

# WHAT IS THE FOOD SITUATION FOR 1949?

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## GENERAL OUTLOOK

1. Record crops of 1948 have increased food supplies and improved the world food situation outlook.
2. No slackening of consumer demand for food is expected, unless consumer incomes should drop sharply in 1949.
3. Food prices in 1948 averaged over double those from 1935-39.
4. In 1949, food prices will be forced lower, and will mean more dollars for other purchases. But sharp cuts will take time.

## BREAD AND CEREAL PRODUCTS

With larger supplies of wheat and corn available for domestic use, prices of bread and cereal products will be low in 1949.

## POULTRY AND EGGS

1. Production is not as likely to be as large next year.

2. Lower prices will show up in stores by spring of 1949 as a result of record grain crops.

## MEAT

1. There will be no larger meat supply on the average in 1949 than the supply in 1948. There will be more pork, but less beef.
2. Prices of meats are not likely to decline very much in 1949.

## MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS

1. Only slight increase in milk production is likely in 1949 as compared to 1948.
2. Prices may increase some but will average about the same the first half of 1948 as in 1949.

## OTHER FOODS

1. Fresh fruits supplies will perhaps be larger and prices lower.
2. Fats and oils will be at cheaper prices.

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