

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: Selected States, and United States, July 2006 1/

Selects States	Aug 2005	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Aug 2006 as % of 2/	
				Aug 2005	Ju1 2006
	----- Million Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Florida	4.8	5.3	6.3	132	120
Georgia	13.0	11.3	13.5	104	119
Kansas	546.1	523.0	583.7	107	112
Nebraska	655.6	607.7	664.3	101	109
North Carolina	191.1	168.9	194.1	102	115
SOUTH CAROLINA	20.2	18.9	21.4	106	113
Texas	457.4	415.9	473.3	103	114
UNITED STATES	4100.4	3782.0	4244.7	104	112

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

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: United States, August 2006 1/

Class	Aug 2005	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Aug 06 % of	
				Aug 2005	Jul 2006
	----- Million Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Beef	2,319	2,204	2,442	105	111
Veal	13.7	12.0	14.2	104	118
Pork	1,752	1,553	1,774	101	114
Lamb and Mutton	15.4	13.2	14.6	95	110
Total Red Meat	4,100	3,782	4,245	104	112

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.



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EGG PRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA'S laying flocks produced 106 million eggs during August, up 3 percent from last year. Production totaled 85 million table eggs and 21 million hatching eggs. The number of layers averaged 4,958,000 birds, up 3 percent from 4,825,000 a year ago. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,138 eggs, compared with 2,135 in August 2005.

UNITED STATES egg production totaled 7.64 billion during August 2006, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.56 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 65 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2006 averaged 341 million, up slightly from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,239 eggs, up 1 percent from August 2005.

HENS AND PULLETS OF LAYING AGE, August 2005-06

Selected States	Average No. of Layers	Eggs Produced	Eggs per 100 Layers
	Thousand	Million	Number
Alabama	8615	169	1,962
Florida	10,498	241	2,296
Georgia	18,818	393	2,088
North Carolina	10,945	224	2,047
South Carolina	4,958	106	2,138
United States	341,007	7,635	2,239

BROILER HATCHERY PRODUCTION

During the month of August SOUTH CAROLINA'S broiler hatcheries produced 19.5 million chicks, up 5 percent from last year's 18.6 million chicks.

THE UNITED STATES broiler-type chicks hatched during August 2006 totaled 809 million, down slightly from August 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 656 million on September 1, 2006, up slightly from a year earlier.

CHICKS HATCHED by Commercial Hatcheries

Flock Type and Area	August 2006	Jan-Aug 2006
	Thousand	
<i>Broiler Type:</i>		
SOUTH CAROLINA	19,492	150,245
United States	809,284	6,349,465
<i>Egg Type:</i>		
United States	34,892	288,754

GRAIN STOCKS

CORN stocks stored in off-farm facilities in SOUTH CAROLINA on September 1 totaled 722,000 bushels, down 13 percent from a year ago. **ALL WHEAT** stored off-farm totaled 2.1 million bushels. Off-farm **OATS** stocks were 73,000 bushels.

S.C. GRAIN STOCKS, September 1, 2006

Grain	On-Farm	Off-Farm	Total Stocks
	----- Thousand Bushels -----		
Soybeans	*	*	*
All Wheat	*	2,105	*
Corn	*	722	*
Oats	*	73	*

* Not published due to agency guidelines.

U.S. GRAIN STOCKS, September 1, 2006

Grain	On-Farm	Off-Farm	Total Stocks
	----- Thousand Bushels -----		
Soybeans	176,300	272,488	448,788
All Wheat	572,020	1,171,021	1,743,041
Corn	749,500	1,221,072	1,970,572
Oats	59,900	39,328	99,228

U. S. DAIRY PRODUCTS- AUGUST, 2006

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 787million pounds, 3.9 percent above August 2005 and 2.5 percent above July 2006.

American type cheese production totaled 318 million pounds, 2.0 percent above August 2005 but 3.0 percent below July 2006.

Butter production was 89.2 million pounds, 4.3 percent below August 2005 and 5.7 percent below July 2006.

Frozen dessert: (comparisons with August 2005)
Ice cream, Regular (hard) --- 84.5 million gallons, down 5.2 percent.

Ice cream, Lowfat (total) --- 37.6 million gallons, up 5.5 percent.

Ice cream, Nonfat (hard) --- 1.35 million gallons, down 29.2 percent.

Sherbert (hard) --- 4.72 million gallons down 16.1 percent.

Frozen Yogurt (total) ---6.87 million gallons, up 11.8 percent.

Nonfat dry milk for human food: (compared with August 2005) --- 74.4 million pounds, down 14.2 percent.

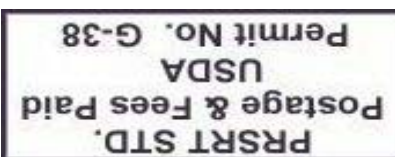
--- 143 million pounds, up 2.2 percent.

Dry whey products: (comparisons with August 2005)
Dry whey, human --- 83.5 million pounds, up 4.0 percent.

Dry whey, animal --- 5.49 million pounds, down 23.5 percent.
Dry whey, total --- 89.0 million pounds, up 1.8 percent.

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SMALL GRAINS

Based on the September 1 Agricultural Survey, **SOUTH CAROLINA'S** 2006 production of wheat and oats is down from last year. This year's **WHEAT** production is estimated at 6.15 million bushels, 28 percent below last year's 8.58 million bushels. The 2006 acres harvested at 123,000, is 42,000 acres below a year ago; the average

yield per acre of 50 bushels is down 2 bushels from 2005. The 2006 production of **OATS**, at 990,000 bushels is down 16 percent from a year ago. This year's harvested acres, at 18,000, are down 10 percent from last year and the average yield of 55 bushels is down 4 bushels from 2005.

