



In the Forests of Finland: Scotch Pine Crown Forest at Evois, Finland, 95 years old.

Finland's Public-owned Forests

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**Amazingly Low Fire Losses and High
Income to State; 180 Foresters Employed.**

Finland, with a total forest area variously estimated at from one-half to two-thirds of its total land area, probably has a larger proportion of forest area than any other country in the world. Of this forest area considerably more than half is owned by the State. According to recently published official statistics the area of these State forests in 1912 was as follows:

	Per cent.	Area (acres).
Cultivated lands56	174,000
Productive (dry) forest land	42.67	13,295,000
Unreclaimable swamp and marsh land	53.00	16,516,000
Water	3.77	1,176,000
	100.00	31,161,000

The small per cent. of cultivated land and the large per cent. of unreclaimable swamp and marsh land are particularly noteworthy. Of the total