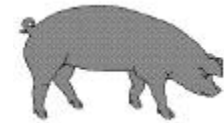




Hog Statistics at a Glance CANADA



For the Week Ending December 13, 2003

Federal Slaughter	weekly kill # head	CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE		
		2003 '000 head	2002 '000 head	% chg
West	173,506	8,104.0	7,890.0	2.7
Ontario	82,260	4,065.0	3,872.0	5.0
Quebec	175,218	7,865.0	7,837.0	0.4
Atlantic	9,471	487.0	506.0	-3.8
CANADA	440,455	20,521.0	20,105.0	2.1
Pork Production (t)	38,540	1,795,588	1,753,156	2.4
Estimated Sow Slaughter	3,330	151,503	159,843	-5.2

Weekly Prices \$/kg (index 100)		2003	2002	% chg
		Ontario 102.5%	1.22	1.26
Quebec	1.12	1.20	-6.7	
Alberta	1.12	1.17	-4.3	
Manitoba*	1.27	1.28	-0.8	
British Columbia	1.25	1.36	-8.1	
Saskatchewan	1.04	1.14	-8.8	
Nova Scotia	1.17	1.28	-8.6	
Prince Ed. Is.	1.14	1.29	-11.6	
New Brunswick	1.12	1.24	-9.7	

*estimate

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

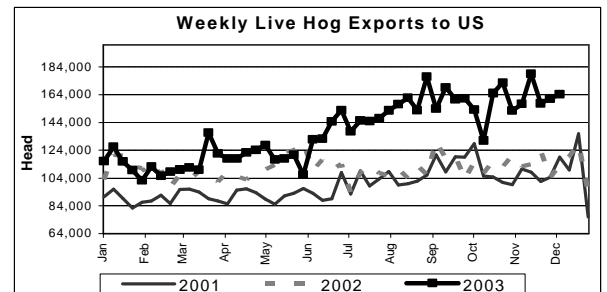
(Metric Tonnes)

FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED PORK	2003	2002	% chg
United States	377,495	336,064	12.3
Japan	163,400	135,979	20.2
Australia	29,687	20,759	43.0
Russia	21,350	31,414	(32.0)
Mexico	46,444	30,819	50.7
South Korea	25,049	27,656	(9.4)
China	21,634	15,415	40.3
Taiwan	16,420	9,460	73.6
Cuba	5,451	8,408	(35.2)
New Zealand	6,294	6,785	(7.2)
Other	57,662	49,323	16.9
Total	770,886	672,082	14.7

Source: STATISTICS CANADA

LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S.

	YTD 03	YTD 02	% chg
HOGS (head)			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	2,216,841	1,744,151	27.1
Feeder Pigs	4,549,660	3,679,631	23.6
Total	6,766,501	5,423,782	24.8
Week Ending 03-12-06			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	61,030	34,222	78.3
Feeder Pigs	103,388	79,075	30.7
Total	164,418	113,297	45.1



IMPORTS YTD for the week ending December 6, 2003

(Metric Tonnes) preliminary

FRESH & FROZEN PORK	2003	2002	% chg
United States	58,193	62,369	-6.7
Denmark	3,812	716	432.4
Other	1,440	392	267.3

PROCESSED & OTHER PORK

	2003	2002	% chg
United States	10,489	10,602	-1.1
Denmark	6	-	-
Other	142	248	-42.7
TOTAL IMPORTS	74,082	74,327	-0.3

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 December 12, 2003		
	2003/2004	2002/2003	% chg
Utilization (kg)	2,970,000	1,162,625	155.5
Balance (kg)	-	1,807,375	0.0
% Utilization	100.0%	39.1%	155.5

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