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POTATO STOCKS: Maine potato stocks on hand February 1, 2009 totaled 8.5 million cwt, 12 percent below 2008's February 1 holdings. Disappearance to February 1 in the state totaled 6.3 million cwt, compared with 7.0 million cwt a year earlier. Storage accounted for 58 percent of Maine's total production, compared with the previous five-year average of 61 percent. Of the stocks on hand February 1 in Maine, 59 percent were russet varieties, 37 percent were round whites, two percent were reds, and two percent were yellows.

The 13 major potato states held 183 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2009, down eight percent from a year ago and five percent below February 1, 2007. Potatoes in storage accounted for 50 percent of the 2008 fall storage states' production, unchanged from February 1, 2008. Potato disappearance, at 185 million cwt, was seven percent below February 1, 2008 and six percent below 2007. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 16.9 million cwt, was down eight percent from both the same date in 2008 and 2007. Processors in the nine major States have used 99.2 million cwt of potatoes this season, down seven percent from the same period last year and down eight percent from two years ago.

CATTLE AND CALVES: New England's cattle and calf inventory on January 1, 2009, totaled 498,000 head, up 1.2 percent from the previous year's inventory. Calves born in New England during 2008 totaled 214,400, up 0.5 percent from the 2007 calf crop. Value per head for New England was \$1,357 as of January 1, 2009, a decrease of 4.6 percent from last year. This value is 55 percent higher than the national value of \$874.

SHEEP AND GOATS: The New England sheep and lamb inventory on January 1, 2009 totaled 48,000 head, a decrease of 2,000 head from a year earlier. Breeding stock totaled 41,000 head at the first of the year, a decrease of four percent from the previous year. There were 36,000 lambs born on New England farms during 2008 compared to 37,000 lambs born during the previous year. At the beginning of 2009, there were 5.7 million sheep and lambs on the nation's farms, a three percent decrease from the previous year's total.

On January 1, 2009, the New England goat and kid inventory totaled 23,850 head, a decrease of 3,450 head from the previous year. Meat and other goats totaled 12,100 decreasing by 14 percent from the previous year. Despite the decrease, meat and other goats still accounted for over half of the goat and kid population within New England. Milk goats totaled 10,500, down nearly 13 percent from the previous year. Angora goats totaled 1,250 head decreasing slightly from the previous year. On January 1, 2009, there were nearly 3.1 million goats and kids on the nation's farms, a decrease of nearly two percent from the previous year.

ANNUAL CHICKENS: As of December 1, 2008, the New England (excluding Rhode Island) **chicken** inventory totaled nearly 9.2

million birds, a decrease of 524,000 birds from the previous year's count. Egg-laying hens (layers) accounted for 7.0 million birds, or 76.8 percent of the total inventory. Maine was the largest contributor to New England's chicken inventory, accounting for 54.7 percent of the total birds and 51.5 percent of layers. Total inventory value of all chickens within the five states was placed at \$27.6 million in 2008, \$2.0 million more than the 2007 value. These totals do not include chickens of meat-type strains (broilers) raised for commercial meat production.

ANNUAL MILK PRODUCTION: Milk production in New England during 2008 totaled 4.12 billion pounds, an increase of 1.7 percent from the 2007 total of 4.05 billion pounds. The average number of milk cows on New England farms totaled 222,600 head during 2008, an increase of 500 head from the previous year. Milk per cow increased from 18,217 pounds in 2007 to 18,495 pounds in 2008.

FARM NUMBERS: The New England farm count for 2008 totaled 32,970 farms, a loss of 100 farms from a year earlier. Of the total farm count, 63 percent, or 20,690 farms had less than \$10,000 in sales in 2008. Land in farms in the six-state region, at 4.02 million acres, was 30,000 acres below 2007. The decline in the number of farms and land in farms reflects a continuing consolidation in farming operations and diversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses. In New England, farm number reductions occurred in the state of Maine; farmland reductions occurred in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont. Maine accounted for the most land in farms in New England in 2008 with 1.35 million acres, followed by Vermont with 1.22 million acres. The average size of a farm in New England was 122 acres in 2008, ranging from 57 acres per farm in the highly populated state of Rhode Island to 174 acres per farm in the dairy state of Vermont.

