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## Mississippi Hog Inventory Up 19 Percent

**Mississippi** inventory of all hogs and pigs on Decembers 1, 2005, totaled 375,000 head, up 19 percent from a year ago. Breeding inventory, at 39,000 head, increased 11 percent from last year and market hogs, at 336,000 head, were up 20 percent. Sows farrowing during 2005 totaled 70,000 head, up 14 percent from a year earlier. The total pig crop amounted to 620,000 head, up 80,000 head from the previous year. The average pigs saved per litter was 8.86 for 2005, compared with 8.78 in 2004. In the **United States**, there were 61.2 million hogs and pigs on farms December 1, 2005, up slightly from the previous year. The total pig crop, at 103.7 million head, increased 1

percent from a year earlier. The average pigs saved per litter during 2005 was 9.01, compared with 8.94 the previous year.

All Hogs and Pigs: Number on Farms,  
Selected States and United States, December 1, 2004-2005

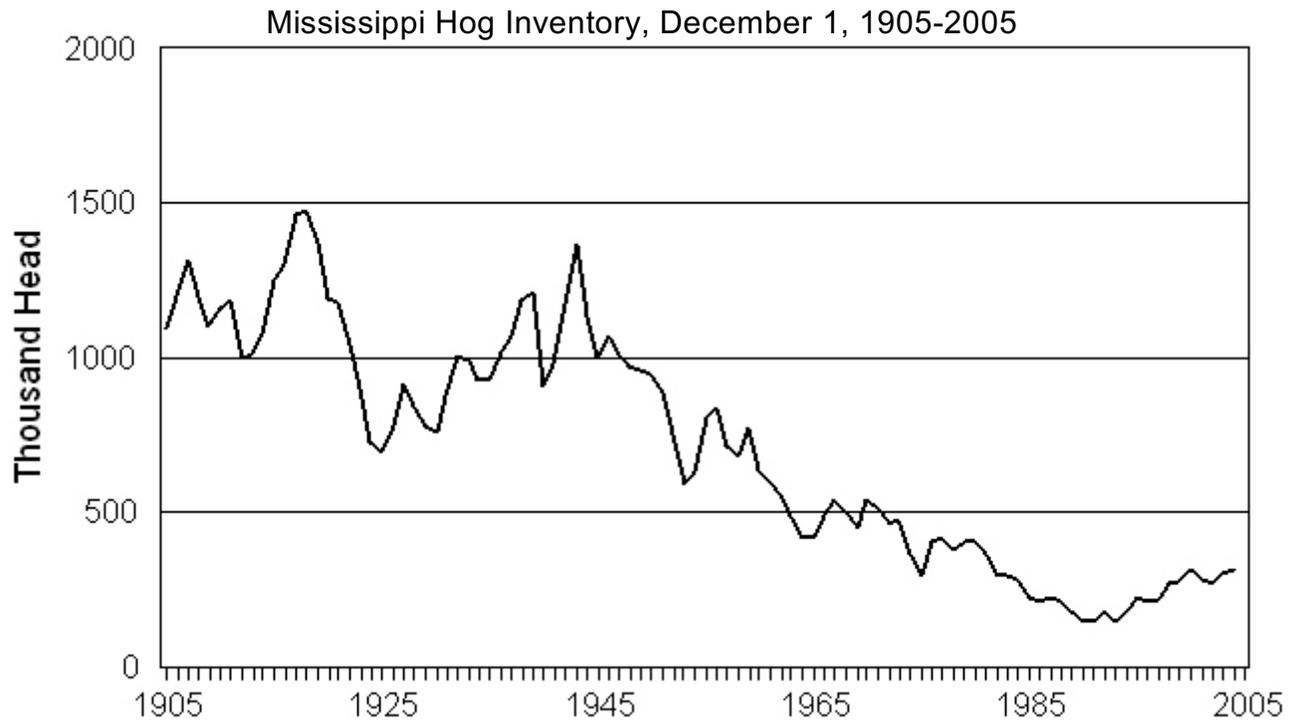
State	On Hand December 1						
	Breeding	Market	Total	Market Hogs by Weight Groups			
				Under 60 Pounds	60-119 Pounds	120-179 Pounds	180 Pounds & Over
<b>2005</b>							
Alabama	17	143	160	60	30	27	26
Arkansas	85	185	270	130	20	15	20
Louisiana	2	12	14	4	3	2	3
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>85</b>
Tennessee	20	170	190	60	40	35	35
United States	6,011	55,186	61,197	19,955	13,552	11,266	10,414
<b>2004</b>							
Alabama	18	162	180	69	32	30	31
Arkansas	85	245	330	130	40	35	40
Louisiana	2	14	16	5	4	2	3
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>67</b>
Tennessee	23	192	215	72	45	38	37
United States	5,969	55,005	60,975	19,980	13,439	11,186	10,401

