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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office. Thank you for your response to these surveys.

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Nebraska Cattle on Feed Up 2 Percent

Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.54 million cattle on feed on February 1, up 2 percent from last year and 8 percent above February 1, 2005. This equals last month's inventory which was the highest inventory since the series began in 1994. Placements of cattle into feedlots during January totaled 420,000 head, down 1 percent from both 2006 and 2005. Fed cattle marketings for the month of January totaled 405,000 head, up 14 percent from last year and 13 percent above 2005. Other disappearance during January totaled 15,000 head compared with 10,000 head during January 2006 and 15,000 head during January 2005.

U.S. Cattle on Feed Down 3 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.7 million head on February 1, 2007. The inventory was 3 percent below February 1, 2006 but 3 percent above February 1, 2005. Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.69 million, 23 percent below 2006 and 10 percent below 2005. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.84 million, up 2 percent from 2006 and up 4 percent from 2005. Other disappearance totaled 97,000 during January, 17 percent above 2006 and 33 percent above 2005.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2005-2006

State	February 1 Number on Feed ¹			January Placements			January Marketings			January Other Disappearance ²		
	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	346	334	97	39	33	85	26	32	123	1	1	100
California	550	540	98	71	64	90	62	72	116	9	2	22
Colorado	1,110	1,040	94	225	155	69	185	200	108	10	15	150
Idaho	265	255	96	46	43	93	51	47	92	5	1	20
Iowa	520	530	102	81	76	94	69	64	93	2	2	100
Kansas	2,580	2,430	94	570	365	64	465	445	96	25	30	120
Nebraska	2,490	2,540	102	425	420	99	355	405	114	10	15	150
New Mexico	146	135	92	18	8	44	13	8	62	2	1	50
Oklahoma	375	350	93	65	50	77	57	48	84	3	2	67
South Dakota	210	230	110	38	50	132	32	42	131	1	3	300
Texas	3,030	2,800	92	540	340	63	420	390	93	10	20	200
Washington	153	177	116	33	27	82	31	33	106	1	1	100
Other States	335	365	109	48	59	123	44	55	125	4	4	100
United States	12,110	11,726	97	2,199	1,690	77	1,810	1,841	102	83	97	117

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**Milk Cows: Licensed Dairy Operations, Number, and Milk Produced by Quarter,
Nebraska and United States, 2005-2006**

State and Month	Licensed Dairy Operations		Milk Cows		Production per Cow		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>Number</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
Nebraska								
January - March			60	60			268	277
April - June			60	61			279	289
July - September			60	61			263	275
October - December			60	61			267	277
Annual	405	380	60	61	17,950	18,328	1,077	1,118
United States - Annual	64,540	61,990	9,043	9,112	19,565	19,951	176,929	181,798

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, February 16, 2007

Chickens: Inventory By Type, Nebraska and United States, December 1, 2005-2006

Item	Nebraska			United States		
	2005	2006	2006/2005	2005	2006	2006/2005
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Percent</i>
All Chickens	13,813	13,165	95	453,301	453,036	100
Total Layers	11,891	11,606	98	348,203	348,719	100
Total pullets	1,922	1,559	81	96,809	96,087	99
Other chickens	0	0		8,289	8,230	99

Source: USDA NASS Chickens and Eggs 2006 Summary, February 2007

Eggs: Production, Average Number and Eggs per Layer, Nebraska and United States 2005-2006

Item	Nebraska		United States	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Eggs Produced (<i>million</i>)	3,217	3,129	90,027	90,877
Average Number of Layers (<i>thousand</i>)	11,987	11,718	343,792	346,078
Eggs per Layer (<i>number</i>)	268	267	262	263

Source: USDA NASS Chickens and Eggs 2006 Summary, February 2007

**Fall Potatoes: 2006 Production and
February 1, 2007 Stocks¹**

State	Crop of 2006	
	Production	Total Stocks Feb. 1, 2007
	<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>
California	3,783	1,300
Colorado	22,686	13,100
Idaho	121,820	64,500
Maine	18,270	11,500
Michigan	14,190	5,100
Minnesota	20,400	9,700
Montana	3,518	3,400
Nebraska	8,633	3,900
New York	5,700	1,100
North Dakota	25,480	12,000
Oregon	18,533	11,700
Washington	89,900	36,500
Wisconsin	29,370	14,000
Total 13 States	382,283	187,800

¹Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crops.

