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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX DOWN 2 POINTS PRICES PAID INDEX UNCHANGED

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers declined 2 points (2 percent) to 120 percent of the January-December 1967 average during the month ended March 15, 1972, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Contributing most to the decrease were lower prices for hogs, cotton, lettuce, celery, tomatoes, cattle and milk. Higher prices for eggs and soybeans were partially offsetting. The Index was 8 percent higher than a year earlier.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, including Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for March 15 was 124, unchanged from a month earlier. Lower average prices for food and tobacco and motor supplies offset generally higher prices for the other commodity groups. The index was 5 percent above a year earlier.

SUMMARY TABLE

Index 1967=100	: Feb. 15, : 1971	: March 15, : 1971	: Feb. 15, : 1972	: March 15, : 1972
Prices Received	: 112	111	122	120
Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates	: 118	118	124	124
Ratio 1/	: 95	94	98	97

1/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates.

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PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

The Prices Received Index declined 2 points (2 percent) from mid-February to mid-March to 120 percent of its 1967 average. Of the subgroups shown on page 7, the following contributed most to the change.

MEAT ANIMALS: The Index of Prices Received by Farmers for meat animals declined 4 points (3 percent) during the month ended March 15 to 139 (1967=100). Hog prices declined \$2.40 per cwt. (9 percent) to \$23.30. Beef cattle prices, at \$32.40 per cwt., were down 20 cents. Calves averaged \$41.70, exceeding last month's record high by 50 cents. Lamb prices averaged \$28.20 per cwt., up 50 cents. Sheep were up 36 cents to \$6.78. The index was 19 percent above a year earlier.

Receipts of hogs at reporting yards during the 4 weeks ended March 18 were up 10 percent, cattle and calves combined were down 5 percent, and sheep and lamb receipts were down 11 percent compared with the previous 4 weeks ended February 19, 1972.

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES: The index of prices received by farmers for commercial vegetables in mid-March at 100, was 16 percent below a month earlier. Lower prices for lettuce, celery, tomatoes, asparagus, and carrots were mainly responsible for the decline. Higher prices for cucumbers and snap beans were only partially offsetting. All other commercial vegetables showed little or no change from a month ago. The index was 20 percent below a year ago.

COTTON: Prices received for upland cotton decreased 8 percent during the month ended March 15 to 27.80 cents per lb. Lower prices reflected sales of lower quality cotton from late-harvested areas, primarily in Texas. Marketing activities elsewhere were slow during mid-March. The average February to March index change is an increase of 2 percent. Mid-March upland cotton prices averaged 24 percent above a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGGS: Higher prices for eggs, chickens excluding broilers, and turkeys pushed the poultry and egg index up 7 points (7 percent) to 105 during the month ended March 15, 1972. Egg prices advanced 11 percent to 32.0 cents per dozen, the highest price since December 1971. Prices for chickens excluding broilers averaged 8.7 cents per pound, up 6 percent; turkeys, at 22.6 cents per pound, were up about 1 percent. Broiler prices averaged 14.5 cents per pound, slightly below February prices. Compared with a year earlier the index was up 3 percent.

OIL-BEARING CROPS: Higher prices for soybeans pushed the oil-bearing index to 114, an increase of 5 percent. Mid-March soybean prices averaged \$3.20 per bushel, the highest price since July 1948. Soybean prices were 20 cents above a month earlier and 29 cents above March 1971. The index was 8 percent above a year earlier.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: In March, declining milk prices dropped the dairy products index 1 percent to 118. Prices received by farmers from plants and dealers for fluid market milk averaged \$6.34 per cwt., 11 cents below the revised February price of \$6.45, but 14 cents above March 1971. Manufacturing grade milk prices averaged \$5.08 per cwt., 2 cents above the revised February price and 22 cents above a year earlier. The index was 3 percent above March 1971.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The March 15 index of prices paid by farmers for commodities and services was 120 percent of its 1967 average, unchanged from a month earlier, but 4 percent above a year ago.

PRODUCTION INDEX UP

At mid-March, the index of prices paid by farmers for production goods was 119, up 1 percent from mid-February. Higher prices for feed, motor vehicles including tractors, farm machinery, building and fencing materials, and farm supplies were only partially offset by lower average motor supply prices. Compared with a year earlier, the production index was up 4 percent.

FEED: The index of prices paid for feed, at 104, advanced 1 percent from mid-February to mid-March. Prices for most feeds averaged higher except for grain byproducts and mixed poultry feeds, which declined slightly. The feed index was 4 percent below a year earlier.

MOTOR VEHICLES: Prices paid by farmers for motor vehicles increased 1½ percent from mid-February. Higher prices for tractors, used autos, and used light-duty trucks accounted for the advance. Motor vehicle prices averaged 6 percent above mid-March 1971.

MOTOR SUPPLIES: For the month ending March 15, prices paid by farmers for motor supplies averaged 1 percent below a month earlier. Lower prices for gasoline and diesel fuel accounted for most of the decrease. Compared with mid-March 1971, motor supplies were up 1 percent.

FAMILY LIVING INDEX STEADY

The March 15 index of prices paid by farmers for family living items was 123, unchanged from a month earlier. Lower food and tobacco prices offset higher prices for building materials for the house, household furnishings, and clothing. The index was 5 percent higher than mid-March a year ago.

FOOD AND TOBACCO: Prices paid by farmers for food and tobacco in mid-March averaged 1 percent less than a month earlier. Prices for most commodity groups were lower, with vegetables, meat, and cereal and bakery products contributing most to the decline. March 1972 prices averaged 4 percent more than a year earlier.

BUILDING MATERIALS, HOUSE: Prices paid for house-building materials in mid-March increased 1½ percent from a month earlier. Prices were higher for most items except millwork and paint. The mid-March index was up 9 percent from a year earlier.

HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS: Average prices paid for household furnishings in mid-March were 1½ percent above a month earlier. Prices were generally higher, although a few electrical appliances and floor coverings showed small declines. Prices averaged about 4 percent more than in March 1971.

Average prices received by farmers for farm products, United States, March 15, 1972
with comparisons

Commodity and unit	Average		Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
	Jan. 1910- Dec. 1914	Jan. 1967- Dec. 1967	15, 1971	15, 1972	15, 1972	15, 1972
All wheat, per bu.	Dol.:	.880	1.47	1.39	1.33	1.34
Rye, per bu.	"	.725	1.05	.925	.822	.831
Rice (rough), per cwt.	"	1.81	5.05	5.36	5.55	5.57
Corn, per bu.	"	.649	1.17	1.43	1.09	1.09
Oats, per bu.	"	.399	.668	.658	.638	.636
Barley, per bu.	"	.617	1.02	1.02	1.02	1.01
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	"		1.88	2.17	1.89	1.86
All hay, baled, per ton	"	11.90	23.50	26.00	29.20	29.70
Cotton, American upland, per lb. <u>1/</u>	Ct. :2/	11.92	22.54	22.51	30.25	30.27
Cotton, American-Pima, per lb.	"		49.5	40.6	46.3	44.4
Peanuts, per lb.	"	4.83	11.4			
Cottonseed, per ton	Dol.:	21.80	58.00	58.20	54.50	54.30
Soybeans, per bu.	"		2.62	2.91	2.92	3.00
Flaxseed, per bu.	"	1.68	2.89	2.34	2.41	2.42
Potatoes, per cwt. <u>3/</u>	"	1.13	2.02	2.03	1.93	1.80
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	"	1.61	5.65	6.89	6.70	6.88
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	"	3.39	7.99	10.20	11.30	12.00
Dry field peas (open mkt.), per cwt.	"		4.64	4.20	3.05	3.27
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. <u>3/ 4/</u>	Ct. :		6.65	6.26	6.61	6.54
Peaches, for fresh use, per lb. <u>3/</u>	"		9.20			
Strawberries, for fresh use, per lb. <u>3/</u>	"		28.3	36.5	40.7	34.7
Pears, for fresh use, per ton <u>3/ 4/</u>	Dol.:		125.00	128.00	94.00	109.00
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box <u>3/</u>	"					
Grapefruit	"		1.38	1.53	2.17	2.13
Lemons	"		2.45	3.89	2.37	2.57
Oranges	"		1.58	1.55	1.95	2.13
Tangelos	"		2.49		1.14	.89
Tangerines	"		2.66	2.02	1.95	2.23
Temples	"		1.62	1.31	2.74	1.53
All beef cattle, per cwt.	Dol.:	5.52	22.20	28.60	31.40	32.60
Cows, per cwt.	"		16.50	20.80	21.80	23.20
Steers and heifers, per cwt.	"		24.00	30.60	34.40	35.30
Calves, per cwt.	"	6.84	26.40	35.50	39.60	41.20
Hogs, per cwt.	"	7.29	19.00	16.90	22.70	25.70
Lambs, per cwt.	"	5.96	22.20	25.30	26.30	27.70
Sheep, per cwt.	"	4.59	6.38	7.29	6.03	6.42
All milk sold to plants, per cwt. <u>3/</u>	Dol.:	1.61	5.03	5.83	6.13	6.10
Milk eligible for fluid market <u>3/</u>	"		5.44	6.20	6.46	6.45
Milk of manufacturing grade <u>3/</u>	"		4.07	4.86	5.08	5.06
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. :	26.3	68.1	71.2	70.3	70.0
Chickens, excluding broilers, live, per lb.	"		7.9	7.9	8.2	8.2
Broilers, live, per lb. <u>3/</u>	"		13.3	13.7	13.4	14.6
Eggs, per dozen <u>6/</u>	"	21.6	31.2	31.6	29.8	28.9
Turkeys, live, per lb.	"	14.3	20.0	21.2	22.8	22.3
Wool, per lb. <u>3/ 7/</u>	"	17.8	39.7	29.3	20.4	21.1
Mohair (Texas only), per lb.	"		43.9	30.0	45.0	65.0
Adjusted for seasonal variation						
All milk, sold to plants, per cwt. <u>3/</u>	Dol.:		5.04	5.89	5.95	6.04
Eggs, per dozen	Ct. :		31.2	31.0	26.4	27.8

