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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX DOWN 1 POINT

The March Index of Prices Received by Farmers for All Farm Products decreased 1 point (0.8 percent) from February to 121 percent of its January-December 1977 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The index for Livestock and Products was down 2 points (1.5 percent) from the previous month. Declines in the Meat Animal Index and Dairy Products Index were partially offset by an increase in the Poultry and Eggs Index. The March All Crops Index was unchanged from a month earlier. Increases in the indexes for Commercial Vegetables and for Potatoes were offset by lower indexes for Food Grains and for Feed Grains and Hay.

Higher prices in March for tomatoes, eggs, broilers, potatoes, and soybeans were not great enough to offset the decline from February for cattle, hogs, corn, and milk. Beef cattle and hog prices have continued to move lower since December 1985. Corn prices have continued downward since January but soybean prices have moved upward.

* SEE PAGE 3 FOR MODIFICATIONS TO PRICES PAID PROGRAMS *

SUMMARY TABLE

INDEX 1977=100	FEB 1986		MAR 1986	
	FEB 1985	MAR 1985	PRELIM	REVISED
PRICES RECEIVED	135	134	121	122
PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES, AND FARM WAGE RATES	164	164	163	
RATIO 1/	82	82	74	2/75

1/ RATIO OF INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS TO INDEX OF PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES, AND FARM WAGE RATES. 2/ RATIO DERIVED USING THE MOST RECENT PRICES PAID INDEX.

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PRICES RECEIVED

The March All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers decreased 1 point (0.8 percent) from the previous month to 121 percent of its 1977 average. Compared with a year earlier the index was down 13 points (9.7 percent). Of the subgroups shown on page 6, the following contributed most to the changes from a month earlier.

LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS: The March index, at 131, was down 2 points (1.5 percent) from the preceding month and was 10 points (7.1 percent) below March 1985.

MEAT ANIMALS: At 136, the index decreased 3 points (2.2 percent) from the previous month and was 12 points (8.1 percent) below a year ago. Cattle prices, averaging \$51.80 per cwt, declined \$1.20 from February, and calf prices were 20 cents lower at \$62.60. Hog prices were down \$2.10 to \$40.70 per cwt.

POULTRY AND EGGS: The March index, at 125, was up 9 points (7.8 percent) from both a month earlier and March 1985. Egg prices, averaging 68.3 cents per dozen were 6.8 cents above February. Broiler prices increased 1.2 cents to 30.2 cents per pound. Turkeys, at 36.9 cents per pound, were up 0.5 cent.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: At 126, the index was down 2 points (1.6 percent) from the previous month and 11 points (8.0 percent) below March a year ago. All milk sold to plants and dealers averaged \$12.20 per cwt, 20 cents below last month.

ALL CROPS: The index for March, at 111, was unchanged from a month earlier but was 17 points (13 percent) below a year ago.

VEGETABLES: The commercial vegetable index, at 130, was up 13 points (11 percent) from February but down 27 points (17 percent) from March 1985. Higher tomato prices were the major contributor to the increase from a month earlier. Slightly offsetting were lower prices for celery, lettuce, and carrots.

FEED GRAINS AND HAY: At 111, the index was 2 points (1.8 percent) below the previous month and 19 points (15 percent) below March 1985. Corn was \$2.25 per bushel in March, down 7 cents from February but sorghum grain at \$3.60 per cwt was up 5 cents. Barley averaged 5 cents lower at \$1.90 per bushel and oats were down one cent at \$1.15 per bushel. Hay was \$68.00 per ton, up 70 cents.

FOOD GRAINS: The March index was 129, down 2 points (1.5 percent) from February and 11 points (7.9 percent) from a year ago. Wheat averaged \$3.11 per bushel, down 4 cents from the previous month. Rice, at \$7.69 per cwt, was down 17 cents.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS

The Statistical Reporting Service (SRS) of the USDA has made modifications to the entire prices paid estimating program. These actions are in response to the funding level provided to the Agency for fiscal year 1986. Final notice of these program modifications was published in the Friday, March 14, 1986, FEDERAL REGISTER.

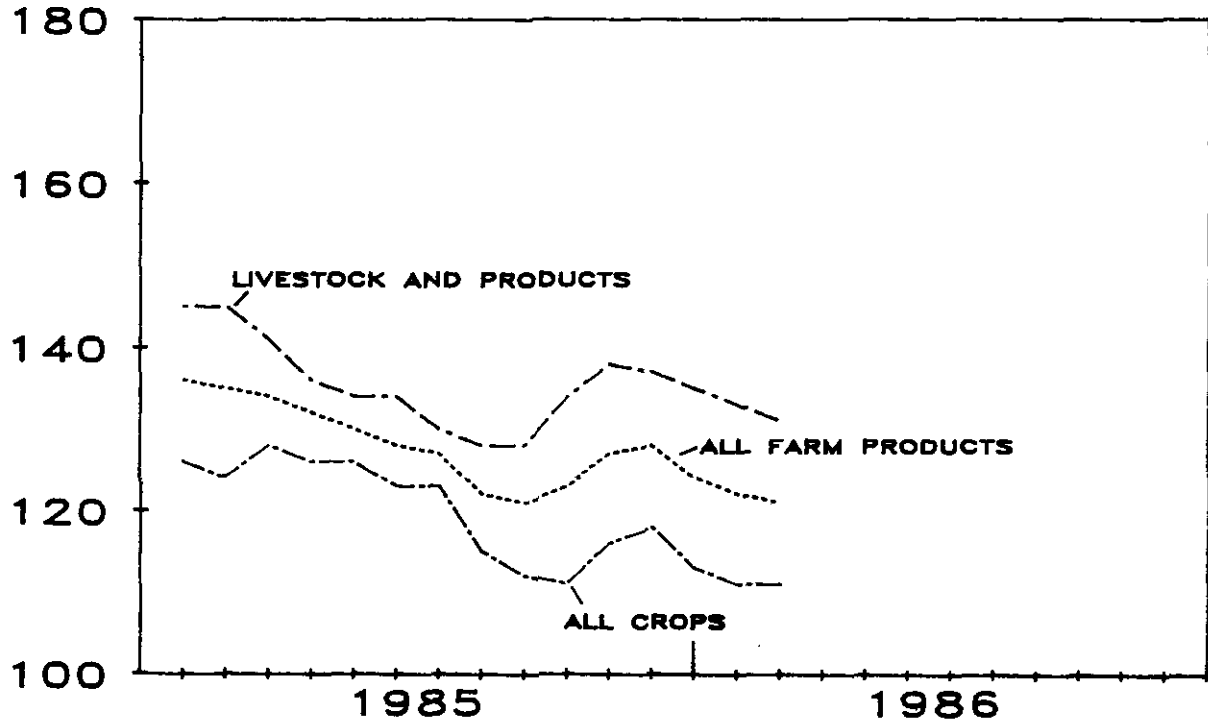
The major changes for prices paid surveys will be a shift from monthly to quarterly. Also, State level estimates will be discontinued. Regional and U.S. level prices will be published quarterly. These changes were effective following the February 1986 report. The telephone, electric, and natural gas survey conducted annually will be discontinued.

Months when survey data will be obtained and the level for which estimates will be published are shown in the following table.

