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Value of Idaho's 2021 Agricultural Production Totals \$8.32 Billion

The value of Idaho's 2021 agricultural production was \$8.45 billion, up half a percent from the previous year's revised value of \$8.41 billion. The value of Idaho's crop production in 2021 was \$3.44 billion, down about 5 percent from 2020. The value of livestock production in 2021 totaled \$5.01 billion, up 5 percent from the previous year. The rankings of the top ten commodities remained unchanged from 2020.

Milk remains the leading agricultural commodity in the State with a 2021 value of \$3.07 billion, up 3 percent from 2020. This is the second highest value of milk production on record, with the highest being in 2014. Milk represented 37 percent of the total agricultural value compared with 36 percent in 2020. Cattle and calves remained in the second position and had a value of production totaling \$1.42 billion dollars in 2021, up 13 percent from 2020. Potatoes ranked third in 2021 with a record high value of production of \$1.12 billion, up 14 percent from the previous year and surpassing the previous record high value in 2019. Hay value of production was \$946 million, up 16 percent from 2020, fourth in the State ranking. Wheat rounded out the top five with a value of \$529 million, down 8 percent from the previous year. These five commodities had a combined value of \$7.08 billion, or 85 percent of the 2021 value for all commodities (excluding government payments). The same five commodities in 2020 had a combined value of \$6.61 billion, 79 percent of the total value. Sugarbeets, barley, corn for grain, hops, and onions rounded out the top ten.

In addition to potatoes, a record high value of production was established for hops. Value of hop production in 2021 increased for the ninth consecutive year to \$105 million, up 5 percent from the previous record in 2020. There were commodities outside the top ten that showed increases in value from the previous year. Honey production, with a value of \$7.11 million in 2021, increased 8 percent from the previous year. Three of the top ten commodities: wheat, sugarbeets, and barley declined in value from the previous year. Other notable commodities outside the top ten that declined in value in 2021 were dry edible beans, down 25 percent to \$40.3 million, and peppermint, down 8 percent to \$32.0 million.

Top Ten Agricultural Commodities – Idaho: 2019-2021

| Commodity | Rank | | Value of production | | | Change 2021 / 2020 |
|---|------|------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | |
| | | | (1,000 dollars) | (1,000 dollars) | (1,000 dollars) | (percent) |
| Milk ¹ | 1 | 1 | 2,860,656 | 2,987,608 | 3,069,044 | 2.7 |
| Cattle and Calves | 2 | 2 | 1,394,515 | 1,249,571 | 1,415,074 | 13.2 |
| Potatoes | 3 | 3 | 1,044,582 | 981,162 | 1,117,481 | 13.9 |
| Hay, all..... | 4 | 4 | 798,867 | 816,515 | 945,552 | 15.8 |
| Wheat, all..... | 5 | 5 | 497,252 | 576,185 | 528,946 | -8.2 |
| Sugarbeets ² | 6 | 6 | 327,542 | 364,014 | 360,636 | -0.9 |
| Barley, all..... | 7 | 7 | 276,702 | 270,600 | 239,410 | -11.5 |
| Corn for Grain..... | 8 | 8 | 137,453 | 124,176 | 148,680 | 19.7 |
| Hops | 9 | 9 | 89,266 | 99,703 | 104,964 | 5.3 |
| Onions, all..... | 10 | 10 | 65,815 | 57,737 | 63,959 | 10.8 |
| Value of crop production | | | 3,337,376 | 3,616,270 | 3,442,840 | -4.8 |
| Value of livestock production..... | | | 4,778,600 | 4,788,915 | 5,008,529 | 4.6 |
| Total value of production, all commodities..... | | | 8,115,976 | 8,405,185 | 8,451,369 | 0.5 |

¹ Value at average returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption and milk fed to calves.

² 2021 value published by ERS, revised on December 1, 2022.

Crop and Livestock Production and Rank Among All States — Idaho: 2020-2021

| Item and unit | Rank among States | | Idaho's production | | Leading State |
|--|-------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| | 2021 | 2020 | Total | Percent of United States | |
| | (rank) | (rank) | (number) | (percent) | |
| Field Crops | | | | | |
| Peppermint oil..... 1,000 pounds | 1 | 1 | 1,860 | 40.7 | Idaho |
| Barley..... 1,000 bushels | 1 | 1 | 44,500 | 37.1 | Idaho |
| Potatoes..... 1,000 cwt | 1 | 1 | 132,090 | 32.2 | Idaho |
| Hay, alfalfa..... 1,000 tons | 1 | 1 | 3,936 | 8.0 | Idaho |
| Sugarbeets..... 1,000 tons | 2 | 2 | 6,715 | 18.3 | Minnesota |
| Hops..... 1,000 pounds | 2 | 2 | 18,415 | 15.9 | Washington |
| Onion, dry..... 1,000 cwt | 4 | 4 | 7,412 | 10.8 | California |
| Wheat, spring..... 1,000 bushels | 4 | 4 | 30,555 | 9.2 | North Dakota |
| Lentils..... 1,000 cwt | 4 | 4 | 86 | 2.6 | Montana |
| Dry edible beans ¹ 1,000 cwt | 5 | 5 | 1,486 | 6.5 | North Dakota |
| Corn silage..... 1,000 tons | 5 | 6 | 7,540 | 5.8 | Wisconsin |
| Dry edible peas..... 1,000 cwt | 5 | 4 | 302 | 3.5 | North Dakota |
| Haylage..... 1,000 tons | 6 | 8 | 1,780 | 5.9 | Wisconsin |
| Wheat, all..... 1,000 cwt | 6 | 5 | 76,534 | 4.6 | Kansas |
| Wheat, winter..... 1,000 cwt | 8 | 5 | 45,440 | 3.6 | Kansas |
| Hay, all..... 1,000 tons | 8 | 9 | 4,552 | 3.8 | Texas |
| Livestock | | | | | |
| Cheese..... 1,000 pounds | 3 | 3 | 1,002,673 | 7.3 | Wisconsin |
| Milk..... million pounds | 3 | 3 | 16,412 | 7.3 | California |
| Milk cows ² head | 3 | 3 | 652,000 | 7.0 | California |
| Wool..... 1,000 pounds | 7 | 7 | 1,405 | 6.3 | California |
| Sheep and lambs ² head | 7 | 7 | 230,000 | 4.5 | Texas |
| Cattle and calves, all ² head | 11 | 11 | 2,550,000 | 2.8 | Texas |
| Honey..... 1,000 pounds | 12 | 9 | 3,000 | 2.4 | North Dakota |

¹ Clean basis.

² As of January 1, 2022.

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