

Utah Grain Stocks

UTAH: December 1, 2003 stocks of corn, and wheat at off-farm locations **in Utah** were higher than on December 1, 2002, according to the Utah Agricultural Statistics Service. Barley stocks at off-farm locations were lower than last year. Off farm all wheat stocks on December 1, 2003 were 6.28 million bushels in Utah, up 25.6 percent from the previous year. Utah off farm corn stocks were 1,133,000 bushels, up 31 percent from December 1, 2002. Off farm barley stocks, at 567,000 bushels, were down 26.4 percent from last December. Off farm oat stocks on December 1, 2003 were 97,000 bushels.

UNITED STATES: Nationally, Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2003 totaled 7.94 billion bushels, up 4 percent from December 1, 2002. Of the total stocks, 5.29 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 10 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.66 billion bushels, are down 6 percent from the previous year. The September - November 2003 indicated disappearance is 3.26 billion bushels, compared with 2.97 billion bushels during the same period last year.

All wheat stored in all positions on December 1, 2003 totaled 1.52 billion bushels, up 15 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 492 million bushels, up 28 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 1.03 billion bushels, are up 10 percent from a year ago. The indicated September - November 2003 disappearance is 518 million bushels, up 20 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Barley stocks in all positions on December 1, 2003 totaled 198 million bushels, up 16 percent from December 1, 2002. On-farm stocks are estimated at 97.2 million bushels, 17 percent above a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 101 million bushels, are 16 percent above December 2002. Indicated disappearance during the September - November 2003 quarter totaled 43.7 million bushels, down 19 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Oats stored in all positions on December 1, 2003 totaled 119 million bushels, 15 percent above the stocks on December 1, 2002. Of the total stocks on hand, 64.3 million bushels are stored on farms, 22 percent more than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 54.9 million bushels, 7 percent above a year earlier. Indicated disappearance during September - November 2003 totaled 12.5 million bushels, up 58 percent from the same period a year ago.

2004 Winter Wheat Seedings

Utah winter wheat seeded area for 2004 harvest is expected to total 150,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from 2003, according to the Utah Agricultural Statistics Service.

Nationally winter wheat seeded area for 2004 is expected to total 43.5 million acres, down 3 percent from 2003. Approximate class acreage breakdowns are: Hard Red Winter, 31.0 million; Soft Red Winter, 8.3 million; and White Winter, 4.2 million.

January Potato Stocks Up 1 Percent

The 15 major potato States held 234 million cwt of potatoes in storage January 1, 2004, up 1 percent from last year and 4 percent above 2002. Potatoes in storage account for 58 percent of the 2003 fall storage States' production, up 1 percentage point from last year. Stocks by type were 3 percent red, 12 percent round white, 3 percent long white (Shepody), and 82 percent russet, with more round whites and fewer russets than a year ago.

Disappearance of 170 million cwt from the start of harvest to January 1, is down 3 percent from the same

period last year but 5 percent above two years ago. Shrink and loss at 17.4 million cwt, is down 4 percent from last year but 1 percent above two years ago.

Processors used 86.8 million cwt of 2003 crop potatoes so far this season, down 6 percent from a year ago but 8 percent above two years ago. December usage of 15.7 million cut is 1 percent above last year and 7 percent above two years ago. Dehydrators used 18.4 million cwt to date, down 6 percent from last year.

Western States held 157 million cwt of potatoes in storage on January 1, down 5 percent from last year but up less than 1 percent from two years ago. Idaho's potato stocks are down 7 percent from last year, Colorado decreased 14 percent and California lost 21 percent. Washington's sheds stored 1 percent more than last year, Oregon gained 5 percent, and Montana increased 3 percent.

U.S. Turkey Eggs in Incubators & Poult Placement

Turkey eggs in incubators on January 1, 2004, in the United States totaled 28.4 million, down 8 percent from January 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were 1 percent below the December 2003 total of 28.6 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central, down 7 percent; West North Central, down 8 percent; North and South Atlantic, down 7 percent; South Central, down 8 percent; and West, down 12 percent. The 23.4 million poult placed during December 2003 in the United

States were down 2 percent from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were up 6 percent from the November 2003 total of 22.2 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central, down 2 percent; West North Central, up slightly; North and South Atlantic, down 5 percent; South Central, up 1 percent; and West, down 10 percent.

