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Report Highlights:

For 2012, continued import growth is expected to help raise Japan's overall beef consumption. In addition, greater demand for medium grade grain fed beef will continue to support modest growth in American beef imports. However, a shift from pork to beef may somewhat lower total pork consumption. Total pork imports are expected to be modestly lower due to competition with increasing domestic outputs.

Commodities:

Animal Numbers, Cattle
Meat, Beef and Veal
Animal Numbers, Swine
Meat, Swine

Production:

Production, Supply and Demand Data Statistics

Live Cattle PS&D Table

Animal Numbers, Cattle Japan	2010		2011		2012	
	Market Year Begin: Jan 2010		Market Year Begin: Jan 2011		Market Year Begin: Jan 2012	
	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Total Cattle Beg. Stks	4,376	4,376	4,230	4,230	4,150	4,170
Dairy Cows Beg. Stocks	830	830	805	805	800	800
Beef Cows Beg. Stocks	675	675	668	668	660	660
Production (Calf Crop)	1,359	1,359	1,340	1,340	1,330	1,330
Total Imports	16	16	12	12	15	13
Total Supply	5,751	5,751	5,582	5,582	5,495	5,513
Total Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cow Slaughter	546	546	535	531	530	530
Calf Slaughter	9	10	10	8	10	10
Other Slaughter	663	663	650	640	640	635
Total Slaughter	1,218	1,219	1,195	1,179	1,180	1,175
Loss	303	302	237	233	215	228
Ending Inventories	4,230	4,230	4,150	4,170	4,100	4,110
Total Distribution	5,751	5,751	5,582	5,582	5,495	5,513
1000 HEAD, PERCENT						

Beef and Veal PS&D Table

Meat, Beef and Veal Japan	2010		2011		2012	
	Market Year Begin: Jan 2010		Market Year Begin: Jan 2011		Market Year Begin: Jan 2012	
	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Slaughter (Reference)	1,218	1,219	1,195	1,179	1,180	1,175
Beginning Stocks	119	119	129	129	151	136
Production	515	515	505	501	500	500
Intra-EU Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Imports	721	721	725	745	725	756
Total Imports	721	721	725	745	725	756
Total Supply	1,355	1,355	1,359	1,375	1,376	1,392

Intra EU Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Exports	1	1	0	0	1	1
Total Exports	1	1	0	0	1	1
Human Dom. Consumption	1,225	1,225	1,208	1,239	1,233	1,256
Other Use, Losses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Dom. Consumption	1,225	1,225	1,208	1,239	1,233	1,256
Ending Stocks	129	129	151	136	142	135
Total Distribution	1,355	1,355	1,359	1,375	1,376	1,392
1000 HEAD, 1000 MT CWE, PERCENT, PEOPLE, KG						

Live Swine PS&D Table

Animal Numbers, Swine Japan	**2010**		**2011**		**2012**	
	Market Year Begin: Jan 2010		**Market Year Begin: Jan 2011**		**Market Year Begin: Jan 2012**	
	USDA Official	**New Post**	**USDA Official**	**New Post**	**USDA Official**	**New Post**
Total Beginning Stocks	10,000	10,000	9,768	9,768	9,800	9,730
Sow Beginning Stocks	930	930	901	901	915	910
Production (Pig Crop)	17,500	17,500	17,000	17,000	17,300	17,150
Total Imports	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total Supply	27,501	27,501	26,769	26,769	27,101	26,881
Total Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sow Slaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Slaughter	16,788	16,807	16,270	16,388	16,600	16,500
Total Slaughter	16,788	16,807	16,270	16,388	16,600	16,500
Loss	945	926	699	651	651	651
Ending Inventories	9,768	9,768	9,800	9,730	9,850	9,730
Total Distribution	27,501	27,501	26,769	26,769	27,101	26,881
1000 HEAD, PERCENT						

Pork PS&D Table

Meat, Swine Japan	**2010**		**2011**		**2012**	
	Market Year Begin: Jan 2010		**Market Year Begin: Jan 2011**		**Market Year Begin: Jan 2012**	
	USDA Official	**New Post**	**USDA Official**	**New Post**	**USDA Official**	**New Post**
Slaughter (Reference)	16,788	16,807	16,270	16,388	16,600	16,500
Beginning Stocks	217	217	218	218	202	216
Production	1,292	1,292	1,255	1,267	1,280	1,275
Intra-EU Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Imports	1,198	1,199	1,210	1,254	1,210	1,209
Total Imports	1,198	1,199	1,210	1,254	1,210	1,209
Total Supply	2,707	2,708	2,683	2,739	2,692	2,700
Intra EU Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Exports	1	1	0	1	1	1
Total Exports	1	1	0	1	1	1
Human Dom. Consumption	2,488	2,489	2,481	2,522	2,489	2,487

Other Use, Losses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Dom. Consumption	2,488	2,489	2,481	2,522	2,489	2,487
Ending Stocks	218	218	202	216	202	212
Total Distribution	2,707	2,708	2,683	2,739	2,692	2,700
1000 HEAD, 1000 MT CWE, PERCENT, PEOPLE, KG						

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Preface

This report is an update to JA1038 Japan Livestock and Products Annual, dated September 5, 2011. In updating the demand and supply outlook and forecast numbers for CY 2012, Post applied the following assumptions:

- No changes to Japan's Export Verification (EV) Program for U.S. beef, thus continued limited market access during CY 2012

- Continued lack of positive income growth, thus average consumers will remain price conscious

Quantities listed in the text are made on the basis of Carcass Weight Equivalent – CWE (unless specified otherwise). Some numbers in the inserted tables are on a product weight basis and have not been converted to CWE.

Rates of conversion from product weight to CWE are:
Beef Cuts (Boneless) – 1.40
Pork Cuts (Boneless) – 1.30
Processed/Prepared Beef Products – 1.79
Processed/Prepared Pork Products – 1.30
All supplemental tables provided in the report are provided for the reader's own analysis.

