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JUNE CROP REPORT

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

- * **Winter wheat production** was forecast at 1.49 billion bushels, down 20 percent from 2008.
- * **Winter wheat harvested for grain** was forecast at 34.0 million acres, down 14 percent from last year.
- * **Winter wheat yield** was forecast at 43.9 bushels per acre, down 3.3 bushels from the previous year.
- * **Kansas**, the number one winter wheat state, was expecting 340.0 million bushels, down 4 percent from 2008.

KENTUCKY

Farmers expect to produce 26.4 million bushels of **winter wheat**. The forecast was based on crop conditions as of June 1 and represented an 8 percent decrease in production from the May estimate. The expected 2009 crop will be down 19 percent from 2008. The expected

decrease in the 2009 crop is a result of smaller grain acreage, and the wet and cool weather conditions during May. Yield was forecast at 66 bushels per acre, down 6 bushels from the May estimate and 5 bushels below the 2008 crop. Farmers intend to harvest 400,000 acres for grain, unchanged from May but 60,000 acres below the 2008 harvested acreage. Of the 530,000 acres of wheat seeded in the fall of 2008, the 130,000 acres not harvested for grain were used as plow down prior to setting tobacco or harvested as hay or silage. Temperatures were normal to below normal during May and the cooler temperatures slowed wheat development. Adequate to surplus soil moisture along with cool temperatures, especially toward the end of May has reduced yield potential. Major concerns include the extent of head scab damage and its affect on yield and test weight. Condition of the crop as of June 1 was 1 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 51 percent good and 10 percent excellent. Winter wheat harvest is expected to begin the week of June 14.

WINTER WHEAT, SELECTED STATES & U.S., JUNE 1, 2009

STATE	AREA HARVESTED		YIELD		PRODUCTION		
	2008	Ind. 2009	2008	In d. 2009	2007	2008	Ind. 2009
	(1,000 Acres)		(Bushels)		(1,000 Bushels)		
Colorado	1,900	2,300	30.0	35.0	91,650	57,000	80,500
Illinois	1,150	800	64.0	63.0	48,950	73,600	50,400
Indiana	560	430	69.0	69.0	20,720	38,640	29,670
Kansas	8,900	8,500	40.0	40.0	283,800	356,000	340,000
KENTUCKY	460	400	71.0	66.0	12,000	32,660	26,400
Missouri	1,160	750	48.0	51.0	37,840	55,680	38,250
Montana	2,420	2,400	39.0	39.0	83,220	94,380	93,600
Nebraska	1,670	1,600	44.0	45.0	84,280	73,480	72,000
Ohio	1,090	990	68.0	66.0	44,530	74,120	65,340
Oklahoma	4,500	3,500	37.0	21.0	98,000	166,500	73,500
Oregon	775	720	58.0	53.0	38,160	44,950	38,160
Tennessee	520	300	63.0	59.0	10,660	32,760	17,700
Texas	3,300	2,400	30.0	27.0	140,600	99,000	64,800
Washington	1,720	1,700	56.0	60.0	104,780	96,320	102,000
U.S.	39,614	33,995	47.2	43.9	1,499,241	1,867,903	1,491,769

MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in the **23 major States** during April totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up slightly from April 2008. March revised production, at 15.2 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from March 2008. The March revision represented an increase of 47 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per

cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,758 pounds for April, 1 pound above April 2008. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.48 million head, 3,000 head less than April 2008, and 2,000 head less than March 2009.

MEAT ANIMALS: PRODUCTION & INCOME – KENTUCKY

	2006	2007 ^{1/}	2008
CATTLE & CALVES	(Thousand Pounds)		
Production	690,204	627,029	591,267
Marketings	609,630	664,170	671,130
	(Dollars Per 100 Pounds)		
Cattle	87.60	83.20	79.80
Calves	121.00	109.00	98.70
	(Thousand Dollars)		
Cash Receipts	595,619	605,036	574,379
Gross Income	609,736	618,297	587,152
HOGS & PIGS	(Thousand Pounds)		
Production	179,505	187,417	173,081
Marketings	194,640	192,810	182,115
	(Dollars Per 100 Pounds)		
All Hogs & Pigs	45.30	45.90	44.60
	(Thousand Dollars)		
Cash Receipts	89,632	89,743	83,315
Gross Income	90,857	90,949	84,892
SHEEP & LAMBS	(Thousand Pounds)		
Production	2,370	2,713	2,579
Marketings	2,237	2,749	2,325
	(Dollars Per 100 Pounds)		
Sheep	41.60	34.30	35.30
Lambs	94.80	98.20	103.00
	(Thousand Dollars)		
Cash Receipts	1,791	2,363	2,206
Gross Income	1,857	2,425	2,297

^{1/}Revised. ^{2/}December 1 previous year.

