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STOCKS OF EVAPORATED AND CONDENSED MILK  
HELD BY WHOLESALE GROCERS

(June 30, 1943)

Stocks of evaporated milk, case goods, held by wholesale grocers were at a record high at the end of the second quarter, 1943, both in quantity and in the estimated number of days supply.

Three hundred and five wholesalers reporting to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, held 53,552,300 pounds of canned evaporated milk on June 30, 1943. Of the total number of firms reporting as of that date, 290 reported for both this year and last year. On June 30 this year they had 53,103,718 pounds compared to 19,131,419 pounds a year earlier, an increase of 178 percent. Two hundred and ninety six firms reported for both June 30 and March 31 this year. On June 30, this group held 53,438,341 pounds, an increase of 89 percent. Both comparisons show a marked increase in current stocks over those of the earlier periods. Stocks of evaporated milk held by manufacturers on July 1 also show a substantial increase over those of a year earlier and over those of the earlier months of this year. From all indications it would appear that the supply situation, measured in stocks, is definitely encouraging for the latter part of the year when production of canned evaporated milk falls to its seasonal low.

Reports from 266 wholesalers indicate that the stocks which they had on hand at the end of June were the equivalent of 65 days supply, the largest number of days supply ever reported. This is an increase of 42 days supply over the stocks on hand on June 30, 1942, and 36 days supply over the stocks of March 31 this year (revised). The previous record was 54 days supply on September 30, 1941.

Stocks of condensed milk, case goods, reported by wholesale grocers on June 30, 1943 was approximately the same as those of a year earlier and also of March 31 this year.

(Because of an error made in the report of a large wholesale grocer with many units scattered throughout the country, it has been necessary to revise the report for March 31, 1943. The revised table appears on the reverse side of this page).

STOCKS REPORTED JUNE 30, 1943

	Number of firms reporting	Condensed Milk (pounds)	Evaporated Milk (Pounds)
TOTAL			
JUNE 30, 1943	305	537,232	53,552,300
JUNE 30, 1942	333	509,188	20,494,948
MARCH 31, 1943*	323	514,385	29,174,630
MARCH 31, 1942	335	757,626	22,909,054
COMBINED TOTALS -			
JUNE 30, 1943	305	54,089,532	
JUNE 30, 1942	333	21,004,136	
MARCH 31, 1943*	323	29,689,015	
MARCH 31, 1942	335	23,666,680	

\*Revised figures include late reports.

COMPARISON FOR SAME FIRMS REPORTING DIFFERENT PERIODS

		(Pounds)		
290 Firms - Evap. Milk -	June 30, 1943 -	53,103,718	296 Firms - June 30, 1943 -	53,438,341
" " "	June 30, 1942 -	19,131,419	" Mar. 31, 1943 -	28,245,647
" Cond. Milk -	June 30, 1943 -	527,948	" June 30, 1943 -	531,044
" " "	June 30, 1942 -	493,881	" Mar. 31, 1943 -	505,273
266 firms reported an average of 65 days' supply - June 30, 1943				
322	" " " " " "	23	" " -	June 30, 1942 (Revised)
287	" " " " " "	29	" " -	Mar. 31, 1943

STOCKS REPORTED MARCH 31, 1943			
		Number of firms reporting	Evaporated Milk (Pounds)
TOTAL	MAR. 31, 1943	317	29,075,260
	MAR. 31, 1942	335	22,909,054
	DEC. 31, 1942*	333	13,689,894
	DEC. 31, 1941	330	28,413,391
COMBINED TOTALS -			(pounds)
	MAR. 31, 1943	317	29,588,298
	MAR. 31, 1942	335	23,666,680
	DEC. 31, 1942	333	14,058,950
	DEC. 31, 1941	330	28,888,378

\*Revised figures include late reports.

COMPARISON FOR SAME FIRMS REPORTING DIFFERENT PERIODS  
(Pounds)

301 Firms - Evap. Milk - Mar. 31, 1943 - 28,916,802	308 Firms - Mar. 31, 1943 - 28,988,527
" " " - Mar. 31, 1942 - 21,983,463	" - Dec. 31, 1942 - 13,424,423
" Cond. Milk - Mar. 31, 1943 - 512,507	" - Mar. 31, 1943 - 512,480
" " " - Mar. 31, 1942 - 736,215	" - Dec. 31, 1942 - 360,887
283 firms reported an average of 29 days' supply - Mar. 31, 1943	
323 " " " " " 29 " " - Mar. 31, 1942 (Revised)	
291 " " " " " 16 " " - Dec. 31, 1942	

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