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SOUTH DAKOTA: The state's September 1 inventory of **all hogs and pigs** was 1.21 million head, down 6 percent from 2003 and down 2 percent from last quarter.

Breeding stock totaled 140,000 head, up 5,000 head from September 2003, but down 5,000 head from June 2004. **Market hogs** totaled 1,070,000 head, down 7 percent from September 2003 and down 1 percent from last quarter.

The June through August **pig crop** was 632,000 head, 3 percent (19,000 head) below last year. During the quarter 68,000 sows farrowed, down 2,000 head from 2003. Pigs per litter averaged 9.30, unchanged from a year earlier. Producers intend to farrow 70,000 sows during September through November 2004, the same as the actual farrowings one year ago. Intentions for December 2004 through February 2005 are for 71,000 farrowings, up 1,000 from a year earlier.

UNITED STATES: U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2004, was 61.4 million head. This was 1 percent above both September 1, 2003, and June 1, 2004.

Breeding inventory, at 5.98 million head, was up 1 percent from September 1, 2003, and also up 1 percent from last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 55.4 million head, was 1 percent above last year and 2 percent above last quarter.

The June-August 2004 U.S. pig crop, at 26.0 million head, was up 1 percent from both 2003 and 2002. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.89 million head, 1 percent below last year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.00 for the June-August 2004 period, compared to 8.90 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 9.10 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

HOGS & PIGS: SEPTEMBER 1 INVENTORY NUMBER, SOWS FARROWING, AND PIG CROP, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, 2003 & 2004 3/

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003
	- - 1,000 Head - -		Percent	- - 1,000 Head - -		Percent
SEPTEMBER 1 INVENTORY:						
All Hogs and Pigs	1,290	1,210	94	60,859	61,384	101
Kept for Breeding	135	140	104	5,918	5,983	101
Market	1,155	1,070	93	54,941	55,400	101
MARKET HOGS & PIGS BY WEIGHT GROUP:						
Under 60 pounds	380	370	97	20,368	20,540	101
60-119 pounds	310	280	90	13,729	13,644	99
120-179 pounds	275	240	87	11,334	11,236	99
180 pounds and over	190	180	95	9,510	9,982	105
SOWS FARROWING:						
December 1/-February	64	70	109	2,769	2,827	102
March-May	68	70	103	2,885	2,857	99
December 1/-May	132	140	106	5,655	5,684	101
June-August	70	68	97	2,906	2,888	99
September-November	70	70 2/	100	2,841	2,865 2/	101
June-November	140	138 2/	99	5,746	5,753 2/	100
PIG CROP:						
December 1/-February	579	644	111	24,399	25,021	103
March-May	619	658	106	25,627	25,520	100
December 1/-May	1,198	1,302	109	50,027	50,540	101
June-August	651	632	97	25,869	26,005	101
September-November	637	NA	--	25,355	NA	--
June-November	1,288	NA	--	51,223	NA	--

1/ December preceding year. 2/ Intentions. 3/ May not add due to rounding. NA = Not available.

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CHICKENS AND EGGS

SOUTH DAKOTA: The average number of layers on hand during August 2004 was 3,521,000, down 5,000 from July 2004. The number of eggs produced during the month totaled 79 million, unchanged from July 2004.

UNITED STATES: U. S. egg production totaled 7.52 billion during August 2004, up 2 percent from last year. Pro-

duction included 6.43 billion table eggs, and 1.09 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 60.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2004 averaged 342 million, up 2 percent from a year earlier. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,197 eggs, down slightly from August 2003.

MONTHLY LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand			Eggs per 100 Layers			Total Eggs Produced		
	June 2004	July 2004	August 2004	June 2004	July 2004	August 2004	June 2004	July 2004	August 2004
	- - - - - Thousands - - - - -			- - - - - Number - - - - -			- - - - - Millions - - - - -		
Iowa	44,204	44,963	45,556	2,142	2,260	2,252	947	1,016	1,026
Minnesota	10,616	10,638	10,653	2,251	2,322	2,262	239	247	241
Nebraska	11,566	11,571	11,624	2,239	2,307	2,297	259	267	267
South Dakota	3,535	3,526	3,521	2,235	2,240	2,244	79	79	79
United States	342,140	341,660	342,039	2,126	2,206	2,197	7,274	7,536	7,515

CATTLE ON FEED

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 138,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on September 1. This is up 4,000 head from a year earlier but down 19,000 head from last month.

