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SOUTH DAKOTA: Producers in South Dakota intend to plant an additional 200,000 acres of corn this year at the expense of soybeans which is intended to decline by 350,000 acres.

Soybean plantings are expected to total 4.15 million acres, down 8 percent from last year's record of 4.50 million acres. Intentions are for seeding biotechnology soybean varieties on 86 percent of the acres, compared to 80 percent last year.

Corn plantings are expected to be 4.00 million acres, up 5 percent from 2001. Producers plan to plant 65 percent of these acres to biotechnology corn varieties. Producers intend to plant 35 percent of the acres to insect resistant (Bt) varieties, up from 30 percent last year. Herbicide resistant varieties are expected to be used on 22 percent of the acres, compared to 14 percent in 2001, while stacked gene varieties will account for 8 percent of the acres, versus 3 percent a year earlier.

Sunflower acreage is expected to total 600,000 acres, down 16 percent from last year.

Winter wheat acres seeded last fall totaled 1.15 million acres, unchanged from the previous estimate, but down 12 percent from a year earlier.

Other spring wheat seeding intentions are at 1.80 million acres, up 6 percent from 2001's 1.70 million acres.

Oats to be seeded, estimated at 420,000 acres, are up 20 percent from 2001. **Barley** seedings, estimated at 90,000 acres, are unchanged from 2001.

UNITED STATES: Corn growers intend to plant 79.0 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2002, up 4 percent from 2001. **Soybean** producers intend to plant 73.0 million acres in 2002, down 2 percent from last year. **Sorghum** plantings are estimated at 9.02 million acres, down 12 percent from last year and, if realized, the lowest plantings since 1929.

All wheat planted area is expected to total 59.0 million acres in 2002. This is down 1 percent from 2001 and the lowest level since 1972. Area planted to **durum wheat** is intended to total 2.84 million acres, down 2 percent from 2001. The 2002 **other spring wheat** planted acreage is estimated at 15.1 million acres, down 3 percent from last year.

PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, MARCH 2002

Crop	South Dakota				United States			
	Planted (Actual)		Intentions 2002 1/	2002 as % of 2001	Planted (Actual)		Intentions 2002 1/	2002 as % of 2001
	2000	2001			2000	2001		
	- - Thousand Acres - -		Percent		- - Thousand Acres - -		Percent	
All corn	4,300	3,800	4,000	105	79,551	75,752	79,047	104
All sorghum	180	240	240	100	9,195	10,252	9,015	88
Oats	350	350	420	120	4,477	4,403	5,129	116
Barley	115	90	90	100	5,864	4,967	5,078	102
Soybeans	4,400	4,500	4,150	92	74,266	74,105	72,966	98
Wheat, All	3,020	3,025	2,975	98	62,629	59,617	59,004	99
Winter	1,350	1,300	1,150	88	43,393	41,078	41,076	100
Durum	20	25	25	100	3,937	2,910	2,842	98
Other spring	1,650	1,700	1,800	106	15,299	15,629	15,086	97
All sunflower	720	715	600	84	2,840	2,653	2,493	94
All hay 2/	4,050	4,700	4,700	100	59,854	63,511	63,743	100
Dry edible beans	11.0	18.0	18.0	100	1,758.2	1,429.9	1,766.5	124

1/ Intended plantings as indicated by reports from farmers. 2/ Intended harvested acreage as indicated by reports from farmers.

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HOGS & PIGS

SOUTH DAKOTA: The state's March 1 inventory of all hogs and pigs was 1.27 million head, unchanged from one year ago but 1 percent below last quarter.

Breeding stock totaled 150,000 head, up 11 percent from last March. **Market hogs** totaled 1,120,000 head, down 1 percent from last year.

The December through February **pig crop** was 623,000 head, up 14 percent from 546,000 last year. During the quarter 70,000 sows farrowed, up 13 percent from 2001. Pigs per litter averaged 8.9, up 1 percent from the previous year. Producers intend to farrow 71,000 sows during March through May, 8 percent above the actual farrowings a year ago. Intentions for June through August are 72,000 sows, 9 percent above the actual farrowings a year earlier.

UNITED STATES: U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2002, was 58.7 million head. This was 2 percent above March 2001, but 1 percent below December 1, 2001.

Breeding inventory, at 6.24 million head, was up slightly from both March 1, 2001, and last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 52.5 million head, was 2 percent above last year, but 1 percent below last quarter.

The December 2001-February 2002 U.S. **pig crop**, at 24.7 million head, was 3 percent more than 2001, and 1 percent more than 2000. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.83 million head, 3 percent above last year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 46 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs per litter was 8.73 pigs saved per litter for the December 2001-February 2002 period, compared to 8.72 pigs last year.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.90 million sows farrow during the March-May 2002 quarter, 1 percent above the actual farrowings during the same period in 2001, and slightly above 2000. Intended farrowings for June-August 2002, at 2.90 million sows, are 1 percent above the same period in 2001, and up slightly from 2000.

