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FIELD CROPS AND LIVE STOCK OF CANADA, 1940

Ottawa, November 25, 1940.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a bulletin giving for the year 1940 as compared with 1939 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 1940 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.

AREAS SOWN TO PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, 1940

The total area estimated as sown to the principal field crops for 1940 is 59,865,100 acres, as compared with 58,235,500 acres reported for the same crops in 1939. Wheat occupied 28,726,200 acres, as compared with 26,756,500 acres in 1939. For fall wheat, the area harvested was 775,400 acres, as compared with 735,000 acres in 1939. The area under spring wheat was 27,950,800 acres, as against 26,021,500 acres in 1939. Oats occupied 12,297,600 acres, as against 12,789,900 acres in 1939; barley 4,341,500 acres, as against 4,347,400 acres; rye 1,034,900 acres, as against 1,101,800 acres, and flaxseed 406,400 acres as against 307,100 acres. For the remaining crops, the acreages for 1940 are estimated as follows, with the figures for 1939 within brackets: Peas 81,500 (76,000); beans 96,800 (73,200); buckwheat 325,700 (335,200); mixed grains 1,219,900 (1,218,100); corn for husking 186,000 (183,200); potatoes 545,000 (517,700); turnips, mangolds, etc. 186,400 (189,600); hay and clover 8,811,200 (8,836,600); alfalfa 1,031,700 (946,900); fodder corn 496,200 (494,800); sugar beets 78,100 (61,500). 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, 1940

The total numbers of farm live stock in Canada as in June last are estimated as follows, with the corresponding numbers for 1939 within brackets: Horses 2,857,610 (2,824,340); total cattle 8,565,300 (8,474,600); sheep 3,452,100 (3,365,800); hogs 5,881,800 (4,294,000); hens and chickens 60,201,300 (58,509,800); turkeys 2,508,300 (2,476,000); geese 802,600 (795,400); ducks 630,600 (624,000); total poultry 64,142,800 (62,405,200).

As compared with 1939, horses on farms increased by 33,270 and total cattle by 90,700. Sheep in 1940 increased by 86,300 and hogs showed a large increase of 1,587,800. Hens and chickens, turkeys, geese and ducks showed increases of 1,691,500, 32,300, 7,200 and 6,600 respectively, making an increase for all poultry of 1,737,600.

By provinces, horses show slight increases in Nova Scotia and Ontario, with larger increases in New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Prince Edward Island and Alberta show little change. Total cattle have increased in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, but declined in the Maritimes, Quebec and Manitoba. Numbers of sheep have increased in Quebec and all the western provinces. Hogs show a large increase everywhere. Increases are shown in total poultry for all provinces except Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Alberta where numbers have decreased.

