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## STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT PRODUCTS

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This report contains data on the stocks of frozen meat held by meat packers and their sales' outlets, wholesale butchers, abattoirs and cold storage warehouses. Inventories are taken only at the wholesale level. Stocks of fresh and cured meats previously reported in this publication are no longer collected and therefore not available. Canned meat stocks are collected by the Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division of the Bureau of Statistics.

Inventory statement forms are supplied to each firm with instructions to complete and mail in time to reach the Bureau no later than the sixth of the month. Firms are required to report all stocks in their own establishment or in specially rented rooms elsewhere as at the opening of the first business day of the month. By a special arrangement, made with the industry through the Meat Packers Council of Canada, the larger meat packers report total meat inventories regardless of where held and are also permitted to submit figures of their period-end inventory providing such inventory has been taken within three days prior to the month end. Cold Storage warehouses are instructed not to report stocks held for these large packers.

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## STOCKS OF FROZEN MEAT PRODUCTS IN COLD STORAGE

Held by Packers, Abattoirs, Wholesale Butchers and Cold Storage Warehouses

March 1, 1971

### Total Meat

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of March 1971 amounted to 88,501,000 lb. as compared with 90,156,000 lb. last month and 77,482,000 lb. a year ago. The "out-of-storage" movement for February 1971 was 1.7 million pounds as compared with a similar movement of 4.0 million pounds last year.

### Pork

Stocks of frozen pork products at March 1, 1971 amounted to 35,294,000 lb. as compared with 30,214,000 lb. last month and 22,049,000 lb. at March 1, 1970. The "in-to-storage" movement for February 1971 was 5.1 million pounds.

### Beef

Domestic and imported stocks of frozen beef products in cold storage were 40,989,000 lb. as compared with 44,331,000 lb. last month and 43,237,000 lb. at March 1, 1970 and showed an "out-of-storage" movement of 3.3 million pounds for February 1971. Imported stocks amounted to 18,541,000 lb. at March 1, 1971, as compared with 14,158,000 lb. a year ago.

### Veal

Stocks of frozen veal products, including imports, amounted to 4,640,000 lb. at March 1, 1971 as compared with 5,407,000 lb. last month and 3,491,000 lb. a year ago. The "out-of-storage" movement for February 1971 was 767 thousand pounds. Imported stocks at March 1, 1971, were 1,779,000 lb.

### Mutton and Lamb

Total stocks of frozen mutton and lamb products, including imported products, amounted to 7,578,000 lb. at March 1, 1971, as compared with 10,204,000 lb. last month and 9,705,000 lb. a year ago. The February 1971 "out-of-storage" movement was 2.6 million pounds as compared with a similar movement of 2.2 million pounds last year. Imported stocks of mutton and lamb amounted to 1,912,000 lb. and 4,456,000 lb., respectively.

### Fancy Meats

Stocks of frozen fancy meats at March 1, 1971, amounted to 8,173,000 lb. as compared with 8,070,000 lb. last month and 5,735,000 lb. last year. The "in-to-storage" movement for February 1971 was 103 thousand pounds.



TABLE 1. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Canada

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	5,164	4,237	3,212
18/25 .....	1,681	1,772	1,937
25/up .....	374	274	280
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	2,036	1,757	1,192
Loins .....	997	728	1,102
Bellies - 12/down .....	5,383	3,694	1,503
12/up .....	671	644	231
Shoulders .....	241	270	271
Butts .....	1,763	1,266	737
Picnics .....	1,287	1,031	747
Tenderloins .....	205	186	151
Spare ribs .....	993	812	700
Back ribs .....	504	578	274
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	2,209	1,877	1,141
below 80 % .....	1,213	1,188	951
skinless neck fat ..	826	699	315
Unclassified .....	6,656	6,000	5,343
Totals .....	32,203	27,013	20,087
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	6,304	6,865	8,508
Boneless .....	29,902	32,911	30,436
Totals .....	36,206	39,776	38,944
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	1,184	1,510	1,183
Boneless .....	3,200	3,624	1,889
Totals .....	4,384	5,134	3,072
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	7,535	10,163	9,644
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	3,091	3,201	1,962
Beef .....	4,783	4,555	3,293
Veal .....	256	273	419
Lamb .....	43	41	61
Totals .....	8,173	8,070	5,735
Total frozen meat .....	88,501	90,156	77,482

