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2006 JUNE ACREAGE REPORT

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

★ **Corn** planted area for all purposes was estimated at 79.4 million acres, down 3 percent from 2005 and 2 percent below 2004.

★ **Soybean** planted area was estimated at 74.9 million acres, up 4 percent from last year and the second largest on record.

★ The **Burley Producing States** acreage for harvest was estimated at 104,000 acres, up 4 percent from 2005 and 25 percent greater than the March intentions.

estimated at 5,300 acres, a decrease of 700 acres from the previous year. **Dark air-cured tobacco** acreage was estimated at 4,700 acres an increase of 1,000 acres from 2005. Set tobacco was in mostly good to fair condition. Blue mold is a concern in a few Kentucky counties.

The **winter wheat** crop was estimated at 410,000 acres, up 20,000 acres from the 2005 crop. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 310,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from 2005. Wheat yield and quality were reported generally good to excellent.

Alfalfa hay acreage was estimated at 270,000 acres, an increase of 10,000 acres from the 2005 crop. **All other hay** acreage was estimated at 2.25 million acres, an increase of 100,000 acres from 2005. **Barley** acreage was estimated at 15,000 acres seeded, and 14,000 acres harvested for grain. **Sorghum** acreage was estimated at 26,000 acres planted and 23,000 acres harvested for grain.

KENTUCKY

Farmers increased their acreage planted to soybeans and burley tobacco for 2006 while decreasing their corn acreage.

Corn planted was estimated at 1.20 million acres, a decrease of 50,000 acres from the 2005 crop. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 1.11 million acres, a decrease of 70,000 acres from the previous year. Planting made rapid progress due to good soil conditions. The emerged corn crop is in mostly good to excellent condition.

Soybean acreage was estimated at 1.40 million acres, 140,000 acres more than last year. Soybean planting progress was ahead of the 5 year average, but lagged behind last year. The emerged crop was in mostly good to fair condition.

Farmers set an estimated 73,000 acres of **burley tobacco**, up 3,000 acres from the 2005 crop. Acreage set to **dark fire-cured tobacco** was

PLANTED & HARVESTED ACRES, JUNE 2006

CROPS	KENTUCKY ACREAGE			UNITED STATES ACREAGE		
	2005	2006		2005	2006	
		Indi-cated	% of 2005		Indi-cated	% of 2005
	(1,000 Acres)			(1,000 Acres)		
All Corn (Pl)	1,250	1,200	96	81,759	79,366	97
Corn for Grain (H)	1,180	1,110	94	75,107	72,091	96
Soybeans (Pl)	1,260	1,400	111	72,142	74,930	104
Soybeans for Beans (H)	1,250	1,380	104	71,361	73,935	104
All Sorghum (Pl)	25	26	104	6,454	6,282	97
Sorghum for Grain (H)	24	23	96	5,736	5,317	93
Hay:						
All	2,410	2,520	105	61,649	62,697	102
Alfalfa	260	270	104	22,389	22,407	100
All Other	2,150	2,250	105	39,260	40,290	103
Tobacco:						
All	79.70	83.00	104	298.08	336.43	113
Burley	70.00	73.00	104	100.15	104.00	104
Dark Fire-Cured	6.00	5.30	88	11.84	11.28	95
Dark Air-Cured	3.70	4.70	127	4.15	5.10	123
All Wheat (Pl) 1/	390	410	105	57,229	57,873	101
All Wheat (H)	300	310	103	50,119	47,084	94
Barley (Pl) 1/	10	15	150	3,875	3,496	90
Barley (H)	9	14	156	3,269	2,990	91

1/ Includes acreage planted preceding fall. (Pl) = Planted, (H) = Harvested. Crops not so indicated are harvested.

JUNE 1 HOG & PIG INVENTORY

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2006 was 60.9 million head. This was up slightly from June 1, 2005 and up 1 percent from March 1, 2006. Breeding inventory, at 6.06 million head, was up 1 percent from both last year and from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 54.9 million head, was up slightly from last year, and up 2 percent from last quarter.

