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## SEPTEMBER REVIEW

Early September saw the grain harvest across the State winding down. In general, yields were above average and the overall harvest was good. By months end, grain farmers were pushing hard to wrap up winter wheat seeding operations. In general, September weather was quite warm and this accelerated seeding activity. Alfalfa production was aided by the warm, dry weather and the fourth cutting of hay was well underway by the close of the month. Hop harvest was in full swing in early September and the harvest was so plentiful that some growers left hops in the field due to excessive supply. Harvest of peaches, nectarines, Gala and Honeycrisp apples began and continued throughout the month. Reports showed size and quality were superior to last year's harvest. By months end, Golden and Red Delicious apple harvest was taking over where other varieties had been picked. The month closed out with Garbanzo bean harvest wrapping up and Christmas tree growers continuing to shear and top work Noble fir.

## FRUIT PRODUCTION: FRUIT SUMMARY, OCTOBER 1, 2009

**Apples** – The final U.S. apple production forecast for the 2009 crop year is 10.02 billion pounds, down 1 percent from August but up 3 percent from 2008. Washington production, which makes up 56 percent of the total, is forecast at 5.60 billion pounds, down 3 percent from both the previous forecast and 2008. Overall production is expected to be lower than last year due to scattered frost and hail damage and a prolonged period of hot weather during late July and early August. Quality is reported to be very good and fruit size is more evenly distributed than last year. Weather conditions during harvest have been very good to date. The apple forecast for New York, at 1.29 billion pounds, is 2 percent higher than the August forecast and 3 percent higher than 2008. Michigan's production forecast is 1.15 billion pounds, up 10 percent from August and 92 percent above last year's frost reduced crop. **Grapes** – U.S. all grape production for 2009 is forecast at 7.02 million tons, virtually unchanged from the August forecast but down 4 percent from last year. California leads the U.S. in grape production with 89 percent of the total. Washington and New York are the next largest producing States, with 6 percent and 2 percent, respectively. Washington's all grape forecast of 395,000 tons is unchanged from August but is 13 percent higher than 2008. Wine grape production is forecast at 155,000 tons, unchanged from the August forecast. If realized, this will be Washington's largest wine grape crop on record, surpassing last year's record high crop by 7 percent. The juice type grape forecast, at 240,000 tons, is unchanged from the previous forecast. Growing conditions have been favorable this season. Harvest is progressing well and fruit is yielding good sugar levels. California's all grape forecast, at 6.25 million tons, is unchanged from August but down 4 percent from last year. California's wine type production is expected to total 3.40 million tons, 54 percent of California's total grape crop, and is up 3 percent from the August forecast.

Crop and State	Total Production			Crop and State	Total Production		
	2007	2008	Ind. 2009		2007	2008	Ind. 2009
	Million Pounds				1,000 Tons		
<b>APPLES:</b> 1/				<b>GRAPES:</b>			
California 2/	345.0	360.0	330.0	California, All	6,230	6,532	6,250
Idaho 2/	35.0	85.0	65.0	Wine Types	3,288	3,055	3,400
Michigan	770.0	600.0	1,150.0	Table Types 3/	791	972	850
New York	1,310.0	1,250.0	1,290.0	Raisin Types 3/	2,151	2,505	2,000
Oregon 2/	135.0	119.0	110.0	Michigan	100.1	73.7	99.0
Pennsylvania	470.0	440.0	485.0	New York	180.0	172.0	135.0
Virginia	215.0	230.0	200.0	Oregon 2/	38.6	34.7	37.0
<b>Washington</b>	<b>5,200.0</b>	<b>5,800.0</b>	<b>5,600.0</b>	Pennsylvania	84.0	107.2	70.0
Other States	609.4	885.3	786.0	<b>Washington</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>395</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>9,089.4</b>	<b>9,769.3</b>	<b>10,016.0</b>	Wine	127	145	155
				Juice	269	205	240
				Other States 2/	28.6	33.7	35.0
				<b>United States</b>	<b>7,057.3</b>	<b>7,303.3</b>	<b>7,021.0</b>

1/ In orchards of 100 or more bearing age trees. 2/ Estimates for current year carried forward from earlier forecast. 3/ Fresh basis.

# GRAIN STOCKS



The quantity of wheat stored in all positions in Washington on September 1, 2009 increased from a year earlier. The quantity of wheat stored in Washington totaled 133.7 million bushels, a 19 percent increase from September 1, 2008. The quantity of barley in Washington storages totaled 7.7 million bushels, down 9 percent from the same date in 2008.

