Canadian wool imports during 1941, on a greasy basis, are estimated at 93,070,000 lb. The exceptionally high imports, as well as the greater production, resulted in an apparent consumption of 109,245,000 lb., which greatly exceeds that of any other year on record. The much higher consumption in 1940 and 1941 was due to the extensive use of wool in manufacturing uniforms for the armed services.

17.—Estimated Production, Exports, Imports and Apparent Consumption of Wool in Canada, 1930-41

Note.—All estimates are on a 'greasy' basis; the exports and imports shown in previous Year Books were only partly on a 'greasy' basis. Comparable statistics of production for the years 1920-29 are given at p. 219 of the 1939 Year Book.

Year	Shorn					(Tetal			
	Yield per Fleece	Total Yield Shorn	Price per lb.	Total Value Shorn	Pulled	Total Pro- duction	Exports	Imports	Apparent Con- sumption
	lb.	'000 lb.	cts.	\$	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 1ь.	'000 lb.	'000 1Ъ.
1930 1931 1932 1933 1934 1935 1936 1937 1938 1939 1939 1934 1940	7.0 7.1 7.1 6.9 7.1 7.2 7.2 7.3 7.5 7.4 7.5	12,800 13,575 14,027 13,308 13,135 13,320 13,057 13,271 13,386 13,569 13,822 14,511	11 8 5 10 10 11 14 15 11 13 19 22	1,392,0001,050,000722,0001,364,0001,255,0001,492,0001,861,0002,049,0001,865,0001,827,00012,696,00013,244,000	$\begin{array}{c} 3,852\\ 4,250\\ 4,087\\ 4,511\\ 4,443\\ 4,499\\ 4,374\\ 4,358\\ 4,309\\ 4,277\\ 4,386^{1}\\ 4,689\end{array}$	16,652 17,825 18,114 17,819 17,578 17,819 17,629 17,629 17,645 17,846 18,208 ¹ 19,200	4,424 4,805 3,769 11,671 4,295 8,755 9,775 5,093 4,398 4,879 2,681 3,025	24,093 29,339 30,599 42,682 41,800 47,551 59,128 60,375 45,101 51,933 86,170 93,070	36,321 42,359 44,944 48,830 55,083 56,615 66,784 72,911 58,398 64,900 101,697 109,245

¹ Revised since the publication of the 1941 Year Book.

* Subject to revision.

Subsection 4.—Dairying Statistics

The growth of the dairy industry during the past two decades has corresponded closely to the domestic demand created by an expanding population. During this period the consumption of whole milk has increased, and the large volume of butter now required in Canada has given this product a preferred position in the domestic economy of the Dominion. During the years prior to 1922 cheese was the principal dairy commodity being produced. Early in the century the output was over 200 million pounds, and in 1917, at the time of the First World War, approximately 195 million pounds of cheese was made in Canada, 86 p.c. of which was exported to the United Kingdom. At present, the need for cheese and concentrated milk products is greater than ever before and promises to give rise to fundamental changes in dairy production. Throughout the greater part of 1941 the output of dairy products was conditioned by price relationships, rather more favourable to butter than to cheese; but with price regulation as a part of government policy, the last quarter of 1941 showed a definite diversion of milk into cheese manufacture, the greater part of which is being exported to Britain.

Milk Production.—The 1941 farm milk supply of 16,752,823,400 lb. represented an increase of approximately 500 million pounds over the preceding year. This gain was made from 3,886,100 cows (8,600 less than the number recorded in the previous year) so that after allowing for dry cows in dairy herds the total supply