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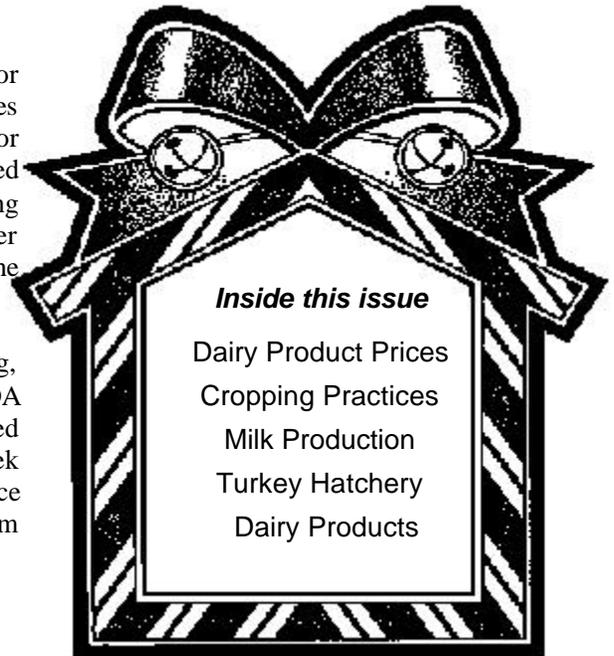
DAIRY PRODUCTS PRICES HIGHLIGHTS

Cheddar Cheese prices received for US 40 pound Blocks averaged \$2.13 per pound for the week ending December 8. The price per pound increased 2.9 cents from the previous week. The price for US 500 pound Barrels adjusted to 38 percent moisture averaged \$2.08 per pound, up 3.9 cents from the previous week.

Butter prices received for 25 kilogram and 68 pound boxes meeting USDA Grade AA standards averaged \$1.31 per pound for the week ending December 8. The U.S. price per pound decreased 0.4 cents from the previous week.

Nonfat Dry Milk prices received for the bag, tote and tanker sales meeting USDA Extra Grade or USPH Grade A standards averaged \$1.84 per pound for the week ending December 8. The U.S. price per pound decreased 1.3 cents from the previous week.

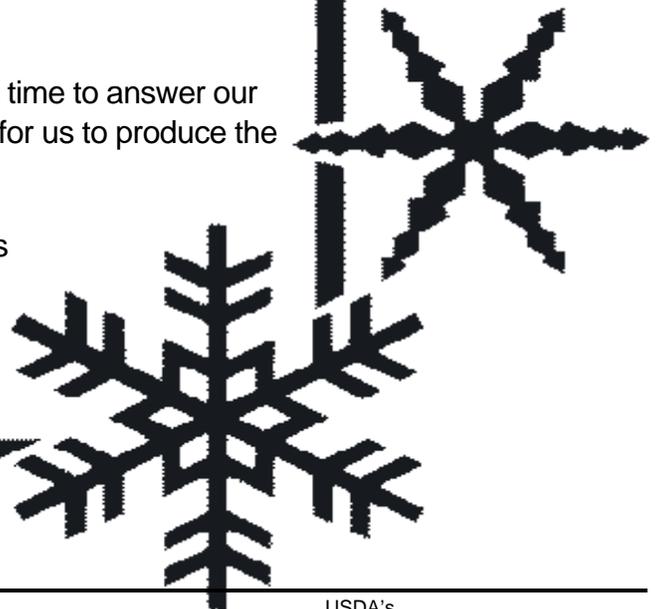
Dry Whey prices received for bag, tote and tanker sales meeting USDA Extra Grade standards averaged 45.5 cents per pound for the week ending December 8. The U.S. price per pound increased 0.3 cents from the previous week.



Dear Friends,

A special **Thank You** to those of you who have taken time to answer our surveys throughout 2007. You have made it possible for us to produce the quality statistics that today's agriculture requires.

The staff of USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office wishes you and your family a Merry Christmas and a season of joy and peace!



CORN AND SOYBEAN CROPPING PRACTICES

During the forecast period for corn and soybeans, counts and measurements are made by trained enumerators who visit randomly selected plots in a scientific sampling of farmers' fields in the major producing states. The following tables represent sample data and averages obtained from these counts. The resulting data, which is subject to some sampling fluctuations, are not official Agricultural Statistics Boards estimates, but they do show trends in corn and soybean cropping practices over a period of years.

