



# Cold Storage

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## HIGHLIGHTS

**Frozen food stocks** in refrigerated warehouses on February 28, 2003, were greater than year earlier levels for poultry and red meat.

Butter stocks were 17 percent above January 2003 and 83 percent above a year ago.

**Total red meat supplies** in freezers were 3 percent below January 31, 2003 and 1 percent above February 2002. Frozen pork stocks were 1 percent above last month and 2 percent above last year. Stocks of pork bellies were 8 percent above last month but 34 percent below February 2002 stocks.

**Total frozen poultry supplies** on February 28, 2003 were up 1 percent from last month and slightly above last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were down 7 percent from last month and down 8 percent from last year's level. Total pounds of turkey in freezers increased 13 percent from last month and were 16 percent above last year.

**Public cooler occupancy** on February 28, 2003, was at 42 percent of capacity, up 1 point from last year. Public freezer occupancy, was at 52 percent, up 2 points from last year.

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity,  
United States, February 2003**

Commodity	Stocks in All Warehouses			Percent of		Public Warehouse Stocks
	Feb 28, 2002	Jan 31, 2003	Feb 28, 2003	Feb 2002	Jan 2003	Feb 28, 2003
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs</i>
Fresh Fruit						1,958
Apples						
Regular Storage						
Controlled Atmosphere						63
Total						
Pears				83	67	
Bartlett				102	85	
Other Varieties	324,764	401,890	270,234	100	83	
Total	2,632,823	3,175,041	2,694,314			
Total	2,957,587	3,576,931	2,964,548	8	95	192,939
Nuts						
Shelled	916	77	73	102	78	
Peanuts	187,141	246,145	191,218	102	78	
Pecans	188,057	246,222	191,291			
Other Shelled				57	108	42,302
Total	541,345	284,978	306,937	96	108	223,032
In-Shell	42,295	37,681	40,721	101	112	
Peanuts	135,704	122,161	137,391	67	109	
Pecans	719,344	444,820	485,049			
Other In-Shell				99	124	
Total	15,645	12,504	15,556	52	102	
Total	195,471	99,229	101,451	52	93	429,819
Dairy Products	14,185	7,872	7,311	55	104	
Butter, Total	225,301	119,605	124,318			
(Government Owned)				183	117	
Natural Cheese	130,124	202,660	238,016	60	208	
American, Total	1,200	349	725			
(Government Owned)				109	104	16,505
Swiss	491,147	512,192	534,030	49	131	
Other Natural Cheese	753	280	368	194	98	
Total	12,711	25,125	24,632	94	92	
Total	216,463	222,166	204,474	106	100	
Eggs, Frozen	720,321	759,483	763,136			
Whites				117	142	
Yolks	2,204	1,818	2,579	107	120	
Whole & Mixed	1,036	924	1,106	130	108	
Unclassified	7,282	8,778	9,503	116	103	
Total	3,381	3,820	3,924	123	112	
Frozen Poultry	13,903	15,340	17,112			
Chicken						
Broilers, Fryers						
Roasters (Whole)	26,981	25,963	24,861	92	96	
Hens, Mature Chickens	4,076	4,547	4,439	109	98	
Other	705,238	692,725	645,388	92	93	
Total Chicken	736,295	723,235	674,688	92	93	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Commodity	Stocks in All Warehouses			Percent of		Public Warehouse Stocks
	Feb 28, 2002	Jan 31, 2003	Feb 28, 2003	Feb 2002	Jan 2003	Feb 28, 2003

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, Region,**

Includes all boxed boneless beef, such as ground beef, roasts, steaks, loins, strips, rounds, trimmings, etc. Variety meats (edible offal), such as tongues, livers, hearts, kidneys, and other organs removed from slaughtered beef, are included as miscellaneous freezer stocks. <sup>3</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Includes all boxed primal beef cuts, bone-in.

<sup>5</sup> Includes full ham, bone removed and individual muscles separated.

<sup>6</sup> Includes pork tenderloins.

<sup>7</sup> Includes spareribs and backribs.

<sup>8</sup> 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 included in miscellaneous cooler or freezer stocks.

<sup>9</sup> Includes ears, tails, feet, neckbones and snouts.

<sup>10</sup> Includes tongues, kidneys, livers, stomachs, hearts, chitterlings, salivary glands, and other organs removed from slaughtered hogs.

<sup>10</sup> Includes product unable to be classified elsewhere in this report.

**and United States, January 31, 2003**

Commodity	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
Total Fresh Apples	19,546	364,216	119,788	152	144,579
Nuts					
Shelled					
Peanuts		17	20	17	159,921
Pecans <sup>1</sup>		69			13,741
In-Shell					
Pecans <sup>1</sup>					20,634
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese	19,157	57,436	207,898	120,179	367
American, Total	247	32,423	118,168	53,918	2,486
Other Natural Cheese					
Frozen Poultry					
Chicken	11	1,059	103	1,445	6,046
Broilers, Fryers	12	301	295	207	1,783
Roasters (Whole)	1,296	19,132	13,560	25,812	218,560
Hens, Mature Chickens	1,319	20,492	13,958	27,464	226,389
Other					
Total Chicken	1,160	4,035	1,431	36,652	30,160
Turkeys	537	11,637	22,933	65,692	135,795
Whole Turkeys	1,697	15,672	24,364	102,344	165,955
Other Turkey	3,016	392	4,650		25
Total Turkey		36,556	42,972	129,808	392,369
Ducks					
Total Poultry	63	12,513	25,262	128	915
	14,744	5,579	36,719	1,388	2,123
Frozen Fruit	7	4,198	32,558	807	597
Apples		328	3,278	634	46
Blueberries	28	2,581	6,330	2,170	503
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	157	937	1,172	117	124
Cherries, Sweet	106			576	
	21,618			2,158	

