

**Fur-Farm Statistics.**—The post-war downward trend in number of fur farms continued through 1952 when there were 2,518 farms compared with 3,072 in 1951. From 1951 to 1952 the value of fur animals on these farms dropped from \$10,195,561 to \$9,560,702 and the operating revenues from \$12,400,000 to \$11,100,000.

The number of farms reporting foxes in 1952 decreased by 38 p.c. from 1951 to 380, and the number of foxes on these farms was lower by 49 p.c., totalling 7,366 and valued at \$140,261. Mink farms also declined from 2,324 in 1951 to 2,089 in 1952 and the number of mink on farms dropped to 287,213 valued at \$7,284,860 in 1952, which was 4,912 fewer in number and \$737,548 less in value than in 1951. Production of fox pelts in 1952 was 42 p.c. lower than in 1951 and that of mink pelts increased 7.5 p.c.

#### 4.—Fur Farms and Value of Fur-Bearing Animals, by Province, 1949-52

Province	Fur Farms				Values of Fur-Bearing Animals on Fur Farms			
	1949	1950	1951	1952	1949	1950	1951	1952
	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland.....								
Prince Edward Island....	179	127	88	60	158,108	146,908	101,565	75,845
Nova Scotia.....	163	130	110	82	154,987	184,051	195,171	143,795
New Brunswick.....	136	105	95	72	109,319	125,469	149,377	103,351
Quebec.....	718	561	389	248	1,179,718	1,306,429	1,043,629	1,112,157
Ontario.....	1,104	952	903	628	2,540,036	2,977,794	3,205,643	2,865,994
Manitoba.....	509	489	467	432	1,236,157	1,686,174	1,644,672	1,655,693
Saskatchewan.....	253	203	180	157	510,402	564,484	556,443	430,380
Alberta.....	657	601	519	503	1,576,938	1,978,989	1,768,280	1,553,926
British Columbia.....	330	324	321	336	1,277,560	1,473,988	1,530,781	1,619,561
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>4,049</b>	<b>3,492</b>	<b>3,072</b>	<b>2,518</b>	<b>8,743,225</b>	<b>10,444,286</b>	<b>10,195,561</b>	<b>9,560,702</b>

#### 5.—Fur-Bearing Animals on Fur Farms, as at Dec. 31, 1949-52

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Kind of Animal	1949		1950		1951		1952	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		\$		\$		\$		\$
Chinchilla.....	5,685	1,428,708	6,053	1,350,860	8,530	1,799,963	11,571	2,122,889
Fisher.....	116	10,600	99	9,860	45	4,520	31	1,910
Fitch.....	85	519	43	225	1	1	1	1
Fox, blue.....	738	28,220	557	21,359	269		148	
Fox, new-type.....	9,734	265,694	6,857	187,574	4,260		2,783	
Fox, silver.....	19,578	504,799	16,279	431,267	9,707	341,839	4,380	140,261
Fox, other.....	150	1,839	118	1,628	100		55	
Marten.....	371	30,790	327	31,020	255	21,970	166	9,305
Mink.....	263,673	6,469,273	286,152	8,408,379	292,125	8,022,408	287,213	7,284,860
Nutria.....	67	1,650	38	1,430	58	4,175	1	1
Raccoon.....	147	1,009	114	623	124	623	132	539
Other.....	8	124	9	61	12	63	44	938
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>300,352</b>	<b>8,743,225</b>	<b>316,646</b>	<b>10,444,286</b>	<b>315,485</b>	<b>10,195,561</b>	<b>306,523</b>	<b>9,560,702</b>

<sup>1</sup> Included in "Other"