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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX DOWN 7 POINTS
PARITY INDEX UP 2 POINTS
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO DOWN 2 POINTS

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers dropped 7 points (2 percent) during the month ended October 15 to 274 percent of its 1910-14 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Contributing most to the decrease during the month were lower prices for hogs, eggs, lettuce, and grapefruit. Partially offsetting were higher prices for milk and cotton. The index was 1 percent below October 1969.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Including Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates increased 2 points ($\frac{1}{2}$ percent) to 394, a record high. The index was 17 points (5 percent) above mid-October 1969.

Lower farm product prices, together with higher prices and wage rates paid by farmers, resulted in a decline of the Adjusted Parity Ratio to 75 and the Parity Ratio to 70.

SUMMARY TABLE

Index 1910-14=100	: Oct. 15, : : 1969 :	Sept. 15, : : 1970 :	Oct. 15, : : 1970 :	5-Year High : Index:	Record High : Index:	Date	Date
Prices Received	: 277	281	274	: 289	1/Mar. 1970	313	Feb. 1951
Parity Index ^{2/}	: 3/377	3/392	394	: 394	Oct. 1970	394	Oct. 1970
Parity Ratio	: 3/ 73	72	70	: 83	Feb. 1966	123	Oct. 1946
Adjusted Parity Ratio ^{4/} (Prelim.):	: 3/ 79	77	75	: 89	Feb. 1966	125	Oct. 1946

^{1/} Also February 1970 revised.

^{2/} Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates based on data for indicated dates.

^{3/} Revised.

^{4/} See footnote ^{7/}, on page 8.

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PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

The Prices Received Index dropped 7 points (2 percent) from mid-September to mid-October. Of the subgroups shown on page 7, the following 6 contributed most to the net change.

MEAT ANIMALS: For the third month in a row a sharp decrease in hog prices led the decline (3 percent) in the index of prices received by farmers for meat animals. The index, at 379 percent of the 1910-14 average, was 6 percent below a year ago and at the lowest point since March 1969. Prices received by farmers for hogs declined \$1.80 per hundredweight during the month to average \$18.00 in mid-October, the lowest price since December 1968. All other meat animals except calves contributed to the decrease. Beef cattle were off 30 cents to \$26.50 per cwt., lambs off 20 cents to \$26.00, and sheep 10 cents to \$7.18. Calf prices were up 20 cents to \$34.10. Receipts of hogs at reporting yards for the four weeks ended October 17 were 17 percent above the previous four weeks and 9 percent above a year ago. Receipts of cattle were up 13 percent from a month ago, but 9 percent less than a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGGS: A sharp drop in egg prices and lesser declines in other poultry items lowered the poultry and egg index 11 percent during October to 136. Egg prices declined 14 percent to 33.2 cents per dozen in mid-October. Normally, there is little change from September to October. Broilers were off 4 percent to 12.8 cents per pound, and turkeys declined 3 percent to 22.0 cents per pound. The index was 17 percent below October 1969.

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES: The sharply lower price received for lettuce was primarily responsible for a 15 percent decline in the commercial vegetable index to 261. Lettuce prices, averaging \$4.92 per cwt. for the first half of October, registered a 54 percent decline from the corresponding period a month earlier. Also contributing to the decline were lower prices for celery and onions. Partially offsetting was a 33 percent advance in prices received for sweet corn. Compared with October 1969 the index was off 11 percent.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: Continued record high prices for milk, both fluid market and manufacturing grades, raised the dairy products index 3 percent during the month to 359. Prices received by farmers for fluid market milk sold to plants in October averaged \$6.32 per cwt., 13 cents above the revised September price and 10 cents above October 1969. Prices for manufacturing-grade milk averaged \$4.82 per cwt. in October, 13 cents above September and 14 cents above a year earlier. The index was 2 percent above October 1969.

FRUITS: Generally lower fruit prices, especially for new crop grapefruit, lowered the fruit index 8 percent during the month to 251. Equivalent-on-tree returns for grapefruit, at \$1.69 per box, averaged 50 percent below September as harvest of the large 1970-71 crop got underway. Also contributing to the decline were lower returns for apples and oranges. Partially offsetting were higher returns for new crop tangerines. Compared with a year earlier, the index was up 10 percent.

COTTON: Prices received by farmers for upland cotton advanced 4 percent from mid-September to average 22.83 cents per pound in mid-October, up 5 percent from a year earlier. The average September to October change is an increase of 6 percent. Although prices in several States were unchanged or lower in mid-October than a month earlier, increased marketings of new-crop cotton resulted in a higher U.S. price.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The index of prices paid by farmers was up 1 point ($\frac{1}{2}$ percent) from a month earlier to 340 percent of its 1910-14 average. Family living and production item prices combined averaged 4 percent more than a year earlier.

PRODUCTION INDEX UP

The October 15 index of prices paid by farmers for production goods rose 2 points ($\frac{2}{3}$ percent) from a month earlier to 319. Higher feeder livestock prices contributed most to the increase. Compared with a year earlier, the mid-October index showed a 5 percent advance.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The index of prices paid by farmers for feeder livestock rose 12 points (3 percent) from mid-September to 447. Largely accounting for the increase were seasonally higher average prices for feeder cattle and calves. Partially offsetting were lower prices for feeder pigs. Compared with mid-October last year, the index was up 10 points (2 percent).

BUILDING AND FENCING MATERIALS: Prices paid by farmers for building and fencing materials at mid-October averaged $\frac{2}{3}$ percent above a month earlier. Prices for lumber, masonry and metal products, and wood posts averaged moderately higher. Compared with mid-October last year, prices were 3 percent higher.

MOTOR SUPPLIES: Mid-October prices paid by farmers for motor supplies were $\frac{1}{2}$ percent above the level of both a month and a year earlier. Higher prices for gasoline--both at the "pump" and from the tank truck--accounted for most of the increase from the previous month.

RURAL CONSUMER INDEX UNCHANGED

The index of prices paid by farmers for family living items at 369 was unchanged during the month ending October 15. Food price decreases were offset by price increases for other family living items. During the past year, the farm family living index increased 4 percent.

FOOD AND TOBACCO: Food prices averaged 1 percent lower at mid-October than a month earlier. This was the first decrease in average monthly food prices since December 1968. Vegetable, meat and fruit prices were largely responsible for the lower prices. Lettuce prices dropped sharply after settlement of a strike in producing areas. Mid-October 1970 food and tobacco prices averaged 4 percent above a year earlier.

CLOTHING: Mid-October prices for clothing items averaged only slightly above those of a month earlier. Women's clothing items accounted for most of the increase; prices of men's clothing also were up. Clothing prices averaged 5 percent higher than a year earlier.

HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS: Household furnishing prices averaged only $\frac{1}{3}$ of one percent higher than a month earlier. Higher bedding and furniture prices contributed to the increase while lower prices for other household furniture items were partially offsetting. Prices averaged 4 percent higher than at mid-October 1969.

Average prices received by farmers for farm products, United States, October 15, 1970
with comparisons

Commodity and unit	Average			Oct.	Sept.	Oct.
	Jan. 1910- Dec. 1914	Jan. 1957- Dec. 1959	Jan.-Dec. 1967	15, 1969	15, 1970	15, 1970
All wheat, per bu.	Dol.: .880	1.84	1.47	1.28	1.41	1.43
Rye, per bu.	" : .725	1.01	1.05	.990	.961	.985
Rice, (rough), per cwt.	" : 1.81	4.87	5.05	4.94	4.96	5.20
Corn, per bu.	" : .649	1.10	1.17	1.12	1.38	1.34
Oats, per bu.	" : .399	.622	.668	.571	.610	.613
Barley, per bu.	" : .617	.892	1.02	.868	.906	.925
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" : ---	1.72	1.88	1.91	2.07	2.02
All hay, baled, per ton	" : 11.90	19.10	23.50	23.20	23.30	23.90
Cotton, American upland, per lb.	Ct. : 1/11.92	30.90	22.54	21.70	21.86	22.83
Cotton, American-Pima, per lb. 2/	" : ---	55.4	49.5	41.8	---	45.0
Peanuts, per lb.	" : 4.83	10.6	11.4	12.4	12.9	13.2
Cottonseed, per ton	Dol.: 21.80	47.60	58.00	40.20	51.10	56.00
Soybeans, per bu.	" : ---	2.09	2.62	2.23	2.66	2.77
Flaxseed, per bu.	" : 1.68	2.81	2.89	2.64	2.36	2.31
Potatoes, per cwt. 3/	" : 1.13	1.71	2.02	1.81	2.07	1.89
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" : 1.61	4.30	5.65	3.16	3.33	3.34
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	" : 3.39	7.04	7.99	7.00	7.13	8.05
Dry field peas (open mkt.), per cwt.	" : ---	4.04	4.64	4.37	4.49	4.34
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 3/ 4/ Ct.	---	4.70	6.65	5.78	6.74	6.19
Peaches, for fresh use, per lb. 3/ ...	" : ---	5.56	9.20	---	8.81	---
Strawberries, for fresh use, per lb. 3/	" : ---	23.6	28.3	25.0	22.0	20.4
Pears, for fresh use, per ton 3/ 4/ ..	Dol.: ---	73.30	125.00	111.00	153.00	169.00
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box 3/	" : ---	---	---	---	---	---
Grapefruit	" : ---	1.33	1.38	1.57	3.36	1.69
Lemons	" : ---	1.42	2.45	4.82	4.53	4.32
Oranges	" : ---	2.62	1.58	1.21	1.82	1.74
Tangelos	" : ---	---	2.49	1.27	---	1.99
Tangerines	" : ---	---	2.66	---	---	5.97
Temples	" : ---	---	1.62	---	---	---
All beef cattle, per cwt.	Dol.: 5.52	20.60	22.20	25.40	26.80	26.50
Cows, per cwt.	" : ---	15.10	16.50	18.90	19.90	19.70
Steers and heifers, per cwt.	" : ---	23.10	24.00	27.20	28.60	28.50
Calves, per cwt.	" : 6.84	23.50	26.40	31.30	33.90	34.10
Hogs, per cwt.	" : 7.29	17.30	19.00	24.80	19.80	18.00
Lambs, per cwt.	" : 5.96	19.90	22.20	27.60	26.20	26.00
Sheep, per cwt.	" : 4.59	6.48	6.38	8.03	7.28	7.18
All milk sold to plants, per cwt. 3/	Dol.: 1.61	4.19	5.03	5.85	5.81	5/5.95
Milk eligible for fluid market	" : ---	4.71	5.44	6.22	6.19	5/6.32
Milk of manufacturing grade	" : ---	3.22	4.07	4.68	4.69	5/4.82
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. : 26.3	60.1	68.1	69.7	71.2	70.8
Chickens, excluding broilers, live,	" : ---	---	---	---	---	---
per lb.	" : ---	13.2	7.9	10.0	7.8	7.7
Broilers, live, per lb. 3/	" : ---	17.8	13.3	14.8	13.4	12.8
Eggs, per dozen 6/	" : 21.6	35.4	31.2	40.4	38.8	33.2
Turkeys, live, per lb.	" : 14.3	24.0	20.0	22.6	22.6	22.0
Wool, per lb. 3/ 7/	" : 17.8	43.8	39.7	39.6	35.6	33.9
Mohair (Texas only), per lb. 3/	" : ---	80.0	43.9	71.0	38.0	30.0
Adjusted for seasonal variation	" : ---	---	---	---	---	---
All milk sold to plants, per cwt. 3/	Dol.: ---	4.19	5.04	8/5.47	5.59	9/5.61
Eggs, per dozen	Ct. : ---	35.7	31.2	38.5	37.0	31.6

1/ All cotton. 2/ American-Egyptian prior to July 1, 1970. 3/ Average for the month.
4/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and prices as sold for other States. 5/ Prices are preliminary. Fat test percent for all milk, 3.70; fluid market, 3.69; manufacturing grade, 3.77. 6/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers, including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail. 7/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. 8/ Revised. 9/ Preliminary.

