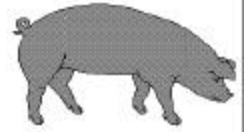




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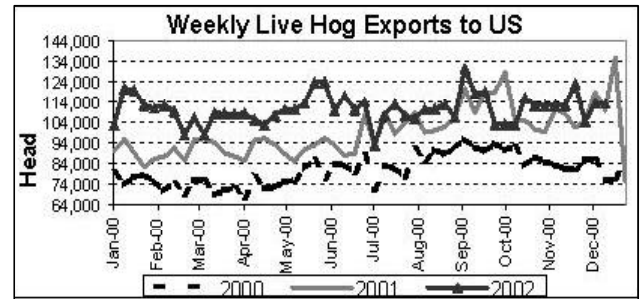
Federal Slaughter	weekly kill # head	CUMULATIVE TOTALS TO DATE		
		2002 '000 head	2001 '000 head	% chg
West	182,851	8,072.0	7,314.0	10.4
Ontario	88,737	3,961.0	3,625.0	9.3
Quebec	185,369	8,022.0	7,737.0	3.7
Atlantic	12,725	519.0	507.0	2.4
CANADA	469,682	20,574.0	19,183.0	7.3
Pork Production (t)	41,097	1,800,225	1,667,003	8.0
Estimated Sow Slaughter	3,592	163,435	183,089	-10.7

Weekly Prices \$/kg (index 100)	2002			2001			% chg
	2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg	
Ontario	102.5%	1.28	1.39	-7.9			
Quebec		1.20	1.30	-7.7			
Alberta		1.15	1.27	-9.4			
Manitoba*		1.28	1.36	-5.9			
British Columbia		1.31	1.37	-4.4			
Saskatchewan		1.12	1.24	-9.7			
Nova Scotia		1.33	1.37	-2.9			
Prince Ed. Is.		1.28	1.31	-2.3			
New Brunswick		1.29	1.33	-3.0			

*estimate

PORK EXPORTS		YTD for week ending October 26, 2002		
(Metric Tonnes)		2002	2001	% chg
FRESH & FROZEN PORK				
United States	n/a		270,019	
Japan	158,610		140,401	13.0
Mexico	35,543		44,639	-20.4
Korea	26,163		25,034	4.5
Other	126,034		127,212	-0.9
PROCESSED PORK				
United States	n/a		50,521	
Japan	1,531		1,014	51.0
Mexico	1,069		407	162.7
Korea	5		2	150.0
Other	6,027		5,776	4.3
TOTAL FAT EXPORTS	n/a		50,813	

LIVE HOG EXPORTS TO U.S.		YTD 02			YTD 01			% chg
		2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg	
HOGS (head)								
Barrows/Gilts/Sows		1,776,418	1,938,589	-8.4				
Feeder Pigs		3,766,686	3,015,951	24.9				
Total		5,543,104	4,954,540	11.9				
Week Ending 02-12-14								
Barrows/Gilts/Sows		32,267	42,954	-24.9				
Feeder Pigs		87,055	66,933	30.1				
Total		119,322	109,887	8.6				



Source: CFIA & USDA

Source: USDA-APHIS

IMPORTS		YTD for the week ending December 14, 2002		
(Metric Tonnes) preliminary		2002	2001	% chg
FRESH & FROZEN PORK				
United States		63,121	51,408	22.8
Denmark		718	3,095	-76.8
Other		406	328	23.8

PROCESSED & OTHER PORK		YTD 02			YTD 01			% chg
		2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg	
United States		11,003	11,203	-1.8				
Denmark		-	2					
Other		228	390	-41.5				
TOTAL IMPORTS		75,476	66,426	13.6				

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. 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. In 2001/02 the Tariff Rate Quota was reached on October 2, 2002.

	Permits issued as of December 23, 2002		
	2002/03	2001/02	% chg
Utilization (kg)	1,187,517	2,969,839	-60.0
Balance (kg)	1,782,483	2,970,000	-40.0
% Utilization	40.0%	100.0%	(60.0)

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Canadian Hog Slaughter by Province of Origin

Total Slaughter Year to Date December 21, 2002

Week ending December 21, 2002

	2002	2001	% chg	2002	2001	% chg
British Columbia	247,253	222,877	10.9	6,117	5,934	3.1
Alberta	3,338,803	2,978,284	12.1	76,826	73,442	4.6
Saskatchewan	1,390,232	1,172,853	18.5	30,728	25,972	18.3
Manitoba	3,564,224	3,380,567	5.4	78,321	67,353	16.3
Ontario	5,233,729	4,878,997	7.3	111,616	96,660	15.5
Quebec	7,272,499	6,959,002	4.5	173,979	132,851	1.3
New Brunswick	201,837	222,315	-9.2	4,475	3,993	1.3
Nova Scotia	3,592	163,435	-97.8	5,857	5,983	1.3
Prince Edward Island	216,624	206,035	5.1	4,847	4,785	1.3
CANADA	21,468,793	20,184,365	6.4	492,766	416,973	18.2

UNITED STATES

Year To Date for the Week Ending December 21, 2002

Supply Summary	2002	2001	% chg	Weekly US Prices (\$/cwt)			
				2002	2001	% chg	
Slaughter ('000 head)	96,562	94,702	2.0	South St. Joseph	30.50	n/a	-
Slaughter for the week	2,156	2,167	-0.5	Sioux Falls	30.45	40.10	-24.1
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	200	198	1.0	Lancaster County	32.70	32.87	-0.5
Pork Produced (mil lbs)	18,982	18,548	2.3	National Cost	43.67	47.72	-8.5
Source: USDA-APHIS							(51-54% Lean Yield Basis)

LEADING MARKETS FOR US PORK PLUS VARIETY MEAT EXPORTS (January - October)

COUNTRY	Year-to-date Quantity (Metric Tonnes)			COUNTRY	Year-to-date Quantity (Metric Tonnes)		
	01/02 - 10/02	01/01 - 10/01	% chg		01/02 - 10/02	01/01 - 10/01	% chg
Japan	222,719	210,189	6.0	Philippines	767	1,546	-50.4
Mexico	170,867	157,854	8.2	Taiwan	15,593	9,806	59.0
Canada	64,279	55,887	15.0	Cent. & Sth America	11,553	12,609	-8.4
China	9,724	8,842	10.0	Korea	17,977	11,009	63.3
Hong Kong	18,895	27,601	-31.5	Caribbean	8,102	7,727	4.9
Russia	12,850	26,548	-51.6	Eastern Europe	2,460	2,948	-16.6
European Union	6,852	11,091	-38.2	World Total	569,667	550,313	3.5

Source: U.S. Meat Export Federation

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