

# agricultural prices



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## PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UP 7 POINTS PRICES PAID INDEX UP 1 POINT

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers increased 7 points (4 percent) to 185 percent of its January-December 1967 average during the month ended October 15, 1974, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Contributing most to the increase were higher prices for Upland cotton, hogs, wheat, soybeans, milk and corn. Lower prices for cattle, calves, and potatoes were partially offsetting. The index was 1 point (1/2 percent) above a year earlier.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for October 15, at 176, was up 1 point (1/2 percent) from mid-September. The increase in farm wage rates and livestock feed prices were largely offset by lower prices for gasoline, feeder cattle, and lumber. The index was 25 points (17 percent) above October 1973.

SUMMARY TABLE

Index 1967=100	: Sep. 15, : 1973	: Oct. 15, : 1973	: Sep. 15, : 1974	: Oct. 15, : 1974
Prices Received	: 191	: 184	: 178	: 185
Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates	: 150	: 151	: 175	: 176
Ratio <u>1/</u>	: 127	: 122	: 102	: 105

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 Index of Prices Received by Farmers increased 7 points (4 percent) during the month ended October 15 to 185 percent of its 1967 average. Of the subgroups shown on page 7, the following contributed most to the net change.

COTTON: The index of prices received by farmers for cotton increased 32 points (16 percent) to 228 (1967=100) during the month ended October 15. Upland cotton prices increased 7.3 cents per pound during the month to 51.5 cents compared to 38.0 cents a year ago. The increase in Upland cotton prices was due primarily to new crop cotton delivered under forward contracts at higher prices than the current market level. Compared with a year earlier the index was up 59 points (35 percent).

FOOD GRAINS: The index of prices received by farmers for food grains advanced 31 points (11 percent) to 308 during the month ended October 15. Wheat, at \$4.85 per bushel, was up 53 cents from mid-September and was 63 cents above a year earlier. Rye, at \$2.70, was 4 cents above the previous month and 56 cents above October 1973. Rice increased 40 cents during the month to \$10.25 per cwt but was down \$4.45 from a year earlier. The index was 22 points (8 percent) above a year ago.

OIL-BEARING CROPS: The prices received index for oil-bearing crops advanced 30 points (12 percent) to 284 during the month ending October 15. Soybeans at \$8.17 per bushel were up 85 cents from the previous month and were \$2.54 above a year earlier. Flaxseed prices increased 73 cents during the month to \$10.50 and were \$2.84 above a year ago. Cottonseed and peanuts set new record high levels for the third consecutive month. Cottonseed at \$136.00 was \$24.00 per ton above September and \$33.00 above a year earlier. Peanuts, at 18.1 cents per pound, were up .2 cent from the previous month and 1.7 cents above October 1973. Compared with a year earlier the index was up 81 points (40 percent).

FEED GRAINS AND HAY: The index of prices received by farmers for feed grains and hay increased 14 points (5 percent) to 282 during the month ended October 15. Record high prices were received for each of the feed grains - corn, oats, barley, and grain sorghum. Corn, at \$3.45 per bushel was up 15 cents from last month and \$1.28 above a year earlier. Oats increased 11 cents from last month and barley was up 25 cents. Grain sorghum jumped 48 cents to \$5.78 per cwt, up \$2.13 from a year earlier. Hay, at \$51.50 per ton, was off 40 cents from last month but \$5.30 above last year. The October index was 92 points (48 percent) higher than a year earlier.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: The dairy products index increased 6 points (4 percent) during the month to 158. Virtually all the index increase was due to higher prices received for milk sold to plants although milkfat in cream prices also averaged higher. All milk sold to plants averaged \$8.21 per cwt, up 21 cents from a month earlier but 11 cents below a year earlier. Prices for fluid grade milk averaged \$8.55 while manufacturing grade milk brought \$6.92. Farmers received 62.7 cents per pound for milkfat in cream, .7 cent above the September price. The index was down 3 points (2 percent) from a year ago.

MEAT ANIMALS: The index of prices received for meat animals dropped 2 points (1 percent) to 151 during the month. Lower beef cattle prices accounted for most of the decline and more than offset higher hog prices. The all beef cattle price averaged \$30.50 per cwt, a \$2.30 decrease from a month ago. Steers and heifers were also down \$2.30 at \$33.20 while cows, at \$19.00, were off \$2.80. Calf prices dropped \$2.40 to average \$27.50. Hog prices increased \$3.50 during the month to \$37.10. Lamb prices increased 40 cents to \$33.10 but sheep prices were down \$1.36 at \$8.20. Compared with a year earlier the index was down 49 points (24 percent).

### PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The index of prices paid by farmers for commodities and services for October 15 was 175 percent of its 1967 average, unchanged from mid-September. Although both the production and family living indexes were slightly higher, the increase was not sufficient to increase the prices paid index a point.

### PRODUCTION INDEX HIGHER

The mid-October index of prices paid by farmers for production goods was up 1 point (1/2 percent) from a month earlier. Prices of index items were mixed. Major changes were higher prices for livestock feeds and lower prices for gasoline, feeder cattle, and lumber. Compared with a year earlier, the index was up 30 points (20 percent).

FEED: The October 15 index of prices paid by farmers for feed, at 211, was 3 percent above the previous month. Prices for all index items surveyed increased. Feed grains along with mixed poultry and hog feeds contributed most to the index rise. Compared with a year earlier, the feed index was up 20 percent.

MOTOR SUPPLIES: Prices paid by farmers for motor supplies at mid-October averaged 1 percent lower than a month earlier. Lower prices for gasoline were largely responsible for the decrease. Motor supply prices averaged 35 percent above a year earlier.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The feeder livestock index, at 119, decreased 2 percent from mid-September. Lower prices for feeder cattle and calves more than offset price increases for feeder lambs and pigs. The index was 37 percent below mid-October a year ago.

### FAMILY LIVING INDEX RISES

At 167, the index of prices paid by farmers for family living items was up 1 point (1/2 percent) from a month earlier. Prices averaged lower for the auto and auto supplies and the home building materials components of the index but prices averaged higher for all other components. The index was 24 points (17 percent) above October 1973.

FOOD AND TOBACCO: Mid-October prices paid for food and tobacco averaged 1/2 percent above the previous month. Price increases were shown for most items surveyed. Vegetables and sweets had the sharpest increases. Meat and some fruit prices were lower. Prices averaged 15 percent above October 1973.

CLOTHING AND TEXTILES: Prices paid by farmers for clothing and textiles in mid-October averaged 1 percent more than a month earlier. Prices for about one-half of the items surveyed were higher. The sharpest advances were for cotton goods and footwear. Clothing and textile prices averaged 19 percent above a year earlier.

BUILDING MATERIALS, HOUSE: The prices farmers paid for building materials used in the home decreased 1/2 percent from mid-September. Lower lumber prices, particularly framing lumber, more than offset higher prices for household equipment, metal products and paints. The October 15 prices averaged 12 percent above a year earlier.

Average prices received by farmers for farm products, United States, October 15, 1974  
with comparisons

