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COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER AND TOTAL LIVeweIGHTS, APRIL 2003-2004 1/

Class	Number Slaughtered			Total Liveweight		
	Apr. 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	Apr. 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004
	<i>-Thousand Head-</i>			<i>-Thousand Head-</i>		
Virginia						
Cattle	1.0	1.3	1.1	954	1,322	1,148
Calves	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hogs	315.6	358.8	356.1	81,857	91,838	91,298
Sheep & Lamb	0.6	0.6	1.0	57	64	97
United States						
Cattle	2,966.1	2,871.2	2,698.5	3,586,024	3,493,209	3,238,123
Calves	79.1	76.9	70.7	26,617	23,707	23,295
Hogs	8,341.9	9,038.7	8,652.3	2,234,847	2,419,497	2,315,187
Sheep & Lamb	297.3	306.8	256.0	39,015	44,121	34,711

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

VIRGINIA: COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION 1/

State	Apr. 2003	Mar. 2004	Apr. 2004	Apr. 2004 as Percent of: 2/	
				Apr. 2003	Mar. 2004
	<i>-Million Pounds-</i>			<i>-Percent-</i>	
Virginia	62.2	69.8	69.7	112	100

1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. 2 / Percentages based on unrounded data.

STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END, CROP OF 2003 - 2004 1/

Month Ending	Farmer Stock	Shelled Peanuts 2/	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total 3/
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
Aug 2003	79,508	362,015	33,667	481,480	594,655
Sep	503,790	279,008	17,038	371,081	891,909
Oct	1,751,676	310,656	27,898	413,172	2,192,746
Nov	1,876,712	347,835	38,075	462,621	2,377,408
Dec	1,713,440	403,787	41,454	537,037	2,291,931
Jan 2004	1,514,778	486,588	45,364	647,162	2,207,304
Feb	1,321,872	553,751	52,633	736,489	2,110,994
Mar	1,052,508	614,596	69,229	817,413	1,939,150
Apr	804,920	636,132	68,511	846,056	1,719,487
Apr 2003	856,566	591,059	61,534	786,108	1,704,208

1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 3/ Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts X 1.33.

TOTAL FARMER STOCK PEANUTS ON HAND AT MONTH'S END, CROP OF 2003-2004 1/

Month Ending	CCC Uncommitted Stocks	Commercial Stocks			Equivalent
		Restricted Use 2/	Other Commercial	Total	Total Farmer Stock
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
Aug 2003	0	3/	3/	447,016	447,016
Sep	0	3/	3/	582,400	582,400
Oct	0	3/	3/	1,380,798	1,380,798
Nov	0	3/	3/	1,718,116	1,718,116
Dec	0	3/	3/	1,789,856	1,789,856
Jan 2004	0	3/	3/	1,528,196	1,528,196
Feb	0	3/	3/	1,306,634	1,306,634
Mar	0	3/	3/	1,031,400	1,031,400
Apr	0	3/	3/	882,440	882,440
Apr 2003	608,353	3/	3/	1,109,312	1,717,665

1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Purchased from CCC for crushing or export. 3/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

**SHELLED PEANUTS AND ROASTING STOCK (IN SHELL)
ON HAND AT MONTH'S END, CROP OF 2003 - 2004 1/**

Month Ending	Shelled Edibles 2/				Shelled Oil Stocks 3/	Total Shelled	Roasting Stocks 4/
	Virginias	Runners	Spanish	Total			
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>				
Aug 2003	53,209	276,958	20,341	350,508	11,507	363,015	33,667
Sep	45,596	207,214	13,168	265,978	13,030	279,008	17,038
Oct	51,019	229,959	16,742	297,720	12,936	310,656	27,898
Nov	56,285	263,354	16,695	336,334	11,501	347,835	38,075
Dec	75,667	292,873	19,690	388,230	15,557	403,787	41,454
Jan 2004	72,036	376,056	22,402	470,494	16,094	486,588	45,364
Feb	78,170	429,847	28,656	536,673	17,078	553,751	52,633
Mar	86,879	473,657	31,121	591,657	22,939	614,596	69,229
Apr	91,067	486,412	36,338	613,817	22,315	636,132	68,511
Apr 2003	77,158	444,631	43,175	564,964	26,095	591,059	61,534

1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively. 3/ Includes straight run oil stock peanuts. 4/ Cleaned and unshelled.

