

## WHEAT SEEDINGS

**WINTER WHEAT** seeded in SOUTH CAROLINA during the fall of 2009 for the 2010 crop is estimated at 150,000 acres. This is 9 percent below the crop of 2009, planted during the fall of 2008 and 32 percent below the 2008 crop year.

**WINTER WHEAT:** Planted area for harvest in the UNITED STATES in 2010 is estimated at 37.1 million acres, down 14 percent

from 2009 and the lowest since 1913. Seeding began last August and by mid-September was behind the 5-year average. The late row crop harvest and wet weather delayed planting in most States. The winter wheat crop condition at the end of November was rated 64 percent good to excellent compared with 65 percent the previous year.

**Winter Wheat: Area Seeded by Selected State and United States, 2008-2010**

Selected States	2008	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
	(Thou. Acres)			
Alabama	240	220	180	82
Georgia	480	340	200	59
Kansas	9,600	9,300	8,600	92
North Carolina	820	700	600	86
South Carolina	220	165	150	91
United States	46,307	43,311	37,097	86



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# FARM FACTS FOR SOUTH CAROLINA



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## CHICKEN AND EGG PRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA'S laying flocks produced 97 million eggs during November, up 4 percent from last year. Production totaled 75 million table eggs and 22 million hatching eggs. The number of layers averaged 4,581,000 birds, up 4 percent from 4,415,000 a year ago. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,117 eggs, compared with 2,106 in 2008.

UNITED STATES egg production totaled 7.55 billion during November 2009. Production included 6.52 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 960 million were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2009 averaged 337 million, down slightly from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,238 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2008.

### Average Layers and Egg Production, NOVEMBER, 2009

Selected States	Average No. of Layers	Eggs Produced	Eggs per 100 Layers
	Thousand	Million	Number
Alabama	9,059	171	1,888
Florida	9,968	238	2,388
Georgia	17,629	379	2,150
North Carolina	13,017	269	2,067
<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>4,581</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>2,117</b>
United States	337,309	7,549	2,238

## BROILER HATCHERY PRODUCTION

During the month of November, SOUTH CAROLINA'S broiler hatcheries produced 19.3 million chicks, up 4 percent from last year's 18.6 million chicks.

THE UNITED STATES broiler-type chicks hatched during November 2009 totaled 704 million, down slightly from November 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 625 million on December 1, 2009, down 1 percent from a year earlier.

### CHICKS HATCHED by Commercial Hatcheries

Flock Type and Area	November 2009	Cumulative 2009
	Thousand	
<i>Broiler Type:</i>		
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>	<b>19,349</b>	<b>217,668</b>
United States	704,208	8,307,770
<i>Egg Type:</i>		
United States	34,897	422,675

## COTTON GINNINGS

**GINNINGS: As of January 1, 2007-2009, States and United States**

State	Running Bales Ginned		
	2007	2008	2009
All Cotton			
Alabama	387,550	439,800	283,300
Arizona	370,650	308,600	343,950
Arkansas	1,807,150	1,235,950	793,250
Georgia	1,546,300	1,502,000	1,496,300
Louisiana	695,800	279,600	336,650
Mississippi	1,271,150	656,100	395,400
North Carolina	763,100	731,250	728,450
<b>South Carolina</b>	<b>147,800</b>	<b>227,950</b>	<b>190,400</b>
Tennessee	586,600	520,950	485,150
Texas	5,612,750	3,779,100	4,215,850
United States	15,700,350	11,572,250	10,819,300

## GRAIN STOCKS

**SOYBEAN** stocks stored in off-farm positions on December 1, 2009 totaled 3.72 million bushels, compared to 5.09 million bushels stored December 1, 2008. **CORN** stocks stored in off-farm facilities totaled 3.23 million bushels, as of December 1, 2009, compared to 2.80 million bushels stored off-farm on December 1, 2008. **WHEAT** stocks stored off the farm totaled 1.59 million bushels on December 1, 2009 compared to 1.38 million bushels stored off the farm a year ago.

