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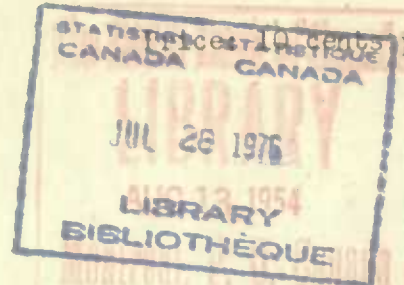
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## SHORN WOOL PRODUCTION

1954

Production of shorn wool in Canada<sup>1/</sup> from 1954 shearings is estimated at 6,810,000 pounds, greasy basis. This is an increase of 2.2 per cent from the 6,659,000 pounds produced in 1953.

Average fleece weight at about 7.4 pounds per sheep shorn is practically unchanged from 1953 for Canada as a whole with very moderate differences for all provinces except Saskatchewan where the decrease was .5 pounds and British Columbia with an increase of .7 pounds per fleece.

There was an increase of 2.6 per cent over last year in the number of sheep shorn. Sheep numbers increased in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec, Alberta and British Columbia.

### Shorn Wool Production, by Provinces, 1954 and 1953

Province	Sheep Shorn		Average Fleece Weight		Total <sup>2/</sup> Production	
	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953
	- number -		- pound -		- '000 pound -	
Prince Edward Is.	19,400	19,200	7.2	7.0	140	134
Nova Scotia	54,100	51,100	6.0	6.0	325	307
New Brunswick	34,500	33,300	6.3	6.3	217	210
Quebec	179,000	176,300	6.4	6.5	1,146	1,146
Ontario	207,000	208,800	7.7	7.7	1,594	1,608
Manitoba	29,300	31,900	6.9	7.1	202	226
Saskatchewan	83,000	90,800	7.6	8.1	631	735
Alberta	270,000	242,100	8.2	8.2	2,214	1,985
British Columbia	42,600	42,200	8.0	7.3	341	308
CANADA <sup>1/</sup>	918,900	895,700	7.4	7.4	6,810	6,659

<sup>1/</sup> Data for Newfoundland not available. The June 1, 1951 Census of Agriculture reported approximately 73,600 sheep in Newfoundland at that date and wool production of 134,000 pounds during 1950.

<sup>2/</sup> Pounds of wool in the grease.

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