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ICE CREAM PRODUCTION IN CANADA, 1934

Ice cream as an article of food is of such growing importance that a separate monograph dealing with it appears to be warranted. It possesses all the elements of a real food, being easily digested, palatable and highly nutritive.

The production of ice cream is carried on chiefly by the dairy and confectionery industries whilst a further production is also reported by the baking industry. Statistics of production by quantity and value since the inception of the annual census of manufactures are shown for the above-named industries in the following table.

Table 1. - Ice Cream Production, by Industries, 1917-1934

Year	Bread and Other Bakery Products		Biscuits, Confectionery, Etc.		Dairy Industry		Total Production	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	Gallons	\$	Gallons	\$	Gallons	\$	Gallons	\$
1917.	1,513,802	1,892,253	1/	1/	2,000,761	2,200,360	3,514,563	4,092,613
1918.	1,878,933	2,436,241	1/	1/	2,033,190	2,517,435	3,912,123	4,953,676
1919.	332,722	545,595	2,118,454	2,866,264	2,854,070	3,634,686	5,305,246	7,046,545
1920.	154,673	295,920	2,624,692	4,023,161	2,996,514	4,151,949	5,775,879	8,471,030
1921.	104,224	167,087	2,339,573	3,492,138	3,007,337	3,967,918	5,451,134	7,627,143
1922.	118,975	218,424	1,900,538	2,836,003	2,771,925	3,669,564	4,791,438	6,723,991
1923.	62,840	118,622	2,760,736	3,840,476	2,789,524	3,514,046	5,603,100	7,473,144
1924.	66,583	119,850	1,902,243	2,662,095	3,526,001	4,623,877	5,494,827	7,405,822
1925.	72,931	110,956	1,911,458	2,674,726	3,911,305	5,188,426	5,895,694	7,974,108
1926.	57,888	90,348	2,130,281	3,035,486	4,709,641	6,268,588	6,897,810	9,394,422
1927.	68,502	108,640	2,094,313	3,094,468	5,303,531	7,098,109	7,466,346	10,301,217
1928.	41,031	81,857	2,130,554	2,978,723	6,353,077	8,560,391	8,524,662	11,620,971
1929.	37,938	75,442	2,609,551	3,792,247	7,149,947	9,737,020	9,797,436	13,604,709
1930.	27,541	60,448	2,602,583	3,751,394	7,078,039	9,600,688	9,708,163	13,412,530
1931.	33,751	59,590	2,100,373	2,897,562	6,100,148	8,204,443	8,234,272	11,161,595
1932.	23,787	47,799	1,594,667	2,178,974	4,556,477	5,939,290	6,174,931	8,166,063
1933.	24,826	44,651	787,888	1,012,456	4,910,785	6,273,525	5,723,499	7,330,632
1934.	27,365	49,255	799,899	992,215	5,160,463	6,645,865	5,987,727	7,687,335

1/ Included with "Bread and Other Bakery Products" in 1917 and 1918.

NOTE:- It should be remembered that the above table does not include the production of ice cream in hotels, restaurants and ice cream parlours. The total production and consumption of ice cream is, therefore, materially higher than the figures shown in the present report.

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ICE CREAM PRODUCTION IN CANADA, 1934.

Production of ice cream by provinces is shown in table 2 by quantity and value for the calendar years 1929 to 1934. In 1934 the province of Ontario led in production, contributing 49.7 per cent of the total gallonage and 48.3 per cent of the total value.