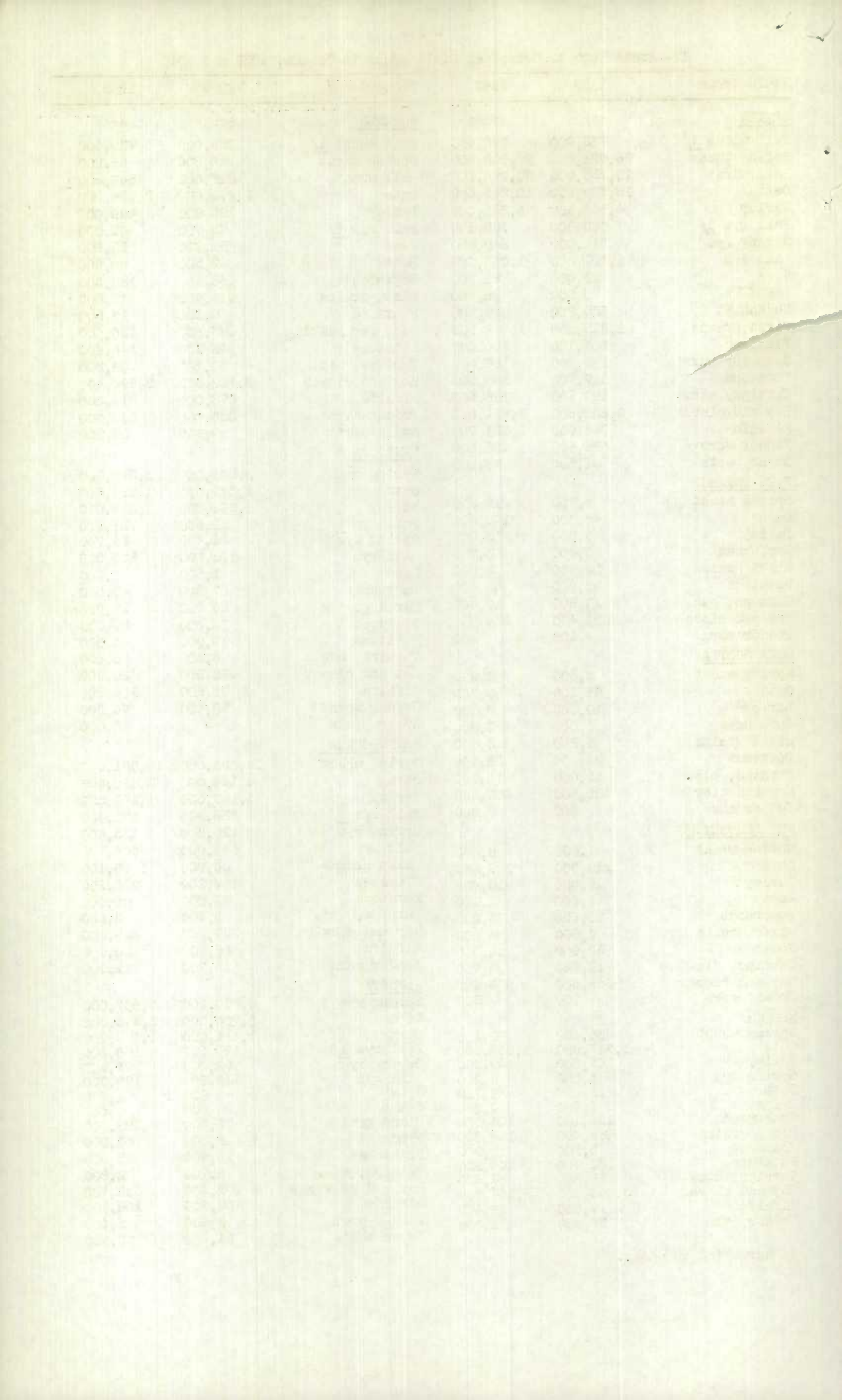




1.- Areas Sown to Principal Field Crops in Canada, 1939 and 1940

Field Crops	1939	1940	Field Crops	1939	1940
<u>CANADA</u>			<u>ONTARIO</u>		
	acres	acres		acres	acres
Fall wheat 1/	735,000	775,400	Fall wheat 1/	735,000	775,400
Spring wheat	26,021,500	27,950,800	Spring wheat	82,000	69,200
All wheat	26,756,500	28,726,200	All wheat	817,000	844,600
Oats	12,789,900	12,297,600	Oats	2,274,000	2,254,000
Barley	4,347,400	4,341,500	Barley	522,000	499,000
Fall rye 1/	890,800	785,600	Fall rye 1/	75,700	81,500
Spring rye	211,000	249,300	Peas	51,900	55,200
All rye	1,101,800	1,034,900	Beans	62,500	84,800
Peas	76,000	81,500	Buckwheat	168,400	182,500
Beans	73,200	96,800	Mixed grains	914,400	915,000
Buckwheat	335,200	325,700	Flaxseed	6,200	17,500
Mixed grains	1,218,100	1,219,900	Corn for husking	183,200	186,000
Flaxseed	307,100	406,400	Potatoes	142,100	146,800
Corn for husking	183,200	186,000	Turnips, etc.	98,300	98,300
Potatoes	517,700	545,000	Hay and clover	2,722,000	2,699,400
Turnips, etc.	189,600	186,400	Alfalfa	673,000	715,000
Hay and clover	8,836,600	8,811,200	Fodder corn	336,000	339,000
Alfalfa	946,900	1,031,700	Sugar beets	39,900	38,200
Fodder corn	494,800	496,200	<u>MANITOBA</u>		
Sugar beets	61,500	78,100	Spring wheat	3,201,000	3,512,000
<u>P.E. Island</u>			Oats	1,377,000	1,293,000
Spring wheat	9,700	12,500	Barley	1,344,000	1,256,000
Oats	145,300	142,800	Fall Rye 1/	151,800	132,600
Barley	9,000	13,000	Spring rye	26,400	26,700
Buckwheat	3,900	3,700	All rye	178,200	159,300
Mixed grains	36,800	43,000	Peas	1,600	1,700
Potatoes	37,000	42,400	Buckwheat	7,200	5,000
Turnips, etc.	10,800	10,800	Mixed grains	26,900	25,700
Hay and clover	226,400	236,900	Flaxseed	70,300	89,500
Fodder corn	400	400	Potatoes	36,000	34,300
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>			Turnips, etc.	6,500	5,600
