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## **Brazil Jan-Apr pork exports rise 95% yoy to \$342.7m**

**São Paulo, 11** - Brazil's January-to-April pork exports rose 95% compared with the same period last year to \$342.7 million, according to figures out Wednesday from the Brazilian Pork Packaging and Export Association (Abipecs).

In terms of volume shipped there was a 36.5% increase to 182,102 metric tons. Average price over the period was \$1,930/t against \$1,882/t over the same period last year.

In April an all-time record of 60,040 tons was shipped.

"Brazil had never previously surpassed the figure of 60,000 tons shipped in a month," said Abipecs president Pedro de Camargo Neto.

In terms of revenue April's pork exports totaled \$115.8 million.

Compared with April 2004 pork exports rose 106.5% in revenue and 45% in volume.

"Brazil has profited from the sanitation problems of other countries," said Camargo Neto.

"Added to which some shipments were transferred to April from March because of bureaucratic problems with Russia," he added.