

Idaho Milk Production Up 7.4 Percent

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Idaho milk production during November 2001 totaled 635 million pounds, a 7.4 percent increase from the same month last year, but 5.5 percent less than October 2001. Revised production for October 2001 totaled 672 million pounds, up 7.2 percent from October 2000 and 0.6 percent above the preliminary estimate. Average milk production per cow in November 2001 was 1,720 pounds, 50 pounds more than November 2000, but 100 pounds below October 2001. The average number of milk cows in November was 369,000 head, unchanged from last month, but 15,000 more than in November 2000.

Nationally, November milk production in the 20 major States totaled 11.4 billion pounds, up 0.4 percent from production in these same States in November 2000. October revised production, at 11.7 billion pounds, was down 0.7 percent from October 2000. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,480 pounds for November, 21 pounds above November 2000. The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.73 million head, 78,000 head less than November 2000, but 8,000 head more than October 2001.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, November 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	1,550	1,650	217	231	106
California	1,550	1,611	1,670	1,690	2,589	2,723	105
Florida	156	152	1,200	1,185	187	180	96
IDAHO	354	369	1,670	1,720	591	635	107
Illinois	118	115	1,390	1,375	164	158	96
Indiana	148	155	1,320	1,345	195	208	107
Iowa	215	206	1,450	1,485	312	306	98
Kentucky	131	125	1,010	1,015	132	127	96
Michigan	299	299	1,540	1,525	460	456	99
Minnesota	525	500	1,405	1,380	738	690	93
Missouri	151	141	1,170	1,080	177	152	86
New Mexico	261	278	1,580	1,675	412	466	113
New York	673	670	1,375	1,440	925	965	104
Ohio	264	256	1,325	1,360	350	348	99
Pennsylvania	616	596	1,425	1,460	878	870	99
Texas	345	316	1,225	1,235	423	390	92
Vermont	158	153	1,380	1,395	218	213	98
Virginia	119	118	1,270	1,270	151	150	99
Washington	248	247	1,765	1,780	438	440	100
Wisconsin	1,334	1,280	1,370	1,350	1,828	1,728	95
20 STATE TOTAL	7,805	7,727	1,459	1,480	11,385	11,436	100

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 December 1, 2001 totaled 340,000 head, up 5 percent from the December 1, 2000 inventory. The inventory was up 3 percent from the number on hand as of November 1, 2001.

Placements of cattle into State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during November totaled 74,000 head, 10,000 more than November 2000 placements. Marketings during November totaled 61,000 head, down 1,000 head from November 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 11.9 million

head on December 1, 2001. The inventory was slightly below December 1, 2000 but 1 percent above December 1, 1999. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.91 million, 5 percent below 2000 and 12 percent below 1999. Net placements were 1.83 million.

During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 655,000, 600-699 pounds were 588,000, 700-799 pounds were 381,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 284,000. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.80 million, 1 percent below 2000 and 1,000 head below 1999. Other disappearance totaled 80,000 during November, 24 percent below 2000 and 4 percent below 1999.

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

State	December 1, 2000	November 1, 2001	December 1, 2001		
			Number	As % of 2000	As % of November
		<i>---1,000 Head---</i>			<i>---Percent---</i>
Arizona	298	301	303	102	101
California	450	470	490	109	104
Colorado	1,230	1,170	1,160	94	99
Idaho	325	330	340	105	103
Iowa	395	340	350	89	103
Kansas	2,460	2,670	2,640	107	99
Nebraska	2,410	2,200	2,270	94	103
New Mexico	113	108	108	96	100
Oklahoma	415	395	385	93	97
South Dakota	200	171	195	98	114
Texas	2,970	3,080	2,990	101	97
Washington	247	258	260	105	101
Other States	435	370	400	92	108
United States	11,948	11,863	11,891	100	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 Potatoes Stocks up 1 Percent from 2000

Frozen stocks of french fries in the United States on November 30, 2001, totaled 1.07 billion pounds, down 3 percent from October 31, 2001, but up 2 percent from November 30, 2000. Other frozen potatoes, at 231 million pounds, were down 1 percent from October stocks and down 3 percent from last year.

United States stocks of butter on November 30, 2001, totaled 53.6 million pounds, down 44 percent from the end of the previous month but up 97 percent from November 30, 2000. Of this 53.6 million pounds, the government owned 341,000 pounds. Stocks of total American cheese totaled 439 million pounds, down 5 percent from October 31, 2001, and down 16 percent from November 30, 2000. The government owned 207,000 pounds of the American cheese stocks.

