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FIELD CROPS AND LIVE STOCK OF CANADA, 1937

Ottawa, December 7, 1937.-The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a bulletin giving for the year 1937 as compared with 1936 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 1937 upon the same general lines as in previous years. For all the provinces, except Alberta, British Columbia, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, returns were collected from individual farmers upon cardboard schedules issued through the rural schools. In these four provinces, the returns were issued to and collected from the farmers through the mails. Cards were returned by about one in every five farms throughout Canada. The areas under crops and numbers of live stock on farms in the Prairie Provinces for 1936 were obtained from the Preliminary Reports on the 1936 Quinquennial Census. These are subject to adjustment when the final Census figures appear.

AREAS SOWN TO PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, 1937

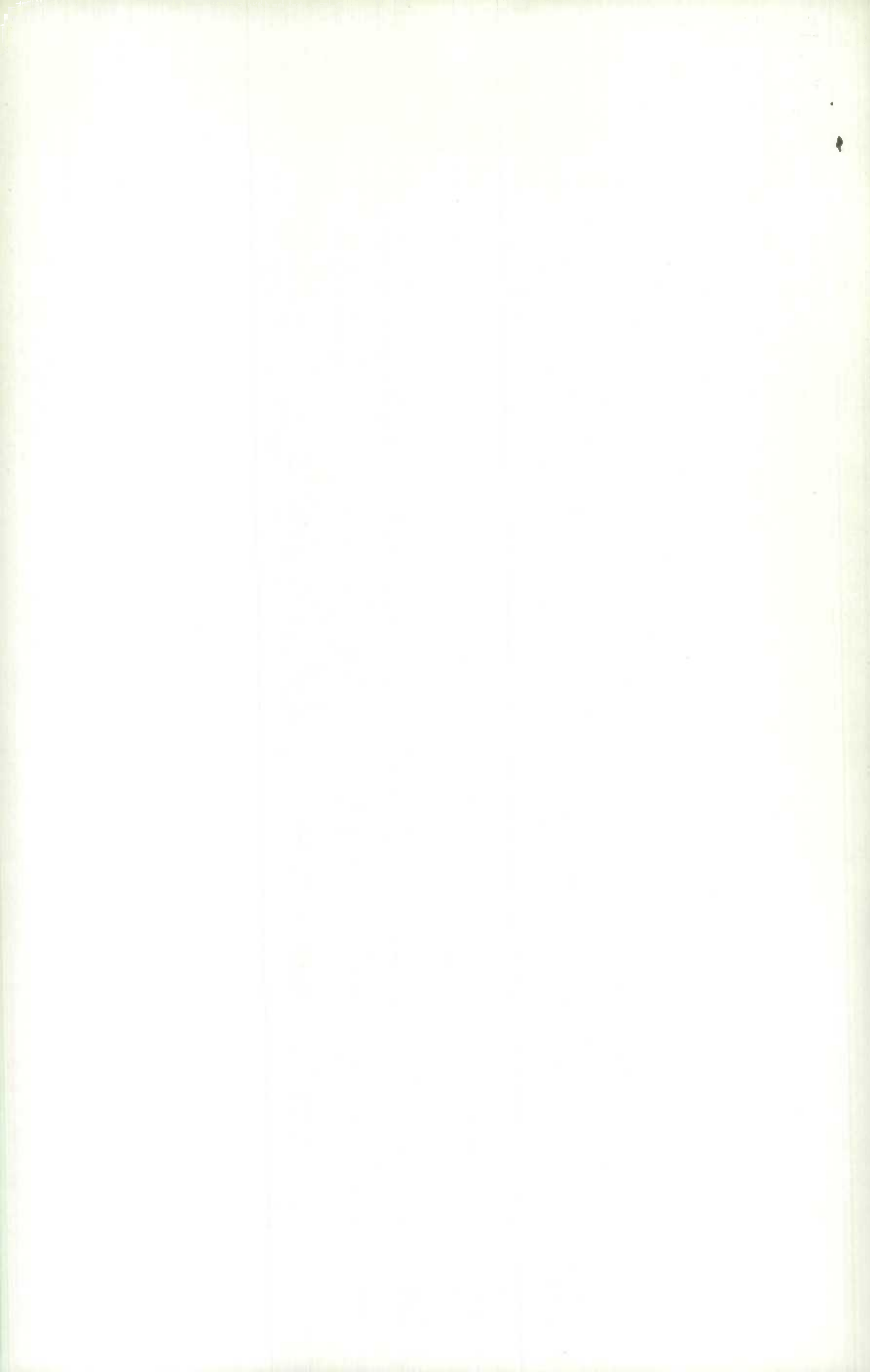
The total area estimated as sown to the principal field crops for 1937 is 56,678,900 acres, as compared with 57,101,850 acres reported for the same crops in 1936. Wheat occupied 25,570,200 acres, as compared with 25,604,800 acres in 1936. For fall wheat, the area harvested was 718,800 acres, as compared with 509,300 acres in 1936. The area under spring wheat was 24,851,400 acres, as against 25,095,500 acres in 1936. Oats occupied 13,048,500 acres, as against 13,287,700 acres in 1936; barley 4,331,400 acres, as against 4,437,600 acres; rye 893,700 acres, as against 625,300 acres, and flaxseed 241,300 acres, as against 477,150 acres. For the remaining crops, the acreages for 1937 are estimated as follows, with the figures for 1936 within brackets: Peas 84,000 (92,500); beans 67,600 (64,000); buckwheat 395,500 (396,700); mixed grains 1,128,200 (1,171,600); corn for husking 165,600 (164,400); potatoes 531,200 (502,100); turnips, mangolds, etc. 185,700 (182,500); hay and clover 8,693,300 (8,784,100); alfalfa 848,900 (854,200); fodder corn 447,300 (401,600); sugar beets 46,600 (55,600). The figures as published in our press letter of January 21 will also include grain hay. The areas by provinces are given in Table 1.

