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MAPLE

New England (excluding Rhode Island): New England's maple syrup production in 2009 totaled 1,468,000 gallons, up 30 percent from last year. Vermont remained the largest producing State in New England and the Nation, with 40 percent of the Nation's maple syrup. Taps in New England totaled 5.2 million, up three percent from last year and accounted for 60 percent of the Nation's maple taps.

The 2009 maple season was rated mostly favorable in temperature, causing production increases in two of the five New England States. Temperatures were reported to be 67 percent favorable, 17 percent too warm and 16 percent too cool. Many operators in Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire were hit hard by the December ice storm with some producers deciding to sit out the season and others taking a loss in production. The season started off cold and then warmed up quickly. This meant a very short season for all the States. However, producers in New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine experienced more consistent and steadier sap flows with Maine hitting an all time high production level and Vermont reaching it's highest since 1944. Earliest dates for sap collection for each State were as follows: Vermont - January 27, Massachusetts - January 28, Connecticut - February 1, New Hampshire - February 12, and Maine - February 17. Closing dates for sap collection for each State were as follows: Massachusetts - April 15, Connecticut - April 25, Maine - April 30, Vermont - April 30, and New Hampshire - May 1. The sugar content of the sap was below average, requiring approximately 44 gallons of sap to produce a gallon of syrup. The majority of syrup produced was medium amber followed by dark amber and then light amber.

2008 PRICES AND SALES: Across New England, the average equivalent price per gallon for 2008 maple syrup varied widely depending on the percentage sold retail, wholesale, or bulk. The 2008 all sales equivalent price per gallon in Connecticut averaged \$61.60, up \$7.70. Maine averaged \$36.80, up \$6.70; New Hampshire averaged \$52.30, up \$5.50; and Vermont averaged \$39.20, up \$10.10. In Massachusetts, the price averaged \$45.80, down \$0.30. Vermont and Maine's prices continue to be lower than the other States because of the high percentage of bulk sales sold in these States. Bulk prices continue to increase in 2008. New England's 2008 gallon equivalent price of \$40.55 reflects an increase of \$10.03 from the 2007 price of \$31.52.

UNITED STATES: U.S. maple syrup production in 2009 totaled 2.33 million gallons, up 22 percent from 2008 and the highest on record since 1944. The number of taps is estimated at 8.65 million, 4 percent above the 2008 total of 8.33 million. Yield per tap is estimated to be 0.269 gallons, up 17 percent from the previous season.

Vermont led all States in production with 920,000 gallons, an increase of 30 percent from 2008 and the highest on record since 1944. Production in Maine reached a record high 395,000 gallons, up 65 percent from last year. Production in New York, at 362,000 gallons, increased 10 percent from 2008. Production in Wisconsin, at 200,000 gallons, is the highest on record and 33 percent above 2008. In Michigan, production is estimated to be 115,000 gallons. This is the highest on record since 1947 and 10 percent above 2008. In New Hampshire, production is estimated to be 94,000 gallons, down 1 percent from last season. Production in Pennsylvania, at 92,000 gallons, is 8 percent below 2008. In Ohio, production is estimated to be 90,000 gallons, down 10 percent from 2008. Production in Massachusetts, at 46,000 gallons, decreased 29 percent from last season. In Connecticut, production is estimated to be 13,000 gallons, down 32 percent from 2008.

Temperatures were reported to be mostly favorable in all States except Pennsylvania. Producers in Pennsylvania experienced weather fluctuations and reported temperatures that were mostly too warm for sap flow. On average, the season lasted 28 days compared with 30 days last year. In most States, the season started later than last year. The earliest sap flow reported was January 15 in Pennsylvania. The latest sap flow reported was May 1 in New Hampshire. Sugar content of the sap for 2009 was down from the previous year. On average, approximately 43 gallons of sap were required to produce one gallon of syrup. This compares with 39 gallons in 2008 and 45 gallons in 2007. The majority of the syrup produced in each State this year was medium to dark in color with the exception of Maine.

