



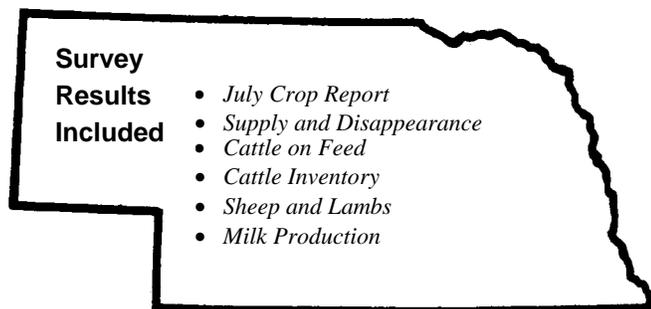
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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

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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July 2009 Wheat and Oat Production Forecast

Based on July 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2009 winter wheat crop is forecast at 78.2 million bushels, up 9 percent from last month's forecast and 6 percent above last year's crop. Average yield is forecast at 48 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from last month, 4 bushels over last year and equal to the record high in 1999.

Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 1.63 million acres, unchanged from the June

Acres report but 2 percent less than last year. Wheat harvest began near the end of June, about a week behind average.

Oat production is forecast at 1.58 million bushels, down 36 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at 25,000 acres, is down 29 percent from 2008. Yield, at 63 bushels per acre, is forecast to be 7 bushels per acre below a year ago.

Winter Wheat and Oats: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, Nebraska, and United States, 2007-2009

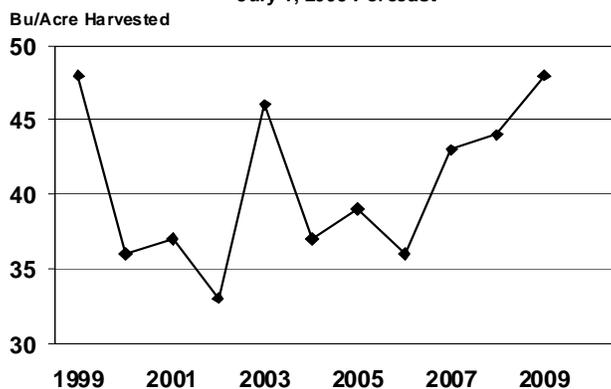
Crop	Nebraska			United States			
	2007	2008	2009 ¹	2007	2008	2009 ¹	
Winter Wheat							
Harvested for Grain ²	Percent	95.6	95.4	95.9	79.8	85.6	80.1
For harvest	1,000 Acres	1,960	1,670	1,630	35,938	39,614	34,787
Yield	Bushels	43.0	44.0	48.0	41.7	47.2	43.8
Production	1,000 Bushels	84,280	73,480	78,240	1,499,241	1,867,903	1,524,771
Oats							
Harvested for Grain ²	Percent	29.2	36.8	25.0	40.0	43.4	45.2
For harvest	1,000 Acres	35	35	25	1,504	1,395	1,426
Yield	Bushels	61.0	70.0	63.0	60.1	63.5	64.0
Production	1,000 Bushels	2,135	2,450	1,575	90,430	88,635	91,277

¹ Forecast. ² Percent of seeded acreage.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, July 10, 2009

Nebraska Wheat Yield

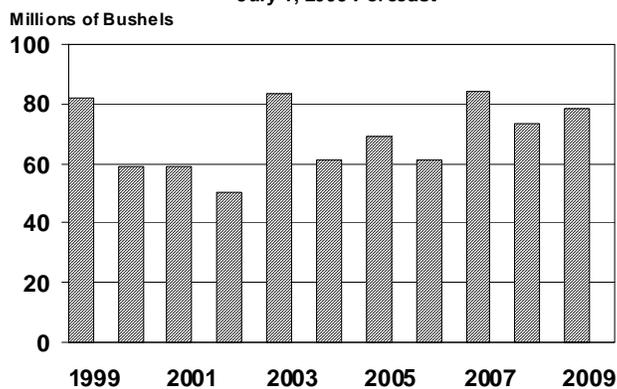
July 1, 2009 Forecast



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, July 10, 2009

Nebraska Wheat Production

July 1, 2009 Forecast



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, July 10, 2009

Winter Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, Selected States and United States, 2008-2009

State	Acres Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2008	2009 ¹	2008	2009 ¹	2008	2009 ¹
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
Colorado	1,900	2,400	30.0	37.0	57,000	88,800
Kansas	8,900	8,800	40.0	41.0	356,000	360,800
Missouri	1,160	720	48.0	51.0	55,680	36,720
Montana	2,420	2,350	39.0	37.0	94,380	86,950
Nebraska	1,670	1,630	44.0	48.0	73,480	78,240
Oklahoma	4,500	3,600	37.0	21.0	166,500	75,600
South Dakota	1,890	1,600	55.0	45.0	103,950	72,000
Texas	3,300	2,450	30.0	27.0	99,000	66,150
Washington	1,720	1,620	56.0	60.0	96,320	97,200
United States	39,614	34,787	47.2	43.8	1,867,903	1,524,771

¹ Forecasted July 1, 2009.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, July 10, 2009