1/ Beginning August 1971 basis for cotton prices was changed from 500 pound gross weight to a 480 pound net weight bale; to compute comparable prices for previous months multiply price times 1.04167. 2/ All Cotton. 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, 3.72; fluid market, 3.73; manufacturing grade, 3.68. 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/ 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 5,636 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 March 1972 with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Adjusted base prices 2/	Parity prices 3/ based on data for			Average prices as percentage of parity prices			
		Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	Mar. 1972	Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	Mar. 1972	
<u>Basic Commodities:</u>								
All wheat, per bu.	Dol.:	.699	2.87	2.96	2.96	48	45	45
Rice, per cwt.	"	4/1.86	7.66	7.87	7.87			
Corn, per bu.	"	.461	1.84	1.95	1.95	78	56	56
Cotton, per lb.								
American upland	Ct.:	12.74	50.86	53.89	53.89	5/44	56	52
Extra long staple	"	4/18.8	78.6	79.5	79.5			
Peanuts, per lb.	"	4/4.39	17.8	18.6	18.6			
Tobacco, per lb.:								
Flue-cured, types 11-14	"	4/24.6	99.1	104.0	104.0			
Va. fire-cured, type 21	"	4/16.6	65.7	70.2	70.2		75	
Ky.-Tenn. fire-cured, types 22-23	"	4/17.0	67.3	71.9	71.9	5/70	82	
Burley, type 31	"	4/25.3	102.0	107.0	107.0			
Maryland, type 32	"	6/23.1	93.1	97.7	97.7			
Dark air-cured, types 35-36	"	4/15.0	60.0	63.5	63.5			
Sun-cured, type 37	"	4/16.7	66.5	70.6	70.6			
Pa. seedleaf, type 41	"	7/						
Cigar filler and binder, types 42-44, 53-55	"	7/						
Puerto Rican filler, type 46	"	4/15.4	60.5	65.1	65.1			
Cigar binder, types 51-52	"	4/20.2	79.4	85.4	85.4			
<u>Designated Nonbasic Commodities:</u>								
Tung nuts, per ton	Dol.:	4/25.90	110.00	110.00	110.00			
All milk sold to plants, per cwt.	"	1.82	7.21	7.70	7.70	8/82	8/78	8/79
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct.:	24.3	99.1	103.0	103.0	72	68	68
Honey, wholesale, per lb.:								
Extracted	"	9/5.61	22.4	23.7	23.7			
<u>Wool and Mohair:</u>								
Wool, per lb.	Ct.:	4/24.5	99.5	104.0	104.0	10/29	10/20	10/23
Mohair, per lb.	"	4/29.6	123.0	125.0	125.0			
<u>Other Nonbasic Commodities:</u>								
Barley, per bu.	Dol.:	.365	1.48	1.54	1.54	69	66	64
Cottonseed, per ton.	"	4/19.30	78.60	81.60	81.60	74	67	69
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	"	3.00	11.90	12.70	12.70	86	94	92
Flaxseed, per bu.	"	1.03	4.35	4.36	4.36	54	56	56
Oats, per bu.	"	.232	.955	.981	.981	69	65	65
Potatoes, per cwt.	"	.822	3.28	3.48	3.48	5/62	52	51
Rye, per bu.	"	.370	1.53	1.57	1.57	60	53	53
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	"	.770	3.05	3.26	3.26	71	57	57
Soybeans, per bu.	"	.963	3.91	4.07	4.07	74	74	79
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	"	2.05	8.22	8.67	8.67	5/84	79	71
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 11/Ct.		2.39	9.79	10.1	10.1	5/64	65	69
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box:								
Grapefruit	Dol.:	4/.584	2.13	2.47	2.47	72	86	79
Lemons	"	4/1.06	3.86	4.48	4.48	101	57	88
Limes	"	4/1.28	5.24	5.41	5.41			
Oranges	"	4/.803	3.22	3.40	3.40	48	63	62
Tangerines	"	4/.993	3.88	4.20	4.20	52	53	68
Templets	"	4/.862	3.49	3.65	3.65	38	42	35
Beef cattle, per cwt.	"	8.51	33.70	36.00	36.00	85	91	90
Calves, per cwt.	"	10.20	40.00	43.10	43.10	89	96	97
Hogs, per cwt.	"	7.06	29.00	29.90	29.90	58	86	78
Lambs, per cwt.	"	8.74	34.30	37.00	37.00	74	75	76
Sheep, per cwt.	"	2.46	9.95	10.40	10.40	73	62	65
Eggs, per doz.	Ct.:	12.9	54.0	54.6	54.6	8/57	8/51	8/58
Turkeys, live, per lb.	"	8.03	32.9	34.0	34.0	64	66	66

See footnotes on page 6.

Parity prices based on data for March 1972 United States 1/

Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Parity prices 3/ based on data for Mar. 1972	Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Parity prices 3/ based on data for Mar. 1972
	Dollars		Dollars
Field Crops and Misc. Commodities		Noncitrus Fruits:	
Castor beans, cwt.	8.08	Peaches	
Crude pine gum, bbl.	52.00	For fresh use, lb. 13/	.107
Hops, lb.	.787	Dried (Calif.), ton	16/952.00
Tobacco, lb.		For processing (excl. dried)	
Cigar wrapper, type 61	7/	Clingstone (Calif.), ton 12/	111.00
Cigar wrapper, type 62	7/	Pears	
		For fresh use, ton 14/	179.00
Noncitrus Fruits:		Dried (Calif.), ton	1,250.00
Apples, for processing, ton	74.00	Plums (Calif.), equiv.	
Apricots, ton	318.00	on-tree, ton	
For fresh use		For fresh use	206.00
Dried (Calif.)	1,650.00	Prunes, dried (Calif.), ton	421.00
Avocados, ton 12/	7/	Prunes and Plums (Excl. Calif.), ton	
Cherries, ton		For fresh use	245.00
Sweet	550.00	For processing (excl. dried)	99.40
Tart	303.00	Tree Nuts, ton:	
Cranberries, bbl. 12/	7/	Almonds	7/
Dates (Calif.), ton	233.00	Filberts	753.00
Grapes, ton		Walnuts	7/
Raisin varieties		Vegetables for fresh market, cwt.:	
Dried (Calif.)	393.00	Cantaloupes	8.88
Grapes excl. raisin varieties dried	111.00	Carrots 15/	6.13
Nectarines (Calif.), ton		Cauliflower 15/	13.70
For fresh use 12/	201.00	Celery 15/	7.49
Olives (Calif.)		Honeydew melons	9.26
For canning, ton 12/	457.00	Lettuce	7.61
		Onions 15/	5.67
		Tomatoes	15.90

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 1961-December 1970 average (including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations) by dividing by 263 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 1961-70 (including an allowance, where appropriate, for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations.) 5/ Revised. 6/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 weighted calendar year prices 1962-71. 7/ Not available. 8/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price.

9/ Adjusted based price derived from State annual average prices weighted by production. 10/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. 11/ 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. 12/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point.

13/ 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.

14/ 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. 15/ Includes some processing.

16/ Correction: The Feb. 1972 parity price should be \$952.00; not \$925.00 as published in the February issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES.

See Supplement No. 1, January 1972 AGRICULTURAL PRICES for details on parity prices computations.

