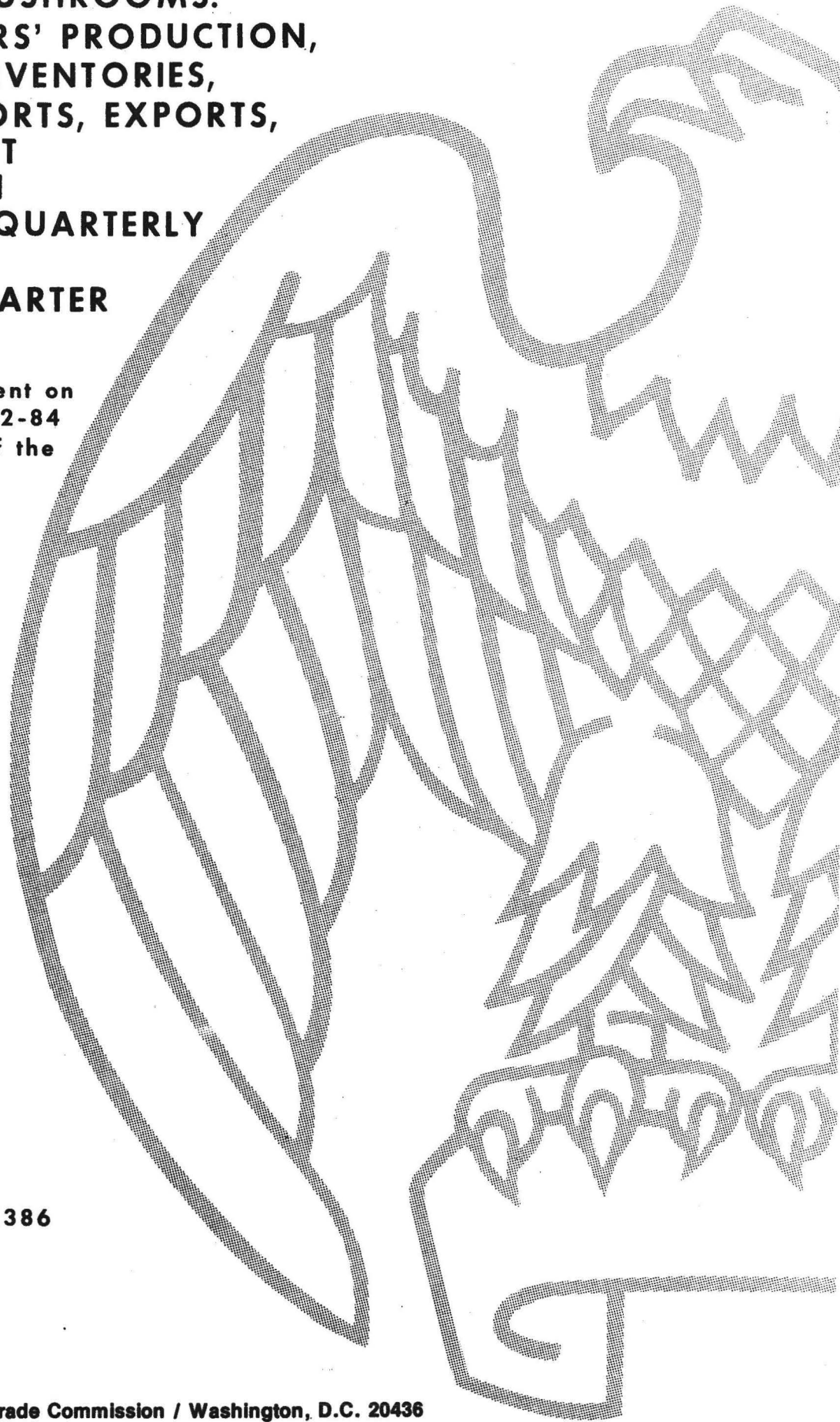


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## THE SEVENTEENTH QUARTERLY REPORT ON PROCESSED MUSHROOMS

### HIGHLIGHTS

During the first quarter (January-March) 1983, compared with the same quarter 1982:

- APPARENT CONSUMPTION of canned mushrooms increased 11 percent to 59.6 million pounds;
- DOMESTIC PRODUCTION declined 7 percent to 22.7 million pounds;
- SALES of domestic canned mushrooms increased 2 percent to 24.3 million pounds;
- PRODUCER ENDING INVENTORIES of canned mushrooms declined 45 percent to 14.3 million pounds;
- IMPORTS rose 23 percent to 29.8 million pounds, constituting 50 percent of consumption compared with 45 percent last year; and
- EXPORTS increased 23 percent to 54,000 pounds.

### QUARTERLY STATISTICS

For the first quarter of 1983, compared with the same quarter a year earlier, domestic production and ending inventories of canned mushrooms declined while sales by domestic producers, exports, imports, and apparent consumption increased (see table). Domestic production totaled 22.7 million pounds (down 7 percent); ending inventories by producers, 14.3 million pounds (down 45 percent); sales by producers, 24.3 million pounds (up 2 percent); exports, 54,000 pounds (up 23 percent); imports, 29.8 million pounds (up 23 percent); and apparent consumption, 59.6 million pounds (up 11 percent).

### Sales

The slight increase in sales of domestic canned mushrooms (2 percent) in the first quarter of 1983, compared with the same quarter of 1982, primarily reflected increases in sliced mushrooms; these increases more than offset declines in sales of stems and pieces. Sales of frozen mushrooms (5.5 million pounds) were 2 percent less than in the corresponding period of 1982. Sales of frozen mushrooms were equivalent to 23 percent of canned mushroom sales, down slightly from 24 percent in the same quarter of 1982. Exports increased 23 percent to 54,000 pounds, but remained negligible with respect to U.S. production and apparent consumption.

