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With your input, Statistics Canada's

Field Crop Reporting Series

can be a solid source of reliable
and timely information that you
and the industry need.

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You're not just a planter, a grower and a harvester—you're an entrepreneur. The truth is, you're busy and your role can't be overstated: your efforts put food on the table of millions of Canadians.

You also know better than anyone that the agriculture industry is subject to many uncontrollable changes: fluctuations in weather, input prices, transportation costs and crop prices, to name a few. We recognize that timely information is important for you to make the best decisions possible.

Five surveys equal in-depth information

Statistics Canada conducts the *Farm Surveys* in March, June, July, November and December to produce the **Field Crop Reporting Series**. Information from these surveys provide Canadians and Canadian farmers with important field crop statistics, including seeded and harvested areas, yields, production and stocks.

The **Field Crop Reporting Series** helps

- track major grain production nationally and provincially, aiding supply management in a timely manner;
- determine the availability of crops by stock assessments as of March 31st, July 31st and December 31st;
- provide annual trend information by crop and small area regions, which can be incorporated into future crop planning.

Who uses the data?

Various partners, associations and stakeholders, ranging from universities to government agencies use the data to formulate policies and programs that assist the agricultural sector. The data help provide an overview of the crop landscape and farming economy in Canada.

Did you know?

- The *Fair Rail for Grain Farmers Act*, Bill C-30, was supported by information farmers provided on the field crop surveys of 2013 and 2014.
- Canola is the second largest crop grown in Canada, after wheat. In 2015, 18.4 million metric tonnes were produced.
- Soybean production in Canada doubled between 2005 and 2015, to 6.2 million metric tonnes. Farmers in Ontario, Manitoba and Québec produced 94% of the national total in 2015.
- Area seeded to lentils in Saskatchewan and Alberta reached record levels in 2015 and 2016.
- In British Columbia and in the Maritimes, tame hay typically accounts for over half of the total field crop area reported.

Sources: CANSIM tables 001-0017 and 001-0010.

We need your help

Whether this is the first time you have been asked to participate in this mandatory survey, or whether you have already taken part in the past, the information you provide ensures an accurate portrayal of the farming community, including Canada's food production and supply chain.

Your information is strictly confidential

All information collected by Statistics Canada is strictly confidential and is protected by the *Statistics Act*. Statistics Canada cannot release any information that would identify you or any member of your household or business without your consent. Furthermore, this information cannot be released under any other law, not even the *Access to Information Act*.

Thank you for helping us collect information that will have
a positive impact on Canada's food supply chain.



Participating is easy

We understand how busy you are. Therefore, based on your comments, we are striving to make your participation as quick and simple as possible.

- We are currently developing an electronic version of the survey, which you will be able to complete at a time convenient for you during the data collection period.
- Of the five surveys conducted per year, your participation can only be requested up to a maximum of two times within a calendar year.
- At this time, the survey is only done by phone. A Statistics Canada interviewer will contact you by phone to complete the survey. However, you can arrange an appointment, within the survey collection dates, at a time that is more convenient to you by contacting one of the toll-free numbers

For more information

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