

***Productivity growth and “catching-up”: Implications for  
China's trade in livestock products***

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## I. INTRODUCTION

In the past decade there has been a marked shift in the composition of grains/livestock in favor of processed livestock products. The value of coarse grains trade peaked in 1981 at about \$20 billion. By contrast, global trade in cattle and other meat products amounted to \$11.7 billion, respectively in 1981, but, by 1995 their value had risen to \$22.6 and \$25 billion, respectively, substantially surpassing trade in coarse grains (GTAP version 4 database). There are a number of factors driving this changing profile of world trade. The first is on the demand side. As per capita income grows, people tend to prefer a more diverse diet, and expenditures on some food items such as meats, beverages, and fruit tend to grow faster than food staples such as cereals and legumes. Delgado *et al.* (1999) observe that the less than a quarter of the world's population living in the developed countries presently consume an average of three times the meat and five times the milk per capita as people in developing countries. Yet it is in developing countries where massive annual increases in the aggregate consumption of animal products are occurring. From the beginning of the 1970s to the mid-1990s, consumption of meat in developing countries increased by 70 million metric tons, a volume more than twice as large as the increase in developed countries, and two-thirds as large as the increase in consumption of cereals in developing countries.

A second factor driving the changing composition of world trade derives from the supply side. Coyle *et al.* (1998) note that another force driving the observed structural change in world food markets derives from the supply side, particularly in East Asia, where competition for scarce labor and capital with rapidly growing manufacturing activity, as well as environmental constraints, have limited expansion of livestock production. Thirdly, innovations in international transportation of livestock products via refrigerated containers and refrigerated bulk vessels also contributed to the growth. Finally, in some cases, such as beef imports into Japan, policy reforms have stimulated additional trade. Coyle, *et al.* (1998) ascertained that, of these four forces, the basic demand and supply-side forces were most important in fueling the changing composition of world food trade over the 1980-95 period.

But can we expect this relatively rapid growth in livestock trade to continue? Recent work by Cranfield *et al.* (1998) suggests that demand side forces are indeed in place to fuel such growth. Figure 1 reports fitted budget shares (at mean prices) for food products, from an AIDS demand system estimated using 1985 data from the International Comparisons Project. The vertical bars show real income levels for six focus countries in 1985 in the following order (left to right): Ethiopia, Pakistan, Senegal, Korea, France and the United States. While grain budget share is declining over the full range of the sample, the budget shares for livestock, horticulture and vegetable and other food products increase at lower levels of per capita expenditure (section I), reach a maximum, and then decline as per capita expenditure grows. Note that the importance of grains relative to livestock products changes dramatically as per capita expenditure increases (section II). The latter has the largest budget share of the food products when per capita expenditure exceeds an average level of per capita expenditure roughly equal to that of Pakistan in 1985. At lower income levels, the increasing budget share for

livestock products derives from an income elasticity of demand in excess of one. This meat livestock demand can be expected to grow as fast, or faster than the economy at large, there potentially fueling strong import demand. In fact, Cranfield *et al.* (1998) project annual growth in per capita livestock product demand in Ethiopia (the poorest country in the sample) over the period 1995 to 2020 to be double that in the richer countries (3.4% vs. 1.8% in France). When population growth is factored in, the annual growth in livestock demand is three times higher in Ethiopia (Cranfield *et al.*, 1998b, Table 3).

Using a global food model (International Model for Policy Analysis of Agricultural Commodities and Trade-IMPACT), Delgado *et al.* (1999) project that aggregate meat consumption in the developing countries will grow by nearly 100 million metric tons (MMT) between the early 1990s and 2020, whereas the corresponding figures for developed countries are 16 MMT. Similarly, additional milk consumption in the developed countries of 13 MMT of Liquid Milk Equivalents (LME) will be dwarfed by the additional consumption in the developing countries of 227 MMT. They also indicate that the experience will vary widely among the different parts of the developing world, with China leading the way on meat with a doubling of the total quantity consumed. India and other South Asian countries will drive a large increase in total milk consumption.

These demand side forces could explain the rapid growth in livestock product trade in the last two decades. But what about the supply side? Why not just import grains and raise the livestock locally? Clearly this depends on a whole host of factors, including local environmental constraints, transport costs and relative levels of productivity in livestock production. One might guess that eventually LDCs will catch up with, or at least approach, productivity levels in the US and Europe. Wouldn't it then make sense to ship the lower cost grains and grow the labor-intensive livestock products locally? Sector-specific productivity considerations were absent from the Coyle *et al.* (1998) historical analysis referenced above, and those authors identified this as one of the possible explanations for the large, unexplained residual in their predictions from bulk to high value food trade.

In a subsequent paper by Rae and Hertel (1998), the authors formally test for convergence in livestock productivity among the Asia-Pacific economies. They found evidence of recent convergence in productivity levels for pig and poultry production, but generally not for ruminant production. At the country level, significant "catch-up" to North American levels was demonstrated for China (poultry and pigs), Australia (pigs, beef and milk), Korea (pigs) and Southeast Asia (pigs). For non-ruminant production, the speed with which the technology gap had been closing was greatest for China. The authors then attempt to draw out implications for trade in livestock and grains. However, their projections are simple extrapolations of "catch-up" trends. Clearly there is a limit to the amount of "catching-up" that can occur, and this needs to be taken into account when making projections. In this paper we seek to improve on the Rae/Hertel effort by decomposing productivity growth into two parts. The first is an underlying trend in the technical frontier – while the second represents individual countries' movement towards that frontier. This calls for a different approach to productivity measurement, which will be developed in the next section.

This paper places particular emphasis on China. While considerable past research has been directed at quantifying China's possible future role in international grains trade (L

and Agcaoili-Sombilla 1997), a similar question arises with respect to trade in livestock products. China is a net exporter of pigmeat, but in 1991 switched from a net exporter to a importer of poultry meat. By 1995, China's pigmeat exports were 230,000 tonnes and net imports of poultry meat had reached 235,000 tonnes, making China the third largest poultry importer in the world. On a value basis in 1995, China had a positive trade balance for live products in aggregate. Delgado *et al* (1999) project net exports for 2020 of 300,000 tonnes each of pig and poultry meat. Wang *et al* (1998) make projections to 2005 under the assumption of elimination of China's meat import tariffs. When the pork tariff is eliminated, 2005 net imports are 491,000 tonnes (compared with a baseline of 91,000 net exports in 2005). For poultry, elimination of the tariff gives net imports in 2005 of 989,000 tonnes (compared with 2005 baseline net imports of 709,000 tonnes). Recent unpublished research at OECD projects declining pigmeat net exports and a rapid increase in China's poultry meat imports to the year 2004. Thus there seems to be general agreement therefore that China will remain a net exporter of pigmeat in the absence of tariff reductions, but that the volume of such exports will diminish. However, the above findings are not unanimous when it comes to China's future trade status with respect to poultry meat.

