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SUMMARY OF STORAGE HOLDINGS ON MARCH 1, 1918.

The monthly report of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, shows storage holdings of Dairy Products and Eggs on March 1, 1918, as follows:

CREAMERY BUTTER

The 386 storages that reported showed total stocks of 18,808,303 pounds. The 333 storages reporting for March 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 18,168,209 pounds compared with 16,952,367 pounds last year, an increase of 7.2 per cent. The 357 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 8,125,818 pounds or 31.1 per cent, while the 296 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 14,442,559 pounds or 46.1 per cent.

PACKING STOCK BUTTER

The 137 storages that reported showed total stocks of 862,434 pounds. The 105 storages reporting for March 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 573,429 pounds compared with 867,872 pounds last year, a decrease of 33.9 per cent. The 130 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 678,166 pounds or 44.2 per cent, while the 93 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 796,509 pounds or 48.2 per cent.

AMERICAN CHEESE

The 483 storages that reported showed total stocks of 48,183,037 pounds. The 413 storages reported for March 1 this year and last, show present holdings of 41,612,500 pounds compared with 15,559,803 pounds last year, an increase of 167.4 per cent. The 448 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 12,478,538 pounds or 20.7 per cent, while the 371 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 7,692,721 pounds or 33.6 per cent.

CASE EGGS.

The 423 storages that reported showed total stocks of 17,355 cases. The 374 storages reporting for March 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 15,583 cases compared with 6,891 cases last year.

FROZEN EGGS.

The 191 storages that reported showed total stocks of 9,807,780 pounds. The 145 storages reporting for March 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 8,613,507 pounds compared with 1,334,129 pounds last year, an increase of 545.6 per cent. The 181 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 2,522,022 pounds or 20.5 per cent, while the 125 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 608,862 pounds or 35.4 per cent.

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF CREAMERY BUTTER, MARCH 1, 1918.

Reports from 386 cold storages show that their rooms contain 18,808,303 pounds of CREAMERY BUTTER while on February 1, 384 storages reported 26,617,921 pounds. The 333 storages that reported holdings on March 1, of this year and last, show a present stock of 18,168,209 pounds as compared with 16,952,367 pounds last year, an increase of 1,215,842 pounds or 7.2 per cent. The reports show that during February the February 1 holdings decreased 31.1 per cent, while our last report showed that during January the January 1 holdings decreased 48.5 per cent. Last year the decrease during February was 46.1 per cent and during January the decrease was 34.3 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on March 12. As a number of firms have not responded to our inquiries, this report does not include all holdings. Upon request any or all of the information contained in the cold storage reports will be telegraphed immediately upon its release. These reports are free, except for the telegrams, which are sent charges collect.

SECTION	Total Holdings March 1, 1918.		COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS			
	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917 Pounds	March 1, 1918 Pounds	Increase or Decrease (per cent)
New England	28	4,995,273	23	5,073,306	4,981,724	- 1.8
Middle Atlantic	93	7,830,657	86	6,336,538	7,822,689	+23.5
South Atlantic	42	830,851	35	153,989	802,281	+421.0
N. Central (E)	62	3,777,997	49	4,521,168	3,239,309	-28.4
N. Central (W)	51	2,541,133	56	1,333,333	512,241	+17.9
South Central	40	301,427	35	158,333	299,421	+89.1
Western (N)	29	259,323	23	140,963	240,368	+70.5
Western (S)	31	254,018	26	108,060	240,176	+122.3
TOTAL	386	18,808,303	333	16,952,367	18,168,209	+ 7.2

	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on percentage basis	Increase or decrease (Pounds)
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1918 and March 1, 1918	357	26,160,246	100.0	
	357	18,034,428	68.9	- 8,125,818
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917 and March 1, 1917	296	31,344,294	100.0	
	296	16,901,735	53.9	-14,442,559
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1918 and February 1, 1918	343	43,191,036	100.0	
	343	22,249,328	51.5	-20,941,708
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1917 and February 1, 1917	286	44,136,914	100.0	
	286	29,004,097	65.7	-15,132,817

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF PACKING STOCK BUTTER, MARCH 1, 1918.