The 2008 U.S. average price per gallon was \$40.50, up \$7.70 from the 2007 price of \$32.80. The U.S. value of production, at \$77.5 million for 2008, was up 55 percent from the previous season. This is the result of an increase in price and production from 2007. Value of production increased in all 10 maple syrup estimating States.

MAPLE SYRUP: Taps, Yield, and Production, 2007 – 2009 ¹

State	Taps			Yield per Tap			Production		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
	1,000 Taps			Gallons			1,000 Gallons		
Connecticut	73	75	71	0.151	0.253	0.183	11	19	13
Maine	1,485	1,440	1,470	0.168	0.167	0.269	250	240	395
Massachusetts	250	250	230	0.160	0.260	0.200	40	65	46
New Hampshire	400	395	385	0.175	0.241	0.244	70	95	94
Vermont	2,770	2,870	3,030	0.231	0.247	0.304	640	710	920
NEW ENGLAND ²	4,978	5,030	5,186	0.203	0.224	0.283	1,011	1,129	1,468
Michigan	390	405	450	0.167	0.259	0.256	65	105	115
New York	1,440	1,445	1,508	0.158	0.227	0.240	228	328	362
Ohio	325	350	375	0.194	0.286	0.240	63	100	90
Pennsylvania	445	475	464	0.124	0.211	0.198	55	100	92
Wisconsin	600	620	670	0.158	0.242	0.299	95	150	200
UNITED STATES	8,178	8,325	8,653	0.185	0.230	0.269	1,517	1,912	2,327
New Brunswick ³	—	—	—	—	—	—	272	203	—
Nova Scotia ³	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	25	—
Ontario ³	—	—	—	—	—	—	269	315	—
Quebec ³	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,599	5,337	—
CANADA ^{3 4}	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,173	5,879	—

¹ 2008 Revised.² New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.³ Canadian data incomplete; current figures were unavailable at the time of publication. Canadian imperial gallons were converted to United States gallons (1 imperial gallon equals 1.2021778 United States gallons).⁴ Data may not add due to rounding.SOURCE: United States – *Crop Production*, June 10, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.Canada, Production – *2008 Production and Value of Honey and Maple Products*, Statistics Canada

MAPLE SYRUP: Production, Price, and Value, 2006 – 2008

State	Production			Average Gallon Equivalent Price of All Sales ¹			Value of Production		
	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008
	1,000 Gallons			United States Dollars			United States 1,000 Dollars		
Connecticut	11	11	19	58.20	53.90	61.60	640	593	1,170
Maine	345	250	240	24.30	30.10	36.80	8,384	7,525	8,832
Massachusetts	40	40	65	47.90	46.10	45.80	1,916	1,844	2,977
New Hampshire	64	70	95	43.90	46.80	52.30	2,810	3,276	4,969
Vermont	650	640	710	30.20	29.10	39.20	19,630	18,624	27,832
NEW ENGLAND ²	1,110	1,011	1,129	30.07	31.52	40.55	33,380	31,862	45,780
Michigan	78	65	105	37.00	41.60	41.00	2,886	2,704	4,305
New York	253	228	328	31.70	33.50	42.40	8,020	7,638	13,907
Ohio	71	63	100	34.00	39.00	37.90	2,414	2,457	3,790
Pennsylvania	66	55	100	32.50	31.60	38.30	2,145	1,738	3,830
Wisconsin	100	95	150	31.20	35.70	39.10	3,120	3,392	5,865
UNITED STATES	1,678	1,517	1,912	31.00	32.80	40.50	51,965	49,791	77,477
New Brunswick ³	305	272	203	32.10	36.96	42.94	9,792	10,052	8,717
Nova Scotia ³	31	32	25	30.35	31.31	36.12	941	1,002	903
Ontario ³	261	269	315	38.45	42.21	48.55	10,035	11,354	15,293
Quebec ³	6,534	5,599	5,337	22.59	24.09	34.58	147,633	134,884	184,572
CANADA ³	7,131	6,173	5,879	23.62	25.48	35.63	168,401	157,292	209,483

