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Prices received by Minnesota farmers for soybeans for May averaged \$12.00 per bushel, an increase of 10 cents from the April price. Corn was up 4 cents, to a May price of \$5.00 per bushel.

The all hog price for May was \$57.20 per cwt., an increase of \$11.30 from the April price. The all beef cattle price for May was \$83.10 per cwt., an increase of \$3.00 from the April price.

The all milk price for May, at \$20.00 per cwt., was up \$1.30 from April.

The preliminary U.S. All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 150 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 5 points (3.4 percent) from April. The Crop Index is up 4 points (2.4 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 5 points (3.9 percent).

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

| Commodity And Unit | U.S. | | -----Minnesota----- | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| | May 2008 1/ | May 2007 2/ | Apr 2008 2/ | May 2008 1/ |
| Barley, Feed & Malting, bu..... | 4.76 | 3.22 | 4.77 | 3/ |
| Beans, Dry Edible, All, cwt..... | 36.30 | 26.80 | 39.80 | 40.10 |
| Corn, bu | 5.12 | 3.22 | 4.96 | 5.00 |
| Hay, All Baled, ton | 166.00 | 103.00 | 127.00 | 124.00 |
| Alfalfa, Baled, ton | 177.00 | 104.00 | 130.00 | 126.00 |
| Other, Baled, ton | 134.00 | 86.00 | 98.00 | 97.00 |
| Oats, bu | 3.46 | 2.58 | 3.27 | 3.40 |
| Potatoes, cwt | 9.21 | 5.75 | 5.90 | 5.70 |
| Soybeans, bu | 12.30 | 6.97 | 11.90 | 12.00 |
| Sunflowers, All, cwt..... | 27.40 | 16.90 | 23.30 | 25.20 |
| Wheat, All, bu..... | 8.80 | 4.97 | 9.58 | 9.27 |
| Calves, cwt..... | 116.00 | 126.00 | 111.00 | 115.00 |
| Cattle, All Beef, cwt 4/..... | 90.50 | 88.10 | 80.10 | 83.10 |
| Cows, cwt, 5/ | 53.10 | 53.80 | 55.50 | 57.30 |
| Steers & Heifers, cwt..... | 95.40 | 94.90 | 87.80 | 91.10 |
| Milk Cows, head 6/..... | -- | -- | 2,000.00 | -- |
| Hogs, All, cwt | 54.10 | 55.60 | 45.90 | 57.20 |
| Barrows & Gilts, cwt | 55.50 | 55.80 | 46.10 | 57.50 |
| Sows, cwt | 23.00 | 36.00 | 16.20 | 22.30 |
| Lambs, cwt 7/ | -- | 96.00 | 93.70 | -- |
| Sheep, cwt 7/ | -- | 30.00 | 24.20 | -- |
| Milk, All, cwt | 18.20 | 18.50 | 18.70 | 20.00 |
| Eggs, Table Market, doz | 0.70 | 0.68 | 0.94 | 0.74 |

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Entire month data. 3/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual farms. 4/ "cows" and "steers and heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 6/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published in Jan., Apr., Jul., and Oct. 7/ Preliminary prices discontinued Jan. 1996.

U.S. INDEX SUMMARY (1990-92 = 100)

| Item | Apr 2007 | May 2007 | Apr 2008 | May 2008 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Prices Received | 133 | 136 | 145 | 150 |
| Prices Paid (Interest, Taxes, Wage Rates) | 160 | 161 | 181 | 184 |
| Parity Ratio 1/ | 83 | 84 | 80 | 82 |

1/ Computed by dividing Prices Received Index by Prices Paid Index.

U.S. INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED (1990-92 = 100)

| Commodities | May 2007 1/ | Apr 2008 1/ | May 2008 2/ |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| All Farm Products | 136 | *145 | 150 |
| Crops | 140 | *168 | 172 |
| Meat Animals | 124 | *113 | 122 |
| Dairy Products | 138 | 138 | 139 |
| Poultry & Eggs | 141 | *148 | 147 |

* Revised. 1/ Entire month data. 2/ Preliminary.

