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Arizona Durum Wheat Production Up From Last Year

Durum Wheat: Production of Durum wheat in Arizona and California is forecast at a collective 31.6 million bushels, up 8 percent from May 1 and 110 percent above their 2007 total of 15.0 million bushels. Durum wheat in California is progressing normally, with no quality or disease problems. The harvest in Arizona, as of June 1, is slightly ahead of the 5 year average.

Winter Wheat: Production is forecast at 1.82 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 20 percent from 2007. Based on June 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 45.3 bushels per acre, up 1.0 bushel from the previous forecast and up 3.1 bushels from last year. Grain area totals 40.2 million acres, unchanged from last month. As of June 1, heading had reached 75 percent in the 18 major States, 9 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Progress was behind normal due primarily to below normal temperatures throughout the growing season. Harvest was underway in the southern-most portions of the growing area.

Forecasted head counts from the objective yield survey in the 6 Hard Red Winter States (Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Texas) are below last year's level in Colorado, Montana, Oklahoma, and Texas but above in Kansas and Nebraska.

Condition ratings declined during May in Colorado and Nebraska while the other States showed improved conditions. Harvest was just getting started in Oklahoma and Texas. A lack of moisture during May reduced yield potential in Colorado. Oklahoma benefitted from a cooler than normal spring with adequate rainfall. Forecasted head counts from the objective yield survey in the 3 Soft Red Winter States (Illinois, Missouri, and Ohio) are above last year's level. Condition ratings declined in Illinois, increased in Ohio, and remained constant in Missouri during May. In Missouri, yield potential improved despite excessive moisture in some areas of the State during May. Wet conditions in Ohio during early May slowed crop development, however more recent warmer weather has allowed winter wheat conditions to improve.

In the Pacific Northwest States (Idaho, Oregon, and Washington), yields are unchanged from last month in Washington and Oregon but up 1 bushel in Idaho. Forecasted head counts from the objective yield survey in Washington are above last year. Condition ratings declined in Washington but improved in Oregon and Idaho during May. Crop progress was behind normal for all three States at the end of May.

Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by Selected States and United States, 2007 and Forecasted June 1, 2008

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007		2006	2007
				May 1	June 1		
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
Winter Wheat							
CA	240	320	80.0	70.0	75.0	19,200	24,000
CO	2,350	2,100	40.0	32.0	30.0	94,000	63,000
ID	710	840	73.0	72.0	73.0	51,830	61,320
KS	8,600	9,400	33.0	38.0	38.0	283,800	357,200
MT	2,190	2,600	38.0	34.0	35.0	83,220	91,000
NE	1,960	1,850	43.0	44.0	43.0	84,280	79,550
OK	3,500	4,500	28.0	33.0	35.0	98,000	157,500
OR	735	760	55.0	60.0	60.0	40,425	45,600
SD	1,980	1,750	48.0	44.0	47.0	95,040	82,250
TX	3,800	3,400	37.0	29.0	30.0	140,600	102,000
WA	1,690	1,720	64.0	63.0	63.0	108,160	108,360
Other States 1/	1,442	1,824	43.5	44.0	45.7	62,749	83,309
US	35,952	40,162	42.2	44.3	45.3	1,515,989	1,817,364
Durum Wheat 2/							
AZ	79	145	100.0	95.0	100.0	7,900	14,500
CA	75	155	95.0	100.0	110.0	7,125	17,050
MT	475		24.0			11,400	
ND	1,460		30.0			43,800	
Other States 3/	23		63.5			1,461	
US	2,112		33.9			71,686	

1/ Other States include AL, AZ, FL, IA, LA, MN, NV, NJ, NM, ND, UT, WV, and WY. Individual state level estimates will be published in the "Small Grains 2008 Summary," released September 30, 2008.

2/ Area harvested for US and remaining states will be published in "Acreage" released June 30, 2008. Yield and production will be published in "Crop Production" released July 11, 2008.

3/ Other states include ID and SD. Individual State level estimates will be published in the "Small Grains 2008 Summary," released September 30, 2008.

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May Farm Prices Received Index Jumped 5 Points From April

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 150 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 5 points (3.4 percent) from April. The Crop Index is up 4 points (2.4 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 5 points (3.9 percent). Producers received higher prices for hogs, cattle, onions, and broilers and lower prices for eggs, lettuce, wheat, and broccoli. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased

monthly marketings of cantaloups, grapes, sweet corn, and wheat offset decreased marketings of cattle, milk, corn, and apples.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 14 points (10 percent) from May 2007. The Food Commodities Index, at 147, increased 5 points (3.5 percent) from last month and increased 11 points (8.1 percent) from May 2007.

Prices Paid Index Up 3 Points

The May Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 184 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is up 3 points (1.7 percent) from April and 23 points (14 percent) above May 2007. Higher prices in May

for diesel fuel, mixed fertilizers, feeder cattle, and potash & phosphate more than offset lower prices for feed concentrates, feed supplements, tractors, and feed grains.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, May 2007 and 2008 and April 2008

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		May 2007 Entire Month	April 2008 Entire Month	May 2008 Mid-Month	May 2007 Entire Month	April 2008 Entire Month	May 2008 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	1/	56.80	1/	44.00	62.10	60.70
Durum Wheat 2/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	179.70	460.00	403.30
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	149.00	178.00	185.00	145.00	157.00	177.00
Cows 4/	\$ Cwt	51.00	51.00	54.50	51.70	50.50	53.10
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	99.00	92.00	94.00	98.10	91.60	95.40
Beef Cattle 5/	\$ Cwt	84.60	75.60	78.20	92.80	86.60	90.50
Calves	\$ Cwt	114.00	105.00	105.00	124.00	116.00	116.00
All Milk 6/	\$ Cwt	18.10	17.30	17.10	18.00	18.00	18.20

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.

2/ Not available for Arizona.

3/ Mid-month.

4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

5/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

6/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2007		2008	
	April	May	April	May
Prices Received	133	136	145	150
Prices Paid	160	161	181	184
Ratio 1/	83	84	80	82

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