



Idaho Milk Production Up 7.5 Percent

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Idaho milk production during September 2001 totaled 658 million pounds, a 7.5 percent increase from the same month last year, but down 3.4 percent from August 2001. Production for August 2001 totaled 681 million pounds, unchanged from the preliminary estimate, but up 7.2 percent from August 2000. Average milk production per cow in September 2001 was 1,770 pounds, 50 pounds more than September 2000, but 60 pounds less than August 2001. The average number of milk cows in September was 372,000 head, 16,000 more than in September 2000, but unchanged from August 2001.

Nationally, September milk production in the 20 major States totaled 11.4 billion pounds, down 0.7 percent from production in these same States in September 2000. August revised production at 11.8 billion pounds, was down 1.3 percent from August 2000. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,471 pounds for September, 7 pounds above September 2000. The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.73 million head, 91,000 head less than September 2000 and 8,000 head less than August 2001.

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

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		2001 As Percent of 2000
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		
Arizona	140	140	1,520	1,545	213	216	101
California	1,540	1,601	1,685	1,700	2,595	2,722	105
Florida	157	152	1,070	1,105	168	168	100
IDAHO	356	372	1,720	1,770	612	658	108
Illinois	120	115	1,350	1,345	162	155	96
Indiana	148	154	1,275	1,320	189	203	107
Iowa	215	206	1,450	1,430	312	295	95
Kentucky	132	127	980	985	129	125	97
Michigan	300	301	1,515	1,520	455	458	101
Minnesota	530	510	1,380	1,360	731	694	95
Missouri	153	142	1,080	1,020	165	145	88
New Mexico	258	270	1,645	1,700	424	459	108
New York	678	670	1,410	1,410	956	945	99
Ohio	264	257	1,360	1,370	359	352	98
Pennsylvania	619	596	1,420	1,450	879	864	98
Texas	346	319	1,145	1,115	396	356	90
Vermont	159	152	1,410	1,435	224	218	97
Virginia	119	118	1,220	1,220	145	144	99
Washington	247	247	1,845	1,840	456	454	100
Wisconsin	1,339	1,280	1,405	1,360	1,881	1,741	93
20 STATE TOTAL	7,820	7,729	1,464	1,471	11,451	11,372	99

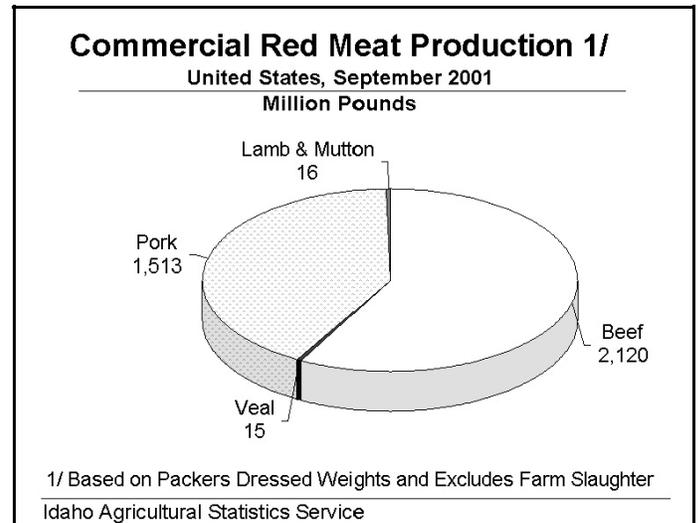
1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

IDAHO RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 16 PERCENT

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for September 2001 totaled 56.0 million pounds, up 16 percent from last year. September production was down 6 percent from August's 59.3 million pounds. Accumulated red meat production for the January-September 2001 period totaled 475.5 million pounds, up 9 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

The average live weight was 135 pounds, up 5 pounds from September a year ago. January-September red meat production was 33.6 billion pounds, 3 percent below the previous year. Accumulated beef production was 4 percent lower than last year, pork was virtually unchanged, and lamb & mutton was down 4 percent.

Red meat production for the United States totaled 3.66 billion pounds in September, down 5 percent from the 3.86 billion pounds produced in September 2000. Beef production, at 2.12 billion pounds, was 7 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.81 million head, down 7 percent from September 2000. The average live weight was 1,240 pounds, up 9 pounds from the previous year. Pork production totaled 1.51 billion pounds, down 3 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 7.81 million head, 4 percent below September 2000. The average live weight was 3 pounds above the previous year, at 262 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 16 million pounds, was down 6 percent from September 2000. Sheep slaughter totaled 243,300 head, 10 percent below last year.