¹ Average gallon equivalent price in United States dollars is a weighted average across retail, wholesale, and bulk sales. This price is lower for States, such as Maine and Vermont, with more bulk sales. The average gallon equivalent price is not the average retail price paid for a gallon of syrup.² New England include CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.³ Canadian dollars to United States dollars exchange rates were valued at or near the closest date to July 1 for each year. Exchange rates 0.9002 for 2006, 0.9393 for 2007, and 0.9886 for 2008. Canadian imperial gallons were converted to United States gallons (1 imperial gallon equals 1.2021778 United States gallons).SOURCE: United States – *Crop Production*, June 10, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.SOURCE: Canada, Production and Value of Production – *2008 Production and Value of Honey and Maple Products*, Statistics Canada.

POTATOES

Maine potato stocks on hand June 1, 2009 totaled 2.2 million hundred weight (cwt), 12 percent below June 1, 2008 holdings and the lowest level on hand June 1 since 2003. Disappearance through the end of May in Maine totaled 12.6 million cwt, compared with 14.2 million cwt a year earlier. Storage accounted for 15 percent of Maine's total production, unchanged from June of 2008 and the previous 5-year average. The price received for 2008 crop potatoes across all sales for fresh market, processing, and seed averaged \$10.70 per cwt during April 2009, compared with the previous year's \$8.65 per cwt, and the 5-year average of \$8.31 per cwt.

The 13 major potato States held 44.8 million cwt of potatoes in storage June 1, 2009, down 11 percent from a year ago but

one percent above June 1, 2007. Potatoes in storage accounted for 12 percent of the 2008 fall storage states' production, slightly below June 1, 2008.

Potato disappearance, at 323 million cwt, was seven percent below June 1, 2008 and down six percent from 2007. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 23.8 million cwt, was down six percent from the same date in 2008 and seven percent below 2007. Processors in the nine major States have used 169 million cwt of potatoes this season, down seven percent from both the same period last year and 2 years ago. Dehydrating usage accounted for 31.9 million cwt of the total processing, down 16 percent from last year and 22 percent below the same period in 2007.

FALL POTATOES: Production and Stocks, 13 Major States, June 1, 2008 – 2009¹

State	2007 Crop			2008 Crop			
	Production	Stocks June 1, 2008 ²	Stocks as Percentage of Production	Production	Stocks May 1, 2009	Stocks June 1, 2009 ²	Stocks as Percentage of Production
	1,000 Cwt		Percent	1,000 Cwt		Percent	
California	3,792	300	8	3,939	500	400	10
Colorado	20,981	2,500	12	21,338	5,300	3,400	16
Idaho	130,010	23,000	18	114,805	30,000	18,500	16
Maine	16,668	2,500	15	14,769	3,700	2,200	15
Michigan	14,700			14,875	700	100	1
Minnesota ³	21,560	2,400	11	20,400	4,500	3,400	17
Montana	3,696			3,465		40	1
Nebraska	8,217			8,342	1,100		
New York	5,216			5,696			
North Dakota ³	23,660	2,800	12	22,680	4,000	2,000	9
Oregon	20,293	4,200	21	18,676	5,300	3,800	20
Washington	100,800	11,000	11	93,000	16,500	8,300	9
Wisconsin	28,160	1,000	4	25,730	3,600	2,000	8
Other States		720			800	630	
13 STATES³	397,753	50,420	13	367,715	76,000	44,770	12
Klamath Basin ⁴		D			750	D	

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

² Missing stocks combined with Other States.

³ May 1, 2009 stocks revised.

⁴ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Included in the 13 State total.

D Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

SOURCE: *Potato Stocks*, June 12, 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	12.7	14.9	16.8	18.7	20.6	22.3	23.8

SOURCE: *Potato Stocks*, June 12, 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 Average¹**

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	7.85	8.20	8.20	8.40	8.75	9.45	9.30	8.50	8.25
2006	*	6.25	6.50	8.15	8.25	8.35	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	9.85	10.30	11.10	10.70	9.55	8.60 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*, June 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

CATTLE and CALVES

New England's cattle and calf cash receipts increased from \$87.1 million in 2007 to \$87.5 million in 2008. Cattle and calves marketings in pounds increased from 2007 to 2008, despite the number of head marketed remaining roughly the same. New England's cattle and calf marketings totaled 115.4 million pounds in 2008, up 9.6 percent from 2007.

Connecticut and New Hampshire were the only two states to experience a decrease in marketings in 2008. Vermont experienced the largest increase in marketings with 67.1 million pounds sold, 9.9 million pounds more than the previous year. Vermont also accounted for over half of the region's cattle and calf liveweight marketings.

CATTLE and CALVES: Production and Income, 2007 and 2008

State	Production		Marketings		Price per 100 Pounds			Cash Receipts		Gross Income ¹		
	2007	2008	2007	2008	Cattle		Calves	2007	2008	2007	2008	
					2007	2008	2008					
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars			1,000 Dollars				
Connecticut	12,366	12,884	15,040	11,502	69.00	61.00	100.00	100.00	11,097	8,168	12,391	9,292
Maine	19,054	19,689	16,078	17,396	80.00	65.00	105.00	100.00	13,986	13,330	15,351	14,853
Massachusetts	9,708	9,931	8,860	11,780	72.00	62.00	105.00	100.00	7,204	8,223	7,879	9,365
New Hampshire	9,737	9,022	7,011	6,480	71.00	63.00	110.00	105.00	6,226	5,349	7,338	6,462
Rhode Island	1,231	1,246	1,133	1,152	68.00	62.00	100.00	100.00	851	787	979	901
Vermont	53,996	64,624	57,190	67,080	71.00	62.00	105.00	100.00	47,745	51,667	49,553	53,303
NEW ENGLAND	106,092	117,396	105,312	115,390	*	*	*	*	87,109	87,524	93,491	94,176

¹ The value of home consumption accounts for the difference between gross income and cash receipts.

* New England price per 100 pounds is not available.

SOURCE *Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income 2008 Summary*, May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

CATTLE and CALVES: Inventory, Supply, and Disposition, 2007 – 2009 ¹

State	All Cattle on Hand January 1			Calves Born		Inshipments		Marketings				Farm Slaughter		Deaths	
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2007	2008	Cattle		Calves		2007	2008	2007	2008
								2007	2008	2007	2008				
	1,000 Head														
Connecticut	53.0	50.0	52.0	19.0	20.0	2.0	2.0	13.0	8.5	8.0	8.2	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.3
Maine	86.0	89.0	89.0	36.0	36.0	1.0	1.0	12.7	13.6	15.5	17.0	1.0	1.5	4.8	4.9
Massachusetts	44.0	46.0	43.0	20.0	19.0	2.0	2.0	6.5	10.0	10.0	11.0	0.5	1.0	3.0	2.0
New Hampshire	35.0	37.0	39.0	16.0	14.0	1.0	1.0	4.7	4.3	8.0	6.7	0.5	0.5	1.8	1.5
Rhode Island	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.3	2.4	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3
Vermont	265.0	265.0	270.0	120.0	123.0	6.0	7.0	39.5	40.0	70.5	69.0	2.0	2.0	14.0	14.0
NEW ENGLAND	488.0	492.0	498.0	213.3	214.4	12.1	13.1	77.3	77.3	113.1	113.1	5.1	6.1	25.9	25.0

¹ Balance sheet estimates by state; the sum of inventory January 1, 2008, calf crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and inventory January 1, 2009.

