

There has also been a considerable increase during the period in the number of motor trucks on farms in all provinces, the increases ranging from 17.3 p.c. in New Brunswick to 93.4 p.c. in Prince Edward Island. Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, Quebec, Saskatchewan and Alberta reported increases above the national average of 41.3 p.c. The largest numerical increase was reported in Saskatchewan.

The number of automobiles on farms in Canada increased 6.8 p.c. during the period 1951-56, exceeding the 4.5 p.c. increase during the 1941-51 period. All provinces contributed, provincial increases ranging from 1.7 p.c. in Manitoba to 44.9 p.c. in Newfoundland; 330,436 Canadian farms or 57.5 p.c. of all farms reported at least one automobile. Ontario where 75.1 p.c. of the farms reported automobiles and Manitoba where 63.6 p.c. reported automobiles led the provinces in this respect.

Canadian farms reported 25 p.c. more tractors in 1956 than in 1951 and all provinces shared in the increase. Newfoundland had the largest percentage increase with 134.9 p.c. followed by Prince Edward Island with 74.4 p.c. Saskatchewan reported the lowest percentage increase of 13.8 p.c. More than two out of three farms in Canada reported one or more tractors in 1956.

The national average increase between 1951 and 1956 in the number of gasoline engines reported on farms was 36.5 p.c. Six provinces, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia reported increases, with Saskatchewan's advance of 80.6 p.c. contributing two-thirds of the total increase. Decreases in four provinces ranged from 7.7 p.c. in Prince Edward Island and 30.0 p.c. in Quebec to 39.0 p.c. in Newfoundland and 39.4 p.c. in New Brunswick.

52.—Farm Machinery by Province, Censuses of 1931, 1941, 1951 and 1956

Province and Year	Automobiles		Tractors		Motor Trucks		Gasoline Engines		Grain Combines	
	No.	Farms Reporting	No.	Farms Reporting	No.	Farms Reporting	No.	Farms Reporting	No.	Farms Reporting
Newfoundland.....1931	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.....1941	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.....1951	185	169	126	110	507	476	136	118	—	—
.....1956	268	255	296	272	735	686	83	66	—	—
P. E. Island.....1931	3,885	3,741	176	169	369	356	4,193	3,641	—	—
.....1941	3,570	3,485	577	570 ¹	494	465	4,128	3,457	4	4
.....1951	4,147	4,021	2,776	2,714	1,679	1,614	3,813	3,181	18	18
.....1956	4,511	4,305	4,840	4,588	3,247	3,089	3,519	2,658	238	238
Nova Scotia.....1931	10,297	9,982	424	415	1,704	1,633	2,848	2,578	—	—
.....1941	9,430	9,092	1,886	1,330 ¹	2,697	2,475	3,023	2,684	2	2
.....1951	6,970	6,757	4,807	4,056	5,687	5,308	2,178	1,901	16	16
.....1956	8,209	7,804	6,537	6,024	7,200	6,685	2,510	2,025	88	88
New Brunswick.....1931	10,425	9,998	289	279	1,126	1,093	4,505	4,243	—	—
.....1941	8,677	8,403	1,140	1,135 ¹	1,861	1,762	4,344	4,006	15	15
.....1951	7,999	7,808	5,221	5,023	4,786	4,528	2,439	2,299	211	211
.....1956	8,757	8,413	7,641	7,017	5,614	5,197	1,478	1,341	598	598
Quebec.....1931	26,877	25,741	2,417	2,356	5,152	4,939	36,251	34,029	—	—
.....1941	27,026	26,412	5,869	5,758 ¹	6,703	6,365	39,274	36,554	55	55
.....1951	41,602	40,937	31,971	30,835	19,167	18,438	30,692	28,589	420	418
.....1956	52,738	51,492	54,322	50,291	28,758	27,382	21,480	19,446	1,481	1,475
Ontario.....1931	125,716	115,833	18,993	18,318	14,586	13,875	45,380	40,082	—	—
.....1941	128,744	118,829	35,460	34,478 ¹	17,537	16,312	32,801	28,193	796	786
.....1951	114,870	107,031	105,204	92,065	41,486	38,481	20,243	16,524	10,031	9,856
.....1956	117,321	105,574	136,062	105,792	58,041	52,859	24,289	18,214	16,644	16,294
Manitoba.....1931	25,588	24,450	14,366	12,983	3,260	3,123	17,557	13,820	355	351
.....1941	27,074	26,410	22,050	20,948 ¹	7,566	7,248	15,772	12,639	1,714	1,655
.....1951	32,060	30,848	50,984	40,641	21,163	19,937	17,370	14,150	15,268	14,663
.....1956	32,619	31,312	59,265	42,236	28,556	26,255	24,305	18,689	21,425	20,679

¹ Includes duplication where farms had tractors under 15 h.p. and 15 h.p. or over.