Number of farms and land in farms were revised for 2007 at the U.S. and state level based on the Census of Agriculture. The Census of Agriculture, conducted every five years, provides a base from which the annual surveys measure the change from that base. At the end of this five-year cycle, the annual estimates are revised based on inter-census trends. The 2007 Census of Agriculture showed a significant increase in the number of farms, and reversed the downward trend that was shown in the annual estimates of Farm Numbers since the 2002 Census of Agriculture. NASS believes that some of the increase is due to methodological changes that allowed NASS to more accurately count small farms in the 2007 Census. For more information regarding revisions to the 2007 Census, please refer to the national release: *Farms, Land in Farms and Livestock Operations, 2008 Summary*. Revisions for 2003 – 2007 are available from *Farms and Land in Farms, Final Estimates 2003-2007*. Both publications were published in February, 2009 and are available online from the NASS website.

FIELD CROPS: Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 2007 – 2008

Crops and States	Area Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production		Price per Unit		Value of Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Fall Potatoes	1,000 Acres		Cwt		1,000 Cwt		Dollars per Cwt		1,000 Dollars	
Maine	56.5	54.7	295	270	16,668	14,769	7.90	9.20	131,677	135,875
Massachusetts	2.6	2.4	320	270	832	648	7.50	13.70	6,240	8,878
Rhode Island	0.6	0.5	300	285	180	143	8.55	12.90	1,539	1,845
NEW ENGLAND	59.7	57.6	296	270	17,680	15,560	7.89	9.42	139,456	146,598
Oats for Grain			Bushels		1,000 Bushels		Dollars per Bushel		1,000 Dollars	
Maine	28	31	70.0	65.0	1,960	2,015	2.25	2.90	4,410	5,844
Barley For Grain										
Maine	17	19	65.0	55.0	1,105	1,045	2.94	3.55	3,249	3,710
Corn for Silage			Tons		1,000 Tons		Dollars per Ton		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	24	23	19.5	21.5	468	495	33.00	39.00	15,444	19,305
Maine	25	25	18.0	18.0	450	450	33.00	44.00	14,850	19,800
Massachusetts	15	15	20.0	19.5	300	293	35.00	42.00	10,500	12,306
New Hampshire	13	14	20.5	21.5	267	301	34.00	41.00	9,078	12,341
Rhode Island	2	2	20.0	20.5	40	41	34.00	30.00	1,360	1,230
Vermont	87	86	19.0	19.0	1,653	1,634	34.00	44.00	56,202	71,896
NEW ENGLAND	166	165	19.1	19.5	3,178	3,214	33.81	42.59	107,434	136,878
Dry Hay										
Alfalfa										
Connecticut	8	9	2.30	2.50	18	23	212.00	258.00	3,816	5,934
Maine	9	8	2.50	2.70	23	22	184.00	223.00	4,232	4,906
Massachusetts	9	8	2.40	2.10	22	17	212.00	265.00	4,664	4,505
New Hampshire	5	5	2.40	2.80	12	14	216.00	256.00	2,592	3,584
Rhode Island	1	1	1.80	2.70	2	3	215.00	262.00	430	786
Vermont	30	30	2.20	1.70	66	51	187.00	210.00	12,342	10,710
NEW ENGLAND	62	61	2.31	2.13	143	130	196.00	234.00	28,076	30,425
Other Hay										
Connecticut	53	46	1.90	2.10	101	97	185.00	219.00	18,685	21,243
Maine	135	130	1.80	1.50	243	195	148.00	172.00	35,964	33,540
Massachusetts	70	65	1.80	2.10	126	137	181.00	215.00	22,806	29,455
New Hampshire	50	48	1.90	1.90	95	91	176.00	208.00	16,720	18,928
Rhode Island	7	6	1.90	1.90	13	11	185.00	218.00	2,405	2,398
Vermont	160	150	2.10	1.70	336	255	143.00	164.00	48,048	41,820
NEW ENGLAND	475	445	1.92	1.77	914	786	158.00	188.00	144,628	147,384
All Hay										
Connecticut	61	55	1.95	2.18	119	120	189.00	226.00	22,501	27,177
Maine	144	138	1.85	1.57	266	217	151.00	177.00	40,196	38,446
Massachusetts	79	73	1.87	2.11	148	154	186.00	221.00	27,470	33,960
New Hampshire	55	53	1.95	1.98	107	105	180.00	214.00	19,312	22,512
Rhode Island	8	7	1.88	2.00	15	14	189.00	227.00	2,835	3,184
Vermont	190	180	2.12	1.70	402	306	150.00	172.00	60,390	52,530
NEW ENGLAND	537	506	1.97	1.81	1,057	916	163.00	194.00	172,704	177,809
Tobacco										
Broadleaf (Type 51)	Acres		Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Dollars per Pound		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	1,900	1,700	1,850	1,650	3,515	2,805	6.400	6.000	22,496	16,830
Massachusetts	1,100	500	1,780	1,500	1,958	750	6.600	6.000	12,923	4,500
CT and MA TOTAL	3,000	2,200	1,824	1,616	5,473	3,555	6.472	6.000	33,419	21,330
Shade (Type 61) ¹										
Connecticut	1,000	900	1,510	1,350	1,510	1,215	D	D	D	D
Massachusetts	220	190	1,450	1,300	319	247	D	D	D	D
CT and MA TOTAL	1,220	1,090	1,499	1,341	1,829	1,462	24.500	—	44,811	—

