



South American Beef Supply

ARGENTINA

For the Period January 1- January 31

Estimated average dead weight kg/head (January)

Graded Slaughter	2002			2001 % chg			Average Weight	2002		2001	
	2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg		2002	2001		
Steers (400 -580 kg)	229,768	337,575	-31.9	Steers	275	277					
Light Steers (280-370 kg)	196,680	197,057	-0.2	Light Steers	201	204					
Bulls	13,552	15,015	-9.7	Bulls	354	361					
Cows	144,056	159,054	-9.4	Cows	234	233					
Heifers	176,000	205,858	-14.5	Heifers	174	173					
Calves	119,944	120,947	-0.8	Calves	127	127					
Total	880,000	1,035,506	-15.0								

Argentina's Beef Situation in some International Markets (February 2002)

	Chilled/Frozen	Processed	Offals
Canada	Closed	Opened	Closed
US	Closed	Opened	Closed
Mexico	Closed	Opened	Closed
Brazil	Opened	Opened	Opened
Chile	Closed/in negotiation	Opened	Closed
Israel	Opened	Opened	Opened
EU	Opened	Opened	Closed/in negotiation

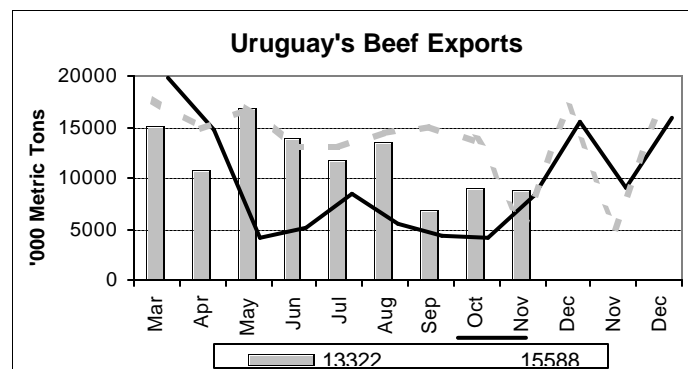
Source: Secretaria de Agricultura, Ganaderia, Pesca y Alimentacion - SAGPyA, Livestock & Meat Market Intelligence Division

URUGUAY

For the Period January 1 - February 28

Slaughter (head)	2002			2001 % chg			Exports by Product	2002		2001	
	2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg		2002	2001		
Cows	121,882	145,280	-16.1	Exports by Product	Volume (Tonnes Shipped)		4,898	9,355			
Bulls	4,424	5,103	-13.3		Chilled	21,950	22,690				
Steers	196,013	173,557	12.9		Frozen	1,661	1,289				
Calves	6,988	7,865	-11.2		Processed and Salted	28,509	33,334				
Total	329,307	331,805	-0.8		Total						

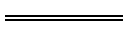
Beef Exports	2002			2001 % chg		
	2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg
	Volume (Tonnes Shipped Weight)					
Canada	12	6,124	-99.8			
US	638	5,225	-87.8			
Brazil	2,515	5,221	-51.8			
Argentina	2,148	1,733	23.9			
Israel	7,484	7,357	1.7			
United Kingdom	4,526	2,074	118.2			
Netherlands	653	651	0.3			



Source: National Meat Institute of the Republic of Uruguay

% chg

-0.7
-1.5
-1.9
0.4
0.6
0.0



% chg

Weight)

-47.6
-3.3
28.9
-14.5

