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## MINK

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In 2014, Minnesota produced 255,930 **mink pelts**, ranking fifth in the nation for total production. This was an increase of 5 percent over the previous year. Wisconsin retained its number one rank in mink pelt production with 1,268,760 pelts produced. Utah was the second largest producing state with 958,760 pelts. Nationwide, mink pelt production during 2014 totaled 3,763,250 pelts, up 6 percent from 2013.

The percentages of pelts produced in 2014 in Minnesota by color class were: Black at 33 percent, Mahogany at 32 percent, Blue Iris at 16 percent, and Demi/Wild at 10 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 9 percent.

There were 51,210 **females bred to produce kits** in Minnesota in 2015, down 11,700 from the previous year. Wisconsin producers bred 268,690 females while Utah came in second with 211,810 females bred. Nationally, females bred to produce kits in 2015 totaled 853,140.

The U.S. value of pelts produced during the 2014 crop year was \$217 million, up 9 percent from the previous year. The average U.S. price per pelt for the 2014 crop year was \$57.70.

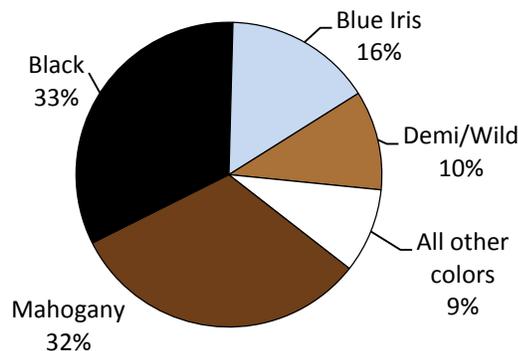
### Mink Females Bred and Pelts Produced – Minnesota and United States: 2011-2015

Year	Females Bred		Pelts Produced <sup>1</sup>	
	MN	US	MN	US
2011.....	53,220	706,000	214,060	3,091,470
2012.....	59,420	769,970	NA	NA
2013.....	NA	NA	244,520	3,544,610
2014.....	62,910	851,530	255,930	3,763,250
2015.....	51,210	853,140		

NA = This data is not available due to the Federal government sequestration.

<sup>1</sup> 2015 Pelts Produced will be available July 2016.

### Mink Pelts Produced by Color, Minnesota, 2014



## CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Minnesota for all feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head totaled 141,000 head on July 1, 2015. This is down 1 percent from last month but up 17 percent from last year. Placements during June totaled 17,000 head, up 3,000 head from last month and up 2,000 head from last year. Marketings for June were 18,000 head, up 3,000 head from last month and last year. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.2 million head on July 1, 2015. The inventory was 2 percent above July 1, 2014. The inventory included 6.91 million steers and steer calves, up 7 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 67 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.33 million head, down 7 percent from 2014. July 1, 2015 heifers and heifer calves inventory is the lowest percent of total July inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during June totaled 1.48 million, 1 percent above 2014. Net placements were 1.41 million head. During June, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 350,000, 600-699 pounds were 250,000, 700-799 pounds were 336,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 545,000. Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 1.75 million, 5 percent below 2014. Marketings are the lowest for June since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 69,000 in June, 8 percent below 2014.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for all feedlots totaled 12.1 million head on July 1, 2015. The inventory was up 2 percent from the July 1, 2014 total of 11.9 million head. Cattle on feed in feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head accounted for 85 percent of the total cattle on feed on July 1, 2015, up slightly from the previous year.

### Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2014-2015

State	Cattle on Feed <sup>1</sup> July 1			Placements during June			Marketings during June			June Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona .....	272	240	88	20	28	140	22	25	114	1	1	100
California .....	435	460	106	45	45	100	40	40	100	5	5	100
Colorado .....	850	830	98	95	80	84	150	125	83	5	15	300
Idaho .....	180	225	125	26	31	119	39	40	103	2	1	50
Iowa .....	620	640	103	54	67	124	70	76	109	4	1	25
Kansas .....	1,900	1,940	102	315	335	106	420	400	95	15	15	100
<b>Minnesota.....</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>
Nebraska .....	2,240	2,280	102	385	375	97	500	480	96	25	15	60
Oklahoma .....	255	260	102	37	38	103	46	52	113	1	1	100
South Dakota ...	195	230	118	31	28	90	45	26	58	1	2	200
Texas .....	2,490	2,480	100	370	375	101	420	385	92	10	10	100
Washington .....	175	215	123	40	30	75	44	44	100	1	1	100
Other States ....	310	295	95	35	32	91	36	36	100	4	1	25
United States ...	10,043	10,236	102	1,468	1,481	101	1,847	1,747	95	75	69	92

