

MEATS FROZEN OR PLACED IN CURE DURING MAY
 POUNDS, THOUSANDS, I.E. "000" OMITTED

COMMODITY	APR. 5-YR. AVERAGE 1933-37	APR. 1937	APR. 1938	MAY 5-YR. AVERAGE 1933-37	MAY 1937	MAY 1938
BEEF, FROZEN.....	10,245:	13,233:	9,015 :	11,356:	12,989:	9,444
BEEF, PLACED IN CURE.....	4,563:	4,905:	4,340 :	5,333:	4,955:	4,858
PORK, FROZEN.....	42,664:	47,394:	36,170 :	45,785:	37,256:	35,167
PORK, DRY SALT PLACED IN CURE..	36,220:	34,174:	34,034 :	40,445:	26,380:	35,941
PORK, PICKLED PLACED IN CURE..	130,647:	129,563:	121,592 :	160,621:	123,284:	133,485
LAMB AND MUTTON FROZEN.....	566:	1,002:	588 :	590:	827:	624

NOTE: THESE HOLDINGS INCLUDE STOCKS IN BOTH COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES AND MEAT PACKING PLANTS. THOUSANDS, I.E. "000" OMITTED FROM ABOVE TABLES. ITEMS IN TERMS OF POUNDS EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE STATED.

* FIGURES SHOWN SUBJECT TO REVISION. REVISED FIGURES WILL APPEAR IN NEXT MONTHS' REPORT. WHILE THE BUREAU FEELS ASSURED OF THE COMPLETENESS AND ACCURACY OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF POULTRY REPORTED, IT CANNOT VOUCH FOR THE ACCURACY AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE VARIOUS SIZES OF CHICKENS. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CONCERNS WHOSE HOLDINGS ARE EXTREMELY HEAVY, WHO FIND IT IMPRACTICABLE TO MAKE SEGREGATION ON THEIR REPORTS, CONSEQUENTLY THERE WILL BE FRYERS CONTAINED IN THE FIGURES SHOWN FOR BROILERS, ROASTERS AND POSSIBLY MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY.

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COLD STORAGE REPORT
 AS OF JUNE 1, 1938

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 MARKETING EXTENSION

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics makes the following report based on data furnished by cold storage warehouses throughout the country. The report contains stocks on hand as of June 1, 1938, with comparisons, for the following groups of commodities: Fruits and Vegetables, Dairy and Poultry Products, and Meats (cured and frozen) and Lard. Special tables of cold storage holdings by States or geographic divisions of the country are included for cream, butter, American cheese, eggs, poultry, and apples. Because of the seasonal interest in the cherry pack and holdings, there is included this month a table showing cold storage stocks of cherries by geographic regions.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

The movement of apples out of cold storage during May apparently was the heaviest recorded for that month, except for 1924. Apple holdings in cold storage, as reported to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics on June 1, were 1,965,000 bushels (or bushel equivalents). Cold storage withdrawals for May 1938, therefore, totaled close to 4,000,000 bushels.

Seasonal decreases were recorded during May for most items of cold-pack and quick-freeze fruits held in cold storage. Strawberries were the important exception. Cold-pack and quick-freeze activities in the important strawberry areas of Virginia contributed substantially to the 2,000,000-pound increase in the June 1 stocks of strawberries compared with the previous month.

Stocks of quick-freeze vegetables were 21,392,000 pounds, which is a slight decrease below the stocks of the previous month. The increase in unclassified vegetables during May may be attributed largely to new supplies of "quick-freeze" asparagus.

Commodity	June 1, 5-yr.av. 1933-37	June 1, 1937	May 1, 1938	June 1, 1938
- Thousands -				
Apples.....barrels.....	26	3	32	12
Apples.....western boxes	856	899	2,318	796
Apples.....bushels ^{1/} ...	548	479	3,365	1,133
TOTAL apples.....bushels.....	1,484	1,387	5,779	1,965
Pears, Bartletts.....packed boxes.		1	2	1
Pears, Bartletts.....loose boxes..		-	1	1
Pears, all others.....boxes.....	16	18	67	14
Pears.....baskets.....	1	1	3	2
FROZEN FRUITS: ^{2/}				
Strawberries.....pounds.....		16,230	20,166	22,131
Blueberries.....".....		1,472	6,531	6,041
Cherries.....".....		3,707	15,503	13,941
Other fruits.....".....		27,379	52,898	48,194
TOTAL frozen fruits.....".....	51,032	48,783	95,098	90,307
FROZEN VEGETABLES:				
Peas.....".....		1,931	6,700	6,067
Beans, cut.....".....		768	1,628	1,623
Beans, Lima.....".....		1,774	3,444	3,144
Corn.....".....		534	1,823	1,714
Spinach.....".....		328	1,925	1,798
Unclassified vegetables.....".....		925	6,312	7,046
TOTAL frozen vegetables.....".....		6,260	21,832	21,392

^{1/} Includes baskets and Eastern boxes or crates.

