



GEORGIA FARM REPORT

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HIGHLIGHTS				
Poultry Summary	Livestock Slaughter	Cold Storage	Agricultural Prices	Peanut Stocks
Pecans	Cattle Inventory & Calf Crop	Goats Inventory	Annual Crop Summary & Values	

EGGS IN INCUBATORS, UNITED STATES--JANUARY 1, 2008-2009

Item	2008	2009	% of Year Ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--
Chickens, Egg Type	35,828	36,665	102
Chickens, Broiler Type	677,028	630,209	93
Turkeys, All Breeds	31,601	29,664	94

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the monthly Turkey Hatchery Report].

POULTRY HATCHING AND PLACEMENT-- DECEMBER 2007-2008

Item	2007	2008	% of year ago	January thru December		% of year ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--		--Percent--
Pullet Chicks Placed Domestic (U.S.)^{1/}						
Broiler Type	7,248	6,580	91	87,391	86,041	98
Egg Type	245	199	81	2,982	2,979	100
Chicks Hatched - Broiler Type						
Georgia	125,585	117,499	94	1,480,806	1,438,023	97
United States	821,281	779,160	95	9,574,784	9,442,976	99
Chicks Hatched- Egg Type						
Georgia	2,105	2,090	99	26,283	25,434	97
United States	35,866	36,393	101	446,109	467,232	105
Turkeys Poult Placed^{2/}						
United States	24,091	23,020	96	98,141	88,402	90

Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the monthly Turkey Hatchery Report]. 1/ Domestic placements as reported by leading breeders includes expected pullet replacements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs. 2/ Accumulated turkey poult placed are September 1 to current month.

NUMBER OF LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING DECEMBER 2007-2008^{1/}

	Number of Layers		Eggs per 100 Layers		Total Eggs Produced	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	--Thousands--		--Number--		--Millions--	
GEORGIA						
Hatching	9,626	8,662	1,943	1,940	187	168
Table	9,586 ^{2/}	9,677 ^{2/}	2,323	2,301	225	225
Total Georgia	19,312	18,439	2,133	2,131	412	393
UNITED STATES						
Hatching	59,399	55,952	1,901	1,907	1,129	1,067
Table	285,566	285,005	2,330	2,355	6,654	6,712
Total U.S.	344,965	340,957	2,256	2,281	7,784	7,778

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report]. 1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above.

COMMERCIAL POULTRY SLAUGHTER^{1/}--NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2008

Item	Nov	Dec	% of Last Month	January to Date
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--
Young Chickens				
Georgia	92,865	103,592	112	1,310,571
United States	639,120	709,846	111	8,915,326
Mature Chickens				
Light Type, U.S.	4,439	5,527	125	69,672
Heavy Type, U.S.	6,135	5,949	97	84,384
Total U.S.	10,574	11,476	109	154,056
Percent Condemned Young Chickens	--Percent--			--Percent--
Georgia	0.75	0.79		0.91
United States	0.94	1.00		1.05

1/ Federally inspected slaughter data as collected by Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER--UNITED STATES,^{1/} DECEMBER 2007, 2008

Species	Number Slaughtered			Average Live Weight		Total Live Weight	
	2007	2008	2008 as % of 2007	2007	2008	2007	2008
	--Thousand Head--		--Percent--	--Pounds--		--Thousand Pounds--	
Cattle	2,647.9	2,671.3	101	1,302	1,303	3,434,170	3,467,891
Calves	61.0	94.1	154	288	245	17,371	22,708
Hogs	9,689.9	10,144.6	105	272	270	2,632,754	2,739,463
Sheep & Lambs	229.0	230.8	101	135	134	30,860	30,861

[Results from the U.S. Livestock Slaughter release]. 1/ Includes slaughter under Federal Inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

COLD STORAGE STOCKS--UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 30, 2008

Commodity	Dec 31, 2007	Nov 30, 2008	Dec 31, 2008	% Dec of 2007	% of Nov 2008
	--Thousand Pounds--			--Percent--	
Eggs, Frozen	14,652	21,261	22,763	155	107
Meats, Red	961,556	1,017,271	1,061,137	110	104
Beef, Frozen	482,509	474,926	481,741	100	101
Pork, Frozen	458,665	512,763	549,021	120	107
Poultry, Frozen	1,007,260	1,173,430	1,164,059	116	99
Peanuts, Shelled	251,651	242,894	266,625	106	110
Peanuts, In Shell	12,006	17,305	19,762	165	114
Pecans, Shelled	23,952	41,000	37,809	158	92
Pecans, In Shell	113,933	58,838	90,691	80	154

[Results from the monthly Cold Storage Report].

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS--JANUARY 15, 2009

Commodity	Price per Unit	Georgia			United States		
		Jan 2008	Dec 2008	Jan 15, 2009	Jan 2008	Dec 2008	Jan 15, 2009
Cotton	¢/Lb	63.70	64.80	54.60	61.50	51.90	47.40
Cottonseed	\$/Ton	153.00	193.00	191.00	170.00	220.00	214.00
Peanuts, In Shell	¢/Lb	20.70	20.70	22.90	21.60	21.70	23.30
Calves	¢/Lb	103.00	82.60	92.00	117.00	100.00	105.00
Beef Cattle ^{1/}	¢/Lb	62.20	53.70	59.40	87.30	79.80	80.50
Cows ^{2/}	¢/Lb	48.30	45.40	47.70	46.30	40.40	42.20
Steers & Heifers	¢/Lb	86.00	69.70	79.20	93.40	85.60	86.30

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ "Cows," "Steers and Heifers" combined. 2/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

INDEX NUMBERS--UNITED STATES, 2007-2009

Index 1990-92=100	2007	2008		2009
	Dec	Jan	Dec	Jan
Prices Received	135	144	135	137
Prices Paid	175	169	175	175
Ratio ^{1/}	77	85	77	78

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END, UNITED STATES--2008^{1/}

Month Ending	Farmer Stock	Shelled Peanuts ^{2/}	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total ^{3/}
--Thousand Pounds--					
Dec	3,591,838	461,885	54,123	614,307	4,260,268

[Results from the Peanut Stocks and Processing Report]. 1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 3/ Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts X 1.33.

