

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Office of Markets and Rural Organization,
Washington, D. C. May 9, 1917.

REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF APPLES, MAY 1, 1917.

Reports from 462 storages show that their rooms contain 489,325 barrels and 723,219 boxes of apples on May 1, 1917. The information received indicates that there were 33.1 per cent less apples in storage than on May 1, 1916, while the amount held May 1, 1916 was 92.3 per cent more than on April 1, 1915. The barreled apple holdings of May 1, 1917 show a decrease of 41.4 per cent from those of May 1, 1916, while the boxed apple holdings show a decrease of 5.2 per cent from those of May 1, 1916. On May 1, 1916, there were 127.7 per cent more barrels and 31.1 per cent less boxes in storage than on May 1, 1915. A summary of this report was released by wire on May 3. As a number of firms have not responded to our inquiries, this report does not include all holdings. Upon request any or all of the information contained in these reports will be telegraphed, charges collect, immediately upon release each month, from October to June.

	No. of Firms Reporting	Barrels	Boxes	Combined Holdings in Barrels*	Comparison on percentage basis
Holdings Reported on May 1, 1917	462	489,325	723,219	730,398	
Comparison of Holdings on December 1, 1916 and May 1, 1917	421	2,663,141	3,409,886	3,799,770	100.0
	421	434,178	693,498	665,344	17.5
Comparison of Holdings on December 1, 1915 and May 1, 1916	437	4,792,355	3,900,335	6,092,967	100.0
	437	765,649	712,709	1,335,219	16.5
Comparison of Holdings on May 1, 1916 and May 1, 1917	367	798,704	708,663	1,334,925	100.0
	367	467,983	671,946	691,965	65.9

*Three Boxes to the Barrel.

COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS BY SECTIONS.

SECTION	No. of Storages Reporting	December 1, 1916		May 1, 1917		Per cent of Dec. 1 Holdings in Storage May 1.
		Barrels	Boxes	Barrels	Boxes	
New England	13	114,748	116,783	18,407	10,778	14.3
North Atlantic	83	1,021,262	526,063	184,610	194,985	20.9
South Atlantic	46	346,759	36,695	33,518	26,655	11.8
North Central (E)	88	656,829	361,152	133,527	117,156	22.2
North Central (W)	82	384,324	620,206	51,580	119,959	15.5
South Central	52	139,207	225,200	12,635	80,491	18.4
Western (N)	22	0	522,330	0	52,032	10.0
Western (S)	35	12	1,001,457	0	91,442	9.1
TOTAL	421	2,663,141	3,409,886	434,178	693,498	17.5

PERCENTAGE OF DECEMBER 1 HOLDINGS MOVED FROM STORAGE

MONTH	SEASON 1914-15			SEASON 1915-16			SEASON 1916-17		
	Barrels	Boxes	Combined	Barrels	Boxes	Combined	Barrels	Boxes	Combined
Dec.	12.1	5.7	10.7	12.2	11.5	12.0	15.1	8.1	10.4
Jan.	19.2	11.3	17.1	14.2	16.5	14.7	18.6	8.3	15.3
Feb.	21.1	24.3	21.9	19.9	20.9	20.1	18.6	30.9	22.4
Mar.	23.5	25.7	24.1	20.4	18.1	20.0	19.4	28.1	22.2
Apr.	14.5	15.6	14.8	17.3	14.6	16.7	12.0	12.3	12.2
May	8.4	11.0	9.1	12.2	11.5	11.9			

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REPORT OF COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF CREAMERY BUTTER, MAY 1, 1917.

Reports from 281 cold storages show that their rooms contain 2,586,593 pounds of CREAMERY BUTTER while on April 1, 300 storages reported 6,296,854 pounds. The 211 storages that reported holdings on May 1 of this year and last show a present stock of 2,433,144 pounds as compared with 1,081,913 pounds last year, an increase of 1,351,231 pounds or 124.9 per cent. The reports show that during April the April 1 holdings decreased 57.8 per cent, while our last report showed that during March the March 1 holdings decreased 60.4 per cent. Last year the decrease during April was 68.6 per cent, and in March 78.7 per cent. A summary of this report was released by wire on May 8. As a number of firms have not responded to our inquiries, this report does not include all holdings. Upon request any or all of the information contained in the cold storage reports will be telegraphed immediately upon its release. These reports are free, except for the telegrams, which are sent charges collect:

SECTION	Total Holdings May 1, 1917.		COMPARISON OF HOLDINGS			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	No. of Firms Reporting	May 1, 1916 Pounds	May 1, 1917 Pounds	Percentage increase or decrease
New England	18	771,816	13	304,121	723,116	+ 137.8
North Atlantic	52	672,261	33	319,946	647,178	+ 102.3
South Atlantic	22	77,724	10	40,145	62,724	+ 56.2
N. Central (E)	50	631,284	35	257,593	606,174	+ 135.3
N. Central (W)	49	172,856	46	49,887	141,320	+ 183.3
S. Central	33	132,743	29	32,140	131,906	+ 310.4
Western (W)	25	8,389	16	15,638	1,476	- 90.6
Western (S)	32	119,520	29	62,443	119,250	+ 91.0
TOTAL	281	2,586,593	211	1,081,913	2,433,144	+ 124.9

	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	Comparison on percent- age basis	Pounds less in Storage
Comparison of Holdings on April 1, 1917 and May 1, 1917	252 252	6,046,958 2,553,912	100.0 42.2	3,493,046
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1917 and April 1, 1917	265 265	15,679,464 6,208,763	100.0 39.6	9,470,701
Comparison of Holdings on April 1, 1916 and May 1, 1916	177 177	3,247,856 1,018,762	100.0 31.4	2,229,094
Comparison of Holdings on March 1, 1916 and April 1, 1916	199 199	15,344,913 14,935,775	100.0 21.3	12,072,571

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REPORT OF STOCKS OF FROZEN POULTRY, MAY 1, 1917.

In addition to the reports on the storage holdings of apples, butter, eggs, cheese and frozen and cured meats, which this Office has been issuing, the quantities of five classes of FROZEN POULTRY will be reported monthly, hereafter. A summary of this report was released by wire on May 9. Copies will be mailed regularly each month to all cold storage firms and packing houses cooperating with us in this work. Any other persons or firms desiring these reports should make application to this Office.

Upon request, any or all of the information contained in these statements will be telegraphed immediately upon its release. The reports are free except for the cost of the telegrams which are sent charges collect.

The holdings of firms not segregating their figures into the different classes provided have been placed in the miscellaneous poultry group.

BROILERS.

The total stocks of BROILERS reported by 112 firms on May 1, 1917 amounted to 3,335,617 pounds.

The reports of 80 firms show stocks of 1,952,612 pounds on May 1, 1917 as compared with 522,860 pounds on May 1, 1916, an increase of 273.4 per cent.

ROASTERS.

The total stocks of ROASTERS reported by 122 firms on May 1, 1917 amounted to 6,356,370 pounds.

The reports of 84 firms show stocks of 3,244,907 pounds on May 1, 1917 as compared with 1,063,832 pounds on May 1, 1916, an increase of 205.0 per cent.

FOWLS.

The total stocks of FOWLS reported by 123 firms on May 1, 1917 amounted to 6,341,474 pounds.

The reports of 80 firms show stocks of 5,335,503 pounds on May 1, 1917 as compared with 1,615,069 pounds on May 1, 1916, an increase of 230.4 per cent.

TURKEYS.

The total stocks of TURKEYS reported by 127 firms on May 1, 1917 amounted to 3,013,062 pounds.

The reports of 82 firms show stocks of 1,429,963 pounds on May 1, 1917 as compared with 168,954 pounds on May 1, 1916, an increase of 746.3 per cent.

MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY.

The total stocks of MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY reported by 164 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 45,340,626 pounds.

The reports of 108 firms show stocks of 35,532,540 pounds on May 1, 1917 as compared with 14,476,704 pounds on May 1, 1916, an increase of 145.4 per cent.

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STOCKS OF FROZEN POULTRY ON MAY 1, 1917, WITH COMPARISONS
OF THE STOCKS OF MAY 1, 1916 AND MAY 1, 1917, BY SECTIONS

BROILERS

	Total stocks May 1, 1917		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	No. of Firms Reporting	May 1, 1916 Pounds	May 1, 1917 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
New England	8	408,185	4	7,095	3,979	- 43.9
M. Atlantic	24	274,836	18	41,591	129,345	+ 211.0
S. Atlantic	1	1,900	0	0	0	
N. Central (E)	22	1,160,914	15	302,535	536,507	+ 77.3
N. Central (W)	31	904,211	21	108,352	717,708	+ 562.4
S. Central	11	446,511	7	56,999	426,013	+ 647.4
Western (N)	5	23,288	5	0	23,288	
Western (S)	10	115,772	10	6,288	115,772	+ 1741.2
TOTAL	112	3,335,617	80	522,860	1,952,612	+ 273.4

