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PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF CROP AND SUMMERFALLOW ACREAGES, CANADA, 1967

The acreage estimates for 1967 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. 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.

The preliminary estimates of 1967 crop acreages indicate that Canadian farmers seeded a record 30.1 million acres to all classes of wheat, an increase of one per cent from the 1966 level; 8.4 million acres to oats, a decrease of 5 per cent, and 8.1 million acres to barley, an increase of 9 per cent from 1966. Flax seedings decreased by 42 per cent to 1.1 million acres. Rapeseed at 1,726,000 acres increased 13 per cent this year and soybeans at a record 290,000 acres increased 4 per cent compared with last year's plantings. Rye seedings, at 758,300 acres are up 4 per cent while mixed grains at 1.7 million acres decreased 6 per cent from 1966 sowings. Corn for grain acreage at a record 875,500 increased 9 per cent. Other crops showing increases in area from 1966 levels are: buckwheat (up 38 per cent); fodder corn (up 3 per cent) and sugar beets up 5 per cent). Smaller acreages than in 1966 are reported for peas, dry (down 23 per cent); beans,dry (down 10 per cent); potatoes (down 5 per cent) and field roots (down 9 per cent). The area in summerfallow, at 26.0 million acres, is 3 per cent above that of 1966.

For Canada as a whole the area seeded to the sixteen spring-planted crops covered in this report is estimated at 53.2 million acres compared with 53.3 million acres in 1966. Total acreage of the sixteen spring-planted crops, together with winter wheat, fall rye, tame hay and summerfallow amounts to 93.1 million acres compared with 92.6 million last year.

WHEAT Total wheat acreage in Canada in 1967, estimated at a record 30.1 million acres, is one per cent larger than last year's 29.7 million. In the Prairie provinces, where most of Canada's wheat is grown, acreage is estimated at a record 29.6 million, an increase of one per cent from last year's 29.2 million.

Note: Excluding Newfoundland for which data are not available.

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Preliminary estimates of <u>durum</u> wheat acreage in the Prairie Provinces at 1.3 million acres indicate a 24 per cent increase in acreage this year compared with 1966.

In Manitoba, total wheat acreage, including durum, increased some 8 per cent from 3.3 million acres to 3.5 million in 1967. In Saskatchewan acreage increased one per cent to a record 19.7 million, but in Alberta a 2 per cent decrease occurred, with the 1967 acreage being placed at 6.4 million compared with last year's 6.5 million. Ontario's winter wheat area remaining for harvest at 400,000 acres in 1967 increased 17 per cent from the 1966 level of 341,000.

OATS The area seeded to oats in Canada in 1967 is estimated at 8.4 million acres, some 5 per cent less than that of 1966. In the Prairie Provinces the oats acreage, at 6.0 million acres, is also 5 per cent below that of 1966. Acreages in 1967 for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, respectively, are 1.7, 1.9 and 2.4 million acres. British Columbia's oats acreage at 67,100 is 2 per cent below that of last year. Decreases in the acreage of oats were registered in all Provinces except New Brunswick, Quebec and Manitoba. Ontario's 1967 oats acreage is placed at 1.1 million acres, down 11 per cent and Quebec at 1.0 million, up 2 per cent from the 1966 levels. It should be noted that acreage in the Prairie Provinces includes oats seeded for all purposes. A forcast of oats harvested or to be harvested for grain will be published on September 1, in Crop Report No. 17.

BARLEY Canadian barley acreage for 1967 at 8.1 million acres increased 9 per cent from the 1966 level of 7.5 million. Barley acreage in the Prairies is placed at 7.6 million, up 8 per cent from the 1966 level. In Manitoba the 1967 seeded area is 1.0 million compared to 0.9 million in 1966, in Saskatchewan 2.4 compared to 2.3 million; and in Alberta, 4.3 compared to 3.9 million acres. In Ontario, barley acreage increased 8 per cent.

RYE Rye acreage at 758,300 is 4 per cent above the 1966 level of 725,800. Fall seedings of rye were up 8 per cent but spring rye decreased by 18 per cent. The greater part of Canada's rye is grown in the Prairie Provinces where the 1967 acreage is estimated at 701,300 acres as compared with 671,100 in 1966.

