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Russia

Russia's Implementation of Its WTO Obligations

On August 15, 2013 the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) announced the interagency Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC) it is seeking public comment to assist USTR in preparing for its annual report to Congress on Russia's implementation of its obligations as a Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO). USTR will be convening a public hearing on September 27, 2013 in Washington DC.

Consistent with other provisions in P.L. 112-208, in December 2013, USTR will submit the first annual report assessing Russia's implementation of the WTO Agreement, as well as Russia's accession to and implementation of the Information Technology Agreement and the Agreement on Government Procurement.

Back in June 2013 USTR submitted its first annual "Report on WTO Enforcement Actions: Russia" to Congress. The Report highlights areas in which USTR has raised concerns, both bilaterally and multilaterally, about Russia's compliance with its WTO commitments. According to USTR, this report was prepared pursuant to section 201(b) of the Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Sergei Magnitskiy Rule of Law Accountability Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-208), which requires the U.S. Trade Representative to submit a report to the Committee on Finance of the U.S. Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the U.S. House of Representatives describing the enforcement actions taken by USTR against Russia to ensure Russia's full compliance with its commitments as a Member of the WTO, including any commitments under agreements with members of the Working Party on the accession of Russia to the WTO.

Draft Law on Country of Origin Labeling

On August 1, 2013 Russia's Liberal Democratic Party introduced to the State Duma a draft law that would mandate detailed country-of-origin labeling requirements for all meat products. In particular, the law proposes a requirement that meat manufacturers include a label on the consumer packaging of meat and meat products, including poultry, that contains a short name of the country of origin for all meat ingredients. Before the law can be implemented it must first go through the State Duma legislative process, which resumes September 1, 2013. Such a law could take at least two months to be ratified, provided it is supported by the Duma's United Russia Party majority. As of August 20, 2013 USDA FAS/Moscow does not believe the WTO had been notified of the measure.

Disease

In August 2013, the Moscow environmental prosecutor's office ordered the department of environment protection and several municipal agencies to investigate the deaths of pigeons and other birds in Moscow. The Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance have found some cases of Salmonella infection. Avian influenza and parrot fever have not been found; however the birds are still being tested for other diseases such as Newcastle disease. The Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance did note Moscow has become a source of Newcastle disease.

Broiler

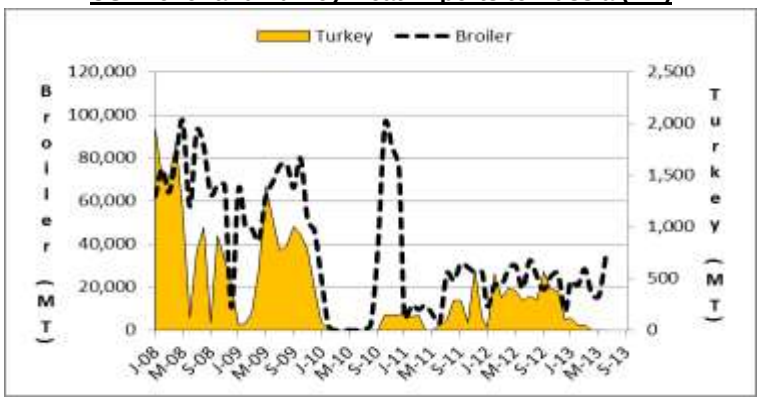
Domestic broiler production is forecast to reach 3.3 MMT (million metric tons) in 2014 and 3.05 MMT in 2013. Broiler meat production increases stem from government support measures and growth in domestic grain production in 2013 resulting in lower feed prices. In March 2013, Russia's Ministry of Agriculture approved the State Program for the Development of Poultry Production (2013-2015 Poultry Program) and RUB 55.2 billion ($1.7 billion USD) to be used to improve the national food security situation by implementing a package of priority measures to ensure the sustainable and competitive development of the domestic Russian poultry industry. Imports are projected to decline to 530,000 MT in 2014 versus imports in 2013 at 540,000 MT. Consumption is projected to grow about 6% in 2014 due to rising incomes and competitive prices for broiler meat against competing red meats.

