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Update Alert

Five pages have been changed: A-2, A-3, A-6, A-13 and A-22.

On page A-3: The All Crops Index for May 2001 was changed from 106 to 107.

The second paragraph on page A-2 has been changed to:

All Crops: The May index was 107, up 4.9 percent from April and 2.9 percent above May 2000. From April, index increases for commercial vegetables, potatoes and dry beans, food grains, and oil-bearing crops more than offset index decreases for fruits and nuts, and cotton.

On page A-6 and A-13: The All Barley price for April 2001 was changed from \$1.93 to \$2.05; the All Barley price for May 2001 was changed from \$1.77 to \$2.03.

On page A-6: The Feed Barley price for April 2001 was changed from \$1.83 to \$1.72; the Feed Barley price for May 2001 was changed from \$1.36 to \$1.75.

On page A-13: The Oats prices for April and May 2001 published for IN should have been listed for IL, not IN.

On page A-22: The April 2001 Barley price as a percent of parity changed from 30 to 32; the May 2001 Barley price as a percent of parity changed from 28 to 32.

Prices Received Index up 2 Points

The Preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received in May was 108 based on 1990-92=100, up 2 points (1.9 percent) from the April Index. Higher prices for milk, hogs, tomatoes, and broilers were partially offset by lower prices for strawberries, cattle, eggs, and corn. The seasonal change in the mix of commodities farmers sell often affects the overall index. Higher seasonal marketings of cantaloups, broilers, grapes, and peaches were partially offset by lower marketings of cattle, milk, asparagus, cotton, and hogs.

Compared with May 2000, the All Farm Products Index was 8 points (8.0 percent) higher. Price increases from May 2000 for milk, broilers, cantaloups, and cattle were partially offset by lower prices for corn, soybeans, broccoli, and lettuce.

Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The May Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) was 123 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index was unchanged from April but 4 points (3.4 percent) above May 2000. Lower prices in May for nitrogen fertilizers, complete feeds, feeder cattle, and feeder pigs were offset by higher prices for hay and forages, gasoline, and diesel fuel.

Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92=100	2000		2001	
	Apr	May	Apr	May
Prices Received	100	100	106	108
Prices Paid	119	119	123	123
Ratio 1/	84	84	86	88

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

Prices Received by Farmers

The May All Farm Products Index was 108 percent of its 1990-92 base, up 1.9 percent from the April Index and up 8.0 percent from the May 2000 index.

All Crops: The May index was 107, up 4.9 percent from April and 2.9 percent above May 2000. From April, index increases for commercial vegetables, potatoes and dry beans, food grains, and oil-bearing crops more than offset index decreases for fruits and nuts, and cotton.

Food Grains: The May index, at 96, was up 4.3 percent from the previous month and 12 percent above May 2000. The May all wheat price, at \$2.98 per bushel, was up 12 cents from April and 39 cents above May 2000. Smaller than expected May 1 winter wheat production forecast helped increase price.

Feed Grains & Hay: The May index, at 89, was unchanged from last month but 8.2 percent below May 2000. The corn price, at \$1.78 per bushel, was down 11 cents from last month and 33 cents below May 2000. Favorable weather in the Corn Belt drove prices lower. The all hay price, at \$106.00 per ton, was \$11.20 above April and \$15.00 above last May.

Oil-Bearing Crops: The May index, at 77, was up 2.7 percent from April but 17 percent below May 2000. The soybean price, at \$4.33 per bushel, increased 11 cents from April but was 86 cents below May 2000.

Potatoes and Dry Beans: The May index, at 106, was 10 percent above last month and 1.0 percent above May 2000. The all potato price, at \$6.38 per cwt, was up 67 cents from the previous month and 7 cents above last May. Robust movement of spring potatoes drove the price increase. The dry edible bean price, at \$16.80 per cwt, was 60 cents above both last month and May 2000.

Cotton: The May index, at 71, was down 1.4 percent from April and 10 percent below May 2000. The May price, at 43.1 cents per pound, was down 0.4 cents from the previous month and 4.5 cents below last May. Lower domestic mill use and larger ending stocks more than offset strong export sales.

Fruits and Nuts: The May fruit and nut index, at 95, was down 9.5 percent from the previous month but 5.6 percent above May 2000. Strawberry prices dropped as California experienced good weather and increased production levels.

Commercial Vegetables: The May index, at 154, was 8.5 percent above last month and 18 percent higher than May 2000. The tomato price, at \$33.40 per cwt, increased \$10.50 from a month ago and was \$10.40 above last May. The sweet corn price, at \$25.00 per cwt, was \$9.50 above last month and \$10.50 higher than May 2000. Cold and dry weather in Florida slowed sweet corn and tomato progress, limiting supplies.

Livestock and Products: The May index, at 110, was up 1.9 percent from last month and up 13 percent from May 2000. Compared with a year ago, prices were higher for all milk, broilers, cattle, hogs, eggs, and calves, but lower for turkeys.

Meat Animals: The May index, at 103 was down 1.0 percent from last month but up 5.1 percent from a year ago. The May hog price was \$51.40 per cwt, up \$3.60 from April and up \$3.10 from year ago. April hog slaughter was down 6 percent from last month. The May beef cattle price, at \$72.70 per cwt, was down \$2.90 from last month but up \$3.30 from April 2000. Cattle slaughter is increasing seasonally.

Dairy Products: The May index, at 118, was up 7.3 percent from April and 28 percent higher than May 2000. The May all milk price, at \$15.40 per cwt, was up \$1.00 from April and \$3.40 from last year. May prices increased for both fluid and manufacturing grade milk. Cheese prices increased the first two weeks of May.

Poultry and Eggs: The May index, at 115, was down 0.9 percent from April but 13 percent above a year ago. The May broiler price, at 40.0 cents per pound, was up 1.0 cent from April. Broiler placements in recent weeks and year-to-date have been down slightly from a year earlier. Market egg prices decreased 13.4 cents per dozen from April to 35.8 cents. April table egg production was up 2 percent from last year and post Easter consumption and demand down. Turkey prices increased 0.5 cents in April to 38.3 cents per pound. Stocks of total frozen turkeys were down 5 percent at the end of April compared with last year while placements for the marketing year were up 2 percent.

Index Numbers of Prices Received, United States, May 2001,
with Comparisons

Index	1910-14=100				1990-92=100			
	2000		2001		2000		2001	
	May	Apr	May	May	Apr	May		
All Farm Products	639	636	*671	688	100	*106	108	
All Crops	500	511	*505	525	104	*102	107	
Food Grains	325	273	*291	306	86	*92	96	
Feed Grains & Hay	363	347	*319	319	97	*89	89	
Cotton	517	402	*368	364	79	72	71	
Tobacco	1263	1365	*1235		90	*82		
Oil-Bearing Crops	554	507	*412	422	93	75	77	
Fruit & Nuts	716	631	*735	666	90	*105	95	
Commercial Vegetables	698	876	*946	1029	131	*142	154	
Potatoes & Dry Beans	540	530	*486	538	105	*96	106	
Other Crops	493	532	532	532	108	108	108	
Livestock & Products	768	745	*831	843	97	*108	110	
Meat Animals	1021	991	*1053	1043	98	104	103	
Dairy Products	799	737	885	946	92	110	118	
Poultry & Eggs	282	287	326	324	102	116	115	
Food Commodities					100	*108	111	

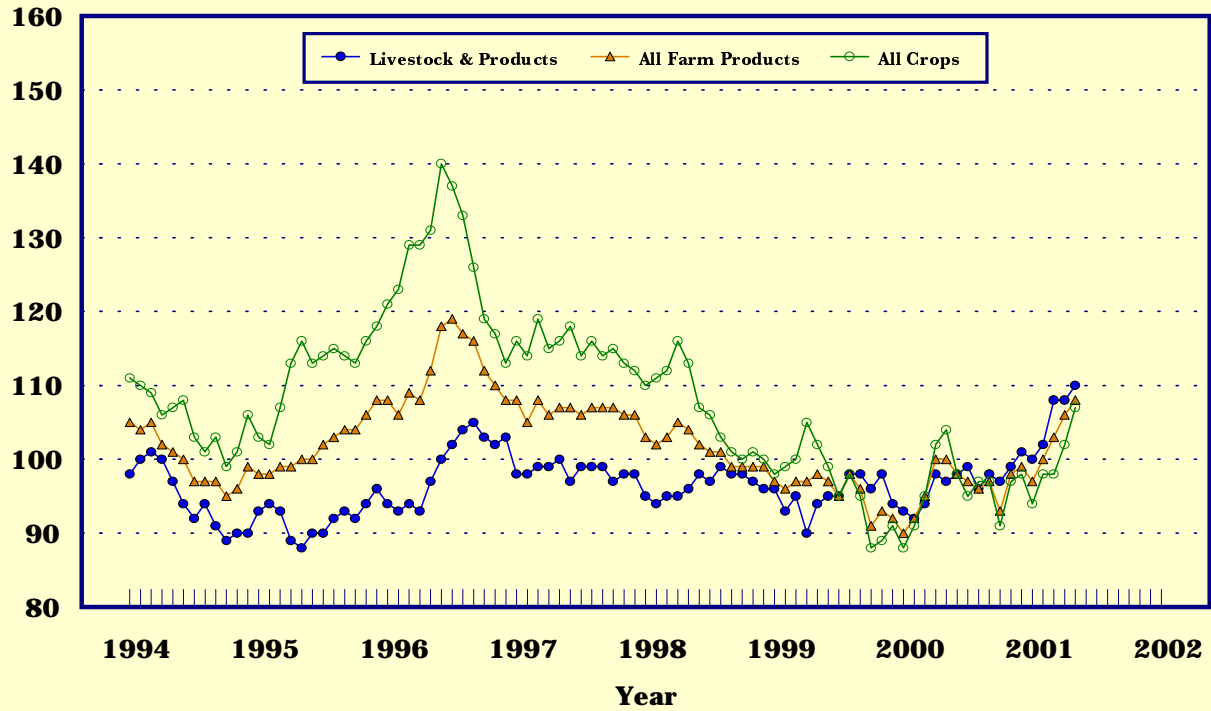
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Selected Index Numbers for Prices Received and Paid,
1990-92=100, by Months, United States, 2000 and 2001

Month	Index of Prices Received				Index of Prices Paid					
	All Farm Products		All Crops		Livestock and Products		All Items		Production Items	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
Jan	90	97	88	94	93	100	118	124	114	120
Feb	92	100	91	98	92	102	119	124	115	120
Mar	95	103	95	98	94	108	119	123	115	119
Apr	100	106	102	102	98	108	119	123	116	120
May	100	108	104	107	97	110	119	123	116	119
Jun	98		98		98		120		116	
Jul	97		95		99		120		116	
Aug	96		97		96		119		115	
Sep	97		97		98		120		116	
Oct	93		91		97		121		117	
Nov	98		97		99		121		118	
Dec	99		98		101		122		118	

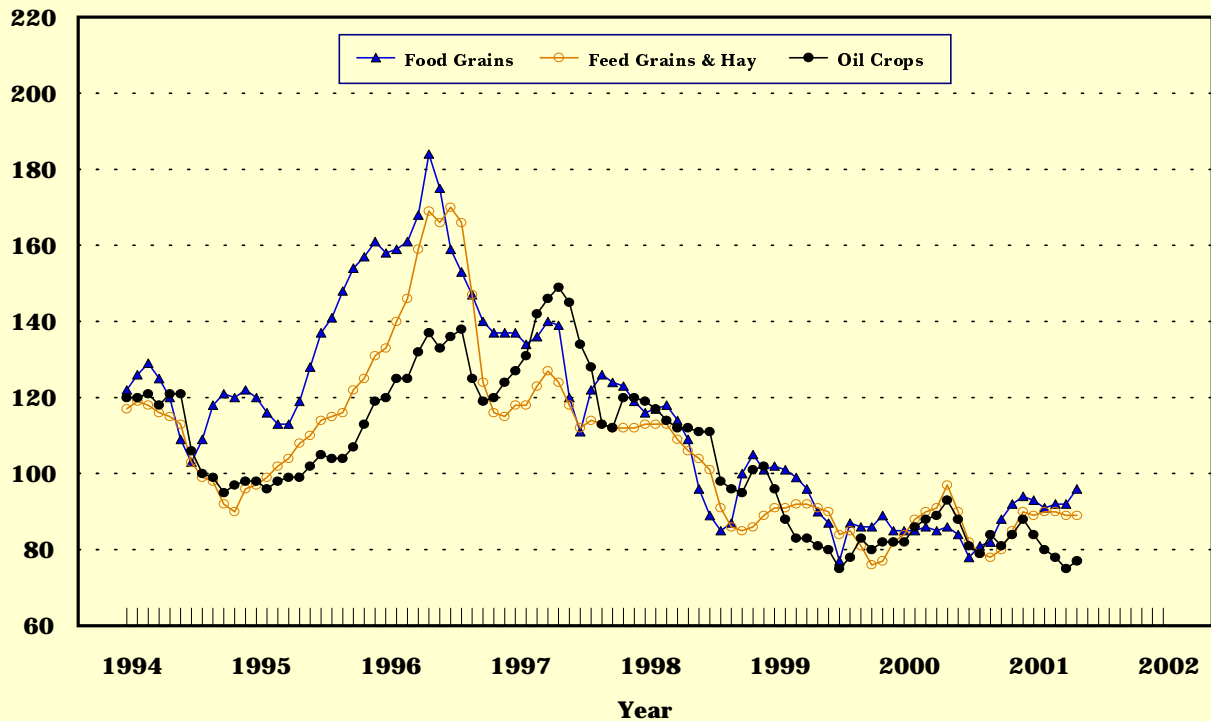
Prices Received, Major Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



