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FEATURING:	Planting Intentions	Ag. Prices	Cash Receipts	Grain Storage & Capacity
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OHIO SOYBEAN ACREAGE UP FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Based on a March 1 prospective plantings survey, Ohio farmers intend to increase the amount of soybean and hay acreage in 2008 while decreasing the winter wheat, oats, and tobacco acreage.

Ohio corn producers intend to plant 3.30 million acres this spring, even from the previous year. Ohio soybean acreage is forecast at 4.60 million acres for 2009, up 100,000 acres from last year.

Winter wheat acreage for 2009 is estimated at 1.02 million acres, 100,000 acres less than was seeded the previous year. The State's oat acreage decreased 5,000 acres from last year to 70,000 acres.

Ohio hay producers expect to harvest a total of 1.18 million acres, up 4 percent from the previous year. This includes alfalfa, grain, and all other types of hay. Burley tobacco acreage is forecast at 3,200 acres in 2009, down 200 acres from 2008.

U.S. Corn growers intend to plant 85.0 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2009, down 1 percent from last year as lower corn prices and unstable input costs are discouraging some growers from planting corn. If realized, this will be the second consecutive year-over-year decrease since 2007 but will still be the third largest acreage since 1949, behind 2007 and 2008. Expected acreage is down from last year in many States, however, producers in the 10 major corn producing States

(Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin) collectively intend to plant 66.3 million acres, up slightly from the 66.1 million acres planted last year.

U.S. Soybean producers intend to plant 76.0 million acres in 2009, up slightly from last year. If realized, the U.S. planted area would be the largest on record. Acreage increases of 100,000 acres or more are expected in Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Carolina, North Dakota, and Ohio. The largest decreases are expected in Missouri and South Dakota, both 150,000 acres less than 2008. If realized, the planted acreage in Kansas and New York will be the largest on record, and the planted acreage in North Dakota will tie the previous record high.

U.S. all wheat planted area is estimated at 58.6 million acres, down 7 percent from 2008. The 2009 winter wheat planted area, at 42.9 million acres, is 7 percent below last year but up 2 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 30.9 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 8.38 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.65 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2009 is expected to total 13.3 million acres, down 6 percent from 2008. Of this total, about 12.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. The expected Durum planted area for 2009 is 2.45 million acres, down 10 percent from the previous year.

AREA PLANTED IN 2008 & INTENTIONS TO PLANT IN 2009, OHIO & U.S.

Crop	Ohio			United States		
	2008	2009	09/08	2008	2009	09/08
	Thousand Acres		Percent	Thousand Acres		Percent
Corn	3,300	3,300	100	85,982	84,986	99
Soybeans	4,500	4,600	102	75,718	76,024	102
Winter Wheat	1,120	1,020	91	46,281	42,889	93
All Wheat	1,120	1,020	91	63,147	58,638	93
Oats Planted	75	70	93	3,217	3,400	106
All Hay	1,140	1,180	104	60,062	60,297	100
Tobacco	3,400	3,200	94	354,190	353,200	100

OHIO CORN AND WINTER WHEAT PRICES UP FROM FEBRUARY

Ohio's March corn price of \$4.25 per bushel is up 10 cents from February but 53 cents below the previous March price of \$4.78 per bushel. The State's March soybean price of \$9.63 per bushel is down 33 cents from February, and \$1.87 below what was received at the same time last year. The March winter wheat price of \$4.39 per bushel is up 10 cents from February but \$5.55 below the March 2008 average price of \$9.94. The alfalfa hay price in March of \$183.00 per ton is down \$3.00 from February and unchanged from the price received one year ago. Other hay at \$115.00 per ton decreased \$1.00 per ton from February, and decreased \$4.00 per ton from March 2008.

