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DECEMBER 2007 REVIEW

On the western side of the State, gale force winds with gusts exceeding 65 miles per hour roared through the region on December 14, 2007 leaving a path of destruction across the rural landscape not seen since the historical Columbus Day storm of October 12, 1962. Serious flooding occurred in Lewis County, killing hundreds of cattle. Initial reports from Christmas tree growers suggest the year was about average in both retail and wholesale trees. On the eastern side, moisture conditions improved during December in most areas. The winter wheat was in mostly good condition, but somewhat smaller due to drought conditions last fall. Elsewhere, cattle were in good shape and the cold weather did not appear to have been harmful.

GRAIN STOCKS: DEC. 1, 2006, SEP. 1, 2007, & DEC. 1, 2007

Crop/ Quarter	Washington			Pacific Northwest 1/			United States		
	On-Farm	Off-Farm 2/	Total	On-Farm	Off-Farm 2/	Total	On-Farm	Off-Farm 2/	Total
Wheat	1,000 Bushels								
Dec. 1, 2006	14,500	91,328	105,828	44,500	136,087	180,587	403,250	911,408	1,314,658
Sep. 1, 2007 3/	15,000	101,302	116,302	46,000	162,888	208,888	495,000	1,221,927	1,716,927
Dec. 1, 2007	7,500	62,873	70,373	26,500	102,418	128,918	289,540	838,371	1,127,911
Barley									
Dec. 1, 2006	1,300	5,644	6,944	21,450	31,905	53,355	83,650	89,171	172,821
Sep. 1, 2007 3/	2,000	9,051	11,051	22,500	33,863	56,363	105,600	83,095	188,695
Dec. 1, 2007	900	5,741	6,641	13,600	24,247	37,847	62,050	73,028	135,078
Oats									
Dec. 1, 2006	*	178	*	*	625	*	53,000	45,889	98,889
Sep. 1, 2007 3/	*	98	*	*	811	*	53,650	34,710	88,360
Dec. 1, 2007	*	101	*	*	617	*	43,100	51,370	94,470
Corn									
Dec. 1, 2006	*	5,740	*	*	10,443	*	5,627,000	3,305,707	8,932,707
Sep. 1, 2007 3/	*	3,758	*	*	5,142	*	460,100	843,547	1,303,647
Dec. 1, 2007	*	11,921	*	*	16,601	*	6,530,000	3,738,599	10,268,599

1/ Includes Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. 2/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors. 3/ Revised. * "Off farms unallocated" includes State data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations; "on farms unallocated" includes minor producing States' data not published separately.

ANNUAL FIELD CROP SUMMARY

Crop	Washington Summary				Pacific NW 1/				United States			
	Harvested		Unit	Yield		Production		Production		Production		
	2006	2007		2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	
	1,000 Acres			1,000		1,000		1,000		1,000		
All Wheat 4/	2,225	2,137	Bu.	62.9	60.2	140,050	128,722	274,805	259,182	1,812,036	2,066,722	
Winter Wheat	1,800	1,690	Bu.	66.0	64.0	118,800	108,160	212,160	200,415	1,298,081	1,515,989	
Spring Wheat	425	447	Bu.	50.0	46.0	21,250	20,562	61,310	57,522	460,480	479,047	
Barley	190	225	Bu.	63.0	60.0	11,970	13,500	57,246	59,991	180,165	211,825	
Oats	8	9	Bu.	86.0	61.0	688	549	4,028	3,815	93,638	91,599	
Corn, Grain	75	120	Bu.	210.0	210.0	15,750	25,200	32,020	49,350	10,534,868	13,073,893	
Corn, Silage	65	75	Tons	27.0	27.0	1,755	2,025	7,827	8,075	105,129	106,328	
All Hay	770	790	Tons	4.04	4.38	3,113	3,461	12,089	11,851	142,336	150,304	
Alfalfa	440	440	Tons	4.9	5.4	2,156	2,376	9,122	8,816	72,006	72,575	
Other	330	350	Tons	2.9	3.1	957	1,085	2,967	3,035	70,330	77,729	
Peppermint	24	23	Lbs.	115	120	2,760	2,760	6,301	6,147	7,248	6,794	
Spearmint	11.5	12.7	Lbs.	130	140	1,498	1,778	1,802	2,175	2,038	2,379	
Native	7.0	7.2	Lbs.	140	145	980	1,044	-	-	-	-	
Scotch	4.5	5.5	Lbs.	115	134	518	734	-	-	-	-	
Sugarbeets	2.0	2.0	Tons	37.0	42.0	74	84	6,396	6,180	34,064	31,912	
Dry Edible Beans 2/	60.5	60.0	Cwt.	16.0	17.0	968	1,020	3,064	2,768	24,247	25,371	
Dry Edible Peas 3/	66	66	Cwt.	18.0	19.8	1,188	1,307	1,818	1,814	13,203	15,903	
Lentils	76	67	Cwt.	1.0	1.2	760	804	1,226	1,230	3,244	3,408	
Hops	21.5	22.7	Lbs.	2,058	2,049	44,312.9	46,605.4	57,671.8	60,253.1	57,671.8	60,253.1	
Potatoes, Fall	155	165	Cwt.	580	620	89,900	102,300	237,348	254,188	441,348	449,156	

