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OTTAWA - September 22, 1948 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Federal and Provincial Department's of Agriculture issues to-day a report on the acreage, production and value of hops in Canada in 1948.

H O P S

The first estimate of production of hops this year indicates that the crop is 31% smaller than that of a year ago. The crop is currently estimated at 1,721,000 lb. compared with 2,491,000 lb. harvested in 1947. Reduced acreages are reported in Ontario and British Columbia while in Quebec the area remained unchanged. In Ontario and Quebec the average yield is somewhat better but in British Columbia the yield per acre is smaller than that of last season.

Production in 1948, by provinces, with comparable data for 1947 in brackets is: Quebec, 33,000 lb. (30,000 lb.); Ontario 88,000 lb. (141,000 lb.); British Columbia, 1,600,000 lb. (2,320,000 lb.).

The preliminary estimates of the total value of the crop also show a decline from last season. The average price remains practically unchanged at 80 cents per lb. with the result that the reduced crop is valued at \$1,372,000 or \$584,000 less than the value of the 1947 harvest.

TABLE 1. - Area of Hops in Canada, by Provinces, 1946-1948

Province	1946	1947	1948
	acres	acres	acres
Quebec	75	50	50
Ontario	350	257	130
British Columbia	1,581	1,619	1,600
CANADA	2,006	1,926	1,780

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TABLE 2. - Area, Production and Value of Hops in Canada,
by Provinces, 1948 1/

Province	Area	Yield per Acre	Total Production	Price per Pound	Total Value
	acres	lb.	lb.	\$	\$
Quebec	50	660	33,000	.78	26,000
Ontario	130	675	88,000	.75	66,000
British Columbia	1,600	1,000	1,600,000	.80	1,280,000
CANADA	1,780	967	1,721,000	.80	1,372,000

TABLE 3. - Area, Production and Value of Hops in Canada,
by Provinces, 1947

Province	Area	Yield per Acre	Total Production	Price per Pound	Total Value
	acres	lb.	lb.	\$	\$
Quebec	50	600	30,000	.70	21,000
Ontario	257	549	141,000	.72	102,000
British Columbia	1,619	1,433	2,320,000	.79	1,833,000
CANADA	1,926	1,293	2,491,000	.79	1,956,000

1/ Subject to revision.