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Ottawa, May 11, 1937.-Many requests have been made for information as to the proportion of various agricultural commodities produced in Canada which enter into export trade. In response to these requests data have been prepared to show the exports, imports and apparent consumption of agricultural commodities as percentages of Canadian production for the year 1935.

RELATIONSHIP OF EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND APPARENT CONSUMPTION OF SPECIFIED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES TO CANADIAN PRODUCTION

Summary

Exports of Canadian farm products were approximately 22 per cent of the total domestic production of agricultural commodities for 1935. Imports of farm products such as are grown in Canada amounted to one per cent of the domestic production for the same year. Apparent consumption of these commodities amounted to 85 per cent of the Canadian production. The consumption figures have been adjusted for changes in stocks during the year.

Exports of all field crops were 33 per cent of production, meats and meat animals 10 per cent, dairy products 6 per cent and poultry for meat less than 2 per cent. Imports of field crops were 10 per cent of production, meats and meat animals less than one per cent, with negligible proportions in the cases of dairy products and poultry. Apparent Canadian consumption of field crops was 78 per cent of production, of meats 91 per cent, of dairy products 94 and of poultry 98 per cent.

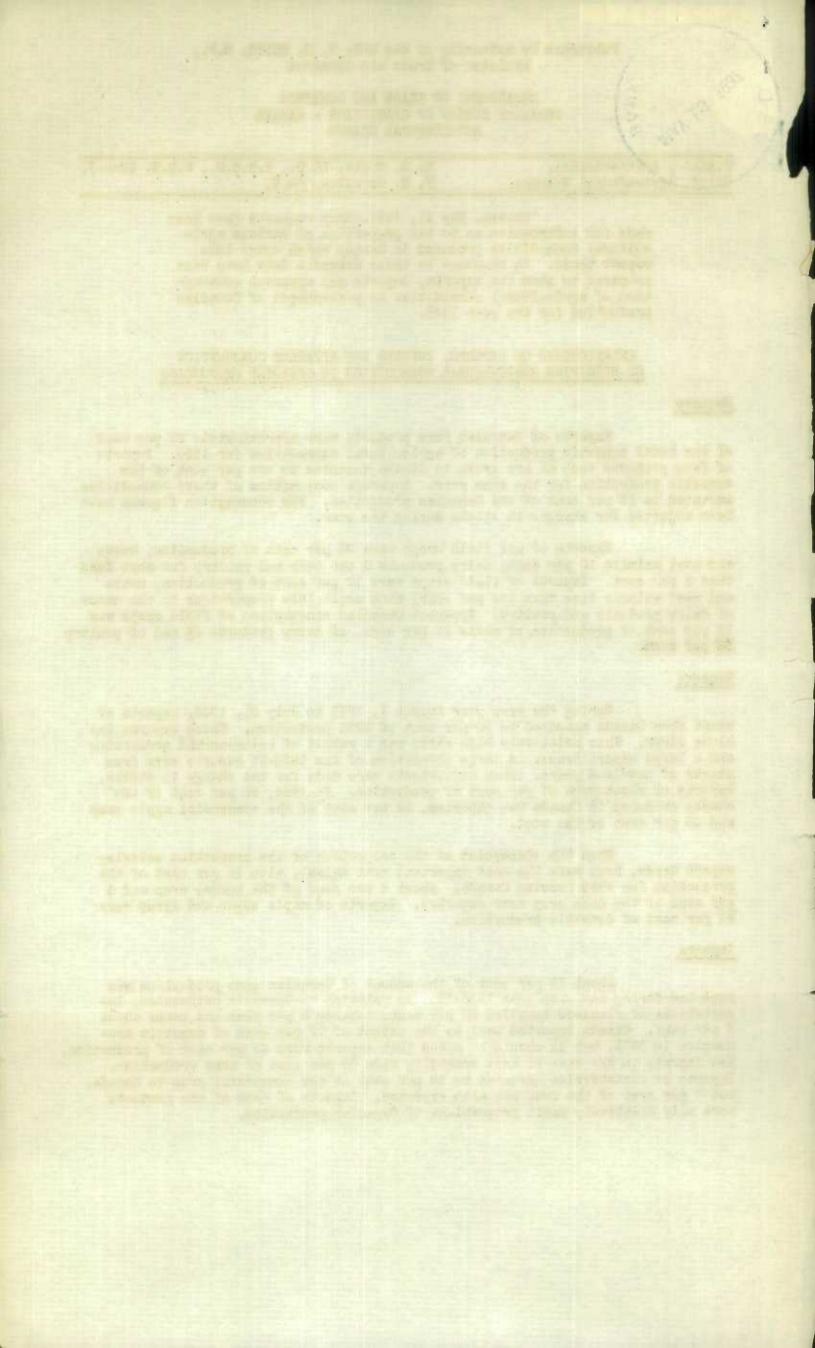
Exports

During the crop year August 1, 1935 to July 31, 1936, exports of wheat from Canada amounted to 90 per cent of 1935 production. These exports include flour. This relatively high ratio was a result of below-normal production and a large export trade. A large proportion of the 1935-36 exports were from stocks of previous years. When adjustments were made for the change in stocks, exports of wheat were 57 per cent of production. In 1935, 55 per cent of the chaese produced in Canada was exported, 53 per cent of the commercial apple crop and 43 per cent of the wool.

