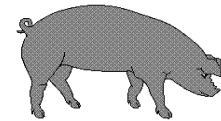




Hog Statistics at a Glance CANADA



For the Week Ending April 17, 2004

Federal Slaughter	weekly kill # head	CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE		
		2004	2003	% chg
		'000 head		
West	168,988	2,645.0	2,718.0	-2.7
Ontario	84,308	1,303.0	1,306.0	-0.2
Quebec	141,691	2,543.0	2,527.0	0.6
Atlantic	9,318	159.0	158.0	0.6
CANADA	404,305	6,650.0	6,709.0	-0.9
Pork Production (t)	35,377	581,875	585,025	-0.5
Estimated Sow Slaughter	2,468	40,225	51,128	-21.3

Weekly Prices \$/kg (index 100)		2004	2003	% chg
		Ontario 102.5%	1.58	1.32
Quebec	1.59	1.36	16.9	
Alberta	1.47	1.20	22.5	
Manitoba*	1.55	1.34	15.7	
British Columbia	1.58	1.38	14.5	
Saskatchewan	1.39	1.17	18.8	
Nova Scotia	1.59	1.39	14.4	
Prince Ed. Is.	1.54	1.34	14.9	
New Brunswick	1.54	1.35	14.1	

*estimate

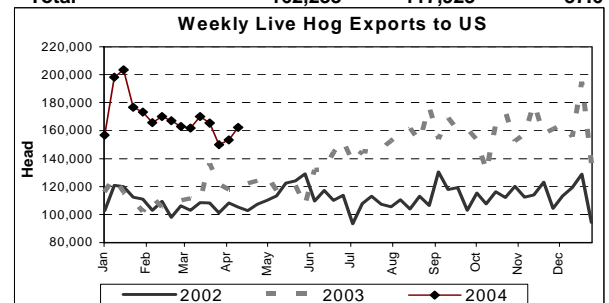
PORK EXPORTS YTD for the period of January to February

(Metric Tonnes)	2004	2003	% chg
FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED PORK			
United States	66,867	71,519	(6.5)
Japan	32,398	33,806	(4.2)
Australia	5,509	5,486	0.4
Russia	2,740	8,848	(69.0)
Mexico	8,595	7,116	20.8
South Korea	3,888	6,008	(35.3)
China	3,151	3,896	(19.1)
Taiwan	3,852	3,292	17.0
Cuba	1,590	1,351	17.7
New Zealand	405	1,060	(61.8)
Other	14,607	10,821	35.0
Total	143,602	153,203	(6.3)

Source: STATISTICS CANADA

LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S.

	YTD 04	YTD 03	% chg
HOGS (head)			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	891,150	486,201	83.3
Feeder Pigs	1,646,083	1,236,350	33.1
Total	2,537,233	1,722,551	47.3
Week Ending 04-04-10			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	57,383	27,859	106.0
Feeder Pigs	104,850	90,064	16.4
Total	162,233	117,923	37.6



IMPORTS YTD for the week ending April 10, 2004

(Metric Tonnes) preliminary	2004	2003	% chg
FRESH & FROZEN PORK			
United States	21,191	15,691	35.1
Denmark	160	1,078	-85.2
Other	1	525	-99.8

PROCESSED & OTHER PORK

	2004	2003	% chg
United States	4,083	3,412	19.7
Denmark	-	6	
Other	31	54	
TOTAL IMPORTS	25,466	20,766	22.6

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 April 10, 2004		
	2003/2004	2002/2003	% chg
Utilization (kg)	2,969,000	2,962,582	0.2
Balance (kg)	1,000	7,418	
% Utilization	100.0%	99.8%	0.2

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