

For eggs for breaking purposes, supplementary permits for market shortages were issued to import 6,794,901 dozen eggs.

For powdered eggs, 4,127 kg in supplementary import permits were issued for re-export.

For liquid, frozen and further processed egg products, import permits for 1,049,522 kg were issued for re-export.

For eggs for breaking purposes, no supplementary import permits were issued for re-export.

In 2004, a temporary "fast track supplementary policy" was implemented for the purpose of accommodating supply shortages faced by B.C. egg graders due to the cull of chickens resulting from the avian influenza outbreak in B.C. The EICB issued supplementary permits totaling 2,846,726 dozen eggs or liquid equivalent for breaking purposes and 17,800,340 dozen eggs for the table egg market for this purpose.

Import permits are required for importing inedible egg products into Canada, although for monitoring purposes only. Permits were issued for 328,550 kg for this type of product in 2004.

2) Dairy products

Quantitative restrictions in 11 categories of dairy products were converted to TRQs in support of supply management under the Canadian Dairy Commission Act and action taken under the World Trade Organization Agreement Implementation Act. These products are:

- butter (implemented on August 1, 1995);
- cheese of all types other than imitation cheese (implemented on January 1, 1995);
- buttermilk in dry, liquid or other form (implemented on January 1, 1995);
- fluid milk (implemented on January 1, 1995);
- dry whey (implemented on August 1, 1995);
- evaporated and condensed milks (implemented on January 1, 1995);
- heavy cream (implemented on August 1, 1995);
- products consisting of natural milk constituents (implemented on January 1, 1995);
- food preparations (implemented on January 1, 1995 under 1901.90.33);
- ice cream and ice cream novelties in retail packaging (implemented on January 1, 1995); and
- yoghurt (implemented on January 1, 1995).

Butter

The access level for butter was 3,274,000 kg for the quota year from August 1, 2003 to July 31, 2004, of which 2,000,000 kg was reserved for imports from New Zealand. The entire TRQ was allocated to the Canadian Dairy Commission and the total access level was utilized. Supplementary import permits for butter and butteroil for re-export were issued for 24,691,540 kg.

Cheese