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Canada signs Veterinary Agreement with European Union

On December 17, 1998 the government of Canada and the European Union concluded an agreement governing trade in live animals, animal products, fish and fish products. The Veterinary Agreement outlines a process for achieving recognition of the equivalency of sanitary measures between Canada and the European Union.

The Agreement covers live animals, animal products, fish and fish products. Trade between Canada and the EU in these sectors was valued at approximately C\$800 million in 1997, with C\$550 million worth exported from Canada and C\$250 million imported into Canada. Canada's exports of fish and fish products accounted for the largest share of exports.

This is the first comprehensive agreement governing inspection of animals and animal products signed by Canada, although Canada already has a number of inspection and certification agreements, relating to specific types of animals or food products. The EU has signed similar agreements with New Zealand and the Czech Republic and is currently negotiating with other countries including the U.S. and Australia.

The Canada-EU Veterinary Agreement covers all animal products for human consumption (including meat, poultry, eggs

and egg products, honey, milk and dairy products, fish and seafood), live animals, embryos and animal semen, animal feeds of animal origin, and pet food, as well as all rendered products (fat, etc.), and other animal by-products (hides, manure, etc.).

Excluded from the Agreement are requirements related to food additives, sanitary stamps, processing aids, flavors, irradiation, contaminants (including microbiological standards), transport, chemicals originating from packaging materials, labeling of foods, animal feeds of plant origin, biologicals, medicated feeds and premises. There is provision in the Agreement to explore these areas in the future.

Canada and the EU must now take steps to implement the Agreement. This will include an audit of the current EU system, identifying establishments eligible to export, implementing a work plan to consider those areas not yet fully assessed, and establishing the Joint Management Committee responsible for overseeing the provisions of the Agreement.

Source: USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service (not official USDA data), the Canadian Food Inspection Agency

U.S. EXPORTS

	Oct-97	Nov-97	Dec-97	Jan-98	Feb-98	Mar-98	Apr-98	May-98	Jun-98	Jul-98	Aug-98	Sep-98	Oct-98
Broiler Exports	RTC, thousand lb.												
Japan	21865	21336	12591	23089	18736	16461	19765	18542	19583	14945	14857	23208	24816
Mexico	23932	18952	24134	19774	22760	26027	21548	24148	20705	22610	23720	20603	22149
Hong Kong	82389	70991	77908	25916	56673	82046	91456	84836	82472	88718	86709	84827	80808
Singapore	3478	2189	2886	1996	1265	1665	1896	792	975	1360	1009	1581	1578
Canada	10355	11375	8106	10517	8963	10716	10707	10488	9987	10457	11955	11888	11433
Russia	194816	180994	176248	234851	164709	132831	142743	186887	180613	122502	147152	2150	48397
Total	449590	402079	401604	440624	407423	392963	397049	474640	470756	424943	415025	243299	303519
Turkey Exports													
Mexico	17697	20706	24477	11710	15263	15309	13645	19389	25884	19881	20089	25453	30342
S. Korea	3325	1255	100	168	145	47	291	132	48	380	503	432	942
Russia	8981	4408	6975	3616	6186	9874	8144	13095	9688	8108	5501	553	131
Hong Kong	9683	9143	12173	3343	2547	2167	4159	2460	2862	2611	3964	4378	2039
Total	53766	48899	57134	29717	31181	34558	31296	41637	46284	37835	35266	36471	39680
Shell Egg Exports	Thousand dz.												
	11495	8896	8657	6370	7139	9189	9328	7757	8247	8412	7927	9715	11639

Source: USDA, Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Outlook

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS

U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Type	Week Ending		Year-To-Date	
	1998	1997/1	1998	1997
Liquid	138	97	14,771	17,263
Frozen	0	0	50	0
Dried	43	0	783	815
Total	181	97	15,604	18,078

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (Preliminary)

Type	Week Ending		Year-To-Date	
	1998	1997/1	1998	1997
Liquid	49	54	3,981	5,003
Frozen	9	0	224	0
Dried	0	0	235	69
Total	58	54	4,440	5,072

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

	Week Ending		Year-To-Date	
	1998	1997/1	1998	1997
Jumbo	0	0	1,399	0
Extra Large	480	325	39,499	38,822
Large	3,827	4,760	140,009	145,211
Medium	850	806	68,505	56,563
Ungraded	2,310	720	371,303	204,569
Misc	0	0	9,117	11,777
Total	7,467	6,611	629,832	456,942

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

EASTERN REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. January 08,1999

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT	FROZEN		FRESH	
	FOB	DELIVERED	FOB	DELIVERED
CONTENT	DOCK		DOCK	
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	19.00	-	-	-
WTD AVG	19.00			

300,000 pounds, this includes 240,000 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	13.00-15.00	16.00	13.50-17.00	16.50
WTD AVERAGE	14.38	16.00	16.35	16.50
1,276,300 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.				
15-20%				
RANGE	12.00	14.00	11.50-13.50	12.00-12.50
WTD AVERAGE	12.00	14.00	12.21	12.17

936,296 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVG				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 26-DEC-98 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY (000'S)

	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
	HENS	HENS	HENS
HEAD	1,428	926	2,354
LAST WEEK	2,562	1,395	3,957
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,269	845	2,114
TO-DATE/1998	102,796	63,998	166,794
TO-DATE/1997	103,787	61,866	165,653

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
	HENS	HENS	HENS
HEAD	273	0	273
LAST WEEK	343	14	357
SAME WEEK YR AGO	208	6	214
TO-DATE/1998	23,848	352	24,200
TO-DATE/1997	24,399	411	24,810

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
	HENS	HENS	HENS
HEAD	1,701	926	2,627
LAST WEEK	2,905	1,409	4,314
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,477	851	2,328
TO-DATE/1998	126,644	64,350	190,994
TO-DATE/1997	128,186	62,277	190,463

CENTRAL REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. January 08,1999

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT	FROZEN		FRESH	
	FOB	DELIVERED	FOB	DELIVERED
CONTENT	DOCK		DOCK	
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVG				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	15.00	18.00
WTD AVG	-	-	15.00	18.00
122,400 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.				
15-20%				
RANGE	10.00-14.00	13.50	10.00-14.00	11.50-14.75
WTD AVERAGE	11.17	13.50	11.81	14.00

3,767,600 pounds, this includes 452,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVG				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS

JANUARY 08, 1999

Fresh tom breast meat undertone steady with increased offers noted and lower buyer bids meeting seller resistance. Trade sentiment steady to weak on frozen thigh meat. Offerings readily available. Tom drum and tom full-cut wing offerings adequate to ample. Open priced trading heavy for January-December, 1999 on wing meat with skin, fresh tom breast meat and fresh 15-20% skin added mechanically separated turkey. Fresh destrapped tenderloin trading heavy with a floor of 126 and 146 cent ceiling delivered February-April, 1999. For export (light volumes): tom wings 21, hen 2-joint wings 39.50 and tom defatted gizzards 67 cents.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 08, 1999

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	19.74	250	20.13	302
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	25.16	248	24.59	664
TAILS	20.75		20.75	40	19.35	132
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN						

THURSDAY, JANUARY 07, 1999

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.50-21.00		19.74	250
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00-25.25		25.16	248
TAILS	17.00		17.00	52
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 06, 1999

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	22.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	208
TAILS	21.00		21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	61.00	40

TUESDAY, JANUARY 05, 1999

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	22.00		22.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	23.50		23.50	208
TAILS		W	20.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	61.00	40

MONDAY, JANUARY 04, 1999

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

NO TRADING REPORTED

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY
 2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.

*****NOTICE*****

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