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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX DOWN 3 POINTS PRICES PAID INDEX UNCHANGED

The November Index of Prices Received by Farmers decreased 3 points (1½ percent) to 214 percent of its January-December 1967 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Contributing most to the decrease since October were lower prices for hogs, cattle and citrus fruits. Higher prices for eggs, lettuce, milk, corn and wheat were partially offsetting. The index was 36 points (20 percent) above a year ago.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for November 15 was 224, unchanged from mid-October. Higher prices for feed, autos and trucks, farm and motor supplies and family living items offset lower prices for feeder livestock. The November index was 22 points (11 percent) above a year earlier.

SUMMARY TABLE

INDEX 1967=100	OCT 1977	NOV 1977	OCT 1978		NOV
			PRELIM	REVISED	1978 PRELIM
PRICES RECEIVED	177	178	217	217	214
PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES <u>1/</u>	201	202	224	224	224
RATIO <u>2/</u>	88	88	97	97	96

1/ MID-MONTH INDEX. 2/ RATIO OF INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS TO INDEX OF PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES, AND FARM WAGE RATES.

Proposed changes in Baby Chick price and Milk-Feed Ratio estimates may be found on page 27.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers decreased 3 points (1½ percent) from the previous month to 214 percent of its 1967 average. Compared with a year earlier the index was up 36 points (20 percent). Of the subgroups shown on page 7, the following contributed most to the net change from a month earlier.

MEAT ANIMALS: The November index of prices received by farmers for meat animals at 236 was off 12 points (5 percent) from a month earlier. Mid-November hog prices at \$46.70 per cwt. were down \$4.40 from mid-October. Beef cattle prices, averaging \$51.50 per cwt., decreased \$1.70 from mid-October, while calf prices at \$66.50 were off 10 cents per cwt. The index was 71 points (43 percent) above a year ago.

FRUIT: The index of prices received by farmers for all fruit at 205 for November fell 36 points (15 percent) from October. Citrus price declines were only partially offset by increases in prices for apples and pears. The index was 14 points (7 percent) above a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGGS: The index of prices received for poultry and eggs increased 7 points (4 percent) to 189. Egg prices at 56.8 cents per dozen increased 4.5 cents from October, and turkey prices rose 1.5 cents per pound. However, broilers at 24.7 cents per pound were off slightly. The November index was 23 points (14 percent) above November of last year.

FEED GRAINS AND HAY: The index of prices received by farmers for feed grains and hay at 178 was 4 points (2 percent) above October. Higher prices for corn, grain sorghum, and oats were only partially offset by lower prices for hay and barley. Corn at \$2.03 per bushel was 6 cents above October; sorghum grain at \$3.45 per cwt. was up 9 cents; and oats at \$1.16 per bushel increased 8 cents. Hay averaged \$46.40 per ton at mid-November, 70 cents below October, while barley declined 2 cents to \$1.86 per bushel. The index was 11 points (7 percent) above November 1977.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: The November index of prices received for dairy products increased 5 points (2 percent) to 229. The average price of all milk sold to plants and dealers increased 20 cents per cwt. to \$11.50. The index was 26 points (13 percent) above November 1977.

VEGETABLES: The index of prices received by farmers for commercial vegetables for the first half of November at 167 was 8 points (5 percent) above the index for the entire month of October. Increases for lettuce, tomatoes, cantaloups, and green peppers were only partially offset by price declines for other vegetables. The index was 14 points (8 percent) below a year ago.

PRICES PAID INCLUDING INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES (PPITW)

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for November 15 was 224 percent of its 1967 average, unchanged from October but 22 points (11 percent) above a year earlier.

PRODUCTION INDEX HIGHER

The mid-November index of prices paid for production goods and services, at 223, was up 1 point ($\frac{1}{2}$ percent) from mid-October. Feeder livestock prices declined, but higher prices for feed, autos and trucks, and farm and motor supplies were more than offsetting. The production index was up 24 points (12 percent) from a year earlier.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The mid-November index of prices paid for feeder livestock, at 240, was down 3 percent from a month ago. Lower prices for feeder cattle and calves and feeder pigs accounted for the decline. The index was 53 percent above November 1977.

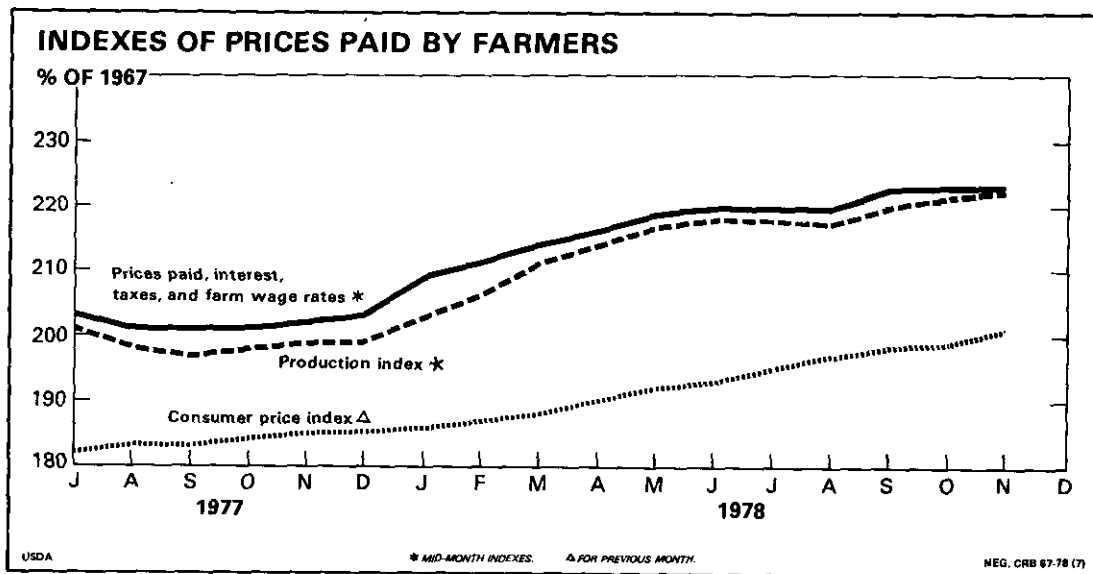
FEED: The index of prices paid by farmers for feed on November 15 was 184, up 3 percent from last month. Prices were above mid-October for all items surveyed except barley and alfalfa hay which were below last month. The index was 7 percent above November a year ago.

AUTOS AND TRUCKS: The mid-November index of prices paid by farmers for autos and trucks averaged 5 percent above May when prices were last surveyed. Higher prices for new autos and trucks contributed most to the increase. The index, at 260, was 10 percent above November 1977.

FARM AND MOTOR SUPPLIES: At 176, the mid-November index of prices paid for farm and motor supplies was 2 percent above mid-October. Prices were higher for all farm supply items surveyed. The index was up 7 percent from a year earlier.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U)

The unadjusted October 1978 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers rose 0.8 percent from a month earlier to 200.9. On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.8 percent in October, the same as the September rise and about the same as in most months of this year. The increase of 0.8 percent for the index for food and beverages in October was larger than the monthly increases this summer but smaller than in the first 6 months of this year. The housing index increased 1.0 percent in October, slightly more than in each of the 3 preceding months. Medical care increased 1.1 percent, entertainment 0.8 percent, transportation 0.4 percent, apparel and upkeep 0.4 percent, and other goods and services 0.3 percent.



AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR FARM PRODUCTS, UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 1978,
WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	PRICE PER	UNIT	AVERAGE		NOV	NOV	OCT	OCT	NOV	NOV
			JAN 1970: DEC 1977	JAN 1967: DEC 1967	15, 1977	(ENTIRE MONTH):	15, 1978	(ENTIRE MONTH):	15, 1978	(ENTIRE MONTH)
ALL WHEAT	BU	DOL	.800	1.47			2.46	2.99	3.05	
WINTER WHEAT	"	"					2.42	3.06	3.13	
SPRING WHEAT (EXCL DURUM)	"	"					2.50	2.82	2.90	
RICE (ROUGH)	CWT	"	1.81	5.05			10.20	7.62	7.85	
CORN	BU	"	.649	1.17			1.88	1.97	2.03	
OATS	"	"	.399	.668			1.10	1.08	1.16	
ALL BARLEY	"	"	.617	1.02			1.82	1.88	1.86	
FEED BARLEY	"	"						1.86	1.72	
MALTING BARLEY	"	"						1.91	1.99	
SORGHUM GRAIN	CWT	"		1.88		3.03		3.36	3.45	
ALL HAY, BALED	TON	"	11.90	23.50	48.40		*47.10		46.40	
COTTON, AMER UPLAND	LB	CT 1/	11.92	22.54		50.7		59.6	60.6	
PEANUTS	"	"	4.83	11.4		20.4	21.5		21.1	
TOBACCO	"	"				116.6		135.5		130.9
COTTONSEED	TON	DOL	21.80	58.00	71.00		110.0		113.0	
SOYBEANS	BU	"		2.62		5.61		6.26	6.31	
FLAXSEED	"	"	1.68	2.89		4.20	5.13		5.48	
POTATOES	CWT	"	1.13	2.02		3.05		3.03		3.02
SWEETPOTATOES	"	"	1.61	5.65		10.10	7.28		9.42	
DRY EDIBLE BEANS	"	"	3.39	7.99	24.10		16.20		16.60	
DRY FIELD PEAS (OPEN MKT)	"	"		4.64	15.80		6.88		7.38	
APPLES, FRESH 3/	LB	CT		6.65		12.4		13.6		13.9
PEACHES, FRESH 3/	"	"		9.20						
STRAWBERRIES, FRESH	"	"		28.3		55.0		62.7	38.5	
PEARS, FRESH 3/	TON	DOL		125.00		183.00		274.00		284.00
CITRUS (EQUIV ON-TREE)	BOX	"								
GRAPEFRUIT	"	"		1.38		1.87		4.32		1.78
LEMONS	"	"		2.45		1.76		4.47		1.60
ORANGES	"	"		1.58		5.03		5.25		4.65
TANGELOS	"	"		2.49		4.17				4.54
TANGERINES	"	"		2.66		5.25		6.97		5.39
TEMPLES	"	"		1.62						
LIMES	"	"				13.87		11.17		9.66
ALL BEEF CATTLE	CWT	DOL	5.52	22.20		34.30	53.20		51.50	
COWS	"	"		16.50		23.00	39.50		39.30	
STEERS, HEIFERS	"	"		24.00		38.00	56.60		55.40	
CALVES	"	"	6.84	26.40		36.80	66.60		66.50	
HOGS	"	"	7.29	19.00		37.80	51.10		46.70	
LAMBS	"	"	5.96	22.20		52.40	62.80		61.90	
SHEEP	"	"	4.59	6.38		14.10	24.40		24.50	
ALL MILK	CWT	DOL	1.61	5.03		10.20		11.30		2/ 11.50
MILK, FLUID MARKET	"	"		5.44		10.50		11.50		2/ 11.70
MILK, MANU. GRADE	"	"		4.07		9.11		10.50		2/ 10.60
BROILERS, LIVE	LB	CT		13.3		21.3		24.8		24.7
EGGS 4/	DOZ	"	21.6	31.2	51.2		52.3		56.8	
TURKEYS, LIVE	LB	"	14.3	20.0	39.0		45.1		46.6	
WOOL 5/	"	"	17.8	39.7		70.6		78.6		79.7
ADJ FOR SEASONAL VARIATION										
ALL MILK	CWT	DOL		5.04		9.71		10.87		6/ 10.95
EGGS	DOZ	CT		31.2	48.3		53.4		54.1	

1/ ALL COTTON. 2/ PRELIMINARY. FAT TEST PERCENT FOR ALL MILK, 3.79; FLUID MILK, 3.78; MANUFACTURING GRADE, 3.82. 3/ EQUIVALENT PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR RETURNS FOR WASH AND OREG, EQUIVALENT FIRST DELIVERY POINT RETURNS FOR CALIF, AND PRICES AS SOLD FOR OTHER STATES. 4/ ALL EGGS, INCLUDING HATCHING EGGS AND EGGS SOLD RETAIL. 5/ AVERAGE LOCAL PRICE, EXCLUDING INCENTIVE PAYMENT. 6/ PRELIMINARY. *CORRECTION.

