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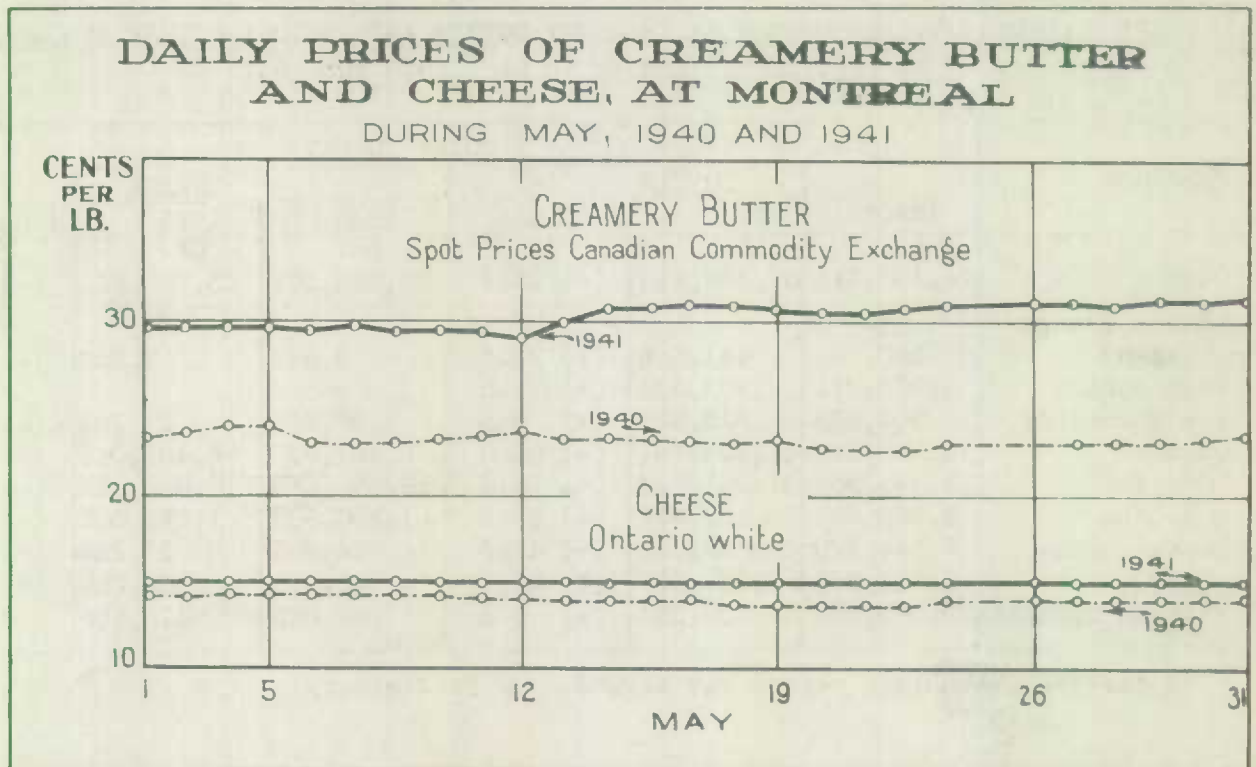
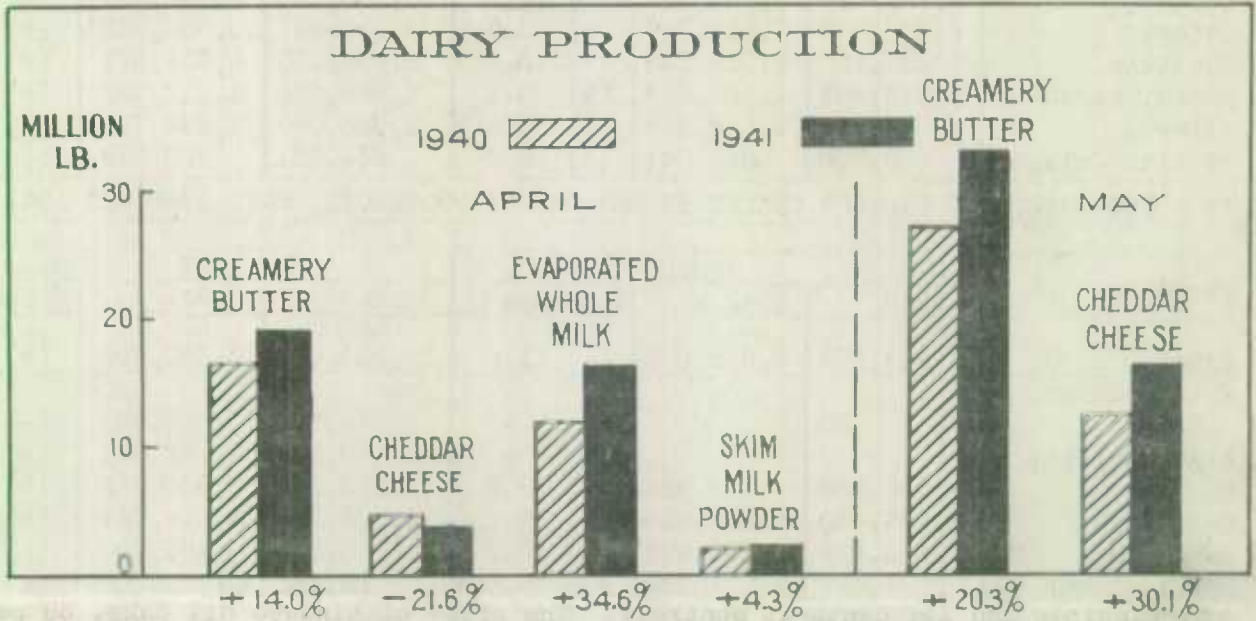
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1 - PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, MAY, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	APRIL			MAY		
	1940 Lb.	1941 x Lb.	% Change %	1940 Lb.	1941 / Lb.	% Change %
CANADA	16,682,208	19,011,086	(+) 14.0	27,300,325	32,848,693	(+) 20.3
Prince Edward Island	69,215	83,712	(+) 20.9	106,616	129,435	(+) 21.4
Nova Scotia	376,065	416,498	(+) 10.8	532,862	606,556	(+) 13.8
New Brunswick	174,574	187,200	(+) 7.2	343,105	400,481	(+) 16.7
Quebec	3,741,046	4,284,602	(+) 14.5	8,050,873	9,280,307	(+) 15.3
Ontario	6,768,099	7,014,247	(+) 3.6	9,094,857	10,035,762	(+) 10.3
Manitoba	1,650,238	2,029,149	(+) 23.0	2,603,118	3,634,973	(+) 39.6
Saskatchewan	1,543,967	2,101,259	(+) 36.1	2,848,604	4,112,950	(+) 44.4
Alberta	1,743,099	2,258,375	(+) 29.6	2,886,069	3,888,710	(+) 34.7
British Columbia	615,905	636,044	(+) 3.3	834,221	759,519	(-) 9.0