The March-May 2006 U.S. pig crop, at 26.3 million head, was up 1 percent from 2005 and up 3 percent from 2004. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.90 million head, up 1 percent from both 2005 and 2004. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.08

for the March-May 2006 period, compared to 9.02 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.92 million sows farrow during the June-August 2006 quarter, up slightly from the actual farrowings in 2005, but up 1 percent from 2004. Intended farrowings for September-November 2006, at 2.92 million sows, are up one percent from both 2005 and 2004. The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 38 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, down from 40 percent last year.

**HOGS AND PIGS: INVENTORY NUMBERS BY CLASS & WEIGHT GROUPS
JUNE 1, 2005 - 2006, SELECTED STATES AND U.S.**

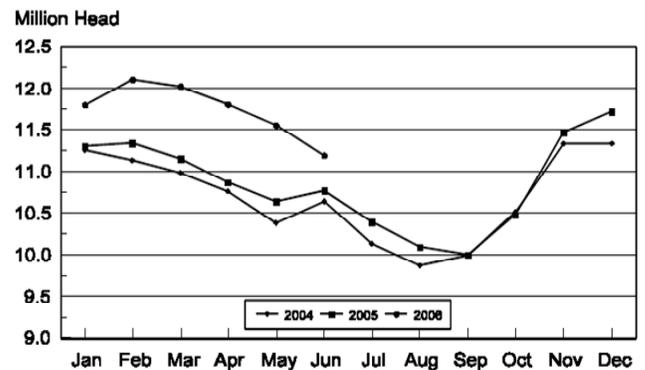
State	TOTAL		BREEDING		MARKET		MARKET HOGS							
	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	Under 60 lbs.		60-119 lbs		120-179 lbs		180 lbs +	
	1,000	% of	1,000	% of	1,000	% of	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	Head	2005	Head	2005	Head	2005	(1,000 Head)							
AR	275	95	85	100	190	93	140	140	20	15	20	15	25	20
CO	820	105	150	107	670	105	355	350	110	85	60	90	115	145
IL	4,150	101	430	100	3,720	101	1,340	1,350	900	910	770	820	660	640
IN	3,200	103	320	107	2,880	103	1,040	1,080	700	760	550	550	510	490
IA	16,300	101	1,080	101	15,220	101	4,600	4,760	4,130	4,160	3,500	3,410	2,900	2,890
KS	1,800	107	160	103	1,640	107	550	575	305	345	280	295	400	425
MI	960	105	100	100	860	106	310	325	200	195	155	170	145	170
MN	6,700	102	590	98	6,110	102	2,410	2,430	1,440	1,500	1,220	1,290	930	890
MO	2,700	95	350	103	2,350	94	1,230	1,135	480	490	450	420	350	305
NE	2,900	104	365	103	2,535	104	960	1,000	640	670	490	490	355	375
NC	9,600	97	1,020	100	8,580	97	3,560	3,540	2,140	1,960	1,720	1,690	1,460	1,390
OH	1,580	100	165	103	1,415	100	580	580	340	350	300	300	200	185
OK	2,340	98	360	100	1,980	98	960	920	330	320	230	260	500	480
PA	1,070	100	100	100	970	100	285	320	290	280	225	205	170	165
SD	1,440	103	160	110	1,280	102	465	465	320	305	250	260	220	250
TX	950	102	105	105	845	102	325	265	150	215	160	200	195	165
WI	420	98	55	110	365	96	150	145	90	95	70	70	70	55
Other 1/	3,722	100	465	99	3,257	100	1,163	1,218	791	787	693	660	608	593
U.S.	60,927	100	6,060	101	54,867	100	20,423	20,598	13,376	13,442	11,143	11,195	9,813	9,633

1/Individual state estimates not available for the 33 other States. Kentucky included in other States.

CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on June 1, 2006. The inventory was 4 percent above June 1, 2005 and 5 percent above June 1, 2004. This is the second highest June 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. **Placements** in feedlots during May totaled 1.91 million, 14 percent below 2005 and 19 percent below 2004. Net placements were 1.80 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 440,000, 600-699 pounds were 370,000, 700-799 pounds were 503,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 600,000. **Marketings** of fed cattle during May totaled 2.17 million, 9 percent above 2005 and 7 percent above 2004. **Other disappearance** totaled 115,000 during May, 20 percent above 2005 and 46 percent above 2004.

**United States Cattle on Feed
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**



KENTUCKY LIVESTOCK PRICES INCREASE WHILE CROP PRICES DECREASE

Livestock and crop prices received by **Kentucky** farmers continued to be mixed. Cattle and hog prices were steady or on the rise from last month, while crop prices all showed a decline from May.