UNITED STATES PARITY PRICES FOR FARM PRODUCTS AND AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED AS
PERCENTAGE OF PARITY PRICES BASED ON DATA FOR NOVEMBER 1978 WITH COMPARISONS 1/

COMMODITY AND UNIT	ADJUSTED BASE PRICES 2/	PARITY PRICES 3/ BASED ON DATA FOR			AVERAGE PRICES AS PERCENTAGE OF PARITY PRICES		
		NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV
		1977	1978	1978	1977	1978	1978
BASIC COMMODITIES:							
WHEAT, PER BU.	DOL. : .708	5.04	5.39	5.40	49	55	56
RICE, PER CWT.	" : 4/2.06	13.90	15.70	15.70	73	49	50
CORN, PER BU.	" : .495	3.46	3.77	3.78	54	52	54
COTTON, PER LB.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
AMERICAN UPLAND	CT. : 12.10	83.80	92.10	92.30	61	65	66
EXTRA LONG STAPLE	" : 4/18.9	128.0	144.0	144.0			
PEANUTS, PER LB.	" : 4/4.21	28.6	32.0	32.1	71	67	66
TOBACCO, PER LB.	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
FLUE-CURED, TYPES 11-14	" : 4/23.5	161.0	179.0	179.0	61	72	70
VA FIRE-CURED, TYPE 21	" : 4/19.4	130.0	148.0	148.0			
KY-TENN FIRE-CURED, TYPES 22-23	" : 4/21.3	139.0	162.0	163.0			
BURLEY, TYPE 31	" : 4/24.3	167.0	185.0	185.0	72		72
MARYLAND, TYPE 32	" : 5/22.9	155.0	174.0	175.0			
DARK AIR-CURED, TYPES 35-36	" : 4/18.2	117.0	139.0	139.0			
SUN-CURED, TYPE 37	" : 4/18.8	126.0	143.0	143.0			
PA SEEDLEAF, TYPE 41	" : 4/12.1	81.8	92.1	92.3			
CIGAR FILLER AND BINDER, TYPES 42-44, 53-55	" : 4/15.5	102.0	118.0	118.0			
PUERTO RICAN FILLER, TYPE 46	" : 4/15.2	102.0	116.0	116.0			
CIGAR BINDER, TYPES 51-52	" : 4/20.4	136.0	155.0	156.0			
DESIGNATED NONBASIC COMMODITIES:							
TUNG NUTS, PER TON	DOL. : 8.10	71.40	61.60	61.80			
SOYBEANS, PER BU.	" : 1.17	7.63	8.90	8.93	74	70	71
ALL MILK, SOLD TO PLANTS, PER CWT.	" : 1.90	12.90	14.50	14.50	6/75	6/75	6/76
MILKFAT IN CREAM, PER LB.	CT. : .190		145.0	145.0			
HONEY, WHOLEDALE, PER LB.: EXTRACTED	" : 8.68	56.1	66.1	66.2			
WOOL AND MOHAIR:							
WOOL, PER LB.	CT. : 19.7	137.0	150.0	150.0	8/52	8/52	8/53
MOHAIR, PER LB.	" : 39.2	245.0	298.0	299.0			
OTHER NONBASIC COMMODITIES:							
BARLEY, PER BU.	DOL. : 4.36	3.00	3.32	3.33	61	57	56
COTTONSEED, PER TON	" : 4/20.00	142.0	152.0	153.0	50	72	74
DRY EDIBLE BEANS, PER CWT.	" : 3.95	26.7	30.1	30.1	90	54	55
FLAXSEED, PER BU.	" : 1.26	8.59	9.59	9.61	49	53	57
DATS, PER BU.	" : .256	1.74	1.95	1.95	63	55	59
POTATOES, PER CWT.	" : 4/.847	5.76	6.45	6.46	53	47	47
RYE, PER BU.	" : .411	2.79	3.13	3.14			
SORGHUM GRAIN, PER CWT.	" : .821	5.78	6.25	6.26	52	54	55
SWEETPOTATOES, PER CWT.	" : 2.03	13.90	15.40	15.50	73	47	61
APPLES, FOR FRESH USE, PER LB. 9/	CT. : 2.39	16.4	18.2	18.2	76	75	76
CITRUS (EQUIV. ON-TREE), PER BOX:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
GRAPEFRUIT	DOL. : 4/.434	3.19	3.30	3.31	59	131	54
LEMONS	" : 4/.829	6.14	6.31	6.33	29	71	25
LIMES	" : 4/1.57	8.93	11.90	12.00	155	94	81
ORANGES	" : 4/.526	3.32	4.00	4.01	152	131	116
TANGERINES	" : 4/.816	5.71	6.21	6.23	92	112	87
TEMPLES	" : 4/.555	3.55	4.22	4.23			
BEEF CATTLE, PER CWT.	" : 8.37	58.40	63.70	63.90	59	84	81
CALVES, PER CWT.	" : 9.68	68.20	73.70	73.90	54	90	90
HOGS, PER CWT.	" : 8.21	55.50	62.50	62.60	68	82	75
LAMBS, PER CWT.	" : 9.32	62.00	70.90	71.10	85	89	87
SHEEP, PER CWT.	" : 2.58	17.40	19.60	19.70	81	124	124
EGG, PER DOZ.	CT. : 11.8	81.1	89.8	90.0	6/60	6/59	6/60
TURKEYS, LIVE, PER LB.	" : 7.16	49.3	54.5	54.6	79	83	85

SEE FOOTNOTES ON PAGE 6.

PARITY PRICES BASED ON DATA FOR NOVEMBER 1978, UNITED STATES 1/

OTHER NONBASIC COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)	ADJUSTED	PARITY	OTHER NONBASIC COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)	ADJUSTED	PARITY
	BASE PRICES 4/	PRICES 3/		BASE PRICES 4/	PRICES 3/
DOLLARS			DOLLARS		
FIELD CROPS AND MISC COMMODITIES			NONCITRUS FRUITS:		
			PEACHES		
			FOR FRESH USE, LB 11/	.0325	24.80
CRUDE PINE GUM, BBL	2/ 14.00	107.00	DRIED (CALIF), TON	273.00	2,080.00
HOPS, LB	.185	1.47	FOR PROCESSING (EXCL DRIED)		
TOBACCO, LB			CLINGSTONE (CALIF), TON 10/	25.60	195.00
CIGAR WRAPPER, TYPE 61	14/		PEARS		
CIGAR WRAPPER, TYPE 62	.866	6.61	FOR FRESH USE, TON 12/	40.26	307.00
			DRIED (CALIF), TON	254.00	1,940.00
NONCITRUS FRUITS:			PLUMS (CALIF) EQUIV.		
APPLES, FOR PROCESSING, TON	20.20	154.00	ON-TREE, TON		
			FOR FRESH USE	53.40	407.00
APRICOTS, TON					
FOR FRESH USE	111.00	847.00	PRUNES, DRIED (CALIF), TON	101.00	771.00
DRIED (CALIF)	439.00	3,350.00	PRUNES AND PLUMS		
AVOCADOS, TON	147.00	1,120.00	(EXCL CALIF), TON		
CHERRIES			FOR FRESH USE	57.10	436.00
SWEET, TON	103.00	786.00	FOR PROCESSING (EXCL DRIED)	20.70	158.00
TART, LB	.0395	.301			
CRANBERRIES, BBL	3.50	26.70	TREE NUTS, TON:		
DATES (CALIF), TON	57.90	442.00	ALMONDS	217.00	1,660.00
GRAPES, TON			FILBERTS	148.00	1,130.00
RAISIN VARIETIES			WALNUTS	139.00	1,060.00
DRIED (CALIF)	139.00	1,060.00			
GRAPES EXCL RAISIN			VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET		
VARIETIES DRIED	34.40	262.00	CWT.		
NECTARINES (CALIF)			CANTALOUPE	2.15	16.40
TON			CARROTS 13/	1.39	10.60
FOR FRESH USE 10/	52.40	400.00	CAULIFLOWER 13/	3.29	25.10
OLIVES (CALIF)			CELERY 13/	1.66	12.70
FOR CANNING, TON 10/	97.60	745.00	HONEYDEW MELONS	2.01	15.30
			LETTUCE	1.69	12.90
			ONIONS 13/	1.51	11.50
			TOMATOES	4.08	31.10

