



# Cold Storage

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## Update Alert

After the November 21, 2008 *Cold Storage* report was released, updated reported data was received correcting a misclassification between frozen blueberries and tart cherries (RTP) inventory for October 31, 2008. As a result, this report was reissued on December 2, 2008 to reflect corrected frozen blueberry and tart cherry (RTP) inventory estimates. Tables on pages 2, 9 and 10 have been updated. All October 31, 2008 cold storage estimates are subject to revision in the December 22, 2008 *Cold Storage* release.

## Highlights

**Frozen food stocks** in refrigerated warehouses on October 31, 2008 were greater than year earlier levels for turkey, chicken, pork, and cheese.

**Butter stocks** were down 20 percent from last month and down 24 percent from a year ago.

**Total red meat supplies** in freezers were up 2 percent from the previous month and up slightly from last year. Frozen pork supplies were up 1 percent from the previous month and up 4 percent from last year. Stocks of pork bellies were up 7 percent from last month and up 12 percent from last year.

**Total frozen poultry supplies** on October 31, 2008 were down 2 percent from the previous month but up 22 percent from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 3 percent from the previous month and up 13 percent from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were down 8 percent from last month but up 37 percent from October 31, 2007.

## Special Note

Data users of frozen poultry need to be aware of the following situation:

A change in classification of reported data beginning with September 30, 2008 in the Other Chicken category has resulted in an increase of Breasts & Breast Meat, Drumsticks, Leg Quarters and Wings along with a

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, Region,  
and United States, September 30, 2008, Revised**

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		265,543	12,420	1	18,059
Nuts <sup>1</sup>					
Shelled					
Peanuts					124,637
Pecans					11,500
In-Shell					
Pecans					9,537
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese					
American, Total					4,013
Other Natural Cheese					328
Frozen Poultry	35,921	41,262	234,028	95,089	
Chicken <sup>2</sup>	244	14,859	182,994	25,971	
Broilers, Fryers					
Roasters (Whole)					
Hens, Mature Chickens					
Breasts & Breast Meat					15,083
Drumsticks					4,462
Leg Quarters					27,225
Legs					9,604
Thigh & Thigh Quarters					55,512
Thigh Meat					1,697
Wings					
Paws and Feet					3,923
Other					8,554
Total Chicken					17,576
Turkeys					13,062
Whole Turkeys					147,929
Other Turkey					304,627
Total Turkey					
Ducks					32,238
Frozen Fruit					108,361
Apples					140,599
Blueberries	12,992	39,824	48,318	54,408	
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	926	7,027	26,231	89,709	
Cherries, Sweet	13,918	46,851	74,549	144,117	219
Peaches		107	1,119	46	6,753
Raspberries, Red					44
Strawberries, Total					25
Other Frozen Fruit					214
	4	14,461	34,291	197	46
	20,011	14,116	87,082	188	1,704
	11	6,514	100,749	64	3,275
	49	383	16,570	82	
		1,705	18,068	163	
		1,582	1,864		

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

Total Fresh Apples			100	2,898,367	3,194,490
Nuts <sup>1</sup>					
Shelled					
Peanuts					180,968
Pecans	11,171	45,160			46,515
In-Shell	1,700	33,315			
Pecans					79,055
	1,065	68,453			
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese					
American, Total					549,635
Other Natural Cheese	1,738	7,669			
	2,743	540	37,525	92,390	260,413
Frozen Poultry			6,666	26,068	
Chicken <sup>2</sup>					
Broilers, Fryers					
Roasters (Whole)					
Hens, Mature Chickens					
Breasts & Breast Meat					25,678
Drumsticks	4,061	4,543			
Leg Quarters	265	1,840		1,991	6,963
Legs	21,814	63,346		396	125,209
Thigh & Thigh	5,061	6,503		12,824	22,141
Quarters	24,591	31,018		973	113,050
Thigh Meat	119	2,384		1,929	4,242
Wings				42	
Paws and Feet	1,556	2,653			9,556
Other	2,402	3,612		1,424	15,932
Total Chicken	5,656	15,483		1,364	39,041
Turkeys	5,211	5,505		326	23,892
Whole Turkeys	103,069	106,368		114	373,617
Other Turkey	173,805	243,255		16,251	759,321
Total Turkey				37,634	
Ducks	13,673	66,902		44,410	334,449
	7,738	34,193		7,487	287,026
Frozen Fruit	21,411	101,095		51,897	621,475
Apples	5	32		195	1,571
Blueberries			21,684		
Cherries, Tart (RTP)			5,354		
Cherries, Sweet	13	573	27,038		59,204
Peaches	129	372	34	9,429	182,478
Raspberries, Red		77		53,735	120,386
Strawberries, Total		77		3,843	20,005
Other Frozen Fruit	2	102		2,792	87,006
	4	935	17	65,893	49,094
	50	44	92	45,058	329,502
	1,237	28,156	9,084	280,605	219,247
	65	13,117		86,439	
			24		
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See footnote(s) at end of table.