### S.C. GRAIN STOCKS, December 1, 2009

Grain	On-Farm	Off-Farm 1/	Total Stocks
-----Thousand Bushels-----			
Soybeans	*	3,716	*
All Wheat	*	1,588	*
Corn	*	3,229	*
Oats	*	*	*

### U.S. GRAIN STOCKS, December 1, 2009

Grain	On-Farm	Off-Farm 1/	Total Stocks
-----Thousand Bushels-----			
Soybeans	1,231,500	1,105,180	2,336,680
All Wheat	558,800	1,206,418	1,765,218
Corn	7,445,000	3,488,676	10,933,676
Oats	43,200	67,262	110,462

\* "Off farms unallocated" includes State data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations; "on farms unallocated" includes minor producing States' data not published separately. 1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.

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**COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION**

**COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: Selected States, and United States, November 2009 1/**

Selected States	November 2008	October 2009	November 2009	November 2009 as % of 2/	
				November 2008	October 2009
	Million Pounds			Percent	
Florida	7.6	9.9	8.2	109	83
Georgia	12.2	11.3	10.2	84	90
Kansas	377.0	445.1	404.3	107	91
Nebraska	574.4	660.9	579.1	101	88
North Carolina	207.5	236.8	224.3	108	95
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>	19.0	20.8	19.8	104	95
Texas	360.0	424.7	374.8	104	88
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>3,869.5</b>	<b>*4,391.0</b>	<b>3,962.8</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>90</b>

\*Revised. 1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. 2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.

**COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: United States, November 2009 1/**

Class	Nov 2008	Oct 2009	Nov 2009	November 2009 % of 2/	
				November 2008	October 2009
	Million Pounds			Percent	
Beef	1,959.3	*2,275.3	2,015.3	103	89
Veal	11.3	12.2	11.8	105	96
Pork	1,886.1	2,089.1	1,921.4	102	92
Lamb and Mutton	12.8	14.3	14.4	112	100
<b>Total Red Meat 3/</b>	<b>3,869.5</b>	<b>*4,391.0</b>	<b>3,962.8</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>90</b>

\*Revised. 1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data. 3/ Totals may not equal sum of the parts due to rounding.

**CROP PRODUCTION**

**CROPS: Planted and Harvested Acreage, Yield and Production, SOUTH CAROLINA and UNITED STATES, as of December 1, 2009**

Crop	Planted Acres (000)		Harvested Acres (000)		Yield per Harvested Acres		Total Production (000)	
	2008	Indicated 2009	2008	Indicated 2009	2008	Indicated 2009	2008	Indicated 2009
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>								
Corn for Grain .....Bu.	355	335	315	320	65.0	111.0	20,475	35,520
Cotton, Upland.....Lb. & Bales	135.0	115.0	134.0	114.0	881	842	246	200.0
Hay, All .....Ton	--	--	330	350	1.90	2.40	627	840
Oats .....Bu.	33	30	19	15	64.0	55.0	1,216	825
Peanuts for Nuts .....Lb.	71.0	50.0	68.0	48.0	3,900	3,100	265,200	148,800
Sorghum for Grain .....Bu.	12	--	8	--	46.0	--	368	--
Soybeans for Beans ..... Bu.	540	590	530	570	32.0	25.0	16,960	14,250
Tobacco, Flue-Cured .....Lb.	--	--	19.0	18.5	2,100	2,100	39,900	38,850
Tobacco, All.....Lb.	--	--	19.0	18.5	2,100	2,100	39,900	38,850
Wheat, Winter ..... Bu.	220	165	205	150	54.0	47.0	11,070	7,050
<b>UNITED STATES</b>								
Corn for Grain .....Bu.	85,982	86,482	78,570	79,630	153.9	165.2	12,091,648	13,151,062
Cotton, Upland ..... Lb. & Bales	9,297.0	9,007.5	7,400.0	7,552.0	803	763	12,384.5	12,011.0
Hay, All .....Ton	--	--	60,152	59,755	2.43	2.47	146,270	147,442
Oats ..... Bu.	3,247	3,404	1,400	1,379	63.7	67.5	89,135	93,081
Peanuts for Nuts .....Lb.	1,534.0	1,116.0	1,507.0	1,081.0	3,426	3,412	5,162,400	3,688,350
Sorghum for Grain .....Bu.	8,284	6,633	7,271	5,520	65.0	69.4	472,342	382,983
Soybeans for Beans ..... Bu.	75,718	77,451	74,681	76,407	39.7	44.0	2,967,007	3,361,028
Tobacco, Flue-Cured .....Lb.	--	--	223.0	224	2,239	2,350	499,220	526,450
Tobacco, All .....Lb.	--	--	354.5	354.1	2,258	2,325	800,504	823,290
Wheat, Winter .....Bu.	46,307	43,311	39,608	34,485	47.1	44.2	1,867,333	1,522,718

