

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER MAY 2006

► Agricultural Prices

► Hogs and Pigs

Red meat production in Colorado during May 2006 totaled 170.0 million pounds, up 8 percent from the 157.7 million pounds produced during May 2005 and 19 percent above April 2006. The accumulated production for the first five months of this year now totals 750.5 million pounds, up 8 percent from the 694.9 million pounds produced during the comparable period last year. Cattle kill during May increased 5 percent from the previous year to 207,000 head. The average live weight of 1,246 pounds was 35 pounds above the average for May 2005. Hog slaughter increased 11 percent to 1,000 head but the average live weight decreased to 264 pounds, down 4 pounds from a year earlier.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.05 billion pounds in May, up 9 percent from the 3.71 billion pounds produced in May 2005. Beef production, at 2.30 billion pounds, was 11 percent above the previous year. Veal production totaled 13.1 million pounds, 1 percent below May a year ago. Pork production totaled 1.72 billion pounds, up 7 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.54 million head, 6 percent above May 2005. Lamb and mutton production, at 16.3 million pounds, was up 10 percent from May 2005. Accumulated beef production was up 7 percent from last year, veal was down 5 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was up 4 percent.

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| Red Meat Production. | Colorado and | United States 1/ |

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| Area | May | Apr. | May | Januar | y-May |
| and Specie | 2005 | 2006 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 |
| | Million Pounds | | | | |
| Colorado | 157.7 | 142.8 | 170.0 | 694.9 | 750.5 |
| United States | 3,713.5 | 3,614.2 | 4,049.1 | 18,283 | 19,149 |
| Beef | 2,074 | 1,973 | 2,297 | 9,686 | 10,348 |
| Veal | 13.2 | 10.9 | 13.1 | 64.9 | 61.5 |
| Pork | 1,611 | 1,613 | 1,722 | 8,453 | 8,657 |
| Lamb & Mutton | 14.8 | 17.0 | 16.3 | 79.4 | 82.4 |

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

Drought conditions returned to Colorado after a dry winter and spring. Mountain snowpack was above average in the northern areas, but southern and western areas were below average. Above average temperatures in May and June accelerated mountain snowmelt and increased evaporation from streams and snowfields. As a result, water restrictions for irrigation remain in effect for many prime growing areas in the state and directly influenced planting decisions this year. Actual harvested acreage will depend in large part on the amount of moisture received during the coming months.

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Colorado corn producers intend to harvest 840,000 acres for grain from the 1,000,000 acres planted in 2006. This is a decrease of 12 percent from last year for intended harvested grain acreage and a 9 percent decrease in planted acreage for all purposes. Sorghum plantings, at 200,000 acres, increased 25 percent from the previous year but acreage expected to be harvested for grain, at 120,000, increased only 9 percent as growers expect to harvest a smaller proportion of planted acres for grain.

Winter wheat producers expect to harvest 2,000,000 acres from the 2,400,000 planted in the fall of 2005. This is 200,000 acres below last year's harvested area. Spring wheat seedings, at 20,000 acres, are unchanged from 2005. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 19,000 acres, also equal to last year. Oat seedings increased 10,000 acres to 85,000, but producers plan to harvest 15,000 acres for grain, unchanged from 2005. Barley planted acres, at 50,000, is 10,000 below last year's acreage and a new record low since records began in 1924. Expected harvested acres, at 45,000, is 24 percent below 2005 and will be the smallest harvested area since 1905, if realized. Proso millet seedings are expected to total 290,000 acres this year, unchanged from 2005.

All hay area to be harvested is expected to decrease 10,000 acres from a year ago to 1,540,000 acres. Alfalfa hay acreage is expected to decrease 30,000 from last year to 770,000 acres. All other hay acreage harvested is expected increase 20,000 acres to 770,000 acres. Sugarbeet plantings increased 7,200 acres from last year to 43,600 acres. The expected harvested area, at 42,000 acres, is 7,700 acres above last year. Acres planted to dry beans, at 80,000, are down 36 percent from last year. Harvested acres are expected to total 70,000.

All sunflower planted area at 140,000 acres, is 75,000 acres below last year. Oil type varieties totaled 100,000 acres, down 50,000 while non-oil type varieties is set at 40,000 acres, down 15,000. Summer potatoes showed a 12 percent

decrease in planted acres to 4,400 with the expected harvested acreage set at 4,300 acres. This is a new record low for planted acreage in summer potatoes with records going back to 1949.

| Planted and Harvested Acres, |
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| Colorado and United States, 2005-2006 |

