North American Trade in An Era of Increasing Regulation & Market Disruption

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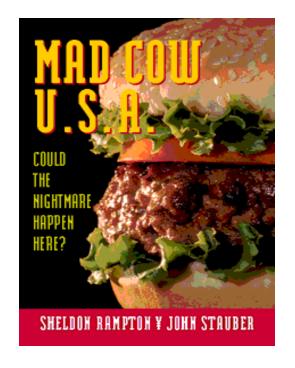
Food Safety & Security Issues Disrupt Trade & Market Integration

- Bovine Spongiform
 Encephalopathy & Avian Influenza
- Issues Related to Genetically Modified Crops & Foods
- Bioterrorism Act Implementation





Mad Cows & Other Monsters!!







Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy

- December 23, 2003 Dairy Cow Tests Positive for BSE
- Mega Markets Closed
 - Japan, Mexico, Korea (80%)
- Canada (10%) Reopened 1/22/04
- March 3, 2004: Mexico Opens Market to Deboned Meat from Cattle < 30 months
- Korea & Japan Still Closed
- U.S. Implementing Animal ID System
- U.S. Market Still Closed to Canadian Cattle

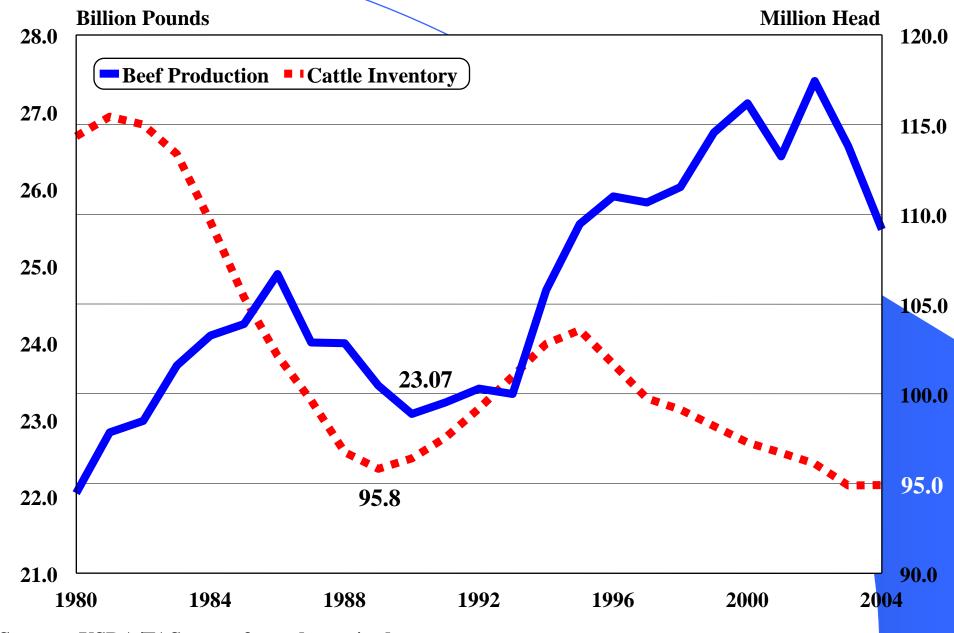
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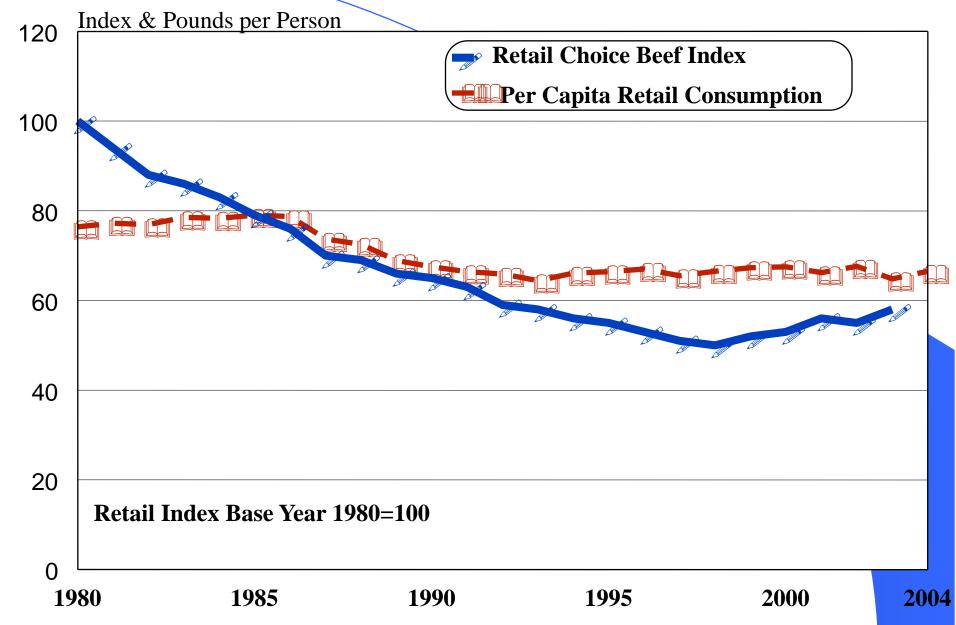