Steers and heifers 500 lbs. and over averaged \$106.00 per cwt. at mid-June. This was up \$5.00 from May 2006 while down \$3.00 from June 2005. **Beef cow** prices for mid-June were \$48.00 per cwt., unchanged from a month earlier and down \$7.00 from last year. **Calves** less than 500 lbs. averaged \$126.00 per cwt. at mid-month. This was up \$2.00 from the previous month's price of \$124.00 while down \$5.00 from June a year earlier.

Barrows and gilts at mid-June averaged \$50.00 per cwt., up \$3.00 from the May price of \$47.00 and up \$1.00 from a year earlier. **Sows** averaged \$30.00 per cwt., unchanged from May 2006 while down \$14.00 from a year earlier.

Sheep and lamb prices for May were slightly higher compared to April. The sheep price for May was \$37.00 per cwt., up \$1.00 from the April price. The May lamb price at \$94.00 per cwt. was up \$1.00 from a month earlier.

The **all milk** price for mid-June was \$12.90 per cwt. This was down 10 cents from the May price and down \$2.60 from the June 2005 price. The final monthly mid-month milk price will vary from the projected mid-month milk price due to price changes announced by the Milk Marketing Orders, actual milk fat content and quantity sold by milk class.

The mid-June **corn** price was \$2.30 per bushel, down 16 cents from May 2006 and up 4 cents from a year earlier. The **soybean** mid-month

price was \$5.75 per bushel, a decrease of 13 cents from the May price and down \$1.09 from June 2005. The **winter wheat** mid-June price was \$3.15 per bushel, down 41 cents from the May price and down 7 cents from a year earlier.

The preliminary **U.S.** All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 118, based on 1990-92=100, increased 3 points (2.6 percent) from May. The Crop Index was down 2 points (1.6 percent) but the Livestock Index increased 6 points (5.8 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for broilers, sweet corn, hogs, and broccoli. Lower prices were received for lettuce, cantaloup, corn, and strawberries. The overall index was also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of wheat, grapes, hay, and cantaloup offset decreased marketings of oranges, tomatoes, strawberries, and sweet corn.

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS -(Dollars)

COMMODITY	UNIT	KENTUCKY			US
		JUNE 2005	MAY 2006	JUNE 2006	JUNE 2006
		Entire Month		Mid-Month <i>a/</i>	
All Corn <i>b/ c/</i>	Bu.	2.26	2.46	2.30	2.05
Soybeans <i>b/</i>	Bu.	6.84	5.88	5.75	5.57
Winter Wheat <i>b/</i>	Bu.	3.22	3.56	3.15	3.92
Alfalfa Hay, baled	Ton	115.00	115.00	115.00	115.00
All Other Hay, baled	Ton	67.00	70.00	70.00	90.10
All Hogs	Cwt.	48.80	46.30	49.20	53.20
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	49.00	47.00	50.00	54.20
Sows	Cwt.	44.00	30.00	30.00	31.80
All Beef Cattle <i>d/</i>	Cwt.	96.00	88.30	92.10	84.00
Steers & Heifers <i>e/</i>	Cwt.	109.00	101.00	106.00	88.40
Cows	Cwt.	55.00	48.00	48.00	46.10
Calves <i>f/</i>	Cwt.	131.00	124.00	126.00	132.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	37.00	-	-
Lambs	Cwt.	-	94.00	-	-
Milk Wholesale					
All	Cwt.	15.50	13.00	12.90	12.10
Hog-Corn Ratios <i>g/</i>	Bu.	21.6	18.8	21.4	26.0

a/ Preliminary. *b/* Includes contract sales paid during month. *c/* Includes yellow and white corn. *d/* "Steers and heifers" and "cows" combined. *e/* 500 lbs. and over. *f/* Under 500 lbs. *g/* Number of bushels of corn equal in value to 100 lbs. of hog live weight.

MILK PRODUCTION

Kentucky milk production for May 2006 totaled 125 million pounds, down 2 percent from May 2005. Average number of milk cows on farms, at 99,000 head, down 8,000 head from May 2005 and unchanged from last month. Milk per cow averaged 1,260 pounds for May 2006, up 65 pounds from May 2005 and up 30 pounds from April 2006.