Index numbers of Prices Received by Farmers, United States, March 15, 1972
with comparisons

Index	1910-14=100					1967=100			
	Average	1971		1972		1971		1972	
	Jan.-Dec.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.
	1967	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
UNADJUSTED									
All Farm Products	254	284	282	310	304	112	111	122	120
All Crops	226	237	242	250	242	105	107	111	107
Food grains	177	172	170	166	166	97	96	94	94
Feed grains and hay	174	201	201	173	173	116	116	99	99
Feed grains	174	202	201	164	165	116	116	94	95
Cotton	191	182	178	255	235	95	93	134	123
Tobacco	555	614	614	663	663	111	111	119	119
Oil-bearing crops	276	294	292	300	315	107	106	109	114
Fruit	244	234	253	260	261	96	104	107	107
Fresh market 1/	242	229	252	269	272	95	104	111	112
Commercial vegetables	283	317	353	338	284	112	125	119	100
Fresh market	324	416	471	432	353	128	145	133	109
Potatoes, etc. 2/	193	200	206	204	198	104	107	106	103
Livestock & products	277	324	317	362	357	117	114	131	129
Meat animals	336	403	393	481	468	120	117	143	139
Dairy products	306	357	352	365	362	117	115	119	118
Poultry & eggs	132	136	134	130	138	103	102	98	105
Wool	223	177	165	119	135	79	74	53	61
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
Fresh market fruit 1/	244	243	264	294	289	100	108	120	118
Fresh market vegetables	330	387	434	435	323	117	132	132	98
Potatoes, etc. 2/	193	207	200	210	193	107	104	109	100
Dairy products	306	353	356	362	366	115	116	118	120
Poultry & eggs	132	132	130	125	135	100	98	95	102

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, March 1-15, 1972 with comparisons

Commodity	Average	March	March	Feb.	Feb.	March
	Jan.-Dec.	1-15,	1-31,	1-15,	1-29,	1-15,
	1967	1971	1971 1/	1972	1972	1972
				D o l l a r s		
Asparagus	23.70	37.60	32.30	47.30	38.60	23.10
Broccoli	11.70	15.10	14.20	13.60	14.20	13.20
Cabbage	2.85	3.52	3.63	4.19	4.04	3.80
Cantaloups	6.26					
Carrots	5.74	5.24	5.87	9.13	9.25	7.09
Cauliflower	10.80	20.60	16.30	18.50	18.00	15.20
Celery	4.94	4.26	4.03	9.85	10.10	5.52
Cucumbers	7.74		15.70			24.80
Green peppers	12.20	34.00	37.50	15.20	15.90	17.90
Lettuce	5.19	10.10	7.07	8.06	6.37	7.57
Onions	4.37	3.81	3.52	1/4.24	4.12	3.85
Snap beans	11.70	21.00	18.40	11.40	15.30	16.70
Spinach	10.20	13.80	14.70	16.80	13.80	14.30
Sweet corn	5.68	11.00	9.50	7.20	7.20	7.30
Tomatoes	9.63	22.80	20.40	1/11.40	10.50	9.00
Watermelons	2.06					

1/ Revised.

Index numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates, and related data, United States, March 15, 1972, with comparisons

Indexes and ratios	1910-14=100					1967=100				
	1971		1972			1971		1972		
	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15	Jan. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15	Jan. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS FOR										
Commodities & Services,										
Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (Parity Index 1910-14=100)	403	405	420	423	423	118	118	123	124	124
Prices Paid	346	348	360	363	363	115	115	119	120	120
Family living items	376	1/377	391	395	395	117	117	121	123	123
Food and tobacco		366					114			
Clothing		494					124			
Household operation		267					115			
Household furnishings		296					113			
Building materials, house		520					120			
Autos and auto supplies		406					117			
Production items	325	1/327	338	340	341	113	114	118	118	119
Feed	229	230	220	219	221	108	108	104	103	104
Feeder livestock	463	459	510	529	527	124	123	137	142	142
Motor supplies		201					111			
Motor vehicles 2/		595					119			
Farm machinery		558					121			
Building & fencing materials		492					121			
Fertilizer		3/150					3/ 98			
Farm supplies		299					109			
Seed		3/ 270					3/114			
Interest 4/	658	658	713	713	713	138	138	149	149	149
Taxes 5/	1,281	1,281	1,377	1,377	1,377	144	144	155	155	155
Wage Rates 6/	1,105	1,105	1,139	1,139	1,139	130	130	134	134	134
PARITY RATIO 7/	70	70	72	73	72					
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (prelim.) 8/	75	74	78	79	78					
Production Items, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	423	425	441	443	444	119	119	124	124	125
Other Related Indexes										
Prices Received by Farmers						112	112	120	122	120
Wholesale prices: 9/										
All commodities						113	113	116	117	
Industrial commodities						112	113	116	116	
Consumers' prices (CPI) 9/						119	120	123	124	
Average hourly earnings, mfg. production workers 10/						124	124	131	131	

- 1/ Revised.
- 2/ Includes autos, trucks, and tractors.
- 3/ Estimated unchanged since September 15, date of last previous survey.
- 4/ Interest payable per acre on farm real estate debt.
- 5/ Farm real estate taxes payable per acre.
- 6/ Seasonally adjusted.
- 7/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates.
- 8/ The preliminary adjustment factor used for computing the Adjusted Parity Ratio is supplied by the Economic Research Service. It is based on estimated cash receipts from marketings and estimates of Government payments for the current calendar year and is 107.8 for 1972. See page 30, April 1967 AGRICULTURAL PRICES, for a description of the method of making current estimates of the Adjusted Parity Ratio.
- 9/ Bureau of Labor Statistics' indexes for month indicated.
- 10/ Based on earnings per hour as estimated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

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.
D o l l a r s								
N. Y.	1.42	.98		1.23	.85			
N. J.	1.38	1.05		1.27				2.95
Pa.	1.45			1.34	.85	1.03		
M. Atl.	1.43	.996		1.29	.85	1.03		2.95
Ohio	1.41	1.00		1.10	.73	.94		3.24
Ind.	1.37	1.05		1.08	.74			3.20
Ill.	1.44	1.03		1.11	.70			3.25
Mich.	1.41	.87		1.04	.72			3.18
Wis.	1.41	1.00		1.13	.72	1.00		3.15
E. N. Cent.	1.41	.938		1.10	.719	.996		3.24
Minn.	1.41	.85		1.02	.61	.87		3.14
Iowa	1.36			1.05	.69			3.14
Mo.	1.41	.92		1.14	.75		1.93	3.20
N. Dak.	1.35	.73		1.04	.51	.81		2.95
S. Dak.	1.34	.81		1.07	.60	.86	1.67	3.09
Nebr.	1.27	.84		1.12	.68		1.72	3.09
Kans.	1.31	.81		1.17	.75	.97	1.77	3.12
W. N. Cent.	1.33	.781		1.07	.597	.836	1.77	3.15
Del.	1.36	1.25		1.28		1.03		3.11
Md.	1.36	1.20		1.29	.78	1.07		3.10
Va.	1.38	1.31		1.30	.81	1.02		3.17
W. Va.	1.62			1.30	.95	1.15		
N. C.	1.39	1.41		1.22	.79	1.05	1.95	3.14
S. C.	1.46	1.38		1.27				3.15
Ga.	1.41	2.00		1.30	.94			3.15
Fla.								
S. Atl.	1.40	1.68		1.27	.840	1.05	1.95	3.15
Ky.	1.41	1.22		1.20	.83	.95		3.23
Tenn.	1.47			1.28				3.07
Ala.	1.45			1.30	.90		1.55	3.15
Miss.	1.47		5.40	1.36	.82		1.70	3.24
E. S. Cent.	1.45	1.22	5.40	1.24	.837	.950	1.69	3.20
Ark.	1.42		5.70	1.32	.79		2.05	3.24
La.			5.50	1.34	.84			3.20
Okla.	1.41			1.28	.82	1.04	1.94	2.99
Texas	1.40	1.14	5.60	1.38	.87	1.10	1.93	3.00
W. S. Cent.	1.41	1.14	5.61	1.37	.837	1.04	1.94	3.23
Mont.	1.28	.61		1.31	.61	.93		
Idaho	1.36	1.25			.75	1.16		
Wyo.	1.13	.90		1.32	.75	1.09		
Colo.	1.22	.90		1.21	.76	1.01	1.91	
N. Mex.							2.00	
Ariz.	1.80					1.45	2.45	
Utah	1.48					1.21		
Nev.	1.55					1.35		
Mount.	1.29	.912		1.21	.671	1.01	2.03	
Wash.	1.41	1.09			.74	1.08		
Oreg.	1.42	1.12			.76	1.14		
Calif.	1.75			1.59	.94	1.45	2.55	
Pac.	1.44	1.09		1.59	.802	1.29	2.55	
48 States	1.34	.825	5.59	1.10	.638	.983	1.87	3.20
Alaska					1.40	2.00		
U. S.	1.34	.825	5.59	1.10	.638	.983	1.87	3.20

