

30.—Values of the Dairy Production of Canada, by Provinces, 1925, with Dominion Totals for 1925-29.

Province.	Dairy Butter.	Creamery Butter.	Home-made Cheese.	Factory Cheese.	Miscellaneous Factory Products.	Milk Consumed Fresh or Otherwise used.	All Products.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island....	350,000	745,069	100	243,452	63,670	1,553,000	2,955,231
Nova Scotia.....	2,501,000	1,777,183	100	3,794	1,069,484	6,112,000	11,463,561
New Brunswick.....	1,838,000	747,024	100	109,218	332,293	5,657,000	8,733,635
Quebec.....	6,745,000	20,366,452	23,000	6,239,139	2,567,023	50,757,000	86,697,614
Ontario.....	6,363,000	23,652,187	13,000	14,529,309	14,238,774	56,931,000	115,757,270
Manitoba.....	1,968,000	5,724,640	18,000	106,351	640,075	5,947,000	14,404,066
Saskatchewan.....	5,280,000	5,541,464	2,000	30,091	864,208	11,407,000	23,124,763
Alberta.....	3,080,000	5,825,248	25,000	198,047	674,130	9,126,000	18,928,425
British Columbia.....	754,000	1,520,515	1,500	11,929	1,642,288	5,748,000	9,678,232
<b>Totals, 1925.....</b>	<b>28,929,000</b>	<b>65,929,782</b>	<b>82,800</b>	<b>21,471,330</b>	<b>22,061,645</b>	<b>153,235,000</b>	<b>291,742,857</b>
" 1925.....	29,143,000	64,702,538	82,000	20,494,463	20,581,430	152,461,856	297,625,347
" 1927.....	30,435,121	65,708,966	70,454	25,522,148	18,879,335	154,257,346	294,874,590
" 1928.....	28,252,777	61,753,390	69,249	28,807,841	17,767,271	149,443,460	277,384,979
" 1929.....	32,128,799	63,068,097	95,073	36,571,556	16,982,747	136,177,373	254,863,645

Subsection 6.—Fruit Farming.

The wild fruits of Canada are numerous and varied. Currants, gooseberries, raspberries and strawberries grow wild almost as far north as the Arctic circle, the flavour being unexcelled by that of cultivated varieties. The blueberry grows in great profusion over a large part of Eastern Canada, while the cranberry is found over wide areas throughout the Dominion. Other wild fruits include the saskatoon or juneberry of the Prairie Provinces, the choke cherry, the pin or bird cherry, the buffalo berry, the blackberry, the salmon-berry and the cloud-berry. Wild plums are found all through the eastern provinces and wild grapes as far northwestward as Manitoba.

It is usual in the farms of Eastern Canada to find orchard or garden fruits produced for household needs, if not for sale as ordinary farm products. Fruit growing as a specialized form of agriculture is a comparatively recent development. The building of the railways and the introduction of refrigerator cars provided the means by which perishable fruits might be rapidly distributed throughout the Dominion from districts where climatic and soil conditions were particularly favourable to the cultivation of fruit. While commercial fruit growing is by no means restricted to a few districts and is often a feature of agricultural production in suburban areas, certain districts are nevertheless noted as being the more important centres of fruit production. The Annapolis and adjacent valleys in Nova Scotia, the Niagara peninsula of Ontario and the Okanagan valley in British Columbia are outstanding, but the northern shore of lake Ontario, the Georgian Bay district, the areas adjacent to Montreal, the lower British Columbia mainland and Vancouver island are also noted for their fruit crops.

Small fruits such as strawberries, raspberries, currants and gooseberries are produced widely throughout Canada. For 1929 the strawberry crop attained the record quantity of over 14,400,000 quarts worth \$1,797,000, in spite of the fact that the average price obtained was only 12c per quart. A better average price was obtained for raspberries than in any year since 1925, and the total value of this crop was greater than in any year since 1923. The smaller fruits grown for sale generally find a market in nearby towns or cities, although many ship-