



# Cold Storage

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## Highlights

**Total natural cheese stocks** in refrigerated warehouses on October 31, 2012 were down 4 percent from the previous month and down 6 percent from October 31, 2011.

**Butter stocks** were down 26 percent from last month but up 11 percent from a year ago.

**Total frozen poultry supplies** on October 31, 2012 were down 6 percent from the previous month and down slightly from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down slightly from the previous month and down 7 percent from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were down 13 percent from last month but up 12 percent from October 31, 2011.

**Total frozen fruit stocks** were up 21 percent from last month and up 8 percent from a year ago.

**Total frozen vegetable stocks** were up 8 percent from last month and up 5 percent from a year ago.

**Total red meat supplies** in freezers were down 2 percent from the previous month but up 14 percent from last year. Total pounds of beef in freezers were down slightly from the previous month but up 2 percent from last year. Frozen pork supplies were down 4 percent from the previous month but up 24 percent from last year. Stocks of pork bellies were up 22 percent from last month and up 119 percent from last year.

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**Nuts, Dairy Products, Frozen Eggs, and Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – United States:  
October 31, 2012 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Nuts</b>						
Shelled						
Peanuts .....	269,398	186,587	253,817	94	136	
Pecans .....	26,619	41,575	37,416	141	90	
In-Shell						
Peanuts .....	12,216	9,449	22,289	182	236	
Pecans .....	27,704	26,725	31,611	114	118	
<b>Dairy products</b>						
Butter .....	130,684	195,819	144,981	111	74	116,020
Natural cheese						
American .....	619,376	608,417	581,701	94	96	
Swiss .....	32,241	28,933	29,868	93	103	
Other .....	366,010	357,988	342,464	94	96	
Total natural cheese .....	1,017,627	995,338	954,033	94	96	575,134
<b>Frozen eggs</b>						
Whites .....	4,159	3,745	3,573	86	95	
Yolks .....	1,448	2,119	1,988	137	94	
Whole and mixed .....	9,862	9,027	9,065	92	100	
Unclassified .....	18,426	16,484	14,398	78	87	
Total frozen eggs .....	33,895	31,375	29,024	86	93	28,036
<b>Frozen poultry</b>						
Chicken						
Broilers, fryers, and roasters .....	15,654	10,461	11,497	73	110	
Hens, mature chickens .....	3,577	3,073	1,728	48	56	
Breasts and breast meat .....	131,961	104,826	104,235	79	99	
Drumsticks .....	23,731	17,942	21,367	90	119	
Leg quarters .....	106,357	94,543	98,722	93	104	
Legs .....	9,704	13,496	12,848	132	95	
Thigh and thigh quarters .....	9,443	5,979	5,742	61	96	
Thigh Meat .....	19,837	15,206	15,290	77	101	
Wings .....	51,019	65,135	69,983	137	107	
Paws and feet .....	24,950	24,791	19,814	79	80	
Other .....	299,177	295,371	286,783	96	97	
Total chicken .....	695,410	650,823	648,009	93	100	
Turkey						
Whole turkeys						
Toms .....	117,536	164,170	134,913	115	82	
Hens .....	89,572	141,169	123,367	138	87	
Total whole turkeys .....	207,108	305,339	258,280	125	85	
Breasts .....	39,275	65,573	54,291	138	83	
Legs .....	15,302	12,816	12,415	81	97	
Mechanically deboned meat .....	9,133	8,716	9,040	99	104	
Other .....	37,155	30,666	34,401	93	112	
Unclassified .....	98,891	98,700	85,616	87	87	
Total turkey .....	406,864	521,810	454,043	112	87	
Ducks .....	3,635	2,646	1,669	46	63	
Total frozen poultry .....	1,105,909	1,175,279	1,103,721	100	94	1,012,765

## Frozen Fruit and Frozen Juice in Cold Storage – United States: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Frozen fruit</b>						
Apples .....	53,790	51,344	51,725	96	101	
Apricots .....	4,982	8,737	6,318	127	72	
<b>Blackberries</b>						
Individual quality frozen .....	25,313	27,815	25,358	100	91	
Pails and tubs .....	2,536	1,364	1,549	61	114	
Barrels, 400 lbs net .....	8,875	9,801	9,102	103	93	
Concentrate .....	387	709	834	216	118	
Total blackberries .....	37,111	39,689	36,843	99	93	
Blueberries .....	160,156	234,207	216,918	135	93	
Boysenberries .....	1,056	1,344	1,235	117	92	
Cherries, tart (ripe tart pitted) .....	98,395	50,514	49,673	50	98	
Cherries, tart (juice stock) .....	1,564	866	920	59	106	
Cherries, tart (juice concentrate) .....	2,284	783	840	37	107	
Cherries, sweet .....	13,870	22,132	20,159	145	91	
Grapes .....	3,600	4,020	4,539	126	113	
Peaches .....	73,554	70,173	67,091	91	96	
Raspberries, black .....	768	1,761	837	109	48	
<b>Raspberries, red</b>						
Individual quality frozen .....	28,992	25,950	24,057	83	93	
Pails and tubs .....	8,815	9,397	8,973	102	95	
Barrels, 400 lbs net .....	26,286	32,239	27,783	106	86	
Concentrate .....	1,237	1,187	838	68	71	
Total red raspberries .....	65,330	68,773	61,651	94	90	
<b>Strawberries</b>						
Individual quality frozen and poly .....	127,328	158,977	156,962	123	99	
Pails and tubs .....	103,304	110,104	98,026	95	89	
Barrels and drums .....	92,679	111,976	107,776	116	96	
Juice stock .....	24,974	18,575	15,998	64	86	
Total strawberries .....	348,285	399,632	378,762	109	95	
Other .....	452,421	224,022	530,118	117	237	
<b>Total frozen fruit</b> .....	<b>1,317,166</b>	<b>1,177,997</b>	<b>1,427,629</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1,256,867</b>
<b>Frozen juice concentrate</b>						
Orange .....	522,326	675,561	607,876	116	90	
(Gallon equivalent) .....	52,782	68,266	61,426			
Other .....	325,720	313,151	333,255	102	106	
<b>Total frozen juice concentrate</b> .....	<b>848,046</b>	<b>988,712</b>	<b>941,131</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>223,073</b>