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

Province	APRIL			MAY		
	1940 Lb.	1941 x Lb.	% Change %	1940 Lb.	1941 / Lb.	% Change %
CANADA	4,937,478	3,869,025	(-) 21.6	12,594,630	16,386,092	(+) 30.1
Prince Edward Island	980	-	-	6,761	2,027	(-) 70.0
New Brunswick	-	-	-	40,862	27,231	(-) 33.4
Quebec	385,888	241,984	(-) 37.3	1,568,146	2,950,742	(+) 88.2
Ontario	3,834,460	3,097,416	(-) 19.2	10,105,704	12,518,744	(+) 23.9
Manitoba	454,271	269,938	(-) 40.6	506,511	469,557	(-) 7.3
Saskatchewan	3,257	1,185	(-) 63.6	28,495	30,000	(+) 5.3
Alberta	162,910	185,001	(+) 13.6	226,640	308,725	(+) 36.2
British Columbia	95,712	73,501	(-) 23.2	111,511	79,066	(-) 29.1

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

Province	JANUARY TO MAY					
	BUTTER			CHEESE		
	1940 Lb.	1941 Lb.	% Change %	1940 Lb.	1941 Lb.	% Change %
CANADA	74,107,916	85,896,819	(+) 15.9	23,962,301	23,731,826	(-) 1.0
Prince Edward Island	360,484	441,658	(+) 22.5	8,491	7,222	(-) 14.9
Nova Scotia	1,973,074	2,101,442	(+) 6.5	-	-	-
New Brunswick	803,033	873,926	(+) 8.8	40,862	27,231	(-) 33.4
Quebec	14,502,143	16,825,751	(+) 16.0	2,497,830	3,493,043	(+) 39.8
Ontario	29,745,935	31,061,748	(+) 4.4	18,335,656	17,699,613	(-) 3.5
Manitoba	7,840,628	10,151,547	(+) 29.5	1,896,507	1,228,802	(-) 35.2
Saskatchewan	7,544,920	10,736,651	(+) 42.3	34,953	31,185	(-) 10.8
Alberta	8,716,863	10,995,710	(+) 26.1	798,379	932,065	(+) 16.7
British Columbia	2,620,836	2,703,386	(+) 3.3	349,623	312,665	(-) 10.6

