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LIVE STOCK SURVEY - JUNE 1, 1942

Hogs - Prairie Provinces

Ottawa, August 12, 1942.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a report on the June survey of live stock and poultry dealing with the numbers of hogs on farms, the 1942 spring pig crop, and numbers of sows to farrow in the fall of 1942, for the Prairie Provinces. This report is based on information obtained from farmers and is prepared in cooperation with the Provincial Departments of Agriculture. Figures for 1941 have been revised from those published a year ago.

SUMMARY

Further expansion in hog numbers in the Prairie Provinces was recorded in the June 1 survey of numbers of swine on farms. The 1942 estimate of 4.1 million head is the highest ever recorded and an increase of approximately one million head from the number on hand at June 1, 1941. Although Alberta is still the leading hog producing province of the Prairies, the percentage increase in numbers was 41 in Manitoba, 40 in Saskatchewan and 23 per cent in Alberta. There was an increase of 28 per cent in numbers of pigs saved during the period December 1941 to May 1942 as compared with the same period a year previously. This increase should be reflected in the marketings of hogs during the fall months of 1942.

An increase of 21.1 per cent is indicated in the numbers of sows bred to farrow during the months June to November, 1942 as compared with the same period of 1941. This increase in fall farrowings will be reflected in the marketings of hogs during the early months of 1943. The promise of a substantial increase in the output of coarse grains in the Prairie Provinces should result in farmers having no difficulty in feeding the expected increase in production.

Table 1

Hogs: Numbers on Farms at June 1 and December 1  
Prairie Provinces 1931 to 1942

Year	June 1	December 1
	No.	No.
1931	2,391,200	2,058,900
1932	2,353,900	2,050,000
1933	1,864,900	1,765,000
1934	1,734,500	1,720,300
1935	1,507,000	1,617,300
1936	1,814,300	1,766,700
1937	1,456,700	1,227,700
1938	1,193,600	1,255,200
1939	1,774,200	1,966,900
1940	2,660,800	2,714,700
1941	3,155,100	3,164,000
1942	4,126,400	





Table 2

Hogs: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1941 and 1942

Province	1 9 4 1			1 9 4 2			1942 as % of 1941 Total
	Under 6 Months	Over 6 Months	Total	Under 6 Months	Over 6 Months	Total	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
Manitoba	405,700	95,700	501,400	593,200	114,800	708,000	141.2
Saskatchewan	760,700	188,300	949,000	1,086,100	239,300	1,325,400	139.7
Alberta	1,322,700	382,000	1,704,700	1,602,200	490,800	2,093,000	122.8
Total Prairie Provinces	2,489,100	666,000	3,155,100	3,281,500	844,900	4,126,400	130.8

Table 3

Pigs: Number Born and Number Saved, December 1941 to May 1942

Province	1940-41		1941-42		1941-42 % of 1940-41	
	Pigs Born	Pigs Saved	Pigs Born	Pigs Saved	Pigs Born	Pigs Saved
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%	%
Manitoba	501,650	387,100	665,000	516,000	132.6	133.3
Saskatchewan	1,084,800	842,200	1,472,200	1,157,900	135.7	137.5
Alberta	1,750,500	1,303,200	2,062,000	1,568,900	117.8	120.4
Total Prairie Provinces	3,336,950	2,532,500	4,199,200	3,242,800	125.8	128.0

Table 4

Sows: Numbers Bred to Farrow June to November 1941 and 1942

Province	1941	1942	1942 % of 1941
	No.	No.	%
Manitoba	44,800	51,000	113.8
Saskatchewan	57,300	74,700	130.4
Alberta	171,600	205,700	119.9
Total Prairie Provinces	273,700	331,400	121.1

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