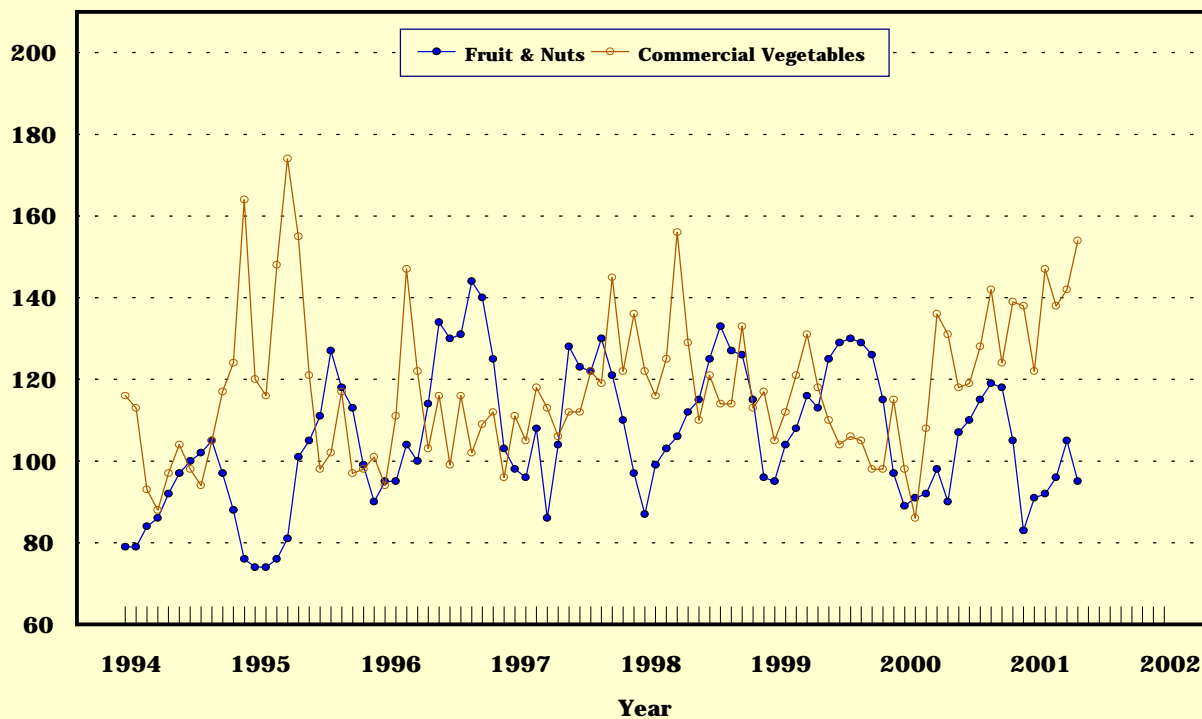
Prices Received, Food, Feed & Oil Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



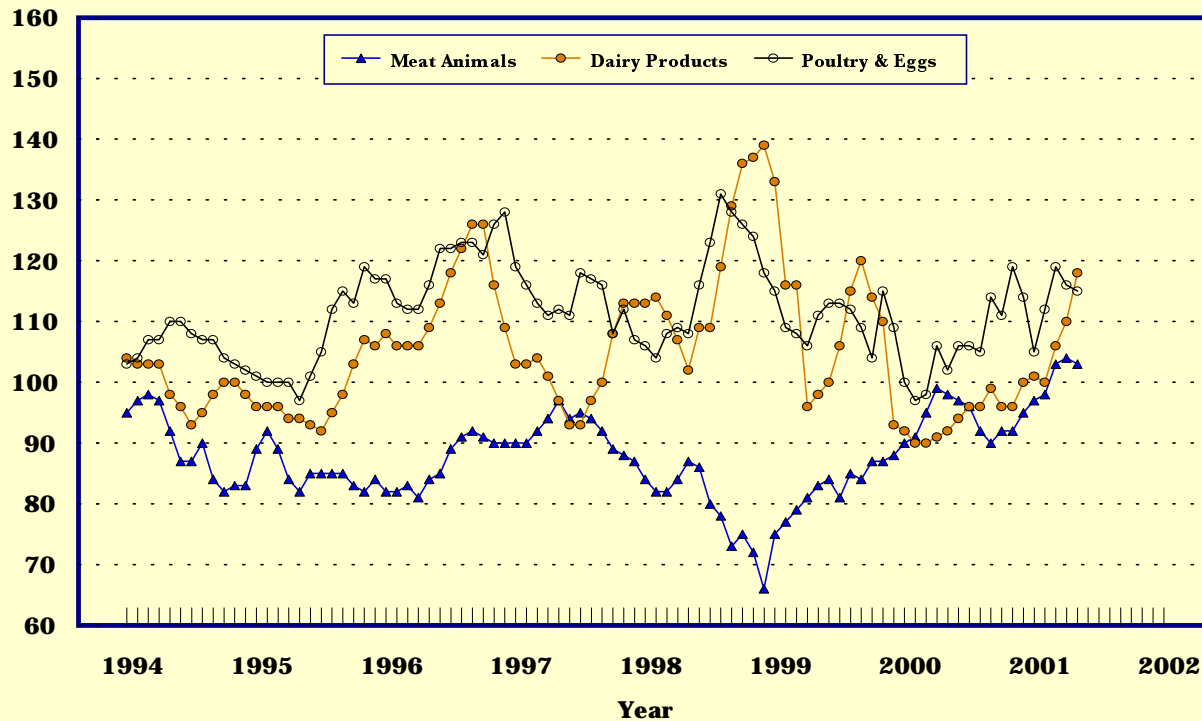
Prices Received, Fruit/Vegetable Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



Prices Received, Livestock Product Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



Prices Received, United States,
May 2001, with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			May 2000	Apr 2001	May 2001
Dollars					
Field Crops					
Barley, All	Bu	2.12	2.19	2.05	2.03
Feed	Bu	1.90	1.94	1.72	1.75
Malting	Bu	2.43	2.46	2.35	2.33
Beans, Dry Edible	Cwt	19.10	16.20	16.20	16.80
Corn	Bu	2.30	2.11	1.89	1.78
Cotton, Upland	Lb	.606	.476	.435	.431
Cottonseed	Ton	96.00			
Flaxseed	Bu	4.27	3.77	3.67	3.84
Hay, All, Baled 1/	Ton	76.30	91.00	94.80	106.00
Alfalfa 1/	Ton	77.20	95.00	100.00	113.00
Other 1/	Ton	60.00	72.70	74.20	76.60
Oats	Bu	1.22	1.31	1.28	1.29
Peanuts, In-Shell	Lb	.304			
Potatoes	Cwt	5.82	6.31	5.71	6.38
Rice, Rough	Cwt	7.07	5.63	5.59	5.67
Sorghum Grain	Cwt	3.75	3.33	3.06	3.15
Soybeans	Bu	5.61	5.19	4.22	4.33
Sunflower 2/	Cwt	9.50	9.63	7.65	7.46
Tobacco	Lb	1.740		1.420	
Wheat, All	Bu	2.96	2.59	2.86	2.98
Winter	Bu	2.93	2.44	2.77	2.94
Durum	Bu	2.86	3.02	2.52	2.53
Other Spring	Bu	3.11	2.92	3.05	3.13
Hard Red Winter	Bu		2.40	2.80	
Soft Red Winter	Bu		2.23	2.30	
Hard Red Spring	Bu		2.98	3.06	
White	Bu	3.24	2.62	2.89	
Fruit					
Citrus-Equiv on-tree					
Grapefruit	Box	5.77	2.86	1.36	1.94
Lemons	Box	10.10	4.48	4.31	6.03
Limes 3/	Box	10.15			
Oranges	Box	5.79	4.67	5.02	4.80
Tangelos	Box	5.82			
Tangerines	Box	15.11	7.45	10.98	13.33
Temples	Box	6.23			
Non-citrus					
Apples, Fresh 4/	Lb	.212	.178	.158	.154
Grapes, Fresh 4/	Ton	506.00	900.00		
Peaches, Fresh 4/	Lb	.216	.408		.410
Pears, Fresh 4/	Ton	370.00	239.00	304.00	364.00
Strawberries, Fresh	Lb	.560	.461	.757	.505

1/ Mid-month price.

2/ KS, MN, ND and SD average.

3/ Current prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

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

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Prices Received, United States,
May 2001, with Comparisons (continued)

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			May 2000	Apr 2001	May 2001
Dollars					
Vegetables, Fresh 1/					
Asparagus	Cwt	79.80	120.00	145.00	109.00
Broccoli	Cwt	22.50	44.30	26.90	27.20
Cantaloupes 2/	Cwt	13.90	16.60		36.40
Carrots	Cwt	13.20	13.80	17.30	17.30
Cauliflower	Cwt	26.80	46.00	47.10	28.70
Celery	Cwt	11.60	25.60	19.10	22.70
Corn, Sweet	Cwt	15.70	14.50	15.50	25.00
Cucumbers 2/	Cwt		17.70	31.80	17.60
Lettuce	Cwt	11.90	23.60	21.60	21.50
Onions	Cwt	12.80	13.10	21.00	19.80
Snap Beans 2/	Cwt		35.10	60.20	54.10
Tomatoes	Cwt	32.30	23.00	22.90	33.40
Livestock					
Calves	Cwt	94.30	107.00	111.00	112.00
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt	72.90	69.40	75.60	72.70
Cows	Cwt	49.60	38.90	43.30	43.40
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	77.10	73.20	79.60	76.20
Milk Cows 3/	Head	1130.00		1390.00	
Hogs, All	Cwt	47.70	48.30	47.80	51.40
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	48.40	48.80	48.30	52.10
Sows	Cwt	39.50	39.80	39.50	39.60
Lambs	Cwt	56.20	96.40	85.20	
Sheep	Cwt	23.40	30.50	34.90	
Dairy and Poultry					
Milk, All 4/	Cwt	13.06	12.00	14.40	5/15.40
Fluid Grade	Cwt	13.10	12.10	14.50	5/15.40
Mfg Grade	Cwt	11.80	10.10	12.90	5/13.90
Broilers, Live 6/	Lb	.317	.340	.390	.400
Eggs, All 7/	Doz	.643	.520	.665	.553
Market 7/	Doz	.546	.321	.492	.358
Turkeys, Live 6/7/	Lb	.380	.408	.378	.383
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation					
Eggs, All	Doz	.545	.531	.633	.582
Milk, All 4/	Cwt	9.71	12.50	15.16	16.21

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. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

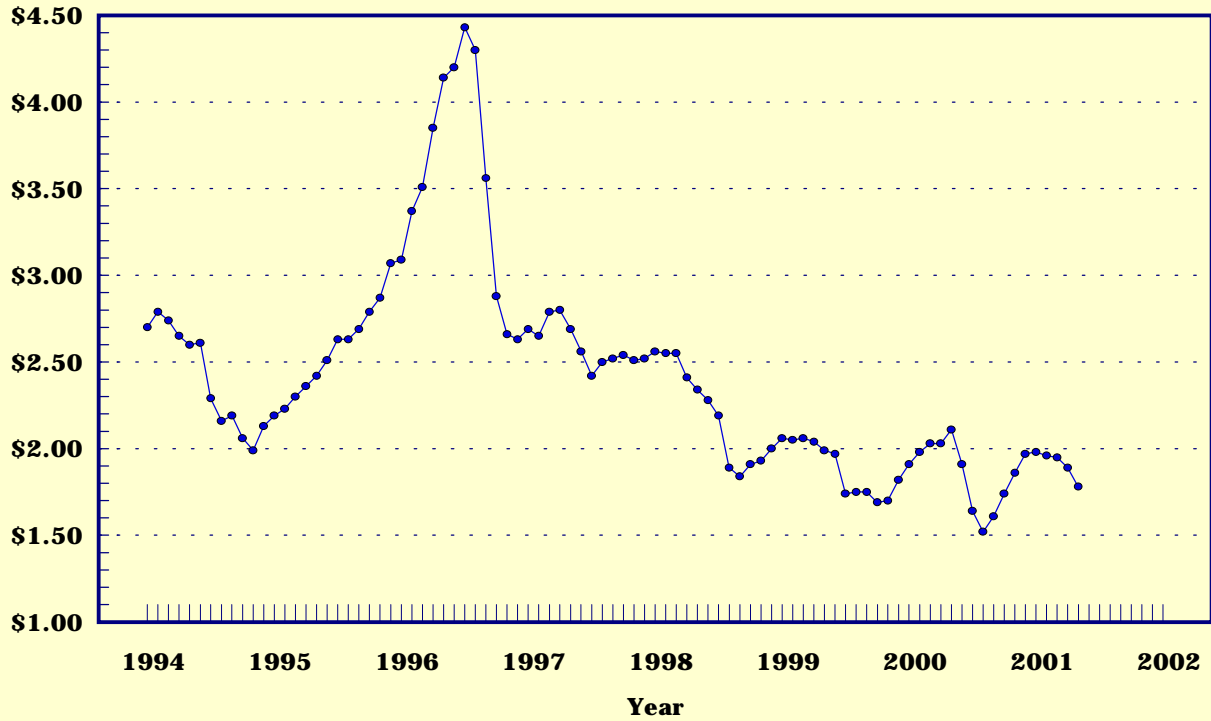
5/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.62, fluid milk 3.61, mfg grade 3.75.

6/ Liveweight equivalent price.

7/ Mid-month price.

