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### REPORT ON THE POULTRY SURVEY OF DECEMBER 1, 1967

### RAPPORT SUR L'ENQUÊTE DU 1<sup>er</sup> DECEMBRE 1967 SUR L'AVICULTURE

Estimates of the number of poultry on farms in Canada(1) at December 1, 1967 are based on farmers' replies to the semi-annual farm survey and the Census count in 1966 together with hatchery data available through the Canada Department of Agriculture. The series of estimates previously published for June and December from 1961 to 1965 are not directly comparable to these data for 1966 and 1967. Revision of the estimates for the intercensal period will be published at a later date. The semi-annual estimates of poultry numbers provide a basis for monthly estimates of number of layers and egg production. Revised estimates of production for 1966 and 1967 will appear in the February report "Production of Eggs", Cat. No. 23-003.

Les estimations du nombre de volailles dans les fermes du Canada(1) au 1<sup>er</sup> décembre 1967 sont basées sur les réponses des cultivateurs à l'enquête agricole semestrielle et sur le Recensement de 1966, en plus des données sur les couvoirs obtenues par l'entremise du ministère canadien de l'Agriculture. Les séries d'estimations publiées antérieurement pour juin et décembre, de 1961 à 1965, ne sont pas directement comparables aux présentes données sur 1966 et 1967. Les estimations revisées pour la période intercensale seront publiées plus tard. Les estimations semestrielles du nombre de volailles fournissent une base pour les estimations mensuelles du nombre de pondeuses et de la production d'oeufs. Les estimations revisées de la production de 1966 et de 1967 apparaîtront dans le rapport de février intitulé "Production d'oeufs" (No. de cat. 23-003).

Starting with December 1, 1967 the categories of hens and chickens have been revised. The new categories are (1) hens and pullets 5 months and over, (2) pullets under 5 months (3) cocks and cockerels excluding broilers, (4) broilers. Lacking previous figures for pullets, cockerels, and broilers the estimates for these three categories have been grouped together in this publication.

The total number of all poultry on farms in Canada(1) at December 1, 1967 is estimated at 66.0 million birds, down 4 per cent from the 68.9 million at December 1, 1966. The December 1, 1967 estimate includes 61,443,000 hens and chickens; 4,119,000 turkeys; 177,900 geese and 236,600 ducks. The estimate of 61.4 million hens and chickens is 4 per cent lower than the 63.8 million at December 1, 1966.

The number of turkeys on farms at December 1 was 11 per cent lower than last year. The number of turkeys on farms increased in P.E.I., N.S., N.B. and B.C. but this was more than offset by decreases in the other provinces.

- (1) Current estimates for Newfoundland are not available. The Census of June 1, 1966 reports 422,524 head of poultry on farms. By class, the numbers reported were: hens and chickens, 417,836; turkeys, 3,264; geese, 966; ducks, 458.

- (1) On ne possède pas d'estimation courante pour Terre-Neuve. Lors du recensement du 1<sup>er</sup> juin 1966, on a dénombré 422,524 volailles dans les fermes. Par catégorie, les chiffres déclarés étaient: poules et poulets, 417,836; dinde, 3,264; oies, 966; canards, 458.

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TABLE 1. Poultry on Farms in Canada, by Province, as at December 1, 1966-67

TABLEAU 1. Volailles dans les fermes au Canada, par province, 1<sup>er</sup> décembre 1966-67

	1966		1967				1967 as % 1966
	Total	Hens and Chickens	Turkeys	Geese	Ducks		
	Total de 1966	Poules et poulets	Dindes	Oies	Canards		
'000							
P.E.I. — I.P.É..	278.0	254.0	4.0	5.0	4.0	267.0	96
N.S. — N.E. ....	2,246.0	2,134.0	50.0	1.0	1.1	2,186.1	97
N.B. — N.B. ....	1,192.0	1,155.0	55.0	0.9	0.5	1,211.4	102
Que. — Qué. ....	20,070.0	17,170.0	830.0	8.0	54.0	18,062.0	90
Ont. — Ont. ....	25,704.0	22,390.0	2,400.0	50.0	115.0	24,955.0	97
Man. — Man. ....	4,975.0	5,140.0	170.0	50.0	20.0	5,380.0	108
Sask. — Sask. ...	2,375.0	2,060.0	70.0	20.0	12.0	2,162.0	91
Alta. — Alb. ...	5,080.0	4,820.0	200.0	35.0	20.0	5,075.0	100
B.C. — C.-B. ...	6,972.0	6,320.0	340.0	8.0	10.0	6,678.0	96
Total .....	68,892.0	61,443.0	4,119.0	177.9	236.6	65,976.5	96

TABLE 2. Hens and Chickens on Farms, by Province, as at December 1, 1966-67

TABLEAU 2. Poules et poulets dans les fermes, par province, 1<sup>er</sup> décembre 1966-67

	Dec. 1, 1966	June 1, 1967	Dec. 1, 1967	1967 as % 1966
	—	—	—	—
	1 <sup>er</sup> déc. 1966	1 <sup>er</sup> juin 1967	1 <sup>er</sup> déc. 1967	1967 en % de 1966
'000				
A. Total hens and chickens				
<u>Total — poules et poulets</u>				

P.E.I. — I.P.É..	267.0	334.0	254.0	95
N.S. — N.-E. ...	2,225.0	2,724.0	2,134.0	96
N.B. — N.B. ....	1,150.0	1,354.0	1,155.0	100
Que. — Qué. ....	18,920.0	19,985.0	17,170.0	91
Ont. — Ont. ....	22,920.0	27,350.0	22,390.0	98
Man. — Man. ....	4,665.0	6,330.0	5,140.0	110
Sask. - Sask. ...	2,250.0	5,750.0	2,060.0	92
Alta. — Alb. ...	4,790.0	8,400.0	4,820.0	101
B.C. — C.-B. ...	6,640.0	7,925.0	6,320.0	95
Total .....	63,827.0	80,152.0	61,443.0	96

TABLE 2. Hens and Chickens on Farms, by Province, at December 1, 1966-67 - Concl.

