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January Crop Weather Review



Generally speaking, winter wheat seemed to be doing well. However, there were some concerns about winter kill, snow mold or damage to winter wheat from the long period of snow cover, particularly in north hillsides. Cattle operations continued with calving activities while feed prices remained high and cattle prices low. Heavy snows were reported in northern counties while the western side of the State saw excessive rains and flooding. Damage was not as extensive to agriculture as it was in urban areas.

FARM LABOR

HIRED WORKERS, WAGE RATES, PACIFIC REGION & UNITED STATES 1/2/

Month/ Year	Number of Workers 3/			Hours Worked 3/								
	Pacific	California	United States	Pacific	California	United States						
	1,000 Workers			Hours Per Week								
Jan 2007 4/												
Apr	63	176	736	38.5	45.6	40.7						
Jul	92	188	843	39.7	46.9	41.4						
Oct	75	188	817	40.7	45.5	42.2						
Jan 2008	42	132	594	35.7	40.7	38.4						
Apr	68	156	700	44.0	43.7	40.8						
Jul	110	160	828	40.6	45.5	40.5						
Oct	90	*176	*804	45.5	*46.1	*41.4						
Jan 2009	52	132	595	37.8	41.3	38.3						
	WAGE RATES 3/											
Month/ Year	Field			Livestock			Field & Livestock			All 5/		
	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.
	Dollars Per Hour											
Jan '07 4/												
Apr	9.39	9.62	9.35	9.70	10.90	9.59	9.45	9.82	9.42	10.24	10.71	10.20
Jul	9.64	9.60	9.24	10.65	10.60	9.73	9.71	9.72	9.37	10.41	10.32	9.99
Oct	10.48	9.70	9.62	11.07	11.00	10.02	10.55	9.89	9.73	11.30	10.74	10.38
Jan '08	9.94	10.20	9.67	11.68	10.70	10.18	10.14	10.32	9.88	11.25	11.56	10.81
Apr	9.14	10.00	9.65	11.34	11.00	10.24	9.41	10.16	9.84	10.00	11.05	10.57
Jul	9.85	9.85	9.66	10.22	11.00	9.98	9.87	10.00	9.74	10.35	10.74	10.34
Oct	10.94	9.95	10.05	10.54	*11.90	*10.21	10.90	*10.22	*10.09	11.37	*10.93	10.70
Jan '09	10.35	9.81	9.96	9.48	10.95	10.27	10.25	10.10	10.08	11.40	11.16	10.93

1/ Pacific Region includes Washington and Oregon.

* Revised.

2/ United States excludes Alaska.

3/ All hired farm workers and wage rates includes supervisor/manager and other workers which are not published separately.

4/ The January 2007 Farm Labor Survey was not conducted.

5/ Benefits such as housing and meals are provided some workers, but the values are not included in the wage rates. Excludes agricultural service workers.

The farm labor reference week is the week that included the 12th of the month.

FALL POTATO PRODUCTION & STOCKS, FEBRUARY 1, 2008-2009 1/

State	Crop of 2007			Crop of 2008		
	Production	Total Stocks Feb. 1, 2008	Feb. 1 Stocks As % of Prod.	Production	Total Stocks Feb. 1, 2009 2/	Feb. 1 Stocks As % of Prod.
	1,000 Cwt.		Percent		1,000 Cwt.	Percent
California	3,792	1,400	37	3,939	1,300	33
Colorado	20,981	11,200	53	21,338	12,500	59
Idaho	130,010	71,500	55	114,805	64,000	56
Maine	16,668	9,700	58	14,769	8,500	58
Michigan	14,700	5,300	36	14,875	5,000	34
Minnesota	20,560	9,900	48	20,400	10,600	52
Montana	3,696	3,400	92	3,465	3,200	92
Nebraska	8,217	3,700	45	8,342	4,000	48
New York	5,216	1,600	31	5,696	1,200	21
North Dakota	23,660	10,000	42	22,680	10,300	45
Oregon	20,293	13,900	68	18,676	12,000	64
Washington	100,800	43,800	43	93,000	38,600	42
Wisconsin	28,160	13,900	49	25,730	12,000	47
13 State Total	397,753	199,300	50	367,715	183,200	50
Klamath Basin 2/		2,700			2,800	

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2007 totaled 26.4 million cwt.

