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**RED MEAT PRODUCTION**

**Charleston, West Virginia – Commercial red meat production** during June 2020 totaled 1,100,000 pounds. This was up 190 percent from June 2019. 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 1,606,000 pounds live weight, up 269 percent from June 2019. Cattle slaughter totaled 1,300 head, up 900 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 122 pounds from the previous year, at 1,207 pounds.

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

**Commercial hog slaughter** totaled 371,000 pounds live weight, up 223 percent from last year. Hog slaughter totaled 1,300 head, up 900 head from the previous year. The average live weight was down 3 pounds from the previous year, at 293 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 4.79 billion pounds in June, up 10 percent from the 4.37 billion pounds produced in June 2019.

**Beef production**, at 2.37 billion pounds, was 7 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.88 million head, up 2 percent from June 2019. The average live weight was up 52 pounds from the previous year, at 1,365 pounds.

**Veal production** totaled 5.6 million pounds, 2 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 37,200 head, down 16 percent from June 2019. The average live weight was up 37 pounds from last year, at 260 pounds.

**Pork production** totaled 2.40 billion pounds, up 13 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 11.2 million head, up 12 percent from June 2019. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 288 pounds.

**Lamb and mutton production**, at 12.5 million pounds, was up 9 percent from June 2019. Sheep slaughter totaled 193,400 head, 10 percent above last year. The average live weight was 129 pounds, down 1 pound from June a year ago.

**January to June 2020 commercial red meat production** was 26.8 billion pounds, up slightly from 2019. Accumulated beef production was down 2 percent from last year, veal was down 10 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 8 percent.

June 2019 contained 20 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays. June 2020 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

*Note: Percent changes are based on unrounded data.*

**CHICKENS AND EGGS**

**United States – Egg production** totaled 8.81 billion during June 2020, down 4 percent from last year. Production included 7.60 billion table eggs, and 1.21 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.13 billion were

broiler-type and 80.2 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during June 2020 totaled 382 million, down 3 percent from last year. June egg production per 100 layers was 2,304 eggs, down 1 percent from June 2019.

**Total layers** in the United States on July 1, 2020 totaled 381 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 381 million layers consisted of 316 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.28 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on July 1, 2020, averaged 77.9 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from July 1, 2019.

**Egg-type chicks** hatched during June 2020 totaled 54.9 million, up 6 percent from June 2019. Eggs in incubators totaled 46.3 million on July 1, 2020, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of **egg-type pullet chicks** for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 363 thousand during June 2020, up 34 percent from June 2019.

**Broiler-type chicks** hatched during June 2020 totaled 828 million, down 1 percent from June 2019. Eggs in incubators totaled 701 million on July 1, 2020, up 1 percent from a year ago.

