

2.—Tenure of Occupied Forest Lands, by Province, 1953

(Gross area in square miles)

Province	Private Forest Land			Crown Forest Land					Total Occupied Forest Land
	Farm Wood-lots	Other Private Lands	Total	Pulp-wood Licences	Saw Timber Licences	Timber Sales	Permit Berths	Total	
Newfoundland ¹	58	4,024	4,082	15,923	1,193	—	—	17,116	21,198
P. E. Island.....	541	67	608	—	—	—	—	—	608
Nova Scotia.....	2,884	5,581	8,465	700	—	44	—	744	9,209
New Brunswick.....	3,194	7,946	11,140	3,833	6,912	—	—	10,745	21,885
Quebec.....	9,179	10,858	20,037	71,812	8,857	—	—	80,669	100,706
Ontario.....	6,020	12,888	18,908	87,007	10,802	—	—	97,809	116,717
Manitoba.....	2,832	4,084	6,916	2,745	214	914	24	3,897	10,813
Saskatchewan.....	4,602	2,745	7,347	—	37	—	—	37	7,384
Alberta.....	4,477	4,561	9,038	—	2,500	150	50	2,700	11,738
British Columbia.....	1,807	8,573	10,380	756	2,846	3,020	617	7,239	17,619
Northwest Territories.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Yukon Territory.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	16
Canada¹.....	35,594	61,327	96,921	182,776	33,361	4,128	711	220,976	317,897

¹ Excludes Labrador.

3.—Forest Reserves and Parks, by Province, 1953

(Gross area)

Province or Territory	National Parks	Provincial Parks	Provincial Forest Reserves	Military Reserves	Indian Reserves	Federal Forest Experiment Stations	Total
	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles	sq. miles
Newfoundland.....	—	48	108	—	—	—	156
Prince Edward Island.....	7	—	—	—	4	—	11
Nova Scotia.....	390	—	—	23	30	—	443
New Brunswick.....	80	—	271	478	59	35	923
Quebec.....	¹	20,244	6,056	22	281	7	26,610
Ontario.....	12	5,079	19,526	280	2,436	97	27,430
Manitoba.....	1,148	2,604 ²	4,603 ²	176	819	25 ³	7,682 ²
Saskatchewan.....	1,496	1,685	140,807	83	1,882	—	145,953
Alberta.....	20,718	117	8,619	5	2,370	47	31,876
British Columbia.....	1,671	14,087	35,505	407	1,283	—	52,953
Northwest Territories.....	3,625	—	—	—	—	—	3,625
Yukon Territory.....	—	—	—	41	9	—	50
Canada.....	29,147	43,864	215,495	1,515	9,173	186	297,712²

¹ Gatineau Park (70 sq. miles) and Quebec Battlefields Park (0.36 sq. mile) are under federal jurisdiction but are not considered National Parks and are excluded from the Quebec total figures.² Provincial Park development is carried out in two provincial forest reserves having a total area of 1,668 sq. miles; duplication is omitted from totals.³ Included in the National Parks figure.

Section 4.—Forest Depletion

A general account of forest depletion and increment is presented in this Section. Details of the scientific control of those influences that account for wastage, viz., forest fires, insect pests, etc., are dealt with in Section 5, Forest Administration.

The average annual rate and cause of depletion of reserves of merchantable timber during the ten years 1942-51, together with preliminary data for 1952, are given in Table 4. Of the total depletion in the ten-year period, 81 p.c. was utilized and 19 p.c. was destroyed by fire, insects and disease. The utilization of 2,934,609,000