

AGRICULTURE statistics

NOVEMBER ESTIMATES OF PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, 2011

For the majority of crops in Manitoba, production estimates for 2011 are down from last year, resulting from excessive moisture, cool and wet weather that delayed seeding of most crops followed by dry mid-summer conditions in several areas of Manitoba. For the Prairies as a whole, farmers reported that hot, sunny weather during the summer helped them recover from a damp and late spring in certain areas. The overall result at the national level was increased wheat production and record high production of canola.

Production of wheat in Manitoba for 2011 is estimated at 2.19 million tonnes, decreasing 32.8% from 3.26 million tonnes the previous year, largely due to a 28.0% drop in harvested area to 0.85 million hectares compared to 1.18 million hectares last year and a 7.1% reduction in yield to 2600 kg per hectare from 2800 kg per hectare in 2010.

Production of canola in Manitoba this year is estimated at 1.66 million tonnes, a decrease of 25.3% compared to 2.22 million tonnes in 2010. This is mainly the result of a 15.4% reduction in harvested area to 1.06 million hectares from 1.26 million hectares last year along with an 11.1% drop in yield to 1600 kg per hectare from 1800 kg per hectare one year ago.

2011 flaxseed production in Manitoba is estimated at 38,100 tonnes, falling 53.1% from 81,300 in 2010 due to a 47.3% decrease in harvested area to 35,200 hectares from 66,800 the previous year and an 8.3% drop in yield to 1100 kg per hectare compared with 1200 kg per hectare in 2010.

Oat production in Manitoba this year is estimated at 416,400 tonnes, down 36.5% from 655,400 tonnes last year, resulting from a 26.6% drop in harvested area to 167,900 hectares. combined with a 13.8% reduction in yield to 2500 kg per hectare.

Manitoba's barley production in 2011 is estimated at 261,300 tonnes, down 46.4% from 487,700 tonnes in 2010. This decrease is attributed to a 33.3% drop in harvested area to 109,300 hectares along with a 20.0% decrease in yield to 2400 kg per hectare.

Production of dry peas in Manitoba is estimated at 20,000 tonnes in 2011, decreasing 68.1% from 62,600 tonnes in the previous year, almost exclusively due to a 66.8% drop in harvested area to 9,700 hectares since yields remained constant at 2100 kg per hectare.

Corn for grain production in Manitoba in 2011 is estimated at 414,000 tonnes, a decrease of 13.8% from one year ago. This is primarily due to a 12.1% reduction in yield to 5800 kg per hectare since harvested area only fell 2.7% to 70,800 hectares.

Manitoba's production of soybeans this year is estimated at 413,700 tonnes, down 5.0% from 435,400 tonnes in 2010. Although harvested area increased 11.8% to a record 230,700 hectares, farmers reported a 14.3% drop in yield to 1800 kg per hectare.

2011 dry white bean production is estimated at 14,300 tonnes in Manitoba, down 27.4% from 2010. Harvested area dropped 35.2% to 8,100 hectares although yields rose 12.5% to 1800 kg per hectare. Production of dry colored beans this year is estimated at 27,000 tonnes, a decrease of 57.5% from last year, mainly due to a 62.2% reduction in harvested area despite an 11.8% increase in yield.

Production of sunflowers in Manitoba in 2011 is estimated at 19,800 tonnes, a decrease of 70.7% from 2010, attributable to a 73.2% fall in harvested area to 13,800 hectares despite a 7.7% increase in yield to 1400 kg per hectare.

TABLE 1: NOVEMBER ESTIMATE OF PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, MANITOBA, 2010*, 2011

