

These gains were offset to some extent by smaller participation payments made by the Canadian Wheat Board on previous years' grain crops. Western Canadian farmers, at the time of delivery, are given initial payments and certificates stating the quantities and grades delivered and these certificates entitle the farmers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through subsequent sales of these grains for domestic consumption and export. The share of the surplus accruing to farmers represents the Canadian Wheat Board participation payments. In 1963, these payments amounted to \$124,000,000 compared with \$181,100,000 in 1962.

Income from the sale of flaxseed was also lower than in 1962. Smaller marketings and lower prices brought income from this commodity down by about \$11,000,000 from the \$47,600,000 realized in the previous year.

Livestock and Animal Products.—Cash returns to farmers from the sale of livestock and animal products were estimated to be \$1,867,300,000 in 1963, down slightly from the record high of \$1,884,800,000 reached in 1962; returns from the sale of poultry and dairy products were up in 1963 but income from cattle and calves, at \$639,000,000, was down 6 p.c. from the all-time high of \$680,000,000 realized in the previous year—attributable to both lower prices and smaller marketings. Lower prices also brought returns from hogs down from \$330,300,000 in 1962 to \$321,000,000 in 1963.

Poultry meat production reached a new peak in 1963 and cash income from this source amounted to \$168,900,000 compared with \$153,300,000 a year earlier. Although egg production was below the 1962 level, prices rose sufficiently to provide receipts of \$148,400,000, nearly \$7,000,000 above the previous year.

4.—Cash Income from the Sale of Farm Products, 1961-63

Item	1961*	1962*	1963
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Grains, Seeds and Hay	794,765	916,939	959,377
Wheat.....	487,320	527,059	599,281
Wheat participation payments.....	122,330	152,523	123,968
Oats.....	23,900	33,496	45,584
Oats participation payments.....	8,928	4,301	—
Barley.....	63,813	52,326	68,550
Barley participation payments.....	2,022	24,244	—
Canadian Wheat Board net cash advance payments.....	-34,538	5,916	11,203
Rye.....	4,946	8,809	7,803
Flaxseed.....	49,770	47,621	36,366
Rapeseed.....	17,047	10,127	11,715
Soybeans.....	12,649	14,906	13,463
Corn.....	21,866	24,331	27,910
Clover and grass seed.....	11,541	10,136	13,073
Hay and clover.....	3,171	1,144	461
Vegetables and Other Field Crops	227,330	226,825	260,576
Potatoes.....	38,101	37,025	41,969
Vegetables.....	74,002	79,585	78,220
Sugar beets.....	12,525	13,706	26,138
Tobacco.....	102,752	96,509	114,249
Livestock and Poultry	1,162,423	1,174,355	1,138,602
Cattle and calves.....	628,842	680,055	638,992
Sheep and lambs.....	11,678	10,681	9,741
Hogs.....	317,745	330,301	321,007
Poultry.....	144,158	153,318	168,862
Dairy Products	533,978	536,752	547,834
Fruits	53,722	57,960	61,645
Other Principal Farm Products	157,634	157,131	166,189
Eggs.....	141,970	141,601	148,381
Wool.....	3,003	2,812	2,594
Honey.....	5,605	5,312	7,487
Maple products.....	7,056	7,406	7,727
Miscellaneous Farm Products	35,954	35,431	35,593
Forest Products	27,841	26,580	26,475