The March beef cattle price in Ohio of \$77.20 per cwt. is unchanged from February but \$7.00 per cwt. lower than the March 2008 average price. The steer and heifer price of \$81.10 per cwt. is unchanged from February but \$7.00 per cwt. lower than the March 2008 average price. The March cow price of \$42.00 per cwt. is 30 cents per cwt. higher than February but \$7.40 lower than it was last year at this time. Calves, at \$91.20 per cwt. are unchanged from the previous month and \$11.80 below the previous March price. Ohio's March hog price of \$42.20 per cwt. is up 50 cents from February and \$6.50 more than was received the previous March. The March sow price of \$41.80 per cwt. is down 70 cents from the

previous month but \$18.50 more than was received at the same time last year. The March barrow and gilt price of \$42.20 per cwt. is up 50 cents from the previous month and \$4.80 more than was received in March 2008. The March milk price of \$12.00 per cwt. is down \$1.10 from February and \$7.30 below the March 2008 price of \$19.30 per cwt. The March egg price of 64.0 cents per dozen is up 1.3 cents from February.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in March, at 126 percent, based on 1990-92=100, was unchanged from February. The Crop Index is up 1 point (0.7 percent) but the Livestock Index decrease 1 point (0.9 percent). Producers received higher prices for corn, lettuce, snap beans, and tomatoes and lower prices for broilers, soybeans, strawberries, and celery. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of strawberries, broilers, soybeans, and milk offset decreased marketings of cattle, corn, cotton, and oranges. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 20 points (14 percent) from March 2008. The Food Commodities Index, at 121, decreased 1 point (0.8 percent) from last month and decreased 23 points (16 percent) from March 2008.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, OHIO AND UNITED STATES, MARCH 2009 WITH COMPARISONS

Commodity ^{1/}	Unit	Ohio			U.S.
		Mar. 2008	Feb. 2009	Mar. 2009	Mar. 2009
Winter Wheat	Bu. \$	9.94	4.29	4.39	5.27
Corn	Bu. \$	4.78	4.15	4.25	3.96
Soybeans	Bu. \$	11.50	9.96	9.63	9.13
Oats	Bu. \$	^{1/}	^{7/}	^{5/}	2.11
All Hay ^{2/}	Ton \$	144.00	149.00	142.00	129.00
Alfalfa Hay	Ton \$	183.00	186.00	183.00	137.00
Other Hay	Ton \$	119.00	116.00	115.00	109.00
Potatoes	Cwt \$	^{6/}	^{6/}	^{6/}	9.07
Apples	Lb. \$	0.370	0.380	.440	0.221
Hogs	Cwt \$	35.70	41.70	42.20	44.20
Sows	Cwt \$	23.30	42.50	41.80	42.00
Barrows & gilts	Cwt \$	37.40	41.70	42.20	44.30
All Beef	Cwt \$	84.20	77.20	77.20	78.50
Cows	Cwt \$	49.40	41.70	42.00	44.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt \$	88.10	81.10	81.10	83.50
Calves	Cwt \$	103.00	91.20	91.20	104.00
Sheep	Cwt \$	28.00	36.00	-	-
Lambs	Cwt \$	106.00	99.90	-	-
Milk sold to plants	Cwt \$	19.30	13.10	12.00	11.50
Milk for fluid use	Cwt \$	19.40	13.20	-	11.50
Milk of mfg. grade	Cwt \$	17.40	11.00	-	10.90
Eggs ^{3/}	Doz \$	1.31	.627	0.640	0.643
FEED PRICE RATIOS					
Hog-corn ratio ^{4/}		7.5	10.0	9.9	11.2

1/ Monthly average except for current month. 2/ Mid-month price for all months. 3/ Fresh market (table) eggs. 4/ Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 pounds of hogs live weight. 5/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 6/ Estimates discontinued in 2005. 7/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

