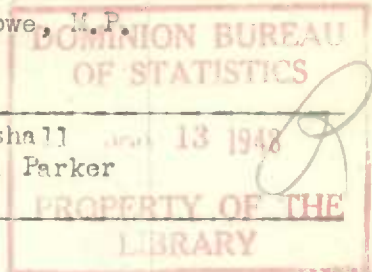


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HONEY CROP REPORT

Ottawa, March 12, 1948 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture issues to-day a report on production and value of Honey in Canada in 1947.

SUMMARY

The revised estimate of production of honey in Canada in 1947 of 37,078,000 pounds represents a 60 per cent increase over the unusually small crop of 23,185,000 pounds produced in 1946. Revised estimates of production in 1947, by provinces, with final estimates for 1946 in brackets, are as follows: Prince Edward Island 57,000 pounds (15,000 pounds); Nova Scotia 112,000 pounds (65,000 pounds); New Brunswick 142,000 pounds (109,000 pounds); Quebec 5,899,000 pounds (1,900,000 pounds); Ontario 12,290,000 pounds (5,685,000 pounds); Manitoba 5,180,000 pounds (4,810,000 pounds); Saskatchewan 6,232,000 pounds (3,953,000 pounds); Alberta 6,507,000 pounds (6,192,000 pounds); British Columbia 1,159,000 pounds (456,000 pounds). The average price per pound was well above the 1946 level at 25 cents compared with 18 cents, and the return to the growers was at an all time high of \$9,160,000. The value of the crop in 1946 was estimated at \$4,149,000. The value of production of both honey and wax in 1947, with comparable data for 1946, is as follows: Prince Edward Island \$13,000 (\$3,000); Nova Scotia \$31,000 (\$13,000); New Brunswick \$46,000 (\$28,000); Quebec \$1,495,000 (\$435,000); Ontario \$3,022,000 (\$1,064,000); Manitoba \$1,487,000 (\$900,000); Saskatchewan \$1,584,000 (\$735,000); Alberta \$1,387,000 (1,030,000); British Columbia \$295,000 (\$99,000).

TABLE 1- Production and Value of Honey in Canada, 1940 to 1947 and the five-year (1935-39) average

	Bee-keepers No.	Colonies No.	Average Production per Hive lb.	Total Production 000 lb.	Average Price Paid to Producers cents per lb.	Total Value of Honey \$ 000
1935-39 Average	26,900	382,800	93	35,746	8	2,955
1940	27,200	398,500	71	28,215	10	2,914
1941	27,400	409,700	81	33,221	11	3,756
1942	28,400	427,000	66	28,049	14	3,843
1943	34,200	449,600	88	39,492	15	6,095
1944	40,700	508,500	71	36,264	15	5,534
1945	43,300	522,500	63	33,020	16	5,439
1946	43,200	541,800	43	23,185	18	4,149
1947	39,200	588,700	63	37,078	25	9,160

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TABLE 2- Number of Beekeepers, Colonies, Production and Value of Honey in Canada, by Provinces in 1947 and 1946

Province and Year	Bee-Keepers	Colonies	HONEY			Value of		
			Production per Colony	Total Production	Price per Pound	Total Value	Honey and Wax	
	No.	No.	lb.	lb.	cents	\$	\$	
Canada	1947	39,200	588,700	63	37,078,000	25	9,160,000	9,360,000
	1946a/	43,200	541,800	43	23,185,000	18	4,149,000	4,307,000
P.E.I.	1947	120	1,000	57	57,000	23	13,000	13,000
	1946	150	750	20	15,000	20	3,000	3,000
N.S.	1947	400	2,500	45	112,000	27	30,000	31,000
	1946	450	1,550	42	65,000	20	13,000	13,000
N.B.	1947	450	2,900	49	142,000	32	45,000	46,000
	1946	480	2,180	50	109,000	25	27,000	28,000
Quebec	1947	5,220	81,800	66	5,399,000	27	1,458,000	1,495,000
	1946	6,000	95,000	20	1,900,000	22	418,000	435,000
Ont.	1947	5,460	261,500	47	12,290,000	24	2,950,000	3,022,000
	1946	6,090	227,400	25	5,685,000	18	1,023,000	1,064,000
Man.	1947	4,500	70,000	74	5,180,000	28	1,450,000	1,487,000
	1946	4,500	65,000	74	4,810,000	18	866,000	900,000
Sask.	1947	11,000	74,600	84	6,232,000	25	1,558,000	1,584,000
	1946	12,020	65,880	60	3,953,000	18	712,000	735,000
Alta.	1947	9,560	77,600	84	6,507,000	21	1,366,000	1,387,000
	1946	11,000	72,000	86	6,192,000	16	991,000	1,030,000
B.C.	1947	2,500	16,800	69	1,150,000	25	290,000	295,000
	1946a/	2,400	12,000	38	456,000	21	96,000	99,000

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