

The Canada Department of Agriculture inspects all livestock in plants designated as inspected establishments under the Meat and Canned Foods Act. A record is kept of these inspections and figures from 1956 are given in Table 13. Local wholesale butcherings and slaughtering carried out by retail butchers and by farmers for their own use are not included. Actually, the slaughtering and meat packing industry is concentrated in a comparatively small number of large establishments to facilitate greater efficiency and utilization of products; thus the figures of Table 13 are fairly inclusive.

Almost 13 p.c. more cattle were slaughtered in inspected establishments in 1965 than in 1964, and slaughtering of calves were up 19 p.c. On the other hand, slaughtering of sheep and lambs declined by 17.7 p.c. and slaughtering of hogs by 3.1 p.c.

13.—Livestock Slaughtered at Inspected Establishments, 1956-65

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Year	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Hogs
	No.	No.	No.	No.
1956.....	1,874,363	891,615	599,974	5,548,289
1957.....	1,986,251	887,102	581,903	4,971,477
1958.....	1,889,280	784,787	548,976	5,963,928
1959.....	1,744,185	676,571	569,746	8,020,766
1960.....	1,941,703	712,100	562,678	6,182,315
1961.....	2,041,473	690,286	633,347	5,849,875
1962.....	2,028,159	710,229	567,463	6,031,933
1963.....	2,126,716	671,390	532,015	5,909,506
1964.....	2,422,260	750,319	497,686	6,627,600
1965.....	2,784,514	894,728	409,783	6,421,226

Poultry.—Poultry on farms and their values in 1964 and 1965 compared with 1956 are given in Table 14; production and consumption of poultry meat are included in Table 15.

14.—Numbers and Values of Poultry on Farms, by Province, as at June 1, 1956, 1964 and 1965

Province and Year	Hens and Chickens		Turkeys		Geese		Ducks		All Poultry	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000
Newfoundland.....									..	
Prince Edward Is. 1956	812	795	14	33	9	22	5	7	840	837
1964	445	475	9	49	4	15	2	3	480	542
1965	435	448	10	51	6	22	2	5	453	526
Nova Scotia..... 1956	1,909	2,600	54	165	3	8	2	3	1,968	2,776
1964	2,110	2,323	47	231	1	3	1	2	2,153	2,359
1965	2,210	2,403	70	360	1	4	1	2	2,282	2,769
New Brunswick.... 1956	1,125	1,384	45	150	4	12	2	3	1,176	1,549
1964	1,070	1,344	15	77	1	4	1	1	1,087	1,426
1965	1,150	1,346	31	161	1	3	1	2	1,182	1,512
Quebec..... 1956	10,882	12,157	632	2,023	12	37	45	69	11,571	14,286
1964	13,640	13,564	710	3,330	10	36	67	126	14,427	17,056
1965	14,860	13,401	900	4,068	8	28	60	116	15,823	17,613
Ontario..... 1956	24,934	26,040	1,415	4,273	96	231	124	153	26,560	30,697
1964	24,450	22,928	2,910	14,696	78	312	133	261	27,571	38,197
1965	23,665	23,294	3,400	16,286	55	217	140	287	27,260	40,064