

MEATS FROZEN OR PLACED IN CURE

COMMODITY	SEPT. 5-YR. AV. 1933-37	DURING SEPT. 1937	DURING SEPT. 1938	OCT. 5-YR. AV. 1933-37	DURING OCT. 1937	DURING OCT. 1938
	(IN THOUSANDS OF POUNDS, I. E. "000" OMITTED)					
BEEF, FROZEN .....	21,483	15,604	14,213	29,786	22,922	18,775
BEEF, PLACED IN CURE .....	6,154	4,510	7,232	7,791	5,795	7,206
PORK, FROZEN .....	26,107	21,294	27,491	32,600	29,221	29,788
PORK, DRY SALT PLACED IN CURE	29,628	23,201	29,764	32,183	31,540	24,467
PORK, PICKLED PLACED IN CURE	112,320	93,628	129,932	129,221	117,507	140,951
LAMB AND MUTTON, FROZEN ....	984	740	1,038	1,531	1,266	887

**NOTE:** THESE HOLDINGS INCLUDE STOCKS IN BOTH COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES AND MEAT PACKING HOUSE PLANTS.

MEATS HELD FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE FIGURES.

- (1) - FIGURES SHOWN SUBJECT TO REVISION. REVISED FIGURES WILL APPEAR IN NEXT MONTH'S REPORT.
- (2) - WHILE THE BUREAU FEELS ASSURED OF THE COMPLETENESS AND ACCURACY OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF POULTRY REPORTED, IT CANNOT VOUCH FOR THE ACCURACY AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE VARIOUS SIZES OF CHICKENS. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CONCERNS WHOSE HOLDINGS ARE EXCEEDINGLY HEAVY, WHO FIND IT IMPRACTICABLE TO MAKE SEGREGATION ON THEIR REPORTS. CONSEQUENTLY, THERE WILL BE FRYERS CONTAINED IN THE FIGURES SHOWN FOR BROILERS, ROASTERS AND POSSIBLY MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY.

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## COLD STORAGE REPORT

AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1938

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MARKETING EXTENSION

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics issues this report of cold storage holdings as of November 1, 1938, based upon the reports of cold storage warehouses throughout the country. The report shows United States stocks on hand on November 1, this year compared with previous periods, for the following groups of commodities:

- Fruits (fresh and frozen) and Vegetables (quick frozen), page 3;
- Dairy and Poultry Products, page 4;
- Meats (cured and frozen) and Lard, page 5.

Special tables of cold storage holdings, by States or geographic divisions of the country, are included for apples and pears (page 8); cherries and strawberries (page 7); cream, butter, American cheese, eggs and poultry (page 6); and frozen poultry, by classes, (page 7).

The figures shown for the various commodities listed in the several tables of this report do not necessarily include the entire amounts that are carried under refrigeration. The following definition is used for purposes of the monthly cold storage report: "A cold storage warehouse is any place artificially cooled to a temperature of 45° Fahrenheit or below, in which food commodities are stored and held for 30 days or more." Thus it will be seen that floor stocks or what are known generally as current trading stocks held in dealers' distributing plants or meat-packing branch-houses (normally a few days' supply) are not considered cold storage stocks for purposes of this report.

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F R U I T S

## FRESH

Holdings of apples in cold storage on November 1 were the equivalent of 29,569,000 bushels. This amount is 1,851,000 bushels below stocks on November 1 a year ago but 1,277,000 bushels above those for the 5-year (1933-37) November 1 average.

Total holdings of all varieties of pears amounted to 3,224,000 boxes and bushel baskets. This compares with 2,631,000 a year ago and 2,101,000 boxes and baskets for the 5-year average.

"QUICK-FREEZE PROCESSED" AND "COLD PACKED AND PRESERVED"

It is still necessary to combine totals of "quick-freeze processed" and "cold-packed" fruits in making comparisons as a number of concerns continue to change classification of these items from month to month. The apparent out-of-storage movement of these quick-frozen and cold-packed commodities during October amounted to 3,980,000 pounds. Of the 29,465,000 pounds of quick-freeze fruits reported, 1,312,000 were unclassified; and of the 114,136,000 pounds of "cold-pack", 29,466,000 pounds were not classified.

