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MONTHLY POULTRY ESTIMATES

Preliminary estimates of cumulative Net Egg Production in Canada for January and February 1949 were 50,485,000 dozens on farms and 4,705,000 dozens elsewhere than on farms.

Preliminary totals of February net egg production were 25,057,000 dozens laid by an average of 27,380,000 layers on farms, and 2,325,000 dozens laid on non-farm premises. The eggs per layer averaged 11.07 for all Canada as compared with 11.51 a year ago.

Of the disposable farm eggs in February, 70.3 per cent were sold for consumption 6.0 p.c. were sold for hatching, 15.5 p.c. were used for food on farms, 0.5 p.c. were used on farms for hatching, and 7.7 p.c. were on hand at the end of February on farms for sale or use in March. The market eggs totalled 19,042,800 dozens for farms and 1,780,500 dozens from non-farm sources.

NET EGG PRODUCTION - Cumulative - January - February

Province	1949 (Preliminary)			1948		
	Farm	Other 1/	Total	Farm	Other 1/	Total
	- thousand dozens -			- thousand dozens -		
Pr. Edward Island ...	859	29	888	883	30	913
Nova Scotia	1,567	310	1,877	2,140	424	2,564
New Brunswick	1,097	145	1,242	1,077	142	1,219
Quebec	9,570	1,119	10,689	9,756	1,141	10,897
Ontario	20,511	1,579	22,090	29,508	2,272	31,780
Manitoba	3,705	252	3,957	4,072	277	4,349
Saskatchewan	4,328	165	4,493	5,647	215	5,862
Alberta	4,483	233	4,716	6,526	340	6,866
British Columbia	4,365	873	5,238	4,663	932	5,595
CANADA	50,485	4,705	55,190	64,272	5,773	70,045

1/ Elsewhere than on farms

EGG PRODUCTION

February 1949 - Preliminary

Province	Average Layers ^{1/} on Farms thousand	Eggs Per 100 Layers No.	Total Farm Laid	Loss	Net Production		
					Farm thousand	Other ^{2/} dozens	Total
Pr. Edward Island ..	476	1,174	465	2	463	16	479
Nova Scotia	785	1,236	808	4	804	159	963
New Brunswick	610	1,153	586	2	584	77	661
Quebec	4,265	1,331	4,730	36	4,694	549	5,243
Ontario	9,627	1,271	10,196	65	10,131	780	10,911
Manitoba	2,439	919	1,868	14	1,854	126	1,980
Saskatchewan	3,624	721	2,177	31	2,146	82	2,228
Alberta	3,531	789	2,322	20	2,302	120	2,422
British Columbia ...	2,023	1,244	2,097	18	2,079	416	2,495
CANADA	27,380	1,107	25,249	192	25,057	2,325	27,382

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Pr. Edward Island ..	559	947	441	4	437	15	452
Nova Scotia	1,063	1,223	1,084	8	1,076	213	1,289
New Brunswick	666	1,030	572	4	568	75	643
Quebec	5,210	1,111	4,824	45	4,779	559	5,338
Ontario	13,134	1,316	14,404	168	14,236	1,096	15,332
Manitoba	2,670	915	2,036	24	2,012	137	2,149
Saskatchewan	3,775	904	2,844	34	2,810	107	2,917
Alberta	3,837	975	3,118	30	3,088	161	3,249
British Columbia ...	2,109	1,331	2,339	17	2,322	464	2,786
CANADA	33,023	1,151	31,662	334	31,328	2,827	34,155

EGGS PER LAYER. Estimate for February 1949

^{3/} Classified by Size of Flock of Domestic Fowl ^{4/}

Province	1-49	50-99	100-199	200-499	500 & over	All Flocks
	birds	birds	birds	birds	birds	
	eggs	eggs	eggs	eggs	eggs	eggs
Pr. Edward Island ..	7.31	9.53	14.96	13.64	13.27	11.74
Nova Scotia	11.51	11.65	15.88	14.27	15.32	12.36
New Brunswick	10.15	12.49	13.75	15.25	16.38	11.53
Quebec	12.86	11.97	13.47	15.40	15.89	13.31
Ontario	12.00	9.88	11.31	14.92	15.14	12.71
Manitoba	5.75	5.64	9.79	11.46	14.07	9.19
Saskatchewan	2.96	5.28	7.98	9.40	12.26	7.21
Alberta	4.59	5.46	7.75	10.54	12.74	7.89
British Columbia ...	9.14	9.36	11.81	13.28	13.40	12.44

^{1/} Layers of January 31 plus layers of February 28 divided by 2.

^{2/} Elsewhere than on farms.

^{3/} Farms are classified by size of flock at June 1 each year.

^{4/} Hens, cocks and chickens.

EGG DISPOSITION - FEBRUARY 1949

Province	SOLD - For Market				SOLD - For Hatching			
	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value
	000 Doz.	\$	000 Doz.	\$	000 Doz.	\$	000 Doz.	\$
P. E. I.	385.4	137,200	13.1	4,700	12.3	7,000	.4	200
N. S.	559.3	255,000	110.7	50,500	2.6	1,400	.5	300
N. B.	397.0	185,800	52.4	24,500	33.2	19,700	4.4	2,600
Que.	3,654.4	1,461,800	427.6	171,000	225.5	163,000	26.4	19,100
Ont.	7,993.0	3,149,200	615.5	242,500	707.8	371,600	54.5	28,600
Man.	1,433.1	511,600	97.5	34,800	112.0	66,900	7.6	4,500
Sask.	1,361.4	467,000	51.7	17,700	199.3	105,400	7.6	4,000
Alta.	1,620.0	552,400	84.2	28,700	128.5	72,600	6.7	3,800
B. C.	1,639.2	708,100	327.8	141,600	207.7	121,300	41.5	24,200
CANADA	19,042.8	7,428,100	1,780.5	716,000	1,628.9	928,900	149.6	87,300

FARM USE

Province	Used For Food				Used for Hatching			
	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value
	000 Doz.	\$	000 Doz.	\$	000 Doz.	\$	000 Doz.	\$
P. E. I.	50.6	17,500	1.7	600	-	-	-	-
N. S.	228.6	102,000	45.3	20,200	.9	500	.2	100
N. B.	140.8	64,500	18.6	8,500	-	-	-	-
Que.	902.1	351,800	105.5	41,100	20.5	11,500	2.4	1,300
Ont.	1,263.2	485,100	97.3	37,400	54.5	25,100	4.2	1,900
Man.	317.3	110,100	21.6	7,500	2.1	1,000	.1	50
Sask.	559.2	186,200	21.2	7,100	12.1	5,300	.5	200
Alta.	524.1	173,500	27.3	9,000	2.5	1,100	.1	50
B. C.	194.3	82,000	38.9	16,400	46.9	23,800	9.4	4,800
CANADA	4,180.2	1,572,700	377.4	147,800	139.5	68,300	16.9	8,400

^{1/} Elsewhere than on farms.

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