

## 2003 Crop Values

**UTAH:** The preliminary value of principal crops including field crops, fruits, and vegetables produced in Utah during 2003 was \$284.5 million, up 6.1 percent from the 2002 crop year, according to the Utah Agricultural Statistics Service.

The 2003 all hay crop was valued at \$215.8 million, up \$5.4 million from 2002. The price per ton was down \$6.50 to \$88.00. Alfalfa hay was valued at \$194.0 million, down slightly from the 2002 value. The price per ton was \$89.00, down \$7.50 from the previous year. All other hay was valued at \$21.9 million, up 37.2 percent from the previous year. Oats, valued at \$1,156,000 was up slightly from 2002. The price of \$2.35 per bushel was down 20 cents from the previous year. Barley was valued at \$6.3 million, down 9.6 percent from the 2002 crop. The average price of \$2.25 per bushel was down 17 cents from 2002. The all wheat crop, at \$20.3 million, was down 10.7 percent. The price per bushel at \$3.65 was down \$1.00 from last year. Winter wheat was valued at \$18.5 million, down 8.3 percent from 2002. The average price per bushel for winter wheat was \$3.60, a decrease of \$1.00 from the previous year. Spring wheat was valued at \$1,840,000, down 29.5 percent from last year. The average price per bushel for other spring wheat, at \$4.00 per bushel, was down \$1.05. Corn for grain was valued at \$6.05 million, down 6.4 percent from the previous year. The average price per bushel, at \$3.00, was down 18 cents from 2002. Dry edible beans was valued at \$283,000, an increase of \$190,000 million from 2002. It was valued at \$17.70 per cwt, down \$.80 from 2002. All potatoes was valued at \$2.8 million, up 15.3 percent from 2002.

**UNITED STATES:** Nationally, the value of principal crops totaled \$106.1 billion, up 11.6 percent from 2002. The value of principal crops compared with 2002 is as follows: all hay \$12.3 billion, down 1.0 percent; alfalfa hay \$6.9 billion, down 3.8 percent; all other hay \$5.41 billion, up 2.9 percent; oats \$218 million, up 1 percent; barley \$765.8 million, up 26.8 percent; all wheat \$8.0 billion, up 40.1 percent; winter wheat \$5.57 billion, up 45.3 percent; other spring wheat \$2.0 billion, up 30.1 percent; corn for grain \$24.8 billion, up 18.3 percent; dry edible beans \$411.9 million, down 19.8 percent; and all potatoes \$2.7 billion, down 12.3 percent.

## U.S. Cold Storage Highlights

**Frozen food stocks** in refrigerated warehouses on December 31, 2003 were greater than year earlier levels for pork bellies, in-shell nuts and frozen eggs. Butter stocks were 19 percent below November 2003 and 37 percent below a year ago. **Total red meat supplies** in freezers were 6 percent above November 30, 2003 but down 13 percent from last year. Frozen pork stocks were up 7 percent from last month, and up slightly from December 31, 2002. Stocks of pork bellies were 48 percent above last month and 73 percent above a year ago. **Total frozen poultry supplies** on December 31,

2003 were up 5 percent from last month but down 13 percent from last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were up 7 percent from last month but 21 percent below last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers increased 1 percent from last month and were 6 percent above last year. **Public cooler occupancy** on December 31, 2003, was 43 percent of capacity, unchanged from last year. Public freezer occupancy was 56 percent, unchanged from a year ago.

### Stocks in Cold Storage, United States

Commodity	Dec 31, 2002	Nov 30, 2003	Dec 31, 2003
1,000 Pounds			
<b>Total Frozen</b>			
Eggs .....	13,525	14,909	18,055
Chicken .....	768,084	569,268	609,046
Turkey .....	333,047	350,668	353,267
Total Poultry	1,107,529	921,767	963,501
Cherries, Tart			
RTP .....	54,724	76,485	68,952
Juice .....	1,399	1,868	1,707

