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FIELD CROPS AND LIVE STOCK OF CANADA, 1936.

Ottawa, December 1, 1936.-- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues to-day a bulletin giving for the year 1936 as compared with 1935 estimates of (1) the areas sown to the principal field crops and (2) the numbers of farm live stock. In June last, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, in co-operation with the provincial Departments of Agriculture, undertook the collection of agricultural statistics for 1936 in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia, upon the same general lines as in previous years. For the provinces of New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario, returns were collected from individual farmers upon cardboard schedules issued through the rural schools. In Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and British Columbia, the returns were issued to and collected from the farmers through the mails. For the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the figures quoted are based on a large sample of the quinquennial census returns taken as of June 1, 1936. Cards were returned by about one in every five farms throughout Canada.

AREAS SOWN TO PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, 1936.

The total area estimated as sown to the principal field crops for 1936 is 56,617,550 acres, as compared with 55,595,160 acres reported for the same crops in 1935. Wheat occupied 25,289,000 acres, as compared with 24,115,700 acres in 1935. For fall wheat, the area harvested was 509,300 acres, as compared with 555,100 acres in 1935. The area under spring wheat was 24,779,700 acres, as against 23,560,600 acres in 1935. Oats occupied 13,118,400 acres, as against 14,096,200 acres in 1935; barley 4,432,500 acres, as against 3,836,800 acres; rye 635,000 acres, as against 719,500 acres, and flaxseed 467,750 acres, as against 214,400 acres. For the remaining crops, the acreages for 1936 are estimated as follows, with the figures for 1935 within brackets: Peas 92,500 (94,650); beans 64,000 (64,510); buckwheat 398,000 (380,100); mixed grains 1,172,800 (1,152,500); corn for husking 164,400 (167,700); potatoes 496,400 (506,800); turnips, mangolds, etc. 181,300 (135,200); hay and clover 8,786,800 (8,712,900); alfalfa 853,600 (764,900); fodder corn 408,500 (480,700); sugar beets 56,100 (52,600). The figures as published in our press letter of January 21 will also include grain hay. The areas by provinces are given in Table I.

NUMBERS OF FARM LIVE STOCK, 1936.

The total numbers of farm live stock in Canada as in June last are estimated as follows, with the corresponding numbers for 1935 within brackets: Horses 2,918,540 (2,931,337); total cattle 8,819,600 (8,820,600); sheep 3,370,100 (3,399,100); hogs 4,138,600 (3,549,200); hens and chickens 55,717,000 (53,062,900); turkeys 2,039,900 (2,066,200); geese 859,000 (918,100); ducks 682,300 (721,600); total poultry 59,298,200 (56,768,800).

As compared with 1935, horses on farms decreased by 12,797 while total cattle show a slight decrease of 1,000. Sheep in 1936 decreased by 29,000 and hogs increased by 589,400. Turkeys, geese and ducks show decreases of 26,300, 59,100 and 39,300 respectively; hens and chickens on farms increased by 2,654,100, making a net increase for all poultry of 2,529,400.

By provinces, horses show slight decreases in the Maritime Provinces, with larger decreases in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Increases are indicated in Quebec, Manitoba and British Columbia. Total cattle show increases in Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, and decreases in the other provinces. Sheep have declined in all provinces, with the exception of Nova Scotia, Alberta and British Columbia. Hogs have increased everywhere. Increases are shown in total poultry for all provinces except Ontario.



I.- Areas Sown to Principal Field Crops in Canada, 1935 and 1936.

