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US Paw and Feet Exports

The US shipped a total of 91,564 MT of paws and feet from January to April in 2010, which is about 30% lower than a year ago at this time. Typically the US ships most of its chicken paws and feet to China and Hong Kong, which comprised about 98% of total US paw and feet exports in 2009.

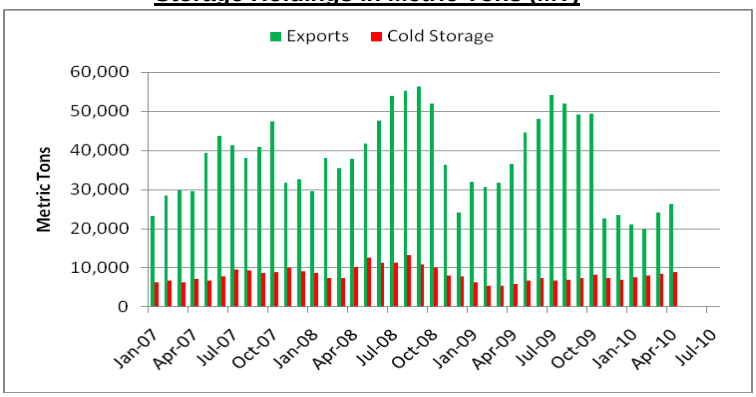
In the first four months of 2010, the US shipped about 91% of its paw and feet exports to Hong Kong and China compared with 97% in 2009 (-6%). Over this period, US paw and feet exports increased to Hong Kong (+338.4%), Vietnam (+216.4%), Philippines (+12.6%), Japan (+67.0%), and to the Leeward-Windward Islands (+472.4%) from a year ago.

Most of the changes can be attributed to ongoing issues between the US and China stemming back to Section 272 of the US Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2009, which prohibited the use of funds to establish or implement any US measures that would allow imports of poultry products from China, as well as other issues relating to the value of the Chinese Yuan, accusations of protectionism, US duties levied on Chinese-made low-end tires, steel pipes, movies, and books.

Back in February, China imposed preliminary import duties on US poultry effective February 13, 2010. A list of 35 exporters was released citing varying duties with some unlisted companies paying as high as 105.4%. On April 28, 2010 China levied an additional anti-subsidy duty of 31.4% on some poultry products on top of the anti-dumping duties from February. Many typically revert to sending product to China through gray channels (e.g. Hong Kong, Vietnam, etc.) during such times until it becomes prohibitory or unprofitable. Now many wait to see how the US will respond to the World Trade Organization's (WTO) recent ruling, which was in China's favor, regarding China's anti-dumping case against the US filed April 17, 2009.

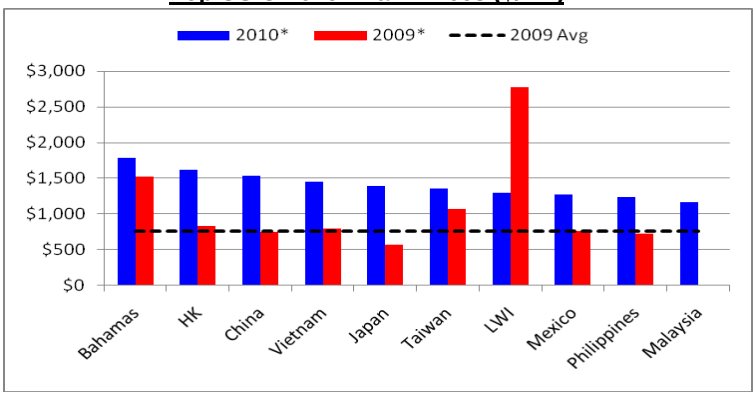
Source: Department of Commerce, US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA FAS/World Trade Organization/news wires

Comparison of US Paws Exports versus US Paw Cold Storage Holdings in Metric Tons (MT)



Source: USDA NASS/Department of Commerce, US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA FAS

Top US Chicken Paw Prices ($/MT)



Note: Note 2009 and 2010* data is from January-April, whereas the US 2009 Average is data from January-December. Source: Department of Commerce, US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA FAS*

Top US Paw Export Destinations by Volume (MT)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2009*	2010*	%
HK	27,617	37,592	73,878	86,090	15,333	67,213	338.4%
China	153,593	374,705	421,025	378,804	111,763	15,846	-85.8%
Vietnam	426	1,776	3,970	3,312	2,095	6,629	216.4%
Philippines	267	4,511	5,311	3,435	1,128	1,270	12.6%
Japan	91	317	449	613	241	402	67.0%
Taiwan	1,457	2,537	821	516	144	97	-32.5%
Malaysia	0	0	0	49	0	49	
Mexico	307	331	932	666	282	38	-86.7%
LWI*	2	26	35	43	3	17	472.4%
Bahamas	17	77	0	5	5	2	-63.0%
Other	23,812	4,425	2,315	982	51	0	-99.8%
Total	207,589	426,297	508,735	474,514	131,044	91,564	-30.1%

