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STOCKS OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

FEBRUARY 1, 1973

Apples. - Canadian apples held in cold and common storage were 248,023,000 lb. compared with 275,345,000 lb. last year.

Pears. - There were 2,545,000 lb. of pears on hand at February 1, 1973.

Fruit, frozen and in preservatives. - There were 3,713,000 lb. of fruit in "Containers 1 lb. and Under", as against 31,418,000 lb. in "Containers over 1 lb.".

The stocks of fruit in sulphur dioxide, etc. totalled 10,058,000 lb. A year ago they amounted to 8,334,000 lb. and last month 10,079,000 lb. The total of all fruit frozen and in preservatives was 45,189,000 lb. as compared with 48,723,000 lb. last year and 46,666,000 lb. last month.

Vegetables. - Stocks of potatoes were 15,141,000 hundredweight, as compared with 22,389,000 hundredweight last year. Stocks of onions were reported as 44,954,000 lb. as compared with 75,964,000 lb. last year. Stocks of carrots amounted to 65,011,000 lb. as compared with 48,957,000 lb. last year. Stocks of cabbage decreased to 2,577,000 lb. from 3,311,000 lb. last year.

Vegetables, frozen and in brine. - The total stocks of frozen vegetables amounted to 73,279,000 lb. as compared with 75,002,000 lb. last year. Current holdings of frozen vegetables intended for re-manufacture amounted to 9,175,000 lb. There were 6,658,000 lb. of vegetables held in brine as against 8,011,000 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
Livestock and Animal Products Section

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TABLE 1. Frozen Fruit in Storages and Factories in Canada

	Feb. 1, 1973 preliminary	Jan. 1, 1973 revised	Feb. 1, 1972
thousand pounds			
<u>Containers 1 lb. and under</u>			
Apples	—	—	(1)
Blueberries	67	17	51
Cherries	(1)	(1)	(1)
Citrus fruit	(1)	(1)	37
Plums	—	—	—
Raspberries	728	686	868
Strawberries	2,538	2,906	3,589
Other fruit	380	346	232
Totals	3,713	3,955	4,777
<u>Containers over 1 lb. up to 30 lb.</u>			
Apples	3,669	3,607	4,797
Blueberries	3,665	4,826	3,631
Cherries	4,742	5,216	5,879
Citrus fruit	(1)	61	23
Plums	360	358	357
Raspberries	2,023	2,515	1,942
Strawberries	3,487	3,577	4,609
Other fruit	1,695	1,866	2,195
Totals	19,641	22,026	23,433
<u>Containers over 30 lb.</u>			
Apples	744	629	759
Blueberries	1,615	1,686	1,665
Cherries	759	677	1,626
Citrus fruit	(1)	(1)	(1)
Plums	558	638	862
Raspberries	2,903	2,147	1,827
Strawberries	2,543	2,585	2,802
Other fruit	2,655	2,244	2,638
Totals	11,777	10,606	12,179

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

	Feb. 1, 1973 preliminary	Jan. 1, 1973 revised	Feb. 1, 1972
thousand pounds			
<u>Frozen fruit (all containers)</u>			
Apples	4,413	4,236	5,556
Blueberries	5,347	6,529	5,347
Cherries	5,501	5,893	7,505
Citrus fruit	(1)	61	60
Plums	918	996	1,219
Raspberries	5,654	5,348	4,637
Strawberries	8,568	9,068	11,000
Other fruit	4,730	4,456	5,065
Totals	35,131	36,587	40,389
<u>Fruit in SO₂, etc.</u>			
Apples	839	523	1,265
Blueberries	(1)	(1)	(1)
Cherries	3,331	4,020	1,482
Citrus fruit	529	574	1,041
Plums	(1)	(1)	313
Raspberries	1,108	1,111	808
Strawberries	1,667	1,611	1,711
Other fruit	2,584	2,240	1,714
Totals	10,058	10,079	8,334
<u>Summary of fruit</u>			
Frozen:			
Containers 1 lb. and under	3,713	3,955	4,777
Containers over 1 lb.	31,418	32,632	35,612
Totals	35,131	36,587	40,389
In preservatives:			
Totals	10,058	10,079	8,334
Grand totals	45,189	46,666	48,723

