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Note to Survey Respondents: Results of many surveys we conduct throughout the year are included in this report! Most survey results are **not** published individually. **Thank you** for taking the time to complete our surveys!

MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in Pennsylvania during February 2007 totaled 822 million pounds, 4.4 percent below last February's production of 860 million pounds. The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 548,000 head, down 1,000 from January 2007 and down 7,000 from February 2006. Production per cow averaged 1,500 pounds in February, 140 pounds less than January's production per cow of 1,640 pounds and 50 pounds per cow less than February 2006.

Milk production in the 23 major states surveyed during February 2007 totaled 13.1 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent compared to production in these same states during February 2006. January revised production, at 14.3 billion pounds, was up 1.8 percent from January 2006. Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,586 pounds for February, unchanged from February 2006.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.28 million head, 71,000 head more than February 2006, but 3,000 head less than January 2007.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

United States' butter production was 151 million pounds, 2.5 percent above January 2006 and 10.0 percent above December 2006. Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 824 million pounds, 6.7 percent above January 2006 but 0.8 percent below December 2006. Italian type cheese production totaled 350 million pounds, 6.6 percent above January 2006 but 1.0 percent below December 2006. American type cheese production totaled 343 million pounds, 5.6 percent above January 2006 and 1.0 percent above December 2006. Frozen desserts: (comparisons with January 2006): Ice cream, Regular (hard) - 62.0 million gallons, up 0.3 percent; Ice cream, Lowfat (total) -- 27.1 million gallons, up 6.5 percent; Sherbet (hard) -- 3.32 million gallons, down 14.6 percent; Frozen Yogurt (total) -- 4.73 million gallons, up 14.5 percent.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED DAIRY PRODUCTS

Products	Jan 2005	Dec 2006	Jan 2006
<i>000 Lbs.</i>			
PENNSYLVANIA			
Butter.....	7,930	7,034	6,891
Ice Cream.....	1,933	2,065	2,701
UNITED STATES			
Butter.....	147,251	137,239	150,962
Cheese:			
American Types	324,545	339,367	342,673
Swiss.....	26,154	27,181	27,093
Brick and Muenster	8,143	8,580	8,837
Cream and Neufchatel	54,300	62,985	57,267
Mozzarella.....	259,574	279,556	277,582
Other Italian.....	68,741	74,212	72,520
Total Italian Types.....	328,315	353,768	350,102
All Other	17,357	23,566	23,026
Total	772,337	830,146	823,830
NF Dry Milk, Human.....	107,254	114,743	110,800
Yogurt, Plain & Flavored	252,353	247,096	279,329
<i>000 Gal.</i>			
FROZEN PRODUCTS:			
Ice Cream, Hard.....	61,826	50,475	62,004
Ice Cream, Lowfat.....	25,444	23,267	27,108
Ice Cream, Nonfat.....	1,330	743	1,244
Sherbet, Hard.....	3,893	2,846	3,324
Frozen Yogurt, Total	4,131	3,797	4,731
FOR PRODUCTS:			
Ice Cream Mix.....	34,385	27,627	36,845
Ice Cream Mix, Lowfat	14,056	13,357	15,448
Ice Cream Mix, Nonfat	867	420	739
Sherbet Mix.....	2,994	2,075	2,542
Yogurt Mix.....	2,430	2,301	2,867

MILK COWS & MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		Feb 2006	Jan 2006	Feb 2007	Feb 2006	Jan 2006	Feb 2007
Milk Cows.....	Thous.	555	549	548	8,206	8,280	8,277
Milk Per Cow.....	Lbs.	1,550	1,640	1,500	1,586	1,724	1,586
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	860	900	822	13,018	14,276	13,129

Pennsylvania: Barley - Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 2006 ¹