	Seeded Area			Harvested Area			Yield			Production		
	2010	2011	11/10	2010	2011	11/10	2010	2011	11/10	2010	2011	11/10
	'000 hectares		%	'000 hectares		%	kg/hectare		%	'000 tonnes		%
Winter Wheat	97.1	74.9	77	95.1	74.9	79	4,000	3,900	98	385.1	288.5	75
Spring Wheat	1,133.0	802.1	71	1,084.5	775.0	71	2,700	2,500	93	2,876.1	1,902.3	66
ALL WHEAT	1,230.1	877.0	71	1,179.6	849.9	72	2,800	2,600	93	3,261.2	2,190.8	67
Oats	242.8	202.3	83	228.6	167.9	73	2,900	2,500	86	655.4	416.4	64
Barley	194.2	137.6	71	163.9	109.3	67	3,000	2,400	80	487.7	261.3	54
Fall Rye ¹	22.3	18.2	82	22.3	16.2	73	2,600	2,700	104	58.4	44.2	76
Flaxseed ²	70.8	38.4	54	66.8	35.2	53	1,200	1,100	92	81.3	38.1	47
Canola	1,363.8	1,102.8	81	1,258.6	1,064.3	85	1,800	1,600	89	2,215.8	1,655.6	75
Corn for Grain	74.9	72.8	97	72.8	70.8	97	6,600	5,800	88	480.1	414.0	86
Dry Peas	32.4	11.3	35	29.2	9.7	33	2,100	2,100	100	62.6	20.0	32
Soybeans	210.4	232.7	111	206.4	230.7	112	2,100	1,800	86	435.4	413.7	95
Dry White Beans	14.2	8.1	57	12.5	8.1	65	1,600	1,800	113	19.7	14.3	73
Coloured Beans	40.5	16.1	40	38.4	14.5	38	1,700	1,900	112	63.5	27.0	43
Sunflowerseed	54.6	14.2	26	51.4	13.8	27	1,300	1,400	108	67.6	19.8	29
Fodder Corn	22.3	18.2	82	18.2	16.6	91	30,900	30,600	99	562.5	508.0	90
Tame Hay*	979.3	930.8	95	849.8	849.8	100	4,200	4,200	100	3,538.0	3,560.7	101
Summerfallow	287.0	1,093.0	381	...	...	-	...	...	-	...	...	-
	'000 acres		%	'000 acres		%	bu/acre		%	'000 bushels		%
Winter Wheat	240	185	77	235	185	79	60.2	57.3	98	14,150	10,600	75
Spring Wheat	2,800	1,982	71	2,680	1,915	71	39.4	36.5	93	105,680	69,900	66
ALL WHEAT	3,040	2,167	71	2,915	2,100	72	41.1	38.3	93	119,830	80,500	67
Oats	600	500	83	565	415	73	75.2	65.1	86	42,500	27,000	64
Barley	480	340	71	405	270	67	55.3	44.4	80	22,400	12,000	54
Fall Rye ¹	55	45	82	55	40	73	41.8	43.5	104	2,300	1,740	76
Flaxseed ²	175	95	54	165	87	53	19.4	17.2	92	3,200	1,500	47
Canola	3,370	2,725	81	3,110	2,630	85	31.4	27.8	89	97,700	73,000	75
Corn for Grain	185	180	97	180	175	97	105.0	93.1	88	18,900	16,300	86
Dry Peas	80	28	35	72	24	33	31.9	30.6	100	2,300	735	32
Soybeans	520	575	111	510	570	112	31.4	26.7	86	16,000	15,200	95
							cwt/acre			'000 cwt		
Dry White Beans	35	20	57	31	20	65	14.0	15.8	113	435	315	73
Coloured Beans	100	40	40	95	36	38	14.7	16.5	112	1,400	595	43
							lbs/acre			'000 lbs		
Sunflowerseed	135	35	26	127	34	27	1,173	1,282	108	149,000	43,600	29
							tons/acre			'000 tons		
Fodder Corn	55	45	82	45	41	91	13.8	13.7	99	620	560	90
Tame Hay*	2,420	2,300	95	2,100	2,100	100	1.9	1.9	100	3,900	3,925	101
Summerfallow	710	2,700	381	...	...	-	...	...	-	...	...	-

NOTE: Data collection from the annual November 2011 Farm Survey of 28,600 Canadian farmers during the period week of October 24th to November 10th, 2011. Percentage change is based on metric figures.

* 2010 numbers are from the 2011 September Estimates of Production of Principal Field Crops, Cat. No. 22-002-XIE released in October 2011 or the 2010 November Estimates of Production of Principal Field Crops released December, 2010.

¹ The seeded area remaining in June after winterkill.

² Excludes solin.

³ Western Canada includes Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

... Figures not available, appropriate or applicable.

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CANADA

For Canada as a whole in 2011, total production of wheat increased from 2010, and canola production hit a record high. In contrast, farmers reported an overall decline in both corn and soybean crops.

Nationally, wheat production was up 9.0% from 2010 to 25.3 million tonnes and yields were up 5.5% to average 3000 kg per hectare. Farmers reported record wheat yields in Alberta and Saskatchewan, with production up 9.0% to 8.9 million tonnes in Alberta and up 20.5% to 11.5 million tonnes in Saskatchewan. This is largely due to greater durum production which increased 36.4% in Saskatchewan to 3.6 million tonnes and 47.1% in Alberta to 620 500 tonnes.

