ECONOMICALLY SPEAKING

The International Dairy Federation states that the world's cows produced 595 million tons (540 million metric tons) of milk in 2004. However, some of this milk produced was used to manufacture cheese, butter, ice cream and other dairy products.

CHEESE PRODUCTION SUMMARY FOR SELECTED COUNTRIES 1,000 Metric Tons 2004 Preliminary

European Union ³	6,292	
United States	4,020	
Former Soviet Union	530	
Brazil	470	
Egypt	455	
Australia	391	
Canada	326	
New Zealand	313	
Mexico	130	
Japan	35	

BUTTER PRODUCTION SUMMARY FOR SELECTED COUNTRIES 1,000 Metric Tons 2004 Preliminary

European Union ³	2,201	
United States	550	
Former Soviet Union	465	
New Zealand	407	
Russia	270	
Australia	132	
Japan	82	
Canada	88	
Mexico	80	
Brazil	75	

Note: New Zealand figures year end May 31. Australia figures year end June 30.



In addition to milk cows, beef, veal, pork, broiler meat and turkey contribute to the 18.6 million tons of livestock raised throughout the world.

2004 TOTALS OF LIVESTOCK IN SELECTED COUNTRIES 1,000 Metric Tons

	Beef and Veal ¹	Pork ¹	Broiler ²	Turkey ²
Australia	2,100	n/a	n/a	n/a
Brazil	7,975	2,600	8,408	226
Canada	1,460	1,930	920	147
China	6,683	47,350	n/a	n/a
European Union ³	8,077	21,200	7,640	2,070
Japan	n/a	1,271	1,124	n/a
Mexico	2,150	1,150	2,400	14
Russian Federation	1,590	1,725	15	n/a
United States	11,261	9,312	15,285	2,441

Figures supplied by the United States Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service from various counselor and attache reports, official statistics and results of office research, released April 2005.

Notes:

(1) Carcass Weight Equivalent (2) Ready to Cook Equivalent

(3) Data represents EU-25 member states