

Average Wages of Farm Help.—The average wages paid for farm help during the year 1917 increased substantially since 1916 and again reached the highest level on record. In many cases they were double what they were before the war. (See Table 12.) For the whole of Canada, the wages per month of farm help during the summer, including board, averaged \$63.63 for male and \$34.31 for female help, as compared with \$43.23 and \$22.46 in 1916. For the year 1917, including board, the wages averaged \$610.60 for males and \$364 for females, as compared with \$397 and \$228 in 1916. The average value of board per month was returned as \$19.44 for males and \$14.79 for females, as compared with \$17 for males and \$13 for females in 1916. By provinces, the average wages per month for males and females respectively, in the summer season, including board, were as follows: Prince Edward Island, \$39.74 and \$22.63; Nova Scotia, \$53.75 and \$26.43; New Brunswick, \$57.19 and \$28.14; Quebec, \$59.09 and \$28.98; Ontario, \$59 and \$31.96; Manitoba, \$67.97 and \$40.28; Saskatchewan, \$73.21 and \$41.09; Alberta, \$76.09 and \$44.44; British Columbia, \$78.12 and \$48.30.

12.—Average Wages of Farm Help in Canada, as estimated by Crop Correspondents, 1909, 1910, 1914-1917.

Provinces.	Per month in summer season, including board.		Per year, including board.		Average value of board per month.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Canada.....						
1909..	33 69	19 08	336 29	206 08	10 00	8 00
1910..	35 15	20 70	347 70	209 69	12 49	9 56
1914..	35 55	18 81	323 30	189 35	14 27	11 24
1915..	37 10	20 20	341 00	200 00	14 57	11 45
1916..	43 23	22 46	396 88	227 86	16 90	13 06
1917..	63 63	34 31	610 60	364 00	19 44	14 79
P. E. Island.....						
1909..	25 27	13 87	226 47	144 27	8 00	6 00
1910..	26 60	15 00	244 89	149 25	10 15	7 60
1914..	24 71	13 48	220 93	135 89	10 12	7 62
1915..	26 67	14 59	237 52	136 80	10 28	9 44
1916..	31 35	17 81	301 35	166 79	12 63	9 22
1917..	39 74	22 63	407 47	253 66	13 50	10 49
Nova Scotia.....						
1909..	31 20	15 00	310 85	165 13	10 00	7 00
1910..	33 70	16 90	321 30	175 60	11 50	7 90
1914..	31 20	14 80	301 00	155 47	11 48	8 11
1915..	32 95	15 85	309 78	168 81	11 66	8 36
1916..	38 77	19 11	364 91	194 88	15 84	11 29
1917..	53 75	26 43	542 66	296 06	16 59	11 67
New Brunswick....						
1909..	32 59	16 02	239 55	172 13	10 00	8 00
1910..	33 90	16 70	289 40	151 65	11 25	7 50
1914..	31 93	15 10	301 55	164 79	11 23	7 76
1915..	33 73	16 11	307 96	153 44	14 17	8 48
1916..	35 74	16 66	328 02	163 91	13 58	9 61
1917..	57 19	28 14	572 23	305 56	18 14	12 63
Quebec.....						
1909..	33 33	16 75	330 97	176 89	10 00	8 00
1910..	36 40	18 98	313 41	177 94	11 56	8 00
1914..	33 56	15 65	296 35	152 38	13 29	9 37
1915..	33 08	16 44	301 00	159 00	13 37	9 60
1916..	40 79	19 70	370 92	195 79	15 77	10 95
1917..	59 09	28 98	523 40	286 53	17 49	12 11