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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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Mid-Year Acreage Highlights

As of June 1, Nebraska corn growers planted 9.1 million acres in 2007, up 12 percent from last year and the largest planted area since 1936. Biotechnology varieties accounted for 79 percent of the planted acreage, up from 76 percent last year. Nebraska soybean producers planted 4.0 million acres, down 21 percent from 2006. The 2007 plantings are the lowest since 1998. Biotechnology varieties resistant to herbicides accounted for 96 percent of the planted acreage, up from 90 percent last year. Last fall, winter wheat was sown on 2.1 million acres, up 17 percent from 2006 and the largest planted area since 1996.

Sorghum growers planted 260,000 acres, 30 percent less than 2006 and the lowest planted area since 1932. Alfalfa hay acreage for harvest, at 1.2 million acres, is down 4 percent from last year. Other types of hay, at 1.55 million acres, are unchanged from a year earlier. Proso Millet plantings, at 190,000 acres, are up 41 percent from 2006. Oat seedings, at 125,000 acres, are down 22 percent from 2006. Dry edible bean producers planted 100,000 acres, down 29 percent from a year earlier. Sugarbeet plantings of 48,000 acres are down 22 percent from 2006. Sunflower acreage of 22,000 is down 59 percent from a year ago.

Crop Summary: Acres Planted and Harvested, Nebraska and United States, 2005-2007

Crop	Nebraska				United States			
	2005	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>	2005	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>
	1,000 Acres			Percent	1,000 Acres			Percent
Planted Acreage								
Corn	8,500	8,100	9,100	112	81,779	78,327	92,888	119
Soybeans	4,700	5,050	4,000	79	72,032	75,522	64,081	85
Sorghum	340	370	260	70	6,454	6,522	7,765	119
Oats	150	160	125	78	4,246	4,168	3,860	93
Proso Millet	135	135	190	141	565	580	610	105
Dry Beans	175	140	100	71	1,630.0	1,629.8	1,498.5	92
Sugar Beets	48.4	61.3	48.0	78	1,299.8	1,366.2	1,263.0	92
Winter Wheat	1,850	1,850	2,100	114	40,433	40,575	45,136	111
Sunflower - Oil	60	34	14	41	2,104	1,658	1,540	93
- Non-oil	39	19	8	42	605	292	324	111
- All	99	53	22	42	2,709	1,950	1,864	96
Acres for Harvest ¹								
Corn	8,250	7,750	8,700	112	75,117	70,648	85,418	121
Soybeans	4,660	5,010	3,950	79	71,251	74,602	63,285	85
Sorghum	250	240	150	63	5,736	4,937	6,698	136
Oats	60	55	30	55	1,823	1,576	1,612	102
Proso Millet	125	110	²		515	475	²	
Dry Beans	172	124	95	77	1,533.6	1,537.6	1,423.4	93
Sugar Beets	45.3	57.8	45.0	78	1,242.9	1,303.6	1,217.5	93
All Hay	2,850	2,800	2,750	98	61,729	60,807	61,789	102
Winter Wheat	1,760	1,700	2,000	118	33,794	31,117	37,588	121
Sunflower - Oil	58	31	13	42	2,032	1,514	1,465	97
- Non-oil	38	18	8	44	578	256	300	117
- All	96	49	21	43	2,610	1,770	1,765	100

¹Forecasted. ² Estimates to be released January 2008 in Annual Crop Production Summary.

Source: USDA NASS Acreage June 29, 2007

Grain Stocks

Nebraska corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2007 totaled 369 million bushels, down 26 percent from June 1, 2006. Soybeans stored in all positions totaled a record high 107 million bushels, up 42 percent from 2006. Wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2007 totaled 13.6 million bushels, down 18 percent from a year ago and the lowest since 1952.

U.S. corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2007, totaled 3.53 billion bushels, down 19 percent from June 1, 2006. Soybeans stored in all positions totaled 1.09 billion bushels, up 10 percent from last year and the largest June 1 stocks on record. All wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2007, totaled 456 million bushels, down 20 percent from a year ago.