U.S. Beef Production & Cattle Inventory



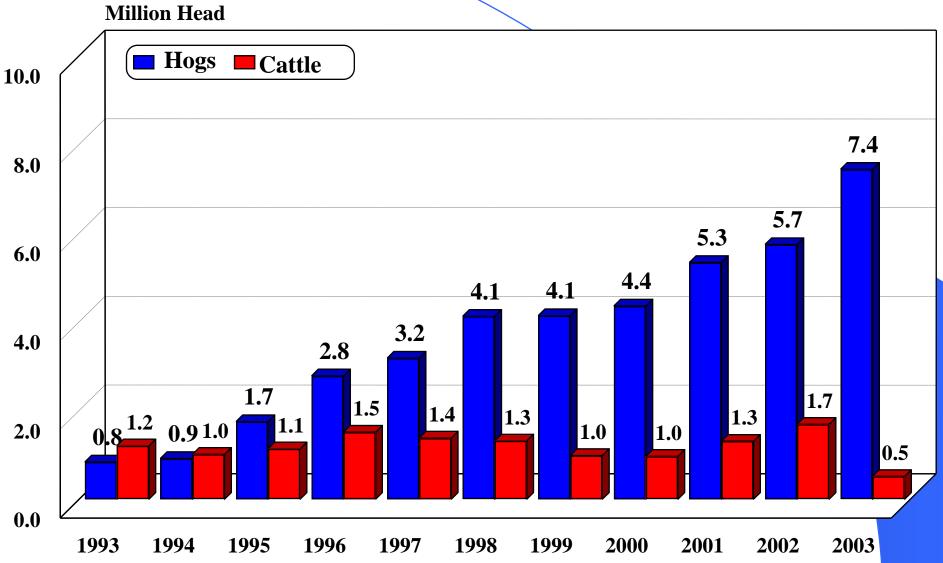
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US Beef Demand



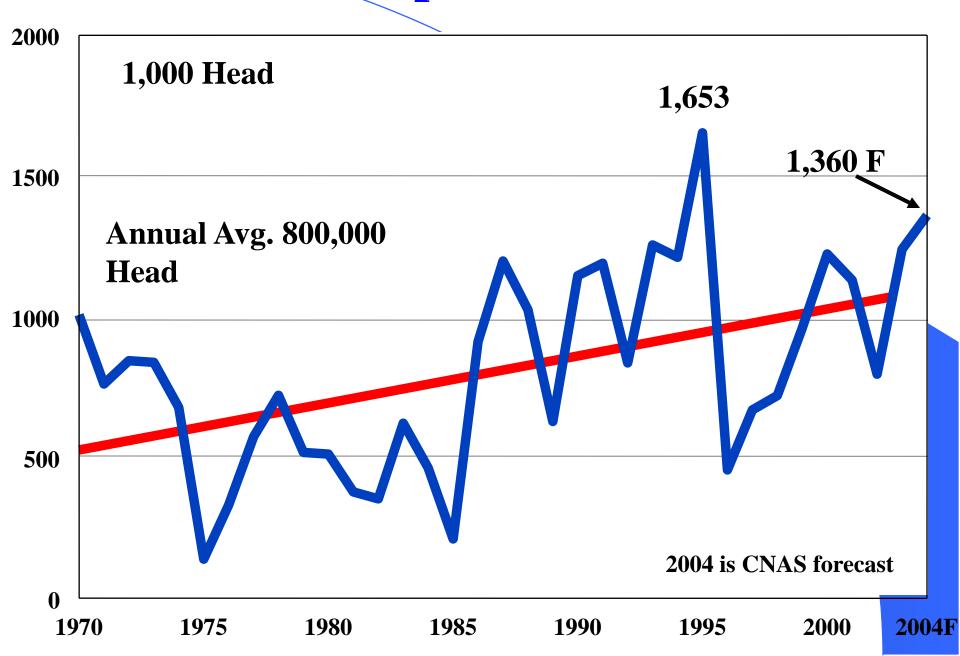
Livestock Marketing Information Center & ERS, USDA.