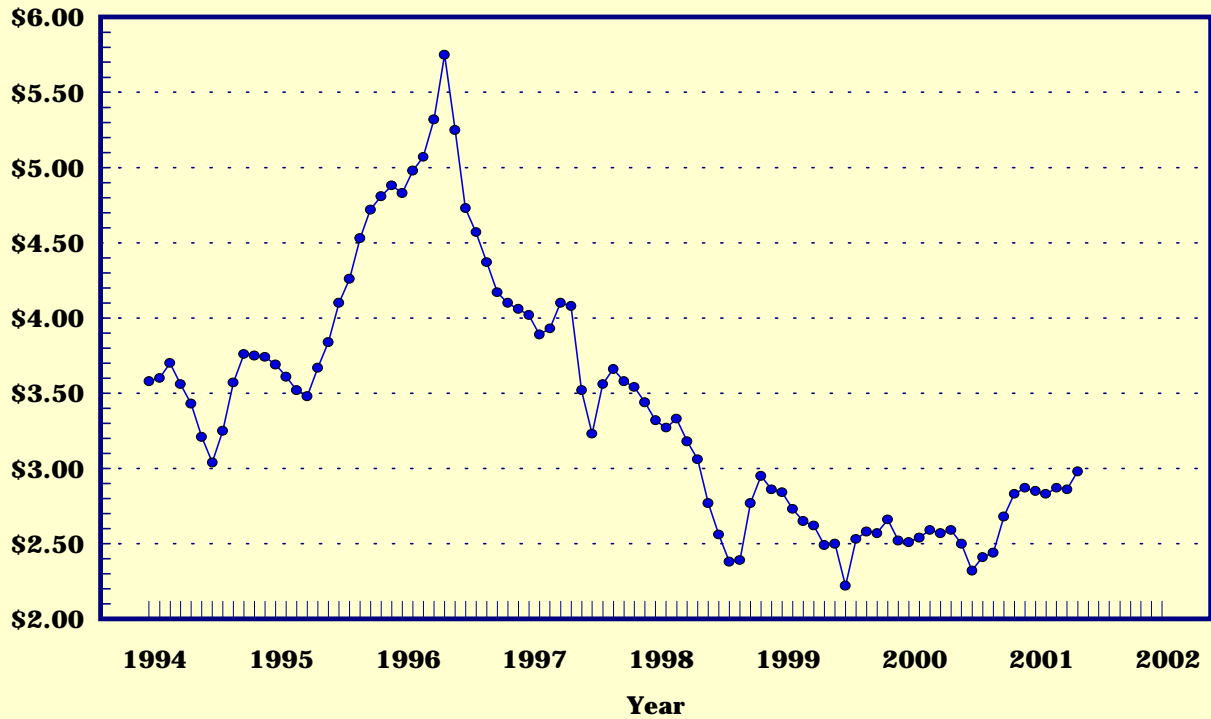
Prices Received, Corn, US

Dollars per Bu



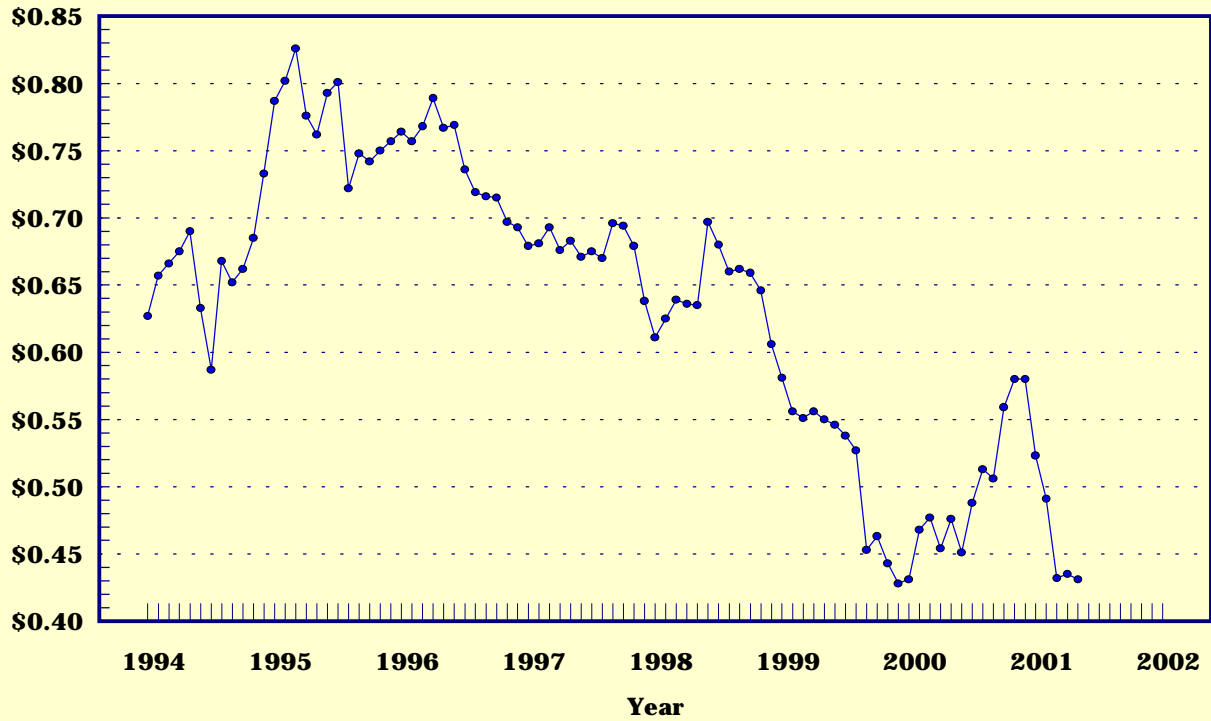
Prices Received, Wheat, US

Dollars per Bu



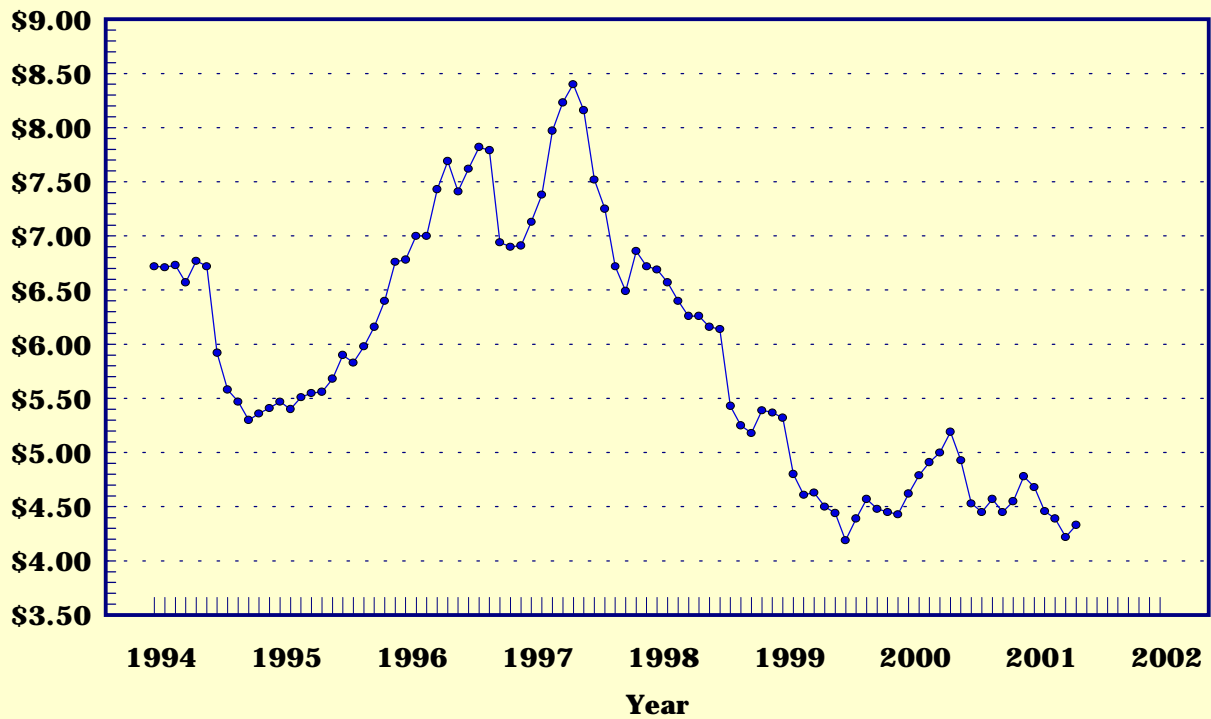
Prices Received, Cotton, US

Dollars per Lb



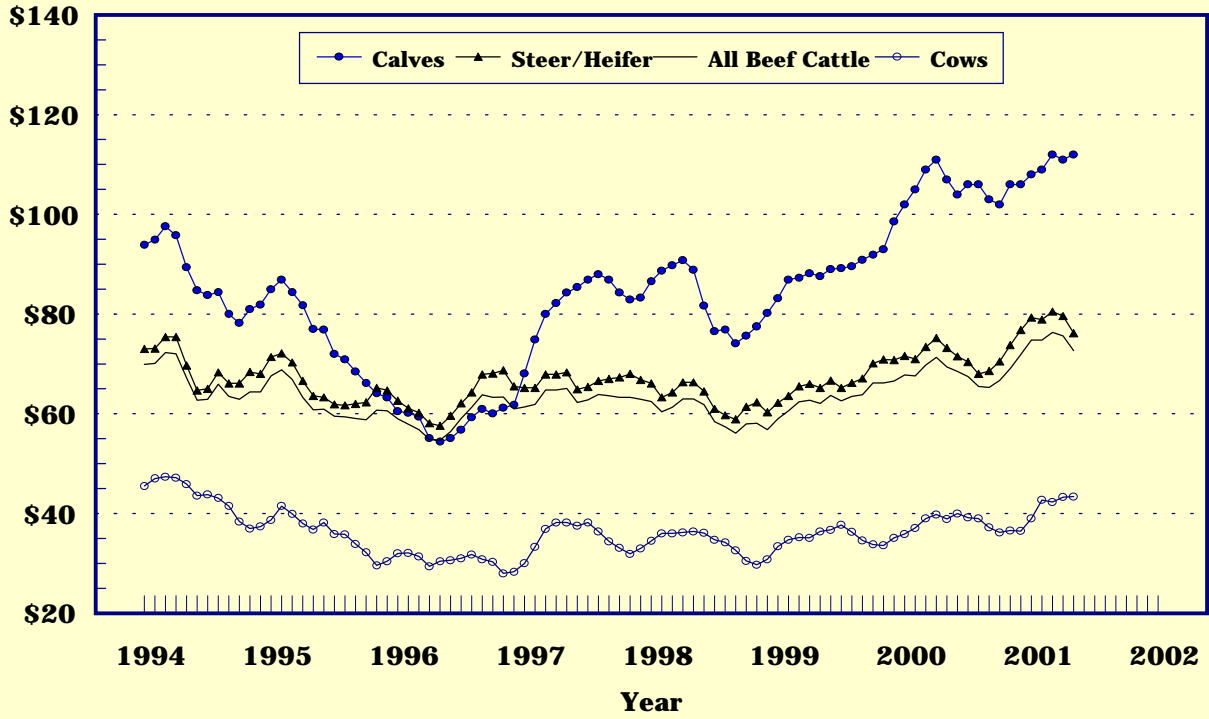
Prices Received, Soybeans, US

Dollars per Bu



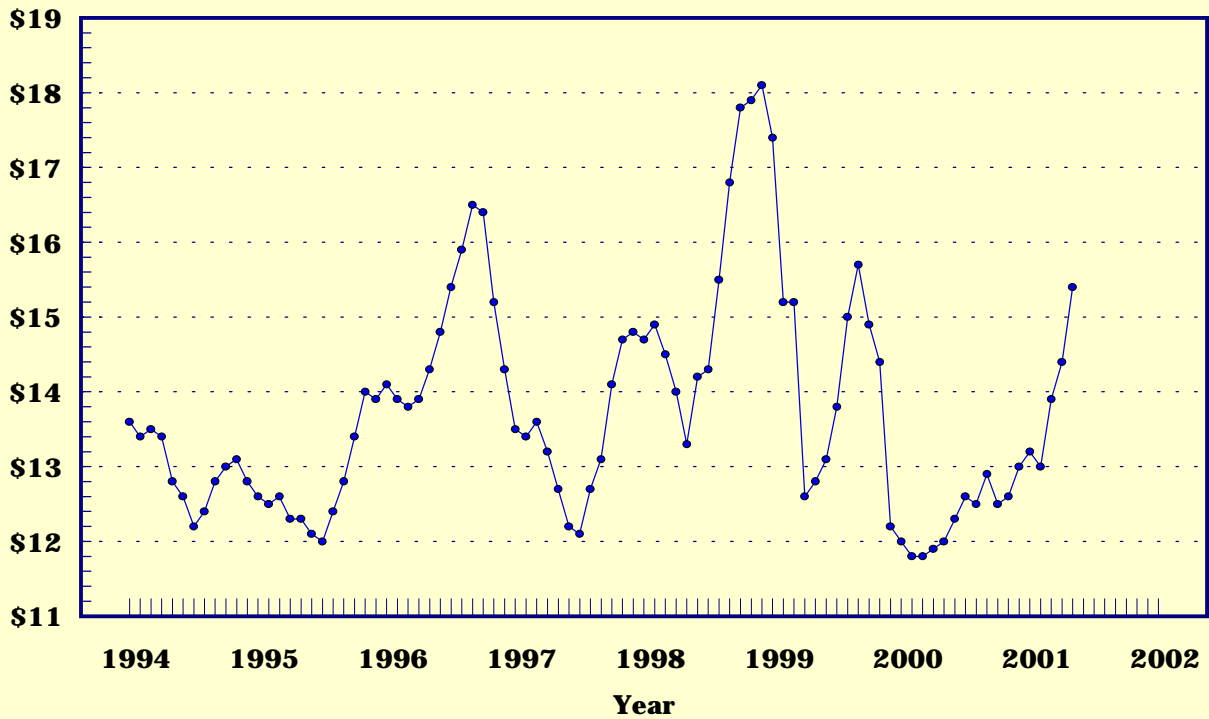
Prices Received, Cattle, US

Dollars per Cwt



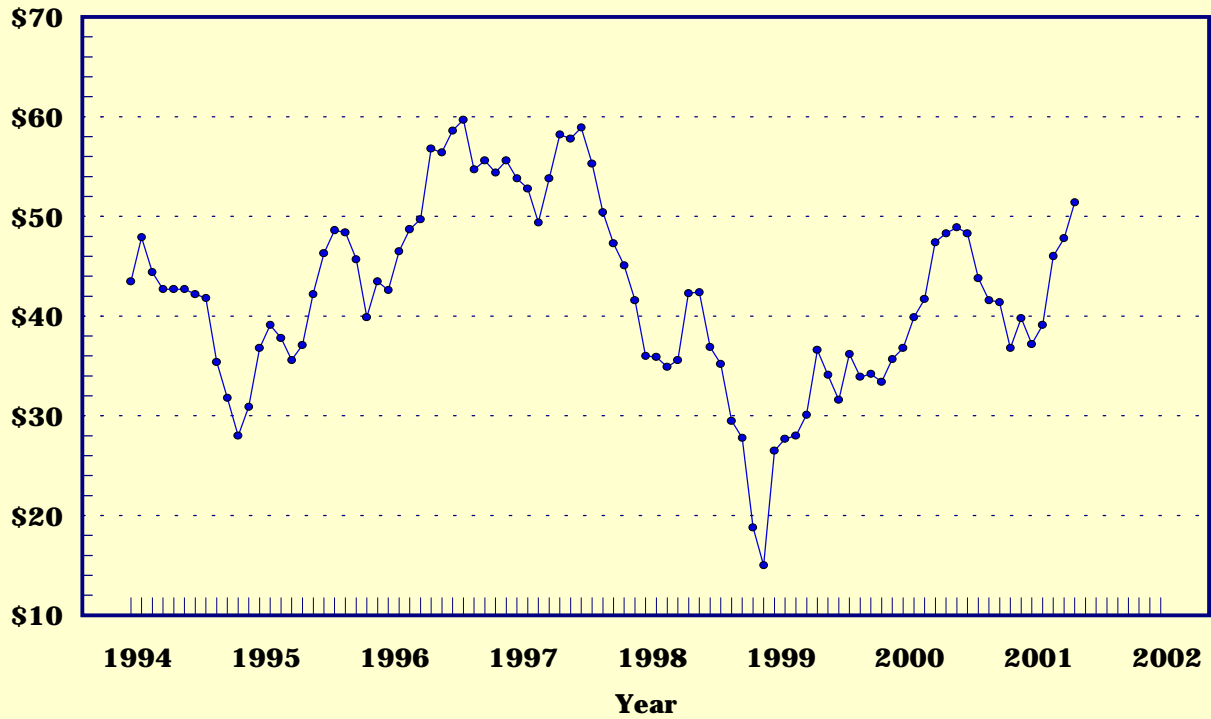
Prices Received, Milk, US

Dollars per Cwt



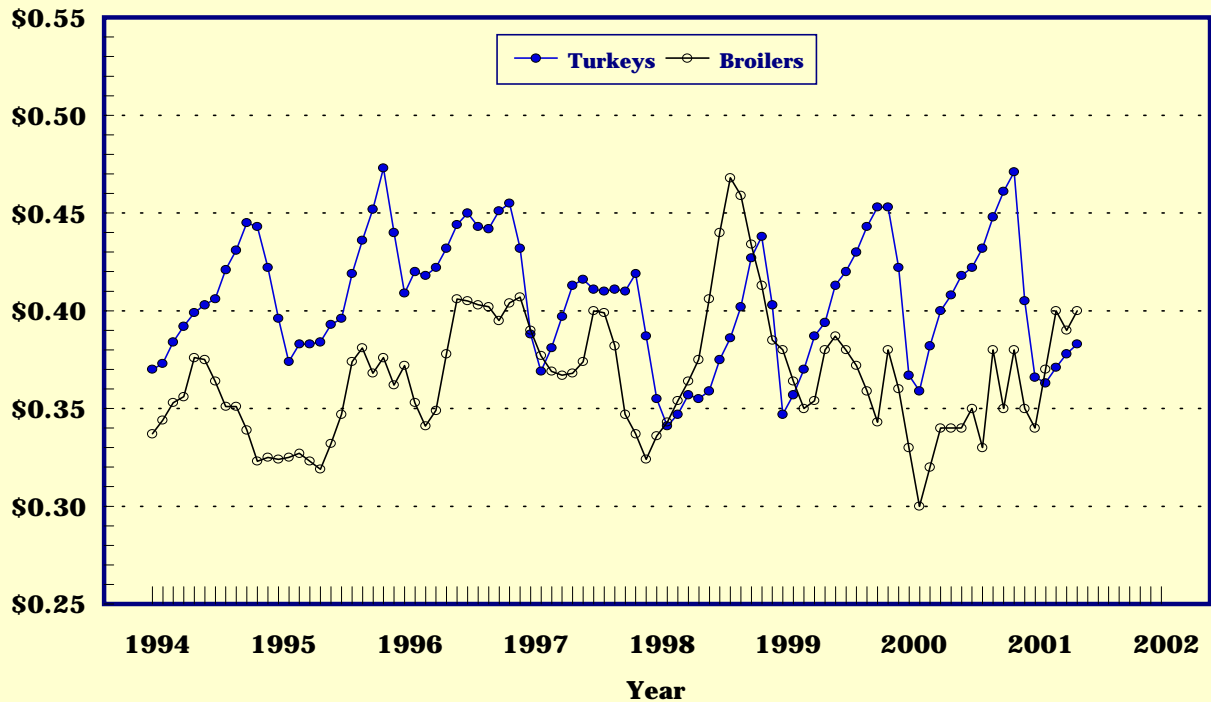
Prices Received, Hogs, US

Dollars per Cwt



Prices Received, Turkeys & Broilers, US

Dollars per Lb



Wheat: Prices Received, by States, April and May 2001

State	All Wheat		Winter Wheat		Durum Wheat		Oth Spring Wheat	
	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 2/
	Dollars per Bushel							
AR	2.45	2.54	2.45	2.54				
CA	3/	3/	3.13	3.13	4/	4/		
CO	2.93	3.00	2.93	3.00			2.52	4/
ID	3.08	3.08	2.91	2.95			3.21	3.25
IL	2.18	2.40	2.18	2.40				
IN	2.00	2.32	2.00	2.32				
KS	2.71	3.02	2.71	3.02				
MI	2.36	2.35	2.36	2.35				
MN	3.03	3.20	3/	3/	4/	4/	3.03	3.20
MO	2.29	2.40	2.29	2.40				
MT	3.13	3.30	3.00	3.10	2.87	3.30	3.26	3.45
NE	2.88	3.00	2.88	3.00				
ND	2.80	2.76	2.56	2.50	2.45	2.35	2.92	2.90
OH	2.33	2.35	2.33	2.35				
OK	2.86	3.02	2.86	3.02				
OR	3.10	3.12	3.09	3.10			3.16	3.25
SD	2.89	3.00	2.78	2.85	3/	4/	3.01	3.17
TX	2.68	2.86	2.68	2.86				
WA	3.06	3.20	2.96	3.15			3.36	3.44
US	2.86	2.98	2.77	2.94	2.52	2.53	3.05	3.13

1/ Entire month.

2/ Mid-month.

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

4/ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

Prices Received for Selected Agricultural Commodities, by Months, United States, 2000 and 2001

Month	All Wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef Cattle 1/		All Hogs	
	2000	2001 2/	2000	2001 2/	2000	2001 2/	2000	2001 2/	2000	2001 2/
	Dollars per Bushel						Dollars per Cwt			
Jan	2.51	2.85	1.91	1.98	4.62	4.68	67.80	74.80	36.80	37.20
Feb	2.54	2.83	1.98	1.96	4.79	4.46	67.60	74.80	39.90	39.10
Mar	2.59	2.87	2.03	1.95	4.91	4.39	69.80	76.30	41.70	46.00
Apr	2.57	2.86	2.03	1.89	5.00	4.22	71.30	75.60	47.40	47.80
May	2.59	2.98	2.11	1.78	5.19	4.33	69.40	72.70	48.30	51.40
Jun	2.50		1.91		4.93		68.50		48.90	
Jul	2.32		1.64		4.53		67.50		48.30	
Aug	2.41		1.52		4.45		65.50		43.80	
Sep	2.44		1.61		4.57		65.30		41.60	
Oct	2.68		1.74		4.45		66.70		41.40	
Nov	2.83		1.86		4.55		69.10		36.80	
Dec	2.87		1.97		4.78		71.90		39.80	

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, April and May 2001

State	Barley 1/		Corn		Oats		Soybeans		Sorghum Grain	
	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/
----- Dollars per Bushel ----- Dollars per Cwt -----										
AL										
AR							4.24	4.48	3.66	3.71
CA	5/	5/								
CO	2.07	1.97	2.11	1.94						
GA			4/	2.30			4/	4.08		
ID	2.69	2.72								
IL			1.92	1.85	1.45	1.40	4.31	4.50		3.40
IN			1.98	1.82			4.25	4.44		
IA			1.83	1.70	1.57	1.30	4.19	4.30		
KS			2.02	1.86			4.01	4.25	2.89	3.15
KY			2.08	1.95			4.38	4.45		
LA							4.30	4.37		
MI			1.90	1.80	1.29	1.30	4.29	4.30		
MN	1.73	1.74	1.77	1.65	1.16	1.15	4.12	4.15		
MS							4.29	4.37		
MO			1.90	1.80			4.21	4.35	3.47	3.25
MT	2.10	2.04			1.03	1.00				
NE			1.95	1.80	1.49	1.50	4.10	4.15	3.35	3.20
NC			2.32	2.20			4.34	4.35		
