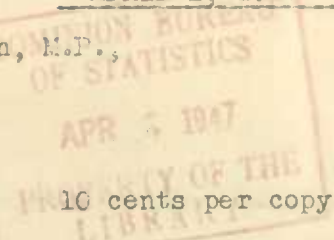


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WOOL PRODUCTION

Ottawa, April 1, 1947.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issued today a report giving the estimates of shorn and pulled wool production, exports, imports and apparent domestic disappearance for 1946, the gross income from wool and the cash income from sales of wool off farms.

SUMMARY

Total wool production in Canada in 1946 amounted to 19,001,000 pounds, a reduction of 625,000 pounds from the 1945 output. The reduction was attributable to a decline in shorn wool production which was 802,000 pounds below that of 1945.

The domestic disappearance of wool in 1946 amounted to 112.6 million pounds as compared with 67.2 million pounds in 1945. The large increase was due to importation of slightly over 100 million pounds (greasy basis) of wool. Gross income in 1946 from shorn wool amounted to \$3,801,000 as compared with \$4,015,000 in 1945. Likewise, cash income from sales of wool in 1946 declined to \$3,460,000 from the 1945 level of \$3,656,000.

Table 1

Production, Exports, Imports and Domestic Disappearance of Wool in Canada,
1930 - 1946
(Greasy Basis)

	Production			Exports ^{1/}	Imports ^{2/}	Domestic Disappearance ^{3/}
	Shorn	Pulled	Total			
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1930	12,800	3,854	16,654	4,424	24,093	36,323
1931	13,575	4,171	17,746	4,805	29,339	42,280
1932	13,836	3,944	17,780	3,769	30,599	44,610
1933	12,984	4,250	17,234	11,671	42,682	48,245
1934	12,935	4,138	17,073	4,295	41,800	54,578
1935	12,644	4,109	16,753	8,755	47,551	55,549
1936	12,521	3,882	16,403	9,775	59,128	65,756
1937	12,289	3,785	16,074	5,093	60,375	71,356
1938	12,000	3,628	15,628	4,398	45,101	56,331
1939	11,761	3,489	15,250	4,879	51,953	62,324
1940	11,549	3,346	14,895	2,681	86,170	98,384
1941	11,630	3,524	15,254	3,025	93,070	105,299
1942	12,867	3,610	16,477	384	114,428	130,521
1943	13,929	3,889	17,818	2,316	104,364	119,866
1944	15,128	4,151	19,279	15,520	52,690	56,449
1945	14,513	5,113	19,626	11,927	59,506	67,205
1946	13,711	5,290	19,001	6,409	100,042	112,634

^{1/} Exports of wool for the years 1930-45 consist of wool in the grease, wool washed or scoured, and wool pulled or slipped, converted to a greasy basis. In 1946, they include in addition, wool noils and wool tops on a greasy basis.

^{2/} Imports of wool consist of wool in the grease, wool washed or scoured, wool pulled or slipped, noils, worsted tops, and garnetted wool waste in the white, converted to a greasy basis. ^{3/} Not adjusted for stock changes.



Table 2

Shorn Wool Production in Canada, by Provinces, 1945 and 1946

	Sheep Shorn		Average Yield per Fleece		Total Production	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
	No.	No.	lb.	lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
Prince Edward Island	30,400	28,300	7.0	6.9	213	195
Nova Scotia	86,100	84,600	5.6	6.0	482	508
New Brunswick	55,500	52,300	6.2	6.3	344	329
Quebec	317,600	296,100	6.3	6.0	2,001	1,777
Ontario	370,400	357,000	7.6	7.6	2,815	2,713
Manitoba	151,200	115,200	6.9	6.8	1,043	783
Saskatchewan	295,100	295,100	8.0	8.2	2,361	2,420
Alberta	530,400	494,200	8.8	9.0	4,668	4,448
British Columbia	80,300	70,800	7.3	7.6	586	538
CANADA	1,917,000	1,793,600	7.6	7.6	14,513	13,711

Table 3

Gross Income and Cash Income from Shorn Wool in Canada, by Provinces, 1945 and 1946 ^{1/}

Province and Year	Total Clip	Quantity Sold	Average Farm Price per Pound ^{2/}	Gross Income ^{2/}	Cash Income ^{2/}
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	cts.	\$ '000	\$ '000
1 9 4 5					
Prince Edward Island	213	201	29.3	62	59
Nova Scotia	482	417	33.8	163	141
New Brunswick	344	269	32.8	113	88
Quebec	2,001	1,113	30.2	604	336
Ontario	2,815	2,790	29.0	815	808
Manitoba	1,043	983	24.7	258	243
Saskatchewan	2,361	2,324	26.5	625	615
Alberta	4,668	4,638	26.0	1,212	1,204
British Columbia	586	583	27.8	163	162
CANADA	14,513	13,318	27.7	4,015	3,656
1 9 4 6					
Prince Edward Island	195	169	30.5	60	52
Nova Scotia	508	435	33.6	171	146
New Brunswick	329	262	30.5	100	80
Quebec	1,777	965	30.7	545	296
Ontario	2,713	2,694	28.6	776	771
Manitoba	783	728	25.1	197	183
Saskatchewan	2,420	2,386	27.3	660	651
Alberta	4,448	4,408	25.8	1,147	1,137
British Columbia	538	535	27.0	145	144
CANADA	13,711	12,582	27.7	3,801	3,460

^{1/} Gross and cash income calculated on basis of wool crop year, May 1 to April 30.

^{2/} Data for 1946 subject to revision.