

CROP PRODUCTION

CROPS: Planted and Harvested Acreage, Yield and Production, SOUTH CAROLINA and UNITED STATES, as of August 1, 2008

Crop	Planted Acres (000)		Harvested Acres (000)		Yield per Harvested Acres		Total Production (000)	
	2007	Indicated 2008	2007	Indicated 2008	2007	Indicated 2008	2007	Indicated 2008
SOUTH CAROLINA								
Corn for GrainBu.	400	360	370	330	100.0	65.0	37,000	21,450
Cotton, Upland.....Lb. & Bales	180.0	120.0	158.0	118.0	486	651	160	160
Hay, AllTon	--	--	330	330	1.70	--	561	--
OatsBu.	33	33	13	19	52.0	--	676	--
Peanuts for NutsLb.	59.0	65.0	56.0	62.0	3,100	3,200	173,600	198,400
Sorghum for GrainBu.	10	8	7	5	34.0	--	238	--
Soybeans for Beans Bu.	450	510	425	490	19.0	24.0	8,075	11,760
SweetpotatoesCwt.	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	140	--	70	--
Tobacco, Flue-CuredLb.	--	--	20.5	20.0	2,250	2,250	46,125	45,000
Wheat, Winter Bu.	160	220	135	195	31.0	54.0	4,185	10,530
UNITED STATES								
Corn for GrainBu.	93,600	87,327	86,542	79,290	151.1	155.0	13,073,893	12,287,875
Cotton, Upland Lb. & Bales	10,535.0	9,044.0	10,201.0	7,655	864	830	18,355.1	13,245.0
Hay, AllTon	--	--	61,625	60,439	2.44	--	150,304	147,955
Oats Bu.	3,760	3,467	1,505	1,443	60.9	62.3	91,599	89,897
Peanuts for NutsLb.	1,230.0	1,461.0	1,195.0	1,426.0	3,130	3,151	3,740,650	4,493,400
Sorghum for GrainBu.	7,718	7,271	6,805	6,442	74.2	63.7	504,993	410,134
Soybeans for Beans Bu.	63,631	74,533	62,820	73,341	41.2	40.5	2,585,207	2,972,577
SweetpotatoesCwt.	100.6	104.1	97.5	100.8	189	--	18,452	--
Tobacco, Flue-CuredLb.	--	--	223.0	222.0	2,259	2,268	503,760	503,550
Tobacco, AllLb.	--	--	356.0	350.4	2,191	2,271	779,899	796,009
Wheat, WinterBu.	44,987	46,605	35,952	40,252	42.2	46.6	1,515,989	1,874,857



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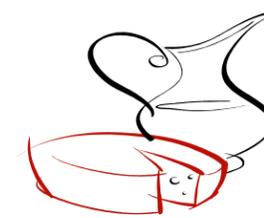
THIS ISSUE'S HIGHLIGHTS

- Broiler Hatchery Production
- Dairy Production
- Chickens and Egg Production
- Fruit Production
- Commercial Red Meat Production
- Milk Production
- Crop Production
- Peanut Stocks

EGG PRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA'S laying flocks produced 92 million eggs during June, down 5 percent from a year ago. Production totaled 70 million table eggs and 22 million hatching eggs. The number of layers averaged 4,470,000 birds, which was down 6 percent from 4,753,000 a year ago. June egg production per 100 layers was 2,058 eggs, compared with 2,041 in 2007.

UNITED STATES egg production totaled 7.37 billion during June 2008, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.27 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 64 million were egg-type. The number of layers during June 2008 averaged 339 million, down slightly from last year. June egg production per 100 layers was 2,176 eggs, up slightly from June 2007.



JUNE DAIRY PRODUCTION

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 803 million pounds, 1.3 percent above June 2007 but 3.4 percent below May 2008.

Italian type cheese production totaled 333 million pounds, 1.8 percent below June 2007 and 3.4 percent below May 2008.

American type cheese production totaled 333 million pounds, 5.4 percent above June 2007 but 5.4 percent below May 2008.