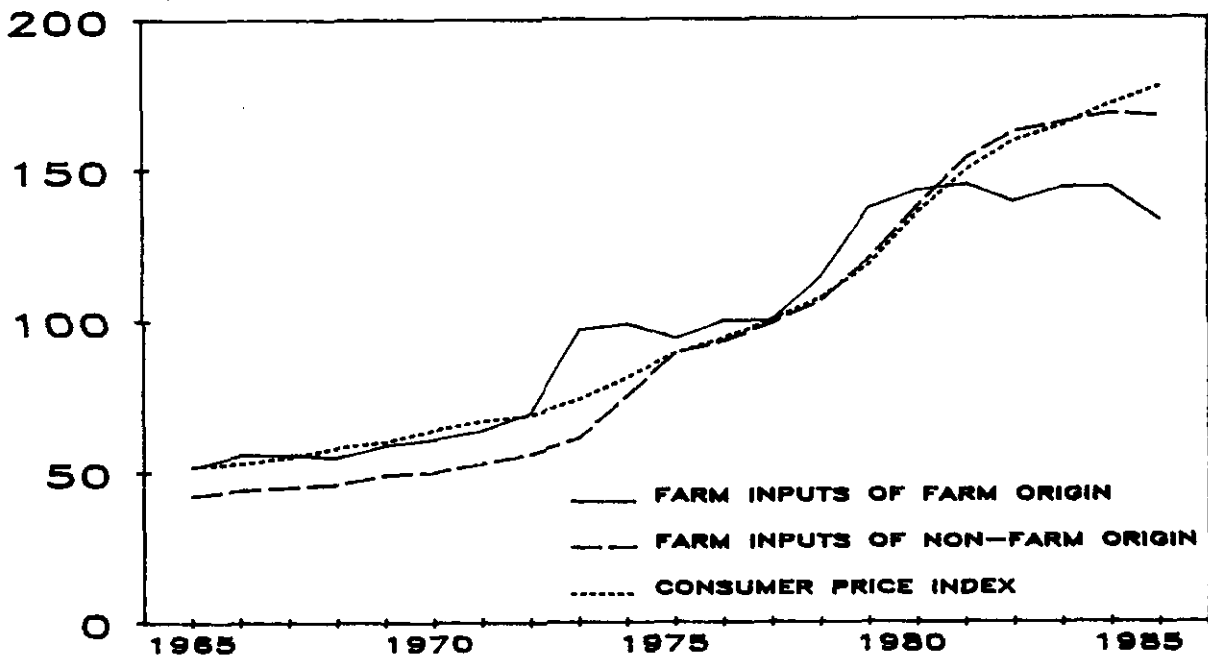
PRICES PAID PROGRAM FOR 1986

Commodity Group	: Months when prices paid data : : WILL BE PUBLISHED				: Level of estimates : : TO BE PUBLISHED	
	: Jan	: Apr	: Jul	: Oct	: Production: : Region	: U.S.
Agricultural Chemicals		X				X
Autos and Trucks (New)		X				X
Building Materials		X	X	X		X
Farm Machinery		X		X		X
Farm Supplies		X		X		X
Feed	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fertilizer		X		X	X	X
Fuels & Energy	X	X	X	X	X	X
Motor Supplies		X		X		X
Retail Seeds		X				X
Replacement Livestock	X	X	X	X		X
Ratios						
Broiler-Feed	X	X	X	X		X
Egg-Feed	X	X	X	X		X
Hog-Corn	X	X	X	X		X
Milk-Feed	X	X	X	X		X
Turkey-Feed	X	X	X	X		X

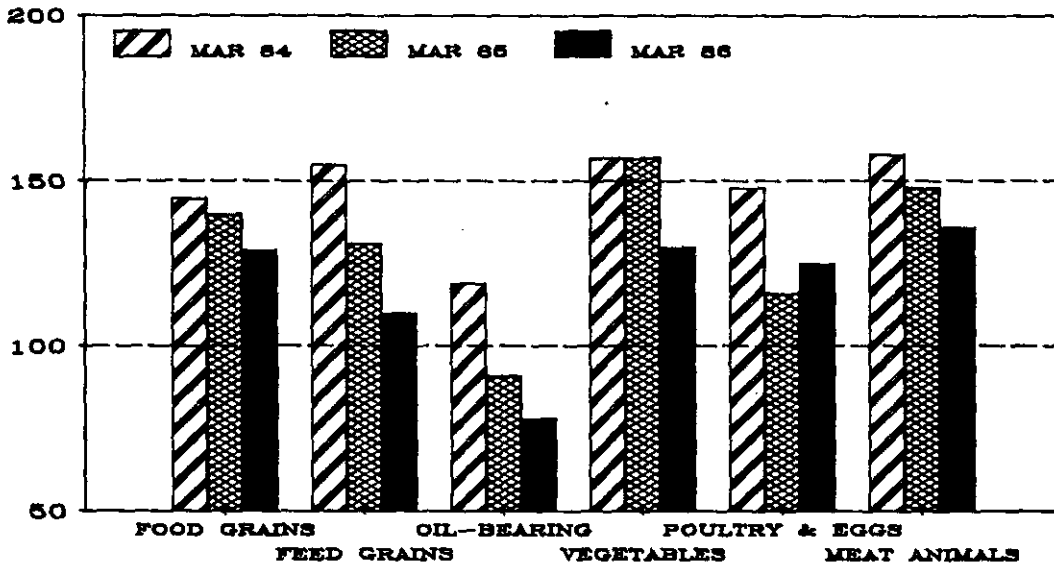
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 INDEX VALUES(1977=100)



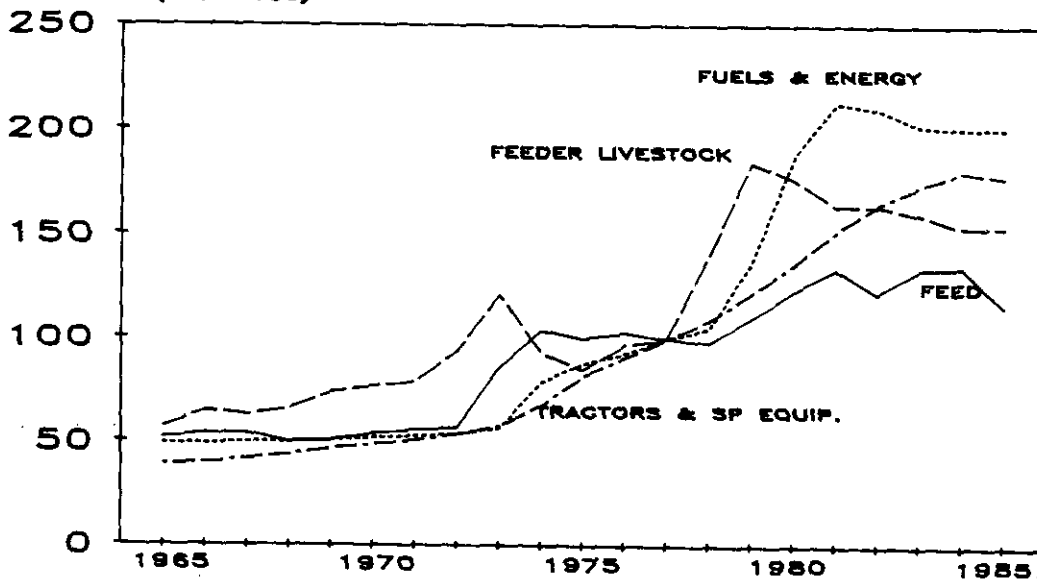
PRICE INDEXES, 1965 - 1985, US
 INDEX VALUES(1977=100)



PRICES RECEIVED INDEX COMPARISONS
INDEX VALUES (1977 = 100) MARCH



SELECTED PRICES PAID INDEXES, US
INDEX VALUES (1977=100)



INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1986,
WITH COMPARISONS

INDEX	1910-14=100				1977=100					
	: AVERAGE:		1985 :		1986		: 1985 :		1986	
	: JAN-DEC:		:		:		:		:	
	: 1977 :	MAR :	FEB :	MAR :	MAR :	FEB :	MAR :	FEB :	MAR :	
UNADJUSTED	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
ALL FARM PRODUCTS	: 457	614	*557	554	134	*122	121	:	:	:
ALL CROPS	: 433	553	*478	479	128	*111	111	:	:	:
FOOD GRAINS	: 275	385	*360	355	140	*131	129	:	:	:
FEED GRAINS & HAY	: 316	411	*357	351	130	*113	111	:	:	:
FEED GRAINS	: 299	392	*336	329	131	*112	110	:	:	:
COTTON	: 511	474	*468	464	93	*92	91	:	:	:
TOBACCO	: 972	1549	1411	1386	159	145	143	:	:	:
OIL-BEARING CROPS	: 652	591	*506	509	91	*78	78	:	:	:
FRUIT, ALL	: 370	657	*569	560	177	*154	151	:	:	:
FRESH MARKET 1/	: 362	679	*579	570	188	160	158	:	:	:
COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES	: 498	780	*581	646	157	*117	130	:	:	:
FRESH MARKET	: 658	1043	*710	807	158	*108	123	:	:	:
POTATOES, ETC 2/	: 363	497	*329	342	137	91	94	:	:	:
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS	: 481	677	*640	633	141	*133	131	:	:	:
MEAT ANIMALS	: 564	837	*787	765	148	*139	136	:	:	:
DAIRY PRODUCTS	: 594	813	759	746	137	128	126	:	:	:
POULTRY & EGGS	: 228	265	265	284	116	116	125	:	:	:
FOOD COMMODITIES	:	:	:	:	141	*129	129	:	:	:
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
FRESH MARKET FRUIT 1/	: 352	716	675	697	203	192	198	:	:	:
FRESH MARKET VEGETABLES	: 663	893	*558	672	135	*84	101	:	:	:
POTATOES, ETC 2/	: 365	503	*346	346	138	95	95	:	:	:
DAIRY PRODUCTS	: 594	813	751	746	137	126	126	:	:	:
POULTRY & EGGS	: 228	263	256	277	115	112	121	:	:	:

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

SELECTED INDEX NUMBERS FOR PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS,
1977=100, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES, 1985 AND 1986

MONTH	INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED				INDEX OF PRICES PAID					
	: ALL FARM		: ALL		: LIVESTOCK		: COMM, SERVICES:		: PRODUCTION	
	: PRODUCTS		: CROPS		: AND		: INT., TAXES,		: ITEMS	
	:		:		: PRODUCTS		: WAGE RATES		:	
	: 1985	: 1986	: 1985	: 1986	: 1985	: 1986	: 1985	: 1986	: 1985	: 1986
JAN	: 136	124	126	113	145	135	164	163	154	150
FEB	: 135	122	124	111	145	133	164	163	154	149
MAR	: 134	121	128	111	141	131	164		153	
APR	: 132		126		136		164		153	
MAY	: 130		126		134		164		152	
JUN	: 128		123		134		164		151	
JUL	: 127		123		130		163		150	
AUG	: 122		115		128		162		149	
SEP	: 121		112		128		162		148	
OCT	: 123		111		134		162		148	
NOV	: 127		116		138		162		149	
DEC	: 128		118		137		162		149	

INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES
AND RELATED DATA, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1986, WITH COMPARISONS

INDEXES AND RATIOS	1910-14=100			1977=100		
	1985	1986	1985	1986	1985	1986
	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS FOR COMMODITIES & SERVICES, INTEREST, TAXES, & WAGE RATES (PARITY INDEX 1910-14=100)	*1,125	1,119		164	163	
PRODUCTION ITEMS	*885	862		153	149	
FEED	480	449		121	113	
FEEDER LIVESTOCK	*1,003	927		*164	152	
SEED	966	955		156	154	
FERTILIZER	365	341		137	128	
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS	546	555		*126	128	
FUELS & ENERGY	696	671		195	188	
FARM & MOTOR SUPPLIES	653	640		*148	145	
AUTOS & TRUCKS	2,176	2,269		189	197	
TRACTORS & SELF-PROPELLED MACHINERY	2,171	2,099		180	174	
OTHER MACHINERY	2,036	2,060		182	184	
BUILDING & FENCING	1,265	1,259		136	136	
FARM SERVICES & CASH RENT 1/	1,009	1,033		*150	153	
INTEREST 1/ 2/	*4,096	4,021		*242	237	
TAXES 1/ 3/	*2,142	2,192		*133	136	
WAGE RATES	*2,935	2,862		*154	150	
PRODUCTION ITEMS, INTEREST, TAXES, & WAGE RATES	*1,178	1,150		*159	155	
FAMILY LIVING - CPI 4/	1,007	1,042		175	181	
PARITY RATIO 5/	*55	*50				
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (PRELIM) 6/	*57	*53				
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX 7/				(1967=100)		
ALL COMMODITIES				309	305	
INDUSTRIAL COMMODITIES				323	319	
FARM PROD & PROC FOODS & FEEDS				255	248	

* 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 105.9 FOR 1986 AND THE REVISED ADJUSTMENT FACTOR IS 105.2 FOR 1985. 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.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
MARCH 1986, WITH COMPARISONS

COMMODITY	UNIT	ENTIRE MONTH				PRELIMINARY
		AVERAGE JAN - DEC 1977	MAR 1985	FEB 1986	MAR 1986	
DOLLARS						
FIELD CROPS						
BARLEY, ALL FEED	BU	1.91	2.18	1.95	1.90	
BARLEY, ALL MALTING	BU		2.17	1.99	1.92	
BEANS, DRY EDIBLE	CWT	17.60	19.10	16.90	17.00	
CORN	BU	2.03	2.67	2.32	2.25	
COTTON, AMER UPLAND	LB	.605	.561	.554	.550	
COTTONSEED	TON	79.70		64.00		
FLAXSEED	BU	5.78	6.18	4.93	4.92	
HAY, ALL, BALED 1/	TON	57.10	72.20	67.30	68.00	
ALFALFA	TON		75.80	72.20	71.80	
OTHER	TON		61.70	56.00	58.50	
OATS	BU	1.29	1.68	1.16	1.15	
PEANUTS, IN-SHELL	LB	.208				
POTATOES	CWT	3.78	5.40	3.30	3.51	
RICE, ROUGH	CWT	7.94	8.17	7.86	7.69	
SORGHUM GRAIN	CWT	3.11	4.24	3.55	3.60	
SOYBEANS	BU	6.82	5.88	5.18	5.22	
SUNFLOWER 2/	CWT		11.30	7.93	7.76	
SWEETPOTATOES	CWT	10.20	18.20	1/11.80	11.20	
TOBACCO	LB	1.141	1.571	1.545	1.460	
WHEAT, ALL WINTER	BU	2.29	3.38	3.15	3.11	
DURUM	BU	2.25	3.32	3.06	3.03	
OTHER SPRING	BU	2.42	3.55	3.17	3.20	
HARD RED	BU		3.49	3.46	3.38	
SOFT RED	BU		3.34	3.10		
WHITE	BU		3.42	3.23		
FRUIT						
CITRUS (EQUIV ON-TREE)						
GRAPEFRUIT	BOX	1.66	3.02	3.72	3.90	
LEMONS	BOX	2.18	1.61	5.46	3.95	
LIMES	BOX	34.42	29.28	23.05	58.72	
ORANGES	BOX	2.78	7.35	3.69	3.69	
TANGELOS	BOX	3.68		3.00		
TANGERINES	BOX	3.18	6.33	9.09	6.69	
TEMPLES	BOX	1.17	5.75	2.46	2.34	
NON-CITRUS						
APPLES, FRESH	LB	.120	.157	.179	.184	
PEACHES, FRESH 3/	LB	.147				
PEARS, FRESH 3/	TON	145.00	378.00	350.00	417.00	
STRAWBERRIES, FRESH	LB	.433	.712	.849	.682	

1/ MID-MONTH PRICE.

2/ THREE-STATE (MINN, N DAK, AND S DAK) AVERAGE.

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

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES,
MARCH 1986, WITH COMPARISONS (CON'T)

COMMODITY	UNIT	AVERAGE				ENTIRE MONTH		PRELIMINARY
		JAN - DEC 1977	MAR 1985	FEB 1986	MAR 1986	MAR 1986		
DOLLARS								
VEGETABLES, FRESH 1/								
ASPARAGUS	CWT	52.00		92.80		63.00		
BROCCOLI	CWT	19.90	33.00	24.50		23.00		
CARROTS	CWT	11.40	11.00	11.40		10.90		
CAULIFLOWER	CWT	23.40	38.00	28.20		30.10		
CELERY	CWT	8.76	7.47	8.97		7.89		
CORN, SWEET	CWT	9.14	28.00	26.00		26.30		
HONEYDEW MELONS	CWT	11.20						
LETTUCE	CWT	7.60	9.63	8.55		8.35		
ONIONS	CWT	10.30	7.93	6.31		6.79		
TOMATOES	CWT	23.40	58.20	22.80		35.40		
LIVESTOCK								
CALVES	CWT	36.80	65.90	62.80		62.60		
CATTLE, ALL BEEF	CWT	34.50	57.30	53.00		51.80		
COWS	CWT	24.40	40.90	36.80		36.70		
STEERS & HEIFERS	CWT	37.30	60.70	56.40		55.00		
MILK COWS 2/	HEAD	504.00						
HOGS, ALL	CWT	40.10	43.60	42.80		40.70		
BARROWS & GILTS	CWT		43.80	43.30		41.10		
SOWS	CWT		41.10	37.50		37.70		
LAMBS	CWT	51.40	68.00	67.00		66.80		
SHEEP	CWT	13.50	26.20	26.10		26.20		
WOOL 3/	LB	.714	.610	.558		.617		
DAIRY AND POULTRY								
MILK, ALL 4/	CWT	9.71	13.30	12.40		5/12.20		
FLUID GRADE	CWT	9.94	13.50	12.50		5/12.40		
MFG GRADE	CWT	8.71	12.30	11.40		5/11.30		
BROILERS, LIVE	LB	.235	.301	.290		.302		
EGGS, ALL 6/	DOZ	.541	.576	.615		.683		
MARKET 6/7/	DOZ		.504	.536		.617		
TURKEYS, LIVE 6/	LB	.348	.407	.364		.369		
ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL VARIATION								
EGGS, ALL	DOZ	.545	.543	.575		.632		
MILK, ALL 4/	CWT	9.71	13.30	12.28		12.20		

1/ F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT. CURRENT MONTH PRICES ARE FOR FIRST HALF OF MONTH.

2/ ANIMALS SOLD FOR DAIRY HERD REPLACEMENT ONLY. PRICES AVAILABLE FOR JAN, APR, JUL, AND OCT.

3/ AVERAGE LOCAL PRICE, EXCLUDING INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.

4/ BEFORE DEDUCTIONS FOR HAULING, CO-OP FEES, AND GOVERNMENT WITHHOLDING, BUT INCLUDES BULK TANK, QUANTITY, AND OTHER PREMIUMS. EXCLUDES HAULING SUBSIDIES.

5/ FAT TEST PERCENT: ALL MILK 3.71, FLUID MILK 3.71, MFG GRADE 3.73.

6/ MID-MONTH PRICE.

7/ INCLUDES EGGS SOLD RETAIL BY THE PRODUCER.