Field Crops	1935	1936	Field Crops	1935	1936
<u>CANADA</u>			<u>ONTARIO</u>		
	acres	acres		acres	acres
Fall wheat 1/	555,100	509,300	Fall wheat 1/	555,100	509,300
Spring wheat	23,560,600	24,779,700	Spring wheat	98,800	98,000
All wheat	24,115,700	25,289,000	All wheat	653,900	607,300
Oats	14,096,200	13,118,400	Oats	2,376,700	2,345,900
Barley	3,886,800	4,432,500	Barley	523,000	519,200
Fall rye 1/	573,700	457,300	Fall rye 1/	59,300	53,200
Spring rye	145,800	177,700	Peas	68,700	66,800
All rye	719,500	635,000	Beans	57,000	56,300
Peas	94,650	92,500	Buckwheat	186,400	197,000
Beans	64,510	64,000	Mixed grains	926,600	953,100
Buckwheat	380,100	398,000	Flaxseed	7,400	5,300
Mixed grains	1,152,500	1,172,800	Corn for husking	167,700	164,400
Flaxseed	214,400	457,750	Potatoes	149,200	145,000
Corn for husking	167,700	164,400	Turnips, etc.	98,100	96,200
Potatoes	506,300	496,400	Hay and clover	2,878,600	2,893,300
Turnips, etc.	185,200	181,800	Alfalfa	588,900	666,400
Hay and clover 2/	8,712,900	8,786,800	Fodder corn	324,800	306,900
Alfalfa 3/	764,900	853,600	Sugar beets	38,500	37,600
Fodder corn	480,700	408,500			
Sugar beets	52,600	56,100	<u>MANITOBA</u>		
			Spring wheat	2,587,000	2,566,000
<u>P. E. ISLAND</u>			Oats	1,434,000	1,441,000
Spring wheat	26,000	24,000	Barley	1,121,000	1,384,000
Oats	154,100	154,800	Fall rye 1/	96,000	80,000
Barley	3,700	5,200	Spring rye	11,000	13,000
Buckwheat	2,700	3,800	All rye	107,000	93,000
Mixed grains	23,900	25,700	Peas	1,700	1,600
Potatoes	33,100	33,400	Buckwheat	4,700	5,700
Turnips, etc.	10,100	12,000	Mixed grains	23,100	10,800
Hay and clover	218,900	223,800	Flaxseed	17,300	88,000
Fodder corn	400	500	Potatoes	34,500	31,600
			Turnips, etc.	6,400	3,400
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>			Hay and clover	521,000	365,000
Spring wheat	4,200	4,000	Alfalfa	30,600	29,000
Oats	94,500	96,600	Fodder corn	73,700	35,800
Barley	7,700	8,900			
Buckwheat	5,100	5,700	<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>		
Mixed grains	5,900	6,400	Spring wheat	13,206,000	14,596,000
Potatoes	20,600	20,600	Oats	4,942,000	4,610,000
Turnips, etc.	11,800	11,700	Barley	1,146,000	1,299,000
Hay and clover	408,200	396,700	Fall rye 1/	292,600	243,500
Fodder corn	700	800	Spring rye	81,600	83,100
			All rye	374,200	326,600
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>			Peas	550	500
Spring wheat	18,600	16,400	Beans	260	250
Oats	215,100	219,900	Mixed grains	23,300	18,200
Barley	12,400	13,300	Flaxseed	167,500	354,300
Beans	1,200	1,200	Potatoes	49,500	44,200
Buckwheat	34,200	34,400	Turnips, etc.	2,200	1,800
Mixed grains	3,000	3,700	Hay and clover	159,800	230,000
Potatoes	44,300	45,100	Alfalfa	12,800	19,600
Turnips, etc.	11,700	11,800	Fodder corn	17,500	6,200
Hay and clover	572,900	574,700			
Fodder corn	600	800	<u>ALBERTA</u>		
			Spring wheat	7,500,000	7,360,000
<u>QUEBEC</u>			Oats	3,102,000	2,454,000
Spring wheat	62,500	56,300	Barley	920,000	1,036,000
Oats	1,674,400	1,690,200	Fall rye 1/	125,800	80,600
Barley	140,900	153,900	Spring rye	42,300	71,300
Spring rye	6,100	6,300	All rye	168,100	151,900
Peas	18,600	18,500	Peas	700	700
Beans	4,500	4,600	Beans	850	850
Buckwheat	147,000	151,400	Mixed grains	20,000	21,800
Mixed grains	122,500	128,800	Flaxseed	19,400	17,000
Flaxseed	2,500	2,900	Potatoes	29,900	27,800
Potatoes	127,900	131,200	Turnips, etc.	1,800	1,800
Turnips, etc.	37,800	37,200	Hay and clover	295,000	367,000
Hay and clover	3,506,200	3,575,800	Alfalfa	73,400	75,400
Alfalfa	11,100	13,000	Fodder corn	6,200	3,000
Fodder corn	50,800	48,300	Sugar beets	14,100	18,500

1/ Harvested acreages.

2/ Including 15,300 acres for seed in Saskatchewan in 1935.

3/ Including 2,600 acres for seed in Saskatchewan in 1935.



