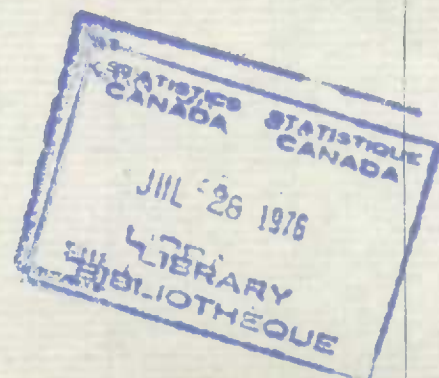


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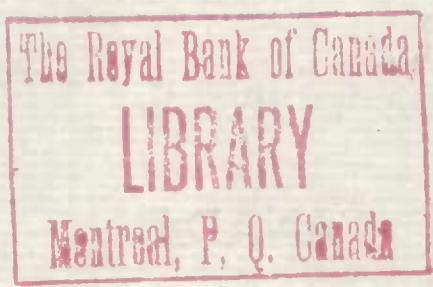
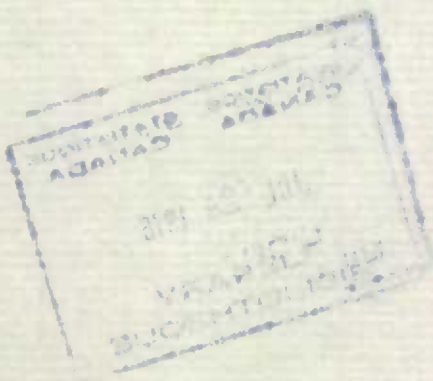
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PRODUCTION OF POULTRY AND EGGS IN CANADA

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issued today a statement dealing with the number and value of farm poultry, the production and value of farm eggs and the consumption of poultry and eggs in Canada, in 1937.

The total number of farm poultry in the Dominion as shown in the survey taken at June 1, 1937, amounted to 57,510,100, consisting of 53,982,900 hens and chickens; 1,997,900 turkeys; 874,900 geese, and 654,400 ducks. In the survey of December 1, 1937, the number of farm poultry was estimated at 43,190,100 of which 39,564,000 were hens and chickens; 2,184,100 turkeys; 835,100 geese and 606,900 ducks. On June 1, 1937 the decrease in the number of farm poultry as compared with the number at the same date in 1936 was 1,829,300 or 3.1 per cent. Between June 1 and December 1 there was a decrease of 14,320,000 or 24.9 per cent.

The value of farm poultry, based on average prices estimated by crop correspondents, and the numbers reported on farms at June 1, 1937, reached a total of \$42,954,000, made up as follows: Hens and chickens \$37,335,000; turkeys \$3,804,000; geese \$1,259,000; ducks \$556,000. The total value of farm poultry showed an increase of \$2,588,000 or 6.4 per cent over that of 1936. The estimated market value of farm poultry was \$13,286,000. Hens and chickens were valued at \$9,198,000; turkeys \$2,453,000; geese \$1,134,000 and ducks \$501,000. Compared with the estimated market value of farm poultry in 1936, the 1937 figure shows an increase of \$818,000 or 6.6 per cent.

The total consumption of poultry in 1937 was estimated at 201,822,040 pounds, which represented a decline of 1,324,147 pounds as compared with 1936. The per capita consumption also showed a slight decline, being 18.15 pounds in 1937 compared with 18.43 pounds in 1936. All classes of poultry reflected the general decline in consumption except turkeys and geese. The per capita consumption in 1937 by classes was as follows: Hens and chickens 15.65 pounds; turkeys 1.57 pounds; geese .65 pounds and ducks .28 pounds.

The total production of farm eggs in 1937 is estimated at 219,443,000 dozens compared with 219,494,000 dozens in 1936, representing a decrease of only 51,000 dozens. All of the provinces contributed to this decrease except Quebec, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia. The estimated number of egg-laying hens in 1937 was 23,861,000, compared with 23,798,000 in 1936, representing an increase of 63,000 birds. Offsetting the increase in the number of laying hens was a slight decrease in the egg production per hen. Four of the provinces, namely Prince Edward Island, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta showed decreases in the production per hen, while Nova Scotia, Quebec and British Columbia recorded increases. In New Brunswick and Manitoba no change was reported.

