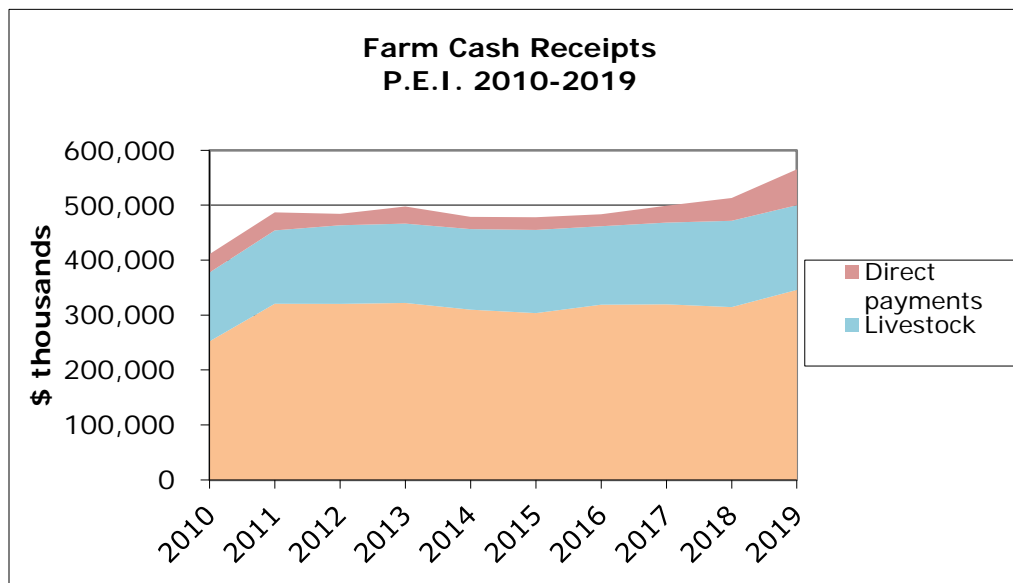




## STATISTICS CANADA RELEASES REVISED 2019 FARM CASH RECEIPTS DATA

On November 25, 2020 Statistics Canada released revised estimates of farm cash receipts for Canada and the provinces for 2017 to 2019.

According to the revised data, Prince Edward Island's farm cash receipts increased by \$52.2 million in 2019 to total \$565.3 million, an increase of 10.2 per cent. Livestock receipts declined in 2019 following two years of increases, falling 1.9 per cent to \$154.2 million. Crop receipts rose by 10.0 per cent to total \$345.8 million. Direct payments to farmers increased by 57.4 per cent to \$65.3 million.



Source: Statistics Canada

### P.E.I. HIGHLIGHTS (see Table 2)

#### Crops

- Total crop receipts increased by 10.0 per cent in 2019.
- Potato receipts increased to \$243.9 million in 2019 following two years of decline.
- Receipts for soybeans decreased for the second consecutive year, falling by 16.8 per cent to \$13.2 million.
- Receipts for total grains valued \$42.3 million in 2019, a decrease of 3.8 per cent.

- Crop receipts minus potatoes and soybeans totalled \$88.7 million, an increase of 28.9 per cent over 2018.
- Other notable increases were seen in receipts for field vegetables, up by 7.2 per cent to total \$15.6 million, corn for grain, up by 30.7 per cent to total \$4.7 million, and oats, up by 1.6 per cent to total \$1.4 million.
- Notable declines occurred in receipts for barley, down 5.5 per cent to total \$12.5 million, and fresh strawberries, down 16.3 per cent to total \$0.4 million.

### Livestock

- Livestock receipts during 2019 totalled \$154.2 million, a 1.9 per cent decrease compared to 2018.
- Cattle and Calves receipts decreased by 11.1 per cent to value \$32.7 million.
- Hog receipts increased by 24.4 per cent to total \$12.0 million.
- Dairy product receipts for 2019 totalled \$88.6 million, an increase of 1.7 per cent.
- Egg receipts totalled \$6.5 million, an increase of 7.6 per cent.
- Receipts for other livestock decreased by 11.6 per cent to \$20.9 million.

