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**POTATO STOCKS:** Maine potato stocks on hand February 1, 2008 totaled 9.6 million cwt, 15 percent below 2007's February 1 holdings. Disappearance to February 1 in the state totaled 6.9 million cwt, compared with 6.7 million cwt a year earlier. Storage accounted for 58 percent of Maine's total production, compared with the previous five-year average of 60 percent. Of the stocks on hand February 1 in Maine, 56 percent were russet varieties, 40 percent were round whites, two percent were reds, and two percent were yellows.

The 13 major potato states held 206 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2008, up seven percent from last year and nine percent above February 1, 2006. Potatoes in storage accounted for 52 percent of the 2007 fall storage states' production, up three percentage points from last year. Potato disappearance, at 194 million cwt, was down one percent from last year but up five percent from 2006. Season to date shrink and loss, at 18.0 million cwt, was down two percent from the same date in 2007 but seven percent above 2006. Processors in the nine major states have used 104 million cwt of potatoes this season, down four percent from the same time last year but eight percent above two years ago. Dehydrating usage accounted for 20.9 million cwt of the total processing, down 12 percent from last year but nine percent above the same date in 2006.

**CATTLE AND CALVES:** New England's cattle and calf inventory on January 1, 2008, totaled 491,100 head, up 0.7 percent from the previous year's inventory. Calves born in New England during 2007 totaled 215,300, down 1.4 percent from the 2006 calf crop. Value per head for New England was \$1,420 as of January 1, 2008, an increase of eleven percent from last year. This value is 44 percent higher than the national value of \$987.

**SHEEP AND GOATS:** The New England sheep and lamb inventory on January 1, 2008, totaled 48,000 head, an increase of 4,000 head from a year earlier. Breeding stock totaled 40,500 head at the first of the year, an 11 percent increase from 2007. There were 36,000 lambs born on New England farms during 2007, compared to 32,000 born during 2006. There were nearly 6.1 million sheep and lambs on the nation's farms, a decrease of two percent from the previous year.

The New England goat and kid inventory on January 1, 2008 totaled 25,500 head, increasing 3,400 head from the previous year. Meat and other goats totaled 12,600 head and accounted for almost half of the New England goat population. Angora goats totaled 1,300 head, up 300 head from 2007. Milk goats totaled 11,600 head, an increase of 2,600 head from the previous year. Nationally, Angora goats decreased 12 percent, whereas, milk goats and meat and other goats increased four percent.

**ANNUAL CHICKENS:** As of December 1, 2007, the New England's (excluding Rhode Island) **chicken** inventory totaled 9.7 million birds, a decrease of 6.5 percent from the previous year. Egg-laying hens (layers) accounted for 7.4 million birds, or 76.6 percent of the total inventory. Maine was the largest contributor to New England's chicken inventory, accounting for 55.8 percent of the total birds and 52.8 percent of layers. Total value of inventory for all chickens within the five states was placed at \$25.4 million in 2007, \$1.5 million less than the 2006 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 2007 totaled 4.05 billion pounds, a decrease of 1.9 percent from the 2006 total of 4.12 billion pounds. The average number of milk cows on New England farms totaled 222,100 head during 2007, a decrease of 2,000 cows from the previous year. Milk per cow decreased from 18,398 pounds in 2006 to 18,217 pounds in 2007.

**FARM NUMBERS:** The New England farm count for 2007 totaled 27,850 farms, a loss of 100 farms from a year earlier. Of the total farm count, 66 percent, or 18,440 farms had less than \$10,000 in sales in 2007. Land in farms in the six-state region, at 3.97 million acres, decreased 20,000 acres from 2006. 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, these reductions occurred in the state of Vermont; farm and farmland totals remained unchanged in the other five states. Maine accounted for the most land in farms in New England in 2007 with 1.36 million acres, followed by Vermont with 1.22 million acres. The average size of a farm in New England was 143 acres in 2007, ranging from 71 acres per farm in the highly populated state of Rhode Island to 197 acres per farm in the dairy state of Vermont.