## Frozen Vegetables and Potatoes in Cold Storage – United States: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Frozen vegetables</b>						
Asparagus .....	6,925	10,961	10,492	152	96	
Lima beans .....	60,282	55,897	68,691	114	123	
Green beans, regular cut .....	208,185	288,758	307,825	148	107	
Green beans, french style .....	24,349	22,796	17,960	74	79	
Broccoli, spears .....	31,363	33,357	29,390	94	88	
Broccoli, chopped and cut .....	37,663	62,751	61,906	164	99	
Brussels sprouts .....	11,564	7,823	9,890	86	126	
Carrots, diced .....	115,288	59,505	104,670	91	176	
Carrots, other .....	156,727	110,220	145,472	93	132	
Cauliflower .....	23,229	23,476	30,017	129	128	
Corn, cut .....	541,733	478,194	543,661	100	114	
Corn, cob .....	261,853	233,153	266,008	102	114	
Mixed vegetables .....	49,530	40,180	44,097	89	110	
Okra .....	39,734	29,012	27,596	69	95	
Onion rings .....	4,740	9,983	12,321	260	123	
Onions, other .....	53,548	52,117	52,205	97	100	
Blackeye peas .....	1,947	2,413	1,893	97	78	
Green peas .....	321,545	323,967	287,346	89	89	
Peas and carrots mixed .....	5,590	6,186	5,968	107	96	
Spinach .....	56,978	57,168	54,472	96	95	
Squash, summer/zucchini .....	68,868	70,051	70,500	102	101	
Southern greens .....	13,077	9,672	8,458	65	87	
Other .....	398,891	428,486	450,012	113	105	
Total frozen vegetables .....	2,493,609	2,416,126	2,610,850	105	108	1,738,089
<b>Frozen potatoes</b>						
French fries .....	908,872	881,903	932,913	103	106	
Other .....	209,263	230,970	234,348	112	101	
Total frozen potatoes .....	1,118,135	1,112,873	1,167,261	104	105	902,415

## Red Meat and Commodities in Cold Storage – United States: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Frozen red meat</b>						
<b>Beef</b>						
Boneless .....	359,041	352,958	349,551	97	99	
Beef cuts .....	57,909	71,972	74,248	128	103	
Total beef .....	416,950	424,930	423,799	102	100	420,701
<b>Pork</b>						
Picnics, bone-in .....	8,615	10,705	8,060	94	75	
Hams						
Bone-in .....	72,980	125,550	105,694	145	84	
Boneless .....	61,393	89,579	82,248	134	92	
Total hams .....	134,373	215,129	187,942	140	87	
Bellies .....	8,734	15,668	19,124	219	122	
Loins						
Bone-in .....	10,086	8,361	9,046	90	108	
Boneless .....	21,459	23,856	21,449	100	90	
Total loins .....	31,545	32,217	30,495	97	95	
Ribs .....	57,494	65,736	81,484	142	124	
Butts .....	18,607	24,664	30,429	164	123	
Trimmings .....	37,552	48,396	46,030	123	95	
Other .....	104,405	110,915	102,941	99	93	
Variety meats .....	32,670	32,521	31,905	98	98	
Unclassified .....	54,726	74,495	67,765	124	91	
Total pork .....	488,721	630,446	606,175	124	96	529,793
<b>Other red meat</b>						
Veal .....	3,652	3,965	3,781	104	95	
Lamb and mutton .....	20,021	23,453	23,943	120	102	
Total other red meat .....	23,673	27,418	27,724	117	101	27,543
<b>Total frozen red meat .....</b>	<b>929,344</b>	<b>1,082,794</b>	<b>1,057,698</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>978,037</b>
<b>Commodities</b>						
Stored in coolers .....	1,484,248	1,455,493	1,444,147	97	99	810,215
Stored in freezers .....	7,846,104	7,985,156	8,337,314	106	104	6,139,282
<b>Total Commodities .....</b>	<b>9,330,352</b>	<b>9,440,649</b>	<b>9,781,461</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>6,949,497</b>

## Nuts and Dairy Products in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Nuts <sup>1</sup></b>					
Shelled					
Peanuts					
South Atlantic .....	219,594	151,352	211,654	96	140
East South Central .....	22,685	16,499	22,723	100	138
West South Central .....	27,119	18,736	19,440	72	104
Pecans					
South Atlantic .....	5,703	10,182	8,228	144	81
East South Central .....	487	864	730	150	84
West South Central .....	20,429	30,529	28,458	139	93
In-shell					
Pecans					
South Atlantic .....	4,698	2,910	11,205	239	385
East South Central .....	1,809	92	1,580	87	1,717
West South Central .....	21,197	23,723	18,826	89	79
<b>Dairy products</b>					
Natural cheese					
American, total					
New England .....	42,431	36,826	36,313	86	99
Middle Atlantic .....	50,446	43,601	42,954	85	99
East North Central .....	255,482	272,284	247,767	97	91
West North Central .....	110,090	103,430	103,449	94	100
South Atlantic .....	89	572	530	596	93
East South Central .....	1,478	3,848	3,198	216	83
West South Central .....	2,317	6,322	6,302	272	100
Mountain .....	57,383	48,172	48,818	85	101
Pacific .....	99,660	93,362	92,370	93	99
Other					
New England .....	978	807	900	92	112
Middle Atlantic .....	20,836	18,957	16,798	81	89
East North Central .....	262,232	267,961	259,285	99	97
West North Central .....	43,963	32,860	32,082	73	98
South Atlantic .....	5,177	5,313	4,590	89	86
East South Central .....	280	891	833	298	93
West South Central .....	1,271	449	489	38	109
Mountain .....	5,865	6,540	6,924	118	106
Pacific .....	25,408	24,210	20,563	81	85

<sup>1</sup> New England and Middle Atlantic combined with South Atlantic. East North Central combined with East South Central. Pacific, Mountain, and West North Central combined with West South Central.



## Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen poultry</b>					
Chicken <sup>1</sup>					
Broilers, fryers, and roasters					
South Atlantic .....	9,849	3,717	4,025	41	108
East South Central .....	928	1,017	911	98	90
West South Central .....	3,953	3,360	4,042	102	120
Pacific .....	924	2,367	2,519	273	106
Hens, mature chickens					
South Atlantic .....	1,973	1,761	539	27	31
East South Central .....	134	698	780	582	112
West South Central .....	620	518	308	50	59
Pacific .....	850	96	101	12	105
Breasts and breast meat					
South Atlantic .....	44,267	32,187	31,303	71	97
East South Central .....	29,945	17,460	19,100	64	109
West South Central .....	44,284	43,956	45,897	104	104
Pacific .....	13,465	11,223	7,935	59	71
Drumsticks					
South Atlantic .....	11,210	10,015	12,903	115	129
East South Central .....	7,893	5,537	5,446	69	98
West South Central .....	4,156	1,853	2,395	58	129
Pacific .....	472	537	623	132	116
Leg quarters					
South Atlantic .....	39,113	42,820	41,656	107	97
East South Central .....	46,734	31,416	40,588	87	129
West South Central .....	18,249	18,460	14,621	80	79
Pacific .....	2,261	1,847	1,857	82	101
Legs					
South Atlantic .....	2,728	2,978	2,952	108	99
East South Central .....	1,389	4,780	4,831	348	101
West South Central .....	4,826	5,278	4,433	92	84
Pacific .....	761	460	632	83	137
Thigh and thigh quarters					
South Atlantic .....	4,790	3,683	3,540	74	96
East South Central .....	1,610	773	913	57	118
West South Central .....	2,530	1,185	1,075	42	91
Pacific .....	513	338	214	42	63
Thigh meat					
South Atlantic .....	10,476	11,535	10,788	103	94
East South Central .....	5,147	1,204	1,341	26	111
West South Central .....	3,488	1,696	1,932	55	114
Pacific .....	726	771	1,229	169	159
Wings					
South Atlantic .....	25,412	34,128	35,076	138	103
East South Central .....	9,195	8,874	10,153	110	114
West South Central .....	12,116	20,335	22,616	187	111
Pacific .....	4,296	1,798	2,138	50	119
Paws and feet					
South Atlantic .....	15,069	17,587	12,814	85	73
East South Central .....	4,687	4,285	4,321	92	101
West South Central .....	4,515	2,107	2,056	46	98
Pacific .....	679	812	623	92	77
Other					
South Atlantic .....	125,658	125,268	124,919	99	100
East South Central .....	73,194	68,155	65,442	89	96
West South Central .....	81,707	84,389	82,783	101	98
Pacific .....	18,618	17,559	13,639	73	78
Total chicken					
South Atlantic .....	290,545	285,679	280,515	97	98
East South Central .....	180,856	144,199	153,826	85	107
West South Central .....	180,444	183,137	182,158	101	99
Pacific .....	43,565	37,808	31,510	72	83

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**Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Turkeys</b>					
Whole turkeys					
New England .....	9,143	17,882	16,575	181	93
Middle Atlantic .....	34,806	35,970	30,944	89	86
East North Central .....	36,860	35,564	27,457	74	77
West North Central .....	28,166	25,309	19,127	68	76
South Atlantic .....	27,959	34,232	30,616	110	89
East South Central .....	8,005	16,835	11,981	150	71
West South Central .....	47,941	95,038	67,091	140	71
Mountain .....	8,064	15,389	16,838	209	109
Pacific .....	6,164	29,120	37,651	611	129
Breasts					
New England .....	428	106	278	65	262
Middle Atlantic .....	1,357	3,559	2,537	187	71
East North Central .....	8,981	12,829	11,031	123	86
West North Central .....	13,336	18,665	16,085	121	86
South Atlantic .....	5,578	8,147	7,201	129	88
East South Central .....	442	1,067	780	176	73
West South Central .....	6,499	16,333	10,585	163	65
Mountain .....	741	2,386	1,976	267	83
Pacific .....	1,913	2,481	3,818	200	154
Legs					
New England .....	-	-	27	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	440	444	407	93	92
East North Central .....	2,169	3,812	4,213	194	111
West North Central .....	5,444	4,591	4,790	88	104
South Atlantic .....	2,195	1,500	1,434	65	96
East South Central .....	36	66	92	256	139
West South Central .....	4,787	1,937	957	20	49
Mountain .....	174	240	230	132	96
Pacific .....	57	226	265	465	117
Mechanically deboned meat					
New England .....	-	8	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	1,466	1,502	1,550	106	103
East North Central .....	1,500	815	909	61	112
West North Central .....	1,164	1,009	973	84	96
South Atlantic .....	1,891	2,133	2,300	122	108
East South Central .....	201	1,041	1,284	639	123
West South Central .....	489	1,237	838	171	68
Mountain .....	248	426	477	192	112
Pacific .....	2,174	545	709	33	130

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## Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons (continued)