## II. BACKGROUND AND REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE

### Scope for Improvements in Livestock Technology

Modern science has developed, and continues to develop a large number of technologies enhancing the productivity of livestock production, processing and marketing activities. The use of exotic breeds has enabled genetic improvement within herds and flocks to be speeded up and genetic improvement has been enhanced even further with the aid of biotechnology. The latter involves the use of living organisms to produce improvements within animals, such as the various genetic engineering (DNA) techniques to manipulate genetic material and to transfer genes from one organism to another. In such ways, animal quality may be rapidly upgraded through improvements in genetic make-up and in the rate of reproduction. Biotechnology has also aided improvements in feed efficiency, milk production, and in the development of vaccines. Numerous compounds have been developed to promote faster growth and improve feed efficiency, such as the use of anabolic steroids in cattle as a growth promoter. Also becoming well known is the elevation of natural levels of somatotropins (naturally-occurring protein hormones) in cattle, pigs, poultry and sheep. Growth rates, feed efficiency and milk yields may all be increased.

In the area of animal health, biotechnology offers promise for the improved diagnosis and treatment of animal disease. Livestock health research will also benefit from the increasing resources available to human health research. For example, genomics is a new science applicable to both humans and livestock that permits sequencing and mapping of the genome (a genetic map of a living organism). Genomics takes advantage of the work of the genomes of disease organisms and permits the development of new generations of vaccines, including those that use recombinant antigens to pathological agents (Fitzhugh, 1998; Delgado *et al.* 1999). In the developing regions typically lack low-cost, easy-to-use diagnostics, vaccines, and control strategies for disease organisms and vectors. Among the parasitic diseases, trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness) transmitted by tsetse flies, poses an enormous constraint to cattle production.

in most of the humid and sub-humid zones of Africa. Other important parasitic diseases include helminthiasis and tick-borne diseases. Although helminths are rarely fatal, they become a limiting factor in the intensification stage. Ticks have the capacity to transmit diseases such as theileriosis (or East Coast Fever) in Eastern and Southern Africa. An effective vaccine for this disease may soon be available with a potentially large impact in ruminant productivity in these countries (Delgado et al. 1999).

To improve feed quantity and quality, research to reduce costs and improve efficiency has to be highly targeted. The identification of suitable traits and their molecular markers will improve the quality of tropical feeds derived from crops. Breeders use the markers to develop dual purpose crops with improved grain and protein content for humans and non-ruminants. Higher quality crop residues for ruminants. Plant genomics and phytochemistry will tackle nutritional factors, some of which can be poisonous to ruminants. Microbial techniques exist that can help enrich ruminant ecosystems with microbes that can better detoxify anti-nutritional factors.

Artificial insemination (AI) is a well-known reproductive technology, but recent developments in embryo transfer raise the possibility that it might replace AI. A range of associated techniques have been developed. The transfer of embryos from donor to recipient animals allows the build-up of genetically superior animals using lower-grade and inexpensive recipients. Thus herd improvement can be achieved at faster rates than with natural mating or artificial insemination. But this form of reproduction will not become widespread in the developing countries within the next 20 years (Cunningham, 1997). Other techniques include splitting of embryos to produce multiple copies of genetically identical animals, embryo cloning, *in vitro* fertilization and sex determination. Recent advances in cloning of embryos could potentially have a large impact on livestock production, particularly of dairy cattle in the developed world. But this is still an area where a number of complex ethical issues have yet to be resolved (Cunningham, 1997).

Numerous mechanical technologies have been developed for application on farms, and within processing and marketing systems. Some examples include electronic monitoring of individual animal performance and the use of computers to control feed rations and the animal environment. Advances in herd health management through adjusted weaning age, animal nutrition and housing design have cut expenses on medications while increasing growth rates and feed efficiency. Robotic techniques are increasingly used in processing operations, and other techniques allow product shelf-life to be extended and product quality to be enhanced.

Such developments are likely to continue apace into the future. Simpson *et al.* refer to a 1992 report (U.S. Congress, OTA), that lists 42 potentially available animal technologies as of 1992, of which 22 were expected to be available by 1995 and all but nine by the year 2000. The success with which these can be brought into commercial use in the country of origin (in many cases the USA) to recipient countries in Asia, and the rate and success with which they may be adopted, will be influenced by many factors. Empirical research by economists typically focuses on estimating, and possibly extrapolating, the overall rate of adoption as evidenced by aggregate productivity indexes. This is the approach adopted here.

## Measuring aggregate productivity

The basic concept in productivity measurement is total factor productivity (TFP), the ratio of an index of aggregate output to an index of aggregate input. Changes in TFP can be decomposed into components measuring changes in technical efficiency, scale, and the state of technology (Capalbo, 1988). The literature on TFP measurement has historically been divided into two strands (Capalbo, 1988a,b; Capalbo *et al.*, 1991): the growth accounting (index number) approach and the econometric approach.

The index number approach involves the use of detailed accounts of inputs and output aggregating them into input and output indexes, then in turn using these indexes to calculate indexes. The literature seems to prefer the Divisia index, because it is defined in continuous form and is exact for the case of homogenous translog functions (Capalbo and Antle, 1988). There are many ways to get a discrete approximation to the Divisia index. The Tornqvist approximation is the most commonly used because of the popularity of second-order approximations to cost production functions. More specifically, if the logarithm of the cost function is quadratic in the logarithm of prices and output, then the Tornqvist index is the "true" index. This is known as Diewert's quadratic lemma (Diewert, 1997). The translog function does not require input-output perfect substitutes, but rather permits all marginal productivities to adjust proportionally to changing prices. Hence the prices from different periods being compared enter the Divisia index to represent different marginal productivities.

The econometric approach to productivity measurement is based on statistical estimation of the production technology. It allows the researcher to relax some of the assumptions implicit in the index number approach, including: neutrality of technical change, industry equilibrium (generally) constant returns to scale. Most studies use a flexible functional form to represent the production technology (production or cost function) and econometrically estimate this function, its derivatives, or both. Technical change is generally specified using time-trend variables (Capalbo, 1988a,b). However, this comes at the cost of new assumptions. For sufficient degrees of freedom, and to mitigate multicollinearity problems, it is generally necessary to aggregate input-output data into a relatively small number of categories thereby implying input separability. Another strong assumption is that, with a few exceptions (Dorfman and Foster, 1991; Rudstrom and Foster, 1993; Kalirajan *et al.*, 1996), technological change is represented as a function of time. Additional assumptions of competitive pricing and efficient input utilization must be made when estimating cost or profit functions. Finally, assumptions about the statistical properties of the data must be made.

Index numbers have been extensively used in the analysis of agricultural production. The U.S. Department of Agriculture uses this methodology and the Department's Economic Research Service routinely publishes total factor productivity measures from production accounts (Ball, 1984 and 1985; Ball *et al.*, 1997). Jorgenson and Nishimizu (1978) have extended this methodology to cover inter-country comparisons of TFP. This has led to a literature on multilateral total factor productivity indexes including applications to agriculture by Capalbo, Foster and Denny (1990), and Capalbo, Denny, Hoque and Overton (1991). Ehui and Spencer (1991) have used the Divisia approach to TFP to measure the sustainability and economic viability

alternative farming systems in Africa. Developments in international comparisons of TFP c found in Ball (1997).

