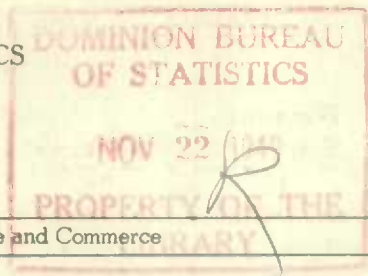




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REPORT ON THE POULTRY SURVEY OF JUNE 1, 1949

Ottawa, Canada, November 21, 1949: The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues to-day the semi-annual Survey estimates of poultry on farms in Canada at June 1, 1949. There was little change from June 1, 1948 in the Canada total of domestic fowl, turkeys, geese and ducks on farms, there being an increase of only one tenth of a per cent. Increases in five provinces ranged from 0.4 to 23.4 per cent, while there were decreases in four provinces.

Total domestic fowl, (i.e. hens, cocks and chickens) for all Canada were 0.9 per cent less than at June last year. The Maritimes and Quebec showed increases over June 1948, but the Prairies and British Columbia all indicated decreases. Layers decreased in all provinces in comparison with both June and December surveys of 1948, the overall Canada decrease being 14.9 per cent from June 1948 and 28.7 per cent from December 1948.

The Canada total of pullets, cocks and cockerels, and chicks under six weeks old on farms on June 1, 1949 was 7.5 per cent greater than last year, although there were provincial variations. Owing to earlier chick production in 1949 the increase was almost all in pullets and cockerels, the chicks under 6 weeks old on June 1 advancing only 0.5 per cent.

Every province reported increases in turkeys, the average increase over June 1948 for the country being 30 per cent.

Although Saskatchewan had a decline in numbers of geese, all other provinces had increases, some of them quite substantial. The total increase over June 1, 1948 for Canada was 15.2 per cent.

There was also an increase of 10.5 per cent in ducks despite decreases in New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario.

These data do not include Newfoundland for which the latest official figures are those of the Census taken as of October 1, 1945. At that time there were 346,428 domestic fowl. Turkeys, geese and ducks were not enumerated.



TABLE 1. TOTAL POULTRY ON FARMS by Provinces June 1, 1949

Province	Domestic	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks	Total Farm Poultry	Per cent of	
	Fowl 1/ No.					No.	No.
						%	%
P. E. I.	1,181,000	15,000	16,000	13,000	1,225,000	123.4	186.7
N. S.	1,902,000	49,000	16,000	12,000	1,979,000	105.8	158.5
N. B.	1,419,000	35,000	14,000	7,000	1,475,000	112.7	182.7
Que.	11,551,000	504,000	20,000	52,000	12,127,000	110.3	189.0
Ont.	23,700,000	600,000	180,000	240,000	24,720,000	97.3	176.0
Man.	6,670,000	338,400	43,300	48,600	7,100,300	96.5	208.6
Sask.	9,043,000	397,000	29,000	53,000	9,522,000	95.6	172.6
Alta.	9,751,000	523,000	97,000	68,000	10,439,000	100.4	208.6
B. C.	3,814,000	225,000	9,000	24,000	4,072,000	94.7	154.9
CANADA	69,031,000	2,686,400	424,300	517,600	72,659,300	100.1	182.9

TABLE 2. DOMESTIC FOWL: Numbers on Farms. June 1, 1949.

By Provinces, with comparative data for June 1, 1948 and December 1, 1948.

Province	June 1, 1949	June 1, 1948	December 1, 1948	June 1, 1949 as per cent of	
				June 1948	Dec. 1948
	No.	No.	No.	%	%
A. TOTAL DOMESTIC FOWL 1/					
Prince Edward Island ..	1,181,000	956,700	612,200	123.4	192.9
Nova Scotia	1,902,000	1,814,500	1,198,900	104.8	158.6
New Brunswick	1,419,000	1,265,000	764,600	112.2	185.6
Quebec	11,551,000	10,605,000	6,128,000	108.9	188.5
Ontario	23,700,000	24,450,000	13,338,000	96.9	177.7
Manitoba	6,670,000	7,034,600	3,126,500	94.8	213.3
Saskatchewan	9,043,000	9,590,000	5,064,600	94.3	178.6
Alberta	9,751,000	9,833,600	4,466,300	99.2	218.3
British Columbia	3,814,000	4,129,000	2,470,000	92.4	154.4
CANADA	69,031,000	69,678,100	37,169,100	99.1	185.7
B. HENS (INCLUDING PULLETS OF LAYING AGE)					
Prince Edward Island ..	445,000	500,000	490,000	89.0	90.8
Nova Scotia	833,000	867,000	1,071,800	96.1	77.7
New Brunswick	479,000	550,000	602,200	87.1	79.5
Quebec	3,701,000	4,430,000	5,325,000	85.6	71.2
Ontario	7,500,000	9,000,000	11,754,000	83.3	63.8
Manitoba	2,043,000	2,294,000	2,557,500	89.1	79.9
Saskatchewan	2,854,000	3,400,000	3,664,600	83.9	77.9
Alberta	2,872,000	3,339,000	3,600,000	86.0	79.8
British Columbia	1,500,000	1,837,000	2,241,000	81.7	66.9
CANADA	22,317,000	26,217,000	31,306,100	85.1	71.3

1/ Hens, cocks and chickens.

