



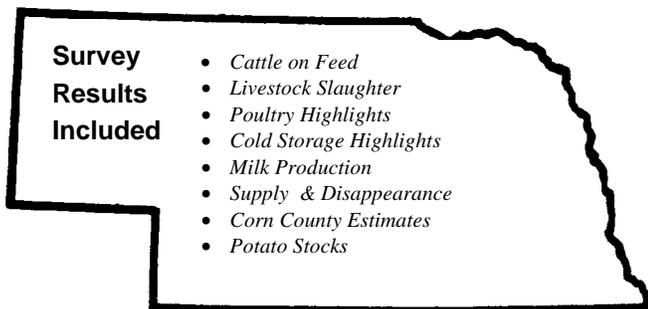
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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

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 3 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.48 million cattle on feed on April 1, up 3 percent from last year and 10 percent above April 1, 2005. This is the largest April 1 inventory since the series began in 1994. Placements of cattle into feedlots during March totaled 350,000, up 4 percent from 2006 and 17 percent above March 2005. Fed cattle marketings for the month of March totaled 370,000 head, the same as last year and 6 percent above March two years ago. Other disappearance during March totaled 10,000 compared with 15,000 during March 2006 and 10,000 during March 2005.

U.S. Cattle on Feed Down 1 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.6 million head on April 1, 2007. The inventory was 1 percent below April 1, 2006 but 7 percent above April 1, 2005. This is the second highest April 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.97 million, 7 percent above 2006 and 12 percent above 2005. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.85 million, down 6 percent from both 2006 and 2005. Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during March, 20 percent below 2006 but 6 percent above 2005.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2006-2007

State	April 1 Number on Feed ¹			March Placements			March Marketings			March Other Disappearance ²		
	2006	2007	$\frac{2007}{2006}$	2006	2007	$\frac{2007}{2006}$	2006	2007	$\frac{2007}{2006}$	2006	2007	$\frac{2007}{2006}$
	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	
Arizona	351	340	97	30	46	153	28	33	118	2	2	100
California	535	530	99	59	68	115	68	65	96	6	3	50
Colorado	1,070	1,020	95	155	165	106	165	145	88	10	10	100
Idaho	250	245	98	42	38	90	45	42	93	2	1	50
Iowa	500	530	106	55	72	131	73	70	96	2	2	100
Kansas	2,590	2,480	96	480	510	106	470	430	91	30	20	67
Nebraska	2,400	2,480	103	335	350	104	370	370	100	15	10	67
New Mexico	139	131	94	21	19	90	23	17	74	2	1	50
Oklahoma	360	350	97	68	68	100	72	67	93	1	1	100
South Dakota	210	230	110	36	40	111	35	37	106	1	3	300
Texas	2,940	2,800	95	485	520	107	540	495	92	15	15	100
Washington	152	163	107	26	26	100	27	32	119	1	1	100
Other States	315	345	110	45	43	96	42	45	107	3	3	100
United States	11,812	11,644	99	1,837	1,965	107	1,958	1,848	94	90	72	80

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 loss, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, April 20, 2007

Commercial Livestock Slaughter

March 2007 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. March 2006 contained 23 weekdays and four Saturdays. March 2007 contained 22 weekdays and five Saturdays.

Livestock Slaughter: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, March 2007 with Comparisons

Item	Total ¹	March 2007 Percent of	
		Mar 2006	Feb 2007
Nebraska	<i>1,000 Head</i>		
Cattle, head	532.8	95	101
Hogs, head	638.9	105	116
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	550.3	95	102
United States			
Cattle, head	2,792.6	98	109
Calves, head	70.8	120	106
Hogs, head	9,203.2	100	113
Sheep & Lambs, head	278.6	112	136
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	4,011.9	98	111

¹ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, April 20, 2007

Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Nebraska and United States, March 2007 with Comparisons

Item	2006	2007	2007/2006
	<i>Millions</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Number of Layers			
Nebraska	11.8	11.2	95
United States	350.5	346.4	99
Table Eggs Produced			
Nebraska	275	257	93
United States	6,732	6,646	99
Chickens Hatched, March			
United States			
Egg-type	38.8	40.5	104
Broiler	817.8	810.7	99

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs, April 23, 2007

Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United States, March 2007 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks	March 2007 Percent of	
		Mar 2006	Feb 2007
	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		
Total red meats	959,800	100	100
Beef	432,571	99	95
Pork	505,649	100	105
Poultry	952,130	76	102
Turkey	352,054	93	113
Chicken	594,415	68	96

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage, April 20, 2007

Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska, 23 Selected States and United States, 2006-2007

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		23 States		United States	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>	
Milk Cows ¹						
January-March	60	60	8,209	8,280	9,092	9,128
	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
Milk Production ²						
January-March	277	284	41,644	42,134	45,547	45,999