From the standpoint of the proportion of the production entering export trade, hogs were the most important meat animal, with 16 per cent of the production for 1935 leaving Canada. About 4 per cent of the turkey crop and 4 per cent of the duck crop were exported. Exports of maple sugar and syrup were 21 per cent of domestic production.

Imports

About 75 per cent of the amount of Canadian corn production was imported during the crop year 1935-36. In relation to domestic production, importations of flaxseed totalled 53 per cent, tobacco 8 per cent and beans about 3 per cent. Canada imported wool to the extent of 77 per cent of domestic production in 1935, but it should be noted that exports were 43 per cent of production. Not imports in the case of this commodity were 33 per cent of home production. Imports of strawberries amounted to 18 per cent of the commercial crop in Canada, but 7 per cent of the crop was also exported. Imports of most of the products were only relatively small proportions of Canadian production.



Apparent Consumption

Those commodities of which the apparent Canadian consumption was substantially higher than the 1935 production included corn, flaxseed and wool. Apparent Canadian consumption of wheat was 43 per cent of production, and of cheese, 40 per cent of production. For 23 of the 32 commodities included in the computation, apparent consumption ranged from 75 to 100 per cent of domestic production.

Notes on Method

For most of the crops the exports, imports and consumption were computed on the basis of a crop year; i.e., twelve months following the beginning of harvest. In the case of meat animals and animal products, the calendar year was used.

The values per unit assigned to exports, imports and apparent consumption were the same as those used for calculating the value of agricultural production in Canada for 1935.

The exports and imports of those commodities which had undergone some process of manufacture were compiled in terms of the product in its original form. For example, wheat flour was expressed as bushels of wheat, catmeal and rolled oats as bushels of cats, and concentrated milk products as whole milk. Meats and meat animals were expressed in terms of dressed weight of slaughtered animals.

This study covers 32 of the important Canadian agricultural products. These 32 commodities represent 97 per cent of the gross value of agricultural production for the year 1935.

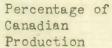
It is expected that similar material will be prepared for the years from 1931 to 1934, and for the year 1936 when the data of exports and imports are available for the 1936-37 crop year.

The data are given in detail in the charts on page 3 and tables on pages 4 and 5.

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Chart 1

EXPORTS OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES
IN RELATION TO CANADIAN PRODUCTION - 1935



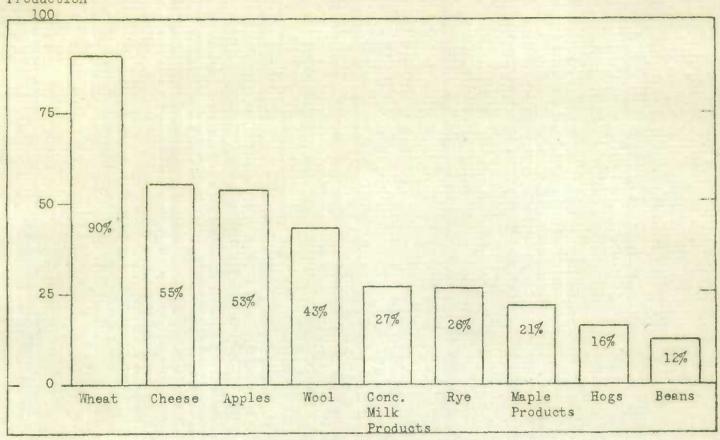
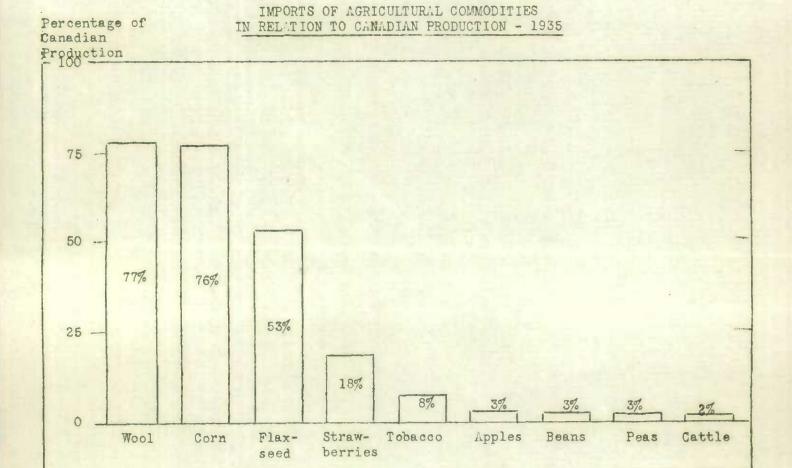


