

The Maritime Provinces did not adopt this policy to the same extent as did the rest of Canada. In Prince Edward Island practically all the forest land has been alienated and is in small holdings, chiefly farmers' woodlots. In Nova Scotia 87 p.c. of the forest land is privately owned; nearly half of this is in holdings exceeding 1,000 acres. In New Brunswick over 50 p.c. has been sold, and 20 p.c. is in holdings exceeding 1,000 acres. The percentage of privately owned forest land in the other provinces, exclusive of National Parks and Indian reserves, is as follows: Quebec, 7.3 p.c.; Ontario, 6.6 p.c.; Manitoba, 9.1 p.c.; Saskatchewan, 13.6 p.c.; Alberta, 7.7 p.c. and British Columbia, 3.4 p.c.

4.—Forest Reserves and Parks in Canada, 1943

Province	Dominion Forest Experiment Stations	National Parks	Provincial Forest Reserves	Provincial Parks	Total
	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles
Prince Edward Island.....	Nil	7.00	Nil	Nil	7.00
Nova Scotia.....	"	390.60	"	"	390.60
New Brunswick.....	35.00	0.09	92.18	"	127.27
Quebec.....	7.25	0.33	32,186.00	5,255.00	37,448.58
Ontario.....	97.10	11.72	19,606.00	4,298.15	24,012.97
Manitoba.....	25.25 ¹	1,148.12	3,811.09	Nil	4,959.21
Saskatchewan.....	Nil	1,869.00	10,721.05	1,146.38 ²	13,736.43
Alberta.....	62.60	20,937.20	14,317.23	2.27	35,319.30
British Columbia.....	Nil	1,715.00	30,968.26	14,084.42	46,767.68
Northwest Territories.....	"	3,625.00	Nil	Nil	3,625.00
Totals.....	201.95	29,704.06	111,701.81	24,786.22²	166,394.04

¹ Under National Park reservation and therefore not included in total. ² In addition, 537.21 sq. miles of Provincial Forest Reserves in Saskatchewan are administered under provincial park regulations.

Forest Lands under Dominion Control.—The forests under Dominion control are administered by the Department of Mines and Resources. The National Parks Bureau has charge of the National Parks, the Lands Registry Office administers the timber in Yukon and the Northwest Territories, and the Indian Affairs Branch administers, in trust for the Indians, the timber within their reservations. The Dominion Forest Service has charge of the Forest Experiment Stations.

Forest Lands Under Provincial Control.—With the exception of relatively small areas owned by the Dominion Government, the Crown lands and the timber on them are administered by the provinces in which they lie. As new regions are explored, their lands are examined and the agricultural land disposed of. Land suitable only for forest is set aside for timber production, and the policy of disposing of the title to lands fit only for the production of timber has been virtually abandoned in every province of Canada. Efforts are being made, especially in Quebec and Ontario, to encourage the establishment and maintenance of forests on a community basis. Information regarding forest administration in the individual provinces is given at pp. 234-236 of the 1942 Year Book.

Subsection 2.—Forest Fire Protection

The Dominion Government administers the forests of the National Parks, Forest Experiment Stations and the Northwest Territories and Yukon and is, therefore, responsible for fire-protection measures therein. Each of the Provincial Governments, except that of Prince Edward Island, maintains a fire-protection