



NEWS RELEASE

**Crop Values
February 13, 2004**

TOTAL VALUE OF CROP PRODUCTION

North Dakota

The total value of 2003 crop production in North Dakota is estimated at \$3.54 billion, up 23 percent from the 2002 total of \$2.89 billion, according to the North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service. The increase in total value is due in part to a combination of higher price levels and/or an increase in production for selected commodities. This is the highest value of crop production on record, since records began in 1924. Value of production for each crop is computed by multiplying the marketing year average price by the production. Included in the total value for North Dakota are unpublished values for miscellaneous crops and an allowance for 2003 sugarbeets valued at 2002 prices.

Soybean value, at \$602 million, and corn for grain, at \$308 million, were up 30 and 25 percent, respectively. These record high crop values are due to increased production as well as increased prices. The total value of production for dry peas, at \$15.0 million, and lentils, at \$9.29 million, increased 12 and 62 percent, respectively. These are also record high crop values, since records began in 1998.

Other crops with increased values were barley, up 120 percent; spring wheat, up 49 percent; oats, up 29 percent; durum wheat, up 21 percent; and alfalfa hay, up 11 percent. Crops with decreased values were dry edible beans, down 22 percent; sunflower, down 13 percent; canola, down 11 percent; and potatoes, down 3 percent. Sugarbeet production values are not available for the 2003 crop. However, the 2002 sugarbeet crop was valued at \$197 million, down 1 percent from 2001.

United States

Total value of 2003 crop production for field and miscellaneous crops in the United States is estimated at \$82.3 billion, up from 2002's \$71.5 billion. Crop values include average prices and value of production for major field crops and many speciality crops. All prices in this report are marketing year average prices which do not include allowances or adjustments for commodities under government loan at the end of the marketing year, commodities forfeited to the Commodity Credit Corporation, loan deficiency payments, direct and counter cyclical payments, or disaster payments.

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VALUE OF CROP PRODUCTION

Crop	Unit	Price per Unit		Value of Production		Value per Acre Harvested	
		2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
		--- Dollars ---		--- 1,000 Dollars ---		--- Dollars ---	
NORTH DAKOTA							
Corn, Grain	Bu	2.16	2.35	247,158	307,944	248.40	263.20
Wheat, All	Bu	3.80	3.70	822,752	1,177,803	103.88	138.57
Durum	Bu	4.01	4.05	195,488	236,561	100.25	119.48
Other Spring	Bu	3.74	3.65	617,848	922,720	104.72	144.18
Winter	Bu	3.54	3.15	9,416	18,522	134.51	154.35
Oats	Bu	1.68	1.30	21,437	27,612	73.92	76.70
Barley	Bu	2.56	2.70	146,022	320,760	117.76	162.00
Rye	Bu	2.69	2.00	920	1,500	102.22	100.00
Flaxseed	Bu	5.77	5.80	70,625	57,420	103.86	104.40
Potatoes	Cwt	6.25	5.20	146,625	142,688	1,437.50	1,274.00
Soybeans	Bu	5.32	6.85	461,723	601,910	175.56	198.65
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	14.30	15.20	151,952	118,560	220.22	228.00
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt	6.70	5.45	13,407	14,955	97.15	96.48
Lentils	Cwt	11.10	14.70	5,739	9,290	122.11	172.04
Sunflower, All	Cwt	12.10	11.90	204,141	177,078	155.24	152.00
Oil	Cwt	11.60	11.10	167,916	147,186	151.96	144.30
Non-Oil	Cwt	13.80	15.50	36,225	29,892	172.50	206.15
Canola	Cwt	10.60	9.90	151,241	134,006	130.38	139.59
Hay, All	Ton	64.50	52.50	231,665	226,798	70.20	76.88
Alfalfa	Ton	70.00	55.50	131,950	146,520	91.00	91.58
Other	Ton	49.00	41.00	99,715	80,278	53.90	59.47
Sugarbeets ^{1/}	Ton	41.00	—	196,759	—	762.63	—
Total Value ^{2/ 3/}		—	—	2,886,883	3,542,761	—	—

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Corn, Grain	Bu	2.32	2.45	20,974,734	24,803,566	302.61	348.66
Wheat, All	Bu	3.56	3.35	5,679,400	7,954,899	123.69	150.55
Durum	Bu	4.05	4.00	327,700	408,110	121.24	142.25
Other Spring	Bu	3.82	3.60	1,516,361	1,972,345	112.63	146.87
Winter	Bu	3.41	3.25	3,835,339	5,574,444	128.91	152.55
Oats	Bu	1.81	1.45	216,127	217,962	103.26	98.00
Barley	Bu	2.72	2.90	603,796	765,783	146.23	163.35
Rye	Bu	3.38	2.95	23,511	27,389	83.67	80.79
Flaxseed	Bu	5.77	5.80	72,657	60,593	103.21	103.93
Potatoes	Cwt	6.69	5.85	3,063,597	2,686,659	2,411.71	2,148.81
Soybeans	Bu	5.53	7.25	15,214,595	17,465,394	210.04	241.50
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	17.10	17.80	513,793	411,930	297.52	305.84
Dry Edible Peas	Cwt	7.78	6.60	33,001	34,328	117.99	104.50
Lentils	Cwt	14.30	16.40	35,793	39,936	171.26	168.51
Sunflower, All	Cwt	12.10	11.80	299,638	312,594	137.45	142.28
Oil	Cwt	11.70	11.00	242,322	250,609	133.51	133.73
Non-Oil	Cwt	13.70	15.20	57,316	61,985	157.03	191.90
Canola	Cwt	10.60	9.90	164,742	149,659	129.21	140.13
Mustard Seed	Cwt	15.40	16.00	19,031	12,357	108.75	115.49
Rapeseed	Cwt	9.71	11.00	440	125	141.94	104.17
Safflower	Cwt	12.20	13.70	36,346	37,286	185.44	175.88
Hay, All	Ton	92.40	92.90	12,450,234	12,330,971	193.04	194.67
Alfalfa	Ton	100.00	98.00	7,193,786	6,921,508	310.95	293.56
Other	Ton	73.80	80.80	5,256,448	5,409,463	127.08	136.04
Sugarbeets ^{1/}	Ton	39.30	—	1,089,287	—	800.30	—

^{1/} Data not available for 2003 crop. ^{2/} Total value includes unpublished North Dakota values for miscellaneous crops. ^{3/} 2003 total value includes estimated value of 2003 sugarbeet crop, (2003 production multiplied by 2002 price).

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