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TELEGRAPHIC CROP REPORT - PRAIRIE PROVINCES

This is the fourth of the 1959 series of thirteen telegraphic reports, issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, covering crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces. A selected list of crop correspondents chosen from the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture, private crop observers and grain men supply the information on which these reports are based. The weather data included in this release are furnished by the Meteorological Division, Department of Transport.

SUMMARY

seeding of wheat and coarse grains advanced rapidly towards completion in Saskatchewan and much of Alberta during the past week. Good progress was also made in western Manitoba. However, rains in many districts of Manitoba and Alberta have delayed operations. A considerable proportion of the intended flaxseed acreage remains to be sown in all three provinces. Good progress has been made in seeding of most special crops. With few exceptions, moisture supplies are adequate to start crops, but over large areas of Saskatchewan in particular, subsoil reserves are low and timely rains will be required. Pasture and hay crops are improving in Alberta and Manitoba, but growth is still backward in many districts of Saskatchewan.

Cool weather and scattered showers in Manitoba during the past week hampered seeding operations in many sections of the province. About 90 per cent of the wheat and half the coarse grains have been seeded west of the Red River but only 25 per cent has been completed in eastern parts. Seeding of special crops is progressing, with sugar beets 75 per cent and peas 50 per cent planted. Moisture conditions remain poor in the southwest part of the province but surface supplies are adequate elsewhere except east of the Red River where they are excessive. Pastures are generally satisfactory and prospects for hay are much improved.

Wheat seeding in Saskatchewan advanced rapidly during the past week and it is estimated that 90 per cent of the crop is now in the ground. The amount seeded varies from about 50 per cent completed in the northeast to 85 per cent completed in the east-central and northwestern districts. Less than 5 per cent remains in other areas. Seeding of coarse grains has also made good progress and some 70 per cent of these crops has been sown. Seeding progress with flaxseed is slower and it is estimated that only 45 per cent is in the ground. Surface moisture supplies are generally sufficient to start crops, but reserves are limited and a good rain would benefit crops in all areas at this time. The weather continues cool and growth is slow. About 30 per cent of the wheat is now showing green. Weather conditions could be a determining factor in farmers' completing some of their seeding intentions. Many growers may seed flax if rain is received soon, but otherwise they will summerfallow or seed coarse grains on their intended flax acreage.

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Seeding should soon be completed from the western border of Alberta to Lethbridge. Wheat seeding is practically completed in most other areas and from 60 to 70 per cent of the coarse grain acreage has been sown. In most areas, rains over the weekend were sufficient to ensure germination of all seed in the ground. Pastures may be expected to respond immediately.

MANITOBA

Over two inches of rain were received over the weekend in the Dominion City-Arnaud area. Only 15 per cent of the seeding has been completed in these districts. Some farmers have barely started while others have almost completed operations. Alfalfa fields are in good shape. In the Altona area approximately two-thirds of all crops have been sown and more than half of the cereal crops are showing above ground. Some special crops have also emerged. Field work was in full swing on Monday in the western two-thirds of the district, but rain on Tuesday will end all work for the week. Pastures are coming along very well. The Experimental Farm at Morden reports that the weather has been cool and dry, with considerable wind. There has been some soil erosion but not in serious proportions. Early wheat is showing and only a small amount of wheat remains to be seeded. Coarse grain seeding is 75 per cent completed and corn planting well under way. Hay and pasture growth has been fair. Moisture supplies are being depleted in this district and rains will be required soon.

Our correspondent from Pilot Mound reports that seeding operations have progressed slowly during the past week due to intermittent showers and cool weather. It is expected that flax and coarse grains acreage will be increased and wheat acreage decreased from earlier intentions. Pastures are looking in good shape. At Somerset wheat seeding is 50 per cent completed and some coarse grain has been sown. With favourable weather a great deal of seeding will be done this week. Pastures and hay crops are in good condition.

Around Melita 95 per cent of the wheat, 75 per cent of the oats and barley and 65 per cent of the flax have been seeded. The fall rye crop is in fair condition and pasture crops have improved. Prospects for a hay crop are still doubtful. About 0.6 of an inch of rain was received during the past week.

