

Agricultural Prices



United States
Department of
Agriculture

Washington, D.C.

Released October 31, 1995, by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Agricultural Statistics Board, U.S. Department of Agriculture. For information on "Agricultural Prices" call (202) 720-5446, office hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET. For assistance with general agricultural statistics, information about NASS, its products or services, contact the NASS Information Hotline at 1-800-727-9540 or E-mail: NASS@AG.GOV.

October Prices Received Index Up 1 Point

The All Farm Products Index of Prices Received in October was 105 based on 1990-92=100, up 1 point (1.0 percent) from September. Price gains from September for corn, milk, wheat, and soybeans more than offset price declines for lettuce, broilers, hogs, and peanuts. The seasonal changes in the mix of commodities farmers sell also can affect the overall index level, but these changes were essentially offsetting in October. Higher relative seasonal marketings of soybeans, corn, cotton, and sorghum offset the effect of relatively lower seasonal marketings of wheat, milk, tobacco, and hogs.

Compared with October 1994, the All Farm Products Index was 10 points (11 percent) higher. Higher prices for corn, soybeans, hogs, and wheat compared with October 1994 levels more than offset lower prices for cattle, lettuce, calves, and dry beans.

Prices Paid Index Up 1 Point

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for October was 109 percent of its 1990-92 average. The index was up 1 point (0.9 percent) from July and 3 points (2.8 percent) from October last year. Price increases since July for feed, fuel, and trucks more than offset lower prices for fertilizer and livestock purchases.

Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92=100	1994		1995	
	Sep	Oct	Sep	Oct
Prices Received	97	95	104	105
Prices Paid	<u>2</u> /106	106	<u>3</u> /108	109
Ratio <u>1</u> /	92	90	96	96

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

2/ July 1994 prices paid index brought forward.

3/ July 1995 prices paid index brought forward.

Prices Received by Farmers

The October All Farm Products Index was 105 percent of its 1990-92 base, up 1.0 percent from September and 11 percent above October 1994.

All Crops: The October index was 114, up 0.9 percent from September and 15 percent above October 1994.

Feed Grains & Hay: The October index was 127, up 9.5 percent from the previous month and 38 percent from October 1994. Prices were higher for all feed grains and hay. The October corn price averaged \$2.95 per bushel, the highest since August 1984. Forecasted lower U.S. corn production and good export demand were the primary market forces at work during the first half of October.

Food Grains: The index, at 153, was up 3.4 percent from September and 26 percent from one year ago. Rice prices averaged \$8.38 per cwt and wheat prices averaged \$4.71 per bushel, up 46 and 19 cents, respectively, from September. The October wheat price was the highest since November 1974. Forecasted U.S. ending stocks at their lowest level since 1973/74 and continued strong export demand were driving prices higher.

Oil-Bearing Crops: The index was 108, up 2.9 percent from September and 14 percent from one year ago. Prices were higher for soybeans, unchanged for sunflowers, and lower for cottonseed and peanuts. Soybean prices averaged \$6.17 per bushel, up 18 cents from the previous month. Forecasted lower U.S. and Brazilian soybean production and smaller carryin stocks in both countries fueled the price increase.

Commercial Vegetables: The commercial vegetables index in October was 103, down 10 percent from September and 11 percent below a year ago. Lower October prices for lettuce more than offset higher tomato prices to move the index lower. Lettuce prices continue to be volatile as seasonal marketings fill voids caused by spring flooding in California. Onion prices were slightly higher and celery prices lower, on stable volume. Other vegetable crops followed seasonal patterns.

Fruit & Nuts: The October index, at 110, decreased 0.9 percent from September 1995, but increased 12 percent from October 1994. Seasonally lower prices for apples, grapefruit, lemons, and oranges more than offset price increases for grapes and strawberries. A small volume of old crop Valencia oranges was being traded in California as the new crop harvest was just beginning.

Livestock & Products: The October index, at 92, was 1.1 percent below September but 3.4 percent above a year earlier.

Meat Animals: The October meat animals index, at 83, was down 2.4 percent from September but up 1.2 percent from last October. Beef cattle prices declined 30 cents per cwt from September and \$4.10 from October 1994 to \$58.80, the lowest monthly price since February 1987. Beef cattle prices were driven downward by the lowest monthly cow price since February 1978, at \$32.80. October hog prices, at \$46.70 per cwt, declined \$1.60 from a month earlier, but were \$14.90 above the previous year. Heavy cattle and hog slaughter dampened prices.

Dairy Products: The October dairy products index, at 101, was up 3.1 percent from September and 1.0 percent from last year. The all milk price increased 40 cents to \$13.20 per cwt., reflecting a steady cheese market and lower than anticipated milk production. Both fluid and manufacturing milk prices increased 40 cents from September.

Index Numbers of Prices Received by Farmers, United States, October 1995,
with Comparisons

Index	1910-14=100				1990-92=100 1/			
	1994		1995		1994		1995	
	Average:							
	1990-92:	Oct	Sep	Oct	Oct	Sep	Oct	
All Farm Products	639	604	*659	664	95	*104	105	
All Crops	500	490	*560	564	99	*113	114	
Food Grains	325	384	*470	485	121	*148	153	
Feed Grains & Hay	363	330	*414	455	92	*116	127	
Cotton	517	563	*636	624	110	*124	122	
Tobacco	1263	1570	*1591	1578	104	105	104	
Oil-Bearing Crops	554	520	*573	589	95	*105	108	
Fruit & Nuts	716	688	775	765	98	111	110	
Commercial Vegetables	698	774	*769	689	116	*115	103	
Potatoes & Dry Beans	540	446	*497	481	88	*98	95	
Other Crops	493	517	525	525	105	106	106	
Livestock & Products	768	687	*717	705	89	93	92	
Meat Animals	1021	836	*865	845	82	85	83	
Dairy Products	799	799	*787	811	100	*98	101	
Poultry & Eggs	282	294	324	317	104	115	113	
Food Commodities					94	*101	100	

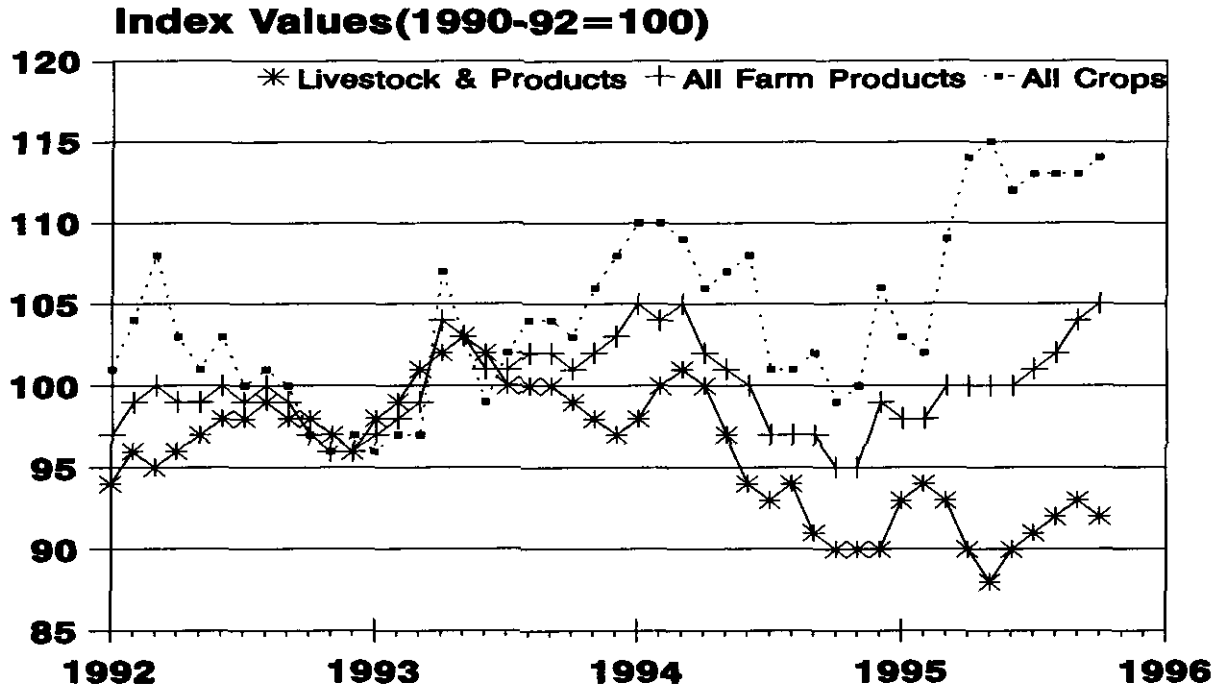
* Revised.

1/ 1990-92=100 reference replaced 1977=100 in January 1995.

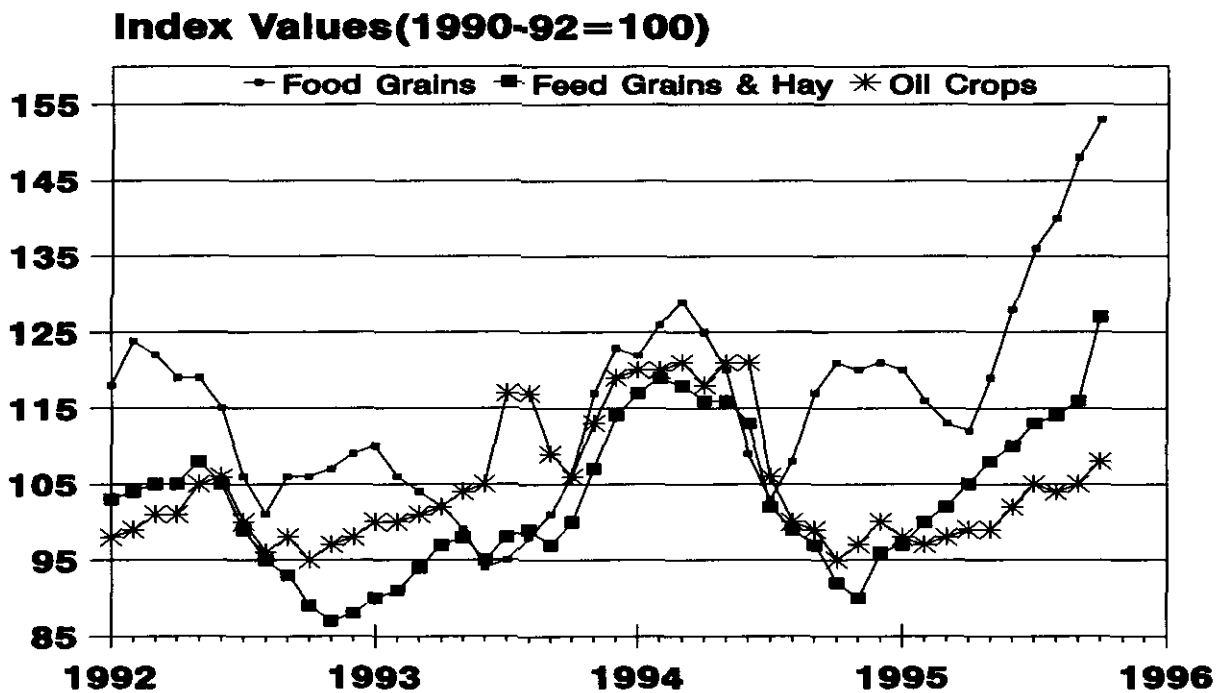
Selected Index Numbers for Prices Received and Paid by Farmers,
1990-92=100, by Months, United States, 1994 and 1995

Month	Index of Prices Received						Index of Prices Paid			
	All Farm Products		All Crops		Livestock and Products		All Items		Production Items	
	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995
Jan	105	98	110	103	98	93	106	108	106	106
Feb	104	98	111	102	100	94	106	108	106	106
Mar	105	100	110	109	101	93	106	108	106	106
Apr	102	100	106	114	100	90	107	108	108	107
May	101	100	107	115	97	88	107	108	108	107
Jun	100	100	108	112	94	90	107	108	108	107
Jul	97	101	102	113	92	91	106	108	105	107
Aug	97	102	101	113	94	92	106	108	105	107
Sep	97	104	102	113	91	93	106	108	105	107
Oct	95	105	99	114	89	92	106	109	105	108
Nov	95		100		90		106		105	
Dec	98		106		90		106		105	

