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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

October, 1959

The estimated production of eggs in Canada ^{1/} during October was 36,232,000 dozen as compared with 36,976,000 dozen for the same month last year. This decrease in production, which amounted to 2 per cent, occurred despite a slightly higher rate of lay because the number of layers was 2.5 per cent less than in October 1958. Although fewer eggs were produced than in October 1958 the production from January to the end of October exceeded production for the ten month period last year by 3.5 per cent.

With the usual seasonal increase in the number of pullets commencing to lay in October the number of layers increased by 4.3 per cent between September and October. The rate of lay which reached a seasonal low point in September of 1,377 eggs per hundred layers increased to 1,413. The rate of lay in October 1958 was 1,404.

Producers sold 31.7 million dozen eggs for market during October compared with 32.3 million dozen in October 1958 and 29.0 million dozen in September 1959. The value of eggs sold for market declined from \$12,246,000 in October 1958 to \$11,256,000 in October 1959. The estimate of eggs sold was 1.8 per cent lower than in October 1958, while the decrease in value amounted to 8.1 per cent, which reflects a lower average price to producer than in 1958.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing to frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during October 1959 was 1,522,582 pounds as compared with 10,512,783 pounds in October 1958.

^{1/} Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, OCTOBER, 1959

	Average No. of Layers ^{1/}	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	311	979	253
Nova Scotia	1,556	1,482	1,912
New Brunswick	632	1,139	598
Quebec	4,488	1,395	5,181
Ontario	12,396	1,504	15,402
Manitoba	2,868	1,292	3,066
Saskatchewan	2,973	1,204	2,963
Alberta	3,330	1,327	3,653
British Columbia	2,444	1,584	3,204
CANADA	30,998	1,413	36,232

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, OCTOBER, 1958

	Average No. of Layers ^{1/}	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	356	1,096	324
Nova Scotia	1,448	1,440	1,733
New Brunswick	528	1,199	525
Quebec	4,226	1,418	4,962
Ontario	12,720	1,500	15,822
Manitoba	3,109	1,333	3,430
Saskatchewan	3,512	1,210	3,511
Alberta	3,532	1,285	3,749
British Columbia	2,378	1,485	2,920
CANADA	31,809	1,404	36,976

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

EGG DISPOSITION OCTOBER, 1958 and 1959

	SOLD FOR MARKET				USED FOR FOOD BY PRODUCERS			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
	'000 doz.		\$'000		'000 doz.		\$'000	
P.E.I.	261	197	95	62	58	52	21	16
N.S.	1,593	1,762	707	694	114	130	49	50
N.B.	426	497	219	245	97	100	49	48
Que.	4,176	4,406	1,817	1,767	644	619	274	242
Ont.	14,347	14,007	5,753	5,463	970	916	379	348
Man.	3,040	2,699	772	691	361	339	88	83
Sask.	2,736	2,232	750	576	775	728	205	181
Alta.	3,066	2,992	1,000	945	646	625	204	191
B.C.	2,642	2,923	1,133	813	193	207	81	55
CANADA	32,287	31,715	12,246	11,256	3,858	3,716	1,350	1,214

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS

JANUARY TO THE END OF OCTOBER, 1958 and 1959

	PRODUCTION		DISPOSITION			
	Net Production		Sold for Market		Used for Food by Producers	
	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959
	'000 doz.		'000 doz.		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	4,922	4,734	4,111	3,909	679	693
N.S.	16,020	18,872	14,397	17,108	1,351	1,442
N.B.	6,582	7,298	5,169	5,779	1,287	1,394
Que.	48,339	54,087	38,868	44,203	7,769	8,105
Ont.	156,248	163,328	139,307	147,081	10,020	10,426
Man.	32,563	32,599	27,794	27,568	3,673	3,887
Sask.	35,465	33,793	26,527	24,503	8,246	8,608
Alta.	39,825	36,768	31,452	28,277	7,118	7,215
B.C.	29,321	30,657	26,028	27,228	2,230	2,298
CANADA	369,285	382,136	313,653	325,656	42,373	44,068

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