

Farm Implement Sales.—The value, at wholesale prices, of new farm implements and equipment sold in 1961 amounted to \$201,777,000, a decrease of 7.2 p.c. from the value of such sales in 1960. Increases reported by the Atlantic Provinces, Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia did not offset decreased sales in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. In addition to the amount spent on new machinery, \$39,643,554 was spent in 1961 for repair parts, 4.0 p.c. less than the amount so spent in 1960.

9.—Sales of Farm Implements and Equipment, by Major Group, 1957-61

(Values at wholesale prices)

Major Group	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	Percentage Change 1960-61
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Tractors and engines.....	56,651	63,171	78,938	80,093	74,764	- 6.7
Ploughs.....	8,952	9,790	11,189	11,635	11,460	- 1.5
Tilling, cultivating and weeding machinery.....	7,845	9,656	11,920	12,650	12,939	+ 2.3
Planting, seeding and fertilizing machinery.....	6,703	7,104	7,894	7,873	8,224	+ 4.5
Haying machinery.....	23,566	26,257	30,655	30,544	29,298	- 4.1
Harvesting machinery.....	23,984	29,851	44,122	46,485	37,631	-19.0
Machines for preparing crops for market or for use	5,556	6,102	7,510	6,261	6,233	- 0.5
Farm wagons, wagon trucks and sleighs.....	1,527	1,900	1,994	2,025	1,910	- 5.7
Barn equipment.....	2,863	3,521	3,869	4,095	4,535	+10.7
Dairy machinery and equipment.....	5,468	6,488	5,139	5,766	5,589	- 3.1
Spraying and dusting equipment.....	1,269	1,558	1,466	1,637	1,758	+ 7.4
Miscellaneous farm equipment.....	5,518	6,616	7,535	8,401	7,436	-11.5
Totals.....	149,902	172,014	212,231	217,465	201,777	- 7.2

10.—Sales of Farm Implements and Equipment, by Province, 1960 and 1961

(Values at wholesale prices)

Province or Region	1960		1961		Percentage Change 1960-61
	Amount	P.C. of Total	Amount	P.C. of Total	
	\$		\$		
Atlantic Provinces.....	7,692,658	3.5	8,165,558	4.0	+ 6.1
Quebec.....	26,792,294	12.3	30,276,680	15.0	+13.0
Ontario.....	49,399,102	22.7	51,005,608	25.3	+ 3.3
Manitoba.....	25,876,486	12.0	18,957,752	9.4	-26.7
Saskatchewan.....	57,359,238	26.4	41,615,395	20.6	-27.4
Alberta.....	44,993,316	20.7	45,722,763	22.7	+ 1.6
British Columbia.....	5,352,089	2.4	6,032,776	3.0	+12.7
Totals.....	217,465,183	100.0	201,776,532	100.0	- 7.2

Sales Financing.—The amount of instalment financing transacted by sales finance companies in 1961 was slightly lower than in 1960 which was, in turn, lower than the high point reached in 1959; balances outstanding at the end of the year reached a peak in 1960 and decreased somewhat in 1961.