



# Cold Storage

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## Highlights

**Total natural cheese stocks** in refrigerated warehouses on March 31, 2013 were up 3 percent from the previous month and up 5 percent from March 31, 2012.

**Butter stocks** were up 7 percent from last month and up 22 percent from a year ago.

**Total frozen poultry supplies** on March 31, 2013 were down 2 percent from the previous month but up 7 percent from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 4 percent from the previous month but up 8 percent from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 2 percent from last month and up 7 percent from March 31, 2012.

**Total frozen fruit stocks** were down 9 percent from last month but up 6 percent from a year ago.

**Total frozen vegetable stocks** were down 9 percent from last month but up 6 percent from a year ago.

**Total red meat supplies** in freezers were up 3 percent from the previous month and up 4 percent from last year. Total pounds of beef in freezers were up 5 percent from the previous month and up 2 percent from last year. Frozen pork supplies were up 2 percent from the previous month and up 6 percent from last year. Stocks of pork bellies were up 20 percent from last month but down 22 percent from last year.

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**Nuts, Dairy Products, Frozen Eggs, and Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – United States: March 31, 2013  
with Comparisons**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Nuts</b>						
Shelled						
Pecans .....	42,576	47,292	49,538	116	105	
In-Shell						
Pecans .....	143,624	209,428	216,594	151	103	
<b>Dairy products</b>						
Butter .....	208,253	238,342	254,801	122	107	210,356
Natural cheese						
American .....	651,005	661,019	680,222	104	103	
Swiss .....	28,872	30,130	30,503	106	101	
Other .....	365,596	377,607	391,393	107	104	
Total natural cheese .....	1,045,473	1,068,756	1,102,118	105	103	681,760
<b>Frozen eggs</b>						
Whites .....	3,714	2,934	3,390	91	116	
Yolks .....	2,702	2,229	2,412	89	108	
Whole and mixed .....	10,326	7,988	6,234	60	78	
Unclassified .....	16,927	15,469	14,961	88	97	
Total frozen eggs .....	33,669	28,620	26,997	80	94	25,679
<b>Frozen poultry</b>						
Chicken						
Broilers, fryers, and roasters .....	16,642	16,409	14,880	89	91	
Hens, mature chickens .....	1,786	1,505	1,521	85	101	
Breasts and breast meat .....	123,259	128,153	122,828	100	96	
Drumsticks .....	13,451	13,403	15,750	117	118	
Leg quarters .....	72,400	111,805	99,565	138	89	
Legs .....	9,476	10,020	6,623	70	66	
Thigh and thigh quarters .....	9,025	7,682	7,587	84	99	
Thigh Meat .....	18,790	17,836	14,105	75	79	
Wings .....	33,183	63,305	74,922	226	118	
Paws and feet .....	25,950	19,995	19,390	75	97	
Other .....	250,493	251,195	240,715	96	96	
Total chicken .....	574,455	641,308	617,886	108	96	
Turkey						
Whole turkeys						
Toms .....	71,457	82,841	97,117	136	117	
Hens .....	86,829	88,093	93,004	107	106	
Total whole turkeys .....	158,286	170,934	190,121	120	111	
Breasts .....	64,523	66,655	69,779	108	105	
Legs .....	21,419	19,515	18,747	88	96	
Mechanically deboned meat .....	11,383	12,924	10,988	97	85	
Other .....	31,789	30,789	30,396	96	99	
Unclassified .....	87,868	93,938	81,569	93	87	
Total turkey .....	375,268	394,755	401,600	107	102	
Ducks .....	2,546	1,482	1,492	59	101	
Total frozen poultry .....	952,269	1,037,545	1,020,978	107	98	936,148

## Frozen Fruit and Frozen Juice in Cold Storage – United States: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Frozen fruit</b>						
Apples .....	70,943	48,411	46,131	65	95	
Apricots .....	3,003	2,340	1,912	64	82	
Blackberries						
Individual quality frozen .....	15,941	16,721	16,204	102	97	
Pails and tubs .....	1,817	1,935	1,627	90	84	
Barrels, 400 lbs net .....	3,219	6,903	5,850	182	85	
Concentrate .....	382	416	368	96	88	
Total blackberries .....	21,359	25,975	24,049	113	93	
Blueberries .....	96,723	152,187	137,077	142	90	
Boysenberries .....	530	1,635	1,059	200	65	
Cherries, tart (ripe tart pitted) .....	54,211	38,315	33,787	62	88	
Cherries, tart (juice stock) .....	1,307	799	872	67	109	
Cherries, tart (juice concentrate) .....	1,426	647	615	43	95	
Cherries, sweet .....	10,867	19,224	19,472	179	101	
Grapes .....	2,677	2,393	1,822	68	76	
Peaches .....	48,374	40,062	33,721	70	84	
Raspberries, black .....	226	543	421	186	78	
Raspberries, red						
Individual quality frozen .....	16,499	14,692	14,078	85	96	
Pails and tubs .....	5,976	6,833	5,642	94	83	
Barrels, 400 lbs net .....	14,209	17,448	14,290	101	82	
Concentrate .....	1,644	842	1,367	83	162	
Total red raspberries .....	38,328	39,815	35,377	92	89	
Strawberries						
Individual quality frozen and poly .....	75,314	99,481	97,276	129	98	
Pails and tubs .....	55,897	60,732	54,464	97	90	
Barrels and drums .....	50,977	71,026	60,951	120	86	
Juice stock .....	17,297	8,844	6,754	39	76	
Total strawberries .....	199,485	240,083	219,445	110	91	
Other .....	331,923	417,678	378,953	114	91	
<b>Total frozen fruit .....</b>	<b>881,382</b>	<b>1,030,107</b>	<b>934,713</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>827,914</b>
<b>Frozen juice concentrate</b>						
Orange .....	888,950	875,350	946,961	107	108	
(Gallon equivalent) .....	89,829	88,455	95,691			
Other .....	347,122	331,870	374,804	108	113	
<b>Total frozen juice concentrate .....</b>	<b>1,236,072</b>	<b>1,207,220</b>	<b>1,321,765</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>276,187</b>

