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## REPORT ON LIVESTOCK SURVEYS HOGS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1963

The number of hogs on farms in Canada<sup>1/</sup> at September 1, 1963 is estimated at 5,520,000, an increase of 4 per cent from the September 1, 1962 total of 5,310,000. All provinces except Nova Scotia showed an increase in the number of hogs on farms compared to year-earlier totals. In the West, where numbers had declined drastically in the fall 1961 and the first half 1962, the increase of 6 per cent indicates a continuing recovery. The East had a more moderate gain of almost 3 per cent.

The number of sows farrowed in Canada during the summer quarter (June 1 to August 31) was 16 per cent higher than in the corresponding 1962 quarter. Increases occurred in all provinces but were more pronounced in the West with an increase of 23 per cent compared to 11 per cent in Eastern Canada.

Farmers' reports of fall quarter farrowings (September 1 to November 30) indicate that these may be as much as 21 per cent above the 1962 fall farrowings. The increase is greatest in the West where it is 36 per cent as compared with 15 per cent in the East.

At June 1 farmers' reports had shown that for Canada as a whole farrowings from June 1 to November 30, 1963, might total 553,000 or about 16 per cent more than in the corresponding 1962 period. The reports in the September survey reflect a slight upward revision of this figure. Prospective farrowings are now reported in the sample to be 18 per cent higher than in the equivalent period last year. In the West they may be as much as 29 per cent above last year compared to 25 per cent as indicated at June 1. In the East the indicated increase has risen from 11 to 13 per cent.

<sup>1/</sup> Not including Newfoundland.

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Table 1.- Hogs: Number on Farms, by Age Group and Province, at September 1, 1962 and 1963

Prov.	September 1, 1962			September 1, 1963			1963 Total as % of 1962
	6 months or over	Under 6 months	Total	6 months or over	Under 6 months	Total	
- thousand head -							%
P.E.I.	10.0	42.0	52.0	10.0	43.0	53.0	102
N.S.	9.0	49.0	58.0	10.0	47.0	57.0	98
N.B.	8.0	37.0	45.0	9.0	38.0	47.0	104
Que.	270.0	800.0	1,070.0	270.0	800.0	1,070.0	100
Ont.	390.0	1,560.0	1,950.0	420.0	1,610.0	2,030.0	104
EAST	687.0	2,488.0	3,175.0	719.0	2,538.0	3,257.0	103
Man.	75.0	300.0	375.0	103.0	340.0	443.0	118
Sask.	110.0	345.0	455.0	128.0	362.0	490.0	108
Alta.	330.0	935.0	1,265.0	330.0	960.0	1,290.0	102
B.C.	10.0	30.0	40.0	10.0	30.0	40.0	100
WEST	525.0	1,610.0	2,135.0	571.0	1,692.0	2,263.0	106
CANADA	1,212.0	4,098.0	5,310.0	1,290.0	4,230.0	5,520.0	104

Table 2.- Sows Farrowed June to August 1962 and 1963; Sows Farrowed September to November 1962 and Sows Expected to Farrow September to November 1963

Prov.	JUNE, JULY & AUGUST			SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER & NOVEMBER			JUNE to NOV.
	Farrowed <sup>1/</sup> 1962	Farrowed 1963	1963 as % of 1962	Farrowed 1962	Expected to Farrow 1963	1963 as % of 1962	1963 as % of 1962
- thousands -			%	- thousands -			%
Maritimes	7.2	8.5	118	7.8	9.5	123	120
Que.	60.0	70.0	117	50.0	60.0	120	118
Ont.	93.0	100.0	108	97.0	108.0	111	109
EAST	160.2	178.5	111	154.8	177.5	115	113
Man.	15.6	21.0	135	14.4	20.0	139	137
Sask.	18.0	24.0	133	11.0	18.0	164	145
Alta.	55.0	64.0	116	45.0	58.0	129	122
B.C.	1.6	2.0	125	1.6	2.0	125	125
WEST	90.2	111.0	123	72.0	98.0	136	129
CANADA	250.4	289.5	116	226.8	275.5	121	118

<sup>1/</sup> Revised.