

CANADA'S IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF APPLES, 1909-14.  
(Reports of the Department of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa.)

Year.	IMPORTS.		EXPORTS.		NET SURPLUS.
	Barrels.	Value.	Barrels.	Value.	Barrels.
1909 .....	56,763	\$ 225,850	1,092,066	\$2,804,087	1,035,303
1910 .....	59,071	261,792	1,604,477	4,417,926	1,545,406
1911 .....	150,961	487,516	523,658	1,756,884	372,697
1912 .....	195,069	681,086	1,664,165	5,104,107	1,469,096
1913 .....	320,325	857,134	1,324,769	4,047,806	1,004,444
1914 .....	330,907	1,104,302	947,382	3,465,475	616,475
Average ....	185,516	\$ 602,946	1,193,752	\$3,509,380	1,007,236

In 1912 and 1914 a large part of the apple-crop of Western Ontario, between 30 and 45 per cent., according to the Fruit Branch at Ottawa, was not harvested at all. The situation as shown is more than a problem of British Columbia alone. It is of national significance.

(Signed on behalf of the Executive, British Columbia Fruit-growers' Association.)

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NOTE.—The above is, as stated, only a preliminary draft of our case. A series of tables, showing acreages, production, prices, costs of production, fruit consumption in Western Canada, etc., are being prepared. These will be laid before the annual meeting of the British Columbia Fruit-growers' Association in February. You will note, further, that no argument is included. This, too, will be prepared by your Executive and laid before you at the annual meeting.

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