North of Winnipeg at Selkirk seeding commenced during the week but was stopped again because of more rain. Potatoes are being planted in small patches, with fields not totally dried. Pastures are quite green but warmer weather is needed to promote growth. Weed growth is starting in the fields. At Beausejour seeding was general during the latter part of last week but recent rains will hold up field work for a few more days. Pastures are in excellent condition. In the Portage la Prairie district, 40 per cent of the wheat, 80 per cent of the peas and coarse grains and 90 per cent of the flaxseed remain to be seeded. Beet seeding is probably 75 per cent done. Steady rain on Tuesday will likely delay field work two or three days. Wild oat growth has been slow throughout the district. Hail accompanied by heavy rains occurred last Sunday in the Langruth district.

The Experimental Farm at Brandon reports that wheat seeding has been completed and about 65 per cent of the coarse grains has been done. Much of the remaining acreage will be seeded after a growth of wild oats has occurred. Only about 20 per cent of the flax has been sown. Pastures and hayland are making good growth and gardens are improving. Some frost damage occurred to early-sown barley and garden plants.

Farther west at Virden recent rainfall has given temporary relief throughout most of the area but more rain is needed. Farmers have delayed completion of seeding, awaiting growth of wild oats. Wheat is about 95 per cent seeded while coarse grains approximate 50 per cent and flax 25 per cent. Early-seeded crops are well up above ground and pastures are making fair growth.

In the Interlake area at Teulon seeding progressed very well during the past week. Moisture supplies are excessive in some parts. Pastures are in very good shape in this district. Very few home gardens have been seeded as yet.

Wheat is 95 per cent seeded in the west-central district of Neepawa and coarse grain seeding is 80 per cent done. Pastures are in excellent shape and moisture supplies are adequate for germination of seeded crops. Grasshoppers have commenced to hatch in this district. Good progress was made in seeding during the week at Minnedosa and wheat seeding is now 90 per cent completed and coarse grains 70 per cent. Farmers are waiting to seed the remainder until a growth of wild oats is obtained. Surface moisture supplies are good and early-sown fields are showing good growth. Pastures are improving rapidly. At Shoal Lake many farmers were cultivating fields to kill wild oats during the past week. About 70 per cent of the wheat has been sown and 50 per cent of the coarse grains. Early-sown crops are progressing well. Pastures are good and moisture supplies are adequate.

In northern Manitoba at Dauphin almost all the wheat and 25 per cent of the coarse grains have been sown. An excellent growth of wild oats has occurred and farmers are now cultivating to kill this weed. Early-sown crops are in the two and three leaf stage. They could stand more rain and warmer weather. Some soil drifting has occurred in this district. The weather is cold in the Swan River district and surface moisture supplies are below normal; however, subsoil moisture is satisfactory. About 50 per cent of the wheat and 10 per cent of the barley has been sown to date. Fastures are growing very slowly.

The Entomological Laboratory at Winnipeg reports that the grasshopper hatch is being delayed by cold wet weather. The average precipitation since April 1 has been 21 per cent above normal as compared with 29 per cent above normal a week ago, 45 per cent above normal two weeks ago and in contrast to 62 per cent below normal at the same time a year ago. The mean temperature for the week ending May 25 was 2.8 degrees below normal as compared with 2.4 degrees below normal a week ago, 1.0 degrees alove normal two weeks ago and 1.4 degrees above normal for the week ending May 26, 1958.

SASKATCHEWAN

Around Fillmore in the southeast part of the province, extensive soil drifting has occurred again, and moisture reserves are almost gone. Some 95 per cent of the wheat and 85 per cent of the coarse grains have been seeded. Flax acreage in the district will be greatly reduced unless rain comes soon. Pastures are bare and fodder reserves are being fed to cattle. The Experimental Farm at Indian Head reports that dry, cool weather continued during the past week, and this has made germination of crops slow and uneven. All the wheat has been seeded and about 90 per cent of the oats and barley is in the ground. Some flax has been sown. Tillage operations on summerfallow fields have begun. There has been no soil drifting during the past week and cool weather has delayed hatching of grasshoppers. There is very little growth on hay and pasture fields and these crops will be light, even with rains from now on.