ROASTERS

New England	12	206,129	6	49,623	52,866	+ 6.5
M. Atlantic	27	1,035,737	20	254,826	567,376	+ 122.7
S. Atlantic	6	7,614	4	0	5,314	
N. Central (E)	22	3,059,184	14	68,602	1,106,291	+ 1512.6
N. Central (W)	31	1,713,141	20	653,271	1,198,075	+ 83.4
S. Central	11	188,492	7	24,760	168,912	+ 582.2
Western (N)	5	39,846	5	0	39,846	
Western (S)	8	106,227	8	12,750	106,227	+ 733.2
TOTAL	122	6,356,370	84	1,063,832	3,244,907	+ 205.0

FOWLS

New England	14	279,245	7	75,782	107,542	+ 41.9
M. Atlantic	27	4,171,929	19	1,213,844	3,824,181	+ 215.0
S. Atlantic	2	5,400	0	0	0	
N. Central (E)	20	836,370	13	69,444	521,086	+ 650.4
N. Central (W)	31	452,957	17	168,815	328,919	+ 94.8
S. Central	13	403,711	8	60,193	361,913	+ 501.3
Western (N)	6	47,035	6	0	47,035	
Western (S)	10	144,827	10	26,991	144,827	+ 436.6
TOTAL	123	6,341,474	80	1,615,069	5,335,503	+ 230.4

TURKEYS

New England	12	720,047	6	17,355	83,451	+ 380.8
M. Atlantic	28	337,229	17	38,220	120,271	+ 214.7
S. Atlantic	6	2,849	4	0	1,199	
N. Central (E)	22	842,926	14	9,023	524,732	+ 481.5
N. Central (W)	29	416,901	17	36,898	87,828	+ 138.0
S. Central	15	320,407	10	42,722	240,167	+ 462.1
Western (N)	6	70,972	6	181	70,972	+ 3821.1
Western (S)	9	301,731	8	24,585	301,343	+ 1125.7
TOTAL	127	3,013,062	82	168,984	1,429,963	+ 746.2

MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

New England	15	9,011,003	10	1,336,709	2,271,128	+ 69.9
M. Atlantic	39	11,465,448	27	3,502,207	10,370,314	+ 196.1
S. Atlantic	4	278,447	0	0	0	
N. Central (E)	36	19,829,237	26	7,995,737	19,043,500	+ 138.2
N. Central (W)	41	3,340,341	23	703,477	2,453,497	+ 248.8
S. Central	12	41,419	6	3,627	24,014	+ 562.1
Western (N)	3	9,010	3	75	9,010	+ 11913.3
Western (S)	14	1,365,721	13	934,872	1,361,077	+ 45.6
TOTAL	164	45,340,626	108	14,476,704	35,532,340	+ 145.4

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REPORT OF STOCKS OF FROZEN AND CURED MEATS, May 1, 1917.

FROZEN BEEF

The total stocks of FROZEN BEEF reported by 265 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 98,826,285 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 271 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 141,359,558 pounds. The reports of 174 firms show stocks of 88,177,799 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 90,175,385 pounds on May 1, 1916, a decrease of 2.2 per cent. The reports of 230 firms show that the stocks decreased 23.3 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 156 firms show stocks decreased 10.4 per cent in April, 1916.

CURED BEEF

The total stocks of CURED BEEF reported by 280 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 35,573,221 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 295 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 31,875,685 pounds. The reports of 240 firms show stocks of 27,387,425 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 21,869,191 pounds on May 1, 1916, an increase of 25.2 per cent. The reports of 267 firms show that the stocks decreased 7.7 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 213 firms show stocks decreased 11.4 per cent in April, 1916.

FROZEN PORK

The total stocks of FROZEN PORK reported by 249 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 63,533,753 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 247 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 62,936,420 pounds. The reports of 183 firms show stocks of 53,998,583 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 77,811,788 pounds on May 1, 1916, a decrease of 30.6 per cent. The reports of 218 firms show that the stocks increased 10.3 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 162 firms show stocks decreased 0.7 per cent in April, 1916.

DRY SALT PORK

The total stocks of DRY SALT PORK reported by 350 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 204,479,251 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 357 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 221,265,372 pounds. The reports of 264 firms show stocks of 193,247,660 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 202,391,975 pounds on May 1, 1916, a decrease of 4.5 per cent. The reports of 315 firms show that the stocks decreased 10.5 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 238 firms show stocks decreased 7.1 per cent in April, 1916.

SWEET PICKLED PORK

The total stocks of SWEET PICKLED PORK reported by 413 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 339,437,381 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 447 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 336,013,659 pounds. The reports of 312 firms show stocks of 315,927,084 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 337,464,295 pounds on May 1, 1916, a decrease of 6.4 per cent. The reports of 394 firms show that the stocks increased 0.7 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 288 firms show stocks decreased 5.8 per cent in April, 1916.

