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## JUNE CROP REPORT

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**SOUTH DAKOTA:** The South Dakota June 1 winter wheat production forecast is 65.8 million bushels, up 4 percent from last month's 63.0 million bushels. The 2005 forecast is 17 percent above last year's harvest of 56.3 million bushels. Yield is forecast at 47 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from last month. The current forecast breaks the record production of 61.5 million bushels in 2003 and ties the record yield set in 1999.

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**UNITED STATES:** Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.55 billion bushels, down 3 percent from the May 1 forecast but 3 percent above 2004. Based on June 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.1 bushels per acre, down 1.3 bushels from the previous forecast. Grain area totals 35.1 million acres, unchanged from May 1.

### WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES, 2003, 2004, AND FORECAST 2005

| State   | Area Planted 1/                 |        | Area Harvested |           | Yield           |           | Production            |           |           |
|---------|---------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
|         | 2004                            | 2005   | 2004           | Ind. 2005 | 2004            | Ind. 2005 | 2003                  | 2004      | Ind. 2005 |
|         | - - - - - 1,000 Acres - - - - - |        |                |           | - - Bushels - - |           | - - 1,000 Bushels - - |           |           |
| Colo.   | 2,300                           | 2,650  | 1,700          | 2,450     | 27.0            | 32.0      | 77,000                | 45,900    | 78,400    |
| Mont.   | 1,900                           | 2,150  | 1,630          | 2,050     | 41.0            | 41.0      | 67,340                | 66,830    | 84,050    |
| Nebr.   | 1,850                           | 1,850  | 1,650          | 1,700     | 37.0            | 43.0      | 83,720                | 61,050    | 73,100    |
| S. Dak. | 1,650                           | 1,500  | 1,250          | 1,400     | 45.0            | 47.0      | 61,490                | 56,250    | 65,800    |
| U. S.   | 43,350                          | 41,613 | 34,462         | 35,069    | 43.5            | 44.1      | 1,716,721             | 1,499,434 | 1,545,971 |

1/ Includes area planted in the preceding fall.

### WASDE WHEAT OUTLOOK

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Projected U.S. 2005/06 ending stocks of wheat are down 59 million bushels from last month due to smaller beginning stocks and lower production. Beginning stocks are down 14 million bushels with higher projected food use and exports for 2004/05. Forecast winter wheat production is 45 million bushels less than last month because of lower yields. Projected use is unchanged from last month but is down 131 million bushels from last year.

The 2005/06 global wheat outlook has shifted modestly from last month with projected production falling, imports increasing, and stocks declining. Foreign production is down 1.6 million

tons due mostly to smaller crops in Australia (down 1.5 million), the EU-25, Argentina, India, and Morocco. These declines are partially offset by larger crops in Russia (up 2 million tons) and Turkey. Projected global imports are up fractionally, mostly due to larger imports by Morocco, Tunisia, and Nigeria. The pattern of global exports has shifted from last month with larger exports projected for Russia and Turkey and smaller exports for Australia, Argentina, and India. Global consumption rises fractionally due largely to increased wheat feeding in Russia. Global wheat stocks fall with the largest declines in the United States and Australia.

Source: World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, June 2005



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## FARM LABOR

**UNITED STATES:** There were 978,000 hired workers on the Nation's farms and ranches during the week of April 10-16, 2005, down 10 percent from a year ago. Of these hired workers, 746,000 workers were hired directly by farm operators. Agricultural service employees on farms and ranches made up the remaining 232,000 workers. Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$9.34 per hour during the April 2005 reference week, up 11 cents from a year earlier.

**NORTHERN PLAINS (SD, ND, NE, KS):** During the week of April 10-16, 2005, there were an estimated 27,000 hired farm workers, down 4,000 from April 2004 but the same as January 2005. The average wage rate for all hired workers was \$9.70 per hour during the April 2005 survey week, up 75 cents from a year ago but down 12 cents from January 2005.