TABLE 2. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Maritimes

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	207	74	183
18/25 .....	72	78	77
25/up .....	24	26	34
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	13	16	17
Loins .....	89	100	192
Bellies - 12/down .....	318	( 246	65
12/up .....		( 48	-
Shoulders .....	67	57	50
Butts .....	45	66	50
Picnics .....	157	99	138
Tenderloins .....	4	4	1
Spare ribs .....	71	60	22
Back ribs .....	14	20	1
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	46	28	19
below 80 % .....	31	48	11
skinless neck fat ..	57	52	7
Unclassified .....	146	123	100
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1,361</b>	<b>1,145</b>	<b>967</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	317	213	429
Boneless .....	1,219	1,057	1,211
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1,536</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>1,640</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	97	103	46
Boneless .....	37	37	59
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>105</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	702	792	966
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	155	155	88
Beef .....	326	370	83
Veal .....	9	9	29
Lamb .....	1	1	1
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>201</b>
<b>Total frozen meat .....</b>	<b>4,224</b>	<b>3,882</b>	<b>3,879</b>

TABLE 3. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Quebec

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	2,559	2,419	1,410
18/25 .....	480	343	445
25/up .....	56	50	73
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	313	304	130
Loins .....	348	344	383
Bellies - 12/down .....	1,113	733	144
12/up .....	73	67	20
Shoulders .....	88	100	169
Butts .....	378	337	143
Picnics .....	274	224	156
Tenderloins .....	17	16	10
Spare ribs .....	238	147	98
Back ribs .....	135	180	92
Trimming - 80 % and up lean ..	1,153	1,182	507
below 80 % .....	488	565	314
skinless neck fat ..	399	389	47
Unclassified .....	2,341	1,911	1,456
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>10,453</b>	<b>9,311</b>	<b>5,597</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	3,395	3,982	4,169
Boneless .....	12,678	14,509	10,035
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>16,073</b>	<b>18,491</b>	<b>14,204</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	815	970	818
Boneless .....	2,038	2,397	1,188
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>2,853</b>	<b>3,367</b>	<b>2,006</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	3,491	4,374	3,772
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	512	574	228
Beef .....	709	842	419
Veal .....	171	206	321
Lamb .....	16	17	34
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>1,639</b>	<b>1,002</b>
<b>Total frozen meat .....</b>	<b>34,278</b>	<b>37,182</b>	<b>26,581</b>



TABLE 4. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Ontario

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	380	308	782
18/25 .....	127	191	317
25/up .....	29	28	30
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	530	302	339
Loins .....	151	49	49
Bellies - 12/down .....	949	455 )	406
12/up .....	167	119 )	
Shoulders .....	17	11	4
Butts .....	279	195	171
Picnics .....	95	63	130
Tenderloins .....	106	110	69
Spare ribs .....	358	261	396
Back ribs .....	122	104	52
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	276	210	133
below 80 % .....	212	284	456
skinless neck fat .	178	83	87
Unclassified .....	1,537	1,860	1,562
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>5,513</b>	<b>4,633</b>	<b>4,983</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	700	1,194	1,143
Boneless .....	10,652	11,644	9,457
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>11,352</b>	<b>12,838</b>	<b>10,600</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	108	266	123
Boneless .....	913	982	413
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1,021</b>	<b>1,248</b>	<b>536</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	2,475	4,018	3,594
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	766	909	487
Beef .....	1,603	895	709
Veal .....	40	23	50
Lamb .....	9	5	2
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>2,418</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>1,248</b>
<b>Total frozen meat .....</b>	<b>22,779</b>	<b>24,569</b>	<b>20,961</b>

TABLE 5. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Manitoba

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	861	769	220
18/25 .....	444	562	364
25/up .....	174	120	71
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	485	416	367
Loins .....	141	83	115
Bellies - 12/down .....	1,763	1,533	215
12/up .....	338	326	85
Shoulders .....	44	58	21
Butts .....	430	290	100
Picnics .....	398	260	103
Tenderloins .....	26	18	18
Spare ribs .....	113	100	59
Back ribs .....	100	78	40
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	207	202	82
below 80 % .....	144	114	86
skinless neck fat ..	116	81	50
Unclassified .....	1,098	1,413	1,371
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>6,882</b>	<b>6,423</b>	<b>3,357</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	236	200	661
Boneless .....	2,564	2,353	3,180
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>2,553</b>	<b>3,841</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	95	97	51
Boneless .....	85	87	103
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>154</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	178	206	248
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	517	552	335
Beef .....	463	577	483
Veal .....	17	16	9
Lamb .....	-	3	3
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>830</b>
<b>Total frozen meat .....</b>	<b>11,037</b>	<b>10,514</b>	<b>8,440</b>