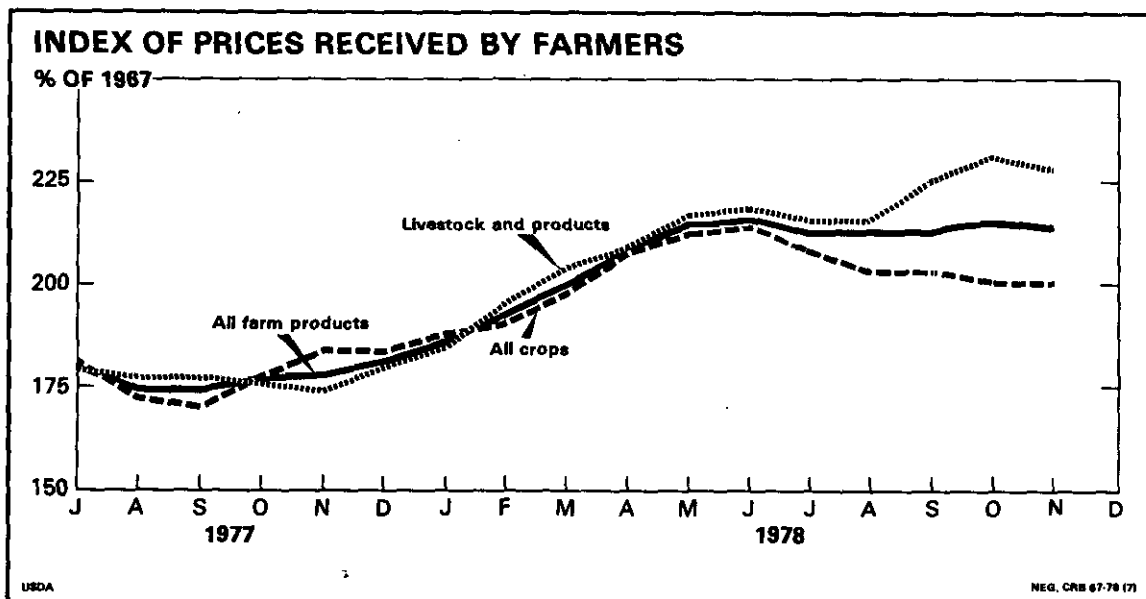
1/ PARITY PRICES ARE COMPUTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE III, SUBTITLE A, SECTION 301 (A) OF THE AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ACT OF 1938 AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURAL ACTS OF 1948, 1949, 1954, AND 1956.
 2/ ADJUSTED BASE PRICE 1910-14 DERIVED FROM 120-MONTH, JAN 1968-DEC 1977 AVERAGE (INCLUDING AN ALLOWANCE WHERE APPROPRIATE FOR UNREDEEMED LOANS AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS RESULTING FROM PRICE SUPPORT OPERATIONS) BY DIVIDING BY 380 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 MONTH 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 1968-77 (INCLUDING AN ALLOWANCE, WHERE APPROPRIATE, FOR UNREDEEMED LOANS, AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS RESULTING FROM PRICE SUPPORT OPERATIONS).
 5/ ADJUSTED BASE PRICE 1910-14 DERIVED FROM 10 WEIGHTED CALENDAR YEAR PRICES 1968-77.
 6/ SEASONALLY ADJUSTED PRICE AS PERCENTAGE OF PARITY PRICE.
 7/ ADJUSTED BASE PRICE DERIVED FROM STATE ANNUAL AVERAGE PRICES WEIGHTED BY PRODUCTION.
 8/ AVERAGE LOCAL MARKET PRICE, EXCLUDING INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.
 9/ EQUIVALENT PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR RETURNS FOR APPLES FOR WASHINGTON AND OREG, EQUIVALENT FIRST DELIVERY POINT RETURNS FOR CALIF, AND PRICE AT POINT OF FIRST SALE FOR OTHER STATES.
 10/ EQUIVALENT RETURNS FOR BULK FRUIT AT FIRST DELIVERY POINT.
 11/ BASED ON PRICES FOR FRESH PEACHES IN N Y, PA, MICH, N C, S C, GA, WASH, CALIF, N J, MD, W VA, ILL, OHIO, OREG AND ALA AND AVERAGE PRICE FOR ALL METHODS OF SALE FOR OTHER STATES.
 12/ BASED ON PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR RETURNS FOR FRESH PEARS FOR WASH AND OREG, EQUIVALENT FIRST DELIVERY POINT RETURNS FOR FRESH PEARS FOR CALIF, AVERAGE PRICES AS SOLD FOR FRESH USE FOR N Y AND MICH, AND AVERAGE PRICES FOR ALL METHODS OF SALES FOR OTHER STATES.
 13/ INCLUDES SOME PROCESSING.
 14/ NOT AVAILABLE.

SEE PAGE 25 JANUARY 1978 AGRICULTURAL PRICES FOR DETAILS ON PARITY PRICE COMPUTATIONS.

INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978
WITH COMPARISONS

INDEX	AVERAGE JAN-DEC 1967	1970-74=100				1967=100			
		1977		1978		1977		1978	
		OCT	NOV	OCT	NOV	OCT	NOV	OCT	NOV
UNADJUSTED									
ALL FARM PRODUCTS	250	442	445	543	536	177	178	217	214
ALL CROPS	225	400	414	*451	450	178	184	*200	200
FOOD GRAINS	176	283	305	*343	350	161	173	*195	199
FEED GRAINS & HAY	174	264	290	302	309	152	167	174	178
FEED GRAINS	172	250	279	*294	302	145	162	*171	176
COTTON	190	448	428	*503	512	236	225	*265	269
TOBACCO	555	983	993	1,107	1,115	177	179	199	201
OIL-BEARING CROPS	269	519	544	*616	621	193	202	*229	231
FRUIT	227	496	434	*548	465	219	191	*241	205
FRESH MARKET 1/	222	519	446	*574	475	234	201	*259	214
COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES	283	459	512	*451	474	162	181	*159	167
FRESH MARKET	334	597	708	*576	621	179	212	*172	186
POTATOES, ETC. 2/	187	334	345	296	303	179	184	158	162
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS	275	485	478	*639	626	176	174	232	228
MEAT ANIMALS	335	570	552	830	792	170	165	248	236
DAIRY PRODUCTS	308	618	624	*691	704	201	203	224	229
POULTRY & EGGS	131	214	217	238	248	163	166	182	189
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
FRESH MARKET FRUIT 1/	223	494	460	*546	490	222	206	*245	220
FRESH MARKET VEGETABLES	340	670	666	649	589	197	196	191	173
POTATOES, ETC. 2/	187	414	401	372	357	221	214	199	191
DAIRY PRODUCTS	308	600	594	*664	670	195	193	*216	218
POULTRY & EGGS	131	220	222	241	250	168	169	184	191

1/ FRESH MARKET FOR NONCITRUS AND FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING FOR CITRUS. 2/ INCLUDES SWEETPOTATOES AND DRY EDIBLE BEANS. * REVISED.



INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES
AND RELATED DATA, UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

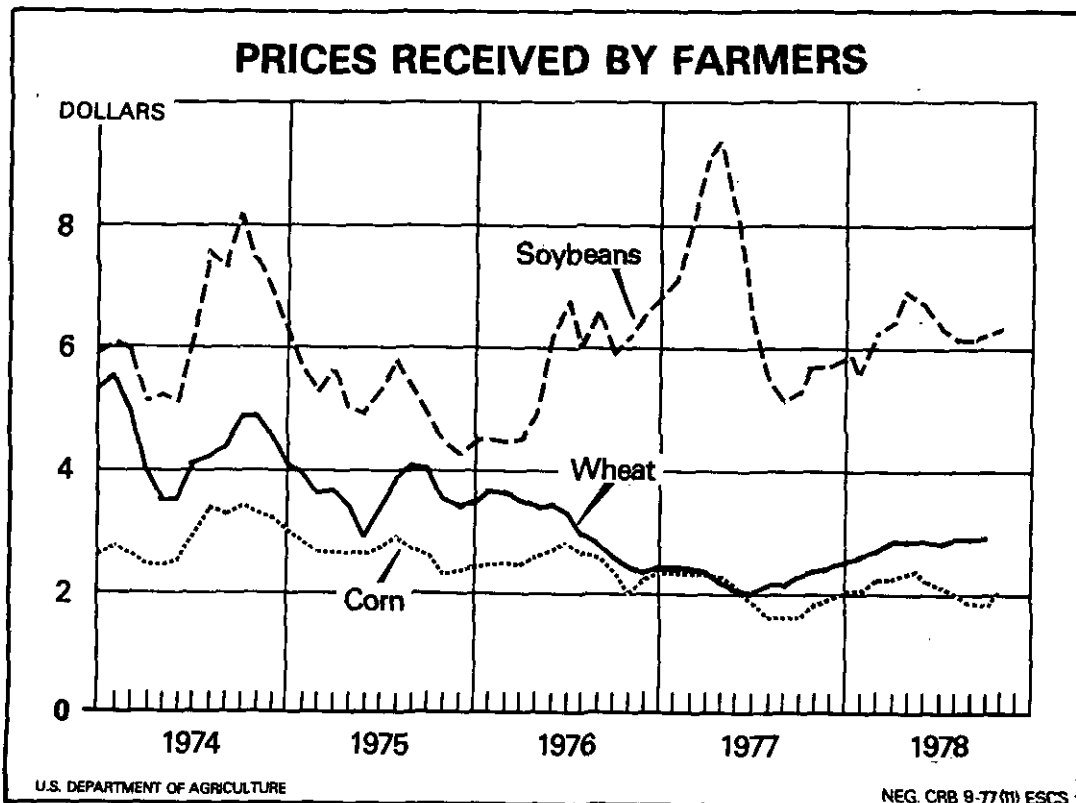
INDEXES AND RATIOS	1910-14=100					1967=100				
	1977		1978			1977		1978		
	OCT 15	NOV 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	NOV 15	OCT 15	NOV 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	NOV 15
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES & SERVICES, INTEREST, TAXES, & WAGE RATES (PARITY INDEX 1910-14=100)	685	688	757	1/760	763	201	202	223	224	224
PRODUCTION ITEMS	574	576	639	644	646	198	199	220	222	223
FEED	349	368	380	1/382	393	164	172	178	179	184
FEEDER LIVESTOCK	632	606	923	1/954	926	164	157	239	1/247	240
SEED	633	633	656	656	656	266	266	276	276	276
FERTILIZER	267	267	266	264	264	182	182	181	179	179
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS	424	424	404	404	404	153	153	146	146	146
FUELS & ENERGY	361	362	380	381	384	204	205	215	215	217
FARM & MOTOR SUPPLIES	447	442	459	461	471	167	165	171	172	176
AUTOS & TRUCKS	1,158	1,171	1,227	1,221	1,279	236	238	250	248	260
TRACTORS & SELF-PROPELLED MACHINERY	1,244	1,244	1,378	1,378	1,378	245	245	272	272	272
OTHER MACHINERY	1,151	1,151	1,254	1,254	1,254	253	253	276	276	276
BUILDING & FENCING	958	959	1,017	1,030	1,034	237	237	252	255	256
FARM SERVICES & CASH RENT	682	682	719	719	719	235	235	248	248	248
INTEREST 2/	1,610	1,610	1,870	1,870	1,870	331	331	384	384	384
TAXES 3/	1,657	1,657	1,783	1,783	1,783	195	195	210	210	210
WAGE RATES 4/	1,867	1,867	2,054	1/2,009	2,009	220	220	243	1/237	237
PRODUCTION ITEMS, INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES	733	735	817	1/821	823	206	206	229	231	231
FAMILY LIVING - CPI 5/	584	585	628	632	638	184	185	198	199	201
PRICES PAID - PRODUCTION ITEMS & FAMILY LIVING	591	593	651	656	659	196	197	216	218	219
PARITY RATIO 6/	65	65	71	71	70					
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (PRELIM.) 7/	66	66	73	73	72					
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX 8/										
ALL COMMODITIES						196	197	212	215	
INDUSTRIAL COMMODITIES						199	199	212	215	
FARM PROD & PROC FOODS & FEEDS						184	187	210	214	

1/ REVISED. 2/ INTEREST PAYABLE PER ACRE ON FARM REAL ESTATE DEBT. 3/ FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES PAYABLE PER ACRE. 4/ SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, ANNUAL AVERAGE IS SIMPLE AVERAGE OF QUARTERLY INDEXES. 5/ BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U), FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH. 6/ RATIO OF INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED TO INDEX OF PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES AND WAGE RATES. 7/ THE PRELIMINARY ADJUSTMENT FACTOR USED FOR COMPUTING THE ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO IS BASED ON ESTIMATED CASH RECEIPTS FROM MARKETINGS AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS. THE ADJUSTMENT FACTOR IS 102.6 FOR 1978 AND THE REVISED ADJUSTMENT FACTOR IS 101.8 FOR 1977. SEE PAGE 30, APRIL 1967 AGRICULTURAL PRICES, FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE METHOD OF MAKING CURRENT ESTIMATES OF THE ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO. 8/ BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS INDEXES.

