

The construction of large irrigation projects in the Prairie Provinces has been confined, up to the present, to Alberta. Table 48, furnished by the Dominion Water Power and Hydrometric Bureau, Department of the Interior, gives statistics of the larger irrigation projects in Alberta for the year 1930.

48.—Major Irrigation Projects in Southern Alberta, 1930.

Project.	Source of Supply.	Irrigable Area.	Length of Canals.	Area Irrigated in 1929.
		acres.	miles.	acres.
C.P.R. Western Section.....	Bow river.....	218,980	1,472	37,394
C.P.R. Eastern Section.....	Bow river.....	400,000	2,500	78,610
C.P.R. Lethbridge Section.....	St. Mary river.....	89,000	196	25,713
Canada Land and Irrigation Co., Ltd.....	Bow river.....	125,500	418	25,910
Taber Irrigation District.....	St. Mary river.....	21,570	95	10,094
Lethbridge Northern Irrigation District.....	Oldman river.....	101,336	573	61,231
United Irrigation District.....	Belly river.....	34,235	175	3,102
New West Irrigation District.....	Bow river.....	4,501	21	3,182
Magrath Irrigation District.....	St. Mary river.....	6,975	90	4,000
Raymond Irrigation District.....	St. Mary river.....	15,130	15	
<b>Totals.....</b>		<b>1,017,227</b>	<b>5,555</b>	<b>249,236</b>

In addition to the irrigated tracts enumerated in Table 48 there were at September 30, 1930, in Alberta and Saskatchewan, about 620 privately owned projects, making possible the irrigation of a further 96,000 acres.

**Average Value of Farm Lands.**—Statistics showing the average value of farm lands in Canada in 1910, in 1914 and in more recent years are given in Table 49. The values are as estimated by crop correspondents and show the rise in land values between 1914 and 1920, the general decline with moderate fluctuations since the latter date and the rapid fall in 1930 to a point below the 1910 level for the country as a whole. The figures are interesting as indicative of the trend of land values.

49.—Average Values per Acre of Occupied Farm Lands<sup>1</sup> in Canada, as Estimated by Crop Correspondents, 1910, 1915-30.

Province.	1910	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>32</b>
P.E. Island.....	31	38	39	44	44	51	49	46	45	51	40	45	46	41	44	43	42
Nova Scotia.....	25	28	34	34	36	41	43	35	34	31	33	37	36	37	34	36	30
New Brunswick.....	19	22	29	29	35	32	35	28	32	32	27	34	31	30	31	35	28
Quebec.....	43	51	52	53	57	72	70	59	58	56	53	54	53	57	54	55	48
Ontario.....	48	52	53	55	57	66	70	63	64	64	65	67	62	65	62	60	52
Manitoba.....	29	30	32	31	32	35	39	35	32	28	28	29	29	27	27	26	22
Saskatchewan.....	23	24	23	26	29	32	32	29	28	24	24 <sup>2</sup>	24	25	26	27	25	22
Alberta.....	24	23	22	27	28	29	32	28	24	24	25	26	26	26	28	28	24
British Columbia.....	74	125	119	149	149	174	175	122	120	100	96	88	80	89	90	90	76

<sup>1</sup> Orchards and Fruit Lands, 1930, with 1929 in brackets:—Nova Scotia \$94 (\$118); Ontario \$110 (\$147); British Columbia \$291 (\$314).

<sup>2</sup> Actual returns were not collected from crop correspondents in Saskatchewan for 1924, and the estimate of 1924 is interpolated.