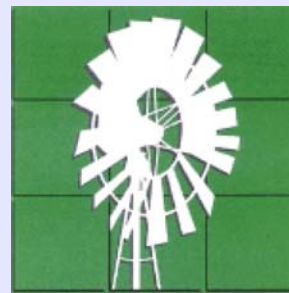


## Service bulletin

# Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats

October 2011

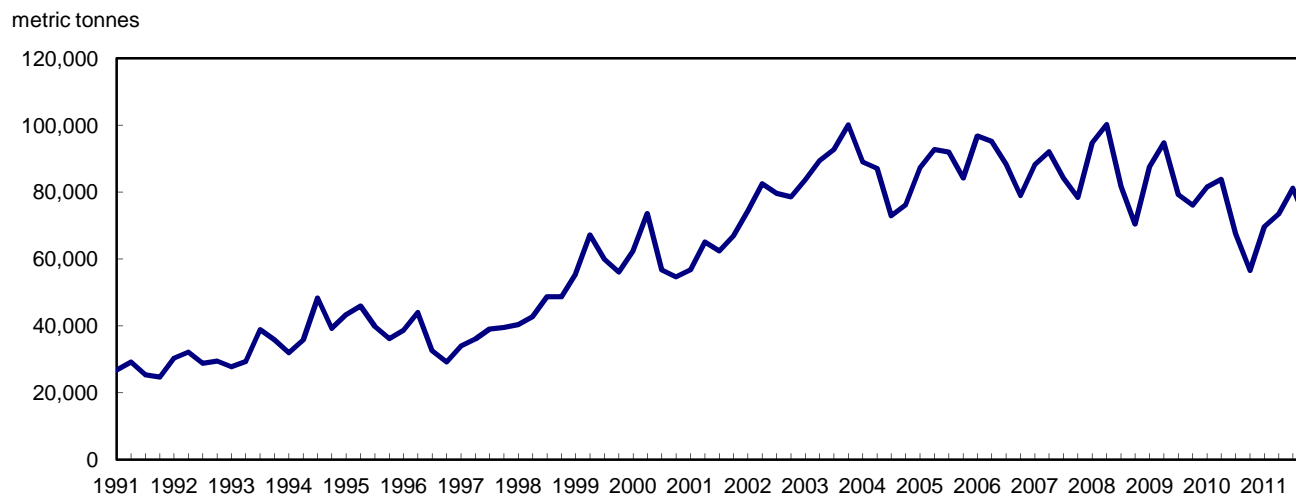


### Highlights

- Stocks of frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage totalled 70 570 metric tonnes in October, up 25% from October 2010, while the stocks of poultry meat decreased 7% from a year earlier to 69 756 metric tonnes.
- Compared with July 2011, stocks of frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage were down 13% while stocks of poultry meat were down 9%.

### Chart 1

Quarterly stocks of frozen and chilled meats, Canada



## Statistical tables

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

	As of October 2010	As of July 2011	As of October 2011 <sup>P</sup>	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
<b>Pork</b>					
Hams	4,098	9,755	8,838	-9	116
Loins	4,820	6,863	5,916	-14	23
Bellies	771	729	764	5	-1
Butts	1,127	2,403	1,811	-25	61
Picnics	2,601	5,986	2,979	-50	15
Ribs	2,526	3,701	3,597	-3	42
Backs and shoulders	3,046	3,230	1,817	-44	-40
Trimmings	5,649	6,090	4,959	-19	-12
Unclassified pork	6,457	14,100	12,813	-9	98
<b>Pork, total</b>	<b>31,094</b>	<b>52,858</b>	<b>43,496</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Beef</b>					
Bone-in	2,487	2,590	2,157	-17	-13
Boneless	13,753	14,088	14,616	4	6
<b>Beef, total</b>	<b>16,239</b>	<b>16,678</b>	<b>16,773</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Veal</b>					
Bone-in	301	153	122	-20	-59
Boneless	1,086	924	937	1	-14
<b>Veal, total</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>1,076</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-24</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb, total</b>	<b>1,899</b>	<b>2,688</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>-10</b>
Fancy pork	2,708	4,162	3,992	-4	47
Fancy beef	2,959	3,522	3,433	-3	16
Fancy veal	113	100	86	-14	-24
Fancy lamb	197	53	15	-72	-92
<b>Fancy meat, total</b>	<b>5,976</b>	<b>7,837</b>	<b>7,526</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Total meat</b>	<b>56,594</b>	<b>81,138</b>	<b>70,570</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>25</b>