In the Big Beaver district in the south-central part of the province six-tenths of an inch of rain were received Monday night. It had been very dry and windy until this rain was received, with a considerable amount of soil drifting. Growth on pasture lands which was at a standstill should now improve. Cereal crops are doing fairly well and wheat is now about two inches high, but more rain and warmer weather are needed. Around Gravelbourg crop growth is even, but delayed somewhat by cool temperatures. A good rain now would assure a good stand. Moisture conditions are poor and there is practically no reserve.

The Experimental Farm at Swift Current in the southwest part of the province reports that seeding is practically completed and about 50 per cent is starting to show green. Germination is uniform. There is sufficient moisture to get crops started, but rains are urgently needed for hay and pasture lands. Frost this past week did not cause any serious damage. Fall rye has made good growth and is now coming into the shot blade. In the Val Marie district the weather has been cool and cloudy with scattered showers. About half an inch of rain was received during the past week. Crops are growing full and even, and conditions are good except for the lack of subsoil moisture. Range grass growth is fair to good. Around Leader the weather continues favourable for germination and advancing crop growth. Most crops have emerged and are doing well.

Seeding is well advanced in the Togo district in the east-central part of the province. Wheat seeding is finished and some 50 per cent of the coarse grains is in the ground but a few farmers have also finished seeding these crops. Wild oat growth is very heavy. The weather has been extremely variable and frosts have been received during some nights. Topsoils are drying out and a general rain would be welcome soon around Willowbrook. Wheat seeding is also finished and about 80 per cent of all crops have been sown. Subsoil moisture in the area is generally good, although below normal temperatures and high winds are slowing growth. Early-sown fields are advancing satisfactorily. Gardens and pastures are good. Seeding will be completed this week.

The Entomological Laboratory at Saskatoon reports that hatching of all species of economic grasshoppers has been observed in the Saskatoon area and reports of hatching have been received from several locations in southern Saskatchewan. Wheat seeding is almost finished in the Saskatoon district. Emerging crops on light soils have, however, been damaged by recent high winds and soil drifting. Around Rosetown some 75 per cent of the seeding is completed and germination is assured. The flax acreage will be up to intentions following a nice rain yesterday. Durum wheat acreage will be reduced and ordinary spring wheat acreage will increase slightly. The Experimental Farm at Scott reports that early-sown grain is making good growth in spite of cool, dry weather. Some scattered showers have been received but generally speaking there has been no improvement in soil moisture conditions. Good rains are urgently needed to promote growth of crops and particularly for hay and pasture lands. Soil dirfting has already done considerable damage in the area.

For the Melfort district in the northeast part of the province the Experimental Farm reports that seeding operations progressed very rapidly during the past week. It is estimated that 70 per cent of the wheat and 50 per cent of the coarse grains are now seeded. Very little flax has been sown to date. Cold weather is retarding growth although some wheat is starting to show above ground. Around Meota in the northwest part of the province some 95 per cent of the seeding has been completed. No rain has been received during the week and moisture will be required soon. Plant growth is slow and frost has been received meanly every night.

Average precipitation for the province since April 1 has been 30 per cent below normal as compared with 20 per cent below normal a week ago, 2 per cent below normal two weeks ago and 39 per cent below normal a year ago. Mean temperature for the week anding May 25, 1959 was 2.6 degrees below normal compared with 0.7 degrees above normal a week ago, 1.6 degrees above normal two weeks ago and 5.5 degrees above normal for the week ending May 26, 1958.

ALBERTA

Seeding of wheat and coarse grains has been completed around Manyberries in southeastern Alberta, but no flax has been sown. Despite prevailing cool temperatures some
early crops have germinated. Range vegetation is growing slowly. In the Medicine Hat
district 95 per cent of the wheat and coarse grains and 70 per cent of the intended flax
acreage have been sown. Fall wheat and rye are in the shot blade. Pastures are fair
and cattle are in good condition. Showers and general cool weather have inhibited growth
during the past few days. Some summerfallows have been worked.

The Research Station at Lethbridge reports scattered showers during the past week have delayed seeding south of Calgary. The proportion of seeding completed varies from about 80 per cent in the eastern part of the area, with about 55 per cent centring on Lethbridge and about 25 per cent in the extreme western part of the area. Thinning of early-seeded sugar beets is expected to start next week. Heavy, scattered showers have fallen in the Cardston area in the extreme southwest where 50 per cent of the seeding is now completed. Fall crops and pastures are in good condition. Seeding of all grains is also 50 per cent completed in the Claresholm area where hay and pasture crops are making good growth. Recent wet weather has hampered further seeding, but some early-sown crops are showing above ground.

