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Ottawa, July 24, 1942, 3 p.m.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a bulletin giving the estimates of acreages sown to the principal grain crops in the Prairie Provinces based upon the returns from the annual June Survey. Comparative acreages for 1941 are from the preliminary returns of the Census.

The area sown to wheat in the Prairie Provinces in 1942 shows a slight reduction of 2.3 per cent from that of 1941. This year's 20,653,000 acres represents the smallest wheat area sown in the three western provinces since 1925. On the other hand, the acreages of all the coarse grains and of flaxseed show substantial increases over last year's levels, with new high acreages sown to cats and barley. The oat area at 9,666,000 acres is 18.8 per cent above last year's sowings, and the barley area at 6,414,000 acres shows an increase of 35.5 per cent above the 1941 level. Fall rye at 935,000 acres and spring rye at 311,000 acres show high percentage gains of 46.6 and 39.5 per cent respectively over last year's rye areas. Flaxseed at 1,466,000 acres represents an increase of 49.3 per cent over the 1941 flaxseed sowings. The area sown to flaxseed in 1942 is the largest since 1912 and 1913 when it was common to sow this crop on newly-broken land.

Table I. - Areas Sown to Principal Grain Crops in the Prairie Provinces
in 1942 with Comparisons for 1941

Province	Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Fall Rye	Spring Rye	Flax- seed
		acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres
Manitoba	1942	1,930,000 2,442,000	1,480,000	2,021,000	145,000	39,000	227,000
Saskatchewan	1942 1941	12,353,000 12,217,000	4,902,000	2,468,000	650,000 384,000	197,000	1,056,000
Alberta	1942 1941	6,370,000 6,481,000	3,284,000 2,799,000	1,925,000 1,543,000	140,000	75,000 55,000	183,000 131,000
Prairie Provinces.	.1942 1941	20,653,000	9,666,000	6,414,000 4,735,000	935,000	311,000	1,466,000

