

SMALL GRAINS

Based on the September 1 Agricultural Survey, **SOUTH CAROLINA'S** 2009 production of wheat and oats is down from last year. This year's **WHEAT** production is estimated at 7.1 million bushels, down 36 percent from last year's 11.1 million bushels. The 2009 acres harvested at 150,000, is 55,000 acres below a year ago; the average yield per acre of 47 bushels is down 7 bushels from 2008.

The planted acres are 165,000, down 55,000 acres from last year's 220,000. The 2009 production of **OATS**, at 825,000 bushels is down 32 percent from a year ago. This year's harvested acres, at 15,000, are down 21 percent from last year and the average yield of 55 bushels is down 9 bushels from 2008. The planted acres are 30,000, down 3,000 acres from a year ago.

Planted and Harvested Acreage, Yield and Production, South Carolina and United States, 2008 and September 1, 2009

Crop	Planted Acres		Harvested Acres		Yield		Production	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Acres		1,000 Acres		Bushels		1,000 Bushels	
SOUTH CAROLINA								
Oats	33	30	19	15	64.0	55.0	1,216	825
Winter Wheat	220	165	205	150	54.0	47.0	11,070	7,050
UNITED STATES								
Oats	3,247	3,404	1,400	1,379	63.7	67.6	89,135	93,276
Winter Wheat	46,307	43,311	39,608	34,485	47.1	44.2	1,867,333	1,522,718

1/ Includes area planted the preceding fall.



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EGG PRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA'S laying flocks produced 96 million eggs during August, down 1 percent from last year. Production totaled 73 million table eggs and 23 million hatching eggs. The number of layers averaged 4,516,000 birds, up 5 percent from 4,298,000 a year ago. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,126 eggs, compared with 2,257 in 2008.

UNITED STATES egg production totaled 7.59 billion during August 2009. Production included 6.51 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 72 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2009 averaged 332 million, down 1 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,284 eggs, up 1 percent from August 2008.

Average Layers and Egg Production, Selected States and U. S.

Selected States	Average No. of Layers	Eggs Produced	Eggs per 100 Layers
	Thousand	Million	Number
Alabama	9,006	176	1,954
Florida	9,705	220	2,267
Georgia	17,210	372	2,162
North Carolina	12,578	263	2,091
South Carolina	4,516	96	2,126
United States	332,296	7,590	2,284

BROILER HATCHERY PRODUCTION

During the month of August, SOUTH CAROLINA'S broiler hatcheries produced 20.7 million chicks, up 5 percent from last year's 19.7 million chicks.

THE UNITED STATES broiler-type chicks hatched during August 2009 totaled 778 million, down 3 percent from August 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 618 million on September 1, 2009, down 3 percent from a year earlier.

CHICKS HATCHED by Type, SC and U. S.,

Flock Type and Area	August 2009	Cumulative 2009
	Thousand	
<i>Broiler Type:</i>		
SOUTH CAROLINA	20,712	159,237
United States	777,996	6,135,176
<i>Egg Type:</i>		
United States	37,160	310,371

COTTON GINNINGS

GINNINGS: As of September 15, 2007-2009, States and United States

State	Running Bales Ginned		
	2007	2008	2009
All Cotton			
Alabama	4,300	0	0
Arizona 1/	12,900		4,250
Arkansas 1/	12,050		0
Georgia 1/		1,250	0
Louisiana	850	4,450	5,850
Mississippi	4,150	0	
Missouri	37,800	0	0
North Carolina 1/		0	0
South Carolina	0	0	0
Tennessee 1/	7,850	0	0
Texas	293,600	465,050	164,400
United States	374,650	475,550	174,550

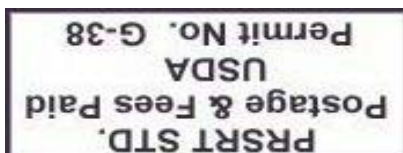
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TURKEYS RAISED

Turkeys: Number Raised by State and U.S., 2008-2009

State	Number Raised		2009 as % of 2008
	2008	2009	
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
AR	31,000	28,000	90
CA	16,000	15,000	94
IN	14,500	14,500	100
IA	9,000	(D)	(D)
MN	48,000	45,500	95
MO	21,000	21,000	100
NC	40,000	37,500	94
OH	6,000	5,200	87
PA	11,500	9,000	78
SC	12,500	11,700	94
SD	4,700	4,500	96
UT	4,100	3,300	80
VA	18,000	16,400	91
WV	3,800	3,200	84
US	273,088	249,914	92

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.