**Annual Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs Per Litter and Pig Crop,  
by Selected States and United States, December - November 2004-2005 <sup>1 2</sup>**

State	Sows Farrowing		Pigs Per Litter		Pig Crop	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
1,000 Head						
Alabama	29.0	32.0	8.83	8.91	256.0	285.0
Arkansas	164	169	9.55	9.64	1,566	1,629
Florida	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.25	60.00	58.00
Georgia	91.0	84.0	8.75	8.81	796.0	740.0
Kentucky	85.0	78.0	8.96	8.92	762.0	696.0
Louisiana	4.20	3.60	7.14	7.50	30.00	27.00
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>61.5</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>8.78</b>	<b>8.86</b>	<b>540.0</b>	<b>620.0</b>
Missouri	680	685	8.99	9.04	6,112	6,191
North Carolina	2,210	2,200	9.05	8.96	20,002	19,720
Oklahoma	760	765	8.83	8.88	6,709	6,790
South Carolina	52.0	54.0	9.46	9.30	492.0	502.0
Tennessee	43.0	40.0	8.28	8.58	356.0	343.0
Texas	195	175	8.76	9.15	1,709	1,602
Virginia	59.0	59.0	9.42	9.22	556.0	544.0
West Virginia	2.30	2.10	7.91	7.00	18.20	14.70
United States	11,498	11,504	8.94	9.01	102,780	103,685

<sup>1</sup> December preceding year.

<sup>2</sup> May not add due to rounding.



**Cotton: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by Selected States and United States,  
2004 and Forecasted December 1, 2005 <sup>1</sup>**

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production <sup>1</sup>	
	2004	2005	2004	2005		2004	2005
				Nov 1	Dec 1		
	1,000 Acres		Pounds			1,000 Bales <sup>2</sup>	
Alabama	540.0	545.0	724	766	814	814.0	870
Arkansas	900.0	1,040.0	1,114	1,015	1,011	2,089.0	2,190.0
Georgia	1,280.0	1,210.0	674	793	853	1,797.0	2,150.0
Louisiana	490.0	600.0	867	928	896	885.0	1,120.0
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>1,100.0</b>	<b>1,180.0</b>	<b>1,024</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>2,346.0</b>	<b>2,160.0</b>
Missouri	378.0	435.0	1,054	960	988	830.0	895.0
North Carolina	725.0	810.0	900	812	830	1,360.0	1,400.0
South Carolina	214.0	263.0	875	785	785	390.0	430.0
Tennessee	525.0	635.0	900	862	862	984.0	1,140.0
Texas	5,370.5	5,524.0	695	682	708	7,778.0	8,145.0
United States	13,057.0	13,673.0	855	813	832	23,250.7	23,161.0

<sup>1</sup> Production ginned and to be ginned.  
<sup>2</sup> 480-lb. Net weight bale.