OILSEEDS The 1967 flaxseed plantings at 1.1 million acres showed a decrease of 42 per cent from the 1966 level of 1.9 million acres. In Manitoba, where the largest area is now sown the acreage decreased 35 per cent in 1967. Saskatchewan registered a decrease of 55 per cent, and Alberta decreased 51 per cent. Flax sowings in Ontario show a decrease of 52 per cent and British Columbia decreased 18 per cent from 1966. In Quebec an 8 per cent decrease occurred this year.

SOYBEANS Seedings at 290,000 acres in 1967 increased 4 per cent from last year's level of 279,000 acres. Commercial rapeseed production is carried on only in the Prairie Provinces where in 1967 an estimated 1,726,000 acres were seeded to this crop. This represents an increase of 13 per cent from last year's seedings of 1,525,000 acres. The acreage seeded to sunflowers in Manitoba at 42,000 acres represents a decrease of 3 per cent from the 1966 level of 43,100 acres. Estimates for Saskatchewan and Alberta are not available at this time.

POTATOES The area seeded to potatoes is estimated at 301,600 acres, down 5 per ent from last season's 318,900 acres.

TAME HAY The area of teme hay, at 12.9 million acres this year, is 2 per cent below the 1966 record figure of 13.2 million acres.

OTHER CROPS The acreage of sugar-beets remaining for harvest on or about the end of July, amounted to 86,167 acres, 5 per cent more than last year's harvested area of 81,685 acres. Onterio's 1967 acreage of corn for grain placed at 850,000 acres is up 8 per cent from the 1966 level and Manitoba's seedings of 5,500 acres are up 90 per cent. In Quebec, the area planted to corn for grain was 20,000 acres compared with the 1966 acreage of 17,700; an increase of 13 per cent. Other spring-planted crops showing an increase in area in 1967 with 1966 acreages in brackets, are as follows: buckwheat 75,500 (54,600); and fedder corn, 596,400 (577,700). Those showing a decrease in area this year are as follows: peas, dry 47,400 (61,300); beans, dry 106,000 (118,000) and field roots, 13,700 (15,100).

SUMMERFALLOW Summerfallow acreage in the Prairie Provinces in 1967 is estimated at 26.0 million acres, an increase of 3 per cent from last year's 25.2 million acres. Summerfallow acreage by province and by crop district is given in Table 4, on page 8 of this report.

NOTE

Acreages of crops for which 1967 estimates are currently available (except for durum wheat which is to be found in Table 2) are shown in Table 1 for Canada as a whole and by provinces, together with the figures for 1966.

Historical averages for comparison purposes are not included in this report pending the completion of intercensal revisions based on the 1966 Census.

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 1967 area seeded to wheat, oats and barley and the area in summerfallow, with comparable data for 1966. An outline map showing the boundaries of the crop districts in the Prairie Provinces is on the back page of this report.

TABLE 1. Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada, 1967 Compared with 1966

Province and crop	1966	1967	1967 as 7 of 1966
CANADA(1)	- ac	. %	
Winter wheat	341,000	400,000	117
Spring wheat(2)	29,351,300	29,720,800	101
All wheat	29,692,300	30,120,800	101
Oats for grain(3)	8,823,900	8,376,100	95
Barley	7,461,300	8,115,000	109
Fall rye(4)	623,200	674,000	108
Spring rye	102,600	84,300	82
All rye	725,800	758,300	104
Flaxseed	1,917,700	1,107,400	58
Mixed grains	1,766,600	1,668,200	94
Corn for grain	806,600	875,500	109
Buckwheat	54,600	75,500	138
Peas, dry	61,300	.47,400	77
Beans, dry	118,000	106,000	90
Soybeans	279,000	290,000	104
Potatoes	318,900	301,600	95
Rapeseed	1,525,000	1,726,000	113
Tame hay	13,154,000	12,902,000	. 98
Fodder corn	577,700	596,400	103
Field roots(5)	15,100	13,700	91
Sugar beets(6)	81,685	86,167	105
Summerfallow	25,224,000	25,950,000	103
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Spring wheat	2,100	1,600	76
Dats for grain	85,900	80,000	93
Barley	11,600	18,000	155
dixed grains	48,100	50,000	104
Potatoes	52,100	51,000	98
Tame hay	182,000	180,000	99
Field roots	1,900	1,700	89
NOVA SCOTIA			
Spring wheat	1,400	2,000	143
Dats for grain	25,700	24,000	93
Barley	3,600	6,000	167
Mixed grains	10,100	. 13,000	129
Potatoes	6,200	5,000	81
Tame hay	226,000	218,000	96
Field roots	1,300	1,200	92

⁽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 except for 1967. The estimates for 1967 represent the area currently remaining for harvest.