Chart 2



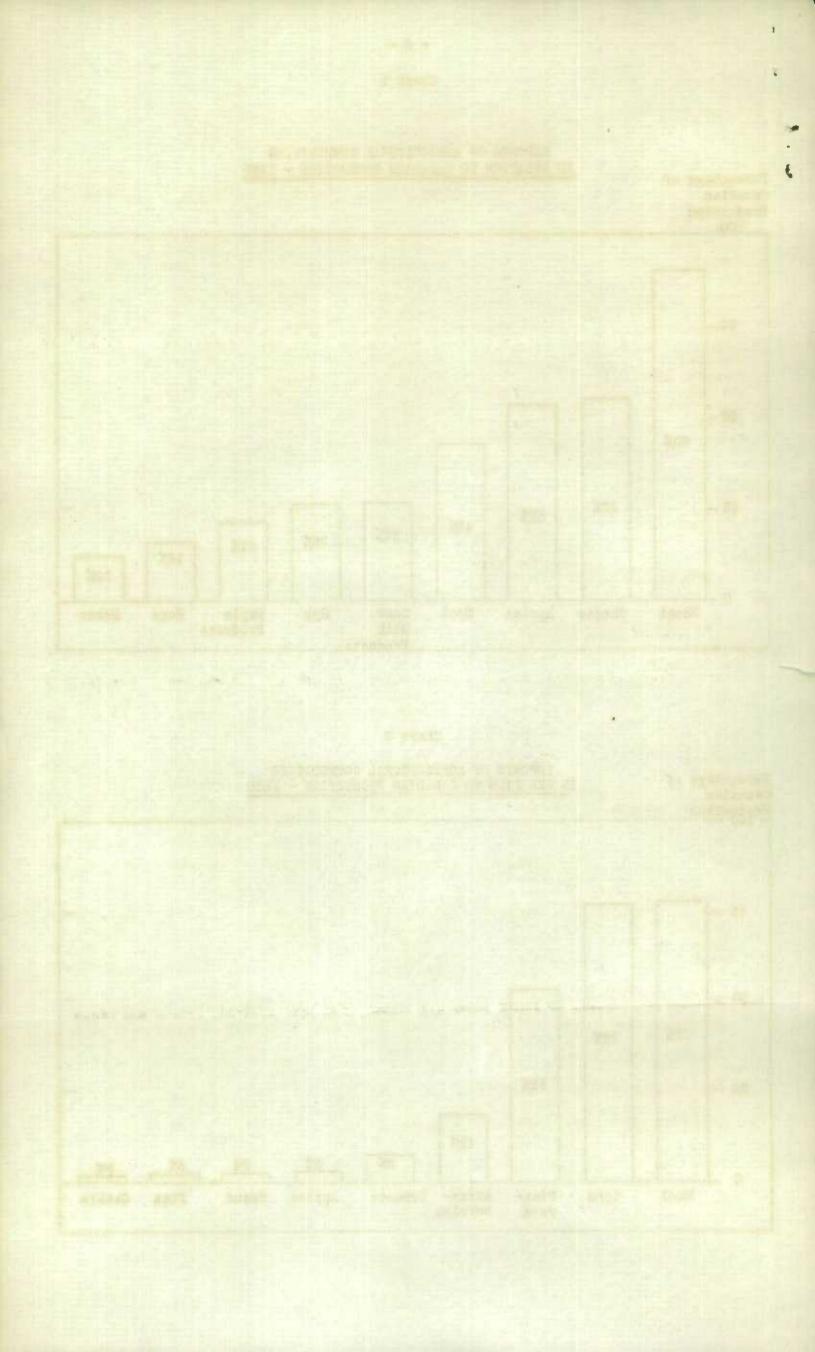


Table 1

PRODUCTION, EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND APPARENT CONSUMPTION OF SPECIFIED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES IN CANADA FOR 1935

