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FARM CASH RECEIPTS, 1969(1)

An advance preliminary estimate indicates that, in 1969, cash receipts received by farmers from farming operations (excluding supplementary payments set forth on page 2) totalled \$4,188.2 million, 3.8 per cent below the revised value of \$4,355.2 million realized in 1968. These estimates include cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops, net cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada, supplementary payments to dairy producers and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No deductions are made for the cost of production of commodities sold. Estimates of expenses involved in farming operations together with total farm income are published annually in the DBS publication "Farm Net Income" (Catalogue No. 21-202 and 21-204).

The decrease in total cash receipts in 1969 is largely a result of lower Canadian Wheat Board participation payments and smaller returns from wheat, cattle and calves. Payments made under the dairy support program were also considerably lower. In contrast, increases in flaxseed and rapeseed marketings resulted in higher receipts from these commodities at time of delivery. Increases were also recorded for hogs, dairy products, poultry and eggs. Partly as a result of the extension of the upper limit for cash advance payments on farm-stored grains net cash advances increased considerably over the 1968 level.

TABLE 1. Farm Cash Receipts from Farming Operations, 1966-69(1)
(Excludes supplementary payments)

	1969	1968	1967	1966
	thousands of dollars			
Prince Edward Island	37,873	34,541	33,830	37,016
Nova Scotia	63,016	54,984	54,182	54,074
New Brunswick	51,768	49,208	48,139	52,626
Quebec	678,575 ✓	636,275	620,120	589,845
Ontario	1,365,065 ✓	1,317,349	1,281,936	1,243,473
Manitoba	352,217	364,667	372,699	376,520
Saskatchewan	715,727	892,819	976,185	948,649
Alberta	723,340	800,981	792,901	762,950
British Columbia	200,649	204,424	196,784	188,026
Canada(1)	4,188,230	4,355,248	4,376,776	4,253,179

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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In addition to the above income, farmers also received supplementary payments amounting to \$9.9 million in 1969 as against \$8.0 million in 1968. These payments set forth in Table 2, include only those made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act(1) and other government assistance to farmers who suffered losses as a result of adverse weather conditions. They also include payments made by the federal government to eligible sugar beet growers following closure of the sugar beet refinery in south-western Ontario. Supplementary payments to dairy producers are included with the estimates contained in Table 1. When added together, farm cash receipts from farming operations and supplementary payments totalled \$4,198.2 million, 3.8 per cent below the estimate of \$4,363.2 million for 1968.

The regular annual estimates of farm cash receipts for 1969, based on more complete data and including details by commodities will be released the latter part of May.

TABLE 2. Supplementary Payments(2), 1966-69(1)

	1969	1968	1967	1966
	thousands of dollars			
Prince Edward Island	—	—	—	150
Nova Scotia	—	—	—	—
New Brunswick	—	—	—	691
Quebec	—	—	2,442	22,782
Ontario	968	—	—	9,640
Manitoba	497	156	233	666
Saskatchewan	5,913	5,453	1,557	1,414
Alberta	2,429	2,151	1,898	5,983
British Columbia	128	208	7	19
Totals	9,935	7,968	6,137	41,345

- (1) Payments to farmers under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act are made from the Prairie Farm Emergency Fund to which farmers help contribute by means of a one per cent levy on grain marketings.
- (2) Includes payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act and other government assistance to farmers who suffered losses as a result of adverse weather conditions. They also include payments made by the federal government to eligible sugar beet growers following closure of the sugar beet refinery in south-western Ontario.