

Agricultural Prices

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May Farm Prices Received Index Up 3 Points

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 141 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 3 points (2.2 percent) from April. The Crop Index is up 1 point (0.7 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 4 points (3.1 percent). Producers received higher prices for lettuce, broilers, hogs, and strawberries and lower prices for onions, eggs, sweet corn, and tomatoes. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of sweet corn, broilers, grapes, and wheat offset decreased marketings of cattle, milk, apples, and corn.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 11 points (8.5 percent) from May 2009. The Food Commodities Index, at 142, increased 3 points (2.2 percent) from last month and increased 16 points (13 percent) from May 2009.

Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The May Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 183 percent of the 1990-1992 average. The index is unchanged from April but 3 points (1.7 percent) above May 2009. Higher prices in May for nitrogen, diesel, mixed fertilizer, and hay & forages offset lower prices for complete feeds, concentrates, feeder pigs, and feeder cattle.

Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92=100	2009		2010	
	Apr	May	Apr	May
Prices Received	129	130	138	141
Prices Paid	180	180	183	183
Ratio ¹	72	72	75	77

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

Prices Received by Farmers

The May All Farm Products Index is 141 percent of its 1990-1992 base, up 2.2 percent from the April index and 8.5 percent above the May 2009 index.

ALL CROPS: The May index is 150, up 0.7 percent from April but unchanged from May 2009. Index increases for fruits & nuts and feed grains & hay more than offset the index decreases for commercial vegetables, oil-bearing crops, potatoes & dry beans, and food grains.

Food Grains: The May index, at 160, is down 1.8 percent from the previous month and 20 percent below a year ago. The May all wheat price, at \$4.39 per bushel, is down 3 cents from April and \$1.45 below May 2009.

Feed Grains & Hay: The May index is 149, up 0.7 percent from last month but 14 percent below a year ago. The corn price, at \$3.41 per bushel, is unchanged from last month but down 55 cents from May 2009. The all hay price, at \$116 per ton, is up \$7.00 from April but down \$14.00 from last May. Sorghum grain, at \$5.31 per cwt, is down 8 cents from April and 67 cents below May last year.

Cotton: The May index, at 106, is down 2.8 percent from April but 43 percent above last year. The May price, at 64.3 cents per pound, is down 1.9 cents from the previous month but 19.4 cents above last May.

Oilseeds: The May index, at 165, is down 2.4 percent from April and 14 percent lower than May 2009. The soybean price, at \$9.28 per bushel, decreased 19 cents from April and is \$1.42 below May 2009.

Fruits & Nuts: The May index, at 139, is up 11 percent from April and 4.5 percent higher than a year ago. Prices increased for strawberries, oranges, and apples.

Commercial Vegetables: The May index, at 181, is down 11 percent from last month but 28 percent above May 2009. Price declines for sweet corn, onions, tomatoes, and snap beans during May more than offset price increases for lettuce, cauliflower, celery, and asparagus.

Potatoes & Dry Beans: The May index, at 139, is down 5.4 percent from last month and 15 percent below May 2009. The all potato price, at \$7.95 per cwt, is down 47 cents from April and down \$1.67 from last May. The all dry bean price, at \$30.00 per cwt, is down 80 cents from the previous month but \$2.40 above May 2009.

LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS: The May index, at 132, is 3.1 percent above last month and up 17 percent from May 2009. Compared with a year ago, prices are higher for cattle, milk, hogs, broilers, turkeys, calves, and eggs.

Meat Animals: The May index, at 132, is up 3.1 percent from last month and 20 percent higher than last year. The May index surpasses the previous high realized in August 2008. The May hog price, at \$62.30 per cwt, is up \$5.80 from April and \$17.70 higher than a year ago. The May beef cattle price of \$96.50 per cwt is up 80 cents from last month and \$13.30 higher than May 2009.

Dairy Products: The May index, at 115, is up 2.7 percent from a month ago and 29 percent higher than May last year. The May all milk price of \$15.00 per cwt is up 40 cents from last month and \$3.40 from May 2009. The fluid grade milk price increased 40 cents and the manufacturing grade milk price 20 cents from the previous month.

Poultry & Eggs: The May index, at 147, is up 2.1 percent from April and 3.5 percent above a year ago. The May market egg price, at 44.1 cents per dozen, decreased 15.8 cents from April but is 2.3 cents above May 2009. The May broiler price, at 51.0 cents per pound, is up 3.0 cents from April and 2.0 cents above a year ago. The May turkey price, at 55.1 cents per pound, is up 1.4 cents from the previous month and 5.0 cents from a year earlier.

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**Index Numbers of Prices Received, United States,
May 2010 with Comparisons¹**

Index	1910-14=100				1990-92=100		
	Average 1990-92	2009	2010		2009	2010	
		May	Apr	May	May	Apr	May
All Farm Products	639	823	*876	891	130	138	141
All Crops	500	743	741	742	150	*149	150
Food Grains	325	632	*515	506	199	*163	160
Feed Grains & Hay	363	615	*528	532	173	*148	149
Cotton	517	380	*560	544	74	*109	106
Tobacco ²	1263	1569	*1563	1563	104	103	103
Oilseeds	554	1048	926	907	191	169	165
Fruits & Nuts	716	927	*875	973	133	*125	139
Commercial Vegetables	698	1010	*1448	1294	141	*203	181
Potatoes & Dry Beans	540	825	*745	706	163	*147	139
Other Crops	493	607	607	607	123	123	123
Livestock & Products	768	863	*979	1009	113	*128	132
Meat Animals	1021	1117	*1305	1343	110	*128	132
Dairy Products	799	714	898	923	89	112	115
Poultry & Eggs	282	399	403	413	142	*144	147
Food Commodities					126	*139	142

* Revised.

¹ Revised historical price indexes for months not shown are available at www.nass.usda.gov.

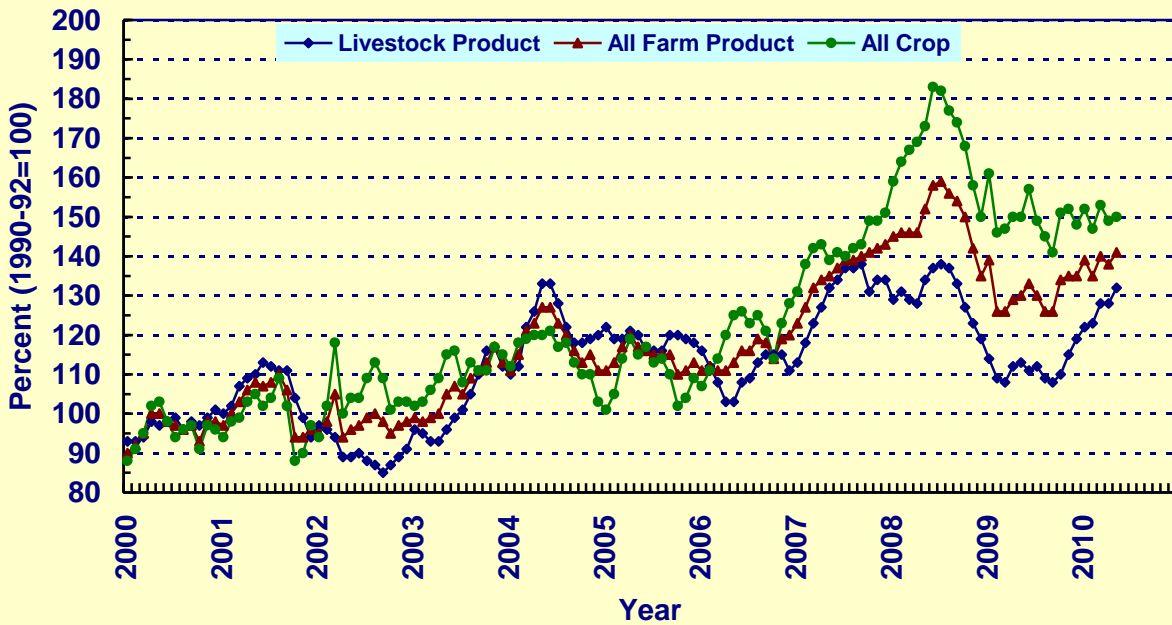
² Monthly prices discontinued July 2005.

**Selected Index Numbers for Prices Received and Paid,
1990-92=100, by Month, United States, 2009 and 2010¹**

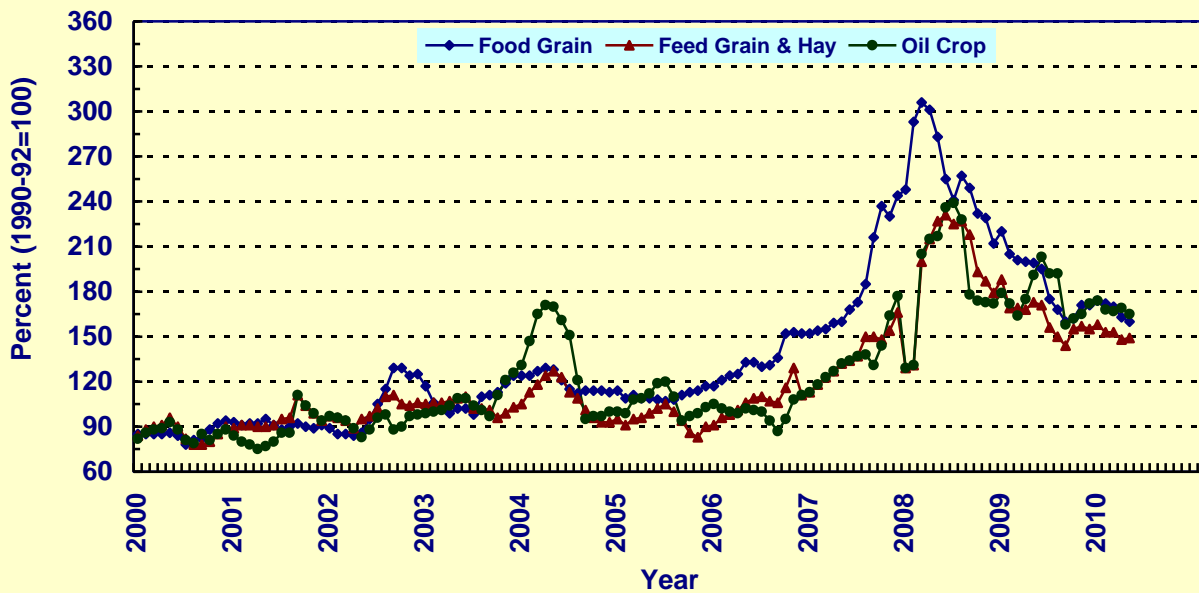
Month	Index of Prices Received						Index of Prices Paid			
	All Farm Products		All Crops		Livestock and Products		All Items		Production Items	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
Jan	139	139	161	152	114	122	180	183	184	186
Feb	126	135	146	147	109	123	179	182	183	185
Mar	126	140	147	153	108	128	180	182	184	184
Apr	129	138	150	149	112	128	180	183	185	186
May	130	141	150	150	113	132	180	183	184	187
Jun	133		157		111		180		184	
Jul	130		149		112		178		182	
Aug	126		145		109		177		180	
Sep	126		141		108		176		179	
Oct	134		151		110		177		179	
Nov	135		152		115		178		181	
Dec	135		148		119		178		181	