Source: USDA NASS Potato Stocks, February 15, 2007

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Crop Summary: Marketing Year Average Price and Value of Production, Nebraska and United States, 2004-2006

Crop	Prod. Unit	Price			Value of Production		
		2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006
Nebraska		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
Corn for Grain	Bushels	2.02	1.92	3.15	2,665,794	2,439,360	3,710,700
Soybeans	Bushels	5.54	5.55	5.90	1,210,490	1,306,082	1,477,950
All Hay (baled)	Ton	50.50	49.50	87.00	323,853	337,970	489,325
Alfalfa Hay (baled)	Ton	51.00	50.00	88.00	232,713	231,250	363,000
All Other Hay (baled)	Ton	49.00	46.00	81.50	91,140	106,720	126,325
Winter Wheat	Bushels	3.23	3.36	4.65	197,192	230,630	284,580
All Potatoes	Cwt.	5.20	8.45	7.35	48,298	69,670	63,453
Sorghum for Grain	Cwt.	3.08	3.05	5.60	55,832	37,149	60,211
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	22.80	17.30	19.60	54,173	66,951	53,469
Sugar Beets ²	Ton	39.90	43.10		41,895	39,824	
Proso Millet	Bushels	3.05	3.35	3.90	10,294	14,656	9,438
Sunflower (all)	Cwt.	14.40	14.10	12.90	7,763	19,998	8,075
Sunflower (oil)	Cwt.	13.00	11.60	12.90	4,550	9,419	4,799
Sunflower (non-oil)	Cwt.	17.00	17.40	13.00	3,213	10,579	3,276
Oats	Bushels	1.51	1.63	1.90	5,134	7,139	4,285
Barley ¹	Bushels	1.80			292		
United States							
Corn for Grain	Bushels	2.06	2.00	3.20	24,381,294	22,198,472	33,837,454
Soybeans	Bushels	5.74	5.66	6.20	17,894,948	17,269,138	19,693,861
All Hay (baled)	Ton	92.00	98.20	109.00	12,211,868	12,584,783	13,506,119
Alfalfa Hay (baled)	Ton	98.60	104.00	113.00	6,973,371	7,342,000	7,520,716
All Other Hay (baled)	Ton	74.60	81.40	95.00	5,238,497	5,242,783	5,985,403
All Wheat	Bushels	3.40	3.42	4.25	7,283,324	7,171,441	7,721,028
Winter Wheat	Bushels	3.32	3.32	4.20	4,948,510	4,954,276	5,397,432
All Potatoes	Cwt.	5.66	7.06	7.42	2,574,785	2,991,495	3,225,744
Sugar Beets ²	Ton	36.90	43.50		1,109,272	1,193,151	
Sorghum for Grain	Cwt.	3.19	3.33	5.90	843,464	737,038	871,885
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	25.70	18.50	20.00	452,871	516,420	517,621
Barley	Bushels	2.48	2.53	2.85	698,184	527,633	497,573
Sunflower (all)	Cwt.	13.70	12.10	14.00	272,732	487,654	301,901
Sunflower (oil)	Cwt.	12.80	10.50	13.60	223,836	340,584	242,779
Sunflower (non-oil)	Cwt.	17.20	17.30	16.70	48,896	147,070	59,122
Oats	Bushels	1.48	1.63	1.85	178,327	195,150	174,288
Proso Millet	Bushels	2.83	3.19	3.85	42,611	43,660	39,225

¹ Estimates discontinued in 2005. ² Estimates for 2006 published in July 2007.

Note: All prices in this report are marketing year average prices which do not include allowances or adjustments for commodities under government loan at the end of the marketing year, commodities forfeited to the Commodity Credit Corporation, loan deficiency payments, direct and counter cyclical payments or disaster payments.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Values 2006 Summary, February 2007

2006 county data for wheat and oats is now available at: http://www.nass.usda.gov/QuickStats/Create_County_All.jsp

2006 county data for corn, soybeans, sorghum, and sunflowers will be available after March 1.

Winter Wheat: Acres Planted to Each Variety, Nebraska, 1999-2007

Variety	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>								
Jagalene (AgriPro)					2	84	310	429	651
Pronghorn	149	121	191	178	196	192	210	182	238
Wesley		1	19	36	68	109	102	104	141
Alliance	197	264	280	275	218	252	187	182	140
Millennium			1	57	116	205	197	172	140
Goodstreak						1	31	67	70
Buckskin	94	51	82	103	139	91	68	91	68
Arapahoe	474	346	234	215	165	127	97	52	39
Thunderbolt (AgriPro)				2	38	55	35	34	39
Jagger	21	51	42	55	74	53	58	45	33
Karl (all)	105	77	72	54	72	60	49	49	31
TAM 111							1	22	31
2137	68	143	182	132	196	144	80	64	28
Dumas (AgriPro)								2	27
Centura	145	121	65	55	34	39	45	35	26
2145						1	1	18	22
Wahoo				1	34	32	34	32	21
Overly								1	20
Abilene (AgriPro)	52	47	44	21	27	31	32	2	20
Ogallala (AgriPro)	23	25	38	25	68	45	37	25	19
Other Public	421	415	411	351	370	264	222	129	90
Other Private	151	89	90	93	85	67	56	68	56
Total Planted	1,900	1,750	1,750	1,650	1,900	1,850	1,850	1,800	1,950

¹ Less than one percent, included in Other Public. ² Less than one percent, included in Other Private.

Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Wheat Varieties, February 2007

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