UNITED STATES PARITY PRICES FOR FARM PRODUCTS AND AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED AS PERCENT OF PARITY PRICES BASED ON DATA FOR MARCH 1986, WITH COMPARISONS 1/

COMMODITY AND UNIT	: ADJUSTED : : BASE :	PARITY PRICES 3/ BASED ON DATA FOR			: PRICES AS PERCENT : OF PARITY		
		: PRICES : : 2/ :	MAR : 1985 :	FEB : 1986 :	MAR : 1986 :	MAR : 1985 :	FEB : 1986 :
DOLLARS							
BASIC COMMODITIES							
ALL WHEAT, BU	: .610	7.07	6.83	6.83	48	46	46
RICE, CWT	: 4/1.74	19.70	19.50	19.50	41	40	39
CORN, BU	: .445	5.14	4.98	4.98	52	47	45
COTTON, LB							
AMERICAN UPLAND	: .112	1.24	1.25	1.25	45	44	44
EXTRA LONG STAPLE	: 4/.169	1.97	1.89	1.89			
PEANUTS, LB	: 4/.0404	.457	.452	.452			
TOBACCO, BY TYPE, LB							
FLUE-CURED, 11-14	: 4/.261	2.89	2.92	2.92			
VA FIRE-CURED, 21	: 4/.199	2.25	2.23	2.23		42	
KY-TENN FIRE-CURED, 22-23	: 4/.253	2.76	2.83	2.83	57	54	49
BURLEY, 31	: 4/.268	3.01	3.00	3.00	60	53	49
MARYLAND, 32	: 5/.223	2.45	2.50	2.50	63		58
DARK AIR-CURED, 35-36	: 4/.211	2.37	2.36	2.36		48	
SUN-CURED, 37	: 4/.186	2.14	2.08	2.08			
PA SEEDLEAF, 41	: 4/.130	1.42	1.45	1.45			
CIGAR FILLER & BINDER, 42-44, 53-55	: 4/.175	1.97	1.96	1.96			
PUERTO RICAN FILLER, 46	: 4/.163	1.77	1.82	1.82			
CIGAR BINDER, 51-52	: 4/.268	2.93	3.00	3.00			
DESIGNATED NONBASIC							
ALL MILK, SOLD TO PLANTS, PER CWT	: 2.10	23.50	23.50	23.50	6/57	6/52	6/52
HONEY, EXTRACTED, LB	: 7/.0986	1.11	1.10	1.10			
WOOL AND MOHAIR							
WOOL, LB	: .220	2.35	2.46	2.46	8/26	8/23	8/25
MOHAIR, LB	: .708	7.65	7.92	7.92			
OTHER NONBASIC							
BARLEY, BU	: .404	4.77	4.52	4.52	46	43	42
COTTONSEED, TON	: 4/17.70	211.00	198.00	198.00		32	
DRY EDIBLE BEANS, CWT	: 3.44	40.00	38.50	38.50	48	44	44
FLAXSEED, BU	: 1.05	12.40	11.70	11.70	50	42	42
OATS, BU	: .259	3.03	2.90	2.90	55	40	40
POTATOES, CWT	: 4/.866	9.24	9.69	9.69	58	34	36
RYE, BU	: .393	4.59	4.40	4.40			
SORGHUM GRAIN, CWT	: .754	8.69	8.44	8.44	49	42	43
SOYBEANS, BU	: 1.10	12.80	12.30	12.30	46	42	42
SWEETPOTATOES, CWT	: 2.22	24.70	24.80	24.80	74	48	45
APPLES, FRESH, LB 9/	: .0244	.275	.273	.273	57	66	67
CITRUS (EQUIV ON-TREE), BOX:							
GRAPEFRUIT	: 4/.441	4.38	4.93	4.93	69	75	79
LEMONS	: 4/.519	5.49	5.81	5.81	29	94	68
LIMES (FLA)	: 4/1.56	17.40	17.50	17.50	168	132	336
ORANGES	: 4/.760	7.47	8.50	8.50	98	43	43
TANGERINES	: 4/.919	8.99	10.30	10.30	70	88	65
TEMPLES (FLA)	: 4/.688	7.09	7.70	7.70	81	32	30
BEEF CATTLE, CWT	: 9.07	101.00	101.00	101.00	57	52	51
CALVES, CWT	: 10.40	114.00	116.00	116.00	58	54	54
HOGS, CWT	: 7.65	89.50	85.60	85.60	49	50	48
LAMBS, CWT	: 10.30	114.00	115.00	115.00	60	58	58
SHEEP, CWT	: 3.40	36.70	38.00	38.00	71	69	69
EGGS, DOZ	: .102	1.18	1.14	1.14	6/46	6/50	6/55
TURKEYS, LIVE, LB	: .0684	.763	.765	.765	53	48	48

SEE FOOTNOTES ON PAGE 12.

PARITY PRICES BASED ON DATA FOR MARCH 1986, UNITED STATES 1/

OTHER NONBASIC COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)	ADJUSTED BASE PRICES 4/	PARITY PRICES 3/
		DOLLARS
FIELD CROPS AND MISC COMMODITIES:		
HOPS, LB	.247	2.76
TOBACCO, LB		
CIGAR WRAPPER, 61	1.66	18.60
NONCITRUS FRUIT		
APPLES, PROCESSING, TON	18.30	205.00
APRICOTS, TON		
FRESH	125.00	1400.00
DRIED (CALIF)	340.00	3800.00
AVOCADOS, TON	110.00	1230.00
CHERRIES		
SWEET, TON	105.00	1170.00
TART, LB	.0550	.615
CRANBERRIES, BBL	4.87	54.50
DATES (CALIF), TON	105.00	1170.00
GRAPES, TON		
RAISIN VARIETIES	163.00	1820.00
OTHER VARIETIES, DRIED	35.10	393.00
NECTARINES (CALIF), FRESH, TON 10/	44.80	501.00
OLIVES (CALIF) CANNING, TON 10/	85.90	961.00
PEACHES		
FRESH, LB 11/	.0351	.393
DRIED (CALIF), TON	199.00	2230.00
PROCESSING (EXCL DRIED)		
CLINGSTONE (CALIF), TON 10/	28.40	318.00
PEARS, TON		
FRESH, 12/	42.60	477.00
DRIED (CALIF)	159.00	1780.00
PLUMS (CALIF) EQUIV ON-TREE, TON		
FRESH	47.80	535.00
PRUNES, DRIED (CALIF), TON	109.00	1220.00
PRUNES AND PLUMS (EXCL CALIF), TON		
FRESH	56.20	629.00
PROCESSING (EXCL DRIED)	18.00	201.00
TREE NUTS		
ALMONDS, LB	.174	1.95
FILBERTS, TON	130.00	1450.00
WALNUTS, TON	147.00	1640.00
VEGETABLES, FRESH, CWT		
CARROTS 13/	1.40	15.70
CAULIFLOWER 13/	3.80	42.50
CELERY 13/	1.79	20.00
HONEYDEW MELONS	2.11	23.60
LETTUCE	1.72	19.20
ONIONS 13/	1.63	18.20
TOMATOES	3.75	42.00

SEE FOOTNOTES ON PAGE 12.