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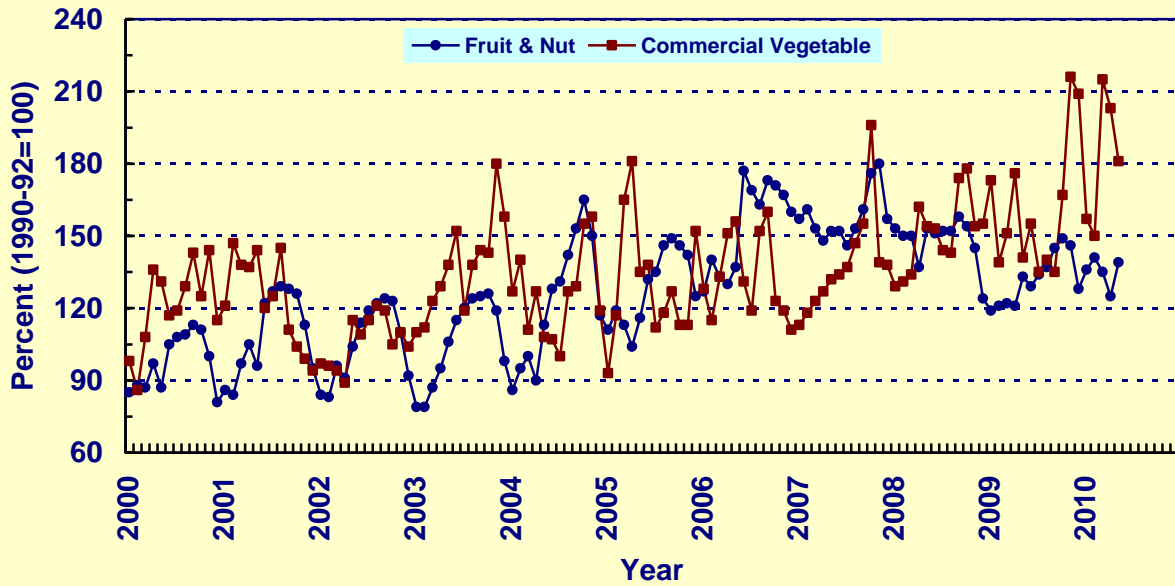
Prices Received, Major Indexes, US



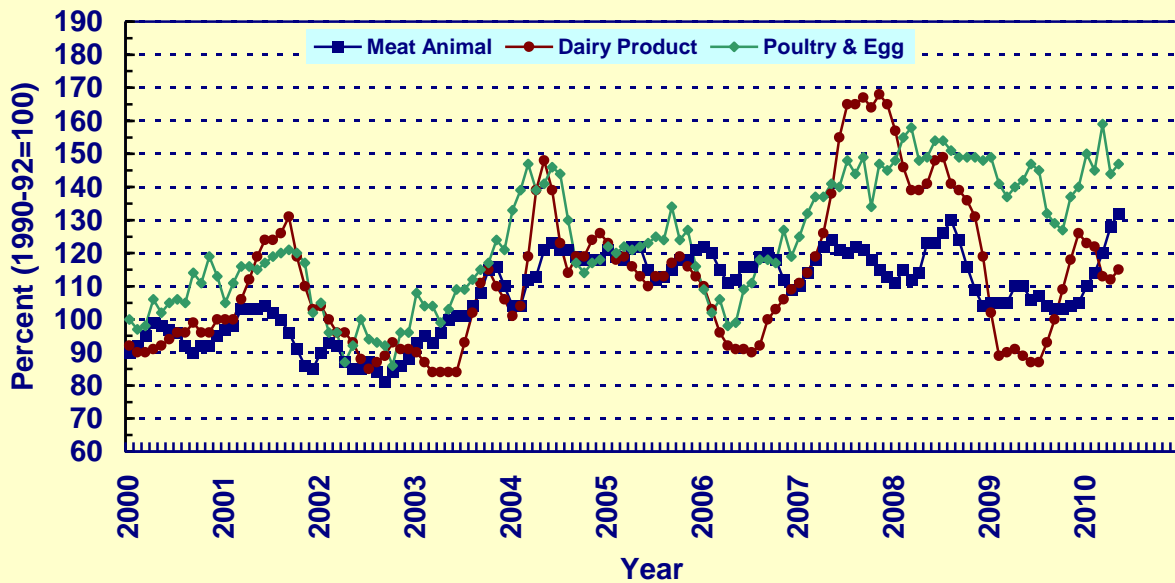
Prices Received, Food, Feed, & Oil Crop Indexes, US



Prices Received, Fruit and Vegetable Indexes, US



Prices Received, Livestock Product Indexes, US



**Prices Received, United States,
May 2010, with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Field Crops					
Barley, All	Bu	2.12	4.59	4.11	3.93
Feed	Bu	1.90	2.99	2.40	2.42
Malting	Bu	2.43	5.17	4.63	4.29
Beans, Dry Edible	Cwt	19.10	27.60	30.80	30.00
Canola	Cwt		17.20	16.90	16.20
Chickpeas, All	Cwt		27.00	34.70	(⁵)
Large	Cwt		27.30	35.30	(⁵)
Small	Cwt		22.80	27.50	(⁶)
Corn	Bu	2.30	3.96	3.41	3.41
Cotton, Upland	Lb	0.606	0.449	0.662	0.643
Cottonseed ¹	Ton	96.00			
Flaxseed	Bu	4.27	8.96	8.52	8.30
Hay, All, Baled ²	Ton	76.30	130.00	109.00	116.00
Alfalfa ²	Ton	77.20	137.00	113.00	121.00
Other ²	Ton	60.00	112.00	99.30	99.70
Lentils	Cwt		30.80	28.70	26.50
Oats	Bu	1.22	2.64	2.25	2.04
Peanuts, In-Shell	Lb	0.304	0.248	0.203	0.205
Peas, Dry Edible	Cwt		12.00	8.39	7.69
Austrian Winter	Cwt		(⁶)	(⁵)	(⁶)
Potatoes	Cwt	5.82	9.62	8.42	7.95
Rice, All	Cwt	7.07	14.60	13.80	14.10
Long ³	Cwt		12.80	12.70	13.00
Medium & Short ³	Cwt		25.40	17.00	18.70
Sorghum Grain	Cwt	3.75	5.98	5.39	5.31
Soybeans	Bu	5.61	10.70	9.47	9.28
Sunflower, All	Cwt	9.50	21.50	16.00	15.20
Wheat, All	Bu	2.96	5.84	4.42	4.39
Winter	Bu	2.93	5.52	4.19	4.10
Durum	Bu	2.86	7.05	4.23	4.27
Other Spring	Bu	3.11	6.76	4.89	5.04
Hard Red Winter	Bu		5.76	4.16	
Soft Red Winter	Bu		4.75	4.26	
Hard Red Spring	Bu		6.90	4.91	
White	Bu	3.24	5.13	4.34	
Fruit					
Citrus, Equiv on-tree					
Grapefruit	Box	5.77	6.21	4.46	4.67
Lemons	Box	10.10	5.68	9.48	9.73
Oranges	Box	5.79	6.61	7.34	7.65
Tangelos	Box	5.82	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Tangerines and Mandarins	Box	15.11	(⁵)	16.67	(⁵)
Noncitrus, Fresh					
Apples ⁴	Lb	0.212	0.187	0.300	0.318
Grapes ⁴	Ton	506.00	1,720.00	(⁶)	(⁶)
Peaches ⁴	Ton	432.00	846.00	(⁶)	1,080.00
Pears ⁴	Ton	370.00	518.00	453.00	514.00
Strawberries	Cwt	56.00	76.10	67.10	81.30

¹ Marketing year August - February.

² Mid-month price.

³ Published estimates began in August 2008.

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

⁵ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

⁶ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

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May 2010, with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	Average 1990-92	Entire Month		Preliminary
			May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Vegetables, Fresh ¹					
Asparagus	Cwt	79.80	112.00	115.00	124.00
Broccoli	Cwt	22.50	32.80	35.40	31.90
Cantaloups ²	Cwt		24.50		
Carrots	Cwt	13.20	25.50	27.40	27.40
Cauliflower	Cwt	26.80	46.60	58.20	74.30
Celery	Cwt	11.60	17.40	17.10	18.40
Corn, Sweet	Cwt	15.70	20.80	37.60	19.90
Cucumbers ²	Cwt		17.20	22.90	18.00
Lettuce	Cwt	11.90	18.20	19.00	26.40
Onions	Cwt	12.80	13.40	60.40	43.90
Snap Beans ²	Cwt		43.40	48.00	32.50
Tomatoes	Cwt	32.30	33.20	97.80	73.60
Livestock					
Calves	Cwt	94.30	111.00	122.00	123.00
Cattle, All Beef	Cwt	72.90	83.20	95.70	96.50
Cows ³	Cwt	49.60	48.80	57.50	59.50
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	77.10	87.70	101.00	101.00
Milk Cows ⁴	Head	1130.00		1330.00	
Hogs, All	Cwt	47.70	44.60	56.50	62.30
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	48.40	44.60	56.60	62.50
Sows	Cwt	39.50	43.30	53.20	58.80
Lambs	Cwt	56.20	102.00	119.00	
Sheep	Cwt	23.40	31.70	48.70	
Dairy and Poultry					
Milk, All ^{5 6}	Cwt	13.06	11.60	14.60	15.00
Fluid Grade ⁶	Cwt	13.10	11.60	14.60	15.00
Mfg Grade ⁶	Cwt	11.80	10.60	13.30	13.50
Broilers, Live ⁷	Lb	0.317	0.490	0.480	0.510
Eggs, All ⁸	Doz	0.643	0.617	0.767	0.633
Market ^{8 9}	Doz	0.546	0.418	0.599	0.441
Turkeys, live ^{8 10}	Lb	0.380	0.501	0.537	0.551
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation ¹¹					
Eggs, All	Doz	0.545	0.781	0.867	0.806
Milk, All ⁵	Cwt	9.71	12.10	15.60	15.70

¹ Beginning January 2006, point of first sale. F.O.B. shipping point for prior years.

² Monthly estimates began January 1995.

³ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

⁴ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for Jan, Apr, Jul, and Oct.

⁵ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

⁶ May 2010 Fat test percent: all milk, 3.58; fluid milk, 3.57; mfg grade, 3.88.

⁷ Equivalent live weight price.

