



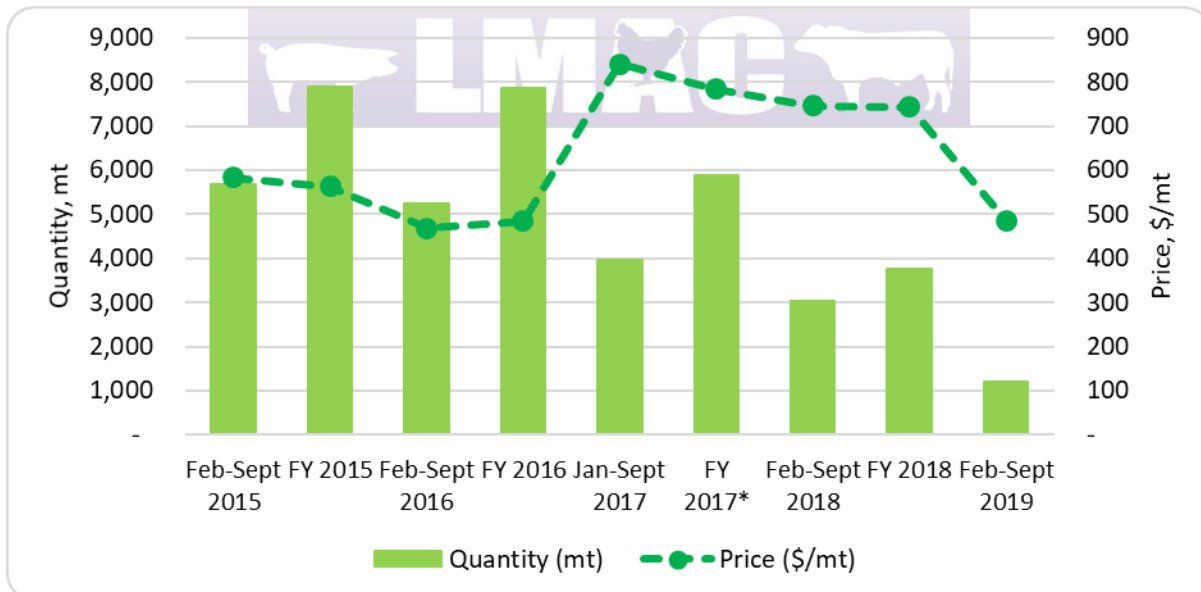
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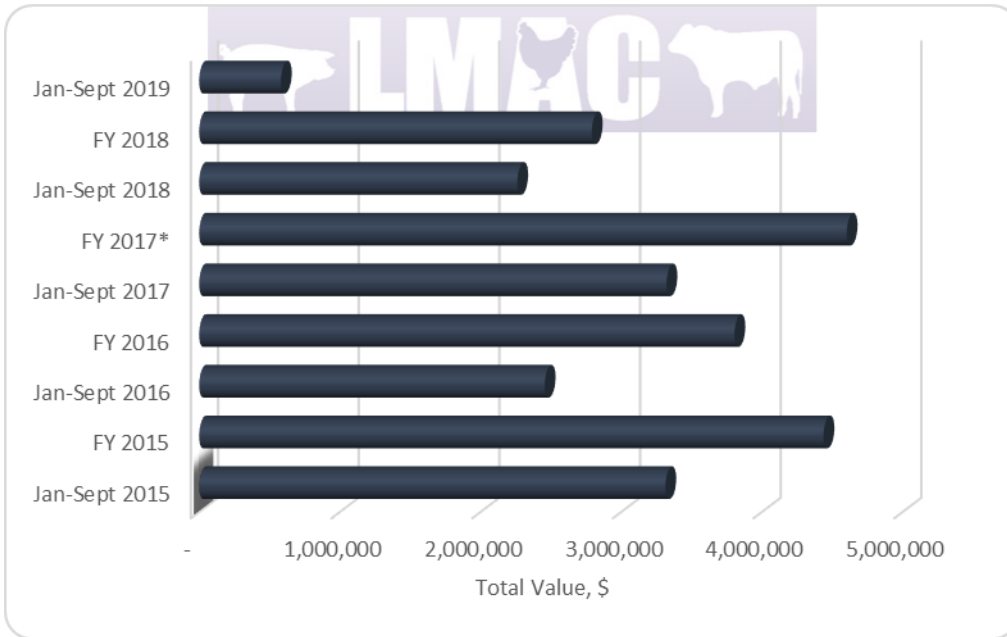
Meat Processing Sector

Cumulative imports of mechanically deboned meat (MDM) for January to September 2019 was 1,197mt, a decline of 61% on imports for the same period in 2018. The average cost decreased by 35% from USD 746 to 486/mt.