HOGS & PIGS: MARCH 1 INVENTORY NUMBER, SOWS FARROWING, AND PIG CROP, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, 2001 - 2002

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
	- - Thousand Head - -		Percent	- - Thousand Head - -		Percent
MARCH 1 INVENTORY:						
All Hogs and Pigs	1,270	1,270	100	57,524	58,698	102
Kept for Breeding	135	150	111	6,232	6,236	100
Market	1,135	1,120	99	51,292	52,461	102
MARKET HOGS & PIGS BY WEIGHT GROUP:						
Under 60 pounds	390	375	96	18,737	19,381	103
60-119 pounds	300	295	98	12,417	12,730	103
120-179 pounds	245	265	108	10,805	10,914	101
180 pounds and over	200	185	93	9,334	9,436	101
SOWS FARROWING:						
December 1/-February	62	70	113	2,748	2,832	103
March-May	66	71 2/	108	2,870	2,896 2/	101
December 1/-May	128	141 3/	110	5,618	5,728 3/	102
June-August	66	72 2/	109	2,878	2,896 2/	101
September-November	70	NA	--	2,846	NA	--
June-November	136	NA	--	5,724	NA	--
PIG CROP:						
December 1/-February	546	623	114	23,963	24,711	103
March-May	587	NA	--	25,509	NA	--
December 1/-May	1,133	NA	--	49,472	NA	--
June-August	584	NA	--	25,539	NA	--
September-November	623	NA	--	24,972	NA	--
June-November	1,207	NA	--	50,511	NA	--

1/ December preceding year. 2/ Intentions. 3/ Actual farrowings for December 2001-February 2002 plus intentions for March-May 2002.
NA = Not available.

PRICES

UNITED STATES PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary Prices Received by Farmers Index for All Farm Products in March was 106 using a 1990-92=100 base period, up 7 points (7.1 percent) from the February index. A record price for lettuce, along with other increases for eggs, cattle, and tomatoes, more than offset decreased prices for broilers, milk, hogs, and broccoli. The seasonal change in the mix of commodities farmers sell often affects the overall index. Higher marketings for strawberries, lettuce, milk, and tomatoes more than offset decreased marketings of cattle, oranges, corn, and cotton.

Compared with March 2001, the Prices Received Index was up 2 points (1.9 percent). Higher prices for lettuce, strawberries, potatoes, and apples more than offset lower prices for broilers, hogs, cattle, and tomatoes.

The Food Commodities Index increased 9.0 percent over last month and was 3.8 percent above March 2001.

TRENDS AFFECTING AGRICULTURE

Index	United States		
	Mar. 2001	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002
Prices Received Indexes	(1990-92=100%)		
All farm products	% 104	99	106
All crops	% 99	101	117
Food grains	% 92	84*	84
Feed grains & hay	% 91	91*	91
Oil bearing crops	% 78	76	79
All livestock & products	% 108	97	96
Meat animals	% 103	93	93
Dairy products	% 106	100*	97
Poultry & eggs	% 119	100	101
Prices Paid Index	% 124	122	122
Ratio 1/	% 84	81	87
Crop Sector	% 127	124	124
Livestock Sector	% 120	119	119

*Revised. 1/ (Received Index/Paid Index)

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES SOLD

Commodity and Unit	South Dakota			United States			Parity Price Mar. 2002
	Mar. 2001 1/	Feb. 2002 1/	Mar. 2002 2/	Mar. 2001 1/	Feb. 2002 1/	Mar. 2002 2/	
Dollars							
All Wheat Bu.	2.90	2.80	2.86	2.87	2.83	2.81	9.38
Winter Bu.	2.81	2.64	2.72	2.85	2.75	2.76	--
Durum Bu.	6/	3/	3/	2.40	3.49	3.11	--
Other spring Bu.	2.98	2.82	2.88	2.99	2.85	2.87	--
Corn Bu.	1.69	1.76	1.69	1.96	1.93	1.92	6.35
Oats Bu.	1.27	1.97	2.13	1.24	1.91	1.97	3.87
Soybeans Bu.	4.20	3.98	4.10	4.39	4.21	4.39	13.90
All Barley Bu.	2.04	1.59	1.78	2.07	2.21	2.26	6.24
Feed Bu.	6/	1.59	1.78	1.76	1.70	1.77	--
Malt Bu.	2.04	6/	6/	2.24	2.56	2.67	--
Sunflower Cwt.	6.31	10.00	9.38	7.46	10.00	9.99	--
Flaxseed Bu.	6/	6/	6/	3.90	4.75	4.70	11.10
Sorghum Cwt.	3/	3/	3/	3.29	3.26	3.29	10.80
All Hay Ton	72.00	62.00	59.00	90.10	90.40	91.40	--
Alfalfa Ton	75.00	66.00	63.00	95.00	99.50	98.80	--
Other Ton	57.00	43.00	42.00	75.10	70.80	73.00	--
Milk, wholesale Cwt.	3/	3/	3/	13.90	13.10	12.70	32.20
Eggs, market Doz.	3/	3/	3/	0.518	0.366	0.515	1.51
Cattle 4/ Cwt.	79.70	77.80	76.50	76.00	69.90	71.60	155.00
Steers & heifers Cwt.	84.00	82.50	80.00	80.50	73.60	75.30	--
Cows Cwt.	40.80	39.50	45.00	42.30	40.60	42.40	--
Calves Cwt.	104.00	103.00	100.00	112.00	105.00	104.00	206.00
All hogs Cwt.	46.80	40.70	40.50	45.90	38.50	36.30	100.00
Barrows & gilts Cwt.	48.20	42.20	41.60	46.50	39.00	36.60	--
Sows Cwt.	34.10	27.40	30.90	34.70	27.80	30.10	--
Sheep Cwt.	43.20	37.80	5/	46.60	35.30	5/	74.00
Lambs Cwt.	107.00	74.40	5/	84.00	67.40	5/	175.00

