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RED MEAT PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia - Commercial red meat production during February 2022 totaled 800,000 pounds. This was down 1 percent from February 2021. Commercial red meat production is the carcass weight after slaughter including beef, veal, pork, and lamb and mutton. Individual commodity production is total live weight of commercial slaughter.

Commercial cattle slaughter totaled 1,240,000 pounds live weight, down 3 percent from February 2021. Cattle slaughter totaled 1,100 head, down 100 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 46 pounds from the previous year, at 1,137 pounds.

Commercial calf slaughter was not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Commercial hog slaughter totaled 131,000 pounds live weight, down 29 percent from last year. Hog slaughter totaled 400 head, down 200 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 329 pounds.

Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter was not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

United States - Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.43 billion pounds in February, up 1 percent from the 4.39 billion pounds produced in February 2021.

Beef production, at 2.25 billion pounds, was 7 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.69 million head, up 6 percent from February 2021. The average live weight was up 5 pounds from the previous year, at 1,395 pounds.

Veal production totaled 4.2 million pounds, 10 percent below February a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 30,400 head, down 8 percent from February 2021. The average live weight was down 4 pounds from last year, at 243 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.17 billion pounds, down 4 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.94 million head, down 5 percent from February 2021. The average live weight was up 2 pounds from the previous year, at 293 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 9.2 million pounds, was down 14 percent from February 2021. Sheep slaughter totaled 143,400 head, 12 percent below last year. The average live weight was 128 pounds, down 4 pounds from February a year ago.

January to February 2022 commercial red meat production was 8.99 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2021. Accumulated beef production was up 2 percent from last year, veal was down 5 percent, pork was down 6 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 10 percent.

February 2021 contained 20 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays. February 2022 contained 20 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Note: Percent changes are based on unrounded data.

TROUT PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia - The total value of fish sold for 2021 was 895 thousand dollars, an increase of 7 percent from the 2020 total value of 840 thousand dollars.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold data during 2021 were withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. In 2020, fish sold totaled 350,000 fish, the average price per pound was
$2.45, and the value of sales for the 2020 marketing year was 840 thousand dollars. Other size categories are not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

The number of distributed trout 12 inches and longer during 2021 totaled 460,000 fish, down from 470,000 fish in 2020. The average value per pound was $3.21 in 2021, up from $3.13 per pound in 2020. The value of fish distributed totaled 1.45 million dollars in 2021, up from 1.41 million dollars in 2020.

The number of distributed trout 6” - 12” during 2021 totaled 480,000 fish, down from 500,000 fish in 2020. The average value per 1,000 fish was $241 during 2021, up from $211 in 2020. The total value of sales was $5.03 million, up 5 percent from the previous year. The major sales accounted for 52.4 percent of total sales.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer that were for recreational stocking during 2021 totaled 460,000 fish, down from 500,000 fish in 2020. The average price per pound was $3.13 in 2021, up 8 percent from the 2020 price. The total value of fish distributed totaled 139 million dollars, up 3 percent from 2020.

Trout losses of all trout intended for sale were 23 thousand fish during 2021, down 25,000 fish from the total of 48,000 fish in 2020.

The number of distributed trout 1” - 6” during 2021 totaled 260,000 fish, up from 185,000 fish in 2020. The average value per 1,000 fish was $873 in 2021, down from $1,500 in 2020. The value of fish distributed totaled 227 thousand dollars in 2021, down from 278 thousand dollars in 2020.

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United States - The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 97.3 million dollars for 2021, up 1 percent from 2020.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2021 totaled 26.3 million fish, up 2 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was $2.01, up 1 percent from the previous year. The value of sales for the 2021 marketing year was 90.0 million dollars, up 2 percent from 2020. For trout 12 inches or longer, 67.3 percent were sold to processors.

The number of 6”- 12” trout sold during 2021 totaled 4.89 million fish, down 28 percent from 2020. The average price per pound was $4.30 during 2021, up 18 percent from the 2020 price. The total value of sales was 6.16 million dollars during 2021, down 8 percent from the previous year. The major sales outlets for 6”-12” trout were for recreational stocking accounting for 52.4 percent of total sales.

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Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2021 totaled 298.2 million eggs. This was 3 percent up from the 2020 production of 290.3 million eggs.

The total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2021 (excluding commercial broilers) was 2.30 million head, up 6 percent from the 2020 total of 2.18 million.

The total value of all chickens on December 1, 2021 was $18.4 million, up 16 percent from the December 1, 2020 value of $15.9 million. The average value of $8.00 per head on December 1, 2021, was up $.70 per head from the 2020 value of $7.30 per bird.

United States - Layers during 2021 averaged 389 million, down 1 percent from the year earlier. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2021 was 285 eggs, unchanged from 2020.

Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2021 totaled 111 billion eggs, down 1 percent from 2020. Table egg production, at 95.6 billion eggs, was down 2 percent from the previous year. Hatching

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Charleston, West Virginia - Layers during 2021 averaged 1.27 million, up 1 percent from the 2020 average of 1.26 million. The average annual production per layer was 234 eggs, up 4 eggs per layer from the 2020 total of 230 eggs per layer. Pullets for 2021 totaled 825,000, up 6 percent from the 2020 total of 779,000. Other chickens totaled 112,000 in 2021, up 6 percent from the 2020 total of 106,000.
The total inventory of chickens on hand on December 1, 2021 (excluding commercial broilers) was 523 million birds, up 1 percent from last year.

The total value of all chickens on December 1, 2021 was $3.00 billion, up 16 percent from December 1, 2020. The average value increased from $4.99 per bird on December 1, 2020, to $5.75 per bird on December 1, 2021.

The total area harvested for floral hemp in the open for 2021 was estimated at 43,781 acres. The average yield for 2021 floral hemp in the open was estimated at 420 pounds per acre. Median yield was 100 pounds per acre. Price per pound was $120. The median price per pound was $300. The value of utilized floral hemp production in the open was $186.00 per ton, up $30.00.

The average price received per ton was $125.00. This was up $8.00 per ton from the 2020 average price of $117.00 per ton.

United States Value And Marketing Year Average Price With 2020 Comparisons

- Corn for grain value of production - $82.58 billion, up 28 percent; $5.45 per bushel, up $0.92.
- All wheat value of production - $11.90 billion, up 27 percent; $7.30 per bushel, up $2.25.
- Soybeans value of production - $57.48 billion, up 26 percent; $13.00 per bushel, up $2.20.
- All hay value of production - $19.28 billion, up 10 percent; $186.00 per ton, up $30.00.
- Alfalfa hay value of production - $9.69 billion, up 13 percent; $206.00 per ton, up $35.00.
- All other hay value of production - $9.58 billion, up 7 percent; $147.00 per ton, up $15.00.

Charleston, West Virginia - Data are now available from the first hemp acreage and production survey conducted by the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some West Virginia data were withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. Industrial hemp in the open: Planted area for West Virginia in 2021 for all utilizations totaled 65 acres. Area harvested for all purposes in the open totaled 43 acres.

Industrial floral hemp in the open: Floral hemp production grown in the open for 2021 was estimated at 18 thousand pounds. Utilized production was 17 thousand pounds. Area harvested for floral hemp in the open in West Virginia was estimated at 43 acres. The average yield for 2021 floral hemp in the open was estimated at 420 pounds per acre. Median yield was 100 pounds per acre. Price per pound was $120. The median price per pound was $300. The value of utilized floral hemp production grown in the open totaled $2.04 million.

Hemp under protection: In 2021, hemp growers used 21,371 square feet under protection for production. Other data were withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

United States - All industrial hemp: In 2021, the value of hemp production in the open and under protection for the United States totaled $824 million. Industrial hemp in the open: Planted area for the Nation in 2021 for all utilizations totaled 54.2 thousand acres. The value of hemp production in the open for the United States totaled $712 million. Area
harvested for all purposes in the open totaled 33.5 thousand acres.

**Floral hemp in the open**: United States floral hemp production grown in the open for 2021 was estimated at 19.7 million pounds. Area harvested for floral hemp in the open in the United States was estimated at 16.0 thousand acres. The average yield for 2021 floral hemp in the open was estimated at 1,235 pounds per acre. The value of floral hemp grown in the open totaled $623 million.

**Grain hemp in the open**: National production of hemp grown in the open for grain in 2021 totaled 4.37 million pounds. Area harvested for hemp grown in the open for grain in the United States was estimated at 8,255 acres. The average yield for 2021 hemp grown in the open for grain was estimated at 530 pounds per acre. The value of hemp grown in the open for grain totaled $5.99 million.

**Fiber hemp in the open**: In 2021, production of hemp grown in the open for fiber was estimated at 33.2 million pounds. Area harvested for hemp grown in the open for fiber in the United States was estimated at 12.7 thousand acres. The average yield for 2021 hemp grown in the open for fiber was estimated at 2,620 pounds per acre. The value of hemp grown in the open for fiber totaled $41.4 million.

**Seed hemp in the open**: Production of hemp grown in the open for seed in 2021 was estimated at 1.86 million pounds. Area harvested for hemp grown in the open for seed in the United States was estimated at 3,515 acres. The average yield for 2021 hemp grown in the open for seed was estimated at 530 pounds per acre. The value of hemp grown in the open for seed totaled $41.5 million.

**Hemp under protection**: In 2021, hemp growers used 15.6 million square feet under protection for production. The 2021 value of hemp production under protection in the United States totaled $112 million. Hemp clones and transplants grown under protection in the Nation for 2021 totaled 20.2 million plants. The value of hemp clones and transplants grown under protection totaled $23.8 million. United States production of floral hemp grown under protection was estimated at 310 thousand pounds. The value of floral hemp grown under protection totaled $64.4 million. Hemp grown under protection for seed totaled 4,059 pounds. The value of hemp grown under protection for seed totaled $23.7 million.