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REPORT ON THE POULTRY SURVEY OF JUNE 1, 1958

These estimates of poultry numbers on farms in Canada ^{1/} at June 1 are based on farmers' replies in the semi-annual mail survey, and were prepared in co-operation with Provincial Officials.

This report also contains a revised series of semi-annual estimates of poultry numbers on farms during the intercensal period, 1951 to 1955. These figures now supersede all previously published estimates for the indicated areas and dates. The revisions have been made in line with the policy of accepting Census counts of poultry as beginning and ending benchmarks and modifying the original estimates to conform to these criteria.

Total poultry on farms at June 1, 1958, estimated at 82,624,000 birds, showed a 7 per cent increase from the 77,168,000 on hand at the same date last year. The estimate for June 1, 1958 is composed of 75,730,000 hens and chickens; 6,157,000 turkeys; 318,000 geese; and 419,000 ducks.

The estimate of 75,730 total hens and chickens is 6 per cent higher than the June 1957 estimate of 71,237,000. Nova Scotia showed an increase of 7 per cent in the number of hens and chickens on farms; Ontario had an increase of 12 per cent, and Manitoba an increase of 10 per cent while all the other provinces except Prince Edward Island showed moderate increases. Prince Edward Island had 3 per cent less hens and chickens than last year.

There were 4,493,000 more hens and chickens on farms at June 1, 1958 than at June 1, 1957. Chicks under 2 months old, at 34,605,000 exceeded the June 1, 1957 estimate by 4,500,000 largely reflecting expanding broiler production. While there was an increase of 75,000 hens over 6 months old and an increase of 384,000 cocks and cockerels over 2 months old these increases were more than offset by a decrease of 466,000 pullets. Of the total hens and chickens on farms at June 1, 31 per cent were hens and pullets over 6 months old; 15 per cent were pullets, 2 to 6 months old; 8 per cent were cocks and cockerels; and 46 per cent were chicks under 2 months of age.

A 17 per cent increase in turkeys, which are estimated at 6,157,000 as compared to 5,242,000 at June 1, 1957 was due to a marked increase in all provinces except British Columbia (a decrease of 2 per cent occurred in B.C.). The number of geese on farms increased by 8 per cent from 295,000 at June 1, 1957 to 318,000 at June 1, 1958 while the number of ducks increased by 6 per cent from 394,000 to 419,000.

^{1/} Current estimates for Newfoundland are not available. The Census of June 1, 1956 reports 108,707 head of poultry on farms. By class, the number reported was: hens and chickens, 105,783; turkeys, 2,084; geese, 307; ducks, 533. Elsewhere than on farms there were 180,041 hens and chickens and 2,910 other poultry.

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TABLE 1. TOTAL POULTRY ON FARMS IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, AT JUNE 1, 1958

Province	Hens and Chickens	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks	Total	June 1, 1958 as a per cent of June 1, 1957
						%
- thousand birds -						
Prince Edward Island	745	12	9	6	772	97
Nova Scotia	1,960	75	2	1	2,038	108
New Brunswick	1,125	55	4	2	1,186	104
Quebec	11,310	670	12	46	12,038	101
Ontario	31,165	1,950	110	130	33,355	112
Manitoba	6,980	950	42	44	8,016	111
Saskatchewan	8,300	1,145	50	70	9,565	105
Alberta	9,800	975	78	90	10,943	102
British Columbia	4,345	325	11	30	4,711	103
CANADA	75,730	6,157	318	419	82,624	107