The estimated value of farm eggs is placed at \$38,480,000 in 1937, which represents an average of 17.5 cents per dozen in comparison with \$40,776,000 or 18.5 cents per dozen in the preceding year. This value represents a decrease of \$2,296,000 or 5.6 per cent. Prices declined in all provinces except Saskatchewan which remained the same as last year, but due to larger flocks values increased in all provinces.

The gross value of poultry and eggs combined reached a total of \$81,434,000 in 1937, which is \$292,000 more than in 1936 and is the highest recorded since 1931.

The consumption of eggs in 1937 was 238,913,108 dozens, which is 643,576 dozens greater than in 1936. The per capita consumption of eggs showed only a slight decline, being 21.48 dozens in 1937 compared with 21.61 dozens in 1936.

All estimates in this report were made by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the advice of the Provincial Deputy Ministers of Agriculture, statisticians, poultrymen and extension workers in the various provinces. The numbers of egg-laying hens were calculated from the numbers of mature birds shown in the survey of June 1, 1936 and 1937, with reductions to allow for cocks and cockerels.



I. NUMBERS OF FARM POULTRY ON FARMS IN CANADA  
JUNE 1 AND DECEMBER 1, 1936 AND 1937.

Province	HENS AND CHICKENS				TURKEYS		
	June 1		December 1		June 1		December 1
	1936	1937	1936	1937	1936	1937	1937
Canada	55,769,300	53,982,900	43,491,600	39,564,000	2,044,700	1,997,900	2,184,100
P.E.I.	851,600	826,200	775,100	734,500	11,800	11,800	11,200
N.S.	1,235,500	1,211,600	815,700	820,500	14,500	15,700	28,600
N.B.	1,314,800	1,289,900	1,002,700	986,300	28,800	26,600	44,700
Que.	7,459,900	7,362,300	6,727,300	6,550,700	127,400	110,700	168,700
Ont.	21,723,600	21,314,300	15,280,800	13,947,700	428,100	425,400	463,900
Man.	4,255,500	3,832,000	3,060,800	3,151,000	380,000	392,600	402,500
Sask.	8,862,300	8,116,000	8,437,000	6,515,300	587,400	524,000	561,500
Alta.	6,307,200	6,161,100	5,428,300	4,992,000	430,300	444,500	479,200
B.C.	3,758,900	3,869,500	1,963,900	1,865,500	36,400	46,600	23,800

Province	GEESE			DUCKS		
	June 1		December 1	June 1		December 1
	1936	1937	1937	1936	1937	1937
Canada	854,900	874,900	835,100	670,500	654,400	606,900
P.E.I.	28,100	26,300	22,800	15,800	13,900	15,800
N.S.	11,500	11,700	11,700	7,100	5,100	7,800
N.B.	15,300	14,300	17,300	8,300	8,500	8,600
Que.	72,100	61,100	84,000	80,300	69,000	45,000
Ont.	452,000	446,200	440,600	354,600	350,300	366,800
Man.	55,900	72,500	57,900	37,400	35,900	35,200
Sask.	113,100	111,100	103,600	72,000	74,200	49,600
Alta.	97,500	123,000	89,000	63,800	64,900	63,500
B.C.	9,400	8,700	8,200	31,200	32,600	14,600

II. VALUE OF POULTRY ON FARMS AND MARKETED OFF FARMS IN CANADA  
BY PROVINCES, 1935, 1936 AND 1937.

Province	VALUE OF POULTRY ON FARMS*			VALUE OF MARKET POULTRY		
	1935	1936	1937	1935	1936	1937
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Canada	40,292,000	40,366,000	42,954,000	12,671,000	12,468,000	13,286,000
P.E.I.	655,000	646,000	664,000	206,000	205,000	210,000
N.S.	770,000	990,000	945,000	225,000	287,000	275,000
N.B.	1,028,000	1,122,000	1,172,000	311,000	339,000	349,000
Que.	5,843,000	5,376,000	6,917,000	1,848,000	1,702,000	2,126,000
Ont.	17,863,000	18,078,000	18,934,000	5,342,000	5,394,000	5,649,000
Man.	2,836,000	2,981,000	3,064,000	1,104,000	1,079,000	1,153,000
Sask.	5,299,000	5,030,000	4,544,000	1,807,000	1,691,000	1,545,000
Alta.	3,596,000	3,375,000	3,645,000	1,276,000	1,151,000	1,287,000
B.C.	2,402,000	2,768,000	3,069,000	552,000	620,000	692,000

\* Values are based on prices reported by crop correspondents applied to numbers shown on farms at June 1, 1935 - 37.