NUMBERS OF FARM LIVE STOCK, 1937

The total numbers of farm live stock in Canada as in June last are estimated as follows, with the corresponding numbers for 1936 within brackets: Horses 2,882,990 (2,891,540); total cattle 8,840,500 (8,840,600); sheep 3,339,900 (3,327,100); hogs 3,963,300 (4,145,000); hens and chickens 53,982,900 (55,769,300); turkeys 1,997,900 (2,044,700); geese 874,900 (854,900); ducks 654,400 (670,500); total poultry 57,510,100 (59,339,400).

As compared with 1936, horses on farms decreased by 8,550 while total cattle show practically no change. Sheep in 1937 increased by 12,800 and hogs decreased by 181,700. Hens and chickens, turkeys and ducks show decreases of 1,786,400, 46,800 and 16,100 respectively; geese increased by 20,000, making a net decrease for all poultry of 1,829,300.

By provinces, horses and total cattle show increases in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec, Manitoba and British Columbia, but decreases are indicated in Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Numbers of sheep have increased in all provinces but New Brunswick and Ontario. Hogs have declined in the Prairie Provinces, but increased in the other provinces. Decreases are shown in total poultry for all provinces except British Columbia.



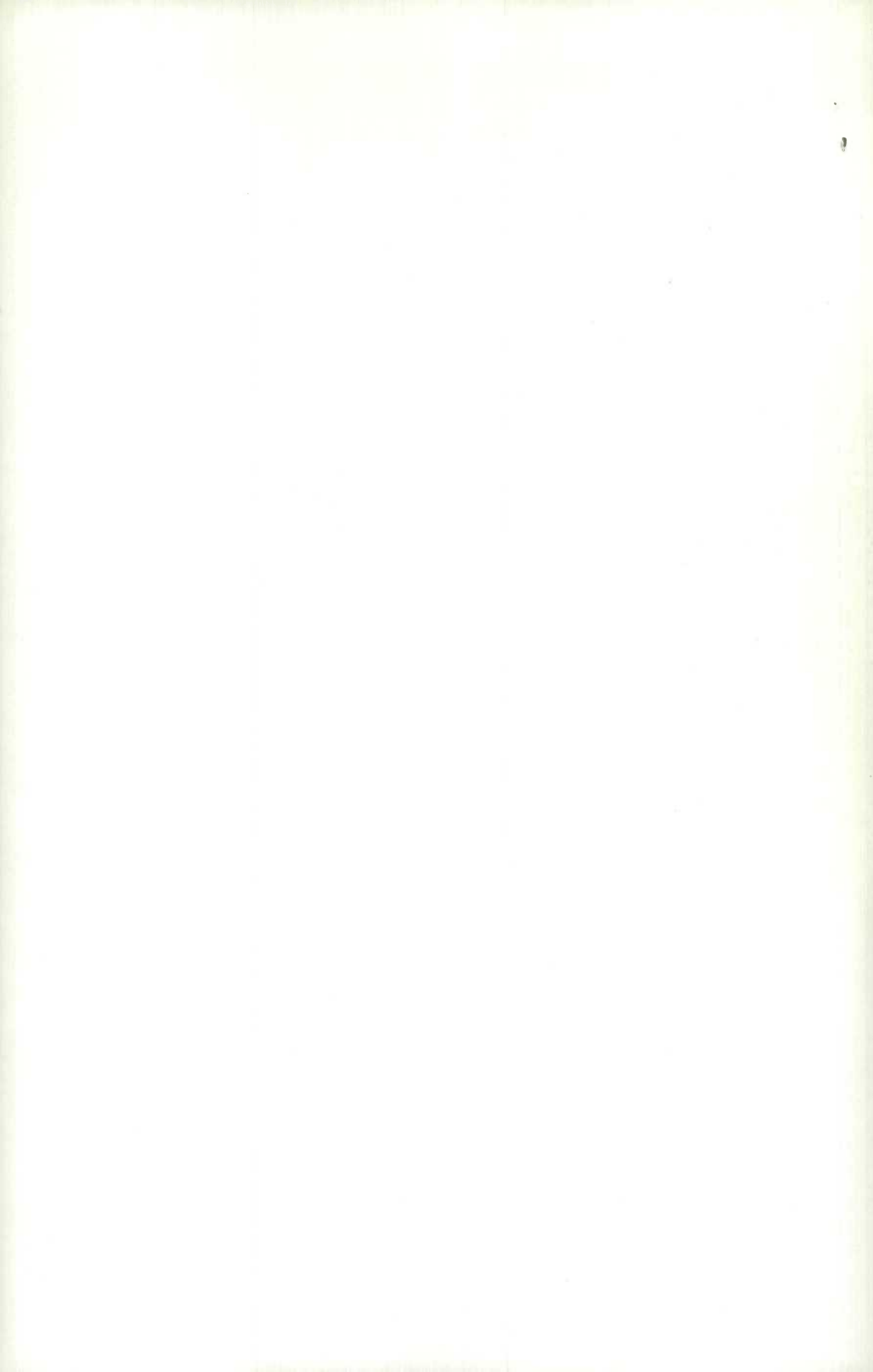
1.-Areas Sown to Principal Field Crops in Canada, 1936 and 1937