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| All Hay 61,649 62,697 Alfalfa Hay 22,389 22,407 | Rye | 1,433 | 1,378 | 279 | 259 | |
| Alfalfa Hay 22,389 22,407 | Proso Millet | 565 | 575 | 515 | <u>3</u> / | |
| | All Hay | | | 61,649 | 62,697 | |
| Other Hay | Alfalfa Hay | | | 22,389 | 22,407 | |
| | - | | | | 40,290 | |
| Sugar beets 1,299.8 1,361.9 1,242.9 1,321.1 | Sugar beets | 1,299.8 | 1,361.9 | 1,242.9 | 1,321.1 | |
| - | - | | | | 1,465.0 | |
| | | | , | 2,610 | 1,797 | |
| | | | 1,575 | 2,032 | 1,493 | |
| | | | | , | 304 | |
| | | | | | 56.1 | |
| 1 | - | | | | 73,935 | |

 $\underline{1}$ / Planted all purposes, harvested for grain.

2/ Includes Durum Wheat.

 $\underline{3}$ / To be released January 2007 in the Annual Crop Summary.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

The 2006 corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 79.4 million acres, down 3 percent from 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. Growers expect to harvest 72.1 million acres for grain, down 4 percent from 2005. Farmers responding to the

survey indicated that 99 percent of the intended corn acreage had been planted at the time of the interview, compared with the average of 98 percent for the past 10 years. The 2006 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 41.4 million acres, 2 percent above last year but virtually unchanged from the previous estimate. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 31.1 million acres, down slightly from the June 1 forecast and down 8 percent from last year. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2006 is estimated at 14.6 million acres, up 4 percent from 2005. Grain area is expected to total 14.2 million acres, also up 4 percent from last year. Area planted to sorghum in 2006 is estimated at 6.28 million acres, down 3 percent from 2005 and the lowest since records began in 1929. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 5.32 million acres, down 7 percent from last year. Area planted to sunflower totaled 1.90 million acres in 2006, down 30 percent from last year. Harvested acreage is down 31 percent, to 1.80 million acres.

GRAIN STOCKS

JUNE 1, 2006

All wheat stocks in **Colorado** as of June 1, 2006 totaled 10.15 million bushels, down 14 percent from one year earlier. Farm stocks were down 50 percent to 1.5 million bushels and off-farm stocks were down 1 percent to 8.65 million bushels. Corn stocks, at 35.71 million bushels, were down 6 percent from a year ago. Farm stocks unchanged at 20.0 million bushels but off-farm stocks were down 12 percent to 15.71 million bushels.

| Grain Stocks, Colorado and United States June 1, 2005-20 |
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| Grain | Colo | | United States | | | |
|-----------------|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------|--|--|
| and Position 1/ | 2005 2006 | | 2005 | 2006 | | |
| | 1,000 Bushels | | | | | |
| All wheat | | | | | | |
| On farms | 3,000 | 1,500 | 161,275 | 111,010 | | |
| Off farms | 8,750 | 8,650 | 378,825 | 456,833 | | |
| Total | 11,750 | 10,150 | 540,100 | 567,843 | | |
| Corn | | | | | | |
| On farms | 20,000 | 20,000 | 2,462,300 | 2,350,500 | | |
| Off farms | 17,940 | 15,710 | 1,858,513 | 2,012,020 | | |
| Total | 37,940 | 35,710 | 4,320,813 | 4,362,520 | | |
| Barley | | | | | | |
| On farms | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 41,100 | 30,770 | | |
| Off farms | <u>3</u> / | 5,735 | 87,317 | 77,261 | | |
| Total | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 128,417 | 108,031 | | |
| Oats | | | | | | |
| On farms | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 25,350 | 25,190 | | |
| Off farms | 62 | 100 | 32,592 | 27,401 | | |
| Total | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 57,942 | 52,591 | | |
| Sorghum | | | | | | |
| On farms | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 16,000 | 12,650 | | |
| Off farms | 1,050 | 825 | 97,170 | 94,696 | | |
| Total | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 113,170 | 107,346 | | |
| Soybeans | | | | | | |
| On farms | <u>2</u> / | <u>2</u> / | 356,100 | 495,500 | | |
| Off farms | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 343,174 | 494,640 | | |
| Total | <u>3</u> / | <u>3</u> / | 699,274 | 990,140 | | |

<u>1</u>/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors. <u>2</u>/ Not estimated. 3/ Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. **Nationally**, corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 4.36 billion bushels, up 1 percent from June 1, 2005. Of the total stocks, 2.35 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 5 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.01 billion bushels, are up 8 percent from a year ago. Soybeans stored in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 990 million bushels, up 42 percent from June 1, 2005. Onfarm stocks totaled 496 million bushels, up 39 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 495 million bushels, are up 44 percent from the previous year. All wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 568 million bushels, up 5 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 111 million bushels, down 31 percent from last year. Offfarm stocks, at 457 million bushels, are up 21 percent from a year ago.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES JUNE 15, 2006

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 118, based on 1990-92=100, increased 3 points (2.6 percent) from May. The Crop Index is down 2 points (1.6 percent) but the Livestock Index increased 6 points (5.8 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for broilers, sweet corn, hogs, and broccoli. Lower prices were received for lettuce, cantaloup, corn, and strawberries. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of wheat, grapes, hay, and cantaloup offset decreased marketings of oranges, tomatoes, strawberries, and sweet corn.