Spring wheat	2,500	2,900	Hay and clover	470,600	420,900
Oats	91,100	90,700	Alfalfa	71,600	104,600
Barley	10,600	12,100	Fodder corn	72,400	74,200
Buckwheat	4,000	3,800	Sugar beets	-	16,000
Mixed grains	6,200	6,000	<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>		
Potatoes	21,400	22,900	Spring wheat	14,233,000	15,571,000
Turnips, etc.	12,000	11,900	Oats	4,144,000	3,880,000
Hay and clover	403,500	405,600	Barley	1,149,000	1,251,000
Fodder corn	600	800	Fall rye 1/	536,700	471,300
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>			Spring rye	110,300	135,400
Spring wheat	7,800	8,000	All rye	647,000	606,700
Oats	215,200	209,900	Mixed grains	33,900	29,100
Barley	17,000	18,600	Flaxseed	187,200	232,200
Beans	1,200	1,100	Potatoes	47,800	49,000
Buckwheat	29,600	26,200	Turnips, etc.	2,900	2,200
Mixed grains	3,800	4,000	Hay and clover	257,300	257,300
Potatoes	50,900	54,300	Alfalfa	28,900	30,000
Turnips, etc.	12,600	12,700	Fodder corn	18,200	11,200
Hay and clover	562,600	572,400	<u>ALBERTA</u>		
Fodder corn	900	800	Spring wheat	8,379,000	8,667,000
<u>QUEBEC</u>			Oats	2,706,000	2,645,000
Spring wheat	34,400	30,100	Barley	1,114,000	1,115,000
Oats	1,717,000	1,664,200	Fall rye 1/	126,600	100,200
Barley	167,800	159,500	Spring rye	62,300	76,800
Spring rye	6,600	6,200	All rye	188,900	177,000
Peas	18,500	19,700	Peas	900	1,200
Beans	7,700	9,200	Beans	800	600
Buckwheat	122,100	104,500	Mixed grains	23,200	28,900
Mixed grains	168,400	163,300	Flaxseed	40,000	51,000
Flaxseed	3,100	15,900	Potatoes	25,400	25,500
Potatoes	138,100	149,800	Turnips, etc.	2,700	2,800
Turnips, etc.	38,200	36,600	Hay and clover	392,200	398,700
Hay and clover	3,646,000	3,661,300	Alfalfa	103,300	108,700
Alfalfa	17,800	22,400	Fodder corn	3,400	2,400
Fodder corn	56,400	61,300	Sugar beets	21,600	23,900

1/ Harvested acreages.





