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FUR FARMS OF CANADA - 1934

Continued expansion of the Fur Farming Industry of Canada is shown by statistics prepared from the compilation of returns of the postal census of fur farms for the year 1934. The industry had its origin in the Province of Prince Edward Island about the year 1878 and has now spread throughout the Dominion, Ontario in 1934 taking the lead in value of fur farm property with Quebec and Prince Edward Island closely following.

The total value of the fur bearing animals on the farms at the end of the year 1934, was \$ 8,427,567, an increase over the preceding year of nearly a million dollars. Revenue received by the farms from the sale of live animals and of pelts was \$4,539,061 as compared with \$4,066,905 in 1933.

The term "fur farming" has been regarded as nearly synonymous with that of "fox farming", as the value of silver foxes on the farms represents 92 per cent of the total value of all kinds of fur bearing animals kept in captivity. In 1934 the number of fox farms in operation in Canada was 6,083 and of miscellaneous kinds, 936. Chief among the miscellaneous kinds are mink farms, numbering 624 and raccoon farms numbering 182. The complete report on the fur farming industry for the year 1934, giving information in detail, is now being prepared and it is hoped to have it ready for distribution early in March. A list of the operators of the farms will be issued as an appendix to the report.

The following summary tables give preliminary statistics of the number of fur farms, the value of property and the revenue derived from the sale of live animals and pelts, in each of the years 1933 and 1934.

1. Number of Fur Farms, 1933 and 1934.

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	Fox Farms	Miscellaneous Fur Farms	Fox Farms	Miscellaneous Fur Farms	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	
Prince Edward Island	607	2	645	1	
Nova Scotia	578	81	612	78	
New Brunswick	754	2	977	14	
Quebec	1,912	235	2,087	192	
Ontario	768	276	776	250	
Manitoba	194	86	241	111	
Saskatchewan	156	44	171	54	
Alberta	360	88	407	103	
British Columbia	173	150	162	131	
Mukon Territory	5	2	5	2	
TOTAL	5,507	966	6,083	936	

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2. Value of Property, by Provinces, 1933 and 1934.

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	Value	Value	Total	Value	Value	Total	
	of land	of fur-	value	of land	of fur-	value	
	and	bearing	of	and	bearing	of	
	buildings	animals	property	buildings	animals p	roperty	
The second second	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
rince Edward Island	901,201	1,052,172	1,953,373	879,083	1,168,683	2,047,766	
ova Scotia	239,671	408,045	647,716	254,739	431,098	685,837	
ew Brunswick	410,484	668,192	1,078,676	563,009	941,746	1,504,755	
uebec	1,059,734	1,517,668	2,577,402	2 1035,942	1,627,874	2,663,816	
ntario	1,224,942	1,464,181	2,689,123	1215,022	1,606,592	2,821,614	
anitoba	522,505	649,331	1,171,836	592,400	760,546	1,352,946	
askatchewan	659,467	441,896	1,101,363	404,707	490,828	895,535	
lberta	788,309	963,480	1,751,789	852,449	1,077,110	1,929,559	
ritish Columbia	444,338	336,237	780,575	397,887	314,725	712,612	
ukon Territory (a)	14,550	8,365	22,915	14,550	8,365	22,915	
TOTAL	6,265,201				8,427,567		

5. Revenue from Fur Farms, by Provinces, 1933 and 1934.

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	1933	1934
	\$ 477.50	\$
rince Edward Island	622,392	762,296
lova Scotia		275,545
lew Brunswick		764,088
uebec		974,802
ntario		704,121
anitoba		272,358
askatchewan		207,129
lberta		453,087
		120,589
ritish Columbia ukon Territory (a)	5,046	5,046
TOTAL	4,066,905	4,539,061
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⁽a) Returns have not yet been received for the Yukon Territory for 1934 and the 1935 figures are therefore repeated in the 1934 statement.

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