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ESTIMATES OF THE OUTPUT AND SLAUGHTER OF MEAT ANIMALS AND
CONSUMPTION OF MEATS IN CANADA, 1943

Ottawa, July 19, 1944.—The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today estimates of the total output of meat animals and meats and the consumption of meat in Canada in 1943 together with revised figures for 1935 to 1942. The estimates in this report have been based on information obtained in the semi-annual live-stock surveys, the 1941 census and from reports of marketings and slaughterings of live stock in Canada. A number of revisions have been made in the estimates made for previous years on the basis of new information.

There has been a substantial increase in the disappearance of meat in Canada through the war years with another sharp increase occurring in 1943. During this period Canada has exported large quantities of meat, particularly pork products, to the United Kingdom but the increase in output has been sufficient to provide for increases both in exports and in domestic consumption. Total meat disappearance amounted to 160.5 pounds per capita in 1943 as compared with 143.0 pounds in 1942. As no adjustments have been made to these figures for the amounts used by the military services, Red Cross and other non-civilian users in Canada, the per capita estimates are somewhat higher than the amounts actually available to the civilian population. Beef and pork are by far the most popular meats in Canada; mutton and lamb consumption has always been relatively low and the consumption of veal has not increased as farmers have tended to hold back calves on farms for further feeding. The consumption of edible offals increased in 1943 with an increase in supply. Lard consumption also increased moderately between 1942 and 1943 and in 1943 was at a much higher level than before the war.

Per Capita Consumption of Meats in Canada, 1935-43 1/

	Beef	Veal	Mutton & Lamb	Pork	Edible Offal	Total
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1935	56.0	9.8	6.0	39.6	2/	111.4 3/
1936	57.6	10.2	5.6	41.8	2/	115.2 3/
1937	57.0	11.9	5.6	42.9	2/	117.4 3/
1938	59.3	10.3	5.4	38.1	2/	113.1 3/
1939	56.2	10.4	5.4	39.0	5.2	116.2
1940	58.9	10.8	4.8	46.8	5.7	127.0 4/
1941	62.5	11.0	5.2	49.4	6.3	134.4 4/
1942	63.6	10.5	5.1	57.3	6.5	143.0 4/
1943	72.5	9.7	4.8	66.0	7.5	160.5 4/

1/ Based on revised estimates of total population. 2/ Figures not available.

3/ Not including edible offals. 4/ Figures not adjusted for amounts used by military services, Red Cross and other non-civilian users.

Edible Offals

	Production				Exports	Apparent Consumption	
	from Cattle ^{1/}	from Calves	from Sheep and Lambs	from Hogs ^{2/}		Total	Per Capita
	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	lb.
1935	26,467	6,028	4,024	23,500	60,019	3/	-
1936	28,284	6,239	3,939	27,026	65,488	3/	-
1937	29,487	7,392	3,836	28,725	69,440	3/	-
1938	28,871	6,945	3,797	24,264	63,877	3/	-
1939	28,188	6,739	3,692	25,611	64,230	6,098	58,132
1940	29,276	7,095	3,200	36,186	75,757	10,985	64,772
1941	32,670	7,581	3,481	42,553	86,285	13,922	72,363
1942	32,526	6,670	3,423	46,417	89,036	12,927	76,109
1943	36,226	6,020	3,771	52,753	98,770	9,595	89,175

1/ Excludes offals not used for human food. 2/ Revised on basis of new estimates of hog slaughter. 3/ Not shown separately prior to 1939.