**ALL PECANS: UTILIZED PRODUCTION, PRICE PER POUND, VALUE OF PRODUCTION,
GEORGIA AND UNITED STATES, 2006-2008**

State	Utilized Production			Price per Pound			Value of Production		
	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008
	--1,000 Pounds--			--Dollars--			--1,000 Dollars--		
GA	42,000	150,000	67,000	1.580	1.060	1.500	66,300	159,300	100,750
US	207,300	387,305	191,080	1.560	1.120	1.410	322,493	433,644	269,985

[Results from the January 1 Pecan Inquiry].

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, GEORGIA AND UNITED STATES, JANUARY 1, 2008-2009^{1/}

Class	Georgia			United States		
	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	--1,000 Head--			--Percent--		
Cattle and Calves	1,130	1,110	98	96,035	94,491	98
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	630	610	97	41,692	41,005	98
Beef Cows	553	536	97	32,435	31,671	98
Milk Cows	77	74	96	9,257	9,333	101
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	130	127	98	19,854	19,586	99
For Beef Cow Replacement	75	73	97	5,647	5,526	98
Expected to Calve	2/	2/	2/	3,414	3,357	98
For Milk Cow Replacement	22	23	105	4,415	4,410	100
Expected to Calve	2/	2/	2/	2,923	2,909	100
Other Heifers	33	31	94	9,793	9,650	99
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	46	48	104	17,163	16,774	98
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	34	35	103	2,207	2,184	99
Calves Under 500 Pounds	290	290	100	15,118	14,943	99
Cattle on Feed	3/	3/	3/	14,827	13,851	93
	2007			2008		
Calf Crop	530	500	94	36,759	36,113	98

[Results from the Cattle Report]. 1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Data not available. 3/ Other States include AL, AK, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, LA, ME, MA, MS, NH, NJ, RI, SC, and VT.

**ANGORA GOATS, MILK GOATS, MEAT AND OTHER GOATS AND TOTAL: NUMBER BY CLASS,
GEORGIA AND UNITED STATES, JANUARY 1, 2008-2009**

State	Angora		Milk		Meat and Other Goats		All Goats	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	--Head--							
GA	1/	1/	4,000	4,500	79,000	80,300	1/	1/
US	205,000	185,000	323,000	335,000	2,590,000	2,550,000	3,118,000	3,070,000

[Results from the Sheep and Goats Report]. 1/ Data not published.

GEORGIA ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY, 2008

Crop	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield per Acre	Unit	Production	Unit Price	Value of Production
	--1,000 Acres--				--1,000--	--Dollars--	--\$1,000--
Corn, grain	370	310	140	Bu	43,400	4.60	199,640
Corn, silage		45	18.0	Ton	810		
Cotton, lint	940.0	920.0	840	1/	1,610.0	0.635	490,728
Cottonseed				Ton	503	195.00	98,085
Hay		720	2.20	Ton	1,584	94.00	148,896
Oats	65	25	69.0	Bu	1,725	2.65	4,571
Peanuts	690	685	3,400	Lb	2,329,000	0.204	475,116
Rye	200	40	30.0	Bu	1,200	7.00	8,400
Sorghum, Grain ^{2/}	60	44	45.0	Bu	1,980	6.50	7,207
Sorghum, Silage		12	14.0	Ton	168		
Soybeans	430	415	30.0	Bu	12,450	9.20	114,540
Tobacco		16.0	2,100	Lb	33,600	1.700	57,120
Wheat	480	400	56.0	Bu	22,400	6.00	134,400
Apples ^{3/4/}		0.6	20,000	Lb	12,000	0.373	4,470
Blueberries ^{5/}		9.5	4,320	Lb	41,000	1.710	70,180
Grapes ^{3/4/}		1.2	2.92	Ton	3.5	1,130.00	3,950
Peaches ^{3/4/}		9.5	2.95	Ton	28	773.00	19,326
Pecans				Lb	67,000	1.500	100,750
Cabbage	6.6	6.5	320	Cwt	2,080	12.40	25,792
Cantaloups	4.6	4.5	275	Cwt	1,238	20.60	25,503
Cucumbers	11.0	10.5	195	Cwt	2,048	32.60	66,765
Onions	12.0	11.5	320	Cwt	3,680	29.50	108,560
Sweet Corn	25.0	23.0	170	Cwt	3,910	20.90	81,719
Tomatoes	4.3	4.2	200	Cwt	840	32.20	27,048
Watermelons	22.0	21.0	280	Cwt	5,880	8.90	52,332
Bell Pepper	3.5	3.4	180	Cwt	612	33.50	20,502
Squash	5.2	5.0	100	Cwt	500	28.50	14,250
Total	3,329.2	3,761.8					2,359,850.0

1/ Cotton yield pounds per acre; production 480 lb. bales. 2/ Price is per cwt. 3/ Bearing age acreage and utilized production. 4/ Yield based on total production. 5/ Yield based on utilized production.

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