

44.—Rural and Urban Farms, Farm Populations and Average Numbers of Persons per Farm, by Provinces, Census of 1941

Province	Farms			Farm Population			Averages of Persons per Farm		
	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Is...	12, 144	86	12, 230	50, 732	335	51, 067	4.18	3.90	4.18
Nova Scotia.....	32, 401	576	32, 977	141, 182	2, 527	143, 709	4.30	4.39	4.36
New Brunswick.....	31, 731	158	31, 889	163, 067	639	163, 706	5.14	4.04	5.13
Quebec.....	151, 850	2, 819	154, 669	823, 791	15, 070	838, 861	5.43	5.35	5.42
Ontario.....	175, 749	2, 455	178, 204	694, 684	9, 736	704, 420	3.95	3.97	3.95
Manitoba.....	57, 810	214	58, 024	248, 684	915	249, 599	4.30	4.28	4.30
Saskatchewan.....	138, 370	343	138, 713	513, 279	1, 398	514, 677	3.71	4.08	3.71
Alberta.....	98, 985	747	99, 732	380, 693	3, 271	383, 964	3.85	4.38	3.85
British Columbia.....	25, 980	414	26, 394	100, 810	1, 636	102, 446	3.88	3.95	3.88
Totals.....	725, 020	7, 812	732, 832	3, 116, 922	35, 527	3, 152, 449	4.30	4.55	4.30

Farm Workers.—In Canada as a whole farm workers, male and female, who were members of the family constituted 31.8 p.c. of the total farm population.

Of the 732,832 farms in Canada, only 267,337 or 36.5 p.c. employed hired help. The percentage of farms employing hired help was highest in Ontario with 46.9 p.c. and lowest in Quebec with 26.4 p.c. On those farms reporting hired help there was an average of 26.7 weeks of such labour, and 3.7 p.c. of all farm workers in Canada were hired on a yearly basis. The average cost of hired labour was highest in British Columbia at \$14.62 per week and lowest in Prince Edward Island at \$8.58 per week.

The above percentages for 1941 showed very little change over those for the 1931 Census. The 1931 census figures indicated that 33.2 p.c. of the total farm workers consisted of members of the family and that 38.6 p.c. of the farms of Canada employed hired help. According to that census, the percentage of farms in Ontario reporting hired help was 44.7, Prince Edward Island 43.3, Nova Scotia 27.9 and Quebec 28.2, and an average of 26.2 weeks of hired labour was reported for the whole of Canada.

45.—Farm Workers, Weeks of Hired Labour and Cost of Labour, by Provinces, Census of 1941

(Farm workers, for the week ending May 31, 1941)

Item	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Farm Workers ¹	20, 755	52, 120	54, 716	284, 683	317, 416
Members of family ² , male.....	15, 986	42, 187	44, 773	238, 968	241, 055
" " female.....	234	970	540	1, 937	3, 673
" " total.....	16, 220	43, 157	45, 313	240, 905	244, 728
Hired labour ³ , year round, male.....	557	1, 399	1, 325	8, 844	17, 769
" " year round, female.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	400	51
" " by month, male.....	1, 275	2, 271	2, 586	13, 064	22, 306
" " by month, female.....	2	6	3	537	31
" " by day, male.....	2, 053	5, 287	5, 436	20, 405	30, 140
" " by day, female.....	48	Nil	53	528	2, 391
Weeks of hired labour, 1940.....	95, 855	230, 178	200, 673	988, 585	2, 476, 806
Farms reporting hired labour, 1940.....	5, 334	11, 584	10, 849	40, 785	83, 537
Cost of labour, 1940 ⁴	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Average cost per week, 1940.....	\$22, 820	2, 401, 090	2, 175, 770	9, 559, 960	28, 685, 010
	8.58	10.43	10.84	9.67	11.58

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