PRODUCTION AND SLAUGHTER OF MEAT ANIMALS AND CONSUMPTION OF MEATS IN CANADA, 1935-43

Year	Net Slaughter in Canada 1/	Average Dressed Weight 2/	Total Dressed Weight	Stocks First of Year	Imports 3/	Total Supply	Exports 3/	Stocks End of Year	Consumption	
									Total	Per capita 4/
	No. 000	lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	lb.
<u>CATTLE - BEEF</u>										
1935	1,274.7	467.1	595,395	22,858	24,898	643,151	13,794	21,976	607,381	56.0
1936	1,336.2	463.6	619,472	21,976	26,286	667,734	12,745	23,947	631,042	57.6
1937	1,397.9	445.7	623,122	25,947	25,470	672,539	17,654	25,302	629,583	57.0
1938	1,389.0	460.2	639,170	25,302	22,467	686,939	5,788	19,337	661,814	59.3
1939	1,337.2	460.4	615,620	19,337	32,528	667,485	4,515	29,639	633,351	56.2
1940	1,402.5	458.8	643,459	29,639	23,006	696,104	3,913	21,848	670,343	58.9
1941	1,561.1	461.6	720,651	21,848	17,227	759,726	7,905	32,209	719,612	62.5
1942	1,561.9	476.2	743,756	32,209	10,948	786,913	15,961	29,204	741,748	63.6
1943	1,803.9	478.5	863,175	29,204	12,625	905,004	13,549	35,671	855,784	72.5
<u>CALVES - VEAL 5/</u>										
1935	1,205.7	88.0	106,085	2,538	-	108,621	-	2,860	105,761	9.8
1936	1,247.6	90.9	113,467	2,860	-	116,327	-	4,505	111,822	10.2
1937	1,473.3	87.7	129,639	4,505	-	134,144	-	3,206	130,938	11.9
1938	1,388.9	83.4	115,896	3,206	-	119,102	-	4,153	114,949	10.3
1939	1,347.7	86.6	116,775	4,153	-	120,928	-	4,201	116,727	10.4
1940	1,419.0	86.5	122,734	4,201	-	126,935	-	4,004	122,931	10.8
1941	1,516.2	84.7	128,429	4,004	-	132,433	-	6,237	126,196	11.0
1942	1,333.8	88.7	118,311	6,237	-	124,548	-	2,508	122,240	10.5
1943	1,204.0	98.2	118,209	2,308	-	120,517	-	5,474	115,043	9.7
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS - MUTTON & LAMB</u>										
1935	1,609.5	39.2	63,087	7,480	83	70,650	316	5,578	64,756	6.0
1936	1,575.6	39.8	62,733	5,578	19	68,330	232	7,197	60,901	5.6
1937	1,534.4	39.3	60,289	7,197	40	67,526	284	5,277	61,965	5.6
1938	1,518.6	40.0	60,671	5,277	402	66,350	203	5,420	60,727	5.4
1939	1,476.8	40.8	60,304	5,420	1,566	67,290	205	6,356	60,729	5.4
1940	1,279.8	41.0	52,461	6,356	921	59,738	183	5,462	54,093	4.8
1941	1,392.3	42.0	58,413	5,462	2,627	66,502	349	6,861	59,292	5.2
1942	1,369.0	41.3	56,473	6,861	2,010	65,344	628	5,054	59,662	5.1
1943	1,508.5	41.2	62,092	5,054	29	67,175	391	9,419	56,865	4.8

1/ Total sales and farm slaughter adjusted for exports and imports of live animals. 2/ Edible meat excluding offals.

3/ Dressed carcass basis. 4/ All per capita calculations are based on revised estimates of total population.

5/ All weight figures revised on basis of new information concerning average dressed weights of calves.

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									Total	Per Capita <u>4/</u>
	No. 000	lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	000 lb.	lb.
<u>HOGS - PORK</u> <u>5/</u>										
1935	4,700.1	119.9	563,745	28,117	403	592,265	152,257	30,335	429,673	39.6
1936	5,405.2	119.9	647,968	30,335	2,694	680,997	174,180	49,604	457,213	41.8
1937	5,745.2	118.1	678,686	49,604	1,940	730,230	218,797	37,261	474,172	42.9
1938	4,852.8	121.0	587,249	37,261	5,467	629,977	178,207	27,237	424,533	38.1
1939	5,122.2	122.0	624,965	27,237	26,546	678,748	194,708	44,830	439,160	39.0
1940	7,236.9	119.5	864,535	44,880	37,244	946,659	353,015	60,975	532,669	46.8
1941	8,510.5	124.1	1,056,046	60,975	5,156	1,122,177	482,040	71,562	568,575	49.4
1942	9,283.3	128.0	1,188,295	71,562	937	1,260,794	537,431	55,650	667,713	57.3
1943	10,550.8	132.2	1,394,400	55,650	2,306	1,452,356	587,475	85,693	779,138	66.0
<u>LARD</u> <u>6/</u>										
1935	4,700.1	12.1	56,885	2,743	3	59,631	15,772	3,437	42,422	3.9
1936	5,405.2	12.9	69,616	3,437	1	73,054	29,234	2,332	41,438	3.8
1937	5,745.2	11.9	68,266	2,332	27	70,625	30,099	2,301	38,225	3.5
1938	4,852.8	12.1	58,482	2,301	64	60,847	16,767	2,609	41,471	3.7
1939	5,122.2	12.3	62,937	2,609	187	65,733	7,303	4,134	54,096	4.8
1940	7,236.9	11.4	82,614	4,134	2	86,750	2,890	4,840	79,220	7.0
1941	8,510.5	11.2	95,307	4,840	2	100,149	6,094	6,674	87,381	7.6
1942	9,283.3	11.5	106,372	6,674	1	113,047	1,612	2,852	108,583	9.3
1943	10,550.8	11.4	120,797	2,852	-	123,649	734	5,476	117,439	9.9

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5/ Revised on basis of new information concerning net slaughter in Canada. 6/ Revised on basis of new estimates of hog slaughter.

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