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SOUTH DAKOTA: The South Dakota July 1 **winter wheat** production is forecast at 43.75 million bushels, down 13 percent from the June 1 forecast. The yield, at 35 bushels, is unchanged from the June 1 forecast and down 8 bushels from last year. Harvested area, at 1,250,000 acres, is down 130,000 acres from last year, and lowered 190,000 acres from the June forecast.

Other spring wheat production is forecast at 57.0 million bushels, up 1 percent from 2003. The yield, forecast at 38 bushels per acre, is 4 bushels below last year. Acres intended for harvest, at 1.5 million, are up 12 percent from last year.

Oat production, at 14.4 million bushels, is down 8 percent from last year. The yield is forecast at 72 bushels, up 4 bushels from last year. Acres harvested for grain are forecast at 200,000, down 30,000 acres from 2003.

Barley production is forecast at 2.95 million bushels, up 1 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 59 bushels per acre, 6 bushels above last year. Acres intended for harvest, at 50,000, are down 5,000 acres from 2003.

UNITED STATES: **Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.47 billion bushels. This is down 4 percent from last month and 14 percent below 2003. The U.S. yield is forecast at 42.2 bushels per acre, down 1.4 bushels from last month. Acres harvested for grain are forecast at 34.8 million, down 5 percent from 2003.

Durum wheat production is forecast at 88.6 million bushels, down 8 percent from 2003. The U.S. yield is forecast at 33.2 bushels per acre, 0.5 bushel less than last year. Area for 2004 grain harvest is expected to total 2.67 million acres, down 7 percent from last year.

Other spring wheat production is forecast at 501 million bushels, down 6 percent from 2003. The U.S. yield is forecast at 37.9 bushels per acre, 1.8 bushels lower than last year. Harvested grain area is forecast at 13.2 million acres, down 2 percent from last year.

Oat production is forecast at 122 million bushels, 16 percent below last year's 145 million bushels. The forecasted yield is 62.9 bushels per acre, down 2.1 bushels from 2003. Expected area for harvest is 1.94 million acres, down 13 percent from last year.

Barley production for 2004 is forecast at 264 million bushels, 5 percent below 2003. Based on conditions as of July 1, the average yield is forecast at 63.5 bushels per acre, up 4.6 bushels from last year. Area for harvest, at 4.15 million acres, is down 11 percent from 2003.

Area planted to **fall potatoes** for 2004 is estimated at 1.04 million acres, down 6 percent from last year and 8 percent below 2002. Harvested acres are forecast at 1.02 million, down 6 percent from 2003 and 7 percent below two years ago. This reduction is due in part to low prices and changes in dietary trends.

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SMALL GRAIN PRODUCTION, 2003 & FORECAST 2004, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, JULY 1, 2004

Crop	Area Planted		Acres for Harvest		Yield/Harv. Acre		Production	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	- - - - - 1,000 Acres - - - - -				- - - Bushels - - -		- - 1,000 Bushels - -	
SOUTH DAKOTA								
All Wheat	3,028	3,315	2,747	2,764	42.3	NA	116,241	NA
Winter wheat	1,600	1,700	1,380	1,250	43.0	35.0	59,340	43,750
Durum wheat	28	15	27	14	23.0	NA	621	NA
Other spring wheat	1,400	1,600	1,340	1,500	42.0	38.0	56,280	57,000
Barley	75	70	55	50	53.0	59.0	2,915	2,950
Oats	420	400	230	200	68.0	72.0	15,640	14,400
Potatoes, Fall 1/	1.0	2/	1.0	2/	340.0	2/	340	2/
UNITED STATES								
All Wheat	61,700	59,869	52,839	50,706	44.2	40.6	2,336,526	2,059,071
Winter wheat	44,945	43,450	36,541	34,825	46.7	42.2	1,707,069	1,469,735
Durum wheat	2,915	2,742	2,869	2,671	33.7	33.2	96,637	88,571
Other spring wheat	13,840	13,677	13,429	13,210	39.7	37.9	532,820	500,765
Barley	5,299	4,666	4,688	4,152	58.9	63.5	276,087	263,502
Oats	4,601	4,220	2,224	1,938	65.0	62.9	144,649	121,860
Potatoes, Fall 1/	1,107.6	1,037.8	1,092.0	1,022.8	377.0	NA	411,386	NA

1/ Fall Potato yield is hundredweight (cwt.), and production is 1,000 cwt. 2/ State estimates discontinued in 2004. NA = Not available.