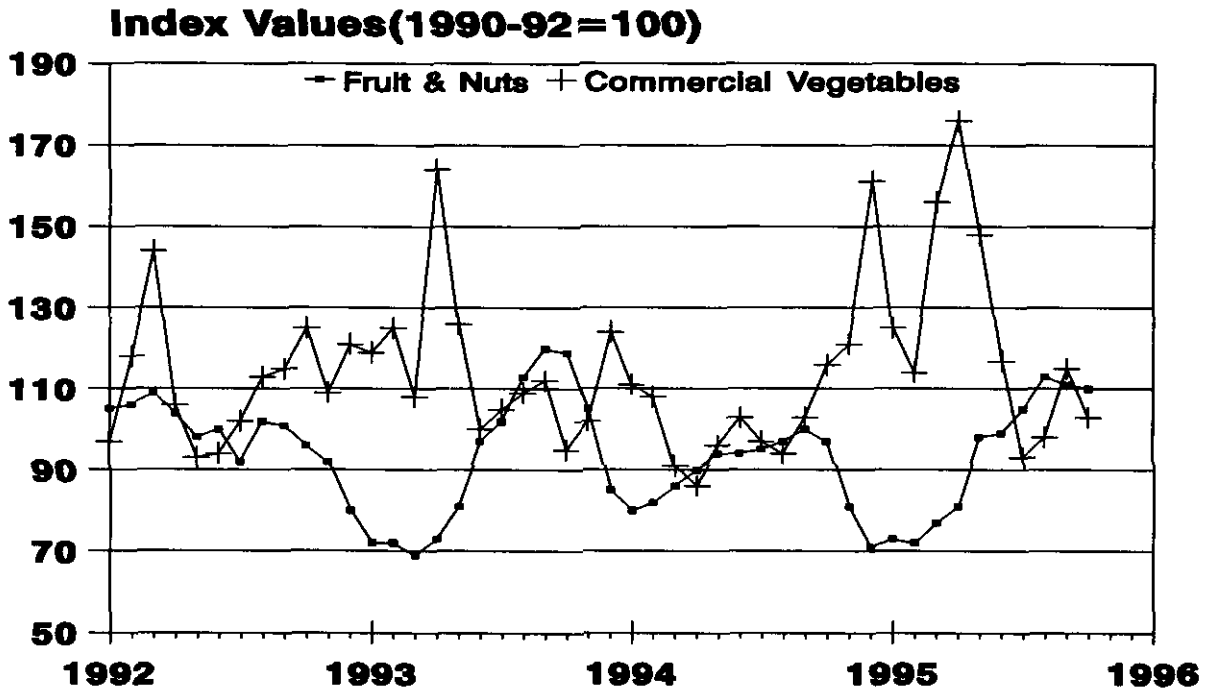
Prices Received, Major Indexes, US



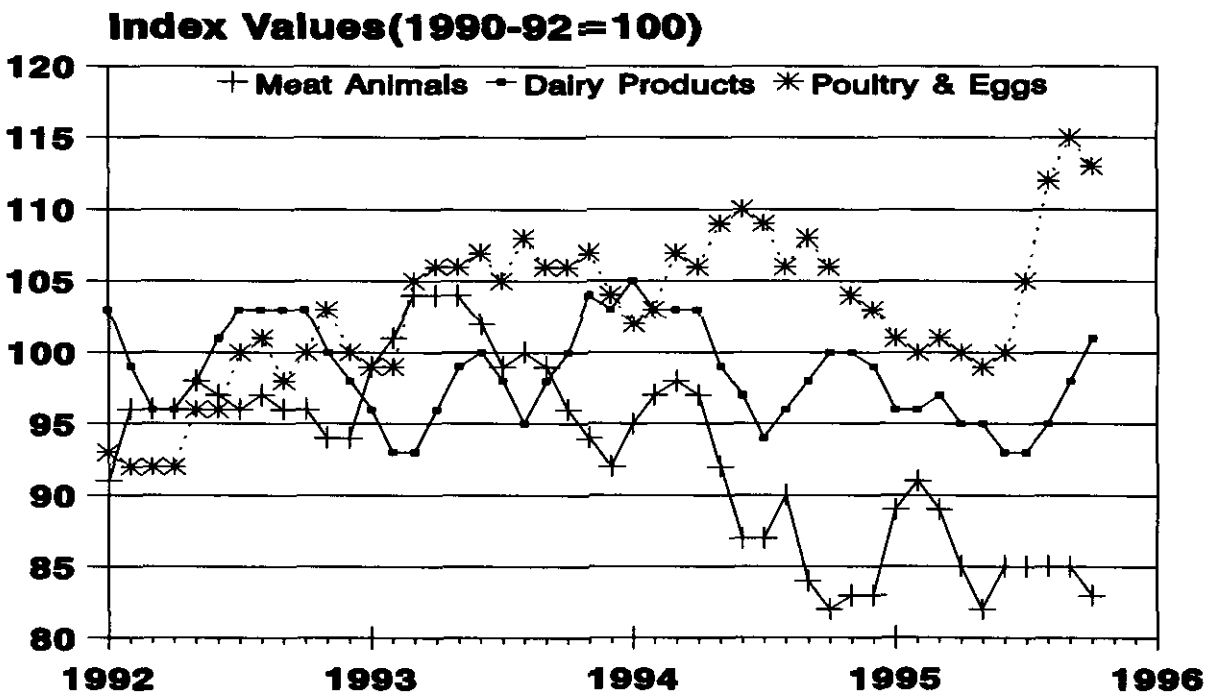
Prices Received, Food, Feed & Oil Indexes, US



Prices Received, Fruit/Vegetable Indexes, US



Prices Received, Livestock Product Indexes, US



Prices Received by Farmers, United States,
October 1995, with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			Oct 1994	Sep 1995	Oct 1995
Dollars					
Field Crops					
Barley, All	Bu	2.12	1.93	2.57	2.82
Feed	Bu	1.90	1.81	2.37	2.64
Malting	Bu	2.43	2.14	2.81	3.08
Beans, Dry Edible	Cwt	19.10	23.20	18.40	18.10
Corn	Bu	2.30	2.06	2.69	2.95
Cotton, Upland	Lb	.606	.662	.752	.738
Cottonseed	Ton	96.00	96.00	99.00	97.00
Flaxseed	Bu	4.27	4.49	5.11	5.20
Hay, All, Baled 1/	Ton	76.30	86.30	80.30	83.00
Alfalfa 1/	Ton	77.20	91.40	85.00	88.10
Other 1/	Ton	60.00	67.50	64.40	62.30
Oats	Bu	1.22	1.21	1.43	1.55
Peanuts, In-Shell	Lb	.304	.286	.297	.295
Potatoes	Cwt	5.82	4.58	5.75	5.54
Rice, Rough	Cwt	7.07	6.47	7.92	8.38
Sorghum Grain	Cwt	3.75	3.37	4.87	5.18
Soybeans	Bu	5.61	5.30	5.99	6.17
Sunflower 2/	Cwt	9.50	10.50	11.00	11.00
Tobacco	Lb	1.740	1.805	1.830	1.815
Wheat, All	Bu	2.96	3.76	4.52	4.71
Winter	Bu	2.93	3.79	4.47	4.70
Durum	Bu	2.86	4.89	5.87	5.69
Other Spring	Bu	3.11	3.52	4.26	4.48
Hard Red	Bu	2.95	3.60	4.42	
Soft Red	Bu	2.87	3.57	4.12	
White	Bu	3.24	4.02	4.40	
Fruit					
Citrus-Equiv on-tree					
Grapefruit	Box	5.77	4.46	10.05	4.92
Lemons	Box	10.10	9.74	16.77	13.63
Limes	Box	10.15	10.31	10.13	4.50
Oranges	Box	5.79	2.50	7.21	6.90
Tangelos	Box	5.82			
Tangerines	Box	15.11	8.26		7.53
Temples	Box	6.23			
Non-citrus					
Apples, Fresh 3/	Lb	.212	.192	.271	.261
Grapes, Fresh 3/	Ton	506.00		660.00	760.00
Peaches, Fresh 3/	Lb	.216		.329	
Pears, Fresh 3/	Ton	370.00	248.00	373.00	343.00
Strawberries, Fresh	Lb	.560	.824	.415	.440

1/ Mid-month price.

2/ KS, MN, ND and SD average.

3/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, NY (apples only), OR (pears only) and WA (apples, peaches, and pears). Prices as sold for other states.

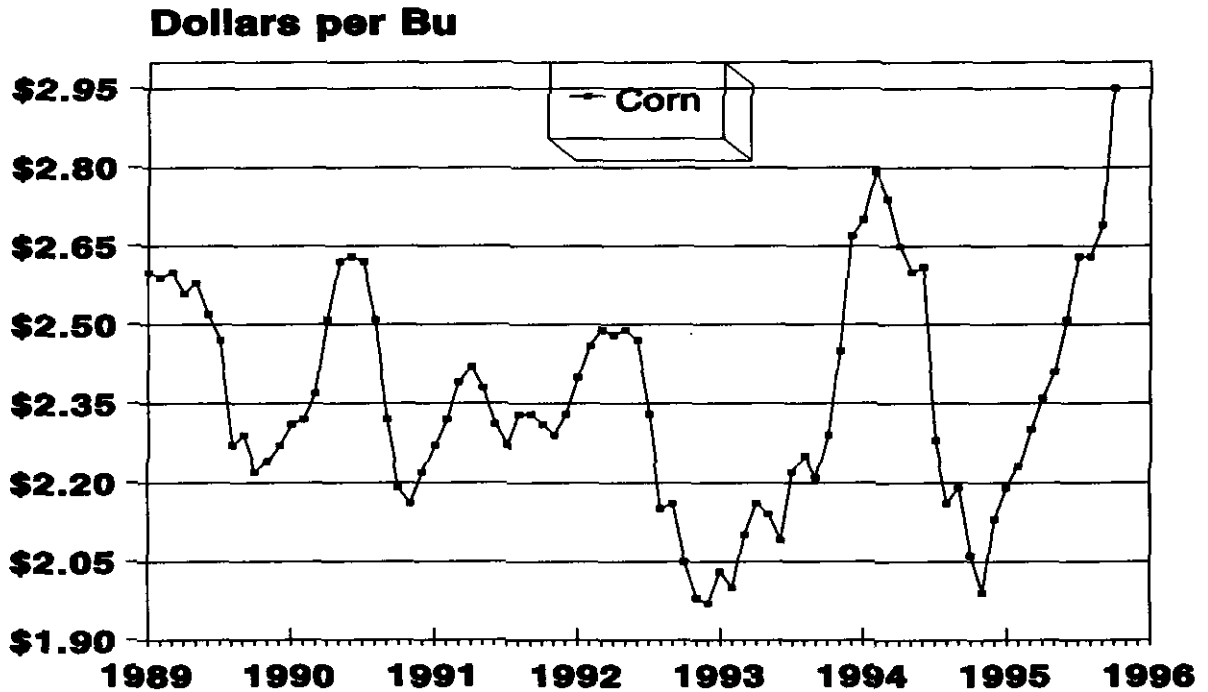
-- continued

Prices Received by Farmers, United States,
October 1995, with Comparisons (continued)

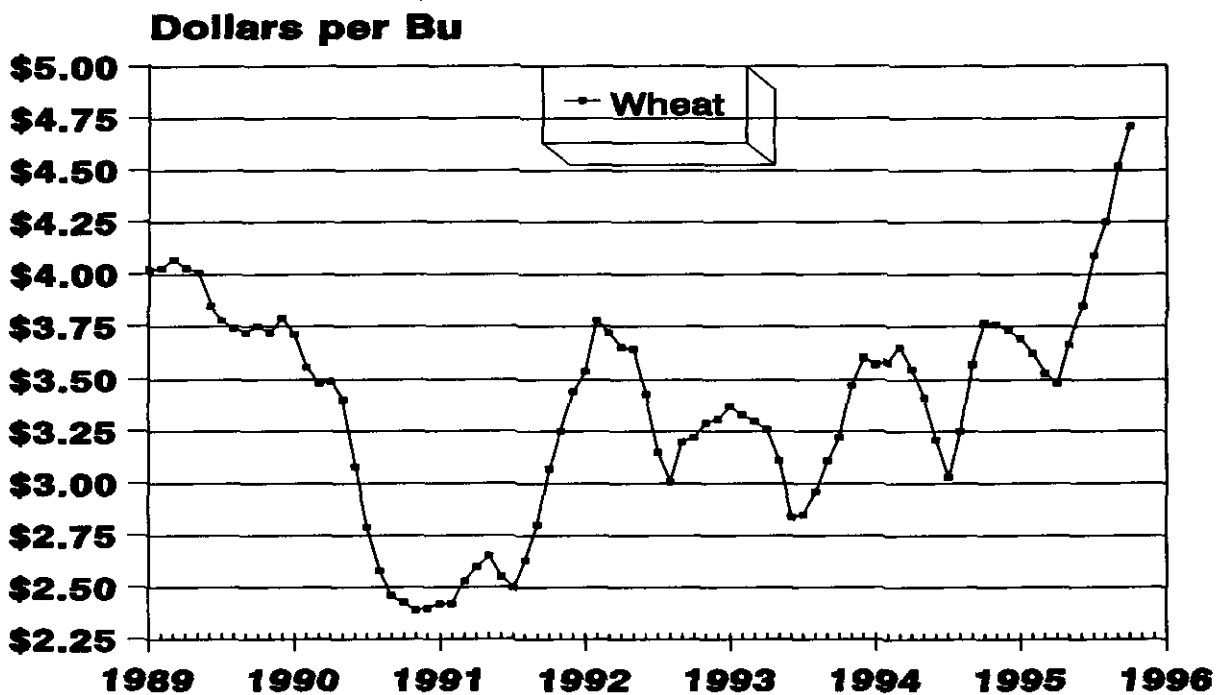
Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			Oct 1994	Sep 1995	Oct 1995
Dollars					
Vegetables, Fresh 1/					
Asparagus	Cwt	79.80	151.00		
Broccoli	Cwt	22.50	37.00	27.70	25.70
Cantaloupes	Cwt			16.60	18.80
Carrots	Cwt	13.20	15.50	15.10	14.90
Cauliflower	Cwt	26.80	31.30	25.40	21.90
Celery	Cwt	11.60	12.00	15.90	12.80
Corn, Sweet	Cwt	15.70	21.30	19.00	19.00
Cucumbers 2/	Cwt			14.80	11.70
Lettuce	Cwt	11.90	22.30	25.90	17.00
Onions	Cwt	12.80	10.40	10.00	10.60
Snap Beans 2/	Cwt			37.90	39.80
Tomatoes	Cwt	32.30	28.30	18.40	23.40
Livestock					
Calves	Cwt	94.30	78.20	68.50	66.70
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt	72.90	62.90	59.10	58.80
Cows	Cwt	49.60	38.40	34.10	32.80
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	77.10	66.10	62.00	61.90
Milk Cows 3/	Head	1130.00	1160.00		1090.00
Hogs, All	Cwt	47.70	31.80	48.30	46.70
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	48.40	32.30	49.10	47.30
Sows	Cwt	39.50	24.20	35.50	39.40
Lambs	Cwt	56.20	68.00	82.70	77.90
Sheep	Cwt	23.40	27.30	26.00	23.50
Dairy and Poultry					
Milk, All 4/	Cwt	13.06	13.00	12.80	5/13.20
Fluid Grade	Cwt	13.10	13.10	12.80	5/13.20
Mfg Grade	Cwt	11.80	12.20	12.00	5/12.40
Broilers, Live 6/	Lb	.317	.339	.381	.363
Eggs, All 7/	Doz	.643	.577	.666	.665
Market 7/8/	Doz	.546	.444	.549	.547
Turkeys, Live 6/7/	Lb	.380	.445	.437	.453
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation					
Eggs, All	Doz	.545	.577	.687	.665
Milk, All 4/	Cwt	9.71	12.50	12.55	12.82

- 1/ F.O.B. shipping point.
2/ Monthly estimates began January 1995.
3/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for Jan., Apr., Jul., and Oct.
4/ Before deductions for hauling and government withholding, but includes bulk tank, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.
5/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.70, fluid milk 3.70, mfg grade 3.86.
6/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers for most States.
7/ Mid-month price.
8/ Includes eggs sold retail by the producer.

