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## STOCKS OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

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Apples. — Canadian apples held in cold and common storage were 1,226,000 bushels compared with 1,611,000 bushels last year.

Pears. — There were 51,000 bushels of pears on hand at May 1, 1968.

Fruit, frozen and in preservatives. — There were 4,374,000 lb. of fruit in "Containers 1 lb. and Under", as against 21,586,000 lb. in "Containers Over 1 lb."

The stocks of fruit in sulphur dioxide, etc. totalled 7,582,000 lb. A year ago they amounted to 9,694,000 lb. and last month 8,159,000 lb. The total of all fruit frozen and in preservatives was 33,542,000 lb. as compared with 41,763,000 lb. last year and 39,049,000 lb. last month.

Vegetables. — Stocks of potatoes were 5,678,000 hundredweight, as compared with 12,421,000 hundredweight last year. Stocks of onions were reported as 43,000 bushels as compared with 73,000 bushels last year. Stocks of carrots amounted to 61,000 bushels as compared with 104,000 bushels last year. Stocks of cabbage decreased to 26,000 bushels from 41,000 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 45,334,000 lb. as compared with 41,007,000 lb. last year. Current holdings of frozen vegetables intended for re-manufacture amounted to 4,240,000 lb. There were 11,070,000 lb. of vegetables held in brine as against 10,575,000 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.

Note: 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

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	April 1, 1968 revised	May 1, 1967
thousand pounds			
<u>Containers 1 lb. and under</u>			
Apples .....	(1)	29	37
Blueberries .....	226	323	70
Cherries .....	—	—	(1)
Citrus fruit .....	(1)	129	15
Plums .....	(1)	(1)	—
Raspberries .....	1,347	1,677	2,107
Strawberries .....	2,398	2,886	3,104
Other fruit .....	403	236	196
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>4,374</b>	<b>5,280</b>	<b>5,529</b>
<u>Containers over 1 lb. up to 30 lb.</u>			
Apples .....	4,159	4,677	4,382
Blueberries .....	3,297	4,008	5,331
Cherries .....	2,424	3,311	2,302
Citrus fruit .....	99	133	71
Plums .....	80	86	162
Raspberries .....	895	1,288	1,543
Strawberries .....	3,180	3,301	3,282
Other fruit .....	628	905	1,213
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>14,762</b>	<b>17,709</b>	<b>18,286</b>
<u>Containers over 30 lb.</u>			
Apples .....	515	690	551
Blueberries .....	2,022	2,160	1,356
Cherries .....	206	217	79
Citrus fruit .....	233	249	146
Plums .....	107	123	128
Raspberries .....	1,352	1,491	1,514
Strawberries .....	1,755	2,166	3,309
Other fruit .....	634	805	1,171
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>6,824</b>	<b>7,901</b>	<b>8,254</b>

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

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	April 1, 1968 revised	May 1, 1967
thousand pounds			
<u>Frozen fruit (all containers)</u>			
Apples .....	4,674	5,396	4,970
Blueberries .....	5,545	6,491	6,757
Cherries .....	2,630	3,528	2,381
Citrus fruit .....	332	511	232
Plums .....	187	209	290
Raspberries .....	3,594	4,456	5,164
Strawberries .....	7,333	8,353	9,695
Other fruit .....	1,665	1,946	2,580
Totals .....	25,960	30,890	32,069
<u>Fruit in SO<sub>2</sub>, etc.</u>			
Apples .....	1,519	1,685	2,236
Blueberries .....	(1)	(1)	(1)
Cherries .....	1,089	941	810
Citrus fruit .....	1,927	2,009	1,848
Plums .....	383	434	532
Raspberries .....	641	750	950
Strawberries .....	1,277	1,529	2,381
Other fruit .....	746	811	937
Totals .....	7,582	8,159	9,694
<u>Summary of fruit</u>			
Frozen:			
Containers 1 lb. and under .....	4,374	5,280	5,529
Containers over 1 lb. ....	21,586	25,610	26,540
Totals .....	25,960	30,890	32,069
In preservatives:			
Totals .....	7,582	8,159	9,694
Grand totals .....	33,542	39,049	41,763

(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)

