

Consumption of Meats.—The supply, distribution and per capita consumption of meats and lard are given in detail in Table 35. The per capita estimates represent the consumption of the civilian population only. In order to arrive at a proper comparison of meat consumption during 1940-45 with the years before the War, figures of supply were revised to compensate for amounts of meat used for non-civilian purposes. These deductions included purchases by the Department of Munitions and Supply for the Army, Navy and Air Force, supplies for ships' stores, Red Cross parcels and other similar uses.

The Canadian population figures used to arrive at the per capita consumption estimates were also adjusted for the members of the Armed Forces serving outside Canada and living in barracks in Canada. All estimates in Table 35 are on a carcass weight basis except canned meats which are in terms of the product.

35.—Supply, Distribution and Civilian Consumption of Meats and Lard, 1943-47, with Averages, 1935-39

Item	Average 1935-39	1943	1944	1945	1946 ¹	1947 ²
Beef—						
Animals slaughtered in Canada. '000	1,347.0	1,803.9	1,953.7	2,420.1	2,266.3	2,100.6
Estimated dressed weight ³ '000 lb.	618,556	863,175	932,831	1,119,662	1,053,339	962,801
On hand, Jan. 1.	22,684	29,204	35,637	31,831	40,842	30,642
Imports ⁴	158 ⁵	375	23	2	6	8
Totals, Supply.	641,398	892,754	968,491	1,151,495	1,094,187	993,451
Exports ⁴	10,899	13,549	107,411	194,754	136,063	48,838
Used for canning.	1,406	5,993	14,181	116,302	88,480	49,580
On hand, Dec. 31.	24,040	35,637	31,831	40,842	30,642	43,056
Used by non-civilians.	Nil	63,418	64,546	65,000	18,218	Nil
TOTALS, CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION	605,053	774,157	750,522	734,597	820,784	851,977
Civilian consumption per capita. lb.	54.7	69.3	66.6	64.6	67.4	67.7
Veal—						
Animals slaughtered in Canada. '000	1,333.6	1,204.0	1,373.0	1,493.8	1,464.8	1,393.3
Estimated dressed weight ³ '000 lb.	116,372	118,209	125,993	141,391	132,022	126,426
On hand, Jan. 1.	3,452	2,308	5,419	5,155	5,348	3,438
Imports.	6	6	6	6	6	6
Totals, Supply.	119,824	120,517	131,412	146,546	137,370	129,864
Exports.	Nil	6	6	6	6	6
Used for canning.	22	23	25	2,195	5,459	2,893
On hand, Dec. 31.	3,785	5,419	5,155	5,348	3,438	6,743
Used by non-civilians.	Nil	1,451	2,735	4,000	481	Nil
TOTALS, CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION	116,017	113,624	123,497	135,003	127,992	120,228
Civilian consumption per capita. lb.	10.5	10.2	11.0	11.9	10.5	9.6
Pork—						
Animals slaughtered in Canada. '000	5,165.1	10,550.8	11,421.5	8,683.7	7,896.3	7,586.0
Estimated dressed weight ⁷ '000 lb.	620,522	1,394,400	1,503,257	1,111,607	993,471	972,089
On hand, Jan. 1.	34,511	55,650	85,472	48,852	33,072	38,705
Imports ⁴	7,394	2,306	665	17	726	5,891
Totals, Supply.	662,427	1,452,356	1,589,394	1,160,476	1,027,269	1,016,685
Exports ⁴	179,630	587,475	717,714	462,049	297,871	248,291
Used for canning.	4,495	53,764	91,438	46,116	52,143	48,072
On hand, Dec. 31.	37,863	85,472	48,852	33,072	38,705	57,514
Used by non-civilians.	Nil	44,088	39,948	40,000	6,506	Nil
TOTALS, CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION	440,439	681,557	691,442	579,239	632,044	662,808
Civilian consumption per capita. lb.	39.9	61.0	61.4	50.9	51.9	52.7

For footnotes, see end of table.