TABLE 2. HENS AND CHICKENS: NUMBERS ON FARMS, BY PROVINCES, AT JUNE 1, 1958

	June 1, 1958	June 1, 1957	June 1, 1958 as a per cent of June 1, 1957
	- thousand birds -		%
A. Total Hens and Chickens			
Prince Edward Island	745	770	97
Nova Scotia	1,960	1,832	107
New Brunswick	1,125	1,090	103
Quebec	11,310	11,300	100
Ontario	31,165	27,825	112
Manitoba	6,980	6,350	110
Saskatchewan	8,300	8,100	102
Alberta	9,800	9,750	101
British Columbia	4,345	4,220	103
CANADA	75,730	71,237	106
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B. Hens and Pullets, 6 Months Old and Over			
Prince Edward Island	370	375	99
Nova Scotia	900	810	111
New Brunswick	395	430	92
Quebec	3,325	3,500	95
Ontario	8,910	8,900	100
Manitoba	2,215	2,150	103
Saskatchewan	2,650	2,655	100
Alberta	3,010	2,900	104
British Columbia	1,720	1,700	101
CANADA	23,495	23,420	100

TABLE 2. (CONCL'D) HENS AND CHICKENS: NUMBERS ON FARMS, BY PROVINCES, AT JUNE 1, 1958

Province	June 1, 1958	June 1, 1957	June 1, 1958 as a per cent of June 1, 1957
	- thousand birds -		%
<u>C. Pullets, 2 Months to 6 Months Old</u>			
Prince Edward Island	66	80	82
Nova Scotia	470	587	80
New Brunswick	215	185	116
Quebec	1,735	1,700	102
Ontario	5,965	6,250	95
Manitoba	765	725	106
Saskatchewan	475	445	107
Alberta	1,340	1,225	109
British Columbia	750	1,050	71
CANADA	11,781	12,247	96
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<u>D. Cocks and Cockerels 2 Months and Over</u>			
Prince Edward Island	24	25	96
Nova Scotia	50	60	83
New Brunswick	90	95	95
Quebec	1,250	1,200	104
Ontario	2,290	2,275	101
Manitoba	520	375	139
Saskatchewan	475	400	119
Alberta	950	875	109
British Columbia	200	160	125
CANADA	5,849	5,465	107
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<u>E. Chicks Under 2 Months</u>			
Prince Edward Island	285	290	98
Nova Scotia	540	375	144
New Brunswick	425	380	112
Quebec	5,000	4,900	102
Ontario	14,000	10,400	135
Manitoba	3,480	3,100	112
Saskatchewan	4,700	4,600	102
Alberta	4,500	4,750	95
British Columbia	1,675	1,310	128
CANADA	34,605	30,105	115

TABLE 3. TURKEYS, GEESE AND DUCKS: NUMBERS ON FARMS, BY PROVINCES, AT JUNE 1, 1958

Province	June 1, 1958	June 1, 1957	June 1, 1958 as a per cent of June 1, 1957
	- thousand birds -		%
<u>TURKEYS</u>			
Prince Edward Island	12	11	109
Nova Scotia	75	56	134
New Brunswick	55	42	131
Quebec	670	610	110
Ontario	1,950	1,650	118
Manitoba	950	780	122
Saskatchewan	1,145	900	127
Alberta	975	860	113
British Columbia	325	333	98
CANADA	6,157	5,242	117
<u>G E E S E</u>			
Prince Edward Island	9	9	100
Nova Scotia	2	2	100
New Brunswick	4	4	100
Quebec	12	10	120
Ontario	110	96	115
Manitoba	42	34	124
Saskatchewan	50	48	104
Alberta	78	80	98
British Columbia	11	12	92
CANADA	318	295	108
<u>D U C K S</u>			
Prince Edward Island	6	6	100
Nova Scotia	1	1	100
New Brunswick	2	2	100
Quebec	46	40	115
Ontario	130	124	105
Manitoba	44	40	110
Saskatchewan	70	67	104
Alberta	90	90	100
British Columbia	30	24	125
CANADA	419	394	106

TABLE 4. INTERCENSAL REVISION OF JUNE ESTIMATES OF POULTRY NUMBERS 1951 to 1955
(in thousands)

	Total Hens & Chickens	Hens & Pullets Over 6 mos.	Pullets 6 wks. to 6 mos.	Cocks & Cockerels Over 6 wks.	Chicks up to 6 wks.	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks
<u>P. E. I.</u>								
	<u>J U N E</u>							
1951	978	382	165	114	317	16.	20.3	15.3
1952	900	400	165	75	260	18	20	12
1953	810	380	130	50	250	17	14	7
1954	840	390	115	50	285	15	10	5
1955	780	400	73	32	275	8	10	8

