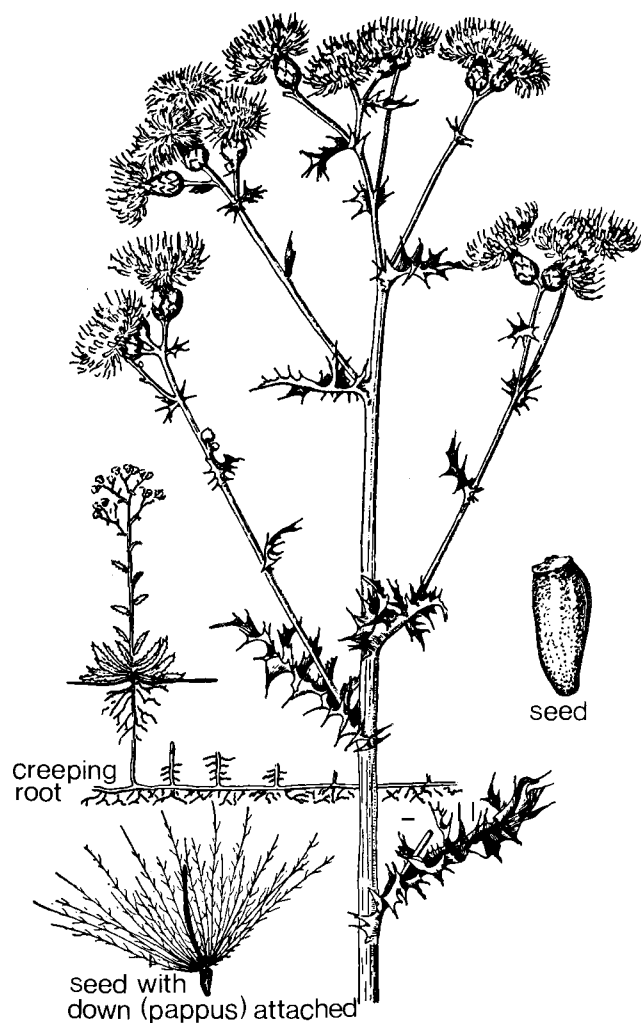


Canada Thistle

Scientific name: *Cirsium arvense*

By Gordon Cook, Union County Extension Agent
 Martin Zimmerman, Jefferson County Extension Agent
 Ralph E. Whitesides, Extension Agronomist, Oregon State University



Perennial

Flowers purple to white

Mature plant 1 to 4 feet tall

Leaves usually long and narrow with
 short, sharp spines

Plants spreading by creeping under-
 ground roots



Canada thistle is commonly found on rangelands and in non-cultivated areas; however, it does occur in many field crops.

Control: Best control is obtained from treatments at bud to early flower stage of growth. Refer to herbicide labels for appropriate rates and timings in specific situations.

Non-cropland		Cropland	
Chemical	pounds per acre	Chemical	pounds per acre
picloram (Tordon)	1 to 1½	2,4-D	1 to 2
2,4-D amine	4	MCPA amine	1 to 1½
dicamba (Banvel)	4 to 6	glyphosate	2¼ to 3
amitrole	4	(Roundup)	(3 to 4 qts.)
glyphosate	2¼ to 3	dicamba plus 2,4-D	⅓ plus 1
(Roundup)	(3 to 4 qts.)		



OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY
**EXTENSION
 SERVICE**

Extension Service, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Henry A. Wadsworth, director. This publication was produced and distributed in furtherance of the Acts of Congress of May 8 and June 30, 1914. Extension work is a cooperative program of Oregon State University, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and Oregon counties. Extension invites participation in its programs and offers them equally to all people, without discrimination.