¹ The 2008 CT and MA shade tobacco price will be published in February, 2010.

D Estimates not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

SOURCE: *Crop Production - Annual Summary*, 8:30 a.m., January 12, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.*Crop Values*, 3:00 p.m., February 13, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

FALL POTATOES

FALL POTATOES: Production and Stocks, 13 Major States, February 1, 2008 – 2009 ¹

State	2007 Crop			2008 Crop			
	Production	Stocks February 1, 2008	Stocks as Percentage of Production	Production	Stocks January 1, 2009	Stocks February 1, 2009	Stocks as Percentage of Production
	1,000 Cwt	1,000 Cwt	Percent	1,000 Cwt	1,000 Cwt	1,000 Cwt	Percent
California	3,792	1,400	37	3,939	1,500	1,300	33
Colorado	20,981	11,200	53	21,338	14,500	12,500	59
Idaho	130,010	71,500	55	114,805	73,500	64,000	56
Maine	16,668	9,700	58	14,769	10,000	8,500	58
Michigan	14,700	5,300	36	14,875	6,500	5,000	34
Minnesota ²	21,560	9,900	46	20,400	11,800	10,600	52
Montana	3,696	3,400	92	3,465	3,300	3,200	92
Nebraska ²	8,217	3,700	45	8,342	4,700	4,000	48
New York	5,216	1,600	31	5,696	1,800	1,200	21
North Dakota	23,660	10,000	42	22,680	12,500	10,300	45
Oregon	20,293	13,900	68	18,676	14,100	12,000	64
Washington	100,800	43,800	43	93,000	43,800	38,600	42
Wisconsin	28,160	13,900	49	25,730	14,800	12,000	47
13 STATES	397,753	199,300	50	367,715	212,800	183,200	50
Klamath Basin ³		2,700			3,300	2,800	

¹ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2008 totaled 24.5 million cwt.

² January 1, 2009 stocks revised.

³ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Included in the 13 state total.

SOURCE: *Potato Stocks*, 3:00 p.m., February 13, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

POTATOES: Shrinkage and Loss, 13 Fall Storage States, 2005 – 2008 Crop Years

Crop Year	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1	To Mar 1	To Apr 1	To May 1	To Jun 1
	Million Cwt						
2005	12.7	15.0	16.8	18.4	20.2	22.0	23.7
2006	13.2	16.1	18.4	20.4	22.3	24.0	25.5
2007	14.2	16.4	18.4	20.2	22.1	24.0	25.3
2008	12.8	14.9 ¹	16.9				

¹ Revised.

