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## FARM LABOR HIRED WORKERS, WAGE RATES, PACIFIC REGION & UNITED STATES 1/2/

Month/ Year	Number of Workers 3/			Hours Worked 3/								
	Pacific	California	United States	Pacific	California	United States						
	<b>1,000 Workers</b>			<b>Hours Per Week</b>								
Jan 2005	38	143	589	35.9	40.1	37.0						
Apr	64	182	753	40.2	45.0	39.9						
Jul	109	206	936	39.3	45.3	40.6						
Oct	76	183	842	43.1	44.4	42.0						
Jan 2006	52	125	614	35.8	41.6	38.2						
Apr	65	137	720	37.5	43.0	40.8						
Jul	92	191	876	41.3	46.4	41.0						
Oct	85	*186	*800	41.9	*45.7	*41.9						
Jan 2007 4/												
Apr	63	176	736	38.5	45.5	40.7						
Jul	92	*188	*843	39.7	*46.9	*41.4						
Oct	75	177	806	40.7	45.7	42.1						
	<b>WAGE RATES 3/</b>											
Month/ Year	Field			Livestock			Field & Livestock			All		
	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.
	<b>Dollars Per Hour</b>											
Jan '05	9.32	8.56	8.71	9.90	9.93	9.20	9.39	8.86	8.90	10.33	9.82	9.78
Apr	8.87	8.62	8.56	10.78	9.60	9.14	9.23	8.76	8.72	9.95	9.48	9.35
Jul	8.60	8.76	8.61	10.67	10.66	9.26	8.80	9.00	8.78	9.21	9.68	9.38
Oct	8.96	9.21	8.90	9.58	10.45	9.15	9.00	9.37	8.96	9.62	10.13	9.61
Jan '06	9.36	8.99	9.11	10.47	10.50	9.26	9.48	9.20	9.17	10.25	10.30	9.78
Apr	9.24	8.93	8.95	10.13	10.80	9.31	9.45	9.21	9.06	10.10	10.18	9.78
Jul	9.50	8.92	8.93	11.06	10.24	9.49	9.59	9.09	9.07	10.15	9.89	9.72
Oct	10.25	*9.14	*9.26	11.00	*10.41	*9.42	10.31	*9.32	*9.30	10.85	*10.11	*9.96
Jan '07 4/												
Apr	9.39	9.62	9.35	9.70	10.90	9.59	9.45	9.82	9.42	10.24	10.71	10.20
Jul	9.64	*9.60	*9.24	10.65	*10.60	*9.73	9.71	*9.72	*9.37	10.41	*10.32	*9.99
Oct	10.48	9.70	9.62	11.07	10.80	9.98	10.55	9.86	9.72	11.30	10.56	10.33

\* Revised.

1/ Pacific Region includes Washington and Oregon.

2/ United States excludes Alaska.

3/ All hired farm workers and wage rates includes supervisor/manager and other workers which are not published separately.

4/ The January 2007 Farm Labor Survey was not conducted

The farm labor reference week is the week that included the 12th of the month.

## CATTLE ON FEED, 1,000 HEAD CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, 2007

ITEM	IDAHO	WASHINGTON	U.S. TOTAL
Cattle on Feed, Oct. 1 1/	210	154	10,967
Placed on Feed During Oct.	69	42	2,716
Fed Cattle Marketed During Oct.	43	29	1,876
Other Disappearances during Oct. 2/	1	1	47
Cattle on Feed, Nov. 1 1/	235	166	11,760

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION

Washington's egg production totaled 106 million during October 2007, 6 million less than the 112 million produced in 2006. All layers in Washington during October 2007 totaled 4,703,000, down 2.3 percent from a year ago. Eight percent of the layers in Washington were being molted as of November 1, while 40.5 percent of all the layers had completed at least one molting in their lifetime. United States egg production totaled 7.70 billion during October 2007, up slightly from the 7.68 billion produced in 2006. All layers in the United States during October 2007 totaled 341.5 million layers, down slightly from a year ago.