Field Crops	1936	1937	Field Crops	1936	1937
<u>CANADA</u>			<u>ONTARIO</u>		
	acres	acres		acres	acres
Fall wheat 1/	509,300	718,800	Fall wheat 1/	509,300	718,800
Spring wheat	25,095,500	24,851,400	Spring wheat	98,000	94,200
All wheat	25,604,800	25,570,200	All wheat	607,300	813,000
Oats	13,287,700	13,048,500	Oats	2,345,900	2,263,900
Barley	4,437,600	4,351,400	Barley	519,200	555,900
Fall rye 1/	458,500	700,300	Fall rye 1/	53,200	74,700
Spring rye	166,800	193,400	Poas	66,800	55,900
All rye	625,300	893,700	Beans	56,300	57,200
Peas	92,500	84,000	Buckwheat	197,000	195,200
Beans	64,000	67,600	Mixed grains	953,100	890,100
Buckwheat	396,700	395,500	Flaxseed	5,300	5,000
Mixed grains	1,171,600	1,128,200	Corn for husking	164,400	165,600
Flaxseed	477,150	241,300	Potatoes	145,000	150,600
Corn for husking	164,400	165,600	Turnips, etc.	96,200	97,200
Potatoes	502,100	531,200	Hay and clover	2,898,300	2,722,200
Turnips, etc.	182,500	185,700	Alfalfa	666,400	646,700
Hay and clover 2/	8,734,100	8,693,300	Fodder corn	306,900	317,300
Alfalfa 3/	854,200	848,900	Sugar beets	37,600	26,500
Fodder corn	401,600	447,300			
Sugar beets	55,600	46,500	<u>MANITOBA</u>		
<u>P. E. ISLAND</u>			Spring wheat	2,556,600	2,872,000
Spring wheat	24,000	18,600	Oats	1,453,400	1,410,000
Oats	154,800	153,300	Barley	1,423,000	1,393,000
Barley	5,200	6,500	Fall rye 1/	74,700	116,600
Buckwheat	3,800	3,700	Spring rye	13,600	18,600
Mixed grains	25,700	29,300	All rye	88,300	135,200
Potatoes	33,400	35,800	Peas	1,600	2,600
Turnips, etc.	12,000	11,600	Buckwheat	4,400	5,800
Hay and clover	223,800	231,100	Mixed grains	9,900	23,800
Fodder corn	500	400	Flaxseed	89,100	38,300
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>			Potatoes	33,600	30,900
Spring wheat	4,000	4,000	Turnips, etc.	3,100	5,500
Oats	96,600	87,400	Hay and clover	358,700	410,000
Barley	8,900	9,600	Alfalfa	28,100	30,000
Buckwheat	5,700	5,200	Fodder corn	31,300	64,500
Mixed grains	6,400	6,400	<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>		
Potatoes	20,600	22,000	Spring wheat	14,744,000	13,893,000
Turnips, etc.	11,700	11,700	Oats	4,684,200	4,380,000
Hay and clover	396,700	401,000	Barley	1,302,100	1,174,000
Fodder corn	800	800	Fall rye 1/	253,700	429,000
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>			Spring rye	82,400	89,000
Spring wheat	16,400	13,000	All rye	336,100	518,000
Oats	219,900	210,400	Peas	500	400
Barley	13,300	13,400	Beans	250	200
Beans	1,200	1,100	Mixed grains	17,900	18,800
Buckwheat	34,400	32,500	Flaxseed	366,200	175,000
Mixed grains	3,700	3,900	Potatoes	46,100	48,600
Potatoes	45,100	50,200	Turnips, etc.	2,000	2,400
Turnips, etc.	11,800	11,500	Hay and clover 2/	233,100	242,400
Hay and clover	574,700	570,500	Alfalfa 3/	20,000	23,000
Fodder corn	800	800	Fodder corn	4,900	7,800
<u>QUEBEC</u>			<u>ALBERTA</u>		
Spring wheat	56,300	53,000	Spring wheat	7,537,200	7,834,000
Oats	1,690,200	1,644,500	Oats	2,536,700	2,789,000
Barley	153,900	168,500	Barley	999,000	995,300
Spring rye	6,300	6,700	Fall rye 1/	76,900	80,000
Peas	18,500	20,400	Spring rye	60,500	75,000
Beans	4,600	7,500	All rye	137,400	155,000
Buckwheat	151,400	153,100	Peas	700	700
Mixed grains	128,800	133,300	Beans	850	900
Flaxseed	2,900	2,800	Mixed grains	21,800	18,000
Potatoes	131,200	143,200	Flaxseed	13,400	20,000
Turnips, etc.	37,200	37,600	Potatoes	29,600	31,000
Hay and clover	3,575,800	3,608,600	Turnips, etc.	2,600	2,700
Alfalfa	13,000	15,300	Hay and clover	367,500	356,500
Fodder corn	48,300	47,300	Alfalfa	76,500	83,000
			Fodder corn	1,900	2,700
			Sugar beets	18,000	20,000