### WAGE RATES FOR HIRED WORKERS, SELECTED REGIONS, JANUARY 9-15, 2005 AND APRIL 10-16, 2005 1/

| Region 2/        | Type of Worker               |       |           |       |                   |       |                   |       |
|------------------|------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
|                  | Field                        |       | Livestock |       | Field & Livestock |       | All Hired Workers |       |
|                  | January                      | April | January   | April | January           | April | January           | April |
|                  | ----- Dollars per Hour ----- |       |           |       |                   |       |                   |       |
| Lake             | 9.65                         | 8.99  | 9.67      | 10.05 | 9.66              | 9.45  | 10.61             | 9.95  |
| Cornbelt II      | 9.16                         | 8.85  | 10.28     | 9.27  | 10.07             | 9.06  | 10.63             | 9.38  |
| Northern Plains  | 10.26                        | 9.33  | 8.60      | 9.69  | 9.20              | 9.46  | 9.82              | 9.70  |
| Mountain I       | 9.42                         | 7.89  | 8.82      | 8.49  | 8.95              | 8.23  | 9.76              | 8.43  |
| United States 3/ | 8.71 *                       | 8.55  | 9.20 *    | 9.23  | 8.90 *            | 8.73  | 9.78 *            | 9.34  |

1/ Excludes Ag. Service Workers. 2/ Lake: MI, MN, WI; Cornbelt II: IA, MO; Northern Plains: KS, NE, ND, SD; Mountain I: ID, MT, WY.

3/ Excludes AK. \* Revised.

## CATTLE ON FEED

**SOUTH DAKOTA:** South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 186,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on June 1. The June 1 number is down 2,000 head from a year ago and down 14,000 head from last month.

**Placements** during May totaled 28,000 head, unchanged from last year but up 1,000 head from April 2005.

**Marketings of fed cattle** during May totaled 38,000 head, up 1,000 head from a year earlier and up 7,000 head from April 2005.

**Other disappearance** during May totaled 4,000 head, up 1,000 head from last year and up 3,000 from last month.

**UNITED STATES: Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000

or more head totaled 10.77 million head on June 1, 2005. The inventory was 1 percent above June 1, 2004 and 2 percent above June 1, 2003.

**Placements** in feedlots during May totaled 2.22 million, 6 percent below 2004 and 4 percent below 2003. Net placements were 2.13 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 435,000, 600-699 pounds were 390,000, 700-799 pounds were 663,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 735,000.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during May totaled 2.0 million, 1 percent below 2004 and 11 percent below 2003.

**Other disappearance** totaled 96,000 during May, 22 percent above 2004 and 48 percent above 2003.

### CATTLE ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS), SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES, JUNE 1, 2004 & 2005

| Item                              | South Dakota       |      |                   | United States          |        |                   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------|-------------------|------------------------|--------|-------------------|
|                                   | 2004               | 2005 | 2005 as % of 2004 | 2004                   | 2005   | 2005 as % of 2004 |
|                                   | - - 1,000 Head - - |      |                   | - - - 1,000 Head - - - |        |                   |
|                                   | Percent            |      |                   | Percent                |        |                   |
| On feed, May 1                    | 200                | 200  | 100               | 10,375                 | 10,639 | 103               |
| Placed on feed during May         | 28                 | 28   | 100               | 2,370                  | 2,223  | 94                |
| Fed cattle marketed during May    | 37                 | 38   | 103               | 2,026                  | 1,997  | 99                |
| Other disappearance during May 1/ | 3                  | 4    | 133               | 79                     | 96     | 122               |
| On feed, June 1                   | 188                | 186  | 99                | 10,640                 | 10,769 | 101               |

1/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## PRICES

### UNITED STATES PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 122, based on 1990-92=100, is unchanged from April. The Crop and Livestock Indices are unchanged. Producers received higher commodity prices for hogs, strawberries, hay, and potatoes. Lower prices were received for lettuce, broccoli, asparagus, and dairy. The overall index is also affected by the 3-year average seasonal change in the mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of cantaloup, sweet corn, grapes, and broilers offset decreased marketings of cattle, dairy, calves, and asparagus. Preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 7 points (5.4 percent) from May 2004. The Food Commodities Index, at 126, is unchanged from last month but 5 points (3.8 percent) below May 2004.

### TRENDS AFFECTING AGRICULTURE

| Index                    | United States  |           |          |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------|
|                          | May 2004       | Apr. 2005 | May 2005 |
| Prices Received Indexes  | (1990-92=100%) |           |          |
| All farm products        | % 129          | 122 *     | 122      |
| All crops                | % 124          | 121 *     | 121      |
| Food grains              | % 128          | 110 *     | 108      |
| Feed grains & hay        | % 127          | 95 *      | 97       |
| Oil bearing crops        | % 170          | 109 *     | 109      |
| All livestock & products | % 133          | 122 *     | 122      |
| Meat animals             | % 121          | 126 *     | 126      |
| Dairy products           | % 148          | 116 *     | 114      |
| Poultry & eggs           | % 141          | 121       | 122      |
| Prices Paid Index        | % 135          | 139 *     | 139      |
| Ratio 1/                 | % 96           | 88 *      | 88       |
| Crop Sector              | % 135          | 142 *     | 142      |
| Livestock Sector         | % 134          | 136       | 136      |