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Other</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	2,355	1,677	1,865	79	111
East North Central .....	3,298	5,825	9,763	296	168
West North Central .....	6,417	5,216	6,078	95	117
South Atlantic .....	11,051	8,700	8,284	75	95
East South Central .....	1,344	1,011	929	69	92
West South Central .....	11,683	4,838	4,115	35	85
Mountain .....	181	390	432	239	111
Pacific .....	826	3,009	2,935	355	98
<b>Unclassified</b>					
New England .....	72	29	9	13	31
Middle Atlantic .....	892	1,415	1,231	138	87
East North Central .....	7,725	8,914	7,046	91	79
West North Central .....	19,146	15,987	14,164	74	89
South Atlantic .....	64,396	63,867	56,270	87	88
East South Central .....	307	360	447	146	124
West South Central .....	4,436	5,232	4,228	95	81
Mountain .....	495	696	592	120	85
Pacific .....	1,422	2,200	1,629	115	74
<b>Total turkey</b>					
New England .....	9,643	18,025	16,889	175	94
Middle Atlantic .....	41,316	44,567	38,534	93	86
East North Central .....	60,533	67,759	60,419	100	89
West North Central .....	73,673	70,777	61,217	83	86
South Atlantic .....	113,070	118,579	106,105	94	89
East South Central .....	10,335	20,380	15,513	150	76
West South Central .....	75,835	124,615	87,814	116	70
Mountain .....	9,903	19,527	20,545	207	105
Pacific .....	12,556	37,581	47,007	374	125
<b>Ducks</b>					
New England .....	-	42	34	(X)	81
Middle Atlantic .....	292	437	313	107	72
East North Central .....	1,894	1,714	821	43	48
West North Central .....	146	177	158	108	89
South Atlantic .....	50	-	-	(X)	(X)
East South Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West South Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Mountain .....	16	17	3	19	18
Pacific .....	1,237	259	340	27	131

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> New England and Middle Atlantic combined with South Atlantic. East North Central combined with East South Central. West North Central combined with West South Central. Mountain combined with Pacific.

## Frozen Fruit and Frozen Juice in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen fruit</b>					
<b>Apples</b>					
New England .....	138	55	63	46	115
Middle Atlantic .....	9,537	1,434	1,507	16	105
East North Central .....	37,419	45,616	45,096	121	99
West North Central .....	344	270	306	89	113
South Atlantic .....	268	163	134	50	82
East South Central .....	76	118	88	116	75
West South Central .....	597	561	587	98	105
Mountain .....	176	111	102	58	92
Pacific .....	5,235	3,016	3,842	73	127
<b>Blueberries</b>					
New England .....	20,041	23,536	21,877	109	93
Middle Atlantic .....	11,501	11,440	8,900	77	78
East North Central .....	50,779	71,985	69,396	137	96
West North Central .....	820	1,176	1,096	134	93
South Atlantic .....	5,156	11,014	8,850	172	80
East South Central .....	536	1,477	1,232	230	83
West South Central .....	573	614	617	108	100
Mountain .....	37	169	138	373	82
Pacific .....	70,713	112,796	104,812	148	93
<b>Cherries, tart (ripe tart pitted)</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	7,132	4,896	4,579	64	94
East North Central .....	67,829	14,056	14,696	22	105
West North Central .....	161	267	275	171	103
South Atlantic .....	82	80	43	52	54
East South Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West South Central .....	76	37	43	57	116
Mountain .....	18,303	23,767	22,937	125	97
Pacific .....	4,812	7,411	7,100	148	96
<b>Cherries, sweet</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	50	273	327	654	120
East North Central .....	10,266	15,011	13,881	135	92
West North Central .....	200	795	727	364	91
South Atlantic .....	3	2	2	67	100
East South Central .....	3	9	7	233	78
West South Central .....	10	105	82	820	78
Mountain .....	99	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	3,239	5,937	5,133	158	86
<b>Peaches</b>					
New England .....	26	20	6	23	30
Middle Atlantic .....	968	1,159	1,250	129	108
East North Central .....	21,020	15,263	14,614	70	96
West North Central .....	713	969	1,240	174	128
South Atlantic .....	1,165	1,066	939	81	88
East South Central .....	242	700	674	279	96
West South Central .....	306	446	469	153	105
Mountain .....	69	197	223	323	113
Pacific .....	49,045	50,353	47,676	97	95
<b>Raspberries, red</b>					
New England .....	7	26	5	71	19
Middle Atlantic .....	2,117	2,091	1,938	92	93
East North Central .....	2,147	2,751	1,428	67	52
West North Central .....	1,024	1,086	1,000	98	92
South Atlantic .....	45	52	54	120	104
East South Central .....	251	487	421	168	86
West South Central .....	273	689	597	219	87
Mountain .....	29	93	118	407	127
Pacific .....	59,437	61,498	56,090	94	91

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**Frozen Fruit and Frozen Juice in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Strawberries, total</b>					
New England .....	236	191	94	40	49
Middle Atlantic .....	5,974	4,017	4,727	79	118
East North Central .....	28,846	22,804	20,705	72	91
West North Central .....	6,485	6,760	6,264	97	93
South Atlantic .....	1,756	2,311	2,021	115	87
East South Central .....	1,590	8,513	9,043	569	106
West South Central .....	15,128	21,499	17,945	119	83
Mountain .....	111	115	135	122	117
Pacific .....	288,159	333,422	317,828	110	95
<b>Other</b>					
New England .....	27,877	5,402	28,022	101	519
Middle Atlantic .....	3,033	3,392	3,374	111	99
East North Central .....	305,901	120,433	362,419	118	301
West North Central .....	1,824	2,161	4,625	254	214
South Atlantic .....	3,079	1,393	2,887	94	207
East South Central .....	379	506	365	96	72
West South Central .....	11,869	14,617	13,719	116	94
Mountain .....	278	194	243	87	125
Pacific .....	98,181	75,924	114,464	117	151
<b>Frozen juice concentrate</b>					
<b>Orange<sup>1</sup></b>					
New England .....	55	29	39	71	134
East North Central .....	2,667	2,928	2,716	102	93
West North Central .....	932	579	547	59	94
South Atlantic .....	494,107	638,002	575,855	117	90
East South Central .....	40	44	85	213	193
West South Central .....	4,366	4,745	3,370	77	71
Mountain .....	1,803	1,430	1,291	72	90
Pacific .....	18,356	27,804	23,973	131	86
<b>Other</b>					
New England .....	21,602	10,006	11,331	52	113
Middle Atlantic .....	90,144	69,813	74,614	83	107
East North Central .....	21,793	20,256	23,801	109	118
West North Central .....	18,695	10,235	12,315	66	120
South Atlantic .....	63,366	77,950	80,617	127	103
East South Central .....	712	628	1,629	229	259
West South Central .....	15,649	18,732	21,238	136	113
Mountain .....	2,022	2,389	2,537	125	106
Pacific .....	91,737	103,142	105,173	115	102
<b>Total frozen juice concentrate<sup>2</sup></b>					
New England .....	21,657	10,035	11,370	53	113
Middle Atlantic .....	90,144	69,813	74,614	83	107
East North Central .....	24,460	23,184	26,517	108	114
West North Central .....	19,627	10,814	12,862	66	119
South Atlantic .....	557,473	715,952	656,472	118	92
East South Central .....	752	672	1,714	228	255
West South Central .....	20,015	23,477	24,608	123	105
Mountain .....	3,825	3,819	3,828	100	100
Pacific .....	110,093	130,946	129,146	117	99

