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MONTHLY POULTRY ESTIMATES

During May the net production of eggs in Canada was 39,944,000 dozens, of which 36,602,000 dozens were produced on farms. This production was a decrease of 1,103,000 dozens, or 2.7 per cent from the same month in 1948. There was a slight decline in eggs per hen, the average rate of lay in May 1949 being 17.27 as compared with 17.48 last year.

The estimate of the cumulative net production from January 1 to May 31, 1949 was 175,419,000 dozen eggs, while for the similar period of 1948 (in which there was an extra day) the production was 193,761,000 dozens, a decline of 9.5 per cent.

There were 31,636,900 dozen eggs, or 78.4 per cent of all disposals, sold for consumption to a value of \$11,994,200. Sales of hatching eggs were 3.8 per cent, or 1,533,700 dozens, valued at \$1,002,800. Producers used 17.0 per cent, or 6,854,500 dozens for food. The value of this consumption was \$2,519,200. Producers also used 316,800 dozens, or 0.8 per cent, for hatching, which were valued at \$169,500.

NET EGG PRODUCTION - Cumulative - January to May

Province	1949 (Preliminary)			1948		
	Farm	Other 1/	Total	Farm	Other 1/	Total
	- thousand dozens -			- thousand dozens -		
Pr. Edward Island.....	3,015	102	3,117	2,826	97	2,923
Nova Scotia .....	6,674	1,321	7,995	6,391	1,266	7,657
New Brunswick.....	3,481	459	3,940	3,576	472	4,048
Quebec .....	28,753	3,364	32,117	27,716	3,242	30,958
Ontario .....	59,495	4,581	64,076	73,615	5,669	79,284
Manitoba.....	13,143	890	14,033	13,366	909	14,275
Saskatchewan.....	17,267	698	17,965	18,330	697	19,027
Alberta .....	16,836	910	17,746	18,799	978	19,777
British Columbia.....	12,025	2,405	14,430	13,177	2,635	15,812
CANADA.....	160,689	14,730	175,419	177,796	15,965	193,761

1/ Elsewhere than on farms.

## EGG PRODUCTION

May 1949 - Preliminary

Province	Average Layers <sup>1/</sup> on Farms thousand	Eggs Per 100 Layers No.	Total Farm Laid	Loss	NET PRODUCTION		Total
					Farm thousand dozens	Other <sup>2/</sup> dozens	
Pr. Edward Island ...	524	1,764	770	3	767	26	793
Nova Scotia .....	1,048	1,817	1,587	14	1,573	311	1,884
New Brunswick .....	506	1,882	794	5	789	104	893
Quebec .....	4,298	1,742	6,240	48	6,192	724	6,916
Ontario .....	8,809	1,676	12,303	77	12,226	941	13,167
Manitoba .....	2,356	1,789	3,512	31	3,481	233	3,714
Saskatchewan .....	3,246	1,718	4,648	36	4,612	217	4,829
Alberta .....	3,015	1,745	4,385	52	4,333	260	4,593
British Columbia ....	1,830	1,737	2,649	20	2,629	526	3,155
CANADA .....	25,632	1,727	36,888	286	36,602	3,342	39,944

## MAY 1948

Pr. Edward Island ...	480	1,824	729	6	723	25	748
Nova Scotia .....	910	1,844	1,398	13	1,385	274	1,659
New Brunswick .....	557	1,877	871	7	864	114	978
Quebec .....	4,304	1,750	6,277	54	6,223	728	6,951
Ontario .....	9,232	1,744	13,418	112	13,306	1,025	14,331
Manitoba .....	2,300	1,730	3,316	35	3,281	223	3,504
Saskatchewan .....	3,273	1,740	4,746	36	4,710	179	4,889
Alberta .....	3,233	1,695	4,567	55	4,512	235	4,747
British Columbia ....	1,835	1,785	2,729	29	2,700	540	3,240
CANADA .....	26,124	1,748	38,051	347	37,704	3,343	41,047

