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

This preliminary estimate of cash income from the sale of farm products and from participation payments on previous years' Prairie grain crops is presented at this time to meet the need for farm cash income statistics as soon as possible after the close of the year. It is estimated that during 1955 this income amounted to 2,323.3 million dollars, 2.3 per cent below the 1954 estimate of 2,377.8 million dollars and 18.5 per cent below the all-time high of 2,849.3 million dollars received in 1952. Supplementary payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act in 1955 amounted to 33.3 million dollars as compared with 1.6 million and 2.4 million dollars for 1953 and 1954 respectively. For supplementary payments, see page 2.

On a commodity basis the more important increases in cash returns were recorded for wheat, flaxseed, corn, potatoes, cattle, dairy products, poultry meat and eggs. The more important reductions occurred in the case of participation payments, oats, barley, rye and hogs.

The regular annual estimates of farm cash income based on more complete data and including details by commodities, will be released in March.

CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, 1/ 1953-55
- thousand dollars -

	1955 <u>preliminary</u>	1954 <u>preliminary</u>	1953 <u>revised</u>
Prince Edward Island	25,734	24,031	22,832
Nova Scotia	45,305	43,017	41,319
New Brunswick	48,341	48,419	46,141
Quebec	414,412	407,947	393,251
Ontario	719,023	704,544	718,862
Manitoba	172,341	186,508	220,038
Saskatchewan	427,129	472,297	742,236
Alberta	362,048	385,694	486,475
British Columbia	108,997	105,377	104,849
CANADA 1/	2,323,330	2,377,834	2,776,003

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

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SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS 1953-55 1/

- thousand dollars -

	<u>1955</u> <u>preliminary</u>	<u>1954</u> <u>preliminary</u>	<u>1953</u> <u>revised</u>
Manitoba	5,342	599	195
Saskatchewan	22,134	797	778
Alberta	5,776	1,031	559
British Columbia	86	-	40
Total	33,338	2,427	1,572

1/ Payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act.