

Poultry Products.—The expansion of the poultry industry in Canada during the past four years has been an important war-time development. The shipment of eggs to the United Kingdom (mostly in the form of egg powder) has provided much-needed food supplies for the British people. Both poultry and eggs have also been shipped in large quantities to supply the Canadian Armed Forces overseas. Producers of poultry products have made a splendid response to this demand. It will be seen from Table 14 that the population of hens and chickens as shown at June 1, 1943, was 15 p.c. above that of the same date in 1942. There was a decline in turkeys, geese and ducks but, regardless of this recession, total poultry showed an increase of 7 p.c. The production of poultry meat in 1943 was 263,000,000 lb. as compared with 259,000,000 lb. in 1942. Farm egg production was estimated at 315,000,000 doz. as against 280,000,000 doz. in the previous year, and the average

14.—Numbers, Prices and Values of Farm Poultry in Canada, 1934-43, and by Provinces, 1942 and 1943

Year	Total Poultry ¹			Hens and Chickens			Turkeys		
	Number at June 1	Value per Bird	Total Value	Number at June 1	Value per Bird	Total Value	Number at June 1	Value per Bird	Total Value
		\$	\$		\$	\$		\$	\$
Totals—									
1934...	59,719,100	0.59	35,495,000	55,429,500	0.55	30,529,000	2,713,100	1.26	3,592,000
1935...	56,884,600	0.72	40,713,200	53,062,900	0.65	34,570,000	2,347,200	1.88	4,532,000
1936...	59,473,363	0.69	40,784,400	55,769,406	0.63	35,040,000	2,326,233	1.77	4,260,000
1937...	57,727,300	0.75	43,522,100	53,982,900	0.69	37,335,000	2,364,100	1.90	4,619,000
1938...	56,952,900	0.75	42,621,000	53,090,300	0.68	36,226,000	2,581,800	1.89	4,943,000
1939...	61,139,800	0.76	46,459,700	56,804,900	0.70	39,590,000	3,041,900	1.76	5,406,000
1940...	63,190,600	0.80	50,627,600	58,712,400	0.73	42,760,000	3,163,900	1.97	6,291,000
1941...	63,384,148	0.91	57,381,100	58,864,389	0.83	48,891,000	3,203,804	2.11	6,820,000
1942...	73,813,200	1.05	77,649,600	68,105,800	0.95	65,471,000	4,214,500	2.40	10,146,000
1943...	79,134,000	1.35	106,295,500	74,960,500	1.29	95,760,000	2,861,900	2.83	8,092,000
P.E.I.—									
1942...	1,046,000	1.06	1,106,000	1,000,000	1.01	1,010,000	16,000	2.85	46,000
1943...	1,094,400	1.40	1,531,500	1,063,300	1.37	1,457,000	13,400	3.15	42,000
N.S.—									
1942...	1,414,500	1.15	1,620,400	1,386,800	1.12	1,554,000	12,500	3.10	39,000
1943...	1,626,700	1.52	2,473,800	1,601,000	1.50	2,402,000	12,200	3.25	40,000
N.B.—									
1942...	1,376,300	1.15	1,580,800	1,313,000	1.08	1,418,000	46,500	2.90	134,000
1943...	1,597,600	1.49	2,383,900	1,549,600	1.45	2,247,000	31,700	3.20	101,000
Que.—									
1942...	9,407,600	1.13	10,643,000	9,116,000	1.09	9,936,000	204,500	2.80	573,000
1943...	9,831,500	1.38	13,526,200	9,654,900	1.35	13,034,000	119,200	3.17	378,000
Ont.—									
1942...	24,621,800	1.16	28,590,500	23,325,300	1.10	25,658,000	685,400	2.87	1,967,000
1943...	26,692,800	1.46	39,011,100	25,403,100	1.40	35,564,000	668,300	3.25	2,172,000
Man.—									
1942...	8,333,600	1.01	8,423,700	7,239,700	0.85	6,154,000	883,700	2.30	2,033,000
1943...	8,734,800	1.30	11,325,900	8,052,000	1.20	9,662,000	511,600	2.70	1,382,000
Sask.—									
1942...	14,957,900	0.92	13,719,600	13,127,000	0.75	9,845,000	1,616,000	2.25	3,635,000
1943...	15,920,200	1.19	18,920,600	14,873,000	1.10	16,360,000	889,000	2.60	2,311,000
Alta.—									
1942...	9,608,600	0.93	8,945,200	8,630,000	0.82	7,077,000	696,600	2.23	1,553,000
1943...	10,005,400	1.25	12,467,100	9,202,000	1.15	10,582,000	570,200	2.65	1,511,000
B.C.—									
1942...	3,046,900	0.99	3,020,400	2,968,000	0.95	2,819,000	53,300	3.10	166,000
1943...	3,626,700	1.28	4,645,400	3,561,600	1.25	4,452,000	46,300	3.35	155,000

¹ Includes geese and ducks.