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STOCKS OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

DECEMBER 1, 1971

Apples. — Canadian apples held in cold and common storage were 447,380,000 lb. compared with 472,106,000 lb. last year.

Pears. — There were 12,331,000 lb. of pears on hand at December 1, 1971.

Fruit, frozen and in preservatives. — There were 5,588,000 lb. of fruit in "Containers 1 lb. and Under", as against 39,974,000 lb. in "Containers over 1 lb."

The stocks of fruit in sulphur dioxide, etc. totalled 6,780,000 lb. A year ago they amounted to 8,255,000 lb. and last month 6,350,000 lb. The total of all fruit frozen and in preservatives was 52,342,000 lb. as compared with 56,267,000 lb. last year and 50,476,000 lb. last month.

Vegetables. — Stocks of potatoes were 30,023,000 hundredweight, as compared with 30,720,000 hundredweight last year. Stocks of onions were reported as 103,810,000 lb. as compared with 109,249,000 lb. last year. Stocks of carrots amounted to 100,549,000 lb. as compared with 99,041,000 lb. last year. Stocks of cabbage decreased to 10,601,000 lb. from 11,051,000 lb. last year.

Vegetables, frozen and in brine. — The total stocks of frozen vegetables amounted to 98,919,000 lb. as compared with 108,149,000 lb. last year. Current holdings of frozen vegetables intended for re-manufacture amounted to 15,946,000 lb. There were 9,685,000 lb. of vegetables held in brine as against 11,777,000 lb. last year.

NOTE AS TO SOURCE AND CONTENT

The data contained in this report represents 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.

Agriculture Division
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TABLE 1. Frozen Fruit in Storages and Factories in Canada

	Dec. 1, 1971 preliminary	Nov. 1, 1971 revised	Dec. 1, 1970
thousand pounds			
<u>Containers 1 lb. and under</u>			
Apples	(1)	(1)	9
Blueberries	42	38	198
Cherries	(1)	(1)	(1)
Citrus fruit	28	28	(1)
Plums	—	—	—
Raspberries	1,010	1,015	962
Strawberries	4,176	4,387	3,695
Other fruit	332	373	808
Totals	5,588	5,841	5,672
<u>Containers over 1 lb. up to 30 lb.</u>			
Apples	2,431	1,741	2,884
Blueberries	4,613	4,683	5,606
Cherries	7,631	7,890	5,407
Citrus fruit	19	35	72
Plums	416	440	587
Raspberries	2,388	2,824	3,498
Strawberries	7,085	5,951	7,960
Other fruit	1,409	1,496	1,870
Totals	25,992	25,060	27,884
<u>Containers over 30 lb.</u>			
Apples	195	198	401
Blueberries	3,505	2,465	2,022
Cherries	926	854	756
Citrus fruit	61	61	(1)
Plums	873	878	649
Raspberries	2,813	3,029	2,711
Strawberries	3,188	4,110	6,921
Other fruit	2,421	1,630	996
Totals	13,982	13,225	14,456

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

	Dec. 1, 1971 preliminary	Nov. 1, 1971 revised	Dec. 1, 1970
thousand pounds			
<u>Frozen fruit (all containers)</u>			
Apples	2,626	1,939	3,294
Blueberries	8,160	7,186	7,826
Cherries	8,557	8,744	6,163
Citrus fruit	108	124	72
Plums	1,289	1,318	1,236
Raspberries	6,211	6,868	7,171
Strawberries	14,449	14,448	18,576
Other fruit	4,162	3,499	3,674
Totals	45,562	44,126	48,012
<u>Fruit in SO₂, etc.</u>			
Apples	609	540	528
Blueberries	(1)	(1)	(1)
Cherries	1,779	2,005	2,565
Citrus fruit	449	500	937
Plums	452	372	425
Raspberries	653	356	751
Strawberries	1,193	760	1,372
Other fruit	1,645	1,817	1,677
Totals	6,780	6,350	8,255
<u>Summary of fruit</u>			
Frozen:			
Containers 1 lb. and under	5,588	5,841	5,672
Containers over 1 lb.	39,974	38,285	42,340
Totals	45,562	44,126	48,012
In preservatives:			
Totals	6,780	6,350	8,255
Grand totals	52,342	50,476	56,267

