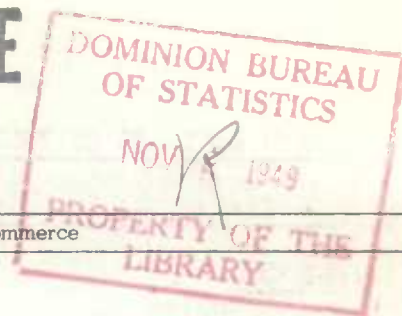


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FRUIT REPORT

OTTAWA, November 4, 1949 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Marketing Service of the Department of Agriculture and the Provincial Departments of Agriculture issues today the fifth estimate of fruit production in Canada as indicated by crop conditions at mid-October.

SUMMARY

A further upward adjustment in the estimates of late tree fruit crops has taken place since the last report was issued. The Canadian apple crop is now set at 17,339,000 bushels, an improvement of three percent since September. The current estimate makes the crop 29 percent larger than that of a year ago. Increases occurred in all provinces with the greatest improvement being shown in Nova Scotia, Quebec and Ontario. The present estimate of the pear crop shows a slight upward revision since last month with production now being set at 996,000 bushels. This represents a two percent increase since September and makes the crop 26 percent larger than that of 1948 when 789,000 bushels were harvested. The latest estimate of the peach crop also shows a two percent increase since the last report. Production is now set at 2,034,000 bushels or 16 percent more than the 1948 harvest of 1,760,000 bushels. A very minor revision in the estimate of the Ontario grape harvest brings Canadian production to 54,148,000 pounds. The crop this year is the smallest since 1936 and is 41 percent less than was harvested in 1948.



FIFTH ESTIMATE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION IN CANADA IN 1949 WITH FINAL ESTIMATE FOR 1948

Item	Unit	1948	1949
<u>CANADA</u>			
Apples	bu.	13,404,000	17,339,000
Pears	bu.	789,000	996,000
Plums and prunes	bu.	671,000	796,000
Peaches	bu.	1,760,000	2,034,000
Apricots	bu.	152,000	182,000
Cherries	bu.	392,000	442,000
Strawberries	qt.	32,950,000	25,594,000
Raspberries	qt.	15,657,000	10,936,000
Loganberries	lb.	2,261,000	1,244,000
Grapes	lb.	57,623,000	34,148,000
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>			
Apples	bu.	2,291,000	3,750,000
Pears	bu.	22,000	15,000
Plums and prunes	bu.	9,000	9,000
Strawberries	qt.	660,000	660,000
Raspberries	qt.	65,000	74,000
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>			
Apples	bu.	300,000	340,000
Strawberries	qt.	2,000,000	1,500,000
Raspberries	qt.	45,000	35,000
<u>QUEBEC</u>			
Apples	bu.	1,200,000	2,000,000
Strawberries	qt.	5,200,000	7,500,000
Raspberries	qt.	220,000	300,000
<u>ONTARIO</u>			
Apples	bu.	2,340,000	3,278,000
Pears	bu.	219,000	400,000
Plums and prunes	bu.	296,000	326,000
Peaches	bu.	1,030,000	1,238,000
Cherries	bu.	261,000	239,000
Strawberries	qt.	10,070,000	5,120,000
Raspberries	qt.	3,709,000	3,556,000
Grapes	lb.	54,644,000	30,900,000
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>			
Apples	bu.	7,273,000	7,971,000
Pears	bu.	548,000	581,000
Plums and prunes	bu.	366,000	461,000
Peaches	bu.	730,000	796,000
Apricots	bu.	152,000	182,000
Cherries	bu.	131,000	203,000
Strawberries	qt.	15,020,000	10,814,000
Raspberries	qt.	11,618,000	6,971,000
Loganberries	lb.	2,261,000	1,244,000
Grapes	lb.	2,979,000	3,248,000

Note:- British Columbia estimates for 1949 are unrevised since September 15.