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Prices received by farmers, selected commodities, Oregon and United States

Commodity	Unit	Oregon			United States		
		Entire month		Preliminary	Entire month		Preliminary
		Feb 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Feb 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007
		Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Field crops							
Wheat, all	Bu	3.36	4.45	4.96	3.66	4.54	4.66
Wheat, winter	Bu	3.29	4.34	4.90	3.59	4.53	4.62
Wheat, spring	Bu	3.81	4.96	5.30	3.83	4.52	4.67
Barley	Bu	2.11	3.71	3.80	2.55	3.03	3.10
Oats	Bu	*	*	*	1.82	2.19	2.19
Hay, all (baled) ²	Tons	116.00	131.00	130.00	95.80	112.00	114.00
Hay, alfalfa (baled) ²	Tons	122.00	131.00	132.00	98.40	115.00	117.00
Hay, other (baled) ²	Tons	104.00	130.00	127.00	88.60	102.00	105.00
Potatoes	Cwt	5.35	6.55	6.75	6.76	7.06	7.28
Vegetables and fruits¹							
Onions, fresh ³	Cwt	-	-	-	8.04	26.50	25.60
Sweet corn, fresh ³	Cwt	-	-	-	35.00	27.90	21.70
Pears, fresh	Tons	-	-	-	392.00	561.00	534.00
Apples, fresh	Lb	-	-	-	0.206	0.287	0.285
Strawberries, fresh	Cwt	-	-	-	99.90	132.00	172.00
Livestock and livestock products							
Cows ⁴	Cwt	46.00	40.00	40.40	49.50	44.40	46.50
Steers and heifers	Cwt	106.00	86.60	88.60	97.60	89.80	90.70
Beef cattle ⁵	Cwt	88.00	72.60	74.10	92.40	84.30	85.80
Calves	Cwt	128.00	98.90	101.00	143.00	115.00	115.00
Lambs ⁶	Cwt	91.00	92.00	-	97.80	96.50	-
Sheep ⁶	Cwt	48.00	34.50	-	45.90	37.10	-
Milk, all ⁷	Cwt	14.90	15.70	15.80	13.50	14.50	14.70
Fat test percent	Pct	3.77	3.79	3.75	3.77	3.79	3.75
Eggs, all ^{1,2}	Doz	-	-	-	0.495	0.915	0.781
Eggs, market ^{1,2}	Doz	-	-	-	0.301	0.788	0.627

* Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms or insufficient sales reported to establish a price. ¹ Oregon not published monthly. ² Mid-month price. ³ F.O.B. shipping point. ⁴ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. ⁵ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined. ⁶ Entire month. ⁷ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

Index summary table

Indexes/Ratios	1910-14=100		1990-92=100		
	Feb 2006	Feb 2007	Feb 2006	Jan* 2007	Feb 2007
	United States				
Prices received	721	808	113	124	127
Prices paid	1,960	2,035	147	152	153
Ratio ¹	-	-	77	82	83
Parity Ratio ²	37	40	-	-	-
Oregon					
Commodity group					
All farm products	726	796	121	145	134
All crops	688	789	122	160	140
Livestock ³	849	818	116	111	112

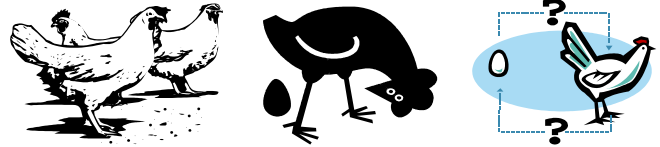
Feed price ratios: United States, February 2007

Feed price ratio ^{1 2}	2006	2007	
	Feb	Jan *	Feb
Broiler Feed	6.3	5.6	5.7
Market egg feed	5.9	11.7	8.6
Hog-corn	21.1	14.0	14.0
Milk-feed	2.93	2.42	2.32
Steer and heifer-corn	48.3	29.4	27.3
Turkey-feed	6.9	5.6	5.5

¹ Effective January 1995, prices of commercial prepared feeds are based on current US prices received for corn, soybeans, alfalfa hay, and all wheat.

² Feed price ratio definitions are available in the national release.

* Revised.



¹ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.

² Ratio of index of prices received to PPITW (1910-14=100)

³ Includes livestock and livestock products.

* Revised.

Farms and Land in Farms

In 2006, farms in Oregon were estimated at 39,300, a decrease of 700 farms from 2005. A farm is “any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the year.” Land in farms stayed steady at 17.1 million acres. Land in farms consists of agricultural land used for crops, pasture, or grazing. Also included is woodland and wasteland not actually under cultivation or used for pasture or grazing, provided it was part of the farm operator's total operation. Land in farms includes acres in the Conservation Reserve, Wetlands Reserve Programs, or other government programs.

The number of farms in the United States in 2006 is estimated at 2.09 million. Total land in farms, at 932.4 million acres, decreased 780 thousand acres, or 0.08 percent, from 2005. The average farm size was 446 acres. The decline in the number of farms and land in farms reflects a continuing consolidation in farming operations and diversion of agricultural land to nonagricultural uses.

Number of farms and land in farms, Oregon and the United States, 1992-2006¹

Year	Oregon			United States		
	Number of farms	Land in farms	Average size of farm	Number of farms	Land in farms	Average size of farm
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
1992	37.5	17,500	467	2,108	978,503	464
1993	37.5	17,500	467	2,202	968,845	440
1994	38.0	17,500	461	2,198	965,935	440
1995	38.5	17,500	455	2,196	962,515	438
1996	38.5	17,500	455	2,191	958,675	438
1997	39.0	17,500	449	2,191	956,010	436
1998	39.5	17,300	438	2,192	952,080	434
1999	40.0	17,300	433	2,187	948,460	434
2000	40.0	17,300	433	2,167	945,080	436
2001	40.0	17,200	430	2,149	942,070	438
2002	40.0	17,200	430	2,135	940,300	440
2003	40.0	17,200	430	2,127	938,650	441
2004	40.0	17,200	430	2,113	936,295	443
2005	40.0	17,100	428	2,099	933,210	445
2006	39.3	17,100	435	2,090	932,430	446

¹ A farm is defined as any place that sells or would normally sell \$1,000 worth of agricultural products or receives at least \$1,000 in farm program payments.