## FIELD CROPS: Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 2006 – 2007

Crops	Area Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production		Price per Unit		Value of Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Acres		Cwt		1,000 Cwt		Dollars per Cwt		1,000 Dollars	
<b>Fall Potatoes</b>										
Maine	58.0	57.0	310	290	17,980	16,530	7.80	7.50	140,244	123,975
Massachusetts	3.1	2.7	240	295	744	797	10.10	8.80	7,514	7,014
Rhode Island	0.5	0.6	260	300	130	180	10.40	8.80	1,352	1,584
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>60.3</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>18,854</b>	<b>17,507</b>	<b>7.91</b>	<b>7.57</b>	<b>149,110</b>	<b>132,573</b>
<b>Oats for Grain</b>										
			Bushels		1,000 Bushels		Dollars per Bushel		1,000 Dollars	
Maine	30	30	55	70	1,650	2,100	1.38	1.90	2,277	3,990
<b>Barley for Grain</b>										
Maine	17	17	50	70	850	1,190	1.85	2.55	1,573	3,035
<b>Corn for Silage</b>										
			Tons		1,000 Tons		Dollars per Ton		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	26	24	17.5	19.5	455	468	31.00	33.00	14,105	15,444
Maine	24	25	17.0	18.0	408	450	31.00	33.00	12,648	14,850
Massachusetts	15	15	19.0	20.0	285	300	33.00	35.00	9,405	10,500
New Hampshire	14	14	18.0	20.0	252	280	31.00	34.00	7,812	9,520
Rhode Island	2	2	20.5	20.0	41	40	32.00	34.00	1,312	1,360
Vermont	81	87	13.0	19.5	1,053	1,697	31.50	34.00	33,170	57,698
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>2,494</b>	<b>3,235</b>	<b>31.46</b>	<b>33.81</b>	<b>78,452</b>	<b>109,372</b>
<b>Dry Hay (Baled Hay)</b>										
<b>Alfalfa</b>										
Connecticut	7	8	2.10	2.50	15	20	210.00	200.00	3,150	4,000
Maine	10	9	1.90	2.60	19	23	176.00	177.00	3,344	4,071
Massachusetts	13	7	2.30	2.40	30	17	204.00	206.00	6,120	3,502
New Hampshire	8	6	2.40	2.10	19	13	212.00	209.00	4,028	2,717
Rhode Island	1	1	3.00	2.30	3	2	205.00	204.00	615	408
Vermont	45	40	2.00	1.70	90	68	174.00	183.00	15,660	12,444
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2.10</b>	<b>2.01</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>187.03</b>	<b>189.80</b>	<b>32,917</b>	<b>27,142</b>
<b>Other Hay</b>										
Connecticut	55	53	1.90	1.80	105	95	181.00	178.00	19,005	16,910
Maine	130	140	1.80	1.70	234	238	146.00	143.00	34,164	34,034
Massachusetts	70	75	2.00	1.80	140	135	174.00	177.00	24,360	23,895
New Hampshire	43	40	2.00	1.80	86	72	173.00	173.00	14,878	12,456
Rhode Island	6	7	2.30	2.00	14	14	176.00	178.00	2,464	2,492
Vermont	205	180	1.50	1.90	308	342	136.00	138.00	41,888	47,196
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>1.74</b>	<b>1.81</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>154.18</b>	<b>152.88</b>	<b>136,759</b>	<b>136,983</b>
<b>All Hay</b>										
Connecticut	62	61	1.94	1.89	120	115	185.00	182.00	22,155	20,910
Maine	140	149	1.81	1.75	253	261	148.00	146.00	37,508	38,105
Massachusetts	83	82	2.05	1.85	170	152	179.00	180.00	30,480	27,397
New Hampshire	51	46	2.06	1.85	105	85	180.00	179.00	18,906	15,173
Rhode Island	7	8	2.43	2.00	17	16	181.00	181.00	3,079	2,900
Vermont	250	220	1.59	1.86	398	410	145.00	145.00	57,548	59,640
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>1.79</b>	<b>1.84</b>	<b>1,063</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>159.62</b>	<b>157.96</b>	<b>169,676</b>	<b>164,125</b>
<b>Tobacco</b>										
	Acres		Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Dollars per Pound		1,000 Dollars	
<b>Broadleaf (Type 51)</b>										
Connecticut	1,650	1,900	1,760	1,750	2,904	3,325	6.50	6.30	18,876	20,948
Massachusetts	950	1,100	1,610	1,700	1,530	1,870	6.75	6.30	10,328	11,781
<b>CT and MA TOTAL</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>1,732</b>	<b>4,434</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>6.59</b>	<b>6.30</b>	<b>29,204</b>	<b>32,729</b>
<b>Shade (Type 61) <sup>1</sup></b>										
Connecticut	850	1,000	1,140	1,450	969	1,450	—	—	—	—
Massachusetts	200	220	1,310	1,400	262	308	—	—	—	—
<b>CT and MA TOTAL</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>1,441</b>	<b>1,231</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>21.70</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>26,712</b>	<b>—</b>

