

A GLANCE AT BEEF AND VEAL MARKET

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Slaughter volume (head) in 2021

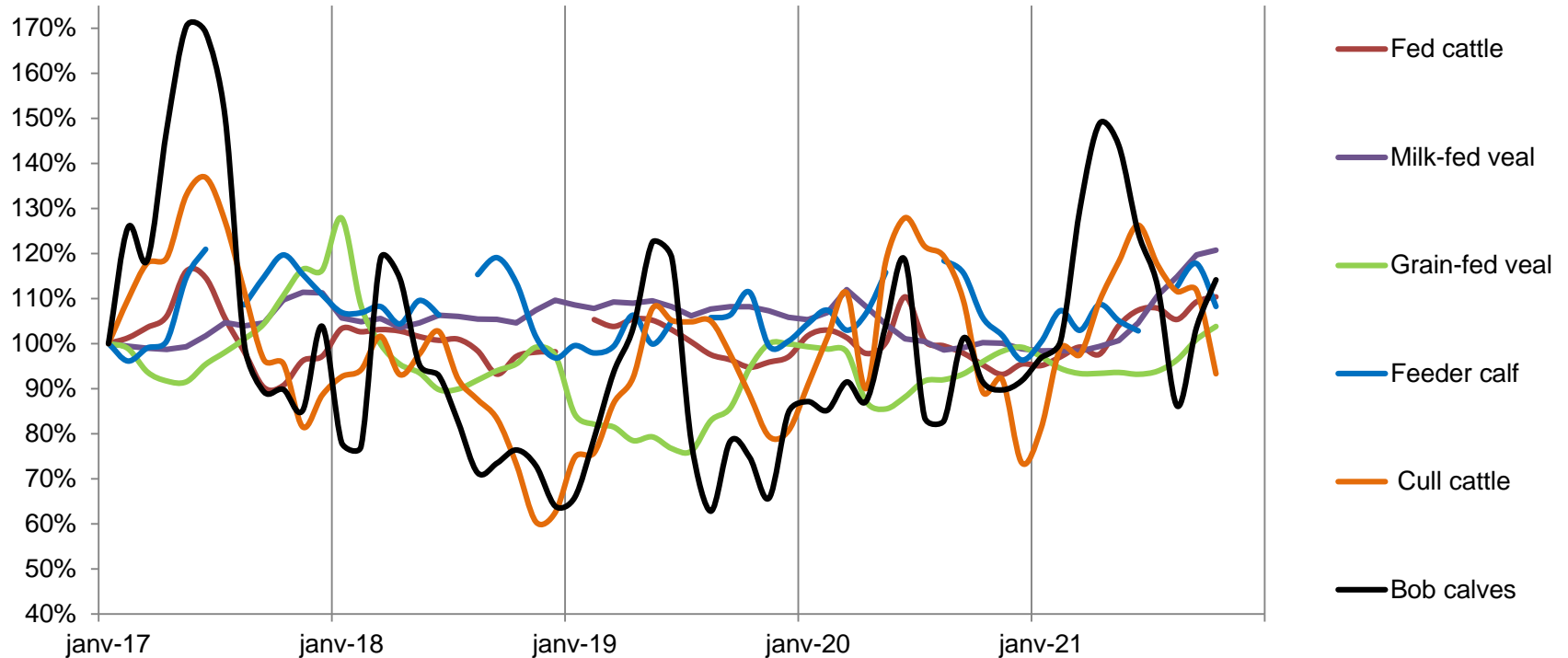
		Canada			United-States
		West	East	Total	Total
Steers and heifers	2021	1 868 265	472 430	2 340 695	21 072 000
	% chg 2020	10 %	4 %	9 %	4 %
Cows and bulls	2021	288 368	92 540	380 908	5 797 000
	% chg 2020	14 %	9 %	13 %	6 %
Milk fed and grain fed calves	2021			131 959	111 176
	% chg 2020			0,8 %	- 26%

Sources :

AAFC (Year to date)

USDA (Year to date)

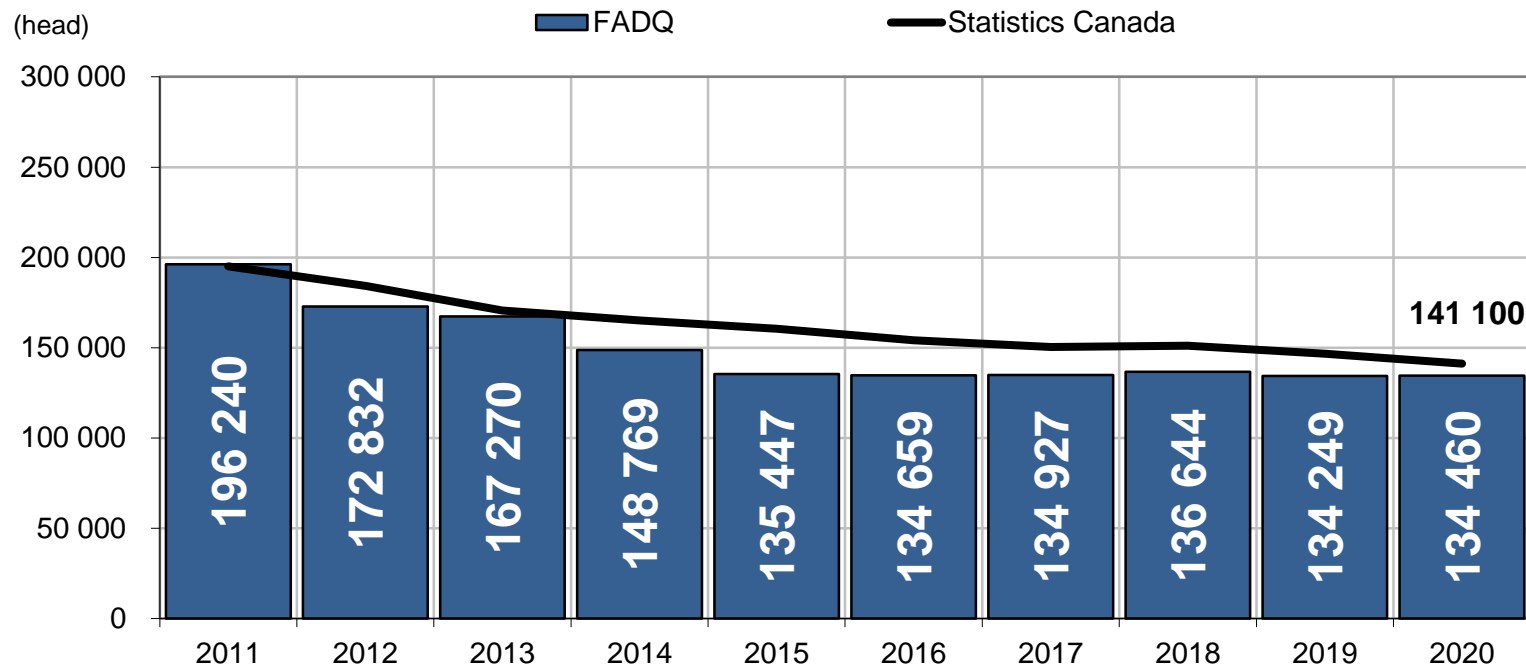
Price variation of cattle in Quebec since January 2017



Source :
• PBQ

Feeder calf

Number of beef cows in Quebec

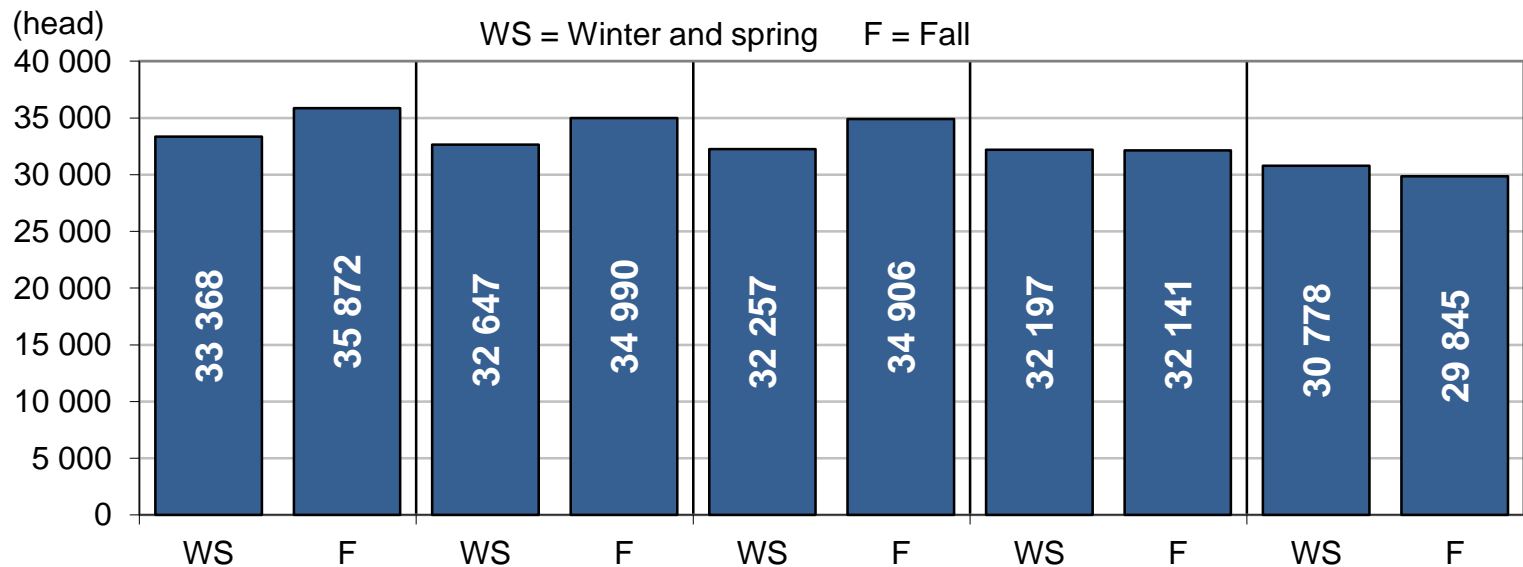


Sources :

- Number of beef cows on farms (annual average), FADQ cow calf ASRA Program
- Number of beef cows on farms on January 1st, Statistics Canada

Feeder calf

Feeder calves in Quebec specialized auctions (numbers and weights)



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Head	69 240	67 637	67 163	64 338	60 623
Weight (lb)	658	659	657	664	667

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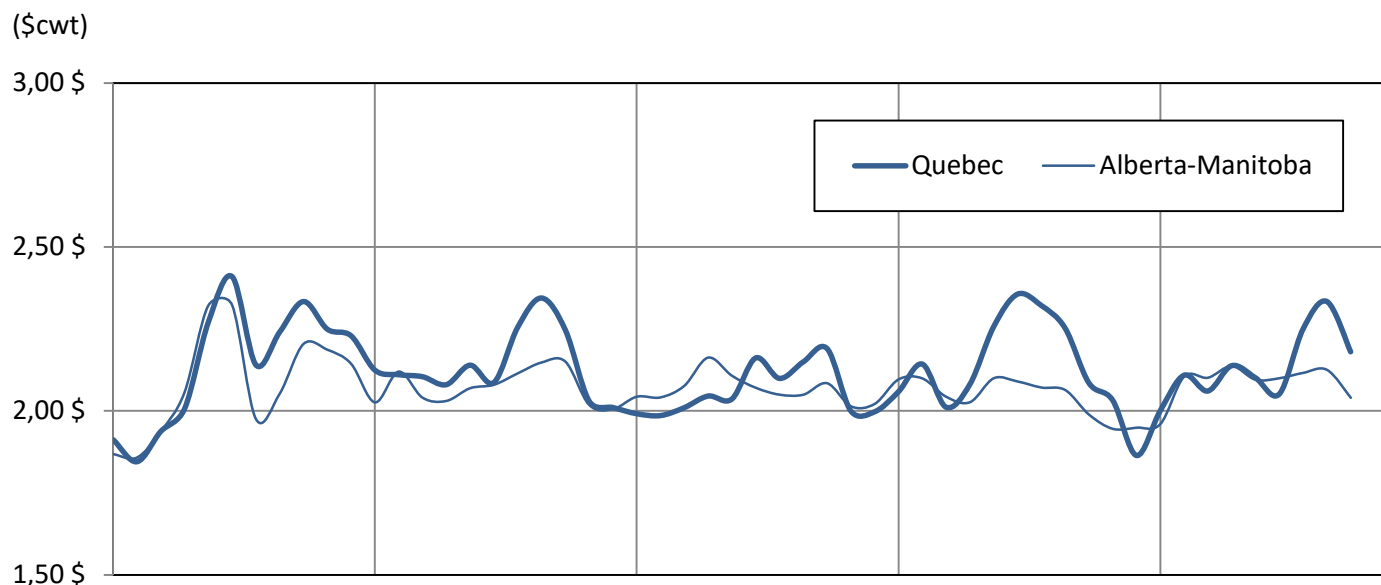
Source :

Number and average weight of feeder calves sold in the specialized market auctions in Quebec, PBQ

Feeder calf

Price of male feeder calves (600-700 lb)

Quebec and Alberta-Manitoba



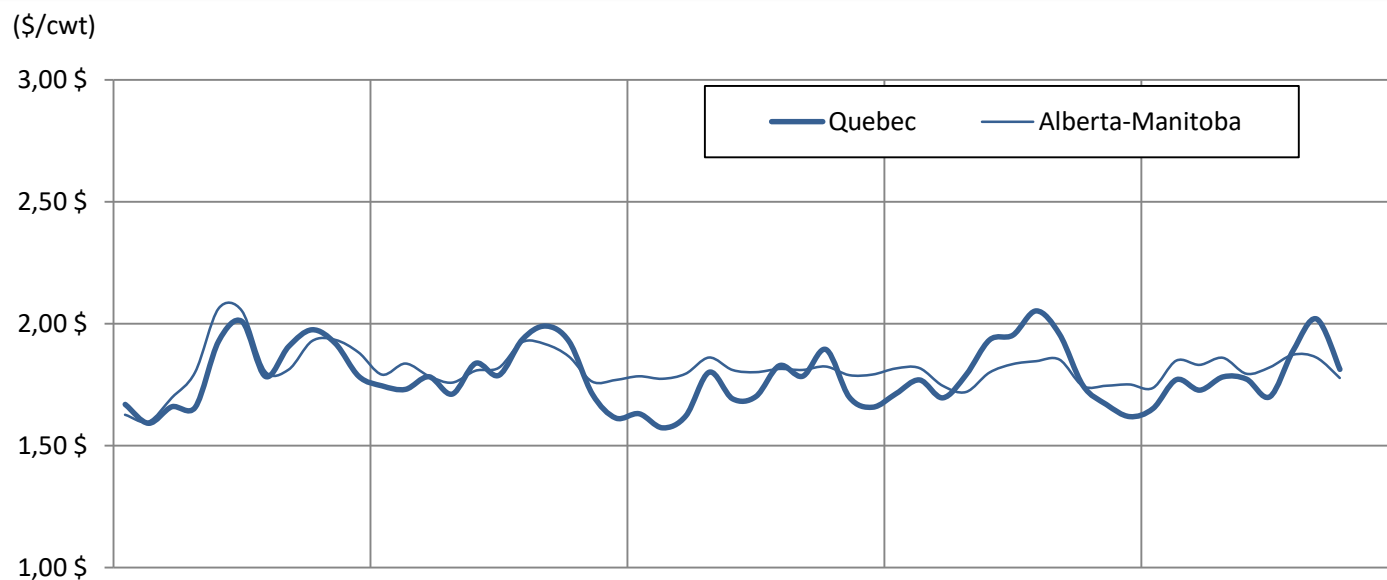
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Quebec	2,14 \$	2,14 \$	2,06 \$	2,13 \$	2,14 \$
Que-(Alb-Man)	0,06 \$	0,07 \$	0,00 \$	0,09 \$	0,05 \$

Sources :

- Quebec : Price of male feeder calves, 600 to 700 lb, sold in the specialized market auctions in Quebec, PBQ
- Alberta-Manitoba : Price of male feeder calves, 600 to 700 lb, sold in the market auctions in Alberta and Manitoba, Canfax

Feeder calf

Price of female feeder calves (600-700 lb) Quebec and Alberta-Manitoba



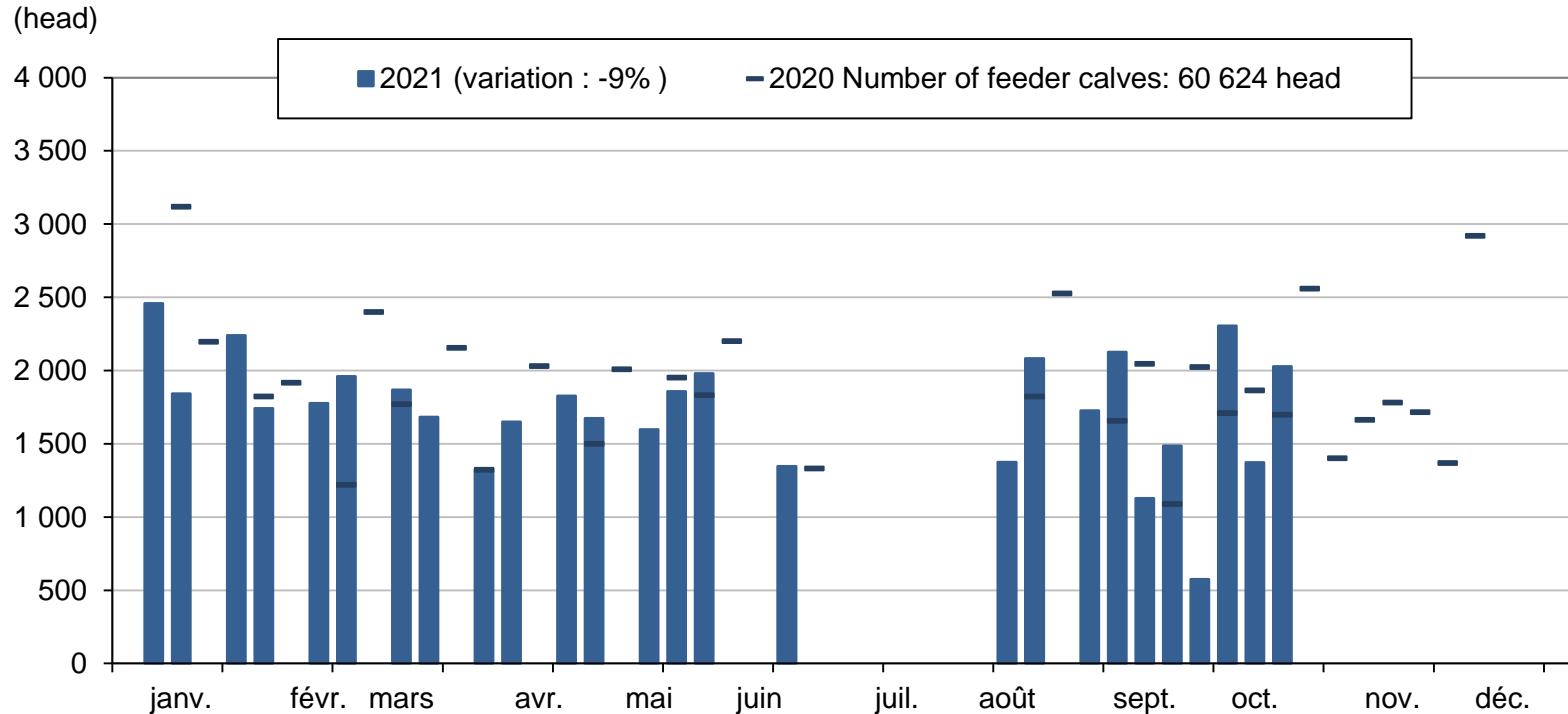
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Quebec	1,84 \$	1,82 \$	1,81 \$	1,81 \$	1,79 \$
Que-(Alb-Man)	-0,03 \$	-0,02 \$	-0,09 \$	0,02 \$	-0,03 \$

Sources :

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- Alberta-Manitoba : Price of female feeder calves, 600 to 700 lb, sold in the market auctions in Alberta and Manitoba, Canfax