SOURCE *Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income 2008 Summary*, May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

VERMONT CATTLE: Inventory by County, January 1, 2006 – 2009

County	All Cattle and Calves				Milk Cows and Calves			
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2006	2007	2008	2009
	Head							
Addison	65,200	62,800	62,300	63,500	33,400	32,900	32,200	32,000
Bennington	3,200	3,100	3,400	3,500	1,600	1,500	1,700	1,700
Caledonia	15,200	15,000	13,600	13,900	7,500	7,400	6,900	6,900
Chittenden	13,500	13,000	10,500	10,700	6,900	6,400	5,000	4,800
Essex	4,500	4,300	5,600	5,700	2,300	2,200	3,300	3,300
Franklin	64,600	61,900	62,600	63,500	37,800	38,600	37,800	37,500
Grand Isle	5,900	5,700	5,900	6,000	2,700	2,900	3,000	3,000
Lamoille	7,000	6,700	6,400	6,500	4,000	3,900	3,600	3,600
Orange	17,100	16,500	18,200	18,600	8,800	8,400	9,000	9,000
Orleans	35,800	34,500	37,900	38,600	21,600	21,100	20,800	20,900
Rutland	17,800	17,200	15,700	16,000	6,400	6,100	6,800	6,700
Washington	8,700	8,400	7,200	7,400	3,800	3,700	3,300	3,300
Windham	7,900	7,600	6,500	6,700	3,700	3,800	3,500	3,200
Windsor	8,600	8,300	9,200	9,400	2,500	2,100	3,100	3,100
STATE TOTAL	275,000	265,000	265,000	270,000	143,000	141,000	140,000	139,000

MILK PRODUCTION

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

State	Milk Cows ¹			Production per Cow ²			Production ²		
	May 2008	April 2009 ³	May 2009	May 2008	April 2009 ³	May 2009	May 2008	April 2009 ³	May 2009
	1,000 Head			Pounds			Million Pounds		
Vermont	140	136	136	1,600	1,520	1,595	224	207	217
New York	626	623	621	1,770	1,670	1,770	1,108	1,040	1,099
Pennsylvania	548	549	547	1,720	1,640	1,710	943	900	935
UNITED STATES ⁴	8,496	8,481	8,471	1,819	1,759	1,828	15,451	14,916	15,483

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

³ Revised.

⁴ 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., June 18, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

VERMONT MILK: Prices Received by Farmers for Milk Sold 2004 – 2009 ¹

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	19.50
2009 ²	15.10	12.60	12.40	12.80	12.90								

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.

SOURCE: *Agricultural Prices*, May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

American cheese production in **New England** totaled 79.5 million pounds, an increase of 1.3 percent over 2007. Italian cheese production totaled 90.7 million pounds, and represented 45 percent of the total cheese production in New England. American cheese production for the **United States** was 4.1 billion pounds, representing a five percent increase over 2007 production and accounting for 41 percent of total cheese in 2008. Italian varieties, with 4.16 billion pounds were 1 percent below 2007 production and accounted for 41.9 percent of total cheese in 2008. Mozzarella accounted for 77.9 percent of the Italian production.

Butter production in **New England** totaled 22.7 million pounds, 6.9% less than 2007 production. **United States' butter production** during 2008 totaled 1.64 billion pounds, 7.3 percent above 2007.

Ice cream production in **New England** totaled 78.5 million gallons, a decrease of 5.8% from 2007. Ice cream production for the **United States** was down overall as well. Regular ice cream production totaled 943 million gallons, a 1.4 percent reduction from the previous year. Likewise, low fat ice cream production decreased to 377 million gallons representing a 1.2 percent drop from 2007.

ANNUAL DAIRY PRODUCTS: NEW ENGLAND Production of Butter and Cheese, by Month, 2008

Month	Butter	American Cheese ¹	Mozzarella Cheese	Other Italian Cheese ²	Cottage Cheese ³
	1,000 Pounds				
January	3,516	7,463	5,445	1,896	591
February	3,542	6,687	4,818	2,901	615
March	1,613	6,386	5,566	3,079	495
April	1,839	7,115	5,157	3,307	529
May	1,689	6,934	6,138	2,824	679
June	1,686	5,866	5,476	1,629	474
July	1,134	6,473	5,818	2,813	607
August	641	6,608	6,395	3,055	532
September	1,637	5,568	5,191	3,493	520
October	1,677	7,109	2,379	2,443	665
November	1,811	6,744	2,246	2,926	439
December	1,942	6,589	2,424	3,241	642
ANNUAL	22,727	79,542	57,053	33,607	6,788

¹ American type cheese includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.

