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Pennsylvania's December Grain Stocks

HARRISBURG, PA, Jan 12, 2007 -- Pennsylvania's corn stored in all positions on December 1, 2006 was 69.3 million bushels, down 6 percent from December 1, 2005, according to the Pennsylvania office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service. On-farm corn stocks amounted to 61 million bushels, while off-farm stocks were 8.3 million bushels. Sorghum stored off farms totaled 41 thousand bushels. Wheat stored off farms totaled 8.0 million bushels. Soybeans stored off farms totaled 3.2 million bushels. Barley stored off farms was 565 thousand bushels. Oats stored in all positions were 4.6 million bushels, 3.9 million on farm and 727 thousand off farm.

Pennsylvania's on-farm stocks of sorghum, wheat, soybeans and barley are not published separately but instead are included with an unallocated National total. Hay stocks on-farm on December 1, 2006 was estimated at 3.5 million tons, up 205 percent from a year ago.

On December 1, 2006, there were 169 off-farm storage facilities (mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors) with a total grain storage capacity of 31.5 million bushels, up 1 percent from December 1, 2005. On December 1, 2006, on-farm storage capacity was 130 million bushels, unchanged from December 1, 2005.

Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2006 totaled 8.93 billion bushels, down 9 percent from December 1, 2005. Of the total stocks, 5.63 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 11 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.30 billion bushels, are down 5 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2006 indicated disappearance is 3.57 billion bushels, compared with 3.41 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Soybeans stored in all positions on December 1, 2006 totaled 2.70 billion bushels, up 8 percent from December 1, 2005. Soybean stocks stored on farms totaled 1.46 billion bushels, up 9 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 1.24 billion bushels, are up 7 percent from last December.

All wheat stored in all positions on December 1, 2006 totaled 1.31 billion bushels, down 8 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 403 million bushels, down 21 percent from last December. Off-farm stocks, at 911 million bushels, are down 1 percent from a year ago.

Barley stocks in all positions on December 1, 2006 totaled 173 million bushels, down 17 percent from December 1, 2005. On-farm stocks are estimated at 83.7 million bushels, 19 percent below a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 89.1 million bushels, are 15 percent below December 2005.

Stocks of all hay stored on farms totaled 96.4 million tons on December 1, 2006, down 8 percent from a year ago. The United States on-farm storage capacity totaled 11.6 billion bushels on December 1, 2006, up 1 percent from December 1, 2005. Capacity of off-farm commercial grain storage totaled 8.77 billion bushels in the United States on December 1, 2006, up 3 percent from December 1, 2005.

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