**HOG INVENTORY**

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2009 was 65.8 million head. This was down 2 percent from December 1, 2008, and down 2 percent from September 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.85 million head, was down 3 percent from last year, and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.0 million head, was down 2 percent from last year and down 2 percent from last quarter.

The September-November 2009 pig crop, at 28.8 million head, was up slightly from 2008 but down 2 percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down 2 percent from 2008 but down 6 percent from 2007. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 51 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.70 for the September-November 2009 period, compared to 9.50 last year. Pigs saved per

litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.80 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.95 million sows farrow during the December 2009 – February 2010 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2009, and down 4 percent from 2008. Intended farrowings for March-May 2010, at 2.94 million sows, are down 3 percent from 2009 and down 4 percent from 2008.

Hogs and pigs on SOUTH CAROLINA farms as of December 1, 2009, are estimated at 225,000 head, down 8 percent from December 1, 2008. Of the total hog inventory December 1, 14,000 were breeding hogs, down 22 percent from 2008 and 211,000 were market hogs, down 7 percent from a year earlier.

**HOGS AND PIGS: Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory by State and United States, December 1, 2008 and 2009 1/**

State	Breeding		Percent of Previous Year	Market		Percent of Previous Year	Total		Percent of Previous Year
	2008	2009		2008	2009		2008	2009	
Arkansas	90	65	72	190	135	71	280	200	71
Colorado	150	150	100	580	570	98	730	720	99
Illinois	490	480	98	3,860	3,870	100	4,350	4,350	100
Indiana	280	280	100	3,270	3,370	103	3,550	3,650	103
Iowa	1,070	1,020	95	18,830	18,280	97	19,900	19,300	97
Kansas	165	180	109	1,575	1,630	103	1,740	1,810	104
Michigan	110	110	100	920	970	105	1,030	1,080	105
Minnesota	580	560	97	6,920	6,840	99	7,500	7,400	99
Missouri	370	360	97	2,780	2,740	99	3,150	3,100	98
Nebraska	380	370	97	2,970	2,780	94	3,350	3,150	94
North Carolina	980	930	95	8,720	8,770	101	9,700	9,700	100
Ohio	170	165	97	1,770	1,855	105	1,940	2,020	104
Oklahoma	400	410	103	2,000	1,900	95	2,400	2,310	96
Pennsylvania	90	100	111	1,030	1,080	105	1,120	1,180	105
South Carolina	18	14	78	227	211	93	245	225	92
South Dakota	155	145	94	1,125	1,025	91	1,280	1,170	91
Texas	100	60	60	1,020	710	70	1,120	770	69
Wisconsin	40	50	125	320	310	97	360	360	100
<b>United States</b>	<b>6,062</b>	<b>5,850</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>61,087</b>	<b>59,957</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>67,148</b>	<b>65,807</b>	<b>98</b>

1/ May not add due to rounding. 2/ Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.