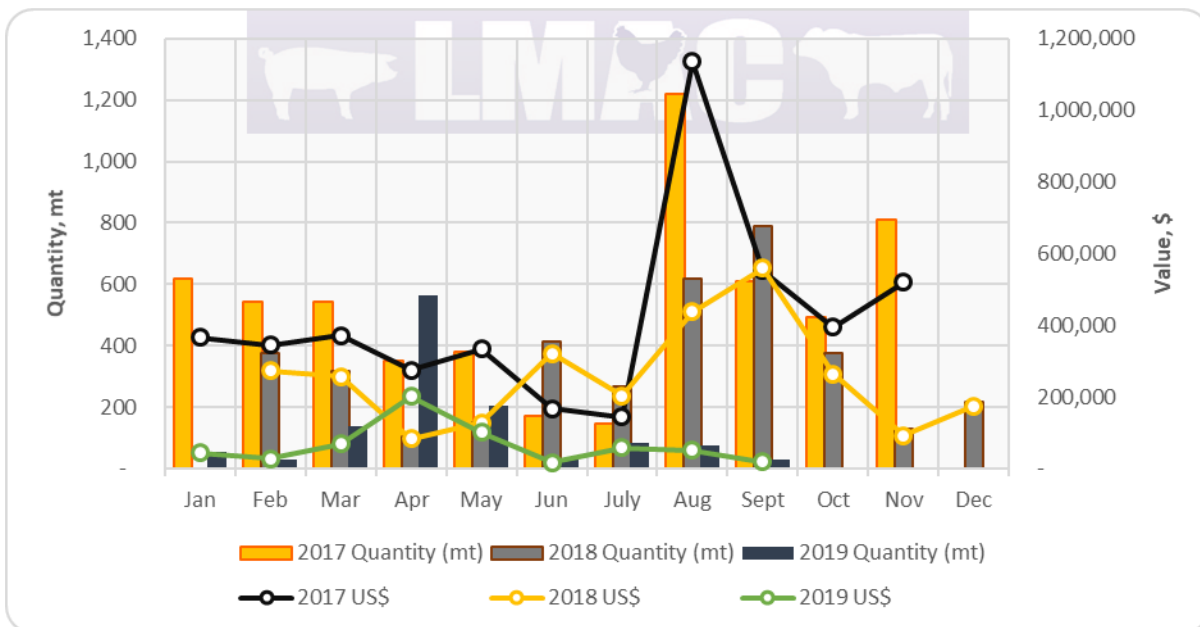


Imports of Mechanically Deboned Meat, 2015 – September 2019

Total value of MDM imports in the nine months to September 2019 amounted to USD 581,830 whereas for the same period in 2018, imports amounted to USD 2,3million.



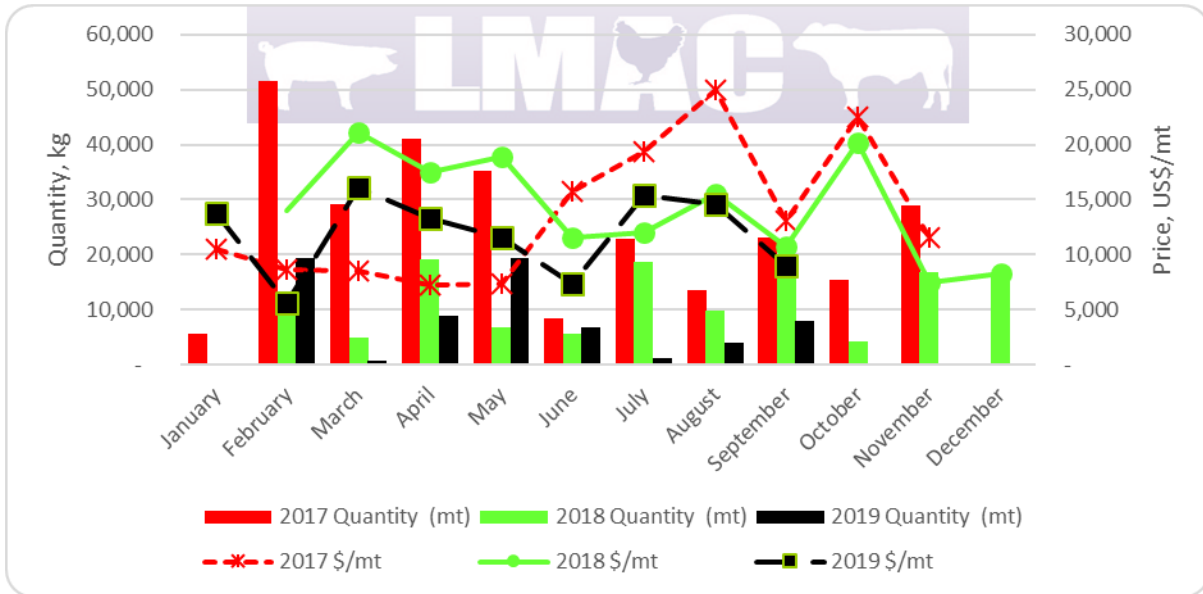
Value of Mechanically Deboned Meat, 2015 – September 2019



