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Korea's Broiler Situation

Korea's broiler production for 2002 is forecast at 413,000 tons, up marginally. However, gains in production are unlikely to satisfy consumption growth. For 2002, broiler imports are forecast at 85,000 tons, up 6 percent from the previous year's record. The United States continues to be the dominant supplier of broiler meat to Korea despite stiff competition from Thailand. Thailand took all of the 2001 market gain, even though the average import price from Thailand was about 50 percent higher than that of the U.S. In 2001, U.S. broiler exports (mainly legs) to Korea, the fifth largest market for U.S. broilers, were valued at \$70 million.

Korea - Chicken Imports

Year	Chicken Parts			Whole Chicken	
	China	Thailand	US	US	US
1995	2	111	5,202	345	
1996	1,820	372	7,330	322	
1997	8,150	1,264	7,194	78	
1998	1,013	2,537	8,387	0	
1999	24	5,251	39,563	24	
2000	1,863	10,145	53,373	237	
2001	3,567	27,187	48,709	25	

Source: 1995: UN Trade Data, 1996-2001: Korean Customs, USDA/FAS

China Agricultural Statistics Total Value in million dollars

Exports

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Poultry meat	621	691	608	523	539	587

Imports

Poultry	80	140	129	108	410	481
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U.S. Exports to China

*Eggs	61	76	195	139	343	1,023
Poultry meat	33,892	60,345	52,413	38,474	49,477	45,363

*Includes egg products

Source: China National Bureau of Statistics, China customs statistics, U.S. Census Bureau trade data

Russia Issues New Permits

In a State Department press briefing on Tuesday, April 23, Spokesman Richard Boucher announced Russia had issued two permits for the import of US chicken. By late week Russia issued seven more new permits for a total of 30,000 metric tons of US poultry and more requests were being processed.

Source: US State Department and various news sources

Library of Export Requirements

4/25/2002 Export Requirements for Russia. Poultry and poultry products (including bulk-packed ground poultry) are eligible for export to Russia. Certain restrictions remain for the States of Pennsylvania, Maine, Virginia and North Carolina.

Labeling must include production date and "use by" date in the day, month, year format. FSIS Form 9450-4 (3/23/02) has been modified to include a blue USDA seal and a USDA watermark as security features. The Russian Veterinary Service will not allow product entry without presentation of the original health certificate.

If the importer does not have a valid import permit, the product may not be allowed entry. Health certificates will not be provided for poultry products originating from non-certified plants.

Source: USDA/FSIS

United Nations Agencies Launch Evaluation of International Food Code

The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO) have launched a joint evaluation of FAO and WHO food standards program, including the Codex Alimentarius, so that the program best serves the concerns of all (the rich and poor) regarding health, safety and trade in food. This is the first evaluation process of the international food code, Codex Alimentarius, and its standard-setting mechanisms after 40 years of operations.

This evaluation of FAO's and WHO's food standards program is being carried out by an independent evaluation team and an expert panel. The evaluation process began in April and is scheduled to be completed in early 2003, with a report that will include recommendations for consideration by the governing bodies of both FAO and WHO.

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Egg Products, Exports in metric tons

	Jan-Feb 01	Jan-Feb 02	Feb-01	Feb-02
Canada	727	1,234	430	592
Mexico	458	156	218	63
EU	429	860	150	509
Korea	265	267	168	106
Japan	1,961	1,083	1,017	712
World Total	4,543	4,113	2,249	2,259

Source: USDA/U.S. Agricultural Exports

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

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

Week Ending Apr 20, 2002	Year-To-Date			
Type	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	453	335	5,511	3,333
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	8	22
Total	453	335	5,519	3,355

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

Week Ending Apr 20, 2002	Year-To-Date			
Type	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	62	57	1,562	1,516
Frozen	88	6	1,199	506
Dried	70	0	1,120	203
Total	220	63	3,881	2,225

Inspected Shell Eggs

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

Week Ending Apr 20, 2002	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	50	0	350	87
Extra Large	60	690	2,298	9,396
Large	3,040	1,700	19,837	29,885
Medium	1,080	660	16,125	12,268
Ungraded	16,710	15,276	49,980	65,864
Misc	0	4,500	10,204	12,287
Total	20,940	22,826	98,794	129,787

/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.

26-APR-2002
CHICKEN — 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	- 11.50-12.00		163,200	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.94		
15-20%				
RANGE	- 10.00-13.00		1,711,200	122,400
WTD AVERAGE		10.60		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	- 9.00		12,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		9.00		

* 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 20-Apr-02
 (PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,910	1,417	3,327
LAST WEEK	1,927	1,327	3,254
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,706	1,410	3,116
TO-DATE/2002	29,139	20,765	49,904
TO-DATE/2001	29,714	21,015	50,729

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	129	0	129
LAST WEEK	253	0	253
SAME WEEK YR AGO	417	13	430
TO-DATE/2002	5,076	20	5,096
TO-DATE/2001	8,154	125	8,279

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	2,039	1,417	3,456
LAST WEEK	2,180	1,327	3,507
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,123	1,423	3,546
TO-DATE/2002	34,215	20,785	55,000
TO-DATE/2001	37,868	21,140	59,008

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH

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.

26-APR-2002
CHICKEN — 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	11.50-15.00	12.75-13.50	880,000	318,000
WTD AVERAGE	14.39	13.90		
15-20%				
RANGE	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	1,310,000	416,000
WTD AVERAGE	12.42	11.32		
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 26 APRIL 2002.

Thigh meat was unsettled. Inquiries for Russian approved thigh meat found availability limited. Otherwise, thigh meat was at least adequate into other export channels and for domestic needs. Breast meat was available at steady prices and buyers looking for discounts were less than successful. Export trading was moderate. Hen full cut wings moved at 21.5 delivered port, tom necks 17 port, and thigh trim 31 cents. A fair volume of fresh and frozen tom drums traded at open prices to the border for May shipments.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	22.00-24.00		23.34	628	24.06	1,792
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	104	29.00	364
TAILS		R	23.00	40	23.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	13.00		13.00	80	11.80	200
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	53.00		53.00	52	56.45	1,628

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00		25.00	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	29.00	208
TAILS	23.00		23.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	11.00		11.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	53.50	104

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	24.00-24.50		24.12	520
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	21.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	208
TAILS		R	19.00	416
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	13.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	53.50		53.50	104

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00-26.00		25.46	224
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	21.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	29.00	52
TAILS		R	19.00	416
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	13.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	57.00		57.00	20

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2002**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.50-24.00		23.90	260
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		w	21.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	52
TAILS		R	19.00	416
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	13.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	56.00-58.00		56.78	1,452

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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