From one-half to one inch of rain over the Brooks district has delayed seeding. In addition to cereals, some 2200 acres of peas for seed and about 1500 acres of potatoes are, or will be, planted in this area. Farther west at Vulcan snow and rain were falling on May 25. Eighty per cent of the seeding is completed in this area, but barley and flax which are just coming through the ground were considered to be in danger of freezing. Temperatures fell to 32 degrees on the night of May 24. Pastures and hay lands have improved rapidly as a result of the present precipitation.

Ninety-five per cent of the seeding is completed in the Hanna district of east-central Alberta. Grain crops appear to be fair and are germinating evenly. Some light showers and snow have been received but more moisture is needed. The weather has been cool, with frosts some nights. Fall rye is in good condition, but hay crops and pastures are poor. Good progress was made last week with seeding in the Calgary district, but operations are now hampered by light rain and snow received over the weekend. Wheat averages 80 per cent seeded, with 55 per cent of the cats and barley in the ground. Moisture conditions are improving with the present rainfall. Farther north at Olds seeding is about 70 per cent completed, but will now be delayed for several days due to about half an inch of rain. Moisture supplies are adequate until the end of the month. A light frost occurred several nights ago with another being expected on the night of May 25.

At Sedgewick in central Alberta all of the wheat and 75 per cent of the oats and barley crops have been seeded. The weather during the past week has been cloudy and cool, with widely scattered showers. Wheat is coming up evenly and appears to be in good condition. Rain will be needed soon. Pastures are growing slowly and hay crops

are short of moisture. Farther south at Donalda seeding is about completed except for some barley and greenfeed. Early-sown grain is starting to show above ground, but surface moisture supplies are not too satisfactory. The weather has been cloudy and cold, with very little precipitation. Tame grasses are making growth but rain will be needed soon for all crops.

At Red Deer in west-central Alberta seeding is nearing completion, with the exception of barley on stubble land. Recent rains have improved moisture conditions and assured good germination. Pastures and hay crops will also undoubtedly improve. Approximately .30 inches of rain fell over the past weekend in the Lacombe area. Seeding has progressed as follows: wheat, 100 per cent; oats, 60; and barley, 25 per cent. Pasture production is normal in the western part of the district but is below normal in eastern sections. Emergence of early-sown cereal crops is good. Moisture conditions are satisfactory at Eckville following one-half inch of rain on May 24. Seeding is 60 per cent completed, with early seedings up one to two inches. Hay and pastures are fairly good.

Scattered showers occurred over the weekend in the Vermilion area east of Edmonton. Percentages of seeding completed in this district are: wheat, 100; oats, 40; and barley, 20. Pasture growth is slow and rain is needed. Wheat seeding is almost completed and about half of the coarse grains is in the ground around Edmonton. About one-third of an inch of rain has improved moisture conditions and warm weather is now needed to promote germination and growth. Farther west at Stony Plain weekend moisture was valuable, but not extensive. Seeding has progressed well, with an average of one-third remaining to be done.

Seeding is about 80 per cent completed in the Bonnyville district northeast of Edmonton where extremely cool weather prevails. Moisture reserves are still satisfactory for good germination but heavy morning frosts destroy any crop growth appearing. Hay and pasture crops are satisfactory. At Athabasca the weather has been cool and cloudy, with .30 inches of rain in the past week. High temperature for the week was 75 degrees, with the low at 20. Some early wheat was damaged but should recover with warmer weather. Crops are all seeded and our correspondent estimates an increase of 10 per cent in wheat acreage, with barley down 10 per cent and oats unchanged. Nearby at Colinton moisture supplies are fair, with 1.1 inches of rain since May 1. Subsoil reserves are still low. Temperatures fell to 12 degrees below freezing last week and some crop damage occurred. Seeding is about 90 per cent completed and hay and pasture crops are doing well.