Recently, a different approach to the use of index numbers has been developed, based on the pioneering article of Caves, Christensen and Diewert (1982). They proposed a framework for input, output, and productivity measurement that does not proceed from a continuous time representation. As stated in Färe *et al.* (1996): “They revolutionized the index number approach to productivity measurement by abandoning the idea that these indexes were at best a discrete (and therefore inaccurate) approximation to the continuous time derivatives used in econometric approaches. Instead, they showed that index numbers could be based directly on very general representations of technology, namely distance functions.” They named these indexes after Malmquist who first applied this methodology, in the context of consumption behavior, in

Färe *et al.* (1994) implement the Caves, Christensen and Diewert distance function approach to productivity measurement using non-parametric methods. Färe’s approach does not require a specific functional form (Caves *et al.* assume a translog structure), it does not require prices and it can be implemented in a multiple-output setting with many inputs (no separability assumptions are required). Furthermore, since they adopt a frontier function approach based on linear programming, inefficiencies are permitted, thereby relaxing the requirement for long run industry equilibrium. The resulting measures of efficiency are unit-free, so there is no problem extending the methodology to international comparisons.

For our purposes, the most important part of the Färe *et al.* (1994) work is that it offers a convenient decomposition of productivity changes due to changes in efficiency (catching-up) and changes in the frontier, “technical change”. This decomposition, in turn, enables us to formally estimate the frontier, compared with the earlier assumption of Rae and Hertel (1994) that North American productivity levels defined that frontier.

### The Distance Function Approach

Following Färe *et al.*, for each time period  $t=1, \dots, T$ , the production technology  $S^t$  is defined as the transformation of inputs  $x^t$  into outputs  $y^t$ . The output distance function is defined at time  $t$  as

$$(1) \quad D_0^t(x^t, y^t) = \inf\{ \mathbf{q} : (x^t, y^t / \mathbf{q}) \in S^t \}$$

To define the Malmquist index it is necessary to define distance functions with respect to two different time periods:

$$(2) \dots \dots D_0^t(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1}) = \inf\{ \mathbf{q} : (x^{t+1}, y^{t+1} / \mathbf{q}) \in S^t \}$$

which measures the maximal proportional change in outputs required to make  $(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})$  feasible in relation to the technology at  $t$ . Also a distance function that measures the maximal proportional change in output required to make  $(x^t, y^t)$  feasible in relation to the technology at  $t+1$ :

$$(3) \quad D_0^{t+1}(x^t, y^t) = \inf\{q : (x^t, y^t / q) \in S^{t+1}\}$$

The Malmquist productivity index with technology in period t as the reference, is then defined as:

$$(4) \quad M^t = \frac{D_0^t(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})}{D_0^t(x^t, y^t)}$$

The index can be defined also with the technology in t+1 as the reference technology. Fare defined the Malmquist productivity change index as the geometric mean of the two indexes:

$$(5) \quad M_0(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1}, x^t, y^t) = \left[ \left( \frac{D_0^t(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})}{D_0^t(x^t, y^t)} \right) \left( \frac{D_0^{t+1}(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})}{D_0^{t+1}(x^t, y^t)} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

The index can be decomposed into two parts:

$$(6) \quad M_0(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1}, x^t, y^t) = \frac{D_0^{t+1}(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})}{D_0^t(x^t, y^t)} \left[ \left( \frac{D_0^t(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})}{D_0^{t+1}(x^{t+1}, y^{t+1})} \right) \left( \frac{D_0^t(x^t, y^t)}{D_0^{t+1}(x^t, y^t)} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where the ratio outside the brackets measures the change in relative efficiency between year t and t+1 (a measure of "catching-up"). The geometric mean inside the brackets captures the change in technology between the two periods evaluated at t and t+1 (technical change). (In this study we assume neutrality of technical change and so the geometric mean used by Fare et al in their technical change component of the index is not necessary.)

### III. RESULTS FOR 1961-97

Our data on the global livestock sector are drawn from FAOSTAT 1998, the statistical database of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). In particular, data on livestock production and animal stocks covering the period 1961-1997 for ten countries/regions were used to estimate the Malmquist Index and the two components of productivity change identified above. Note that since we do not have a complete inventory of inputs used in livestock production, our measurement of "output per head of livestock" is a partial, not total, factor productivity indicator. (It is very difficult to obtain input allocation for the production of agricultural commodities, since most farms produce multiple products.) From this point on, we will refer to our measure of partial factor productivity simply as "productivity". However, it should be borne in mind that this measure is fundamentally limited and will be inaccurate in the face of substantial factor substitution.

Table 1 reports the average annual rate of productivity growth over the sample period for each country/sector pair in the sample, reported as a ratio of productivity in the year t+1 and year t. We can see, for example, that the average rate of productivity growth in Australian pig

production over the 1961-97 period was 1.62%/year. In the case of pig production, China exhibits the highest rate of productivity growth over this period (4.19%/year). Beef production in Sub-Saharan Africa actually experienced technological regress over the 1961-97 sample period. Comparing mean productivity growth rates, the poultry sector was the most dynamic during the period, with a mean annual growth rate of 2.7%.

However, perusal of Table 1 raises more questions than it answers: Can we expect the high rate of productivity growth in China's pig production to continue? How much of this growth was due to "catching-up" which is eventually doomed to diminish in significance? Table 2 presents the Fare *et al.* decomposition of productivity growth into country-specific catching-up growth rates (main body of the table) and world-wide frontier (technical change) growth rates (bottom row of the table). Given the importance of more recent developments in formulating projections into the future, we report separately the changes for the full sample period and decade of the nineties (1991-97).

Based on Table 2, we can see that China's rapid rate of productivity growth since 1961 is largely due to "catching-up", which proceeded at an average annual rate of 3.4%. Movement of the pig frontier was relatively low (0.7%/year) and appears to be slowing down (0.5%/year in the 1990's). Furthermore, China's rate of productivity growth due to catching up has diminished considerably in the 1990's. This has important implications for forecasts of likely growth in the next decade. Simple trend-based extrapolation of past growth rates – such as the 4.2% rate in Table 1 – are likely to be too optimistic for China's pig production.

Poultry and milk productivity offer a very different picture from developments in the other sectors. Here, it is movement in the frontier that has been dominating the industry over the three decades. Indeed, despite reasonably rapid productivity growth, many of the regions have been falling further behind, as indicated by a value for catching-up index that is less than one. These are clearly the most dynamic sectors, and the ones where there is the greatest future potential for growth due to catching-up. Of course, there are some notable exceptions. Poultry production in China has been catching-up at a remarkable pace (more than 7%/year) in the 1990's. Korean catch-up in beef production over the same period has been even more dramatic (8.1%/year).

It is quite instructive to also examine the time path of cumulative Malmquist indexes calculated as the sequential multiplicative products of the annual indexes. Figures 2 and 3 display these charts for poultry and pig production in China. In poultry production, it is clear from Figure 2 that technical change has been driving growth in productivity until the 1990s. Note, however, the sharp upturn in catching-up at the end of the sample. This is why we find the high growth rate for the 1990's in Table 2. Because China was falling behind the frontier during most of the sample period, the technical change (frontier) index is above the total Malmquist index until very recently. China's pig production, shown in Figure 3, offers a stark contrast to the case of poultry. Here, there is very little growth in the frontier, with virtually all the growth fueled by catching up. This evidence suggests that modernisation of the pig sector in China may have commenced around a decade earlier than was the case for poultry.

