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June 1 Fresh Apple Holdings at 24.4 Million Bushels

Movement Exceeds 2008 Levels by 21 Percent and 5-Year Average by 19 Percent.

Vienna, VA – U.S. holdings of fresh-market apples were at 24.4 million bushels on June 1, down from 35.5 million reported on May 1, according to the U.S. Apple Association (USApple) in a report released today. The fresh market holdings reflect a 53 percent increase over May 2008 holdings and 19 percent more than the five-year average.

Processing apple holdings of 10.4 million bushels were 48 percent above year earlier levels and 17 percent above the five-year average for the June 1 reporting period.

The total number of apples in storage on June 1 was 34.8 million bushels, 30 percent less than last month, 53 percent more than last June's total and 32 percent higher than the five-year average of 26.4 million bushels for June.

Details are included the June 2009 edition of USApple's *Market News* – out today.

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