Placements during August totaled 25,000 head, down 5,000 head from last year but up 13,000 head from July 2004.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 43,000 head, unchanged from last year but up 17,000 head from last month.

Other disappearance during August totaled 1,000 head, unchanged from a year earlier but down 1,000 head from July 2004.

UNITED STATES: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.97 million head on

September 1, 2004. The inventory was 1 percent above September 1, 2003, but 2 percent below September 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.10 million, 12 percent below 2003 and 6 percent below 2002. This is the second lowest placements for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 2.04 million. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 506,000, 600-699 pounds were 413,000, 700-799 pounds were 565,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 615,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.92 million, 7 percent below 2003 and 10 percent below 2002. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of August since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 56,000 during August, 7 percent below 2003 but 30 percent above 2002.

CATTLE ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS) SOUTH DAKOTA AND U.S., SEPTEMBER 1, 2003 & 2004

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003
	- - 1,000 Head - -			- - - 1,000 Head - - -		
	Percent			Percent		
On feed, August 1	148	157	106	9,590	9,853	103
Placed on feed during August	30	25	83	2,384	2,099	88
Fed cattle marketed during August	43	43	100	2,075	1,923	93
Other disappearance during August 1/	1	1	100	60	56	93
On feed, September 1	134	138	103	9,839	9,973	101

1/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

PRICES

UNITED STATES PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in September, at 114, based on 1990-92=100, is 6 points (5.0 percent) below the August Index. Declines occurred in both the Crop Price Index and the Livestock Price Index. The Crop Index declined 7 points (5.9 percent) from August while the Livestock Index decreased 5 points (4.1 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for broccoli, wheat, grapes, oranges, and peaches. Lower prices were received for broilers, soybeans, cattle, corn, and lettuce. 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 soybeans, peanuts, corn, and apples offset decreased marketings of cattle, broilers, wheat, and grapes. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 3 points (2.7 percent) from September 2003.

TRENDS AFFECTING AGRICULTURE

Index	United States		
	Sept. 2003	Aug. 2004	Sept. 2004
Prices Received Indexes	(1990-92=100%)		
All farm products	% 111	120	114
All crops	% 111	118	111
Food grains	% 110	112 *	120
Feed grains & hay	% 100 *	108 *	98
Oil bearing crops	% 97	121 *	94
All livestock & products	% 110	123 *	118
Meat animals	% 108	122 *	119
Dairy products	% 111	115	116
Poultry & eggs	% 115	131	118
Prices Paid Index	% 128	134 *	133
Ratio 1/	% 87	90 *	86
Crop Sector	% 131	136 *	136
Livestock Sector	% 125	131 *	129

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

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES SOLD

Commodity and Unit	South Dakota			United States			Parity Price September 2004
	September 2003 1/	August 2004 1/	September 2004 2/	September 2003 1/	August 2004 1/	September 2004 2/	
----- Dollars -----							
All Wheat Bu.	3.24	3.14	3.42	3.39	3.27	3.50	9.98
Winter Bu.	3.22	3.10	3.25	3.31	3.19	3.36	--
Durum Bu.	7/	7/	7/	3.95	3.85	3.97	--
Other spring Bu.	3.25	3.17	3.53	3.42	3.38	3.64	--
Corn Bu.	2.01	2.20	2.10	2.20	2.34	2.13	6.70
Oats Bu.	1.39	1.29	1.33	1.39	1.33	1.33	3.91
Soybeans Bu.	5.83	6.35	5.74	6.06	6.83	5.77	15.80
All Barley Bu.	2.23	2.01	6/	2.88	2.79	2.56	6.65
Feed Bu.	1.85	1.57	6/	2.27	1.87	1.72	--
Malt Bu.	2.41	2.09	6/	3.10	3.05	2.98	--
Sunflower Cwt.	10.20	11.60	13.00	10.40	13.60	14.00	--
Flaxseed Bu.	5.50	6.21	6/	5.43	6.90	7.05	12.90
Sorghum Cwt.	3/	3/	3/	3.97	4.01	3.38	10.90
All Hay Ton	55.00	59.00	61.00	82.10	89.80	87.70	--
Alfalfa Ton	60.00	62.00	64.00	86.70	97.40	95.50	--
Other Ton	41.00	47.00	50.00	68.20	70.00	65.70	--
Milk, wholesale Cwt.	3/	3/	3/	14.50	15.00	15.10	34.80
Eggs, market Doz.	3/	3/	3/	0.633	0.334	0.351	1.68
Cattle 4/ Cwt.	87.20	90.90	97.30	84.90	88.90	86.30	169.00
Steers & heifers Cwt.	92.70	97.70	103.00	89.30	92.50	89.80	--
Cows Cwt.	47.20	55.50	55.20	44.80	54.70	52.80	--
Calves Cwt.	117.00	143.00	136.00	109.00	131.00	129.00	226.00
All hogs Cwt.	40.30	55.90	52.60	39.70	55.40	53.70	105.00
Barrows & gilts Cwt.	41.60	57.50	54.00	40.10	55.90	54.30	--
Sows Cwt.	31.10	46.00	42.00	30.80	46.90	41.60	--
Sheep Cwt.	35.40	40.20	5/	32.50	38.50	5/	83.10
Lambs Cwt.	108.00	114.00	5/	95.10	97.80	5/	200.00

