

DEAN FOODS CO/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HARDIN JOSEPH S JR**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
820 PICACHO LANE  
(Street)  
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93108

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DEAN FOODS CO/ [DF]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/16/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	06/16/2005		M		13,000	A	\$ 13.9583
Common Stock					2,100	I	by Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.5433					06/30/1998 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/30/2008	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.9583	06/16/2005		M	13,000	06/30/1999 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/30/2009	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.2917					06/30/2000 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/30/2010	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.7					06/29/2001 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/29/2011	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.7733					07/01/2002 <sup>(1)</sup> 07/01/2012	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5					06/30/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/30/2013	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.31					06/30/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/30/2014	Common Stock
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0					06/30/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> 06/30/2013	Common Stock
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0					06/30/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 06/30/2014	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARDIN JOSEPH S JR 820 PICACHO LANE SANTA BARBARA, CA 93108		X		

## Signatures

Joseph S.  
Hardin, Jr.

04/04/2005

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The options were granted automatically under the Issuer's 1997 Amended and Restated Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan, and are fully vested and immediately exercisable upon grant.
- The reporting person has received an award of Deferred Stock Units ("DSUs") which is a right to receive shares of common stock of the
- (2) Issuer in the future, subject to the terms and conditions of the DSU Award Agreement. The DSUs vest annually, on a prorata basis, over a three year period beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.

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