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, Region,**

Total Fresh Apples		4,563	14,484	2,909,603	3,576,931
Nuts					
Shelled					
Peanuts		98,779	95	933	284,978
Pecans <sup>1</sup>		22,918		138	37,681
In-Shell					
Pecans <sup>1</sup>		75,336			99,229
	25,196				
	815				
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese	3,259	1,428	11,635	93,554	512,192
American, Total		205	839	13,664	222,166
Other Natural Cheese					
Frozen Poultry	538				
Chicken	216				
Broilers, Fryers		10,905	348	2,495	25,963
Roasters (Whole)		424		1,069	4,547
Hens, Mature Chickens		240,566	2,052	47,176	692,725
Other		251,895	2,400	50,740	723,235
Turkeys	3,551				
Total Chicken	456	25,553	13,533	23,233	136,338
Whole Turkeys	124,571	31,898	10,204	6,839	286,732
Other Turkey	128,578	57,451	23,737	30,072	423,070
Total Turkey	581	309,393	26,161	80,896	1,151,527
Ducks	1,197				
Total Poultry	1,778				
Frozen Fruit	130,356	1,280	194	7,352	47,797
Apples		720	273	15,256	76,912
Blueberries	90	1,134	2,597	6,156	48,085
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	110	52	860	1,996	7,195
Cherries, Sweet	31	1,409	133	47,576	60,817
Peaches	1	711	2	39,256	42,535
Raspberries, Red	87	18,941	181	190,791	219,946
Strawberries, Total	59	14,943	6,265	107,164	384,409
Other Frozen Fruit	936				
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See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, Region,  
and United States, January 31, 2003 (continued)**

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**and United States, February 28, 2003**

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	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
Total Fresh Apples	14,899	297,349	104,569		135,832
Nuts					
Shelled					
Peanuts		2	21		175,154
Pecans <sup>1</sup>		62			15,001
In-Shell					
Pecans <sup>1</sup>				18	19,270
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese	21,737	58,459	220,076		104
American, Total	258	17,463	119,013		1,856
Other Natural Cheese					
Frozen Poultry				124,524	
Chicken				51,663	
Broilers, Fryers	12	933	128		5,819
Roasters (Whole)	1,539	268	284		1,821
Hens, Mature Chickens	1,551	17,955	14,188		198,959
Other		19,156	14,600	1,052	206,599
Total Chicken	1,181	4,808	2,058	105	40,032
Turkeys	767	11,150	22,111	23,671	136,800
Whole Turkeys	1,948	15,958	24,169	24,828	176,832
Other Turkey	2	441	4,512		30
Total Turkey	3,501	35,555	43,281	52,799	383,461
Ducks				74,731	
Total Poultry	61	14,564	31,554	127,530	1,042
Frozen Fruit				152,358	
Apples	13,784	4,530	30,699		1,642
Blueberries	6	3,570	26,029		589
Cherries, Tart (RTP)		316	2,884		46
Cherries, Sweet	24	2,489	5,551	174	508
Peaches	161	1,122	1,256	1,497	103
Raspberries, Red	54	4,160	3,921	767	909
Strawberries, Total	33,316	12,177	192,620	600	5,500
Other Frozen Fruit				1,989	
				81	
				620	
				2,498	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, Region,  
and United States, February 28, 2003 (continued)**

Commodity	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	US Total
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
Total Fresh Apples		4,259	7,003	2,400,637	2,964,548
Nuts					
Shelled					
Peanuts		101,760	91	926	306,937
Pecans <sup>1</sup>		24,566		135	40,721
In-Shell					
Pecans <sup>1</sup>	28,965	79,454			101,451
	957				
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese	2,727	1,668	11,185	95,844	534,030
American, Total		221	797	13,026	204,474
Other Natural Cheese					
	433				
Frozen Poultry	177				
Chicken					
Broilers, Fryers		10,948	370	2,727	24,861
Roasters (Whole)		601		923	4,439
Hens, Mature Chickens		224,224	1,965	45,632	645,388
Other	2,884	235,773	2,335	49,282	674,688
Total Chicken	425	34,232	9,812	31,199	176,777
Turkeys	117,255	30,755	10,620	14,073	302,085
Whole Turkeys	120,564	64,987	20,432	45,272	478,862
Other Turkey	656	47	24	79	5,135
Total Turkey	1,078	300,807	22,791	94,633	1,158,685
Ducks	1,734				
Total Poultry	122,298	1,399	220	7,650	56,768
Frozen Fruit					
Apples		740	287	12,523	65,813
Blueberries	104	1,172	844	5,750	38,770
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	111	45	961	1,909	6,762
Cherries, Sweet	43	1,393	158	39,975	52,144
Peaches	1	485	2	34,673	38,048
Raspberries, Red	57	19,435	182	172,165	202,338
Strawberries, Total	165	15,617	5,657	94,362	361,909
Other Frozen Fruit	892				
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