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MONTHLY POULTRY ESTIMATES

During October 1948 an average of 27,784,000 layers on farms produced 21,187,000 dozen eggs, after allowing for loss, while layers elsewhere than on farms produced 1,968,000 dozens, a total net production of 23,155,000 dozen eggs, a reduction of 16.5 per cent from the October 1947 net "lay" of 27,714,000 dozens. There was, however, an increase of 37 eggs in the 1948 production per 100 layers.

The cumulative net production of eggs to the end of October totalled 333,052,000, dozens as compared with 348,859,000 dozens in 1947. The data from June to October included in 1948 figures are subject to revision after the data of the December 1 semi-annual Survey have been obtained.

Eggs sold for consumption during October were estimated at 18,772,600 dozens from farms and from non-farm premises. The net value to the producer was \$10,886,100. Some provinces also sold a few eggs for hatching purposes, viz: 118,500 dozens at a value of \$75,000. Producers, themselves, also consumed or stored or used for hatching a total of 4,258,100 dozens.

NET EGG PRODUCTION - Cumulative - January - October

Province	1948			1947		
	Farm	Other 1/	Total	Farm	Other 1/	Total
	- thousand dozens -			- thousand dozens -		
Pr. Edward Island .	5,238	179	5,417	5,628	191	5,819
Nova Scotia	10,832	2,145	12,977	9,343	1,850	11,193
New Brunswick	6,353	839	7,192	6,907	911	7,818
Quebec	49,661	5,810	55,471	53,290	6,234	59,524
Ontario	119,343	9,190	128,533	127,467	9,815	137,282
Manitoba	23,343	1,587	24,930	24,237	1,647	25,884
Saskatchewan	33,095	1,258	34,353	35,549	1,351	36,900
Alberta	33,447	1,740	35,187	32,783	1,705	34,488
British Columbia ..	24,161	4,831	28,992	24,960	4,991	29,951
CANADA	305,473	27,579	333,052	320,164	28,695	348,859

1/ Elsewhere than on farms.

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Price: \$1.00 a year.

EGG PRODUCTION

October 1948 - Preliminary

Province	Average Layers 1/ on Farms thousands	Eggs Per 100 Layers No.	Total Farm Laid	Loss	Net Production		
					Farm thousand dozens	Other 2/ dozens	Total
Pr. Edward Island .	425	983	348	2	346	12	358
Nova Scotia	763	1,052	669	4	665	132	797
New Brunswick	508	1,007	427	2	425	56	481
Quebec	4,584	930	3,553	31	3,522	412	3,934
Ontario	9,904	1,029	8,493	72	8,421	648	9,069
Manitoba	2,385	738	1,467	11	1,456	99	1,555
Saskatchewan	3,352	711	1,986	17	1,969	75	2,044
Alberta	3,631	772	2,336	25	2,311	120	2,431
British Columbia ..	2,232	1,121	2,085	13	2,072	414	2,486
CANADA	27,784	923	21,364	177	21,187	1,968	23,155

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Pr. Edward Island .	486	742	300	1	299	10	309
Nova Scotia	951	797	631	5	626	124	750
New Brunswick	628	934	489	2	487	64	551
Quebec	5,468	838	3,818	63	3,755	439	4,194
Ontario	14,636	1,004	12,245	76	12,169	937	13,106
Manitoba	2,502	763	1,591	12	1,579	107	1,686
Saskatchewan	3,979	634	2,102	19	2,083	79	2,162
Alberta	3,731	784	2,438	26	2,412	125	2,537
British Columbia ..	2,348	1,038	2,031	15	2,016	403	2,419
CANADA	34,729	886	25,645	219	25,426	2,288	27,714

EGGS PER LAYER. Estimates for October 1948

3/ Classified by Size of Flock of Domestic Fowl 4/

Province	1-49	50-99	100-199	200-499	500 & over	All Flocks
	birds eggs	birds eggs	birds eggs	birds eggs	birds eggs	
Pr. Edward Island .	11.33	10.39	8.30	8.85	13.49	9.83
Nova Scotia	9.46	10.51	13.19	10.03	14.75	10.52
New Brunswick	9.84	11.60	9.41	7.22	8.65	10.07
Quebec	7.28	8.37	9.89	12.48	11.97	9.30
Ontario	7.31	8.74	8.31	11.13	14.64	10.29
Manitoba	6.38	5.94	7.16	8.28	9.99	7.38
Saskatchewan	5.71	6.93	6.45	8.35	9.54	7.11
Alberta	5.86	5.62	7.86	9.22	10.44	7.72
British Columbia ..	7.49	8.24	9.73	7.77	13.42	11.21

1/ Layers of September 30 plus layers of October 31 divided by 2.

2/ Elsewhere than on farms.

3/ Farms are classified by size of flock at June 1 each year.

4/ Hens, cocks and chickens.

EGG DISPOSITION - OCTOBER 1948

Province	SOLD - For Market				SOLD - For Hatching			
	Farm	Other ^{1/}	Total	Value	Farm	Other ^{1/}	Total	Value
	- thousand dozens -			\$	- thousand dozens -			\$
P.E. I.	291.5	9.9	301.4	168,800	-	-	-	-
N. S.	503.1	99.6	602.7	379,700	1.4	.3	1.7	1,400
N. B.	291.8	38.5	330.3	197,500	-	-	-	-
Que.	2,777.2	324.9	3,102.1	2,010,200	-	-	-	-
Ont.	7,353.4	566.2	7,919.6	4,838,900	71.8	5.5	77.3	51,600
Man.	1,059.4	72.0	1,131.4	611,000	-	-	-	-
Sask.	1,360.9	51.7	1,412.6	716,200	-	-	-	-
Alta.	1,688.7	87.8	1,776.5	843,800	-	-	-	-
B. C.	1,830.0	366.0	2,196.0	1,120,000	32.9	6.6	39.5	22,000
CANADA	17,156.0	1,616.6	18,772.6	10,886,100	106.1	12.4	118.5	75,000

EGG DISPOSITION - OCTOBER 1948

	USED BY PRODUCERS ^{2/}		
	Farm	Other ^{1/}	Total
	- - - thousand dozens - - -		
Prince Edward Island	60.9	2.1	63.0
Nova Scotia	168.6	33.4	202.0
New Brunswick	138.6	18.3	156.9
Quebec	807.8	94.5	902.3
Ontario	951.7	73.3	1,025.0
Manitoba	408.3	27.8	436.1
Saskatchewan	618.8	23.5	642.3
Alberta	572.1	29.7	601.8
British Columbia	190.6	38.1	228.7
CANADA	3,917.4	340.7	4,258.1

^{1/} Elsewhere than on farms.

^{2/} Including eggs used for hatching.

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