## Frozen Vegetables and Potatoes in Cold Storage – United States: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Frozen vegetables</b>						
Asparagus .....	7,365	6,515	5,552	75	85	
Lima beans .....	31,819	49,776	43,450	137	87	
Green beans, regular cut .....	125,018	201,608	181,245	145	90	
Green beans, french style .....	15,769	14,331	12,952	82	90	
Broccoli, spears .....	34,983	23,701	22,598	65	95	
Broccoli, chopped and cut .....	48,491	46,544	41,671	86	90	
Brussels sprouts .....	10,747	13,534	12,289	114	91	
Carrots, diced .....	120,892	143,728	141,326	117	98	
Carrots, other .....	112,937	143,605	132,958	118	93	
Cauliflower .....	20,430	24,983	23,472	115	94	
Corn, cut .....	334,802	410,588	371,842	111	91	
Corn, cob .....	173,112	202,672	173,975	100	86	
Mixed vegetables .....	47,146	44,219	40,905	87	93	
Okra .....	18,537	14,701	10,541	57	72	
Onion rings .....	6,849	10,837	10,947	160	101	
Onions, other .....	64,446	45,110	41,639	65	92	
Blackeye peas .....	1,306	1,455	2,033	156	140	
Green peas .....	143,400	165,683	133,936	93	81	
Peas and carrots mixed .....	5,366	7,539	6,546	122	87	
Spinach .....	56,901	51,973	53,665	94	103	
Squash, summer/zucchini .....	52,259	55,137	48,690	93	88	
Southern greens .....	16,892	15,199	15,473	92	102	
Other .....	319,645	352,909	339,266	106	96	
Total frozen vegetables .....	1,769,112	2,046,347	1,866,971	106	91	1,184,466
<b>Frozen potatoes</b>						
French fries .....	916,555	1,000,505	988,220	108	99	
Other .....	212,453	232,226	234,162	110	101	
Total frozen potatoes .....	1,129,008	1,232,731	1,222,382	108	99	959,196

## Red Meat and Commodities in Cold Storage – United States: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of		Public warehouse stocks
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Frozen red meat</b>						
<b>Beef</b>						
Boneless .....	434,560	433,261	459,394	106	106	
Beef cuts .....	68,610	56,717	53,849	78	95	
Total beef .....	503,170	489,978	513,243	102	105	510,159
<b>Pork</b>						
Picnics, bone-in .....	9,311	16,814	16,458	177	98	
<b>Hams</b>						
Bone-in .....	36,010	53,474	35,546	99	66	
Boneless .....	44,077	57,289	59,421	135	104	
Total hams .....	80,087	110,763	94,967	119	86	
Bellies .....	66,031	42,976	51,491	78	120	
<b>Loins</b>						
Bone-in .....	15,525	15,224	14,887	96	98	
Boneless .....	28,257	27,123	29,455	104	109	
Total loins .....	43,782	42,347	44,342	101	105	
Ribs .....	101,893	119,439	121,283	119	102	
Butts .....	31,532	28,710	24,421	77	85	
Trimming .....	68,147	64,372	66,127	97	103	
Other .....	96,777	111,855	123,241	127	110	
Variety meats .....	35,099	32,562	34,947	100	107	
Unclassified .....	77,659	63,561	71,512	92	113	
Total pork .....	610,318	633,399	648,789	106	102	579,858
<b>Other red meat</b>						
Veal .....	4,500	4,858	5,782	128	119	
Lamb and mutton .....	21,846	19,833	17,692	81	89	
Total other red meat .....	26,346	24,691	23,474	89	95	23,276
<b>Total frozen red meat</b> .....	<b>1,139,834</b>	<b>1,148,068</b>	<b>1,185,506</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>1,113,293</b>
<b>Commodities</b>						
Stored in coolers .....	1,439,926	1,563,818	1,623,051	113	104	971,003
Stored in freezers .....	7,141,346	7,730,638	7,579,312	106	98	5,322,883
<b>Total Commodities</b> .....	<b>8,581,272</b>	<b>9,294,456</b>	<b>9,202,363</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>6,293,886</b>

