

MARKETING HIGHLIGHTS

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MONTH	COMMODITY	12/16	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23	12/26	12/27	12/28	12/29	YR AGO 12/30/04
MAR	COTTON	53.39	53.63	53.22	52.85	54.14	53.54	*	53.80	54.07	53.65	44.77
DEC '06	COTTON	57.25	57.50	57.23	56.53	57.50	56.85	*	57.00	57.40	57.00	48.46
MAR	CORN	2.08	2.09	2.10	2.10	2.13	2.14	*	2.16	2.16	2.11	2.05
SEPT	CORN	2.34	2.35	2.36	2.36	2.38	2.39	*	2.40	2.40	2.36	2.28
JULY	WHEAT	3.38	3.42	3.47	3.48	3.50	3.53	*	3.59	3.64	3.56	3.21
MAR	SOYBEANS	6.03	6.21	6.17	6.19	6.25	6.25	*	6.24	6.22	6.09	5.48
NOV	SOYBEANS	6.23	6.38	6.34	6.34	6.40	6.36	*	6.36	6.35	6.26	5.47
MAR	SOYMEAL	191.70	199.20	198.60	201.20	203.60	203.40	*	203.50	202.60	197.80	163.00
MAY	SOYMEAL	192.90	199.00	199.10	201.40	204.00	203.90	*	204.00	203.50	199.40	165.00
JUNE	HOGS	70.82	70.90	71.50	71.47	71.27	71.32	*	70.67	70.97	71.77	77.97
APR	CATTLE	94.70	94.62	95.02	94.32	93.80	93.92	*	93.90	94.80	94.67	85.62
MAR	FEEDER CATTLE	113.85	114.07	114.75	113.95	113.32	113.42	*	113.70	114.25	113.97	96.00

* Markets Closed for holiday.

CATTLE: South Carolina livestock markets were mostly closed during the weeks December 19-December 30. Weekly reports will resume January 6, 2006.

COTTON: Approximate S.C. contract price, FOB gin, SLM 1 1/16 on Thursday, Dec 29, is \$50.90 (basis Mar -\$2.75).

GRAIN: S.C. closing cash grain bids Thursday, Dec 29, reported by the USDA-SC Agriculture Market News.

COUNTRY ELEVATORS	Cash	CORN		SOYBEANS		WHEAT	
		Cash	New Crop	Cash	New Crop	Cash	New Crop
Anderson				5.42			
Alcolu							
Bennettsville							
Coward							
Florence							
Klingstree							
Latta							
Springfield							
Hamer	2.11			5.83		2.62	3.31
Lynchburg	1.86			5.53			2.97
Orangeburg 2				5.78			
Estill	1.82						3.16
PROCESSORS							
Orangeburg 1	2.51					2.57	
Orangeburg 2	2.41					2.50	
Monetta	2.31						
Sumter	2.51						
Cassatt	2.21						
Columbia							3.50
Kershaw				6.12			
Estill				6.10			

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CLOSING OPTIONS PREMIUMS **FRIDAY DECEMBER 30, 2005**

SOYBEANS				CORN			
MAR	6.20	PUT....	.2925	MAR	2.20	PUT....	.1000
		CALL...	.2275			CALL...	.0575
MAY	6.20	PUT....	.3525	MAY	2.30	PUT....	.1725
		CALL...	.3713			CALL...	.0863
WHEAT				LIVE CATTLE			
MAR	3.40	PUT....	.1363	APR	96.00	PUT....	3.40
		CALL...	.1288			CALL	2.45
MAY	3.50	PUT....	.1900	JUN	88.00	PUT....	3.18
		CALL...	.1775			CALL...	2.50
FEEDER CATTLE				LEAN HOGS			
MAR	114.00	PUT....	2.15	APR	68.00	PUT....	3.15
		CALL...	2.87			CALL...	3.63
APR	114.00	PUT....	2.43	JUN	72.00	PUT....	3.90
		CALL...	3.40			CALL...	4.23
COTTON							
		MAR	52.00	PUT....	.83		
				CALL...	2.48		
		MAR	53.00	PUT....	1.23		
				CALL...	1.88		
		MAR	54.00	PUT....	1.73		
				CALL...	1.38		