

## TRADE HIGHLIGHTS

Recently, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations released its bi-annual *Food Outlook* report. According to the report, world meat production is expected to increase 1.4 percent in 2013. Despite reduced feed costs, prices are expected to remain high. World meat production during 2013 is forecast at 308.3 MMT, 1.4 percent more than 2012. Growth will be concentrated in developing countries. World beef production is expected to total 67.5 MMT, a little higher than 2012. In South America, cattle slaughter and supplies have been rising, particularly in Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay, following two years of rebuilding. In India, additional growth is expected as nearly half of all production goes to export. The U.S., the world's largest beef producer is projected to see a 4.0 percent decline due to decreasing slaughter. Canada is expected to see a 7.0 percent decline. On the other hand, Australia's beef production is expected to increase due to falling feed prices. World pork production during 2013 is forecast at a record 114.6 MMT, which is 1.7 percent higher than 2012, following several years of expansion. Strong consumer demand and government support policies are expected to result in China's production reaching 54.8 MMT, which is nearly half the world's production. Brazil is set to increase production due to improved prices. Steady growth is also anticipated in Mexico. For the second year, pork production in the EU is expected to see depressed production due to compliance with animal welfare requirements. In the U.S., lower feed costs and increase slaughter are expected to lead to a little growth. In Canada, a small decrease in production is expected. During 2013, world sheep and goat meat production is expected to total 13.7 MMT, 1.5 percent more than 2012. Sheep and goat meat production continues to show modest growth, following a period of stagnation. The largest producers are China and India. The main growth is expected to come from Australia and New Zealand. In Australia, sheep meat production began to increase in 2011 and is projected to continue. World meat trade during 2013 is forecast to reach 30.1 MMT, 1.1 percent more than 2012. This is a reduction in growth compared to 2012 and well below the rates seen in 2010 and 2011. The slowdown is due to improved supplies in many importing countries and falling production in some of the main exporting countries. World beef trade is predicted to total 8.4 MMT, 4.9 percent higher than 2012, despite prices at the highest levels ever. Consumer demand, rising incomes and a shortage of domestic supplies have contributed to the expansion in trade. Supplies in 2013 have been sourced mainly in Australia, followed by Uruguay, New Zealand, Canada and Argentina. Imports by Japan, Vietnam and Malaysia could increase moderately; while purchases by South Korea are anticipated to remain weak because of ample domestic supplies. Exports to Russia and the U.S., the two largest importers, are forecast to decrease as the result of high prices. Growth in exports is forecast for both Brazil and Australia in response to generally strong demand. Shipments are also expected to increase out of India and the U.S. Conversely, shipments by Canada and Mexico are forecast to decrease significantly. World pork trade during 2013 is forecast to decrease 2.1 percent from 2012 to 7.4 MMT. The decline is due to reduced production in some of the main exporting countries and a decrease in demand by several major importing countries. South Korea is forecast to see a substantial decline for the second consecutive year due to larger domestic stocks and lower domestic prices following a strong recovery of production after a foot and mouth disease (FMD) outbreak in 2011. Japan, the largest importer, is expected to cut imports by nearly 4.0 percent due to expanding domestic production and competition from poultry and beef. Imports by China are expected to increase 6.0 percent as domestic production has been unable to keep up with demand. Mexico and the U.S. are expected to see a decline in imports. As for exports, limited supplies in the EU, the U.S., Canada and Brazil are expected to result in a decline. During 2013, world sheep and goat meat trade is expected to total 1.0 MMT, 16.3 percent greater than 2012. Most of the increase is expected to come from China, where imports have risen significantly the past three years. Most of the world trade is supplied by Australia and New Zealand. Per capita meat consumption during 2013 is forecast at 43.1 KG, up from 43.0 KG in 2012. The complete report can be found on the FAO website at <http://www.fao.org/WAICENT/faoinfo/economic/giews/english/fo/index.htm>.

