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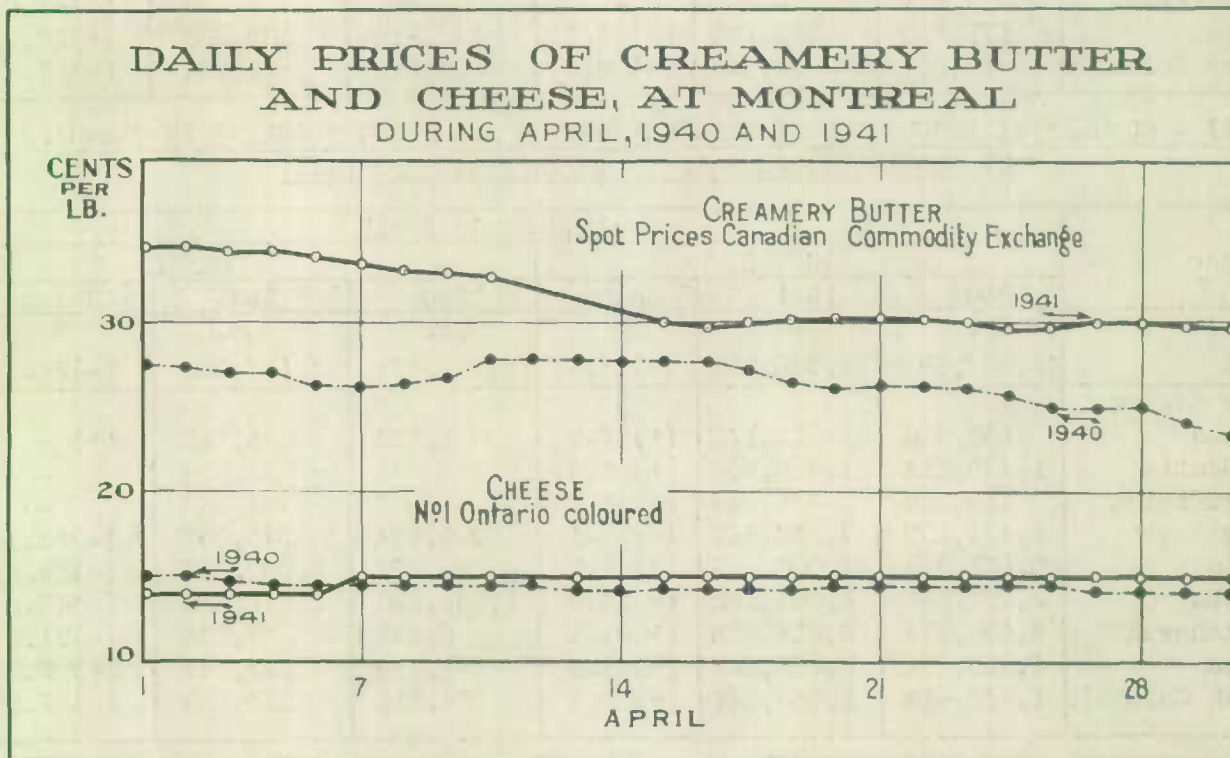
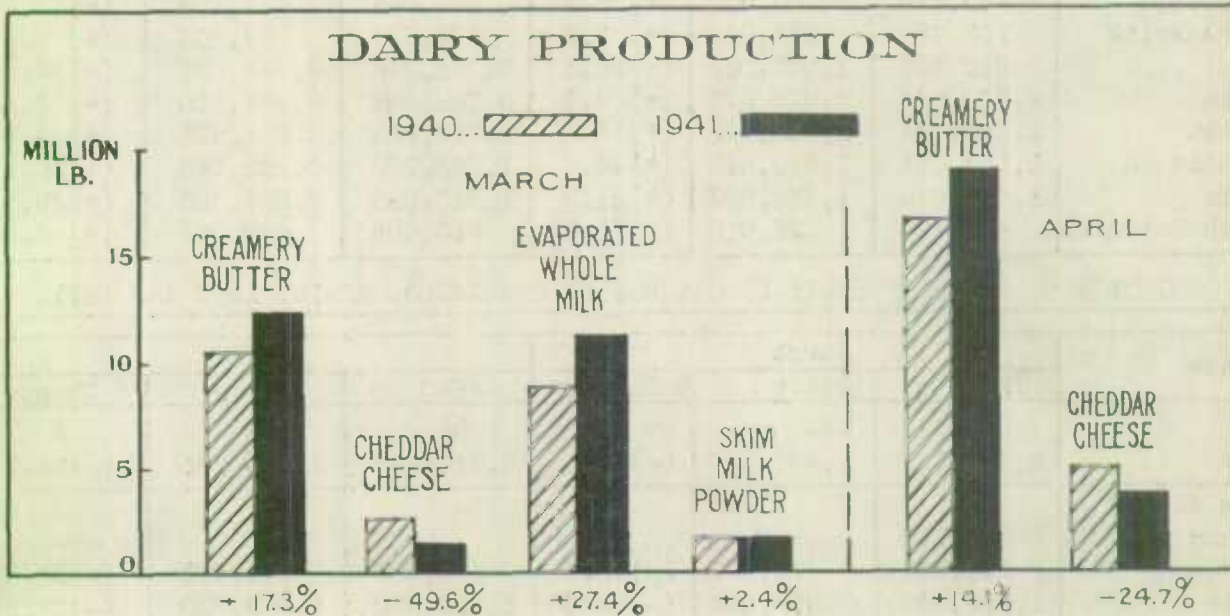
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I - PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, APRIL, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	March			April		
	1940	1941 x	% Change	1940	1941 /	% Change
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	10,526,374	12,350,703	(+)17.3	16,632,203	19,072,969	(+)14.1
Prince Edward Island	61,117	73,450	(+)23.4	69,215	83,661	(+)20.9
Nova Scotia	340,249	353,942	(+) 5.5	376,065	418,108	(+)11.2
New Brunswick	103,436	111,363	(+) 3.2	174,574	137,903	(+) 7.6
Quebec	840,305	1,063,033	(+)26.5	3,741,046	4,295,325	(+)14.8
Ontario	4,330,945	5,029,627	(+) 4.1	6,763,099	6,994,510	(+) 3.3
Manitoba	1,321,701	1,725,629	(+)30.6	1,650,233	2,053,367	(+)24.5
Saskatchewan	1,159,341	1,678,542	(+)44.7	1,543,967	2,102,146	(+)36.2
Alberta	1,466,679	1,773,607	(+)21.3	1,743,099	2,257,023	(+)29.5
British Columbia	402,101	526,010	(+)30.8	615,905	640,021	(+) 3.9

II - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, APRIL, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	March			April		
	1940	1941 x	% Change	1940	1941 /	% Change
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	2,793,160	1,407,306	(-)49.6	4,937,478	3,720,386	(-)24.7
Prince Edward Island	750	-	-	980	-	-
Quebec	161,741	70,077	(-)56.7	385,383	274,770	(-)23.9
Ontario	1,966,906	893,264	(-)54.6	3,834,460	2,919,300	(-)23.9
Manitoba	432,468	224,435	(-)48.1	454,271	262,724	(-)42.2
Saskatchewan	2,411	-	-	3,257	1,135	(-)63.6
Alberta	171,320	162,202	(-) 5.3	162,910	133,906	(+)16.0
British Columbia	57,564	57,328	(+) 0.5	95,712	73,501	(-)23.2

III - CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER AND FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, JANUARY TO APRIL, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	JANUARY TO APRIL					
	BUTTER			CHEESE		
	1940	1941	% Change	1940	1941	% Change
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	46,307,591	53,070,009	(+)13.4	11,367,671	7,197,095	(-)36.7
Prince Edward Island	253,368	312,172	(+)23.0	1,730	5,195	(+) -
Nova Scotia	1,440,212	1,496,496	(+) 3.9	-	-	-
New Brunswick	459,928	474,043	(+) 3.1	-	-	-
Quebec	6,451,270	7,556,667	(+)17.1	929,684	575,087	(-)33.1
Ontario	20,651,073	21,006,249	(+) 1.7	3,229,952	5,002,753	(-)39.2
Manitoba	5,237,510	6,541,292	(+)24.9	1,339,996	752,031	(-)45.9
Saskatchewan	4,696,316	6,624,588	(+)41.1	6,458	1,135	(-)91.7
Alberta	5,830,794	7,105,653	(+)21.9	571,739	627,245	(+) 9.7
British Columbia	1,786,615	1,952,844	(+) 9.3	238,112	233,599	(-) 1.9

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SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DAIRY PRODUCTION IN CANADA
(April, 1941)

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in April increased approximately 14 per cent as compared with the April make of 1940 and increased 54 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of April 19.0 million pounds of butter were produced and during the four months ending April, the output reached a total of 53.1 million pounds. The increase in the April make occurred in all provinces.