2012 Beef Market Outlook (Revised)

In the 2011 annual report, Post's 2012 beef market outlook presented a scenario which predicted a recovery from last year's drop in domestic production and consumption due to the March earthquake/tsunami, E. coli 0157 incident, and Cesium 137 detection in domestic beef (See the previous annual report: JA 1038 dated September 5, 2011). In the 2011 report, Post projected a slight decline in 2011 total consumption, a slight increase in total imports, and relatively high year ending stocks. For 2012, Post forecasted a gradual depletion of the high carryover stocks due to a slight increase in total consumption over the previous year. Post also projected that the 2012 total slaughter was to continue its decline and that total imports would remain unchanged over the previous year. However, there was actually an increase in total imports due to greater demand, which contributed to total consumption being slightly higher in 2012. Also, the actual year ending stock for 2011 was only slightly above the year's beginning level. Finally, the 2011 report also noted greater demand for "medium grade grain fed beef". Post projects this demand outlook to continue to hold and that American beef will perform well in 2012.

Based on the above, Post has re-forecasted the 2012 outlook as explained below.

Slight Rise in Total Beef Consumption Forecasted for 2012

As explained in the previous annual report, last summer's issue of cesium detection in domestic beef (fed with contaminated rice straw) was the key development that had shaken consumer confidence in the safety of domestic product. Even though it is not a government requirement, major retailers continue to sell domestic beef with stickers/labels indicating "tested" or "no detection" signs. Post is unsure how long these practices will continue as the government's response seems to have been effective in preventing contaminated beef from entering into distribution channels.

For consumption, last summer's shift from domestic beef to imported beef and pork continued through the rest of 2011. Post expects this consumption shift, especially to pork, to be temporary and to reverse in 2012. The market prospect for imported beef is also expected to remain good for the year. This is especially true for sales of American grain fed cuts, which can meet demand for "affordably priced medium grade grain fed cuts". In fact, on a year-to-year comparison, 2011 imports (excluding processed and prepared products) were four percent higher for beef cuts (724,000 MT) and ten percent higher for chilled pork cuts (330,740 MT). Due to this increase in beef cuts imports, Post has changed its previous forecast for Japan's total beef consumption from "slip slightly" to "net increase" of one percent to 1.239 million MT. Last year's main highlight was the remarkable growth of American beef, which shot up 32 percent to 169,000 MT over the previous year, beating Post's earlier conservative projection. Aussie beef suffered a four percent drop due to its high price. For the new 2012 outlook, Post projects market demand for imported grain fed cuts to continue and improve overall demand. Based on the above, 2012 total beef consumption is now projected to increase by one percent to at **1.256 million MT**, a substantial increase from Post's earlier projection.

Modest Import Growth Forecasted in 2012

Post also projects a modest growth of two percent in beef imports for 2012, with total imports at **756,000** MT (Beef Cuts: up four percent to 724,000 MT, Prepared/Processed, unchanged at 21,000 MT), another substantial increase from last year's estimate. Currently, Post estimates this year's U.S. imports to grow at a moderate pace when compared to 2011, up by seven percent to total around **182,000 MT**. This estimate is based on the assumption that sufficient numbers of qualified beef cattle under the EV program for Japan are available in the United States to meet Japan's solid market demand for grain fed cuts.
However, Japanese importers are concerned about the increasing U.S. export offer that started last year. If it persists, it may effectively eliminate the competitive price advantage which the United States

enjoyed against Australia in 2011. The increase in the export offer may be due to the historically small number of cattle in U.S. feedlots forecast for this year. Also, according to market sources, some Australian suppliers have started to lower their export offer for Japan. This move may also be related to their increased slaughter and production forecast for the year. At this time, Japan's imports of Aussie beef in 2012 are projected down by three percent from the previous year at around **471,000 MT**. As in the previous year, Australian supplies of chilled grass and grain fed cuts are expected to continue to be replaced by increased American grain fed cuts. Readers may note that Japan's Aussie frozen grass fed cuts (mostly used for fast food hamburger paddies) may continue to perform well in 2012 catering to low price seeking consumers.

Stable Domestic Beef Outputs Forecasted for 2012

Post has revised Japan's 2012 total cattle slaughter downward from its previous projection. The actual total slaughter in 2011 fell more than Post's previous forecast, with a three percent decline at 1.179 million heads (501,000 MT). Reflecting a slow recovery, Post projected, on a year-to-year comparison, a marginal decline for the 2012 total slaughter to **1.175 million Heads (500,000 MT)**. There is a report that some spent dairy cows (estimated 4,000 – 5,000 heads) that were raised in the radiation-affected Tohoku and Kanto regions were voluntarily retained last year due to contamination concerns and that these cows are expected to be slaughtered this year. Therefore, some increase in dairy cow slaughter may be seen in 2012, but this will most likely be offset by reduced slaughters elsewhere.

On-going Review of BSE Restrictions May Change Forecast Later

Late last year, the Government of Japan finally announced that it would review its overall BSE restrictions through the Food Safety Commission (FSC) review. The FSC review may change Japan's import restrictions imposed on American beef, which have been in effect for nearly 10 years, in which case, Post will revise the PS&D numbers. Factors to be incorporated in Post's assessment will be; 1) Substitutability of American beef for Aussie beef, 2) Likely growth of total beef imports, 3) Possibility of beef safeguard triggering, and 4) Likely impacts on pork market.

2012 Pork Market Outlook (Revised)

Post's previous projection for Japan's 2012 pork market still holds, and consumption is expected to be affected by a potential recovery in Japan's beef consumption as outlined in the previous outlook scenario. Given preliminary 2011 annual production and trade data just publicized, Post made adjustments to the 2011 PS&D numbers, as well as 2012 total consumption, domestic slaughter (pork production), total imports, and the beginning and ending stocks forecast in the latest annual report. Currently, increased domestic pork production and distribution are expected to hold market prices lower through 2012, which will likely intensify competition in sales with imported chilled cuts. This may subsequently lead to 2012 imports being lower than last year total. The potential recovery in Japan's beef market may also become a factor in this year's projected reduction of total imports.