ND	1.65	1.62			.98	.97				
OH			1.89	1.85	1.58	1.60	4.30	4.30		
OK									3.18	3.03
OR	2.11	1.95			1.40					
PA			2.28	2.22	1.54	1.45				
SD	2.19	2.08	1.68	1.50	1.24	1.28	4.01	4.02		
TN			2.29	2.25			4.42	4.40		
TX			2.16	2.06	4/	4/			3.56	3.07
UT	2.13	2.17								
WA	1.91	1.96								
WI			1.86	1.75	1.20	1.10	4.25	4.30		
WY	1.86	1.90								
US	2.05	2.03	1.89	1.78	1.28	1.29	4.22	4.33	3.06	3.15

- 1/ The Three-State (MN, ND and SD) Feed Barley price for May 2001 is \$1.40.
- 2/ Entire month.
- 3/ Mid-month.
- 4/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.
- 5/ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

Malting and Feed Barley: Prices Received Selected States, April and May 2001

State	Malting Barley		Feed Barley	
	Apr	May	Apr	May
----- Dollars per Bushel -----				
ID	1/	1/	1.96	1.95
MN	1.79	1.80	1.43	1.45
MT	2.77	2.80	1.80	1.70
ND	1.84	1.80	1.45	1.40
SD	2.22	2.19	2/	2/
WY	1/	1/	1.86	1.90

- 1/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.
- 2/ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

Field Crops: Prices Received, by States, April and May 2001

State	Dry Edible Beans	Sunflower	Flaxseed	Tobacco	3/	Peanuts	5/
	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 4/	Apr 1/
	May 4/						
	Dollars per Cwt		Dollars per Bu		Dollars per Pound		
AL							
CA	26.80	26.80					
CO	15.50	15.60					
FL							
GA							
ID	17.20	17.20					
IN							
KS			6/	6/			
KY							
MD					1.420		
MI	11.90	13.00					
MN	16.00	16.70	8.67	8.70			
MO							
NE	15.20	15.10					
NC							
ND	11.20	11.80	8.20	8.04	3.69	3.85	
OH							
OK							
SC							
SD			6.46	6.68	6/	6/	
TN							
TX							
VA							
WV							
US	16.20	16.80	7.65	7.46	3.67	3.84	1.420

- 1/ Entire month.
- 2/ Mid-month.
- 3/ Marketing year July - April.
- 4/ Based on sales through first half of month.
- 5/ Marketing year Aug - Jan.
- 6/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

Field Crops and Apples: Prices Received, by States,
April and May 2001

State	Cotton, Upland		May			Apples Fresh Use 1/4/
	Apr 1/	May 2/	Cotton- seed 5/	Hay, Baled 3/ All	Alfalfa Other	
	Dollars per Pound		Dollars per Ton			Dol/Lb
AL	6/	6/				
AZ	6/	6/	101.00	101.00	92.00	
AR	.513	.513				
CA	.423	6/	126.00	129.00	92.00	
CO			108.00	109.00	99.00	
GA	.496	.484				
ID			93.00	93.00	81.00	
IL			85.00	90.00	66.00	
IA			91.00	91.00	63.00	
KS			90.00	92.00	62.00	
KY			84.00	100.00	58.00	
LA	.498	.513				
MI			63.00	65.00	50.00	.135
MN			61.00	69.00	45.00	
MS	.512	.502				
MO			76.00	109.00	65.00	
MT			92.00	94.00	86.00	
NE			80.00	82.00	75.00	
NV			99.00	99.00	100.00	
NM			124.00	126.00	103.00	
NY			100.00	105.00	95.00	.158
NC	.415	.420				
ND			44.00	48.00	32.00	
OH			98.00	115.00	45.00	.230
OK			82.00	98.00	58.00	
OR			98.00	104.00	83.00	
PA			101.00	116.00	92.00	
SD			70.00	73.00	50.00	
TN	.513	.444				
TX	.400	.402	86.00	143.00	66.00	
UT			92.00	92.00	57.00	
VA						
WA			111.00	96.00	147.00	.155
WI			46.00	55.00	30.00	
WY			103.00	105.00	100.00	
US	.435	.431	106.00	113.00	76.60	.154

1/ Entire month. 2/ Based on sales during the first half of the month.
3/ Mid-month. 4/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA,MI,NY and WA.
Price at point of first sale for other states. 5/ Marketing year
August-February. 6/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of
individual firms.

Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,
United States, May 2001, with Comparisons

Item	Unit	Mar 2001 1/	Apr 2001 1/	May 2001 2/
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars/Pound	.432	.435	.431
Marketings 3/	1,000 Bales	943	776	NA
Rice				
Average Price	Dollars/Cwt	5.55	5.59	5.67
Marketings 4/	1,000 Cwt	11549	11074	NA

1/ Entire month. 2/ Based on purchases for the first half of the month.
3/ Expanded data from sample of about 60 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, May 2001

Commodity And State	:	Equivalent Returns						
		F.O.B.	Packinghouse-door			On-tree		
		Fresh	All	Fresh	Process	All	Fresh	Process
Dollars per Box 1/								
Grapefruit	:							
AZ	:	12.30	5.84	6.86	0.28	3.90	4.92	-1.66
CA	:	17.80	12.28	12.36	0.28	10.34	10.42	-1.66
FL	:	14.70	3.29	6.87	2.87	0.96	4.87	0.51
White	:	12.90	3.01	4.20	3.00	0.71	2.20	0.70
Colored	:	14.80	3.74	7.00	2.60	1.36	5.00	0.10
TX	:	12.20	1.40	2.60	0.60	0.28	1.45	-0.50
US	:	15.40	4.04	8.27	2.58	1.94	6.50	0.38
Lemons	:							
CA	:	28.70	9.67	20.26	1.12	6.03	16.62	-2.52
US	:	28.70	9.67	20.26	1.12	6.03	16.62	-2.52
Oranges	:							
AZ	:							
Valencia	:	14.40	8.50	8.50		6.42	6.42	
CA	:	20.10	12.99	14.16	0.44	10.95	12.12	-1.59
Navel and Misc	:	23.70	15.86	17.68	0.04	13.88	15.70	-1.94
Valencia	:	17.70	11.00	11.80	0.84	8.92	9.72	-1.24
FL	:							
Valencia	:	13.20	5.90	5.80	5.90	4.00	3.80	4.00
TX	:	13.30	3.23	3.55	2.12	1.94	2.25	0.87
Early and Mids	:	11.30	1.60	1.60		0.30	0.30	
Valencia	:	13.70	3.51	4.00	2.12	2.22	2.70	0.87
US	:	19.00	6.72	12.80	5.84	4.80	10.77	3.93
Tangerines	:							
FL	:	34.50	16.88	25.80	2.00	13.33	22.40	-1.80
US	:	34.50	16.88	25.80	2.00	13.33	22.40	-1.80

1/ Net lbs. per box: Grapefruit-AZ & CA-67, FL-85, TX-80; Lemons-76;
Oranges-AZ & CA-75, FL-90, TX-85; Tangerines-FL-95.

Potatoes: Prices Received, by States,
April and May 2001

State	Apr	May	State	Apr	May
	: Dollars per Cwt			: Dollars per Cwt	
AL			NC		
AZ		16.20	ND - All 1/	5.80	6.20
CA - All	14.80	15.10	- Fresh 2/	5.50	NA
- Winter	18.90		- Processing	5.30	NA
- Spring		17.50	OH	7.10	
- Summer			OR	4.80	4.85
- Fall	5.30	5.25	PA	8.90	7.60
CO - All 1/	2.70	2.35	TX		8.70
- Fresh 2/	2.13	NA	VA		
FL	15.00	10.20	WA - All	4.35	4.20
ID - All 1/	4.15	4.00	- Processing	4.50	NA
- Fresh 2/	2.00	NA	WI - All 1/	5.65	4.45
- Processing	4.40	NA	- Fresh 2/	2.35	NA
ME	6.90	6.65	- Processing	6.75	NA
MI	8.25	8.50			
MN	5.05	4.75	US - All 1/	5.71	6.38
NY	8.20		- Fresh 2/	6.00	NA
			- Processing	5.40	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, April and May 2001

State	Cows 1/		Steers & Heifers:		Beef Cattle 4/		Calves	
	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/	Apr 2/	May 3/
	Dollars per Cwt							
AZ	48.70	47.00	77.30	74.60	77.00	74.30	107.00	107.00
AR	42.20	42.20	86.90	81.60	68.60	67.80	102.00	100.00
CA	41.50	40.50	79.50	77.00	58.20	56.90	99.50	97.00
CO	45.20	45.90	79.30	76.50	76.50	74.40	111.00	112.00
FL	44.10	44.00	86.00	84.00	50.40	50.00	110.00	105.00
GA	43.90	42.70	84.10	83.80	59.80	57.90	103.00	100.00
ID	41.10	39.90	78.30	74.60	69.40	66.30	102.00	98.00
IL	43.80	44.60	80.60	79.00	79.90	78.30	118.00	117.00
IA	43.10	44.50	81.70	77.70	80.90	77.00	102.00	108.00
KS	42.20	43.30	80.00	76.20	78.50	74.90	112.00	110.00
KY	44.00	44.00	85.00	84.00	75.20	74.40	102.00	99.00
LA	41.90	41.00	85.60	83.00	54.60	54.00	102.00	99.00
MI	44.50	43.50	71.50	70.00	63.40	62.10	128.00	115.00
MN	45.90	47.00	76.40	75.00	70.90	70.00	104.00	105.00
MO	42.40	45.00	92.60	90.70	80.10	79.30	109.00	105.00
MT	44.60	45.40	87.20	86.60	78.30	68.50	105.00	103.00
NE	42.30	43.00	77.70	73.70	76.60	72.80	111.00	110.00
NM	47.30	46.40	88.20	85.60	74.30	72.30	110.00	105.00
ND	44.20	45.00	86.30	85.50	78.70	67.30	98.00	95.00
OH	41.90	43.00	80.00	79.00	76.20	75.40	105.00	105.00
OK	43.70	43.40	89.60	85.60	84.50	81.00	109.00	104.00
OR	42.20	42.70	85.30	84.10	72.40	71.70	97.40	95.10
PA	44.10	44.70	76.20	75.10	67.90	67.20	117.00	117.00
SD	42.90	43.70	84.90	84.50	79.50	77.20	109.00	109.00
TN	42.00	42.00	87.00	86.00	69.00	68.40	103.00	99.00
TX	42.20	41.60	81.80	78.90	78.60	75.90	110.00	115.00
VA	37.10	40.70	79.70	80.00	69.90	65.10	97.80	94.40
WI	43.70	45.00	77.20	74.30	57.80	57.30	138.00	137.00
WY	44.20	46.50	85.30	83.50	80.40	76.10	106.00	101.00
US	43.30	43.40	79.60	76.20	75.60	72.70	111.00	112.00

- 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, April and May 2001

State	Sows		Barrows and Gilts		All Hogs	
	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 2/	Apr 1/	May 2/
	Dollars per Cwt					
AR	40.30	39.80	45.10	46.30	44.60	45.70
IL	39.10	40.10	49.40	53.40	48.60	52.30
IN	39.80	41.80	48.40	51.40	47.60	50.40
IA	42.50	40.90	49.30	54.40	49.20	54.30
KS	41.50	39.90	46.70	49.30	46.00	48.00
MI	38.00	38.00	46.00	48.00	45.40	47.20
MN	42.30	41.00	48.60	53.50	48.30	53.00
MO	37.40	37.90	45.70	48.00	45.20	47.40
NE	41.00	40.50	49.20	51.00	49.00	50.80
NC	38.80	38.90	48.30	53.10	48.20	53.00
OH	40.70	41.00	48.10	50.00	47.50	49.60
OK	38.80	37.80	44.20	48.10	43.40	46.60
PA	37.50	39.00	45.10	46.90	44.00	45.70
SD	37.90	35.60	49.80	53.50	48.60	51.50
TX	34.00	34.30	42.40	43.10	41.30	42.00
WI	36.40	37.60	44.20	46.60	43.20	45.40
US	39.50	39.60	48.30	52.10	47.80	51.40

1/ Entire month.
 2/ Mid-month.

Sheep and Poultry: Prices Received, by States,
April and May 2001

State	April		May	
	Sheep 1/	Lambs 1/	Turkeys 2/3/	Eggs 2/4/
	---- Dollars per Cwt ----		Dollars per Pound	Dol/Doz
AL				.380
AR			.39	.280
CA	31.50	78.00	.46	.350
CO	32.50	80.50		
CT				.460
DE				
FL				.400
GA				.353
ID	38.00	77.00		
IN			.37	.400
IA	32.50	83.10		.280
KS	30.70	77.00		
ME				.530
MD				
MI				.320
MN	27.10	83.30	.35	.350
MS				.440
MO			.39	.270
MT	39.50	87.50		
NE	35.80	82.20		
NY				.490
NC			.38	.340
ND	38.00	90.00		
OH	33.40	100.00		.368
OR	31.00	81.30		
PA				.370
SC				.420
SD	37.60	98.60		
TX	42.10	86.90		.320
UT	31.00	89.00		
VA			.38	
WA				.452
WY	39.70	105.00		
US	34.90	85.20	.383	.358

1/ Entire month.

2/ Mid-month.

3/ IN and MN are actual liveweight prices. All other State prices are equivalent liveweight returns to producers derived from ready-to-cook (RTC) prices using the following formula: (RTC price minus processing cost) * (dressing percentage) = liveweight equivalent price.

4/ Market (table) eggs.

Milk and Milk Cows: Prices Received, by States, April and May 2001

State	April				May				
	Fluid Grade Milk 1/	Manufacturing Grade Milk	All Milk 2/	Price:Fat Test	All Milk 2/3/	Price:Fat Test	Milk Cows 4/	Price:Fat Test	
	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Cwt	Pct	Dol/Head
AZ	14.10	3.55			14.10	3.55	15.20	3.53	
CA	13.30	3.64	13.50	3.94	13.30	3.64	14.30	3.58	
FL	17.40	3.53			17.40	3.53	18.20	3.52	
ID	12.90	3.58	13.00	3.78	12.90	3.58	13.50	3.50	
IL	13.10	3.70	13.90	3.65	13.10	3.70	14.20	3.70	
IN	15.40	3.67	12.20	3.81	15.20	3.68	16.00	3.63	
IA	14.00	3.68	12.70	3.74	13.90	3.68	14.90	3.60	
KY	15.70	3.59	10.80	3.58	15.70	3.59	16.20	3.55	
MI	14.60	3.67	13.50	3.69	14.60	3.67	15.40	3.60	
MN	14.50	3.72	12.50	3.76	14.40	3.72	15.50	3.66	
MO	14.00	3.60	12.60	3.90	13.90	3.61	14.80	3.61	
NM	14.40	3.54			14.40	3.54	15.40	3.46	
NY	15.40	3.70			15.40	3.70	16.10	3.65	
OH	14.70	3.71	12.20	3.81	14.50	3.72	15.20	3.66	
PA	16.30	3.71	12.50	3.75	16.30	3.71	16.70	3.70	
TX	15.10	3.54			15.10	3.54	16.00	3.50	
VT	15.30	3.70			15.30	3.70	15.90	3.66	
VA	16.50	3.64			16.50	3.64	17.00	3.57	
WA	14.80	3.67			14.80	3.67	15.60	3.58	
WI	14.40	3.77	13.10	3.81	14.30	3.77	15.60	3.71	
US	14.50	3.67	12.90	3.81	14.40	3.67	15.40	3.62	

- 1/ Including milk diverted to manufacturing.
- 2/ Before deductions for hauling. 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.

Parity Price Equivalent for Manufacturing Milk 1/: United States, April and May 2001, with Comparisons

Item	May 2000	Apr 2001	May 2001
Parity Equivalent.....Dol per Cwt	28.48	29.39	29.21
Average Price F.O.B.....Dol per Cwt	10.10	12.90	2/13.90
Average Fat Test of Milk..Percent	3.72	3.81	2/3.75

- 1/ The parity price equivalent during 2001 is 91.0 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, compared with 90.4 percent in 2000. For additional details, see January 2001 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 May 2001, with Comparisons 1/

Commodity and Unit	: Adjusted: : Base : Prices	Parity Prices Based on Data for			: Prices as Percent : of Parity			
		: May : 2000	: Apr : 2001	: May : 2001	: May : 2000	: Apr : 2001	: May : 2001	
		----- Dollars -----			----- Percents -----			
Basic Commodities	:							
All Wheat, Bu	:	.589	9.65	9.70	9.64	27	29	31
Rice, Cwt	:	1.64	28.50	27.00	26.80	20	21	21
Corn, Bu	:	.402	6.65	6.62	6.58	32	29	27
Cotton, Lb	:							
American Upland	:	.102	1.77	1.68	1.67	27	26	26
Extra Long Staple	:	.142	2.27	2.34	2.32			
Peanuts, Lb	:	.0414	.675	.682	.678			
Tobacco, By Type, Lb	:							
Flue-Cured 11-14	:	.256	4.01	4.22	4.19			
VA Fire-Cured, 21	:	.257	4.02	4.23	4.21			
KY-TN Fire-Cured, 22-23	:	.323	5.04	5.32	5.29			
Burley, 31	:	.273	4.28	4.50	4.47			
Maryland, 32	:	.225	3.63	3.71	3.68		38	
Dark Air-Cured, 35-36	:	.273	4.31	4.50	4.47			
Sun-Cured, 37	:	.232	3.66	3.82	3.80			
PA Seedleaf, 41	:	.190	3.04	3.13	3.11			
Cigar Filler & Binder, 42-44, 54-55	:	.218	3.36	3.59	3.57			
Puerto Rican Filler, 46	:	.173	2.74	2.85	2.83			
Cigar Binder, 51-52	:	.652	9.69	10.70	10.70			
Designated Nonbasic	:							
All Milk, Sold to Plants, Per Cwt	:	1.96	31.50	32.30	32.10	2/40	2/47	2/50
Honey, Extracted, Lb	:	3/.0918	1.43	1.51	1.50			
Wool and Mohair	:							
Wool, Lb	:	.101	1.81	1.66	1.65			
Mohair, Lb	:	.269	3.80	4.43	4.40			
Other Nonbasic	:							
Barley, Bu	:	.393	5.94	6.47	6.43	37	32	32
Cottonseed, Ton	:	15.50	247.00	255.00	254.00			
Dry Edible Beans, Cwt	:	2.92	49.30	48.10	47.80	33	34	35
Flaxseed, Bu	:	.690	11.70	11.40	11.30	32	32	34
Oats, Bu	:	.230	3.37	3.79	3.77	39	34	34
Potatoes, Cwt	:	.831	13.50	13.70	13.60	47	42	47
Rye, Bu	:	.335	5.20	5.52	5.48			
Sorghum Grain, Cwt	:	.689	10.50	11.30	11.30	32	27	28
Soybeans, Bu	:	.876	13.90	14.40	14.30	37	29	30
Sweetpotatoes, Cwt	:	2.09	32.80	34.40	34.20			
Apples, Fresh, Lb 4/	:	.0298	1.47	.491	.488	12	32	32
Citrus (equiv on-tree), box:	:							
Grapefruit	:	.493	8.19	8.12	8.07	35	17	24
Lemons	:	1.20	19.30	19.80	19.60	23	22	31
Limes (FL)	:	1.27	20.60	20.90	20.80			
Oranges	:	.695	11.60	11.40	11.40	40	44	42
Tangerines	:	1.68	28.50	27.70	27.50	26	40	48
Temples (FL)	:	.591	10.10	9.73	9.67			
Beef Cattle, Cwt	:	9.65	154.00	159.00	158.00	45	48	46
Calves, Cwt	:	12.70	198.00	209.00	208.00	54	53	54
Hogs, Cwt	:	6.29	102.00	104.00	103.00	47	46	50
Lambs, Cwt	:	10.60	163.00	175.00	174.00	59	49	
Sheep, Cwt	:	4.42	67.50	72.80	72.40	45	48	
Eggs, Doz	:	.0949	1.51	1.56	1.55	2/35	2/41	2/38
Turkeys, Live, Lb	:	.0585	.919	.963	.958	44	39	40