² Includes all Italian cheese except Mozzarella.

³ Creamed and low fat.

SOURCE: NEW ENGLAND 2008 Summary of Annual Manufactured Dairy Products Survey, conducted February 2009.

ANNUAL DAIRY PRODUCTS: NEW ENGLAND Production of Frozen Desserts, by Month, 2008 ¹

Month	Ice Cream	Low Fat Ice Cream	Milk Sherbet
	1,000 Gallons		
January	6,326	1,746	53
February	5,200	1,929	115
March	6,665	2,133	181
April	7,392	2,618	278
May	8,008	2,741	261
June	7,911	1,870	182
July	8,322	1,649	217
August	8,006	1,830	152
September	5,688	1,446	161
October	5,603	1,621	147
November	4,538	1,564	84
December	4,866	874	127
ANNUAL	78,525	22,021	1,958

¹ Includes both hard and soft serve.

SOURCE: NEW ENGLAND 2008 Summary of Annual Manufactured Dairy Products Survey, conducted February 2009.

ANNUAL DAIRY PRODUCTS: NEW ENGLAND and UNITED STATES Production, 2007 – 2008

Product	New England			United States		
	2007	2008	2008 as Percentage of 2007	2007 ¹	2008	2008 as Percentage of 2007
	1,000 Pounds			1,000 Pounds		
Butter	24,411	22,727	93	1,532,717	1,644,078	107
American cheese ²	78,488	79,542	101	3,877,214	4,071,294	105
Mozzarella cheese	39,475	57,053	145	3,329,540	3,239,391	97
Other Italian cheese ³	7,061	33,607	476	869,260	918,637	106
Cottage cheese ⁴	6,807	6,788	100	774,030	715,454	92
	1,000 Gallons			1,000 Gallons		
Ice Cream ⁵	83,335	78,525	94	956,121	942,514	99
Low Fat Ice Cream	22,560	22,021	98	381,946	377,222	99
Hard Serve	13,226	9,815	74	138,936	138,154	99
Soft Serve	9,334	12,206	131	243,010	239,068	98
Milk Sherbet ⁵	1,954	1,958	100	62,674	60,770	97
	Percent			Percent		
Dairy Plants ⁶	75	77	103	1,123	1,116	99

¹ Revised.² American type cheese includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.³ Includes all Italian cheese except Mozzarella⁴ Creamed and low fat⁵ Includes both hard and soft serve.⁶ Number of dairy plants manufacturing one or more dairy products.

SOURCE: New England 2008 Summary of the Annual Manufactured Dairy Products Survey, conducted February 2009.

Dairy Products - Annual, May 28, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA

MONTHLY DAIRY PRODUCTS: New England Production, April 2009 with Comparisons

Product	April 2008 ¹	March 2009 ¹	April 2009	April 2009 as percent of:	
				April 2008	March 2009
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
Butter	1,839	4,086	3,522	192	86
American Type Cheese ²	7,115	6,691	7,174	101	107
Mozzarella Cheese	5,157	3,594	4,021	78	112
Other Italian Cheese ³	3,307	2,733	2,693	81	99
Cottage Cheese ⁴	529	529	598	113	113
	1,000 Gallons			Percent	
Ice Cream, Hard	7,048	5,370	5,950	84	111
Low Fat Ice Cream, Hard	1,274	515	676	53	131
Milk Sherbet, Hard	276	125	132	48	106

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, June 5, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

POULTRY

Laying flocks in **New England** (excluding Rhode Island) produced 2.0 billion **eggs** in 2008, one percent fewer eggs than a year earlier. The average price per dozen eggs in the region rose from 87.6 cents in 2007 to 1.105 dollars in 2008. Strong prices offset lower egg production and brought the value of New England eggs up to \$180.8 million in 2008; an increase of 25 percent from 2007 and the highest value realized in the five-state region since 1994.