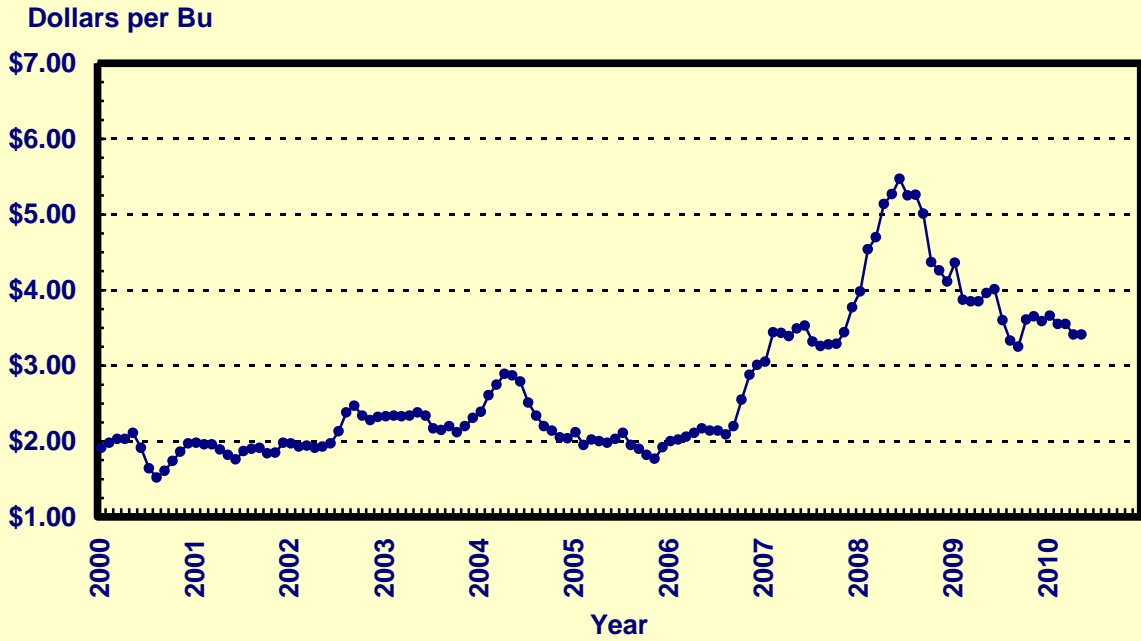
⁸ Mid-month price.

⁹ Also referred to as table eggs.

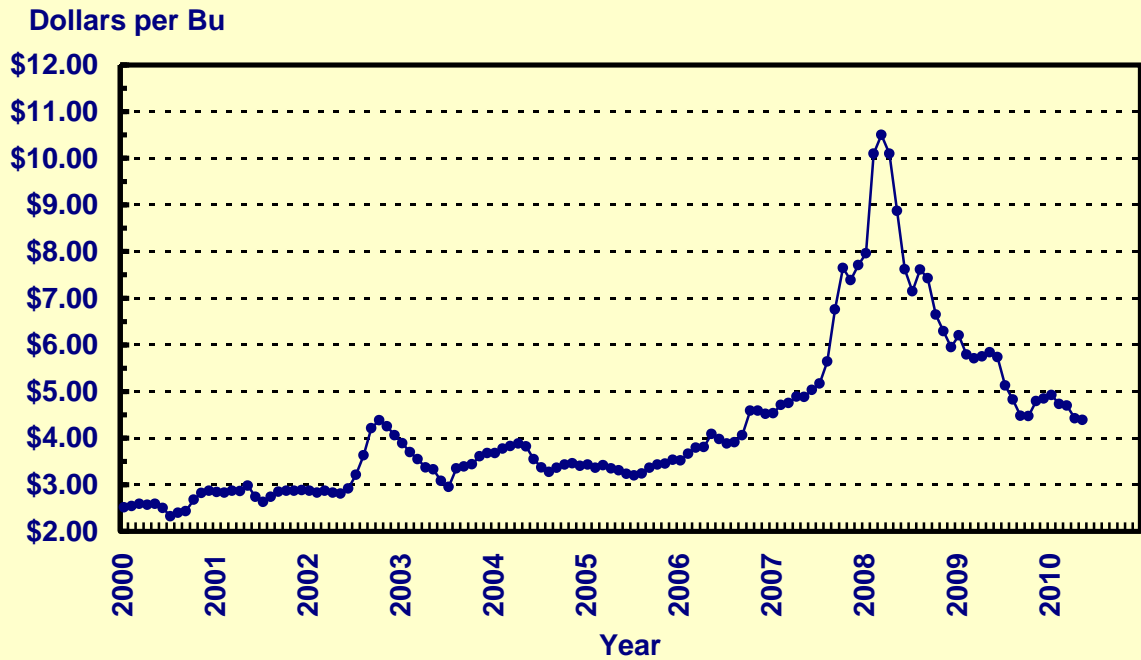
¹⁰ Live weight equivalent price is used when actual live weight price is not available.

¹¹ Seasonal adjustment factors are: All Eggs May 2009, 79; April 2010, 88; and May 2010, 79. All Milk May 2009, 96; April 2010, 93; and May 2010, 96.

