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INDIANA WINTER WHEAT FORECAST DOWN 19 PERCENT

Based on conditions May 1, Indiana's 2007 winter wheat crop is expected to total 25.8 million bushels, down 19 percent from 31.7 million bushels produced in 2006. The expected yield of 63 bushels per acre is 6 bushels below last year's yield of 69 bushels per acre. Intended acreage for harvest as grain, at 410,000 acres, decreased 11 percent from last year. Winter wheat is in mostly fair to good condition. The crop was rated 37 percent good to excellent as of May 6, compared with 83 percent a year ago.

As of May 6, pasture condition was rated 61 percent good to excellent, compared to 82 percent a year earlier. Hay stocks on Indiana farms totaled 198,000 tons, down 4 percent from a year earlier.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.62 billion bushels, up 24 percent from 2006. Area harvested for grain totals 37.2 million acres, up 19 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 43.5 bushels per acre, up 1.8 bushels from the previous year.

Hard Red production is up 51 percent from a year ago to 1.03 billion bushels. Soft Red is down 11 percent and totals 347 million bushels. White production totals 241 million bushels, up 7 percent from a year ago. Of the White production total, 18.6 million bushels are Hard White and 222 million bushels are Soft White.



Hay Stocks on Farms: All hay stored on farms May 1, 2007 totaled 15.0 million tons, down 30 percent from the previous year and the lowest since 1950. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2006 - May 1, 2007, totaled 81.4 million tons, 3 percent less than the disappearance of 83.9 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

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CROPS MAY 1, 2007 WITH COMPARISONS

Item	Indiana		United States	
	2006	2007	2006	2007
Winter Wheat				
For Harvest (1,000 Acres)	460	410	31,117	37,172
Yield Per Acre (Bushels)	69.0	63.0	41.7	43.5
Production (1,000 Bushels)	31,740	25,830	1,298,081	1,615,613
Hay Stocks on Farms, May 1				
Quantity (1,000 Tons)	207	198	21,345	14,988

PASTURE CONDITION, BY PERCENT INDIANA & UNITED STATES, MAY 6, 2007

State	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				
Indiana	0	6	33	51	10
United States	5	13	32	41	9

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TOP CATTLE PRODUCING COUNTIES

Elkhart county led the State for all cattle, followed again by Lagrange county in second place. Jasper county moved up to third place. Dubois and Washington counties both fell one position from the previous year, claiming fourth and fifth positions, respectively. Lawrence county held its first place position for beef cows for the January 1, 2007 inventory, followed again

by Washington, Harrison, Dubois and Greene counties. Jasper county maintained its first place position for milk cows. Elkhart, Newton, and Lagrange counties remained in second, third, and fourth positions, respectively. Adams county moved up one position to fifth place for milk cows.

TOP TEN COUNTIES IN INVENTORY JANUARY 1, 2007

Cattle and Calves		Rank	Beef Cows		Rank	Milk Cows	
Elkhart	45,600	1	Lawrence	11,000	1	Jasper	21,700
Lagrange	36,900	2	Washington	10,500	2	Elkhart	17,700
Jasper	30,200	3	Harrison	9,700	3	Newton	15,300
Dubois	27,700	4	Dubois	9,000	4	Lagrange	9,100
Washington	25,700	5	Greene	8,500	5	Adams	5,900
Harrison	23,800	6	Spencer	5,500	6	Marshall	5,700
Lawrence	23,600	7	Jefferson	5,100	7	Noble	4,600
Kosciusko	19,400	8	Orange	4,900	8	Laporte	4,200
Newton	18,600	9	Ripley	4,900	9	Cass	3,800
Greene	18,400	10	Perry	4,700	10	Kosciusko	3,300

INDIANA MILK PRODUCTION UP 2 PERCENT

Indiana's milk production totaled 290 million pounds during April 2007, up 2 percent from a year earlier. The number of milk cows on farms totaled 168,000 head, up 2 percent from a year earlier.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,745 pounds for April, 19 pounds above April 2006. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.28 million head, 6,000 head less than March 2007, but 39,000 head more than April 2006.

Milk production in the 23 major States during April totaled 14.4 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from production in these same States in April 2006.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION INDIANA, AND SELECTED STATES, APRIL 2006-2007

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	Thousand Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent
INDIANA	165	168	1,715	1,725	283	290	102
Illinois	103	103	1,650	1,645	170	169	99
Iowa	203	211	1,735	1,730	352	365	104
Kentucky	99	91	1,230	1,260	122	115	94
Michigan	318	328	1,850	1,895	588	622	106
Minnesota	450	455	1,575	1,600	709	728	103
Ohio	273	275	1,530	1,540	418	424	101
Wisconsin	1,241	1,246	1,580	1,615	1,961	2,012	103
23 State Total	8,240	8,279	1,726	1,745	14,222	14,443	102

^{1/} Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/} Excludes milk sucked by calves.