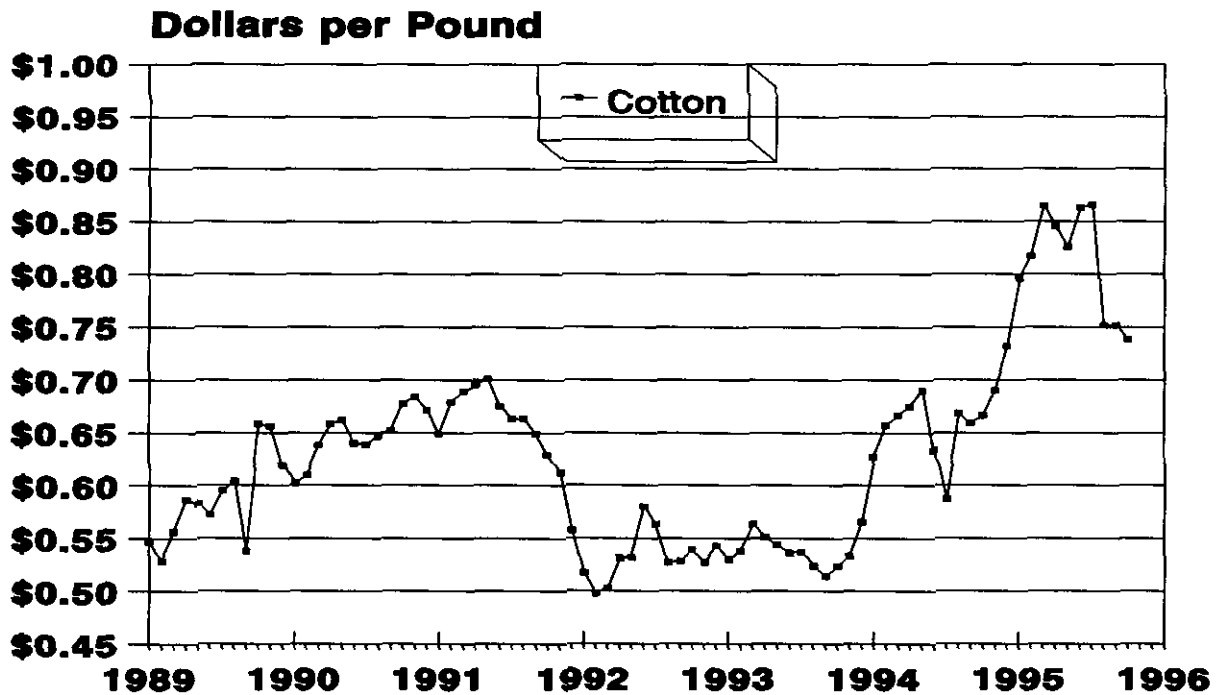
Prices Received by Farmers, Corn, US



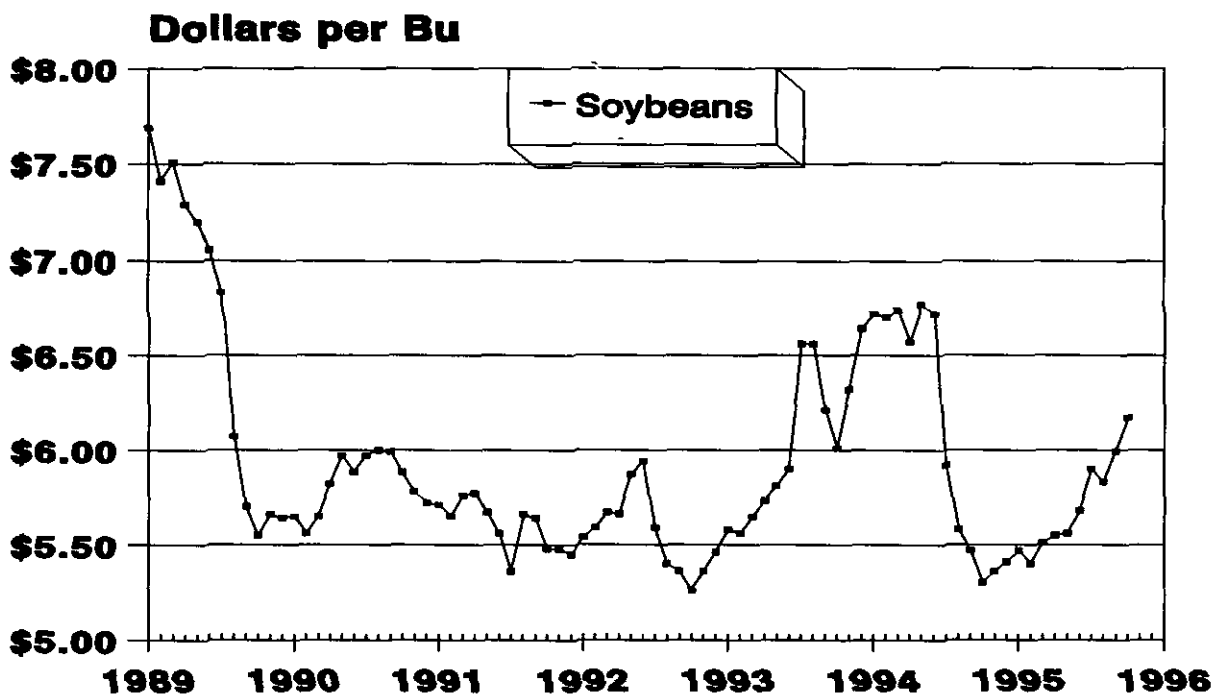
Prices Received by Farmers, Wheat, US



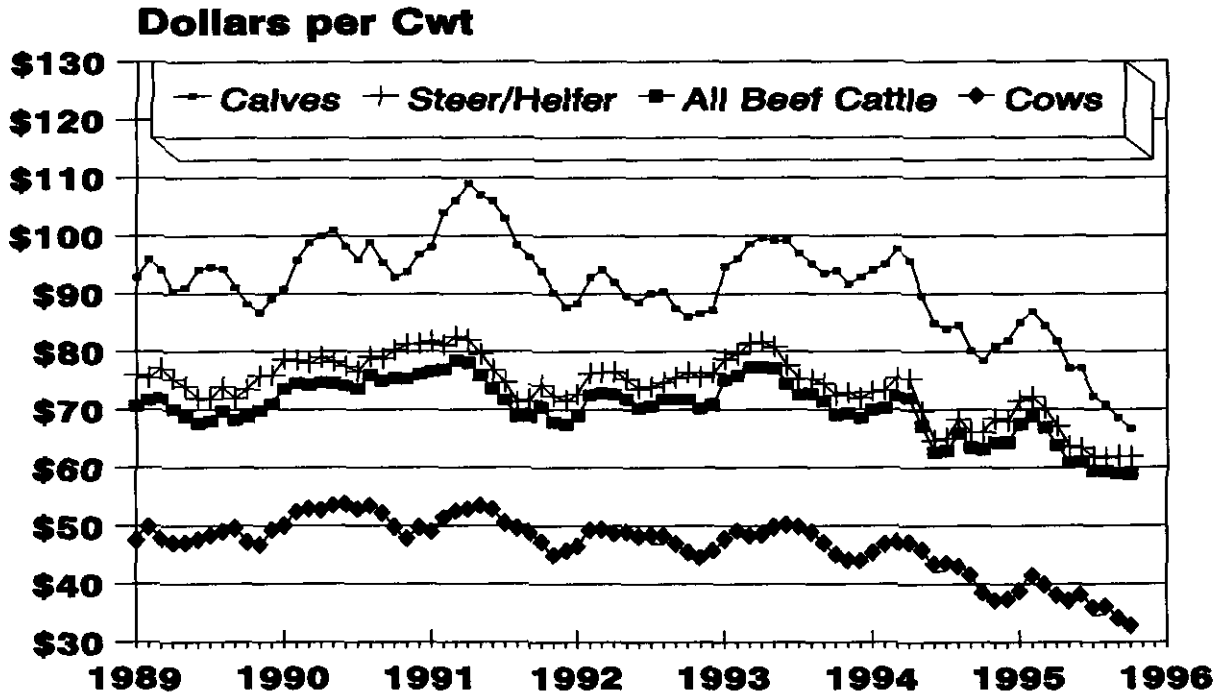
Prices Received by Farmers, Cotton, US



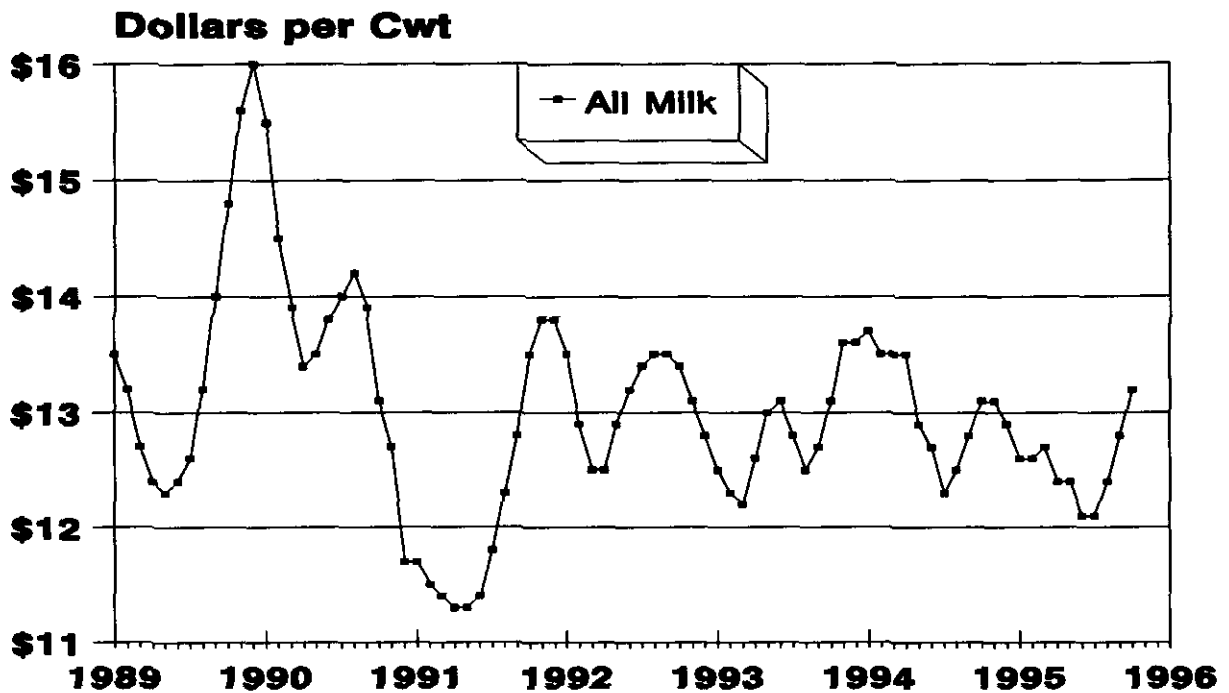
Prices Received by Farmers, Soybeans, US



