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LIVE STOCK SURVEY - JUNE 1, 1941

Ottawa, October 31, 1941.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a report on the June 1941 survey of live stock and poultry dealing with numbers of the principal species on farms. This report is based on information obtained from farmers and is prepared in cooperation with the Provincial Departments of Agriculture. A report on the spring pig crop was issued on September 2, 1941.

Moderate increases were reported in all the principal species of live stock on Canadian farms in the survey made at June 1, 1941. In the case of hogs, the numbers on farms at this time are the highest recorded in history and numbers of sheep are the highest recorded since June 1, 1932. Numbers of cattle on farms, estimated at 8,807,000, were 2.8 per cent higher than at June 1, 1940. The increase in cattle numbers was particularly marked in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, where young stock is being held back for the rebuilding of herds. Unless serious feed shortages develop it may be expected that numbers of cattle will continue to increase over the next few years.

The upward trend in numbers of horses on farms which commenced in 1939 was continued, although the percentage increase was relatively small. The most important increase in numbers of horses occurred in the province of Saskatchewan.

Numbers of sheep on farms at June 1, 1941 were 3,550,000, an increase of 98,000 over the June 1, 1940 estimate. This increase was common to all provinces except Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia and was particularly sharp in Saskatchewan.

The increase in live stock numbers may be accounted for largely by the increased demand for meats and the relatively high prices which have prevailed for these products. Converted to a basis of grain consuming animal units, numbers of all species of live stock and poultry on farms at June 1, 1941 totalled 18,032,000 units compared with an average of 16,084,000 units from 1931 to 1935. The 1941 total of grain consuming animals was the highest yet recorded.

There was an increase of 3.9 per cent in the total numbers of hens and chickens on farms at June 1, 1941 compared with a year previously. Most of the increase occurred in birds under six months of age and this fact should result in heavier egg production during the coming winter. There was also a moderate increase in the numbers of turkeys on farms.

Table 1

Live Stock: Numbers of Principal Species on Farms in Canada
June 1, 1931 to 1941
Thousands

Year	Horses	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
1931	3,114	7,973	4,700	3,627
1932	3,089	8,530	4,639	3,644
1933	2,984	8,917	3,801	3,386
1934	2,933	9,012	3,654	3,421
1935	2,931	8,897	3,549	3,399
1936	2,892	8,841	4,145	3,327
1937	2,883	8,840	3,963	3,340
1938	2,821	8,511	3,487	3,415
1939	2,824	8,474	4,294	3,366
1940	2,858	8,565	5,882	3,452
1941	2,881	8,807	5,994	3,550

Table 2

Cattle: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1940 and 1941

Province	1 9 4 0			1 9 4 1			1941 % of 1940 Total
	Milk Cows	Other Cattle	Total	Milk Cows	Other Cattle	Total	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	%
Fr. Ed. Island	44,400	49,400	93,800	44,200	51,400	95,600	101.9
Nova Scotia	114,400	114,800	229,200	113,000	108,000	221,000	96.4
New Brunswick	113,100	101,000	214,100	111,600	97,200	208,800	97.5
Quebec	1,028,600	766,300	1,794,900	1,010,000	765,000	1,775,000	98.9
Ontario	1,195,100	1,323,300	2,518,400	1,204,300	1,366,500	2,570,800	102.1
Manitoba	350,500	422,200	772,700	326,500	438,500	765,000	99.0
Saskatchewan	502,500	746,700	1,249,200	532,000	818,000	1,350,000	108.1
Alberta	416,800	949,100	1,365,900	418,000	1,040,000	1,458,000	106.7
British Columbia	129,400	197,800	327,200	130,700	231,900	362,600	110.8
TOTAL CANADA	3,894,800	4,670,600	8,565,400	3,890,300	4,916,500	8,806,800	102.8

Table 3

Horses: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1940 and 1941

Province	1940	1941	1941 % of 1940
	No.	No.	%
Prince Edward Island	28,650	28,340	98.9
Nova Scotia	43,900	44,660	101.7
New Brunswick	54,960	55,850	101.6
Quebec	304,700	307,000	100.8
Ontario	559,900	557,500	99.6
Manitoba	323,000	321,000	99.4
Saskatchewan	813,600	838,000	103.0
Alberta	657,900	656,300	99.8
British Columbia	71,000	72,800	102.5
TOTAL CANADA	2,857,610	2,881,450	100.8

Table 4

Sheep: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1940 and 1941

Province	1940	1941	1941 % of 1940
	No.	No.	%
Prince Edward Island	43,900	45,800	104.3
Nova Scotia	143,500	139,000	96.9
New Brunswick	107,000	109,000	101.9
Quebec	648,200	666,000	102.7
Ontario	819,500	802,100	97.9
Manitoba	234,000	233,000	99.6
Saskatchewan	398,700	488,000	122.4
Alberta	882,600	897,000	101.6
British Columbia	174,700	170,600	97.7
TOTAL CANADA	3,452,100	3,550,500	102.9

Statement of the Board of Directors of the United States National Bank for the year ended December 31, 1914

Assets	Liabilities	Capital	Surplus	Profit and Loss
Cash	Deposits	Capital	Surplus	Profit and Loss
U.S. Bonds	Notes and Bills	Reserve	Profit and Loss	
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Table 5

Hens and Chickens: Numbers on Farms at June 1 and December 1
1931 to 1941
Thousands

	June 1	December 1
1931	61,277	50,615
1932	59,843	49,226
1933	54,943	46,643
1934	55,430	46,487
1935	53,063	44,199
1936	55,769	43,492
1937	53,983	39,564
1938	53,775	40,753
1939	58,510	43,527
1940	60,201	46,764
1941	62,532	-

Table 6

Hens and Chickens: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1940 and 1941

Province	1940	1941	1941 % of 1940
	No.	No.	%
Prince Edward Island	806,100	914,000	113.4
Nova Scotia	1,307,700	1,415,000	108.2
New Brunswick	1,226,900	1,214,000	98.9
Quebec	8,407,200	8,537,000	101.5
Ontario	21,693,000	22,127,100	102.0
Manitoba	5,640,000	6,003,000	106.4
Saskatchewan	9,298,100	9,892,000	106.4
Alberta	7,103,000	8,031,000	113.1
British Columbia	4,719,300	4,399,400	93.2
TOTAL CANADA	60,201,300	62,532,500	103.9

Table 7

Turkeys: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1940 and 1941

Province	1940	1941	1941 % of 1940
	No.	No.	%
Prince Edward Island	16,700	16,800	100.6
Nova Scotia	17,800	11,800	66.3
New Brunswick	29,700	27,000	90.9
Quebec	133,900	124,000	92.6
Ontario	450,600	451,200	100.1
Manitoba	580,000	551,000	95.0
Saskatchewan	780,500	819,000	104.9
Alberta	442,900	502,000	113.3
British Columbia	56,200	53,400	95.0
TOTAL CANADA	2,508,300	2,556,200	101.9



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