AVERAGE MONTHLY PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, U S., 1974 TO DATE

YEAR AND MONTH	ALL WHEAT	CORN	SOYBEANS	YEAR AND MONTH	ALL WHEAT	CORN	SOYBEANS	YEAR AND MONTH	ALL WHEAT	CORN	SOYBEANS
PRICE PER BUSHEL			PRICE PER BUSHEL			PRICE PER BUSHEL					
<u>1974</u>			<u>1976</u>			<u>1978</u>					
JAN	5.29	2.59	5.87	JAN	3.43	2.44	4.46	JAN	2.53	2.00	5.75
FEB	5.52	2.76	6.07	FEB	3.66	2.48	4.50	FEB	2.59	2.03	5.53
MAR	4.96	2.68	5.96	MAR	3.65	2.50	4.46	MAR	2.67	2.15	6.20
APR	3.98	2.41	5.15	APR	3.50	2.46	4.52	APR	2.82	2.24	6.49
MAY	3.52	2.45	5.21	MAY	3.43	2.61	4.87	MAY	2.82	2.29	6.77
JUN	3.57	2.57	5.13	JUN	3.46	2.74	6.16	JUN	2.82	2.28	6.69
JUL	4.04	2.91	6.11	JUL	3.33	2.82	6.73	JUL	2.80	2.16	6.39
AUG	4.24	3.37	7.55	AUG	2.97	2.64	6.07	AUG	2.88	2.00	6.21
SEP	4.32	3.30	7.32	SEP	2.88	2.60	6.65	SEP	2.92	1.98	6.19
OCT	4.85	3.45	8.17	OCT	2.59	2.33	5.90	OCT	2.99	1.97	6.26
NOV	4.87	3.32	7.44	NOV	2.46	2.02	6.11	NOV	1/3.05	2.03	6.31
DEC	4.65	3.27	7.03	DEC	2.39	2.24	6.56	DEC			
<u>1975</u>			<u>1977</u>								
JAN	4.11	3.07	6.30	JAN	2.43	2.34	6.81				
FEB	3.95	2.86	5.72	FEB	2.47	2.34	7.06				
MAR	3.65	2.67	5.31	MAR	2.43	2.35	7.83				
APR	3.69	2.68	5.60	APR	2.37	2.31	9.05				
MAY	3.47	2.66	5.00	MAY	2.19	2.25	9.24				
JUN	2.92	2.68	4.90	JUN	2.03	2.12	8.13				
JUL	3.33	2.72	5.28	JUL	2.04	1.88	6.52				
AUG	3.89	2.95	5.80	AUG	2.13	1.63	5.48				
SEP	4.11	2.76	5.32	SEP	2.16	1.60	5.17				
OCT	4.02	2.62	4.92	OCT	2.30	1.67	5.28				
NOV	3.58	2.33	4.45	NOV	2.46	1.88	5.61				
DEC	3.41	2.37	4.28	DEC	2.47	1.96	5.96				

1/ MID-MONTH.



AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES

STATE	ALL WHEAT PER BU.		WINTER WHEAT PER BU.		OTHER SPRING WHEAT PER BU.		CORN PER BU.	
	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	OCT 1978	NOV 1978
	1/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/
D O L L A R S								
ARIZ	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
ARK	3.09	--	3.09	--	--	--	--	--
CALIF	3.41	3.43	3.41	3.43	--	--	--	--
COLO	2.81	2.80	2.81	2.80	--	--	2.11	2.20
GA	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.28	2.42
IDAHO	3.05	3.11	3.05	3.15	3.03	3.05	--	--
ILL	3.22	3.30	3.22	3.30	--	--	2.00	2.10
IND	3.21	3.29	3.21	3.29	--	--	1.92	2.06
IOWA	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.87	1.95
KANS	2.98	2.99	2.98	2.99	--	--	2.17	2.18
KY	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.14	2.19
MICH	3.42	3.48	3.42	3.48	--	--	1.95	1.96
MINN	2.93	3.03	2.79	2.90	2.93	3.03	1.76	1.82
MO	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	--	--	1.97	2.09
MONT	2.81	2.88	2.81	2.89	2.79	2.87	--	--
NEBR	2.83	2.90	2.83	2.90	--	--	2.00	1.96
N C	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.31	2.37
N DAK	2.81	2.86	2.58	2.51	2.78	2.82	--	--
OHIO	3.34	3.48	3.34	3.48	--	--	2.02	2.06
OKLA	3.12	3.14	3.12	3.14	--	--	--	--
OREG	3.45	3.43	3.45	3.43	--	--	--	--
PA	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.20	2.20
S DAK	2.86	2.82	2.68	2.67	2.90	2.93	1.61	1.65
TEX	3.03	3.06	3.03	3.06	--	--	2.41	2.41
WASH	3.40	3.45	3.40	3.45	--	--	--	--
WIS	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.86	1.96
U S	2.99	3.05	3.06	3.13	2.82	2.90	1.97	2.03

1/ REVISED--ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ PRELIMINARY MID-MONTH

AVERAGE PRICE PER CWT. RECEIVED BY FARMERS, U S

R I C E		
PRELIMINARY NOV 1978	:	REVISED OCT 1978
7.85	D O L L A R S	7.62

RICE SEASON AVERAGE PRICES, 1976-77

STATE	SEASON AVERAGE PRICE		STATE	SEASON AVERAGE PRICE	
	1976	1977		1976	1977
ARK	7.25	9.79	MISS	6.79	10.20
CALIF	6.91	9.15	MO	7.49	9.70
LA	6.53	8.94	TEX	7.21	9.55
			U S	7.02	9.49

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES

STATE	OATS PER BU.		BARLEY PER BU.		SORGHUM GRAIN PER CWT.		SOYBEANS PER BU.	
	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	OCT 1978	NOV 1978
	1/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/
	D O L L A R S							
ALA	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.31	6.26
ARIZ	--	--	--	--	4.67	4.68	--	--
ARK	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.41	6.48
CALIF	1.64	1.91	2.39	2.41	4.34	4.47	--	--
COLO	--	--	2.44	2.42	--	--	--	--
GA	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.17	6.23
IDAHO	1.30	1.40	1.89	1.83	--	--	--	--
ILL	1.15	1.21	--	--	--	--	6.29	6.34
IND	1.44	1.42	--	--	--	--	6.29	6.27
IOWA	1.04	1.12	--	--	--	--	6.16	6.12
KANS	--	--	--	--	3.34	3.32	6.25	6.05
KY	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.29	6.31
LA	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.23	6.45
MICH	1.25	1.24	--	--	--	--	6.32	6.34
MINN	1.06	1.17	1.87	2.00	--	--	6.04	6.00
MISS	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.30	6.37
MO	--	--	--	--	3.07	3.15	6.25	6.16
MONT	1.21	1.07	1.75	1.62	--	--	--	--
NEBR	1.17	1.11	--	--	3.12	3.15	6.09	5.98
N MEX	--	--	--	--	3.79	3.85	--	--
N Y	1.13	1.21	--	--	--	--	--	--
N C	1.16	1.21	--	--	--	--	6.22	6.42
N DAK	.95	.99	1.76	1.77	--	--	--	--
OHIO	1.36	1.32	--	--	--	--	6.32	6.38
OKLA	1.32	1.43	1.73	1.74	3.52	3.68	--	--
OREG	1.32	1.34	1.80	1.83	--	--	--	--
PA	1.41	1.38	1.80	1.66	--	--	--	--
S C	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.39	6.41
S DAK	1.06	1.08	1.70	1.89	--	--	--	--
TENN	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.43	6.33
TEX	1.56	--	--	--	3.78	3.76	--	--
UTAH	--	--	2.04	2.03	--	--	--	--
WASH	--	--	1.72	1.72	--	--	--	--
WIS	1.07	1.13	--	--	--	--	--	--
WYO	--	--	2.21	2.25	--	--	--	--
U S	1.06	1.16	1.88	1.86	3.36	3.45	6.26	6.31

1/ REVISED--ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ PRELIMINARY MID-MONTH

5-MONTH AVERAGE WHEAT AND BARLEY PRICES, UNITED STATES, JUNE-OCTOBER 1978

MONTH	WHEAT		BARLEY	
	AVERAGE PRICE PER BUSHEL 1/	PERCENT OF SALES 2/	AVERAGE PRICE PER BUSHEL 1/	PERCENT OF SALES 2/
	DOLLARS		DOLLARS	
JUN	2.82	11.1	2.04	7.7
JUL	2.80	12.1	1.84	5.9
AUG	2.88	12.4	1.87	10.2
SEP	2.92	11.1	1.84	6.6
OCT	2.99	9.5	1.88	6.4
5-MONTH 3/	2.88		1.90	

1/ PRICES PUBLISHED IN AGRICULTURAL PRICES, JULY-NOVEMBER 1978. 2/ COMPUTED TOTAL SALES FOR 1978 CROP BASED ON AVERAGE PERCENT SOLD FROM THE 1975, 1976 AND 1977 CROPS DERIVED FROM TOTAL SALES AND PRODUCTION AS PUBLISHED IN FIELD CROPS - PRODUCTION, FARM USE, SALES AND VALUE APRIL 10, 1978. MONTHLY PERCENTS BASED ON REPORTED QUANTITIES SOLD AS PERCENT OF TOTAL SALES. 3/ 5-MONTH WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE USING PERCENT OF SALES AS WEIGHTS.