Turkey

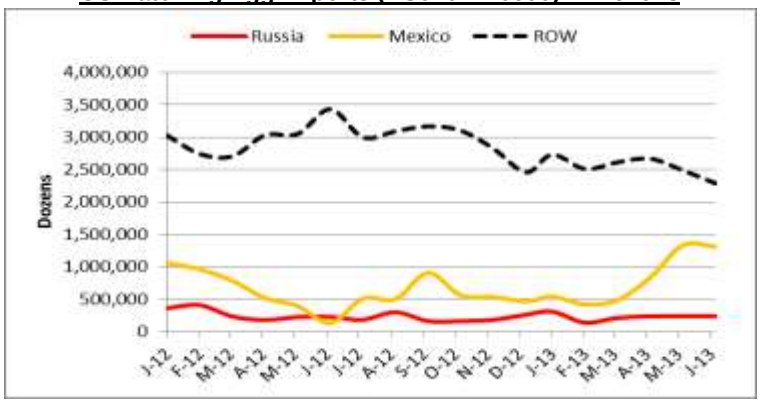
Production is forecast 5% higher to 105,000 MT and 100,000 MT in 2013. Over the past 10 years domestic turkey production has increased 170% and imports have decreased 150%. Imports of turkey meat are expected to remain unchanged in 2014 at 14,000 MT and forecasts were lowered for 2013. Consumption is projected to rise 5% in 2014, whereas consumption in 2013 dropped 9% as many Russian processors were using more low-cost broiler products as their input of choice rather than frozen turkey products.

Source: Federal Register: Vol. 78, No. 158 - Thursday, August 15, 2013, Notices / Office of the United States Trade Representative: Report on WTO Enforcement Actions: Russia, June 2013 - http://www.ustr.gov/sites/default/files/06192013%20Russia%20WTO%20Enforcement%20Report.pdf / Office of the United States Trade Representative / USDA FAS Gain Report RS1354 / USDA FAS Gain Report RS1351 / Promed / News Wires

US Broiler and Turkey Meat Exports to Russia (MT)



US Hatching Egg Exports (HS0407110000) in Dozens



Note: All data is January-December except 2013, which is January-June. Source: Department of Commerce, US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA FAS*

Russia's Poultry Situation (1,000 Metric Tons (MT)

BROILER	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Production	1,410	1,680	2,060	2,310	2,575	2,830	2,950
Imports	1,230	1,166	929	656	463	560	580
Exports	2	5	7	9	25	69	80
Dom. Cons.	2,638	2,841	2,982	2,957	3,013	3,321	3,450
TURKEY							
Production	30	39	31	70	90	100	105
Imports	75	68	41	35	27	20	20
Dom. Cons.	105	107	72	105	117	120	125

Note: Dom.Cons.=Domestic Consumption. Source: USDA FAS, PSD Online, Official USDA Estimates

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

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

Week Ending Aug 31, 2013 Year-To-Date*

Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Liquid	192	48	2,543	823
Frozen	0	0	40	0
Dried	0	0	206	99
Total	192	48	2,789	922

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

Week Ending Aug 31, 2013 Year-To-Date*

Type	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Liquid	46	202	7,746	9,675
Frozen	59	4	1,010	871
Dried	0	0	4	0
Total	105	206	8,760	10,546

INSPECTED SHELL EGGS

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

Week Ending Aug 31, 2013 Year-To-Date*

	2013	2012 /1	2013 /2	2012
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	3,510	2,820	83,301	65,261
Large	6,740	7,680	169,164	130,726
Medium	510	780	21,134	22,800
Ungraded	13,380	0	206,589	83,324
Misc	0	0	0	1,620
Total	24,140	11,280	480,188	303,731

/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

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

Week Ending Aug 31, 2013 (Preliminary)

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	1,790	1,699	3,489
Last Week	1,626	1,788	3,414
Same week yr ago	1,720	1,770	3,490
To-date/2013*	54,259	51,878	106,137
To-date/2012*	54,055	56,259	110,314

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	114	0	114
Last Week	270	0	270
Same week yr ago	245	0	245
To-date/2013*	12,159	0	12,159
To-date/2012*	9,415	36	9,451

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

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----------Thousands----------		
Head	1,904	1,699	3,603
Last Week	1,896	1,788	3,684
Same week yr ago	1,965	1,770	3,735
To-date/2013*	66,418	51,878	118,296
To-date/2012*	63,470	56,295	119,765