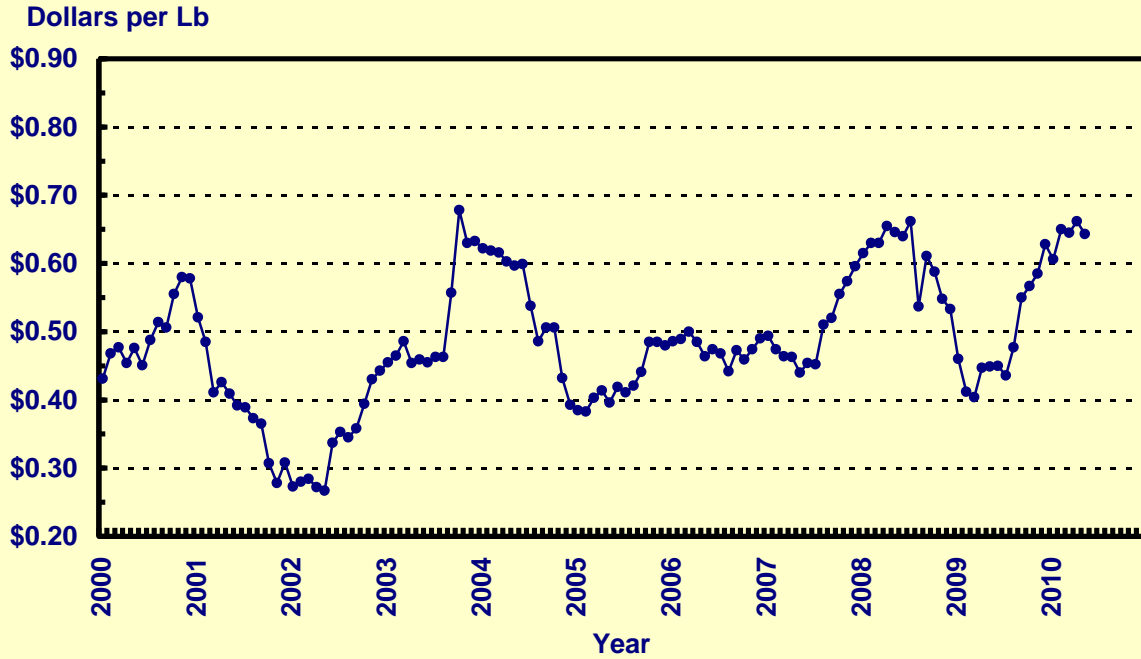
Prices Received, Corn, US



Prices Received, Wheat, US



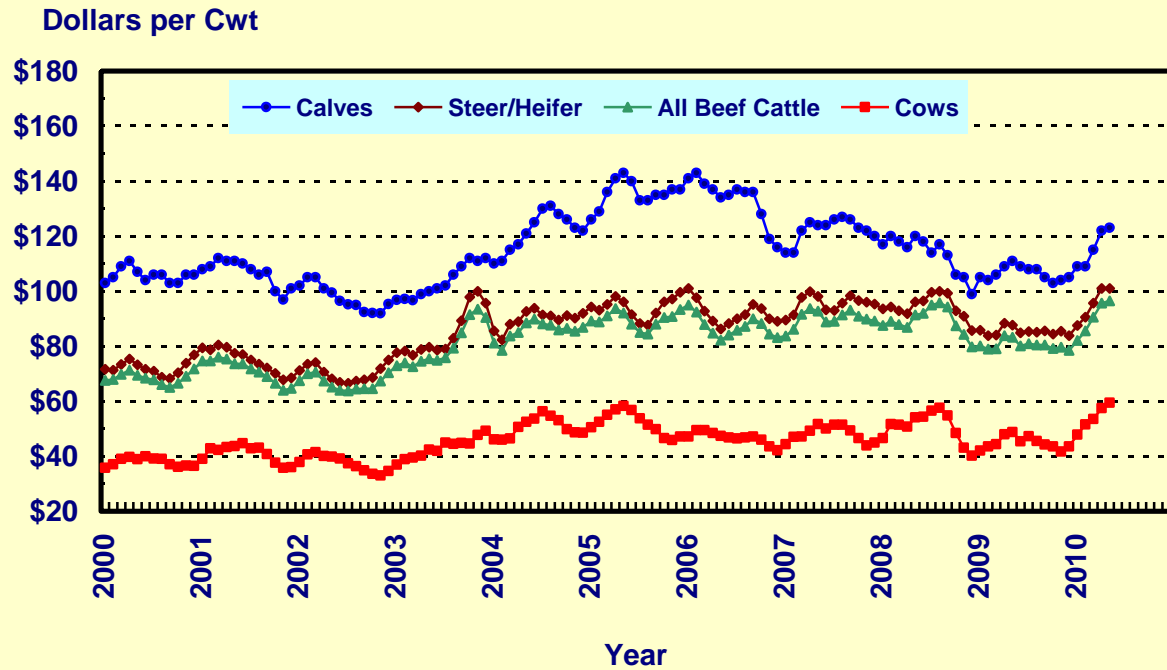
Prices Received, Cotton, US



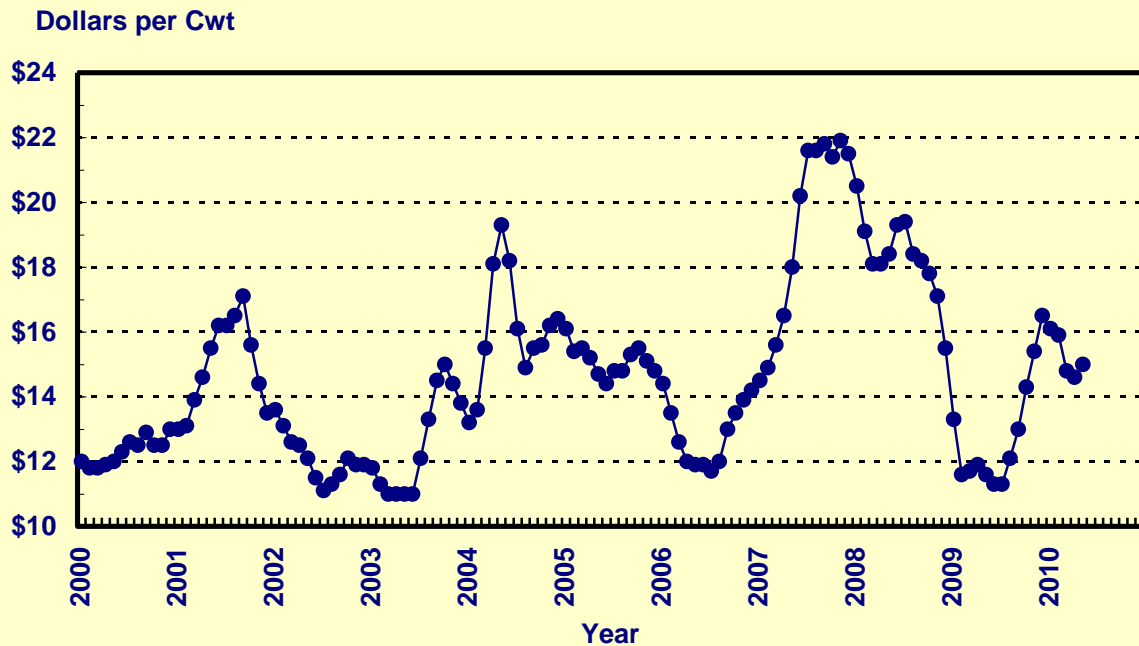
Prices Received, Soybeans, US



Prices Received, Cattle, US

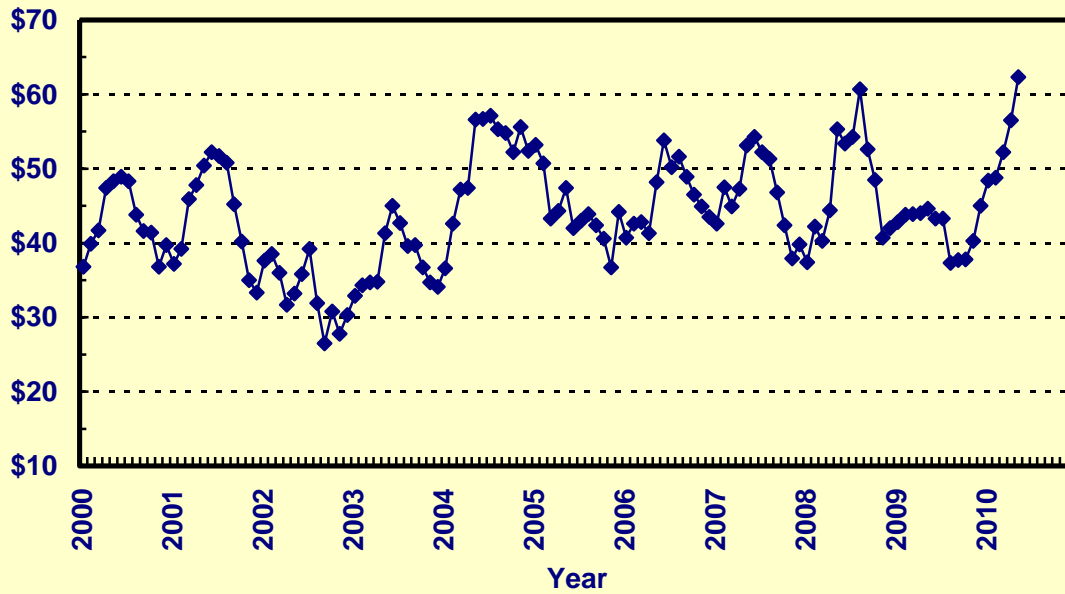


Prices Received, Milk, US



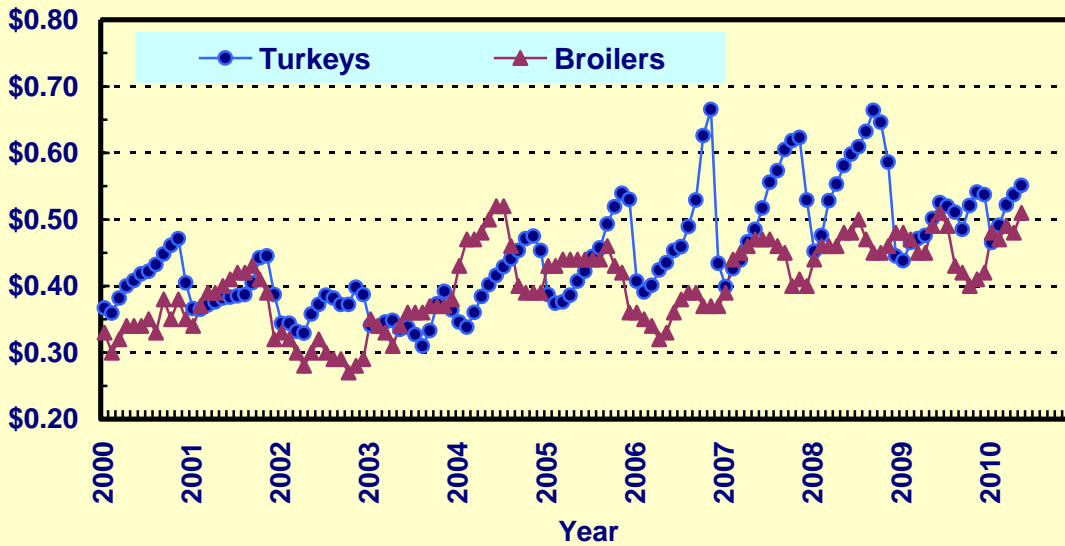
Prices Received, Hogs, US

Dollars per Cwt



Prices Received, Turkeys & Broilers, US

Dollars per Lb



Wheat: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010

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
	<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>
AZ	(³)	(³)			(³)	(³)		
AR	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)				
CA	4.12	(³)	4.11	(³)	(³)	(⁴)		
CO	4.05	3.79	4.05	3.79			(³)	(⁴)
ID	4.69	4.80	4.40	4.40	(³)	(⁴)	5.14	5.15
IL	3.93	3.90	3.93	3.90				
IN	4.27	4.00	4.27	4.00				
KS	4.13	3.95	4.13	3.95				
MI	4.34	4.25	4.34	4.25				
MN	4.44	4.74	4.45	4.30			4.44	4.74
MO	3.96	3.90	3.96	3.90				
MT	4.97	5.04	4.51	4.33	4.15	3.65	5.65	6.09
NE	3.87	3.96	3.87	3.96				
NC	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)				
ND	4.58	4.71	3.72	3.45	4.21	4.30	4.66	4.80
OH	4.37	4.25	4.37	4.25				
OK	4.09	3.88	4.09	3.88				
OR	4.53	4.46	4.50	4.40			4.80	4.80
SD	4.90	4.37	4.16	3.89			5.71	4.90
TX	4.34	4.12	4.34	4.12				
WA	4.52	4.67	4.34	4.51			5.29	5.32
US	4.42	4.39	4.19	4.10	4.23	4.27	4.89	5.04

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 Month,
United States, 2009 and 2010¹**

Month	All Wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef Cattle ²		All Hogs	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	<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	6.20	4.92	4.36	3.66	9.97	9.79	80.10	82.10	42.80	48.40
Feb	5.79	4.73	3.87	3.55	9.54	9.41	78.90	85.50	43.80	48.80
Mar	5.71	4.70	3.85	3.55	9.12	9.39	79.10	90.50	43.90	52.20
Apr	5.75	4.42	3.85	3.41	9.79	9.47	83.80	95.70	44.00	56.50
May	5.84	4.39	3.96	3.41	10.70	9.28	83.20	96.50	44.60	62.30
Jun	5.74		4.01		11.40		80.10		43.30	
Jul	5.13		3.60		10.80		80.90		43.30	
Aug	4.83		3.33		10.80		80.40		37.30	
Sep	4.48		3.25		9.75		80.50		37.70	
Oct	4.47		3.61		9.44		79.20		37.80	
Nov	4.79		3.65		9.53		79.60		40.30	
Dec	4.85		3.59		9.80		78.50		45.00	

¹ Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months are for the entire month.

² Cows, steers and heifers.

Grains: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010

State	All Barley		Corn		Oats		Soybeans		Sorghum Grain	
	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²
	<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							9.18	9.15	(³)	(⁴)
AR										
CA	(³)	(⁴)								
CO	(³)	(³)	3.31	3.30						
ID	5.12	5.26								
IL			3.42	3.50	2.97	2.90	9.58	9.50	6.94	6.90
IN			3.52	3.50			9.79	9.50		
IA			3.45	3.40	2.38	2.00	9.35	9.20		
KS			3.26	3.26			9.39	9.20	5.28	5.25
KY			3.67	3.75			9.76	9.60		
LA							9.32	(⁴)	(³)	(³)
MI			3.32	3.32	2.86	2.60	9.50	9.30		
MN	(³)	(³)	3.23	3.20	1.89	1.80	9.23	9.05		
MS							8.85	8.70		
MO			3.55	3.55			9.59	9.50	5.50	5.60
MT	4.35	4.21			(³)	(³)				
NE			3.44	3.50	2.52	2.50	9.33	9.25	5.36	5.40
NY					(³)	(³)				
NC			4.16	4.07			9.64	9.41		
ND	3.27	2.93	3.06	3.05	2.22	(³)	9.05	8.90		
OH			3.38	3.51			9.68	9.47		
OK									5.05	5.02
OR	3.56	3.50			(³)	(³)				
PA			3.74	3.73	2.99	2.98				
SD			3.11	3.09	2.16	1.99	9.18	8.95		
TN			3.90	3.80			9.52	9.45		
TX			3.93	3.89	(⁴)	(⁴)			6.39	5.75
UT	2.91	(³)								
WA	2.69	2.70								
WI			3.37	3.35	2.07	1.95	9.53	9.30		
WY	(³)	(⁴)								
US	4.11	3.93	3.41	3.41	2.25	2.04	9.47	9.28	5.39	5.31

¹ Entire month.

² Mid-month.

³ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

⁴ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Malting and Feed Barley: Prices Received Selected State,
April and May 2010**

State	Malting Barley		Feed Barley	
	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²
	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>
ID	5.27	(³)	2.82	(³)
MN	(³)	(³)	2.27	(³)
MT	4.69	4.40	2.38	3.11
ND	3.80	3.20	2.14	2.10
WY	(³)	(⁴)	(³)	(⁴)

¹ Entire month.

² Mid-month.

³ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

⁴ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

Field Crops: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010

State	Dry Edible Beans		All Sunflower		Canola		Flaxseed		Peanuts ^{4 5}	
	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ³
	<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 Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Bushel</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>
AL									0.198	0.203
CA	(⁶)	45.30								
CO	31.30	30.20	(⁶)	(⁷)						
FL									0.197	0.200
GA									0.199	0.200
ID	33.00	31.00								
KS			(⁶)	(⁶)						
MI	36.60	(⁶)								
MN	30.70	32.00	16.40	16.30	(⁶)	(⁷)				
MS									(⁷)	(⁷)
NE	29.80	29.20								
NM									0.206	0.206
NC									0.218	0.211
ND	26.80	25.60	17.40	16.60	16.90	16.20	8.52	8.30		
OK									(⁶)	(⁶)
SC									0.215	0.212
SD			13.90	12.70						
TX									0.215	0.219
VA									0.213	0.198
US	30.80	30.00	16.00	15.20	16.90	16.20	8.52	8.30	0.203	0.205

¹ Entire month.

