

9.—Equivalent Volume of Solid Wood Cut and Value of Products of Woods Operations by Province 1953-55

NOTE.—The figures in this table have been calculated on a new basis and are not comparable with those published in the corresponding table of previous issues of the Year Book (see text on p. 480).

Province or Territory	Equivalent Volume of Solid Wood			Value of Products ¹		
	1953	1954	1955	1953	1954	1955
	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland.....	113,890	99,880	112,392	28,402,444	24,251,832	28,049,693
Prince Edward Island..	9,988	9,052	11,259	1,548,392	1,429,633	1,957,548
Nova Scotia.....	108,096	101,422	118,588	21,756,883	20,725,058	24,745,766
New Brunswick.....	190,978	175,948	202,645	45,214,437	40,593,071	45,929,729
Quebec.....	941,450	1,004,188	984,111	227,838,771	239,719,810	249,500,953
Ontario.....	504,179	497,261	542,031	122,224,164	122,759,430	144,476,972
Manitoba.....	60,392	62,035	56,646	9,096,576	9,940,925	9,486,023
Saskatchewan.....	71,680	65,326	55,225	7,591,213	8,010,511	7,496,533
Alberta.....	107,616	107,237	113,511	12,720,628	14,871,881	16,801,055
British Columbia.....	965,368	996,064	1,080,758	227,451,969	245,400,223	300,614,307
Yukon and N.W.T.....	4,428	3,900	2,904	693,411	668,333	514,135
Canada.....	3,078,065	3,122,313	3,280,070	704,538,888	728,369,907	829,572,714

¹ Includes value of forest products other than wood.

Subsection 2.—The Lumber Industry

The manufacture of sawn lumber is the second most important industry in Canada depending on the forest for its raw materials.

The total number of sawmills, tie, shingle, lath, veneer, stave, heading and hoop mills and mills for cutting-up and barking or rossing of pulpwood, reports of which were compiled for 1955, was 7,333 as compared with 7,696 in 1954. Mills sawing less than 15,000 ft. b.m. are excluded but account for less than one-half of one per cent of the total lumber production. Employees numbered 58,586 and wages and salaries amounted to \$152,556,819. Logs, bolts and other materials and supplies of the industry were valued at \$338,870,204, the gross value of production was \$644,482,990 and net value \$296,940,188.

Lumber production in Canada reached its maximum in 1955 at 7,920,033,000 ft. b.m. Average values were fairly uniform until 1916 but increased rapidly from 1917 to 1920 to decline gradually during the following years to the lowest level for the entire period in 1933. With the exception of 1938 and 1949 increases in average value took place each year from 1933 to 1951; decreases of 2.8 p.c., 4.7 p.c. and 1.5 p.c. occurred in 1952, 1953 and 1954, followed by an increase of 2.6 p.c. in 1955.

10.—Quantity and Value of Lumber Production and Value of All Sawmill Products by Province 1954 and 1955

Province or Territory	Lumber Production				Value of All Sawmill Products	
	Quantity		Value		1954	1955
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	M ft. b.m.	M ft. b.m.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland.....	30,716	32,691	1,795,559	1,996,166	2,081,838	2,114,437
Prince Edward Island..	8,827	9,610	468,586	534,194	536,769	593,050
Nova Scotia.....	273,583	353,682	16,102,774	21,309,769	17,406,816	23,057,289
New Brunswick.....	227,365	275,186	14,325,913	17,867,953	17,509,665	20,751,935
Quebec.....	1,099,036	1,025,094	73,094,936	69,545,538	86,038,897	81,381,153
Ontario.....	721,742	759,976	55,511,696	58,654,467	69,286,415	69,973,231
Manitoba.....	44,963	46,627	2,705,720	2,694,833	3,163,501	3,680,222
Saskatchewan.....	85,663	75,233	4,641,824	4,125,631	4,865,045	4,339,875
Alberta.....	366,027	421,616	20,250,893	22,288,596	22,793,615	23,853,097
British Columbia.....	4,378,695	4,914,285	293,429,444	342,058,910	347,883,651	414,944,542
Yukon and N.W.T.....	7,238	6,033	584,660	487,184	620,286	495,140
Canada.....	7,243,855	7,920,033	482,912,005	541,563,241	572,186,498	644,482,990