**Cotton Ginnings: Running Bales Ginned (Excluding Linters) Prior to  
December 15, by Crop, State, and United States, Crop Years 2002-2005**

Crop and State	Running Bales Ginned			
	2002	2003	2004	2005
All Cotton				
Alabama	510,350	728,150	723,300	754,950
Arizona	471,750	368,600	440,050	386,200
Arkansas	1,596,450	1,720,800	1,946,600	2,073,600
California	1,627,800	1,452,900	1,798,750	1,289,400
Florida	60,500	113,700	86,900	102,950
Georgia	1,318,750	1,773,350	1,603,950	1,760,050
Kansas <sup>1</sup>		28,300	9,800	56,050
Louisiana	746,850	1,028,300	881,600	1,105,650
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>1,840,000</b>	<b>2,038,650</b>	<b>2,227,400</b>	<b>2,090,150</b>
Missouri	564,950	655,800	782,950	861,100
New Mexico	46,000	48,400	44,100	51,050
North Carolina	711,450	931,950	1,262,850	1,208,100
Oklahoma	158,650	159,900	175,600	214,000
South Carolina	105,300	263,750	336,300	324,400
Tennessee	776,350	821,300	912,400	1,064,650
Texas	3,777,650	3,444,500	3,701,700	4,931,000
Virginia	79,650	99,650	138,100	138,300
United States	14,392,450	15,678,000	17,072,350	18,411,600

<sup>1</sup> Not published to avoid disclosing individual gins, but included in the U.S. totals.

Cotton: Cumulative Boll Counts, by Selected States, 2001-2005 <sup>1</sup>

State	Month	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
		Number				
Arkansas	Sep	747	840	798	864	811
	Oct	780	763	755	771	728
	Nov	816	784	744	753	733
	Dec	756	772	744	754	733
	Final	756	772	744	754	
California	Sep	939	945	973	954	993
	Oct	902	1,041	945	952	926
	Nov	921	1,009	893	945	1,002
	Dec	918	1,011	893	948	1,011
	Final	918	1,011	893	948	
Georgia	Sep	590	569	559	646	667
	Oct	677	604	646	690	689
	Nov	651	591	643	686	767
	Dec	664	600	665	687	767
	Final	664	608	664	687	
Louisiana	Sep	625	663	681	635	746
	Oct	592	756	778	707	768
	Nov	582	749	775	691	775
	Dec	588	742	775	691	775
	Final	588	742	775	691	
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>754</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>818</b>
	<b>Oct</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>729</b>
	<b>Nov</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>724</b>
	<b>Dec</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>722</b>
	<b>Final</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>780</b>	
North Carolina	Sep	719	636	628	758	799
	Oct	722	629	630	719	693
	Nov	696	560	632	732	721
	Dec	705	567	632	733	721
	Final	705	564	632	733	
Texas	Sep	441	536	465	639	620
	Oct	435	511	431	672	516
	Nov	439	520	429	593	586
	Dec	445	497	435	624	585
	Final	445	497	433	624	

<sup>1</sup> Includes small bolls (less than one inch in diameter), large unopened bolls (at least one inch in diameter), open bolls, partially opened bolls, and burrs, per 40 feet of row. November, December, and Final exclude small bolls.

Pecans: Utilized Production and Price by Variety,  
by State and United States, 2003-2005

