



# MONTHLY FARM REPORT

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### PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

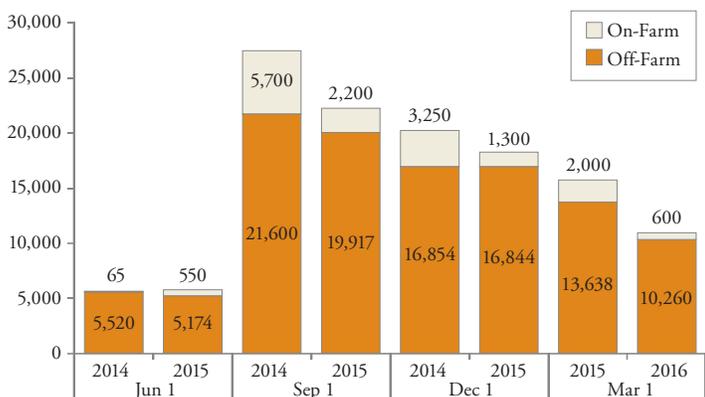
CROPS	NORTH CAROLINA			UNITED STATES		
	2015	2016 Intentions	Percent Change	2015	2016 Intentions	Percent Change
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>			<i>Thousand Acres</i>		
			<i>+/-</i>			<i>+/-</i>
Barley <sup>1</sup>	19	N/A	N/A	3,558	3,140	-12
Corn: All	790	930	+18	87,999	93,601	+6
Cotton <sup>2</sup>	385	290	-25	8,581	9,562	+11
Hay: All <sup>3</sup>	777	830	+7	54,437	54,305	0
Oats <sup>1</sup>	35	40	+14	3,088	2,751	-11
Peanuts	90	95	+6	1,625	1,476	-9
Potatoes <sup>5</sup>	13.5	N/A	N/A	1,065.2	N/A	N/A
Sorghum	N/A	50.0	N/A	8,459	7,216	-15
Soybeans	1,820	1,700	-7	82,650	82,236	-1
Sweet Potatoes	87.0	105.0	+21	156.9	169.4	+8
Tobacco: Burley <sup>3</sup>	1.00	0.95	-5	78.90	79.15	0
Tobacco: Flue-cured <sup>3</sup>	170.00	160.00	-6	218.00	209.00	-4
Wheat: Winter <sup>1 4</sup>	650	490	-25	54,644	49,559	-9

<sup>1</sup> Includes acreage planted in preceeding fall. <sup>2</sup> U.S. includes Upland and American-Pima cotton. <sup>3</sup> Data for hay and tobacco represent harvested acres.

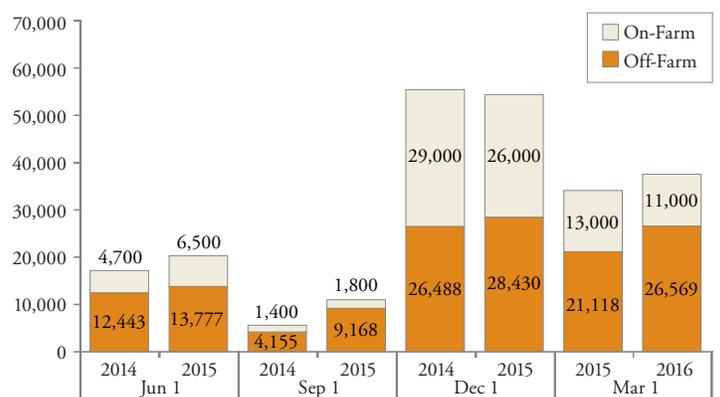
<sup>4</sup> U.S. includes Winter, Durum and Other Spring wheat. <sup>5</sup> Beginning in 2016 North Carolina estimates included with summer states.



