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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UP 2 POINTS PRICES PAID INDEX UP 1 POINT

The March All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers increased 2 points (1.4 percent) from February to 146 percent of its January-December 1977 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Higher prices for cattle, corn, soybeans, cotton, and onions were partially offset by lower prices for eggs, milk, celery, hogs, and carrots. The index was 12 points (9.0 percent) above a year ago.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for March was 166 percent of its 1977 base. Contributing most to the 1 point (0.6 percent) increase were higher prices for fertilizer, feeder livestock, farm machinery and family living items. The index was 7 points (4.4 percent) higher than in March 1983.

SUMMARY TABLE

INDEX 1977=100	:	FEB 1983	:	MAR 1983	:	FEB 1984		:	MAR 1984
						PRELIM	REVISED		
PRICES RECEIVED	:	132	:	134	:	142	144	:	146
PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES, AND FARM WAGE RATES	:	159	:	159	:	165	165	:	166
RATIO 1/	:	83	:	84	:	86	87	:	88

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 All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers for March increased 2 points (1.4 percent) from the previous month to 146 percent of its 1977 average. Compared to a year earlier the index was up 12 points (9.0 percent). Of the subgroups shown on page 6, the following contributed most to the changes from a month earlier.

ALL CROPS: The index for March at 141 was up 4 points (2.9 percent) from a month earlier and was 19 points (16 percent) above March 1983.

FEED GRAINS AND HAY: At 154, the index was 4 points (2.7 percent) above the previous month. Corn at \$3.25 per bushel was up 14 cents and sorghum averaged \$4.88 per cwt also up 14 cents. Oats were 9 cents lower at \$1.79 per bushel. Barley was up 1 cent to \$2.48 per bushel. Hay averaged \$80.50 per ton, down 70 cents from February. The index was 22 points (17 percent) above a year ago.

OIL-BEARING CROPS: Compared with a month earlier, the index increased 5 points (4.4 percent) to 119. Soybeans averaged \$7.65 per bushel, up 36 cents from February. Flaxseed was down 4 cents to \$6.97 per bushel. The index was 30 points (34 percent) above March of last year.

COTTON: The index at 115 was 6 points (5.5 percent) above last month and 12 points (12 percent) higher than last year. Upland cotton prices rose 3.6 cents per pound to average 69.3 cents in March.

LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS: At 150, the March index was 1 point (0.7 percent) below the preceding month but was 4 points (2.7 percent) above a year ago.

MEAT ANIMALS: The index at 157 was up 3 points (1.9 percent) from February but was 2 points (1.3 percent) below March 1983. Compared with the previous month, cattle prices increased \$1.70 to \$61.40 per cwt and calf prices, at \$65.00, were up \$1.10. Hog prices, averaging \$45.00 per cwt, were down 40 cents.

POULTRY AND EGGS: At 149, the index was 11 points (6.9 percent) below last month, but was 43 points (41 percent) higher than March a year ago. The price of eggs declined 13.5 cents from last month to 79.4 cents per dozen. Broiler prices increased 0.4 cent to 37.8 cents per pound and turkey prices, at 41.6 cents, were up 0.3 cent.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: Compared with a month earlier, the index at 136 declined 2 points (1.4 percent). The average price for all milk sold to plants and dealers was \$13.20 per cwt down 20 cents from February. The index was 4 points (2.9 percent) below March 1983.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The March Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes and Farm Wage Rates was 166 percent of its 1977 base. The index was up 1 point (0.6 percent) from February and 7 points (4.4 percent) from a year earlier. Of the indexes shown on page 7, the following had the greatest influence.

PRODUCTION INDEX: At 158, the production index for March was 2 points (1.3 percent) above February and 6 points (3.9 percent) higher than a year earlier. Higher prices since February for feeder livestock and feed along with price increases for fertilizer since December and increased machinery prices since September were the major contributors to the rise.

FERTILIZER: At 146, the index of fertilizer prices was 10 points (7.4 percent) higher than in December 1983 when last surveyed. All fertilizer items increased with nitrogen based materials being the major contributor to the rise in the index. Compared to a year earlier, the index was up 5.8 percent.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The price index at 164 was up 3 points (1.9 percent) from February but 6.3 percent below March last year. Feeder cattle and calves at \$64.00 per cwt were up 50 cents from last month and feeder pigs at \$98.00 per cwt were \$17.00 higher.

TRACTORS AND SELF-PROPELLED MACHINERY: At 180, the index was up 3 points (1.7 percent) from September 1983, when prices were last surveyed. The index was up 4.7 percent from last year.

OTHER MACHINERY: The index for March 1984 was 177, up 3 points (1.7 percent) from September 1983. Compared with a year earlier, the index was up 5.4 percent.

FEED: At 143, the feed index was up 1 point (0.7 percent) from a month earlier. Higher prices for corn were partially offset by lower prices for prepared livestock and poultry feeds. Compared with March 1983, the index was up 14 percent.

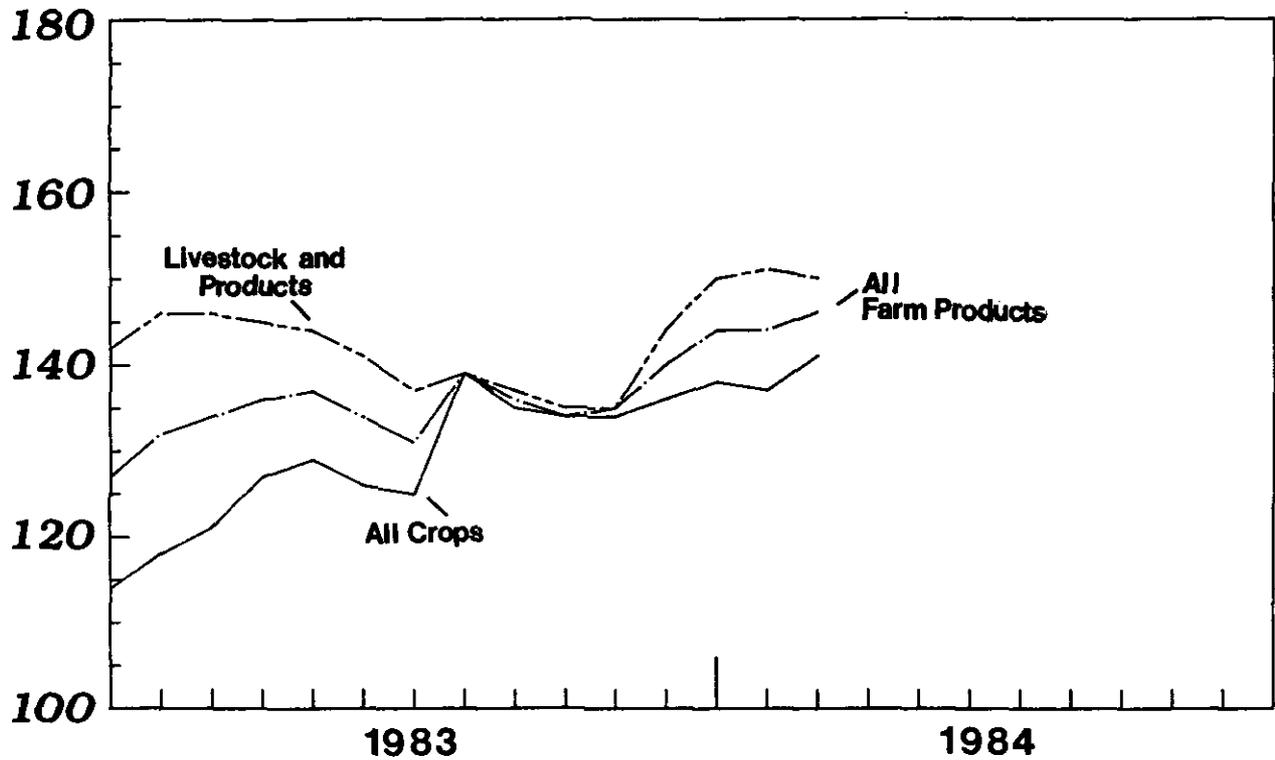
FUELS AND ENERGY: The index at 203 was down 1 point (0.5 percent) from February. Diesel fuel prices were down 2 cent per gallon to \$1.02. Bulk delivered regular gasoline at \$1.16 per gallon and service station unleaded gasoline at \$1.20 per gallon were both unchanged from a month earlier. The index was 6.3 percent higher than a year ago.

AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS: The price index was 126, unchanged from May, 1983. Compared with a year earlier, the index was up 2.4 percent.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: The February unadjusted Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) at 306.6 (1967=100) was 0.5 percent higher than in January and 4.6 percent above February 1983. On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U was 0.4 percent above January. The medical care index was up 0.8 percent and the food and beverages index was 0.6 percent higher. The housing and other goods and services indexes both increased 0.5 percent. Entertainment increased 0.3 percent while the transportation index was unchanged. Apparel and upkeep decreased 0.3 percent.