## Nuts and Dairy Products in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Nuts <sup>1</sup></b>					
Shelled					
Pecans					
South Atlantic .....	10,930	11,452	12,636	116	110
East South Central .....	1,479	1,307	1,125	76	86
West South Central .....	30,167	34,533	35,777	119	104
In-shell					
Pecans					
South Atlantic .....	45,137	57,634	59,402	132	103
East South Central .....	585	1,280	898	154	70
West South Central .....	97,902	150,514	156,294	160	104
<b>Dairy products</b>					
Natural cheese					
American, total					
New England .....	41,013	44,104	46,213	113	105
Middle Atlantic .....	53,066	46,159	48,617	92	105
East North Central .....	278,309	273,853	282,022	101	103
West North Central .....	108,908	113,975	116,627	107	102
South Atlantic .....	47	334	517	1,100	155
East South Central .....	2,920	3,989	3,518	120	88
West South Central .....	10,275	12,243	10,510	102	86
Mountain .....	47,940	54,859	55,917	117	102
Pacific .....	108,527	111,503	116,281	107	104
Other					
New England .....	928	1,122	1,341	145	120
Middle Atlantic .....	15,108	19,359	19,849	131	103
East North Central .....	268,242	263,565	269,260	100	102
West North Central .....	35,539	35,714	38,746	109	108
South Atlantic .....	6,030	5,515	6,150	102	112
East South Central .....	11,373	15,746	18,547	163	118
West South Central .....	915	1,021	632	69	62
Mountain .....	4,729	6,682	6,890	146	103
Pacific .....	22,732	28,883	29,978	132	104

<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: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(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 .....	7,717	3,256	3,632	47	112
East South Central .....	985	672	916	93	136
West South Central .....	5,368	10,084	8,487	158	84
Pacific .....	2,572	2,397	1,845	72	77
Hens, mature chickens					
South Atlantic .....	1,272	217	215	17	99
East South Central .....	20	90	110	550	122
West South Central .....	424	1,131	1,111	262	98
Pacific .....	70	67	85	121	127
Breasts and breast meat					
South Atlantic .....	34,416	40,953	38,345	111	94
East South Central .....	32,516	21,941	21,713	67	99
West South Central .....	42,738	51,759	50,038	117	97
Pacific .....	13,589	13,500	12,732	94	94
Drumsticks					
South Atlantic .....	7,473	7,473	6,490	87	87
East South Central .....	3,312	2,780	2,541	77	91
West South Central .....	2,225	2,483	6,117	275	246
Pacific .....	441	667	602	137	90
Leg quarters					
South Atlantic .....	29,993	48,263	38,026	127	79
East South Central .....	24,501	34,017	26,717	109	79
West South Central .....	15,385	27,542	33,200	216	121
Pacific .....	2,521	1,983	1,622	64	82
Legs					
South Atlantic .....	5,482	5,069	3,339	61	66
East South Central .....	982	1,936	913	93	47
West South Central .....	2,825	2,119	1,472	52	69
Pacific .....	187	896	899	481	100
Thigh and thigh quarters					
South Atlantic .....	5,266	4,161	4,143	79	100
East South Central .....	1,255	1,418	2,016	161	142
West South Central .....	1,641	1,538	1,169	71	76
Pacific .....	863	565	259	30	46
Thigh meat					
South Atlantic .....	13,978	12,153	9,268	66	76
East South Central .....	2,648	1,496	1,127	43	75
West South Central .....	1,746	3,217	2,675	153	83
Pacific .....	418	970	1,035	248	107
Wings					
South Atlantic .....	21,312	33,245	41,098	193	124
East South Central .....	4,015	9,971	12,246	305	123
West South Central .....	6,179	17,619	19,782	320	112
Pacific .....	1,677	2,470	1,796	107	73
Paws and feet					
South Atlantic .....	17,162	11,732	11,081	65	94
East South Central .....	5,641	4,038	4,028	71	100
West South Central .....	2,579	3,602	3,214	125	89
Pacific .....	568	623	1,067	188	171
Other					
South Atlantic .....	113,918	112,997	103,241	91	91
East South Central .....	58,238	54,555	52,755	91	97
West South Central .....	64,680	72,820	72,972	113	100
Pacific .....	13,657	10,823	11,747	86	109
Total chicken					
South Atlantic .....	257,989	279,519	258,878	100	93
East South Central .....	134,113	132,914	125,082	93	94
West South Central .....	145,790	193,914	200,237	137	103
Pacific .....	36,563	34,961	33,689	92	96

