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LEAF TOBACCO PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1957

The estimated production of leaf tobacco (green weight) in Canada in the crop year ending September 30, 1957 amounted to 164,865,000 pounds approximately 3 million pounds more than that which was harvested in 1956. Canadian growers received \$78,589,000 for this 1957 production, \$6,000,000 more than the previous year. The producers within the Province of Ontario grossed \$75,716,000 compared to \$69,001,000 in 1956.

In 1957, the former Ontario Flue-cured Tobacco Marketing Association ceased operations. Resulting from a majority vote of Ontario producers, the marketing of Ontario tobacco was regulated under the Ontario Farm Products Marketing Act. The 1957 crop of leaf tobacco was sold by auction by the new Ontario Flue-cured Tobacco Growers' Marketing Board.

The yields from acreage of Ontario Flue-cured tobacco decreased from 1,303 pounds in 1956 to 1,233 pounds per acre in 1957. This was mainly due to adverse weather conditions during the latter part of June and early in July.

The acreages of Burley tobacco increased from 4,496 acres in 1956 to 6,000 acres in 1957. However, yields per acre decreased from 1,563 pounds to 1,353 pounds per acre respectively.

The overall yield per acre of green-weight leaf tobacco decreased from 1,274 pounds in 1956 to 1,205 pounds per acre in 1957. By types, the yield per acre for 1957 together with the respective 1956 yield in brackets, are as follows: Flue-cured, 1,201 (1,255); Burley, 1,353 (1,563); Dark, 1,293 (1,520); Cigar, 1,181 (1,174); and Pipe, 861 (873).

Area, Production and Value of Canada's Tobacco Crop by Provinces, 1956-1957 (1)

		Harvested Area	Average Yield Per Acre	Production (Green-Weight)	Average Farm Price Per Pound	Total Farm Value
		Acres	Lb.	'000 lb.	cents	\$'000
<u>ALL TYPES</u>						
Ontario	1956	116,356	1,303	151,589	45.52(3)	69,001
	1957	126,961	1,233	156,488	48.38(3)	75,716
Quebec	1956	11,291	907	10,252	29.44	3,018
	1957	9,786	852	8,333	34.25	2,854
B.C.	1956	75	1,320	99	40.40(3)	40
	1957	40	1,100	44	43.18(3)	19
Total	1956	127,722	1,274	161,940	44.50	72,059
	1957	136,787	1,205	164,865	47.67	78,589

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AREA, PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF CANADA'S TOBACCO CROP, BY TYPES 1956-1957

		Harvested Area	Average Yield Per Acre (2)	Production (Green-Weight)	Average Farm Price Per Pound	Total Farm Value
		Acres	Lb.	'000 lb.	cents	\$'000
FLUE-CURED						
Ontario	1956	111,400	1,291	143,862	46.30(3)	66,614
	1957	120,652	1,226	147,973	49.29(3)	72,936
Quebec	1956	6,139	779	4,782	40.23	1,924
	1957	5,661	658	3,726	46.80	1,744
B.C.	1956	75	1,320	99	40.68(3)	40
	1957	40	1,106	44	43.52(3)	19
Canada	1956	117,614	1,265	148,743	46.11	68,578
	1957	126,353	1,201	151,743	49.23	74,699
BURLEY (4)						
Ontario	1956	4,496	1,563	7,028	31.44(3)	2,210
	1957	6,000	1,353	8,116	32.74(3)	2,658
DARK (Air-cured and Fire-cured)						
Total	1956	460	1,520	699	25.27(3)	177
	1957	309	1,293	399	30.61(3)	122
CIGAR						
Quebec	1956	3,235	1,174	3,797	19.90	756
	1957	3,300	1,181	3,897	23.98	935
PIPE						
Quebec	Large	1956	600	1,230	17.46	129
		1957	130	1,346	20.50	36
Medium	1956	599	900	539	21.83	118
	1957	635	795	505	25.25	128
Small	1956	718	550	395	23.12	91
	1957	60	500	30	37.50	11
Total	1956	1,917	873	1,672	20.21	338
	1957	825	861	710	24.60	175

- (1) Prepared in co-operation with the Tobacco Division, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.
- (2) Average yields compiled before rounding production.
- (3) An additional two cents per pound was paid for grading and tying. In cases where tobacco was not tied, one cent per pound was paid for grading.
- (4) A few thousand pounds grown in Quebec in 1957 for experimental purposes.