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, April 18, 2007

U.S. Grains Supply and Disappearance Outlook

Crop Year	Supply				Market Year Disappearance ¹				Market Year Ending Stocks	Average Market Price
	Pro-duction	Begin-ning stocks	Im-ports	Total	Domestic		Ex-ports	Total		
					Primary Use ²	Other				
	<i>Million Bushels</i>									<i>\$/Bu.</i>
Corn										
2004/05	11,807	958	11	12,776	6,158	2,686	1,818	10,662	2,114	2.06
2005/06	11,114	2,114	9	13,237	6,141	2,981	2,147	11,270	1,967	2.00
2006/07 ³	10,535	1,967	10	12,512	5,850	3,535	2,250	11,635	877	3.00-3.20
Soybeans										
2004/05	3,124	112	6	3,242	1,696	192	1,097	2,986	256	5.74
2005/06	3,063	256	3	3,322	1,739	187	947	2,873	449	5.66
2006/07 ³	3,188	449	4	3,642	1,765	182	1,080	3,027	615	6.10-6.50
Wheat										
2004/05	2,158	546	71	2,775	910	260	1,066	2,235	540	3.40
2005/06	2,105	540	82	2,727	915	231	1,009	2,155	571	3.42
2006/07 ³	1,812	571	115	2,498	925	252	900	2,077	422	4.20-4.30
Sorghum										
2004/05	454	34	0	487	191	55	184	430	57	1.79
2005/06	393	57	0	450	140	50	195	384	66	1.86
2006/07 ³	278	66	0	343	110	45	140	295	48	3.20-3.40

¹ Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. ² Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crushing; Wheat = Food. ³ Projection. Source: USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, April 10, 2007

**Corn: Harvested, Yield and Production
by County and District, Nebraska, 2006¹**

County and District	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Harvested Acre		Total Production	County and District	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Harvested Acre		Total Production
		Irrigated	Dryland				Irrigated	Dryland	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>		<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>
Banner	8,000	140.0	37.0	780,100	Butler	135,500	169.0	99.0	18,314,500
Box Butte	42,700	173.0	38.0	6,941,600	Cass	116,800	192.0	125.0	14,734,000
Cheyenne	19,000	170.0	36.0	2,801,200	Colfax	97,800	179.0	121.0	14,240,800
Dawes	700	161.0		112,700	Dodge	133,700	180.0	130.0	20,261,000
Deuel	13,900	165.0	19.0	1,986,900	Douglas	25,300	164.0	125.0	3,388,700
Garden	17,500	175.0	41.0	2,660,500	Hamilton	176,100	192.0	91.0	32,346,700
Kimball	12,100	149.0	44.0	1,529,900	Lancaster	116,300	179.0	118.0	14,241,900
Morrill	54,500	176.0		9,561,800	Merrick	122,800	178.0	86.0	21,150,000
Scotts Bluff	78,100	156.0	40.0	12,090,800	Nance	72,300	184.0	105.0	10,933,200
Sheridan	18,200	150.0	37.0	2,504,000	Platte	189,800	190.0	117.0	31,382,700
Sioux	10,800	175.0		1,890,000	Polk	116,100	176.0	115.0	18,847,600
NORTHWEST	275,500	165.1	36.6	42,859,500	Sarpy	32,500	169.0	116.0	3,960,800
Arthur	2,100	174.0		365,400	Saunders	168,900	183.0	111.7	22,916,400
Blaine	1,100	145.0		159,500	Seward	124,100	170.0	88.0	16,505,000
Boyd	20,600	190.0	46.0	1,379,600	Washington	81,100	183.0	142.0	11,922,100
Brown	31,100	181.0		5,579,300	York	190,400	185.0	73.0	32,480,000
Cherry	9,300	185.0		1,653,300	EAST	1,899,500	182.1	115.5	287,625,400
Garfield	9,400	165.0	30.0	1,443,000	Chase	136,800	202.0	61.0	25,659,600
Grant					Dundy	77,800	200.0	47.0	13,265,000
Holt	136,600	193.0	43.0	25,178,800	Frontier	70,300	180.0	65.0	8,709,500
Hooker					Hayes	55,400	197.0	43.0	7,864,600
Keya Paha	6,500	176.0	27.0	1,024,800	Hitchcock	43,500	187.0	53.0	4,503,100
Logan	19,700	191.0	50.0	2,860,300	Keith	75,900	183.0	23.0	11,537,700
Loup	5,600	151.0		806,300	Lincoln	174,800	180.0	46.0	28,489,200
McPherson	3,700	177.0		654,900	Perkins	154,200	200.0	36.0	22,689,200
Rock	19,500	175.0		3,352,500	Red Willow	60,300	187.0	56.0	6,402,900
Thomas	400			60,000	SOUTHWEST	849,000	191.6	48.3	129,120,800
Wheeler	28,400	184.0	60.0	4,965,200	Adams	157,200	182.0	96.0	26,701,200
NORTH	294,000	186.0	45.1	49,482,900	Franklin	62,500	183.0	86.0	10,021,300
Antelope	148,300	200.0	73.0	25,913,500	Furnas	72,700	167.0	49.0	7,019,700
Boone	153,200	181.0	93.0	23,751,600	Gosper	68,700	193.0	64.0	11,272,500
Burt	122,500	175.0	127.0	17,160,700	Harlan	75,800	184.0	75.0	10,611,800
Cedar	148,900	182.0	91.0	18,527,600	Kearney	140,900	194.0	107.0	25,759,900
Cuming	148,900	190.0	138.0	22,097,800	Phelps	153,000	192.0	78.0	28,350,000
Dakota	56,700	203.0	134.0	8,287,800	Webster	63,700	175.0	59.0	7,180,300
Dixon	80,100	188.0	116.0	10,328,400	SOUTH	794,500	186.9	71.7	126,916,700
Knox	105,400	198.0	84.0	12,114,000	Clay	135,200	181.0	65.0	21,432,000
Madison	125,800	183.0	112.0	18,236,000	Fillmore	152,900	187.0	73.0	24,796,100
Pierce	122,400	192.0	92.0	18,030,800	Gage	124,800	187.0	122.0	17,201,600
Stanton	73,300	192.0	111.0	9,408,000	Jefferson	76,800	182.0	111.0	11,229,900
Thurston	86,100	182.0	125.0	11,269,800	Johnson	35,800	186.0	90.0	3,903,600
Wayne	105,400	182.0	101.0	12,152,000	Nemaha	75,500	186.0	104.0	8,311,200
NORTHEAST	1,477,000	188.5	110.3	207,278,000	Nuckolls	75,600	171.0	76.0	8,880,600
Buffalo	178,800	192.0	94.0	32,144,200	Otoe	115,800	171.0	124.0	14,504,900
Custer	196,300	187.0	46.0	31,039,900	Pawnee	38,500	185.0	101.0	4,182,500
Dawson	185,900	185.4	66.0	33,769,400	Richardson	89,000	185.0	137.0	12,241,000
Greeley	67,500	165.0	55.0	9,861,500	Saline	106,600	197.0	91.0	15,350,400
Hall	178,900	192.0	93.0	33,309,300	Thayer	110,500	177.0	96.0	17,314,800
Howard	87,700	175.0	64.0	14,270,800	SOUTHEAST	1,137,000	183.4	107.8	159,348,600
Sherman	67,100	187.0	68.0	10,893,600	NEBRASKA	7,750,000	184.8	101.0	1,178,000,00
Valley	61,300	178.0	48.0	10,079,400					
CENTRAL	1,023,500	185.5	64.9	175,368,100					