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Parity Prices Based on Data for May 2001, 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	.251	4.11	Peaches, cont.		
Spearmint Oil, Lb	1.71	28.00	Processing 5/		
Tobacco, Lb			Excl Dried		
Type 61	2.66	43.50	Clingstone,		
			CA, Ton	32.50	532.00
			Pears, Ton		
Noncitrus Fruit			Fresh 4/	52.00	851.00
Apples, Ton 6/			Dried, CA 6/	155.00	2540.00
Processing	19.60	321.00	Plums, CA, Ton		
Apricots, Ton			Fresh, Equiv		
Fresh 7/	110.00	1800.00	on-Tree	54.50	892.00
Dried, CA	295.00	4830.00	Prunes, Dried,		
Avocados, Ton 7/	210.00	3440.00	CA, Ton 6/	139.00	2280.00
Cherries			Prunes and Plums,		
Sweet, Ton	170.00	2780.00	Excl CA, Ton		
Tart, Lb	.0270	.442	Fresh 9/	52.90	866.00
Cranberry, Bbl 5/	7.07	116.00	Processing 6/		
Dates, CA, Ton 7/	150.00	2460.00	Excl Dried	24.40	399.00
Grapes, Ton					
Raisin Variety	152.00	2490.00	Tree Nuts 10/		
Other Dried	63.00	1030.00	Almonds, Lb	.225	3.68
Kiwifruit, Ton	76.10	1250.00	Hazelnuts, Ton	120.00	1960.00
Nectarines			Pistachio, Lb	.161	2.64
Fresh, Calif,			Walnuts, Ton	180.00	2950.00
Ton 7/	62.70	1030.00			
Olives, CA			Vegetables, Cwt 11/		
Canning, Ton 5/	96.50	1580.00	Fresh		
Papayas (HI) Lb	.0522	.855	Carrots 8/	1.93	31.60
Peaches			Cauliflower 8/	4.47	73.20
Fresh, Lb 4/	.0382	.625	Celery 8/	1.96	32.10
Dried, CA,			Honeydew Melons	2.70	44.20
Ton	113.00	1850.00	Lettuce	2.28	37.30
			Onions 8/	1.71	28.00
			Tomatoes	4.44	72.70

- 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 "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 average prices weighted by production. For 1982 through 1985 the national averages are the support prices.
- 4/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, NY (apples only), OR (except peaches), and WA. Price at point of first sale for other states.
- 5/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point.
- 6/ Equivalent returns at processing plant door.
- 7/ Equivalent returns at packinghouse door.
- 8/ Includes some processing.
- 9/ Based on "as sold" prices for fresh fruit in all states.
- 10/ Prices in-shell basis except almonds which are shelled basis.
- 11/ F.O.B. shipping point prices.

Tobacco: Marketing Year Average Price, by Class, Type,
State, and United States, 1999-2000 1/

Class and State	Type	1999	2000
Dollars per Pound			
Flue-cured:			
Old Belts			
NC	11	1.760	1.817
VA	11	1.766	1.889
US	11	1.762	1.839
Eastern NC Belt			
NC	12	1.750	1.795
NC Border & SC Belt			
NC	13	1.720	1.778
SC	13	1.691	1.766
US	13	1.703	1.771
GA-FL Belt			
FL	14	1.730	1.730
GA	14	1.685	1.746
US	14	1.694	1.744
Total Flue-cured	11-14	1.737	1.793
Fire-cured:			
VA Belt			
VA	21	1.819	1.637
Eastern District			
KY	22	2.312	2.201
TN	22	2.314	2.197
US	22	2.313	2.199
Western District			
KY	23	2.260	2.082
TN	23	2.271	2.086
US	23	2.261	2.083
KY-TN Fire-cured	22-23	2.298	2.163
Total Fire-cured	21-23	2.264	2.137
Air-cured:			
Light Air-cured:			
Burley			
IN	31	1.890	1.937
KY	31	1.900	1.968
MO	31	1.879	1.854
NC	31	1.909	1.968
OH	31	1.912	1.928
TN	31	1.894	1.957
VA	31	1.896	1.974
WV	31	1.900	1.901
US	31	1.899	1.963
Southern MD Belt			
MD	32	1.660	1.690
PA	32	0.800	0.900
US	32	1.345	1.387
Total Light Air-cured	31-32	1.885	1.942
Dark Air-cured:			
One-Sucker Belt			
KY	35	2.066	1.965
TN	35	2.056	2.041
US	35	2.064	1.977
Green River Belt			
KY	36	1.982	1.940
KY-TN Dark Air-cured	35-36	2.039	1.965

See footnotes at end of table.

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Tobacco: Marketing Year Average Price, by Class, Type,
State, and United States, 1999-2000 1/ (continued)

Class and State	Type	1999	2000
Dollars per Pound			
VA Sun-cured Belt			
VA	37	1.590	1.800
Total Dark Air-cured	35-37	2.033	1.964
All Cures Other Than Cigar	11-37	1.822	1.867
Cigar Filler:			
PA Seedleaf			
PA 2/	41	1.300	
Cigar Binder:			
CT Valley Broadleaf			
CT	51	4.500	4.900
MA	51	5.100	5.000
US	51	4.737	4.916
WI Binder, Southern			
WI	54	1.490	1.550
WI Binder, Northern			
WI	55	1.490	1.550
Total WI Binder	54-55	1.490	1.550
Total Binder	51-55	3.427	2.634
Cigar Wrapper:			
CT Valley Shade-grown			
CT 3/	61		
MA 3/	61		
US 3/	61		
Total Cigar Types 2/	41-55	2.451	2.634
US All Tobacco 2/3/	11-55	1.828	1.869

1/ 2000 revised.

2/ PA Type 41 price for 2000 not published to avoid disclosure and not included in U.S. total price. Price includes type 32 only.

3/ CT and MA type 61 price not published to avoid disclosure and not included in U.S. total price. Price includes type 51 only.

Tobacco: Marketing Year Average Price,
by State, 1999-2000 1/

State	1999	2000	State	1999	2000
Dollars per Pound					
CT 2/	4.500	4.900	NC	1.754	1.803
FL	1.730	1.730	OH	1.912	1.928
GA	1.685	1.746	PA 3/	1.065	0.900
IN	1.890	1.937	SC	1.691	1.766
KY	1.920	1.983	TN	1.955	2.014
MD	1.660	1.690	VA	1.801	1.894
MA 2/	5.100	5.000	WV	1.900	1.901
MO	1.879	1.854	WI	1.490	1.550

1/ 2000 revised.

2/ CT and MA type 61 price not published to avoid disclosure. Price includes type 51 only.

3/ PA type 41 price for 2000 not published to avoid disclosure. Price includes type 32 only.

Tobacco: Prices Received Monthly, by State and United States,
July 1999 - April 2000

State	1999						2000			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
	Dollars per Pound									
FL	1.490	1.660	1.830	1.840	1.775					
GA	1.495	1.595	1.770	1.745	1.665					
IN					1.895	1.905	1.895	1.845	1.715	
KY					1.895	1.915	1.935	1.920	1.940	1.895
MD									1.730	1.550
MO					1.890	1.890	1.875	1.820		
NC		1.645	1.760	1.835	1.805	1.915	1.895			
OH					1.905	1.925	1.915	1.855		
SC		1.585	1.725	1.760	1.730					
TN					1.895	1.900	1.960	2.265	2.040	
VA		1.715	1.710	1.855	1.845	1.895	1.855			
WV 1/										
US	1.495	1.640	1.755	1.820	1.830	1.910	1.935	1.970	1.900	1.570

1/ Prices received by month are not available.

Tobacco: Prices Received Monthly, by State and United States,
July 2000 - April 2001 1/

State	2000						2001			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
	Dollars per Pound									
FL		1.555	1.835	1.835						
GA		1.595	1.850	1.830	1.750					
IN					1.945	1.970	1.905	1.905		
KY					1.975	1.990	1.995	1.980	1.785	
MD									1.710	1.420
MO						1.870	1.845	1.795		
NC		1.705	1.845	1.855	1.855	1.970	1.945	1.845		
OH					1.950	1.940	1.915	1.895		
SC		1.625	1.840	1.835	1.755					
TN					1.965	1.975	2.075	2.125	1.705	
VA		1.910	1.855	1.910	1.950	1.960	1.830	1.265		
WV 2/										
US		1.695	1.845	1.855	1.950	1.980	1.995	2.015	1.720	1.420

1/ Revised.

2/ Prices received by month are not available.

Tobacco: Prices Received Monthly by Type, State
and United States, July 1999 - April 2000 1/

Cure, Area and State	Type	1999					
		Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		Dollars per Pound					
Flue-cured:							
Old and Middle Belts							
NC	11	1.690	1.700	1.845	1.835		
VA	11	1.715	1.710	1.855	1.830		
US	11	1.700	1.705	1.845	1.835		
Eastern NC Belt							
NC	12	1.635	1.780	1.840	1.790		
NC Border & SC Belt							
NC	13	1.585	1.780	1.800	1.750		
SC	13	1.585	1.725	1.760	1.730		
US	13	1.585	1.750	1.775	1.735		
GA-FL Belt							
FL	14	1.490	1.660	1.830	1.840	1.775	
GA	14	1.495	1.595	1.770	1.745	1.665	
US	14	1.495	1.610	1.780	1.755	1.680	
Total Flue-cured	11-14	1.495	1.640	1.755	1.820	1.795	
Fire-cured:							
VA Belt							
VA	21				1.905	1.840	
Eastern District							
KY	22						
TN	22						
US	22						
Western District							
KY	23						
TN	23						
US	23						
KY-TN Fire-cured	22-23						
Total Fire-cured	21-23				1.905	1.840	
Air-cured:							
Light Air-cured:							
Burley							
IN	31				1.895	1.905	
KY	31				1.895	1.910	
MO	31				1.890	1.890	
NC	31				1.910	1.915	
OH	31				1.905	1.925	
TN	31				1.895	1.900	
VA	31				1.900	1.905	
WV 2/	31						
US	31				1.895	1.905	
Southern MD Belt							
MD	32						
Total Light Air-cured	31-32				1.895	1.905	
Dark Air-cured:							
One Sucker Belt							
KY	35					2.260	
TN	35					2.180	
US	35					2.250	
Green River Belt							
KY	36					2.030	
KY-TN Dark Air-cured	35-36					2.185	
VA Sun-cured Belt							
VA	37					1.585	
Total Dark Air-cured	35-37					2.175	
Total All Cures	11-37	1.495	1.640	1.755	1.820	1.830	1.910

1/ Revised.

2/ Prices received by month are not available.

Tobacco: Prices Received Monthly by Type, State
and United States, July 1999 - April 2000 1/ (continued)

Cure, Area and State	Type	2000			
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Dollars per Pound					
Flue-cured:					
Old and Middle Belts					
NC	11				
VA	11				
US	11				
Eastern NC Belt					
NC	12				
NC Border & SC Belt					
NC	13				
SC	13				
US	13				
GA-FL Belt					
FL	14				
GA	14				
US	14				
Total Flue-cured	11-14				
Fire-cured:					
VA Belt					
VA	21	1.685			
Eastern District					
KY	22	2.455	2.295	2.185	1.895
TN	22	2.470	2.420	2.040	
US	22	2.465	2.380	2.085	1.895
Western District					
KY	23	2.360	2.165	2.080	
TN	23	2.385	2.185	2.095	
US	23	2.360	2.165	2.080	
KY-TN Fire-cured	22-23	2.425	2.325	2.085	1.895
Total Fire-cured	21-23	2.395	2.325	2.085	1.895
Air-cured:					
Light Air-cured:					
Burley					
IN	31	1.895	1.845	1.715	
KY	31	1.905	1.875	1.770	
MO	31	1.875	1.820		
NC	31	1.895			
OH	31	1.915	1.885		
TN	31	1.885	1.860		
VA	31	1.870			
WV 2/	31				
US	31	1.900	1.875	1.770	
Southern MD Belt					
MD	32			1.730	1.550
Total Light Air-cured	31-32	1.900	1.875	1.745	1.550
Dark Air-cured:					
One Sucker Belt					
KY	35	1.880	1.850		
TN	35	1.960	1.660		
US	35	1.890	1.820		
Green River Belt					
KY	36	1.985	1.740		
KY-TN Dark Air-cured	35-36	1.925	1.800		
VA Sun-cured Belt					
VA	37	1.605			
Total Dark Air-cured	35-37	1.920	1.800		
Total All Cures	11-37	1.935	1.970	1.900	1.570

1/ Revised.

2/ Prices received by month are not available.