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Middle Atlantic combined with South Atlantic.

<sup>2</sup> Middle Atlantic orange juice combined with South Atlantic.

## Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen vegetables <sup>1</sup></b>					
Asparagus					
Middle Atlantic .....	462	380	347	75	91
East North Central .....	4,871	7,464	6,835	140	92
West North Central .....	204	92	70	34	76
South Atlantic .....	123	42	97	79	231
West South Central .....	502	1,620	1,806	360	111
Mountain .....	2	35	39	1,950	111
Pacific .....	761	1,328	1,298	171	98
Lima beans					
Middle Atlantic .....	4,136	3,910	4,278	103	109
East North Central .....	4,720	3,283	3,821	81	116
West North Central .....	5,105	5,669	6,132	120	108
South Atlantic .....	18,097	16,137	26,268	145	163
West South Central .....	663	566	505	76	89
Mountain .....	8	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	27,553	26,332	27,687	100	105
Green beans, regular cut					
Middle Atlantic .....	25,944	14,577	41,234	159	283
East North Central .....	68,981	130,023	121,278	176	93
West North Central .....	13,666	26,987	26,694	195	99
South Atlantic .....	2,245	4,601	3,151	140	68
West South Central .....	1,258	2,962	2,655	211	90
Mountain .....	136	119	129	95	108
Pacific .....	95,955	109,489	112,684	117	103
Green beans, french style					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,813	4,258	3,076	81	72
East North Central .....	7,791	8,906	7,240	93	81
West North Central .....	652	456	348	53	76
South Atlantic .....	248	173	180	73	104
West South Central .....	112	211	226	202	107
Mountain .....	25	-	1	4	(X)
Pacific .....	11,708	8,792	6,889	59	78
Broccoli, spears					
Middle Atlantic .....	5,132	5,544	5,149	100	93
East North Central .....	6,065	4,011	2,789	46	70
West North Central .....	678	289	250	37	87
South Atlantic .....	2,342	963	868	37	90
West South Central .....	12,658	14,870	13,449	106	90
Mountain .....	-	1	2	(X)	200
Pacific .....	4,488	7,679	6,883	153	90
Broccoli, chopped and cut					
Middle Atlantic .....	4,177	4,134	5,183	124	125
East North Central .....	5,540	9,004	9,123	165	101
West North Central .....	372	381	368	99	97
South Atlantic .....	1,506	1,661	1,380	92	83
West South Central .....	13,859	21,045	19,911	144	95
Mountain .....	247	327	273	111	83
Pacific .....	11,962	26,199	25,668	215	98

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**Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Brussels sprouts</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	1,173	1,041	1,122	96	108
East North Central .....	1,604	2,357	3,048	190	129
West North Central .....	78	33	33	42	100
South Atlantic .....	1,887	720	717	38	100
West South Central .....	1,162	1,103	1,060	91	96
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	5,660	2,569	3,910	69	152
<b>Carrots, diced</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	16,142	12,413	18,014	112	145
East North Central .....	31,613	14,831	37,578	119	253
West North Central .....	8,337	5,794	10,319	124	178
South Atlantic .....	586	670	1,296	221	193
West South Central .....	519	300	410	79	137
Mountain .....	9	31	21	233	68
Pacific .....	58,082	25,466	37,032	64	145
<b>Carrots, other</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	12,263	10,181	12,358	101	121
East North Central .....	39,013	17,848	32,104	82	180
West North Central .....	2,655	2,149	2,758	104	128
South Atlantic .....	3,587	1,278	1,794	50	140
West South Central .....	7,403	7,482	6,865	93	92
Mountain .....	80	71	181	226	255
Pacific .....	91,726	71,211	89,412	97	126
<b>Cauliflower</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,737	2,530	2,848	76	113
East North Central .....	2,289	5,182	5,653	247	109
West North Central .....	221	226	270	122	119
South Atlantic .....	863	730	740	86	101
West South Central .....	3,009	3,947	3,701	123	94
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	13,110	10,861	16,805	128	155
<b>Corn, cut</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	31,259	20,349	43,377	139	213
East North Central .....	76,241	80,054	80,809	106	101
West North Central .....	74,621	87,796	86,681	116	99
South Atlantic .....	25,990	24,165	24,729	95	102
West South Central .....	2,421	2,202	2,475	102	112
Mountain .....	3,960	705	731	18	104
Pacific .....	327,241	262,923	304,859	93	116
<b>Corn, cob</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	9,721	4,928	4,053	42	82
East North Central .....	17,298	26,129	25,250	146	97
West North Central .....	51,293	54,068	52,452	102	97
South Atlantic .....	4,256	3,828	2,892	68	76
West South Central .....	2,372	3,034	3,197	135	105
Mountain .....	128	40	67	52	168
Pacific .....	176,785	141,126	178,097	101	126

