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HONEY PRODUCTION - 1950

FINAL ESTIMATES

The final estimate of production of honey in Canada in 1950 sets the crop at 28,351,000 pounds. This represents a decrease of 10 per cent since 1949 when the crop was estimated at 31,481,000 pounds. Production in 1950, by provinces, with comparable data for 1949 in brackets is as follows: Prince Edward Island 46,000 pounds (63,000 pounds); Nova Scotia 81,000 lb. (103,000 lb.); New Brunswick 68,000 lb. (140,000 lb.); Quebec 3,041,000 lb. (3,709,000 lb.); Ontario 8,350,000 lb. (9,086,000 lb.); Manitoba 5,891,000 lb. (5,586,000 lb.); Saskatchewan 4,881,000 lb. (6,000,000 lb.); Alberta 4,851,000 1b. (5,830,000 lb.); British Columbia 1,142,000 lb. (964,000 lb.). The total value of the crop shows a slight increase since 1949. Production in 1950 is valued at \$4,282,000 compared with \$4,200,000. The average price per pound paid to the growers is 2 cents higher in 1950 at 15 cents a pound. The value of production in 1950, by provinces, with comparable data for 1949 in brackets is as follows: Prince Edward Island \$9,000 (\$13,000); Nova Scotia \$19,000 (\$28,000); New Brunswick \$19,000 (\$43,000); Quebec \$639,000 (\$742,000); Ontario \$1,336,000 (\$1,272,000); Manitoba \$766,000 (\$726,000); Saskutchewan \$635,000 (\$600,000); Alberta \$631,000 (\$583,000); British Columbia \$228,000 (\$193,000).

TABLE 1.- PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF HONEY IN CANADA, 1948 TO 1950

Year	Bee- keepers	Colonies	Average Production per Colony	Total Production	Average Price per Pound	Total Value
	no.	no.	lb.	000 lb.	\$	\$1000
19 48 19 49 1/	32,100 25,870	569,800 473,450	79 66	45,145 31,481	.21	9,336
1950	22,180	430,040	66	28,351	.15	4,282

^{1/} Revised.

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TABLE 2.- NUMBER OF BEEKEEPERS, COLONIES AND VALUE OF HONEY IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1949 AND 1950

			Colonies	HONEY				Value
Province and Year		Bee- keepers		Average Production per Colony	Total Production	Average Price per Pound	Total Value	
		no.	no.	lb.	1000 lb.	\$	\$1000	\$1000
P.E.I.	1949 1950	140 140	750 74 0	84 61	. 63 46	.20	13 9	13 9
N. S.	1949 1950	400 360	2,400	43 44	103 81	•27 •24	28 19	29 20
N. B.	1949 1950	5 60 420	3,600 2,500	39 27	140 68	•31 •28	43 19	44
Que.	1949 1950	4,780 4,180	84,300 72,400	44 42	3,709 3,041	.20	7 42 639	766 659
Ont.	1949 1950	5,010 4,630	217,600 <u>1</u> 201,600	42 <u>1/</u>	9,086 1/ 8,350	.14 1/	1,272	1/1,329
lan.	1949 1950	2,350 1,740	49,000 45,000	114 131	5,586 5,891	•13 •13	726 766	7 5 7 799
Sask.	1949 1950	5,830 4,470	46,200 41,400	130 118	6,000 4,881	.10 .13	600 635	635 660
lta.	1949 1950	4,800 4,150	55,000 49,000	106 99	5,830 4,851	.10	583 631	614 655
3. C.	1949 1950	2,000	14,600 15,600	66 73	964 1,142	.20	193 228	199 235
GÁNADA	1949 1950	25,870 22,180	473,450	66 66	31,481 28,351	•13 •15	4,200	4,386

^{1/} Revised.