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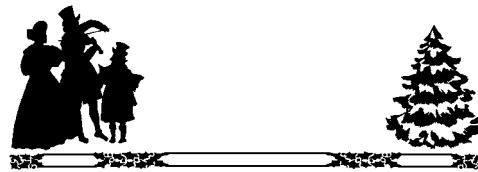
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## MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production for Washington in November 2008 totaled 453 million pounds, 2 million pounds above November 2007. Production per cow averaged 1,850 pounds, no change from November 2007. The number of milk cows on Washington farms was estimated at 245,000 head, 1,000 head above November 2007.

Milk production in the 23 major states during November 2008 totaled 14.0 billion pounds, up 1.4 percent from November 2007. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,657 pounds for November, 3 pounds above November 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 99,000 head more than November a year ago and 6,000 head more than October 2008.

*Happy  
Holidays !!*



### Milk Cows & Production: by State, October & November, 2007-2008 1/

STATE	Milk Cows 2/				Milk Per Cow 3/				Milk Production 3/			
	October		November		October		November		October		November	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<b>Thousand Head</b>				<b>Pounds</b>				<b>Million Pounds</b>			
Arizona	184	185	185	187	1,850	1,845	1,830	1,850	340	341	339	346
California	1,826	1,840	1,830	1,840	1,870	1,840	1,810	1,795	3,415	3,386	3,312	3,303
Colorado	120	130	120	130	1,930	1,890	1,900	1,845	232	246	228	240
Florida	125	119	125	119	1,120	1,230	1,200	1,300	140	146	150	155
Idaho	522	554	525	554	1,880	1,870	1,810	1,800	981	1,036	950	997
Illinois	103	102	103	102	1,490	1,490	1,470	1,470	153	152	151	150
Indiana	166	166	166	167	1,685	1,625	1,650	1,580	280	270	274	264
Iowa	215	215	215	215	1,630	1,690	1,590	1,630	350	363	342	350
Kansas	108	115	108	118	1,650	1,765	1,640	1,720	178	203	177	203
Kentucky	87	87	88	87	1,115	1,100	1,100	1,100	97	96	97	96
Michigan	341	352	343	352	1,860	1,810	1,825	1,755	634	637	626	618
Minnesota	463	465	463	465	1,530	1,555	1,500	1,525	708	723	695	709
Missouri	109	110	109	110	1,190	1,180	1,190	1,175	130	130	130	129
New Mexico	337	334	337	333	1,845	1,920	1,780	1,900	622	641	600	633
New York	626	625	626	624	1,630	1,620	1,575	1,580	1,020	1,013	986	986
Ohio	277	278	277	278	1,470	1,510	1,430	1,450	407	420	396	403
Oregon	114	114	115	114	1,545	1,630	1,490	1,570	176	186	171	179
Pennsylvania	551	549	550	548	1,610	1,570	1,580	1,510	887	862	869	827
Texas	350	388	351	390	1,740	1,790	1,760	1,765	609	695	618	688
Vermont	140	139	140	139	1,510	1,490	1,465	1,460	211	207	205	203
Virginia	100	97	100	97	1,410	1,435	1,400	1,410	141	139	140	137
<b>Washington</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>1,930</b>	<b>1,920</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>453</b>
Wisconsin	1,249	1,253	1,249	1,254	1,600	1,625	1,550	1,565	1,998	2,036	1,936	1,963
<b>23 State Total</b>	<b>8,355</b>	<b>8,462</b>	<b>8,369</b>	<b>8,468</b>	<b>1,697</b>	<b>1,701</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>1,657</b>	<b>14,176</b>	<b>14,398</b>	<b>13,843</b>	<b>14,032</b>

1/ October 2008 revised. 2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## POTATOES

Washington's 2008 potato production is estimated at 93.0 million cwt., a decrease of 10.0 percent from the 2007 production of 102.3 million cwt. Potatoes stored in Washington on December 1, 2008, were estimated at 49.5 million cwt., 8.3 percent less than December 1, 2007. December 1 stocks accounted for 53 percent of Washington's 2008 crop.

The 13 major potato states had 242.2 million cwt. of potatoes in storage on December 1, 2008, down 9 percent from last year. Potatoes in storage accounted for 66 percent of 2008 fall production. Total potato production in the 13 major producing states is estimated at 365.7 million cwt., compared with 398.5 million cwt. in 2007.

### Fall Potatoes: Production and Stocks on December 1, 2007-2008

State	Crop Year	Production	Total Stocks Dec 1	Stocks as % of Production
		1,000 Cwt.		Percent
<b>Washington</b>	2007	102,300	59,000	58
	<b>2008</b>	<b>93,000</b>	<b>49,500</b>	<b>53</b>
Idaho	2007	130,010	92,000	71
	2008	114,805	83,000	72
Oregon	2007	20,238	18,000	89
	2008	18,387	15,900	86
<b>13 State Total</b>	2007	398,465	267,500	67
	<b>2008</b>	<b>365,694</b>	<b>242,200</b>	<b>66</b>

### Potatoes: Quantity Used for Processing, Nine States, 2007-2008 1/

State	Crop Year	To Dec 1	Season Totals
		1,000 Cwt.	
Idaho & OR (Malheur Co.)	2007	26,230	88,030
	2008	22,360	-
Maine 2/	2007	1,700	7,640
	2008	1,630	-
<b>WA &amp; OR (Other Co.)</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>30,595</b>	<b>82,770</b>
	<b>2008</b>	<b>32,570</b>	-
Other States 3/	2007	15,040	39,430
	2008	15,195	-
<b>Total Nine States</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>73,565</b>	<b>217,870</b>
	<b>2008</b>	<b>71,755</b>	-
Dehydrated 4/	2007	12,815	46,760
	2008	10,745	-

1/ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced. Amount excludes quantities used for potato chips in ME and WI.