SOURCE: *Potato Stocks*, 3:00 p.m., February 13, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

MAINE POTATOES: Prices Received, 2004 – 2008 Crop Years

Prices Received by Farmers for Fall Potatoes, Monthly and Marketing Year Average ¹

Crop Year	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Market Year Average
	Dollars per Cwt											
2004	5.90	5.15	5.65	6.15	6.35	5.90	6.55	6.60	6.95	7.30	7.40	6.50
2005	*	5.85	6.30	7.90	8.20	8.20	8.40	8.75	9.45	9.30	8.55	8.25
2006	*	6.25	6.50	8.15	8.25	8.40	7.90	7.60	8.15	8.20	8.05	7.80
2007	*	6.20	6.40	7.25	7.55	7.60	8.00	8.55	8.65	9.15	8.75	7.90
2008	*	7.20	7.75	9.80	10.00	9.30 ²						

¹ Average price of potatoes sold for fresh market, processing, seed, and feed.

² Preliminary price reflecting prices received for the entire month.

* Missing data indicates too few potatoes being marketed to set price.

SOURCE: *Agricultural Prices*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

FARMS

FARMS: Number, Average Size and Land in Farms, 2007 – 2008 ¹

State	Number of Farms		Average Farm Size		Land in Farms	
	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008
	Number		Acres		1,000 Acres	
Connecticut	4,900	4,900	84	82	410	400
Maine	8,100	8,000	167	169	1,350	1,350
Massachusetts	7,700	7,700	68	66	520	510
New Hampshire	4,150	4,150	113	113	470	470
Rhode Island	1,220	1,220	57	57	70	70
Vermont	7,000	7,000	176	174	1,230	1,220
NEW ENGLAND	33,070	32,970	122	122	4,050	4,020
UNITED STATES	2,204,950	2,200,000	418	418	921,460	919,900

¹ A farm is any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or would normally be sold during the year.

² Revised.

SOURCE: *Farms, Land in Farms, and Livestock Operations – 2008 Summary* 3:00 p.m., February 12, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

CATTLE

ANNUAL CATTLE: Total Inventory and Inventory by Class, January 1, 2009

State	All Cattle and Calves	Cows That Have Calved		Heifers 500 lbs and Over			Steers 500 lbs and Over	Bulls 500 lbs and Over	Calves Under 500 lbs
		Beef	Milk	Replacements		Other			
				Beef	Milk				
				1,000 Head					
Connecticut	52.0	6.0	19.0	2.0	11.0	0.5	2.4	0.6	10.5
Maine	89.0	11.0	33.0	4.0	18.0	2.0	3.5	1.5	16.0
Massachusetts	43.0	7.5	14.5	2.0	7.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	8.0
New Hampshire	39.0	6.0	15.0	1.5	7.5	1.0	1.0	0.5	6.5
Rhode Island	5.0	1.4	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.8
Vermont	270.0	9.0	139.0	3.5	61.0	4.5	3.0	3.0	47.0
NEW ENGLAND	498.0	40.9	221.6	13.5	105.0	9.1	12.3	6.8	88.8
UNITED STATES	94,491.0	31,671.3	9,333.3	5,526.2	4,409.5	9,649.8	16,774.1	2,184.1	14,942.7

SOURCE: *Cattle*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ANNUAL CATTLE: Total Inventory and Value, January 1, 2008 – 2009 and Calf Crop, 2007 – 2008