1.- Areas Sown to Principal Field Crops in Canada, 1939 and 1940 (Concluded)

Field Crops	1939	1940	Field Crops	1939	1940
	acres	acres		acres	acres
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>			<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA (Con.)</u>		
Spring wheat	72,100	78,100	Flaxseed	300	300
Oats	120,300	118,000	Potatoes	19,000	20,000
Barley	14,000	17,300	Turnips, etc.	5,600	5,500
Spring rye	5,400	4,200	Hay and clover	156,000	158,700
Peas	3,100	3,700	Alfalfa	52,300	51,000
Beans	1,000	1,100	Fodder corn	6,500	6,100
Mixed grains	4,500	4,900			

II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1939 and 1940

Description	1939	1940	Description	1939	1940
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<u>CANADA</u>			<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Horses:</u>		
Stallions	24,740	24,410	Stallions	210	300
Mares	1,275,300	1,276,900	Mares	17,600	17,500
Geldings	1,123,200	1,134,500	Geldings	20,700	20,800
Colts and fillies	401,100	421,800	Colts and fillies	5,200	5,300
Total	2,824,340	2,857,610	Total	43,710	43,900
<u>Cattle:</u>			<u>Cattle:</u>		
Bulls	256,100	248,900	Bulls	6,200	5,800
Milch cows	3,873,500	3,894,700	Milch cows	118,300	114,400
Beef cows	529,800	546,500	Beef cows	8,300	8,100
Milk yearlings	926,100	885,500	Milk yearlings	30,200	27,300
Beef yearlings	306,100	292,300	Beef yearlings	7,200	6,100
Calves	1,936,800	2,007,300	Calves	45,200	43,000
Steers	646,200	690,100	Steers	24,600	24,500
Total	8,474,600	8,565,300	Total	240,000	229,200
Sheep	1,805,100	1,860,500	Sheep	84,100	83,900
Lambs	1,560,700	1,591,600	Lambs	59,600	59,600
Total	3,365,800	3,452,100	Total	143,700	143,500
<u>Hogs:</u>			<u>Hogs:</u>		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	1,120,500	1,447,700	Hogs, over 6 mos.	12,500	15,200
Hogs, under 6 mos.	3,173,500	4,434,100	Hogs, under 6 mos.	32,100	37,600
Total	4,294,000	5,881,800	Total	44,600	52,800
<u>Poultry:</u>			<u>Poultry:</u>		
Hens and chickens	58,509,800	60,201,300	Hens and chickens	1,226,000	1,307,700
Turkeys	2,476,000	2,508,300	Turkeys	17,500	17,800
Geese	795,400	802,600	Geese	8,400	7,400
Ducks	624,000	630,600	Ducks	4,200	2,900
Total	62,405,200	64,142,800	Total	1,256,100	1,335,800
<u>P. E. ISLAND</u>			<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Horses:</u>		
Stallions	160	150	Stallions	320	360
Mares	13,300	13,100	Mares	20,800	21,000
Geldings	11,300	11,400	Geldings	25,600	26,700
Colts and fillies	4,200	4,000	Colts and fillies	6,500	6,900
Total	28,960	28,650	Total	53,220	54,960
<u>Cattle:</u>			<u>Cattle:</u>		
Bulls	2,400	1,700	Bulls	9,400	8,800
Milch cows	46,400	44,400	Milch cows	114,300	113,100
Beef cows	5,600	5,100	Beef cows	8,500	7,000
Milk yearlings	12,200	10,800	Milk yearlings	29,600	26,200
Beef yearlings	4,600	4,100	Beef yearlings	5,700	4,200
Calves	20,500	20,300	Calves	45,200	46,100
Steers	7,900	7,400	Steers	8,200	8,700
Total	99,600	93,800	Total	220,900	214,100
Sheep	26,300	25,400	Sheep	63,600	61,900
Lambs	20,000	18,500	Lambs	44,000	45,100
Total	46,300	43,900	Total	107,600	107,000
<u>Hogs:</u>			<u>Hogs:</u>		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	9,800	10,200	Hogs, over 6 mos.	24,200	26,300
Hogs, under 6 mos.	38,300	43,000	Hogs, under 6 mos.	63,000	70,800
Total	48,100	53,200	Total	87,200	97,100
<u>Poultry:</u>			<u>Poultry:</u>		
Hens and chickens	828,500	806,100	Hens and chickens	1,285,400	1,226,900
Turkeys	11,900	16,700	Turkeys	36,500	29,700
Geese	20,400	21,300	Geese	12,800	12,300
Ducks	9,900	7,300	Ducks	5,500	4,800
Total	870,700	851,400	Total	1,340,200	1,273,700





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 II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1939 and 1940 (Cont'd.)