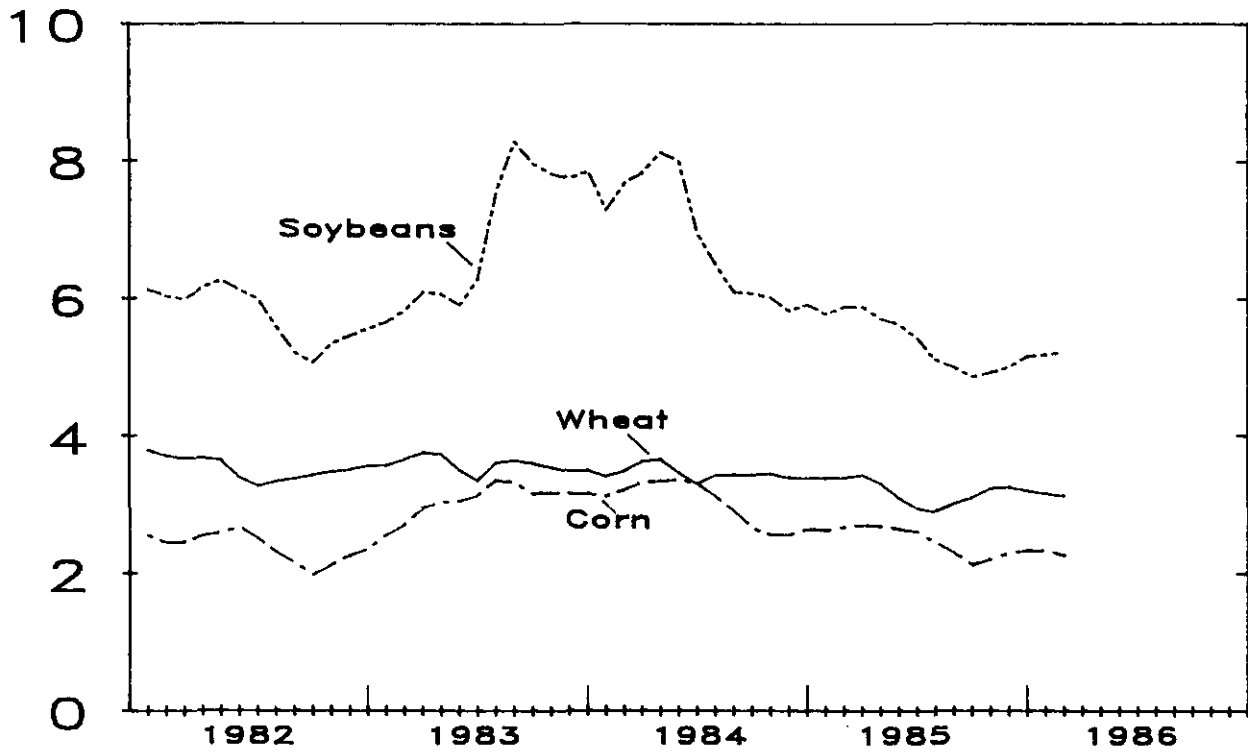
FOOTNOTES ON PARITY PRICES

- 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 1976-DEC 1985 AVERAGE (INCLUDING AN ALLOWANCE WHERE APPROPRIATE FOR UNREDEEMED LOANS AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS RESULTING FROM PRICE SUPPORT OPERATIONS) BY DIVIDING BY 582 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 1976-85 (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 1976-85.
- 6/ SEASONALLY ADJUSTED PRICE AS PERCENTAGE OF PARITY PRICE.
- 7/ WHOLESALE EXTRACTED. ADJUSTED BASE PRICE DERIVED FROM STATE ANNUAL AVERAGE PRICES WEIGHTED BY PRODUCTION. FOR 1982 THROUGH 1985 THE NATIONAL AVERAGES ARE THE SUPPORT PRICES.
- 8/ AVERAGE LOCAL MARKET PRICE, EXCLUDING INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.
- 9/ EQUIVALENT PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR RETURNS FOR APPLES FOR CALIF, OREG, AND WASH, 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 ALA, CALIF, GA, ILL, MICH, MINN, N J, N Y, N C, OHIO, OREG, PA, S C, WASH, AND W VA AND AVERAGE PRICE FOR ALL METHODS OF SALE FOR OTHER STATES.
- 12/ BASED ON PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR RETURNS FOR FRESH PEARS FOR CALIF, OREG, AND WASH, AVERAGE PRICES AS SOLD FOR FRESH USE FOR MICH AND N Y, AND AVERAGE PRICES FOR ALL METHODS OF SALES FOR OTHER STATES.
- 13/ INCLUDES SOME PROCESSING.

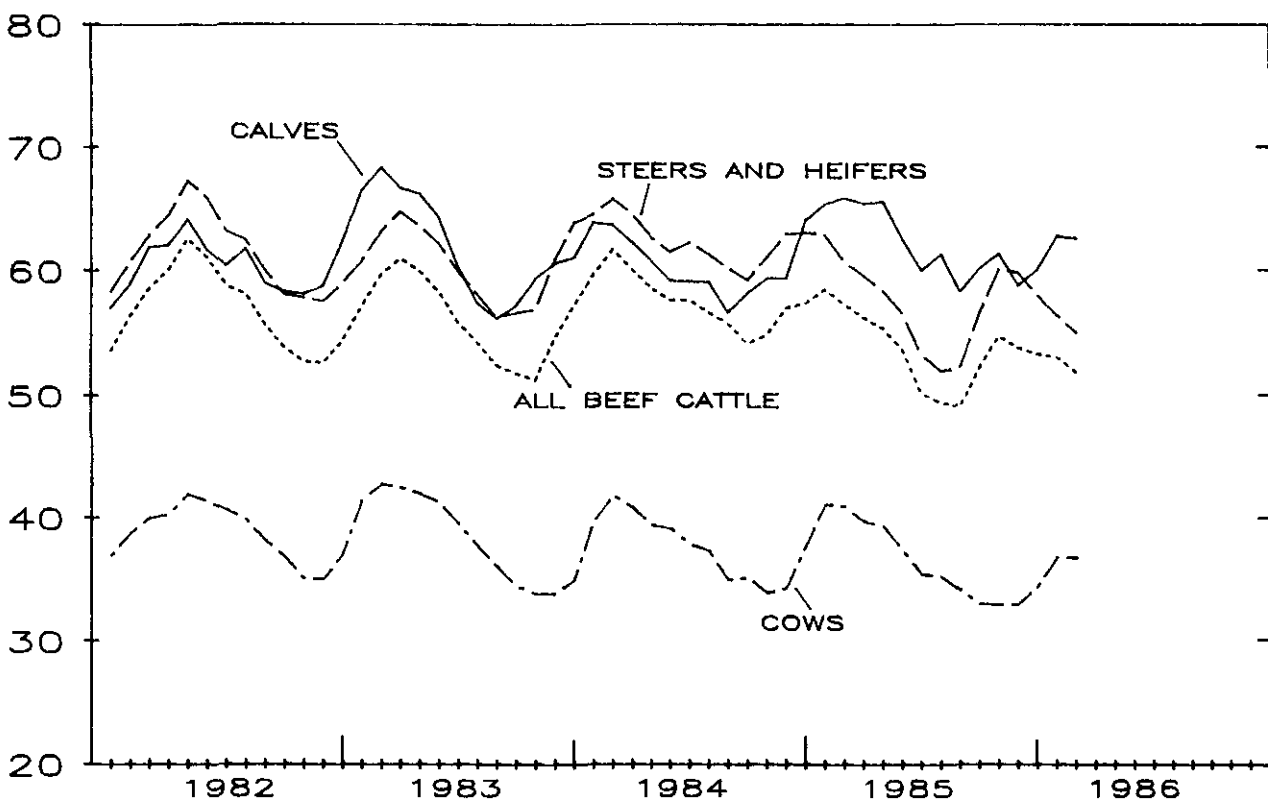
SEE PAGE 31, JANUARY AGRICULTURAL PRICES, FOR DETAILS ON PARITY PRICE COMPUTATIONS.

Prices Received by Farmers, US

DOLLARS PER BU



DOLLARS PER CWT



WHEAT: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	ALL WHEAT		WINTER WHEAT		DURUM WHEAT		OTH SPRING WHEAT	
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/
	DOLLARS PER BUSHEL							
ARIZ	4.08	3.30	3.54	3.30	4.24	3.30		
ARK	3.33	3.30	3.33	3.30				
CALIF	3.53	3.51	3.50	3.51	4.22			
COLO	2.99	2.78	2.99	2.78				
GA		2.70		2.70				
IDAHO	3.44	3.30	3.41	3.30			3.53	3.31
ILL	3.28	3.27	3.28	3.27				
IND	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25				
KANS	2.87	2.93	2.87	2.93				
MICH	3.11	3.15	3.11	3.15				
MINN	3.17	3.12	2.69	2.95	2.78	3.14	3.18	3.12
MO	3.08	3.20	3.08	3.20				
MONT	3.55	3.49	3.36	3.30	3.20	3.20	3.84	3.75
NEBR	2.91	2.87	2.91	2.87				
N DAK	3.26	3.31	2.70	2.80	3.16	3.20	3.41	3.45
OHIO	3.26	3.30	3.26	3.30				
OKLA	2.91	2.92	2.91	2.92				
OREG	3.52	3.45	3.52	3.45				
S DAK	3.50	3.31	3.06	3.01	3.20	3.15	3.68	3.43
TEX	2.96	2.87	2.96	2.87				
WASH	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.43				
U S	3.15	3.11	3.06	3.03	3.17	3.20	3.46	3.38

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH.

PRICES RECEIVED FOR SELECTED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES, 1985 AND 1986

MONTH	ALL WHEAT		CORN		SOYBEANS		BEEF CATTLE 1/		ALL HOGS	
	1985	1986 2/	1985	1986 2/	1985	1986 2/	1985	1986 2/	1985	1986 2/
	DOLLARS PER BUSHEL						DOLLARS PER CWT			
JAN	3.38	3.19	2.64	2.33	5.91	5.16	57.40	53.20	48.00	44.30
FEB	3.38	3.15	2.62	2.32	5.77	5.18	58.50	53.00	48.30	42.80
MAR	3.38	3.11	2.67	2.25	5.88	5.22	57.30	51.80	43.60	40.70
APR	3.43		2.70		5.88		56.20		41.20	
MAY	3.30		2.68		5.70		55.30		41.40	
JUN	3.09		2.64		5.62		53.60		44.60	
JUL	2.93		2.60		5.42		50.20		45.70	
AUG	2.89		2.44		5.10		49.40		42.50	
SEP	3.01		2.29		4.99		49.10		39.70	
OCT	3.09		2.11		4.85		52.10		43.10	
NOV	3.23		2.21		4.92		54.70		43.20	
DEC	3.25		2.29		5.00		53.70		45.30	

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

GRAINS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

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							5.19	5.29		
ARIZ										
ARK							5.33	5.29	3.20	3.47
CALIF	2.40	2.60			1.52	1.40				
COLO	1.87	1.80	2.46	2.46					3.73	3.50
GA			2.77	2.64			4.93	5.18		
IDAHO	2.39	2.26								
ILL			2.38	2.28	1.48	1.39	5.27	5.30		
IND			2.33	2.28		1.35	5.28	5.29		
IOWA			2.19	2.18	1.34	1.21	5.05	5.12		
KANS			2.34	2.37			4.94	5.02	3.47	3.52
KY			2.45	2.39			5.40	5.39		
LA							5.22	5.16		
MICH			2.19	2.15	1.10	1.10	5.05	5.15		
MINN	1.76	1.74	2.17	2.15	1.22	1.12	5.06	5.09		
MISS							5.31	5.27		
MO			2.25	2.25			5.10	5.20	3.72	3.80
MONT	2.10	2.19			1.47	1.45				
NEBR			2.28	2.24	1.13	1.12	4.96	5.00	3.47	3.46
N MEX									4.01	3.98
N Y					1.10	1.03				
N C			2.72	2.72			5.18	5.32		
N DAK	1.82	1.79			1.04	1.05				
OHIO			2.36	2.25	1.18	1.08	5.29	5.28		
OKLA									3.83	3.82
OREG	2.01	1.90			1.34	1.33				
PA			2.61	2.46	1.26	1.21				
S C							5.16	5.27		
S DAK	1.85	1.85	2.19	2.13	1.06	1.07	4.99	4.97	2.98	3.38
TENN							5.35	5.50		
TEX			2.79	2.59		1.70	4.71	4.76	4.08	3.97
UTAH	2.26	2.30								
WASH	1.95	1.82								
WIS			2.31	2.22	1.28	1.24				
U S	1.95	1.90	2.32	2.25	1.16	1.15	5.18	5.22	3.55	3.60

1/ THE THREE-STATE (MINN, N DAK, AND S DAK) FEED BARLEY PRICE FOR MAR 86 IS \$1.58. 2/ ENTIRE MONTH. 3/ MID-MONTH.