¹Missing data included in district and state totals.

Note: County estimates for other Nebraska crops are available at http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Nebraska/index.asp

Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

Potato Stocks

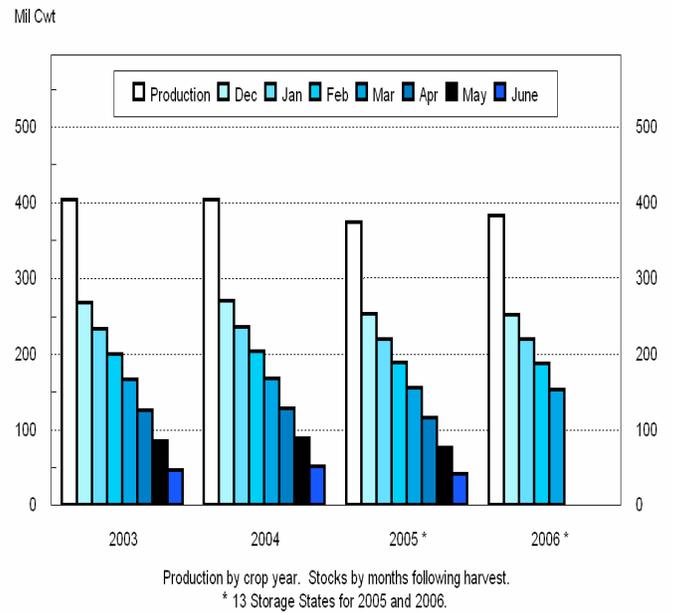
Fall Potatoes: 2006 Production and April 1, 2007 Stocks¹

State	Crop of 2006	
	Production	Total Stocks April 1, 2007
	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>
California	3,783	800
Colorado	22,686	9,000
Idaho	121,820	41,000
Maine	18,270	7,900
Michigan	14,190	2,000
Minnesota	20,400	5,600
Montana	3,518	1,900
Nebraska	8,633	2,200
New York	5,700	400
North Dakota	25,480	7,200
Oregon	18,533	7,600
Washington	89,900	21,000
Wisconsin	29,370	7,000
Total 13 States	382,283	113,600

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

Source: USDA NASS Potato Stocks, April 13, 2007

Fall Potatoes: Production and Stocks 15 Storage States



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