

Subsection 2.—The Fish-Processing Industry

A special article on Developments in Fish Processing, prepared by the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa, appears in the 1941 Year Book, pp. 225-226.

Establishments, Capital, Employees, Materials Used and Products.—Among the fish-processing establishments in operation in Canada in 1943, the salmon canneries comprised the principal group with an investment valued at \$12,124,270, or 39 p.c. of the total for all establishments. About 67 p.c. of the value of production of the establishments was in the form of fish canned, cured or otherwise prepared, and 33 p.c. fish marketed for consumption in a fresh state.

8.—Fish-Processing Establishments, 1942 and 1943

Kind of Establishment	1942		1943	
	Number	Value ¹	Number	Value ¹
		\$		\$
Salmon canneries.....	31	16,602,929	32	12,124,270
Fish-curing establishments.....	209	5,159,679	203	5,654,123
Sardine and other fish canneries.....	25	4,868,086	51	4,688,448
Lobster canneries.....	122	802,876	130	1,157,574
Reduction plants.....	23 ²	2,286,431 ²	31	2,718,693
Fresh-fish and freezing plants.....	62	3,673,411	59	4,330,504
Clam canneries.....	21	160,719 ²	17	67,582
Totals.....	493²	33,554,131²	523	30,741,194

¹ Comprises values of land, buildings and machinery, products and supplies on hand, accounts and bills receivable, and cash.

² Revised since the publication of the 1943-44 Year Book.

9.—Fish-Processing Establishments, by Provinces, 1942 and 1943

Year and Kind of Establishment	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	B.C.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1942						
Lobster canneries.....	43	33	37	9	Nil	122
Salmon canneries.....	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	29	31
Clam canneries.....	3	3	13	"	2	21
Sardine and other fish canneries.....	5	7	6	"	7	25
Fish-curing establishments.....	19	88	33	64	5	209
Fresh-fish and freezing plants.....	2	15	12	20	13	62
Reduction plants.....	Nil	7	2	5	9	23
Totals, 1942.....	72	155	103	98	65	493
1943						
Lobster canneries.....	44	35	42	9	Nil	130
Salmon canneries.....	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	30	32
Clam canneries.....	1	6	9	1	8	68
Sardine and other fish canneries.....	18	10	9	6	6	203
Fish-curing establishments.....	7	91	33	66	12	59
Fresh-fish and freezing plants.....	1	15	12	19	13	31
Reduction plants.....	Nil	8	3	7		
Totals, 1943.....	71	167	108	108	69	523