The 2007 **corn** plant population increased in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, and Ohio. The average row width in Indiana decreased .9 inches from the previous year at 30.1 inches. Average row spacing of **soybeans** in Indiana increased 1.2 inches to 13.9 in 2007 compared to 12.7 last year.



CORN FOR GRAIN: PLANT POPULATION PER ACRE INDIANA AND SELECTED STATES, 2003-2007 ^{1/}



State	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Illinois	27,050	27,700	28,000	28,000	28,10
Indiana	25,900	26,500	25,200	26,350	27,35
Iowa	27,250	27,850	28,000	28,600	29,10
Ohio	25,900	26,650	25,600	26,200	26,60



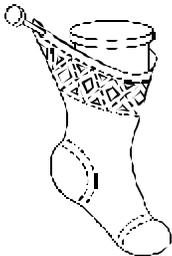
^{1/} Based on stalk counts in plots selected for objective yield samples.

CORN FOR GRAIN: PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTIONS BY ROW WIDTH AND AVERAGE ROW WIDTH, INDIANA

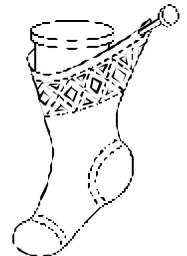
Year	Number of Samples	Row Width (Inches) ^{1/}						Average Row Width
		20.5 or less	20.6 - 30.5	30.6 - 34.5	34.6 - 36.5	36.6 - 38.5	38.6 & Greater	
		No.	Percent				Inches	
2003	163	0.6	71.1	16.6	8.0	3.1	0.6	30.9
2004	172	0.6	69.8	20.3	5.2	4.1	0.0	30.8
2005	174	2.9	67.4	21.8	3.4	3.4	1.1	30.4
2006	161	0.0	73.2	15.5	7.5	1.9	1.9	31.0
2007	171	3.5	73.0	16.4	4.7	1.2	1.2	30.1

^{1/} Spacings based on row measurements in sample plots selected for objective yield survey.

SOYBEANS: PODS WITH BEANS PER 18 SQUARE FEET INDIANA AND SELECTED STATES, 2003-2007 ^{1/}



State	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007 ^{2/}
Illinois	1,634	1,947	1,858	1,923	1,818
Indiana	1,582	1,917	1,899	1,909	1,628
Iowa	1,647	1,741	1,970	1,760	1,933
Ohio	1,752	1,837	1,981	1,866	1,909



^{1/} Based on pod counts in plots selected for objective yield samples.

^{2/} 2007 based on November counts, final pod counts will be published in January.

SOYBEANS: PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTIONS BY ROW WIDTH AND AVERAGE ROW WIDTH, INDIANA

Year	Number of Samples	Row Width (Inches) ^{1/}					Average Row Width ^{2/}
		10.0 & Less ^{2/}	10.1 - 18.5	18.6 - 28.5	28.6 - 34.5	34.6 & Greater	
		No.	Percent				Inches
2003	142	56.9	33.2	1.1	8.8	0.0	12.4
2004	157	47.4	43.0	1.6	8.0	0.0	12.8
2005	161	39.4	49.7	2.8	7.2	0.9	13.7
2006	151	46.7	45.7	2.0	5.6	0.0	12.7
2007	165	36.4	52.4	1.8	8.2	1.2	13.9

^{1/} Based on row measurements in sample plots selected for objective yield samples.

^{2/} Broadcast soybeans included as "10.0 inches and less" but excluded in computation of average width.

INDIANA MILK PRODUCTION UP 3 PERCENT

Indiana's milk production totaled 274 million pounds during November 2007, up 3 percent from a year earlier. The number of milk cows on farms totaled 166,000 head, unchanged from a year earlier.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,654 pounds for November, 40 pounds above November 2006. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.36 million head, 8,000 head more than October 2007, and 101,000 head more than November 2006.

Milk production in the 23 major States during November totaled 13.8 billion pounds, up 3.8 percent from production in these same States in November 2006.

