

31.—Quantity and Value of Commercial Fruit Produced, by Province, 1950-53

Province	Quantity				Value ¹			
	1950	1951	1952	1953	1950	1951	1952	1953
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Newfoundland.....	1,082	1,870	2,165	2,646	130	224	260	304
Prince Edward Island.....	760	900	1,589	1,485	76	99	168	178
Nova Scotia.....	105,299	73,877	79,724	53,080	2,068	1,769	2,229	2,111
New Brunswick.....	18,950	20,831	18,980	13,902	860	1,032	1,184	740
Quebec.....	91,147 ²	166,690	88,585	96,951	3,822 ²	7,099	6,839	7,240
Ontario.....	360,669	393,048	408,151	409,805	14,305	14,762	17,733	20,182
British Columbia.....	466,786	326,071	403,098	375,308 ²	12,935	13,128	15,225	14,978 ²
Totals.....	1,044,693	983,287	1,002,292	953,177	34,196	38,113	43,638	45,733

¹ Farm value (to pickers in the case of blueberries) for unpacked fruit.² Excludes blueberries.

Subsection 8.—Special Crops

Tobacco.—The chief tobacco-growing area of Canada is located in southern Ontario in the counties adjacent to Lake Erie. Most of the cigarette tobacco comes from that district. In Ontario in 1953, 90,800 acres of flue-cured or Bright Virginia type tobacco and 1,096 acres of Burley tobacco were harvested. These are the most important types grown, though dark air-cured and fire-cured tobacco as well as cigar tobacco are grown on a more limited scale. The only other important production comes from Quebec. In 1953, 4,920 acres of flue-cured tobacco, 3,000 acres of cigar tobacco and 1,100 acres of pipe tobacco were harvested in that Province.

A study of Department of National Revenue reports on tax-paid withdrawals of tobacco products reveals changes in the smoking habits of Canadians during the past three decades. In 1922, the first year for which comparable figures are available, the Canadian per capita consumption of cigarettes was 229, cigars 20, cut tobacco 1.3 lb., plug tobacco 1.1 lb. and snuff about 1.3 oz. By 1953, the annual per capita consumption of cigarettes had increased to 1,421, cigars had dropped to 15.9, cut tobacco went up to 1.8 lb. and plug declined considerably.

32.—Acreages, Production and Values of the Commercial Crop of Leaf Tobacco, 1950-53, with Average for 1945-49

Year	Harvested Area	Average Yield per Acre	Total Production	Average Farm Price per lb.	Gross Farm Value
	acres	lb.	lb.	cts.	\$
Av. 1945-49.....	109,709	1,106	121,373,000	36.8	44,655,000
1950.....	101,809	1,182	120,298,000	42.6	51,292,000
1951.....	118,970	1,293	153,792,000	43.1	66,213,000
1952.....	91,639	1,525	139,719,000	40.6	56,797,000
1953.....	101,088	1,377	139,190,000	42.8	59,617,000