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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

DECEMBER 1962

The estimated production of eggs in Canada ^{1/} during December at 37.3 million dozen was 4.3 per cent less than the 39.0 million dozen produced in December 1961. Although the rate of lay was approximately the same as in December 1961 the number of layers at 27.0 million was 4.3 per cent less than a year earlier. In November the number of layers was 3.1 per cent lower than during the same month last year.

Sales of market eggs by producers during December are estimated at 33.6 million dozen, 4.3 per cent less than in December 1961. The average price of eggs to producers, as reported in the monthly sample survey was 41.4 cents per dozen in November and 35.2 cents per dozen in December. The corresponding farm prices reported in November and December 1961 were 40.5 and 33.0 cents, respectively.

According to preliminary estimates, egg production in 1962 was 429.4 million dozen, an increase of 0.5 per cent from the 427.1 million dozen produced during 1961.

FROZEN EGG: Processing to frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during the four week period ending December 29 was 340,628 pounds as compared with 573,117 pounds during the corresponding period in 1961.

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1/ Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, DECEMBER, 1962

	Average No. of Layers <u>1/</u>	Eggs Per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	293	1,289	312
Nova Scotia	1,186	1,644	1,618
New Brunswick	628	1,600	832
Quebec	4,736	1,657	6,495
Ontario	10,435	1,720	14,872
Manitoba	2,530	1,700	3,553
Saskatchewan	1,874	1,576	2,439
Alberta	2,631	1,605	3,486
British Columbia	2,704	1,639	3,673
CANADA	27,017	1,667	37,280

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

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, DECEMBER, 1961 1/

	Average No. of Layers <u>2/</u>	Eggs Per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	284	1,236	291
Nova Scotia	1,184	1,519	1,493
New Brunswick	586	1,514	736
Quebec	4,732	1,692	6,625
Ontario	11,238	1,748	16,279
Manitoba	2,652	1,654	3,622
Saskatchewan	2,254	1,449	2,697
Alberta	2,754	1,534	3,483
British Columbia	2,542	1,778	3,741
CANADA	28,226	1,668	38,967

1/ Revised.

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

EGG DISPOSITION, DECEMBER, 1961 and 1962

	SOLD FOR MARKET				USED FOR FOOD BY PRODUCERS			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
	'000 doz.		\$'000		'000 doz.		\$'000	
P.E.I.	253	279	91	101	32	32	11	11
N.S.	1,388	1,515	591	638	60	66	25	27
N.B.	661	757	276	326	72	72	29	30
Que.	5,811	5,769	2,121	2,279	526	511	187	197
Ont.	15,116	13,774	4,852	4,780	711	680	221	229
Man.	3,286	3,261	835	845	279	250	68	62
Sask.	2,185	1,894	625	581	503	535	139	159
Alta.	2,909	2,880	887	979	504	546	149	180
B.C.	3,481	3,446	1,319	1,303	131	136	48	50
CANADA	35,090	33,575	11,597	11,832	2,818	2,828	877	945

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS
JANUARY TO THE END OF DECEMBER 1961 and 1962.

	PRODUCTION		DISPOSITION			
	Net Production 1/		Sold for Market 2/		Used for food By Producers	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
	'000 doz.		'000 doz.		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	4,119	3,900	3,526	3,353	444	434
N.S.	18,329	17,198	16,995	15,844	854	857
N.B.	8,259	8,890	7,141	7,727	1,021	1,074
Que.	67,088	70,844	57,317	61,088	6,429	6,388
Ont.	179,201	179,439	163,698	164,088	8,254	8,185
Man.	36,003	36,998	31,473	32,755	3,305	3,021
Sask.	30,771	28,227	23,380	21,271	6,815	6,453
Alta.	41,333	40,498	33,359	32,588	6,289	6,449
B.C.	41,974	43,428	38,861	40,256	1,670	1,683
CANADA	427,077	429,422	375,750	378,970	35,081	34,544

1/ Includes hatching eggs.

2/ Hatching eggs not included.

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