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## December Farm Prices Received Index Down 2 Points From Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in December, at 115, based on 1990-92=100, is 2 points (1.7 percent) below the November Index. The Livestock Products Index is down 4 points (3.4 percent) from November while the All Crops Index is unchanged. Lower prices received for eggs, milk, lettuce, and cattle more than offset higher commodity prices for corn, soybeans, broccoli, and broilers. The seasonal change in the mix of commodities farmers sell, based on the past 3-year average, also affects the overall index. Increased average marketings of tobacco, wheat, milk, and lettuce offset decreased marketings of cattle, soybeans, grapes, and corn.

This preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 15 points (15 percent) from December 2002. The Food Commodities Index, at 118, is 4 points (3.3 percent) below last month but 19 points (19 percent) above December 2002.

## Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The December Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 130 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is unchanged from November but 5 points (4.0 percent) above December 2002. Lower prices in December for feeder cattle and gasoline offset higher prices for complete feeds, feed concentrates, feed grains, and nitrogen fertilizers.

**Index Summary Table**

Index 1990-92=100	2002		2003	
	Nov	Dec	Nov	Dec
Prices Received	97	100	117	115
Prices Paid	125	125	130	130
Ratio <sup>1</sup>	78	80	90	88

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

## Prices Received by Farmers

The December All Farm Products Index is 115 percent of its 1990-92 base, down 1.7 percent from the November index but 15 percent above the December 2002 index.

**ALL CROPS:** The index is 117, unchanged from November but 9.3 percent above the December 2002 index. Index decreases from November for fruits and nuts and cotton offset index increases in oil-bearing crops, feed grains and hay, commercial vegetables, food grains, and potatoes and dry beans.

**Food Grains:** The index, at 119, is up 2.6 percent from the previous month but down 4.0 percent from December 2002. The all wheat price, at \$3.63 per bushel, is up 4 cents from the November price but 43 cents below last December. The rice price, at \$7.25 per cwt, is up 26 cents from November and \$3.12 above a year ago.

**Feed Grains & Hay:** The index is 103, up 4.0 percent from last month but 2.8 percent below December 2002. The corn price, at \$2.32 per bushel, is up 12 cents from November but matches last year's December price. The all hay price, at \$81.30 per ton, is up 60 cents from last month but \$10.70 below December 2002.

**Oil-Bearing Crops:** The index, at 128, is up 4.9 percent from November and 31 percent above the previous December. The soybean price, at \$7.29 per bushel, increased 24 cents from November and is up \$1.83 from the December 2002 price.

**Cotton:** The index, at 104, is down 1.0 percent from a month ago but 42 percent above December 2002. The cotton price, at 63.1 cents per pound, is down 0.3 cents from November but 18.8 cents above a year ago.

**Potatoes & Dry Beans:** The index, at 95, is up 1.1 percent from last month but 13 percent below December 2002. The all potato price, at \$5.50 per cwt, is up 15 cents from the previous month but \$1.17 below last December. The all dry bean price, at \$18.70 per cwt, is down 50 cents from last month but \$2.60 above December 2002.

**Fruits & Nuts:** The index, at 88, is down 20 percent from the previous month and 4.3 percent below December 2002. Price decreases for strawberries, lemons, and grapefruit more than offset price increases for grapes, pears, tangerines, and apples.

**Commercial Vegetables:** The index, at 191, is 3.8 percent above last month and is up 24 percent from December 2002. Price increases during December for broccoli, cauliflower, cucumbers, and snap beans more than offset price decreases for celery, cantaloup, and lettuce.

**LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS:** The index, at 113, is down 3.4 percent from last month but up 24 percent from December 2002. Compared with a year ago, prices are higher for cattle, broilers, all milk, eggs, hogs, calves, but lower for turkeys.

**Meat Animals:** The index, at 113, is down 2.6 percent from last month but up 28 percent from last year. The December hog price of \$34.90 per cwt is up 10 cents from November and up \$4.60 from a year ago. The December beef cattle price of \$92.70 is down \$1.00 from last month but up \$22.30 from December 2002.

**Dairy Products:** The index, at 105, is down 5.4 percent from November but up 15 percent from December 2002. The December all milk price of \$13.70 per cwt is down 80 cents from last month but is up \$1.80 from December 2002. Both the fluid and manufactured grade milk prices are down from the previous month.

**Poultry & Eggs:** The index, at 121, is down 3.2 percent from November but 26 percent above a year ago. December market egg prices, at 73.9 cents per dozen, were 18.7 cents below November due to decreased demand following the Thanksgiving holiday. The December broiler price, at 38.0 cents per pound, is 1.0 cent above November. Broiler price strength is from high protein demand and steady supplies. The December turkey price, at 37.7 cents per pound, shows a seasonal decrease of 3.0 cents from last month.

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**Index Numbers of Prices Received, United States,  
December 2003, with Comparisons**

Index	1910-14=100				1990-92=100		
	Average 1990-92	2002	2003		2002	2003	
		Dec	Nov	Dec	Dec	Nov	Dec
All Farm Products	639	635	*745	732	100	117	115
All Crops	500	529	*578	577	107	*117	117
Food Grains	325	394	*369	379	124	*116	119
Feed Grains & Hay	363	378	*352	368	106	*99	103
Cotton	517	374	*536	533	73	*105	104
Tobacco	1,263	1,735	*1,726	1,717	115	114	114
Oil-Bearing Crops	554	537	*666	702	98	*122	128
Fruits & Nuts	716	643	*770	617	92	*110	88
Commercial Vegetables	698	1,031	*1,226	1,275	154	*184	191
Potatoes & Dry Beans	540	551	*475	482	109	*94	95
Other Crops	493	558	567	567	113	115	115
Livestock & Products	768	698	*901	868	91	*117	113
Meat Animals	1,021	896	*1,184	1,151	88	116	113
Dairy Products	799	731	*891	842	91	*111	105
Poultry & Eggs	282	270	*353	339	96	125	121
Food Commodities					99	*122	118

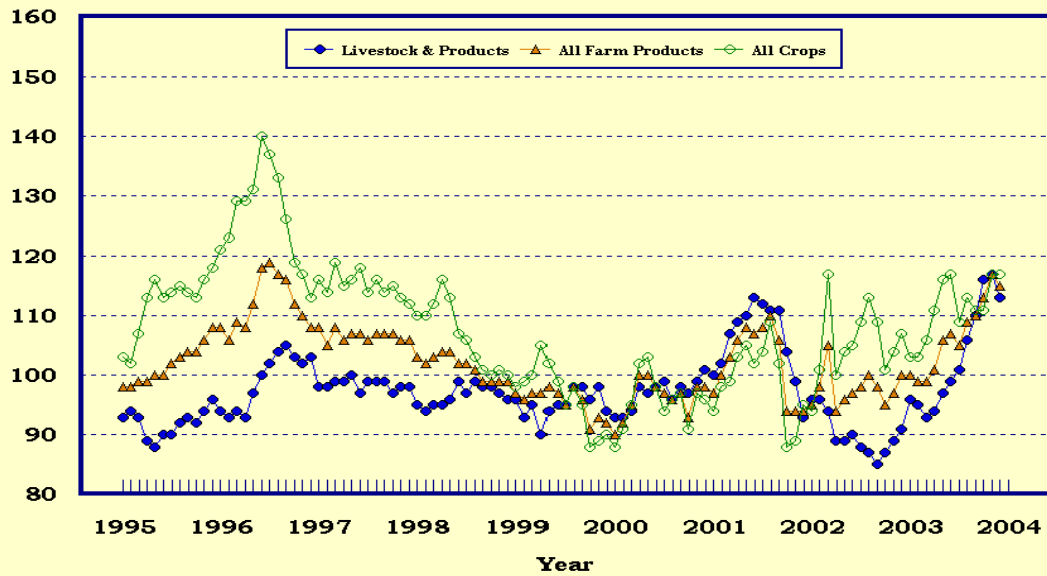
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**Selected Index Numbers for Prices Received and Paid,  
1990-92=100, by Months, United States, 2002 and 2003**

Month	Index of Prices Received						Index of Prices Paid			
	All Farm Products		All Crops		Livestock and Products		All Items		Production Items	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
Jan	95	100	94	103	96	96	122	126	117	122
Feb	98	99	101	103	96	95	122	127	117	123
Mar	105	99	117	106	94	93	123	128	118	124
Apr	94	101	100	111	89	94	123	128	118	124
May	96	106	104	116	89	97	123	127	118	123
Jun	97	107	105	117	90	99	123	128	118	123
Jul	98	105	109	109	88	101	123	127	119	123
Aug	100	109	113	113	87	106	124	127	120	123
Sep	98	110	109	111	85	110	124	129	121	125
Oct	95	113	101	111	87	116	125	130	121	126
Nov	97	117	104	117	89	117	125	130	120	127
Dec	100	115	107	117	91	113	125	130	121	128

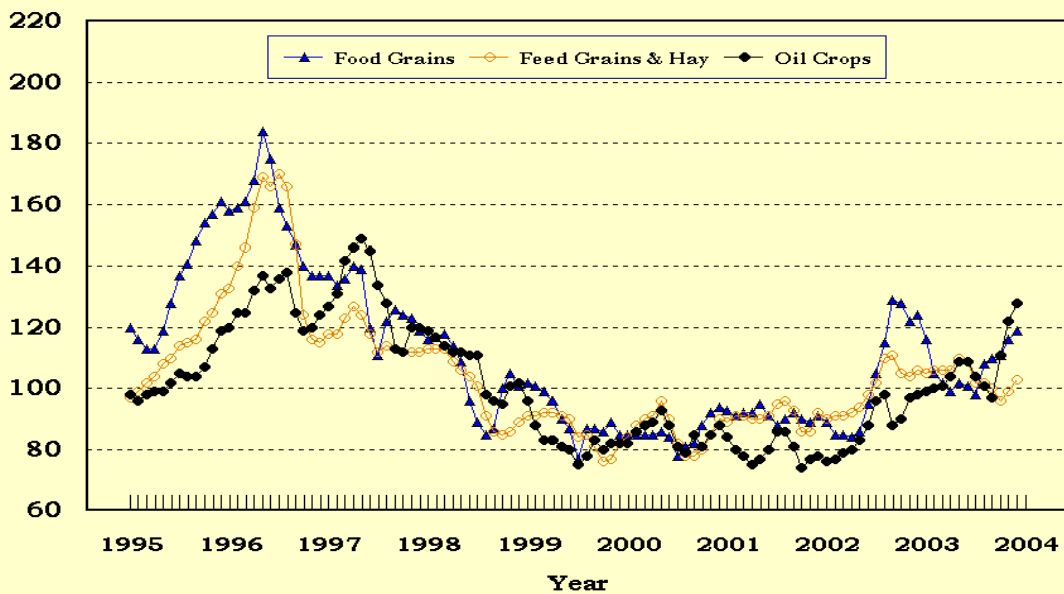
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Index Values(1990-92=100)



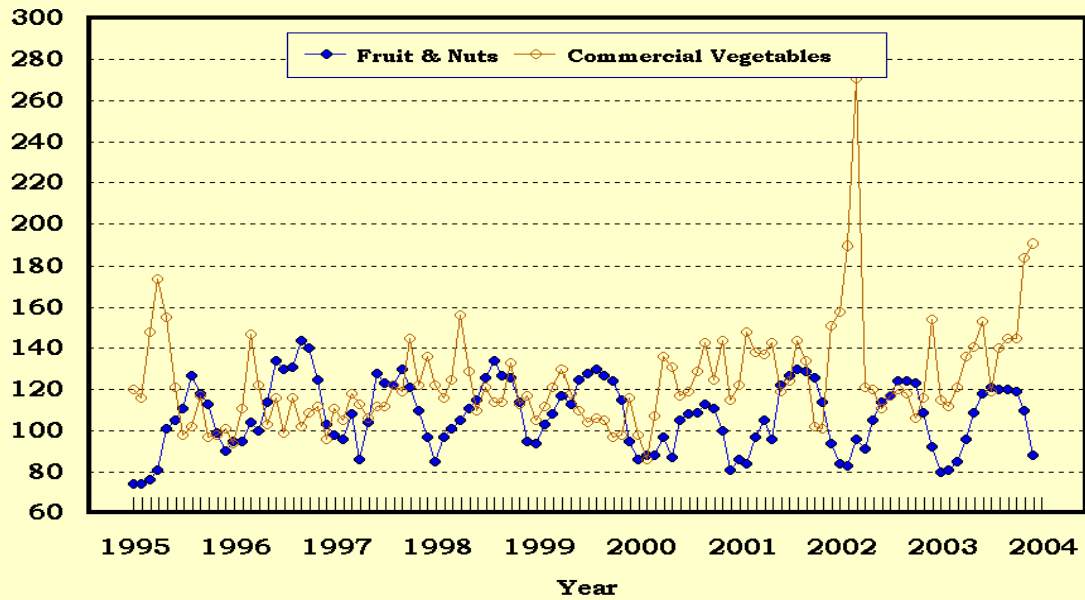
## Prices Received, Food, Feed, & Oil Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



