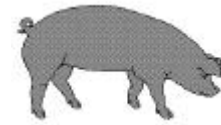




Hog Statistics at a Glance CANADA



For the Week Ending October 11, 2003

Federal Slaughter	weekly kill # head	CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE		
		2003 '000 head	2002	% chg
West	170,998	6,613.0	6,361.0	4.0
Ontario	85,705	3,321.0	3,089.0	7.5
Quebec	169,128	6,325.0	6,297.0	0.4
Atlantic	10,117	400.0	412.0	-2.9
CANADA	435,948	16,659.0	16,159.0	3.1
Pork Production (t)	38,145	1,457,663	1,409,065	3.4
Estimated Sow Slaughter	3,073	124,359	130,004	-4.3

Weekly Prices \$/kg (index 100)		2003	2002	% chg
Ontario 102.5%		1.36	1.33	2.3
Quebec		1.32	1.29	2.3
Alberta		1.26	1.27	-0.8
Manitoba*		1.38	1.32	4.5
British Columbia		1.43	1.38	3.6
Saskatchewan		1.17	1.25	-6.4
Nova Scotia		1.51	1.27	18.9
Prince Ed. Is.		1.37	1.28	7.0
New Brunswick		1.47	1.22	20.5

*estimate

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

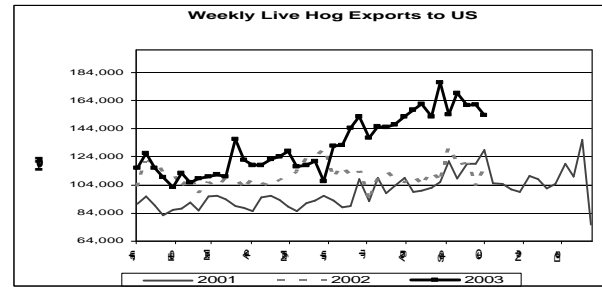
(Metric Tonnes)

FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED PORK	2003	2002	% chg
United States	296,206	261,791	13.1
Japan	133,248	108,952	22.3
Australia	24,108	16,330	47.6
Russia	19,039	23,763	(19.9)
Mexico	35,976	24,258	48.3
South Korea	21,127	22,017	(4.0)
China	17,550	12,800	37.1
Taiwan	12,212	5,751	112.3
Cuba	4,926	6,680	(26.3)
New Zealand	4,781	4,684	2.1
Other	44,103	36,112	22.1
Total	613,276	523,138	17.2

Source: STATISTICS CANADA

LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S.

	YTD 03	YTD 02	% chg
HOGS (head)			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	1,655,310	1,444,206	14.6
Feeder Pigs	3,667,797	2,956,088	24.1
Total	5,323,107	4,400,294	21.0
Week Ending 03-10-04			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	54,094	27,024	100.2
Feeder Pigs	99,248	88,472	12.2
Total	153,342	115,496	32.8



Source: USDA-APHIS

IMPORTS YTD for the week ending October 4, 2003

(Metric Tonnes) preliminary

FRESH & FROZEN PORK	2003	2002	% chg
United States	42,672	52,475	-18.7
Denmark	1,662	625	165.9
Other	942	112	741.1

PROCESSED & OTHER PORK	2003	2002	% chg
United States	8,209	8,324	-1.4
Denmark	6	-	-
Other	116	180	-35.6
TOTAL IMPORTS	53,607	61,716	-13.1

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 October 2, 2003		
	2003/2004	2002/2003	% chg
Utilization (kg)	2,964,861	n/a	
Balance (kg)	5,139	n/a	
% Utilization	99.8%	n/a	

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Canadian Hog Slaughter by Province of Origin

Total Slaughter Year to Date October 11, 2003

Week ending October 11, 2003

	2003	2002	% chg	2003	2002
British Columbia	199,780	195,159	2.4	5,037	4,623
Alberta	2,774,053	2,643,174	5.0	68,942	69,168
Saskatchewan	1,051,401	1,113,690	-5.6	27,571	26,423
Manitoba	2,950,098	2,787,942	5.8	79,492	78,607
Ontario	4,272,141	4,110,026	3.9	110,972	106,144
Quebec	5,813,629	5,719,389	1.6	156,002	160,538
New Brunswick	140,492	159,571	-12.0	3,473	3,451
Nova Scotia	162,470	179,181	-9.3	3,618	3,861
Prince Edward Island	169,150	169,854	-0.4	4,942	4,479
CANADA	17,533,214	17,077,986	2.7	460,049	457,294

UNITED STATES

Year To Date for the Week Ending October 11, 2003

Supply Summary				Weekly US Prices (\$/cwt)		
	2003	2002	% chg		2003	2002
Slaughter ('000 head)	75,673	76,167	-0.6	South St. Joseph	36.50	31.25
Slaughter for the week	2,081	2,020	3.0	Sioux Falls	38.05	32.65
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	196	196	0.0	Lancaster County	n/a	n/a
Pork Produced (mil lbs)	14,936	14,936	0.0	National Cost	54.15	44.47
Source: USDA-APHIS				(51-54% Lean Yield Basis)		

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

COUNTRY	Year to date Quantity (Tonnes)			COUNTRY	Year to date Quantity (Tonnes)	
	01/03 - 08/03	01/02 - 08/02	% chg		01/03 - 08/03	01/02 - 08/02
Japan	192,772	186,716	3.2	Taiwan	13,947	10,943
Mexico	119,202	138,296	-13.8	Cent. & South America	9,282	8,574
Canada	56,773	51,521	10.2	Korea	19,978	13,681
China	10,884	7,860	38.5	Caribbean	3,942	6,401
Hong Kong	14,003	16,311	-14.1	Eastern Europe	2,318	1,982
Russia	4,443	10,494	-57.7	Australia	1,701	2,057
European Union	8,127	5,042	61.2	World Total	460,481	464,035

Source: FSA, USDA

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