² Mid-month.

³ Based on sales through first half of month.

⁴ In-Shell.

⁵ Monthly published estimates for MS, NM, OK, and SC began in August 2009.

⁶ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

⁷ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

Field Crops and Apples: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010

State	Cotton, Upland		May				Apples Fresh Use ^{2 4}
	Apr ¹	May ²	Cotton- seed ⁵	Hay, Baled ³			
				All	Alfalfa	Other	
<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>	<i>Dol/Lb</i>	
AL	0.661	0.656					
AZ	0.727	(⁷)		125.00	125.00	125.00	
AR	0.632	0.656					
CA	(⁶)	(⁷)		118.00	123.00	101.00	
CO				124.00	125.00	115.00	
GA	0.696	0.656					
ID				93.00	97.00	65.00	
IL				128.00	131.00	88.00	
IA				117.00	123.00	85.00	
KS				112.00	115.00	70.00	
KY				111.00	145.00	80.00	
LA	0.647	0.656					
MI				104.00	110.00	90.00	0.230
MN				107.00	115.00	75.00	
MS	0.649	0.656					
MO				72.00	125.00	60.00	
MT				87.00	92.00	75.00	
NE				74.00	78.00	62.00	
NV				93.00	93.00	92.00	
NM				151.00	153.00	126.00	
NY				94.00	120.00	90.00	0.206
NC	0.667	0.656					
ND				61.00	66.00	46.00	
OH				123.00	152.00	85.00	0.410
OK				113.00	135.00	76.00	
OR				140.00	131.00	162.00	
PA				117.00	130.00	115.00	0.346
SD				86.00	90.00	72.00	
TN	0.676	0.657					
TX	0.623	0.623		138.00	183.00	115.00	
UT				95.00	95.00	85.00	
VA							
WA				136.00	125.00	170.00	0.331
WI				115.00	120.00	90.00	
WY				89.00	91.00	83.00	
US	0.662	0.643		116.00	121.00	99.70	0.318

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.

⁷ Insufficient sales to establish a price.

**Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,
United States, May 2010, with Comparisons**

Item	Unit	May 2009 ¹	Apr 2010 ¹	May 2010 ²
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars per Pound	0.449	0.662	0.643
Marketings ³	1,000 Bales	462	465	NA
Rice, All				
Average Price	Dollars per Cwt	14.60	13.80	14.10
Marketings ⁴	1,000 Cwt	8,069	12,130	NA
Rice, Long				
Average Price	Dollars per Cwt	12.80	12.70	13.00
Marketings ⁴	1,000 Cwt	6,890	9,141	NA
Rice, Medium & Short				
Average Price	Dollars per Cwt	25.40	17.00	18.70
Marketings ⁴	1,000 Cwt	1,179	2,989	NA

¹ Entire month.

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

³ Marketings based on a survey of cotton buyers in the major producing States - AL, AZ, AR, CA, GA, LA, MS, NC, TN, and TX.

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 2010**

Commodity, State and Type	F.O.B. Packed Fresh	Equivalent Returns ¹					
		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							
CA	18.60	8.80	8.80	(²)	5.70	5.70	(²)
FL	22.70	6.66	13.36	4.00	3.80	10.98	0.94
White	22.80	4.83	13.45	4.15	2.09	10.80	1.40
Colored	22.70	7.44	13.35	3.90	4.53	11.00	0.65
TX	20.40	6.14	10.15	1.60	4.72	8.70	0.20
US	19.80	7.22	10.03	3.28	4.67	7.47	0.72
Lemons							
CA	39.80	15.48	29.11	(³)	9.73	23.36	(³)
Oranges							
CA	23.60	12.46	15.11	2.32	9.79	12.44	-0.34
Navel and Misc	25.70	13.98	17.31	(³)	11.33	14.66	(³)
Valencia	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)
FL							
Valencia	21.90	9.89	12.00	9.85	7.29	9.20	7.25
US	23.30	10.26	14.70	9.59	7.65	12.01	6.99
Tangerines and Mandarins							
CA	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)

¹ 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 and Mandarins- AZ & CA-75, FL-95.

² Processed sales insignificant and included in fresh sales.

³ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

Potatoes: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010 ¹

State	Apr	May ²	State	Apr	May ²
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>		<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
CA - All ³	11.20	11.00	NC		
- Winter			ND - All ³	10.30	9.90
- Spring	14.80	12.80	- Fresh ⁴	12.00	NA
- Summer			- Processing	10.40	NA
- Fall	8.25	9.45	OR	8.45	8.30
CO - All ³	5.35	5.25	TX		
- Fresh ⁴	5.30	NA	VA		
FL	20.70	14.70	WA - All ³	8.20	8.30
ID - All ³	5.95	5.90	- Processing	8.10	NA
- Fresh ⁴	3.10	NA	WI - All ³	10.30	8.95
- Processing	8.00	NA	- Fresh ⁴	5.15	NA
ME	10.90	10.80	- Processing	12.50	NA
MI	12.40	12.70			
MN	7.45	7.15	US - All ³	8.42	7.95
NY	13.70	13.70	- Fresh ⁴	7.25	NA
			- Processing	9.06	NA

¹ Missing data indicate no potatoes being marketed.

² Preliminary price reflecting prices received for the entire month.

³ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stocks, processing, seed, and livestock feed.

⁴ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices.

Cattle: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010

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
	<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	61.00	63.00	98.00	99.00	77.70	79.20	126.00	120.00
AR	55.00	56.00	109.00	109.00	90.10	85.20	122.00	122.00
CA	57.90	60.60	97.90	99.10	78.70	80.60	120.00	124.00
CO	61.00	63.50	108.00	106.00	107.00	105.00	128.00	128.00
FL	53.30	54.50	99.80	103.00	80.30	87.10	119.00	119.00
GA	56.70	59.10	99.70	101.00	74.50	74.70	115.00	117.00
ID	61.80	64.20	101.00	101.00	91.60	92.20	119.00	120.00
IL	57.40	60.70	98.70	101.00	97.90	100.00	118.00	119.00
IA	59.00	62.00	101.00	102.00	101.00	101.00	126.00	130.00
KS	58.70	61.80	102.00	102.00	101.00	101.00	129.00	135.00
KY	57.00	59.00	104.00	105.00	92.70	94.00	117.00	118.00
LA	55.40	56.50	101.00	101.00	68.60	70.30	114.00	112.00
MI	57.00	58.00	92.00	92.00	81.50	81.80	90.00	98.00
MN	60.50	62.40	98.40	99.30	91.80	92.80	129.00	132.00
MO	55.10	58.30	110.00	113.00	96.80	99.30	124.00	128.00
MT	59.00	62.40	109.00	108.00	93.50	84.30	131.00	131.00
NE	60.30	63.00	101.00	102.00	99.80	101.00	134.00	137.00
NM	63.00	65.00	108.00	106.00	92.70	89.60	129.00	126.00
ND	61.00	61.00	108.00	104.00	99.50	98.40	126.00	128.00
OH	49.10	55.00	93.90	94.00	89.40	90.10	108.00	104.00
OK	62.30	62.80	103.00	104.00	99.90	101.00	126.00	127.00
OR	60.00	63.00	98.00	100.00	94.20	96.30	113.00	118.00
PA	53.10	56.20	90.80	93.20	81.00	83.60	102.00	103.00
SD	60.40	63.50	106.00	105.00	105.00	103.00	130.00	133.00
TN	54.00	56.00	102.00	103.00	82.80	84.20	115.00	117.00
TX	55.30	54.90	100.00	101.00	95.50	96.90	126.00	125.00
VA	48.00	51.00	101.00	103.00	88.80	83.20	114.00	117.00
WI	56.80	59.00	90.00	92.20	70.70	72.90	144.00	145.00
WY	58.60	59.40	109.00	112.00	103.00	101.00	132.00	137.00
US	57.50	59.50	101.00	101.00	95.70	96.50	122.00	123.00

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 State, April and May 2010

State	Sows		Barrows and Gilts		All Hogs	
	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²	Apr ¹	May ²
	<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>
IL	50.20	55.60	56.50	62.70	56.00	62.10
IN	58.70	63.60	57.20	61.80	57.30	61.90
IA	53.00	58.50	56.70	62.50	56.70	62.50
KS	54.70	59.20	53.70	58.00	53.80	58.20
MN	54.00	59.20	59.00	65.60	59.00	65.60
MO	51.90	55.90	52.60	58.60	52.60	58.40
NE	56.10	61.30	58.30	65.10	58.30	65.00
NC	58.30	63.50	56.20	63.20	56.20	63.20
OH	54.80	59.70	56.80	60.50	56.60	60.40
OK	50.20	55.20	51.50	56.00	51.30	55.90
PA	55.90	60.80	54.50	59.70	54.70	59.90
SD	49.50	53.50	59.30	65.90	58.30	64.50
US	53.20	58.80	56.60	62.50	56.50	62.30

¹ Entire month.

² Mid-month.

Sheep and Lambs: Prices Received, by State, April 2010

State	April	
	Sheep ¹	Lambs ¹
	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>	<i>Dollars per Cwt</i>
CA	52.00	98.00
CO	48.00	118.00
ID	42.00	107.00
IA	45.00	121.00
MN	44.60	123.00
MO	49.30	136.00
MT	48.70	125.00
NE	53.10	116.00
ND	39.00	122.00
OH	46.10	139.00
OR	64.00	106.00
PA	65.00	130.00
SD	37.30	135.00
TX	52.00	131.00
VA	45.00	136.00
WV	45.00	141.00
WY	50.30	115.00
US	48.70	119.00

¹ Entire month.

Milk and Milk Cows: Prices Received, by State, April and May 2010

State	April ¹						May		
	Fluid Grade Milk ^{2,3}		Manufacturing Grade Milk ³		All Milk ³		All Milk ^{3,4}		Milk Cows ⁵
	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	3.42			14.00	3.42	14.60	3.41	
CA	13.40	3.63	13.60	4.12	13.41	3.64	13.70	3.59	
CO	14.70	3.48			14.70	3.48	15.00	3.46	
FL	18.40	3.48			18.40	3.48	19.00	3.46	
ID	13.70	3.63			13.70	3.63	13.80	3.54	
IL	15.00	3.69	13.40	3.71	15.00	3.69	15.30	3.67	
IN	15.30	3.58			15.30	3.58	15.70	3.57	
IA	14.90	3.59	13.10	3.80	14.90	3.59	15.30	3.55	
KS	15.40	3.62			15.40	3.62	15.80	3.55	
MI	15.00	3.57			15.00	3.57	15.50	3.55	
MN	14.60	3.65	12.70	3.72	14.60	3.65	14.80	3.65	
MO	14.80	3.55	11.80	3.65	14.70	3.55	15.10	3.55	
NM	14.10	3.47			14.10	3.47	14.30	3.40	
NY	15.50	3.67			15.50	3.67	15.90	3.65	
OH	16.10	3.68	13.00	3.85	16.00	3.69	16.50	3.60	
OR	15.60	3.74			15.60	3.74	16.10	3.70	
PA	16.30	3.65			16.30	3.65	16.60	3.55	
TX	15.30	3.64			15.30	3.64	15.50	3.59	
UT	14.30	3.64			14.30	3.64	14.50	3.62	
VT	15.80	3.77			15.80	3.77	15.80	3.73	
VA	17.00	3.55			17.00	3.55	17.40	3.50	
WA	14.30	3.74			14.30	3.74	15.00	3.70	
WI	14.50	3.62	13.10	3.78	14.50	3.62	15.00	3.57	
US	14.60	3.62	13.30	3.94	14.60	3.62	15.00	3.58	

¹ Entire month.

