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## New Jersey's 2008 Total Cash Receipts up 2.3 Percent from 2007

Increases in New Jersey's cash receipts for field crops and vegetables more than offset the declines in fruits and nuts; greenhouse, sod, nursery and Christmas trees; and total livestock and products categories. New Jersey's commodity cash receipts totaled \$1.12 billion for the 2008 calendar year. This is an increase of 2.3 percent and \$25.2 million from the previous year. Total crop cash receipts totaled \$940 million, up \$27.6 million from 2007. Vegetables had the largest dollar increase of \$36.6 million, followed by corn at \$13.5 million and poultry at \$8.0 million. Other major crop commodity increases included wheat (\$6.5 million), soybeans (\$5.4 million), peppers (\$3.6 million), tomatoes (3.0 million and cranberries (\$2.0 million).

The greenhouse, sod, nursery, and Christmas trees showed the largest decline at \$18.1 million. The fruit and nut category showed a \$17.7 million decline due primarily to the decrease by peaches (\$8.9 million), blueberries (\$8.3 million), and apples (\$2.6 million). Total livestock and products totaled \$177 million, down \$3.2 million, despite an increase in the poultry and egg category of \$8.0 million. Dairy products declined \$2.4 million, and horses and mules declined \$9.0 million.

**Cash Receipts from New Jersey Farm Marketings 2006-2008**

Commodity	2006	2007	2008	% Change from 2007
	1,000 Dollars			
<b>Total All Commodities</b>	<b>982,298</b>	<b>1,092,404</b>	<b>1,117,634</b>	<b>2.3</b>
<b>Total Crops</b>	<b>834,225</b>	<b>912,046</b>	<b>940,462</b>	<b>3.1</b>
<b>Total Field Crops</b>	<b>60,476</b>	<b>78,596</b>	<b>106,212</b>	<b>35.1</b>
<b>Corn</b>	13,719	25,415	<b>38,896</b>	53.0
<b>Hay</b>	8,810	8,697	<b>9,501</b>	9.2
<b>Soybeans</b>	15,717	21,013	<b>26,453</b>	25.9
<b>Wheat</b>	4,967	7,402	<b>13,867</b>	87.3
<b>Total Fruits &amp; Nuts</b>	<b>164,637</b>	<b>173,923</b>	<b>156,235</b>	<b>-10.2</b>
<b>Apples</b>	15,416	14,577	<b>11,929</b>	-18.2
<b>Blueberries</b>	83,720	90,240	<b>81,990</b>	-9.1
<b>Cranberries</b>	18,816	24,479	<b>26,522</b>	8.3
<b>Peaches</b>	35,700	32,832	<b>23,920</b>	-27.1
<b>Total Vegetables</b>	<b>172,847</b>	<b>181,111</b>	<b>217,751</b>	<b>20.2</b>
<b>Peppers, green, fresh</b>	27,848	29,295	<b>32,922</b>	12.4
<b>Sweet corn, fresh</b>	19,019	<b>15,053</b>	<b>15,510</b>	3.0
<b>Tomatoes, fresh</b>	19,627	<b>23,622</b>	<b>26,645</b>	12.8
<b>Total Greenhouse, Sod, Nursery, and Christmas Trees</b>	<b>436,265</b>	<b>478,413</b>	<b>460,265</b>	<b>-3.8</b>
<b>Total Livestock &amp; Products</b>	<b>148,073</b>	<b>180,358</b>	<b>177,172</b>	<b>-1.8</b>
<b>Total Dairy Products</b>	23,450	32,340	<b>29,970</b>	-7.3
<b>Total Horses &amp; Mules</b>	81,000	94,000	<b>85,000</b>	-9.6
<b>Total Meat Animals</b>	10,641	6,256	<b>6,127</b>	-2.1
<b>Total Poultry &amp; Eggs</b>	24,484	37,837	<b>45,835</b>	21.1

<b>Total Other Livestock &amp; Products</b>	8,090	8,695	<b>9,275</b>	6.7
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