V E G E T A B L E S

## QUICK-FREEZE

Little change occurred in the amount of frozen vegetables reported. The total was 71,288,000 pounds compared with 71,252,000 for October 1 and 27,902,000 pounds on hand November 1, 1937. The quantity of unclassified vegetables reported was 9,868,000 pounds.

## FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Commodity	Nov. 1, 5-yr. av. 1933-37	Nov. 1, 1937	Oct. 1, 1938	Nov. 1, 1938
FRUITS				
- Thousands -				
Apples.....barrels.....	723	501	177	386
Apples.....western boxes	13,821	12,264	1,394	12,051
Apples.....bushels 1/...	12,303	17,653	6,754	16,360
TOTAL APPLES.....bushels.....	28,292	31,420	8,679	29,569
Pears, Bartletts.....packed boxes.		63	186	35
Pears, Bartletts.....loose boxes..		127	737	97
Pears, all others.....boxes.....	1,979	2,366	3,059	2,925
Pears.....baskets.....	122	75	200	167
<u>QUICK FREEZE PROCESSED</u>				
Blackberries.....pounds.....			954	663
Blueberries.....".....	This is a new		988	1,087
Cherries 2/.....".....	series. His-		3,708	3,740
Logan and similar berries.....".....	torical data		994	1,007
Raspberries.....".....	for these items		3,327	3,114
Strawberries 2/.....".....	are not avail-		13,094	12,294
Other fruits.....".....	able.		5,776	6,248
Classification not reported... ".....			1,445	1,312
TOTAL QUICK FREEZE ".....			30,286	29,465
<u>COLD PACKED AND PRESERVED</u>				
Blackberries.....pounds.....			4,612	4,329
Blueberries.....".....		6,227	4,553	4,534
Cherries 2/.....".....		25,419	21,933	20,069
Logan and similar berries.....".....	See		2,815	2,605
Raspberries.....".....	Foot-		9,412	8,972
Strawberries 2/.....".....	note 3/		31,804	27,500
Other fruits.....".....		3/ 68,978	29,865	27,500
Classification not reported... ".....			12,970	16,661
TOTAL COLD PACK... ".....	86,741	132,428	117,295	114,136
<u>VEGETABLES</u>				
<u>QUICK FREEZE PROCESSED</u>				
Asparagus.....pounds.....			4,171	4,034
Beans, Lima.....".....		5,383	14,875	14,400
Beans, snap.....".....		2,018	5,751	5,661
Broccoli, green.....".....	See		797	906
Corn, sweet.....".....	Foot-		2,308	7,009
Peas, green.....".....	note 3/		10,490	27,178
Spinach.....".....		1,983	1,898	2,678
Other vegetables.....".....		3/ 5,720	1,723	2,876
Classification not reported... ".....			7,850	9,868
TOTAL QUICK FREEZE ".....		27,902	71,252	71,288

1/ Includes baskets and Eastern boxes or crates.

2/ Tables showing, by geographic divisions, the quantities of "quick-freeze" and "cold-pack" cherries, and strawberries, in cold storage will be found on page 7.

3/ Data for periods prior to July 1, 1938, are not fully comparable with present reports, which are based upon a more detailed segregation.

November 1 stocks of creamery butter decreased during October by 16,952,000 pounds. The net out-of-storage movement for October averaged 16,075,000 pounds for the preceding 5 years. The November 1 stocks exceeded those of a year earlier by 95,127,000 pounds and the 5-year (1933-37) November 1 average by 74,603,000 pounds.

This year's November 1 holdings include 102,039,000 pounds held by the Dairy Products Marketing Association, 1,729,000 pounds of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation purchases (from DFMA) remaining in storage, and 6,920,000 pounds of relief butter held by State agencies. The total of 8,649,000 pounds in the two latter classifications represents butter that is not subject to resale.