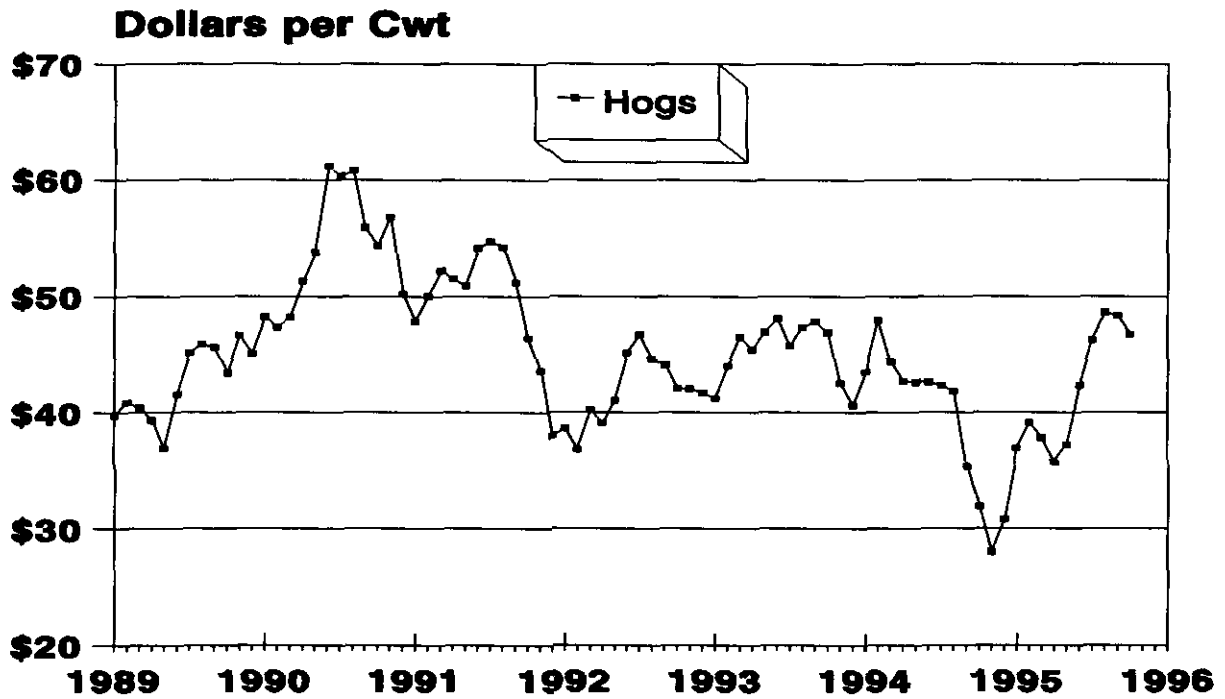
Prices Received by Farmers, Cattle, US



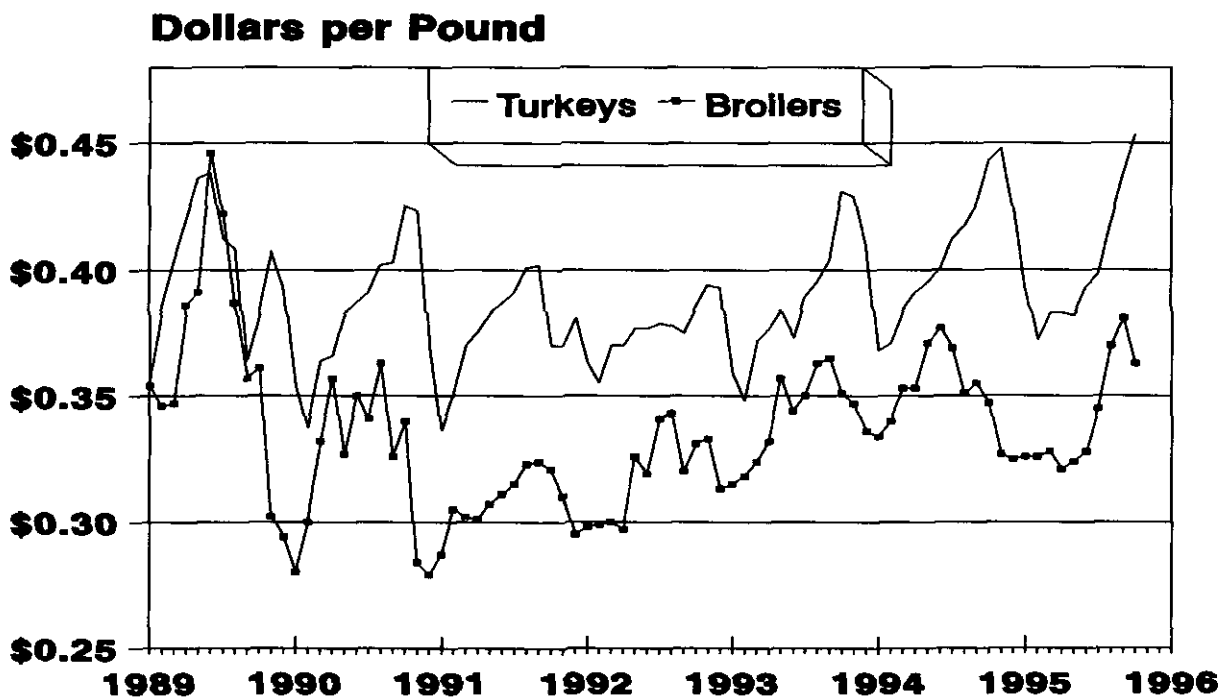
Prices Received by Farmers, Milk, US



Prices Received by Farmers, Hogs, US



Prices Received, Turkeys & Broilers, US



Wheat: Prices Received, by States, September and October 1995

State	All Wheat		Winter Wheat		Durum Wheat		Oth Spring Wheat	
	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/
	Dollars per Bushel							
AZ	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/		
AR	4.27	4.45	4.27	4.45				
CA	4.25	4.38	4.23	4.37	5.19	4.98		
CO	4.40	4.70	4.41	4.70			4.23	4.52
GA	4/	4/	4/	4/				
ID	4.09	4.54	4.13	4.60			4.03	4.46
IL	4.19	4.40	4.19	4.40				
IN	4.12	4.44	4.12	4.44				
KS	4.64	4.86	4.64	4.86				
MI	4.08	4.25	4.08	4.25				
MN	4.23	4.57	4.15	4.61	3/	3/	4.23	4.56
MO	3.92	4.25	3.92	4.25				
MT	4.19	4.54	4.25	4.60	5.07	5.25	4.14	4.50
NE	4.42	4.71	4.42	4.71				
ND	4.87	4.84	4.49	4.40	5.88	5.70	4.27	4.40
OH	4.09	4.20	4.09	4.20				
OK	4.55	4.76	4.55	4.76				
OR	4.52	4.72	4.52	4.72				
SD	4.38	4.60	4.24	4.46	5.14	4.74	4.48	4.70
TX	4.64	4.79	4.64	4.79				
WA	4.56	4.72	4.55	4.71			4.61	4.80
US	4.52	4.71	4.47	4.70	5.87	5.69	4.26	4.48

1/ Entire month.

2/ Mid-month.

3/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers.

4/ Sales volume insufficient to establish a price.

Prices Received for Selected Agricultural Commodities, by Months, United States, 1994 and 1995

Month	All Wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef Cattle 1/		All Hogs	
	1994	1995 2/	1994	1995 2/	1994	1995 2/	1994	1995 2/	1994	1995 2/
	Dollars per Bushel						Dollars per Cwt			
Jan	3.58	3.69	2.70	2.19	6.72	5.47	69.90	67.50	43.50	36.90
Feb	3.60	3.61	2.79	2.23	6.71	5.40	70.10	68.70	47.90	39.10
Mar	3.70	3.52	2.74	2.30	6.73	5.51	72.30	66.90	44.40	37.80
Apr	3.56	3.49	2.65	2.36	6.57	5.55	72.00	63.80	42.70	35.70
May	3.43	3.66	2.60	2.42	6.77	5.56	67.20	60.80	42.70	37.20
Jun	3.21	3.85	2.61	2.51	6.72	5.68	62.70	60.90	42.70	42.30
Jul	3.04	4.09	2.29	2.63	5.92	5.90	62.90	59.50	42.20	46.20
Aug	3.25	4.25	2.16	2.63	5.58	5.83	65.90	59.40	41.80	48.60
Sep	3.57	4.52	2.19	2.69	5.47	5.99	63.50	59.10	35.40	48.30
Oct	3.76	4.71	2.06	2.95	5.30	6.17	62.90	58.80	31.80	46.70
Nov	3.75		1.99		5.36		64.40		28.00	
Dec	3.74		2.13		5.41		64.40		30.80	

1/ Cows, steers and heifers.

2/ Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months are for the entire month.

Grains: Prices Received, by States, September and October 1995

State	Barley 1/		Corn		Oats		Soybeans		Sorghum Grain	
	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/
Dollars per Bushel						Dollars per Cwt				
AL										
AR										
CA										
CO	2.96	3.30			2.08	2.16	6.34	6.51	4.99	5.50
GA	2.73	2.90	3.02	3.16					5.48	5.17
ID	2.81	3.03	3.04	3.22			5.86	6.36		
IL			2.71	2.95	1.59	1.60	6.08	6.25		
IN			2.76	3.03	1.57	5/	6.08	6.28		
IA			2.60	2.86	1.62	1.56	5.91	6.05		
KS			2.98	3.19			6.12	6.24	4.88	5.14
KY			2.72	3.05			6.25	6.45		
LA							6.19	6.37		
MI			2.76	2.90	1.52	1.50	5.93	6.15		
MN	2.10	2.39	2.46	2.63	1.28	1.39	5.74	5.88		
MS							6.20	6.39		
MO			2.82	3.05			6.08	6.20	4.67	5.15
MT	2.58	2.92								
NE			2.78	3.01	1.69	1.80	5.94	6.05	4.76	5.01
NM									5.62	5.75
NY					1.46	1.44				
NC			2.92	3.29			6.14	6.34		
ND	2.44	2.58			1.27	1.40				
OH			2.84	3.05	1.68	1.65	6.06	6.20		
OK									4.61	4.76
OR	2.62	2.95			1.66	1.75				
PA			3.15	3.18	1.41	1.36				
SC							6.10	6.19		
SD	2.68	2.87	2.53	2.69	1.60	1.69	5.67	5.81		
TN							6.27	6.45		
TX			3.11	3.17	4/				4.85	5.37
UT	2.74	2.77								
WA	2.60	3.08								
WI			2.56	2.70	1.31	1.30				
WY	2.79	2.97								
US	2.57	2.82	2.69	2.95	1.43	1.55	5.99	6.17	4.87	5.18

1/ The Three-State (MN, ND and SD) Feed Barley price for October 1995 is \$2.20. 2/ Entire month. 3/ Mid-month. 4/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers. 5/ Insufficient sales volume to establish a price.

Malting and Feed Barley: Prices Received Selected States, September and October 1995

State	Malting Barley		Feed Barley	
	Sep	Oct	Sep	Oct
Dollars per Bushel				
ID	3.02	3.31	2.53	2.71
MN	2.61	3.07	2.03	2.31
MT	2.95	3.40	2.21	2.60
ND	2.65	2.80	2.00	2.10
SD	1/	3.25	2.09	2.07

1/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers.

Field Crops: Prices Received, by States, September and October 1995

State	Dry Edible Beans		Sunflower		Flaxseed		Tobacco		Peanuts 4/5/	
	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 3/	Sep 1/	Oct 3/
	Dollars per Cwt				Dollars per Bu		Dollars per Pound			
AL									.292	.281
CA	34.40	34.00								
CO	16.50	17.20								
FL							1.840	1.775	.277	.257
GA							1.830	1.805	.300	.290
ID	18.20	18.20								
IN										
KS			6/	6/						
KY										
MD										
MI	18.70	17.50								
MN	17.10	16.30	9.99	10.90						
MO										
NE	20.70	21.80								
NC							1.825	1.820	.306	.305
ND	16.10	15.20	12.00	11.40	5.12	5.20				
OH										
OK										
SC							1.835	1.810		
SD			11.00	10.30	5.07	5.06				
TN										
TX									.330	.317
VA							1.835	1.830	.308	.308
WA	22.30	20.70								
WV										
US	18.40	18.10	11.00	11.00	5.11	5.20	1.830	1.815	.297	.295

- 1/ Entire month.
- 2/ Mid-month.
- 3/ Based on sales through first half of month.
- 4/ In-shell.
- 5/ Includes additional loan peanuts at loan value.
- 6/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers.

Tobacco: Prices Received, by Area and Type
October 1995, with Comparisons

Class by Type	Type	Oct 1994	Sep 1995	Oct 1995
Dollars per Pound				
Flue-cured				
Old Belt	11	1.815	1.830	1.830
Eastern NC Belt	12	1.805	1.830	1.815
NC Border and SC Belt	13	1.790	1.825	1.800
GA - FL Belt	14	1.725	1.830	1.800
Total Flue - cured	11-14	1.805	1.830	1.815
US	11-37	1.805	1.830	1.815

Field Crops and Apples: Prices Received, by States,
September and October 1995

State	Cotton, Upland		Cotton- seed	October			Apples Fresh Use 1/4/
	Sep 1/	Oct 2/		Hay, Baled 3/			
	Dollars per Pound			All	Alfalfa	Other	
AL	.761	.726	87.00				
AZ	.785	.759		77.00	77.00	76.00	
AR	.727	.734	108.00	62.00	110.00	57.00	
CA	.861	.828		102.00	103.00	65.00	.384
CO				90.00	90.00	85.00	
GA	.766	.748	75.00				
ID				88.00	90.00	66.00	
IL				86.00	92.00	63.00	
IN				84.00	90.00	73.00	
IA				72.00	75.00	49.00	
KS				75.00	77.00	56.00	
KY				85.00	98.00	76.00	
LA	.729	.753	107.00				
MI				64.00	65.00	55.00	.140
MN				68.00	71.00	40.00	
MS	.734	.732	105.00				
MO				66.00	97.00	60.00	
MT				65.00	66.00	58.00	
NE				59.00	61.00	45.00	
NV				98.00	100.00	84.00	
NM				111.00	114.00	87.00	
NY				78.00	89.00	70.00	.201
ND				48.00	54.00	35.00	
OH				73.00	90.00	55.00	.213
OK				75.00	86.00	58.00	
OR				102.00	105.00	76.00	
PA				90.00	106.00	84.00	.210
SD				56.00	58.00	48.00	
TN	.721	.736	100.00				
TX	.728	.722	90.00	65.00	108.00	57.00	
UT				66.00	66.00	50.00	
VA							.121
WA				98.00	93.00	139.00	.274
WI				61.00	65.00	50.00	
WY				71.00	71.00	66.00	
US	.752	.738	97.00	83.00	88.10	62.30	.261

1/ Entire month.

2/ Based on sales during the first half of the month.

3/ Mid-month.

4/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, NY, and WA. Price at point of first sale for other states.

Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,
United States, October 1995, with Comparisons

Item	Unit	Aug 1995 1/	Sep 1995 1/	Oct 1995 2/
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars/Pound	.752	.752	.738
Marketings 3/	1,000 Bales	444	747	NA
Rice				
Average Price	Dollars/Cwt	7.64	7.92	8.38
Marketings 4/	1,000 Cwt	9935	11898	NA

1/ Entire month.

2/ Based on purchases for the first half of the month.

3/ Expanded data from sample of about 56 percent of buyers.

4/ Purchases by private firms and rice (rough equivalent) shipped by cooperatives.

Citrus Fruit: Prices and Equivalent Returns, by Utilization,
by State and United States, October 1995

Commodity, State and Area	F.O.B. Packed Fresh	Equivalent Returns					
		Packinghouse-door			On-tree		
		All	Fresh	Process	All	Fresh	Process
		Dollars per Box 1/					
Grapefruit							
AZ	13.40	7.96	7.96		6.02	6.02	
CA	16.30	9.13	10.88	-0.25	7.19	8.94	-2.19
Desert Valleys	17.10	10.54	11.66	-0.11	8.60	9.72	-2.05
Other Areas	10.40	2.58	4.96	-0.39	0.64	3.02	-2.33
FL	15.00	7.20	8.62	1.49	4.84	6.37	-1.28
White Seedless	16.00	6.86	9.50	2.10	4.42	7.23	-0.65
Colored Seedless	14.70	7.37	8.30	0.60	5.05	6.05	-2.21
TX	19.80	9.48	9.48		8.48	8.48	
CA-AZ							
Desert Valleys	16.70	10.31	11.31	-0.11	8.37	9.37	-2.05
US	15.10	7.26	8.66	1.48	4.92	6.43	-1.29
Lemons							
AZ	34.30	20.89	25.86	1.14	17.25	22.22	-2.50
CA	32.00	12.16	23.56	1.14	8.52	19.92	-2.50
US	33.60	17.27	25.16	1.14	13.63	21.52	-2.50
Limes							
FL	22.00	10.05	12.40	3.00	4.50	6.60	-1.80
Oranges							
CA							
Valencia	15.50	8.91	9.60	-0.44	6.83	7.52	-2.52
TX							
Early and Mids	21.00	10.31	10.31		9.15	9.15	
US	15.50	8.95	9.62	-0.44	6.90	7.57	-2.52
Tangerines							
FL	17.90	10.19	11.60	3.30	7.53	9.00	0.30
US	17.90	10.19	11.60	3.30	7.53	9.00	0.30

1/ Approximate net contents per box are as follows: Grapefruit - AZ and CA, 67 lbs; FL, 85 lbs; TX, 80 lbs; Lemons - 76 lbs; Oranges - AZ and CA, 75 lbs; FL, 90 lbs; TX 85 lbs; Limes - 88 lbs; Tangerines - AZ and CA, 75 lbs; FL, 95 lbs.