Grain Stocks: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, 2005-2007

Grain and Position	Nebraska				United States			
	June 1, 2005	June 1, 2006	June 1, 2007	<u>2007</u> 2006	June 1, 2005	June 1, 2006	June 1, 2007	<u>2007</u> 2006
	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>			<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>			<i>Percent</i>
Corn								
On Farms	290,000	275,000	180,000	65	2,462,300	2,350,500	1,826,600	78
Off Farms ¹	221,217	225,781	188,516	83	1,858,513	2,011,199	1,707,101	85
Total	511,217	500,781	368,516	74	4,320,813	4,361,699	3,533,701	81
All Wheat								
On Farms	1,600	1,600	700	44	161,275	111,010	73,190	66
Off Farms ¹	14,467	14,893	12,864	86	378,825	460,180	382,503	83
Total	16,067	16,493	13,564	82	540,100	571,190	455,693	80
Soybeans								
On Farms	17,500	27,500	37,000	135	356,100	495,500	500,000	101
Off Farms ¹	27,143	47,809	69,895	146	343,174	495,199	591,085	119
Total	44,643	75,309	106,895	142	699,274	990,699	1,091,085	110
Sorghum								
On Farms	2,600	2,200	1,100	50	16,000	12,650	5,380	43
Off Farms ¹	9,966	7,106	7,532	106	97,170	102,213	69,498	68
Total	12,566	9,306	8,632	93	113,170	114,863	74,878	65
Oats								
On Farms	550	790	350	44	25,350	25,190	18,400	73
Off Farms ¹	2	2	2		32,592	27,376	32,784	120
Total	2	2	2		57,942	52,566	51,184	97

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

² Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Source: USDA NASS Grain Stocks, June 29, 2007

Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary June 2007 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States				
		Jun 2006 ¹	May 2007 ¹	Jun 15, 2007	Jun 2006 ¹	May 2007 ¹	Jun 15, 2007	% of Parity	Parity Price ²
Wheat, All	Bushels	\$4.23	\$ 4.66	\$ 5.15	\$ 3.98	\$ 4.88	\$ 5.28	49	\$10.80
Corn	Bushels	2.06	3.49	3.65	2.14	3.49	3.77	47	7.99
Oats	Bushels	2.09	3.14	3.00	1.90	2.49	2.55	57	4.48
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	3.74	6.06	6.55	3.95	6.48	6.60	48	13.70
Soybeans	Bushels	5.42	6.94	7.35	5.62	7.13	7.57	43	17.70
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	67.00	98.00	96.00	109.00	138.00	131.00		
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	68.00	99.00	96.00	115.00	144.00	137.00		
Other, Baled	Ton	58.00	92.00	92.00	90.10	116.00	111.00		
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	17.40	25.10	25.30	19.00	24.40	24.80	44	56.60
Hogs	Cwt.	55.00	55.50	55.10	53.80	53.00	52.50	43	121.00
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	55.40	55.90	55.40	54.80	53.90	53.20		
Sows	Cwt.	35.30	35.50	38.50	33.10	33.90	36.60		
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	84.40	96.70	92.00	84.00	93.20	89.70	43	211.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	85.60	98.10	93.30	88.20	98.10	94.00		
Cows	Cwt.	47.00	52.70	50.00	46.80	51.60	50.00		
Calves	Cwt.	135.00	127.00	130.00	135.00	126.00	125.00	41	304.00
Sheep	Cwt.	28.70	29.80		28.20	30.30			102.00
Lambs	Cwt.	90.60	96.60		92.10	96.60			248.00

¹ Entire month average except hay.

² Parity price based on data for June 2007.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, June 28, 2007

Hogs and Pigs

Nebraska inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007, was 3.05 million head. This was 2 percent above June 1, 2006 but unchanged from March 1, 2007. Breeding inventory, at 360,000 head, was 1 percent below from June 1, 2006 but unchanged from last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 2.69 million head, was 2 percent above last year but unchanged from last quarter.

Inventory of all hogs and pigs in the United States was 62.8 million head on June 1, 2007. This was up 2 percent from both June 1, 2006 and March 1, 2007. Breeding inventory, at 6.12 million head, was up 1 percent from last year and up 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 56.6 million head, was up 2 percent from both last year and last quarter.