TABLE 6. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Saskatchewan

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971	Feb. 1, 1971	Mar. 1, 1970
	preliminary	revised	
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	361	247	148
18/25 .....	90	128	( 131
25/up .....			( 13
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	400	517	195
Loins .....	20	40	37
Bellies - 12/down .....	634	275	327
12/up .....	19	33	71
Shoulders .....	22	43	17
Butts .....	454	216	173
Picnics .....	93	139	104
Tenderloins .....	22	20	12
Spare ribs .....	55	126	46
Back ribs .....	57	102	32
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	264	81	108
below 80 % .....	78	29	53
skinless neck fat ..	(1)	(1)	45
Unclassified .....	836	276	332
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>3,405</b>	<b>2,272</b>	<b>1,844</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	570	468	707
Boneless .....	420	540	1,477
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>1,008</b>	<b>2,184</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	10	8	26
Boneless .....	63	59	40
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	73	43	341
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	459	455	312
Beef .....	397	417	341
Veal .....	1	1	1
Lamb .....	-	-	2
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>857</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>656</b>
<b>Total frozen meat .....</b>	<b>5,398</b>	<b>4,263</b>	<b>5,091</b>

(1) Less than three firms reporting this item. The figures therefore cannot be shown separately but are included in unclassified.

TABLE 7. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, Alberta

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	475	218	278
18/25 .....	351	368	521
25/up .....	53	31	22
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	165	144	97
Loins .....	66	26	250
Bellies - 12/down .....	405	308	128
12/up .....	18	18	29
Shoulders .....	3	(1)	7
Butts .....	90	106	48
Picnics .....	125	85	40
Tenderloins .....	21	11	7
Spare ribs .....	80	51	20
Back ribs .....	50	69	25
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	148	123	135
below 80 % .....	82	16	16
skinless neck fat .	(1)	(1)	9
Unclassified .....	329	199	193
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>2,461</b>	<b>1,773</b>	<b>1,825</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	972	715	1,273
Boneless .....	875	976	1,922
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1,847</b>	<b>1,691</b>	<b>3,195</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	24	21	78
Boneless .....	17	16	14
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	311	375	397
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	628	523	475
Beef .....	1,033	1,307	1,032
Veal .....	17	17	7
Lamb .....	16	15	11
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1,694</b>	<b>1,862</b>	<b>1,525</b>
<b>Total frozen meat .....</b>	<b>6,354</b>	<b>5,738</b>	<b>7,034</b>

(1) Less than three firms reporting this item. The figures therefore cannot be shown separately but are included in unclassified.

TABLE 8. Stocks of Frozen Meat in Cold Storage, British Columbia

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
<b>Pork:</b>			
Hams - 18/down .....	321	202	191
18/25 .....	155	( 121 )	119
25/up .....		( - )	
Backs - Boneless, skinless ....	130	58	47
Loins .....	182	86	76
Bellies - 12/down .....	257	177	( 239
12/up .....			( 5
Shoulders .....	-	-	3
Butts .....	87	56	52
Picnics .....	145	161	76
Tenderloins .....	9	7	34
Spare ribs .....	78	67	59
Back ribs .....	26	25	32
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	115	51	157
below 80 % .....	178	132	15
skinless neck fat .	65	42	70
Unclassified .....	380	271	329
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>2,128</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>1,504</b>
<b>Beef:</b>			
Bone in .....	114	93	126
Boneless .....	1,494	1,832	3,154
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>1,608</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>3,280</b>
<b>Veal:</b>			
Bone in .....	35	45	41
Boneless .....	47	46	72
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>82</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>113</b>
<b>Mutton and lamb:</b>			
Carcasses and cuts .....	305	355	326
<b>Fancy meats:</b>			
Pork .....	54	33	37
Beef .....	252	147	226
Veal .....	1	1	2
Lamb .....	1	-	8
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>308</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>273</b>
<b>Total frozen meat</b> .....	<b>4,431</b>	<b>4,008</b>	<b>5,496</b>





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TABLE 9. Stocks of Frozen Imported Meat (Included in Tables 1 to 8)

Kind and classification	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Beef - Bone-in .....	460	670	1,014
Boneless .....	18,081	20,897	13,144
Veal - Bone-in .....	186	347	132
Boneless .....	1,593	1,965	612
Mutton .....	1,912	2,644	5,222
Lamb .....	4,456	6,199	3,218
Totals .....	26,688	32,722	23,342

TABLE 10. Summary of Frozen Meat Stocks by Kind, Canada

Kind	Mar. 1, 1971 preliminary	Feb. 1, 1971 revised	Mar. 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork .....	35,294	30,214	22,049
Beef .....	40,989	44,331	42,237
Veal .....	4,640	5,407	3,491
Mutton and Lamb .....	7,578	10,204	9,705
Totals .....	88,501	90,156	77,482