Poultry and egg statistics, March 2017 and annual 2016

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Egg production rose 3.1% from March 2016 to 63.6 million dozen in March 2017.

In April 2017, placements of hatchery chicks on farms increased 1.2% compared with April 2016, to 64.1 million birds.

Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage decreased 11.3% from May 1, 2016 to 78 244 tonnes on May 1, 2017.

Annual

Egg production totalled 747.7 million dozen in 2016, up 7.2% from 2015. The value of egg sales increased 7.1% to $1.3 billion.

Canadian farmers produced 1.4 million tonnes of poultry meat in 2016. Chicken, including stewing hens, accounted for 86.5% of all poultry meat produced. Turkey production was 183 370 tonnes in 2016, up 6.8% from the previous year. Sales of poultry meat, including turkey, increased 2.7% to $2.9 billion.

Note to readers

Poultry and egg statistics are available for Canada and the provinces.

Data on egg production are available for March 2017. Data on the placements of hatchery chicks and turkey poults are available for April 2017. Data on stocks of frozen eggs and poultry meats as well as edible dried egg products are available for May 2017.

Annual data on poultry and egg production are available for 2016.

Revisions

Data on egg production, placements of hatchery chicks and turkey poults, and stocks of frozen eggs and poultry meats as well as edible dried egg products have been revised back to January 2014. This is the result of revisions to administrative data and survey data.

Details are available upon request.

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