Wheat stored on farms in Washington on September 1, 2009 totaled 18.0 million bushels, down 3.0 million bushels from the quantity stored on farms on September 1, 2008. Wheat stored off farms totaled 115.7 million bushels compared with 91.4 million bushels on the same date a year ago.

The quantity of wheat stored in the Pacific Northwest (Washington, Oregon and Idaho) on September 1, 2009 totaled 254.7 million bushels, 15 percent above September 1, 2008. On-farm stocks totaled 65.5 million bushels, up 7 percent from a year ago and off-farm stocks totaled 189.2 million bushels, an

increase of 18 percent from last year.

The quantity of wheat stored in all positions in the United States on September 1, 2009 totaled 2.22 billion bushels, up 19 percent from last year. On-farm stocks, at 840.0 million bushels, were up 32 percent from last September. Holdings off-farm were 1.38 billion bushels, up 12 percent from September 2008.

September 1, 2009 on-farm barley stocks in Washington totaled 1.9 million bushels, down 200,000 bushels from the quantity in storage on the same date a year ago. The quantity of barley stored in the State in off-farm storages was 5.8 million bushels, a decrease of 9 percent from the quantity in storage on September 1, 2008. Pacific Northwest barley stocks in all positions totaled 58.5 million bushels on September 1, 2009, an increase of 16 percent from the quantity in storage on September 1, 2008. Nationally, barley stocks in all positions were estimated at 239.3 million bushels, up 15 percent from last year.

Crop/ Quarter	Washington			Pacific Northwest 1/			United States		
	On-Farm	Off-Farm 2/	Total	On-Farm	Off-Farm 2/	Total	On-Farm	Off-Farm 2/	Total
<b>1,000 Bushels</b>									
<b>Wheat</b>									
Sep. 1, 2008	21,000	91,430	112,430	61,000	161,000	222,000	635,700	1,222,423	1,858,123
June 1, 2009 3/	1,600	32,130	33,730	8,900	56,375	65,275	140,745	515,760	656,505
Sep. 1, 2009	18,000	115,696	133,696	65,500	189,198	254,698	840,000	1,375,167	2,215,167
<b>Barley</b>									
Sep. 1, 2008	2,100	6,389	8,489	27,420	23,152	50,572	127,070	81,669	208,739
June 1, 2009 3/	1,150	3,057	4,207	*	12,779	*	27,010	61,723	88,733
Sep. 1, 2009	1,900	5,841	7,741	32,200	26,315	58,515	154,000	85,314	239,314
<b>Corn</b>									
Sep. 1, 2008	*	3,607	*	*	7,424	*	499,950	1,124,200	1,624,150
June 1, 2009 3/	*	7,160	*	*	9,289	*	2,205,400	2,056,027	4,261,427
Sep. 1, 2009	*	8,018	*	*	10,377	*	607,500	1,066,559	1,674,059
<b>Oats</b>									
Sep. 1, 2008	*	82	*	*	479	*	52,800	66,296	119,096
June 1, 2009 3/	*	40	*	*	502	*	17,480	66,619	84,099
Sep. 1, 2009	*	80	*	*	927	*	54,500	73,955	128,455

1/ Includes Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

2/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

3/ Revised.

\* Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

## Wheat: Production by Class, United States, 2007-2009 1/

Year	Winter					Spring					Total
	Hard Red	Soft Red	Hard White	Soft White	All White	Hard Red	Hard White	Soft White	All White	Durum	
<b>1,000 Bushels</b>											
2007	955,555	352,026	21,454	170,206	191,660	450,070	5,585	23,968	29,553	72,224	2,051,088
2008	1,034,694	613,578	22,702	196,360	219,062	512,138	6,340	29,525	35,865	83,827	2,499,164
2009	919,015	403,563	18,128	182,012	200,140	550,883	7,865	28,613	36,478	110,077	2,220,156

1/ Wheat class estimates are based on the latest available data including both survey and administrative data.