Canadian Exports of Live Cattle and Hogs to the United States, 1993 - 2003

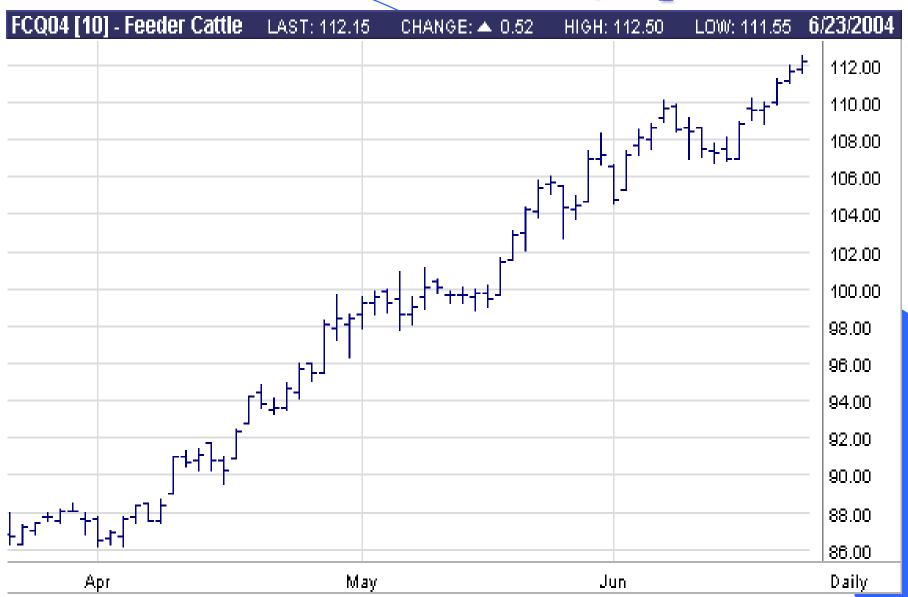


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US Cattle Imports from Mexico



