Canada's 1966 wheat crop was estimated at a record 827,338,000 bu., 27 p.c. above the 1965 harvest of 648,917,000 bu. and 65 p.c. above the ten-year (1955-64) average of 501,928,000 bu. Average yield per acre was up by about 22 p.c. over 1965 and seeded acreage by 5 p.c. The average protein content of the 1966 crop of hard red spring wheat was 13.2 p.c. compared with 13.5 p.c. obtained in 1965 and the average of 13.6 p.c. for all Western Spring wheat crops for the period 1927-66.

Total supplies of Canadian feed grains (corn, oats, barley, rye, mixed grains and buckwheat) in the crop year 1966-67 were well above the previous crop year, reflecting a record crop of barley and increased production of grain corn and rye and higher opening stocks of barley and rye. Compared with 1965-66, supplies of oats (Aug. 1, 1966 carryover of 127,163,000 bu. plus the 1966 production of 374,678,000 bu.) were down 8 p.c., supplies of barley (carryover of 97,753,000 bu. plus a crop of 301,235,000 bu.) were up 32 p.c., and supplies of rye totalling 27,792,000 bu. were up 11 p.c. The 1966 record crop of mixed grains at 81,443,000 bu. was up from 74,170,000 bu. in 1965 and production of grain corn was at an all-time high of 65,211,000 bu. Net feed-grain supplies (total supplies less estimated exports, seed requirements and other domestic uses) amounted to 19,400,000 tons, 8 p.c. above the 1965-66 total of 18,000,000 tons and 19 p.c. above the ten-year (1955-64) average of 16,400,000 tons.

A record 26,049,000 tons of tame hay was produced in 1966, 23 p.c. more than in 1965. The 6,643,000 tons of fodder corn produced was also a record and was 29 p.c. higher than in the previous year. The 1966 oilseed crops of soybeans, rapeseed, mustard seed and sunflower seeds were all significantly larger. Potato production at 54,679,000 cwt. was up 18 p.c. over 1965; New Brunswick led the provinces with an output of 14,450,000 cwt., followed by Prince Edward Island, Ontario and Quebec with 10,776,000 cwt., 10,003,000 cwt. and 8,770,000 cwt., respectively. Field roots at 195,000 tons declined 34 p.c. from 1965 although the production of sugar beets showed a marginal increase to 1,167,000 tons from 1,142,000 tons.

11.—Acreages, Yields and Prices of Principal Field Crops 1964-66, with Average for 1959-63

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Crop and Year	Area	Yield per Acre	Pro- duction	Aver- age Price	Total Value	Crop and Year	Area	Yield per Acre	Pro- duction	Aver- age Price	Total Value
	'000 acres	bu.	'000 bu.	\$ per bu.	\$'000	Mixed	'000 acres	bu.	'000 bu.	\$ per bu.	\$'000
Wheat— Av. 1959-63 1964 1965	29,686 28,282	19.7 20.2 22.9 27.9	507,169 600,424 648,917 827,338	1.61 1.59 1.68	817,305 957,209 1,088,697	Grains— Av. 1959–63 1964 1965	1,466 1,431 1,506 1,767	44.1 46.4 49.3 46.1	64,609 66,395 74,170 81,443	0.85 0.86 0.88	55,201 57,379 65,414
Oats— Av. 1959-63 1964 1965	9,466 8,191 8,656 7,924	41.7 43.6 47.9 47.3	394,678 357,178 414,957 374,678	0.67 0.69 0.74	266,342 247,195 305,452	Flaxseed — Av. 1959–63 1964 1965	1,956 1,978 2,320 1,918	9.3 10.3 12.6 11.5	18,280 20,313 29,254 22,020	2.99 2.94 2.71	54,711 59,768 79,228
Barley— Av. 1959-63 1964 1965	6,344 5,455 6,038 7,461	28.6 30.6 35.5 40.4	181,662 166,816 214,555 301,235	0.88 1.00 1.03	159,681 166,249 221,199	Potatoes— Av. 1959–63 1964 1965 1966	291 281 299 319	ewt. 147.7 169.7 155.5 171.5	'000 cwt. 42,980 47,733 46,472 54,679	\$ per cwt. 1.85 2.90 2.60	79,400 138,490 120,760
Rye— Av. 1959–63 1964 1965	586 680 746 726	17.1 18.0 22.4 23.7	10,014 12,220 16,695 17,220	1.03 1.04 1.05	10,285 12,699 17,533	Tame Hay— Av. 1959-63 1964 1965	12,158 12,507 12,690 13,154	ton 1.78 1.71 1.66 1.98	1000 tons 21,612 21,365 21,099 26,049	\$ per ton 15.57 18.52 20.75	336,525 395,593 437,882

¹ Gross value of farm production; does not represent cash income from sales.

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