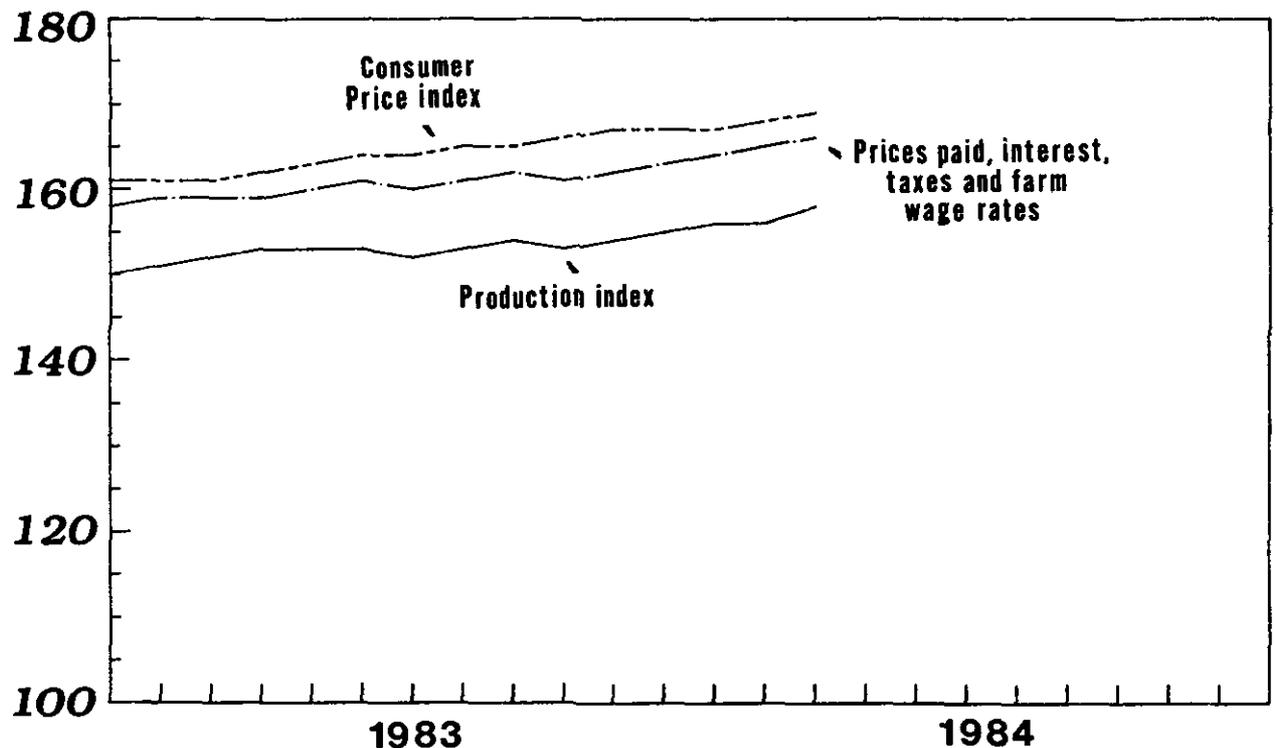
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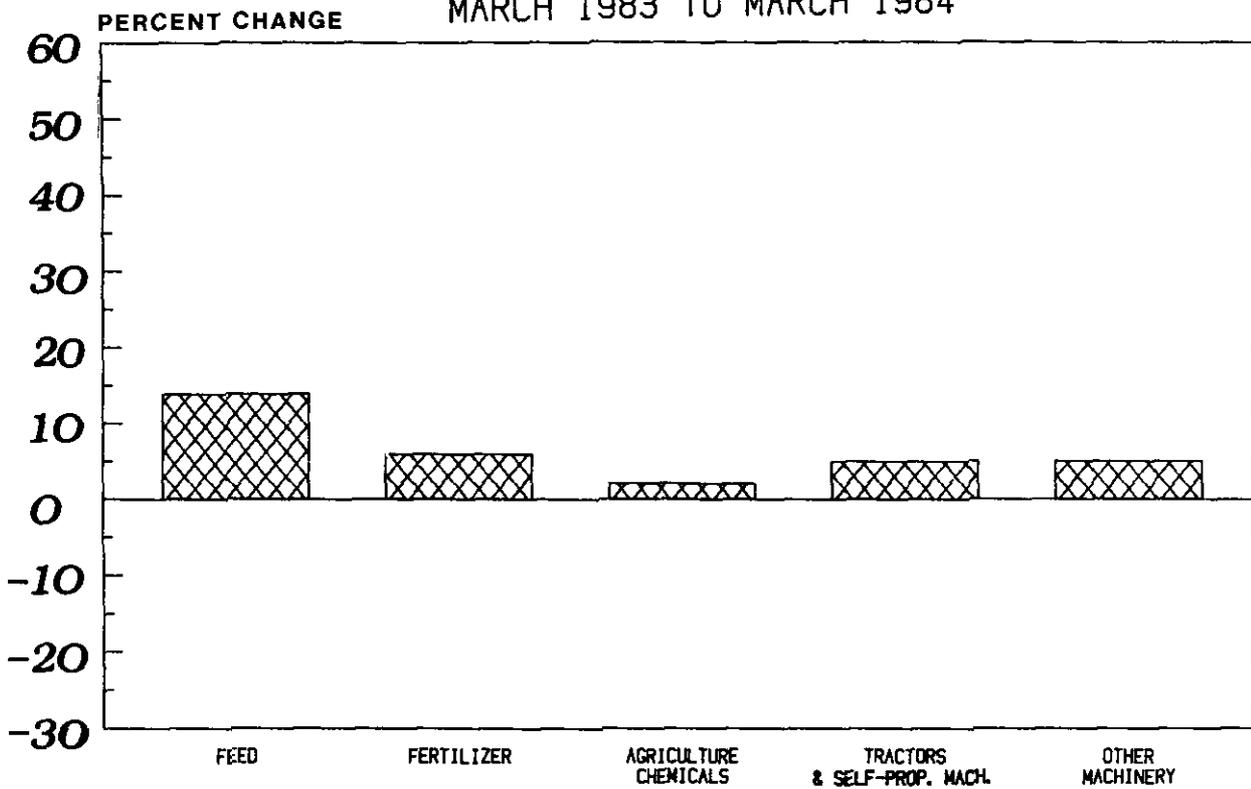
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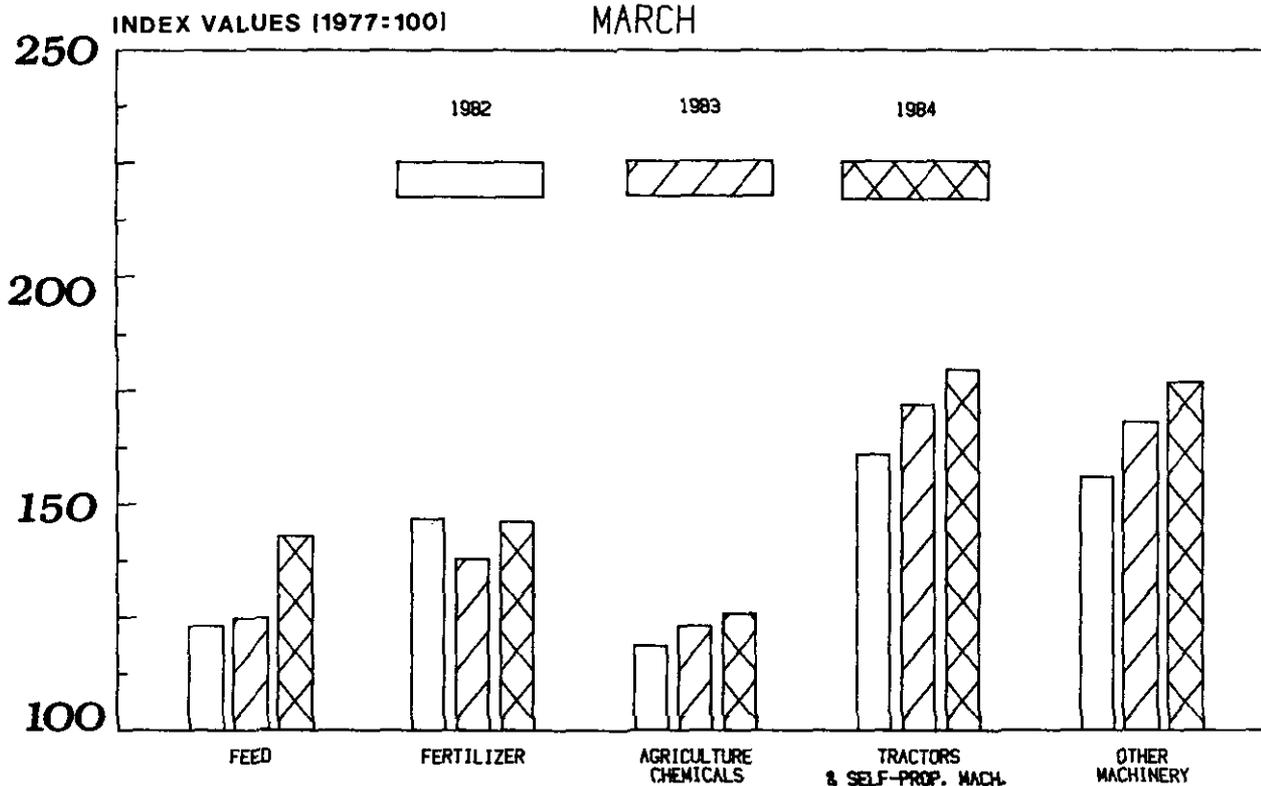
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MARCH 1983 TO MARCH 1984



PRICES PAID INDEX COMPARISONS

MARCH

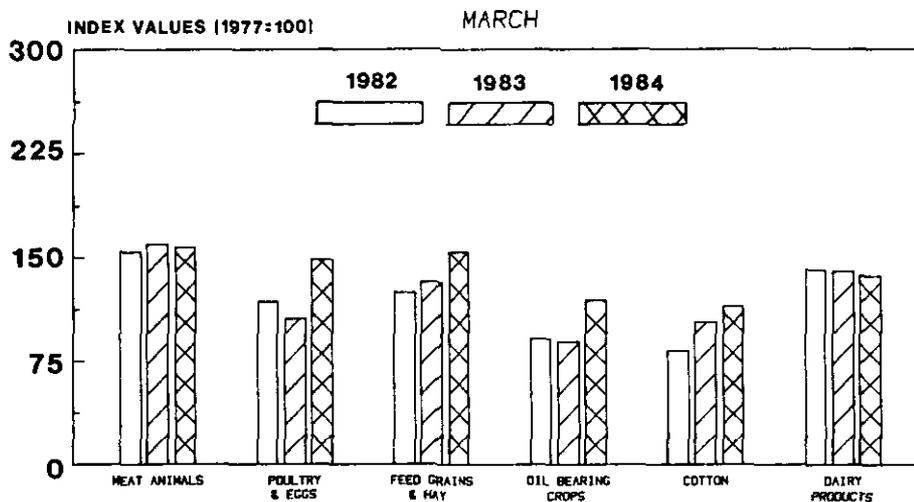


INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984,
WITH COMPARISONS

INDEX	1910-14=100				1977=100			
	AVERAGE:	1983	1984		1983	1984		
	JAN-DEC:	1977	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
UNADJUSTED								
ALL FARM PRODUCTS	457	612	*658	666	134	*144	146	
ALL CROPS	433	526	*592	609	122	*137	141	
FOOD GRAINS	275	412	*391	395	150	*142	144	
FEED GRAINS & HAY	316	416	*473	487	132	*150	154	
FEED GRAINS	299	399	*452	469	133	*151	157	
COTTON	511	525	*555	585	103	*109	115	
TOBACCO	972	1,517	1,457	1,448	156	150	149	
OIL-BEARING CROPS	652	581	*744	773	89	*114	119	
FRUIT, ALL	370	452	*473	490	122	*128	132	
FRESH MARKET 1/	362	442	*469	488	122	*130	135	
COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES	498	705	*843	865	142	*169	174	
FRESH MARKET	658	927	*1,173	1,215	141	*178	185	
POTATOES, ETC 2/	363	354	*568	578	98	157	159	
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS	481	703	*726	724	146	*151	150	
MEAT ANIMALS	564	895	*869	885	159	*154	157	
DAIRY PRODUCTS	594	832	*820	807	140	*138	136	
POULTRY & EGGS	228	242	364	339	106	160	149	
FOOD COMMODITIES					140	*148	148	
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
FRESH MARKET FRUIT 1/	352	446	*489	499	127	*139	142	
FRESH MARKET VEGETABLES	663	929	*1,178	1,127	140	*178	170	
POTATOES, ETC 2/	365	371	*594	603	102	*163	165	
DAIRY PRODUCTS	594	832	*804	807	140	*135	136	
POULTRY & EGGS	228	236	358	333	103	157	146	

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

PRICES RECEIVED INDEX COMPARISONS



INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES
AND RELATED DATA, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

INDEXES AND RATIOS	1910-14=100			1977=100		
	1983	1984		1983	1984	
	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES & SERVICES, INTEREST, TAXES, & WAGE RATES (PARITY INDEX 1910-14=100)	1,096	1,132	1,140	159	165	166
PRODUCTION ITEMS	878	903	913	152	156	158
FEED	496	*565	568	125	*142	143
FEEDER LIVESTOCK	1,066	*985	1,003	175	*161	164
SEED	878	884	884	141	142	142
FERTILIZER	367	361	388	138	136	146
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS	534	549	548	123	126	126
FUELS & ENERGY	683	727	724	191	204	203
FARM & MOTOR SUPPLIES	679	652	652	154	148	148
AUTOS & TRUCKS	1,915	2,051	2,060	166	178	179
TRACTORS & SELF-PROPELLED MACHINERY	2,076	2,137	2,170	172	177	180
OTHER MACHINERY	1,884	1,948	1,981	168	174	177
BUILDING & FENCING	1,276	1,276	1,276	138	138	138
FARM SERVICES & CASH RENT 1/	989	1,019	1,019	147	151	151
INTEREST 1/ 2/	4,253	4,340	4,340	251	256	256
TAXES 1/ 3/	2,203	2,331	2,331	137	145	145
WAGE RATES	2,817	2,913	2,913	147	152	152
PRODUCTION ITEMS, INTEREST, TAXES, & WAGE RATES	1,173	1,207	1,218	158	163	164
FAMILY LIVING - CPI 4/	930	968	973	161	168	169
PARITY RATIO 5/	56	*58	58			
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (PRELIM) 6/	*58	*60	60			
				(1967=100)		
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX 7/						
ALL COMMODITIES				301	309	
INDUSTRIAL COMMODITIES				314	320	
FARM PROD & PROC FOODS & FEEDS				*251	264	

* REVISED. 1/ PRELIMINARY. 2/ INTEREST PAYABLE PER ACRE ON FARM REAL ESTATE DEBT. 3/ FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES PAYABLE PER ACRE. 4/ BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U), FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH CONVERTED BY U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE. 5/ RATIO OF INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED TO INDEX OF PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES AND WAGE RATES. 6/ 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 102.5 FOR 1984 AND THE REVISED ADJUSTMENT FACTOR IS 103.4 FOR 1983. SEE PAGE 30, APRIL 1967 AGRICULTURAL PRICES FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE METHOD OF MAKING CURRENT ESTIMATES OF THE ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO. 7/ BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS INDEXES ON 1967=100 BASE.

