

22-003
DOMINIONno. 1
1955
c. 1

Published by Author

NOT CIRCULATE
U OF STATISTICS
CANADA
E PAS PRÉTER
Howe, Minister of Trade and Commerce

1010686077

Memorandum

F.V.R. No. 6, 1956

Price: \$1.00 for the 1956 series
August 20, 1956VALUE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION, 1955

The total farm value of commercial fruit production for 1955 was \$39.6 million, a decrease of \$8.5 million from the 1954 figure. The decline in 1955 in total receipts from the sale of fruits was due to lower receipts from sales of apples (down \$7.1 million from 1954) and small fruit crops. Farm receipts from the sale of tender tree fruits were almost \$1 million higher in 1955 than in 1954. In the case of apples, sharply lower prices were associated with much heavier than average production. Revenue from the sale of berries (except grapes and loganberries) was down because crops were lower; prices in general remained close to those of 1954.

The value of the fruit crops in 1955 was lower than in the previous year in all provinces for which estimates are prepared. The largest proportional declines were in Nova Scotia, Quebec and Newfoundland. In Ontario higher returns from the sales of tender tree fruits in 1955 partially compensated for the reduced values of the apple and small fruit crops. In British Columbia the total value of fruit production in 1955 was 10 per cent below 1954.

According to the revised figures the 1955 apple crop of 19.1 million bushels was the second largest on record since the collection of statistics was commenced. In 1946 production stood at 19.3 million bushels. In the case of the tender tree fruits the 1955 crops were the largest recorded.

Prepared in the Crops Section in Co-operation with the
Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture and the Quebec
Bureau of Statistics.

5502-553.06

Estimated Production and Value of Fruit in Canada, by Provinces,
1954 and 1955

		1 9 5 4			1 9 5 5		
	Unit	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value
		'000	\$	\$'000	'000	\$	\$'000
Canada							
Apples	bu.	14,500	1.24	17,965	19,142	.57	10,870
Pears	bu.	1,261	1.78	2,246	1,510	1.71	2,579
Plums and prunes	bu.	716	2.05	1,467	828	1.29	1,068
Peaches	bu.	2,425	2.15	5,208	2,883	2.12	6,125
Apricots	bu.	118	2.48	293	184	1.72	316
Cherries, sweet	bu.	174	7.51	1,307	221	5.86	1,295
Cherries, sour	bu.	426	4.96	2,114	542	4.07	2,208
Strawberries	qt.	27,971	.25	6,870	22,674	.26	5,910
Raspberries	qt.	12,839	.24	3,131	12,099	.23	2,775
Loganberries	lb.	1,056	.15	162	1,237	.14	178
Grapes	lb.	88,876	.044	3,926	94,752	.038	3,622
Blueberries	lb.	31,755	.11	3,409	25,062	.11	2,688
Total Values				48,098	39,634		
Newfoundland							
Blueberries	lb.	1,949	.06	125	481	.08	38
Prince Edward Island							
Strawberries	qt.	780	.18	140	890	.18	160
Blueberries	lb.	442	.13	57	394	.07	28
Total Values				197	188		
Nova Scotia							
Apples	bu.	2,157	.98	2,114	3,250	.40	1,294
Pears	bu.	40	1.90	76	42	1.95	82
Plums and prunes	bu.	20	2.00	40	20	1.70	34
Strawberries	qt.	715	.24	172	825	.25	206
Raspberries	qt.	37	.41	15	40	.41	16
Blueberries	lb.	5,126	.12	615	2,800	.08	224
Total Values				3,032	1,856		
New Brunswick							
Apples	bu.	250	1.75	438	450	.80	360
Strawberries	qt.	775	.20	155	850	.20	170
Raspberries	qt.	50	.40	20	45	.42	19
Blueberries	lb.	3,500	.11	385	3,000	.10	300
Total Values				998	849		
Quebec							
Apples	bu.	2,500	1.58	3,957	5,000	.39	1,945
Strawberries	qt.	8,500	.24	2,040	5,000	.28	1,400
Raspberries	qt.	350	.42	147	300	.52	156
Blueberries	lb.	19,702	.10	1,970	17,642	.11	1,941
Total Values				8,114	5,442		