State	All Cattle and Calves		Value per Head		Value of Inventory		Calf Crop	
	Jan 1, 2008	Jan 1, 2009	Jan 1, 2008	Jan 1, 2009	Jan 1, 2008	Jan 1, 2009	2007	2008
	1,000 Head		Dollars		1,000 Dollars		1,000 Head	
Connecticut	50.0	52.0	1,250	1,250	62,500	65,000	19.0	20.0
Maine	89.0	89.0	1,210	1,240	107,690	110,360	36.0	36.0
Massachusetts	46.0	43.0	1,250	1,240	57,500	53,320	20.0	19.0
New Hampshire	37.0	39.0	1,310	1,290	48,470	50,310	16.0	14.0
Rhode Island	5.0	5.0	1,100	1,050	5,500	5,250	2.3	2.4
Vermont	265.0	270.0	1,580	1,450	418,700	391,500	120.0	123.0
NEW ENGLAND	492.0	498.0	1,423	1,357	700,360	675,740	213.3	214.4
UNITED STATES	96,034.5	94,491.0	990	874	95,112,820	82,542,050	36,758.7	36,112.5

SOURCE: *Cattle*, 3:00 p.m. January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.*Agricultural Prices*, 3:00 p.m., February 27, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

SHEEP and GOATS

ANNUAL SHEEP AND LAMBS: Inventory by Class, Total Inventory, January 1, 2008 – 2009

Region	Breeding Sheep and Lambs						Market Sheep and Lambs		All Sheep and Lambs	
	Breeding Sheep 1 Year Old and Older				Replacement Lambs					
	Ewes		Rams							
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Head									
New York	43.0	40.0	3.0	3.0	7.0	7.0	12.0	12.0	65.0	62.0
Pennsylvania	63.0	64.0	5.0	6.0	14.0	14.0	16.0	16.0	98.0	100.0
NEW ENGLAND ¹	32.0	31.5	2.5	2.5	8.0	7.0	7.5	7.0	50.0	48.0
UNITED STATES	3,540.0	3,403.5	194.5	195.0	697.0	648.5	1,518.5	1,500.0	5,950.0	5,747.0

¹ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.SOURCE: *Sheep and Goats*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ANNUAL SHEEP AND LAMBS: Lamb Crop, 2008 – 2009

Region	Breeding Ewes 1 Year and Older On Jan 1		Lambs per 100 Ewes 1 Year and Older On Jan 1		Lambs Born	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Head		Head		1,000 Head	
New York	43.0	43.0	102	102	44.0	44.0
Pennsylvania	66.0	63.0	102	116	67.0	73.0
NEW ENGLAND ¹	31.0	32.0	119	113	37.0	36.0
UNITED STATES	3,620.0	3,540.0	108	105	3,895.0	3,710.0

¹ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.SOURCE: *Sheep and Goats*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.New England Wool Production and Value 2004 – 2008¹

Year	Sheep Shorn	Weight per Fleece	Wool Production	Price per Pound	Value of Production ²
	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
2004	40.0	7.1	284	0.45	128
2005	41.0	7.1	293	0.45	132
2006	37.0	7.0	259	0.55	142
2007	38.0	7.0	266	0.55	146
2008	37.0	7.1	263	0.55	145

¹ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.² Production multiplied by marketing year average price.SOURCE: *Sheep and Goats*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ANNUAL GOATS: Inventory by Type and Total Inventory, January 1, 2008 – 2009

State	Angora Goats		Milk Goats		Meat and Other Goats		All Goats	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	Head							
New York	*	*	12,000	13,550	25,000	27,000	*	*
Pennsylvania	1,200	1,100	13,000	14,500	44,000	42,000	58,200	57,600
NEW ENGLAND ¹	1,300	1,250	12,000	10,500	14,000	12,100	27,300	23,850
UNITED STATES	205,000	185,000	323,000	335,000	2,590,000	2,550,000	3,118,000	3,070,000

¹ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.

* Individual state values unavailable.

