

Section 1.—Lands Resources

The figures of Table 1 show how the land area is classified as between present and potential agricultural lands, present and potential forested lands, and lands that are unproductive as regards surface resources. Between the totals of present and potential agricultural lands and the totals of forested lands there is, of course, duplication to the extent of the agricultural lands under forest. The figures regarding agricultural lands are based on estimates from the Census of 1941 for all but the Prairie Provinces and Newfoundland; 1946 Census figures are used for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta and figures for the Island of Newfoundland are those of the 1945 Newfoundland Census. The Forestry Branch of the Department of Resources and Development supplies figures on forested lands and the Surveyor General those on the total land areas of Canada and the Provinces.

1.—Land Area, classified as Agricultural, Forested or Unproductive

NOTE.—Land area is shown classified by tenure in Chapter XXIX.

Description	Newfoundland ¹	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles
Agricultural Land (Present and Potential)—						
Occupied—						
Improved—Crops and summerfallow	98	741	906	1,366	9,600	14,972
Pasture.....		370	273	464	3,937	5,059
Other.....		41	90	100	623	849
Unimproved—Pasture.....	22	126	1,143	569	3,267	6,061
Forest (woodland)....	94	493	3,243	3,455	9,317	6,039
Other.....	..	55	308	240	1,478	2,001
Totals, Occupied.....	214	1,826	5,963	6,194	28,222	34,981
Unoccupied—						
Grass, brush, etc.....	..	64	3,677	1,056	1,500	5,899
Forested.....	..	80	3,000	9,500	36,893	61,990
Totals, Unoccupied.....	..	144	6,677	10,556	38,393	67,889
Non-forested.....	..	1,397	6,397	3,795	20,405	34,841
Forested.....	..	573	6,243	12,955	46,210	68,029
Totals, Agricultural Land².....	..	1,970	12,640	16,750	66,615	102,870
Forested Land—						
Softwood—						
Merchantable.....	..	90	4,600	5,000	105,745	36,900
Young growth.....	..	215	3,180	3,000	29,588	29,300
Mixed wood—						
Merchantable.....	..	150	825	7,000	23,041	24,100
Young growth.....	..	130	480	5,000	22,549	67,400
Hardwood—						
Merchantable.....	..	15	1,620	1,000	3,199	5,900
Young growth.....	..	10	850	1,000	6,543	10,200
Total Productive Forested Land....	..	610	11,555	22,000	190,665	173,800
Unproductive Forested Land.....	..	--	--	190	165,394	63,400
Tenure—Privately owned.....	..	608	8,465	11,140	26,905	14,240
Crown land.....	..	2	3,090	11,050	329,154	222,960
Totals, Forested Land.....	16,000	610	11,555	22,190	356,059	237,200
Net Productive Land³.....	..	2,007	17,952	25,985	376,464	272,041
Waste and Other Land⁴.....	..	177	2,791	1,488	147,396	91,241
Totals, Land Area.....	37,013	2,184	20,743	27,473	523,860	363,282

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