1/ Harvested acreages.

2/ Including 28,600 acres for seed in Saskatchewan in 1937.

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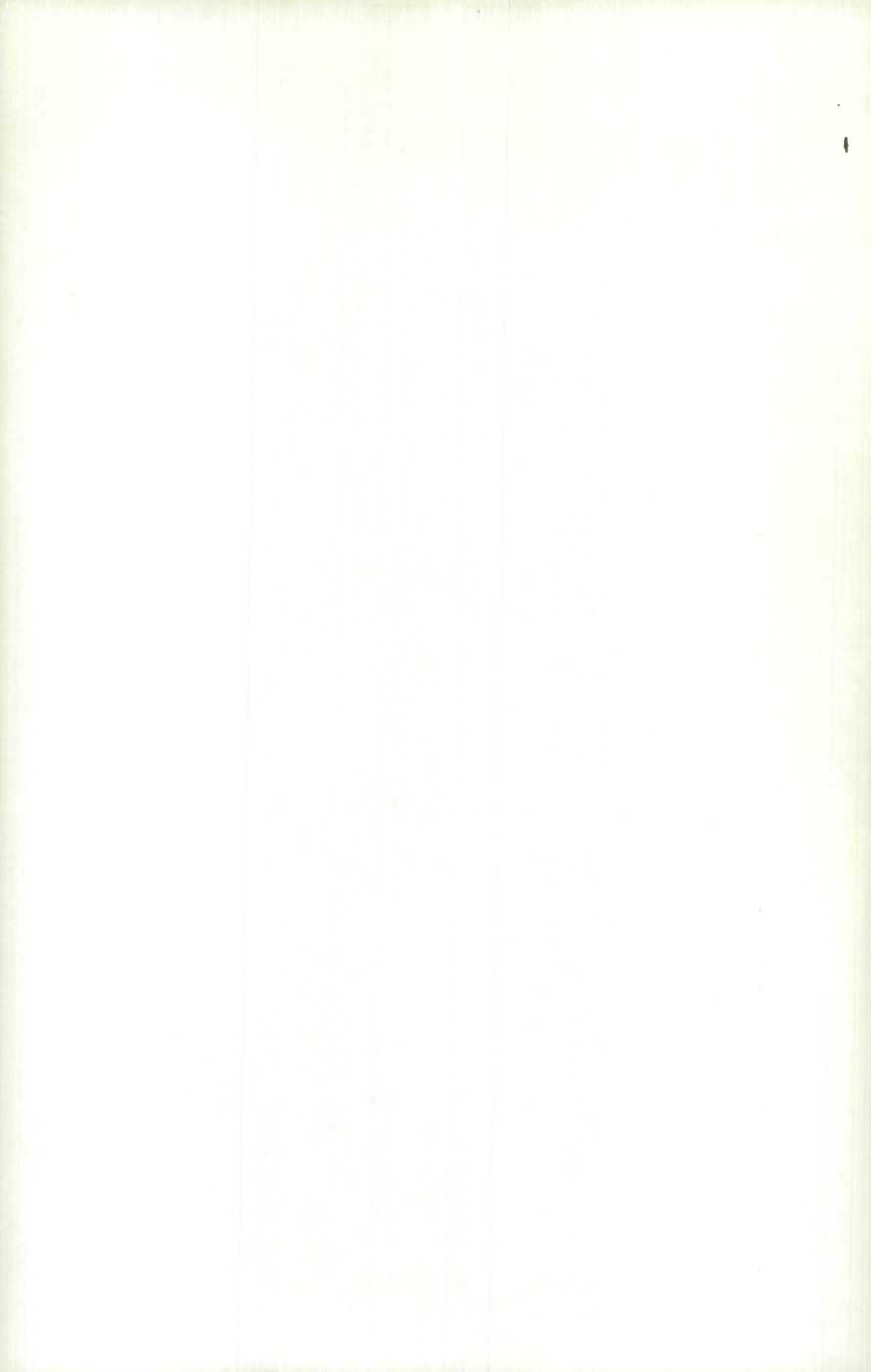


1.-Areas Sown to Principal Field Crops in Canada, 1936 and 1937. (Concluded).