CROPS: PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	PRICE PER UNIT	AVERAGE JAN 1977- DEC 1977	ENTIRE MONTH			PRELIMINARY
			MAR 1983	FEB 1984	MAR 1984	
FIELD CROPS						
BARLEY, ALL	DOL/BU	1.91	2.09	2.47		2.48
FEED	"		2.08	2.47		2.53
MALTING	"		2.09	2.46		2.38
BEANS, DRY EDIBLE	DOL/CWT	17.60	12.30	21.30		20.70
CORN	DOL/BU	2.03	2.71	3.11		3.25
COTTON, AMER UPLAND	CT/LB	60.5	62.2	65.7		69.3
COTTONSEED	DOL/TON	79.70		172.00		
FLAXSEED	DOL/BU	5.78	4.60	7.01		6.97
HAY, ALL, BALED	DOL/TON	57.10	1/70.10	1/81.20		80.50
OATS	DOL/BU	1.29	1.49	1.88		1.79
PEANUTS (IN-SHELL)	CT/LB	20.8				
POTATOES	DOL/CWT	3.78	4.07	6.28		6.45
RICE (ROUGH)	"	7.94	7.99	8.85		8.71
SORGHUM GRAIN	"	3.11	4.67	4.74		4.88
SOYBEANS	DOL/BU	6.82	5.82	7.29		7.65
SUNFLOWER 2/	DOL/CWT		8.31	14.20		14.40
SWEETPOTATOES	"	10.20	9.24	1/18.60		19.00
TOBACCO	CT/LB	114.1	151.5	160.5		129.0
WHEAT, ALL	DOL/BU	2.29	3.66	3.40		3.45
WINTER	"	2.25	3.71	3.33		3.38
DURUM	"		3.47	3.67		3.90
OTHER SPRING	"	2.42	3.59	3.59		3.58
HARD RED	"		3.60	3.41		
SOFT RED	"		3.30	3.22		
WHITE	"		4.18	3.31		
FRUIT, CITRUS (EQUIV ON-TREE)						
GRAPEFRUIT	DOL/BOX	1.66	1.56	1.95		3.17
LEMONS	"	2.18	.40	-1.73		-1.49
LIMES	"	34.42	26.02	26.50		35.76
ORANGES	"	2.78	3.70	3.98		4.04
TANGELOS	"	3.68				
TANGERINES	"	1.17	3.05	2.80		.51
TEMPLES	"		4.61	4.55		4.60
FRUIT, NONCITRUS						
APPLES, FRESH 3/	CT/LB	12.0	12.0	15.9		16.1
PEACHES, FRESH 3/	"	14.7				
PEARS, FRESH 3/	DOL/TON	145.00	316.00	201.00		165.00
STRAWBERRIES, FRESH	CT/LB	43.3	65.0	66.6		62.9

1/ MID-MONTH PRICE.

2/ TWO STATE (MINN AND N DAK) AVERAGE.

3/ EQUIVALENT PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR RETURNS FOR CALIF, WASH, AND OREG, AND PRICES AS SOLD FOR OTHER STATES.

LIVESTOCK: PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	PRICE PER UNIT	AVERAGE : JAN 1977- DEC 1977 :	ENTIRE MONTH			PRELIMINARY
			MAR : 1983 :	FEB : 1984 :	MAR : 1984 :	
LIVESTOCK						
CALVES	DOL/CWT	36.80	68.40	63.90		65.00
CATTLE, ALL BEEF	"	34.50	59.70	59.70		61.40
COWS	"	24.40	42.70	39.70		41.80
STEERS & HEIFERS	"	37.30	63.20	64.60		66.30
HOGS, ALL	"	40.10	50.40	45.40		45.00
BARROWS & GILTS	"		50.80	45.90		45.40
SOWS	"		47.40	42.30		42.40
LAMBS	"	51.40	63.20	59.20		57.70
SHEEP	"	13.50	20.80	19.60		21.30
WOOL 1/	CT/LB	71.4	56.0	63.7		72.4
DAIRY AND POULTRY						
MILK, ALL 2/ FLUID GRADE	DOL/CWT	9.71	13.60	13.40		3/13.20
MFG GRADE	"	9.94	13.80	13.50		3/13.40
	"	8.71	12.70	12.40		3/12.40
BROILERS, LIVE	CT/LB	23.5	25.4	37.4		37.8
EGGS, ALL	CT/DOZ	54.1	4/58.2	4/92.9		79.4
MARKET 5/	"		4/52.1	4/88.8		73.5
TURKEYS, LIVE	CT/LB	54.5	4/33.0	4/41.3		41.6
ADJ FOR SEAS VARIATION						
EGGS	CT/DOZ	54.5	4/54.9	4/90.2		74.9
ALL MILK 2/	DOL/CWT	9.71	13.60	13.14		13.20

1/ AVERAGE LOCAL PRICE, EXCLUDING INCENTIVE PAYMENTS. 2/ BEFORE DEDUCTIONS FOR HAULING, CO-OP FEES, AND GOVERNMENT WITHHOLDING, BUT INCLUDING BULK TANK, QUANTITY, OR OTHER PREMIUMS. EXCLUDING HAULING SUBSIDIES. 3/ FAT TEST PERCENT FOR ALL MILK, 3.70; FLUID MILK, 3.70; MANUFACTURING GRADE, 3.72. 4/ MID-MONTH PRICE. 5/ INCLUDING EGGS SOLD RETAIL BY PRODUCER.

PRICES RECEIVED FOR SELECTED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES, BY MONTHS,
UNITED STATES, 1983 AND 1984

MONTH:	ALL WHEAT		CORN		SOYBEANS		BEEF CATTLE 1/		ALL HOGS		
	1983	1984 2/	1983	1984 2/	1983	1984 2/	1983	1984 2/	1983	1984 2/	
	DOLLARS PER BUSHEL						DOLLARS PER CWT				
JAN	3.57	3.50	2.36	*3.15	5.56	7.85	54.30	57.10	55.30	48.50	
FEB	3.57	3.40	2.56	3.11	5.66	7.29	57.10	59.70	56.10	45.40	
MAR	3.66	3.45	2.71	3.25	5.82	7.65	59.70	61.40	50.40	45.00	
APR	3.75		2.95		6.09		61.00		46.90		
MAY	3.75		3.03		6.06		59.90		45.90		
JUN	3.50		3.04		5.90		58.30		43.90		
JUL	3.34		3.13		6.27		55.80		43.40		
AUG	3.61		3.35		7.57		54.20		46.70		
SEP	3.65		3.32		8.28		52.30		44.10		
OCT	3.61		3.15		7.96		51.70		40.40		
NOV	3.54		3.17		7.80		51.20		37.50		
DEC	3.47		3.15		7.74		54.50		44.20		

1/ COWS, STEERS AND HEIFERS. 2/ CURRENT MONTH - MID-MONTH PRICE. OTHER MONTHS - ENTIRE MONTH PRICE. * REVISED.

UNITED STATES PARITY PRICES FOR FARM PRODUCTS AND AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED AS
PERCENT OF PARITY PRICES BASED ON DATA FOR MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS 1/

COMMODITY AND UNIT	PARITY PRICES 3/ BASED ON DATA FOR				PRICES AS PERCENT OF PARITY		
	ADJUSTED:	BASE			MAR	FEB	MAR
	2/	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
	1983	1984	1984	1984	1983	1984	1984
D O L L A R S							
BASIC COMMODITIES:							
WHEAT, PER BU	.658	7.33	7.45	7.50	50	46	46
RICE, PER CWT	4/1.81	20.60	20.50	20.60	39	43	42
CORN, PER BU	.469	5.07	5.31	5.35	53	59	61
COTTON, PER LB							
AMERICAN UPLAND	.111	1.18	1.26	1.27	53	52	55
EXTRA LONG STAPLE	4/.176	1.96	1.99	2.01			
PEANUTS, PER LB	4/.0402	.436	.455	.458			
TOBACCO, BY TYPE, PER LB							
FLUE-CURED, 11-14	4/.249	2.64	2.82	2.84			
VA FIRE-CURED, 21	4/.200	2.15	2.26	2.28		42	
KY-TENN FIRE-CURED, 22-23	4/.231	2.44	2.61	2.63	57	57	54
BURLEY, 31	4/.262	2.76	2.97	2.99		57	
MARYLAND, 32	5/.227	2.43	2.57	2.59	64		49
DARK AIR-CURED, 35-36	4/.209	2.17	2.37	2.38		52	
SUN-CURED, 37	4/.191	2.02	2.16	2.18			
PA SEEDLEAF, 41	4/.124	1.37	1.40	1.41			
CIGAR FILLER & BINDER,							
42-44, 53-55	4/.170	1.84	1.92	1.94			
PUERTO RICAN FILLER, 46	4/.154	1.64	1.74	1.76			
CIGAR BINDER, 51-52	4/.253	2.68	2.86	2.88			
DESIGNATED NONBASIC:							
ALL MILK, SOLD TO							
PLANTS, PER CWT	2.05	21.90	23.20	23.40	6/62	6/57	6/56
HONEY, PER LB	7/.0981	1.06	1.11	1.12			
WOOL AND MOHAIR:							
WOOL, PER LB	.198	2.08	2.24	2.26	8/27	8/28	8/32
MOHAIR, PER LB	.629	6.51	7.12	7.17			
OTHER NONBASIC:							
BARLEY, PER BU	.438	4.83	4.96	4.99	43	50	50
COTTONSEED, PER TON	4/20.00	211.00	226.00	228.00		76	
DRY EDIBLE BEANS, PER CWT	3.87	43.40	43.80	44.10	28	49	47
FLAXSEED, PER BU	1.19	13.40	13.50	13.60	34	52	51
OATS, PER BU	.271	2.92	3.07	3.09	51	61	58
POTATOES, PER CWT	4/.811	9.01	9.18	9.25	45	68	70
RYE, PER BU	.427	4.69	4.83	4.87			
SORGHUM GRAIN, PER CWT	.795	8.60	9.00	9.06	54	53	54
SOYBEANS, PER BU	1.15	12.90	13.00	13.10	45	56	58
SWEETPOTATOES, PER CWT	2.13	23.60	24.10	24.30	39	77	78
APPLES, FRESH, PER LB 9/	.0240	.266	.272	.274	45	58	59
CITRUS (EQUIV ON-TREE)							
GRAPEFRUIT, PER BOX	4/.385	4.52	4.36	4.39	35	45	72
LEMONS, PER BOX	4/.548	6.92	6.20	6.25	6	14/	14/
LIMES, PER BOX	4/1.59	17.70	18.00	18.10	147	147	198
ORANGES, PER BOX	4/.625	6.57	7.08	7.13	56	56	57
TANGERINES, PER BOX	4/.788	8.49	8.92	8.98	36	31	6
TEMPLES, PER BOX	4/.597	6.33	6.76	6.81	73	67	68
BEEF CATTLE, PER CWT							
CALVES, PER CWT	8.82	96.70	99.80	101.00	62	60	61
HOGS, PER CWT	9.98	111.00	113.00	114.00	62	57	57
LAMBS, PER CWT	7.93	87.80	89.80	90.40	57	51	50
SHEEP, PER CWT	9.93	107.00	112.00	113.00	59	53	51
EGGS, PER DOZ	3.24	35.60	36.70	36.90	58	53	58
TURKEYS, LIVE, PER LB	.104	1.15	1.18	1.19	6/48	6/76	6/63
	.0664	.743	.752	.757	44	55	55

SEE FOOTNOTES ON PAGE 12.

PARITY PRICES BASED ON DATA FOR MARCH 1984, UNITED STATES 1/

OTHER NONBASIC COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)	ADJUSTED BASE PRICES 4/	PARITY PRICES 3/
	DOLLARS	
FIELD CROPS AND MISC COMMODITIES:		
CRUDE PINE GUM, BBL	14.80	169.00
HOPS, LB	.216	2.46
TOBACCO, LB:		
CIGAR WRAPPER, TYPE 61	1.53	17.40
CIGAR WRAPPER, TYPE 62	.844	9.62
NONCITRUS FRUITS:		
APPLES, PROCESSING, TON	19.50	222.00
APRICOTS, TON		
FRESH	128.00	1,460.00
DRIED (CALIF)	389.00	4,430.00
AVOCADOS, TON	126.00	1,440.00
CHERRIES		
SWEET, TON	101.00	1,150.00
TART, LB	.0545	.621
CRANBERRIES, BBL	4.47	51.00
DATES (CALIF), TON	88.20	1,010.00
GRAPES, TON		
RAISIN VARIETIES		
DRIED (CALIF)	181.00	2,060.00
OTHER VARIETIES DRIED	33.50	382.00
NECTARINES (CALIF), FRESH TON 10/	45.10	514.00
OLIVES (CALIF) CANNING, TON 10/	83.80	955.00
PEACHES		
FRESH, LB 11/	.0345	.393
DRIED (CALIF), TON	224.00	2,550.00
PROCESSING (EXCL DRIED)		
CLINGSTONE (CALIF), TON 10/	26.40	301.00
PEARS		
FRESH, TON 12/	40.90	466.00
DRIED (CALIF), TON	180.00	2,050.00
PLUMS (CALIF) EQUIV ON-TREE, TON		
FRESH	51.40	586.00
PRUNES, DRIED (CALIF), TON	108.00	1,230.00
PRUNES AND PLUMS (EXCL CALIF), TON		
FRESH	53.50	610.00
PROCESSING (EXCL DRIED)	17.40	198.00
TREE NUTS:		
ALMONDS, LB	.185	2.11
FILBERTS, TON	136.00	1,550.00
WALNUTS, TON	151.00	1,720.00
VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET, CWT		
CANTALOUPE	2.12	24.20
CARROTS 13/	1.34	15.30
CAULIFLOWER 13/	3.58	40.80
CELERY 13/	1.71	19.50
HONEYDEW MELONS	2.09	23.80
LETTUCE	1.68	19.20
ONIONS 13/	1.59	18.10
TOMATOES	3.76	42.90

SEE FOOTNOTES ON PAGE 12.

