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The fur trade is a responsible industry based on the **sustainable use of renewable natural resources.**

After 400 years of commercial trading, **there are as many beavers in Canada now as when Europeans first arrived.** Thanks to excellent conservation policies, Canadian furs are abundant and absolutely no endangered species are used.

The fur trade contributes more than **\$2 billion annually** to the North American economy, including more than \$400 million in exports.

The North American fur trade is **committed to responsible treatment of animals.** Trapping methods are strictly regulated by provincial, state and territorial wildlife departments.

An international agreement signed by Canada, the United States, Russia and the European Union establishes scientific protocols for **humane trapping standards.**

Many Canadian families rely on beaver, muskrat and other fur animals for **food as well as income.** When you buy fur, you support thousands of aboriginal and other people living on the land.

A fine **natural product,** fur is a biodegradable, renewable resource – it can even be re-styled as fashions change.



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