Prairie farmers reported a record 14.0 million tonnes of canola for 2011, an increase of 10.7% from 2010 resulting from a 9.1% increase in harvested area and a 1.5% increase in average yield. Canola production reached new highs in both Alberta (5.3 million tonnes) and Saskatchewan (7.0 million tonnes), in sharp contrast to Manitoba, where farmers were unable to recover from early season flooding.

Soybean production in Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba declined from 2010 levels, primarily resulting from lower yields despite record harvested areas in both Manitoba and Quebec

TABLE 2: NOVEMBER ESTIMATE OF PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, WESTERN CANADA & CANADA, 2010*, 2011

WESTERN CANADA ³	2010							
	Seeded Area		Harvested Area		Yield		Production	
	hectares	acres	hectares	acres	kg/ha	bu/ac	tonnes	bushels
	'000		'000				'000	
Winter Wheat ¹	244.8	605.0	238.7	590.0	3,600	54.1	868.5	31,910
Durum Wheat	1,274.8	3,150.0	1,244.4	3,075.0	2,400	36.1	3,024.7	111,140
Spring Wheat	6,559.6	16,210.0	6,342.8	15,674.0	2,700	40.2	17,148.1	630,085
ALL WHEAT	8,079.2	19,965.0	7,825.9	19,339.0	2,700	40.0	21,041.3	773,135
Oats	1,058.3	2,615.0	759.6	1,877.0	2,800	72.8	2,106.2	136,785
Barley	2,598.1	6,420.0	2,195.0	5,424.0	3,200	59.1	6,984.3	320,785
Fall Rye ¹	83.0	205.0	81.0	200.0	2,400	38.8	196.8	7,750
Flaxseed ²	374.3	925.0	353.3	873.0	1,200	19.1	423.0	16,650
Canola	7,086.0	17,510.0	6,808.5	16,824.0	1,900	33.2	12,683.6	559,250
Dry Peas	1,396.2	3,450.0	1,322.1	3,267.0	2,200	32.2	2,862.4	105,175
						tons/ac		'000 tons
Summerfallow	4,354.0	10,760.0	...	...	...	...	...	...
CANADA	hectares	acres	hectares	acres	kg/ha	bu/ac	tonnes	bushels
	'000		'000				'000	
Winter Wheat ¹	582.4	1,439.4	576.3	1,424.4	4,600	68.5	2,657.2	97,632
Durum Wheat	1,274.8	3,150.0	1,244.4	3,075.0	2,400	36.1	3,024.7	111,140
Spring Wheat	6,667.0	16,475.4	6,448.0	15,934.1	2,700	40.3	17,484.9	642,460
ALL WHEAT	8,524.2	21,064.8	8,268.7	20,433.5	2,800	41.7	23,166.8	851,232
Oats	1,219.3	3,012.8	906.1	2,239.0	2,700	71.8	2,479.5	160,778
Barley	2,796.6	6,910.7	2,387.2	5,899.3	3,200	59.2	7,605.3	349,306
Fall Rye ¹	97.2	240.0	95.2	235.0	2,400	38.9	232.4	9,150
Mixed Grains	172.3	425.9	79.7	197.2	2,900	62.1	232.5	12,244
Flaxseed ²	374.3	925.0	353.3	873.0	1,200	19.1	423.0	16,650
Canola	7,125.8	17,608.4	6,848.3	16,922.4	1,900	33.3	12,773.3	563,204
Corn for Grain	1,214.3	3,000.3	1,202.9	2,972.4	9,700	155.2	11,714.5	461,177
Dry Peas	1,396.2	3,450.0	1,322.1	3,267.0	2,200	32.2	105,175.0	
Soybeans	1,483.0	3,664.9	1,476.8	3,649.4	2,900	43.8	4,345.3	159,666
						cwt/ac		'000 cwt
Dry White Beans	48.6	120.0	46.9	116.0	2,200	19.4	102.3	2,255
Coloured Beans	87.4	216.1	80.3	198.6	1,900	16.8	151.5	3,339
						tons/ac		'000 tons
Fodder Corn *	244.6	604.6	218.4	539.8	39,100	17.4	8,536.6	9,410
Tame Hay *	8,168.3	20,184.8	7,362.2	18,192.5	4,400	2.0	32,681.4	36,025
Summerfallow	4,354.0	10,760.0	...	...	...	...	...	...

