

COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER SALES IN NORTH DAKOTA

A report released by R. O. Baird, Bismarck, North Dakota, State Food Commissioner and Chemist, on recent sales of commercial fertilizer in North Dakota, have been as follows:

Mixed Fertilizers	
July 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949	2,413.0 tons
January 1, 1950, to June 30, 1950	9,238.1 tons
Total in 12 months	11,651.1 tons
Fertilizer Materials	
July 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949	1,700.0 tons
January 1, 1950, to June 30, 1950	7,570.5 tons
Total in 12 months	9,270.5 tons
Grand total of mixed fertilizers and fertilizer materials for 12 months	20,921.6 tons

One third of the sales of mixed fertilizers was the 4-24-12 mixture. Most of the "fertilizer materials" or single fertilizers sold were superphosphates, largely those containing from 42 to 47 percent phosphoric acid. Of the single fertilizer sales, the 46% and 47% superphosphates totaled 45.1%. (H.L.W.)

BOVINE TB ERADICATION

A summary of bovine tuberculosis eradication work in cooperation with states, May, 1950, issued by the Bureau of Animal Industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Administration as S.R.A.—B. I. 518, dated July, 1950, contains the following information about tuberculosis work in North Dakota:

Tuberculin Tests During the Month of May

Cattle	3,222
Infected premises	3
Reacted	5
Accredited Herds	55
Herds under supervision	68,003
Inspector in charge, F. M. Shigley	
State official, T. O. Brandenburg, Bismarck	
All states are 100 percent modified accredited.	

A summary of the brucellosis work in cooperation with states, May, 1950, in the same document contains the following information about work in North Dakota:

Tests of blood samples	
Herds	862
Cattle	11,537
Tests of herds containing reactors	
Herds	130
Cattle	2,658
Reactors:	
For slaughter	455
Held in calfhood, vaccinated herds	48
Calves vaccinated during month	1,657
Modified certified counties	21
Total accredited herds	20
Total accredited cattle	1,233
Herds under supervision	67,028
Total cattle on waiting list	159,000