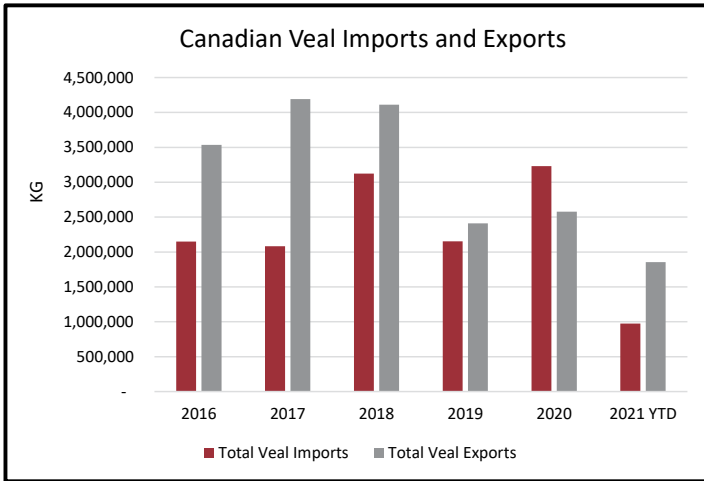
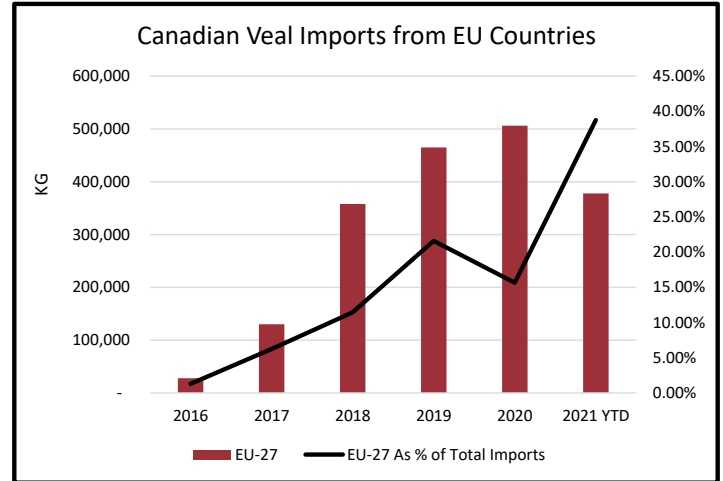


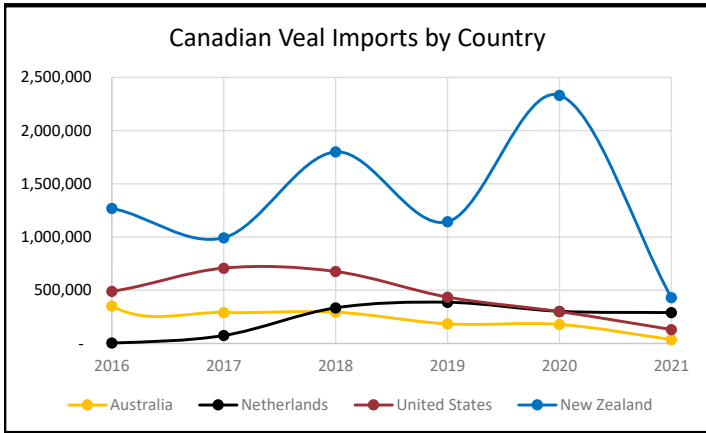
A quarterly snapshot of Canada's veal trade