Tobacco: Prices Received Monthly by Type, State
and United States, July 2000 - April 2001 1/

Cure, Area and State	Type	2000					
		Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		Dollars per Pound					
Flue-cured:							
Old and Middle Belts							
NC	11	1.815	1.810	1.840	1.790		
VA	11	1.910	1.855	1.910	1.865		
US	11	1.845	1.825	1.860	1.805		
Eastern NC Belt							
NC	12	1.675	1.855	1.860	1.810		
NC Border & SC Belt							
NC	13	1.625	1.855	1.855	1.795		
SC	13	1.625	1.840	1.835	1.755		
US	13	1.625	1.845	1.840	1.770		
GA-FL Belt							
FL	14	1.555	1.835	1.835			
GA	14	1.595	1.850	1.830	1.750		
US	14	1.585	1.845	1.830	1.750		
Total Flue-cured	11-14	1.695	1.845	1.855	1.785		
Fire-cured:							
VA Belt							
VA	21						1.650
Eastern District							
KY	22						
TN	22						
US	22						
Western District							
KY	23						
TN	23						
US	23						
KY-TN Fire-cured	22-23						
Total Fire-cured	21-23						1.650
Air-cured:							
Light Air-cured:							
Burley							
IN	31				1.945	1.970	
KY	31				1.975	1.985	
MO	31					1.870	
NC	31				1.985	1.970	
OH	31				1.950	1.940	
TN	31				1.965	1.965	
VA	31				1.975	1.990	
WV 2/	31						
US	31				1.970	1.975	
Southern MD Belt							
MD	32						
Total Light Air-cured	31-32				1.970	1.975	
Dark Air-cured:							
One Sucker Belt							
KY	35				2.015	2.050	
TN	35					2.165	
US	35				2.015	2.065	
Green River Belt							
KY	36					1.970	
KY-TN Dark Air-cured	35-36				2.015	2.045	
VA Sun-cured Belt							
VA	37					1.860	
Total Dark Air-cured	35-37				2.015	2.045	
Total All Cures	11-37	1.695	1.845	1.855	1.950	1.980	

1/ Revised.

2/ Prices received by month are not available.

Tobacco: Prices Received Monthly by Type, State
and United States, July 2000 - April 2001 1/ (continued)

Cure, Area and State	Type	2001			
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Dollars per Pound					
Flue-cured:					
Old and Middle Belts					
NC	11				
VA	11				
US	11				
Eastern NC Belt					
NC	12				
NC Border & SC Belt					
NC	13				
SC	13				
US	13				
GA-FL Belt					
FL	14				
GA	14				
US	14				
Total Flue-cured	11-14				
Fire-cured:					
VA Belt					
VA	21	1.655	1.260		
Eastern District					
KY	22	2.300	2.175	1.835	
TN	22	2.295	2.195	1.705	
US	22	2.295	2.185	1.755	
Western District					
KY	23	2.160	2.030	1.670	
TN	23	2.170	2.040	1.695	
US	23	2.160	2.030	1.675	
KY-TN Fire-cured	22-23	2.250	2.140	1.745	
Total Fire-cured	21-23	2.200	2.135	1.745	
Air-cured:					
Light Air-cured:					
Burley					
IN	31	1.905	1.905		
KY	31	1.955	1.930		
MO	31	1.845	1.795		
NC	31	1.945	1.845		
OH	31	1.915	1.895		
TN	31	1.945	1.890		
VA	31	1.960			
WV 2/	31				
US	31	1.945	1.920		
Southern MD Belt					
MD	32			1.710	1.420
Total Light Air-cured	31-32	1.945	1.920	1.710	1.420
Dark Air-cured:					
One Sucker Belt					
KY	35	1.860	1.565		
TN	35	1.920	1.480		
US	35	1.875	1.555		
Green River Belt					
KY	36	1.960	1.575		
KY-TN Dark Air-cured	35-36	1.920	1.560		
VA Sun-cured Belt					
VA	37	1.730	1.420		
Total Dark Air-cured	35-37	1.915	1.560		
Total All Cures	11-37	1.995	2.015	1.720	1.420

1/ Revised.

2/ Prices received by month are not available.

Reliability of Prices Received 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**".

Reliability: U.S. price estimates based on probability surveys generally have a sampling error of less than one percent for the major commodities such as corn, wheat, soybeans, cotton, and rice. Current methods of summarization for non-probability commodities are not designed directly to calculate sampling errors. However, analytical measures approximate the U.S. relative sampling errors at around five 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.

Prices Paid by Farmers

The May Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) was 123 (1990-92=100), unchanged from April 2001 but 3.4 percent above May 2000.

Production Index: The May farm production, goods, and services index, at 119, was down 0.8 percent from last month but 2.6 percent above last year. Lower prices paid in May for nitrogen fertilizers, complete feeds, feeder cattle, and feeder pigs more than offset higher prices for hay and forages, gasoline, and diesel fuel.

Feed: The Feed Index, at 104, was 1.0 percent less than April and 1.9 percent below last May. Since April, lower prices for complete feeds, feed grains, feed concentrates, and feed supplements more than offset higher prices for hay and forages.

Livestock and Poultry: The index for livestock and poultry purchases, at 110, was 1.8 percent lower than last month but was 3.8 percent above last year. Since April, prices paid for both feeder cattle and calves, and feeder pigs have declined. The May feeder cattle price at, \$90.10 per cwt, was down \$1.80 per cwt from the April price.

Fertilizer: The Fertilizer Index, at 129, was down 4.4 percent from April but was 22 percent greater than May a year ago. Since April, lower prices for nitrogen fertilizers and mixed fertilizers more than offset higher prices for potash and phosphate materials.

Agricultural Chemicals: The chemical index, at 121, was unchanged from last month but 0.8 percent above last May. Slightly lower prices in May for insecticides offset slightly higher prices for herbicides.

Fuels: The Fuels Index, at 131, was up 3.1 percent from a month earlier and 5.6 percent above May 2000. Compared to last month, prices were higher for gasoline and diesel fuel but lower for LP gas.

Farm Machinery: The May Farm Machinery Index was 144, up 0.7 percent from April and 3.6 percent above last May. Since April, prices were higher for self-propelled machinery and other machinery.

Consumer Price Index: The April 2001 Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.4 percent before seasonal adjustment to a level of 176.9 (1982-84=100). This compares to the March index of 176.2. For the 12-month period ending in April, the overall index has increased 3.3 percent.

Index Numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers and Related Parity Ratios
United States, May 2001 With Comparisons

Indexes and Ratios	: 1910-14 = 100			: 1990-92 = 100		
	: 2000		: 2001	: 2000		: 2001
	: May	: Apr	: May	: May	: Apr	: May
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PPITW)	: 1590	*1643	1637	119	*123	123
Production	: 1122	1162	1156	116	120	119
Feed	: 515	*514	509	106	*105	104
Livestock and Poultry	: 1351	1438	1402	106	112	110
Seeds	: 1238	1329	1329	125	134	134
Fertilizer	: 390	495	474	106	135	129
Agricultural Chemicals	: 741	747	748	120	121	121
Fuels	: 956	983	1013	124	127	131
Supplies & Repairs	: 878	*898	898	124	126	126
Autos & Trucks	: 3178	*3155	3152	120	*119	119
Farm Machinery	: 3488	3580	3601	139	143	144
Building Material	: 1651	1644	1646	121	121	121
Farm Services & Rent	: 1379	1395	1395			
Farm Services	:			117	119	119
Rent	:			113	114	114
Interest 1/	: 2798	2901	2901	112	116	116
Taxes 2/	: 3281	3281	3281	123	123	123
Wage Rates	: 5227	*5369	5369	140	*144	144
Production, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PITW)	: 1581	*1635	1628	118	122	121
Family Living-CPI 3/	: 1629	*1680	1680	127	131	131
Ratio (Received\Paid)	:			84	86	88
Parity Ratio 4/	: 40	41	42			
Parity Ratio Adjusted 5/ PPITW Adjusted for	: 45	44	45			
Productivity 6/	: 1086	*1122	1121			
Crop Sector (PPITW)	:			122	*126	126
Livestock Sector (PPITW)	:			117	120	120
Farm Sector (Production)	:			108	112	110
Non-Farm Sector (Production)	:			119	*124	123

* 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 Price 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 1.071 for 2001 and the revised factor is 1.113 for 2000.
- 6/ PPITW is adjusted based on productivity trend for the prior 15 years.

Prices Paid Indexes and Annual Weights for Input Components and
Sub-Components United States, May 2001 With Comparisons

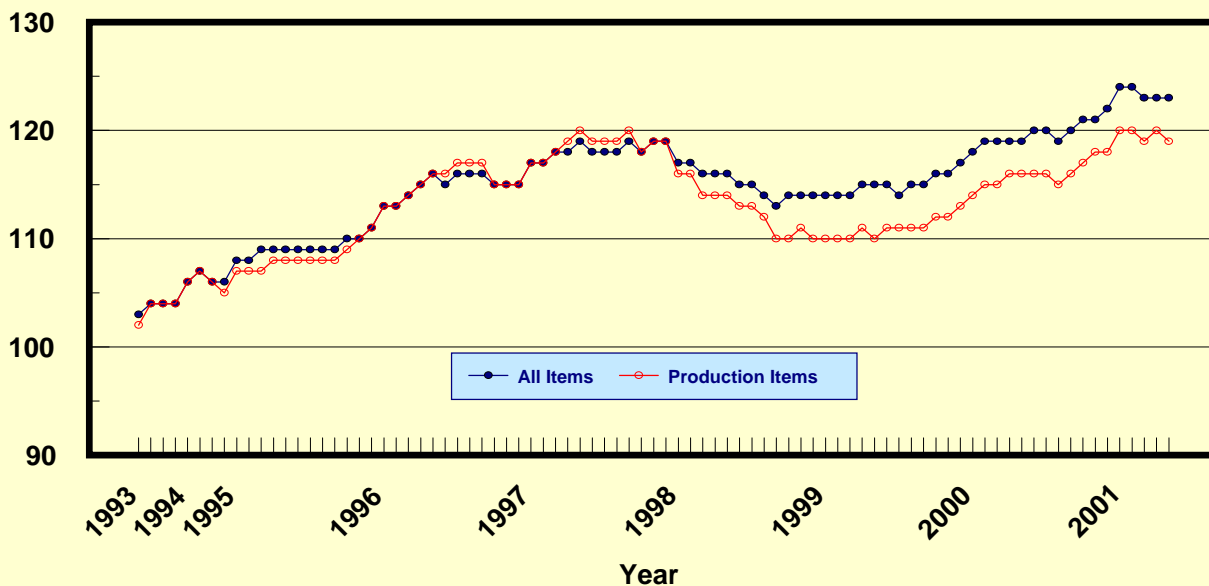
Index	Relative Weights		Input Indexes		
	5-Year Moving Average 1/		2000	2001	
	2000	2001	May	Apr	May
	----	Percent	----	(1990-92=100)	---
Production Items	67.3	67.1	116	120	119
Feed	11.7	11.5	106	*105	104
Feed Grains	1.7	1.6	90	*81	77
Complete Feeds	5.7	5.6	105	107	104
Hay/Forages	1.5	1.4	115	120	131
Concentrates	1.8	1.8	108	104	102
Supplements	1.0	1.0	114	119	117
Livestock & Poultry	6.8	6.7	106	112	110
Feeder Cattle	5.3	5.2	101	109	106
Feeder Pigs	0.5	0.5	136	143	128
Milk Cow Replacements	0.5	0.5	119	123	123
Poultry	0.4	0.4	109	109	109
Seeds	2.9	3.0	125	134	134
Field Crops	2.7	2.7	126	136	136
Grasses/Legumes	0.3	0.3	115	118	118
Fertilizer	4.9	4.8	106	135	129
Mixed Fertilizer	2.2	2.1	108	111	110
Nitrogen	2.1	2.0	103	167	154
Potash & Phosphate	0.7	0.7	111	113	114
Agricultural Chemicals	3.9	4.0	120	121	121
Herbicides	2.5	2.5	111	112	113
Insecticides	0.9	0.9	146	144	144
Fungicides/Other	0.6	0.6	119	121	121
Fuels	2.6	2.6	124	127	131
Diesel	1.5	1.5	121	123	129
Gasoline	0.8	0.7	136	124	136
LP Gas	0.4	0.4	109	151	133
Farm Supplies & Repairs	5.6	5.6	124	126	126
Supplies	1.9	1.9	117	*120	120
Repairs	3.7	3.7	127	*130	130
Autos & Trucks	1.6	1.7	120	*119	119
Autos	0.2	0.2	112	*112	112
Trucks	1.4	1.5	121	*120	120
Farm Machinery	4.0	4.0	139	143	144
Tractors	0.9	0.9	136	138	138
Self-Propelled	1.6	1.6	138	143	145
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Share	4.1	3.9	91	91	91
Interest	4.9	4.9	112	116	116
Taxes	3.1	3.1	123	123	123
Wage Rates	7.0	7.2	140	*144	144
Family Living-CPI	17.7	17.8	127	131	131

* Revised.

1/ Weights may not add due to rounding.

Prices Paid by Farmers, Major Indexes US, by Quarter and Month 1/

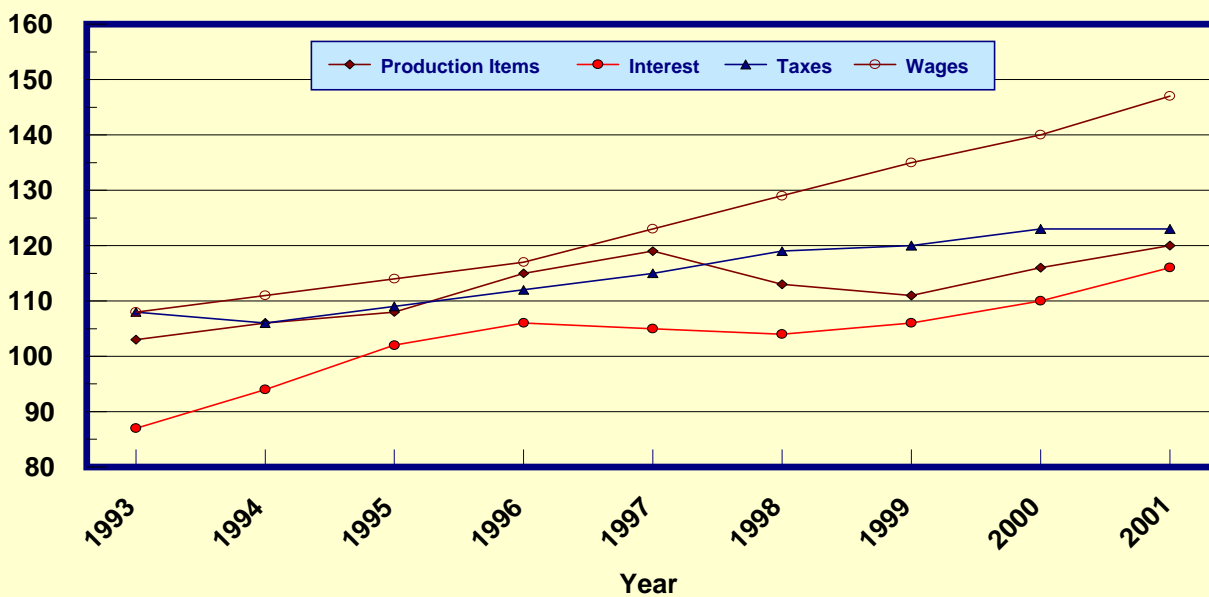
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1/ Index values are monthly beginning in 1995.

