



# Stocks of frozen and chilled meats

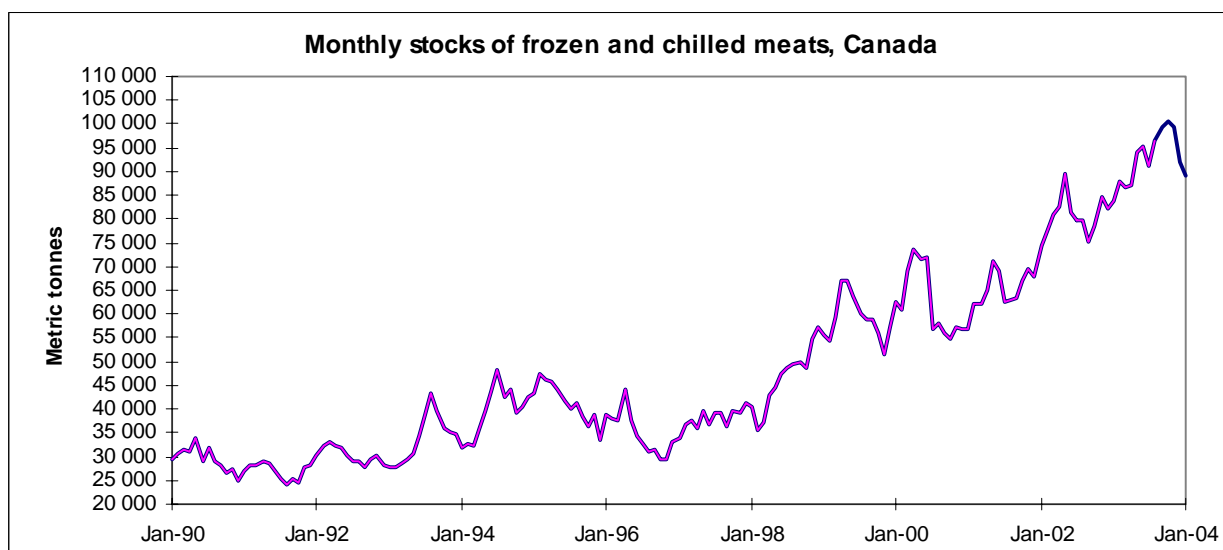
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### Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of January amounted to 89 237 metric tonnes, down 3% from 92 180 tonnes in December and up 7% from 83 692 tonnes in January 2003. Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage on January 1 totalled 46 886 metric tonnes, down 11% from January 1, 2003. The graph below depicts the monthly stocks of all frozen and chilled red meat from January 1990 to January 2004.



### Methodology

This bulletin presents data on stocks of frozen and chilled meats at the wholesale level obtained from a monthly census of known cold storage establishments registered with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Included are such facilities as meat packers, wholesale butchers, abattoirs, and central warehouses of large retail grocery stores. Data not received in time for publication for the current month are estimated through imputation until such time as actual data are available. Therefore, current month data are preliminary and subject to revision.

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Table 1. Stocks of frozen and chilled meats in cold storage - Canada	January 01, 2003	December 01, 2003	January 01, 2004p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
<b>Pork :</b>					
Hams	4 590	5 532	6 202	12%	35%
Loins	3 946	2 337	3 693	58%	-6%
Bellies	1 326	1 203	1 287	7%	-3%
Butts	3 803	2 464	2 190	-11%	-42%
Picnics	2 780	2 384	2 521	6%	-9%
Ribs	5 679	4 319	4 408	2%	-22%
Backs and shoulders	3 193	2 874	3 043	6%	-5%
Trimming	8 767	7 763	8 067	4%	-8%
Unclassified	13 267	10 761	10 895	1%	-18%
<b>Total pork</b>	<b>47 350</b>	<b>39 637</b>	<b>42 307</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>-11%</b>
<b>Beef :</b>					
Beef, bone-in	2 270	2 792	3 749	34%	65%
Beef, boneless	20 623	32 916	29 483	-10%	43%
<b>Total beef</b>	<b>22 893</b>	<b>35 708</b>	<b>33 232</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>45%</b>
<b>Veal :</b>					
Veal, bone-in	508	720	722	0%	42%
Veal, boneless	617	1 663	1 710	3%	177%
<b>Total veal</b>	<b>1 125</b>	<b>2 383</b>	<b>2 432</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>116%</b>
<b>Mutton &amp; lamb :</b>	<b>1 190</b>	<b>1 496</b>	<b>1 093</b>	<b>-27%</b>	<b>-8%</b>
<b>Fancy meats :</b>					
Pork fancy meats	6 882	5 383	3 079	-43%	-55%
Beef fancy meats	3 861	6 836	6 375	-7%	65%
Veal fancy meats	241	608	598	-2%	148%
Lamb fancy meats	150	131	120	-8%	-20%
<b>Total fancy meats</b>	<b>11 133</b>	<b>12 957</b>	<b>10 173</b>	<b>-21%</b>	<b>-9%</b>
<b>Total red meat</b>	<b>83 692</b>	<b>92 180</b>	<b>89 237</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Poultry</b>					
Chicken and fowl	33 007	26 478	27 332	3%	-17%
Turkey	13 790	30 707	15 890	-48%	15%
Other poultry	5 732	4 186	3 665	-12%	-36%
<b>Total poultry</b>	<b>52 528</b>	<b>61 371</b>	<b>46 886</b>	<b>-24%</b>	<b>-11%</b>

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats - Canada	January 01, 2003	December 01, 2003	January 01, 2004p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Beef, bone-in	455	409	596	46%	31%
Beef, boneless	9 877	14 871	13 332	-10%	35%
Veal	180	151	291	93%	62%
Mutton	55	53	32	-40%	-42%
Lamb	1 103	1 403	1 027	-27%	-7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 671</b>	<b>16 886</b>	<b>15 278</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>31%</b>

Table 3. Frozen and chilled meats in cold storage - by province	Pork	Beef	Veal	Mutton & lamb	Fancy meats	Total
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
<b>January 01, 2004p</b>						
Atlantic provinces	660	1 438	x	x	x	2 246
Quebec	13 094	5 390	1 942	174	4 130	24 732
Ontario	8 953	x	401	x	2 241	24 677
Manitoba	8 099	442	x	x	x	9 013
Saskatchewan	1 683	x	0	x	820	2 690
Alberta	8 131	10 578	46	75	1 804	20 634
British Columbia	1 685	2 840	37	114	568	5 244

p = preliminary; x = suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act

Note: Due to rounding, totals may not add

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