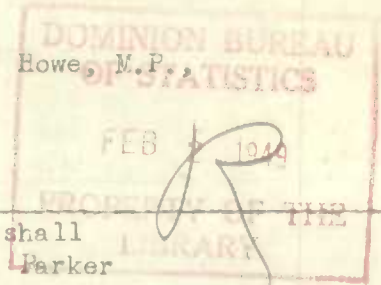


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HONEY CROP REPORT

Ottawa, February 1, 1949 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture issues to-day the final estimate of honey production in Canada in 1948.

SUMMARY

The final estimate of the 1948 honey crop sets production at 45,145,000 lb. This represents an increase of 22 per cent over the 1947 crop when 37,078,000 lb. were harvested. With the exception of Quebec and British Columbia, all provinces show increases over last year. Production in 1948, by provinces, with comparable data for 1947 in brackets is as follows: Prince Edward Island 64,000 lb., (57,000 lb.); Nova Scotia 125,000 lb., (112,000 lb.); New Brunswick 200,000 lb., (142,000 lb.); Quebec 4,831,000 lb., (5,399,000 lb.); Ontario 15,736,000 lb., (12,290,000 lb.); Manitoba 6,525,000 lb., (5,180,000 lb.); Saskatchewan 6,492,000 lb., (6,232,000 lb.); Alberta 10,254,000 lb., (6,507,000 lb.); British Columbia 918,000 lb., (1,159,000 lb.).

Average prices received by producers during November and December ranged from 20 cents a pound in Manitoba to 33 cents a pound in New Brunswick. These prices do not include sales made through co-operatives as only initial payments had been received by producers. Average prices per pound for sales other than those made through co-operatives were: Prince Edward Island 22 cents; Nova Scotia 30 cents; New Brunswick 33 cents; Quebec 24 cents; Ontario 23 cents; Manitoba 20 cents; Saskatchewan 22 cents; Alberta 21 cents and British Columbia 25 cents. Average prices per pound for all honey sold during the previous season were: Prince Edward Island 23 cents; Nova Scotia 27 cents; New Brunswick 32 cents; Quebec 27 cents; Ontario 24 cents; Manitoba 28 cents; Saskatchewan 25 cents; Alberta 21 cents and British Columbia 25 cents.

TABLE 1. - Production of Honey in Canada 1940 to 1948
and the Five-year (1935-39) Average

	Beekeepers	Colonies	Average Production per Colony	Total Production
	no.	no.	lb.	'000 lb.
1935-39 Average	26,900	382,800	93	35,746
1940	27,200	398,500	71	28,215
1941	27,400	409,700	81	33,221
1942	28,400	427,000	66	28,049
1943	34,200	449,600	88	39,492
1944	40,700	508,500	71	36,264
1945	43,300	522,500	63	33,020
1946	43,200	541,800	43	23,185
1947	39,200	588,700	63	37,078
1948	32,100	539,800	79	45,145

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TABLE 2 - Number of Beekeepers, Colonies and Production of Honey in Canada by Provinces 1946 to 1948

Province and Year	Bee-keepers no.	Colonies no.	HONEY		
			Production per Colony lb.	Total Production lb.	
Canada	1948	32,100	569,800	79	45,145,000
	1947	33,200	588,700	63	37,078,000
	1946	43,200	541,800	43	23,185,000
P. E. I.	1948	110	700	91	64,000
	1947	120	1,000	57	57,000
	1946	150	750	20	15,000
N. S.	1948	380	2,200	57	125,000
	1947	400	2,500	45	112,000
	1946	450	1,550	42	65,000
N. B.	1948	520	3,000	67	200,000
	1947	450	2,900	49	142,000
	1946	480	2,180	50	109,000
Quebec	1948	4,970	34,800	57	4,831,000
	1947	5,220	31,800	66	5,399,000
	1946	6,000	95,000	20	1,900,000
Ontario	1948	5,060	237,400	66	15,736,000
	1947	5,460	261,500	47	12,290,000
	1946	6,090	227,400	25	5,685,000
Manitoba	1948	3,420	75,000	87	6,525,000
	1947	4,500	70,000	74	5,180,000
	1946	4,600	65,000	74	4,810,000
Sask.	1948	8,400	63,200	103	6,492,000
	1947	11,000	74,600	84	6,232,000
	1946	12,020	65,880	60	3,953,000
Alta.	1948	6,600	82,200	125	10,254,000
	1947	9,560	77,600	84	6,507,000
	1946	11,000	72,000	86	6,192,000
B. C.	1948	2,640	21,300	43	918,000
	1947	2,500	16,800	69	1,159,000
	1946	2,400	12,000	38	456,000