TABLE 1. Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada, 1967 Compared with 1966 (continued)

Province and crop	1966	1967:	1967 as 7 of 1966
		- acres -	7.
NEW BRUNSWICK			
Spring wheat	4,000	4,100	102
Oats for grain	72,600	74,000	102
Barley	5,600	9,000	161
Mixed grains	9,500	8,000	-84
Buckwheat	2,000	2,200	110
Potatoes	64,900	62,000	96
Tame hay	243,000	234,000	96
Field roots	1,100	1,100	100
QUEBEC			
Spring wheat	29,000	29,100	100
Oats for grain	1,002,000	1,018,000	102
Barley	15,500	17,000	110
Fall rye	4,900	4,900	100
Flaxseed	18,500	17,000	92
Mixed grains	102,000	110,000	108
Corn for grain	17,700	20,000	113
Buckwheat	16,000	13,300	83
	1,400	1,700	120
Peas, dry	1,000	1,000	100
Beans, dry	74,700	71,000	95
Potatoes	3,378,000	3,353,000	99
fame hay	73,900	76,400	103
Fodder corn	4,100	3,700	90
Field roots	8,418	8,700	103
Sugar beeta	0,410	0,700	103
ONTARIO	241 222	/00 000	44-
Winter wheat	341,000	400,000	117
Spring wheat	22,000	13,000	59
All wheat	363,000	413,000	114
Dats for grain	1,219,000	1,083,000	89
Barley	265,000	285,000	108
Fall rye	47,100	49,000	104
Flaxseed	14,500	7,000	48
Mixed grains	845,000	815,000	96,
Corn for grain	786,000	850,000	108
Buckwheat	13,900	15,000	- 108
Peas, dry	2,500	3,000	120
Beans, dry	117,000	105,000	90
Soybeans	279,000	290,000	104
Potatoes	52,100	48,000	92
fame hay	3,418,000	3,440,000	101
Fodder corn	454,000	480,000	106
Field roots	6,700	6,000	90
Sugar beets	11,925	15,067	126

TABLE 1. Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages,
Canada, 1967 Compared with 1966 (continued)

Province	TARREST TO A STATE OF	THE STATE OF THE STATE OF	1967 as
and crop	1966	1967	per cen of 1966
MANITOBA	ac	res	%
Spring wheat	3,255,000	3,520,000	108
Dats(7)	1,523,000	1,690,000	104
Barley	875,000	970,000	111
Fall rye	97,500	140,000	144
Spring rye	3,000	1,100	38
All rye	100,500	141,100	140
Flaxseed	1,107,000	718,000	. 65
Mixed grains	184,000	178,000	97
Corn for grain	2,900	5,500	190
Buckwheat	22,700	45,000	198
Peas, dry	46,000	30,000	65
	24,500		
Potatoes	170,000	24,300 176,000	99
Rapeseed	1,065,000		104
Tame hay		1,052,000	99
Fodder corn	37,100	26,000	70
Sugar beets	23,558	28,500	121
Summerfallow	2,669,000	-2,650,000	99
SASKATCHEWAN			
Spring wheat	19,405,000	19,670,000	101
Dats(7)	2,188,000	1,940,000	89
Barley	2,255,000	2,350,000	104
fall rye	328,000	319,000	97
Spring rye	70,300	58,200	83
All rye	398,300	377,200	95
Flaxseed	429,000	193,000	45
lixed grains	153,000	1.28,000	84
Peas, dry	1,000	800	80
Potatoes	8,500	8,000	. 94
Rapeseed	731,000	675,000	92
Tame hay	1,246,000	1,100,000	88
Fodder corn	6,300	7,000	111
Summerfallow	15,896,000	16,650,000	105
ALBERTA	13,070,000	10,030,000	103
Spring wheat	6,506,000	6,380,000	98
ats(7)	2,539,000	2,400,000	95
Barley	3,880,000	4,280,000	110
fall rye	143,000	158,000	110
pring rye	29,300	25,000	85
All rye	172,300	183,000	106
laxseed	347,000	171,000	-49
ixed grains	410,000	361,000	88
eas, dry	8,000	. 10,000	125
otatoes	25,400	22,400	* 88
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lapeseed		875,000	140
Tame hay	2,938,000	2,875,000	98
Sugar beets	37,784	33,900	90
Jummerfallow	6,659,000	6,650,000	100

