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 \$400,000,000. By Dec. 31, 1960, 1,752 claims amounting to \$1,192,594 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 1960, \$836,245,952 or 82.4 p.c. of the total loans made had been repaid. The position at that time was as follows:—

Period	Loans Outstanding	P.C. of Total Loans Outstanding
	\$	
1945-48.	1,253	0.01
1948–51	110.788	0.08
1951-53	496,029	0.26
1953-56	2,406,133	1.09
1956-59	35, 725, 815	15.0
1959-62 (current period)	138,796,392	74.8
Totals	177,536,410	17.6
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3.—Loans Made under the Farm Improvement Loans Act, by Purpose and Province, 1959 and 1960, with Cumulative Totals from 1945

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Purpose and Province	1959		1960		Cumulative Totals 1945-60	
	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Purpose						
Purchase of agricultural implements	55,795	76,960,785	52,811	79,942,352	728,999	867,064,822
Construction, repair or alterations of, or making additions to any buildings or structure on a farm	6, 192	11,244,869	5,196	10,064,430	52,261	75 , 196, 279
Purchase of livestock	6,699	7,957,750	7,744	9,624,919	52,869	51,378,791
Works for the improvement or development of a farm designated in the regulations	1,698	1,409,851	1,558	1,312,991	21,695	14,518,899
Irrigation systems	184	334,407	152	277,889	587	1,005,287
Purchase and installation of agricultural equipment or a farm electric system and the alteration and improvement of a farm electric system	420	399,267	404	470,996	5,040	3,528,711
Erection or construction of fencing or works for drainage on a farm	155	120,590	176	162, 169	1,408	1,089,573
Totals	71,143	98,427,519	68,041	101,855,746	862,859	1,013,782,362
Province						ļ
Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	37 888 826 684 10,344 12,874 7,825 17,810 17,851 2,004	54,711 1,065,603 1,046,093 865,590 14,677,615 19,109,964 10,425,581 23,506,750 24,584,293 3,091,319	49 1,127 644 654 8,450 11,881 7,519 19,242 16,717 1,758	73,567 1,407,752 858,137 1,022,908 13,019,863 18,737,174 11,010,932 28,222,359 24,637,398 2,865,656	437 13,199 9,596 8,119 90,527 133,554 103,380 247,643 231,754 24,650	571, 234 13, 081, 729 9, 527, 783 9, 264, 753 112, 578, 272 162, 985, 294 116, 127, 837 293, 935, 215 266, 652, 499 29, 057, 746