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## STOCKS OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

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APPLES: Canadian apples held in cold and common storage were 3,814,000 bushels compared with 4,028,000 bushels last year.

PEARS: There were 24,000 bushels of pears on hand at March 1, 1968.

### FRUIT, FROZEN AND IN PRESERVATIVES:

There were 5,908,000 lb. of fruit in "Containers 1 lb. and Under", as against 30,345,000 lb. in "Containers Over 1 lb."

The stocks of fruit in sulphur dioxide, etc. totalled 9,165,000 lb. A year ago they amounted to 11,038,000 lb. and last month 9,472,000 lb. The total of all fruit frozen and in preservatives was 45,418,000 lb. as compared with 50,828,000 lb. last year and 47,743,000 lb. last month.

VEGETABLES: Stocks of potatoes were 12,708,000 hundredweight, as compared with 19,549,000 hundredweight last year. Stocks of onions were reported as 564,000 bushels as compared with 417,000 bushels last year. Stocks of carrots amounted to 106,000 bushels as compared with 318,000 bushels last year. Stocks of cabbage decreased to 37,000 bushels from 47,000 bushels last year. The inspection services of the Canada Department of Agriculture ceased to collect monthly inventories of celery as of November 1, 1967.

### VEGETABLES, FROZEN AND IN BRINE:

The total stocks of frozen vegetables amounted to 60,144,000 lb. as compared with 53,577,000 lb. last year. Current holdings of frozen vegetables intended for re-manufacture amounted to 6,678,000 lb. There were 13,918,000 lb. of vegetables held in brine as against 12,191,000 lb. last year.

### NOTE AS TO SOURCE AND CONTENT

The data contained in this report represent stocks of fruit and vegetables (fresh, frozen and in preservatives) held by food processors, cold storages, fruit warehouses, wholesalers and in storages of growers in certain areas of commercial production. Inventories of fresh fruit and vegetables are obtained through the inspection services of the Canadian Department of Agriculture.

- (1) See footnotes on page five for information as to specific cities and areas included on stocks of potatoes and other vegetables.

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TABLE 1. Frozen Fruit in Storages and Factories in Canada

|   | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | Feb. 1, 1968<br>revised | March 1,<br>1967 |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| thousand pounds                           |                              |                         |                  |
| <u>Containers 1 lb. and under</u>         |                              |                         |                  |
| Apples .....                              | (1)                          | (1)                     | (1)              |
| Blueberries .....                         | 432                          | 709                     | 44               |
| Cherries .....                            | -                            | -                       | -                |
| Citrus fruit .....                        | 199                          | 175                     | (1)              |
| Plums .....                               | (1)                          | (1)                     | -                |
| Raspberries .....                         | 1,770                        | 1,947                   | 2,628            |
| Strawberries .....                        | 3,269                        | 3,797                   | 4,549            |
| Other fruit .....                         | 238                          | 253                     | 331              |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                       | <b>5,908</b>                 | <b>6,881</b>            | <b>7,552</b>     |
| <u>Containers over 1 lb. up to 30 lb.</u> |                              |                         |                  |
| Apples .....                              | 3,827                        | 3,152                   | 4,005            |
| Blueberries .....                         | 5,470                        | 5,823                   | 6,014            |
| Cherries .....                            | 4,243                        | 4,511                   | 3,508            |
| Citrus fruit .....                        | 89                           | 115                     | 93               |
| Plums .....                               | 121                          | 162                     | 191              |
| Raspberries .....                         | 1,499                        | 1,669                   | 1,718            |
| Strawberries .....                        | 4,401                        | 4,455                   | 4,105            |
| Other fruit .....                         | 1,160                        | 1,203                   | 1,427            |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                       | <b>20,810</b>                | <b>21,090</b>           | <b>21,061</b>    |
| <u>Containers over 30 lb.</u>             |                              |                         |                  |
| Apples .....                              | 365                          | 697                     | 969              |
| Blueberries .....                         | 2,523                        | 2,533                   | 1,759            |
| Cherries .....                            | 218                          | 227                     | 152              |
| Citrus fruit .....                        | 293                          | 360                     | 55               |
| Plums .....                               | 173                          | 217                     | 164              |
| Raspberries .....                         | 1,700                        | 1,852                   | 2,092            |
| Strawberries .....                        | 3,446                        | 3,534                   | 4,339            |
| Other fruit .....                         | 817                          | 807                     | 1,647            |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                       | <b>9,535</b>                 | <b>10,227</b>           | <b>11,177</b>    |