The value of **chickens sold for slaughter** in New England (excluding Rhode Island) totaled \$117,000 in 2008, nearly double from the 2007 value. Improved prices received per pound on a live weight basis offset the 12 percent drop in pounds sold. New Hampshire saw the biggest increase in price, with the 2008 average at 7.9 cents per pound, compared with 2.2 cents per pound in 2007. Vermont chickens sold for 5.3 cents per pound in 2008, up from 1.8 cents per pound. Chickens in the remaining states sold for less than one cent per pound.

ANNUAL CHICKENS: Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Price, and Value of Sales, 2007 – 2008¹

State	Number Lost ²		Number Sold for Slaughter		Pounds Sold		Price per Pound		Value of Sales	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	1,000 Birds				1,000 Pounds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	1,108	804	1,400	1,362	4,760	4,631	0.004	0.004	19	19
Maine	642	842	2,665	2,337	8,795	7,712	0.001	0.001	9	8
Massachusetts	15	12	217	115	716	380	0.001	0.003	1	1
New Hampshire	35	50	210	204	819	857	0.022	0.079	18	68
Vermont	25	25	196	81	725	389	0.018	0.053	13	21
NEW ENGLAND³	1,825	1,733	4,688	4,099	15,815	13,969	0.004	0.008	60	117
UNITED STATES	101,152	101,828	168,283	175,932	912,875	936,508	0.056	0.066	51,498	61,845

¹ Estimates cover the 12 - month period of December 1, previous year, through November 30, current year. Data excludes broilers.² Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted, or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12 - month period.³ New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT. RI is not included to avoid disclosing individual operations.

SOURCE: Poultry Production and Value, 2008 Summary, 3:00 p.m., May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

MONTHLY CHICKENS: Layers and Egg Production, May 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	
	May 2008	May 2009	May 2008	May 2009	May 2008	May 2009	May 2008	May 2009
	1,000 Birds				Number		Million Eggs	
Connecticut	2,796	2,764	2,859	2,826	2,308	2,371	66	67
Maine	3,871	3,326	3,947	3,419	2,280	2,164	90	74
UNITED STATES	275,130	275,102	340,116	336,699	2,224	2,256	7,564	7,597

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., June 22, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ANNUAL EGGS: Production, Price, and Value, 2007 – 2008 ¹

State	Eggs Produced		Price per Dozen ²		Value of Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	Million		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	814	780	0.766	0.925	51,938	60,116
Maine	1,013	1,028	0.949	1.220	80,093	104,433
Massachusetts	52	36	0.990	1.240	4,288	3,718
New Hampshire	48	65	1.090	1.350	4,373	7,321
Vermont	59	55	0.869	1.150	4,271	5,252
NEW ENGLAND ³	1,986	1,964	0.876	1.105	144,963	180,840
UNITED STATES	91,101	90,151	0.885	1.090	6,718,853	8,225,486

¹ December 1, previous year through November 30.

² Includes hatching and market (table) eggs.

³ NEW ENGLAND includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT. RI is not included to avoid disclosing individual operations.

