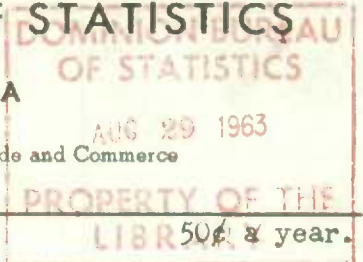


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REPORT ON THE POULTRY SURVEY OF JUNE 1, 1963

The total number of all poultry on farms in Canada <sup>1/</sup> at June 1, 1963 estimated at 73.8 million birds was 2 per cent higher than at June 1, 1962 when the comparable total was 72.2 million birds. The estimate of June 1, 1963 includes 66,530,000 hens and chickens; 6,573,000 turkeys; 309,100 geese and 376,100 ducks.

The estimate of 66.5 million hens and chickens is 2 per cent higher than the June 1962 estimate of 64.9 million. There were fewer 'hens' as well as fewer 'pullets' for layer replacement than a year earlier but these decreases were more than offset by increases in the number of 'chicks' and 'others' (chickens 2 months and older not intended for laying).

The estimated number of turkeys on farms at June 1 was about 1 per cent lower than last year. Increases are indicated in Nova Scotia and Ontario while Prince Edward Island and Manitoba remain unchanged. All other provinces had less. There were 2 per cent fewer ducks on farms than a year ago but the number of geese increased by 9 per cent.

Estimates of poultry numbers on farms are based on semi-annual mailed questionnaire surveys conducted in co-operation with Provincial Government Departments at June 1 and December 1 and on hatchery statistics compiled by the Canada Department of Agriculture. The semi-annual estimates of poultry numbers provide a basis for monthly estimates of number of layers and egg production. Revised monthly estimates of egg production for the period Jan.-June will appear in the July report 'Production of Eggs', Cat. No. 23-003. The 1962 report 'Production of Poultry and Eggs', Cat. No. 23-202 is now available. It covers the period 1941 to 1962 with estimates for 1956-61 being revised to conform with census data.

<sup>1/</sup> Current estimates for Newfoundland are not available. The census of June 1, 1961 reports 231,385 head of poultry on farms. By class, the numbers reported were: hens and chickens, 227,929; turkeys, 2,465; geese, 467; ducks, 521. Elsewhere than on farms there were 61,003 hens and chickens and 1,305 other poultry.

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TABLE 1. POULTRY ON FARMS IN CANADA, BY PROVINCE, AT JUNE 1, 1962 & 1963

	1962 Total	1963					June 1/63 as a % of June 1/62 %
		Hens and Chickens	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks	Total	
			- thousand birds -				
P.E.I.	457.5	435.0	10.0	5.0	1.7	451.7	99
N.S.	2,055.5	2,250.0	45.0	1.0	0.9	2,296.9	112
N.B.	1,097.0	1,050.0	18.0	1.1	0.5	1,069.6	98
Que.	13,367.0	13,255.0	600.0	9.0	64.0	13,928.0	104
Ont.	26,503.0	23,740.0	2,900.0	68.0	130.0	26,838.0	101
Man.	6,530.0	5,700.0	970.0	85.0	20.0	6,775.0	104
Sask.	6,795.0	6,130.0	810.0	40.0	50.0	7,030.0	103
Alta.	9,350.0	8,200.0	765.0	90.0	85.0	9,140.0	98
B.C.	6,074.0	5,770.0	455.0	10.0	24.0	6,259.0	103
CANADA	72,229.0	66,530.0	6,573.0	309.1	376.1	73,788.2	102

TABLE 2. HENS AND CHICKENS ON FARMS, BY PROVINCE, AT JUNE 1, 1962 & 1963

	June 1, 1962		June 1, 1963	June 1/63 as a % of June 1/62 %
	- thousand birds -			
<b>A. Total Hens and Chickens</b>				
Prince Edward Island	440.0	435.0	99	
Nova Scotia	2,015.0	2,250.0	112	
New Brunswick	1,070.0	1,050.0	98	
Quebec	12,680.0	13,255.0	105	
Ontario	23,485.0	23,740.0	101	
Manitoba	5,465.0	5,700.0	104	
Saskatchewan	5,850.0	6,130.0	105	
Alberta	8,370.0	8,200.0	98	
British Columbia	5,540.0	5,770.0	104	
CANADA	64,915.0	66,530.0	102	
<b>B. Hens - Laying hens and pullets, 6 months old or older</b>				
Prince Edward Island	228.0	240.0	105	
Nova Scotia	930.0	1,050.0	113	
New Brunswick	470.0	472.0	100	
Quebec	3,600.0	3,305.0	92	
Ontario	9,260.0	8,700.0	94	
Manitoba	2,135.0	2,055.0	96	
Saskatchewan	1,745.0	1,690.0	97	
Alberta	2,400.0	2,170.0	90	
British Columbia	2,255.0	2,420.0	107	
CANADA	23,023.0	22,102.0	96	