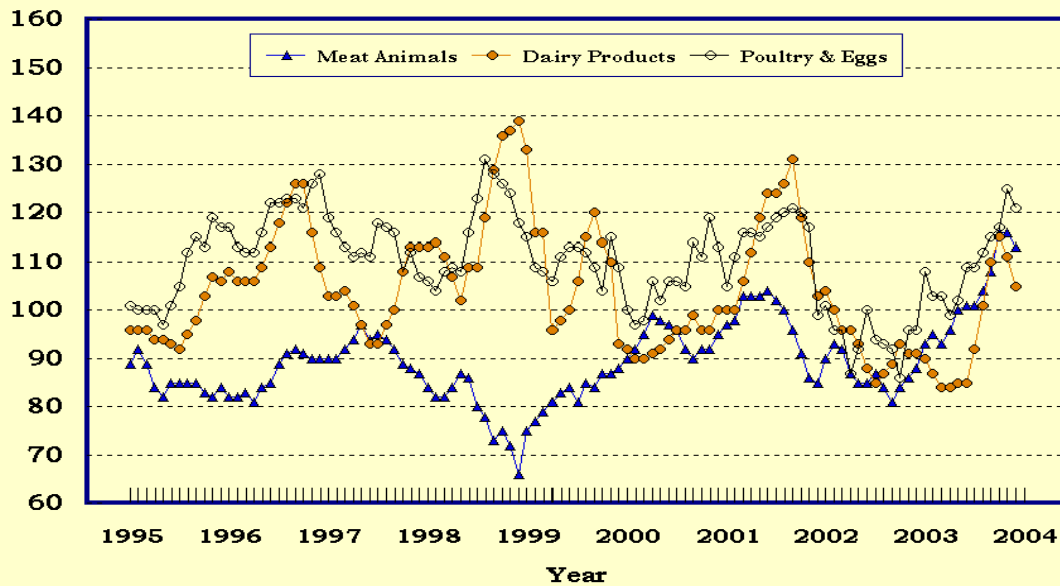
## Prices Received, Fruit/Vegetable Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



## Prices Received, Livestock Product Indexes, US

Index Values(1990-92=100)



**Prices Received, United States,  
December 2003, with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
<b>Field Crops</b>					
Barley, All	Bu	2.12	2.91	2.86	2.41
Feed	Bu	1.90	2.14	2.44	1.99
Malting	Bu	2.43	3.24	3.11	2.79
Beans, Dry Edible	Cwt	19.10	16.10	19.20	18.70
Chickpeas, All <sup>1</sup>	Cwt			23.80	20.90
Large <sup>1</sup>	Cwt			23.80	20.90
Small <sup>1</sup>	Cwt			24.00	( <sup>5</sup> )
Corn	Bu	2.30	2.32	2.20	2.32
Cotton, Upland	Lb	0.606	0.443	0.634	0.631
Cottonseed	Ton	96.00	101.00	121.00	127.00
Flaxseed	Bu	4.27	5.92	6.06	5.97
Hay, All, Baled <sup>2</sup>	Ton	76.30	91.10	80.70	81.30
Alfalfa <sup>2</sup>	Ton	77.20	98.00	88.00	87.90
Other <sup>2</sup>	Ton	60.00	76.30	64.90	66.90
Lentils <sup>1</sup>	Cwt			19.00	17.60
Oats	Bu	1.22	1.95	1.32	1.36
Peanuts, In-Shell	Lb	0.304	0.175	0.184	0.189
Peas, Dry Edible <sup>1</sup>	Cwt			7.11	7.74
Austrian Winter <sup>1</sup>	Cwt			10.90	( <sup>5</sup> )
Potatoes	Cwt	5.82	6.67	5.35	5.50
Rice, Rough	Cwt	7.07	4.13	6.99	7.25
Sorghum Grain	Cwt	3.75	4.33	4.13	4.21
Soybeans	Bu	5.61	5.46	7.05	7.29
Sunflowers, All	Cwt	9.50	12.30	11.60	12.00
Tobacco, Types 11-37	Lb	1.740	1.995	1.985	1.975
Wheat, All	Bu	2.96	4.06	3.59	3.63
Winter	Bu	2.93	3.87	3.55	3.62
Durum	Bu	2.86	4.26	3.91	3.84
Other Spring	Bu	3.11	4.15	3.67	3.63
Hard Red Winter	Bu		3.86	3.55	
Soft Red Winter	Bu		3.67	3.61	
Hard Red Spring	Bu		4.17	3.69	
White	Bu	3.24	3.92	3.53	
<b>Fruit</b>					
Citrus, Equiv on-tree					
Grapefruit	Box	5.77	2.29	3.71	2.89
Lemons	Box	10.10	6.02	6.23	3.80
Oranges	Box	5.79	3.23	2.23	2.44
Tangelos	Box	5.82	2.85	3.89	4.52
Tangerines	Box	15.11	10.16	5.61	7.82
Temples	Box	6.23			
Noncitrus, Fresh					
Apples <sup>3</sup>	Lb	0.212	0.263	0.274	0.285
Grapes <sup>3</sup>	Ton	506.00	720.00	710.00	740.00
Peaches <sup>3</sup>	Lb	0.216			
Pears <sup>3</sup>	Ton	370.00	437.00	374.00	392.00
Strawberries	Lb	0.560		1.940	1.770

<sup>1</sup> Monthly estimates began July 2003.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month price.

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

<sup>4</sup> Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

<sup>5</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.



**Prices Received, United States,  
December 2003, with Comparisons (continued)**

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Vegetables, Fresh <sup>1</sup>					
Asparagus	Cwt	79.80			
Broccoli	Cwt	22.50	35.00	42.40	55.50
Cantaloupes <sup>2</sup>	Cwt			27.30	21.90
Carrots	Cwt	13.20	19.50	21.40	24.20
Cauliflower	Cwt	26.80	50.00	56.90	64.50
Celery	Cwt	11.60	9.50	20.60	13.70
Corn, Sweet	Cwt	15.70	18.30	25.90	27.40
Cucumbers <sup>2</sup>	Cwt		26.40	12.90	18.00
Lettuce	Cwt	11.90	30.00	45.20	40.00
Onions	Cwt	12.80	11.50	14.70	14.80
Snap Beans <sup>2</sup>	Cwt		59.40	40.90	45.50
Tomatoes	Cwt	32.30	38.00	34.60	34.80
Livestock					
Calves	Cwt	94.30	95.30	112.00	113.00
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt	72.90	70.40	93.70	92.70
Cows	Cwt	49.60	34.60	47.80	49.90
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	77.10	75.00	100.00	98.60
Milk Cows <sup>3</sup>	Head	1,130.00			
Hogs, All	Cwt	47.70	30.30	34.80	34.90
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	48.40	30.70	35.00	35.30
Sows	Cwt	39.50	22.40	29.40	28.30
Lambs	Cwt	56.20	87.20	99.20	
Sheep	Cwt	23.40	38.70	40.10	
Dairy and Poultry					
Milk, All <sup>4 5</sup>	Cwt	13.06	11.90	14.50	13.70
Fluid Grade <sup>5</sup>	Cwt	13.10	11.90	14.50	13.70
Mfg Grade <sup>5</sup>	Cwt	11.80	10.70	13.80	12.70
Broilers, Live <sup>6</sup>	Lb	0.317	0.290	0.370	0.380
Eggs, All <sup>7</sup>	Doz	0.643	0.628	1.050	0.868
Market <sup>7</sup>	Doz	0.546	0.480	0.926	0.739
Turkeys, live <sup>6 7</sup>	Lb	0.380	0.387	0.407	0.377
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation					
Eggs, All	Doz	0.545	0.571	1.050	0.775
Milk, All <sup>4</sup>	Cwt	9.71	11.55	14.36	13.70

<sup>1</sup> F.O.B. shipping point.

<sup>2</sup> Monthly estimates began January 1995.

<sup>3</sup> Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for Jan, Apr, Jul, and Oct.

<sup>4</sup> Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

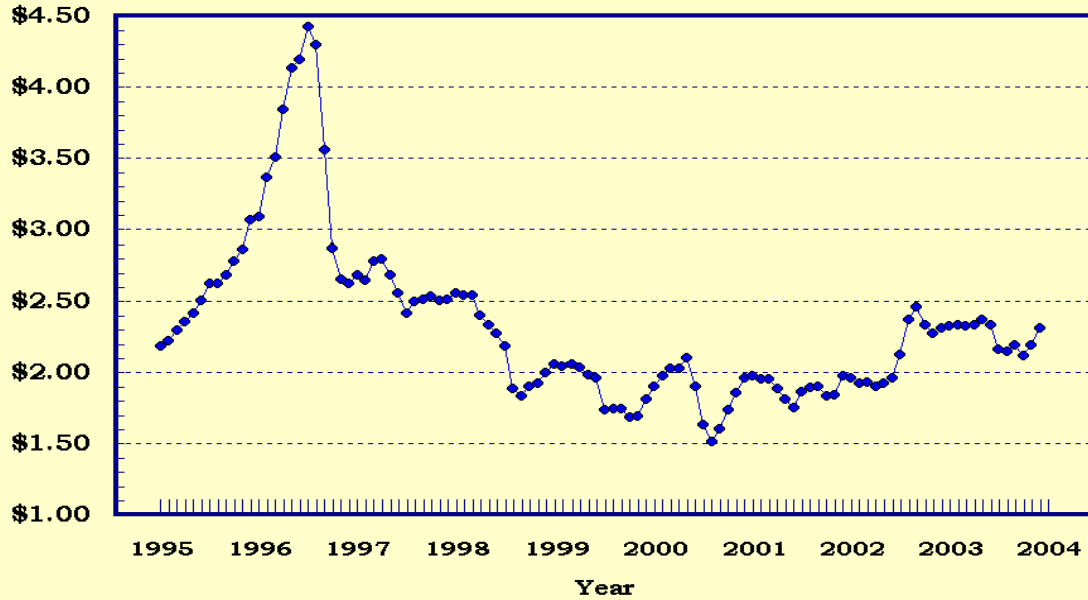
<sup>5</sup> December 2003 Fat test percent: all milk 3.79, fluid milk 3.79, mfg grade 3.97.

<sup>6</sup> Equivalent liveweight returns to producers for most States. Includes growers and contractors.

<sup>7</sup> Mid-month price.

