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Planting was finished ahead of schedule due to the warmer than normal temperatures. Barley and wheat were planted two weeks ahead of schedule. Some counties had to replant winter wheat due to lack of precipitation. Livestock were released onto spring pastures. Frost protection was needed for fruit crops due to the cooler night time temperatures. Franklin County lost 80-85 percent of their stone fruit. There was also some winter damage to cherries and pears in Douglas and Chelan Counties. Vegetable planting began for potatoes, sweet corn, asparagus etc. Overall, April brought very little precipitation just like the month of March. Producers were concerned about the drought like conditions and were worried about having a very dry summer.

FLORICULTURE

Number of Growers, Growing Area, & Wholesale Value, Washington, 2002-2003

Year	Total Number of Growers	Covered Greenhouses			
		Glass	Fiberglass	Film Plastic	Total
1,000 Square Feet					
2002	265	2,244	653	7,356	10,253
2003	253	2,173	606	7,130	9,909

Year	Shade & Temporary Cover	Total Covered Area	Open Ground	Expanded Wholesale Value of Reported Crops 1/
1,000 Square Feet		Acres		\$1,000
2002	278	10,531	1,675	99,066
2003	940	10,849	1,721	103,575

1/ Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000. The value of sales for growers below the \$100,000 level was estimated by multiplying the number of growers in each size group by the mid-point of each dollar value range.

Chickens & Eggs: Production & Income, Washington, 1994-2003 1/

Year	Chickens					Eggs		
	Number Lost 2/	Number Sold For Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price Per Pound	Value of Sales	Eggs Produced	Price Per Dozen 3/	Value of Production
			1,000	Cents	1,000 Dollars	Millions	Cents	1,000 Dollars
1994	620	3,800	13,680	2.0	274	1,371	73.0	83,403
1995	1,090	3,500	12,950	2.0	259	1,455	76.9	93,241
1996	1,170	3,200	11,200	2.0	224	1,412	76.4	89,897
1997	1,000	3,000	10,200	2.0	204	1,379	65.3	75,024
1998	648	3,209	10,911	2.0	218	1,394	59.4	69,023
1999	643	3,094	10,520	1.0	105	1,312	54.0	59,031
2000	671	2,683	9,122	1.0	91	1,306	54.9	59,759
2001	716	2,723	9,531	0.1	10	1,339	56.0	62,501
2002	569	2,272	7,498	0.1	7	1,369	48.6	55,445
2003	696	2,285	8,226	0.1	8	1,307	64.6	70,360

1/ Estimates cover the 12 month period December 1, previous year through November 30, and excludes broilers.

2/ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during the 12-month period.

3/ Average of all eggs, including hatching eggs.

LIVESTOCK: BALANCE SHEET, WASHINGTON, 2002-2003 * 5/

Livestock & Year	Beginning Inventory	Births	Inshipments	Marketings 1/		Farm Slaughter 2/	Deaths		Ending Inventory
	1,000 Head								
Cattle & Calves 3/		Calves		Cattle	Calves		Cattle	Calves	
2002 *	1,130	450	290	700	16	10	20	24	1,100
2003	1,100	455	170	540	13	9	19	24	1,120
Sheep & Lambs 3/		Lambs		Sheep	Lambs		Sheep	Lambs	
2002 6/ *	56	59	4.5	6.0	52.0	1	2.5	3.0	55
2003 6/	55	55	1.4	9.4	50.0	1	3.0	2.0	46
Hogs & Pigs 4/		Pigs		Hogs/Pigs			Hogs/Pigs		
2002 *	27	42	3.4	40.4		1.5	1.5		29
2003	29	38	3.5	40.7		1.5	1.3		27

* 2002 Revised.

1/ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within the state.

2/ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

3/ Inventory runs from January 1 current year to January 1 following year.

4/ Includes new crop lambs. 5/ Inventory runs from December 1 previous year to December 1 current year.

5/ Balance sheet estimates; the sum of beginning inventory, calf crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and ending inventory.

6/ Inventory includes new crop lambs.

LIVESTOCK: PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, & INCOME, WASHINGTON

Livestock & Year	Production 1/	Marketings 2/	Price Per Cwt.		Value of Production 6/	Cash Receipts 3/ 6/	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars			
Cattle & Calves 4/			Cattle	Calves				
2002 *	663,388	880,440	69.70	82.90	451,016	614,385	6,645	621,030
2003	573,726	668,620	83.80	97.30	475,522	560,900	7,272	568,172
Sheep & Lambs 4/			Sheep	Lambs				
2002 *	5,082	5,325	28.60	69.00	3,236	3,359	253	3,612
2003	4,641	5,587	34.00	90.40	3,971	4,361	342	4,703
Hogs & Pigs 5/			Hogs/Pigs					
2002 *	9,437	9,138	36.40		3,461	3,414	290	3,704
2003	9,576	9,564	39.30		3,742	3,804	306	4,110

* 2002 Revised.

1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments.

2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the state.

3/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter.

4/ Inventory runs from January 1 current year to January 1 following year.

5/ Inventory runs from December 1 previous year to December 1 current year.

6/ Includes allowance for higher average price of state inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs.

