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CRANBERRIES



The forecast for the 2008 U.S. cranberry crop is 6.89 million barrels, up 5 percent from 2007 and slightly below 2006. If realized, this will be the second largest production on record. Production is expected to be up in Massachusetts and Wisconsin but down in New Jersey, Oregon, and Washington. The Washington crop is forecast at 145,000 barrels, 18 percent below last year but up 27 percent from 2006. Cool spring weather is expected to delay berry maturity and reduce berry size. Many bogs are being replanted or

renovated. The Oregon cranberry forecast is 490,000 barrels, down 1 percent from last year and 5 percent above 2006. Cooler weather extended the bloom period and delayed berry maturity by two to three weeks. Disease pressure has increased slightly this year, while insect pressure remained at normal levels.

Production in Wisconsin is forecast at 3.85 million barrels, slightly above 2007 but 2 percent below two years ago. This is the second largest production level on record. A cool, wet spring delayed bloom and extended the growing season. Vine growth during the summer months started poorly due to high amounts of rain but improved as temperatures and sunlight increased in July. Furthermore, new and renovated beds have come into production this year, resulting in improved yields.

Cranberries: Area Harvested, Yield, Production & Utilization, Price & Value by State & United States, 2006-2008

State & Year		Area	Yield	Production		Utilization		Price Per	Value of
		Harvested	Per Acre 1/	Total	Utilized	Fresh	Processed	Barrel 2/	Util. Prod.
		Acres	Barrels 3/	Barre	els 3/	Barr	els 3/	Dollars	\$1,000
Massachusetts	2006	14,000	135.4	1,896,000	1,896,000	155,000	1,741,000	41.30	78,264
	2007	13,700	111.1	1,522,000	1,522,000	101,000	1,421,000	46.60	70,874
	2008 4/	-	-	1,900,000	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey 5/	2006	3,100	156.5	485,000	480,000	-	480,000	39.20	18,816
	2007	3,100	171.3	531,000	531,000	-	531,000	42.20	22,408
	2008	-	-	500,000	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon 5/	2006	2,700	172.2	465,000	465,000	-	465,000	48.30	22,460
	2007	2,700	183.3	495,000	495,000	-	495,000	59.60	29,502
	2008	-	-	490,000	-	-	-	-	-
Washington	2006	1,700	67.1	114,000	114,000	30,500	83,500	45.50	5,191
	2007	1,700	103.5	176,000	176,000	29,000	147,000	46.00	8,089
	2008	-	-	145,000	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	2006	17,500	225.1	3,940,000	3,840,000	170,000	3,670,000	40.20	154,550
	2007	17,600	217.6	3,830,000	3,830,000	230,000	3,600,000	46.00	176,360
	2008	-	-	3,850,000	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Total	2006	39,000	176.9	6,900,000	6,795,000	355,500	6,439,500	41.10	279,281
	2007	38,800	168.9	6,554,000	6,554,000	360,000	6,194,000	46.90	307,233
	2008	-	-	6,885,000					

^{1/} Yield is based on total production.

^{2/} Weighted average of co-op and independent sales. Co-op prices represent pool proceeds less returns for processing non-cranberry products, capital stock dividends, capital stock retains, and other retains.

^{3/} A barrel weighs 100 pounds

^{4/} Preliminary summary of acreage, yield, use, price, and value of the 2008 crops by state will be released in the Non-citrus Fruit & Nuts Preliminary Report in January 2009.

^{5/} Small quantities of fresh cranberries are included in processed to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production for Washington in July totaled 489 million pounds, 17 million pounds more than July 2007. Production per cow averaged 2,005 pounds. The number of milk cows on Washington farms was estimated at 244,000 head, 8,000 head less than last year. Milk production in the 23 major states during July totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from July 2007. June revised production, at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 3.2 percent from June 2007.

Milk Cows & Production, July 2007 and June & July 2008

Item	Month/Year	Idaho	Oregon	Washington	23 State Total 1/
Milk Cows 2/	July 2007	516	114	236	8,322
(1,000 Head)	* June 2008	551	113	244	8,460
	July 2008	556	113	244	8,465
Milk Per Cow 3/	July 2007	1,970	1,675	2,000	1,742
Pounds	* June 2008	1,900	1,550	1,970	1,735
	July 2008	1,970	1,595	2,005	1,742
Milk Production 3/	July 2007	1,017	191	472	14,500
(Million Pounds)	* June 2008	1,047	175	481	14,678
	July 2008	1,095	180	489	14,750

^{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.



SELECTED STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Total fresh apples in storage for the United States on July 31, 2008 totaled 294.4 million pounds, 18 percent lower than a year ago. Frozen French fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast states and eight Mountain states on July 31, 2008 totaled 552.0 million pounds, which accounted for 64 percent of the Nation's French fries in storage. Total potatoes in storage for the three Pacific Coast states and eight Mountain states on July 31, 2008 totaled 705.7 million pounds, 64 percent of the Nation's total potatoes in storage.