Potatoes: Prices Received, by States,
September and October 1995

State	Sep	Oct	State	Sep	Oct
Dollars per Cwt			Dollars per Cwt		
AL			NC		
AZ			ND - All 1/	4.20	4.50
CA - All	19.30	11.90	- Fresh 2/	6.25	NA
- Winter			- Processing	4.10	NA
- Spring			OH	6.15	6.60
- Summer	19.30	17.00	OR	6.15	5.00
- Fall		10.60	PA	6.80	7.00
CO - All 1/	7.40	6.65	TX		
- Fresh 2/	8.20	NA	VA	9.00	
FL			WA - All	5.85	5.50
ID - All 1/	5.65	5.45	- Processing	4.50	NA
- Fresh 2/	7.00	NA	WI - All 1/	5.50	6.00
- Processing	5.30	NA	- Fresh 2/	7.90	NA
ME	5.70	5.75	- Processing	4.35	NA
MI	5.95	6.25			
MN	5.00	4.95	US - All 1/	5.75	5.54
NY	7.85	6.95	- Fresh 2/	8.77	NA
			- Processing	4.86	NA

1/ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed.

2/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices.

Cattle: Prices Received, by States, September and October 1995

State	Cows 1/		Steers & Heifers:		Beef Cattle 4/		Calves	
	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/	Sep 2/	Oct 3/
	Dollars per Cwt							
AZ	33.00	32.00	61.50	61.50	58.40	57.10	69.00	67.00
AR	34.60	34.00	58.00	56.50	46.80	45.70	52.40	50.70
CA	32.40	31.10	51.80	50.50	43.50	42.00	62.60	61.40
CO	35.30	33.30	63.00	64.40	62.20	63.50	68.50	68.40
FL	30.90	30.50	54.20	52.50	40.70	39.70	64.10	61.50
GA	31.60	29.60	50.00	49.10	37.50	35.50	57.70	56.80
ID	33.30	32.10	57.70	57.50	52.30	50.40	60.20	57.20
IL	33.60	32.20	61.60	62.10	61.00	61.50	94.00	94.00
IA	34.40	34.00	61.80	62.40	58.00	58.40	63.90	61.50
KS	36.20	33.30	63.60	63.00	63.10	62.10	71.20	69.00
KY	32.50	32.00	55.00	54.00	49.60	48.70	56.00	54.00
LA	31.80	31.00	51.10	48.00	38.90	37.30	57.30	56.00
MI	34.10	33.20	56.70	55.50	49.90	48.80	67.50	68.50
MN	35.60	34.60	55.60	57.00	53.60	54.80	66.50	66.50
MO	34.20	32.60	60.30	59.50	54.60	53.60	62.80	59.30
MT	35.40	33.00	64.20	63.70	59.50	58.20	65.50	64.70
NE	36.10	35.00	62.90	64.70	62.40	64.10	69.00	68.50
NM	37.50	34.60	57.70	56.90	50.00	48.40	60.60	58.70
ND	34.60	34.50	61.80	63.50	55.30	57.10	64.60	64.20
OH	30.60	30.00	59.00	59.00	56.20	56.10	61.00	60.00
OK	33.50	30.70	63.10	62.00	60.10	57.30	64.90	62.50
OR	34.00	33.00	55.20	55.00	48.80	48.40	59.00	58.60
PA	34.30	33.00	60.70	60.70	53.80	53.50	84.00	83.50
SD	40.00	37.50	64.00	64.30	61.80	60.80	67.00	66.00
TN	30.20	30.30	55.20	53.70	45.20	44.30	55.50	53.70
TX	31.80	30.80	60.90	58.20	58.00	55.50	64.90	61.40
VA	31.20	30.70	56.00	55.00	50.50	49.90	56.20	56.00
WI	34.70	33.20	59.20	58.60	45.00	43.90	107.00	109.00
WY	35.60	34.80	65.30	65.90	62.90	61.20	67.60	67.00
US	34.10	32.80	62.00	61.90	59.10	58.80	68.50	66.70

- 1/ Beef cows 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, September and October 1995

State	Sows		Barrows and Gilts		All Hogs	
	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/	Sep 1/	Oct 2/
	Dollars per Cwt					
GA	36.10	37.20	46.60	46.10	45.60	45.20
IL	35.20	39.40	48.60	46.10	47.50	45.60
IN	36.00	42.00	47.80	45.60	46.40	45.20
IA	37.10	41.20	50.00	48.20	49.60	47.90
KS	36.80	41.70	47.60	45.70	46.20	45.20
KY	36.00	40.00	47.00	45.00	46.60	44.80
MI	32.00	34.30	51.20	49.20	48.50	47.10
MN	36.10	40.60	50.40	48.80	49.70	48.40
MO	35.10	38.80	47.50	45.80	46.10	45.00
NE	37.30	42.90	50.00	47.60	49.70	47.50
NC	35.80	39.50	49.10	47.50	49.00	47.30
OH	34.40	37.00	48.50	48.00	47.50	47.20
PA	32.50	34.00	47.50	46.70	45.30	44.80
SC	33.40	35.90	45.00	43.30	44.30	42.90
SD	35.70	41.50	50.40	49.10	49.70	48.80
TN	35.40	38.80	47.20	45.50	46.00	44.80
TX	31.50	33.00	45.30	43.70	43.20	42.10
VA	35.20	38.50	48.80	47.80	48.50	47.60
WI	31.90	34.30	47.60	45.90	45.60	44.40
US	35.50	39.40	49.10	47.30	48.30	46.70

1/ Entire month.

2/ Mid-month.

Sheep and Poultry: Prices Received, by States,
September and October 1995

State	Sheep		Lambs		October		
	Sep 1/ ^{1/}	Oct 2/ ^{2/}	Sep 1/ ^{1/}	Oct 2/ ^{2/}	Turkeys 2/3/ ^{3/}	Broilers 1/4/ ^{4/}	Eggs 2/3/ ^{5/}
	Dollars per Cwt				Dollars per Pound		Dol/Doz
AL						.355	.525
AZ							
AR					.49	.370	.560
CA	28.00	25.00	83.00	79.50	.49	.355	.440
CO	25.30	20.80	86.60	82.50			
CT							1.100
DE						.360	
FL							.510
GA						.370	.563
ID	26.00	23.50	76.50	71.00			
IN					.43		.570
IA	23.70	21.10	82.90	75.60	.42		.443
KS	25.20	20.80	86.50	82.50			
ME							1.030
MD						.360	
MI							.550
MN	21.50	22.00	81.60	73.60	.35		.450
MS						.365	.636
MO					.49		.507
MT	26.40	23.30	84.00	80.90			
NE	27.60	28.70	80.20	66.50			
NM	25.70	23.00	81.30	77.80			
NY							.708
NC					.49	.350	.467
OH	25.10	23.00	76.80	72.00			.514
OR	22.00	21.50	75.00	75.00			
PA					.38	.360	.510
SC							.579
SD	25.50	24.20	85.50	78.30			
TX	30.00	25.80	84.00	80.30		.380	.580
UT	21.00	17.00	80.00	72.00			
VA					.50	.360	
WA							.760
WY	26.20	25.10	85.30	78.10			
US	26.00	23.50	82.70	77.90	.453	.363	.547

1/ Entire month.

2/ Mid-month.

3/ IN, IA, MN and PA are actual liveweight prices. All other State prices are equivalent liveweight returns to producers (see footnote 4 for formula).

4/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers. Derived from ready-to-cook (RTC) prices using the following formula: (RTC price minus processing cost) * (dressing percentage) = equivalent liveweight price.

5/ Market (table) eggs. Includes eggs sold retail by the producer.

Milk and Milk Cows: Prices Received, by States, September and October 1995

State	September						October			
	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		
Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Head		
AL	14.00	3.50	11.80	3.57	14.00	3.50	14.30	3.55	1050	
AR	14.10	3.46	12.80	4.21	14.10	3.47	14.20	3.61	1070	
CA	11.70	3.55	11.70	3.87	11.70	3.56	12.30	3.64	1190	
CO	12.60	3.50			12.60	3.50	13.00	3.64	1170	
FL	15.20	3.45			15.20	3.45	15.50	3.50	1170	
GA	14.60	3.54			14.60	3.54	14.90	3.60	1100	
ID	12.30	3.54	12.00	3.74	12.30	3.55	12.50	3.68	1090	
IL	12.70	3.66	11.60	3.53	12.60	3.65	12.60	3.79	1110	
IN	12.80	3.63	11.00	3.67	12.70	3.63	13.00	3.76	1080	
IA	12.40	3.65	12.20	3.70	12.40	3.65	12.80	3.75	1100	
KS	12.30	3.56	11.00	3.53	12.20	3.56	12.80	3.70	1100	
KY	13.30	3.53	11.00	3.55	13.30	3.53	13.60	3.63	1020	
LA	13.80	3.55			13.80	3.55	14.10	3.65	1120	
MD	13.30	3.59			13.30	3.59	13.70	3.59	1125	
MI	12.90	3.56	12.10	3.56	12.90	3.56	13.30	3.69	1100	
MN	13.15	3.69	11.95	3.68	13.01	3.69	13.60	3.80	1020	
MS	13.60	3.55			13.60	3.55	13.80	3.64	1060	
MO	13.20	3.56	11.90	3.76	13.10	3.57	13.30	3.69	980	
NE	12.40	3.63	11.80	3.64	12.30	3.63	12.60	3.78	1100	
NM	11.90	3.50			11.90	3.50	11.80	3.62	1170	
NY	12.90	3.60			12.90	3.60	13.40	3.73	1050	
NC	13.70	3.54	11.60	3.87	13.70	3.54	14.00	3.60	1080	
ND	12.40	3.66	11.40	3.68	12.00	3.67	12.40	3.77	960	
OH	12.90	3.64	11.20	3.70	12.70	3.65	13.00	3.75	1110	
OK	13.60	3.49	5/	5/	13.60	3.49	13.80	3.61	1080	
OR	12.50	3.56	11.20	3.85	12.50	3.56	12.80	3.60	1070	
PA	13.50	3.58	12.00	3.74	13.50	3.58	13.70	3.70	1100	
TN	13.60	3.51	10.60	3.70	13.50	3.52	13.70	3.55	1010	
TX	13.00	3.52			13.00	3.52	13.00	3.60	1120	
UT	12.10	3.57	11.70	3.55	12.10	3.57	12.20	3.68	1070	
VT	13.10	3.60			13.10	3.60	13.50	3.72	1120	
VA	13.00	3.53	10.60	3.70	13.00	3.53	13.40	3.63	1140	
WA	12.40	3.56			12.40	3.56	12.60	3.63	1130	
WI	13.16	3.71	12.56	3.78	13.11	3.72	13.70	3.85	1060	
US	12.80	3.59	12.00	3.73	12.80	3.60	13.20	3.70	1090	

- 1/ Including surplus diverted to manufacturing. 2/ Before deductions for hauling and government withholding. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 3/ Preliminary. 4/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published Jan, Apr, Jul and Oct.
 5/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers.

Parity Price Equivalent for Manufacturing Milk 1/: United States, September and October 1995, with Comparisons

Item	Oct 1994	Sep 1995	Oct 1995
Parity Equivalent.....Dol per Cwt	24.52	25.04	25.23
Average Price F.O.B.....Dol per Cwt	12.20	12.00	2/12.40
Average Fat Test of Milk..Percent	3.86	3.73	2/3.86

- 1/ The parity price equivalent during 1995 is 91.4 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, compared with 91.5 percent in 1994. For additional details, see January 1995 issue of Agricultural Prices.
 2/ Preliminary.

United States Parity Prices for Farm Products and Average Prices Received as Percent of Parity Prices Based on Data for October 1995, with Comparisons 1/

Commodity and Unit	Adjusted Base Prices	Parity Prices Based on Data for			Prices as Percent of Parity		
		Oct 1994	Sep 1995	Oct 1995	Oct 1994	Sep 1995	Oct 1995
		Dollars			Percents		
Basic Commodities							
All Wheat, Bu	.611	8.38	8.62	8.69	45	52	54
Rice, Cwt	1.71	23.10	24.10	24.30	28	33	34
Corn, Bu	.414	5.78	5.84	5.89	36	46	50
Cotton, Lb							
American Upland	.113	1.55	1.59	1.61	43	47	46
Extra Long Staple	.147	2.00	2.07	2.09			
Peanuts, Lb	.0439	.600	.619	.624	48	48	47
Tobacco, By Type, Lb							
Flue-Cured 11-14	.252	3.48	3.55	3.58	52	52	51
VA Fire-Cured, 21	.226	3.01	3.19	3.21			
KY-TN Fire-Cured, 22-23	.291	3.89	4.10	4.14			
Burley, 31	.258	3.56	3.64	3.67			
Maryland, 32	.218	2.96	3.07	3.10			
Dark Air-Cured, 35-36	.241	3.23	3.40	3.43			
Sun-Cured, 37	.198	2.61	2.79	2.82			
PA Seedleaf, 41	.156	2.12	2.20	2.22			
Cigar Filler & Binder, 42-44, 54-55	.198	2.67	2.79	2.82			
Puerto Rican Filler, 46	.173	2.37	2.44	2.46			
Cigar Binder, 51-52	.344	4.44	4.85	4.89			
Designated Nonbasic							
All Milk, Sold to Plants, Per Cwt	1.94	26.80	27.40	27.60	2/47	2/46	2/46
Honey, Extracted, Lb	37.0812	1.15	1.14	1.15			
Wool and Mohair							
Wool, Lb	.282	3.79	3.98	4.01			
Mohair, Lb	.708	9.80	9.98	10.10			
Other Nonbasic							
Barley, Bu	.370	5.12	5.22	5.26	38	49	54
Cottonseed, Ton	14.50	197.00	204.00	206.00	49	49	47
Dry Edible Beans, Cwt	3.24	43.70	45.70	46.10	53	40	39
Flaxseed, Bu	.759	10.80	10.70	10.80	42	48	48
Oats, Bu	.230	3.23	3.24	3.27	37	44	47
Potatoes, Cwt	.830	11.50	11.70	11.80	40	49	47
Rye, Bu	.273	4.28	3.85	3.88			
Sorghum Grain, Cwt	.639	9.25	9.01	9.09	36	54	57
Soybeans, Bu	.885	12.30	12.50	12.60	43	48	49
Sweetpotatoes, Cwt	1.36	22.30	19.20	19.30	45		
Apples, Fresh, Lb 5/	.0277	.379	.391	.394	51	69	66
Citrus (equiv on-tree), Box:							
Grapefruit	.713	9.76	10.10	10.10	46	100	49
Lemons	1.17	16.00	16.50	16.60	61	102	82
Limes (FL)	1.46	19.60	20.60	20.80	53	49	22
Oranges	.886	12.10	12.50	12.60	21	58	55
Tangerines	1.96	26.80	27.60	27.90	31		27
Temples (FL)	.734	10.00	10.30	10.40			
Beef Cattle, Cwt	10.10	136.00	142.00	144.00	46	42	41
Calves, Cwt	12.90	171.00	182.00	183.00	46	38	36
Hogs, Cwt	6.97	97.30	98.30	99.10	33	49	47
Lambs, Cwt	10.20	138.00	144.00	145.00	49	57	54
Sheep, Cwt	4.06	52.60	57.20	57.70	52	45	41
Eggs, Doz	.0927	1.29	1.31	1.32	2/45	2/52	2/50
Turkeys, Live, Lb	.0600	.836	.846	.853	53	52	53

