



Idaho Red Meat Production Up 13 Percent

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Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for August 2001 totaled 59.3 million pounds, up 13 percent from last year. August production was up 12 percent from July's 53.1 million pounds. Accumulated red meat production for the January-August 2001 period totaled 420 million pounds, up 9 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Red meat production for the United States totaled 4.06 billion pounds in August, down 1 percent from the 4.12 billion pounds produced in August 2000. Beef production, at 2.42 billion pounds, was 1 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.24 million head, down 1 percent from August 2000. The average live weight was 1,228 pounds, up 2 pounds from the previous year. Pork production totaled 1.60 billion pounds, down 3 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.37 million head, 3 percent below August 2000. The average live weight was unchanged from the previous year, at 258 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 19 million pounds, was up 4 percent from August 2000. Sheep slaughter totaled 273,200 head, 4 percent below last year. The average live weight was 137 pounds, up 9 pounds from August a year ago. January-August red meat production was 29.9 billion pounds, 2 percent below the comparable figure a year earlier. Accumulated beef production was 4 percent lower than last year, pork was up less than 1 percent, and lamb & mutton was down 4 percent.

Commercial Red Meat Production: Selected States and United States ^{1/}

State	August 2000	July 2001	August 2001	August 2001 as a percent of ^{2/}	
				August 2000	July 2001
	----- Million Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
California	95.1	91.2	101.0	106	111
Colorado	189.8	179.3	202.9	107	113
IDAHO	52.5	53.1	59.3	113	112
Illinois	238.0	200.7	228.6	96	114
Iowa	510.3	443.6	505.1	99	114
Kansas	584.5	466.9	521.1	89	112
Minnesota	170.0	165.1	178.0	105	108
Montana	2.2	1.3	1.6	71	118
Nebraska	652.2	586.4	653.9	100	112
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	88	98
Oklahoma	77.9	72.6	81.9	105	113
Oregon	4.1	3.7	4.0	98	107
South Dakota	84.8	76.1	86.9	102	114
Texas	447.8	412.6	458.4	102	111
Utah	46.4	44.7	49.9	108	112
Washington	64.0	60.4	68.3	107	113
Wyoming	0.7	0.4	0.6	84	151
UNITED STATES	4,115.8	3,642.9	4,059.9	99	111

^{1/} Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

^{2/} Percentages based on unrounded data.

2000 Idaho Potato Crop Valued at \$609 Million

The final value of Idaho's 2000 potato crop was \$609 million, \$50.7 million below 1999's value of \$660 million. The market year average price received by growers, of \$4.00 per cwt., was below the 1999 level of \$4.95 per cwt.

Idaho's growers sold 137 million cwt. from their 2000 crop while using 1.19 million cwt. on the farm for seed, feed and household consumption. The remaining 13.7 million cwt. was lost to shrinkage, decay and dumping. Fresh market sales accounted for

37.8 million cwt. of the 2000 crop, up from the 1999 crop, while processing accounted for 82.6 million cwt., compared to 78.4 million cwt. in 1999.

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon used a total of 93.5 million cwt. of 2000 crop potatoes compared to 88.2 million cwt. used in 1999. Of the total processed, 82.6 million cwt. (88.4 percent) were Idaho potatoes. In 1999, Idaho potatoes made up 88.9 percent of the total processed.

Idaho Milk Production Up 7.2 Percent

Idaho milk production during August 2001 totaled 681 million pounds, up 7.2 percent from the same month last year, but equal to July 2001. Revised production for July 2001 totaled 681 million pounds, 2.2 percent less than the preliminary estimate, but 5.4 percent above July 2000. Average milk production per cow in August 2001 was 1,830 pounds, 40 pounds more than August 2000, but 10 pounds less than July 2001. The average number of milk cows in August was 372,000 head, 17,000 head more than in August 2000 and 2,000 head more than July 2001.

Nationally, August milk production in the 20 major States totaled 11.8 billion pounds, down 0.8 percent from production in these same States in August 2000. July revised production, at 12.0 billion pounds, was down 1.5 percent from July 2000. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,529 pounds for August, 4 pounds above August 2000. The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.74 million head, 82,000 head less than August 2000 and 7,000 head less than July 2001.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, August 2000-2001