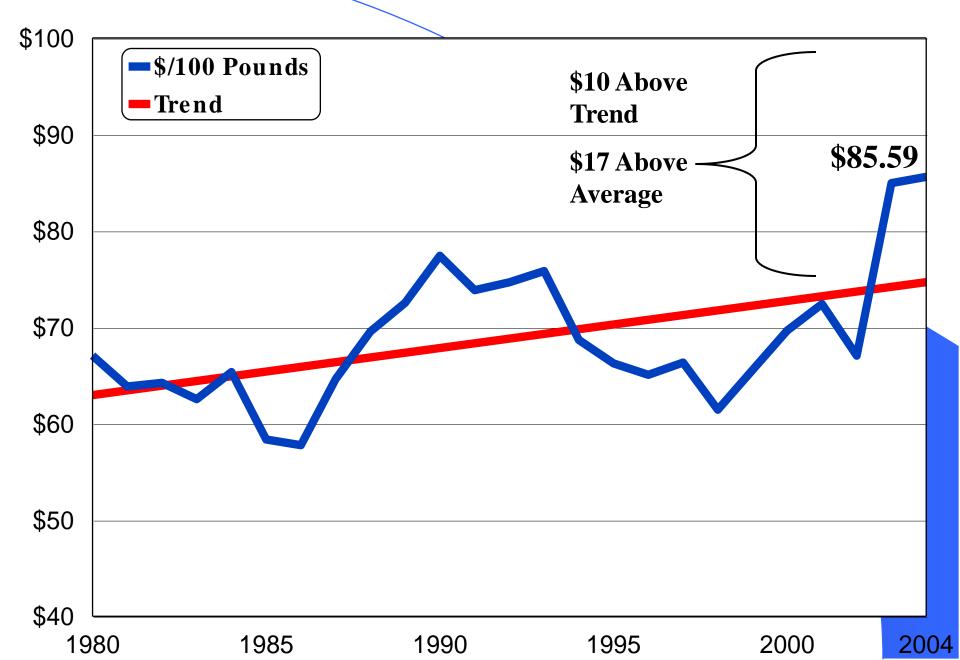
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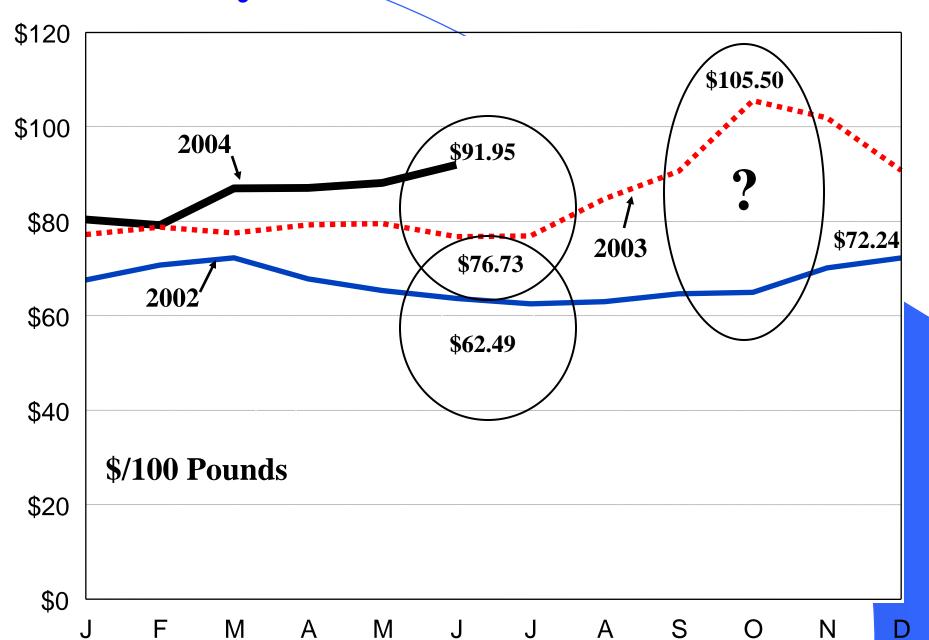
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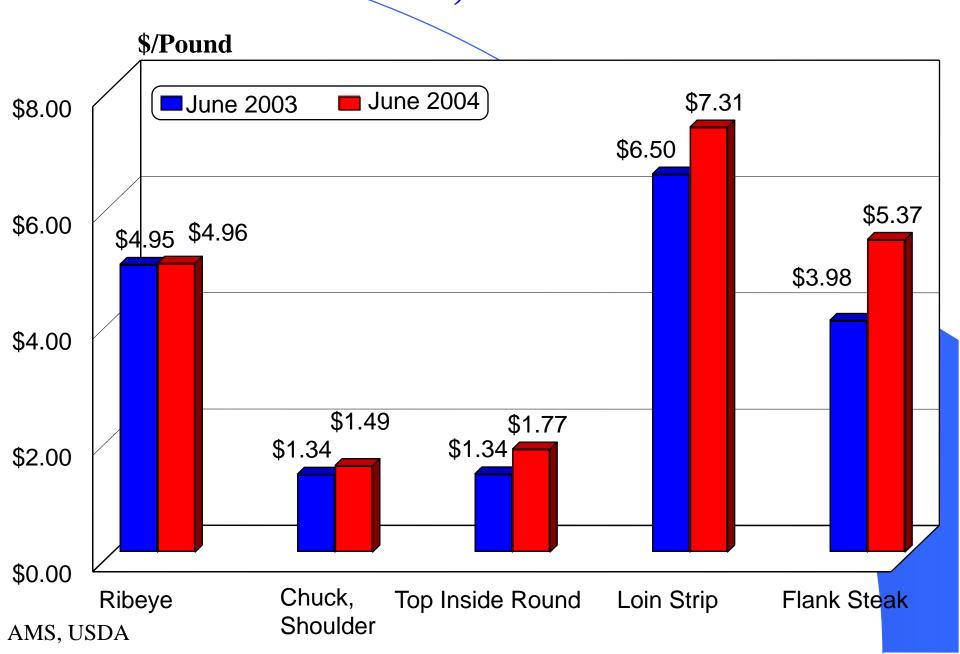
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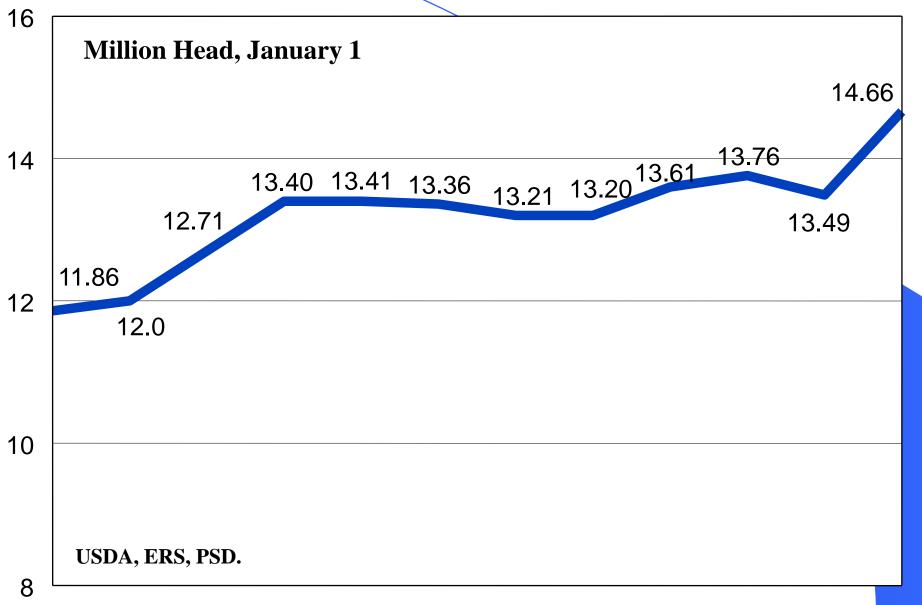
Monthly Omaha Choice Steer Prices