Commodity and unit	Average		OCT	AUG	SEP	OCT
	JAN 1910	JAN 1967	15, 1973	15, 1974	15, 1974	15, 1974
	DEC 1914	DEC 1967	DEC 1973	DEC 1974	DEC 1974	DEC 1974
All wheat, per bu.	Dol.: .880	1.47	4.22	4.24	4.32	4.85
Rye, per bu.	" : .725	1.05	2.14	2.54	2.66	2.70
Rice, (rough), per cwt.	" : 1.81	5.05	14.70	9.67	9.85	10.25
Corn, per bu.	" : .649	1.17	2.17	3.37	3.30	3.45
Oats, per bu.	" : .399	.668	1.14	1.55	1.57	1.68
Barley, per bu.	" : .617	1.02	2.23	2.78	2.86	3.11
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" : --	1.88	3.65	5.07	5.30	5.78
All hay, baled, per ton	" : 11.90	23.50	46.20	51.10	51.90	51.50
Cotton, American upland, per lb.	Ct. : 1/11.92	22.54	38.0	44.9	44.2	51.5
Cotton, American-Pima, per lb.	" : --	49.5	110.0	--	--	--
Peanuts, per lb.	" : 4.83	11.4	16.4	17.7	17.9	18.1
Cottonseed, per ton	Dol.: 21.80	58.00	103.00	105.00	112.00	136.00
Soybeans, per bu	" : --	2.62	5.63	7.55	7.32	8.17
Flaxseed, per bu	" : 1.68	2.89	7.66	10.80	9.77	10.50
Potatoes, per cwt. 2/	" : 1.13	2.02	2.68	4.97	4.15	3.90
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" : 1.61	5.65	5.65	7.85	7.35	6.85
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	" : 3.39	7.99	22.60	28.30	*21.40	23.10
Dry field peas (open mkt.), per cwt.	" : --	4.64	24.00	15.70	13.10	11.30
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 2/ 3/	Ct. : --	6.65	10.4	11.2	12.3	11.4
Peaches, for fresh use, per lb. 2/	" : --	9.20	14.0	16.0	15.4	15.4
Strawberries, for fresh use, per lb. 2/	" : --	28.3	36.6	30.6	33.5	30.2
Pears, for fresh use, per ton 2/ 3/	Dol.: --	125.00	168.00	212.00	213.00	192.00
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box 2/	" : --	--	--	--	--	--
Grapefruit	" : --	1.38	1.98	2.29	1.47	2.40
Lemons	" : --	2.45	5.73	7.05	4.80	4.97
Oranges	" : --	1.58	2.05	2.16	2.25	2.86
Tangelos	" : --	2.49	2.54	--	--	--
Tangerines	" : --	2.66	6.96	--	--	7.33
Temples	" : --	1.62	--	--	--	--
All beef cattle, per cwt.	Dol.: 5.52	22.20	42.70	36.60	32.80	30.50
Cows, per cwt.	" : --	16.50	33.30	24.00	21.80	19.00
Steers and heifers, per cwt.	" : --	24.00	44.70	40.30	35.50	33.20
Calves, per cwt.	" : 6.84	26.40	57.70	34.30	29.90	27.50
Hogs, per cwt.	" : 7.29	19.00	40.90	36.10	33.60	37.10
Lambs, per cwt.	" : 5.96	22.20	32.50	38.00	32.70	33.10
Sheep, per cwt.	" : 4.59	6.38	13.30	10.60	9.56	8.20
All milk, sold to plants, per cwt. 2/	Dol.: 1.61	5.03	8.32	7.65	8.00	4/8.21
Milk eligible for fluid market	" : --	5.44	8.55	8.01	8.34	4/8.55
Milk of manufacturing grade	" : --	4.07	7.45	6.47	6.79	4/6.92
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. : 26.3	68.1	77.5	60.9	62.0	62.7
Chickens, excluding broilers, live, per lb.	" : --	7.9	19.3	8.4	9.2	9.6
Broilers, live, per lb. 2/	" : --	13.3	23.7	20.4	22.6	22.5
Eggs, per dozen 5/	" : 21.6	31.2	59.3	47.2	54.3	55.5
Turkeys, live, per lb.	" : 14.3	20.0	42.7	26.6	26.7	27.3
Wool, per lb. 2/ 6/	" : 17.8	39.7	74.3	57.7	58.4	57.9
Mohair (Texas only), per lb.	" : --	43.9	185	155	120	115
Adjusted for seasonal variation	" : --	--	--	--	--	--
All milk, sold to plants, per cwt. 2/	Dol.: --	5.04	7.83	7.73	7.69	4/7.75
Eggs, per dozen	Ct. : --	31.2	61.1	48.7	51.7	57.8

1/ All Cotton. 2/ Average for the month. 3/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and prices as sold for other States. 4/ Prices are preliminary. Fat test percent for all milk, 3.72; fluid market, 3.71; manufacturing grade, 3.77. 5/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers, including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail. 6/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. \* Correction.

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 3,865 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 1974 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 1973	SEP 1974	OCT 1974	OCT 1973	SEP 1974	OCT 1974
<b>Basic Commodities:</b>							
All wheat, per bu.	Dol. : .686	3.50	4.10	4.14	121	105	117
Rice, per cwt.	" : 4/2.03	9.61	12.00	12.20	--	--	--
Corn, per bu.	" : .455	2.35	2.72	2.74	92	121	126
Cotton, per lb.							
American upland	Ct. : 12.40	65.79	74.15	74.77	*58	60	69
Extra long staple	" : 4/19.0	93.5	114.0	115.0	--	--	--
Peanuts, per lb.	" : 4/4.25	22.6	25.4	25.6	73	70	71
Tobacco, per lb:							
Flue-cured, types 11-14	" : 4/23.9	127.0	143.0	144.0	*73	76	77
Va fire-cured, type 21	" : 4/17.1	87.4	102.0	103.0	--	--	--
Ky-Tenn fire-cured, types 22-23	" : 4/17.3	88.9	103.0	104.0	--	--	--
Burley, type 31	" : 4/24.6	130.0	147.0	148.0	--	--	--
Maryland, type 32	" : 5/22.4	119.0	134.0	135.0	--	--	--
Dark air-cured, types 35-36	" : 4/14.9	77.1	89.1	89.8	--	--	--
Sun-cured, type 37	" : 4/17.0	86.9	102.0	103.0	--	--	--
Pa seedleaf, type 41	" : 4/11.0	55.0	65.8	66.3	--	--	--
Cigar filler and binder, types 42-44, 53-55	" : 4/13.8	70.9	82.5	83.2	--	--	--
Puerto Rican filler, type 46	" : 4/15.2	80.2	90.9	91.7	--	--	--
Cigar binder, types 51-52	" : 4/19.8	105.0	118.0	119.0	--	--	--
<b>Designated Nonbasic Commodities:</b>							
Tung nuts, per ton	Dol. : 4/20.60	115.00	123.00	124.00	--	--	--
All milk, sold to plants, per cwt.	" : 1.80	9.41	10.80	10.90	6/*88	6/	6/71
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. : 22.5	122.0	135.0	136.0	*64	46	46
Honey, wholesale, per lb:							
Extracted	" : 7/6.49	30.7	38.8	39.1	--	--	--
<b>Wool and Mohair:</b>							
Wool, per lb.	Ct. : 4/23.1	124.0	138.0	139.0	8/*60	8/42	8/42
Mohair, per lb.	" : 4/30.2	149.0	181.0	182.0	--	--	--
<b>Other Nonbasic Commodities:</b>							
Barley, per bu.	Dol. : .371	1.87	2.22	2.24	119	129	139
Cottonseed, per ton	" : 4/19.00	96.10	114.00	115.00	107	98	118
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	" : 3.18	15.70	19.00	19.20	144	113	120
Flaxseed, per bu.	" : 1.02	5.05	6.10	6.15	152	160	171
Oats, per bu.	" : .220	1.16	1.32	1.33	98	119	126
Potatoes, per cwt.	" : 4/.886	4.31	5.30	5.34	*62	78	73
Rye, per bu.	" : .344	1.81	2.06	2.07	118	129	130
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" : .776	3.96	4.64	4.68	92	114	124
Soybeans, per bu.	" : 1.03	4.98	6.16	6.21	113	119	132
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" : 2.05	10.50	12.30	12.40	*54	60	55
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 9/Ct.	" : 2.38	12.2	14.2	14.4	*85	87	79
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box:							
Grapefruit	Dol. : 4/.535	3.09	3.20	3.23	*64	46	74
Lemons	" : 4/1.04	5.24	6.22	6.27	109	77	79
Limes	" : 4/1.26	6.84	7.53	7.60	--	--	--
Oranges	" : 4/.599	3.72	3.58	3.61	*55	63	79
Tangerines	" : 4/.903	4.98	5.40	5.45	140	114	134
Temples	" : 4/.635	4.09	3.80	3.83	--	--	--
Beef cattle, per cwt.	" : 8.86	44.60	53.00	53.40	96	62	57
Calves, per cwt.	" : 10.90	54.00	65.20	65.70	*107	46	42
Hogs, per cwt.	" : 7.49	37.00	44.80	45.20	*111	75	82
Lambs, per cwt.	" : 8.83	45.60	52.80	53.20	*71	62	62
Sheep, per cwt.	" : 2.49	12.50	14.90	15.00	*106	64	55
Eggs, per doz.	Ct. : 12.2	63.7	73.0	73.6	6/96	6/71	6/79
Turkeys, live, per lb.	" : 7.73	40.3	46.2	46.6	*106	58	59

See footnotes on page 6.

Parity prices based on data for October 1974, United States 1/

Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Adjusted base prices 4/	Parity prices based on data for Oct. 1974	Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Adjusted base prices 4/	Parity prices based on data for Oct. 1974
Dollars			Dollars		
Field Crops and Misc. Commodities			Noncitrus fruits:		
Crude pine gum, bbl.	2/12.90		Peaches		
Hops, lb.	.185	77.80	For fresh use, lb. 11/		
Tobacco, lb.:		1.12	Dried (Calif.), ton	.0277	.167
Cigar wrapper, type 61	1.22		For processing (excl. dried)	234.00	1,410.00
Cigar wrapper, type 62	.870		Clingstone (Calif.), ton 10/		
Noncitrus fruits:			Pears		
Apples, for processing, ton	19.10	7.36	For fresh use, ton 12/	26.90	162.00
Apricots, ton		5.25	Dried (Calif.), ton	43.50	262.00
For fresh use		115.00	Plums (Calif.), equiv. on-tree, ton	283.00	1,710.00
Dried (Calif.)			For fresh use		
Avocados, ton	75.60	456.00	Prunes, dried (Calif.), ton	51.50	311.00
Cherries, ton	371.00	2,240.00	Prunes and Plums (Excl. Calif.), ton	106.00	639.00
Sweet	145.00	874.00	For fresh use		
Tart			For processing (excl. dried)	60.50	365.00
Cranberries, bbl.	121.00	730.00	Tree Nuts, ton:	22.30	134.00
Dates (Calif.), ton	72.90	440.00	Almonds		
Grapes, ton	4.82	29.10	Filberts		
Raisin varieties	53.80	324.00	Walnuts		
Dried (Calif.)			Vegetables for fresh market, cwt.:		
Grapes excl. raisin varieties dried	111.00	669.00	Cantaloupes	2.09	12.60
Nectarines (Calif.), ton	30.90	186.00	Carrots 13/	1.43	8.62
For fresh use 10/			Cauliflower 13/	3.15	19.00
Olives (Calif.)	50.50	305.00	Celery 13/	1.74	10.50
For canning, ton 10/	110.00	663.00	Honeydew melons	2.07	12.50
			Lettuce	1.47	10.80
			Onions 13/	3.88	8.86
			Tomatoes		23.40

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 1964-December 1973 average (including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations) by dividing by 299 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 for the following calendar month indicated. These parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for otherwise noted. 3/ Parity prices for unredeemed loans, and other supplemental prices 1964-73 (including an allowance, where appropriate, for unredeemed loans, and other supplemental prices resulting from price support operations). 4/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 season average prices for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and price at point of first sale for other States. 5/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 weighted calendar year prices from State annual average prices weighted by production. 6/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price. 7/ Adjusted base price derived from State annual average prices for California, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Washington, and California. 8/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. 9/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for apples for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for fresh peaches in New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Washington, and California. 10/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point. 11/ Based on prices for fresh peaches and average price for all methods of sale for other States. 12/ Based on packinghouse-door returns for fresh pears for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for fresh pears for California, average prices as sold for fresh use for New York and Michigan, and average prices for all methods of sale for other States. 13/ Includes some processing. \* Revised.