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**Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Turkeys</b>					
<b>Whole turkeys</b>					
New England .....	1,879	2,966	3,295	175	111
Middle Atlantic .....	13,926	4,341	5,256	38	121
East North Central .....	14,009	11,853	14,046	100	119
West North Central .....	23,257	16,203	19,545	84	121
South Atlantic .....	14,918	27,166	30,774	206	113
East South Central .....	6,192	760	618	10	81
West South Central .....	69,593	89,384	95,094	137	106
Mountain .....	9,163	12,568	10,782	118	86
Pacific .....	5,349	5,693	10,711	200	188
<b>Breasts</b>					
New England .....	32	11	15	47	136
Middle Atlantic .....	1,872	1,977	2,321	124	117
East North Central .....	11,015	14,710	17,164	156	117
West North Central .....	15,921	16,508	16,905	106	102
South Atlantic .....	14,620	8,176	8,498	58	104
East South Central .....	231	395	551	239	139
West South Central .....	17,969	16,219	15,513	86	96
Mountain .....	952	2,747	3,077	323	112
Pacific .....	1,911	5,912	5,735	300	97
<b>Legs</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	551	473	423	77	89
East North Central .....	3,698	4,505	4,180	113	93
West North Central .....	8,589	7,481	7,682	89	103
South Atlantic .....	2,324	2,904	2,160	93	74
East South Central .....	48	291	435	906	149
West South Central .....	5,226	1,696	1,692	32	100
Mountain .....	660	313	554	84	177
Pacific .....	323	1,852	1,621	502	88
<b>Mechanically deboned meat</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	1,436	2,252	1,910	133	85
East North Central .....	1,434	671	391	27	58
West North Central .....	750	1,084	529	71	49
South Atlantic .....	1,887	6,543	5,214	276	80
East South Central .....	1,888	1,837	2,456	130	134
West South Central .....	3,014	203	172	6	85
Mountain .....	340	299	195	57	65
Pacific .....	634	35	121	19	346

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## Frozen Poultry in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons (continued)

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Other					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	1,554	1,783	1,783	115	100
East North Central .....	4,117	5,678	5,715	139	101
West North Central .....	6,350	7,447	6,841	108	92
South Atlantic .....	12,140	7,705	8,385	69	109
East South Central .....	742	1,261	1,835	247	146
West South Central .....	4,590	3,819	3,686	80	97
Mountain .....	889	207	287	32	139
Pacific .....	1,407	2,889	1,864	132	65
Unclassified					
New England .....	6	19	15	250	79
Middle Atlantic .....	822	1,260	1,243	151	99
East North Central .....	8,400	11,043	11,533	137	104
West North Central .....	15,593	13,024	12,920	83	99
South Atlantic .....	47,451	63,378	50,430	106	80
East South Central .....	62	247	232	374	94
West South Central .....	13,452	2,350	2,385	18	101
Mountain .....	557	665	836	150	126
Pacific .....	1,525	1,952	1,975	130	101
Total turkey					
New England .....	1,917	2,996	3,325	173	111
Middle Atlantic .....	20,161	12,086	12,936	64	107
East North Central .....	42,673	48,460	53,029	124	109
West North Central .....	70,460	61,747	64,422	91	104
South Atlantic .....	93,340	115,872	105,461	113	91
East South Central .....	9,163	4,791	6,127	67	128
West South Central .....	113,844	113,671	118,542	104	104
Mountain .....	12,561	16,799	15,731	125	94
Pacific .....	11,149	18,333	22,027	198	120
Ducks					
New England .....	-	15	13	(X)	87
Middle Atlantic .....	174	333	336	193	101
East North Central .....	1,918	584	653	34	112
West North Central .....	115	8	12	10	150
South Atlantic .....	7	-	-	(X)	(X)
East South Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West South Central .....	-	7	-	(X)	(X)
Mountain .....	14	6	6	43	100
Pacific .....	318	529	472	148	89

- 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: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen fruit</b>					
<b>Apples</b>					
New England .....	92	101	81	88	80
Middle Atlantic .....	2,924	1,236	1,158	40	94
East North Central .....	61,160	40,504	37,948	62	94
West North Central .....	335	174	155	46	89
South Atlantic .....	234	194	147	63	76
East South Central .....	87	119	83	95	70
West South Central .....	604	820	655	108	80
Mountain .....	72	71	82	114	115
Pacific .....	5,435	5,192	5,822	107	112
<b>Blueberries</b>					
New England .....	8,589	17,575	13,663	159	78
Middle Atlantic .....	5,044	4,430	3,657	73	83
East North Central .....	31,392	53,178	48,691	155	92
West North Central .....	663	822	1,050	158	128
South Atlantic .....	5,992	4,620	4,006	67	87
East South Central .....	208	1,012	993	477	98
West South Central .....	330	1,030	812	246	79
Mountain .....	40	105	97	243	92
Pacific .....	44,465	69,415	64,108	144	92
<b>Cherries, tart (ripe tart pitted)</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	3,592	3,817	3,070	85	80
East North Central .....	35,781	16,400	14,446	40	88
West North Central .....	168	244	239	142	98
South Atlantic .....	38	20	19	50	95
East South Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West South Central .....	42	96	75	179	78
Mountain .....	11,703	13,087	10,442	89	80
Pacific .....	2,887	4,651	5,496	190	118
<b>Cherries, sweet</b>					
New England .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Middle Atlantic .....	64	756	761	1,189	101
East North Central .....	7,003	11,093	10,588	151	95
West North Central .....	214	331	260	121	79
South Atlantic .....	3	29	2	67	7
East South Central .....	7	20	16	229	80
West South Central .....	17	141	151	888	107
Mountain .....	16	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	3,543	6,854	7,694	217	112
<b>Peaches</b>					
New England .....	3	28	15	500	54
Middle Atlantic .....	739	1,107	941	127	85
East North Central .....	13,036	11,896	10,277	79	86
West North Central .....	348	661	646	186	98
South Atlantic .....	639	706	670	105	95
East South Central .....	163	444	369	226	83
West South Central .....	406	447	431	106	96
Mountain .....	63	51	46	73	90
Pacific .....	32,977	24,722	20,326	62	82
<b>Raspberries, red</b>					
New England .....	27	4	1	4	25
Middle Atlantic .....	1,354	1,092	1,152	85	105
East North Central .....	2,243	1,400	1,398	62	100
West North Central .....	691	728	632	91	87
South Atlantic .....	45	59	61	136	103
East South Central .....	151	885	764	506	86
West South Central .....	297	437	608	205	139
Mountain .....	84	41	76	90	185
Pacific .....	33,436	35,169	30,685	92	87

