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**SOUTH DAKOTA:** The November 1 corn production is forecast at 385.2 million bushels, up 2 percent from last month, but 18 percent below last year's level. Yield is forecast at 107 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from last month's forecast but 12 bushels below last year. Acres to be harvested for grain are forecast at 3.6 million, down 9 percent from last year.

**Soybean** production is forecast at 136.5 million bushels, up 6 percent from last month and 1 percent above last year. Yield, at 35 bushels per acre, is up 2 bushels from the previous forecast but unchanged from last year. Acres for harvest are forecast at 3.9 million, up 1 percent from last year.

**Sorghum** production is forecast at 4.0 million bushels, unchanged from last month's forecast but 10 percent below last year. Yield, at 40 bushels per acre, is unchanged from last month but 12 bushels below last year. Grain sorghum harvested acres, forecast at 100,000, are up 18 percent from last year.

**UNITED STATES:** Corn production is forecast at 10.7 billion bushels, down 1 percent from October and 3 percent lower than 2005. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 151.2 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels from October but 3.3 bushels higher than last year. If realized, the yield would be the second largest on record, behind 2004.

**Soybean** production is forecast at 3.20 billion bushels, up slightly from October and 5 percent above 2005. If realized, this would be the largest U.S. soybean crop on record. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 43.0 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushel from October and equal to last year's record high yield.

**Sorghum** production is forecast at 288 million bushels, down 4 percent from the October 1 forecast and 27 percent below 2005. Based on November 1 conditions, the sorghum yield forecast is 54.2 bushels per acre, down 2.4 bushels from October and down 14.5 bushels from last year.

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CROP SUMMARY, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 1, 2006

Crop	Area Planted		Acres for Harvest		Yield/Harv. Acre		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	- - - - - 1,000 Acres - - - - -				- - Bushels - -		- - 1,000 Bushels - -	
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b>								
Corn, All	4,450	4,500	--	--	--	--	--	--
Corn, Grain	--	--	3,950	3,600	119.0	107.0	470,050	385,200
Soybeans	3,900	3,950	3,850	3,900	35.0	35.0	134,750	136,500
Sorghum, All	180	200	--	--	--	--	--	--
Sorghum, Grain	--	--	85	100	52.0	40.0	4,420	4,000
<b>UNITED STATES</b>								
Corn, All	81,759	78,561	--	--	--	--	--	--
Corn, Grain	--	--	75,107	71,047	147.9	151.2	11,112,072	10,744,806
Soybeans	72,032	75,565	71,251	74,505	43.0	43.0	3,063,237	3,203,908
Sorghum, All	6,454	6,319	--	--	--	--	--	--
Sorghum, Grain	--	--	5,736	5,319	68.7	54.2	393,893	288,470



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## CATTLE ON FEED

**SOUTH DAKOTA:** South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 170,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on October 1. The October 1 number is up 40,000 head from one year ago and up 15,000 head from September. **Placements** during September totaled 50,000 head, up 10,000 head from last year and up 20,000 head from August 2005. **Marketings of fed cattle** during September totaled 34,000 head, down 6,000 head from last year and down 3,000 from August. **Other disappearance** during September totaled 1,000 head, down 1,000 head from last year and down 2,000 from August. **Steer and steer calves** totaled 82,000 head, 48 percent of the total cattle on feed. **Heifer and heifer calves** totaled 74,000 head, 44 percent of the total cattle on feed. **Bulls and cows** totaled 14,000 head, accounting for 8 percent of the total cattle on feed.

slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.4 million head on October 1, 2006. The inventory was 9 percent above October 1, 2005 and 8 percent above October 1, 2004. This is the highest October 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. The inventory included 7.20 million steers and steer calves, up 5 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.12 million head, up 16 percent from 2005. **Placements** in feedlots during September totaled 2.23 million, 5 percent below 2005 and 6 percent below 2004. Net placements were 2.16 million head. **Marketings** of fed cattle during September totaled 1.77 million, 3 percent below 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. This is the second lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of September since the series began in 1996. **Other disappearance** totaled 68,000 during September, 19 percent above 2005 and 11 percent above 2004.

