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LIQUID AND DRIED EGG PRODUCTION
March 1942

Liquid egg production in March by commercial egg breaking plants is estimated at 80,237,000 pounds, compared with 43,138,000 pounds in March last year. Of this amount, 42,686,000 pounds were frozen, compared with 39,386,000 in February last year, and 3,851,000 pounds were used for immediate consumption, compared with 2,326,000 pounds a year earlier. The remaining amount of 33,700,000 pounds was used for drying. This amount plus the eggs broken out by strictly egg drying plants, produced in March 18,308,462 pounds of dried eggs, compared with 2,539,312 pounds in March last year.

Practically all of the dried egg production is in the whole form. The production of dried albumen in March was 76 percent less than the total produced in March last year and the production of dried yolks was 40 percent less. The Agricultural Marketing Administration accepted offers on 26,633,875 pounds of dried eggs in March. Offers accepted April 1 to April 16 totaled 42,144,285 pounds.

Frozen Egg Production, 1941

The production of frozen eggs in 1941 totaled 237,182,000 pounds, exceeding the amount frozen in 1940 by 47,604,000 pounds or 25 percent. The total frozen last year was probably the largest in the history of the industry. Storage stocks of frozen eggs on August 1, 1941, totaled 195,097,000 pounds, the largest of record for that date -- exceeding the previous high holdings of August 1, 1937 by 28,221,000 pounds.

In order to have available large quantities of eggs for drying purposes during the latter part of 1942, the amount of eggs frozen this year is expected to be considerably larger than last year. Estimates for the first 3 months of 1942 showed a production of 59,387,000 pounds. This compares with a production of 48,441,000 pounds during the same period in 1941.

Liquid Egg Production, March 1941-42 ^{1/}

	March 1941	March 1942	Percent change in 1942
	<u>Thous. pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>
Whole eggs	12,251	45,414	+270
Mixed eggs (emulsions, also with sugar, salt, etc.)	3,278	9,067	+176
Egg whites (all descriptions)	14,667	14,202	- 3
Without salt, sugar, etc.	4,616	3,530	- 24
Egg yolks	6,255	4,975	- 20
With salt	1,985	3,049	+ 54
packed All yolk emulsions, in- cluding glycerine	86	-	-
Total	43,138	80,237	+ 86

^{1/} Preliminary

(See tables on back)

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Dried Egg Production, March 1941-42

Commodity	Total reported for March 1942 <u>Pounds</u>	Same Firm Comparison		
		March 1941 <u>Pounds</u>	March 1942 <u>Pounds</u>	Percent change in 1942 <u>Percent</u>
Whole.....	17,223,431	126,276	17,223,431	+13,540
Albumen.....	240,893	999,460	240,893	- 76
Yolks.....	844,138	1,413,576	844,138	- 40
Total	18,308,462	2,539,312	18,308,462	+ 621
Firms reporting	49	49		

Frozen Egg Production 1940-42

Month	1940 <u>Pounds</u>	1941 <u>Pounds</u>	1942 ^{1/} <u>Pounds</u>
January	707,000	915,000	3,075,000
February	733,000	8,140,000	13,626,000
March	29,481,000	39,386,000	42,686,000
April	44,029,000	46,826,000	
May	53,662,000	53,303,000	
June	41,283,000	46,560,000	
July	12,749,000	26,555,000	
August	5,115,000	9,848,000	
September	1,249,000	2,845,000	
October	249,000	1,951,000	
November	216,000	588,000	
December	105,000	265,000	
Total	189,573,000	237,182,000	

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