#### IV. PRODUCTIVITY FORECASTS

In this section we seek to develop projections of technological change in livestock productivity to the year 2005 with an emphasis on the non-ruminant livestock sector in China. We do so by making separate projections of the catching-up and technical change portions of productivity.

*Catching-up and the logistic function:* In the case of catching-up, we assume that the observable growth in productivity can be modeled as a diffusion process of new technologies. Previous studies have shown (see Jarvis, 1981) that the cumulative adoption path often follows a logistic curve. Initially, productivity changes slowly because new innovations take some time to be adopted -- usually there is the need of adapting the new technologies to different conditions of the country that generated the innovation. After this, a period of rapid growth is expected (e.g., as the risk of applying the new technology is reduced). This is illustrated by the case of China's pork production in the past decade. Finally, productivity growth slows when nearly all producers who will find the technology profitable have adopted, and the process reaches a stable ceiling.

We specify the following logistic function to represent the catching up process for each of the regions in the sample:

$$(7) \quad Z_t = \frac{K}{1 + e^{-a - bt}}$$

In this equation, the parameters alpha and beta determine the shape of the logistic relationship for each region. The parameter K determines the ceiling, or maximum productivity level, to which the region in question is expected to converge. In estimating this relationship, we use actual observed values for K. These are equal to the maximum productivity value for each sector among all countries in each year.

The parameters of the logistic function are estimated by the following transformation:

$$(8) \quad Y_t = \log\left(\frac{Z_t}{K_t - Z_t}\right) = a + bt$$

using an iterative Cochrane-Orcutt (C-O) procedure to correct for autocorrelation. We use data from the full period: 1961-97 for estimating pig productivity. However, there appears to be a sharp break in the poultry productivity data following the economic reforms of the mid-80s; we only use this later period: 1985-97 in the poultry estimation. Results from estimation of different models are provided in Table 3. The beta coefficients in the logistic model for both pigs and poultry are highly significant and have positive signs, meaning that there is convergence toward the frontier. Also, poultry production is in an earlier stage of the diffusion process, suggesting that the speed of diffusion reflected in the beta parameter is higher than that in pigs.

*Technical change -- estimation of the frontier:* While we are able to use actual

observations of the frontier in estimating the logistic function, when it comes to forecasting need some way of predicting the evolution of this productivity ceiling. We choose to make simple function of time, as follows:

$$(9) \quad K_t = e^{m+g}$$

The bottom portion of table 3 shows the results of the estimation procedure of the productivity frontier for pigs and poultry. These results confirm the difference in the speed technical change between both sectors given by the coefficient gamma, the rate of growth in frontier.

*Forecasting:* For purposes of forecasting it is useful to have some idea of the possible distribution of outcomes, not just a single point-estimate. A distribution of the forecasts for sector was approximated using the Efron bootstrapping method<sup>1</sup>. The methodology proceeds the following steps:

- i) The residuals from the regression of  $Y_t$  on  $t$  (equation 8) are scaled by a factor of  $(T/(T-1))$  and assigned mass  $1/T$ .
- ii)  $e_t^*$  is chosen by random draw with replacement from i) and added to the right hand side to generate a new vector of quantities  $Y_t^*$ .
- iii) New parameter estimates ( $a^*$ ,  $b^*$ ,  $r^*$ ) are generated from regressing  $Y_t^*$  on  $t$  and then used to generate a forecast.
- iv) Steps ii) and iii) are repeated a large number of times by redrawing from i) and used to generate a distribution for the forecasts.
- v) To consider the effect of the frontier's forecast in China's productivity forecast, steps i) are used to generate a distribution of the frontier's forecast. Values of  $K$  are chosen by random draw simultaneously with  $e_t^*$  in step ii) and used in iii) to generate the forecast.

Figures 4 and 5 show the histograms of the productivity values obtained using the bootstrapping methodology for pigs and poultry, respectively. Table 4 summarizes the mean, standard deviation and implied growth rates for productivity in these two sectors. Productivity in poultry is expected to grow three times as fast as for pigs (7.6% vs. 2.3% per year) over the forecast period. Compare this with the forecasted developing world total production annual growth rate of 3.0% and 2.8% for poultry and pork respectively for the period:1993-2020 by Delgado et. al.(1999). Table 5 decomposes these growth rates into the portion attributable to catching-up and that attributable to movement in the frontier. Poultry is higher on both counts about three times. That is, the frontier in poultry productivity is projected to grow three times as fast as for pigs over this period -- and China is expected to continue rapid catch-up in poultry productivity as well. In the case of pigs, slower growth in the frontier, coupled with current levels of productivity which are closer to that frontier (66% in 2005), translate into slower overall productivity growth.

<sup>1</sup> Dorfman, J.H., C.L.Kling and R.J.Sexton "Confidence Intervals for Elasticities and Flexibilities: Reevaluation of the Ratios of Normals Case" *AJAE* 72(4), November 1990, 1006-17.

## V. IMPLICATIONS FOR TRADE: PROJECTIONS TO 2005

*Trade model and database:* Following the lead of Rae and Hertel (1998) we incorporate the previous projections of productivity growth into a slightly modified version of the applied general equilibrium model (Hertel 1997) to project national and regional production, consumption and trade flows between 1995 and 2005. This is a relatively standard, multi-model built on a complete set of economic accounts and detailed inter-industry linkages for the economies represented. The GTAP production system distinguishes sectors by intensities in five primary production factors: land (agricultural sectors only), natural resources (extractive sectors only), capital, and skilled and unskilled labour. In trade, products are differentiated by country of origin, allowing bilateral trade to be modeled, and bilateral international transport margins are incorporated and supplied by a global transport sector model is solved using GEMPACK (Harrison and Pearson 1996).

The 50 commodities in the version 4 GTAP database have been aggregated up into commodity groups, of which 6 commodities (rice, wheat, other grains, oil crops, other crops and processed food) compete for use in the feedstuffs composite. (We modify the model to incorporate feedstuff substitution into the livestock production functions.) Livestock farming is represented by three aggregates: beef cattle (i.e. ruminant livestock), other livestock (i.e. non-ruminants)<sup>1</sup> and raw milk production. These farming sectors provide inputs to the processing (ruminant meat), other meat (non-ruminant meat) and dairy products industries in each region. All remaining production sectors are aggregated into manufactures and services and other natural resource based commodities. Regions are aggregated to match the regions used in tables 1 – 3.

*Macroeconomic projections:* The productivity catch-up which we have projected is only part of the story of what will be happening in the world economy in the coming years. Other sectors will also be experiencing technological change. Income growth will tend to increase demand for livestock products relative to grains, and in some regions there will be a shift away from food products altogether. On the supply side, the accumulation of skilled labour and capital in China -- can be expected to continue to promote the shift of activity away from agriculture, in favor of manufacturing and services.

