

Slaughtering and Meat Packing.—The tendency to large scale production in the industry is shown in the summary of census records below. The number of establishments has rapidly dropped off while the industry has grown by leaps and bounds. The concentration of the industry into a comparatively small number of large establishments has resulted in the utilization of by-products and in a marked increase in economy and efficiency of operation. In addition to the principal statistics reported in the decennial censuses from 1871 to 1911, annual figures collected through the Census of Industry for the years 1917 to 1921 are included in Table 41, whilst live stock slaughtered at Canadian inspected establishments in 1921 and 1922 are given in Table 42 and the *per capita* consumption of meat in Canada in Table 43.

41.—Principal Statistics of the Slaughtering and Meat Packing Industry of Canada by censal years 1871 to 1921.

Description.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901. ¹	1911. ¹
Establishments.....No.	193	203	527	57	80
Capital Invested.....\$	419,325	1,449,679	2,173,077	5,395,162	15,321,088
Employees.....No.	841	852	1,690	2,416	4,214
Salaries and Wages.....\$	145,376	209,483	503,053	1,020,164	2,685,518
Cost of Materials.....\$	2,942,786	3,163,576	5,554,246	19,520,058	40,951,761
Value of Products.....\$	3,799,552	4,084,133	7,125,831	22,217,984	48,527,076

Description.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.
Establishments.....No.	79	78	82	86	84
Capital Invested.....\$	55,189,611	86,969,756	93,363,791	84,288,306	58,459,555
Employees.....No.	10,312	11,917	13,222	11,978	9,711
Salaries and Wages.....\$	9,440,402	12,173,389	15,302,388	16,691,471	13,547,778
Cost of Materials.....\$	155,866,320	171,023,104	175,133,821	170,916,888	113,389,835
Value of Products.....\$	206,720,718	229,231,666	233,936,913	240,544,618	153,136,289

¹Includes only establishments employing five hands and over.

42.—Live Stock slaughtered at Canadian inspected Establishments, by months, 1921 and 1922.

Months.	1921.			1922.		
	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
January.....	51,769	24,623	151,397	44,845	20,259	168,988
February.....	31,272	15,450	128,337	39,506	14,180	144,398
March.....	50,496	9,850	120,367	64,149	11,366	159,142
April.....	49,438	4,645	115,479	78,841	7,150	154,691
May.....	61,250	10,693	145,036	81,633	16,088	160,920
June.....	60,821	28,634	122,022	64,680	32,184	152,146
July.....	46,959	42,263	94,695	57,665	44,913	120,779
August.....	65,708	78,541	107,980	72,466	86,488	125,815
September.....	67,946	123,924	100,667	80,544	112,243	130,943
October.....	76,944	151,941	155,897	96,239	131,537	176,597
November.....	90,498	113,486	204,683	90,095	81,164	230,455
December.....	62,212	42,900	189,829	60,976	38,831	202,338
Total.....	715,313	646,950	1,636,389	831,701	596,403	1,927,212