## TRADE HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

U.S. Red Meat Exports Including Variety Meats  
Beef & Veal Exports for October 2013

(Metric Tons)	Beef Cuts	Variety Meats	YTD* 2013	YTD* 2012	Percent Change
Japan	15,790	2,215	201,949	134,019	50.7%
Mexico	12,687	9,296	171,870	166,082	3.5%
S. Korea	8,978	531	85,474	101,185	-15.5%
Canada	13,850	892	148,519	144,487	2.8%
Egypt	643	10,590	114,749	113,852	0.8%
Hong Kong	15,280	123	99,877	51,999	92.1%
Russia	3	0	66	68,727	-99.9%
Taiwan	3,278	24	26,706	13,723	94.6%
All Others	7,678	5,615	119,992	155,909	-23.0%
<b>Total Exports</b>	<b>78,189</b>	<b>29,286</b>	<b>969,202</b>	<b>949,982</b>	<b>2.0%</b>

\*The year-to-date totals include variety meats.

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service/U.S. Census Bureau

during October rose 5.6 percent over the previous month to 18,005 MT. Year-to-date beef exports to Japan equaled 201,949 MT, 50.7 percent greater than last year. Japan was the largest beef export market for the U.S. with 20.8 percent of the total. U.S. beef exports to Mexico during October equaled 21,983 MT, which was 15.8 percent more than the previous month. Year-to-date beef exports to Mexico totaled 171,870 MT, which was 3.5 percent more than the previous month. During October, the U.S. exported 14,742 MT of beef to Canada. This was 6.2 percent higher than the previous month. Total year-to-date beef exports to Canada were up 2.8 percent over a year ago, amounting to 148,519 MT. Overall, U.S. total year-to-date beef and veal and beef variety meat exports equaled 969,202 MT, which was 2.0 percent more than the corresponding period a year ago.

During October, U.S. exports of pork cuts and pork variety meats totaled 183,404 MT. This was 11.9 percent more than the previous month but was 14.3 percent less than October 2012. More specifically, exports of fresh, chilled pork equaled 63,146 MT, which was up 14.2 percent over the previous month but was down 6.6 percent from October 2012. Exports of frozen pork equaled 65,872 MT, which was up 8.8 percent over the previous month but was down 24.1 percent from October 2012. During October, U.S. pork variety meat exports totaled 38,279 MT, which was 20.0 percent higher than September but was 15.1 percent lower than October 2012. Total year-to-date pork variety meat exports were 6.7 percent higher than last year, amounting to 359,029 MT. U.S. pork exports to Mexico during October rose 9.4 percent over the previous month to 53,869 MT. Year-to-date pork exports to Mexico totaled 489,894 MT, a little more than a year ago. Mexico was the leading U.S. pork export market with 28.4 percent of the total. During October, the U.S. exported 38,269 MT of pork to Japan. This was 16.9 percent greater than the previous month. Total year-to-date pork exports to Japan were 8.6 percent less than a year ago, amounting to 355,877 MT. Pork exports to China during October equaled 26,479 MT, which was down 3.1 percent from the previous month. Year-to-date pork exports to China totaled 268,459 MT, 2.4 percent lower than last year. Overall, U.S. total year-to-date exports of pork cuts and pork variety meats equaled 1,726,138 MT, 6.4 percent less than the same period a year ago.

U.S. Red Meat Exports Including Variety Meats  
Pork Exports for October 2013

(Metric Tons)	Pork Cuts	Variety Meats	YTD* 2013	YTD* 2012	Percent Change
Japan	37,389	880	355,877	389,162	-8.6%
Mexico	41,584	12,285	489,894	487,998	0.4%
Canada	17,602	1,187	189,119	192,198	-1.6%
S. Korea	4,680	738	74,138	119,135	-37.8%
China	13,817	12,661	268,459	274,951	-2.4%
Taiwan	732	390	16,323	14,437	13.1%
Russia	0	0	5,329	81,432	-93.5%
Hong Kong	4,793	3,984	68,949	64,598	6.7%
All Others	24,528	6,154	258,050	220,399	17.1%
<b>Total Exports</b>	<b>145,126</b>	<b>38,279</b>	<b>1,726,138</b>	<b>1,844,310</b>	<b>-6.4%</b>

\*The year-to-date totals include variety meats.

