

somewhat wider area than are tree fruits. In Nova Scotia, for example, considerable quantities of strawberries are grown in Colchester County and farther north, as well as in the apple producing areas of the Annapolis Valley. In British Columbia most of the strawberries are grown in the Fraser Valley rather than in the predominantly tree-fruit producing area of the Okanagan Valley.

Raspberries are grown commercially in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec but the bulk of the crop is produced in Ontario and British Columbia. The Fraser Valley of British Columbia is the most important producing area.

Wild blueberries are harvested on a commercial scale in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec. This crop is indigenous to certain lands in these areas. Individuals who harvest the wild berries may undertake to burn the land from time to time for weed control and to effect pruning, dusting is often carried out to control insects, and bees are sometimes introduced to achieve better pollination. A large percentage of the crop is frozen and exported. Some blueberries are picked for sale in other provinces but no statistics of this trade are available. There is also some production of cultivated blueberries, particularly in British Columbia.

A marketing system has been developed for distributing fresh fruit from the specialized production areas to all parts of the country and a large proportion of the deciduous fruit consumed in Canada is grown domestically. Considerable quantities of apples, strawberries and blueberries are exported.

Canning and processing industries have developed in the fruit growing districts and, although the importance of the processing market varies with different fruits, it provides a valuable outlet for substantial proportions of most Canadian-grown fruit crops.

Tables 27 and 28 show the estimated commercial production of fruit, by kind, for the years 1960-62 and by province for 1957-62.

27.—Estimated Commercial Production and Farm Value of Fruit, 1960-62

Kind of Fruit and Year	Quantity	Weight	Farm Value	Kind of Fruit and Year	Quantity	Weight	Farm Value
	'000 bu.	'000 lb.	\$'000		'000 bu.	'000 lb.	\$'000
<b>Apples—</b>				<b>Cherries (sour)—</b>			
1960.....	14,914	671,130	23,147	1960.....	254	12,700	1,326
1961.....	16,521	743,445	23,077	1961.....	526	26,300	2,307
1962.....	18,069	813,115	..	1962.....	216	10,800	..
<b>Pears—</b>				<b>Strawberries—</b>	'000 qt.		
1960.....	1,528	76,400	3,209	1960.....	26,114	33,880	5,734
1961.....	1,477	73,850	3,101	1961.....	23,022	30,112	5,318
1962.....	1,681	84,050	..	1962.....	20,768	27,198	..
<b>Plums and Prunes—</b>				<b>Raspberries—</b>			
1960.....	467	23,350	970	1960.....	11,899	16,760	3,126
1961.....	578	28,900	1,257	1961.....	9,469	13,103	2,587
1962.....	412	20,600	..	1962.....	8,048	11,320	..
<b>Peaches—</b>				<b>Loganberries—</b>	'000 lb.		
1960.....	2,362	118,100	6,137	1960.....	1,095	1,095	163
1961.....	3,074	153,700	6,674	1961.....	1,203	1,203	167
1962.....	2,348	117,400	..	1962.....	1,112	1,112	..
<b>Apricots—</b>				<b>Grapes—</b>			
1960.....	305	15,270	674	1960.....	113,167	113,167	4,899
1961.....	265	13,250	626	1961.....	85,237	85,237	4,325
1962.....	306	15,300	..	1962.....	88,592	88,592	..
<b>Cherries (sweet)—</b>				<b>Blueberries—</b>			
1960.....	201	10,050	1,893	1960.....	19,604	19,604	2,383
1961.....	306	15,300	2,403	1961.....	18,063	18,063	1,823
1962.....	423	21,150	..	1962.....	18,219	18,219	..