

domestic market at prices determined by the Oils and Fats Administrator of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. The Board was further required to fill domestic requirements before offering flaxseed for export.

**Oilseeds.**—Under Order in Council P.C. 3222, the Board continued to guarantee minimum prices for sunflower seed and rapeseed on the same basis as in 1945-46.

### Acreage and Production

Wheat acreage in Canada increased from 23,414,100 acres in 1945 to 25,900,000 acres in 1946. This increase in wheat acreage was accompanied by a decrease of over 1,000,000 acres seeded to oats and a decrease of about 600,000 acres seeded to barley.

Total grain and flaxseed production in Canada increased by about 123,000,000 bushels as compared with 1945 while Prairie production increased by over 120,000,000 bushels. The table below shows grain production in Canada and in the Prairie Provinces for the years 1940-46.

Total supplies of wheat showed a substantial decrease of 75,000,000 bushels as compared with the 1945-46 figure due to the smaller inward carryover which more than offset the increase in production in 1946. A table at p. 812 shows total supplies of grain in Canada for the years 1940 to 1946.

### HISTORICAL STATISTICS

**Grain Production.**—The following statement shows grain production (in million bushels) for Canada and for the Prairie Provinces, for the crop years ended July 31, 1940 to 1946:—

Year	Wheat	Oats	Canada			Totals
			Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	
			(million bushels)			
1940.....	540	381	104	14	3	1,042
1941.....	315	306	111	12	6	750
1942.....	557	652	259	25	15	1,508
1943.....	284	482	216	7	18	1,007
1944.....	417	500	195	9	10	1,131
1945.....	318	382	158	6	8	872
1946.....	421	400	160	7	7	995

  

Year	Wheat	Oats	Prairie Provinces			Totals
			Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	
			(million bushels)			
1940.....	514	229	83	12	3	841
1941.....	296	178	95	10	6	585
1942.....	529	500	241	23	15	1,308
1943.....	268	392	204	6	18	888
1944.....	411	371	178	7	9	976
1945.....	295	273	144	4	7	723
1946.....	400	276	145	6	7	834