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**Frozen Fruit and Frozen Juice in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Strawberries, total</b>					
New England .....	127	224	142	112	63
Middle Atlantic .....	4,256	3,640	3,160	74	87
East North Central .....	21,886	11,173	14,850	68	133
West North Central .....	4,220	4,146	3,837	91	93
South Atlantic .....	2,665	1,763	1,686	63	96
East South Central .....	951	6,266	6,243	656	100
West South Central .....	14,628	20,218	30,240	207	150
Mountain .....	94	58	61	65	105
Pacific .....	150,658	192,595	159,226	106	83
<b>Other</b>					
New England .....	15,778	14,087	14,107	89	100
Middle Atlantic .....	3,079	4,182	4,543	148	109
East North Central .....	203,225	264,538	236,377	116	89
West North Central .....	1,714	3,951	3,766	220	95
South Atlantic .....	2,681	2,527	2,340	87	93
East South Central .....	393	197	179	46	91
West South Central .....	17,392	9,924	8,407	48	85
Mountain .....	219	240	449	205	187
Pacific .....	87,442	118,032	108,785	124	92
<b>Frozen juice concentrate</b>					
<b>Orange<sup>1</sup></b>					
New England .....	39	24	41	105	171
East North Central .....	4,087	3,325	3,968	97	119
West North Central .....	580	561	630	109	112
South Atlantic .....	855,763	841,999	900,632	105	107
East South Central .....	81	92	106	131	115
West South Central .....	8,833	7,307	19,548	221	268
Mountain .....	1,949	1,880	2,030	104	108
Pacific .....	17,618	20,162	20,006	114	99
<b>Other</b>					
New England .....	15,065	6,340	8,129	54	128
Middle Atlantic .....	76,998	75,525	82,338	107	109
East North Central .....	16,535	20,178	20,097	122	100
West North Central .....	11,259	13,199	14,305	127	108
South Atlantic .....	113,906	71,003	86,431	76	122
East South Central .....	904	1,401	1,552	172	111
West South Central .....	15,805	26,840	32,050	203	119
Mountain .....	1,832	2,865	2,590	141	90
Pacific .....	94,818	114,519	127,312	134	111
<b>Total frozen juice concentrate<sup>2</sup></b>					
New England .....	15,104	6,364	8,170	54	128
Middle Atlantic .....	76,998	75,525	82,338	107	109
East North Central .....	20,622	23,503	24,065	117	102
West North Central .....	11,839	13,760	14,935	126	109
South Atlantic .....	969,669	913,002	987,063	102	108
East South Central .....	985	1,493	1,658	168	111
West South Central .....	24,638	34,147	51,598	209	151
Mountain .....	3,781	4,745	4,620	122	97
Pacific .....	112,436	134,681	147,318	131	109

- 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: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen vegetables <sup>1</sup></b>					
Asparagus					
Middle Atlantic .....	310	448	365	118	81
East North Central .....	4,403	3,018	2,719	62	90
West North Central .....	239	138	64	27	46
South Atlantic .....	55	45	34	62	76
West South Central .....	1,014	1,626	1,282	126	79
Mountain .....	109	50	40	37	80
Pacific .....	1,235	1,190	1,048	85	88
Lima beans					
Middle Atlantic .....	2,790	6,924	7,312	262	106
East North Central .....	3,731	3,923	3,713	100	95
West North Central .....	2,605	5,280	5,274	202	100
South Atlantic .....	9,007	20,301	14,823	165	73
West South Central .....	634	563	512	81	91
Mountain .....	10	5	8	80	160
Pacific .....	13,042	12,780	11,808	91	92
Green beans, regular cut					
Middle Atlantic .....	13,890	32,489	30,516	220	94
East North Central .....	35,914	58,450	51,680	144	88
West North Central .....	8,580	20,770	18,937	221	91
South Atlantic .....	2,161	1,864	2,488	115	133
West South Central .....	1,222	2,721	2,288	187	84
Mountain .....	134	139	69	51	50
Pacific .....	63,117	85,175	75,267	119	88
Green beans, french style					
Middle Atlantic .....	2,173	4,079	3,791	174	93
East North Central .....	6,021	4,361	3,899	65	89
West North Central .....	578	263	175	30	67
South Atlantic .....	175	142	132	75	93
West South Central .....	194	190	173	89	91
Mountain .....	12	4	4	33	100
Pacific .....	6,616	5,292	4,778	72	90
Broccoli, spears					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,233	5,504	5,685	176	103
East North Central .....	7,121	4,439	4,565	64	103
West North Central .....	381	41	129	34	315
South Atlantic .....	1,758	781	772	44	99
West South Central .....	14,494	9,871	9,152	63	93
Mountain .....	58	2	2	3	100
Pacific .....	7,938	3,063	2,293	29	75
Broccoli, chopped and cut					
Middle Atlantic .....	4,456	3,896	3,674	82	94
East North Central .....	6,693	8,297	7,450	111	90
West North Central .....	323	588	551	171	94
South Atlantic .....	1,340	1,476	1,374	103	93
West South Central .....	17,006	12,193	10,802	64	89
Mountain .....	359	300	278	77	93
Pacific .....	18,314	19,794	17,542	96	89