Feeder calf

Number of feeder calves in Quebec specialized auctions 2020-2021

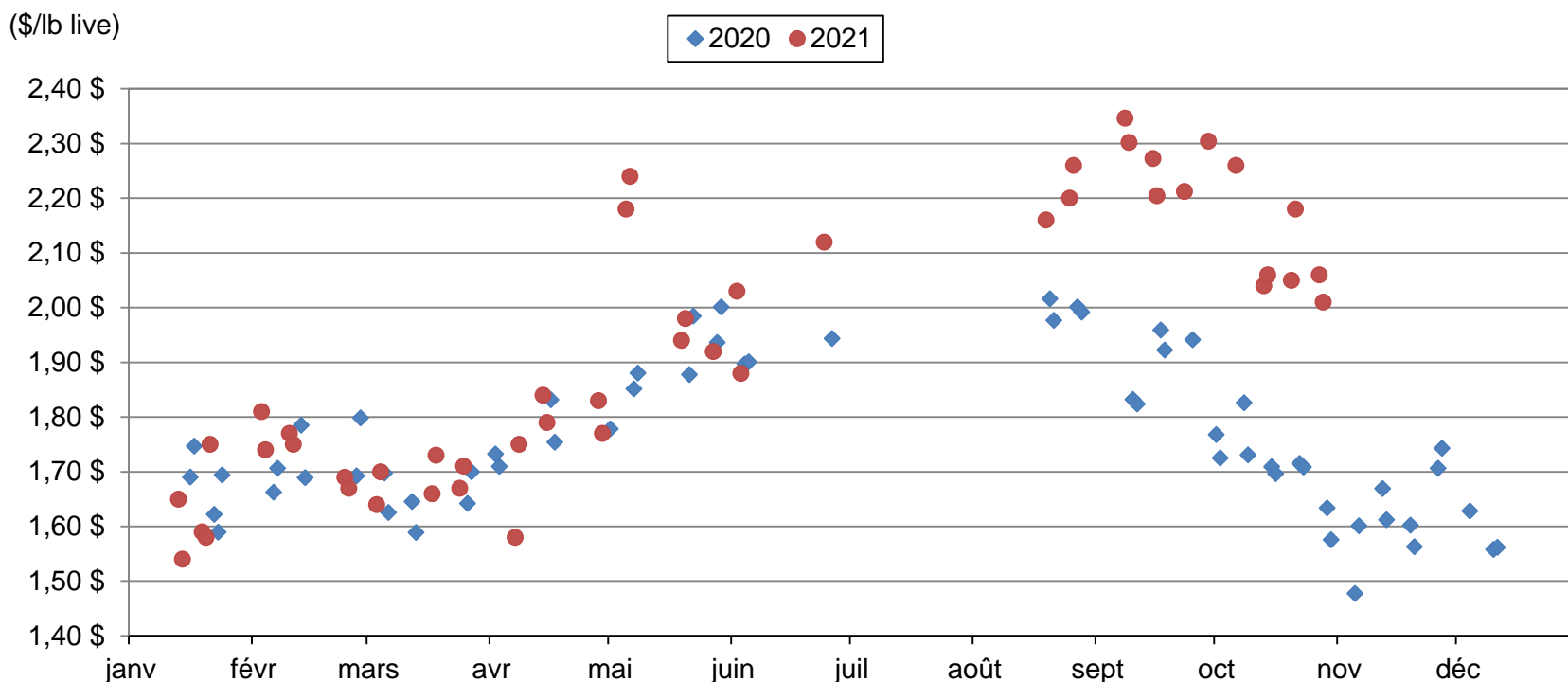


Source :
Number of feeder calves in Quebec specialized auctions in Quebec, PBQ

Feeder calf

Price of female feeder calves (600-700 lb)

Quebec specialized auctions 2020-2021

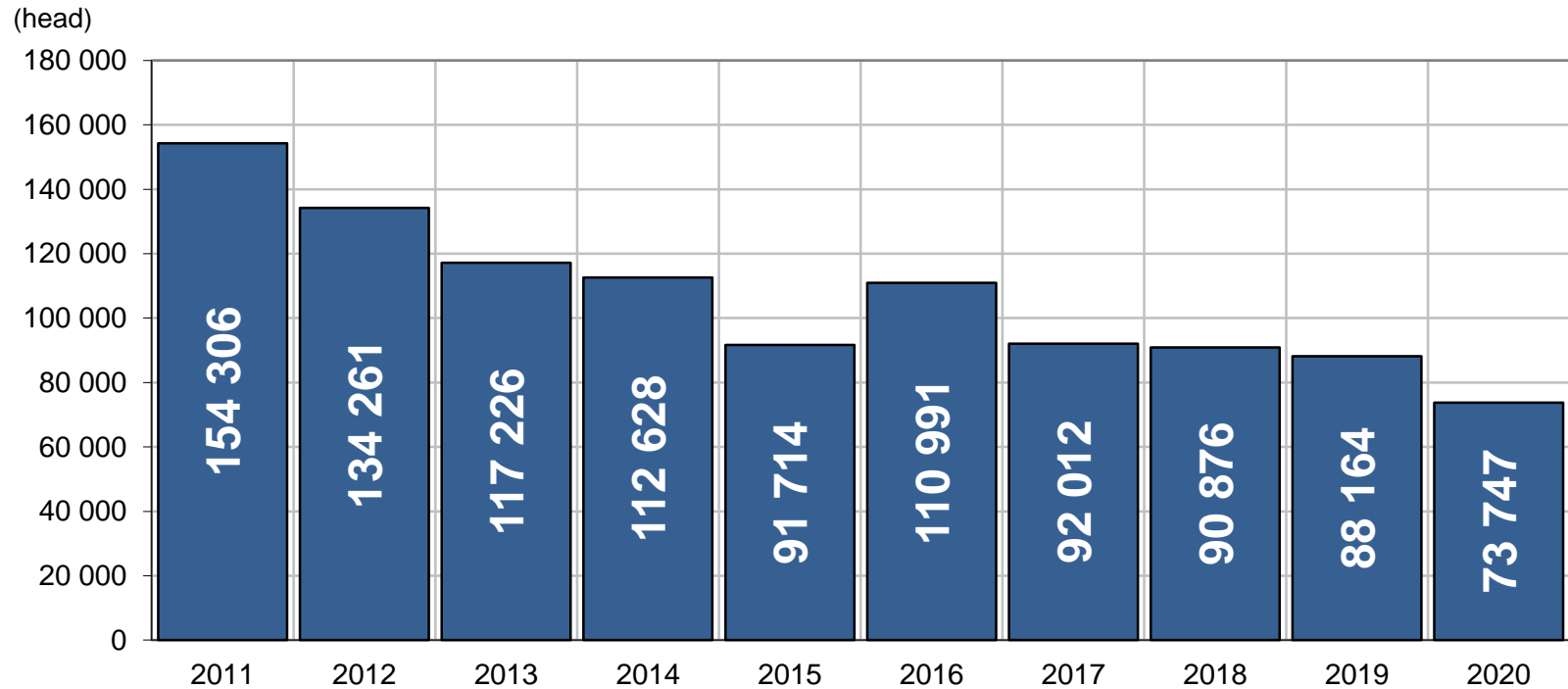


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Fed cattle

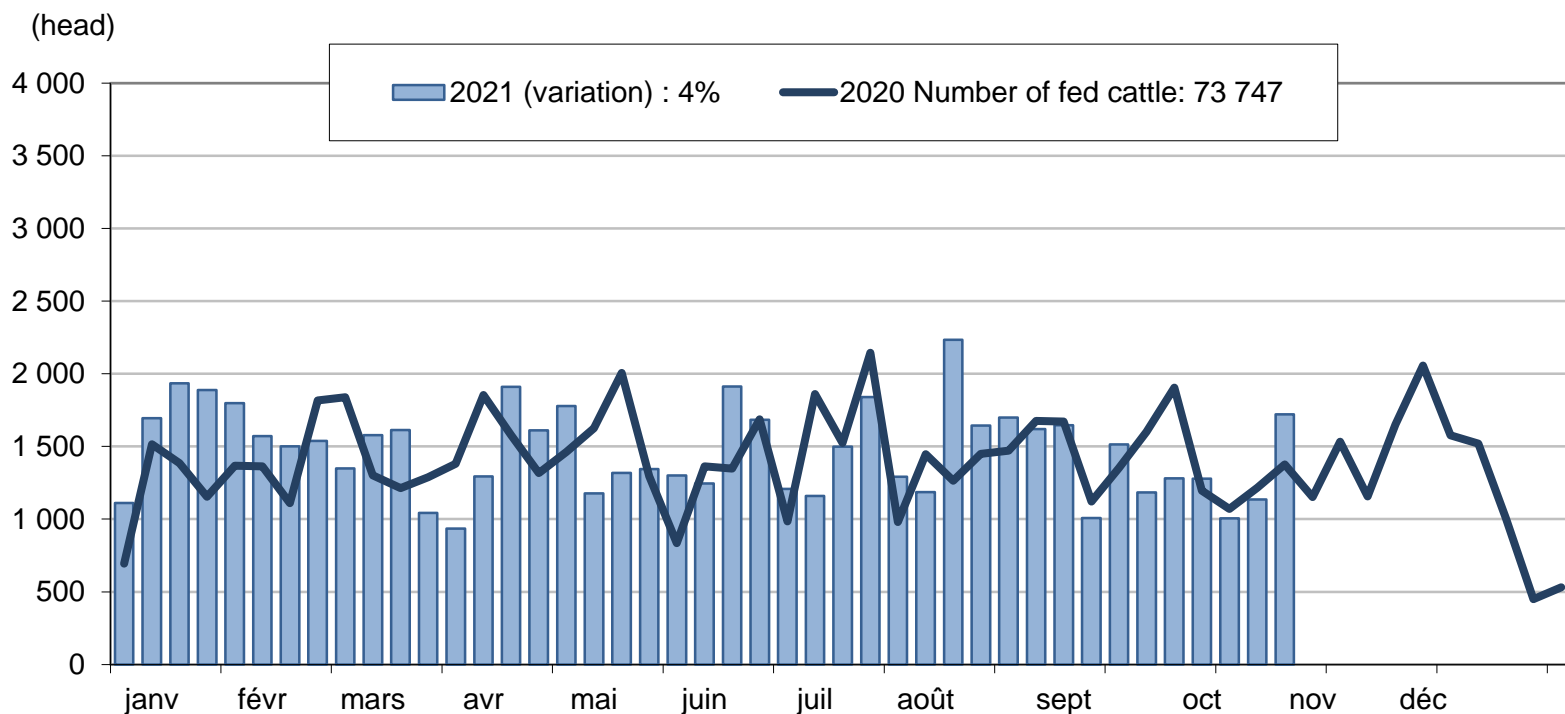
Number of cattle fed in Quebec



Source :
Number of fed cattle marketed by Quebec producers , PBQ

Fed cattle

Number of cattle fed in Quebec 2020-2021



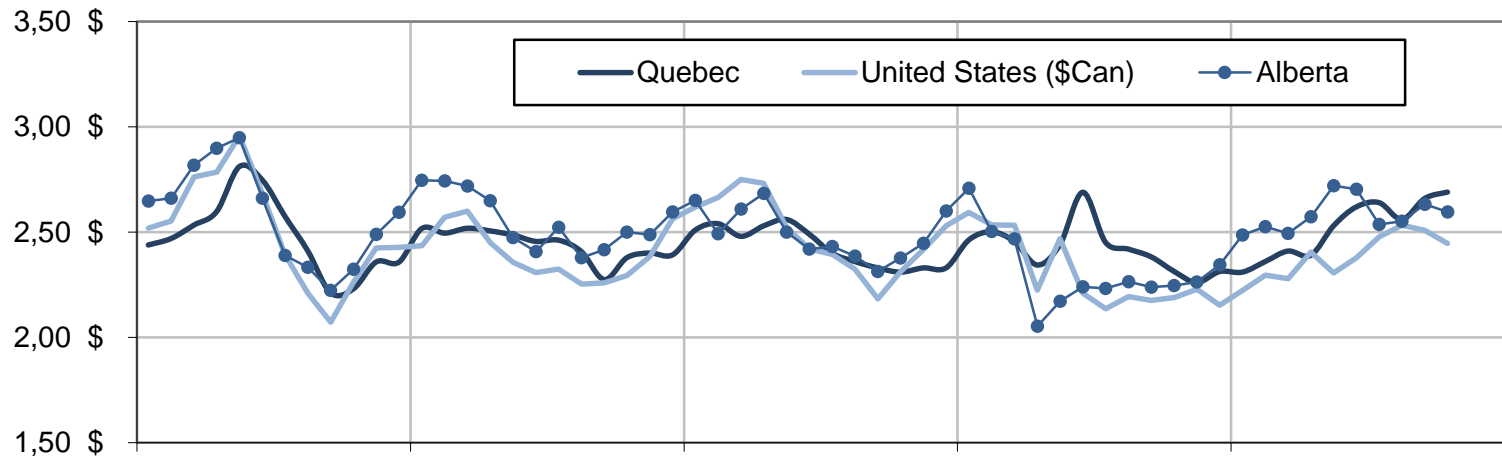
Source:

- Number of fed cattle marketed by Quebec producers , PBQ

Fed cattle

Price of fed cattle in Quebec, Alberta and United-States

(\$/lb hot carcasse, males, bid price)



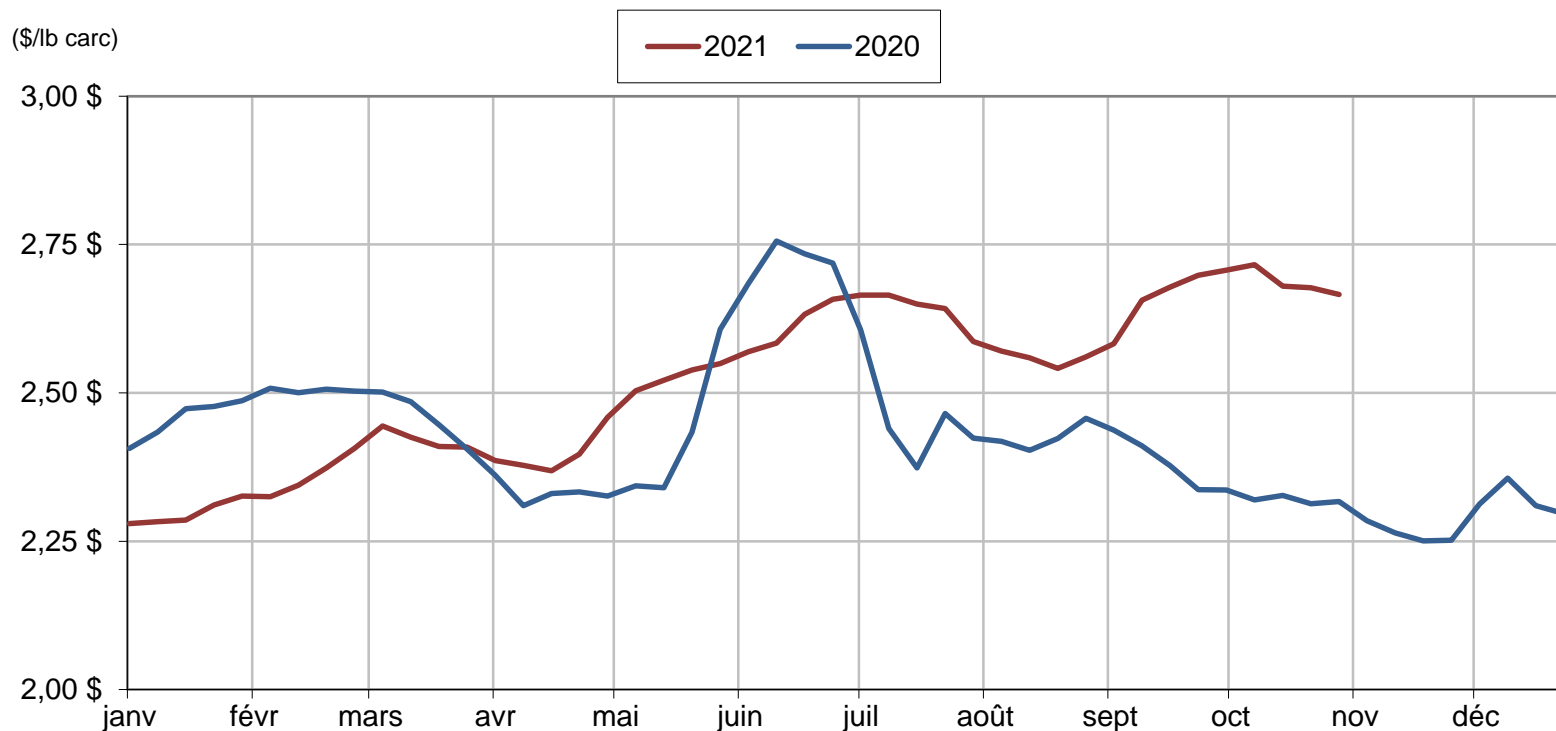
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Quebec	2,48 \$	2,44 \$	2,43 \$	2,42 \$	2,52 \$
Que-Ont	-0,05 \$	-0,01 \$	-0,03 \$	0,01 \$	-0,03 \$
Que-US	-0,03 \$	0,04 \$	-0,06 \$	0,12 \$	0,13 \$
Que-Alb	-0,10 \$	-0,11 \$	-0,06 \$	0,11 \$	-0,07 \$

Sources :

- Quebec : Bid price for steers, complete loads, sold to Canada and United-States, spot market, FOB, PBQ
- Ontario : Bid price for steers, direct sales, OCA
- Alberta : Bid price for steers, direct sales, Canfax
- United-States : Bid price for steers, direct sales, Five Area, USDA

Fed cattle

Price of fed cattle in Quebec 2020-2021

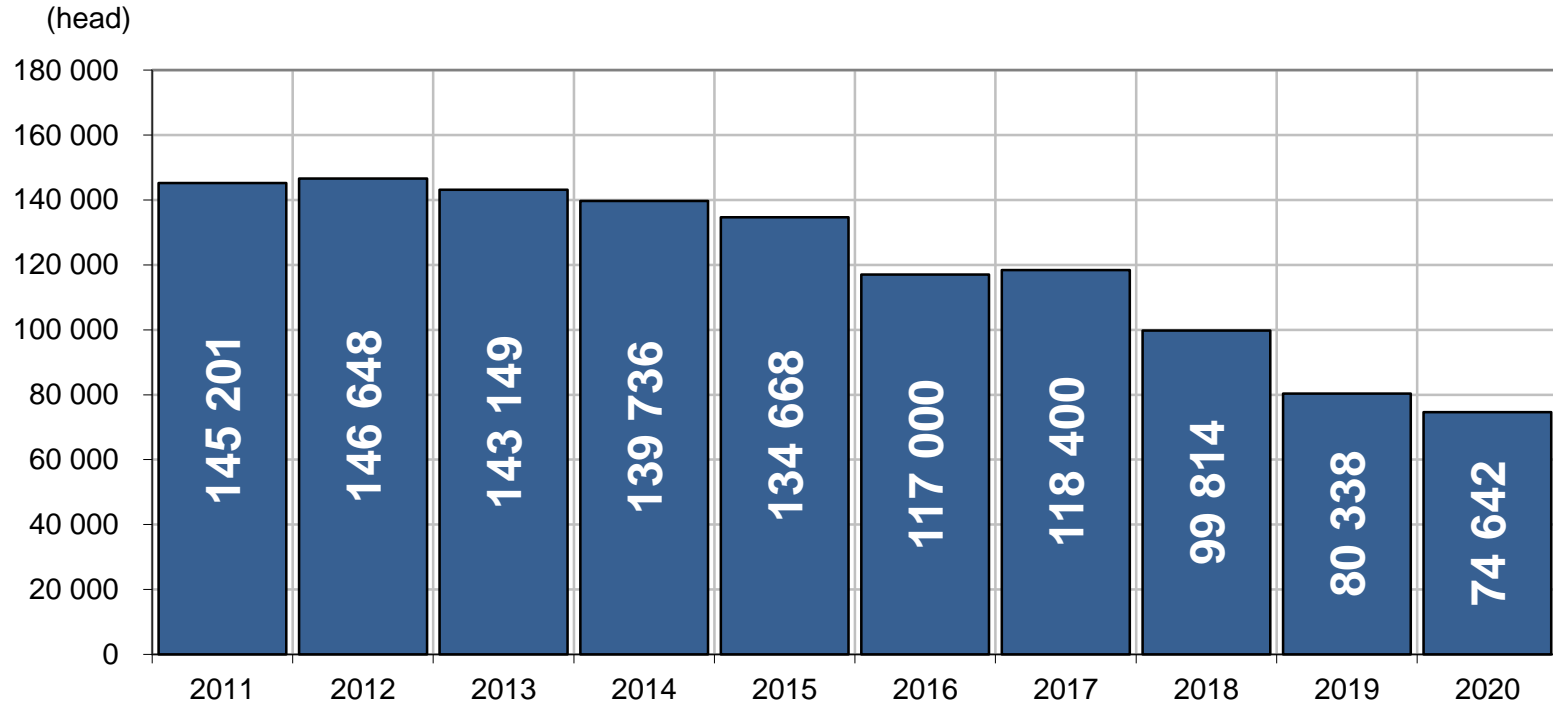


Sources :

- Bid price for steers, complete loads, sold to Canada and United-States, spot market, FOB, PBQ