State prices are weighted by corresponding monthly sales, annual sales, or annual production to compute regional and U.S. average prices.

Based on price reports from 6,170 firms and individuals, and supplemented by data from marketing agencies and related sources.

United States parity prices for farm products and average prices received as
percentage of parity prices based on data for October 1970
with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Adjusted base prices 2/	Parity prices 3/ based on data for			Average prices as percentage of parity prices		
		Oct. 1969	Sept. 1970	Oct. 1970	Oct. 1969	Sept. 1970	Oct. 1970
Basic Commodities:							
All wheat, per bu.	Dol. : .724	2.77	2.85	2.85	46	49	50
Rice, per cwt.	" : 4/1.92	7.29	7.55	7.56	--	--	--
Corn, per bu.	" : .455	1.73	1.79	1.79	65	77	75
Cotton, per lb.							
American upland	Ct. : 12.58	48.05	49.44	49.57	45	44	46
Extra long staple	" : 4/20.0	77.5	78.6	78.8	--	--	--
Peanuts, per lb.	" : 4/4.36	16.4	17.1	17.2	76	75	77
Tobacco, per lb.:							
Flue-cured, types 11-14	" : 4/24.7	92.9	97.1	97.3	77	75	72
Va. fire-cured, type 21	" : 4/16.3	60.2	64.1	64.2	--	--	--
Ky.-Tenn. fire-cured, types 22-23 ..	" : 4/16.8	62.8	66.0	66.2	--	--	--
Burley, type 31	" : 4/25.6	97.0	101.0	101.0	--	--	--
Maryland, type 32	" : 5/23.1	87.6	90.8	91.0	--	--	--
Dark air-cured, types 35-36	" : 4/14.9	56.4	58.6	58.7	--	--	--
Sun-cured, type 37	" : 4/16.3	60.2	64.1	64.2	--	--	--
Pa. seedleaf, type 41	" : 4/10.3	39.5	40.5	40.6	--	--	--
Cigar filler and binder, types 42-44, 53-55	" : 4/12.4	46.2	48.7	48.9	--	--	--
Puerto Rican filler, type 46	" : 4/14.7	54.1	57.8	57.9	--	--	--
Cigar binder, types 51-52	" : 4/19.4	72.2	76.2	76.4	--	--	--
Designated Nonbasic Commodities:							
Tung nuts, per ton	Dol. : 4/27.70	105.00	109.00	109.00	--	--	--
All milk sold to plants, per cwt.	" : 1.78	6.62	7.00	7.01	6/83	6/80	6/80
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. : 24.7	93.6	97.1	97.3	2/74	73	73
Honey, wholesale, per lb.:							
Extracted	" : 7/5.64	21.5	22.2	22.2	--	--	--
Wool and Mohair:							
Wool, per lb.	Ct. : 4/24.9	94.4	97.9	98.1	8/42	8/36	8/35
Mohair, per lb.	" : 4/31.6	124.0	124.0	125.0	--	--	--
Other Nonbasic Commodities:							
Barley, per bu.	Dol. : .373	1.43	1.47	1.47	61	62	63
Cottonseed, per ton	" : 4/19.40	74.10	76.20	76.40	54	67	73
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	" : 2.98	11.20	11.70	11.70	62	61	69
Flaxseed, per bu.	" : 1.11	4.29	4.36	4.37	62	54	53
Oats, per bu.	" : .245	.944	.963	.965	60	63	64
Potatoes, per cwt.	" : 4/.825	3.18	3.24	3.25	2/57	64	58
Rye, per bu.	" : .386	1.48	1.52	1.52	68	63	65
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" : .743	2.80	2.92	2.93	68	71	69
Soybeans, per bu.	" : .969	3.65	3.81	3.82	61	70	73
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" : 2.04	7.52	8.02	8.04	2/42	42	42
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 10/ ...	Ct. : 2.47	9.02	9.71	9.73	1/64	69	64
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box:							
Grapefruit	Dol. : 4/.525	1.91	2.06	2.07	82	163	82
Lemons	" : 4/.926	3.19	3.64	3.65	141	124	118
Limes	" : 4/1.31	4.85	5.15	5.16	--	--	--
Oranges	" : 4/.907	3.64	3.56	3.57	33	51	49
Tangerines	" : 4/.977	3.80	3.84	3.85	--	--	155
Temples	" : 4/.973	3.87	3.82	3.83	--	--	--
Beef cattle, per cwt.	" : 8.33	31.30	32.70	32.80	81	82	81
Calves, per cwt.	" : 9.73	36.70	38.20	38.30	2/85	89	89
Hogs, per cwt.	" : 7.12	25.90	28.00	28.10	2/96	71	64
Lambs, per cwt.	" : 8.37	30.70	32.90	33.00	90	80	79
Sheep, per cwt.	" : 2.44	9.10	9.59	9.61	2/88	76	75
Eggs, per doz.	Ct. : 13.7	51.1	53.8	54.0	6/75	6/69	6/59
Turkeys, live, per lb.	" : 8.44	32.7	33.2	33.3	69	68	66

See footnotes on page 6.

Parity prices based on data for October 1970, United States 1/

Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	: Parity : : prices 3/ : : based on : : data for : : Oct. 1970 :	Dollars	: Parity : : prices 3/ : : based on : : data for : : Oct. 1970 :	Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	: Parity : : prices 3/ : : based on : : data for : : Oct. 1970 :	Dollars
Field Crops and Misc. Commodities			Noncitrus Fruits			
Castor beans, cwt.	7.96			Peaches		
Crude pine gum, bbl.	47.70			For fresh use, lb. 12/0938	
Hops, lb.721			Dried (Calif.), ton	831.00	
Tobacco, lb.:				For processing (excl. dried)		
Cigar wrapper, type 61	4.22			Clingstone (Calif.), ton 11/	103.00	
Cigar wrapper, type 62	3.44			Pears		
				For fresh use, ton 13/.....	170.00	
				Dried (Calif.), ton	1,140.00	
				Plums (Calif.), equiv.		
				on-tree, ton		
Noncitrus Fruits:				For fresh use	198.00	
Apples, for processing, ton	73.70			Prunes, dried (Calif.), ton	14/	
Apricots, ton				Prunes and Plums		
For fresh use	302.00			(Exc. Calif.), ton		
Dried (Calif.)	1,530.00			For fresh use	241.00	
Avocados, ton 11/	461.00			For processing (ex. dried)	107.00	
Cherries, ton						
Sweet	540.00			Tree Nuts, ton:		
Tart	291.00			Almonds	914.00	
Cranberries, bbl. 11/.....	20.50			Filberts	697.00	
Dates (Calif.), ton 11/	221.00			Walnuts	749.00	
Grapes, ton				Vegetables for fresh market, cwt.:		
Raisin varieties				Cantaloups	8.12	
Dried (Calif.)	359.00			Carrots 15/	5.71	
Grapes, excl. raisin				Cauliflower 15/	12.20	
varieties dried	94.60			Celery 15/	6.70	
Nectarines (Calif.), ton				Honeydew melons	8.79	
For fresh use 11/	182.00			Lettuce	6.97	
Olives (Calif.)				Onions 15/	5.36	
For canning, ton 11/	441.00			Tomatoes	13.90	

1/ Parity prices are computed under the provisions of Title III, Subtitle A, Section 301 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended by the Agricultural Acts of 1948, 1949, 1954, and 1956. 2/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 120-month, January 1960-December 1969 average (including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations) by dividing by 257 percent (the 120-month average of the Index of Prices Received by Farmers adjusted to include an allowance for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments) unless otherwise noted. 3/ Parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These parity prices are the legally applicable parity prices for the following calendar month. 4/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 season average prices 1960-69 (including an allowance, where appropriate, for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations). 5/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 weighted calendar year prices 1960-69. 6/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price. 7/ Adjusted base price derived from State annual average prices weighted by production. 8/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. 9/ Revised. 10/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for apples for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and price at point of first sale for other States. 11/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point. 12/ Based on prices for fresh peaches in New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Washington, and California and average price for all methods of sale for other States. 13/ Based on packinghouse-door returns for fresh pears for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for fresh pears for California, average prices for fresh use for New York and Michigan, and average prices for all methods of sale for other States. 14/ Not available. 15/ Includes some processing.

See Supplement No. 1 July 1970 AGRICULTURAL PRICES for details on parity prices computations.

Index numbers of Prices Received by Farmers, United States, October 15, 1970
with comparisons

Index	:1957-59: 1967= :		1910-14=100					
	=100	100	Average		1969		1970	
	Oct. 1970	Oct. 1970	Jan. 1957 to Dec. '59	Jan. - Dec. '67	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15
UNADJUSTED								
All Farm Products	113	108	242	254	275	277	281	274
All Crops	103	101	223	226	211	215	235	229
Food grains	82	98	212	177	152	157	170	173
Feed grains and hay	118	107	159	174	166	165	190	187
Feed grains	117	108	161	174	165	163	192	188
Cotton	74	101	261	191	164	183	185	193
Tobacco	122	106	485	555	615	612	610	590
Oil-bearing crops	124	103	229	276	234	234	272	284
Fruit	113	103	222	244	244	228	273	251
Fresh market <u>1/</u>	112	106	229	242	241	219	284	255
Commercial vegetables	111	92	235	283	262	294	306	261
Fresh market	116	93	260	324	305	359	364	302
Potatoes, etc. <u>2/</u>	109	92	163	193	180	169	184	177
Livestock & products	121	113	258	277	331	329	320	313
Meat animals	123	113	308	336	409	402	391	379
Dairy products	140	117	257	306	342	351	350	359
Poultry & eggs	86	103	158	132	165	163	153	136
Wool	77	85	246	223	220	222	200	190
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
Fresh market fruit <u>1/</u>	108	102	229	244	230	225	249	248
Fresh market vegetables	131	105	264	330	378	411	418	345
Potatoes, etc. <u>2/</u>	129	109	163	193	195	197	203	210
Dairy products	133	111	257	306	330	330	337	340
Poultry & eggs	85	102	159	132	163	162	149	135

1/ Fresh market for noncitrus and fresh market and processing for citrus. 2/ Includes sweetpotatoes and dry edible beans.