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## Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons (continued)

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Brussels sprouts</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	1,227	1,312	1,206	98	92
East North Central .....	2,518	2,592	2,467	98	95
West North Central .....	84	9	193	230	2,144
South Atlantic .....	1,111	1,485	1,373	124	92
West South Central .....	523	899	926	177	103
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	5,284	7,237	6,124	116	85
<b>Carrots, diced</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	18,269	18,938	16,924	93	89
East North Central .....	40,162	59,265	54,847	137	93
West North Central .....	10,268	8,057	7,858	77	98
South Atlantic .....	888	417	436	49	105
West South Central .....	442	648	591	134	91
Mountain .....	52	16	14	27	88
Pacific .....	50,811	56,387	60,656	119	108
<b>Carrots, other</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	14,987	18,378	19,534	130	106
East North Central .....	28,761	32,534	29,976	104	92
West North Central .....	2,108	4,758	4,587	218	96
South Atlantic .....	1,848	1,332	1,232	67	92
West South Central .....	5,930	5,963	6,258	106	105
Mountain .....	158	240	171	108	71
Pacific .....	59,145	80,400	71,200	120	89
<b>Cauliflower</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	2,112	2,948	3,150	149	107
East North Central .....	4,490	3,884	3,943	88	102
West North Central .....	149	282	534	358	189
South Atlantic .....	912	845	781	86	92
West South Central .....	2,715	4,526	4,022	148	89
Mountain .....	12	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	10,040	12,498	11,042	110	88
<b>Corn, cut</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	14,704	33,557	31,422	214	94
East North Central .....	35,472	60,643	55,457	156	91
West North Central .....	36,798	35,734	33,573	91	94
South Atlantic .....	9,199	24,303	21,345	232	88
West South Central .....	1,601	2,189	1,970	123	90
Mountain .....	840	675	482	57	71
Pacific .....	236,188	253,487	227,593	96	90
<b>Corn, cob</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	5,913	2,350	2,314	39	98
East North Central .....	10,709	20,496	18,319	171	89
West North Central .....	23,416	36,505	28,249	121	77
South Atlantic .....	3,205	2,071	1,855	58	90
West South Central .....	2,185	3,365	3,300	151	98
Mountain .....	107	94	96	90	102
Pacific .....	127,577	137,791	119,842	94	87

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**Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Mixed vegetables					
Middle Atlantic .....	2,624	1,724	1,904	73	110
East North Central .....	7,745	9,014	8,679	112	96
West North Central .....	675	233	1,029	152	442
South Atlantic .....	1,562	2,458	1,366	87	56
West South Central .....	6,508	8,621	6,284	97	73
Mountain .....	4,368	2,258	2,373	54	105
Pacific .....	23,664	19,911	19,270	81	97
Okra					
Middle Atlantic .....	1,688	2,244	1,867	111	83
East North Central .....	1,014	507	473	47	93
West North Central .....	53	3	3	6	100
South Atlantic .....	3,566	2,049	1,409	40	69
West South Central .....	10,719	9,287	5,938	55	64
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	1,497	611	851	57	139
Onion rings					
Middle Atlantic .....	441	690	750	170	109
East North Central .....	1,590	518	807	51	156
West North Central .....	984	641	655	67	102
South Atlantic .....	2,434	3,971	3,708	152	93
West South Central .....	304	2,037	1,892	622	93
Mountain .....	1,025	2,166	2,408	235	111
Pacific .....	71	814	727	1,024	89
Onions, other					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,490	3,326	3,113	89	94
East North Central .....	3,751	4,709	3,873	103	82
West North Central .....	806	486	472	59	97
South Atlantic .....	3,122	3,001	2,720	87	91
West South Central .....	1,154	1,824	1,664	144	91
Mountain .....	31,190	10,105	9,996	32	99
Pacific .....	20,933	21,659	19,801	95	91
Blackeye peas					
Middle Atlantic .....	300	307	373	124	121
East North Central .....	68	90	92	135	102
West North Central .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Atlantic .....	151	447	840	556	188
West South Central .....	664	466	612	92	131
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	123	145	116	94	80
Green peas					
Middle Atlantic .....	10,613	12,985	11,602	109	89
East North Central .....	27,469	28,268	21,248	77	75
West North Central .....	12,015	19,990	13,079	109	65
South Atlantic .....	3,015	3,201	3,252	108	102
West South Central .....	4,052	2,801	2,554	63	91
Mountain .....	127	46	57	45	124
Pacific .....	86,109	98,392	82,144	95	83

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## Frozen Vegetables in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons (continued)