III. STOCKS OF POULTRY IN CANADA BY MONTHS 1933-37

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	8,340,739	7,229,732	6,463,090	5,271,911	3,383,085	3,241,140
1934	11,185,513	10,791,484	9,615,128	7,529,540	5,951,594	4,136,640
1935	11,883,323	11,111,280	9,440,022	7,621,389	5,742,842	4,331,589
1936	12,055,251	11,138,380	9,983,832	8,812,214	6,783,167	5,431,885
1937	16,829,115	15,761,082	13,939,429	10,787,878	8,145,899	6,890,061
	July	August	September	October	November	December
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	2,717,070	2,595,935	2,326,545	2,518,601	2,801,883	6,051,500
1934	3,701,554	3,317,123	3,040,166	2,885,751	3,175,868	7,405,048
1935	3,599,102	2,901,426	2,232,036	1,983,850	2,810,900	5,970,871
1936	4,628,886	4,213,133	3,694,090	3,997,416	5,380,982	8,883,048
1937	5,939,415	5,099,530	3,964,037	3,355,145	3,788,470	6,140,316

IV. STOCKS OF CHICKENS IN CANADA BY MONTHS 1933-37

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	2,684,523	2,666,144	2,458,529	1,981,766	1,236,009	990,182
1934	4,207,749	4,354,391	4,131,664	3,236,547	2,280,765	1,573,846
1935	4,708,049	4,663,969	3,906,069	3,042,416	2,188,788	1,567,261
1936	5,734,229	5,273,299	4,777,890	4,321,119	3,367,063	2,515,214
1937	7,647,944	7,119,899	6,153,826	4,138,202	2,503,077	1,818,520
	July	August	September	October	November	December
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	596,086	680,560	454,671	560,079	936,370	2,391,941
1934	1,336,272	1,135,964	910,083	884,481	1,319,055	2,890,903
1935	1,125,996	830,311	496,064	518,053	1,253,783	2,949,226
1936	1,834,586	1,450,313	1,162,556	1,246,883	2,149,811	4,021,503
1937	1,264,968	866,921	534,743	434,223	1,057,404	2,267,111

V. STOCKS OF TURKEYS IN CANADA BY MONTHS 1933-37

	January	February	March	April	May	June
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	2,866,040	2,209,097	1,959,287	2,246,585	1,449,154	1,579,323
1934	3,968,572	3,743,910	3,395,784	2,667,925	2,160,849	1,651,584
1935	3,625,215	3,351,802	2,957,401	2,574,978	2,062,980	1,709,846
1936	3,184,849	3,280,572	3,269,020	3,061,442	2,454,214	2,232,843
1937	4,463,690	4,425,107	4,132,971	3,662,918	3,237,202	2,963,711
	July	August	September	October	November	December
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	1,353,262	1,128,493	861,042	622,980	274,882	1,048,409
1934	1,517,488	1,247,365	949,556	651,690	164,968	1,663,051
1935	1,474,348	1,118,922	825,394	513,750	192,186	892,626
1936	2,097,410	1,736,875	1,406,986	1,139,061	546,084	1,007,004
1937	2,639,147	2,306,067	1,846,324	1,372,873	715,686	1,304,943



VI. ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION OF POULTRY IN CANADA BY CLASSES 1936 & 1937.

		Hens & Chickens		Turkeys	
		1936	1937	1936	1937
Number on Farms	No.	55,769,300	53,982,900	2,044,700	1,997,900
Elsewhere	"	5,565,000	5,565,000	16,000	16,000
Total	"	61,334,300	59,547,900	2,060,700	2,013,900
Sold or killed	"	36,800,580	35,728,740	1,545,525	1,510,425
Estimated dressed weight	Lb.	184,002,900	178,643,700	18,546,300	18,125,100
Stocks at January 1	"	7,896,438	11,399,911	3,184,849	4,463,690
	"	191,899,338	190,043,611	21,731,149	22,588,790
Estimated Exports	"	3,428,369	9,842,235	1,259,513	1,068,753
	"	188,470,969	180,201,376	20,471,636	21,520,037
Stocks at December 31	"	11,399,911	6,122,873	4,463,690	4,113,029
Total Consumption	"	177,071,058	174,078,503	16,007,946	17,407,008
Population	No.	11,028,000	11,120,000	11,028,000	11,120,000
Consumption per capita	Lb.	16.06	15.65	1.45	1.57

