



Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats

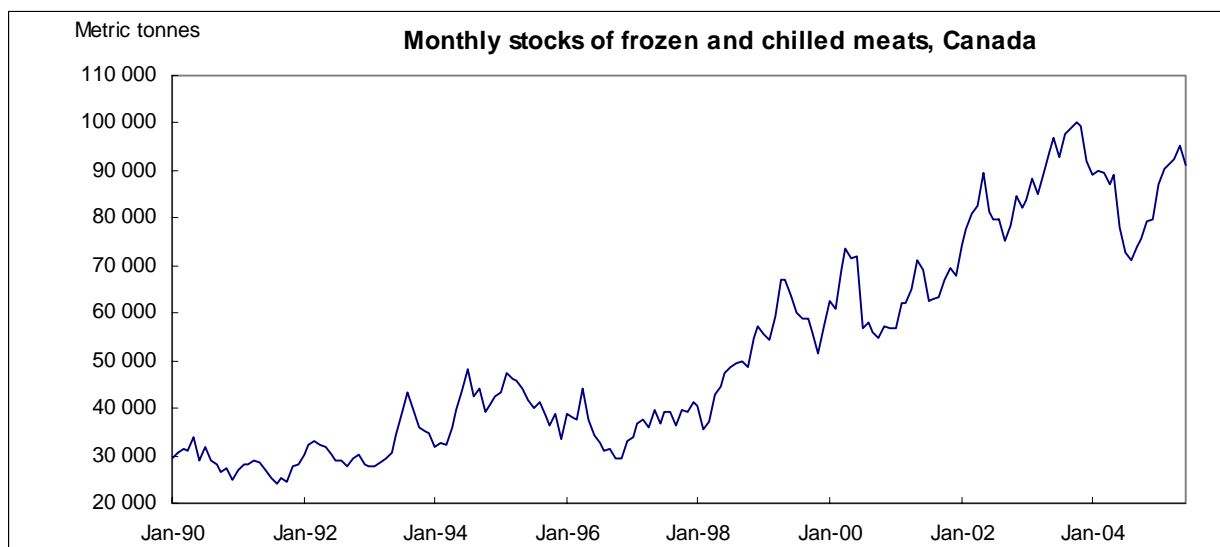
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Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of June 2005 amounted to 91 210 metric tonnes, down 4% from 95 104 tonnes in May and up 17% from 78 094 tonnes in June 2004. Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage on June 1st totalled 65 977 metric tonnes, up 25% from a year ago. The graph below depicts the monthly stocks of all frozen and chilled red meat from January 1990 to June 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	June 1, 2004	May 1, 2005	June 1, 2005p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Pork :					
Hams	5 593	7 838	7 458	-5%	33%
Loins	2 324	4 871	4 646	-5%	100%
Bellies	598	956	912	-5%	53%
Butts	1 738	2 102	1 891	-10%	9%
Picnics	2 141	2 066	2 498	21%	17%
Ribs	3 383	4 534	4 209	-7%	24%
Backs and shoulders	1 921	2 543	2 650	4%	38%
Trimnings	5 072	7 894	6 566	-17%	29%
Unclassified	8 860	14 044	12 337	-12%	39%
Total pork	31 629	46 848	43 167	-8%	36%
Beef :					
Beef, bone-in	4 178	4 768	4 303	-10%	3%
Beef, boneless	27 091	27 138	26 267	-3%	-3%
Total beef	31 269	31 906	30 570	-4%	-2%
Veal :					
Veal, bone-in	391	281	235	-16%	-40%
Veal, boneless	1 421	1 011	956	-5%	-33%
Total veal	1 813	1 292	1 191	-8%	-34%
Mutton & lamb :	1 556	2 018	1 963	-3%	26%
Fancy meats :					
Pork fancy meats	5 727	7 839	9 294	19%	62%
Beef fancy meats	5 652	4 865	4 619	-5%	-18%
Veal fancy meats	255	209	256	22%	0%
Lamb fancy meats	192	126	148	17%	-23%
Total fancy meats	11 827	13 040	14 318	10%	21%
Total red meat	78 094	95 104	91 210	-4%	17%
Poultry					
Chicken and fowl	27 636	32 906	40 415	23%	46%
Turkey	20 435	17 525	21 000	20%	3%
Other poultry	4 715	4 845	4 563	-6%	-3%
Total poultry	52 786	55 276	65 977	19%	25%

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats - Canada	June 1, 2004	May 1, 2005	June 1, 2005p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes		
Beef, bone-in	1 028	730	763	5%	-26%
Beef, boneless	11 610	8 431	8 347	-1%	-28%
Veal	87	283	256	-10%	194%
Mutton	246	393	275	-30%	12%
Lamb	1 266	1 467	1 522	4%	20%
Total	14 237	11 304	11 163	-1%	-22%

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, 2005p						
Atlantic provinces	401	1 488	x	x	28	1 920
Quebec	12 715	5 225	818	213	1 642	20 613
Ontario	8 653	7 809	254	1 009	2 522	20 246
Manitoba	x	x	x	x	76	x
Saskatchewan	x	x	0	x	466	2 919
Alberta	9 659	12 779	69	69	8 889	31 465
British Columbia	1 761	2 439	48	x	695	x

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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