Milk-fed veal

Number of calves fed in Quebec

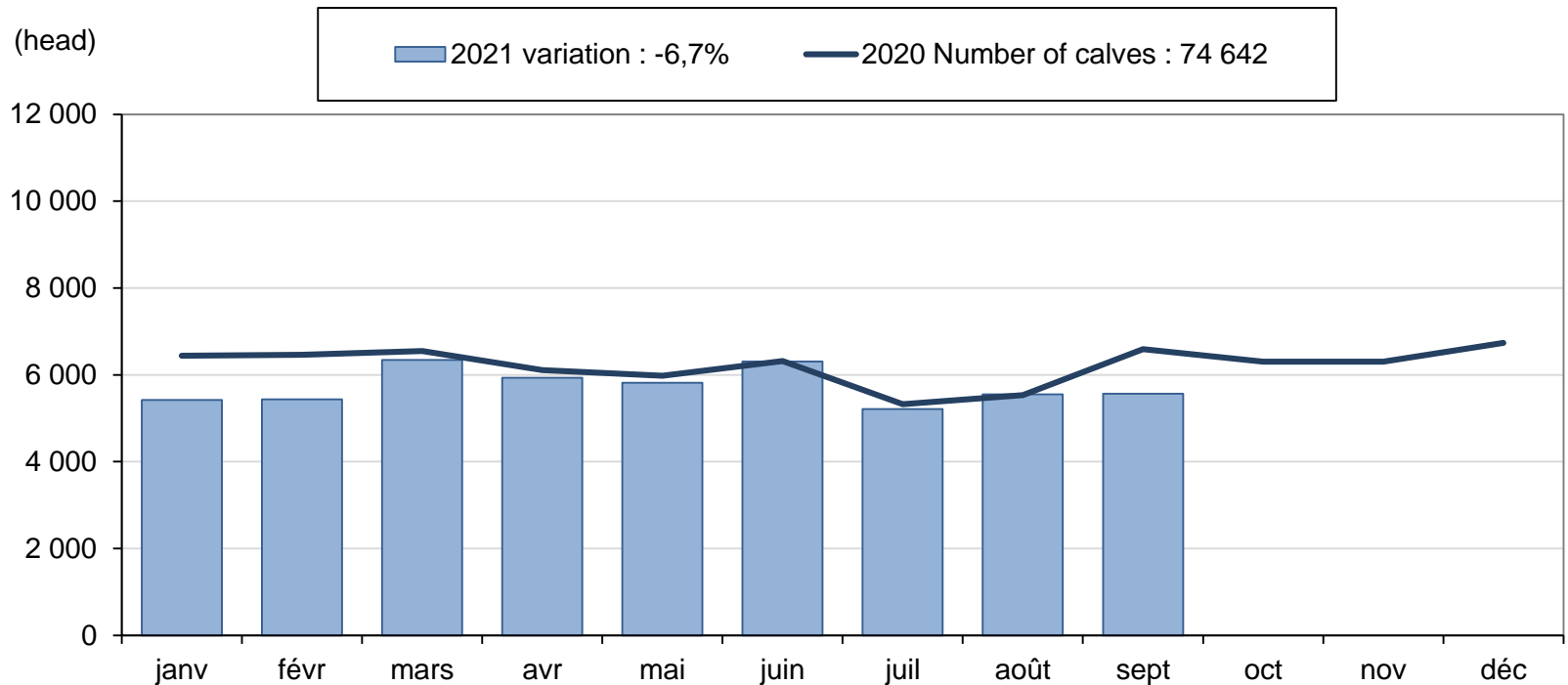


Sources :

- Quebec: Number of calves fed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Milk-fed veal

Number of calves fed in Quebec 2020-2021



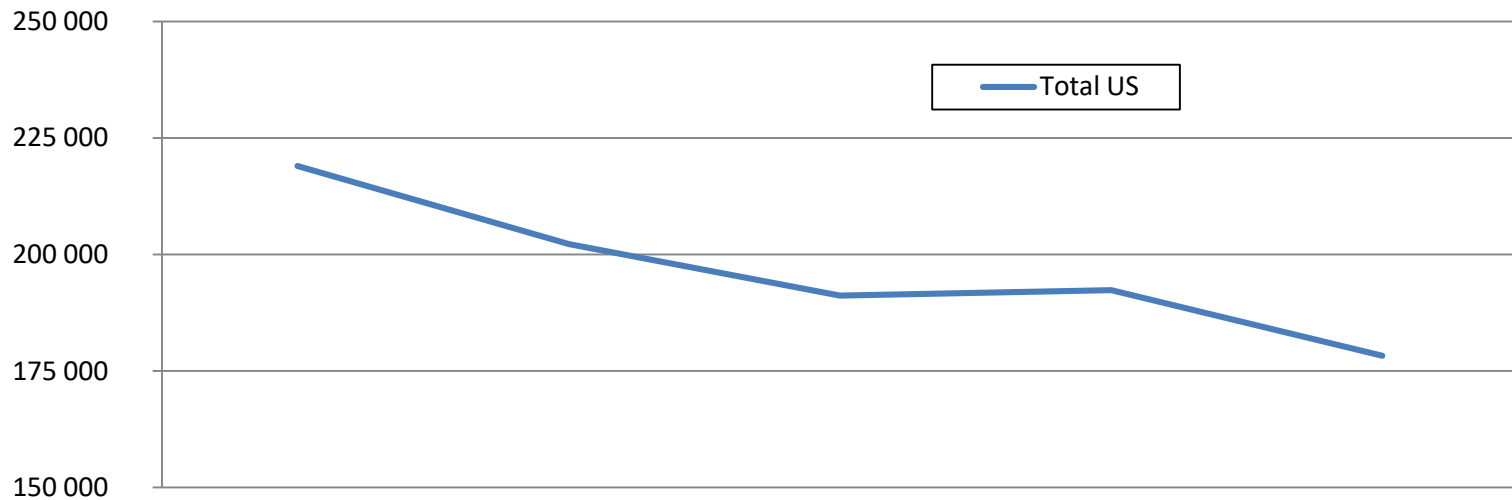
Sources :

- Quebec: Number of calves fed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Milk-fed veal

Number of calves slaughtered in United-States

(head)



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total US	218 964	202 206	191 202	192 363	178 273

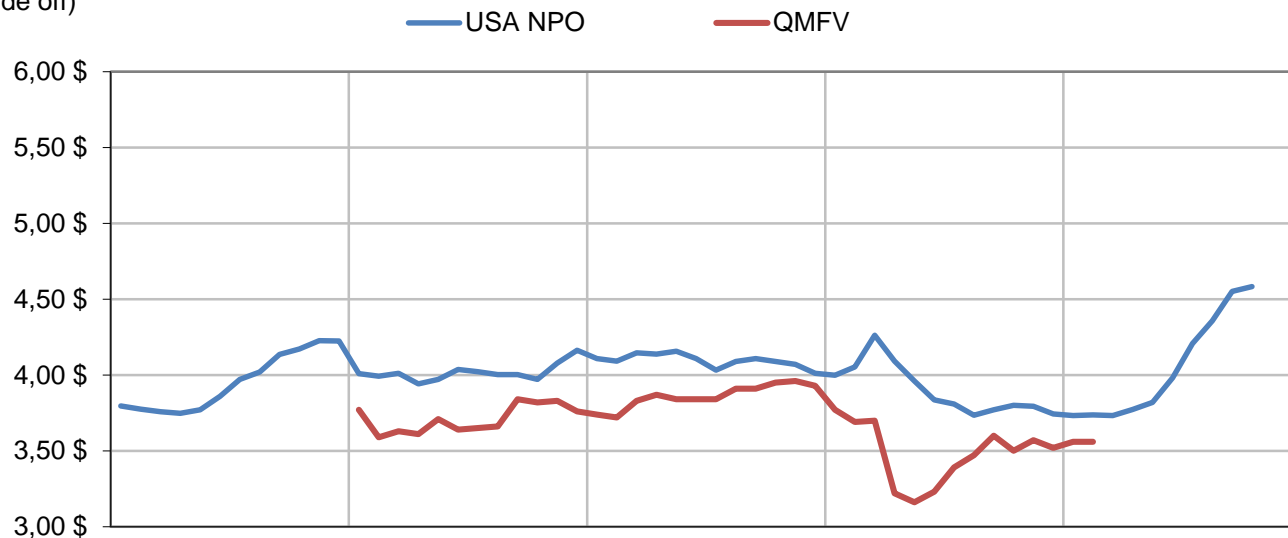
Sources :

- Number of special fed veal slaughtered in North-east and North-central of United-States, USDA

Milk-fed veal

Price of milk-fed veal calves in Quebec and United-States

(\$ CAN/lb carcass hide off)



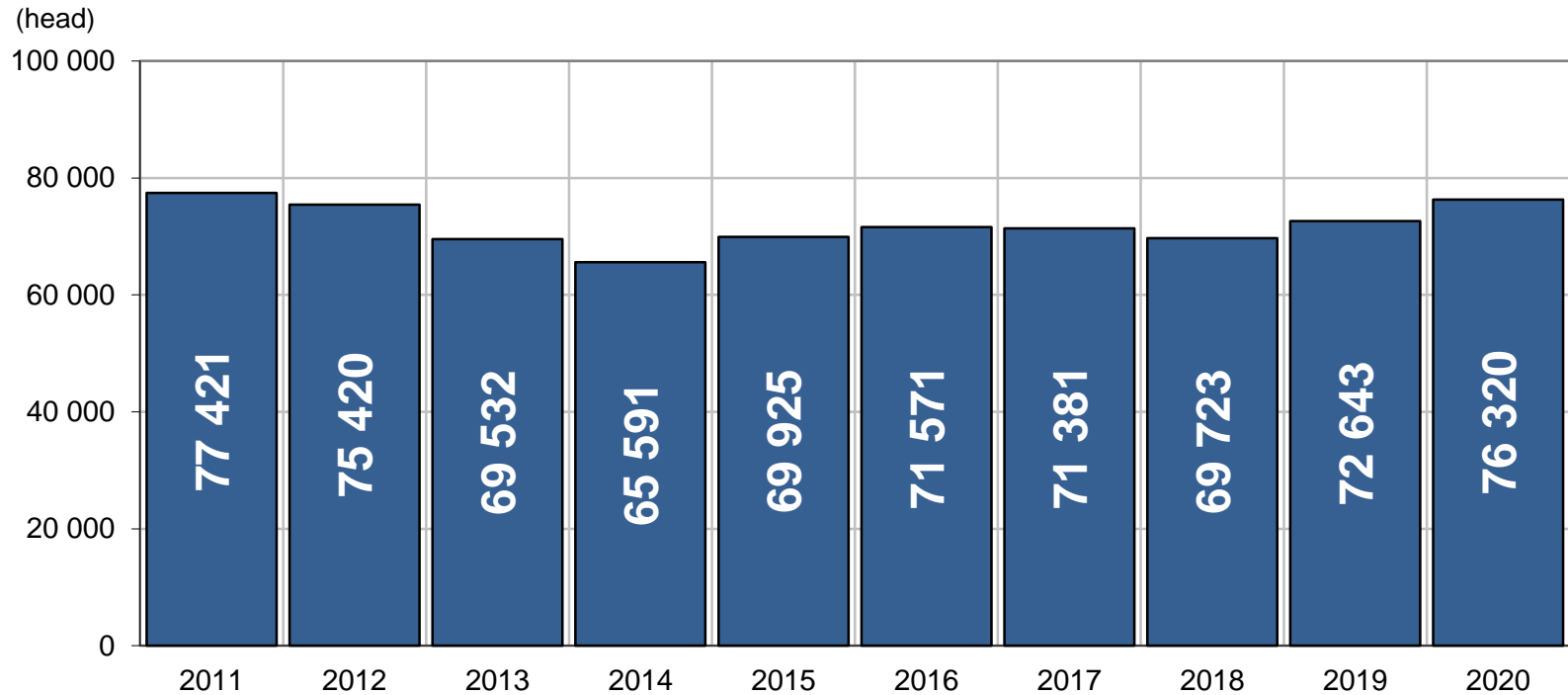
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
USA-NPO	3,87 \$	4,02 \$	4,10 \$	3,90 \$	4,05 \$
QMFV	0,00 \$	0,00 \$	3,86 \$	3,49 \$	3,56 \$

Sources :

- USDA : USDA converted to \$ CAN. Gross price.
- QMFV : net price collected by CECPA.

Grain-fed veal

Number of calves fed in Quebec

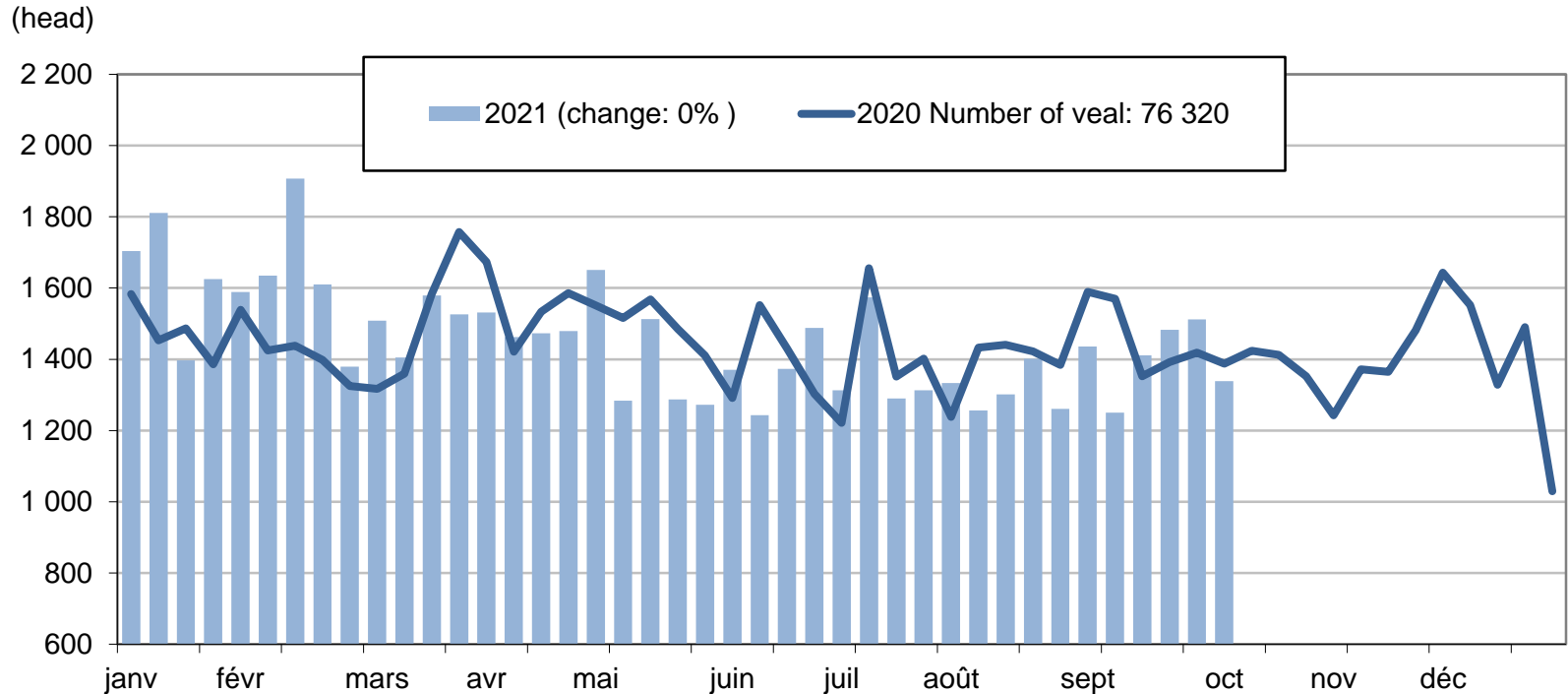


Sources :

- Quebec: Number of calves fed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Grain-fed veal

Number of calves fed in Quebec 2020-2021



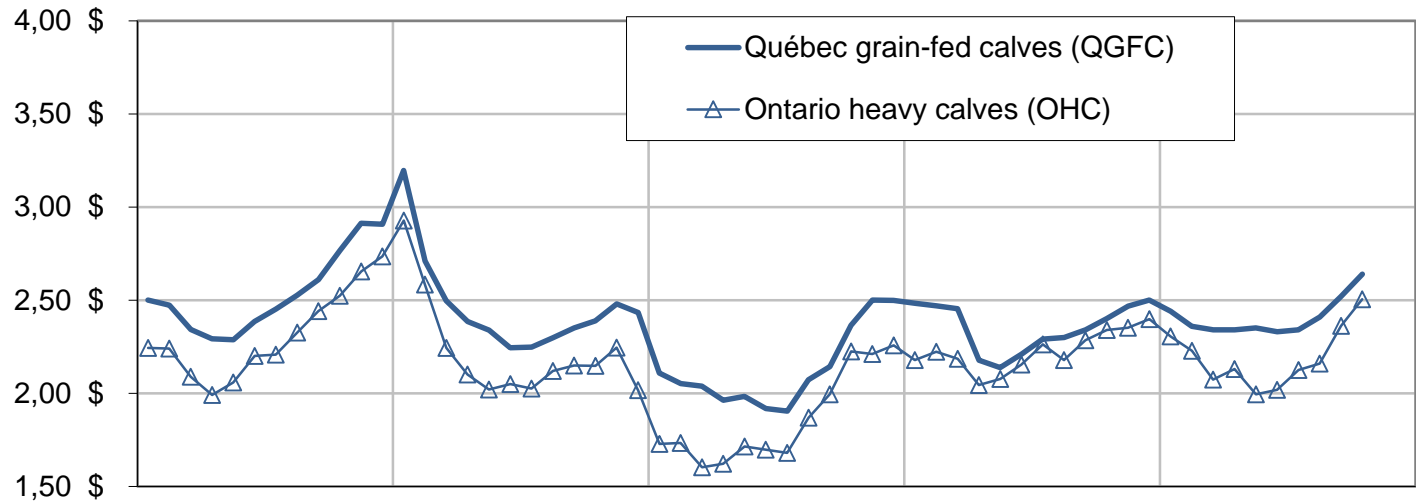
Sources :

- Quebec: Number of calves fed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Grain-fed veal

Price of grain-fed veal calves in Quebec and Ontario

(\$/lb carcass hide off)



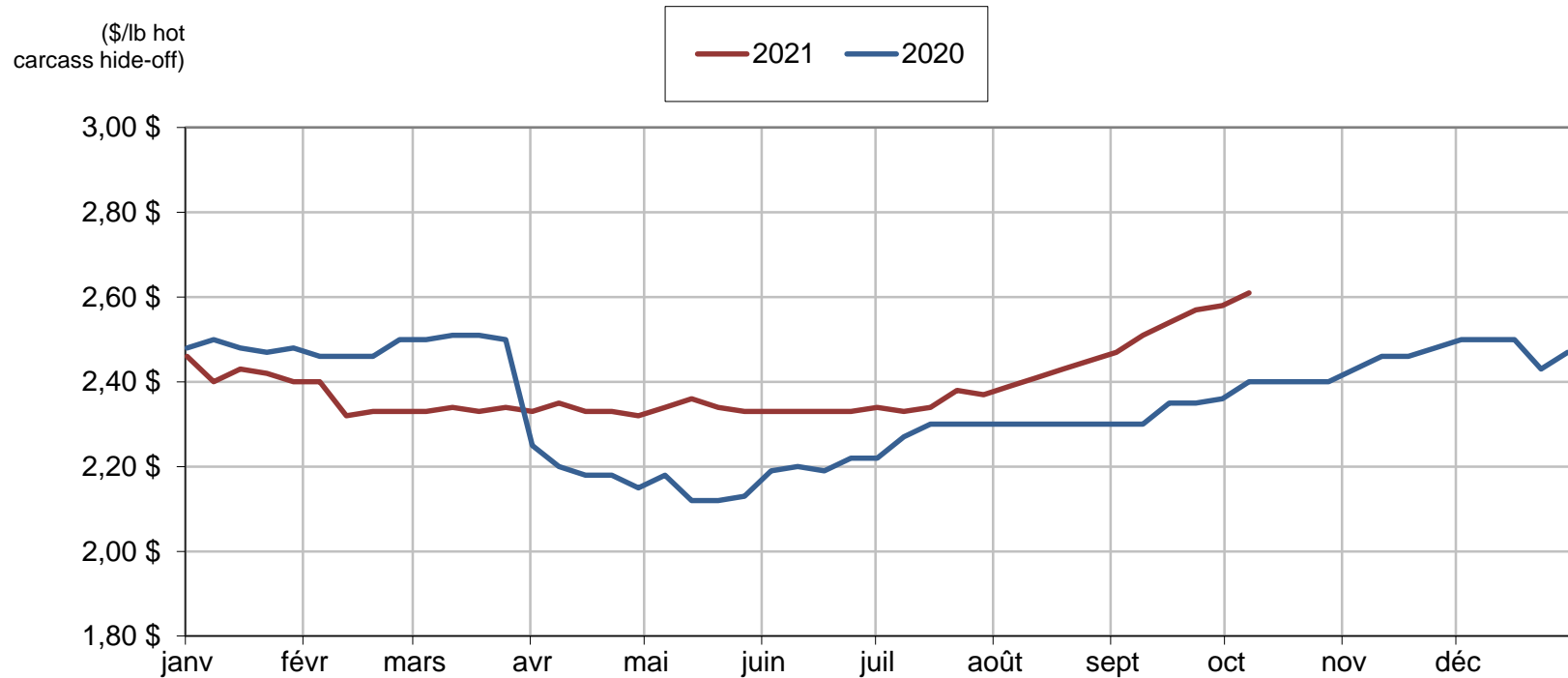
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
QGFC	2,54 \$	2,46 \$	2,13 \$	2,35 \$	2,38 \$
QGFC-OHC	0,23 \$	0,24 \$	0,27 \$	0,13 \$	0,22 \$

Sources :

- Quebec : Net price (auction price minus floor price program), PBQ
- Ontario : weekly price, category over 600 lbs, OCA