	May 1, 1968 preliminary			April 1, 1968 revised	May 1, 1967
	Cold	Common	Total		
	thousand bushels				
Canada .....	1,141	85	1,226	2,338	1,611
Maritimes .....	70	3	73	141	25
Quebec .....	440	7	447	793	440
Ontario .....	462	1	463	816	636
Manitoba .....	3	21	24	25	9
Saskatchewan .....	8	8	16	11	12
Alberta .....	—	25	25	24	21
British Columbia .....	158	20	178	528	468
Cities:					
Quebec .....	4	—	4	5	5
Montreal .....	11	7	18	23	44
Toronto .....	6	1	7	8	4
Winnipeg .....	3	21	24	25	9
Regina .....	—	8	8	5	6
Saskatoon .....	8	—	8	6	6
Calgary .....	—	10	10	7	8
Edmonton .....	—	15	15	17	13
Vancouver(1) .....	—	16	16	27	17

(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)

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	April 1, 1968 revised	May 1, 1967
		thousand bushels	
Canada .....	51	37	72
Maritimes .....	—	—	—
Quebec .....	45	27	54
Ontario .....	5	7	14
Manitoba .....	1	1	—
Saskatchewan .....	—	—	—
Alberta .....	—	1	2
British Columbia .....	—	1	2

TABLE 5. Vegetables in Cold and Common Storage

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

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	May 1, 1967	May 1, 1968 preliminary	May 1, 1967	May 1, 1968 preliminary	May 1, 1967
	Potatoes		Onions		Carrots	
	'000 cwt.		'000 bu.		'000 bu.	
Canada .....	5,678	12,421	43	73	61	104
Maritimes ...	3,841	9,035	5	4	5	4
Quebec .....	810	1,174	16	24	31	29
Ontario .....	598	1,135	8	22	8	52
Manitoba ....	31	22	3	4	5	3
Saskatchewan	15	43	2	2	2	2
Alberta .....	304	891	4	9	4	4
British Columbia ..	79	121	5	8	6	10

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	May 1, 1967	May 1, 1968 preliminary	May 1, 1967
	Cabbage		Celery	
	'000 bu.		'000 crates	
Canada .....	26	41	NOT	19
Maritimes ...	5	5	A	—
Quebec .....	7	9	V	13
Ontario .....	3	15	A	2
Manitoba ....	3	2	I	1
Saskatchewan	2	2	L	1
Alberta .....	2	3	A	2
British Columbia ..	4	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

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	April 1, 1968 revised	May 1, 1967
thousand pounds			
<b>Frozen</b>			
Asparagus .....	325	372	163
Beans - Green .....	6,866	7,833	5,629
Wax .....	1,526	1,788	887
Lima .....	1,241	1,404	2,036
Broccoli .....	1,149	1,419	1,038
Brussel sprouts .....	970	1,103	1,233
Carrots .....	4,646	5,865	5,519
Cauliflower .....	616	609	728
Corn .....	11,046	12,705	5,877
Peas .....	10,334	12,730	10,769
Spinach .....	566	638	722
Squash .....	1,500	1,544	1,804
Other vegetables .....	4,549	4,820	4,602
<b>Total frozen .....</b>	<b>45,334</b>	<b>52,830</b>	<b>41,007</b>
<b>In brine .....</b>	<b>11,070</b>	<b>12,138</b>	<b>10,575</b>
<b>Grand totals .....</b>	<b>56,404</b>	<b>64,968</b>	<b>51,582</b>

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

	May 1, 1968 preliminary	April 1, 1968 revised	May 1, 1967
thousand pounds			
<b>Frozen</b>			
Asparagus .....	-	-	-
Beans - Green .....	308	754	270
Wax .....	-	(2)	-
Lima .....	(2)	472	927
Broccoli .....	-	-	(2)
Brussels sprouts .....	-	(2)	(2)
Carrots .....	1,096	1,409	1,032
Corn .....	1,223	1,388	776
Cauliflower .....	-	(2)	(2)
Peas .....	1,421	2,802	2,918
Spinach .....	-	-	-
Squash .....	(2)	(2)	(2)
<b>Total reported .....</b>	<b>4,240</b>	<b>7,019</b>	<b>6,012</b>

(1) At time of publication reports had not been received from 6 of 30 plants contacted.

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