

**Fur Farm Statistics.**—There was a reduction in the number of fur farms in 1948, there being 5,040 as compared with 6,147 in 1947. The greatest decline was in fox farms though the number of mink farms also decreased by 12 p.c. The demand for short-haired furs continued, but that for long-haired furs was not as high as in pre-war years. Value of land and buildings used for fur animals decreased by 7 p.c. in 1948. Capital value of the live animals also declined by 37 p.c. from the 1947 figures.

#### 4.—Fur Farms and Values of Land and Buildings, and Fur-Bearing Animals by Provinces, 1946-48

Province	Fur Farms			Values of Land and Buildings			Values of Fur-Bearing Animals		
	1946	1947	1948	1946	1947	1948	1946	1947	1948
	No.	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
P.E. Island.....	503	383	246	614,030	505,864	436,404	574,222	312,027	172,688
Nova Scotia.....	350	316	219	249,293	216,730	191,674	421,333	265,061	175,973
New Brunswick....	383	296	205	274,915	218,391	193,314	467,125	259,651	131,056
Quebec.....	1,768	1,374	1,058	1,751,435	1,693,621	1,546,578	2,595,564	1,982,341	1,345,593
Ontario.....	1,348	1,425	1,306	2,490,908	2,878,978	2,628,207	4,318,112	4,418,462	2,696,060
Manitoba.....	638	655	581	2,021,523	2,372,955	2,272,869	2,367,444	2,122,403	1,210,580
Saskatchewan.....	467	414	285	935,260	1,027,878	780,442	1,357,211	985,196	477,627
Alberta.....	1,027	940	793	2,383,295	2,360,530	2,289,004	3,049,500	2,468,316	1,600,248
British Columbia...	313	344	347	831,831	1,070,327	1,133,812	1,184,776	1,302,492	1,099,710
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>6,797</b>	<b>6,147</b>	<b>5,040</b>	<b>11,552,490</b>	<b>12,345,274</b>	<b>11,472,304</b>	<b>16,335,287</b>	<b>14,115,949</b>	<b>8,909,535</b>

#### 5.—Fur-Bearing Animals on Fur Farms, as at Dec. 31, 1945-48

Kind of Animal	1945		1946		1947		1948	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		\$		\$		\$		\$
Chinchilla.....	402	127,050	1,285	668,020	4,040	1,578,400	4,339	1,088,900
Coyote.....	—	—	2	30	20	20	2	10
Fisher.....	160	18,835	192	24,285	148	17,871	83	10,250
Fitch.....	189	1,143	170	1,375	112	840	90	473
Fox, blue.....	3,252	354,369	3,560	324,384	2,344	82,665	985	40,103
Fox, cross.....	497	22,350	324	7,235	186	3,110	102	1,476
Fox, new-type.....	35,297	3,020,387	37,235	2,213,688	25,040	1,031,060	15,442	485,170
Fox, red.....	557	7,375	399	3,969	197	1,402	111	1,115
Fox, silver.....	68,277	3,380,426	57,711	2,111,301	36,685	1,048,991	26,166	690,911
Fox, other.....	19	1,685	40	2,605	72	4,095	61	1,800
Lynx.....	14	1,700	6	300	4	250	4	200
Marten.....	305	30,308	352	36,790	344	31,489	427	39,690
Mink.....	200,851	8,439,144	274,670	10,936,409	285,128	10,311,507	262,827	6,544,333
Nutria.....	201	6,049	110	3,660	20	3,238	130	4,167
Raccoon.....	193	1,917	173	1,226	156	1,001	163	922
Skunk.....	6	20	4	7	2	10	3	15
<b>Totals.....</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>	<b>313,933</b>	<b>8,909,535</b>