TABLE 1. Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, Canada, 1967 Compared with 1966 (concluded)

Province and Crop	1966		1967		1967 as % of 1966
		- a	cres -		%
BRITISH COLUMBIA					
Spring wheat	127,000		101,000		80
Oats for grain	68,700		67,100	1000	98
Barley	150,000		180,000		120
Fall rye	2,700		3,100		116
Flaxseed	1,700		1,400		82
Mixed grains	4,900		5,200		106
Peas, dry	2,400		1,900		79
Potatoes	10,500		9,900		94
Tame hay	458,000	36	450,000		98
Fodder corn	6,400		7,000		109

TABLE 2. Preliminary Estimates of Durum wheat Acreages
1967 Compared with 1966

Crop	1966 area	Per cent of 1966	1967 area
	acres	%	acres
Manitoba	43,000	123	53,000
Saskatchewan	905,000	125	1,130,000
Alberta	116,000	120	139,000
Totals	1,064,000	124	1,322,000

TABLE 3. Preliminary Estimates of Acreages in Principal Crops and Summerfallow Prairie Provinces, 1967 Compared with 1966

Crops	1966	1967	1967 as % of 1966
		- acres -	
Wheat	29,166,000	29,570,000	101
All Oats (1)	6,350,000	6,030,000	95
Barley	7,010,000	7,600,000	108
Rye	671,100	701,300	104
Flaxseed	1,883,000	1,082,000	57
Rapeseed	1,525,000	1,726,000	113
Tame hay	5,249,000	5,027,000	96
Summerfallow	25,224,000	25,950,000	103

⁽¹⁾ Includes oats for grain and for hay.

TABLE 4. Estimated Seeded Acreages of Principal Grain Crops and Summerfallow, Prairie Provinces, by Crop Districts, 1966 and 1967

Crop	W	neat	- 08	nts	Bar		The same of the sa	fallow
district	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	196
			•	thousand	acres			
MANITOBA	22/	265	06	93	49	58	259	24
1	334	365	86			98	249	26
2	371	382	146	144	66			24
3	573	674	277	314	152	153	271	
4	65	73	78 .	82	64	65	66	6
5	241	300	226	248	97	. 84	218	18
6	1.9	• 30	29	28	3	3	36	2
7	258	255	119	125	51	66	230	23
8	247	264	138	143	46	57	194	18
9	202	225	122	130	. 46	50	198	19
10	403	407	109	103	116	120	391	40
11	27-2	257	112	104	66	71	246	28
12	62	68	73	62	28	30	78	9
13	118	120	40	41	62	82	120	13
14	90	100	68	73	29	.33	113	9
Totals	3,255	3,520	1,623	1,690	875	970	2,669	2,65
ASKATCHEWAN								
1A	890	917	120	119	.59	66	701	79
1B	640	660	169	162	44	56	560	57
2A	882	860	57	60	39	57	657	. 68
2B	1,246	1,270	84	69	85	101	943	97
3AS	1,240	1,263	78	73	49	37	989	1,03
. 3AN	674	668	42	35	36	30	595	64
3BS	886	892	40	35	78	59	751	78
			61	49	95	88	1,029	1,07
3BN.	1,279	1,305		33	86		382	41
4A	415	414	42	22		73	569	59
4B	699 .	708	29		30	23		
5A	1,241	1,254	189	186	119	119	993	1,02
5B	1,171	1,203	195	187	270	325	1,009	1,00
6A	1,768	1,795	115	97	97	112	1,347	1,37
6B	1,315	1,320	1 58	132	95	87	989	1,03
7A	1,192	1,227	41	28	98	95	1,032	1,05
7B	949	970	134	102	105	108	758	77
8A	532	535	88	78	190	236	539	57
8B ·	916	940	105	91	206	197	641	67
9A	902	894	235	197	322	308	828	92
9B	568	575	206	185	152	173	584	61
Totals	19,405	19,670	2,188	1,940	2,255	2,350	15,896	16,65
ALBERTA								
1	1,112	1,126	158	151	120	109	1,026	1,05
2	1,837	1,894	186	163	503	535	1,825	
3	573	563	294	277	638	648	716	70
4A	859	826	288	300	166	193	750	76
4B	916	884	552	567	354	425	815	80
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