Index numbers of Prices Received by Farmers, United States, October 15, 1974  
with comparisons

Index	1910-14=100					1967=100			
	Average	1973		1974		1973		1974	
	Jan.-Dec. 1967	SEP 15	OCT 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	SEP 15	OCT 15
<b>UNADJUSTED</b>									
All Farm Products	254	485	468	451	470	191	184	178	185
All Crops	226	411	408	477	516	182	180	211	228
Food grains	177	537	506	490	545	303	286	277	308
Feed grains and hay	174	325	331	467	490	187	190	268	282
Feed grains	174	325	327	479	507	187	188	275	291
Cotton	191	323	322	375	436	169	169	196	228
Tobacco	555	731	728	893	903	132	131	161	163
Oil-bearing crops	276	565	561	700	783	206	203	254	284
Fruit	244	349	377	370	391	143	155	152	160
Fresh market <u>1/</u>	242	350	383	378	403	145	158	156	166
Commercial vegetables	283	342	323	370	392	121	114	131	139
Fresh market	324	416	409	468	508	128	126	144	157
Potatoes, etc. <u>2/</u>	193	319	318	409	399	165	165	212	207
Livestock & products	277	548	521	427	430	198	188	154	155
Meat animals	336	726	671	513	508	216	200	153	151
Dairy products	306	467	493	466	484	153	161	152	158
Poultry & eggs	132	280	252	218	221	212	191	165	167
Wool	223	470	417	328	325	211	187	147	146
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED</b>									
Fresh market fruit <u>1/</u>	244	318	371	347	387	130	152	142	159
Fresh market vegetables	330	489	473	558	583	148	143	169	177
Potatoes, etc. <u>2/</u>	193	350	368	449	468	181	191	233	242
Dairy products	306	450	467	449	457	147	153	147	149
Poultry & eggs	132	275	261	213	231	208	198	161	175

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 points prices per cwt.  
United States, October 1-15, 1974, with comparisons

Commodity	Average	OCT	OCT	SEP	SEP	OCT
	Jan.-Dec. 1967	1-15, 1973	1-31, 1973, <u>1/</u>	1-15, 1974	1-30, 1974	1-15, 1974
D o l l a r s						
Asparagus	23.70	--	--	--	--	--
Broccoli	11.70	15.00	14.80	16.90	16.50	16.30
Cabbage	2.85	6.14	5.93	4.07	4.07	4.36
Cantaloupes	6.26	6.01	6.84	9.36	9.06	10.80
Carrots	5.74	7.59	7.27	8.81	9.02	9.17
Cauliflower	10.80	15.60	13.60	18.80	17.80	15.20
Celery	4.94	4.31	4.34	7.24	6.89	5.75
Cucumbers	7.74	11.50	11.90	8.52	9.94	12.70
Green peppers	12.20	12.90	14.10	12.90	15.20	13.40
Lettuce	5.19	4.37	4.36	5.79	6.31	8.80
Onions	4.37	6.06	5.97	6.59	6.31	5.42
Snap beans	11.70	15.40	15.40	17.70	18.30	24.10
Spinach	10.20	19.00	15.80	16.00	17.30	18.60
Sweet corn	5.68	8.88	7.86	6.75	6.90	7.47
Tomatoes	9.63	12.30	13.40	12.40	12.50	14.00
Watermelons	2.06	2.02	2.25	5.07	5.00	4.02

1/ Revised

Index numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates,  
and related data, United States, October 15, 1974, with comparisons

Indexes and ratios	1910-14=100					1967=100				
	1973		1974			1973		1974		
	SEP 15	OCT 15	AUG 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	AUG 15	SEP 15	OCT 15
<b>PRICES PAID BY FARMERS FOR</b>										
Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (Parity index 1910-14=100)	513	1/515	590	1/599	603	150	1/151	173	175	176
Prices Paid	447	447	518	1/528	530	148	148	172	175	175
Family living items	456	1/459	527	1/535	537	142	1/143	164	166	167
Food and tobacco	466			534		146			167	
Clothing	588			700		148			176	
Household operation	300			372		129			160	
Household furnishings	335			383		127			146	
Building materials, house	689			786		159			181	
Autos and auto supplies	459			551		133			159	
Production items	441	1/440	512	522	525	154	153	178	182	183
Feed	378	374	442	432	448	178	176	208	204	211
Feeder livestock	726	705	512	454	444	195	190	138	122	119
Motor supplies	221			306		122			169	
Motor vehicles 2/	679			790		136			159	
Farm Machinery	688			843		149			182	
Building & fencing materials	648			842		159			207	
Fertilizer 3/	179			325		117			212	
Farm supplies	334			436		122			159	
Seed 3/	466			557		197			236	
Interest 4/	854	1/854	974	974	974	179	1/179	204	204	204
Taxes 5/	1,382	1/1,382	1,451	1,451	1,451	156	1/156	164	164	164
Wage Rates 6/	1,320	1/1,364	1,467	1,467	1,521	156	161	173	173	180
<b>PARITY RATIO 7/</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>78</b>					
<b>ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (prelim.) 8/</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1/75</b>	<b>78</b>					
Production Items, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	554	1/555	635	644	650	156	156	178	181	183
Other Related Indexes										
Prices Received by Farmers						191	184	181	178	185
Wholesale prices: 9/										
All commodities						140	140	167	167	
Industrial commodities						128	130	162	163	
Consumers' prices (CPI) 9/						136	137	150	152	
Average hourly earnings, mfg. production workers 10/						146	146	156	159	

1/ Revised.

2/ Included autos, trucks, and tractors.

3/ April index used April-Aug.; Sept. index used Sept.-Mar.

4/ Interest payable per acre on farm real estate debt.

5/ Farm real estate taxes payable per acre.

6/ Seasonally adjusted. Annual average is simple average of quarterly indexes.

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 year and is 100.3 for 1974, compared with revised adjustment factor of 103.1 for 1973. 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, OCTOBER 15, 1974

STATE	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								
ALA	4.60	--	--	3.45	1.85	--	5.50	8.20
ARIZ	3.71	--	--	--	--	3.05	6.37	--
ARK	4.32	--	9.80	3.54	1.65	--	5.23	8.09
CALIF	4.48	--	--	3.90	2.18	3.27	6.60	--
COLO	4.22	2.60	--	3.35	1.95	3.00	5.43	--
DEL	3.72	3.47	--	3.53	--	2.37	--	8.02
GA	3.82	2.70	--	3.35	1.68	--	--	8.14
IDAHO	4.50	--	--	--	1.88	3.00	--	--
ILL	4.59	2.80	--	3.54	1.63	--	--	8.21
IND	4.56	2.55	--	3.44	1.79	--	--	8.21
IOWA	4.53	--	--	3.44	1.57	--	--	8.19
KANS	4.56	2.28	--	3.41	1.68	2.36	5.69	8.15
KY	4.33	2.88	--	3.37	1.88	2.10	--	8.21
LA	--	--	10.85	--	--	--	--	8.26
MO	3.72	3.47	--	3.53	1.76	2.37	--	8.02
MICH	4.42	2.58	--	3.41	1.75	--	--	8.13
MINN	5.01	2.69	--	3.34	1.65	3.41	--	8.15
MISS	4.58	--	10.45	3.60	1.82	--	5.54	8.20
MO	4.45	2.20	--	3.48	1.79	--	5.64	8.10
MONT	4.75	--	--	3.73	1.72	2.77	--	--
NEBR	4.38	2.62	--	3.35	1.61	--	5.62	7.94
NEV	4.08	--	--	--	--	2.95	--	--
N J	4.24	2.44	--	3.50	--	--	--	7.90
N MEX	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.97	--
N Y	3.89	2.20	--	3.64	1.71	--	--	--
N C	3.69	3.03	--	3.35	1.68	2.15	4.94	8.27
N DAK	5.54	2.70	--	3.31	1.57	3.35	--	8.07
OHIO	4.71	2.95	--	3.49	1.76	2.45	--	8.22
OKLA	4.69	2.51	--	3.65	1.74	2.41	5.60	7.95
GREG	4.94	3.55	--	--	1.92	3.14	--	--
PA	3.74	--	--	3.57	1.71	2.23	--	--
S C	4.04	3.71	--	3.32	--	--	--	8.15
S DAK	4.93	2.63	--	3.30	1.64	2.92	5.34	7.97
TENN	4.20	--	--	3.62	--	--	--	7.90
TEX	4.76	2.43	11.20	3.43	1.89	2.34	5.82	7.87
UTAH	4.36	--	--	--	--	3.04	--	--
VA	3.68	3.10	--	3.46	1.50	2.18	--	8.20
WASH	4.91	3.14	--	--	1.83	3.11	--	--
W VA	4.30	--	--	3.55	1.68	2.10	--	--
WIS	4.35	2.59	--	3.58	1.59	2.71	--	8.10
WYO	4.48	2.50	--	3.60	1.89	2.89	--	--
U S	4.85	2.70	10.25	3.45	1.68	3.11	5.78	8.17