Total Pork Consumption Forecasted to be Lower in 2012

The Japanese 2012 pork market is expected to correct the surplus situation that started late last year. Post projects that the consumption recovery in the beef market and a projected increase in the supply and distribution of low priced domestic fresh/chilled pork cuts may trim 2012 total consumption by lowering total imports, especially those competing with chilled cuts. This scenario assumes that demand for raw material frozen cuts (including seasoned ground pork) will remain stable and hold through this year.

In light of the above, total consumption in 2012 is now projected one percent lower from the previous year at **2.487 million MT,** marginally lower than Post's earlier estimate.

Total Domestic Pork Outputs to Rebound Slightly in 2012

Despite the difficulties experienced in the previous two years (FMD outbreaks in Miyazaki in 2010, and the earthquake/tsunami in March 2011), overall 2011 domestic hog slaughter in 2011 recovered at a faster than previously anticipated rate, with outputs (on a month-to-month comparison) reaching their 2010 levels late last year. Therefore, in 2011, Japan's annual base hog slaughter and outputs fell only a modest two percent to 16.4 million heads (1.267 million MT), with the second half recovery partially offsetting any first half decline. For 2012, Post projects a gradual rise in domestic slaughter and production to occur, up by one percent to **16.5 million heads (1.275 million MT)** on an annual basis**,** slightly lower than Post's earlier projection.

Overall Supply Surplus to Cut Back Total Imports in 2012

Some surplus remained in the market due to the combination of stronger than anticipated imports (especially chilled cuts) and the recovery of domestic pork outputs, which took place in the latter half of 2011. Competition with imported chilled cuts caused market prices for domestic pork to slump during 2011's fourth quarter. This situation has carried into 2012 and has somewhat kept market prices weak during the first quarter. This situation, if it persists, will most likely tighten imports at some point. Since 2011 total imports were actually higher than Post's earlier projection (up five percent to 1.25 million MT), Japan's total pork imports for 2012 are now projected down by three percent to **1.21 million MT** (Pork Cuts: down by four percent to 988,000 MT, Processed/Prepared Products: down by one percent to 221,000 MT). This level is also lower than Post's earlier projection. At this time, Post is projecting Japan's imports of American pork (pork cuts combined with seasoned ground pork in the prepared/processed category) to decline by two percent to **553,000 MT**. Post anticipates that chilled pork imports from the United States and Canada may be cut back in 2012.

Stable Year Ending Stock is Projected for 2012

Post estimates the 2012 year ending stock to be roughly at the same level as last year, assuming that the relatively stable raw material demand for processing (including seasoned ground pork) holds at 213,000 MT, lower than the actual year's beginning level.

Table 1: Average of Monthly Expenditures and Quantities of Selected Commodities and Services Purchased per Household (Two-or-more person households)

	Beef				Pork				Chicken			
	Expenditure		Quantity		Expenditure		Quantity		Expenditure		Quantity	
CY 2008	**20,885**		**6,785**		**25,555**		**18,305**		**12,830**		**12,657**	
CY 2009	**20,166**		**7,045**		**24,790**		**18,639**		**12,614**		**13,649**	
% Chg.	**-3%**		**4%**		**-3%**		**2%**		**-2%**		**8%**	
CY 2010	**18,965**		**6,933**		**23,959**		**18,501**		**12,387**		**13,755**	
% Chg.	**-6%**		**-2%**		**-3%**		**-1%**		**-2%**		**1%**	
CY 2011												
Jan.	1,550	-2%	552	-1%	2,072	3%	1,614	5%	1,042	-2%	1,128	-4%
Feb.	1,385	2%	515	-4%	1,980	2%	1,533	0%	932	-8%	1,028	-11%
Mar.	1,448	-5%	571	-2%	2,106	5%	1,650	5%	1,024	-2%	1,148	-2%
Apr.	1,529	5%	566	1%	2,025	5%	1,521	1%	970	-5%	986	-14%
May	1,572	0%	581	0%	2,004	1%	1,523	1%	1,030	2%	1,086	-4%
Jun.	1,478	10%	570	9%	1,963	5%	1,482	3%	993	5%	1,022	-6%
July	1,370	-9%	503	-9%	1,992	4%	1,515	5%	980	9%	1,057	4%
Aug.	1,486	-7%	531	-10%	2,073	6%	1,538	2%	970	11%	1,040	5%
Sept.	1,341	-7%	544	-2%	2,000	1%	1,549	1%	1,062	8%	1,149	3%
Oct.	1,452	-5%	544	1%	2,136	1%	1,682	2%	1,154	5%	1,269	4%
Nov.	1,431	-5%	557	-3%	2,151	3%	1,670	4%	1,147	7%	1,241	7%
Dec.	2,550	1%	752	-4%	2,246	2%	1,719	3%	1,495	10%	1,557	13%
CY 2011 Jan. - Dec.	**18,592**		**6,786**		**24,748**		**18,996**		**12,799**		**13,711**	
% Chg.	**-2%**		**-2%**		**3%**		**3%**		**3%**		**0%**	
Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication Bureau												

	Ground Meat				Ham				Sausage			
	Expenditure		**Quantity**		**Expenditure**		**Quantity**		**Expenditure**		**Quantity**	
CY 2008	**2,041**		**1,795**		**5,870**		**2,887**		**7,212**		**5,175**	
CY 2009	**2,045**		**1,888**		**5,670**		**2,947**		**7,197**		**5,324**	
% Chg.	**0%**		**5%**		**-3%**		**2%**		**0%**		**3%**	
CY 2010	**1,932**		**1,853**		**5,618**		**2,993**		**7,067**		**5,434**	
% Chg.	**-6%**		**-2%**		**-1%**		**2%**		**-2%**		**2%**	
CY 2011												
Jan.	156	0%	144	-5%	319	1%	175	-1%	523	-3%	402	-5%
Feb.	160	0%	160	0%	299	1%	165	-1%	527	-2%	399	-3%
Mar.	170	1%	163	2%	345	2%	196	8%	599	0%	456	0%
Apr.	170	3%	155	-1%	352	4%	195	5%	608	2%	456	-3%
May	186	7%	174	7%	395	2%	219	4%	632	1%	494	6%
Jun.	173	-1%	167	-3%	454	-1%	246	-4%	575	0%	431	-5%
July	154	-3%	151	3%	603	4%	334	9%	570	0%	444	1%
Aug.	164	5%	156	4%	490	-1%	257	-6%	595	-1%	450	-1%
Sept.	170	6%	160	5%	364	-3%	210	4%	600	-1%	466	2%
Oct.	168	6%	158	4%	358	0%	197	3%	633	1%	480	-2%
Nov.	161	3%	156	3%	571	9%	307	6%	612	4%	466	4%
Dec.	150	4%	148	6%	1,084	-5%	523	-6%	626	4%	458	0%
CY 2011	**1,982**		**1,892**		**5,634**		**3,024**		**7,100**		**5,402**	
% Chg.	**3%**		**2%**		**0%**		**1%**		**0%**		**-1%**	
Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication Bureau												