<u>N. S.</u>								
1951	1,630	545	626	156	303	30.7	5.3	3.9
1952	1,680	600	750	100	230	28	5	4
1953	1,760	720	725	65	250	35	5	3
1954	1,890	760	745	100	285	37	4	3
1955	1,795	740	665	90	300	37	4	3

<u>N. B.</u>								
1951	1,231	426	303	178	324	41.5	5.9	4.9
1952	1,040	455	155	110	320	46	4	4
1953	1,020	445	150	75	350	53	5	3
1954	1,185	410	245	100	430	57	4	2
1955	1,110	455	235	100	320	43	5	2

<u>Que.</u>								
1951	10,090	3,010	2,994	1,695	2,391	423	14	50
1952	9,888	3,401	2,687	1,720	2,080	535	14	49
1953	10,090	3,070	2,620	1,740	2,660	455	14	53
1954	11,624	3,582	3,000	2,087	2,955	590	15	56
1955	9,989	3,371	2,240	1,658	2,720	545	13	57

<u>Ont.</u>								
1951	23,767	6,838	7,709	3,810	5,410	666	139	165
1952	21,600	7,080	6,000	2,070	6,450	800	131	165
1953	25,445	7,320	7,600	3,425	7,100	735	135	175
1954	27,400	7,500	8,200	3,500	8,200	925	118	130
1955	25,190	7,300	7,420	3,100	7,370	1,065	101	150

TABLE 4. INTERCENSAL REVISION OF DECEMBER ESTIMATES OF POULTRY NUMBERS 1951 to 1955
(in thousands)

	Total Hens & Chickens	Hens & Pullets Over 6 mos.	Pullets 6 wks. to 6 mos.	Cocks & Cockerels Over 6 wks.	Chicks up to 6 wks.	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks
<u>P.E.I.</u>								
<u>D E C E M B E R</u>								
1951	690	370	197	120	3	17	20	17
1952	600	395	139	60	6	11	16	14
1953	570	345	145	75	5	15	15	10
1954	590	360	152	75	3	19	12	8
1955	545	335	140	65	5	12	11	11

<u>N.S.</u>								
1951	1,160	770	220	120	50	31	5	3
1952	1,450	815	320	190	125	30	5	3
1953	1,440	935	205	75	225	30	5	2
1954	1,570	990	300	140	140	25	4	3
1955	1,470	1,080	185	70	135	26	4	3

<u>N.B.</u>								
1951	820	515	200	100	5	40	6	4
1952	720	520	135	60	5	42	4	4
1953	735	535	115	70	15	45	4	3
1954	770	530	150	75	15	47	5	2
1955	710	495	120	60	35	40	5	2

<u>Que.</u>								
1951	6,370	3,822	1,452	796	300	406	13	47
1952	6,130	3,700	1,310	760	360	575	13	50
1953	6,600	3,470	1,180	700	1,250	506	12	46
1954	6,970	3,940	1,430	860	740	510	12	60
1955	6,890	3,607	1,123	680	1,480	515	11	40

<u>Ont.</u>								
1951	14,950	10,300	2,150	1,600	900	440	130	175
1952	14,260	10,690	1,500	1,320	750	760	140	175
1953	17,300	10,830	2,050	2,820	1,600	700	125	160
1954	18,080	11,250	2,000	3,630	1,200	830	115	125
1955	17,885	10,950	2,000	2,635	2,300	700	110	130

TABLE 4. INTERCENSAL REVISION OF JUNE ESTIMATES OF POULTRY NUMBERS 1951 to 1955
(in thousands)