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	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917 Pounds	March 1, 1918 Pounds	Increase or Decrease (per cent)
New England	1	75	0	0	0	--
Middle Atlantic	17	65,875	12	212,770	65,215	- 69.3
South Atlantic	12	124,160	11	50,643	121,487	+139.9
N. Central (E)	37	364,986	27	65,919	136,622	+107.3
N. Central (W)	46	220,319	39	528,738	206,058	- 61.0
South Central	14	36,126	8	7,494	2,216	- 70.4
Western (N)	6	31,607	5	2,308	31,545	+1266.8
Western (S)	4	19,266	3	0	10,266	--
TOTAL	137	862,434	105	867,872	573,429	- 33.9

	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on percentage basis	Increase or decrease (Pounds)
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1918 and March 1, 1918	130	1,535,997	100.0	
	130	857,831	55.8	- 678,166
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917 and March 1, 1917	93	1,653,091	100.0	
	93	856,582	51.8	- 796,509
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1918 and February 1, 1918	114	1,578,784	100.0	
	114	1,358,179	86.0	- 220,605
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1917 and February 1, 1917	76	1,785,216	100.0	
	76	1,617,738	90.6	- 167,478

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF AMERICAN CHEESE, MARCH 1, 1918.

Reports from 483 cold storages show that their rooms contain 48,183,037 pounds of AMERICAN CHEESE while on February 1, 477 storages reported 60,726,428 pounds. The 413 storages that reported holdings on March 1 of this year and last show a present stock of 41,612,500 pounds as compared with 15,559,603 pounds last year, an increase of 26,052,897 pounds or 167.4 per cent. The reports show that during February, the February 1 holdings decreased 20.8 per cent, while our last report showed that during January the January 1 holdings decreased 16.7 per cent. Last year the decrease during February was 33.6 per cent and the decrease during January was 35.2 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on March 12. As a few storages have not responded to our inquiries, this report does not include all holdings. Upon request, any or all of the information contained in the cold storage reports will be telegraphed immediately upon its release. These reports are free, except for the telegrams, which are sent charges collect.

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	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917, Pounds	March 1, 1918, Pounds	Increase or Decrease (per cent)
New England	25	3,286,622	19	1,442,657	3,048,520	+111.3
Middle Atlantic	106	17,117,795	98	5,700,602	17,054,574	+199.2
South Atlantic	42	338,249	36	228,676	257,124	+ 12.4
North Central (E)	114	20,610,527	95	4,774,473	14,624,356	+206.3
North Central (W)	70	1,445,174	62	927,886	1,397,262	+ 50.6
South Central	60	1,041,350	49	306,335	1,013,157	+230.7
Western (N)	29	733,552	24	387,213	666,446	+ 72.1
Western (S)	37	3,609,768	30	1,791,761	3,551,051	+ 98.2
TOTAL	483	48,183,037	413	15,559,603	41,612,500	+167.4

	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on Percentage basis	Increase or decrease (pounds)
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1918 and March 1, 1918	448 448	60,204,975 47,726,437	100.0 79.3	- 12,478,538
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917 and March 1, 1917	371 371	22,912,963 15,220,242	100.0 66.4	- 7,692,721
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1918 and February 1, 1918	432 432	67,011,022 55,837,977	100.0 83.3	- 11,173,045
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1917 and February 1, 1917	353 353	31,172,506 20,189,960	100.0 64.8	- 10,982,546

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF FROZEN EGGS, MARCH 1, 1918.

Reports from 191 cold storages show that their rooms contain 9,807,780 pounds of FROZEN EGGS while on February 1, 189 storages reported 12,308,283 pounds. The 145 storages that reported for March 1, of this year and last show a present stock of 8,613,507 pounds as compared with 1,334,129 pounds last year; an increase of 7,279,378 pounds or 545.6 per cent. The reports show that during February the February 1 holdings decreased 20.5 per cent, while our last report showed that during January the January 1 holdings decreased 16.5 per cent. Last year the decrease during February was 35.4 per cent and the decrease during January was 38.0 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on March 12. As a few storages have not responded to our inquiries, this report does not include all holdings. Upon request any or all of the information contained in the cold storage reports will be telegraphed immediately upon its release. These reports are free, except for the telegrams, which are sent charges collect.

