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## NCMTHIY STATISTICS OF THE FIUID l:IIK TRADE

Fluid sales in the whole of Canada amounted to $347,746,000$ pounds during the month of January, a reduction of $10,500,000$ pounds from the same month of last year, or nearly 3 per cent less. Approximately 84 per cent was sold as milk and 16 per cent was sold as cream.

Fluid milk sales in Januery amounted to $290,611,000$ pounds. Crearn sales, expressed as milk, reached a total of $57,135,000$ pounds. Compared with the same month of 1947, milk sales declined more than 5 per cent while cream sales increased 10 per cent.

In the forty cities of Canada covered by this report, sales of milk during Janu:ry amounted to approximately $145,166,000$ pounds $(56,266,000$ quarts). This represents a decline of ncarly 6 per cent from the January, 1947 sales.

Sales of fluid cream reported from the forty cities of Canada totalled 31,692,000 pounds in terms of milk (3,033,000 quarts of cream). Compared with January, $194{ }^{\prime \prime}$ a decline of Elmost ? per cent was recorded in quart sales, but an advance of approximetely 9 per cent on a milk basis due to the increase in butterfat content.

The figures given above reveal a tendency toward stabilizetion in fluid sales; those of 1948 were slightly below the 1947 level and considerably less than the sales of Januery, 1946. In comparison with 1939, the sales for the whole of 1947 had increased by approximately 1,151 million pounds und were the highest on record. Those of Januiry, 1948 indicate a decline of epproximately 12 million pounds or 3 per cent as compared with the same month of 1946 . When allowance is made for the changes in the actual resident population in Canada, the differences in per capita consumption are less signilicant. The daily consumption ol milk and crean, expressed on a milk basis, averaged 0.88 pints in Januery, 1946 and 0.84 pints in Januery, 1948. The per capita consumption or milk alone was 0.75 pints and 0.70 tints, resuoctively and that of cream increased from .13 pints in January, 1946 to 14 rints in January, 1949.

There is onc impurtant observetion that migat be emphasized in studying the anclusis given above: nemely, that the quart sales of cream are uctually less than those of a year ago, while the sales of this product in terms of butter-fat or whole milk are well above those of January, 1947. It should be remerabered that this is due to the removal of restrictions which did not go into effect until ippril 1, 1947. For the reasons indicated, therefore, this relationship would be expected to continue during the next few months after which sales should level out in closer conformity with those of the previous year.

Table 1 - SALES CF FLUID MILK IN FORTY MARKETS OF CANADA, JANUARY. 1948
With Percentage Changes from the Previous Month and from the Same Month of 1947 and 1939

| Market | TOTAL SALES |  | PERCENTAGE CHANGE FRCM |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | January. 1948 |  | December | January |  |
|  | Quarts | Pounds (1) | 1947 | 1947 | 1939 |
| MARITIME PROVINCES |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 000 | 000 | \% | \% | \% |
| Charlottetown |  |  |  | - 0.8 |  |
| Halifax ... | 1.178 | 3.039 | +9.0 +1.6 | $-\quad 0.8$ -14.8 | +104.9 |
| Sydney Area ................. | - 634 | 3,039 1,635 | +1.6 -6.0 | - 14.8 | $+\quad 99.7$ $+\quad 1$ |
| Saint John ................... | 826 | 1.635 2.131 | -6.0 | - 17.3 | + 242.4 |
| Moncton . ........ | 414 | 1,069 | +0.2 +5.0 | - 10.2 | + 102.7 |

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| Montreal ................... 12.238 - 121.574 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quebec. | 12,238 2,208 | 31,574 5,698 | -2.4 | - 3.9 | + 60.9 |
| Sherbrooke | 2,208 511 | 5,698 | - 4.3 | - 1.8 | + 91.0 |
| Three Rivers | 549 | 1.319 | - 0.9 | - 14.6 | (2) |
| Chicoutimi. | 549 343 | 1.415 | - 5.2 | - 1.1 | (2) |
| Noranda-Rouyn | 343 | 885 | $+0.4$ | + 8.2 | (2) |
| Levis-Lauz on | 332 | 856 | - 2.2 | - 2.7 | (2) |
| St. Hyacinthe | 245 | 633 | -6.2 | - 7.8 | (2) |
| Valleyfield. | 191 | 826 | - 4.7 | + 16.2 | (2) |
| St. Jerome | 191 | 492 | +4.3 | + 4.2 | (2) |
| Thetford. | 194 | 501 | + 4.5 | + 27.2 | (2) |
| Rimouski .................... | 115 | 298 | - 2.0 | - 4.0 | (2) |
| Ren | 108 | 278 | -6.7 | - 4.6 | (2) |