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**Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Mixed vegetables</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,758	3,393	2,757	73	81
East North Central .....	11,997	6,920	8,488	71	123
West North Central .....	636	751	715	112	95
South Atlantic .....	2,146	1,301	1,281	60	98
West South Central .....	9,028	7,217	6,613	73	92
Mountain .....	1,619	1,840	1,246	77	68
Pacific .....	20,346	18,758	22,997	113	123
<b>Okra</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	2,471	1,526	1,482	60	97
East North Central .....	1,401	827	825	59	100
West North Central .....	48	18	18	38	100
South Atlantic .....	6,301	4,949	4,783	76	97
West South Central .....	27,192	19,877	18,658	69	94
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	2,321	1,815	1,830	79	101
<b>Onion rings</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	215	726	955	444	132
East North Central .....	1,213	715	809	67	113
West North Central .....	1,042	659	810	78	123
South Atlantic .....	1,120	4,233	4,886	436	115
West South Central .....	238	1,903	2,577	1,083	135
Mountain .....	659	1,327	1,851	281	139
Pacific .....	253	420	433	171	103
<b>Onions, other</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,371	2,566	2,739	81	107
East North Central .....	3,543	4,856	4,711	133	97
West North Central .....	645	626	650	101	104
South Atlantic .....	3,841	3,625	4,344	113	120
West South Central .....	1,086	1,380	1,633	150	118
Mountain .....	17,437	14,744	11,653	67	79
Pacific .....	23,625	24,320	26,475	112	109
<b>Blackeye peas</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	371	481	482	130	100
East North Central .....	74	377	150	203	40
West North Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Atlantic .....	311	480	527	169	110
West South Central .....	1,072	970	616	57	64
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	119	105	118	99	112
<b>Green peas</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	14,178	22,617	20,503	145	91
East North Central .....	45,483	48,618	41,287	91	85
West North Central .....	25,776	55,290	50,303	195	91
South Atlantic .....	14,313	10,548	10,209	71	97
West South Central .....	3,042	4,415	3,816	125	86
Mountain .....	101	27	43	43	159
Pacific .....	218,652	182,452	161,185	74	88

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## Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons (continued)

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Peas and carrots mixed					
Middle Atlantic .....	963	796	469	49	59
East North Central .....	827	732	848	103	116
West North Central .....	23	107	97	422	91
South Atlantic .....	404	272	264	65	97
West South Central .....	149	288	268	180	93
Mountain .....	-	3	20	(X)	667
Pacific .....	3,224	3,988	4,002	124	100
Spinach					
Middle Atlantic .....	10,555	7,557	8,682	82	115
East North Central .....	5,184	5,731	5,761	111	101
West North Central .....	495	851	722	146	85
South Atlantic .....	6,167	4,973	6,168	100	124
West South Central .....	6,698	10,066	8,758	131	87
Mountain .....	67	90	56	84	62
Pacific .....	27,812	27,900	24,325	87	87
Squash, summer/zucchini					
Middle Atlantic .....	5,618	3,939	3,463	62	88
East North Central .....	25,618	27,196	27,327	107	100
West North Central .....	111	131	122	110	93
South Atlantic .....	2,942	5,770	6,202	211	107
West South Central .....	6,109	8,186	6,920	113	85
Mountain .....	175	118	83	47	70
Pacific .....	28,295	24,711	26,383	93	107
Southern greens					
Middle Atlantic .....	2,058	1,006	862	42	86
East North Central .....	848	397	688	81	173
West North Central .....	13	5	4	31	80
South Atlantic .....	2,566	1,586	1,384	54	87
West South Central .....	6,250	6,287	5,149	82	82
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	1,342	391	371	28	95
Other					
Middle Atlantic .....	53,929	42,080	46,896	87	111
East North Central .....	75,797	82,906	93,897	124	113
West North Central .....	23,758	23,674	24,825	104	105
South Atlantic .....	27,317	30,414	32,118	118	106
West South Central .....	34,137	52,688	50,086	147	95
Mountain .....	14,030	15,908	18,940	135	119
Pacific .....	169,923	180,816	183,250	108	101
Total frozen vegetables					
Middle Atlantic .....	215,446	170,932	230,329	107	135
East North Central .....	438,011	488,367	520,319	119	107
West North Central .....	210,429	266,052	264,641	126	99
South Atlantic .....	129,158	123,119	136,278	106	111
West South Central .....	140,939	172,619	161,354	114	93
Mountain .....	38,683	35,386	35,336	91	100
Pacific .....	1,320,943	1,159,651	1,262,593	96	109

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> New England combined with Middle Atlantic. East South Central combined with South Atlantic.

