



Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats

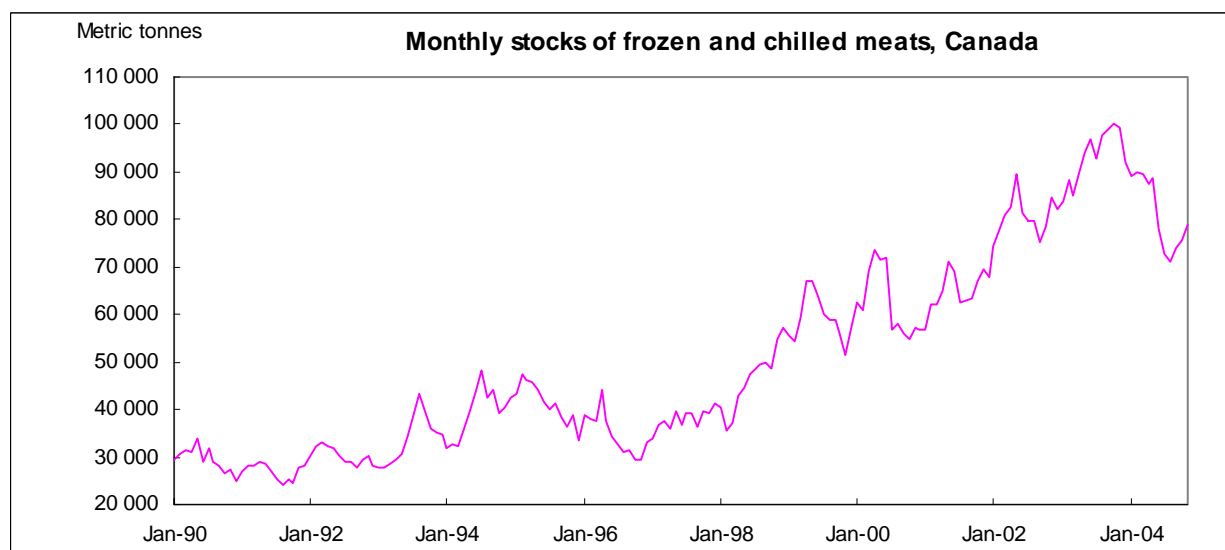
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Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of November 2004 amounted to 78 946 metric tonnes, up 4% from 75 556 tonnes in October and down 20% from 99 221 tonnes in November 2003. Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage on November 1st totalled 63 236 metric tonnes, up 4% from November 2003.



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.

For more details on concepts and methodology, please contact Client Services, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, at 1-800-465-1991 or by email: agriculture@statcan.ca.

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Table 1. Stocks of frozen and chilled meats in cold storage - Canada	November 1, 2003	October 1, 2004	November 1, 2004 ^P	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Pork :					
Hams	5 649	3 717	5 750	55%	2%
Loins	2 390	2 336	2 187	-6%	-8%
Bellies	1 117	1 299	1 021	-21%	-9%
Butts	2 476	1 232	1 462	19%	-41%
Picnics	3 335	2 863	1 793	-37%	-46%
Ribs	4 169	3 047	2 918	-4%	-30%
Backs and shoulders	2 459	2 805	2 486	-11%	1%
Trimmings	6 832	5 777	6 345	10%	-7%
Unclassified	11 251	9 594	10 620	11%	-6%
Total pork	39 677	32 669	34 581	6%	-13%
Beef :					
Beef, bone-in	4 173	3 807	3 701	-3%	-11%
Beef, boneless	35 033	24 365	26 251	8%	-25%
Total beef	39 206	28 171	29 952	6%	-24%
Veal :					
Veal, bone-in	647	319	282	-12%	-56%
Veal, boneless	2 011	1 148	1 321	15%	-34%
Total veal	2 659	1 467	1 603	9%	-40%
Mutton & lamb :	1 500	1 369	1 480	8%	-1%
Fancy meats :					
Pork fancy meats	7 759	6 563	6 134	-7%	-21%
Beef fancy meats	7 816	5 021	4 870	-3%	-38%
Veal fancy meats	432	200	225	13%	-48%
Lamb fancy meats	174	96	101	5%	-42%
Total fancy meats	16 180	11 880	11 330	-5%	-30%
Total red meat	99 221	75 556	78 946	4%	-20%
Poultry					
Chicken and fowl	24 303	30 935	33 681	9%	39%
Turkey	31 659	26 472	25 259	-5%	-20%
Other poultry	4 689	5 272	4 296	-19%	-8%
Total poultry	60 651	62 679	63 236	1%	4%

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats - Canada	November 1, 2003	October 1, 2004	November 1, 2004 ^P	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Beef, bone-in	435	553	543	-2%	25%
Beef, boneless	15 015	8 163	8 766	7%	-42%
Veal	217	258	236	-9%	9%
Mutton	47	124	128	3%	172%
Lamb	1 400	1 198	1 299	8%	-7%
Total	17 114	10 296	10 972	7%	-36%

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
November 1, 2004 ^P						
Atlantic provinces	464	1 378	0	x	x	1 879
Quebec	10 556	5 496	1 111	112	1 895	19 170
Ontario	7 118	x	329	x	1 904	18 230
Manitoba	x	240	x	x	x	7 479
Saskatchewan	1 370	x	0	x	1 152	2 609
Alberta	6 953	12 376	x	x	5 521	25 022
British Columbia	x	2 261	83	x	499	4 557

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Note: Due to rounding, totals may not add

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