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HIGHLIGHTS

Poultry Summary	Agricultural Prices	November 1 Crop Forecast	Cotton by States
Livestock Slaughter	Peanut Stocks	Peanuts by States	Farm Labor

EGGS IN INCUBATORS, UNITED STATES--OCTOBER 1, 2004-2005

Item	2004		2005		% of Year Ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--		
Chickens, Egg Type	33,475		31,844		95
Chickens, Broiler Type	617,612		631,739		102
Turkeys, All Breeds	26,744		26,747		100

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

POULTRY HATCHING AND PLACEMENT--SEPTEMBER 2004-2005

Item	2004		2005		January thru September	
	--Thousands--		--Percent--		2004	2005
Pullet Chicks Placed Domestic (U.S.)^{1/}						
Broiler Type	7,758	7,132	92		63,574	63,776
Egg Type	205	375	183		2,267	2,239
Chicks Hatched - Broiler Type						
Georgia	117,943	117,952	100		1,075,599	1,082,790
United States	769,934	769,771	100		7,052,913	7,141,372
Chicks Hatched- Egg Type						
Georgia	2,339	2,272	97		21,383	20,568
United States	36,631	33,788	92		326,348	331,996
Turkeys Poults Placed^{2/}						
United States	21,268	22,735	107		21,268	22,735

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg 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/ Accumulated turkey poults are placed September 1 to current month.

NUMBER OF LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION--SEPTEMBER 2004-2005

	Number of Layers		Eggs per 100 Layers		Total Eggs Produced	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	--Thousands--		--Number--		--Millions--	
GEORGIA						
Hatching	9,060	9,141	1,854	1,914	168	175
Table	11,120 ^{1/}	9,768 ^{1/}	2,166	2,128	243	210
Total Georgia	20,280	19,009	2,027	2,025	411	385
UNITED STATES						
Hatching	58,847	57,848	1,806	1,851	1,063	1,071
Table	285,271	284,534	2,202	2,217	6,282	6,309 ^{2/}
Total U.S.	344,118	342,382	2,134	2,155	7,344	7,379 ^{2/}

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report]. 1/ Table eggs layers in flocks 30,000 and above. 2/ May not add due to rounding.

COMMERCIAL POULTRY SLAUGHTER^{1/}--AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2005

Item	Aug	Sep	% of Last Month	January to Date
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--
Young Chickens				
Georgia	112,976	107,591	95	947,926
United States	793,031	750,054	95	6,666,101
Mature Chickens				
Light Type, U.S.	6,153	5,410	88	56,873
Heavy Type, U.S.	6,919	6,113	88	54,779
Total U.S.	13,072	11,523	88	111,652
Percent Condemned Young Chickens	--Percent--			--Percent--
Georgia	0.65	0.62		0.81
United States	0.90	0.91		1.00

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

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER--UNITED STATES,^{1/} SEPTEMBER 2004, 2005

Species	Number Slaughtered			Average Live Weight		Total Live Weight	
	2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004	2004	2005	2004	2005
	--Thousand Head--		--Percent--	--Pounds--		--Thousand Pounds--	
Cattle	2,737.1	2,777.6	101	1,265	1,276	3,463,716	3,543,498
Calves	67.3	60.7	90	320	363	21,546	22,035
Hogs	8,999.2	8,869.9	99	265	265	2,387,426	2,349,204
Sheep & Lambs	243.9	231.3	95	133	135	32,370	31,136

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

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS--OCTOBER 15, 2005

Commodity	Price per Unit	Georgia			United States		
		Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 15, 2005	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 15, 2005
Cotton	¢/Lb	52.60	1/ ^{1/}	52.90 ^{2/}	50.60	44.30	46.90 ^{2/}
Cottonseed ^{3/}	\$/Ton	88.00	4/ ^{4/}	75.00	107.00	96.00	89.40
Peanuts, In Shell	¢/Lb	19.10	17.30	17.30	20.10	17.40	17.60
Calves	¢/Lb	120.00	123.00	123.00	126.00	133.00	132.00
Beef Cattle ^{6/}	¢/Lb	65.70	66.50	63.20	86.50	88.20	90.80
Cows ^{7/}	¢/Lb	50.90	49.80	45.70	49.80	49.80	47.70
Steers & Heifers	¢/Lb	94.30	98.80	97.20	91.10	92.30	96.00

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. ^{1/} Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms. ^{2/} Based on sales during first half of the month. ^{3/} Marketing year August-February. ^{4/} Insufficient sales to establish a price. ^{5/} "Cows," "Steers and Heifers" combined. ^{6/} Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

INDEX NUMBERS--UNITED STATES

Index	2004		2005	
	Sep	Oct	Sep	Oct
1990-92=100				
Prices Received	116	114	117	110
Prices Paid	135	136	142	143
Ratio ^{1/}	86	84	82	77

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

STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END, UNITED STATES--2005^{1/}

Month Ending	Farmer Stocks	Shelled Peanuts ^{2/}	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total ^{3/}
	--Thousand Pounds--				
Sep	1,460,614	400,744	47,426	532,990	2,041,030

[Results from the Peanut Stocks and Processing Report]. ^{1/} Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of CCC in commercial storages. Farmer stock on net weight basis. ^{2/} Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). ^{3/} Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts x 1.33.

