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POULTRY ESTIMATES

April 1950

Egg production in Canada during April is estimated at 35.8 million dozens, which is approximately the same as during April 1949, when production was estimated at 35.7 million dozens. Production during the first four months of 1950 shows a 2.5% increase when the 1950 preliminary figures are compared with the final estimates for 1949.

The rate of lay for the month was 1,673 eggs per 100 hens, compared with 1,701 a year earlier, and 1,491 during March 1950. The lay per 100 layers on hand during the first four months of the year was 5,365 eggs, compared with 5,415 eggs during the same period in 1949.

The average number of layers on farms during the month is estimated at 23.7 million birds, which is slightly higher than the 23.3 million in April 1949.

Sales of eggs by producers during April are estimated at 29.3 million dozens, of which 1.8 million dozens were sold for hatching.

FROZEN EGGS: Production of frozen eggs in April in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture and in uninspected plants reporting to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, was 2,098,000 lbs.

TABLE 1A- Production on Farms and Elsewhere, by Provinces, April 1950-Preliminary

Province	Average Layers ^{1/} on Farms	Eggs per 100 Layers	Total Farm Laid	Loss	Net Production		
					Farm	Other ^{2/}	Total
	000	No.	- - - - -	- - - - -	000 doz.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Pr. Edward Island	409	1,671	570	2	568	19	587
Nova Scotia	862	1,898	1,363	3	1,360	269	1,629
New Brunswick ...	557	1,760	817	2	815	108	923
Quebec	4,259	1,715	6,087	45	6,042	707	6,749
Ontario	8,110	1,659	11,212	83	11,129	857	11,986
Manitoba	2,114	1,653	2,912	19	2,893	194	3,087
Saskatchewan	3,029	1,556	3,928	22	3,906	184	4,090
Alberta	2,957	1,649	4,063	35	4,028	242	4,270
British Columbia.	1,434	1,782	2,130	14	2,116	423	2,539
CANADA	23,731	1,673	33,082	225	32,857	3,003	35,860

TABLE 1B- Production on Farms and Elsewhere, by Provinces, April 1949-Final

Province	Average Layers ^{1/} on Farms	Eggs per 100 Layers	Total Farm Laid	Loss	Net Production		
					Farm	Other ^{2/}	Total
	000	No.	- - - - -	- - - - -	000 doz.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Pr. Edward Island	427	1,791	637	3	634	22	656
Nova Scotia	856	1,864	1,330	10	1,320	261	1,581
New Brunswick ...	516	1,889	813	3	810	107	917
Quebec	3,965	1,633	5,396	41	5,355	627	5,982
Ontario	7,846	1,684	11,010	70	10,940	842	11,782
Manitoba	2,057	1,673	2,867	19	2,848	191	3,039
Saskatchewan	3,056	1,723	4,388	29	4,359	205	4,564
Alberta	2,955	1,705	4,199	36	4,163	250	4,413
British Columbia.	1,587	1,766	2,336	17	2,319	464	2,783
CANADA	23,265	1,701	32,976	228	32,748	2,969	35,717

^{1/} Layers of March 31 plus layers of April 30 divided by 2.

^{2/} Elsewhere than on farms.

TABLE 2- Number of Eggs Laid per Layer, by Size of Flock,^{1/} by Provinces, April 1950

Province	No. of Birds					All Flocks
	1-49	50-99	100-199	200-499	500 & over	
- eggs -						
Pr. Edward Island	17.59	17.59	14.67	20.42	20.87	16.71
Nova Scotia	19.22	17.20	20.70	20.44	19.59	18.98
New Brunswick ...	16.97	17.61	19.14	19.05	19.05	17.60
Quebec	17.05	17.10	17.47	17.15	17.18	17.15
Ontario	16.61	16.81	15.76	17.17	16.83	16.59
Manitoba	14.69	15.40	17.94	16.72	15.78	16.53
Saskatchewan	14.48	13.87	16.86	15.98	17.43	15.56
Alberta	13.61	15.57	16.28	18.35	17.47	16.49
British Columbia.	15.94	16.28	19.17	17.58	18.25	17.82

TABLE 3- Eggs:Net Production on Farms and Elsewhere, by Provinces, January to April 1949 and 1950

Province	1950 - Preliminary			1949		
	Farm	Other	Total	Farm	Other	Total
- 000 doz. -						
Pr. Edward Island	1,855	63	1,918	2,028	69	2,097
Nova Scotia	4,600	911	5,511	4,511	893	5,404
New Brunswick ...	2,650	350	3,000	2,653	351	3,004
Quebec	21,142	2,473	23,615	21,018	2,459	23,477
Ontario	47,960	3,693	51,653	43,559	3,354	46,913
Manitoba	9,446	633	10,079	9,306	624	9,930
Saskatchewan	10,637	501	11,138	11,876	558	12,434
Alberta	11,862	711	12,573	12,079	725	12,804
British Columbia.	8,270	1,654	9,924	8,486	1,698	10,184
CANADA	118,422	10,989	129,411	115,516	10,731	126,247

^{1/} Farms are classified by size of flock at June 1 each year; flocks include hens, cocks and chickens.



EGG DISPOSITION - April 1950

Province	Sold - for Market				Sold - for Hatching			
	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value
	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000
Pr. Edward Island	484	152	16	5	3	2	^{a/}	^{a/}
Nova Scotia	1,014	400	200	79	9	7	^{2/}	^{2/}
New Brunswick ...	585	235	77	31	3	2	^{a/}	^{a/}
Quebec	4,384	1,600	513	187	240	169	28	20
Ontario	9,033	3,152	696	243	557	267	43	21
Manitoba	2,253	635	151	43	160	90	10	6
Saskatchewan	2,784	749	131	35	250	144	12	7
Alberta	2,879	792	173	48	248	135	15	8
British Columbia.	1,675	652	335	130	192	140	38	28
CANADA	25,091	8,367	2,292	801	1,662	956	148	92

Province	Used for Food by Producers				Used for Hatching by Producers			
	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value	Farm	Value	Other ^{1/}	Value
	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000
Pr. Edward Island	83	25	3	1	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	324	124	64	25	7	4	1	1
New Brunswick ...	222	87	29	11	1	^{a/}	^{a/}	^{a/}
Quebec	1,347	478	158	56	39	21	5	2
Ontario	1,458	494	112	38	24	10	2	1
Manitoba	443	120	30	8	10	4	1	^{a/}
Saskatchewan	829	215	39	10	30	13	1	1
Alberta	881	234	53	14	27	11	2	1
British Columbia.	192	73	38	15	12	6	2	1
CANADA.....	5,779	1,850	526	178	150	69	14	7

Province	FARM and OTHER							
	SALES				PRODUCER USE			
	Consumption		Hatching		Consumption		Hatching	
	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000	000 doz.	\$000
Pr. Edward Island	500	157	3	2	86	26	-	-
Nova Scotia	1,214	479	11	9	388	149	8	5
New Brunswick ...	662	266	3	2	251	98	1	^{a/}
Quebec	4,897	1,787	268	189	1,505	534	44	23
Ontario	9,729	3,395	600	288	1,570	532	26	11
Manitoba	2,404	678	170	96	473	128	11	4
Saskatchewan	2,915	784	262	151	868	225	31	14
Alberta	3,052	840	263	143	934	248	29	12
British Columbia.	2,010	782	230	168	230	88	14	7
CANADA	27,383	9,168	1,810	1,048	6,305	2,028	164	76

^{a/} Less than 500.
^{1/} Elsewhere than on farms.