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service/U.S. Census Bureau

**TRADE HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)**

During October, U.S. beef and veal imports equaled 60,963 MT. This was 16.8 percent higher than September and was 28.2 percent higher than October 2012. More specifically, imports of fresh, chilled beef totaled 26,929 MT, which was up 10.5 percent over the previous month and was up 25.9 percent over October 2012. Imports of frozen beef totaled 30,355 MT, which was up 21.9 percent over the previous month and was up 26.5 percent over October 2012. During October, U.S. beef imports from Australia rose 20.5 percent over the previous month to 19,873 MT. Year-to-date beef imports from Australia totaled 170,214 MT, 6.9 percent below a year ago. Australia was the main provider of beef to the U.S. with 26.5 percent of the total imports. Beef imports from New Zealand during October equaled 8,220 MT, which was 37.5 percent higher than the previous month. Total year-to-date beef imports from New Zealand were 8.4 percent more than last year, amounting to 159,266 MT. During October, the U.S. imported 17,410 MT of beef from Canada. This was up 13.8 percent over the previous month. Year-to-date beef imports from Canada equaled 152,340 MT, which was 6.9 percent less than last year. Overall, U.S. total year-to-date beef and veal imports equaled 641,296 MT, which was a little higher than the corresponding period a year ago.

U.S. Red Meat Imports Excluding Variety Meats  
Beef & Veal Imports for October 2013

(Metric Tons)	Total Beef	YTD* 2013	YTD* 2012	Percent Change
Argentina	121	780	431	80.8%
Australia	19,873	170,214	182,832	-6.9%
Brazil	2,905	20,837	15,449	34.9%
Canada	17,410	152,340	163,717	-6.9%
Central America	3,488	34,502	37,939	-9.1%
Mexico	7,940	80,195	74,356	7.9%
New Zealand	8,220	159,266	146,978	8.4%
Uruguay	959	22,910	18,169	26.1%
All Others	46	251	107	134.4%
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>60,963</b>	<b>641,296</b>	<b>639,979</b>	<b>0.2%</b>

\*The year-to-date totals do not include variety meats.

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service/U.S. Census Bureau

U.S. Red Meat Imports Excluding Variety Meats  
Pork Imports for October 2013

(Metric Tons)	Total Pork	YTD* 2013	YTD* 2012	Percent Change
Canada	26,543	254,016	228,068	11.4%
Denmark	2,456	22,564	26,934	-16.2%
All Others	3,956	33,629	30,667	9.7%
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>32,954</b>	<b>310,208</b>	<b>285,669</b>	<b>8.6%</b>

\*The year-to-date totals do not include variety meats.

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service/U.S. Census Bureau

U.S. pork imports during October equaled 32,954 MT, which was up a little over the previous month and was up 14.8 percent over October 2012. During October, fresh, chilled pork imports totaled 21,686 MT, which was slightly less than the previous month but was 21.6 percent more than October 2012. Frozen pork imports totaled 7,177 MT, which was slightly less than the previous month but was 5.7 percent more than October 2012. During October, the U.S. imported 26,543 MT of pork from Canada, which was 3.5 percent lower than the previous month. Total year-to-date pork imports from Canada were 11.4 percent higher than last year, amounting to 254,016 MT. Canada was the largest supplier of pork to the U.S. with 81.9 percent of the total. Pork imports from Denmark during October rose 25.4 percent over the previous month to 2,456 MT. Year-to-date pork imports from Denmark totaled 22,564 MT, 16.2 percent less than a year ago. Overall, U.S. total year-to-date pork imports equaled 310,208 MT, which was 8.6 percent higher than the same period a year ago. Additional U.S. trade data can be found on the FAS website <http://www.fas.usda.gov/gats/>.