CHICKEN & EGG PRODUCTION

SOUTH DAKOTA: The average number of layers on hand during May 2004 was 3,544,000, down 11,000 from April 2004. The number of eggs produced during the month totaled 83 million, up 2 million from April 2004.

UNITED STATES: U.S. egg production totaled 7.50 billion during May 2004, up 2 percent from last year. Pro-

duction included 6.39 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 59.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2004 averaged 342 million, up 2 percent from a year earlier. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,192 eggs, up 1 percent from May 2003.

MONTHLY LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand			Eggs per 100 Layers			Total Eggs Produced		
	March 2004	April 2004	May 2004	March 2004	April 2004	May 2004	March 2004	April 2004	May 2004
	- - - - - Thousands - - - - -			- - - - - Number - - - - -			- - - - - Millions - - - - -		
Iowa	41,306	42,730	43,567	2,293	2,183	2,220	947	933	967
Minnesota	10,991	10,841	10,731	2,293	2,269	2,311	252	246	248
Nebraska	11,828	11,729	11,610	2,317	2,208	2,291	274	259	266
South Dakota	3,447	3,555	3,544	2,321	2,278	2,342	80	81	83
United States	341,000	341,912	342,085	2,209	2,148	2,192	7,532	7,343	7,499

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PRICES

UNITED STATES PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June at 129, based on 1990-92=100, is unchanged from the May Index, but up 22 points (21 percent) from June 2003. The Livestock & Products Index remained unchanged from May, while the All Crops Index decreased 1 point (0.8 percent). Producers received higher prices for lettuce, broilers, sweet corn, and cattle. Lower prices were received for milk, soybeans, tomatoes, and grapes. The seasonal change in the mix of commodities farmers sell, based on the past 3-year average, also affects the overall index. Increased average marketings of wheat, grapes, hay, and cantaloup offset decreased marketings of strawberries, oranges, sweet corn, and tomatoes.

The Food Commodities Index, at 131, is unchanged from last month. The index stands 24 points (22 percent) above June 2003.

TRENDS AFFECTING AGRICULTURE

Index	United States		
	June 2003	May 2004	June 2004
Prices Received Indexes	(1990-92=100%)		
All farm products	% 107	129 *	129
All crops	% 118	124 *	123
Food grains	% 102	126 *	119
Feed grains & hay	% 109	127 *	121
Oil bearing crops	% 109	170 *	155
All livestock & products	% 99	133 *	133
Meat animals	% 101	121 *	122
Dairy products	% 84	149 *	141
Poultry & eggs	% 109	141	147
Prices Paid Index	% 128	134	135
Ratio 1/	% 84	96 *	96
Crop Sector	% 131	135	135
Livestock Sector	% 124	134 *	135

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

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES SOLD

Commodity and Unit	South Dakota			United States			Parity Price June
	June 2003 1/	May 2004 1/	June 2004 2/	June 2003 1/	May 2004 1/	June 2004 2/	
----- Dollars -----							
All Wheat Bu.	3.42	3.86	3.70	3.08	3.82	3.55	10.10
Winter Bu.	3.14	3.67	3.62	2.94	3.72	3.49	--
Durum Bu.	5/	5/	5/	3.99	4.21	4.17	--
Other spring Bu.	3.50	4.01	3.76	3.45	4.01	3.82	--
Corn Bu.	2.25	2.91	2.72	2.34	2.87	2.74	6.81
Oats Bu.	1.85	1.61	1.52	1.83	1.70	1.55	3.97
Soybeans Bu.	5.95	9.72	8.44	6.09	9.57	8.72	16.00
All Barley Bu.	2.83	2.40	2.47	2.99	2.78	2.68	6.76
Feed Bu.	2.00	5/	5/	2.33	2.39	2.21	--
Malt Bu.	5/	2.40	2.47	3.19	3.14	3.08	--
Sunflower Cwt.	11.40	13.30	13.30	12.00	13.70	13.80	--
Flaxseed Bu.	5/	6.81	5/	6.02	7.11	7.25	13.10
Sorghum Cwt.	3/	3/	3/	3.61	4.82	4.65	11.10
All Hay Ton	72.00	63.00	66.00	94.60	101.00	95.20	--
Alfalfa Ton	73.00	64.00	67.00	98.90	109.00	102.00	--
Other Ton	53.00	51.00	50.00	79.20	74.90	76.90	--
Milk, wholesale Cwt.	3/	3/	3/	11.00	19.40	18.40	35.40
Eggs, market Doz.	3/	3/	3/	0.501	0.468	0.496	1.71
Cattle 4/ Cwt.	71.70	89.30	90.00	74.90	88.40	89.40	172.00
Steers & heifers Cwt.	79.20	97.20	101.00	78.60	92.60	93.30	--
Cows Cwt.	46.80	53.10	53.30	41.90	52.40	52.90	--
Calves Cwt.	107.00	122.00	129.00	101.00	121.00	124.00	230.00
All hogs Cwt.	46.30	58.20	57.90	45.00	56.80	56.70	106.00
Barrows & gilts Cwt.	48.80	59.80	60.00	45.70	57.40	57.20	--
Sows Cwt.	30.80	45.10	45.10	30.30	43.80	45.10	--
Sheep Cwt.	26.30	35.50	5/	30.30	36.50	5/	84.50
Lambs Cwt.	101.00	112.00	5/	96.90	103.00	5/	203.00