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**SPRING WHEAT: Acreage, Yield, and Production,
by County and District, Minnesota, 2006-07**

| County and District 1/ | Planted Acreage | | Harvested Acreage | | Yield Per Harvested Acre | | Production | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| | ----- Acres ----- | | ----- Acres ----- | | ----- Bushels ----- | | ----- Bushels ----- | |
| Becker | 54,400 | 50,200 | 52,800 | 48,900 | 55.0 | 49.0 | 2,904,000 | 2,396,100 |
| Clay | 129,500 | 121,500 | 126,200 | 117,500 | 52.0 | 45.0 | 6,562,400 | 5,287,500 |
| Clearwater | 5,800 | 5,700 | 5,300 | 5,600 | 39.0 | 43.0 | 206,700 | 240,800 |
| Kittson | 132,800 | 148,500 | 128,600 | 144,200 | 49.0 | 51.0 | 6,301,400 | 7,354,200 |
| Mahnomen | 33,600 | 25,700 | 32,800 | 25,100 | 50.0 | 47.0 | 1,640,000 | 1,179,700 |
| Marshall | 193,000 | 219,000 | 187,700 | 213,000 | 42.0 | 49.0 | 7,883,400 | 10,437,000 |
| Norman | 138,200 | 134,500 | 134,300 | 130,700 | 47.0 | 46.0 | 6,312,100 | 6,012,200 |
| Pennington | 66,000 | 75,900 | 64,400 | 74,000 | 37.0 | 49.0 | 2,382,800 | 3,626,000 |
| Polk | 284,600 | 292,000 | 277,500 | 284,500 | 47.0 | 54.0 | 13,042,500 | 15,363,000 |
| Red Lake | 50,800 | 53,000 | 49,600 | 51,700 | 38.0 | 49.0 | 1,884,800 | 2,533,300 |
| Roseau | 98,200 | 101,000 | 95,600 | 98,800 | 37.0 | 45.0 | 3,537,200 | 4,446,000 |
| Northwest | 1,186,900 | 1,227,000 | 1,154,800 | 1,194,000 | 45.6 | 49.3 | 52,657,300 | 58,875,800 |
| Beltrami | -- | 6,300 | -- | 5,700 | -- | 49.0 | -- | 279,300 |
| Cass | -- | 900 | -- | 800 | -- | 39.0 | -- | 31,200 |
| Koochiching | -- | 1,700 | -- | 1,600 | -- | 42.0 | -- | 67,200 |
| Lake of the Woods | 10,700 | 11,300 | 10,500 | 10,800 | 43.0 | 42.0 | 451,500 | 453,600 |
| Combined Counties | 11,000 | 3,800 | 10,600 | 3,600 | 48.3 | 34.1 | 511,500 | 122,700 |
| North Central | 21,700 | 24,000 | 21,100 | 22,500 | 45.6 | 42.4 | 963,000 | 954,000 |
| Big Stone | 28,600 | 26,600 | 27,800 | 25,900 | 54.0 | 48.0 | 1,501,200 | 1,243,200 |
| Chippewa | 4,500 | 3,700 | 4,400 | 3,500 | 49.0 | 54.0 | 215,600 | 189,000 |
| Douglas | 15,800 | 18,100 | 15,400 | 17,600 | 54.0 | 40.0 | 831,600 | 704,000 |
| Grant | 28,300 | 28,200 | 26,800 | 27,500 | 55.0 | 47.0 | 1,474,000 | 1,292,500 |
| Lac Qui Parle | 16,100 | 9,200 | 15,700 | 8,900 | 50.0 | 43.0 | 785,000 | 382,700 |
| Otter Tail | 60,100 | 59,200 | 58,400 | 57,700 | 50.0 | 38.0 | 2,920,000 | 2,192,600 |
| Pope | 11,700 | 11,800 | 11,400 | 11,300 | 49.0 | 48.0 | 558,600 | 542,400 |
| Stevens | 17,300 | 16,200 | 16,800 | 15,800 | 56.0 | 55.0 | 940,800 | 869,000 |
| Swift | 14,800 | 14,600 | 14,400 | 14,200 | 55.0 | 51.0 | 792,000 | 724,200 |
| Traverse | 29,500 | 23,400 | 28,700 | 22,500 | 53.0 | 34.0 | 1,521,100 | 765,000 |
| Wilkin | 128,000 | 125,500 | 124,500 | 121,900 | 52.0 | 35.0 | 6,474,000 | 4,266,500 |
| Yellow Medicine | 14,700 | 10,000 | 14,300 | 9,700 | 54.0 | 54.0 | 772,200 | 523,800 |
| West Central | 369,400 | 346,500 | 358,600 | 336,500 | 52.4 | 40.7 | 18,786,100 | 13,694,900 |
| Benton | -- | 1,100 | -- | 1,000 | -- | 30.0 | -- | 30,000 |
| Carver | 1,500 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,300 | 45.0 | 46.0 | 63,000 | 59,800 |
| Kandiyohi | 6,500 | 5,400 | 6,300 | 5,300 | 44.0 | 42.0 | 277,200 | 222,600 |
| McLeod | 3,700 | 3,100 | 3,500 | 3,000 | 51.0 | 51.0 | 178,500 | 153,000 |
| Meeker | 7,400 | 5,300 | 7,100 | 5,000 | 37.0 | 41.0 | 262,700 | 205,000 |
| Morrison | 2,700 | 2,200 | 2,600 | 2,000 | 41.0 | 33.0 | 106,600 | 66,000 |
| Renville | 8,000 | 6,600 | 7,800 | 5,400 | 54.0 | 52.0 | 421,200 | 280,800 |
| Scott | 1,000 | -- | 900 | -- | 52.0 | -- | 46,800 | -- |
| Sibley | 3,800 | 3,000 | 3,700 | 2,900 | 54.0 | 52.0 | 199,800 | 150,800 |
| Stearns | 12,300 | 10,700 | 11,800 | 10,300 | 37.0 | 30.0 | 436,600 | 309,000 |
| Todd | 9,200 | 7,500 | 9,000 | 7,300 | 41.0 | 32.0 | 369,000 | 233,600 |
| Wright | 6,600 | 5,800 | 6,400 | 5,500 | 37.0 | 35.0 | 236,800 | 192,500 |
| Combined Counties | 3,300 | 2,600 | 3,100 | 2,300 | 26.7 | 27.2 | 82,800 | 62,600 |
| Central | 66,000 | 54,700 | 63,600 | 51,300 | 42.2 | 38.3 | 2,681,000 | 1,965,700 |
| Chisago | 1,000 | 800 | 900 | 800 | 42.0 | 40.0 | 37,800 | 32,000 |
| Isanti | 1,400 | 1,700 | 1,300 | 1,600 | 38.0 | 33.0 | 49,400 | 52,800 |
| Kanabec | 4,000 | 3,600 | 3,700 | 3,500 | 43.0 | 34.0 | 159,100 | 119,000 |
| Mille Lacs | -- | 700 | -- | 700 | -- | 28.0 | -- | 19,600 |
| Pine | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,400 | 1,500 | 34.0 | 27.0 | 47,600 | 40,500 |
| Combined Counties | 5,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,000 | 33.4 | 31.1 | 140,200 | 124,300 |
| East Central | 13,100 | 12,600 | 11,500 | 12,100 | 37.7 | 32.1 | 434,100 | 388,200 |