CHEESE PRODUCTION decreased approximately 25 per cent in April as compared with April, 1940, and increased 2.3 million pounds as compared with the output for the preceding month. The April make was approximately 3.7 million pounds and the total for the four months, January to April, amounted to 7.2 million pounds. There was no cheese produced in the Maritime Provinces in April; of the remaining provinces, all contributed to the decrease except Alberta.

EVAPORATED WHOLE MILK increased approximately 27 per cent as compared with the same month last year and there was also an increase of 25 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During the month of March 11.2 million pounds of evaporated whole milk were produced, and during the three months ending March the output reached a total of 23.6 million pounds. SKIM MILK POWDER. During the month of March 1.3 million pounds of skim milk powder were produced, while during the three months ending March the output reached a total of 4.5 million pounds. There was an increase of approximately 2 per cent as compared with the same month last year, and an increase of 42 per cent as compared with the preceding month.

CREAMERY BUTTER PRICES at Montreal, as quoted daily by the Canadian Commodity Exchange for the first grade product, averaged $21\frac{1}{2}$ cents a pound, compared with $26\frac{1}{2}$ cents in April, 1940. Ontario coloured cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations averaged $14\frac{3}{4}$ cents in April compared with $14\frac{1}{2}$ cents in April, 1940.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of April represented the equivalent of 487.2 million pounds of milk, registering an increase of approximately 41.4 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 91.4 per cent and cheese represented 8.6 per cent of the total.

Exports of Butter in April amounted to 60,600 pounds as compared with 93,700 pounds last month and 87,700 pounds in April, 1940.

Exports of Cheese in April reached a total of 991,300 pounds as against 494,200 pounds last month and 2,293,400 pounds in April a year ago.

The domestic disappearance of butter in the month of March amounted to 19.7 million pounds, representing an increase of 0.3 per cent as compared with the same month last year and an increase of 3.3 per cent in comparison with the preceding month. This estimate is based on storage and transit stocks amounting to 11.0 million pounds at April 1, 1941, and exports and imports amounting to 93,700 pounds and 164,653 pounds respectively.



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DAIRY PRODUCTION CONDITIONSWeather:

In Eastern Canada weather conditions during April were unusually dry and warm with the sunshine well above normal. Ottawa had the second driest April on record with a total precipitation of 0.77 inches as compared with a normal of 2.35 inches, while at Harrow, Ontario, there were 222.5 hours of sunshine as compared with the long time average of 160.3 hours. In the Western Provinces, warm weather prevailed with precipitation slightly below normal. At Morden, Manitoba, while there were only 121.8 hours of sunshine as compared with a normal of 206.5 hours, conditions were considered favourable.

Feed Prices:

Bran registered an increase of \$1.00 per ton at the end of April at Winnipeg while at Montreal there was a reduction in price of \$2.00 per ton. Oats declined approximately 2 cents per bushel at Winnipeg and Montreal and the price of barley declined $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per bushel at Winnipeg and 5 cents at Montreal. The price of Linseed Oil Cake, 73 per cent, at Toronto, was \$35.50 per ton as compared with \$35.00 on the same date last year and Cotton Seed Meal, 41 per cent, was quoted at \$44.00 per ton as compared with \$47.50 at the end of April, 1940.

Milk Cows:

The numbers of milk cows on the farms of Dairy Correspondents in March showed a slight decrease from last year and the percentage milking also declined from 66.1 per cent in 1940 to 65.7 in 1941.

Milk Production:

The reports from Dairy Correspondents indicated that milk production in March was lower than last year. The production of milk per cow was 13.4 pounds per day; and including those both dry and in milk the average was 12.6 pounds. These figures reveal a slight decline from the corresponding month of the previous year.