

Statistics showing the major changes taking place in agriculture in the Prairie Provinces for the census years between 1921-46 are given in the 1948-49 Year Book; agricultural information in detail is contained in Vol. IV, Census of the Prairie Provinces, 1946.

Agricultural statistics for Newfoundland are given in Vol. II of the Census of Newfoundland and Labrador, 1945.

### Section 5.—International Crop Statistics

Tables 48 and 49 are based on official statistics published by the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations, United States Department of Agriculture, and give the acreages and production of wheat for the harvests of 1948 and 1949, oats, barley and corn for 1949, with averages for the years 1935-39, in the leading countries of the world.

North America led other continents as a producer of wheat in both 1948 and 1949 (if the U.S.S.R. is considered separately from Europe and Asia) with about 27 p.c. and 24 p.c., respectively, of the total world production. The United States alone produced nearly 20 p.c. of the total in 1948 and 18 p.c. in 1949. Although a large exporter of wheat, Canada produced only about 6 p.c. of the world wheat crop in each of the two years.

In 1949 the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was the second largest wheat producing country with 18 p.c. of total world production. China, which held first place in Asia, was third in world production of wheat in the same year, with 13 p.c. of the total.

The acreage sown to wheat in 1949 showed a slight increase of 4 p.c. over that of the previous year, but total production decreased by 170,000,000 bu.

The North American Continent also led in world production of oats and corn in 1949 (the U.S.S.R. being again considered separately) with the United States producing 33 p.c. and 61 p.c., respectively, of the total. Asia was the leading continent for world barley with 31 p.c. of the total, China contributing 14 p.c. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics also produced 14 p.c. of the total, followed closely by the United States with 11 p.c.

#### 48.—Estimated Acreages and Production of Wheat Harvested in 1948 and 1949 in Specified Countries, with Averages, 1935-39

NOTE.—Dashes throughout this table indicate "none reported".

Continent and Country	Acreages			Production		
	Average 1935-39	1948	1949	Average 1935-39	1948	1949
	'000 acres	'000 acres	'000 acres	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	'000 bu.
<b>North America—</b>						
Canada.....	25,595	24,106	27,541	312,399	386,345	367,406
Mexico.....	1,244	1,483	1,310	14,284	18,372	17,269
United States.....	57,293	73,017	76,751	758,629	1,313,534	1,146,463
<b>Totals, North America<sup>1</sup>..</b>	<b>84,170</b>	<b>98,660</b>	<b>105,650</b>	<b>1,086,000</b>	<b>1,719,000</b>	<b>1,532,000</b>
<b>Europe—</b>						
Albania.....	99	—	—	1,507	—	—
Austria.....	630	540	550	15,942	11,000	14,000
Belgium.....	394	385	420	15,887	15,065	21,890
Bulgaria.....	3,362	—	—	69,080	—	—

<sup>1</sup>For footnote, see end of table, p. 422.