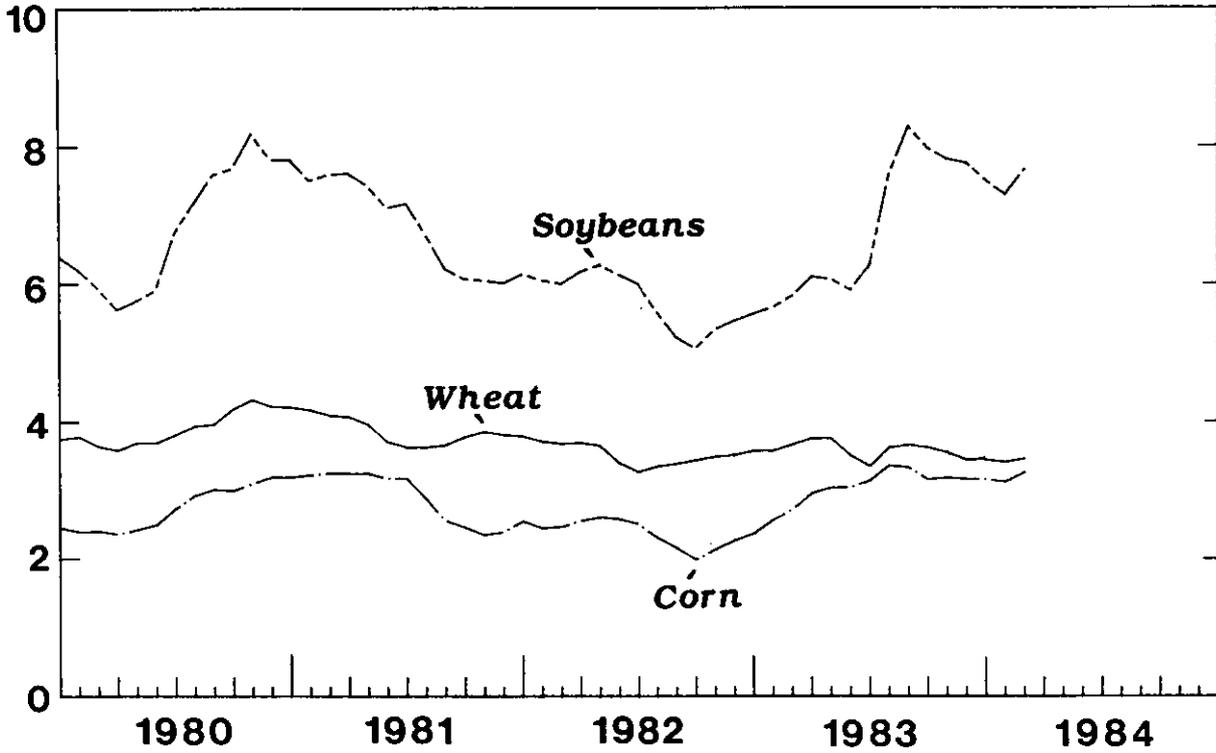
FOOTNOTES ON PARITY PRICES

- 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 1974-DEC 1983 AVERAGE (INCLUDING AN ALLOWANCE WHERE APPROPRIATE FOR UNREDEEMED LOANS AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS RESULTING FROM PRICE SUPPORT OPERATIONS) BY DIVIDING BY 550 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 1974-83 (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 1974-83.
- 6/ SEASONALLY ADJUSTED PRICE AS PERCENTAGE OF PARITY PRICE.
- 7/ WHOLESALE EXTRACTED. 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 CALIF, WASH AND OREG 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, MINN, 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 CALIF, WASH AND OREG, 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/ DERIVED ON-TREE NEGATIVE VALUE.

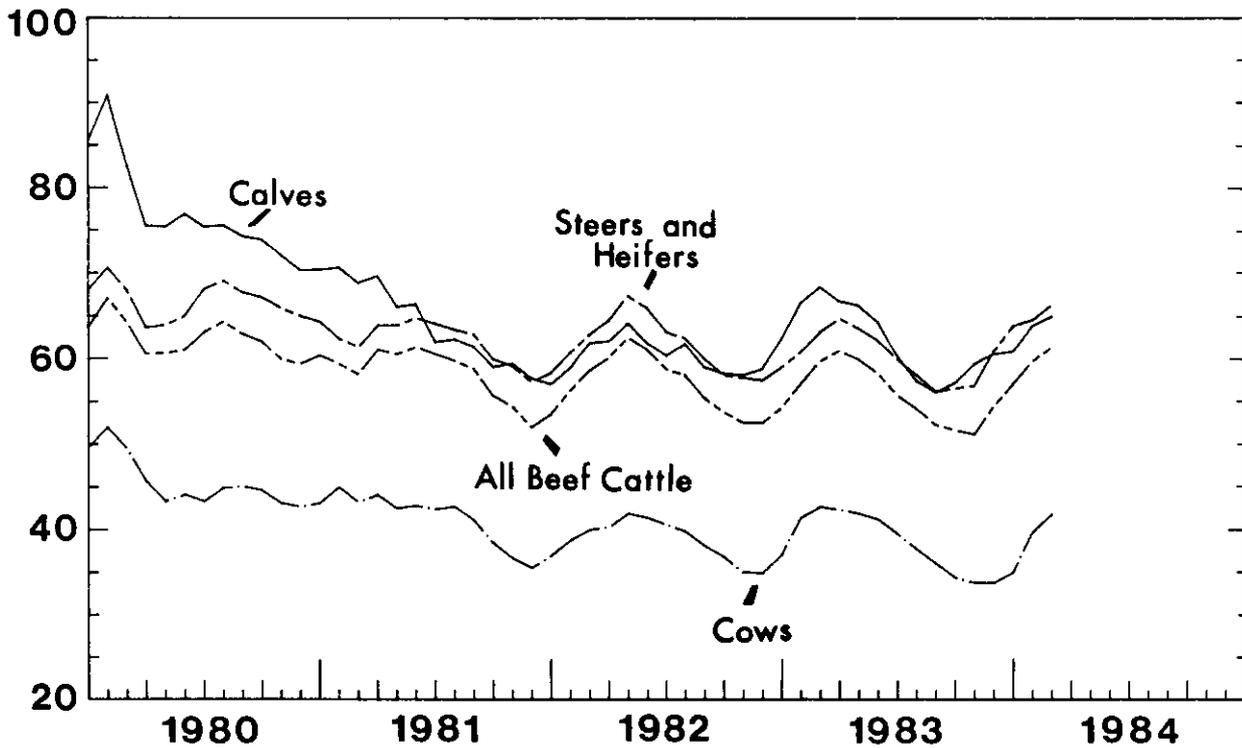
SEE PAGE 31 JAN 1984 AGRICULTURAL PRICES FOR DETAILS ON PARITY PRICE COMPUTATIONS.

Prices Received by Farmers, US

Dollars per bu.



Dollars per cwt.



WHEAT: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	ALL WHEAT		WINTER WHEAT		DURUM WHEAT		OTHER SPRING WHEAT	
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/
	DOLLARS PER BUSHEL							
ARIZ	3.80	3.82	3.75	3.80	3.91	3.85		
ARK	3.49	3.40	3.49	3.40				
CALIF	4.29	4.26	4.13	4.12	4.61	4.60		
COLO	3.18	3.20	3.18	3.19			3.31	3.30
IDAHO	3.18	3.19	3.23	3.26			3.14	3.11
ILL	3.13	3.35	3.13	3.35				
IND	3.36	3.38	3.36	3.38				
KANS	3.31	3.41	3.31	3.41				
MICH	3.24	3.26	3.24	3.26				
MINN	3.72	3.75	3.41	3.54	3.76	3.80	3.72	3.75
MO	3.35	3.42	3.35	3.42				
MONT	3.60	3.66	3.46	3.55	3.81	3.85	3.71	3.75
NEBR	3.28	3.28	3.28	3.28				
N DAK	3.57	3.66			3.62	3.81	3.54	3.56
OHIO	3.22	3.39	3.22	3.39				
OKLA	3.33	3.42	3.33	3.42				
OREG	3.37	3.35	3.37	3.35				
S DAK	3.51	3.58	3.37	3.46	3.81	3.88	3.60	3.65
TEX	3.40	3.39	3.40	3.39				
WASH	3.45	3.40	3.45	3.40				
U S	3.40	3.45	3.33	3.38	3.67	3.90	3.59	3.58

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH.

CORN AND SORGHUM GRAIN: 5-MONTH AVERAGE PRICE,
UNITED STATES, OCTOBER 1983 - FEBRUARY 1984

MONTH AND YEAR	CORN		SORGHUM GRAIN	
	PRICE 1/	PERCENT OF TOTAL 2/	PRICE 1/	PERCENT OF TOTAL 2/
	DOLS PER BU	PERCENT	DOLS PER CWT	PERCENT
OCT 1983	3.15	25.1	5.01	26.7
NOV 1983	3.17	19.5	4.98	22.0
DEC 1983	3.15	15.1	4.93	17.9
JAN 1984	3.15	26.9	4.92	19.3
FEB 1984	3.11	13.4	4.74	14.1
5-MONTH 3/	3.15	100.0	4/4.93	100.0

1/ MONTHLY PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, AS REVISED. 2/ MONTHLY PERCENT BASED ON REPORTED QUANTITIES SOLD AS PERCENT OF TOTAL. 3/ WEIGHTED USING PERCENT OF TOTAL. 4/ \$2.76 PER BUSHEL.

GRAINS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	BARLEY 1/		CORN		OATS		SOYBEANS		SORGHUM GRAIN	
	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/
DOLLARS PER BUSHEL										
DOLLARS PER CWT										
ALA							7.47	7.75		
ARIZ										
ARK							7.22	7.70		
CALIF	3.50	3.34			2.46					
COLO	2.71	2.54	2.93	3.09					4.66	4.76
GA			3.68	3.70			7.61	7.81		
IDAHO	2.78	2.70			1.71	1.76				
ILL			3.18	3.33	2.08	2.03	7.53	7.74		
IND			3.20	3.37	2.33	2.21	7.25	7.71		
IOWA			3.00	3.15	2.03	1.95	7.20	7.54		
KANS			3.05	3.14			7.04	7.51	4.61	4.72
KY			3.40	3.59			7.60	7.91		
LA							7.44	7.83		
MICH			3.08	3.25	2.20	2.10	7.10	7.50		
MINN	2.37	2.32	2.92	3.07	1.68	1.66	7.04	7.44		
MISS							7.52	7.77		
MO			3.25	3.35			7.17	7.80	5.16	5.40
MONT	2.52	2.52			1.56	1.60				
NEBR			2.99	3.09	1.91	1.79	7.06	7.38	4.62	4.72
N MEX									4.94	4.86
N Y					2.22	2.21				
N C			3.68	3.77	2.38	2.19	7.50	7.77		
N DAK	2.23	2.19			1.42	1.36				
OHIO			3.25	3.41	2.40	2.26	7.33	7.76		
OKLA									4.81	4.91
OREG	2.69	2.69			1.91	1.85				
PA			3.64	3.74	2.49	2.41				
S C							7.41	7.82		
S DAK	2.24	2.24	2.95	3.02	1.71	1.63	6.92	7.21		
TENN							6.95	7.56		
TEX			3.31	3.30	2.25	1.86	7.10	7.43	5.07	5.19
UTAH	2.92	2.94								
WASH	2.59	2.59								
WIS			3.05	3.14	1.87	1.92				
U S	2.47	2.48	3.11	3.25	1.88	1.79	7.29	7.65	4.74	4.88

1/ THE THREE-STATE (MINN, N DAK, AND S DAK) FEED BARLEY PRICE FOR CURRENT MID-MONTH IS \$ 2.13. 2/ ENTIRE MONTH. 3/ MID-MONTH.

UPLAND COTTON AND RICE: PRICES RECEIVED MARCH 1984, AND MARKETINGS JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1984, UNITED STATES

ITEM	UNIT	JAN 1/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/
COTTON, UPLAND				
AVERAGE PRICE	CENTS/POUND	62.7	65.7	69.3
MARKETINGS 3/	THOUSAND BALES	1,544	787	NA
RICE				
AVERAGE PRICE	DOLLARS/CWT	8.57	8.85	8.71
MARKETINGS 4/	THOUSAND CWT	10,779	10,617	NA

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ BASED ON PURCHASES FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE MONTH. 3/ MARKETINGS BASED ON EXPANDED DATA FROM A SAMPLE OF APPROXIMATELY 35 PERCENT OF THE COTTON BUYERS. 4/ PURCHASES FROM PRODUCERS AS REPORTED BY PRIVATE FIRMS AND RICE (ROUGH EQUIVALENT) SHIPPED DURING THE MONTH AS REPORTED BY COOPERATIVE MILLS.

