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LIVESTOCK PRICES DOWN FROM LAST YEAR, WHILE CROP PRICES UP

SIoux FALLS, November 27, 2002 – Preliminary November beef and pork prices are down from a year ago, according to USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. Preliminary November crop prices are up from November 2001, with the exception of barley.

The preliminary November, all beef cattle price, at \$72.00, was down \$2.40 from last month and down \$2.60 from last year. Cows were down 30 cents from last month and down \$2.50 from a year ago. Steers and heifers, at \$80.50, were up \$1.00 from October but down \$2.70 from last year. Calves, at \$93.00, were up \$1.40 from last month but down \$5.30 from a year ago.

The preliminary November all hogs price, at \$27.40, was down \$4.70 from last month and down \$8.50 from last year. Barrows and gilts were also down \$5.60 from October and down \$8.90 from last year. Sows were up \$2.20 from October but down \$6.00 from last year.

The preliminary November corn price, at 2.15 was down 6 cents from last month but up 53 cents from last year. The preliminary sunflower price for November, at \$12.70, was up 50 cents from last month and up \$4.14 from last year. The winter wheat price, at \$4.27, was down 30 cents from last month but up \$1.50 from last November. The spring wheat price, at \$4.41, was down 24 cents from last month but up \$1.51 from last year. The November soybean price, at \$5.20, was up 18 cents from last month and up \$1.24 from last year.

The all hay price for November, at \$78.00 per ton, was down \$1.00 from October but up \$13.00 from last year. The alfalfa price, at \$83.00 per ton, was down \$1.00 from last month but up \$14.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$58.00, was down \$4.00 from last month but up \$12.00 from November 2001.

PRICES RECEIVED BY SOUTH DAKOTA FARMERS

COMMODITY	UNIT	November 2001 1/	October 2002 1/	November 2002 2/
----- DOLLARS -----				
Corn	Bu.	1.62	2.21	2.15
Soybeans	Bu.	3.96	5.02	5.20
Sunflower	Cwt.	8.56	12.20	12.70
Wheat, All	Bu.	2.87	4.62	4.36
Winter	Bu.	2.77	4.57	4.27
Other Spring	Bu.	2.90	4.65	4.41
Barley, All	Bu.	2.15	1.84	NA
Feed	Bu.	NA	1.84	NA
Malt	Bu.	2.15	NA	NA
Oats	Bu.	1.90	2.08	2.02
Flaxseed	Bu.	5/	5/	5/
Hay, All	Ton	65.00	79.00	78.00
Alfalfa	Ton	69.00	84.00	83.00
Other	Ton	46.00	62.00	58.00
Cattle, All Beef 3/	Cwt.	74.60	74.40	72.00
Cows	Cwt.	35.60	33.40	33.10
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	83.20	79.50	80.50
Calves 4/	Cwt.	98.30	91.60	93.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	35.90	32.10	27.40
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	37.40	34.10	28.50
Sows	Cwt.	26.00	17.80	20.00
Lambs	Cwt.	58.50	86.00	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	28.30	24.70	NA

1/ Entire month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Over 500 lbs. 4/ Under 500 lbs. 5/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers. NA = Not Available.

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