As has become standard with the GTAP model, following the work of Gehlhar, projections are made through exogenous shocks to each region's endowments of physical capital, skilled and unskilled labor, population, and technology.<sup>2</sup> Table 4 reports the shocks to population, endowments and productivity that we assume in this paper. Forecasts for population, investment (capital stock), and labor force are based on the latest forecasts from the World Bank as of spring, 1999. Projected changes in skilled labor are based on expected increases in the number of tertiary educated labor and are taken from Ahuja and Filmer for developing countries. Projections for the OECD countries are based on inputs developed for the World Bank's

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<sup>2</sup> We also follow Gehlhar's suggestion that increasing the standard trade elasticities is appropriate in longer run simulations. For this eleven year period, we double the standard GTAP values for the elasticities of substitution between imports and domestic goods and among imports from different sources.

Economic Prospects (1997). The stock of farmland in each region is simply held constant.

Forecasting productivity growth is notably difficult. Therefore, we adopt a rather approach which is transparent and which can be easily modified. First of all, based on the of Bernard and Jones (1996), we observe that productivity growth tends to be more in agriculture than in manufacturing, which in turn has a higher productivity growth rate than services. (They find virtually no evidence of productivity growth in mining where quality reserves confound the usually difficult measurement problems.) Based on their averages for OECD as a whole (Bernard and Jones, 1996, Table 1), we obtain the following multiples for manufacturing productivity growth rate for the other sectors: (non-livestock) agriculture = 1.25 \* manufactures, services = 0.5 \* manufactures, and mining = 0 \* manufactures. In this way, we are able to link productivity growth in each sector of the economy to a common metric -- namely, the rate of manufacture's productivity growth.

We then divide economies into four groups according to their overall rate of productivity growth: low, medium, high and very high. The assumed annual growth rates for manufacturing value-added for these groups are as follows: 0.25%, 0.75%, 1.25%, and 1.75%/year. As can be seen from the entries in Table 6, the low growth group includes Southeast Asia, and New Zealand. The medium group includes the US, Sub-Saharan Africa, and ROW. Higher productivity growth rates are foreseen for Australia, the EU, and South America. Finally, Korea and China's productivity growth rates are expected to remain quite high although somewhat lower than implied by the period prior to the Asian crisis. As a check on the plausibility of these assumptions, we compare our baseline cumulative GDP growth (see the last column) to that forecast by the World Bank, in the last column of Table 6. Apart from Africa and Korea, all of these GDP projections are reasonably close. In order to hit the World Bank targets for these regions, we would have to raise the very high growth category still further. In light of the current macro-economic uncertainty in that region, we opt for our more conservative projections.

In deference to the fact that these productivity projections are *ad hoc* in nature, in order to capture the potential impact of macroeconomic uncertainty in China on that country's trade in livestock products, we specify a distribution of possible outcomes for non-livestock productivity. In particular, we assume a symmetric, uniform distribution with mean equal to the estimates in Table 6, and minimum equal to one-half that value. By implication, the maximum productivity outcome in this distribution would be 1.5 \* the mean value.

The last piece of the productivity puzzle to be resolved before creating a forecast for productivity growth in the livestock sectors. This is the central issue at hand. As noted above, we focus our efforts on projecting pig and poultry productivity in China by bootstrapping the function to obtain a distribution of forecasts for this critical sector. Livestock productivity projections in other sectors/regions are simply taken from the paper by Rae and Hertel (1997). Following those authors, we apply these productivity shocks to both value-added and to the total composite, in order to maintain a constant ratio of feed use per animal. Provided these shocks are positive, feed consumption per unit of output (the feed conversion ratio) will decrease. If the case, then the implications for feed demand, and hence for trade in grains and oilseeds

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<sup>3</sup> Sub-Saharan Africa was omitted and the historical trends are used.

well as livestock products could be substantial. There is considerable evidence to support this assumption. A recent survey conducted by Wailes *et al* (1998) gathered data on feed use at a range of enterprise and livestock types in seven provinces of China where the trend is towards the development of specialised livestock production units and larger, more intensive management systems. They concluded that such structural changes will contribute to a declining demand for feedgrains per kg of meat production. Another set of livestock and feeds projections for China are those of Simpson *et al* (1994, Tables 7.6, 7.7 and 8.1), covering the period 1989-91 to 2005. Their projections imply little increase in feed inputs per animal so feed per unit output (the feed conversion ratio) shows negative growth, indicating increases in feed efficiency especially in poultry. This is consistent with the projections of Wang *et al* (1998) who assume improvements in feed efficiency for all animal types and technologies. Finally, Tweeten (1998) projects annual USA growth rates in output per feed of 0.2% (beef and pigs), 0.6% (milk) and 2.0% (poultry). If the US is the source of much of the new livestock production technology, then such improvements will eventually be felt in China.

*Results:* Given our interest in livestock products trade, and the space constraints faced in this paper, we focus here on the impact of alternative livestock productivity scenarios on changes in regional trade balances -- particularly those for China. Table 7 reports the China's sectoral trade balances for each region in our global simulation of the period 1995-2005. For China these figures predict that the increase in wheat imports will exceed the change in wheat exports by \$2,879 million by 2005. Outside of ROW, which is a composite of many developing countries (the Asian NICs, South Asia, the Middle East and North Africa, Central and Eastern Europe, Russia), China emerges as the major *incremental* importer of livestock products (beef and dairy products), and these are supplied by Australia, New Zealand, North America and the EU. China's projected incremental grain imports are also substantial. Most of the incremental demand for net imports of grain is satisfied by Australia, North America and the EU. It should be noted that our analysis abstracts from the implementation of the Uruguay Round as well as from the possible accession of China to the WTO. Both of these developments will substantially change this pattern of net trade changes.

Table 8 puts the changes in China's sectoral trade balances in perspective. The first column reports the 1995 trade balance, by sector, based on the version 4 GTAP database. The next column of Table 8 reports the change in trade balance shown in Table 7. Adding this to the first column gives the projected trade balance in 2005. From this last column we see the trend toward increasing imports relative to exports in most of the agriculture-related sectors. The positive trade balance in manufacturing and services is expected to continue. This is particularly striking in the case of grains and other crops. It conforms with the findings of Delgado (1999) who estimate that China will be a 46MMT net importer of cereals by 2020. In the livestock sector the results show that China will become a net importer of non-ruminant products in the year 2005.