Variety and State	Utilized Production		
	2003	2004	2005
	1,000 Pounds		
Improved Varieties <sup>1</sup>			
Alabama	7,000	1,000	3,200
Arizona <sup>2</sup>	22,500	14,000	21,000
Arkansas <sup>2</sup>	1,400	1,000	1,600
California <sup>2</sup>	3,700	3,500	3,900
Florida <sup>2</sup>	500	400	500
Georgia	60,000	42,000	50,000
Louisiana	4,000	2,500	1,000
<b>Mississippi <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>4,800</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>
Missouri <sup>2,3</sup>			300
New Mexico	55,000	39,000	62,000
North Carolina <sup>2</sup>	2,200	70	1,600
Oklahoma	1,500	6,000	2,000
South Carolina <sup>2</sup>	3,300	800	2,000
Texas	37,000	28,000	50,000
United States	202,900	138,970	199,800
Native and Seeding			
Alabama	1,000	100	800
Arkansas <sup>2</sup>	2,400	700	1,400
Florida <sup>2</sup>	1,600	100	900
Georgia	15,000	3,000	10,000
Kansas <sup>2</sup>	2,000	1,800	3,100
Louisiana	16,000	6,500	3,000
<b>Mississippi <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>100</b>
Missouri <sup>2,3</sup>			1,200
North Carolina <sup>2</sup>	300	30	400
Oklahoma	4,500	22,000	14,000
South Carolina <sup>2</sup>	1,200	300	500
Texas	33,000	12,000	15,000
United States	79,200	46,830	50,400
All Pecans			
Alabama	8,000	1,100	4,000
Arizona	22,500	14,000	21,000
Arkansas <sup>2</sup>	3,800	1,700	3,000
California <sup>2</sup>	3,700	3,500	3,900
Florida <sup>2</sup>	2,100	500	1,400
Georgia	75,000	45,000	60,000
Kansas <sup>2</sup>	2,000	1,800	3,100
Louisiana	20,000	9,000	4,000
<b>Mississippi <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>800</b>
Missouri <sup>2,3</sup>			1,500
New Mexico	55,000	39,000	62,000
North Carolina <sup>2</sup>	2,500	100	2,000
Oklahoma	6,000	28,000	16,000
South Carolina <sup>2</sup>	4,500	1,100	2,500
Texas	70,000	40,000	65,000
United States	282,100	185,800	250,200

<sup>1</sup> Budded, grafted, or top worked varieties.

<sup>2</sup> Estimates for current year carried forward from earlier forecast.

<sup>3</sup> Estimates began in 2005.

### United States Catfish: Sales, Average Prices and Ending Inventory, November 2004-2005

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price		Ending Inventory	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
<b>Fresh</b>						
Whole Fish	2,950	2,615	1.51	1.55	127	211
Fillets <sup>1</sup>	4,336	4,291	2.77	2.84	473	531
Other <sup>2</sup>	1,152	965	1.70	1.60	102	131
<b>Total Fresh</b>	<b>8,438</b>	<b>7,871</b>	<b>2.18</b>	<b>2.26</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>873</b>
<b>Frozen</b>						
Whole Fish	1,010	1,023	1.93	2.03	553	637
Fillets <sup>1</sup>	9,300	9,759	2.60	2.67	10,533	8,597
Other <sup>2</sup>	4,408	4,215	1.40	1.59	2,433	2,748
<b>Total Frozen</b>	<b>14,718</b>	<b>14,997</b>	<b>2.19</b>	<b>2.32</b>	<b>13,519</b>	<b>11,982</b>
<b>Total Fresh &amp; Frozen</b>	<b>23,156</b>	<b>22,868</b>	<b>2.19</b>	<b>2.30</b>	<b>14,221</b>	<b>12,855</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes regular, shank, and strip fillets; excluding any breaded products.

<sup>2</sup> Includes all products and not already reported including weight of breading and added ingredients.

### United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed, Prices Paid to Producers by Major Processors, and United States Imports, 2004-2005

Month	Round Weight Processed				Price Paid Pound <sup>1</sup>		Imports of Catfish <sup>2</sup>	
	Monthly		Cumulative		2004	2005	2004	2005
	2004	2005	2004	2005				
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars		1,000 Pounds	
January	53,849	53,856	53,849	53,856	.668	.725	215	1,383
February	54,173	51,720	108,022	105,576	.703	.731	204	1,230
March	60,272	57,117	168,294	162,693	.723	.733	295	1,161
April	53,896	50,306	222,190	212,999	.728	.725	328	2,198
May	52,324	51,552	274,514	264,551	.720	.722	248	2,695
June	50,155	49,626	324,669	314,177	.689	.721	270	2,538
July	51,055	47,241	375,724	361,418	.682	.723	123	2,048
August	53,295	50,686	429,019	412,104	.683	.724	1,637	2,684
September	51,329	47,151	480,348	459,255	.683	.724	1,801	2,219
October	52,396	49,034	532,744	508,289	.695	.724	1,104	4,062
November	49,536	46,674	582,280	554,963	.689	.724	1,579	
December	48,170		630,450		.690		1,420	

<sup>1</sup> Price for fish delivered to processing plant door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds of frozen boneless fillets. Includes Ictalurus, Pangasius and Siluriformes catfish. Data furnished by U.S. Bureau of Census.

