



# Indiana Agriculture Report

## Red Meat Production

Commercial red meat production in Indiana totaled 154.2 million pounds in April, up 2.5 million pounds from April 2014.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.02 billion pounds in April, up 1 percent from the 3.98 billion pounds produced in April 2014.

Beef production, at 1.93 billion pounds, was 6 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.38 million head, down 8 percent from April 2014. The average live weight was up 32 pounds from the previous year, at 1,338 pounds.

Veal production totaled 6.6 million pounds, 21 percent below April a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 35,400 head, down 27 percent from April 2014. The average live weight was up 24 pounds from last year, at 318 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.07 billion pounds, up 8 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.68 million head, up 9 percent from April 2014. The average live weight was down 3 pounds from the previous year, at 284 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.6 million pounds, was down 10 percent from April 2014. Sheep slaughter totaled 198,200 head, 11 percent below last year. The average live weight was 138 pounds, up 1 pound from April a year ago.

January to April 2015 commercial red meat production was 15.9 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2014. Accumulated beef production was down 4 percent from last year, veal was down 23 percent, pork was up 7 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 2 percent.

### Indiana Commercial Slaughter, April 2015

Species	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
Cattle	2.9	2.9	3,127	3,105	1,068	1,065
Calves	0.4	0.4	135	143	340	358
Hogs	694.3	716.3	196,372	200,473	283	280
Sheep	5.1	5.0	560	544	110	108

## Winter Wheat Production

Indiana wheat growers continue to expect a slightly lower wheat yield than in 2014. Indiana wheat growers expect to harvest 305,000 acres, down 30,000 acres from last year. Wheat production in the State is expected to be 22.6 million bushels. The yield forecast of 74 bushels would be 2 bushels below the previous year.

U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.51 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 9 percent from 2014. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 44.5 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last month and up 1.9 bushels from last year.

### Crop Summary, June 2015

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Wheat, winter						
Planted.....1,000 acres	460	390	340	43,230	42,399	40,751
Harvested.....1,000 acres	435	335	305	32,650	32,304	33,838
Yield.....Bushels	73.0	76.0	74.0	47.3	42.6	44.5
Production .....1,000 bu	31,755	25,460	22,570	1,542,902	1,377,526	1,505,072

## April Agricultural Prices

Prices received by Indiana farmers for the full month of April 2015 are listed in the table below. Some Indiana highlights were: April corn, at \$3.84 per bushel, decreased \$0.10 from March and decreased \$1.02 from last year; April soybeans, at \$9.94 per bushel, decreased \$0.16 from last month and decreased \$4.66 from last year; April wheat, at \$4.83 per bushel, decreased \$0.64 from March and decreased \$1.50 from last year; April milk, at \$17.00 per cwt., increased \$0.30 from last month, and decreased \$8.50 from last year.

The April Prices Received Index (Agricultural Production), at 104, increased 2.0 percent from March. The Crop Production Index, at 89, increased 3.5 percent. At 116, the

Livestock Production Index decreased 0.9 percent. Producers received higher prices for broilers, cattle, onions, and hay but lower prices for market eggs, hogs, corn, and oranges. In addition to prices, the indexes are impacted by the five-year average monthly mix of commodities producers market. Increased monthly movement of strawberries, milk, broilers, and oranges offset the decreased marketing of corn, cattle, soybeans, and hay.

The Prices Received Index is down 9.6 percent from the previous year. The Food Commodities Index, at 111, increased 0.9 percent from the previous month but is down 11 percent from April 2014.

### Prices Received by Farmers<sup>1</sup>, April 2015

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	Apr 2014	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	Apr 2014	Mar 2015	Apr 2015
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Corn .....dollars/bu	4.86	3.94	3.84	4.71	3.81	3.75
Soybeans .....dollars/bu	14.60	10.10	9.94	14.30	9.84	9.70
Wheat, winter .....dollars/bu	6.33	5.47	4.83	7.07	5.55	5.50
Milk, all .....dollars/cwt	25.50	16.70	17.00	25.30	16.60	16.50
Milk cow replacements <sup>2</sup> .....dollars/head	1,750.00		1,900.00	1,810.00		1,970.00

<sup>1</sup> Entire month weighted average price.