There are many uncertainties implicit in the forecasts in Table 8. Table 9 focuses on the uncertainty associated with China's productivity growth. The analysis revolves around the uncertainty associated with the change in China's sectoral trade balance -- reported once for convenience in the first column of Table 9. The second grouping of columns in Table 9 relate to the uncertainty derived from our pig and poultry livestock productivity forecasts.

the last two groupings are derived respectively from the uncertainty in non-livestock sector productivity and uncertainty in both livestock and non-livestock. The distribution of productivity shocks in the aggregate sector (pork and poultry combined) is shown in Figure 6. This is convex and summarized with a triangular distribution with a range of 40% productivity change (mean = 20%). We use the Gaussian Quadrature approach to Systematic Sensitivity Analysis proposed by DeVuyst and Preckel (1997) and automated by Arndt (1996) and Arndt and P (1998) in order to draw a weighted sample from this distribution and generate standard deviations for our simulation results. These are reported in Table 9 for the change in trade balance. Not surprisingly, the main impact of uncertainty in non-ruminant livestock productivity is to generate uncertainty in the non-ruminant trade balances. For example, the projected change in the trade balance for "other meats", consisting primarily of processed pig and poultry products, is \$-1220 million, while the standard deviation is about one-fourth of that -- or \$332 million. Applying Chebyshev's inequality, we can then obtain a 95% confidence interval on the projected trade balance in 2005 (+/- 4.5 standard deviations). For total non-ruminants, this range is \$+2,483 to \$-6,686. Thus it does not appear that we can definitely say China will be an importer of non-ruminant products in the year 2005. Furthermore, this only reflects the uncertainty generated by our forecast of productivity in this sector. What about uncertainty in the productivity of other sectors?

As noted above, we have specified a uniform distribution for the non-livestock productivity growth in China, ranging from one-half the mean to 1.5 \* mean productivity growth. Once again we employ the Gaussian Quadrature approach to SSA and generate standard deviations for the change in trade balance, based on this new source of uncertainty. The findings are reported in the second group of columns in Table 9. The most striking thing about these findings is that it is the non-ruminant livestock trade balance that is most sensitive to uncertainty in non-livestock productivity! Even the non-livestock sectors' trade balances are more volatile (relative to the mean outcome). Indeed, the standard deviation resulting from uncertainty in non-livestock productivity growth is nearly as large as that reported in Table 9 (\$576 million vs. \$687 million). Thus, non-livestock productivity growth is equally as important as livestock productivity growth in determining the future livestock import requirements of China. When non-livestock productivity is high, income growth and demand rise more quickly. Furthermore, with more competitive livestock sectors, resources tend to be drawn away from livestock production, thereby slowing growth in livestock supplies. Both of these factors contribute to a negative change in the livestock trade balance. The combined effect of uncertainty in livestock and non-livestock productivity is to widen the gap between the extreme values of the confidence interval.

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

This paper represents work in progress aimed at better understanding the growth and diffusion of productivity in the livestock sectors, worldwide. The particular goal of the research presented here is to decompose the historical -- and projected -- changes in technology into components: shifts in the global technology frontier, and movement towards that frontier by individual regions.

Our historical analysis shows that the situation can be very different across product

the same country. For example, in China, most of the productivity growth in pig production the past three decades has been due to "catching-up" to a relatively stable frontier. In contrast, poultry production, China's has only recently begun catching up. Most of its productivity growth over recent decades has been due to movement in the frontier.

In order to assess the likely consequences of future changes in livestock productivity and international trade in livestock and related products, we used a modified version of the GTAP model of global trade to make projections to the year 2005. Uncertainty in China's future productivity growth rates was also taken into account. Our findings are that China will experience a larger increase in net imports of both feedstuffs and non-ruminant products than any other country in our model. China will be the largest incremental net importer of wheat, other grains and oilseeds (and also of processed foods, which includes processed animal feeds). The projected increased trade in these products will flow primarily from North America, the EU and to a lesser extent Australia. For non-ruminant livestock and meat, the same three exporting regions will be the predominant beneficiaries. The projections also point to increasing net imports of feeds and livestock products into Japan, Korea and Southeast Asia, where livestock productivity growth was generally lower than in other regions. Thus for China we project increased net exports of ruminant meats, but a switch from net exporter to net importer status for non-ruminant products despite China's productivity gains in this sector.

By recognizing uncertainty in the estimates of China's non-ruminant livestock productivity growth, we obtained confidence intervals for the trade balances that did not preclude the possibility that China may continue to be a net exporter of livestock products. And when we conducted simulations over a range of productivity growth rates in all sectors but livestock we reached a similar conclusion. In this case, productivity gains in China's cropping and livestock processing sectors would improve her international competitiveness in livestock products, but such general productivity growth would result in more rapid increases in incomes and hence in livestock product demands. Therefore we conclude that productivity growth in other sectors of the Chinese economy is just as important as livestock productivity growth in determining China's future imports of livestock products. Further analyses should include further examination of these issues. Finally, our analyses do not examine trade policy reforms. Given China's relatively high tariffs on meat imports, that could be reduced should China gain entry into the WTO, such reforms could also have an important impact on China's future role in international livestock products trade.



	Pigs		Beef		Poultry		1991-97
	1991-97	1961-97	1991-97	1961-97	1991-97	1961-97	
Australia	0.80	1.62	0.26	1.00	1.00	3.03	2.19
China	2.71	4.19	0.40	1.51	10.62	3.00	0.06
Japan	-0.08	1.59	-0.05	2.27	-0.43	2.20	1.59
Korea	0.22	2.53	8.09	1.87	2.81	3.05	0.91
New Zealand	1.01	1.86	-0.70	1.37	2.06	4.97	2.55
South East Asia	0.73	1.98	-0.17	0.42	0.01	1.26	1.87
North America	0.92	0.99	0.59	1.03	2.99	2.36	1.95
E.U.	0.87	0.75	0.26	1.28	2.06	2.94	2.09
South America	2.49	1.19	0.70	0.14	1.91	3.20	1.41
Sub-Saharan Africa	0.66	0.20	0.03	-0.08	0.20	0.94	0.30

Region	Catching-up						
	Pigs		Beef		Poultry		1991-97
	1991-97	1961-97	1991-97	1961-97	1991-97	1961-97	
Australia	-0.3	0.9	0.3	-0.7	-1.9	0.6	0.2
China	2.2	3.4	0.4	-0.2	7.4	0.6	-1.9
Japan	-0.5	0.8	0	0.5	-3.3	-0.2	-0.4
Korea	-0.2	1.8	8.1	0.1	-0.2	0.7	-1
New Zealand	0.5	1.1	-0.7	-0.4	-0.9	2.5	0.6
S.E.Asia	0.3	1.2	-0.1	-1.3	-2.9	-1.1	-0.1
North America	0.5	0.2	0.6	-0.7	0	0	0
EU(15)	0.4	0	0.3	-0.4	-0.9	0.6	0.1
South America	2	0.4	0.7	-1.6	-1	0.8	-0.5
Sub-Saharan Africa	0.2	-0.5	0.1	-1.8	-2.7	-1.4	-1.6
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-0.5</b>
Technical Change	0.5	0.7	0.0	1.7	3	2.4	2

Table 3 Parameters and regression statistics of the logistic function and the exponential frontier				
Logistic				
	$\hat{a}$	$\hat{b}$	$\hat{r}$	R2
Pigs	-1.5908	0.04997	0.93	0.939
S.Error	0.38	0.01	0.06151	
Poultry	-3.553	0.074	0.52	0.892
S.Error	0.43	0.01	0.24	
Exponential frontier				
	$\hat{m}$	$\hat{g}$	$\hat{r}$	R2
Pigs	4.689	0.007	0.90	0.895
S.Error	0.09	0.00	0.07	
Poultry	1.209	0.024	0.60	0.964
S.Error	0.04	0.00	0.13	