### Imports

The 23-percent increase in imports of processed mushrooms in the first quarter of 1983, compared to the same quarter of 1982, reflects in part the downward adjustment of the temporary rate of duty increase which was imposed on prepared or preserved mushrooms, effective on November 1, 1980. The temporary duty increase, directed by the President, was taken under provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 following a U.S. International Trade Commission determination that imports of prepared or preserved mushrooms are a substantial cause of serious injury, or the threat thereof, to the domestic industry. First quarter 1983 imports were equivalent to 50 percent of consumption, compared with 45 percent in the same quarter a year earlier.

The People's Republic of China (China) was the principal supplier of imported processed mushrooms in the first quarter of 1983. Other major suppliers of imported mushrooms are Taiwan, Hong Kong, and the Republic of Korea (Korea). Between January-March 1982 and 1983, China's share of imports rose from 29 to 39 percent while Taiwan's decreased from 31 to 25 percent and Hong Kong's share dropped from 25 to 18 percent; Korea's share rose from 9 to 12 percent in the two quarters.

### MARKET YEAR DATA

As discussed in the sixteenth quarterly report, production, sales, ending inventories, imports, and apparent consumption of processed mushrooms all declined for the most recent marketing year (July 1981-June 1982) compared with the preceding marketing year (1980/81), but the ratio of imports to consumption rose from 45 to 46 percent. In 1981/82, China became the principal supplier of imported mushrooms, the position held by Taiwan in 1980/81.

A REPORT OF CERTAIN QUARTERLY STATISTICS FOR PROCESSED  
MUSHROOMS FOR SPECIFIED PERIODS

(The information provided in this report was compiled by the United States International Trade Commission as requested by the President in accordance with section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. §1332(g)), in order to monitor import competition in the domestic market for processed mushrooms. Data included herein cover the stocks, production, and sales of U.S. producers of canned mushrooms, sales of U.S. processors of frozen mushrooms, imports under items 144.20 and 922.56 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States, exports, and apparent consumption.)

Processed mushrooms: U.S. producers' carry-in and carry-out stocks, production, sales, exports of domestic merchandise, imports for consumption, and apparent consumption, January-March 1982 and 1983 and marketing years July 1, 1980-June 30, 1981, and July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982

(In thousands of pounds, drained-weight basis)				
Item	January-March		Marketing year	
	1982	1983	July 1, 1980- June 30, 1981	July 1, 1981- June 30, 1982
Carry-in stocks of				
canned mushrooms---	30,228	16,048	28,140	28,751
Carry-out stocks of				
canned mushrooms:				
9 ounces or less:				
Whole-----	793	461	417	847
Sliced-----	1,502	1,261	1,293	1,662
Other-----	16,555	8,483	21,146	18,158
Total-----	18,850	10,205	22,856	20,667
Over 9 ounces:				
Whole-----	46	30	64	73
Sliced-----	1,002	1,221	1,801	596
Other-----	6,110	2,877	4,030	5,917
Total-----	7,158	4,128	5,895	6,586
Total carry-out stocks---	26,008	14,333	28,751	27,253
Production of canned				
mushrooms:				
9 ounces or less:				
Whole-----	742	627	2,741	3,153
Sliced-----	2,082	1,734	6,773	5,768
Other-----	13,410	11,891	54,935	54,499
Total-----	16,234	14,252	64,449	63,420
Over 9 ounces:				
Whole-----	119	101	291	409
Sliced-----	3,165	4,327	16,769	16,598
Other-----	4,842	3,980	18,852	17,914
Total-----	8,126	8,408	35,912	34,921
Total production-----	24,360	22,660	100,361	98,341

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(In thousands of pounds, drained-weight basis)					
Item	January-March		Marketing year		
	1982	1983	July 1, 1980- June 30, 1981	July 1, 1981- June 30, 1982	
Sales:					
Canned mushrooms:					
9 ounces or less:					
Whole-----	644	609	4,080	2,489	
Sliced-----	1,384	1,815	8,169	5,491	
Other-----	13,457	13,164	48,576	51,095	
Total-----	15,485	15,588	60,825	59,075	
Over 9 ounces:					
Whole-----	77	118	369	279	
Sliced-----	3,509	4,250	19,135	15,781	
Other-----	4,647	4,318	19,164	17,114	
Total-----	8,233	8,686	38,668	33,174	
Total sales, canned-----	23,718	24,274	99,493	92,249	
Frozen mushrooms <u>1</u> /-----	5,644	5,542	17,464	21,566	
Exports-----	44	54	339	440	
Imports from--					
People's Republic of					
China-----	7,060	11,748	20,214	32,239	
Taiwan-----	7,568	7,480	39,448	30,238	
Hong Kong-----	6,054	5,435	21,398	21,408	
Republic of Korea-----	2,140	3,495	11,258	6,531	
All other-----	1,388	1,672	4,185	5,266	
Total-----	24,210	29,830	96,503	95,682	
Apparent consumption <u>2</u> /-----	53,528	59,592	213,121	209,057	
Ratio of imports to con-					
sumption-----percent--	45	50	45	46	

1/ Data on frozen mushrooms converted to drained-weight equivalents.

2/ Data do not take into account disappearance from losses or waste of domestic canners or changes in stocks of producers of canned or frozen mushrooms or importers.

Source: Stocks, production, and sales were estimated from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission; exports and imports were compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Note.--Data on stocks, production, and sales may not add because of losses.



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