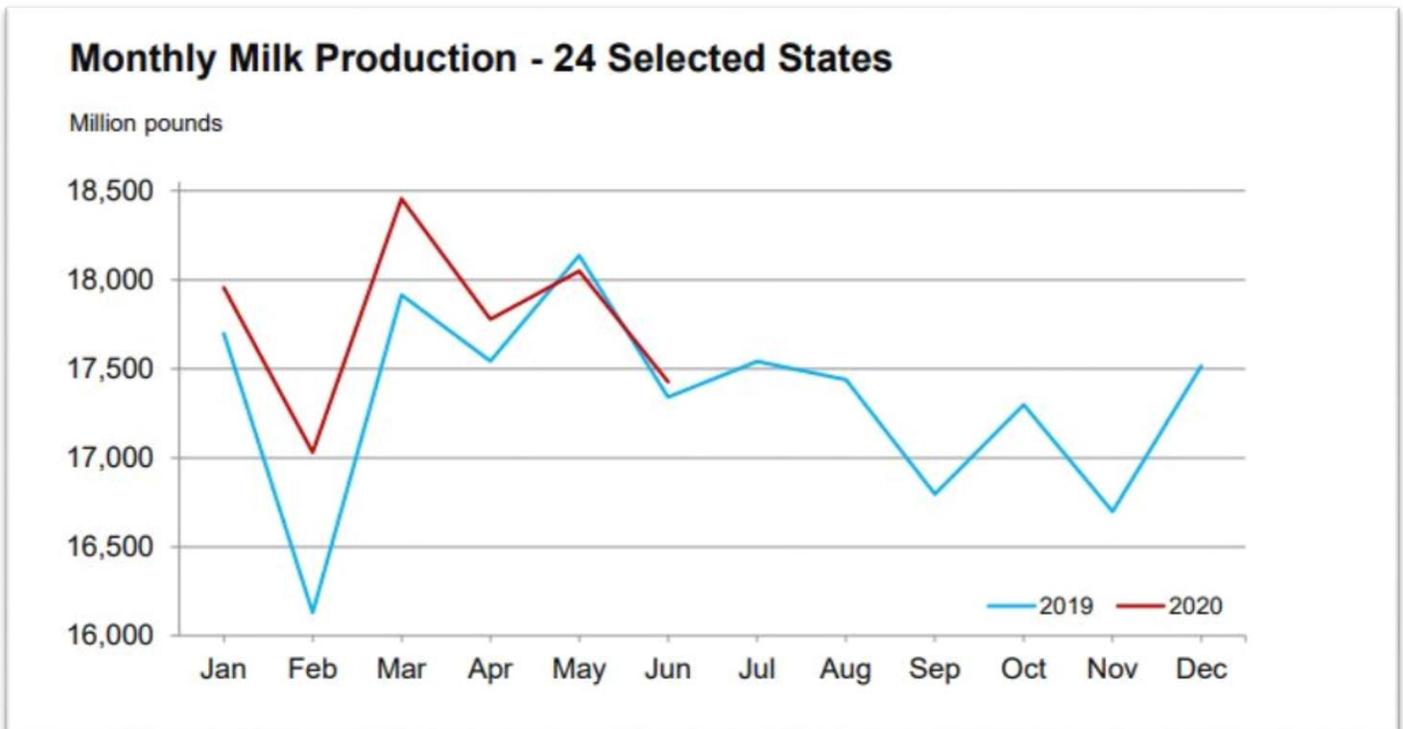
Leading breeders placed 8.75 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2020, up slightly from June 2019.

**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 2020. This is unchanged from the same period in 2019, and unchanged from the January - March 2020 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 6,000 head, unchanged from the same period in 2019, and unchanged from the previous quarter.

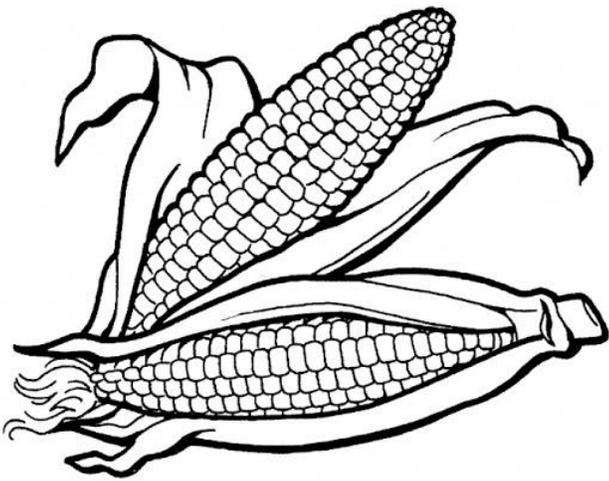
**United States** – Milk production in the United States during the April - June quarter totaled 55.9 billion pounds, up 0.4 percent from the April - June quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.36 million head, 12,000 head less than the January - March quarter, but 31,000 head more 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, 2020 totaled 5.22 billion bushels, up less than 1 percent from June 1, 2019. Of the total stocks, 3.03 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 3 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.20 billion bushels, are down 2 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2020 indicated disappearance is 2.73 billion bushels, compared with 3.41 billion bushels during the same period last year.