Description	1939	1940	Description	1939	1940
<u>QUEBEC</u>			<u>MANITOBA</u>		
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Horses:</u>		
Stallions	2,100	2,200	Stallions	3,400	1,900
Mares	151,300	156,100	Mares	141,700	142,100
Geldings	98,200	99,500	Geldings	117,600	122,600
Colts and fillies	45,500	46,900	Colts and fillies	32,000	34,100
Total	297,100	304,700	Foals	20,300	22,300
<u>Cattle:</u>			<u>Cattle:</u>		
Bulls	86,300	79,000	Bulls	21,000	19,500
Milch cows	1,001,700	1,028,600	Milch cows	365,800	350,400
Beef cows	42,100	45,900	Beef cows	44,100	49,600
Milk yearlings	253,700	220,400	Milk yearlings	86,600	82,900
Beef yearlings	26,900	20,200	Beef yearlings	19,900	20,800
Calves	373,100	362,900	Calves	187,600	190,300
Steers	32,900	37,900	Steers	62,000	59,200
Total	1,816,700	1,794,900	Total	787,000	772,700
Sheep	336,700	333,500	Sheep	115,400	114,600
Lambs	310,000	314,700	Lambs	114,600	119,400
Total	646,700	648,200	Total	230,000	234,000
<u>Hogs:</u>			<u>Hogs:</u>		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	188,700	237,800	Hogs, over 6 mos.	85,000	120,400
Hogs, under 6 mos.	555,300	699,100	Hogs, under 6 mos.	226,000	378,300
Total	744,000	936,900	Total	311,000	498,700
<u>Poultry:</u>			<u>Poultry:</u>		
Hens and chickens	7,871,000	8,407,200	Hens and chickens	5,278,000	5,640,000
Turkeys	152,900	133,900	Turkeys	551,000	580,000
Geese	52,900	52,100	Geese	78,000	80,000
Ducks	71,000	67,500	Ducks	44,000	51,000
Total	8,127,800	8,660,700	Total	5,951,000	6,351,000
<u>ONTARIO</u>			<u>SASLATCHEWAN</u>		
<u>Horses:</u>			<u>Horses:</u>		
Stallions	1,900	2,000	Stallions	8,100	8,400
Mares	269,100	269,100	Mares	351,700	352,500
Geldings	232,100	231,800	Geldings	325,400	328,200
Colts and fillies	56,300	57,000	Colts and fillies	114,900	124,500
Total	559,400	559,900	Total	800,100	813,600
<u>Cattle:</u>			<u>Cattle:</u>		
Bulls	59,600	59,700	Bulls	30,400	32,600
Milch cows	1,182,900	1,195,100	Milch cows	490,400	502,500
Beef cows	73,200	73,100	Beef cows	84,300	85,900
Milk yearlings	248,200	256,100	Milk yearlings	132,700	131,000
Beef yearlings	97,400	96,800	Beef yearlings	47,900	46,500
Calves	563,300	576,800	Calves	301,300	340,200
Steers	263,500	260,700	Steers	83,200	110,500
Total	2,488,100	2,518,300	Total	1,170,200	1,249,200
Sheep	430,300	415,100	Sheep	186,800	222,200
Lambs	416,600	404,400	Lambs	154,600	176,500
Total	846,900	819,500	Total	341,400	398,700
<u>Hogs:</u>			<u>Hogs:</u>		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	425,100	519,800	Hogs, over 6 mos.	119,800	174,000
Hogs, under 6 mos.	1,121,000	1,478,100	Hogs, under 6 mos.	350,200	617,000
Total	1,546,100	1,997,900	Total	470,000	791,000
<u>Poultry:</u>			<u>Poultry:</u>		
Hens and chickens	21,618,200	21,695,000	Hens and chickens	8,651,100	9,298,100
Turkeys	452,500	450,600	Turkeys	724,100	780,500
Geese	431,700	423,900	Geese	81,600	94,600
Ducks	339,100	333,700	Ducks	55,600	78,300
Total	22,841,500	22,901,200	Total	9,512,400	10,251,500





