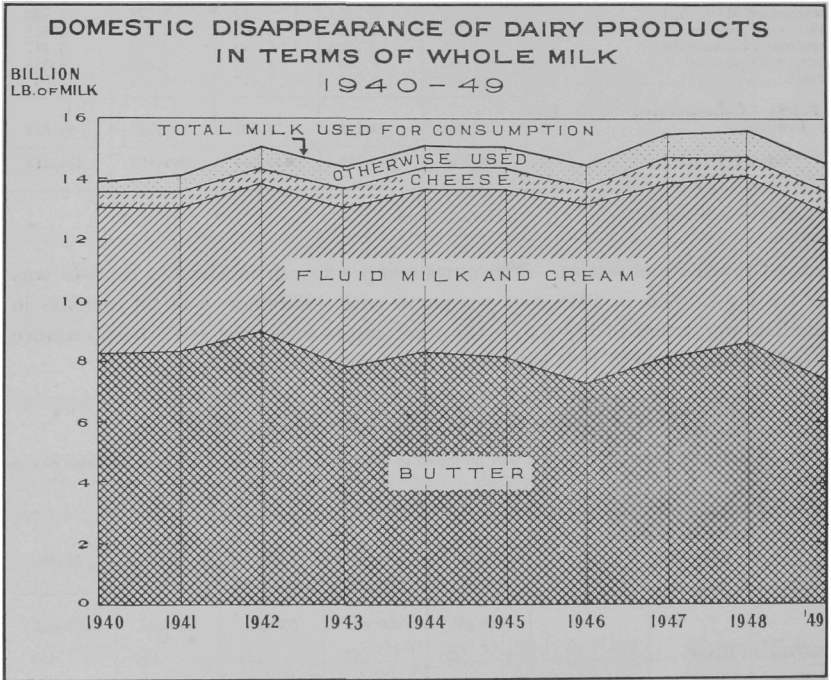


Domestic Disappearance of Dairy Products.—The estimated consumption of milk and cream, on a milk basis, amounted to 4,357,000,000 pt. in 1949, an increase of 95,000,000 pt. as compared with 1948 and of 503,000,000 pt. as compared with 1942. The average daily consumption per capita was 0·91 pt. in 1949, the same as in 1948. The combined consumption of milk and cream reached a peak of 1·02 pt. in 1945 and 1946 when subsidies were in effect.

The domestic disappearance of butter in 1949 (creamery, dairy and whey) was approximately 315,338,000 lb. as compared with 370,153,000 lb. in 1948 and 336,671,000 lb. in 1943. Per capita figures for these years were 23·43 lb., 28·73 lb. and 29·25 lb., respectively.



The domestic disappearance of cheese (including other factory cheese made from whole milk and farm-made cheese) was approximately 58,740,000 lb. in 1949, an average of 4·36 lb. per capita. This was a 13 p.c. increase over the previous year when the disappearance was 51,884,000 lb. or 4·03 lb. per capita.

The domestic disappearance of concentrated whole-milk products decreased slightly, moving down to 16·43 lb. per capita in 1949 from 17·48 lb. per capita in 1948; milk by-products moved up to 5·10 lb. in 1949 from 4·37 lb. in 1948.

Domestic disappearance of all dairy products represented the equivalent of approximately 1,083 lb. of milk per capita in 1949 compared with 1,212 lb. in 1948.