

pelts have encouraged efforts to raise these animals in captivity and, although the work is still in an experimental stage, a moderate amount of success has been attained in each case. A recent addition to the Canadian fur-farming industry is the valuable chinchilla. The records for the year 1938 show 60 chinchillas with a value of \$96,000.

The Dominion Department of Agriculture conducts, at Summerside, P.E.I., an experimental fur farm for the study of matters affecting the health of fur-bearing animals in captivity, especially the silver fox. Many of the Provincial Governments also, have established branches that engage in experimental work and various other activities of value to the fur-farming industry. The Dominion Department of Agriculture has, in addition, organized a service to assist in the marketing, both at home and abroad, of the pelts of Canadian fur bearers.

1.—Fur Farms, Land and Buildings, and Fur-Bearing Animals, by Provinces, 1936-38

Province or Territory	Fur Farms			Values of Land and Buildings			Values of Fur-Bearing Animals		
	1936	1937	1938	1936	1937	1938	1936	1937	1938
	No.	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
P.E. Island.....	730	1,216	1,024	876,446	878,934	729,657	1,088,647	945,542	585,102
Nova Scotia.....	958	1,002	1,032	337,422	319,305	290,805	608,202	510,769	407,790
New Brunswick.....	1,028	1,012	941	531,955	521,983	447,172	908,215	734,002	493,335
Quebec.....	2,570	2,541	3,370	1,226,657	1,348,655	1,557,468	1,910,811	1,797,806	1,682,533
Ontario.....	1,170	1,278	1,481	1,401,675	1,445,654	1,463,556	2,044,500	2,085,875	2,042,410
Manitoba.....	512	662	793	797,602	1,029,280	1,138,982	1,109,299	1,311,427	1,243,050
Saskatchewan.....	349	491	606	567,550	678,014	684,000	629,432	689,770	672,690
Alberta.....	514	587	727	972,632	1,047,408	1,176,979	1,164,714	1,186,450	1,317,109
British Columbia.....	304	380	470	367,747	400,788	424,223	362,635	402,646	475,205
Yukon.....	7	10	10	17,350	17,150	17,850	11,825	12,144	10,280
Totals.....	8,142	9,179	10,454	7,097,036	7,687,171	7,930,692	9,838,280	9,676,431	8,929,504

2.—Fur-Bearing Animals on Fur Farms in Canada, as at Dec. 31, 1935-38

Kind of Animal	1935		1936		1937		1938	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		\$		\$		\$		\$
Badger.....	22	434	27	810	20	525	26	760
Beaver ¹	1,180	26,587	888	23,428	787	19,330	677	15,095
Chinchilla.....	Nil	-	Nil	-	2	3,300	60	96,000
Coyote.....	18	132	27	280	47	550	37	330
Ferret.....	6	30	Nil	-	Nil	-	Nil	-
Fisher.....	163	16,425	126	13,885	120	12,790	126	12,655
Fitch.....	1,144	4,598	1,001	3,472	575	1,953	649	2,445
Fox, blue.....	669	20,750	649	21,043	723	32,884	978	74,195
Fox, cross.....	1,931	65,684	1,723	61,784	1,388	46,937	1,279	39,730
Fox, red.....	1,548	16,149	1,248	13,567	1,119	13,018	923	8,826
Fox, silver.....	141,509	8,495,851	151,696	8,345,552	153,822	7,474,741	137,819	5,727,611
Fox, white.....	Nil	-	4	120	1	40	1	40
Karakul sheep.....	102	540	102	560	180	3,330	157	2,335
Lynx.....	Nil	-	Nil	-	Nil	-	3	300
Marten.....	113	6,460	122	7,225	136	8,175	200	14,765
Mink.....	31,946	695,492	44,695	1,314,133	71,410	2,035,307	106,283	2,894,850
Muskrat ¹	20,539	20,852	17,769	23,194	10,003	12,335	20,155	23,359
Nutria.....	72	1,065	62	1,320	152	4,265	323	11,225
Rabbit, chinchilla.....	2	5	2	-	2	-	2	-
Rabbit, n.e.s.....	57	109	2	-	2	-	2	-
Raccoon.....	1,334	10,658	930	7,889	865	6,932	678	4,968
Skunk.....	Nil	-	2	10	6	10	7	15
Weasel.....	8	4	8	8	3	9	Nil	-
Totals.....	202,363	9,381,825	221,079	9,838,280	241,359	9,676,431	270,381	8,929,504

¹ Based on estimates furnished by the operators of the farms. concerning rabbits on farms has been discontinued.

² The publication of information