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	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917 Pounds	March 1, 1918 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
New England	15	511,553	8	229,508	377,287	+ 64.4
Middle Atlantic	39	4,185,572	28	607,191	3,710,886	+511.2
South Atlantic	10	470,285	8	129,300	364,502	+181.9
N. Central (E)	44	2,171,930	33	104,817	1,818,364	+1634.8
N. Central (W)	45	1,873,423	40	131,777	1,849,536	+1303.5
South Central	16	196,288	10	12,546	172,391	+1274.1
Western (N)	10	152,710	7	17,747	74,522	+ 319.9
Western (S)	12	246,019	11	101,243	246,019	+ 143.0
TOTAL	191	9,807,780	145	1,334,129	8,613,507	+ 545.6

	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on percentage basis	Increase or decrease (Pounds)
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1918 and March 1, 1918	181	12,297,758	100.0	
	181	9,775,736	79.5	- 2,522,022
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917 and March 1, 1917	125	1,721,323	100.0	
	125	1,112,461	64.6	- 608,862
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1918 and February 1, 1918	161	14,050,137	100.0	
	161	11,731,551	83.5	- 2,318,586
Comparison of Holdings on January 1, 1917 and February 1, 1917	114	2,732,273	100.0	
	114	1,693,740	62.0	- 1,038,533

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REPORT OF STOCKS OF FROZEN POULTRY, MARCH 1, 1918.

TOTAL POULTRY

The total stocks of FROZEN POULTRY reported by 311 storages on March 1, 1918 amounted to 57,254,096 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 296 storages on February 1, 1918, amounted to 67,395,424 pounds. The reports of 203 storages show stocks of 13,881,528 pounds on March 1, 1918, as compared with 27,796,293 pounds on March 1, 1917, a decrease of 50.1 per cent. The reports show that the stocks decreased 17.2 per cent during February 1918, while they decreased 9.6 per cent during February 1917.

BROILERS

The total stock of BROILERS reported by 198 storages on March 1, 1918, amounted to 7,395,331 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 195 storages on February 1, 1918, amounted to 8,250,415 pounds. The reports of 120 storages show stocks of 2,313,344 pounds on March 1, 1918, as compared with 4,418,357 pounds on March 1, 1917, a decrease of 47.6 per cent. The reports of 186 storages show that the stocks decreased 14.1 per cent during February 1918, while the reports of 105 storages show stocks increased 3.7 per cent during February 1917.

ROASTERS

The total stocks of ROASTERS reported by 186 storages on March 1, 1918, amounted to 14,504,955 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 182 storages on February 1, 1918, amounted to 17,978,167 pounds. The reports of 115 storages show stocks of 3,565,263 pounds on March 1, 1918, as compared with 5,612,123 pounds on March 1, 1917, a decrease of 36.5 per cent. The reports of 175 storages show that the stocks decreased 22.3 per cent during February 1918, while the reports of 101 storages show stocks decreased 13.2 per cent during February 1917.

FOWLS

The total stocks of FOWLS reported by 216 storages on March 1, 1918 amounted to 12,582,228 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 199 storages on February 1, 1918, amounted to 15,090,059 pounds. The reports of 139 storages show stocks of 2,463,581 pounds on March 1, 1918, as compared with 5,104,821 pounds on March 1, 1917, a decrease of 51.7 per cent. The reports of 189 storages show that the stocks decreased 19.1 per cent during February 1918, while the reports of 117 storages show stocks decreased 26.3 per cent during February 1917.

TURKEYS

The total stocks of TURKEYS reported by 231 storages on March 1, 1918, amounted to 9,830,697 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 229 storages on February 1, 1918 amounted to 10,515,828 pounds. The reports of 141 storages show stocks of 2,262,025 pounds on March 1, 1918, as compared with 3,219,710 pounds on March 1, 1917, a decrease of 29.7 per cent. The reports of 214 storages show that the stocks decreased 8.2 per cent during February 1918, while the reports of 122 storages show that the stocks increased 13.6 per cent during February 1917.

MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

The total stocks of MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY reported by 258 storages on March 1, 1918, amounted to 12,940,885 pounds while the total stocks reported by 248 storages on February 1, 1918 amounted to 15,180,719 pounds. The reports of 163 storages show stocks of 3,277,315 pounds on March 1, 1918, as compared with 9,441,282 pounds on March 1, 1917, a decrease of 65.3 per cent. The reports of 235 storages show that the stocks decreased 17.1 per cent during February 1918 while the reports of 138 storages show that the stocks decreased 8.2 per cent during February 1917.