STATE	WINTER WHEAT		SPRING WHEAT, OTHER THAN DURUM	
	OCTOBER 15, 1974		OCTOBER 15, 1974	
DOLLARS PER BUSHEL				
COLO	4.22		4.22	
IDAHO	4.55		4.40	
MINN	4.41		4.96	
MONT	4.53		5.04	
N DAK	4.52		5.04	
S DAK	4.61		5.03	

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, OCTOBER 15, 1974

STATE	AMERICAN	PEANUTS	TOBACCO	APPLES	COTTON	FLAX-	DRY	SWEET
	UPLAND COTTON PER LB. 1/1	PER LB. 2/	PER LB. 3/ 4/	FRESH USE PER LB. 4/ 5/1	SEED PER TON	SEED PER BU.	EDIBLE BEANS, PER CWT.	POTATOES PER CWT.
	CENTS				DOLLARS			
ALA	48.2	18.5	--	--	125.00	--	--	8.10
ARIZ	59.8	--	--	--	150.00	--	--	--
ARK	57.9	--	--	--	131.00	--	--	5.65
CALIF	59.1	--	--	11.0	160.00	--	25.20	8.05
COLO	--	--	--	16.5	--	--	31.00	--
CONN	--	--	--	14.5	--	--	--	--
FLA	--	18.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
GA	46.0	18.5	--	--	120.00	--	--	9.90
IDAHO	--	--	--	14.8	--	--	26.90	--
ILL	--	--	--	12.0	--	--	--	--
IND	--	--	--	13.0	--	--	--	--
KANS	--	--	--	--	--	--	28.80	--
KY	--	--	--	12.1	--	--	--	--
LA	46.8	--	--	--	124.00	--	--	5.40
MAINE	--	--	--	14.5	--	--	--	--
MD	--	--	--	12.2	--	--	--	7.15
MASS	--	--	--	14.5	--	--	--	--
MICH	--	--	--	9.3	--	--	18.00	--
MINN	--	--	--	--	--	10.50	--	--
MISS	50.8	--	--	--	133.00	--	--	7.70
MO	56.5	--	--	14.0	123.00	--	--	--
MONT	--	--	--	--	--	9.45	28.70	--
NEBR	--	--	--	--	--	--	23.00	--
N H	--	--	--	14.5	--	--	--	--
N J	--	--	--	10.6	--	--	--	10.50
N MEX	48.3	--	--	16.0	150.00	--	--	--
N Y	--	--	--	11.3	--	--	24.40	--
N C	48.8	18.0	111.5	8.6	137.00	--	--	7.00
N DAK	--	--	--	--	--	10.50	31.00	--
OHIO	--	--	--	10.4	--	--	--	--
OKLA	39.5	17.0	--	--	115.00	--	--	--
OREG	--	--	--	8.0	--	--	--	--
PA	--	--	--	11.9	--	--	--	--
S C	51.8	19.0	111.0	--	128.00	--	--	8.30
S DAK	--	--	--	--	--	10.50	--	--
TENN	54.1	--	--	--	128.00	--	--	8.05
TEX	38.0	17.1	--	--	120.00	--	--	10.00
UTAH	--	--	--	--	--	--	35.00	--
VT	--	--	--	14.5	--	--	--	--
VA	--	18.0	112.0	12.3	--	--	--	5.60
WASH	--	--	--	10.0	--	--	27.20	--
W VA	--	--	--	15.2	--	--	--	--
WIS	--	--	--	10.5	--	--	--	--
WYO	--	--	--	--	--	--	28.00	--
U S	51.5	18.1	111.5	11.4	136.00	10.50	* 23.10	6.85

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. \* CORRECTION: SEPTEMBER PRICE SHOULD HAVE BEEN \$21.40.

AVERAGE PRICES PER CWT. RECEIVED BY FARMERS. BY STATES, OCTOBER 15, 1974

STATE	HOGS	COWS 1/	STEERS AND HEIFERS	BEEF CATTLE 2/	CALVES	SHEEP	LAMBS
D O L L A R S							
ALA	36.70	16.50	23.20	21.00	22.20	--	--
ARIZ	40.70	17.10	35.90	34.80	25.50	7.50	31.50
ARK	36.50	18.10	30.50	26.50	27.40	--	--
CALIF	35.10	21.50	37.10	35.10	26.70	7.50	34.30
COLO	36.10	16.70	32.70	31.80	29.80	11.00	37.80
CONN	--	24.00	30.00	24.40	--	--	--
DEL	38.40	19.80	34.70	25.90	36.30	--	--
FLA	35.00	18.70	30.20	24.40	21.50	--	--
GA	35.30	18.90	28.40	24.00	26.60	--	--
HAW	55.50	25.00	37.50	35.00	--	--	--
IDAHO	36.60	19.10	31.60	30.40	27.70	11.00	33.50
ILL	37.60	21.30	38.40	36.30	37.00	10.80	32.00
IND	37.70	17.60	37.30	33.60	36.50	9.50	32.80
IOWA	37.20	20.30	37.20	35.70	29.60	6.10	34.50
KANS	36.80	18.40	30.40	28.60	26.40	6.80	29.90
KY	38.10	18.40	27.00	24.80	28.80	9.30	34.00
LA	33.70	18.20	25.30	21.60	27.90	--	--
MAINE	--	24.50	29.00	25.00	--	--	--
MD	38.40	19.80	34.70	25.90	36.30	--	--
MASS	--	24.50	29.00	25.00	--	--	--
MICH	38.80	21.70	40.00	31.60	34.30	7.60	33.00
MINN	37.10	20.50	35.30	29.20	28.50	7.60	31.60
MISS	36.50	17.20	26.50	22.20	23.60	--	--
MO	37.30	18.20	29.90	28.20	27.80	6.50	34.60
MONT	34.90	18.70	29.20	27.60	27.50	9.90	31.40
NEBR	37.00	19.80	34.50	32.50	27.90	6.50	34.80
NEV	--	18.50	32.00	29.40	25.00	12.00	34.50
N H	--	24.00	29.00	24.50	--	--	--
N J	37.00	23.10	36.90	25.30	43.40	--	--
N MEX	--	19.00	35.60	34.90	26.10	9.00	32.80
N Y	35.30	19.50	34.50	21.00	31.10	--	30.50
N C	36.60	18.80	30.00	24.20	32.00	--	--
N DAK	35.30	18.30	29.50	26.60	28.60	4.60	28.40
OHIO	37.00	18.90	38.80	34.00	39.80	8.10	32.60
OKLA	37.10	18.40	26.90	25.00	27.20	3/ 6.00	33.00
OREG	--	18.00	28.50	25.80	23.80	6.30	27.80
PA	38.50	22.10	36.90	27.60	37.00	14.30	33.60
R I	--	24.00	30.00	24.60	--	--	--
S C	36.70	17.80	24.90	21.60	22.80	--	--
S DAK	36.70	18.80	34.30	32.60	31.00	5.80	31.90
TENN	36.50	18.50	26.00	22.80	29.30	9.10	33.80
TEX	35.60	17.20	32.50	28.70	25.50	8.10	31.50
UTAH	35.00	18.50	28.70	25.30	27.70	8.50	32.30
VT	--	24.00	28.00	24.30	31.50	--	--
VA	35.80	19.50	27.80	24.10	36.50	10.50	36.00
WASH	--	18.20	31.90	29.70	26.80	7.10	27.90
W VA	35.10	17.90	24.50	22.50	29.50	8.00	31.50
WIS	36.70	19.00	30.50	22.20	34.90	5.60	31.50
WYO	36.00	20.00	30.30	29.20	29.60	8.00	30.60
U S	37.10	19.00	33.20	30.50	27.50	8.20	33.10

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: THE SEPTEMBER ALL SHEEP PRICE FOR OKLAHOMA SHOULD HAVE READ \$6.30.