Commercial Vegetables for Fresh Market: Average f.o.b. shipping point prices per cwt., United States, October 1-15, 1970, with comparisons

Commodity	Average	Average	October	October	September	September	October
	Jan. 1957 to Dec. 1959	Jan. 1967 to Dec. 1967	1-15, 1969	1-31, 1969 <u>1/</u>	1-15, 1970	1-30, 1970	1-15, 1970
Dollars							
Asparagus	16.30	23.70	---	---	---	---	---
Broccoli	8.48	11.70	13.50	12.80	13.30	13.20	13.60
Cabbage	2.30	2.85	3.64	3.64	<u>1/</u> 2.81	2.86	2.83
Cantaloups	4.97	6.26	4.55	4.79	<u>1/</u> 4.99	5.08	5.26
Carrots	3.78	5.74	7.41	7.09	5.15	5.22	5.25
Cauliflower	6.90	10.80	12.70	13.30	<u>1/</u> 13.50	12.80	11.10
Celery	3.90	4.94	4.20	5.15	6.97	6.18	4.82
Cucumbers	6.37	7.74	6.26	6.67	6.26	6.25	7.65
Green peppers	12.00	12.20	10.30	11.40	<u>1/</u> 8.57	9.06	9.24
Lettuce	3.93	5.19	5.83	6.44	10.70	8.85	4.92
Onions	3.11	4.37	4.04	4.20	3.47	3.36	3.12
Snap beans	10.30	11.70	13.80	12.50	12.70	12.80	12.60
Spinach	6.20	10.20	13.40	10.60	14.20	13.80	11.80
Sweet corn	4.74	5.68	6.24	5.46	4.36	4.36	5.82
Tomatoes	8.48	9.63	11.50	13.00	8.33	9.12	8.46
Watermelons	2.00	2.06	1.25	1.29	<u>1/</u> 1.85	1.84	1.66

1/ Revised.

Index numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates, and related data, United States, October 15, 1970, with comparisons

Indexes and ratios	1957-59=100		1967=100		1910-14=100					
	Oct. 1969	Oct. 1970	Oct. 1969	Oct. 1970	1969		1970			
					Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS FOR Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates ...	1/129	135	110	115	374	375	1/377	389	1/392	394
Prices Paid	120	125	108	113	324	325	326	335	339	340
Family living items	124	129	110	115	352	355	355	367	369	369
Food and tobacco	---	---	---	---	---	349	---	---	366	---
Clothing	---	---	---	---	---	454	---	---	480	---
Household operation	---	---	---	---	---	250	---	---	259	---
Household furnishings	---	---	---	---	---	283	---	---	292	---
Building materials, house	---	---	---	---	---	497	---	---	499	---
Autos and auto supplies	---	---	---	---	---	381	---	---	393	---
Production items.....	116	122	106	111	304	304	305	312	317	319
Feed	102	111	96	105	205	205	204	215	222	222
Feeder livestock	122	125	117	120	437	425	437	435	435	447
Motor supplies	---	---	---	---	---	193	---	---	193	---
Motor vehicles 2/	---	---	---	---	---	547	---	---	568	---
Farm machinery	---	---	---	---	---	519	---	---	550	---
Building & fencing materials	---	---	---	---	---	462	---	---	473	---
Fertilizer	---	---	---	---	---	142	---	---	150	---
Farm supplies	---	---	---	---	---	287	---	---	293	---
Seed	---	---	---	---	---	255	---	---	270	---
Interest 3/	311	337	119	129	570	570	570	616	616	616
Taxes 4/	213	229	122	131	1,081	1,081	1,081	1,167	1,167	1,167
Wage Rates 5/	179	190	123	131	1,010	1,010	1,039	1,078	1,078	1,107
PARITY RATIO 6/	---	---	---	---	74	73	1/73	71	72	70
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (Prelim.)	---	---	---	---	80	79	1/79	7/76	7/77	7/75
Production Items, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	131	138	110	116	390	390	392	405	1/409	413
Prices Received by Farmers	115	113	---	---	1957-59=100					
Wholesale prices: 8/	---	---	---	---	115	114	115	114	116	113
All commodities	114	118	---	---	113	114	114	117	118	118
Industrial commodities	114	118	---	---	113	113	114	117	117	118
Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates ...	1/129	135	---	---	128	128	1/129	133	134	135
Consumers' prices (CPI) 8/.....	130	---	---	---	129	129	130	136	137	---
Average hourly earnings, mfg. production workers 9/	153	---	---	---	151	153	153	159	162	---

1/ Revised. 2/ Included autos, trucks, and tractors. 3/ Interest payable per acre on farm real estate debt. 4/ Farm real estate taxes payable per acre. 5/ Seasonally adjusted. 6/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates. 7/ The Adjusted Parity Ratio, reflecting Government payments averaged 80 for the year 1969, compared with 74 for the Parity Ratio. Preliminary Adjusted Parity Ratios for the current year, supplied by the Economic Research Service, are based on estimated cash receipts from marketings and estimates of Government payments for the current calendar year. See page 30, April 1967 AGRICULTURAL PRICES, for a description of the method for making current estimates of the Adjusted Parity Ratio. 8/ Bureau of Labor Statistics' indexes for month indicated. 9/ Based on earnings per hour as estimated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	All Wheat per bu.	Rye per bu.	Rice per cwt.	Corn per bu.	Oats per bu.	Barley per bu.	Sorghum grain per cwt.	Soybeans per bu.
Dollars								
N. Y.	1.42	.97	---	1.48	.80	---	---	---
N. J.	1.52	1.18	---	1.50	---	---	---	2.79
Pa.	1.44	---	---	1.44	.76	.99	---	---
M. Atl.	1.44	1.06	---	1.46	.783	.990	---	2.79
Ohio	1.55	1.05	---	1.33	.70	.95	---	2.77
Ind.	1.46	1.12	---	1.32	.69	---	---	2.76
Ill.	1.47	1.09	---	1.32	.66	---	---	2.81
Mich.	1.51	.85	---	1.30	.68	---	---	2.72
Wis.	1.42	1.02	---	1.32	.70	.99	---	2.65
E. N. Cent.	1.51	.952	---	1.32	.687	.986	---	2.78
Minn.	1.68	.91	---	1.18	.60	.94	---	2.68
Iowa	1.40	---	---	1.24	.63	---	---	2.71
Mo.	1.45	1.00	---	1.35	.77	---	1.98	2.75
N. Dak.	1.55	.79	---	1.11	.51	.86	---	2.60
S. Dak.	1.56	.86	---	1.17	.57	.83	1.76	2.64
Nebr.	1.30	.89	---	1.24	.66	---	1.87	2.67
Kans.	1.32	.82	---	1.26	.73	.90	1.92	2.65
W. N. Cent.	1.46	.841	---	1.24	.568	.878	1.90	2.71
Del.	1.38	1.30	---	1.43	---	.91	---	2.83
Md.	1.38	1.25	---	1.46	.78	.95	---	2.86
Va.	1.46	1.40	---	1.44	.80	1.02	---	2.81
W. Va.	1.50	---	---	1.43	.92	1.00	---	---
N. C.	1.49	1.55	---	1.51	.79	1.10	2.35	2.85
S. C.	1.51	1.60	---	1.55	---	---	---	2.81
Ga.	1.50	2.00	---	1.61	.87	---	---	2.85
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
S. Atl.	1.47	1.84	---	1.50	.838	1.02	2.35	2.84
Ky.	1.49	1.34	---	1.49	.80	1.05	---	2.75
Tenn.	1.45	---	---	1.51	---	---	---	2.66
Ala.	1.33	---	---	1.56	.82	---	2.10	2.80
Miss.	1.45	---	5.20	1.55	.75	---	2.20	2.85
E. S. Cent.	1.46	1.34	5.20	1.51	.766	1.05	2.20	2.77
Ark.	1.38	---	5.30	1.42	.69	---	1.92	2.81
La.	---	---	4.95	1.46	.78	---	---	2.83
Okla.	1.41	1.02	---	1.29	.72	.93	2.05	2.55
Texas	1.41	1.15	5.10	1.43	.76	1.01	2.03	2.55
W. S. Cent.	1.41	1.06	5.20	1.41	.751	.937	2.03	2.80
Mont.	1.40	.74	---	1.39	.48	.74	---	---
Idaho	1.37	1.10	---	---	.64	.91	---	---
Wyo.	1.19	.88	---	1.34	.62	.86	---	---
Colo.	1.22	.85	---	1.29	.68	.93	1.91	---
N. Mex.	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.05	---
Ariz.	1.55	---	---	---	---	1.32	2.45	---
Utah	1.37	---	---	---	---	1.04	---	---
Nev.	1.40	---	---	---	---	1.15	---	---
Mount.	1.35	.880	---	1.29	.599	.822	2.19	---
Wash.	1.47	1.08	---	---	.63	1.00	---	---
Oreg.	1.45	1.15	---	---	.69	1.03	---	---
Calif.	1.51	---	---	1.56	.80	1.24	2.51	---
Pac.	1.47	1.09	---	1.56	.681	1.11	2.51	---
U. S.	1.43	.985	5.20	1.34	.613	.925	2.02	2.77

State	Winter Wheat October 15, 1970	Spring wheat, other than Durum October 15, 1970
Dollars per bushel		
Minn.	1.45	1.69
N. Dak.	1.39	1.59
S. Dak.	1.44	1.63
Mont.	1.31	1.51
Idaho	1.38	1.33
Colo.	1.22	1.22