Stocks of American cheese held in cold storage on November 1 were 115,348,000 pounds, a decrease of 6,075,000 pounds from October 1. Holdings were 18,188,000 pounds heavier than on November 1, 1937, and 15,480,000 above the November 1 average. Decreased holdings from October 1 were reported also for all other varieties of cheese.

The net out-of-storage movement of shell eggs during October was below average, the 1938 October movement being 1,521,000 cases compared with an average of 2,019,000 cases during the preceding 5 years. Stocks were 1,914,000 cases less than those of November 1 a year ago and 1,436,000 cases less than the November 1 average.

Stocks of frozen egg meats were 39,541,000 pounds less than those of November 1 a year ago and 710,000 pounds less than the 5-year average. Total holdings of frozen eggs were the equivalent of 2,693,000 cases of shell eggs. The seasonal increase of frozen poultry stocks continued during October with a net into-storage movement of 17,665,000 pounds.

Commodity	Nov. 1, 5-yr. av. 1933-37	Nov. 1, 1937	Oct. 1, 1938	Nov. 1, 1938
- Thousands -				
<b>CREAM</b>				
Forty percent.....40-qt. cans	175	117	349	304
Twenty percent....." "	7	5	5	5
<b>BUTTER</b>				
Creamery.....pounds.....	119,148	98,624	210,703	1/ 193,751
Packing stock....." .....		197	159	340
<b>CHEESE</b>				
American....." .....	99,868	97,160	121,423	115,348
Swiss including block....." .....	5,709	4,942	6,305	5,559
Brick and Munster....." .....	905	713	722	461
Limburger....." .....	1,046	783	1,020	948
All other varieties....." .....	6,669	9,089	11,285	9,980
TOTAL CHEESE .....	114,197	112,687	140,755	132,296
<b>EGGS</b>				
Shell.....cases.....	4,680	5,158	4,765	3,244
Frozen.....pounds.....	94,974	133,805	110,244	94,264
Frozen, case equivalent 2/.....cases.....	2,714	3,823	3,150	2,693
TOTAL EGGS, case equiv. 3/....." .....	7,394	8,981	7,915	5,937
<b>FROZEN POULTRY 4/</b>				
Broilers.....pounds.....	15,267	9,631	9,798	10,761
Fryers....." .....	8,383	7,899	4,152	7,285
Roasters....." .....	12,865	13,989	7,497	15,250
Fowls....." .....	13,945	15,333	9,630	12,954
Turkeys....." .....	3,268	5,208	3,790	3,890
Ducks....." .....	5,452	9,035	11,496	10,773
Miscellaneous poultry....." .....	14,276	15,113	13,579	16,694
TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY....." .....	73,456	76,208	59,942	77,607

1/ Includes the following: 102,039,000 pounds of creamery butter held by the Dairy Products Marketing Association for resale or for relief purposes, (Chicago, 56,990,000 pounds; New York metropolitan area, 38,117,000; Pacific Coast, 3,137,000; other areas, 3,795,000 pounds); 1,729,000 pounds sold by DFMA to FSCC, still in storage and not subject to resale (Chicago 739,000 pounds and New York metropolitan area 990,000 pounds); and 6,920,000 pounds held by various states for relief distribution. Any quantities held in New York City storages for municipal relief distribution are not included. (See October 12, 1938, release for similar report on October 1 holdings.)

2/ Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 35 pounds to the case.

3/ SPECIAL NOTE: 83 percent of the total frozen eggs reported as of November 1, 1938, were classified as follows: Whites - 28 percent; Yolks - 20 percent; and Mixed 52 percent.

4/ A breakdown of frozen poultry items by geographic divisions will be found on page 7.

MEATS AND LARD

Frozen and cured beef holdings showed a net increase of 4,384,000 pounds during October. November 1 stocks, totaling 41,327,000 pounds, were 2,570,000 pounds less than those of November 1, 1937, and 35,063,000 pounds less than the November 1 (1933-37) 5-year average.

Total stocks of frozen and cured pork decreased during the month by 26,446,000 pounds. They were 15,629,000 pounds less than on November 1 last year and 121,229,000 less than the 5-year average for this date.

