



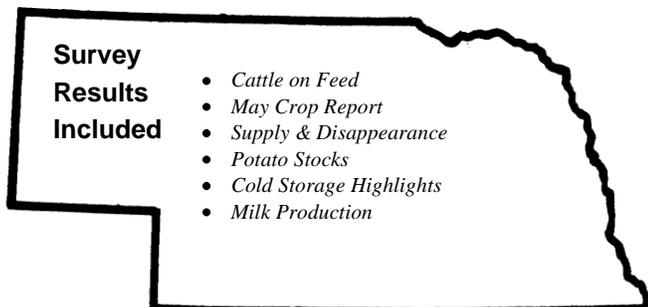
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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

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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Director

Nebraska Cattle on Feed Up 6 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.37 million cattle on feed on May 1. The inventory was up 6 percent from last year. Placements of cattle into feedlots during April totaled 370,000 head, down 7 percent from 2010. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 370,000 head, down 15 percent from last year. Other disappearance during April totaled 10,000 head, compared to 15,000 head in 2010.

U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 7 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on May 1, 2011. The inventory was 7 percent above May 1, 2010. Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.80 million, 10 percent above 2010. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.81 million, 3 percent below 2010. Other disappearance totaled 59,000 during April, 35 percent below 2010.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2010-2011

State	May 1 Number on Feed ¹			April Placements			April Marketings			April Other Disappearance ²		
	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010
	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	
Arizona	268	282	105	16	25	156	24	18	75	2	1	50
California	410	450	110	54	57	106	54	55	102	5	2	40
Colorado	940	1,100	117	170	165	97	145	150	103	15	5	33
Idaho	210	230	110	27	34	126	21	23	110	1	1	100
Iowa	600	640	107	76	69	91	72	76	106	4	3	75
Kansas	2,130	2,170	102	315	380	121	405	385	95	20	15	75
Nebraska	2,240	2,370	106	400	370	93	435	370	85	15	10	67
Oklahoma	325	355	109	57	76	133	70	74	106	2	2	100
So. Dakota	235	255	109	39	31	79	38	39	103	1	2	200
Texas	2,510	2,750	110	400	510	128	510	530	104	20	10	50
Washington	175	205	117	29	28	97	24	33	138	1	1	100
Other States	385	393	102	51	50	98	59	54	92	5	7	140
United States	10,428	11,200	107	1,634	1,795	110	1,857	1,807	97	91	59	65

¹Cattle 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. ²Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, May 20, 2011

2011 Wheat Production Down 12 Percent from Last Year

Based on May 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2011 winter wheat crop is forecast at 56.7 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year's crop. Average yield is forecast at 42 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from last year but 1 bushel above the ten-year average.

Acreage to be harvested for grain is estimated at 1.35 million acres, down 140,000 acres or 9 percent from last year.

This would be 90 percent of the planted acres, below last year and the ten-year average. The May 1 wheat condition was rated 47 percent good to excellent, below both last year and average. As of May 1, subsoil moisture supplies were below last year and the five-year average.

May 1 Hay Stocks Up from Last Year

May 1 hay stocks of 1.3 million tons are up 34 percent from last year, 27 percent above the ten-year average and the largest since 2005.

Winter Wheat and Hay Stocks: Comparative Data, Nebraska and United States, 2009-2011

Classification	Nebraska			United States			
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
Winter Wheat							
Harvested for Grain ²	Percent	94.1	93.1	90.0	79.6	85.0	77.7
For harvest	1,000 Acres	1,600	1,490	1,350	34,510	31,749	32,039
Yield	Bushels	48.0	43.0	42.0	44.2	46.8	44.5
Production	1,000 Bushels	76,800	64,070	56,700	1,524,608	1,485,236	1,424,357
All Hay Farm Stocks	1,000 Tons	935	1,000	1,335	22,065	20,931	22,217

¹ Winter wheat forecasted May 1, 2011. ² Percent of seeded acreage.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, May 11, 2011

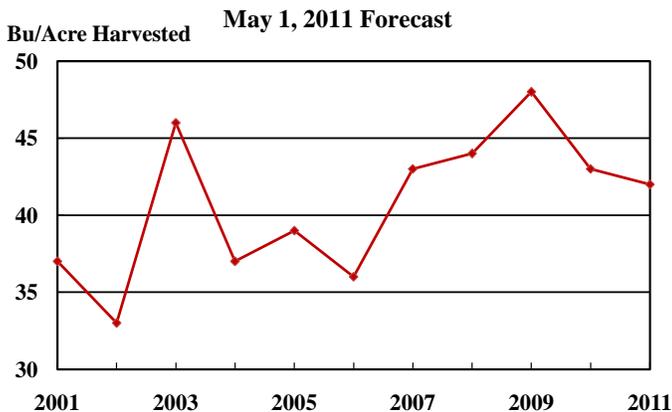
Winter Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, Selected States and United States, 2010-2011

State	Acres Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2010	2011 ¹	2010	2011 ¹	2010	2011 ¹
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
Colorado	2,350	2,150	45.0	30.0	105,750	64,500
Kansas	8,000	7,700	45.0	34.0	360,000	261,800
Missouri	280	720	45.0	52.0	12,600	37,440
Montana	1,950	2,150	48.0	44.0	93,600	94,600
Nebraska	1,490	1,350	43.0	42.0	64,070	56,700
Oklahoma	3,900	3,400	31.0	22.0	120,900	74,800
South Dakota	1,300	1,550	49.0	46.0	63,700	71,300
Texas	3,750	1,800	34.0	26.0	127,500	46,800
Washington	1,710	1,770	69.0	65.0	117,990	115,050
United States	31,749	32,039	46.8	44.5	1,485,236	1,424,357

¹ Forecasted May 1, 2011.