1/ Full month except hay which is mid-month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Annual average price only. 4/ "Cows" and "Steers & Heifers" combined. 5/ Mid-month prices discontinued January 1996. 6/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 7/ Durum wheat discontinued September 2001 for South Dakota.

COMING UP IN THE NEXT CROP REPORTER:

October Crop Report
 Preliminary Annual Small Grain Summary
 Potatoes—Production, Disposition, & Income
 August Slaughter & Cold Storage

GRAIN STOCKS

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota stocks of corn, soybeans, and sorghum on September 1 were down from last year, but all wheat, barley, and oats were up from a year ago. Total stocks include grain on farms, grain in mills and elevators, grain in government storage bins, and grain stored under the farmer-owned Grain Reserve Program. **All wheat** stocks, at 116.8 million bushels, were up 11 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 75.0 million bushels, up 17 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 41.8 million, were up 2 percent from a year ago.

Corn stocks totaled 40.8 million bushels on September 1, down 21 percent from last year. On-farm stocks contributed 28.0 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 12.8 million bushels, were down 34 percent from last year. Soybean stocks in South Dakota totaled 4.1 million bushels, down 20 percent from last year. On-farm stocks represented 1.6 million bushels, down 36 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 2.5 million, down

5 percent from last year. **Oat** stocks on September 1, at 14.5 million bushels, were up 12 percent from last year. On-farm stocks were 12.0 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks totaled 2.5 million, up 26 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: **Corn** stocks in all positions on September 1, 2004, totaled 958 million bushels, down 12 percent from September 1, 2003. Of the total stocks, 438 million bushels are stored on farms, down 10 percent from a year earlier. **Soybeans** stored in all positions on September 1, 2004, totaled 112 million bushels, down 37 percent from September 1, 2003. This is the lowest ending stocks level since 1977. Soybean stocks stored on farms totaled 29.4 million bushels, down 49 percent from a year ago. **All wheat** stored in all positions on September 1, 2004, totaled 1.94 billion bushels, down 5 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 796 million bushels, up 16 percent from last year.

STOCKS OF GRAIN, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES, SEPTEMBER 1, 2003 & 2004

Crop	On-Farm			Off-Farm			All Positions		
	2003	2004	2004 as % of All Positions	2003	2004	2004 as % of All Positions	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003
	- 1,000 Bushels -		Percent	- 1,000 Bushels -		Percent	- 1,000 Bushels -		Percent
SOUTH DAKOTA									
Corn	32,000	28,000	69	19,363	12,798	31	51,363	40,798	79
Barley	1,500	2,300	--	1/	1/	--	1/	1/	--
Sorghum	1/	1/	--	129	126	--	1/	1/	--
Soybeans	2,500	1,600	39	2,620	2,481	61	5,120	4,081	80
All Wheat	64,000	75,000	64	41,081	41,827	36	105,081	116,827	111
Oats	11,000	12,000	83	1,948	2,454	17	12,948	14,454	112
UNITED STATES									
Corn	484,900	438,000	46	601,773	519,672	54	1,086,673	957,672	88
Barley	141,900	176,500	60	99,730	115,305	40	241,630	291,805	121
Sorghum	4,500	3,700	11	38,530	29,855	89	43,030	33,555	78
Soybeans	58,000	29,400	26	120,329	83,089	74	178,329	112,489	63
All Wheat	687,320	795,600	41	1,351,652	1,146,115	59	2,038,972	1,941,715	95
Oats	82,100	74,800	64	49,637	41,454	36	131,737	116,254	88

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

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