Field Crops	1936	1937	Field Crops	1936	1937
	acres	acres		acres	acres
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>			<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA (Con.)</u>		
Spring wheat	59,000	69,600	Flaxseed	250	200
Oats	106,000	110,000	Potatoes	17,500	18,900
Barley	13,000	15,200	Turnips, etc.	5,900	5,500
Spring rye	4,000	4,100	Hay and clover	155,500	151,000
Foos	4,400	4,000	Alfalfa	50,200	50,900
Beans	800	700	Fodder corn	6,200	5,700
Mixed grains	4,300	4,100			

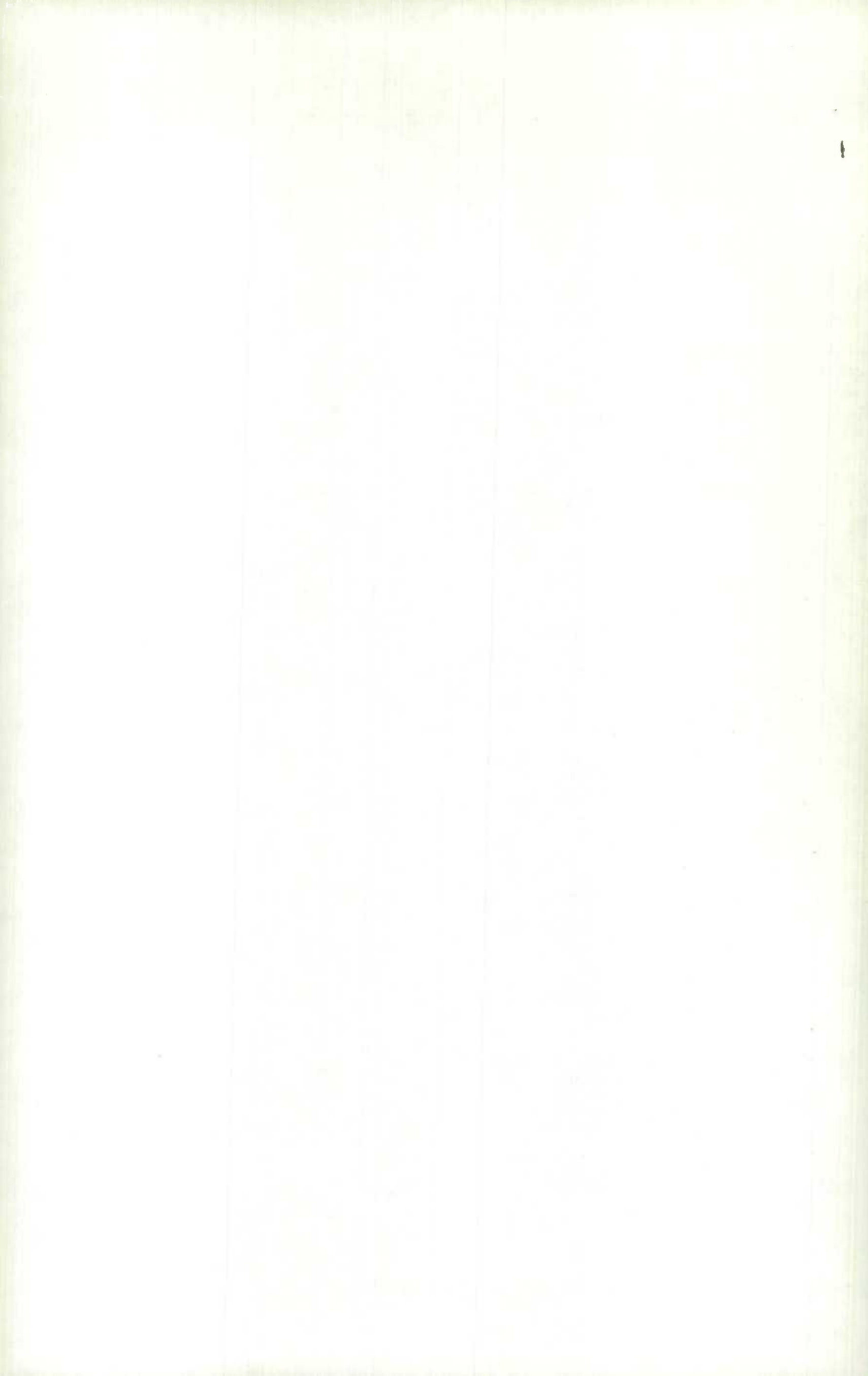
11.-Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1936 and 1937

