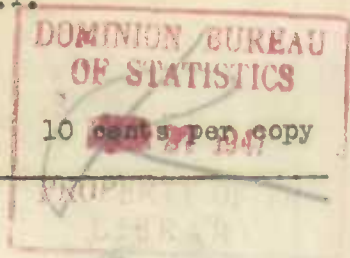


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HONEY CROP REPORT

Ottawa, August 25, 1947 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture issues today preliminary estimates of honey production in Canada in 1947.

SUMMARY

According to a survey recently completed, 41,862,000 pounds of honey will be produced in Canada this season. This estimate includes both light and dark honey and is based on the condition of the colonies during the second and third weeks of August. Much larger crops than in 1946 are expected in all Provinces but the greatest improvement is shown in Eastern Canada. Last season, due to unfavourable weather, especially in Ontario and Quebec, the crop was the smallest in a good many years. Early reports this season were not encouraging, particularly in view of the late arrival of many of the package bees from the Southern United States. As the season progressed, conditions improved and production by Province is now estimated as follows: - Prince Edward Island 78,000 lb; Nova Scotia 152,000 lb; New Brunswick 226,000 lb; Quebec 6,124,000 lb; Ontario 13,598,000 lb; Manitoba 7,732,000 lb; Saskatchewan 5,802,000; Alberta 6,820,000 lb; British Columbia 1,330,000.

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

	Bee	Colonies	Average	Total
	Keepers		Production per Colony	Production
	No.	No.	lb.	lb.
1935-39 Average	26,900	382,800	93	35,746,000
1940	27,200	398,500	71	28,215,000
1941	27,400	409,700	81	33,221,000
1942	28,400	427,000	66	28,049,000
1943	34,200	449,600	88	39,492,000
1944	40,700	508,500	71	36,264,000
1945	43,300	522,500	63	33,020,000
1946	45,400	548,100	44	23,975,000
1947	34,950	605,100	69	41,862,000

TABLE 2 - Numbers of Beekeepers, Colonies and Production of Honey in Canada in 1947 a/ and final estimates for 1946

Province and Year	Beekeepers	Colonies	Production per Colony	Total Production
	No.	No.	lb.	lb.
Canada1947	34,950	605,100	69	41,862,000
.....1946	45,400	548,100	44	23,975,000
Prince Edward Island ...1947	120	1,000	78	78,000
.....1946	150	750	20	15,000
Nova Scotia1947	400	2,500	61	152,000
.....1946	450	1,550	42	65,000
New Brunswick1947	450	2,900	78	226,000
.....1946	480	2,175	50	109,000
Quebec1947	6,300	113,400	54	6,124,000
.....1946	6,000	95,000	20	1,900,000

TABLE 2 (cont'd)

Province and Year	Beekeepers	Colonies	Production per Colony	Total Production
	No.	No.	lb.	lb.
Ontario1947	5,460	261,500	52	13,598,000
.....1946	6,090	227,400	25	5,685,000
Manitoba1947	3,590	78,900	98	7,732,000
.....1946	4,600	65,000	74	4,810,000
Saskatchewan1947	8,520	59,200	98	5,802,000
.....1946	12,020	65,880	60	3,953,000
Alberta1947	7,610	68,200	100	6,820,000
.....1946	11,000	72,000	86	6,192,000
British Columbia1947	2,500	17,500	76	1,330,000
.....1946	4,570	18,320	68	1,246,000

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Year	Population	Population	Population	Population
1951	21	21	21	21
1952	22	22	22	22
1953	23	23	23	23
1954	24	24	24	24
1955	25	25	25	25
1956	26	26	26	26
1957	27	27	27	27
1958	28	28	28	28
1959	29	29	29	29
1960	30	30	30	30