<sup>1</sup> CT and MA 2006 shade tobacco price and value combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations. The 2007 CT and MA shade tobacco price will be published in February, 2009.

SOURCE: *Crop Production - Annual Summary*, 8:30 a.m., January 11, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.  
*Crop Values*, 3:00 p.m., February 14, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**FALL POTATOES: Production and February 1 Stocks, 2007 – 2008<sup>1</sup>**

State	2006 Crop			2007 Crop		
	Production	Stocks February 1, 2007	Stocks as Percentage of Production	Production	Stocks February 1, 2008	Stocks as Percentage of Production
	1,000 Cwt		Percent	1,000 Cwt		Percent
California	3,870	1,300	34	4,223	1,400	33
Colorado	22,686	13,100	58	20,981	11,200	53
Idaho	128,915	70,000	54	131,650	74,000	56
<b>Maine</b>	<b>17,980</b>	<b>11,300</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>16,530</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>58</b>
Michigan	14,190	4,600	32	14,700	6,200	42
Minnesota	20,400	10,000	49	20,680	9,900	48
Montana	3,518	3,200	91	3,696	3,600	97
Nebraska	8,730	4,000	46	8,051	3,700	46
New York	5,700	1,400	25	5,216	1,200	23
North Dakota	25,480	12,000	47	23,660	10,000	42
Oregon	18,533	11,700	63	20,238	13,900	69
Washington	89,900	36,500	41	102,300	48,000	47
Wisconsin	29,370	13,500	46	28,160	13,500	48
<b>13 STATES</b>	<b>389,272</b>	<b>192,600</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>400,085</b>	<b>206,200</b>	<b>52</b>
Klamath Basin <sup>2</sup>		2,600			2,700	

<sup>1</sup> Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2007 totaled 26.4 million cwt.

<sup>2</sup> Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon.

SOURCE: *Potato Stocks*, 3:00 p.m., February 15, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**POTATOES: Shrinkage and Loss, 13 Fall Storage States, 2004 – 2007**

Crop Year	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1	To Mar 1	To Apr 1	To May 1	To Jun 1	Season
Million Cwt								
2004 <sup>1</sup>	15.5	19.1	22.0	24.8	27.3	29.7	32.5	35.4
2005	12.7	15.0	16.8	18.4	20.2	22.0	23.7	26.4
2006	13.2	16.1	18.4	20.4	22.3	24.0	25.5	27.8
2007	13.9	16.0	18.0					

<sup>1</sup> 15 fall storage states.

SOURCE: *Potato Stocks*, 3:00 p.m., February 15, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**MAINE POTATOES: Prices Received, 2003 – 2007 Crop Years  
Prices Received by Farmers for All Potatoes, Monthly and Marketing Year Average<sup>1</sup>**

Crop Year	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Market Year Average
Dollars per Cwt												
2003	6.00	5.25	5.45	5.85	5.70	5.80	5.70	6.10	6.30	6.75	7.05	6.05
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	*	6.10	6.25	7.20	7.30	7.45	7.55					

<sup>1</sup> Average price of potatoes sold for fresh market, processing, seed, and feed.

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

SOURCE: *Agricultural Prices*, 3:00 p.m., February 29, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**FARMS: Number, Size and Land in Farms, 2006 – 2007<sup>1</sup>**

State	Farms		Average Size of Farm		Land in Farms	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Number		Acres		1,000 Acres	
Connecticut	4,200	4,200	86	86	360	360
Maine	7,100	7,100	192	192	1,360	1,360
Massachusetts	6,100	6,100	85	85	520	520
New Hampshire	3,400	3,400	132	132	450	450
Rhode Island	850	850	71	71	60	60
Vermont	6,300	6,200	197	197	1,240	1,220
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>27,950</b>	<b>27,850</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>3,990</b>	<b>3,970</b>
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>2,088,790</b>	<b>2,075,510</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>932,430</b>	<b>930,920</b>

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

SOURCE: *Farms, Land in Farms, and Livestock Operations – 2007 Summary* 3:00 p.m., February 1, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.