Average prices received by farmers, by States, September 1974 and October 1974

State	Milk sold to plants, price per cwt. September 1974						October 1974			
	Eligible for fluid market 1/		Manufacturing grade		All milk		All milk 2/		Milk cows per head 3/	
	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test
	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.
ALA	10.10	3.63	6.35	3.84	10.00	3.63	10.10	3.71	300	
ALAS	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
ARIZ	8.10	3.46	--	--	8.10	3.46	8.25	3.58	490	
ARK	8.25	3.55	7.25	3.70	7.95	3.59	8.25	3.69	385	
CALIF 4/	8.45	3.53	6.95	3.67	8.35	3.54	8.60	3.64	465	
COLO	8.10	3.59	--	--	8.05	3.59	8.25	3.70	500	
CONN	9.15	3.66	--	--	9.15	3.66	9.40	3.72	550	
DEL	8.50	3.58	--	--	8.50	3.58	8.70	3.70	500	
FLA	11.25	3.61	--	--	11.25	3.61	11.50	3.60	490	
GA	9.75	3.59	--	--	9.75	3.59	9.80	3.65	400	
HAW	14.53*	3.49	--	--	14.53*	3.49	14.60	3.50	--	
IDAHO	7.65	3.68	6.65	3.52	6.95	3.57	7.00	3.72	375	
ILL	7.51	3.67	6.81	3.59	7.36	3.65	7.45	3.73	430	
IND	8.51	3.67	6.51	3.68	8.23	3.67	8.35	3.76	450	
IOWA	7.42	3.68	6.76	3.60	7.02	3.63	7.26	3.75	460	
KANS	7.70	3.55	6.70	3.52	7.55	3.55	7.65	3.65	390	
KY	8.15	3.63	6.75	3.80	7.70	3.68	8.10	3.82	385	
LA	10.10	3.73	--	--	10.10	3.73	10.20	3.76	505	
MAINE	9.50	3.68	--	--	9.50	3.68	9.75	3.80	510	
MD	8.45	3.58	--	--	8.45	3.58	8.70	3.70	500	
MASS	9.00	3.59	--	--	9.00	3.59	9.20	3.68	560	
MICH	7.60	3.60	6.65	3.64	7.51	3.60	7.80	3.61	485	
MINN	7.14	3.69	6.58	3.58	6.80	3.62	6.95	3.73	390	
MISS	9.08	3.73	6.94	3.95	8.93	3.75	9.20	3.81	490	
MO	7.60	3.60	6.95	3.70	7.35	3.64	7.45	3.74	390	
MONT	8.80	3.61	6.40	3.70	8.70	3.60	9.00	3.75	405	
NEBR	7.40	3.64	6.65	3.61	7.00	3.62	7.25	3.72	375	
NEV	8.70	3.56	--	--	8.70	3.56	8.80	3.65	480	
N H	9.00	3.77	--	--	9.00	3.77	9.20	3.86	520	
N J	8.50	3.62	--	--	8.50	3.62	8.80	3.73	620	
N MEX	8.40	3.52	--	--	8.40	3.52	8.50	3.60	450	
N Y	8.35	3.61	--	--	8.35	3.61	8.60	3.65	480	
N C	10.35	3.53	6.75	4.09	10.30	3.54	10.40	3.65	315	
N DAK	7.45	3.61	6.35	3.62	6.75	3.62	7.05	3.70	410	
OHIO	8.60	3.66	6.57	3.71	8.40	3.66	8.55	3.72	495	
OKLA	8.45	3.57	7.00	3.62	8.30	3.58	8.60	3.67	375	
OREG	8.29	3.79	6.55	4.23	7.99	3.86	8.21	3.99	500	
PA	8.55	3.64	7.05	3.69	8.50	3.64	8.70	3.70	555	
R I	9.00	3.52	--	--	9.00	3.52	9.20	3.60	560	
S C	10.45	3.79	--	--	10.45	3.79	10.45	3.82	445	
S DAK	7.35	3.50	6.65	3.50	6.80	3.50	6.95	3.60	355	
TENN	8.85	3.62	6.55	3.81	8.18	3.68	8.35	3.77	375	
TEX	8.65	3.55	--	--	8.65	3.55	8.90	3.65	320	
UTAH	7.75	3.64	7.18	3.56	7.60	3.62	7.85	3.74	415	
VT	8.80	3.71	--	--	8.80	3.71	9.00	3.80	550	
VA	9.20	3.55	6.10	3.75	8.80	3.58	9.15	3.68	350	
WASH	7.71	3.73	--	--	7.71	3.73	8.05	3.81	470	
W VA	8.20	3.63	--	--	8.15	3.65	8.30	3.76	380	
WIS	7.45	3.73	7.03	3.76	7.27	3.74	7.47	3.83	500	
WYO	8.70	3.62	--	--	7.95	3.60	8.20	3.67	450	
U S	8.34	3.63	5/6.79	5/3.66	8.00	3.64	8.21	3.72	452	

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

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, OCTOBER 15, 1974

STATE	TURKEYS PER LB.	CHICKENS EXCLUDING BROILERS PER LB.	BROILERS PER LB. 1/	EGGS PER DOZ.		WOOL PER LB.		HAY, BALED, PER TON		
				2/	3/	1/	3/	ALL	ALFALFA	OTHER
CENTS						DOLLARS				
ALA	--	10.0	4/ 21.0	56.3	--	--	--	41.00	--	41.00
ARIZ	--	5.5	--	45.9	55.0	--	--	57.00	58.00	38.50
ARK	26.0	9.0	4/ 21.5	66.0	--	--	--	41.00	49.50	40.00
CALIF	29.0	5.5	26.5	46.9	67.0	--	--	62.50	63.50	57.00
COLO	--	--	--	54.0	55.0	--	--	52.50	52.50	52.50
CONN	--	10.0	4/ 25.0	76.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
DEL	--	12.5	4/ 23.5	73.6	--	--	--	38.00	44.00	35.00
FLA	--	7.0	21.0	50.5	--	--	6/ --	--	--	6/ --
GA	28.0	12.5	4/ 21.5	61.8	--	--	--	38.00	--	38.00
HAH	--	13.5	40.0	60.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
IDAHO	--	--	--	53.8	--	--	--	40.00	40.00	39.00
ILL	33.0	7.5	--	48.9	38.0	--	--	40.00	43.00	35.00
IND	26.0	6.5	4/ 22.0	52.7	36.0	--	--	48.50	53.00	41.50
IOWA	28.0	5.0	--	44.1	32.0	--	--	44.00	45.00	40.50
KANS	28.0	5.0	--	46.3	55.0	--	--	53.50	56.50	47.50
KY	--	9.0	--	56.6	--	--	--	36.50	43.00	33.00
LA	--	11.5	23.0	60.1	--	--	--	41.50	50.00	41.00
MAINE	--	10.0	4/ 25.0	62.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
MO	--	12.5	4/ 23.5	73.6	--	--	--	38.00	44.00	35.00
MASS	--	10.0	--	69.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
MICH	27.0	18.0	--	53.3	29.0	--	--	37.50	38.50	34.00
MINN	27.0	3.5	--	44.0	32.0	--	--	46.00	48.00	35.50
MISS	--	14.0	4/ 22.0	63.4	--	--	--	39.00	49.00	39.00
MO	20.0	10.0	21.5	50.2	41.0	--	--	43.00	47.00	40.50
MONT	--	--	--	56.9	57.0	--	--	43.00	44.00	41.00
NEBR	28.0	4.5	--	44.4	38.0	--	--	48.00	49.00	45.00
NEV	--	--	--	50.0	46.0	--	--	60.50	64.00	53.00
N H	--	10.0	--	66.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
N J	--	9.5	--	63.0	--	--	--	56.00	59.00	50.00
N MEX	--	--	--	58.5	45.0	--	--	61.50	63.00	50.00
N Y	--	4.5	--	55.6	--	--	--	39.00	43.50	34.00
N C	27.0	14.5	4/ 23.0	62.9	--	--	--	50.00	55.50	50.00
N DAK	--	7.0	--	37.0	34.0	--	--	38.00	42.50	35.00
OHIO	27.0	6.5	4/ 22.0	50.1	30.0	--	--	44.50	48.50	37.00
OKLA	--	9.5	19.0	55.0	--	--	--	51.50	60.50	43.00
OREG	37.0	14.0	31.0	52.9	38.0	--	--	57.00	61.00	50.00
PA	31.0	12.0	31.0	54.6	--	--	--	42.50	52.00	33.00
R I	--	10.0	--	78.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
S C	26.0	12.0	4/ 20.5	53.9	--	--	--	--	--	--
S DAK	26.0	4.5	--	38.2	42.0	--	--	49.50	52.00	44.50
TENN	--	13.0	4/ 19.0	6/ 60.0	--	--	--	38.00	44.50	37.00
TEX	31.0	9.0	22.0	72.1	75.0	--	--	51.00	61.50	49.00
UTAH	29.0	--	--	49.0	48.0	--	--	47.50	48.00	42.50
VT	--	10.0	--	62.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
VA	25.0	10.0	4/ 24.0	63.9	--	--	--	43.00	53.00	41.50
WASH	36.0	4.5	29.0	51.1	36.0	--	--	55.00	56.00	47.00
W VA	29.0	14.0	28.0	64.0	--	--	--	40.50	47.50	38.50
WIS	31.0	10.5	23.0	49.2	--	--	--	31.00	31.50	26.00
WYO	--	6.5	--	60.1	54.0	--	--	52.50	53.00	52.00
U S	27.3	9.6	22.5	55.5	57.9	--	--	51.50	54.80	44.40

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/ LIVELINE EQUIVALENT PRICE. 5/ INCLUDES DATA FOR SOME STATES NOT SHOWN SEPARATELY. 6/ CORRECTION: THE SEPTEMBER EGG PRICE FOR TENNESSEE SHOULD HAVE READ 57.3 CENTS: FLORIDA ALL HAY AND OTHER HAY 54.00.

