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VALUE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION - 1959

The total farm value of commercial fruit production in Canada for 1959 was 43.5 million dollars, 1/ a small decrease from the 1958 revised total of 44.1 million dollars. Receipts from the sales of the 1959 apple crop were estimated at 17.3 million dollars, 17.4 per cent more than the 14.7 million for the previous season's crop. Although production at 15.5 million bushels in 1959 was below the 1958 crop of 17.0 million bushels, a substantially higher average price of \$1.11 per bushel (compared with 87 cents for the previous season) more than offset the effect of the reduced harvest.

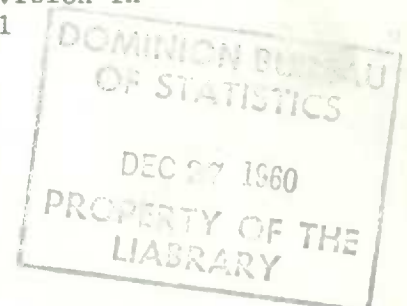
As a result of lower output, the value of the 1959 tender tree fruit crops totalled 11.8 million dollars, 16.4 per cent less than in the previous year. Small fruits returned an estimated 14.4 million dollars, also below the 15.3 million dollars realized from the sales of the 1958 crops. The decline in returns from sales of small fruits was due largely to smaller crops of strawberries and grapes in 1959 than in 1958.

In Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island and Ontario the total value of fruit produced in 1959 was below that of 1958. In Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and British Columbia, however, returns to farmers from the sale of these crops were greater in 1959 than in the previous year, due largely to higher receipts from the sale of apples. Fruit growers in Ontario received an estimated 19.2 million dollars for the 1959 crops, down from the 21.1 million dollars of the previous season. Lower returns from the sales of tender tree fruits and berries more than offset the effects of substantially higher apple prices. The value of British Columbia fruit crops for 1959 stood at 13.6 million dollars, up slightly from the previous season's 13.3 million. With a smaller crop, apple prices were substantially higher. Returns were up from several of the other fruit crops as well.

1/ Does not include cranberries for which value data are incomplete.

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Estimated Production and Value of Fruit in Canada, by Province, 1958 and 1959

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	Unit	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value
		'000	\$	\$'000	'000	\$	\$'000
<u>CANADA</u>							
Apples	bu.	17,006	.87	14,729	15,517	1.11	17,294
Pears	bu.	1,521	1.96	2,986	1,276	1.85	2,355
Plums and prunes	bu.	648	1.84	1,194	620	1.65	1,020
Peaches	bu.	3,043	1.89	5,761	2,645	2.06	5,444
Apricots	bu.	231	1.92	443	181	2.56	464
Cherries, sweet	bu.	297	6.06	1,799	246	6.94	1,708
Cherries, sour	bu.	460	4.21	1,937	241	3.38	815
Strawberries	qt.	23,926	.22	5,264	21,405	.22	4,711
Raspberries	qt.	11,865	.22	2,655	11,215	.25	2,781
Loganberries	lb.	893	.15	134	1,217	.15	184
Grapes	lb.	106,222	.046	4,867	84,378	.048	4,034
Blueberries	lb.	16,283	.15	2,365	23,008	.12	2,710
Cranberries	lb.	82 1/	.14	11	668 2/		
Total Values				44,145	43,520		
<u>NEWFOUNDLAND</u>							
Blueberries	lb.	1,644	.07	115	1,500	.07	105
<u>PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND</u>							
Strawberries	qt.	1,254	.22	276	650	.22	143
Blueberries	lb.	300	.09	27	600	.13	78
Total Values				303	221		
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>							
Apples	bu.	1,455	.63	917	2,260	.64	1,446
Pears	bu.	32	1.75	56	35	1.80	63
Plums and prunes	bu.	5	2.50	12	5	2.60	13
Strawberries	qt.	1,748	.25	437	1,209	.265	320
Raspberries	qt.	44	.43	19	35	.45	16
Blueberries	lb.	3,000	.125	375	5,200	.105	546
Cranberries	lb.				518		n.a.
Total Values				1,816	2,404		
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>							
Apples	bu.	350	1.30	455	500	1.10	550
Strawberries	qt.	1,000	.22	220	600	.28	168
Raspberries	qt.	60	.43	26	50	.42	21
Blueberries	lb.	2,500	.13	325	3,500	.11	385
Cranberries	lb.				35	.16	6
Total Values				1,026	1,130		

Estimated Production and Value of Fruit in Canada, by Province, 1958 and 1959 (Concluded)

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	Unit	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value	Production	Price per Unit	Total Farm Value
		'000	\$	\$'000	'000	\$	\$'000
<u>QUEBEC</u>							
Apples	bu.	4,465	.79	3,527	3,980	1.05	4,179
Strawberries	qt.	6,300	.22	,386	6,552	.17	1,114
Raspberries	qt.	1,274	.34	433	988	.40	395
Blueberries	lb.	6,917	.16	1,129	10,461	.12	1,236
Total Values				6,475			6,924
<u>ONTARIO</u>							
Apples	bu.	4,720	.83	3,937	4,603	1.07	4,942
Pears	bu.	865	1.66	1,433	767	1.65	1,263
Plums and Prunes	bu.	422	1.78	751	360	1.65	594
Peaches	bu.	2,588	1.89	4,886	2,143	2.08	4,455
Cherries, sweet	bu.	176	5.48	968	176	5.57	982
Cherries, sour	bu.	460	4.21	1,937	241	3.38	815
Strawberries	qt.	6,854	.22	1,490	6,188	.23	1,409
Raspberries	qt.	2,882	.35	1,011	2,365	.37	884
Grapes	lb.	103,874	.045	4,698	81,800	.047	3,845
Total Values				21,111			19,189
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>							
Apples	bu.	6,016	.98	5,893	4,174	1.48	6,177
Pears	bu.	624	2.40	1,497	474	2.17	1,029
Plums and prunes	bu.	221	1.95	431	255	1.62	413
Peaches	bu.	455	1.92	875	502	1.97	989
Apricots	bu.	231	1.92	443	181	2.56	464
Cherries, sweet	bu.	121	6.87	831	70	10.37	726
Strawberries	qt.	6,770	.21	1,455	6,206	.25	1,557
Raspberries	qt.	7,605	.15	1,166	7,777	.19	1,465
Loganberries	lb.	893	.15	134	1,217	.15	184
Grapes	lb.	2,348	.072	169	2,578	.073	189
Blueberries	lb.	1,922	.205	394	1,747	.21	360
Cranberries	lb.	82	.14	11	115	.19	22
Total Values				13,299			13,575

1/ British Columbia only.

2/ Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia.

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