**NORTH AMERICA**

Recently, CanFax released Canada's current cattle on feed numbers of terminal feedlots with 1,000 or more head in the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. According to the statistics, cattle on feed on December 1, 2013 in Canada equaled 1,020,307 head. This was 5.9 percent higher than one year ago and was 1.1 percent higher than the five year average. During November, 256,648 head of cattle were placed on feed, which was 24.8 percent less than one year ago and was 12.9 percent less than the five year average. Steers placed on feed numbered 175,881 head, which accounted for 58.5 percent of the total placements. Heifers placed on feed totaled 124,772 head. More specifically, placements of feeder cattle weighing less than 600 pounds equaled 84,097 head, which was a little more than a year ago. Placements weighing 600 to 699 pounds totaled 70,606 head, 33.1 percent less than last year. Placements weighing 700 to 799 pounds were down 38.1 percent from a year ago, amounting to 31,819 head. Finally, feeder cattle placements weighing more than 800 pounds totaled 70,126 head, which was 30.5 percent lower than last year. In the meantime, Canada's fed cattle marketings during November fell 18.2 percent from one year ago to 112,998 head. Also, this was 17.6 percent lower than the five year average. To obtain the report, visit the CanFax website at <http://www.canfax.ca/>.



**PACIFIC RIM**

Recently, Japan's Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC) published October 2012 beef and pork import data for Japan. According to the statistics, Japan's beef imports during October rose 29.8 percent over the previous month to 45,321 MT. However, this was down 3.7 percent from October 2012. Specifically, imports of frozen beef totaled 27,971 MT, which was up 41.6 percent over the previous month but was down 3.8 percent from October 2012. Likewise, imports of fresh, chilled beef were 14.3 percent higher than the previous month but were 3.7 percent lower than October 2012, totaling 17,287 MT. Japan's beef imports from Australia during October equaled 23,920 MT. Although this was 41.6 percent more than the previous month, it was 15.9 percent less than October 2012. Total year-to-date beef imports from Australia equaled 236,752 MT, which was 11.8 percent below a year ago. Australia was the primary beef import market for Japan with 53.0 percent of the total. During October, Japan imported 17,050 MT of beef from the U.S, which was up 11.8 percent over September and was up 41.3 percent over October 2012. Year-to-date beef imports from the U.S. were 36.9 percent greater than last year, amounting to 155,630 MT. Beef imports from New Zealand during October rose 67.8 percent over the previous month to 1,619 MT. However, this was 13.0 percent less than October 2012. Year-to-date beef imports from New Zealand equaled 25,967 MT, 6.7 percent lower than last year. Overall, Japan's total year-to-date beef imports equaled 446,826 MT, which was 2.2 percent above the same period a year ago. During September, Japan's beef marketings equaled 65,984 MT, which was 7.2 percent lower than the previous month and was a little lower than a year ago. Imported beef marketings were down 2.1 percent from a year ago, amounting to 38,154 MT. Domestic beef marketings totaled 27,831 MT, 2.7 percent more than last year. Japan's beef stocks at the end of September equaled 130,284 MT, which was down 2.6 percent from the previous month but was up 18.2 percent over a year ago. Imported beef stocks totaled 117,004 MT, which was 21.4 percent higher than a year ago. Stocks of domestic beef were down 3.8 percent from last year, totaling 13,280 MT.

Japan's Beef Imports for October 2013

(Metric Tons)	Oct 2013	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	YTD Change
Total Beef*	45,321	446,826	437,407	2.2%
United States	17,050	155,630	113,657	36.9%
Australia	23,920	236,752	268,359	-11.8%
New Zealand	1,619	25,967	27,838	-6.7%
Chilled Total	17,287	176,146	177,557	-0.8%
Frozen Total	27,971	270,184	259,413	4.2%

\*Includes cheek, head &amp; cooked meats.

Source: Japan's Agriculture &amp; Livestock Industries Corporation

Japan's Pork Imports for October 2013

(Metric Tons)	Oct 2013	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	YTD Change
Total Pork*	66,740	613,177	655,140	-6.4%
United States	25,256	234,767	266,055	-11.8%
Denmark	10,430	94,263	101,310	-7.0%
Canada	14,297	117,092	144,757	-19.1%
Chilled Total	29,099	242,357	214,522	13.0%
Frozen Total	37,640	370,794	440,522	-15.8%

\*Includes edible offal.

