

37.—Acreage, Yield and Value of Sugar Beets and Quantity and Value of Refined Beetroot Sugar Produced 1954-56 with Average for 1949-53

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. 1949-53.....	90,634	10.73	972,649	14.81	14,408,000	263,302,843	25,701,756	9.76
1954 ^a	90,453	11.10	1,003,869	12.06	12,107,000	232,074,736	20,170,474	8.69
1955.....	81,908	11.98	981,014	13.42	13,170,000	274,516,924	23,348,325	8.51
1956.....	78,878	11.32	892,955	14.82 ^b	13,230,000 ^b	246,621,644	21,505,407	8.72

Apiculture.—Honey is produced commercially in all provinces of Canada except Newfoundland, 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.

Honey statistics have been compiled on an all-Canada basis since 1924 and show that the largest recorded crop was in 1948 when 45,145,000 lb. were produced. Production in 1956 was 24,272,000 lb.

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.

38.—Beekeepers and Bee Colonies, Production and Value of Honey and Beeswax 1954-56 with Average for 1949-53

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. 1949-53	19,370	407,300	78	31,671,000	15	4,741,000	467,000	207,000	4,949,000
1954 ^a	14,890	339,400	58	19,850,000	17	3,418,000	282,000	125,000	3,543,000
1955.....	14,150	323,600	77	25,031,000	18	4,399,000	367,000	178,000	4,577,000
1956.....	14,410	330,000	74	24,272,000	18	4,419,000	355,000	180,000	4,599,000

39.—Honey Production by Province 1954-56 with Average for 1949-53

Province	Av. 1949-53	1954	1955	1956
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
Newfoundland.....	.. 68	.. 69	.. 66	.. 92
Prince Edward Island.....	118	125	134	161
Nova Scotia.....	128	92	86	101
New Brunswick.....	3,833	3,874	3,717	2,941
Quebec.....	12,567	6,012	7,119	6,372
Ontario.....	5,013	4,163 ^a	5,057	5,000
Manitoba.....	4,046	1,825	3,271	3,348
Saskatchewan.....	4,787	2,636	4,611	4,724
Alberta.....	1,111	1,054	970	1,533
British Columbia.....				
Totals.....	31,671	19,850^a	25,031	24,272