FIELD CROPS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	: DRY EDIBLE BEANS :		: FLAXSEED :		TOBACCO :	PEANUTS 3/ 4/	
	: FEB 1/ :	: MAR 2/ :	: FEB 1/ :	: MAR 2/ :	: MAR 1/ :	: FEB :	: MAR
	: DOLLARS PER CWT		: DOLLARS PER BU		: CENTS PER POUND		
ALA							
CALIF	: 31.80	: 31.50					
COLO	: 18.00	: 17.20					
FLA							
GA							
IDAHO	: 16.80	: 15.90					
IND							
KY					136.5		
MD					128.0		
MICH	: 20.10	: 20.80					
MINN	: 19.80	: 20.30	6.84	7.00			
MO							
NEBR	: 18.90	: 17.50					
N C							
N DAK	: 17.80	: 16.90	7.05	6.97			
OHIO							
OKLA							
S C							
S DAK			7.24	6.94			
TENN					143.5		
TEX							
VA							
WASH	: 17.80	: 16.60					
W VA							
WYO	: 17.30	: 17.10					
U S	: 21.30	: 20.70	7.01	6.97	129.0		

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH. 3/ IN-SHELL. 4/ INSUFFICIENT SALES.

TOBACCO: AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED
BY FARMERS, BY AREAS AND TYPES

TOBACCO					
CLASS BY BELTS	TYPE	MAR 1983	MAR 1984	CENTS PER POUND	
TOTAL EASTERN BELT	22	140.5	143.5		
TOTAL WESTERN BELT	23	124.1	132.0		
TOTAL KY-TN FIRE-CURED	22-23	139.8	142.0		
SOUTHERN MD BELT	32	155.0	128.0		
U S	22-32	151.5	129.0		

FIELD CROPS AND APPLES: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	COTTON		MARCH				SWEET : POTATOES : FRESH	APPLES : USE 1/4/
	AMERICAN UPLAND	SEED	COTTON	HAY, BALED 3/	ALFALFA	OTHER		
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	5/	ALL			3/	
	CENTS PER POUND		DOLLARS PER TON				DOL/CWT	CENTS/LB
ALA	66.6	67.5					12.90	
ARIZ	67.2	72.0	97.00	100.00	65.00			
ARK	65.2	66.4	70.00	110.00	65.00			
CALIF	75.4	79.9	103.00	105.00	72.00	13.30		
COLO			76.00	79.00	70.00			22.0
CONN								21.0
GA	66.6	66.5				17.60		
IDAHO			78.00	80.00	65.00			25.5
ILL			83.00	85.00	70.00			
IND			103.00	112.00	89.00			18.4
IOWA			82.00	84.00	70.00			
KANS			83.00	86.00	60.00			
KY			92.00	126.00	83.00			
LA	64.3	67.5				18.00		
MAINE								21.0
MD								17.3
MASS								21.0
MICH			58.00	60.00	45.00			14.3
MINN			68.00	72.00	55.00			
MISS	67.1	62.4						
MO			76.00	92.00	67.00			
MONT			76.00	76.00	71.00			
NEBR			61.00	65.00	51.00			
NEV			89.00	95.00	75.00			
N H								21.0
N J								21.0
N MEX			99.00	102.00	75.00			
N Y			90.00	96.00	80.00			18.5
N C						23.90		
N DAK			40.00	46.00	32.00			
OHIO			104.00	120.00	80.00			19.3
OKLA	59.6	63.2	73.00	97.00	61.00			
OREG			74.00	90.00	53.00			14.0
PA			103.00	125.00	85.00			18.5
S DAK			48.00	48.00	37.00			
TENN	66.1	70.6						
TEX	61.5	63.9	75.00	104.00	51.00	23.50		
UTAH			78.00	84.00	69.00			
VT								20.0
VA						18.00		20.0
WASH			78.00	82.00	70.00			14.4
W VA								16.0
WIS			77.00	80.00	65.00			
WYO			77.00	79.00	74.00			
U S	65.7	69.3	80.50	85.80	65.90	19.00		16.1

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ BASED ON SALES DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THE MONTH.
 3/ MID-MONTH. 4/ EQUIVALENT P.H.D. RETURNS FOR CALIF, WASH AND OREG AND PRICE AT POINT OF FIRST SALE FOR OTHER STATES. 5/ INSUFFICIENT SALES.

POTATOES: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES,
MARCH 1984

STATE	PRICE PER CWT	STATE	PRICE PER CWT
DOLLARS		DOLLARS	
ALA		N Y - ALL	8.95
ARIZ		- LONG ISLAND	9.30
CALIF - ALL	10.20	- UPSTATE	8.55
- WINTER	10.60	N C	
- SPRING		N DAK	5.70
- SUMMER		OHIO	8.80
- FALL	10.10	OREG	5.50
COLO	7.05	PA	10.80
FLA	16.10	TEX	
IDAHO	6.30	VA	
MAINE	6.75	WASH	4.50
MICH	8.15	WIS	6.50
MINN	5.70		
N J		U S	6.45

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET: F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT PRICES,
UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

CROP	AVERAGE JAN-DEC 1977	MAR 1-31, 1983	FEB 1-28, 1984	MAR 1-15, 1984
DOLLARS PER CWT				
CARROTS	11.40	11.00	17.40	15.90
CELERY	8.76	9.93	21.70	15.50
CORN, SWEET	9.14	23.00	27.60	28.60
LETTUCE	7.60	8.92	9.45	11.30
ONIONS	10.30	9.15	19.60	25.00
TOMATOES	23.40	46.00	44.00	43.30

CITRUS FRUIT: PRICES AND EQUIVALENT RETURNS,
BY UTILIZATION, BY STATES, MARCH 1984

COMMODITY AND STATE	F.O.B. PACKED FRESH	EQUIVALENT RETURNS						
		PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR			ON-TREE			
		ALL	FRESH	PROCESS	ALL	FRESH	PROCESS	
DOLLARS PER BOX 1/								
<u>GRAPEFRUIT:</u>	:							
ARIZ	:	10.20	4.41	5.68	-.08	2.97	4.24	-1.52
CALIF	:	10.90	4.78	6.38	-.08	3.34	4.94	-1.52
DESERT VALLEYS	:	10.90	4.78	6.38	-.08	3.34	4.94	-1.52
FLA	:	9.86	4.64	6.41	3.86	3.17	5.01	2.37
WHITE SEEDLESS	:	8.65	4.20	5.20	3.90	2.72	3.80	2.40
PINK SEEDLESS	:	11.10	5.92	7.65	3.10	4.48	6.25	1.60
OTHER THAN SEEDLESS	:		4.40		4.40	3.00		3.00
TEX 2/ CALIF-ARIZ DESERT VALLEYS	:					3.25	4.76	-1.52
U S	:	9.96	4.64	6.39	3.79	3.17	4.98	2.30
<u>LEMONS:</u>	:							
ARIZ	:	14.50	2.66	6.52	.08	-.54	3.32	-3.12
CALIF	:	11.90	1.69	3.92	.08	-1.51	.72	-3.12
U S	:	11.96	1.71	3.98	.08	-1.49	.78	-3.12
<u>LIMES:</u>	:							
FLA	:	55.00	40.65	47.90	2.00	35.76	42.90	-2.30
<u>ORANGES:</u>	:							
ARIZ	:	12.80	6.06	7.64	1.92	4.32	5.90	.18
VALENCIAS	:	12.80	6.06	7.64	1.92	4.32	5.90	.18
CALIF	:	10.50	3.87	5.38	.38	2.13	3.64	-1.36
NAVELS	:	10.50	3.87	5.38	.38	2.13	3.64	-1.36
FLA	:	15.00	7.82	11.20	7.50	6.02	9.40	5.70
VALENCIAS	:	15.00	7.82	11.20	7.50	6.02	9.40	5.70
TEX 2/	:							
U S	:	11.00	5.81	6.02	5.68	4.04	4.27	3.89
<u>TANGERINES:</u>	:							
ARIZ	:	10.60	2.52	3.32	1.40	-.53	.27	-1.65
CALIF	:	10.48	3.29	4.98	1.40	.79	2.48	-1.10
U S	:	10.51	3.13	4.61	1.40	.51	1.98	-1.20
<u>TEMPLES:</u>	:							
FLA	:	15.00	7.28	11.35	6.50	5.37	9.40	4.60

1/ APPROXIMATE NET CONTENTS PER BOX ARE AS FOLLOWS: GRAPEFRUIT - ARIZ AND CALIF DESERT VALLEY, 64 LBS; FLA, 85 LBS; LEMONS - 76 LBS; LIMES - 80 LBS; ORANGES - ARIZ AND CALIF, 75 LBS; FLA, 90 LBS; TANGERINES - ARIZ AND CALIF, 75 LBS; AND TEMPLES, 90 LBS. 2/ DUE TO HEAVY FREEZE DAMAGE TO 1983-84 CROP, THERE WILL BE NO MORE PRICE QUOTES THIS SEASON.

CATTLE: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	COWS 1/		: STEERS AND HEIFERS:		BEEF CATTLE 4/ :		CALVES	
	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/	FEB 2/	MAR 3/
DOLLARS PER CWT								
ALA	38.90	42.50	58.30	60.40	48.50	51.50	59.00	60.30
ARIZ	39.50	38.50	64.70	65.00	61.60	61.80	60.50	61.00
ARK	38.70	37.80	57.80	57.00	48.20	47.40	62.50	59.80
CALIF	40.20	40.50	63.90	64.00	55.00	55.50	57.90	58.00
COLO	40.00	39.30	66.20	69.40	64.40	67.90	65.00	72.10
FLA	39.00	41.30	59.60	57.70	47.70	49.00	63.10	66.80
GA	38.90	42.40	56.40	55.80	48.70	50.40	57.10	58.40
IDAHO	38.10	39.30	63.70	65.50	57.60	59.20	62.30	61.40
ILL	39.20	41.40	62.10	64.20	57.20	59.40	58.90	56.30
IND	39.10	44.70	62.00	63.10	54.70	57.20	56.50	56.60
IOWA	39.00	43.40	64.00	65.90	58.10	60.50	61.30	63.50
KANS	40.60	43.60	65.80	66.80	64.40	65.40	65.00	66.70
KY	37.00	40.10	53.30	54.90	46.00	48.20	56.50	58.00
LA	38.50	41.50	58.50	61.00	44.90	47.70	62.20	60.50
MICH	39.70	42.80	56.30	58.00	46.40	49.60	58.20	63.50
MINN	39.40	42.60	58.50	59.80	49.20	51.40	57.20	58.00
MISS	36.90	38.30	59.60	60.50	47.20	48.30	61.70	59.00
MO	40.60	41.00	62.90	64.50	57.40	59.30	62.00	63.50
MONT	39.70	43.30	62.10	63.20	53.10	57.20	64.80	66.10
NEBR	39.70	42.70	65.40	68.00	63.60	66.20	65.80	67.20
N MEX	39.70	42.00	58.10	58.80	47.70	51.70	66.20	63.50
N Y	38.60	39.50	48.90	49.50	39.30	40.40	79.10	75.00
N DAK	39.00	41.20	62.00	62.90	57.40	58.60	63.50	65.30
OHIO	39.00	41.00	61.40	62.00	56.10	57.00	59.20	63.00
OKLA	38.10	37.00	63.70	62.20	57.00	55.60	62.00	60.20
OREG	38.80	40.00	61.50	63.40	54.00	54.00	59.30	61.10
PA	38.20	40.10	57.70	58.10	49.20	51.40	70.10	67.00
S DAK	43.00	45.00	63.30	64.00	58.50	59.40	66.10	67.30
TENN	38.30	39.70	56.60	55.30	46.30	46.60	58.60	58.10
TEX	40.10	43.00	66.60	69.50	64.30	67.10	64.40	65.50
UTAH	37.20	39.50	58.40	60.00	50.00	54.10	63.30	64.50
VA	38.20	40.70	55.90	57.30	47.00	49.00	58.20	61.50
WASH	39.40	41.90	65.80	68.60	64.40	67.30	57.80	59.60
WIS	40.60	43.70	60.00	61.50	48.50	51.50	96.30	95.40
WYO	43.90	45.10	63.90	65.60	55.00	59.90	65.60	70.50
U S	39.70	41.80	64.60	66.30	59.70	61.40	63.90	65.00

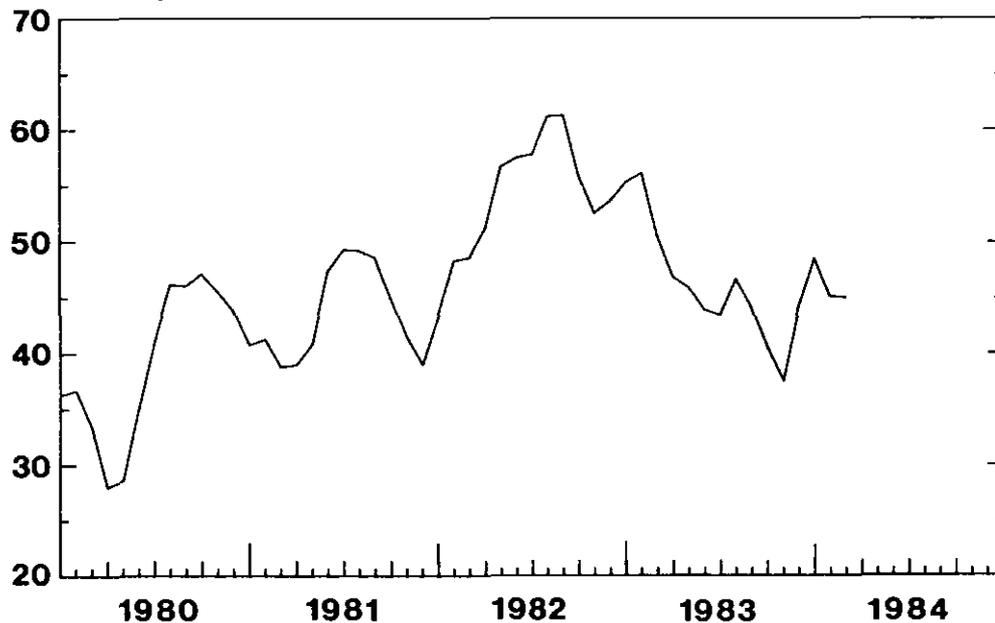
1/ BEEF COWS SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER AND HERD REPLACEMENT, AND CULL DAIRY COWS SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER. 2/ ENTIRE MONTH. 3/ MID-MONTH. 4/ "COWS" AND "STEERS AND HEIFERS" COMBINED.

