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## PRODUCTION OF EGGS

March, 1959
The estimated production of eggs in Canada 1/ during March was $42,401,000$ dozen as compared with 40,144,000 dozen for the same month last year. While the rate of lay was approximately the samo as last year the number of layers at $29,822,000$ was 4.6 per cent greater than in March 1958. Although the number of layer3 declined moderately between February and March there was a 12.3 per cent increase in egg production, partly due to increased rate of lay but mostly accounted for by the difference in the number of days.

Producers sold 35.2 mfllion dozen eggs for market during March compared to 33.4 million dozen in March 1958 and 31.9 million dozen this February. The value of eggs sold at $\$ 12,260,000$ was 1.7 per cent lower than for the same month last year but 12.2 per cent higher than in February.

Egg production in the first quarter of 1959 was $121,692,000$, an increase of 2.9 per cent from January to March production in 1958. This output was obtained from 3.4 per cent more layers than last year. Output in the West dropped by 5.7 per cent and the average number of layers declined by 3.C per cent while in the East production rose by $8 . \hat{i}$ per cent and the average number of layors increased by 8.0 per cent.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing to frozen egs in 211 plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during March 1959 was 1,580,772 pounds as compared with 557,889 pounds in March 1958.

1/ Exclusive of Newfoundland.
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IGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, MARCH, 1959

|  | Average <br> No. of Layers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Eggs } \\ & \text { per } 100 \\ & \text { Layers } \end{aligned}$ | Net Egg Production |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1000 | No. | 1000 doz. |
| Prince Edward Island | 418 | 1,676 | 582 |
| Nova Scotia | 1,149 | 1,785 | 1,703 |
| New Brunswick | 535 | 1,801 | 798 |
| Quebec | 4.425 | 1,650 | 6,036 |
| Ontario | 11,808 | 1,772 | 17,295 |
| Manitoba | 2,845 | 1,686 | 3,958 |
| Saskatchewan | 3,174 | 1,704 | 4,466 |
| Alberta | 3,110 | 1,606 | 4,124 |
| British Columbia | 2,358 | 1.763 | 3.439 |
| CANADA | 29,822 | 1,720 | 42,401 |

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, MARCH, 1958

|  | Average <br> No. of Layers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Eggs } \\ & \text { per } 100 \\ & \text { Lsyers } \end{aligned}$ | Net Egg Production |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1000 | No. | 1000 doz. |
| Prince Edward Island | 410 | 1,707 | 582 |
| Nova Scotia | 998 | 1,836 | 1,521 |
| New Brunswick | 515 | 1,791 | 764 |
| Quebec | 3,664 | 1,662 | 5,030 |
| Ontario | 11,273 | 1,717 | 15,997 |
| Manitoba | 2,590 | 1,740 | 3,723 |
| Saskatchewan | 3,240 | 1,687 | 4,518 |
| Alberta | 3,641 | 1,591 | 4,783 |
| British Columbia | 2.172 | 1.792 | 3.226 |
| CANADA | 28,502 | 1,716 | 40,144 |

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

EGG DISPOSITION MARCH, 1958 and 1959

SOLD FOR MARKET

|  | Quantity |  | Value |  | Quantity |  | Value |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1958 | 1959 | 1958 | 1959 | 1958 | 1959 | 1958 | 1959 |
|  | 1000 | doz. | \$1000 |  | 1000 doz. |  | \$1000 |  |
| P.E.I. | 493 | 485 | 165 | 157 | 68 | 72 | 22 | 23 |
| N.3. | 1,347 | 1,501 | 607 | 623 | 137 | 155 | 60 | 63 |
| N. $\mathrm{B}^{\text {。 }}$ | 590 | 620 | 282 | 270 | 152 | 156 | 71 | 66 |
| QUE. | 3,977 | 4,927 | 1,750 | 1,931 | 863 | 904 | 371 | 345 |
| ONT. | 13,975 | 15,261 | 5,786 | 5,540 | 1,077 | 1,159 | 435 | 409 |
| MAN. | 3,053 | 3,203 | 922 | 922 | 383 | 450 | 112 | 125 |
| S ASK. | 3,402 | 3,263 | 922 | 858 | 874 | 947 | 228 | 240 |
| ALTA. | 3,723 | 2,971 | 1,091 | 879 | 730 | 817 | 207 | 234 |
| B.C. | 2.834 | 3,007 | 949 | 1.080 | 236 | 266 | 77 | 93 |
| CANADA | 33,394 | 35,238 | 12,474 | 12,260 | 4,520 | 4,926 | 1,583 | 1,598 |

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS
JANUARY TO THE END OF MARCH, 1958 and 1959

|  | PRODUCTION |  | DISPOSITION |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Net Production |  | Sold for Market |  | Used for Food by Producers |  |
|  | 1958 | 1959 | 1958 | 1959 | 1958 | 1959 |
|  | 1000 doz. |  | 1000 doz. |  | 1000 doz. |  |
| P.E.I. | 1,535 | 1,516 | 1,303 | 1,261 | 192 | 199 |
| N.S. | 4,611 | 5,148 | 4,120 | 4,597 | 386 | 421 |
| N.B. | 2,107 | 2,153 | 1,656 | 1,681 | 391 | 419 |
| QUE. | 14,757 | 17,284 | 11,873 | 14,252 | 2,309 | 2,437 |
| ONT. | 47,616 | 50,649 | 42,160 | 45,100 | 3,028 | 3,224 |
| MAN. | 11,210 | 11,468 | 9,626 | 9,776 | 1,081 | 1,176 |
| S ASK. | 12,917 | 12,014 | 10,122 | 9,125 | 2,433 | 2,526 |
| ALTA. | 14,14? | 11,730 | 11,436 | 8,937 | 2,067 | 2,152 |
| B.C. | 2.392 | 9.730 | 8,320 | 8,640 | 657 | 659 |
| CANADA | 118,292 | 121,692 | 100,616 | 103,369 | 12,544 | 13,213 |