<sup>1</sup> Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

### Cattle on Feed, Number on Feed by Class on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – States and United States: 2014-2015

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves		
	July 1, 2014	April 1, 2015	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2014	April 1, 2015	July 1, 2015
	1,000 head			1,000 head		
Arizona .....	268	237	236	4	4	4
California .....	390	410	425	45	35	35
Colorado .....	550	610	560	300	280	270
Idaho .....	100	150	150	80	80	75
Iowa .....	430	520	490	190	150	150
Kansas .....	970	1,190	1,030	930	920	910
<b>Minnesota.....</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>
Nebraska .....	1,470	1,830	1,570	770	700	710
Oklahoma .....	170	200	190	85	85	70
South Dakota ..	115	150	142	80	85	88
Texas .....	1,580	1,680	1,650	910	790	830
Washington ...	100	140	135	75	85	80
Other States ..	210	210	205	100	110	90
United States .	6,448	7,455	6,909	3,595	3,342	3,327

## MONTHLY PRICES

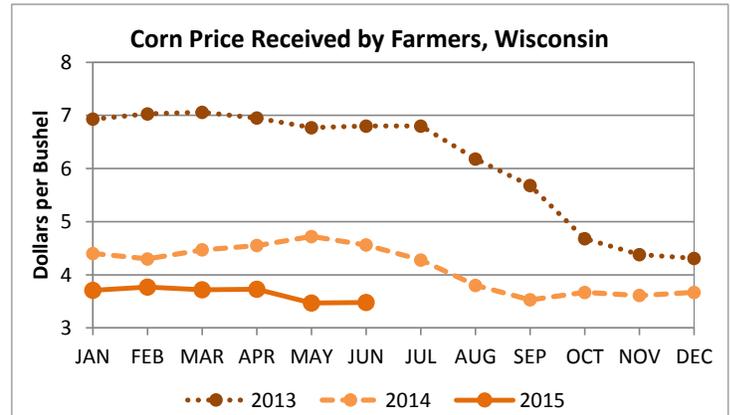
The June 2015 average price received by farmers for corn in Minnesota was \$3.46 per bushel. This was down \$0.10 from the May price, and \$0.92 lower than June 2014.

The June 2015 average price received by farmers for soybeans, at \$9.40 per bushel, was down \$0.10 from the May price, and \$4.80 lower than the June 2014 price.

The June oat price was \$2.88 per bushel, up \$0.27 from May, but \$1.06 below June 2014.

All hay prices in Minnesota averaged \$120.00 per ton in June, down \$16.00 from the May price, and \$33.00 per ton less than June 2014. Alfalfa hay prices fell \$37.00 per ton from one year ago, to \$133.00 and other hay prices were \$22.00 per ton lower than last year, at \$88.00.

The June average price was \$17.90 per cwt for milk, up \$0.10 from May, but \$5.50 per cwt below one year ago. Prices for replacement milk cows averaged \$1,880 as of July 1, 2015.



### Prices Received by Farmers - Minnesota and United States

	Minnesota			United States		
	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Barley, all .....bu	5.95	4.97	5.33	6.01	4.75	4.96
Beans, dry edible .....cwt	(S)	(D)	26.70	35.80	35.70	28.80
Corn .....bu	4.38	3.56	3.46	4.50	3.62	3.58
Hay, all baled .....ton	153.00	136.00	120.00	197.00	175.00	162.00
Alfalfa .....ton	170.00	148.00	133.00	222.00	192.00	178.00
Other .....ton	110.00	96.00	88.00	139.00	134.00	127.00
Oats .....bu	3.94	2.61	2.88	3.73	2.90	2.83
Potatoes .....cwt	9.10	6.95	6.40	10.28	9.40	9.63
Soybeans .....bu	14.20	9.50	9.40	14.30	9.60	9.58
Spring Wheat .....bu	6.53	5.49	4.98	6.60	5.29	5.20
Sunflowers, all .....cwt	(D)	27.10	25.30	22.80	26.40	25.60
Milk, all .....cwt	23.40	17.80	17.90	23.20	16.70	16.90
Milk Cows <sup>1</sup> .....head	1,950.00	(NA)	1,880.00	1,970.00	(NA)	2,030.00

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (S) Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate.

<sup>1</sup> Prices are for July 1, 2014, and July 1, 2015. Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only.