1/ Data published in combined counties or districts to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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**SPRING WHEAT: Acreage, Yield, and Production,
by County and District, Minnesota, 2006-07 (continued)**

| County and District 1/ | Planted Acreage | | Harvested Acreage | | Yield Per Harvested Acreage | | Production | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|------|---------------------|------------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| | ----- Acres ----- | | ----- Acres ----- | | ----- Bushels ----- | | ----- Bushels ----- | |
| Cottonwood | 1,200 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 47.0 | 51.0 | 51,700 | 51,000 |
| Lincoln | 15,800 | 11,700 | 14,900 | 11,500 | 50.0 | 49.0 | 745,000 | 563,500 |
| Lyon | 4,900 | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 49.0 | 53.0 | 225,400 | 238,500 |
| Murray | -- | 700 | -- | 600 | -- | 42.0 | -- | 25,200 |
| Pipestone | 2,200 | 1,800 | 2,100 | 1,600 | 45.0 | 48.0 | 94,500 | 76,800 |
| Redwood | 2,800 | 2,100 | 2,700 | 2,000 | 53.0 | 47.0 | 143,100 | 94,000 |
| Combined Counties | 1,900 | 900 | 1,900 | 800 | 42.9 | 44.5 | 81,600 | 35,600 |
| Southwest | 28,800 | 22,900 | 27,300 | 22,000 | 49.1 | 49.3 | 1,341,300 | 1,084,600 |
| Brown | 2,300 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,100 | 44.0 | 52.0 | 96,800 | 109,200 |
| Le Sueur | 2,000 | 1,200 | 1,900 | 1,100 | 56.0 | 50.0 | 106,400 | 55,000 |
| Nicollet | 1,300 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,100 | 59.0 | 55.0 | 70,800 | 60,500 |
| Rice | -- | 800 | -- | 700 | -- | 54.0 | -- | 37,800 |
| Steele | -- | 800 | -- | 800 | -- | 61.0 | -- | 48,800 |
| Combined Counties | 3,800 | 1,800 | 3,700 | 1,800 | 55.8 | 50.8 | 206,600 | 91,500 |
| South Central | 9,400 | 8,000 | 9,000 | 7,600 | 53.4 | 53.0 | 480,600 | 402,800 |
| Combined Districts | 4,700 | 4,300 | 4,100 | 4,000 | 50.4 | 46.0 | 206,600 | 184,000 |
| Minnesota | 1,700,000 | 1,700,000 | 1,650,000 | 1,650,000 | 47.0 | 47.0 | 77,550,000 | 77,550,000 |

