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CORN AND WHEAT STOCKS DOWN, SOYBEAN STOCKS UP FROM 2006

SIoux FALLS, March 30, 2007 – South Dakota's March 1, 2007 corn, all wheat, oat, barley and sorghum stocks are down from last year, according to the South Dakota field office of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Only soybean stocks are up from last year. Grain stocks include grain on farms, grain in mills and elevators, grain in government storage bins, and grain stored under the farmer-owned Grain Reserve Program in South Dakota on March 1, 2007.

Corn stocks in South Dakota totaled 227.3 million bushels, down 20 percent from last year's total of 285.4 million bushels. On-farm stocks accounted for 145 million bushels, down 29 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 82.3 million bushels, are up 2 percent from 2006.

Soybean stocks totaled 81.1 million bushels, up 10 percent from last year and represent the largest March soybean stocks recorded in South Dakota history. On-farm stocks totaled 52 million bushels, up 8 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 29.1 million bushels, are up 12 percent from last year.

All wheat stocks totaled 39.1 million bushels, down 19 percent from last year. On-farm stocks decreased 27 percent from last year, to 19 million bushels. Off-farm stocks, at 20.1 million bushels, are down 10 percent from last year's 22.3 million bushels.

Oat stocks, at 3.6 million bushels, are down 48 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 2.9 million bushels, down 50 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks totaled 682 thousand bushels, down 40 percent from 2006.

Barley on-farm stocks totaled 410 thousand bushels, down 49 percent from 2006.

Sorghum off-farm stocks, at 1.0 million bushels, are down 6 percent from last year.

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