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	American	Peanuts	Tobacco	Apples	Cotton-	Flax-	Dry	Sweet-
	upland cotton	per lb.	per lb.	fresh use 3/4/	seed per ton	seed per bu.	edible beans, per cwt.	potatoes per cwt.
	per lb.	1/	2/4/	per lb.				
	C e n t s				D o l l a r s			
Maine	---	---	---	7.5	---	---	---	---
N. H.	---	---	---	7.5	---	---	---	---
Vt.	---	---	---	8.0	---	---	---	---
Mass.	---	---	---	7.0	---	---	---	---
R. I.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Conn.	---	---	---	7.5	---	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	---	---	7.40	---	---	---	---
N. Y.	---	---	---	6.0	---	---	8.20	---
N. J.	---	---	---	6.5	---	---	---	7.00
Pa.	---	---	---	7.2	---	---	---	---
M. Atl.	---	---	---	6.41	---	---	8.20	7.00
Ohio	---	---	---	7.5	---	---	---	---
Ind.	---	---	---	6.0	---	---	---	---
Ill.	---	---	---	6.5	---	---	---	---
Mich.	---	---	---	5.7	---	---	8.40	---
Wis.	---	---	---	8.1	---	---	---	---
E. N. Cent.	---	---	---	5.93	---	---	8.40	---
Minn.	---	---	---	---	---	2.41	---	---
Iowa	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mo.	23.5	---	---	7.5	47.00	---	---	---
N. Dak.	---	---	---	---	---	2.28	6.30	---
S. Dak.	---	---	---	---	---	2.36	---	---
Nebr.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.30	---
Kans.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.10	---
W. N. Cent.	23.50	---	---	7.50	47.00	2.31	7.11	---
Del.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Md.	---	---	---	7.0	---	---	---	3.80
Va.	---	13.6	70.0	5.4	---	---	---	3.00
W. Va.	---	---	---	7.5	---	---	---	---
N. C.	23.1	13.5	69.8	4.7	52.00	---	---	3.10
S. C.	23.0	13.0	63.0	---	51.00	---	---	5.50
Ga.	22.0	12.9	---	---	48.00	---	---	6.00
Fla.	---	13.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
S. Atl.	22.69	13.5	69.8	5.72	49.90	---	---	3.33
Ky.	---	---	---	7.0	---	---	---	---
Tenn.	23.0	---	---	---	53.00	---	---	5.30
Ala.	23.0	12.8	---	---	51.00	---	---	5.80
Miss.	23.0	---	---	---	56.00	---	---	5.00
E. S. Cent.	23.00	12.8	---	---	54.50	---	---	5.19
Ark.	23.0	---	---	---	57.00	---	---	4.50
La.	22.5	---	---	---	53.00	---	---	1.90
Okla.	---	12.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Texas	21.2	12.2	---	---	54.00	---	---	6.10
W. S. Cent.	22.15	12.3	---	7.00	54.80	---	---	2.46
Mont.	---	---	---	---	---	2.10	6.80	---
Idaho	---	---	---	8.0	---	---	7.60	---
Wyo.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.00	---
Colo.	---	---	---	7.9	---	---	7.20	---
N. Mex.	---	14.8	---	6.8	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	23.3	---	---	---	60.00	---	---	---
Utah	---	---	---	---	---	---	8.00	---
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	23.30	14.8	---	7.72	60.00	2.10	7.30	---
Wash.	---	---	---	6.2	---	---	9.00	---
Oreg.	---	---	---	9.2	---	---	---	---
Calif.	25.5	---	---	5.5	65.00	---	10.30	7.70
Pac.	25.50	---	---	6.22	65.00	---	9.97	7.70
U. S.	22.83	13.2	69.8	6.19	56.00	2.31	8.05	3.34

1/ Average price by area shown on page 15. 2/ Prices by types shown on page 15. 3/ Equivalent p.h.d. returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and price at point of first sale for other States. 4/ Average for the month.

Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	Hogs	Cows 1/	Steers and Heifers	Beef cattle 2/	Calves	Sheep	Lambs
Dollars							
Maine	---	20.50	25.50	20.90	---	---	---
N. H.	---	20.00	25.00	20.50	---	---	---
Vt.	---	19.00	23.50	19.40	3/34.50	---	---
Mass.	---	20.50	24.00	20.80	---	---	---
R. I.	---	20.50	24.00	20.70	---	---	---
Conn.	---	20.50	24.50	20.70	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	19.90	24.20	20.30	3/34.50	---	---
N. Y.	19.40	19.80	25.00	20.40	3/35.80	---	25.00
N. J.	18.60	19.90	28.20	21.00	3/36.10	---	---
Pa.	19.10	20.00	28.70	23.80	39.50	7.10	24.30
M. Atl.	19.10	19.90	28.00	22.10	37.20	7.10	24.60
Ohio	18.40	19.50	28.60	26.00	38.00	7.30	25.80
Ind.	17.40	18.40	27.80	26.70	32.20	7.70	25.10
Ill.	18.10	20.20	28.50	27.10	32.50	7.00	26.00
Mich.	18.60	19.90	27.40	24.80	39.00	9.00	26.90
Wis.	18.20	20.10	26.40	21.40	39.30	5.90	24.50
E. N. Cent.	18.00	19.90	28.20	25.50	38.60	7.19	25.80
Minn.	17.60	20.80	27.00	24.40	38.30	7.60	26.00
Iowa	17.60	20.50	28.50	27.20	32.00	6.50	26.50
Mo.	18.60	19.60	28.20	26.70	32.00	6.50	26.00
N. Dak.	17.90	19.00	28.20	25.80	35.10	5.80	25.00
S. Dak.	18.00	19.30	27.90	26.40	35.70	6.10	26.30
Nebr.	17.50	20.30	29.30	28.50	34.60	6.60	26.50
Kans.	17.80	20.30	28.90	27.10	33.60	6.00	25.70
W. N. Cent.	17.80	20.20	28.50	26.90	34.20	6.39	26.20
Del.	19.40	19.20	28.20	21.80	39.70	---	---
Md.	19.40	19.30	28.30	23.50	40.00	---	---
Va.	19.10	18.00	26.80	22.80	35.90	6.40	25.20
W. Va.	19.30	16.90	26.20	22.10	33.50	6.50	25.00
N. C.	19.00	19.40	26.00	22.60	32.40	---	---
S. C.	18.50	19.70	27.30	24.00	33.20	---	---
Ga.	18.00	19.00	27.50	23.50	32.00	---	---
Fla.	18.10	19.80	26.50	22.60	32.00	---	---
S. Atl.	18.60	18.70	26.90	22.90	33.10	6.45	25.10
Ky.	18.20	18.10	28.30	25.20	33.50	7.40	25.10
Tenn.	18.60	18.20	27.00	23.60	34.00	7.30	24.00
Ala.	18.20	18.30	27.20	24.00	31.50	---	---
Miss.	18.10	18.50	27.00	22.60	33.00	---	---
E. S. Cent.	18.30	18.20	27.70	24.30	32.90	7.37	24.80
Ark.	19.00	19.40	28.50	25.40	34.00	---	---
La.	19.60	19.70	29.90	24.20	34.50	---	---
Okla.	17.70	19.10	29.40	27.00	34.50	5.80	24.50
Texas	16.90	19.40	28.40	26.50	33.40	9.50	24.60
W. S. Cent.	17.60	19.30	28.70	26.50	33.80	9.40	24.60
Mont.	18.60	20.60	29.10	27.80	36.00	6.50	26.20
Idaho	18.50	20.00	28.70	26.30	34.50	6.70	25.50
Wyo.	17.50	20.70	28.80	27.50	36.60	6.50	26.90
Colo.	18.10	21.60	29.00	28.40	35.40	6.20	28.10
N. Mex.	---	20.50	29.50	29.00	33.00	8.00	26.00
Ariz.	18.90	19.30	28.00	27.20	34.30	7.00	26.00
Utah	18.60	18.40	26.50	24.20	33.00	6.50	25.00
Nev.	---	20.00	29.00	26.70	33.50	7.00	27.00
Mount.	18.40	20.30	29.00	28.00	34.90	6.65	26.50
Wash.	---	19.00	26.70	25.20	34.60	5.80	25.30
Oreg.	---	19.00	27.50	25.80	33.40	5.90	24.80
Calif.	19.50	20.10	28.20	27.40	32.30	7.00	26.90
Pac.	19.50	19.80	28.00	27.10	33.20	6.66	26.30
48 States	17.90	19.70	28.50	26.50	34.10	7.18	26.00
Hawaii	39.30	17.30	24.70	22.80	---	---	---
U. S.	18.00	19.70	28.50	26.50	34.10	7.18	26.00

1/ Includes cull dairy cows sold for slaughter, but not dairy cows for herd replacement.

2/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined with allowance where necessary for slaughter bulls.

3/ Correction: Prices for calves in some copies of the September Agricultural Price Report did not show the following prices distinctly: Mass. \$34.50; N. Eng. \$34.50; N.Y. \$34.10; and N.J. \$36.00.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions,
September and October 1970