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		2001 As Percent of 2000
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	
	---1,000 Head---		---Pounds---		---Million Pounds---		
Arizona	140	140	1,555	1,520	218	213	98
California	1,533	1,595	1,750	1,765	2,683	2,815	105
Florida	156	153	1,120	1,150	175	176	101
IDAHO	355	372	1,790	1,830	635	681	107
Illinois	120	115	1,400	1,370	168	158	94
Indiana	147	154	1,327	1,340	195	206	106
Iowa	215	207	1,510	1,475	325	305	94
Kentucky	132	128	1,015	1,045	134	134	100
Michigan	302	302	1,605	1,590	485	480	99
Minnesota	530	510	1,435	1,400	761	714	94
Missouri	153	144	1,130	1,025	173	148	86
New Mexico	255	268	1,730	1,770	441	474	107
New York	682	673	1,480	1,510	1,009	1,016	101
Ohio	263	258	1,390	1,400	366	361	99
Pennsylvania	619	598	1,485	1,480	919	885	96
Texas	348	322	1,185	1,140	412	367	89
Vermont	160	152	1,455	1,480	233	225	97
Virginia	120	118	1,250	1,270	150	150	100
Washington	247	247	1,940	1,945	479	480	100
Wisconsin	1,343	1,282	1,465	1,435	1,967	1,840	94
20 STATE TOTAL	7,820	7,738	1,525	1,529	11,928	11,828	99

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

Idaho Cattle on Feed up 5 Percent

Cattle on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on September 1, 2001 totaled 305,000 head, up 5 percent from the September 1, 2000 inventory of 290,000 head. The inventory was down 2 percent from the number on hand as of August 1, 2001.

Placements of cattle into State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 70,000 head, down 3,000 head from August 2000 placements. Marketings during August totaled 74,000 head, up 14,000 head from August 2000 marketings.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States from feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head to-

taled 10.87 million head on September 1, 2001. The inventory was 5 percent above September 1, 2000 and 14 percent above September 1, 1999. Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.20 million, 10 percent below 2000 and 9 percent below 1999. Net placements were 2.15 million.

During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 510,000, 600-699 pounds were 472,000, 700-799 pounds were 667,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 555,000. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 2.18 million, 1 percent below 2000 but 6 percent above 1999. Other disappearance totaled 54,000 during August, 10 percent above 2000 but 2 percent below 1999.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ^{1/}

State	September 1, 2000	August 1, 2001	September 1, 2001		
			Number	As % of 2000	As % of August
		<i>---1,000 Head---</i>			<i>---Percent---</i>
Arizona	257	297	293	114	99
California	415	475	470	113	99
Colorado	1,070	1,060	1,020	95	96
Idaho	290	310	305	105	98
Iowa	330	325	310	94	95
Kansas	2,220	2,420	2,490	112	103
Nebraska	1,920	1,810	1,820	95	101
New Mexico	90	101	96	107	95
Oklahoma	375	390	395	105	101
South Dakota	128	154	140	109	91
Texas	2,760	3,000	2,990	108	100
Washington	204	229	231	113	101
Other States	315	320	305	97	95
United States	10,374	10,891	10,865	105	100

^{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.

Frozen Potato Stocks Increase 1 Percent From 2000

Frozen stocks of french fries in the United States on August 31, 2001, totaled 955 million pounds, decreasing 6 percent from July 31, 2001, but increasing 3 percent from August 31, 2000. Other frozen potatoes, at 244 million pounds, decreased 10 percent from July stocks, and decreased 7 percent from last year.

United States stocks of butter on August 31, 2001, totaled 112 million pounds, down 23 percent from the end of the previous month but up 11 percent from August 31, 2000. Of this 112 million pounds, the government owned 1.07 million pounds. Stocks of American cheese totaled 508 million pounds, down 5 percent from July 31, 2001. The government owned 1.50 million pounds.

Commodity	Aug. 31, 2000	July 31, 2001	Aug. 31, 2001	2001	
				2000	Percent
				<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	
POTATOES:					
French Fries	923,398	1,011,697	955,040		103
Other Frozen	262,309	270,886	243,781		93
Total	1,185,707	1,282,583	1,198,821		101
DAIRY PRODUCTS:					
Butter, Total	101,328	145,486	112,262		111
(Gov't Owned)	388	815	1,065		274
Natural Cheese					
American, Total	609,658	535,889	507,548		83
(Gov't Owned)	402	1,600	1,495		372

September 1 Hop Stocks Up Over a Year Ago

The inventory of hops held by growers, dealers, and brewers on September 1, 2001, totaled 54.0 million pounds, 13 percent above September 1, 2000, but the same as two years ago.

Stocks held by brewers, at 38.0 million pounds, were 1 percent greater than last year but 4 percent less than September 1, 1999. Stocks held by growers and dealers on September 1, 2001, were 16.0 million pounds, up 52 percent from the stocks on hand for September 1, 2000, but only 10 percent more than the September 1, 1999 level.