County & District	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production	Value of Production ²
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Adams	1,600	900	79.9	71,900	
Armstrong	500	500	49.0	24,500	
Bedford	1,100	900	65.7	59,100	
Berks	4,600	4,200	87.2	366,300	
Blair	800	700	84.3	59,000	
Butler	700	600	59.0	35,400	
Cambria	600	400	60.5	24,200	
Chester	1,800	1,800	94.0	169,200	
Cumberland	3,000	2,400	89.6	215,100	
Dauphin	1,200	1,000	79.1	79,100	
Franklin	5,000	4,400	88.7	390,300	
Fulton	1,300	1,000	87.4	87,400	
Indiana	800	700	51.0	35,700	
Juniata	900	600	73.7	44,200	
Lancaster	8,200	7,000	90.0	630,000	
Lebanon	2,700	1,700	89.0	151,300	
Lehigh	900	800	74.0	59,200	
Mifflin	500	400	90.0	36,000	
Northampton	500	400	74.0	29,600	
Northumberland	1,800	1,700	75.1	127,700	
Perry	1,600	1,200	78.4	94,100	
Schuylkill	1,000	800	74.8	59,800	
Snyder	500	500	50.0	25,000	
Somerset	900	800	66.1	52,900	
Union	600	500	89.0	44,500	
York	6,000	5,300	83.2	441,200	
North Central, Other Counties	1,100	900	58.9	53,000	
West Central, Other Counties	900	700	59.9	41,900	
Central, Other Counties	1,400	1,200	67.7	81,200	
East Central, Other Counties	200	200	59.5	11,900	
Southwestern, Other Counties	900	700	70.9	49,600	
Southeastern, Other Counties	300	200	71.0	14,200	
Other counties	1,100	900	68.3	61,500	
North Central	1,100	900	58.9	53,000	
West Central	2,900	2,500	55.0	137,500	
Central	9,900	8,200	75.0	615,000	
East Central	2,600	2,200	73.0	160,500	
Southwestern	1,800	1,500	68.3	102,500	
South Central	18,000	14,900	84.9	1,265,000	
Southeastern	17,600	14,900	89.3	1,331,000	
Other districts	1,100	900	68.3	61,500	
Pennsylvania	55,000	46,000	81.0	3,726,000	

¹ Counties not shown separately included in 'Other Counties' for that specific district. The district map and county listing can be found on the inside back cover of this publication. ² Value of production based on preliminary State marketing year average price, released in the July *Agricultural Prices* report published by USDA, NASS.

ANNUAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION

Commercial red meat production in Pennsylvania during 2006 totaled 1,222.6 million pounds, dressed weight basis, up 6 percent from a year ago.

Commercial cattle slaughter, at 858,500 head, was up 2.1 percent from last year. Of this number, 842,000 head were slaughtered in federally inspected plants. Beef production, at 1,054 million pounds live weight, was up 2.7 percent from 2005. Average live weight per head was 1,238 pounds, an increase of 17 pounds from last year. Commercial calf slaughter, at 178,100 head, was up 16.3 percent from a year ago. Veal production, at 70.88 million pounds live weight, was up 13.0 percent from a year ago. Average live weight per head decreased 11 pounds to 399 pounds per calf. Commercial hog slaughter, at 2,959,900 head, was up 4.2 percent from last year. Of this number, 2,946,000 head were slaughtered in federally inspected plants. Pork production was 738.3 million pounds live weight, up 6.1 percent from 2005. Average live weight increased 5 pounds per head to 250 pounds.

Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter, at 55,000 head, was down 6.1 percent from last year. Of this number, 53,200 head were slaughtered in federally inspected plants. Lamb and mutton production was 5.14 million pounds live weight, down 8.5 percent from a year ago. The average live weight decreased 3 pounds to 93 pounds. Federally inspected goat slaughter, at 31,927 head slaughtered for the year of

2006 at 42 plants across Pennsylvania. There were an estimated 250 commercial slaughter plants in Pennsylvania on January 1, 2007, of which 91 were under federal inspection.

Nationally, red meat production in commercial plants and on farms totaled 47.7 billion pounds in 2006, 4 percent higher than previous year. Beef production, at 26.3 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the previous year. Veal production totaled 155 million pounds, down 6 percent from last year. Pork production, at 21.1 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year. Lamb and mutton production totaled 190 million pounds, down 1 percent from 2005.