II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada, 1939 and 1940 (Concluded)

Description	1939	1940	Description	1939	1940
	No.	No.		No.	No.
<u>ALBERTA</u>			<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>		
Horses:			Horses:		
Stallions	8,000	8,500	Stallions	550	600
Mares	280,500	276,300	Mares	29,300	29,200
Geldings	262,700	262,800	Geldings	29,600	30,700
Colts and fillies	107,400	110,300	Colts and fillies	8,800	10,500
Total	658,600	657,900	Total	68,250	71,000
Cattle:			Cattle:		
Bulls	32,800	33,700	Bulls	8,000	8,100
Milch cows	429,200	416,800	Milch cows	124,500	129,400
Beef cows	213,800	222,600	Beef cows	49,900	49,200
Milk yearlings	103,800	100,600	Milk yearlings	29,100	30,200
Beef yearlings	78,000	74,800	Beef yearlings	18,500	18,800
Calves	348,400	369,400	Calves	52,200	58,300
Steers	131,400	148,000	Steers	32,500	33,200
Total	1,337,400	1,365,900	Total	314,700	327,200
Sheep	479,200	513,000	Sheep	82,700	90,900
Lambs	355,100	369,600	Lambs	86,200	83,800
Total	834,300	882,600	Total	168,900	174,700
Hogs:			Hogs:		
Hogs, over 6 mos.	242,400	327,900	Hogs, over 6 mos.	13,000	16,100
Hogs, under 6 mos.	750,800	1,043,200	Hogs, under 6 mos.	36,800	67,000
Total	993,200	1,371,100	Total	49,800	83,100
Poultry:			Poultry:		
Hens and chickens	7,068,000	7,103,000	Hens and chickens	4,683,600	4,719,300
Turkeys	495,000	442,900	Turkeys	54,600	56,200
Geese	100,000	101,800	Geese	9,600	9,200
Ducks	59,900	50,200	Ducks	34,800	34,900
Total	7,722,900	7,697,900	Total	4,782,600	4,819,600

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS OF THE INDIAN RESERVES, 1940

For the eighteenth successive year, returns of the areas sown to field crops and the numbers 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 1940, 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, 1937 - 1940

Crops	1937	1938	1939	1940
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Wheat	32,158	39,043	47,009	51,744
Oats	41,732	45,196	48,649	45,546
Barley	6,038	9,851	8,549	6,024
Rye	266	204	593	791
Peas	744	408	390	339
Beans	894	665	673	765
Buckwheat	432	501	505	508
Mixed grains	2,516	2,225	1,155	2,155
Corn for husking	1,298	1,185	1,300	1,082
Potatoes	6,181	5,899	5,169	5,158
Turnips, etc.	1,259	1,030	917	1,133
Land for hay	32,556	29,258	30,199	19,964
Alfalfa	7,297	6,343	6,198	5,446
Grain hay	788	1,163	1,330	1,309
Pasture	58,232	34,497	39,741	36,145
Fodder corn	681	750	1,128	754

II.- Numbers of Farm Live Stock on Indian Reserves, 1937 - 1940

	No.	No.	No.	No.
Horses	27,104	28,406	27,157	26,577
Cattle	50,293	46,508	42,004	42,462
Sheep	2,090	2,157	2,020	2,256
Hogs	5,612	4,722	4,393	4,252
Poultry	105,164	91,157	102,820	99,283

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