TABLE 2. Fruit, Frozen and in Preservatives in Storages and Factories in Canada

|                                      | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | February 1, 1968<br>revised | March 1,<br>1967 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| thousand pounds                      |                              |                             |                  |
| <u>Frozen fruit (all containers)</u> |                              |                             |                  |
| Apples .....                         | 4,192                        | 3,849                       | 4,974            |
| Blueberries .....                    | 8,425                        | 9,065                       | 7,817            |
| Cherries .....                       | 4,461                        | 4,738                       | 3,660            |
| Citrus fruit .....                   | 581                          | 650                         | 148              |
| Plums .....                          | 294                          | 379                         | 355              |
| Raspberries .....                    | 4,969                        | 5,468                       | 6,438            |
| Strawberries .....                   | 11,116                       | 11,786                      | 12,993           |
| Other fruit .....                    | 2,215                        | 2,263                       | 3,405            |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                  | <b>36,253</b>                | <b>38,198</b>               | <b>39,790</b>    |
| <u>Fruit in SO<sub>2</sub>, etc.</u> |                              |                             |                  |
| Apples .....                         | 1,804                        | 1,938                       | 2,200            |
| Blueberries .....                    | (1)                          | (1)                         | (1)              |
| Cherries .....                       | 1,144                        | 1,494                       | 1,474            |
| Citrus fruit .....                   | 2,102                        | 1,886                       | 2,007            |
| Plums .....                          | 469                          | 508                         | 637              |
| Raspberries .....                    | 808                          | 937                         | 1,136            |
| Strawberries .....                   | 1,752                        | 1,539                       | 2,579            |
| Other fruit .....                    | 1,086                        | 1,170                       | 1,005            |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                  | <b>9,165</b>                 | <b>9,472</b>                | <b>11,038</b>    |
| <u>Summary of fruit</u>              |                              |                             |                  |
| Frozen:                              |                              |                             |                  |
| Containers 1 lb. and under .....     | 5,908                        | 6,881                       | 7,552            |
| Containers over 1 lb. ....           | 30,345                       | 31,317                      | 32,238           |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                  | <b>36,253</b>                | <b>38,198</b>               | <b>39,790</b>    |
| In preservatives:                    |                              |                             |                  |
| <b>Totals .....</b>                  | <b>9,165</b>                 | <b>9,472</b>                | <b>11,038</b>    |
| <b>Grand totals .....</b>            | <b>45,418</b>                | <b>47,743</b>               | <b>50,828</b>    |

(1) Less than three firms reporting this item. The figures therefore cannot be shown separately but are included in "Other fruit".

TABLE 3. Apples in Cold and Common Storage

(Including holdings by commercial growers with comparative figures for last year and last month)

|                        | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary |        |       | February 1, 1968<br>revised | March 1,<br>1967 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|--------|-------|-----------------------------|------------------|
|                        | Cold                         | Common | Total |                             |                  |
|                        | thousand bushels             |        |       |                             |                  |
| Canada .....           | 3,691                        | 123    | 3,814 | 5,944                       | 4,028            |
| Maritimes .....        | 265                          | 30     | 295   | 748                         | 191              |
| Quebec .....           | 1,129                        | 13     | 1,142 | 1,523                       | 889              |
| Ontario .....          | 1,217                        | 5      | 1,222 | 1,703                       | 1,314            |
| Manitoba .....         | 4                            | 15     | 19    | 19                          | 13               |
| Saskatchewan .....     | 7                            | 7      | 14    | 20                          | 17               |
| Alberta .....          | —                            | 22     | 22    | 29                          | 22               |
| British Columbia ..... | 1,069                        | 31     | 1,100 | 1,902                       | 1,582            |
| Cities:                |                              |        |       |                             |                  |
| Quebec .....           | 8                            | 2      | 10    | 16                          | 6                |
| Montreal .....         | 22                           | 11     | 33    | 40                          | 32               |
| Toronto .....          | 8                            | 1      | 9     | 12                          | 17               |
| Winnipeg .....         | 4                            | 15     | 19    | 19                          | 13               |
| Regina .....           | —                            | 6      | 6     | 9                           | 6                |
| Saskatoon .....        | 7                            | —      | 7     | 10                          | 9                |
| Calgary .....          | —                            | 8      | 8     | 11                          | 8                |
| Edmonton .....         | —                            | 14     | 14    | 18                          | 14               |
| Vancouver(1) .....     | —                            | 19     | 19    | 16                          | 25               |

(1) Including New Westminster.

TABLE 4. Pears in Cold and Common Storage

(Including holdings by commercial growers with comparative figures for last year and last month)

|                        | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | February 1, 1968<br>revised | March 1,<br>1967 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
|                        |                              | thousand bushels            |                  |
| Canada .....           | 24                           | 42                          | 55               |
| Maritimes .....        | —                            | —                           | —                |
| Quebec .....           | 14                           | 20                          | 15               |
| Ontario .....          | 7                            | 14                          | 18               |
| Manitoba .....         | 1                            | 2                           | 2                |
| Saskatchewan .....     | —                            | —                           | —                |
| Alberta .....          | 1                            | 2                           | 1                |
| British Columbia ..... | 1                            | 4                           | 19               |