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COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION

HOG INVENTORY

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: Selected States, and United States, August 2008-2009 1/

Selected States	August 2008	July 2009	August 2009	August 2009 as % of 2/	
				August 2008	July 2009
	----- Million Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Florida	9.1	9.1	9.0	98	98
Georgia	13.7	11.2	9.7	71	87
Kansas	467.0	476.2	450.6	96	95
Nebraska	624.9	624.9	593.6	95	95
North Carolina	195.3	202.5	198.2	101	98
South Carolina	19.8	18.8	18.2	92	97
Texas	441.6	442.2	430.7	98	97
UNITED STATES	4,095.2	*4,123.5	4,076.6	100	99

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

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: United States, August 2009 1/

Class	Aug 2008	Jul 2009	Aug 2009	August 2009 % of	
				August 2008	July 2009
	----- Million Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Beef	2,266.8	2,270.5	2,184.2	96	96
Veal	11.2	10.8	10.6	94	97
Pork	1,803.9	1,828.3	1,868.4	104	102
Lamb and Mutton	13.3	13.9	13.3	100	95
Total Red Meat 3/	4,095.2	*4,123.5	4,076.6	100	99

* Revised. 1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Totals may not equal sum of the parts due to rounding.

POULTRY SLAUGHTER

The Preliminary total live weight of poultry inspected during August 2009 was 4.70 billion pounds, down 4 percent from 4.87 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.03 billion pounds, down 3 percent from August 2008.

Mature chickens, at 70.7 million pounds, were down 7 percent from the previous year. Young chickens slaughtered during August 2009 averaged 5.56 pounds per bird, down slightly from August 2008.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, Pounds Certified, Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, August, 2009

Selected States	Number Slaughtered	Live Weight	Average Live Weight	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified 1/	Post-Mortem Condemnations	
					Carcass and Parts	Percent 2/
	Thou.	Thou. Lbs	Pounds	Thou. Lbs	Percent	
Alabama	91,010	501,992	5.52	375,809	2,522	0.67
Georgia	101,576	532,867	5.25	400,990	2,421	0.60
North Carolina	59,219	411,378	6.95	317,209	3,268	1.02
South Carolina	24,774	154,315	6.23	115,546	858	0.74
United States 3/	725,750	4,033,049	5.56	3,007,142	24,268	0.80

1/ Ready-to-cook weights. 2/ Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations. 3/ States with no data printed are included in the US total. Data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations or no active slaughter facility exists in the State.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2009 was 66.6 million head. This was down 2 percent from September 1, 2008, but up 1 percent from June 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.87 million head, was down 3 percent from last year, and down 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.8 million head, was down 2 percent from last year but up 1 percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2009 pig crop, at 228.8 million head, was down 2 percent from 2008 and down 1 percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down 4 percent from 2008 and down 5 percent from 2007. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the

breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.70 for the June-August 2009 period, compared to 9.51 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 2.94 million sows farrow during the September-November 2009 quarter, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings in 2008, and down 8 percent from 2007. Intended farrowings for December 2009-February 2010, at 2.93 million sows, are down 3 percent from 2009, and down 5 percent from 2008.

The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 46 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 43 percent last year.

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

State	Breeding		Percent of Previous Year	Market		Percent of Previous Year	Total		Percent of Previous Year
	2008	2009		2008	2009		2008	2009	
Arkansas	95	80	84	220	185	84	315	265	84
Colorado	150	150	100	600	580	97	750	730	97
Illinois	470	470	100	3,930	3,780	96	4,400	4,250	97
Indiana	280	280	100	3,320	3,320	100	3,600	3,600	100
Iowa	1,070	1,010	94	18,730	18,590	99	19,800	19,600	99
Kansas	170	160	94	1,640	1,600	98	1,810	1,760	97
Michigan	100	110	110	950	940	99	1,050	1,050	100
Minnesota	570	560	98	7,030	6,740	96	7,600	7,300	96
Missouri	375	350	93	2,775	2,700	97	3,150	3,050	97
Nebraska	375	380	101	2,925	2,970	102	3,300	3,350	102
North Carolina	1,000	980	98	9,300	9,020	97	10,300	10,000	97
Ohio	165	160	97	1,755	1,880	107	1,920	2,040	106
Oklahoma	400	410	103	2,060	1,950	95	2,460	2,360	96
Pennsylvania	85	90	106	1,035	1,020	99	1,120	1,110	99
South Dakota	150	150	100	1,210	1,130	93	1,360	1,280	94
Texas	105	70	67	1,015	940	93	1,120	1,010	90
Wisconsin	45	45	100	335	295	88	380	340	89
United States 2/	6,061	5,874	97	62,135	60,752	98	68,196	66,626	98

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