Prices Paid by Farmers, Major Indexes US, Annual Averages 1/

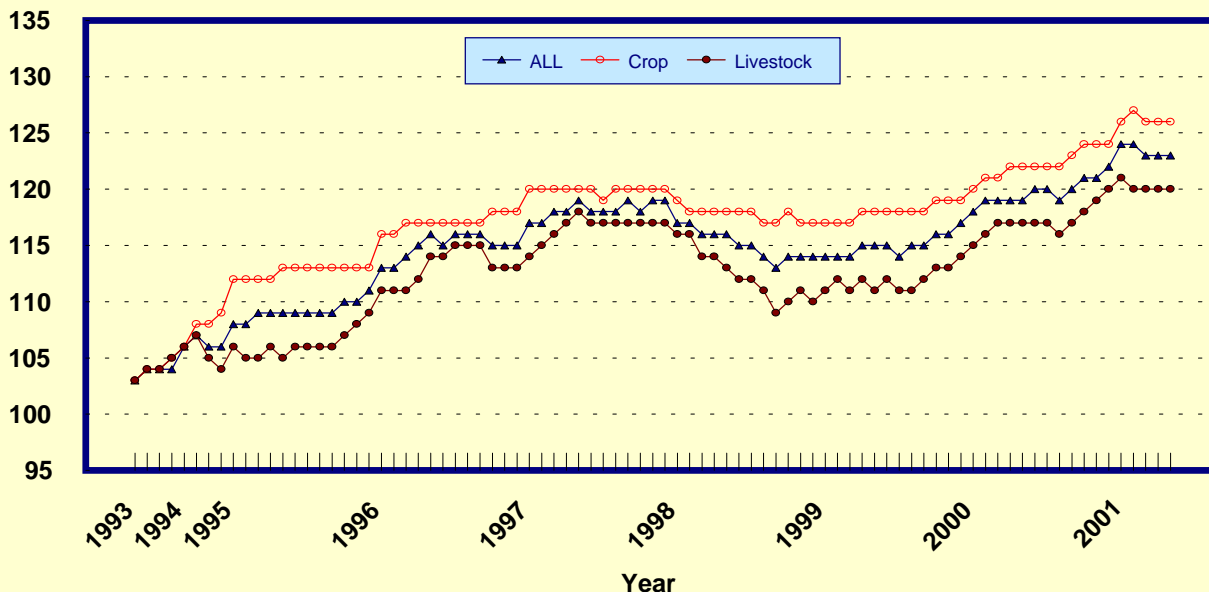
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Prices Paid by Farmers, Indexes, All Items US, By Farm Type 1/

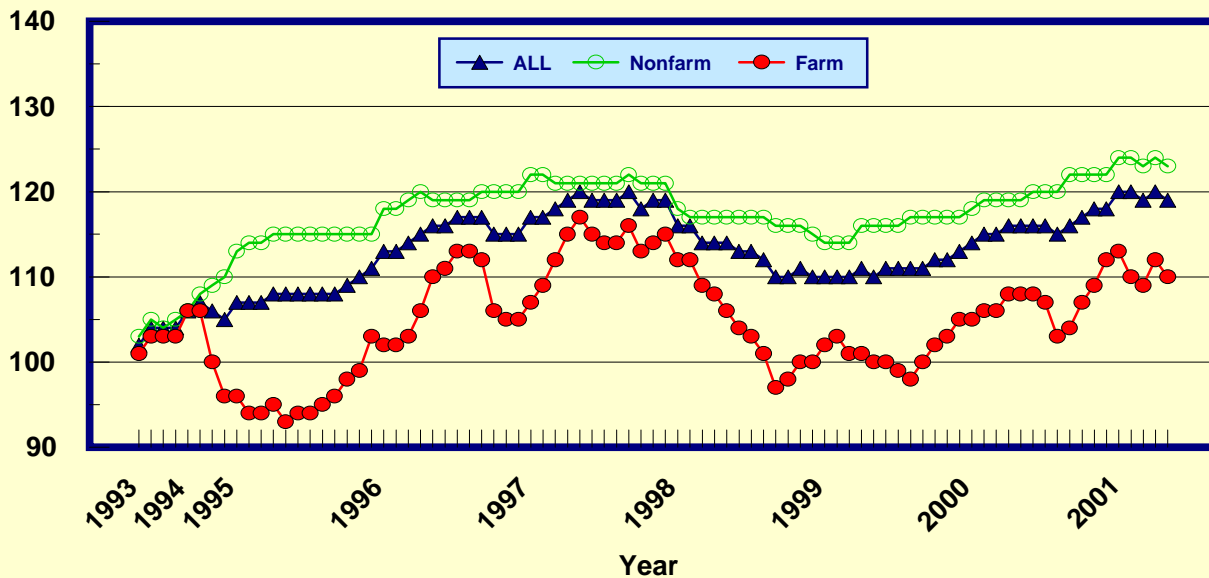
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Prices Paid by Farmers, Indexes, All Production Items US, By Sector Origin 1/

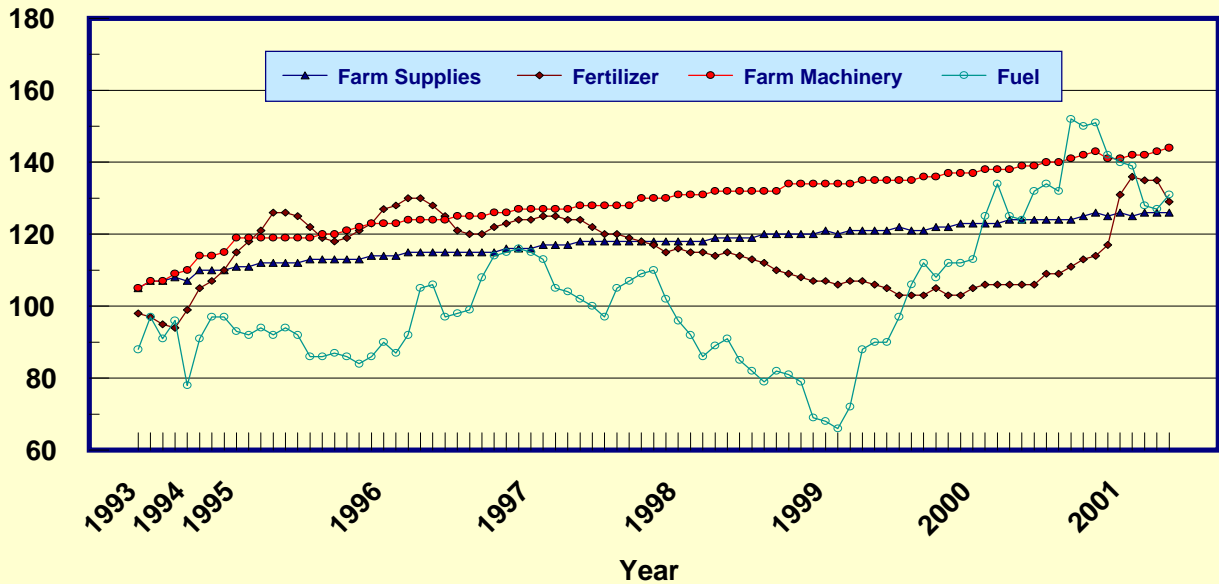
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Prices Paid by Farmers, Selected Production Indexes US, By Non-Farm Sector 1/

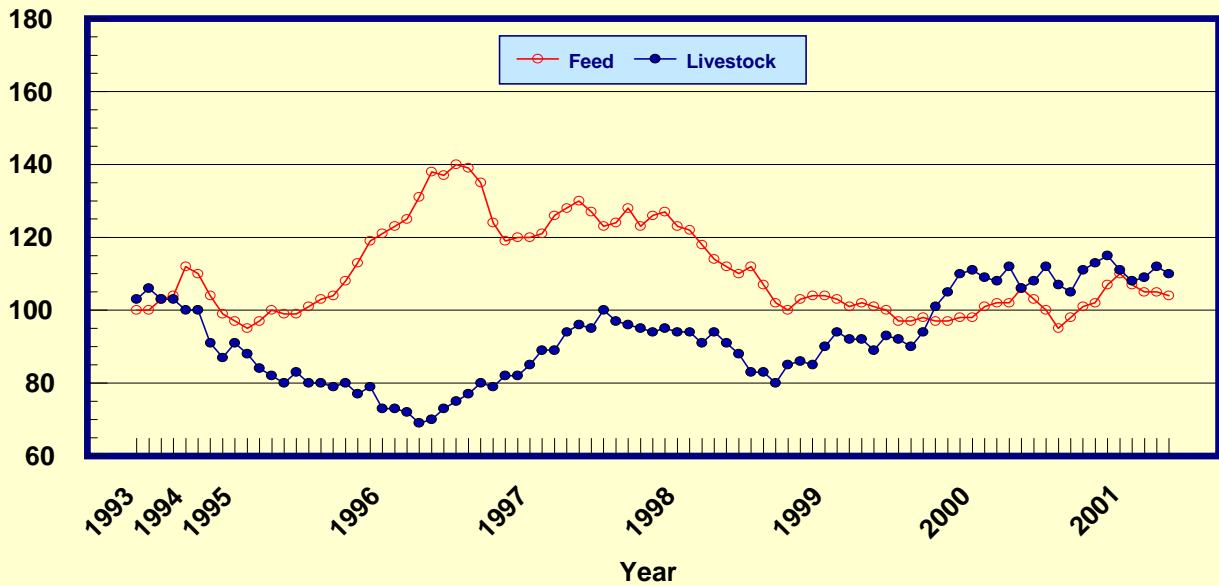
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Prices Paid by Farmers, Selected Production Indexes US, By Farm Sector 1/

Percent (1990-92=100)



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Feed Price Ratios: United States, May 2001 with Comparisons

Feed Price Ratio 1/	2000		2001	
	May	Apr	May	May
Broiler-Feed: Pounds of Broiler Grower Feed equal in value to 1 pound of broiler, live weight	5.8	*7.9	8.2	
Market Egg Feed: Pounds of Laying Feed equal in Value to 1 dozen eggs	6.4	*11.5	8.5	
Hog-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of hog, live weight	22.9	*25.3	28.9	
Milk-Feed: Pounds of 16% Mixed Dairy Feed equal in value to 1 pound of Whole Milk	2.63	*3.32	3.41	
Steer & Heifer-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of Steer & Heifers, live weight	34.7	*42.1	42.8	
Turkey-Feed: Pounds of Turkey Grower equal in value to 1 pound of Turkey, live weight	7.8	8.1	8.2	

1/ Effective August 1997, prices of commercial prepared feeds are based on current U.S. prices received for corn, soybeans, alfalfa hay, and all wheat.
* Revised.

Prices Used to Calculate Feed Price Ratios:
United States, May 2001 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	2000		2001	
		May	Apr	May	May
Broilers, Live	Lb	0.340	0.390	0.400	
Eggs, Market	Doz	0.321	0.492	0.358	
Hogs, All	Cwt	48.30	*47.80	51.40	
Milk, All	Cwt	12.00	14.40	15.40	
Steers and Heifers	Cwt	73.20	*79.60	76.20	
Turkeys, Live	Lb	0.408	0.378	0.383	
Corn	Bu	2.11	*1.89	1.78	
Hay, Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	95.00	100.00	113.00	
Soybeans	Bu	5.19	*4.22	4.33	
Wheat, All	Bu	2.59	*2.86	2.98	

* Revised.

Feeder Livestock: Prices Paid, United States
May 2001 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	2000		2001	
		May	Apr	May	May
Dollars					
Feeders and Stockers					
Cattle and Calves	Cwt	85.50	91.90	90.10	
Feeder Pigs	Cwt	146.00	131.00	118.00	

Feed Price Ratios, Monthly, United States,
January 1998 - May 2001 1/

Year:	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg

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1/ Quarterly commercial feed surveys discontinued in January 1995. Comparable complete feeds are based on US prices for Corn, Alfalfa Hay, Soybeans, and All Wheat.

2/ Simple average of monthly ratios, January through December.

3/ Number of pounds of Broiler Grower Feed (corn-58 pounds, soybeans-42 pounds) equal in value to one pound of Broilers, live weight.

4/ Number of pounds of Laying Feed (corn-75 pounds, soybeans-25 pounds) equal in value to one dozen Market Eggs.

5/ Number of pounds of Turkey Grower Feed (corn-51 pounds, soybeans-28 pounds, all wheat-21 pounds) equal in value to one pound of Turkeys, live weight.

6/ Number of pounds of 16% protein Mixed Dairy Feed (corn-51 pounds, soybeans-8 pounds, alfalfa hay-41 pounds) equal in value to one pound of All Milk.

7/ Number of bushels of corn equal in value to 100 pounds of All Hogs, live weight.

8/ Number of bushels of corn equal in value to 100 pounds of Steers & Heifers, live weight.

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 8,500 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 135 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.

Summary and Estimation Procedures: The annual April 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. Prices paid indexes for new autos and trucks, building materials, farm supplies, motor supplies, and marketing containers are updated based on price changes measured in selected Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indexes.

Revisions: Any revisions are published in the monthly and in annual issues of "Agricultural Prices". The basis for revision must be supported by additional data that directly affect the level of the estimate. More revisions are likely in April when separate prices paid surveys are conducted, in lieu of BLS indexes, by the USDA to measure price change.

Reliability: Current methods of summarization in April 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).

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