Estimated Production and Value of Fruit in Canada, by Provinces, 1954 and 1955

		1 9 5 4			1 9 5 5		
	Unit	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value
		'000	\$	\$'000	'000	\$	\$'000
Ontario							
Apples	bu.	3,071	1.74	5,353	4,037	.66	2,671
Pears	bu.	664	1.77	1,174	887	1.57	1,396
Plums and prunes	bu.	486	2.21	1,076	576	1.42	820
Peaches	bu.	2,154	2.16	4,654	2,370	2.21	5,235
Cherries, sweet	bu.	84	6.91	582	105	5.26	554
Cherries, sour	bu.	426	4.96	2,114	542	4.07	2,208
Strawberries	qt.	7,992	.23	1,868	7,578	.21	1,629
Raspberries	qt.	3,170	.40	1,263	2,566	.36	926
Grapes	lb.	87,102	.044	3,812	92,760	.038	3,496
Total Values				21,896	18,935		
British Columbia							
Apples	bu.	6,522	.94	6,103	6,405	.72	4,600
Pears	bu.	557	1.79	996	581	1.90	1,101
Plums and prunes	bu.	210	1.67	351	232	.92	214
Peaches	bu.	271	2.04	554	513	1.73	890
Apricots	bu.	118	2.48	293	184	1.72	316
Cherries, sweet	bu.	90	8.06	725	116	6.39	741
Strawberries	qt.	9,209	.27	2,495	7,531	.31	2,345
Raspberries	qt.	9,232	.18	1,686	9,148	.18	1,658
Loganberries	lb.	1,056	.15	162	1,237	.14	178
Grapes	lb.	1,774	.064	114	1,992	.063	126
Blueberries	lb.	1,036	.25	257	745	.21	157
Total Values				13,736	12,326		

Production of Fruits (apples excepted) in Canada, by Provinces,
1954 and 1955, in Tons^{1/}

Kind of Fruit	CANADA		NEWFOUNDLAND		P.E. ISLAND		NOVA SCOTIA	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
- tons -								
Pears	31,525	37,750					1,000	1,050
Plums & prunes	17,900	20,700					500	500
Peaches	60,625	72,075						
Apricots	2,950	4,600						
Cherries, sweet	4,350	5,525						
Cherries, sour	10,650	13,550						
Strawberries	18,633	15,112			488	556	447	516
Raspberries	9,178	8,706					23	25
Loganberries	528	618						
Grapes	44,438	47,376						
Blueberries	15,877	12,530	974	240	221	197	2,563	1,400
- tons -								
	NEW BRUNSWICK		QUEBEC		ONTARIO		BRITISH COLUMBIA	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
Pears					16,600	22,175	13,925	14,525
Plums & prunes					12,150	14,400	5,250	5,800
Peaches					53,850	59,250	6,775	12,825
Apricots							2,950	4,600
Cherries, sweet					2,100	2,625	2,250	2,900
Cherries, sour					10,650	13,550		
Strawberries	484	531	5,312	3,125	4,995	4,736	6,907	5,648
Raspberries	31	28	219	188	1,981	1,604	6,924	6,861
Loganberries							528	618
Grapes					43,551	46,380	887	996
Blueberries	1,750	1,500	9,851	8,821			518	372

^{1/} The original estimates secured by the Bureau were stated in measures of volume (except loganberries, grapes and blueberries). These were converted to tons at the following rates; 1 quart of strawberries or raspberries = 1.25 pounds (except in British Columbia where the rate of 1 quart = 1.50 pounds was used) and one bushel of all other fruits = 50 pounds (net weight). In reports issued earlier in the year strawberry and raspberry estimates for all provinces were converted to tons at the same rate (1 quart = 1.25 pounds). The change in the conversion factor used for British Columbia was introduced to conform with the official conversion rate used by the British Columbia Department of Agriculture.