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WOOL PRODUCTION AND SUPPLY

1964

Wool production in Canada* in 1964, estimated at 6,346,000 pounds, was 6.7 per cent less than in 1963. The farm output of shorn wool declined to 5,065,000 pounds from 5,259,000 pounds while pulled wool recovery dropped to 1,281,000 pounds in 1964 from 1,553,000 pounds in 1963.

Imports of wool amounted to 63,044,000 pounds, greasy basis. This was 5.4 per cent greater than 1963 imports and the largest annual total imported since 1951. Exports decreased to 3,223,000 pounds from 4,661,000 in 1963.

The preliminary estimate of the farm value of shorn wool production in 1964 is \$2,586,000. This includes deficiency payments made to producers under the provisions of the Agricultural Stabilization Act. The deficiency payment on qualifying grades of wool was 12.3 cents per pound on 1964 marketings compared with 14.3 cents per pound in 1963. Average farm value, not including deficiency payments, increased to 40.8 from 38.7 cents per pound for the 1963 clip.

Table 1. Production, Exports, Imports and Disappearance of Wool in Canada, 1956-1964 with Pre-war and Post-war 5-year Averages - Greasy Basis

	Production			Exports	Imports(1)	Domestic Disappearance(2)
	Shorn	Pulled	Total			
1935-39 Av.	12,243	3,779	16,022	6,580	52,822	62,264
1946-50 Av.	8,378	3,122	11,500	4,938	85,616	92,178
1951-55 Av.	6,133	1,501	7,634	3,160	54,956	59,430
1956	5,865	1,707	7,872	3,594	57,239	61,517
1957	5,961	1,825	7,786	3,917	47,331	51,200
1958	6,107	1,279	7,386	4,002	42,209	45,593
1959	6,256	1,487	7,743	5,002	51,492	54,233
1960	6,370	1,387	7,757	3,678	49,502	53,581
1961	6,169	1,287	7,456	5,067	54,430	56,819
1962	5,808	1,361	7,169	3,972	54,308	57,505
1963	5,259	1,553	6,812	4,661	59,805	61,956
1964	5,065	1,281	6,346	3,223	63,044	66,167

* Not including Newfoundland.

(1) Excluding re-exports.

(2) Not adjusted for stock changes.

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Table 2. Estimated Production, Farm Value and Disposition of Shorn Wool in Canada(1), by Province, 1963 and 1964
(Greasy Basis)

Province	Shorn Wool Production	Average Farm Price per pound	Farm Value without Deficiency Payment	Deficiency(2) Payment	Total Farm Value Including Deficiency Payment	Quantity Sold	Quantity used on Farms
	'000 lb.	cents	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
<u>1963</u>							
Prince Ed. Is.	66	39.5	26	9	35	62	4
Nova Scotia	162	39.5	64	22	86	141	21
New Brunswick	138	39.5	55	21	76	119	19
Quebec	546	40.0	218	76	294	442	104
Ontario	1,174	40.0	470	157	627	1,168	6
Manitoba	236	37.0	87	28	115	227	9
Saskatchewan	648	38.0	246	89	335	634	14
Alberta	1,925	38.0	732	246	978	1,915	10
Br. Columbia	364	38.0	138	44	182	359	5
C A N A D A	5,259	38.7	2,036	692	2,728	5,067	192
<u>1964</u>							
Prince Ed. Is.	58	44.0	26	7	33	54	4
Nova Scotia	150	44.0	66	17	83	135	15
New Brunswick	112	44.0	49	15	64	99	13
Quebec	510	43.5	222	56	278	423	87
Ontario	1,139	43.5	495	124	619	1,137	2
Manitoba	211	39.0	82	22	104	206	5
Saskatchewan	644	39.0	251	70	321	631	13
Alberta	1,882	39.0	734	176	910	1,873	9
Br. Columbia	359	39.0	140	34	174	355	4
C A N A D A	5,065	40.8	2,065	521	2,586	4,913	152

(1) Not including Newfoundland.

(2) Payment to producers, under Agricultural Stabilization Act, of 14.3 cents per lb. on the 1963 clip and 12.3 cents per lb. on the 1964 clip for qualifying grades of wool. Totals for 1964 are for payments made to March 31, 1965.

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