## Service bulletin

# Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats

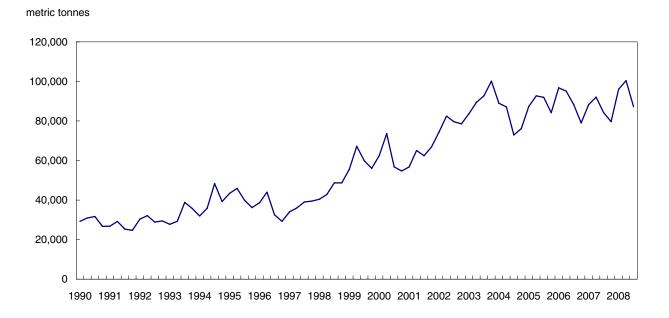


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## **Highlights**

• The July 2008 stocks of red meat in storage amounted to 87 235 metric tonnes. This is up 4% from a year ago, but down 13% from April 2008. The stocks of poultry meat was 78 123 metric tonnes for July 2008, which is up 20% from last year, and up 17% from April 2008.

Chart 1
Monthly stocks of frozen and chilled meats, Canada





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## Statistical tables

Table 1 Stocks of frozen and chilled meats in cold storage, Canada

	As	As	As	Percentage change	
	of July 2007	of April 2008	of July 2008 <sup>p</sup>	Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
Pork					
Hams	7,190	11,854	12,013	1	67
Loins	4,830	7,266	6,773	-7	40
Bellies	757	1,177	1,549	32	105
Butts	1,976	2,124	1,485	-30	-25
Picnics	3,059	4,569	3,358	-27	10
Ribs	3,512	6,023	5,065	-16	44
Backs and shoulders	3,115	3,945	4,101	4	32
Trimmings	7,924	8,467	6,457	-24	-19
Unclassified pork	10,363	10,249	10,688	4	3
Pork, total	42,727	55,672	51,490	-8	21
Beef					
Bone-in	4,256	3,595	3,298	-8	-23
Boneless	25,555	26,793	19,414	-28	-24
Beef, total	29,811	30,389	22,713	-25	-24
Veal					
Bone-in	893	474	578	22	-35
Boneless	1,425	1,120	1,401	25	-2
Veal, total	2,318	1,594	1,979	24	-15
Mutton and lamb, total	1,656	2,108	1,545	-27	-7
Fancy pork	2,584	4,316	4,686	9	81
Fancy beef	4,448	6,284	4,518	-28	2
Fancy veal	196	225	63	-72	-68
Fancy lamb	497	175	241	38	-52
Fancy meat, total	7,725	11,000	9,508	-14	23
Total meat	84,237	100,763	87,235	-13	4

P preliminary data.

Note(s): Months shown refer to the first business day.

Table 2 Stocks of frozen poultry meats in cold storage, Canada

	July 2007	April 2008	July 2008 <sup>p</sup>	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
Poultry Chickens, total Turkeys, total Other fowl, total Poultry meat, total	33,168 27,754 4,290 <b>65,211</b>	42,890 19,311 4,530 <b>66,732</b>	41,726 32,001 4,396 <b>78,123</b>	-3 66 -3 17	26 15 2 <b>20</b>

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Table 3
Stocks of frozen and chilled imported meats in cold storage, Canada

	As	As	As	Percentage change		
	of July 2007	of April 2008	of July 2008 <sup>p</sup>	Previous quarter	Previous year	
		tonnes			percent	
Beef, bone-in Beef, boneless	1,134 6,760	686 7,009	543 5,125	-21 -27	-52 -24	
Total veal	325	164	187	14	-42 -22	
Total mutton Total lamb	357 1,042	88 1,884	277 1,157	215 -39	11	
Total	9,619	9,831	7,288	-26	-24	

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Table 4
Frozen and chilled meats in cold storage by province

	As of July 2008 P						
	Pork, total	Beef, total	Veal, total	Mutton and lamb, total	Fancy meat, total	Stocks of frozen and chilled meats, total	
	tonnes						
Atlantic Provinces Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	x 18,493 7,542 x x 9,958 5,198	645 2,235 5,590 x x 12,682 1,427	0 x 123 x 0 30 x	0 x 711 x x 49 x	x 3,175 2,704 x x 2,005 x	911 25,875 16,671 x x 24,724 8,408	

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## **Methodology**

This bulletin presents data on stocks of frozen and chilled meats at the wholesale level obtained from a quarterly 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 period are estimated through imputation until such time as actual data are available. Therefore, current quarterly data are preliminary and subject to revision.

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