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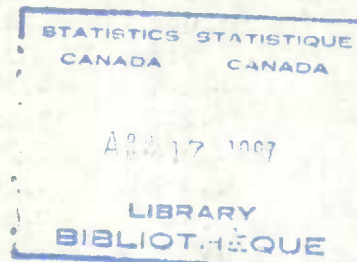
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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

April 1967



Estimated production of eggs in Canada(1) during April at 37.1 million dozen was 3.1 per cent more than the 36.0 million dozen produced in April 1966. The estimated number of layers at 25.7 million was 3.5 per cent more than a year earlier but the rate of lay decreased by 0.2 per cent to 1,743 eggs per 100 layers.

Sales of market eggs during April are estimated at 31.5 million dozen, 3.5 per cent more than in April 1966. The average price of eggs to producers as reported in the monthly sample survey was 34.7 cents per dozen in April and 35.6 cents per dozen in March. The corresponding farm prices reported in April and March 1966 were 42.5 and 40.6 cents, respectively.

According to preliminary estimates egg production in the first four months of 1967 was 146.7 million dozen, an increase of 3.2 per cent from the 142.2 million dozen produced during the corresponding period of 1966.

Eggs in cold storages and egg stations (shown in table 5 of this report) at May 1, 1967 amounted to the equivalent of 6.2 million dozen 56.8 per cent more than at May 1, 1966. Frozen eggs increased by 88.4 per cent while shell eggs increased by 20.6 per cent.

Stocks of poultry meat (shown in table 6 of this report) at May 1, 1967 were 56.6 per cent higher than a year earlier. More detailed information on stocks of poultry and eggs can be obtained from the D.B.S. publication "Stocks of Dairy and Poultry Products" catalogue number 32009.

Egg products: Frozen and other egg products from registered premises, during the four week period ending April 29, was 2,586,771 pounds as compared with 1,085,525 pounds during the corresponding period in 1966. (Source "Poultry Market Report" Canada Department of Agriculture).

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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TABLE 1. Egg Production, April, 1966 and 1967

	Average No. of layers (2)		Eggs per 100 layers		Net egg production	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	'000		number		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	214	204	1,915	1,809	341	307
N.S.	1,043	1,022	1,950	1,933	1,680	1,627
N.B.	518	526	1,720	1,833	730	799
Que.	4,345	4,576	1,711	1,626	6,152	6,125
Ont.	9,276	9,399	1,767	1,816	13,600	14,139
Man.	2,534	2,764	1,661	1,750	3,483	4,002
Sask.	1,580	1,563	1,691	1,593	2,205	2,052
Alta.	2,426	2,584	1,755	1,650	3,519	3,523
B.C.	2,934	3,104	1,751	1,757	4,256	4,519
CANADA(1)	24,870	25,742	1,746	1,743	35,966	37,093

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.

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

TABLE 2. Egg Disposition, April 1966 and 1967

	Sold for market						Used for food by producers			
	Quantity		Value		Farm Price		Quantity		Value	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	'000 doz.		\$'000		per doz.		'000 doz.		\$'000	
P.E.I.	286	261	121	94	42.3	36.1	39	40	16	14
N.S.	1,521	1,451	721	598	47.4	41.2	86	88	40	35
N.B.	622	672	325	325	52.2	48.4	90	95	46	42
Que.	5,152	5,037	2,530	2,045	49.1	40.6	564	599	271	237
Ont.	11,919	12,439	5,328	4,403	44.7	35.4	755	764	330	263
Man.	2,983	3,535	1,086	990	36.4	28.0	288	266	102	72
Sask.	1,453	1,326	462	403	31.8	30.4	628	595	193	175
Alta.	2,604	2,635	875	775	33.6	29.4	627	594	204	169
B.C.	3,908	4,160	1,489	1,315	38.1	31.6	160	149	59	46
Canada(1)	30,448	31,516	12,937	10,948	42.5	34.7	3,237	3,190	1,261	1,053

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.

TABLE 3. Net Production and Disposition of Eggs
January to the End of April 1966 and 1967

	Production		Disposition			
	Net production(2)		Sold for Market(3)		Used for food by producers	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	- '000 doz. -					
Prince Edward Island ..	1,252	1,160	1,065	986	141	139
Nova Scotia	6,267	6,275	5,721	5,706	301	296
New Brunswick	2,970	3,078	2,584	2,654	328	336
Quebec	24,661	24,390	20,740	20,319	2,135	2,179
Ontario	54,738	55,855	48,544	49,511	2,910	2,873
Manitoba	14,239	15,950	12,502	14,269	1,083	1,042
Saskatchewan	8,498	8,101	5,976	5,412	2,181	2,285
Alberta	13,223	14,257	10,091	11,133	2,234	2,190
British Columbia	16,342	17,681	15,006	16,309	585	573
Canada (1)	142,190	146,747	122,229	126,299	11,898	11,913

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.

(2) Includes hatching eggs.

(3) Hatching eggs not included.

TABLE 4. Egg Production Chick Placements 1966 and 1967

Source: Canada Department of Agriculture

	April			January to the end of April		
	1966	1967	1967 as a % of 1966	1966	1967	1967 as a % of 1966
	'000		%	'000		%
Nfld.	17	15	88.2	67	40	59.7
P.E.I.	38	34	89.5	76	92	121.1
N.S.	166	197	118.7	441	476	107.9
N.B.	91	76	83.5	194	191	98.5
Que.	472	526	111.4	1,558	1,500	96.3
Ont.	1,105	1,107	100.2	3,123	3,421	109.5
Man.	415	508	122.4	1,026	1,163	113.4
Sask.	755	686	90.9	1,161	1,052	90.6
Alta.	621	660	106.3	1,414	1,411	99.8
B.C.	287	310	108.0	1,081	1,200	111.0
CANADA	3,966	4,119	103.9	10,140	10,544	104.0

TABLE 5. Eggs in Cold Storages and Egg Stations, Canada

	May 1, 1966	May 1, 1967 Preliminary	May 1, 1967 as a % of May 1, 1966	April 1, 1967 Revised
	'000 doz.		%	'000 doz.
Shell eggs	1,890	2,280	120.6	1,950
Eggs in transit	—	30	—	30
Frozen eggs (1.3 lb. per doz.)	2,070	3,900	188.4	4,050
TOTAL	3,960	6,210	156.8	6,030

TABLE 6. Stocks of Poultry Meat, Canada
(Eviscerated Weight Basis)

	May 1, 1966	May 1, 1967 Preliminary	May 1, 1967 as a % of May 1, 1966	April 1, 1967 Revised
	'000 lb.		%	'000 lb.
TOTAL FOWL & CHICKEN	11,284	26,083	231.2	27,330
(a) Chicken under 4 lb.	6,665	12,965	194.5	13,873
(b) Chicken 4 lb. & over	2,230	7,383	331.1	7,733
(c) Fowl	2,389	5,735	240.1	5,724
TOTAL TURKEY	18,683	21,658	115.9	25,653
(a) Up to 10 lb.	5,313	5,179	97.5	5,844
(b) Over 10 lb. & under 16 lb.	4,795	7,004	146.1	6,939
(c) 16 lb. & over	8,575	9,475	110.5	12,870
DUCK	207	321	155.1	245
GOOSE	75	106	141.3	116
UNCLASSIFIED	1,741	1,922	110.4	1,466
TOTAL POULTRY	31,990	50,090	156.6	54,810