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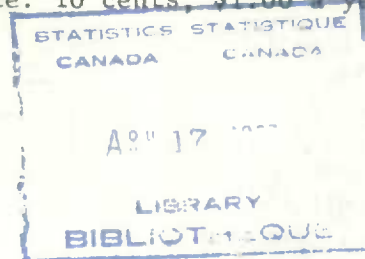
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PRODUCTION OF EGGS February 1966



Estimated production of eggs in Canada(1) during February at 33.3 million dozen was 5.4 per cent less than the 35.2 million dozen produced in February 1965. The estimated number of layers at 26.0 million was 4.1 per cent less than a year earlier while the rate of lay decreased by 1.5 per cent to 1,548 eggs per 100 layers.

Sales of market eggs during February are estimated at 28.7 million dozen, 6.3 per cent fewer than in February 1965. The average price of eggs to producers as reported in the monthly sample survey was 37.7 cents per dozen in February and 36.6 cents per dozen in January. The corresponding farm prices reported in February and January 1965 were 28.4 and 26.3 cents, respectively.

According to preliminary estimates egg production in the first two months of 1966 was 69.9 million dozen, a decrease of 5.9 per cent from the 74.3 million dozen produced during the corresponding period of 1965.

Frozen Eggs: Processing to frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during the four week period ending February 26 was 1,355,926 pounds as compared with 2,513,183 pounds during the corresponding period in 1965.

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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TABLE 1. Egg Production, by Province, February 1966

	Average Number of layers(1)	Eggs per 100 layers	Net egg production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	246	1,483	302
Nova Scotia	1,070	1,581	1,399
New Brunswick	563	1,637	766
Quebec	4,420	1,589	5,809
Ontario	9,666	1,564	12,533
Manitoba	2,694	1,575	3,516
Saskatchewan	1,756	1,423	2,063
Alberta	2,705	1,432	3,195
British Columbia	2,840	1,568	3,689
Canada	25,960	1,548	33,272

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

TABLE 2. Egg Production, by Province, February 1965

	Average Number of layers(1)	Eggs per 100 layers	Net egg production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	278	1,438	330
Nova Scotia	1,002	1,644	1,363
New Brunswick	558	1,568	727
Quebec	4,788	1,638	6,497
Ontario	10,274	1,611	13,723
Manitoba	2,845	1,579	3,714
Saskatchewan	1,894	1,379	2,157
Alberta	2,614	1,364	2,935
British Columbia	2,808	1,608	3,740
Canada	27,061	1,571	35,186

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

TABLE 3. Egg Disposition, February 1965 and 1966

	Sold for market				Used for food by producers			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
	'000 doz.		\$'000		'000 doz.		\$'000	
Prince Edward Island	287	260	80	100	39	33	10	12
Nova Scotia	1,245	1,277	428	548	75	69	25	29
New Brunswick	636	676	242	313	78	77	29	35
Quebec	5,560	4,889	1,712	2,004	541	502	161	201
Ontario	12,389	11,117	3,345	4,269	692	707	180	264
Manitoba	3,336	3,133	787	1,015	290	260	66	82
Saskatchewan	1,544	1,504	392	471	556	499	136	151
Alberta	2,197	2,495	558	783	574	527	140	160
British Columbia ...	3,451	3,364	1,166	1,319	146	133	48	51
Canada	30,645	28,715	8,710	10,822	2,991	2,807	795	985

TABLE 4. Net Production and Disposition of Eggs
January to the End of February 1965 and 1966

	Production		Disposition			
	Net production(1)		Sold for market(2)		Used for food by producers	
	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
	- '000 doz. -					
Prince Edward Island ..	675	601	593	519	75	65
Nova Scotia	2,862	2,873	2,632	2,636	144	133
New Brunswick	1,526	1,512	1,344	1,340	156	150
Quebec	13,510	12,093	11,683	10,237	1,058	1,018
Ontario	29,405	26,996	26,674	24,141	1,419	1,424
Manitoba	7,935	7,249	7,196	6,510	578	518
Saskatchewan	4,546	4,108	3,359	3,043	1,098	977
Alberta	6,182	6,573	4,768	5,269	1,139	1,001
British Columbia	7,636	7,891	7,067	7,267	296	270
Canada	74,277	69,896	65,316	60,962	5,963	5,556

(1) Includes hatching eggs.

(2) Hatching eggs not included.

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