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SUMMARY OF STORAGE HOLDINGS ON FEBRUARY 1, 1918.

The monthly report of the Bureau of Markets, department of Agriculture shows storage holdings of dairy products and eggs on February 1, 1918, as follows:

CREAMERY BUTTER

The 372 storages that reported showed total stocks of 24,780,358 pounds. The 325 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 23,542,245 pounds compared with 30,473,709 pounds last year, a decrease of 22.7 per cent. The 343 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 20,941,708 pounds or 48.5 per cent, while the 286 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1 and February 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 15,132,817 pounds or 34.3 per cent.

PACKING STICK BUTTER

The 140 storages that reported showed total stocks of 1,527,904 pounds. The 105 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 1,132,234 pounds compared with 1,662,537 pounds last year a decrease of 31.9 per cent. The 114 storages that reported for both January 1, February 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 220,650 pounds or 14.0 per cent, while the 76 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1, and February 1, 1917, showed a decrease of 167,478 pounds or 9.4 per cent.

AMERICAN CHEESE

The 464 storages that reported showed total stocks of 56,592,273 pounds. The 404 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 47,744,994 pounds compared with 22,112,656 pounds last year, an increase of 115.9 per cent. The 432 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1918, showed a decrease of 1,173,045 pounds or 16.7 per cent, while the 353 storages reporting their holdings both January 1, and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 10,982,546 pounds or 35.2 per cent.

CASE EGGS

The 434 storages that reported showed total stocks of 199,511 cases. The 384 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 197,258 cases compared with 145,359 cases last year, an increase of 35.7 per cent. The 408 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 988,430 cases, or 83.8 per cent, while the 264 storages reporting their holdings for both January 1, and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 751,501 cases or 83.7 per cent.

FROZEN EGGS

The 182 storages that reported showed total stocks of 12,025,069 pounds. The 316 storages reporting for February 1, this year and last, show present holdings of 9,924,220 pounds compared with 1,724,422 pounds last year, an increase of 475.5 per cent. The 161 storages that reported for both January 1 and February 1, 1918 showed a decrease of 2,318,586 pounds or 16.5 per cent, while the 114 storages reporting their holdings for January and February 1, 1917 showed a decrease of 1,038,533 pounds, or 38.0 per cent.

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