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U.S. CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 4 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on June 1, 2008. The inventory was 4 percent below June 1, 2007, and 3 percent below June 1, 2006. **Placements** in feedlots during May totaled 1.90 million, 12 percent below 2007, and slightly below 2006. Net placements were 1.82 million head. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 340,000, 600-699 pounds were 350,000, 700-799 pounds were 564,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 645,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.14 million, 3 percent above 2007 but 1 percent below 2006. **Other disappearance** totaled 80,000 during May, 19 percent below 2007, and 30 percent below 2006.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States, 2007-2008 1/**

| State | June 1, 2007 | May 1, 2008 | June 1, 2008 | | |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | | Number | as % of 2007 | as % of May |
| | 1,000 Head | 1,000 Head | 1,000 Head | Percent | Percent |
| AZ | 340 | 370 | 365 | 107 | 99 |
| CA | 555 | 520 | 525 | 95 | 101 |
| CO | 1,020 | 950 | 920 | 90 | 97 |
| ID | 230 | 225 | 215 | 93 | 96 |
| IA | 520 | 530 | 520 | 100 | 98 |
| KS | 2,290 | 2,290 | 2,190 | 96 | 96 |
| NE | 2,290 | 2,380 | 2,250 | 98 | 95 |
| NM | 128 | 150 | 149 | 116 | 99 |
| OK | 340 | 305 | 305 | 90 | 100 |
| SD | 215 | 220 | 205 | 95 | 93 |
| TX | 2,870 | 2,690 | 2,690 | 94 | 100 |
| WA | 149 | 155 | 145 | 97 | 94 |
| Other States | 325 | 350 | 335 | 103 | 96 |
| US | 11,272 | 11,135 | 10,814 | 96 | 97 |

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

MAY EGG OUTPUT DOWN 3% IN STATE

Minnesota layers produced 237 million eggs during May 2008, versus 244 million in May 2007, a decrease of 3 percent. Laying flocks in the U.S. produced 7.57 billion eggs in May, down 1 percent from a year ago.

POULTRY STATS – MAY

| | | <u>2007</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|-----------------------------|------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Eggs Produced | MN | 244 Mil. | 237 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 7,622 Mil. | 7,574 Mil. |
| Number of Layers | MN | 10.6 Mil. | 10.2 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 342.5 Mil. | 340.3 Mil. |
| Eggs per 100 Layers | MN | 2,292 | 2,325 |
| | U.S. | 2,226 | 2,226 |
| CHICKENS: | | | |
| Hatched (May) | | | |
| Egg-Type | MN | 1.1 Mil. | 0.89 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 38.1 Mil. | 42.7 Mil. |
| Broiler-Type | U.S. | 835.8 Mil. | 823.7 Mil. |
| Eggs in Incubators (June 1) | | | |
| Egg-Type | WNC* | 10.0 Mil. | 9.8 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 38.6 Mil. | 37.6 Mil. |
| Broiler-Type | WNC* | 30.5 Mil. | 29.9 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 680.1 Mil. | 674.2 Mil. |
| TURKEYS: | | | |
| Hatched (May) | | | |
| | WNC* | 10.8 Mil. | 10.3 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 27.4 Mil. | 27.3 Mil. |
| Eggs in Incubators (June 1) | | | |
| | WNC* | 12.2 Mil. | 11.9 Mil. |
| | U.S. | 33.2 Mil. | 31.9 Mil. |

*West North Central Region (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North & South Dakota, Minnesota.)

MAY MILK OUTPUT DOWN 0.4% IN MINNESOTA

Totaling 757 million pounds, the state's May milk production was down 0.4 percent from May 2007.

Output per cow was 1,635 pounds in May, down 25 pounds from last May. Milk cows for May averaged 463,000 head, the same as April, but up 5,000 from a year ago.

May 2008 milk output in the 23 major states was 15.4 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from May 2007. Milk cows in the 23 states averaged 8.46 million head, up 162,000 from the previous year. At 1,816 pounds, production per cow was 25 pounds greater than May 2007.

APRIL/MAY 2008 MILK STATS

| State | Milk Production | | Percent of Previous Year | |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| | April | May | April | May |
| | Million Lbs. | | Percent | |
| California | 3,509 | 3,576 | 101.7 | 102.8 |
| Idaho | 1,005 | 1,067 | 107.4 | 109.2 |
| Minnesota | 732 | 757 | 99.9 | 99.6 |
| New York | 1,045 | 1,108 | 103.9 | 104.7 |
| Pennsylvania | 917 | 943 | 98.6 | 99.9 |
| Wisconsin | 2,027 | 2,139 | 100.7 | 101.8 |
| 23 States | 14,839 | 15,361 | 102.6 | 103.4 |

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