LARD

The total stocks of LARD reported by 375 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 109,355,496 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 400 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 61,875,226 pounds. The reports of 286 firms show stocks of 51,565,234 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 108,731,351 pounds on May 1, 1916, a decrease of 52.6 per cent. The reports of 355 firms show that the stocks increased 80.8 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 264 firms show stocks increased 12.4 per cent in April, 1916.

FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON

The total stocks of FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON reported by 147 firms on May 1, 1917, amounted to 4,337,455 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 149 firms on April 1, 1917, amounted to 4,950,794 pounds. The reports of 104 firms show stocks of 3,331,610 pounds on May 1, 1917, as compared with 3,857,796 pounds on May 1, 1916, a decrease of 13.6 per cent. The reports of 134 firms show that the stocks decreased 9.1 per cent in April, 1917, while the reports of 101 firms show stocks decreased 23.7 per cent in April, 1916.

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STOCKS OF FROZEN AND CURED MEATS ON MAY 1, 1917, WITH COMPARISONS OF THE STOCKS OF MAY 1, 1916, AND MAY 1, 1917, BY SECTIONS.

FROZEN BEEF

SECTION	Total Stocks May 1, 1917		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds	No. of Firms Reporting	May 1, 1916 Pounds	May 1, 1917 Pounds	Percentage increase or decrease
New England	23	5,957,832	13	1,333,536	3,356,836	+ 25.1
M. Atlantic	50	17,536,992	39	27,138,456	15,732,756	- 42.1
S. Atlantic	22	291,289	7	29,871	61,802	+ 73.7
N. Central (E)	54	51,923,685	37	42,331,572	48,416,468	+ 13.6
N. Central (W)	46	17,449,483	38	15,003,571	16,889,787	+ 12.5
S. Central	22	2,331,673	12	1,735,345	2,706,382	+ 56.0
Western (N)	11	1,123,233	8	390,309	520,947	+ 33.3
Western (S)	24	1,391,892	20	1,329,225	1,496,241	+ 12.6
TOTAL	265	98,825,285	174	90,175,385	88,177,799	- 2.2

CURED BEEF

New England	26	979,191	18	918,453	875,998	- 4.6
M. Atlantic	69	11,298,236	49	2,956,724	3,334,927	+ 29.7
S. Atlantic	18	249,185	15	248,710	223,185	- 10.3
N. Central (E)	77	14,721,839	68	12,169,681	14,336,468	+ 17.8
N. Central (W)	51	7,161,479	51	4,741,455	6,967,749	+ 47.0
S. Central	13	820,294	13	453,317	814,294	+ 79.6
Western (N)	14	43,425	15	100,474	39,255	- 60.9
Western (S)	12	299,519	11	280,317	295,519	+ 5.4
TOTAL	280	35,573,221	240	21,869,191	27,387,425	+ 25.2

FROZEN PORK

New England	23	6,954,047	14	4,270,652	5,788,323	+ 35.5
M. Atlantic	54	8,029,976	38	3,937,523	5,925,922	+ 50.5
S. Atlantic	16	193,912	6	6,835	62,107	+ 808.7
N. Central (E)	55	17,017,441	44	28,387,027	15,392,791	- 44.7
N. Central (W)	47	22,459,156	40	30,197,283	19,564,698	- 35.2
S. Central	18	3,294,700	11	5,256,959	2,502,847	- 52.4
Western (N)	13	2,176,037	11	4,198,725	1,945,317	- 53.7
Western (S)	23	3,408,454	19	1,556,779	2,516,578	+ 61.7
TOTAL	249	63,533,753	183	77,811,763	53,298,383	- 30.5

DRY SALT PORK

New England	21	10,595,360	12	7,393,800	6,501,700	- 12.1
M. Atlantic	52	10,094,798	36	4,746,040	7,378,369	+ 55.5
S. Atlantic	33	3,017,931	22	3,314,711	2,922,708	- 11.8
N. Central (E)	97	88,595,223	78	96,404,697	86,357,032	- 10.2
N. Central (W)	74	79,553,128	63	75,567,350	78,739,431	+ 4.2
S. Central	31	10,226,815	21	11,300,003	8,370,474	- 21.5
Western (N)	19	443,022	15	942,384	290,463	- 69.2
Western (S)	23	1,952,974	17	2,722,980	1,087,483	- 30.7
TOTAL	350	204,479,251	264	202,391,275	193,247,660	- 4.5