	Bacon

	Expenditure		Quantity	
CY 2008	**2,426**		**1,369**	
CY 2009	**2,391**		**1,379**	
% Chg.	**-1%**		**1%**	
CY 2010	**2,275**		**1,380**	
% Chg.	**-5%**		**0%**	
CY 2011				
Jan.	166	-3%	95	-7%
Feb.	186	1%	114	2%
Mar.	204	0%	132	9%
Apr.	204	7%	123	9%
May	217	9%	131	5%
Jun.	218	15%	133	13%
July	196	8%	121	10%
Aug.	200	17%	121	15%
Sept.	212	10%	133	14%
Oct.	207	6%	130	7%
Nov.	211	10%	129	11%
Dec.	208	1%	127	6%
CY 2011	**2,429**		**1,489**	
% Chg.	**7%**		**8%**	
Source: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication Bureau				

Table 2: Australian Beef Exports to Japan

Unit: Metric Ton (Shipped Weight Basis)					
CY	2009	2010	2011	2011	2011
	Jan/Dec	Jan/Dec	Jan/Dec	% Chg.	Share
Chilled Beef	**168,928**	**155,536**	**138,408**	**-11%**	**100%**
Grass	55,217	51,775	45,558	-12%	33%
Grain fed	113,711	103,761	92,850	-11%	67%
Frozen Beef	**187,638**	**200,675**	**203,778**	**2%**	**100%**
Grass	146,162	150,074	155,172	3%	76%
Grain fed	41,476	50,601	48,606	-4%	24%
TOTAL	**356,566**	**356,211**	**342,186**	**-4%**	**100%**
Grass	201,379	201,850	200,731	-1%	59%
Grain fed	155,187	154,362	141,456	-8%	41%
Source: Meat Livestock Australia (Compiled by post)					

Table 3-A: Beef Safeguard Trigger Levels for JFY 2011 and Actual Imports Year to Date

Unit: Metric Ton					
Chilled Beef	**Trigger Level**	**Cum. Total**			
	Quarterly Cum.	**Actual Entry**	**April**	**May**	**June**
I (Apr. - Jun.)	**74,339**	55,274	18,596	17,148	19,530
			July	**August**	**September**
I - II (Apr. - Sept.)	**152,456**	108,446	17,766	17,300	18,106
			October	**November**	**December**
II - III (Apr. - Dec.)	**230,642**	164,123	17,192	20,107	18,378
			January	**February**	**March**
III - IV (Apr. - Mar.)	**292,355**	164,123			

Frozen Beef	Trigger Level	Cum. Total			
	Quarterly Cum.	Actual Entry	April	May	June
I (Apr. - Jun.)	**79,135**	68,169	29,419	22,829	15,921
			July	August	September
I - II (Apr. - Sept.)	**175,480**	152,298	29,710	28,736	25,683
			October	November	December
II - III (Apr. - Dec.)	**264,467**	232,706	26,091	27,255	27,062
			January	February	March
III - IV (Apr. - Mar.)	**341,996**	232,706			
Source: Ministry of Finance					
Note: For JFY 2006 - JFY 2010 beef SG trigger levels, the levels are determined based on a special measure by GOJ as per our voluntary report.					

Table 3-B: Pork Safeguard Trigger Levels for JFY 2009 and Actual Imports Year to Date

Unit: Metric Ton					
JFY 2009	Trigger Level	Cum. Total			
	Quarterly Cum.	Actual Entry	April	May	June
I (Apr. - Jun.)	**233,663**	**172,956**	59,527	56,592	56,837
			July	August	September
I - II (Apr. - Sept.)	**448,131**	**324,982**	57,549	48,164	46,313
			October	November	December
II - III (Apr. - Dec.)	**666,791**	**480,348**	50,686	48,084	56,596
			January	February	March
III - IV (Apr. - Mar.)	**871,699**	**638,968**	52,220	47,701	58,699
JFY 2010	Trigger Level	Cum. Total			
	Quarterly Cum.	Actual Entry	April	May	June
I (Apr. - Jun.)	**224,488**	**198,319**	66,192	60,274	71,853
			July	August	September
I - II (Apr. - Sept.)	**434,398**	**376,577**	65,680	61,408	51,170
			October	November	December
II - III (Apr. - Dec.)	**645,081**	**539,862**	51,964	55,805	55,516
			January	February	March
III - IV (Apr. - Mar.)	**839,812**	**714,658**	53,936	58,265	62,595
JFY 2011	Trigger Level	Cum. Total			
	Quarterly Cum.	Actual Entry	April	May	June
I (Apr. - Jun.)	**228,878**	**192,076**	67,802	59,008	65,266
			July	August	September
I - II (Apr. - Sept.)	**437,636**	**361,225**	55,510	58,436	55,203
			October	November	December
II - III (Apr. - Dec.)	**641,388**	**557,778**	63,395	71,001	62,157
			January	February	March
III - IV (Apr. - Mar.)	**838,343**	**557,778**			
Source: Ministry of Finance					

Table 4-A: Japanese Wholesale Beef Price: Quarterly Average for Medium Grade Auctioned Carcasses by Breed, Tokyo Market