## ANNUAL GOATS: Inventory by Class and Total Inventory, January 1, 2007 – 2008

State	Angora Goats		Milk Goats		Meat and Other Goats		All Goats	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	Head							
New York	1,000	*	12,000	13,000	18,800	20,500	31,800	*
Pennsylvania	*	*	11,800	13,000	38,000	40,000	*	*
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	1,000	1,300	9,000	11,600	12,100	12,600	22,100	25,500
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	238,000	210,000	294,000	305,000	2,402,000	2,500,000	2,934,000	3,015,000

\* Individual state values unavailable.

SOURCE: *Sheep and Goats*, 3:00p.m., February 1, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

LIVESTOCK: Number of Operations, 2006 – 2007 <sup>1</sup>

State	Cattle and Calf Operations		Beef Cow Operations <sup>2</sup>		Milk Cow Operations <sup>2</sup>		Licensed Dairy Herds <sup>3</sup>		Hog and Pig Operations		Sheep and Lamb Operations <sup>4</sup>	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Number											
Connecticut	1,000	1,000	700	700	220	210	170	150	250	250	—	—
Maine	1,700	1,600	1,000	900	460	440	350	340	370	400	—	—
Massachusetts	1,100	1,100	750	700	240	230	190	180	300	300	—	—
New Hampshire	850	800	520	520	200	190	130	130	300	300	—	—
Rhode Island	210	210	140	140	30	30	15	15	50	60	—	—
Vermont	2,400	2,300	1,000	1,000	1,300	1,200	1,170	1,120	280	300	—	—
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	7,260	7,010	4,110	3,960	2,450	2,300	2,025	1,935	1,550	1,610	2,050	2,200
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	971,400	967,440	762,880	757,900	74,980	71,510	62,070	59,135	65,940	65,640	69,470	70,590

<sup>1</sup> An operation is any place having one or more head of specified livestock on hand at anytime during the year.

<sup>2</sup> Included in operations with cattle.

<sup>3</sup> The average number of dairy farms licensed to sell milk, based on counts collected from state and other regulatory agencies.

<sup>4</sup> Number of Sheep and Lamb Operations by state is unavailable.

SOURCE: *Farms, Land in Farms, and Livestock Operations – 2007 Summary* 3:00 p.m., February 1, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

*Milk Production*, 3:00 pm, February 15, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

VERMONT MILK: 2003 – 2008 Prices Received by Farmers for Milk Sold <sup>1</sup>

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Average
	Price per Cwt												
2003	12.30	11.90	11.50	11.40	11.50	11.50	12.10	13.40	15.00	15.80	15.50	14.80	13.00
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	15.60	15.80	16.70	17.60	19.00	21.00	23.20	23.40	23.60	23.20	23.60	23.00	*
2008 <sup>2</sup>	22.40												

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

<sup>2</sup> Most recent monthly price is a preliminary mid-month forecast.

\* 2007 Annual average will be available in April 2008.

SOURCE: *Agricultural Prices*, 3:00 p.m., January 31, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

## MONTHLY MILK: Number of Cows and Production, January 2008 with Comparisons

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>			Production per Cow			Production <sup>2</sup>		
	January 2007	December 2007	January 2008	January 2007	December 2007	January 2008	January 2007	December 2007	January 2008
	1,000Head			Pounds			Million Pounds		
Vermont	140	140	140	1,560	1,545	1,570	218	216	220
New York	628	626	626	1,610	1,620	1,650	1,011	1,014	1,033
Pennsylvania	549	550	552	1,640	1,620	1,630	900	891	900
<b>UNITED STATES <sup>3</sup></b>	8,284	8,389	8,404	1,726	1,718	1,743	14,302	14,414	14,648

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup> 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 15, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

## MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY MILK: Number of Cows and Production, 2006 – 2007

State and Month	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Production per Cow		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds	
<b>Connecticut</b>						
January – March	20.0	19.0	4,870	4,960	97.0	94.0
April – June	19.5	19.0	4,890	4,940	95.0	94.0
July – September	19.0	19.0	4,550	4,690	86.0	89.0
October – December	19.0	19.0	4,680	4,610	89.0	88.0
Annual	19.0	19.0	19,316	19,211	367.0	365.0
<b>Maine</b>						
January – March	32.0	32.0	4,375	4,420	140.0	141.0
April – June	32.0	32.0	4,600	4,620	147.0	148.0
July – September	32.0	33.0	4,560	4,580	146.0	151.0
October – December	32.0	33.0	4,400	4,450	141.0	147.0
Annual	32.0	33.0	17,938	17,788	574.0	587.0
<b>Massachusetts</b>						
January – March	16.0	15.0	4,500	4,360	72.0	65.0
April – June	16.0	15.0	4,560	4,360	73.0	65.0
July – September	15.5	14.5	4,360	4,320	68.0	63.0
October – December	15.5	14.5	4,200	4,250	65.0	62.0
Annual	16.0	15.0	17,375	17,000	278.0	255.0
<b>New Hampshire</b>						
January – March	15.5	14.5	4,940	4,990	77.0	72.0
April – June	15.0	14.5	5,040	5,070	76.0	74.0
July – September	15.0	14.5	4,700	4,980	71.0	72.0
October – December	14.5	14.0	4,760	5,130	69.0	72.0
Annual	15.0	14.0	19,533	20,714	293.0	290.0
<b>Rhode Island</b>						
January – March	1.1	1.1	4,180	4,000	4.6	4.4
April – June	1.1	1.1	4,550	4,210	5.0	4.6
July – September	1.1	1.1	4,360	4,140	4.8	4.6
October – December	1.1	1.1	4,200	4,110	4.6	4.5
Annual	1.1	1.1	17,273	16,455	19.0	18.1
<b>Vermont</b>						
January – March	143.0	140.0	4,636	4,479	663.0	627.0
April – June	142.0	140.0	4,732	4,550	672.0	637.0
July – September	141.0	139.0	4,496	4,568	634.0	635.0
October – December	140.0	140.0	4,450	4,514	623.0	632.0
Annual	141.0	140.0	18,383	18,079	2,592.0	2,531.0
<b>Vermont</b>						
January	143.0	140.0	1,580	1,560	226.0	218.0
February	143.0	140.0	1,450	1,385	207.0	194.0
March	143.0	140.0	1,610	1,535	230.0	215.0
April	143.0	140.0	1,560	1,495	223.0	209.0
May	142.0	140.0	1,630	1,555	231.0	218.0
June	141.0	139.0	1,545	1,510	218.0	210.0
July	141.0	139.0	1,540	1,555	217.0	216.0
August	141.0	139.0	1,510	1,540	213.0	214.0
September	140.0	140.0	1,460	1,465	204.0	205.0
October	140.0	140.0	1,485	1,510	208.0	211.0
November	140.0	140.0	1,445	1,465	202.0	205.0
December	140.0	140.0	1,520	1,545	213.0	216.0
Annual	141.0	140.0	18,383	18,079	2,592.0	2,531.0
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>						
January – March	227.6	221.6	4,629	4,528	1,053.6	1,003.4
April – June	225.6	221.6	4,734	4,615	1,068.0	1,022.6
July – September	223.6	221.1	4,516	4,589	1,009.8	1,014.6
October – December	222.1	221.6	4,465	4,537	991.6	1,005.5
Annual	224.1	222.1	18,398	18,217	4,123.0	4,046.1
<b>UNITED STATES, ANNUAL</b>	9,112.0	9,158.0	19,951	20,267	181,796.0	185,602.0

<sup>1</sup> Average number, including dry cows.SOURCE: *Milk Production*, 3:00 p.m., February 15, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**MONTHLY CHICKENS: Layers and Egg Production, January 2007 – 2008**

State	Table Egg Layers in Flocks 30,000 and Above		All Layers <sup>1</sup>		Eggs per 100 for All Layers <sup>1</sup>		Egg Production from All Layers <sup>1</sup>	
	January 2007	January 2008	January 2007	January 2008	January 2007	January 2008	January 2007	January 2008
	1,000 Birds				Number		Million Eggs	
Connecticut	2,929	2,875	2,982	2,927	2,381	2,289	71	67
Maine	3,931	3,994	3,997	4,066	2,077	2,115	83	86
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	284,515	279,472	348,897	345,105	2,200	2,220	7,675	7,663