-- continued

Parity Prices Based on Data for October 1995, United States 1/ (continued)

Other Nonbasic Commodities	Adj Base Prices	Parity Prices	Other Nonbasic Commodities	Adj Base Prices	Parity Prices
	Dollars			Dollars	
Field Crops and Misc Commodities			Noncitrus Fruit		
Hops, Lb	.252	3.58	Pears, Ton		
Tobacco, Lb			Fresh 5/	50.00	711.00
Type 61	2.65	37.70	Dried, CA 7/	133.00	1890.00
Noncitrus Fruit			Plums, CA, Ton		
Apples, Ton 7/			Fresh, Equiv on-Tree	52.00	739.00
Processing	18.00	256.00	Prunes, Dried, CA, Ton 7/	133.00	1890.00
Apricots, Ton			Prunes and Plums, Excl CA, Ton		
Fresh 8/	159.00	2260.00	Fresh 10/	56.10	798.00
Dried, CA	303.00	4310.00	Processing 7/		
Avocados, Ton 8/	171.00	2430.00	Excl Dried	19.10	272.00
Cherries			Tree Nuts 11/		
Sweet, Ton	135.00	1920.00	Almonds, Lb	.188	2.67
Tart, Lb	.0294	.418	Hazelnuts, Ton	115.00	1640.00
Cranberry, Bbl 6/	7.10	101.00	Walnuts, Ton	164.00	2330.00
Dates, CA, Ton 8/	135.00	1920.00	Vegetables, Cwt 12/		
Grapes, Ton			Fresh		
Raisin Variety	130.00	1850.00	Carrots 9/	1.52	21.60
Other, Dried	47.60	677.00	Cauliflower 9/	4.03	57.30
Nectarines			Celery 9/	1.80	25.60
Fresh, CA, Ton 8/	59.20	842.00	Honeydew Melons	2.27	32.30
Olives, CA			Lettuce	1.95	27.70
Canning, Ton 6/	94.10	1340.00	Onions 9/	1.77	25.20
Peaches			Tomatoes	4.38	62.30
Fresh, Lb 5/	.0409	.582			
Dried, CA, Ton	136.00	1930.00			
Processing 6/					
Excl Dried					
Clingstone, CA, Ton	30.50	434.00			

- 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, and 1956. See January and July Agricultural Prices for details on adjusted base price and parity price computations.
- 2/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price.
- 3/ Wholesale extracted. Adjusted base price derived from state annual averages prices weighted by production. For 1982 through 1985 the national averages are the support prices.
- 4/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments.
- 5/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, NY (apples only), OR (except peaches), and WA. Price at point of first sale for other states.
- 6/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point.
- 7/ Equivalent returns at processing plant door.
- 8/ Equivalent returns at packinghouse door.
- 9/ Includes some processing.
- 10/ Based on "as sold" prices for fresh fruit in all states.
- 11/ Prices in-shell basis except almonds which are shelled basis.
- 12/ F.O.B. shipping point prices.

Cotton, Upland: Prices Received by Month, State and U.S., August 1994 - July 1995. Marketing Year Average Price by State and U.S. 1993-1994 1/

State	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Dollars per Pound								
AL	2/	2/	.628	.615	.715	.711	.742	.856
AZ	.545	.617	.612	.703	.714	.799	.813	.948
AR	.650	.668	.655	.650	.671	.721	.707	.796
CA	.654	.648	.688	.754	.793	.945	.948	1.080
FL								
GA	2/	.632	.663	.678	.708	.760	.831	.843
KS								
LA	.655	.663	.664	.661	.686	.740	.707	.718
MS	.650	.677	.681	.669	.735	.721	.786	.710
MO								
NM								
NC								
OK								
SC								
TN	.618	.674	.639	.666	.708	.762	.806	.726
TX	.672	.652	.651	.672	.729	.764	.798	.701
VA								
US	.668	.652	.662	.685	.733	.787	.802	.826
Dollars per Pound								
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Upland MYA		Amer-Pima MYA	
					1993	1994	1993	1994
Dollars per Pound								
AL	.744	2/	2/	2/	.571	.691		
AZ	2/	1.023	1.023	.977	.581	.706	.916	1.030
AR	.705	.701	.700	.699	.572	.677		
CA	1.132	1.079	.979	.994	.657	.803	.840	1.020
FL					.555	.722		
GA	.984	2/	2/	2/	.599	.733		
KS					.520	.740		
LA	.705	.705	.700	.699	.577	.685		
MS	.704	.738	.702	.699	.575	.717		
MO					.532	.661		
NM					.609	.723	.910	1.030
NC					.577	.727		
OK					.497	.680		
SC					.607	.723		
TN	.754	.701	.705	.704	.587	.696		
TX	.696	.733	.706	.689	.535	.696	.911	1.030
VA					.570	.722		
US	.776	.762	.793	.801	.581	.720	.870	1.025

1/ July 1994 - August 1995 and 1994 marketing year average prices revised.
 2/ Sales insufficient to establish a price.

Upland Cotton Farm Marketings: Percent of Sales by Month, State and U.S.,
 August 1994 - July 1995, U.S. Bales Purchased by Month, 1993-94 and 1994-95

State	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	
Percent 1/							
AL	0.4	1.0	7.0	21.2	56.8	7.2	
AZ	1.1	6.1	19.1	48.8	11.4	5.4	
AR	1.1	1.9	22.2	27.2	24.2	6.2	
CA	1.0	4.1	14.8	23.7	33.6	11.7	
GA	0.0	0.3	8.7	20.1	27.1	27.8	
LA	1.2	2.7	17.1	25.5	26.3	14.4	
MS	2.3	1.9	16.0	12.9	23.0	12.8	
TN	1.2	0.4	17.0	35.0	23.2	6.4	
TX	13.6	9.1	13.2	23.2	24.0	9.5	
US 1994-95	5.0	4.6	14.8	23.5	27.1	11.3	
1993-94	2.4	6.0	10.1	21.7	22.4	14.3	
Marketings, (000) Bales 2/							
US 1994-95	910	837	2,699	4,279	4,925	2,058	
1993-94	325	807	1,366	2,923	3,028	1,925	
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
Percent							
AL	3.2	2.0	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	
AZ	1.9	0.3	0.0	1.8	1.8	2.3	
AR	4.2	7.3	1.8	1.3	1.6	1.0	
CA	3.6	3.1	1.0	0.2	1.9	1.3	
GA	11.1	4.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	
LA	5.2	2.3	1.6	1.3	1.4	0.9	
MS	14.7	4.2	3.3	3.9	3.0	1.9	
TN	11.8	1.4	1.3	0.8	1.0	0.6	
TX	3.6	1.2	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	
US 1994-95	6.0	2.9	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.5	
1993-94	6.8	5.3	4.0	3.6	1.9	1.5	
Marketings, (000) Bales							
US 1994-95	1,097	522	232	206	249	180	18,194
1993-94	913	722	542	491	263	193	13,497

1/ Percents reflect estimates of actual marketings used for calculating marketing year average price.

2/ Survey expansions. May not add to U.S. total due to rounding.

Cottonseed: Monthly and Marketing Year Average Prices
by State and U.S., August 1994 - February 1995 1/

State	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	MYA
	Dollars per Ton							
AL			86.00	83.00	79.00			84.00
AZ		129.00	129.00	129.00	129.00	122.00		129.00
AR		100.00	90.00	90.00	90.00			94.00
CA				141.00	147.00	157.00		143.00
FL								80.00
GA			67.00	67.00	70.00	66.00	70.00	68.00
KS								91.00
LA			90.00	97.00	90.00			92.00
MS		90.00	95.00	95.00	95.00			93.00
MO								91.00
NM								118.00
NC								89.00
OK								91.00
SC								78.50
TN			90.00	90.00	88.00			90.00
TX	86.00	108.00	104.00	105.00	103.00	102.00		102.00
VA								89.00
US	86.00	101.00	96.00	107.00	103.00	95.00	70.00	101.00

1/ Revised. Monthly prices available for major cotton producing states only.

Reliability of Prices Received by Farmers Estimates

Definition: Prices received represent sales from producers to first buyers. They include all grades and qualities. The average commodity price from the survey multiplied by the total quantity marketed theoretically should give the total cash receipts for the commodity.

Survey Procedures: Primary sales data used to determine grain prices were obtained from probability samples of 2600 mills and elevators. These procedures ensure that virtually all grain moving into commercial channels has a chance of being included in the survey. Generally, States surveyed account for 90 percent or more of total U.S. production. Livestock prices are obtained from packers, stockyards, auctions, dealers, and market check data from AMS-USDA, private marketing organizations, and state commodity groups and agencies. Inter-farm sales of grain and livestock are not included since they represent very small percentages of the total marketings. Grain marketed for seed is also excluded. Fruit and vegetable prices are obtained from sample surveys and market check data from AMS-USDA, private marketing organizations, state agencies, and universities.

Summary and Estimation Procedures: Survey quantities sold are expanded by strata to state levels and used to weight average strata prices to a state average. State prices are then weighted to a U.S. price based on expanded marketings. Recommendations are prepared by the State Statistical Offices and reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board in Washington, D.C. State recommendations are reviewed for reasonableness with survey data, other States, and recent historic estimates.

Revisions: For most items, the current month's price represents a 3-5 day period around the mid-month. Previous month's prices represent actual dollars received for quantities sold during the entire month. Revisions are published in monthly issues of "Agricultural Prices" and in the annual summary published in July. A schedule of monthly revisions is published in the December issue of "Agricultural Prices" and in the July annual summary.

Reliability: U.S. price estimates generally have a sampling error of less than one half percent for the major commodities such as corn, wheat, soybeans, cotton, and rice. To assist users in evaluating the reliability of prices received estimates for major grain commodities, the "Root Mean Square Error" is shown in the table on the next page. The "Root Mean Square Error" is a statistical measure based on past performance and is computed using the difference between first and final estimates. The "Root Mean Square Error" for the 5-month corn price is 0.2 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the current 5-month price of \$2.47 per bushel will not be above or below the final 5-month price by more than 0.2 percent, or about half of a cent. Chances are 9 out of 10 (90% confidence interval) that the difference will not exceed 0.3 percent, or about three-fourths of a penny.

Prices Paid

The October Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) was 109 (1990-92=100), up 1 point (0.9 percent) from July and 3 points (2.8 percent) from October 1994.

Production Index: The farm production, goods, and services index for October 1995, at 108, was up 1 point (0.9 percent) from July 1995. The index was up 3 points (2.9 percent) from October a year ago. Since July, price increases for feed, fuel, and trucks more than offset price decreases for fertilizer and livestock purchases.

Feed: At 109, the feed index increased 6.9 percent since July and 11 percent from October 1994. Higher October feed grain, complete feed, concentrate, and supplement prices pushed the index upward.

Fertilizer: The fertilizer index, at 115, decreased 2.5 percent since July, but increased 3.6 percent from last October. Since July, lower nitrogen and mixed fertilizer prices were partially offset by higher prices for potash and phosphorus materials.

Fuels: The fuel index, at 90, increased 2.3 percent since July and 3.4 percent from October 1994. Higher diesel fuel prices more than offset lower gasoline and LP fuel prices since last reported in July 1995.

Livestock and Poultry: The October 1995 livestock and poultry index declined 1.2 percent since July to 80. The index was 8.0 percent below October a year earlier. October feeder cattle prices, at \$65.00 per cwt, were down \$1.90 from July. Feeder pig prices in October averaged \$67.50 per cwt, an increase of \$12.50 from the previous quarter.

Autos and Trucks: At 123, the October index increased 1.7 percent from July and 6.0 percent from a year ago. Higher October truck prices more than offset slightly lower automobile prices.

Ag Chemicals: The October agricultural chemical index rose 0.9 percent to 116 from last quarter and 1.8 percent from October 1994. Higher herbicide prices were the primary contributors to the increase in the index since July.

Farm Machinery: The October index was 118, unchanged from July but 9.3 percent higher than October 1994. Higher other machinery and tractor prices offset lower prices for self-propelled machinery.

Consumer Price Index: The September 1995 Consumer Price Index, before seasonal adjustment, for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) was 153.2 (1982-84=100) compared to 152.9 in August. The July index was 152.5. For the 12-month period ending in September, the overall index increased 2.5 percent.