Stocks of all frozen and cured meats, which totaled 344,902,000 pounds, were approximately 10,000,000 pounds below those of a year earlier and 172,695,000 pounds lighter than the 5-year average for November 1.

Stocks of lard were further reduced during the month by approximately 22,000,000 pounds. The 67,849,000 pounds on hand exceeded the November 1, 1937, stocks by 28,372,000 pounds but were nearly 15,000,000 pounds less than the November 1 average.

Commodity	Nov. 1, 5-yr. av. 1933-37	Nov. 1, 1937	Oct. 1, 1938	Nov. 1, 1938
- <u>Thousand pounds</u> -				
<u>BEEF</u>				
Frozen.....	58,243	31,960	23,753	28,151
In process of cure.....	13,901	8,069	10,476	10,516
Cured.....	4,246	3,868	2,714	2,660
TOTAL BEEF.....	76,390	43,897	36,943	41,327
<u>PORK</u>				
Frozen.....	71,979	47,476	59,330	51,232
Dry salt in process of cure.....	27,424	24,215	29,250	21,084
Dry salt cured.....	23,367	14,790	29,634	13,524
Pickled in process of cure.....	148,501	117,861	105,076	108,381
Pickled cured.....	100,743	62,072	53,941	56,564
TOTAL PORK.....	372,014	266,414	277,231	250,785
<u>LAMB AND MUTTON</u>				
Frozen.....	3,172	2,376	2,318	2,653
<u>TRIMMINGS AND EDIBLE OFFAL</u>				
Frozen and cured.....	66,021	42,210	52,774	50,137
TOTAL MEATS.....	517,597	354,897	369,266	344,902
<u>LARD</u> .....	82,828	39,477	89,946	67,849

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS, NOVEMBER 1, 1938

By States, for Specified Commodities

State	Cream (40-qt. cans)	Butter Lbs.	American cheese Lbs.	Eggs Cases	Frozen eggs Lbs.	Total poultry Lbs.
- Thousands -						
Massachusetts.....	11	5,446	3,457	40	1,878	3,629
Other States.....		1,719	698	7	836	395
NEW ENGLAND.....		7,165	4,155	47	2,714	4,024
New York.....	214	18,748	15,790	202	6,637	18,133
New Jersey.....	9	34,815	5,274	312	9,878	10,535
Pennsylvania.....	19	3,437	2,403	123	6,333	2,868
MIDDLE ATLANTIC...		57,000	23,467	637	24,848	31,536
Ohio.....	14	5,657	953	165	2,696	1,378
Indiana.....		1,188	232	22	1,042	1,695
Illinois.....	5	81,397	9,460	1,267	13,436	13,755
Michigan.....	2	2,823	1,596	63	1,082	1,363
Wisconsin.....	17	1,259	56,648	107	728	690
EAST N. CENTRAL...		92,324	68,889	1,624	18,984	18,881
Minnesota.....	2	12,804	808	89	2,182	3,115
Iowa.....		1,729	44	54	2,400	1,760
Missouri.....	3	3,457	1,436	227	14,195	6,703
Nebraska.....		3,997	502	44	2,815	4,375
Kansas.....		991	369	94	4,059	1,008
Dakotas.....		828	-	1	-	22
WEST N. CENTRAL...		23,806	3,159	509	25,651	16,983
SOUTH ATLANTIC....		2,099	3,445	54	2,198	1,270
Kentucky.....		747	394	10	1,568	402
Tennessee.....		1,409	625	75	1,864	430
Alabama & Mississippi		331	590	10	365	71
EAST S. CENTRAL...		2,487	1,609	95	3,797	903
Oklahoma.....		657	242	25	3,342	73
Texas.....		740	2,000	48	6,972	191
Arkansas & Louisiana		197	199	4	1,694	78
WEST S. CENTRAL...		1,594	2,441	77	12,006	342
Colorado.....		565	872	32	468	218
Other States.....		226	1,011	6	82	234
MOUNTAIN.....		791	1,883	38	550	452
Washington.....		2,457	725	35	637	1,037
Oregon.....		217	895	3	258	142
California.....		3,811	4,680	125	2,619	2,037
PACIFIC.....		6,485	6,300	163	3,514	3,216
Other States, combined for cream only.....	11					
UNITED STATES...	307	193,751	115,348	3,244	94,264	77,607