\*Revised. 1/ (Received Index/Paid Index)

### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES SOLD

| Commodity and Unit    | South Dakota   |                  |                | United States  |                  |                | Parity Price May 2005 |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
|                       | May 2004<br>1/ | April 2005<br>1/ | May 2005<br>2/ | May 2004<br>1/ | April 2005<br>1/ | May 2005<br>2/ |                       |
| Dollars               |                |                  |                |                |                  |                |                       |
| All Wheat Bu.         | 3.86           | 3.30             | 3.50           | 3.82           | 3.35             | 3.28           | 10.30                 |
| Winter Bu.            | 3.67           | 3.12             | 3.29           | 3.72           | 3.27             | 3.13           | --                    |
| Durum Bu.             | 5/             | 5/               | 5/             | 4.21           | 3.63             | 3.57           | --                    |
| Other spring Bu.      | 4.01           | 3.41             | 3.62           | 4.01           | 3.39             | 3.52           | --                    |
| Corn Bu.              | 2.90           | 1.82             | 1.75           | 2.87           | 2.00             | 1.92           | 6.91                  |
| Oats Bu.              | 1.61           | 1.56             | 1.50           | 1.70           | 1.65             | 1.58           | 4.10                  |
| Soybeans Bu.          | 9.61           | 6.00             | 6.02           | 9.56           | 6.03             | 6.09           | 16.70                 |
| All Barley Bu.        | 2.40           | 1.92             | 2.10           | 2.78           | 2.32             | 2.53           | 7.00                  |
| Feed Bu.              | 5/             | 5/               | 5/             | 2.39           | 1.54             | 1.91           | --                    |
| Malt Bu.              | 2.40           | 1.92             | 2.10           | 3.14           | 2.74             | 3.02           | --                    |
| Sunflower Cwt.        | 13.30          | 14.30            | 13.80          | 13.70          | 15.20            | 14.80          | --                    |
| Flaxseed Bu.          | 6.81           | 12.20            | 5/             | 7.10           | 12.30            | 13.00          | 14.00                 |
| Sorghum Cwt.          | 3/             | 3/               | 3/             | 4.82           | 2.96             | 2.86           | 11.30                 |
| All Hay Ton           | 63.00          | 61.00            | 60.00          | 101.00         | 96.90            | 107.00         | --                    |
| Alfalfa Ton           | 64.00          | 62.00            | 61.00          | 109.00         | 103.00           | 116.00         | --                    |
| Other Ton             | 51.00          | 52.00            | 49.00          | 78.30          | 75.40            | 76.10          | --                    |
| Milk, wholesale Cwt.  | 3/             | 3/               | 3/             | 19.30          | 15.20            | 14.90          | 36.60                 |
| Eggs, market Doz.     | 3/             | 3/               | 3/             | 0.472          | 0.261            | 0.236          | 1.75                  |
| Cattle 4/ Cwt.        | 89.30          | 99.30            | 95.60          | 88.50          | 94.00            | 92.90          | 179.00                |
| Steers & heifers Cwt. | 97.20          | 105.00           | 103.00         | 92.60          | 98.30            | 96.90          | --                    |
| Cows Cwt.             | 53.10          | 60.80            | 61.70          | 52.50          | 57.10            | 58.70          | --                    |
| Calves Cwt.           | 122.00         | 138.00           | 136.00         | 121.00         | 140.00           | 141.00         | 243.00                |
| All hogs Cwt.         | 58.20          | 52.40            | 55.40          | 56.60          | 51.20            | 55.40          | 111.00                |
| Barrows & gilts Cwt.  | 59.80          | 53.60            | 57.00          | 57.30          | 51.50            | 56.10          | --                    |
| Sows Cwt.             | 45.10          | 41.20            | 42.00          | 43.50          | 41.70            | 41.70          | --                    |
| Sheep Cwt.            | 35.50          | 44.20            | 5/             | 36.00          | 44.40            | 5/             | 87.70                 |
| Lambs Cwt.            | 112.00         | 124.00           | 5/             | 103.00         | 114.00           | 5/             | 217.00                |

1/ Full month except hay which is mid-month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Annual average price only. 4/ "Cows" and "Steers & Heifers" combined. 5/ No price available.