|  | ONTARIO |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Toronto ... | 10,788 | 27,834 | + 1.8 | - 7.7 | + 41.7 |
| Ottawa-Hull | 2,737 | 7,061 | +0.2 | - 5.9 | $+\quad 41.7$ $+\quad 78.5$ |
| Hamilton | 2,355 | 6,075 | -2.3 | - 3.4 | + 59.5 $+\quad 50.5$ |
| London | 1.578 | 4.072 | - 4.6 | - 3.7 | + 60.1 |
| Ft. William and Pt. Arthur | 1.188 | 3,065 | -6.6 | - 2.6 | + 81.4 |
| Kitchener .................. | 748 | 1,930 | +0.1 | - 4.2 | + 159.8 |
| Kingston | 577 | 1,489 | -11.8 | - 4.0 | + 57.7 |
| Sudbury | 512 | 1,322 | - 3.4 | - 7.7 | + 71.7 |
| Brantford | 503 | 1,317 | - 1.1 | - 5.3 | + 73.1 |
| Cornwall | 294 | $\begin{array}{r}1.298 \\ \hline 758\end{array}$ | +4.1 | - 3.2 | + 71.8 |
| Belleville | 255 | 758 658 | +4.7 +6.1 | - 8.6 | $+\quad 57.3$ |


| Winnipeg ........................ PRAIRIE PROVINCES |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Saskatoon-Pr. Albert-Battle ford | 926 |  |  | . 8 | +36.4 |
| Moose Jaw | 926 | 2.388 | $+1.5$ | - 2.6 | + 99.4 |
| Regina. | 688 | . 662 | -2.3 | - 3.3 | + 96.1 |
| Edmonton | + 688 | 1.776 | - 0.8 | - 3.6 | + 70.1 |
| Calgary | 1,326 | 3.420 | - 7.1 | - 7.8 | + 77.2 |
| Medicine Hat | 1.060 135 | 2,734 349 | - 9.3 | - 9.6 | + 50.2 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Victoria .................. |  |  |  |  | (2) |
|  | 940 | 2,425 | - 1.2 | - 10.7 | (2) |

(1) Converted to pounds by multiplying quart sales shown in the adjoining column by 2.58 .
(2) Comparable data for previous period not available.

Table II - SALES OF FLUID CREAM IN FORTY MARKETS OF CANADA, JANUARY, 1948
With Percentage Changes from the Previous Month and from the Same Month of 1947 and 1939

| Market | TOTAL SALES |  | PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | January, 1948 |  | December | January |  |
|  | Cream | Butter-fat(1) | 1947 | 1947 | 1939 |
| MARITIME PROVINCES |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $000 \mathrm{qt}$. | 000 lb . | \% | \% | \% |
| Char lottetown .............. | 5 | 3 | + 28.3 | + 51.7 | - 1.5 |
| Halifax . .................. | 55 | 20 | + 46.3 | - 19.9 | + 146.4 |
| Sydney Area ................ | 5 | 3 | - 10.5 | + 108.1 | - 15.4 |
| Saint John ................. | 15 | 11 | - 0.4 | - 8.2 | $+\quad 29.8$ |
| Moncton ................. | 7 | 5 | $-4.4$ | - 22.2 | +151.8 |

QUEBEC

| Montreal .................... | 598 | 269 | - 8.8 | - 9.4 | + 39.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quebec | 58 | 23 | - 13.4 | - 4.5 | + 108.7 |
| Sherbrooke ................. | 14 | 7 | - 20.8 | $+\quad 37.7$ | (2) |
| Three Rivers ............... | 12 | 6 | - 14.1 | + 17.8 | (2) |
| Chicoutimi | 3 | 3 | - 11.2 | + 140.0 | (2) |
| Noranda-Rouyn | 3 | 2 | - 3.2 | + 82.3 | (2) |
| Levis-Lquz on (3) | - | - | - | - | - |
| St-Hyacinthe (3) | - | - | - | - |  |
| Valleyfield (3) | - | - | - | - |  |
| St. Jerome (3) ........... | - | - | - | - |  |
| Thetford (3) | - | - | - | - |  |
| Rimouski (3) | - | - | - | - | - |