US Boxed Beef Prices, Selected Boneless Cuts

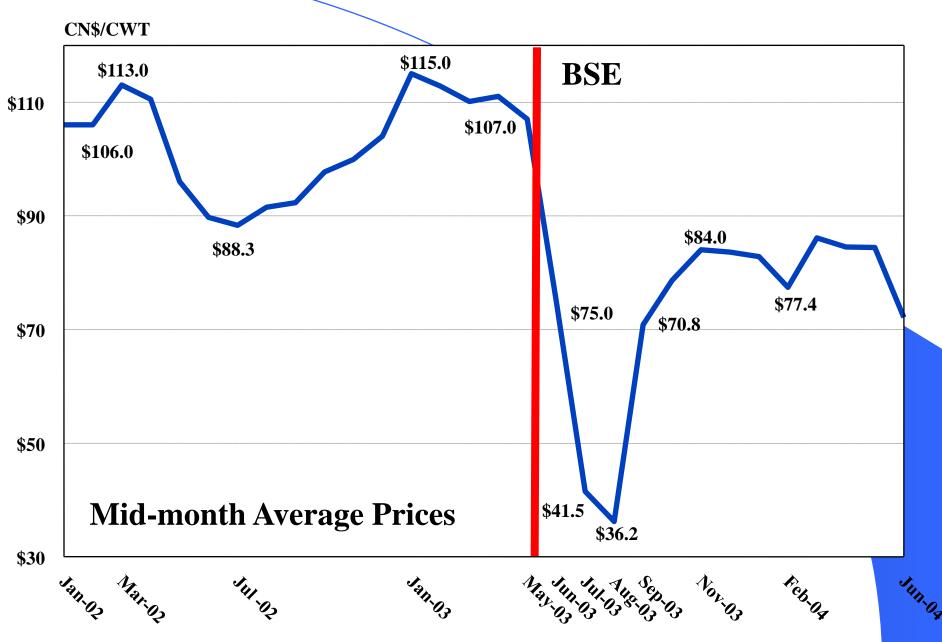


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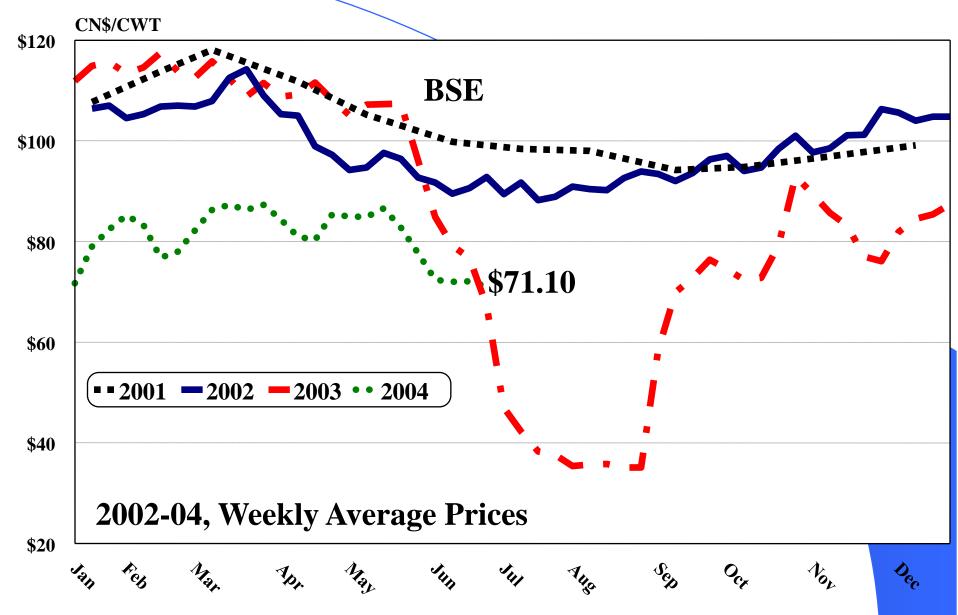
1993 1995 2000 <u>2004</u>

