

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF APPLES, APRIL 1, 1917.

Reports from 549 storages show that their rooms contain 792,942 barrels and 1,297,788 boxes of apples on April 1, 1917. The information received indicates that there were 42.5 per cent less apples in storage than on April 1, 1916, while the amount held April 1, 1916 was 43.9 per cent more than on April 1, 1915. The barreled apple holdings of April 1, 1917 show a decrease of 52.6 per cent from those of April 1, 1916, while the boxed apple holdings show a decrease of 5.2 per cent from those of April 1, 1916. On April 1, 1916, there were 68.9 per cent more barrels and 6.4 per cent less boxes in storage than on April 1, 1915. A summary of this report was released by wire on April 7. 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 these reports will be telegraphed, charges collect, immediately upon release each month, from October to June.

	No. of Firms Reporting	Barrels	Boxes	Combined Holdings in Barrels*	Comparison on percentage basis
Holdings Reported on April 1, 1917	549	792,942	1,297,788	1,225,538	
Comparison of Holdings on December 1, 1916 and April 1, 1917	503	2,676,607	3,880,519	3,970,114	100.0
Comparison of Holdings on December 1, 1915 and April 1, 1916	437	4,792,855	3,900,335	6,092,967	100.0
Comparison of Holdings on April 1, 1916 and April 1, 1917	435	1,560,965	1,267,933	1,983,609	100.0
	435	740,346	1,201,496	1,140,845	57.5

\*Three Boxes to the Barrel.

COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS BY SECTIONS.

SECTIONS	No. of Storages Reporting	December 1, 1916		April 1, 1917		Per cent of Dec. 1 Holdings in Storages in Storage Apr. 1.
		Barrels	Boxes	Barrels	Boxes	
No. Atl. (New E.)	16	111,177	107,279	38,425	33,951	33.9
No. Atl. (Others)	107	991,235	520,928	297,354	298,786	34.1
South Atlantic	55	350,114	41,952	73,688	24,392	22.5
North Central (E)	101	670,101	356,767	217,153	188,313	35.5
North Central (W)	90	416,766	644,530	110,400	246,322	30.5
South Central	65	137,202	209,438	19,973	127,399	30.2
Western (N)	29	0	1,059,168	0	152,794	14.4
Western (S)	40	12	940,457	0	193,353	20.6
TOTAL	503	2,676,607	3,880,519	756,993	1,265,310	29.7

PERCENTAGE OF DECEMBER 1 HOLDINGS MOVED FROM STORAGE.

MONTH	SEASON 1914-15			SEASON 1915-16			SEASON 1916-17		
	Barrels	Boxes	Combined	Barrels	Boxes	Combined	Barrels	Boxes	Combined
Dec.	12.1	6.7	10.7	12.2	11.5	13.0	15.1	0.1	10.4
Jan.	19.2	11.3	17.1	14.2	16.5	14.7	18.6	8.3	15.3
Feb.	21.1	24.3	21.9	19.9	20.9	20.1	18.6	30.9	22.4
Mch.	23.5	25.7	24.1	20.4	18.1	20.0	19.4	28.1	22.2
Apr.	14.5	15.6	14.8	17.3	14.6	16.7			
May	8.4	11.0	9.1	12.2	11.5	11.9			

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF CREAMERY BUTTER, APRIL 1, 1917.

Reports from 275 cold storages show that their rooms contain 6,239,268 pounds of CREAMERY BUTTER while on March 1, 316 storages reported 15,932,420 pounds. The 214 storages that reported holdings on April 1 of this year and last show a present stock of 6,022,216 pounds as compared with 3,345,717 pounds last year, an increase of 2,676,499 pounds or 80.0 per cent. The reports show that during March the March 1 holdings decreased 60.4 per cent, while our last report showed that during February the February 1 holdings decreased 48.1 per cent. Last year the decrease during March was 78.7 per cent, and in February 50.4 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on April 7. 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 April 1, 1917.		COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS.			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	No. of Firms Reporting	April 1, 1916 Pounds	April 1, 1917 Pounds	Percentage increase or decrease
N. Atl. (New E.)	18	1,971,578	13	1,218,731	1,851,083	+ 51.9
N. Atl. (Others)	68	1,538,621	48	772,319	1,506,820	+95.1
South Atlantic	22	132,265	13	138,834	98,705	- 28.9
N. Central (E)	47	2,283,162	39	1,013,302	2,275,238	+124.5
N. Central (W)	44	159,083	39	95,875	144,219	+ 50.4
S. Central	26	89,372	21	14,316	86,477	+504.1
Western (N)	24	39,330	21	44,648	37,130	- 16.8
Western (S)	26	25,857	20	47,692	22,544	- 52.7
TOTAL	275	6,239,268	214	3,345,717	6,022,216	+ 80.0

	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on percent age basis	Pounds less in Storage
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1917 and April 1, 1917	265 265	15,679,464 6,208,763	100.0 39.6	9,470,701
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917 and March 1, 1917	257 257	29,808,296 15,467,475	100.0 51.9	14,340,821
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1916 and April 1, 1916	199 199	15,344,913 3,272,342	100.0 21.3	12,072,571
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1916 and March 1, 1916	182 182	30,107,379 14,935,775	100.0 49.6	15,171,604

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF AMERICAN CHEESE APRIL 1, 1917.