(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)

	Feb. 1, 1973 preliminary			Jan. 1, 1973 revised	Feb. 1, 1972
	Controlled atmosphere	Cold and common	Total		
	thousand pounds				
Canada	163,859	84,164	248,023	335,242	275,345
Maritimes	6,779	8,638	15,417	28,507	25,915
Quebec	64,752	11,020	75,772	90,975	87,166
Ontario	49,264	25,561	74,825	98,365	92,723
Manitoba	-	534	534	656	533
Saskatchewan	-	436	436	340	397
Alberta	-	987	987	664	729
British Columbia	43,064	36,988	80,052	115,735	67,882

TABLE 4. Pears in Cold and Common Storage

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

	Feb. 1, 1973 preliminary	Jan. 1, 1973 revised	Feb. 1, 1972
		thousand pounds	
Canada	2,545	4,264	1,870
Maritimes	3	13	8
Quebec	957	1,282	788
Ontario	897	1,392	360
Manitoba	163	185	38
Saskatchewan	42	39	26
Alberta	78	108	92
British Columbia	405	1,245	558

TABLE 5. Vegetables in Cold and Common Storage

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

	Feb. 1, 1973	Feb. 1,	Feb. 1, 1973	Feb. 1,
	preliminary	1972	preliminary	1972
	Potatoes		Onions	
	'000 cwt.		'000 lb.	
Canada	15,141	22,389	44,954	75,964
Maritimes ...	9,086	14,889	418	326
Quebec	1,147	1,780	5,822	16,190
Ontario	2,350	2,534	33,828	53,857
Manitoba	16	7	532	334
Saskatchewan	128	170	222	229
Alberta	2,094	2,609	1,098	1,298
British Columbia ..	320	400	3,034	3,730

	Feb. 1, 1973	Feb. 1,	Feb. 1, 1973	Feb. 1,
	preliminary	1972	preliminary	1972
	Carrots		Cabbage	
	'000 lb.		'000 lb.	
Canada	65,011	48,957	2,577	3,311
Maritimes ...	905	1,244	232	834
Quebec	14,312	6,904	700	1,095
Ontario	46,665	38,241	1,018	772
Manitoba	388	287	143	188
Saskatchewan	93	57	94	87
Alberta	2,212	1,928	229	166
British Columbia ..	436	296	161	169

- (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 Vancouver District, Victoria and farm storage in commercial production areas of Vancouver Island, Lower Mainland and Inland, B.C.