MILK PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, & INCOME, WASHINGTON MILK COWS & PRODUCTION OF MILK & MILKFAT, 1999-2003

Year	Number of Milk Cows 2/	Production of Milk & Milkfat 1/				
		Per Milk Cow		Percentage of fat in All Milk Produced	Total	
		Milk	Milkfat		Milk	Milkfat
	1,000 Head	Pounds		Percent	Million Pounds	
1999	247	22,409	818	3.65	5,535	202.0
2000	247	22,644	827	3.65	5,593	204.1
2001	247	22,324	817	3.66	5,514	201.8
2002 3/	247	22,753	835	3.67	5,620	206.3
2003	245	22,780	834	3.66	5,581	204.3

1/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

2/ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh.

3/ 2002 Revised.

QUANTITY OF MILK USED AND MARKETED BY PRODUCERS, 1999-2003

Year	Milk Used Where Produced			Milk Marketed by Producers	
	Fed to Calves 1/	Used for Milk, Cream, & Butter	Total	Total Quantity 2/	Fluid Grade 3/
	Million Pounds				
1999	29	1	30	5,505	100
2000	35	2	37	5,556	100
2001	33	1	34	5,480	100
2002 4/	27	1	28	5,592	100
2003	27	2	29	5,552	100

1/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

2/ Milk sold to plants and dealers as whole milk and equivalent amounts of milk for cream. Includes milk produced by dealer's own herds and milk sold directly to consumers. Also includes milk produced by institutional herds.

3/ Percentage of milk sold that is eligible for fluid use (Grade A in most States). Includes fluid-grade milk used in manufacturing dairy products.

4/ 2002 Revised.

MILK & CREAM: MARKETINGS & INCOME, VALUE OF MILK PRODUCTION, 1999-2003

Year	Combined Marketings of Milk & Cream			Used for Milk, Cream, & Butter by Producers		Gross Producer Income 3/	Value of Milk Produced 2/ 4/	
	Milk Utilized	Average Returns 1/		Cash Receipts from Marketings	Milk Utilized			Value 2/
		Per Cwt. Milk	Per lb. Milkfat					
	Mill. Lbs.	Dollars		\$1,000	Million lbs.	\$1,000	\$1,000	
1999	5,505	14.90	4.08	820,245	1	149	820,394	824,715
2000	5,556	12.80	3.51	711,168	2	256	711,424	715,904
2001	5,480	15.00	4.10	822,000	1	150	822,150	827,100
2002 5/	5,592	12.00	3.27	671,040	1	120	671,160	674,400
2003	5,552	12.10	3.31	671,792	2	242	672,034	675,301

1/ Cash receipts divided by milk or milkfat in combined marketings.

2/ Valued at average returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream.

3/ Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption.

4/ Includes value of milk fed to calves.

5/ 2002 Revised.

PRICES

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMS BY FARM PRODUCTS (DOLLARS/UNIT)

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Prelim. Apr. 2004	Entire Month		Prelim. Apr. 2004	U.S. Parity Price
		Apr. 2003	Mar. 2004		Apr. 2003	Mar. 2004		
Washington				United States				
Wheat, All	Bu.	3.39	4.02	4.14	3.37	3.84	3.82	10.00
Wheat, Winter	Bu.	3.20	3.99	4.13	3.19	3.76	3.76	-
Wheat, Spring	Bu.	3.86	4.16	4.18	3.48	3.92	3.88	-
Barley, All	Bu.	2.69	2.48	2.46	2.85	2.79	2.73	6.68
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	2.34	2.75	2.87	6.73
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	1.98	1.62	1.63	3.92
Lentils 1/	Cwt.	-	-	-	-	20.80	20.40	-
Chickpeas, All 1/	Cwt.	-	-	-	-	25.40	-	-
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	18.70	21.10	21.10	51.90
Dry Edible Peas 1/	Cwt.	-	-	-	-	9.16	9.38	-
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	6.15	5.80	5.95	6.94	6.09	7.19	15.20
Potatoes, Processed	Cwt.	5.60	5.45	-	5.37	5.34	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 2/	Tons	107.00	92.00	88.00	92.90	81.80	89.60	-
Alfalfa (baled) 2/	Tons	102.00	80.00	80.00	96.50	85.90	92.70	-
Other Hay (baled) 2/	Tons	126.00	115.00	115.00	79.50	70.90	76.00	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.55
Apples, Fresh 3/	Lbs.	.228	.330	.325	.234	.307	.299	.526
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt.	-	-	-	74.50	83.40	85.30	170.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	78.80	87.90	89.70	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	98.90	115.00	116.00	227.00
Milk Cows 4/	Head	1,290.00	-	1,720.00	1,300.00	-	1,580.00	-
Broilers, Live 5/	Lbs.	-	-	-	.310	.470	.480	-
Eggs, Market 2/	Doz.	.580	1.140	.900	.518	1.000	.614	1.69
Milk, All Wholesale 6/ 7/	Cwt.	11.00	15.10	17.00	11.00	15.40	18.00	35.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	34.80	47.20	45.10	105.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	31.10	36.70	-	83.50
Lambs	Cwt.	-	-	-	93.70	104.00	-	201.00

1/ Monthly estimates began in July 2003.

2/ All prices are mid-month estimates.

3/ Equivalent packinghouse door returns for apples for CA, NY, and WA. Prices at point of first sale for other states.

4/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for January, April, July, and October.

5/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers for most states. Includes growers and contractors.

6/ March 2004 US butterfat test percent was 3.76 for all milk.

7/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.



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