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THE ANTICIPATED PELT PRODUCTION ON FUR FARMS

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According to pelting intentions reported in a sample survey of fur farms the number of mink to be pelted this fall and winter will be approximately 1,302,400, three per cent greater than the current estimate of last year's output of 1,264,300 mink pelts. Increases are expected in the number of grey, blue and beige pelts, but the number of standard, brown and white pelts will be less than in 1961. According to the survey, ranchers are planning to retain approximately 16 per cent more mink for breeding stock. These reported intentions may be modified to some extent by economic conditions at pelting time.

This is the fourth annual forecast in which a detailed colour phase breakdown for mink peltings has been attempted. It is to be expected that forecasts by colour phase may be less accurate than forecasts for total peltings. The current estimate of 1961 mink pelt production of fur farms, at 1,264,300, is about 10,000, or 0.8 per cent, higher than the advance estimate of 1961 peltings published a year ago.

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	1960	1961		1962	1962 as
	<u>Final</u>	<u>Advance Estimate</u>	<u>Current Estimate</u> ^{1/}	<u>Advance Estimate</u>	<u>% of 1961</u>
<u>On Farms,</u> <u>January 1:</u>	496,800	518,300	513,200	522,900	101.9
<u>Kits Raised:</u>	1,225,919	1,286,900	1,271,900	1,383,900	108.8
<u>Peltings:</u>					
Standard (Dark)	239,108	227,600	227,900	220,300	96.7
Grey	45,447	42,500	43,800	44,000	100.5
Dark Blue	69,908	78,900	78,600	92,300	117.4
Light Blue	195,326	208,800	209,800	255,600	121.8
Brown	476,938	496,800	494,300	427,600	86.5
Beige	74,368	116,200	126,000	183,800	145.9
White	102,758	83,600	83,900	78,800	93.9
Total Mink Pelts	1,203,853	1,254,400	1,264,300	1,302,400	103.0

^{1/} Interim revision of 1961 estimate based on final 1961 reports received to date.

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