

GEORGIA FARM REPORT



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HIGHLIGHTS			
Poultry Summary	Cold Storage	August 1 Crop Forecast	Peaches
Livestock Slaughter	Agricultural Prices	Farm Labor	

EGGS IN INCUBATORS--JULY 1, 2003-2004, UNITED STATES

Item	2003		2004		% of Year Ago	
	--Thousands--		--Thousands--		--Percent--	
Chickens, Egg Type	32,098		36,065		112	
Chickens, Broiler Type	636,346		658,968		104	
Turkeys, All Breeds	32,021		30,200		94	

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the Monthly Turkey Hatchery Report].

POULTRY HATCHING AND PLACEMENT--JUNE 2003-2004

Item	2003		2004		January thru June	
	--Thousands--		--Percent--		--Thousands--	
Pullet Chicks Placed Domestic (U.S.) 1/						
Broiler Type	6,748	6,727	100	40,772	41,587	102
Egg Type	309	212	69	1,632	1,628	100
Chicks Hatched - Broiler Type						
Georgia	117,076	118,842	102	677,184	709,993	105
United States	774,679	785,844	101	4,555,707	4,663,076	102
Chicks Hatched - Egg Type						
Georgia	2,376	2,332	98	14,413	14,302	99
United States	36,602	38,066	104	212,843	219,169	103
Turkeys Poults Placed						
U.S.	25,422	23,480	92	244,040 2/	232,786 3/	95

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the Monthly Turkey Hatchery Report]. 1/ Domestic placements as reported by leading breeders includes expected pullet replacements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs. 2/ Turkey poults placed September 2001-June 2002. 3/ Turkey poults placed September 2002-June 2003.

NUMBER OF LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING JUNE 2003-2004

	Number of Layers		Eggs per 100 Layers		Total Eggs Produced	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	--Thousands--		--Number--		--Millions--	
GEORGIA						
Hatching	9,458	8,999	1,819	1,878	172	169
Table	11,096	11,198	2,118	2,143	235	240
Total Georgia	20,554	20,197	1,980	2,025	407	409
30 STATES						
Hatching	54,857	54,434	1,803	1,799	989	979
Table	257,585	264,954	2,190	2,194	5,641	5,813
Total 30 States	312,442	319,388	2,122	2,127	6,630	6,793
UNITED STATES						
Hatching	59,692	59,464	1,804	1,803	1,077	1,072
Table	275,097	282,669	2,191	2,193	6,028	6,200
Total U.S.	334,789	342,133	2,122	2,126	7,105	7,273

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report].

COMMERCIAL POULTRY SLAUGHTER 1/--MAY AND JUNE 2004

Item	May	Jun	% of Last Month	January to Date
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--
Young Chickens				
Georgia	99,446	106,183	107	617,260
United States	714,731	752,508	105	4,336,233
Mature Chickens				
Light Type, U.S.	6,112	6,304	103	35,782
Heavy Type, U.S.	5,479	6,099	111	34,016
Total U.S.	11,591	12,403	107	69,798
Percent Condemned Young Chickens				
	--Percent--		--Percent--	--Percent--
Georgia	0.84	0.95		0.95
United States	1.00	1.08		1.09

1/ Federally inspected slaughter data as collected by Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER--UNITED STATES 1/, June 2003-2004

Species	Number Slaughtered			Average Live Weight		Total Live Weight	
	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003	2003	2004	2003	2004
	--Thousand Head--		--Percent--	--Pounds--		--Thousand Pounds--	
Cattle	3,252.6	2,994.6	92	1,217	1,225	3,959,951	3,667,668
Calves	74.0	66.4	90	336	338	24,902	22,437
Hogs	7,764.2	8,504.4	110	266	264	2,063,846	2,243,747
Sheep & Lambs	229.4	230.9	101	132	134	30,397	30,989

[Results from the U.S. Livestock Slaughter Release]. 1/ Includes slaughter under Federal Inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

COLD STORAGE STOCKS--UNITED STATES, JUNE 30, 2004

Commodity	Jun 30, 2003	May 31, 2004	Jun 30, 2004	% of Jun 2003	% of May 2004
	--Thousand Pounds--			--Percent--	
Eggs, Frozen	17,951	20,554	18,431	103	90
Meats, Red	847,487	835,321	803,383	95	96
Beef, Frozen	371,477	402,823	411,000	111	102
Pork, Frozen	460,012	418,903	379,293	82	91
Poultry, Frozen	1,377,586	1,242,013	1,345,618	98	108
Peanuts, Shelled	400,397	395,852	399,968	100	101
Peanuts, In Shell	23,047	27,286	36,971	160	135
Pecans, Shelled	43,258	36,349	37,173	86	102
Pecans, In Shell	47,296	121,339	99,110	210	82

[Results from the Monthly Cold Storage Report].

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS--JULY 15, 2004

Commodity	Price per Unit	Georgia			United States		
		Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 15, 2004	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 15, 2004
Cotton	¢/Lb	46.10	59.80	59.80 1/	46.30	60.50	59.30 1/
Calves	¢/Lb	96.30	122.00	126.00	102.00	125.00	128.00
Beef Cattle 2/	¢/Lb	54.60	69.20	71.30	75.80	89.50	87.50
Cows 3/	¢/Lb	42.30	53.30	55.50	44.90	53.60	55.90
Steers & Heifers	¢/Lb	78.40	100.00	102.00	78.90	93.50	91.10

[Results from the Monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Based on sales during the first half of the month. 2/ "Cows" and "Steers and Heifers" combined. 3/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

INDEX NUMBERS, UNITED STATES

	2003		2004	
	Jun	Jul	Jun	Jul
UNITED STATES (1990-92= 100)				
Prices Received	107	105	128	122
Prices Paid	127	127	134	134
Ratio 1/	84	83	96	91