All poultry holdings not segregated into broilers, roasters, fowls and turkeys have been placed in the miscellaneous group.

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STOCKS OF FROZEN POULTRY ON MARCH 1, 1918, WITH COMPARISONS
OF THE STOCKS OF MARCH 1, 1917, AND MARCH 1, 1918 BY SECTIONS.

TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY

SECTION	TOTAL STOCKS March 1, 1918		COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS			
	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917 Pounds	March 1, 1918 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
New England	31	5,001,735	14	240,039	151,473	- 36.9
Middle Atlantic	70	18,050,258	39	5,680,947	2,139,593	- 62.3
South Atlantic	21	667,044	19	841,467	640,072	- 23.9
N. Central (E)	51	24,184,133	31	9,155,278	4,754,273	- 48.1
N. Central (W)	58	5,538,608	46	8,360,618	4,076,789	- 51.2
South Central	31	1,479,187	21	1,479,041	1,031,838	- 30.2
Western (N)	22	399,519	14	914,640	387,214	- 57.7
Western (S)	27	1,933,812	19	1,124,263	700,276	- 37.7
TOTAL	311	57,254,096	203	27,796,293	13,881,528	- 50.1

BROILERS

New England	21	258,525	9	6,389	13,731	+114.9
Middle Atlantic	46	1,680,468	20	338,413	171,401	- 49.4
South Atlantic	9	120,998	7	199,462	115,269	- 42.2
N. Central (E)	36	4,056,545	18	1,359,048	1,261,546	- 7.2
N. Central (W)	44	727,752	35	1,625,531	386,829	- 76.2
South Central	18	320,221	13	511,071	261,420	- 48.8
Western (N)	9	19,008	8	82,542	19,008	- 77.0
Western (S)	15	211,814	10	295,901	84,140	- 71.6
TOTAL	198	7,395,331	120	4,418,357	2,313,344	- 47.6

ROASTERS

New England	23	1,294,289	10	68,865	66,579	- 3.3
Middle Atlantic	44	4,427,660	20	1,199,701	497,254	- 58.6
South Atlantic	6	115,919	6	155,393	115,919	- 25.4
N. Central (E)	35	6,270,117	18	1,121,785	863,193	- 23.1
N. Central (W)	43	2,058,368	34	2,767,080	1,865,937	- 32.6
South Central	13	84,422	10	188,142	73,840	- 60.8
Western (N)	8	22,223	7	35,742	22,223	- 37.8
Western (S)	14	231,957	10	75,415	60,318	- 20.0
TOTAL	186	14,504,955	115	5,612,123	3,565,263	- 36.5

FOWLS

New England	27	1,359,808	13	71,437	33,764	- 52.7
Middle Atlantic	46	3,219,556	22	960,907	356,850	- 62.9
South Atlantic	14	176,019	12	159,315	160,185	+ 0.5
N. Central (E)	37	6,050,508	21	1,255,918	661,709	- 47.3
N. Central (W)	44	927,946	36	1,875,187	714,583	- 61.9
South Central	16	294,659	12	294,666	238,893	- 18.9
Western (N)	15	85,260	12	108,020	84,330	- 21.9
Western (S)	17	468,472	11	379,371	213,267	- 43.8
TOTAL	216	12,582,228	139	5,104,821	2,463,581	- 51.7

TURKEYS

New England	24	1,115,881	9	69,837	29,772	- 57.4
Middle Atlantic	49	2,772,930	24	1,016,983	419,076	- 58.8
South Atlantic	16	88,214	13	120,566	82,805	- 31.3
N. Central (E)	36	3,687,175	19	587,506	701,185	+ 19.3
N. Central (W)	42	738,791	32	582,965	256,525	- 56.0
South Central	26	539,066	19	423,140	414,211	- 2.1
Western (N)	16	98,596	11	149,344	95,624	- 36.0
Western (S)	22	790,044	14	269,369	262,827	- 2.4
TOTAL	231	9,830,697	141	3,219,710	2,262,025	- 29.7

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Summary of Storage Holdings on March 1, 1918.