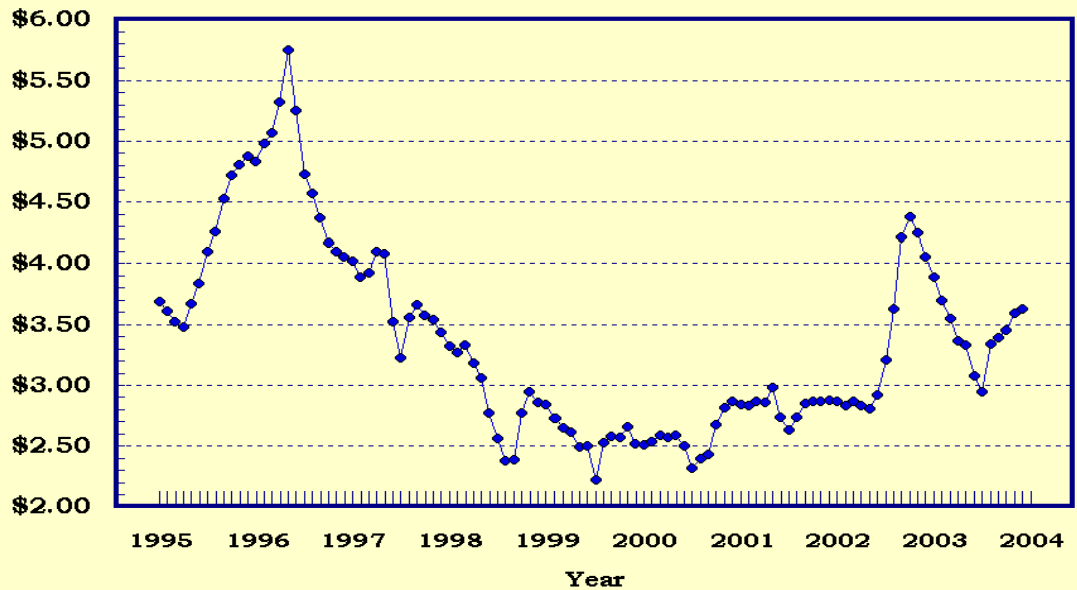
## Prices Received, Corn, US

Dollars per Bu



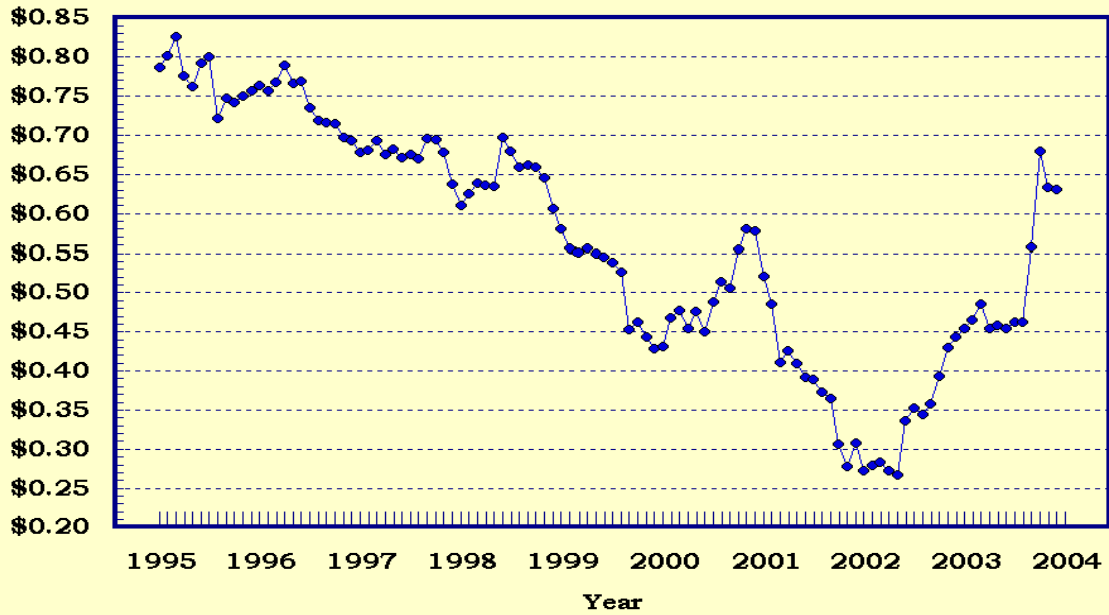
## Prices Received, Wheat, US

Dollars per Bu



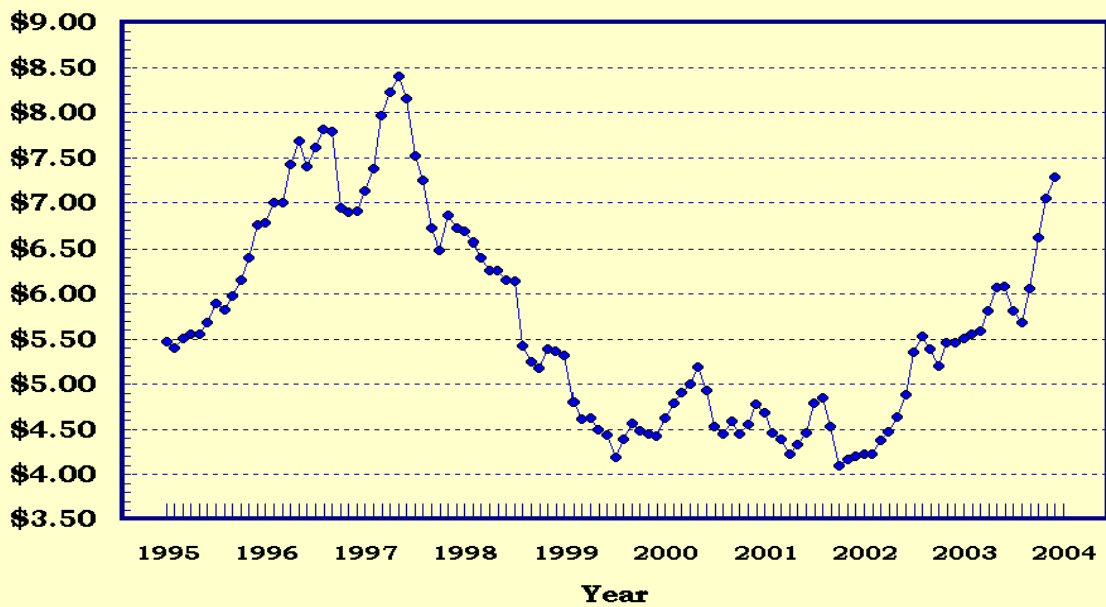
## Prices Received, Cotton, US

Dollars per Lb



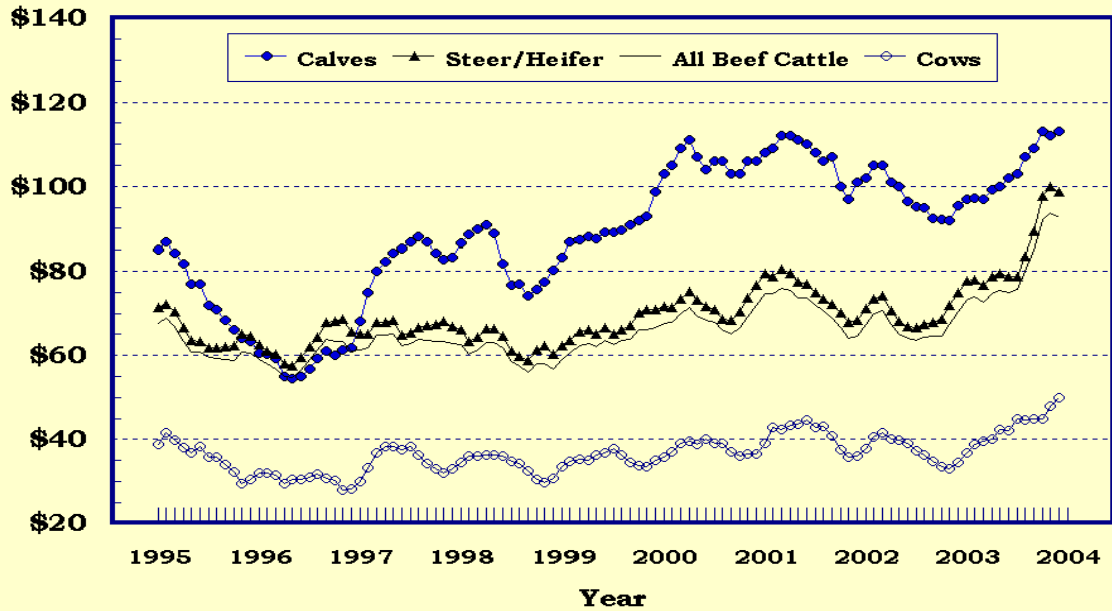
## Prices Received, Soybeans, US

Dollars per Bu



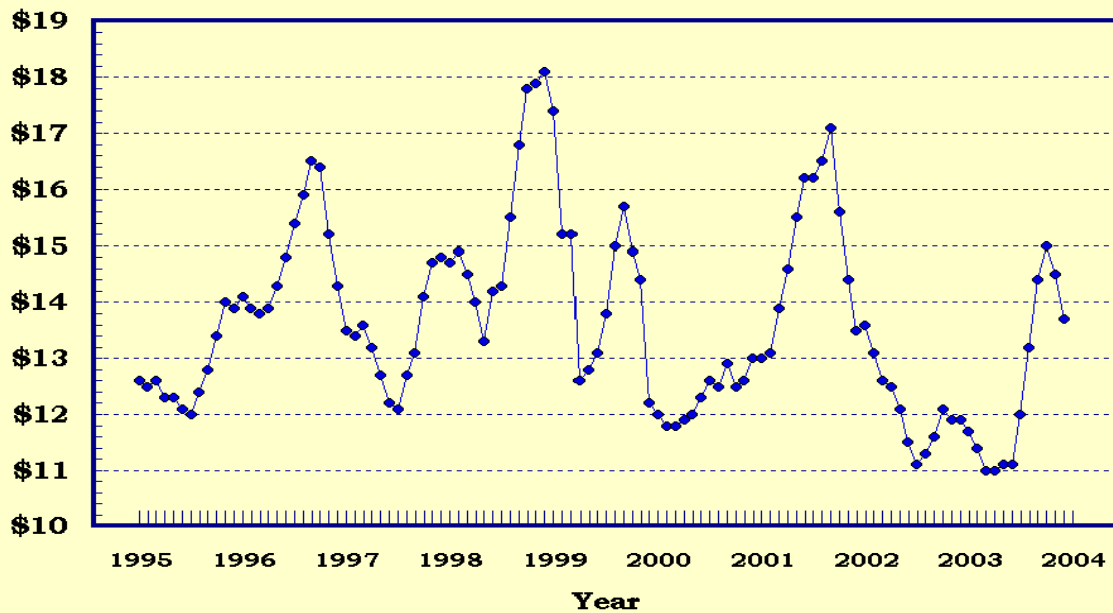
## Prices Received, Cattle, US

Dollars per Cwt



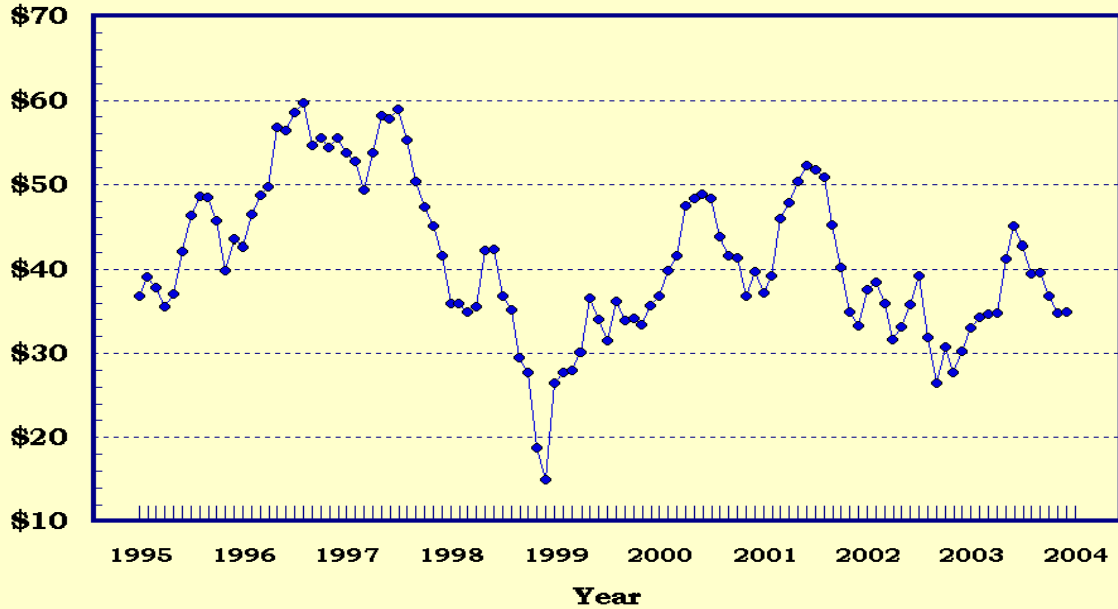
## Prices Received, Milk, US

Dollars per Cwt



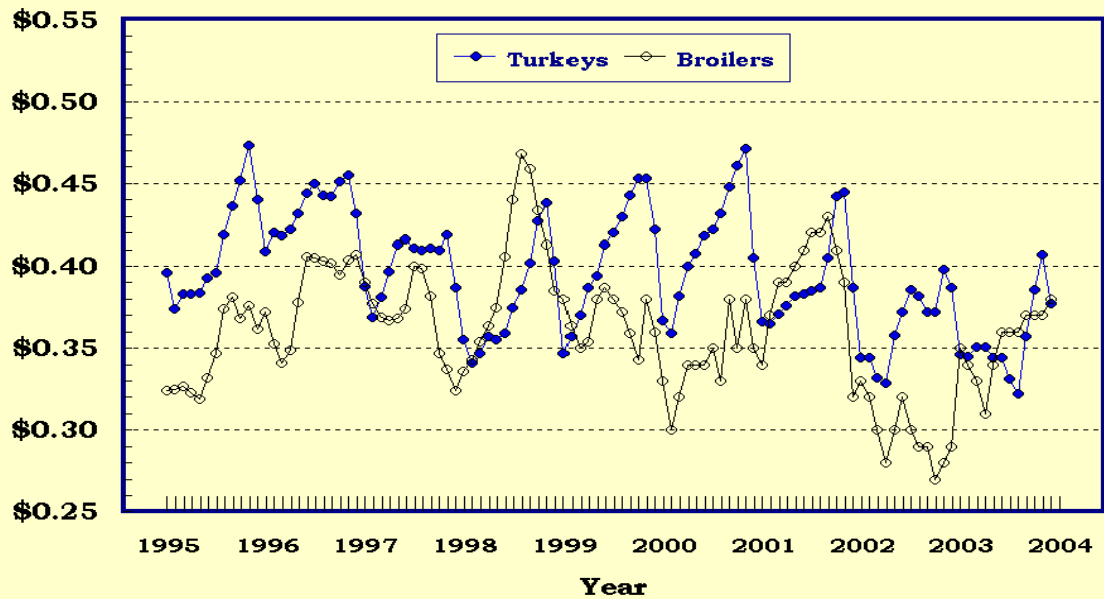
## Prices Received, Hogs, US

Dollars per Cwt



## Prices Received, Turkeys & Broilers, US

Dollars per Lb



**Wheat: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	All Wheat		Winter Wheat		Durum Wheat		Oth Spring Wheat	
	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>
AR	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )				
CA	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )		
CO	3.47	3.57	3.46	3.57			3.87	( <sup>4</sup> )
ID	3.41	3.44	3.23	3.30			3.68	3.70
IL	3.68	3.70	3.68	3.70				
IN	3.69	3.60	3.69	3.60				
KS	3.58	3.66	3.58	3.66				
MI	3.51	3.50	3.51	3.50				
MN	3.61	3.51	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )			3.61	3.51
MO	3.54	3.55	3.54	3.55				
MT	3.77	3.70	3.65	3.60	3.94	3.88	3.83	3.75
NE	3.44	3.60	3.44	3.60				
ND	3.62	3.63	3.24	3.27	3.89	3.82	3.57	3.60
OH	3.59	3.62	3.59	3.62				
OK	3.65	3.68	3.65	3.68				
OR	3.60	3.68	3.56	3.65			3.84	3.90
SD	3.44	3.55	3.35	3.50			3.64	3.67
TX	3.41	3.40	3.41	3.40				
WA	3.73	3.79	3.67	3.72			3.95	4.04
US	3.59	3.63	3.55	3.62	3.91	3.84	3.67	3.63

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month.

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

<sup>4</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Prices Received for Selected Agricultural Commodities, by Months,  
United States, 2002 and 2003 <sup>2</sup>**

Month	All Wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef Cattle <sup>1</sup>		All Hogs	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
Jan	2.87	3.89	1.97	2.33	4.22	5.51	67.40	73.20	37.60	33.00
Feb	2.83	3.70	1.93	2.34	4.22	5.55	70.00	74.00	38.50	34.40
Mar	2.87	3.55	1.94	2.33	4.38	5.59	70.60	72.70	36.00	34.70
Apr	2.83	3.37	1.91	2.34	4.47	5.82	67.30	74.60	31.70	34.80
May	2.81	3.33	1.93	2.38	4.64	6.07	65.10	75.50	33.20	41.30
Jun	2.92	3.08	1.97	2.34	4.88	6.09	64.00	74.90	35.80	45.00
Jul	3.21	2.95	2.13	2.17	5.35	5.82	63.70	75.80	39.20	42.80
Aug	3.63	3.34	2.38	2.15	5.53	5.68	64.40	79.90	31.90	39.50
Sep	4.21	3.39	2.47	2.20	5.39	6.06	64.50	85.10	26.50	39.60
Oct	4.38	3.45	2.34	2.12	5.20	6.61	64.60	92.00	30.80	36.80
Nov	4.25	3.59	2.28	2.20	5.46	7.05	67.30	93.70	27.80	34.80
Dec	4.06	3.63	2.32	2.32	5.46	7.29	70.40	92.70	30.30	34.90

<sup>1</sup> Cows, steers and heifers.

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

**Grains: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

Month	All Barley <sup>1</sup>		Corn		Oats		Soybeans		Sorghum Grain	
	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
AL										
AR										
CA										
CO	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>5</sup> )								
CO	3.07	3.06	2.30	2.48						
ID	3.11	3.10								
IL			2.21	2.30	1.48	( <sup>5</sup> )	6.94	7.20	4.16	4.20
IN			2.25	2.39			7.25	7.64		
IA			2.15	2.30	1.83	1.65	7.15	7.40		
KS			2.45	2.51			7.35	7.35	4.06	4.19
KY			2.39	2.50			7.24	7.70		
LA							7.41	7.50		
MI			2.09	2.30	1.63	1.60	6.96	7.30		
MN	2.66	2.66	2.07	2.19	1.32	1.35	6.99	7.01		
MS							6.64	7.31		
MO			2.30	2.40			7.12	7.30	4.04	4.15
MT	2.57	2.90			( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )				
NE			2.20	2.31	1.13	1.30	7.11	7.30	4.05	4.18
NC			2.41	2.75			7.01	7.22		
ND	2.81	2.03	2.03	2.15	1.13	1.13	6.87	6.91		
OH			2.17	2.35	1.67	1.70	7.08	7.21		
OK									4.16	4.31
OR	2.65	2.60			( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )				
PA			2.66	2.78	( <sup>4</sup> )	1.72				
SD	2.37	( <sup>5</sup> )	2.02	2.22	1.27	1.49	6.95	7.26		
TN			2.43	2.70			6.91	7.75		
TX			2.54	2.60					4.29	4.28
UT	2.28	2.31								
WA	2.67	2.55								
WI			2.11	2.20	1.43	1.40	6.71	6.80		
WY	3.53	3.25								
US	2.86	2.41	2.20	2.32	1.32	1.36	7.05	7.29	4.13	4.21

<sup>1</sup> The Three-State (MN, ND and SD) Feed Barley price for December 2003 is \$1.83.

<sup>2</sup> Entire month.

<sup>3</sup> Mid-month.

<sup>4</sup> Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

<sup>5</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Malting and Feed Barley: Prices Received Selected States,  