SWEET PICKLED PORK

New England	33	26,807,041	18	20,891,926	22,420,144	+ 7.3
M. Atlantic	87	26,109,898	63	20,513,395	21,087,898	+ 2.8
S. Atlantic	26	5,930,805	18	5,591,559	5,079,455	- 9.2
N. Central (E)	113	118,522,427	93	130,793,977	112,204,040	- 14.2
N. Central (W)	75	129,813,328	62	127,585,540	125,813,148	- 1.4
S. Central	25	17,157,498	20	16,126,634	16,338,298	+ 3.2
Western (N)	23	4,376,630	17	7,174,321	2,993,768	- 58.2
Western (S)	26	10,639,724	21	8,787,143	9,683,333	+ 10.2
TOTAL	413	339,437,381	312	337,464,295	315,927,084	- 6.4

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STOCKS OF FROZEN AND CURED MEATS ON MAY 1, 1917, WITH COMPARISONS OF THE STOCKS OF MAY 1, 1916, AND MAY 1, 1917, BY SECTIONS (Cont'd).

LARD

SECTION	Total Stocks May 1, 1917.		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Firms reporting	Pounds	No. of Firms Reporting	May 1, 1916 Pounds	May 1, 1917 Pounds	Increase or decrease (Per cent)
New England	25	5,385,870.	13	7,237,179	5,368,545	- 25.8
N. Atlantic	77	3,876,732	57	3,880,675	3,130,045	- 19.3
S. Atlantic	22	1,339,447	17	1,112,796	1,104,782	- 0.7
N. Central (E)	113	22,441,102	87	73,888,655	20,997,247	- 71.6
N. Central (W)	68	16,582,923	57	14,793,015	15,166,001	+ 2.5
S. Central	25	2,548,832	19	2,206,008	2,113,474	- 4.2
Western (N)	21	1,693,202	16	3,000,830	1,302,692	- 56.6
Western (S)	24	2,389,693	20	2,612,193	2,382,448	- 8.8
TOTAL	375	109,355,496	286	108,731,351	51,565,234	- 52.5

FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON

New England	11	807,184	5	253,542	251,872	- 0.7
N. Atlantic	39	1,466,255	27	2,710,473	1,283,986	- 52.6
S. Atlantic	4	0	1	0	0	----
N. Central (E)	31	776,652	22	669,429	654,424	- 2.2
N. Central (W)	28	1,029,443	23	69,017	983,643	+1325.2
S. Central	11	39,774	9	36,614	39,774	+ 8.6
Western (N)	9	166,020	6	80,362	67,421	+ 16.1
Western (S)	14	52,127	11	38,359	50,490	+ 31.6
TOTAL	147	4,337,455	104	3,857,796	3,331,610	- 13.6

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF APRIL 1, 1917, WITH THOSE OF MAY 1, 1917.

PRODUCT	No. of Firms Reporting	April 1, 1917 Pounds	May 1, 1917, Pounds	Increase or decrease (Per cent)
FROZEN BEEF	230	121,081,394	92,879,934	- 23.3
CURED BEEF	267	29,843,367	27,552,606	- 7.7
FROZEN PORK	218	54,732,728	60,392,987	+ 10.3
DRY SALT PORK	315	215,792,160	193,164,545	+ 10.5
SWEET PICKLED PORK	394	322,993,115	325,396,220	+ 0.7
LARD	355	59,600,542	107,783,559	+ 80.5
FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON	134	4,729,732	4,298,097	- 9.1

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF APRIL 1, 1916, WITH THOSE OF MAY 1, 1916.

PRODUCT	No. of Firms Reporting	April 1, 1916 Pounds	May 1, 1916 Pounds	Increase or decrease (Per cent)
FROZEN BEEF	156	96,459,226	86,447,861	- 10.4
CURED BEEF	213	22,558,819	20,260,658	- 11.4
FROZEN PORK	162	76,166,672	75,618,840	- 0.7
DRY SALT PORK	238	202,572,412	186,539,647	- 7.1
SWEET PICKLED PORK	268	344,929,063	324,843,455	- 5.3
FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON	101	5,043,350	3,847,796	- 23.7
LARD	264	94,647,719	106,363,202	+ 12.4

NEW ENGLAND: Me., N.H., Vt., Mass., R.I., Conn. MIDDLE ATLANTIC: N.Y., N.J., Pa. SOUTH ATLANTIC: Del., Md., D.C., Va., W.Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Fla. NORTH CENTRAL: (East of Miss. River) Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis. (West of Miss. River) Minn., Iowa, Mo., N.D., S.D., Wbr., Kans. SOUTH CENTRAL: Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., La., Tex., Okla., Ark. WESTERN: (North) Mont., Wyo., Idaho, Wash., Ore. (South) Colo., N. Mex., Ariz., Utah, Nev., Cal.

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