Grain-fed veal

Price of grain-fed veal calves in Quebec 2020-2021

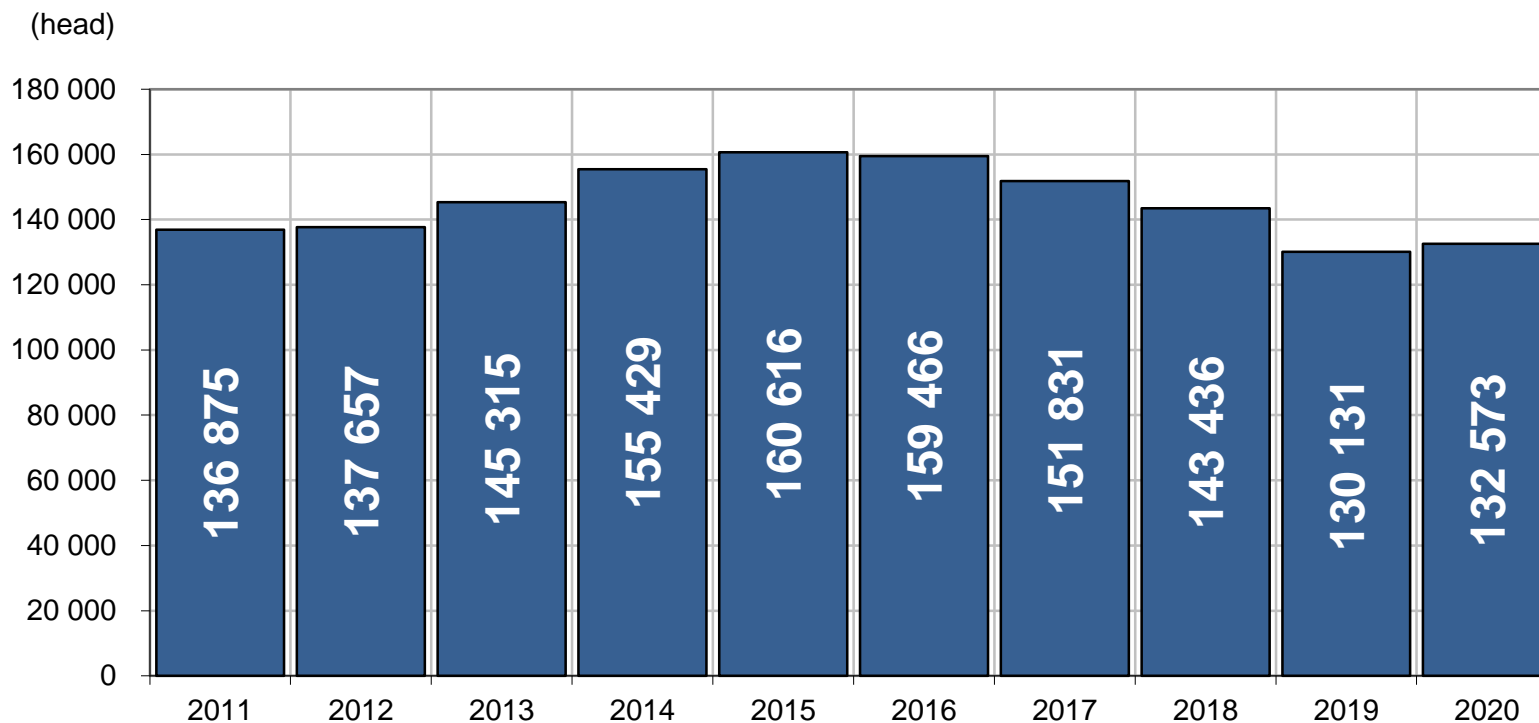


Sources :

- Quebec : Net price (auction price minus floor price program), PBQ

Bob calves

Number of bob calves marketed in Quebec

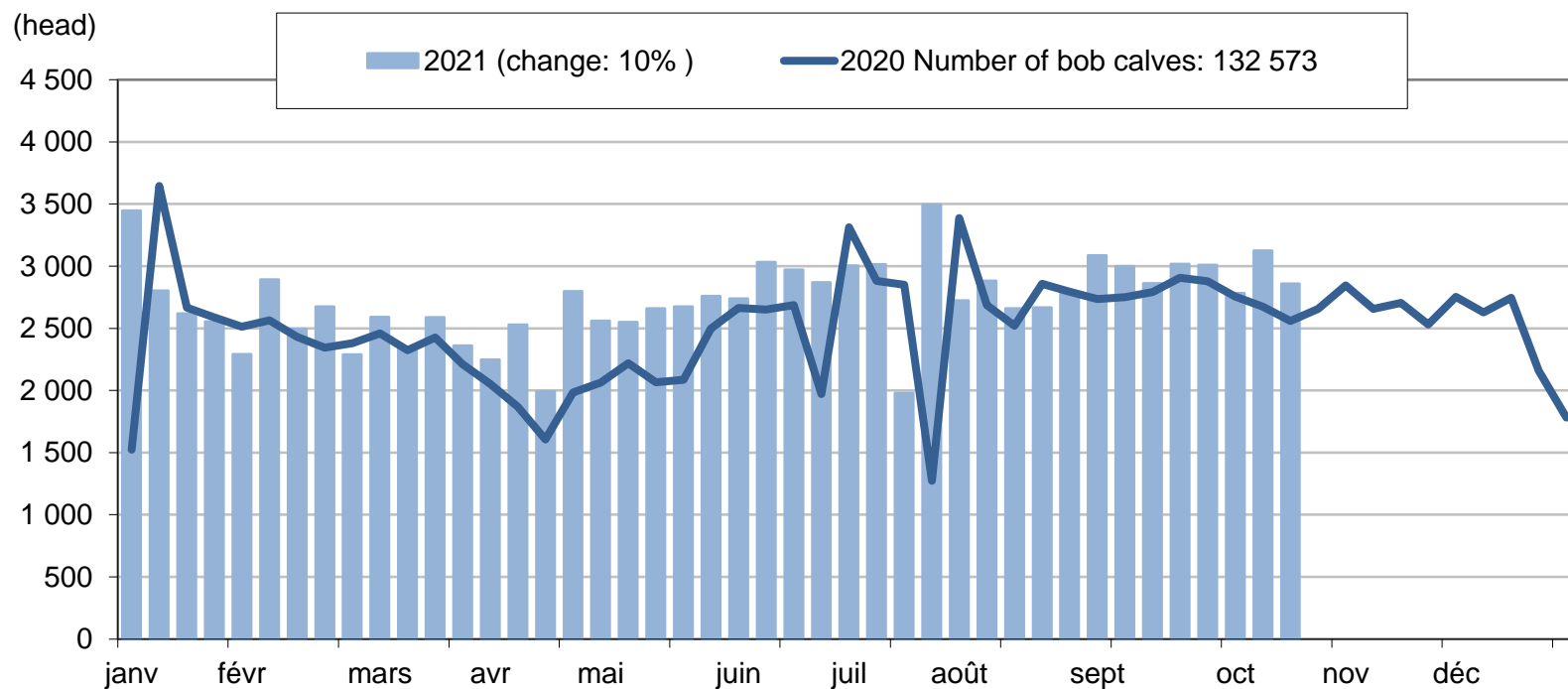


Source :

- Number of calves marketed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Bob calves

Number of bob calves marketed in Quebec 2020-2021

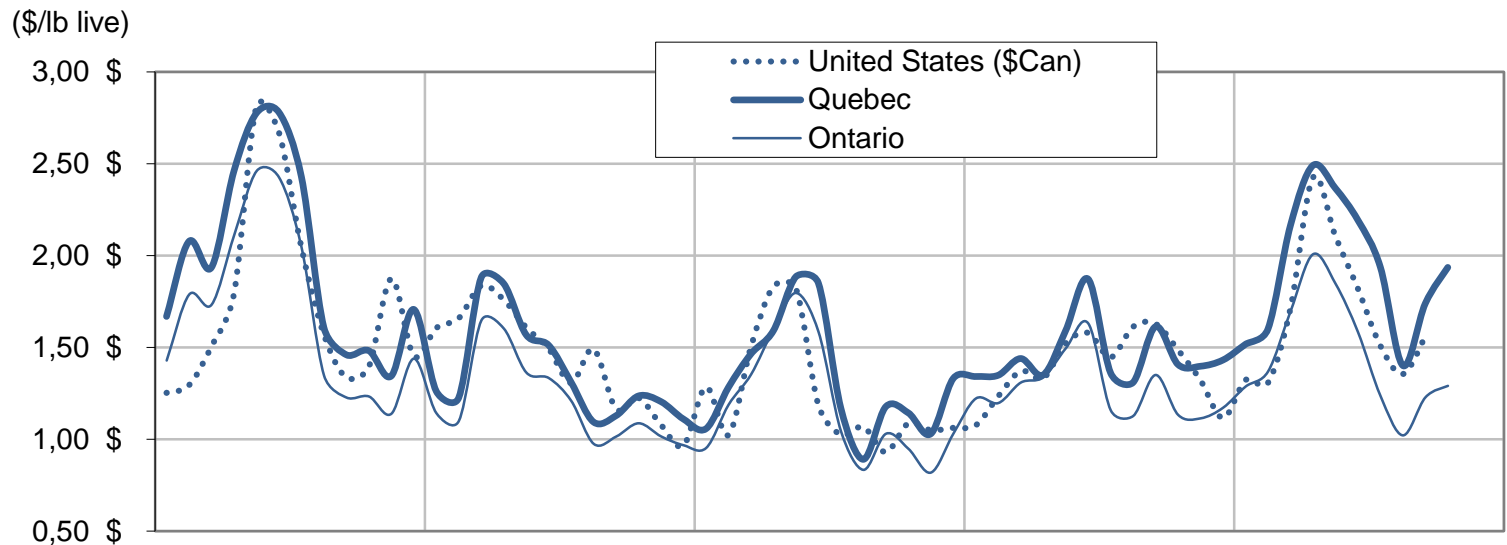


Sources :

- Number of calves marketed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Bob calves

Price of good replacement bob calves in Quebec, Ontario and United-States



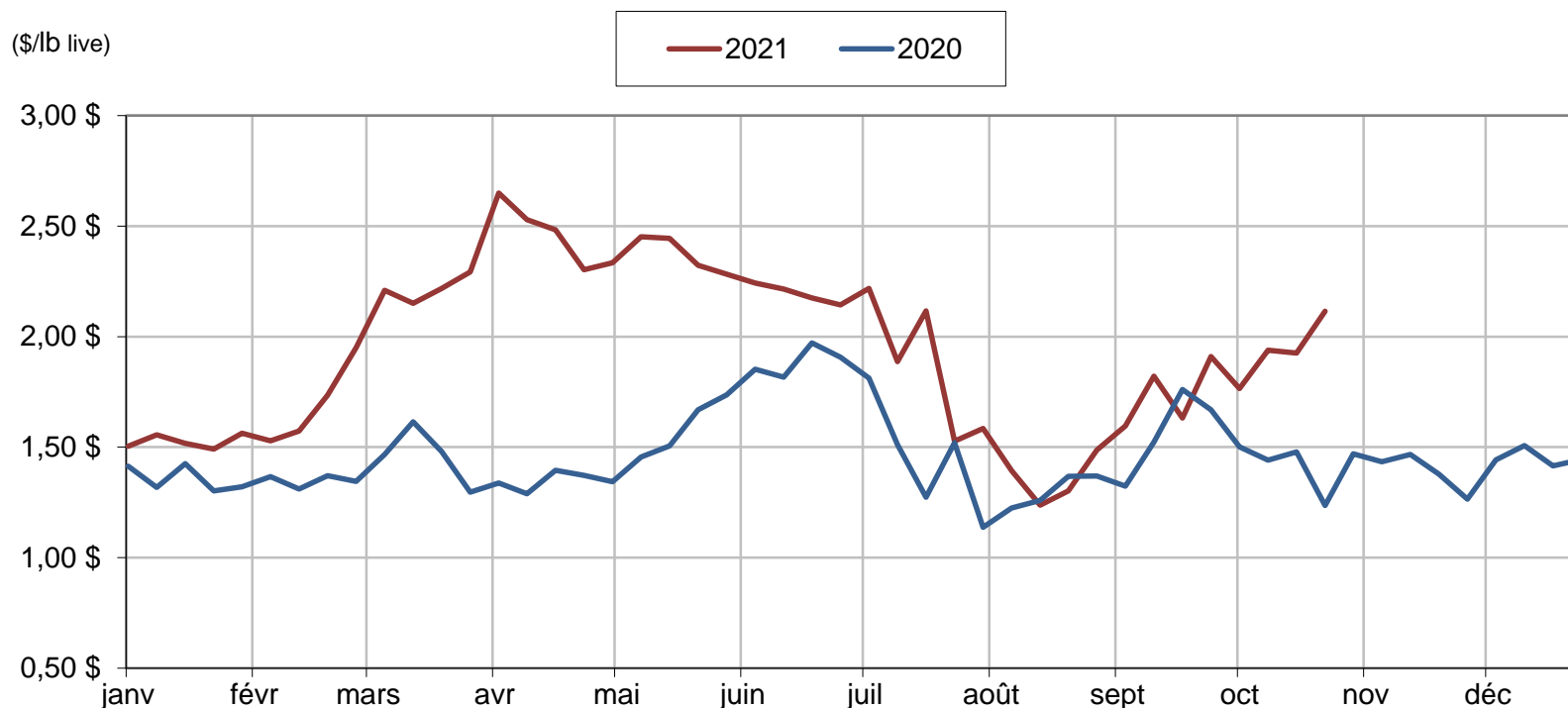
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Quebec	1,98 \$	1,36 \$	1,32 \$	1,46 \$	1,93 \$
Que-US	0,23 \$	-0,07 \$	0,08 \$	0,06 \$	0,25 \$
Que-Ont	0,28 \$	0,16 \$	0,14 \$	0,19 \$	0,48 \$

Sources :

- Quebec : Price of good replacement bob calves marketed in Quebec auctions, PBQ
- Ontario : Price of male replacement bob calves marketed in Ontario auctions, OCA
- United States : Price of male replacement bob calves marketed in New Holland, Pennsylvania auctions, converted in \$ CAN

Bob calves

Price of good replacement bob calves in Quebec 2020-2021

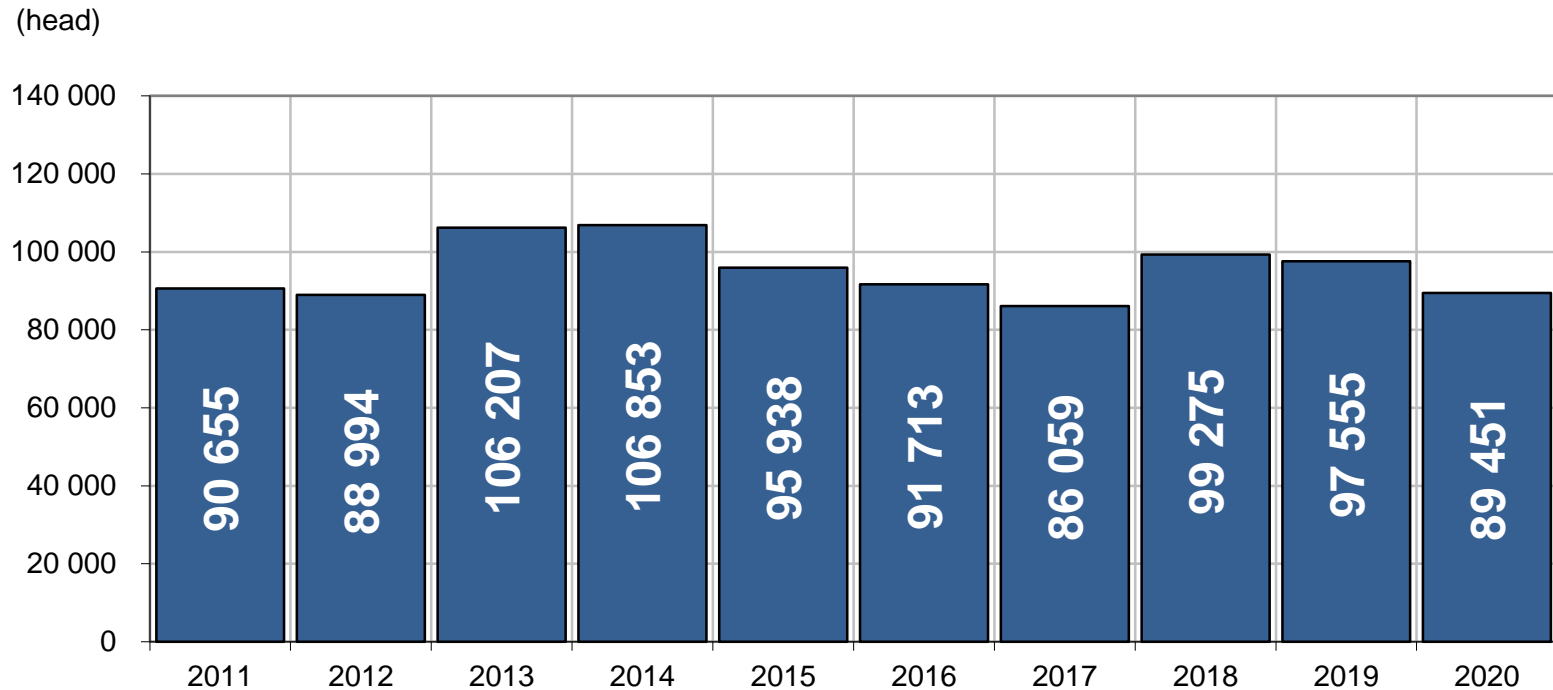


Sources :

- Quebec : Price of good replacement bob calves marketed in Quebec auctions, PBQ

Cull cattle

Number of cull cows marketed in Quebec

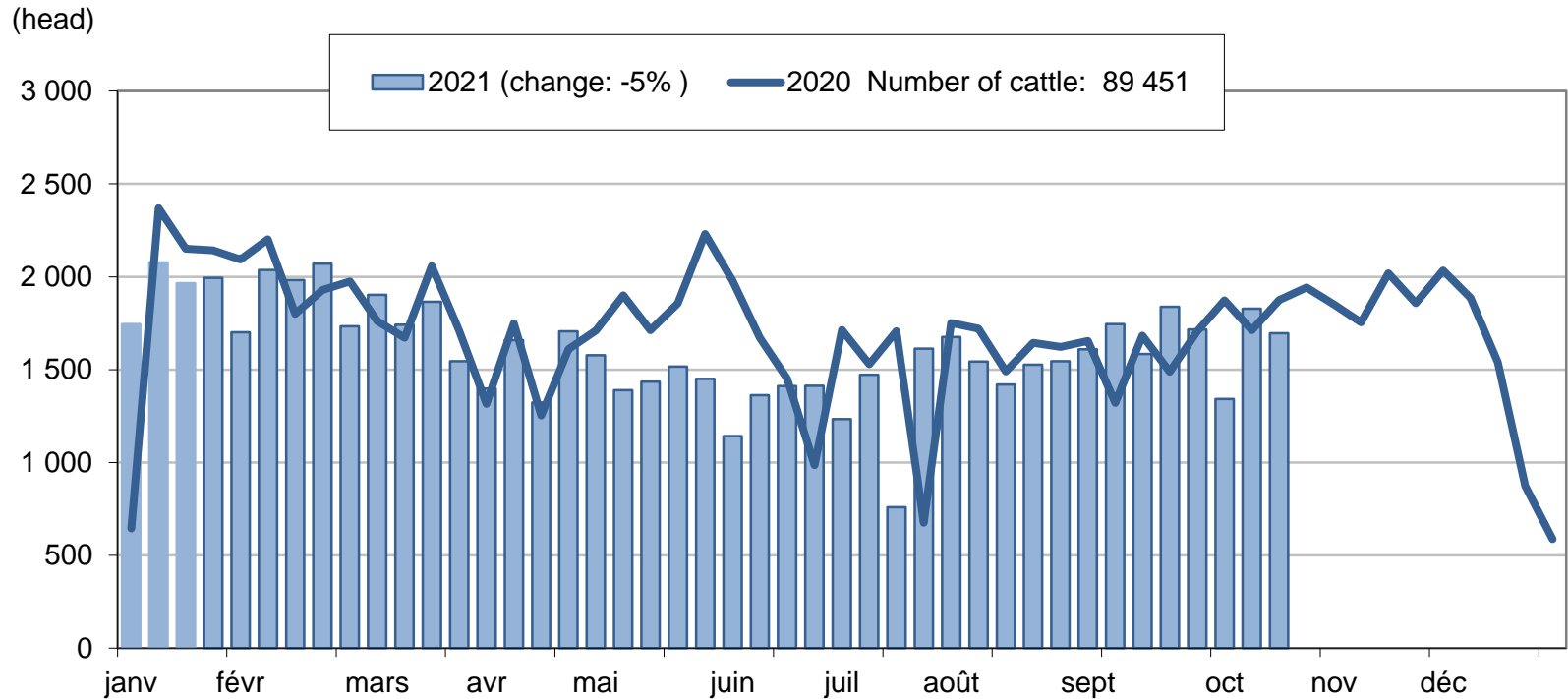


Source :

- Number of cull cows marketed by Quebec producers, PBQ

Cull cattle

Number of cull cows marketed in Quebec 2020-2021

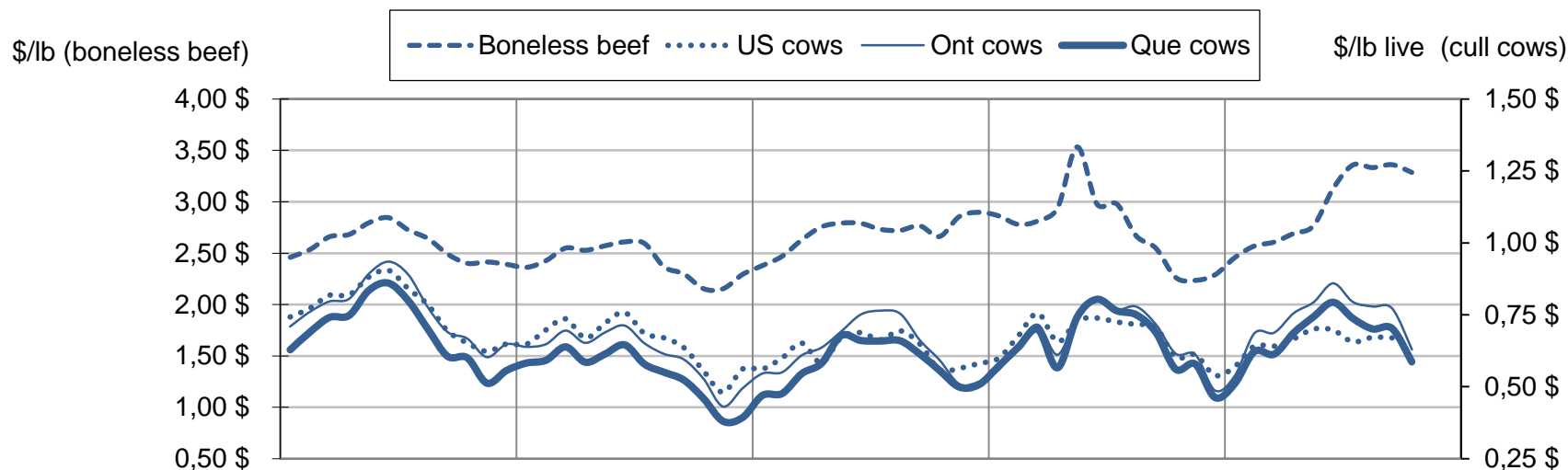


Source :