November and December 2003**

State	Malting Barley		Feed Barley	
	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>
ID	3.26	3.30	2.33	2.30
MN	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	1.80	1.81
MT	2.97	3.63	2.16	2.13
ND	2.99	2.27	1.98	1.83
SD	2.37	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )
WY	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	1.88	1.90

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month.

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

<sup>4</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Field Crops: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	Dry Edible Beans		All Sunflowers		Flaxseed		Tobacco		Peanuts <sup>4</sup>	
	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>
AL									0.186	0.184
CA	35.20	37.60								
CO	17.90	17.50								
FL									( <sup>5</sup> )	( <sup>5</sup> )
GA									0.187	0.186
ID	20.20	19.80								
IN							1.960	1.930		
KS			( <sup>5</sup> )	( <sup>5</sup> )						
KY							1.990	1.985		
MD										
MI	18.80	18.20								
MN	21.20	( <sup>5</sup> )	13.20	13.50						
MO										
NE	16.40	15.40								
NC							1.915	1.945	0.192	0.204
ND	15.30	15.60	12.20	12.30	6.06	5.97				
OH							1.975	1.955		
OK										
SC										
SD			10.50	11.00	5.86	( <sup>6</sup> )				
TN							1.985	1.965		
TX									( <sup>5</sup> )	( <sup>5</sup> )
VA							1.885	1.810	( <sup>5</sup> )	( <sup>5</sup> )
WV										
US	19.20	18.70	11.60	12.00	6.06	5.97	1.985	1.975	0.184	0.189

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month.

<sup>3</sup> Based on sales through first half of month.

<sup>4</sup> In-Shell.

<sup>5</sup> Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

<sup>6</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Tobacco: Prices Received, by Area and Type, December 2003, with Comparisons**

Class by Type	Type	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003 <sup>1</sup>
		<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>
Total Flue-cured Area <sup>2</sup>	11-14		1.775	
Fire-cured				
VA Belt <sup>3</sup>	21	1.900		1.660
Total Fire-cured	21-23	1.900		1.660
Light Air-cured				
Burley	31	1.980	1.990	1.980
Total Light Air-cured	31-32	1.980	1.990	1.980
Dark Air-cured				
One Sucker Belt <sup>3</sup>	35	2.345		1.520
Green River Belt <sup>3</sup>	36	2.135		1.935
Sun-cured Belt <sup>3</sup>	37	1.820		1.870
Total Dark Air-cured	35-37	2.285		1.755
US	11-37	1.995	1.985	1.975

<sup>1</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.

<sup>2</sup> Markets closed in November of both 2002 and 2003.

<sup>3</sup> Markets opened in December 2003.



**Field Crops and Apples: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	Cotton, Upland		December				Apples Fresh Use <sup>1 4</sup> <i>Dol/Lb</i>
	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Cotton- seed <sup>5</sup> <i>Dollars per Ton</i>	Hay, Baled <sup>3</sup>			
				All <i>Dollars per Ton</i>	Alfalfa <i>Dollars per Ton</i>	Other <i>Dollars per Ton</i>	
	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Ton</i>	<i>Dollars per Ton</i>	<i>Dollars per Ton</i>	<i>Dollars per Ton</i>	
AL	0.597	( <sup>6</sup> )	97.00				
AZ	0.704	0.695	148.00	80.00	80.00	78.00	
AR	0.652	0.681	( <sup>6</sup> )				
CA	0.770	( <sup>6</sup> )	155.00	91.00	99.00	63.00	0.266
CO				85.00	85.00	90.00	
GA	0.622	0.618	96.00				
ID				91.00	92.00	68.00	
IL				89.00	94.00	69.00	
IA				82.00	84.00	61.00	
KS				65.00	73.00	56.00	
KY				74.00	110.00	64.00	
LA	0.635	0.626	( <sup>7</sup> )				
MI				99.00	100.00	85.00	0.180
MN				70.00	73.00	54.00	
MS	0.620	0.624	112.00				
MO				66.00	109.00	53.00	
MT				76.00	77.00	68.00	
NE				53.00	54.00	50.00	
NV				90.00	87.00	118.00	
NM				135.00	138.00	113.00	
NY				109.00	140.00	95.00	0.227
NC	0.661	0.650	108.00				
ND				55.00	60.00	43.00	
OH				104.00	143.00	66.00	0.300
OK				82.00	97.00	59.00	
OR				93.00	96.00	83.00	
PA				141.00	156.00	129.00	0.202
SD				61.00	64.00	49.00	
TN	0.624	0.614	( <sup>6</sup> )				
TX	0.611	0.607	137.00	68.00	150.00	60.00	
UT				86.00	87.00	76.00	
VA							0.270
WA				94.00	85.00	120.00	0.303
WI				97.00	100.00	75.00	
WY				79.00	79.00	73.00	
US	0.634	0.631	127.00	81.30	87.90	66.90	0.285

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

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

<sup>3</sup> Mid-month.

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

<sup>5</sup> Marketing year August - February.

