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**FEATURING:** Ag Prices Maple Syrup Winter Wheat Supply/Demand Cash Receipts

## OHIO WINTER WHEAT, SOYBEAN AND HOG PRICES ALL RISE IN MAY

The Ohio winter wheat price in May of \$4.72 per bushel is up 48 cents from April but \$1.66 below the May 2008 average price of \$6.38. Ohio's May corn price of \$4.24 per bushel is up 33 cents from April but \$1.30 below the previous May price of \$5.54 per bushel. The State's May soybean price of \$11.20 per bushel is up \$1.10 from April, but 90 cents below what was received at the same time last year. The alfalfa hay price in May of \$168.00 per ton is down \$2.00 per ton from April and \$16.00 per ton lower than the price received one year ago. Other hay at \$94.00 per ton is down \$9.00 from April and \$21.00 below the price received last year at this time. The May beef cattle price in Ohio of \$82.10 per cwt. is up \$1.70 from April but \$3.70 per cwt. lower than the May 2008 average price. The steer and heifer price of \$86.00 per cwt. is up \$1.60 from April but \$3.70 per cwt. lower than the May 2008 average price. The May cow price of \$47.00 per cwt. is up \$2.40 from April but \$4.20 lower than the price received one year ago. Calves, at \$103.00 per cwt. are up \$2.00 from the previous month and are unchanged from the previous May price. Ohio's May hog price of \$43.60 per cwt. is up 50 cents from April but \$8.30 less than was received the previous May. The May sow price of \$41.90 per cwt., is up 80 cents from the previous month, and up \$16.20 from the May 2008 average price. The May barrow and gilt price

of \$43.70 per cwt. is up 40 cents from the previous month, but \$10.80 less than was received in May 2008. The May milk price of \$13.10 per cwt. was unchanged from April and is \$6.00 lower than the May 2008 price of \$19.10 per cwt. The May egg price of 41 cents per dozen is down 34 cents from April and 35 cents lower than the May 2008 price of 76 cents per dozen.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 131 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 2 points (1.6 percent) from April. The Crop Index is up 2 points (1.3 percent) but the Livestock Index was unchanged. Producers received higher prices for broilers, soybeans, corn, and onions and lower prices for eggs, lettuce, tomatoes, and milk. 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 sweet corn, broilers, grapes, and cantaloups offset decreased marketings of cattle, milk, corn, and apples. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 21 points (14 percent) from May 2008. The Food Commodities Index, at 128, increased 1 point (0.8 percent) from last month but decreased 20 points (14 percent) from May 2008.

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

Commodity <sup>1/</sup>	Unit	Ohio			U.S.
		May 2008	Apr. 2009	May 2009	May 2009
Winter wheat	Bu. \$	6.38	4.24	4.72	5.58
Corn	Bu. \$	5.54	3.91	4.24	4.08
Soybeans	Bu. \$	12.10	10.10	11.20	10.80
Oats	Bu. \$	<sup>5/</sup>	<sup>6/</sup>	<sup>5/</sup>	2.16
All hay, baled <sup>2/</sup>	Ton \$	154.00	126.00	136.00	131.00
Alfalfa hay	Ton \$	184.00	170.00	168.00	138.00
Other hay, baled	Ton \$	115.00	103.00	94.00	113.00
Apples, fresh use	Lb. \$	0.515	0.460	0.390	0.185
Hogs	Cwt \$	51.90	43.10	43.60	44.20
Sows	Cwt \$	25.70	41.10	41.90	42.80
Barrows and gilts	Cwt \$	54.50	43.30	43.70	44.30
All beef cattle	Cwt \$	85.80	80.40	82.10	82.80
Cows	Cwt \$	51.20	44.60	47.00	49.20
Steers and heifers	Cwt \$	89.60	84.40	86.00	87.20
Calves	Cwt \$	103.00	101.00	103.00	112.00
Sheep	Cwt \$	26.20	26.70	-	35.00
Lambs	Cwt \$	117.00	120.00	-	102.00
Milk sold to plants	Cwt \$	19.10	13.10	13.10	11.70
Milk sold for fluid use	Cwt \$	19.20	13.20	-	11.70
Milk of mfg. grade	Cwt \$	17.30	11.20	-	11.20
Eggs <sup>3/</sup>	Doz \$	0.76	0.75	0.41	0.412
Hog-corn ratio <sup>4/</sup>		9.4	11.0	10.3	10.8

1/ Monthly average except for current month. Current month is mid-month price. 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/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

JUNE 2009 SUPPLY AND DEMAND <sup>1/</sup>

	Corn		Wheat		Soybeans	
	2008/09	2009/10	2008/09	2009/10	2008/09	2009/10
	Million Bushels					
Beginning Stocks	1,624	1,600	306	669	205	110
Production	12,101	11,935	2,050	2,016	2,959	3,195
Imports	15	15	125	115	12	12
Total Supply	13,740	13,550	2,930	2,800	3,176	3,317
Domestic Use	10,390	10,560	1,251	1,253	1,816	1,847
Exports	1,750	1,900	1,010	900	1,250	1,260
Total Use	12,140	12,460	2,261	2,153	3,066	3,107
Ending Stocks, Total	1,600	1,090	669	647	110	210
CCC Inventory	0	-	0	-	-	-
Free Stocks	1,600	-	669	-	-	-
Average Price (\$bu.)	4.10-4.30	3.90-4.70	6.85	4.90-5.90	10.00	9.00-11.00

1/ From World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, ERS, FAS, USDA.