Alberta Direct Sale Steer Prices



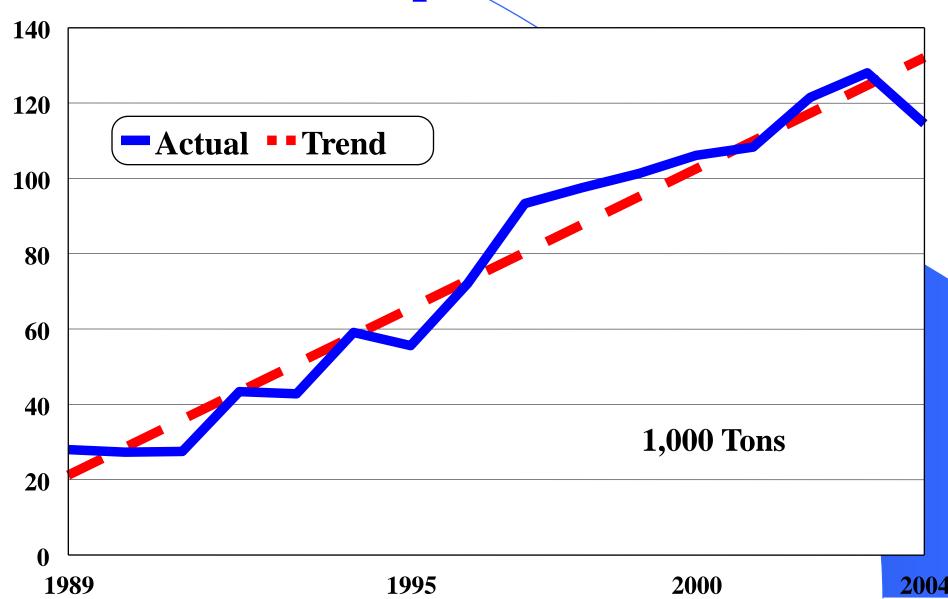
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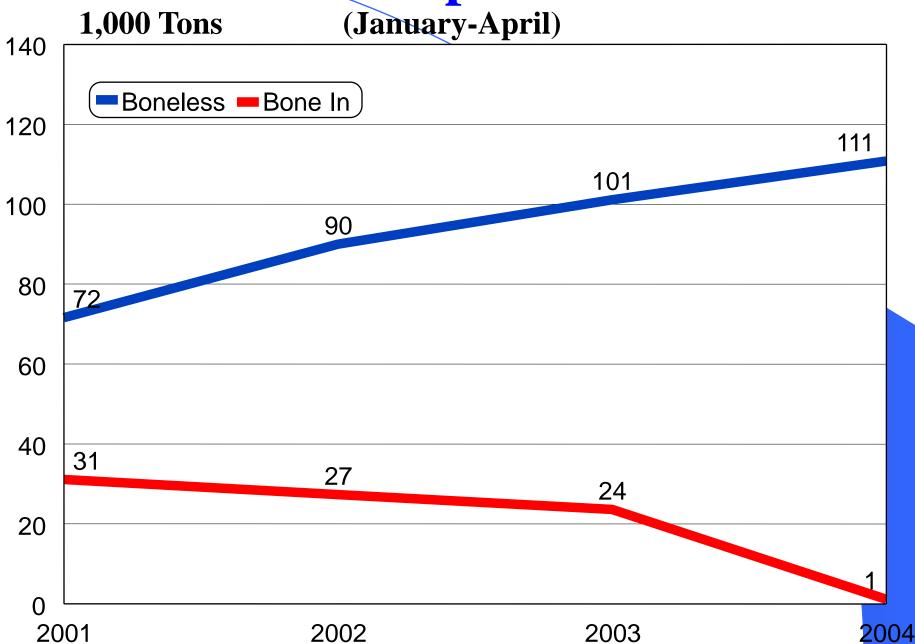


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Canadian Beef Exports to US Market, Jan-Apr 1989-2004



Canadian Beef Exports to US Market



Summary/Implications

- Strong Demand, Low Domestic Production,
 Limited Imports of Canadian Cattle
 - Record High U.S. Cattle Prices
- Uncertainty About Opening of U.S. Market to Canadian Cattle
- Canadian Herd Size Up 8.7% from 2003
- Prices Appear to Be Following Seasonally Normal Patterns
- How Will Canadian Producers Respond?

