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### Bird Flu Suspected in China

On June 7 Japan announced it was temporarily banning imports of poultry products from China due to fears over the spread of avian influenza that appeared in Hong Kong last month. The Japanese Agriculture Ministry said the measure followed recent import bans by South Korea, Macau and Hong Kong on Chinese poultry products. South Korea banned Chinese poultry after a shipment of Chinese duck tested positive for avian influenza during routine tests. On the same day, Hong Kong said it would resume the import of live ducks on June 10 and geese on June 12 from the mainland. Hong Kong expected chicken imports to resume in mid-June.

European Commission veterinary experts will examine reports of bird flu in China after several countries and territories banned imports of Chinese poultry. The EU lifted its five-year embargo on imports of Chinese chickens last month. The embargo was originally put in place over what the EU said were hygiene concerns.

Thai chicken exporters have the greatest export potential to compensate for the loss of China. Japan normally imports 20,000 metric tons of chicken products from China each month.

Source: Various sources

### Japanese Frozen Broiler Imports (in metric tons)

	United States	China	Brazil	Thailand	Total
<b>2000</b>					
January	4,802	18,128	5,057	10,134	38,121
February	5,365	13,655	9,741	10,752	39,513
<b>Total</b>	10,167	31,783	14,798	20,886	77,634
<b>2001</b>					
January	5,215	18,693	5,588	9,515	39,011
February	3,792	10,847	10,305	8,748	33,692
<b>Total</b>	9,007	29,540	15,893	18,263	72,703

### Japanese Frozen Broiler Imports by Calendar Year

<b>1997</b>	99,730	195,786	97,788	87,929	481,233
<b>1998</b>	102,272	186,553	70,255	119,813	478,893
<b>1999</b>	104,726	196,983	99,219	130,574	531,502
<b>2000</b>	87,322	220,245	112,933	127,969	548,469

### Japanese Broiler Production by Fiscal Year (Apr-Mar)

1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
1,251,658	1,235,816	1,233,969	1,211,671	1,185,148

Broiler production for the first 11 months of FY2000 totaled 1,099,324 metric tons.

Source: ALIC Monthly statistics

### US-China Accession Talks

US Trade Representative Robert Zoellick met on 5 June with Chinese Trade Minister Shi Guang Sheng in the lead-up to the APEC meeting to discuss the status of China's 14-year bid to accede to the WTO. China's levels of agricultural subsidies remain the main impediment to China's entry. The US wants Beijing to limit its level of subsidization to five percent of total production, while China insists that it should be allowed to subsidize at a level equal to ten percent of total production, a provision permitted other developing countries in the WTO. The bilateral meeting follows President Bush's announcement that he intends to renew China's Normal Trade Relations (NTR) status this year, a prerequisite for China's accession to the WTO.

A fresh round of talks on China's admission to the WTO has been set for 28 June through 4 August. APEC members are: Australia, Brunei, Canada, China, Chile, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, the Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the US and Vietnam. APEC's members generate 60 percent of world output and half of global trade.

Source: BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest

### Poultry in the Czech Republic

Animal products, and especially meat, are important items on the menu in the Czech Republic. This is also reflected by the structure of agricultural production whereby the Czech Republic is fully self-sufficient in meat production. In the last ten years significant changes have taken place in meat production. The new economic situation has greatly affected the sectors of beef meat and poultry.

In recent years poultry meat has grown in popularity. According to expectations the following years will not be witness to such an aggressive rise in consumption. Poultry production is integrated with poultry processing. The EU has certified a number of poultry processing facilities.

### Poultry Meat in Metric Tons Live Weight

	1989	2000
Production	199,000	294,000
Export	13,000	10,000
Import	0	22,000

### Poultry Slaughtered in '000

1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
127,190	127,690	148,890	162,010	161,990	162,390

Per capita consumption rose from 28.66 lb in 1989 to 48.94 in 2000.

Source: Czech Agrarian Chamber, FAOSTAT

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**

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

	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	103	201	4,826	2,504
Frozen	0	41	40	85
Dried	0	13	22	226
Total	103	255	4,888	2,815

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	169	161	2,183	2,610
Frozen	11	11	612	274
Dried	0	13	240	588
Total	180	185	3,035	3,472

**Inspected Shell Eggs**

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

	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	54	87	517
Extra Large	240	1,230	17,319	14,892
Large	1,164	1,693	47,987	62,758
Medium	710	762	19,088	14,925
Ungraded	8,820	6,930	125,240	81,120
Misc	0	0	33,138	6,210
Total	10,934	10,669	242,859	180,422

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

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

**CHICKEN** 08-JUN-2001  
 — PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.00	15.00-19.00	256,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	20.00	16.30		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-21.00	12.50-18.00	3,998,400	1,836,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.90	15.33		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 02-June-01

(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,461	1,184	2,645
LAST WEEK	1,595	1,568	3,163
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,393	1,277	2,670
TO-DATE/2001	39,492	29,488	68,980
TO-DATE/2000	44,117	30,361	74,478

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	525	17	542
LAST WEEK	210	0	210
SAME WEEK YR AGO	494	0	494
TO-DATE/2001	10,854	160	11,014
TO-DATE/2000	11,012	50	11,062

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,986	1,201	3,187
LAST WEEK	1,805	1,568	3,373
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,887	1,277	3,164
TO-DATE/2001	50,346	29,648	79,994
TO-DATE/2000	55,129	30,411	85,540

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

**CHICKEN** 08-JUN-2001  
 — PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	22.00	-	260,000	260,000
WTD AVERAGE	22.00			

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.00-21.00	17.00-21.00	924,000	404,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.39	18.67		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-22.00	15.50-18.00	2,512,000	1,232,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.79	16.88		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

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

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 8 JUNE 2001.

The undertone on tom breast meat was generally steady with some unsettledness noted. Some industry members indicated strength on tom breast meat and showing only limited offerings while others note instances of increased availability of fresh. Seller sentiment generally remained firm on destrapped tenderloins as active buyer interest continued to be noted for the limited offerings. The undertone was steady on wing meat, steady to fully steady on scapula, and increased confidence was starting to develop on breast trim. Demand was fair on wing meat, scapula and breast trim. Domestic trading consisted of light volumes. Fresh whole tenderloins traded at 134 cents delivered. Export demand was fair to good on drums, thigh meat and mechanically separated turkey. Full-cut wing inquiry was slow to moderate for exports with instances of lower trending offering prices noted.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 08, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	29.00-31.00		29.79	304	29.92	528
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	29.00	40	28.82	292
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		R	30.00	40	30.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	22.00		22.00	20	22.80	100
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	70.00-72.00		70.75	240	69.95	2,200

**THURSDAY, JUNE 07, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	28.00-31.00		30.17	144
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	29.00		29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	30.00		30.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		W	23.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	70.00-71.50		70.70	600

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 06, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	30.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	28.00-29.00		28.79	252
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	30.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	23.00		23.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	68.00-71.00		69.38	1,000

**TUESDAY, JUNE 05, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	30.00		30.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	29.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	27.00	104
TAILS		F	30.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	21.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	69.00-71.00		69.50	160

**MONDAY, JUNE 04, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	29.00	260
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	29.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	27.00	104
TAILS		F	30.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	21.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	70.00		70.00	200

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.

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