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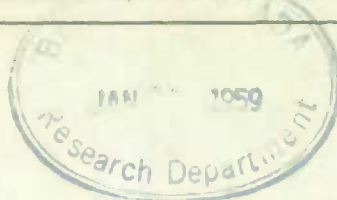
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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

December, 1958

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More eggs were produced in Canada in December than in November. This was due to a seasonal increase in the number of eggs being produced per layer and also to a larger laying flock. As in November pullets entering laying flocks were in excess of the culling of older hens. December production amounted to 42,218,000 dozen. This is 5.5 per cent higher than the November production and 0.6 per cent higher than the number produced in December last year. Average egg production per layer during December was 15.7 eggs as compared with 14.8 last month, and 16.1 in December 1957.

The preliminary estimate of total egg production during 1958 is 452.9 million dozen compared with 446.5 in 1957.

Producers sold 37.2 million dozen eggs for market during December compared with the November estimate of 35.4 million dozen. Estimated consumption of eggs by producers during December was 4.2 million dozen.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing to frozen egg during December 1958 in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture was 384,439.

1/ Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCES, DECEMBER, 1958

Province	Average ^{1/} No. of Layers	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	356	1,150	340
Nova Scotia	1,214	1,570	1,580
New Brunswick	662	1,313	720
Quebec	4,732	1,573	6,158
Ontario	12,884	1,687	18,024
Manitoba	3,578	1,521	4,505
Saskatchewan	3,524	1,412	4,115
Alberta	3,400	1,444	4,057
British Columbia	2,119	1,550	2,719
CANADA	32,469	1,570	42,218

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCES, DECEMBER, 1957

Province	Average ^{1/} No. of Layers	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	390	1,121	364
Nova Scotia	1,128	1,746	1,635
New Brunswick	547	1,381	627
Quebec	4,242	1,495	5,250
Ontario	12,488	1,722	17,797
Manitoba	2,742	1,723	3,909
Saskatchewan	3,450	1,503	4,289
Alberta	4,122	1,460	4,974
British Columbia	2,468	1,533	3,132
CANADA	31,577	1,606	41,977

^{1/} The average of the estimated number of layers at the beginning and end of the month.

EGG DISPOSITION DECEMBER, 1956 and 1957

PROV.	SOLD FOR MARKET				USED FOR FOOD BY PRODUCERS			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
	'000 doz.		\$'000		'000 doz.		\$'000	
P.E.I.	288	305	103	108	49	57	17	20
N.S.	1,445	1,483	630	614	104	120	44	48
N.B.	597	507	295	249	115	114	56	55
Que.	5,241	4,465	2,185	1,804	775	644	315	254
Ont.	16,497	16,260	5,955	5,935	1,046	1,016	367	361
Man.	4,089	3,510	1,084	1,021	385	367	98	103
Sask.	3,300	3,476	911	998	815	811	217	225
Alta.	3,333	4,260	997	1,154	694	686	201	179
B.C.	2,459	2,841	979	994	189	201	73	68
CANADA	37,249	37,107	13,139	12,877	4,172	4,016	1,388	1,313

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS

JANUARY TO THE END OF DECEMBER, 1956 and 1957

PROV.	PRODUCTION		DISPOSITION			
	Net Production		Sold for Market		Used for Food by Producers	
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
	'000 doz.		'000 doz.		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	5,487	5,643	4,571	4,769	773	778
N.S.	19,057	18,956	17,200	17,076	1,555	1,562
N.B.	8,129	7,871	6,468	6,260	1,500	1,472
Que.	60,664	63,850	49,562	53,596	9,192	8,885
Ont.	191,408	185,685	172,073	168,027	12,078	11,801
Man.	42,528	36,359	36,968	31,254	4,423	4,150
Sask.	43,903	42,617	33,384	32,100	9,801	9,755
Alta.	47,549	49,863	37,779	40,223	8,475	8,274
B.C.	34,141	35,632	30,376	32,057	2,699	2,496
CANADA	452,866	446,476	388,381	385,362	50,496	49,173

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