Butter production was 120 million pounds, 9.0 percent above June 2007 but 16.0 percent below May 2008.

Dry Milk Powders: (comparisons with June 2007) nonfat dry milk, human -- 132 million pounds, up 11.9 percent. Skim milk powders -- 33.9 million pounds, up 106.3 percent.

Whey products: (comparisons with June 2007) Dry whey, total -- 92.5 million pounds, down 2.3 percent. Lactose, human and animal -- 63.1 million pounds, up 0.2 percent. Whey protein concentrate, total -- 34.3 million pounds, up 3.7 percent.

Frozen products: (comparisons with June 2007) Ice cream, Regular (hard) -- 90.0 million gallons, up 3.4 percent. Ice cream, Lowfat (total) -- 43.4 million gallons, up 6.8 percent. Sherbet (hard) -- 5.56 million gallons, down 9.9 percent. Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 6.75 million gallons, up 5.6 percent.

**Average Layers and Egg Production
Selected States, and U.S., June, 2008**

Selected States	Average No. of Layers	Eggs Produced	Eggs per 100 Layers
	Thousand	Million	Number
Alabama	9,353	176	1,882
Florida	10,232	221	2,160
Georgia	18,651	371	1,989
North Carolina	12,465	248	1,990
South Carolina	4,470	92	2,058
United States	338,538	7,366	2,176

BROILER HATCHERY PRODUCTION

During the month of June, SOUTH CAROLINA'S broiler hatcheries produced 19.7 million chicks, down 1 percent from last year's 19.9 million chicks.

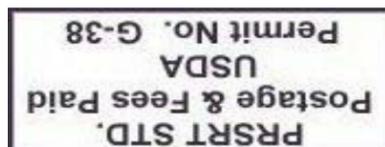
The UNITED STATES broiler-type chicks hatched during June 2008 totaled 806 million, down slightly from June 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 658 million on July 1, 2008, down 1 percent from a year earlier.

**CHICKS HATCHED by Type
South Carolina and U.S., June 2008**

Flock Type and Area	June 2008	Jan-June 2008
	Thousand	
<i>Broiler Type:</i>		
SOUTH CAROLINA	19,739	117,916
United States	806,202	4,853,363
<i>Egg Type:</i>		
United States	42,538	243,576

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MILK PRODUCTION

There were an estimated 86 million pounds of milk produced in SOUTH CAROLINA during the April - June quarter of 2008. This is down 4 percent from the January - March quarter, and down 3 percent from the April - June 2007 quarter. There were 18,000 milk cows on SOUTH CAROLINA farms during April - June 2008, unchanged from the previous quarter, but down 500 cows from the previous year.

Milk production in the UNITED STATES during the April - June quarter totaled 48.7 billion pounds, up 2.7 percent from the April - June quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.27 million head, 136,000 head more than the same period last year.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION: Selected States and United States, April-June, 2007-2008

Selected States	April-June Milk Cows 1/		April-June Milk Production 2/		Percent Change From 2007
	2007	2008	2007	2008	
	Thou. Head		Million Pounds		Percent
California	1,806	1,848	10,267	10,513	2.4
Florida	128	123	596	566	-5.0
Georgia	77	77	388	364	-6.2
North Carolina	48	47	242	233	-3.7
South Carolina	18.5	18.0	89	86	-3.4
Wisconsin	1,247	1,251	6,133	6,219	1.4
United States	9,138	9,274	47,419	48,703	2.7

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: Selected States and United States, June, 2006-2007 1/

Selected States	June 2007	May 2008	June 2008	June 2008 as % of 2/	
				June 2007	May 2008
	Million Pounds			Percent	
Florida	7.1	8.9	8.2	116	92
Georgia	13.0	12.4	12.5	96	100
Iowa	492.8	*564.9	527.3	107	93
North Carolina	173.8	200.2	186.1	107	93
South Carolina ...	20.7	21.1	20.1	97	95
Tennessee	14.5	16.1	15.9	110	99
United States	4,027.5	4,222.3	4,049.6	101	96

* Revised. 1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. 2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: United States, June, 2007-2008 1/

Class	June 2007	May 2008	June 2008	June 08 % of	
				June 07	May 2008
	Million Pounds			Percent	
Beef	2,348.5	*2,380.2	2,262.6	96	95
Veal	11.2	11.5	11.7	105	102
Pork	1,654.1	1,815.6	1,762.1	107	97
Lamb & Mutton	13.7	15.0	13.1	96	88
Total Red Meat 2/.....	4,027.5	4,222.3	4,049.6	101	96

* Revised. 1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Totals may not equal sum of the parts due to rounding.

