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Ottawa, July 27, 1939, 3 p.m. - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a bulletin giving the estimates of acreages sown to the five principal grain crops in the Prairie Provinces based upon the returns from the annual June survey.

Increased sowings of wheat, rye and flaxseed in the Prairie Provinces, with small decreases in the oats and barley areas, are indicated by the returns from the annual June survey. The 1939 area sown to wheat is estimated at 25,813,000 acres, representing an increase of 867,000 acres over the area sown in 1938. Manitoba's wheat acreage is practically unchanged from a year ago, the increases having occurred in Saskatchewan and Alberta. The 1939 oats area is estimated at 8,227,000 acres, showing a reduction of 291,000 acres from the previous year. Barley sowings of 3,607,000 acres in 1939 show a slight reduction of 80,000 acres from the area sown in 1938. Rye sowings, while reduced slightly in Manitoba, recovered appreciably in Saskatchewan in 1939, while the Alberta area was somewhat higher. The total rye area in the Prairie Provinces is estimated at 1,014,100 acres compared with 655,000 acres last year. Increased sowings of flaxseed occurred in the three provinces, and the 1939 area is placed at 317,500 acres, compared with 212,700 acres in 1938.

Table I. - Areas Sown to Principal Grain Crops in the Prairie Provinces in 1939
with Comparisons for 1938.

Province	Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
		acres	acres	acres	acres	acres
Manitoba	1939	3,201,000	1,377,000	1,344,000	178,200	70,300
	1938	3,184,000	1,462,000	1,355,000	205,000	42,700
Saskatchewan	1939	14,233,000	4,144,000	1,149,000	647,000	187,200
	1938	13,793,000	4,171,000	1,207,000	292,000	139,000
Alberta	1939	8,379,000	2,706,000	1,114,000	188,900	60,000
	1938	7,969,000	2,885,000	1,125,000	158,000	31,000
TOTALS -						
Prairie Provinces.	1939	25,813,000	8,227,000	3,607,000	1,014,100	317,500
	1938	24,946,000	8,518,000	3,687,000	655,000	212,700

Table II. - Areas Sown to Wheat, Oats and Barley by Crop Districts in the
Prairie Provinces, 1939.

Province	Crop Districts	Wheat	Oats	Barley
		acres	acres	acres
<u>Manitoba</u>	1	281,200	81,100	47,700
	2	499,700	157,900	187,300
	3	795,600	268,700	405,200
	4	54,100	18,600	21,900
	5	126,100	74,000	87,500
	6	26,200	41,200	18,900
	7	462,000	191,700	128,800
	8	297,900	132,200	123,500
	9	158,500	92,200	97,100
	10	221,000	125,800	85,200
	11	131,000	77,300	45,800
	12	47,300	44,500	29,700
	13	60,800	40,500	54,100
	14	39,600	31,300	11,300
Manitoba Totals		3,201,000	1,377,000	1,344,000
<u>Saskatchewan</u>	1A	452,600	140,400	42,000
	1B	357,300	208,800	68,400
	2A	385,900	88,600	23,000
	2B	1,259,600	213,000	63,000
	3A.N.	593,400	119,100	38,300
	3A.S.	726,600	152,700	32,000
	3B.N.	983,600	162,900	15,700
	3B.S.	707,300	102,000	17,900
	4A.	187,100	32,200	900
	4B.	971,300	73,600	22,000
	5A.	800,900	384,600	120,900
	5B.	603,600	358,600	173,100
	6A.	1,040,400	292,000	72,000
	6B.	1,193,000	351,000	52,700
	7A.	903,300	108,100	6,100
	7B.	936,200	335,400	34,700
	8A.	209,300	134,000	104,500
	8B.	665,900	264,600	164,400
	9A.	1,003,000	443,500	74,000
	9B.	252,700	178,900	23,400
Saskatchewan Totals		14,233,000	4,144,000	1,149,000
<u>Alberta</u>	1	817,900	30,000	12,700
	2	637,400	70,500	19,700
	3	305,400	30,500	10,600
	4	920,300	84,300	30,500
	5	612,800	93,700	8,600
	6	1,234,100	300,700	115,500
	7	931,700	278,800	27,400
	8	740,100	417,600	224,600
	9	192,800	108,900	103,100
	10	831,900	403,100	114,800
	11	262,800	298,400	212,100
	12	36,100	30,200	10,900
	13	183,700	97,400	55,400
	14	277,600	190,000	141,200
	15	66,600	53,800	12,000
	16	307,900	209,600	14,600
	17	19,900	8,500	300
Alberta Totals		8,379,000	2,706,000	1,114,000

