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- Honey producing colonies in Mississippi yielded a record high 105 pounds of honey per colony in 2007.
- The average number of dairy farms licensed to sell milk during 2007 declined 11 percent from a year earlier.
- Prices received by farmers for all beef cattle for 2007 averaged \$70.60 per hundredweight, up 4 percent from 2006.
- Yazoo, Washington and Sunflower were the top three corn producing counties in Mississippi and accounted for 29 percent of the state's total corn production.

Honey: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks and Value,  
by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007 <sup>1</sup>

State	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks December 15 <sup>2</sup>	Average Price Per Pound <sup>3</sup>	Value of Production <sup>4</sup>
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Pounds		Cents	1,000 Dollars
<b>2007</b>						
Alabama	11	56	616	209	141	869
Arkansas	28	80	2,240	717	95	2,128
Louisiana	29	89	2,581	413	108	2,787
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1,418</b>
Tennessee	7	65	455	114	195	887
United States	2,442	60.8	148,482	52,484	103.2	153,233
<b>2006 <sup>5</sup></b>						
Alabama	11	72	792	230	133	1,053
Arkansas	32	76	2,432	730	91	2,213
Louisiana	30	90	2,700	675	90	2,430
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>1,276</b>
Tennessee	7	55	385	58	186	716
United States	2,393	64.7	154,907	60,548	103.6	160,484

<sup>1</sup> For producers with 5 or more colonies. Colonies that produced honey in more than one state were counted in each state.

<sup>2</sup> Stocks held by producers.

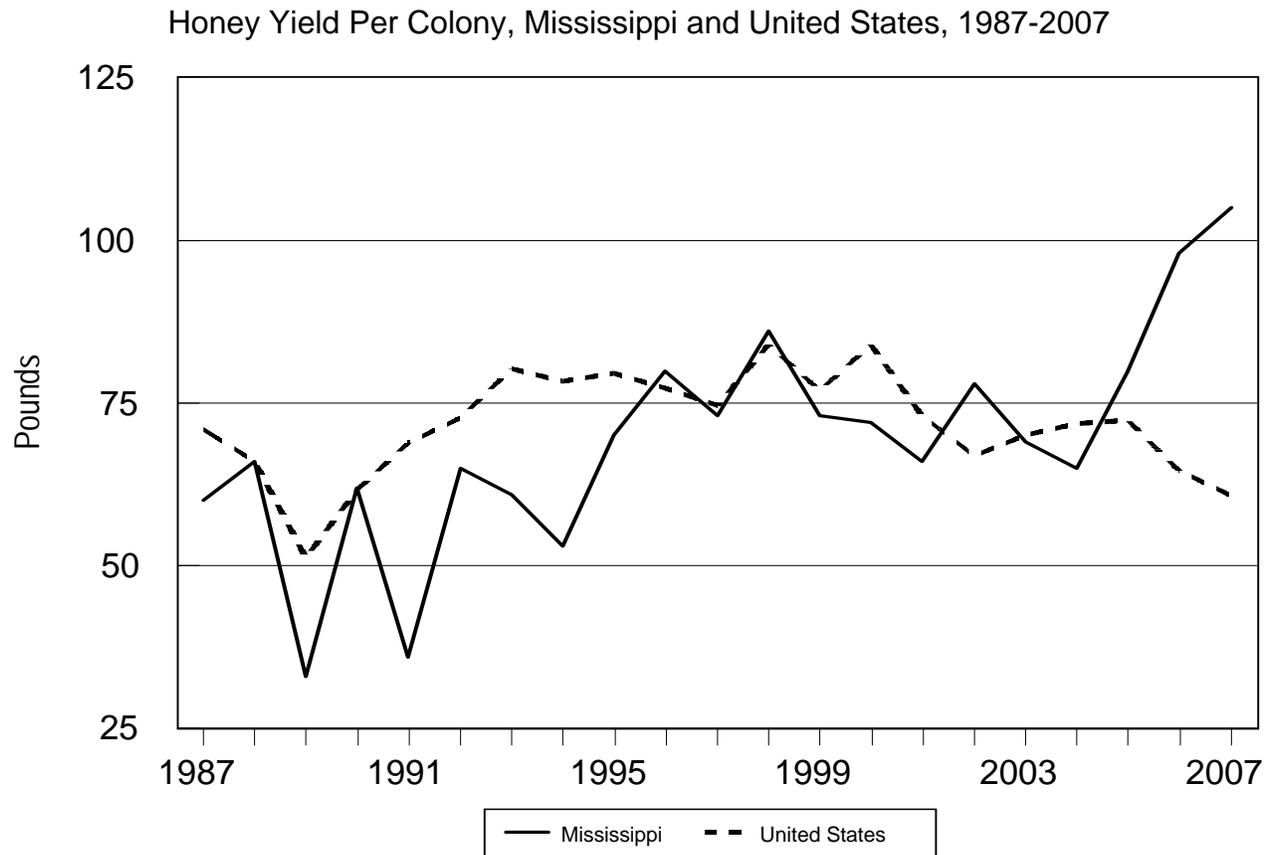
<sup>3</sup> Average price per pound based on expanded sales.

