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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 March 2008 totaled 922 million pounds, 2.0 percent below last March's production of 941 million pounds. The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 549,000 head, down 2,000 from February 2008 but down 1,000 from March 2008. Production per cow averaged 1,680 pounds in March, 140 pounds more than February's production per cow of 1,540 pounds and 30 pounds per cow less than March 2007.

Milk production in the 23 major states during March 2008 totaled 15.1 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from March 2007. February revised production, at 13.9 billion pounds, was up 6.2 percent from February 2007. The February revision represented an increase of 23 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,795 pounds for March, 12 pounds above March 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.44 million head, 141,000 head more than March 2007 and 9,000 head more than February 2008.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

United States' butter production was 147 million pounds, 9.4 percent above February 2007 but 13.1 percent below January 2008. Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 784 million pounds, 4.8 percent above February 2007 but 3.5 percent below January 2008. Italian type cheese production totaled 335 million pounds, 4.8 percent above February 2007 but 4.8 percent below January 2008. American type cheese production totaled 319 million pounds, 4.5 percent above February 2007 but 4.4 percent below January 2008. Frozen products: (comparisons with February 2007) Ice cream, Regular (hard) --- 66.0 million gallons, up 0.7 percent. Ice cream, lowfat (total) --- 28.0 million gallons, down 0.4 percent. Sherbet (hard) --- 4.18 million gallons, up 8.6 percent. Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 4.05 million gallons, down 2.5 percent.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED DAIRY PRODUCTS

Products	Feb 2007	Jan 2008	Feb 2008
	<i>000 Lbs.</i>		
PENNSYLVANIA			
Butter	6,177	9,061	7,478
Ice Cream	2,005	2,210	2,219
UNITED STATES			
Butter	134,171	168,799	146,741
Cheese:			
American Types	305,474	333,952	319,250
Swiss	23,180	26,875	24,983
Brick and Muenster.....	7,948	8,501	7,821
Cream and Neufchatel	51,856	48,798	58,636
Mozzarella	256,343	281,234	265,440
Other Italian	63,242	70,583	69,489
Total Italian Types	319,585	351,817	334,929
All Other.....	26,135	26,243	23,688
Total.....	748,496	812,722	784,097
NF Dry Milk, Human	98,098	119,102	119,575
Yogurt, Plain & Flavored	285,283	296,725	298,175
	<i>000 Gal.</i>		
FROZEN PRODUCTS:			
Ice Cream, hard.....	65,530	63,166	65,987
Ice Cream, lowfat	28,053	24,680	27,950
Ice Cream, nonfat.....	960	933	1,176
Sherbet, hard.....	3,854	4,027	4,184
Frozen Yogurt, total.....	4,151	3,577	4,046
FOR PRODUCTS:			
Ice Cream Mix	36,314	34,548	35,872
Ice Cream Mix, lowfat.....	16,016	13,936	15,923
Ice Cream Mix, nonfat	578	562	676
Sherbet Mix	2,861	2,651	2,861
Yogurt Mix	2,516	2,168	2,452

MILK COWS & MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		Mar 2007	Feb 2008	Mar 2008	Mar 2007	Feb 2008	Mar 2008
Milk Cows.....	Thous.	550	551	549	8,295	8,427	8,436
Milk Per Cow.....	Lbs.	1,710	1,540	1,680	1,783	1,654	1,795
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	941	849	922	14,787	13,942	15,144

Pennsylvania: Corn for Grain - Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 2007