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	PEANUTS	TOBACCO	APPLES	FLAX-	DRY	SWEET
	PER LB.	PER LB. 1/	FRESH USE PER LB. 1/ 2/1	SEED PER BU.	EDIBLE BEANS PER CWT. 1	POTATOES PER CWT.
	CENTS			DOLLARS		
ALA	21.6	--	--	--	--	15.55
CALIF	--	--	12.5	--	23.80	11.70
COLO	--	--	13.0	--	15.10	--
CONN	--	--	13.0	--	--	--
GA	21.4	--	--	--	--	11.10
IDAHO	--	--	20.2	--	14.80	--
ILL	--	--	11.5	--	--	--
IND	--	132.5	14.8	--	--	--
KY	--	133.5	--	--	--	--
LA	--	--	--	--	--	5.85
MAINE	--	--	13.0	--	--	--
MD	--	--	16.9	--	--	5.80
MASS	--	--	13.0	--	--	--
MICH	--	--	10.7	--	13.60	--
MINN	--	--	--	5.53	13.30	--
MISS	--	--	--	--	--	10.90
MO	--	130.0	17.9	--	--	--
NEBR	--	--	--	--	16.00	--
N H	--	--	13.0	--	--	--
N J	--	--	14.0	--	--	--
N Y	--	--	15.2	--	16.50	--
N C	22.1	125.0	13.0	--	--	9.00
N DAK	--	--	--	5.46	13.00	--
OHIO	--	134.0	16.4	--	--	--
OKLA	21.0	--	--	--	--	--
OREG	--	--	11.0	--	--	--
PA	--	--	13.9	--	--	--
S DAK	--	--	--	5.49	--	--
TENN	--	131.5	--	--	--	10.00
TEX	20.1	--	--	--	--	12.50
VT	--	--	13.0	--	--	--
VA	21.8	129.1	13.8	--	--	11.35
WASH	--	--	14.1	--	16.50	--
W VA	--	128.5	15.0	--	--	--
WIS	--	--	12.5	--	--	--
WYO	--	--	--	--	14.90	--
U S	21.1	130.9	13.9	5.48	16.60	9.42

1/ AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH, 2/ 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 RECEIVED BY GROWERS FOR PEANUTS AND TOBACCO BY AREAS AND TYPES (CENTS PER POUND)

AREA	PEANUTS		CLASS	TOBACCO	
	NOV 15, 1977	NOV 15, 1978		TYPE	NOV 1977
VIRGINIA-CAROLINA	20.7	21.9	TOTAL OLD & MIDDLE BELT	11	98.3 125.6
SOUTHEAST	22.2	21.5	TOTAL N C BELT	12	94.0 123.5
SOUTHWEST	19.9	20.5	TOTAL FLUE-CURED	11-14	98.1 124.9
			TOTAL BURLEY BELT	31	121.0 132.8
U S	20.4	21.1	U S		116.6 130.9

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES

STATE	AMERICAN UPLAND COTTON PER LB.		NOVEMBER 15, 1978			
			COTTON SEED PER TON	HAY, BALEU, PER TON		
	OCT 1978 1/ 2/	NOV 1978 1/ 3/		ALL	ALFALFA	OTHER
	CENTS		DOLLARS			
ALA	59.3	62.3	110.00	--	--	--
ARIZ	61.0	59.5	78.00	57.50	58.00	51.00
ARK	60.4	61.1	124.00	42.00	56.50	40.00
CALIF	63.1	61.5	122.00	57.00	60.00	37.00
COLO	--	--	--	48.00	48.50	47.50
GA	61.2	61.7	109.00	56.00	--	56.00
IDAHO	--	--	--	33.50	34.50	29.00
ILL	--	--	--	52.50	56.00	46.50
IND	--	--	--	52.00	55.50	47.50
IOWA	--	--	--	47.50	50.00	40.50
KANS	--	--	--	48.00	51.00	43.00
KY	--	--	--	50.50	60.00	48.00
LA	60.1	61.0	120.00	--	--	--
MICH	--	--	--	50.00	52.00	40.00
MINN	--	--	--	41.00	43.50	31.50
MISS	59.5	60.4	124.00	--	--	--
MO	60.6	61.4	109.00	49.00	57.50	44.50
MONT	--	--	--	39.00	40.00	37.00
NEBR	--	--	--	31.00	31.50	30.50
NEV	--	--	--	51.50	56.00	42.00
N MEX	--	--	--	69.00	70.50	55.00
N Y	--	--	--	59.00	65.00	52.00
N DAK	--	--	--	31.50	34.50	26.00
OHIO	--	--	--	52.00	53.00	50.50
OKLA	61.2	60.0	120.00	61.50	72.00	53.50
OREG	--	--	--	47.50	53.50	40.00
PA	--	--	--	62.00	71.50	52.50
S C	63.7	64.0	--	--	--	--
S DAK	--	--	--	27.50	30.00	22.50
TENN	62.1	62.2	116.00	--	--	--
TEX	57.4	58.1	115.00	55.50	70.00	53.00
UTAH	--	--	--	45.50	46.50	39.50
WASH	--	--	--	46.50	50.00	37.50
WIS	--	--	--	34.50	35.50	29.50
WYO	--	--	--	46.50	46.00	47.00
U S	59.6	60.6	113.00	46.40 4/	48.70 4/	41.00

1/ PRICE BASED ON 480 POUND NET WEIGHT BALE. 2/ REVISED--ENTIRE MONTH.
 3/ PRELIMINARY. 4/ CORRECTION: OCTOBER 15, 1978 ALL HAY, \$47.10;
 ALFALFA HAY, \$49.60.

AVERAGE PRICES PER CWT. RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	HOGS	COWS 1/	STEERS AND HEIFERS	BEEF CATTLE 2/	CALVES
D O L L A R S					
ALA	46.70	39.60	51.60	47.20	61.30
ARIZ	--	37.30	50.10	49.60	66.60
ARK	--	39.90	61.70	58.00	66.00
CALIF	--	39.80	51.50	49.20	63.40
COLO	--	42.50	53.10	52.70	73.60
FLA	--	39.50	56.50	48.70	64.60
GA	45.40	41.00	56.30	50.20	65.80
IDAHO	--	40.10	52.40	51.00	67.30
ILL	46.70	38.90	52.30	50.70	62.50
IND	46.40	38.70	51.00	48.30	61.00
IOWA	46.60	40.20	53.10	52.40	62.60
KANS	47.20	39.10	59.10	56.30	67.80
KY	47.10	38.30	54.30	50.00	61.30
LA	--	39.20	58.90	47.60	66.50
MICH	47.70	40.00	53.20	48.20	68.90
MINN	46.90	39.90	50.30	44.80	65.00
MISS	47.70	37.90	59.00	48.20	65.20
MO	46.70	37.30	56.80	51.50	64.80
MONT	--	40.80	60.00	53.50	73.20
NEBR	46.20	39.00	54.40	52.30	69.40
NEV	--	37.00	54.00	50.60	66.00
N MEX	--	38.30	55.10	53.60	64.20
N Y	--	40.20	47.00	41.10	72.70
N C	48.90	39.30	52.30	45.50	63.00
N DAK	--	38.50	57.60	52.90	72.40
OHIO	47.20	40.00	53.60	50.10	68.50
OKLA	47.40	37.40	59.10	55.80	66.80
OREG	--	38.50	50.20	47.70	57.40
PA	48.70	41.10	51.90	45.30	78.00
S C	46.60	41.30	53.00	47.40	64.90
S DAK	46.60	39.60	57.00	54.60	68.30
TENN	47.40	38.40	58.20	50.60	63.10
TEX	44.40	38.30	54.80	49.60	67.10
UTAH	--	37.80	55.50	52.70	68.30
VA	47.50	36.60	47.10	42.40	67.10
WASH	--	39.50	52.80	49.90	58.60
WIS	46.50	40.00	48.60	41.70	64.80
WYO	--	42.50	60.90	54.90	75.00
U S	46.70	39.30	55.40	51.50	66.50

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, NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	SHEEP	LAMBS	WOOL		TURKEYS	BROILERS	EGGS
	PER CWT.	PER CWT.	PER LB.	1/ 2/	PER LB.	PER LB. 1/	PER DOZ. 3/
	D O L L A R S			C E N T S			
ALA	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 23.5	68.1
ARIZ	20.00	59.50	76.0	--	--	--	--
ARK	--	--	--	--	47.0	24.5	57.5
CALIF	17.60	59.30	76.0	--	48.0	27.0	43.8
COLO	20.00	58.90	75.0	--	--	--	--
CONN	--	--	--	--	--	--	76.6
DEL	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 25.5	--
FLA	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 24.0	47.7
GA	--	--	--	--	44.0	4/ 24.5	69.7
IDAHO	16.50	58.70	73.0	--	--	--	--
ILL	15.50	55.50	66.0	--	45.0	--	58.0
IND	18.40	52.40	64.0	--	38.0	--	52.6
IOWA	17.00	59.10	69.0	--	47.0	--	47.1
KANS	14.60	56.60	73.0	--	--	--	50.3
KY	--	--	--	--	--	--	52.8
LA	--	--	--	--	--	25.5	69.5
MAINE	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 23.0	72.6
MO	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 25.5	--
MASS	--	--	--	--	--	--	74.5
MICH	22.00	60.60	65.0	--	52.0	--	52.1
MINN	22.50	61.80	72.0	--	46.0	--	45.4
MISS	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 26.0	63.9
MO	19.00	56.80	70.0	--	48.0	--	51.1
MONT	18.80	69.60	81.0	--	--	--	--
NEBR	18.10	58.00	73.0	--	50.0	--	44.5
NEV	17.00	58.00	75.0	--	--	--	--
N J	--	--	--	--	--	--	64.1
N MEX	23.00	69.00	85.0	--	--	--	--
N Y	--	--	--	--	--	--	57.5
N C	--	--	--	--	44.0	4/ 24.5	65.9
N DAK	15.60	61.20	70.0	--	--	--	--
OHIO	21.50	55.90	65.0	--	48.0	--	50.7
OKLA	--	--	--	--	--	25.0	--
OREG	18.00	60.80	75.0	--	47.0	--	56.5
PA	--	--	--	--	50.0	26.0	53.9
S C	--	--	--	--	41.0	4/ 24.0	59.2
S DAK	16.90	60.40	80.0	--	46.0	--	41.1
TENN	--	--	--	--	--	4/ 22.0	57.2
TEX	32.60	71.30	90.0	--	47.0	26.0	65.2
UTAH	18.10	59.60	76.0	--	52.0	--	--
VA	--	--	--	--	46.0	4/ 23.5	68.3
WASH	--	--	--	--	--	--	52.5
WIS	--	--	--	--	49.0	--	46.9
WYO	31.70	70.20	75.0	--	--	--	--
U S	24.50	61.90	79.7	--	46.6	24.7	56.8

1/ AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH. 2/ INCENTIVE PAYMENT NOT INCLUDED. 3/ AVERAGE OF ALL EGGS SOLD BY FARMERS INCLUDING HATCHING EGGS AND EGGS SOLD RETAIL. 4/ LIVELINE EQUIVALENT PRICE.