	Total Hens & Chickens	Hens & Pullets Over 6 mos.	Pullets 6 wks. to 6 mos.	Cocks & Cockerels Over 6 wks.	Chicks up to 6 wks.	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks
<u>Man.</u>								
	<u>J U N E</u>							
1951	6,458	1,874	1,357	856	2,371	311	55.9	64.8
1952	6,650	2,080	1,385	835	2,350	435	60	51
1953	6,330	2,100	1,335	735	2,160	370	59	41
1954	6,715	2,040	1,480	945	2,250	510	60	43
1955	5,940	1,930	1,275	685	2,050	550	60	59

<u>Sask.</u>								
1951	8,587	2,592	1,180	912	3,903	400	34	51
1952	8,587	2,722	1,110	955	3,800	587	43	74
1953	7,728	2,696	980	752	3,300	470	45	63
1954	7,642	2,462	940	740	3,500	600	42	62
1955	7,900	2,540	1,170	940	3,250	610	65	80

<u>Alta.</u>								
1951	8,348	2,447	1,808	1,194	2,899	395	64.7	62
1952	5,350	2,520	1,620	1,170	3,040	660	80	96
1953	8,180	2,545	1,805	1,155	2,675	480	78	103
1954	8,350	2,495	1,480	1,075	3,300	635	72	127
1955	8,515	2,640	1,805	1,205	2,865	605	93	138

<u>B.C.</u>								
1951	3,452	1,092	1,385	379	596	243.4	13.7	20.4
1952	3,315	1,265	1,280	240	530	300	21	23
1953	3,555	1,235	1,305	325	690	270	19	26
1954	3,795	1,330	1,515	290	660	320	17	23
1955	3,800	1,385	1,300	265	850	330	17	25

<u>Can.</u>								
1951	64,541	19,206	17,527	9,294	18,514	2,526.6	352.8	437.3
1952	59,010	20,523	15,152	7,275	19,060	3,409	378	478
1953	64,918	20,511	16,650	8,322	19,435	2,885	374	474
1954	69,441	20,969	17,720	8,887	21,865	3,689	342	451
1955	65,019	20,761	16,183	8,075	20,000	3,793	368	522



TABLE 4. INTERCENSAL REVISION OF DECEMBER ESTIMATES OF POULTRY NUMBERS 1951 to 1955
(in thousands)

	Total Hens & Chickens	Hens & Pullets Over 6 mos.	Pullets 6 wks. to 6 mos.	Cocks & Cockerels Over 6 wks.	Chicks up to 6 wks.	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks
<u>Man.</u>								
	<u>DECEMBER</u>							
1951	3,490	2,190	850	444	6	220	50	47
1952	3,525	2,350	735	430	10	290	48	33
1953	3,415	2,330	685	392	8	250	48	28
1954	3,560	2,450	675	410	25	255	45	30
1955	3,140	2,315	510	220	95	300	43	27

<u>Sask.</u>								
1951	4,710	2,500	1,480	727	3	360	37	45
1952	4,550	2,500	1,350	696	4	470	50	78
1953	3,710	2,220	1,000	487	3	340	40	62
1954	3,800	2,340	978	480	2	400	42	72
1955	3,885	2,540	940	400	5	335	47	56

<u>Alta.</u>								
1951	4,675	2,885	1,225	535	30	300	62	71
1952	4,425	2,720	1,215	465	25	340	66	100
1953	4,420	2,850	1,120	420	30	325	73	78
1954	4,090	2,770	950	335	35	310	64	93
1955	4,085	2,960	775	270	80	330	73	79

<u>B.C.</u>								
1951	2,245	1,670	295	120	160	234	12	16
1952	2,155	1,660	275	70	150	240	20	17
1953	2,435	1,730	365	120	220	235	16	18
1954	2,435	1,850	275	125	185	250	14	17
1955	2,620	1,665	495	210	250	200	12	18

<u>Can.</u>								
1951	39,110	25,022	8,069	4,562	1,457	2,048	335	425
1952	37,815	25,350	6,979	4,051	1,435	2,758	362	474
1953	40,625	25,245	6,865	5,159	3,356	2,446	338	407
1954	41,865	26,480	6,910	6,130	2,345	2,646	313	410
1955	41,230	25,947	6,288	4,610	4,385	2,458	316	366