1/ Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington; lentils exclude Oregon. 2/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed. Yield and production are on a clean basis. 3/ Excludes both wrinkled seed peas and Austrian winter peas. 4/ Excludes durum.



Washington's 2008 Winter Wheat Seedings Up 2 Percent from Last Year

Washington winter wheat growers have seeded an estimated 1.75 million acres of winter wheat for harvest in 2008.

This is 2 percent above the 2007 crop but 5 percent below the 2006 crop. Nationally, planted area for harvest in 2008 is estimated at 46.6 million acres, up 4 percent from 2007. Winter wheat seeded in the Pacific Northwest (Washington, Oregon and Idaho) totaled 3.43 million acres, 7 percent above the 2007 crop. Idaho growers seeded 900,000 acres, 20 percent more than they did in the last two years and the highest since 1997's 910,000 acres. Oregon farmers planted 780,000 acres, 4 percent more than last year. Seeding began ahead of normal in all three states with some concerns about moisture supplies in Washington going into the winter months. By the first week of November, virtually all fields had been seeded in the region with 89 percent of the acres emerged in Washington, 76 percent in Idaho, and 60 percent in Oregon.

Seeding in the U. S. began last August - behind the 5-year average pace and remained behind until mid-November due to a lack of moisture in the Great Plains during much of the seeding period. Nearly all the U. S. acreage was seeded by December 1 with the exception of some intended acres in the Southeast and California. Seeding was completed by the end of December in California. The winter wheat crop condition at the end of November was rated at 44 percent good to excellent compared with 53 percent the previous year.

Hard Red Winter (HRW) wheat seeded area is about 32.5 million acres, down 1 percent from 2007. **Soft Red Winter (SRW)** area, at about 10.5 million acres, is up 21 percent from last year. Large acreage increases from last year occurred in all SRW growing States due largely to strong prices and ideal planting and germination conditions. **White Winter** wheat seeded area totals nearly 3.65 million acres, up 7 percent from 2007.

Winter Wheat: Area Seeded, by State & United States, 2006-2008

State	Crop			2008/ 2007	State	Crop			2008/ 2007
	2006	2007	2008			2006	2007	2008	
	1,000 Acres			Percent		1,000 Acres			Percent
Alabama	100	120	170	142	Nevada	17	17	11	65
Arizona	4	6	10	167	New Jersey	25	31	34	110
Arkansas	365	820	870	106	New Mexico	440	490	480	98
California	450	500	600	120	N. York	105	100	125	125
Colorado	2,150	2,500	2,400	96	N. Carolina	560	630	800	127
Delaware	48	57	80	140	N. Dakota	200	465	650	140
Florida	8	13	18	138	Ohio	990	820	1,020	124
Georgia	230	360	480	133	Oklahoma	5,700	5,900	5,700	97
Idaho	750	750	900	120	Oregon	760	750	780	104
Illinois	930	1,000	1,200	120	Pennsylvania	160	170	180	106
Indiana	470	420	550	131	S. Carolina	130	160	170	106
Iowa	25	35	50	143	S. Dakota	1,450	2,100	1,900	90
Kansas	9,800	10,400	9,900	95	Tennessee	280	420	620	148
Kentucky	430	450	530	120	Texas	5,550	6,200	6,000	97
Louisiana	115	235	400	170	Utah	130	135	130	96
Maryland	210	220	250	114	Virginia	190	230	280	122
Michigan	660	560	780	139	Washington	1,850	1,720	1,750	102
Minnesota	50	65	70	108	W. Virginia	8	8	12	150
Mississippi	85	370	400	108	Wisconsin	250	290	330	114
Missouri	1,000	1,050	1,200	114	Wyoming	150	140	130	93
Montana	1,950	2,240	2,700	121	United States	40,575	44,987	46,610	104
Nebraska	1,800	2,050	1,950	95					

Wheat: Production by Class, United States, 2005-2007 1/

Year	Winter					Spring					Total
	Hard Red	Soft Red	Hard White	Soft White	All White	Hard Red	Hard White	Soft White	All White	Durum	
1,000 Bushels											
2005	929,820	309,021	25,279	235,009	260,288	466,587	4,530	33,339	37,869	101,105	2,104,690
2006	682,079	390,165	13,284	212,553	225,837	432,339	6,226	21,915	28,141	53,475	1,812,036
2007	961,588	357,897	21,460	175,044	196,504	448,904	5,589	24,554	30,143	71,686	2,066,722

1/ Wheat class estimates are based on the latest available data including both survey and administrative data.

