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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

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Estimated production of eggs in Canada ^{1/} during March at 39.5 million dozen was 2.2 percent less than the 40.3 million dozen produced in March 1961. Although the estimated number of layers at 27.2 million was 0.1 percent higher than a year earlier the rate of lay decreased by 1.9 percent to 1,752 per 100 layers. A rise of about 10 percent in the production of eggs between February and March is largely attributable to the difference in length of month.

Producer sales of market eggs during March are estimated at 33.1 million dozen compared with 33.5 million dozen in March 1961. The average price of eggs to producers, as reported in the monthly sample surveys was 33.2 cents per dozen in February and 34.4 cents per dozen in March. The corresponding farm prices reported in February and March 1961 were 32.1 and 32.4 cents, respectively.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing of frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during the four week period ending March 31 was 1,712,801 pounds as compared with 877,189 pounds during the corresponding period in 1961.

^{1/} Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, MARCH, 1962

	Average No. of Layers ^{1/}	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	364	1,689	509
Nova Scotia	1,249	1,716	1,778
New Brunswick	464	1,815	698
Quebec	3,921	1,757	5,703
Ontario	11,052	1,840	16,839
Manitoba	2,480	1,668	3,423
Saskatchewan	2,411	1,586	3,150
Alberta	2,871	1,610	3,808
British Columbia	2,402	1,782	3,545
CANADA	27,214	1,752	39,453

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, MARCH 1961

	Average No. of Layers ^{1/}	Eggs Per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	405	1,602	539
Nova Scotia	1,184	1,758	1,727
New Brunswick	526	1,815	792
Quebec	3,718	1,761	5,420
Ontario	10,787	1,896	16,960
Manitoba	2,561	1,673	3,545
Saskatchewan	2,588	1,673	3,569
Alberta	3,050	1,626	4,105
British Columbia	2,364	1,870	3,663
CANADA	27,183	1,786	40,320

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

EGG DISPOSITION MARCH, 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	'000 doz.	\$'000	
P.E.I.	446	427	133	143	69	67	20	22
N.S.	1,530	1,583	641	659	142	140	58	57
N.B.	620	526	275	233	150	159	65	69
Que.	4,238	4,487	1,543	1,651	876	904	310	324
Ont.	14,991	15,032	4,917	5,381	1,143	1,075	363	374
Man.	2,864	2,812	733	756	426	423	105	110
Sask.	2,486	2,252	614	646	909	758	215	210
Alta.	3,033	2,755	874	835	754	779	210	228
B.C.	3,258	3,178	1,117	1,065	243	225	81	73
CANADA	33,466	33,052	10,847	11,369	4,712	4,530	1,427	1,467

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS
JANUARY TO THE END OF MARCH, 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.	1,400	1,366	1,152	1,149	201	189
N.S.	4,968	5,084	4,459	4,568	374	373
N.B.	2,150	2,014	1,708	1,556	394	423
Que.	15,968	16,772	12,777	13,481	2,381	2,419
Ont.	48,490	49,078	43,330	44,040	3,151	3,156
Man.	10,596	10,524	8,928	8,985	1,221	1,219
Sask.	10,446	8,909	7,624	6,486	2,575	2,221
Alta.	12,342	11,175	9,510	8,527	2,210	2,133
B.C.	10,314	10,499	9,193	9,417	680	641
CANADA	116,674	115,421	98,681	98,209	13,187	12,774

1/ Includes hatching eggs.

2/ Hatching eggs not included.

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