Table 4 China: productivity forecasts and growth								
	Productivity Forecasts				Rates of growth using the mea			
	Mean	Standard Deviation	Minimum Value	Maximum Value	Productivity 1995	Forecast* 2005	Period 1995-2005	Total Growth Ar
Pigs	98.5	4.58	82.8	115.7	78	98.5	25.9	
Poultry	4.48	0.233	3.45	5.36	2.15	4.48	108.8	

\* Forecasts are based on estimates for the period 1961-97 for pigs and 1985-97 for poultry (post-reforms period where poultry showing convergence in productivity). Units are kgs/head for pigs and kgs/chicken's stock for poultry

Table 5 China: Productivity growth decomposition (1995-2005)				
	Total	Catching-up	Technical Change	China's productivity / Frc 1995
Pigs	25.9%	14.8%	9.6%	57%
Poultry	108.8%	55.5%	34.2%	29%

Table 6: Annual growth rates of exogenous variables used in the projections and GDP growth

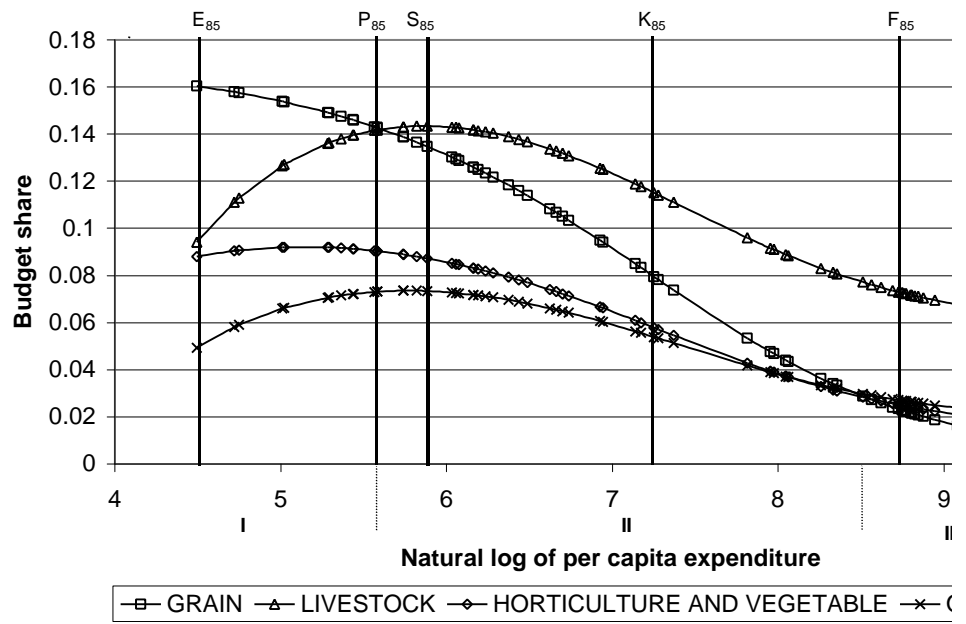
	Population	Endowments			Non-agricultural Productivity	Forecast GDP
		Unskilled labor	Skilled labor	Capital		
Australia	0.91	1.04	4.72	1.59	0.75	3.0
China	0.75	1.06	3.33	8.22	1.75	6.3
Japan	0.18	-0.26	2.57	0.33	0.25	0.8
Korea	0.74	0.64	4.74	1.53	1.75	2.9
New Zealand	0.73	0.71	4.72	2.28	0.25	2.3
South East Asia	1.36	1.89	6.27	2.31	0.25	2.6
North America	0.78	0.89	3.02	3.04	0.75	2.7
E.U.	0.09	0.02	3.02	0.76	1.25	1.9
South America	1.37	1.94	5.50	0.96	1.25	2.7
Sub-Saharan Africa	2.55	2.84	5.97	1.05	0.75	3.0
ROW	1.38	1.86	5.45	2.47	0.75	3.2



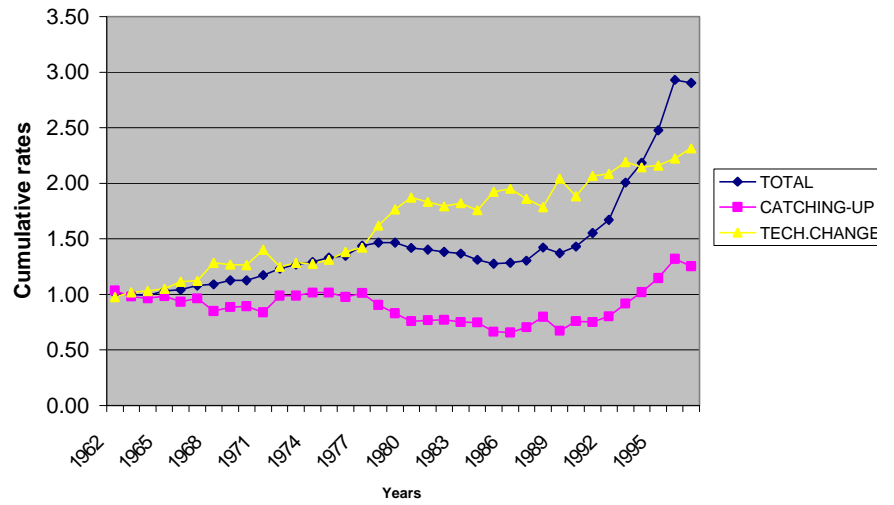
Table 8 Projected change in China's trade balance (millions of U\$S)			
	Initial trade balance 1995	Projected Change 1995-2005	Final trade Balance 2005
Rice	2	-2	0
Wheat	-1924	-2879	-4802
Other grains	-989	-1972	-2961
<b>Total grains</b>	<b>-2910</b>	<b>-4853</b>	<b>-7763</b>
Oils	377	-646	-269
Other crops	-583	-9632	-10215
<b>Total crops</b>	<b>-3116</b>	<b>-15131</b>	<b>-18247</b>
Beef cattle	31	-30	1
Beef	-6	224	218
<b>Total ruminants</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>219</b>
Other livestock	684	-2501	-1817
Other meat	935	-1220	-285
<b>Total non-ruminants</b>	<b>1619</b>	<b>-3721</b>	<b>-2102</b>
Dairy products	-24	-214	-238
<b>Total livestock &amp; products</b>	<b>1621</b>	<b>-3741</b>	<b>-2120</b>
Procfood	1115	-4609	-3494
<b>Total food</b>	<b>-380</b>	<b>-23480</b>	<b>-23860</b>
Other natres	-2384	-47022	-49406
Manufactures	45580	63546	109125
Services	4403	6957	11360

