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NASS SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE STATISTICS

WASHINGTON, July 18, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) is now seeking nominations for new members to serve on the Advisory Committee on Agricultural Statistics. The Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics advises the Secretary of Agriculture on the scope, timing, and informational content to obtain from respondents of the periodic agricultural censuses, surveys of agriculture, and other related industry surveys.

The committee also prepares recommendations on the content of agricultural reports and presents the views and the data needs of major suppliers and users of agricultural statistics. The committee, appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture, consists of 20 members representing a broad range of disciplines and interests including, but not limited to, agricultural producers, national farm organizations, agricultural economists, rural sociologists, farm policy analysts, educators, State agricultural organizations, and agriculture-related business and marketing experts. Members will serve for a two-year term and can serve up to three terms for a total of 6 consecutive years.

Nominees must submit the following form: AD-755 (Advisory Committee Membership Background Information, OMB Number 0505-0001), available online at www.usda.gov/documents/OCIO_AD_755_Master_2012.pdf. Nominees also may request the form by telephone (202) 720-9579, fax (202) 690-1311, or e-mail (michelle.radice@nass.usda.gov).

To submit a completed form, fax to (202) 690-1311; email to michelle.radice@nass.usda.gov; or mail or hand deliver to Hubert Hamer, Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5029, Washington, D.C. 20250-2010. See the [Federal Register](http://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/07/09/2012-16671/notice-of-invitation-for-nominations-to-the-advisory-committee-on-agriculture-statistics) notice for details at <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/07/09/2012-16671/notice-of-invitation-for-nominations-to-the-advisory-committee-on-agriculture-statistics>.

The deadline to submit a nomination is July 27, 2012.

For more information about the advisory committee visit [www.nass.usda.gov/About NASS/Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics/index.asp](http://www.nass.usda.gov/About_NASS/Advisory_Committee_on_Agriculture_Statistics/index.asp).

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