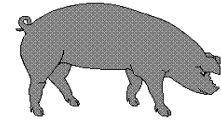




# Hog Statistics at a Glance CANADA



For the Week Ending May 1, 2004

Federal Slaughter	weekly kill # head	CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE		
		2004	2003	% chg
		'000 head		
West	157,240	2,963.0	3,061.0	-3.2
Ontario	81,923	1,468.0	1,471.0	-0.2
Quebec	154,225	2,860.0	2,815.0	1.6
Atlantic	9,233	176.0	179.0	-1.7
<b>CANADA</b>	<b>402,621</b>	<b>7,467.0</b>	<b>7,526.0</b>	<b>-0.8</b>
<b>Pork Production (t)</b>	<b>35,229</b>	<b>653,363</b>	<b>656,267</b>	<b>-0.4</b>
<b>Estimated Sow Slaughter</b>	<b>2,393</b>	<b>45,107</b>	<b>57,282</b>	<b>-21.3</b>

Weekly Prices \$/kg (index 100)	2004	2003	% chg
	Ontario 102.5%	1.75	1.45
Quebec	1.81	1.43	26.6
Alberta	1.68	1.38	21.7
Manitoba*	1.70	1.47	15.6
British Columbia	1.77	1.44	22.9
Saskatchewan	1.59	1.36	16.9
Nova Scotia	1.66	1.38	20.3
Prince Ed. Is.	1.70	1.38	23.2
New Brunswick	1.61	1.33	21.1

\*estimate

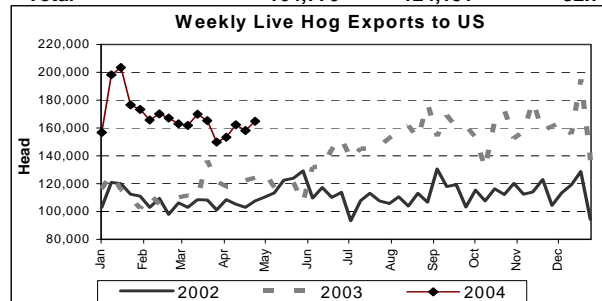
## PORK EXPORTS YTD for the period of January to February

(Metric Tonnes)	2004	2003	% chg
<b>FRESH, FROZEN AND PROCESSED PORK</b>			
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>143,602</b>	<b>153,203</b>	<b>(6.3)</b>

Source: STATISTICS CANADA

## LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S.

	YTD 04	YTD 03	% chg
<b>HOGS (head)</b>			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	993,831	544,686	82.5
Feeder Pigs	1,866,387	1,424,363	31.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,860,218</b>	<b>1,969,049</b>	<b>45.3</b>
<b>Week Ending 04-04-24</b>			
Barrows/Gilts/Sows	50,672	27,716	82.8
Feeder Pigs	114,098	96,435	18.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>164,770</b>	<b>124,151</b>	<b>32.7</b>



Source: USDA-APHIS

## IMPORTS YTD for the week ending April 24, 2004

(Metric Tonnes) preliminary	2004	2003	% chg
<b>FRESH &amp; FROZEN PORK</b>			
United States	24,056	17,635	36.4
Denmark	186	1,141	-83.7
Other	1	525	-99.8

## PROCESSED & OTHER PORK

	2004	2003	% chg
United States	4,593	3,635	26.4
Denmark	-	6	-
Other	37	62	-40.3
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>28,873</b>	<b>23,004</b>	<b>25.5</b>

## 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 24, 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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