

pertaining to establishment of marketing agencies. It reviews their operations, assists them in promoting more effective marketing of farm products, and co-ordinates related activities of provincial governments as well as efforts of producers to establish marketing plans. Membership of the NFPMC includes representatives of consumer, labour and business interests.

The first national agency formed under the act, the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency, commenced operation in June 1973 and the second, the Canadian Turkey Marketing Agency, in March 1974. These federal agencies work in conjunction with provincial egg and turkey boards; they do not deal directly with producers.

Operation of these agencies has led to a great deal of interest on the part of producers of other commodities to establish such organizations. The NFPMC has been approached by representatives of producers of corn, tobacco, pregnant mares' urine and various fruits and vegetables. Proposals to establish a national marketing agency were received from the Canadian broiler council, representing broiler chicken producers. These various groups have indicated support for the concept of supply management being applied at the national level.

During 1975-76 there were 108 provincially authorized marketing boards operating in Canada, including the milk control boards which have a lesser degree of producer control than the others, as well as the earlier mentioned federal boards. Boards are established in all provinces, led by Quebec with 25 and Ontario with 21. An estimated 64% of 1975 farm cash income was received from sales made under the jurisdiction of marketing boards. A variety of agricultural commodities were sold under marketing boards, including grains, hogs, milk, fruit, potatoes and other vegetables, tobacco, poultry, eggs, wood, soybeans, honey, maple products and pulpwood. At year end 1976, the federal government had delegated authority to 79 provincial boards to control marketing of their products in interprovincial and export trade.

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