SEEDS: AVERAGE PRICES PER CWT. RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, OCTOBER 15, 1974

STATE	ALFALFA	RED CLOVER	TIMOTHY	LESPEDEZA
	D O L L A R S			
ARIZ	103.00	--	--	--
CALIF	107.50	--	--	--
IDAHO	--	91.50	--	--
ILL	--	51.00	--	39.70
IND	--	53.00	--	--
IOWA	--	52.00	16.60	--
KANS	54.00	54.00	--	35.00
KY	--	70.00	--	44.60
MICH	--	50.50	--	--
MINN	--	50.50	26.00	--
MO	--	53.00	16.30	--
MONT	73.00	--	--	--
NEBR	55.50	--	--	--
NEV	90.00	--	--	--
OHIO	--	53.50	13.20	--
OKLA	54.00	--	--	--
OREG	--	78.50	--	--
S DAK	62.00	--	--	--
TENN	--	--	--	53.00
WASH	77.00	92.50	--	--
WIS	--	56.50	--	--
U S	80.70	54.90	23.70	41.60

POTATOES: AVERAGE PRICES PER CWT. RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, OCTOBER 1974

STATE	DOLLARS	STATE	DOLLARS
ALABAMA	--	NEW JERSEY	3.30
ARIZONA	--	NEW MEXICO	3.15
CALIFORNIA - ALL	6.25	NEW YORK - ALL	4.00
WINTER	--	LONG ISLAND	3.25
SPRING	--	UPSTATE	4.60
SUMMER	5.70	NORTH CAROLINA	5.85
FALL	6.35	NORTH DAKOTA	3.15
COLORADO	3.38	OHIO	4.19
DELAWARE	3.60	OREGON	3.90
FLORIDA	--	PENNSYLVANIA	3.75
IDAHO	4.20	TEXAS	7.00
INDIANA	5.20	UTAH	3.65
MAINE	3.30	VIRGINIA	--
MICHIGAN	4.10	WASHINGTON	3.45
MINNESOTA	3.52	WISCONSIN	4.25
MONTANA	5.00		
NEBRASKA	2.75		
		UNITED STATES	3.90

Average prices received by growers for peanuts and tobacco, by areas and types, October 1973 and 1974 (Cents per pound)

Area	Peanuts		Class	Tobacco		
	OCT 15, 1973	OCT 15, 1974		Type	OCT 1973	OCT 1974 1/
Virginia-Carolina	16.5	18.0	Total Old & Middle Belt	11	89.0	111.3
Southeast	16.2	18.5	:Eastern N C Belt	12	89.7	112.0
Southwest	16.5	17.1	:Total N C Border and			
			: S C Belt	13	86.2	111.0
			:Total Flue-cured	11-14	89.3	111.5
United States	16.4	18.1	:United States		89.3	111.5

1/ Prices by States are shown on page 10.

Milkfat in cream: Average price per lb. received by farmers, by States, October 15, 1974

State	Cents	State	Cents
Iowa	70.0	Montana	54.0
Kansas	54.0	Nebraska	52.0
Minnesota	70.0	North Dakota	63.0
Missouri	64.0	South Dakota	64.0
		United States	62.7

Citrus fruit: Average prices and equivalent returns per box received by growers, by utilization, October 1974

Commodity and State	F.O.B. packed fresh	Equivalent returns per box <sup>1/</sup>					
		Packinghouse door			On-tree		
		All	Fresh	Process	All	Fresh	Process
D o l l a r s							
<b>ORANGES:</b>							
ARIZ							
Navels and Misc. Valencias	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
CALIF	8.05	4.26	5.65	1.30	2.96	4.35	.00
Navels Valencias	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
FLA	8.05	4.26	5.65	1.30	2.96	4.35	.00
Early and Mids. Valencias	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TEX	6.80	2.93	2.93	--	2.48	2.48	--
Early and Mids. Valencias	6.80	2.93	2.93	--	2.48	2.48	--
CALIF-ARIZ	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Navels and Misc. Valencias	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
U S	8.01	4.00	4.92	1.30	2.86	3.85	.00
<b>GRAPEFRUIT:</b>							
ARIZ	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
CALIF	5.30	1.89	3.35	1.03	1.08	2.39	.31
Desert Valleys Other Areas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
FLA	5.30	1.89	3.35	1.03	1.08	2.39	.31
White Seedless Pink Seedless	5.83	3.10	3.83	.43	2.32	3.08	-.45
Other than Seedless	5.40	2.79	3.40	.50	2.02	2.65	-.35
TEX	6.30	3.42	4.30	.35	2.64	3.55	-.55
CALIF-ARIZ	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Desert Valleys U S	7.70	3.92	3.92	--	3.57	3.57	--
U S	5.85	3.14	3.84	.46	2.40	3.12	-.41
<b>LEMONS:</b>							
ARIZ	14.90	4.95	11.60	2.10	3.55	10.20	.70
CALIF	14.40	6.58	11.10	2.10	5.18	9.70	.70
U S	14.44	6.37	11.14	2.10	4.97	9.74	.70
<b>TEMPLES:</b>							
FLA	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>TANGERINES:</b>							
ARIZ	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
CALIF	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
FLA	12.40	9.07	9.80	.50	7.33	8.10	-1.65
U S	12.40	9.07	9.80	.50	7.33	8.10	-1.65
<b>TANGELOS:</b>							
FLA	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

<sup>1/</sup> Approximate net contents per box are as follows: Oranges - California and Arizona, 75 lbs.; Texas, 85 lbs.; Florida, 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.; and Temples - 90 lbs.

MAPLE SIRUP: Season average price per gallon received by farmers, by States, 1973-74 <sup>1/</sup>

State	1973	1974
D o l l a r s		
MAINE	11.70	12.70
MASS	9.40	11.20
MICH	8.85	10.70
N H	10.80	12.00
N Y	8.70	9.60
OHIO	8.50	9.45
PA	7.80	9.40
Vt.	9.30	9.60
WIS	11.90	10.40

<sup>1/</sup> Includes sirup later made into sugar.



Local market commodity - feed price ratios, United States, October 15, 1974  
with comparisons <sup>1/</sup>

Commodity-feed price ratio	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT
	15	15	15	15
	1972	1973	1974	1974
Hog-corn: Bushels of corn equal in value to 100-lbs. of hog, liveweight United States	23.0	18.8	10.2	10.8
North Central States	23.8	19.3	10.2	10.8
Egg-feed: Pounds of laying feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs	6.9	3/8.2	6.7	6.6
Broiler-feed: Pounds of broiler grower equal in value to 1 lb. broiler liveweight <sup>1/</sup>	2.9	3/2.9	2.6	2.4
Turkey-feed: Pounds of turkey grower equal in value to 1 lb. turkey, liveweight	4.3	5.0	2.9	2.9
Milk-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. whole milk <sup>1/</sup>	1.77	3/1.57	1.18	2/1.17

<sup>1/</sup> Broiler and milk-feed price ratios are computed using monthly averages for broilers and milk.  
<sup>2/</sup> Preliminary. <sup>3/</sup> Revised.

Milk-feed price ratios, milk prices, and ration values, by regions and United States,  
October 1974, with comparisons <sup>1/</sup>

Region	Milk-feed price ratio <sup>2/</sup>			All milk price per cwt.		Ration value <sup>3/</sup>			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT
	1973 <sup>4/</sup>	1974	1974	1973 <sup>4/</sup>	1974	1974	1973 <sup>4/</sup>	1974	1974
	Pounds			Dollars					
N Atl	1.51	1.20	1.23	8.97	8.53	8.76	5.96	7.13	7.12
N Cent	1.67	1.13	1.10	8.04	7.33	7.51	4.82	6.46	6.83
S Atl	1.65	1.37	1.36	9.40	9.68	9.90	5.68	7.08	7.30
S Cent	1.56	1.22	1.23	8.84	8.54	8.81	5.68	7.00	7.19
West	1.36	1.17	1.18	7.48	8.08	8.32	5.50	6.89	7.04
U S	1.57	1.18	1.17	8.32	8.00	8.21	5.30	6.76	7.00

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

Parity price equivalent for manufacturing milk <sup>1/</sup>, United States, October 1974  
with comparisons

	OCT	SEP	OCT
	1973	1974	1974
Parity equivalent			
Average price f.o.b. plants	Dol. per cwt.	7.63	8.88
Average fat test of milk	Dol. per cwt.	3/7.45	6.79
	Percent	3/3.76	3.66
			2/6.92
			2/3.77

<sup>1/</sup> 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 1974 is 82.2 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, which compares with 81.1 percent in 1973. For additional details see Supplement No. 1 to the January 1974 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES. <sup>2/</sup> Preliminary. <sup>3/</sup> Revised.