U.S. Grains Supply and Disappearance Outlook

Crop Year	Supply				Market Year Disappearance ¹				Market Year Ending Stocks	Average Market Price
	Begin-ning stocks	Pro-duction	Im-ports	Total	Domestic		Ex-ports	Total		
					Primary Use ²	Other				
<i>Million Bushels</i>										
<i>\$/bu.</i>										
Corn										
2007/08	1,304	13,038	20	14,362	5,938	4,363	2,436	12,737	1,624	4.20
2008/09	1,624	12,101	15	13,740	5,250	4,920	1,800	11,970	1,770	3.95-4.15
2009/10 ³	1,770	12,290	15	14,075	5,200	5,375	1,950	12,525	1,550	3.35-4.15
Soybeans										
2007/08	574	2,677	10	3,261	1,803	91	1,161	3,056	205	10.10
2008/09	205	2,959	15	3,179	1,655	154	1,260	3,070	110	10.00
2009/10 ³	110	3,260	10	3,380	1,680	175	1,275	3,130	250	8.30-10.30
Wheat										
2007/08	456	2,051	113	2,620	947	103	1,264	2,314	306	6.48
2008/09	306	2,500	125	2,930	922	326	1,015	2,263	667	6.78
2009/10 ³	667	2,112	115	2,894	955	308	925	2,188	706	4.80-5.80
Sorghum										
2007/08	32	497	0	530	164	35	278	477	53	4.08
2008/09	53	472	0	525	230	110	135	475	50	3.10-3.30
2009/10 ³	50	380	0	430	150	90	140	380	50	2.85-3.55

¹Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. ²Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crushing; Wheat = Food. ³Projection.

Source: USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, July 10, 2009

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2008-2009**

State	July 1 Number on Feed ¹			June Placements			June Marketings			June Other Disappearance ²		
	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008	2008	2009	<u>2009</u> 2008
	<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	356	287	81	32	21	66	40	34	85	1	1	100
California	520	460	88	52	43	83	55	51	93	2	2	100
Colorado	820	910	111	85	125	147	175	190	109	10	5	50
Idaho	200	200	100	33	32	97	47	36	77	1	1	100
Iowa	500	520	104	41	59	144	60	67	112	1	2	200
Kansas	2,080	1,920	92	330	305	92	430	455	106	10	10	100
Nebraska	2,050	1,920	94	290	270	93	475	440	93	15	20	133
New Mexico	154	94	61	32	17	53	27	27	100	1	1	100
Oklahoma	300	295	98	57	44	77	61	58	95	1	1	100
So. Dakota	185	205	111	21	25	119	38	39	103	3	1	33
Texas	2,660	2,490	94	460	380	83	480	490	102	10	10	100
Washington	140	146	104	28	30	107	32	39	122	1	1	100
Other States	330	305	92	57	40	70	58	63	109	4	2	50
United States	10,295	9,752	95	1,518	1,391	92	1,978	1,989	101	60	57	95

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.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, July 24, 2009

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, United States, July 1, 2008-2009

Class	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	<i>Percent</i>		
Cattle and calves	103,300	101,800	99
Cows and heifers that have calved	42,000	41,400	99
Beef cows	*32,650	32,200	99
Milk cows	*9,350	9,200	98
Heifers 500 pounds and over	16,300	16,100	99
For beef cow replacement	4,600	4,500	98
For milk cow replacement	3,900	3,900	100
Other heifers	7,800	7,700	99
Steers 500 pounds and over	14,700	14,400	98
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,100	2,100	100
Calves under 500 pounds	28,200	27,800	99
Calf crop	36,113	35,600	99
Cattle on Feed	12,200	11,600	95

¹ Preliminary. Source: USDA NASS Cattle, July 24, 2009

Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class, United States, July 1, 2008-2009

Class	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
All Sheep and Lamb	7,270	7,050	97
Breeding Sheep and Lambs	4,400	4,280	97
Replacement Lambs			
Under One Year Old and Older	630	630	100
Ewes – One Year Old and Older	3,590	3,470	97
Rams – One Year Old and Older	180	180	100
Market	2,870	2,770	97

Source: USDA NASS Sheep and Goats, July 24, 2009

Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska and United States, 2007-2008

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		United States	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Milk Cows ¹				
January-March	57	61	9,286	9,295
April-June	57	62	9,315	9,262
Milk Production ²	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>
January-March	265	294	47,610	47,363
April-June	265	302	48,774	48,826

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

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, July 19, 2009

Milk Cows and Production: By Month, 23 Selected States, 2008-2009¹

Month	Milk Cows ²		Milk per Cow ³		Milk Production ³		
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	8,445	8,504	1,747	1,753	14,750	14,907	101
February	8,457	8,486	1,656	1,606	14,007	13,627	97
March	8,467	8,481	1,794	1,794	15,191	15,211	100
April	8,482	8,481	1,757	1,759	14,901	14,916	100
May	8,496	8,473	1,819	1,833	15,451	15,529	101
June	8,500	8,444	1,736	1,746	14,760	14,741	100
July	8,515		1,744		14,848		
August	8,515		1,718		14,626		
September	8,510		1,650		14,041		
October	8,512		1,700		14,469		
November	8,519		1,654		14,089		
December	8,519		1,729		14,728		
Annual	8,495		20,704		175,861		

¹ 2009 previous month revised. ² Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ³ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, July 19, 2009

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