WESTERN CANADA ³	2011							
	Seeded Area		Harvested Area		Yield		Production	
	hectares	acres	hectares	acres	kg/ha	bu/ac	tonnes	bushels
	'000	'000	'000	'000			'000	
Winter Wheat ¹	232.7	575.0	232.7	575.0	3,400	50.3	786.6	28,900
Durum Wheat	1,624.8	4,015.0	1,590.4	3,930.0	2,600	39.0	4,172.1	153,300
Spring Wheat	6,295.6	15,557.0	6,189.7	15,295.0	2,900	42.7	17,780.1	653,310
ALL WHEAT	8,153.1	20,147.0	8,012.8	19,800.0	2,800	42.2	22,738.8	835,510
Oats	1,125.0	2,780.0	908.5	2,245.0	3,000	78.3	2,711.8	175,840
Barley	2,459.7	6,078.0	2,210.8	5,463.0	3,300	61.4	7,306.8	335,600
Fall Rye ¹	70.8	175.0	68.8	170.0	2,500	39.1	168.7	6,640
Flaxseed ²	281.2	695.0	273.2	675.0	1,300	21.5	368.3	14,500
Canola	7,583.8	18,740.0	7,421.9	18,340.0	1,900	33.8	14,060.6	619,970
Dry Peas	942.0	2,328.0	914.2	2,259.0	2,300	34.4	2,115.6	77,735
						tons/ac		'000 tons
Summerfallow	5,022.0	12,410.0	...	...	...	...	...	...
CANADA	hectares	acres	hectares	acres	kg/ha	bu/ac	tonnes	bushels
	'000	'000	'000	'000			'000	
Winter Wheat ¹	683.3	1,688.6	682.7	1,687.2	4,500	66.6	3,058.0	112,357
Durum Wheat	1,624.8	4,015.0	1,590.4	3,930.0	2,600	39.0	4,172.1	153,300
Spring Wheat	6,377.9	15,760.3	6,270.5	15,494.6	2,900	42.8	18,031.3	662,541
ALL WHEAT	8,686.0	21,464.0	8,543.6	21,111.8	3,000	44.0	25,261.4	928,198
Oats	1,258.0	3,108.7	1,029.6	2,544.4	2,900	76.4	2,997.1	194,337
Barley	2,619.1	6,472.1	2,364.8	5,843.7	3,300	61.0	7,755.7	356,220
Fall Rye ¹	80.9	200.0	78.9	195.0	2,500	39.3	194.7	7,665
Mixed Grains	105.8	261.6	60.1	148.6	3,000	63.1	179.0	9,376
Flaxseed ²	281.2	695.0	273.2	675.0	1,300	21.5	368.3	14,500
Canola	7,633.2	18,862.0	7,471.3	18,462.0	1,900	33.8	14,164.5	624,551
Corn for Grain	1,217.7	3,009.2	1,201.7	2,969.5	8,900	141.7	10,688.7	420,795
Dry Peas	942.0	2,328.0	914.2	2,259.0	2,300	34.4	2,115.6	77,735
Soybeans	1,549.9	3,829.8	1,542.4	3,811.3	2,800	40.9	4,246.3	156,021
Triticale	26.3	65.0	13.4	33.0	2,400	37.9	31.8	1,250
						cwt/ac		'000 cwt
Dry White Beans	22.3	55.0	22.3	55.0	2,100	18.5	46.1	1,015
Coloured Beans	46.4	115.0	43.9	109.0	2,200	19.9	98.5	2,170
Lentils	1,040.0	2,570.0	998.4	2,467.0	1,500	13.7	1,531.9	3,377
Mustard Seed	127.5	315.0	123.3	305.0	1,000	9.0	124.8	375
Canary Seed	95.1	235.0	93.0	230.0	1,100	9.8	102.3	226
Sunflower Seed	14.2	35.0	13.8	34.0	1,400	12.8	19.8	44
Chick Peas	50.5	125.0	49.7	123.0	1,800	16.3	90.8	200
						tons/ac		'000 tons
Sugar Beets	12.1	30.0	12.1	30.0	58,100	25.8	703.1	775
Fodder Corn *	205.9	509.3	198.6	491.1	37,300	16.6	7,399.9	8,157
Tame Hay *	7,967.4	19,687.9	7,200.5	17,793.4	4,400	2.0	31,410.4	34,624
Summerfallow	5,022.0	12,410.0	...	...	...	...	...	...