Reports from 347 cold storages show that their rooms contain 8,768,185 pounds of AMERICAN CHEESE while on March 1, 353 storages reported 13,840,801 pounds. The 236 storages that reported holdings on April 1 of this year and last show a present stock of 6,901,389 pounds as compared with 8,442,527 pounds last year, a decrease of 1,541,138 pounds or 18.3 per cent. The reports show that during March the March 1 holdings decreased 36.2 per cent, while our last report showed that during February the February 1 holdings decreased 35.3 per cent. Last year the decrease during March was 40.3 per cent, and in February 26.4 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on April 7. 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 April 1, 1917.		COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS.			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	No. of Firms Reporting	April 1, 1916 Pounds	April 1, 1917 Pounds	Percentage increase or decrease
N.Atl.(New E.)	15	746,098	10	989,736	699,914	- 29.3
N.Atl.(Others)	84	2,818,279	52	3,054,639	1,854,482	- 39.3
South Atlantic	26	86,572	14	64,453	49,825	- 22.7
N.Central(E)	78	3,016,963	53	2,534,415	2,268,552	- 10.5
N.Central(W)	48	462,362	39	398,167	436,245	+ 9.6
S.Central	41	169,422	29	80,841	144,386	+ 78.6
Western(N)	21	157,668	17	40,393	156,800	+288.2
Western(S)	34	1,310,821	22	1,279,883	1,291,185	+ 0.9
TOTAL	347	8,768,185	236	8,442,527	6,901,389	- 18.3

	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on percent- age basis	Pounds less in Storage
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1917 and April 1, 1917	321	13,329,133	100.0	
	321	8,506,087	63.8	4,823,046
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917 and March 1, 1917	289	19,185,047	100.0	
	289	12,422,176	64.7	6,762,871
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1916 and April 1, 1916	223	13,360,212	100.0	
	223	7,973,718	59.7	5,386,494
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1916 and March 1, 1916	183	17,705,411	100.0	
	183	13,023,782	73.6	4,681,629

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF EGGS, APRIL 1, 1917.

Reports from 322 cold storages show that their rooms contain 172,944 cases of EGGS while on March 1, 333 storages reported 5,473 cases. The 243 storages that reported holdings on April 1 of this year and last show a present stock of 166,601 cases as compared with 263,644 cases last year, a decrease of 97,043 cases or 36.8 per cent. The reports show that during March the March 1 holdings increased 3,015.9 per cent., while our last report showed that during February the February 1 holdings decreased 97.2 per cent. Last year the increase during March was 430.5 per cent., and the decrease during February 91.9 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on April 7. 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 April 1, 1917.		COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Cases	No. of Firms Reporting	April 1, 1916 Cases	April 1, 1917 Cases	Percentage increase or decrease
N. Atl. (New E.)	13	8,535	9	1,197	5,697	+375.9
N. Atl. (Others)	60	13,575	43	26,599	13,399	- 49.6
South Atlantic	24	926	17	877	703	- 19.8
N. Central (E)	61	19,921	44	78,862	19,191	- 75.7
N. Central (W)	65	46,389	55	50,238	46,189	- 8.1
S. Central	35	2,458	27	8,217	1,936	- 76.4
Western (N)	23	11,582	20	14,410	11,542	- 19.9
Western (S)	41	70,265	28	83,244	67,944	- 18.4
TOTAL	322	172,944	243	263,644	166,601	- 36.8

	No. of Firms Reporting	Cases	Comparison on percent- age basis	Cases - in- crease or decrease
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1917, and April 1, 1917	293	5,280	100.0	
	293	164,518	3,115.9	+ 159,238
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1917, and March 1, 1917	260	144,257	100.0	
	260	4,100	2.8	- 140,157
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1916, and April 1, 1916	212	34,439	100.0	
	212	182,706	530.5	+ 148,267
Comparison of Holdings on February 1, 1916, and March 1, 1916	192	415,804	100.0	
	192	33,639	8.1	- 382,165

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