Commodity	July 31, 2007	June 30, 2008	July 31, 2008			
		1,000 Pounds				
Apples, Fresh						
Regular Storage	7,315	7,352	2,790			
Controlled Atmosphere	351,799	569,815	291,568			
48 State Total	359,114	577,167	294,358			
Potatoes, French Fries						
Mountain 1/	182,979	218,094	175,240			
Pacific 2/	358,715	392,067	376,729			
48 State Total	788,741	947,666	857,573			
Potatoes, Total						
Mountain 1/	237,902	294,081	260,813			
Pacific 2/	424,310	466,733	444,863			
48 State Total	991,767	1,190,031	1,107,268			

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

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



FARM LABOR

The number of hired workers on Pacific Region farms totaled 110,000 during July 6-12, 2008, compared to 92,000 for a comparable week in July of 2007. The average wage rate paid in the Pacific Region during the July 2008 survey week was \$10.35 per hour, which was 6 cents less than July 2007. The National farm labor rate was \$10.34 an hour during the same time period, with 828,000 workers during the comparable week in July 2008.

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

Month/Year	NUM	BER OF WORKE	RS 3/	HOURS WORKED 3/				
Month/Tear	Pacific	California	United States	Pacific	California	United States		
		1,000 Workers			Hours Per Week			
January 2006	52	125	614	35.8	41.6	38.2		
April	65	137	720	37.5	43.0	40.8		
July	92	191	876	41.3	46.4	41.0		
October	85	186	800	41.9	45.7	41.9		
January 2007 4/								
April	63	176	736	38.5	45.6	40.7		
July	92	188	843	39.7	46.9	41.4		
October	75	188	817	40.7	45.5	42.2		
January 2008	42	132	594	35.7	40.7	38.4		
April	68	156	700	44.0	*43.7	*40.8		
July	110	160	828	40.6	45.5	40.5		
WAGE RATES 3/								

						WAGE	KATES 3/					
Month/	Field			Livestock		Field & Livestock			All			
Year	Pacifi c	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.	Pacific	Calif.	U.S.
						Dollars	Per Hour					
Jan '06	9.36	8.99	9.11	10.47	10.50	9.26	9.48	9.20	9.17	10.25	10.30	10.10
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	11.00	10.02	10.55	9.89	9.73	11.30	10.74	10.38
Jan '08	9.94	10.20	9.67	11.68	10.70	10.18	10.14	10.32	9.88	11.25	11.56	10.81
Apr	9.14	10.00	9.65	11.34	*11.00	*10.24	9.41	*10.16	*9.84	10.00	*11.05	*10.57
Jul	9.85	9.85	9.66	10.22	11.00	9.98	9.87	10.00	9.74	10.35	10.74	10.34

^{1/} Pacific Region includes Washington and Oregon. * Revised.

^{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

	/ /		
ITEM	IDAHO	WASHINGTON	U.S. TOTAL
		1,000 Head	
Cattle on Feed, July 1 1/	200	140	10,295
Placed on Feed During July	29	32	1,661
Fed Cattle Marketed During July	48	38	2,042
Other Disappearance during July 2/	1	1	45
Cattle on Feed, August 1	180	133	9,869

^{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.

POULTRY LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION, JULY 2007-2008, SELECTED STATES 1/

State and Year		All	Eggs Per 100	Eggs	August 1 3/		
		Layers 2/	All Layers 2/	Produced	Being Molted	Molt Completed	
		Thousand	Number	Millions	Percent		
California	2007	18,869	2,157	407	5.5	30.0	
	2008	19,778	2,210	437	3.5	32.0	
Georgia	2007	19,121	2,061	394	1.5	17.0	
C	2008	18,493	2,066	382	4.0	10.0	
Indiana	2007	24,639	2,281	562	7.0	29.5	
	2008	23,896	2,327	556	6.0	32.5	
Iowa	2007	52,878	2,275	1,203	3.5	36.0	
	2008	53,325	2,323	1,239	3.5	32.5	
Ohio	2007	25,815	2,270	586	4.0	18.5	
	2008	26,586	2,340	622	2.5	19.0	
Pennsylvania	2007	21,884	2,417	529	1.5	12.5	
	2008	21,865	2,424	530	6.0	11.5	
Texas	2007	18,502	2,259	418	5.0	24.0	
	2008	18,296	2,235	409	5.5	21.5	
Washington	2007	5,450	2,330	127	5.5	45.0	
	2008	5,425	2,304	125	5.5	27.0	
U.S. TOTAL	2007	340,035	2,235	7,599	3.4	23.6	
	2008	336,101	2,262	7,601	3.6	21.1	

^{1/ 2007} revised, 2008 preliminary.



^{2/} Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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

^{3/} As of first of month.