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Arizona Land In Farms Down 1 Percent

Arizona's estimated number of farms in 2005 is 10,100, down 1 percent from the previous year. The number of farms in the United States decreased from 2.11 million farms in 2004 to 2.10 million farms in 2005. Arizona's number of cattle operations decreased by 100. Seventy-seven percent of the total cattle inventory are on cattle operations with 1,000+ head, an increase of 3 percentage points from a year ago.

Number of Farms And Livestock Operations, Arizona And United States, 2004-2005

	AZ 1/		US	
	2004	2005	2004	2005
Number of Farms	10,200	10,100	2,112,970	2,100,990
Livestock Operations				
Cattle	2,700	2,600	989,460	982,510
Hogs	180	180	69,500	67,330
Sheep	260	250	67,580	68,280

1/ Includes accounting for individual farms on American Indian reservation land.

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All Orange Production Unchanged From January

The U.S. all orange February forecast for the 2005-06 season is 9.22 million tons, unchanged from the January forecast but 1 percent above last season's final utilization. Florida's all orange forecast, at 158 million boxes (7.11 million tons), is unchanged from the previous forecast but 1 percent above last season's utilization. The production of early-midseason varieties, at 80.0 million boxes (3.60 million tons), is unchanged from the January forecast.

Citrus Fruits: Utilized Production by Crop, State, and United States, 2003-04, 2004-05 and Forecasted February 1, 2006 1/

Crop and State	Utilized Production		
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
	1,000 Boxes 2/		
Oranges, Early, Mid, and Navel 3/			
AZ 4/	300	240	250
CA 4/	39,500	43,000	42,000
FL	126,000	79,100	80,000
TX 4/	1,420	1,500	1,300
US	167,220	123,840	123,550
Oranges, Valencia			
AZ 4/	170	190	200
CA 4/	11,000	18,000	12,000
FL	116,000	70,500	78,000
TX 4/	230	270	230
US	127,400	88,960	90,430
All Oranges			
AZ 4/	470	430	450
CA 4/	50,500	61,000	54,000
FL	242,000	149,600	158,000
TX 4/	1,650	1,770	1,530
US	294,620	212,800	213,980
All Grapefruit			
AZ 4/	140	140	100
CA 4/	5,800	5,800	6,000
FL	40,900	12,800	16,000
TX 4/	5,700	6,600	5,100
US	52,540	25,340	27,200
Tangerines			
AZ 4/ 5/	690	400	500
CA 4/ 5/	2,200	2,800	3,100
FL	6,500	4,450	5,200
US	9,390	7,650	8,800
Lemons 4/			
AZ	3,000	2,400	3,800
CA	18,000	19,000	19,000
US	21,000	21,400	22,800

1/ The crop year begins with the bloom of the first year shown and ends with the completion of harvest the following year.

2/ Net lbs. per box: oranges-AZ and CA-75, FL-90, TX-85; grapefruit-AZ and CA-67, FL-85, TX-80; lemons-76; tangerines-AZ and CA-75, FL-95.

3/ Navel and miscellaneous varieties in AZ and CA. Early (including navel) and midseason varieties in FL and TX. Small quantities of tangerines in TX.

4/ Estimates for current year carried forward from previous forecast.

5/ Includes tangelos and tangors.

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January Farm Prices Received Index Decreased 3 Points From Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in January, at 112, based on 1990-92=100, decreased 3 points (2.6 percent) from December. The Crop Index is down 3 points (2.7 percent) and the Livestock Index also decreased 3 points (2.5 percent). Producers received lower commodity prices for lettuce, turkeys, eggs, and hogs. Higher prices were received for cattle, oranges, corn, and cotton. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of cattle,

commodities a producer sells. Increased average marketings of soybeans, corn, and strawberries offset decreased marketings of grapes, tomatoes, dairy, and cotton.

Preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 1 point (0.9 percent) from January 2005. The Food Commodities Index, at 118, decreased 4 points (3.3 percent) from last month but increased 2 points (1.7 percent) from January 2005.

Prices Paid Index Up 2 Points

The January Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 145 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index increased 2 points (1.4 percent) from December and 8 points (5.8 percent) above January 2005. Higher

prices in January for gasoline, LP gas, complete feeds, and feed supplements more than offset lower prices for feeder cattle, feed concentrates, milk cows, and potash & phosphate materials.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, January 2005 and 2006 and December 2005

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		January 2005 Entire Month	December 2005 Entire Month	January 2006 Mid-Month	January 2005 Entire Month	December 2005 Entire Month	January 2006 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	44.40	52.90	1/	38.50	47.90	49.60
Cottonseed 2/	\$ Ton	161.00	125.00	136.00	114.00	95.10	102.00
Durum Wheat 3/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	121.33	113.00	108.00
Alfalfa Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	103.00	120.00	125.00	94.50	97.70	95.60
Oranges 5/	\$ Box	19.40	19.40	17.80	19.20	19.50	19.00
Lemons 5/	\$ Box	29.90	26.40	24.50	31.10	27.10	25.20
Tangerines 5/	\$ Box	26.00	29.40	29.80	29.80	29.20	30.70
Grapefruit 5/	\$ Box	21.50	22.80	24.50	30.60	25.30	26.20
Cows 6/	\$ Cwt	54.40	47.60	48.50	50.50	47.20	46.50
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	106.00	103.00	103.00	94.40	99.90	101.00
Beef Cattle 7/	\$ Cwt	105.00	102.00	102.00	89.40	93.60	94.40
Calves	\$ Cwt	125.00	123.00	125.00	125.00	134.00	137.00
All Milk 8/	\$ Cwt	15.70	14.40	14.30	15.90	14.80	14.50

- 1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.
 2/ Marketing year August – February.
 3/ Not available for Arizona.
 4/ Mid-month.
 5/ F.O.B. packed fresh Arizona box weights: Lemons 76 lbs., Oranges 75 lbs., Tangerines 75 lbs., Grapefruit 67 lbs.
 6/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.
 7/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.
 8/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2004		2005		2006	
	December	January	December	January	December	January
Prices Received	111	111	115	112	115	112
Prices Paid	134	137	143	145	143	145
Ratio 1/	83	81	80	77	80	77

1/ Ratio of index prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.