State	Winter wheat		Spring wheat, other than Durum	
	March 15, 1972		March 15, 1972	
	Dollars per bushel			
Minn.		1.34		1.41
N. Dak.		1.18		1.33
S. Dak.		1.25		1.38
Mont.		1.23		1.34
Idaho		1.35		1.40
Colo.		1.22		1.22

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

State and division	American upland cotton per lb. 1/	Peanuts per lb. 2/	Tobacco per lb. 3/ 4/	Apples fresh use 4/ 5/ per lb.	Cotton- seed per ton	Flax- seed per bu.	Dry edible beans, per cwt.	Sweet- potatoes per cwt.
	C e n t s				D o l l a r s			
Maine				9.0				
N. H.				9.0				
Vt.				9.0				
Mass.				9.0				
R. I.								
Conn.				9.0				
N. Eng.				9.00				
N. Y.				6.8			8.20	
N. J.				6.4				7.50
Pa.				7.0				
M. Atl.				6.83			8.20	7.50
Ohio				8.0				
Ind.				7.0				
Ill.				7.5				
Mich.				6.7			12.80	
Wis.								
E. N. Cent.				7.01			12.80	
Minn.						2.51		
Iowa								
Mo.	31.0			9.0	54.00			
N. Dak.						2.41		
S. Dak.						2.48		
Nebr.							9.60	
Kans.							10.20	
W. N. Cent.	31.00			9.00	54.00	2.44	9.64	
Del.								
Md.				7.8				6.50
Va.				8.0				6.50
W. Va.				8.0				
N. C.	31.0			7.0				6.70
S. C.	31.0				49.00			7.20
Ga.	31.0				46.00			6.70
Fla.								
S. Atl.	31.00			7.98	47.20			6.69
Ky.								
Tenn.	29.5		48.0		55.00			6.10
Ala.	31.0				50.00			6.00
Miss.	29.0				60.00			5.30
E. S. Cent.	29.39		48.0		57.90			5.75
Ark.	30.0				57.00			6.00
La.	31.0				56.00			8.00
Okla.	26.5				56.00			
Texas	23.5				54.00			7.30
W. S. Cent.	24.27				54.30			7.64
Mont.						2.15	9.80	
Idaho				8.5			9.70	
Wyo.							10.00	
Colo.								
N. Mex.	29.0							
Ariz.	28.5							
Utah							10.90	
Nev.								
Mount.	28.67			8.50		2.15	9.77	
Wash.				6.4			11.10	
Oreg.				6.1				
Calif.	34.0			6.5	65.00		15.70	12.50
Pac.	34.00			6.39	65.00		14.90	12.50
U. S.	27.80		48.0	6.92	55.90	2.44	11.70	6.12

1/ Price based on 480 pound net weight bale. 2/ Insufficient sales. 3/ Prices by types shown on page 15. 4/ Average for the month. 5/ 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.

Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

State and division	Hogs	Cows 1/	Steers and heifers	Beef cattle 2/	Calves	Sheep	Lambs
D o l l a r s							
Maine		23.50	27.00	23.80			
N. H.		23.00	27.00	23.40			
Vt.		22.00	26.50	22.40	33.00		
Mass.		23.50	26.50	23.80			
R. I.		23.50	27.00	23.80			
Conn.		23.50	27.50	23.80			
N. Eng.		22.90	26.80	23.20			
N. Y.	23.40	23.60	31.00	24.40	42.50		30.00
N. J.	24.00	22.30	32.00	23.70	42.50		
Pa.	24.20	24.60	31.00	27.20	49.30	8.10	31.80
M. Atl.	24.10	23.90	31.00	25.80	45.20	8.10	31.10
Ohio	23.90	22.60	33.80	30.80	46.00	9.30	29.40
Ind.	23.60	23.60	33.20	32.20	41.30	7.60	26.80
Ill.	23.70	23.00	34.00	32.40	40.00	6.50	26.00
Mich.	23.90	24.00	31.40	28.40	47.00	10.00	28.60
Wis.	23.10	24.00	31.60	25.90	46.50	5.90	27.00
E. N. Cent.	23.60	23.50	33.50	30.70	46.20	7.47	27.70
Minn.	23.20	24.90	33.20	30.00	45.00	5.60	29.40
Iowa	23.00	24.00	34.70	33.10	40.30	5.70	27.80
Mo.	23.70	23.00	34.50	32.60	41.00	5.50	28.00
N. Dak.	22.60	22.50	34.00	31.40	40.50	4.00	27.50
S. Dak.	23.20	22.10	35.20	33.40	40.00	4.90	28.60
Nebr.	22.80	24.80	35.00	33.60	40.30	5.50	29.00
Kans.	22.80	23.50	35.60	33.70	41.50	5.40	28.00
W. N. Cent.	23.10	23.90	34.90	33.00	40.90	5.27	28.40
Del.	23.60	22.80	32.70	25.70	46.30		
Md.	24.10	23.30	33.00	27.00	46.80		
Va.	23.20	21.60	30.50	26.20	43.00	6.10	27.00
W. Va.	23.50	22.50	32.60	28.30	45.00	7.50	27.20
N. C.	23.20	23.50	30.60	27.00	42.80		
S. C.	22.60	22.00	34.50	28.00	41.00		
Ga.	23.00	22.70	33.00	28.70	41.00		
Fla.	23.00	24.20	32.80	28.90	42.10		
S. Atl.	23.10	23.10	32.40	28.00	42.40	6.72	27.10
Ky.	23.30	22.70	33.80	30.90	41.00	7.50	28.00
Tenn.	23.60	21.60	32.50	23.50	40.00	6.30	26.50
Ala.	23.30	24.00	33.50	30.40	43.00		
Miss.	23.10	23.30	31.70	27.70	41.00		
E. S. Cent.	23.40	22.90	33.20	29.70	41.30	6.92	27.60
Ark.	23.40	24.00	33.00	29.50	42.00		
La.	23.00	24.50	35.20	29.00	41.50		
Okla.	22.80	23.20	36.70	34.00	41.50	5.50	27.80
Texas	22.70	24.10	34.90	32.70	41.70	11.50	28.10
W. S. Cent.	22.80	23.90	35.30	32.80	41.70	11.20	28.10
Mont.	22.90	25.30	36.10	33.60	40.50	5.20	25.60
Idaho	22.50	23.50	34.60	31.90	42.50	8.00	28.00
Wyo.	21.20	23.80	33.90	31.40	41.50	6.00	27.50
Colo.	22.80	25.60	35.70	35.00	44.10	5.00	30.40
N. Mex.		23.00	36.00	35.20	41.00	7.50	30.00
Ariz.	23.30	23.60	34.40	34.00	40.80	6.00	31.00
Utah	21.20	24.90	33.50	31.00	42.00	6.80	26.80
Nev.		22.50	34.00	31.40	40.00	6.50	29.00
Mount.	22.70	24.50	35.30	34.10	41.20	6.14	27.90
Wash.		22.00	34.60	32.70	39.50	6.10	26.00
Oreg.		23.50	34.20	31.60	41.10	7.50	28.00
Calif.	24.10	22.70	34.70	33.20	35.80	8.70	29.70
Pac.	24.10	22.80	34.60	33.00	38.80	8.40	29.10
48 States	23.30	23.70	34.70	32.40	41.70	6.78	28.20
Alaska	47.50	25.50	31.50	28.80			
Hawaii	40.30	17.60	29.10	26.40			
U.S.	23.30	23.70	34.70	32.40	41.70	6.78	28.20

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.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions,
February 1972 and March 1972

