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RED MEAT PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia – Commercial red meat production during June 2019 totaled 400,000 pounds. This was down 11 percent from June 2018. Commercial red meat production is the carcass weight after slaughter including beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton. Individual commodity production is total live weight of commercial slaughter.

Commercial cattle slaughter totaled 407,000 pounds live weight, down 11 percent from June 2018. Cattle slaughter totaled 400 head, unchanged from the previous year. The average live weight was down 42 pounds from the previous year, at 1,097 pounds.

Commercial calf slaughter was not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Commercial hog slaughter totaled 105,000 pounds live weight, down 26 percent from last year. Hog slaughter totaled 400 head, down 100 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 26 pounds from the previous year, at 292 pounds.

Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter was not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

United States – Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.37 billion pounds in June, up 1 percent from the 4.33 billion pounds produced in June 2018.

Beef production, at 2.22 billion pounds, was 3 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter

totaled 2.80 million head, down 3 percent from June 2018. The average live weight was down 8 pounds from the previous year, at 1,313 pounds.

Veal production totaled 5.7 million pounds, 2 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 44,400 head, down 2 percent from June 2018. The average live weight was unchanged from last year, at 223 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.13 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.99 million head, up 4 percent from June 2018. The average live weight was up 5 pounds from the previous year, at 285 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.4 million pounds, was down 8 percent from June 2018. Sheep slaughter totaled 175,300 head, 3 percent below last year. The average live weight was 130 pounds, down 7 pounds from June a year ago.

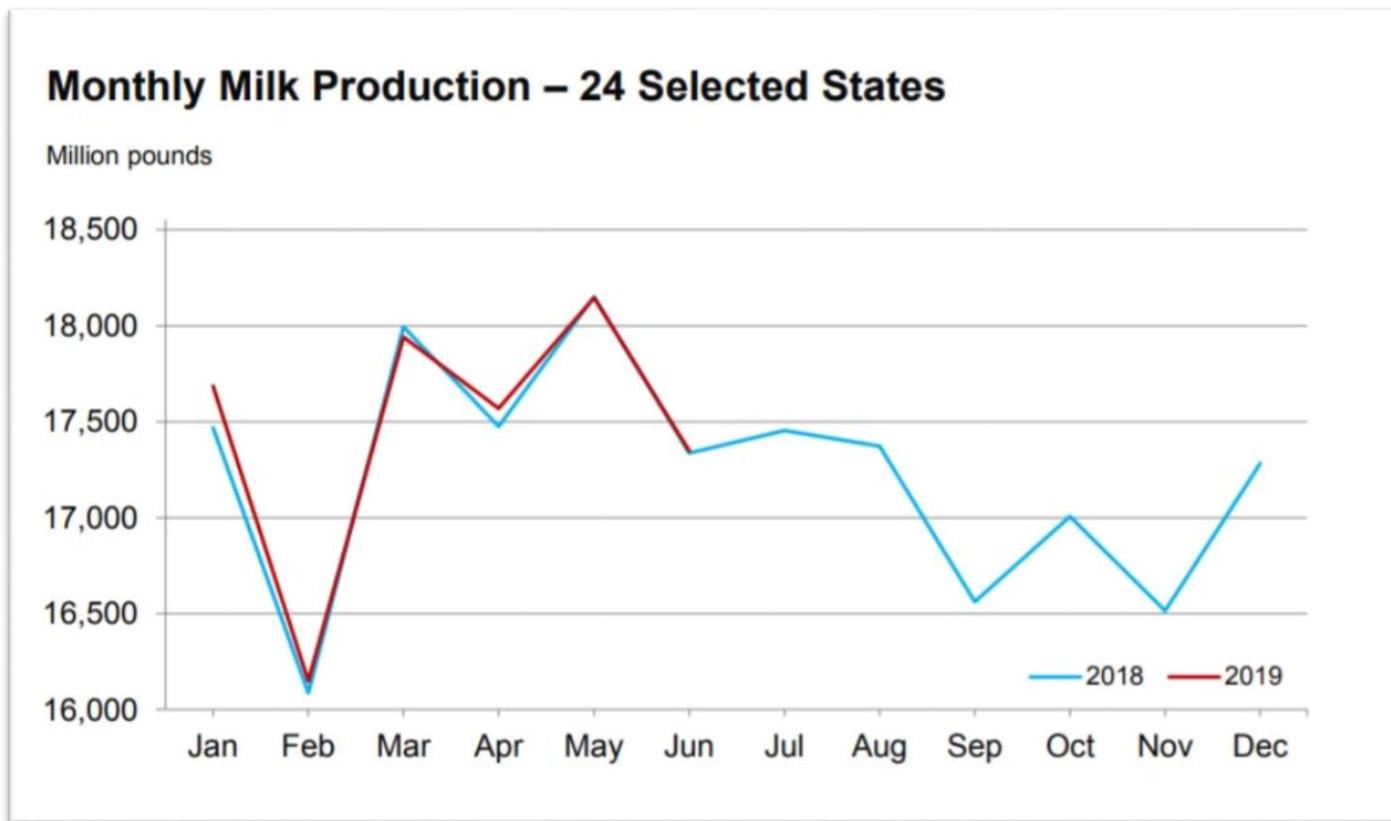
January to June 2019 commercial red meat production was 26.8 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2018. Accumulated beef production was up slightly from last year, veal was down 1 percent, pork was up 4 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 1 percent.

