



USDA Foreign Agricultural Service

GAIN Report

Global Agriculture Information Network

Voluntary Report - public distribution

Date: 09/10/2003

GAIN Report Number: MX3124

Mexico

Poultry and Products

Mexico cancelled the ban for imports of U.S. poultry products

2003

Approved by:

Kate DeRemer
U.S. Embassy Mexico City

Prepared by:

Gabriel Hernandez

Report Highlights:

Mexico's Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA) published in the *Mexican Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) on September 9, 2003 the cancellation of the announcement that banned all imports of U.S. poultry products from Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Colorado & New Mexico due to an Exotic Newcastle Disease outbreak.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
Unscheduled Report
Mexico [MX1]
[MX]

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: Mexico's Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA) published in the *Mexican Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) on September 9, 2003 the cancellation of the announcement that banned all imports of U.S. poultry products from Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Colorado & New Mexico due to an Exotic Newcastle Disease outbreak. The announcement indicates that the epidemiological activities to control the Exotic Newcastle Disease outbreak, carried out by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS/USDA), were successful. Consequently, the absence of the Newcastle virus and incidences of this illness in the states of Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Colorado and New Mexico was determined and verified *in situ* by Mexican officials from January 26 through February 1st, 2003.

Background: On January 10, 2003, Mexico's Secretariat of Agriculture (SAGARPA) announced that it had banned all imports of U.S. poultry products (except for cooked meat) because of an outbreak of Newcastle Disease in California, but would allow shipments to enter through January 17, 2003. On January 14, 2003, USDA sent a technical team from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to Mexico to try and address SAGARPA's concerns and explain USDA's Newcastle control procedures. After nearly 20 hours of meetings over four days, SAGARPA agreed to temporarily regionalize the ban. Therefore, as a temporary measure, and until the risk analysis to evaluate the situation in the U.S. was completed, poultry would be allowed to enter only under certain terms (see MX3016).

The following GAIN reports contain related information on the issue:

Report #	Name	Date
MX3002	GOM Establishes New Import Requirements for END and Poultry Meat for Further Processing	01/06/2003
MX3007	Poultry Banned due to END	01/13/2003
MX3013	Poultry Agreements on Newcastle Disease to Export to Mexico	01/24/2003
MX3016	Update- Poultry Agreements on Newcastle Disease to Export to Mexico	01/28/2003

Products affected – U.S. Live Birds, poultry products and by-products.

For More Information:

AgMexico@usda.gov

Fax: 011-52-55-5080-2776

Internet Connections

FAS Mexico Web Site: We are available at <http://www.atomexico.gob.mx> or visit our headquarter's home page at <http://www.fas.usda.gov> for a complete selection of FAS' worldwide agricultural reporting.

Useful Mexican Web Sites: Mexico's equivalent of the Department of Agriculture (SAGARPA) can be found at www.sagar.gob.mx and Mexico's equivalent of the Department of Commerce (SE) can be found at www.se.gob.mx. These web sites are mentioned for the readers' convenience but USDA does NOT in any way endorse, guarantee the accuracy of, or necessarily concur with the information contained on the mentioned sites.