

Wool.—Canada produces only about one tenth of her total wool requirements; imports in 1965 were 65,222,000 lb., about 5 p.c. more than in 1964. Exports were 4,236,000 lb. compared with 3,223,000 lb. in 1964. The apparent domestic consumption of wool shown in Table 30 is determined on the basis of production, exports and imports but does not take into consideration changes in stocks for which the data are not available. Differences in wool utilization from year to year are therefore probably less marked than is indicated by these figures.

30.—Production and Apparent Consumption of Wool, 1961-65

Item	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Shorn Wool Produced—					
Yield per fleece..... lb.	7.8	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.8
Total yield.....'000 lb.	6,169	5,308	5,259	5,065	4,846
Price per pound ¹ cts.	50.2	49.3	51.9	51.5	47.3
Total value.....\$'000	3,094	2,562	2,728	2,611	2,196
Pulled Wool Produced.....'000 lb.	1,287	1,361	1,553	1,281	1,162
Totals, Wool Production.....'000 lb.	7,456	7,169	6,812	6,346	5,808
Apparent wool consumption ²'000 lb.	56,819	57,505	61,956	64,977	66,794

¹ Includes Agricultural Stabilization Act payments of 22 cents per lb. in 1961, 18.26 cents per lb. in 1962, 14.3 cents per lb. in 1963, 12.3 cents per lb. in 1964 and 16.3 cents per lb. in 1965 on qualifying graded wool. ² See text above.

Honey.—As shown in Table 31, honey production was 34 p.c. higher in 1965 than in 1964 and established an all-time record for Canada. The number of colonies and the average yield per colony were both higher than in 1964.

Honey is produced commercially in all provinces except Newfoundland and yields tend to vary considerably from year to year. In 1965, Alberta was the largest producer, surpassing Ontario which had the highest production in 1964. Honey bees are kept in some of the fruit growing districts for purposes of pollination and are also used for the pollination of certain seed crops.

To facilitate storage, shipment and uniformity of quality, large quantities of Canadian honey are pasteurized. Beekeepers' marketing co-operatives are active in several provinces. In 1965, 7,900,000 lb. of honey valued at \$2,070,000 were exported from Canada, the main countries of destination being Britain, West Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg, Norway, Japan and the United States.

31.—Honey and Beeswax Production 1963-65, with Average for 1958-62

Item	Av. 1958-62	1963	1964	1965
Honey—				
Total production.....'000 lb.	31,407	42,142	38,662	49,157
Average production per colony..... lb.	94	117	96	119
Total value.....\$'000	5,248	7,538	6,655	8,665
Beeswax—				
Production.....'000 lb.	464	624	544	733
Value.....\$'000	212	282	252	340
Total Value, Honey and Beeswax.....\$'000	5,457	7,820	6,907	9,005
Beekeepers..... No.	12,836	10,860	10,760	10,350
Bee colonies..... "	333,624	360,060	382,240	413,030