Manitoba Canola Outlook

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2017 Manitoba Canola Snapshot

- Cool, dry start, infrequent/late rains
- Yields were above average
- Canola quality good
- Main disease was sclerotinia
 Followed closely by blackleg
- Widespread adoption of straight cutting
- Some storage issues

Fall 2016 - % WHC (0-30cm) Manitoba







- Growing season view doesn't tell whole story
- Very dry until 3rd week May
- Late May to November - frequent rains and high humidity throughout rest of season
- Also a number of tornados and high wind events cause damage







Growing Season

- Wet fields in spring
 - Spring tillage to dry out, poor seedbed in places
 - Cool conditions contributed to early season stresses
- Not enough/irregularly distributed rainfall
 - Contributed to strong root development
- Regional insect pressures
 - Bertha armyworm
 - diamondback moth larvae
 - cutworm
- Relatively smooth harvest
- Good yields



2017 Canola Performance

- Canola average to above average yields MB Average expected at 42.1 bu/acre¹
- Disease pressure was overall lower than 2016, most notably for Blackleg²
- Canola quality good low green and dockage, fewer heating issues than last year
 - Overall oil content in seed from MB is higher than average
- Straight cut varieties have rising demand expecting top two canola hybrids to have the same percentage share of market in 2018, one normal swath, one a straight cut variety
- Markets are performing well, stable prices and good returns
- 1. Statistics Canada "Estimated areas, yield, production [...] of principle field crops. CANSIM Table 001-0017
- 2. Canadian Phytopathological Society, 2017 Canadian Plant Disease Survey. (Abbottsford, 2017), 183.



Canola Acres & Yields (2012-2017)



Source: Statistics Canada "Estimated areas, yield, production [...] of principle field crops. CANSIM Table 001-0017 Source: MASC Seeded Acreage Report



Variety Comparison

2016	Based on 3,173,535 Acres Reported	2017	Based on 3,108,464 Acres Reported
Variety	Area Share	Variety	Area Share
L252	31.1%	L252	25.1%
L140P	16.4%	L140P	17.5%
5440	6.2%	L233P	10.0% – 1.9 M
L130	5.2%	L230	4.9%
1012 RR	3.7%	5440	3.7%
74-44 BL	3.2%	74-44 BL	3.2%
46H75	2.5%	1022 RR	3.1%
45H33	2.4%	75-65 RR	2.7%
2020 CL	2.3%	46H75	2.3%
L156H	2.3%	1012 RR	2.2%

Source: MASC 2016 & 2017 Seeded Acreage Report





Disease Survey Results - Sclerotinia

Manitoba % Sclerotinia Incidence (2011-2017)



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Disease Survey Results - Blackleg



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2017 Fall Soil Moisture

Courtesy of Marla Riekman – Manitoba Agriculture





2017 Fall % WHC

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All the Best in 2017!

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