UPLAND COTTON AND RICE: PRICES RECEIVED AND MARKETINGS, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1986, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	UNIT	JAN 1986 1/	FEB 1986 1/	MAR 1986 2/
COTTON, UPLAND				
AVERAGE PRICE	DOLLARS/POUND	.530	.554	.550
MARKETINGS 3/	THOUSAND BALES	1178	682	NA
RICE				
AVERAGE PRICE	DOLLARS/CWT	7.90	7.86	7.69
MARKETINGS 4/	THOUSAND CWT	5824	5537	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 FROM PRODUCERS AS REPORTED BY COOPERATIVE MILLS.

FIELD CROPS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	DRY EDIBLE BEANS :		FLAXSEED :		TOBACCO :	PEANUTS 3/4/	
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	MAR 1/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/
	DOLLARS PER CWT		DOLLARS PER BU		DOLLARS PER POUND		
ALA							
CALIF	21.20	21.00					
COLO	16.80	16.60					
FLA							
GA							
IDAHO	18.40	17.70					
IND							
KY					1.465		
MD					1.460		
MICH	14.60	14.60					
MINN	14.00	12.10	4.76	4.80			
MO							
NEBR	20.10	20.10					
N C							
N DAK	14.00	13.00	4.96	4.95			
OHIO							
OKLA							
S C							
S DAK				4.80			
TENN					1.425		
TEX							
VA							
WASH	17.60	16.70					
W VA							
WYO	16.80	16.60					
U S	16.90	17.00	4.93	4.92	1.460		

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

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

CLASS BY BELTS	TYPE	TOBACCO	
		MAR 1985	MAR 1986
		DOLLARS PER POUND	
TOTAL EASTERN BELT	22	1.569	1.400
TOTAL WESTEN BELT	23	1.560	1.360
TOTAL KY-TN FIRED-CURED	22-23	1.568	1.395
TOTAL BURLEY BELT	31	1.815	1.475
SOUTHERN MD BELT	32	1.535	1.460
U S	22-32	1.571	1.460

FIELD CROPS AND APPLES: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES,
FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	COTTON		MARCH				DOL/CWT	DOL/LB
	AMERICAN UPLAND		COTTON--	HAY, BALED 3/	SWEET	APPLES		
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	SEED 5/	ALL	ALFALFA	OTHER	POTATOES 3/	FRESH USE 1/4/
	DOLLARS PER POUND		DOLLARS PER TON					
ALA	.512	.558					13.00	
ARIZ	.493	.521	90.00	90.00				
ARK	.556	.592	51.00	81.00	48.00			
CALIF	.584	.586	79.00	79.00	74.00	12.40	.260	
COLO			65.00	67.00	59.00		.100	
CONN							.250	
GA	.530	.560				10.20		
IDAHO			72.00	74.00	58.00		.310	
ILL			55.00	57.00	45.00			
IND			46.00	51.00	37.00		.195	
IOWA			52.00	54.00	40.00			
KANS			48.00	49.00	37.00			
KY			63.00	88.00	57.00			
LA	.545	.570				10.50		
MAINE							.230	
MD							.180	
MASS							.240	
MICH			53.00	55.00	45.00		.142	
MINN			68.00	74.00	51.00			
MISS	.562	.557						
MO			59.00	65.00	55.00			
MONT			90.00	90.00	85.00			
NEBR			43.00	44.00	40.00			
NEV			84.00	90.00	70.00			
N H							.250	
N J							.160	
N MEX			73.00	75.00	55.00			
N Y			79.00	90.00	71.00		.112	
N C						9.45	.165	
N DAK			55.00	63.00	44.00			
OHIO			57.00	63.00	40.00		.200	
OKLA	.482	.489	55.00	60.00	53.00			
OREG			82.00	93.00	67.00		.168	
PA			68.00	76.00	59.00		.201	
S DAK			49.00	50.00	39.00			
TENN	.481	.570						
TEX	.490	.501	73.00	83.00	68.00	17.90		
UTAH			67.00	70.00	54.00			
VT							.240	
VA							.230	
WASH			97.00	101.00	80.00		.191	
W VA							.220	
WIS			77.00	80.00	69.00			
WYO			77.00	81.00	72.00			
U S	.554	.550	68.00	71.80	58.50	11.20	.184	

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, N Y, OREG, AND WASH.
PRICE AT POINT OF FIRST SALE FOR OTHER STATES. 5/ INSUFFICIENT SALES.

POTATOES: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES,
FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	FEB	MAR	STATE	FEB	MAR
DOLLARS PER CWT			DOLLARS PER CWT		
ALA			N Y - ALL	4.85	3.95
ARIZ			- LONG ISLAND	2.80	2.80
CALIF - ALL	6.40	5.95	- UPSTATE	5.55	4.30
- WINTER	6.95	6.80	N C		
- SPRING			N DAK	3.60	3.60
- SUMMER			OHIO	4.50	3.90
- FALL	6.25	5.60	OREG	3.45	3.40
COLO	1.95	1.70	PA	4.75	4.80
FLA	13.00	14.50	TEX		
IDAHO - ALL 1/	2.40	3.30	VA		
- FRESH	1.20	NA	WASH	3.60	3.70
- PROCESSING	3.40	NA	WIS	2.70	2.90
MAINE	2.70	2.60			
MICH	4.55	4.60	U S - ALL 1/	3.30	3.51
MINN	3.10	3.20	- FRESH	2.61	NA
N J			- PROCESSING	3.79	NA

1/ AVERAGE PRICE OF POTATOES SOLD FOR ALL USES, INCLUDING FRESH MARKET, PROCESSING, SEED AND LIVESTOCK FEED.

CORN AND SORGHUM GRAIN: 5-MONTH AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS,
UNITED STATES, OCTOBER 1985 - FEBRUARY 1986

MONTH AND YEAR	CORN		SORGHUM	
	AVERAGE PRICE	PERCENT OF TOTAL 1/	AVERAGE PRICE	PERCENT OF TOTAL 1/
	DOLS PER BU	PERCENT	DOLS PER CWT	PERCENT
OCT 1985	*2.11	22.0	3.30	24.6
NOV 1985	*2.21	26.7	3.47	33.0
DEC 1985	2.29	21.7	3.76	24.7
JAN 1986	2.33	21.6	*3.68	13.3
FEB 1986	2.32	8.0	3.55	4.4
5-MONTH 2/	2.24	100.0	3/3.53	100.0

1/ MONTHLY PERCENTS BASED ON REPORTED QUANTITIES SOLD AS PERCENT OF TOTAL.
2/ WEIGHTED USING PERCENT OF TOTAL. 3/ \$1.98 PER BUSHEL. * REVISED.

CITRUS FRUIT: PRICES AND EQUIVALENT RETURNS,
BY UTILIZATION, BY STATES, MARCH 1986

COMMODITY AND STATE	EQUIVALENT RETURNS							
	F.O.B.	PACKINGHOUSE-DOOR			ON-TREE			
	PACKED	FRESH	ALL	FRESH	PROCESS	ALL	FRESH	PROCESS
DOLLARS PER BOX 1/								
GRAPEFRUIT:								
ARIZ	: 11.10	4.03	6.36	.86	2.55	4.88	-.62	
CALIF	: 13.90	7.75	9.17	.86	6.26	7.69	-.63	
DESERT VALLEYS	: 13.90	7.78	9.16	.86	6.30	7.68	-.62	
OTHER AREAS	: 14.20	7.10	9.46	.82	5.54	7.90	-.74	
FLA	: 11.50	5.48	6.65	4.97	3.85	5.05	3.33	
WHITE SEEDLESS	: 10.10	5.05	5.30	5.00	3.41	3.70	3.35	
PINK SEEDLESS	: 12.40	6.64	7.60	4.60	5.02	6.00	2.95	
OTHER 2/	: :	5.25		5.25	3.65		3.65	
CALIF-ARIZ	: :							
DESERT VALLEYS	: :				5.20	7.06	-.62	
U S	: 11.60	5.52	6.80	4.92	3.90	5.21	3.28	
LEMONS:								
ARIZ	: 13.80	4.34	6.32	1.10	1.62	3.60	-1.62	
CALIF	: 17.40	6.76	10.00	1.72	4.04	7.28	-1.00	
U S	: 17.30	6.67	9.86	1.70	3.95	7.14	-1.02	
LIMES:								
FLA	: 80.00	63.81	72.40	2.25	58.72	67.20	-2.05	
ORANGES:								
ARIZ	: 13.60	5.48	8.20	.60	3.73	6.47	-1.19	
NAVELS AND MISC	: 12.80	6.31	7.20	.28	4.65	5.54	-1.38	
VALENCIAS	: 14.20	5.08	9.00	.64	3.28	7.20	-1.16	
CALIF	: 13.00	6.03	7.46	.31	4.36	5.79	-1.36	
NAVELS	: 13.30	6.18	7.70	.28	4.52	6.04	-1.38	
VALENCIAS	: 10.70	4.71	5.50	.64	2.91	3.70	-1.16	
FLA	: 10.50	5.09	5.70	5.00	3.09	3.70	3.00	
EARLY AND MIDS	: 10.50	5.01	5.70	5.00	3.01	3.70	3.00	
VALENCIAS	: 10.50	5.14	5.70	5.00	3.14	3.70	3.00	
CALIF-ARIZ	: :							
NAVELS AND MISC	: :				4.52	6.04	-1.38	
VALENCIAS	: :				2.94	3.91	-1.16	
U S	: 12.60	5.53	7.20	4.18	3.69	5.48	2.24	
TANGERINES:								
ARIZ	: 21.60	9.23	14.32	.44	6.19	11.28	-2.60	
CALIF	: 18.00	9.94	13.00	.39	7.44	10.50	-2.11	
U S	: 20.00	9.51	13.74	.42	6.69	10.94	-2.45	
TEMPLES:								
FLA	: 13.00	4.62	8.20	4.00	2.34	6.00	1.70	