<sup>6</sup> Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

<sup>7</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,  
United States, December 2003, with Comparisons**

Item	Unit	Oct 2003 <sup>1</sup>	Nov 2003 <sup>1</sup>	Dec 2003 <sup>2</sup>
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars per Pound	0.680	0.634	0.631
Marketings <sup>3</sup>	1,000 Bales	1,783	1,912	NA
Rice				
Average Price	Dollars per Cwt	6.44	6.99	7.25
Marketings <sup>4</sup>	1,000 Cwt	19,247	11,750	NA

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

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

<sup>3</sup> Expanded data from sample of about 65 percent of buyers.

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

**Citrus Fruit: Prices and Equivalent Returns, by Utilization,  
by State and United States, December 2003**

Commodity, State and Type	F.O.B. Packed Fresh	Equivalent Returns <sup>1</sup>					
		Packinghouse-door			On-tree		
		All	Fresh	Process	All	Fresh	Process
	<i>Dollars per Box</i>	<i>Dollars per Box</i>	<i>Dollars per Box</i>	<i>Dollars per Box</i>	<i>Dollars per Box</i>	<i>Dollars per Box</i>	<i>Dollars per Box</i>
Grapefruit							
AZ	15.40	8.89	8.89		6.57	6.57	
CA	18.90	10.83	12.39	-0.27	8.51	10.07	-2.59
FL	14.50	4.74	6.63	1.60	2.34	4.37	-1.04
White	16.10	4.15	7.30	1.60	1.80	5.00	-0.80
Colored	14.20	4.91	6.50	1.60	2.50	4.25	-1.15
TX	16.10	5.61	6.11	0.80	4.45	4.94	-0.32
US	15.00	5.07	6.70	1.54	2.89	4.70	-1.01
Lemons							
AZ	22.70	7.93	12.60	0.20	3.58	8.25	-4.15
CA	24.40	8.33	14.30	0.20	3.98	9.95	-4.15
US	23.60	8.15	13.51	0.20	3.80	9.16	-4.15
Oranges							
AZ							
Navel and Misc	18.50	6.94	11.12	-0.18	4.48	8.66	-2.64
CA							
Navel and Misc	20.10	11.91	12.72	0.38	9.45	10.26	-2.08
FL							
Early and Mids	14.80	3.87	7.30	3.65	1.76	5.15	1.55
TX							
Early and Mids	15.00	4.37	4.91	2.57	3.03	3.56	1.27
US	17.80	4.56	10.32	3.62	2.44	8.02	1.52
Tangelos							
FL	17.00	6.85	8.60	2.25	4.52	6.30	-0.15
Tangerines							
AZ	24.70	17.64	17.64		15.15	15.15	
CA	32.70	21.70	25.64	0.32	19.21	23.15	-2.17
FL	21.00	8.93	11.50	2.80	5.23	8.10	-1.60
US	23.20	11.27	14.28	2.59	7.82	11.10	-1.65

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

**Potatoes: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	Nov	Dec	State	Nov	Dec
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>		<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
AL			NC		
AZ			ND - All <sup>1</sup>	4.95	4.90
CA - All	13.50	15.00	- Fresh <sup>2</sup>	5.10	NA
- Winter	22.70	18.60	- Processing	4.80	NA
- Spring			OH	7.30	7.20
- Summer			OR	5.10	5.05
- Fall	10.40	9.75	PA	7.55	8.10
CO - All <sup>1</sup>	5.05	5.05	TX		
- Fresh <sup>2</sup>	5.22	NA	VA		
FL			WA - All	5.35	5.10
ID - All <sup>1</sup>	4.30	4.45	- Processing	4.60	NA
- Fresh <sup>2</sup>	4.50	NA	WI - All <sup>1</sup>	5.45	5.25
- Processing	4.20	NA	- Fresh <sup>2</sup>	5.70	NA
ME	5.90	6.00	- Processing	5.30	NA
MI	6.70	7.00			
MN	4.95	4.85	US - All <sup>1</sup>	5.35	5.50
NY	9.00	8.80	- Fresh <sup>2</sup>	6.39	NA
			- Processing	4.82	NA

<sup>1</sup> Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stocks, processing, seed and livestock feed.

<sup>2</sup> Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices.

**Cattle: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	Cows <sup>1</sup>		Steers & Heifers		Beef Cattle <sup>4</sup>		Calves	
	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>	Nov <sup>2</sup>	Dec <sup>3</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
AZ	43.00	49.50	92.30	92.50	91.80	92.10	108.00	109.00
AR	42.30	43.30	90.40	91.60	76.00	77.10	101.00	103.00
CA	44.00	47.00	97.50	98.50	69.10	70.70	101.00	109.00
CO	51.70	53.10	101.00	102.00	101.00	102.00	113.00	118.00
FL	43.00	43.50	84.20	85.00	55.40	56.00	107.00	107.00
GA	45.40	49.40	84.00	85.20	58.10	61.60	102.00	107.00
ID	44.60	47.80	97.30	96.40	79.90	82.80	108.00	109.00
IL	49.00	48.00	105.00	103.00	104.00	102.00	108.00	106.00
IA	48.30	48.00	101.00	95.10	99.90	94.20	99.90	98.50
KS	45.70	48.10	100.00	98.30	98.40	96.80	116.00	115.00
KY	45.00	47.00	87.00	87.00	76.90	77.40	98.00	98.00
LA	44.00	44.50	86.00	88.00	59.10	58.40	101.00	103.00
MI	48.00	50.00	80.00	83.00	70.40	53.90	95.00	94.00
MN	54.30	54.50	100.00	98.50	88.60	87.50	97.60	95.00
MO	46.60	48.60	96.30	97.10	86.40	86.90	106.00	111.00
MT	49.80	51.40	98.50	99.20	88.80	85.80	110.00	114.00
NE	50.50	52.80	103.00	101.00	101.00	99.60	120.00	123.00
NM	48.50	50.70	96.40	98.50	75.80	77.00	111.00	112.00
ND	47.30	49.00	98.70	100.00	80.70	81.60	110.00	110.00
OH	43.10	44.00	87.90	85.00	83.40	80.90	95.10	96.00
OK	47.50	48.20	99.70	98.60	92.40	91.50	110.00	112.00
OR	47.00	47.50	90.00	90.50	77.10	77.60	100.00	100.00
PA	47.30	48.00	98.60	97.60	85.30	84.70	130.00	120.00
SD	49.60	48.50	102.00	99.80	92.60	86.50	115.00	117.00
TN	43.00	45.00	88.00	89.00	70.00	71.40	97.00	98.00
TX	44.30	45.90	97.70	95.70	92.40	90.70	108.00	112.00
VA	38.00	42.00	87.00	88.00	74.30	68.20	97.60	98.50
WI	50.10	52.70	94.50	96.60	68.70	71.10	132.00	127.00
WY	50.10	51.00	105.00	102.00	84.10	86.70	115.00	115.00
US	47.80	49.90	100.00	98.60	93.70	92.70	112.00	113.00

<sup>1</sup> Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

<sup>2</sup> Entire month.

<sup>3</sup> Mid-month.

<sup>4</sup> "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

**Hogs: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	Sows		Barrows and Gilts		All Hogs	
	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Dec <sup>2</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
AR	29.20	28.10	34.90	34.30	34.30	33.70
IL	28.00	27.00	36.50	37.00	35.80	36.20
IN	32.60	31.50	34.10	34.80	34.00	34.50
IA	30.40	29.20	34.00	34.20	34.00	34.10
KS	29.20	28.30	34.80	34.30	34.20	33.60
MI	30.00	29.00	34.00	34.00	33.70	33.60
MN	29.40	28.50	36.30	36.50	36.30	36.40
MO	27.60	27.20	30.70	30.60	30.50	30.40
NE	28.90	28.50	36.50	36.80	36.30	36.60
NC	29.10	28.30	36.00	36.00	35.90	35.90
OH	28.90	28.50	34.70	36.00	34.40	35.60
OK	27.60	26.50	32.00	33.80	31.40	32.80
PA	29.00	28.50	35.90	35.60	34.90	34.50
SD	29.00	27.00	37.40	38.00	36.30	36.80
TX	28.30	29.30	38.90	41.00	37.80	39.20
WI	27.80	27.40	35.60	36.20	34.60	35.10
US	29.40	28.30	35.00	35.30	34.80	34.90

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month.

**Sheep and Poultry: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	November		December
	Sheep <sup>1</sup>	Lambs <sup>1</sup>	Eggs <sup>2 3</sup>
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Dozen</i>
AL			0.730
AR			0.700
CA	40.50	87.50	0.810
CO	39.40	97.80	
CT			0.860
FL			0.750
GA			0.739
ID	37.00	94.00	
IN			0.750
IA	35.80	89.10	0.659
KS	36.00	91.00	
ME			0.950
MI			0.770
MN	32.30	89.90	0.700
MS			0.730
MO			0.650
MT	42.70	116.00	
NE	36.50	90.00	
NY			0.790
NC			0.780
ND	40.00	102.00	
OH	36.30	90.30	0.732
OR	33.50	88.50	
PA			0.750
SC			0.770
SD	47.00	119.00	
TX	47.40	112.00	0.720
UT	34.00	97.00	
WA			0.920
WY	47.50	115.00	
US	40.10	99.20	0.739

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month.

<sup>3</sup> Market (table) eggs.

**Milk and Milk Cows: Prices Received, by States, November and December 2003**

State	November <sup>1</sup>						December		
	Fluid Grade Milk <sup>2</sup>		Manufacturing Grade Milk		All Milk <sup>3</sup>		All Milk <sup>3 4</sup>		Milk Cows <sup>5</sup>
	Price	Fat Test	Price	Fat Test	Price	Fat Test	Price	Fat Test	
	<i>Dol/Cwt</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Dol/Cwt</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Dol/Cwt</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Dol/Cwt</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Dol/Head</i>
AZ	14.00	3.69			14.00	3.69	13.20	3.71	
CA	12.90	3.73	12.60	4.05	12.90	3.73	12.10	3.81	
FL	18.40	3.62			18.40	3.62	18.00	3.62	
ID	13.10	3.76	12.90	3.78	13.10	3.76	12.00	3.79	
IL	15.00	3.80	14.90	3.67	15.00	3.80	14.00	3.80	
IN	14.00	3.78	13.60	3.92	14.00	3.79	13.20	3.81	
IA	15.10	3.84	14.00	3.93	15.10	3.84	14.00	3.82	
KY	15.70	3.69			15.70	3.69	15.00	3.71	
MI	14.70	3.73	12.60	3.76	14.70	3.73	13.90	3.75	
MN	15.00	3.87	13.50	3.92	14.90	3.87	13.60	3.83	
MO	15.00	3.74	14.30	3.91	15.00	3.75	14.40	3.80	
NM	14.00	3.64			14.00	3.64	13.60	3.68	
NY	15.10	3.75			15.10	3.75	14.80	3.75	
OH	14.80	3.78	13.90	3.91	14.80	3.79	14.00	3.81	
PA	16.30	3.75	14.50	4.00	16.30	3.75	15.60	3.80	
TX	15.10	3.75			15.10	3.75	14.80	3.76	
VT	15.30	3.75			15.30	3.75	14.90	3.75	
VA	16.40	3.65			16.40	3.65	16.00	3.65	
WA	14.30	3.82			14.30	3.82	13.30	3.78	
WI	15.10	3.85	14.30	4.02	15.10	3.86	14.00	3.84	
US	14.50	3.76	13.80	3.96	14.50	3.77	13.70	3.79	

<sup>1</sup> Entire month.

<sup>2</sup> Including milk diverted to manufacturing.

<sup>3</sup> Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

<sup>4</sup> Preliminary.

<sup>5</sup> Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published January, April, July and October.

**Parity Price Equivalent for Manufacturing Milk <sup>1</sup>: United States,  
November and December 2003, with Comparisons**

Item	Unit	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
Parity Equivalent	Dollars per Cwt	30.04	30.74	30.92
Average Price F.O.B <sup>2</sup>	Dollars per Cwt	10.70	13.80	12.70
Average Fat Test of Milk <sup>2</sup>	Percent	3.97	3.96	3.97

<sup>1</sup> The parity price equivalent during 2003 is 90.4 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, compared with 90.5 percent in 2002. For additional details, see January 2003 issue of "Agricultural Prices".

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary for December 2003.

