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FARM LABOR HIRED WORKERS, WAGE RATES, PACIFIC REGION & UNITED STATES 1/2/3/

Month/ Year	Number of Workers			Hours Worked								
	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						
Apr	61	138	680	38.0	43.9	40.1						
Jul	117	170	875	40.4	*45.6	*39.7						
Oct	99	157	807	38.0	42.1	39.0						
	WAGE RATES											
Month/ Year	Field			Livestock			Field & Livestock			All		
	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	9.80	9.96	9.48	10.95	10.27	10.25	10.09	10.08	11.40	11.15	10.93
Apr	10.67	9.96	9.99	12.09	10.85	10.25	10.80	10.14	10.07	11.55	11.07	10.84
Jul	10.93	10.10	10.04	11.77	*11.30	*10.05	11.00	*10.30	10.04	11.43	*11.08	*10.66
Oct	11.07	10.25	10.25	10.42	11.05	10.23	11.00	10.40	10.24	11.82	11.25	10.91

* Revised.

1/ Pacific Region includes Washington and Oregon.

2/ United States excludes Alaska.

3/ Excludes agricultural service workers.

4/ The January 2007 Farm Labor Survey was not conducted

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

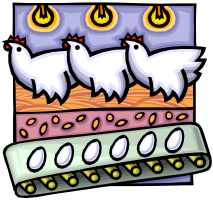
CATTLE ON FEED, 1,000 HEAD CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, NOVEMBER 1, 2009

ITEM	IDAHO	WASHINGTON	U.S. TOTAL
	1,000 Head		
Cattle on Feed, Oct. 1 1/	205	147	10,474
Placed on Feed During Oct.	50	38	2,474
Fed Cattle Marketed During Oct.	44	29	1,755
Other Disappearances during Oct. 2/	1	1	59
Cattle on Feed, Nov. 1 1/	210	155	11,134

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 losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION



Washington's egg production totaled 148 million during October 2009, 11 million more than the 137 million produced in 2008. All layers in Washington during October 2009 totaled 6.22 million, up 6.4 percent from a year ago. Three percent of the layers in Washington were being molted as of November 1, while 37.0 percent of all the layers had completed at least one molting in their lifetime. United States egg production totaled 7.69 billion during October 2009, up slightly from the 7.63 billion produced in 2008. All layers in the United States during October 2009 totaled 335.7 million layers, up slightly from a year ago.

LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION OCTOBER 2008-2009, SELECTED STATES

State & Year		All Layers 1/ Thousand	Eggs Per 100 Layers 1/ Number	Egg Production Million	November 1 2/	
					Being Molted	Molt Complete
					Percent	
California	2008	20,028	2,232	447	2.0	35.5
	2009	19,180	2,336	448	4.0	33.5
Indiana	2008	23,802	2,281	543	3.5	35.0
	2009	23,198	2,354	546	2.0	31.5
Iowa	2008	53,081	2,332	1,238	3.0	34.5
	2009	54,200	2,292	1,242	3.5	31.5
Ohio	2008	26,417	2,328	615	4.0	17.0
	2009	27,071	2,364	640	3.0	19.5
Oregon	2008	2,338	2,609	61	2.5	35.5
	2009	2,334	2,571	60	4.5	29.5
Washington	2008	5,852	2,341	137	6.5	28.0
	2009	6,226	2,377	148	3.0	37.0
United States						
	2008	334,937	2,277	7,625	2.1	22.7
	2009	335,674	2,292	7,692	2.2	21.8

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

2/ As of the first of the month.

Apples (Regular & Controlled Atmosphere) Stocks in Cold Storage, October 31

State	October 31					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
1,000 Pounds						
Washington	4,700,000	4,400,000	4,400,000	4,500,000	4,750,000	4,362,582
New York	352,590	279,846	362,376	560,406	558,222	525,756
Michigan	336,351	351,515	383,675	322,867	312,665	462,955
Pennsylvania	280,000	259,434	256,326	234,318	233,058	244,818
Other States	621,713	530,856	547,650	432,641	574,730	563,561
United States	6,290,654	5,821,651	5,950,027	6,050,232	6,428,675	6,159,672



COLD STORAGE

Washington State has always lead the United States in apple production and apple stocks. Over the past three decades, October 31 stocks have risen from slightly less than half of the U.S. total to around three quarters. October 31 apple stocks in Michigan, and Pennsylvania have remained fairly steady since 1970, but have risen in New York.

Total fresh apples in storage for the United States on October 31, 2009, totaled 6.16 billion pounds, (146.7 million boxes). The quantity in storage was down 4 percent from last year's level. Frozen French fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast States and eight Mountain States on October 31, 2009, totaled 602.5 million pounds, and accounted for 64 percent of the nation's French fries in storage.

SELECTED STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Oct. 31, 2008	Sep. 30, 2009	Oct. 31, 2009
1,000 Pounds			
Apples, Fresh			
Regular Storage	1,667,238	1,176,281	1,835,090
Controlled Atmosphere	4,761,437	2,049,697	4,324,582
U.S. Total	6,428,675	3,225,878	6,159,672
Potatoes, French Fries			
Mountain 1/	188,623	179,271	189,005
Pacific 2/	393,204	427,469	413,497
U.S. Total	957,150	932,227	947,555
Potatoes, Total			
Mountain 1/	278,867	234,898	256,365
Pacific 2/	449,925	479,599	465,093
U.S. Total	1,200,486	1,130,249	1,165,371

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

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

MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in Washington State during October 2009 totaled 466 million pounds, 4 million pounds less than in October 2008. September production, at 456 million pounds, was 10 million pounds lower than September 2008. Production per cow averaged 1,940 pounds for October, which was 20 pounds higher than 2008. The number of cows on farms in Washington was 240,000 head, 5,000 head less than October 2008.

Milk Cows & Production, October 2008 and September & October 2009

Item	Month/Year	Idaho	Oregon	Washington	23 State Total 1/
Milk Cows 2/ (1,000 Head)	Oct. 2008	554	115	245	8,512
	Sep. 2009	546	114	238	8,338
	Oct. 2009	546	114	240	8,316
Milk Per Cow 3/ (Pounds)	Oct. 2008	1,870	1,615	1,920	1,700
	Sep. 2009	1,850	1,595	1,915	1,675
	Oct. 2009	1,870	1,625	1,940	1,721
Milk Production 3/ (Million Pounds)	Oct. 2008	1,036	186	470	14,469
	Sep. 2009	1,010	182	456	13,965
	Oct. 2009	1,021	185	466	14,313

1/ AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, & WI.

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

3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