1/ APPROXIMATE NET CONTENTS PER BOX ARE AS FOLLOWS: GRAPEFRUIT - ARIZ AND CALIF DESERT VALLEY, 64 LBS; OTHER CALIF AREAS, 67 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/ OTHER THAN SEEDLESS.

CATTLE: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	COWS 1/		STEERS & 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	36.10	34.60	52.30	51.00	46.30	44.90	58.50	58.40
ARIZ	35.90	35.70	55.80	54.50	51.40	50.40	60.70	58.60
ARK	36.40	34.80	56.60	55.40	46.70	45.30	62.00	59.90
CALIF	36.40	36.00	56.10	55.50	47.80	47.30	53.20	57.50
COLO	43.30	42.50	57.20	56.00	55.90	55.30	67.00	66.50
FLA	37.00	36.00	50.60	54.00	39.20	42.30	60.60	64.00
GA	36.30	35.70	50.10	46.80	42.70	41.00	55.90	54.00
IDAHO	34.50	36.60	52.70	52.00	49.10	49.20	58.10	60.80
ILL	36.00	35.30	56.70	56.90	55.20	55.40	81.70	78.20
IND	35.80	36.60	52.50	50.60	46.40	45.40	53.80	57.30
IOWA	36.20	36.70	55.90	55.30	51.90	51.60	61.10	60.50
KANS	37.70	38.70	58.20	56.20	57.10	55.30	65.10	67.10
KY	34.90	34.50	52.90	52.60	45.70	45.40	58.80	60.30
LA	37.60	35.80	53.50	51.40	42.20	39.90	60.10	57.80
MICH	35.90	35.50	51.40	50.50	45.00	44.40	56.90	59.00
MINN	35.50	36.10	52.70	52.10	47.90	48.40	56.90	55.90
MISS	36.90	35.40	53.70	51.00	42.10	40.20	62.70	61.40
MO	38.80	39.00	56.80	55.50	50.30	50.20	62.60	60.50
MONT	38.50	38.20	58.00	58.80	49.60	51.60	59.90	61.00
NEBR	38.00	38.30	56.70	55.40	55.90	54.70	66.40	66.60
N MEX	36.40	37.30	57.20	58.30	50.30	52.00	64.80	65.10
N Y	34.20	33.50	40.80	41.50	34.60	34.10	60.10	62.00
N DAK	36.10	36.70	57.40	57.30	53.40	54.20	60.30	61.10
OHIO	35.50	36.00	52.70	51.50	48.50	47.60	57.60	63.00
OKLA	37.70	40.00	57.50	56.00	51.50	51.20	63.50	59.00
OREG	34.30	35.00	53.40	54.50	45.80	46.70	57.10	58.20
PA	35.50	35.30	52.20	50.30	44.70	43.60	71.00	66.60
S DAK	37.60	37.00	57.00	55.30	53.50	52.00	64.00	61.90
TENN	35.40	33.80	53.00	50.80	43.30	41.50	59.30	58.60
TEX	38.40	38.20	56.90	54.50	54.70	52.50	60.50	60.30
UTAH	34.30	35.30	53.90	53.60	51.90	51.80	65.20	66.40
VA	34.30	33.60	51.70	49.30	44.20	44.60	59.70	60.20
WASH	35.00	33.90	54.20	53.20	52.20	51.30	53.60	54.20
WIS	36.00	35.70	50.30	49.30	42.30	41.70	89.00	90.50
WYO	40.80	41.30	59.70	58.80	50.50	50.40	65.60	65.90
U S	36.80	36.70	56.40	55.00	53.00	51.80	62.80	62.60

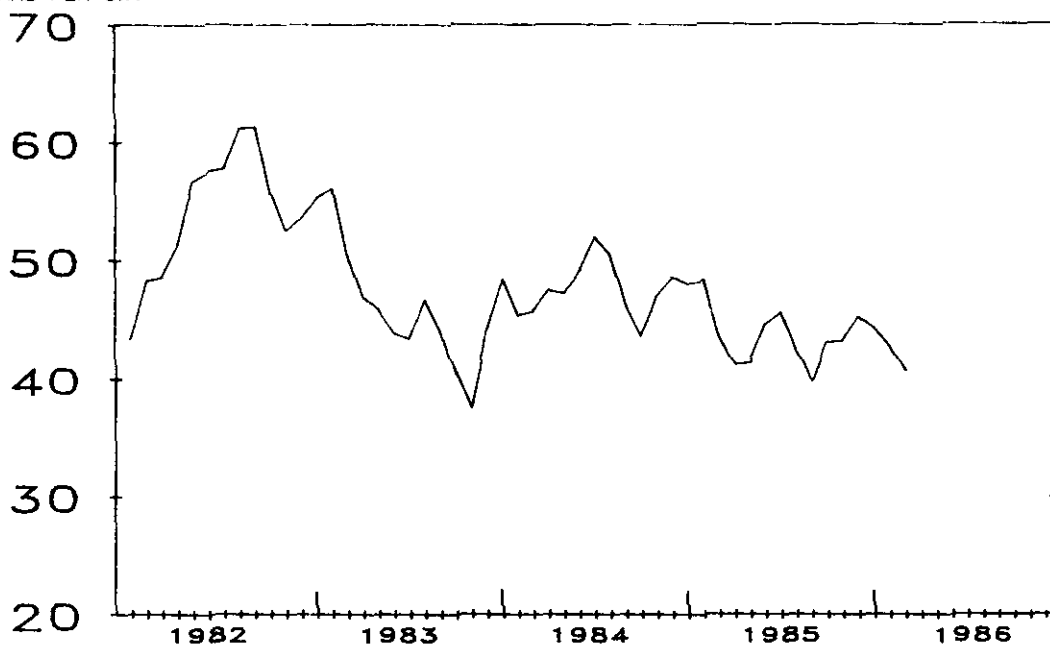
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HOGS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	SOWS		BARROWS AND GILTS		ALL HOGS	
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/
	DOLLARS PER CWT					
ALA	36.20	36.20	42.70	40.60	41.90	40.10
GA	34.20	33.10	44.30	41.70	43.90	41.30
ILL	38.10	39.40	43.30	41.00	42.60	40.80
IND	36.10	37.30	42.90	41.10	42.40	40.80
IOWA	38.20	39.00	43.20	41.00	42.80	40.80
KANS	36.80	36.70	43.00	41.20	42.00	40.50
KY	37.60	37.80	43.70	41.20	43.40	41.00
MICH	33.90	33.50	42.90	41.00	42.20	40.40
MINN	37.20	36.20	43.00	40.70	42.70	40.50
MO	38.40	37.50	43.20	40.00	42.50	39.70
NEBR	38.30	39.20	43.80	41.50	43.20	41.20
N C	35.30	35.50	43.80	42.20	43.30	41.80
OHIO	37.80	39.00	43.30	43.00	43.10	42.80
PA	34.90	35.10	44.70	43.10	44.00	42.50
S C	36.00	35.60	43.80	42.40	42.80	41.50
S DAK	36.70	36.30	43.60	40.30	42.80	39.80
TENN	39.00	36.50	42.80	39.30	42.00	38.70
TEX	35.80	34.40	44.60	40.00	43.80	39.50
VA	34.60	36.10	44.10	40.40	42.80	39.80
WIS	37.20	36.70	42.70	40.80	42.00	40.30
U S	37.50	37.70	43.30	41.10	42.80	40.70

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH.