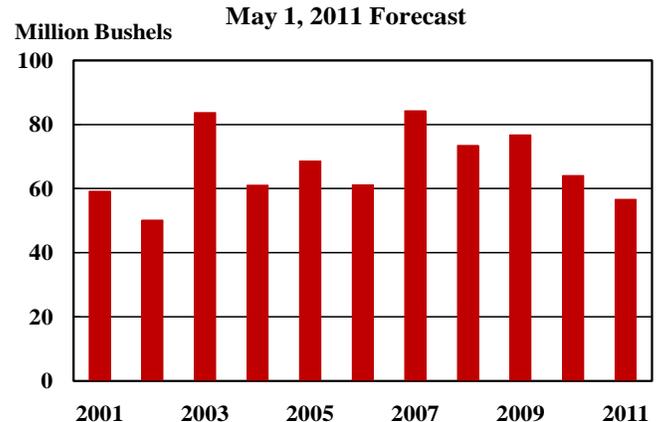
Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, May 11, 2011

Nebraska Wheat Yield



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, May 11, 2011

Nebraska Wheat Production



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, May 11, 2011

U.S. Grains Supply and Disappearance Outlook

Crop Year	Supply				Market Year Disappearance ¹					Market Year Ending Stocks	Average Market Price
	Beginning stocks	Pro-duction	Im-ports	Total	Domestic			Ex-ports	Total		
					Primary Use ²	Ethanol & By-products ³	Other				
<i>Million Bushels</i>											<i>\$/Bu.</i>
Corn											
2009/10	1,673	13,092	8	14,774	5,140	4,568	1,371	1,987	13,066	1,708	3.55
2010/11 ⁴	1,708	12,447	25	14,180	5,150	5,000	1,400	1,900	13,450	730	5.10-5.40
2011/12 ⁵	730	13,505	20	14,255	5,100	5,050	1,405	1,800	13,355	900	5.50-6.50
Soybeans											
2009/10	138	3,359	15	3,512	1,752		108	1,501	3,361	151	9.59
2010/11 ⁴	151	3,329	15	3,495	1,650		125	1,550	3,325	170	11.40
2011/12 ⁵	170	3,285	15	3,470	1,655		115	1,540	3,310	160	12.00-14.00
Wheat											
2009/10	657	2,218	119	2,993	919		217	881	2,018	976	4.87
2010/11 ⁴	976	2,208	110	3,294	930		250	1,275	2,455	839	5.65
2011/12 ⁵	839	2,043	110	2,992	945		295	1,050	2,290	702	6.80-8.20
Sorghum											
2009/10	55	383	0	438	140		90	166	396	41	3.22
2010/11 ⁴	41	345	0	387	120		95	140	355	32	5.15-5.45
2011/12 ⁵	32	320	0	352	90		95	130	315	37	5.00-6.00

¹ Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. ² Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crushing; Wheat = Food. ³ Corn used to produce ethanol and by-products including distillers' grains, corn gluten feed, corn gluten meal, and corn oil. ⁴ Estimate. ⁵ Projection. Source: USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, May 11, 2011

Fall Potatoes: 2010 Production and May 1, 2011 Stocks¹

State	Crop of 2010	
	Production	Total Stocks May 1, 2011
	<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>
California	2,280	350
Colorado	21,528	4,300
Idaho	114,440	30,000
Maine	15,892	3,800
Michigan	15,660	900
Minnesota	17,010	3,300
Montana	3,673	500
Nebraska	7,719	1,100
New York	5,120	200
North Dakota	22,000	3,700
Oregon	20,058	4,900
Washington	81,740	10,300
Wisconsin	24,293	2,300
Total 13 States	351,413	65,650

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

Source: USDA NASS Potato Stocks, May 13, 2011

Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United States, April 2011 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks 1,000 lbs.	Percent of	
		April 2010	March 2011
Total red meat	1,005,710	115	97
Beef	442,792	120	99
Pork	545,804	113	95
Poultry	1,115,625	106	108
Turkey	364,404	86	112

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage, May 20, 2011

2011 Midyear Surveys

Interviewers will begin visiting and telephoning producers May 28. These midyear surveys are the basis for the official USDA statistics on planted area, grain and oilseeds stored, and hog inventories.

If contacted, please take a few minutes to respond by mail, internet or phone. Your response ensures accurate official USDA statistics. Individual information is kept strictly confidential, by law.

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USDA RELEASE DATES

Jun 24, 2:00 pm CDT Quarterly Hogs & Pigs
Jun 30, 7:30 am CDT Acreage
Jun 30, 7:30 am CDT Grain Stocks

Survey results will be available on the Internet at <http://www.nass.usda.gov> within minutes after the release.

Milk Cows and Production: By Month, 23 Selected States, 2010-2011

Month	Milk Cows ¹		Milk per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	Change from 2010
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
January	8,319	8,404	1,784	1,810	14,839	15,213	2.5
February	8,323	8,405	1,642	1,664	13,670	13,987	2.3
March	8,329	8,426	1,848	1,870	15,389	15,757	2.4
April	8,337	8,434	1,825	1,834	15,213	15,468	1.7
May	8,347		1,893		15,804		
June	8,356		1,817		15,186		
July	8,375		1,829		15,316		
August	8,369		1,792		14,998		
September	8,371		1,730		14,481		
October	8,372		1,767		14,796		
November	8,373		1,722		14,421		
December	8,387		1,791		15,025		
Annual	8,355		21,440		179,138		

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

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, May 18, 2011

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