The monthly report of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, shows storage holdings of frozen and cured meats, including lard, on March 1, 1918 as follows:

FROZEN BEEF

The 383 storages that reported showed total stocks of 275,254,692 pounds. The 318 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 188,087,763 pounds compared with 169,792,699 pounds last year, an increase of 10.6 per cent. The 361 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 29,018,481 pounds or 10.0 per cent while the 283 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 13,662,922 pounds or 7.7 per cent.

CURED BEEF

The 366 storages that reported showed total stocks of 37,608,731 pounds. The 320 storages reporting for March 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 36,508,067 pounds compared with 37,660,065 pounds last year, a decrease of 3.1 per cent. The 345 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 1,749,442 pounds or 4.5 per cent, while the 288 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed an increase of 309,507 pounds or 0.9 per cent.

FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON

The 212 storages that reported showed total stocks of 7,857,163 pounds. The 166 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 6,929,546 pounds compared with 4,948,954 pounds last year, an increase of 40.0 per cent. The 194 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed an increase of 1,486,482 pounds or 23.6 per cent, while the 146 storages reporting their holdings for both February and March 1 1917 showed a decrease of 1,121,014 pounds or 19.1 per cent.

FROZEN PORK

The 361 storages that reported showed total stocks of 104,243,874 pounds. The 294 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 89,288,856 pounds compared with 63,352,144 pounds last year, an increase of 40.9 per cent. The 333 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed an increase of 42,063,284 pounds or 68.4 per cent, while the 255 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 1,868,247 pounds or 2.9 per cent.

DRY SALT PORK

The 458 storages that reported showed total stocks of 402,520,163 pounds. The 401 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 381,854,062, pounds compared with 259,058,920 pounds last year, an increase of 47.4 per cent. The 421 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed an increase of 58,105,270 pounds or 17.1 per cent, while the 356 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed an increase of 25,235,693 pounds or 10.9 per cent.

SWEET PICKLED PORK

The 539 storages that reported showed total stocks of 368,207,181 pounds. The 480 storages reporting for March 1, this year and last show present holdings of 359,997,846 pounds compared with 378,846,509 pounds last year, a decrease of 7.4 per cent. The 514 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed an increase of 45,412,065 pounds or 14.2 per cent, while the 448 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed an increase of 19,365,782 pounds or 5.4 per cent.

LARD

The 555 storages that reported showed total stocks of 65,227,302 pounds. The 479 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 62,931,026 pounds as compared with 88,459,714 pounds last year, a decrease of 28.9 per cent. The 527 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed an increase of 5,741,115 pounds or 9.7 per cent, while the 436 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed an increase of 35,658 pounds or 0.4 per cent.

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The Monthly report of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture,
shows storage holdings of Frozen Poultry on March 1, 1918 as follows:

TOTAL POULTRY

The 311 storages that reported frozen poultry show total stocks of 7,254,096 pounds. The 203 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 13,881,528 pounds compared with 27,796,293 pounds last year, a decrease of 50.1 per cent. The report shows that the stocks decreased 11,508,503 pounds or 17.2 per cent during February 1918, as compared with a decrease of 2,886,300 pounds or 9.6 per cent during February 1917.

BROILERS

The 198 storages that reported showed total stocks of 7,395,331 pounds. The 120 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 2,313,344 pounds compared with 4,418,357 pounds last year, a decrease of 47.6 per cent. The 185 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 1,164,020 pounds, or 14.1 per cent while the 105 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed an increase of 154,889 pounds or 3.7 per cent.

ROASTERS

The 186 storages that reported showed total stocks of 14,504,955 pounds. The 115 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 3,565,263 pounds compared with 5,612,123 pounds last year a decrease of 36.5 per cent. The 175 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 4,008,539 pounds or 22.3 per cent while the 101 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 816,798 pounds or 11.2 per cent.

FOWLS

The 216 storages that reported showed total stocks of 12,582,223 pounds. The 139 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 2,463,581 pounds compared with 5,104,321 pounds last year, a decrease of 51.7 per cent. The 189 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 2,885,193 pounds or 19.1 per cent, while the 117 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 1,782,844 pounds or 26.3 per cent.

TURKEYS

The 231 storages that reported showed total stocks of 9,830,697 pounds. The 141 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 2,262,025 pounds compared with 3,219,710 pounds last year a decrease of 29.7 per cent. The 214 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 866,319 pounds or 8.2 per cent, while the 122 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed an increase of 383,670 pounds or 13.6 per cent.

MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

The 258 storages that reported showed total stocks of 12,940,885 pounds. The 163 storages reporting for March 1 this year and last show present holdings of 3,277,315 pounds compared with 9,441,282 pounds last year, a decrease of 65.3 per cent. The 235 storages that reported for both February 1 and March 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 2,584,429 pounds or 17.1 per cent while the 138 storages reporting their holdings for both February 1 and March 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 825,217 pounds or 3.2 per cent.

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FROZEN BEEF

SECTION	TOTAL STOCKS March 1, 1918		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917, Pounds	March 1, 1918, Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
New England	37	20,738,926	30	7,068,623	10,825,042	+ 53.1
Middle Atlantic	86	38,078,283	75	36,921,744	26,671,549	- 27.8
South Atlantic	29	2,302,303	26	1,516,604	2,119,523	+ 39.8
N. Central (E)	77	142,876,308	63	79,972,239	87,794,297	+ 9.8
N. Central (W)	62	57,951,917	49	35,452,182	48,449,707	+ 36.7
South Central	31	4,418,554	25	5,063,805	4,056,698	- 19.9
Western (N)	29	3,152,776	22	1,832,317	2,838,665	+ 54.9
Western (S)	32	5,735,625	28	1,965,185	5,332,282	+171.3
TOTAL	383	275,254,692	318	169,792,699	188,087,763	+ 10.8

CURED BEEF

New England	23	1,396,083	20	845,246	1,389,483	+ 64.4
Middle Atlantic	100	5,222,721	90	6,505,143	5,087,621	- 21.8
South Atlantic	33	564,353	30	337,173	481,328	+ 42.8
N. Central (E)	98	17,192,104	89	18,823,688	16,815,696	- 10.7
N. Central (W)	50	11,313,277	44	10,077,314	10,930,989	+ 8.5
South Central	16	442,063	14	124,150	436,386	+251.5
Western (N)	20	472,888	17	462,330	453,558	- 1.9
Western (S)	26	1,005,242	16	485,021	913,006	+ 88.2
TOTAL	366	37,608,731	320	37,660,065	36,508,067	- 3.1

FROZEN

New England	21	1,378,656	15	856,510	1,195,478	+ 39.6
Middle Atlantic	54	2,956,071	49	1,835,033	2,874,494	+ 56.6
South Atlantic	17	200,651	13	71,078	175,171	+146.4
N. Central (E)	39	2,064,327	24	1,076,613	1,487,654	+ 38.2
N. Central (W)	30	668,255	26	871,485	664,634	- 23.7
South Central	8	59,683	8	50,353	59,683	+ 18.5
Western (N)	21	294,679	15	104,119	250,570	+140.7
Western (S)	22	234,841	16	83,763	221,862	+164.9
TOTAL	212	7,857,163	166	4,948,954	6,929,546	+ 40.0

FROZEN PORK

New England	32	6,884,581	25	4,291,575	6,406,661	+ 49.3
Middle Atlantic	81	14,572,511	70	6,178,290	13,792,246	+123.2
South Atlantic	30	2,261,372	26	461,763	1,004,359	+117.5
N. Central (E)	71	36,122,532	57	20,761,834	30,095,725	+ 45.0
N. Central (W)	63	31,770,739	51	23,858,178	27,108,422	+ 13.6
South Central	31	2,974,290	25	1,874,375	1,864,367	- 0.5
Western (N)	23	3,809,859	16	3,017,866	3,573,011	+ 18.4
Western (S)	30	5,847,990	24	2,908,263	5,444,065	+ 87.2
TOTAL	361	104,243,874	294	63,352,144	89,288,856	+ 40.9

DRY SALT PORK

New England	20	9,760,401	16	9,691,788	9,611,314	- 0.8
Middle Atlantic	71	18,353,596	64	8,233,659	17,605,364	+113.8
South Atlantic	63	6,195,321	58	6,525,508	6,119,523	- 6.2
N. Central (E)	122	167,513,998	109	126,827,312	158,655,727	+ 25.1
N. Central (W)	73	180,500,181	68	93,816,431	170,322,802	+ 81.5
South Central	44	43,229,187	34	10,606,708	12,941,937	+ 22.0
Western (N)	30	2,103,004	24	1,254,436	2,017,625	+ 60.8
Western (S)	35	4,864,475	28	2,103,078	4,579,770	+117.8
TOTAL	458	402,520,163	401	259,058,920	381,854,062	+ 47.4

