

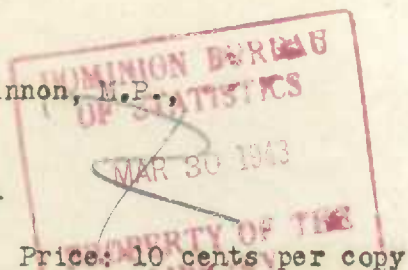
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WOOL PRODUCTION

Ottawa, March 29, 1943.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a report giving estimates of shorn and pulled wool production for 1942, the gross income from wool and the cash income from sales of wool off farms.

SUMMARY

Total wool production in Canada in 1942 at 17,596,000 pounds showed a substantial increase over the 1941 output. The production of shorn wool amounted to 12,867,000 pounds, an increase of 1,237,000 pounds over the 1941 clip. An increase in the total numbers of sheep shorn as well as a minor increase in the average yield per fleece was responsible for the increased output. Greater slaughterings of sheep and lambs resulted in a minor increase in the production of pulled wool. Cash income from the sale of wool in 1942 amounted to \$2,977,000, an increase of almost 30 per cent over the 1941 figure. The average price received at the farm for wool in 1942 was 25.5 cents per pound for all Canada. At December 1, 1942 virtually all of the 1942 clip had been marketed.

Table 1

Production of Wool in Canada, 1930 to 1942 ^{1/}
(Greasy Basis)

Calendar Year	Shorn ^{2/}	Pulled	Total
(Thousand Pounds)			
1930	12,800	3,852	16,652
1931	13,575	4,250	17,825
1932	13,836	4,087	17,923
1933	12,984	4,511	17,495
1934	12,935	4,443	17,378
1935	12,644	4,499	17,143
1936	12,521	4,374	16,895
1937	12,289	4,358	16,647
1938	12,000	4,309	16,309
1939	11,761	4,277	16,038
1940	11,549	4,386	15,935
1941	11,630	4,710	16,340
1942	12,867	4,729	17,596

^{1/} Figures of exports and imports of wool in 1942 are not available for publication.

^{2/} Estimates of shorn wool production from 1932 to 1941 have been revised downward from previously published figures on the basis of preliminary results of the 1941 census.

Shorn Wool Production

The average yield per fleece in 1942 was 7.7 pounds as compared with 7.5 pounds in 1941. This, combined with an increase of 18,100 head of sheep shorn, resulted in an increase of 1,237,000 pounds in total shorn wool production. The 1942 clip was higher in all provinces except New Brunswick where numbers of sheep were slightly lower.

Table 2

Shorn Wool Production in Canada
By Provinces, 1941 and 1942

Province	Number of Sheep Shorn		Average Yield Per Fleece		Total Shorn Wool Production	
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
			pounds		000 pounds	
Prince Edward Island	24,200	25,400	6.7	7.1	162	180
Nova Scotia	76,700	77,800	5.8	6.2	445	482
New Brunswick	50,600	48,600	6.5	6.7	329	326
Quebec	284,500	272,600	6.1	6.5	1,736	1,772
Ontario	342,000	346,800	8.0	8.3	2,736	2,878
Manitoba	125,700	160,400	7.8	7.4	980	1,187
Saskatchewan	183,100	226,900	8.2	8.0	1,501	1,815
Alberta	400,200	442,800	8.2	8.4	3,282	3,720
British Columbia	63,800	67,600	7.2	7.5	459	507
TOTAL	1,550,800	1,668,900	7.5	7.7	11,630	12,867

Shorn Wool: Gross Income and Cash Income

Gross income from the 1942 wool crop totalled \$3,283,000 compared with \$2,557,000 in 1941. Cash income amounted to \$2,977,000 in 1942, an increase of \$665,000 over the 1941 total. Higher prices, combined with an increase in the quantity sold, resulted in the higher values in 1942.

Table 3

Gross Income and Cash Income from Shorn Wool, 1941 (revised) and 1942

	Total Clip	Quantity Sold	Average Farm Price	Gross Income	Cash Income
	000 lb.	000 lb.	¢ per lb.	\$ 000	\$ 000
<u>1941</u>					
Prince Edward Island	162	111	.254	41	28
Nova Scotia	445	393	.266	118	105
New Brunswick	329	277	.282	93	78
Quebec	1,736	880	.283	491	248
Ontario	2,736	2,780	.240	657	668
Manitoba	980	939	.190	186	179
Saskatchewan	1,501	1,504	.191	287	287
Alberta	3,282	3,408	.182	597	619
British Columbia	459	453	.190	87	100
CANADA	11,630	10,745	.220	2,557	2,312
<u>1942</u>					
Prince Edward Island	180	154	.271	49	42
Nova Scotia	482	436	.286	138	125
New Brunswick	326	295	.307	100	91
Quebec	1,772	903	.303	537	274
Ontario	2,878	2,894	.277	797	801
Manitoba	1,187	1,126	.224	266	252
Saskatchewan	1,815	1,812	.226	410	409
Alberta	3,720	3,708	.230	856	854
British Columbia	507	505	.256	130	129
CANADA	12,867	11,833	.255	3,283	2,977

Sheep to be Shorn in 1943

Reports from correspondents indicate that there will be an increase of about 10 per cent in the number of sheep shorn in 1943. The increase appears to be quite uniform across the country.

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