Seeding of flax and wheat is nearing completion in the Beaverlodge area of the Peace River district and seeding of oats and barley is well advanced. Surface moisture supplies are adequate and germination is rapid, vigorous and uniform. No winter or spring damage has occurred to perennial crops. Seeding is nearing completion around Fort Vermilion in the far north of the province. Five degrees of frost occurred on the nights of May 24 and 25, with some damage to early-seeded flax reported in the High Level area. Some of these fields may be re-seeded to rapeseed. Tame hay and pastures were improved by showers during the week. Moisture supplies are adequate, but higher temperatures will be needed during the next week for full crop development.

Average precipitation for the province since April 1 has been 0.5 per cent above normal compared with 4 per cent above normal a week ago, 22 per cent above normal two weeks ago and in contrast to 42 per cent below normal a year ago. Mean temperature for the week ending May 25 was 2.1 degrees below normal compared with 2.9 degrees above normal a week ago, 3.1 degrees below normal two weeks ago and in contrast to 8.6 degrees above normal for the week ending May 26, 1958.

		Pred	Precipitation			Mean Temperature	
Province and		week ending 8 a.m.	Total since	Normal	Week ending 8 a. May 25		
	ict Station	May 25,1959			1959	Normal	
			inches -	-	- degre	es F	
MANITOBA			0/				
1	Pierson	N.R.	.912/	2.63	N.R.	53	
	Melita	.60	2.13	2.90	50	54	
	Waskada	.30	1.302/	2.33	51	52	
2	Boissevain	.52	2.59,	2.65	49	51	
	Deerwood	N.R.	.75~	2.73	N.R.	51	
	Ninette	.53	2.74	2.92	51	53	
	Pilot Mound	.38	4.00	2.68	47	53	
	Portage la Pr	cairie .62	4.19	2.58	51	53	
3	Graysville	N.R.	3.082	2.54	N.R.	52	
	Morden	N.R.	2.392/	3.08	N.R.	53	
	Altona	.34	2.89	2.63	50	53	
	Morris	.38	3.28	2.23	50	53	
	Roland	.04	2.67	2.66	49	53	
	Gretna	.54	3.23	2.61	50	53	
	Emerson	1.14	3.86	2.56	50	53	
4	Winnipeg	.54	3.52	2.70	50		
6		.19		2.92	53	54	
C	Sprague Seven Sisters		3.61			51	
			2.89	2.24	51	53	
n	Steinbach	.91	4.57	2.72	49	53	
7	Virden	.20	1.69	2.17	49	52	
	Reston	.44	1.32	2.58	50	53	
	Rivers	.06	1.90	2.49	50	52	
8	Brandon	.28	2.48	2.83	50	53	
	Cypress River		4.00	2.45	48	52	
9	Neepawa	. 32	2.51	2.22	49	52	
	Grass River	.64	3.35	2.33	48	50	
10	Russell	.13	2.20	1.94	48	50	
	Rossburn	.19	3.46	2.02	49	51	
	Birtle	.19	3.04	2.04	49	51	
11 =	Dauphin	.07	3.62	2.26	49	51	
12	Gimli	.54	4.47	2.17	49	50	
13	Swan River	NIL	1.48	1.92	48	50	
	The Pas	.02	2.24	1.90	44	50	
MANI	TOBA AVERAGE	.37	3.00	2.47	49.3	52.	
SASKATCHEN	AN						
lA	Estevan	.47	1.22	1.94	51	51	
	Carlyle	.11	.75	2.19	47	51	
	Oxbow	.65	1.77	2.34	49	51	
	Willmar	.43	.97	2.03	N.R.	N.R.	
18	Broadview	.15	1.19	2.04	47	52	
	Moosomin	.10	1.23	1.98	50	52	
2A	Yellow Grass	.19	1.01	1.94	48		
A	Creelman				49	51	
		.05	.68	1.91		51	
	Weyburn	.15	.79	1.98	49	51	
OTD	Midale	.41	.88	2.03	46	51	
2B	Moose Jaw	.27	2.29	2.02	50	54	

