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payments under this Act for the four years 1914-15 to 1917-18 are shown in Table 14. A report on the Agricultural Instruction Act for the year 1915-16, dated December 31, 1916, was published as Sessional Paper, No. 15c, 1917

14.—Allocation of Payments to Provincial Governments under the Agricultural Instruction Act, 1914-15—1917-18.

Provinces.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17	1917-18.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island.	27,832.81	29,138.28	30,443.75	31,749.22
Nova Scotia...	61,144.45	68,001.87	74,859.28	81,716.69
New Brunswick.	49,407.20	54,308.40	59,209.60	64,110.80
Quebec...	187,409.16	215,310.70	243,212.23	271,113.76
Ontario.	230,868.83	266,013.64	301,158.45	336,303.26
Manitoba.	58,075.45	64,421.31	70,767.21	77,113.11
Saskatchewan.	61,152.31	68,011.04	74,869.76	81,728.48
Alberta...	51,310.41	56,528.82	61,747.22	66,965.62
British Columbia.	52,799.38	58,265.94	63,732.50	69,199.06
Veterinary Colleges.	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Totals.	800,000.00	900,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,100,000.00

Stocks of Grain in Canada.—In 1915 and 1916 inquiries were instituted by the Census and Statistics Office, in co-operation with the Grain Inspection Division of the Department of Trade and Commerce, for the purpose of determining as nearly as possible the total quantity of wheat in Canada at a given time, the date being fixed for February 8 in 1915 and for March 31 in 1916. A similar inquiry, carried out for March 31, 1917, but extended to include oats, barley and flax as well as wheat, was conducted by means of schedules issued by the Census and Statistics Office to the managers of elevator, flour mill and railway companies, requesting the actual quantities of wheat, wheat flour, oats, oatmeal, rolled oats, barley meal, flax and linseed meal on hand or in transit on the morning of Saturday, March 31, 1917. The quantities of grain in the terminal elevators at Fort William and Port Arthur and in the interior terminal elevators of the Dominion Government at Calgary, Moosejaw, Saskatoon and Vancouver and of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Transcona, were furnished by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada. The grain in the eastern public elevators was ascertained, partly from schedules returned direct and partly from the returns published by the Grain Inspection Division of the Department of Trade and Commerce in the Weekly Bulletin of April 9, 1917. For the quantity of grain estimated to be in farmers' hands on March 31, use was made of the replies to the annual schedule addressed to the crop-reporting correspondents of the Census and Statistics Office.

In Table 15 the results are given of the compilation of the returns received for wheat, and wheat flour expressed as wheat, as compared with the results of the similar inquiry of March 31, 1916. In these tables the data respecting grain in farmers' hands on March 31, 1916 and 1917, have been corrected to correspond with the results of the Census of the Prairie Provinces, taken in 1916.