WHEAT STOCKS (Thousand Bushels)

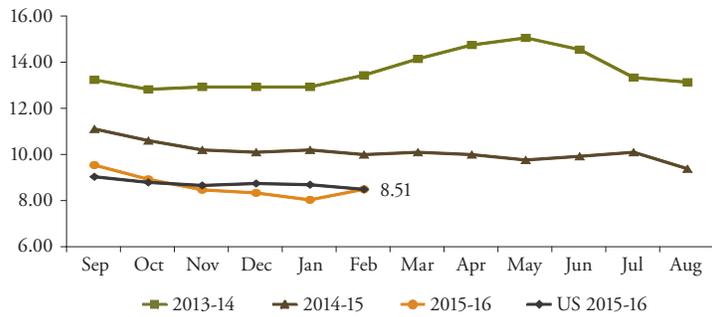


CORN STOCKS (Thousand Bushels)



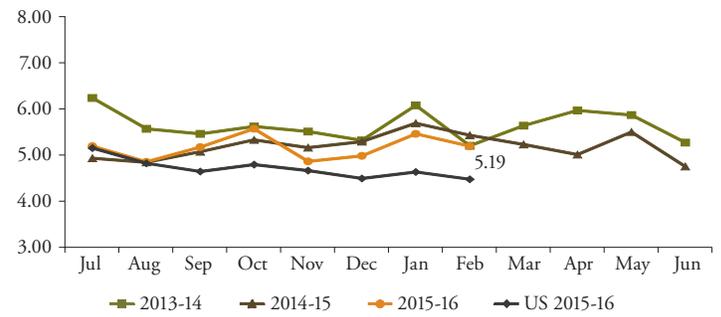
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(Dollars per Bushel)



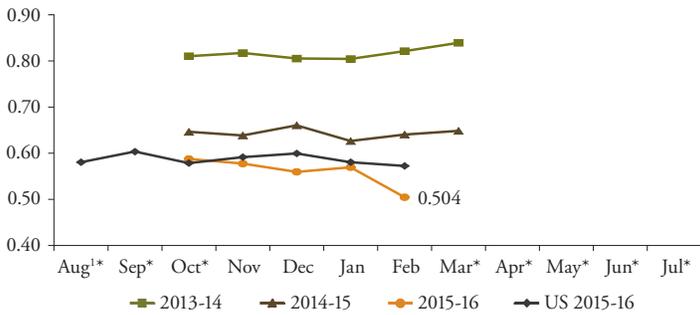
## MONTHLY PRICE RECEIVED FOR WINTER WHEAT

(Dollars per Bushel)



## MONTHLY PRICE RECEIVED FOR COTTON

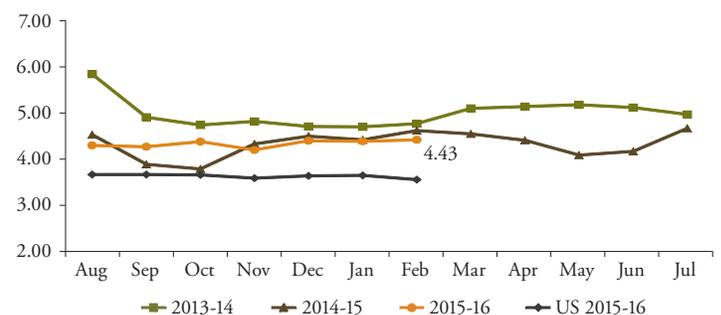
(Dollars per Pound)



<sup>1</sup> North Carolina had insufficient sales to establish prices in August 2014.\* North Carolina price withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations as indicated.

## MONTHLY PRICE RECEIVED FOR CORN

(Dollars per Bushel)



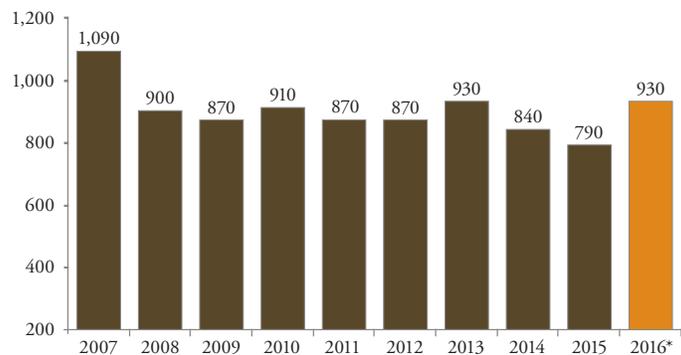
**Sweet Potato** growers intend to plant 105,000 acres, **up 21%** from last year.