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## COLD STORAGE

### STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE, UNITED STATES

| Commodity                   | Apr. 30,<br>2004 | Mar. 31,<br>2005 | Apr. 30,<br>2005 | April 2005 as % of |            |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|
|                             |                  |                  |                  | April 2004         | March 2005 |
| ----- Thousand Pounds ----- |                  |                  |                  |                    |            |
| Butter                      | 155,718          | 132,460          | 163,426          | 105                | 123        |
| Cheese, total natural       | 767,568          | 741,739          | 772,657          | 101                | 104        |
| Eggs, frozen                | 20,906           | 18,548           | 18,852           | 90                 | 102        |
| Fruits, frozen              | 704,805          | 753,493          | 703,399          | 100                | 93         |
| Fruit juices, frozen        | 2,316,073        | 1,896,430        | 1,977,538        | 85                 | 104        |
| Meat, total red             | 883,600          | 931,563          | 906,548          | 103                | 97         |
| Beef, total frozen          | 421,180          | 372,404          | 326,697          | 78                 | 88         |
| Pork, total frozen          | 448,550          | 543,677          | 563,464          | 126                | 104        |
| Poultry, total frozen       | 1,195,614        | 1,089,852        | 1,145,409        | 96                 | 105        |
| Chicken                     | 645,821          | 672,686          | 694,710          | 108                | 103        |
| Turkey                      | 548,733          | 416,846          | 450,427          | 82                 | 108        |
| Vegetables, total frozen    | 1,467,921        | 1,767,633        | 1,609,517        | 110                | 91         |
| Potatoes, total frozen      | 1,158,702        | 1,091,899        | 1,169,613        | 101                | 107        |

Data are collected from warehouses artificially cooled to a temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit or lower, and whose food products are normally stored for 30 days or more. All food items in these facilities are reported regardless of the number of days stored at the time of the report. Also included are specialized storage facilities meeting the 30 day requirement, such as fruit houses, dairy manufacturing plants, frozen fruit, fruit juice, and vegetable processors, and poultry and meat packing plants. Excluded are stocks in space maintained by wholesalers, jobbers, distributors, chain stores, locker plants containing individual lockers, meat packer branch houses, and frozen food processors whose entire inventories are turned over more than once a month.

## SLAUGHTER

### COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, RED MEAT PRODUCTION, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES 1/

| Kind                 | Unit         | Slaughter    |              |              | April 2005 as % of |               | January-April 2/        |          | 2005 as %<br>of 2004 |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------|
|                      |              | Apr.<br>2004 | Mar.<br>2005 | Apr.<br>2005 | April<br>2004      | March<br>2005 | 2004                    | 2005     |                      |
| ----- Percent -----  |              |              |              |              |                    |               |                         |          |                      |
|                      |              |              |              |              |                    |               | Million Lbs. Liveweight |          | Percent              |
| <b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b>  |              |              |              |              |                    |               |                         |          |                      |
| Cattle               | 1,000 Head   | 4/           | 4/           | 4/           | NA                 | NA            | 4/                      | 4/       | NA                   |
| Hogs                 | 1,000 Head   | 351.2        | 402.5        | 360.3        | 103                | 90            | 396.9                   | 390.8    | 98                   |
| Sheep                | 1,000 Head   | 0.7          | 1.0          | 0.6          | 86                 | 60            | 0.418                   | 0.380    | 91                   |
| Red Meat 3/          | Million Lbs. | 74.7         | 85.0         | 76.2         | 102                | 90            | 320.9                   | 316.7    | 99                   |
| <b>UNITED STATES</b> |              |              |              |              |                    |               |                         |          |                      |
| Cattle               | 1,000 Head   | 2,697.7      | 2,723.5 *    | 2,560.1      | 95                 | 94            | 12,941.8                | 12,620.3 | 98                   |
| Hogs                 | 1,000 Head   | 8,653.2      | 8,947.2 *    | 8,443.8      | 98                 | 94            | 9,214.2                 | 9,184.5  | 100                  |
| Sheep                | 1,000 Head   | 256.2        | 280.3        | 220.8        | 86                 | 79            | 139.4                   | 128.9    | 92                   |
| Red Meat 3/          | Million Lbs. | 3,712.8      | 3,878.9 *    | 3,622.3      | 98                 | 93            | 14,776.6                | 14,572.4 | 99                   |

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data. 3/ Red Meat is based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. 4/ Data not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. \* Revised.

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