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## PROPERTY OF THE SHORN WOOL PRODUCTION LIBRARY 1960

Production of shorn wool in 1960, estimated at 6,891,000 lb. was slightly higher than the clip of 6,800,000 lb. in 1959. The number of sheep shorn increased by 1,000 to 899,000 with increases in the West offsetting decreases in the East. The average weight per fleece, greasy basis, increased from 7.6 lb. to 7.7 lb., attributable to heavier fleeces this year from range flocks in Alberta and British Columbia.

Shearings in Eastern Canada yielded 2,826,000 lb. of wool, about 8 per cent below the 1959 production of 3,057,000 lb. Fleece weights declined in New Brunswick and Ontario. The average yield per sheep shorn in the East was 6.8 lb., compared with 7.0 lb. last year, and the number of sheep shorn decreased from 439,000 to 416,000.

Production in the West, at 4,065 lb., increased 9 per cent from last year's output. The number of sheep shorn rose to 483,000 from 459,000 and the average fleece weight increased from 8.1 lb. in 1959 to 8.4 lb. this year.

These estimates are based on an annual wool survey of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics conducted in all provinces except Newfoundland. Data for Newfoundland are not available.

	Choor	Champ	Average Fleece Weight 1/		During al		1960
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	- number -		- pounds -		- '000 pounds -		%
Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario	17,000 41,000 33,000 146,600 202,000	17,500 40,000 32,500 133,000 193,000	7.0 6.0 6.8 6.8 7.3	7.0 6.0 6.4 6.8 7.0	119 246 224 993 1,475	123 240 208 904 1,351	103 98 93 91 92
Totals, East	439,000	416,000	7.0	6.8	3,057	2,826	92
Manitoba Saskatohewan Alberta British Columbia	38,000 94,500 278,000 48,500	42,000 108,000 285,000 48,000	7.2 7.9 8.5 7.5	6.5 7.9 9.0 7.8	274 746 2,360 363	273 853 2,565 374	100 114 109 103
Totals, West	459,000	483,000	8.1	8.4	3,743	4,065	109
Totals, CANADA	898,000	899,000	7.6	7.7	6,800	6,891	101

Shorn Wool Production, by Province, 1959 and 1960

1/ Greasy basis.

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