The June index is 126, down 1.6 percent from May but 5.0 percent above June 2005. The June all wheat price, at \$3.96 per bushel, is down 13 cents from May but up 73 cents from June 2005. The corn price, at \$2.05 per bushel, is down 12 cents from last month but 2 cents above June 2005. The all hay price, at \$109 per ton, is \$5.00 below May but up \$7.00 from last June. The soybean price, at \$5.57 per bushel, decreased 11 cents from May but is \$1.01 below June 2005. The all dry bean price, at \$18.50 per cwt, is down 90 cents from the previous month and \$9.20 below June 2005.

The June Livestock and Products index, at 110, is 5.8 percent above last month but down 6.0 percent from June 2005. The June hog price, at \$53.20 per cwt, is up \$5.00 from May and \$3.70 higher than a year ago. The June beef cattle price of \$84.00 is up \$1.80 from last month but \$4.00 lower than June 2005. The June all milk price of \$12.10 is up 10 cents from last month but down \$2.30 from June 2005.

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| Index | 20 | 005 | 20 | 06 |
| 1990-92 = 100 | May | June | May | June |
| | | Perc | cent | |
| Prices Received | 119 | 119 | 115 | 118 |
| Prices Paid | 140 | 141 | 147 | 147 |
| Ratio <u>1</u> / | 85 | 84 | 78 | 80 |
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1/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid.

Colorado wheat, at \$4.28 per bushel for mid-June 2006, increased 2 cents from the previous month and was 1.29 higher than June a year ago. Mid-June corn prices dropped 4 cents below May to \$2.30 per bushel but averaged 22 cents

above June 2005. The mid-June potato price, at \$8.20 per cwt, decreased 9 cents from last month but was \$3.75 per cwt above June a year ago. The alfalfa hay price, at \$120.00 per ton, increased \$18.00 from last month and was \$33.00 above a year ago. Other hay price, at \$115.00 per ton, increased \$17.00 from last month and was \$40.00 above June a year ago. The mid-June steer and heifer price was \$3.00 above last month at \$104.00 per cwt but averaged \$6.00 below the \$110.00 per cwt a year ago. Cow prices were down 50 cents from last month to \$47.70 per cwt and were \$8.90 per cwt below June 2005. Calf prices, at \$126.00 per cwt, increased \$6.00 from May but were \$16.00 lower than the \$142.00 per cwt received a year ago.

| Average Price | 5 Accel | | armers <u>1.</u> Colorado | / |
|----------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
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| Item | Unit | June 2005 | May 2006 | June 2006 |
| Crops | Oint | 2005 | Dollars | 2000 |
| Wheat | Bu. | 2.99 | 4.26 | 4.28 |
| Corn | Bu. | 2.09 | 4.20 2.34 | 2.30 |
| Barley (All) | Bu. | 2.00 <u>2</u> / | 2.34 <u>2</u> / | 2.50 |
| Potatoes | Cwt | 4.45 | 8.29 | 8.20 |
| Dry edible beans | Cwt | <u>4.45</u> | 18.40 | 18.90 |
| Alfalfa hay (baled) | Ton | 87.00 | 102.00 | 120.0 |
| Other hay (baled) | Ton | 75.00 | 98.00 | 115.0 |
| Livestock & Products | 1011 | / 5.00 | 20.00 | 115.0 |
| Beef Cattle | Cwt | 109.00 | 100.00 | 103.0 |
| Steers & heifers | Cwt | 110.00 | 101.00 | 103.0 |
| Cows | Cwt | 56.60 | 48.20 | 47.7 |
| Calves | Cwt | 142.00 | 120.00 | 126.0 |
| Sheep | Cwt | 37.20 | 34.00 | 120.0 |
| Lambs | Cwt | 117.00 | 95.00 | 3 |
| Milk sold to plants | Cwt | 14.20 | 12.00 | 12.1 |
| while sold to plants | 0 | | nited State | |
| Crops | | | Dollars | 5 |
| Wheat | Bu. | 3.23 | 4.09 | 3.9 |
| Corn | Bu. | 2.03 | 2.17 | 2.0 |
| Soybeans | Bu. | 6.58 | 5.68 | 5.5 |
| Barley (All) | Bu. | 2.55 | 2.96 | 2.7 |
| Barley (Feed) | Bu. | 2.04 | 2.57 | 2.2 |
| Sorghum | Cwt | 3.77 | 4.01 | 4.1 |
| Potatoes | Cwt | 6.29 | 8.05 | 8.5 |
| Dry edible beans | Cwt | 27.70 | 19.40 | 18.5 |
| Alfalfa hay (baled) | Ton | 112.00 | 118.00 | 115.0 |
| Other hay (baled) | Ton | 73.60 | 96.80 | 90.1 |
| Onions | Cwt | 17.80 | 13.40 | 12.8 |
| Livestock & Products | | | | |
| Beef Cattle | Cwt | 88.00 | 82.20 | 84.0 |
| Steers & heifers | Cwt | 91.50 | 86.50 | 88.4 |
| Cows | Cwt | 56.80 | 47.50 | 46.1 |
| Calves | Cwt | 140.00 | 132.00 | 132.0 |
| Sheep | Cwt | 41.20 | 33.20 | 3 |
| Lambs | Cwt | 114.00 | 88.90 | 3 |
| Hogs | Cwt | 49.50 | 48.20 | 53.2 |
| Milk sold to plants | Cwt | 14.40 | 12.00 | 12.1 |
| Broilers | Lb. | 0.440 | 0.340 | 0.39 |

