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#### FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of April 2005

CNH GLOBAL N.V.

(Translation of Registrant s Name Into English)

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#### CNH Global N.V.

Summary North American Retail Unit Sales Activity
For Selected Agricultural and Construction Equipment,
During the Month of March and Cumulative for 3 Months, 2005,
And Indicators of North American Dealer Inventory Levels for Selected Agricultural
Equipment at the End of February 2005
Relative to Industry Results or Levels, Compared with Prior Year Periods

The following table summarizes selected agricultural and construction equipment industry retail unit sales results in North America as compared with prior year periods. Industry results for the current periods are expressed as a percentage change from the prior year periods, by major product category. The percentage change reflects only industry retail unit sales results and is derived from flash, or preliminary actual, data of the U.S. Association of Equipment Manufacturers ( AEM ) and of the Canadian Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute ( CFIEI ).

These industry data are based on unit sales as preliminarily reported by AEM and CFIEI member companies and include most, but not all, of the equipment sold in each of the categories. The data are subject to revision from time to time and caution should be maintained when using the data for any purpose. Actual results will vary and may not be known for some time. Over time, industry results will be adjusted to reflect actual sales differences, reclassifications, or other factors. Retail unit sales will fluctuate from month to month due to several factors, including timing of new products and new product introductions, product availability, and sales programs. CNH Global N.V. s performance for the same periods is described relative to the change in industry results.

Also included in the table are indicators of North American dealer inventory levels. Industry data are derived from the flash, or preliminary actual, data of the AEM and CFIEI and expressed as the number of months of inventory on hand, based on the simple average of the previous 12 months retail unit sales results. CNH Global N.V. s dealer s inventory levels for the same periods are described relative to the industry levels.

This information reflects point-in-time data that is not necessarily representative of either the market or of CNH Global N.V. s relative performance going forward, nor does it reflect or imply any forward-looking information regarding the market or CNH Global N.V. s relative performance in that market.

Copies of the relevant Agricultural Flash report from AEM and CFIEI follow the table.

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# SUMMARY OF NORTH AMERICAN RETAIL ACTIVITY

CATEGORY RETAIL UNIT SALES: MONTH OF March 2005	Total North American INDUSTRY	CNH RELATIVE PERFORMANCE (All Brands)		
Agricultural Tractors: under 40 horsepower (2WD)	(5.8)%	down low single digits, less than the industry		
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	+22.6%	down low double digits		
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	(0.7)%	down moderate double digits		
4 wheel drive tractors	(13.6)%	down low double digits, less than the industry		
Sub total tractors over 40 hp	+14.2%	down low double digits		
Total Ag tractors	+2.5%	down low double digits		
Combines	+17.7%	down high double digits		
Loader/backhoes	up low double digits	up moderate double digits		
Skid Steer Loaders	down mid single digits	down moderate double digits		
Total Heavy Construction Equipment	up low double digits	up low double digits, more than the industry		
RETAIL UNIT SALES: 3 MONTHS, 2005				
Agricultural Tractors: under 40 horsepower (2WD)	(1.7)%	down mid single digits		
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	+18.8%	down low double digits		
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	+7.6%	down low double digits		
4 wheel drive tractors	(6.4)%	down low double digits		
Sub total tractors over 40 hp	+14.5%	down low double digits		
Total Ag tractors	+5.8%	down low double digits		

Combines +39.3% down moderate double digits Loader/backhoes up low double digits up moderate double digits **Skid Steer Loaders** up mid single digits down low double digits Total Heavy Construction Equipment up low double digits up low double digits, less than the industry **DEALER INVENTORIES: END OF FEBRUARY 2005 Agricultural Tractors:** under 40 horsepower (2WD) <sup>1</sup>/2 month more than the industry 5.7 months supply 40 to 100 horsepower (2WD) 4.8 months supply 1 month less than the industry over 100 horsepower (2WD) <sup>1</sup>/2 month less than the industry 3.7 months supply 4 wheel drive tractors 3.3 months supply in line with the industry Total tractors 5.2 months supply <sup>1</sup>/2 month less than the industry

2.2 months supply

1 month more than the industry

Dated: April 15, 2005

Combines

### **Canadian Ag Flash Reports**

### March 2005 Flash Report Canada Unit Retail Sales

(Report released 4/11/2005)

These data are, in part, estimates that are subject to revisions when final detail data become available. Because of the seasonal nature of the industry, comparisons of monthly data from one period to another should be done with extreme caution. These data represent most, but not all, of the manufacturers in each product category being sold at retail in the Provinces of Canada.

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		March		March YTD		February 2005 2004 Canadian Canadian (Field) (Field)		
Equipment	2005	2004	% Chg.	2005	2004	% Chg.	Inventory	Inventory
Farm Wheel Tractors -								
2 Wheel Drive								
Under 40 HP	399	375	6.4	835	836	-0.1	3,786	2,741
40 & Under 100 HP	360	355	1.4	949	960	-1.1	2,363	2,575
100 HP & Over	247	228	8.3	578	495	16.8	1,433	1,643
Total - 2 Wheel Drive	1,006	958	5.0	2,362	2,291	3.1	7,582	6,959
Total - 4 Wheel Drive	51	66	-22.7	89	143	-37.8	199	198
<b>Total Farm Wheel</b>								
Tractors	1,057	1,024	3.2	2,451	2,434	0.7	7,781	7,157
Combines								
(Self-Propelled)	60	52	15.4	165	130	26.9	415	487

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# U.S. Ag Flash Reports

### March 2005 Flash Report U.S. Unit Retail Sales

(Report released 4/11/2005)

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	March	March		Y-T-D			February 2005 U.S. Field
Equipment	2005	2004	% Chg.	2005	Y-T-D 2004	% Chg.	Inventory
Farm Wheel Tractors -			_				_
2 Wheel Drive							
Under 40 HP	10,110	10,778	-6.2	21,168	21,549	-1.8	62,759
40 & Under 100 HP	6,105	4,918	24.1	14,426	11,977	20.4	29,208
100 HP & Over	1,891	1,924	-1.7	5,217	4,889	6.7	5,925
Total - 2 Wheel Drive	18,106	17,620	2.8	40,811	38,415	6.2	97,892
Total - 4 Wheel Drive	336	382	-12.0	762	766	-0.5	984
<b>Total Farm Wheel</b>							
Tractors	18,442	18,002	2.4	41,573	39,181	6.1	98,876
Combines							
(Self-Propelled)	313	265	18.1	917	647	41.7	1,151

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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CNH Global N.V.

By: /s/ Richard R. Dykhouse Richard R. Dykhouse, Assistant Secretary

April 19, 2005