SOURCE: *Sheep and Goats*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

LIVESTOCK

LIVESTOCK: Number of Operations, 2007 – 2008^{1 2}

State	Cattle and Calf Operations		Beef Cow Operations ³		Milk Cow Operations ³		Licensed Dairy Herds ⁴		Hog and Pig Operations		Sheep and Lamb Operations ⁵	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	Number											
Connecticut	1,200	—	750	—	270	—	150	150	240	—	—	—
Maine	2,100	—	1,300	—	480	—	340	330	440	—	—	—
Massachusetts	1,800	—	1,200	—	310	—	180	180	450	—	—	—
New Hampshire	1,000	—	640	—	220	—	130	130	270	—	—	—
Rhode Island	280	—	230	—	40	—	15	20	100	—	—	—
Vermont	2,500	—	1,000	—	1,200	—	1,120	1,100	250	—	—	—
NEW ENGLAND	8,880	—	5,120	—	2,520	—	1,935	1,910	1,750	—	3,000	—
UNITED STATES	965,510	956,500	766,350	757,000	69,995	67,000	59,130	57,127	75,450	73,150	83,130	82,330

¹ An operation is any place having one or more head of specified livestock on hand as of December 31. This represents a change from the previous definition of any place having one or more head of specified livestock on hand at anytime during the year.

² The number of operations by State will no longer be published on an annual basis. State level numbers will only be published in conjunction with the Census of Agriculture every five years. The number of operations at the U.S. level will continue to be published on an annual basis. Cattle, hogs, sheep, and goat operations for 2007 were revised at the U.S. and State level based on the Census of Agriculture. The reference date for operation estimates is December 31, beginning with the 2007 estimates. This is a change from the previous definition of an operation as any place having one or more head of a specie on hand at any time during the year. Annual end of year surveys are used to establish current year estimates. Historical publication statistical bulletin, NASS-SB1021, with revisions for 2003-2007 livestock operation estimates was published March 5, 2009.

³ Included in operations with cattle.

⁴ The average number of dairy farms licensed to sell milk, based on counts collected from state and other regulatory agencies.

⁵ Number of Sheep and Lamb Operations by state is unavailable.

SOURCE: *Farms, Land in Farms, and Livestock Operations – 2008 Summary* 3:00 p.m., February 12, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.
Milk Production, 3:00 pm, February 19, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

MILK PRODUCTION

VERMONT MILK: Prices Received by Farmers for Milk Sold 2004 – 2009¹

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Average
	Price per Cwt												
2004	14.00	14.40	16.20	17.80	20.10	19.80	17.60	15.50	16.30	16.60	17.00	17.20	16.90
2005	16.90	16.00	16.60	15.80	15.50	15.10	15.80	15.70	16.10	16.50	16.10	15.50	16.00
2006	15.30	14.60	13.80	12.80	12.70	12.70	12.70	12.90	13.60	14.50	14.70	14.80	13.70
2007	15.70	15.90	16.80	17.70	19.20	21.20	23.20	23.50	23.80	23.30	23.80	23.30	20.60
2008	22.20	20.40	18.90	19.30	18.80	19.90	20.80	19.90	19.70	18.80	18.40	16.50	*
2009 ²	15.70												

¹ Prices include quality, quantity, and other premiums; excludes deductions for hauling and hauling subsidies.

² Most recent monthly price is a preliminary mid-month forecast.

* 2008 Annual average will be available in April 2009.

SOURCE: *Agricultural Prices*, 3:00 p.m., January 30, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

MONTHLY MILK: Number of Cows and Production, January 2009 with Comparisons

State	Milk Cows ¹			Production per Cow ²			Production ²		
	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009
	1,000 Head			Pounds			Million Pounds		
Vermont	140	139	138	1,585	1,525	1,530	222	212	211
New York	626	625	624	1,660	1,640	1,670	1,039	1,025	1,042
Pennsylvania	552	548	550	1,630	1,580	1,630	900	866	897
UNITED STATES ³	8,451	8,521	8,509	1,741	1,722	1,746	14,714	14,677	14,855

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

³ UNITED STATES includes 23 major States: AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, TX, VT, VA, WA, and WI.