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Peas and carrots mixed</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	644	660	461	72	70
East North Central .....	991	748	599	60	80
West North Central .....	22	227	180	818	79
South Atlantic .....	303	202	213	70	105
West South Central .....	162	272	223	138	82
Mountain .....	2	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	3,242	5,430	4,870	150	90
<b>Spinach</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	9,264	10,836	11,065	119	102
East North Central .....	5,659	6,810	6,164	109	91
West North Central .....	900	759	885	98	117
South Atlantic .....	6,213	5,969	5,619	90	94
West South Central .....	14,720	15,218	15,566	106	102
Mountain .....	47	50	42	89	84
Pacific .....	20,098	12,331	14,324	71	116
<b>Squash, summer/zucchini</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	3,446	4,702	3,308	96	70
East North Central .....	17,765	18,517	17,028	96	92
West North Central .....	140	86	26	19	30
South Atlantic .....	2,139	4,141	3,146	147	76
West South Central .....	3,427	4,661	4,489	131	96
Mountain .....	954	69	65	7	94
Pacific .....	24,388	22,961	20,628	85	90
<b>Southern greens</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	1,285	807	781	61	97
East North Central .....	629	480	375	60	78
West North Central .....	9	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Atlantic .....	2,936	5,477	4,617	157	84
West South Central .....	11,362	8,137	9,215	81	113
Mountain .....	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pacific .....	671	298	485	72	163
<b>Other</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	34,383	38,740	40,310	117	104
East North Central .....	64,021	77,120	71,178	111	92
West North Central .....	19,412	18,810	17,687	91	94
South Atlantic .....	27,189	36,104	33,504	123	93
West South Central .....	43,448	37,822	36,187	83	96
Mountain .....	11,268	14,713	13,009	115	88
Pacific .....	119,924	129,600	127,391	106	98
<b>Total frozen vegetables</b>					
Middle Atlantic .....	152,242	207,844	201,427	132	97
East North Central .....	316,697	408,683	369,551	117	90
West North Central .....	120,545	153,660	134,140	111	87
South Atlantic .....	84,289	122,082	107,039	127	88
West South Central .....	144,480	135,900	125,900	87	93
Mountain .....	50,832	30,932	29,114	57	94
Pacific .....	900,027	987,246	899,800	100	91

- 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: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

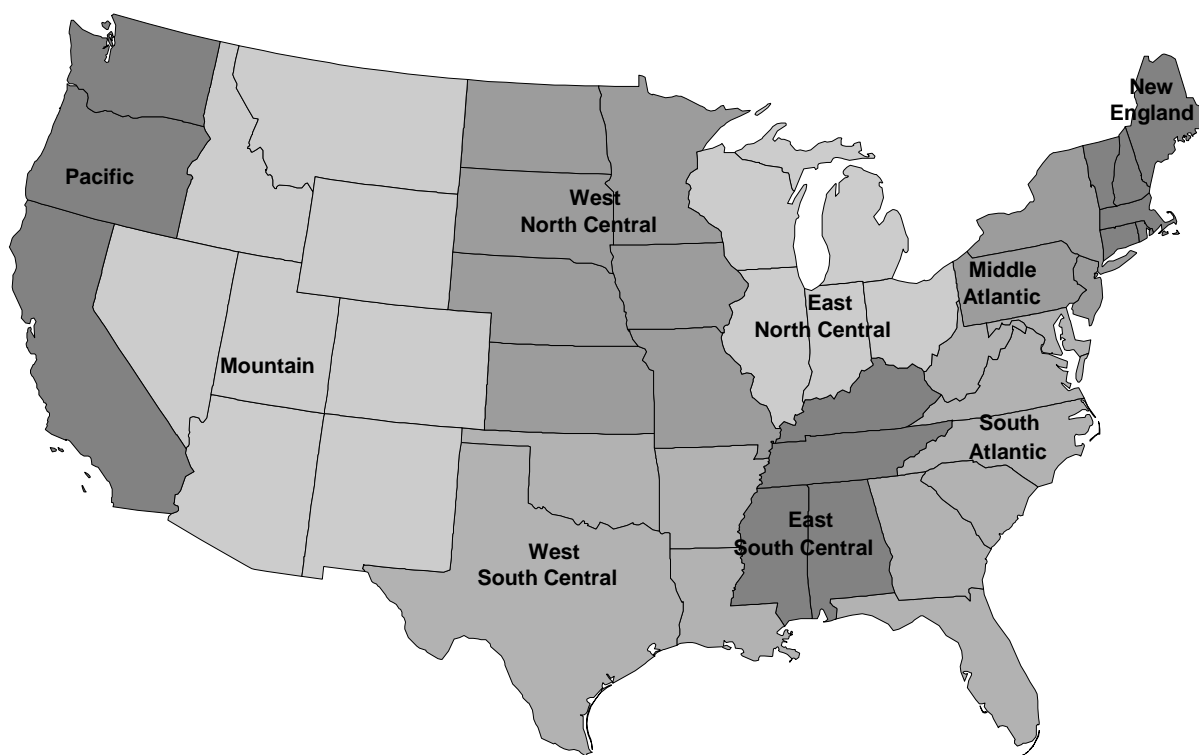
Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen potatoes</b>					
French fries					
New England .....	26,314	20,995	20,014	76	95
Middle Atlantic .....	42,948	36,799	37,528	87	102
East North Central .....	61,687	67,218	68,832	112	102
West North Central .....	103,685	107,048	102,846	99	96
South Atlantic .....	44,373	54,198	53,141	120	98
East South Central .....	1,821	1,406	1,444	79	103
West South Central .....	33,145	50,391	50,583	153	100
Mountain .....	204,835	205,718	206,152	101	100
Pacific .....	397,747	456,732	447,680	113	98
Other					
New England .....	4,226	5,218	5,197	123	100
Middle Atlantic .....	12,153	15,008	14,450	119	96
East North Central .....	17,610	17,861	18,763	107	105
West North Central .....	11,757	12,264	11,960	102	98
South Atlantic .....	19,160	22,146	22,347	117	101
East South Central .....	575	1,221	4,850	843	397
West South Central .....	31,800	28,926	28,103	88	97
Mountain .....	60,148	62,232	64,918	108	104
Pacific .....	55,024	67,350	63,574	116	94
Total frozen potatoes					
New England .....	30,540	26,213	25,211	83	96
Middle Atlantic .....	55,101	51,807	51,978	94	100
East North Central .....	79,297	85,079	87,595	110	103
West North Central .....	115,442	119,312	114,806	99	96
South Atlantic .....	63,533	76,344	75,488	119	99
East South Central .....	2,396	2,627	6,294	263	240
West South Central .....	64,945	79,317	78,686	121	99
Mountain .....	264,983	267,950	271,070	102	101
Pacific .....	452,771	524,082	511,254	113	98