Feed: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,  
October 15, 1974, with comparisons

Commodity and unit	1973			1974		
	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15
	D o l l a r s					
Alfalfa hay, baled, per ton	51.70	55.50	59.10	61.90	63.50	64.20
Other hay, baled, per ton	43.50	44.90	46.70	50.80	52.60	53.00
Cottonseed meal, 41 pct., 100 lb.	12.40	12.10	11.50	10.70	10.20	10.40
Soybean meal, 44 pct., 100 lb.	18.60	14.90	13.30	11.40	10.30	11.30
Bran, per 100 lb.	6.45	6.07	6.30	7.88	7.68	7.88
Middlings, per 100 lb.	6.48	6.12	6.37	7.88	7.63	7.90
Corn meal, per 100 lb.	6.20	5.87	5.86	7.99	8.01	8.24
Laying feed, per ton	165	148	144	168	163	168
Broiler grower feed, per ton	182	169	163	180	176	185
Turkey grower, per ton	193	176	170	188	183	189
Chick starter feed, per ton	198	175	169	189	185	191
Dairy feed						
14 pct. protein, per ton	112	113	116	143	142	146
16 pct. protein, per ton	126	120	123	152	148	150
18 pct. protein, per ton	132	127	128	156	152	153
20 pct. protein, per ton	142	133	134	162	157	158
32 pct. protein, per ton	205	188	183	198	188	196
40 pct. and over, per ton	227	208	201	215	204	218
Hog feed, 14-18 pct., 100 lb.	8.40	7.72	7.59	9.09	8.82	9.14
Hog feed, over 29 pct., 100 lb.	16.60	13.80	12.60	12.10	10.90	11.70
Cattle feed, 30% and over, 100 lb.	8.06	7.69	7.70	8.77	8.43	8.73
	INDEX NUMBERS (1967=100)					
Feed, prices paid by farmers	195	178	176	208	204	211

Livestock: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,  
October 15, 1974, with comparisons

Commodity and unit	1973			1974		
	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15	Aug 15	Sep 15	Oct 15
	D o l l a r s					
Feeders and stockers:						
Cattle and calves, 100 lb.	59.80	51.20	49.50	34.00	29.50	28.50
Lambs, per 100 lb.	39.50	33.20	34.20	34.00	29.00	31.00
Pigs, per 100 lb. 1/	90.00	78.80	73.90	43.50	43.50	49.50
Baby chicks, per 100	13.80	14.20	14.10	14.40	14.30	14.30
Turkey poults, each	.641	.647	.678	.674	.673	.674
	INDEX NUMBERS (1967=100)					
All livestock	224	195	190	138	122	119

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,  
October 15, 1974

State	Bran	Middlings	Cottonseed	Soybean	Corn	Hog feed		Beef cattle concentrate 30% and over protein
			meal, 41% protein	meal, 44% protein		14-18% protein	Over 29% protein	
D o l l a r s								
ALA	8.10	8.40	9.50	10.50	8.20	9.00	11.00	--
ARIZ	9.60	--	8.00	13.00	--	--	--	--
ARK	7.10	7.60	9.70	14.00	8.40	8.50	11.00	--
CALIF	8.30	9.40	9.20	13.00	9.30	--	--	--
COLO	7.30	7.10	10.00	12.00	8.10	--	--	--
CONN	8.80	--	--	--	9.50	--	--	--
DEL	7.80	8.00	12.00	11.00	8.10	8.90	11.50	10.50
FLA	8.80	9.10	11.00	11.00	8.90	--	--	--
GA	8.50	8.50	11.00	11.50	8.00	9.30	11.50	--
HAW	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
IDAHO	7.10	7.50	11.00	12.50	7.80	--	--	--
ILL	8.00	7.90	11.00	11.00	8.10	10.50	12.00	9.80
IND	8.30	8.30	11.50	11.50	7.20	10.00	12.50	10.50
IOWA	8.00	8.00	10.50	11.00	6.90	9.80	12.00	10.00
KANS	7.00	6.80	10.50	11.00	7.20	8.60	11.00	8.30
KY	7.90	8.00	10.50	11.30	7.50	9.50	11.60	9.50
LA	7.50	8.80	10.00	10.50	8.80	9.30	11.50	--
MAINE	8.80	8.40	--	--	9.50	--	--	--
MD	7.80	8.00	12.00	11.00	8.10	8.90	11.50	10.50
MASS	8.80	8.40	--	11.50	9.50	--	--	--
MICH	8.50	8.70	12.00	11.50	7.80	8.80	12.00	10.50
MINN	7.50	7.40	11.50	11.00	7.20	9.80	12.00	9.70
MISS	7.80	8.90	9.50	10.50	8.40	9.50	11.00	--
MO	7.30	7.40	10.00	11.00	7.40	8.80	11.00	8.40
MONT	7.40	6.80	11.00	11.00	8.30	--	--	--
NEBR	7.10	7.00	11.00	11.00	7.30	9.70	12.00	8.90
NEV	8.60	--	12.00	17.00	10.00	--	--	--
N H	8.80	--	--	11.50	9.50	--	--	--
N J	8.30	--	12.00	11.00	9.10	9.30	--	9.50
N MEX	8.10	8.10	10.50	11.00	8.80	--	--	--
N Y	7.70	7.80	10.50	11.00	8.80	9.40	11.00	8.80
N C	7.90	7.80	10.00	11.00	8.00	9.00	11.50	--
N DAK	7.00	7.00	--	12.50	6.80	--	--	--
OHIO	8.50	8.60	11.50	11.50	7.80	9.50	12.00	10.50
OKLA	7.50	7.50	9.70	11.50	8.50	--	--	8.50
OREG	8.00	7.50	10.00	12.50	8.70	--	--	--
PA	7.70	7.70	11.00	11.00	8.40	9.10	11.60	9.30
R I	8.80	8.40	--	--	9.50	--	--	--
S C	8.40	8.10	12.00	11.50	8.50	9.30	11.50	--
S DAK	7.50	7.60	--	10.50	7.10	--	--	--
TENN	7.90	8.40	10.50	11.50	8.20	9.10	11.50	8.50
TEX	7.80	8.10	9.70	11.00	8.60	--	--	8.30
UTAH	6.70	6.70	10.00	12.00	8.80	--	--	--
VT	8.80	8.40	--	11.50	9.50	--	--	--
VA	8.60	8.70	10.50	11.50	8.60	9.20	11.50	--
WASH	8.50	8.50	10.50	14.00	9.20	--	--	--
W VA	9.00	9.20	10.50	12.00	9.20	9.00	11.50	--
WIS	7.50	7.70	10.50	11.20	7.40	9.00	12.30	10.00
WYO	8.00	7.80	12.00	14.50	8.70	--	--	--
U S	7.88	7.90	10.40	11.30	8.24	9.14	11.70	8.73

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers, by States,  
October 15, 1974

State	Dairy Feed, percent protein					
	14	16	18	20	32	40 and over
	Dollars					
ALA	--	152	156	166	176	185
ARIZ	171	170	--	--	--	185
ARK	143	144	--	--	--	--
CALIF	138	141	153	--	--	--
COLO	165	160	--	--	190	190
CONN	--	145	148	152	--	--
DEL	144	147	152	158	194	215
FLA	135	160	166	170	--	210
GA	153	156	153	164	178	200
HAW	--	166	--	187	--	--
IDAHO	145	155	--	--	180	--
ILL	160	166	180	190	215	220
IND	156	166	175	--	215	220
IOWA	163	168	--	200	215	230
KANS	150	155	--	165	170	215
KY	145	150	163	178	200	210
LA	--	152	156	161	--	--
MAINE	154	148	152	153	--	--
MD	144	147	152	158	194	215
MASS	--	147	151	152	--	--
MICH	155	158	163	174	225	230
MINN	148	151	161	170	200	225
MISS	137	142	147	152	--	--
MO	150	156	158	158	184	195
MONT	150	155	--	--	--	--
NEBR	156	164	--	--	198	220
NEV	160	187	--	--	--	--
N H	--	148	152	153	--	--
N J	--	157	163	165	182	190
N MEX	160	160	--	--	--	200
N Y	153	147	148	149	162	172
N C	144	154	155	161	181	215
N DAK	157	155	--	--	194	225
OHIO	164	169	177	190	210	225
OKLA	139	146	157	166	--	210
OREG	143	145	--	--	--	--
PA	162	155	160	159	191	200
R I	--	147	151	152	--	--
S C	--	155	161	164	180	--
S DAK	157	162	--	--	205	220
TENN	150	157	163	168	187	193
TEX	145	155	160	165	170	185
UTAH	155	160	--	--	170	190
VT	154	148	152	153	--	--
VA	153	159	160	161	183	215
WASH	139	143	--	--	--	--
W VA	--	155	164	166	--	--
WIS	144	149	162	176	200	225
WYO	166	170	--	--	195	230
U S	146	150	153	158	196	218

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers for poultry feed and poultry feed ratios, by States, October 15, 1974