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

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in May increased approximately 20 per cent as compared with the May make of 1940 and increased 73 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of May 32.8 million pounds of butter were produced and during the five months ending May, the output reached a total of 85.9 million pounds. The increase in the May make occurred in all provinces except British Columbia.

CHEESE PRODUCTION increased approximately 30 per cent in May as compared with May, 1940, and increased 12.5 million pounds as compared with the output for the preceding month. The May make was approximately 16.4 million pounds and the total for the five months, January to May, amounted to 23.7 million pounds. The increase in the May make occurred in all provinces except Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Manitoba and British Columbia.

EVAPORATED WHOLE MILK increased approximately 35 per cent as compared with the same month last year and there was also an increase of 45 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During the month of April 16.2 million pounds of evaporated whole milk were produced, and during the four months ending April the output reached a total of 44.8 million pounds. SKIM MILK POWDER. During the month of April 2.4 million pounds of skim milk powder were produced, while during the four months ending April the output reached a total of 7.0 million pounds. There was an increase of approximately 4 per cent as compared with the same month last year, and an increase of 37 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 30  $\frac{3}{8}$  cents a pound, compared with 23  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents in May, 1940. Ontario white cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations averaged 15 cents in May compared with 14 cents in May, 1940.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of May represented the equivalent of 952.5 million pounds of milk, registering an increase of approximately 172.4 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 80.7 per cent and cheese represented 19.3 per cent of the total.

The domestic disappearance of butter in the month of April amounted to 20.3 million pounds, representing an increase of 0.4 per cent as compared with the same month last year and an increase of 3.1 per cent in comparison with the preceding month. This estimate is based on storage and transit stocks amounting to 9.9 million pounds at May 1, 1941, and exports and imports amounting to 60,600 pounds and 179,442 pounds respectively.



## DAIRY PRODUCTION CONDITIONS

### Weather:

In the Maritimes precipitation was considerably above normal but there was less sunshine at Charlottetown, the precipitation amounted to 5.82 inches as compared with a normal of 2.58 inches and at Kentville, N. S. there were 5.83 inches of rainfall as compared with a normal of 2.43 inches. The rains which came at the end of May ended the driest spring season for Ottawa on record. From March 12, to May 20, only 1.31 inches of rain fell, in comparison with a normal of 5.95 inches for the same period. Western Canada had less sunshine than usual with temperatures above normal. At Morden, Manitoba, there was 3.26 inches of rain as compared with a normal of 2.10 inches, while at Swift Current, Saskatchewan, the precipitation only amounted to .89 inches against a normal of 1.55 inches. The rainfall at Lacombe, Alberta, was about normal.

### Feed Prices:

The price of Bran declined \$3.00 per ton at Winnipeg and \$1.50 at Montreal. Oats increased approximately  $3\frac{1}{4}$  cents per bushel at Winnipeg and  $3\frac{3}{4}$  cents at Montreal and Barley revealed an increase of  $11\frac{1}{4}$  cents per bushel at Winnipeg and  $13\frac{3}{4}$  cents at Montreal. The price of Linseed Oil Cake, 38 per cent, was \$35.00 per ton at Toronto as compared with \$33.75 on the same date last year while Cotton Seed Meal, 41 per cent, was quoted at \$44.00 per ton as compared with \$45.00 at the end of May, 1940.

### Milk Cows:

The numbers of milk cows on the farms of Dairy Correspondents in April showed a slight decrease from last year and the percentage milking also declined from 72.6 per cent in 1940 to 71.7 in 1941.

### Milk Production:

The reports from Dairy Correspondents indicated that milk production in April was lower than last year. The production of milk per cow was 21.6 pounds per day; and including those both dry and in milk the average was 15.4 pounds. These figures reveal a slight increase from the corresponding month of the previous year.