<sup>4</sup> Value of production is equal to production multiplied by average price per pound.

<sup>5</sup> Revised.

Honey: Price by Color Class, United States, 2006-2007

Color Class	Co-op and Private		Retail		All	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Cents Per Pound						
Water White, Extra White, White	97.0	96.6	175.6	167.7	99.9	98.4
Extra Light Amber	94.0	95.1	176.0	178.5	104.0	102.3
Light Amber, Amber, Dark Amber	86.7	92.7	201.7	207.5	106.3	109.1
All Other Honey, Areas Specialties	114.0	135.6	231.9	289.3	163.2	174.4
All Honey	94.0	95.6	192.0	196.1	103.6	103.2



## Milk Cows and Production, by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds	
Alabama	14	13	14,500	15,154	203	197
Arkansas	20	17	12,900	12,941	258	220
Florida	132	127	16,447	16,622	2,171	2,111
Georgia	77	77	18,234	18,169	1,404	1,399
Kansas	112	109	20,938	19,734	2,345	2,151
Kentucky	98	90	13,296	13,889	1,303	1,250
Louisiana	32	29	12,375	12,034	396	349
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14,957</b>	<b>15,429</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>324</b>
Missouri	115	112	16,000	14,982	1,840	1,678
North Carolina	51	48	18,510	19,188	944	921
Oklahoma	73	69	16,630	16,580	1,214	1,144
South Carolina	17	18	16,294	17,889	277	322
Tennessee	67	63	15,657	15,857	1,049	999
Texas	335	349	21,328	21,143	7,145	7,379
<b>United States</b>	<b>9,112</b>	<b>9,158</b>	<b>19,951</b>	<b>20,267</b>	<b>181,796</b>	<b>185,602</b>

<sup>1</sup> Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## Number of Operations with Milk Cows and Number of Licensed Dairy Herds, by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007

State	2006		2007	
	Operations with Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>	Licensed Dairy Herds <sup>2</sup>	Operation with Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>	Licensed Dairy Herds <sup>2</sup>
	Number			
Alabama	170	75	150	70
Arizona	190	130	180	120
Arkansas	280	190	250	170
Florida	460	160	440	150
Georgia	560	300	480	280
Kentucky	2,000	1,240	1,900	1,120
Louisiana	350	250	320	210
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>170</b>
Missouri	2,600	1,790	2,400	1,720
North Carolina	590	345	470	310
Oklahoma	1,400	350	1,300	320
South Carolina	200	95	200	80
Tennessee	1,100	650	950	590
Texas	1,300	740	1,200	700
<b>United States</b>	<b>74,980</b>	<b>62,070</b>	<b>71,510</b>	<b>59,135</b>

<sup>1</sup> An operation is any place having one or more head of milk cows, excluding cows used to nurse calves, on hand at any time during the year.

<sup>2</sup> Average number of dairy farms licensed to sell milk, based on counts collected from state and other regulatory agencies.