2/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

3/ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI.

4/ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Included in above totals. Includes CO, ID, NV, ND, OR, WA, and WI.

## Cattle on Feed, 1,000 + Head Capacity Feedlots

ITEM	IDAHO	WASHINGTON	U.S. TOTAL
	<b>1,000 Head</b>		
Cattle on Feed, Nov 1 1/	210	163	10,972
Placed on Feed During Nov	65	36	2,015
Fed Cattle Marketed During Nov	49	29	1,575
Other Disappearances during Nov 2/	1	1	67
Cattle on Feed, Dec 1 1/	225	169	11,345

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## POULTRY

Washington egg production totaled 134 million eggs during November 2008, compared to 124 million eggs a year ago. The total number of layers during November 2008 averaged 5.9 million, up 6 percent from November 2007. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,281 eggs, compared with 2,230 in November 2007.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.51 billion during November 2008, down slightly from last year. The total number of layers during November 2008 averaged 339 million, down 2 percent from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,217 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2007.

### Layer and Egg Production, November 2007-2008, Selected States

State & Year		All Layers 1/ Thousand	Eggs Per 100 Layers 1/ Number	Egg Production Millions	December 1	
					Being Molted	Molt Complete
					Percent	
Arkansas	2007	13,946	1,943	271	0.0	13.0
	2008	12,740	1,962	250	0.0	8.5
California	2007	19,281	2,152	415	3.5	31.5
	2008	20,534	2,196	451	1.0	33.0
Georgia	2007	19,306	2,082	402	0.5	14.5
	2008	18,263	2,092	382	1.5	11.5
Indiana	2007	24,671	2,266	559	2.0	36.0
	2008	23,968	2,215	531	4.0	35.0
Iowa	2007	53,452	2,153	1,151	2.5	37.0
	2008	53,170	2,263	1,203	3.0	29.5
Ohio	2007	26,427	2,195	580	2.0	16.5
	2008	27,090	2,237	606	2.5	18.0
Oregon	2007	2,601	2,499	65	0.0	35.0
	2008	2,423	2,518	61	4.5	31.0
Pennsylvania	2007	21,973	2,398	527	2.0	12.5
	2008	21,935	2,380	522	0.0	10.0
Texas	2007	19,191	2,256	433	0.5	27.0
	2008	18,840	2,261	426	0.5	25.5
<b>Washington</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>5,561</b>	<b>2,230</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>41.5</b>
	<b>2008</b>	<b>5,874</b>	<b>2,281</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>27.0</b>
United States	2007	344,229	2,191	7,542	1.8	23.9
	2008	338,926	2,217	7,513	1.8	21.4

1/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

## COLD STORAGE

Total U.S. fresh apples in storage on November 30, 2008, totaled 6.14 billion pounds (146.2 million boxes), up 14 percent from a year ago and 5 percent less than last month. Frozen French fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast States and eight Mountain States on November 30, 2008, totaled 589.2 million pounds. Total potatoes in storage for the three Pacific Coast States and eight Mountain States totaled 739.1 million pounds, or accounted for 61 percent of the Nation's total potatoes in storage.

### SELECTED STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Nov. 30, 2007	Oct. 31, 2008	Nov. 30, 2008
	<b>1,000 Pounds</b>		
Apples, Fresh			
California	48,804	81,497	69,769
Michigan	273,629	312,665	310,356
New York	520,170	558,222	519,708
Oregon	33,491	58,181	37,235
Pennsylvania	224,616	233,058	204,503
Washington	4,013,478	4,750,000	4,467,876
Regular Storage	969,572	1,667,238	1,421,161
Controlled Atmosphere	4,438,267	4,761,437	4,717,678
<b>48 State Total</b>	5,407,839	6,428,675	6,138,839
Potatoes, French Fries			
Mountain 1/	193,800	188,623	191,217
Pacific 2/	383,161	394,378	397,943
<b>48 States</b>	863,394	958,324	963,401
Potatoes, Total			
Mountain 1/	265,078	278,867	278,786
Pacific 2/	438,228	450,903	460,294
<b>48 States</b>	1,078,427	1,201,464	1,212,301

1/ Mountain states include: AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, & WY.

2/ Pacific states include: CA, OR, & WA.

The staff at the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Washington Field office wants to thank all farmers, ranchers, agribusinesses and county agents who have taken time to supply the information needed for our many surveys in 2008. You help make agriculture count in Washington.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.



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