

Table 8 gives the estimated numbers of farm live stock (horses, cattle, sheep and swine) for the years 1913 to 1918. In this table the figures for 1918 represent the totals collected by the Dominion and Provincial Governments as explained in the preceding paragraph. For 1917 the figures for the provinces of Quebec, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia are as collected in June of that year by the Dominion and Provincial Governments; but for the other provinces the figures of 1917 are as estimated from the reports of crop correspondents of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the basis of the Census. For 1916 the figures for the three Prairie Provinces are those of the Census of 1916, whilst for the other provinces they are estimated from the reports of crop correspondents. For each of the years 1913 to 1915 the figures for all the provinces are estimates based on the reports of crop correspondents. With regard to these statistics, it is necessary to observe that, as in the case of field crops, comparability is affected by the change of method. For 1917, in respect of the four provinces of Quebec, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, and for 1918, in respect of all the provinces, it is not possible to state what changes may be due to actual increase or decrease and what may be due to improvement in the method of collection. It is considered certain, however, that in many cases where substantial increases are shown for 1917 and 1918, the increases are due to the greater accuracy of the method of collection rather than to actual increase as compared with the previous year.

7.—Numbers of Farm Live Stock, June, 1918.

Description.	Number.	Description.	Number.
Canada—		Prince Edward Island—	
Stallions, 2 years and over....	45,000	Stallions, 2 years and over....	73
Mares, 2 years and over.....	1,588,644	Mares, 2 years and over.....	16,729
Geldings, 2 years and over....	1,364,228	Geldings, 2 years and over....	11,918
Colts and fillies under 2 years.	611,042	Colts and fillies under, 2 years.	3,900
Horses, other.....	343		
Total horses.....	3,609,257	Total horses.....	32,620
Mules.....	10,261		
Bulls for breeding.....	298,233	Bulls for breeding.....	2,675
Milch cows.....	3,543,600	Milch cows.....	41,429
Calves under 1 year.....	2,380,126	Calves under 1 year.....	25,296
Steers, 2 years and over.....	858,165	Steers, 2 years and over.....	5,078
All other cattle.....	2,970,743	All other cattle.....	36,043
Total cattle.....	10,050,867	Total cattle.....	110,521
Sheep.....	3,052,748	Sheep.....	73,046
Swine.....	4,289,632	Swine.....	40,814
Turkeys.....	1,061,982	Turkeys.....	7,026
Geese.....	879,177	Geese.....	27,375
Ducks.....	884,034	Ducks.....	8,249
Fowls.....	31,324,498	Fowls.....	547,963