



Stocks of frozen and chilled meats

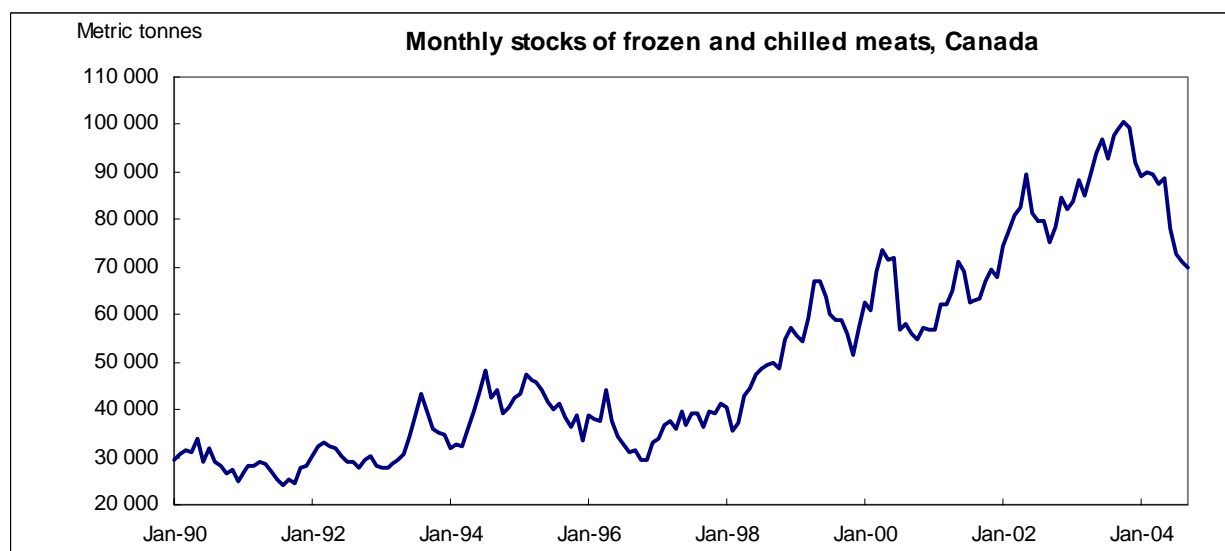
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Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of September 2004 amounted to 69 849 metric tonnes, down 2% from 70 994 tonnes in August and down 29% from 98 828 tonnes in September 2003. Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage on September 1 totalled 64 899 metric tonnes, down 1% from September 2003. The graph below depicts the monthly stocks of all frozen and chilled red meat from January 1990 to September 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	September 1, 2003	August 1, 2004	September 1, 2004p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Pork :					
Hams	6 093	3 552	3 355	-6%	-45%
Loins	2 754	2 378	2 450	3%	-11%
Bellies	1 014	841	764	-9%	-25%
Butts	2 393	1 322	1 398	6%	-42%
Picnics	2 576	1 640	2 372	45%	-8%
Ribs	4 621	2 785	3 008	8%	-35%
Backs and shoulders	3 365	1 923	2 704	41%	-20%
Trimmings	6 014	5 074	5 549	9%	-8%
Unclassified	10 726	8 912	8 356	-6%	-22%
Total pork	39 556	28 427	29 957	5%	-24%
Beef :					
Beef, bone-in	3 828	3 476	3 128	-10%	-18%
Beef, boneless	35 046	24 346	22 373	-8%	-36%
Total beef	38 873	27 822	25 501	-8%	-34%
Veal :					
Veal, bone-in	1 060	378	321	-15%	-70%
Veal, boneless	1 220	1 529	1 328	-13%	9%
Total veal	2 280	1 907	1 649	-14%	-28%
Mutton & lamb :	1 747	1 705	1 567	-8%	-10%
Fancy meats :					
Pork fancy meats	5 903	5 802	5 921	2%	0%
Beef fancy meats	9 656	5 005	4 954	-1%	-49%
Veal fancy meats	610	176	185	5%	-70%
Lamb fancy meats	202	151	116	-23%	-43%
Total fancy meats	16 371	11 134	11 176	0%	-32%
Total red meat	98 828	70 994	69 849	-2%	-29%
Poultry					
Chicken and fowl	23 685	28 352	28 810	2%	22%
Turkey	37 264	26 982	29 942	11%	-20%
Other poultry	4 656	5 013	6 146	23%	32%
Total poultry	65 605	60 347	64 899	8%	-1%

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats - Canada	September 1, 2003	August 1, 2004	September 1, 2004p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Beef, bone-in	430	510	449	-12%	4%
Beef, boneless	16 069	8 665	8 672	0%	-46%
Veal	156	208	194	-7%	24%
Mutton	45	107	113	6%	151%
Lamb	1 661	1 547	1 395	-10%	-16%
Total	18 361	11 039	10 824	-2%	-41%

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
September 1, 2004p						
Atlantic provinces	426	1 466	x	x	73	1 967
Quebec	7 099	5 847	1 209	113	1 791	16 059
Ontario	x	7 129	306	x	1 774	16 483
Manitoba	6 120	x	x	x	x	6 662
Saskatchewan	x	x	0	x	1 145	3 724
Alberta	5 969	8 111	69	x	x	19 835
British Columbia	1 339	2 625	63	603	488	5 118

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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