TABLE 2. DOMESTIC FOWL. Numbers on Farms June 1, 1949

By Provinces, with comparative data for June 1, 1948

Province	June 1, 1949	June 1, 1948	December 1, 1948	June 1, 1949 as per cent of June 1, 1948
	No.	No.	No.	%
C. FULLETS (NOT OF LAYING AGE)				
Prince Edward Island	257,000	140,000	60,000	183.6
Nova Scotia	434,000	320,000	25,000	135.6
New Brunswick	316,000	257,400	80,000	122.8
Quebec	2,749,000	2,300,000	310,000	119.5
Ontario	7,300,000	6,960,000	571,000	104.9
Manitoba	1,643,000	2,009,600	257,900	81.8
Saskatchewan	1,734,000	1,500,000	750,000	115.6
Alberta	2,188,000	2,320,000	441,600	94.3
British Columbia	1,310,000	1,394,000	83,000	94.0
CANADA	17,931,000	17,201,000	2,578,500	104.2
D. COCKS AND COCKERELS				
Prince Edward Island	180,000	60,000	61,200	300.0
Nova Scotia	228,000	150,500	95,600	151.5
New Brunswick	213,000	162,600	79,800	131.0
Quebec	1,977,000	1,075,000	475,000	183.9
Ontario	3,500,000	2,640,000	837,000	132.6
Manitoba	920,000	792,600	302,100	116.1
Saskatchewan	1,227,000	1,090,000	620,000	112.6
Alberta	1,265,000	1,174,600	410,000	107.7
British Columbia	410,000	343,000	88,000	119.5
CANADA	9,920,000	7,488,300	2,968,700	132.5
E. CHICKS (UNDER 6 WEEKS OLD)				
Prince Edward Island	299,000	256,700	1,000	116.5
Nova Scotia	407,000	477,000	6,500	85.3
New Brunswick	411,000	295,000	2,600	139.3
Quebec	3,034,000	2,800,000	18,000	108.4
Ontario	5,400,000	5,850,000	176,000	92.3
Manitoba	2,064,000	1,938,400	9,000	106.5
Saskatchewan	3,228,000	3,600,000	30,000	89.7
Alberta	3,426,000	3,000,000	14,700	114.2
British Columbia	594,000	555,000	58,000	107.0
CANADA	18,863,000	18,772,100	315,800	100.5



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TABLE 3. OTHER POULTRY ON FARMS, by Provinces, June 1, 1949

With comparative data for June 1, 1948 and December 1, 1948

Province	June 1, 1949	June 1, 1948	December 1, 1948	June 1, 1949 as per cent of	
				June 1, 1948	December 1, 1948
	No.	No.	No.	%	%
<u>A. TURKEYS</u>					
Prince Edward Island	15,000	13,000	12,500	115.4	120.0
Nova Scotia	49,000	43,200	35,800	113.4	136.9
New Brunswick	35,000	27,000	30,000	129.6	116.7
Quebec	504,000	316,000	250,800	159.5	201.0
Ontario	600,000	530,000	372,000	113.2	161.3
Manitoba	338,400	252,600	221,200	134.0	153.0
Saskatchewan	397,000	300,000	359,500	132.3	110.4
Alberta	523,000	437,000	426,900	119.7	122.5
British Columbia	225,000	147,000	143,000	152.1	157.3
CANADA	2,686,400	2,065,800	1,851,700	130.0	145.1
<u>B. GEESE</u>					
Prince Edward Island	16,000	12,000	13,400	133.3	119.4
Nova Scotia	16,000	8,000	8,100	200.0	197.5
New Brunswick	14,000	9,500	6,500	147.4	215.4
Quebec	20,000	16,000	17,900	125.0	111.7
Ontario	180,000	170,000	169,000	105.9	106.5
Manitoba	43,300	35,800	28,800	120.9	150.3
Saskatchewan	29,000	32,000	36,200	90.6	80.1
Alberta	97,000	77,000	64,000	126.0	151.6
British Columbia	9,000	8,000	7,000	112.5	128.6
CANADA	424,300	368,300	350,900	115.2	120.9
<u>C. DUCKS</u>					
Prince Edward Island	13,000	11,000	18,000	118.2	72.2
Nova Scotia	12,000	5,000	5,500	240.0	218.2
New Brunswick	7,000	7,300	6,300	95.9	111.1
Quebec	52,000	57,000	19,000	91.2	273.7
Ontario	240,000	245,000	168,000	98.0	142.9
Manitoba	48,600	36,500	28,600	133.2	169.9
Saskatchewan	53,000	40,000	55,400	132.5	95.7
Alberta	68,000	52,600	46,000	129.3	147.8
British Columbia	24,000	14,000	8,000	171.4	300.0
CANADA	517,600	468,400	354,800	110.5	145.9