State and division	Milk sold to plants, price per cwt. September 1970						October 1970		
	Eligible for fluid market 1/		Manufacturing grade		All milk		All Milk 2/		Milk cows
	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat	per head
	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	3/
Maine	7.00	3.72	---	---	7.00	3.72	7.20	3.85	335
N. H.	7.05	3.74	---	---	7.05	3.74	7.15	3.85	360
Vt.	6.85	3.73	---	---	6.85	3.73	6.95	3.85	360
Mass.	7.15	3.65	---	---	7.15	3.65	7.25	3.75	375
R. I.	7.05	3.56	---	---	7.05	3.56	7.15	3.65	375
Conn.	7.50	3.60	---	---	7.50	3.60	7.65	3.70	380
N. Eng.	7.04	3.69	---	---	7.04	3.69	7.16	3.81	361
N. Y.	6.45	3.58	---	---	6.45	3.58	6.55	3.61	360
N. J.	6.55	3.61	---	---	6.55	3.61	6.65	3.67	420
Pa.	6.40	3.60	4.85	3.60	6.35	3.60	6.40	3.70	475
M. Atl.	6.44	3.59	4.85	3.60	6.42	3.59	6.50	3.65	408
Ohio	6.20	3.59	4.56	3.72	6.00	3.61	6.20	3.73	330
Ind.	6.15	3.63	4.55	3.68	5.90	3.64	6.15	3.78	350
Ill.	5.85	3.62	4.65	3.58	5.55	3.61	5.70	3.73	300
Mich.	5.90	3.54	4.55	3.67	5.75	3.56	5.90	3.67	375
Wis.	5.36	3.70	4.90	3.72	5.13	3.71	5.28	3.75	380
E. N. Cent.	5.76	3.63	4.83	3.70	5.45	3.66	5.62	3.74	363
Minn.	5.22	3.58	4.67	3.56	4.83	3.57	4.95	3.66	370
Iowa	5.66	3.62	4.69	3.56	5.01	3.58	5.11	3.65	330
Mo.	5.95	3.54	4.55	3.73	5.35	3.62	5.55	3.77	265
N. Dak.	5.45	3.50	4.60	3.58	4.90	3.55	5.00	3.63	310
S. Dak.	5.65	3.47	4.65	3.50	4.80	3.49	4.95	3.59	310
Nebr.	5.85	3.56	4.70	3.55	5.20	3.55	5.25	3.66	300
Kans.	6.05	3.51	4.65	3.62	5.65	3.54	5.80	3.65	310
W. N. Cent.	5.67	3.56	4.66	3.58	5.04	3.57	5.17	3.67	330
Del.	6.80	3.58	---	---	6.80	3.58	6.95	3.68	310
Md.	6.60	3.58	---	---	6.60	3.58	6.80	3.70	330
Va.	6.65	3.55	4.25	3.85	6.15	3.61	6.30	3.70	240
W. Va.	6.30	3.59	---	---	6.15	3.64	6.40	3.77	220
N. C.	7.20	3.54	4.40	4.26	7.05	3.58	7.10	3.71	220
S. C.	7.50	3.76	---	---	7.50	3.76	7.50	3.90	210
Ga.	7.00	3.64	---	---	7.00	3.64	7.10	3.74	270
Fla.	7.40	3.70	---	---	7.40	3.70	7.50	3.74	250
S. Atl.	6.95	3.61	4/4.32	4/3.93	6.80	3.63	6.93	3.73	247
Ky.	6.15	3.58	4.20	3.92	5.35	3.72	5.60	3.84	250
Tenn.	6.30	3.62	4.45	4.04	5.60	3.78	5.85	3.93	215
Ala.	7.25	3.71	4.40	4.00	7.15	3.72	7.35	3.76	240
Miss.	6.80	3.78	4.30	3.97	6.45	3.81	6.65	3.93	250
E. S. Cent.	6.50	3.65	4.31	3.97	5.81	3.75	6.06	3.87	238
Ark.	6.80	3.55	4.70	3.76	6.05	3.63	6.30	3.78	240
La.	7.30	3.75	---	---	7.30	3.75	7.45	3.85	340
Okla.	6.30	3.49	4.75	3.74	6.15	3.51	6.30	3.64	290
Texas	6.95	3.52	---	---	6.95	3.52	7.15	3.55	340
W. S. Cent.	6.87	3.56	4.72	3.75	6.74	3.57	6.93	3.65	318
Mont.	6.05	3.58	4.05	3.77	5.85	3.60	5.90	3.70	350
Idaho	5.50	3.70	4.65	3.60	4.85	3.65	5.00	3.70	345
Wyo.	6.25	3.44	---	---	5.70	3.49	5.90	3.70	290
Colo.	6.45	3.55	---	---	6.45	3.55	6.70	3.65	350
N. Mex.	6.55	3.44	---	---	6.55	3.44	6.65	3.53	280
Ariz.	6.60	3.42	---	---	6.60	3.42	6.75	3.55	315
Utah	5.95	3.65	4.55	3.54	5.55	3.62	5.65	3.72	320
Nev.	6.00	3.53	---	---	6.00	3.53	6.15	3.62	320
Mount.	6.22	3.55	4/4.62	4/3.59	5.71	3.57	5.89	3.66	332
Wash.	5.90	3.73	---	---	5.90	3.73	6.00	3.88	330
Oreg.	6.20	3.93	5.10	4.20	5.95	3.99	6.10	4.13	290
Calif. 5/	5.45	3.48	4.55	3.74	5.35	3.50	5.40	3.58	390
Pac.	5.58	3.55	4.66	3.83	5.48	3.57	5.55	3.67	369
48 States	6.19	3.60	4/4.69	4/3.67	5.81	3.62	5.95	3.70	340
Hawaii	9.64	3.41	---	---	9.64	3.41	9.65	3.45	---
U. S.	6.19	3.60	4/4.69	4/3.67	5.81	3.62	5.95	3.70	340

1/ Including surplus diverted to manufacturing. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Mid-month price. 4/ Includes data for some States not shown separately. 5/ Milk price f.o.b. ranch.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	Turkeys per lb.	Chickens excluding broilers per lb.	Broilers per lb. 1/	Eggs per doz. 2/	Wool per lb. 3/	Seeds, per cwt.				
						Alfalfa	Red clover	Sweet clover	Timothy	Lespedeza
Cents					Dollars					
Maine	---	8.0	4/15.0	36.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. H.	---	7.5	---	41.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Vt.	---	7.5	---	39.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mass.	---	7.5	---	40.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
R. I.	---	7.5	---	45.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Conn.	---	7.5	4/15.0	50.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	7.7	15.0	41.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. Y.	---	6.5	---	32.0	38.0	---	---	---	---	---
N. J.	---	7.5	---	36.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pa.	25.0	9.0	15.0	41.0	38.0	---	---	---	---	---
M. Atl.	25.0	8.1	15.0	37.1	38.0	---	---	---	---	---
Ohio	22.0	8.5	14.0	34.0	32.0	---	27.50	7.00	6.50	---
Ind.	24.0	6.0	15.0	36.0	33.0	---	28.50	---	---	10.50
Ill.	25.0	7.0	---	28.0	34.0	---	29.00	---	---	11.00
Mich.	23.0	8.0	---	30.8	35.0	---	26.00	---	---	---
Wis.	23.0	7.5	13.5	28.0	35.0	---	29.50	---	---	---
E. N. Cent.	23.2	7.0	14.2	32.2	33.2	---	28.10	7.00	6.50	10.80
Minn.	22.0	4.5	---	25.0	36.0	---	31.00	6.50	7.50	---
Iowa	23.0	5.0	---	25.0	33.0	---	32.00	---	7.50	---
Mo.	23.0	7.0	14.0	30.0	35.0	---	27.50	---	6.50	8.50
N. Dak.	---	5.5	---	27.0	34.0	---	---	6.00	---	---
S. Dak.	22.0	4.0	---	22.0	35.0	28.00	---	7.50	---	---
Nebr.	21.0	3.5	---	21.8	30.0	29.50	---	8.00	---	---
Kans.	---	5.0	---	24.0	35.0	25.00	29.00	7.00	---	8.00
W. N. Cent.	21.4	5.0	5/14.6	25.0	34.2	27.50	30.10	6.66	7.40	8.39
Del.	---	11.5	14.5	52.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Md.	---	9.5	14.5	47.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Va.	21.0	10.0	4/14.0	37.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
W. Va.	21.0	11.0	14.5	37.0	44.0	---	---	---	---	---
N. C.	21.0	11.0	12.5	41.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
S. C.	23.0	12.0	13.0	36.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ga.	22.0	7.5	4/11.5	36.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Fla.	---	5.0	12.0	28.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
S. Atl.	21.4	8.7	12.9	36.4	44.0	---	---	---	---	---
Ky.	---	9.5	---	31.0	35.0	---	35.00	---	---	13.20
Tenn.	---	10.0	4/15.5	40.0	---	---	---	---	---	17.80
Ala.	22.0	10.5	4/11.5	41.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Miss.	---	10.0	4/11.0	42.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
E. S. Cent.	22.0	10.2	11.6	40.3	35.0	---	35.00	---	---	13.60
Ark.	24.0	9.5	4/12.5	32.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
La.	---	8.5	11.5	34.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Okla.	22.0	8.0	13.0	31.5	32.0	28.50	---	---	---	---
Texas	20.0	10.0	12.5	32.0	31.0	---	---	11.50	---	---
W. S. Cent.	22.2	9.5	12.4	32.5	31.0	28.50	---	11.50	---	---
Mont.	---	---	---	40.0	38.0	30.30	---	---	---	---
Idaho	---	---	---	40.0	43.0	38.50	36.00	---	---	---
Wyo.	---	5.5	---	34.0	34.0	---	---	---	---	---
Colo.	23.0	---	---	31.0	38.0	32.00	---	---	---	---
N. Mex.	---	---	---	33.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	---	4.0	---	25.0	30.0	35.90	---	---	---	---
Utah	22.0	---	---	27.0	28.0	34.00	---	---	---	---
Nev.	---	---	---	28.0	---	37.00	---	---	---	---
Mount.	22.4	4.1	---	32.3	35.2	36.70	36.00	---	---	---
Wash.	22.0	7.5	17.5	29.1	34.0	40.50	37.00	---	---	---
Oreg.	23.0	4.5	17.0	35.0	33.0	38.00	35.50	---	---	---
Calif.	22.0	5.0	15.5	26.3	35.0	38.00	---	---	---	---
Pac.	22.1	5.4	16.1	27.0	34.4	38.70	36.30	---	---	---
48 States	22.0	7.7	5/12.8	33.2	33.9	35.40	30.70	---	7.35	11.30
Hawaii	---	12.0	31.5	51.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	22.0	7.7	5/12.8	33.2	33.9	35.40	30.70	6.98	7.35	11.30

1/ Average for the month. 2/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail. 3/ Incentive payment not included. 4/ Liveweight equivalent price. 5/ Includes data for some States not shown separately.

Average prices per ton received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	Hay, baled					
	All 1/	Alfalfa	Clover-timothy	Lespedeza	Peanut-vine	Wild
	Dollars					
Maine	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. H.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Vt.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mass.	---	---	---	---	---	---
R. I.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Conn.	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. Y.	26.70	28.50	25.50	---	---	---
N. J.	39.50	41.50	37.50	---	---	---
Pa.	28.50	32.50	26.00	---	---	---
M. Atl.	27.80	30.40	26.00	---	---	---
Ohio	24.40	27.50	23.00	---	---	---
Ind.	25.00	26.50	22.50	---	---	---
Ill.	24.00	25.00	22.50	---	---	---
Mich.	22.00	22.50	19.00	---	---	---
Wis.	19.50	20.50	15.00	---	---	---
E. N. Cent.	21.70	22.40	19.90	---	---	---
Minn.	19.00	21.00	17.00	---	---	11.00
Iowa	20.40	21.00	19.00	---	---	---
Mo.	23.50	26.00	21.00	23.00	---	---
N. Dak.	15.50	18.00	---	---	---	13.00
S. Dak.	18.00	19.50	---	---	---	15.00
Nebr.	21.40	21.50	---	---	---	21.50
Kans.	26.00	28.00	22.50	21.00	---	22.00
W. N. Cent.	20.40	21.70	19.60	22.80	---	17.20
Del.	34.90	39.00	34.00	---	---	---
Md.	31.80	36.00	29.00	---	---	---
Va.	34.10	41.50	35.00	34.50	25.00	---
W. Va.	32.70	37.00	33.00	---	---	---
N. C.	34.10	36.50	33.00	35.50	24.00	---
S. C.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ga.	30.00	36.00	---	33.00	26.00	---
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	---
S. Atl.	32.80	38.20	33.10	34.50	25.10	---
Ky.	28.40	31.50	28.50	25.00	---	---
Tenn.	29.00	35.00	30.50	26.50	---	---
Ala.	28.90	37.00	32.00	32.00	23.50	---
Miss.	25.50	34.00	28.00	29.00	---	---
E. S. Cent.	28.20	32.20	29.30	26.30	23.50	---
Ark.	22.50	30.00	25.00	25.00	---	---
La.	25.10	32.00	---	27.50	---	---
Okla.	30.50	38.00	---	24.00	23.00	23.50
Texas	26.50	35.00	---	---	25.00	---
W. S. Cent.	27.00	36.20	25.00	24.80	24.10	23.50
Mont.	21.80	22.50	21.50	---	---	20.00
Idaho	21.00	21.00	20.00	---	---	18.00
Wyo.	23.00	23.00	24.00	---	---	23.50
Colo.	24.00	24.00	27.00	---	---	26.50
N. Mex.	31.50	32.00	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	31.80	32.00	---	---	---	---
Utah	23.90	24.50	22.00	---	---	17.50
Nev.	26.50	28.00	24.00	---	---	22.50
Mount.	23.80	24.30	23.60	---	---	22.00
Wash.	25.00	25.50	22.00	---	---	19.00
Oreg.	25.50	26.00	24.00	---	---	21.00
Calif.	29.50	30.50	---	---	---	---
Pac.	27.90	29.00	23.00	---	---	20.70
U. S.	23.90	24.60	23.90	26.20	24.40	18.70

1/ The all hay price is the weighted average of separate kinds, including an allowance for kinds not shown.