**United States Parity Prices for Farm Products and Average Prices Received as  
Percent of Parity Prices Based on Data for December 2003, with Comparisons <sup>1</sup>**

Commodity and Unit	Adjusted Base Prices	Parity Prices Based on Data for			Prices as Percent of Parity		
		Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
<b>Basic Commodities</b>							
All Wheat, Bu	0.569	9.67	9.82	9.88	42	37	37
Rice, Cwt	1.56	25.90	26.90	27.10	16	26	27
Corn, Bu	0.389	6.55	6.71	6.75	35	33	34
Cotton, Lb							
American Upland	0.100	1.65	1.73	1.74	27	37	36
Extra Long Staple	0.140	2.34	2.42	2.43			
Peanuts, Lb	0.0388	0.670	0.670	0.674	26	27	28
Tobacco, By Type, Lb							
Flue-Cured 11-14	0.256	4.26	4.42	4.44		40	
VA Fire-Cured, 21	0.259	4.29	4.47	4.50	44		37
KY-TN Fire-Cured, 22-23	0.320	5.33	5.52	5.56			
Burley, 31	0.275	4.58	4.75	4.77	43	42	42
Maryland, 32	0.218	3.67	3.76	3.78			
Dark Air-Cured, 35-36	0.276	4.51	4.76	4.79	51		
Sun-Cured, 37	0.243	3.99	4.19	4.22	46		44
PA Seedleaf, 41	0.199	3.14	3.43	3.45			
Cigar Filler & Binder, 42-44, 54-55	0.221	3.64	3.81	3.84			
Puerto Rican Filler, 46	0.163	2.89	2.81	2.83			
Cigar Binder, 51-52	0.719	11.30	12.40	12.50			
<b>Designated Nonbasic</b>							
All Milk, Sold to Plants, Per Cwt <sup>2</sup>	1.97	33.20	34.00	34.20	35	42	40
Honey, Extracted, Lb <sup>3</sup>	0.0938	1.55	1.62	1.63			
<b>Wool and Mohair</b>							
Wool, Lb	0.0910	1.59	1.57	1.58			
Mohair, Lb	0.325	5.26	5.61	5.64			
<b>Other Nonbasic</b>							
Barley, Bu	0.385	6.43	6.65	6.68	45	43	36
Cottonseed, Ton	15.60	262.00	269.00	271.00	39	45	47
Dry Edible Beans, Cwt	2.97	48.40	51.30	51.60	33	37	36
Flaxseed, Bu	0.703	11.40	12.10	12.20	52	50	49
Oats, Bu	0.243	3.99	4.19	4.22	49	32	32
Potatoes, Cwt	0.813	13.60	14.00	14.10	49	38	39
Rye, Bu	0.343	5.69	5.92	5.95			
Sorghum Grain, Cwt	0.658	11.10	11.40	11.40	39	36	37
Soybeans Bu	0.851	14.30	14.70	14.80	38	48	49
Sweetpotatoes, Cwt	2.19	36.40	37.80	38.00			
Apples, Fresh, Lb <sup>4</sup>	0.0287	0.483	0.495	0.498	54	55	57
Citrus (equiv on-tree), Box							
Grapefruit	0.388	7.36	6.70	6.74	31	55	43
Lemons	1.10	18.00	19.00	19.10	33	33	20
Oranges	0.570	10.70	9.84	9.90	30	23	25
Tangerines	1.46	25.90	25.20	25.30	39	22	31
Temples (FL)	0.463	8.80	7.99	8.04			
Beef Cattle, Cwt	9.46	160.00	163.00	164.00	44	57	57
Calves, Cwt	12.70	212.00	219.00	220.00	45	51	51
Hogs, Cwt	6.03	103.00	104.00	105.00	29	33	33
Lambs, Cwt	10.90	180.00	188.00	189.00	48	53	
Sheep, Cwt	4.65	76.30	80.30	80.70	51	50	
Eggs, Doz <sup>2</sup>	0.0933	1.56	1.61	1.62	37	65	48
Turkeys, Live, Lb	0.0579	0.972	0.999	1.010	40	41	37

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**Parity Prices Based on Data for December 2003, United States <sup>1</sup> (continued)**

Other Nonbasic Commodities	Adj Base Prices	Parity Prices	Other Nonbasic Commodities	Adj Base Prices	Parity Prices
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Field Crops and Misc Commodities			Noncitrus Fruit		
Hops, Lb	0.255	4.43	Peaches, cont.		
Spearmint Oil, Lb	1.59	27.60	Processing <sup>5</sup>		
Tobacco, Lb			Excl Dried		
Type 61	2.51	43.60	Clingstone, CA, Ton	33.00	573.00
Noncitrus Fruit			Pears, Ton		
Apples, Ton <sup>6</sup>			Fresh <sup>4</sup>	51.70	898.00
Processing	18.00	312.00	Dried, CA <sup>6</sup>	161.00	2,790.00
Apricots, Ton			Plums, CA, Ton		
Fresh <sup>7</sup>	103.00	1,790.00	Fresh, Equiv on-Tree	57.20	993.00
Dried, CA	284.00	4,930.00	Prunes, Dried, CA, Ton <sup>6</sup>	132.00	2,290.00
Avocados, Ton <sup>7</sup>	218.00	3,780.00	Prunes and Plums, Excl CA, Ton		
Cherries Bbl			Fresh <sup>9</sup>	53.50	929.00
Sweet, Ton	181.00	3,140.00	Processing <sup>6</sup>	24.90	432.00
Tart, Lb	0.0229	0.398	Excl Dried		
Cranberry, Bbl <sup>5</sup>	6.23	108.00	Tree Nuts <sup>10</sup>		
Dates, CA, Ton <sup>7</sup>	161.00	2,790.00	Almonds, Lb	0.211	3.66
Grapes, Ton			Hazelnuts, Ton	124.00	2,150.00
Raisin Variety	130.00	2,260.00	Pistachio, Lb	0.160	2.78
Other Dried	68.50	1,190.00	Walnuts, Ton	181.00	3,140.00
Kiwifruit, Ton	74.00	1,280.00	Vegetables, Cwt <sup>11</sup>		
Nectarines			Fresh		
Fresh, CA, Ton <sup>7</sup>	64.10	1,110.00	Carrots <sup>8</sup>	2.11	36.60
Olives, CA			Cauliflower <sup>8</sup>	4.53	78.60
canning, Ton <sup>5</sup>	96.80	1,680.00	Celery <sup>8</sup>	2.00	34.70
Papayas (HA)	0.0508	0.882	Honeydew Melons	2.78	48.30
Peaches			Lettuce	2.47	42.90
Fresh, Lb <sup>4</sup>	0.0397	0.689	Onions <sup>8</sup>	1.66	28.80
Dried, CA, Ton	97.00	1,680.00	Tomatoes	4.31	74.80

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, NY (apples only), OR (except peaches), and WA. Price at point of first sale for other states.

<sup>5</sup> Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point.

<sup>6</sup> Equivalent returns at processing plant door.

<sup>7</sup> Equivalent returns at packinghouse door.

<sup>8</sup> Includes some processing.

<sup>9</sup> Based on "as sold" prices for fresh fruit in all states.

<sup>10</sup> Prices in-shell basis except almonds which are shelled basis.

<sup>11</sup> F.O.B. shipping point prices.

## 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 preliminary price represents a 3-5 day period around the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 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 December Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 130 (1990-92=100), unchanged from November 2003 but 4.0 percent above December 2002.

**PRODUCTION INDEX:** The index, at 128, is up 0.8 percent from last month and 5.8 percent above last year. Higher prices in December for complete feeds, feed concentrates, feed grains, and nitrogen fertilizers more than offset lower prices for feeder cattle and gasoline.

**Feed:** The index, at 129, is 6.6 percent more than November and 13 percent above last December. Since November, higher prices for complete feeds, feed concentrates, feed grains, and hay and forages account for the increase.

**Livestock & Poultry:** The index for livestock and poultry purchases, at 119, is 2.5 percent lower than last month but 9.2 percent above last year. The December feeder cattle price, at \$103.00 per cwt, is down \$3.90 per cwt from the November price.

**Fertilizer:** The index, at 127, is up 0.8 percent from November and 17 percent more than December a year ago. Since November, prices are higher for nitrogen fertilizers, mixed fertilizers, and potash and phosphate materials.

**Agricultural Chemicals:** The index, at 122, is unchanged from last month but 0.8 percent above last December. Prices in December are slightly higher for herbicides, insecticides, and other chemicals.

**Fuels:** The index, at 137, is unchanged from a month earlier but 11 percent above December 2002. Compared to last month, prices are slightly lower for gasoline but slightly higher for diesel fuel and LP gas.

**Farm Machinery:** The index is 150, unchanged from November but 0.7 percent above last December.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX:** The November 2003 Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) decreased 0.3 percent before seasonal adjustment to a level of 184.5 (1982-84=100). This compares to the October index of 185.0. For the 12-month period ending in November, the overall index has increased 1.8 percent.

**Indexes of Prices Paid by Farmers and Related Parity Ratios  
United States, December 2003 With Comparisons**

Indexes and Ratios	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	2002	2003		2002	2003	
	Dec	Nov	Dec	Dec	Nov	Dec
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PPITW)	1,666	*1,727	1,736	125	130	130
Production	1,173	*1,230	1,239	121	*127	128
Feed	555	*592	629	114	*121	129
Livestock and Poultry	1,394	1,564	1,518	109	122	119
Seeds	1,426	1,553	1,553	144	157	157
Fertilizer	400	462	464	109	126	127
Agricultural Chemicals	750	*753	755	121	122	122
Fuels	950	*1,058	1,054	123	*137	137
Supplies & Repairs	935	*947	947	132	*133	133
Autos & Trucks	3,099	*3,040	3,066	117	*114	115
Farm Machinery	3,730	*3,760	3,762	149	*150	150
Building Material	1,652	*1,701	1,705	122	125	126
Farm Services & Rent	1,425	*1,442	1,442			
Rent				120	*122	122
Interest <sup>1</sup>	2,615	2,599	2,599	104	104	104
Taxes <sup>2</sup>	3,378	3,426	3,426	126	128	128
Wage Rates	5,783	5,848	5,848	155	156	156
Production, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PITW)	1,654	*1,722	1,732	123	128	129
Family Living-CPI <sup>3</sup>	1,718	*1,752	1,752	134	137	137
Ratio (Received/Paid)				80	90	88
Parity Ratio <sup>4</sup>	38	43	42			
Parity Ratio Adjusted <sup>5</sup>	41	47	46			
PPITW Adjusted for Productivity <sup>6</sup>	1151	*1175	1177			
Crop Sector (PPITW)				127	*131	131
Livestock Sector (PPITW)				123	*128	129
Farm Sector (Production)				117	*127	130
Non-Farm Sector (Production)				123	127	127

\* Revised.

<sup>1</sup> Interest per acre on farm real estate debt and interest rate on farm non-real estate debt.

<sup>2</sup> Farm real estate taxes payable per acre.

<sup>3</sup> Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), for the previous month converted by the USDA.

<sup>4</sup> Ratio of index of prices received to PPITW (1910-14=100).

<sup>5</sup> Based on estimated cash receipts, from marketings and government payments, the preliminary adjustment factor is 1.086 for 2003 and the revised factor is 1.069 for 2002.