Planted and Harvested Acreage, Yield and Production, South Carolina and United States, 2005 and October 1, 2006

Crop	Planted Acres (000) 1		Harvested Acres (000)		Yield per Harvested Acre		Production (000)	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
SOUTH CAROLINA								
Oats	35	33	20	18	59.0	55.0	1,180	990
Winter Wheat	170	130	165	123	52.0	50.0	8,580	6,150
UNITED STATES								
Oats	4,246	4,168	1,823	1,576	63.0	59.5	114,878	93,764
Winter Wheat	40,433	40,575	33,794	31,117	44.4	41.7	1,499,129	1,298,081

1/ Includes area planted the preceding fall.

PECAN PRODUCTION

Based on October 1 2006 conditions, **SOUTH CAROLINA'S** Pecan crop is expected to total 1,500,000 pounds, down from 2,200,000 last year. Growers expect to harvest 1,000,000 pounds of Improved varieties and 500,000 pounds of the Native and Seedling varieties. Harvest and production are down due to traditional alternate bearing patterns.

The **UNITED STATES** October 1 forecast for 2006 pecan utilized production is 201 million pounds (in-shell basis), down 28 percent from last year's crop but 8 percent above the 2004 crop year. Improved varieties are expected to produce 150 million pounds or 74 percent of the total, while the Native and Seedling varieties, at 51.7 million pounds, make up the remaining 26 percent. The 2006 crop is expected to be smaller than last year's in most producing states as it is a down year in the alternate bearing pattern typical of pecans. The exceptions are the Gulf Coast States of Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi that expect larger crops this year since hurricanes caused extensive damage in both the 2004 and 2005 seasons.

Utilized Production, Select States, United States, 2004-2005 and Forecasted October 1, 2006

State	Utilized Production		
	2004	2005	2006
	1,000 Pounds		
Florida	500	1,000	900
Georgia	45,000	80,000	45,000
North Carolina	100	2,000	1,200
South Carolina	1,100	2,200	1,500
Texas	40,000	65,000	36,000
UNITED STATES	185,800	280,200	201,400



COTTON GINNINGS

GINNINGS: Prior to September 15, 2004-2006, Selected States

State	Running Bales Ginned		
	2004	2005	2006
Alabama 1/			3,650
Arizona	25,250	12,800	13,550
Arkansas 1/		6,800	39,550
Georgia 1/	12,800		7,400
Louisiana	4,350	51,700	123,800
Mississippi	13,200	19,350	195,500
North Carolina 1/			0
South Carolina	0	0	0
Tennessee 1/	0		0
Texas	1,099,950	868,300	610,500
United States	1,156,550	976,050	995,650

1/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual gins.



Quarterly Hogs

The U. S. inventory of hogs and pigs on September 1, 2006 was 62.7 million head. This was up 1 percent from September 1, 2005 and up 2 percent from June 1, 2006. Breeding inventory, at 6.08 million head, was up 2 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 56.6 million head, was up 1 percent from last year and up 2 percent from last quarter. The June-August 2006 pig crop, at 26.7 million head, was up 1 percent from 2005 and up 2 percent from 2004.

Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.92 million head, up slightly from 2005 and up 1 percent from 2004. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.14 for the June-August 2006 period, compared to

9.06 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.70 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs. U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.92 million sows farrow during the September-November 2006 quarter, up 1 percent from the actual farrowings in both 2005 and 2004. Intended farrowings for December 2006-February 2007, at 2.90 million sows, are up 2 percent from both 2006 and 2005. The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 39 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, unchanged from last year.

HOGS AND PIGS: Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory, by State and United States, September 1, 2005 and 2006 1/

State	Breeding		Percent of Previous Year	Market		Percent of Previous Year	Total		Percent of Previous Year
	2005	2006		2005	2006		2005	2006	
Arkansas	85	85	100	200	195	98	285	280	98
Colorado	145	155	107	715	695	97	860	850	99
Illinois	420	440	105	3,630	3,910	108	4,050	4,350	107
Indiana	300	330	110	2,800	3,020	108	3,100	3,350	108
Iowa	1,080	1,080	100	15,520	15,820	102	16,600	16,900	102
Kansas	155	165	106	1,565	1,745	112	1,720	1,910	111
Michigan	100	100	100	830	870	105	930	970	104
Minnesota	600	590	98	6,200	6,310	102	6,800	6,900	101
Missouri	340	355	104	2,510	2,395	95	2,850	2,750	96
Nebraska	350	350	100	2,450	2,550	104	2,800	2,900	104
North Carolina	1,020	1,010	99	9,080	8,690	96	10,100	9,700	96
Ohio	160	170	106	1,400	1,490	106	1,560	1,660	106
Oklahoma	360	360	100	2,060	2,030	99	2,420	2,390	99
Pennsylvania	95	105	111	985	1,045	106	1,080	1,150	106
South Dakota	140	155	111	1,240	1,325	107	1,380	1,480	107
Texas	100	100	100	890	880	99	990	980	99
Wisconsin	50	55	110	370	375	101	420	430	102
Other States 2/	472	474	100	3,428	3,280	96	3,901	3,754	96
United States	5,972	6,079	102	55,873	56,625	101	61,846	62,704	101

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

MARKET HOGS AND PIGS: Inventory Number, by Weight Groups South Carolina and United States, September 1, 2005-2006

Item	United States		Percent of Previous Year
	2005	2006	
	--- Thou. Head ---		-- Percent --
Under 60 Pounds	20,764	20,998	101
60-119 Pounds	13,876	13,991	101
120-179 Pounds	11,404	11,555	101
180 Pounds & Over	9,830	10,082	103