

49.—Occupied Farms in the Prairie Provinces, Areas and Acreages of Improved Land and of Land under Crop, Censuses of 1916, 1921 and 1926.

Provinces and Years.	No. farms.	Area farms.	Average area of farm.	Improved land.	Average area improved land per farm.	Land in field crops.	Average area in field crops per farm.
	No.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Manitoba.....	1916	46,580	13,436,670	288.5	7,187,787	154.3	5,116,661
	1921	53,252	14,615,844	274.2	8,057,823	151.3	5,857,635
	1926	53,251	14,411,597	270.6	8,346,021	156.7	6,261,417
Saskatchewan.....	1916	104,606	36,800,698	353.8	19,632,206	188.8	13,973,382
	1921	119,451	44,022,907	368.1	25,037,401	209.6	17,822,481
	1926	117,781	45,945,410	389.7	27,714,490	235.3	19,558,964
Alberta.....	1916	67,977	23,062,767	339.3	7,510,303	110.5	5,505,872
	1921	82,954	29,293,053	352.5	11,768,042	141.9	8,523,190
	1926	77,130	28,572,987	370.5	13,204,114	171.2	9,166,700
All Prairie Provinces.....	1916	218,563	73,300,135	335.4	34,330,246	157.1	24,595,915
	1921	255,657	87,931,804	343.9	44,863,265	175.5	32,263,305
	1926	248,162	88,929,994	358.4	49,264,625	198.5	34,987,081

Value of Farm Property in the Prairie Provinces.—The total value of the farm property in the three provinces declined from \$3,255,894,259 in 1921 to \$2,609,416,646 in 1926, each item in the total showing a decrease. As compared with 1916, however, when average prices and values were more nearly comparable with those of 1926, there was a substantial increase in land values, and a great increase in the value of buildings and of implements and machinery, but a decline in the value of live stock. Details are given in Table 50.

50.—Value of Farm Property in the Prairie Provinces, by Items and Provinces, Censuses of 1916, 1921 and 1926.

Provinces and Years.	Land.	Buildings.	Implements and Machinery.	Live stock.	Total.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Manitoba.....	1916	296,223,054	62,033,267	35,909,952	77,351,048	471,517,321
	1921	380,855,811	112,955,195	67,847,699	75,729,340	637,388,045
	1926	266,312,768	95,949,813	57,963,670	55,485,480	475,711,736
Saskatchewan.....	1916	719,967,434	101,419,322	88,935,911	192,536,065	1,102,858,732
	1921	1,060,510,192	216,398,082	176,675,721	196,485,201	1,650,069,196
	1926	818,721,366	214,965,746	169,530,167	140,140,547	1,343,357,826
Alberta.....	1916	366,216,578	55,094,424	40,979,082	137,428,755	599,716,819
	1921	610,526,401	121,765,499	98,814,513	137,330,605	968,437,018
	1926	490,313,369	117,247,284	87,813,452	94,972,979	790,347,084
Prairie Provinces.....	1916	1,382,407,066	218,547,013	165,824,925	407,213,868	2,174,002,872
	1921	2,051,892,404	451,118,776	343,337,933	409,545,146	3,255,894,259
	1926	1,575,347,503	428,162,848	315,307,289	290,599,006	2,609,416,646

Value of Farm Production.—According to Table 51, the aggregate value of agricultural production in the Prairie Provinces was \$739,133,455 in 1925, as compared with \$37,332,154 in 1900, an increase of nearly twenty-fold in the first quarter of the present century. As the corresponding figure in 1920 was \$625,975,232, there was a substantial increase of \$113,158,223 or about 18 p.c. in the last quinquennium.