### Support payments

- Government payments and support to farmers totalled \$65.3 million in 2019, an increase of 57.4 per cent compared to 2018.
- Crop insurance payments increased by 18.6 per cent to total \$41.7 million.
- Other payments, programs to deal with unusual climatic and/or economic conditions in the agriculture sector, totalled \$19.5 million.
- Total farm receipts minus government support payments, was valued at \$500.0 million in 2019, up from \$471.6 million in 2018.

**Table 2**  
**ANNUAL FARM CASH RECEIPTS, P.E.I.**

Item:	Farm Cash Receipts			
	2018 (\$ '000s)	2019 (\$ '000s)	Change (\$ '000s)	Percentage change
<b>Crops</b>	<b>\$314,472</b>	<b>\$345,796</b>	<b>\$31,324</b>	<b>10.0</b>
Potatoes	\$229,778	\$243,875	\$14,097	6.1
Soybeans	\$15,924	\$13,250	(\$2,674)	-16.8
Other crops	\$68,770	\$88,671	\$19,901	28.9
<b>Livestock</b>	<b>\$157,176</b>	<b>\$154,299</b>	<b>(\$2,947)</b>	<b>-1.9</b>
Cattle	\$36,772	\$32,693	(\$4,079)	-11.1
Hogs	\$9,677	\$12,041	\$2,364	24.4
Dairy	\$87,128	\$88,635	\$1,507	1.7
Other	\$23,599	\$20,860	(\$2,739)	-11.6
<b>Total direct payments</b>	<b>\$41,497</b>	<b>\$65,316</b>	<b>\$23,819</b>	<b>57.4</b>
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$513,145</b>	<b>\$565,341</b>	<b>\$52,196</b>	<b>10.2</b>

Source: Statistics Canada

Nationally, farm cash receipts valued \$66.4 billion, up \$3.9 billion, or 6.2 per cent from 2018. This follows a 0.5 per cent increase in 2018 and marks the ninth consecutive year of growth. Farm cash receipts rose in every province in 2019 with Alberta posting the largest gain.

Livestock receipts rose 6.1 per cent to \$26.6 billion. Cattle and calf receipts increased 5.9 per cent to \$9.6 billion. Higher prices pushed hog receipts up by 12.0 per cent to value \$4.6 billion.

Crop receipts increased 4.1 per cent over 2018 to value \$36.7 billion. A major contributor to the rise was a \$1.7 billion increases in licensed cannabis producer during the first full year of legalized recreational use.

All four Atlantic provinces saw increases in total farm cash receipts in 2019, with New Brunswick having the largest percentage increase in the country at 24.5 per cent. Receipts for Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador increased by 5.6 per cent and 2.4 per cent respectively. Following the increase in New Brunswick, the largest percentage increases were seen in British Columbia (13.8 per cent) and Alberta (11.0 per cent).

National farm cash receipts for 2019 and comparable data for 2018 are presented in Table 3.

**Table 3**  
**NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL FARM CASH RECEIPTS**

Province:	2018	2019	2018 to 2019
	\$ millions		% change
Canada	62,486	66,366	6.2
Newfoundland and Labrador	139	142	2.4
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>10.2</b>
Nova Scotia	576	609	5.6
New Brunswick	701	872	24.5
Quebec	8,892	9,664	8.7
Ontario	14,015	14,859	6.0
Manitoba	6,633	6,635	0.0
Saskatchewan	14,046	14,085	0.3
Alberta	13,520	15,008	11.0
British Columbia	3,451	3,927	13.8

Source: Statistics Canada.

For more information contact:  
Colin Mosley  
PEI Statistics Bureau  
Department of Finance  
Ph: 902 368-4035  
Email:cdmosley@gov.pe.ca