**Soybeans** stored in all positions on June 1, 2020 totaled 1.39 billion bushels, down 22 percent from June 1, 2019. On-farm stocks totaled 633 million bushels, down 13 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 753 million bushels, are down 28 percent from a year ago. Indicated disappearance for the March - May 2020 quarter totaled 869 million bushels, down 8 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop all wheat** stored in all positions on June 1, 2020 totaled 1.04 billion bushels, down 3 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 232 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 812 million bushels, are down 7 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2020 indicated disappearance is 372 million bushels, down 28 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop Durum wheat** stocks in all positions on June 1, 2020 totaled 42.8 million bushels, down 22 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 17.7 million bushels, are down 32 percent from June 1,

2019. Off-farm stocks totaled 25.1 million bushels, down 13 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2020 indicated disappearance of 8.55 million bushels is down 56 percent from the same period a year earlier.

## CROP ACREAGE

**Charleston, West Virginia – Corn** planted is estimated at 46,000 acres, down 6,000 acres from 2019. Growers expect to harvest 32,000 acres for grain, down 6,000 acres from last year.

**All hay** harvested is forecast at 520,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from last year. **Alfalfa hay** harvested is expected to total 10,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from last year. **Other hay** harvested is expected to be 510,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from last year.

*Note: These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2020, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered.*

### United States with 2019 Comparisons

Corn planted for all purposes – 92.0 million acres, up 3 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all corn planted:

Insect resistant - 3% of 2020 crop, 3% of 2019 crop;

Herbicide resistant - 10% of 2020 crop, 9% of 2019 crop;

Stacked gene - 79% of 2020 crop, 80% of 2019 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 92% of 2020 crop, 92% of 2019 crop.

Corn harvested for grain – 84.0 million acres, up 3 percent.

Winter wheat planted – 30.6 million acres, down 2 percent.

Winter wheat harvested for grain – 23.4 million acres, down 4 percent.

Oats planted – 3.1 million acres, up 12 percent.

Oats harvested for grain – 998,000 acres, up 21 percent.

All tobacco harvested – 189,450 acres, down 17 percent.

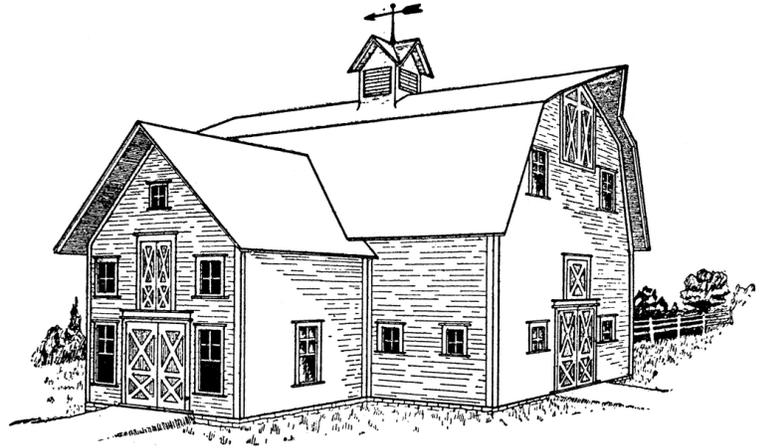
Burley tobacco harvested – 43,500 acres, down 10 percent.

All hay for harvest – 52.4 million acres, down less than 1 percent.  
Alfalfa hay for harvest – 16.4 million acres, down 2 percent.  
Other hay for harvest – 36.0 million acres, up 1 percent.  
Soybeans planted – 83.8 million acres, up 10 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all soybeans planted:

Herbicide resistant - 94% of 2020 crop, 94% of 2019 crop;  
All Biotech varieties - 94% of 2020 crop, 94% of 2019 crop.

Soybeans for harvest – 83.0 million acres, up 11 percent.



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