SOURCE: *Milk Production*, 3:00 p. m., February 19, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY MILK: Number of Cows and Production, 2007 – 2008

State and Month	Milk Cows ¹		Production per Cow		Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Connecticut	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds	
January – March	19.0	19.0	4,960	4,890	94.0	93.0
April – June	19.0	19.0	4,940	4,930	94.0	94.0
July – September	19.0	19.0	4,690	4,650	89.0	88.0
October – December	19.0	19.0	4,610	4,630	88.0	88.0
Annual	19.0	19.0	19,211	19,105	365.0	363.0
Maine						
January – March	32.0	33.0	4,420	4,460	141.0	147.0
April – June	32.0	33.0	4,620	4,670	148.0	154.0
July – September	33.0	33.0	4,580	4,670	151.0	154.0
October – December	33.0	33.0	4,450	4,490	147.0	148.0
Annual	33.0	33.0	17,788	18,273	587.0	603.0
Massachusetts						
January – March	15.0	15.0	4,360	4,290	65.0	64.0
April – June	15.0	15.0	4,360	4,400	65.0	66.0
July – September	14.5	14.5	4,320	4,350	63.0	63.0
October – December	14.5	14.5	4,250	4,230	62.0	61.0
Annual	15.0	15.0	17,000	16,933	255.0	254.0
New Hampshire						
January – March	15.0	15.0	4,830	5,040	72.0	76.0
April – June	15.0	15.0	4,930	5,100	74.0	77.0
July – September	15.0	15.0	4,830	4,910	72.0	74.0
October – December	15.0	15.0	4,810	4,830	72.0	72.0
Annual	15.0	15.0	19,333	19,933	290.0	299.0
Rhode Island						
January – March	1.1	1.1	4,000	4,360	4.4	4.8
April – June	1.1	1.1	4,210	4,690	4.6	5.2
July – September	1.1	1.1	4,140	4,530	4.6	5.0
October – December	1.1	1.1	4,110	4,440	4.5	4.9
Annual	1.1	1.1	16,455	18,091	18.1	19.9
Vermont						
January – March	140.0	140.0	4,479	4,679	627.0	655.0
April – June	140.0	140.0	4,550	4,721	637.0	661.0
July – September	139.0	140.0	4,568	4,579	635.0	641.0
October – December	140.0	139.0	4,514	4,468	632.0	621.0
Annual	140.0	140.0	18,079	18,414	2,531.0	2,578.0
Vermont						
January	140.0	140.0	1,560	1,585	218.0	222.0
February	140.0	140.0	1,385	1,500	194.0	210.0
March	140.0	140.0	1,535	1,590	215.0	223.0
April	140.0	140.0	1,495	1,560	209.0	218.0
May	140.0	140.0	1,555	1,600	218.0	224.0
June	139.0	140.0	1,510	1,565	210.0	219.0
July	139.0	140.0	1,555	1,585	216.0	222.0
August	139.0	140.0	1,540	1,535	214.0	215.0
September	140.0	139.0	1,465	1,470	205.0	204.0
October	140.0	139.0	1,510	1,490	211.0	207.0
November	140.0	139.0	1,465	1,455	205.0	202.0
December	140.0	139.0	1,545	1,525	216.0	212.0
Annual	140.0	140.0	18,079	18,414	2,531.0	2,578.0
NEW ENGLAND						
January – March	222.1	223.1	4,518	4,661	1,003.4	1,039.8
April – June	222.1	223.1	4,604	4,739	1,022.6	1,057.2
July – September	221.6	222.6	4,579	4,605	1,014.6	1,025.0
October – December	222.6	221.6	4,517	4,490	1,005.5	994.9
Annual	222.1	222.6	18,217	18,495	4,046.1	4,116.9
UNITED STATES, ANNUAL ²	9,189.0	9,315.0	20,204	20,396	185,654.0	189,992.0

¹ Average number, including dry cows.² U.S. monthly estimates are derived by proportionally allocating the quarterly estimates using the 23-state monthly total. Annual estimates are derived using the monthly estimates. SOURCE: *Milk Production*, 3:00 p.m., February 19, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