FORAGE PRODUCTION, WASHINGTON, 2007

	Harvested		Yield		Production		Dry Equivalent	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Acres		Tons		1,000 Tons			
Greenchop & haylage:								
Alfalfa	20	15	8.50	10.53	170	158	84	78
Other	60	63	11.00	10.00	660	630	326	311
Total	80	78	10.38	10.10	830	788	410	389
Forage:								
Alfalfa	455	450	4.92	5.45	2,240	2,454		
Other	365	395	3.52	3.53	1,283	1,396		
Total	820	845	4.30	4.56	3,523	3,850		

Forage production includes all forms of harvested hay on a dry equivalent basis. Haylage production is based on haylage weight at harvest and then converted to dry equivalent production. Factors used were: one ton of dry, baled hay = 0.87 tons dry matter; one ton of haylage = 0.45 tons dry matter; one ton of greenchop = 0.25 tons dry matter; greenchop = 10 percent of haylage production. The combined conversion factor is .4943 to convert greenchop and haylage to dry weight equivalent.

HAY STOCKS



Crop Year	Washington	Oregon	Idaho	United States
1,000 Tons				
2006:				
Production	3,113	3,256	5,720	142,336
Stocks:				
Dec. 1, 2006	1,339	1,840	2,575	96,555
May 1, 2007	240	180	320	15,013
2007:				
Production	3,461	2,960	5,430	150,304
Stocks:				
Dec. 1, 2007	1,385	1,700	2,400	103,986

PRICES RECEIVED

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR FARM PRODUCTS (DOLLAR/UNIT)

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Mid-Month	Entire Month		Mid-Month	U.S. Parity Price
		Dec. 2006	Nov. 2007	Dec. 2007	Dec. 2006	Nov. 2007	Dec. 2007	
Washington				United States				
Wheat, All	Bu.	4.54	7.94	11.70	4.52	7.36	9.41	11.20
Wheat, Winter	Bu.	4.47	7.93	11.70	4.53	7.32	9.22	-
Wheat, Durum	Bu.	-	-	-	4.74	11.10	14.70	-
Wheat, Spring	Bu.	4.79	7.97	11.60	4.48	7.02	9.16	-
Barley, All	Bu.	3.53	5.74	5.53	2.93	4.34	4.81	7.83
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	3.01	3.43	3.88	8.31
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	2.01	2.73	2.71	4.65
Lentils	Cwt.	-	-	-	11.60	24.30	26.20	-
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	21.80	28.40	27.20	58.80
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt.	-	-	-	7.02	12.90	15.30	-
Chickpeas, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	25.10	26.90	32.20	-
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	6.80	6.00	6.40	6.79	6.47	6.75	17.70
Potatoes, Processing	Cwt.	6.00	5.20	-	5.96	5.60	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 1/	Tons	128.00	151.00	151.00	110.00	131.00	133.00	-
Alfalfa (baled) 1/	Tons	125.00	150.00	150.00	111.00	135.00	136.00	-
Other Hay (baled) 1/	Tons	135.00	155.00	155.00	107.00	123.00	126.00	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.41
Apples, Fresh 2/	Lbs.	0.291	0.347	0.354	0.310	0.345	0.348	0.651
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt.	-	-	-	83.10	89.70	89.10	220.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	89.00	95.90	95.50	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	116.00	119.00	119.00	316.00
Milk Cows 3/	Head	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Broilers, Live 4/	Lbs.	-	-	-	0.400	0.450	0.440	-
Eggs, Market 1/ 7/	Doz.	0.770	1.310	1.410	0.665	1.180	1.280	1.90
Milk, All Wholesale 5/ 6/	Cwt.	13.80	21.90	21.40	14.20	21.90	21.70	41.50
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	43.50	38.20	39.50	126.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	34.80	27.60	-	106.00
Lambs	Cwt.	-	-	-	94.00	97.30	-	257.00

1/ Mid-month price.

2/ Equivalent packinghouse door returns for apples for CA, MI, NY, and WA. Prices as sold for other states.

3/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement. Prices available for January, April, July, and October.

4/ Equivalent liveweight returns for producers. Includes growers and contractors.

5/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

6/ December 2007 Fat test percent: all milk, 3.80.

7/ Also referred to as table eggs.