<sup>1</sup> 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 29, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**ANNUAL CHICKENS: Inventory by Class and Total Inventory, December 1, 2006 – 2007 <sup>1</sup>**

State	Total Layers		Total Pullets		Other Chickens		All Chickens	
	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007
	1,000 Birds							
Connecticut	3,000	2,985	947	655	7	10	3,954	3,650
Maine	3,881	3,909	1,793	1,479	3	4	5,677	5,392
Massachusetts	234	114	12	7	0	0	246	121
New Hampshire	149	172	69	91	5	6	223	269
Vermont	206	222	28	7	1	1	235	230
<b>NEW ENGLAND <sup>3</sup></b>	7,470	7,402	2,849	2,239	16	21	10,335	9,662
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	349,888	344,492	96,596	102,301	7,938	8,109	454,422	454,902

<sup>1</sup> Excludes commercial broilers.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

<sup>3</sup> New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.

SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs - Annual Summary*, 3:00 p.m., February 28, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**ANNUAL CHICKENS: Inventory and Value, December 1, 2006 – 2007 <sup>1</sup>**

State	All Chickens		Value Per Bird		Value of Inventory	
	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>2</sup>	2007
	1,000 Birds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	3,954	3,650	2.70	2.80	10,676	10,220
Maine	5,677	5,392	2.40	2.40	13,625	12,941
Massachusetts	246	121	5.00	4.20	1,230	508
New Hampshire	223	269	4.30	4.30	959	1,157
Vermont	235	230	1.90	2.70	447	621
<b>NEW ENGLAND <sup>3</sup></b>	10,335	9,662	2.61	2.63	26,937	25,447
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	454,422	454,902	2.61	2.95	1,184,728	1,343,884

<sup>1</sup> Excludes commercial broilers.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

<sup>3</sup> New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.

SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs - Annual Summary*, 3:00 p.m., February 28, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**ANNUAL LAYERS AND EGGS: Average Number of Layers and Eggs Produced, 2006 – 2007 <sup>1 2</sup>**

State	Average Number of Layers		Eggs per Layer <sup>3</sup>		Total Egg Production	
	2006 <sup>4</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>4</sup>	2007	2006 <sup>4</sup>	2007
	1,000 Birds		Number		Million Eggs	
Connecticut	2,818	2,887	281	282	791	814
Maine	4,026	3,903	264	260	1,064	1,013
Massachusetts	246	179	289	290	71	52
New Hampshire	145	154	249	273	36	42
Vermont	196	209	281	283	55	59
<b>NEW ENGLAND <sup>5</sup></b>	7,431	7,332	271	270	2,017	1,980
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	347,880	344,385	263	263	91,328	90,581

<sup>1</sup> Annual estimates cover the period December 1, 2006, through November 30, 2007.

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

<sup>3</sup> Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

<sup>4</sup> Revised.

<sup>5</sup> New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, and VT.

SOURCE: *Chickens and Eggs - Annual Summary*, 3:00 p.m., February 28, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

## MONTHLY DAIRY PRODUCTS: New England Production, December 2007 with Comparisons

Product	December 2006 <sup>4</sup>	November 2007 <sup>4</sup>	December 2007	December 2007 as percent of:	
				December 2006	November 2007
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
Butter	1,995	1,500	1,424	71	95
American Type Cheese <sup>1</sup>	6,237	6,476	5,819	93	90
Mozzarella Cheese	3,437	2,828	3,062	89	108
Other Italian Cheese <sup>2</sup>	618	664	438	71	66
Cottage Cheese <sup>3</sup>	468	559	397	85	71
	1,000 Gallons			Percent	
Ice Cream, Hard	4,992	4,880	4,808	96	99
Low Fat Ice Cream, Hard	603	990	504	84	51
Milk Sherbet, Hard	93	114	72	77	63

<sup>1</sup> American type cheese includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.

<sup>2</sup> Includes all Italian cheese except Mozzarella.

<sup>3</sup> Creamed and low fat.

<sup>4</sup> Revised.

SOURCE of NATIONAL PRODUCTION: *Dairy Products*, 3:00 p.m., February 4, 2008, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

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