**UNITED STATES:** Cattle and calves on feed for

### CATTLE ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS), SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, OCTOBER 1, 2005-2006

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	- - 1,000 Head - - Percent			- - 1,000 Head - - Percent		
On feed, September 1	132	155	117	10,000	10,986	110
Placed on feed during September	40	50	125	2,355	2,232	95
Fed cattle marketed during September	40	34	85	1,816	1,765	97
Other disappearance during September 1/	2	1	50	57	68	119
On feed, October 1	130	170	131	10,482	11,385	109

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

## QUARTERLY MILK PRODUCTION

**SOUTH DAKOTA:** The **July - September 2006 quarterly milk production** for South Dakota totaled 380 million pounds, 6 percent above last year's 358 million pounds but 1 percent below last quarter's 382 million pounds. The **average number of milk cows** during the quarter, at 81,000, is the same as the third quarter of last year and the second quarter this year.

**UNITED STATES:** Milk production in the U.S. during the **July - September quarter** totaled 44.7 billion pounds, up 1.4 percent from the July - September quarter last year. The **average number of milk cows** in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.12 million head, 57,000 head more than the same period last year.

### MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES, JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2004 - 2006

State	July-September Milk Cows 1/			July-September Milk Production 2/			2006 as % of 2005
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006	
	- - - - - 1,000 Head - - - - -			- - - - - Million Pounds - - - - -			- - Percent - -
Iowa	192	195	200	937	1,001	985	98
Minnesota	465	452	450	1,984	2,013	2,050	102
Nebraska	61	60	61	254	263	273	104
South Dakota	80	81	81	333	358	380	106
Wisconsin	1,240	1,236	1,244	5,541	5,817	5,823	100
United States	9,027	9,060	9,117	42,236	44,134	44,737	101

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

# PRICES

## UNITED STATES PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 117 percent, based on 1990-92=100, decreased 2 points (1.7 percent) from September. The Crop Index is down 6 points (4.9 percent) but the Livestock Index is unchanged. Producers received lower commodity prices for lettuce, broilers, cattle, and tomatoes and higher prices for corn, wheat, turkeys, and milk. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Decreased average marketings of milk, wheat, grapes, and sweet corn offset increased marketings of soybeans, corn, upland cotton, and sorghum grain.

Preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 6 points (5.4 percent) from October 2005. The Food Commodities Index, at 117, decreased 6 points (4.9 percent) from last month but increased 1 point (0.9 percent) from October 2005.

## TRENDS AFFECTING AGRICULTURE

Index (1990-92=100%)	United States		
	Oct 2005	Sep 2006	Oct 2006
Prices Received Indexes	--- Percent ---		
All Farm Products	111	*119	117
All Crops	103	*122	116
Food Grains	113	*136	153
Feed Grains & Hay	85	*106	122
Oil-Bearing Crops	97	*87	94
Livestock & Products	122	*117	117
Meat Animals	121	121	119
Dairy Products	119	*99	102
Poultry & Eggs	125	125	124
Prices Paid Index	144	*146	146
Ratio 1/	77	*82	80
Crop Sector	148	*150	150
Livestock Sector	140	*142	141