Table 9 China: confidence interval for the trade balance										
	Initial trade balance 1995	Uncertainty in Other-Livestock Productivity. Chebychev's 95% confidence interval			Uncertainty in non-livestock Productivity Chebychev's 95% confidence interval			Uncertainty in livestock and non- livestock productivity Chebychev's 95% conf. interval		
		SD	Interval		SD	Interval		SD	Interval	
			1	0	1	3	-2	1	3	-2
Rice	2	0	1	0	1	3	-2	1	3	-2
Wheat	-1924	33	-4653	-4952	183	-3980	-5625	185	-3968	-5636
Other grains	-989	29	-2830	-3091	162	-2231	-3690	164	-2221	-3701
<b>Total grains</b>	<b>-2910</b>		<b>-7483</b>	<b>-8043</b>		<b>-6208</b>	<b>-9317</b>		<b>-6187</b>	<b>-9339</b>
Oils	377	20	-180	-358	99	178	-716	101	187	-726
Other crops	-583	198	-9322	-11108	585	-7581	-12849	617	-7438	-12991
<b>Total crops</b>	<b>-3116</b>		<b>-16985</b>	<b>-19509</b>		<b>-13611</b>	<b>-22882</b>		<b>-13437</b>	<b>-23056</b>
Beef cattle	31	0	3	-1	4	21	-19	5	22	-19
Beef	-6	8	252	184	8	252	184	11	266	170
<b>Total ruminants</b>	<b>26</b>		<b>255</b>	<b>183</b>		<b>273</b>	<b>166</b>		<b>288</b>	<b>151</b>
Other livestock	684	687	1274	-4908	576	773	-4407	910	2280	-5914
Other meat	935	332	1209	-1779	260	887	-1457	424	1622	-2192
<b>Total non-ruminants</b>	<b>1619</b>		<b>2483</b>	<b>-6686</b>		<b>1660</b>	<b>-5864</b>		<b>3902</b>	<b>-8105</b>
Dairy products	-24	4	-222	-254	31	-96	-379	32	-95	-380
<b>Total Ivstck &amp; products</b>	<b>1621</b>		<b>2517</b>	<b>-6757</b>		<b>1837</b>	<b>-6077</b>		<b>4095</b>	<b>-8334</b>
Procfood	1115	107	-3012	-3975	305	-2123	-4864	322	-2043	-4945
<b>Total food</b>	<b>-380</b>		<b>-17479</b>	<b>-30241</b>		<b>-13897</b>	<b>-33823</b>		<b>-11385</b>	<b>-36335</b>
Other natres	-2384	469	-47294	-51517	7308	-16520	-82291	7317	-16480	-82332
Manufactures	45580	355	110724	107526	8202	146034	72216	8211	146074	72176
Services	4403	579	13963	8757	1365	17501	5219	1484	18038	4682
<b>Total</b>	<b>47219</b>		<b>59914</b>	<b>34524</b>		<b>133118</b>	<b>-38679</b>		<b>136247</b>	<b>-41809</b>

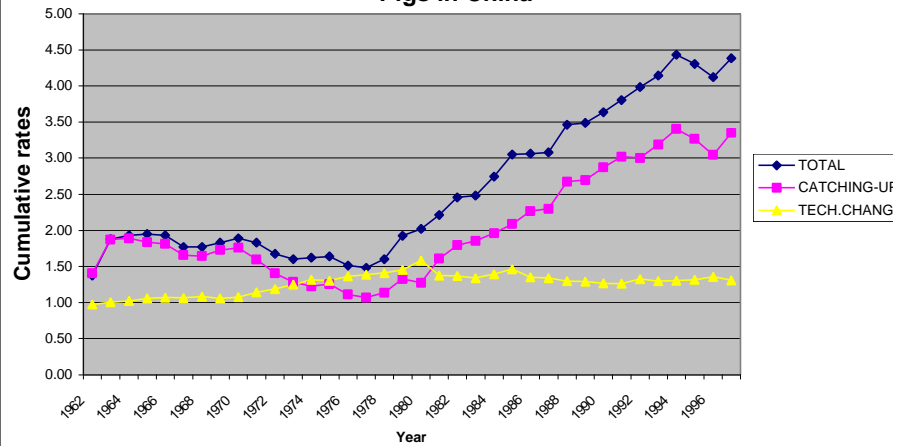
**Figure 1: Fitted budget shares for food products (evaluated at mean prices). Source: Cranfield, et al., 1998**



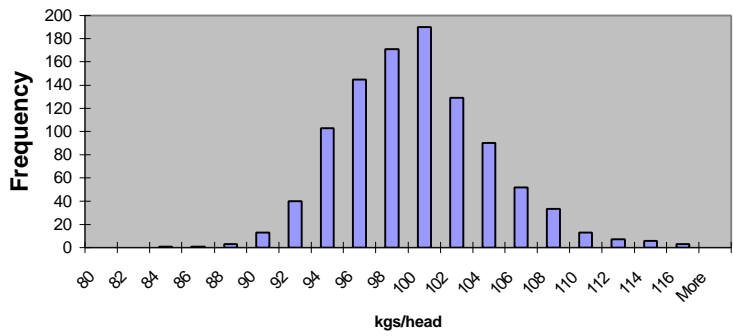
**Figure 2. Cumulative Growth Productivity Growth Rates for Poultry in China**



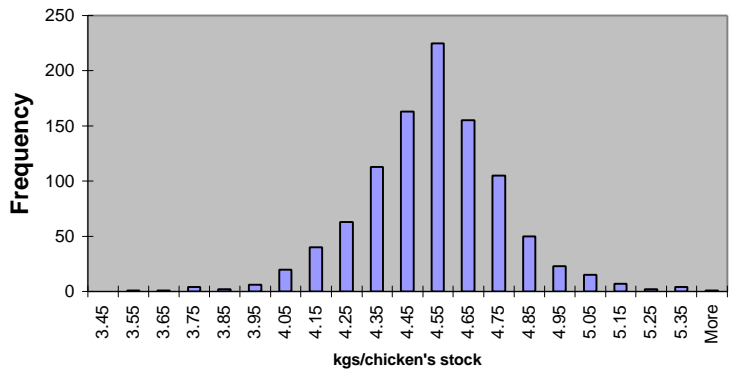
**Figure 3. Cumulative Growth Productivity Growth Rates for Pigs in China**



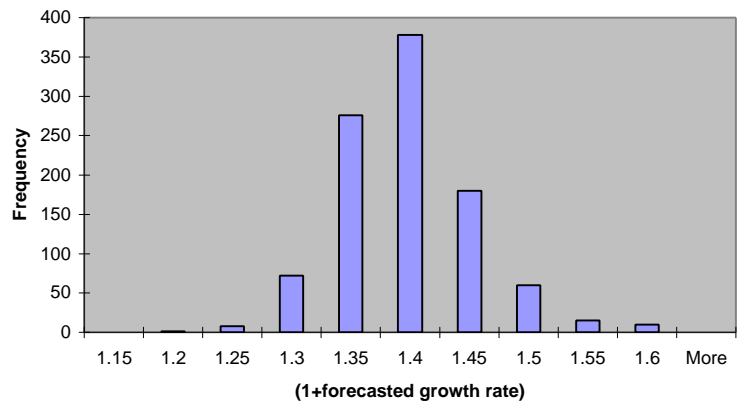
**Figure 4. Bootstrapped Productivity Forecasts for Pigs in China**



**Figure 5. Bootstrapped Productivity Forecasts for Poultry in China**



**Figure 6. Bootstrapped Productivity shocks for non-ruminants in China**



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