## ONIONS: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY SEASON AND STATE, 2007-2009

Season/ Type	Area Harvested		Area For Harvest 2009	Yield Per Acre			Production		
	2007	2008		2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
	Acres			Cwt.			1,000 Cwt.		
<b>Spring</b>	30,200	28,400	27,000	327	338	349	9,870	9,603	9,428
<b>Summer</b>									
<b>Non-Storage</b>	20,200	19,400	17,700	545	533	599	10,999	10,344	10,608
<b>Storage:</b>									
California 1/	29,000	31,300	32,000	425	425	435	12,325	13,303	13,920
Colorado	7,700	7,500	5,500	410	380	470	3,157	2,850	2,585
Idaho	9,100	8,600	8,800	750	720	740	6,825	6,192	6,512
Michigan	3,800	3,600	3,900	260	280	330	988	1,008	1,287
New York	10,500	10,100	9,700	360	410	380	3,780	4,141	3,686
Oregon - Malheur	12,600	12,200	12,000	780	710	720	9,828	8,662	8,640
- Other	10,300	9,600	9,600	620	620	700	6,386	5,952	6,720
<b>Washington</b>	<b>22,500</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>19,000</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>13,725</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>11,970</b>
Wisconsin	2,100	1,100	2,000	370	300	500	777	330	1,000
Other States 2/	2,080	1,690	1,910	470	497	445	978	840	849
Subtotal	109,680	105,690	104,410	536	523	548	58,769	55,278	57,169
<b>Summer Total</b>	<b>129,880</b>	<b>125,090</b>	<b>122,110</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>69,768</b>	<b>65,622</b>	<b>67,777</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>160,080</b>	<b>153,490</b>	<b>149,110</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>79,638</b>	<b>75,225</b>	<b>77,205</b>

1/ Primarily for dehydrated and other processing.

2/ OH and UT.

## FIELD CROP SUMMARY, OCTOBER 1, 2009

CROP	WASHINGTON					PACIFIC NW 1/		UNITED STATES			
	Harvested		Unit	Yield		Production		Production		Production	
	2008	2009		2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<b>1,000 Acres</b>							<b>1,000</b>			
All Wheat	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.	205.0	205.0	18,450	18,450	2/	2/	12,101,238	13,018,058
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
Sugarbeets	1.6	3/	Tons	41.9	3/	67	3/	3,881	3/	26,837	30,993
Dry Beans 4/	50	58	Cwt.	1,770	1,770	885	1,027	2,441	3,143	25,558	25,170

1/ Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington. 2/ Idaho and Oregon not published separately. 3/ Estimates discontinued in 2009.

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

# PRICES

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

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Preliminary Sep. 2009	Entire Month		Preliminary Sep. 2009	U.S. Parity Price
		Sep. 2008	Aug. 2009		Sep. 2008	Aug. 2009		
		Washington			United States			
Wheat, All	Bu.	7.25	5.74	4.49	7.43	4.83	4.30	13.50
Wheat, Winter	Bu.	7.06	5.27	4.18	6.99	4.67	4.03	-
Wheat, Durum	Bu.	-	-	-	11.90	5.90	4.93	-
Wheat, Spring	Bu.	8.16	6.80	5.19	7.76	5.52	4.72	-
Barley, All	Bu.	4.75	2.38	2.17	5.97	5.27	3.87	9.11
Corn for Grain	Bu.	-	-	-	5.01	3.33	3.32	8.34
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	3.29	1.86	1.80	5.52
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	36.80	32.00	30.90	65.20
Chickpeas, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	37.90	25.50	8/	-
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt.	-	-	-	15.40	9.08	8.35	-
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	8.30	7.85	6.75	8.65	9.61	7.65	19.10
Potatoes, Processing	Cwt.	5.15	6.65	-	5.71	6.93	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 1/	Tons	232.00	137.00	140.00	161.00	109.00	107.00	-
Alfalfa (baled) 1/	Tons	235.00	120.00	120.00	175.00	111.00	110.00	-
Other Hay (baled) 1/	Tons	225.00	180.00	190.00	121.00	101.00	100.00	-
Lentils	Cwt.	-	-	-	36.30	26.90	25.10	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.64
Apples, Fresh 2/	Lbs.	0.530	0.187	-	0.506	0.256	0.335	0.771
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt.	-	-	-	94.20	80.60	80.80	238.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	99.30	85.10	85.90	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	113.00	110.00	107.00	341.00
Milk Cows 3/	Head	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Broilers, Live 4/	Lbs.	-	-	-	0.450	0.430	0.420	-
Eggs, Market 1/ 5/	Doz.	0.980	0.670	0.630	0.861	0.579	0.568	2.13
Milk, All Wholesale 6/ 7/	Cwt.	17.60	11.40	12.30	18.20	12.00	12.70	44.60
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	52.60	37.40	37.80	130.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	24.50	31.40	-	104.00
Lambs	Cwt.	-	-	-	99.40	97.40	-	269.00

1/ All prices are mid-month estimates.

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

3/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for January, April, July, & October.

4/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers.

5/ Also referred to as table eggs.

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

7/ September 2009 Fat test percent: all milk 3.63.

8/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.