## EGGS PER LAYER. Estimate for May 1949

<sup>3/</sup> Classified by Size of Flock of Domestic Fowl <sup>4/</sup>

Province	1-49	50-99	100-199	200-499	500 & over	All
	birds eggs	birds eggs	birds eggs	birds eggs	birds eggs	Flocks eggs
Pr. Edward Island ...	16.62	18.61	17.12	16.39	17.05	17.64
Nova Scotia .....	18.01	18.42	18.16	17.45	19.07	18.17
New Brunswick .....	18.93	17.92	17.91	20.02	24.15	18.82
Quebec .....	16.65	18.55	17.82	16.82	16.34	17.42
Ontario .....	18.98	17.28	16.44	15.97	16.49	16.76
Manitoba .....	12.86	18.04	19.37	18.29	17.09	17.89
Saskatchewan .....	17.56	17.50	17.48	16.08	17.55	17.18
Alberta .....	14.72	17.15	17.89	18.18	18.65	17.45
British Columbia ....	17.36	17.64	17.95	17.62	17.13	17.37

<sup>1/</sup> Layers of April 30 plus layers of May 31 divided by 2.<sup>2/</sup> Elsewhere than on farms.<sup>3/</sup> Farms are classified by size of flock at June 1 each year.<sup>4/</sup> Hens, cocks and chickens.

EGG DISPOSITION - MAY 1949

Province	SOLD - For Market				SOLD - For Hatching			
	Farm	Value	Other <sup>1/</sup>	Value	Farm	Value	Other <sup>1/</sup>	Value
	000 doz.	\$	000 doz.	\$	000 doz.	\$	000 doz.	\$
P.E.I.	662.5	241,800	22.5	8,200	8.3	5,600	.3	200
N. S.	1,177.6	504,000	233.2	99,800	30.3	16,200	6.0	3,200
N. B.	535.7	223,400	70.7	29,500	4.9	2,500	.6	300
Que.	4,887.5	2,067,400	571.8	241,900	149.5	112,700	17.5	13,200
Ont.	10,120.5	3,987,500	779.3	307,000	398.6	227,600	30.7	17,500
Man.	2,633.6	892,800	176.5	59,800	341.7	213,900	22.9	14,300
Sask.	3,386.0	1,056,400	159.1	49,700	260.9	185,200	12.3	8,700
Alta.	3,299.2	1,045,800	198.0	62,700	113.5	90,700	6.8	5,400
B. C.	2,269.3	930,400	453.9	186,100	107.4	71,300	21.5	14,300
CANADA	28,971.9	10,949,500	2,665.0	1,044,700	1,415.1	925,700	113.6	77,100

PRODUCER USE

	Used for Food				Used for Hatching			
	Farm	Value	Other <sup>1/</sup>	Value	Farm	Value	Other <sup>1/</sup>	Value
	000 doz.	\$	000 doz.	\$	000 doz.	\$	000 doz.	\$
P.E.I.	84.9	30,100	2.9	1,300	1.7	900	.1	100
N. S.	366.7	153,300	72.6	30,400	11.3	5,700	2.3	1,100
N. B.	242.7	98,800	32.0	13,000	9.1	4,300	1.2	600
Que.	1,352.7	558,700	158.3	65,400	88.4	52,100	10.3	6,100
Ont.	1,671.8	642,000	128.7	49,400	51.4	24,800	4.0	1,900
Man.	464.5	152,800	31.1	10,200	23.1	11,200	1.5	800
Sask.	936.0	282,700	44.0	13,300	46.0	23,500	2.2	1,100
Alta.	893.3	274,200	53.6	16,500	47.3	26,400	2.8	1,600
B. C.	265.6	106,200	53.1	21,200	11.3	6,100	2.3	1,200
CANADA	6,278.2	2,298,800	576.3	220,400	290.1	155,000	26.7	14,500

<sup>1/</sup> Elsewhere than on farms.

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