June 2018 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays. June 2019 contained 20 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

Note: Percent changes are based on unrounded data.

SECOND QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia – Milk production in West Virginia totaled 23 million pounds or 2.67 million gallons during the April - June quarter of 2019. This was down 6 million pounds or 698,000 gallons from the same period in 2018, and down 1 million pounds from the January - March 2019 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 6,000 head, down 1,000 head



from the same period in 2018, and down 500 head from the previous quarter.

United States – Milk production in the United States during the April - June quarter totaled 55.8 billion pounds, down 0.1 percent from the April - June quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.33 million head, 15,000 head less than the January - March quarter, and 89,000 head less than the same period last year.

Note: A conversion of 8.6 pounds per gallon was used.

GRAIN STOCKS

United States – Corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2019 totaled 5.20 billion bushels, down 2 percent from June 1, 2018. Of the total stocks, 2.95 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 7 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.25 billion bushels, are down 12 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2019 indicated disappearance is 3.41 billion bushels, compared with 3.59 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Soybeans stored in all positions on June 1, 2019 totaled 1.79 billion bushels, up 47 percent from June 1, 2018. On-farm stocks totaled 730 million bushels, up 94 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 1.06 billion bushels, are up 26 percent from a year ago. Indicated disappearance for the March - May 2019 quarter totaled 937 million bushels, up 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Old crop all wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2019 totaled 1.07 billion bushels, down 2 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 207 million bushels, up 58 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 865 million bushels, are down 11 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2019 indicated disappearance is 521 million bushels, up 31 percent from the same period a year earlier.

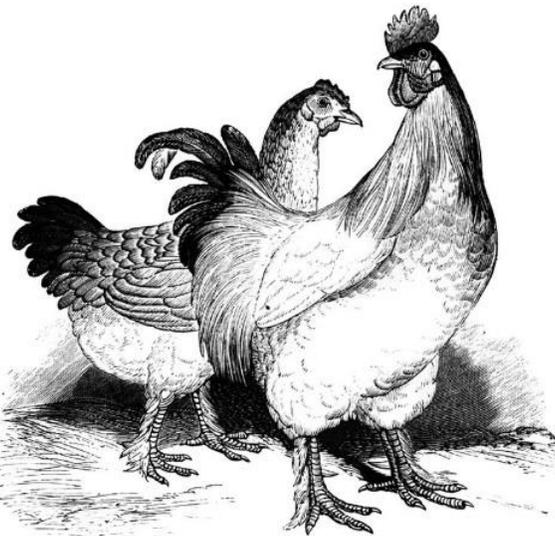
Old crop Durum wheat stocks in all positions on June 1, 2019 totaled 55.2 million bushels, up 58 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 26.1 million bushels, are up 74 percent from June 1, 2018. Off-farm stocks totaled 29.1 million bushels, up 46 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2019 indicated disappearance of 19.2 million bushels is up 32 percent from the same period a year earlier.