		Ducks		Geese	
		1936	1937	1936	1937
Number on Farms	No.	670,500	654,400	854,900	874,900
Elsewhere	"	74,000	74,000	20,000	20,000
Total	"	744,500	728,400	874,900	894,900
Sold or killed	"	595,600	582,720	699,920	715,920
Estimated dressed weight	Lb.	3,275,800	3,204,960	6,999,200	7,159,200
Stocks at January 1	"	154,890	171,817	199,777	159,232
	"	3,430,690	3,376,777	7,198,977	7,318,432
Estimated Exports	"	109,523	121,327	121,912	72,051
	"	3,321,167	3,255,450	7,077,065	7,246,381
Stocks at December 31	"	171,817	95,096	159,232	70,206
Total Consumption	"	3,149,350	3,160,354	6,917,833	7,176,176
Population	No.	11,028,000	11,120,000	11,028,000	11,120,000
Consumption per capita	Lb.	.29	.28	.63	.65

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF POULTRY CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA

	Hens & Chickens	Turkeys	Ducks	Geese	Total
	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
1933	11.07	1.63	.43	.82	14.00
1934	13.89	1.85	.38	.79	16.91
1935	15.83	1.69	.32	.67	18.51
1936	16.06	1.45	.29	.63	18.43
1937	15.65	1.57	.28	.65	18.15



VII. PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF FARM EGGS IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1936 AND 1937

Province	Year	Number of Laying Hens	Production of Eggs per Hen	Number of Eggs Produced	Price per Dozen	Value
				Doz.	¢	\$
Prince Edward Island	1936	448,000	92	3,435,000	18	618,000
	1937	428,000	91	3,246,000	17	552,000
Nova Scotia	1936	527,000	92	4,040,000	23	929,000
	1937	519,000	93	4,022,000	21	845,000
New Brunswick	1936	598,000	94	4,684,000	21	984,000
	1937	573,000	94	4,489,000	20	898,000
Quebec	1936	3,428,000	114	32,566,000	20	6,513,000
	1937	3,431,000	116	33,166,000	19	6,302,000
Ontario	1936	8,286,000	121	83,550,000	21	17,545,000
	1937	8,210,000	120	82,100,000	19.5	16,010,000
Manitoba	1936	1,896,000	104	16,432,000	15.5	2,547,000
	1937	1,915,000	104	16,597,000	15	2,490,000
Saskatchewan	1936	4,365,000	99	36,011,000	13.5	4,861,000
	1937	4,330,000	98	35,362,000	13.5	4,774,000
Alberta	1936	2,757,000	100	22,975,000	13	2,987,000
	1937	2,972,000	99	24,519,000	12	2,942,000
British Columbia	1936	1,493,000	127	15,801,000	24	3,792,000
	1937	1,483,000	129	15,942,000	23	3,667,000
CANADA	1936	23,798,000	111	219,494,000	18.5	40,776,000
	1937	23,861,000	110	219,443,000	17.5	38,480,000

VIII. PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF FARM EGGS IN CANADA, 1928-1937.

Year	Egg Producing Hens on Farms	Average Production Per Hen	Total Eggs Produced	Average Value per Dozen	Total Value of Eggs Produced.
	No.	No.	Dozen	Cents	\$
1928	28,072,500	95	222,241,000	31	68,895,000
1929	28,641,500	95	226,745,000	30	68,023,500
1930	29,052,600	95	230,030,000	27	62,100,000
1931	25,407,000	112	237,131,000	17	40,312,000
1932	24,806,600	111	229,461,000	13	29,830,000
1933	24,922,000	107	222,254,000	12	27,577,000
1934	24,688,000	108	223,272,000	15	34,454,000
1935	24,594,000	109	223,540,000	17	37,763,000
1936	23,798,000	111	219,494,000	18.5	40,776,000
1937	23,861,000	110	219,443,000	17.5	38,480,000