Index Numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers and Related Parity Ratios
United States, October 1995, With Comparisons

Indexes And Ratios	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	1994	1995		1994	1995	
	Oct	Jul	Oct	Oct	Jul	Oct
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PPITW)	1386	*1411	1422	106	108	109
Production	1014	*1031	1041	105	107	108
Feed	481	*501	533	98	*102	109
Livestock and Poultry	1111	*1027	1015	87	81	80
Seeds	1091	1091	1091	110	110	110
Fertilizer	405	*428	418	111	*118	115
Agricultural Chemicals	703	*707	711	114	*115	116
Fuels	674	*685	698	87	*88	90
Farm Supplies & Repairs	789	*796	798	111	112	113
Autos & Trucks	3074	*3197	3263	116	121	123
Farm Machinery	2698	*2927	2933	108	*118	118
Building Materials	1502	*1551	1559	111	*115	115
Farm Services & Rent	1349	*1389	1391	--	--	--
Farm Services	--	--	---	113	118	118
Rent	--	--	---	108	108	108
Interest 1/	2310	2545	2545	92	101	101
Taxes 2/	3002	3091	3091	112	115	115
Wage Rates	4174	*4142	4142	112	*111	111
Production, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PITW)	1403	*1438	1449	104	107	108
Family Living-CPI 3/	1419	*1440	1447	111	113	114
Parity Ratio 4/	44	*46	47			
Parity Ratio Adjusted 5/ PPITW Adjusted for Productivity 6/	46	*48	49			
939	*963	966				
Crop Sector (PPITW)				108	*111	112
Livestock Sector (PPITW)				104	*106	107
Farm Sector (Production)				96	*95	98
Non-Farm Sector (Production)				110	*113	113

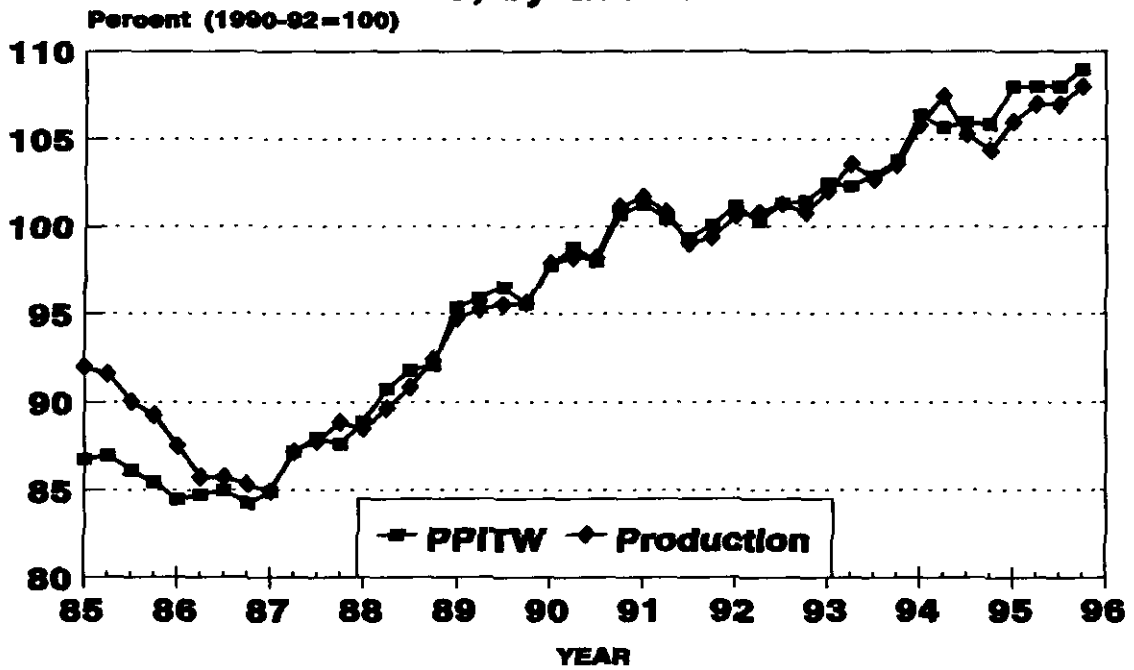
* Revised. 1/ Interest per acre on farm real estate debt and interest rate on farm non-real estate debt. 2/ Farm real estate taxes payable per acre. 3/ Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Prices Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), for the previous month converted by the USDA. 4/ Ratio of index of Prices Received to PPITW (1910-14=100). 5/ Based on estimated cash receipts, from marketings and government payments, the preliminary adjustment factor is 1.058 for 1995 and the revised factor is 1.045 for 1994. 6/ PPITW is adjusted based on productivity trend for the prior 15 years.

Prices Paid Indexes and Annual Weights
For Selected Production Input Sub-Components United States, October 1995

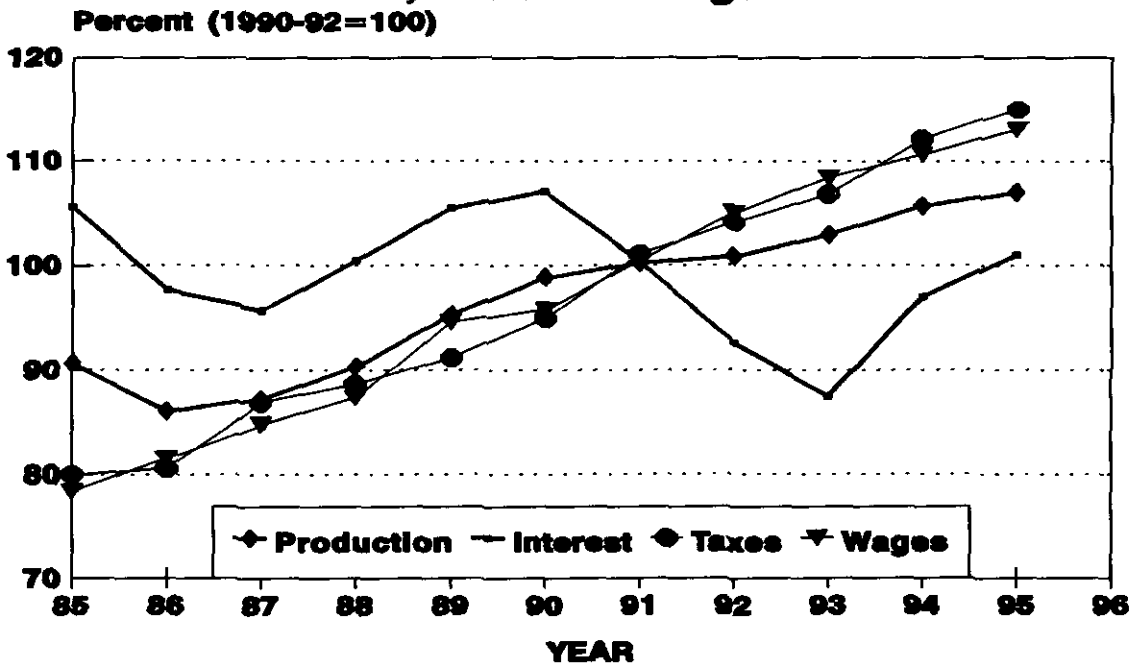
Index	Relative Weights		Input Indexes			
	5-Year Moving Average:		1994	1995		
	1994	1995	Ann Avg	Oct	Jul	Oct
	--- percent ---		----- (1990-92=100) -----			
Production Items	66.4	66.3	106	105	107	108
Feed	11.9	11.5	105	98	*102	109
Complete Feeds	5.3	5.0	106	102	*99	102
Feed Grains	2.1	2.1	103	88	*114	127
Hay/Forages	1.3	1.3	111	109	103	104
Concentrates	1.9	1.8	106	96	*96	104
Supplements	1.3	1.3	97	92	*107	119
Livestock & Poultry	8.5	8.4	95	87	81	80
Feeder Cattle	6.6	6.5	95	88	79	77
Milk Cow Replacements	.7	.7	103	103	100	97
Feeder Pigs	.7	.7	73	49	60	73
Poultry	.5	.5	105	104	103	103
Seeds	2.7	2.7	109	110	110	110
Field Crops	2.4	2.4	109	110	109	109
Grasses/Legumes	.3	.3	113	114	119	119
Fertilizer	4.9	4.7	106	111	*118	115
Mixed Fertilizer	2.1	2.1	101	102	*116	115
Nitrogen	2.0	2.0	114	123	*126	118
Potash & Potassium	.8	.6	97	100	*100	104
Agricultural Chemicals	3.2	3.4	112	114	*115	116
Herbicides	2.0	2.1	110	111	113	114
Insecticides	.8	.8	117	120	*120	120
Fungicides/Other	.4	.5	109	116	*118	118
Fuels	2.9	2.9	84	87	*88	90
Diesel	1.6	1.6	82	85	*82	89
LP Gas	.3	.3	86	85	*95	91
Gasoline	1.0	1.0	85	92	*95	91
Farm Supplies & Repairs	5.5	5.4	110	111	112	113
Supplies	1.9	1.8	106	107	110	110
Repairs	3.6	3.6	111	114	114	114
Autos and Trucks	1.4	1.4	115	116	121	123
Autos	.2	.2	111	114	*117	117
Trucks	1.2	1.2	116	116	122	125
Farm Machinery	4.6	4.5	110	108	*118	118
Self-Propelled	1.8	1.8	110	106	*121	121
Tractors	1.0	1.0	110	109	*109	110
Other Machinery	1.8	1.7	109	108	119	120
Building Materials	2.3	2.4	109	111	*115	115
Farm Services	10.8	11.1	113	114	118	118
Custom Rates	1.1	1.1	104	104	104	104
Other Services	9.7	10.0	114	115	120	120
Rent	7.7	7.8	108	108	108	108
Cash	3.5	3.5	115	115	115	115
Share	4.2	4.3	102	102	102	102

* Revised.

Prices Paid, Major Indexes US, by Quarter

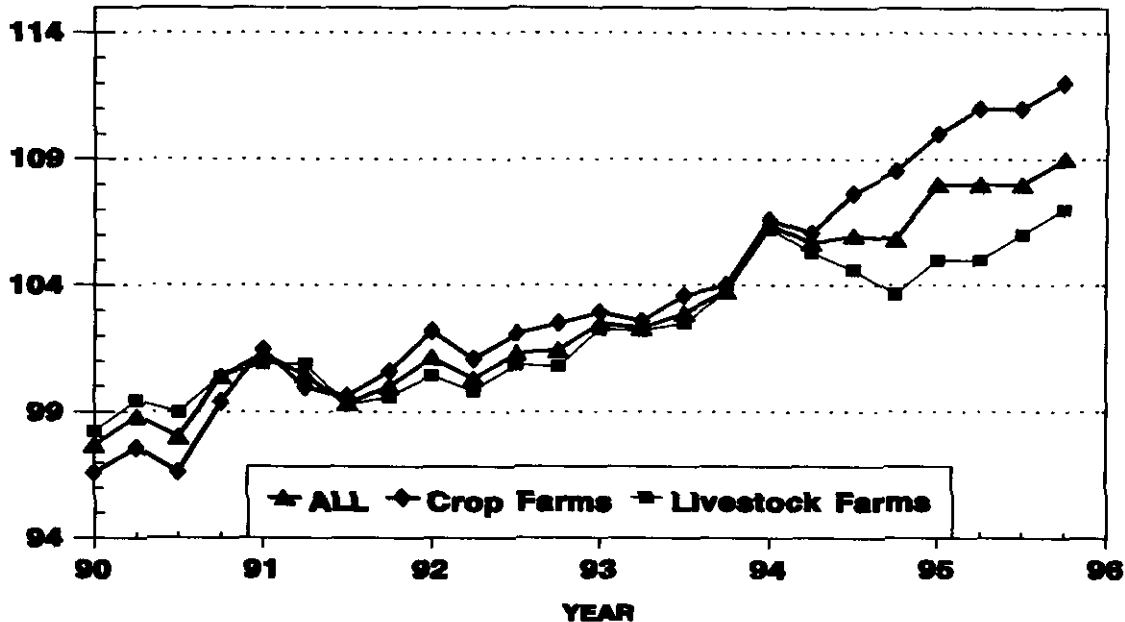


Prices Paid, Major Indexes US, Annual Averages



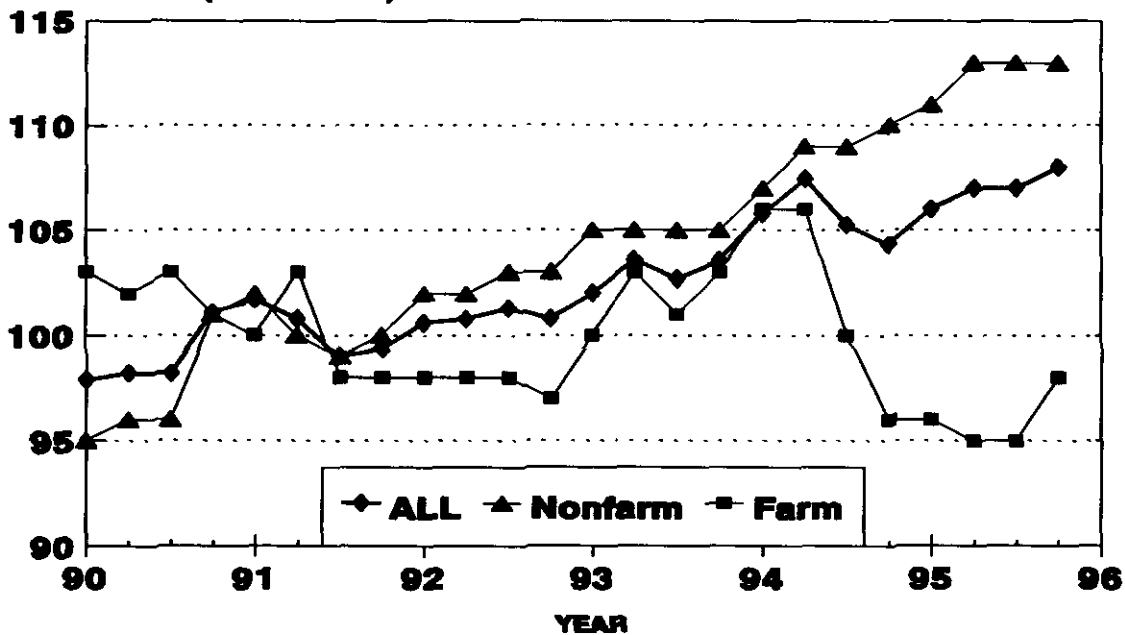
Prices Paid, PPITW Indexes US, Farm Sector by Quarter

Percent (1990-92=100)