## Frozen Potatoes in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

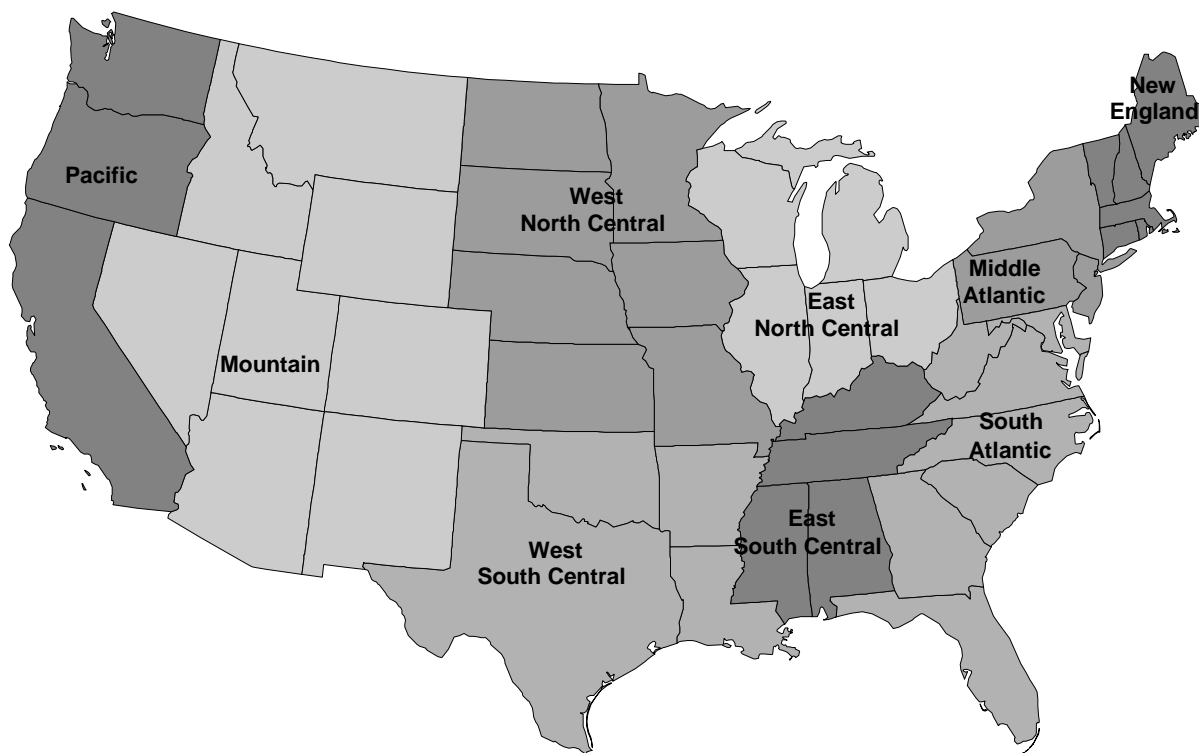
Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen potatoes</b>					
French fries					
New England .....	22,841	30,115	31,896	140	106
Middle Atlantic .....	38,744	32,329	36,409	94	113
East North Central .....	55,694	59,037	68,023	122	115
West North Central .....	94,780	118,638	123,259	130	104
South Atlantic .....	37,519	44,321	49,402	132	111
East South Central .....	1,328	554	167	13	30
West South Central .....	37,469	41,781	45,788	122	110
Mountain .....	212,444	193,552	205,510	97	106
Pacific .....	408,053	361,576	372,459	91	103
Other					
New England .....	4,077	4,823	4,799	118	100
Middle Atlantic .....	12,458	14,168	15,418	124	109
East North Central .....	16,338	18,663	18,816	115	101
West North Central .....	9,372	11,160	11,601	124	104
South Atlantic .....	10,269	19,610	20,989	204	107
East South Central .....	1,157	754	321	28	43
West South Central .....	21,620	31,842	28,999	134	91
Mountain .....	68,866	58,821	60,293	88	103
Pacific .....	65,106	71,129	73,112	112	103
Total frozen potatoes					
New England .....	26,918	34,938	36,695	136	105
Middle Atlantic .....	51,202	46,497	51,827	101	111
East North Central .....	72,032	77,700	86,839	121	112
West North Central .....	104,152	129,798	134,860	129	104
South Atlantic .....	47,788	63,931	70,391	147	110
East South Central .....	2,485	1,308	488	20	37
West South Central .....	59,089	73,623	74,787	127	102
Mountain .....	281,310	252,373	265,803	94	105
Pacific .....	473,159	432,705	445,571	94	103

## Frozen Red Meat in Cold Storage – Regions: October 31, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			October 31, 2012 as a percent of	
	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 31, 2012	October 31, 2011	September 30, 2012
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen red meat</b>					
<b>Beef</b>					
Boneless					
New England .....	461	292	212	46	73
Middle Atlantic .....	67,655	55,536	54,653	81	98
East North Central .....	40,634	37,721	39,796	98	106
West North Central .....	110,641	112,491	114,915	104	102
South Atlantic .....	8,118	17,864	11,889	146	67
East South Central .....	496	1,126	1,039	209	92
West South Central .....	57,662	53,211	54,393	94	102
Mountain .....	15,744	20,861	23,225	148	111
Pacific .....	57,630	53,856	49,429	86	92
Beef cuts					
New England .....	5	11	14	280	127
Middle Atlantic .....	9,425	14,394	13,006	138	90
East North Central .....	5,705	2,381	2,781	49	117
West North Central .....	19,234	38,605	38,909	202	101
South Atlantic .....	1,415	1,548	1,930	136	125
East South Central .....	171	167	101	59	60
West South Central .....	2,524	6,362	5,526	219	87
Mountain .....	5,538	1,560	1,260	23	81
Pacific .....	13,892	6,944	10,721	77	154
Total beef					
New England .....	466	303	226	48	75
Middle Atlantic .....	77,080	69,930	67,659	88	97
East North Central .....	46,339	40,102	42,577	92	106
West North Central .....	129,875	151,096	153,824	118	102
South Atlantic .....	9,533	19,412	13,819	145	71
East South Central .....	667	1,293	1,140	171	88
West South Central .....	60,186	59,573	59,919	100	101
Mountain .....	21,282	22,421	24,485	115	109
Pacific .....	71,522	60,800	60,150	84	99
<b>Other meat<sup>1</sup></b>					
Veal					
Middle Atlantic .....	1,413	837	1,076	76	129
East North Central .....	1,147	1,990	1,387	121	70
West South Central .....	807	517	533	66	103
Pacific .....	285	621	785	275	126
Lamb and mutton					
Middle Atlantic .....	8,352	8,623	8,185	98	95
East North Central .....	1,527	1,807	2,073	136	115
West South Central .....	886	1,327	2,259	255	170
Pacific .....	9,256	11,696	11,426	123	98
Total other meat					
Middle Atlantic .....	9,765	9,460	9,261	95	98
East North Central .....	2,674	3,797	3,460	129	91
West South Central .....	1,693	1,844	2,792	165	151
Pacific .....	9,541	12,317	12,211	128	99

<sup>1</sup> New England and South Atlantic combined with Middle Atlantic. East South Central combined with East North Central. West North Central combined with West South Central. Mountain combined with Pacific.