MONTHLY DAIRY PRODUCTS: New England Production, December 2008 with Comparisons

Product	December 2007 ¹	November 2008 ¹	December 2008	December 2008 as percent of:	
				December 2007	November 2008
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
Butter	2,375	1,813	1,927	81	106
American Type Cheese ²	6,345	6,796	6,537	103	96
Mozzarella Cheese	3,062	509	559	18	110
Other Italian Cheese ³	498	373	408	82	109
Cottage Cheese ⁴	397	439	642	162	146
	1,000 Gallons			Percent	
Ice Cream, Hard	4,822	4,305	4,957	103	115
Low Fat Ice Cream, Hard	504	853	242	48	28
Milk Sherbet, Hard	72	84	128	178	152

¹ Revised.² American Type Cheese includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.³ Includes all Italian Cheese except Mozzarella.⁴ Creamed and Low Fat.SOURCE OF NATIONAL PRODUCTION: *Dairy Products*, 3:00 p.m., February 4, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

CHICKENS

MONTHLY CHICKENS: Layers and Egg Production, January 2008 – 2009

State	Table Egg Layers in Flocks 30,000 and Above		All Layers ¹		Eggs per 100 for All Layers ¹		Egg Production from All Layers ¹	
	January 2008	January 2009	January 2008	January 2009	January 2008	January 2009	January 2008	January 2009
	1,000 Birds				Number		Million Eggs	
Connecticut	2,875	2,729	2,933	2,786	2,284	2,297	67	64
Maine	3,994	3,538	4,066	3,622	2,115	2,126	86	77
UNITED STATES	279,709	279,512	344,737	340,946	2,218	2,249	7,646	7,667

¹ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs*, 3:00 p.m., February 27, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.ANNUAL CHICKENS: Inventory by Class and Total Inventory, December 1, 2007 – 2008 ¹

State	Total Layers		Total Pullets		Other Chickens		All Chickens	
	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008
	1,000 Birds							
Connecticut	2,985	2,838	655	568	7	10	3,647	3,416
Maine	3,909	3,626	1,479	1,381	4	4	5,392	5,011
Massachusetts	114	117	7	11	0	1	121	129
New Hampshire	197	243	91	103	6	12	294	358
Vermont	228	217	3	30	3	3	234	250
NEW ENGLAND ³	7,433	7,041	2,235	2,093	20	30	9,688	9,164
UNITED STATES	346,613	339,642	103,816	98,843	8,164	7,587	458,593	446,072

¹ Excludes commercial broilers.² Revised.³ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs - Annual Summary*, 3:00 p.m., February 26, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.ANNUAL CHICKENS: Inventory and Value, December 1, 2007 – 2008 ¹

State	All Chickens		Value Per Bird		Value of Inventory	
	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008	2007 ²	2008
	1,000 Birds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	3,647	3,416	2.80	2.80	10,212	9,565
Maine	5,392	5,011	2.40	3.00	12,941	15,033
Massachusetts	121	129	4.20	4.80	508	619
New Hampshire	294	358	4.30	4.30	1,264	1,539
Vermont	234	250	2.70	3.20	632	800
NEW ENGLAND ³	9,688	9,164	2.64	3.01	25,557	27,556
UNITED STATES	458,593	446,072	2.95	3.38	1,351,549	1,506,573

¹ Excludes commercial broilers.² Revised.³ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs - Annual Summary*, 3:00 p.m., February 26, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ANNUAL LAYERS AND EGGS: Average Number of Layers and Eggs Produced, 2007 – 2008^{1 2}

State	Average Number of Layers		Eggs per Layer ³		Total Egg Production	
	2007 ⁴	2008	2007 ⁴	2008	2007 ⁴	2008
	1,000 Birds		Number		Million Eggs	
Connecticut	2,887	2,860	282	273	814	780
Maine	3,903	3,910	260	263	1,013	1,028
Massachusetts	179	116	290	310	52	36
New Hampshire	172	234	279	278	48	65
Vermont	215	212	275	260	59	55
NEW ENGLAND⁵	7,356	7,332	270	268	1,986	1,964
UNITED STATES	346,498	339,572	263	266	91,101	90,151

¹ Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30.

² Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

³ Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

⁴ Revised.

⁵ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.

SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs - Annual Summary*, 3:00 p.m., February 26, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

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