OHIO PLANTED ACRES - 1985 TO 2009

	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat	Oats	All Hay*	5 Crop Total
Thousand Acres						
2009	3,300	4,600	1,020	70	1,180	10,170
2008	3,300	4,500	1,120	75	1,140	10,135
2007	3,850	4,250	820	75	1,160	10,155
2006	3,150	4,650	990	70	1,210	10,070
2005	3,450	4,500	860	80	1,200	10,090
2004	3,350	4,450	920	65	1,190	9,975
2003	3,300	4,300	1,060	80	1,350	10,090
2002	3,250	4,750	860	70	1,320	10,250
2001	3,400	4,600	950	100	1,390	10,440
2000	3,550	4,450	1,120	110	1,280	10,510
1999	3,450	4,600	1,050	120	1,240	10,460
1998	3,550	4,400	1,200	120	1,160	10,430
1997	3,800	4,350	1,180	120	1,250	10,700
1996	3,000	4,500	1,400	120	1,200	10,220
1995	3,300	4,050	1,230	120	1,250	9,950
1990	3,700	3,500	1,300	270	1,400	10,170
1985	4,250	3,900	1,000	340	1,450	10,940

*Current and previous years are harvested only.

OHIO CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS, BY MONTHS, 2007 AND 2008

Month	Livestock		Crops		All Commodities		08/07
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	
Thousand Dollars							
January	209,101	225,770	399,863	664,141	608,964	889,912	146.1
February	192,608	210,403	260,222	429,012	452,830	639,415	141.2
March	221,578	236,803	321,204	434,291	542,783	671,095	123.6
April	211,191	213,507	212,383	430,199	423,573	643,705	152.0
May	216,333	213,649	183,696	260,025	400,028	473,674	118.4
June	206,368	223,309	243,065	325,807	449,433	549,117	122.2
July	215,071	227,442	325,137	592,888	540,207	820,330	151.9
August	210,111	227,590	248,837	291,598	458,948	519,188	113.1
September	195,314	205,773	322,419	378,654	517,734	584,427	112.9
October	213,228	215,685	724,818	850,799	938,046	1,066,483	113.7
November	195,771	198,279	698,916	516,545	894,687	714,824	79.9
December	239,366	211,025	431,016	310,969	670,382	521,994	77.9
Total	2,526,040	2,609,235	4,371,576	5,484,928	6,897,615	8,094,164	117.3

OHIO CORN STOCKS UP, SOYBEAN STOCKS DOWN
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Corn stocks in all positions in Ohio on March 1, 2009 totaled 237.9 million bushels, 19 percent below the 295.2 million bushels stored on March 1, 2008. On-farm stocks, at 145.0 million bushels accounted for 61 percent of the total stored. Off-farm stocks decreased 42.3 million bushels from a year ago to 92.9 million bushels.

Soybean stocks in all positions in Ohio totaled 65.6 million bushels on March 1, down 25 percent from last year at this time. On-farm stocks at 33.0 million bushels, accounted for 50 percent of total stocks compared to 44 percent last year. Off-farm stocks decreased 34 percent from March 1, 2008 to 32.6 million bushels.

All wheat stocks totaled 54.3 million bushels on March 1, up 80 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 52.9 million bushels, account for 97 percent of total stocks. On-farm stocks, at 1.4 million bushels are up 600 percent from March of last year.

U.S. corn stocks in all positions on March 1, 2009 totaled 6.96 billion bushels, up 1 percent from March 1, 2008. Of the total stocks, 4.09 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 8 percent

from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.87 billion bushels, are down 7 percent from a year ago. The December 2008 - February 2009 indicated disappearance is 3.12 billion bushels, compared with 3.42 billion bushels during the same period last year.

U.S. soybeans stored in all positions on March 1, 2009 totaled 1.30 billion bushels, down 9 percent from March 1, 2008. Soybean stocks stored on farms are estimated at 657 million bushels, up 11 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 645 million bushels, are down 23 percent from last March. Indicated disappearance for the December 2008 - February 2009 quarter totaled 974 million bushels, up 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

U.S. all wheat stored in all positions on March 1, 2009 totaled 1.04 billion bushels, up 46 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 280 million bushels, up 205 percent from last March. Off-farm stocks, at 756 million bushels, are up 23 percent from a year ago. The December 2008 - February 2009 indicated disappearance is 386 million bushels, down 9 percent from the same period a year earlier.