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES,
OCTOBER 1978 AND NOVEMBER 1978

STATE	MILK SOLD TO PLANTS, PRICE PER CWT OCT 1978						NOV 1978		
	ELIGIBLE FOR		MANUFACTURING		ALL MILK		ALL MILK 2/		MILK COWS
	FLUID MARKET 1/		GRADE		PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PER HEAD
	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PER CWT
	DOL	PCT	DOL	PCT	DOL	PCT	DOL	PCT	DOL
ALA	11.90	3.63	9.10	3.88	11.80	3.64	11.90	3.73	440
ARIZ	11.60	3.52			11.60	3.52	11.70	3.65	
ARK	12.10	3.63	10.00	3.73	11.60	3.66	11.80	3.75	465
CALIF	10.70	3.60	9.95	3.84	10.70	3.61	11.00	3.74	1100
COLO	11.80	3.60			11.70	3.60	11.90	3.72	735
CONN	12.70	3.77			12.70	3.77	12.80	3.83	
FLA	13.40	3.51			13.40	3.51	13.60	3.58	700
GA	11.90	3.65			11.90	3.65	12.10	3.75	680
IDAHO	11.00	3.71	10.35	3.61	10.60	3.65	10.85	3.78	580
ILL	11.40	3.78	10.60	3.75	11.20	3.77	11.40	3.84	500
IND	11.80	3.78	9.35	3.80	11.60	3.78	11.90	3.88	655
IOWA	11.50	3.79	10.50	3.70	11.10	3.75	11.30	3.81	660
KANS	11.70	3.67	10.20	3.72	11.40	3.68	11.80	3.81	630
KY	11.60	3.68	9.60	3.82	11.10	3.71	11.40	3.82	565
LA	12.30	3.73			12.30	3.73	12.50	3.82	625
MAINE	12.60	3.77			12.60	3.77	12.80	3.82	
MD	11.80	3.71			11.80	3.71	12.00	3.77	675
MASS	12.70	3.73			12.70	3.73	12.70	3.78	
MICH	11.30	3.72	9.50	3.72	11.20	3.72	11.40	3.80	630
MINN	10.96	3.76	10.26	3.66	10.61	3.71	10.70	3.73	760
MISS	11.80	3.75	9.55	3.90	11.70	3.76	12.00	3.83	600
MO	11.40	3.70	10.00	3.74	11.00	3.71	11.30	3.81	545
NEBR	11.30	3.74	10.30	3.72	10.90	3.73	11.20	3.83	665
N J	12.20	3.71			12.20	3.71	12.40	3.78	
N Y	11.70	3.68			11.70	3.68	11.70	3.68	645
N C	11.80	3.62	10.30	3.90	11.80	3.63	11.90	3.71	440
N DAK	10.80	3.73	10.10	3.68	10.40	3.70	10.60	3.75	655
OHIO	11.70	3.72	9.15	3.75	11.50	3.72	11.80	3.80	650
OKLA	12.00	3.60	10.10	3.61	11.80	3.60	12.00	3.72	575
OREG	11.50	3.80	11.20	4.30	11.50	3.87	11.80	3.96	770
PA	11.80	3.75	10.50	3.68	11.80	3.75	11.90	3.80	785
S DAK	11.10	3.70	10.50	3.65	10.70	3.67	10.90	3.71	720
TENN	11.50	3.73	9.60	3.90	11.20	3.76	11.40	3.88	505
TEX	12.10	3.59			12.10	3.59	12.40	3.65	425
UTAH	11.10	3.56	10.40	3.63	10.90	3.58	11.10	3.66	745
VT	12.50	3.79			12.50	3.79	12.50	3.80	705
VA	11.70	3.65	9.85	3.85	11.60	3.67	11.80	3.76	540
WASH	11.20	3.72			11.20	3.72	11.50	3.78	615
WIS	11.21	3.87	10.97	3.88	11.13	3.87	11.35	3.92	775
U S	11.50	3.71	4/ 10.50	4/ 3.76	11.30	3.72	11.50	3.79	701

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.

POTATOES: AVERAGE PRICES PER CWT. RECEIVED BY FARMERS, BY STATES, NOVEMBER 1978

STATE	DOLLARS	STATE	DOLLARS
ALABAMA	--	NORTH CAROLINA	8.10
ARIZONA	--	NORTH DAKOTA	2.40
CALIFORNIA - ALL	5.45	OHIO	4.45
WINTER	8.00	OREGON	3.00
SPRING	--	PENNSYLVANIA	4.65
SUMMER	--	TEXAS	--
FALL	5.30	VIRGINIA	--
COLORADO	2.16	WASHINGTON	2.70
FLORIDA	--	WISCONSIN	4.10
IDAHO	2.10		
MAINE	3.45		
MICHIGAN	4.30		
MINNESOTA	2.59		
NEW JERSEY	4.70		
NEW YORK - ALL	4.25		
LONG ISLAND	3.85		
UPSTATE	4.90		
		UNITED STATES	3.02

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET: AVERAGE F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT PRICES PER CWT., UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 1-15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	AVERAGE JAN-DEC 1967	NOV 1-30, 1977	OCT 1-15, 1978	OCT 1-31, 1978	NOV 1-15, 1978
	D O L L A R S				
ASPARAGUS	23.70				
CABBAGE	2.85	7.08	7.21	6.54	5.89
CANTALOUPE	6.26	13.90	9.15	9.14	10.60
CARROTS	5.74	10.90	11.40	10.40	7.97
CELERY	4.94	7.60	12.70	12.70	9.45
CUCUMBERS	7.74	8.59	11.00	10.80	8.71
GREEN PEPPERS	12.20	17.80	20.40	19.70	23.50
LETTUCE	5.19	12.70	7.48	7.64	11.60
ONIONS	4.37	6.39	6.63	6.50	6.29
SNAP BEANS	11.70	20.50	25.60	23.70	18.60
SWEET CORN	5.68	9.09	9.02	8.41	7.65
TOMATOES	9.63	27.10	13.70	15.50	18.30
WATERMELONS	2.06		4.26	4.22	

CITRUS FRUIT: AVERAGE PRICES AND EQUIVALENT RETURNS PER BOX RECEIVED BY GROWERS,
BY UTILIZATION, NOVEMBER 1978

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							
<u>ORANGES:</u>							
ARIZ	11.85	7.53	8.35	1.10	6.18	7.00	-.25
NAVELS AND MISC.	11.85	7.53	8.35	1.10	6.18	7.00	-.25
VALENCIAS							
CALIF	13.00	5.79	9.58	2.05	4.55	8.34	.81
NAVELS							
VALENCIAS	13.00	5.79	9.58	2.05	4.55	8.34	.81
FLA	10.10	6.03	6.75	5.50	4.78	5.50	4.25
EARLY AND MIDS.	10.10	6.03	6.75	5.50	4.78	5.50	4.25
VALENCIAS							
TEX	11.46	4.62	4.89	4.04	3.71	3.98	3.14
EARLY AND MIDS.	11.46	4.62	4.89	4.04	3.71	3.98	3.14
VALENCIAS							
U S	10.87	5.86	7.12	4.75	4.65	5.91	3.52
<u>GRAPEFRUIT:</u>							
ARIZ	8.00	3.66	4.80	.55	2.76	3.90	-.35
FLA	6.87	2.65	3.87	1.83	1.68	2.92	.85
WHITE SEEDLESS	6.25	2.57	3.25	2.00	1.60	2.30	1.00
PINK SEEDLESS	7.55	3.72	4.55	1.60	2.75	3.60	.55
OTHER THAN SEEDLESS		1.75		1.75	.80		.80
TEX	7.30	3.11	3.43	1.40	2.39	2.71	.69
U S	6.91	2.72	3.80	1.81	1.78	2.90	.84
<u>LEMONS:</u>							
ARIZ	13.05	3.11	8.10	1.00	1.11	6.10	-1.00
CALIF	11.90	4.08	6.96	1.00	2.08	4.96	-1.00
U S	12.31	3.60	7.37	1.00	1.60	5.37	-1.00
<u>LIMES:</u>							
FLA	30.00	13.27	24.00	2.00	9.66	20.00	-1.20
<u>TANGERINES:</u>							
FLA	12.75	7.45	9.15	2.00	5.39	7.15	-.25
<u>TANGELOS:</u>							
FLA	11.50	6.04	8.15	3.50	4.54	6.70	1.95

1/ APPROXIMATE NET CONTENTS PER BOX ARE AS FOLLOWS: ORANGES - CALIF AND ARIZ, 75 LBS; FLA AND OTHER STATES, 90 LBS; TANGERINES - CALIF AND ARIZ, 75 LBS; FLA, 95 LBS; GRAPEFRUIT - CALIF DESERT VALLEY AND ARIZ, 64 LBS; OTHER CALIF AREAS, 67 LBS; FLA, 85 LBS; TEX, 80 LBS; LEMONS - 76 LBS; AND TEMPLES - 90 LBS; AND LIMES - 80 LBS.

LOCAL MARKET COMMODITY - FEED PRICE RATIOS, UNITED STATES,
NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS ^{1/}

COMMODITY-FEED PRICE RATIO	NOV 15 1976	NOV 15 1977	OCT 15 1978	NOV 15 1978
HOG-CORN: BUSHELS OF CORN EQUAL IN VALUE TO 100-LBS OF HOG, LIVWEIGHT UNITED STATES	15.4	20.1	25.9	23.0
NO TH CENTRAL STATES	15.5	20.3	26.7	23.2
EGG-FEED: POUNDS OF LAYING FEED EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 DOZEN EGGS	8.7	7.3	7.0	7.4
BROILER-FEED: POUNDS OF BROILER GROWER EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 LB BROILER LIVWEIGHT ^{1/}	2.3	2.7	2.9	2.8
TURKEY-FEED: POUNDS OF TURKEY GROWER EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 LB TURKEY, LIVWEIGHT	3.5	4.5	4.9	5.0
MILK-FEED: POUNDS CONCENTRATE RATION EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 LB WHOLE MILK ^{1/}	1.60	1.76	1.86	^{2/} 1.86

^{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 REGIONS AND UNITED STATES,
NOVEMBER 1978, WITH COMPARISONS ^{1/}

REGION	MILK-FEED PRICE RATIO ^{2/}			ALL MILK PRICE PER CWT			RATION VALUE ^{3/}		
	NOV 1977	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	NOV 1977	OCT 1978	NOV 1978	NOV 1977	OCT 1978	NOV 1978
	POUNDS			DOLLARS					
N ATL	1.69	1.80	1.79	10.80	11.90	12.00	6.40	6.60	6.70
N CENT	1.78	1.96	1.97	9.74	11.10	11.30	5.46	5.65	5.75
S ATL	1.80	1.77	1.77	11.30	12.10	12.30	6.28	6.85	6.95
S CENT	1.80	1.80	1.80	10.80	11.70	11.90	6.00	6.50	6.60
WEST	1.81	1.83	1.88	10.20	10.90	11.20	5.62	5.95	5.95
U S	1.76	1.86	1.86	10.20	11.30	11.50	5.79	6.08	6.16

^{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,
NOVEMBER 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	NOV 1977	OCT 1978	NOV 1978
PARITY EQUIVALENT	10.93	12.41	12.41
AVERAGE PRICE F.O.B. PLANTS	9.11	10.50	^{2/} 10.60
AVERAGE FAT TEST OF MILK	3.81	3.76	^{2/} 3.82

^{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 1978 IS 85.6 PERCENT OF THE PARITY PRICE OF ALL MILK SOLD TO PLANTS, WHICH COMPARES WITH 84.7 PERCENT IN 1977. FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS SEE THE JANUARY 1978 ISSUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRICES.
^{2/} PRELIMINARY.