(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)

	December 1, 1971			Nov. 1, 1971 revised	Dec. 1, 1970
	Cold	Common	Total		
	thousand pounds				
Canada	418,854	28,526	447,380	495,904	472,106
Maritimes	43,831	16,970	60,801	74,369	51,375
Quebec	124,507	235	124,742	136,342	104,652
Ontario	133,518	7,573	141,091	148,841	134,416
Manitoba	—	749	749	746	840
Saskatchewan	—	654	654	576	592
Alberta	—	732	732	841	974
British Columbia	116,998	1,613	118,611	134,189	179,257

TABLE 4. Pears in Cold and Common Storage

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

	December 1, 1971	November 1, 1971	December 1,
	preliminary	revised	1970
	thousand pounds		
Canada	12,331	19,107	11,879
Maritimes	3	151	—
Quebec	769	361	736
Ontario	5,066	6,784	4,473
Manitoba	113	95	153
Saskatchewan	60	38	40
Alberta	78	64	103
British Columbia	6,242	11,614	6,374

TABLE 5. Vegetables in Cold and Common Storage

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

	December 1, 1971 preliminary	December 1, 1970	December 1, 1971 preliminary	December 1, 1970
	Potatoes		Onions	
	'000 cwt.		'000 lb.	
Canada	30,023	30,720	103,810	109,249
Maritimes ...	18,904	19,040	332	570
Quebec	2,932	2,372	25,805	19,170
Ontario	3,825	4,208	68,416	82,468
Manitoba	8	5	261	230
Saskatchewan	231	231	214	223
Alberta	3,435	4,184	1,577	767
British Columbia ..	688	680	7,205	5,821
	December 1, 1971 preliminary	December 1, 1970	December 1, 1971 preliminary	December 1, 1970
	Carrots		Cabbage	
	'000 lb.		'000 lb.	
Canada	100,549	99,041	10,601	11,051
Maritimes ...	1,019	1,053	4,023	2,673
Quebec	29,649	20,195	2,444	2,614
Ontario	64,199	71,749	1,694	2,667
Manitoba	196	59	151	125
Saskatchewan	49	50	180	146
Alberta	4,115	4,870	945	1,522
British Columbia ..	1,322	1,065	1,164	1,304
(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

	Dec. 1, 1971 preliminary	Nov. 1, 1971 revised	Dec. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<u>Frozen</u>			
Asparagus	479	570	361
Beans - Green	11,959	13,379	14,811
Wax	1,970	2,306	2,775
Lima	2,623	2,785	2,805
Broccoli	3,003	3,221	3,386
Brussel sprouts	2,245	2,023	3,751
Carrots	10,645	8,024	10,460
Cauliflower	1,327	1,324	2,488
Corn	23,300	25,696	18,973
Peas	32,908	40,590	41,281
Spinach	980	800	884
Squash	1,928	1,426	1,632
Other vegetables	5,552	5,058	4,542
 Total frozen	 98,919	 107,202	 108,149
 In brine	 9,685	 10,522	 11,777
 Grand totals	 108,604	 117,724	 119,926

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

	Dec. 1, 1971 preliminary	Nov. 1, 1971 revised	Dec. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<u>Frozen</u>			
Asparagus	-	(2)	-
Beans - Green	1,519	1,672	1,475
Wax	124	178	177
Lima	308	344	474
Broccoli	-	-	(2)
Brussels sprouts	(2)	(2)	(2)
Carrots	2,076	1,786	1,745
Corn	1,593	2,574	6,217
Cauliflower	(2)	280	-
Peas	9,273	11,058	11,217
Spinach	(2)	(2)	-
Squash	(2)	(2)	(2)
 Total reported	 15,946	 18,696	 21,403

(1) At time of publication reports had not been received from 1 of 20 plants contacted.

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