SOURCE: *Poultry Production and Value, 2008 Summary*, 3:00 p.m., May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

HOGS and PIGS:

HOGS and PIGS: Inventory, Pig Crop and Disposition, 2006 – 2008 ¹

State	All Hogs and Pigs On Hand Dec 1			Pig Crop Dec – Nov ²		Inshipments		Marketings		Farm Slaughter		Deaths	
	2006	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	1,000 Head												
Connecticut	3.0	3.7	3.1	5.46	4.05	0.3	0.3	4.6	4.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4
Maine	4.5	4.4	4.4	8.84	9.36	0.5	1.2	8.5	10.1	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.2
Massachusetts	13.0	12.0	10.0	12.00	13.86	1.5	1.2	13.3	16.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5
New Hampshire	2.8	2.8	2.8	4.50	3.32	1.5	2.2	5.6	5.0	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
Rhode Island	2.1	2.3	1.8	4.74	5.11	0.1	0.1	4.3	5.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Vermont	2.5	2.7	2.6	5.18	4.80	0.8	0.7	5.4	5.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
NEW ENGLAND ³	27.9	27.9	24.7	40.72	40.50	4.7	5.7	41.7	46.1	1.7	1.7	2.0	1.7

¹ Balance sheet estimates by State; the sum of inventory December 1, 2007, pig crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and inventory December 1, 2008.

² December of previous year.

³ New England totals may not balance due to rounding.

SOURCE: *Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income – 2008 Summary*, May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

HOGS and PIGS: Production and Income, 2007 – 2008

State	Production		Marketings		Price per 100 Pounds ¹		Cash Receipts		Gross Income ²	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars		1,000 Dollars			
Connecticut	919	722	697	768	38.00	39.50	266	305	310	350
Maine	2,037	2,426	1,459	1,833	38.00	39.50	609	782	854	1,016
Massachusetts	2,687	3,366	2,495	3,153	38.00	39.50	957	1,250	1,098	1,409
New Hampshire	915	802	868	855	38.00	39.50	331	339	376	383
Rhode Island	699	718	592	723	38.00	39.50	226	287	262	323
Vermont	1,066	1,056	944	961	38.00	39.50	362	383	423	450
NEW ENGLAND	8,323	9,090	7,055	8,293	38.00	39.50	2,751	3,346	3,323	3,931

¹ An average New England price was used to generate cash receipts and gross income for individual states.

² The value of home consumption accounts for the difference between gross income and cash receipts.

SOURCE: *Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income – 2008 Summary*, May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Agricultural Prices, February 27, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

SHEEP and LAMBS

New England cash receipts from **sheep and lamb** marketings totaled nearly \$2.6 million in 2008, an increase of 10 percent from the previous year. Sheep marketings increased 30 percent from

the 2007 level, while lamb marketings were essentially unchanged from the previous year. Production totaled 2.6 million live weight pounds in 2008, compared to 2.7 million pounds in 2007.

SHEEP and LAMBS: Inventory, Lamb Crop and Disposition, 2007 –2008 ¹

Region and Year	All Sheep and Lambs Jan 1	Lambs Born	Inshipments	Marketings		Farm Slaughter	Deaths	
				Sheep	Lambs		Sheep	Lambs
1,000 Head								
NEW ENGLAND ²								
2007	48.0	37.0	2.4	6.4	23.1	2.0	2.1	3.8
2008	50.0	36.0	2.2	8.3	23.2	3.0	2.1	3.6
UNITED STATES								
2007	6,120.0	3,895.0	1,397.9	780.4	3,926.5	84.5	245.5	426.0
2008	5,950.0	3,710.0	1,230.2	736.1	3,649.7	92.4	249.0	416.0

¹ Balance sheet estimates; the sum of inventory January 1, 2007, lamb crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and inventory January 1, 2008.

² New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

SOURCE *Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income – 2008 Summary*, May 29, 2009, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

SHEEP and LAMBS: Production and Income, 2007 – 2008

Region and Year	Production ¹	Marketings ²	Average Price per 100 Pounds		Cash Receipts ³	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
			Sheep	Lambs			
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars		
NEW ENGLAND ⁴							
2007	2,744	2,440	46.00	120.00	2,336	430	2,766
2008	2,639	2,686	50.00	125.00	2,579	529	3,108
UNITED STATES							
2007	440,286	559,120	31.00	98.50	474,749	13,705	488,454
2008	416,861	525,707	27.20	99.60	450,761	13,957	464,718

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 region.

³ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter.

⁴ New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

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