



Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats

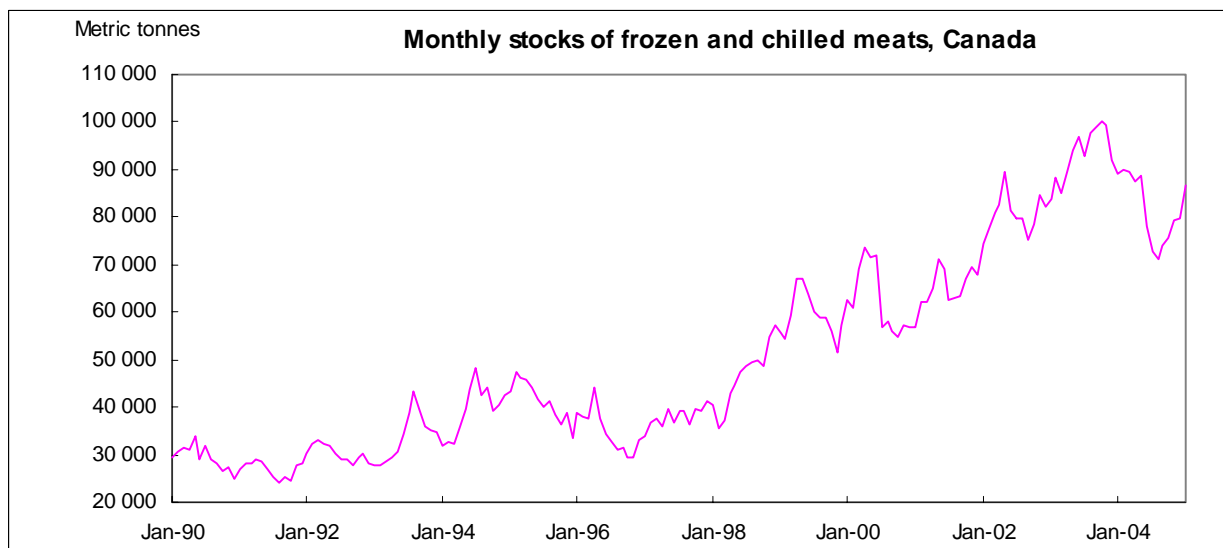
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Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of January 2005 amounted to 86 531 metric tonnes, up 4% from 82 875 tonnes in December and down 3% from 89 630 tonnes in January 2004. The graph below depicts the monthly stocks of all frozen and chilled red meat from January 1990 to January 2005.



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 1, 2004	December 1, 2004	January 1, 2005 ^P	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Pork :					
Hams	6 326	6 098	7 076	16%	12%
Loins	3 694	2 364	3 124	32%	-15%
Bellies	1 319	1 240	1 576	27%	19%
Butts	2 266	1 479	1 802	22%	-20%
Picnics	2 445	2 073	2 721	31%	11%
Ribs	4 001	3 179	3 554	12%	-11%
Backs and shoulders	3 055	2 554	3 177	24%	4%
Trimnings	8 075	7 001	7 413	6%	-8%
Unclassified	10 949	11 756	12 576	7%	15%
Total pork	42 130	37 744	43 020	14%	2%
Beef :					
Beef, bone-in	3 967	3 926	3 772	-4%	-5%
Beef, boneless	29 661	26 888	26 197	-3%	-12%
Total beef	33 627	30 814	29 970	-3%	-11%
Veal :					
Veal, bone-in	701	248	190	-23%	-73%
Veal, boneless	1 734	1 156	1 079	-7%	-38%
Total veal	2 435	1 405	1 269	-10%	-48%
Mutton & lamb :	1 105	1 362	1 395	2%	26%
Fancy meats :					
Pork fancy meats	3 085	6 297	6 572	4%	113%
Beef fancy meats	6 545	4 880	4 015	-18%	-39%
Veal fancy meats	583	217	180	-17%	-69%
Lamb fancy meats	120	156	110	-29%	-8%
Total fancy meats	10 333	11 551	10 877	-6%	5%
Total red meat	89 630	82 875	86 531	4%	-3%
Poultry					
Chicken and fowl	..	..	..	..	..
Turkey	..	..	..	..	..
Other poultry	..	..	..	..	..
Total poultry	..	..	..	..	..

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats - Canada	January 1, 2004	December 1, 2004	January 1, 2005 ^P	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Beef, bone-in	520	544	552	1%	6%
Beef, boneless	13 492	8 574	8 060	-6%	-40%
Veal	282	262	206	-21%	-27%
Mutton	32	140	151	8%	372%
Lamb	1 039	1 161	1 195	3%	15%
Total	15 366	10 680	10 163	-5%	-34%

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
January 1, 2005 ^P						
Atlantic provinces	528	1 230	0	x	x	x
Quebec	12 604	5 277	913	114	2 044	20 952
Ontario	8 688	8 596	239	732	1 918	20 172
Manitoba	x	191	x	x	x	x
Saskatchewan	x	x	x	x	858	2 771
Alberta	8 140	12 169	80	56	5 317	25 763
British Columbia	1 561	x	33	x	564	5 087

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Note: Due to rounding, totals may not add

..= figures not available

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