² Including milk diverted to manufacturing.

³ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

⁴ Preliminary.

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

**Parity Price for Manufacturing Grade Milk ¹: United States,
April and May 2010, with Comparisons**

Item	Unit	May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010
Parity Equivalent	Dollars per Cwt	41.70	41.80	42.00
Average Price F.O.B	Dollars per Cwt	10.60	13.30	13.50
Average Fat Test of Milk	Percent	3.89	3.94	3.88

¹ The parity price equivalent during 2010 is 93.2 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, compared with 92.4 percent in 2009. For additional details, see January 2010 issue of *Agricultural Prices*.

**Parity Prices for Farm Products and Average Prices Received as
Percent of Parity Prices, United States, with Comparisons ¹**

Commodity and Unit	Adjusted Base Price	Parity Price			Price as Percent of Parity		
		May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010	May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Percent	Percent	Percent
Basic Commodities							
All Wheat, Bu	0.597	13.60	14.50	14.60	43	30	30
Rice, Cwt	1.38	36.10	33.50	33.70	40	41	42
Corn, Bu	0.372	8.37	9.04	9.08	47	38	38
Cotton, Lb							
American Upland	0.084	1.83	2.04	2.05	25	32	31
Extra Long Staple	0.132	3.14	3.21	3.22	31	35	35
Peanuts, Lb	0.029	0.774	0.705	0.708	32	29	29
Small Chickpeas, Cwt ⁵							
Large Chickpeas, Cwt ⁵							
Lentils, Cwt ⁵							
Designated Nonbasic							
All Milk, Sold to Plants, Per Cwt ²	1.83	44.80	44.50	44.70	27	35	35
Honey, Extracted, Lb ³	0.127	2.84	3.09	3.10	50	47	47
Wool and Mohair							
Wool, Lb	0.085	1.92	2.07	2.07	51	38	38
Mohair, Lb	0.343	8.54	8.34	8.37	39	32	32
Other Nonbasic							
Barley, Bu	0.416	9.15	10.10	10.20	50	41	39
Canola, Cwt	1.630	36.80	39.60	39.80	47	43	41
Cottonseed, Ton	15.10	335.00	367.00	368.00	63	41	41
Dry Edible Beans, Cwt	2.88	65.40	70.00	70.30	42	44	43
Flaxseed, Bu	0.972	22.20	23.60	23.70	40	36	35
Mustard Seed, Cwt	2.59	56.50	63.00	63.20			
Oats, Bu	0.244	5.53	5.93	5.95	48	38	34
Potatoes, Cwt	0.833	19.20	20.30	20.30	50	41	39
Rapeseed, Cwt	2.04	43.60	49.60	49.80			
Rye, Bu	0.474	10.60	11.50	11.60			
Safflower, Cwt	1.95	45.70	47.40	47.60			
Sorghum Grain, Cwt	0.656	15.00	15.90	16.00	40	34	33
Soybeans, Bu	0.916	20.40	22.30	22.40	52	42	41
All Sunflower, Cwt	1.85	41.70	45.00	45.10	52	36	34
Sweetpotatoes, Cwt	2.27	53.90	55.20	55.40			
Apples, Fresh, Lb ⁴	0.033	0.774	0.802	0.805	24	37	40
Citrus (equiv on-tree), Box							
Grapefruit	0.648	15.10	15.80	15.80	41	28	30
Lemons	1.38	33.30	33.50	33.70	17	28	29
Oranges	0.660	15.50	16.00	16.10	43	46	48
Tangerines	1.39	33.10	33.80	33.90	47	49	49
Beef Cattle, Cwt	10.20	239.00	248.00	249.00	35	39	39
Calves, Cwt	14.40	342.00	350.00	351.00	32	35	35
Hogs, Cwt	5.54	131.00	135.00	135.00	34	42	46
Lambs, Cwt	11.50	270.00	280.00	281.00	38	43	
Sheep, Cwt	4.35	104.00	106.00	106.00	30	46	
Eggs, Doz ²	0.091	2.13	2.21	2.22	37	39	36
Turkeys, Live, Lb	0.056	1.310	1.360	1.370	38	39	40

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 averages 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 Not available.

Parity Prices for Farm Products, May 2010, United States ¹

Other Nonbasic Commodities	Adjusted Base Price	Parity Price	Other Nonbasic Commodities	Adjusted Base Price	Parity Price
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Field Crops and Misc Commodities			Noncitrus Fruit, Continued		
Hops, Lb	0.300	7.32	Papayas (HI)	0.046	1.120
Spearmint Oil, Lb	1.42	34.60	Peaches		
Tobacco, Lb			Fresh, Ton ²	83.00	2,030.00
Flue-Cured, 11-14	0.216	5.27	Dried, CA, Ton	64.90	1,580.00
Fire-Cured, 21-23	0.298	7.27	Processing ³		
Burley, 31	0.227	5.54	Excl Dried		
Maryland, 32	0.186	4.54	Clingstone, CA, Ton	33.70	822.00
Dark Air-Cured, 35-37	0.268	6.54	Pears, Ton		
PA Seedleaf, 41	0.194	4.73	Fresh ²	54.90	1,340.00
Cigar Binder, 51	0.651	15.90	Dried, CA ⁴	173.00	4,220.00
			Plums, CA, Ton		
Noncitrus Fruit			Fresh, Equiv on-Tree	60.90	1,490.00
Apples, Ton ⁴			Prunes, Dried, CA, Ton ⁴	146.00	3,560.00
Processing	16.70	407.00	Prunes and Plums, Excl CA, Ton		
Apricots, Ton			Fresh ⁷	63.20	1,540.00
Fresh ⁵	108.00	2,640.00	Processing ⁴		
Dried, CA	253.00	6,170.00	Excl Dried	26.50	647.00
Avocados, Ton ⁵	211.00	5,150.00	Tree Nuts ⁸		
Cherries			Almonds, Lb	0.202	4.93
Sweet, Ton	205.00	5,000.00	Hazelnuts, Ton	171.00	4,170.00
Tart, Lb	0.035	0.854	Pistachio, Lb	0.190	4.64
Cranberry, Bbl ³	4.75	116.00	Walnuts, Ton	172.00	4,200.00
Dates, CA, Ton ⁵	197.00	4,810.00	Vegetables, Cwt ⁹		
Grapes, Ton			Fresh		
Raisin Variety	110.00	2,680.00	Carrots ⁶	2.54	62.00
Other Dried	66.60	1,630.00	Cauliflower ⁶	4.31	105.00
Kiwifruit, Ton	95.10	2,320.00	Celery ⁶	2.09	51.00
Nectarines			Honeydew Melons	2.31	56.40
Fresh, CA, Ton ⁵	55.40	1,350.00	Lettuce	2.35	57.30
Olives, CA			Onions ⁶	1.52	37.10
canning, Ton ³	94.70	2,310.00	Tomatoes	4.69	114.00

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² Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, NY (apples only), OR (except peaches), and WA. Price at point of first sale for other states.

³ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point.

⁴ Equivalent returns at processing plant door.

⁵ Equivalent returns at packinghouse door.

⁶ Includes some processing.

⁷ Based on "as sold" prices for fresh fruit in all states.

⁸ Prices in-shell basis except almonds which are shelled basis.

⁹ 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 about 2000 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 Field 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 15th 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 May Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) at 183 (1990-1992=100), is unchanged from April 2010 but is up 1.7 percent from May 2009.

PRODUCTION INDEX: The May index, at 187, increased 0.5 percent from last month and 1.6 percent from last year. Higher prices in May for nitrogen, diesel, mixed fertilizer, and hay & forages more than offset lower prices for complete feeds, concentrates, feeder pigs, and feeder cattle.

Feed: The May index, at 170, decreased 1.2 percent from April and 12 percent from last May. Since April, lower prices for complete feeds, concentrates, and feed grains more than offset higher prices for hay & forages and supplements.

Livestock & Poultry: The May index, at 139, decreased 0.7 percent from last month but increased 17 percent from last year. Since April, prices are lower for feeder pigs and feeder cattle. The May feeder cattle price, at \$113.20 per cwt, is down 20 cents from the April price. May feeder pigs averaged \$188.00 per cwt, down \$4.00 from April.

Fertilizer: The May index, at 254, is up 3.7 percent from April but is 16 percent below May a year ago. Since April, prices are higher for nitrogen, mixed fertilizer, and potash & phosphate.

Chemicals: The May index, at 144, is unchanged from April but decreased 5.9 percent from last May. Compared with last month, prices are higher for herbicides, insecticides, and fungicides/other.

Fuels: The May index, at 291, is up 1.4 percent from a month earlier and 41 percent above May 2009. Compared with last month, prices are fractionally higher for diesel and gasoline but lower for LP gas.

Machinery: The May index, at 227, is unchanged from April but is 3.2 percent above last May. Compared with last month, prices are slightly higher for other machinery and self-propelled machinery.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: The April 2010 Consumer Price Index, as issued by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, for all urban consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.2 percent before seasonal adjustment to a level of 218.009 (1982-1984=100). The March index is 217.631. For the 12-month period ending in April, the overall index increased 2.2 percent.

**Indexes of Prices Paid by Farmers and Related Parity Ratios
United States, May 2010 with Comparisons ¹**

Indexes and Ratios	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	2009	2010		2009	2010	
	May	Apr	May	May	Apr	May
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PPITW)	2398	2433	2440	180	183	183
Production	1788	1805	1812	184	186	187
Feed	942	839	832	193	172	170
Livestock & Poultry	1515	1784	1776	119	140	139
Seeds	3008	2815	2815	304	284	284
Fertilizer	1103	900	930	301	245	254
Chemicals	946	889	890	153	144	144
Fuels	1600	2218	2247	207	287	291
Supplies & Repairs	1109	1126	1128	156	159	159
Autos & Trucks	2909	2996	2989	109	113	112
Machinery	5518	5684	5694	220	227	227
Building Materials	2217	2252	2265	163	166	167
Services & Rent	1969	2060	2065			
Services				159	164	164
Rent				178	191	191
Interest ²	3478	3211	3211	139	128	128
Taxes ³	6370	7190	7190	238	268	268
Wage Rates	7004	6998	6998	187	187	187
Production, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates (PITW)	2478	2507	2515	184	187	187
Family Living-CPI ⁴	2031	2071	2074	159	162	162
Ratio (Received\Paid) Parity Ratio ⁵	34	36	37	72	75	77
Parity Ratio Adjusted ⁶	36	38	38			
PPITW Adjusted for Productivity ⁷	1438	1431	1433			
Crop Sector (PPITW)				190	193	194
Livestock Sector (PPITW)				170	172	172
Farm Sector (Production)				185	179	178
Non-Farm Sector (Production)				184	190	192

¹ Revised historical price indexes for months not shown are available at www.nass.usda.gov.