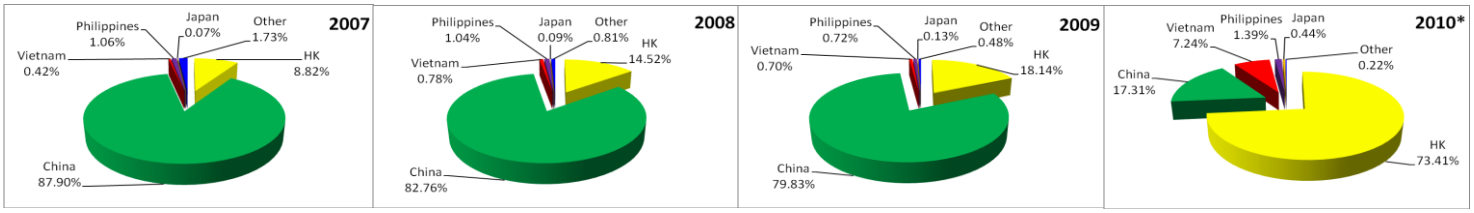
Note: 2009 and 2010* Data from January-April. % = Percentage Change. HK = Hong Kong. LWI = Leeward-Windward Islands.*
Source: Department of Commerce, US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA FAS

Top US Paw Export Destinations by Value (Thousand Dollars)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2009*	2010*	%
HK	24,082	24,335	49,043	72,957	12,816	108,926	749.9%
China	129,420	235,779	280,256	279,325	83,595	24,259	-71.0%
Vietnam	291	1,521	2,933	2,876	1,659	9,644	481.3%
Philippines	177	4,282	3,991	3,119	810	1,565	93.2%
Japan	67	271	274	390	138	558	304.3%
Taiwan	1,005	1,899	611	466	154	131	-14.9%
Malaysia	0	0	0	55	0	58	
Mexico	241	200	576	592	212	48	-77.4%
LWI*	6	34	29	35	8	21	162.5%
Bahamas	20	57	0	8	8	4	-50.0%
Other	18,692	3,067	1,786	700	66	1	-98.5%
Total	174,001	271,445	339,499	360,523	99,466	145,215	46.0%

Note: 2009 and 2010* Data from January-April. % = Percentage Change. HK = Hong Kong. LWI = Leeward-Windward Islands.*
Source: Department of Commerce, US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA FAS

Percentage of US Paw Exports by Volume



Note: All data is January-December except for 2010*, which only includes exports from January-April. Source: AliceWeb Mercosul

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INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS – U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE

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

Week Ending June 26, 2010			Year-To-Date	
Type	2010	2009 /1	2010 /2	2009
Liquid	0	290	1,933	5,319
Frozen	40	0	40	0
Dried	0	0	209	303
Total	40	290	2,182	5,622

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

Week Ending June 26, 2010			Year-To-Date	
Liquid	580	332	10,153	8,298
Frozen	4	4	204	192
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	584	336	10,357	8,490

Inspected Shell Eggs

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

Week Ending June 26, 2010			Year-To-Date	
	2010	2009 /1	2010 /2	2009
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	3,930	3,650	39,776	28,193
Large	2,860	2,595	56,565	71,032
Medium	1,740	1,260	24,492	28,200
Ungraded	2,578	8,520	93,911	132,025
Misc	0	1,560	0	5,268
Total	11,108	17,585	214,744	264,718

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.
/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Data Source:Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

WEEKLY U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

Week ending 26-JUNE-10

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,284	1,459	2,743
Last Week	1,582	1,380	2,962
Same week yr ago	1,422	1,405	2,827
To-date/2010*	36,437	33,954	70,391
To-date/2009*	32,496	36,868	69,364

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	317	0	317
Last Week	420	24	444
Same week yr ago	366	0	366
To-date/2010*	9,180	202	9,382
To-date/2009*	7,187	19	7,206

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID,Poultry Section

Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

Thousands	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,601	1,459	3,060
Last Week	2,002	1,404	3,406
Same week yr ago	1,788	1,405	3,193
To-date/2010*	45,617	34,156	79,773
To-date/2009*	39,683	36,887	76,570