**FARM LABOR: EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE RATES, VIRGINIA-NORTH CAROLINA AND U.S. 1/,
APRIL 11-17 2004, WITH COMPARISONS**

Farm Employment	VA-NC			UNITED STATES		
	Apr. 6-12, 2003	Jan. 11-17, 2004	Apr. 11-17, 2004	Apr. 6- 12, 2003	Jan. 14-17, 2004	Apr. 11-17, 2004
	<i>-1,000 workers-</i>			<i>-1,000 workers-</i>		
Hired Workers Employed	29	24	27	781	662	825
150 days or more	24	20	26	619	549	648
149 days or less	5	4	7	162	113	177
Agricultural Services						
Workers Working on Farms	2/	2/	2/	157	185	252
Hired Farm & Service	2/	2/	2/	938	847	1,077
Hours Worked						
	<i>Hours Per Week</i>					
Hired	34.7	35.0	36.6	40.1	38.1	40.7
	<i>Dollars Per Hour</i>					
Wage Rates For All Hired Workers 3/ 4/	8.77	9.16	8.82	9.16	9.41	9.22
Type of Worker:						
Field & Livestock Combined	8.24	8.53	8.14	8.49	8.55	8.58
Field	8.18	8.36	8.01	8.40	8.39	8.46
Livestock	8.37	8.76	8.38	8.75	8.83	8.95

* Revised. 1/ Excludes Alaska. 2/Insufficient data for this category. 3/Benefits, such as housing and meals, are provided some workers but the values are not included in the wage rates. 4/ Excludes Agricultural Service workers.



PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS 1/

Commodity	Unit	Virginia			United States			Parity Prices May 2004
		May 2003	Apr. 2004	May 2004	May 2003	Apr. 2004	May 2004	
		<i>-Dollars -</i>			<i>- Dollars -</i>			
Wheat (Winter) 2/	Bu.	3.03	3.53	3.31	3.19	3.79	3.64	10.10
Corn	Bu.	2.85	3.29	3.16	2.38	2.89	2.78	6.78
Barley (All)	Bu.	1.60	1.86	2.22	2.91	2.78	2.79	6.72
Hay, Baled: All 3/	Ton	92.00	92.00	87.00	98.00	89.60	101.00	-
Alfalfa 3/	Ton	120.00	100.00	110.00	100.00	92.70	109.00	-
Other 3/	Ton	89.00	91.00	85.00	88.40	76.00	74.90	-
All Tobacco	Lb.	-	-	-	-	0.660	-	-
Peanuts	Lb.	-	-	-	.196	.201	.210	.662
Soybeans	Bu.	6.25	9.63	9.18	6.07	9.62	9.60	15.90
Apples, For Fresh Use	Lb.	-	-	-	.218	.299	.294	.529
Potatoes	Cwt.	-	-	-	6.96	6.84	6.75	15.30
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	58.90	79.90	80.30	75.50	84.80	88.40	171.00
Cows	Cwt.	37.30	45.00	52.00	42.40	50.50	52.40	-
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	72.20	90.30	97.70	79.60	88.90	92.60	-
Calves	Cwt.	86.00	107.00	111.00	100.00	117.00	122.00	229.00
Hogs (All)	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	41.30	47.40	57.80	106.00
Milk: All, Wholesale 4/ 8/	Cwt.	12.90	17.30	20.70	11.00	18.20	20.30	35.20
Fluid Consumption 8/	Cwt.	12.90	17.30	20.70	11.00	18.20	20.30	-
Manufacture 8/	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	10.20	19.40	20.70	-
Market Eggs 3/ 5/	Doz.	.420	.640	.580	.397	.614	.468	1.70
Broilers, Live 6/	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.340	.480	.500	-
Turkeys, Live 3/ 6/	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.349	.387	.404	1.030

-- No sales indicated. 1/ Current month prices are mid-month prices, other months are entire month prices except where noted. 2/ Parity price is for All Wheat. 3/ All prices are mid-month. 4/ Before deductions for hauling and govt. withholding, but includes bulk tank, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 5/ Includes eggs sold retail by the producer. 6/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers for most states. 7/ Discontinued. 8/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.61 fluid, milk 3.60, mfg. grade 3.77.

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