I.- Areas Sown to Principal Field Crops in Canada, 1935 and 1936. (Concluded.)

Field Crops	1935	1936	Field Crops	1935	1936
	acres	acres		acres	acres
<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA</b>			<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA (Con.)</b>		
Spring wheat	57,500	59,000	Flaxseed	300	250
Oats	103,400	106,000	Potatoes	17,800	17,500
Barley	12,100	13,000	Turnips, etc.	5,300	5,900
Spring rye	4,800	4,000	Hay and clover	152,300	155,500
Peas	4,400	4,400	Alfalfa	43,100	50,200
Beans	800	800	Fodder corn	6,000	6,200
Mixed grains	4,200	4,300			

II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1935 and 1936.

Description	1935	1936	Description	1935	1936
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<b>CANADA</b>			<b>P. E. ISLAND - (Con.)</b>		
<b>Horses:</b>			<b>Hogs:</b>		
Stallions	20,277	18,790	Hogs, over 6 mos.	11,000	9,300
Mares	1,354,800	1,311,100	Hogs, under 6 mos.	27,300	32,500
Geldings	1,203,400	1,201,600	Total	38,300	41,800
Colts and fillies	352,860	383,050	<b>Poultry:</b>		
Total	2,931,337	2,918,540	Hens and chickens	779,100	851,600
<b>Cattle:</b>			Turkeys	9,700	11,800
Bulls	276,500	251,600	Geese	26,300	28,100
Milch cows	3,349,200	3,374,000	Ducks	15,800	15,800
Beef cows	671,400	660,600	Total	830,900	907,300
Milk yearlings	858,900	847,800	<b>NOVA SCOTIA</b>		
Beef yearlings	1,044,000	473,600	<b>Horses:</b>		
Calves	1,986,500	2,026,200	Stallions	210	180
Steers	684,100	686,800	Mares	18,100	17,800
Total	8,820,600	8,819,600	Geldings	19,600	18,800
<b>Sheep:</b>			Colts and fillies	3,200	3,600
Lambs	1,529,110	1,506,100	Total	41,110	40,380
Total	3,399,100	3,370,100	<b>Cattle:</b>		
<b>Hogs:</b>			Bulls	4,800	4,800
Hogs, over 6 mos.	1,009,850	1,048,300	Milch cows	116,500	114,300
Hogs, under 6 mos.	2,539,350	3,090,300	Beef cows	10,000	8,000
Total	3,549,200	4,138,600	Milk yearlings	24,900	24,600
<b>Poultry:</b>			Beef yearlings	5,700	4,800
Hens and chickens	53,062,900	55,717,000	Calves	38,900	37,600
Turkeys	2,066,200	2,039,900	Steers	22,300	19,800
Geese	918,100	859,000	Total	223,100	213,900
Ducks	721,600	682,300	<b>Sheep</b>		
Total	56,768,800	59,298,200	Lambs	84,600	82,000
<b>P. E. ISLAND</b>			Total	48,200	52,900
<b>Horses:</b>			Total	132,800	134,900
Stallions	120	150	<b>Hogs:</b>		
Mares	13,500	13,300	Hogs, over 6 mos.	13,400	13,300
Geldings	11,000	10,500	Hogs, under 6 mos.	26,300	30,000
Colts and fillies	3,300	3,650	Total	39,700	43,300
Total	27,920	27,600	<b>Poultry:</b>		
<b>Cattle:</b>			Hens and chickens	1,123,000	1,235,500
Bulls	2,400	2,500	Turkeys	11,600	14,500
Milch cows	47,000	45,600	Geese	12,400	11,500
Beef cows	4,700	4,300	Ducks	6,800	7,100
Milk yearlings	11,400	11,500	Total	1,153,800	1,268,600
Beef yearlings	4,200	3,300	<b>NEW BRUNSWICK</b>		
Calves	18,500	18,400	<b>Horses:</b>		
Steers	7,400	7,100	Stallions	270	290
Total	95,600	92,700	Mares	20,700	19,800
<b>Sheep</b>			Geldings	24,400	23,900
Lambs	31,000	28,400	Colts and fillies	5,800	5,500
Total	19,200	20,400	Total	51,170	49,490
Total	50,200	48,800			



II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1935 and 1936. (Cont'd.)