There were 793 slaughtering plants under federal inspection in the U.S. on January 1, 2007, compared with 806 last year. Of these, 636 slaughtered at least one head of cattle during 2006 with the 14 largest slaughtering 56 percent of the total cattle killed. Hogs were slaughtered at 614 plants, with the 10 largest plants accounting for 47 percent of the total. Likewise, 5 of the 238 plants that slaughtered calves accounted for 54 percent of the total and 4 of the 484 plants that slaughtered sheep or lambs in 2006 comprised about 68 percent of the total head. Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, and Texas accounted for 52 percent of the U.S. commercial red meat production in 2006, similar to 2005.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, 2006 YEARLY TOTALS

Specie	Unit	PA	U S
Red Meat Prod	Million pounds	1,222.6	47,537.3
Cattle	1,000 Head	858.5	33,698.3
	1,000 Pounds Live	1,054,425	42,819,688
	Average Llive Weight	1,238	1,275
Calves.....	1,000 Head	178.1	711.3
	1,000 Pounds Live	70,882	243,608
	Average Llive Weight	399	345
Hogs	1,000 Head	2,959.9	104,736.6
	1,000 Pounds Live	738,291	28,142,714
	Average Llive Weight	250	269
Sheep & Lambs ...	1,000 Head	55.0	2,698.5
	1,000 Pounds Live	5,142	368,098
	Average Llive Weight	93	137

FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS AND HEAD SLAUGHTERED, 2006

Specie	Unit	PA	U S
Cattle.....	Plants	81	636
	1,000 Head	842.0	33,145.0
Calves.....	Plants	36	238
	1,000 Head	178.0	698.7
Hogs.....	Plants	77	614
	1,000 Head	2,946.0	103,688.5
Sheep & Lambs	Plants	62	484
	1,000 Head	53.2	2,547.0

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat production in Pennsylvania during January 2007 totaled 110.0 million pounds, dressed weight basis, up 11 percent from January 2006.

Beef production, at 101.7 million pounds live weight, was up 20 percent from January 2006. Total head slaughtered was 80,500, up 19 percent from last year. Average live weight increased 12 pounds to 1,272 pounds. Veal production was 6.0 million pounds live weight, up 13 percent from a year ago.

Calf slaughter, at 15,600 head, was up 16 percent, and average live weight decreased 13 pounds to 387 pounds. Pork production, at 62.3 million pounds live weight, was up 3 percent from a year earlier. Total head slaughtered was 246,600, up slightly from January of 2006. Average live weight was 253 pounds, up 5 pounds from January of last year. Lamb and mutton production was 370,000 pounds live weight, down 3 percent. The number slaughtered was 3,700, down 7 percent from January of last year. The average live weight increased 4 pounds from January 2006 to 99 pounds.

Nationally, commercial red meat production for January totaled 4.09 billion pounds, dressed weight basis, up 5 percent from the 3.90 billion pounds produced in January 2006. Beef production, dressed weight basis, at 2.16 billion pounds, was 6 percent above the previous year.

Cattle slaughter totaled 2.80 million head, up 6 percent from January 2006. The average live weight was up 5 pounds from the previous year, at 1,290 pounds. Veal production, at 14.3 million pounds, was 21 percent above January a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 74,300 head, up 34 percent

from January 2006. The average live weight was 31 pounds below last year, at 324 pounds. Pork production totaled 1.90 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.37 million head, 5 percent above January 2006. The average live weight was 2 pounds below the previous year, at 271 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 15.1 million pounds, was down 7 percent from January 2006. Sheep slaughtered totaled 216,700 head, 3 percent below last year. The average live weight was 139 pounds, down 5 pounds from January a year ago.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, JAN 2007

Specie	Unit	Pennsylvania	United States
Red Meat Prod	Million pounds	110.0	4,092.3
Cattle	1,000 Head	80.5	2,798.5
	1,000 pounds live	101,702	3,596,162
Calves	1,000 Head	15.6	74.3
	1,000 pounds live	6,039	23,858
Hogs	1,000 Head	246.6	9,365.5
	1,000 pounds live	62,337	2,535,125
Sheep & Lambs....	1,000 Head	3.7	216.7
	1,000 pounds live	370	30,197



County estimates for 2006 can now be found online for barley, oats, wheat, corn, soybeans and sorghum.

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