FRUIT PRODUCTION

Based on August 1 conditions, SOUTH CAROLINA'S 2008 **peach** production is expected to total 52,000 tons, down 5 percent from the July 1 forecast of 55,000 tons. Production is up from last year's crop of 12,500 tons, and down from 2006's production of 60,000 tons. Crop condition has decreased slightly since July 1 as producers have reported more cold injury from spring freezing temperatures and smaller sizing caused by recent year's drought-like conditions.

The SOUTH CAROLINA **apple** forecast on August 1 is 8.0 million pounds, up substantially from .3 million pounds in 2007, and 167 percent up from the 3.0 million pounds produced in 2006.

The August 2008 forecast of U.S. **peach** production is 1.09 million tons, down less than 1 percent from the July 1 forecast and 3 percent below 2007. New Jersey's production remained unchanged from the July 1 forecast but increased 6 percent from last season's estimate. Pennsylvania growers reported adequate rain, good fruit size and overall favorable conditions. Forecasted production is up 7 percent from July 1 and 27 percent above 2007. In Washington, many growers reported frost damage and pollination problems due to cold, windy weather. Forecasted production remains unchanged from July 1 but is down 8 percent from a year ago. Michigan's crop weathered multiple freeze events during the spring, a

hail storm during the summer, and poor pollination throughout the development stages. Forecasted production has declined 12 percent from a month ago and 32 percent from last season.

The U.S. Freestone crop, as of August 1, is forecast at 713,850 tons, down less than 1 percent from last month but 14 percent above last year. The California Freestone forecast, which is carried forward from July 1, at 430,000 tons, is down 4 percent from 2007 but 22 percent above the 2006 crop.

The initial 2008 U.S. **apple** production forecast is set at 9.17 billion pounds, slightly more than the 2007 crop year and down 7 percent from 2006. Multiple spring freezes and summer hailstorms damaged orchards across the nation, however, trees in most areas of the U.S. experienced a recovery from the devastating growing weather in 2007. Production in the Western States (AZ, CA, CO, ID, OR, UT, and WA) is forecast at 5.99 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 2007 but down 3 percent from 2006. Production in the Eastern States (CT, GA, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, VT, VA, and WV) is forecast at 2.29 billion pounds, down 4 percent from 2007 and down 6 percent from 2006. The production forecast for the Central States (IL, IN, IA, KY, MI, MN, MO, OH, TN, and WI) is set at 884 million pounds, a decrease of 7 percent from 2007 and 30 percent below 2006.

PEANUT STOCKS

United States Stocks of Peanuts and Specified Products at Month's End, Crop of 2007-2008 1/

Month Ending	Farmer Stock	Shelled Peanuts 2/	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total 3/
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
August 2007	446,608	519,805	35,609	691,341	1,173,558
September	431,540	460,141	30,374	611,988	1,073,902
October	2,186,144	402,232	31,607	534,969	2,752,720
November	2,821,270	409,063	35,670	544,054	3,400,994
December	2,614,656	403,259	48,773	536,334	3,199,763
January 2008	2,236,846	447,930	65,553	595,747	2,898,146
February	1,872,378	513,830	66,980	683,394	2,622,752
March	1,514,476	559,401	63,675	744,003	2,322,154
April	1,168,424	552,701	64,332	735,092	1,967,848
May	855,820	524,950	71,683	698,184	1,625,687
June	587,912	510,607	66,121	679,107	1,333,140
July					
June 2007	1,080,924	577,839	48,283	768,526	1,897,733

1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 3/ Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts X 1.33.