State and division	Milk sold to plants, price per cwt. February 1972						March 1972			
	Eligible for fluid market 1/		Manufacturing grade		All milk		All milk 2/		Milk cows per head	
	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	per cwt.	3/
	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	
Maine	7.25	3.77			7.25	3.77	7.15	3.76	360	
N. H.	7.15	3.87			7.15	3.87	6.95	3.85	380	
Vt.	6.90	3.79			6.90	3.79	6.75	3.78	395	
Mass.	7.25	3.75			7.25	3.75	7.05	3.76	415	
R. I.	7.15	3.73			7.15	3.73	6.95	3.71	405	
Conn.	7.35	3.75			7.35	3.75	7.15	3.73	405	
N. Eng.	7.10	3.78			7.10	3.78	6.93	3.77	393	
N. Y.	6.35	3.66			6.35	3.66	6.10	3.65	385	
N. J.	6.75	3.70			6.75	3.70	6.70	3.70	475	
Pa.	6.85	3.79	5.15	3.78	6.80	3.79	6.75	3.79	485	
M. Atl.	6.56	3.71	5.15	3.78	6.54	3.71	6.37	3.70	428	
Ohio	6.60	3.87	4.89	3.89	6.40	3.87	6.40	3.83	360	
Ind.	6.45	3.88	4.95	3.96	6.25	3.89	6.20	3.83	380	
Ill.	6.20	3.78	5.15	3.80	5.90	3.79	5.80	3.73	330	
Mich.	6.40	3.81	5.00	3.85	6.25	3.81	6.20	3.79	415	
Wis.	5.63	3.74	5.28	3.73	5.47	3.74	5.50	3.72	420	
E. N. Cent.	6.07	3.79	5.23	3.75	5.80	3.78	5.79	3.75	401	
Minn.	5.50	3.69	4.93	3.58	5.12	3.62	5.13	3.61	410	
Iowa	6.01	3.87	5.11	3.71	5.41	3.76	5.35	3.74	355	
Mo.	6.30	3.81	4.90	3.71	5.80	3.78	5.70	3.69	305	
N. Dak.	5.50	3.52	4.95	3.55	5.15	3.54	5.15	3.49	340	
S. Dak.	6.05	3.71	5.00	3.60	5.15	3.62	5.10	3.59	365	
Nebr.	6.20	3.87	5.30	3.87	5.70	3.87	5.70	3.79	355	
Kans.	6.40	3.82	4.75	3.80	5.90	3.81	5.80	3.77	350	
W. N. Cent.	5.94	3.77	4.99	3.64	5.34	3.69	5.31	3.66	369	
Del.	7.05	3.83			7.05	3.83	6.95	3.80	345	
Md.	7.05	3.83			7.05	3.83	6.95	3.80	350	
Va.	7.05	3.77	4.80	3.94	6.87	3.78	6.75	3.75	275	
W. Va.	6.80	3.84			6.70	3.85	6.60	3.80	240	
N. C.	7.40	3.83	4.70	4.22	7.35	3.84	7.30	3.76	245	
S. C.	7.50	3.87			7.50	3.87	7.35	3.80	240	
Ga.	7.25	3.77			7.25	3.77	7.20	3.70	310	
Fla.	7.90	3.67			7.90	3.67	7.80	3.59	290	
S. Atl.	7.32	3.78	4/4.81	4/3.98	7.27	3.79	7.18	3.73	286	
Ky.	6.40	3.88	4.65	3.94	5.90	3.90	5.80	3.82	290	
Tenn.	6.55	3.92	4.50	3.98	6.10	3.93	5.95	3.82	255	
Ala.	7.35	3.96	5.05	4.00	7.30	3.96	7.20	3.87	260	
Miss.	7.00	3.82	4.80	4.00	6.85	3.83	6.80	3.76	300	
E. S. Cent.	6.73	3.89	4.61	3.96	6.33	3.91	6.21	3.82	277	
Ark.	7.35	3.68	5.00	3.69	6.50	3.68	6.35	3.56	280	
La.	7.05	3.74			7.05	3.74	6.80	3.65	365	
Okla.	6.85	3.70	4.90	3.68	6.65	3.70	6.50	3.63	330	
Texas	7.20	3.70			7.20	3.70	7.15	3.64	360	
W. S. Cent.	7.12	3.71	4.97	3.69	6.99	3.71	6.87	3.63	345	
Mont.	6.00	3.74	4.45	3.87	5.90	3.75	5.75	3.66	370	
Idaho	5.50	3.86	5.10	3.83	5.20	3.84	5.20	3.75	400	
Wyo.	6.65	3.70			6.10	3.69	6.00	3.64	325	
Colo.	6.90	3.69			6.90	3.69	6.85	3.65	385	
N. Mex.	7.10	3.68			7.10	3.68	7.00	3.62	290	
Ariz.	7.00	3.61			7.00	3.61	6.95	3.60	315	
Utah	6.20	3.80	5.05	3.65	5.85	3.76	5.70	3.70	350	
Nev.	6.25	3.67			6.25	3.67	6.15	3.62	350	
Mount.	6.54	3.72	4/5.08	4/3.79	6.10	3.74	6.02	3.68	366	
Wash.	6.23	3.94			6.23	3.94	6.20	3.89	370	
Oreg.	6.55	4.00	5.60	4.45	6.40	4.07	6.25	3.98	380	
Calif. 5/ Pac.	5.90	3.77	4.90	3.81	5.75	3.77	5.60	3.70	480	
	6.00	3.81	5.01	3.91	5.87	3.82	5.74	3.75	452	
48 States	6.45	3.77	4/5.06	4/3.71	6.09	3.76	6.01	3.72	379	
Alaska									450	
Hawaii	10.52	3.50			10.52	3.50	10.55	3.45		
U. S.	6.45	3.77	4/5.06	4/3.71	6.10	3.76	6.02	3.72	379	

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, March 15, 1972

State and division	Turkeys per lb.	Chickens excluding broilers per lb.	Broilers per lb.	Eggs per doz.	Wool per lb.	Hay, baled, per ton		
						All	Alfalfa	Other
Cents						Dollars		
Maine		10.0	4/17.0	43.0				
N. H.		9.5		47.0				
Vt.		9.5		43.0				
Mass.		9.5		45.0				
R. I.		9.5		51.0				
Conn.		9.5	4/17.0	53.0				
N. Eng.		9.7	17.0	46.3				
N. Y.		6.5		35.0	30.0	29.10	31.00	27.00
N. J.		7.5		37.0		41.50	43.50	38.00
Pa.	26.0	16.0	17.0	30.0	27.0	32.50	36.50	28.50
M. Atl.	26.0	12.1	17.0	32.6	28.1	31.60	34.70	28.30
Ohio	24.0	9.0	14.5	28.5	19.0	26.50	31.50	24.00
Ind.	24.0	6.0	14.5	31.0	22.0	28.80	31.50	24.50
Ill.	25.0	5.5		27.0	23.0	28.00	29.50	25.50
Mich.	23.0	8.5		29.0	21.0	33.00	34.50	27.00
Wis.	22.0	9.0	16.0	27.0	27.0	22.00	23.00	19.00
E. N. Cent.	23.4	7.5	15.1	28.9	21.2	26.60	28.40	23.30
Minn.	21.0	4.5		20.5	18.0	22.00	23.50	17.00
Iowa	19.0	5.5		26.0	18.0	22.50	23.00	21.00
Mo.	21.0	9.5	14.5	24.0	24.0	26.00	31.00	23.50
N. Dak.		4.0		21.0	18.0	17.50	19.50	15.00
S. Dak.	20.0	4.0		18.5	21.0	19.50	20.00	18.00
Nebr.	19.0	3.0		20.0	19.0	21.50	22.00	20.50
Kans.		5.0		23.0	22.0	25.50	28.00	22.00
W. N. Cent.	20.9	6.0	5/16.2	22.6	19.9	22.60	24.00	20.20
Del.		13.5	16.0	53.9		37.50	41.00	36.00
Md.		11.5	16.0	48.0		35.40	40.00	32.00
Va.	23.0	11.5	4/15.5	40.7		37.30	42.50	36.50
W. Va.	21.0	11.0	13.5	38.0	33.0	33.00	39.00	31.00
N. C.	22.0	11.5	13.5	37.0		35.60	37.00	35.50
S. C.	21.0	8.0	13.5	31.2				
Ga.	25.0	9.0	4/13.5	37.2		32.50	38.00	32.50
Fla.		4.5	13.5	24.5		33.00		33.00
S. Atl.	22.4	9.1	14.3	34.9	33.0	35.40	40.60	34.40
Ky.		10.0		32.0	24.0	29.50	34.00	26.00
Tenn.		10.5	4/13.0	38.0		28.80	34.00	28.50
Ala.	22.0	9.0	4/13.5	37.0		28.50	26.50	28.50
Miss.		10.0	4/13.5	41.0		31.00	37.00	31.00
E. S. Cent.	22.0	9.7	13.5	38.0	24.0	29.50	34.10	28.00
Ark.	23.0	9.5	4/14.0	35.6		27.40	34.00	26.50
La.		8.0	14.0	36.0		26.40	33.00	26.00
Okla.		8.5	14.0	35.0	17.0	28.50	33.50	24.00
Texas	22.0	11.0	14.5	34.0	29.0	28.00	37.00	27.00
W. S. Cent.	22.2	9.8	14.1	35.0	28.7	28.10	34.60	26.00
Mont.				35.0	23.0	33.50	34.00	32.50
Idaho				34.0	22.0	31.00	31.00	28.00
Wyo.		5.5		37.0	27.0	27.40	27.00	28.00
Colo.	25.0			35.0	24.0	35.50	34.00	38.00
N. Mex.				37.0	25.0	40.50	41.00	35.00
Ariz.		4.5		29.0	21.0	36.70	37.00	33.00
Utah	22.0			27.0	21.0	35.70	36.50	30.50
Nev.				32.0	20.0	30.60	32.00	27.50
Mount.	24.0	4.6		33.0	23.8	34.10	34.30	32.90
Wash.	22.0	5.0	18.5	26.0	21.0	33.00	34.00	26.00
Oreg.	23.0	3.5	18.0	30.0	21.0	33.50	35.00	29.00
Calif.	25.0	3.5	17.5	28.3	26.0	36.50	37.50	29.50
Pac.	24.7	3.8	17.7	28.2	24.4	34.90	36.10	28.00
48 States	22.6	8.7	5/14.5	31.9	24.0	29.00	30.50	26.40
Alaska				90.0		85.00		
Hawaii		10.0	32.0	52.0				
U. S.	22.6	8.7	5/14.5	32.0	24.0	29.00	30.50	26.40

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/ Weight equivalent price. 5/ Includes data for some States not shown separately.

