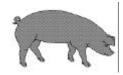


## Hog Statistics at a Glance CANADA



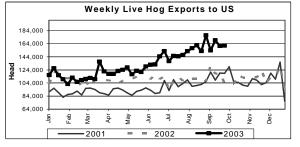
## For the Week Ending October 4, 2003

| Federal Slaughter       |             | CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE |           |       |  |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------|--|
|                         | weekly kill | 2003                      | 2002      | % chg |  |
|                         | # head      | '000 head                 |           |       |  |
| West                    | 169,227     | 6,442.0                   | 6,184.0   | 4.2   |  |
| Ontario                 | 80,655      | 3,235.0                   | 3,007.0   | 7.6   |  |
| Quebec                  | 172,972     | 6,156.0                   | 6,132.0   | 0.4   |  |
| Atlantic                | 9,922       | 390.0                     | 402.0     | -3.0  |  |
| CANADA                  | 432,776     | 16,223.0                  | 15,725.0  | 3.2   |  |
|                         |             |                           |           |       |  |
| Pork Production (t)     | 37,868      | 1,419,513                 | 1,371,220 | 3.5   |  |
| Estimated Sow Slaughter | 2,952       | 121,286                   | 126,843   | -4.4  |  |

| Weekly Prices    | \$/kg (index 100) |      |       |
|------------------|-------------------|------|-------|
|                  | 2003              | 2002 | % chg |
| Ontario 102.5%   | 1.45              | 1.26 | 15.1  |
| Quebec           | 1.42              | 1.23 | 15.4  |
| Alberta          | 1.32              | 1.20 | 10.0  |
| Manitoba*        | 1.47              | 1.25 | 17.6  |
| British Columbia | 1.57              | 1.32 | 18.9  |
| Saskatchewan     | 1.24              | 1.17 | 6.0   |
| Nova Scotia      | 1.54              | 1.20 | 28.3  |
| Prince Ed. Is.   | 1.47              | 1.22 | 20.5  |
| New Brunswick    | 1.49              | 1.15 | 29.6  |

| PORK EXPORTS      | YTD for the period of January 1 to July 31, 2003 |         |        |  |  |
|-------------------|--|---------|--------|--|--|
| (Metric Tonnes)   |  |         |        |  |  |
| FRESH, FROZEN AND |  |         |        |  |  |
| PROCESSED PORK    | 2003   | 2002    | % chg  |  |  |
| United States     | 259,258  | 224,863 | 15.3   |  |  |
| Japan             | 119,656  | 97,108  | 23.2   |  |  |
| Australia         | 22,459   | 14,052  | 59.8   |  |  |
| Russia            | 18,093   | 21,306  | (15.1) |  |  |
| Mexico            | 31,075   | 21,743  | 42.9   |  |  |
| South Korea       | 19,493   | 19,130  | 1.9    |  |  |
| China             | 15,162   | 11,173  | 35.7   |  |  |
| Taiwan            | 9,320  | 3,472   | 168.4  |  |  |
| Cuba              | 4,496  | 6,122   | (26.6) |  |  |
| New Zealand       | 4,138  | 4,442   | (6.8)  |  |  |
| Other             | 39,004   | 31,894  | 22.3   |  |  |
| Total             | 542,154  | 455,305 | 19.1   |  |  |

| LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S. |           |           |       |  |  |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|--|--|
|                          | YTD 03    | YTD 02    | % chg |  |  |
| HOGS (head)              |           |           |       |  |  |
| Barrows/Gilts/Sows       | 1,601,216 | 1,417,182 | 13.0  |  |  |
| Feeder Pigs              | 3,568,549 | 2,867,616 | 24.4  |  |  |
| Total                    | 5,169,765 | 4,284,798 | 20.7  |  |  |
| Week Ending 03-09-27     |           |           |       |  |  |
| Barrows/Gilts/Sows       | 59,395    | 30,671    | 93.7  |  |  |
| Feeder Pigs              | 101,917   | 72,527    | 40.5  |  |  |
| Total                    | 161,312   | 103,198   | 56.3  |  |  |
|                          |           |           |       |  |  |



Source: STATISTICS CANADA

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| IMPORTS                     | YTD for the we | ek ending Sept | tember 27, 2003 | PROCESSED & OTHER F | PORK   |        |       |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| (Metric Tonnes) preliminary | 2003           | 2002           | % chg           |                     | 2003   | 2002   | % chg |
| FRESH & FROZEN PORK         |                |                |                 | United States       | 7,880  | 8,072  | -2.4  |
| United States               | 41,565         | 51,355         | -19.1           | Denmark             | 6      | -      |       |
| Denmark                     | 1,634          | 625            | 161.4           | Other               | 116    | 165    | -29.7 |
| Other                       | 893            | 112            | 697.3           | TOTAL IMPORTS       | 52,094 | 60,329 | -13.7 |

## 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. In 2001/02 the Tariff Rate Quota was reached on October 2, 2002. Effective as of February 19, 2003 the Tariff Rate Quota has filled, therefore, all imports to July 31, 2003 will be subject to the EU Surtax Order.

|                  | Permits issued as of October 2, 2003 |           |       |  |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------|--|
|                  | 2003/2004                            | 2002/2001 | % chg |  |
| Utilization (kg) | 2,964,861                            | n/a       |       |  |
| Balance (kg)     | 5,139                                | n/a       |       |  |
| % Utilization    | 99.8%                                | n/a       |       |  |

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