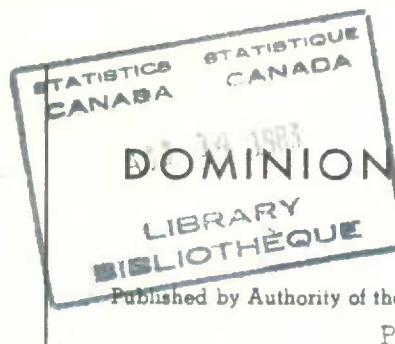


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PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF CROP AND SUMMERFALLOW ACREAGES, CANADA, 1962

The acreage estimates for 1962 are, with some exceptions based on returns from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' annual June survey of seeded acreages and have been made in consultation with the officials responsible for agricultural statistics in each of the provinces. Data on sugar beets have been obtained from the processing companies, and abandonment since seeding has been taken into account. Estimates for some crops grown in relatively small areas have been made with the assistance of provincial and trade officials. As in former years, current estimates are subject to revision in the light of further information received during the season and when marketing and other check data become available after the end of the crop year. With the exception of sugar beets, all 1961 acreages are derived from the 1961 Census of Agriculture.

The preliminary estimates of 1962 crop acreages indicate that Canadian farmers seeded 26.9 million acres to all classes of wheat, an increase of 6 per cent from the 1961 level; 12.0 million acres to oats, an increase of 4 per cent, and 5.3 million acres to barley, a decrease of 4 per cent from 1961. Flax seedings decreased by 32 per cent to 1.4 million acres. Rapeseed at 404,500 acres decreased 43 per cent this year and soybeans at 221,000 acres increased 4 per cent compared with last year's plantings. Rye seedings, at 667,500 acres are up some 19 per cent from those of 1961 and mixed grains at 1.5 million acres decreased 3 per cent from 1961 sowings. Other crops showing increases in area from 1961 levels are: corn for grain, tame hay, fodder corn and sugar beets. The acreage seeded to dry beans was unchanged from that of 1961 while smaller acreages than in 1961 are reported for buckwheat, sunflower seed, field roots, potatoes and summerfallow.

For Canada as a whole the area seeded to the sixteen spring-planted crops covered in this report is estimated at 48.7 million acres compared with 47.8 million acres in 1961. Total acreage in the sixteen spring-planted crops, together with winter wheat, fall rye, tame hay and summerfallow amounted to 89.5 million acres compared with 88.9 million last year.

WHEAT Total wheat acreage in Canada in 1962, estimated at 26.9 million acres, is 6 per cent up from last year's 25.3 million and the fifth largest on record. In the Prairie Provinces where most of Canada's wheat is grown, acreage is estimated at 26.3 million, an increase of 7 per cent over last year's 24.6 million.

Preliminary estimates of durum wheat acreage in the Prairie Provinces, included in the all wheat total, at a record 3.2 million acres indicate a 73 per cent increase in acreage this year compared with 1961.

Note: Excluding Newfoundland for which data are not available.

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In Manitoba, total wheat acreage, including durum, increased 7 per cent from 2.9 million acres to 3.1 million in 1962. In Saskatchewan acreage increased from 16.1 a record 17.4 million, while in Alberta a 3 per cent increase occurred, with the 1962 acreage being placed at 5.8 million compared with last year's 5.6 million. Ontario's winter wheat area at 450,000 acres in 1962 decreased by 20 per cent from the 1961 level of 561,000 acres.

OATS The area seeded to oats in Canada in 1962 is estimated at 12.0 million acres, some 4 per cent larger than that of 1961. In the Prairie Provinces the oats acreage, at 8.6 million acres, is 6 per cent larger than that of 1961, with increases occurring in all three provinces. Acreages in 1962 for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, respectively, are 2.0, 3.3 and 3.3 million acres. It should be noted that these acreages include oats for hay as well as for grain. A survey will be conducted in conjunction with the November yield survey to determine the quantities threshed for grain. Ontario's oats acreage at 1.8 million acres registered a 3 per cent increase while British Columbia's oats acreage at 88,100 is the same as that of last year. Small decreases in oats acreage were registered in the Maritimes and Quebec.

BARLEY Canadian barley acreage for 1962 at 5.3 million acres declined 4 per cent from the 1961 level of 5.5 million with decreases recorded in all provinces but the Maritimes, Ontario and British Columbia. Barley acreage in the Prairies is placed at 5.1 million, down 5 per cent from the 1961 level. In Manitoba the seeded area decreased from 0.7 million in 1961 to 0.6 million in 1962; in Saskatchewan, acreage decreased from 1.8 to 1.6 million; and in Alberta from 2.9 to 2.8 million during the same period. In Ontario, barley acreage increased 3 per cent.