**OHIO MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCTION DOWN 10 PERCENT**

Ohio's 2009 maple syrup production is ranked in eighth place nationally behind Pennsylvania, compared to sixth place last year. Ohio maple syrup production was 90,000 gallons in 2009, a decrease in production of 10,000 gallons from 2008. The number of taps increased from 350,000 taps in 2008 to 375,000 taps in 2009. The 2009 yield per tap was 0.240 gallons per tap, a decrease of 0.046 gallons per tap from last year. Maple syrup collection started up on February 2, approximately 3 weeks later than last year's start up date of January 9. The Ohio 2009 average season length decreased to 27 days from 30 days last year. The average price per gallon decreased \$1.10 per gallon from the 2007 price of \$39.00 per gallon to the 2008 price of \$37.90 per gallon. The State's value of production increased from \$2.5 million in 2007 to \$3.8 million in 2008.

The 2009 U.S. maple syrup production totaled 2.33 million gallons, up 22 percent from 2008 and the highest on record since 1944. The number of taps is estimated at 8.65 million, 4 percent above the 2008 total of 8.33 million. Yield per tap is estimated to be 0.269 gallons, up 17 percent from the previous season.

Vermont led all States in production with 920,000 gallons, an increase of 30 percent from 2008 and the highest on record since 1944. Production in Maine reached a record high 395,000 gallons, up 65 percent from last year. Production in New York, at 362,000 gallons, increased 10 percent from 2008. Production in Wisconsin, at 200,000 gallons, is the highest on record and 33 percent above 2008. In Michigan, production is estimated to be 115,000 gallons. This is the highest on record since 1947 and 10 percent above 2008. In New Hampshire, production is estimated

to be 94,000 gallons, down 1 percent from last season. Production in Pennsylvania, at 92,000 gallons, is 8 percent below 2008. In Ohio, production is estimated to be 90,000 gallons, down 10 percent from 2008. Production in Massachusetts, at 46,000 gallons, decreased 29 percent from last season. In Connecticut, production is estimated to be 13,000 gallons, down 32 percent from 2008.

Temperatures were reported to be mostly favorable in all States except Pennsylvania. Producers in Pennsylvania experienced weather fluctuations and reported temperatures that were mostly too warm for sap flow. On average, the season lasted 28 days compared with 30 days last year. In most States, the season started later than last year. The earliest sap flow reported was January 15 in Pennsylvania. The latest sap flow reported was May 1 in New Hampshire.

Sugar content of the sap for 2009 was down from the previous year. On average, approximately 43 gallons of sap were required to produce one gallon of syrup. This compares with 39 gallons in 2008 and 45 gallons in 2007. The majority of the syrup produced in each State this year was medium to dark in color with the exception of Maine.

The 2008 U.S. average price per gallon was \$40.50, up \$7.70 from the 2007 price of \$32.80. The U.S. value of production, at \$77.5 million for 2008, was up 55 percent from the previous season. This is the result of an increase in price and production from 2007. Value of production increased in all 10 maple syrup estimating States.

MAPLE SYRUP: PRODUCTION 2008-2009<sup>1</sup> AND VALUE 2007-2008 BY STATE AND UNITED STATES

State	Number of Taps		Yield per Tap		Production		Average Price per Gallon		Value of Production	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2007	2008	2007	2008
	1,000 taps		gallons		1,000 gallons		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
CT	75	71	0.253	0.183	19	13	53.90	61.60	593	1,170
ME	1,440	1,470	0.167	0.269	240	395	30.10	36.80	7,525	8,832
MA	250	230	0.260	0.200	65	46	46.10	45.80	1,844	2,977
MI	405	450	0.259	0.256	105	115	41.60	41.00	2,704	4,305
NH	395	385	0.241	0.244	95	94	46.80	52.30	3,276	4,969
NY	1,445	1,508	0.227	0.240	328	362	33.50	42.40	7,638	13,907
<b>OH</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>0.286</b>	<b>0.240</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>39.00</b>	<b>37.90</b>	<b>2,457</b>	<b>3,790</b>
PA	475	464	0.211	0.198	100	92	31.60	38.30	1,738	3,830
VT	2,870	3,030	0.247	0.304	710	920	29.10	39.20	18,624	27,832
WI	620	670	0.242	0.299	150	200	35.70	39.10	3,392	5,865
US	8,325	8,653	0.230	0.269	1,912	2,327	32.80	40.50	49,791	77,477

1/ 2008 Revised. Price and value for 2009 are not available until June, 2010.

