



Exports of Brazilian beef registers growth of 16% in billing and 13% in volume in the month of January

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São Paulo, February 16, 2017 -The year started positively for the Brazilian beef industry, which registered sales of US\$ 436 million in January, with shipments of more than 112 thousand tons. Compared with the same month of 2016, the growth was 16% in sales and 13% in tons exported, according to figures released by the Brazilian Association of Meat Exporters (ABIEC).

Among the ten countries or regions importing Brazilian beef, Hong Kong and China were the markets that most bought the national product in January. Compared with the previous month (December 2016), both showed growth in both turnover and volume. Compared to Hong Kong, the turnover is more than US\$ 97 million, an increase of 4% compared to the previous month. China, on the other hand, bought 18,000 tons of meat, 21% more than in December, generating a turnover of approximately US\$ 75 million, 18% more than in the previous month.

Another country worthy of note is Egypt, which recorded a 55% increase in the volume of Brazilian beef purchased and a 65% increase in revenue in January, also compared to December.

Position	Country/region	Billing US\$ (January/2017)	Volume in tons (January/2017)
1	Hong Kong	97,851,799.46	27,757.27
2	China	74,825,814.54	18,235.86
3	European Union	47,671,739.74	7,582.65
4	Iran	43,675,642.54	11,432.94
5	Russia	32,976,932.41	10,959.21
6	Egypt	20,673,193.57	6,409.56
7	Chile	18,799,487.47	4,126.39
8	Saudi Arabia	14,288,964.34	3,875.62
9	United States	12,465,010.53	2,051.03
10	Algeria	10,636,172.73	2,995.24

"We started 2017 with good numbers in exports and even recorded the resumption of some markets like Hong Kong, China, Egypt and Saudi Arabia. However, we will focus on new markets and expand our presence in strategic and important markets, such as the United States and the European Union, " says Antônio Jorge Camardelli, president of ABIEC.

Categories – Fresh meat was the most exported product category. In January, it reached a turnover of US\$ 353 million, with shipments of more than 87 thousand tons, a drop of 4% in sales and 1% in volume exported.



Position	Category	Billing US\$ (January/2017)	Volume – ton. (January/2017)
1	Fresh Meat	352,580,249.42	87,177.61
2	Offals	47,099,325.50	17,416.61
3	Industrialized	29,934,709.48	6,211.66
4	Tripe	3,287,050.14	1,202.94
5	Salted	2,965,550.15	473.89

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Created in 1979, the Brazilian Association of Meat Exporting Industries (ABIEC) brings together 30 companies of the sector in the country, responsible for 91% of meat traded to international markets. Its creation was a response to the need for a more active performance in the beef export segment in Brazil, by defending the interests of the sector, increasing efforts to reduce trade barriers and promoting domestic products. Currently, Brazil produces around 10 million tons of beef, approximately 20% are traded to dozens of countries around the world, following the most stringent quality standards.

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