TABLEAU 2. Poules et poulets dans les fermes, par province, 1<sup>er</sup> décembre  
1966-67-suite

	Dec. 1, 1966	June 1, 1967	Dec. 1 1967	1967 as % 1966
	1 <sup>er</sup> déc. 1966	1 <sup>er</sup> juin 1967	1 <sup>er</sup> déc. 1967	1967 en % de 1966
	'000			%
B. Hens and Pullets, 5 months and over:				
Poules et poulettes, 5 mois et plus:				
P.E.I. — I.P.É. ....	230.0	185.0	213.0	93
N.S. — N.-E. ....	1,025.0	1,037.0	1,010.0	99
N.B. — N.-B. ....	550.0	464.0	520.0	95
Que. — Qué. ....	4,920.0	4,600.0	4,950.0	101
Ont. — Ont. ....	9,870.0	9,450.0	10,400.0	105
Man. — Man. ....	2,795.0	2,695.0	3,370.0	121
Sask. — Sask. ....	1,700.0	1,360.0	1,535.0	90
Alta. — Alb. ....	2,810.0	2,371.0	2,850.0	101
B.C. — C.-B. ....	2,927.0	2,935.0	3,220.0	110
Total ....	26,827	25,097	28,068	105

C. Others(1): — Autres(1)

P.E.I. — I.P.É. ....	37.0	149.0	41.0	111
N.S. — N.-E. ....	1,200.0	1,687.0	1,124.0	94
N.B. — N.-B. ....	600.0	890.0	635.0	106
Que. — Qué. ....	14,000.0	15,385.0	12,220.0	87
Ont. — Ont. ....	13,050.0	17,900.0	11,990.0	92
Man. — Man. ....	1,870.0	3,635.0	1,770.0	95
Sask. — Sask. ....	550.0	4,390.0	525.0	95
Alta. — Alb. ....	1,980.0	6,029.0	1,970.0	99
B.C. — C.-B. ....	3,713.0	4,990.0	3,100.0	83
Total ....	37,000.0	55,055.0	33,375.0	90

(1) Includes (a) pullets under 5 months (b) Cocks and cockerels and (c) broilers.

(1) Inclus (a) les poulettes moins de 5 mois, (b) coqs et coqs poussins et (c) les poulets gril chair.



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TABLE 3. Turkeys, Geese and Ducks on Farms, by Province, at December 1, 1966-67

TABLEAU 3. Dindes, Oies et Canards dans les fermes, par province, 1<sup>er</sup> décembre 1966-67

	Dec. 1, 1966	June 1, 1967	Dec. 1, 1967	1967 as % 1966
	1 <sup>er</sup> déc. 1966	1 <sup>er</sup> juin 1967	1 <sup>er</sup> déc. 1967	1967 en % de 1966
	'000			
<b>A. Turkeys: — Dindes:</b>				
P.E.I. — I.P.E. ....	3.0	4.5	4.0	133
N.S. — N.-E. ....	19.0	67.0	50.0	263
N.B. — N.-B. ....	40.0	51.0	55.0	138
Que. — Qué. ....	1,100.0	1,540.0	830.0	75
Ont. — Ont. ....	2,600.0	3,800.0	2,400.0	92
Man. — Man. ....	240.0	925.0	170.0	71
Sask. — Sask. ....	95.0	670.0	70.0	74
Alta. — Alb. ....	230.0	1,100.0	200.0	87
B.C. — C.-B. ....	315.0	600.0	340.0	108
Total .....	4,642.0	8,757.5	4,119.0	89
<b>B. Geese: — Oies:</b>				
P.E.I. — I.P.E. ....	5.0	4.8	5.0	100
N.S. — N.-E. ....	1.0	1.5	1.0	100
N.B. — N.-B. ....	1.0	1.0	0.9	90
Que. — Qué. ....	7.0	7.0	8.0	114
Ont. — Ont. ....	59.0	57.0	50.0	85
Man. — Man. ....	50.0	135.0	50.0	100
Sask. — Sask. ....	15.0	40.0	20.0	133
Alta. — Alb. ....	40.0	80.0	35.0	88
B.C. — C.-B. ....	8.0	10.0	8.0	100
Total .....	186.0	336.3	177.9	96
<b>C. Ducks: — Canards</b>				
P.E.I. — I.P.E. ....	3.0	2.8	4.0	133
N.S. — N.-E. ....	1.0	0.9	1.1	110
N.B. — N.-B. ....	1.0	0.8	0.5	50
Que. — Qué. ....	43.0	59.0	54.0	126
Ont. — Ont. ....	125.0	126.0	115.0	92
Man. — Man. ....	20.0	30.0	20.0	100
Sask. — Sask. ....	15.0	70.0	12.0	80
Alta. — Alb. ....	20.0	85.0	20.0	100
B.C. — C.-B. ....	9.0	22.0	10.0	111
Total .....	237.0	396.5	236.6	100