- II Precipitation and Temperature Data, Prairie Provinces

		Precipitation			Mean Temperature		
		Week ending	Total	Normal	Week ending 8 a.m		
Province and		8 a.m.	since	since		25	
Crop District	Station	May 25,1959	April 1	April 1	1959	Norma	
			inches .		- degre	es F	
SASKATCHEWAN (continued)						
2B	Regina	.22	1.41	1.94	49	52	
	Francis	.01	.73	1.65	47	52	
	Qu'Appelle	.10	.83	2.26	47	52	
	Indian Head	.08	1.18	2.00	47	52	
	Wilcox	Trace	.67	2.03	48	51	
3AS	Assiniboia	.22	1.89	1.88	50	51	
	Ormiston	.05	1.04	2.09	48	51	
	Readlyn	N.R.	1.092	1.95	N.R.	51	
	Minton	.04	.882/	2.44	50	51	
	Cardross	.17	1.43	2.06	48	51	
	Ceylon	.17	1.36	2.46	48	52	
3AN	Chaplin	.19	1.27	1.95	50	53	
	Gravelbourg	.15	1.72	1.86	49	52	
	Coderre	.14	1.75	1.99	49	52	
3BS	Shaunavon	.33	1.65	2.05	48	50	
	Cadillac	.14	1.122/	2.15	50	50	
	Pambrun	.05	1.52	1.94	46	50	
	Aneroid	.12	1.44	1.94	48	50	
	Instow	.13	1.02	1.89	47	50	
3BN	Pennant	.53	2.01	1.97	49	52	
0121	Swift Current	.10	1.90	2.00	49	53	
	Hodgeville	N.R.	1.272	1.94	N.R.	52	
	Hughton	NIL	1.26	1.88	50	51	
4A	Maple Creek	.20	1.79	1.98	51	52	
TH.	Consul	.14	1.19	1.67	46	50	
5A	Cupar	.09	1.28	1.83	49	49	
0,1	Leross	N.R.	2.772/	2.13	N.R.	49	
	Melville	.23	1.45	1.92	48	49	
	Yorkton	.01	1.92	1.94	48	50	
	Bangor	.23	2.52	2.04	46	51	
5B	Dafoe	NIL	1.93	1.74	47	48	
	Foam Lake	NIL	1.40	2.01	47	48	
	Lintlaw	.08	1.43	2.14	46	48	
	Kamsack	NIL	2.18	1.83	48	49	
	Arran	Trace	1.71	1.83	45	49	
	Pelly	Trace	1.85	1.89	46	49	
6A	Davidson	NIL	1.22	1.94	49	51	
	Dilke	N.R.	1.202	1.74	N.R.	N.R.	
	Imperial	N.R.	.932/	1.89	N.R.	51	
	Semans	NIL	1.19	1.75	49	50	
	Strasbourg	.25	1.51	1.87	49	51	
	Watrous	NIL	1.14	1.69	48	51	
6B	Harris	NIL	.582/	1.55	50	50	
	Outlook	NIL	.75	1.51	52	52	
	Saskatoon	Trace	.60	1.80	49	52	
	Elbow	Trace	1.08	1.87	51	52	
	Tugaske	.09	1.45	1.85	49	51	
	Dundurn	NIL	.82	1.61	50	51	

