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## Secretary Veneman Receives Assurances on Movement of U.S. Poultry Exports to Russia

In a phone conversation on May 21, Minister Aleksey Gordeyev assured Secretary Ann Veneman that the two ships long delayed in the port of St. Petersburg could now be unloaded. The ships are carrying about 15,000 tons of U.S. poultry products. As a further positive indication, Veneman noted that two additional U.S. ships are now bound for Russia carrying product to be imported under the new import licensing regime. Gordeyev also noted that import licenses for over 147,000 tons of poultry had now been issued. In 2001 Russia imported about 1.2 million tons of poultry, over 80 percent of which was supplied by the U.S. Russia is the largest market for U.S. poultry products.

Source: USDA News Release No. 0199.02

## U.S. Trade, Fiscal Year-to-date and Current Months

### Poultry Meat and Products in million dollars

	Feb 2002	Mar 2002	Chg	Oct to Mar 2001	2002	Chg
Export	169	158	-6%	1124	1205	7%
Import	24	20	-17%	106	134	27%

Source: USDA/ERS and Census Bureau

### Alternative Layer Guides

Lohmann Tierzucht has issued two egg production management guides for alternative systems to cages, which highlight essential aspects and recommendations for feeding and management. Managers of alternative systems need to know the answers to problems that were common prior to the introduction of cage systems, under today's circumstances. The guides are available in English and German from Lohmann Tierzucht GmbH. Email: [info@LTZ.de](mailto:info@LTZ.de)

Source: Watt Poultry [www.wattnett.com](http://www.wattnett.com)

## U.S. Exports of Egg Products and Table Eggs

Egg Products MT	Canada	Mexico	EU	Korea	Hong Kong	Japan	Grand Total
Jan-Dec 2000	4,709	1,517	1,924	1,433	536	14,945	27,749
Jan-Dec 2001	7,819	1,445	4,450	1,670	446	11,123	30,964
March 2001	517	147	338	168	45	1,035	2,514
March 2002	688	28	203	147	37	559	1,964
Table Eggs, in dozens	Canada	Mexico	EU	UA E	Hong Kong	Japan	Grand Total
Jan-Dec 2000	18,481,028	1,908,651	5,879,940	229,971	16,125,794	3,543,374	50,665,202
Jan-Dec 2001	19,028,757	1,650,185	916,817	92,708	25,512,794	2,235,637	51,349,587
March 2001	1,344,769	3,550	1,683	54,180	2,151,223	2,983	3,809,488
March 2002	653,461	59,372	1,575	81,270	1,986,182	1,200	2,886,469

Source: USDA/FAS

## Mexico: Auction of Permits to Import U.S. Table Eggs

On June 12, 2002, SE will auction off permits (cupos) to import 1,004.25 metric tons (1.5 million dozens) of shell table eggs (except fertile eggs) from the United States for 2002. These permits are part of the tariff-rate quota (TRQ) for all shell eggs established under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The total TRQ for all shell eggs in 2002 is 8,234 (12.2 million dozen), including fertile eggs.

Source: USDA/FAS

## Egg Shortage in Sweden?

The slow introduction of new, more animal friendly layer hen cages is expected to lead to a shortage of fresh eggs in Sweden in the second half of this year for the first time in many years. Analysts forecast that another half a million hens are needed in addition to the existing five million currently in production in order to balance the market. The general lack of eggs has developed as producers cease or reduce production in reaction to the steep costs involved in converting their operations to the more bird friendly system.

Source: International Egg Commission

## Colombia Halts Some Poultry Imports

Due to the Avian Influenza outbreak in Virginia and North Carolina, Colombia has halted imports of live poultry from all of the United States and imports of all live poultry and poultry products from the two states where the outbreaks occurred.

Source: USDA/FAS

## Japan Announces 2001 Agricultural Trade Figures

Agricultural imports rose 8.3 percent compared to the previous year. Imports of chicken broilers were down 8.0%, to 523,000 tons, but their value increased 11.6%.