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|---------|--------|----------|----|---------|----|
| Average | Prices | Received | Bv | Farmers | 1/ |

1/ Prices received by farmers refer to prices at the point of first sale out of farmer's hands and should not be confused with prices of specific grades or classes of a particular agricultural commodity. They do not include direct government payments. 2/ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

3/ Discontinued.

HOGS AND PIGS JUNE 1, 2006

The June 1, 2006 inventory of all hogs and pigs in **Colorado** totaled 820,000 head, up 5 percent from a year earlier. The breeding inventory at 150,000 head, was up 7 percent from last year, and the market hog inventory increased 5 percent to 670,000 head. During the December 2005 - May 2006 period, 160,000 sows farrowed, up 5 percent from the same time period a year ago. The number of pigs born during the period totaled 1.4 million up from 1.3 million born during the same time period a year earlier. The number of pigs per litter during the Dec - May time periods averaged 8.9, up from 8.7 in 2005.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2006 was 60.9 million head. This was up slightly from June 1, 2005 and up 1 percent from March 1, 2006. Breeding inventory, at 6.06 million head, was up 1 percent from both last year and from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 54.9 million head, was up slightly from last year and up 2 percent from last quarter.

The March-May 2006 pig crop, at 26.3 million head, was up 1 percent from 2005 and up 3 percent from 2004. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.90 million head, up 1 percent from both 2005 and 2004. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.08 for the March-May 2006 period, compared to 9.02 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.92 million sows farrow during the June-August 2006 quarter, up slightly from the actual farrowings in 2005, and up 1 percent from 2004. Intended farrowings for September-November 2006, at 2.92 million sows, are up one percent from both 2005 and 2004.

The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 38 percent of the total United States hog inventory, down from 40 percent last year.

| Hogs and Pigs, June 1, 2005-2006 | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|--|
| | Colorado United States | | | | | |
| Item | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | | |
| | 1,000 Head | | | | | |
| All Hogs & Pigs | 780 | 820 | 60,732 | 60,927 | | |
| Kept for breeding | 140 | 150 | 5,977 | 6,060 | | |
| Market | 640 | 670 | 54,754 | 54,867 | | |
| Under 60 lbs | 355 | 350 | 20,423 | 20,598 | | |
| 60-119 lbs | 110 | 85 | 13,376 | 13,442 | | |
| 120-179 lbs | 60 | 90 | 11,143 | 11,195 | | |
| 180 lbs. & over | 115 | 145 | 9,813 | 9,633 | | |
| Sows Farrowed: | | | | | | |
| Dec. <u>1</u> / thru Feb | 75 | 79 | 2,835 | 2,840 | | |
| Mar. thru May | 77 | 81 | 2,882 | 2,897 | | |
| Dec. thru May <u>2</u> / | 152 | 160 | 5,717 | 5,737 | | |
| Pig Crop: | | | | | | |
| Dec. <u>1</u> / thru Feb | 641 | 695 | 25,343 | 25,656 | | |
| Mar. thru May | 678 | 721 | 25,986 | 26,301 | | |
| Dec. thru May <u>2</u> / | 1,319 | 1,416 | 51,329 | 51,957 | | |

1/ December preceding year. 2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

UPCOMING REPORTS

Colorado and U.S. data from most of the following reports will appear in subsequent issues of AG UPDATE. However, those who have an immediate need for the data may call this office after 1:15 P.M. on the day of release - toll free 1-800-392-3202. The complete USDA report is also available on the Worldwide Web at: http://www.nass.usda.gov

- July 6 Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts Annual
- July 10 Vegetables
- July 12 Crop Production
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