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## ***CROPLAND RENT CONTINUES TO INCREASE***

**SIoux FALLS, July 12, 2002**— South Dakota's farmers and ranchers paid, on average, \$42.00 per acre rent for non-irrigated cropland in 2002, the highest state average rent since estimates started in 1967, according to USDA's South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service. This year's average rent increased 5 percent over last year's \$40.00, which was 20 cents above the 2000 rent.

South Dakota's producers were paying an average \$10.80 per acre for pastureland rented for cash in 2002. Pastureland rented for cash during 2001 and 2000 both averaged \$11.00 per acre.

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