Source: Japan's Agriculture &amp; Livestock Industries Corporation

During October, Japan's pork imports rose 12.3 percent over September to 66,740 MT. However, this was down 9.3 percent from October 2012. This was the highest single month volume since October 2012. More specifically, imports of frozen pork equaled 37,640 MT, which was up 5.3 percent over the previous month but was down 26.2 percent from October 2012. Imports of fresh, chilled pork equaled 29,099 MT, which was up 22.8 percent over the previous month and was up 28.8 percent over October 2012. During October, Japan imported 25,256 MT of pork from the U.S. This was 20.9 percent more than the previous month but was 12.1 percent less than October 2012. Total year-to-date pork imports from the U.S. were 11.8 percent below a year ago, amounting to 234,767 MT. The U.S. was the largest source for Japan's pork imports with 38.3 percent of the total. Pork imports from Canada during October totaled 14,297 MT, which was up 25.7 percent over the previous month but was down 14.2 percent from October 2012. Total year-to-date pork imports from Canada equaled 117,092 MT, 19.1 percent less than a year ago. During October, pork imports from Denmark fell slightly from the previous month to 10,430 MT. However, this was 4.5 percent more than October 2012. Year-to-date pork imports from Denmark totaled 94,263 MT, 7.0 percent less than last year. Overall, Japan's total year-to-date pork imports equaled 631,177 MT, 6.4 percent lower than the corresponding period a year ago. During September, Japan's pork marketings totaled 136,523 MT. This was a little higher than the previous month and was 7.3 percent higher than a year ago. Marketings of imported pork were up 3.2 percent over last year, amounting to 63,259 MT. Domestic pork marketings totaled 73,264 MT, which was 11.1 percent higher than a year ago. At the end of September, Japan's pork stocks totaled 162,662 MT. This was 3.0 percent lower than the previous month and was 9.3 percent lower than a year ago. Imported pork stocks equaled 141,652 MT, 9.8 percent less than a year ago. Stocks of domestic pork were down 5.8 percent from last year, amounting to 21,011 MT. Additional data is available on the ALIC website at [http://lin.alic.go.jp/alic/statis/dome/data2/e\\_nstatis.htm](http://lin.alic.go.jp/alic/statis/dome/data2/e_nstatis.htm).

## TRADE AND PRODUCTION STATISTICS

### U.S. Actual Slaughter under Federal Inspection

(# Head)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Cattle	628,830	555,868	30,140,370	30,588,259	-1.5%
Calves	15,578	12,839	701,979	708,601	-0.9%
Hogs	2,316,978	2,055,846	104,243,409	105,480,198	-1.2%
Sheep	42,922	37,385	1,981,263	1,882,362	5.3%
Goats	9,413	10,278	493,767	518,941	-4.9%

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/SJ\\_LS711.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/SJ_LS711.txt)

### U.S. Red Meat Production

(Million lbs)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Beef	504.1	449.2	23,933	24,105	-0.7%
Calf & Veal	2.2	1.9	102	108	-5.7%
Pork	493.6	436.6	21,550	21,690	-0.6%
Lamb/Mutton	2.9	2.5	136	139	-1.5%

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/SJ\\_LS711.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/SJ_LS711.txt)

### Imported Meat Passed for Entry in the U.S. by Country

(Metric Tons)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Fresh Beef	13,653	9,087	714,152	NA	---
Fresh Pork	8,230	7,002	351,831	NA	---
Goat	171	119	15,382	NA	---
Lamb	1,672	1,121	55,214	NA	---
Mutton	237	123	12,548	NA	---
Veal	705	143	12,445	NA	---

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News and FSIS

<http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/lswimpe.pdf>

### Canadian Federally Inspected Slaughter

(# Head)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Cattle	50,164	56,992	2,454,622	2,490,484	-1.4%
Calves	4,127	4,247	199,080	212,094	-6.1%
Sheep	3,109	3,177	156,647	148,770	5.3%
Hogs	419,916	421,113	18,870,571	19,211,784	-1.8%

Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

[http://www.agr.gc.ca/redmeat/index\\_eng.htm](http://www.agr.gc.ca/redmeat/index_eng.htm)

### U.S. Livestock Exports to Mexico

(# Head)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Str Ewes	1,381	700	28,553	0	---

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AL\\_LS635.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AL_LS635.txt)

### U.S. Livestock Imports from Mexico

(# Head)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Feeder Cattle	28,745	38,010	857,822	1,353,275	-36.6%

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AL\\_LS625.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/AL_LS625.txt)

### Canadian Slaughter Cattle Average Prices

(U.S. \$/cwt)	W/E		Year	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	Ago	
Alberta Steers	\$120.16	\$118.55	\$120.50	-0.3%
Alberta Heifers	\$119.18	\$118.50	\$120.09	-0.8%
Alberta Cows	\$66.49	\$65.61	\$68.07	-2.3%
Ontario Steers	\$113.63	\$115.78	\$116.01	-2.1%
Ontario Heifers	\$118.72	\$118.70	\$115.61	2.7%
Ontario Cows	\$65.86	\$65.59	\$62.33	5.7%

Source: CanFax

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WA\\_LS718.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WA_LS718.txt)

### Canadian Feeder Cattle Average Prices

(U.S. \$/cwt)	W/E		Year	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	Ago	
<i>Alberta Steers</i>				
500-600	\$153.21	\$152.79	\$158.55	-3.4%
600-700	\$145.55	\$145.10	\$144.82	0.5%
700-800	\$139.69	\$138.73	\$137.46	1.6%
<i>Alberta Heifers</i>				
500-600	\$151.81	\$133.10	\$141.30	7.4%
600-700	\$145.20	\$129.57	\$133.55	8.7%
700-800	\$139.65	\$124.20	\$127.76	9.3%

#### Saskatchewan Steers

500-600	\$134.10	\$152.46	\$151.67	-11.6%
600-700	\$128.92	\$142.75	\$142.95	-9.8%
700-800	\$125.34	\$136.69	\$137.24	-8.7%

#### Saskatchewan Heifers

500-600	\$132.88	\$132.31	\$134.95	-1.5%
600-700	\$126.48	\$125.98	\$129.26	-2.2%
700-800	\$120.78	\$121.86	\$124.71	-3.2%

Source: CanFax

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WA\\_LS718.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WA_LS718.txt)

### Canada Red Meat Production

(Million lbs)	W/E		YTD	YTD	Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Beef	40.1	45.2	2,019.6	2,060.0	-2.0%
Pork	88.5	92.3	4,092.0	4,173.8	-2.0%

Source: CanFax

<http://www.canfax.ca/>

### Exchange Rates

U.S. \$ Converted to Major Currencies	W/E		Year
	12/7/13	11/30/13	Ago
Australian Dollar	1.10	1.10	0.95
Brazilian Real	2.35	2.32	2.08
Canadian Dollar	1.07	1.06	0.99
Euro	0.731	0.735	0.767
Japanese Yen	102.24	102.35	82.41
Mexican Peso	13.04	13.08	12.91
New Zealand Dollar	1.22	1.23	1.20
South Korean Won	1056.5	1057.6	1082.1

Source: OANDA

<http://www.oanda.com/converter/classic>

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### Australia's Cattle, Lamb & Sheep Slaughter

(# Head)	W/E		YTD		Percent Change
	12/7/13	11/30/13	2013	2012	
Cattle	161,930	157,148	7,001,494	6,268,268	11.7%
Calves	5,759	5,146	503,572	530,850	-5.1%
Lamb	374,737	375,265	16,564,681	16,037,576	3.3%
Sheep	180,482	178,590	7,009,201	4,297,455	63.1%