Unit: JP Yen/Kg.
WAGYU STEER A-3 GRADE

	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2008	1,807	1,639	1,577	1,575	**1,650**
2009	1,542	1,529	1,462	1,535	**1,517**
%chg	-15%	-7%	-7%	-3%	**-8%**
2010	1,460	1,469	1,479	1,549	**1,489**
%chg	-5%	-4%	1%	1%	**-2%**
2011	**1,530**	**1,437**	**1,197**	**1,176**	**1,335**
%chg	**5%**	**-2%**	**-19%**	**-24%**	**-10%**
WAGYU STEER A-2 GRADE					
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2008	1,539	1,339	1,265	1,197	**1,335**
2009	1,267	1,302	1,196	1,202	**1,242**
%chg	-18%	-3%	-5%	0%	**-7%**
2010	1,223	1,291	1,300	1,351	**1,291**
%chg	-4%	-1%	9%	12%	**4%**
2011	**1,362**	**1,256**	**900**	**828**	**1,087**
%chg	**11%**	**-3%**	**-31%**	**-39%**	**-16%**
WAGYU Heifer A-3 GRADE					
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2008	1,821	1,665	1,598	1,613	**1,674**
2009	1,578	1,563	1,476	1,539	**1,539**
%chg	-13%	-6%	-8%	-5%	**-8%**
2010	1,469	1,470	1,473	1,544	**1,489**
%chg	-7%	-6%	-0%	0%	**-3%**
2011	**1,534**	**1,430**	**1,225**	**1,188**	**1,344**
%chg	**4%**	**-3%**	**-17%**	**-23%**	**-10%**
Holstein Steer B-2 Grade					
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2008	768	801	728	788	**771**
2009	807	763	736	754	**765**
%chg	5%	-5%	1%	-4%	**-1%**
2010	697	685	635	648	**666**
%chg	-14%	-10%	-14%	-14%	**-13%**
2011	**652**	**645**	**329**	**362**	**497**
%chg	**-6%**	**-6%**	**-48%**	**-44%**	**-25%**
Holstein Cow C-2 GRADE					
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2008	496	575	548	476	**524**
2009	479	472	447	375	**443**
%chg	-3%	-18%	-18%	-21%	**-15%**
2010	338	370	378	344	**358**
%chg	-29%	-22%	-15%	-8%	**-19%**
2011	**394**	**439**	**357**	**183**	**344**
%chg	**17%**	**19%**	**-6%**	**-47%**	**-4%**
F1 Cross Breed Heifer B-3 GRADE					
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2008	1,263	1,230	1,165	1,178	**1,209**
2009	1,116	1,106	1,072	1,097	**1,098**
%chg	-12%	-10%	-8%	-7%	**-9%**
2010	1,068	1,123	1,118	1,252	**1,140**
%chg	-4%	2%	4%	14%	**4%**
2011	**1,199**	**1,137**	**1,015**	**845**	**1,049**
%chg	**12%**	**1%**	**-9%**	**-32%**	**-8%**
F1 Cross Breed Heifer B-2 GRADE					
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Yearly Ave.
2007	1,143	1,100	1,033	1,023	**1,075**
2008	1,054	1,041	937	903	**984**
%chg	-8%	-5%	-9%	-12%	**-8%**
2009	916	948	844	852	**890**
%chg	-13%	-9%	-10%	-6%	**-10%**
2010	895	998	978	1,116	**997**

%chg	-2%	5%	16%	31%	**12%**
2011	**1,096**	**980**	**798**	**573**	**862**
%chg	**22%**	**-2%**	**-18%**	**-49%**	**-14%**
Source: Meat Distribution Statistic, MAFF					

Table 4-B: Monthly Average Wholesale Price, Imported Beef by Cuts and Origin, Chilled

					Unit: JP Yen/Kg.
Full Set, Aussie Beef, Chilled, (Short Grain Fed)					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	1,017	1,004	971	876	**967**
2009	730	746	755	743	**744**
%chg	-28%	-26%	-22%	-15%	**-23%**
2010	756	786	715	768	**756**
%chg	4%	5%	-5%	3%	**2%**
2011	**842**	**803**	**758**	**772**	**794**
%chg	**11%**	**2%**	**6%**	**0%**	**5%**
Full Set, Aussie Beef, Chilled, (Grass Fed)					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	856	771	846	739	**803**
2009	638	630	648	677	**648**
%chg	-25%	-18%	-23%	-8%	**-19%**
2010	719	688	637	694	**684**
%chg	13%	9%	-2%	3%	**6%**
2011	**767**	**703**	**669**	**687**	**707**
%chg	**7%**	**2%**	**5%**	**-1%**	**3%**
Navel-end Brisket, Aussie Beef, Chilled					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	652	598	728	622	**650**
2009	573	640	604	576	**598**
%chg	-12%	7%	-17%	-7%	**-8%**
2010	597	552	548	556	**563**
%chg	4%	-14%	-9%	-3%	**-6%**
2011	**586**	**552**	**532**	**513**	**546**
%chg	**-2%**	**0%**	**-3%**	**-8%**	**-3%**
Strip Loin, Aussie Beef, Chilled					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	1,452	1,175	1,248	980	**1,214**
2009	1,042	989	1,068	1,078	**1,044**
%chg	-28%	-16%	-14%	10%	**-14%**
2010	1,317	1,158	975	981	**1,108**
%chg	26%	17%	-9%	-9%	**6%**
2011	**1,148**	**1,008**	**940**	**945**	**1,010**
%chg	**-13%**	**-13%**	**-4%**	**-4%**	**-9%**
Chuck Rib, US Beef, Chilled					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	1,473	1,487	1,419	1,342	**1,430**
2009	1,291	1,289	1,116	1,007	**1,176**
%chg	-12%	-13%	-21%	-25%	**-18%**
2010	1,024	1,186	1,139	1,053	**1,101**
%chg	-21%	-8%	2%	5%	**-6%**
2011	**1,087**	**1,111**	**1,049**	**1,024**	**1,068**
%chg	**6%**	**-6%**	**-8%**	**-3%**	**-3%**
Chuck Eye, US Beef, Chilled					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	915	876	887	896	**894**
2009	799	732	703	725	**740**
%chg	-13%	-16%	-21%	-19%	**-17%**
2010	743	758	718	755	**743**
%chg	-7%	4%	2%	4%	**1%**