**Cattle: Marketing Year Average Prices Received by Farmers,  
by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007**

State	Cows <sup>1</sup>		Steers & Heifers		All Beef <sup>2</sup>		Calves	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Dollars per Cwt							
Alabama	44.20	44.90	98.40	91.20	81.50	77.00	122.00	112.00
Arkansas	43.60	46.30	105.00	102.00	86.80	85.50	123.00	115.00
Florida	46.50	48.40	101.00	94.00	78.20	76.40	120.00	112.00
Georgia	47.70	48.80	95.80	92.30	64.20	64.70	122.00	114.00
Kentucky	46.00	45.30	101.00	95.20	87.60	83.20	121.00	109.00
Louisiana	45.40	47.00	102.00	98.10	63.40	63.50	120.00	111.00
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>48.40</b>	<b>97.70</b>	<b>91.20</b>	<b>68.20</b>	<b>70.60</b>	<b>122.00</b>	<b>109.00</b>
Missouri	47.00	47.50	110.00	106.00	94.20	91.60	129.00	119.00
North Carolina	45.60	47.90	95.00	93.60	68.00	63.80	115.00	104.00
Oklahoma	46.30	48.80	105.00	104.00	96.80	99.40	127.00	121.00
Tennessee	44.90	45.30	101.00	96.50	78.50	76.20	117.00	108.00
Texas	42.90	46.60	92.40	95.90	88.10	91.60	132.00	122.00
United States	46.60	47.90	92.30	95.40	87.20	89.90	133.00	119.00

<sup>1</sup> Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

<sup>2</sup> "Cows" and "Steers and Heifers" combined.

**Hogs: Marketing Year Average Prices Received by Farmers,  
by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007**

State	Barrows and Gilts		Sows		All Hogs and Pigs	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Dollars per Cwt					
Alabama	41.20	43.20	34.00	32.20	40.40	42.00
Arkansas	43.30	46.10	33.90	33.70	42.40	44.90
Florida	42.50	42.50	32.40	32.00	39.40	39.10
Georgia	48.30	49.70	33.90	32.10	46.10	46.90
Kentucky	45.60	46.30	33.30	32.80	45.30	45.90
Louisiana	42.20	43.10	28.00	27.00	38.40	39.10
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>42.70</b>	<b>44.10</b>	<b>32.50</b>	<b>31.40</b>	<b>42.60</b>	<b>44.00</b>
Missouri	40.90	41.30	32.90	31.60	40.40	40.60
North Carolina	46.80	48.20	34.30	31.90	46.60	48.00
Oklahoma	40.60	40.90	32.00	31.00	39.30	39.40
South Carolina	46.50	47.40	33.70	32.20	45.70	46.50
Tennessee	44.00	45.00	33.00	31.00	42.90	43.60
Texas	43.30	42.50	29.60	27.20	40.80	39.70
Virginia	43.70	45.90	30.90	32.00	42.60	45.20
United States	46.60	47.40	33.20	32.00	46.00	46.60

## Chicken Eggs in Incubators, by Region and United States, February 1, 2007-2008

Region	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2007	2008	2008/2007	2007	2008	2008/2007
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	11,645	12,958	111	6,259	5,000	80
East North Central	9,665	12,141	126	7,441	7,087	95
West North Central	28,476	29,629	104	9,046	8,638	95
South Atlantic	241,874	249,975	103	4,012	4,251	106
South Central	332,946	345,795	104	5,324	5,616	105
West	24,542	24,138	98	4,911	4,947	101
United States	649,148	674,636	104	36,993	35,539	96

## January Layers and Egg Production, by Selected States and United States, 2007-2008

State	All Layers on Hand <sup>1</sup>		Table Eggs <sup>2</sup>		Hatching Eggs <sup>2</sup>	
	2007	2008	2007 <sup>3</sup>	2008	2007	2008
	1,000			Million Eggs		
Alabama	8,957	9,581	29	32	146	153
Arkansas	14,253	14,313	96	87	174	184
Florida	11,315	10,907	243	239	9	10
Georgia	19,881	19,433	223	218	187	189
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>6,579</b>	<b>6,435</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>90</b>
North Carolina	11,688	12,842	99	124	141	141
South Carolina	4,762	4,543	82	74	21	22
Virginia	3,176	3,167	31	30	35	32
United States	348,897	345,105	6,561	6,524	1,114	1,139

<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; data included in US totals.

