

2.—Pelts of Fur-Bearing Animals Produced by Province, Years Ended June 30, 1955 and 1956

Province or Territory	1955			1956		
	Pelts	Value	Percentage of Total Value	Pelts	Value	Percentage of Total Value
	No.	\$		No.	\$	
Newfoundland	25,891	63,535	0.2	35,779	276,742	1.0
Prince Edward Island	8,064	115,570	0.4	3,943	50,011	0.2
Nova Scotia	114,560	547,231	1.8	86,686	362,597	1.3
New Brunswick	61,171	356,725	1.2	30,544	288,442	1.0
Quebec	349,963	2,765,347	9.1	298,198	2,095,561	7.5
Ontario	1,287,943	7,243,070	23.7	960,181	7,136,666	26.4
Manitoba	1,879,157	6,038,776	19.8	1,768,020	6,087,719	21.7
Saskatchewan	2,720,979	4,555,802	14.9	2,304,593	3,446,003	12.3
Alberta	2,029,338	4,582,937	15.0	1,317,164	3,770,226	13.4
British Columbia	522,604	2,830,659	9.3	446,491	3,576,444	12.7
Yukon Territory	213,515	242,944	0.8	109,576	155,777	0.6
Northwest Territories	477,611	1,166,919	3.8	366,089	805,558	2.9
Canada	9,670,796	30,509,515	100.0	7,727,264	28,051,746	100.0

Average prices for the pelts were generally lower in 1955-56 than in 1954-55. Of the nine kinds having the highest value of production, muskrat pelts dropped from \$1.16 in 1954-55 to \$0.95 in 1955-56, beaver from \$14.88 to \$12.10, squirrel from \$0.55 to \$0.46, ermine from \$1.57 to \$1.35, fisher from \$22.75 to \$22.04 and marten from \$9.49 to \$7.85. Increases were noted for mink including standard and mutation from \$19.38 to \$20.19, white fox from \$11.39 to \$13.14 and otter from \$25.70 to \$26.71.

3.—Pelts of Fur-Bearing Animals Taken by Kind, Years Ended June 30, 1955 and 1956

Kind	1955			1956		
	Pelts	Total Value	Average Value	Pelts	Total Value	Average Value
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
Budger	249	81	0.33	271	95	0.35
Bear, white	530	14,840	28.00	454	11,490	25.31
Bear, unspecified	324	658	2.03	319	739	2.32
Beaver	320,389	4,767,232	14.88	282,036	3,412,108	12.10
Coyote or prairie wolf	5,400	13,855	2.57	4,534	11,072	2.44
Ermine (weasel)	301,059	474,036	1.57	379,597	512,163	1.35
Fisher	6,790	154,485	22.75	6,324	139,390	22.04
Fox, blue	888	5,142	5.79	331	2,180	6.59
Fox, cross	1,983	2,982	1.51	966	1,104	1.14
Fox, new-type	1,950	22,538	11.56	1,762	12,577	7.14
Fox, red	13,608	10,093	0.74	22,458	12,351	0.55
Fox, silver	6,315	52,609	8.33	4,683	31,184	6.66
Fox, white	81,783	931,607	11.39	31,728	417,027	13.14
Fox, other	26	70	...	74	490	...
Lynx	14,427	88,753	6.15	9,988	52,652	5.27
Marten	17,710	168,344	9.51	16,641	130,933	7.87
Mink, standard	499,321	9,103,196	18.23	515,548	9,895,874	19.19
Mink, mutation	296,975	6,325,103	21.30	363,282	7,851,762	21.07
Muskrat	5,619,277	6,518,993	1.16	4,518,731	4,313,453	0.95
Otter	15,294	393,064	25.70	14,492	387,143	26.71
Rabbit	91,064	50,253	0.55	117,709	66,815	0.57
Raccoon	33,675	65,743	1.95	36,807	81,743	2.22
Skunk	5,917	5,377	0.91	2,932	2,199	0.75
Squirrel	2,332,093	1,286,941	0.55	1,391,089	640,235	0.46
Wildcat	345	495	1.43	1,404	1,776	0.84
Wolf	1,228	4,837	3.94	558	2,510	4.50
Wolverine	485	7,647	15.77	599	10,546	17.61
Other	1,691	40,541	...	1,947	50,735	...
Totals	9,670,796	30,509,515	...	7,727,264	28,051,746	...