² Interest per acre on farm real estate debt and interest rate on farm non-real estate debt.

³ Farm real estate taxes payable per acre.

⁴ Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), for the previous month converted by the USDA.

⁵ Ratio of index of prices received to PPITW (1910-14=100).

⁶ Based on estimated cash receipts, from marketings and government payments, the preliminary adjustment factor is 1.044 for 2010 and the revised factor is 1.041 for 2009.

⁷ PPITW is adjusted based on productivity trend for the prior 15 years.

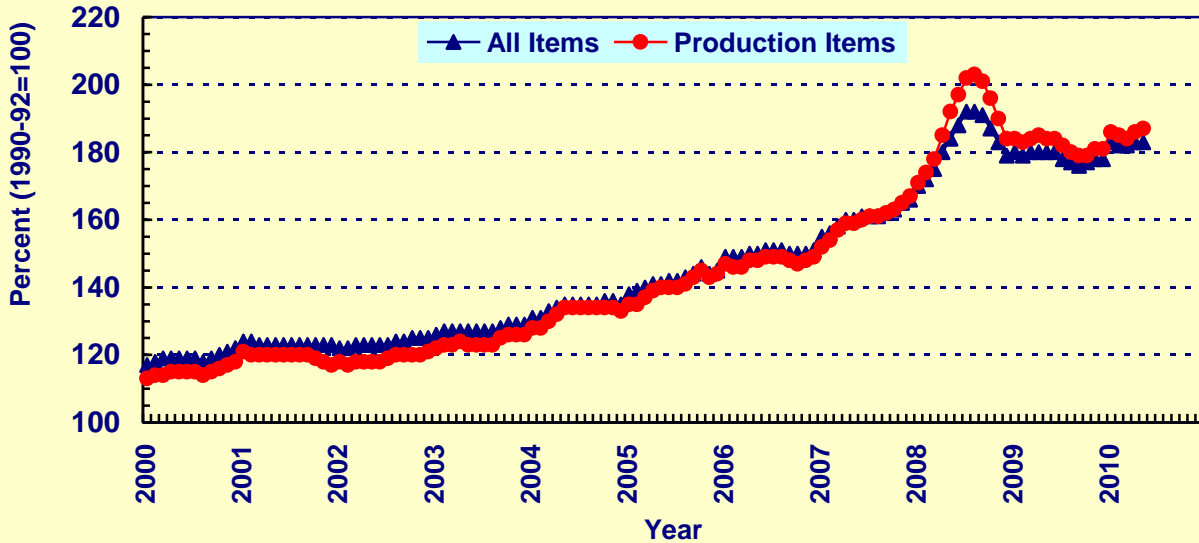
**Prices Paid Indexes and Annual Weights for Input Components and
Sub-Components United States, May 2010 with Comparisons ¹**

Index	Relative Weights 5-Year Moving Average ²		Input Indexes		
	2009	2010	2009	2010	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	May <i>(1990-92=100)</i>	Apr <i>(1990-92=100)</i>	May <i>(1990-92=100)</i>
Production Items	68.9	70.2	184	186	187
Feed	11.4	11.9	193	172	170
Feed Grains	1.6	1.7	169	147	146
Complete Feeds	5.6	5.8	200	179	175
Hay/Forage	1.4	1.5	172	145	151
Concentrates	1.8	1.9	196	176	170
Supplements	1.0	1.0	219	207	215
Livestock & Poultry	8.2	8.6	119	140	139
Feeder Cattle	6.4	6.7	117	134	134
Feeder Pigs	0.7	0.7	109	209	205
Milk Cow Replacements	0.7	0.7	123	118	118
Poultry	0.5	0.5	148	148	148
Seeds	3.8	3.9	304	284	284
Field Crops	3.5	3.6	319	299	299
Grasses/Legumes	0.4	0.4	161	139	139
Fertilizer	4.7	5.2	301	245	254
Mixed Fertilizer	2.1	2.3	281	229	234
Nitrogen	2.0	2.2	291	242	254
Potash & Phosphate	0.7	0.7	396	308	314
Chemicals	3.3	3.2	153	144	144
Herbicides	2.1	2.0	145	132	133
Insecticides	0.8	0.7	163	162	162
Fungicides/Other	0.5	0.5	170	165	165
Fuels	3.6	3.9	207	287	291
Diesel	2.3	2.5	208	304	309
Gasoline	0.8	0.9	195	249	252
LP Gas	0.4	0.5	228	264	260
Supplies & Repairs	4.6	4.6	156	159	159
Supplies	1.5	1.5	153	153	154
Repairs	3.1	3.0	158	161	162
Autos & Trucks	1.6	1.5	109	113	112
Autos	0.2	0.2	109	111	110
Trucks	1.4	1.3	109	113	113
Machinery	4.4	4.5	220	227	227
Tractors	1.0	1.0	186	189	189
Self-Propelled	1.8	1.8	229	234	234
Other Machinery	1.7	1.7	230	240	241
Building Materials	4.6	4.5	163	166	167
Services	12.2	12.1	159	164	164
Custom Rates	1.3	1.2	145	145	145
Other Services	11.0	10.8	160	166	166
Rent	6.4	6.3	178	191	191
Cash	3.4	3.4	224	243	243
Share	3.0	2.9	124	130	130
Interest	3.7	3.6	139	128	128
Taxes	3.0	3.0	238	268	268
Wage Rates	7.6	7.5	187	187	187
Family Living-CPI	16.9	15.7	159	162	162

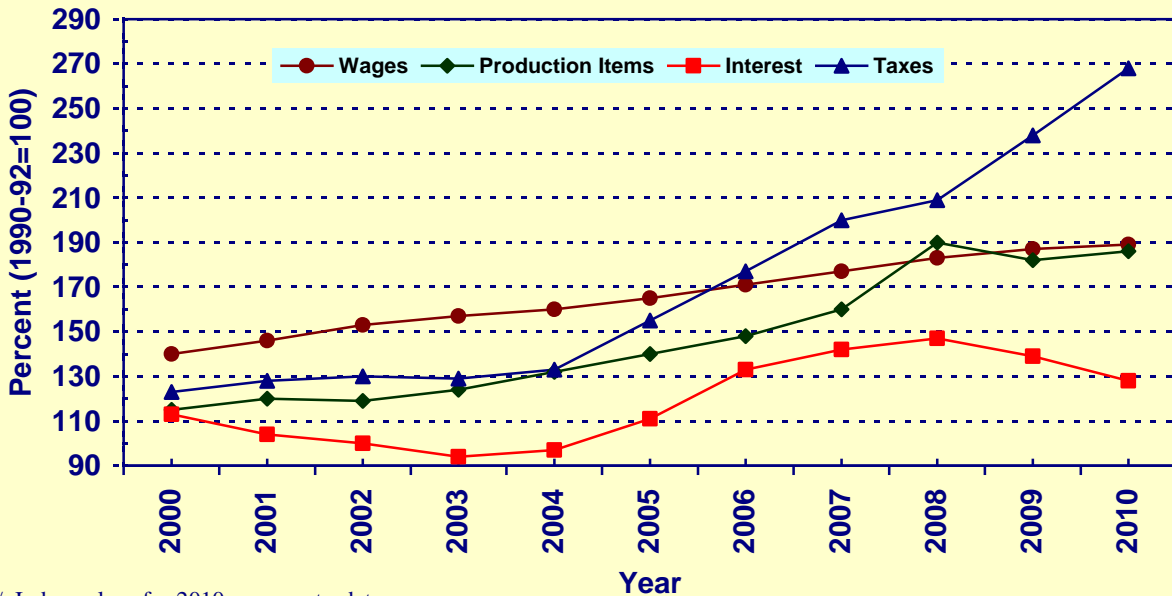
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Prices Paid by Farmers, Major Indexes US, by Month