Potatoes: Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States, October 1970

State	Dollars	State	Dollars
Maine	1.60	North Carolina	3.20
Massachusetts	2.50	Florida	---
Rhode Island	2.50	Alabama	---
Connecticut	2.50	Texas	3.40
New York-All	2.45	Montana	3.15
Long Island	2.30	Idaho	1.78
Upstate	2.60	Wyoming	2.10
New Jersey	2.40	Colorado	1.65
Pennsylvania	2.40	New Mexico	3.00
Ohio	2.30	Arizona	---
Indiana	2.40	Utah	2.60
Michigan	2.54	Washington	1.35
Wisconsin	2.30	Oregon	1.65
Minnesota	1.91	California-All	2.52
North Dakota	1.50	Winter 1970	---
Nebraska	.90	Late Spring	---
		Early Summer	---
		Late Summer	3.10
Delaware	2.40	Fall 1970	2.45
Virginia	---	United States	1.89

Average prices received by growers for tobacco and peanuts, by types and areas, October 1969 and 1970
(Cents per pound)

Area	Peanuts		Class	Tobacco	
	October 1969	October 1970 1/		Type	October 1969
Virginia-Carolina	12.8	13.5	Total Old and Middle:		
Southeast	11.9	12.9	Belt	11	71.2
Southwest	11.9	12.3	Eastern N. C. Belt	12	71.4
			Total N. C. Border		
			and S. C. Belt	13	---
			Total flue-cured	11-14	71.3
United States	12.4	13.2	United States		71.3

1/ Prices by States are shown on page 10.

Milkfat in cream: Average price per lb. received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State	Cents	State	Cents
Minnesota	75.0	Nebraska	64.0
Iowa	75.0	Kansas	68.0
Missouri	69.0	W. N. Cent.	70.9
North Dakota	71.0	Montana	69.0
South Dakota	70.0	United States	70.8

Citrus fruit: Average prices and equivalent returns per box received by growers,
by utilization, October 1970

Commodity and State	F.O.B. packed fresh	Equivalent returns per box 1/					
		Packinghouse door			On-tree		
		All	Fresh	Process.	All	Fresh	Process.
D o l l a r s							
ORANGES:							
Florida	3.90	1.71	2.10	1.40	.92	1.32	.60
Other Early and Mids.	3.90	1.71	2.10	1.40	.92	1.32	.60
Valencias	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Texas	4.40	2.01	2.06	.90	1.56	1.61	.45
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	7.20	3.62	5.20	1.24	2.88	4.46	.50
Navels	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	7.20	3.62	5.20	1.24	2.88	4.46	.50
California-Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	5.44	2.49	3.47	1.34	1.74	2.74	.56
GRAPEFRUIT:							
Florida	4.58	2.31	2.89	1.61	1.66	2.26	.92
White Seedless	4.50	2.38	2.80	1.75	1.72	2.17	1.06
Pink Seedless	4.80	2.53	3.10	1.15	1.86	2.47	.36
Other than Seedless	4.00	1.90	2.35	1.75	1.26	1.72	1.11
Texas	5.50	2.72	2.72	---	2.37	2.37	---
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Desert Valleys	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other Areas	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California-Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Desert Valleys	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	4.59	2.32	2.88	1.61	1.69	2.27	.92
LEMONS:							
Arizona	10.80	7.12	8.90	1.90	5.72	7.50	.50
California	9.20	4.60	6.94	1.94	3.42	5.76	.76
U. S.	9.96	5.59	7.87	1.93	4.32	6.58	.69
TANGELOS:							
Florida	5.25	2.87	3.25	.40	1.99	2.40	-.65
TEMPLES:							
Florida	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
TANGERINES:							
Florida	11.00	7.46	8.65	.40	5.97	7.20	-1.35
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	11.00	7.46	8.65	.40	5.97	7.20	-1.35

1/ Approximate net contents per box are as follows: Oranges - California and Arizona, 75 lbs.; Florida and other States, 90 lbs.; Tangerines - 95 lbs.; Grapefruit - California Desert Valleys and Arizona 64 lbs.; other California areas, 67 lbs.; Florida, 85 lbs.; Texas, 80 lbs.; Lemons - 76 lbs.; Tangelos - 90 lbs.

CALIFORNIA OLIVES: Season average equivalent returns per ton
to growers, by utilization, 1968 and 1969

Utilization	1968	1969 1/
D o l l a r s		
Equivalent first delivery point		
Canned	422.00	388.00
Shipped fresh	400.00	394.00
Crushed for oil	42.00	27.00
All processing except crushed for oil	375.00	342.00
Equivalent processing plant door		
Crushed for oil	45.00	30.00
Canned	434.00	400.00
Other processing	218.00	155.00
All processing except crushed for oil	386.00	352.00
All olives	368.00	328.00

1/ Revised.

PEACHES: Season average price per pound received by growers,
by States and United States, 1969-70

State	1969	Preliminary 1970
C e n t s		
New Hampshire	10.5	10.5
Massachusetts	10.5	11.0
Rhode Island	9.50	10.0
Connecticut	10.5	11.0
New York	8.08	9.50
New Jersey	7.40	9.40
Pennsylvania	5.54	7.75
Ohio	8.45	10.7
Indiana	7.90	8.80
Illinois	6.60	7.20
Michigan	5.40	6.74
Missouri	6.56	6.67
Kansas	7.40	7.60
Delaware	7.70	7.80
Maryland	6.90	8.90
Virginia	4.90	5.40
West Virginia	4.95	6.60
North Carolina	6.74	7.25
South Carolina	5.20	7.60
Georgia	7.02	8.63
Kentucky	7.10	7.60
Tennessee	6.04	6.77
Alabama	7.85	9.65
Mississippi	7.00	10.3
Arkansas	6.50	6.60
Louisiana	10.6	12.4
Oklahoma	6.34	7.17
Texas	7.20	8.00
Idaho	8.40	11.6
Colorado	7.30	7.24
Utah	5.56	6.35
Washington	10.3	8.22
Oregon	6.30	10.9
California, All	4.72	5.00
Clingstone	4.64	4.98
Freestone	4.97	5.05
United States	5.35	6.22

PEACHES for Fresh Consumption: Season average price as sold and equivalent returns per pound to growers, selected States and United States, 1969-70

State	AS SOLD		EQUIV. ON-TREE RETURNS	
	1969	Preliminary 1970	1969	Preliminary 1970
	C e n t s			
New York	8.70	10.5	---	---
Pennsylvania	5.70	8.20	---	---
Michigan	5.40	7.14	---	---
Virginia	5.70	6.20	---	---
North Carolina	6.77	7.39	2.32	2.21
South Carolina	5.50	8.10	2.80	4.50
Georgia	8.60	10.2	4.71	5.78
Colorado	---	---	1.45	2.40
Washington	10.3	10.9	---	---
California, All	7.00	7.65	---	---
Clingstone	6.95	7.30	---	---
Freestone	7.00	7.65	3.80	4.45
Out of State	---	---	4.00	4.05
Within State	---	---	3.50	5.10
United States <u>1/</u>	6.71	8.32	---	---

1/ Prices for fresh use in N.Y., Pa., Mich., Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Wash., Calif., and average price for all sales in all other States.

PEACHES for Processing: Season average equivalent returns per ton received by growers, Freestone for selected States and United States, Clingstone for California, 1969-70

State	All Processing Except Dried <u>1/</u>		State	Dried	
	1969	Preliminary 1970		1969	Preliminary 1970
	Dollars			Dollars	
FREESTONE:					
Pennsylvania	73.30	76.00	California		
Virginia	64.00	60.00	Fresh Basis		
South Carolina	70.00	68.00	Freestone	87.50	87.50
Georgia	66.00	62.00	Dried Basis <u>3/</u>		
Washington	---	84.40	Freestone	700.	700.
California	72.40	62.00			
United States	70.40	64.20			
CLINGSTONE, California	92.80	99.60			
CLINGSTONE, California <u>2/</u>	73.40	80.60			
All peaches, California	90.10	94.20			

1/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit delivered at processing plant door.

2/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point. 3/ Drying Ratio: 8.0 tons fresh to 1 ton dried.

COST OF FARM TELEPHONE SERVICE UP 3 PERCENT

The average monthly bill for local telephone service paid by farmers during the summer of 1970 was \$5.72, according to an annual survey conducted by the Crop Reporting Board. This was 3 percent (17 cents) higher than a year earlier.

The amount paid for local service increased in all regions, with the Middle Atlantic, South Atlantic and Pacific States having the largest increase -- averaging 4 percent, while the local service cost in the New England States averaged only 1 percent above 1969.

Average monthly bills paid by farmers for local service since 1960 were: 1960, \$4.42; 1961, \$4.55; 1962, \$4.67; 1963, \$4.78; 1964, \$4.87; 1965, \$4.98; 1966, \$5.08; 1967, \$5.15; 1968, \$5.30; 1969, \$5.55; and 1970, \$5.72.

In 1970, 84 percent of the farms in the United States (excluding Alaska and Hawaii) had telephone service compared with 83 percent in 1969; 67 percent, 10 years earlier; and 38 percent in 1950.

Although the proportion of farms with telephone service has been increasing, the total number of farms with telephone service has been declining since 1962 as a result of the yearly decline in the total number of farms in the United States. The estimated 2,423,000 farms with telephones in 1970 compares with 2,450,000 in 1969 -- a decline of 1 percent. The number of farms in the U. S. declined 3 percent in this same period.