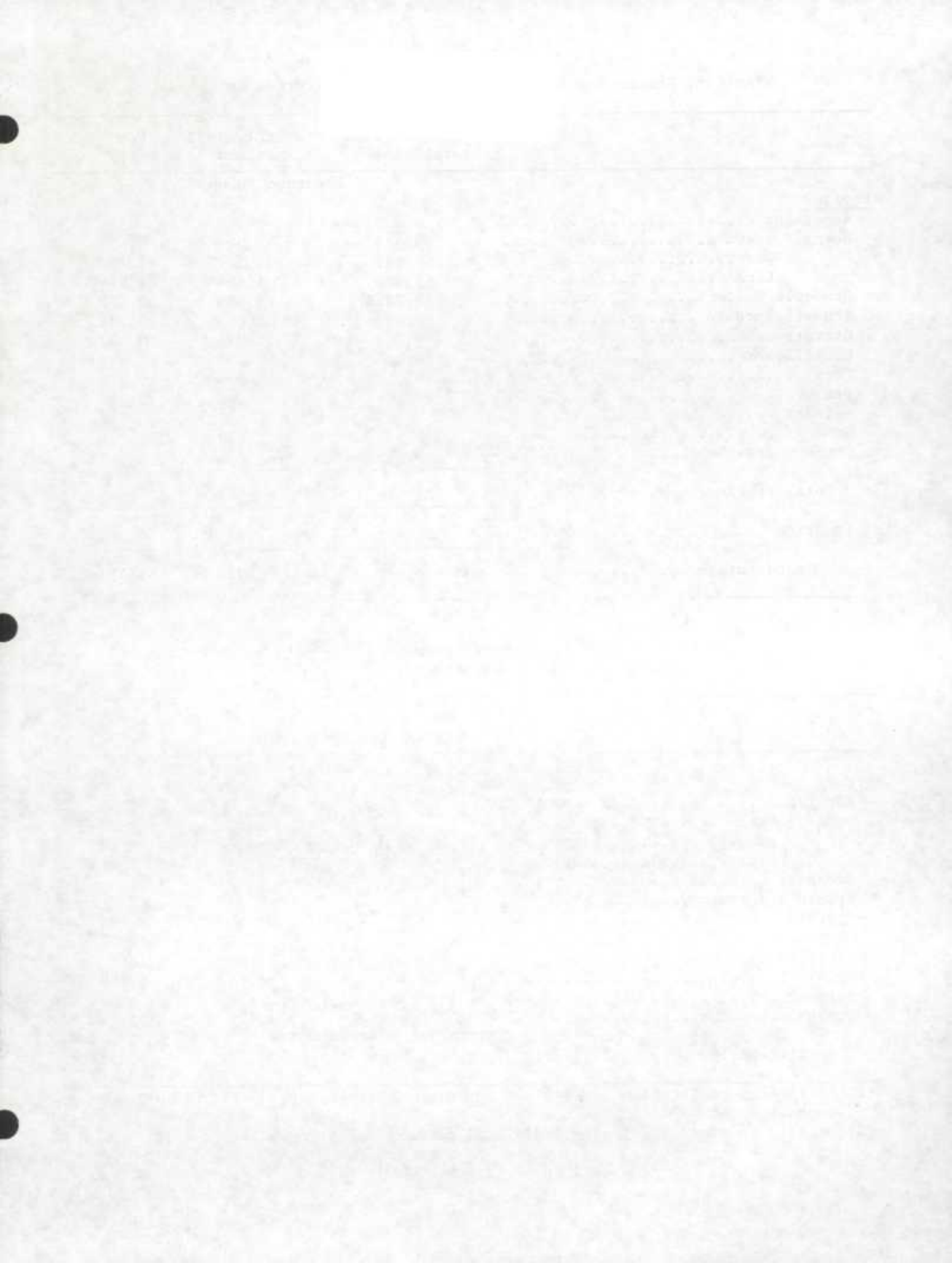
TABLE 6. Frozen Vegetables in Storages and Factories in Canada

	Feb. 1, 1973 preliminary	Jan. 1, 1973 revised	Feb. 1, 1972
thousand pounds			
<u>Frozen</u>			
Asparagus	479	492	354
Beans - Green	9,375	11,502	9,674
Wax	831	1,187	1,150
Lima	1,440	1,694	1,996
Broccoli	3,734	4,060	2,179
Brussel sprouts	2,423	3,045	2,536
Carrots	9,700	11,234	10,102
Cauliflower	2,304	1,856	990
Corn	16,016	19,685	15,484
Peas	18,966	25,946	23,306
Spinach	591	695	797
Squash	1,507	1,739	1,821
Other vegetables	5,913	6,223	4,613
 Total frozen	 73,279	 89,358	 75,002
 In brine	 6,658	 7,579	 8,011
 Grand totals	 79,937	 96,937	 83,013

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

	Feb. 1, 1973 preliminary	Jan. 1, 1973 revised	Feb. 1, 1972
thousand pounds			
<u>Frozen</u>			
Asparagus	-	-	(2)
Beans - Green	1,321	1,427	860
Wax	82	124	19
Lima	229	277	329
Broccoli	(2)	(2)	(2)
Brussels sprouts	(2)	(2)	(2)
Carrots	1,391	1,493	1,926
Corn	1,282	1,732	1,347
Cauliflower	-	-	(2)
Peas	4,540	6,942	7,769
Spinach	(2)	(2)	-
Squash	(2)	(2)	(2)
 Total reported	 9,175	 12,571	 12,839

- (1) At time of publication reports had not been received from 1 of 18 plants contacted.
- (2) Omitted to avoid disclosing individual company operations, included in totals.



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