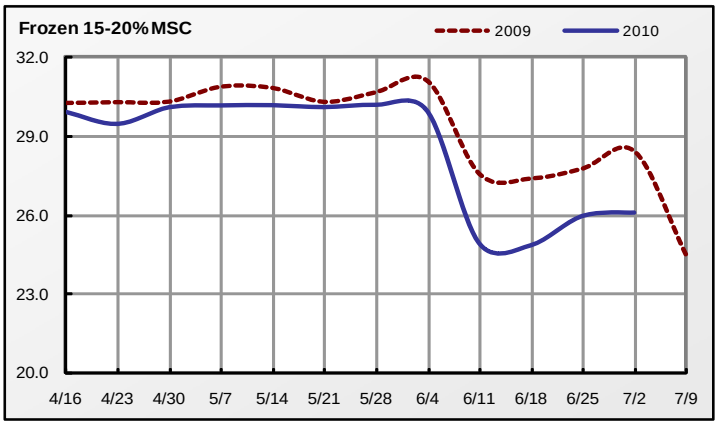
Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NATIONAL MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equiv., negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb quantities, cents/lb; delivery within 2 weeks.) Fresh and frozen 15-20% MSC price trends were steady to lower with the balance of fat contents mostly steady. Supplies of fresh and frozen 15-20% continued moderate to heavy. Other fat contents were moderate. Schedules varied due to the upcoming holiday weekend. Demand on frozen 15-20% was light to moderate with the heaviest trading going into export channels. Export and domestic demand on fresh 15-20% was light. MSC moved best into countries in the Caribbean and Central America. Market activity remained slow to moderate. Many reporting that the Independence Day holiday has caused difficulties with the availability of transportation. Supplies of raw materials were moderate to heavy. Frame values remained steady to weak with trading levels ranging 6.5-10 cents FOB, mostly 8 cents FOB.

Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

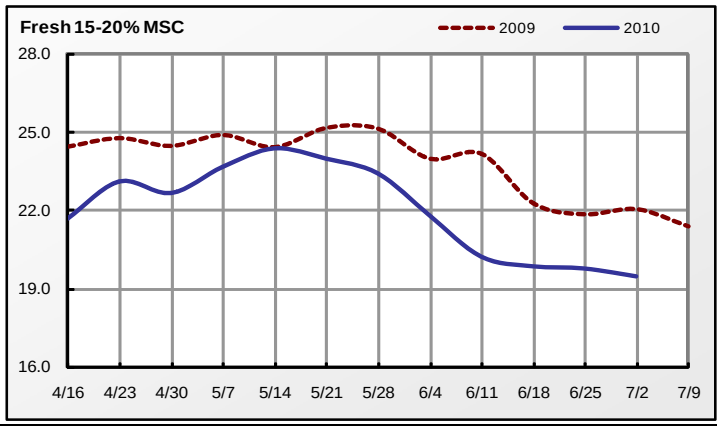
	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	2-Jul-10	Last Week	Last Year	2-Jul-10	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	24.00		-	26.00	26.00	25.00-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	24.00		-	26.00	26.00	25.84
Volume Traded	270	-	-	326	404	399
Volume Exported	270	-	-	204	200	55
15-20%						
Price Range	20.00 - 30.25	23.00 - 32.00	22.00-34.00	18.00 - 26.00	18.00 - 26.00	17.00-28.00
Wtd Avg Price	26.07	25.94	28.42	19.46	19.77	22.04
Volume Traded	1,968	1,695	1,151	3,109	3,024	3,473
Volume Exported	1,928	1,451	991	245	163	1,877
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	20.00	-
Wtd Avg Price			-	22.00	20.00	-
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	-
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Jun 2010	May 2010	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	May 2010	Jun 2009
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	-	32.00	-	26.13	26.28	28.55
Volume Traded	-	40	-	866	718	1,233
Volume Exported	-	-	-	305	100	216
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	26.22	30.15	28.18	20.44	23.90	23.08
Volume Traded	7,079	7,357	6,088	13,264	15,816	12,262
Volume Exported	6,499	6,645	5,371	653	2,407	4,692
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.60	22.00	22.00
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	204	286
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.



NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 02 JULY, 2010.

The market tone on bulk parts was steady to instances weak with wings mostly steady. Demand and offerings were light to moderate and slowed due to the upcoming holiday and trucking availability. White meat market was steady to fully steady, instances firm and only lightly tested. The market on thigh meat was steady to barely steady with no sales. Demand was limited with offerings light to moderate. Mechanically separated turkey market ranged barely steady to weak. Demand was light. Offerings of fresh MST were moderate to heavy. Market activity was mixed and ranged from inactive to moderate. For domestic: fresh tom drums 67 cents to the Border.

EXPORT TRADING FRIDAY, JULY 02, 2010	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	70.00-71.25		70.63	216	71.78	864
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	68.50	108	68.50	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	91.00		91.00	120	90.32	1,260
TAILS		M	43.69	174	43.69	174
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	118.00	108	117.57	376

EXPORT TRADING THURSDAY, JULY 01, 2010	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	71.00	108
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	68.50	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	91.00	120
TAILS		M	43.69	174
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	118.00	108

EXPORT TRADING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2010	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	71.00		71.00	108
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	68.50	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	91.00		91.00	120
TAILS		M	43.69	174
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	118.00	108

EXPORT TRADING TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 2010	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	72.40	540
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	68.50		68.50	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	87.00-91.00		89.00	240
TAILS		M	43.69	174
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	118.00		118.00	108

EXPORT TRADING MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2010	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	71.00-73.00		72.40	540
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	89.00-91.50		90.52	780
TAILS	43.00-44.00		43.69	174
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	117.00-118.00		117.40	268

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.