1/ Full month except hay which is mid-month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Annual average price only. 4/ "Cows" and "Steers & Heifers" combined with allowance where necessary for slaughter bulls. 5/ Mid-month prices discontinued January 1996. 6/ Not published. Insufficient sales.

COMING UP IN THE NEXT CROP REPORTER:

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GRAIN STOCKS

SOUTH DAKOTA: March 1 stocks are down for most crops. Corn, soybeans, all wheat, oats and barley all declined from last year while sorghum stocks are up. Total stocks included grain on farms, grain in mills and elevators, grain in government storage bins, and grain stored under the farmer-owned Grain Reserve Program. **Corn** stocks totaled 209.6 million bushels, down 15 percent from the record 245.7 million on March 1, 2001. On-farm grain stocks accounted for 165.0 million bushels, down 35 million bushels from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 44.6 million bushels, were down 2 percent from last March.

Soybean stocks totaled 53.7 million bushels, down 30 percent from the record 76.5 million last year. On-farm stocks represented 36.0 million bushels, down 38 percent from last March, while off-farm stocks are down 4 percent from a year ago. **All wheat** stocks, at 58.1 million bushels, were down 13 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 40.0 million, compared to 48.0 million last year. Off-farm stocks, at 18.1 million bushels, were down 3 percent from last March. **Oat** stocks, at 5.2 million

bushels, were down 40 percent from March 1, 2001. On-farm stocks consisted of 4.2 million bushels, down 48 percent from last year. **Barley** stocks totaled 1.55 million bushels, down 21 percent from March 2001. On-farm stocks totaled 1.3 million bushels, down 19 percent from the previous year.

UNITED STATES: **Corn** stocks in all positions on March 1, 2002, totaled 5.80 billion bushels, down 4 percent from March 1, 2001. **All wheat** stored in all positions on March 1, 2002, totaled 1.21 billion bushels, down 10 percent from a year ago. **Soybeans** stored in all positions on March 1, 2002, totaled 1.34 billion bushels, down 5 percent from March 1, 2001. **Barley** stocks in all positions on March 1, 2002, totaled 142 million bushels, down 13 percent from March 1, 2001. **Oats** stored in all positions on March 1, 2002, totaled 92.8 million bushels, 16 percent below the stocks on March 1, 2001.

STOCKS OF GRAIN, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, MARCH 1, 2001 & 2002

Crop	On Farm			Off Farm			All Positions		
	2001	2002	2002 as % of All Positions	2001	2002	2002 as % of All Positions	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
	- Thousand Bushels -		Percent	- Thousand Bushels -		Percent	- Thousand Bushels -		Percent
SOUTH DAKOTA									
Corn	200,000	165,000	79	45,661	44,581	21	245,661	209,581	85
Barley	1,600	1,300	84	367	247	16	1,967	1,547	79
Sorghum	1/	1/	--	614	684	--	1/	1/	--
Soybeans	58,000	36,000	67	18,499	17,747	33	76,499	53,747	70
All Wheat	48,000	40,000	69	18,634	18,095	31	66,634	58,095	87
Oats	8,000	4,200	80	677	1,049	20	8,677	5,249	60
UNITED STATES									
Corn	3,600,000	3,355,000	58	2,442,999	2,441,473	42	6,042,999	5,796,473	96
Barley	58,600	46,000	32	103,544	95,742	68	162,144	141,742	87
Sorghum	40,100	38,100	20	127,027	156,151	80	167,127	194,251	116
Soybeans	780,000	687,000	51	623,908	648,976	49	1,403,908	1,335,976	95
All Wheat	384,750	338,500	28	953,648	872,223	72	1,338,398	1,210,723	90
Oats	55,800	39,800	43	54,128	52,997	57	109,928	92,797	84

1/ Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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