

**17.—Estimated Production and Value of Farm Eggs in Canada, 1930-39—concluded**

Province	Laying Hens	Average Production Per Hen	Total Egg Production	Price Per Dozen	Total Value
	No.	No.	doz.	cts.	\$
<b>1939</b>					
Prince Edward Island.....	395,000	91	2,995,000	17	509,000
Nova Scotia.....	502,000	94	3,932,000	23	904,000
New Brunswick.....	554,000	94	4,340,000	21	911,000
Quebec.....	3,437,000	116	33,224,000	22	7,309,000
Ontario.....	7,912,000	119	78,461,000	22	17,261,000
Manitoba.....	2,370,000	104	20,540,000	13	2,670,000
Saskatchewan.....	4,266,000	100	35,550,000	12	4,266,000
Alberta.....	2,915,000	100	24,292,000	13	3,158,000
British Columbia.....	1,673,000	132	18,403,000	22	4,049,000
<b>Totals, 1939.....</b>	<b>24,024,000</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>221,737,000</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>41,037,000</b>

The export movement of eggs to British Empire markets has increased considerably in recent years. In 1939, 1,024,070 doz. eggs were shipped to the United Kingdom, out of a total export of 1,274,327 doz. Imports have continued at a low level since 1930, when 2,908,340 doz. eggs in shell were imported into the Dominion. In 1935 the imports amounted to only 26,842 doz. and in 1939 they increased to 56,947 doz.

Eggs have always been a relatively popular diet with the Canadian people. In 1939 the disappearance of eggs in the Dominion amounted to 240,844,596 doz. representing a per capita consumption of 21.29 doz. These calculations are made by adding the estimated production of farm eggs, eggs elsewhere produced, imports, and stocks at the first of January, and deducting therefrom the exports during the year, and stocks on hand at the end of the year.

#### Subsection 4.—Dairying Statistics

There has been a steady increase in dairying in Canada in each decade of this century. In the present edition of the Year Book, statistics for the Dominion as a whole are given for the years 1935-39 and statistics for the provinces for the years 1938-39. Revised Dominion figures for 1930-34 appear at pp. 217-219 of the 1940 Year Book. Revised figures by provinces, covering the years 1935-39, will be found in "Dairying Statistics for Canada, 1939" (the 1938 edition of the same publication carries the revision back to 1934). A supplementary statement issued in September, 1939, gives revised figures by provinces for the years 1930-33, and, at the time of going to press, a further revision back to 1920, which will be published in the "Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics" in the course of the year 1941, was in course of preparation.

**Milk Production.**—In 1900 the estimate of milk production was 7,000,000,000 lb.; this increased to over 9,750,000,000 lb. in 1910. Ten years later, in 1920, the revised estimate amounted to 10,976,000,000 lb., and in 1930 the figures were 13,000,000,000 lb., while the increase during the present decade has been steady, with the exception, in 1939, of a very slight decrease, 0.2 p.c., from the 1938 revised data.

Of the total quantity of milk manufactured in 1939, 59.4 p.c. was used in the production of creamery butter, 23.0 p.c. in dairy butter, 13.0 p.c. in cheese, and 4.6 p.c. in concentrated milk products, ice cream and farm-made cheese.