Source: MAFF

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

<b>U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)</b>				
Week Ending May 18, 2002				
	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	391	263	7,022	4,591
Frozen	0	0	0	40
Dried	41	0	49	22
Total	432	263	7,071	4,653

<b>U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)</b>				
Week Ending May 18, 2002				
	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	81	159	1,969	1,849
Frozen	52	1	1,346	580
Dried	40	0	1,545	226
Total	173	160	4,860	2,655

**Inspected Shell Eggs**

<b>U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)</b>				
Week Ending May 18, 2002				
	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	17	0	1,078	87
Extra Large	3,770	1,660	8,098	14,881
Large	4,757	3,772	34,527	42,666
Medium	1,140	1,140	18,633	16,818
Ungraded	23,520	14,160	110,520	106,004
Misc	0	6,900	11,134	29,778
Total	33,204	27,632	183,990	210,234

/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.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 18-May-02  
(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	1,846	1,280	3,126
LAST WEEK	2,008	1,280	3,288
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,602	1,460	3,062
TO-DATE/2002	36,887	26,236	63,123
TO-DATE/2001	36,436	26,736	63,172

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	332	4	336
LAST WEEK	352	4	356
SAME WEEK YR AGO	509	0	509
TO-DATE/2002	6,500	28	6,528
TO-DATE/2001	10,152	148	10,300

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	2,178	1,284	3,462
LAST WEEK	2,360	1,284	3,644
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,111	1,460	3,571
TO-DATE/2002	43,387	26,264	69,651
TO-DATE/2001	46,588	26,884	73,472

SOURCE: USDA/AMS PLTRY PROGRAMS, MRKT NEWS BR.

**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.

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24-MAY-2002  
**CHICKEN** — PRICES — VOLUME —  
(Cents per Pound)

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

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

24-MAY-2002  
**CHICKEN** — PRICES — VOLUME —  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	12.00	12.00-13.00	144,400	-
WTD AVERAGE	12.00	12.80		
15-20%				
RANGE	11.00-12.00	10.00-13.00	1,639,600	326,400
WTD AVERAGE	11.20	10.51		
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

24-MAY-2002  
**CHICKEN** — PRICES — VOLUME —  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.50	-	41,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	15.50			

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24-MAY-2002  
**CHICKEN** — PRICES — VOLUME —  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	10.00-15.00	13.00-13.50	856,000	474,000
WTD AVERAGE	13.91	13.19		
15-20%				
RANGE	9.00-13.00	9.00-15.00	1,373,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	12.24	11.93		
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 24 MAY 2002.**

The undertone on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins was mostly fully steady for post holiday needs. Demand was fair to good for prompt shipments with interest consisting mostly of spot loads. Offerings were short to light and held with confidence. The frozen thigh meat market has split with product destined for Russia noted as strong, demand active and generally held in close hands. Trading for Russia was noted at 56 cents delivered and offers as high as 60 cents delivered. Frozen thigh meat trading for export destinations other than Russia was noted at 46.50-52, mostly 48-49 cents delivered port. Non-Russian export demand was fair to good with interest noted from Eastern Europe, Asia and Mexico. Domestic trading centered on moderately heavy volumes of 4-8 lb. breasts, a fair volume of frozen tom breast meat, balance light. Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts traded at 102 delivered October and plant grade non-basted 12-18 lb. breasts 95, thigh trim 31 cents delivered current. Export trading was heavy on frozen thigh meat, balance light to fair. For export: hen full-cut wings 22, ground drum meat 39-40, fresh thigh meat 52 cents delivered.

**FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	26.00-27.00		26.60	200	26.44	360
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	23.50	40	23.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS	29.00-30.00		29.36	364	29.44	416
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	14.00-16.50 46.50-56.00		15.13 48.94	160 1,532	13.55 50.14	400 2,086

**THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00		25.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	23.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS		W R	30.00 19.50	52 160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	12.25 49.00-58.00		12.25 54.41	160 338

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	26.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	23.50		23.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS	30.00	R	30.00 19.50	52 160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	13.00	T	13.00 52.00	80 40

**TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	26.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	23.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS		F R	29.67 19.50	312 160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	52.00	F	11.00 52.00	40 40

**MONDAY, MAY 20, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	26.50-27.00		26.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	23.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS		F R	29.67 19.50	312 160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	52.00	F	11.00 52.00	40 176

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.