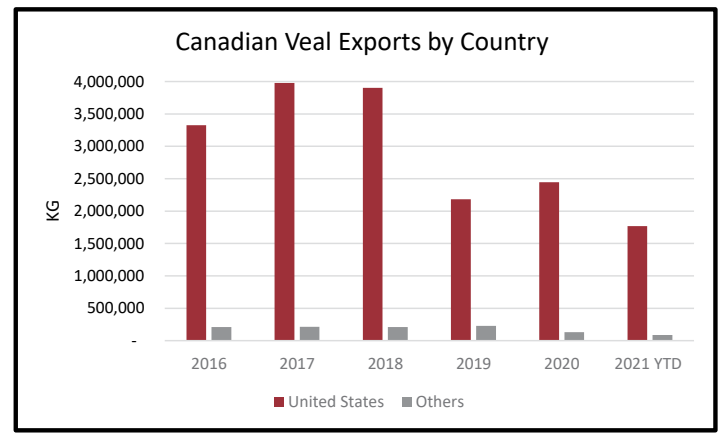
The 1st half of 2021 continues to show strong veal exports, resulting in a trade surplus. Canadian veal exports amounted to 1.85 million KGs, a year to date (YTD) increase of 84% when compared to 2020. Notably, veal imports also increased significantly compared to 2020, with volumes up to nearly 1 million KGs.



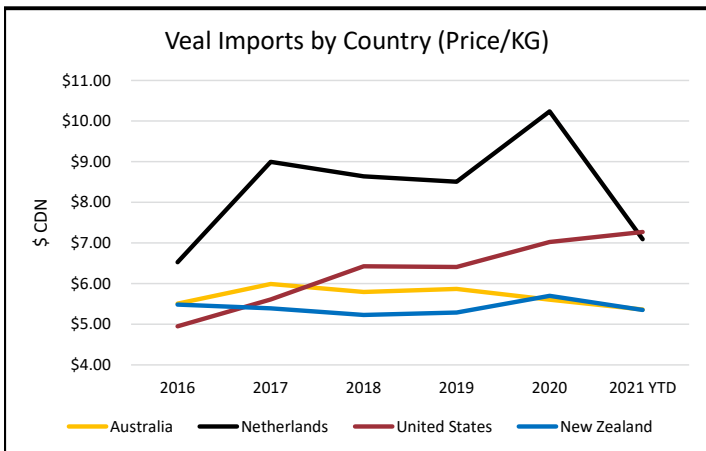
The volume of veal imports from the EU (red) is up 161% YTD, to over 375,000 KGs in the first half of 2021. The percentage of total imports from the EU (black) increased from 16% in 2020 to 39% in 2021. While the Netherlands still represents the largest supplier of European imports, there has been an increase in imports from Italy and, to a lesser degree, Germany.



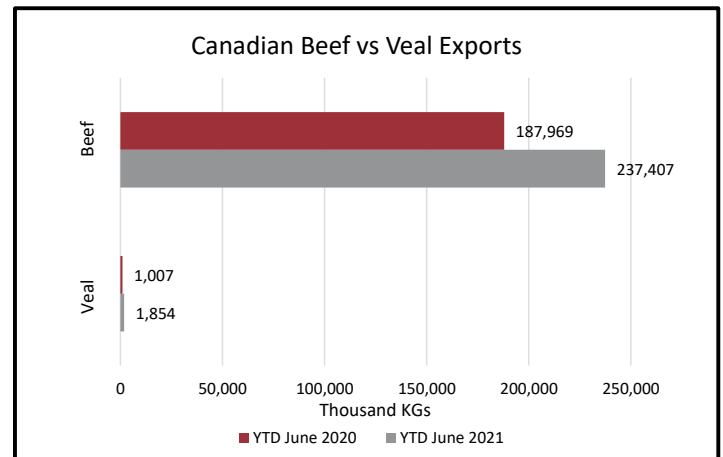
The plurality of Canada's veal imports continues to originate from New Zealand. Imports from the Netherlands and USA have increased from 2020, while few Australian imports have been reported so far this year. More veal is now imported from the Netherlands than the USA.



Veal exports to the USA increased YTD by 80% compared to 2020. A coding error by Statistics Canada meant that veal previously reported as being exported to Japan was actually beef. A small amount of veal continues to be exported to the Middle East.



The per KG price of veal imported from the Netherlands has declined significantly. This is a new development that will be monitored closely as EU veal imports are generally higher quality cuts and usually command a price premium. The value of American cuts also continues to increase in 2021.



While veal represents just a small fraction of Canada's red meat trade, both veal and beef exports have increased in 2021.

All data retrieved from AAFC and Statistics Canada, red meat section.