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SECOND ESTIMATE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION, 1952

Latest estimates place the 1952 apple crop at 12,785,000 bushels, about 825,000 bushels less than in 1951. Although the change in total production from last year is moderate, there are pronounced differences in the apple crop from 1951 in some of the producing areas. In 1951 almost 50 per cent of the Canadian apple crop was grown in Quebec and Ontario while this year less than 30 per cent will be produced in these provinces. This is attributable to substantial decreases in production in Ontario and Quebec coupled with a large increase in British Columbia and a moderate one in Nova Scotia.

Pear production is lower this year than last, the crop being smaller in both Ontario and British Columbia. The output of all stone fruits, however, is greater in 1952, the increase being due almost entirely to the larger British Columbia crop which more than offsets declines in the east. The very substantial increases in production of apricots, cherries and peaches in British Columbia this year reflect the continuing recovery of the orchards from the frost damage sustained during the winter of 1949-50.

The 1952 production of strawberries and raspberries is somewhat above that of 1951 due almost entirely to increases in British Columbia production.

The reduction from last year in many crops of fruits in Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick was due in part to unfavourable weather conditions at various times during the growing season this year.

SECOND ESTIMATE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION IN 1952 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 1951

Description	Unit	Production	
		1951 ^{1/}	1952
		'000	'000
CANADA			
Apples	bu.	13,610	12,785
Pears	bu.	1,225	1,067
Plums and Prunes	bu.	693	699
Peaches	bu.	1,792	2,066
Apricots	bu.	38	246
Cherries	bu.	419	423
Strawberries	qt.	25,293	26,307
Raspberries	qt.	10,979	11,039
Loganberries	lb.	883	1,430
Grapes	lb.	88,602	82,633

^{1/} Revised

Source: B. C. - Prepared in the British Columbia Department of Agriculture with the co-operation of the Canada Department of Agriculture.

Ont. - Prepared by the Ontario Fruit & Vegetable statistics committee including representatives of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Canada Department of Agriculture and Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Que. - Prepared by the Canada Department of Agriculture.

Maritime Provinces - Prepared by Dominion Bureau of Statistics and federal and provincial Departments of Agriculture.



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SECOND ESTIMATE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION IN 1952 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 1951

Description	Unit	Production	
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NOVA SCOTIA			
Apples	bu.	1,539	1,695
Pears	bu.	38	56
Plums and prunes	bu.	7	14
Strawberries	qt.	680	750
Raspberries	qt.	78	22
NEW BRUNSWICK			
Apples	bu.	360	330
Strawberries	qt.	850	800
Raspberries	qt.	55	25
QUEBEC 2/			
Apples	bu.	3,100	1,400
Strawberries	qt.	7,000	7,000
Raspberries	qt.	375	375
ONTARIO			
Apples	bu.	3,511	2,256
Pears	bu.	563	524
Plums and prunes	bu.	361	340
Peaches	bu.	1,348	1,400
Cherries	bu.	348	290
Strawberries	qt.	9,765	8,380
Raspberries	qt.	4,151	3,159
Grapes	lb.	86,708	80,318
BRITISH COLUMBIA			
Apples	bu.	5,100	7,104
Pears	bu.	624	487
Plums and prunes	bu.	325	345
Peaches	bu.	444	666
Apricots	bu.	38	246
Cherries	bu.	71	133
Strawberries	qt.	6,998	9,377
Raspberries	qt.	6,320	7,458
Loganberries	lb.	883	1,430
Grapes	lb.	1,894	2,315

1/ Revised

2/ July estimate, later estimate not available.