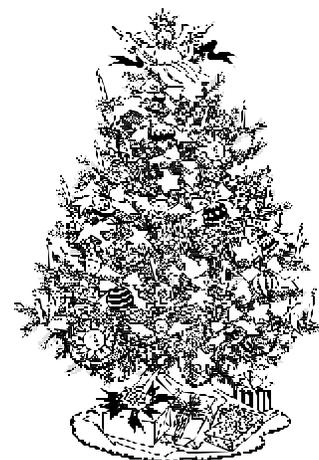
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**MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION
INDIANA, AND SELECTED STATES, NOVEMBER 2006-2007**

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	<u>Thousand Head</u>		<u>Pounds</u>		<u>Million Pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>
INDIANA	166	166	1,610	1,650	267	274	103
Illinois	103	103	1,510	1,470	156	151	97
Iowa	209	215	1,620	1,590	339	342	101
Kentucky	95	87	1,060	1,120	101	97	96
Michigan	323	342	1,810	1,820	585	622	106
Minnesota	450	463	1,495	1,490	673	690	103
Ohio	274	277	1,440	1,470	395	407	103
Wisconsin	1,245	1,249	1,500	1,545	1,868	1,930	103
23 State Total	8,260	8,361	1,614	1,654	13,332	13,833	104

^{1/} Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/} Excludes milk sucked by calves.



TURKEY HATCHERY

Turkey eggs in incubators on December 1, 2007, in the United States totaled 30.3 million, up 3 percent from December 1, 2006. Eggs in incubators were down 3 percent from the November 1, 2007 total of

31.1 million eggs. Turkey poults hatched during November 2007 in the United States totaled 25.8 million, up 8 percent from November 2006. Poults hatched were up slightly from October 2007.

ALL TURKEYS

Geographic Division ^{1/}	Eggs in Incubators December 1		Percent of Previous Year	Poults Hatched During November		Percent of Previous Year
	2006	2007		2006	2007	
	<u>Thousands</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>Thousands</u>		<u>Percent</u>
E N Central	5,019	4,574	91	4,071	4,037	99
W N Central	10,651	11,404	107	9,532	10,107	106
N & S Atlantic	9,444	10,160	108	7,621	8,533	112
S Central & West	4,193	4,191	100	2,774	3,159	114
U.S.	29,307	30,329	103	23,998	25,836	108

^{1/} E N Central: IL, IN, MI, OH, and WI; W N Central: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, and SD; N & S Atlantic: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, and WV; S Central and West: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, ID, KY, LA, MS, MT, NM, NV, OK, OR, TN, TX, UT, WA, and WY.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

U.S. butter production during October 2007 was 130 million pounds, 9.1 percent above October 2006 and 16.3 percent above September 2007. American type cheese production totaled 325 million pounds for the month, 1.2 percent above October 2006 and 7.9 percent above September 2007. Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 825 million pounds, 1.6 percent above October 2006 and 6.4 percent above September 2007. Creamed cottage cheese production was 30.2 million pounds, and lowfat cottage cheese in the U.S. totaled 35.7 million pounds.

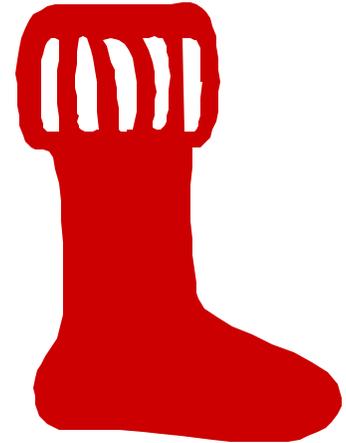
The Nation's dairy plants produced 69.4 million gallons of hard ice cream during October 2007, up 4.4 percent from the same period last year. Hard lowfat ice cream output totaled 11.9 million gallons, up 15.7 percent from the October 2006 level. Hard sherbet production was 3.98 million gallons for the month, up 9.2 percent from the previous year. Total frozen yogurt production was 4.09 million gallons, down 22.7 percent from October 2006.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS UNITED STATES, OCTOBER 2007 WITH COMPARISONS 1/

Product	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Percent of	
				Oct 2006	Sep 2007
	<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>	
Butter	119.1	111.8	130.0	109	116
American Cheese 2/	320.9	301.0	324.9	101	108
All Cheese	812.3	775.6	825.3	102	106
Cottage Cheese, Curd	38.4	40.2	39.3	102	98
Cottage Cheese, Cream	30.2	30.7	30.2	100	98
Cottage Cheese, Lowfat	33.7	35.1	35.7	106	102
Sour Cream	101.8	84.8	99.7	98	118
	<u>Million Gallons</u>			<u>Percent</u>	
Frozen Products					
Ice Cream (Hard)	66.5	69.2	69.4	104	100
Lowfat Ice Cream (Hard)	10.3	12.2	11.9	116	98
Sherbet (Hard)	3.6	4.3	4.0	109	92
Frozen Yogurt	5.3	4.3	4.1	77	94

1/ Percents may not calculate due to rounding.

2/ Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.



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