

**Fur Farm Statistics.**—There was a reduction in the number of fur farms in 1947, there being 6,147 as compared with 6,797 in 1946. The decline was in fox farms though the number of mink farms increased by 5 p.c. The demand for short-haired furs continued, but that for long-haired furs was not as high as in pre-war years. Despite the decline in total number of farms the value of land and buildings used for fur animals increased 7 p.c. over the 1946 value, but the capital value of the live animals decreased 14 p.c.

#### 4.—Fur Farms, Land and Buildings, and Fur-Bearing Animals, by Provinces, 1945-47

Province	Fur Farms			Values of Land and Buildings			Values of Fur-Bearing Animals		
	1945	1946	1947	1945	1946	1947	1945	1946	1947
	No.	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
P. E. Island.....	567	503	383	646,985	614,030	505,864	914,216	574,222	312,027
Nova Scotia.....	380	350	316	231,177	249,293	216,730	441,229	421,333	265,061
New Brunswick....	426	383	296	273,795	274,915	218,391	651,438	467,125	259,651
Quebec.....	2,087	1,768	1,374	1,682,790	1,751,435	1,693,621	2,935,726	2,595,564	1,982,341
Ontario.....	1,089	1,348	1,425	1,953,493	2,490,908	2,878,978	3,467,485	4,318,112	4,418,462
Manitoba.....	528	638	655	1,497,892	2,021,523	2,372,955	2,115,805	2,367,444	2,122,403
Saskatchewan.....	479	467	414	650,016	935,260	1,027,878	1,304,476	1,357,211	985,196
Alberta.....	774	1,027	940	1,655,825	2,383,295	2,360,530	2,691,959	3,049,500	2,468,316
British Columbia..	260	313	344	549,299	831,831	1,070,327	890,424	1,184,776	1,302,492
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>6,590</b>	<b>6,797</b>	<b>6,147</b>	<b>9,141,272</b>	<b>11,552,490</b>	<b>12,345,274</b>	<b>15,412,758</b>	<b>16,335,287</b>	<b>14,115,949</b>

#### 5.—Fur-Bearing Animals on Fur Farms, as at Dec. 31, 1944-47

Kind of Animal	1944		1945		1946		1947	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		\$		\$		\$		\$
Chinchilla.....	263	100,700	402	127,050	1,285	668,020	4,040	1,578,400
Coyote.....	17	266	—	...	2	30	2	20
Fisher.....	115	13,860	160	18,835	192	24,285	148	17,871
Fitch.....	153	1,185	189	1,143	170	1,375	112	840
Fox, blue.....	2,357	251,875	3,252	354,369	3,560	324,334	2,344	82,665
Fox, cross.....	603	23,572	497	22,350	324	7,238	186	3,110
Fox, new-type.....	28,158	2,493,602	35,297	3,020,387	37,235	2,213,688	25,040	1,031,060
Fox, red.....	551	9,718	557	7,375	399	3,969	197	1,402
Fox, silver.....	71,121	3,707,483	68,277	3,380,426	57,711	2,111,301	36,685	1,048,991
Fox, other.....	20	1,835	19	1,685	40	2,605	72	4,095
Lynx.....	—	...	14	1,700	6	300	4	250
Marten.....	291	28,312	305	30,308	352	36,790	344	31,489
Mink.....	144,166	4,907,501	200,851	8,439,144	274,670	10,936,409	285,128	10,311,507
Nutria.....	219	6,925	201	6,049	110	3,660	208	3,238
Raccoon.....	169	2,076	193	1,917	173	1,226	156	1,001
Skunk.....	2	4	6	20	4	7	2	10
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>248,205</b>	<b>11,548,914</b>	<b>310,220</b>	<b>15,412,758</b>	<b>376,233</b>	<b>16,335,287</b>	<b>354,668</b>	<b>14,115,949</b>