Imports of Mechanically Deboned Meat, 2016 - 2019

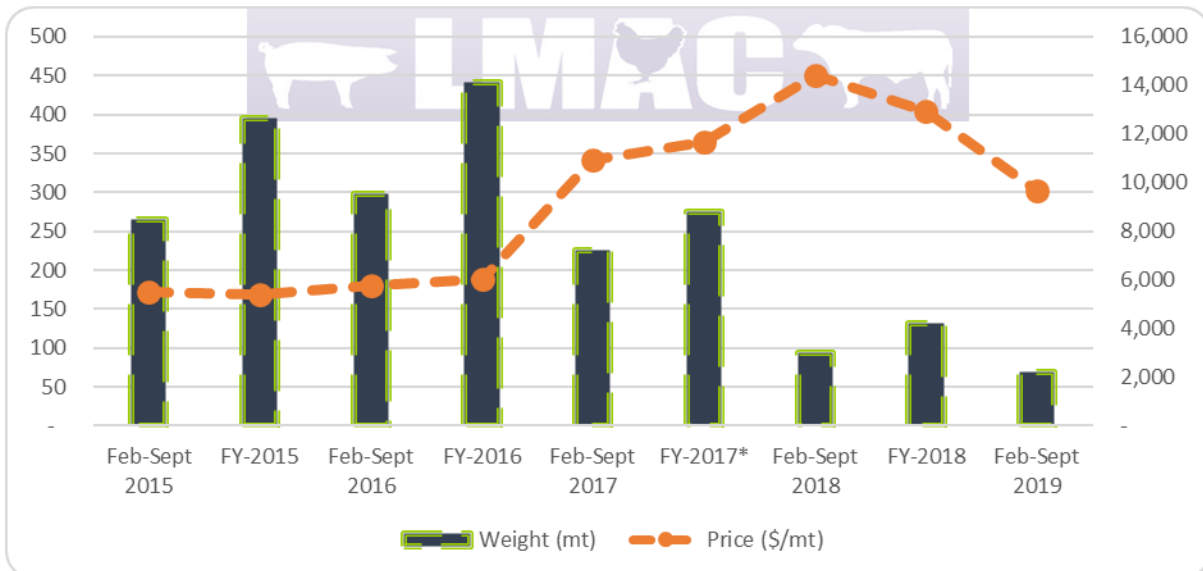
Sausage Casings

Imports of sausage casings to September 2019 amounted to USD 664,682, a decline of 51% on imports between January and September 2018 at a value of \$1.7m. Total quantity imported was 68mt compared with 132mt in 2018.



Monthly Imports of Sausage Casings, 2017 – September 2019

The average import cost of sausage casings between January and September 2019 was USD 9,682/mt, a decrease of 33% over the same period in 2018 and was also 25% lower than the average cost in 2018.



Average Price and Quantity of Imported Sausage Casings, 2015 – September 2019

The global sausage casings market is being primarily driven by factors such as an increase in fast food restaurants, increasing household consumption of processed meats and the growing meat-processing industry in emerging markets. Although the demand for natural casings is high, with increasing costs of production, the supply of artificial casings is growing at a significant pace.