**Corn plantings** are expected to total 930,000 acres in 2016, **up 18%** from 2015.

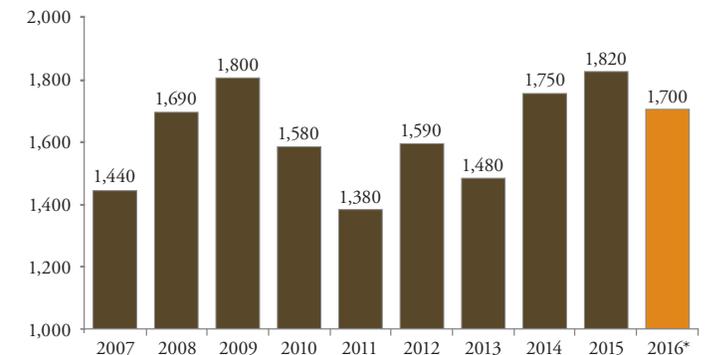


**Peanut** growers intend to plant 95,000 acres in 2016, **up 6%** from last year.

## CORN PLANTINGS (Thousand Acres)



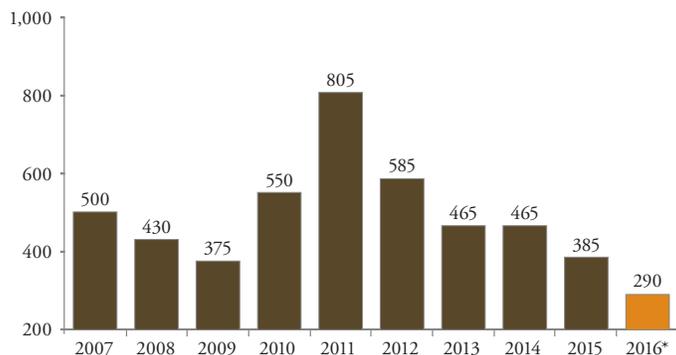
## SOYBEAN PLANTINGS (Thousand Acres)



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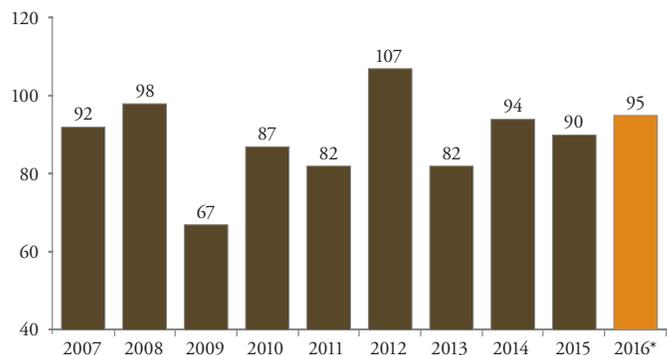
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## UPLAND COTTON PLANTINGS (Thousand Acres)



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## PEANUT PLANTINGS (Thousand Acres)



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## EGG PRODUCTION - February

State	Layers On Hand		Total Eggs Produced		Table Eggs		Hatching Eggs	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Million Eggs</i>					
Alabama	9,108	9,329	161	170	33	37	128	133
Florida	9,061	8,960	189	198	185	194	4	4
Georgia	18,777	19,167	367	396	212	232	155	164
<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>14,420</b>	<b>14,481</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>135</b>
South Carolina	4,456	4,398	92	93	71	71	21	22
United States	365,440	355,727	7,688	7,790	6,685	6,726	1,004	1,064

