

Strawberries are grown commercially in all provinces for which tree-fruit statistics are prepared, as well as in Prince Edward Island. However, this crop is produced over a 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.

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 areas in these provinces and a large percentage of the crop is frozen and exported. 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.

Tables 23 and 24 show the estimated commercial production of fruit, by kind, for the years 1963-65 and by province for 1958-65.

23.—Estimated Commercial Production and Farm Value of Fruit, 1963-65

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
Apples—				Plums and Prunes—			
1963.....	23,036	1,036,620	31,028	1963.....	700	35,000	1,434
1964.....	20,952	902,340	31,598	1964.....	668	33,400	1,171
1965.....	22,316	1,004,220	31,007	1965.....	505	25,250	1,209
Apricots—				Raspberries—			
1963.....	99	4,950	327		'000 qt.		
1964.....	387	19,350	754	1963.....	12,664	18,018	3,906
1965.....	2	100	13	1964.....	13,765	19,750	3,854
Cherries (sour)—				1965.....	13,680	19,688	4,173
1963.....	348	17,300	1,716	Strawberries—			
1964.....	604	30,200	2,003	1963.....	24,166	32,223	5,800
1965.....	444	22,200	1,621	1964.....	30,866	41,464	7,939
Cherries (sweet)—				1965.....	18,287	23,310	5,544
1963.....	406	20,300	3,143	Loganberries—			
1964.....	558	27,900	4,603		'000 lb.		
1965.....	242	12,100	2,018	1963.....	1,461	1,461	231
Peaches—				1964.....	1,078	1,078	173
1963.....	2,373	118,650	6,933	1965.....	991	991	168
1964.....	2,862	113,100	8,128	Grapes—			
1965.....	1,506	80,300	5,532	1963.....	106,760	106,760	5,739
Pears—				1964.....	119,595	119,595	6,015
1963.....	1,688	94,400	3,999	1965.....	126,012	126,012	5,440
1964.....	1,999	99,950	3,942	Blueberries—			
1965.....	1,065	53,250	2,661	1963.....	23,954	23,954	2,795
				1964.....	20,861	20,861	3,603
				1965.....	18,145	18,145	4,452