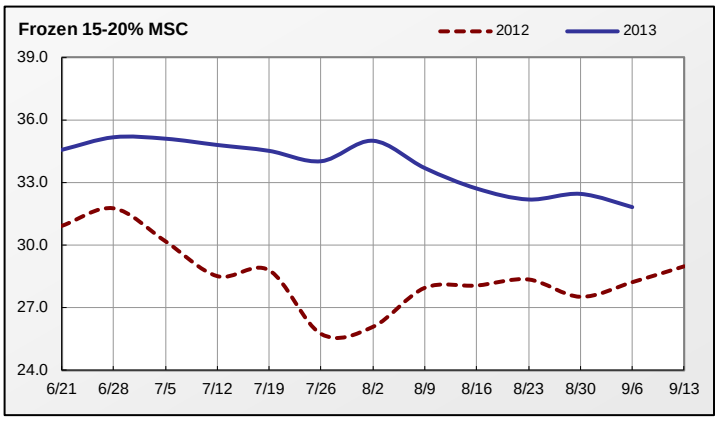
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NATIONAL MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN (F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices of MSC are trending steady to weak on all fat contents with a weak undertone. Domestic and export demand is light to moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Schedules are reduced due to the Labor Day holiday. Now that the last hurrah of the season has come and gone for MSC, many anticipate the market to follow traditional market patterns. Industry begins to prepare for the start of contract season even though no official negotiations will take place for a few more weeks. In the meantime, all market developments are being monitored and taken into account, while future positions are being strategized. Market activity is slow to moderate. Raw material supplies are mostly moderate to heavy. Frame prices are steady to weak with trading levels between 12-15.75 cents FOB.

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

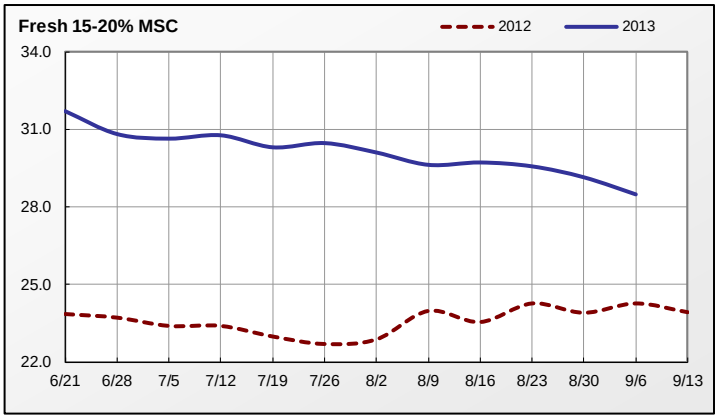
	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	6-Sep-13	Last Week	Last Year	6-Sep-13	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	-	-	30.00	31.00 - 32.00	31.00 - 32.00	24.00-26.00
Wtd Avg Price			30.00	31.67	31.67	25.33
Volume Traded	-	-	40	122	122	122
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	29.00 - 37.00	29.00 - 37.00	26.00-30.00	22.00 - 33.00	25.00 - 34.00	23.00-27.00
Wtd Avg Price	31.83	32.46	28.23	28.49	29.15	24.27
Volume Traded	1,532	1,596	1,955	3,362	3,302	4,570
Volume Exported	1,012	1,170	1,755	898	979	694
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	82	82
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



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

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Aug 2013	Jul 2013	Aug 2012	Aug 2013	Jul 2013	Aug 2012
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	33.00	34.00	30.00	31.80	32.65	25.65
Volume Traded	80	40	40	816	755	877
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	33.04	34.61	27.43	29.62	30.56	23.70
Volume Traded	7,232	5,020	11,085	13,676	12,301	21,571
Volume Exported	6,036	4,740	10,205	1,877	1,142	1,468
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.20
Volume Traded	-	-	-	326	245	408
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

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



Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News (www.ams.usda.gov/lpsmarketnewspage)

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS

INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 06 SEPTEMBER 2013.

Tom bulk parts was steady to firm. Demand was in a full range from light to good. Offerings was light. The market on white meat and white trims was steady to firm. Demand was moderate to good. Offerings was light. Thigh meat market was steady to firm, best for fresh. Demand moderate. Offerings light. Trading was slow to moderate. For domestic: fresh scapula 136-145.25, fresh tom full-cut wings 60-62 cents, fresh tom necks 40 cents, frozen tails 54-56 cents, frozen grade A breast non basted 8-10 lbs. 135 cents, 12-16 lbs. 135-143 cents delivered.

EXPORT TRADING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2013	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	92.00	216	92.00	376
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	67.00	108	60.75	216
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	62.00	40	61.74	1,242
TAILS		T	56.90	60	56.90	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		R	37.50	80	37.50	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	116.00	80	115.98	122

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2013	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	92.00	216
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	67.00	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	62.00		62.00	40
TAILS		T	56.90	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	37.00-38.00		37.50	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	116.00		116.00	80

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2013	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	92.00		92.00	216
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	67.00		67.00	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	60.00-66.00		60.79	932
TAILS		T	56.90	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		W	38.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	116.00		116.00	40

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	92.00		92.00	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	52.00-57.00		54.50	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	65.00		65.00	270
TAILS	56.00-57.00		56.90	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		W	38.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	115.00		115.00	2

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2013	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS				
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	**No Trading Reported Due to Labor Day Holiday**			
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):
M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R-THURSDAY F=FRIDAY
2/ 15-20% fat with skin added.