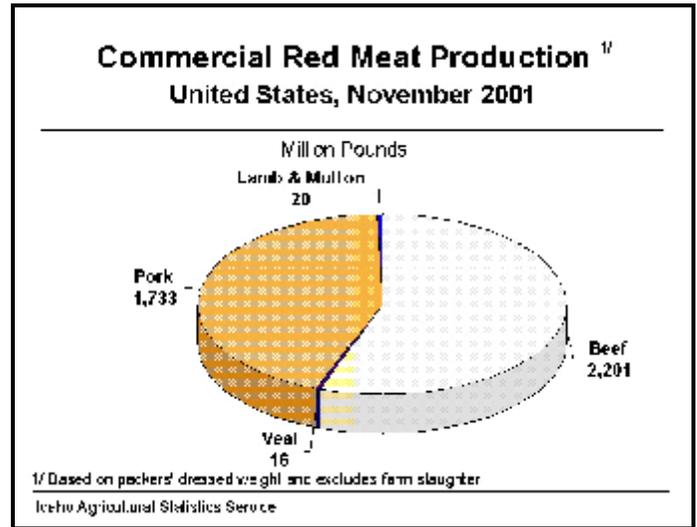
Commodity	Nov. 30,	Oct. 31,	Nov. 30,	2001
	2000	2001	2001	2000
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>
POTATOES:				
French Fries	1,048,737	1,105,469	1,068,221	102
Other Frozen	237,160	233,072	230,688	97
TOTAL	1,285,897	1,338,541	1,298,909	101
DAIRY				
Butter	27,280	95,791	53,634	197
(Gov't. Owned)	188	344	341	181
Natural Cheese				
American, Total	522,534	463,378	439,228	84
(Gov't. Owned)	706	911	207	29

Idaho Red Meat Production Up 6 Percent

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for November 2001 totaled 55.5 million pounds, up 6 percent from last year. November production was down 6 percent from October's 59.3 million pounds. Accumulated red meat production for the January-November 2001 period totaled 590 million pounds, up 9 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Red meat production for the United States totaled 3.97 billion pounds in November, up 1 percent from the 3.92 billion pounds produced in November 2000 and a new record high for November. Beef production, at 2.20 billion pounds, was 1 percent above the previous year and a new record high for November. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.90 million head, down 1 percent from November 2000. The average live weight was 1,255 pounds, up 25 pounds from the previous year. Pork production totaled 1.73 billion pounds, a new record high for November and up 1 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.72 million head, slightly below November 2000. The average live weight was 4 pounds above the previous year, at 269 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 20 million pounds, was down 3 percent from November 2000. Sheep slaughter totaled 287,000 head, 3 percent below last year.

The average live weight was 138 pounds, unchanged from November a year ago. January-November red meat production was 41.8 billion pounds, 2 percent below the previous year. Accumulated beef production was 3 percent



lower than last year, pork was up 1 percent, and lamb & mutton was down 3 percent.

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

State	November 2000	October 2001	November 2001	November 2001 As Percent Of ^{2/}	
				November 2000	October 2001
	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
Arizona	33.0	37.2	35.5	108	96
California	92.8	107.0	100.7	109	94
Colorado	163.9	191.6	172.1	105	90
IDAHO	52.2	59.3	55.5	106	94
Illinois	240.3	255.4	228.1	95	89
Iowa	535.6	576.9	553.6	103	96
Kansas	504.6	527.5	496.3	98	94
Minnesota	178.0	207.7	195.9	110	94
Montana	1.6	1.5	1.3	84	88
Nebraska	587.9	676.7	628.1	107	93
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	85	91
Oklahoma	85.3	91.3	87.7	103	96
Oregon	4.3	4.0	4.0	92	99
South Dakota	91.8	95.9	88.3	96	92
Texas	371.3	414.1	371.7	100	90
Utah	43.6	48.9	44.9	103	92
Washington	52.8	51.3	53.7	102	105
Wyoming	0.5	0.2	0.5	99	195
UNITED STATES	3,920.5	4,263.3	3,969.4	101	93

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

2001 Hop Production

Hop production for Idaho, Oregon, and Washington in 2001 totaled 66.8 million pounds, down 1 percent from 2000 crop of 67.6 million pounds, but 4 percent above the 1999 production of 64.5 million pounds. However, U.S. hop production is still below most of the crops of the 1990's, when production ranged from the mid to upper 70 million pounds. Whereas production in Washington and Idaho dropped 3 percent and 7 percent, respectively, Oregon's production increased 10 percent from a

year ago. The decrease in acreage for the 2001 crop was due to Washington's share, as both Oregon and Idaho showed increases in harvested acreage. Oregon exhibited yield improvements with 1,875 pounds per acre in 2001, 90 pounds more than 2000. Yields in Washington and Idaho were down in 2001. Washington showed a small decline, with 1,928 pounds per acre this year, 9 pounds less than last year. In Idaho, yields averaged 1,329 pounds per acre, a significant drop of 155 pounds from a year ago.

Hop: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price and Value, 1999-01

Year	Harvested	Yield per Harvest Acre	Production	Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value per Harvested Acre
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>\$ per Pound</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Idaho						
1999	3,362	1,408	4,734.0	1.61	7,622	2,267
2000	3,321	1,484	4,929.8	1.78	8,775	2,642
2001	3,469	1,329	4,609.3	1.61	7,421	2,139
Oregon						
1999	5,822	1,730	10,072.0	2.04	20,547	3,529
2000	5,819	1,785	10,387.0	2.20	22,851	3,927
2001	6,103	1,875	11,443.2	2.41	27,578	4,519
Washington						
1999	25,076	1,980	49,650.0	1.63	80,930	3,227
2000	26,980	1,937	52,260.0	1.81	94,591	3,506
2001	26,339	1,928	50,779.6	1.83	92,927	3,528
United States						
1999	34,260	1,881	64,456.0	1.69	109,099	3,184
2000	36,120	1,871	67,576.8	1.87	126,217	3,494
2001	35,911	1,861	66,832.1	1.91	127,926	3,562