**OHIO WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION FORECAST UNCHANGED FROM MAY  
U.S. PRODUCTION DOWN LESS THAN 1 PERCENT**

Based on the June 1 yield survey, Ohio winter wheat producers expect to harvest 65 million bushels in 2009, unchanged from the May forecast but down 12 percent from the previous year. Producers are expecting to harvest 990 thousand acres for grain or seed from the 1.02 million acres seeded last fall. The average State yield is forecast at 66 bushels per acre, unchanged from May and two bushels below the 2008 average.

U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.49 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and 20 percent below 2008. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 34.0 million acres, unchanged from May 1. Based on June 1

condition, the U.S. yield is forecast at 43.9 bushels per acre, down 0.3 bushel from last month and 3.3 bushels less than last year.

Hard Red production is down less than 1 percent from a month ago to 868 million bushels. Soft Red production is down 2 percent from last month and now totals 415 million bushels. White production totals 209 million bushels, up slightly from last month. Of the White production total, 21.1 million bushels are Hard White and 188 million bushels are Soft White.

**WINTER WHEAT AREA HARVESTED YIELD AND PRODUCTION SELECTED STATES  
AND UNITED STATES 2008 AND FORECASTED JUNE 1, 2009**

State	Area for harvest		Yield		Production	
	2008	2009 <sup>1/</sup>	2008	2009 <sup>1/</sup>	2008	2009 <sup>1/</sup>
	(000) acres		Bu./acre		(000) bushels	
Arkansas	980	430	57.0	51.0	55,860	21,930
Colorado	1,900	2,300	30.0	35.0	57,000	80,500
Indiana	560	430	69.0	69.0	38,640	29,670
Illinois	1,150	800	64.0	63.0	73,600	50,400
Kansas	8,900	8,500	40.0	40.0	356,000	340,000
Missouri	1,160	750	48.0	51.0	55,680	38,250
Montana	2,420	2,400	39.0	39.0	94,380	93,600
<b>Ohio</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>68.0</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>74,120</b>	<b>65,340</b>
Oklahoma	4,500	3,500	37.0	21.0	166,500	73,500
Texas	3,300	2,400	30.0	27.0	99,000	64,800
U.S.	39,614	33,995	47.2	43.9	1,867,903	1,491,769

<sup>1/</sup> Forecast.

**WHEAT: PRODUCTION BY CLASS, UNITED STATES, 2007-2008 AND FORECASTED JUNE 1, 2009 <sup>1/</sup>**

Year	Winter			Spring			
	Hard red	Soft red	White	Hard red	White	Durum	Total
	Thousand Bushels						
2007	955,555	352,026	191,660	450,070	29,553	72,224	2,051,088
2008	1,035,235	613,578	219,090	511,508	35,236	84,877	2,499,524
2009 <sup>2/</sup>	867,596	415,433	208,740	-	-	-	-

<sup>1/</sup> Wheat class estimates are based on varietal acreage survey data. The previous end-of-season class percentages are used throughout the forecast season. <sup>2/</sup> Spring wheat production by class and total production will be published in "Crop Production" released July 11, 2008.

**U.S. INDEX SUMMARY TABLE**

Index 1990-92=100	2008		2009	
	April	May	April	May
Prices Received	146	152	129	131
Prices Paid	179	184	177	176
Ratio <sup>1/</sup>	82	83	73	74

<sup>1/</sup> Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

2009 CASH RECEIPTS FOR MAJOR LIVESTOCK AND CROP CATEGORIES

Item	Ohio				U.S.	
	January		February		January	February
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2009	2009
	Thousand Dollars					
Meat animals	-	-	-	-	4,876,104	4,474,968
Dairy Products	-	-	-	-	2,182,821	1,719,297
Poultry/Eggs	-	-	-	-	2,876,116	2,543,613
Misc. Livestock	-	-	-	-	332,639	261,910
Livestock	225,770	199,807	210,403	160,817	10,267,682	8,999,787
Food Grains	-	-	-	-	1,457,368	807,836
Feed Crops	-	-	-	-	8,072,850	3,469,510
Cotton	-	-	-	-	450,557	264,088
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	123,876	25,614
Oil Crops	-	-	-	-	5,091,685	2,034,679
Vegetables	-	-	-	-	1,152,087	994,132
Fruits/Nuts	-	-	-	-	853,752	788,584
All Other Crops	-	-	-	-	1,352,591	1,330,820
Crops	664,141	568,954	429,012	303,127	18,554,766	9,715,261
All Commodities <sup>1</sup>	889,912	768,761	639,415	463,944	28,822,448	18,715,048

1/ May not add due to rounding.

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