

**16.—Live Stock Slaughtered at Canadian Inspected Establishments, by months, 1936 and 1937.**

| Month.             | 1936.          |                |                |                  | 1937.          |                |                |                  |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
|                    | Cattle.        | Calves.        | Sheep.         | Hogs.            | Cattle.        | Calves.        | Sheep.         | Hogs.            |
|                    | No.            | No.            | No.            | No.              | No.            | No.            | No.            | No.              |
| January.....       | 69,810         | 27,060         | 48,434         | 275,775          | 71,473         | 28,576         | 47,823         | 351,365          |
| February.....      | 62,097         | 29,099         | 43,398         | 245,049          | 58,136         | 32,059         | 38,752         | 334,408          |
| March.....         | 61,927         | 48,588         | 42,563         | 262,531          | 63,202         | 55,138         | 46,813         | 357,883          |
| April.....         | 66,816         | 67,583         | 32,312         | 266,855          | 67,429         | 81,553         | 33,779         | 356,419          |
| May.....           | 65,132         | 71,794         | 26,094         | 279,710          | 61,544         | 37,971         | 23,259         | 328,014          |
| June.....          | 67,029         | 68,946         | 51,832         | 269,474          | 66,526         | 32,443         | 44,084         | 293,541          |
| July.....          | 68,439         | 57,096         | 67,320         | 232,254          | 67,090         | 89,842         | 67,364         | 243,160          |
| August.....        | 76,534         | 52,613         | 81,251         | 232,050          | 80,703         | 68,823         | 85,177         | 213,761          |
| September.....     | 89,532         | 56,404         | 107,576        | 284,186          | 102,731        | 66,387         | 117,307        | 237,492          |
| October.....       | 111,665        | 51,070         | 168,378        | 391,890          | 113,765        | 55,061         | 135,918        | 321,879          |
| November.....      | 102,614        | 39,553         | 109,040        | 410,449          | 100,561        | 45,724         | 120,253        | 388,973          |
| December.....      | 78,334         | 33,820         | 52,718         | 412,311          | 65,801         | 28,998         | 61,259         | 375,246          |
| <b>Totals.....</b> | <b>920,229</b> | <b>602,616</b> | <b>830,975</b> | <b>3,562,534</b> | <b>923,961</b> | <b>702,405</b> | <b>821,758</b> | <b>3,802,141</b> |

**Consumption of Animal Products.**—The figures of Table 17 give an indication of the standard of the diet of the people of Canada. Animal products such as meat, butter, and eggs are generally more pronounced in the diet of people with a high standard of living. In Canada there is a relatively high per capita consumption of beef, pork, butter, and eggs but a relatively low per capita consumption of mutton and lamb, and cheese. During the depression years, the per capita consumption of these products was not affected as much as might have been expected. Changes in the per capita consumption of various animal products occur as a result of changes in price relationships. These, in turn, are related to cycles of over- and under-production particularly marked in the case of the meat products of hogs and cattle. Beef and pork, particularly, interchange in leadership as regards the amount consumed, according to the price relationships between them. In 1937, 58·89 pounds of beef were consumed per capita as compared with 62·35 pounds of pork. In 1934, pork consumption was 66·12 pounds per capita and beef consumption 67·87 pounds per capita.

**17.—Production, Imports, Exports, and Total and Per Capita Consumption of Meats and Live-Stock Products in Canada, calendar years 1934-38.**

| Item.                             | 1934.       | 1935.       | 1936.       | 1937.       | 1938.* |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| <b>Beef and Veal—</b>             |             |             |             |             |        |
| Slaughtered in Canada..... No.    | 2,187,492   | 2,085,698   | 1,889,731   | 1,853,528   | 2      |
| Estimated dressed weight..... lb. | 758,809,660 | 722,672,790 | 670,854,505 | 658,002,440 | 2      |
| On hand, Jan. 1..... "            | 16,127,300  | 25,396,292  | 24,836,592  | 28,452,603  | 2      |
| Imports..... "                    | 196,258     | 13,959,458  | 12,179,356  | 11,786,650  | 2      |
| Exports..... "                    | 776,133,218 | 762,028,540 | 707,870,453 | 698,241,693 | 2      |
| On hand, Dec. 31..... "           | 15,092,200  | 13,512,600  | 12,418,300  | 17,285,200  | 2      |
| Totals, consumption..... "        | 780,041,018 | 748,518,940 | 695,454,153 | 680,976,493 | 2      |
| Consumption per capita..... "     | 25,396,292  | 24,836,592  | 25,452,603  | 26,109,401  | 2      |
| <b>Pork—</b>                      |             |             |             |             |        |
| Slaughtered in Canada..... No.    | 5,590,673   | 5,415,289   | 6,270,565   | 5,085,945   | 2      |
| Estimated dressed weight..... lb. | 838,600,960 | 812,293,350 | 940,594,750 | 897,891,750 | 2      |
| On hand, Jan. 1..... "            | 24,769,461  | 28,116,841  | 30,335,225  | 49,604,317  | 2      |
| Imports..... "                    | 4,147,727   | 430,348     | 2,877,456   | 2,068,526   | 2      |
| Exports..... "                    | 867,508,138 | 840,540,539 | 973,797,431 | 949,564,593 | 2      |
| On hand, Dec. 31..... "           | 123,750,200 | 132,435,300 | 174,492,800 | 219,141,500 | 2      |
| Totals, consumption..... "        | 743,757,938 | 708,408,239 | 799,304,631 | 730,423,093 | 2      |
| Consumption per capita..... "     | 28,116,841  | 30,335,225  | 49,604,317  | 37,116,948  | 2      |
| Totals, consumption..... "        | 715,641,097 | 678,070,014 | 749,700,314 | 698,306,144 | 2      |
| Consumption per capita..... "     | 66·12       | 62·01       | 67·98       | 62·35       | 2      |

\* For footnotes, see end of table, p. 595.