Eggs in Incubators: First of Month by Region and United States, January 2004 with Comparisons

Geographic Division	Jan 1 2003	Dec 1 2003	Jan 1 2004	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
E N Central	4,860	4,887	4,543	93	93
W N Central	11,494	*10,995	10,521	92	96
N & S Atlantic	9,363	8,556	8,740	93	102
S Central	2,548	*2,315	2,352	92	102
West	2,539	*1,852	2,238	88	121
US	30,804	*28,605	28,394	92	99

*Revised.

Poults Placements: Entire Month by Region and United States, December 2003 with Comparisons ¹

Geographic Division	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>

E N Central	3,653	3,448	3,588	98	104
W N Central	8,929	*8,238	8,946	100	109
N & S Atlantic	7,907	6,922	7,543	95	109
S Central	1,877	1,983	1,890	101	95
West	1,611	1,564	1,457	90	93
US	23,977	*22,155	23,424	98	106

*Revised.

¹Regional placements refer to poultts placed from hatcheries located in that region, and not the actual location of the birds after placement.

Regional Listing:

North Atlantic: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT.

East North Central: IL, IN, MI, OH, WI.

West North Central: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD.

South Atlantic: DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV.

South Central: AL, AR, KY, LA, MS, OK, TN, TX.

West: AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.

2003 Final Crop Production Estimates

Utah 2003 all wheat production at 5.6 million bushels was up 14.2 percent from 2002, according to the Utah Agricultural Statistics Service. Average yield of 41.4 bushels per acre was 5.4 bushels above 2002. Acres harvested was 135,000, down 1,000 acres from 2002. **Winter wheat** production at 5.1 million bushels was up 17.1 percent from the 2002 level. Winter wheat yield at 41 bushels per acre was 6 bushels above 2002. Harvested acreage of 125,000 was the same as a year earlier. **Other spring wheat** production at 460,000 bushels was 11 percent below 2002. Yield of 46 bushels per acre was 1 bushel below 2002. Harvested acreage of 10,000 was down 9.1 percent from 2002. **Barley** production at 2.8 million bushels was 2.8 percent below 2002. Yield of 80.0 bushels per acre was 16 bushels above a year earlier. Harvested acres at 35,000 was 22.2 percent below 2002. **Oat** production at 492,000 bushels was 9.3 percent above 2002. Oat yield was 82 bushels per acre, down 8 bushels from a year earlier. Oats harvested for grain was 6,000 acres, up 1,000 acres from 2002. **Corn for grain** production at 2.0 million bushels was down slightly from the 2002 level. Corn for grain yield at 155 bushels was up 10 bushels from 2002. Harvested acreage for grain was 13,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from 2002. **Corn silage** production at 861,000 tons was up 7.6 percent from 2002. Yield was 21.0 tons per acre, up 1 ton from 2002. Harvested acreage of 41,000 was up 2.5 percent from 2002. **Alfalfa hay** production totaled 2.2 million tons, up 8.1 percent from the 2002 level. Alfalfa hay yield was 4.00

tons per acre, up 11 percent from 2002. Harvested acres at 545,000 was down 2.7 percent from 2002. **New seedings of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** at 40,000 acres decreased down 27.3 percent from 2002. **All other hay** production at 310,000 tons was up 14.8 percent from 2002. Yield at 2.0 tons was up 11 percent from a year earlier. Harvested acreage of 155,000 was up 3.3 percent from 2002. **Dry edible bean** production at 16,000 cwt was 11,000 cwt above 2002. Growers harvested 5,200 acres compared with 300 acres during 2002. Yields averaged 310 pounds per acre, down from 1,670 pounds a year earlier.

National crop production for 2003 and the change from 2002 are as follows: **corn for grain** 10.1 million bushels, up 12.3 percent from the 9.0 billion bushels produced in 2002; corn silage 105.9 million tons, slightly above the 2002 level; **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures hay** 76.3 million tons, 3.4 percent above 2002; **all other hay** 80.8 million tons, up 1 percent from 2002; **dry edible beans** 10.4 million cwt, down 19 percent from last year; **fall potatoes** 459 million cwt, a slight decrease from last year; **all wheat** 2.34 billion bushels, up 44.3 percent from 2002; **barley** 276 million bushels, up 21.9 percent from 226.6 produced in 2002; **oats** 144.6 million bushels, up 21.9 percent from 118.6 produced in 2002.

