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NEWS RELEASE

Agricultural Prices
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North Dakota Agricultural Prices

The Index of Prices Received for All Farm Products in November is 118 percent of the 1990-1992 base, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistical Service, North Dakota Field Office. This is down 6 percent from last year and 1 percent below two years ago. The All Crops Index, at 112 percent of the base, is down 10 percent from November 2004 and the All Livestock Index, at 138 percent, is up 4 percent from last year. November indexes are calculated using preliminary mid-month prices.

The October Index of Prices Received for All Farm Products, recalculated with full month prices, was 120 percent of the base, down 5 percent from October 2004. The All Crops Index, at 116 percent, was down 7 percent from the previous year while the All Livestock Index, at 137 percent, was up 5 percent.

Preliminary November prices, followed by the change from October:

- Spring Wheat, \$3.60 per bushel, down 1 cent;
- Durum Wheat, \$3.20 per bushel, down 10 cents;
- Winter Wheat, \$2.90 per bushel, down 1 cent;
- Feed Barley, \$1.35 per bushel, down 9 cents;
- Malting Barley, \$2.30 per bushel, up 14 cents;
- Corn, \$1.70 per bushel, down 6 cents;
- Soybeans, \$5.40 per bushel, down 18 cents;
- Flaxseed, \$5.85 per bushel, down 20 cents;
- Oil Sunflower, \$10.50 per hundredweight (cwt.), down 90 cents;
- Non-Oil Sunflower, \$16.10 per hundredweight (cwt.), down \$2.10;
- All Dry Edible Beans, \$15.70 per cwt., down \$1.20;
- All Potatoes, \$6.20 per cwt., unchanged;
- Alfalfa Hay, \$54.00 per ton, down \$3.00;
- Other Hay, \$39.00 per ton, unchanged;
- Steers and Heifers, \$115.00 per cwt., down \$3.00;
- Cows, \$48.00 per cwt., unchanged;
- Calves, \$132.00 per cwt., down \$2.00.

October whole month prices, with no preliminary November, followed by the change from September:

- Canola, \$9.48 per cwt., up 40 cents;
- Pinto Beans, \$15.60 per cwt., up 20 cents;
- Navy Beans, \$18.60 per cwt., up 30 cents;
- Fresh Potatoes, \$9.40 per cwt., up 70 cents;
- Potatoes for Processing, \$4.95 per cwt., down 15 cents;
- Hogs, \$48.10 per cwt., down 70 cents;
- Lambs, \$113.00 per cwt., down \$4.00;
- Sheep, \$45.00 per cwt., up \$2.00.

November prices are preliminary and based on sales data for only part of the month. They will be replaced with whole month prices in next month's report. October prices are based on sales data for the entire month.

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**Index Numbers of Farm Prices
North Dakota and United States, November 2005**

Indexes and Ratios	North Dakota			United States		
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005
Prices Received	(1990-92 = 100)					
All Farm Products	126	120	118	115	111	113
Crops	124	116	112	112	103	104
Food Grains	119	128	124	114	112	111
Feed Grains & Hay	108	95	93	93	86	84
Oil Bearing Crops ^{1/}	132	115	113	97	97	99
Potatoes & Dry Beans ^{2/}	130	116	110	96	96	104
Livestock	133	137	138	119	122	121
Meat Animals	134	139	140	118	122	121
Dairy Products	131	131	131	124	119	116
Other Livestock Products ^{3/}	113	113	113	118	125	127
Prices Paid	NA	NA	NA	135	144	143
Ratio ^{4/}	NA	NA	NA	85	77	79

1/ Includes non-oil sunflower. 2/ North Dakota includes sugarbeets. 3/ United States excludes wool. 4/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received to Index of Prices Paid. NA=Not applicable.

**Prices Received by Farmers
North Dakota and United States, November 2005**

Item	Unit	North Dakota			United States			Effective U.S. Parity Price Oct 2005
		Entire Month		Preliminary	Entire Month		Preliminary	
		Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
		--- Dollars ---			--- Dollars ---			- Dollars -
Wheat, All	Bu	3.39	3.54	3.51	3.46	3.43	3.36	10.60
Durum	Bu	3.77	3.30	3.20	3.79	3.40	3.23	NA
Other Spring	Bu	3.34	3.61	3.60	3.57	3.62	3.64	NA
Winter	Bu	2.78	2.91	2.90	3.39	3.33	3.25	NA
Corn	Bu	2.10	1.76	1.70	2.05	1.82	1.79	7.10
Oats	Bu	1/	1.52	1/	1.51	1.59	1.46	4.22
Barley, All	Bu	2.02	1.90	1.97	2.45	2.41	2.49	7.20
Feed	Bu	1.45	1.44	1.35	1.78	1.81	1.88	NA
Malting	Bu	2.34	2.16	2.30	2.83	2.72	2.86	NA
Sunflower, All	Cwt	13.40	12.30	11.60	12.80	12.80	11.50	NA
Oil	Cwt	12.50	11.40	10.50	NA	NA	NA	NA
Non-oil	Cwt	18.20	18.20	16.10	NA	NA	NA	NA
Baled Hay, All ^{2/}	Ton	57.00	51.00	50.00	88.70	97.70	91.70	NA
Alfalfa ^{2/}	Ton	62.00	57.00	54.00	95.20	106.00	97.50	NA
Other ^{2/}	Ton	46.00	39.00	39.00	73.50	76.50	76.30	NA
Canola	Cwt	3/	9.48	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Flaxseed	Bu	8.62	6.05	5.85	8.62	6.05	5.85	14.40
Soybeans	Bu	5.72	5.58	5.40	5.36	5.67	5.68	17.20
Dry Edible Beans, All	Cwt	26.50	16.90	15.70	25.90	18.80	18.90	53.80
Navy	Cwt	20.50	18.60	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pinto	Cwt	28.50	15.60	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Potatoes, All	Cwt	5.85	6.20	6.20	5.02	5.54	6.09	16.00
Fresh ^{4/}	Cwt	6.15	9.40	NA	5.08	9.18	NA	NA
Processing	Cwt	5.65	4.95	NA	4.98	4.61	NA	NA
Beef Cattle	Cwt	95.00	106.00	99.60	85.40	91.10	91.60	184.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	110.00	118.00	115.00	90.20	96.60	97.40	NA
Cows	Cwt	49.90	48.00	48.00	48.70	46.60	45.80	NA
Calves	Cwt	124.00	134.00	132.00	123.00	134.00	132.00	250.00
Sheep	Cwt	38.00	45.00	NA	41.40	43.70	NA	90.10
Lambs	Cwt	107.00	113.00	NA	99.90	108.00	NA	223.00
Hogs	Cwt	54.80	48.10	NA	55.60	47.00	44.70	114.00

1/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 2/ Alfalfa, other and all hay are preliminary prices only. 3/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms. 4/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock. NA=Not applicable.

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