Hogs and Pigs: June 1 Inventory, Sows Farrowing and Pig Crop, Nebraska and United States 2006-2007¹

Item	Nebraska			United States		
	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
June 1 Inventory						
All hogs and pigs	3,000	3,050	102	61,687	62,750	102
Breeding	365	360	99	6,060	6,116	101
Market	2,635	2,690	102	55,627	56,634	102
Market Hogs & Pigs						
Under 60 pounds	1,000	1,010	101	20,808	21,182	102
60-119 pounds	700	710	101	13,692	13,894	101
120-179 pounds	550	550	100	11,485	11,624	101
180 pounds and over	385	420	109	9,643	9,934	103
Sows Farrowing						
December-February ²	175	175	100	2,840	2,885	102
March-May	180	180	100	2,927	2,966	101
December-May ²	355	355	100	5,767	5,851	101
June-August ³	175	180	103	2,912	2,958	102
September-November ³	185	180	97	2,949	2,960	100
June-November ³	360	360	100	5,862	5,918	101
Pig Crop						
December-February ²	1,601	1,610	101	25,661	26,210	102
March-May	1,647	1,665	101	26,579	27,141	102
December-May ²	3,248	3,275	101	52,240	53,351	102
June-August	1,601			26,518		
September-November	1,711			26,857		
June-November	3,312			53,375		

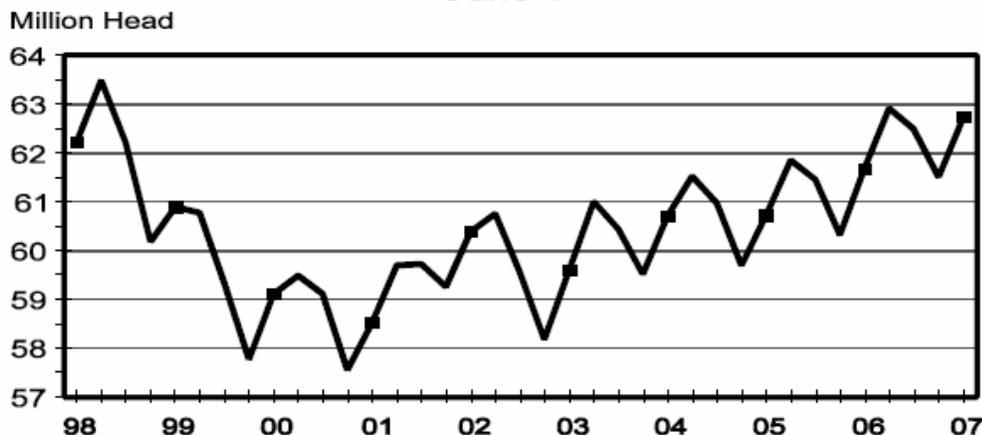
¹May not add due to rounding.

²December preceding year.

³Intentions for 2007.

Source: USDA NASS Quarterly Hog and Pigs, June 29, 2007

U.S. Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory June 1



Commercial Livestock Slaughter

May 2007 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. May 2006 contained 23 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays. May 2007 contained 23 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays.

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

Item	Total ¹	May 2007 Percent of	
		May 2006	Apr 2007
<i>1,000 Head</i>			
Nebraska			
Cattle, head	625.0	96	121
Hogs, head	605.1	102	103
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	606.6	95	117
United States			
Cattle, head	3,051.0	100	113
Calves, head	59.0	104	104
Hogs, head	8,760.0	103	103
Sheep & Lambs, head	218.2	97	101
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	4,075.1	100	109

¹ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter June 22, 2007

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

Commodity	Stocks	May 2007 Percent of	
		May 2006	Apr 2007
<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>			
Total red meats	923,528	98	95
Beef	410,659	92	99
Pork	490,609	103	93
Poultry	1,001,712	80	103
Turkey	399,708	86	111
Chicken	594,467	77	98

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage June 22, 2007

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

Item	2006	2007	2007/2006
Number of Layers			
Nebraska	11.6	11.0	95
United States	345.2	340.7	99
Table Eggs Produced			
Nebraska	258	242	94
United States	6,520	6,449	99
Chickens Hatched, May			
United States			
Egg-type	39.7	38.5	97
Broiler	812.1	837.4	103

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs June 22, 2007

Thanks !

Thank you to the many Nebraska farmers and ranchers who participated in the USDA NASS midyear surveys. This publication highlights the results of those efforts. This basic supply data on crop acreage, grain stocks, and hog inventories is a significant piece of the information grain and livestock buyers and sellers utilize to ensure fair, efficient markets, reducing overall price volatility.

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