

The borrower is required to provide from 10 p.c. to 40 p.c. of the cost of his purchase or project, depending on the loan category to which it belongs. The Federal Government guarantees each bank against loss sustained by it up to an amount equal to 10 p.c. of loans granted by it in a lending period. This guarantee does not apply to any loan made after the aggregate of all loans made by all banks in a given period reaches an amount fixed by statute. The current maximum stands at \$300,000,000. By Dec. 31, 1959, 1,544 claims amounting to \$1,025,188 had been paid under the guarantee since the inception of the Act, representing a net loss ratio of less than one-tenth of one per cent after recoveries have been taken into account.

By the end of 1959, \$751,615,581 or 82.4 p.c. of the total loans made had been repaid. The position at that time was as follows:—

<u>Period</u>	<u>Loans Outstanding</u>	<u>P.C. of Total Loans Outstanding</u>
	\$	
1945-48.....	2,770	0.01
1948-51.....	190,068	0.14
1951-53.....	868,445	0.5
1953-56.....	4,569,616	2.1
1956-59.....	78,872,723	33.0
1959-62 (current period).....	75,807,403	90.6
TOTALS.....	160,311,025	17.6

3.—Loans Made under the Farm Improvement Loans Act, by Purpose and Province, 1958 and 1959, with Cumulative Totals from 1945

Purpose and Province	1958		1959		Cumulative Totals 1945-59	
	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Purpose						
Purchase of agricultural implements.....	55,818	71,787,652	55,795	76,960,785	676,188	787,122,470
Construction, repair or alterations of, or making additions to any buildings or structure on a farm.....	5,910	10,004,024	6,192	11,244,869	47,065	65,131,849
Purchase of livestock.....	6,505	7,041,710	6,699	7,957,750	45,125	41,753,872
Works for the improvement or development of a farm designated in the regulations.....	1,427	1,090,377	1,698	1,400,851	20,137	13,205,908
Irrigation systems.....	142	228,372	184	334,407	435	727,398
Purchase and installation of agricultural equipment or a farm electric system and the alteration and improvement of a farm electric system.....	337	265,317	420	399,267	4,636	3,057,715
Erection or construction of fencing or works for drainage on a farm.....	139	122,288	155	120,590	1,232	927,404
Totals.....	70,278	90,539,743	71,143	98,427,519	794,818	911,926,616
Province						
Newfoundland.....	46	71,756	37	54,711	388	497,667
Prince Edward Island.....	1,127	1,265,038	888	1,065,603	12,072	11,673,977
Nova Scotia.....	871	989,452	826	1,046,093	8,952	8,669,646
New Brunswick.....	783	946,602	684	865,590	7,465	8,241,845
Quebec.....	12,187	16,442,748	10,344	14,677,615	82,077	99,558,409
Ontario.....	12,796	17,735,160	12,874	19,109,964	121,673	144,248,120
Manitoba.....	7,164	8,876,186	7,825	10,425,581	95,861	105,116,905
Saskatchewan.....	16,077	19,766,505	17,810	23,506,750	228,401	265,712,856
Alberta.....	17,335	21,793,131	17,851	24,584,293	215,037	242,015,101
British Columbia.....	1,892	2,653,165	2,004	3,091,319	22,892	26,192,090