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

State	September 2000	August 2001	September 2001	September 2001 As Percent Of ^{2/}	
				September 2000	August 2001
	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
California	88.8	101.0	88.8	100	88
Colorado	185.5	202.9	179.7	97	89
IDAHO	48.1	59.3	56.0	116	94
Illinois	228.6	228.6	219.6	96	96
Iowa	483.0	505.1	481.1	100	95
Kansas	538.1	521.1	445.7	83	86
Minnesota	161.7	178.0	170.4	105	96
Montana	1.9	1.6	1.2	64	77
Nebraska	609.2	653.9	614.1	101	94
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	142	126
Oklahoma	69.4	81.9	75.3	109	92
Oregon	3.6	4.0	3.4	97	87
South Dakota	75.9	86.9	83.3	110	96
Texas	430.9	458.4	372.8	87	81
Utah	43.4	49.9	42.6	98	85
Washington	55.3	68.3	48.3	87	71
Wyoming	0.5	0.6	0.3	69	57
UNITED STATES	3,862.9	4,059.9	3,664.4	95	90

1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton. 2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.

Idaho Cattle on Feed Unchanged

Cattle on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on October 1, 2001 totaled 310,000 head, the same as the October 1, 2000 inventory. The inventory was up 2 percent from the number on hand as of September 1, 2001.

Placements of cattle into State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during September totaled 72,000 head, down 3,000 head from September 2000 placements. Marketings during September totaled 66,000 head, up 13,000 head from September 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 totaled 11.1 million head on October 1, 2001. The inventory was 1 percent above October 1, 2000 and 8 percent above

October 1, 1999. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.14 million, 20 percent below 2000 and 23 percent below 1999. Net placements were 2.09 million.

During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 528,000, 600-699 pounds were 447,000, 700-799 pounds were 559,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 602,000. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.82 million, 9 percent below 2000 and 7 percent below 1999. Other disappearance totaled 46,000 during September, 15 percent below 2000 and 26 percent below 1999.

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

State	October 1, 2000	September 1, 2001	October 1, 2001		
			Number	As % of 2000	As % of September
	---1,000 Head---		---Percent---		
Arizona	272	293	298	110	102
California	420	470	465	111	99
Colorado	1,170	*1,010	1,060	91	105
Idaho	310	305	310	100	102
Iowa	340	310	310	91	100
Kansas	2,300	2,490	2,540	110	102
Nebraska	2,100	1,820	1,950	93	107
New Mexico	96	96	97	101	101
Oklahoma	400	395	390	98	99
South Dakota	145	140	136	94	97
Texas	2,900	2,990	2,990	103	100
Washington	228	231	244	107	106
Other States	335	305	335	100	110
United States	11,016	*10,855	11,125	101	102

^{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. *Revised.

Frozen Potato Stocks Up 2 Percent From 2000

Frozen stocks of french fries in the United States on September 30, 2001, totaled 1.07 billion pounds, an increase of 12 percent from August 31, 2001 and up 3 percent from September 30, 2000. Other frozen potatoes, at 252 million pounds, increased 3 percent from August stocks, and increased slightly from last year.

United States stocks of butter on September 30, 2001, totaled 104 million pounds, down 8 percent from the end of the previous month, but up 22 percent from September 30, 2000. Of this 104 million pounds, the government owned 514 thousand pounds. Stocks of American cheese totaled 501 million pounds, down 1 percent from August 31, and down 13 percent from last year. The government owned 1.59 million pounds, a small percentage of the total stocks.

Commodity	Sept. 30,	Aug. 31,	Sept. 30,	2001
	2000	2001	2001	2000
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>
POTATOES				
French Fries	1,040,832	952,418	1,071,311	103
Other Frozen	250,630	245,128	251,607	100
Total	1,291,462	1,197,546	1,322,918	102
DAIRY				
Butter	84,991	113,288	104,058	122
(Gov't Owned)	375	1,065	514	137
Natural Cheese				
American, Total	577,073	506,619	501,374	87
(Gov't Owned)	607	1,575	1,591	262

Selected Crops: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Idaho & U.S., 2000-01

State	Area Harvested ^{1/}		Unit	Yield		Production	
	2000	2001		2000	2001	2000	2001
IDAHO	<i>Thousand Acres</i>					Thousands	
All Hay	1,390	1,420	Tons	3.81	3.26	5,292	4,624
Alfalfa Hay	1,130	1,120	Tons	4.20	3.70	4,746	4,144
Sugarbeets	191	195	Tons	29.3	25.5	5,596	4,973
Dry Beans ^{2/}	88	73	Cwt.	1,950	1,850	1,716	1,351
UNITED STATES							
All Hay	59,854	63,833	Tons	2.54	2.54	152,183	162,303
Alfalfa Hay	23,077	23,750	Tons	3.48	3.44	80,347	81,628
Sugarbeets	1,374.3	1,330.9	Tons	23.6	21.3	32,436	28,349
Dry Beans ^{2/}	1,606.4	1,317.3	Cwt.	1,646	1,472	26,440	19,396

1/ Harvested for principal use of each crop, i.e., beans, dry hay, etc. 2/ Yield in pounds.