PROCESSED MUSHROOMS:
U.S. PRODUCERS' PRODUCTION,
SALES, AND INVENTORIES, AND
U.S. IMPORTS, EXPORTS, AND
APPARENT CONSUMPTION
TWENTY-FOURTH
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THE TWENTY-FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT ON PROCESSED MUSHROOMS

HIGHLIGHTS

During the second quarter (April-June) 1985, compared with the same quarter in 1984:

- APPARENT CONSUMPTION of canned mushrooms decreased 9 percent to 75.6 million pounds;
- DOMESTIC PRODUCTION fell 4 percent to 32.0 million pounds;
- SALES of domestic canned mushrooms rose 30 percent to 26.4 million pounds;
- PRODUCER ENDING INVENTORIES of canned mushrooms increased 35 percent to 37.6 million pounds;
- IMPORTS fell 23 percent to 41.9 million pounds, constituting 55 percent of consumption compared with 66 percent last year; and
- EXPORTS decreased 66 percent to 80,000 pounds.

QUARTERLY STATISTICS

For the second quarter of 1985, compared with the same quarter a year earlier, apparent consumption, domestic production, imports, and exports decreased, while sales and ending inventories of canned mushrooms rose (see table). Ending inventories by producers totaled 37.6 million pounds (up 35 percent); production, 32.0 million pounds (down 4 percent); sales, 26.4 million pounds (up 30 percent); imports, 41.9 million pounds (down 23 percent); exports, 80,000 pounds (down 66 percent); and apparent consumption, 75.6 million pounds (down 9 percent).

Sales

The increase in sales of domestic canned mushrooms (30 percent) in the second quarter of 1985, compared with the same quarter of 1984, reflects an increase in sales of canned mushrooms in both container sizes; the bulk of the rise in sales was in the sliced style of pack. Sales of frozen mushrooms (7.4 million pounds) were 10 percent less than in the corresponding period of 1984 due to a decline in demand, and were equivalent to 28 percent of canned mushroom sales, down from 41 percent in the same quarter of 1984. Exports continued to be negligible with respect to U.S. production and apparent consumption.

Imports

The 23-percent decrease in imports of processed mushrooms in the second quarter of 1985, compared with the same quarter of 1984, reflects, in part, a decreased domestic demand for canned mushrooms, and a decline in foreign production for export, especially in the People's Republic of China (China). Second quarter 1985 imports were equivalent to 55 percent of consumption, compared with 66 percent in the same quarter a year earlier.

Taiwan was the leading supplier of imported processed mushrooms in the second quarter of 1985, the position held by China in the comparable quarter of 1984. Other major suppliers of imported mushrooms were China, Hong Kong, the Republic of Korea (Korea), and Spain. Between April—June 1984 and 1985, Taiwan's share of the imports increased from 31 to 36 percent while China's decreased from 31 to 24 percent; the shares of imports from Hong Kong and Korea increased from 15 to 17 percent and from 7 to 10 percent, respectively, while that from Spain fell from 10 to 9 percent. The share of imports from all other sources fell from 6 to 5 percent between April—June of 1984 and 1985.

MARKETING YEAR DATA

Production, ending inventories, sales, apparent consumption, and exports of processed mushrooms all rose for the most recent marketing year (July 1984—June 1985), compared with the previous marketing year 1983/84, while imports of processed mushrooms fell. The ratio of imports to consumption was 52 percent in 1984/85, compared with 57 percent a year earlier. In 1984/85, Taiwan was the principal supplier of imported mushrooms, the position it also held in 1983/84.

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, April—June 1984 and 1985 and marketing years July 1, 1983—June 30, 1984, and July 1, 1984—June 30, 1985

(In thousands of pounds, drained-weight basis) April-June Marketing year Item July 1, 1983— : July 1, 1984— 1984 1985 June 30, 1984 June 30, 1985 Carry-in stocks of canned mushrooms --: 15,029 : 31,980 : 14,980 : 27,908 Carry-out stocks of canned mushrooms: 9 ounces or less: 603 : 603: Whole--: 668 : 668 Sliced: 1,300 : 19,964 : 1,300 : 19,964 Other-: 6,560 16,399 : 6,560 : 16,399 : Total : 18,302 : 27,192 : 18,302 : 27,192 Over 9 ounces: Whole: 52: 45 : 52: 45 Sliced--: 4,857 : 4,857 : 4,587 : 4,587 Other : 4,697 : 5,791 : 4,697 : 5,791 Total-9,606 : 10,423 : 9,606 : 10,423 Total carryout stocks--: 27,908 : 37,615 : 27,908 : 37,615 Production of canned : mushrooms: 9 ounces or less: Whole--: 487 : 410 : 1,983 : 2,052 Sliced--: 1,954: 13,498 : 6,001: 26,946 Other-: 16,358 : 6,281 : 46,092 : 35,170 Total--: 18,799 : 20,189 : 54,076 : 64,168 Over 9 ounces: Whole--: 124: 90: 409 : 403 Sliced---: 8,481 : 7,266 : 21,681 : 27,447 Other--: 21,374 5,781 : 4,457 : 21,416: Total--: 14,386 : 11,813 : 43,506 : 49,224 Total produc- : tion---: 32,002 : 97,582 : 33,185 : 113,392 Processed mushrooms: U.S. producers' carry—in and carry—out stocks, production, sales, exports of domestic merchandise, imports for consumption, and apparent consumption, April—June 1984 and 1985 and marketing years July 1, 1983—June 30, 1984, and July 1, 1984—June 30, 1985—Continued

(In thousands of pounds, drained-weight basis)

Item	April-June		Marketing year		
	1984	1985	July 1, 1983— : June 30, 1984 :	,,	
Sales: :	:	:	:		
Canned mushrooms: :	:	:	:		
9 ounces or less::	:	:	:		
Whole:	548 :	438 :	1,890 :	1,990	
Sliced-:	1,362 :	6,350 :	5,818 :	17,346	
Other:	7,975 :	6,660 :	39,309 :	35,878	
Total:	9,885 :	13,448 :	47,017 :	55,214	
Over 9 ounces: :	:	:	:		
Whole-:	145 :	111 :	382 :	408	
Sliced:	5,402 :	7,642 :	18,481 :	26,932	
Other:	4,866 :	5,168 :	19,094 :		
Total:	10,413 :	12,921 :	37,957 :	47,874	
Total sales, :	:	:	:		
canned:	20,298 :	26,369 :	84,974 :	103,088	
Frozen mushrooms $1/$:	8,264 :	7,413 :	30,295 :	27,169	
Exports :	237 :	80 :	455 :	631	
Imports from— :	:	:	:		
Taiwan ::	16,743 :	15,136 :	55,513 :	55,261	
People's Republic :	:	:	:		
of China:	16,893 :	9,903 :	44,597 :	38,666	
Hong Kong:	8,368 :	6,916 :	20,769 :	19,006	
Republic of Korea:	3,849 :	4,204 :	10,503 :	10,104	
Spain:	5,191 :	3,591 :	11,807 :	10,879	
All other	3,298 :	2,147 :	9,463 :	9,334	
Total:	54,342 :	41,897 :	152,652 :	143,250	
Apparent :	:	:	:		
consumption <u>2</u> /:	82,667 :	75,599 :	267,466 :	272,876	
Ratio of imports to :	:	:	:		
consumption-percent:	66 :	55 :	57 :	. 52	

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

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.

^{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.