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PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF PLANTED ACREAGES OF CERTAIN VEGETABLE CROPS
GROWN FOR SALE IN 1958

The accompanying tables show preliminary estimates of the planted commercial acreage of a total of fifteen specified vegetables in 1958. The 1957 and 1958 totals are not directly comparable as a larger number of crops are included in 1958 for the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba and Alberta. All estimates, except where otherwise indicated, include acreage planted for processing and for sale on the fresh market. Crops grown, either on farms or elsewhere, for home consumption only, are not included.

The 1958 estimates for Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba and Alberta were based on the response received to a mail questionnaire survey of growers reporting vegetable crops to the 1956 Census. Prior to 1958, these had been based on replies, received through a mail questionnaire survey, of a random sample of growers reporting sales of vegetables to the 1951 Census. With certain changes in technique it was possible to obtain information on and to prepare estimates for some additional crops in 1958. Estimates were prepared in co-operation with the Provincial Departments of Agriculture and the Quebec Bureau of Statistics. Vegetable acreage estimates for Ontario were prepared by an inter-departmental Committee on Fruit and Vegetable Statistics. The British Columbia estimates are those published by the Provincial Department of Agriculture.

The total planted acreage of commercial vegetables in the provinces for which estimates are provided herewith, is placed at 195,120 acres in 1958. Of this total, 2,720 is made up of crops for which estimates were not available for 1957. Estimated planted acreage in 1957 was 205,310 acres. The acreages of canning corn, peas, and tomatoes were down by almost 21,000 acres. This sharp reduction was partially offset by the increase of other vegetable crops, particularly in the Province of Quebec.

In interpreting these statistics it should be noted that the Canada totals include only the acreages for the provinces for which estimates are available. For instance, the Canada totals for fresh beans, fresh sweet corn, cucumbers and parsnips do not include areas of these crops in Quebec. In addition no estimates are made for any vegetables grown in Newfoundland or Saskatchewan. For these reasons it is suggested that readers pay careful attention to the footnotes to the tables.

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PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF PLANTED COMMERCIAL ACREAGES OF CERTAIN
VEGETABLES IN 1958 WITH COMPARABLE FIGURES FOR 1957

	Canada		Nova Scotia		New Brunswick	
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
	- acres -					
Asparagus	3,800	4,000	-	-	-	-
Beans, processing	11,080	11,590	550	620 ^{1/2}	nil	nil
Beans, fresh	90	100	30	40	60	60
Beets	3,890	4,600	100	80	110	100
Cabbage	6,480	7,650	280	240	160	180
Carrots	10,210	12,460	610	600	260	390
Cauliflower	2,100	2,600	2/	40	2/	50
Celery	2,300	2,650	-	-	-	-
Corn, processing	43,030	39,660	-	-	-	-
Corn, fresh	4,050	5,900	250	280	170	230
Cucumbers	360	1,230	2/	200	2/	80
Lettuce	4,730	6,220	2/	140	2/	60
Onions	5,720	6,560	-	-	-	-
Parsnips	570	190	2/	120	-	-
Peas	54,980	40,460	2,670 ^{3/4}	2,410 ^{4/7}	5/	5/
Spinach	1,070	1,120	-	-	-	-
Tomatoes, processing	39,370	35,960	-	-	-	-
Tomatoes, fresh	11,480	12,170	220	290	150	170
TOTALS	205,310	195,120	4,710	5,060	910	1,320

	Quebec		Ontario		Manitoba	
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
	- acres -					
Asparagus	400	560	2,820	2,810	80	90
Beans, processing	6,360	7,450 ^{6/7}	2,030	1,090 ^{6/7}	9/	9/
Beans, fresh	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Beets	1,960	2,880	1,310	1,100	90	160
Cabbage	2,020	2,720	2,860	3,280	380	410
Carrots	4,280	5,720	3,820	4,550	280	280
Cauliflower	590	740	850	990	270	370
Celery	1,050	1,550	820	660	2/	60
Corn, processing	10,210	11,860 ^{6/7}	24,630	20,640 ^{6/7}	9/	9/
Corn, fresh	2/	2/	3,630	3,990	2/	500
Cucumbers	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	370
Lettuce	1,890	2,980	2,140	2,370	80	100
Onions	1,140	1,870	3,660	3,790	480	440
Parsnips	2/	2/	510	2/	-	-
Peas	14,660 ^{7/7}	11,890 ^{8/8}	25,610 ^{7/7}	14,900 ^{8/8}	9/	9/
Spinach	260	280	700	700	-	-
Tomatoes, processing	5,700	6,120	31,760	28,560	10/	10/
Tomatoes, fresh	2,660	3,320	8,120	8,120	330	270
TOTALS	53,180	59,940	115,270	97,550	1,990	3,050

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VEGETABLES IN 1958 WITH COMPARABLE FIGURES FOR 1957

	Alberta		British Columbia	
	1957	1958	1957	1958
	- acres -			
Asparagus	-	-	500	540
Beans, processing	650 ^{11/}	880 ^{12/}	1,490 ^{14/}	1,550 ^{14/}
Beans, fresh	^{2/}	^{2/}	^{2/}	^{2/}
Beets	-	-	320	280
Cabbage	250	270	530	550
Carrots	230	260	730	660
Cauliflower	-	-	390	410
Celery	-	-	430	380
Corn, processing	4,850 ^{11/}	4,420 ^{12/}	3,340 ^{14/}	2,740 ^{14/}
Corn, fresh	^{2/}	900	^{2/}	^{2/}
Cucumbers	^{2/}	200	360	380
Lettuce	-	-	620	570
Onions	70	80	370	380
Parsnips	-	-	60	70
Peas	5,950 ^{13/}	6,670 ^{12/}	6,090	4,590
Spinach	-	-	110	140
Tomatoes, processing	-	-	1,910 ^{14/}	1,280 ^{14/}
Tomatoes, fresh	-	-	^{2/}	^{2/}
TOTALS	12,000	13,680	17,250	14,520

- ^{1/} Includes P.E.I.; refers to crops contracted for processing.
- ^{2/} Not available.
- ^{3/} Includes P.E.I. and N.B.; refers to crops grown for processing only.
- ^{4/} Includes P.E.I. and N.B.; refers to crops contracted for processing only.
- ^{5/} Included with N.S.
- ^{6/} Acreage contracted.
- ^{7/} Refers to crops grown for processing only.
- ^{8/} Acreage contracted for processing only.
- ^{9/} Included with Alberta as less than three firms reporting.
- ^{10/} Less than three firms reporting. Quantity negligible.
- ^{11/} Includes Manitoba.
- ^{12/} Includes Manitoba; refers to crops contracted for processing.
- ^{13/} Includes Manitoba; refers to crops grown for processing only.
- ^{14/} Includes fresh.

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