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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

AUGUST 1963

Estimated production of eggs in Canada ^{1/} during August at 32.9 million dozen was 5.7 per cent less than the 35.0 million dozen produced in August 1962. The estimated number of layers at 24.5 million was 5.7 per cent lower than a year earlier while the rate of lay decreased by 0.9 per cent to 1,616 eggs per 100 layers.

Sales of market eggs during August are estimated at 29.1 million dozen compared with 31.1 million dozen in August 1962. The average price of eggs to producers as reported in the monthly survey was 39.0 cents per dozen in August and 38.0 cents per dozen in July. The corresponding farm prices reported in August and July 1962 were 37.5 and 31.1 cents, respectively.

According to preliminary estimates, egg production in the first eight months of 1963 was 279.8 million dozen, down 4.5 per cent from the 293.0 million dozen produced during the corresponding period of 1962.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing to frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during the four week period ending August 31 was 1,273,742 pounds as compared with 1,496,814 pounds during the corresponding period in 1962.

TURKEY SURVEY - August 1, 1963: The estimated number of turkeys at August 1, 1963 (1962 figures in brackets) was as follows: Maritime Provinces, 100,000 (87,000); Quebec, 1,050,000 (995,000); Ontario, 3,850,000 (3,655,000); Manitoba, 1,200,000 (1,251,000); Saskatchewan, 975,000 (1,100,000); Alberta, 1,040,000 (1,123,000); British Columbia, 390,000 (515,000) and Canada, 8,605,000 (8,726,000).

The estimated output of turkeys for the period January-July 1963 amounted to 3,315,000 birds. Between August 1 and Thanksgiving the expected output is 3,433,000 birds and between Thanksgiving and Christmas 4,381,000 birds. Thus it is anticipated that there will be an output of 11,129,000 birds in 1963 compared to 11,095,000 birds in 1962, an increase of only 0.3 per cent.

^{1/} Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, AUGUST, 1963

	Average No. of Layers <u>1/</u>	Eggs Per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	261	1,530	330
Nova Scotia	1,039	1,893	1,620
New Brunswick	537	1,470	652
Quebec	3,792	1,594	5,000
Ontario	9,711	1,723	13,847
Manitoba	2,098	1,535	2,654
Saskatchewan	1,814	1,283	1,913
Alberta	2,404	1,486	2,936
British Columbia	2,811	1,717	3,994
CANADA	24,467	1,616	32,946

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, AUGUST, 1962

	Average No. of Layers <u>1/</u>	Eggs Per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	255	1,449	304
Nova Scotia	1,004	1,760	1,462
New Brunswick	576	1,535	732
Quebec	4,148	1,603	5,495
Ontario	10,892	1,729	15,593
Manitoba	2,074	1,502	2,574
Saskatchewan	1,942	1,270	2,017
Alberta	2,577	1,502	3,189
British Columbia	2,475	1,751	3,587
CANADA	25,943	1,630	34,953

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

EGG DISPOSITION, AUGUST, 1962 and 1963

	SOLD FOR MARKET				USED FOR FOOD BY PRODUCERS			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963
	'000 doz.		\$'000		'000 doz.		\$'000	
P.E.I.	260	281	109	99	38	44	16	15
N.S.	1,368	1,520	605	634	67	73	29	30
N.B.	636	563	297	254	94	87	43	38
Que.	4,713	4,269	1,767	1,827	542	509	198	213
Ont.	14,443	12,740	5,532	5,083	692	634	258	247
Man.	2,297	2,355	760	784	242	257	78	83
Sask.	1,493	1,361	484	464	517	541	162	179
Alta.	2,585	2,329	959	790	540	525	195	173
B.C.	3,346	3,724	1,178	1,434	144	154	49	58
C A N A D A	31,141	29,142	11,691	11,369	2,876	2,824	1,028	1,036

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS
JANUARY TO THE END OF AUGUST, 1962 and 1963

	PRODUCTION		DISPOSITION			
	Net Production ^{1/}		Sold for Market ^{2/}		Used For Food by Producers	
	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963
	'000 doz.		'000 doz.		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	2,800	2,862	2,387	2,460	308	321
N.S.	11,608	13,132	10,628	12,129	613	628
N.B.	5,964	6,235	5,087	5,434	788	712
Que.	47,156	43,853	40,146	37,317	4,486	4,356
Ont.	124,018	114,827	113,290	104,255	5,613	5,466
Man.	24,828	24,438	21,757	21,397	2,173	2,096
Sask.	20,229	19,406	15,361	14,510	4,378	4,387
Alta.	26,696	24,347	21,000	18,667	4,415	4,354
B.C.	29,691	30,748	27,414	28,419	1,162	1,195
C A N A D A	292,990	279,848	257,070	244,588	23,936	23,515

^{1/} Includes hatching eggs.

^{2/} Hatching eggs not included.

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