Acreage, Yield and Production - Utah and United States, 2002 and 2003

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
		2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
		1,000		Per Acre		1,000	
UTAH							
Barley	Bu	45	35	64.0	80.0	2,880	2,800
Oats	Bu	5	6	90.0	82.0	450	492
All Wheat	Bu	136	135	36.0	41.4	4,892	5,585
Winter Wheat	Bu	125	125	35.0	41.0	4,375	5,125
Other Spring Wheat	Bu	11	10	47.0	46.0	517	460
Corn for Grain	Bu	14	13	145.0	155.0	2,030	2,015
Corn for Silage	Tons	40	41	20.0	21.0	800	861
All Hay	Tons	710	700	3.22	3.56	2,286	2,490
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	560	545	3.60	4.00	2,016	2,180

All Other Hay	Tons	150	155	1.80	2.00	270	310
Dry Beans ^{1/} _{2/}	Lbs	0.3	5.2	1,670	310	5	16
Potatoes	Cwt	0.8	1.0	305	335	244	335
UNITED STATES							
Barley	Bu	4,129	4,688	54.9	58.9	226,573	276,087
Oats	Bu	2,093	2,224	56.7	65.0	118,628	144,649
All Wheat	Bu	45,917	52,839	35.3	44.2	1,619,001	2,336,526
Winter Wheat	Bu	29,751	36,541	38.5	46.7	1,145,602	1,707,069
Other Spring Wheat ..	Bu	13,463	13,429	29.3	39.7	393,949	532,820
Corn for Grain	Bu	69,313	71,139	130.0	142.2	9,007,659	10,113,887
Corn for Silage	Tons	7,490	6,528	14.0	16.2	104,979	105,864
All Hay	Tons	64,497	63,342	2.34	2.48	150,962	157,123
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	23,135	23,578	3.19	3.24	73,824	76,307
All Other Hay	Tons	41,362	39,764	1.86	2.03	77,138	80,816
Dry Beans ^{1/} _{2/}	Lbs	725.3	638.2	1,776	1,635	12,880	10,437
Potatoes	Cwt	1,270.3	1,250.3	362	367	459,802	459,045

^{1/} Excludes beans grown for garden seed. ^{2/} Yield in pounds, production in hundredweight (cwt).

U.S. Turkeys Raised in U. S. Up 1 Percent from 2002

Turkeys raised in the United States during 2003 totaled 274 million birds, up 1 percent from the 272 million raised in 2002. Minnesota ranked first in the number raised with 45.0 million, followed by North Carolina with 42.5 million, Arkansas and Missouri each with 26.5 million, Virginia with 23.0 million, California with 17.3 million, and South Carolina with 13.0 million. These States accounted for 71 percent of the turkeys produced in the United States during 2003.

Turkey growers in 23 States intend to decrease the number of birds raised by 4 percent in 2004. These states produced over 99 percent of the turkeys raised in 2003. Intentions for the top seven producing States compared with 2003 are as follows: Minnesota down 4 percent, North Carolina down 11 percent, Arkansas down 2 percent, Missouri down 4 percent, Virginia down 4 percent, California down 7 percent, and South Carolina unchanged. The number of turkeys actually raised in 2004 may vary from growers' intentions depending on feed costs, supply of hatching eggs, cost of poults, and prices growers receive for turkeys during the next few months.

Manufactured Dairy Products

UTAH: Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) in November 2003, at 6.52 million pounds, was up 41.8 percent from November 2002 but down 1.3 percent from October 2003. **Hard ice cream** production totaled 1.54 million gallons, up 60.0 percent from November 2002 but down 9.2 percent from October 2003.

UNITED STATES: Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 718 million pounds, 1.0 percent below November 2002 and 3.1 percent below October 2003. **American type cheese** production totaled 294 million pounds, 0.3 percent below November 2002 and 3.6 percent below October 2003. **Butter** production was 88.1 million pounds in November, 15.2 percent below November 2002 and 9.2 percent below October 2003. Hard ice cream production totaled 58.1 million gallons, up 1.3 percent from November 2002, but down 15.4 percent from October 2003.

Manufactured Dairy Production -November 2003 with Comparisons

Product	Utah			United States		
	November 2002	October ¹ 2003	November 2003	November 2002	October ¹ 2003	November 2003
1,000 Pounds						
Total Cheese	4,598	6,609	6,522	725,444	741,368	718,226

1,000 Gallons

Hard ice cream	960	1,691	1,536	57,374	68,751	58,131
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¹ Revised.