HOGS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	SOWS		BARROWS AND GILTS		ALL HOGS	
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/
	DOLLARS PER CWT					
ALA	37.10	37.00	46.10	43.40	45.30	42.80
GA	38.50	38.50	44.90	42.80	44.00	42.20
ILL	44.50	44.70	46.30	46.30	45.90	46.00
IND	41.30	41.70	46.40	46.20	46.10	45.90
IOWA	42.60	43.90	45.60	45.30	45.30	45.10
KANS	42.60	44.00	45.00	45.80	44.50	45.50
KY	41.30	42.00	47.40	46.20	46.80	45.70
MICH	40.90	42.00	46.10	46.10	45.30	45.50
MINN	41.90	41.10	46.00	45.00	45.80	44.70
MO	44.40	43.50	46.20	45.50	46.00	45.30
NEBR	42.70	43.60	46.00	46.00	45.70	45.80
N C	40.30	41.60	44.60	44.60	43.50	43.90
OHIO	42.80	44.00	46.50	47.00	46.20	46.80
PA	40.80	41.70	48.40	47.50	47.90	47.30
S C	39.50	40.80	43.40	43.20	42.30	42.50
S DAK	42.00	41.40	45.50	44.80	45.00	44.30
TENN	41.00	39.00	45.80	45.40	45.30	44.70
TEX	39.10	37.00	44.90	42.50	43.40	41.10
VA	38.30	38.80	46.40	43.70	45.00	42.90
WIS	39.70	39.10	45.10	44.60	44.40	43.90
U S	42.30	42.40	45.90	45.40	45.40	45.00

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH.

Prices Received by Farmers for Hogs
Dollars per cwt.



SHEEP, WOOL, AND POULTRY: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	SHEEP		LAMBS		WOOL	MARCH		
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/		1/3/	TURKEYS 2/	BROILERS 1/
	-----DOLLARS PER CWT-----				CENTS PER POUND		CENTS/DOZ	
ALA							5/ 36.5	74.3
ARIZ	21.00	20.00	58.50	58.00	72			
ARK						42	38.5	66.0
CALIF	21.70	21.00	60.00	59.00	80	37	37.0	65.0
COLO	22.50	22.40	58.80	53.90	75			
CONN								106.0
DEL							5/ 41.0	
FLA							5/ 37.0	71.2
GA							5/ 36.5	83.6
IDAHO	12.70	13.30	52.50	50.90	55			
ILL								74.0
IND								71.0
IOWA	19.80	22.50	59.70	59.90	48	41		60.6
KANS	19.30	17.50	57.70	59.20	54			
LA							38.5	
MAINE							5/ 37.5	94.0
MD							5/ 41.0	
MICH								59.0
MINN	15.90	18.60	61.00	58.40	48	40		65.0
MISS							5/ 38.0	76.3
MO						43		63.7
MONT	21.00	23.00	57.00	55.00	87			
NEBR	21.10	20.40	56.30	54.00	63			
N MEX	23.00	21.50	56.10	56.10	100			
N Y								75.2
N C						43	5/ 36.5	71.2
OHIO	23.50	20.50	60.70	62.00	47			75.0
OKLA							38.5	
OREG	15.10	15.10	52.90	53.40	61			
PA							37.0	84.0
S C							5/ 37.0	78.7
S DAK	17.80	20.40	57.40	60.60	68			
TENN							5/ 36.0	84.0
TEX	23.20	24.00	59.80	57.00	90	43	40.0	85.0
UTAH	17.20	16.80	54.00	53.40	73			
VA						45	5/ 38.0	68.8
WASH								68.1
WIS						38		68.0
WYO	14.20	17.50	56.40	57.10	80			
U S	19.60	21.30	59.20	57.70	72.4	41.6	37.8	73.5

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH. 3/ INCENTIVE PAYMENT NOT INCLUDED. 4/ MARKET (TABLE) EGGS. INCLUDING EGGS SOLD RETAIL BY THE PRODUCER. 5/ LIVELWEIGHT EQUIVALENT PRICE.

MILK AND MILK COWS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1984

STATE	FEBRUARY						MARCH			
	FLUID GRADE MILK 1/		MANUFACTURING GRADE MILK		ALL MILK 2/		ALL MILK 2/3/		MILK COWS 4/	
	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST	PRICE	FAT TEST
	DOL/CWT	PCT	DOL/CWT	PCT	DOL/CWT	PCT	DOL/CWT	PCT	DOL/HEAD	
ALA	14.60	3.70	11.60	3.89	14.60	3.70	14.30	3.65		
ARK	14.30	3.63	11.60	3.62	14.10	3.63	13.90	3.55		
CALIF	13.10	3.71	12.10	3.76	13.06	3.71	12.90	3.65		
COLO	15.00	3.72			15.00	3.72	14.80	3.68		
FLA	15.70	3.53			15.70	3.53	15.60	3.51		
GA	14.60	3.75			14.60	3.75	14.40	3.65		
IDAHO	13.50	3.88	12.50	3.77	13.00	3.82	12.80	3.73		
ILL	13.30	3.80	12.80	3.83	13.20	3.80	13.00	3.75		
IND	13.70	3.84	11.00	3.90	13.40	3.85	13.30	3.81		
IOWA	13.30	3.80	12.60	3.78	13.10	3.79	13.00	3.74		
KANS	14.40	3.77	11.90	3.81	14.00	3.78	13.80	3.70		
KY	13.70	3.83	11.70	3.76	13.40	3.82	13.40	3.71		
LA	14.20	3.61			14.20	3.61	13.90	3.55		
MD	13.70	3.77			13.70	3.77	13.60	3.74		
MICH	13.60	3.78	11.40	3.82	13.50	3.78	13.40	3.74		
MINN	12.76	3.75	12.23	3.67	12.56	3.72	12.40	3.69		
MISS	14.40	3.70	12.50	3.72	14.30	3.70	13.90	3.60		
MO	13.40	3.79	11.90	3.78	13.20	3.79	13.00	3.68		
NEBR	13.80	3.82	12.60	3.87	13.30	3.84	13.10	3.76		
N Y	13.30	3.69			13.30	3.69	13.00	3.68		
N C	14.90	3.87	12.10	3.84	14.80	3.87	14.80	3.78		
N DAK	12.60	3.66	11.60	3.65	12.10	3.65	12.10	3.60		
OHIO	13.50	3.78	12.60	3.90	13.40	3.79	13.30	3.76		
OKLA	14.20	3.67	11.80	3.75	14.00	3.68	13.90	3.65		
OREG	13.50	3.78	13.40	4.00	13.50	3.80	13.10	3.72		
PA	13.80	3.76	11.70	3.75	13.80	3.76	13.70	3.70		
TENN	13.70	3.84	11.90	3.90	13.50	3.85	13.30	3.77		
TEX	14.40	3.65			14.40	3.65	14.10	3.57		
UTAH	13.30	3.64	13.00	3.82	13.20	3.70	13.00	3.60		
VT	13.80	3.76			13.80	3.76	13.50	3.75		
VA	14.00	3.80	11.90	3.84	13.90	3.80	13.90	3.75		
WASH	12.90	3.72			12.90	3.72	12.80	3.72		
WIS	13.00	3.78	12.72	3.80	12.92	3.79	12.90	3.77		
U S	13.50	3.75	12.40	3.77	13.40	3.75	13.20	3.70		

1/ INCLUDING SURPLUS DIVERTED TO MANUFACTURING. 2/ BEFORE DEDUCTIONS FOR HAULING, CO-OP FEES, AND GOVERNMENT WITHHOLDING, BUT INCLUDING BULK-TANK, QUANTITY, OR OTHER PREMIUMS. EXCLUDING HAULING SUBSIDIES. 3/ PRELIMINARY. 4/ ANIMALS SOLD FOR DAIRY HERD REPLACEMENT ONLY. PRICES PUBLISHED JAN, APR, JUL, AND OCT.

PARITY PRICE EQUIVALENT FOR MANUFACTURING MILK 1/: UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	MAR 1983	FEB 1984	MAR 1984
PARITY EQUIVALENT.....DOL PER CWT	19.84	21.14	21.32
AVERAGE PRICE F.O.B.....DOL PER CWT	12.70	12.40	2/12.40
AVERAGE FAT TEST OF MILK...PERCENT	3.70	3.77	2/3.72

1/ BASED ON PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS FOR ALL MANUFACTURING GRADE MILK. PARITY PRICE EQUIVALENT RELATED TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE PRICE FOR ALL MANUFACTURING GRADE MILK OF AVERAGE MILKFAT CONTENT SOLD BY FARMERS. THE PARITY PRICE EQUIVALENT DURING 1984 IS 91.1 PERCENT OF THE PARITY PRICE OF ALL MILK SOLD TO PLANTS, WHICH COMPARES WITH 90.6 PERCENT IN 1983. FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS, SEE JANUARY 1984 ISSUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRICES. 2/ PRELIMINARY.

WOOL: PRICES RECEIVED, MONTHLY AND ANNUAL AVERAGE, BY STATES, 1983 1/

STATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANN AVE
CENTS PER POUND													
ALAS													50
ARIZ	57	58	28	34	39	42	40	42	66	2/	72	73	43
CALIF	56	2/	63	69	61	57	61	55	60	67	61	67	62
COLO	48	50	54	58	56	60	56	61	58	66	63	59	57
CONN													49
IDAHO	50	47	53	63	54	52	56	42	68	59	56	56	54
ILL													40
IND													33
IOWA	34	34	35	34	37	35	36	39	40	41	44	47	38
KANS	32	48	46	51	46	41	41	40	42	54	54	53	47
KY													40
LA													41
MAINE													62
MD													49
MASS													63
MICH													40
MINN	39	44	37	35	35	37	37	37	39	39	43	46	39
MO													41
MONT	48	57	60	60	63	63	64	77	80	79	78	83	67
NEBR	33	44	40	47	41	49	41	40	43	48	47	49	44
NEV													64
N H													67
N J													41
N MEX	65	66	88	82	73	59	63	63	72	58	42	76	76
N Y													49
N C													46
N DAK													51
OHIO	34	33	34	34	36	41	40	40	44	42	43	45	38
OKLA													46
OREG	38	58	57	60	48	45	49	47	53	54	51	60	51
PA													45
S DAK	40	47	46	58	57	56	68	70	59	67	72	67	60
TENN													47
TEX	79	94	70	85	90	84	79	72	73	81	85	75	83
UTAH	2/	46	50	54	55	56	57	58	64	67	63	65	57
VT													60
VA													48
WASH													49
W VA													46
WIS													39
WYO	2/	60	61	69	71	66	68	69	65	61	87	76	68
U S	50.0	57.1	56.0	65.7	65.0	63.5	62.7	59.6	57.2	66.4	70.1	64.1	61.3

1/ AVERAGE LOCAL MARKET PRICE FOR WOOL SOLD; DOES NOT INCLUDE INCENTIVE PAYMENT.
2/ INSUFFICIENT SALES.