TABLE 2. HENS AND CHICKENS ON FARMS, BY PROVINCE, AT JUNE 1, 1962 & 1963 (CONCL'D)

	June 1, 1962	June 1, 1963	June 1/63 as a % of June 1/62
	- thousand birds -		%
<b>C. <u>Pullets</u> - Pullets, 2 months to 6 months old intended for laying</b>			
Prince Edward Island	60.0	64.0	107
Nova Scotia	225.0	210.0	93
New Brunswick	140.0	137.0	98
Quebec	925.0	835.0	90
Ontario	2,475.0	2,400.0	97
Manitoba	555.0	630.0	114
Saskatchewan	365.0	385.0	105
Alberta	900.0	855.0	95
British Columbia	710.0	710.0	100
<b>CANADA</b>	<b>6,355.0</b>	<b>6,226.0</b>	<b>98</b>
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<b>D. <u>Chicks</u> - Chicks under 2 months old</b>			
Prince Edward Island	138.0	118.0	86
Nova Scotia	800.0	850.0	106
New Brunswick	430.0	405.0	94
Quebec	7,335.0	8,310.0	113
Ontario	10,680.0	11,440.0	107
Manitoba	2,535.0	2,665.0	105
Saskatchewan	3,430.0	3,710.0	108
Alberta	4,360.0	4,445.0	102
British Columbia	2,300.0	2,275.0	99
<b>CANADA</b>	<b>32,008.0</b>	<b>34,218.0</b>	<b>107</b>
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<b>E. <u>Others</u> - All chickens, 2 months and older not intended for laying</b>			
Prince Edward Island	14.0	13.0	93
Nova Scotia	60.0	140.0	233
New Brunswick	30.0	36.0	120
Quebec	820.0	805.0	98
Ontario	1,070.0	1,200.0	112
Manitoba	240.0	350.0	146
Saskatchewan	310.0	345.0	111
Alberta	710.0	730.0	103
British Columbia	275.0	365.0	133
<b>CANADA</b>	<b>3,529.0</b>	<b>3,984.0</b>	<b>113</b>



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TABLE 3. TURKEYS, GEESE AND DUCKS ON FARMS, BY PROVINCE, AT JUNE 1, 1962 & 1963

	June 1, 1962	June 1, 1963	June 1/63 as a % of June 1/62
	- thousand birds -		%
<u>TURKEYS</u>			
Prince Edward Island	10.0	10.0	100
Nova Scotia	38.0	45.0	118
New Brunswick	25.0	18.0	72
Quebec	625.0	600.0	96
Ontario	2,800.0	2,900.0	104
Manitoba	970.0	970.0	100
Saskatchewan	860.0	810.0	94
Alberta	820.0	765.0	93
British Columbia	500.0	455.0	91
CANADA	6,648.0	6,573.0	99
<u>G E E S E</u>			
Prince Edward Island	5.5	5.0	91
Nova Scotia	1.3	1.0	77
New Brunswick	1.2	1.1	92
Quebec	8.0	9.0	112
Ontario	68.0	68.0	100
Manitoba	70.0	85.0	121
Saskatchewan	40.0	40.0	100
Alberta	80.0	90.0	112
British Columbia	9.0	10.0	111
CANADA	283.0	309.1	109
<u>D U C K S</u>			
Prince Edward Island	2.0	1.7	85
Nova Scotia	1.2	0.9	75
New Brunswick	0.8	0.5	62
Quebec	54.0	64.0	119
Ontario	150.0	130.0	87
Manitoba	25.0	20.0	80
Saskatchewan	45.0	50.0	111
Alberta	80.0	85.0	106
British Columbia	25.0	24.0	96
CANADA	383.0	376.1	98