TELEPHONES: Average monthly local bill paid by farmers and type of service supplied farms, by regions and United States, 1969-70 ^{1/}

Region	Average monthly local bill		Type of Service 1970		
	1969	1970	Dial	Lift and magneto crank	Push button
	Dollars		Percent		
New England	6.67	6.75	99	--	1
Middle Atlantic	5.43	5.64	98	1	1
East North Central	5.48	5.67	98	1	1
West North Central	5.24	5.40	97	2	1
South Atlantic	5.86	6.08	97	2	1
East South Central	5.45	5.59	98	1	1
West South Central	5.76	5.91	97	2	1
Mountain	5.93	6.09	98	1	1
Pacific	5.64	5.85	99	--	1
United States	5.55	5.72	98	1	1

^{1/} Based on an annual survey made in July and August reporting data from most recent bill, usually June or July.

Farms with Telephones: Estimated number and proportion of all farms, by States, regions and United States, 1969-70

State and division	Number		Proportion	
	1969 ^{1/}	1970	1969 ^{1/}	1970
	(000)		Pct.	
Maine	9	9	90	91
N. H.	3	3	93	94
Vt.	7	7	93	94
Mass.	6	6	97	97
R. I.	1	1	98	98
Conn.	5	5	98	98
N. Eng.	31	31	94	94
N. Y.	55	54	94	95
N. J.	9	8	97	97
Pa.	69	68	92	93
M. Atl.	133	130	93	94
Ohio	102	100	90	90
Ind.	90	88	92	92
Ill.	119	118	93	94
Mich.	79	78	91	92
Wis.	104	102	91	91
E. N. Cent.	494	486	91	92
Minn.	116	114	90	91
Iowa	137	134	96	96
Mo.	125	124	86	87
N. Dak.	36	34	84	84
S. Dak.	41	41	87	88
Nebr.	67	66	91	91
Kans.	79	78	90	91
W. N. Cent.	601	591	90	90
Del.	3	3	92	92
Md.	17	16	89	89
Va.	56	56	77	79
W. Va.	23	23	78	79
N. C.	108	108	67	69
S. C.	34	35	65	68
Ge.	60	59	77	79
Fla.	26	27	76	78
S. Atl.	327	327	72	75
Ky.	90	89	72	74
Tenn.	95	95	74	76
Ala.	59	58	66	68
Miss.	54	55	56	59
E. S. Cent.	298	297	68	70
Ark.	53	53	70	72
La.	42	41	78	78
Okla.	76	76	83	84
Texas	149	148	78	79
W. S. Cent.	320	318	78	79
Mont.	23	23	85	87
Idaho	25	25	87	87
Wyo.	7	7	84	85
Colo.	28	28	90	91
N. Mex.	10	10	70	72
Ariz.	5	5	80	81
Utah	12	13	86	87
Nev.	2	2	72	74
Mount.	112	113	85	87
Wash.	42	42	92	92
Oreg.	37	36	92	92
Calif.	55	52	92	92
Pac.	134	130	92	92
U. S.	2,450	2,423	83	84

^{1/} Revised.

Local market commodity-feed price ratios, United States, October 15, 1970
with comparisons ^{1/}

Commodity-feed Price Ratio	October 15, 1968	October 15, 1969	September 15, 1970	October 15, 1970
Hog-corn: Bushels of corn equal in value to 100-lbs. of hog, liveweight				
United States	18.6	22.1	14.3	13.4
North Central States	19.2	23.1	14.8	13.9
Egg-feed: Pounds of laying feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs	9.6	10.1	9.0	7.6
Broiler-feed: Pounds of broiler grower equal: in value to 1 lb. broiler liveweight ^{2/}	2.9	3.3	2.8	2.6
Turkey-feed: Pounds of turkey grower equal in value to 1 lb. turkey, liveweight	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.6
Milk-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. whole milk ^{2/}	1.85	^{3/} 1.85	1.70	^{4/} 1.76

^{1/} Long-time average comparisons published in Supplement No. 1 to the May 1966 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES. ^{2/} Broiler and milk-feed price ratios are monthly average. ^{3/} Revised. ^{4/} Preliminary.

Milk-feed price ratios, milk prices, and ration values, by region and
United States, October 1970, with comparisons ^{1/}

Region	Milk-feed price ratio ^{2/}			All milk price per cwt.			Ration value ^{3/}		
	Oct. 1969	Sept. 1970	Oct. 1970	Oct. 1969	Sept. 1970	Oct. 1970	Oct. 1969	Sept. 1970	Oct. 1970
	Pounds			Dollars					
N. Atl.	^{4/} 1.79	1.6 ^a	1.71	6.54	6.54	6.63	^{4/} 3.65	3.88	3.88
E. N. Cent.	^{4/} 1.82	1.66	1.74	5.51	5.45	5.62	^{4/} 3.02	3.29	3.23
W. N. Cent.	^{4/} 1.90	1.71	1.79	5.04	5.04	5.17	^{4/} 2.65	2.95	2.89
S. Atl.	^{4/} 1.98	1.79	1.81	6.85	6.80	6.93	3.46	3.80	3.82
S. Cent.	^{4/} 1.94	1.79	1.86	6.41	6.26	6.49	3.31	3.49	3.49
West.	^{4/} 1.75	1.68	1.71	5.53	5.55	5.64	3.16	3.31	3.30
U. S.	1.85	1.70	1.76	5.85	5.81	5.95	^{4/} 3.16	3.41	3.39

^{1/} Data for current month are preliminary. ^{2/} Pounds of concentrate ration equal in value to 1 pound milk sold to plants. ^{3/} Value per 100 pounds of concentrate ration fed to milk cows. ^{4/} Revised.

Parity price equivalent for manufacturing milk ^{1/}, United States
October 1970, with comparisons

Item	October 1969	September 1970	October 1970
Parity equivalent	Dol. per cwt. : 5.25	5.59	5.60
Average price-f.o.b. plants	Dol. per cwt. : 4.68	4.69	^{2/} 4.82
Average fat test of milk	Percent : 3.82	3.67	^{2/} 3.77

^{1/} Based on prices received by farmers for all manufacturing grade milk. Parity price equivalent relates to the national average price for all manufacturing grade milk of average milkfat content sold by farmers. The parity price equivalent during 1970 is 79.9 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, which compares with 79.3 percent in 1969. For additional details see Supplement No. 1 to the January 1970 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES. ^{2/} Preliminary.

**Feed: Average prices paid by farmers,
United States, October 15, 1970, with comparisons**

Commodity and unit	Average	1969			1970		
	1963-65	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15
		D o l l a r s					
Alfalfa hay, baled, per ton	32.8	32.4	32.6	33.2	32.7	34.0	35.1
Other hay, baled, per ton	32.0	30.6	31.0	31.4	32.1	32.4	33.4
Cottonseed meal, 41 pct., 100 lb.	4.53	4.98	4.98	4.93	5.43	5.50	5.49
Soybean meal, 44 pct. 100 lb.	4.91	5.35	5.32	5.26	5.67	5.72	5.69
Bran, per 100 lb.	3.15	3.38	3.40	3.46	3.63	3.77	3.82
Middlings, per 100 lb.	3.23	3.48	3.51	3.58	3.74	3.86	3.90
Corn meal, per 100 lb.	3.25	3.37	3.35	3.31	3.53	3.68	3.68
Laying feed, per ton 1/	84	81	81	80	84	86	87
Broiler grower feed, per ton 1/	91	92	92	90	95	97	98
Turkey grower, per ton 1/	89	91	90	90	94	2/97	96
Chick starter feed, per ton 1/	95	95	94	94	99	102	101
Dairy feed							
14 pct. protein, per ton	68	67	67	67	69	71	70
16 pct. protein, per ton	72	70	71	71	74	76	77
18 pct. protein, per ton	72	73	73	74	77	80	80
20 pct. protein, per ton	78	76	77	76	81	84	84
32 pct. protein, per ton	--	99	99	99	104	106	106
40 pct. and over, per ton	--	109	108	108	115	116	117
Hog feed, 14-18 pct., 100 lb.	4.23	4.46	4.47	4.46	4.62	4.75	4.72
Hog feed, over 29 pct., 100 lb.	5.85	6.46	6.40	6.36	6.81	6.81	6.79
Cattle feed, 30% and over, 100 lb.	4.59	4.64	4.68	4.67	4.84	4.93	4.94

INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)

Feed, prices paid by farmers	206	205	205	204	215	222	222
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1/ Beginning January 1969 "Complete" ration feed specified which is fed without further mixing or supplementation. No specifications as to "completeness" made prior to January 1968 for laying feed and turkey grower and January 1969 for broiler grower and chick starter. 2/ Revised.

**Livestock: Average prices paid by farmers,
United States, October 15, 1970, with comparisons**

Commodity and unit	Average	1969			1970		
	1957-59	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15
Feeders and stockers:							
Cattle and calves, 100 lb. .. Dol.	23.1	29.5	28.5	29.4	29.5	29.4	30.5
Lambs, per 100 lb. "	20.7	26.1	27.3	27.9	26.3	26.7	26.5
Pigs, per 100 lb. 1/	18.5	42.0	42.5	43.1	40.0	40.0	33.0
Baby Chicks, per 100	13.0	11.6	11.7	11.7	10.9	11.3	11.4
Turkey poults, each	59.0	53.6	50.5	51.0	54.7	53.0	54.6
All livestock	357	437	425	437	435	435	447

INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)

1/ Based on data derived from reports from farmers in 27 States on prices paid for feeder pigs weighing 40-60 lbs. Prior to July 1965 based on data derived from price reports on 100-160 lb. feeder pigs in Sioux City, Iowa-St. Paul, Minnesota markets.

