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Ottawa, October 28, 1938 - 4 p.m. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today an estimate of shorn wool production for 1938. This estimate has been based upon returns from wool growers in all provinces.

Total shorn wool production in Canada for 1938 was estimated at 13,384,000 pounds as compared with an estimate of 13,772,000 pounds in 1937. The 1937 estimates were based on an average of 7.5 pounds of wool per fleece, while the 1938 estimates were based on an average yield of 7.28 pounds as compiled from reports of wool growers. The estimate of pulled wool production (lamb's wool) will be published at the end of the year when the 1938 lamb marketings are available.

Average yields per sheep ranged from 5.63 pounds in Nova Scotia to 8.00 pounds in Alberta. At the time of reporting (June and July) 73 per cent of the total wool production had been sold.

SHORN WOOL PRODUCTION IN CANADA, 1938

Province	Number of Sheep Shorn	Average Yield per Sheep Pounds	Total Wool Production Pounds	Percentage of Total Wool Clip Sold (June and July)
Prince Edward Island	28,100	6.38	179,000	54
Nova Scotia	86,100	5.63	485,000	53
New Brunswick	63,500	6.41	407,000	49
Quebec	346,400	5.90	2,044,000	37
Ontario	436,600	7.87	3,436,000	73
Manitoba	119,300	7.30	871,000	59
Saskatchewan	189,100	7.94	1,501,000	68
Alberta	478,600	8.00	3,829,000	76
British Columbia	90,200	7.01	632,000	93
TOTAL	1,837,900	7.28	13,384,000	73

Average prices received by wool growers for the months of June, July and August 1938 were 6.4 cents per pound lower than for the same months of 1937, and one cent per pound lower than in the same period of 1936.

Wool Average Prices Received by Producers
 (June, July and August)
 Cents per Pound

1935	9.1
1936	12.2
1937	17.6
1938	11.2



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Year	Value	Value	Value
1970	100.0	100.0	100.0
1971	101.2	101.2	101.2
1972	102.5	102.5	102.5
1973	103.8	103.8	103.8
1974	105.1	105.1	105.1
1975	106.4	106.4	106.4
1976	107.7	107.7	107.7
1977	109.0	109.0	109.0
1978	110.3	110.3	110.3
1979	111.6	111.6	111.6
1980	112.9	112.9	112.9
1981	114.2	114.2	114.2

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