RYE Rye acreage at 667,500 is 19 per cent above the 1961 level. Fall seedings of rye were up 21 per cent, while spring rye increased by 9 per cent. The greater part of Canada's rye is grown in the Prairie Provinces where the 1962 acreage is estimated at 599,300 acres as against 492,700 acres in 1961.

OILSEEDS Flaxseed plantings declined sharply in 1962. This year 1.4 million acres were sown to flax in Canada, a decrease of 32 per cent from the 1961 level of 2.1 million acres. In Saskatchewan, where the largest area is sown, the acreage declined 59 per cent in 1962. In Manitoba, flax acreage in 1962 registered a decrease of 6 per cent and in Alberta a decrease of 17 per cent is indicated. Flax sowings in Ontario were unchanged from last season while British Columbia's acreage declined by 30 per cent.

Soybean seedings at 221,000 acres in 1962 increased 4 per cent from last year's level of 212,000 acres. Commercial rapeseed production is carried on only in the Prairie Provinces where in 1962 an estimated 404,500 acres were seeded to this crop. An acreage of this size represents a decrease of 43 per cent from last year's seedings of 710,300 acres. The acreage seeded to sunflowers at 16,500 acres declined 51 per cent from the 1961 level of 33,900 acres. Mustard seed acreage for 1962 could not be included in this release as some reports have not yet been received.

POTATOES The area seeded to potatoes is estimated at 284,100 acres down 6 per cent from last season's 303,700 acres. All provinces except the Prairies registered decreases in acreage. In New Brunswick, the estimated decrease is 8 per cent, while in Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia the decreases amount to 16 per cent. In Quebec the decrease is 11 per cent, in Ontario the decrease is 3 per cent and in British Columbia the decrease is 12 per cent. The increase in seeded acreage in 1962 over 1961 in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, respectively, is 15, 9 and 5 per cent.

TAME HAY The area of tame hay in 1962, at a record 12.4 million acres, is one per cent above the level of 12.2 million acres in 1961.

OTHER CROPS The acreage of sugar beets remaining for harvest on or about July 15, 1962 amounted to 85,779 acres, about one per cent above last year's harvested area of 84,949 acres. Acreage increases of 33, 4 and 3 per cent, respectively, were registered in Quebec, Manitoba and Alberta but these were partially offset by a decrease of 22 per cent in Ontario. Ontario's 1962 acreage of corn for grain is placed at 418,000 acres, up 6 per cent from 1961, while Manitoba's seedings of 3,300 acres are down 20 per cent from the 1961 level. The all Canada fodder corn acreage in 1962 is 367,200 as compared with 360,100 acres in 1961. Crops showing a decrease in area this year, with 1961 figures in brackets, are as follows: mixed grains, 1.5 million (1.6 million); buckwheat, 45,300 (57,500); beans, 65,400 (65,700); and field roots, 26,400 (26,700).

Summerfallow acreage in the Prairie Provinces in 1962 is estimated at 27.4 million acres, a decrease of 2 per cent from last year's 27.9 million acres.

Note

Acreages of those crops for which 1962 estimates are currently available (except for sunflower seed and durum wheat which are to be found in Table 2) are shown in Table 1 for Canada as a whole and by provinces, together with the figures for 1961.

Table 3 summarizes acreages in the major field crops and summerfallow for the Prairie Provinces as a whole. Table 4 sets out, by crop districts for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, respectively, estimates of the 1962 area seeded to all wheat, oats and barley and the area in summerfallow, with comparable data for 1961.

Table 1: Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada, 1962 Compared with 1961

Province and Crop	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961
	- acres -		%
<u>CANADA 1/</u>			
Winter wheat	561,000	450,000	80
Spring wheat 2/	24,755,000	26,442,900	107
All wheat	25,316,000	26,892,900	106
Oats for grain 3/	11,529,700	11,998,100	104
Barley	5,529,000	5,287,100	96
Fall rye 4/	471,600	570,200	121
Spring rye	89,200	97,300	109
All rye	560,800	667,500	119
Flaxseed	2,075,400	1,414,600	68
Mixed grains	1,565,700	1,521,600	97
Corn for grain	400,100	421,300	105
Buckwheat	57,500	45,300	79
Peas, dry	66,300	Not Available	
Beans, dry	65,700	65,400	100
Soybeans	212,000	221,000	104
Potatoes	303,700	284,100	94
Rapeseed	710,300	404,500	57
Tame hay	12,229,000	12,370,000	101
Fodder corn	360,100	367,200	102
Field roots 5/	26,700	26,400	99
Sugar beets 6/	84,949	85,779	101
Summerfallow 7/	27,860,000	27,398,000	98
<u>PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND</u>			
Spring wheat	4,100	4,600	112
Oats for grain	97,700	97,000	99
Barley	1,200	6,000	500
Mixed grains	52,100	51,000	98
Potatoes	46,200	39,000	84
Tame hay	179,000	180,000	101
Field roots	3,500	3,100	89
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>			
Spring wheat	1,400	1,200	86
Oats for grain	37,500	37,000	99
Barley	1,100	1,400	127
Mixed grains	8,500	8,000	94
Potatoes	8,100	6,800	84
Tame hay	234,000	228,000	97
Field roots	2,300	2,300	100

1/ In some provinces the area seeded to certain crops is too small to permit reliable annual estimates. Acreages in such crops have not been included in the totals for Canada.

