

In-Shell Pecan Cold Storage Updates

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On Tuesday, September 19, 2006, the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) was contacted by a member of the Pecan industry regarding in-shell pecans in the *Cold Storage* report. It was discovered that some of the inventory of in-shell pecans were being double counted. The September 21, 2006 *Cold Storage* report reflected corrections to the in-shell pecan inventories as a result of new information.

This incident prompted NASS to validate other cold storage facilities to determine if there were any other occurrences of double counting. On September 29, 2006, NASS completed the necessary contacts and verified that double counting of in-shell pecans was not occurring outside the reported incident. However, in the process of validation, NASS discovered a cold storage facility that was not previously reporting their in-shell pecan inventory on the *Cold Storage* report.

The following table contains revisions to the 2006 in-shell pecan inventories based on information from the reported incident, as well as the addition of previously unreported inventories. The unreported inventory data was not available prior to the September 21, 2006 *Cold Storage* release. Therefore, the July and August 2006 inventory levels are revised from the original release of the September *Cold Storage* report. There will be no further revisions to 2005 in-shell pecan inventories. Estimates for 2006 are subject to revision during the normal *Annual Summary* report released in February of the following year. Minimal revisions are expected due to the publication of revisions at this time.

2006 In-Shell Pecans in Cold Storage

	United States			West South Central Region ¹		
Month	Previous	Revision	Percent Change	Previous	Revision	Percent Change
	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Percent	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Percent
Jan	201,086	199,611	99	169,113	167,638	99
Feb	208,808	207,616	99	178,394	177,202	99
Mar	186,180	184,109	99	160,707	158,636	99
Apr	167,319	164,427	98	144,131	141,239	98
May	143,214	140,838	98	123,208	120,832	98
Jun	127,754	125,796	98	109,767	107,809	98
Jul	89,814	98,814	110	73,707	82,707	112
Aug	61,998	70,298	113	50,322	58,621	116

¹ Mountain and West North Central regions combined with West South Central.

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