FEED: AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	UNIT	1977			1978		
		SEP 15	OCT 15	NOV 15	SEP 15	OCT 15	NOV 15
DOLLARS							
COTTONSEED MEAL, 41 PCT	CWT	10.80	10.00	10.00	10.70	10.90	11.40
SOYBEAN MEAL, 44 PCT	"	11.20	10.70	11.00	11.50	11.80	12.30
BRAN	"	6.99	6.88	6.93	7.13	7.28	7.58
MIDLINGS	"	6.84	6.72	6.82	7.02	7.23	7.55
CORN MEAL	"	5.17	5.03	5.30	5.76	5.82	5.90
LAYING FEED	TON	138	135	141	149	150	154
BROILER GROWER FEED	"	154	153	159	168	169	174
TURKEY GROWER	"	172	168	175	180	183	185
CHICK STARTER FEED	"	161	158	164	173	172	178
DAIRY FEED							
14 PCT PROTEIN	TON	121	119	123	128	130	133
16 PCT PROTEIN	"	128	125	129	137	138	143
18 PCT PROTEIN	"				146	149	154
20 PCT PROTEIN	"				145	150	156
32 PCT PROTEIN	"	185	181	189	201	203	212
HOG FEED, 14-18 PCT	CWT	7.69	7.65	8.00	8.40	8.48	8.62
HOG CONCT. 38-42% PROTEIN	"	11.90	11.60	12.10	12.70	13.00	13.50
BEEF CATTLE CONCT. 32-36% PROTEIN	"	8.33	8.20	8.52	8.90	8.95	9.39
STOCK SALT	"	3.54	3.60	3.65	3.98	3.99	4.04
MOLASSES, LIQUID	"	5.55	5.52	5.52	5.73	5.91	6.13
INDEX NUMBERS (1967=100)							
FEED, PRICES PAID BY FARMERS	PCT	164	164	172	178	179	184

LIVESTOCK: AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	UNIT	1977			1978		
		SEP	OCT	NOV	SEP	OCT	NOV
DOLLARS							
FEEDERS AND STOCKERS:							
CATTLE AND CALVES	CWT	37.50	38.50	37.00	59.50	62.00	60.00
PIGS 1/	"	82.00	79.00	70.00	110	2/ 106	99.00
BABY CHICKS	PER 100	15.60	15.90	15.30	16.50	16.40	16.40
TURKEY POULTS	EACH	.720	.707	.694	.740	.750	.741
INDEX NUMBERS (1967=100)							
ALL LIVESTOCK	PCT	161	164	157	239	2/ 247	240

1/ BASED ON DATA DERIVED FROM REPORTS FROM FARMERS IN 27 STATES IN JAN, APR, JUL, OCT, ON PRICES PAID FOR FEEDER PIGS WEIGHING 40-60 LBS.
2/ REVISED.

FEED: AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS PAID BY FARMERS, BY STATES,
NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	BRAN	MIDLINGS	COTTONSEED MEAL 41% PROTEIN	SOYBEAN MEAL 44% PROTEIN	CORN MEAL	MOLASSES LIQUID	STOCK SALT
D O L L A R S							
ALA	7.90	8.20	11.50	12.50	6.80	6.70	4.45
ARIZ	8.80	9.20	7.30	14.50	8.30	6.90	3.90
ARK	6.90	7.50	11.00	12.00	6.70	6.40	3.30
CALIF	7.60	8.40	11.00	14.50	8.00	4.80	3.50
COLO	7.50	7.00	11.50	12.50	6.00	5.70	3.35
CONN	8.50	8.30		14.00	7.80	5.60	5.30
DEL	7.60	6.90	11.00	12.50	6.60	5.90	5.00
FLA	9.20	9.00	12.00	13.50	7.80	4.00	4.50
GA	8.20	7.90	12.00	12.50	6.80	6.50	4.30
HAW							
IDAHO	6.20	6.00	12.00	14.50	6.50	5.70	3.00
ILL	8.00	8.30	13.00	12.50	5.00	6.50	4.70
IND	7.90	7.90	12.50	12.00	4.90	7.30	5.00
IOWA	7.50	7.50	12.00	11.60	4.25	6.60	4.40
KANS	6.70	6.40	11.50	11.50	5.10	5.30	2.20
KY	7.50	7.50	11.50	12.00	5.40	7.00	4.90
LA	7.00	8.00	11.50	12.50	7.40	4.80	3.75
MAINE	8.50	8.30		14.00	7.80	5.60	5.30
MD	7.60	6.90	11.00	12.50	6.60	5.90	5.00
MASS	8.50	8.30		14.00	7.80	5.60	5.30
MICH	7.70	7.20	13.00	12.40	5.30	7.20	4.85
MINN	7.40	7.10	11.50	11.50	4.70	7.00	4.40
MISS	8.40	8.50	10.50	12.50	6.70	5.70	4.00
MO	6.80	6.80	11.50	11.50	5.40	5.80	2.50
MONT	6.60	5.80	11.50	13.00	6.80	5.60	3.05
NEBR	7.50	7.60	12.50	12.00	5.30	6.00	3.00
NEV	9.00	9.10	13.00		8.50	5.00	3.90
N H	8.50	8.30		14.00	7.80	5.60	5.30
N J	8.10	7.90		14.00	6.60	5.60	5.20
N MEX	8.20	8.20	11.00	14.50	8.20	5.60	3.40
N Y	6.90	7.20	12.00	12.50	6.30	5.50	4.40
N C	7.60	7.40	12.50	12.50	6.30	6.80	5.40
N DAK	7.00	5.00		12.50	4.80	5.70	4.20
OHIO	7.50	7.30	12.50	12.50	5.70	7.00	4.70
OKLA	7.00	7.00	10.70	12.00	6.70	5.20	2.60
OREG	8.00	7.80	10.50	13.50	7.20	5.00	4.00
PA	6.90	6.80	12.50	12.00	6.20	5.80	4.45
R I							
S C	8.30	7.60	12.00	13.00	7.30	6.60	5.30
S DAK	7.60	7.10	12.00	11.50	5.30	6.10	3.60
TENN	7.30	7.50	12.00	13.00	7.50	7.00	4.50
TEX	7.90	7.80	10.80	13.50	7.30	5.10	3.45
UTAH	6.30	6.30	11.50	14.00	6.90	5.00	2.20
VT	8.50	8.30		14.00	7.80	5.60	5.30
VA	8.10	8.10	13.00	12.50	6.50	7.30	4.80
WASH	9.00	7.70	13.00	15.00	8.00	5.10	4.15
W VA	7.80	8.30	12.00	13.00	6.50	6.00	4.80
WIS	7.30	7.30	11.50	11.60	4.70	6.40	4.60
WYO	7.70	8.50	13.00		7.40	6.00	3.25
U S	7.58	7.55	11.40	12.30	5.90	6.13	4.04

FEED: AVERAGE PRICE PAID BY FARMERS, BY STATES,
NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	HOG FEED		BEEF	DAIRY FEED, PERCENT PROTEIN				
	14-18% PROTEIN	HOG CONCT 38-42% PROTEIN	CATTLE CONCENTRATE 32-36% PROTEIN	14	16	18	20	32
	DOLLARS PER CWT			DOLLARS PER TON				
ALA	8.60	13.00	9.30		150	154	157	181
ARIZ	9.80	14.50		148				
ARK	7.70	12.50	8.20	133	137			172
CALIF	8.80	13.00	8.00	120	125			
COLO	8.50	14.00	7.70	150	139			240
CONN					142	146	150	
DEL					147	163	160	225
FLA	9.70	13.50	9.60	132	173			205
GA	8.70	13.30	9.70		150	152	160	205
IDAHO	8.60	14.00	8.30	124	140			166
ILL	8.80	13.80	10.40	148	160			230
IND	8.60	13.80	11.00		160	167		220
IOWA	9.00	13.60	11.30	146	152			235
KANS	8.20	13.00	9.10	139	144			205
KY	8.60	13.20	9.60		146	160	160	215
LA	9.00	13.00	8.90		146	153	158	165
MAINE					147	151	155	
MD	8.10	13.00	9.90		147	163	160	225
MASS					142	146	150	
MICH	7.80	14.00	11.50	147	153			245
MINN	8.50	13.60	10.10	131	133			215
MISS	8.80	13.00	9.10		137	142	150	180
MO	7.70	13.00	8.70	136	143			187
MONT	8.10	14.50	10.00	120	130			
NEBR	9.20	13.50	9.00	130	137			210
NEV			8.30	150	165			
N H					146	150	154	
N J	8.40	13.50			145	147	159	210
N MEX	10.00	15.00	9.50	162	161			163
N Y	8.10	12.00	9.40		142	145	150	175
N C	8.50	13.10	10.00		150	149	150	198
N DAK	7.50	13.50	7.90	130	144			200
OHIO	8.50	13.50	11.00		155	160	170	235
OKLA	8.10	13.00	9.50	134	142			200
OREG	7.50	13.00	7.40	126	132			192
PA	7.90	13.10	9.80		148	157	161	215
R I					142			
S C	8.00	12.50	9.80		148	152	159	194
S DAK	8.20	13.50	9.80	136	138			215
TENN	8.20	13.00	9.70		149	157	163	215
TEX	8.70	14.00	8.90	144	159			176
UTAH			8.60	123	132			153
VT					146	150	154	
VA	8.40	13.50	10.00		153	168	164	215
WASH			7.00	129	135			200
W VA			10.00		156	168	170	210
WIS	8.80	14.00	10.40	139	141			220
WYO			8.60	150	160			
U S	8.62	13.50	9.39	133	143	154	156	212