Frankenfoods!



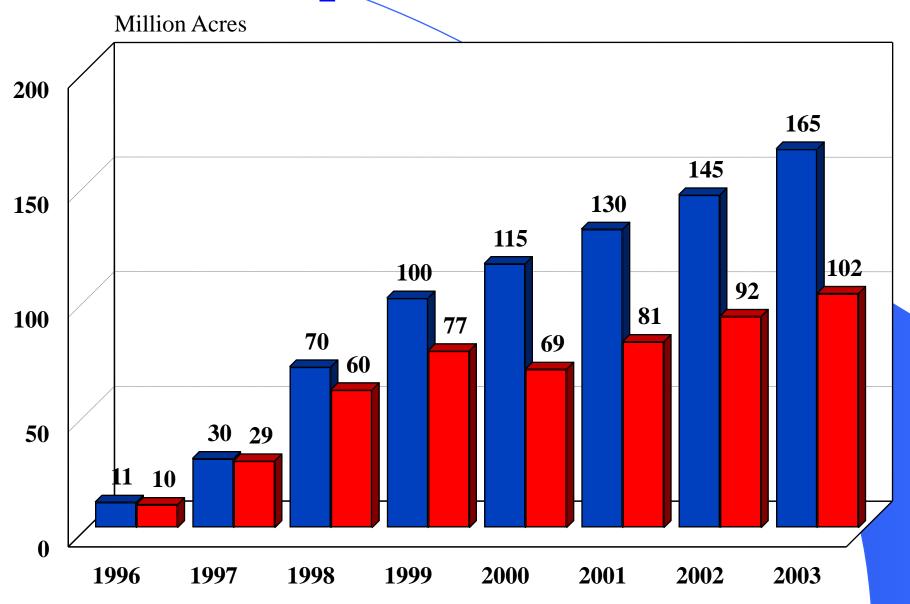
Jumping Genes!





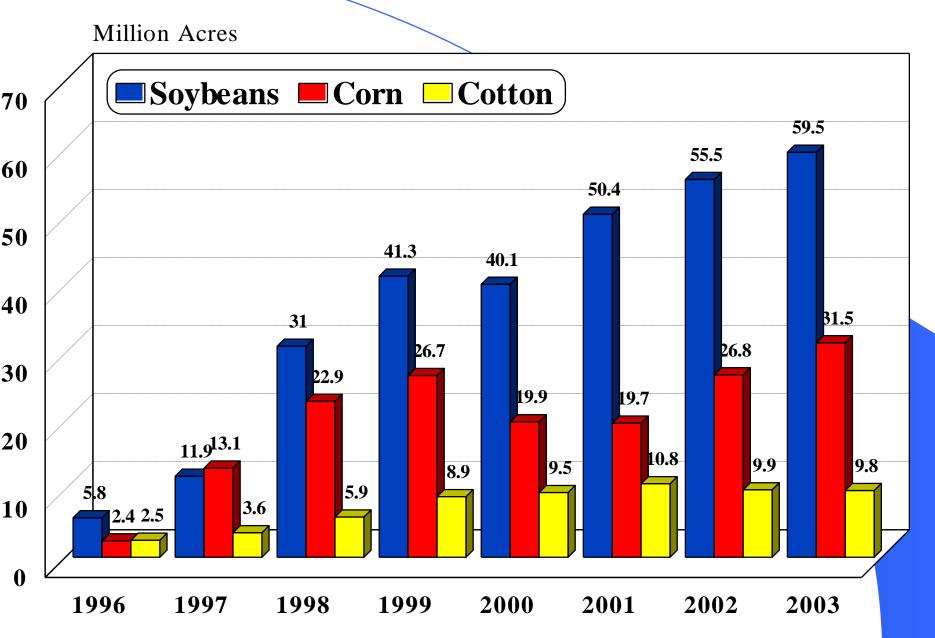


GMO Crop Acres: World & U.S.



