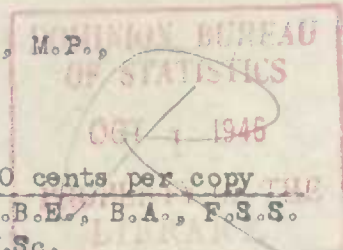


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THE ANTICIPATED PELT PRODUCTION OF FUR FARMS, CANADA, SEASON 1946-1947

Ottawa, September 30, 1946. - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a report on the estimated numbers of silver and new type foxes and standard and new type mink, of fox pups raised and foxes to be pelted, mink kittens raised and mink to be pelted in 1946. These estimates are based on a sample survey and are preliminary in nature.

SUMMARY

An estimate of the number of pelts available in Canada from fur farms for the marketing season of 1946-47 indicates that there will be approximately 96,300 standard silver fox, 54,200 new type fox, 303,700 standard mink and 15,300 new type mink pelts. At the beginning of the year 1946, there were approximately 63,300 standard silver and 30,700 new type foxes on farms. The number of standard silver fox pups raised is estimated at 101,700 and of new type pups 61,800. The number of standard mink on farms at the beginning of the year is estimated at 157,300 and of new type mink 16,000. Standard mink kittens raised are estimated at 365,500 and new type at 41,500.

The estimates from the sample survey for 1945 are given below along with those for 1946 for purposes of comparison.

Numbers of Foxes and Mink on Farms, Numbers Raised and to be Pelted, 1945 and 1946

FOXES	Estimated	
	1945 No.	1946 No.
Adult Standard Silver Foxes on all farms at beginning of year:		
Male	15,023	13,988
Female	52,281	49,297
Adult New Type Foxes on all farms at beginning of year:		
Male	11,790	12,205
Female	17,283	18,466
Standard Silver Fox Pups Raised	120,600	101,723
New Type Fox Pups Raised	61,863	61,843
Standard Silver Foxes to be Pelted	115,325	96,301
New Type Foxes to be Pelted	53,429	54,224

MINK

Adult Standard Mink on farms at beginning of year:		
Male	26,636	26,233
Female	100,078	131,119
Adult New Type Mink on farms at beginning of year:		
Male	1,471	5,667
Female	2,668	10,467
Standard Mink Kittens Raised	297,645	365,483
New Type Mink Kittens Raised	12,168	41,564
Standard Mink to be Pelted	252,532	303,682
New Type Mink to be Pelted	2,698	15,305

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