Table 2. - Production of Ice Cream by Provinces, Quantity and Value,

Provinces	1934		1933		1932	
	Quantity Gallons	Value \$	Quantity Gallons	Value \$	Quantity Gallons	Value \$
CANADA .....	5,987,727	7,687,335	5,723,499	7,330,632	6,174,931	8,166,063
Prince Edward Island.	39,020	47,980	30,801	39,908	30,196	44,726
Nova Scotia .....	315,335	423,333	281,946	391,771	322,627	458,092
New Brunswick .....	130,323	161,358	121,150	147,932	170,410	201,424
Quebec .....	1,061,403	1,616,677	959,837	1,383,127	1,370,590	2,002,799
Ontario .....	2,976,028	3,713,495	2,944,277	3,723,254	2,780,044	3,616,193
Manitoba .....	326,085	364,380	336,616	380,375	369,150	464,502
Saskatchewan .....	281,679	345,805	283,157	317,846	289,378	318,203
Alberta .....	377,732	424,756	369,246	451,631	405,206	495,248
British Columbia .....	480,122	589,551	396,469	494,788	437,330	564,876

  

Provinces	1931		1930		1929	
	Quantity Gallons	Value \$	Quantity Gallons	Value \$	Quantity Gallons	Value \$
CANADA .....	8,234,272	11,161,595	9,708,163	13,412,530	9,797,436	13,604,709
Prince Edward Island.	37,459	57,082	52,800	80,526	44,537	68,192
Nova Scotia .....	448,758	708,486	736,533	1,141,703	718,708	1,040,793
New Brunswick .....	256,488	342,322	256,779	350,919	241,699	341,100
Quebec .....	1,808,664	2,661,546	2,016,904	3,058,966	2,092,516	3,136,840
Ontario .....	3,747,767	5,028,632	4,177,838	5,582,544	4,182,085	5,748,188
Manitoba .....	438,021	550,524	569,772	711,573	617,991	788,909
Saskatchewan .....	398,173	467,717	564,360	704,853	688,685	845,256
Alberta .....	477,576	564,078	640,937	774,679	537,863	650,576
British Columbia .....	621,366	781,208	692,240	1,006,767	673,352	984,855

CONSUMPTION OF ICE CREAM BY PROVINCES, QUANTITY AND VALUE, 1929 to 1934.

The per capita consumption of ice cream is shown by quantity and value in table 3 for Canada and the provinces for the calendar years 1929 to 1934. The per capita consumption increased from .53 gallons in 1933 to .55 gallons in 1934. An increase of 3.8 per cent.

The provinces showing the highest per capita consumption were Ontario with .84 gallons, British Columbia and Nova Scotia with .66 and .60 gallons respectively, whilst the lowest per capita is shown by Saskatchewan and New Brunswick with .31 and .29 gallons respectively.

Table 3. - Per Capital Consumption of Ice Cream by Provinces, Quantity and Value, 1929 - 1934.

Provinces	1934		1933		1932		1931		1930		1929	
	Gal.	\$ c	Gal.	\$ c	Gal.	\$ c	Gal.	\$ c	Gal.	\$ c	Gal.	\$ c
Prince Edward Island .....	.44	.54	.35	.45	.34	.51	.42	.65	.60	.91	.52	.80
Nova Scotia .....	.60	.80	.54	.74	.62	.88	.87	1.38	1.42	2.20	1.30	1.89
New Brunswick .....	.31	.38	.28	.35	.41	.49	.63	.85	.62	.85	.58	.81
Quebec .....	.35	.54	.32	.46	.47	.69	.63	.93	.71	1.07	.78	1.17
Ontario .....	.84	1.42	.83	1.04	.80	1.04	1.09	1.46	1.22	1.64	1.28	1.76
Manitoba .....	.45	.50	.46	.52	.52	.66	.63	.78	.81	1.01	.93	1.19
Saskatchewan .....	.29	.36	.29	.33	.31	.34	.43	.50	.61	.77	.79	.98
Alberta .....	.49	.55	.48	.59	.55	.67	.65	.77	.89	1.08	.83	1.01
British Columbia .....	.66	.81	.55	.68	.62	.80	.89	1.12	1.02	1.48	1.14	1.66
CANADA .....	.55	.71	.53	.68	.59	.78	.79	1.07	.94	1.30	1.00	1.39

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