Milk production in the **23 major States** during May totaled 14.7 billion pounds, up 2.8 percent from May

2005. April revised production, at 14.2 billion pounds, was up 3.7 percent from April 2005. The April revision represented a decrease of 2 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,782 pounds for May, 22 pounds above May 2005. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.26 million head, 128,000 head more than May 2005, and 19,000 head more than April 2006.

JUNE 1 GRAIN STOCKS

Corn stocks in **Kentucky** totaled 28.4 million bushels on June 1, 2006. The June 1 corn stocks were down 16 percent from 2005. Corn stored on farms totaled 12.5 million bushels, down 36 percent from a year earlier. Corn stored in off-farm facilities, totaled 15.9 million bushels, up 12 percent from June 2005 and the largest June 1 off-farm stocks since 1988. Off-farm stocks consisting of grain stored at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors made up 56 percent of total corn stocks stored. Off-farm stocks are the only estimates made for oats, all wheat, barley, grain sorghum and soybeans in Kentucky. **Soybean** off-farm stocks totaled 4.83 million bushels. The June 1 soybean stocks nearly tripled the June 2005 level, which was the lowest estimate since 1967. **Oats** off-farm stocks totaled 67 thousand bushels. The June 2005 estimate for oats was not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. Off-farm **all wheat** stocks totaled 3.30 million bushels, down 34 percent from a year earlier. To avoid disclosing individual operations estimates of **barley and grain sorghum** were not published.

U.S. corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 4.36 billion bushels, up 1 percent from June 1, 2005. Of the total stocks, 2.35 billion bushels were stored on farms, down 5 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.01 billion bushels, were up 8 percent from a year ago. **Soybeans** stored in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 990 million bushels, up 42 percent from June 1, 2005. This was the largest June 1 stocks level on record, exceeding the previous record set in 1986 by 17 percent. On-farm stocks totaled 496 million bushels, up 39 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 495 million bushels, were up 44 percent from the previous year. **All wheat** stored in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 568 million bushels, up 5 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks were estimated at 111 million bushels, down 31 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 457 million bushels, were up 21 percent from a year ago.

KENTUCKY AND UNITED STATES STOCKS OF GRAIN, JUNE 1, 2006 WITH COMPARISONS

CROP	POSITION	KENTUCKY			UNITED STATES		
		June 1, 2005	March 1, 2006	June 1, 2006	June 1, 2005	March 1, 2006	June 1, 2006
(Thousand Bushels)							
Corn	On-Farm	19,500	33,000	12,500	2,462,300	4,055,000	2,350,500
	Off-Farm <u>1/</u>	14,157	24,237	15,896	1,858,513	2,932,328 <u>5/</u>	2,012,020
	Total	33,657	57,237	28,396	4,320,813	6,987,328 <u>5/</u>	4,362,520
Sorghum	On-Farm	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	16,000	26,200 <u>5/</u>	12,650
	Off-Farm <u>1/</u>	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	97,170	166,936 <u>5/</u>	94,696
	Total	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	113,170	193,136 <u>5/</u>	107,346
Oats	On-Farm	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	25,350	42,200 <u>5/</u>	25,190
	Off-Farm <u>1/</u>	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	67	32,592	32,673 <u>5/</u>	27,401
	Total	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	57,942	74,873 <u>5/</u>	52,591
Barley	On-Farm	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	41,100	68,400	30,770
	Off-Farm <u>1/</u>	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	87,317	98,354 <u>5/</u>	77,261
	Total	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	128,417	166,754 <u>5/</u>	108,031
All Wheat	On-Farm	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	161,275	256,000	111,010
	Off-Farm <u>1/</u>	5,014	5,689	3,295	378,825	716,215 <u>5/</u>	456,833
	Total	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	540,100	972,215 <u>5/</u>	567,843
Soybeans	On-Farm	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	356,100	872,000	495,500
	Off-Farm <u>1/</u>	1,641	7,603	4,826	343,174	797,206 <u>5/</u>	494,640
	Total	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	699,274	1,669,206 <u>5/</u>	990,140

1/Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors. 2/Kentucky is a minor State, not published separately. 3/On-Farm oat stocks estimates not made. 4/Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. 5/Revised.

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