2/ Includes relatively small acreages of winter wheat in all provinces other than Ontario.

3/ Includes oats for grain and for hay in the Prairie Provinces.

4/ Includes small acreages of spring rye in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia.

5/ Excludes Prairie Provinces and British Columbia for which current estimates are not available.

6/ Harvested area for 1961. The estimates for 1962 represent the area currently remaining for harvest.

Table 1: Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada,
1962 Compared with 1961 (continued)

Province and Crop	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961
- acres -			
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>			
Spring wheat	2,500	2,600	106
Oats for grain	104,000	102,000	98
Barley	3,200	3,300	104
Mixed grains	6,600	6,700	101
Buckwheat	3,200	3,600	111
Potatoes	54,200	50,000	92
Tame hay	287,000	282,000	98
Field roots	1,800	1,900	103
<u>QUEBEC</u>			
Spring wheat	10,600	10,000	94
Oats for grain	1,299,000	1,267,000	98
Barley	21,200	19,000	90
Fall rye	4,000	3,600	90
Mixed grains	109,000	96,000	88
Buckwheat	17,500	14,200	81
Peas, dry	1,900	1,700	92
Beans, dry	800	900	110
Potatoes	80,300	71,600	89
Tame hay	3,312,000	3,344,000	101
Fodder corn	54,600	51,400	94
Field roots	7,000	7,100	101
Sugar beets	7,895	10,500	133
<u>ONTARIO</u>			
Winter wheat	561,000	450,000	80
Spring wheat	20,100	18,000	90
All wheat	581,100	468,000	81
Oats for grain	1,794,000	1,848,000	103
Barley	77,900	80,500	103
Fall rye	62,100	63,000	101
Flaxseed	21,300	21,400	100
Mixed grains	718,000	740,000	103
Corn for grain	396,000	418,000	106
Buckwheat	23,600	17,500	74
Peas, dry	2,800	2,500	89
Beans, dry	64,900	64,500	99
Soybeans	212,000	221,000	104
Potatoes	51,500	49,900	97
Tame hay	3,281,000	3,249,000	99
Fodder corn	269,000	272,000	101
Field roots	12,100	12,000	99
Sugar beets	16,353	12,679	78

Table 1: Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada,
1962 Compared with 1961 (continued)

Province and Crop	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961
	- acres -		%
<u>MANITOBA</u>			
Spring wheat	2,914,000	3,118,000	107
Oats 8/	1,850,000	1,974,000	107
Barley	655,000	629,000	96
Fall rye	77,500	108,000	140
Spring rye	2,000	3,000	148
All rye	79,500	111,000	140
Flaxseed	748,000	703,000	94
Mixed grains	157,000	124,000	79
Corn for grain	4,100	5,300	80
Buckwheat	13,200	10,000	76
Peas, dry	46,700	31,800	68
Potatoes	18,300	21,000	115
Rapeseed	29,300	25,500	87
Tame hay	1,004,000	1,045,000	104
Fodder corn	31,300	38,500	123
Sugar beets	21,163	22,000	104
Summerfallow	3,230,000	3,068,000	95
<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>			
Spring wheat	16,082,000	17,388,000	108
Oats 8/	3,109,000	3,277,000	105
Barley	1,839,000	1,629,000	89
Fall rye	177,000	215,000	121
Spring rye	61,900	64,100	104
All rye	238,900	279,100	117
Flaxseed	941,000	389,000	41
Mixed grains	136,000	125,000	92
Peas, dry	2,200	3,000	136
Potatoes	11,900	13,000	109
Rapeseed	374,000	167,000	45
Tame hay	1,052,000	1,020,000	97
Fodder corn	1,800	1,800	100
Summerfallow	17,180,000	17,081,000	99
<u>ALBERTA</u>			
Spring wheat	5,633,000	5,807,000	103
Oats 8/	3,150,000	3,308,000	105
Barley	2,867,000	2,839,000	99
Fall rye	149,000	179,000	120
Spring rye	25,300	30,200	119
All rye	174,300	209,200	120
Flaxseed	362,000	299,000	83
Mixed grains	374,000	367,000	98
Peas, dry	8,800	Not Available	
Potatoes	20,900	22,000	105
Rapeseed	307,000	212,000	69
Tame hay	2,477,000	2,626,000	106
Sugar beets	39,538	40,600	103
Summerfallow	7,450,000	7,249,000	97

8/ Includes oats for grain and for hay.