*Source: National Livestock Reporting Service*

### Japanese Monthly Retail Pork Prices

(U.S. \$/cwt)	Oct-13	Oct-12	Percent Change
<i>Domestic Pork</i>			
Normal Shoulder	\$607.70	\$724.28	-16.1%
Normal Loin	\$1,136.53	\$1,396.82	-18.6%
Normal Ham	\$742.23	\$919.72	-19.3%
Bargain Loin	\$807.17	\$988.70	-18.4%
<i>Imported Pork</i>			
Normal Loin	\$677.28	\$839.24	-19.3%
Bargain Loin	\$449.97	\$546.08	-17.6%

*Source: Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation*

[http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WA\\_LS683.txt](http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/WA_LS683.txt)

### U.S. Rendered Products Exports

(Metric Tons)	Oct	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	Percent Change
Edible Tallow	4,701	59,258	53,691	10.4%
Ined Meatmeal Tankge	22,535	218,878	214,721	1.9%
Inedible Tallow, cwg	44,467	308,527	412,033	-25.1%
Lard	3,436	23,376	19,657	18.9%
Oth Ined an Fats & Oil	23,253	214,654	229,613	-6.5%

*Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service*

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gats>

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SOURCES INCLUDE:

- USDA Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News (LPGMN)
- USDA Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)
- USDA Economic Research Service (ERS)
- USDA Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)
- USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)
- Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
- CanFax
- Statistics Canada
- Agriculture, Fisheries, and Forestry - Australia (DAFF)
- Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA)
- Australian Lot Feeders' Association (ALFA)
- New Zealand's Beef + Lamb (B+LNZ)
- Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC)
- Korea International Trade Association (KITA)
- Argentina's Agriculture Food, Health and Quality (SENASA)
- Uruguay's National Meat Institute (INAC)
- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- Various News Services

### U.S. Prices for Mexico Feeder Cattle Imports

(U.S. \$/cwt, FOB)	W/E		Year Ago
	12/7/13	11/30/13	
<i>Feeder Steers, Medium &amp; Large, 1 &amp; 2</i>			
300-400 lbs	\$184-\$198	\$184-\$198	\$170-\$184
400-500 lbs	\$168-\$181	\$168-\$181	\$155-\$168
500-600 lbs	\$152-\$164	\$152-\$164	\$138-\$150
<i>Feeder Heifers, Medium &amp; Large 1 &amp; 2</i>			
400-500 lbs	\$145-\$157	\$147-\$157	\$135-\$145

*Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News*

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### U.S. Meats Supply and Use

(Million Pounds)	(Dec Projection)		Percent Change
	2014	2013	
<i>Beef</i>			
Beginning Stocks	550	608	-9.5%
Production	24,288	25,760	-5.7%
Imports	2,265	2,254	0.5%
Total Supply	27,103	28,622	-5.3%
Exports	2,310	2,504	-7.7%
Disappearance	24,268	25,568	-5.1%
Total Use	26,578	28,072	-5.3%
Ending Stocks	525	550	-4.5%
<i>Pork</i>			
Beginning Stocks	600	625	-4.0%
Production	23,922	23,237	2.9%
Imports	880	876	0.5%
Total Supply	25,402	24,738	2.7%
Exports	5,180	4,974	4.1%
Disappearance	19,622	19,164	2.4%
Total Use	24,802	24,138	2.8%
Ending Stocks	600	600	0.0%

*Source: USDA Economic Research Service*

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/>

### Japanese Monthly Retail Beef Prices

(U.S. \$/cwt)	Oct-13	Oct-12	Percent Change
<i>Australia</i>			
Chuck Roll	\$913.87	\$1,172.64	-22.1%
Brisket	\$1,015.92	\$1,166.89	-12.9%
Sirloin	\$1,516.92	\$1,850.93	-18.0%
Round	\$825.73	\$908.22	-9.1%
<i>Wagyu</i>			
Chuck	\$2,917.88	\$3,471.93	-16.0%
Brisket	\$2,959.63	\$3,523.67	-16.0%
Sirloin	\$5,348.67	\$6,593.22	-18.9%
Round	\$2,927.15	\$3,397.20	-13.8%

*Source: Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation*

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