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| Toronto ................... | 525 | 205 | - 5.5 | - 1.2 | $+36.6$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ottawa-Hull ............... | 88 | 41 | - 4.3 | 2.2 | + 41.2 |
| Hamilton | 63 | 27 | - 6.4 | 2.6 | + 29.6 |
| Windsor | 67 | 22 | - 10.1 | - 5.6 | + 114.8 |
| London .................... | 32 | 16 | - 5.8 | + 11.8 | + 52.9 |
| Ft. William and Pt. Arthur. | 21 | 10 | - 7.0 | - 14.8 | + 84.7 |
| Kitchener | 15 | 8 | - 3.2 | + 11.2 | + 26.3 |
| Kingston ................... | 10 | 5 | + 4.1 | + 21.4 | +27.3 |
| Sudbury | 10 | 5 | - 9.8 | 1.9 | + 30.2 |
| Brantford | 13 | 6 | - 3.6 | + 36.4 | + 76.4 |
| Cormwall | 4 | 2 | + 8.2 | + 15.2 |  |
| Belleville | 4 | 2 | 1.6 | - 20.8 | + 87.1 |

PRAIRIE FROVINCES

| Winnipeg .................. | 356 | 108 | - 4.1 | - | 10.0 | + | 40.6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Saskatoon-Pr .Albert-Battlefords | 75 | 23 | - 1.8 | - | 6.8 | + | 27.7 |
| Moose Jaw ................. | 24 | 7 | - 4.8 | - | 21.6 | - | 12.6 |
| Regina ..................... | 77 | 23 | - 5.2 | - | 1.0 | + | 27.0 |
| Edmonton | 127 | 35 | - 15.8 | - | 10.8 | + | 53.5 |
| Calgary | 108 | 30 | - 18.2 | - | 19.9 | + | 51.0 |
| Madicine Hat | 9 | 3 | - 9.1 | + | 7.1 |  | (4) |
| BRITISH COLUNBIA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 550 70 | 155 20 | $+\quad 2.7$ $-\quad 0.7$ | + | $\begin{array}{r} 4.8 \\ 2.5 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\binom{4}{4}$ |

(1) Quarts $\times 2.5$ pounds cream; converted to paunds butter-fat on basis of average test in each market. (2) Percentages calculated on basis of quart sales. (3) Lass than three distributors. (4) Data not available.

## TABLE III - RELATIONSHIP OF MILK AND CREAM SALES IN SELECTED HARKETS, TO TOTAL SALES IN EACH UF FIVE ECONOMIC AREAS OF CANADA

January, 1948

| Economic Aren and Period | MILK SALES |  |  | CREEM ShLES (MILK EQUIUALFNT) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Economic Area | Selected Markets |  | Economic Area | Selected Markets |  |
|  | Total <br> Estimated <br> Sales | Number of Markets | Sales in Per Cent of Sales in Economic Area | Total <br> Estinated <br> Sales | Number of Markets | Seles In Per Cent of Sales Economic Area. |
|  | 1000 lb . | No. | $\%$ | : 000 lb . | No. | $\%$ |
| CANADA Januery | 290,611 | 40 | 49.9 | 57,185 | 40 | 55.5 |
| Maritime Provinces January | 17,583 | 5 | 43.1 | 1,789 | 5 | 70.5 |
| Quebec <br> January | 92,464 | 32 | 49.4 | 16,08 | 1. | 55.8 |
| $\frac{\text { Ontario }}{\text { January }}$ | 117,58' | 12 | 48.4 | 17.219 | 18 | 55.7 |
| Prairie Provinces January | 40,571 | 9 | 43.5 | 13,145 | 9 | 43.6 |
| British Coluabia Januery | 22,004 | 5 | 66.6 | 8,253 | \% | 80.6 |

