

24.—Domestic Disappearance of Eggs and Poultry in Canada, 1946-48

Type and Year	Farm Production	Elsewhere Produced	Total Production	Total Supply	Domestic Disappearance	Per Capita Consumption
	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	doz.
Eggs—						
1946.....	323,563	28,778	352,341	368,453	296,829 ¹	23·27 ²
1947.....	373,696 ^r	33,650 ^r	407,376 ^r	417,676 ^r	317,260 ^{1r}	24·04 ^{2r}
1948.....	356,166	32,413	388,579	402,872	311,642 ¹	23·50 ²
Fowl and Chickens—	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	lb.
1946.....	232,250	18,956	251,206	266,275	237,127	19·33
1947.....	257,095 ^r	21,066 ^r	278,161 ^r	305,098 ^r	266,367 ^r	21·17 ^r
1948.....	209,334	17,797	227,131	256,308	203,690	15·88
Turkeys—						
1946.....	26,653	955	27,608	32,839	28,760	2·35
1947.....	37,551 ^r	1,809 ^r	39,360 ^r	45,575 ^r	38,544 ^r	3·06 ^r
1948.....	33,881	1,552	35,433	41,490	36,395	2·84
Geese—						
1946.....	4,195	120	4,315	4,384	4,276	0·35
1947.....	4,627 ^r	148 ^r	4,775 ^r	4,883 ^r	4,785 ^r	0·38 ^r
1948.....	4,017	131	4,148	4,246	4,148	0·32
Ducks—						
1946.....	2,073	64	2,137	2,220	2,146	0·17
1947.....	2,116 ^r	82 ^r	2,198 ^r	2,272 ^r	2,155 ^r	0·17 ^r
1948.....	2,094	86	2,180	2,297	2,214	0·17
All Poultry—						
1946.....	265,171	20,095	285,266	305,718	272,309	22·20
1947.....	301,359 ^r	23,105 ^r	324,494 ^r	357,828 ^r	311,851 ^r	24·78 ^r
1948.....	249,326	19,566	268,892	304,341	246,447	19·21

¹ Includes hatching eggs.² Excludes hatching eggs.

Subsection 7.—Dairying

Production and Utilization of Milk.—While total milk production has not varied significantly since 1940 there has been considerable increase in population and in consumer spending power which has resulted in slight shifts in the milk utilization pattern. Total estimated production in 1948 was 16,645,141,000 lb., a decline of almost 600,000,000 lb. from 1947 and of nearly 875,000,000 lb. from 1943. However, the quantity used for factory production in 1948 was 12 p.c. less than in 1943 and fluid trade requirements increased 8 p.c. While cheese production fell off markedly and creamery butter decreased slightly in 1948 from the previous year, there was a considerable increase in the production of concentrated milk products.

Farm Value of Milk Production.—Gross farm value of milk production at \$484,942,000 in 1948 increased 20 p.c. over 1947 and was approximately 63 p.c. greater than in 1943. The upward trend of prices for dairy products was reflected in a steady advance in farm values of milk production since 1939. The gross value in 1948 was more than three times the average gross value of annual production during the five-year period 1935-39.