SEEDS: Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions,
March 15, 1972

State and division	Alfalfa	Red clover	Sweetclover	Timothy	Lespedeza
D o l l a r s					
N. Y.					
N. J.					
Pa.					
M. Atl.					
Ohio		24.00	8.00	6.50	
Ind.		26.50			12.00
Ill.		27.00			11.00
Mich.		24.00			
Wis.		27.00			
E. N. Cent.		25.80	8.00	6.50	11.50
Minn.		26.50	6.00	8.50	
Iowa		28.50		7.00	
Mo.		27.00		8.00	11.50
N. Dak.			7.00		
S. Dak.	23.00		6.50		
Nebr.	26.50		8.00		
Kans.	25.00	25.00	7.00		10.00
W. N. Cent.	25.20	27.20	6.77	8.40	10.80
Del.					
Md.					13.60
Va.					
W. Va.					
N. C.					20.40
S. C.					20.60
Ga.					26.00
Fla.					
S. Atl.					22.60
Ky.		30.00			15.80
Tenn.					19.10
Ala.					
Miss.					
E. S. Cent.		30.00			18.10
Ark.					20.00
La.					
Okla.	26.50				
Texas			14.00		
W. S. Cent.	26.50		14.00		20.00
Mont.	26.10				
Idaho	34.50	31.50			
Wyo.					
Colo.	25.00				
N. Mex.					
Ariz.					
Utah	32.00				
Nev.	36.00				
Mount.	33.40	31.50			
Wash.	36.00	30.00			
Oreg.	36.00	30.00			
Calif.	36.50				
Pac.	36.40	30.00			
U. S.	35.30	27.50	7.26	8.24	18.10

Potatoes: Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States, March 1972

State	Dollars	State	Dollars
Maine	1.85	North Carolina	
Massachusetts	2.20	Florida	4.10
Rhode Island	2.20	Alabama	
Connecticut	2.60	Texas	
New York-All	2.65	Montana	3.00
Long Island	2.30	Idaho	1.45
Upstate	3.00	Colorado	1.35
New Jersey		New Mexico	
Pennsylvania	2.70	Arizona	
Ohio	3.20	Utah	1.90
Indiana	2.40	Washington	1.55
Michigan	2.75	Oregon	1.50
Wisconsin	2.35	California-All	2.57
Minnesota	1.45	Winter 1972	2.80
North Dakota	1.25	Late Spring	
Nebraska	1.15	Early Summer	
		Late Summer	
Delaware		Fall 1971	2.50
Virginia		United States	1.78

Average prices per lb. received by growers for tobacco and peanuts, by types and areas, March 1971 and 1972

Area	Peanuts		Class	Tobacco		
	March 1971	March 1972		Type	March 1971	March 1972 1/
	Cents				Cents	
Virginia-Carolina						
Southeast	insufficient		Total Eastern District			
Southwest	Sales			22	46.8	48.0
United States			United States		46.8	48.0

1/ Prices by States are shown on page 10.

Milkfat in cream: Average price per lb. received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

State	Cents	State	Cents
Minnesota		Nebraska	62.0
Iowa	74.0	Kansas	69.0
Missouri	76.0	W. N. Cent.	69.7
North Dakota	70.0	Montana	68.0
South Dakota	70.0	United States	69.6

Citrus fruits: Average prices and equivalent returns per box received by growers, by utilization, March 1972

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	4.90	2.96	3.04	2.95	2.14	2.24	2.13
Other Early and Mids.	4.80	2.95	2.95	2.95	2.13	2.15	2.13
Valencias	4.90	2.97	3.05	2.95	2.16	2.25	2.13
Texas	4.60	2.45	2.57	2.30	2.00	2.12	1.85
Arizona	4.85	1.53	2.60	1.26	.58	1.65	.31
Navels and Misc.	4.80	1.40	2.55	.25	.45	1.60	-.70
Valencias	4.90	1.56	2.65	1.40	.61	1.70	.45
California	6.10	2.94	3.86	.26	1.98	2.90	-.70
Navels	6.10	2.94	3.86	.26	1.98	2.90	-.70
Valencias							
California-Arizona							
Navels and Misc.						2.88	
Valencias							
U. S.	5.41	2.91	3.25	2.84	2.10	2.45	2.01
GRAPEFRUIT:							
Florida	4.85	2.66	3.12	2.51	1.99	2.52	1.82
White Seedless	4.55	2.65	2.80	2.60	1.97	2.20	1.90
Pink Seedless	5.30	2.83	3.55	2.00	2.14	2.95	1.20
Other than Seedless	4.30	2.55	2.60	2.55	1.90	2.00	1.90
Texas	4.80	2.34	2.85	1.60	1.98	2.50	1.25
Arizona	4.15	1.45	2.40	.85	.85	1.80	.25
California	4.50	1.44	2.74	.84	.84	2.14	.24
Desert Valleys	4.50	1.44	2.74	.84	.84	2.14	.24
Other Areas							
California-Arizona							
Desert Valleys						2.03	
U. S.	4.83	2.58	3.03	2.40	1.96	2.50	1.73
LEMONS:							
Arizona							
California	10.10	5.18	7.48	1.86	3.92	6.22	.60
U. S.	10.10	5.18	7.48	1.86	3.92	6.22	.60
TANGELOS:							
Florida							
TEMPLES:							
Florida	5.50	2.22	3.40	1.90	1.27	2.60	.90
TANGERINES:							
Florida							
Arizona	8.55	4.66	6.55	.50	3.61	5.50	-.55
California	7.90	3.25	5.88	.50	2.19	4.82	-.56
U. S.	8.24	3.89	6.23	.50	2.84	5.18	-.56

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

Local market commodity-feed price ratios, United States
March 15, 1972 with comparisons

Commodity-feed Price Ratio	March	March	February	March
	15,	15,	15,	15,
	1970	1971	1972	1972
Hog-corn: Bushels of corn equal in value to 100-lbs. of hog, liveweight United States	22.7	11.8	23.6	21.2
North Central States	23.2	12.1	23.9	21.4
Egg-feed: Pounds of laying feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs	10.1	7.2	6.9	7.6
Broiler-feed: Pounds of broiler grower equal in value to 1 lb. broiler liveweight 1/	3.1	2.7	3.1	3.1
Turkey-feed: Pounds of turkey grower equal in value to 1 lb. turkey, liveweight	5.6	4.3	4.8	4.9
Milk-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. whole milk 1/	1.73	1.65	1.84	2/1.81

1/ Broiler and milk-feed price ratios are computed using monthly averages for broilers and milk. 2/ Preliminary.

Milk-feed price ratios, milk prices, and ration values, by region and United States, March 1972 with comparisons 1/

Region	Milk-feed price ratio 2/		All milk price per cwt.			Ration value 3/			
	Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	Mar. 1972	Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	Mar. 1972	Mar. 1971	Feb. 1972	Mar. 1972
	Pounds		Dollars						
N. Atl.	1.56	1.70	1.67	6.31	6.64	6.48	4.04	3.90	3.89
E. N. Cent.	1.67	1.86	1.84	5.62	5.80	5.79	3.37	3.11	3.15
W. N. Cent.	1.68	1.97	1.95	5.12	5.34	5.31	3.05	2.71	2.73
S. Atl.	1.77	2.05	2.01	7.00	7.27	7.18	3.96	3.54	3.58
S. Cent.	1.72	1.92	1.89	6.34	6.67	6.54	3.69	3.48	3.46
West.	1.65	1.70	1.67	5.65	5.94	5.82	3.42	3.50	3.49
U. S.	1.65	1.84	1.81	5.83	6.10	6.02	3.53	3.31	3.33

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.

Parity price equivalent for manufacturing milk 1/, United States
March 1972, with comparisons

	March 1971	February 1972	March 1972
Parity equivalent Dol. per cwt.	5.79	6.21	6.21
Average price-f.o.b. plants Dol. per cwt.	4.86	5.06	2/ 5.08
Average fat test of milk Percent	3.66	3.71	2/ 3.68

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 1972 is 80.6 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, which compares with 80.3 percent in 1971. For additional details see Supplement No. 1 to the January 1972 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES.

