



Stocks of frozen and chilled meats

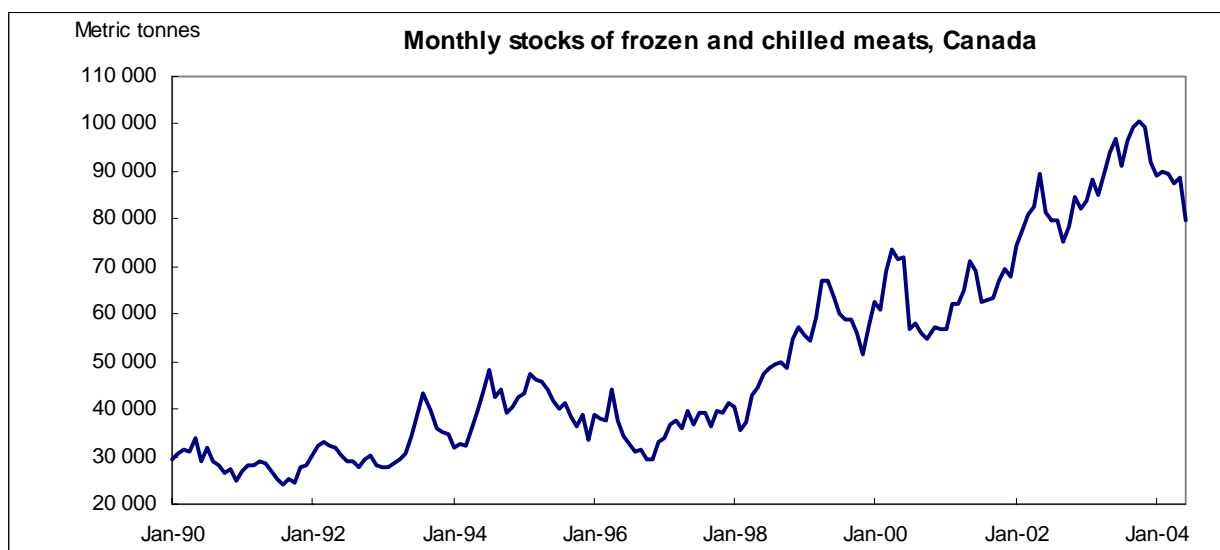
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Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of June amounted to 79 536 metric tonnes, down 10% from 88 864 tonnes in May and down 18% from 96 853 tonnes in June 2003. Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage on June 1 totalled 52,489 metric tonnes, down 5% from June 1, 2003. The graph below depicts the monthly stocks of all frozen and chilled red meat from January 1990 to June 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	June 1, 2003	May 1, 2004	June 1, 2004^P	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Pork :					
Hams	5 932	7 583	6 326	-17%	7%
Loins	3 209	3 336	2 614	-22%	-19%
Bellies	1 401	1 005	742	-26%	-47%
Butts	3 775	1 840	1 955	6%	-48%
Picnics	2 363	2 600	2 306	-11%	-2%
Ribs	6 115	4 163	3 735	-10%	-39%
Backs and shoulders	3 646	2 702	2 288	-15%	-37%
Trimmings	8 939	6 290	5 922	-6%	-34%
Unclassified	15 540	10 440	8 916	-15%	-43%
Total pork	50 922	39 958	34 804	-13%	-32%
Beef :					
Beef, bone-in	3 104	4 125	4 005	-3%	29%
Beef, boneless	25 306	27 449	25 362	-8%	0%
Total beef	28 410	31 573	29 367	-7%	3%
Veal :					
Veal, bone-in	115	794	593	-25%	416%
Veal, boneless	854	1 977	1 445	-27%	69%
Total veal	970	2 772	2 038	-26%	110%
Mutton & lamb :	1 895	1 541	1 582	3%	-17%
Fancy meats :					
Pork fancy meats	6 153	6 257	5 800	-7%	-6%
Beef fancy meats	6 168	6 291	5 498	-13%	-11%
Veal fancy meats	2 232	232	255	10%	-89%
Lamb fancy meats	105	240	192	-20%	83%
Total fancy meats	14 657	13 020	11 745	-10%	-20%
Total red meat	96 853	88 864	79 536	-10%	-18%
Poultry					
Chicken and fowl	27 255	28 838	27 370	-5%	0%
Turkey	23 692	17 918	20 395	14%	-14%
Other poultry	4 093	4 923	4 725	-4%	15%
Total poultry	55 040	51 679	52 489	2%	-5%

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats - Canada	June 1, 2003	May 1, 2004	June 1, 2004^P	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Beef, bone-in	445	571	1 015	78%	128%
Beef, boneless	12 031	11 569	11 087	-4%	-8%
Veal	255	133	103	-23%	-59%
Mutton	35	127	235	85%	571%
Lamb	1 810	1 384	1 312	-5%	-28%
Total	14 576	13 784	13 752	0%	-6%

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
June 1, 2004^P						
Atlantic provinces	742	1 758	x	x	195	2 703
Quebec	9 592	4 599	1 650	132	2 377	18 351
Ontario	7 514	10 202	306	x	x	21 244
Manitoba	7 204	299	x	x	x	7 857
Saskatchewan	1 508	x	0	x	1 110	2 771
Alberta	7 038	x	54	x	4 879	22 031
British Columbia	1 207	2 366	23	553	431	4 580

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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