

## PREFACE

The 1966 edition of the Canada Year Book continues a series of annual publications giving official statistical and other information on almost every measurable phase of Canada's development. As the economy of the country has expanded, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has endeavoured to present the story of this development, summarizing a great mass of detailed statistical, legislative and other pertinent information concisely within the covers of one volume and supplementing it with data from other Departments of the Federal Government and from the provinces.

Each chapter contains the latest information procurable at the time of printing, the emphasis changing with progress and developments in the field covered and new data added as they become available. The current edition contains a special article on "The Flora of Canada" (pp. 35-61), a subject last covered in the 1938 edition. Also included is specially prepared material on "Mobility of Canada's Population, 1956-1961" (pp. 179-187) and on "Contribution of the Canada Department of Agriculture to Modern Agricultural Science" (pp. 457-461). The chapter on Trends in Economic Aggregates is extended to include, for the first time, a Section on Productivity and a detailed write-up on the program and activities of the Economic Council of Canada and the Atlantic Development Board.

Because of changes in the designations of several Federal Government Departments and a considerable re-arrangement of duties among them, announced shortly before going to press but not yet implemented, it was considered advisable to omit from this edition the Directory of Sources of Official Information usually appearing in Chapter XXVII. For the same reason, the chart showing the organization of the Government of Canada is not inserted in Chapter II. This chart will be prepared as soon as the departmental re-organization is completed and, if available before distribution of this volume, will be placed in the envelope inside the back cover. If not, copies may be secured on request from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. As in previous editions, the back cover pocket will contain a 140-mile-to-the-inch political map of Canada.

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