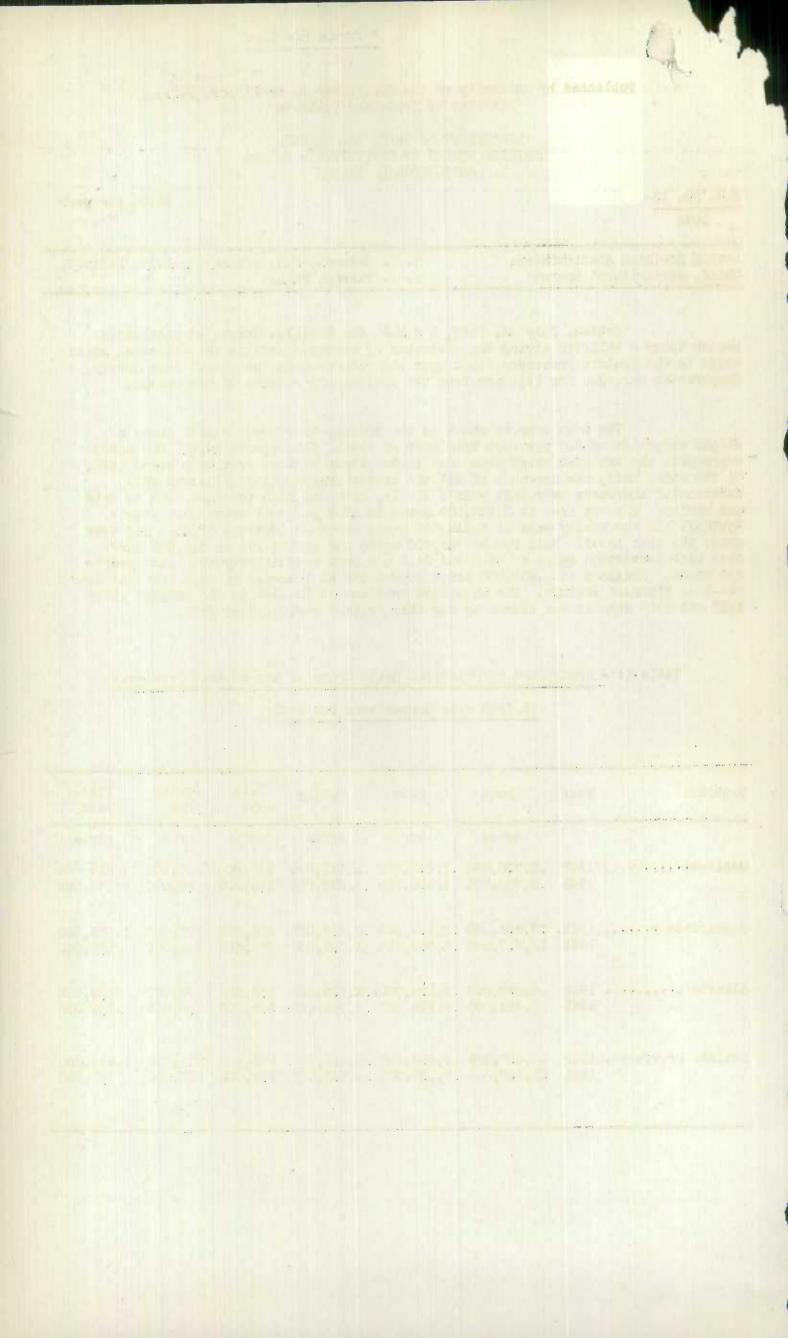


Table II. - Areas Sown to Wheat, Oats and Barley by Crop Districts in the

## Prairie Provinces, 1942

Province	Crop Districts	Wheat	Oats	Barley
		acres	acres	acres
Manitoba	1	198,400	92,600	101,700
	2	365,300	171,600	322,700
	3	405,900	317,000	684,400
		-	13,500	35,200
	4	18,200		123,000
	5	65,100	75,000	
	6	12,500	32,000	22,800
	7	261,000	230,500	181,400
	8	152,800	114,400	133,600
	9	92,300	77,200	94,400
	10	178,500	170,300	129,500
	11	98,800	87,100	83,500
	12	25,000	35,800	41,500
	13	28,900	26,300	47,800
			36,700	19,500
	14	27,300	30, 700	
	Province	1,930,000	1,480,000	2,021,000
Saskatchewan	lA	434,200	190,300	185,300
	1B	311,400	210,500	109,000
			152,900	141,400
	2A	463,300		168,400
	2B	957,900	221,500	
	3AS	892,200	167,500	112,300
	3AN	514,800	101,900	55,200
	3BS	701,100	136,100	25,800
	3BN	935,000	187,400	61,900
	4A	367,900	87,600	21,600
	4B	667,800	57,600	44,200
	5A	601,200	381,300	158,400
		495,900	446,600	274,000
	5B		458,100	161,200
	6A	929,400		
	6B	888,600	309,300	121,900
	7A	841,700	179,900	74,600
	<b>7</b> B	582,500	398,500	79,000
	8A	243,000	223,600	266,800
	8B	529,000	264,900	214,400
	9A	576,000	367,300	135,500
	9B	420,100	359,200	57,100
	Province	12,353,000	4,902,000	2,468,000
Alberta	1	753,200	80,000	52,900
	1		83,100	71,40
	2	470,400		
	3	276,700	63,600	44,60
	4	750,400	109,800	71,30
	5	511,400	138,800	23,80
	6	935,900	315,600	215,40
	7	611,200	303,300	91,30
	8	486,800	447,000	344,10
	9	87,000	140,200	159,90
	10	609,800	510,000	202,10
				255,70
	11	198,800	312,200	
	12	30,300	47,700	27,50
	13	133,500	136,100	78,30
	14	192,100	249,800	202,70
	15	64,700	70,300	28,90
	16	239,800	264,800	51,80
	17	18,000	11,700	3,30
	Province	6,370,000	3,284,000	1,925,00

