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## OCTOBER REVIEW



Winter wheat seeding activity continued strong throughout October. Planting was slowed by dry soil conditions early in the month. By the close of the month, solid rainfall arrived just in time for germinating wheat. Wheat stands in Walla Walla County were in excellent condition. Areas in Whitman County had less subsoil moisture for germination prior to the rains. Some re-seeding and re-cropping occurred in Whitman and other northern counties due to dry conditions in early October. A hard freeze mid-month created a lot of concern among apple producers. Crop damage would not be known for some time, but overall damage did not appear to be extreme. The hard freeze ended hay growth and the fourth cutting was essentially done by the end of the month. Cattle were coming in off summer pastures, calves were being weaned and going to auction. Early Christmas tree harvest had begun.

## FIELD CROP SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Crop	Washington Summary						Pacific NW 1/		United States		
	Harvested		Unit	Yield		Production		Production		Production	
	2008	Ind. 2009		2008	Ind. 2009	2008	Ind. 2009	2008	Ind. 2009	2008	Ind. 2009
	Thousand Acres				Thousand		Thousand		Thousand		
All Wheat 6/	2,255	2,225	Bu.	52.7	55.3	118,790	123,085	269,560	271,033	2,499,164	2,220,156
Winter Wheat	1,720	1,640	Bu.	56.0	59.0	96,320	96,760	201,270	195,460	1,867,333	1,522,718
Spring Wheat	535	585	Bu.	42.0	45.0	22,470	26,325	67,560	73,993	548,004	587,361
Barley	195	97	Bu.	57.0	64.0	11,115	6,208	63,095	56,578	240,193	227,383
Corn for Grain	90	90	Bu.	205	210	18,450	18,900	7/	7/	12,101,238	12,920,928
Sugarbeets 8/	1.6	-	Tons	41.9	-	67	-	3,881	-	26,837	29,445
All Hay	710	840	Tons	3.7	4.0	2,614	3,396	11,153	12,186	145,672	152,729
Alfalfa Hay	410	480	Tons	4.4	4.9	1,804	2,352	8,456	9,042	69,620	71,977
Other Hay	300	360	Tons	2.7	2.9	810	1,044	2,697	3,144	76,052	80,752
Dry Edible Beans 4/ 5/	50	58	Cwt.	17.7	17.7	885	1,027	2,441	3,143	25,558	25,170
Dry Edible Peas 3/	75	85	Cwt.	16.0	21.0	1,200	1,785	1,875	2,750	12,270	17,378
Lentils 2/	55	70	Cwt.	11.0	14.0	605	980	-	-	2,393	5,827
Potatoes, Fall	155	145	Cwt.	600.0	610.0	93,000	88,450	228,151	240,540	415,055	429,691

1/ Includes, Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.

2/ Pacific Northwest totals not available.

3/ Excludes both wrinkled seed peas and Austrian winter peas.

4/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed. Yield and production forecast on a cleaned basis.

5/ Estimates for the Pacific Northwest current year carried forward from earlier forecast.

6/ Excludes durum.

7/ Available January 11, 2010.

8/ Estimates discontinued in 2009.

# PRICES

## AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR FARM PRODUCTS (DOLLAR/UNIT)

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Preliminary Oct. 2009	Entire Month		Preliminary Oct. 2009	U.S. Parity Price
		Oct. 2008	Sep. 2009		Oct. 2008	Sep. 2009		
				<b>Washington</b>				
Wheat, All	Bu.	6.21	4.50	4.60	6.65	4.48	4.56	13.40
Winter Wheat	Bu.	5.96	4.32	4.33	6.03	4.20	4.35	-
Wheat, Durum	Bu.	-	-	-	11.50	4.93	4.23	-
Other Spring Wheat	Bu.	7.23	5.14	5.47	7.20	4.85	5.02	-
Barley	Bu.	3.84	2.74	2.76	5.73	4.78	3.94	9.07
Corn for Grain	Bu.	-	-	-	4.37	3.25	3.54	8.30
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	3.26	1.81	1.80	5.49
Lentils	Cwt.	-	-	-	37.40	25.20	24.30	-
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	40.00	30.40	28.60	64.90
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt.	-	-	-	13.80	8.78	8.76	-
Chickpeas, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	39.10	31.30	29.20	-
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	6.00	8.05	7.90	7.60	8.27	7.79	19.00
Potatoes, Processing	Cwt.	5.25	8.00	-	5.61	7.90	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 1/	Tons	227.00	140.00	137.00	156.00	107.00	106.00	-
Alfalfa (baled) 1/	Tons	230.00	120.00	120.00	171.00	110.00	109.00	-
Other Hay (baled) 1/	Tons	220.00	190.00	180.00	118.00	100.00	98.50	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.61
Apples, Fresh 2/	Lbs.	0.425	0.316	0.310	0.425	0.335	0.310	0.768
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt.	-	-	-	87.40	80.60	78.90	237.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	92.90	85.50	84.00	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	106.00	107.00	103.00	340.00
Milk Cows 3/	Head	2,000.00	-	1,200.00	1,920.00	-	1,240.00	-
Broilers, Live 4/	Lbs.	-	-	-	0.450	0.420	0.400	-
Eggs, Market 1/	Doz.	0.970	0.630	0.700	0.891	0.568	0.635	2.12
Milk, All Wholesale 5/ 6/	Cwt.	16.20	12.30	13.30	17.80	12.90	13.80	44.40
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	48.50	37.70	37.20	130.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	21.70	29.60	-	103.00
Lambs	Cwt.	-	-	-	97.40	98.40	-	267.00

1/ All prices are mid-month estimates.

2/ Equivalent packinghouse door returns for apples for CA, MI, NY, and WA, and price as sold for other states.

3/ Dairy cows sold for dairy herd replacement. Prices estimated quarterly.

4/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers. Includes growers and contractors.

5/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

6/ October 2009 Fat test percent: all milk, 3.71.

