

Between Dec. 4, 1951, and June 12, 1952, the Federal Government entered into agreements with all the provinces, except Quebec and Newfoundland, based generally on the above provisions. In the years ended Mar. 31, 1952 and 1953, federal payments to the provinces under the forestry agreements amounted to \$802,405 and \$1,023,706, respectively, after deduction of refunds made by the provinces with respect to interim claims. In 1953-54, actual payments totalled \$1,170,189.

Inventory programs under the agreements were estimated to be two-thirds completed by the end of March 1954. The progress in forest inventories is given in Table 5.

5.—Progress in Forest Inventories to Mar. 31, 1954

Project	Estimated Area to be Covered	Area Covered Prior to Agreements	Area Covered Under Agreements		
			Prior to Mar. 31, 1953	Year Ended Mar. 31, 1954	Total
	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles
Ground control surveys.....	402,000	107,000	122,000	76,000	305,000
Air Photography—					
Small scale.....	686,000	246,000	158,000	173,000	577,000
Medium scale.....	449,000	201,000	113,000	65,000	379,000
Totals, Air Photography.....	1,135,000	447,000	271,000	238,000	956,000
Base Maps—					
Small scale.....	663,000	74,000	153,000	202,000	429,000
Large scale.....	339,000	199,000	40,000	19,000	258,000
Totals, Base Maps.....	1,002,000	273,000	193,000	221,000	687,000
Field surveys for forest data.....	935,000	167,000	249,000	118,000	534,000
Interpretation of photographs.....	1,021,000	163,000	242,000	207,000	612,000
Forest maps.....	1,021,000	85,000	184,000	163,000	432,000
Inventory reports.....	1,021,000	51,000	121,000	322,000	494,000

The total number of trees planted under the reforestation agreements up to Mar. 31, 1954, exceeded 30,000,000. In 1953-54, planting programs were carried out in five provinces to the extent of 9,386,000 trees. Details of over-all planting and seeding operations by provinces are shown in Table 6.

6.—Reforestation under the Forestry Agreements to Mar. 31, 1954

Province	Trees Planted		Area Planted		Area Seeded	
	Year Ended Mar. 31, 1954	Total to Mar. 31, 1954	Year Ended Mar. 31, 1954	Total to Mar. 31, 1954	Year Ended Mar. 31, 1954	Total to Mar. 31, 1954
	No.	No.	acres	acres	acres	acres
Prince Edward Island.....	29,000	48,000	25	38	—	—
Nova Scotia.....	36,000	59,000	35	59	—	—
Ontario.....	8,533,000	22,668,000	8,533	22,667	—	6,000
Manitoba.....	670,000	1,292,000	587	1,093	—	—
Saskatchewan.....	118,000	567,000	81	425	188	357
British Columbia.....	—	5,745,000	—	6,090	—	—
Totals.....	9,386,000	30,379,000	9,261	30,372	188	6,357