

# South Dakota PRICES RECEIVED

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## LIVESTOCK PRICES UP FROM LAST YEAR, WHILE CROP PRICES DOWN

**SIoux FALLS, November 28, 2003** – Preliminary November beef and pork prices are up from a year ago, according to USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. Preliminary November crop prices are down from November 2002, with the exception of soybeans and barley.

The preliminary November all beef cattle price, at \$93.30, was down \$3.70 from last month but up \$20.60 from last year. Cows were up 40 cents from last month and up \$16.00 from a year ago. Steers and heifers, at \$103.00, were unchanged from October but up \$21.70 from last year. Calves, at \$114.00, were down \$3.00 from last month but up \$19.60 from a year ago.

The preliminary November all hogs price, at \$37.00, was down \$1.60 from last month but up \$8.20 from last year. Barrows and gilts were also down \$1.60 from October but up \$7.90 from last year. Sows were down 50 cents from October but up \$10.20 from last year.

The preliminary November corn price, at 2.06, was up 11 cents from last month but down 9 cents from last year. The preliminary sunflower price for November, at \$10.40, was down 30 cents from last month and down \$2.10 from last year. The winter wheat price, at \$3.62, was up 31 cents from last month but down 89 cents from last November. The spring wheat price, at \$3.74, was up 27 cents from last month but down 72 cents from last year. The November soybean price, at \$7.22, was up 76 cents from last month and up \$2.04 from last year.

The all hay price for November, at \$61.00 per ton, was up \$3.00 from October but down \$16.00 from last year. The alfalfa price, at \$64.00 per ton, was up \$2.00 from last month but down \$19.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$50.00, was up \$5.00 from last month but down \$8.00 from November 2002.

### PRICES RECEIVED BY SOUTH DAKOTA FARMERS

COMMODITY	UNIT	November	October	November
		2002 1/	2003 1/	2003 2/
----- DOLLARS -----				
Corn	Bu.	2.15	1.95	2.06
Soybeans	Bu.	5.18	6.46	7.22
Sunflower	Cwt.	12.50	10.70	10.40
Wheat, All	Bu.	4.48	3.42	3.70
Winter	Bu.	4.51	3.31	3.62
Other Spring	Bu.	4.46	3.47	3.74
Barley, All	Bu.	1.90	1.99	2.28
Feed	Bu.	NA	1.90	5/
Malt	Bu.	NA	2.09	2.28
Oats	Bu.	2.11	1.35	1.35
Flaxseed	Bu.	5/	6/	6/
Hay, All	Ton	77.00	58.00	61.00
Alfalfa	Ton	83.00	62.00	64.00
Other	Ton	58.00	45.00	50.00
Cattle, All Beef 3/	Cwt.	72.70	97.00	93.30
Cows	Cwt.	33.30	48.90	49.30
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	81.30	103.00	103.00
Calves 4/	Cwt.	94.40	117.00	114.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	28.80	38.60	37.00
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	30.10	39.60	38.00
Sows	Cwt.	20.30	31.00	30.50
Lambs	Cwt.	90.40	112.00	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	34.60	38.40	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. 6/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. NA = Not Available.

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