## January Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched, by Selected States and United States, 2007-2008

State	During January		
	2007	2008	2008/2007
	1,000		Percent
Alabama	112,842	118,123	105
Arkansas	101,961	104,378	102
Florida	4,982	5,013	101
Georgia	127,943	127,761	100
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>67,149</b>	<b>69,781</b>	<b>104</b>
North Carolina	69,015	72,808	105
South Carolina	19,829	20,191	102
Virginia	23,122	22,550	98
United States	797,066	821,866	103

## Mississippi Corn County Estimates, 2006-2007

County	Planted All Purposes		Harvested for Grain		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Acres				Bushels			
Bolivar	7,400	48,600	7,300	48,200	148.6	173.9	1,085,000	8,380,000
Coahoma	5,100	49,800	5,000	49,500	145.0	171.5	725,000	8,490,000
Quitman		18,600		18,300		173.8		3,180,000
Tallahatchie	14,000	41,600	13,900	41,200	155.4	172.8	2,160,000	7,120,000
Tunica	---	12,400	---	12,300	---	173.2	---	2,130,000
Other Counties	2,500		2,500		140.0		350,000	
District 10	29,000	171,000	28,700	169,500	150.5	172.9	4,320,000	29,300,000
Benton	2,000	3,600	1,900	3,500	66.8	99.7	127,000	349,000
Calhoun	3,200	8,300	3,000	8,000	62.7	118.9	188,000	951,000
DeSoto	2,600	8,900	2,500	8,700	114.8	124.4	287,000	1,082,000
Grenada	---	5,700	---	5,500	---	150.4	---	827,000
Lafayette	---	2,400	---	2,400	---	138.8	---	333,000
Marshall	3,600	7,100	3,300	6,800	95.5	109.3	315,000	743,000
Panola	2,900	20,800	2,800	20,200	86.1	133.9	241,000	2,705,000
Tate	3,600	8,800	2,500	7,900	102.0	134.2	255,000	1,060,000
Yalobusha	1,800	3,000	1,700	2,900	101.2	120.7	172,000	350,000
Other Counties	3,500		3,300		72.7		240,000	
District 20	23,200	68,600	21,000	65,900	86.9	127.5	1,825,000	8,400,000
Alcorn	5,000	10,200	4,900	10,000	62.0	82.8	304,000	828,000
Itawamba	3,100	2,700	3,000	2,700	56.7	96.3	170,000	260,000
Lee	5,700	12,400	5,000	11,900	74.4	106.7	372,000	1,270,000
Pontotoc	2,700	6,800	2,500	6,600	94.0	136.4	235,000	900,000
Prentiss	3,400	3,800	3,200	3,600	51.6	92.5	165,000	333,000
Tippah	3,100	5,400	3,000	5,300	71.7	95.1	215,000	504,000
Tishomingo	1,100	2,000	1,000	2,000	50.0	99.5	50,000	199,000
Union	3,000	3,700	2,900	3,600	93.1	126.7	270,000	456,000
District 30	27,100	47,000	25,500	45,700	69.8	103.9	1,781,000	4,750,000
Humphreys	8,900	44,100	8,800	43,800	139.8	162.3	1,230,000	7,110,000
Issaquena	13,500	36,300	13,400	36,100	130.2	172.6	1,745,000	6,230,000
Leflore	13,200	49,800	13,000	49,500	153.8	182.2	2,000,000	9,020,000
Sharkey	18,500	46,200	18,300	46,000	151.9	173.3	2,780,000	7,970,000
Sunflower	9,900	65,500	9,800	64,900	125.9	170.1	1,234,000	11,040,000
Washington	17,000	87,900	16,800	87,400	160.1	180.2	2,690,000	15,750,000
Yazoo	37,800	91,200	37,400	90,700	125.4	153.0	4,689,000	13,880,000
District 40	118,800	421,000	117,500	418,400	139.3	169.7	16,368,000	71,000,000
Attala	1,800	2,800	1,700	2,700	82.4	112.6	140,000	304,000
Carroll	4,200	14,700	4,100	14,500	109.8	160.3	450,000	2,325,000
Holmes	4,700	32,700	4,700	32,400	124.7	152.5	586,000	4,940,000
Madison	14,800	28,800	14,700	28,500	106.8	100.4	1,570,000	2,860,000
Montgomery	1,900	4,600	1,800	4,600	97.8	137.2	176,000	631,000
Rankin	3,300	5,500	3,100	5,200	95.2	121.2	295,000	630,000
Scott	---	3,600	---	3,400	---	87.1	---	296,000
Webster	---	3,300	---	3,300	---	105.2	---	347,000
Other Counties	5,200	1,500	4,200	800	84.8	83.8	356,000	67,000
District 50	35,900	97,500	34,300	95,400	104.2	130.0	3,573,000	12,400,000