County & District	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production	Value of Production ¹
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Adams	28,600	22,000	79.0	1,738,000	
Allegheny	1,500	900	129.0	116,100	
Armstrong	14,000	10,300	126.0	1,297,800	
Beaver	4,900	3,400	124.0	421,600	
Bedford	30,200	17,000	127.0	2,159,000	
Berks	55,900	37,300	130.0	4,849,000	
Blair	33,000	19,000	139.0	2,641,000	
Bradford	31,500	15,500	119.0	1,844,500	
Bucks	16,500	14,000	119.0	1,666,000	
Butler	18,000	14,500	126.0	1,826,900	
Cambria	12,600	9,500	135.0	1,282,500	
Cameron	300	200	141.0	28,200	
Carbon	2,900	2,400	108.0	259,200	
Centre	30,900	21,500	119.0	2,558,500	
Chester	40,700	30,000	169.0	5,070,000	
Clarion	11,400	7,500	120.0	900,000	
Clearfield	5,400	4,000	108.0	432,000	
Clinton	9,500	5,700	109.0	621,300	
Columbia	21,500	18,800	123.0	2,312,400	
Crawford	35,700	25,000	143.0	3,575,100	
Cumberland	43,100	30,000	109.0	3,270,000	
Dauphin	21,000	19,000	106.0	2,014,000	
Delaware	1,000	700	166.0	116,200	
Elk	1,300	800	94.0	75,200	
Erie	26,000	19,700	133.0	2,620,100	
Fayette	11,000	8,300	123.0	1,020,900	
Forest	700	500	109.0	54,500	
Franklin	74,000	38,000	106.0	4,028,000	
Fulton	14,100	7,000	96.0	672,000	
Greene	1,400	800	92.0	73,600	
Huntingdon	31,000	18,000	122.0	2,196,000	
Indiana	24,100	18,800	133.0	2,500,300	
Jefferson	7,600	4,900	141.0	690,900	
Juniata	21,600	14,200	100.0	1,420,000	
Lackawanna	1,500	700	140.0	98,000	
Lancaster	177,200	106,000	159.0	16,853,800	
Lawrence	17,000	12,600	131.0	1,650,500	
Lebanon	49,400	33,000	160.0	5,280,000	
Lehigh	21,800	20,000	136.0	2,720,000	
Luzerne	8,700	6,600	122.0	805,200	
Lycoming	24,000	17,500	118.0	2,065,000	
McKean	1,600	800	121.0	96,800	
Mercer	39,200	28,300	126.0	3,565,800	
Mifflin	20,100	13,000	138.0	1,794,000	
Monroe	3,100	2,800	109.0	305,200	
Montgomery	10,300	7,000	150.0	1,050,000	
Montour	7,100	6,000	111.0	666,000	
Northampton	30,500	27,000	136.0	3,672,000	
Northumberland	38,200	34,000	102.0	3,467,600	
Perry	25,000	18,000	94.0	1,692,000	
Pike	1,200	1,000	132.0	132,000	
Potter	7,000	4,000	110.0	440,000	
Schuylkill	21,800	18,200	102.0	1,856,400	
Snyder	18,100	13,000	80.0	1,040,000	
Somerset	28,000	14,600	140.0	2,044,000	
Sullivan	3,000	2,500	134.0	335,000	
Susquehanna	6,400	2,500	106.0	264,900	
Tioga	13,800	5,000	126.0	630,000	
Union	14,500	10,000	90.0	900,000	
Venango	7,600	5,500	115.0	632,500	
Warren	5,800	4,000	127.0	508,000	
Washington	7,100	4,000	120.0	480,000	
Wayne	2,400	800	108.0	86,400	
Westmoreland	21,000	16,400	129.0	2,115,400	
Wyoming	6,700	5,000	100.9	504,700	
York	88,000	81,000	140.0	11,338,000	
Northwestern	115,000	83,000	132.0	10,956,000	
North Central	92,000	52,000	118.0	6,136,000	
Northeastern	17,000	9,000	106.0	954,000	
West Central	97,000	72,000	129.0	9,288,000	
Central	300,000	218,000	112.0	24,416,000	
East Central	90,000	78,000	125.0	9,750,000	
Southwestern	70,000	45,000	130.0	5,850,000	
South Central	278,000	195,000	119.0	23,205,000	
Southeastern	351,000	228,000	153.0	34,885,000	
Pennsylvania	1,410,000	980,000	128.0	125,440,000	

¹ Value of production based on preliminary State marketing year average price, released in the July *Agricultural Prices* report published by USDA, NASS.