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Cull cattle

Price of cull cows in Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and United-States



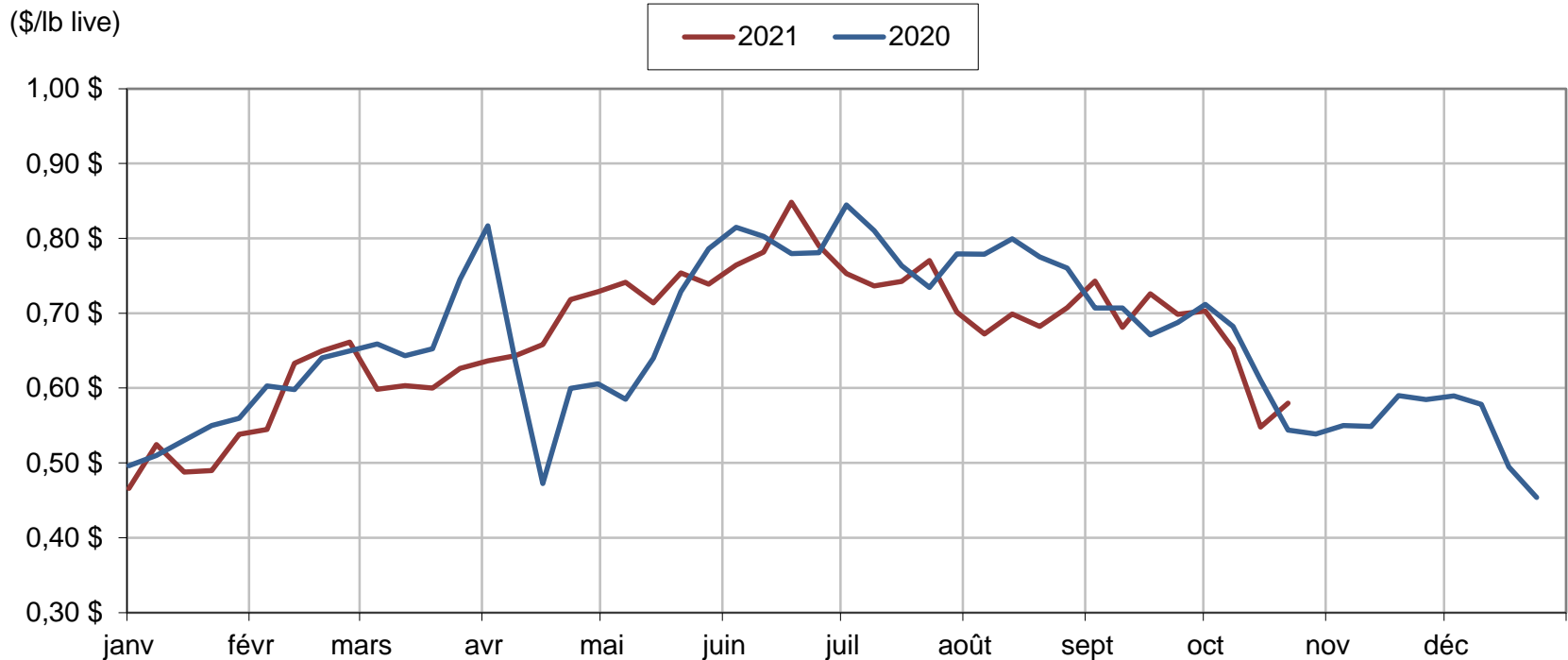
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Boneless beef	2,59 \$	2,41 \$	2,70 \$	2,74 \$	2,96 \$
Que \$/cow	965 \$	763 \$	805 \$	912 \$	937 \$
Que \$/lb	0,69 \$	0,54 \$	0,58 \$	0,65 \$	0,67 \$
Que-US	-0,08 \$	-0,11 \$	-0,05 \$	-0,02 \$	0,01 \$
Que-Ont	-0,08 \$	-0,07 \$	-0,06 \$	-0,02 \$	-0,06 \$

Sources :

- Boneless beef : Wholesale price, domestic cow 85%, BFO
- Quebec : Price of cull cows marketed in Quebec auctions, PBQ
- Ontario : Price of cull cows marketed in Ontario auctions, OCA
- Alberta. : Price of D1-D2 cull cows marketed in Alberta auctions, Canfax
- United States : Price of lean cull cows marketed in New Holland, Pennsylvania auctions, converted in \$ CAN

Cull cattle

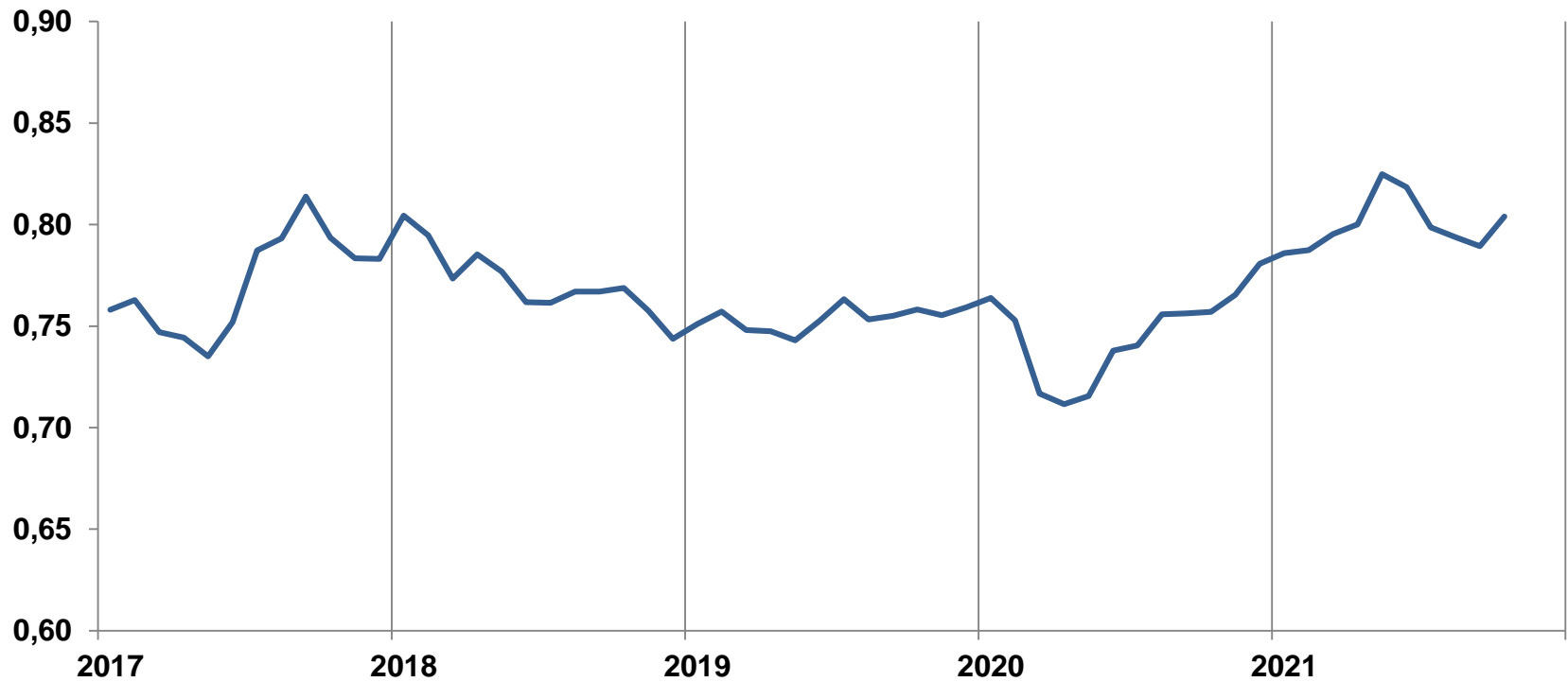
Price of cull cows in Quebec 2020-2021



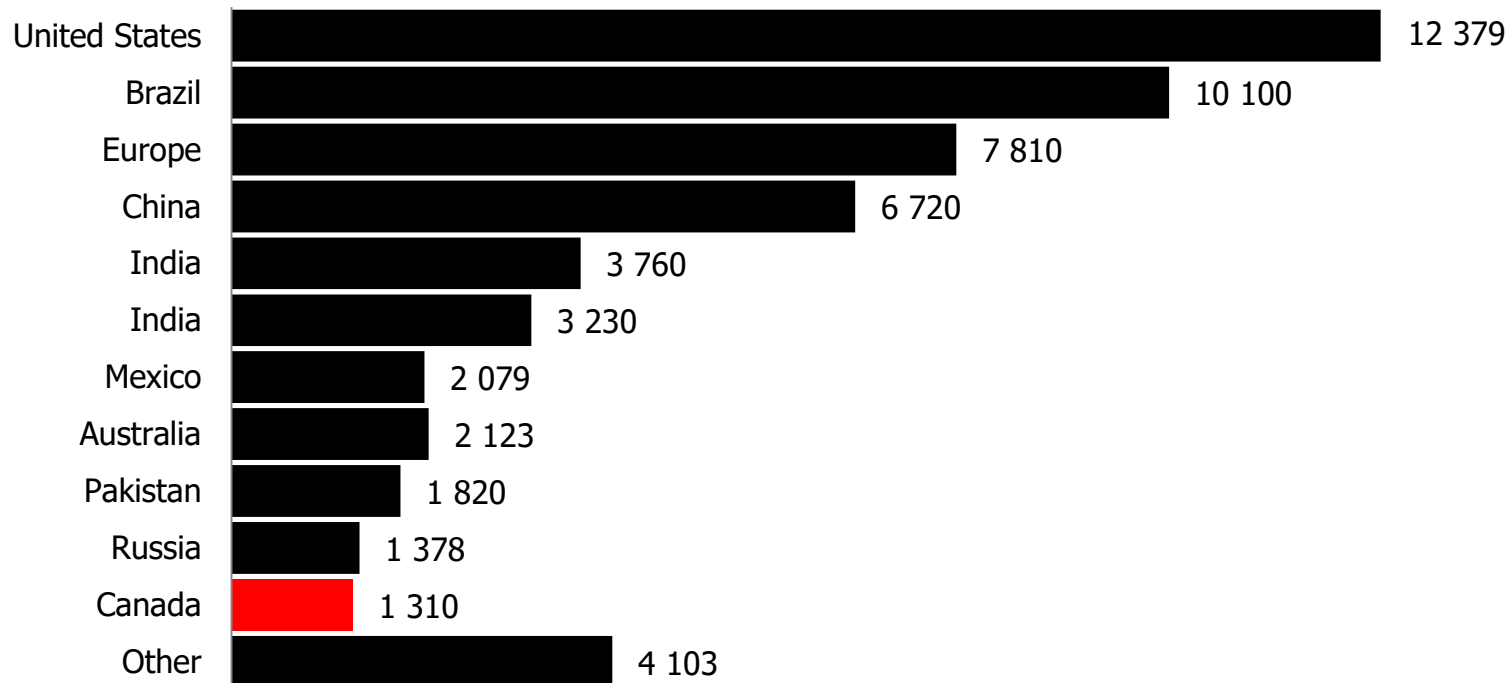
Sources :

- Quebec : Price of cull cows marketed in Quebec auctions, PBQ

Exchange rate \$ CAN / \$ US

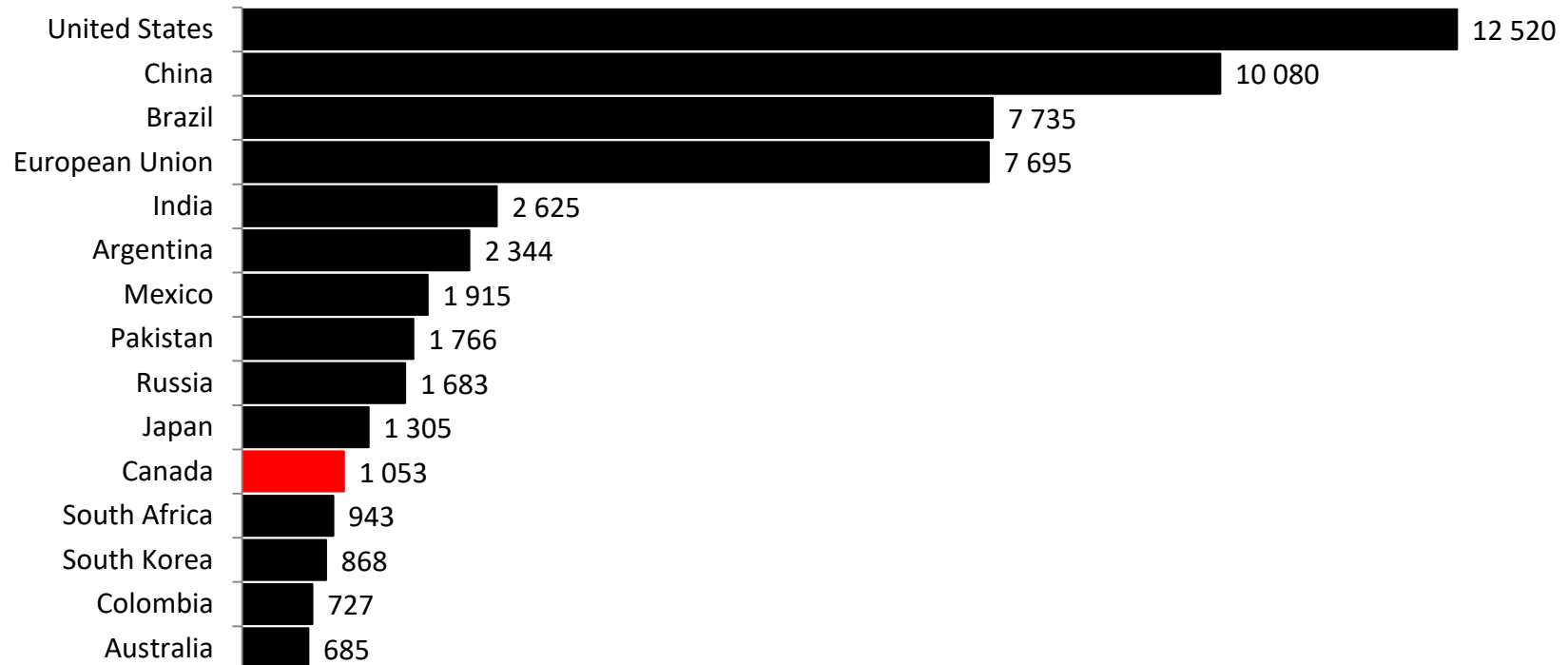


Beef and veal net production (1000 t, cwe) - 2020



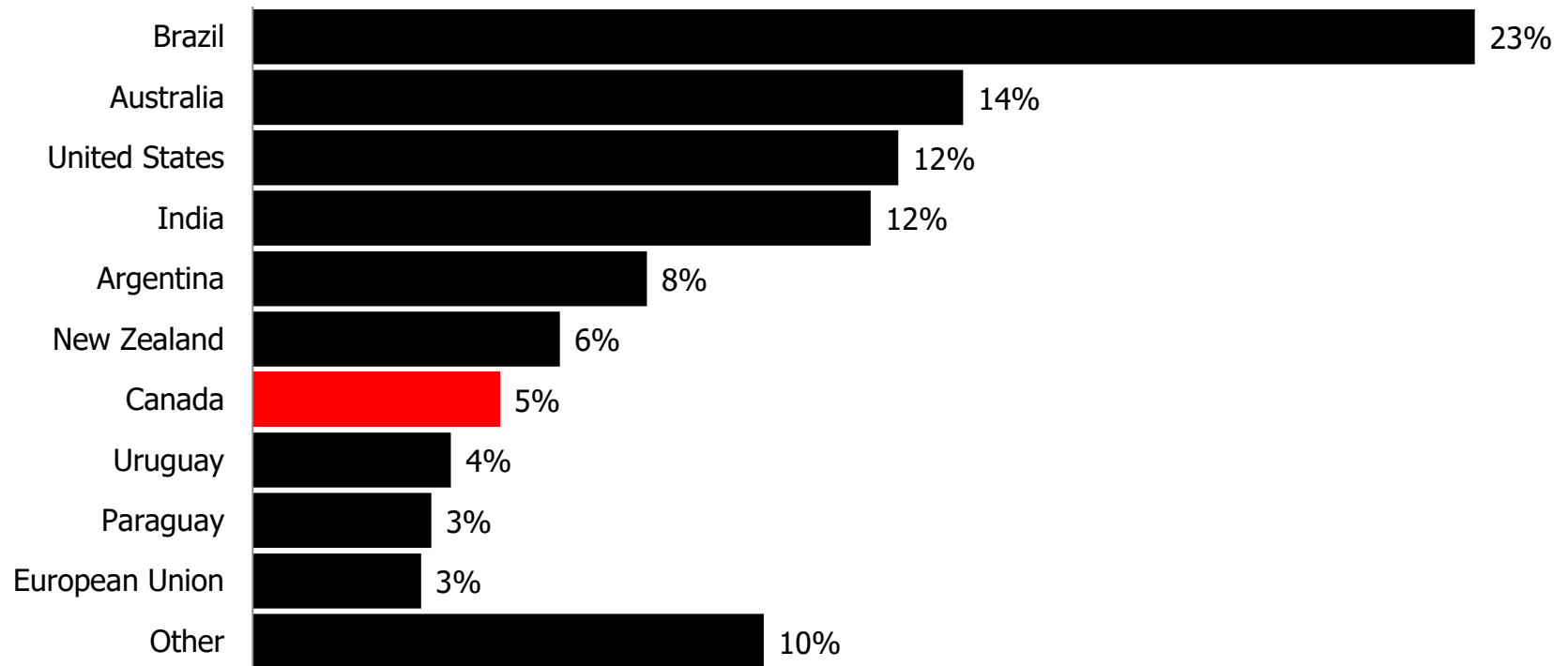
Source :
• Canfax

Beef and veal meat consumption by countries (1000 t, cwe) – 2021F



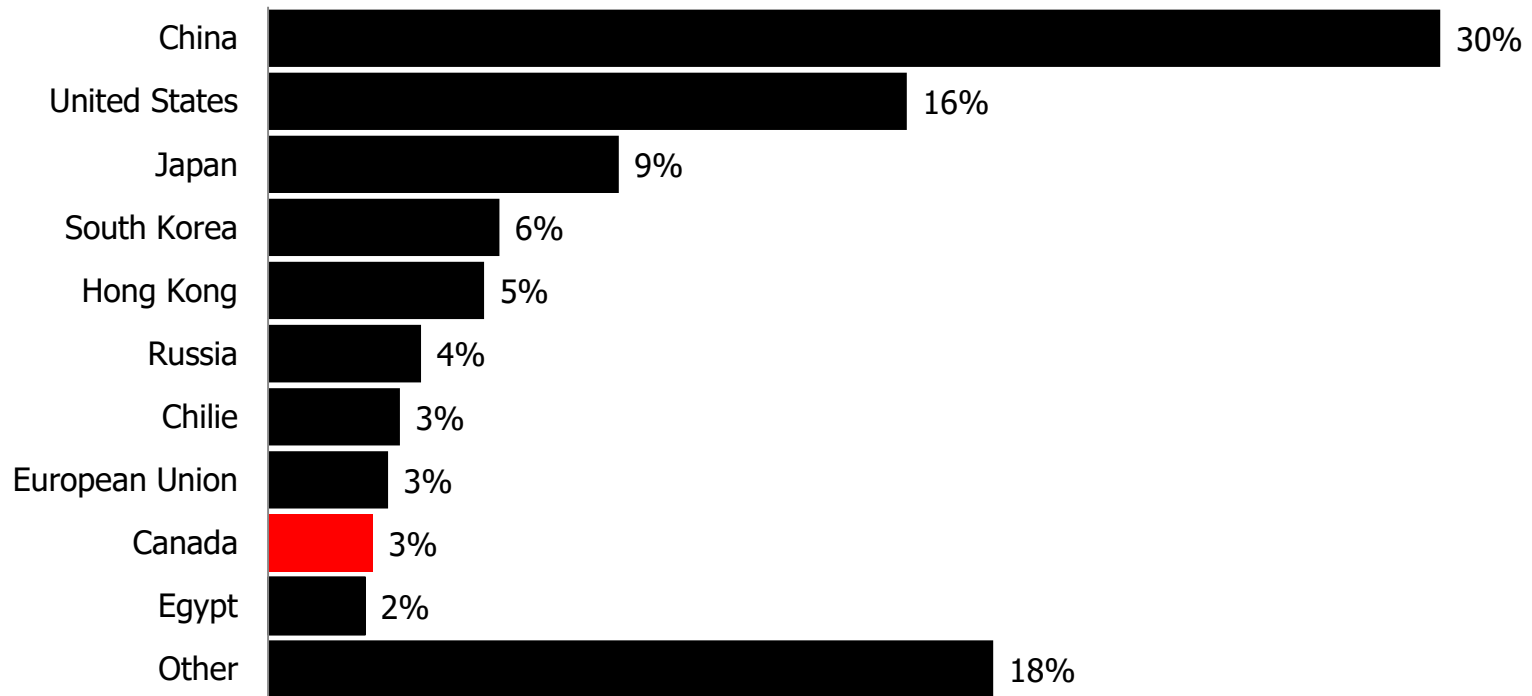
Source :
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World top beef exporters (% world) - 2020