## Corn County Estimates, 2006-2007 —Cont.

County	Planted All Purposes		Harvested for Grain		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Acres				Bushels			
Chickasaw	8,100	7,000	7,900	6,800	79.2	136.5	626,000	928,000
Clay	2,700	3,900	2,200	3,200	69.1	101.6	152,000	325,000
Lowndes	10,000	16,000	9,900	15,600	63.3	71.8	627,000	1,120,000
Monroe	16,200	23,700	16,000	22,900	69.6	77.3	1,113,000	1,770,000
Noxubee	29,000	37,600	28,500	37,100	80.9	84.0	2,305,000	3,115,000
Other Counties	1,600	2,100	1,300	1,600	73.8	88.8	96,000	142,000
District 60	67,600	90,300	65,800	87,200	74.8	84.9	4,919,000	7,400,000
Claiborne	2,900	6,000	2,800	6,000	120.0	146.7	336,000	880,000
Hinds	10,500	14,100	8,100	12,000	90.1	121.7	730,000	1,460,000
Warren	6,300	18,900	6,300	18,700	127.0	167.9	800,000	3,140,000
Other Counties	5,000	8,800	4,400	8,100	108.6	113.6	478,000	920,000
District 70	24,700	47,800	21,600	44,800	108.5	142.9	2,344,000	6,400,000
Simpson		1,800		1,700		116.5		198,000
Other Counties		6,100		4,200		76.7		322,000
District 80	8,200	7,900	6,000	5,900	49.3	88.1	296,000	520,000
George	---	1,300	---	1,100	---	81.8	---	90,000
Newton	2,200	---	1,900	---	75.2	---	142,800	---
Other Counties	3,300	7,600	2,700	6,100	67.1	121.3	181,200	740,000
District 90	5,500	8,900	4,600	7,200	70.4	115.3	324,000	830,000
State Total	340,000	960,000	325,000	940,000	110.0	150.0	35,750,000	141,000,000

--- Included in Other Counties.

## Mississippi Top Ten Corn Producing Counties, 2007

County	Planted All Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production
	Acres		Bushels	
Yazoo	87,900	87,400	180.2	15,750,000
Washington	91,200	90,700	125.4	13,880,000
Sunflower	65,500	64,900	170.1	11,040,000
Leflore	49,800	49,500	182.2	9,020,000
Coahoma	49,800	49,500	171.5	8,490,000
Bolivar	48,600	48,200	173.9	8,380,000
Sharkey	46,200	46,000	173.3	7,970,000
Tallahatchie	41,600	41,200	172.8	7,120,000
Humphreys	44,100	43,800	162.3	7,110,000
Issaquena	36,300	36,100	172.6	6,230,000

## Mississippi and United States Price Highlights, February 2008 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	February 2007 Entire Month		January 2008 Entire Month		February 2008 Mid Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Dollars							
Corn	bu	---	3.44	---	3.97	---	4.25
Cotton, Upland	lb	.459	.474	.560	.607	.556 <sup>1</sup>	.607 <sup>1</sup>
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	6.95	---	7.40	---	7.82
Soybeans	bu	7.22	6.87	8.60	9.96	2.80	11.00
Winter Wheat	bu	---	4.67	---	7.78	---	9.22
Rice, Rough	cwt	---	10.10	---	11.80	---	12.20
All Milk	cwt	---	14.90	---	20.50	---	19.30
Fluid	cwt	---	14.90	---	20.50	---	19.30
Manufacturing	cwt	---	14.40	---	19.60	---	18.70
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	86.10	---	87.30	---	87.80
Cows	cwt	---	47.00	---	46.30	---	49.70
Calves	cwt	---	114.00	---	117.00	---	118.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	91.40	---	93.40	---	93.20
All Hogs	cwt	---	47.50	---	37.20	---	41.90
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	48.30	---	38.10	---	42.90
Sows	cwt	---	32.10	---	18.50	---	20.20
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.470	---	.480	---	.500
Market Eggs	doz	.630 <sup>2</sup>	.627 <sup>2</sup>	1.250 <sup>2</sup>	1.200 <sup>2</sup>	1.250	1.220

--- Estimates not made.

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

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