Pennsylvania: Corn for Silage - Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 2006-2007

County & District	2006				2007			
	Harvested for Silage	Yield Per Acre	Production	Value of Production	Harvested for Silage	Yield Per Acre	Production	Value of Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Adams	3,600	16.5	59,500	1,636,200	6,500	13.5	87,800	2,897,400
Allegheny	800	13.0	10,400	286,000	500	12.6	6,300	207,900
Armstrong	2,900	15.0	43,500	1,196,300	3,500	15.0	52,500	1,732,500
Beaver	1,000	15.8	15,800	434,600	1,400	16.7	23,400	772,200
Bedford	13,300	18.0	239,200	6,578,000	13,000	18.5	240,500	7,936,500
Berks	9,200	19.0	174,800	4,807,000	17,900	19.0	340,100	11,223,300
Blair	13,000	19.5	253,500	6,971,200	13,500	18.0	242,800	8,012,400
Bradford	12,700	15.0	190,500	5,238,800	15,700	12.3	193,100	6,372,300
Bucks	1,700	18.5	31,500	866,300	2,300	18.5	42,600	1,405,800
Butler	3,800	16.1	61,200	1,683,000	3,400	14.0	47,600	1,570,800
Cambria	2,900	15.2	44,100	1,212,700	3,000	16.5	49,500	1,633,500
Cameron	100	16.0	1,600	44,000	100	14.0	1,400	46,200
Carbon	300	13.3	4,000	110,000	400	16.0	6,400	211,200
Centre	6,400	17.0	108,800	2,992,000	9,200	16.5	151,800	5,009,400
Chester	11,400	22.0	250,800	6,897,000	10,400	20.0	208,400	6,877,200
Clarion	3,200	17.6	56,300	1,548,300	3,500	16.0	56,000	1,848,000
Clearfield	1,000	15.0	15,000	412,600	1,200	15.0	18,000	594,000
Clinton	2,700	17.5	47,300	1,300,800	3,400	12.3	41,800	1,379,400
Columbia	1,200	16.5	19,800	544,500	2,000	18.0	36,000	1,188,000
Crawford	7,000	17.0	119,000	3,272,500	9,500	17.1	162,500	5,362,500
Cumberland	10,700	17.5	187,000	5,142,500	12,800	15.0	192,000	6,336,000
Dauphin	1,300	17.0	22,100	607,800	1,700	17.5	29,800	983,400
Delaware	200	19.0	3,800	104,500	200	18.0	3,600	118,800
Elk	500	12.4	6,200	170,500	500	12.4	6,200	204,600
Erie	5,600	15.5	86,800	2,387,000	6,000	15.0	90,000	2,970,000
Fayette	2,000	14.0	28,000	770,000	2,300	15.0	34,500	1,138,500
Forest	100	17.0	1,700	46,800	200	16.0	3,200	105,600
Franklin	26,700	17.5	467,300	12,850,700	35,400	15.0	532,700	17,579,100
Fulton	6,700	15.0	100,500	2,763,800	6,500	14.5	94,500	3,118,500
Greene	700	16.6	11,600	319,000	600	15.0	9,000	297,000
Huntingdon	8,500	18.0	153,000	4,207,500	12,500	14.4	180,000	5,940,000
Indiana	4,100	17.7	72,500	1,993,700	4,600	15.3	70,500	2,326,500
Jefferson	2,600	17.5	45,500	1,251,200	2,600	15.0	39,000	1,287,000
Juniata	5,100	13.2	67,300	1,850,800	7,000	14.0	98,000	3,234,000
Lackawanna	1,200	15.0	18,000	495,000	800	17.8	14,200	468,600
Lancaster	86,300	21.0	1,814,700	49,904,200	69,000	20.0	1,380,500	45,556,500
Lawrence	3,400	18.9	64,300	1,768,200	4,000	14.0	56,000	1,848,000
Lebanon	15,400	19.0	292,600	8,046,500	16,000	18.3	292,800	9,662,400
Lehigh	2,200	16.6	36,500	1,003,700	1,700	19.0	32,300	1,065,900
Luzerne	2,100	12.2	25,600	704,000	2,000	14.4	28,800	950,400
Lycoming	7,200	16.6	119,500	3,286,300	6,500	12.4	80,600	2,659,800
McKean	800	14.4	11,500	316,300	800	16.0	12,800	422,400
Mercer	9,900	17.3	171,300	4,710,600	10,000	15.6	155,600	5,134,800
Mifflin	6,600	19.5	128,700	3,539,200	6,700	16.0	107,200	3,537,600
Monroe	300	11.7	3,500	96,300	300	14.3	4,300	141,900
Montgomery	2,800	18.5	51,800	1,424,500	3,200	17.2	54,900	1,811,700
Montour	1,000	19.0	19,000	522,500	1,100	14.2	15,600	514,800
Northampton	2,600	17.4	45,200	1,243,000	3,000	17.0	51,000	1,683,000
Northumberland	3,000	17.5	52,500	1,443,700	4,000	12.5	50,000	1,650,000
Perry	6,800	14.0	95,200	2,618,000	6,900	16.0	110,400	3,643,200
Pike	200	16.0	3,200	88,000	200	16.5	3,300	108,900
Potter	2,300	16.4	37,700	1,036,600	2,500	16.4	41,000	1,353,000
Schuylkill	1,300	18.6	24,200	665,500	3,400	14.7	49,900	1,646,700
Snyder	2,900	14.5	42,100	1,157,700	5,000	11.5	57,500	1,897,500
Somerset	12,400	16.0	198,600	5,461,500	12,500	14.8	185,600	6,124,800
Sullivan	500	14.4	7,200	198,000	500	13.4	6,700	221,100
Susquehanna	3,400	15.1	51,400	1,413,500	3,900	16.9	65,900	2,174,700
Tioga	10,200	14.9	152,000	4,180,000	8,000	14.8	118,000	3,894,000
Union	2,300	17.0	39,100	1,075,300	4,200	13.0	54,600	1,801,800
Venango	1,600	16.0	25,600	704,000	1,500	15.5	23,200	765,600
Warren	1,800	18.0	32,400	891,000	1,800	16.4	29,500	973,500
Washington	2,900	16.0	46,400	1,276,000	3,000	14.0	42,000	1,386,000
Wayne	1,700	16.9	28,800	792,000	1,600	20.0	32,000	1,056,000
Westmoreland	3,200	13.0	41,600	1,144,000	4,100	16.5	67,600	2,230,800
Wyoming	1,700	13.8	23,400	643,500	1,700	14.1	23,900	788,700
York	7,000	19.5	136,500	3,753,800	6,800	18.5	125,800	4,151,400
Northwestern	26,000	16.8	436,800	12,011,900	29,000	16.0	464,000	15,312,000
North Central	37,000	15.5	573,500	15,771,300	38,000	13.2	501,600	16,552,800
Northeastern	8,000	15.2	121,600	3,344,000	8,000	17.0	136,000	4,488,000
West Central	21,000	17.1	359,100	9,875,300	23,000	15.0	345,000	11,385,000
Central	62,000	17.1	1,060,200	29,155,500	78,000	15.4	1,201,200	39,639,600
East Central	9,000	15.8	142,200	3,910,500	11,000	16.0	176,000	5,808,000
Southwestern	22,000	15.3	336,600	9,256,500	23,000	15.0	345,000	11,385,000
South Central	68,000	17.5	1,190,000	32,725,000	81,000	15.7	1,273,300	42,018,900
Southeastern	127,000	20.6	2,620,000	72,050,000	119,000	19.5	2,322,900	76,655,700
Pennsylvania	380,000	18.0	6,840,000	188,100,000	410,000	16.5	6,765,000	223,245,000