State	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		
ALA	180	168	185	186	6.7	2.3	--
ARIZ	194	166	--	--	5.5	--	--
ARK	172	146	170	175	9.0	2.5	3.0
CALIF	178	150	184	187	6.3	2.9	3.1
COLO	195	180	--	205	6.0	--	--
CONN	173	160	190	--	9.5	2.6	--
DEL	205	167	200	210	8.8	2.4	--
FLA	193	171	183	195	5.9	2.3	--
GA	191	167	192	193	7.4	2.2	2.9
HAW	210	191	240	--	6.3	3.3	--
IDAHO	200	170	--	205	6.3	--	--
ILL	210	193	200	210	5.1	--	3.1
IND	195	169	180	183	6.2	2.4	2.8
IOWA	205	174	190	190	5.1	--	2.9
KANS	195	180	--	--	5.1	--	--
KY	205	177	--	--	6.4	--	--
LA	181	160	173	--	7.5	2.7	--
MAINE	173	162	190	--	7.7	2.6	--
MD	205	167	200	210	8.8	2.4	--
MASS	175	161	--	--	8.6	--	--
MICH	205	173	198	205	6.2	--	2.6
MINN	200	178	177	180	4.9	--	3.0
MISS	199	186	193	--	6.8	2.3	--
MO	197	167	181	181	6.0	2.4	2.2
MONT	205	190	--	225	6.0	--	--
NEBR	195	183	--	200	4.9	--	2.8
NEV	--	205	--	200	4.9	--	--
N H	177	167	--	--	7.9	--	--
N J	188	161	195	205	7.8	--	--
N MEX	180	170	--	--	6.9	--	--
N Y	186	162	191	194	6.9	--	--
N C	187	170	178	178	7.4	2.6	3.0
N DAK	210	190	--	220	3.9	--	--
OHIO	210	188	198	220	5.3	2.2	2.5
OKLA	193	173	190	184	6.4	2.0	--
OREG	189	171	197	183	6.2	3.1	4.0
PA	191	173	194	194	6.3	3.2	3.2
R I	173	161	--	--	9.7	--	--
S C	181	166	191	182	6.5	2.1	2.9
S DAK	210	188	--	192	4.1	--	2.7
TENN	200	174	182	--	6.9	2.1	--
TEX	185	160	174	185	9.0	2.5	3.4
UTAH	200	175	--	225	5.6	--	2.6
VT	175	164	--	--	7.6	--	--
VA	195	170	192	198	7.5	2.5	2.5
WASH	196	172	193	197	5.9	3.0	3.7
W VA	200	178	200	205	7.2	2.8	2.8
WIS	198	172	192	210	5.7	2.4	3.0
WYO.	210	205	--	--	5.9	--	--
U S	191	168	185	189	6.6	2.4	2.9

1/ Number of pounds of laying feed, equivalent in value to one dozen eggs, number of pounds 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.

COST OF FARM TELEPHONE SERVICE UP 11 PERCENT

The cost of local telephone service to farmers in the U. S. averaged \$7.16 per month during the summer of 1974 according to the Crop Reporting Board. The annual survey indicated the cost was 11 percent higher than the average local bill during the same period in 1973.

All regions registered price increases for local service with the middle Atlantic States having the largest increase - 15 percent, while States in New England and East South Central regions had the smallest increase - 8 percent.

The percentage of farms with telephone service increased to 88 percent in 1974 compared with 87 percent in 1973. The total number of farms with telephones is estimated at 2,488,000 in 1974, up slightly from the 2,471,000 in 1973. During the past year, the total number of farms in the United States declined about 1 percent.

Dial phones continue to account for approximately 98 percent of all farm telephones. Pushbutton, which accounts for 1 percent of all U. S. farm phones, shows increased usage in several regions.

TELEPHONES: Average monthly local bill paid by farmers and type of service supplied farms, by regions and United States, 1973-74 1/

Region	Average monthly local bill		Type of service 1974		
	1973 2/	1974	Dial	Lift and magneto crank:	Push- button
	Dollars		Percent		
New England	7.25	7.80	98	-	2
Middle Atlantic	6.16	7.07	98	-	2
East North Central	6.47	7.28	98	-	2
West North Central	6.12	6.83	98	-	2
South Atlantic	6.96	7.63	97	2	1
East South Central	6.46	7.00	98	1	1
West South Central	6.52	7.26	98	1	1
Mountain	6.53	7.13	97	1	2
Pacific	6.47	7.18	98	-	2
United States	6.45	7.16	98	1	1

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

2/ Revised.

Farms with telephones: Estimated number and percentage of all farms,  
by States, United States, 1973-74

State	Farms with telephones		Percent of all farms	
	1973 1/	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands		Percent	
ALA	58	59	74	76
ARIZ	5	5	82	82
ARK	54	55	78	81
CALIF	60	60	95	96
COLO	27	27	92	93
CONN	4	4	99	99
DEL	3	3	94	95
FLA	29	29	83	85
GA	62	63	83	84
IDAHO	25	25	89	91
ILL	121	121	95	96
IND	100	100	93	94
IOWA	135	134	97	98
KANS	77	78	92	93
KY	100	103	79	82
LA	39	39	82	84
MAINE	7	7	93	94
MD	16	16	91	92
MASS	6	6	98	99
MICH	74	74	93	94
MINN	110	111	93	94
MISS	59	60	69	72
MO	124	125	89	90
MONT	22	22	88	89
NEBR	65	65	93	94
NEV	2	2	76	76
N H	2	2	95	95
N J	8	8	98	98
N MEX	9	8	73	73
N Y	54	53	96	97
N C	103	105	75	78
N DAK	37	37	87	88
OHIO	106	108	91	92
OKLA	77	76	88	88
OREG	31	31	93	94
PA	67	67	95	95
R I	1	1	98	98
S C	36	37	75	78
S DAK	40	40	91	92
TENN	101	103	81	83
TEX	171	176	82	84
UTAH	11	11	88	89
VT	6	6	95	95
VA	61	61	83	84
WASH	38	38	93	94
W VA	22	22	82	84
WIS	99	98	93	93
WYO	7	7	89	90
U S	2,471	2,488	87	88

1/ Revised.

Gasoline, regular and diesel fuel: Average price per gallon paid by farmers, by States, Sept. 1973, June-Sept 1974

State	At filling station			From tank truck			Diesel fuel		
	1973		1974	1973		1974	1973		1974
	Sept. 15	June 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	June 15	Sept. 15	Sept. 15	June 15	Sept. 15
	D o l l a r s								
ALA	.370	.529	.529	.319	.451	.451	.240	.390	.390
ARIZ	.380	.530	.530	.335	.480	.480	.194	.355	.373
ARK	.359	.520	.520	.328	.460	.469	.188	.321	.331
CALIF	.405	.578	.572	.330	.480	.478	.218	.367	.367
COLO	.378	.534	.531	.330	.470	.468	.202	.350	.357
CONN	.400	.549	.548	.350	.517	.509	.239	.380	.390
DEL	.380	.550	.550	.340	.480	.490	.228	.400	.380
FLA	.381	.564	.550	.328	.474	.470	.247	.350	.369
GA	.379	.548	.548	.320	.451	.451	.233	.376	.376
HAW	.450	.600	.600	.350	.440	.460	.212	.320	.360
IDAHO	.388	.548	.540	.340	.490	.482	.216	.360	.372
ILL	.393	.562	.562	.330	.484	.476	.239	.367	.392
IND	.408	.568	.560	.349	.481	.500	.200	.380	.380
IOWA	.381	.541	.538	.330	.472	.471	.205	.350	.361
KANS	.377	.537	.528	.330	.478	.471	.205	.350	.368
KY	.382	.542	.540	.341	.480	.479	.212	.380	.380
LA	.370	.528	.537	.310	.461	.461	.190	.331	.359
MAINE	.400	.549	.548	.350	.517	.509	.239	.380	.390
MD	.380	.550	.550	.340	.480	.490	.228	.400	.380
MASS	.400	.549	.548	.350	.517	.509	.239	.380	.390
MICH	.410	.577	.575	.350	.500	.510	.225	.376	.358
MINN	.378	.537	.528	.330	.480	.480	.211	.358	.366
MISS	.397	.576	.557	.338	.470	.479	.236	.380	.380
MO	.343	.550	.531	.338	.463	.461	.209	.351	.362
MONT	.390	.540	.541	.332	.470	.481	.197	.360	.350
NEBR	.406	.550	.546	.356	.493	.486	.206	.347	.342
NEV	.440	.560	.600	.360	.480	.480	.238	.400	.400
N H	.400	.549	.548	.350	.517	.509	.239	.380	.390
N J	.378	.546	.548	.340	.493	.493	.280	.430	.420
N MEX	.370	.520	.530	.320	.470	.470	.200	.350	.360
N Y	.400	.572	.567	.360	.530	.520	.234	.377	.386
N C	.370	.529	.530	.340	.490	.490	.228	.400	.420
N DAK	.386	.553	.545	.338	.478	.480	.213	.360	.370
OHIO	.370	.530	.530	.350	.502	.502	.216	.370	.361
OKLA	.363	.530	.516	.303	.453	.453	.193	.342	.350
OREG	.370	.529	.529	.330	.470	.460	.211	.358	.350
PA	.378	.543	.531	.330	.487	.483	.227	.364	.368
R I	.400	.549	.548	.350	.517	.509	.239	.380	.390
S C	.380	.541	.540	.320	.462	.472	.260	.420	.420
S DAK	.390	.535	.536	.340	.480	.471	.217	.365	.373
TENN	.370	.530	.530	.310	.460	.480	.240	.360	.400
TEX	.332	.501	.490	.280	.424	.433	.183	.322	.340
UTAH	.390	.542	.550	.346	.486	.502	.227	.386	.405
VT	.400	.549	.548	.350	.517	.509	.239	.380	.390
VA	.370	.520	.520	.340	.490	.490	.212	.360	.370
WASH	.402	.528	.536	.362	.478	.486	.215	.341	.350
W VA	.387	.535	.544	.320	.471	.488	.330	.510	.510
WIS	.371	.538	.530	.340	.482	.478	.205	.340	.347
WYO	.410	.570	.570	.340	.490	.480	.193	.366	.357
U S	.379	.542	.538	.331	.476	.477	.213	.358	.364



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