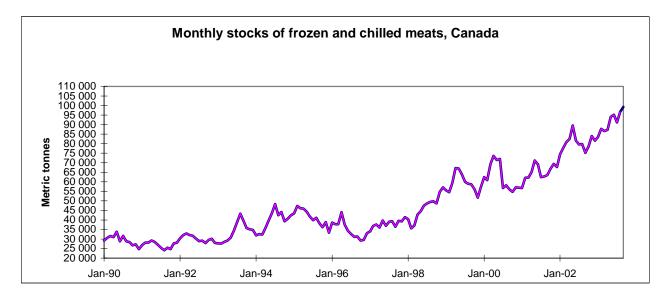


Highlights

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of September amounted to 99 273 metric tonnes, up 3% from 96 637 tonnes in August and up 32% from 75 166 tonnes in September 2002. The graph below depicts the monthly stocks of all frozen and chilled red meat from January 1990 to September 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.

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Table 1. Stocks of frozen and chilled meats in cold storage, tonnes - Canada	Sentember 01 2002		September 01, 2003p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
Pork :					
Hams	5 086	5 366	5 940		
Loins	2 362	2 497	2 669	7%	13%
Bellies	1 177	825	808	-2%	
Butts	2 174	2 686	2 426	-10%	
Picnics	2 770	2 457	2 556	4%	-8%
Ribs	3 880	5 531	4 814	-13%	
Backs and shoulders	2 827	4 401	3 591	-18%	
Trimmings	7 355	5 151	5 742	11%	-22%
Unclassified	11 416	12 069	10 953	-9%	-4%
Total pork	39 047	40 982	39 499	-4%	1%
Beef :					
Beef, bone-in	2 646	3 889	3 793	-2%	43%
Beef, boneless	21 268	29 809	34 599	16%	63%
Total beef	23 914	33 697	38 392	14%	61%
Veal :					
Veal, bone-in	373	953	1 009	6%	171%
Veal, boneless	657	1 228	1 243	1%	89%
Total veal	1 030	2 181	2 252	3%	119%
Mutton & lamb :	1 126	1 712	1 728	1%	53%
Fancy meats :					
Pork fancy meats	5 756	6 693	6 934	4%	20%
Beef fancy meats	3 872	10 604	9 654	-9%	149%
Veal fancy meats	350	649	610	-6%	
Lamb fancy meats	72	119	203	71%	182%
Total fancy meats	10 049	18 066	17 401	-4%	73%
Total red meat	75 166	96 637	99 273	3%	32%
	18 188	50 001	55 210	070	0270
Poultry				10/	
Chicken and Fowl	28 818	27 636	26 402	-4%	-8%
Turkey	39 692	32 027	37 450	17%	-6%
Other Poultry	6 461	3 982	4 674	17%	-28%
Total poultry	74 971	63 645	68 526	8%	-9%

Table 2. Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats, tonnes - Canada	September 01, 2002	August 01, 2003	September 01, 2003p	% Change to previous month	% Change to previous year
Beef, bone-in	430	955	428	-55%	0%
Beef, boneless	10 625	14 972	15 845	6%	49%
Veal	126	129	156	21%	24%
Mutton	115	54	44	-19%	-62%
Lamb	975	1 604	1 643	2%	69%
Total	12 271	17 713	18 116	2%	48%

Table 3. Tonnes of frozen and chilled meats in cold storage - by province	Pork	Beef	Veal	Mutton & lamb	Fancy meats	Total
September 01, 2003p						
Atlantic provinces	572	1 488	x	x	126	2 193
Quebec	13 394	6 401	1 796	173	5 240	27 004
Ontario	9 853	13 646	366	x	x	26 923
Manitoba	x	х	x	x	x	7 761
Saskatchewan	1 107	х	0	x	917	2 147
Alberta	6 389	12 795	48	101	7 729	27 061
British Columbia	x	3 310	39	x	895	6 185

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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