POULTRY PRODUCTION AND VALUE

The value of sales from chickens (excluding broilers) in Indiana during 2006 was \$233,000, down 5 percent from the \$246,000 a year ago. Prices remained the same, at 0.8 cent per pound. The number of chickens sold in 2006 totaled 8.8 million, down 5 percent from the total sold during the previous year. Indiana's value of egg production in 2006 was \$224.6 million, up 17 percent from the \$192.3 million in 2005. Egg production totaled 6.6 billion eggs, up 5 percent from the previous year. In 2006, eggs averaged 40.9

cents per dozen, compared with 36.9 cents in 2005. The value of Indiana's turkeys produced during 2006 was \$235.8 million, up 22 percent from the \$193.0 million the previous year. Turkey production in 2006 totaled 462.3 million pounds live weight, compared with 428.8 million pounds in 2005. The average price received by producers during 2006 was 51.0 cents per pound, compared to 45.0 cents per pound in 2005.

POULTRY PRODUCTION AND VALUE INDIANA AND UNITED STATES, 2005-2006

Item	Indiana			United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as a % of 2005	2005	2006	2006 as a % of 2005
Chickens (excluding broilers) 1/						
Number Lost (1,000 head) 2/	4,997	4,240	85	93,041	100,054	108
Number Sold for slaughter (1,000 head)	9,309	8,824	95	193,246	172,421	89
Pounds Sold (1,000 Lbs.)	30,720	29,119	95	1,001,792	914,580	91
Price per Pound (Dollars)	0.008	0.008	100	0.065	0.058	89
Value of Sales (1,000 Dollars)	246	233	95	64,739	53,124	82
Eggs 1/						
Eggs Produced (Million)	6,254	6,593	105	90,027	90,877	101
Price per Dozen (Dollars) 3/	0.369	0.409	111	0.540	0.579	107
Value of Production (1,000 Dollars)	192,327	224,552	117	4,049,293	4,387,528	108
Turkeys						
Number Raised (1,000 Head) 4/	13,400	13,800	103	252,053	261,960	104
Pounds Produced (1,000 Pounds)	428,800	462,300	108	7,095,977	7,417,935	105
Price per Pound (Dollars) 5/	0.450	0.510	113	0.449	0.479	107
Value of Production (1,000 Dollars)	192,960	235,773	122	3,182,767	3,551,127	112

1/ Estimates cover the 12 month period December 1 the previous year through November 30. 2/ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during the 12 month period. 3/ Including hatching and market (table) eggs. 4/ Based on turkeys placed September 1, previous year through August 31, of the current year. Excludes young turkeys lost. 5/ Equivalent live weight returns to producers.

MAJOR AGRICULTURAL SURVEY

Nearly 4,400 Indiana farm operators will be part of a national sample of producers who will be contacted for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's June survey.

This major survey will be conducted during the first half of June by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The information gathered will be used to make state, regional and national estimates of crop acreage, grain stocks, livestock inventories, number of farms and land in farms and other statistics.

This survey is important in making accurate crop and livestock estimates, which provide a basis for an orderly marketing system. An orderly marketing system is essential to all involved in agriculture.

The June Agricultural Survey is one of the most important of the many surveys conducted each year by the Indiana Field

Office of USDA, NASS. Other Agricultural Surveys are scheduled for September, December, and March. In addition to the agricultural surveys of farm operators conducted by this office, corn and soybean plots are randomly selected and laid out to aid in monitoring crop condition and potential yields during the growing season. Separate cattle and sheep inventory surveys are conducted in July and January.

The farms expected to participate nationally in the June survey are selected from over 2 million farms nationwide, using statistical sampling procedures. Facts about an individual's farm or ranch are strictly confidential and used only in combination with reports from other farmers to produce agricultural statistics for Indiana and the nation.



MILK PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME

Cash receipts from marketings of milk for Indiana during 2006, at 448.5 million dollars, was down 11 percent from 2005. Producer returns averaged \$13.70 per hundredweight, down \$2.30 per hundredweight from the 2005 average of \$16.00. Marketings totaled 3.27 billion pounds, 4 percent above 2005. Marketings include whole milk and producer separated cream sold to plants and dealers as well as milk sold directly to consumers.

Nationally, cash receipts from marketings of milk during 2006 totaled \$23.4 billion, 12.3 percent lower than 2005. Producer returns averaged \$12.97 per hundredweight, 14.6 percent below 2005. Marketings totaled 181 billion pounds, 2.8 percent above 2005. An estimated 1.14 billion pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, 0.3 percent more than 2005. Calves were fed 87 percent of this milk with the remainder consumed in producer households.

MILK PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION AND INCOME INDIANA AND UNITED STATES, 2005-2006

Item	Indiana			United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as a % of 2005	2005	2006	2006 as a % of 2005
	<u>Million Pounds</u>					
Total Milk Production	3,166	3,299	104	176,929	181,798	103
Used on Farm	25	25	100	1,140	1,143	100
Sold as Whole Milk ^{1/}	3,141	3,274	104	175,788	180,654	103
Average Return for Combined Sales of Milk and Cream:						
Per 100 Lbs Milk	16.00	13.70	86	15.19	12.97	85
Per Pound of Milkfat	4.40	3.72	85	4.15	3.51	85
Cash Receipts from Marketings	502,560	448,538	89	26,697,584	23,421,987	88
Value of Milk and Cream	506,560	451,963	89	26,873,946	23,573,744	88

^{1/} Includes milk sold to plants, milk sold directly to consumers and milk produced by institutional herds.

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