^{2/} Includes considerable quantities of cold pack and preserved fruits.

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DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Stocks of 40-percent cream showed a heavy movement into storage during May - the increase during that month amounting to 157,000 cans (40-quart).

Creamery butter stocks in cold storage on June 1 (54,408,000 pounds) were the highest of record for that date, exceeding the heavy holdings in 1930 by approximately 4,000,000 pounds.

June 1 holdings of American cheese totaled 79,303,000 pounds, which is a net into-storage increase during May of 13,536,000 pounds. The June 1 stocks exceeded the previous record stocks of a year ago by 7,700,000 and were 24,000,000 pounds above average June 1 holdings (1933-37). For other varieties of cheese, notably Swiss, brick and Munster, and Limburger, the June 1 stocks were well below those of a year ago and the 5-year (1933-37) average holdings.

Shell eggs held in cold storage on June 1 amounted to 5,091,000 cases, the lowest holdings recorded on June 1 since 1917. Supplies of frozen eggs continue to be fairly heavy.

An out-of-storage movement for total frozen poultry amounted to approximately 8,000,000 pounds during May. Stocks of broilers and roasters continue to be slightly below the 5-year average holdings.

Commodity	June 1 5-yr.av. 1933-37	June 1, 1937	May 1, 1938	June 1, 1938
- Thousands -				
Cream, 40% 40-qt.cans	107	106	59	216
Cream, 20% " "	4	10	1	9
Butter, creamery pounds ...	27,895	22,904	19,574	<u>1/</u> 54,408
Butter, packing stock " ...		236	231	370
Cheese, American " ...	55,256	71,603	65,767	79,303
Cheese, Swiss " ...	3,544	3,455	2,852	2,771
Cheese, brick and Munster ... " ...	821	785	497	520
Cheese, Limburger " ...	576	595	282	399
Cheese, all other varieties . " ...	6,305	8,570	6,891	8,138
TOTAL cheese " ...	66,502	85,008	76,289	91,131
Eggs, shell cases	7,051	7,300	3,204	5,091
Eggs, frozen pounds ...	98,219	133,132	115,874	130,840
Eggs, frozen, case equiv. <u>2/</u> cases	2,806	3,804	3,311	3,738
TOTAL eggs, case equiv. <u>3/</u> "	9,857	11,104	6,515	8,829
Broilers pounds ...	4,880	9,044	4,651	4,257
Fryers " ...	3,745	5,125	5,286	3,767
Roasters " ...	10,597	12,659	11,962	8,815
Fowls " ...	6,413	13,041	11,300	9,020
Turkeys " ...	13,811	25,106	14,743	12,926
Ducks " ...	1,401	3,453	1,458	3,143
Miscellaneous poultry " ...	9,239	13,912	10,653	10,095
TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY " ...	50,091	82,340	60,053	52,023

1/ Includes 1,587,000 pounds of creamery butter held by various states for relief distribution; not subject to resale.

2/ Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 35 pounds to the case.

3/ SPECIAL NOTE: 74 percent of the total frozen eggs reported as of June 1, 1938, were classified as follows:

Whites	32	percent
Yolks	23	"
Mixed.....	45	"

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FROZEN AND CURED MEATS
(INCLUDING LARD)

Stocks of frozen and cured beef were 33,506,000 pounds on June 1 compared with 86,168,000 pounds a year ago and the 5-year (1933-37) average June 1 holdings of 54,782,000 pounds. While not the lowest holdings of record for this date, present stocks are well below those of the past 4 years.

Holdings of frozen and cured pork were comparatively low on June 1, being approximately 133,000,000 pounds less than the 5-year average June 1 stocks.

Total stocks of frozen and cured meats amounted to 547,875,000 pounds, the lowest June 1 holdings of record. The previous record holdings were 550,469,000 pounds in 1936. Average holdings of frozen and cured meats during the past 5 years on June 1 were 700,976,000 pounds.

Lard stocks apparently are well below those of a year ago on June 1, although the holdings are nearly 2,000,000 pounds in excess of a month ago.