MILK PRODUCTION AND INCOME- KENTUCKY

	2006	2007	2008
	(Thousand Head)		
Average Number of Milk Cows	98	90	90
	(Pounds)		
Milk per Cow ^{1/}	13,296	13,889	13,444
	(Percent)		
All Milk – Percent of Fat	3.67	3.67	3.68
	(Million Pounds)		
Total Milk ^{1/}	1,303	1,250	1,210
Fluid Grade Milk Marketed ^{2/}	1,281	1,228	1,188
	(Dollars)		
Average Price All Milk Per Cwt. ^{3/}	14.00	20.20	20.00
	(Thousand Dollars)		
Cash Receipts from Marketings	179,340	248,056	237,600
Gross Producer Income ^{4/}	179,620	248,460	238,000
Value of Milk Produced ^{4/} ^{5/}	182,420	252,500	242,000

^{1/}Excludes milk sucked by calves. ^{2/}Milk sold to plants and dealers as whole milk and equivalent amounts of milk for cream. Includes milk produced and sold directly to consumers. Also includes milk from institutional herds. ^{3/}Price per 100 pounds of milk. ^{4/}Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption. ^{5/}Includes value of milk fed to calves.

ANNUAL DAIRY PRODUCTS

Butter production in the United States during 2008 totaled 1.64 billion pounds, 7.3 percent above 2007. California accounted for 33.8 percent of the production, followed by Wisconsin with 22.0 percent.

Total cheese production, excluding cottage cheeses, was 9.93 billion pounds, 1.6 percent above 2007 production. Wisconsin was the leading State with 25.4 percent of the production. American type cheese production was 4.07 billion pounds, 5.0 percent above 2007 and accounted for 41.0 percent of total cheese in 2008. Italian varieties, with 4.16 billion pounds were 1 percent below 2007 production and accounted for 41.9 percent of total cheese in 2008. Mozzarella accounted for 77.9 percent of the Italian production followed by Provolone with 8.0 percent and Ricotta with 6.2 percent. California was the leading State in Italian cheese production with 29.4 percent of the production.

Ice cream production was down in 2008. Regular ice cream production totaled 943 million gallons, down 1.4 percent from 2007. Lowfat ice cream, at 377 million gallons, down 1.2 percent. Nonfat dry milk for human food production, at 1.52 billion pounds, up 17.0 percent from 2007.

Kentucky plants produced 12.9 million pounds of cottage cheese curd in 2008, down 7 percent from 2007. Lowfat cottage cheese production totaled 11.5 million pounds, down 4 percent from 2007. Creamed cottage cheese production totaled 13.2 million pounds, down 6 percent from last year. Sixteen Kentucky plants produced one or more dairy products in 2008. Totals for most dairy products manufactured in Kentucky are not published to avoid disclosing individual plant production.

APRIL FARM LABOR

There were 903,000 hired workers on the **Nation's** farms and ranches during the week of April 12-18, 2009, down 2 percent from a year ago. Of these hired workers, 680,000 workers were hired directly by farm operators. Agricultural service employees on farms and ranches made up the remaining 223,000 workers.

Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$10.84 per hour during the April 2009 reference week, up 27 cents from a year earlier. Field workers received an average of \$9.99 per hour, up 34 cents from last April, while livestock workers earned \$10.25

per hour compared with \$10.24 a year earlier. The field and livestock worker combined wage rate, at \$10.07 per hour, was up 23 cents from last year.

The number of hired workers on farms in the **3-State Region including Kentucky**, Tennessee, and West Virginia totaled 21,000 during the week of April 12-18, 2009. Hired workers worked an average 36.4 hours during the survey week. The average wage rate for all hired workers was \$10.10 per hour. Field workers averaged \$9.23 per hour and livestock workers averaged \$9.62 per hour.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION 1/

Type	Apr 2008	Mar 2009	Apr 2009	Apr 09 % of	
				Apr 08	Mar 09
Million Pounds					
Percent					
Beef	2,255.4	*2,144.6	2,133.1	95	99
Veal	11.9	12.2	11.2	94	92
Pork	2,015.6	1,969.0	1,924.1	95	98
Lamb & Mutton	15.3	15.9	15.5	101	97
Total U.S.	4,298.2	*4,141.6	4,083.9	95	99
Total Kentucky	50.1	48.5	46.7	93	96

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. * Revised.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, APRIL 2008 & 2009 1/

Type	Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Avg Live Weight	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Kentucky	1,000 head		1,000 lbs.		Pounds	
Cattle	1.6	1.9	1,512	1,834	965	957
Hogs	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Sheep & Lambs	0.8	1.0	106	126	127	126
United States						
Cattle	2,961.1	2,772.1	3,716,023	3,525,518	1,259	1,276
Hogs	9,996.0	9,431.1	2,690,357	2,564,114	269	272
Sheep & Lambs	221.2	229.1	30,572	30,822	138	135

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

COLD STORAGE HIGHLIGHTS

ALL U.S. WAREHOUSE STOCKS				Apr 09 as % of	
Commodity	Apr 30, 08	Mar 31, 09	Apr 30, 09	Apr 08	Mar 09
Frozen Poultry	1,000 lbs			Percent	
Chicken	752,875	635,475	663,385	88	104
Turkey	491,283	513,384	577,316	118	112
Ducks	3,347	4,299	5,424	162	126
Total Frozen Poultry	1,247,505	1,153,158	1,246,125	100	108
Meat					
Total Frozen Beef	416,354	425,878	410,899	99	96
Frozen Pork					
Bellies	100,189	72,940	79,337	79	109
Total Frozen Pork 1/	663,443	594,127	614,666	93	103
Total Meat 2/	1,103,911	1,045,263	1,053,173	95	101

1/ Includes picnics, hams, bellies, loins, ribs, trimmings, and other frozen pork. 2/ Includes frozen beef, pork, veal, lamb and mutton, other frozen meat, canned hams, and other canned meat.

