

1.—Land Area of Canada, Classified as Agricultural, Forested or Unproductive—concluded

Description	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon and N.W.T. ⁵	Canada
	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles
Agricultural Land (Present and Potential)—					
Occupied—					
Improved—Crops and summerfallow.....	52,454	29,422	1,038	4	124,710
Pasture.....	1,225	978	268		13,286
Other.....	1,911	1,046	89		5,188*
Unimproved—Pasture.....	30,962	29,290	2,885		81,840
Forest (woodland).....	4,010	4,261	1,534	34,792	
Other.....	3,127	2,624	433	11,379	
Totals, Occupied.....	93,689	67,621	6,302 ⁷	4	271,195
Unoccupied—Grass, brush, etc.....	8,391	24,019	2,948	10,065	65,816
Forested.....	23,000	45,000	11,450	4,000	210,913
Totals, Unoccupied.....	31,391	69,019	14,398	14,065	276,729
Non-forested.....	98,070	87,379	7,666	10,069	302,219
Forested.....	27,010	49,261	13,034	4,000	245,705
Totals, Agricultural Land¹.....	125,080	136,640	20,700	14,069	547,924
Forested Lands—					
Softwood—Merchantable.....	1,500	7,700	35,400	4,200	299,300
Young growth.....	6,420	24,070	50,490	22,800	194,855
Mixed wood—Merchantable.....	2,000	9,360	2	1,000	70,410
Young growth.....	9,390	31,430	2	5,000	144,790
Hardwood—Merchantable.....	2,860	3,620	2	2,800	22,375
Young growth.....	23,890	16,880	2	11,200	81,380
Total Productive Forested Land.....	46,060	93,060	85,890	47,000	813,110
Unproductive Forested Land.....	40,000	37,560	128,560	76,000	477,850
Tenure—Privately owned.....	10,257	10,004	7,386	Nil	100,175
Crown land.....	75,803	120,616	207,064	123,000	1,190,785
Totals, Forested Land.....	86,060	130,620	214,450	123,000	1,290,960
Net Productive Land³.....	184,130	217,999	222,116	133,069	1,593,179
Waste and Other Land⁴.....	53,845	30,801	137,163	1,325,715	1,868,924
Totals, Land Area.....	237,975	248,800	359,279	1,458,784	3,462,103

¹ These totals embrace present agricultural land of all possible classes and land that has agricultural possibilities in any sense. ² Very small or negligible. ³ Total agricultural land plus forested land minus forested agricultural land. ⁴ Includes open muskeg, rock, road allowances, urban land, etc. ⁵ The figures given are strictly estimates but are the best available until definite data are obtainable. ⁶ Includes 4 sq. miles of occupied land in Yukon and the Northwest Territories. ⁷ An estimate from provincial sources places the total area of land suitable for tillage at 6,626 sq. miles.

Section 2.—National and Provincial Parks

National Parks of Canada.*—The National Parks of Canada† had their beginning in 1885 when an area of 10 square miles around the hot mineral springs at Banff, Alta., was reserved for public use. In little more than 60 years the system has grown to include 26 parks with an area of over 29,660 square miles, and stretches from the Selkirk Mountains in British Columbia to the east coast of Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. These parks are developed and maintained by the National Parks Bureau at Ottawa, for the use and enjoyment of the people of Canada, and have become a tourist attraction of first-rate importance. They serve

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† Excludes the Gatineau Park (25 square miles) and Quebec Battlefields Park (0.36 square miles) which are under Federal jurisdiction but, technically, are not National Parks.