Economic sales classes: Number of farms and land in farms, Oregon and the United States, 2001-2006

Area	Year	\$1,000- \$9,999	\$10,000- \$99,999	\$100,000- \$249,999	\$250,000- \$499,999	\$500,000 and over	Total	
		Number of farms by economic sales class						
		<i>Farms</i>	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Farms</i>	
Oregon	2001	26,500	9,000	2,100	1,200	1,200	40,000	
United States	2001	1,189,920	621,490	176,290	87,400	73,530	2,148,630	
Oregon	2002	26,800	8,900	2,000	1,200	1,100	40,000	
United States	2002	1,201,840	604,570	168,820	86,550	73,580	2,135,360	
Oregon	2003	26,800	8,900	2,000	1,200	1,100	40,000	
United States	2003	1,199,270	600,540	167,220	86,550	73,280	2,126,860	
Oregon	2004	26,500	9,000	2,050	1,250	1,200	40,000	
United States	2004	1,181,190	599,280	167,030	88,980	76,490	2,112,970	
Oregon	2005	26,000	9,200	2,100	1,300	1,400	40,000	
United States	2005	1,166,320	596,040	167,080	89,840	79,410	2,098,690	
Oregon	2006	25,200	9,200	2,100	1,400	1,400	39,300	
United States	2006	1,153,910	597,350	166,220	90,960	81,350	2,089,790	
		Land in farms by economic sales class						
		<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	
Oregon	2001	1,700	4,500	3,700	3,400	3,900	17,200	
United States	2001	127,090	274,895	197,065	148,605	194,415	942,070	
Oregon	2002	1,700	4,500	3,700	3,400	3,900	17,200	
United States	2002	126,625	271,155	196,305	149,170	197,045	940,300	
Oregon	2003	1,700	4,500	3,700	3,400	3,900	17,200	
United States	2003	124,770	270,055	196,055	150,135	197,635	938,650	
Oregon	2004	1,600	4,600	3,700	3,400	3,900	17,200	
United States	2004	120,890	266,600	193,665	151,375	203,765	936,295	
Oregon	2005	1,500	4,400	3,600	3,400	4,200	17,100	
United States	2005	118,200	260,665	192,295	152,195	209,855	933,210	
Oregon	2006	1,500	4,300	3,600	3,400	4,300	17,100	
United States	2006	114,685	258,890	191,350	154,080	213,425	932,430	

Trout: Number of operations and value of fish, selected states, and United States 2005-2006

State	Number of operations						Value of sales and distribution			
	Total		Selling trout		Distributing trout ¹		Total fish sales		Value of distributed fish	
	2005 ²	2006	2005 ²	2006	2005 ²	2006	2005 ²	2006	2005 ²	2006
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
OR ³	48	42	18	13	31	31	803	331	6,898	7,393
CA ³	33	35	15	15	21	24	6,077	5,573	8,127	10,845
ID ³	42	43	26	26	17	21	35,387	41,434	2,993	3,571
WA ³	69	65	17	12	54	53	4,124	4,007	6,633	6,698
US ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	69,188	74,855	73,710	79,400
US ⁵	602	604	346	345	281	296	74,325	*	76,304	81,084

¹ Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, or recreational purposes. ² Revised. ³ State data excludes the value of eggs. ⁴ Excludes the value of eggs. ⁵ Includes the value of eggs. Complete report available at: <<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/current/TrouProd/>> * Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Chickens and eggs: Inventory, value and production, Oregon and United States, 2005-2006 ¹

Year	December 1			Dec. 1, previous year thru Nov 30		
	Number	Value per head	Total value	Avg. number of layers	Eggs per layer	Total egg production
	Oregon					
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Million eggs</i>
2005	3,832	1.70	6,514	2,916	282	823
2006	3,383	2.30	7,781	2,710	285	772
	United States					
2005	453,301	2.52	1,140,696	343,792	262	90,027
2006	453,036	2.60	1,175,905	346,078	263	90,877

¹ Excludes commercial broilers.

Oregon Honey Production Up in 2006



Oregon honey production increased 35 percent in 2006, while the number of honey producing colonies increased 18 percent. Yield per colony increased six pounds over last year. Average price of Oregon honey, at \$1.11 per pound, increased four cents from 2005. Nationally, honey production was down 11 percent in 2006. Much of the national decrease can be attributed to lower yields in California, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Yields decreased 23 pounds per colony, 17 pounds per colony, and 32 pounds per colony respectively. The average US price of honey, at \$1.04 per pound, increased 12.4 cents from 2005.

Honey: Number of colonies, production and value, selected states, 2005-2006¹

State	Honey producing colonies		Yield per colony		Production		Average price per pound ²	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>Cents</i>
Oregon	39	46	42	48	1,638	2,208	107	111
California	400	380	75	52	30,000	19,760	84	98
Idaho	95	95	37	44	3,515	4,180	80	86
Washington	51	49	55	52	2,805	2,548	102	119
United States	2,413	2,392	72.4	64.7	174,818	154,846	91.8	104.2

¹ For producers with five or more colonies.

² Prices weighted by sales.

Complete report available at: < <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/current/Hone/> >

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