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MONTHLY POULTRY ESTIMATES

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This is the first monthly report on poultry estimates. The basic data were obtained from reports received from poultry correspondents in each province. Calculations have been made from those data and related to the June 1, 1947 survey figures of birds on farms to obtain preliminary estimates. When the survey figures for December 1, 1947 are released, subsequent calculations will be related to the new data, until the next survey information is available.

The preliminary estimates show a total of 29,820,000 layers on farms during the month. The average rate of lay per 100 layers was 1105 eggs, or 11.05 eggs per layer, producing a total of 27,471,000 dozen eggs. Of this quantity farmers reported a loss of 0.9 per cent from bad and broken eggs, leaving a net farm production of 27,217,000 dozens.

There are many producers of poultry who are not considered farmers for Census purposes. Their poultry was reported however, in the 1941 Census as produced, "Elsewhere than on farms". Estimates have been made for egg production for those producers on the basis of that Census. These are shown as "Net Other Production" and amount to 2,425,000 dozens.

The fresh eggs carried over on farms on December 31 with the total eggs laid in January give the total eggs available. The disposal of the available eggs is shown by provinces, in percentages as, sold for market (to grading stations, stores, and house to house), sold for hatching (to hatcheries and to other farmers), used on the farm for immediate consumption or for storing or preserving, and for hatching, as well as the loss and the carryover to February.

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EGG PRODUCTION. Preliminary Estimate

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Province	Average layers (1) on farms	Average eggs per 100 layers	Total farm laid	Loss	Net farm production	Net other (2)	Net total production
	000.	No.	000 doz.	000 doz.	000 doz.	000 doz.	000 doz.
Prince Edward Island...	507	944	399	2	397	13	410
Nova Scotia.....	789	1,151	757	3	754	149	903
New Brunswick.....	573	912	435	3	432	57	489
Quebec.....	5,011	1,070	4,468	46	4,422	517	4,939
Ontario.....	10,807	1,269	11,429	119	11,310	871	12,181
Manitoba.....	2,611	895	1,948	17	1,931	131	2,062
Saskatchewan.....	3,953	847	2,790	24	2,766	105	2,871
Alberta.....	3,523	1,065	3,126	26	3,100	161	3,261
British Columbia.....	2,046	1,243	2,119	14	2,105	421	2,526
CANADA	29,820	1,105	27,471	254	27,217	2,425	29,642

- (1) Layers of December 31 + layers of January 31 ÷ 2.
 (2) Production "Elsewhere than on Farms".

(1)
EGGS DISPOSITION PERCENTAGES. Preliminary.

During January 1948

Province	SOLD		FARM USE			FARM	Carried over to
	For market	For hatching	Consumed	Preserved	Hatching	Loss	next month
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prince Edward Island..	78.8	2.6	12.3	-	-	0.4	5.9
Nova Scotia.....	74.9	2.3	18.4	0.1	-	0.4	3.9
New Brunswick.....	73.9	2.2	20.1	-	-	0.6	3.2
Quebec.....	75.9	0.5	15.9	2.6	0.1	1.0	4.0
Ontario.....	83.2	2.7	7.9	-	-	1.0	5.2
Manitoba.....	75.7	-	16.2	0.4	-	0.8	6.9
Saskatchewan.....	69.9	0.1	19.7	0.9	-	0.8	8.6
Alberta.....	76.1	0.6	16.4	0.2	0.1	0.8	5.8
British Columbia.....	82.1	2.1	8.7	0.2	0.4	0.6	5.9

- (1) Percentages of total available, consisting of carry-over from December 31 plus laid in January.