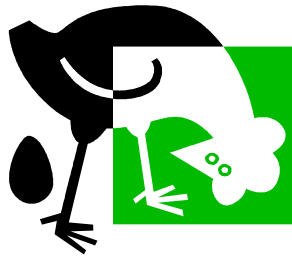
### LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION OCTOBER 2006-2007, SELECTED STATES

State & Year 1/		All Layers 2/	Eggs Per 100 Layers 2/	Egg Production	November 1 3/	
					Being Molted	Molt Complete 1/
		Thousand	Number	Million	Percent	
California	2006	19,060	2,225	424	3.0	36.5
	2007	18,853	2,207	416	4.0	32.0
Oregon	2006	2,741	2,517	69	7.5	31.0
	2007	2,601	2,461	64	3.5	34.0
<b>Washington</b>	2006	4,816	2,326	112	4.5	43.5
	<b>2007</b>	<b>4,703</b>	<b>2,254</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>40.5</b>
<b>United States</b>	2006	344,538	2,228	7,678	3.0	26.0
	<b>2007</b>	<b>341,490</b>	<b>2,253</b>	<b>7,695</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>23.8</b>

1/ 2007 preliminary, 2006 revised.

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

3/ As of the first of the month.



## Apples (Regular & Controlled Atmosphere) Stocks in Cold Storage, October 31

State	October 31					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>1,000 Pounds</b>						
<b>Washington</b>	<b>3,990,000</b>	<b>3,700,000</b>	<b>4,700,000</b>	<b>4,400,000</b>	<b>4,400,000</b>	<b>4,500,000</b>
New York	214,536	506,100	352,590	279,846	362,376	560,406
Michigan	237,062	438,345	336,351	351,515	383,675	322,867
Pennsylvania	222,436	291,284	280,000	259,434	256,326	234,318
Other States	584,517	571,866	621,713	530,856	547,650	432,641
<b>United States</b>	<b>5,248,551</b>	<b>5,507,595</b>	<b>6,290,654</b>	<b>5,821,651</b>	<b>5,950,027</b>	<b>6,050,232</b>

### COLD STORAGE

Washington State has always lead the United States in apple production and apple stocks. Over the past three decades, October 31 stocks have risen from slightly less than half of the U.S. total to around three quarters. October 31 apple stocks in New York, Michigan, and Pennsylvania have remained fairly steady since 1970.

Total fresh apples in storage for the United States on October 31, 2007, totaled 6.05 billion pounds, (144.1 million boxes). The quantity in storage was up 2 percent from last year's level. Frozen French fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast States and eight Mountain States on October 31, 2007, totaled 629.0 million pounds, and accounted for 69 percent of the nation's French fries in storage.

### SELECTED STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Oct. 31, 2006	Sep. 30, 2007	Oct. 31, 2007
<b>1,000 Pounds</b>			
Apples, Fresh			
Regular Storage	1,693,503	1,053,059	1,411,482
Controlled Atmosphere	4,256,524	1,936,993	4,638,750
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>5,950,027</b>	<b>2,990,052</b>	<b>6,050,232</b>
Potatoes, French Fries			
Mountain 1/	187,784	185,032	203,095
Pacific 2/	423,798	408,128	425,881
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>859,605</b>	<b>868,810</b>	<b>914,195</b>
Potatoes, Total			
Mountain 1/	240,788	247,389	275,809
Pacific 2/	502,621	476,047	490,258
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>1,066,599</b>	<b>1,079,967</b>	<b>1,135,127</b>

1/ Mountain states include: AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, & WY.

2/ Pacific states include: CA, OR, & WA.

# MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in Washington State during October 2007 totaled 467 million pounds, 16 million pounds more than in October 2006. September production, at 457 million pounds, was 11 million pounds lower than September 2006. Production per cow averaged 1,930 pounds for October, which was 20 pounds higher than 2006. The number of cows on farms in Washington was 242,000 head, 6,000 head more than October 2006.

Item	Month/Year	Idaho	Oregon	Washington	23 State Total 1/
Milk Cows 2/ (1,000 Head)	Oct. 2006	497	117	236	8,255
	Sep. 2007 *	521	114	240	8,340
	Oct. 2007	522	113	242	8,353
Milk Per Cow 3/ (Pounds)	Oct. 2006	1,870	1,570	1,910	1,652
	Sep. 2007 *	1,880	1,545	1,905	1,646
	Oct. 2007	1,890	1,560	1,930	1,699
Milk Production 3/ (Million Pounds)	Oct. 2006	929	184	451	13,637
	Sep. 2007 *	979	176	457	13,725
	Oct. 2007	987	176	467	14,190

1/ AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, TX, VT, VA, WA, & WI.

2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

\* Revised.

