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

May 1, 1971

Total Meat

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of May 1971 amounted to 99,561,000 lb. as compared with 93,307,000 lb. last month and 86,570,000 lb. a year ago. The "in-to-storage" movement for April 1971 was 6.3 million pounds as compared with a similar movement of 11.3 million pounds last year.

Pork

Stocks of frozen pork products at May 1, 1971 amounted to 53,993,000 lb. as compared with 44,690,000 lb. last month and 28,854,000 lb. at May 1, 1970. The "in-to-storage" movement for April 1971 was 9.3 million pounds.

Beef

Domestic and imported stocks of frozen beef products in cold storage were 34,774,000 lb. as compared with 37,250,000 lb. last month and 40,735,000 lb. at May 1, 1970 and showed an "out-of-storage" movement of 2.5 million pounds for April 1971. Imported stocks amounted to 12,449,000 lb. at May 1, 1971, as compared with 12,882,000 lb. a year ago.

Veal

Stocks of frozen veal products, including imports, amounted to 4,394,000 lb. at May 1, 1971 as compared with 4,730,000 lb. last month and 3,675,000 lb. a year ago. The "out-of-storage" movement for April 1971 was 336 thousand pounds. Imported stocks at May 1, 1971, were 1,403,000 lb.

Mutton and Lamb

Total stocks of frozen mutton and lamb products, including imported products, amounted to 6,400,000 lb. at May 1, 1971, as compared with 6,637,000 lb. last month and 13,306,000 lb. a year ago. The April 1971 "out-of-storage" movement was 237 thousand pounds as compared with an opposite movement of 2.6 million pounds last year. Imported stocks of mutton and lamb amounted to 1,330,000 lb. and 4,126,000 lb., respectively.

Fancy Meats

Stocks of frozen fancy meats at May 1, 1971, amounted to 9,825,000 lb. as compared with 9,431,000 lb. last month and 6,909,000 lb. last year. The "in-to-storage" movement for April 1971 was 394 thousand pounds.

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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	7,791	5,427	3,581
18/25	2,675	1,795	2,339
25/up	455	378	294
Backs - Boneless, skinless	3,011	2,727	1,591
Loins	1,536	1,520	632
Bellies - 12/down	8,905	6,494	3,138
12/up	653	919	469
Shoulders	609	577	373
Butts	3,247	2,261	1,656
Picnics	2,582	1,848	1,122
Tenderloins	158	130	173
Spare ribs	1,603	1,388	881
Back ribs	584	508	356
Trimblings - 80 % and up lean ..	4,497	4,063	1,363
below 80 %	2,101	1,800	1,489
skinless neck fat .	1,032	1,357	456
Unclassified	8,421	7,477	6,606
Totals	49,860	40,669	26,519
Beef:			
Bone in	6,195	6,176	8,554
Boneless	23,138	25,936	28,134
Totals	29,333	32,112	36,688
Veal:			
Bone in	1,083	1,197	1,323
Boneless	3,088	3,296	1,929
Totals	4,171	4,493	3,252
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	6,372	6,602	13,202
Fancy meats:			
Pork	4,133	4,021	2,335
Beef	5,441	5,138	4,047
Veal	223	237	423
Lamb	28	35	104
Totals	9,825	9,431	6,909
Total frozen meat	99,561	93,307	86,570

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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	187	199	252
18/25	82	79	95
25/up	20	22	20
Backs - Boneless, skinless	21	13	4
Loins	180	121	187
Bellies - 12/down	361	398	(164
12/up			(47
Shoulders	82	127	96
Butts	98	91	40
Picnics	91	122	187
Tenderloins	1	1	2
Spare ribs	90	79	59
Back ribs	25	13	4
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	95	25	22
below 80 %	29	34	24
skinless neck fat .	26	62	16
Unclassified	105	172	167
Totals	1,493	1,558	1,386
Beef:			
Bone in	200	198	468
Boneless	1,091	814	1,461
Totals	1,291	1,012	1,929
Veal:			
Bone in	45	52	37
Boneless	49	42	24
Totals	94	94	61
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	756	566	1,420
Fancy meats:			
Pork	188	315	109
Beef	296	225	165
Veal	7	14	38
Lamb	1	1	—
Totals	492	555	312
Total frozen meat	4,126	3,785	5,108

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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	3,499	3,056	1,161
18/25	671	532	490
25/up	79	44	61
Backs - Boneless, skinless	289	343	177
Loins	584	476	205
Bellies - 12/down	2,179	1,638	429
12/up	146	127	64
Shoulders	274	255	185
Butts	777	518	343
Picnics	383	381	242
Tenderloins	16	18	18
Spare ribs	442	336	70
Back ribs	157	166	53
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	2,080	1,634	582
below 80 %	480	539	471
skinless neck fat .	501	729	106
Unclassified	3,349	2,571	1,320
Totals	15,906	13,363	5,977
Beef:			
Bone in	3,552	3,440	4,009
Boneless	9,352	10,740	9,246
Totals	12,904	14,180	13,255
Veal:			
Bone in	804	830	1,035
Boneless	2,019	2,082	1,209
Totals	2,823	2,912	2,244
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	2,804	3,036	5,130
Fancy meats:			
Pork	594	595	374
Beef	738	682	934
Veal	153	147	335
Lamb	13	16	50
Totals	1,498	1,440	1,693
Total frozen meat	35,935	34,931	28,299