IX. STOCKS OF COLD STORAGE EGGS IN CANADA BY MONTHS 1933-1937.

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June
	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.
1933	1,258,124	433,172	87,763	278,973	4,041,345	11,507,606
1934	1,251,926	116,133	14,701	137,207	3,115,577	9,970,080
1935	3,481,317	1,767,704	561,697	319,672	2,260,240	6,268,348
1936	1,300,514	525,778	6,270	63,133	2,281,437	6,875,597
1937	1,251,940	933,881	618,867	459,809	3,909,388	8,348,646
	July	August	September	October	November	December
	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.
1933	13,842,930	14,222,153	14,598,148	13,211,740	9,130,467	4,200,545
1934	13,041,996	13,802,873	14,781,361	14,207,035	10,592,905	6,041,390
1935	8,874,930	9,863,585	10,353,874	9,458,803	6,507,563	3,422,659
1936	9,952,401	10,020,668	10,408,502	9,960,063	6,968,948	3,297,077
1937	10,808,462	10,741,141	10,680,906	9,366,729	6,050,315	2,960,773

X. STOCKS OF FRESH EGGS IN CANADA BY MONTHS 1933-1937.

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June
	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.
1933	278,443	654,843	266,932	454,959	632,086	483,881
1934	199,697	137,389	106,439	250,928	610,489	687,135
1935	253,836	311,755	267,341	578,167	699,999	761,067
1936	332,438	429,427	87,358	324,201	621,138	488,861
1937	445,753	996,169	746,924	698,151	660,149	732,637
	July	August	September	October	November	December
	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.
1933	912,606	870,005	773,586	579,630	316,103	191,503
1934	697,665	605,823	692,929	840,484	285,379	291,777
1935	836,174	379,981	439,600	546,986	225,910	289,845
1936	547,393	390,101	602,197	449,964	181,130	192,217
1937	552,233	447,148	548,287	522,865	268,543	401,179

XI. STOCKS OF FROZEN EGGS IN CANADA BY MONTHS 1933-1937.

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1933	3,792,249	3,524,092	3,269,654	2,920,425	2,700,828	3,084,987
1934	2,136,303	1,745,071	1,251,058	921,540	829,746	1,691,619
1935	2,043,016	1,532,618	1,463,113	1,152,966	1,625,547	2,787,239
1936	2,523,083	2,092,926	1,640,511	1,234,497	1,308,177	2,648,134
1937	3,508,822	3,113,098	2,781,165	2,449,063	2,797,443	4,175,548
	July	August	September	October	November	December
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1933	3,310,508	3,322,359	3,467,158	3,190,521	2,805,882	2,513,802
1934	2,450,057	3,071,706	3,350,528	3,333,227	2,835,697	2,377,560
1935	3,849,649	4,216,279	4,238,481	3,947,074	3,441,676	2,995,190
1936	4,217,504	5,099,293	5,208,480	5,023,833	4,414,291	3,936,406
1937	5,721,268	5,969,473	5,577,743	5,106,488	4,446,492	4,016,954



XII. GROSS VALUE OF THE POULTRY PRODUCTION OF CANADA

Year	Value of Poultry on Farms	Value of Eggs Produced on Farms	Total Value
	\$	\$	\$
1928	58,212,000	68,895,000	127,107,000
1929	62,609,000	68,023,500	130,632,500
1930	54,852,000	62,100,000	116,952,000
1931	43,138,000	40,312,000	83,450,000
1932	34,138,000	29,830,000	63,968,000
1933	33,456,000	27,577,000	61,033,000
1934	35,398,000	34,454,000	69,852,000
1935	40,292,000	37,763,000	78,055,000
1936	40,366,000	40,776,000	81,142,000
1937	42,954,000	38,480,000	81,434,000

XIII. ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION OF EGGS IN CANADA PER ANNUM 1934 TO 1937.

		1934	1935	1936	1937
Stocks at January 1	Doz.	2,875,825	5,097,164	3,315,007	4,705,254
Production - Farm	"	223,272,000	223,540,000	219,494,000	219,443,000
- Other	"	20,500,000	20,500,000	20,500,000	20,500,000
Imports	"	1,153,715	364,570	869,593	593,558
	"	247,801,540	249,501,734	244,178,600	245,241,812
Exports	"	2,001,024	1,300,744	1,203,814	1,602,011
	"	245,800,516	248,200,990	242,974,786	243,639,801
Stocks at December 31	"	5,097,164	3,315,007	4,705,254	4,726,693
Total Consumption	"	240,703,352	244,885,983	238,269,532	238,913,108
Population	No.	10,824,000	10,935,000	11,028,000	11,120,000
Consumption per capita	Doz.	22.24	22.39	21.61	21.48



