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In trade negotiations in Shanghai, U.S. and Chinese trade officials reached agreement on the major remaining bilateral issues in China's WTO accession, including the issue of domestic agricultural subsidies. China agreed to limit its use of trade-distorting domestic agricultural subsidies to 8.5 percent of the total value of its agricultural production. This was below the ten percent level allowed for developing countries and above the five percent level allowed for developed countries. China also agreed to an 8.5 percent cap for specific products and waived the separate WTO exemption supports for permitting developing countries to provide unlimited investment and input subsidies for agricultural and rural development.

In a speech on June 14, 2001, Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman said China's recent bilateral commitments pave the way for significantly increased U.S. access to the world's most populous market. "We are very pleased that the United States and China have now resolved one of the last remaining bilateral issues in China's bid to join the World Trade Organization." Pre-agreement poultry tariffs are 20 percent. Post-agreement tariffs will be 10 percent.

China is a net importer of poultry meat, but because its export and import markets are disjointed, both exports and imports are expected to exhibit double-digit growth during the next few years. The primary exports are live birds to Hong Kong and de-boned chicken pieces to Japan. The import sector consists primarily of frozen parts such as feet, wings, wing tips, legs and gizzards. The rapid rise of the fast food industry in China, both domestic and foreign-owned chains, bodes well for continued strong demand for imported poultry meat. Import statistics reported below are based on USDA data and take into account transshipments through Hong Kong into southern China.

Poultry Supplies in China (in 1,000 metric tons)

	1998	1999	2000
Totals	11,149	11,810	12,160
Market Size	10,700	11,000	11,350
Exports	354	390	440
Imports	804	1,200	1,250
Imports from U.S.	496	750	800

Sources: USDA Press Release No. 0100.01, China Country Commercial Guide prepared by the U.S. Embassy, Beijing and USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service.

U.S. Exports of Frozen Chicken to China



Source: USDA/Economic Research Service and U.S. Census Bureau Foreign Trade Statistics

Lithuania Becomes WTO's 141st Member

The former Soviet Republic of Lithuania, independent since 1991, has joined the WTO as its 141st Member. The entry of the Baltic state came into force on 31 May, 30 days after it had notified the WTO of the ratification of the accession agreement by its parliament in Vilnius. After Latvia and Estonia, Lithuania is the last of the three Baltic States to become a Member of the WTO.

Source: BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest

2000-2001 JAPANESE FROZEN EGG IMPORTS (IN TONS)

	Frozen			Month Total
	Whole Eggs	Frozen Yolks	Frozen Albumen	
2000				
January	184.8	1,552.3	526.0	2,263.1
February	184.9	388.0	426.0	998.9
March	211.3	530.4	373.3	1115.0
2000 To-Date	581.0	2,470.7	1,325.3	4,377.0
2001				
January	296.4	842.8	304.8	1,444.0
February	153.4	756.6	421.4	1,331.4
March	172.9	1265.8	178.8	1617.5
2001 To-Date	622.7	2,865.2	905.0	4,392.9

Source: ALIC Monthly Statistics

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

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

Week Ending Jun 09, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Liquid	149	102	4,975	2,606
Frozen	0	0	40	85
Dried	0	0	22	226
Total	149	102	5,037	2,917

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

Week Ending Jun 09, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	102	137	2,285	2,747
Frozen	13	3	625	277
Dried	31	0	271	588
Total	146	140	3,181	3,612

Inspected Shell Eggs

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

Week Ending Jun 09, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	87	517
Extra Large	2,210	1,230	19,529	16,122
Large	4,370	2,820	52,357	65,578
Medium	1,350	600	20,438	15,525
Ungraded	10,350	7,560	135,590	88,680
Misc	2,280	27	35,418	6,237
Total	20,560	12,237	263,419	192,659

/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 15-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	18.00-25.00	18.00	183,600	-
WTD AVERAGE	20.60	18.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	18.00-20.00	12.50-19.00	3,268,000	1,428,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.00	16.91		
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 09-June-01

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,740	1,295	3,035
LAST WEEK	1,461	1,184	2,645
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,970	1,554	3,524
TO-DATE/2001	41,232	30,783	72,015
TO-DATE/2000	46,087	31,915	78,002

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	338	20	358
LAST WEEK	525	17	542
SAME WEEK YR AGO	479	2	481
TO-DATE/2001	11,192	180	11,372
TO-DATE/2000	11,491	52	11,543

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	2,078	1,315	3,393
LAST WEEK	1,986	1,201	3,187
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,449	1,556	4,005
TO-DATE/2001	52,424	30,963	83,387
TO-DATE/2000	57,578	31,967	89,545

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 15-JUN-2001
 — PRICES — VOLUME —
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	21.00	-	200,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	21.00			

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

— PRICES — VOLUME —
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	19.00-22.00	19.00-22.00	904,500	316,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.34	20.31		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.25-22.00	17.00-18.00	1,976,580	1,392,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.06	17.64		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	19.00	-	6,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	19.00			

* 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 15 JUNE 2001.

Tom breast meat was balanced with needs and generally steady. Destrapped and whole tenders ranged adequate to tight and the market tone was steady to fully steady. Fully adequate offerings of tom full cut wings attracted little interest. Inquiries on fresh and frozen mechanically separated turkey often went unfilled. Export activity was light. Some buyers were reluctant to pay asking prices for the spot offerings of tom drums.

FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	31.00	80	31.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		M	27.00	28	27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	22.00	20		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	71.00		71.00	120	70.60	200

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	31.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		M	27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	22.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	70.00	80

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	31.00		31.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		M	27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	22.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	70.00	80

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	29.79	304
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		M	27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	22.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	70.00		70.00	80

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	29.79	304
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	27.00		27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	22.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	70.75	240

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.