<sup>2</sup> Quarterly weighted average price for the months February to April

## Milk Production and Income

Cash receipts from marketings of milk by Indiana producers were \$939.2 million in 2014, up 18.7 percent from 2013. The average price of milk sold was \$24.30 per cwt, up \$3.50 from 2013. Milk production in Indiana during 2014 was 3.89 billion pounds, compared with 3.83 billion

pounds in 2013. The milk cow herd averaged 178,000 head, up 2,000 from 2013. Milk per cow was 21,865 pounds, up from 21,761 in 2013. Indiana ranked fourteenth among States in milk production in 2014.

### Milk: Production, Utilization, Marketings, and Value, 2013-2014

Item	Unit	2013	2014
<b>Production</b>			
Total milk produced on farms	Mil. Lbs.	3,830	3,892
Milkfat produced	Mil. Lbs.	143.6	144.0
Milkfat	Percent	3.75	3.70
<b>Utilization</b>			
Milk used where produced			
Fed to calves	Mil. Lbs.	23	23
Used for milk, cream, and butter	Mil. Lbs.	4	4
Milk marketed by producers			
Average return per 100 lbs. of milk	Dollars	20.80	24.30
Average return per pound milkfat	Dollars	5.55	6.57
Fluid grade	Percent	100	100
Total cash receipts	1,000 dol.	791,024	939,195
<b>Value</b>			
Value of milk used where produced <sup>1</sup>	1,000 dol.	5,616	6,561
Total value of milk produced	1,000 dol.	796,640	945,756

<sup>1</sup> Includes value of milk fed to calves and milk used by farm households.

## April Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 336 million pounds of milk during April, up 3.4 percent from a year ago. The daily rate per cow was 61.8 pounds, up 0.3 pound from April 2014. The dairy herd was estimated at 181,000 head for April, up 5,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in April by Indiana dairy producers was \$17.00 per cwt., \$8.50 less than the price in April 2014.

## Indiana Dairy Summary, April 2015

Item	2013	2014	2015
Cows ..... 1,000 Hd	( <sup>2</sup> )	176	181
Milk per cow ..... Lb/day	( <sup>2</sup> )	61.5	61.8
Production ..... Mil lbs	328	325	336
Milk price, all ..... Dol/cwt	20.00	25.50	17.00
Fat test ..... Pct	3.79	3.67	3.70
Protein <sup>1</sup> ..... Pct	3.11	3.10	3.08

<sup>1</sup> FMO 33

<sup>2</sup> Due to sequestration, only total milk production was published.

## Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Indiana totaled 26.1 million during April down 4 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 607 million eggs, down 6 percent from last year. The rate of lay during April was 2,324 eggs per 100 layers. On May 1, in the East North Central Region, which includes Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Wisconsin, there were 10

million egg-type eggs in incubators, down 8 percent from a year earlier. In the same region, there were 14.6 million broiler-type eggs in incubators, up 2 percent from the previous year. There were 23.3 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in April, up 2 percent from the previous year.

### Egg and hatchery production, April 2015

Item	Unit	2014	2015	Percent change
<b>Indiana</b>				
All layers	Thou	27,258	26,119	-4
Eggs per hundred layers	Num	2,374	2,324	-2
Eggs produced	Mil	647	607	-6
<b>East North Central Region</b>				
Eggs in incubators, May 1				
Egg-type	Thou	10,864	10,007	-8
Broiler type	Thou	14,355	14,639	2
<b>U.S.</b>				
All Layers	Thou	360,826	358,455	-1
Eggs per hundred layers	Num	2,274	2,291	1
Eggs produced	Mil	8,205	8,212	0
Turkey Eggs in incubators, May 1	Thou	29,017	26,895	-7
Turkey Poults hatched, Apr	Thou	22,800	23,262	2

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