

19.—Estimated Value of Canadian Wool Clip, 1915-1923.

Years.	Sheep.	Production of wool.	Average price per lb. of wool.	Value.
	No.	lb.	cents.	\$
1915.....	2,038,662	12,000,000	28	3,360,000
1916.....	2,022,941	12,000,000	37	4,440,000
1917.....	2,369,358	12,000,000	59	7,000,000
1918.....	3,052,748	20,000,000	60	12,000,000
1919.....	3,421,958	20,000,000	60	12,000,000
1920.....	3,720,783	24,000,000	22	5,280,000
1921.....	3,675,860	21,251,000	14	2,975,000
1922.....	3,262,626	18,523,392	17	3,149,000
1923.....	2,755,273	15,539,416	20	3,160,000

Values of Farm Live Stock and of Wool.—Average values for horses and cattle (Tables 20 and 21) showed a decline as compared with the previous year, the falling off being most marked in the Prairie Provinces. Sheep remained at about the same level as in 1922, and there was some recovery in the price of wool. Swine showed a decrease in average value per head in every province. For Canada, horses under one year old averaged \$31, as against \$34 in 1922; horses one year to under three years \$66, against \$70; horses three years old and over \$103, against \$111. Cattle under one year averaged \$11, the same as for 1922; cattle one year to under three years \$24, against \$25, and cattle three years and over \$36, against \$38. For all descriptions the average value per head for Canada was as follows, the corresponding value for 1922 being given within parentheses: horses \$63 (\$72); milch cows \$47 (\$48); other cattle \$26 (\$26); total cattle \$34 (\$35); sheep \$8 (\$8); swine \$12 (\$15). For swine per 100 lb. live weight the average was \$8, as against \$10.

The average price of wool was returned as 20 cents per lb. for unwashed and 28 cents per lb. for washed, the prices for 1922 being 17 and 24 cents respectively.

By application of the average values per head to the numbers as returned in June last, it is possible (Table 22) to calculate approximately the total value of farm live stock in Canada for the year 1923, as compared with 1922, in parentheses, as follows: horses \$223,154,000 (\$264,043,000); milch cows \$173,015,000 (\$179,141,000); other cattle \$143,458,000 (\$156,441,000); all cattle \$316,473,000 (\$335,582,000); sheep \$21,321,000 (\$24,962,000); swine \$52,312,000 (\$57,300,000). The estimated total value of these descriptions of farm live stock amounted for 1923 to \$613,260,000, as compared with \$681,887,000 in 1922, \$765,964,000 in 1921 and \$1,046,717,000 in 1920. For farm poultry (Table 22) we get for 1923, as compared with 1922 in parentheses, turkeys \$4,459,100 (\$4,822,800); geese \$1,919,300 (\$2,161,300); ducks \$1,064,200 (\$1,118,300); other fowls \$32,397,700 (\$33,092,900), the total value for all descriptions being thus \$39,840,300 (\$41,195,300). By adding the total value of farm poultry to that of horses, cattle, sheep and swine, we get a grand total value for farm live stock, including poultry, of \$653,100,300, as compared with \$723,082,300 in 1922 (Table 22). The values of farm poultry per head for each of the years 1920 to 1923 are given in Table 23.