Commodity	June 1 5-yr. av. 1933-37	June 1, 1937	May 1, 1938	June 1, 1938
- Thousand Pounds -				
Beef, frozen	37,181	62,854	29,481	24,013
Beef in process of cure	10,786	11,933	8,165	7,347
Beef, cured	6,815	11,381	2,499	2,146
TOTAL beef	54,782	86,168	40,145	33,506
Pork, frozen	169,554	261,948	167,167	141,233
Pork, dry salt, in process of cure ...	44,923	40,687	41,097	38,947
Pork, dry salt, cured	43,106	43,799	39,507	35,446
Pork, pickled, in process of cure	196,419	178,679	137,215	138,166
Pork, pickled, cured	129,959	138,544	115,578	96,901
TOTAL pork	583,961	663,657	500,564	450,693
Lamb and mutton, frozen	2,051	2,950	2,121	2,132
Frozen & cured trimmings & edible offal	60,182	82,649	63,895	61,544
TOTAL MEATS	700,976	835,424	606,725	547,875
Lard	135,450	194,477	121,890	123,736

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS, JUNE 1, 1938
BY STATES, FOR SPECIFIED COMMODITIES

STATE	CREAM (40-qt. cans)	BUTTER Lbs.	AMERICAN CHEESE Lbs.	EGGS Cases	FROZEN EGGS Lbs.	TOTAL POULTRY Lbs.
			- Thousands -			
Massachusetts	8	1,549	1,825	116	2,025	2,495
Other States		461	289	26	841	397
NEW ENGLAND	8	2,010	2,114	142	2,866	2,892
New York	147	4,947	10,344	418	10,590	11,658
New Jersey	6	2,078	2,956	490	7,673	5,193
Pennsylvania	11	3,038	1,514	212	6,980	2,298
MIDDLE ATLANTIC ...	164	10,063	14,814	1,120	25,243	19,149
Ohio	9	1,875	629	301	4,583	555
Indiana		241	60	31	2,472	366
Illinois	7	17,032	4,348	1,522	17,656	9,466
Michigan	5	1,691	680	147	1,498	1,162
Wisconsin	8	681	40,587	117	1,319	555
EAST N. CENTRAL ...	29	21,520	46,304	2,118	27,528	12,104
Minnesota	11	6,456	578	220	3,717	2,224
Iowa		1,535	75	95	4,487	1,521
Missouri	3	2,260	994	251	22,582	2,595
Nebraska		1,411	445	104	3,671	2,590
Kansas		508	828	121	7,128	307
Dakotas		141	0	2	1	4
WEST N. CENTRAL ...	14	12,311	2,920	793	41,586	9,241
SOUTH ATLANTIC		1,904	2,135	107	2,395	823
Kentucky		554	100	20	1,817	539
Tennessee		344	116	139	3,036	250
Alabama & Mississippi .		404	445	22	324	32
EAST S. CENTRAL ...		1,302	661	181	5,177	821
Oklahoma		300	224	33	5,229	36
Texas		964	2,617	96	11,820	252
Arkansas & Louisiana ..		97	144	20	2,552	122
WEST S. CENTRAL ...		1,361	2,985	149	19,601	410
Colorado		309	442	60	595	182
Other States		43	1,851	32	108	169
MOUNTAIN		352	2,293	92	703	351
Washington		1,003	405	98	826	1,587
Oregon		244	1,035	36	508	362
California		2,338	3,637	255	4,407	4,283
PACIFIC		3,585	5,077	389	5,741	6,232
Other States, combined for cream only	6					
UNITED STATES	221	54,408	79,303	5,091	130,840	52,023

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APPLE HOLDINGS IN COLD STORAGE

STATE	JUNE 1, 1938				JUNE 1, 1937
	Barrels	Western boxes	Baskets	Total bushels	Total bushels
	- Thousands -				
Massachusetts	--	6	57	63	19
New York	--	8	371	379	180
New Jersey	--	--	76	76	86
Pennsylvania	--	9	79	88	57
Ohio	--	9	70	79	43
Indiana	--	2	5	7	20
Illinois	--	52	109	161	160
Michigan	--	--	51	51	34
Wisconsin	--	--	14	14	13
Missouri	--	12	22	34	62
Virginia	12	2	224	262	53
Texas	--	32	--	32	31
Washington	--	419	--	419	371
Oregon	--	--	--	--	11
California	--	185	--	185	181
Other States	--	60	55	115	66
UNITED STATES ..	12	796	1,133	1,965	1,387

CHERRIES IN COLD STORAGE

(Quick-freeze and cold-pack processes)

GEOGRAPHIC REGION	JUNE 1	
	1937	1938
	- 1,000 pounds -	
New England	139	301
Middle Atlantic	2,015	7,756
East North Central ...	1,201	3,992
West North Central ...	211	621
Pacific	58	860
All other regions	83	411
TOTAL UNITED STATES	3,707	13,941