

by the provincial Departments and represent for the most part average wholesale prices; for British Columbia, the values, as in previous years, have been calculated on what is considered a fair average of the wholesale and retail prices.

Statistics of beeswax, where not furnished by the provinces, have been estimated at 1.5 p.c. of the honey crop and valued at the average price of 25 cents per lb. in 1936 and 27 cents per lb. in 1935.

Table 31 shows for Canada, by provinces, the numbers of beekeepers, numbers of hives, average production per colony, and the production and values of honey and wax for the years 1935 and 1936. Production in 1936 showed an increase of 16 p.c. in volume and 17 p.c. in value.

Figures of honey production, as at the Censuses of 1921 and 1931, were given at p. 285 of the 1934-35 edition of the Year Book.

31.—Production and Values of Honey and Beeswax in Canada, by Provinces, 1935 and 1936.

Province and Year.	Bee-keepers.	Hives.	Honey.				Beeswax.		Total Value, Honey and Wax.
			Average Yield per Hive.	Total Production.	Average Price per lb.	Total Value.	Production.	Value.	
	No.	No.	lb.	lb.	cts.	\$	lb.	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island.....									
1935	1	1	1	9,500	10.0	950	140	40	990
1936	1	1	1	14,000	11.0	1,500	210	60	1,560
Nova Scotia.....									
1935	250	1,160	48.8	56,600	15.9	9,000	1,300	400	9,400
1936	250	1,200	45.0	60,000	15.0	9,000	1,000	300	9,300
New Brunswick.....									
1935	1	1	1	50,000	13.9	6,950	750	200	7,150
1936	1	1	1	50,000	13.0	6,500	750	200	6,700
Quebec.....									
1935	5,800	60,000	67.0	4,013,600	9.5	380,800	46,800	12,600	393,400
1936	6,800	71,500	75.3	5,395,500	8.9	482,900	69,400	18,000	500,900
Ontario.....									
1935	8,200	195,000	60.0	11,700,000	7.4	864,500	152,100	42,500	907,000
1936	8,200	195,000	46.0	8,970,000	8.0	717,600	110,200	30,850	748,450
Manitoba.....									
1935	3,300	51,400	97.0	5,018,700	7.1	354,600	49,500	12,400	367,000
1936	3,440	51,300	158.6	8,135,500	7.0	569,000	82,000	16,400	585,400
Saskatchewan.....									
1935	2,680	14,100	74.7	1,051,400	11.2	117,700	15,800	4,300	122,000
1936	2,990	17,100	155.1	2,636,300	10.0	263,100	39,500	9,100	272,200
Alberta.....									
1935	1,000	13,500	84.2	1,100,000	9.0	99,000	13,750	3,700	102,700
1936	1,150	12,200	152.0	1,850,000	9.0	166,500	27,750	6,400	172,900
British Columbia..									
1935	3,130	22,750	56.9	1,291,200	15.0	193,700	12,900	3,300	197,000
1936	3,080	21,000	53.7	1,129,700	15.0	169,500	11,300	2,800	172,300
Totals.....									
1935	1	1	1	24,291,000	8.3	2,027,200	293,040	79,440	2,106,640
1936	1	1	1	28,241,000	8.4	2,385,600	342,110	84,110	2,469,710

¹ Information not available for Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

Subsection 7.—Farm Labour and Wages.

Average Wages of Farm Help.—The cost of farm labour reached its highest point in 1920. In the next two years there was a rapid drop, while from 1923 until 1929 there was little change. The years 1930 to 1933 showed continuous marked reductions in average values of yearly wages and board, following the downward trend of the prices of farm produce. From 1934 to 1937 slight increases were registered.