Description	1936	1937	Description	1936	1937
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<u>CANADA</u>			<u>P. E. ISLAND - (Con.)</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Hogs:</u>		
Stallions	16,590	22,750	Hogs, over 6 mos.	9,300	8,600
Mares	1,309,900	1,309,660	Hogs, under 6 mos.	32,500	35,300
Geldings	1,189,000	1,162,580	Total	41,800	43,900
Colts and fillies	376,050	388,000			
Total	2,891,540	2,882,990	<u>Poultry:</u>		
<u>Cattle:</u>			Hens and chickens	851,600	826,200
Bulls	251,700	238,800	Turkeys	11,800	11,800
Milch cows	3,885,300	3,940,400	Geese	28,100	26,300
Beef cows	666,400	616,400	Ducks	15,800	13,900
Milk yearlings	841,100	915,000	Total	907,300	878,200
Beef yearlings	332,300	338,900	<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>		
Calves	2,030,800	2,003,700	<u>Horses:</u>		
Steers	833,000	757,300	Stallions	180	200
Total	8,840,600	8,840,500	Mares	17,800	17,900
<u>Sheep:</u>			Geldings	18,800	20,000
Lambs	1,820,800	1,835,000	Colts and fillies	3,600	4,400
Total	1,506,300	1,504,900	Total	40,380	42,500
<u>Total</u>			<u>Cattle:</u>		
	3,327,100	3,339,900	Bulls	4,800	5,500
<u>Hogs:</u>			Milch cows	114,300	115,700
Hogs, over 6 mos.	1,041,900	1,121,400	Beef cows	8,000	7,700
Hogs, under 6 mos.	3,103,100	2,841,900	Milk yearlings	24,600	27,300
Total	4,145,000	3,963,300	Beef yearlings	4,800	5,100
<u>Poultry:</u>			Calves	37,600	45,800
Hens and chickens	55,769,300	53,982,900	Steers	19,800	21,800
Turkeys	2,044,700	1,997,900	Total	213,900	228,900
Geese	854,900	874,900	<u>Sheep:</u>		
Ducks	670,500	654,400	Lambs	82,000	82,800
Total	59,339,400	57,510,100	Total	52,900	54,800
<u>P. E. ISLAND</u>			<u>Total</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>				134,900	137,600
Stallions	150	160	<u>Hogs:</u>		
Mares	13,300	13,460	Hogs, over 6 mos.	13,300	13,900
Geldings	10,500	11,180	Hogs, under 6 mos.	30,000	36,100
Colts and fillies	3,650	4,000	Total	43,300	50,000
Total	27,600	28,800	<u>Poultry:</u>		
<u>Cattle:</u>			Hens and chickens	1,235,500	1,211,600
Bulls	2,500	2,300	Turkeys	14,500	15,700
Milch cows	45,600	46,100	Geese	11,500	11,700
Beef cows	4,300	4,500	Ducks	7,100	5,100
Milk yearlings	11,500	12,000	Total	1,268,600	1,244,100
Beef yearlings	3,300	4,000	<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>		
Calves	18,400	22,300	<u>Horses:</u>		
Steers	7,100	8,300	Stallions	200	300
Total	92,700	99,500	Mares	19,800	20,800
<u>Sheep:</u>			Geldings	23,900	25,400
Lambs	28,400	28,900	Colts and fillies	5,500	5,800
Total	20,400	20,700	Total	49,490	52,300
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	48,800	49,600			



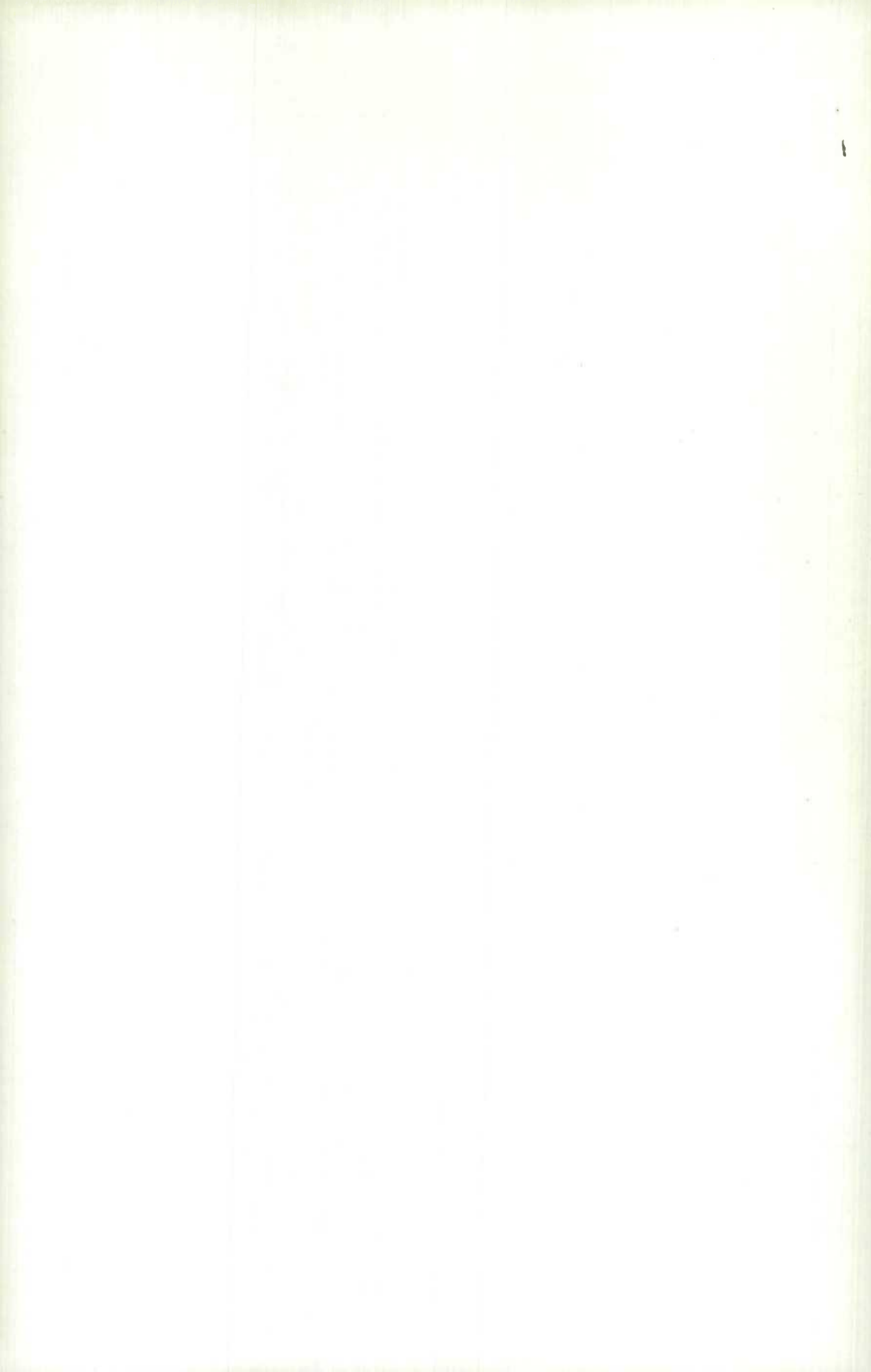
11.-Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1936 and 1937 (Cont'd.)