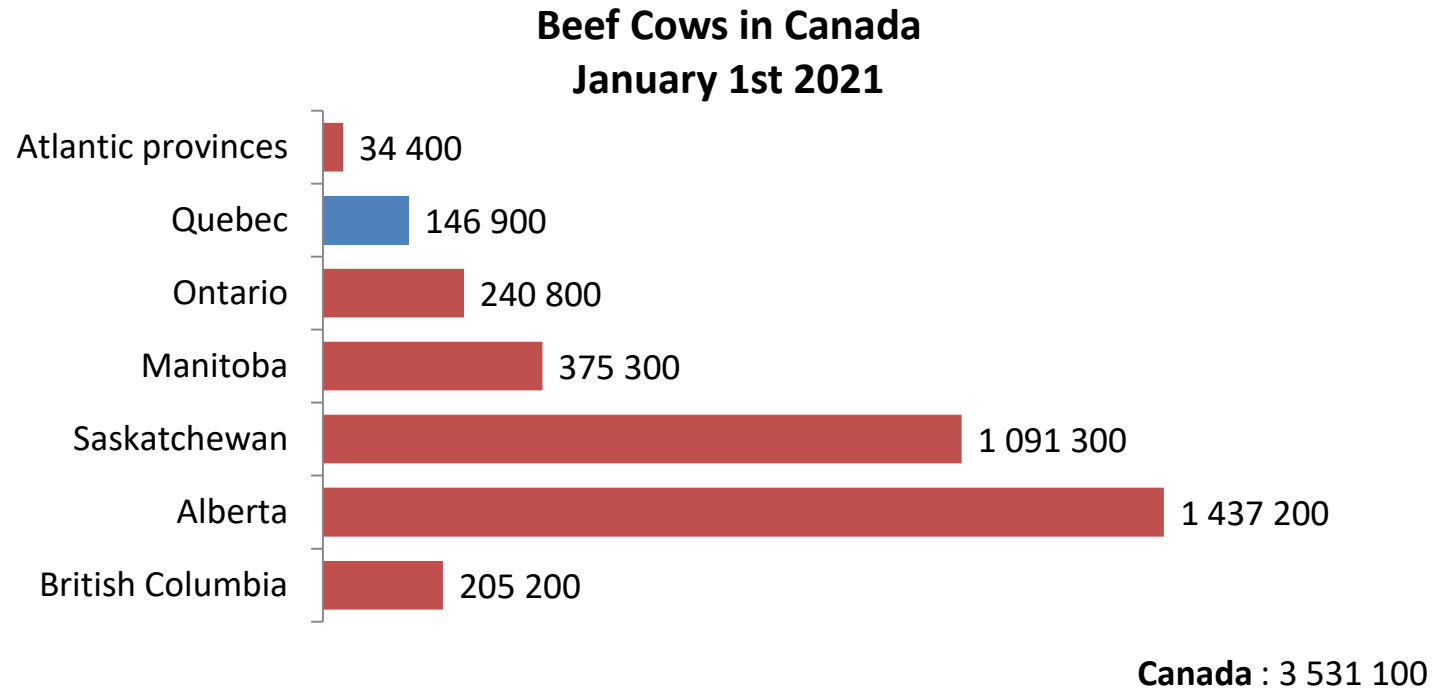
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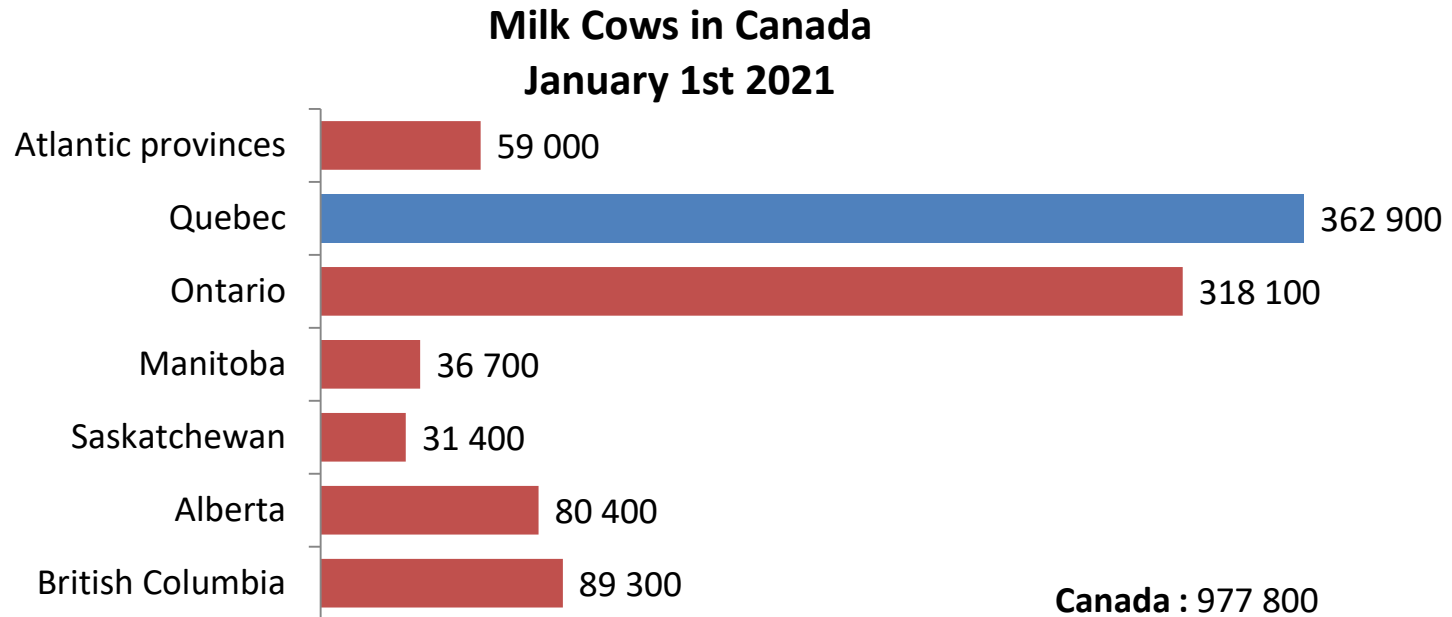
Beef Cow inventory in Canada 2021



Source :

- Statistique Canada

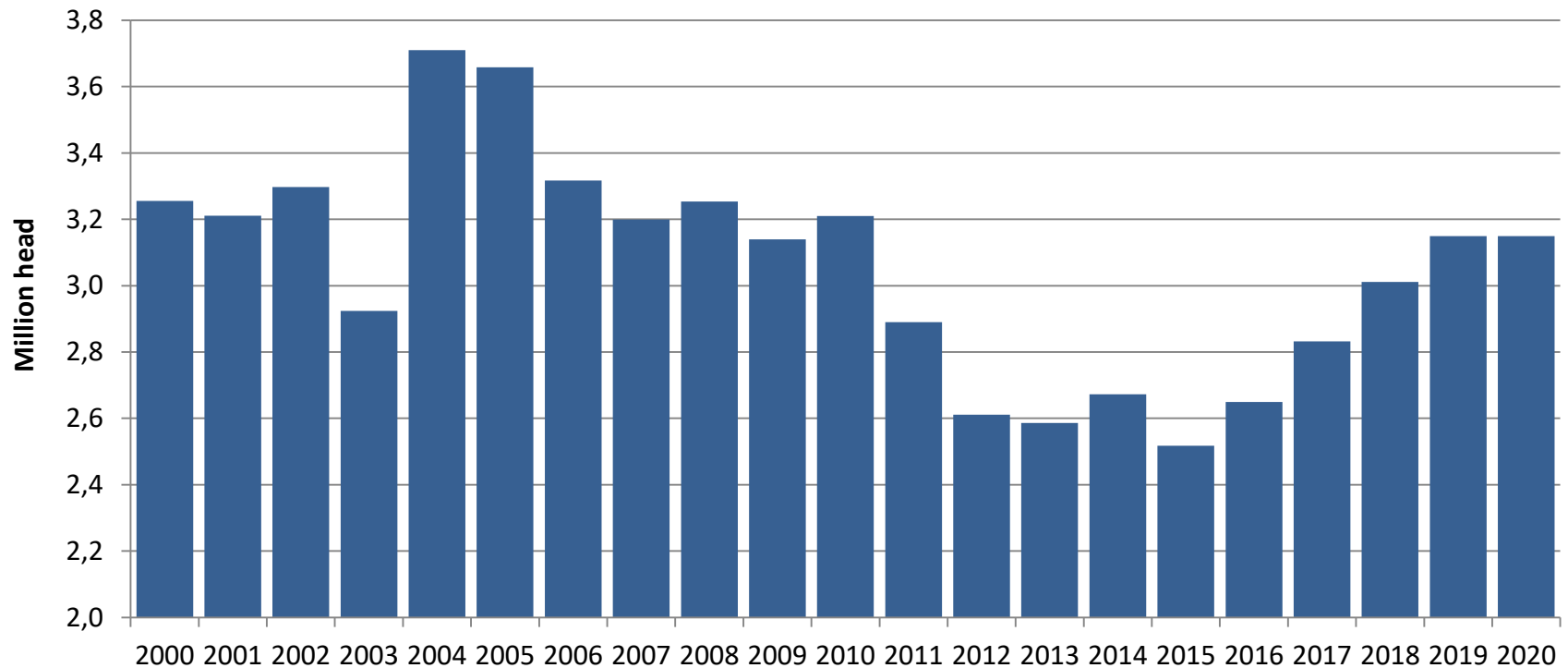
Milk Cow inventory in Canada 2021



Source :

- Statistics Canada

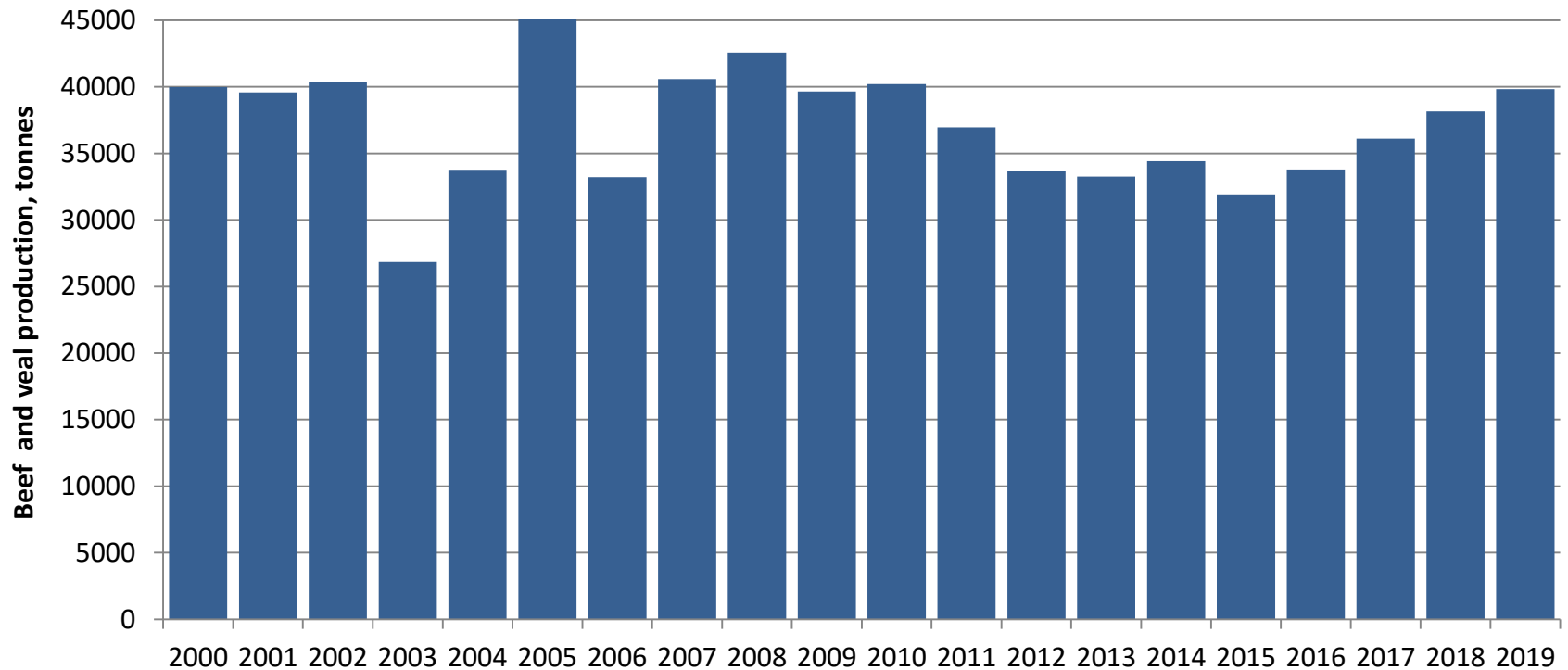
Number of cattle Slaughtered in Federally Inspected Plants



Sources :

- Canadian Beef Grading Agency, AAFC

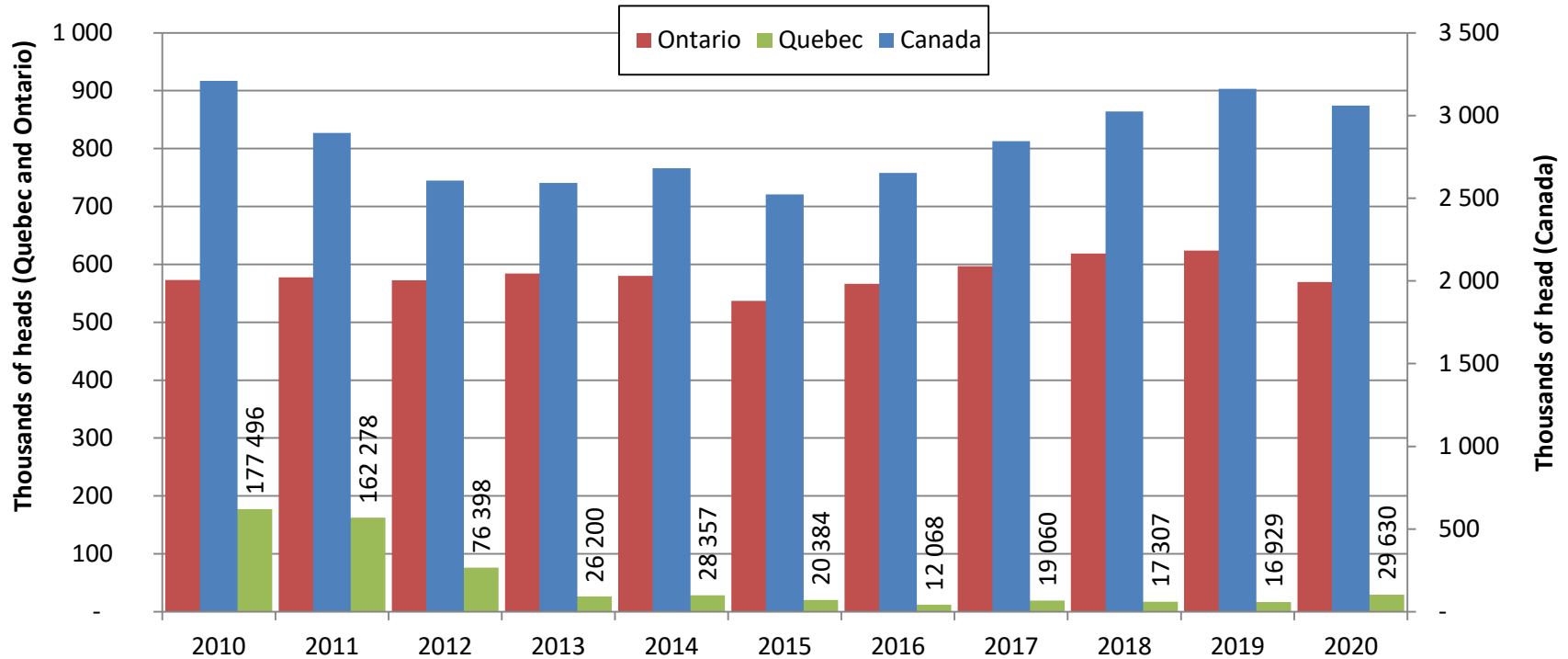
Canadian beef and veal production



Sources :

- Statistics Canada (Edible offal, meat production)

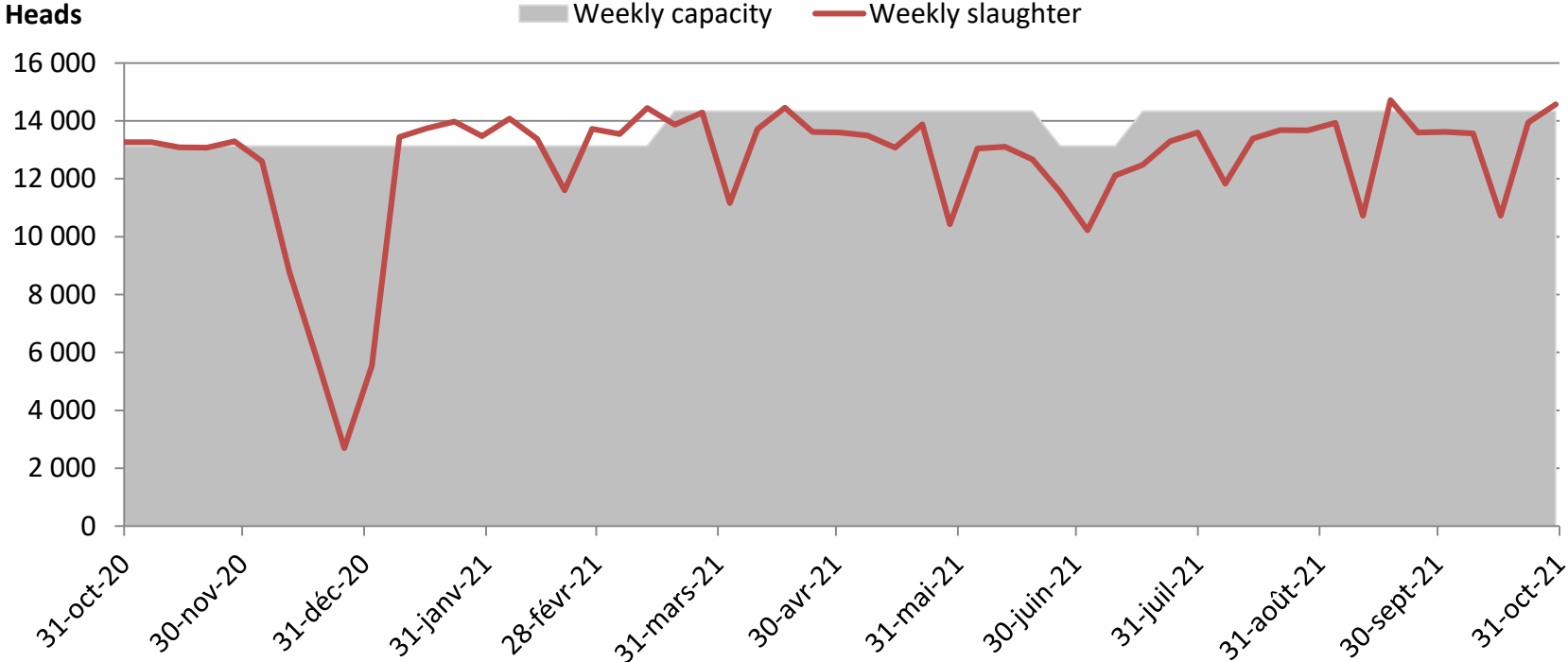
Annual cattle Slaughter Capacity in Canada



Sources :