2/ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon.



POTATOES USED FOR PROCESSING, NINE STATES, 2007-2008 CROPS 1/

State	Storage Season	To Dec. 1	To Jan. 1	To Feb. 1	To Mar. 1	To Apr. 1	To May 1	To Jun 1	Season Totals
		1,000 Cwt.							
Idaho & OR (Malheur Co.)	2007-08	26,230	33,250	40,310	48,660	55,460	63,000	70,700	88,030
	2008-09	22,360	28,980	35,430					
Maine 2/	2007-08	1,700	2,170	2,815	3,440	3,990	4,670	5,240	7,550
	2008-09	1,635	2,240	2,890					
WA. & OR (Other Co.)	2007-08	30,595	36,940	42,350	50,165	57,160	67,690	72,380	82,770
	2008-09	32,570	37,750	42,490					
Other States 3/	2007-08	15,040	17,535	20,755	23,900	26,650	29,710	32,600	39,430
	2008-09 5/	12,535	15,190	18,360					
Nine State Total	2007-08	73,565	89,895	106,230	126,165	143,260	165,070	180,920	217,780
	2008-09 5/	69,100	84,160	99,170					
Dehydrated 4/	2007-08	12,815	16,785	21,040	25,350	29,500	33,650	37,975	46,660
	2008-09 6/	10,745	14,570	18,410					

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 ME 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.

5/ December and January revised.

6/ January revised

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, & VALUE, WASHINGTON, 2005-2008

Crop & Year	Acreage		Yield Per Acre	Unit	Production	Average Price Per Unit	Value of Production	Value Per Harv Acre
	Planted	Harvested						
	1,000 Acres				1,000 Units	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Dollars
Wheat, Winter								
2005	1,850	1,800	67.0	Bu.	120,600	3.21	387,126	215
2006	1,850	1,800	65.0	Bu.	117,000	4.42	517,140	287
2007	1,720	1,690	62.0	Bu.	104,780	7.51	786,898	466
2008	1,750	1,720	56.0	Bu.	96,320	6.25	602,000	350
Wheat, Spring								
2005	430	425	44.0	Bu.	18,700	3.70	69,190	163
2006	430	425	50.0	Bu.	21,250	4.74	100,725	237
2007	450	447	46.0	Bu.	20,562	7.89	162,234	363
2008	510	505	42.0	Bu.	21,210	7.20	152,712	302
Wheat, All 10/								
2005	2,280	2,225	62.6	Bu.	139,300	3.32	456,316	205
2006	2,280	2,225	62.1	Bu.	138,250	4.49	617,865	278
2007	2,170	2,137	58.7	Bu.	125,342	7.58	949,132	444
2008	2,260	2,225	52.8	Bu.	117,530	6.40	754,712	339
Barley								
2005	215	205	61.0	Bu.	12,505	2.16	27,011	132
2006	200	190	63.0	Bu.	11,970	2.88	34,474	181
2007	235	225	62.0	Bu.	13,950	5.08	70,866	315
2008	190	185	57.0	Bu.	10,545	4.15	43,762	237
Oats								
2005	25	8	72.0	Bu.	576	1.65	950	119
2006	30	8	84.0	Bu.	672	1.90	1,277	160
2007	30	9	50.0	Bu.	450	2.85	1,283	143
2008	20	5	80.0	Bu.	400	3.05	1,220	244
Corn for Grain 1/								
2005	150	80	205.0	Bu.	16,400	2.81	46,084	576
2006	140	75	210.0	Bu.	15,750	3.72	58,590	781
2007	195	115	210.0	Bu.	24,150	4.50	108,675	945
2008	165	90	205.0	Bu.	18,450	4.10	75,645	841
Corn for Silage								
2005	-	70	27.0	Tons	1,890	31.30	59,157	845
2006	-	65	27.0	Tons	1,755	34.40	60,372	929
2007	-	80	26.0	Tons	2,080	40.30	83,824	1,048
2008	-	75	26.0	Tons	1,950	48.30	94,185	1,256
Dry Edible Beans 8/								
2005	49.0	48.0	16.5	Cwt.	792	21.80	17,266	360
2006	61.0	60.5	16.0	Cwt.	968	24.40	23,619	390
2007	60.0	60.0	17.0	Cwt.	1,020	30.80	31,416	524
2008	50.0	50.0	17.7	Cwt.	885	40.60	35,931	719
Dry Edible Peas 9/								
2005	80	78	17.0	Cwt.	1,326	5.54	7,346	94
2006	67	66	18.0	Cwt.	1,188	7.42	8,815	134
2007	67	66	19.0	Cwt.	1,254	14.50	18,183	276
2008	75	75	16.0	Cwt.	1,200	14.70	17,640	235
Lentils								
2005	85	84	10.0	Cwt.	840	11.70	9,828	117
2006	77	76	10.0	Cwt.	760	16.60	12,616	166
2007	68	67	12.0	Cwt.	804	31.30	25,165	376
2008	55	55	11.0	Cwt.	605	38.90	23,535	428
Haylage 2/								
2005	-	92	10.05	Tons	925	31.00	26,675	312
2006	-	80	10.38	Tons	830	33.00	27,390	342
2007	-	90	9.39	Tons	845	37.00	31,265	347
2008	-	75	8.71	Tons	653	45.00	29,385	392
Potatoes, Fall								
2005	154	154	620	Cwt.	95,480	5.60	534,688	3,472
2006	156	155	580	Cwt.	89,900	6.25	561,875	3,625
2007	160	160	630	Cwt.	100,800	6.70	675,360	4,221
2008	155	155	600	Cwt.	93,000	7.95	739,350	4,770