Description	1936	1937	Description	1936	1937
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK - (Con.)</u>			<u>ONTARIO -</u>		
<u>Cattle:</u>			<u>Cattle:</u>		
Bulls	8,000	9,100	Bulls	59,100	59,000
Milch cows	110,000	111,400	Milch cows	1,181,500	1,175,900
Beef cows	7,000	8,000	Beef cows	70,700	71,000
Milk yearlings	23,100	27,600	Milk yearlings	236,000	241,700
Beef yearlings	4,000	4,800	Beef yearlings	97,000	96,000
Calves	39,000	45,500	Calves	564,700	559,100
Steers	7,500	8,100	Steers	265,200	251,500
Total	198,600	214,500	Total	2,474,200	2,454,200
Sheep	65,300	64,000	Sheep	449,700	441,400
Lambs	43,500	43,100	Lambs	436,800	433,300
Total	108,800	107,100	Total	886,500	874,700
Hogs:			Hogs:		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	26,100	29,300	Hogs, over 6 mos.	311,500	406,900
Hogs, under 6 mos.	56,000	65,900	Hogs, under 6 mos.	1,096,800	1,082,000
Total	82,100	95,200	Total	1,408,300	1,487,900
Poultry:			Poultry:		
Hens and chickens	1,314,800	1,289,900	Hens and chickens	21,723,600	21,314,300
Turkeys	28,800	26,600	Turkeys	428,100	425,400
Geese	15,300	14,300	Geese	452,000	446,200
Ducks	8,300	8,500	Ducks	354,600	350,300
Total	1,367,200	1,339,300	Total	22,958,300	22,536,200
<u>QUEBEC</u>			<u>MANITOBA</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Horses:</u>		
Stallions	1,700	1,800	Stallions	1,500	2,800
Mares	137,200	140,100	Mares	137,000	149,400
Geldings	96,700	98,800	Geldings	124,900	120,900
Colts and fillies	35,000	39,200	Colts and fillies	21,000	30,100
Total	270,600	279,900	Foals	20,000	21,500
Cattle:			Total	304,400	324,700
Bulls	93,700	92,600	Cattle:		
Milch cows	938,900	962,400	Bulls	16,100	21,900
Beef cows	35,800	36,100	Milch cows	327,900	390,400
Milk yearlings	192,800	235,400	Beef cows	55,200	52,300
Beef yearlings	22,500	22,800	Milk yearlings	75,600	89,200
Calves	366,800	378,600	Beef yearlings	23,200	22,400
Steers	45,900	36,200	Calves	177,900	184,900
Total	1,696,400	1,764,100	Steers	71,500	85,900
Sheep	348,500	351,300	Total	747,400	847,000
Lambs	305,600	306,700	Sheep	108,600	108,600
Total	654,100	658,000	Lambs	99,300	107,600
Hogs:			Total	207,900	216,200
Hogs, over 6 mos.	188,300	208,700	Hogs:		
Hogs, under 6 mos.	515,900	565,200	Hogs, over 6 mos.	63,100	77,100
Total	704,200	773,900	Hogs, under 6 mos.	206,600	151,800
Poultry:			Total	269,700	228,900
Hens and chickens	7,459,900	7,362,300	Poultry:		
Turkeys	127,400	110,700	Hens and chickens	4,255,500	3,832,000
Geese	72,100	61,100	Turkeys	380,000	392,600
Ducks	80,300	69,000	Geese	55,900	72,500
Total	7,739,700	7,603,100	Ducks	37,400	35,900
<u>ONTARIO</u>			<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Horses:</u>		
Stallions	1,800	1,900	Stallions	5,600	7,400
Mares	271,900	269,200	Mares	392,800	384,400
Geldings	237,300	234,400	Geldings	368,400	352,000
Colts and fillies	51,900	52,400	Colts and fillies	131,500	129,800
Total	562,900	557,900	Total	898,300	873,600