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS - (Dollars)

COMMODITY	UNIT	KENTUCKY		US	
		MAY 2008	APR 2009	MAY 2009	MAY 2009
		Entire Month		Mid-Month a/	
All Corn b/ c/	Bu.	5.46	4.09	4.30	4.08
Soybeans b/	Bu.	13.10	10.10	11.20	10.80
Winter Wheat b/	Bu.	4.82	5.06	5.00	5.58
Alfalfa Hay, baled	Ton	175.00	160.00	160.00	138.00
All Other Hay, baled	Ton	95.00	90.00	90.00	113.00
All Hogs	Cwt.	54.30	42.20	43.20	44.20
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	55.00	42.00	43.00	44.30
Sows	Cwt.	30.00	47.00	49.00	42.80
All Beef Cattle d/	Cwt.	85.90	78.90	81.20	82.80
Steers & Heifers e/	Cwt.	96.00	89.00	91.00	87.20
Cows	Cwt.	54.00	47.00	50.00	49.20
Calves f/	Cwt.	107.00	100.00	102.00	112.00
Sheep	Cwt.	31.00	38.00	--	--
Lambs	Cwt.	117.00	123.00	--	--
Hog-Corn Ratios g/	Bu.	9.9	10.3	10.0	10.8

a/ Preliminary. b/ Includes contract sales paid during month. c/ Includes yellow and white com. 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.

U.S. DAIRY PRODUCTS, APRIL 2009

PRODUCT	April 2008	March 2009 1/	April 2009	Apr 09 as % of	
	(000) Pounds			Apr 08	Mar 09
BUTTER	149,984	147,245	144,086	96	98
Percent					
CHEESE	(000) Pounds			Percent	
American Types 2/	340,115	359,029	350,985	103	98
Mozzarella	275,693	281,087	272,124	99	97
All Other Types 3/	204,593	230,712	223,266	109	97
Total	820,401	870,828	846,375	103	97
Percent					
FROZEN PRODUCTS	(000) Gallons			Percent	
Ice Cream (Hard)	77,122	76,124	79,572	103	105
Frozen Yogurt (Total)	7,400	6,161	6,197	84	101
Percent					
MIX FOR FROZEN PRODUCTS	(000) Gallons			Percent	
Ice Cream Mix	43,094	42,306	44,345	103	105
Yogurt Mix	3,860	3,734	3,756	97	101

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack. 3/ Includes Swiss, Cream and all other types. Excludes cottage cheese.

UNITED STATES EGG PRODUCTION & HATCH

Type	Apr. 2008	Apr. 2009	09 % of 08
Egg Production			
Eggs Produced (Million)	7,373	7,459	100
Average Layers (000)	340,838	339,640	100
Eggs Per 100 Layers	2,163	2,196	102
Egg Type Hatchery			
Eggs Set Feb 1 (000)	40,422	35,766	88
Chicks Hatched (000)	42,329	40,621	96
Broiler Type Hatchery			
Eggs Set Feb 1 (000)	668,011	628,222	94
Chicks Hatched (000)	801,548	755,862	94

2008 POULTRY - PRODUCTION & VALUE, KENTUCKY & U.S.

ITEM	KENTUCKY		2008 % of 2007	UNITED STATES		2008 % of 2007
	2007 <u>1/</u>	2008		2007 <u>1/</u>	2008	
BROILERS						
Numbers Produced (000)	303,300	306,100	101	8,906,700	9,009,100	101
Pounds Produced (000)	1,668,200	1,652,900	99	49,330,700	50,440,500	102
Live Weight Equiv. \$/lb.	0.430	0.450	105	0.436	0.458	105
Value of Production (000)	717,326	743,805	104	21,513,536	23,112,184	107
EGG PRODUCTION						
Eggs Produced (million)	1,170	1,140	97	91,101	90,151	99
Price Per Dozen (dollars)	1.230	1.370	111	0.885	1.090	123
Value of Production (000)	120,075	130,387	109	6,718,853	8,225,486	122
CHICKENS						
Number Sold (000)	1,946	3,027	156	168,283	175,932	105
Pounds Sold (000)	15,373	21,794	142	912,875	936,508	103
Price per Pound (dollars)	0.084	0.094	112	0.056	0.066	118
Value of Sales (000 dollars)	1,291	2,049	159	51,498	61,845	120

1/Revised.

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