

19.—Domestic Disappearance of Eggs and Poultry in Canada, 1941-46, and by Kind of Poultry, 1944-46

Type and Year	Farm Production ¹	Elsewhere Produced	Total Production	Total Supply	Domestic Disappearance	Per Capita Consumption ²
	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.	doz.
Eggs—						
1941.....	235,912,000	15,000,000	250,912,000	255,291,498	234,006,649	20.34
1942.....	270,865,000	15,000,000	285,865,000	290,900,527	256,788,735	22.03
1943.....	304,699,000	17,500,000	322,199,000	327,958,454	279,754,361	23.68
1944.....	348,316,000	20,000,000	368,316,000	375,428,000	291,681,103 ³	24.36
1945.....	360,864,000	20,000,000	380,864,000	407,908,000	283,219,436 ³	23.37
1946.....	328,210,900	20,000,000	348,210,900	366,724,300	296,699,700	24.12
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
All Poultry—						
1941.....	220,007,000	14,895,000	234,902,000	247,289,308 ⁴	224,733,473 ⁴	19.53
1942.....	258,650,000	14,895,000	273,545,000	294,201,395 ⁴	274,198,343 ⁴	23.52
1943.....	265,308,000	16,000,000	281,308,000	295,870,885 ⁴	260,870,888 ⁴	22.85
1944.....	315,176,000	18,000,000	333,176,000	358,419,089 ⁴	315,156,514 ⁴	26.32
1945.....	307,089,400 ³	18,000,000	325,089,400 ³	349,738,603 ⁴	322,207,900 ^{3,4}	26.59 ⁴
1946.....	305,877,100	18,000,000	323,877,100	344,329,000	311,092,900	25.29
Fowl and chickens—						
1944.....	272,340,000	16,400,000	288,740,000	307,963,808	270,037,094	22.55
1945.....	264,543,600	16,400,000	280,943,600	301,366,500	276,070,100 ³	22.78 ³
1946.....	266,390,400	16,400,000	282,790,400	297,859,300	269,094,800	21.88
Turkeys—						
1944.....	32,480,000	1,300,000	33,780,000	37,828,840	34,012,653	2.84
1945.....	32,438,400	1,300,000	33,738,400	37,503,400	35,532,900 ³	2.93
1946.....	29,994,000	1,300,000	31,294,000	36,524,800	32,227,900	2.62
Geese—						
1944.....	6,064,000	200,000	6,264,000	6,518,392	6,337,228	0.53
1945.....	5,911,000	200,000	6,111,000	6,281,800	6,167,700	0.51
1946.....	5,677,000	200,000	5,877,000	5,946,500	5,844,400	0.48
Ducks—						
1944.....	4,292,000	100,000	4,392,000	4,635,125	4,299,844	0.36
1945.....	4,196,400 ³	100,000	4,296,400 ³	4,586,900 ³	4,437,200 ³	0.37 ³
1946.....	3,815,700	100,000	3,915,700	3,998,400	3,925,800	0.31

¹ Excludes eggs used for hatching.² Based on estimates of population given at p. 100.³ Revised since the publication of the 1946 Year Book.⁴ Includes stocks of unclassified poultry and poultry in transit not shown in the various classifications.

Subsection 6.—Dairying

The development of dairying enterprises which commenced at the beginning of the War reached a peak in 1945. Milk production on farms was stimulated by producer subsidies during the entire war period, while payment of consumer subsidies tended to increase the sales of fluid milk for direct consumption. During the six-year period, 1939 to 1945, milk production increased approximately 1,800,000,000 lb. and the industry as a whole made an immense contribution to the food supplies of both Canada and the United Kingdom. After the collapse of Germany in May, 1945, production suffered from a reactionary development which became more pronounced after the final cessation of hostilities in August. The retreat from dairying in the Prairie Provinces following the bountiful harvest of 1944 with higher prices paid for grain and live stock, and the cumulative effects of the labour shortage, all played a part in halting the upward swing in dairying production in the Western domain. On the other hand, dairying continued to expand in Eastern Canada, so that no decline was shown in the total output for Canada until 1946.