## Frozen Red Meat in Cold Storage – Regions: March 31, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks in all warehouses			March 31, 2013 as a percent of	
	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	February 28, 2013
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Frozen red meat</b>					
<b>Beef</b>					
Boneless					
New England .....	295	410	285	97	70
Middle Atlantic .....	64,822	60,401	74,896	116	124
East North Central .....	56,029	69,214	67,046	120	97
West North Central .....	134,576	146,214	151,721	113	104
South Atlantic .....	16,651	19,280	16,383	98	85
East South Central .....	1,420	1,591	1,392	98	87
West South Central .....	67,032	51,844	54,900	82	106
Mountain .....	24,034	23,034	23,341	97	101
Pacific .....	69,701	61,273	69,430	100	113
Beef cuts					
New England .....	8	40	28	350	70
Middle Atlantic .....	10,514	10,782	10,751	102	100
East North Central .....	4,380	5,489	7,415	169	135
West North Central .....	25,954	23,558	15,664	60	66
South Atlantic .....	2,429	2,804	2,762	114	99
East South Central .....	171	176	131	77	74
West South Central .....	8,260	4,362	5,433	66	125
Mountain .....	6,523	1,109	938	14	85
Pacific .....	10,371	8,397	10,727	103	128
Total beef					
New England .....	303	450	313	103	70
Middle Atlantic .....	75,336	71,183	85,647	114	120
East North Central .....	60,409	74,703	74,461	123	100
West North Central .....	160,530	169,772	167,385	104	99
South Atlantic .....	19,080	22,084	19,145	100	87
East South Central .....	1,591	1,767	1,523	96	86
West South Central .....	75,292	56,206	60,333	80	107
Mountain .....	30,557	24,143	24,279	79	101
Pacific .....	80,072	69,670	80,157	100	115
<b>Other meat<sup>1</sup></b>					
Veal					
Middle Atlantic .....	1,156	1,728	1,797	155	104
East North Central .....	2,277	1,334	1,466	64	110
West South Central .....	672	515	1,193	178	232
Pacific .....	395	1,281	1,326	336	104
Lamb and mutton					
Middle Atlantic .....	12,262	8,381	8,284	68	99
East North Central .....	1,120	1,761	1,516	135	86
West South Central .....	652	531	1,000	153	188
Pacific .....	7,812	9,160	6,892	88	75
Total other meat					
Middle Atlantic .....	13,418	10,109	10,081	75	100
East North Central .....	3,397	3,095	2,982	88	96
West South Central .....	1,324	1,046	2,193	166	210
Pacific .....	8,207	10,441	8,218	100	79

<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 February 22, 2013:** The 2012 revisions of American and other natural cheese are the result of increased coverage of cold storage facilities. Please refer to the *Cold Storage 2012 Summary*, published February 22, 2013, for all 2012 cold storage commodity estimates.

**Published December 22, 2012:** Beginning with the February 22, 2013 release, estimates for shelled and in-shell peanuts are scheduled to be discontinued.

**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.

**Published February 20, 2009:** The 2008 revisions of boneless beef, total beef, pork hams, and total pork was the result of increased coverage of cold storage facilities as well as updated plant information. The 2008 revisions of shelled and in-shell pecans was the result of corrected data from cold storage facilities. Please refer to the *Cold Storage 2008 Summary*, released February 20, 2009, for all 2008 cold storage commodity estimates. Beginning with January 31, 2009 estimates, an increase in duck inventory was the result of increased coverage of cold storage facilities. Updated historic reported duck data for 2008 was unavailable. Year to year relationships for duck and the total poultry category were impacted by this change.

## 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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