2011	**814**	**739**	**697**	**799**	**762**
%chg	**10%**	**-3%**	**-3%**	**6%**	**3%**
Source: Meat Distribution Statistic, MAFF (Quarterly numbers are compiled by Post)					

Table 4-C: Monthly Average Wholesale Price of Domestic Pork Carcass in Tokyo Market

					Unit: JP Yen/Kg.
Excellent Grade					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	532	571	559	428	**522**
2009	409	471	414	417	**428**
% Chg	-23%	-17%	-26%	-3%	**-18%**
2010	419	485	495	446	**461**
% Chg	3%	3%	20%	7%	**8%**
2011	**466**	**506**	**493**	**411**	**469**
% Chg	**11%**	**4%**	**-1%**	**-8%**	**2%**
Medium Grade					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	499	549	521	397	**492**
2009	380	444	380	377	**395**
% Chg	-24%	-19%	-27%	-5%	**-20%**
2010	371	444	446	405	**417**
% Chg	-2%	-0%	17%	8%	**5%**
2011	**425**	**475**	**455**	**375**	**433**
% Chg	**14%**	**7%**	**2%**	**-7%**	**4%**
Source: Meat Distribution Statistic, MAFF (Quarterly numbers are compiled by Post)					

Table 4-D: Monthly Average Wholesale Price for Domestic Pork Cuts by Meat Traders, Fresh/Chilled

					Unit: JP Yen/Kg.
Full-set					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	736	795	805	620	739
2009	599	651	608	584	610
%chg	-19%	-18%	-25%	-6%	-17%
2010	606	669	716	640	658
%chg	1%	3%	18%	10%	8%
2011	**685**	**729**	**704**	**586**	**676**
%chg	**13%**	**9%**	**-2%**	**-8%**	**3%**
Picnic					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	564	630	630	495	580
2009	448	480	439	408	444
%chg	-21%	-24%	-30%	-18%	-24%
2010	422	483	494	454	463
%chg	-6%	1%	13%	11%	4%
2011	**498**	**550**	**525**	**446**	**505**
%chg	**18%**	**14%**	**6%**	**-2%**	**9%**
Shoulder Loin					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	969	999	1,031	848	962
2009	785	822	779	796	795
%chg	-19%	-18%	-24%	-6%	-17%
2010	781	823	892	874	842
%chg	-1%	0%	15%	10%	6%
2011	**874**	**875**	**874**	**779**	**851**
%chg	**12%**	**6%**	**-2%**	**-11%**	**1%**
Loin					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**

2008	1,018	1,042	1,073	872	1,001
2009	826	887	837	829	845
%chg	-19%	-15%	-22%	-5%	-16%
2010	812	879	951	906	887
%chg	-2%	-1%	14%	9%	5%
2011	**917**	**915**	**925**	**810**	**892**
%chg	**13%**	**4%**	**-3%**	**-11%**	**1%**
Tender Loin					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	1,148	1,194	1,215	986	1,136
2009	968	1,032	971	931	975
%chg	-16%	-14%	-20%	-6%	-14%
2010	934	975	997	932	959
%chg	-4%	-5%	3%	0%	-2%
2011	**963**	**996**	**991**	**886**	**959**
%chg	**3%**	**2%**	**-1%**	**-5%**	**-0%**
Belly					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	924	932	930	780	891
2009	743	752	694	741	733
%chg	-20%	-19%	-25%	-5%	-18%
2010	763	786	815	861	806
%chg	3%	4%	17%	16%	10%
2011	**878**	**868**	**817**	**754**	**829**
%chg	**15%**	**10%**	**0%**	**-12%**	**3%**
Ham					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	594	657	652	518	605
2009	478	519	474	437	477
%chg	-20%	-21%	-27%	-16%	-21%
2010	449	519	524	479	493
%chg	-6%	-0%	11%	9%	3%
2011	**516**	**569**	**550**	**467**	**526**
%chg	**15%**	**10%**	**5%**	**-2%**	**7%**
Source: Meat Distribution Statistic, MAFF (Quarterly numbers are compiled by Post)					

Table 4-E: Monthly Average Wholesale Price of Imported Pork Cuts Traded by Middlemen, Chilled

					Unit: JP Yen/Kg.
Loin, USA					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	626	622	643	625	629
2009	621	605	610	607	611
%chg	-1%	-3%	-5%	-3%	-3%
2010	611	596	604	599	603
%chg	-2%	-1%	-1%	-1%	-1%
2011	**601**	**597**	**596**	**584**	**595**
%chg	**-2%**	**0%**	**-1%**	**-3%**	**-1%**
Loin, Canada					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	656	650	671	650	657
2009	631	617	624	625	624
%chg	-4%	-5%	-7%	-4%	-5%
2010	621	614	622	617	618

%chg	-2%	-1%	-0%	-1%	-1%
2011	**620**	**618**	**619**	**600**	**614**
%chg	**-0%**	**1%**	**-0%**	**-3%**	**-1%**
Tender Loin, USA					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	745	751	852	763	778
2009	736	724	711	698	717
%chg	-1%	-4%	-17%	-9%	-8%
2010	696	697	689	687	692
%chg	-5%	-4%	-3%	-2%	-3%
2011	**689**	**692**	**690**	**689**	**690**
%chg	**-1%**	**-1%**	**0%**	**0%**	**-0%**
Tender Loin, Canada					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	846	845	884	841	854
2009	796	787	769	776	782
%chg	-6%	-7%	-13%	-8%	-8%
2010	766	767	775	777	771
%chg	-4%	-3%	1%	0%	-1%
2011	**781**	**774**	**771**	**763**	**772**
%chg	**2%**	**1%**	**-0%**	**-2%**	**0%**
Shoulder Loin, USA					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	652	648	661	643	651
2009	631	617	624	625	624
%chg	-3%	-5%	-6%	-3%	-4%
2010	621	612	621	623	619
%chg	-2%	-1%	-0%	-0%	-1%
2011	**619**	**632**	**630**	**608**	**622**
%chg	**-0%**	**3%**	**1%**	**-2%**	**1%**
shoulder Loin, Canada					
	1st Qtr.	**2nd Qtr.**	**3rd Qtr.**	**4th Qtr.**	**Yearly Ave.**
2008	683	676	698	673	682
2009	648	649	647	645	647
%chg	-5%	-4%	-7%	-4%	-5%
2010	638	635	641	644	640
%chg	-1%	-2%	-1%	-0%	-1%
2011	**642**	**654**	**654**	**633**	**646**
%chg	**1%**	**3%**	**2%**	**-2%**	**1%**
Source: Meat Distribution Statistic, MAFF (Quarterly numbers are compiled by Post)					