FEED: AVERAGE PRICE PER TON PAID BY FARMERS FOR POULTRY FEED AND
POULTRY FEED RATIOS, BY STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	POULTRY FEED, PER TON				POULTRY PRICE RATIOS 1/		
	CHICK STARTER	LAYING FEED	BROILER GROWER	TURKEY GROWER	EGG FEED	BROILER FEED	TURKEY FEED
	DOLLARS				POUNDS		
ALA	171	162	173		8.4	2.7	
ARIZ		156					
ARK	168	152	157	200	7.6	3.1	4.7
CALIF	160	132	145	168	6.6	3.7	5.7
COLO		179		210			
CONN		144			10.6		
DEL	184	156	183	188		2.8	
FLA	193	172	180		5.5	2.7	
GA	172	148	175	200	9.4	2.8	4.4
HAW		182					
IDAHO		159					
ILL	200	175		200	6.6		4.5
IND	182	155	175	178	6.8		4.3
IOWA	195	165		220	5.7		4.3
KANS		172			5.8		
KY	195	160			6.6		
LA	168	145	160		9.6	3.2	
MAINE	170	144	180		10.1	2.6	
MD	184	156	183			2.8	
MASS		144			10.3		
MICH	195	145		210	7.2		5.0
MINN	196	160	158	156	5.7		5.9
MISS	181	154	191		8.3	2.7	
MO	179	149	163	180	6.9		5.3
MONT		185					
NEBR		164		175	5.4		5.7
NEV							
N H		144					
N J		153			8.4		
N MEX		179					
N Y		149		194	7.7		
N C	187	160	183	199	8.2	2.7	4.4
N DAK		181		184			
OHIO	180	160	160	165	6.3		5.8
OKLA	185	162	176	186		2.8	
OREG	171	141	183	210	8.0		4.5
PA	179	155	182	179	7.0	2.9	5.6
R I		144					
S C	182	158	177	193	7.5	2.7	4.2
S DAK		146		205	5.6		4.5
TENN	188	165	166		6.9	2.7	
TEX	210	176	185	225	7.4	2.8	4.2
UTAH		149		170			6.1
VT		144					
VA	189	163	176	188	8.4	2.7	4.9
WASH	179	147	178	174	7.1		
W VA		163	179	200			
WIS	200	168	172	195	5.6		5.0
WYO							
U S	178	154	174	185	7.4	2.8	5.0

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.

GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL: AVERAGE PRICE PER GALLON
PAID BY FARMERS, BY STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978

STATE	GASOLINE, REGULAR		DIESEL FUEL
	SERVICE STATION UNLEADED	BULK DELIVERY LEADED	
D O L L A R S			
ALA	.670	.600	.470
ARIZ	.670	.660	.450
ARK	.650	.610	.460
CALIF	.680	.620	.480
COLO	.690	.620	.500
CONN 1/	.680	.630	.530
DEL 2/	.650	.620	.530
FLA	.670	.630	.550
GA	.670	.610	.480
HAW	.820	.660	
IDAHO	.690	.640	.470
ILL	.710	.640	.520
IND	.680	.630	.500
IOWA	.680	.630	.490
KANS	.680	.610	.490
KY	.670	.630	.520
LA	.710	.590	.450
MAINE 1/	.680	.630	.530
MD 2/	.650	.620	.530
MASS 1/	.680	.630	.530
MICH	.660	.630	.520
MINN	.680	.630	.490
MISS	.690	.620	.660
MO	.660	.610	.480
MONT	.690	.630	.480
NEBR	.690	.630	.460
NEV	.740	.650	.500
N H 1/	.680	.630	.530
N J	.670	.610	.510
N MEX	.670	.600	.520
N Y	.680	.650	.550
N C	.660	.610	.520
N DAK	.690	.630	.480
OHIO	.650	.620	.520
OKLA	.660	.600	.480
OREG	.670	.620	.470
PA	.660	.620	.510
R I 1/	.680	.630	.530
S C	.680	.610	.510
S DAK	.680	.630	.500
TENN	.670	.630	.520
TEX	.650	.560	.460
UTAH	.690	.660	.480
VT 1/	.680	.630	.530
VA	.650	.610	.520
WASH	.720	.650	.480
W VA	.720	.680	.560
WIS	.650	.610	.490
WYO	.710	.640	.490
U S	.673	.618	.473

1/ AVERAGE PRICE NEW ENGLAND STATES. 2/ AVERAGE PRICE DELAWARE AND MARYLAND.

NEW AUTOMOBILES AND TRUCKS: AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY FARMERS,
UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	1976		1977		1978	
	MAY 15	NOV 15	MAY 15	NOV 15	MAY 15	NOV 15
DOLLARS						
<u>AUTOMOBILES, 4-DOOR SEDAN</u>						
COMPACT 1/				5,220	5,310	5,600
INTERMEDIATE 2/	5,140	5,480	5,520	5,910	5,970	6,360
LOW PRICED STANDARD 3/	5,520	5,970	5,940			
MEDIUM PRICED STANDARD 4/	5,800	6,280	6,350			
STANDARD 5/				6,540	6,640	7,100
<u>TRUCKS</u>						
3/4-TON, PICKUP 6/	5,200	5,590	5,650	5,940	6,080	6,530
1 1/2-2 TON, CAB AND CHASSIS 7/	8,000	8,810	8,870	9,490	10,000	11,000

1/ INCLUDES CHEVROLET NOVA, FORD GRANADA, AND PLYMOUTH VOLARE. 2/ INCLUDES CHEVROLET MALIBU CLASSIC AND FORD LTD II; ALSO INCLUDES PLYMOUTH FURY PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 1978. 3/ INCLUDES CHEVROLET IMPALA, FORD LTD AND PLYMOUTH GRAN FURY BROUGHAM. 4/ INCLUDES PONTIAC CATALINA AND BUICK LESABRE. 5/ INCLUDES CHEVROLET IMPALA, FORD LTD, AND BUICK LESABRE LIMITED (BUICK LESABRE CUSTOM PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 1978). 6/ INCLUDES FORD, CHEVROLET AND DODGE. 7/ INCLUDES FORD AND CHEVROLET.

FEEDER PIGS: PRICES PAID BY FARMERS PER 100 POUNDS FOR SPECIFIED STATES,
OCTOBER 1978

STATE	DOLLARS	STATE	DOLLARS
ALA	98.00	NEBR	114.00
ARK	100.00	N J	95.50
DEL	101.00	N C	99.00
GA	86.00	N DAK	115.00
ILL	110.00	OHIO	100.00
IND	101.00	OKLA	79.00
IOWA	115.00	S C	91.00
KANS	107.00	S DAK	116.00
KY	96.50	TENN	98.00
LA	82.00	TEX	81.50
MD	101.00	VA	86.00
MINN	119.00	W VA	82.50
MISS	100.00	WIS	113.00
MO	104.00		

FARM SUPPLIES AND MARKETING CONTAINERS: AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY FARMERS,
UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY AND UNIT	1977	1978	
	NOV 15	AUG 15	NOV 15
		DOLLARS	
<u>FARM SUPPLIES</u>			
PLASTIC TUBING, 1 INCH, I.D., PER FOOT	.207		.214
BARBED WIRE, GALVANIZED, 12 1/2 GAUGE:			
2 POINT, PER 80 ROD SPOOL	27.10	28.00	28.50
4 POINT, PER 80 ROD SPOOL	30.10	30.60	31.60
FIELD AND STOCK FENCE, 6" STAY WIRE SP., 12 1/2 GAUGE:			
32 INCHES HIGH, PER 20 ROD ROLL	57.70	61.40	61.70
39 INCHES HIGH, PER 20 ROD ROLL	65.00	70.40	71.30
POSTS, LINE FENCE, STEEL, EACH	2.32	2.33	2.45
STAPLES, FENCE, PER POUND	.529		.554
MILK PAILS, HEAVY TIN-PLATED, 12 QUART, EACH	4.79	5.28	5.37
PITCH FORKS, 4 TINE, EACH	11.40		12.80
SHOVELS, ALUMINUM SCOOP, EACH	14.80	16.30	16.80
NAIL HAMMERS, 16 OZ. HEAD, WITH HANDLE, EACH	8.10		8.94
ADJUSTABLE END WRENCH, 10-INCH, EACH	7.23	7.69	7.84
GREASE GUN, HAND PRESSURE, 1 POUND CAPACITY, EACH	6.97		7.20
CHAIN SAW, GASOLINE, 20-INCH, EACH	251	258	264
ACETYLENE WELDER OUTFITS, COMPLETE, EACH	180		183
MANILA ROPE, 1/2 INCH, PER 100 FEET	18.40	18.70	18.90
ELECTRIC CABLE, INDOOR, NON-METALLIC SHEATHED, 2 WIRE, PER 100 FEET	13.70		13.90
NAILS, 8D, COMMON, PER POUND	.492	.503	.510
BALER TWINE, PER 40 LB. BALE	14.20	14.80	15.10
<u>MARKETING CONTAINERS</u>			
BASKETS STAVE, 1-BU., WITH COVER, NEW, PER DOZEN	11.60	12.70	12.90
HAMPERS, 1-BU., WITH COVER, NEW, PER 100	81.00	85.70	86.40
FRUIT BOX CARTONS AND BOXES, PER BOX	.467	.485	.577
LUG BOXES, PER BOX	.606	.630	.760
VEGETABLE CRATES AND CARTONS, EACH	.651	.654	.673
BAGS, BURLAP, 100 POUNDS, PER 100	32.00	33.70	35.40
BAGS, PAPER, 50-POUNDS, PER 100	23.80	24.60	25.00
BAGS, PAPER, 20-POUNDS, PER 100	11.00	11.30	11.30
BAGS, OPEN-MESH, 50-POUNDS, PER 100	29.80	30.60	31.30

FUELS: AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY AND UNIT	1977	1978	
	NOV 15	OCT 15	NOV 15
		DOLLARS	
<u>FUELS</u>			
GASOLINE, SERVICE STATION (UNLEADED REGULAR), PER GAL 1/	.617	.669	.673
GASOLINE, BULK DELIVERY (LEADED REGULAR), PER GAL	.577	.613	.618
FURNACE OR FUEL OIL, PER GAL	.472	.486	.497
DIESEL FUEL, PER GAL	.458	.467	.473
L.P. GAS, BULK DELIVERY, PER GAL	.411	.390	.390

1/ GASOLINE, SERVICE STATION, (REGULAR), PRIOR TO JAN 1978.

TO: Data Users

Beginning with the January 1979 Agricultural Prices, changes are proposed for two series of estimates. These are the "Baby Chicks" price and the "Milk-Feed Price Ratio".

It is proposed to discontinue the currently published national monthly average price of all baby chicks. In its place monthly prices would be published separately for egg type chicks and broiler type chicks. Under the current system, a change in the all chick price from one month to the next may reflect actual price changes, or it may be caused by a shift in the type of chicks purchased with no change in price for either egg type or broiler type chicks.

Publishing the two classes separately will provide better indications of month to month price changes.

The monthly "Milk-Feed Price Ratios" are currently computed from a derived ration value and the fluid milk price and are published by region. It is proposed to drop this series and implement a new "Milk-Feed Ratio" series based on the price of 16 percent dairy feed. The new series would be published by State beginning with the January 1979 Agricultural Prices.

Comments concerning these proposed changes would be appreciated. Replies are needed by January 20, 1979 and should be addressed to:

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