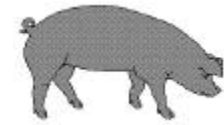




Hog Statistics at a Glance CANADA



For the Week Ending February 28, 2004

Federal Slaughter	weekly kill # head	CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE		
		2004	2003	% chg
		'000 head		
West	167,308	1,491.0	1,545.0	-3.5
Ontario	81,031	740.0	734.0	0.8
Quebec	167,631	1,437.0	1,430.0	0.5
Atlantic	10,743	90.0	90.0	0.0
CANADA	426,713	3,758.0	3,799.0	-1.1
Pork Production (t)	37,337	328,825	331,273	-0.7
Estimated Sow Slaughter	2,619	22,938	28,923	-20.7

Weekly Prices \$/kg (index 100)		2004	2003	% chg
		Ontario 102.5%	1.54	1.35
Quebec	1.64	1.38	18.8	
Alberta	1.41	1.23	14.6	
Manitoba*	1.50	1.41	6.4	
British Columbia	1.60	1.41	13.5	
Saskatchewan	1.37	1.20	14.2	
Nova Scotia	1.55	1.44	7.6	
Prince Ed. Is.	1.51	1.39	8.6	
New Brunswick	1.50	1.40	7.1	

*estimate

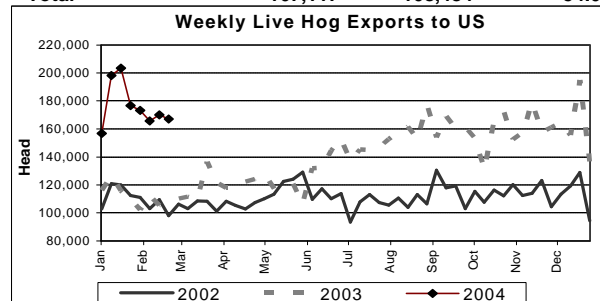
PORK EXPORTS YTD for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2003

FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED PORK	2003	2002	% chg
United States	450,925	450,925	-
Japan	191,748	165,697	15.7
Australia	36,041	24,320	48.2
Russia	24,694	39,606	(37.7)
Mexico	55,808	38,182	46.2
South Korea	29,942	34,943	(14.3)
China	25,897	19,106	35.5
Taiwan	21,371	13,701	56.0
Cuba	7,292	10,582	(31.1)
New Zealand	7,434	7,867	(5.5)
Other	72,697	22,450	223.8
Total	923,849	827,379	11.7

Source: STATISTICS CANADA

LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S.

HOGS (head)	YTD 04	YTD 03	% chg
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	506,640	262,703	92.9
Feeder Pigs	904,699	634,039	42.7
Total	1,411,339	896,742	57.4
Week Ending 04-02-21			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	56,907	30,712	85.3
Feeder Pigs	110,210	77,772	41.7
Total	167,117	108,484	54.0



Source: USDA-APHIS

IMPORTS YTD for the week ending February 21, 2004

(Metric Tonnes) preliminary	2004	2003	% chg
FRESH & FROZEN PORK			
United States	11,310	7,735	46.2
Denmark	73	221	-67.0
Other	1	291	-99.7

PROCESSED & OTHER PORK

	2004	2003	% chg
United States	1,678	1,272	31.9
Denmark	-	-	-
Other	4	20	-97.5
TOTAL IMPORTS	13,066	9,539	37.0

Frozen Pork from the European Union:

The TRQ level has established for frozen meat of pork originating from EU countries, for the twelve month period August 1 to July 31, 2004. Imports in excess of 2,970,000 kg in the twelve month period are subject to a surtax in an amount equal to the value for the duty (100%) determined in accordance with the Customs Act. Effective as of October 3, 2003 the frozen pork TRQ from the EU imported under tariff item No. 0203.29.00 of the Customs Tariff has filled and therefore all frozen pork imports from the EU, until July 31, 2004, will be subject to the European Union Surtax Order.

	Permits issued as of February 19, 2004		
	2003/2004	2002/2003	% chg
Utilization (kg)	2,969,000	2,962,582	0.2
Balance (kg)	1,000	7,418	-86.6
% Utilization	100.0%	99.8%	0.2

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Canadian Hog Slaughter by Province of Origin

Total Slaughter Year to Date February 28, 2004

Week ending February 28,

	2004	2003	% chg	2004	2003
British Columbia	43,736	49,217	-11.1	4,517	7,734
Alberta	609,913	615,706	-0.9	69,306	70,954
Saskatchewan	234,932	254,083	-7.5	26,163	26,579
Manitoba	683,721	707,070	-3.3	75,484	79,357
Ontario	917,498	956,454	-4.1	102,608	108,624
Quebec	1,352,710	1,313,081	3.0	153,703	149,389
New Brunswick	27,665	32,405	-14.6	3,622	2,927
Nova Scotia	34,815	35,720	-2.5	3,851	3,766
Prince Edward Island	41,029	38,241	7.3	4,622	4,281
CANADA	3,946,019	4,001,977	-1.4	443,876	453,611

UNITED STATES

Year To Date for the Week Ending February 28, 2004

Supply Summary

	2004	2003	% chg
Slaughter ('000 head)	16,451	16,292	1.0
Slaughter for the week	1,960	1,925	1.8
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	200	199	0.5
Pork Produced (mil lbs)	3,296	3,240	1.8

Source: USDA-APHIS

Weekly US Prices (\$/cwt)

	2004	2003
South St. Joseph	40.25	32.75
Sioux Falls	43.00	33.55
Oklahoma City	39.33	31.00
National Cost	61.49	47.69

(51-54% Lean Yield Basis)

LEADING MARKETS FOR U.S. PORK PLUS PORK VARIETY MEAT EXPORTS (January - December)

COUNTRY	Year to date			COUNTRY	Year to date	
	Quantity (Metric Tons)				Quantity (Metric Tons)	
	1/03 - 12/03	1/02 - 12/02	% Chg		1/03 - 12/03	1/02 - 12/02
Japan	269,621	271,071	-0.5	Taiwan	25,964	21,529
Mexico	218,927	217,846	0.5	Central & South America	17,220	16,151
Canada	97,883	79,440	23.2	Korea	28,852	23,776
China	28,129	22,624	24.3	Caribbean	5,999	6,830
Hong Kong	28,538	24,395	17.0	Eastern Europe	3,739	3,657
Russia	7,433	15,892	-53.2			
European Union	15,257	9,832	55.2	World Total	757,905	726,357

Source: FAS, USDA