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

## PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES SOLD

Commodity And Unit	South Dakota			United States			Parity Price Oct 2006
	Oct 2005 1/	Sep 2006 1/	Oct 2006 2/	Oct 2005 1/	Sep 2006 1/	Oct 2006 2/	
Dollars							
All Wheat Bu	3.72	4.22	4.61	3.43	4.06	4.65	10.40
Winter Bu	3.45	4.27	4.64	3.34	4.03	4.73	--
Durum Bu	5/	5/	5/	3.39	4.07	4.27	--
Other Spring Bu	3.92	4.15	4.57	3.61	4.11	4.55	--
Corn Bu	1.60	2.05	2.61	1.82	2.20	2.72	7.72
Oats Bu	1.62	1.80	1.99	1.59	1.70	1.83	4.29
Soybeans Bu	5.45	4.95	5.16	5.67	5.24	5.46	17.10
All Barley Bu	2.00	5/	5/	2.41	2.56	2.94	7.21
Feed Bu	5/	5/	5/	1.81	2.33	2.77	--
Malt Bu	2.00	5/	5/	2.73	2.73	3.07	--
Sunflower Cwt	11.10	11.40	12.20	12.80	11.70	12.50	32.50
Flaxseed Bu	5/	5/	5/	6.05	5.46	5.50	15.40
Sorghum Cwt	3/	3/	3/	2.99	4.28	5.14	12.00
All Hay Ton	59.00	74.00	76.00	97.70	107.00	107.00	--
Alfalfa Ton	63.00	79.00	81.00	105.00	112.00	112.00	--
Other Ton	50.00	60.00	64.00	79.00	93.00	93.80	--
Milk, Wholesale Cwt	3/	3/	3/	15.60	12.90	13.30	38.20
Eggs, Market Doz	3/	3/	3/	0.317	0.372	0.382	1.76
Cattle 4/ Cwt	110.00	99.10	106.00	90.40	90.80	89.10	191.00
Steers & Heifers Cwt	118.00	106.00	113.00	96.10	95.80	94.40	--
Cows Cwt	49.60	48.90	48.70	46.60	47.10	46.00	--
Calves Cwt	141.00	139.00	137.00	135.00	135.00	131.00	266.00
All Hogs Cwt	47.90	49.40	48.30	47.00	48.90	46.90	116.00
Barrows & Gilts Cwt	48.80	51.20	49.70	47.30	49.50	47.60	--
Sows Cwt	40.90	35.90	37.90	41.60	35.50	36.80	--
Sheep Cwt	44.70	30.10	5/	43.60	31.70	5/	94.80
Lambs Cwt	132.00	116.00	5/	108.00	98.50	5/	231.00

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	September 30, 2005	August 31, 2006	September 30, 2006	September 2006 as % of	
				September 2005	August 2006
	----- Thousand Pounds -----			--- Percent ---	
Butter	124,061	188,772	175,619	142	93
Cheese, Total Natural	769,001	862,017	854,619	111	99
Eggs, Frozen	18,837	21,560	19,291	102	89
Fruits, Frozen	988,081	1,027,245	971,791	98	95
Fruit Juices, Frozen	1,478,471	1,131,858	1,012,183	68	89
Meat, Total Red	890,932	893,616	992,703	111	111
Beef, Total Frozen	438,750	471,677	497,501	113	105
Pork, Total Frozen	431,573	404,425	463,878	107	115
Poultry, Frozen	1,235,135	1,217,964	1,193,458	97	98
Chicken	754,882	710,420	723,898	96	102
Turkey	477,801	500,258	463,266	97	93
Vegetables, Total Frozen	2,356,460	2,084,836	2,480,639	105	119
Potatoes, Total Frozen	1,180,358	964,139	1,003,209	85	104

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			Sep 2006 as % of		January - September 2/		2006 as % of 2005
		Sep 2005	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Sep 2005	Aug 2006	2005	2006	
		-- Percent --					- Million Pounds Live weight -		Percent
<b>S.DAK.</b>									
Cattle	1,000 Head	4/	4/	4/	--	--	4/	4/	--
Hogs	1,000 Head	423.0	347.6	362.1	86	104	895.2	854.3	95
Sheep	1,000 Head	1.0	1.6	1.2	120	75	0.999	1.260	126
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	87.3	75.1	77.3	89	103	720.7	698.0	97
<b>U.S.</b>									
Cattle	1,000 Head	2,775.9	*3,133.4	2,765.7	100	88	30,418.2	32,170.4	106
Hogs	1,000 Head	8,871.1	*9,094.6	8,833.0	100	97	20,384.1	20,688.6	101
Sheep	1,000 Head	231.1	227.0	219.1	95	97	277.4	277.1	100
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	3,929.8	*4,244.6	3,932.6	100	93	33,888.9	35,228.4	104

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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