2/ Preliminary.

**Feed: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,
March 15, 1972, with comparisons**

Commodity and unit	1971			1972		
	Jan. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15	Jan. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15
	D o l l a r s					
Alfalfa hay, baled, per ton	36.5	37.3	38.0	40.0	41.4	41.1
Other hay, baled, per ton	35.0	35.4	35.5	36.9	36.8	36.9
Cottonseed meal, 41 pct., 100 lb.	5.56	5.58	5.55	5.54	5.59	5.63
Soybean meal, 44 pct., 100 lb.	5.74	5.69	5.67	5.74	5.79	5.94
Bran, per 100 lb.	4.08	4.09	4.11	4.03	3.98	4.00
Middlings, per 100 lb.	4.20	4.15	4.18	4.08	4.01	4.06
Corn meal, per 100 lb.	3.79	3.82	3.82	3.52	3.48	3.52
Laying feed, per ton	88	88	88	84	84	84
Broiler grower feed, per ton	99	98	100	96	94	95
Turkey grower, per ton	98	98	99	93	93	93
Chick starter feed, per ton	103	102	103	100	99	100
Dairy feed						
14 pct. protein, per ton	73	72	72	73	73	72
16 pct. protein, per ton	81	80	80	78	77	78
18 pct. protein, per ton	84	83	83	81	80	81
20 pct. protein, per ton	87	86	87	84	83	84
32 pct. protein, per ton	110	108	109	109	109	112
40 pct. and over, per ton	120	118	120	119	119	121
Hog feed, 14-18 pct., 100 lb.	4.83	4.78	4.78	4.63	4.60	4.66
Hog feed, over 29 pct., 100 lb.	6.79	6.74	6.77	6.84	6.86	7.05
Cattle feed, 30% and over, 100 lb.	5.01	4.96	5.00	4.95	4.95	5.00
Stock salt, per 100 lb.			1.97			2.06
INDEX NUMBERS (1967=100)						
Feed, prices paid by farmers	108	108	108	104	103	104

**Livestock: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,
March 15, 1972, with comparisons**

Commodity and unit	1971			1972		
	Jan. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15	Jan. : 15	Feb. : 15	Mar. : 15
Feeders and stockers:						
Cattle and calves, 100 lb.	Dol. : 29.4	32.0	31.5	35.5	36.9	36.6
Lambs, per 100 lb.	" : 22.2	23.6	23.7	27.3	29.1	28.2
Pigs, per 100 lb. 1/	" : 22.9	28.5	31.0	43.7	47.6	50.6
Baby Chicks, per 100	" : 11.0	11.5	11.7	11.1	11.0	11.4
Turkey poults, each	Ct. : 55.2	55.8	56.1	57.0	57.3	57.6
INDEX NUMBERS (1967=100)						
All livestock	115	124	123	137	142	142

1/ Based on data derived from reports from farmers in 27 States on prices paid for feeder pigs weighing 40-60 lbs.

Feed: Average price per 100 pounds paid by farmers, by States
and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

State and division	Bran	Middlings	Cottonseed meal, 41% protein	Soybean meal, 44% protein	Corn meal
Dollars					
Maine	4.60	4.50			4.20
N. H.	4.50			6.30	4.30
Vt.	4.50	4.60		6.30	4.30
Mass.	4.60	4.60		6.30	4.40
R. I.	4.70	4.60			4.50
Conn.	4.70				4.40
N. Eng.	4.60	4.59		6.30	4.35
N. Y.	3.95	4.10	6.00	6.00	3.65
N. J.	4.65		6.70	6.40	4.30
Pa.	4.05	4.15	6.00	6.10	3.65
M. Atl.	4.07	4.11	6.05	6.11	3.72
Ohio	4.20	4.25	6.30	6.30	3.20
Ind.	4.45	4.45	6.20	6.30	2.55
Ill.	4.20	4.20	6.00	6.00	2.70
Mich.	4.40	4.40	6.40	6.20	3.10
Wis.	3.75	3.90	5.80	5.80	2.80
E. N. Cent.	4.02	4.23	6.19	6.08	2.86
Minn.	3.80	3.75	5.80	5.60	2.65
Iowa	4.10	4.10	5.80	5.90	2.55
Mo.	3.50	3.50	5.30	5.70	2.85
N. Dak.	3.75	3.70		5.80	3.95
S. Dak.	4.10	4.30		5.80	2.95
Nebr.	3.95	3.75	5.80	5.90	2.90
Kans.	3.30	3.30	5.40	5.50	3.05
W. N. Cent.	3.67	3.82	5.54	5.70	2.82
Del.	4.15			6.00	4.00
Md.	4.25	4.30	5.70	5.90	3.70
Va.	4.35	4.55	5.60	6.40	3.80
W. Va.	4.50	4.80	5.60	6.30	3.90
N. C.	4.10	4.25	5.50	6.10	3.60
S. C.	4.35	4.40	5.40	5.90	3.90
Ga.	4.35	4.35	5.30	6.00	3.60
Fla.	4.55	4.60	5.60	5.80	3.75
S. Atl.	4.29	4.46	5.56	6.10	3.76
Ky.	4.10	4.20	5.60	6.00	3.05
Tenn.	3.75	3.85	5.20	5.70	3.85
Ala.	4.20	4.35	5.00	5.70	3.50
Miss.	4.15	4.20	4.80	5.20	3.60
E. S. Cent.	3.98	4.14	5.15	5.74	3.46
Ark.	3.50	3.60	4.80	5.50	3.40
La.	3.75	4.25	5.40	5.40	3.95
Okla.	3.50	3.55	5.10	5.70	3.65
Texas	3.80	3.90	5.10	5.60	3.85
W. S. Cent.	3.68	3.78	5.07	5.58	3.77
Mont.	3.45	3.30	5.90	6.10	3.80
Idaho	3.55	3.65	6.60	7.10	4.00
Wyo.	3.80	3.85	6.30	6.20	3.85
Colo.	3.75	3.95	5.60	5.80	3.40
N. Mex.	4.15	4.25	5.20	6.20	4.00
Ariz.	5.10		3.40	6.70	
Utah	3.45	3.55	5.90	6.50	3.80
Nev.	4.55	4.55	6.30	6.50	4.90
Mount.	3.95	3.71	5.76	6.22	3.68
Wash.	4.25	4.25	6.70	7.00	4.50
Oreg.	4.00	4.30	6.20	7.10	4.00
Calif.	4.40	4.65	5.70	6.50	4.60
Pac.	4.30	4.38	6.10	6.90	4.51
U. S.	4.00	4.06	5.63	5.94	3.52

Feed: Average price per 100 pounds paid by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

State and division	Beef cattle	Hog feed		Hominy	Tankage	Stock	Oyster
	concentrate: 30% and over: protein	14-18% protein	Over 29% protein	feed		salt	shells
	Dollars						
Maine		5.00		4.30		3.00	2.60
N. H.		5.00		4.30		2.90	2.60
Vt.		5.20		4.30		2.80	2.70
Mass.		5.10		4.30		3.00	2.50
R. I.				4.30			2.60
Conn.		5.10		4.30		3.00	2.60
N. Eng.		5.09		4.30		2.92	2.61
N. Y.	5.30	4.70	7.20	3.55		2.25	2.50
N. J.	5.50	4.95				3.05	2.30
Pa.	5.50	4.65	7.10	3.50	6.60	2.45	2.20
M. Atl.	5.44	4.71	7.13	3.54		2.36	2.40
Ohio	6.10	4.70	7.30	3.45	7.60	2.50	2.60
Ind.	6.00	4.90	7.60	3.60	7.60	2.60	2.45
Ill.	5.50	5.40	7.20	3.20	7.00	2.30	2.40
Mich.	5.80	4.35	7.30		7.20	2.40	2.80
Wis.	6.00	4.80	7.40	2.65	7.50	2.40	2.35
E. N. Cent.	5.75	4.81	7.35	3.34	7.40	2.42	2.47
Minn.	5.30	4.80	7.00		6.90	2.10	2.35
Iowa	5.60	5.20	7.20		7.10	2.20	2.30
Mo.	4.85	4.25	6.90		7.00	1.75	2.30
N. Dak.	4.35	4.10	7.00			2.00	2.50
S. Dak.	4.90	4.60	7.30			1.80	2.20
Nebr.	4.90	4.85	7.00		6.90	2.00	2.25
Kans.	4.65	4.45	6.30	3.70	6.70	1.40	
W. N. Cent.	5.01	4.62	6.95		6.99	1.91	2.03
Del.		4.40	6.90			2.90	2.20
Md.	6.10	4.65	6.70		6.50	2.80	2.05
Va.	5.50	4.65	6.70			2.50	2.35
W. Va.		4.85	7.10	3.60	6.50	2.90	2.55
N. C.	5.80	4.50	6.80			3.05	2.35
S. C.	5.40	4.65	6.80			2.90	2.55
Ga.	5.40	4.35	6.40			2.15	2.25
Fla.	5.40	5.00	6.60			2.25	1.45
S. Atl.	5.49	4.58	6.70		6.50	2.60	2.21
Ky.	5.40	4.75	6.70	3.60	7.20	2.40	2.75
Tenn.	4.75	4.40	6.60	3.20	6.60	2.25	2.35
Ala.	5.10	4.55	6.30			2.20	2.05
Miss.	5.00	4.30	6.20			1.85	2.60
E. S. Cent.	5.02	4.48	6.47	3.47	6.93	2.19	2.47
Ark.	4.45	4.20	5.90			1.60	2.60
La.	5.10	4.70	6.40			1.65	2.90
Okla.	4.70	4.35	6.70			1.60	2.40
Texas	4.70	4.55	6.70			1.75	2.50
W. S. Cent.	4.69	4.48	6.46			1.70	2.51
Mont.	4.80	4.40				1.95	3.05
Idaho	4.80	4.35				2.05	3.35
Wyo.	5.00					1.85	3.20
Colo.	4.65	4.70	7.00			1.65	2.50
N. Mex.	4.85					1.60	3.30
Ariz.	4.30					1.80	3.60
Utah	4.50	4.10				1.55	2.70
Nev.	4.90					2.50	3.45
Mount.	4.74	4.28				1.81	3.07
Wash.	4.40	4.25				2.65	3.50
Oreg.	5.70	4.40				2.50	3.25
Calif.	4.95	4.70	7.50			2.00	2.20
Pac.	5.05	4.52				2.25	3.01
Hawaii						3.40	3.20
U. S.	5.00	4.66	7.05	3.65	7.12	2.06	2.42