Table 1: Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada,
1962 Compared with 1961 (concluded)

Province and Crop	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961
	- acres -		%
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>			
Spring wheat	87,300	93,500	107
Oats for grain	88,500	88,100	100
Barley	63,400	79,900	126
Fall rye	2,000	1,600	82
Flaxseed	3,100	2,200	70
Mixed grains	4,500	3,900	86
Peas, dry	3,900	Not Available	
Potatoes	12,300	10,800	88
Tame hay	403,000	396,000	98
Fodder corn	5,400	3,500	102

Table 2: Preliminary Estimates of Specified Crop Acreages
1962 Compared with 1961

Crop	1961 Area	Per Cent. of 1961	1962 Area
	- acres -	%	- acres -
<u>MUSTARD SEED</u>			
Manitoba	10,800	Not Available	
Saskatchewan	40,800	"	"
Alberta	69,200	"	"
Total	120,800	"	"
<u>SUNFLOWER SEED</u>			
Manitoba	30,500	46	11,000
Alberta	3,400	74	2,500
Total	33,900	49	16,500
<u>DURUM WHEAT</u>			
Manitoba	85,000	185	161,000
Saskatchewan	1,578,000	160	2,613,000
Alberta	189,000	225	425,000
Total	1,852,000	173	3,199,000

Table 3: Preliminary Estimates of Acreages in Principal Crops and Summerfallow,
Prairie Provinces, 1962 Compared with 1961

Crops	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961
	- acres -		%
Wheat	24,629,000	26,313,000	107
Oats	8,109,000	8,559,000	106
Barley	5,361,000	5,097,000	95
Rye	492,700	599,300	122
Flaxseed	2,051,000	1,391,000	68
Tame hay	4,533,000	4,691,000	103
Summerfallow	27,860,000	27,398,000	98

Table A Estimated Seeded Acreages of Principal Grain Crops and Summerfallow, Prairie Provinces, by Crop Districts, 1961 and 1962

Crop District	Wheat		Oats		Barley		Summerfallow	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
- thousand acres -								
<u>MANITOBA</u>								
1	315	346	98	124	35	37	344	312
2	352	394	160	187	33	26	318	288
3	516	552	308	333	94	85	423	375
4	61	66	88	92	39	35	90	88
5	279	223	270	259	57	65	236	279
6	25	22	37	32	6	6	28	38
7	225	238	118	125	32	35	283	277
8	222	244	152	166	22	16	237	219
9	195	205	127	141	28	27	226	218
10	282	338	127	144	132	113	442	420
11	217	260	145	136	62	63	281	264
12	62	53	82	82	29	35	80	80
13	81	90	60	71	69	69	132	111
14	82	87	78	82	17	17	110	99
Total	2,914	3,118	1,850	1,974	655	629	3,230	3,068
<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>								
1A	709	736	165	172	47	49	797	748
1B	464	519	205	218	23	26	585	538
2A	725	773	91	110	28	18	713	677
2B	1,020	1,127	126	139	58	36	1,025	1,038
3AS	1,088	1,111	110	134	48	39	1,019	1,011
3AN	592	620	62	71	46	29	615	636
3BS	788	803	59	66	51	53	811	805
3BN	1,057	1,153	102	85	71	55	1,067	1,102
4A	363	369	54	48	60	80	436	438
4B	629	654	37	41	23	18	626	634
5A	914	1,018	275	267	85	68	1,060	1,032
5B	905	1,037	289	296	239	206	1,087	1,057
6A	1,392	1,519	193	181	92	80	1,461	1,497
6B	1,103	1,187	216	212	92	74	1,084	1,126
7A	1,004	1,181	79	68	116	63	1,114	1,143
7B	820	831	198	214	83	71	817	812
8A	442	530	140	138	180	147	596	612
8B	734	815	161	160	151	141	718	723
9A	816	873	298	374	222	250	921	867
9B	517	532	249	283	124	126	628	585
Total	16,082	17,388	3,109	3,277	1,839	1,629	17,180	17,081
<u>ALBERTA</u>								
1	992	985	195	198	88	96	1,126	1,119
2	1,531	1,620	295	293	369	394	2,032	1,926
3	505	524	396	430	389	399	913	867
4A	782	766	321	362	91	89	791	759
4B	841	837	620	669	266	253	873	864
5	236	238	606	649	802	793	572	540
6	358	383	416	415	415	375	588	608
7	388	454	301	292	447	440	555	566
Total	5,633	5,807	3,150	3,308	2,867	2,899	7,450	7,249