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## PRODUCTION OF EGGS

April, 1959

The estimated production of eggs in Canada during April was 42,662,000 dozen as compared with 39,632,000 dozen for the same month last year. The number of layers rose by 5.4 per cent to 29,184,000. The rate of lay was also higher than in April 1958 despite lighter than usual culling of year-old hens last fall. Compared with March this year there was a decrease of 2.1 per cent in the number of layers but a rise in the rate of lay resulted in 0.6 per cent increase in production.

Producers sold 35.2 million dozen eggs for market during April compared to 33.1 million dozen in April 1958 and approximately the same number as in March this year. The value of eggs sold at \$12.1 million was 1.8 per cent higher than for the same month last year but 1.7 per cent lower than in March 1959.

From January 1 to the end of April, producers' sales for market at 138,569,000 dozen were 3.6 per cent more than for the same period last year. In comparison the sales through registered stations increased by 8.1 per cent with a somewhat larger portion of the eggs going through registered stations this year.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing to frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during April 1959 was 2,067,083 pounds as compared with 1,383,878 pounds in April 1958.

1/ Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, APRIL, 1959

|                      | Average<br>No. of Layers 1/ | Eggs<br>per 100<br>Layers | Net Egg<br>Production |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
|                      | *000                        | No.                       | 1000 doz.             |  |
| Prince Edward Island | 409                         | 1,886                     | 641                   |  |
| Nova Scotia          | 1,112                       | 1,942                     | 1,795                 |  |
| New Brunswick        | 520                         | 1,913                     | 826                   |  |
| Quebec               | 4,262                       | 1,702                     | 5,986                 |  |
| Ontario              | 11,590                      | 1,809                     | 17,330                |  |
| Manitoba             | 2,814                       | 1,682                     | 3,909                 |  |
| Saskatchewan         | 3,080                       | 1,765                     | 4,481                 |  |
| Alberta              | 3,073                       | 1,617                     | 4,093                 |  |
| British Columbia     | 2,324                       | 1,870                     | 3,601                 |  |
| CANADA               | 29,184                      | 1,769                     | 42,662                |  |

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, APRIL, 1958

|                      | Average<br>No. of Layers 1/ | Eggs<br>per 100<br>Layers | Net Egg<br>Production |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
|                      | 1000                        | No.                       | *000 doz.             |  |
| Prince Edward Island | 401                         | 1,848                     | 617                   |  |
| Nova Scotia          | 968                         | 1,814                     | 1,458                 |  |
| lew Brunswick        | 511                         | 1,869                     | 790                   |  |
| Quebec               | 3,578                       | 1,658                     | 4,898                 |  |
| ontario              | 11,144                      | 1,778                     | 16,369                |  |
| Ianitoba             | 2,530                       | 1,692                     | 3,533                 |  |
| Saskatchewan         | 3,068                       | 1,732                     | 4,386                 |  |
| lberta               | 3,423                       | 1,599                     | 4,508                 |  |
| British Columbia     | 2,074                       | 1,792                     | 3,073                 |  |
| CANADA               | 27,697                      | 1,717                     | 39,632                |  |

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

EGG DISPOSITION APRIL, 1958 and 1959

|        | SOLD FOR MARKET |          |        | USED FOR FOOD BY PRODUCERS |       |          |       |       |  |
|--------|-----------------|----------|--------|----------------------------|-------|----------|-------|-------|--|
|        | Quan            | Quantity |        | Value                      |       | Quantity |       | Value |  |
|        | 1958            | 1959     | 1958   | 1959                       | 1958  | 1959     | 1958  | 1959  |  |
|        | *000            | doz.     | \$100  | 00                         | 1000  | doz.     | \$100 | 00    |  |
| P.B.I. | 510             | 533      | 161    | 161                        | 75    | 82       | 23    | 24    |  |
| N.S.   | 1,276           | 1,581    | 592    | 667                        | 149   | 151      | 68    | 62    |  |
| N.B.   | 619             | 634      | 300    | 283                        | 157   | 165      | 74    | 72    |  |
| Que.   | 3,830           | 4,833    | 1,582  | 1,904                      | 884   | 923      | 356   | 354   |  |
| Ont.   | 14,511          | 15,154   | 5,485  | 5,334                      | 1,069 | 1,078    | 393   | 369   |  |
| Man.   | 2,916           | 3,137    | 846    | 875                        | 384   | 423      | 108   | 114   |  |
| Sask.  | 3,254           | 3,251    | 901    | 806                        | 965   | 958      | 258   | 228   |  |
| Alta.  | 3,511           | 2,921    | 1,022  | 844                        | 778   | 827      | 219   | 231   |  |
| B.C.   | 2,701           | 3,156    | 951    | 1,177                      | 255   | 267      | 87    | 97    |  |
| CANADA | 35,128          | 35,200   | 11,840 | 12,051                     | 4,716 | 4,874    | 1,586 | 1,551 |  |

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS

JANUARY TO THE END OF AFRIL, 1958 and 1959

| PRODUCTION |                |         | DISPOSITION     |         |                               |        |  |
|------------|----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------|--|
|            | Net Production |         | Sold for Warket |         | Used for Food<br>by Producers |        |  |
|            | 1958           | 1959    | 1958            | 1959    | 1958                          | 1959   |  |
|            | *000 doz.      |         | '000 doz.       |         | '000 doz.                     |        |  |
| P.R.I.     | 2,152          | 2,157   | 1,813           | 1,794   | 267                           | 281    |  |
| N.S.       | 6,069          | 6,943   | 5,396           | 6,178   | 535                           | 572    |  |
| N.B.       | 2,897          | 2,979   | 2,275           | 2,315   | 548                           | 584    |  |
| Que.       | 19,655         | 23,270  | 15,703          | 19,065  | 3,193                         | 3,360  |  |
| Ont.       | 63,985         | 67,979  | 56,671          | 60,254  | 4,097                         | 4,302  |  |
| Man.       | 14,743         | 15,377  | 12,542          | 12,913  | 1,465                         | 1,599  |  |
| Sask.      | 17,303         | 16,495  | 13,376          | 12,376  | 3,398                         | 3,484  |  |
| Alta.      | 18,655         | 15,825  | 14,947          | 11,858  | 2,845                         | 2,979  |  |
| B.C.       | 12,465         | 15,331  | 11,021          | 11,796  | 912                           | 926    |  |
| CANADA     | 157,924        | 164,354 | 135,744         | 138,569 | 17,260                        | 18,087 |  |

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