- ACIA
- Statistics Canada
- PBQ estimate

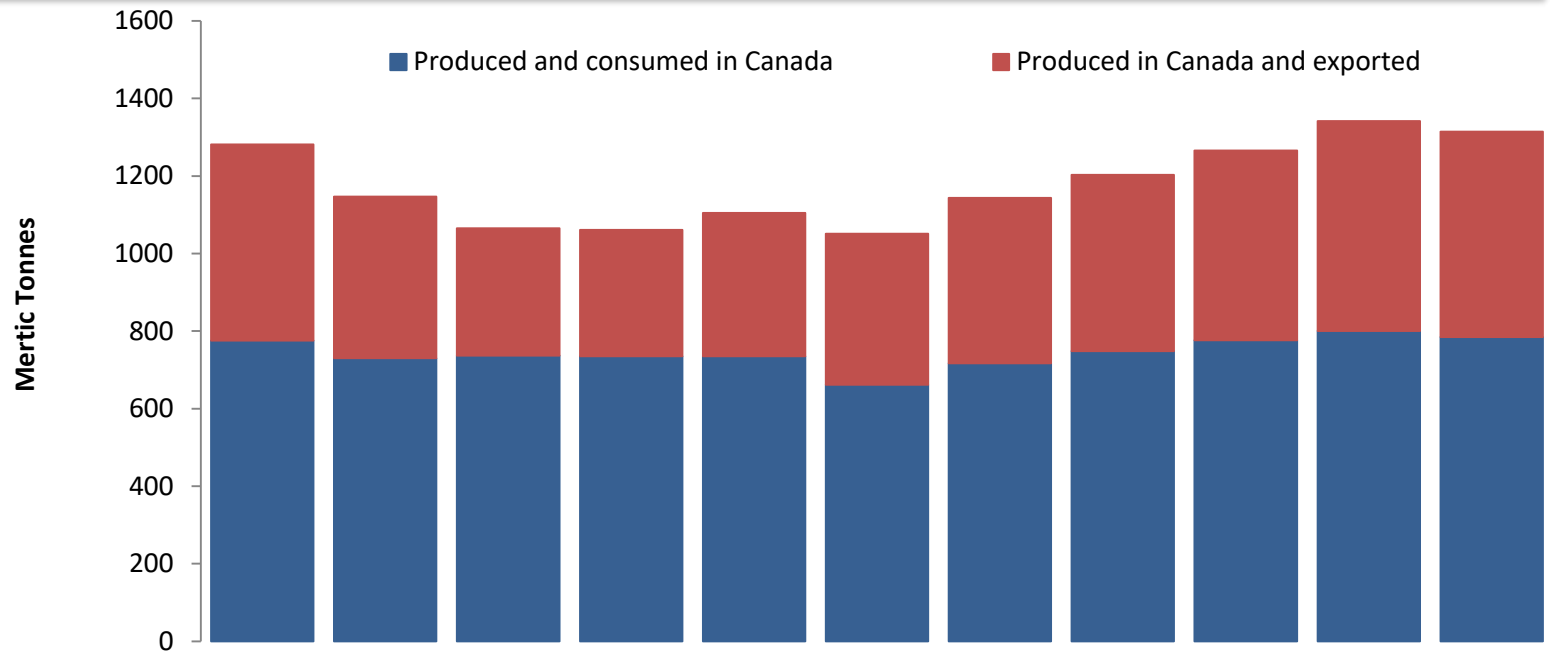
Slaughter capacity and beef production in federally inspected slaughterhouses in Eastern Canada



- Sources :
- ACCB
 - Canfax
 - PBQ estimate

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% Canadian beef and veal production exported

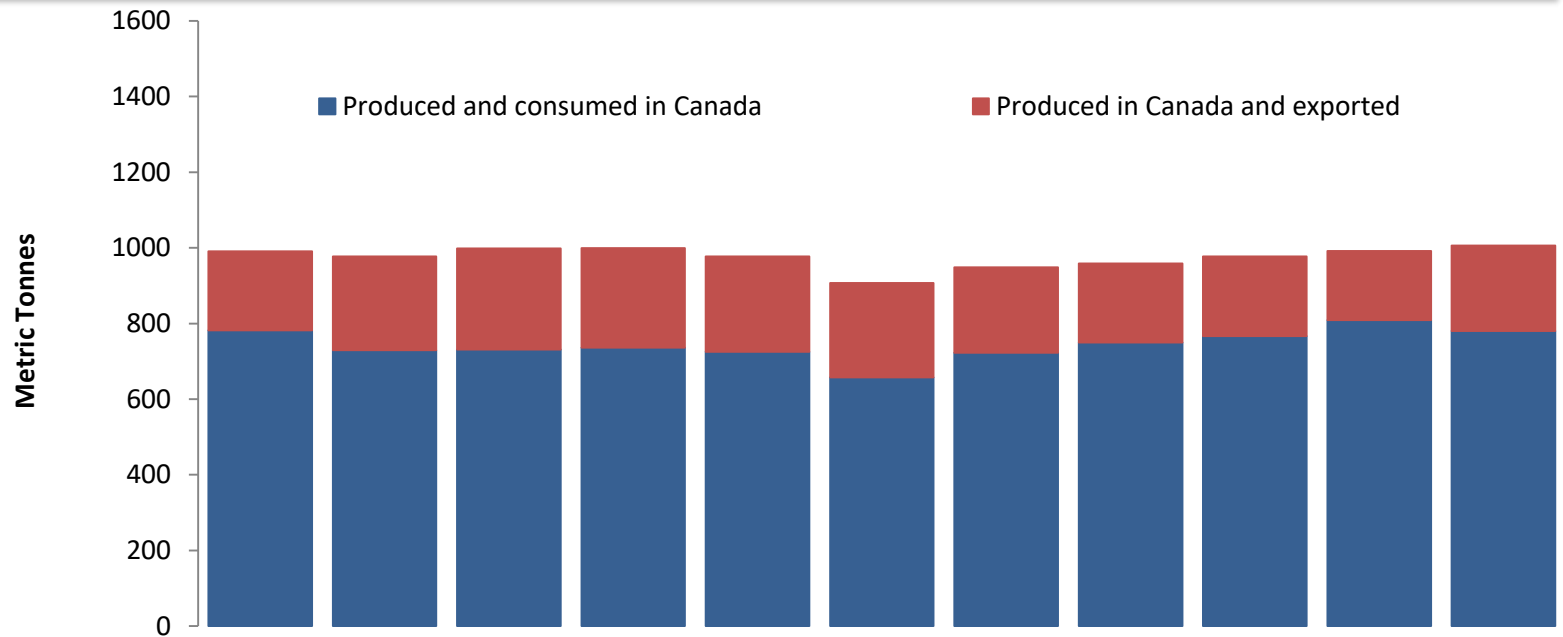


	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
% exported / production	39%	36%	31%	31%	33%	37%	37%	38%	39%	40%	40%

Sources :

- Statistics Canada

% Canadian beef and veal consumption imported



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
% imported / consumed	21%	25%	27%	26%	26%	28%	24%	22%	21%	18%	22%

Sources :

- Statistics Canada

Beef and veal meat exports from Canada

Beef and veal meat exports (tonnes)	Jan. 1 - September 31		
	2021	2020	% chg
United States	264 993	228 041	16%
Japan	44 979	33 425	35%
Hong Kong	6 408	9 886	-35%
Mexico	17 694	8 691	104%
China	15 138	6 948	118%
South Korea	8 148	4 188	95%
Vietnam	9 894	3 662	170%
Angola	1 388	1 942	-29%
Philippines	4 146	438	847%
Others	8 879	9 146	-3%
Total	381 667	306 367	25%

Sources :

- Statistics Canada, AACF

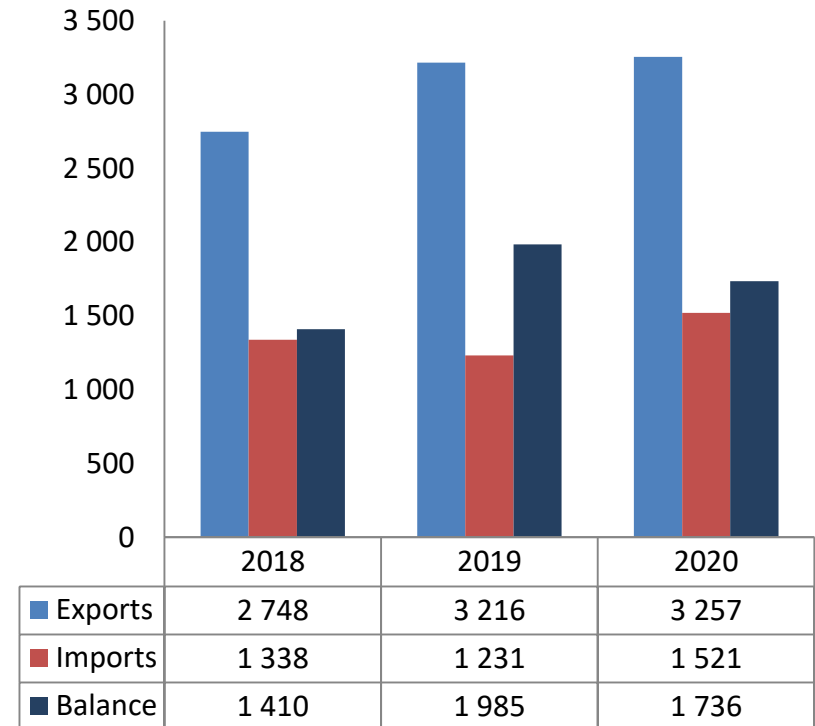
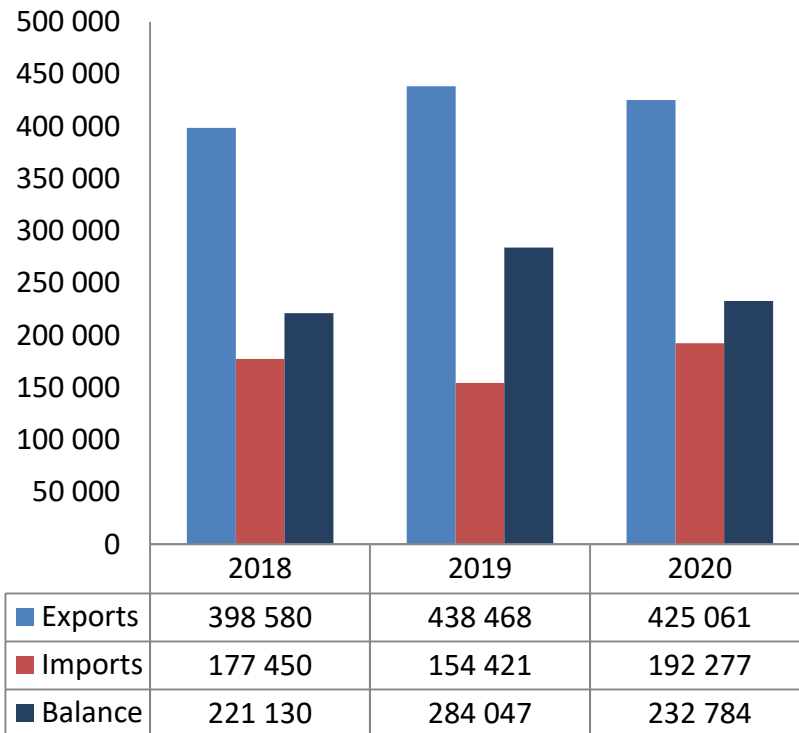
Beef and veal imports to Canada

Beef and veal meat imports (tonnes)	Jan. 1 - October 30		
	2021	2020	% chg
United States	82 811	93 323	-11%
New Zealand	10 866	15 618	-30%
Uruguay	7 920	12 722	-38%
Australia	6 057	11 825	-49%
Mexico	7 282	7 140	2%
Spain	3 083	3 345	-8%
Others	14 338	18 731	-23%
Total	132 357	162 704	-19%

Sources :

- Statistics Canada, AACF

Imports and exports of beef and veal, Canada (kg, \$CA) 2018-2020



Sources :

- Statistics Canada, AACF

Veal exports from Canada

Veal exports (tonnes)	Jan. 1 - September 30		
	2021	2020	% chg
United States	2 709	1 735	56%
Japan	0	0	-
United Arab Emirates	107	69	55%
Autres	4	6	-
Total	2 820	1 810	56%

Sources :

- Statistics Canada, AACF

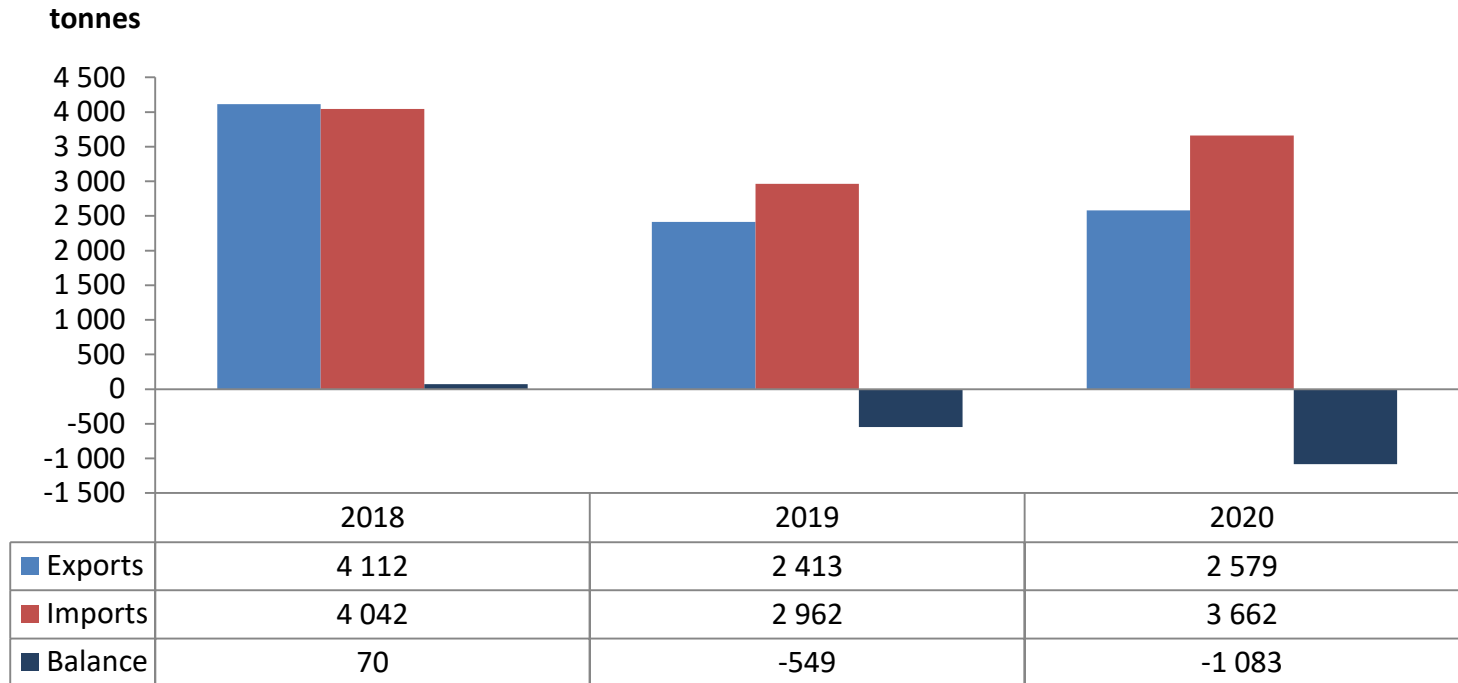
Veal imports to Canada

Veal imports (tonnes)	Jan. 1 - October 30		
	2021	2020	% chg
United States	521	735	-29%
New Zeland	1 283	1 648	-22%
Australia	26	105	-75%
European Union - 27			-
Netherland	326	247	32%
Others	368	160	-
Total	2 548	2 894	-12%

Sources :

- Statistics Canada, AACF

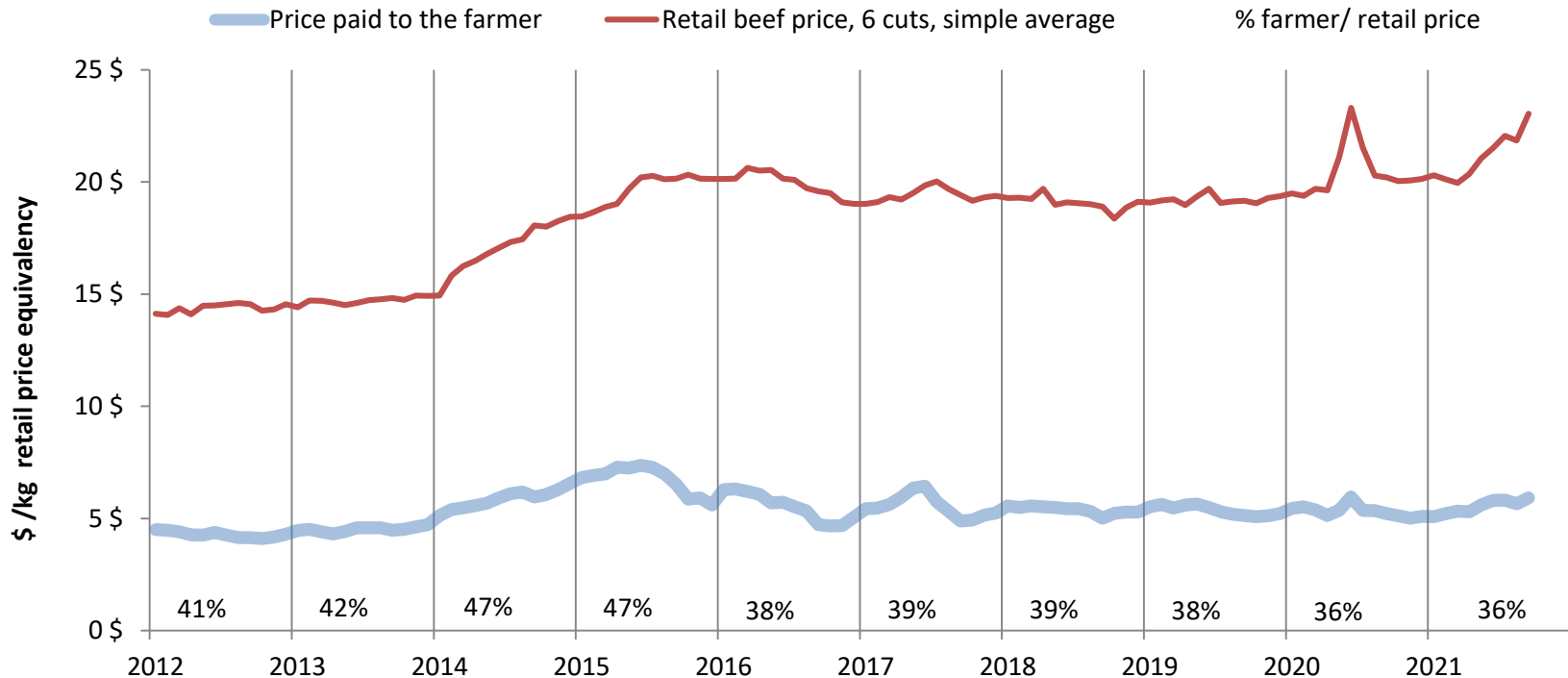
Imports and exports of veal, Canada annual data (tonnes) 2018-2020



Sources :

- Statistics Canada, AACF

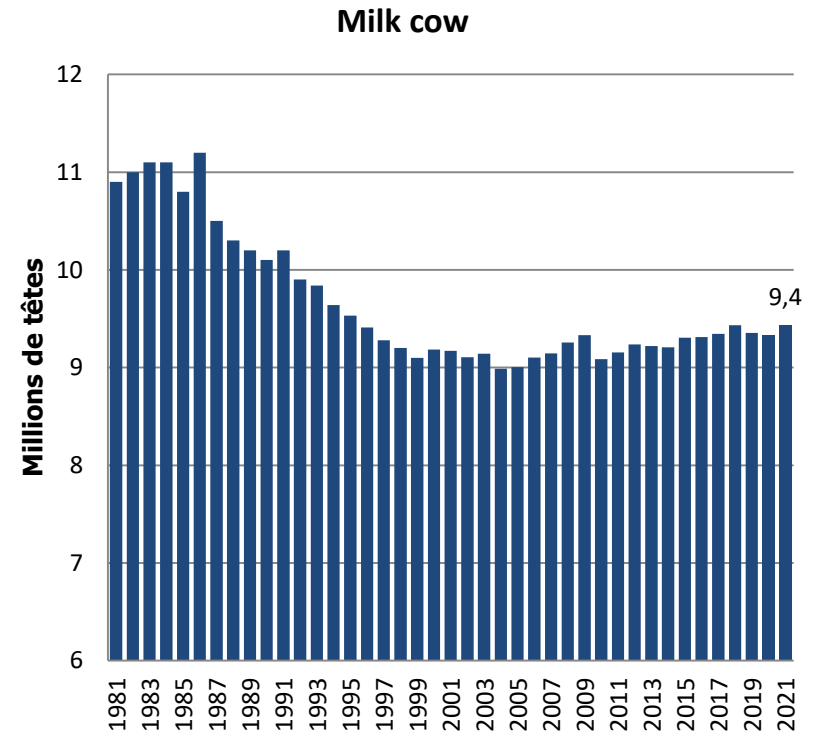
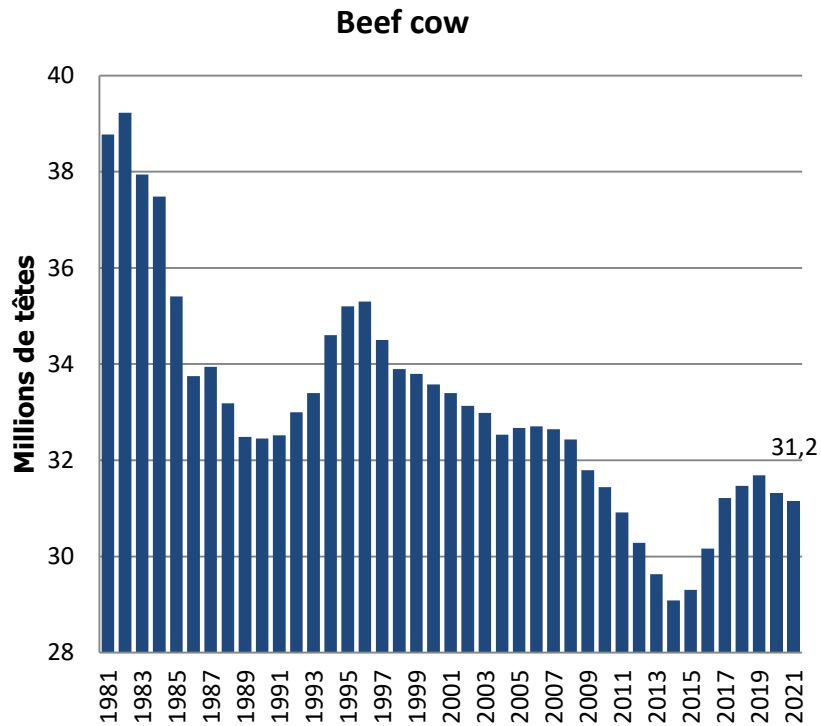
Beef price cuts vs price paid to the producer



