

Value of Farm Lands.—The average value of occupied farm land in Canada for 1950 was reported at \$43 per acre. This was an increase of 7.5 p.c. over the 1949 average value but an advance of 79.2 p.c. over the 1935-39 level. The all-Canada average is determined by weighting the provincial averages by the area of occupied farm land in each province according to the latest census figures available. The upward trend in farm land values from pre-war levels reflects, at least in part, the relative changes in the price levels of farm products and of the things that farmers buy. The Bureau's index of farm prices of agricultural products for 1950 was 160.8 p.c. above the 1935-39 level, while for the same year the index of prices of commodities and services used by farmers, including living costs, advanced 95 p.c. over the 1935-39 base-period level.

12.—Average Values per Acre of Occupied Farm Lands, Selected Years, 1910-50

NOTE.—Figures include unimproved lands and buildings.

Province	1910	1920	1927	1929	1932	1935	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland.....	31	49	41	43	31	31	35	32	34	37	37	41	43	42	47	51	52	55
P.E. Island.....	25	43	37	36	28	31	33	28	31	33	35	41	41	42	46	48	49	52
Nova Scotia.....	19	35	30	35	24	25	29	24	25	30	33	40	40	39	44	44	45	51
New Brunswick.....	43	70	57	55	37	41	44	44	50	55	58	58	57	59	61	63	59	66
Quebec.....	48	70	65	60	38	42	46	46	45	48	56	58	57	59	64	68	71	75
Ontario.....	29	39	27	26	16	17	17	16	17	18	19	20	21	25	27	34	36	39
Manitoba.....	22	32	26	25	16	17	15	15	14	15	15	17	18	19	21	24	24	26
Saskatchewan.....	24	32	26	28	17	16	16	16	16	17	18	19	20	21	25	31	33	35
Alberta.....	74	175	89	90	65	58	60	58	60	62	62	64	67	70	75	79	84	87
British Columbia.....																		
Totals.....	33	48	38	37	24	24	25	24	25	26	28	30	30	32	35	39	40	43

Subsection 2.—Volume of Agricultural Production

The index of physical volume of agricultural production, based on the period 1935-39, inclusive, represents a measure of "net farm production". This is achieved by removing duplication, e.g., when feed grains credited to field-crop production also appear in the various forms of live stock and live-stock products.

The high point of the index, 164.2, was reached in 1942; in 1950 it stood at 139.8.

13.—Index Numbers of Physical Volume of Agricultural Production, by Provinces, 1941-50

(1935-39=100. Exclusive of Newfoundland)

NOTE.—For a description of this index, methods and coverage, see D.B.S. *Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics* for July-September, 1949. Figures for 1935-40 are given at p. 420 of the 1950 Year Book.

Year	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
1941.....	90.6	91.3	101.9	106.2	107.4	133.9	110.1	100.9	113.4	108.7
1942.....	121.9	88.5	104.0	121.7	125.0	174.2	247.8	184.2	99.9	164.2
1943.....	102.7	89.6	133.2	112.3 ^r	89.4	152.2	138.1	104.6	114.7	113.7
1944.....	119.2	107.3	136.8	131.1	114.0	145.1	196.4	125.1 ^r	140.0	140.4
1945.....	121.3	80.7	106.7	100.7	107.6	116.8	129.3	97.6	131.1	110.9
1946.....	123.6	100.3	119.6	112.2	117.6	139.1	138.7	122.7	151.9	125.6
1947.....	128.9	86.7	119.0	102.6	107.7	122.1	128.2	115.8	146.8	116.0
1948.....	133.3	91.8	124.3	121.6	119.0	143.8	131.8	118.5	143.7	125.1
1949.....	158.8	105.1	145.8	126.4	124.9	125.7	128.1	98.1	148.7	122.3
1950.....	147.5	105.0	137.0	135.5	131.6	138.4	168.1	126.5	134.4	139.5