Table 5-A: Japanese Monthly Ending Beef Stock Estimates

Unit: Metric Ton (Carcass Equivalent)							
	2008	**2009**	**% Chg.**	**2010**	**% Chg.**	**2011**	**% Chg.**
Jan.	101,830	114,384	12%	109,507	-4%	121,460	11%
Feb.	100,194	115,133	15%	101,847	-12%	115,384	13%
Mar.	101,938	110,956	9%	96,699	-13%	120,288	24%
Apr.	98,662	101,165	3%	99,306	-2%	114,618	15%
May	103,544	101,452	-2%	102,899	1%	117,349	14%
Jun.	104,682	108,608	4%	108,482	-0%	128,628	19%
Jul.	112,221	117,881	5%	114,444	-3%	136,346	19%
Aug.	116,736	120,725	3%	124,660	3%	139,075	12%
Sept.	122,966	122,319	-1%	128,486	5%	134,746	5%
Oct.	123,063	122,452	-0%	124,109	1%	131,445	6%
Nov.	120,012	124,414	4%	128,394	3%	135,610	6%

Dec.	**116,134**	**119,342**	**3%**	**128,677**	**8%**	**136,006**	**6%**
Source: MAFF							

Table 5-B: Japanese Monthly Ending Pork Stock Estimates

Unit: Metric Ton (Carcass Equivalent)								
Month/Year	**2008**	**% Chg.**	**2009**	**% Chg.**	**2010**	**% Chg.**	**2011**	**% Chg.**
Jan.	215,210	-6%	242,187	13%	222,352	-8%	221,793	-0%
Feb.	213,395	-12%	247,941	16%	218,429	-12%	229,346	5%
Mar.	221,711	-8%	252,377	14%	223,313	-12%	226,091	1%
Apr.	238,494	1%	256,396	8%	227,208	-11%	225,358	-1%
May	250,532	-0%	265,288	6%	240,895	-9%	233,488	-3%
Jun.	242,774	-1%	268,905	11%	261,197	-3%	235,265	-10%
Jul.	234,295	-3%	261,222	11%	269,677	3%	228,322	-15%
Aug.	240,890	-1%	248,970	3%	270,292	9%	219,876	-19%
Sept.	240,707	4%	237,154	-1%	258,098	9%	210,201	-19%
Oct.	240,872	6%	228,019	-5%	242,017	6%	210,187	-13%
Nov.	232,638	10%	222,256	-4%	227,482	2%	219,132	-4%
Dec.	**237,377**	**14%**	**217,071**	**-9%**	**218,404**	**1%**	**215,833**	**-1%**
Source: MAFF								

Table 6-A: Japanese Beef Imports, Chilled and Frozen Combined Total

Calendar Year: January – December (Customs Clearance Basis): 2009 - 2011								
Partner Country	**Unit (Metric Ton)**	**Quantity**			**% Share**			**% Change**
		2009	**2010**	**2011**	**2009**	**2010**	**2011**	**2011/2010**
World	MT	481,136	499,531	517,231	100%	100%	100%	4%
Australia	MT	363,907	351,118	338,744	76%	70%	65%	-4%
United States	MT	69,192	91,618	120,605	14%	18%	23%	32%
New Zealand	MT	29,558	31,584	29,739	6%	6%	6%	-6%
Mexico	MT	9,629	11,938	17,406	2%	2%	3%	46%
Canada	MT	8,527	12,926	10,179	2%	3%	2%	-21%
Others	MT	323	347	558	0%	0%	0%	61%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Table 6-B: Japanese Beef Imports, Chilled

Calendar Year: January – December (Customs Clearance Basis): 2009 - 2011								
Partner Country	**Unit (Metric Ton)**	**Quantity**			**% Share**			**% Change**
		2009	**2010**	**2011**	**2009**	**2010**	**2011**	**2011/2010**
World	MT	212,727	211,445	213,400	100%	100%	100%	1%
Australia	MT	168,577	155,036	139,764	79%	73%	65%	-10%
United States	MT	34,535	44,130	61,916	16%	21%	29%	40%
New Zealand	MT	6,057	7,316	7,531	3%	3%	4%	3%
Canada	MT	2,472	3,730	2,909	1%	2%	1%	-22%
Mexico	MT	1,086	1,232	1,280	1%	1%	1%	4%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Table 6-C: Japanese Beef Imports, Frozen

Calendar Year: 2009 – 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	**Unit (Metric Ton)**	**Quantity**			**% Share**			**% Change**
		2009	**2010**	**2011**	**2009**	**2010**	**2011**	**2011/2010**
World	MT	268,408	288,086	303,831	100%	100%	100%	5%
Australia	MT	195,330	196,082	198,979	73%	68%	65%	1%
United States	MT	34,658	47,488	58,689	13%	16%	19%	24%

New Zealand	MT	23,501	24,268	22,207	9%	8%	7%	-8%
Mexico	MT	8,543	10,705	16,126	3%	4%	5%	51%
Canada	MT	6,055	9,196	7,270	2%	3%	2%	-21%
Others	MT	321	347	560	0%	0%	0%	61%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Table 6-D: Japanese Beef Imports, Prepared and Processed Products

Calendar Year: January - December (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	12,901	11,995	11,715	100%	100%	100%	-2%
Australia	MT	5,802	5,677	5,486	45%	47%	47%	-3%
China	MT	1,831	2,525	2,822	14%	21%	24%	12%
Brazil	MT	4,393	2,994	2,761	34%	25%	24%	-8%
Other	MT	875	799	646	7%	7%	6%	-19%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs)								

Table 6-F: Japanese Beef Edible Offal, Frozen

Calendar Year: 2009 – 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit (Metric Ton)	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	38,454	41,763	44,192	100%	100%	100%	6%
Australia	MT	19,942	18,504	17,972	52%	44%	41%	-3%
United States	MT	9,723	13,899	17,186	25%	33%	39%	24%
New Zealand	MT	4,255	3,839	3,666	11%	9%	8%	-5%
Mexico	MT	1,791	2,335	2,375	5%	6%	5%	2%
Canada	MT	1,741	2,146	2,052	5%	5%	5%	-4%
Others	MT	1,002	1,040	941	3%	2%	2%	-10%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Note: Edible offal imports are not reflected in Japan's Beef and Veal PS&D numbers.

