

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS 1/

Commodity	Unit	Virginia			United States			Parity Prices Oct 2005
		Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
		-Dollars -			- Dollars -			
Wheat (Winter) 2/	Bu.	2.81	2.75	2.91	3.43	3.35	3.54	10.60
Corn	Bu.	1.97	2.08	1.96	2.14	1.90	1.74	7.08
Barley (All)	Bu.	1.65	1.58	1.73	2.29	2.36	2.43	7.17
Hay, Baled: All 3/	Ton	83.00	98.00	95.00	92.80	99.00	97.70	-
Alfalfa 3/	Ton	95.00	125.00	138.00	100.00	107.00	106.00	-
Other 3/	Ton	81.00	94.00	88.00	73.80	74.60	76.50	-
All Tobacco	Lb.	1.930	--	--	1.910	--	--	-
Peanuts	Lb.	--	--	--	.201	.174	.176	.666
Soybeans	Bu.	4.73	5.50	5.53	5.56	5.77	5.44	17.10
Apples, For Fresh Use	Lb.	.270	.300	.290	.261	.288	.286	.556
Potatoes	Cwt.	--	--	--	4.70	6.16	5.62	15.90
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	87.60	88.10	87.20	86.50	88.20	90.80	184.00
Cows	Cwt.	45.40	46.00	43.00	49.80	49.80	47.70	-
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	98.80	100.00	99.00	91.10	92.30	96.00	-
Calves	Cwt.	113.00	120.00	119.00	126.00	133.00	132.00	249.00
Hogs (All)	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	52.20	49.50	48.80	114.00
Milk: All, Wholesale 4/ 8/	Cwt.	17.40	16.70	16.80	15.60	15.30	15.40	37.50
Fluid Consumption 8/	Cwt.	17.40	16.70	16.80	15.60	15.30	15.40	-
Manufacture 8/	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	14.90	14.60	14.70	-

-- No sales indicated. 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 liveweight returns to producers for most states. 7/ Discontinued. 8/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.71 fluid milk 3.71, mfg. grade 3.92.

U.S. Department of Agriculture and Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Kevin Barnes
State Statistician

Rachel Pittman
Editor

David Mueller
Deputy State Statistician



National Agricultural
Statistics Service
Virginia Field Office
P.O. Box 1659
Richmond, VA 23218-1659
Phone: (804) 771-2493
Http://www.nass.usda.gov/va/

Virginia Crops & Livestock



(ISSN 0744-513X)

Vol. 75 Number: 11

Released: November 22, 2005

IN THIS ISSUE

Crop Forecast • Acreage, Yield, and Production of Principal Crops • Milk Production • Agricultural Prices

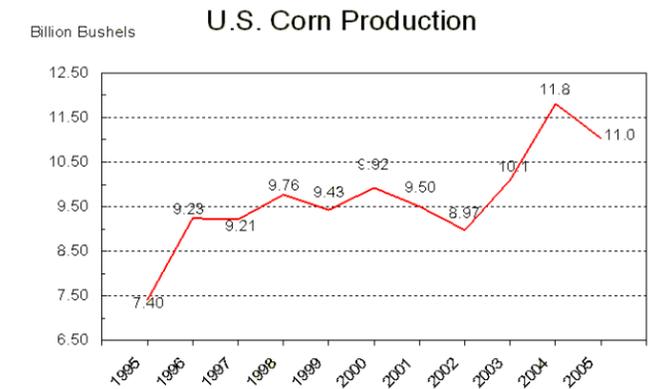
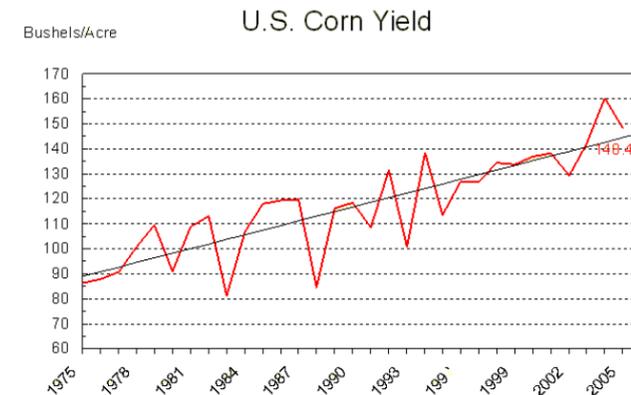
VIRGINIA'S SOYBEAN YIELD DOWN FROM THE PREVIOUS FORECAST

Virginia's November forecast for soybean yield is estimated at 29 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from the previous forecast. Virginia soybean producers are expected to harvest 520,000 acres, down 2 percent from last year. Production is forecast at 15.1 million bushels, down 27 percent from last year.

The state's peanut yield is forecast at 2,900 pounds per acre. This was up 100 pounds from the previous forecast. Production is estimated at 63.8 million pounds, down 61 percent from last year. The large drop is attributed to a 10,000 acre drop in harvested acres. Producers are expected to harvest 22,000 acres in 2005.

Cotton yields are forecast at 730 pounds per acre, up 26 pounds from last month but down 226 pounds from last year. Production is expected to total 140,000 bales. Cotton growers in the Commonwealth expect to harvest 92,000 acres in 2005.

Virginia's corn producers averaged 124 bushels per acre, unchanged from the October forecast but down 21 bushels from last year. Corn for grain production is expected to total 44.6 million bushels from 360,000 acres.



Virginia Crops and Livestock (ISSN 0744-513X) is published once monthly by the Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service, 1100 Bank St., Richmond, VA 23218. Periodicals postage paid at Raleigh, NC, POSTMASTER: Send address changes to VIRGINIA CROPS AND LIVESTOCK: VIRGINIA AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE, PO Box 1659, Richmond, VA 23218

National Agricultural
Statistics Service
Virginia Field Office
P.O. Box 1659
Richmond, Virginia
23218-1659



USDA-NASS
11-10-05

USDA-NASS
11-10-05

ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL CROPS, NOVEMBER 1, 2004-2005

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Unit	Production 1/	
	2004	2005	2004	2005		2004	2005
	- 1,000 Acres -					-1,000 Units-	
Corn							
(grain)	360	360	145.0	124.0	Bu.	52,200	44,640
Cotton 2/							
(upland)	81.0	92.0	956	730	Bales	161.4	140.0
Peanuts	32	22	3,250	2,900	Lbs.	104,000	63,800
Soybeans	530	520	39.0	29.0	Bu.	20,670	15,080

1/ Production in thousands of units. 2/ Cotton yield in pounds, production in 480 pound net weight bales.



Milk Cows and Milk Production

Region	Milk Cows 1/			Milk Per Cow 2/			Milk Production 2/		
	Oct. 2004	Sept. 2005	Oct. 2005	Oct. 2004	Sep. 2005	Oct. 2005	Oct. 2004	Sep. 2005	Oct. 2005
	<i>-Thousand Head-</i>			<i>-Pounds-</i>			<i>-Million Pounds-</i>		
Virginia	104	105	105	1,355	1,325	1,370	141	139	144
23 State Total	8,103	8,157	8,161	1,583	1,594	1,636	12,824	13,005	13,353

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