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STOCKS OF FROZEN AND CURED MEATS ON MARCH 1, 1918, WITH COMPARISONS
OF THE STOCKS OF MARCH 1, 1917, AND MARCH 1, 1918 BY SECTIONS.
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SWEET PICKLED PORK

SECTION	TOTAL STOCKS March 1, 1918		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	March 1, 1917, Pounds	March 1, 1918, Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
New England	32	21,032,468	28	26,542,240	21,015,668	- 20.8
Middle Atlantic	126	26,919,502	118	34,605,693	26,651,733	- 23.0
South Atlantic	55	7,348,878	50	8,227,252	7,097,771	- 13.7
N. Central (E)	147	146,525,456	131	144,225,492	140,173,908	- 2.8
N. Central (W)	76	138,920,956	71	134,902,483	130,289,540	- 3.4
South Central	26	10,308,176	20	16,749,333	10,213,451	- 39.0
Western (N)	36	5,952,527	31	5,557,151	5,469,029	- 1.6
Western (S)	41	11,199,218	31	8,036,865	10,086,746	+ 25.5
TOTAL	539	368,207,181	480	378,846,509	350,997,846	- 7.4

LARD

New England	31	2,863,206	24	8,096,125	2,812,816	- 65.3
Middle Atlantic	117	5,373,318	109	5,647,429	5,312,508	- 5.9
South Atlantic	63	1,512,758	56	1,533,044	1,392,119	- 9.2
N. Central (E)	150	22,955,202	130	48,556,153	22,640,696	- 53.4
N. Central (W)	75	24,430,024	70	18,272,533	23,182,014	+ 26.9
South Central	44	2,626,957	31	2,546,513	2,552,093	+ 0.2
Western (N)	33	1,791,165	29	1,746,582	1,637,628	- 6.2
Western (S)	42	3,674,672	30	2,061,335	3,401,152	+ 65.0
TOTAL	555	65,227,302	479	88,459,714	62,931,026	- 28.9

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF FEBRUARY 1, 1918, WITH THOSE OF MARCH 1, 1918.

PRODUCT	No. of Storages Reporting	February 1, 1918 Pounds	March 1, 1918 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
FROZEN BEEF	361	291,209,375	262,190,894	- 10.0
CURED BEEF	345	38,646,713	36,897,221	- 4.5
FROZEN LAMB & MUTTON	194	6,311,933	7,800,415	+ 23.6
FROZEN PORK	333	61,487,532	103,550,816	+ 68.4
DRY SALT PORK	421	340,758,921	398,864,191	+ 17.1
SWEET PICKLED PORK	514	320,367,098	365,779,163	+ 14.2
LARD	527	59,018,072	64,759,187	+ 9.7

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF FEBRUARY 1, 1917, WITH THOSE OF MARCH 1, 1917.

PRODUCT	No. of Storages Reporting	February 1, 1917 Pounds	March 1, 1917 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
FROZEN BEEF	283	177,896,824	164,233,902	- 7.7
CURED BEEF	288	36,351,366	36,660,873	+ 0.9
FROZEN LAMB & MUTTON	146	5,873,421	4,752,407	- 19.1
FROZEN PORK	255	64,640,897	62,772,650	- 2.9
DRY SALT PORK	356	232,001,066	257,236,759	+ 10.9
SWEET PICKLED PORK	448	355,543,748	374,909,530	+ 5.4
LARD	436	87,683,538	87,719,196	+ 0.04

NEW ENGLAND: Me., N.H., Vt., Mass., R.I., Conn. MIDDLE ATLANTIC: N.Y., N.J., Pa.,
SOUTH ATLANTIC: Del., Md., D.C., Va., W.Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Fla. NORTH CENTRAL:
(East of Miss. River) Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis. (WEST OF MISS. RIVER) Minn.,
Iowa, Mo., N.D., S.D., Nebr., Kans. SOUTH CENTRAL: Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., La.,
Texas, Okla., Ark. WESTERN: (North) Mont., Wyo., Idaho, Wash., Ore. (South)
Colo., N. Mex., Ariz., Utah, Nev., Calif.

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