Cherries, Sweet . . .	7,934	7,426	6,658
Potatoes . . . . .	1,131,212	1,232,817	1,120,333
Beef . . . . .	524,641	373,770	395,894
Pork . . . . .	468,501	438,940	470,701
Lamb & Mutton	7,124	4,883	3,795
Total Meat . . . . .	1,011,471	828,066	879,813
<b>Total in Storage</b>			
Apples, Fresh . . . .	4,316,075	4,828,445	4,131,008
Butter . . . . .	157,820	122,544	99,570
Cheese, Natural . . .			
American . . . . .	493,262	467,226	492,310
Swiss . . . . .	21,784	24,083	27,158
Other Natural . . .	215,015	204,232	206,299

## U.S. Turkey Eggs in Incubators & Poult Placement

Turkey eggs in incubators on February 1, 2004, in the United States totaled 28.1 million, down 8 percent from February 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were 1 percent below the January 2004 total of 28.4 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central, down 11 percent; West North Central, down 2 percent; North and South Atlantic, down 17 percent; South Central, down 9 percent; and West, up 3 percent. The 23.3 million poult placements during January 2004 in the United States

were down 8 percent from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were down 1 percent from the December 2003 total of 23.4 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central, down 12 percent; West North Central, down 6 percent; North and South Atlantic, down 9 percent; South Central, down 5 percent; and West, down 9 percent.

### Eggs in Incubators: First of Month by Region and United States, February 2004 with Comparisons

Geographic Division	Feb 1 2003	Jan 1 2004	Feb 1 2004	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
E N Central	4,794	4,543	4,269	89	94
W N Central	11,292	10,521	11,034	98	105
N & S Atlantic	9,569	8,740	7,942	83	91
S Central	2,529	2,352	2,306	91	98
West	2,511	2,238	2,588	103	116
US	30,695	28,394	28,139	92	99

\*Revised.

### Poult Placements: Entire Month by Region and United States, January 2004 with Comparisons <sup>1</sup>

Geographic Division	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>

E N Central	3,849	3,588	3,381	88	94
W N Central	9,233	8,946	8,663	94	97
N & S Atlantic	8,258	7,543	7,475	91	99
S Central	2,073	1,890	1,960	95	104
West	1,976	1,457	1,794	91	123
US	25,389	23,424	23,273	92	99

\*Revised.

<sup>1</sup>Regional placements refer to poult placements from hatcheries located in that region, and not the actual location of the birds after placement.

Regional Listing:

North Atlantic: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT.

East North Central: IL, IN, MI, OH, WI.

West North Central: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD.

South Atlantic: DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV.

South Central: AL, AR, KY, LA, MS, OK, TN, TX.

West: AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.

## Manufactured Dairy Products

**UTAH:** Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) in December 2003, at 6.35 million pounds, was up 1.8 percent from December 2002 but down 2.6 percent from November 2003. **Hard ice cream** production totaled 1.85 million gallons, up 69.1 percent from December 2002 and up 20.6 percent from November 2003.

**UNITED STATES:** Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 753 million pounds, 0.8 percent above December 2002 and 6.0 percent above November 2003. **American type cheese** production totaled 319 million pounds, 0.4 percent above December 2002 and 8.8 percent above November 2003. **Butter** production was 114 million pounds in December, 10.4 percent below December 2002 but 30.0 percent above November 2003. **Hard ice cream** production totaled 54.4 million gallons, up 0.9 from December 2002, but down 6.1 percent from November 2003.

Manufactured Dairy Production -December 2003 with Comparisons

Product	Utah			United States		
	December 2002	November <sup>1</sup> 2003	December 2003	December 2002	November <sup>1</sup> 2003	December 2003
1,000 Pounds						
Total Cheese .....	6,241	6,522	6,352	747,161	710,378	753,134
1,000 Gallons						
Hard ice cream .....	1,095	1,536	1,852	53,903	57,908	54,362

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

## Livestock Slaughter

**UTAH: Commercial red meat production** totaled 32.7 million pounds in December 2003, 17.8 percent below December the previous year. **Cattle slaughter** in Utah for December 2003 totaled 42,800 head, 13.0 percent below a year earlier. The average live weight was 1,193 pounds, down 69 pounds from December 2002. **Hog slaughter** totaled 5,300 head, the same as December 2002. The average live weight was 228 pounds was up 36 pounds from the previous year. **Sheep and lamb slaughter** during December 2003 totaled 3,100 head, the same as a year earlier. Average live weight, at 128 pounds, was up 4 pounds from the previous year.

