

13.—Leading Imports Over Three Decades, 1920-43—concluded

Commodity	1920 ¹	1930	1940	1941	1942	1943
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Engines and boilers.....	12,997,757	10,827,352	12,385,134	32,733,875	19,581,827	46,999,089
Fruits.....	33,463,270	30,973,926	27,942,504	30,600,162	31,769,375	46,884,506
Cotton, raw.....	33,854,457	14,216,310	25,057,813	31,766,975	40,358,275	33,277,071
Wool, raw.....	2,672,211	3,194,583	13,174,896	16,495,947	24,518,510	26,904,032
Sugar and products.....	73,618,354	26,496,027	29,114,803	29,505,830	17,915,490	25,925,994
Aluminum.....	2,747,385	6,296,272	8,945,554	10,208,156	14,541,289	25,142,045
Woolen goods, carpets.....	45,545,127	27,930,638	17,047,437	20,710,157	22,162,207	23,751,329
Rubber products.....	18,059,435	12,842,452	35,114,831	39,136,544	23,136,069	22,920,967
Farm implements, etc.....	14,578,106	21,944,231	30,673,217	30,972,047	23,643,799	20,228,341
Petroleum, refined.....	10,566,592	22,638,611	13,837,540	14,777,050	19,888,064	19,591,546
Books and printed matter.....	11,228,018	16,827,309	16,655,462	14,844,972	16,052,269	17,961,897
Flax, hemp and jute.....	15,923,836	11,807,906	14,993,003	13,762,437	13,070,140	15,195,131
Vegetables.....	5,722,600	9,363,138	7,711,990	7,100,407	9,244,953	14,121,096
Clay and products.....	6,371,567	10,746,681	11,125,118	14,620,756	14,918,338	13,446,817
Oils, vegetable.....	15,973,417	11,517,903	10,049,902	14,018,310	10,766,851	12,451,354
Silk, artificial.....	a	13,780,922	6,692,400	10,315,142	10,731,278	12,066,775
Tea.....	8,336,163	12,659,556	10,805,144	11,536,218	11,444,930	11,879,425
Stone and products.....	3,687,702	7,059,423	7,584,272	7,547,271	9,743,410	11,309,682
Coke.....	2,476,450	5,635,212	5,899,180	6,963,158	9,484,469	11,262,998
Paper.....	9,949,574	12,907,658	8,858,180	9,341,390	10,675,315	10,701,738
Glass and glassware.....	6,926,459	8,284,741	10,140,591	12,088,654	11,112,005	10,673,438
Grain and grain products.....	9,806,073	16,627,636	7,387,511	8,189,444	8,609,593	10,078,807
Iron ore.....	4,601,716	3,324,190	5,513,215	7,134,765	6,230,197	9,056,389
Furs.....	12,887,520	9,585,433	8,885,540	9,120,337	6,448,861	8,613,879
Dye, tanning materials.....	5,623,720	3,372,435	7,265,081	10,000,343	8,868,510	7,459,421
Noils, tops, waste wool.....	5,830,957	2,812,234	13,176,253	11,618,209	9,756,065	7,293,532
Hides and skins, raw.....	22,654,661	6,046,567	6,180,839	6,799,210	6,700,266	6,349,456
Leather.....	17,102,702	9,728,114	5,658,836	6,401,413	7,431,166	6,311,822
Paints and varnishes.....	3,821,880	4,663,681	5,500,622	7,695,413	6,420,095	6,281,152
Wood, manufactured.....	7,893,284	9,209,556	5,652,744	6,217,541	6,077,397	6,031,625
Wood, unmanufactured.....	14,112,391	11,028,838	6,933,780	6,335,168	5,372,002	5,582,231

¹ Fiscal year.² None recorded.

Canada's Principal Exports.—In the interpretation of the figures of the commodities exported, as shown in Table 14, the same qualifications apply regarding price changes and business fluctuations as in the case of imports. Furthermore, factors influencing world trade have an important bearing upon trends in Canadian exports. Since agricultural products are still an important element in Canadian exports, variations in crop conditions here and in other parts of the world cause important fluctuations in the year-to-year volume and value of exports.

At pp. 427-428 of the 1941 edition of the Year Book the effect of long- and short-term fluctuations in Canada's exports is discussed. The effect of the first year of war on Canada's exports is treated at p. 465 of the 1942 Year Book. In comparing the trade of 1943 with that of 1940, the most notable change was the advance in the export of automobiles from sixth to first place, the increase in value being no less than 343.4 p.c., an indication of the way in which Canadian-made transport is finding its way to the battlefronts of the world. Wheat, the leader in 1940, took second place with an increase of 96.1 p.c. Automobile parts, in sixteenth place in 1940, rose to third in 1943, showing an increase of 1,979.2 p.c.; newsprint, however, showed a decline of 4.4 p.c. bringing this commodity from first place to fourth in 1943. Meats occupied fifth place showing an increase of 106.7 p.c. in the three years, reflecting the continued and increasing overseas demand for foodstuffs. Aluminum in bars, etc., still occupied sixth place with an increase in value of 277.5