<sup>6</sup> 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, December 2003 With Comparisons**

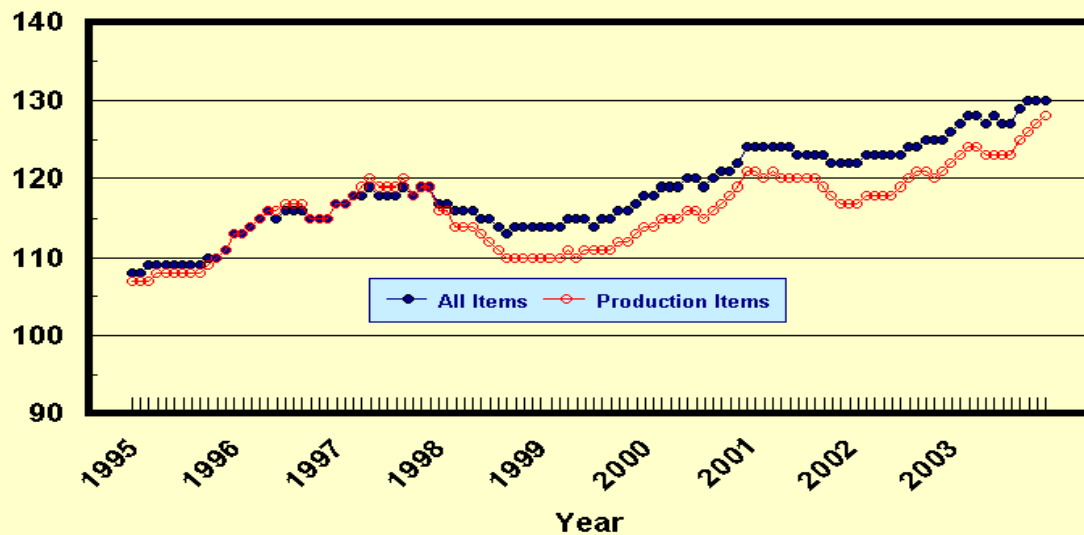
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	2002	2003	2002	2003	
	Percent	Percent	Dec (1990-92=100)	Nov (1990-92=100)	Dec (1990-92=100)
Production Items	66.9	66.7	121	*127	128
Feed	11.3	11.0	114	*121	129
Feed Grains	1.6	1.6	102	*97	101
Complete Feeds	5.5	5.4	115	*121	128
Hay/Forages	1.4	1.4	120	105	106
Concentrates	1.8	1.7	104	*150	170
Supplements	0.9	0.9	135	*138	138
Livestock & Poultry	6.8	7.2	109	122	119
Feeder Cattle	5.3	5.6	105	126	122
Feeder Pigs	0.5	0.6	126	94	94
Milk Cow Replacements	0.6	0.6	127	121	121
Poultry	0.4	0.4	111	111	111
Seeds	3.1	3.2	144	157	157
Field Crops	2.8	2.9	147	162	162
Grasses/Legumes	0.3	0.3	118	109	109
Fertilizer	4.7	4.5	109	126	127
Mixed Fertilizer	2.1	2.0	106	113	114
Nitrogen	2.0	1.9	115	145	146
Potash & Phosphate	0.7	0.6	102	*109	110
Agricultural Chemicals	3.9	3.8	121	122	122
Herbicides	2.5	2.4	112	113	113
Insecticides	0.9	0.9	144	*149	150
Fungicides/Other	0.6	0.5	124	*116	116
Fuels	2.7	2.7	123	*137	137
Diesel	1.5	1.5	121	*132	133
Gasoline	0.8	0.8	113	*133	130
LP Gas	0.4	0.4	152	*166	167
Farm Supplies & Repairs	5.5	5.5	132	*133	133
Supplies	1.8	1.8	124	125	125
Repairs	3.7	3.6	136	*138	138
Autos & Trucks	1.7	1.8	117	*114	115
Autos	0.2	0.2	110	*108	108
Trucks	1.5	1.5	117	*115	116
Farm Machinery	4.0	4.0	149	*150	150
Tractors	0.9	0.9	140	143	143
Self-Propelled	1.6	1.6	148	*149	149
Other Machinery	1.5	1.5	155	155	155
Building Materials	3.1	3.1	122	125	126
Farm Services	12.3	12.4	120	*122	122
Custom Rates	1.3	1.3	120	125	125
Other Services	11.1	11.1	120	122	122
Rent	7.7	7.4	119	120	120
Cash	4.2	4.0	143	145	145
Share	3.6	3.4	91	91	91
Interest	4.8	4.7	104	104	104
Taxes	3.0	3.0	126	128	128
Wage Rates	7.3	7.4	155	156	156
Family Living-CPI	18.0	18.2	134	137	137

\* Revised.

<sup>1</sup> Weights may not add due to rounding.

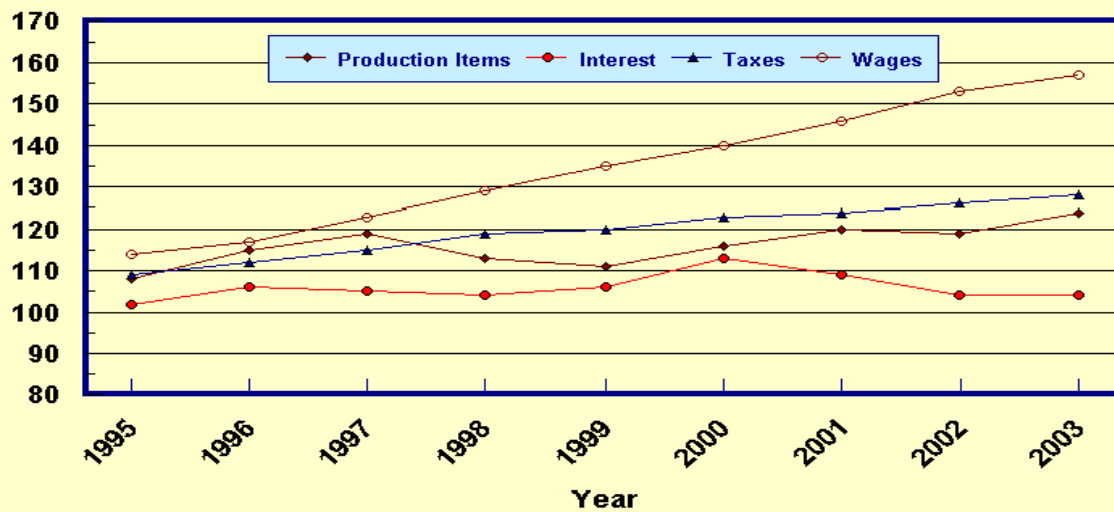
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Percent (1990-92=100)



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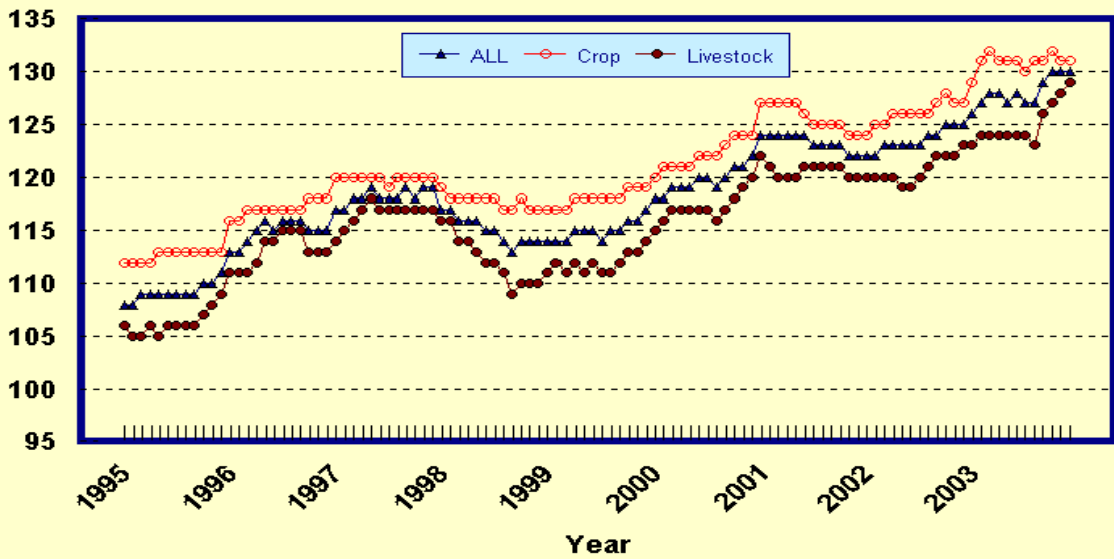
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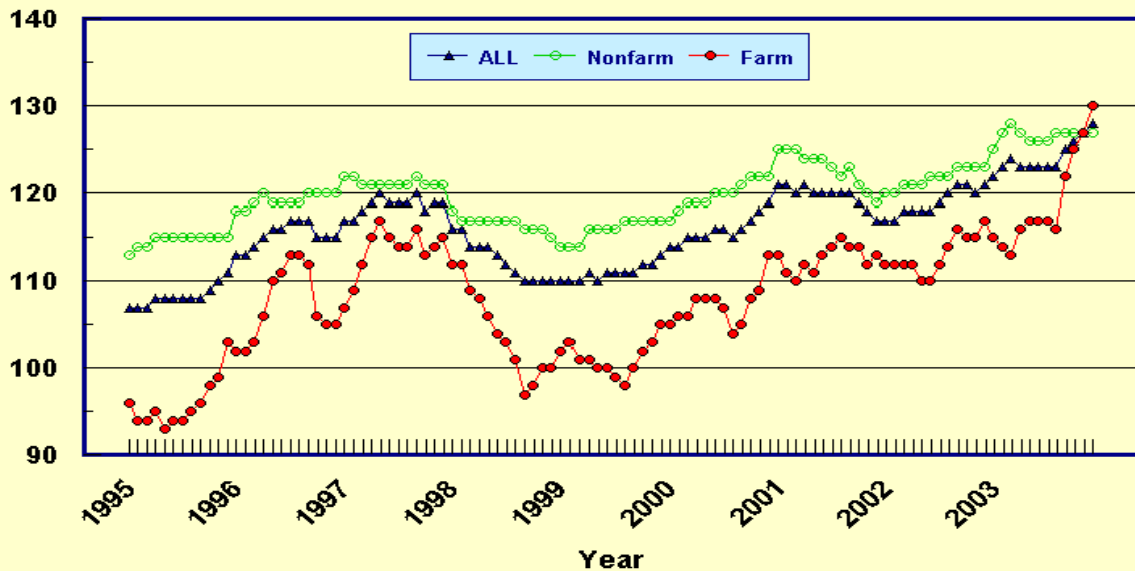
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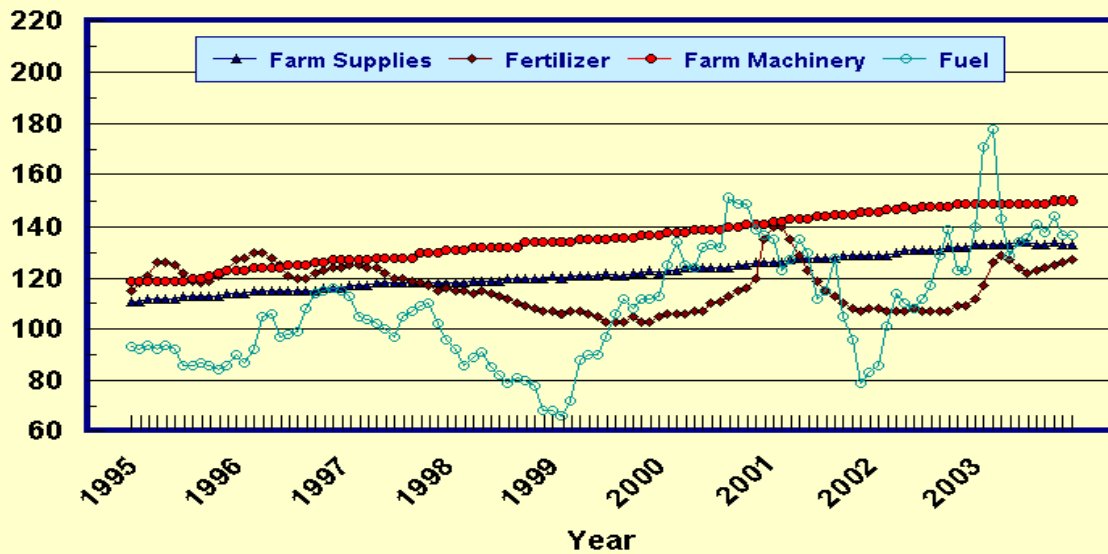
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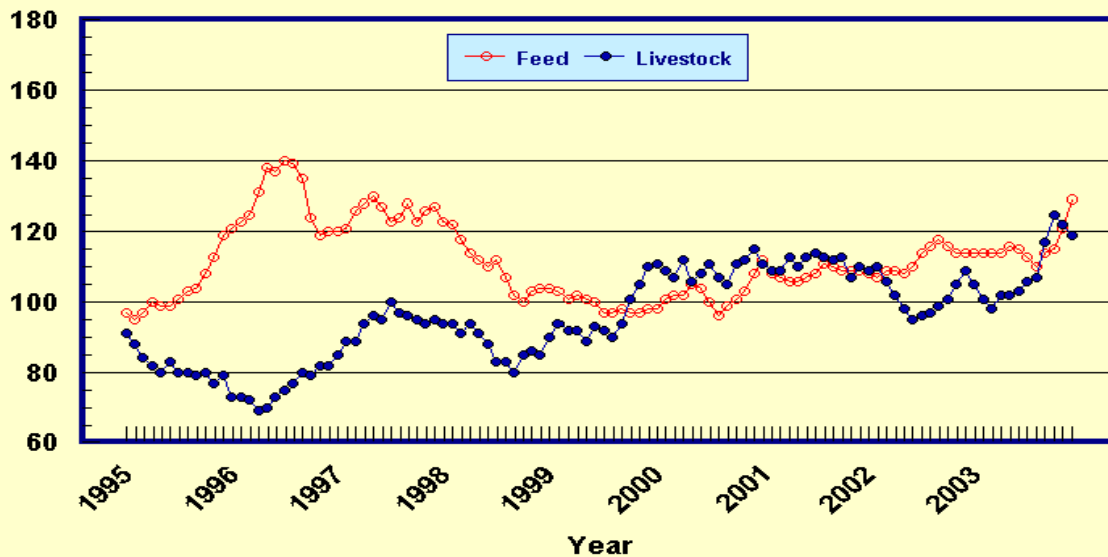
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Percent (1990-92=100)