MOHAIR: PRICES RECEIVED, ANNUAL AVERAGE, TEXAS, 1983

DOLLARS PER POUND	
TEX	4.05

FEED PRICE RATIOS: UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

FEED PRICE RATIO	MAR 1982	MAR 1983	FEB 1984	MAR 1984
HOG-CORN: BUSHELS OF CORN EQUAL IN VALUE TO 100 LBS. OF HOG, LIVE WEIGHT				
UNITED STATES	19.8	18.6	*14.6	13.8
NORTH CENTRAL STATES	19.8	18.8	*14.7	14.0
EGG-FEED: POUNDS OF LAYING FEED EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 DOZEN EGGS	*7.1	6.2	8.6	7.4
BROILER-FEED: POUNDS OF BROILER GROWER EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 LB. BROILER, LIVE WEIGHT 1/	2.6	2.4	3.1	3.1
TURKEY-FEED: POUNDS OF TURKEY GROWER EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 LB. TURKEY, LIVE WEIGHT	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.3
MILK-FEED: POUNDS 16% MIXED DAIRY FEED EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 LB. WHOLE MILK 1/	*1.53	1.55	*1.33	1.33

1/ BROILER AND MILK-FEED PRICE RATIOS ARE COMPUTED USING MONTHLY AVERAGES FOR BROILERS AND MILK. * REVISED

FEED: PRICES PAID, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	UNIT	1983			1984		
		JAN	FEB	MAR	JAN	FEB	MAR
DOLLARS							
COTTONSEED MEAL, 41%	CWT	13.50	13.50	13.60	16.30	16.00	15.90
SOYBEAN MEAL, 44%	"	13.10	13.20	13.20	15.60	14.80	14.50
BRAN	"	9.77	9.76	9.73	10.70	10.80	10.60
MIDLINGS	"	9.37	9.28	9.29	10.30	10.30	10.20
CORN MEAL	"	7.13	7.27	7.42	8.81	8.83	8.79
LAYING FEED	TON	186	188	189	219	217	214
BROILER GROWER	"	202	206	210	243	243	242
TURKEY GROWER	"	226	227	230	257	256	252
CHICK STARTER	"	207	210	212	246	243	239
DAIRY FEED							
14% PROTEIN	TON	165	164	165	188	186	185
16% PROTEIN	"	175	177	175	205	201	199
18% PROTEIN	"	183	185	184	220	213	210
20% PROTEIN	"	187	187	185	223	216	211
CONCT. 32% PROTEIN	"	259	265	264	300	286	283
HOG FEED							
14-18% PROTEIN	CWT	10.30	10.40	10.30	12.00	11.80	11.80
CONCT. 38-42% PROTEIN	"	14.80	14.90	14.90	16.80	16.10	16.00
BEEF CATTLE							
CONCT. 32-36% PROTEIN	"	11.60	11.90	11.70	13.90	13.40	13.40
STOCK SALT	"	6.09	6.13	6.21	6.41	6.52	6.54
MOLASSES, LIQUID	"	8.41	8.49	8.57	8.92	8.93	8.91
INDEX (1977=100)							
FEED, PRICE INDEX	PCT	120	124	125	144	*142	143

* REVISED.

FEED: PRICES PAID, BY STATES, MARCH 1984

STATE	BRAN	MIDDLINGS	COTTONSEED MEAL 41% PROTEIN	SOYBEAN MEAL 44% PROTEIN	CORN MEAL	MOLASSES LIQUID	STOCK SALT 1/
DOLLARS PER CWT							
ALA	11.00	11.00	16.00	15.50	9.90	8.80	6.50
ARIZ	13.00	13.00	10.00	22.50	11.00	11.00	6.40
ARK	9.40	9.70	15.00	14.50	9.30	9.10	5.40
CALIF	12.50	12.50	16.00	19.50	11.00	7.20	6.30
COLO	10.50	9.70	16.00	15.50	8.10	7.80	4.85
CONN	12.00	12.00		15.50	11.00	8.00	8.70
DEL	11.00	10.00	16.50	17.50	9.40	9.10	8.20
FLA	13.50	13.00	17.50	18.00	11.50	4.80	7.60
GA	11.00	9.90	16.00	14.50	10.00	8.70	7.30
HAW							
IDAHO	11.00	10.50	16.00	17.00	9.70	7.30	4.30
ILL	10.60	11.00	17.50	14.50	7.70	11.50	6.90
IND	11.00	11.50	18.00	14.00	7.20	10.50	7.90
IOWA	9.40	9.30	13.00	13.50	7.70	9.30	6.60
KANS	9.40	10.00	15.00	13.50	7.50	7.60	4.10
KY	11.00	10.50	16.50	14.00	8.40	10.50	7.20
LA	10.00	12.00	16.50	18.50	11.00	7.50	6.80
MAINE	11.00	12.00		15.00	10.50	8.10	10.00
MD	11.00	10.00	16.50	17.50	9.40	9.10	8.20
MASS	12.50	12.50		16.00	11.00	7.90	9.50
MICH	11.50	10.50	18.00	14.00	7.20	10.00	8.40
MINN	9.40	9.00		12.50	6.70	9.30	6.40
MISS	11.50	12.00	14.50	13.00	11.50	8.70	6.20
MO	9.60	9.60	15.00	13.50	7.80	8.50	5.00
MONT	12.50	9.70	17.00	17.00	9.70	8.50	4.50
NEBR	9.90	9.70	12.00	13.00	8.20	7.60	5.30
NEV	12.00	12.00	16.00		13.50	7.30	5.50
N H	10.50	12.50		15.50	11.00	7.90	10.00
N J	11.50	11.50		16.00	11.00	8.10	8.60
N MEX	11.00	11.00	17.00	16.00	10.50	8.30	6.00
N Y	10.00	8.60	16.00	14.50	9.50	7.80	7.70
N C	11.50	9.90	17.50	15.00	9.30	9.50	8.40
N DAK	9.90	8.50		14.50	6.90	8.70	5.90
OHIO	10.50	10.00	19.00	14.00	7.50	10.50	7.90
OKLA	10.00	9.90	15.00	15.00	9.90	7.90	5.20
OREG	12.50	10.50	17.50	18.00	11.50	8.30	5.80
PA	10.50	9.70	16.00	14.00	9.90	8.20	7.80
R I							
S C	11.50	10.00	17.50	17.00	11.00	10.50	7.40
S DAK	9.70	9.60	15.50	13.50	8.60	8.50	5.50
TENN	10.50	9.90	14.00	13.50	10.00	10.50	6.70
TEX	11.00	10.50	16.00	17.00	10.50	8.50	6.50
UTAH	8.40	7.00	16.00	17.00	10.00	8.00	4.25
VT	11.00	10.50		15.00	10.50	7.60	8.70
VA	11.00	10.00	18.00	14.50	9.10	9.50	7.50
WASH	18.50	8.50	20.00	19.50	11.50	14.50	6.70
W VA	11.50	11.50	17.50	15.50	9.50	10.50	7.80
WIS	9.90	9.90	13.00	12.80	7.30	8.60	6.90
WYO	11.00	10.00	15.00		7.40	6.60	4.40
U S	10.60	10.20	15.90	14.50	8.79	8.91	6.54

1/ STOCK SALT: DATA NOT COMPARABLE TO PREVIOUS YEARS. CURRENT DATA REFLECTS A COMBINED BAGGED AND BLOCK PRICE WHILE PREVIOUS YEARS DID NOT CONSIDER THE FORM IN WHICH PURCHASED.

FEED AND MILK-FEED RATIO: PRICES PAID AND RATIOS,
BY STATES, MARCH 1984

STATE	HOG FEED		BEEF CATTLE	DAIRY FEED					MILK-FEED PRICE RATIO 1/
	CONCENTRATE		CONCENTRATE	PERCENT PROTEIN					
	14-18% PROTEIN	38-42% PROTEIN	32-36% PROTEIN	14	16	18	20	32% PROTEIN	
	DOLLARS PER CWT			DOLLARS PER TON					
ALA	12.50	17.00	13.00		210	210	225	260	1.36
ARIZ	12.00	18.50		195					
ARK	10.00	14.50	11.00	171	177			235	1.57
CALIF	13.50	17.50	14.50	180	183				1.41
COLO	11.00	16.00	10.50	200	240			290	1.23
CONN					180	196	196		
DEL					200	215	215	260	
FLA	12.60	16.00	14.50	176	205			265	1.52
GA	12.50	17.00	14.00		215	220	225	265	1.34
HAW									
IDAHO	12.50	18.50	13.00	170	174			305	1.47
ILL	11.80	16.40	13.30	205	215			290	1.21
IND	12.00	16.10	14.50		215	210		295	1.24
IOWA	11.90	15.80	14.00	200	210			305	1.24
KANS	12.00	15.60	12.30	205	210			295	1.31
KY	12.00	15.80	13.00		200	205	205	280	1.34
LA	13.50	17.50	15.50		210	215	230	265	1.32
MAINE					187	192	195		
MD	11.00	18.50	12.50		200	215	215	260	1.36
MASS					182	185	186		
MICH	11.00	16.00	14.50	179	205			320	1.31
MINN	11.30	15.60	13.00	170	183			280	1.36
MISS	12.50	17.00	12.50		200	199	205	315	1.39
MO	11.50	15.50	11.50	195	198			260	1.31
MONT	12.00	19.00	13.00	167	174				
NEBR	11.50	15.90	12.10	174	179			270	1.46
NEV			11.50	200	235				
N H					200	205	205		
N J	12.00	16.00			210	215	220	275	
N MEX	14.00	19.00	14.50	190	200			300	
N Y	11.00	16.50	12.00		205	210	210	255	1.27
N C	12.00	15.50	13.50		190	197	210	275	1.56
N DAK	11.00	16.00	11.50	168	181			270	1.34
OHIO	12.50	16.80	14.50		210	215	210	295	1.27
OKLA	11.00	15.50	13.00	182	187			290	1.49
OREG	10.50	15.50	11.00	188	192			290	1.36
PA	11.30	16.00	14.00		205	215	225	280	1.34
R I					189				
S C	11.50	14.50	13.00		205	210	210	270	
S DAK	10.90	15.20	12.10	189	195			285	
TENN	11.50	15.00	12.00		198	205	205	270	1.34
TEX	13.00	17.50	15.50	197	220			265	1.28
UTAH			11.50	165	178			220	1.46
VT					193	199	205		1.40
VA	11.50	15.50	13.00		210	220	215	250	1.32
WASH			17.50	189	195			340	1.31
W VA			13.50		205	210	220	270	
WIS	12.30	16.70	14.10	191	200			290	1.29
WYO			11.50	215	225				
U S	11.80	16.00	13.40	185	199	210	211	283	1.33

1/ NUMBER OF POUNDS OF 16 PERCENT MIXED DAIRY FEED EQUAL IN VALUE TO ONE POUND OF MILK SOLD TO PLANTS.

POULTRY FEED AND FEED RATIOS: PRICES PAID AND RATIOS,
BY STATES, MARCH 1984

STATE	POULTRY FEED				POULTRY PRICE RATIOS 1/		
	CHICK STARTER	LAYING FEED	BROILER GROWER	TURKEY GROWER	EGG FEED	BROILER FEED	TURKEY FEED
	DOLLARS PER TON				POUNDS		
ALA	230	225	270		8.0	2.7	
ARIZ		265					
ARK	245	195	240	255	8.3	3.2	3.3
CALIF	220	191	265	245	7.0	2.8	3.0
COLO		235		260			
CONN		184			11.6		
DEL	220	220	235	250		3.5	
FLA	285	230	255		6.4	2.9	
GA	240	210	205	215	9.4	3.6	
HAW		255					
IDAHO		220					
ILL	260	240		270	6.2		
IND	260	245	265	295	5.9		
IOWA	255	186		240	7.0		3.4
KANS		235					
KY	270	230					
LA	290	265	285			2.7	
MAINE	215	170	225		11.3	3.3	
MD	220	220	235			3.5	
MASS		178					
MICH	245	210		230	5.7		
MINN	250	225	250	215	5.9		3.7
MISS	194	200	187		9.1	4.1	
MO	255	220	230	230	5.9		3.7
MONT		230					
NEBR		240		265			
NEV							
N H		193					
N J		205					
N MEX		260					
N Y		230		250	6.6		
N C	250	235	265	250	7.8	2.8	3.4
N DAK		230		265			
OHIO	240	205	230	230	7.4		
OKLA	250	230	260	320		3.0	
OREG	220	193	215	215			
PA	235	210	240	250	8.1	3.1	
R I		194					
S C	245	225	260	250	7.2	2.8	
S DAK		225		235			
TENN	240	210	215		8.1	3.3	
TEX	300	260	295	335	6.8	2.7	2.6
UTAH		195		245			
VT		191					
VA	230	200	250	285	8.2	3.0	3.2
WASH	250	205	225	275	6.8		
W VA		225	260	280			
WIS	265	210	255	280	6.7		2.7
WYO							
U S	239	214	242	252	7.4	3.1	3.3

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.

