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MONTHLY REVIEW OF DAIRY PRODUCTION IN CANADA, JUNE, 1939. (Issued Monday at 12 o'clock noon, July 10, 1939)

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in June decreased approximately 2 per cent as compared with the June make of 1938 and increased 48 per cent, as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of June 40.9 million pounds of butter were produced and during the six months ending June, the output reached a total of 113.7 million pounds. The decrease in the June make occurred in all provinces except Quebec and Saskatchewan.

CHEESE PRODUCTION decreased approximately one half of one per cent in June as compared with June 1938, and increased 11.1 million pounds as compared with the output for the preceding month. The June make was approximately 22.1 million pounds and the total during the period January to June amounted to 40.1 million pounds. The decrease in the June make occurred in all provinces except New Brunwick, Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

The production of CONCENTRATED MILK PRODUCTS for the month of May registered a decrease of approximately 10 per cent as compared with the same month last year and an increase of 33 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During May 14.4 million pounds of Concentrated Whole Milk Products were manufactured in Canada and 3.3 million pounds of Concentrated Milk By Products. During the five months January to May 41.2 million pounds of the former and 12.6 million pounds of the latter were produced in condenseries and creameries in the Dominion, making a total of 17.7 million pounds for May and 53.8 million pounds for the five months ending May.

CREAMERY BUTTER PRICES at Montreal, as quoted daily by the Canadian Commodity Exchange for the first grade product, averaged 21 7/8 cents a pound, compared with 25½ cents in June, 1938. Ontario coloured cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations averaged 12 3/8 cents in June compared with 14 3/8 cents in June, 1938.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of June represented the equivalent of 1.2 billion pounds of milk, registering a decrease of approximately 20.4 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 79.5 per cent and cheese represented 20.5 per cent of the total.

Exports of Butter in June amounted to 1,260,900 pounds as compared with 1,036,500 pounds last month and 55,700 pounds in June, 1938.

Exports of Cheese in June reached a total of 6,449,000 pounds as against 5,448,500 pounds last month and 5,477,200 pounds in June a year ago.

The domestic disappearance of butter in the month of May amounted to 21.6 million pounds, representing an increase of 6.1 per cent as compared with the same month last year and an increase of 17.0 per cent in comparison with the preceding month. This estimate is based on storage and transit stocks amounting to 14.9 million pounds at June 1, 1939, and exports and imports amounting to 1,036,500 pounds and 1,642 pounds respectively.

1 - PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, JUNE, 1938 AND 1939.

Province	MAY			JUNE			
	1938	1939x	More (+) Less (~)	1938	1989,4	More (+) Less (-)	
CANADA	Lb. 28,962,502	Lb. 27,674,911	% (-) 4.5	Lb. 41,763,804	Lb. 40,943,551	(-) 2.0	
Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	165,042 560,556 384,850 9,115,387 9,959,713 2,813,134 2,155,275 3,074,916 733,629	110,317 452,648 309,437 7,801,840 9,394,947 2,909,919 2,797,600 3,179,003 719,200	(-) 33.2 (-) 19.3 (-) 19.6 (-) 14.4 (-) 5.7 (+) 3.4 (+) 29.8 (+) 3.4 (-) 2.0		817,789 629,250 13,244,028 11,989,956 4,140,751 4,431,412	(-) 28.9 (-) 14.6 (-) 23.2 (+) 0.4 (-) 2.2 (-) 1.0 (+) 2.6 (-) 4.5 (-) 1.0	

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11 - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES JUNE, 1938 AND 1939.

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Province	1938	193 9 x	More (+) Less (-)		1938	1939 /	More (+) Less (-)	
	Lb.	Lb.	%		Lb.	Lb。	%	
CANADA	11,521,397	10,969,266	()	4.8	22,157,229	22,050,271	(-)	0.5
Prince Edward Island New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia.	70 48,789 1,646,818 9,171,120 351,350 23,776 206,324 73,150	69,544 1,468,559 8,638,274 361,867 36,753 274,766 119,503	() (+) (+) (+)	42.5 10.8 5.8 3.0 54.6 33.2 63.4	67,331 122,999 5,010,577 15,984,927 475,455 83,248 347,565 65,127	53,921 139,308 4,905,899 15,985,054 472,361 83,300 294,317 116,111	(+) (-) (+) (-) (+)	19.9 13.3 2.1 0.7 0.1 15.3 78.3

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111. - CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER AND FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, JANUARY TO JUNE, 1938 AND 1939.

JANUARY TO JUNE									
		BUTTER		CHEESE					
Province	1938	1939	More (+) Less ()	1938	1939	More (+) Less (-)			
	Lho	Lb.	%	Lb。	Lb.	p			
CANADA	113,301,192	113,663,614	(+) 0.3	37,371,109	40,147,071	(+) 7.4			
Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia.	3,039,002 1,694,181 28,997,337 41,445,117 11,650,583 9,244,728 13,435,882	711,727 2,603,839 1,403,337 28,083,383 41,862,478 12,046,132 10,346,983 13,201,006 3,404,729	(-) 14.3 (-) 17.2 (-) 3.2 (+) 1.0 (+) 3.4 (+) 11.9 (-) 1.8	67,401 171,788 7,084,242 27,226,243 1,458,186 114,869 942,300 306,080	53,921 208,852 7,011,794 29,260,037 1,678,880 127,336 1,240,508 565,743	(-) 20.0 (+) 21.6 (-) 1.0 (+) 7.5 (+) 15.1 (+) 10.9 (+) 31.6 (+) 84.8			

REVIEW OF PRODUCTION SITUATION

Below normal temperatures continued throughout the first part of June with frosts in some sections. The latter half of the month was inclined to be warmer and beneficial rains materially benefited pastures and growing crops. Pasture conditions at this date are good to excellent, although rains are needed to arrest the effects of rising temperatures. Low rainfall in the Maritimes offers the promise of good quality hay, but the late season has delayed haying operations. Farmers are busy with haying in the Central Provinces and a fair crop is in prospect. The yield will be light in the middle and western counties of Ontario. Dry weather has hastened the development of grain in some sections; oats are heading prematurely but late sown crops will be benefited by the general rains during the last week of June. Cool weather and a normal rainfall in Manitoba give the assurance of favourable crop and pasture conditions except in the extreme western areas. Saskatchewan received several good rains; only slight grasshopper damage has been reported and the south west is the only part suffering from a lack of moisture. Cool weather with timely showers produced a good pasture growth in Alberta, and while heavy rains delayed having in British Columbia the pastures are good and crop prospects are much better than last year.

The condition of live stock has improved in the last month. The cow population is about the same as last year, but the percentage of cows actually milking fell from 80.8 per cent in May, 1938 to 78.5 per cent in May, 1939. Milk production per cow averaged 16.8 pounds per day which was practically on a per with last year. Several shipments of dairy cows from Nova Scotia to points in Ontario and Massachusetts during May showed a price range of from \$40 to \$65 for grades and up to \$100 for pure breds.

Increased interest in cheese production is indicated in the establishment of four new factories in Alberta and four in Manitoba. Butter-fat prices averaged from 16 to 19 cents in June. Stronger cheese and butter prices in the Old Country were reflected in slight advances in butter-fat and factory milk prices during the latter part of the month. Unless exceptionally warm weather develops the production of milk in July would be expected to equal that of the same month of a year ago. The cheese industry promises to benefit from a diversion from creameries, although the gain may be partially offset by greater quantities of milk used for live stock feeding.



