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## **USDA Seeks Input from Stakeholders on Statistical Programs**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6, 2016 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) today announced plans for the department's annual USDA Data Users' Meeting. At the meeting, statistical and non-statistical agencies will update data users on recent and pending changes in various data and information programs important to agriculture, and will seek comments and input on these programs.

The 2016 meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at 1 p.m. CDT, at the Embassy Suites Downtown Magnificent Mile, 511 North Columbus Drive, Chicago.

NASS organizes the annual meeting for USDA stakeholders. Other participating USDA agencies include the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Economic Research Service (ERS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) and the World Agricultural Outlook Board (WAOB). The U.S. Census Bureau will also participate. Leaders from each agency will provide an overview of current issues and then take questions and comments.

Individuals who wish to attend the 2016 USDA Data Users' Meeting may register online at [www.nass.usda.gov/Education\\_and\\_Outreach/Meeting/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Education_and_Outreach/Meeting/). Registration is open until Friday, October 7, 2016.

Summaries of previous meetings are available at the same website. Please contact Tina Hall at [Tina.Hall@nass.usda.gov](mailto:Tina.Hall@nass.usda.gov) or 202-720-3896 with any questions.

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