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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	842	583	824
18/25	144	123	469
25/up	69	78	15
Backs - Boneless, skinless	832	607	526
Loins	283	190	81
Bellies - 12/down	1,736	727	1,027
12/up	78	124	131
Shoulders	128	97	34
Butts	598	301	214
Picnics	259	209	132
Tenderloins	57	42	55
Spare ribs	531	519	429
Back ribs	122	103	110
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	621	576	321
below 80 %	830	648	635
skinless neck fat .	169	157	63
Unclassified	1,747	1,918	2,262
Totals	9,046	7,002	7,328
Beef:			
Bone in	916	855	1,396
Boneless	8,288	9,564	8,585
Totals	9,204	10,419	9,981
Veal:			
Bone in	108	166	135
Boneless	769	931	450
Totals	877	1,097	585
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	1,870	2,084	4,508
Fancy meats:			
Pork	913	828	658
Beef	1,667	1,193	755
Veal	26	39	20
Lamb	7	7	37
Totals	2,613	2,067	1,470
Total frozen meat	23,610	22,669	23,872

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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
thousand pounds			
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	1,727	864	275
18/25	889	521	536
25/up	177	169	111
Backs - Boneless, skinless	725	587	306
Loins	196	453	45
Bellies - 12/down	3,062	2,276	512
12/up	340	561	104
Shoulders	118	94	37
Butts	693	535	313
Picnics	1,000	733	151
Tenderloins	42	29	37
Spare ribs	214	145	78
Back ribs	114	88	76
Trimblings - 80 % and up lean ..	244	329	188
below 80 %	337	181	158
skinless neck fat ..	89	108	107
Unclassified	1,648	1,368	1,960
Totals	11,615	9,041	4,994
Beef:			
Bone in	236	249	480
Boneless	1,750	2,386	3,309
Totals	1,986	2,635	3,789
Veal:			
Bone in	66	79	40
Boneless	95	104	95
Totals	161	183	135
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	274	258	506
Fancy meats:			
Pork	812	821	251
Beef	731	737	401
Veal	16	15	-
Lamb	-	2	3
Totals	1,559	1,575	655
Total frozen meat	15,595	13,692	10,079

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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	436	83	451
18/25	137	73	164
25/up			
Backs - Boneless, skinless	597	742	270
Loins	29	17	29
Bellies - 12/down	515	572	339
12/up	34	31	65
Shoulders	5	2	17
Butts	587	604	451
Picnics	370	75	189
Tenderloins	14	15	24
Spare ribs	83	81	39
Back ribs	86	77	36
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	418	346	107
below 80 %	156	118	87
skinless neck fat ..	(1)	(1)	(1)
Unclassified	489	450	377
Totals	3,956	3,286	2,645
Beef:			
Bone in	626	446	695
Boneless	510	362	1,342
Totals	1,136	808	2,037
Veal:			
Bone in	4	4	4
Boneless	76	66	60
Totals	80	70	64
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	86	85	275
Fancy meats:			
Pork	641	597	305
Beef	506	527	393
Veal	1	8	3
Lamb	-	-	-
Totals	1,148	1,132	701
Total frozen meat	6,406	5,381	5,722

(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	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
thousand pounds			
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	615	480	347
18/25	621	416	466
25/up	83	49	61
Backs - Boneless, skinless	435	371	234
Loins	89	79	35
Bellies - 12/down	877	675	283
12/up	35	58	44
Shoulders	(1)	(1)	(1)
Butts	362	152	188
Picnics	203	210	65
Tenderloins	19	14	10
Spare ribs	167	165	124
Back ribs	55	42	51
Trimming - 80 % and up lean ..	998	1,091	56
below 80 %	168	141	30
skinless neck fat ..	(1)	(1)	34
Unclassified	721	780	199
Totals	5,448	4,723	2,227
Beef:			
Bone in	556	827	1,346
Boneless	892	872	1,479
Totals	1,448	1,699	2,825
Veal:			
Bone in	27	25	58
Boneless	16	25	27
Totals	43	50	85
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	314	304	455
Fancy meats:			
Pork	875	776	564
Beef	1,276	1,295	1,130
Veal	12	13	26
Lamb	7	9	14
Totals	2,170	2,093	1,734
Total frozen meat	9,423	8,869	7,326

(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	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
thousand pounds			
Pork:			
Hams - 18/down	485	162	271
18/25	158	67	145
25/up	—	—	—
Backs - Boneless, skinless	112	64	74
Loins	175	184	50
Bellies - 12/down	195	226	398
12/up			
Shoulders	—	—	1
Butts	132	60	107
Picnics	276	118	156
Tenderloins	9	11	27
Spare ribs	76	63	82
Back ribs	25	19	26
Trimnings - 80 % and up lean ..	41	62	87
below 80 %	101	139	84
skinless neck fat .	111	138	87
Unclassified	500	383	367
Totals	2,396	1,696	1,962
Beef:			
Bone in	109	161	160
Boneless	1,255	1,198	2,712
Totals	1,364	1,359	2,872
Veal:			
Bone in	29	41	14
Boneless	64	46	64
Totals	93	87	78
Mutton and lamb:			
Carcasses and cuts	268	269	908
Fancy meats:			
Pork	110	89	74
Beef	227	479	269
Veal	8	1	1
Lamb	—	—	—
Totals	345	569	344
Total frozen meat	4,466	3,980	6,164



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

Kind and classification	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Beef - Bone-in	514	457	1,120
Boneless	11,935	14,269	11,762
Veal - Bone-in	137	215	84
Boneless	1,266	1,329	498
Mutton	1,330	1,384	6,078
Lamb	4,126	4,199	5,786
Totals	19,308	21,853	25,328

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

Kind	May 1, 1971 preliminary	April 1, 1971 revised	May 1, 1970
	thousand pounds		
Pork	53,993	44,690	28,854
Beef	34,774	37,250	40,735
Veal	4,394	4,730	3,675
Mutton and Lamb	6,400	6,637	13,306
Totals	99,561	93,307	86,570