GEORGIA ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION, 2004 AND NOVEMBER 1, 2005 FORECAST

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2004	Ind Nov 1, 2005	2004	Ind Nov 1, 2005	2004	Ind Nov 1, 2005
		--Thousand Acres--				--Thousands--	
Corn for Grain	Bu	280	230	130	127	36,400	29,210
Hay, All Other	Ton	600	650	2.7	2.8	1,620	1,820
Wheat, Winter	Bu	190	160	45	52	8,550	8,320
Peanuts	Lb	610	750	2,980	2,800	1,817,800	2,100,000
Soybeans for Beans	Bu	270	170	31	28	8,370	4,760
Cotton, Upland ^{1/}	Bale	1,280	1,210	674	793	1,797	2,000
Tobacco, Type 14	Lbs	23.0	16.0	2,030	1,700	46,690	27,200
Apples ^{2/}	Lbs	3/	3/	3/	3/	12,000	13,000
Grapes ^{2/}	Tons	3/	3/	3/	3/	3.3	3.3
Peaches ^{2/}	Tons	3/	3/	3/	3/	52.5	40.0
Pecans	Lbs	4/	4/	4/	4/	45,000	90,000

1/ Cotton yield in pounds per harvested acre, production in 480 lb. net weight bales. 2/ Bearing age acres. 3/ Acreage and yield estimates will be released in the Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts Summary, January 2006. 4/ Not available.

PEANUT PRODUCTION--NOVEMBER 1, 2005 FORECAST BY STATES AND UNITED STATES

State	Area Harvested Ind 2005	Yield Ind 2005	Production ^{1/} Ind 2005	2005 as % of 2004
	--1,000 Acres--	--Pounds--	--1,000 Lbs.--	--Percent--
AL	223.0	2,500	557,500	100
FL	145.0	2,600	377,000	104
GA	750.0	2,800	2,100,000	116
SC	59.0	2,800	165,200	147
US	1,607.0	2,898	4,657,700	109

1/ Estimates comprised of quota and non-quota peanuts.

ALL COTTON--NOVEMBER 1, 2005 FORECAST BY STATES AND UNITED STATES

State	Acres for Harvest	Yield	Production ^{1/}	2005 as % of 2004
	--1,000 Acres--	--Pounds--	--1,000 Bales ^{2/--}	--Percent--
AL	545.0	766	870.0	107
GA	1,210.0	793	2,000.0	111
SC	263.0	785	430.0	110
TN	635.0	862	1,140.0	116
US	13,673.0	813	23,161.0	100

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

HIRED WORKERS: ANNUAL AVERAGE WAGE RATES IN GEORGIA AND UNITED STATES--2004 AND 2005

	All Hired	2004		All Hired	2005		
		Field	Field and Livestock		Field	Field and Livestock	
		--Dollars per Hour--					
GA	9.10	8.52	8.51	8.99	8.34	8.50	
US ^{1/}	9.23	8.45	8.56	9.50	8.69	8.83	

[Results from the Agricultural Labor Survey]. 1/ Excludes AK.

**HIRED WORKERS: WAGE RATES FOR TYPE OF WORKER AND ALL HIRED WORKERS BY REGION AND UNITED STATES^{1/}
OCTOBER 10-16, 2004, AND OCTOBER 9-15, 2005**

Region	Type of Hired Worker						Wage Rates for All Hired Workers	
	Field		Livestock		Field and Livestock		2004	2005
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	--Dollars per Hour--							
Southeast^{2/}	8.01	8.51	8.08	8.86	8.03	8.60	8.56	9.05
US ^{3/}	8.62	8.90	8.91	9.14	8.69	8.96	9.32	9.61

See footnotes below.

**HIRED WORKERS: NUMBER AND HOURS WORKED BY REGION AND UNITED STATES^{1/}
OCTOBER 10-16, 2004, AND OCTOBER 9-15, 2005**

Region	Number of Workers		Expected to be Employed				Number of Hours Worked	
	2004	2005	150 Days or More		149 Days or Less		2004	2005
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	--1,000--		--Hours per Week--				--1,000--	
Southeast^{2/}	31	37	25	29	6	8	38.1	37.0
US ^{3/}	851	840	606	620	245	220	40.5	42.0

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

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