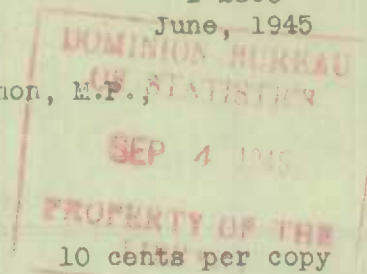


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LIVE STOCK SURVEY - JUNE 1, 1945

Ottawa, August 31, 1945.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a report on the June 1 numbers of hogs on farms in Canada, the 1945 spring pig crop and numbers of sows to farrow in the fall of 1945. This report is based on information obtained from farmers through the June live stock survey and is prepared in co-operation with the Provincial Departments of Agriculture.

SUMMARY

A further sharp reduction in hog production in Canada is recorded in the June 1 survey of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Numbers of swine on farms at June 1, 1945 totalled 6,026,000 head compared with 7,741,000 head a year ago. The drop in numbers on farms was particularly drastic in the Prairie Provinces. These provinces recorded the greatest increases during the years of expansion from 1941 to 1943. While the present level of production is slightly below that of 1941 it is still substantially above pre-war. Ontario is the only province where numbers on farms at June 1 were higher this year than a year previously.

Future prospects, based on numbers of sows expected to farrow, are for a further reduction in hog production in 1946. While increases in fall farrowings are indicated for Ontario and Prince Edward Island the figures for all other provinces are down and the average for the Dominion as a whole shows a reduction of 13.7 per cent.

Table 1

Hogs: Numbers on Farms at June 1 and December 1,
1938 to 1945
(Thousands)

Year	June 1	December 1
	No.	No.
1938	3,487	3,569
1939	4,294	4,770
1940	5,882	6,117
1941	6,093	6,527
1942	7,125	7,751
1943	8,148	9,473
1944	7,741	7,647
1945	6,026	



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Table 2

Hogs: Numbers on Farms at June 1, 1944 and 1945

Province	1944			1945			1945 % of 1944
	Under 6 months	Over 6 months	Total	Under 6 months	Over 6 months	Total	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	%
P. E. Island	52,800	12,900	65,700	49,700	10,800	60,500	92.1
Nova Scotia	54,700	14,600	69,300	45,900	12,800	58,700	84.7
New Brunswick	78,400	25,900	104,300	64,200	18,100	82,300	78.9
Quebec	782,000	219,000	1,001,000	675,200	168,500	843,700	84.3
Ontario	1,534,600	365,400	1,900,000	1,555,600	423,400	1,979,000	104.2
Manitoba	432,000	192,000	624,000	347,000	110,000	457,000	73.2
Saskatchewan	1,198,600	400,800	1,599,400	761,200	245,400	1,006,600	62.9
Alberta	1,684,000	594,900	2,278,900	1,101,700	367,600	1,469,300	64.5
British Columbia	72,900	25,300	98,200	50,500	18,000	68,500	69.8
TOTAL - CANADA	5,890,000	1,850,800	7,740,800	4,651,000	1,374,600	6,025,600	77.8

Table 3

Number of Pigs Born and Pigs Saved, December to May

Province	1943-44		1944-45		1944-45 % of 1943-44	
	Pigs Born	Pigs Saved	Pigs Born	Pigs Saved	Pigs Born	Pigs Saved
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%	%
P. E. Island	70,200	56,000	71,000	57,000	101.1	101.8
Nova Scotia	80,630	69,210	61,800	51,000	76.6	73.7
New Brunswick	95,200	73,600	76,100	62,900	79.9	85.5
Quebec	897,800	736,600	844,000	687,800	94.0	93.4
Ontario	1,659,700	1,580,000	1,701,700	1,600,000	102.5	101.3
Manitoba	583,500	450,000	476,000	383,500	81.6	85.2
Saskatchewan	1,358,000	1,107,300	896,800	705,200	66.0	63.7
Alberta	1,934,100	1,544,400	1,380,900	1,087,400	71.4	70.4
British Columbia	95,200	76,200	72,700	56,400	76.4	74.0
TOTAL - CANADA	6,774,330	5,693,310	5,581,000	4,691,200	82.4	82.4

Table 4

Sows: Numbers Expected to Farrow, June to November,
1944 and 1945

Province	1944	1945	1945 % of 1944
	No.	No.	%
Prince Edward Island	6,500	7,000	107.7
Nova Scotia	7,300	6,000	82.2
New Brunswick	8,400	7,300	86.9
Quebec	76,300	75,200	98.6
Ontario	180,940	199,900	110.5
Manitoba	46,000	34,000	73.9
Saskatchewan	84,500	51,900	61.4
Alberta	174,300	124,100	71.2
British Columbia	9,400	7,100	75.5
TOTAL - CANADA	593,640	512,500	86.3