## Cold Storage Regions



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### Definitions

**Beef, boneless:** Includes all boxed boneless beef, such as ground beef, roasts, steaks, loins, strips, rounds, trimmings, etc. Excludes variety meats (edible offal), such as tongues, livers, hearts, kidneys, and other organs removed from slaughtered beef.

**Beef cuts:** Includes all boxed primal beef cuts, bone-in.

**Orange juice concentrate:** Adjusted to 42.0 degrees Brix equivalent (9.896 pounds per gallon).

**Pork, boneless hams:** Includes full ham, bone removed and individual muscles separated.

**Pork, boneless loins:** Includes pork tenderloins.

**Pork, ribs:** Includes spareribs and backribs.

**Pork, trimmings:** Includes 42% regular trimmings, 72% special trimmings, boneless picnic meat, jowls, neckbone trimmings, blade, cheek, head, and shank meat, etc. Packaged bacon, sausage, and processed items, such as hot dogs and luncheon meats, are not included.

**Pork, other:** Includes ears, tails, feet, neckbones and snouts.

**Pork, variety meats:** Includes tongues, kidneys, livers, stomachs, hearts, chitterlings, salivary glands, and other organs removed from slaughtered hogs.

**Pork, unclassified:** Includes product unable to be classified elsewhere in this report.

## Publication Notes

**Published March 22, 2011:** Beginning with the January 31, 2011 data, an increase in survey response and a change in classification of reported data resulted in an increase of breasts & breast meat, drumsticks, legs, and wings along with a corresponding decrease in other chicken. Updated historic reported data prior to 2011 was unavailable. Year to year relationships was impacted by this change.

**Published February 22, 2011:** The 2010 revisions of American and other natural cheese was the result of increased coverage of cold storage facilities. Please refer to the *Cold Storage 2010 Summary*, published February 22, 2011, for all 2010 cold storage commodity estimates. Beginning with the January 31, 2010 data, cherries, tart (juice) was published under two categories: cherries, tart (juice stock) and cherries, tart (juice concentrate). The 2010 monthly data for these categories was published in the *Cold Storage 2010 Summary*, released on February 22, 2010.

**Published June 22, 2010:** A change in classification of reported data beginning with May 31, 2010 in the Other Chicken category resulted in an increase of Leg Quarters, Legs, and Paws and Feet along with a corresponding decrease in Other Chicken. There was also an increase in reported data for Drumsticks, Leg Quarters, Paws and Feet, and Other Chicken due to increased coverage and participation of facilities in the survey. Updated historic data prior to May 31, 2010 for these facilities were unavailable.

**Published February 22, 2010:** A change in classification of reported data beginning with January 31, 2009 in the Other Chicken category resulted in an increase of Leg Quarters along with a corresponding decrease in Other Chicken. The updated 2009 data for these categories was published in the 2009 Annual Summary, released on February 22, 2010. The Total Chicken category was unaffected by this change in reporting.

**Published December 22, 2009:** The increase in Orange Juice Concentrate from October to November 2009 reflected previously unreported stocks included in the November estimate. Revisions for October and previous months were not available at this time.

**Published November 20, 2009:** Due to updated facility information, the January 2009 - September 2009 cheese data was revised. Please note the revision tables on pages 13 and 14. Updated data for 2008 was not available.

**Published October 22, 2009:** Beginning with the February 22, 2010 *Cold Storage report*, Other Turkey was separated into the following five categories: breast meat, legs, mechanically deboned meat, other, and unclassified. The 2009 data for these categories was published in the 2009 Annual Summary, released on February 22, 2010. Data for the five categories prior to 2009 was not available.

**Published June 22, 2009:** Beginning with April 30, 2009 revised estimates, an increase in strawberry inventory was the result of increased coverage of cold storage facilities as well as updated plant information. The April 2009 revisions of frozen strawberries covered the following categories: Total, IQF and Poly, Pails and Tubs, Barrels and Drums, and Juice Stock. Updated historic reported strawberry data prior to April 2009 was unavailable. Year to year relationships for strawberry and the total fruit categories were impacted by this change.

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## Statistical Methodology

**Survey Procedures:** Questionnaires are mailed about the 24th of each month to all operators on the list of approximately 1,400 public and private cold storage warehouses. In addition, data are obtained from special surveys and other sources. All survey data represent stocks as of the end of the month.

Data are collected from warehouses artificially cooled to a temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit or lower, and whose food products are normally stored for 30 days or more. All food items in these facilities are reported regardless of the number of days stored at the time of the report. Also included are specialized storage facilities meeting the 30 day requirement, such as fruit houses, dairy manufacturing plants, frozen fruit, fruit juice, vegetable processors, and poultry and meat packing plants. Excluded are stocks in space maintained by wholesalers, jobbers, distributors, chain stores, locker plants containing individual lockers, meat packer branch houses, and frozen food processors whose entire inventories are turned over more than once a month.

All commodities reported on the cold storage report are regardless of ownership or origin. NASS does not differentiate between commodities owned by manufacturer, producer, wholesaler, retailer, government owned, or domestically produced vs. imported.

**Estimating Procedures:** Data for reporting firms are added to estimates for non-reporting firms to obtain regional and National totals. Estimates for non-reporting firms are obtained by multiplying the previous month's figure by a percent change from the previous month. The percent change is calculated for each item from totals of the current and previous month summed from firms that reported both months.

**Revision Policy:** Data are revised the following month based on late reports or corrected data. Final figures are published in the annual summary in February of the following year.

**Reliability:** Reports are received from 900 firms each month which represent about 70 percent of the total capacity. Firms that are not on the list or firms who have never reported are not represented in the data. Plants storing butter or cheese are required under Federal law as defined in Public Laws 106-532 and 107-171 to complete the monthly *Cold Storage* report. Monthly data can vary due to different firms reporting month to month. Survey data are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions and mistakes in reporting and in processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized by carefully reviewing all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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