Sources :

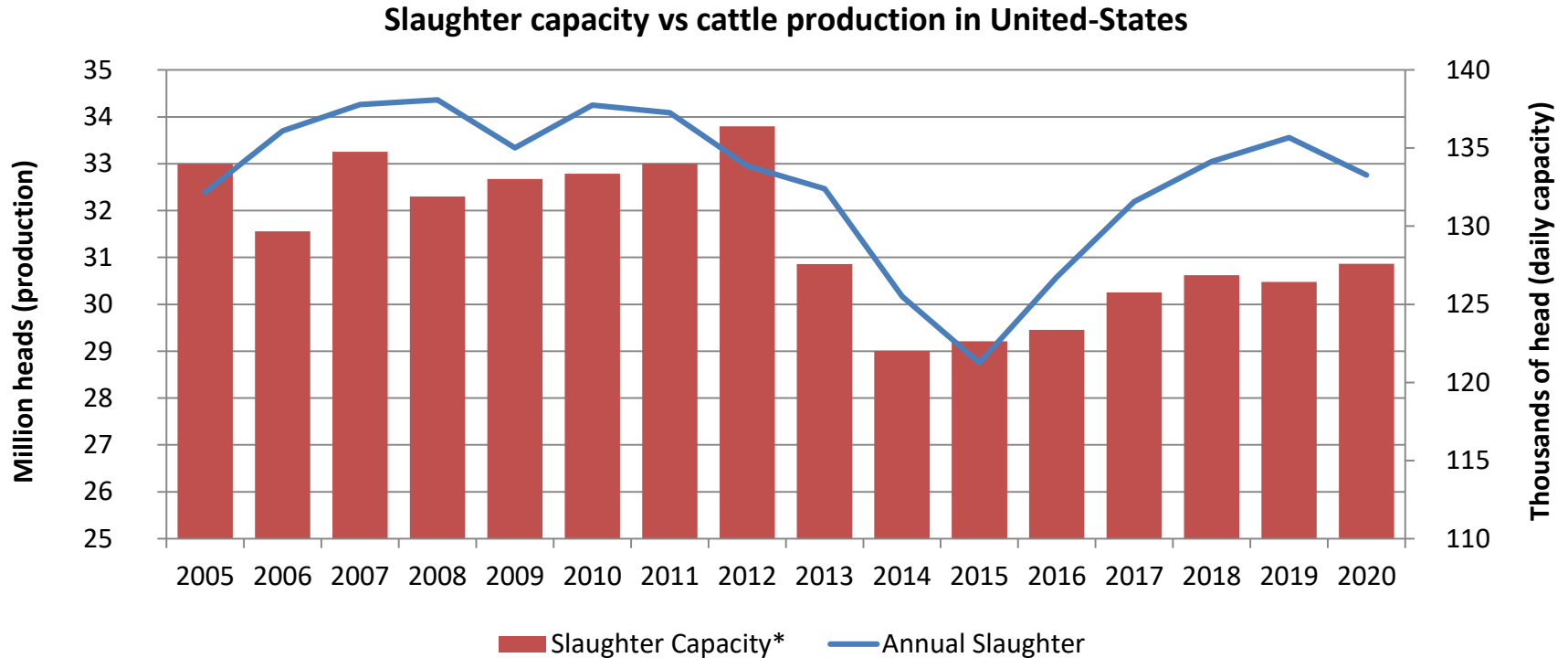
- Statistics Canada pour les prix au détail moyenne arithmétique 6 coupes (bifteck de ronde, bifteck de surlonge, rôti de côtes de choix, rôti de palette, bœuf à ragout, bœuf haché régulier)
- PBQ pour le prix aux producteurs (rendement de 46% pour ramener le prix vif en prix de détail)

Beef cow and milk cow inventory in United-States



Source :
• USDA

Slaughter capacity vs cattle production in United-States

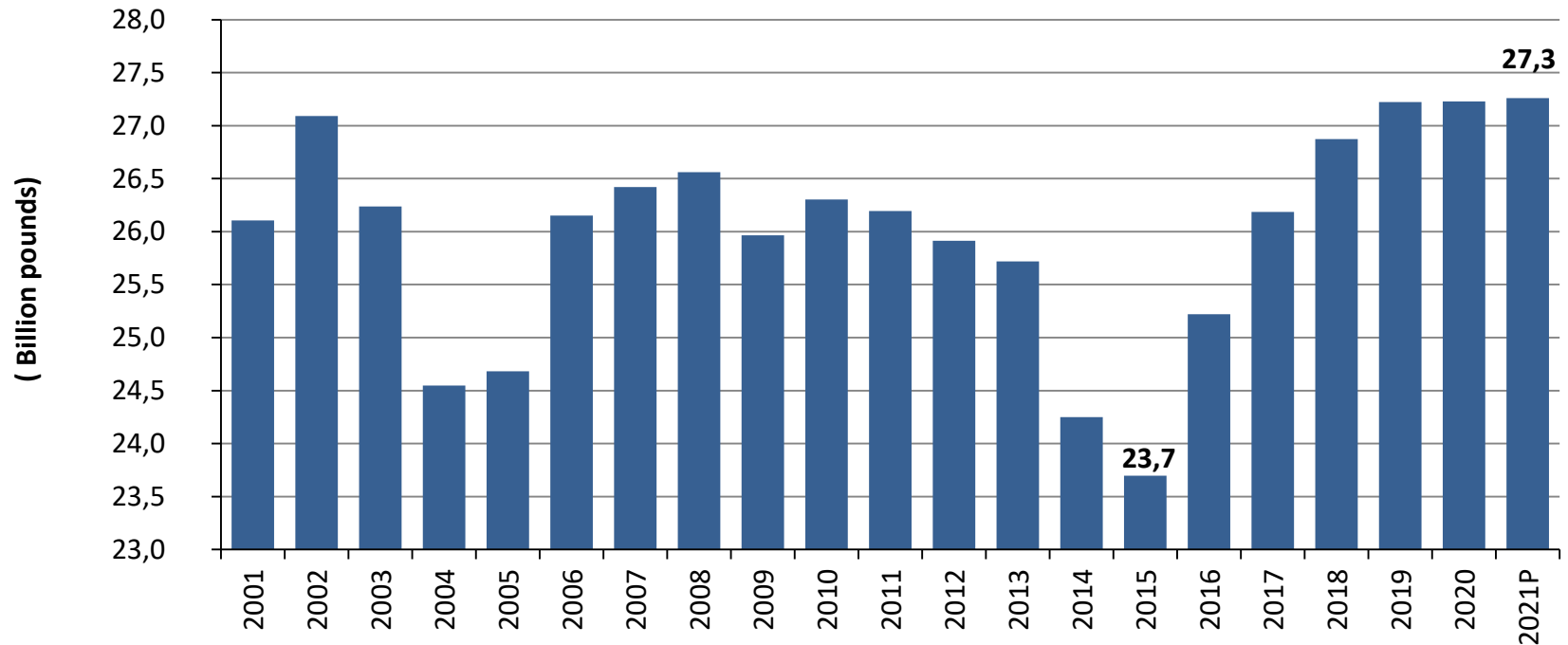


*Daily slaughter capacity of the 30 largest slaughterhouses in the United States

Source :

- USDA
- Cattle Buyers Weekly

Beef production in United-States

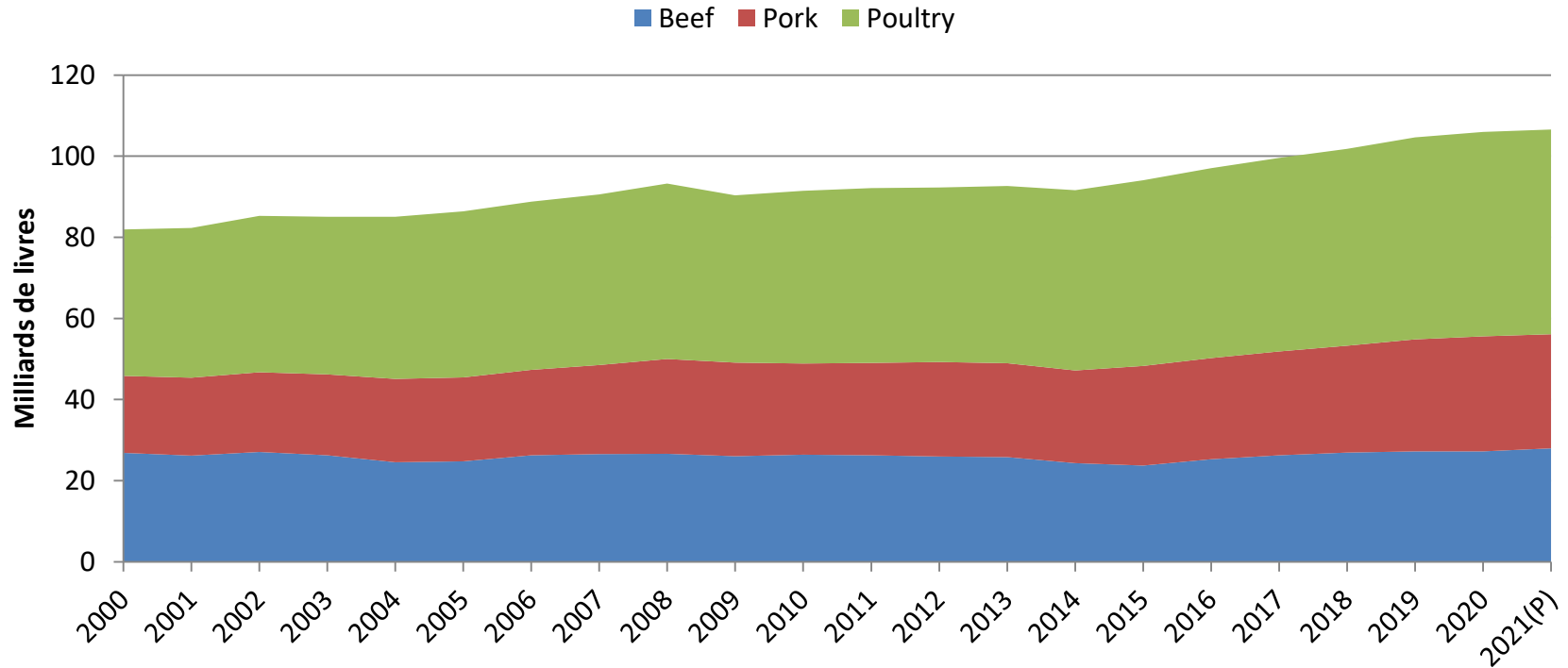


Sources :

- USDA and WASDE projection

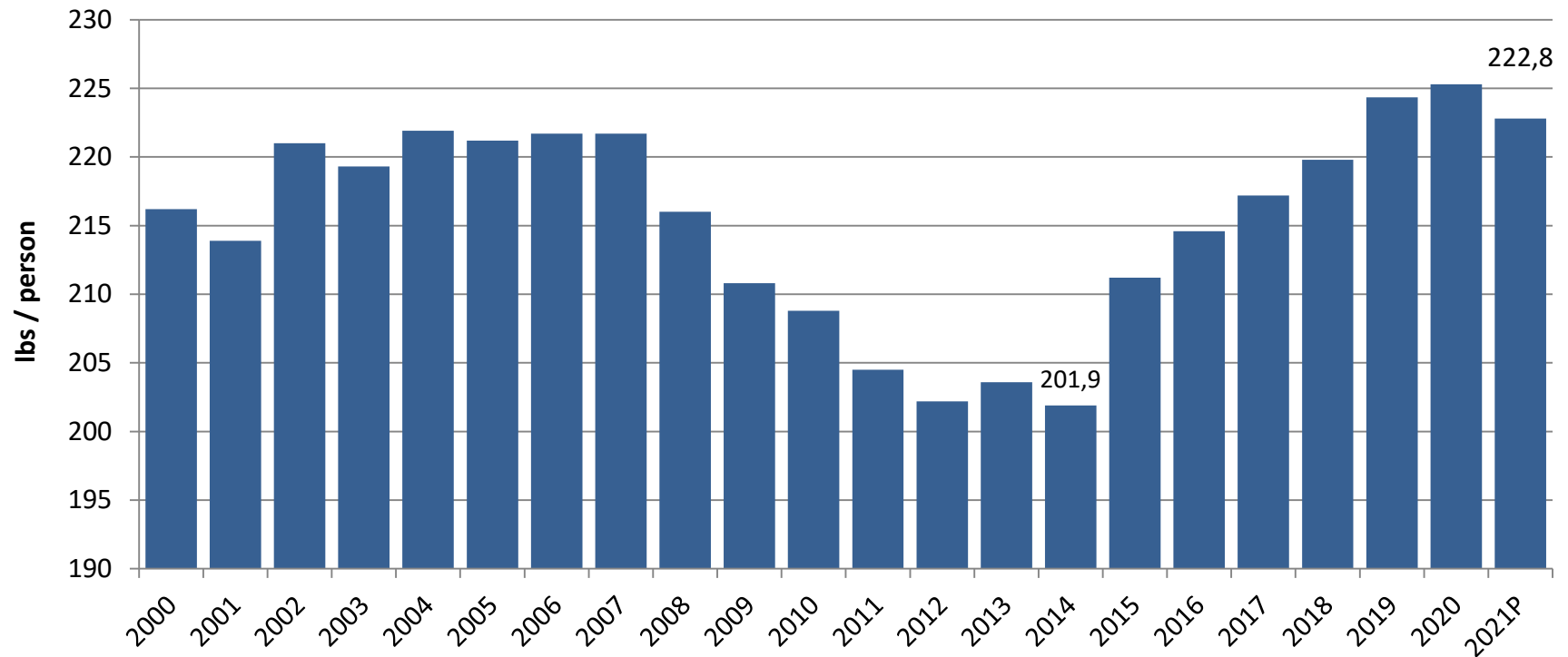


Beef – pork –poultry production in United-States



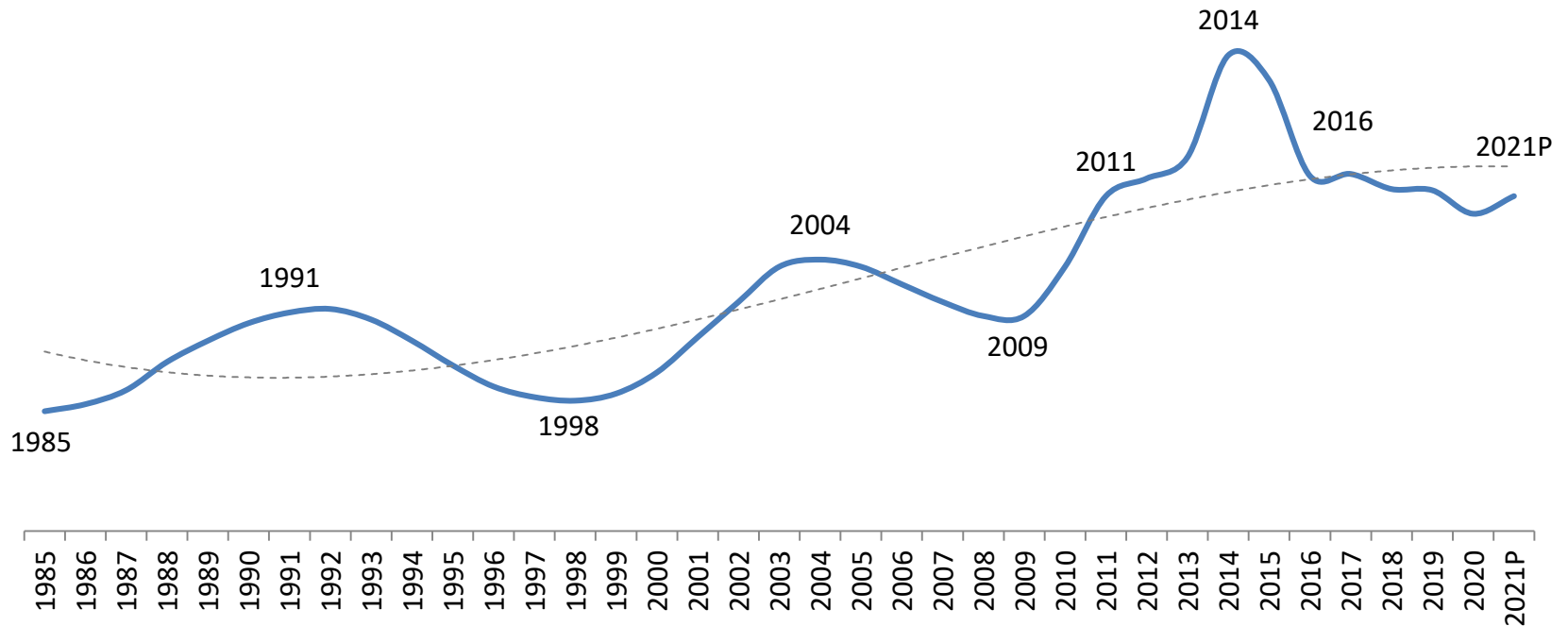
Sources :
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Beef – pork – poultry Consumption per capita in United-States (lb)



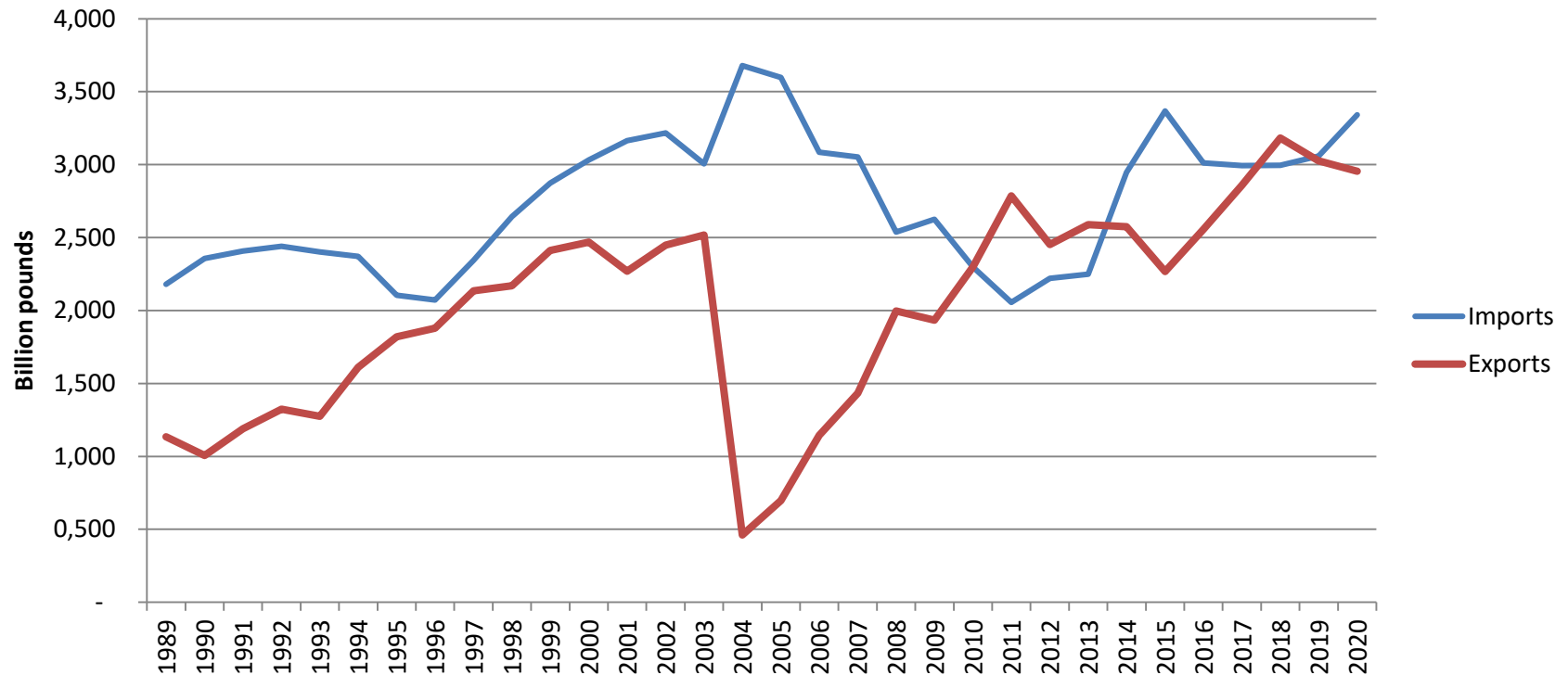
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Cattle price cycle in United-States



Sources :
• CattleFax

Beef imports and exports in United-States



Sources :

- USDA et Cattlefax



Short term outlook

- After a month of decline, the beef market stabilized in late October, and prices are now expected to rise due to the renewed interest in intermediate meat before the holiday.
 - Carcass weights increased rapidly in September. We are now close to the record weights recorded last year.
 - Despite the high availability of beef, good domestic demand and record exports are expected to push the beef market higher in the short term.
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Long term outlook

- Beef cattle herd contraction is underway in United-States which should have lead to less beef production and somewhat firmer prices.
 - However, due to technical constraints (social distancing and labour issue), the slaughterhouses are still operating below pre-COVID levels.
 - Rising exports to Asia, accelerating COVID vaccination campaigns and tightening beef supply are expected to support the market in the medium to long term.
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