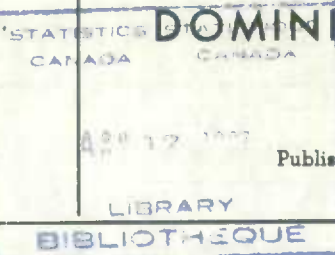


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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

June 1967

Preliminary estimates show that egg production in Canada(1) rose by 6.1 per cent from June 1966 to June 1967. The first six months of this year show an increase in egg production of 3.7 per cent over the same period last year. The number of layers increased by 3.5 per cent from June 1966 to June 1967 and the rate of lay increased by 2.3 per cent.

Egg Stabilization Program: Agriculture Minister J.J. Greene has announced that the Agricultural Products Board has been authorized to stabilize egg prices through a purchase program.

Eggs will be bought by the Board and processed into egg products such as egg melange and egg powder. It is expected that some of the egg products will make up part of Canada's contribution to the World Food Program.

The Minister emphasized that egg market stability is important to both the producer and the consumer. Extreme fluctuations in supply create producer problems in planning production. Wide variations in egg supplies and prices from year to year do not serve the best interests of the consumer.

Egg Products: Frozen and other egg products from registered premises, during the four week period ending July 1 was 3,547,464 pounds as compared with 2,800,926 pounds during the corresponding period in 1966. (Source "Poultry Market Report" Canada Department of Agriculture).

Summary Table, Canada, June 1966-67

	June 1966	June 1967	Per cent change
			%
Average no. of layers ('000)	24,070	24,918	+ 3.5
Eggs per 100 layers	1,715	1,755	+ 2.3
Net egg production ('000 doz.)	34,124	36,192	+ 6.1
Farm price of eggs sold for market (¢ per doz.)	36.4	30.2	- 17.0
	July 1966 (Revised)	July 1967 (Preliminary)	Per cent change
			%
Shell eggs in cold storage and egg stations ...	1,890	3,150	+ 66.7
Frozen and other egg products (1.3 lb per doz.)	2,970	4,800	+ 61.6

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TABLE 1. Egg Production, June, 1966 and 1967

	Average No. of layers(1)		Eggs per 100 layers		Net egg production	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	'000		number		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	208	196	1,753	1,804	302	294
N.S.	1,068	1,025	1,831	1,882	1,608	1,586
N.B.	508	480	1,813	1,715	758	675
Que.	4,134	4,487	1,750	1,700	5,963	6,302
Ont.	9,141	9,328	1,721	1,766	13,029	13,657
Man.	2,430	2,510	1,643	1,816	3,307	3,771
Sask.	1,440	1,360	1,542	1,588	1,833	1,787
Alta.	2,270	2,378	1,616	1,681	3,025	3,304
B.C.	2,871	3,154	1,810	1,842	4,299	4,816
Total	24,070	24,918	1,715	1,755	34,124	36,192

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

TABLE 2. Egg Disposition, June 1966 and 1967

	Sold for market						Sold 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.	244	238	76	75	31.1	31.7	44	47	13	14
N.S.	1,491	1,449	579	383	38.8	26.4	77	87	29	22
N.B.	654	574	283	239	43.3	41.7	96	91	41	37
Que.	4,944	5,395	2,042	1,877	41.3	34.8	565	582	228	197
Ont.	11,366	11,972	4,251	3,699	37.4	30.9	722	735	263	220
Man.	2,929	3,397	946	846	32.3	24.9	274	274	86	65
Sask.	1,236	1,121	381	321	30.8	28.6	554	616	165	170
Alta.	2,327	2,615	735	735	31.6	28.1	564	559	173	151
B.C.	3,983	4,486	1,314	1,283	33.0	28.6	143	155	46	43
Total ...	29,174	31,247	10,607	9,458	36.4	30.2	3,039	3,146	1,044	919

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

	Production		Disposition			
	Net production(1)		Sold for market(2)		Used for food by producers	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	'000 doz.					
Prince Edward Island ..	1,900	1,768	1,593	1,485	229	228
Nova Scotia	9,618	9,504	8,799	8,645	464	468
New Brunswick	4,575	4,520	3,976	3,871	518	529
Quebec	36,978	37,177	30,987	31,266	3,263	3,346
Ontario	81,786	83,821	72,275	74,004	4,418	4,329
Manitoba	21,068	23,767	18,502	21,251	1,624	1,597
Saskatchewan	12,385	11,857	8,570	7,775	3,342	3,523
Alberta	19,724	21,107	15,065	16,487	3,411	3,349
British Columbia	25,041	27,368	23,069	25,327	885	884
Total	213,075	220,889	182,836	190,111	18,154	18,253

(1) Includes hatching eggs.

(2) Hatching eggs not included.

TABLE 4. Egg Production Chick Placements 1966 and 1967
Source: Canada Department of Agriculture

	June			January to the end of June		
	1966	1967	1967 as a % of 1966	1966	1967	1967 as a % of 1966
	'000		%	'000		%
Nfld.	17	32	188.2	109	89	81.7
P.E.I.	29	24	82.8	146	152	104.1
N.S.	86	98	114.0	632	753	119.1
N.B.	45	45	100.0	320	309	96.6
Que.	458	417	91.0	2,570	2,566	99.8
Ont.	854	886	103.7	5,002	5,527	110.5
Man.	406	426	104.9	1,965	2,184	111.1
Sask.	231	134	58.0	2,106	1,853	88.0
Alta.	181	162	89.5	2,135	2,100	98.4
B.C.	224	178	79.5	1,561	1,740	111.5
Canada	2,531	2,398	94.7	16,546	17,270	104.4

TABLE 5. Eggs in Cold Storages and Egg Stations, Canada(1)
(on the first business day of the month)

	July 1966	July 1967 preliminary	July 1967 as a % of July 1966	June 1967 revised
	'000 doz.		%	'000 doz.
Shell eggs	1,890	3,150	166.7	2,880
Eggs in transit	—	30	—	—
Frozen eggs (1.3 lb. per doz.) ..	2,970	4,800	161.6	4,290
Total	4,860	7,980	164.2	7,170

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.

TABLE 6. Stocks of Poultry Meat, Canada(1)
(Eviscerated Weight Basis)
(on the first business day of the month)

	July 1966	July 1967 preliminary	July 1967 as a % of July 1966	June 1967 revised
	'000 lb.		%	'000 lb.
Total Fowl & Chicken	10,459	26,488	253.3	28,357
(a) Chicken under 4 lb.	6,037	13,672	226.5	14,763
(b) Chicken 4 lb. & over	2,522	6,904	273.8	7,349
(c) Fowl	1,900	5,912	311.2	6,245
Total Turkey	13,549	17,199	126.9	17,423
(a) Up to 10 lb.	4,159	5,096	122.5	4,656
(b) Over 10 lb. & under 16 lb.	4,309	6,392	148.3	6,236
(c) 16 lb. & over	5,081	5,711	112.4	6,531
Duck	467	398	85.2	328
Goose	46	100	217.4	102
Unclassified	1,594	2,052	128.7	2,178
Total Poultry	26,115	46,237	177.1	48,388

(1) Exclusive of Newfoundland.