Oats	372	1,246	3,735	174	6,928
Barley	1,130	1,161	3,300	25	5,940
Rye	58	582	372	-	1,012
Flax	422	208	608	2	1,240
Other Field Crops	680	350	1,193	4,600	70,303
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	5,007	13,618	22,624	5,167	111,817
Cattle and Calves	5,876	9,835	15,701	1,733	66,733
Sheep and Lambs	36	64	1,223	14	1,706
Hogs	4,834	8,122	18,464	3,905	102,081
Dairy Products	4,056	5,191	5,959	4,261	63,832
Poultry and Eggs	2,649	3,298	3,524	2,975	42,331
Other Livestock Products	1,011	947	1,316	357	7,600
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	18,462	27,457	46,187	13,245	284,333
Miscellaneous	226	405	678	1,255	7,150
Cash Income from Farm Products	23,695	41,480	69,489	19,667	403,340
Supplementary Payments	433	11,515	2,787	-	14,735
TOTAL CASH INCOME	24,128	52,995	72,276	19,667	418,075

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