**UNITED STATES: Commercial red meat production** for the United States totaled 3.88 billion pounds in December, up slightly from the 3.86 billion pounds produced in December 2002. **Beef production**, at 1.97 billion pounds, was 6 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.67 million head, down 4 percent from December

2002. The average live weight was down 21 pounds from the previous year, at 1,244 pounds. **Veal production** totaled 19.0 million pounds, 6 percent above December a year earlier. Calf slaughter totaled 97,500 head, down 1 percent from December 2002. The average live weight at 322 pounds was 17 pounds above the previous year. **Pork production** totaled 1.87 billion pounds, up 9 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.35 million head, 8 percent above December 2002. The average live weight was 1 pound above the previous year, at 269 pounds. **Lamb and mutton production**, at 18.0 million pounds, was down 3 percent from December 2002. Sheep slaughter totaled 262,000 head, 6 percent below the previous year. The average live weight was 137 pounds, up 4 pounds from December the year earlier.

**Commercial Livestock Slaughter,  
December 2002-2003<sup>1</sup>**

Item	Utah		United States	
	December		December	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
<b>Production (Million Pounds)</b>				
Red Meat . . . .	39.8	32.7	3,858.2	3,876.0
<b>Number Slaughtered (Thousand Head)</b>				
Cattle . . . . .	49.2	42.8	2,771.8	2,668.2
Calves . . . . .	1	1	98.2	97.5
Hogs . . . . .	5.3	5.3	8,657.4	9,346.6
Sheep & Lamb	3.1	3.1	278.7	262.0
<b>Average Live Weight (Pounds)</b>				
Cattle . . . . .	1,262	1,193	1,265	1,244
Calves . . . . .	1	1	305	322
Hogs . . . . .	192	228	268	269
Sheep & Lamb	124	128	133	137

<sup>1</sup> Missing data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**January Milk Production Down 0.9 Percent**

**Milk production** in the 20 major States during January totaled 12.5 billion pounds, down 0.9 percent from January 2003. December revised production, at 12.3 billion pounds, was down 0.2 percent from December 2002. The December revision represented an increase of 0.5 percent or 62 million pounds from last month's preliminary

production estimate. **Production per cow** in the 20 major States averaged 1,620 pounds for January, 5 pounds above January 2003. **The number of cows** on farms in the 20 major States was 7.72 million head, 92,000 head less than January 2003, but 5,000 head more than December 2003.

### Milk Cows and Production: By State, January 2003-2004

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change From 2003
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Pounds	Pounds	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Percent
AZ	155	155	1,970	2,015	305	312	2.3
CA	1,672	1,702	1,790	1,755	2,993	2,987	-0.2
FL	147	140	1,360	1,395	200	195	-2.5
ID	392	412	1,800	1,800	706	742	5.1
IL	114	108	1,580	1,610	180	174	-3.3
IN	146	145	1,710	1,715	250	249	-0.4
IA	207	196	1,595	1,600	330	314	-4.8
KY	120	112	1,115	1,090	134	122	-9.0
MI	302	301	1,765	1,780	533	536	0.6
MN	480	465	1,520	1,515	730	704	-3.6
MO	134	125	1,240	1,265	166	158	-4.8
NM	314	325	1,720	1,760	540	572	5.9
NY	675	658	1,515	1,495	1,023	984	-3.8
OH	260	258	1,445	1,450	376	374	-0.5
PA	590	563	1,540	1,500	909	845	-7.0
TX	320	317	1,505	1,660	482	526	9.1
VT	153	146	1,495	1,530	229	223	-2.6
VA	116	105	1,365	1,380	158	145	-8.2
WA	248	240	1,910	1,915	474	460	-3.0
WI	1,265	1,245	1,500	1,510	1,898	1,880	-0.9
20-State Total	7,810	7,718	1,615	1,620	12,616	12,502	-0.9

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.