TABLE 5. Vegetables in Cold and Common Storage

(Including holdings by commercial growers in specified areas(1)  
with comparative figures for last year)

|                        | March 1,<br>1968<br>preliminary | March 1,<br>1967 | March 1,<br>1968<br>preliminary | March 1,<br>1967 | March 1,<br>1968<br>preliminary | March 1,<br>1967 |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
|                        | Potatoes                        |                  | Onions                          |                  | Carrots                         |                  |
|                        | '000 cwt.                       |                  | '000 bu.                        |                  | '000 bu.                        |                  |
| Canada .....           | 12,708                          | 19,549           | 564                             | 417              | 106                             | 318              |
| Maritimes ...          | 8,984                           | 13,803           | 8                               | 14               | 5                               | 15               |
| Quebec .....           | 1,448                           | 1,784            | 75                              | 46               | 24                              | 45               |
| Ontario .....          | 1,168                           | 1,774            | 446                             | 328              | 60                              | 238              |
| Manitoba ....          | 16                              | 13               | 10                              | 10               | 1                               | 2                |
| Saskatchewan           | 29                              | 93               | 4                               | 4                | —                               | 2                |
| Alberta .....          | 877                             | 1,686            | 7                               | 10               | 5                               | 3                |
| British<br>Columbia .. | 186                             | 396              | 14                              | 5                | 11                              | 13               |

|                        | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | March 1,<br>1967 | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | March 1,<br>1967 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
|                        | Cabbage                      |                  | Celery                       |                  |
|                        | '000 bu.                     |                  | '000 crates                  |                  |
| Canada .....           | 37                           | 47               | NOT                          | 21               |
| Maritimes ...          | 8                            | 4                | a                            | 1                |
| Quebec .....           | 7                            | 10               | v                            | 10               |
| Ontario .....          | 10                           | 19               | a                            | 3                |
| Manitoba ....          | 2                            | 3                | i                            | 2                |
| Saskatchewan           | 2                            | 2                | l                            | 2                |
| Alberta .....          | 2                            | 4                | a                            | 3                |
| British<br>Columbia .. | 6                            | 5                | b                            | —                |
|                        |                              |                  | l                            |                  |
|                        |                              |                  | e                            |                  |

- (1) Maritimes Includes holdings of commercial growers in recognized areas of commercial production.
- Quebec Montreal, Quebec, Sherbrooke and producer stocks in these areas.
- Ontario All major cities and producer stocks in areas of commercial production.
- Manitoba Winnipeg stocks only.
- Saskatchewan Regina and Craven-Lumsden area, and Saskatoon.
- Alberta Edmonton, Calgary and farm storage in commercial production areas of Lethbridge and Brooks.
- British  
  Columbia Vancouver District, Victoria and farm storage in commercial production areas of Vancouver Island, Lower Mainland and Inland, B.C.



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TABLE 6. Frozen Vegetables in Storages and Factories in Canada

|                        | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | February 1, 1968<br>revised | March 1,<br>1967 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| thousand pounds        |                              |                             |                  |
| <u>Frozen</u>          |                              |                             |                  |
| Asparagus .....        | 413                          | 481                         | 265              |
| Beans - Green .....    | 8,821                        | 10,214                      | 8,077            |
| Wax .....              | 2,024                        | 2,068                       | 1,047            |
| Lima .....             | 1,534                        | 1,553                       | 3,235            |
| Broccoli .....         | 1,571                        | 2,197                       | 1,228            |
| Brussel sprouts .....  | 1,352                        | 1,569                       | 1,648            |
| Carrots .....          | 6,474                        | 7,666                       | 6,361            |
| Cauliflower .....      | 792                          | 788                         | 946              |
| Corn .....             | 13,846                       | 16,151                      | 7,578            |
| Peas .....             | 15,987                       | 20,210                      | 16,201           |
| Spinach .....          | 693                          | 785                         | 617              |
| Squash .....           | 1,639                        | 1,692                       | 1,854            |
| Other vegetables ..... | 4,998                        | 4,734                       | 4,520            |
| <br>Total frozen ..... | <br>60,144                   | <br>70,108                  | <br>53,577       |
| <br>In brine .....     | <br>13,918                   | <br>14,568                  | <br>12,191       |
| <br>Grand totals ..... | <br>74,062                   | <br>84,676                  | <br>65,768       |

TABLE 7. Frozen Vegetables Intended for Re-Manufacture  
Held in Storages and Factories in Canada(1)

|                          | March 1, 1968<br>preliminary | February 1, 1968<br>revised | March 1,<br>1967 |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| thousand pounds          |                              |                             |                  |
| <u>Frozen</u>            |                              |                             |                  |
| Asparagus .....          | -                            | -                           | -                |
| Beans - Green .....      | 437                          | 951                         | 729              |
| Wax .....                | -                            | -                           | -                |
| Lima .....               | 444                          | 523                         | 1,323            |
| Broccoli .....           | -                            | -                           | (2)              |
| Brussels sprouts .....   | -                            | (2)                         | (2)              |
| Carrots .....            | 1,821                        | 1,854                       | 2,629            |
| Corn .....               | 1,437                        | 1,677                       | 1,770            |
| Cauliflower .....        | -                            | (2)                         | (2)              |
| Peas .....               | 2,502                        | 5,452                       | 5,232            |
| Spinach .....            | -                            | -                           | -                |
| Squash .....             | (2)                          | (2)                         | (2)              |
| <br>Total reported ..... | <br>6,678                    | <br>10,705                  | <br>12,071       |

(1) At time of publication reports had not been received from 5 of 30 plants contacted.

(2) Omitted to avoid disclosing individual company operations, included in totals.