## Chicken Eggs in Incubators, by Region and United States, December 1, 2004-2005

Region	Broiler-type			Egg-type		
	2004	2005	2005/2004	2004	2005	2005/2004
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	12,355	12,397	100	6,892	6,172	90
East North Central	8,405	8,869	106	7,656	7,907	103
West North Central	22,075	22,682	103	6,977	7,175	103
South Atlantic	232,241	237,993	102	4,590	3,783	82
South Central	344,548	350,557	102	5,234	5,657	108
West	25,488	25,081	98	4,263	4,010	94
United States	645,112	657,579	102	35,612	34,704	97

## November Layers and Egg Production, by Selected States and United States, 2004-2005

State	All Layers on Hand <sup>1</sup>		Table Eggs <sup>2</sup>		Hatching Eggs <sup>2</sup>	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	1,000		Million Eggs		Million Eggs	
Alabama	9,300	9,126	42	39	132	129
Arkansas	15,202	14,817	111	103	175	182
Florida	10,954	11,511	245	254	7	9
Georgia	20,179	19,038	257	234	164	168
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>6,906</b>	<b>6,759</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>92</b>
North Carolina	10,826	10,828	79	78	129	132
Oklahoma	4,000	3,855	43	43	32	33
South Carolina	5,264	5,076	96	89	19	20
Virginia	3,227	3,528	34	40	34	35
United States	344,797	346,596	6,435	6,482	1,047	1,056

<sup>1</sup> Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

<sup>2</sup> Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations.

## November Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched, by Selected States and United States, 2004-2005

State	October			January-October		
	2004	2005	2005/2004	2004	2005	2005/2004
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
Alabama	100,202	107,654	107	1,195,602	1,226,862	103
Arkansas	99,960	102,199	102	1,225,154	1,215,769	99
Florida	4,735	4,930	104	53,502	53,986	101
Georgia	110,788	111,709	101	1,301,912	1,313,792	101
Kentucky	23,064	23,329	101	275,706	277,923	101
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>66,989</b>	<b>63,516</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>781,262</b>	<b>759,009</b>	<b>97</b>
North Carolina	62,238	63,993	103	717,012	722,794	101
Texas	50,554	51,441	102	595,381	599,624	101
United States	730,353	747,335	102	8,540,161	8,665,040	101

## Mississippi and United States Price Highlights, December 2005 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	December 2004 Entire Month		November 2005 Entire Month		December 2005 Mid-Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Dollars							
Corn	bu	---	2.04	---	1.77	---	1.88
Cotton, Upland	lb	.417	.393	.493	.485	.495 <sup>1</sup>	.489 <sup>1</sup>
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	2.99	---	2.82	---	2.94
Soybeans	bu	5.86	5.45	5.84	5.62	5.85	5.71
Winter Wheat	bu	---	3.34	---	3.29	---	3.30
Rice, Rough	cwt	---	7.37	---	7.44	---	7.56
All Milk	cwt	---	16.40	---	15.10	---	14.70
Fluid	cwt	---	16.40	---	15.10	---	14.80
Manufacturing	cwt	---	16.10	---	14.40	---	14.40
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	86.80	---	91.30	---	92.70
Cows	cwt	---	48.60	---	46.00	---	46.60
Calves	cwt	---	122.00	---	133.00	---	135.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	91.90	---	97.30	---	99.10
All Hogs	cwt	---	52.40	---	43.60	---	45.50
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	52.70	---	43.90	---	45.80
Sows	cwt	---	44.80	---	37.00	---	38.20
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.390	---	.420	---	.390
Market Eggs	doz	.495 <sup>2</sup>	.488 <sup>2</sup>	.495 <sup>2</sup>	.482 <sup>2</sup>	.550	.564

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month prices.