2008 VEGETABLES FOR PROCESSING INTENTIONS

Processors in Pennsylvania intend to contract 5 percent more acres of snap beans in 2008. Snap bean processors intend to contract 10,300 acres of snap beans in 2008, up 500 acres from 2007.

United States' processors expect to contract 1.18 million acres of the 5 major processed vegetable crops this year, which is down 2 percent from last year. Contracted acreage declines are forecast for snap beans and tomatoes, while sweet corn, cucumbers for pickles and green peas show increases. Freezing firms expect to contract 401,350 acres, down 2 percent from last year. Acreage for snap beans is down 12 percent while green pea acreage is up 2 percent from last year. Acreage for sweet corn is virtually unchanged. Canneries contracted for 781,610 acres, down 2 percent from 2007. Acreage declined for snap beans, green peas, and tomatoes, down 9 percent, 1 percent,

and 3 percent, respectively. Acreage increased for sweet corn and cucumbers for pickles, up 3 percent and 4 percent, respectively.

PROCESSING VEGETABLES

Crop	Area Planted			2008 Contract Intentions
	2006 Total	2007		
		Total	Contract	
<i>Acres</i>				
Pennsylvania				
Snap Beans	10,900	10,900	9,800	10,300
United States				
Snap Beans	211,920	213,270	208,600	187,000
Canning	142,580	136,100	133,300	120,750
Freezing	69,340	77,170	75,300	66,250

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for barley, oats, wheat, corn, soybeans and sorghum.*

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