

5.—Fur-Bearing Animals on Fur Farms, as at Dec. 31, 1947-50

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Kind of Animal	1947		1948		1949		1950	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		\$		\$		\$		\$
Chinchilla.....	4,040	1,578,400	4,339	1,088,900	5,685	1,428,708	6,053	1,350,860
Coyote.....	2	20	2	10	1	1	—	—
Fisher.....	148	17,871	83	10,250	116	10,600	99	9,860
Fitch.....	112	840	90	473	85	519	43	225
Fox, blue.....	2,344	82,665	985	40,103	738	28,220	557	21,559
Fox, cross.....	186	3,110	102	1,476	2	2	2	2
Fox, new-type.....	25,040	1,031,080	15,442	485,170	9,734	265,694	6,857	187,574
Fox, red.....	197	1,402	111	1,115	2	2	2	2
Fox, silver.....	36,685	1,048,991	26,166	690,911	19,578	504,799	16,279	431,267
Fox, other.....	72	4,095	61	1,800	150	1,839	118	1,628
Lynx.....	4	250	4	200	1	1	—	—
Marten.....	344	31,489	427	39,690	371	30,790	327	31,020
Mink.....	285,128	10,311,507	262,827	6,544,333	263,673	6,469,273	286,152	8,408,379
Nutria.....	208	3,238	130	4,167	67	1,650	38	1,430
Raccoon.....	156	1,001	163	922	147	1,009	114	623
Skunk.....	2	10	3	15	1	1	1	1
Other fur animals..	—	—	—	—	8	124	9	61
Totals.....	354,668	14,115,949	310,935	8,909,535	300,352	8,743,225	316,646	10,444,286

¹ Included in "Other fur animals".² Included in "Fox, other".

6.—Values of Fur-Bearing Animals and of Pelts Sold from Fur Farms, 1947-50.

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Kind of Animal	1947		1948		1949		1950	
	Animals	Pelts	Animals	Pelts	Animals	Pelts	Animals	Pelts
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Chinchilla.....	238,820	—	201,557	—	404,161	150	518,750	—
Fisher.....	7,150	2,125	1,200	1,267	975	177	1	1
Fitch.....	113	676	90	1,422	75	280	1	1
Fox, blue.....	4,210	52,740	2,030	94,053	210	37,802	185	20,277
Fox, cross.....	160	4,490	105	2,436	2	2	2	2
Fox, new-type.....	38,451	1,389,998	9,459	1,015,612	2,642	427,964	4,287	283,573
Fox, red.....	25	2,203	2	2	2	2	2	2
Fox, silver.....	43,779	1,482,328	33,882	977,690	16,615	505,404	14,567	463,181
Fox, other.....	276	618	50	1,416	92	1,788	13	930
Marten.....	2,370	1,479	2,870	877	6,081	1,210	2,754	2,841
Mink.....	1,039,379	8,780,456	537,643	5,875,376	288,411	7,820,747	431,212	10,064,005
Nutria.....	140	270	534	388	80	2	1	1
Raccoon.....	84	113	65	15	42	26	1	1
Other fur animals..	—	—	—	—	300	—	730	700
Totals.....	1,374,957	11,717,496	789,485	7,970,552	719,684	8,795,550	972,498	10,835,507

¹ Included with "Other fur animals".² Included in "Fox, other".

Section 3.—Marketing of Furs

The first Canadian fur auction sale was held in 1920 at Montreal, Que., and although that city has always been the leading Canadian fur mart, auction sales are now held at Vancouver, B.C., Edmonton, Alta., Regina, Sask., and Winnipeg, Man. The Saskatchewan Government maintains a Fur Marketing Service at Regina to assist the producers in that Province.

Grading.—The grading of furs was introduced in 1939 by the Federal Department of Agriculture to secure uniformity so that furs may be purchased by grade without the necessity of buyers from other countries personally examining the