Description	1935	1936	Description	1935	1936
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<b>NEW BRUNSWICK - (Con.)</b>			<b>ONTARIO -</b>		
<b>Cattle:</b>			<b>Cattle:</b>		
Bulls	8,700	8,000	Bulls	59,800	59,100
Milch cows	113,600	110,000	Milch cows	1,181,800	1,181,500
Beef cows	7,700	7,000	Beef cows	71,100	70,700
Milk yearlings	26,500	23,100	Milk yearlings	232,200	236,000
Beef yearlings	3,700	4,000	Beef yearlings	246,600	242,800
Calves	37,900	39,000	Calves	555,600	564,700
Steers	9,800	7,500	Steers	122,700	119,400
Total	207,900	198,600	Total	2,469,200	2,474,200
Sheep	65,200	65,300	Sheep	479,500	449,700
Lambs	45,700	43,500	Lambs	466,200	436,800
Total	110,900	108,800	Total	945,700	886,500
<b>Hogs:</b>			<b>Hogs:</b>		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	25,300	26,100	Hogs, over 6 mos.	266,500	311,500
Hogs, under 6 mos.	53,900	56,000	Hogs, under 6 mos.	958,800	1,096,800
Total	79,200	82,100	Total	1,225,300	1,408,300
<b>Poultry:</b>			<b>Poultry:</b>		
Hens and chickens	1,239,400	1,314,800	Hens and chickens	21,731,200	21,723,600
Turkeys	26,000	28,800	Turkeys	421,500	428,100
Geese	15,200	15,300	Geese	454,500	452,000
Ducks	8,600	8,300	Ducks	354,700	354,600
Total	1,289,200	1,367,200	Total	22,961,900	22,958,300
<b>QUEBEC</b>			<b>MANITOBA</b>		
<b>Horses:</b>			<b>Horses:</b>		
Stallions	1,700	1,700	Stallions	2,800	1,600
Mares	137,100	137,200	Mares	138,500	137,700
Geldings	97,200	96,700	Geldings	116,000	125,100
Colts and fillies	30,600	35,000	Colts and fillies	23,300	30,400
Total	266,600	270,600	Foals	16,400	20,000
			Total	297,000	314,800
<b>Cattle:</b>			<b>Cattle:</b>		
Bulls	95,400	93,700	Bulls	19,600	16,200
Milch cows	936,300	938,900	Milch cows	329,800	325,700
Beef cows	41,300	35,800	Beef cows	55,500	54,800
Milk yearlings	200,600	192,800	Milk yearlings	77,000	75,900
Beef yearlings	24,800	22,500	Beef yearlings	23,700	23,300
Calves	322,100	366,800	Calves	167,600	178,700
Steers	41,700	45,900	Steers	86,300	71,800
Total	1,662,200	1,696,400	Total	759,500	746,400
Sheep	340,190	348,500	Sheep	111,400	108,400
Lambs	326,610	305,600	Lambs	106,600	99,400
Total	666,800	654,100	Total	218,000	207,800
<b>Hogs:</b>			<b>Hogs:</b>		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	181,450	188,300	Hogs, over 6 mos.	61,200	63,500
Hogs, under 6 mos.	429,750	515,900	Hogs, under 6 mos.	122,300	207,100
Total	611,200	704,200	Total	183,500	270,600
<b>Poultry:</b>			<b>Poultry:</b>		
Hens and chickens	6,689,400	7,459,900	Hens and chickens	3,712,400	4,252,600
Turkeys	128,700	127,400	Turkeys	430,800	379,900
Geese	70,100	72,100	Geese	76,700	58,800
Ducks	76,700	80,300	Ducks	42,000	41,500
Total	6,964,900	7,739,700	Total	4,261,900	4,732,800
<b>ONTARIO</b>			<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>		
<b>Horses:</b>			<b>Horses:</b>		
Stallions	1,900	1,800	Stallions	6,940	5,600
Mares	273,300	271,900	Mares	417,800	393,100
Geldings	238,400	237,300	Geldings	375,100	375,100
Colts and fillies	49,300	51,900	Colts and fillies	133,960	131,800
Total	562,900	562,900	Total	933,800	905,600





II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1935 and 1936. (Concluded)