FUELS: PRICES PAID, BY STATES, MARCH 1984

STATE	GASOLINE			STATE	GASOLINE		
	SERVICE STATION	BULK DELIVERY	DIESEL BULK DELIVERY		SERVICE STATION	BULK DELIVERY	DIESEL BULK DELIVERY
	UNLEADED 1/	LEADED, REG 1/	2/ 3/		UNLEADED 1/	LEADED, REG 1/	2/ 3/
	DOLLARS PER GALLON				DOLLARS PER GALLON		
ALA	1.21	1.12	.990	NEBR	1.23	1.19	.990
ARIZ	1.20	1.11	.980	NEV	1.30	1.18	1.00
ARK	1.17	1.10	.950	N H 4/	1.23	1.19	1.13
CALIF	1.21	1.11	.970	N J	1.16	1.10	1.11
COLO	1.20	1.15	.970	N MEX	1.22	1.17	1.01
CONN 4/	1.23	1.19	1.13	N Y	1.23	1.22	1.19
DEL 5/	1.21	1.16	1.10	N C	1.17	1.14	1.13
FLA	1.24	1.11	1.06	N DAK	1.28	1.21	1.02
GA	1.19	1.10	.980	OHIO	1.22	1.17	1.05
HAW	1.50	1.18	1.19	OKLA	1.15	1.08	1.02
IDAHO	1.25	1.19	.990	OREG	1.20	1.06	.940
ILL	1.24	1.22	1.07	PA	1.21	1.19	1.13
IND	1.24	1.16	1.05	R I 4/	1.23	1.19	1.13
IOWA	1.21	1.17	1.00	S C	1.24	1.16	1.14
KANS	1.21	1.15	.990	S DAK	1.25	1.20	1.02
KY	1.23	1.13	1.02	TENN	1.14	1.09	.970
LA	1.14	1.08	.930	TEX	1.13	1.05	.980
MAINE 4/	1.23	1.19	1.13	UTAH	1.21	1.14	1.01
MD 5/	1.21	1.16	1.10	VT 4/	1.23	1.19	1.13
MASS 4/	1.23	1.19	1.13	VA	1.18	1.15	1.10
MICH	1.22	1.20	1.08	WASH	1.21	1.15	.950
MINN	1.28	1.17	1.02	W VA	1.27	1.22	1.26
MISS	1.26	1.15	1.08	WIS	1.23	1.21	1.04
MO	1.14	1.10	1.01	WYO	1.25	1.15	1.02
MONT	1.25	1.21	1.00	U S	1.20	1.16	1.02

1/ INCLUDES FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL PER GALLON TAXES. 2/ EXCLUDES STATE ROAD TAXES. 3/ INCLUDES STATE AND LOCAL PER GALLON TAXES WHERE APPLICABLE. 4/ AVERAGE PRICE NEW ENGLAND STATES. 5/ AVERAGE PRICE DELAWARE AND MARYLAND

FUELS: PRICES PAID, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	1983		1984	
	MAR		FEB	MAR
	DOLLARS PER GALLON			
GASOLINE, SERVICE STATION, (UNLEADED) 1/	1.16		1.20	1.20
GASOLINE, BULK DELIVERY, (LEADED REGULAR) 1/	1.08		1.16	1.16
DIESEL FUEL, BULK DELIVERY 2/ 3/	.964		1.04	1.02
L.P. GAS, BULK DELIVERY 2/ 3/	.767		.777	.772

1/ INCLUDES FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL PER GALLON TAXES. 2/ EXCLUDES STATE ROAD TAXES. 3/ INCLUDES STATE AND LOCAL PER GALLON TAXES WHERE APPLICABLE.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: PRICES PAID, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984,
WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	UNIT	1983			1984		
		JAN	FEB	MAR	JAN	FEB	MAR
DOLLARS							
FEEDERS AND STOCKERS							
CATTLE AND CALVES	CWT	61.50	64.00	66.50	62.00	63.50	64.00
PIGS 1/	"	110.00	111.00	112.00	67.00	*81.00	98.00
BROILER CHICKS	PER 100	16.50	16.70	16.80	16.80	17.10	17.10
EGG-TYPE CHICKS	"	50.00	50.00	50.20	49.90	50.10	49.60
TURKEY POULTS	EACH	.897	.917	.906	.935	.909	.930
INDEX (1977=100)							
FEEDER LIVESTOCK INDEX: PCT		165	170	175	156	*161	164

1/ BASED ON DATA DERIVED FROM REPORTS FROM FARMERS IN FEB, MAY, AUG, NOV, ON PRICES PAID FOR FEEDER PIGS. * REVISED.

FEEDER PIGS: PRICES PAID, BY STATES, FEBRUARY 1984

STATE	DOLLARS PER CWT	STATE	DOLLARS PER CWT
GA	59.50	MINN	84.50
ILL	87.50	MO	75.00
IND	85.00	NEBR	86.00
IOWA	79.00	N C	83.00
KANS	75.50	OHIO	75.00

PESTICIDES: PRICES PAID, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984,
WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	UNIT	1983		1984
		MAR	MAY	MAR
DOLLARS				
HERBICIDES				
ATRAZINE, 80% WETTABLE POWDER	5-LB	9.79	10.00	8.77
ALACHLOR, (LASSO), 4#/GAL	5-GAL	97.60	99.90	102
TRIFLURALIN, (TREFLAN), 4#/GAL	5-GAL	156	154	138
2, 4-D, 4#/GAL	5-GAL	54.20	52.80	49.20
BUTYLATE (SUTAN) 6.7#/GAL	5-GAL	108	113	112
INSECTICIDES				
CARBARYL, (SEVIN) 80% WETTABLE POWDER	10-LB	28.80	29.20	29.60
MALATHION, 5#/GAL	5-GAL	92.10	93.60	87.80
METHYL PARATHION, 4#/GAL	5-GAL	53.30	53.10	57.50
CARBOFURAN (FURADAN), GRAN 1/	50-LB	49.40	51.20	63.90
SYNTHETIC PYRETHROIDS, 2-3.2#/GAL	1-GAL	165	146	139
FUNGICIDES				
CAPTAN, 50% WETTABLE POWDER	LB	1.84	1.84	1.78

1/ PRICE REFLECTS SALES OF 10 AND 15 PERCENT GRANULAR.

FERTILIZER AND AGRICULTURAL LIMESTONE: PRICES PAID UNITED STATES,
MARCH 1984, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	1983		1984
	MAR	DEC	MAR
	DOLLARS PER TON		
0-10-20	134	138	143
0-20-20	170	169	176
3-9-9	171	167	179
3-9-18	139	144	146
4-8-12	166	169	179
5-10-10	143	138	146
5-10-15	149	152	158
5-20-20	179	175	184
6-6-6	110	115	125
6-12-12	153	152	152
6-24-24	205	198	212
8-24-24	213	209	219
8-32-16	224	216	235
10-10-10	156	154	163
10-15-15	208	203	217
10-20-10	194	197	203
10-20-20	207	199	215
10-34-0	244	237	254
12-12-12	181	174	179
13-13-13	182	177	185
15-15-15	201	193	206
16-20-0	219	216	224
18-46-0	249	245	271
19-9-0	195	195	200
NITRATE OF SODA	191	191	196
SULFATE OF AMMONIA	149	145	150
AMMONIUM NITRATE	185	186	198
UREA 45-46%	214	208	222
ANHYDROUS AMMONIA	237	232	275
AQUA AMMONIA	90.10	88.60	92.90
NITROGEN SOLUTIONS			
28% N	133	131	142
30% N	142	137	145
32% N	172	170	174
SUPERPHOSPHATE			
44-46% P ₂ O ₅	214	210	229
MURIATE OF POTASH 60% K ₂ O	143	131	144
LIMESTONE (SPREAD ON FIELD)	15.70	15.90	16.00

FERTILIZERS AND AGRICULTURAL LIMESTONE: PRICES PAID,
BY REGIONS, MARCH 1984

ITEM	REGIONS 1/									
	:NORTH: :EAST	:SOUTH: :EAST	:E. SO. : :CENTRAL	: SOUTH : :CENTRAL	: NORTH : :CENTRAL	:NORTH : :PLAINS	: NORTH : :MOUNT	:SOUTH :WEST	:SOUTH :WEST	
DOLLARS PER TON										
0-10-20		143								
0-20-20			178	158						
3-9-9		179								
3-9-18		146								
4-8-12		179								
5-10-10	156	142								
5-10-15		151	177							
5-20-20			187		171					
6-6-6		125								
6-12-12			152							
6-24-24	224		212	207	211					
8-24-24		223	219							
8-32-16					234	239				
10-10-10	170	165	144		157					
10-15-15	217									
10-20-10	221			192						
10-20-20	218	216			199					
10-34-0				234	253	253	287	301	284	
12-12-12			176	165	172				240	
13-13-13			184	189						
15-15-15	218				188					
16-20-0				204		228	226	224	242	
18-46-0	275		273	257	269	267	294	307	311	
19-9-0									200	
NITRATE OF SODA		195	202							
SULFATE OF AMMONIA				140	157		175	159	145	
AMMONIUM NITRATE	227	208	196	192	192	184	202	208	229	
UREA 45-46%	245		205	205	219	218	236	251	258	
ANHYDROUS AMMONIA		288	250	240	281	263	294	372	313	
AQUA AMMONIA								96.20	91.30	
NITROGEN SOLUTIONS										
28% N			152	147	141	141				
30% N	145	145								
32% N		150	156	159	168	167	198	194		
SUPERPHOSPHATE 44-46% P2O5	234	218	223	223	227	231	265	240	259	
MURIATE OF POTASH 60% K2O			157	145	142	154				
LIMESTONE (SPREAD ON FIELD)		22.50	24.50	16.00	19.40	11.60				

1/ NORTHEAST: CONN, DEL, MAINE, MD, MASS, N H, N J, N Y, PA, R I, VT & W VA;
SOUTHEAST: FLA, GA, N C, S C, & VA; EAST SOUTH CENTRAL: ALA, KY, LA, MISS &
TENN; SOUTH CENTRAL: ARK, OKLA & TEX; NORTH CENTRAL: ILL, IND, IOWA, MICH,
MINN, MO, OHIO, & WIS; NORTHERN PLAINS: KANS, NEBR, N DAK, & S DAK; MOUNTAIN:
COLO, MONT, N MEX, & WYO; NORTHWEST: IDAHO, OREG, & WASH; SOUTHWEST: ARIZ,
CALIF, NEV, & UTAH.

FARM MACHINERY AND TRACTORS: PRICES PAID, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1984,
WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM AND UNIT	1983		1984
	MAR	SEP	MAR
	DOLLARS		
PLOWS, MOLDBOARD, DRAWN OR MOUNTED, ONE-WAY:			
3-BOTTOMS, EACH	2,600	2,590	2,690
5-BOTTOMS, EACH	6,730	6,630	6,870
7-BOTTOMS, EACH	9,760	9,780	10,200
CHISEL PLOWS, DEEP TILLAGE, CHISEL OR SWEEP TYPE, DRAWN OR MTD., 18 FT., EACH	4,920	5,040	5,350
DISK HARROWS, TANDEM, DRAWN: 1/			
13 FT., EACH	5,220	5,200	5,390
16 FT., EACH	7,780	7,810	7,860
19 FT., EACH	10,200	10,400	10,600
FIELD CULTIVATORS, MOUNTED OR DRAWN:			
17 FT., EACH	2,280		2,500
18 FT., EACH	3,820		4,220
GRAIN DRILLS, WITH MOST COMMON SPACING:			
PLAIN, 16 TUBES, EACH	5,020	5,200	5,410
WITH FERT. ATTACH., 13 TUBES, EACH	5,000	4,900	5,150
PRESS, 24 TUBES, EACH	9,030	9,010	9,690
CORN PLANTERS:			
PLAIN, 4-ROW, EACH	6,590		6,900
WITH FERT. ATTACH., 4-ROW, EACH	8,250		8,520
WITH FERT. ATTACH., 8-ROW, EACH	16,300		17,000
FEED GRINDER-MIXERS, TRAILER MTD., P.T.O., EACH	7,440		7,810
FARM BULK MILK COOLER, DIRECT EXPANSION TYPE 500-700 GAL CAP., EACH	8,100		8,310
<u>TRACTORS-WHEEL TYPE</u>			
2-WHEEL DRIVE:			
30-39 P.T.O. OR BELT HP., EACH	11,300	11,200	11,300
50-59 P.T.O. OR BELT HP., EACH	17,000	17,300	17,400
110-129 P.T.O. OR BELT HP., EACH	39,300	40,600	42,000
4-WHEEL DRIVE:			
170-240 P.T.O. OR BELT HP., EACH	77,800	78,000	80,700
1/ WITH TRANSPORT WHEEL AND HYDRAULIC LIFT, LESS TIRES.			

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