--continued and United States, September 30, 2008, Revised

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

Total Fresh Apples	33,187	791,280	348,462	9,379	287,820
Nuts <sup>1</sup>					
Shelled					
Peanuts					146,932
Pecans					14,389
In-Shell					
Pecans					3,514
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese					
American, Total					
Other Natural Cheese					3,986
	35,394	41,107	223,306	95,386	301
Frozen Poultry	290	14,873	177,483	29,940	
Chicken <sup>2</sup>					
Broilers, Fryers					
Roasters (Whole)					
Hens, Mature Chickens					
Breasts & Breast Meat					13,741
Drumsticks					4,414
Leg Quarters					29,985
Legs					8,431
Thigh & Thigh					56,586
Quarters					2,485
Thigh Meat					
Wings					4,379
Paws and Feet					7,245
Other					17,845
Total Chicken					12,253
Turkeys					136,083
Whole Turkeys					293,447
Other Turkey					
Total Turkey					
Ducks					27,146
					97,714
					124,860
Frozen Fruit					28
Apples					
Blueberries	10,982	43,746	42,275	55,784	
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	982	6,527	24,757	83,635	
Cherries, Sweet	11,964	50,273	67,032	139,419	235
Peaches		122	1,343	48	6,970
Raspberries, Red					51
Strawberries, Total					22
Other Frozen Fruit					184
	14	13,124	31,577	123	51
	18,914	12,943	82,363	178	1,393
	8	6,196	93,086	72	9,034
	36	360	15,764	87	
	35	1,961	18,124	264	
	7	1,970	3,108	520	
	20	5,374	9,870	1,022	
	30,579	15,058	308,088	7,767	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

--continued and United States, October 31, 2008 (continued)

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

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	61		68,808	4,889,678	6,428,675
Nuts <sup>1</sup>					
Shelled					
Peanuts	18,356	48,763			214,051
Pecans	1,373	32,187			47,949
In-Shell					
Pecans	311	40,113			43,938
Dairy Products					
Natural Cheese					
American, Total					
Other Natural Cheese	1,626	5,225	42,920	91,443	540,393
	2,917	892	6,959	27,612	261,267
Frozen Poultry					
Chicken <sup>2</sup>					
Broilers, Fryers					
Roasters (Whole)					
Hens, Mature Chickens					
Breasts & Breast Meat	3,371	4,198			23,770
Drumsticks	169	970		2,460	5,614
Leg Quarters	24,023	69,948		61	139,859
Legs	5,281	6,565		15,903	20,987
Thigh & Thigh	29,655	30,194		710	118,152
Quarters	72	3,469		1,717	7,064
Thigh Meat				1,038	
Wings	1,715	4,549			11,953
Paws and Feet	2,964	4,246		1,310	16,117
Other	5,557	17,204		1,662	41,948
Total Chicken	4,794	4,643		1,342	21,906
Turkeys	105,191	116,851		216	377,186
Whole Turkeys	182,792	262,837		19,061	784,556
Other Turkey				45,480	
Total Turkey					
Ducks	11,561	56,836			308,026
	6,376	29,299		38,786	263,193
Frozen Fruit	17,937	86,135		8,082	571,219
Apples	5	36		46,868	1,782
Blueberries			20,910	162	
Cherries, Tart (RTP)			5,821		
Cherries, Sweet	9	449	26,731		56,954
Peaches	136	499	38	11,409	175,312
Raspberries, Red		61		53,211	113,823
Strawberries, Total	1	3		3,106	18,757
Other Frozen Fruit	4	921	14	2,484	87,129
	46	44	98	65,542	45,791
	937	21,238	11,243	40,013	295,323
	74	15,103		255,346	514,922
				129,080	
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