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**KANSAS:** The December **All Farm Products Index** of Prices Received by Kansas farmers, at 105 percent of the 1990-92 base, was down 1 point from November but up 4 points from December 2004. The **All Crops Index** in December, at 94 percent of the 1990-92 base, was up 1 point from November but unchanged from 2004. The **Meat Animals Index**, at 122 percent of the 1990-92 base, was the same as November but 8 points above last year. More detailed information regarding price indexes is shown in the first table on the back of this release.

**Wheat** prices in mid-December, at \$3.38 per bushel, were up 4 cents from November and 11 cents above last December.

**Corn** prices in mid-December, at \$1.85 per bushel, were down 6 cents from November and 16 cents below last December.

Farmers received an average of \$2.81 per cwt. for **sorghum grain** in mid-December, up 8 cents from November but 3 cents below last December.

**Soybean** prices, at \$5.44 per bushel in mid-December, were up 5 cents from November and 40 cents above last December.

**All hay** prices averaged \$67.00 per ton in mid-December, up \$2.00 from both November and last year. **Alfalfa hay** averaged \$73.00 per ton, up \$2.00 from both November and last December. **Other hay**, at \$52.00 per ton, was up \$2.00 from November and \$3.00 above last December.

**All beef cattle** were bringing an average of \$94.80 per cwt. in mid-December, up 80 cents from November and \$7.60 above the price last December. **Cow** prices, at \$46.50 per cwt., were down 50 cents from November and \$1.70 below the price last December. **Steers and heifers** averaged \$96.30 per cwt., up 80 cents from November and \$7.90 above December 2004. **Calf** prices in mid-December were \$144.00 per cwt., up \$1.00 from November and up \$11.00 from December 2004.

The **all hog** price of \$42.80 per cwt. for mid-December was up \$2.40 from November but down \$6.00 from last December. **Sow** prices averaged \$37.00, up 80 cents from November but \$7.30 lower than December 2004. **Barrow and gilt** prices averaged \$43.60 per cwt. in mid-December, up \$2.70 from November but \$5.80 below last December.

Individual commodity prices are shown in the second table on the back of this release.

**UNITED STATES:** The **All Farm Products Index** of Prices Received in December was 114 percent of the 1990-92 base, up 1 point from November and 3 points above December 2004.

The December **All Crops Index** was 109, up 4 points from November and 5 points above December 2004.

The December **Livestock and Products Index**, at 119, was down 2 points from last month and down 1 point from December 2004.

**Index Numbers - Prices Received by Farmers, Kansas and United States**

Product Group	Kansas			United States					
	1990-92=100%			1990-92=100%			1910-14=100%		
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 15, 2005	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 15, 2005	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 15, 2005
<b>PRICES RECEIVED</b>									
All Farm Products .....	101	106	105	111	113	114	708	716	722
All Crops .....	94	93	94	104	105	109	514	518	536
Food Grains .....	116	119	120	113	115	116	359	364	367
Feed Grains & Hay .....				93	83	89	333	297	319
Feed Grains.....	85	80	80						
Hay .....	102	102	105						
Oil Seeds.....	92	98	99	100	98	101	545	537	552
Livestock & Products .....				120	121	119	918	929	916
Meat Animals .....	114	122	122	118	120	121	1,195	1,224	1,229
Dairy Products.....				126	116	113	1,008	928	903

**Prices Received by Farmers and Feed Ratios, Kansas and United States**

Commodity	Kansas			United States			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 15, 2005	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 15, Current	Dec Parity <sup>1</sup>
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
All Wheat, bu .....	3.27	3.34	3.38	3.40	3.47	3.47	10.60
Corn, bu.....	2.01	1.91	1.85	2.04	1.77	1.88	7.08
Oats, bu, <u>4</u> /.....		1.68	1.59	1.60	1.63	1.73	4.20
Barley, bu .....				2.49	2.64	2.54	7.17
Sorghum Grain, cwt.....	2.84	2.73	2.81	2.99	2.82	2.94	11.50
All Sunflowers, cwt.....	12.70	11.00	9.95	13.40	12.30	11.30	
All Hay, ton.....	65.00	65.00	67.00	86.00	91.70	92.00	
Alfalfa, ton.....	71.00	71.00	73.00	92.10	97.50	97.70	
Other, ton.....	49.00	50.00	52.00	72.40	76.30	78.00	
Soybeans, bu.....	5.04	5.39	5.44	5.45	5.62	5.71	17.10
All Beef Cattle, cwt.....	87.20	94.00	94.80	86.80	91.30	92.70	184.00
Cows, cwt.....	48.20	47.00	46.50	48.60	46.00	46.60	
All Steers & Heifers, cwt.....	88.40	95.50	96.30	91.90	97.30	99.10	
Calves, cwt .....	133.00	143.00	144.00	122.00	133.00	135.00	249.00
Hogs, cwt.....	48.80	40.40	42.80	52.40	43.60	45.50	114.00
Sows, cwt.....	44.30	36.20	37.00	44.80	37.00	38.20	
Barrows & Gilts, cwt.....	49.40	40.90	43.60	52.70	43.90	45.80	
Lambs, cwt <u>2</u> /.....				101.00	107.00		223.00
Sheep, cwt <u>2</u> /.....				44.60	45.40		89.80
Milk, cwt., avg. fat test <u>3</u> / <u>4</u> /		14.40	14.00	16.40	15.10	14.70	37.50
Average fat test, percent <u>3</u> / <u>4</u> /.....		3.76	3.77	3.78	3.80	3.80	
<b>Feed Ratios</b>							
Hog-Corn.....	24.3	21.2	23.1	25.7	24.6	24.2	
Milk-Feed.....				3.67	3.46	3.28	

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Parity Prices based on 1910-14 base. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary price not published. <sup>3</sup> Milk price reflects gross producer price before deductions for hauling and capital retention. <sup>4</sup> Kansas milk and oats price series began January 2005.

**District Grain & Oilseed Prices**

Agricultural Statistics District	Wheat per Bushel		Sorghum Grain per Cwt		Corn per Bushel		Soybeans per Bushel <sup>1</sup>	
	November 2005	December 15, 2005	November 2005	December 15, 2005	November 2005	December 15, 2005	November 2005	December 15, 2005
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Northwest .....	3.31	3.35	2.64	2.73	1.90	1.82		
West Central ....	3.29	3.31	2.87	2.81	2.07	1.95	5.21	5.20
Southwest .....	3.30	3.21	2.83	2.78	2.14	1.99		
North Central....	3.35	3.47	2.62	2.76	1.67	1.67	5.26	5.32
Central.....	3.39	3.49	2.74	2.86	1.84	1.80	5.44	5.43
South Central....	3.35	3.35	2.77	2.79	1.86	1.84	5.40	5.36
Northeast .....	3.40	3.42	2.56	2.86	1.60	1.71	5.39	5.46
East Central .....	3.41	3.49	2.70	2.79	1.70	1.68	5.50	5.52
Southeast .....	3.23	3.31	2.65	2.97	1.97	1.88	5.38	5.61
State.....	3.34	3.38	2.73	2.81	1.91	1.85	5.39	5.44

<sup>1</sup> Soybean prices for Northwest, Southwest, and West Central combined due to insufficient data.