

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS ^{1/}

Commodity	Unit	Virginia			United States			Parity Prices December 2006 ^{9/}
		December 2005	November 2006	December 2006	December 2005	November 2006	December 2006	
		-dollars-			-dollars-			
Wheat (Winter) ^{2/}	Bu.	2.84	4.00	4.03	3.45	4.68	4.58	10.50
Corn	Bu.	2.00	3.38	3.73	1.92	2.87	3.01	7.82
Barley (All)	Bu.	1.67	1.61	1.84	2.48	2.92	3.25	7.31
Hay, Baled: All ^{3/}	Ton	96.00	106.00	108.00	92.00	106.00	108.00	—
Alfalfa ^{3/}	Ton	131.00	140.00	143.00	96.90	109.00	112.00	—
Other ^{3/}	Ton	92.00	102.00	103.00	82.10	98.10	99.30	—
All Tobacco	Lb.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts	Lb.	.18	.17	—	.174	.172	.178	.688
Soybeans	Bu.	5.49	6.23	6.18	5.78	6.07	6.14	17.30
Apples, For Fresh Use	Lb.	.206	.180	.180	.258	.341	.331	.531
Potatoes	Cwt.	—	—	—	6.83	6.67	7.22	16.20
Oats	Bu.	2.12	2.18	2.34	1.73	2.02	2.06	4.34
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	74.90	71.80	63.30	93.30	84.70	83.70	194.00
Cows	Cwt.	41.70	39.90	39.70	47.10	43.40	42.90	—
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	100.00	83.00	81.10	99.60	90.20	89.20	—
Calves	Cwt.	122.00	96.50	97.30	137.00	118.00	115.00	269.00
Hogs (All)	Cwt.	—	—	—	44.30	44.80	43.20	118.00
Milk: All, wholesale ^{4/ 8/}	Cwt.	16.50	16.20	16.20	14.80	13.90	14.20	38.70
Fluid Consumption ^{8/}	Cwt.	16.50	16.20	16.20	14.80	13.90	14.20	—
Manufacture ^{8/}	Cwt.	—	—	—	14.40	13.60	13.80	—
Market Eggs ^{3/ 5/}	Doz.	.63	.79	.76	.564	.675	.665	1.79
Broilers, Live ^{6/}	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.390	.400	.400	—
Turkeys, Live ^{3/ 6/}	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.539	.671	.434	1.10

— No sales indicated or not available. ^{1/} Current month prices are mid-month prices, other months are entire month prices except where noted. ^{2/} Parity price is for All Wheat. ^{3/} All prices are mid-month. ^{4/} Before deductions for hauling and govt. withholding, but includes bulk tank, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. ^{5/} Includes eggs sold retail by the producer. ^{6/} Equivalent live weight returns to producers for most states. ^{7/} Discontinued. ^{8/} October 2006 Fat test percent: all milk 3.81, fluid milk 3.81, mfg. grade 4.09. ^{9/} Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived by dividing the average of 10 seasons average prices 1996–2005, including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations, by 716 percent (120-month, Jan 1996–Dec 2005 average of the index of prices received by farmers adjusted to include an allowance for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments) unless otherwise noted.

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The 2006 crop season began with a dry spring throughout Virginia. Early summer rains brought some relief improving soil moisture levels. Late summer conditions were hot and dry. The summer ended with significant rainfall from Tropical Storm Ernesto. Continual rains caused some flooding and delayed harvest efforts for several crops. Despite a dry spring, adequate soil moisture levels throughout the summer benefited soybean, cotton, and corn crops.

Corn for grain yields averaged 120 bushels per acre, 2 bushels more than the previous year's yield. Production is estimated at 41.4 million bushels, 3 percent below the 2005 production. Acres harvested for grain at 345,000, was 15,000 acres less than the prior year. Corn silage acres harvested totaled 130,000 acres, with a yield of 17.5 tons per acre.

Soybeans yielded an average 31 bushels per acre, 1 bushel above 2005. A total of 510,000 acres were harvested for beans, unchanged from the previous year. Soybean production is estimated at 15.8 million bushels, 3 percent greater than last year's production.

Virginia's peanut producers harvested an average of 3,100 pounds per acre this season, 100 pounds per acre more than the previous year. Peanut production is estimated at 49.6 million pounds, down 25 percent from the 2005 production.

Cotton production is estimated at 158,000 bales, down 14 percent from 2005. The cotton yield forecast is 729 pounds per acre, down 226 pounds from 2005's yield. Producers harvested 104,000 acres in 2006 an increase of 12,000 acres from the prior year.

Flue-cured tobacco yields averaged 2,430 pounds per acre, 20 pounds above 2,410 pounds per acre harvested in 2005. Virginia's production is expected to total 41.3 million pounds, up 22 percent from last year. Burley tobacco yield is estimated at 2,000 pounds per acre, down 100 pounds from 2005. Burley production is estimated at 4.6 million pounds, down 22 percent from the previous year.