- III Precipitation and Temperature Data, Prairie Provinces

		Precipitation			Mean Ten	Mean Temperature	
The send of the send of		Week ending		Normal	Week ending 8 a.		
Province and Crop District	Station	8 a.m. May 25,1959		since	1959	y 25 Normal	
Grop District	Station		inches -			rees F	
SASKATCHENAN	(concluded)		21101100		408	.005 2.	
6B	Rosthern	NIL	•56	1.78	48	52	
7A	Kindersley	.03	.79	1.62	49	49	
F-473	Rosetown	.08	1.00	1.95	49	50	
7B	Macklin	.05	1.23	1.97	50	49	
1.0	Scott	.02	1.13	2.03	49	51	
	Biggar	.16	1.15	1.69	51	51	
8A	Hudson Bay	.11	1.22	2.14	47	51	
CA	Prairie River	.09	2.33	1.93	46	52	
88	Humboldt	Trace	1.16	1.63	46	51	
QD .	Melfort	Trace	2.09	1.83	46	51	
9A	North Battleford	.04	1.46	1.82	50	54	
JA	Victoire	NIL.	1.57	1.66	49	51	
					46	53	
	Prince Albert	Trace	1.08	2.22			
OTD	Island Falls	.09	1.88	1.93	40	48	
9B	Waseca	Trace	1.55	2.05	48	50	
	St. Walburg	.02	1.14	2.08	47	50	
SASKATCE	EWAN AVERAGE	.11	1.35	1.93	48.2	50.8	
ALBERTA							
1	Bindloss	.65	2.12	1.63	49	54	
	Empress	.20	.49	1.23	50	55	
	Excel	.22	2.592/	1.67	49	53	
	Foremost	.61	2.61	2.43	49	57	
	Hanna	.21	1.23	1.80	50	53	
	Manyberries	.49	2.39	1.64	49	54	
	Medicine Hat	.28	2.14	2.09	50	55	
	Naco	.17	1.47	1.64	46	53	
	Oyen	NIL	1.26	1.56	N.R.	N.R.	
	Winnifred	.32	2.56	2.27	N.R.	N.R.	
2	Brooks	.57	1.59	2.06	50	54	
	Drumheller	.30	1.95	1.74	51	51	
	Gleichen	.55	2.47	2.33	50	51	
	Hays	,59	2.04	2.04	50	53	
	Hussar	.24	1.71	2.26	N.R.	N.R.	
	Raymond	.75	3.91	3.06	50	54	
	Lethbridge	.57	3.52	2.83	51	53	
	Strathmore	.18	1.66	2.29	N.R.	49	
	Taber	.44	3.81	2.43	51	52	
	Three Hills	.26	2.36	1.98	48	49	
	Trochu			2.40	48	50	
		.41	3.20				
	Vauxhall	.12	1.91	2.04	49	53	
77	Vulcan	.61	3.06	2.43	49	51	
3	Calgary	.23	2.48	2.68	48	51	
	Cardston	1.36	4.28	2.75	45	53	
	Cowley	1.58	4.58	2.79	46	50	
	Fort MacLeod	1.07	3.30	2.70	49	54	
	High River	N.R.	2.932/	3.22	N.R.	50	
	Magrath	.08	2.58	2.97	49	53	



Precipitation and Temperature Data, Prairie Provinces

		Precipitation			Mean Temperature	
Province and		Week ending 8 a.m.	Total	Normal since	Week ending 8 a. May 25	
Crop District	Station	May 25,1959	April 1	April 1	1959	Normal
		-	inches -		- degr	ees F
ALBERTA (concl	Luded)					
3	Olds	.48	3.39	2.58	48	50
4	Alliance	.03	1.20	1.97	49	52
	Camrose	N.R.	1.612/	2.31	N.R.	49
	Coronation	.06	1.25	1.89	48	51
	Hardisty	Trace	.88	1.70	53	N.R.
	Hughenden	.07	1.65	1.83	52	53
	Lloydminster	Trace	1.04	1.91	49	48
	Stettler	.12	1.07	2.26	50	50
	Vegreville	.61	1.13	1.84	50	50
	Vermilion	.13	1.32	1.80	48	49
5	Edmonton	•30	1.88	2.43	50	52
	Lacombe	.31	2.20	2.67	53	51
	Red Deer	.50	2.40	2.29	51	49
	Rocky Mountain House		3.36	3.30	49	48
	Wetaskiwin	Trace	1.89	2.52	50	51
6	Athabasca	.23	.92	2.03	43	50
	Campaie	.49	1.61	2.43	48	51
	Edson	.55	2.67	2.33	50	51
	Elk Point	Trace	.92	1.79	47	49
	Emberras	Trace	4.08	1.67	44	46
	Lac la Biche	.10	2.21	2.13	47	50
	Whitecourt	.25	2.38	2.82	49	50
7	Beaverlodge	.53	2.872/	1.99	50	50
THE PURE	Berwyn	.53	1.03	1.50	N.R.	50
	Fairview	.51	2.13	2.05	52	51
	Fort Vermilion	.29	.96	1.62	52	50
	Grande Prairie	.74	2.46	1.95	53	52
	High Prairie	.52	1.74	2.05	48	49
	Rycroft	.79	2.21	1.72	48	49
	Wagner	.68	2.12	2.13	46	50
ALBERTA		.38	2.19	2.18	49.1	51.2

N.R. - No Report.

^{1/ -} Source: Meteorological Service of Canada.

^{2/ -} Incomplete; not included in average.