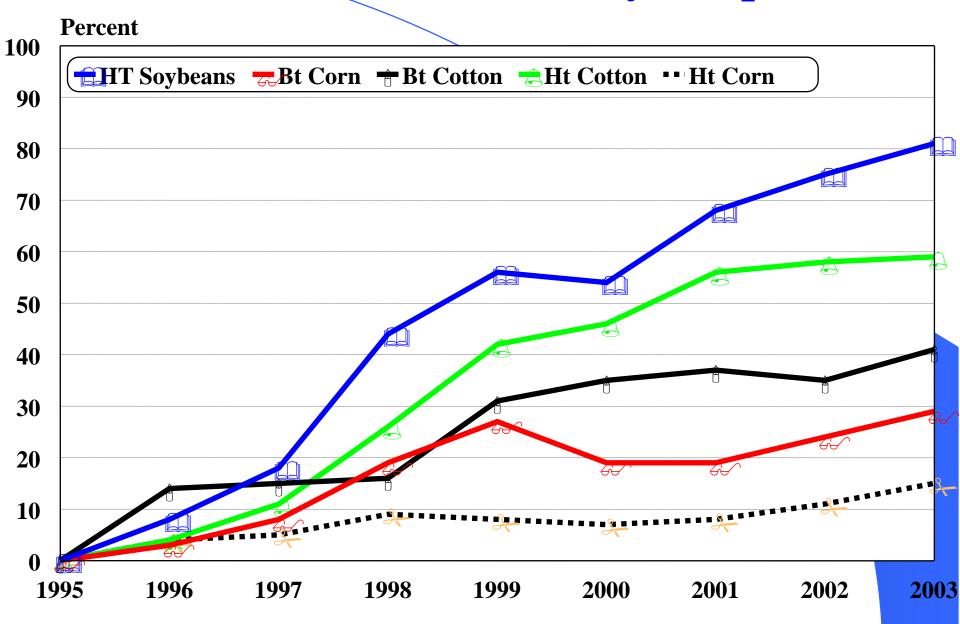
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US GMO Acres by Crop



Source: NASS and ERS, USDA

U.S. GMO Share of Acres by Crop



Source: ERS/USDA, April 2004

United Nations Biosafety Protocol

- Cartagena Agreement): Protect Biological Diversity
- 87 Members (US Not Signatory)
- Prior Notice of Exports to Recipient Countries
- Liability Rules to Be Developed-Contamination
- US Must Comply, Though Not Member
- First International GMO Agreement
- Adopted January 2000, Effective September 11, 2003, GMO Rules Implemented March 2004

European Union GMO Rules April 18, 2004

- Allows for Informed Consumer Choice
- Moratorium on New Varieties Ended
- Warning Labels Required for Products Containing More than 0.9% GMO
- Distributors Need to Maintain Tracking of Products Containing GMOs
- Not Certain if Feeds & Other Products Affected
- No Labels for Meat, Milk, Eggs
- Greenpeace Opposes New Rules
- 10 New Countries Enter EU May 2004

Other Major Developments

- Brazil Develops New GM Soybean
- China Approves Permanent GMO
 Certificates for Corn, Cotton, Soybeans
- Australia & Argentina Rapidly Adopting GMOs
- Monsanto Announces It Will Not Continue to Develop Wheat GMOs
- France Announces 8 Trial Sites for GMO Crops

Bioterrorism Act 2002 Food & Drug Administration

Registration

- What's a Farm?
 - a facility in one general physical location devoted to the growing and harvesting of crops for food and/or the raising of animals for food (including seafood)
- Farms Are Generally Exempt from Registration-But, Some Confusion
- Prior Notice
 - FDA Prior Notice Rule (Before Arrival): 2
 Hrs. if Road, 4 Hrs. if Air or Rail, 8 Hrs. if
 Water
- Current Regulations Include Live Animals

Foreign Facilities— Register or Exempt?

Register:

- Manufacturing/processing a <u>finished food</u> product
- Packing or holding a food product or food ingredient

Exempt:

- Manufacturing/processing a <u>food ingredient that</u> is subsequently further manufactured/processed outside the U.S.
- Full Enforcement Begins August 13, 2004

FDA Contacts

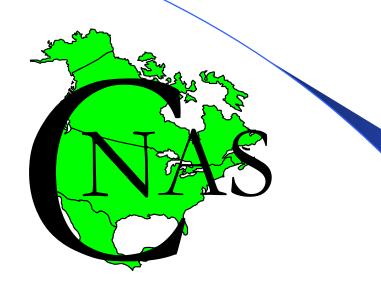
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