CHICKENS AND EGGS

United States – Egg production totaled 9.16 billion during June 2019, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.99 billion table eggs, and 1.17 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.09 billion were broiler-type and 85.8 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during June 2019 totaled 392 million, up slightly from last year. June egg production per 100 layers was 2,334 eggs, up 2 percent from June 2018.

All layers in the United States on July 1, 2019 totaled 390 million, down slightly from last year. The 390 million layers consisted of 327 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 59.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.40 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on July 1, 2019, averaged 77.7 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from July 1, 2018.

Egg-type chicks hatched during June 2019 totaled 51.9 million, down 2 percent from June 2018. Eggs in incubators totaled 47.6 million on July 1, 2019, up 3 percent from a year ago.



Domestic placements of **egg-type pullet chicks** for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 242 thousand during June 2019, up 36 percent from June 2018.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during June 2019 totaled 832 million, up 1 percent from June 2018. Eggs in incubators totaled 692 million on July 1, 2019, up slightly from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.72 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2019, up 5 percent from June 2018.

CROP ACREAGE

Charleston, West Virginia – Corn planted is estimated at 52,000 acres, up 6,000 acres from 2018. Growers expect to harvest 39,000 acres for grain, up 6,000 acres from last year.

All hay harvested is forecast at 494,000 acres, down 41,000 acres from last year. **Alfalfa hay** harvested is expected to total 14,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year. **Other hay** harvested is expected to be 480,000 acres, down 40,000 acres from last year.

Note: These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2019, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered. Winter wheat and soybean estimates have been discontinued in 2019.

United States with 2018 Comparisons

Corn planted for all purposes – 91.7 million acres, up 3 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all corn planted:

Insect resistant (Bt) - 3% of 2019 crop, 2% of 2018 crop;

Herbicide resistant - 9% of 2019 crop, 10% of 2018 crop;

Stacked gene - 80% of 2019 crop, 80% of 2018 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 92% of 2019 crop, 92% of 2018 crop.

Corn harvested for grain – 83.6 million acres, up 2 percent.

Winter wheat planted – 31.8 million acres, down 2 percent.

Winter wheat harvested for grain – 24.9 million acres, down 1 percent.

Oats planted – 2.55 million acres, down 7 percent.

Oats harvested for grain – 909,000 acres, up 5 percent.

All tobacco harvested – 235,820 acres, down 19 percent.

Burley tobacco harvested – 52,100 acres, down 15 percent.

All hay for harvest – 52.8 million acres, down less than 1 percent.

Alfalfa hay for harvest – 16.8 million acres, up 1 percent.

Other hay for harvest – 36.0 million acres, down less than 1 percent.

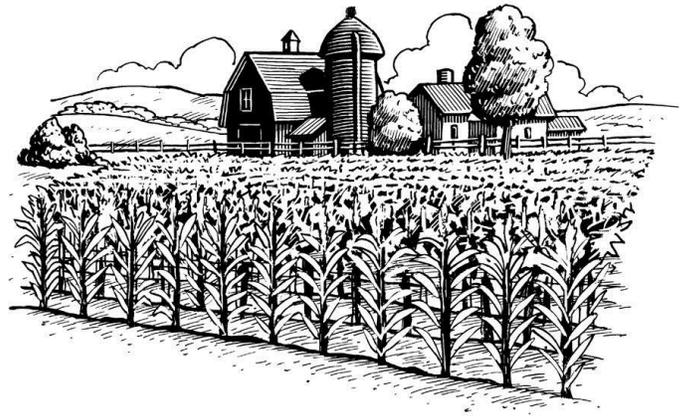
Soybeans planted – 80.0 million acres, down 10 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all soybeans planted:

Herbicide resistant - 94% of 2019 crop, 94% of 2018 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 94% of 2019 crop, 94% of 2018 crop.

Soybeans for harvest – 79.3 million acres, down 10 percent.



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