GRAIN STOCKS MARCH 1, 2009 WITH COMPARISONS ^{1/}

Crop and Position		OHIO			U.S.		
		Mar. 2008	Dec. 2008	Mar. 2009	Mar. 2008	Dec. 2008	Mar. 2009
		(1,000 Bu.)					
Corn	On-farm	160,000	260,000	145,000	3,780,000	6,482,000	4,085,000
	Off-farm	135,206	100,814	92,931	3,078,722	3,595,564	2,873,397
	Total	295,200	360,814	237,931	6,858,722	10,077,564	6,958,397
Soybeans	On-farm	38,000	80,000	33,000	593,000	1,189,000	656,500
	Off-farm	49,292	43,014	32,648	840,982	1,086,577	645,106
	Total	87,292	123,014	65,648	1,433,982	2,275,577	1,301,606
All wheat	On-farm	200	4,200	1,400	91,990	454,000	280,200
	Off-farm	29,972	60,872	52,879	617,280	968,374	756,372
	Total	30,172	65,072	54,279	709,270	1,422,374	1,036,572
Oats	On-farm	^{2/}	^{2/}	^{2/}	31,000	42,600	30,000
	Off-farm	1,774	1,720	988	47,988	72,322	65,364
	Total	^{2/}	^{2/}	^{2/}	78,988	114,922	95,364

^{1/} Off-farm stocks include stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors. ^{2/} Not published.

OFF-FARM COMMERCIAL GRAIN STORAGE CAPACITY, DECEMBER 1, 2007-2008

County	Capacity		County	Capacity		County	Capacity	
	12/1/07	12/1/08		12/1/07	12/1/08		12/1/07	12/1/08
	Thousand Bushels			Thousand Bushels			Thousand Bushels	
Adams	874	874	Hancock	21,837	19,087	Paulding	6,804	6,804
Allen	6,876	7,017	Hardin	5,833	5,556	Perry	177	177
Ashland	2,611	2,684	Harrison	5	5	Pickaway	4,550	5,005
Ashtabula	351	335	Henry	13,316	13,066	Pike	0	0
Athens	0	0	Highland	967	427	Portage	1,683	1,683
Auglaize	4,978	5,640	Hocking	1,311	1,312	Preble	3,991	3,849
Belmont	35	35	Holmes	81	81	Putnam	8,714	8,142
Brown	189	189	Huron	10,721	10,669	Richland	3,178	2,378
Butler	2,155	1,823	Jackson	111	111	Ross	2,910	2,908
Carroll	22	22	Jefferson	8	8	Sandusky	8,091	8,830
Champaign	6,432	7,297	Knox	832	831	Scioto	0	0
Clark	4,181	4,017	Lake	0	0	Seneca	4,048	8,424
Clermont	0	0	Lawrence	0	0	Shelby	9,210	9,206
Clinton	6,414	6,085	Licking	5,370	5,370	Stark	673	673
Columbiana	2,128	2,132	Logan	2,190	2,177	Summit	0	0
Coshocton	3,400	3,475	Lorain	975	850	Trumbull	0	0
Crawford	8,879	8,373	Lucas	55,853	55,821	Tuscarawas	564	566
Cuyahoga	0	0	Madison	3,662	3,663	Union	1,334	1,337
Darke	8,014	8,014	Mahoning	1,527	1,527	Van Wert	9,369	10,502
Defiance	3,310	3,310	Marion	10,803	10,747	Vinton	0	0
Delaware	317	318	Medina	241	243	Warren	440	440
Erie	646	648	Meigs	0	0	Washington	67	67
Fairfield	505	384	Mercer	5,378	5,400	Wayne	4,548	4,596
Fayette	6,288	8,143	Miami	5,664	5,655	Williams	7,053	7,051
Franklin	8,967	7,288	Monroe	7	7	Wood	14,684	15,171
Fulton	11,338	12,088	Montgomery	4,825	5,328	Wyandot	11,252	10,691
Gallia	0	0	Morgan	0	0			
Geauga	155	153	Morrow	2,220	2,230			
Greene	1,584	1,584	Muskingum	1,887	1,859	Ohio	361,266	364,562
Guernsey	8	8	Noble	7	7			
Hamilton	8,979	8,979	Ottawa	3,109	3,110			

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