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## Farm Product Price Index

June 2006

Prices farmers received for their commodities were 0.5% lower in June from the same month a year earlier, as lower crops prices offset an increase in overall livestock prices.

Prices for crops fell 6.4% from June 2005, as prices for grains, oilseeds and speciality crops continued their downward trend that began in November 2004. On the other hand, potato prices continued their upward trend which has run for most of this last crop year.

Meanwhile, prices for livestock and animal products were 4.1% higher compared with June 2005 — the first year-over-year increase for this index in 2006. Higher cattle and calf prices offset lower hog and poultry prices.

The Farm Product Price Index stood at 96.0 (1997=100) in June, up 0.3% from the revised May index of 95.7.

Prices farmers received for livestock and animal products edged up 1.9% in June from a month earlier, as hog, cattle and calf and poultry prices rose.

Hog prices increased for second consecutive month to its highest level in the last 10 months, climbing 7.6% to 80.3 in June. The increase occurred as the value of the Canadian dollar retreated and export demand remained strong. Previously, hog prices had been struggling with a rising Canadian dollar and ample North American supplies.

Cattle and calf prices also increased in June, up 2.5% from May. There were only marginal changes in the prices of supply-managed commodities in June.

Oilseed prices continued upwards as the index rose 1.0% to 71.0 in June, the fourth consecutive monthly increase. Grain prices were also 0.6% higher from May to June. The month-to-month changes for both grain and oilseed prices have oscillated during the first half of this year, ranging from a decline of 3.9% to a 3.5% increase. With ample supplies available for the current crop year, prices were influenced by weather conditions affecting this fall's production and movement in the value of the Canadian dollar.

Potato prices rose 2.9% in June after edging down in May, continuing their upward trend that began November 2005. Reduced production in 2005 had helped boost prices over the winter and spring.

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**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5040.**

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## Farm Product Price Index

(1997=100)

	June 2005 <sup>r</sup>	May 2006 <sup>f</sup>	June 2006 <sup>p</sup>	June 2005 to June 2006	May to June 2006
	% change				
<b>Farm Product Price Index</b>	<b>96.5</b>	<b>95.7</b>	<b>96.0</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>84.7</b>	<b>82.8</b>	<b>-6.4</b>	<b>-2.2</b>
Grains	75.3	65.6	66.0	-12.4	0.6
Oilseeds	83.0	70.3	71.0	-14.5	1.0
Specialty crops	91.3	75.3	79.9	-12.5	6.1
Fruit	111.4	106.6	92.8	-16.7	-12.9
Vegetables	111.0	112.9	113.0	1.8	0.1
Potatoes	116.0	157.0	161.6	39.3	2.9
<b>Livestock and animal products</b>	<b>103.1</b>	<b>105.3</b>	<b>107.3</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Cattle and calves	100.0	112.8	115.6	15.6	2.5
Hogs	85.6	74.6	80.3	-6.2	7.6
Poultry	99.4	94.5	94.6	-4.8	0.1
Eggs	95.6	97.9	97.9	2.4	0.0
Dairy	124.9	128.6	127.4	2.0	-0.9

<sup>r</sup> revised

<sup>p</sup> preliminary



**Pipeline transportation of crude oil and refined petroleum products**

May 2006

Data on the net receipts of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons, liquefied petroleum gases and refined petroleum products, pipeline exports of crude oil and deliveries of crude oil by pipeline to Canadian refineries are now available for May.

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**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 2148 and 2191.**

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