Description	1935	1936	Description	1935	1936
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<u>SASKATCHEWAN (Cont.)</u>			<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>		
<b>Cattle:</b>			<b>Horses:</b>		
Bulls	40,900	29,100	Stallions	437	470
Milch cows	553,900	590,600	Mares	26,500	26,000
Beef cows	134,700	143,600	Geldings	27,300	28,500
Milk yearlings	148,500	144,100	Colts and fillies	5,300	5,900
Beef yearlings	63,000	61,200	Total	59,537	60,870
Calves	386,600	391,300			
Steers	158,600	173,000	<b>Cattle:</b>		
Total	1,486,200	1,532,900	Bulls	7,200	7,700
			Milch cows	106,100	117,800
<b>Sheep</b>	263,500	200,300	Beef cows	58,100	57,100
<b>Lambs</b>	196,200	142,200	Milk yearlings	25,200	28,200
Total	459,700	342,500	Beef yearlings	21,200	21,900
			Calves	60,200	55,700
<b>Hogs:</b>			Steers	34,700	39,900
Hogs, over 6 mos.	194,500	168,800	Total	312,700	328,300
Hogs, under 6 mos.	319,900	195,800			
Total	514,400	664,600	<b>Sheep</b>	88,900	90,400
			<b>Lambs</b>	86,500	87,500
<b>Poultry:</b>			Total	175,400	177,900
Hens and chickens	8,684,800	8,846,600			
Turkeys	566,700	585,500	<b>Hogs:</b>		
Geese	146,200	114,600	Hogs, over 6 mos.	14,900	15,000
Ducks	103,500	79,400	Hogs, under 6 mos.	33,600	36,000
Total	9,501,200	9,626,100	Total	48,500	51,000
<u>ALBERTA</u>			<b>Poultry:</b>		
<b>Horses:</b>			Hens and chickens	3,320,400	3,758,900
Stallions	5,900	6,000	Turkeys	36,600	36,400
Mares	309,300	294,300	Geese	10,800	9,400
Geldings	294,400	285,700	Ducks	33,100	31,200
Colts and fillies	81,700	100,300	Total	3,400,900	3,835,900
Total	691,300	686,300			
<b>Cattle:</b>					
Bulls	38,300	30,500			
Milch cows	464,200	449,600			
Beef cows	288,300	279,300			
Milk yearlings	112,600	105,600			
Beef yearlings	101,100	94,800			
Calves	399,100	374,000			
Steers	200,600	202,400			
Total	1,604,200	1,536,200			
<b>Sheep</b>	405,700	491,000			
<b>Lambs</b>	233,900	317,800			
Total	639,600	808,800			
<b>Hogs:</b>					
Hogs, over 6 mos.	241,600	252,500			
Hogs, under 6 mos.	567,500	620,200			
Total	809,100	872,700			
<b>Poultry:</b>					
Hens and chickens	5,783,200	6,273,500			
Turkeys	434,600	427,500			
Geese	105,900	97,200			
Ducks	80,400	64,100			
Total	6,404,100	6,862,300			



Agricultural Statistics of the Indian Reserves, 1936.

For the fourteenth successive year, returns of the areas sown to field crops and the number of farm live stock in June on the Indian Reserves have been collected from the Indian Agents in co-operation with the Department of Indian Affairs. Subject to final correction for the year 1936, the total results for the principal crops and the numbers of live stock for all the Indian Reserves of Canada are as follows:

I.- Areas under Field Crops on Indian Reserves, 1933 - 1936.

Crops	1933	1934	1935	1936
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Wheat	40,060	35,817	32,970	34,233
Oats	44,728	41,904	39,891	42,954
Barley	5,490	5,604	6,778	5,927
Rye	531	267	351	242
Peas	820	737	821	776
Beans	902	861	936	787
Buckwheat	1,009	854	794	600
Mixed grains	1,606	1,270	1,873	3,275
Corn for husking	1,007	1,362	1,081	1,346
Potatoes	5,872	6,419	5,985	6,021
Turnips, etc.	1,119	1,208	978	1,034
Land for hay	27,562	28,152	29,772	34,451
Alfalfa	6,495	4,698	6,113	5,232
Grain hay	2,346	2,640	2,425	656
Pasture	49,207	42,225	49,848	52,874
Fodder corn	486	712	478	764

II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock on Indian Reserves, 1933 - 1936.

	No.	No.	No.	No.
Horses	35,368	30,990	28,572	29,447
Cattle	46,047	47,192	45,178	49,780
Sheep	2,752	2,851	2,595	2,033
Hogs	8,762	7,035	5,818	8,000
Poultry	138,597	134,183	114,553	110,228

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