Prices Received by Farmers for Hogs, US
DOLLARS PER CWT



SHEEP, WOOL, AND POULTRY: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES,
FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	SHEEP		LAMBS		WOOL 1/3/	MARCH		
	FEB 1/	MAR 2/	FEB 1/	MAR 2/		TURKEYS 2/	BROILERS 1/4/	EGGS 2/5/
	DOLLARS PER CWT				DOLLARS PER POUND		DOL/DOZ	
ALA							.280	.614
ARIZ	24.80	25.60	65.00	66.60	.63			
ARK						.35	.310	.560
CALIF	24.70	25.00	65.00	65.50	.63	.40	.350	.590
COLO	23.90	23.00	66.30	65.00	.60			
CONN								.910
DEL							.345	
FLA							.280	.530
GA							.280	.581
IDAHO	20.20	21.40	62.60	62.00	.60			
ILL								.705
IND								.720
IOWA	29.90	27.90	69.10	66.10	.39	.37		.557
KANS	21.00	23.00	64.50	68.10	.68			
LA							.305	
MAINE							.290	.800
MD							.345	
MICH								.500
MINN	25.80	24.50	69.80	63.70	.41	.37		.530
MISS							.305	.577
MO						.35		.539
MONT	22.50	23.60	69.60	65.50	.70			
NEBR	28.30	23.00	66.60	66.00	.53			
N MEX	34.70	37.50	63.50	57.80	.80			
N Y								.720
N C						.37	.280	.603
OHIO	37.90	39.00	69.20	69.00	.40			.600
OKLA							.310	
OREG	19.40	19.00	61.20	60.60	.55			
PA							.300	.620
S C							.285	.579
S DAK	25.50	21.90	67.90	64.90	.59			
TENN							.265	.703
TEX	28.30	29.90	69.60	71.10	.80	.35	.320	.680
UTAH	28.30	28.80	66.30	63.00	.80			
VA						.38	.310	.532
WASH								.608
WIS						.32		.610
WYO	21.90	22.50	69.00	67.30	.67			
U S	26.10	26.20	67.00	66.80	.617	.369	.302	.617

1/ ENTIRE MONTH. 2/ MID-MONTH. 3/ INCENTIVE PAYMENT NOT INCLUDED.
4/ LIVELINEWEIGHT EQUIVALENT PRICE EXCEPT FOR ARK, CALIF, LA, OKLA, PA, AND TEX.
5/ MARKET (TABLE) EGGS. INCLUDES EGGS SOLD RETAIL BY THE PRODUCER.

MILK AND MILK COWS: PRICES RECEIVED, BY STATES, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986

STATE	FEBRUARY				MARCH				
	FLUID GRADE MILK 1/	MANUFACTURING GRADE MILK	ALL MILK 2/	ALL MILK 2/3/	ALL MILK 2/3/	ALL MILK 2/3/	ALL MILK 2/3/	MILK COWS 4/	
	PRICE:FAT TEST:	PRICE:FAT TEST:	PRICE:FAT TEST:	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	13.80	3.72	10.50	3.68	13.80	3.72	13.50	3.65	
ARK	13.80	3.65	11.00	3.72	13.70	3.65	13.60	3.60	
CALIF	11.90	3.70	10.90	3.79	11.87	3.70	11.60	3.64	
COLO	13.80	3.76			13.80	3.76	13.80	3.70	
FLA	15.80	3.62			15.80	3.62	15.60	3.57	
GA	13.70	3.75			13.70	3.75	13.60	3.65	
IDAHO	12.50	3.87	11.53	3.80	12.10	3.84	11.70	3.68	
ILL	12.30	3.78	11.80	3.77	12.20	3.78	12.10	3.75	
IND	12.70	3.84	11.20	3.95	12.60	3.85	12.50	3.82	
IOWA	12.10	3.77	11.40	3.75	11.90	3.76	11.80	3.70	
KANS	13.10	3.77	11.50	3.80	12.80	3.78	12.60	3.68	
KY	12.80	3.83	10.90	3.78	12.60	3.82	12.40	3.75	
LA	13.40	3.58			13.40	3.58	13.00	3.43	
MD	12.80	3.78			12.80	3.78	12.70	3.73	
MICH	12.60	3.78	11.40	3.85	12.60	3.78	12.50	3.73	
MINN	11.90	3.70	11.20	3.69	11.67	3.70	11.60	3.68	
MISS	13.50	3.70	10.80	3.69	13.40	3.70	13.10	3.58	
MO	12.50	3.76	11.20	3.77	12.30	3.76	12.00	3.65	
NEBR	12.80	3.80	11.40	3.84	12.30	3.81	12.10	3.74	
N Y	12.40	3.73			12.40	3.73	12.00	3.71	
N C	13.80	3.82	11.70	3.90	13.70	3.82	13.70	3.76	
N DAK	11.50	3.68	10.50	3.70	11.00	3.69	10.90	3.66	
OHIO	12.70	3.83	12.10	3.87	12.60	3.83	12.50	3.79	
OKLA	12.60	3.75	10.90	3.71	12.50	3.75	12.40	3.65	
OREG	12.40	3.83	12.60	4.05	12.40	3.85	12.20	3.81	
PA	12.90	3.81	11.80	3.86	12.90	3.81	12.80	3.75	
TENN	13.20	3.87	11.10	3.75	13.00	3.86	12.80	3.74	
TEX	13.50	3.74			13.50	3.74	13.20	3.59	
UTAH	11.90	3.65	11.30	3.68	11.80	3.66	11.50	3.58	
VT	12.80	3.76			12.80	3.76	12.50	3.76	
VA	13.00	3.78	11.30	3.80	12.90	3.78	12.90	3.72	
WASH	12.00	3.75			12.00	3.75	11.90	3.72	
WIS	12.10	3.77	11.71	3.81	12.00	3.78	12.00	3.77	
U S	12.50	3.76	11.40	3.77	12.40	3.76	12.20	3.71	

1/ INCLUDING SURPLUS DIVERTED TO MANUFACTURING. 2/ BEFORE DEDUCTIONS FOR HAULING, CO-OP FEES, AND GOVERNMENT WITHHOLDING. INCLUDES BULK-TANK, QUANTITY, AND OTHER PREMIUMS. EXCLUDES 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, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1986, WITH COMPARISONS

ITEM	MAR 1985	FEB 1986	MAR 1986
PARITY EQUIVALENT.....DOL PER CWT	21.53	21.64	21.64
AVERAGE PRICE F.O.B.....DOL PER CWT	12.30	11.40	2/11.30
AVERAGE FAT TEST OF MILK...PERCENT	3.72	3.77	2/3.73

1/ THE PARITY PRICE EQUIVALENT DURING 1986 IS 92.1 PERCENT OF THE PARITY PRICE OF ALL MILK SOLD TO PLANTS, WHICH COMPARES WITH 91.6 PERCENT IN 1985. FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS, SEE JANUARY 1986 ISSUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRICES. 2/ PRELIMINARY.

WOOL: PRICES RECEIVED, MONTHLY AND ANNUAL AVERAGE, BY STATES, 1985 1/

STATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANN AVE
DOLLARS PER POUND													
ALAS													1.15
ARIZ	.75	.75	.61	.36	.40	.41	.63	.45	.48	.66	.67	.64	.51
CALIF	.75	.41	.68	.66	.64	.58	.59	.63	.62	.54	.58	.62	.63
COLO	.59	.66	.60	.63	.62	.67	.62	.64	.55	.64	.63	.54	.62
CONN													.59
IDAHO	.50		.69	.74	.64	.60	.63	.65	.52	.60	.61	.58	.64
ILL													.43
IND													.41
IOWA	.50	.47	.41	.40	.43	.38	.44	.41	.41	.42	.41	.43	.42
KANS	.50	.64	.49	.54	.50	.46	.46	.48	.46	.39	.43	.48	.49
KY													.45
LA													.50
MAINE													.69
MD													.57
MASS													.62
MICH													.44
MINN	.50	.50	.46	.42	.46	.39	.39	.40	.42	.45	.38	.46	.44
MO													.43
MONT		.70	.64	.64	.68	.66	.67	.69	.67	.70	.57	.69	.67
NEBR	.47	.46	.49	.48	.56	.46	.47	.44	.48	.44	.51	.49	.49
NEV													.62
N H													.64
N J													.54
N MEX	.91	.69	.80	.73	.74	.66	.58	.83	.56	.73	.47	.66	.72
N Y													.52
N C													.51
N DAK													.55
OHIO	.48	.47	.43	.40	.44	.47	.44	.41	.42	.45	.43	.46	.45
OKLA													.50
OREG	.51	.59	.76	.59	.47	.53	.56	.54	.51	.59	.48	.51	.55
PA													.50
S DAK	.53	.53	.55	.59	.70	.56	.56	.61	.55	.70	.47	.56	.60
TENN													.52
TEX	.68	.71	.81	.92	.85	.89	.81	.68	.68	.72	.69	.65	.82
UTAH	.59	.60	.59	.61	.62	.61	.62	.57	.59	.53	.61	.59	.61
VT													.66
VA													.57
WASH													.52
W VA													.58
WIS													.43
WYO	.68	.64	.62	.69	.67	.69	.66	.64	.59	.67	.62	.60	.66
U S	.592	.587	.610	.679	.685	.698	.640	.602	.595	.666	.585	.568	.633

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

MOHAIR: PRICES RECEIVED, ANNUAL AVERAGE, TEXAS, 1985

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