		Production	Exports(1)	Imports(1)	Apparent Consumption
Field Crops -		Troduction	Exportes	Thipot ou	O O I I O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O
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Wheat (2)	Bushels	281,935,000	254,424,775	291,510	121,485,320
Oats (3)	11	394,348,000	15,514,133	355,786	365,207,949
Barley		83,975,000	7,675,749	219	72,013,520
Rye	99	9,606,000	2,455,841	44	7,093,006
Peas	**	1,616,000	34,179	46,201	1,628,022
Beans	11	1,161,400	145,335	37,084	1,053,149
Buckwheat	11	7,948,600	314,839	71	7,633,832
Corn	19	7,765,000	81,175	5,874,951	13,558,776
Potatoes	Cwt.	38,670,000	933,050	180,119	37,867,069
Turnips, etc.	19	35,110,000	1,182,301	-	33,927,699
Hay (4)	Tons	17,945,700	42,329	411	17,903,782
Sugar Beets	19	465,800	1,009	-	464,791
Flaxseed	Bushels	1,666,600	19,361	883,961	2,574,892
Tobacco	Pounds	54,473,000	8,633,696	4,252,505	50,091,809
Fruits -					
Apples	Barrels	4,499,900	2,397,330	155,070	2,256,463
Strawberries	Quarts	27,505,350	1,946,065	4,988,431	30,547,716
Honey	Pounds	24,291,000	2,228,429	29,744	22,092,315
Maple Products	11	29,459,000	6,108,599	40,620	23,391,021
Live Stock and Animal Produ	cts -				
Horses	Number	352,860	6,025	452	347,287
Meat Animals					ALP TO SECOND
Cattle (dressed weight)	Pounds	770,303,140	13,512,600	13,959,458	771,354,812
Hogs " "	11	815,206,950	132,435,300	430,348	680,883,111
Sheep " "	11	67,982,000	315,500	83,162	69,653,616
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Dairy Products					
Butter	18	347,867,800	7,697,000	148,541	340,766,985
Cheese	11	101,445,690	55,718,700	1,274,130	40,725,877
Milk otherwise used	19	6,786,685,000	23,799	31,456	6,786,692,657
Concentrated Milk Produ	cts "	290,197,100	78,881,543	4,181,156	213,556,695
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Wool	11	19,357,000	8,363,058	14,842,967	25,836,909
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Eggs	Dozens	223,540,000	1,300,744	60,425	224,133,260
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Hens and Chickens	Pounds	175,883,700	2,101,695		173,075;927
Turkeys	11	18,739,800	663,448		18,516,718
Ducks	ff	3,500,640	143,563		3,467,166
Geese		7,504,800	82,650	E PLANT	7,370,697

⁽¹⁾ Exports and imports of field crops and honey, crop year 1935-36; fruits and maple products, fiscal year 1935-36; live stock and animal products, calendar year 1935.

⁽²⁾ Including wheat flour.

⁽³⁾ Including oatmeal and rolled oats.

⁽⁴⁾ Including grain hay, clover and alfalfa.

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Table 2

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND APPARENT CONSUMPTION OF SPECIFIED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES - AS A PERCENTAGE OF CANADIAN PRODUCTION IN 1935

	Exports Per Cent	Imports Per Cent	Apparent Consumption Per Cent
Field Crops -			
	90.3(1)	0.1	42.8
Wheat Oats	3.9	0.1	93.8
Barley	9.1	(2)	85.4
Rye	25.6	• • • (~)	72.7
Peas	2.1	2.9	100.4
Beans	12.5	3.2	90.8
Buckwheat	4.0		96.9
Corn	1.0	75.7	174.6
Potatoes	2.4	0.3	98.1
Turnips, etc.	3.4	-	96.9
Hay (4)	0.2		99.8
Sugar Beets	0.2	46	99.7
Flaxseed	1.2	53.0	153.9
Tobacco	15.8	7.8	93.1
Total Field Crops	33.4	10.1	78.3
Fruits -			
Apples	53.3	3.4	50.1
Strawberries	7.1	18.1	103.9
Honey	9.2	0.1	90.5
Maple Products	20.7	0.1	79.4
Live Stock and Animal Products - Horses Meat Animals Cattle (dressed weight) Hogs Sheep	1.7 1.8 16.2 0.5	0.1	98.4 100.2 83.5 102.5
Total Meat Animals	10.2	0.7	91.3
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Dairy Products Butter	2.2		97.8
Cheese	54.9	1.3	40.0
Milk otherwise used	2 4 4		102.4
Concentrated Milk Products	27.2	1.4	74.1
Total Dairy Products	6.5	0.2	94.4
Wool	43, 2	76.7	130.9
		70.7	
Eggs	0.6		100.9
Poultry	3 0		
Hens and Chickens	1.2		98.4
Turkeys	3.5	-	98.8
Ducks	4.1		99.0
Geese	1.1	-	98.2
Total Poultry Meats	1.6	200	98.5
TOTAL ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS	6.5	0.8	94.8
TOTAL ALL PRODUCTS	21.6	1.0	85.3

⁽¹⁾ Deducting the change in stocks from the 1935-36 exports, reduces this percentage from 90.3 to 57.0.

^{(2) ...} less than 0.1 per cent.