Table 7-A: Japanese Pork Imports, Chilled and Frozen Combined Total

Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit (Metric Ton)	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	702,938	753,027	793,097	100%	100%	100%	5%
United States	MT	288,667	298,347	323,750	41%	40%	41%	9%
Canada	MT	172,373	178,648	174,004	25%	24%	22%	-3%
Denmark	MT	122,923	133,586	130,723	17%	18%	16%	-2%
Mexico	MT	43,684	40,855	41,275	6%	5%	5%	1%
Chile	MT	26,172	24,507	28,956	4%	3%	4%	18%
Others	MT	49,119	77,084	94,389	7%	10%	12%	22%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Note: Others are mostly EU countries.

Table 7-B: Japanese Pork Imports, Chilled

Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit (Metric Ton)	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	233,738	231,365	254,416	100%	100%	100%	10%
United States	MT	169,935	167,203	182,590	73%	72%	72%	9%
Canada	MT	52,860	54,434	62,333	23%	24%	25%	15%

Mexico	MT	10,640	9,397	9,190	5%	4%	4%	-2%
Others	MT	303	331	303	0%	0%	0%	-8%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Table 7-C: Japanese Pork Imports, Frozen

Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit (Metric Ton)	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	469,200	521,662	538,680	100%	100%	100%	3%
United States	MT	118,731	131,144	141,161	25%	25%	26%	8%
Denmark	MT	122,923	133,513	130,699	26%	26%	24%	-2%
Canada	MT	119,513	124,214	111,672	25%	24%	21%	-10%
Mexico	MT	33,043	31,458	32,086	7%	6%	6%	2%
Chile	MT	26,172	24,507	28,913	6%	5%	5%	18%
Others	MT	48,818	76,826	94,149	10%	15%	17%	23%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Note: Others are mostly EU countries.

Table 7-D: Japanese Pork Imports, Prepared and Processed

Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	172,599	168,869	171,549	100%	100%	100%	2%
United States	MT	111,547	104,274	110,054	65%	62%	64%	6%
China	MT	27,872	27,815	25,178	16%	16%	15%	-9%
Canada	MT	14,728	16,572	14,598	9%	10%	9%	-12%
Thailand	MT	5,579	7,362	7,345	3%	4%	4%	0%
Chile	MT	4,384	4,848	5,163	3%	3%	3%	6%
Denmark	MT	3,368	3,096	3,453	2%	2%	2%	12%
Mexico	MT	1,575	1,641	2,108	1%	1%	1%	28%
Others	MT	3,546	3,261	3,650	2%	2%	2%	12%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Note: Imports from the United States, Canada, Chile and Mexico are mostly "seasoned ground pork" for sausage manufacturing.

Table 7-F: Japanese Sausage Imports

Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011 (Customs Clearance Basis)								
Partner Country	Unit (Metric Ton)	Quantity			% Share			% Change
		2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2011/2010
World	MT	40,735	43,347	45,702	100%	100%	100%	5%
China	MT	20,645	23,244	23,054	51%	54%	50%	-1%
United States	MT	9,551	8,711	9,231	23%	20%	20%	6%
Thailand	MT	5,083	5,425	7,796	12%	13%	17%	44%
Brazil	MT	1,587	1,893	1,567	4%	4%	3%	-17%
Denmark	MT	1,300	1,367	1,215	3%	3%	3%	-11%
Others	MT	2,569	2,707	2,839	6%	6%	6%	5%
Source: Global Trade Atlas (Japan Customs Data)								

Table 8: Year Beginning Livestock Inventory as of February 1

Unit: 1,000 Farms/1,000 Heads							
	2008	2009	%chg	2010	%chg	2011	%chg
Number of Beef Cattle Farms	80.4	77.3	-4%	74.4	-4%	69.6	-6%
Beef Cattle (Wagyu and Other)	1,823	1,889	4%	1,924	2%	1,868	-3%
Dairy Cattle for Beef	431	431	0%	421	-2%	412	-2%
F-1 Cross Bred Cattle	636	636	0%	547	-14%	483	-12%
'Sub Total Dairy & F-1 Cattle for Beef	1,067	1,067	0%	968	-9%	895	-8%
Total Beef Cattle Raised	**2,890**	**2,956**	**2%**	**2,892**	**-2%**	**2,763**	**-4%**

Number of Dairy Cattle Farms	24.4	23.1	-5%	21.9	-5%	21.0	-4%
Total Dairy Cow and Heifer Raised	**1,533**	**1,500**	**-2%**	**1,484**	**-1%**	**1,467**	**-1%**
Total Cattle Raised	**4,423**	**4,456**	**1%**	**4,376**	**-2%**	**4,230**	**-3%**
Historic Series of Japanese Swine Inventory							
	2008	**2009**	**%chg**	**2010**	**%chg**	**2011**	**%chg**
Number of Swine Farms	7.2	6.9	-4%	N.A.		6.0	
Number of Hogs Raised for Fattening	8,117	8,220	1%	N.A.		8,186	
Total Swine Raised	**9,745**	**9,899**	**2%**	**N.A.**		**9,768**	
Source: MAFF Livestock Statistics							
Due to Agricultural Census to be conducted every five year, only the cattle inventory data for the year beginning of 2010 was announced, but for the hog inventory, statistical data collection was not made.							