1/ Full month except hay which is mid-month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Annual average price only. 4/ "Cows" and "Steers & Heifers" combined. 5/ No price available.

COLD STORAGE

STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE, UNITED STATES

Commodity	May 31, 2003	April 30, 2004	May 31, 2004	May 2004 as % of	
				May 2003	April 2004
	----- Thousand Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Butter	297,959	155,718	180,741	61	116
Cheese, total natural	791,037	769,770	803,150	102	104
Eggs, frozen	17,699	20,906	20,472	116	98
Fruit, frozen	732,506	704,805	736,673	101	105
Fruit juices, frozen	2,369,710	2,382,792	2,598,165	110	109
Meat, total red	901,508	890,191	831,766	92	93
Beef, total frozen	385,122	421,180	398,535	103	95
Pork, total frozen	499,719	455,141	419,972	84	92
Poultry, total frozen	1,352,075	1,195,614	1,239,135	92	104
Chicken	687,241	645,821	670,479	98	104
Turkey	658,839	548,773	567,636	86	103
Vegetables, total frozen	1,355,133	1,467,921	1,381,277	102	94
Potatoes, total frozen	1,106,626	1,158,702	1,186,023	107	102

Data are collected from warehouses artificially cooled to a temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit or lower, and whose food products are normally stored for 30 days or more. All food items in these facilities are reported regardless of the number of days stored at the time of the report. Also included are specialized storage facilities meeting the 30 day requirement, such as fruit houses, dairy manufacturing plants, frozen fruit, fruit juice, and vegetable processors, and poultry and meat packing plants. Excluded are stocks in space maintained by wholesalers, jobbers, distributors, chain stores, locker plants containing individual lockers, meat packer branch houses, and frozen food processors whose entire inventories are turned over more than once a month.

SLAUGHTER

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, RED MEAT PRODUCTION, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES 1/

Kind	Unit	Slaughter			May 2004 as % of		January-May 2/			
		May	April	May	May	April	2003	2004	2004 as %	
		----- Percent -----						Million Lbs. Liveweight		Percent
SOUTH DAKOTA										
Cattle	1,000 Head	4/	4/	4/	NA	NA	4/	4/	NA	
Hogs	1,000 Head	374.6	351.2	291.3	78	83	493.0	472.3	96	
Sheep	1,000 Head	1.2	0.7	0.5	42	71	0.664	0.488	73	
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	80.6	74.7	62.4	77	84	404.6	383.3	95	
UNITED STATES										
Cattle	1,000 Head	3,247.6	2,698.5	2,836.2	87	105	17,983.5	16,349.2	91	
Hogs	1,000 Head	7,815.8	8,652.3	7,578.7	97	88	10,914.5	11,222.8	103	
Sheep	1,000 Head	222.2	256.1 *	188.5	85	74	167.8	165.2	98	
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	3,942.4	3,713.3	3,597.0	91	97	19,063.8	18,372.0	96	

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data. 3/ Red Meat is based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. 4/ Data not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. * Revised.

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