

## AGRICULTURE

**Values of Farm Land.**—Table 7 shows the average values per acre of occupied farm lands in Canada, as estimated by correspondents in each of years 1908, 1909, 1910, 1914, 1915 and 1916. For the whole of Canada the average value of farm land held for agricultural purposes, whether improved or unimproved, and including the value of dwelling houses, farms, stables and other farm buildings, was approximately \$41 per acre, as compared with \$40 last year. The average values by provinces are as follows: Prince Edward Island \$39; Nova Scotia \$33.6; New Brunswick \$29.4; Quebec \$52; Ontario \$52.5; Manitoba \$32; Saskatchewan \$23; Alberta \$22; British Columbia \$118.5. In the last-named province the higher average is due to orcharding and fruit growing.

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Provinces.	1908.	1909.	1910.	1914.	1915.	1916.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Canada.....	35.70	38.60	38.45	38.41	39.70	40.95
Prince Edward Island....	33.70	32.07	31.24	38.65	37.64	39.13
Nova Scotia.....	25.00	30.50	24.72	27.99	28.00	33.67
New Brunswick.....	21.40	23.77	18.50	25.61	22.48	29.45
Quebec.....	41.90	43.37	42.50	47.00	51.36	52.13
Ontario.....	47.30	50.22	48.00	54.45	52.49	52.59
Manitoba.....	27.30	28.94	28.67	31.67	30.36	32.03
Saskatchewan.....	20.40	21.54	22.00	23.82	24.20	23.07
Alberta.....	18.20	20.46	24.00	21.03	23.15	22.18
British Columbia.....	76.10	73.44	74.00	150.00	125.00	118.51

**Wages of Farm Help in Canada.**—The average wages paid for farm help during 1916 reached a higher level than in any previous year for which returns have been collected. As shown by Table 8 the wages per month during the summer, including board, for the whole of the Dominion, averaged \$43.23 for male and \$22.46 for female help, as compared with \$37.10 and \$20.20 in 1915. For the year 1916, including board, the wages averaged \$397 for males and \$228 for females, as compared with \$341 and \$200 in 1915. The average value of board per month was returned as \$17 for males and \$13 for females, the corresponding figures of 1915 being \$14.57 and \$11.45. By provinces the average wages per month for males and females respectively in the summer season, including board, were as follows: Prince Edward Island \$31.35 and \$17.81; Nova Scotia \$38.77 and \$19.11; New Brunswick \$35.74 and \$16.66; Quebec \$40.79 and \$19.70; Ontario \$39.41 and \$20.58; Manitoba \$48.37 and \$26.97; Saskatchewan \$48.55 and \$25.66; Alberta \$52.28 and \$29.12; British Columbia \$49.86 and \$28.66.