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REPORT ON LIVE STOCK SURVEYS  
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The 1955 fall pig crop is expected to be about 14 per cent above the crop in the fall of 1954, according to estimates based on farmers' reports at September 1. This reflects the prospect of 584,000 sows farrowing between June 1 and November 30 this year compared to 510,000 sows farrowed between those dates in 1954. It is estimated that 278,000 sows farrowed during the June to August period, leaving 306,000 to farrow between September 1 and November 30. The expected increase amounts to 19 per cent in Eastern Canada and 8 per cent in the West.

Breeding and farrowing intentions reported by farmers on the June 1 semi-annual live-stock survey had indicated that farrowings were expected to increase 13 per cent over 1954 fall farrowings. The present estimate represents a small upward revision of this prospect.

The expected increase is general across Canada, amounting to 19 per cent in Eastern Canada and 8 per cent in the West. The June survey had pointed to a probable 18 per cent increase in the East and 7 per cent in the West.

The increase in Quebec appears to have accelerated and is now estimated at 25 per cent instead of 12 per cent. On the other hand, a prospective increase of only 16 per cent is in view on Ontario farms compared to the previous indication of a 22 per cent rise.

In Western Canada, Manitoba reports now indicate an increase of 7 per cent over last fall, instead of the 4 per cent rise estimated from the June reports. Saskatchewan producers expect an increase of 18 per cent. In June, the expectations were for an 8 per cent rise. Alberta farmers indicate an increase of only 5 per cent compared to their prospects of a 7 per cent rise indicated in June.

In the event that these estimates are fully realized, the fall pig-crop should be about 4,500,000 pigs compared to 3,970,000 in 1954.

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SOWS FARROWED AND TO FARROW FOR FALL PIG CROP  
June 1 - November 30, 1954 and June 1 - November 30, 1955

Province	Six Months (June-Nov.)			Three Months (June-Aug.)			Three Months (Sept.-Nov.)			Six Months (June-Nov.)	
	Sows Farrowed 1954 <sup>1/</sup>	Sows to Farrow 1955 <sup>2/</sup>	1955 as % of 1954	Sows Farrowed 1954 <sup>3/</sup>	Sows Farrowed 1955 <sup>4/</sup>	1955 as % of 1954	Sows Farrowed 1954 <sup>2/</sup>	Sows to Farrow 1955 <sup>4/</sup>	1955 as % of 1954	Farrowed and to Farrow 1955 <sup>5/</sup>	1955 as % of 1954
	'000	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	%
Maritime Provinces <sup>7/</sup>	17.3	19.0	110	7.9	8.5	108	9.4	10.0	106	18.5	107
Quebec	112.0	125.0	112	53.7	67.0	125	58.3	73.0	125	140.0	125
Ontario	172.0	210.0	122	85.1	93.0	109	86.9	106.0	122	199.0	116
<b>EASTERN CANADA<sup>7/</sup></b>	<b>301.3</b>	<b>354.0</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>146.7</b>	<b>168.5</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>154.6</b>	<b>189.0</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>357.5</b>	<b>119</b>
Manitoba	29.4	30.6	104	17.1	17.5	102	12.3	14.0	114	31.5	107
Saskatchewan	40.0	43.0	108	21.5	26.0	121	18.5	21.0	114	47.0	118
Alberta	135.0	144.0	107	67.9	63.5	94	67.1	78.5	117	142.0	105
British Columbia	4.4	5.8	132	2.5	2.5	100	1.9	3.5	184	6.0	136
<b>WESTERN CANADA</b>	<b>208.8</b>	<b>223.4</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>109.5</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>99.8</b>	<b>117.0</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>226.5</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>TOTALS, CANADA<sup>7/</sup></b>	<b>510.1</b>	<b>577.4</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>255.7</b>	<b>278.0</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>254.4</b>	<b>306.0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>584.0</b>	<b>114</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Estimates based on Live Stock Survey of December 1, 1954.

<sup>2/</sup> Estimates based on Intentions reported in Live Stock Survey of June 1, 1955.

<sup>3/</sup> Estimates, based on Quarterly Pig Survey of Sept. 1, 1954, revised.

<sup>4/</sup> Estimates based on Quarterly Pig Survey of Sept. 1, 1955.

<sup>5/</sup> Estimates, based on Quarterly Pig Survey of Dec. 1, 1954, revised.

<sup>6/</sup> Sum of estimates of June - August farrowings and Sept. - Nov. expected farrowings; revisions of estimates foot-noted <sup>2/</sup>.

<sup>7/</sup> Newfoundland not included.