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11.-Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1936 and 1937 (Concluded)

Description	1936	1937	Description	1936	1937
	No.	No.		No.	No.
SASKATCHEWAN (Con.)			BRITISH COLUMBIA		
Cattle:			Horses:		
Bulls	29,200	36,800	Stallions	470	490
Milch cows	591,100	563,700	Mares	26,000	26,400
Beef cows	143,700	128,900	Geldings	28,500	28,900
Milk yearlings	144,300	146,500	Colts and fillies	5,900	6,300
Beef yearlings	61,300	64,400	Total	60,870	62,090
Calves	392,200	369,900			
Steers	173,200	131,000	Cattle:		
Total	1,535,000	1,441,200	Bulls	7,700	7,800
			Milch cows	117,800	121,200
Sheep	200,000	193,900	Beef cows	57,100	57,500
Lambs	142,300	151,100	Milk yearlings	28,200	27,800
Total	342,300	345,000	Beef yearlings	21,900	24,600
			Calves	55,700	52,200
Hogs:			Steers	39,900	42,700
Hogs, over 6 mos.	168,900	152,000	Total	328,300	333,800
Hogs, under 6 mos.	497,900	302,100			
Total	666,800	454,100	Sheep	90,400	98,200
			Lambs	87,500	85,000
Poultry:			Total	177,900	183,200
Hens and chickens	8,862,300	8,116,000			
Turkeys	587,400	524,000	Hogs:		
Geese	113,100	111,100	Hogs, over 6 mos.	15,000	13,100
Ducks	71,000	74,200	Hogs, under 6 mos.	36,000	42,600
Total	9,634,800	8,825,300	Total	51,000	55,700
ALBERTA			Poultry:		
Horses:			Hens and chickens		
Stallions	4,900	7,700	3,758,900	3,869,500	
Mares	294,100	288,000	Turkeys	36,400	46,600
Geldings	280,000	271,000	Geese	9,400	8,700
Colts and fillies	98,000	94,500	Ducks	31,200	32,500
Total	677,000	661,200	Total	3,835,900	3,957,400
Cattle:					
Bulls	30,600	33,800			
Milch cows	458,200	453,600			
Beef cows	284,600	250,400			
Milk yearlings	105,000	107,500			
Beef yearlings	94,300	94,800			
Calves	378,500	345,400			
Steers	202,900	171,800			
Total	1,554,100	1,457,300			
Sheep	447,900	465,900			
Lambs	318,000	302,600			
Total	765,900	768,500			
Hogs:					
Hogs, over 6 mos.	246,400	212,800			
Hogs, under 6 mos.	631,400	560,900			
Total	877,800	773,700			
Poultry:					
Hens and chickens	6,307,200	6,161,100			
Turkeys	430,300	444,500			
Geese	97,500	123,000			
Ducks	63,800	64,900			
Total	6,898,800	6,793,500			



Agricultural Statistics of the Indian Reserves, 1937

For the fifteenth 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 1937, the total results for the principal crops and the numbers of live stock for all the Indian Reserves of Canada are as follows:

1.-Areas under Field Crops on Indian Reserves, 1934 - 1937

Crops	1934	1935	1936	1937
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Wheat	35,817	32,970	34,233	32,158
Oats	41,904	39,891	42,954	41,732
Barley	5,604	6,778	5,927	6,038
Rye	267	351	242	266
Peas	737	821	776	744
Beans	861	936	787	894
Buckwheat	854	794	600	432
Mixed grains	1,270	1,873	3,275	2,516
Corn for husking	1,362	1,081	1,346	1,298
Potatoes	6,419	5,985	6,021	6,181
Turnips, etc.	1,208	978	1,034	1,259
Land for hay	28,152	29,772	34,451	32,556
Alfalfa	4,698	6,113	5,232	7,297
Grain hay	2,640	2,425	656	788
Pasture	42,225	49,848	52,874	58,232
Fodder corn	712	478	764	681

11.-Numbers of Farm Live Stock on Indian Reserves, 1934 - 1937

	No.	No.	No.	No.
Horses	30,990	28,572	29,447	27,104
Cattle	47,192	45,178	49,780	50,293
Sheep	2,851	2,595	2,033	2,090
Hogs	7,035	5,818	8,000	5,612
Poultry	134,183	114,553	110,228	105,164

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