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	Planted	Harvested						
	1,000 Acres				1,000 Units	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Dollars
Hops								
2005	-	21.0	1,878	Lbs.	39,470	1.86	73,413	3,496
2006	-	21.5	2,058	Lbs.	44,313	1.98	87,740	4,081
2007	-	22.7	2,049	Lbs.	46,605	2.94	137,020	6,036
2008	-	30.6	2,072	Lbs.	63,393	3.99	252,937	8,266
Alfalfa Hay 6/								
2005	-	450	5.20	Tons	2,340	112.00	262,080	582
2006	-	440	4.90	Tons	2,156	125.00	269,500	613
2007	-	440	5.20	Tons	2,288	148.00	338,624	770
2008	-	410	4.40	Tons	1,804	226.00	407,704	994
Other Hay 6/								
2005	-	290	3.00	Tons	870	121.00	105,270	363
2006	-	330	2.90	Tons	957	137.00	131,109	397
2007	-	350	3.00	Tons	1,050	152.00	159,600	456
2008	-	300	2.70	Tons	810	223.00	180,630	602
All Hay 6/ 7/								
2005	-	740	4.34	Tons	3,210	114.00	367,350	496
2006	-	770	4.04	Tons	3,113	128.00	400,609	520
2007	-	790	4.23	Tons	3,338	149.00	498,224	631
2008	-	710	3.68	Tons	2,614	225.00	588,334	829
Sugarbeets 3/								
2005	1.7	1.7	40.6	Tons	69	44.40	3,064	1,802
2006	2.0	2.0	37.0	Tons	74	39.50	2,923	1,462
2007	2.0	2.0	42.0	Tons	84	36.50	3,066	1,533
2008	1.6	1.6	41.9	Tons	67	3/	3/	3/
Peppermint								
2005	-	23.0	115	Lbs.	2,645	11.90	31,476	1,369
2006	-	24.0	115	Lbs.	2,760	12.30	33,948	1,415
2007	-	17.0	120	Lbs.	2,040	13.20	26,928	1,584
2008	-	16.0	120	Lbs.	1,920	15.20	29,184	1,824
Spearmint-All								
2005	-	9.5	135	Lbs.	1,283	10.70	13,728	1,445
2006	-	11.5	130	Lbs.	1,498	11.20	16,841	1,464
2007	-	12.7	150	Lbs.	1,905	12.60	23,911	1,883
2008	-	13.3	135	Lbs.	1,796	15.20	27,311	2,053
Spearmint-Native								
2008	-	8.2	141	Lbs.	1,158	15.10	17,486	2,132
Spearmint-Scotch								
2008	-	5.1	125	Lbs.	638	15.40	9,825	1,926
Other Field Crops 4/								
2005	-	180	-	-	-	-	112,050	623
2006	-	178	-	-	-	-	114,212	642
2007	-	181	-	-	-	-	132,721	733
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Total 5/								
2005	-	4,019.2	-	-	-	-	1,788,402	445
2006	-	4,007.5	-	-	-	-	2,063,166	515
2007	-	4,034.4	-	-	-	-	2,817,039	698
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Corn planted acres is "Planted for Grain and Silage."