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

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

	October 2010	July 2011	October 2011 <sup>P</sup>	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
<b>Poultry</b>					
Chickens, total	34,440	41,526	36,701	-12	7
Turkeys, total	37,505	30,245	27,435	-9	-27
Other fowl, total	3,328	5,184	5,620	8	69
<b>Poultry meat, total</b>	<b>75,273</b>	<b>76,954</b>	<b>69,756</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-7</b>

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

	As of October 2010	As of July 2011	As of October 2011 <sup>p</sup>	Percentage change	
				Previous quarter	Previous year
	tonnes			percent	
Beef, bone-in	293	471	493	5	68
Beef, boneless	3,860	6,106	5,260	-14	36
Total veal	109	65	72	11	-34
Total mutton	211	152	182	20	-14
Total lamb	1,608	2,477	1,468	-41	-9
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,081</b>	<b>9,271</b>	<b>7,474</b>	<b>-19</b>	<b>23</b>

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

**Table 4**  
**Frozen and chilled meats in cold storage by province**

	As of October 2011 <sup>p</sup>					
	Pork, total	Beef, total	Veal, total	Mutton and lamb, total	Fancy meat, total	Stocks of frozen and chilled meats, total
	tonnes					
Atlantic provinces	x	413	0	0	x	621
Quebec	20,147	2,600	x	x	2,788	26,718
Ontario	4,321	5,668	x	x	1,751	12,171
Manitoba	x	x	x	x	20	x
Saskatchewan	x	x	0	0	0	x
Alberta	7,986	6,379	8	38	1,958	16,369
British Columbia	842	1,640	42	x	x	4,587

**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.

## Acknowledgement

This publication was prepared under the direction of:

**Bill Parsons**  
**Barbara McLaughlin**

Chief of Livestock section, Ottawa  
 Truro, Nova Scotia

Release date: October 2011

### Symbols

The following standard symbols are used in Statistics Canada publications:

.	not available for any reference period
..	not available for a specific reference period
...	not applicable
0	true zero or a value rounded to zero
0 <sup>s</sup>	value rounded to 0 (zero) where there is a meaningful distinction between true zero and the value that was rounded
P	preliminary
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
*	significantly different from reference category ( $p < 0.05$ )

### To access this product

This product, Catalogue no. 23-009-X, is available free in electronic format. To obtain a single issue, visit our website at [www.statcan.gc.ca](http://www.statcan.gc.ca) and browse by "Key resource" > "Publications."

Frequency: Quarterly / ISSN 1206-5420

For information on the wide range of data available from Statistics Canada, please call our national inquiries line at 1-800-263-1136.

Cette publication est également disponible en français.

Published by authority of the Minister responsible for Statistics Canada. © Minister of Industry, 2011. All rights reserved. The content of this electronic publication may be reproduced, in whole or in part, and by any means, without further permission from Statistics Canada, subject to the following conditions: that it be done solely for the purposes of private study, research, criticism, review or newspaper summary, and/or for non-commercial purposes; and that Statistics Canada be fully acknowledged as follows: Source (or "Adapted from", if appropriate): Statistics Canada, year of publication, name of product, catalogue number, volume and issue numbers, reference period and page(s). Otherwise, no part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system or transmitted in any form, by any means—electronic, mechanical or photocopy—or for any purposes without prior written permission of Licensing Services, Information Management Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0T6.

### Standards of service to the public

Statistics Canada is committed to serving its clients in a prompt, reliable and courteous manner. To this end, Statistics Canada has developed *standards of service* that its employees observe.

To obtain a copy of these service standards, please contact Statistics Canada toll-free at 1-800-263-1136. The service standards are also published on [www.statcan.gc.ca](http://www.statcan.gc.ca) under "About us" > "The agency" > "Providing services to Canadians."

### Note of appreciation

Canada owes the success of its statistical system to a long-standing partnership between Statistics Canada, the citizens of Canada, its businesses, governments and other institutions. Accurate and timely statistical information could not be produced without their continued cooperation and goodwill.