

35.—Acreages, Yields and Values of Sugar Beets, and Quantities and Values of Refined Beetroot Sugar Produced, 1950-53, with Average for 1945-49

Year	Sugar Beets					Refined Beetroot Sugar Produced		
	Harvested Area	Yield per Acre	Total Yield	Average Price per Ton	Total Value	Quantity	Value	Price per lb.
	acres	tons	tons	\$	\$	lb.	\$	cts.
Av. 1945-49..	66,000	10.48	690,000	12.74	8,788,000	185,275,000	14,865,000	8.0
1950.....	102,000	10.97	1,119,000	16.39	18,343,000	300,185,000	30,845,000	10.3
1951.....	93,000	10.36	965,000	14.96	14,443,000	247,753,000	26,446,000	10.7
1952.....	93,000	11.04	1,023,000	12.40	12,681,000	298,245,000	29,042,000	9.7
1953P.....	82,000	10.99	900,000	13.02	11,722,000	245,476,000	21,944,000	8.9

Apiculture.—Honey is produced commercially in all provinces of Canada, Ontario being the largest producer. There is a considerable movement of honey from the Prairie Provinces to other parts of Canada. In recent years exports have been small, the United States being the most important external market.

The 1951 crop was the largest since 1948, despite a reduction in the number of bee colonies. In 1952 and 1953 production was lower owing to further reductions in colony numbers and to lower yields after the extremely high production per colony experienced in 1951.

In order to facilitate storage, shipment and uniformity of quality, considerable quantities of Canadian honey are pasteurized. Beekeepers' marketing co-operatives are active in several provinces.

Bees are kept in some of the fruit-growing and greenhouse districts of the country chiefly for purposes of pollination.

36.—Beekeepers and Bee Colonies, Production and Value of Honey and Beeswax, 1950-53, with Average for 1945-49

Year	Bee-keepers	Bee Colonies	Honey				Beeswax		Value of Honey and Wax
			Average Production per Hive	Total Production	Average Price per lb. to Producers	Total Value	Production	Value	
			lb.	lb.	cts.	\$	lb.	\$	
Av.	No.	No.	lb.	lb.	cts.	\$	lb.	\$	\$
1945-49	36,740	539,200	63	33,982,000	19	6,457,000	474,000	213,000	6,670,000
1950.....	22,180	430,000	66	28,351,000	15	4,282,000	425,000	166,000	4,448,000
1951.....	18,900	406,300	101	40,909,000	16	6,445,000	590,000	294,000	6,739,000
1952.....	15,950	385,600	81	31,230,000	15	4,680,000	463,000	217,000	4,897,000
1953.....	13,950	341,300	77	26,384,000	16	4,099,000	390,000	174,000	4,273,000

37.—Honey Production, by Province, 1950-53, with Average for 1945-49

Province	Av. 1945-49	1950	1951	1952	1953
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
Newfoundland.....
Prince Edward Island.....	49	46	71	91	68
Nova Scotia.....	98	81	143	125	137
New Brunswick.....	139	68	151	156	124
Quebec.....	4,065	3,041	5,044	4,398	2,972
Ontario.....	10,378	8,350	20,500	14,900	10,000
Manitoba.....	5,392	5,891	5,400	3,360	4,830
Saskatchewan.....	6,001	4,881	3,600	2,500	3,247
Alberta.....	6,957	4,851	4,500	4,900	3,856
British Columbia.....	903	1,142	1,500	800	1,150
Totals.....	33,982	28,351	40,909	31,230	26,384