### Livestock Prices Received by Farmers - United States

	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Calves .....cwt	249.00	288.00	292.00
Cattle, all beef .....cwt	147.00	160.00	155.00
Cows <sup>1</sup> .....cwt	106.00	114.00	113.00
Steers & Heifers .....cwt	148.00	161.00	156.00
Hogs, all .....cwt	84.80	58.90	59.90
Barrows & Gilts .....cwt	85.00	60.00	60.80
Sows .....cwt	80.40	31.40	36.80
Eggs (market) .....doz	0.874	1.61	1.93

<sup>1</sup> Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

# SUGARBEETS COUNTY ESTIMATES

Polk County was the largest sugarbeet producing county in 2014, with 2.28 million tons. Wilkin County had the second highest production, with 1.04 million tons.

Polk County had the highest published yield at 25.1 tons per acre. The second highest published yield was 25.0 tons per acre in Swift County. The south central district was the highest yielding district at 26.7 tons per acre.

In 2014, three counties had published yields under 20 tons per acre. Yellow Medicine County recorded the lowest yield at 19.2 tons per acre, while Otter Tail and Kittson Counties yielded 19.4 and 19.8 tons per acre, respectively.

## Sugarbeets: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield and Production, Minnesota by County, 2013-2014

(Some county or district data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. However, this unpublished data is included in "combined counties" or "combined districts.")

County and District	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	(Acres)	(Acres)	(Acres)	(Acres)	(Tons/Acre)	(Tons/Acre)	(Tons)	(Tons)
Becker.....	6,400	6,600	6,400	6,600	25.8	21.5	165,000	142,000
Clay.....	46,500	42,800	45,200	42,200	25.6	20.8	1,157,000	878,000
Kittson.....	28,800	26,700	28,700	26,200	25.2	19.8	722,000	520,000
Mahnomen.....	2,600	3,200	2,600	3,200	22.6	23.4	58,800	75,000
Marshall.....	46,100	40,200	45,900	40,000	24.1	21.0	1,106,000	839,000
Norman.....	39,700	36,000	39,600	35,900	25.9	24.7	1,026,000	888,000
Polk.....	93,000	90,800	92,700	90,700	26.0	25.1	2,409,000	2,277,000
Combined Counties.....	1,400	1,700	1,400	1,700	20.1	22.9	28,200	39,000
<b>Northwest.....</b>	<b>264,500</b>	<b>248,000</b>	<b>262,500</b>	<b>246,500</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>6,672,000</b>	<b>5,658,000</b>
Chippewa.....	31,100	31,100	22,100	30,300	27.8	22.0	614,000	666,000
Grant.....	12,400	11,200	12,400	10,900	24.8	20.7	307,000	226,000
Otter Tail.....	2,900	3,100	2,820	3,000	25.5	19.4	71,900	58,100
Pope.....	2,200	3,900	1,790	3,900	27.5	24.5	49,300	95,400
Stevens.....	6,000	4,600	4,630	4,600	27.4	24.3	127,000	112,000
Swift.....	8,100	7,100	6,110	7,000	28.2	25.0	172,000	175,000
Traverse.....	8,000	8,400	7,910	8,300	23.1	20.6	183,000	171,000
Wilkin.....	52,200	48,800	51,200	48,300	25.3	21.6	1,297,000	1,042,000
Yellow Medicine.....	3,200	3,900	2,880	3,500	27.0	19.2	77,900	67,100
Combined Counties.....	900	900	460	900	25.9	19.3	11,900	17,400
<b>West Central.....</b>	<b>127,000</b>	<b>123,000</b>	<b>112,300</b>	<b>120,700</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>2,911,000</b>	<b>2,630,000</b>
Kandiyohi.....	13,100	15,000	7,620	14,700	29.9	22.1	228,000	325,000
McLeod.....	2,400	2,400	2,020	2,340	25.1	20.2	50,800	47,200
Meeker.....	3,600	1,600	1,660	1,540	33.3	23.6	55,300	36,400
Renville.....	37,800	37,100	27,900	35,800	29.3	21.8	818,000	780,000
Sibley.....	3,300	2,900	3,120	2,800	27.3	24.3	85,100	68,000
Stearns.....	3,200	2,600	2,780	2,520	29.1	21.6	80,800	54,400
<b>Central.....</b>	<b>63,400</b>	<b>61,600</b>	<b>45,100</b>	<b>59,700</b>	<b>29.2</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>1,318,000</b>	<b>1,311,000</b>
Redwood.....	5,500	5,900	4,640	5,770	29.7	23.2	138,000	134,000
Combined Counties.....	600	800	560	730	21.4	21.9	12,000	16,000
<b>Southwest.....</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>6,700</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>28.8</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>
Combined Counties.....	1,000	700	900	600	27.8	26.7	25,000	16,000
<b>South Central.....</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>16,000</b>
<b>Minnesota.....</b>	<b>462,000</b>	<b>440,000</b>	<b>426,000</b>	<b>434,000</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>11,076,000</b>	<b>9,765,000</b>