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

Percent (1990-92=100)





**Feed Price Ratios: United States, December 2003 with Comparisons**

Feed Price Ratio <sup>1</sup>	2002	2003	
	Dec	Nov	Dec
Broiler-Feed: Pounds of Broiler Grower Feed equal in value to 1 pound of broiler, live weight	4.7	*5.1	5.1
Market Egg Feed: Pounds of Laying Feed equal in Value to 1 dozen eggs	8.9	*15.7	12.0
Hog-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of hog, live weight	13.1	*15.8	15.0
Milk-Feed: Pounds of 16% Mixed Dairy Feed equal in value to 1 pound of Whole Milk	2.44	*3.05	2.80
Steer & Heifer-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of Steer & Heifers, live weight	32.3	*45.5	42.5
Turkey-Feed: Pounds of Turkey Grower equal in value to 1 pound of Turkey, live weight	6.4	*6.2	5.6

\* Revised.

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

**Prices Used to Calculate Feed Price Ratios:  
United States, December 2003 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	2002	2003	
		Dec	Nov	Dec
Broilers, Live	Lb	0.290	0.370	0.380
Eggs, Market	Doz	0.480	0.926	0.739
Hogs, All	Cwt	30.30	34.80	34.90
Milk, All	Cwt	11.90	*14.50	13.70
Steers and Heifers	Cwt	75.00	*100.00	98.60
Turkeys, Live	Lb	0.387	0.407	0.377
Corn	Bu	2.32	*2.20	2.32
Hay, Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	99.20	88.00	87.90
Soybeans	Bu	5.46	*7.05	7.29
Wheat, All	Bu	4.06	*3.59	3.63

\* Revised.

**Feeder Livestock: Prices Paid, United States  
December 2003 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	2002	2003	
		Dec	Nov	Dec
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Feeders and Stockers Cattle and Calves	Cwt	89.20	106.90	103.00
Feeder Pigs	Cwt	116.00	86.00	86.00

**Feed: April Prices Paid, United States, 1998-2003 <sup>1</sup>**

Item	Unit	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Alfalfa Meal	Cwt	13.80	12.80	12.50	13.40	14.40	15.00
Alfalfa Pellets	"	13.60	12.80	12.40	13.40	14.40	15.30
Bran	"	13.80	13.40	13.20	13.40	13.60	13.70
Beef Cattle Conc., 32-36% Protein	Ton	292	258	261	279	277	290
Corn Meal	Cwt	8.57	7.54	7.67	7.59	8.06	9.90
Cottonseed Meal, 41%	"	16.00	14.60	14.90	15.70	15.80	16.60
Dairy Feed							
14% Protein <sup>2</sup>	Ton	186	167	170	176	175	183
16% Protein <sup>2</sup>	"	194	180	175	184	190	200
18% Protein <sup>2</sup>	"	206	181	179	185	194	207
20% Protein <sup>2</sup>	"	207	186	183	184	191	201
32% Protein Conc.	"	302	272	287	291	298	311
Hog Feed							
14-18% Protein <sup>2 3</sup>	"	227	200	203	215	216	223
38-42% Protein Conc.	"	317	280	297	302	307	322
Molasses, Liquid	Cwt	11.90	12.00	12.00	12.40	12.90	13.30
Poultry Feed							
Broiler Grower <sup>2</sup>	Ton	257	242	226	232	259	234
Chick Starter <sup>2</sup>	"	268	242	249	239	240	241
Laying Feed <sup>2</sup>	"	224	208	206	212	225	232
Turkey Grower <sup>2</sup>	"	278	261	255	259	264	279
Soybean Meal, 44%	Cwt	14.30	12.20	13.00	13.40	13.50	14.50
Stock Salt	50 Lb	3.91	3.99	4.01	4.05	4.12	4.30
Trace Mineral Blocks	50 Lb	4.98	4.98	5.02	5.14	5.24	5.40
		Index (1990-92=100)					
Feed Prices Paid Index <sup>4</sup>	Pct	111	100	102	109	112	114

<sup>1</sup> April survey only, quarterly surveys discontinued January 1995.

<sup>2</sup> Complete ration feed, fed without mixing or supplementation.

<sup>3</sup> Excluding pig starter.

<sup>4</sup> Annual average for all years.

**Feeder Livestock: Annual Average Prices Paid, United States, 1998-2003**

Item	Unit	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Broiler Chicks	100	19.50	20.30	20.50	20.60	21.00	( <sup>1</sup> )
Egg-Type Chicks	100	53.70	52.60	48.00	53.90	51.90	( <sup>1</sup> )
Feeders and Stockers							
Cattle and Calves	Cwt	74.20	79.10	91.00	91.30	83.20	92.00
Feeder Pigs	Cwt	59.30	76.90	112.00	110.50	85.80	93.60
Turkey Poults	Each	1.15	1.14	1.14	1.15	1.15	( <sup>1</sup> )
		Index (1990-92=100)					
Livestock and Poultry Prices Paid Index <sup>2</sup>	Pct	88	95	110	111	102	107

<sup>1</sup> Annual average data are published in April 2004.

<sup>2</sup> Annual average.

The data presented in the following tables are calculated and published for use by the Forest Service, USDA and the Bureau of Land Management, USDI in computing Public Land Grazing Fees.

**Prices Paid Index for Beef Cattle Production:** The 2003 Prices Paid Index for Beef Cattle Production (BCPI), which was scheduled for publication in this report, was not available at press time. The BCPI (1964-68=100) value will be published in the January 2004 **Agricultural Prices** report.

**2003 Prices Paid Index for Beef Cattle Production (1964-68=100) <sup>1</sup>: -----**

<sup>1</sup> The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers and Ranchers for Beef Cattle Production input items is for the period of November 2002 through October 2003. The components of this index include the production indexes of Fuels & Energy, Farm & Motor Supplies, Building & Fencing Materials, Interest, Farm Wage Rates, and Farm Services. These components are weighted to the overall index value by their importance in the cost of producing beef cattle, the weights are unchanged from a year earlier.

**Beef Cattle: Prices Received, Selected Regions, 2003 <sup>1</sup>**

State	Beef Cattle
	<i>Dollars Per Cwt</i>
9 Great Plains States <sup>2</sup>	77.56
11 Western States <sup>3</sup>	75.33
16 Western States <sup>4</sup>	76.53
17 Western States <sup>5</sup>	76.45

<sup>1</sup> Average for November 2002 through October 2003, except NV, UT, and WA which are marketing year averages.

<sup>2</sup> CO, KS, NE, NM, ND, OK, SD, TX, and WY.

<sup>3</sup> AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, and WY.

<sup>4</sup> Eleven Western States plus KS, NE, ND, OK, and SD.

<sup>5</sup> Sixteen Western States plus TX.

## 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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<b>Annual or Marketing Year Average Prices:</b>	<b>Month Published</b>
Barley, U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Jul
by State, 2001 and 2002 .....	Aug
Cattle, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb
Chickens, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Apr
Citrus Crops:	
Grapefruit, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Lemons, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Limes, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Oranges, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Tangelos, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Tangerines, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Temples, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Corn, U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
by State, 2001 and 2002 .....	Nov
Cotton, by Type, State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Oct
Cottonseed, by State, 2001 and 2002 .....	Oct
Cranberries, by State and U.S., 2000- 2002 .....	Jul
Dry Beans, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Nov
Eggs, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Apr
Figs, Dried, by State, 2000, 2001, and 2002 .....	Feb
Flaxseed, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Nov
Hay, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Aug
Hogs, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb
Milk, Sold to Plants, by Grade, Price and Fat Test by State, 2001 and 2002 and U.S., 1997-2002 .....	Apr
Mohair, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb
Non-Citrus Fruit, by State and U.S., 2001-2002, .....	Feb
Oats, U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002. ....	Jun
by State, 2001 and 2002. ....	Aug
Peanuts, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Aug
Potatoes, by State and U.S., Preliminary 2002 .....	Feb
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Rice, U.S., 2000, 2001 and Year-to-date 2002 .....	Aug
Rice, by State and U.S. by Length of Grain, 2000 and 2001 .....	Jan
Rye, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Aug
Sheep, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb
Sorghum, U.S., 2000, 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
by State, 2001 and 2002 .....	Nov
Soybeans, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Sep
Sunflower, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Nov
Sweetpotatoes, by State and U.S., 2000, 2001 and Preliminary 2002 .....	Jan
2000, 2001 and Revised 2002 .....	Jun
Sugar Crops, U. S., 2002 .....	Jul
Tobacco, by Type, State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	May
Turkeys, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Apr
Wheat, by Type, 2000, 2001, and 2002 .....	Jun
by Type, State, 2001 and 2002 .....	Aug
Wool, by State and U.S., 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb

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<b>Monthly Prices - Revised:</b>	<b>Month Published</b>
Apples, U.S., July 1994 - December 2002 .....	Jan
by State and U.S., July 2001 - August 2002 .....	Feb
by State and U.S., July 2000 - June 2003 .....	Jul
Barley, U.S., Marketing Years, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Jul
by State, Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Aug
Cattle, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb
Chickens, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001 and 2002 .....	Apr
Citrus Crops:	
Grapefruit, Marketing Years, 2000-2001 and 2002-2003 .....	Sep
Lemons, Marketing Years, 2000-2001, and 2001-2002 .....	Sep
Limes, Marketing Years, 2000-2001, and 2001-2002 .....	Sep
Oranges, Marketing Years, 2000-2001, and 2001-2002 .....	Sep
Tangelos, Marketing Years, 2001-2003, and 2002-2003 .....	Sep
Tangerines, Marketing Years, 2000-2003, and 2000-2003 .....	Sep
Temples, Marketing Years, 2001-2003, and 2002-2003 .....	Sep
Corn, U.S., Marketing Years, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Sep
by State, Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Nov
Cotton, by Type, State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Oct
Cottonseed, by State and U.S., Marketing Year 2002-2003 .....	Oct
Dry Beans, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Nov
Eggs, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001 and 2002 .....	Apr
Flaxseed, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Nov
Grapes, U.S., Marketing Years, May 1998 - December 2002 .....	Jan
Hay, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 .....	Aug
Hogs, by State and U.S., Marketing Years, 2001 and 2002 .....	Feb
Milk, Sold to Plants, by Grade, Price and Fat Test by State, Marketing Years, 2001 and 2002 and U.S., 1997-2002 .....	Apr
Milk Cows, by Quarter, by State, Marketing Years, 2002, and U.S., 2001-2002 .....	Feb
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by State, Marketing Years, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003. ....	Aug
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**Indexes (1990-1992=100):** **Month Published**  
 PPITW, PITW, Production Items, Component and Subcomponent Items, Interest, Taxes and Wage  
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 Productivity, Ratio, Parity Ratio and Adjusted Parity Ratio

Annual Average (1999-2003) .....	Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct
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