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers, by States and geographic divisions,
March 15, 1972

State and division	Dairy feed, percent protein					
	14	16	18	20	32	40 and over
	D o l l a r s					
Maine	80	79	82	79		
N. H.		78	82	80		
Vt.	77	78	81	76		
Mass.		77	79	78		
R. I.		76	79	75		
Conn.		76	79	76		
N. Eng.	77	78	80	77		
N. Y.	81	79	81	83	96	102
N. J.	90	86	87	88	109	120
Pa.	88	83	85	89	112	118
M. Atl.	83	80	82	85	108	114
Ohio	79	88	91	96	123	133
Ind.	78	82	85		116	119
Ill.	84	86	103	108	120	123
Mich.	81	81	90	91	124	126
Wis.	73	74	84	90	114	124
E. N. Cent.	76	81	88	92	117	125
Minn.	66	67	78	86	109	120
Iowa	77	77		103	120	125
Mo.	70	73	71	76	102	112
N. Dak.	60	69			103	125
S. Dak.	74	77			115	120
Nebr.	72	76			112	122
Kans.	73	76		83		115
W. N. Cent.	73	71	75	85	112	119
Del.		78	82		111	
Md.	75	76	82	86	114	121
Va.	86	88	89	90	105	126
W. Va.		87	89	90		
N. C.	78	79	82	86	107	124
S. C.		78	81	85	90	
Ge.	78	84	86	91	105	115
Fla.	69	74	80	87		105
S. Atl.	73	81	83	87	108	122
Ky.	73	77	83	91	109	118
Tenn.	68	76	79	80	106	111
Ala.		78	79	81	92	99
Miss.	68	70	73	78		
E. S. Cent.	72	75	77	79	98	111
Ark.	70	73				
La.		75	79	81		
Okla.	69	72	74	78		112
Texas	77	80	82		94	102
W. S. Cent.	71	76	79	81		103
Mont.	65	68				
Idaho	69	79			105	
Wyo.	84				110	118
Colo.	81	84			106	115
N. Mex.	79	81				100
Ariz.	72	77				120
Utah	75					
Nev.	71	75				
Mount.	74	78			108	110
Wash.	72	73				
Oreg.	73	72				
Calif.	70	75	77			
Pac.	71	75				
Hawaii		106		109		
U. S.	72	78	81	84	112	121

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers for poultry feed, and poultry feed price ratios, by States and geographic divisions, March 15, 1972

State and division	Poultry feed, per ton				Poultry price ratios 1/		
	Chick starter	Laying feed	Broiler grower	Turkey grower	Egg-feed	Broiler-feed	Turkey-feed
	D o l l a r s				P o u n d s		
Maine	93	77	97		11.2	3.5	
N. H.	93	80			11.8		
Vt.	93	82			10.5		
Mass.	93	83			10.8		
R. I.	93	80			12.8		
Conn.	93	79	99		13.4	3.4	
N. Eng.	93	79	97		11.7	3.5	
N. Y.	95	82	100	109	8.5		
N. J.	98	84	98	104	8.8		
Pa.	103	90	100	103	6.7	3.4	5.0
M. Atl.	100	87	100	103	7.5		
Ohio	103	87	101	97	6.6	2.9	4.9
Ind.	101	81	93	91	7.7	3.1	5.3
Ill.	115	101	105	111	5.3		4.5
Mich.	107	85	101	115	6.8		4.0
Wis.	107	87	106	107	6.2	3.0	4.1
E. N. Cent.	106	88	101	100	6.6	3.0	4.7
Minn.	110	88	90	86	4.7		4.9
Iowa	112	90	94	91	5.8		4.2
Mo.	105	82	100	101	5.9	2.9	4.2
N. Dak.	111	96		83	4.4		
S. Dak.	110	81		105	4.6		3.8
Nebr.	104	90		104	4.4		3.7
Kans.	99	87			5.3		
W. N. Cent.	107	87	97	92	5.2		4.5
Del.	108	89	106	107	12.1	3.0	
Md.	110	92	108	109	10.4	3.0	
Va.	95	84	97	95	9.7	3.2	4.8
W. Va.	101	95	100	111	8.0	2.7	3.8
N. C.	96	85	91	90	8.7	3.0	4.9
S. C.	94	85	99	99	7.3	2.7	4.2
Ga.	95	78	88	100	9.5	3.1	5.0
Fla.	102	91	99	105	5.4	2.7	
S. Atl.	99	84	95	94	8.3	3.0	4.8
Ky.	113	95			6.7		
Tenn.	107	90	95		8.4	2.7	
Ala.	92	84	93	101	8.8	2.9	4.4
Miss.	95	91	91		9.0	3.0	
E. S. Cent.	98	88	92		8.6	2.9	
Ark.	98	73	98	86	9.8	2.9	5.3
La.	92	81	91		8.9	3.1	
Okla.	97	87	100	100	8.0	2.8	
Texas	97	87	95	85	7.8	3.1	5.2
W. S. Cent.	97	80	97	87	8.8	2.9	
Mont.	115	99		122	7.1		
Idaho	100	84		105	8.1		
Wyo.	118	104			7.1		
Colo.	113	102		121	6.9		4.1
N. Mex.	105	94			7.9		
Ariz.	105	85			6.8		
Utah	104	87		102	6.2		4.3
Nev.		110		125	5.8		
Mount.	109	93		111	7.1		4.3
Wash.	96	85	99	98	6.1	3.7	4.5
Oreg.	102	83	100	92	7.2	3.6	5.0
Calif.	93	77	93	88	7.4	3.8	5.7
Pac.	94	78	95	89	7.2	3.7	5.6
Hawaii	131	113	142		9.2	4.5	
U. S.	100	84	95	93	7.6	3.1	4.9

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 turkey grower equal in value to one pound of turkey live weight.

Support Price Announcements for Agricultural Products
February 26-March 29, 1972

Extra Long Staple Cotton-1972 Crop: The national average loan rate for 1972-crop extra long staple cotton is 38.50 cents per pound and the payment rate is 12.85 cents per pound. The total rate of 51.35 cents compares with 51.09 cents per pound for the 1971 crop.

USDA 741-72, issued 2/29/72

Dry Edible Beans-1972 Crop: The national average loan and purchase rate for 1972-crop dry edible beans is \$6.40 per hundredweight, unchanged from the 1971 crop.

USDA 742-72, issued 2/29/72

Dairy Products-1972 Marketing Year: The support level for manufacturing milk will be continued at \$4.93 per hundredweight for the marketing year beginning April 1, 1972.

USDA 854-72, issued 3/9/72

Honey-1972 Crop: Loan and purchase rates for the 1972 crop of honey will average 14 cents per pound, the same as in 1971.

USDA 932-72, issued 3/15/72

Wool and Mohair: Annual average prices received by farmers,
United States, 1971

	:	Cents per pound
Wool	:	19.4
	:	
Mohair	:	30.1
	:	

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