2/ Includes all types of forage harvested or greenchop. Forage harvested as dry hay and corn and sorghum silage/greenchop not included.

3/ Relates to year of intended harvest in all States except CA. In CA, relates to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central CA and to year of planting for over-wintered beets in central and southern CA. The 2008 U.S. price and value will be published in "Agricultural Prices," July 31, 2009. State prices and values for 2008 will be published in "Crop Values," February 2010.

4/ Other Field Crops include oilseeds, vegetable seeds, grass seeds, buckwheat, triticale, and other minor field crops.

5/ Planted acres for State total includes harvested acreage for hops, hay, mint, corn silage, and other field crops.

6/ Baled hay.

7/ Estimated marketings of alfalfa and other hay used as weights to calculate all hay price.

8/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed.

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

10/ Excludes durum.

- Data not available.

CATTLE ON FEED, 1,000 HEAD + CAPACITY FEEDLOTS

ITEM	ID	WA	U.S. Total
	1,000 Head		
Cattle on Feed, Jan 1 1/	220	157	11,234
Placed on Feed, Jan	37	30	1,858
Fed Cattle Marketed, Jan	41	35	1,737
Other Disappearances 2/	1	1	67
Cattle on Feed, Feb 1	215	151	11,288

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

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



MILK COWS & PRODUCTION 1/

Item	Month /Year	ID	OR	WA	23 State Total *
Milk Cows 2/ (1,000 Head)	Jan 2008	534	114	243	8,451
	Dec 2008	554	115	244	8,521
	Jan 2009	554	115	243	8,509
Milk Per Cow 3/ (Pounds)	Jan 2008	1,870	1,685	1,965	1,741
	Dec 2008	1,820	1,590	1,900	1,722
	Jan 2009	1,820	1,680	1,910	1,746
Milk Production 3/ (Million Pounds)	Jan 2008	999	192	477	14,714
	Dec 2008	1,008	183	464	14,677
	Jan 2009	1,008	193	464	14,855

* Twenty-three states: AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, TX, VT, VA, WA, & WI.

1/ December 2008 revised.

2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

SELECTED STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Commodity	January 31, 2008	December 31, 2008	January 31, 2009
	1,000 Pounds		
Apples, Fresh			
California	30,603	63,480	36,941
Michigan	171,502	269,035	206,779
New York	422,772	462,882	395,766
Oregon	23,442	30,535	26,650
Pennsylvania	181,692	170,205	143,976
Washington	2,842,602	3,928,134	3,348,030
Regular Storage	498,324	789,434	601,140
Controlled Atmosphere	3,375,172	4,458,611	3,804,128
48 States Total	3,873,496	5,248,045	4,405,268
Potatoes, French Fries			
Mountain 1/	185,088	178,763	176,320
Pacific 2/	406,889	351,190	383,266
48 States Total	878,496	874,095	932,701
Potatoes, Total			
Mountain 1/	251,239	259,734	259,850
Pacific 2/	460,496	398,920	433,594
48 States Total	1,089,088	1,098,580	1,164,434

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

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

