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CASH INCOME FROM THE SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS, 1956 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 for the year 1956 this income amounted to 2,655.9 million dollars, 12.9 per cent above the figure of 2,352.6 million dollars for 1955, and 10.9 per cent above the 2,395.3 million dollars for 1954. The all-time high cash income estimate was established in 1952, when it reached 2,849.3 million dollars. Supplementary payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act in 1956 amounted to 5.0 million dollars as against 2.4 million dollars and 33.3 million dollars for 1954 and 1955 respectively. For supplementary payments, see page 2.

The more important contributions to the gain in farm cash income were increased returns from the sale of grains, cattle, hogs, poultry, eggs and larger participation payments.

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/ 1954-1956

- thousand dollars -

	1956 preliminary	1955 preliminary	1954 <u>revised</u>
Prince Edward Island	27,063	25,489	24,392
Nova Scotia	44,746	45,066	44,296
New Brunswick	51,629	47,324	48,852
Quebec	440,728	424,986	406,960
Ontario	752,983	744,108	714, 379
Manitoba	208,601	170,126	187,906
Saskatchewan	592,728	425,043	472,424
Alberta	430,119	363,081	387,828
British Columbia	107,275	107,340	108,284
CANADA 1/	2,655,872	2,352,563	2,395,321

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS 1954-56 1/

- thousand dollars -

	1956 preliminary	1955 preliminary	1954 revised
Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	2,360 1,179 1,319 146	5, 342 22,134 5,776 86	599 797 1,031
Total	5,004	33, 338	2,427

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