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LIQUID AND DRIED EGG PRODUCTION
 January 1942

Liquid egg production in January is estimated at 17,881,000 pounds, compared with 2,178,000 pounds in January last year, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports. Approximately three-fourths of this quantity went for drying purposes.

Statistics on egg breaking operations this year must be evaluated from a new viewpoint. Comparison with statistics of other years are no longer significant due to the large expansion in egg breaking operations to fulfill requirements for dried eggs. The liquid eggs necessary to produce dried eggs may reach 600,000,000 pounds this year compared with only 26,000,000 pounds in 1940.

Egg production is increasing seasonally and all egg breaking plants will soon be in full production. The number of layers on farms January 1 was about 12 percent larger than on the same date last year and hens are expected to produce in 1942 the largest output of eggs of record. Practically all of the present production of egg breaking plants is from eggs produced currently. Only small quantities of storage eggs were broken in January.

The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation accepted offers on 10,550,230 pounds of dried eggs in January. Offers accepted February 1 to 12 totaled 6,434,060 pounds. Reports from 25 firms that dried eggs in January showed a production of 6,560,002 pounds compared with only 64,550 pounds in January 1941. A few firms are not now reporting their production to the Department, so that the total quantity produced in January will exceed that amount.

Storage stocks of frozen eggs on February 1 totaled 74,324,000 pounds compared with 53,828,000 pounds on February 1 last year and 59,025,000 pounds, the January (1937-1941) average. Included in the above figures were 13,946,000 pounds owned by the Surplus Marketing Administration and Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation. The quantity removed from storage during January was 21,214,000 pounds compared with 18,870,000 pounds a year earlier. The firms reporting stocks of dried eggs on February 1 showed that out of a total of 4,690,812 pounds only 350,848 pounds remained unsold.

Liquid Egg Production, January 1941-42 1/

	January 1941	January 1942	Percent change in 1942
	<u>Thous. pounds</u>	<u>Thous. pounds</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Whole eggs	1,159	16,754	+1345
Mixed eggs (emulsions, also with sugar, salt, etc.)	52	54	+ 4
Egg whites (all descriptions)	514	608	+ 18
Without sale, sugar, etc.	307	429	+ 40
Egg yolks	100	18	- 82
With salt	46	18	- 61
packed All yolk emulsions, in- cluding glycerine	-	-	-
Total	2,178	17,881	+ 721

Dried Egg Production, January 1941-42

Commodity	Total Reported for January 1942 <u>Pounds</u>	Same Firm Comparison		Percent change in 1942 <u>Percent</u>
		January 1941 <u>Pounds</u>	January 1942 <u>Pounds</u>	
Whole.....	6,526,937	0	6,526,937	-
Albumen.....	21,690	21,673	21,690	-
Yolks.....	11,375	42,877	11,375	- 73
TOTAL	6,560,002	64,550	6,560,002	+10,063
Firms reporting	25	25		

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