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FROZEN POULTRY IN COLD STORAGE, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS  
Classified by Varieties

Geographic division	November 1, 1938						
	Broilers	Fryers	Roasters	Fowls	Turkeys	Ducks	Miscellaneous
	- 1,000 pounds -						
New England.....	477	341	1,181	535	354	918	218
Middle Atlantic....	2,809	1,583	6,776	3,523	1,832	8,019	6,994
East North Central.	2,461	3,257	3,528	4,852	522	1,150	3,111
West North Central.	3,630	1,509	3,216	3,021	215	77	5,315
South Atlantic.....	128	71	166	159	188	285	273
East South Central.	278	217	69	111	16	19	193
West South Central:	23	15	20	158	30	13	83
Mountain.....	249	78	9	39	16	13	48
Pacific.....	706	214	285	556	717	279	459
UNITED STATES.	10,761	7,285	15,250	12,954	3,890	10,773	16,694

CHERRIES IN COLD STORAGE <sup>1/</sup>

Geographic division	November 1, 1938		November 1, 1937
	Quick Freeze	Cold Pack	Quick Freeze and Cold Pack
	- 1,000 pounds -		
New England.....	42	245	441
Middle Atlantic.....	2,406	12,411	13,768
East North Central.....	857	4,584	8,274
West North Central.....	48	1,052	911
Pacific.....	256	1,059	1,346
All other divisions.....	131	718	679
UNITED STATES .....	3,740	20,069	25,419

STRAWBERRIES IN COLD STORAGE <sup>1/</sup>

Geographic division	November 1, 1938		November 1, 1937
	Quick Freeze	Cold Pack	Quick Freeze and Cold Pack
	- 1,000 pounds -		
New England.....	569	2,161	2,776
Middle Atlantic.....	2,771	4,600	7,910
East South Central.....	1,346	3,460	4,234
West North Central.....	199	2,042	2,519
South Atlantic.....	1,392	1,771	5,738
Pacific.....	5,827	11,811	7,607
All other divisions.....	190	1,655	1,020
UNITED STATES.....	12,294	27,500	31,804

<sup>1/</sup> Segregation of "quick freeze" and "cold pack" not reported prior to July 1, 1938.



APPLE AND PEAR HOLDINGS IN COLD STORAGE

APPLES

State	November 1, 1938				November 1, 1937
	Barrels	Western boxes	Baskets	Total bushels	Total bushels
	- Thousands -				
Vermont.....	-	-	72	72	44
Massachusetts.....	-	9	439	448	677
New York.....	15	10	5,873	5,928	5,780
New Jersey.....	2	15	970	991	982
Pennsylvania.....	39	85	1,563	1,765	1,731
Illinois.....	-	40	732	772	1,278
Missouri.....	-	69	425	494	1,001
Virginia.....	290	3	2,910	3,783	3,921
West Virginia.....	24	2	600	674	783
Washington.....	-	8,452	-	8,452	8,758
Oregon.....	-	969	-	969	862
California.....	-	1,513	-	1,513	1,717
Other States.....	16	884	2,776	3,708	3,886
<b>UNITED STATES...</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>12,051</b>	<b>16,360</b>	<b>29,569</b>	<b>31,420</b>

PEARS

State	November 1, 1938	November 1, 1937
	Boxes and bushel baskets	Boxes and bushel baskets
	- Thousands -	
New York.....	197	116
New Jersey.....	52	105
Pennsylvania.....	28	34
Illinois.....	15	41
Washington.....	706	726
Oregon.....	1,619	1,238
California.....	534	285
Other States.....	73	85
<b>UNITED STATES.....</b>	<b>3,224</b>	<b>2,631</b>