Feed: Average price per 100 pounds paid by farmers, by States
and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	Bran	Middlings	Cotton-	Soybean	Corn	Hog feed		Beef cattle
			seed meal, 41% protein	meal, 44% protein		14-18% protein	Over 29% protein	concentrate, 30% and over protein
D o l l a r s								
Maine	4.20	4.50	6.00	---	4.70	5.20	---	---
N. H.	4.25	---	6.00	6.40	4.55	5.10	---	---
Vt.	4.20	4.45	6.00	6.40	4.60	5.10	---	---
Mass.	4.20	4.35	6.00	6.40	4.55	5.10	---	---
R. I.	4.25	4.35	---	---	4.55	---	---	---
Conn.	4.15	---	6.00	6.40	4.60	5.10	---	---
N. Eng.	4.20	4.38	6.00	6.40	4.59	5.13	---	---
N. Y.	3.80	4.10	5.80	5.60	4.00	4.75	6.90	5.50
N. J.	4.30	---	6.30	6.20	4.25	4.80	---	5.40
Fa.	3.80	4.00	5.70	5.70	3.90	4.80	6.60	5.30
M. Atl.	3.86	4.07	5.75	5.73	3.98	4.78	6.69	5.36
Ohio	4.05	4.25	6.20	5.90	3.50	4.90	7.00	5.90
Ind.	4.20	4.30	6.00	5.90	2.95	4.95	7.10	5.80
Ill.	4.05	4.05	5.70	5.70	3.30	5.50	7.00	5.50
Mich.	4.15	4.20	6.40	5.90	3.50	4.20	7.10	5.70
Wis.	3.60	3.75	5.70	5.60	3.15	4.70	7.20	5.70
E. N. Cent.	3.86	4.10	6.04	5.77	3.27	4.83	7.07	5.66
Minn.	3.65	3.65	6.00	5.40	2.80	4.70	6.80	5.20
Iowa	4.00	4.00	5.90	5.60	2.70	5.10	6.80	5.50
Mo.	3.45	3.45	5.20	5.40	3.25	4.50	6.40	4.80
N. Dak.	3.65	3.75	---	5.90	2.70	---	---	---
S. Dak.	4.10	4.15	6.00	5.70	2.65	---	---	---
Nebr.	3.65	3.65	5.80	5.70	3.00	4.70	6.70	4.70
Kans.	3.35	3.30	5.30	5.40	3.00	4.50	6.40	4.60
W. N. Cent.	3.60	3.73	5.55	5.50	2.88	4.70	6.63	4.93
Del.	4.00	---	---	6.30	3.95	4.10	6.50	---
Md.	3.95	4.00	5.70	5.80	3.60	4.60	6.50	5.60
Va.	4.10	4.35	5.80	6.10	4.05	---	---	---
W. Va.	4.20	4.65	5.70	6.10	4.10	4.60	6.80	---
N. C.	3.95	4.00	5.50	5.80	3.85	---	---	---
S. C.	4.05	4.05	5.10	5.40	4.10	---	---	---
Ga.	4.25	4.30	5.20	5.50	3.90	---	---	---
Fla.	4.40	4.55	5.80	5.60	4.30	---	---	---
S. Atl.	4.07	4.29	5.63	5.84	3.91	4.55	6.67	---
Ky.	3.95	4.10	5.40	5.90	3.50	4.60	6.20	5.20
Tenn.	3.70	3.85	5.20	5.50	4.50	4.60	6.30	4.75
Ala.	4.05	4.30	5.00	5.30	3.95	---	---	---
Miss.	4.10	4.30	4.70	4.75	3.95	---	---	---
E. S. Cent.	3.87	4.08	5.08	5.51	3.96	4.60	6.25	4.90
Ark.	3.55	3.65	4.75	5.00	3.65	---	---	---
La.	3.50	4.20	5.10	5.40	4.05	---	---	---
Okla.	3.45	3.50	5.10	5.60	3.60	---	---	---
Texas	3.70	3.80	5.10	5.60	3.80	---	---	---
W. S. Cent.	3.60	3.74	5.04	5.39	3.76	---	---	---
Mont.	3.10	3.00	5.60	6.00	3.50	---	---	---
Idaho	3.10	3.00	5.90	7.10	3.50	---	---	---
Wyo.	3.50	3.55	5.90	6.00	3.60	---	---	---
Colo.	3.70	3.65	5.50	5.70	3.30	---	---	---
N. Mex.	4.00	4.10	5.20	5.70	4.10	---	---	---
Ariz.	4.70	---	4.05	6.00	---	---	---	---
Utah	3.05	2.95	5.40	6.40	3.80	---	---	---
Nev.	4.10	3.90	5.60	---	4.70	---	---	---
Mount.	3.70	3.35	5.45	6.12	3.48	---	---	---
Wash.	3.90	3.80	5.80	6.60	4.10	---	---	---
Oreg.	3.50	3.35	5.90	6.50	3.75	---	---	---
Calif.	4.15	4.25	5.20	6.00	4.30	---	---	---
Pac.	3.99	3.80	5.53	6.36	4.20	---	---	---
U. S.	3.82	3.90	5.49	5.69	3.68	4.72	6.79	4.94

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers, by States and geographic divisions,
October 15, 1970

State and division	Dairy feed, percent protein					
	14	16	18	20	32	40 and over
	Dollars					
Maine	80	78	81	79	---	---
N. H.	79	77	--	78	---	---
Vt.	78	76	79	77	---	---
Mass.	78	76	78	77	---	---
R. I.	76	75	--	76	---	---
Conn.	77	75	79	76	---	---
N. Eng.	78	76	79	77	---	---
N. Y.	82	80	80	83	95	99
N. J.	89	86	87	90	105	115
Pa.	85	82	84	86	109	112
M. Atl.	84	81	81	85	104	108
Ohio	85	87	89	--	114	122
Ind.	76	85	--	--	110	115
Ill.	83	84	90	--	114	122
Mich.	76	78	--	86	116	125
Wis.	70	72	79	86	109	120
E. N. Cent.	79	80	86	86	111	121
Minn.	66	68	75	84	108	122
Iowa	73	75	83	--	111	120
Mo.	69	73	73	--	95	110
N. Dak.	66	69	--	--	100	119
S. Dak.	76	78	--	--	102	120
Nebr.	73	77	79	86	106	115
Kans.	73	73	--	--	95	117
W. N. Cent.	71	72	76	84	103	115
Del.	--	81	--	--	---	---
Md.	80	82	84	--	106	114
Va.	80	84	81	86	104	116
W. Va.	78	84	85	87	---	110
N. C.	75	80	82	88	102	120
S. C.	74	76	82	85	98	---
Ga.	76	82	84	88	105	110
Fla.	72	72	83	87	---	---
S. Atl.	75	81	83	87	104	115
Ky.	74	77	--	89	105	113
Tenn.	66	78	80	82	105	107
Ala.	--	78	79	--	---	105
Miss.	70	73	75	79	85	---
E. S. Cent.	72	76	79	86	102	111
Ark.	70	74	77	--	---	---
La.	71	73	76	78	---	---
Okla.	65	71	73	80	96	120
Texas.	69	76	77	78	92	96
W. S. Cent.	69	74	77	78	93	106
Mont.	59	64	79	--	---	---
Idaho	64	84	--	--	96	---
Wyo.	--	84	--	--	---	---
Colo.	77	74	--	--	101	89
N. Mex.	72	75	--	--	---	---
Ariz.	68	71	--	--	---	107
Utah	63	64	--	--	77	---
Nev.	67	73	--	--	---	---
Mount.	69	72	--	--	91	98
Wash.	68	71	--	--	---	---
Oreg.	69	70	--	--	---	---
Calif.	67	71	71	--	---	---
Pac.	67	71	--	--	---	---
Hawaii	--	97	--	99	---	---
U. S.	70	77	80	84	106	117

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers for poultry feed and poultry feed price ratios, by States and geographic divisions, October 15, 1970

State and division	Poultry feed, per ton				Poultry price ratios ^{1/}		
	Chick starter	Laying feed	Turkey grower	Broiler grower	Egg-feed	Broiler-feed	Turkey-feed
	D o l l a r s				P o u n d s		
Maine	94	80	99	96	9.0	3.1	---
N. H.	96	80	98	98	10.3	---	---
Vt.	95	83	100	100	9.4	---	---
Mass.	94	81	97	98	9.9	---	---
R. I.	94	79	97	98	11.4	---	---
Conn.	94	79	96	98	12.7	3.1	---
N. Eng.	94	80	97	96	10.3	3.1	---
N. Y.	99	88	109	100	7.3	---	---
N. J.	107	97	113	106	7.4	---	---
Pa.	104	91	104	102	9.0	2.9	4.8
M. Atl.	103	91	106	102	8.2	---	---
Ohio	107	94	100	99	7.2	2.8	4.4
Ind.	105	91	93	98	7.9	3.1	5.2
Ill.	114	98	112	104	5.7	---	4.5
Mich.	102	83	106	92	7.4	---	4.3
Wis.	110	91	97	103	6.2	2.6	4.7
E. N. Cent.	108	92	100	100	7.0	2.8	4.6
Minn.	108	89	91	79	5.6	---	4.8
Iowa	108	86	93	95	5.8	---	4.9
Mo.	98	82	92	91	7.3	3.1	5.0
N. Dak.	107	95	89	97	5.7	---	---
S. Dak.	112	83	91	90	5.3	---	4.8
Nebr.	104	89	93	91	4.9	---	4.5
Kans.	103	88	103	100	5.5	---	---
W. N. Cent.	104	86	92	88	5.8	---	4.7
Del.	108	88	108	107	12.0	2.7	---
Md.	110	93	107	108	10.1	2.7	---
Va.	102	93	100	103	8.1	2.7	4.2
W. Va.	104	92	108	100	8.0	2.9	3.9
N. C.	99	91	98	98	9.0	2.6	4.3
S. C.	92	86	92	100	8.4	2.6	5.0
Ga.	96	86	105	100	8.4	2.3	4.2
Fla.	105	92	97	96	6.1	2.5	---
S. Atl.	101	89	101	102	8.2	2.5	4.2
Ky.	111	97	105	105	6.4	---	---
Tenn.	107	96	112	98	8.3	3.2	---
Ala.	97	89	102	95	9.2	2.4	4.3
Miss.	95	91	101	91	9.2	2.4	---
E. S. Cent.	100	92	105	94	8.8	2.5	---
Ark.	105	83	94	93	7.9	2.7	5.1
La.	87	77	---	83	8.8	2.8	---
Okla.	94	85	104	98	7.4	2.7	4.2
Texas	106	92	109	105	7.0	2.4	3.7
W. S. Cent.	103	86	104	95	7.6	2.6	4.3
Mont.	107	92	110	101	8.7	---	---
Idaho	103	85	109	101	9.4	---	---
Wyo.	110	99	---	---	6.9	---	---
Colo.	107	93	112	106	6.7	---	4.1
N. Mex.	100	91	100	---	7.3	---	---
Ariz.	102	86	104	96	5.8	---	---
Utah	98	79	91	98	6.8	---	4.8
Nev.	129	108	116	125	5.2	---	---
Mount.	104	88	98	100	7.3	---	4.6
Wash.	99	84	88	101	6.9	3.5	5.0
Oreg.	100	87	89	102	8.0	3.3	5.2
Calif.	90	76	88	89	6.9	3.5	5.0
Pac.	92	77	88	92	7.0	3.5	5.0
Hawaii	126	103	---	130	9.9	4.8	---
U. S.	101	87	96	98	7.6	2.6	4.6

^{1/} Number of pounds of laying feed, equivalent in value to one dozen eggs, number of pounds of broiler grower equal in value to one pound of broiler live weight, and number of pounds of turkey grower equal in value to one pound of turkey live weight.

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