[Results from the Monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

GEORGIA ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, 2003 AND AUGUST 1, 2004 FORECAST

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested 1/		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2003	2004	2003	Ind 2004	2003	Ind 2004
		--1,000 Acres--				--1,000--	
Corn for Grain	Bu	285	280	129.0	125.0	36,765	35,000
Cotton, All 2/	Bales	1,290	1,300	785	738	2,110	2,000
Hay, All	Tons	600	580	3.0	2.6	1,800	1,508
Peanuts for Nuts	Lbs	540	575	3,450	3,300	1,863,000	1,897,500
Soybeans for Beans	Bu	180	240	33	29	5,940	6,960
Tobacco, All 3/	Lbs	27.0	24.0	2,200	2,000	59,400	48,000
Wheat, Winter	Bu	230	200	46	46	10,580	9,200
Apples	Lbs	5/	5/	5/	5/	13,000	14,000
Grapes	Tons	5/	5/	5/	5/	3.1	2.8
Peaches 4/	Lbs	5/	5/	5/	5/	110,000	110,000

1/ Harvested for principal use. 2/ Cotton yield in pounds per harvested acre, production in 480 pound net weight bales. 3/ Type 14. 4/ Estimates for current year carried forward from earlier forecast. 5/ Bearing acres and yield released January 2005 in Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2004 Preliminary Summary.

PEANUTS: AREA HARVESTED, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION BY SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES, 2002-2003 AND AUGUST 1, 2004 FORECAST

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production			
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2002	2003	2004	
		--1,000 Acres--		--Pounds--		--1,000 Pounds--		
AL	185	195	2,750	2,900	379,800	508,750	565,500	
FL	115	120	3,000	3,100	197,800	345,000	372,000	
GA	540	575	3,450	3,300	1,313,000	1,863,000	1,897,500	
SC	17	28	3,400	3,100	19,140	57,800	86,800	
US	1,312	1,351	3,159	3,198	3,321,040	4,144,150	4,320,200	

ALL COTTON: AREA HARVESTED, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION BY SELECTED STATES, AND UNITED STATES, 2002-2003 AND AUGUST 1, 2004 FORECAST

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production 1/			
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2002	2003	2004	
		--1,000 Acres--		--Pounds--		--1,000 Bales 2/--		
AL	510.0	545.0	772	749	570.0	820.0	850.0	
FL	92.0	103.0	610	597	96.0	117.0	128.0	
GA	1,290.0	1,300.0	785	738	1,578.0	2,110.0	2,000.0	
SC	218.0	218.0	718	731	131.0	326.0	332.0	
US	12,003.4	13,317.0	730	727	17,208.6	18,255.2	20,183.0	

1/ Production ginned and to be ginned. 2/ 480-lb net weight bales.

FARM WAGE RATES--JULY 6-12, 2003, AND JULY 11-17, 2004, BY REGION AND UNITED STATES 1/

Region	Wage Rates for All Hired Workers		Type of Hired Worker					
			Field		Livestock		Field and Livestock	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
--Dollars per Hour--								
Southeast 2/	8.08	8.88	7.55	8.19	7.87	8.68	7.61	8.34
US 3/	8.88	9.10	8.17	8.42	8.57	8.75	8.26	8.50

See footnotes below.

NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS ON FARMS AND HOURS WORKED FOR THE WEEK JULY 6-12, 2003, AND JULY 11-17, 2004, BY REGION AND UNITED STATES 1/

Region	Hired Workers				Expected to be Employed				
	Number		Hours Worked		150 Days or More		149 Days or Less		
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	
		--1,000--		--Hours per Week--		--1,000--			
Southeast 2/	35	44	37.2	35.6	21	30	14	14	
US 3/	943	953	39.8	39.3	680	637	263	316	

[Results from the Agricultural Labor Survey]. 1/ Excludes agricultural service workers. 2/ Southeast: AL, GA, SC. 3/ Excludes AK.

**PEACHES: TOTAL PRODUCTION BY TYPE, STATE, AND UNITED STATES,
2002-2003 AND AUGUST 1, 2004 FORECAST**

State	Total Production		
	2002	2003	2004
		--Million Pounds--	
AL 1/	22.5	9.0	31.0
AR 1/	6.1	8.9	10.0
CA			
Clingstone 1/	1,124.0	1,072.0	1,150.0
Freestone 1/	796.0	826.0	780.0
CO 1/	19.0	21.0	22.0
CT 1/	1.3	1.5	1.3
GA 1/	90.0	110.0	110.0
ID 1/	13.0	13.0	14.0
IL 1/	17.2	20.5	22.0
IN 1/	3.1	3.4	2.4
KY 1/	1.2	1.8	1.6
LA 1/	1.5	1.6	1.1
MD 1/	7.0	8.5	8.8
MA 1/	2.3	3.0	1.8
MI	14.0	47.0	41.0
MO 1/	8.0	10.0	11.0
NJ	62.0	70.0	65.0
NY 1/	10.0	13.0	11.0
NC 1/	10.0	6.0	9.0
OH 1/	9.4	11.3	7.4
OK 1/	4.0	3.0	3.3
OR 1/	7.9	4.5	7.7
PA	60.0	73.0	52.0
SC	160.0	100.0	140.0
TN 1/	4.0	3.5	3.5
TX 1/	12.0	7.0	25.0
UT 1/	6.5	9.0	9.5
VA 1/	7.0	10.0	10.0
WA	46.0	39.0	35.0
WV 1/	10.0	12.5	12.0
US	2,535.0	2,519.0	2,598.4

1/ Estimates for current year carried forward from an earlier forecast.