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VIRGINIA CROP PRODUCTION

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Crop	Acres Planted			Acres For Harvest			Yield Per Acre			Unit	Production		
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006		2004	2005	2006
	-Thousand Acres-			-Thousand Acres-			- Units -				-Thousand Units-		
Barley	55	60	58	40	45	42	74	87	77	Bu.	2,960	3,915	3,234
Corn for Grain	500	490	480	360	360	345	145	118	120	Bu.	52,200	42,480	41,400
Corn for Silage 1/	---	---	---	135	125	130	20.0	17.0	17.5	Tons	2,700	2,125	2,275
Cotton, Upland 2/	82	93	105	81	92	104	956	955	729	Bales	161.4	183.0	158.0
All Hay	---	---	---	1,290	1,320	1,240	2.54	2.68	2.32	Tons	3,272	3,542	2,882
Alfalfa Hay	---	---	---	110	110	110	4.00	3.60	3.60	Tons	440	396	396
Other Hay	---	---	---	1,180	1,210	1,130	2.40	2.60	2.20	Tons	2,832	3,146	2,486
Oats 3/	---	14	16	---	3	4	---	61.0	55.0	Bu.	---	183	220
Peanuts	33	23	17	32	22	16	3,250	3,000	3,100	Lbs.	104,000	66,000	49,600
Summer Potatoes	6.0	5.0	6.0	5.0	4.9	5.6	240	210	270	Cwt.	1,200	1,029	1,512
Sweet Potatoes	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	125	125	120	Cwt.	50	38	48
Sorghum for Grain 4/	5	---	---	2	---	---	68	---	---	Bu.	136	---	---
Sorghum for Silage 4/	---	---	---	3	---	---	10.0	---	---	Tons	30	---	---
Soybeans	540	530	520	530	510	510	39.0	30.0	31.0	Bu.	20,670	15,300	15,810
Tobacco 5/	---	---	---	29.68	17.14	19.65	2,267	2,354	2,374	Lbs.	67,285	40,351	46,645
Flue-Cured Tobacco	---	---	---	23.00	14.00	17.00	2,505	2,410	2,430	Lbs.	57,615	33,740	41,310
Burley Tobacco	---	---	---	5.90	2.80	2.30	1,390	2,100	2,000	Lbs.	8,201	5,880	4,600
Fire-Cured Tobacco	---	---	---	.71	.34	.35	1,895	2,150	2,100	Lbs.	1,345	731	735
Sun-Cured Tobacco 6/	---	---	---	.07	---	---	1,770	---	---	Lbs.	124	---	---
Winter Wheat	210	180	190	180	160	155	55	63	68	Bu.	9,900	10,080	10,540

1/ Silage planted included in corn for grain planted. 2/ Cotton yield in pounds, production in 480 pound net weight bales. 3/ Oats was added in 2005. Acres for harvest is grain only. 4/ Sorghum was discontinued in 2005. Silage planted included in sorghum for grain planted. 5/ Includes all types. 6/ No Sun-cured tobacco harvested in 2005 and 2006.

GRAIN STOCKS: BY POSITION, MONTH, UNITED STATES, 2005-2006 1/

Months	2005			2006		
	On Farms	Off Farms	Total All	On Farms	Off Farms	Total All
	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-	-1,000 bushels-
	Corn					
Mar 1	4,137,000	2,619,334	6,756,334	4,055,000	2,932,328	6,987,328
Jun 1	2,462,300	1,858,513	4,320,813	2,350,500	2,011,199	4,361,699
Sep 1	820,500	1,293,472	2,113,972	749,500	1,217,661	1,967,161
Dec 1	6,325,000	3,489,957	9,814,957	5,627,000	3,302,820	8,929,820
	Oats					
Mar 1	43,500	38,946	82,446	42,200	32,673	74,873
Jun 1	25,350	32,592	57,942	25,190	27,376	52,566
Sep 1	71,700	41,803	113,503	60,800	39,284	100,084
Dec 1	60,100	35,617	95,717	53,000	43,244	96,244
	Barley					
Mar 1	79,680	111,001	190,681	68,400	98,354	166,754
Jun 1	41,100	87,317	128,417	30,770	77,161	107,931
Sep 1	137,400	117,511	254,911	112,850	99,939	212,789
Dec 1	103,650	104,335	207,985	83,650	89,064	172,714
	All Wheat					
Mar 1	304,710	679,681	984,391	256,000	716,215	972,215
Jun 1	161,275	378,825	540,100	111,010	460,180	571,190
Sep 1	721,360	1,201,931	1,923,291	572,020	1,178,524	1,750,544
Dec 1	513,010	916,414	1,429,424	403,250	911,364	1,314,614
	Soybeans					
Mar 1	795,000	586,364	1,381,364	872,000	797,206	1,669,206
Jun 1	356,100	343,174	699,274	495,500	495,199	990,699
Sep 1	99,700	156,038	255,738	176,300	273,026	449,326
Dec 1	1,345,000	1,156,426	2,501,426	1,461,000	1,236,498	2,697,498

1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.