## CHICKS HATCHED - February

State	Broiler-Type		
	2015	2016	Percent Change
	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>
Alabama	97,484	101,353	+4
Arkansas	72,152	75,121	+4
Delaware	15,795	16,411	+4
Florida	3,796	4,157	+10
Georgia	112,004	118,123	+5
Kentucky	25,870	26,995	+4
Louisiana	12,840	12,345	-4
Maryland	25,462	27,027	+6
Mississippi	60,037	63,780	+6
Missouri	27,366	28,099	+3
<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>69,005</b>	<b>72,831</b>	<b>+6</b>
Oklahoma	21,021	23,924	+14
Pennsylvania	14,276	15,804	+11
South Carolina	17,185	18,630	+8
Texas	50,379	53,357	+6
Virginia	21,659	21,714	0
California, Tennessee, & West Virginia	39,030	41,133	+5
19 States <sup>1</sup>	685,361	720,804	+5
Other States <sup>2</sup>	25,862	27,816	+8
United States	711,223	748,620	+5

<sup>1</sup> States in the weekly hatchery production estimating program are those listed above. <sup>2</sup> Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

## CHICKEN EGGS

**South Atlantic Region:** Broiler-Type eggs in incubators on March 1, 2016 totaled 250,243,000. The total was up 1% from the March 1, 2015 total of 246,995,000 eggs. The total number of Egg-Type eggs in incubators on March 1, 2016 increased 30% from 4,049,000 eggs in 2015 to 5,276,000.

## SOWS FARROWING

North Carolina producers intend to farrow 440,000 sows during the March–May and 445,000 during the June–August 2016 quarters.

## PIG CROP

The State's pig crop during the December 2015 – February 2016 period totaled 4.5 million head, up 7% from the same period last year.

## PIGS PER LITTER

The number of pigs saved per litter averaged 9.9, which is up from the 9.5 pigs saved during the same quarter last year.



## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER - February

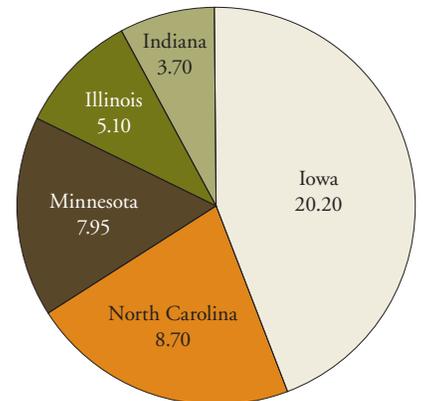
SPECIES	North Carolina				United States					
	Number Slaughtered <sup>1</sup>		Total Live Weight		Number Slaughtered <sup>1</sup>		Total Live Weight		Total Dressed Weight	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>Thousand Pounds</i>		<i>Million Head</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
Cattle	4.2	5.2	5,072	6,228	2.2	2.3	2,935	3,133	1,769	1,895
Hogs	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	9.1	9.4	2,587	2,671	1,945	2,001

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. <sup>1</sup> Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

## HOG & PIG INVENTORY

ITEM	March 1 Inventory			December 1 Inventory		
	2015	2016	Percent Change	2014	2015	Percent Change
	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>
<b>North Carolina</b>						
All Hogs and Pigs	8,600	8,700	+1	8,800	8,800	0
Breeding Hogs	890	880	-1	880	870	-1
Market Hogs	7,710	7,820	+1	7,920	7,930	0
Under 50 Lbs.	2,800	3,080	+10	3,010	2,950	-2
50-119 Lbs.	1,810	1,730	-4	1,830	1,880	+3
120-179 Lbs.	1,640	1,710	+4	1,580	1,590	+1
180 Lbs. and Over	1,460	1,300	-11	1,500	1,510	+1
<b>United States</b>						
All Hogs and Pigs	67,399	67,644	0	67,776	68,389	+1
Breeding Hogs	5,982	5,980	0	5,939	6,002	+1
Market Hogs	61,418	61,664	0	61,838	62,387	+1

## HOG INVENTORY LEADING STATES March 1, 2016 (Million Head)



## HOG & PIG INVENTORY (Thousand Head)