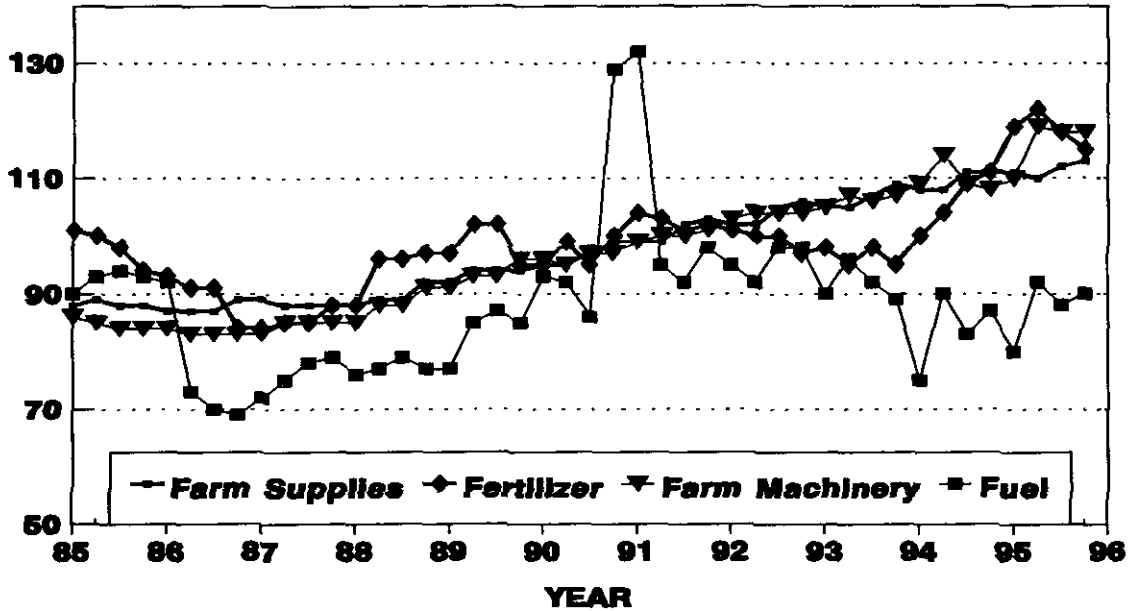


Prices Paid, Production Indexes US, Sector Origin by Quarter

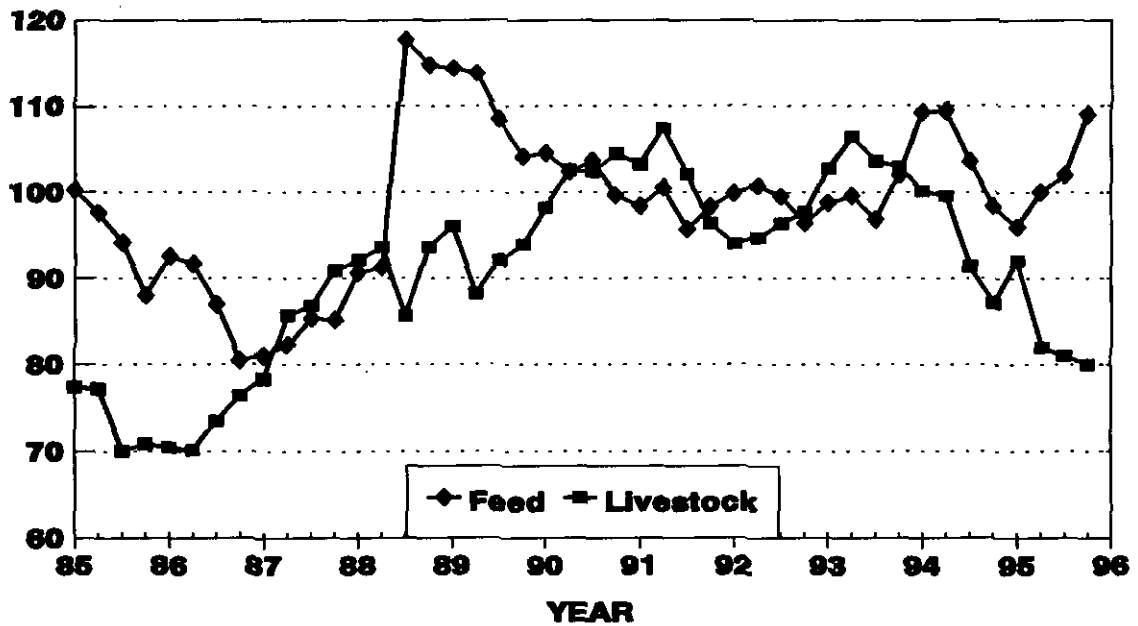
Percent (1990-92=100)



**Prices Paid, Selected Production Indexes
US, Non-Farm Sector by Quarter**
Percent (1990-92=100)



**Prices Paid, Selected Production Indexes
US, Farm Sector by Quarter**
PERCENT (1990-92=100)



Feed Price Ratios: With Comparisons, United States, October 1995

Feed Price Ratio 1/	1994		1995	
	Oct	Oct	Sep	Oct
Broiler-Feed: Pounds of Broiler Grower equal in value to 1 pound of broiler, live weight.	*5.8		5.5	4.9
Market Egg Feed: Pounds of Laying Feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs.	*8.9		9.0	8.4
Hog-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of hog, live weight.	*15.4		*18.0	15.8
Milk-Feed: Pounds of 16% Mixed Dairy Feed equal in value to 1 pound of Whole Milk.	*2.92		*2.56	2.48
Steer Heifer-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of Steer & Heifers, live weight.	32.1		*23.0	21.0
Turkey-Feed: Pounds of Turkey Grower equal in value to 1 pound of Turkey, live weight.	*7.9		*6.4	6.3

* Revised.

1/ Effective January 1995, prices of commercial prepared feeds are based on current U.S. prices received for corn, soybeans, alfalfa hay, and all wheat.

Feeder Livestock and Poultry: Prices Paid, With Comparisons
United States, October 1995

ITEM	Unit	1994		1995	
		Oct	Oct	Jul	Oct
Dollars					
Broiler Chicks 1/	Per 100				
Egg-Type Chicks 1/	"				
Feeders and Stockers					
Cattle and Calves	Cwt	74.50		66.90	65.00
Pigs	"	45.50		*55.00	67.50
Turkey Poults 1/	Each				

* Revised.

1/ Quarterly prices discontinued January 1994. Annual average data are published in April.

Feeder Pigs: Prices Paid, 16-Major States, August 1995 1/

State	Dollars Per Cwt	State	Dollars Per Cwt
GA	53.00	MO	59.00
IL	70.50	NE	73.50
IN	78.50	NC	74.00
IA	70.50	OH	65.00
KS	72.50	PA	78.50
KY	57.50	SD	64.50
MI	78.00	TN	67.50
MN	76.00	WI	63.00

1/ Based on survey data reported by producers for entire month, except Kentucky where administrative data are used.

Prices Paid by Farmers

Definition: Prices paid by farmers represent the average costs of inputs purchased by farmers and ranchers to produce agricultural commodities. Conceptually, the average price when multiplied by quantity purchased should equal total producer expenditures for the item.

Survey Procedures: The prices paid data are obtained from establishments that sell goods and services to farmers and ranchers. Annually, about 38,500 firms are randomly selected from lists by type of item sold with an average response rate in the range of 75-80 percent. Firms are asked to report the price for the specified item "most commonly bought by farmers" or that was the "volume seller". Approximately 180 items are surveyed each April to represent all production input items purchased. The survey reference period for most items is the 5 business days centered around the 15th of the month. Separate prices paid surveys are conducted for Agricultural chemicals, fuels, feed, fertilizer, machinery, and seed. Several changes were made in the items surveyed and unit of reporting during the past year. The April 1995 publication reflects these changes.

Summary and Estimation Procedures: The Prices Paid Survey is summarized as a nonprobability survey. Average prices reported are aggregated to the region and U.S. level using weights available from expenditure data and other administrative sources. Price recommendations are prepared by the State Statistical Offices and Headquarters for review by the Agricultural Statistics Board in Washington, D.C. Also, the change in price level for individual items surveyed are combined to the regional and U.S. levels, and are published as prices paid indexes referenced to a specific base period.

Revisions: Any revisions are published in the quarterly (January, April, July, and October) and annual issues of "Agricultural Prices". The basis for revision must be supported by additional data that directly affect the level of the estimate.

Reliability: Current methods of summarization are not designed directly to calculate sampling errors. However, analytical measures approximate the U.S. relative sampling errors for major items around 10 percent. Any nonsampling errors are attributed to such things as the inability to obtain correct information, differences in interpreting questions or definitions, mistakes in coding or processing the data, etc. Efforts are made at each step in the survey process to minimize these nonsampling errors.

Program Change: Effective January 1, 1995, the National Agricultural Statistics Service updated the weights and changed the construction of its prices paid and received by farmers indexes. A Federal Register Notice dated October 28, 1994 discussed these program modifications.

A 1990-92 reference and base period replaced the 1977 reference and 1971-73 base weight period. Five-year moving average weights replaced the current fixed 1971-73 base period weights. The 1910-14=100 price indexes, required by statute for computing parity prices, were linked forward based on the changes in the new 1990-92=100 indexes. The new indexes were constructed by multiplying the ratios of the current prices to the base period prices by the moving average weights (adjusted for seasonal marketing patterns for the prices received indexes). The indexes constructed using BLS indices are the product of the change in the BLS index from the previous quarter and NASS's previous quarter index.

Index

Prices Received

U.S. Prices and Indexes	Page		Page
Narrative.....	A-2	Cows, Beef.....	A-18
Price Indexes.....	A-3	Cows, Milk.....	A-21
Prices Received		Eggs.....	A-20
U.S. Summary.....	A-6-7	Flaxseed.....	A-14
Selected Commodities..	A-12	Fruit, Citrus.....	A-16
Upland Cotton and Rice		Hay.....	A-15
Prices and Marketings.	A-15	All Hogs.....	A-19
Parity Prices.....	A-22-23	Lambs.....	A-20
Reliability Statement... A-27-28		Milk.....	A-21
		Oats.....	A-13
		Peanuts.....	A-14
		Potatoes.....	A-17
		Sheep.....	A-20
		Sorghum, Grain.....	A-13
		Soybeans.....	A-13
		Sows.....	A-19
		Steers and Heifers.....	A-18
		Sunflower.....	A-14
		Tobacco.....	A-14
		Turkeys.....	A-20
		Wheat.....	A-12
Monthly State Prices			
Apples.....	A-15		
Barley.....	A-13		
Barrows and Gilts.....	A-19		
Beans, Dry Edible.....	A-14		
Beef Cattle.....	A-18		
Broilers.....	A-20		
Calves.....	A-18		
Corn.....	A-13		
Cotton.....	A-15		
Cottonseed.....	A-15		

Special Features

Cotton, Upland: Revised Prices Received, Monthly and Marketing Year Average, by State and U.S., 1994 Marketing Year	A-24
Cotton, American-Pima: Revised Prices Received, Marketing Year Average, by State and U.S., 1993-1994	A-24
Cotton, Upland: Farm Marketings, Percent of Sales, by Month and State, 1994 Marketing Year	A-25
Cottonseed: Revised Prices Received, Monthly and Marketing Year Average, by State and U.S., August 1994 - February 1995	A-26

Index
Prices Paid

	Page
Narrative	B-1
Indexes and Parity Ratios	B-2-3
Charts	B-4-6
Feed Ratios	B-7
Reliability Statement	B-8

U.S. Average Prices:

Feeder Livestock and Poultry	B-7
------------------------------------	-----

State Average Prices:

Feeder Pigs	B-7
-------------------	-----

Report Features

The next "Agricultural Prices" report will be released at 3 p.m. ET on **November 30, 1995.**

Listed below are the commodity specialists in the Economic Statistics Branch of the National Agricultural Statistics Service to contact for additional information.

Economic Statistics Branch
Robert W. Milton, Chief (202) 720-3570

Commodity Prices Section (Prices Received)

Herb Vanderberry, Head - Prices Received Indexes (202) 720-5446
James Hand - Potatoes, Hogs, Sheep & Lambs, Milk, Wool (202) 690-3236
Gail Hanneman - Grains, Oilseeds, Hay (202) 690-0270
Joel Moore - Cattle, Cotton, Poultry (202) 690-3234
Howard Hill - Fruits, Peanuts, Tobacco, Sugar Crops (202) 720-7235
Kirby Cavett - Vegetables (202) 690-3237

Farm Inputs Section (Prices Paid)

Douglas Kleweno, Head (202) 720-4214
Daryl Brinkman - Prices Paid Indexes, Feed, Fertilizer, Pesticides, Seeds (202) 690-3226
Jim Williams - Farm Supplies and Repairs, Farm Machinery, Fuels, Feeder Livestock, Poultry Chicks, Feed Price Ratios, Grazing Fees, Autos & Trucks (202) 690-3225

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in its programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, and marital or familial status. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact the USDA Office of Communications at (202) 720-5881 (voice) or (202) 720-7808 (TDD).

To file a complaint, write the Secretary of Agriculture, USDA, Washington, D.C., 20250, or call (202) 720-7327 (voice) or (202) 720-1127 (TDD). USDA is an equal employment opportunity employer.

SUBSCRIBE TODAY!!

For your convenience, there are several ways to obtain NASS reports, data products, and services:

INTERNET ACCESS

All NASS reports are now available free of charge on the worldwide Internet. For access, connect to the Internet and select:

1. **Worldwide Web:**
<http://www.usda.gov/nass/> **OR**
2. **For Gopher/Telenet/FTP access:**
HOST=usda.mannlib.cornell.edu **OR**
3. **For a subscription direct to your e-mail address, send an e-mail message to:**
usda-reports@usda.mannlib.cornell.edu and in the body of the message type the word: lists

PRINTED REPORTS OR DATA PRODUCTS

CALL OUR TOLL-FREE ORDER DESK: 1-800-999-6779 (U.S. and Canada)

Other areas, please call 1-703-834-0125 FAX: 1-703-834-0110

(Visa, MasterCard, check, or money order acceptable for payment.)

ASSISTANCE

For **assistance** with general agricultural statistics or further information about NASS or its products or services, contact the **NASS INFORMATION HOTLINE 1-800-727-9540**, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or e-mail: **NASS@AG.GOV**.
