

Service bulletin

Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats



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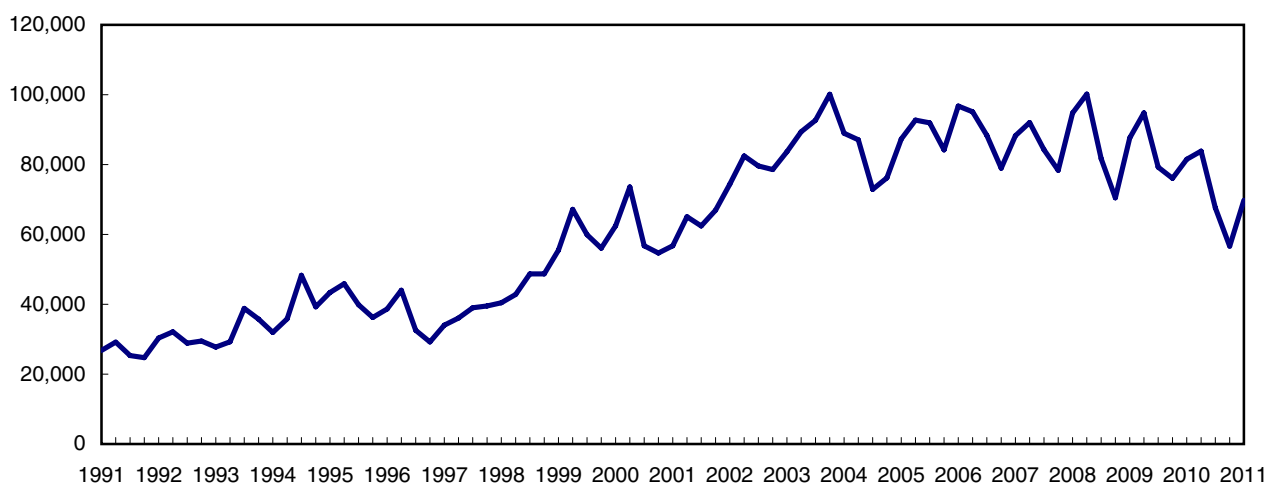
Highlights

- Stocks of frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage totalled 69 784 metric tonnes in January, down 14% from January 2010, while the stocks of poultry meat decreased 11% from a year earlier to 53 012 metric tonnes.
- Compared with October 2010, stocks of frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage were up 23% while stocks of poultry meat were down 30%.

Chart 1

Quarterly stocks of frozen and chilled meats, Canada

metric tonnes



Statistical tables

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

	As of January 2010	As of October 2010	As of January 2011 ^p	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
Pork					
Hams	4,341	4,098	5,259	28	21
Loins	8,305	4,820	5,642	17	-32
Bellies	1,428	771	948	23	-34
Butts	1,737	1,127	1,459	29	-16
Picnics	1,440	2,601	3,877	49	169
Ribs	5,955	2,526	3,432	36	-42
Backs and shoulders	3,860	3,046	3,504	15	-9
Trimming	6,649	5,673	4,113	-27	-38
Unclassified pork	10,841	6,457	10,627	65	-2
Pork, total	44,556	31,118	38,862	25	-13
Beef					
Bone-in	4,902	2,487	2,402	-3	-51
Boneless	20,705	13,778	18,432	34	-11
Beef, total	25,607	16,265	20,834	28	-19
Veal					
Bone-in	644	301	219	-27	-66
Boneless	1,768	1,083	834	-23	-53
Veal, total	2,412	1,384	1,053	-24	-56
Mutton and lamb, total	2,148	1,897	1,939	2	-10
Fancy pork	2,395	2,708	2,491	-8	4
Fancy beef	4,095	2,959	4,364	47	7
Fancy veal	104	113	92	-19	-12
Fancy lamb	204	197	150	-24	-26
Fancy meat, total	6,797	5,976	7,096	19	4
Total meat	81,521	56,640	69,784	23	-14

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

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

	January 2010	October 2010	January 2011 ^p	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
Poultry					
Chickens, total	38,387	34,440	37,002	7	-4
Turkeys, total	18,336	37,505	12,665	-66	-31
Other fowl, total	2,929	3,328	3,346	1	14
Poultry meat, total	59,653	75,273	53,012	-30	-11

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

	As of January 2010	As of October 2010	As of January 2011 ^P	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
Beef, bone-in	320	293	326	11	2
Beef, boneless	5,627	3,860	5,360	39	-5
Total veal	108	109	94	-14	-13
Total mutton	74	211	22	-90	-70
Total lamb	1,998	1,606	1,813	13	-9
Total	8,127	6,079	7,614	25	-6

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

Table 4
Frozen and chilled meats in cold storage by province

	As of January 2011 ^P					
	Pork, total	Beef, total	Veal, total	Mutton and lamb, total	Fancy meat, total	Stocks of frozen and chilled meats, total
	tonnes					
Atlantic provinces	202	368	0	x	x	595
Quebec	10,415	2,614	867	201	1,155	15,253
Ontario	6,555	6,416	x	x	3,066	16,905
Manitoba	x	x	x	x	x	x
Saskatchewan	x	x	0	0	0	x
Alberta	7,906	10,163	14	48	1,772	19,903
British Columbia	1,153	1,158	x	x	x	4,361

Note(s): Month shown refers to the first business day.

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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0 ^s	value rounded to 0 (zero) where there is a meaningful distinction between true zero and the value that was rounded
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r	revised
x	suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the <i>Statistics Act</i>
E	use with caution
F	too unreliable to be published

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