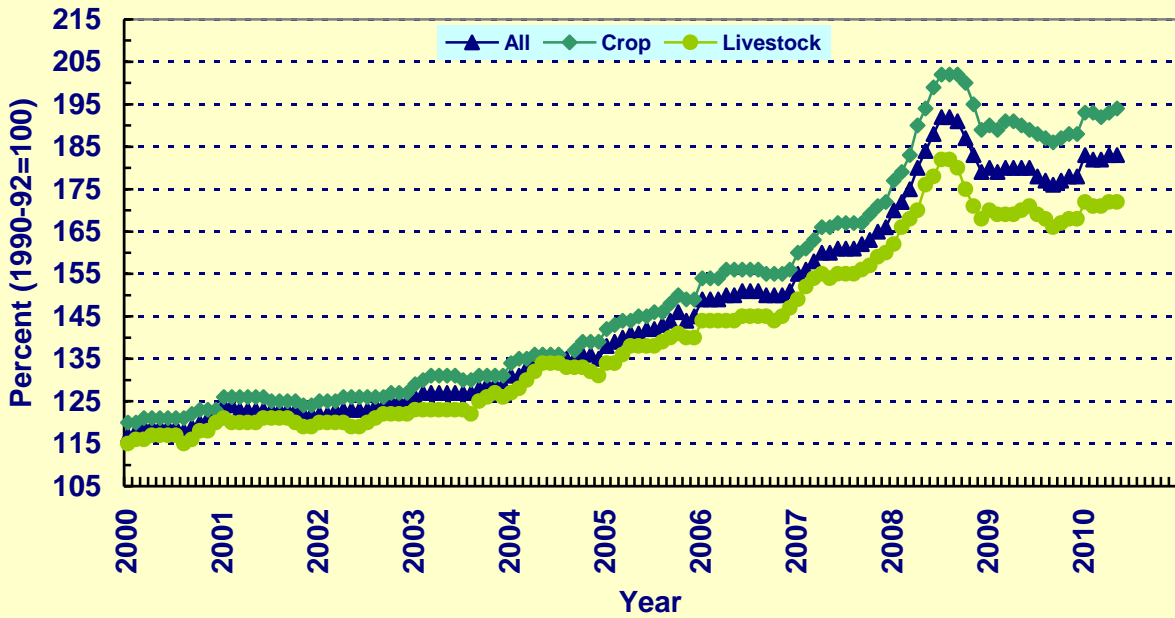


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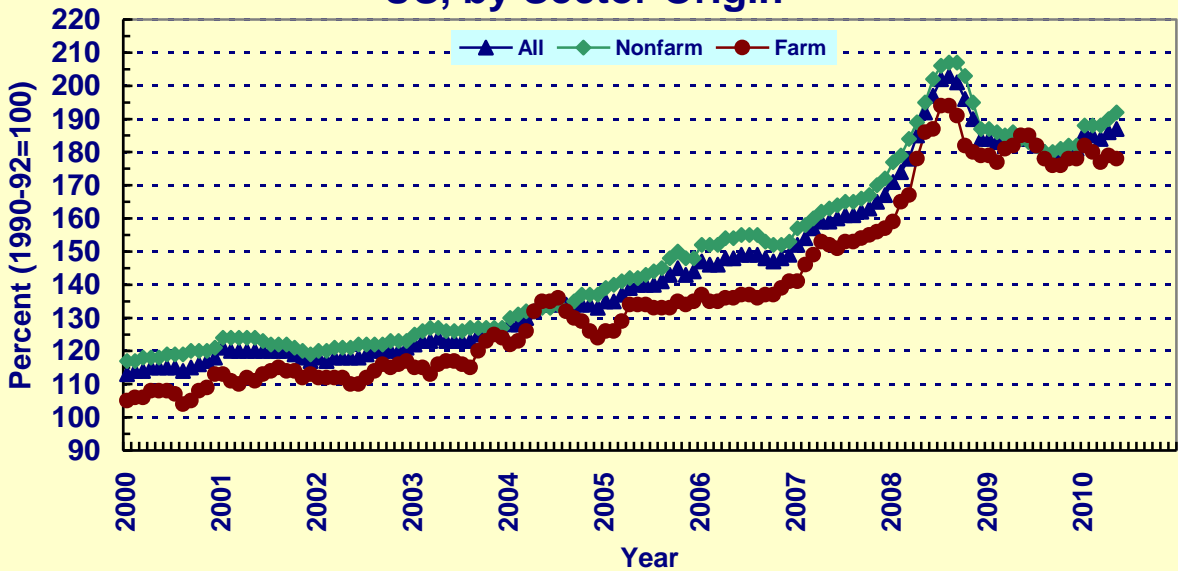


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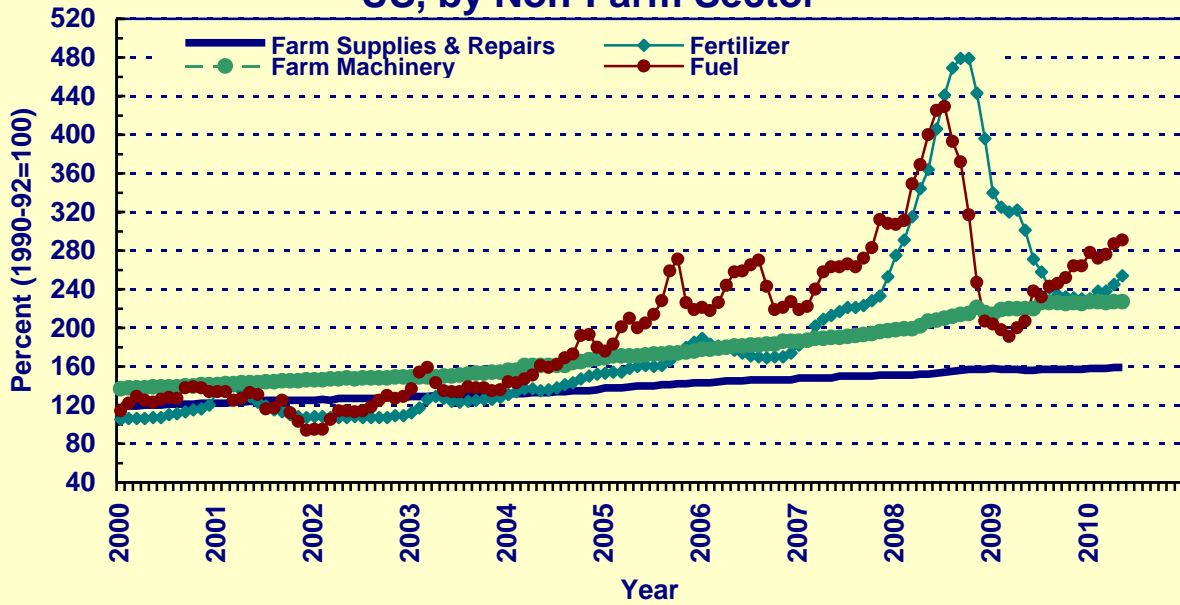
Prices Paid by Farmers, Indexes, All Items US, by Farm Type



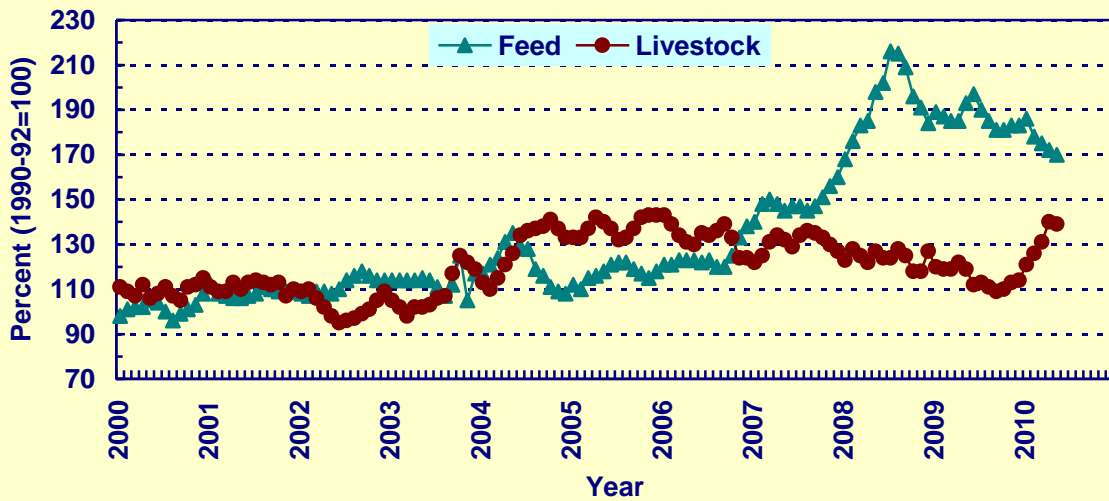
Prices Paid by Farmers, Indexes, All Production Items US, by Sector Origin



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



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



Feed Price Ratios: United States, May 2010 with Comparisons

Feed Price Ratio ¹	2009	2010	
	May	Apr	May
Broiler-Feed: Pounds of Broiler Grower Feed equal in value to 1 pound of broiler, live weight ²	4.2	4.7	5.1
Market Egg Feed: Pounds of Laying Feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs ³	4.3	*7.0	5.2
Hog-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of hog, live weight	11.3	*16.6	18.3
Milk-Feed: Pounds of 16% Mixed Dairy Feed equal in value to 1 pound of Whole Milk ⁴	1.48	*2.18	2.20
Steer & Heifer-Corn: Bushels of Corn equal in value to 100 pounds of Steer & Heifers, live weight	22.1	*29.6	29.6
Turkey-Feed: Pounds of Turkey Grower equal in value to 1 pound of Turkey, live weight ⁵	4.7	*5.9	6.1

* Revised.

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

² The price of commercial prepared broiler feed is based on current U.S. prices received for corn and soybeans. The modeled feed uses 58 percent corn and 42 percent soybeans.

³ The price of commercial prepared layer feed is based on current U.S. prices received for corn and soybeans. The modeled feed uses 75 percent corn and 25 percent soybeans.

⁴ The price of commercial prepared dairy feed is based on current U.S. prices received for corn, soybeans, and alfalfa. The modeled feed uses 51 percent corn, 8 percent soybeans, and 41 percent alfalfa.

⁵ The price of commercial prepared turkey feed is based on current U.S. prices received for corn, soybeans, and wheat. The modeled feed used 51 percent corn, 28 percent soybeans, and 21 percent wheat.

**Prices Used to Calculate Feed Price Ratios:
United States, May 2010 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Preliminary
		May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Broilers, Live	Lb	0.490	0.480	0.510
Eggs, Market	Doz	0.418	0.599	0.441
Hogs, All	Cwt	44.60	56.50	62.30
Milk, All	Cwt	11.60	14.60	15.00
Steers and Heifers	Cwt	87.70	101.00	101.00
Turkeys, Live	Lb	0.501	0.537	0.551
Corn	Bu	3.96	3.41	3.41
Hay, Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	137.00	113.00	121.00
Soybeans	Bu	10.70	9.47	9.28
Wheat, All	Bu	5.84	4.42	4.39

**Feeder Livestock: Prices Paid, United States
May 2010 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	2009	2010	
		May	Apr	May
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Feeders and Stockers				
Cattle and Calves	Cwt	98.90	*113.40	113.20
Feeder Pigs	Cwt	100.00	192.00	188.00

* Revised.

**Feed Price Ratios, Monthly, United States,
January 2006 - May 2010 ¹**

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg ²
Broiler-Feed Ratio ³													
2006	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.9	6.2	6.7	6.6	5.7	5.1	5.0	5.7
2007	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.2	4.9	4.3	4.0	3.7	5.0
2008	4.0	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.9	4.2	4.5	3.7
2009	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3	3.9	4.1	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.1
2010	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.7	5.1								4.7
Market Egg-Feed Ratios ⁴													
2006	8.5	5.9	9.8	6.3	4.5	7.2	4.9	7.9	7.4	6.8	10.6	10.2	7.5
2007	11.7	8.4	9.1	7.6	8.1	6.4	10.7	9.5	12.3	10.2	13.9	13.9	10.2
2008	12.8	11.2	11.8	7.5	5.8	7.3	5.4	6.6	7.7	8.9	9.4	9.2	8.6
2009	9.0	7.0	7.2	8.4	4.3	3.8	5.6	6.5	6.8	7.3	10.0	10.3	7.2
2010	10.1	8.9	12.2	7.0	5.2								8.7
Turkey-Feed Ratio ⁵													
2006	7.0	6.8	6.9	7.3	7.2	7.6	7.7	8.6	9.0	9.6	9.4	6.0	7.8
2007	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.5	6.2	4.9	6.0
2008	4.1	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.7	5.4	5.9	5.6	4.4	4.6
2009	4.1	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.8	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.0
2010	4.8	5.3	5.6	5.9	6.1								5.6
Milk-Feed Ratio ⁶													
2006	3.16	2.93	2.70	2.46	2.35	2.38	2.35	2.48	2.61	2.51	2.44	2.43	2.57
2007	2.45	2.33	2.39	2.50	2.56	2.88	3.17	3.19	3.19	3.10	3.05	2.85	2.80
2008	2.65	2.24	2.07	1.95	1.83	1.87	1.90	1.81	1.90	2.02	2.01	1.92	2.01
2009	1.60	1.51	1.55	1.59	1.48	1.45	1.57	1.79	2.00	2.11	2.25	2.42	1.78
2010	2.31	2.35	2.19	2.18	2.20								2.25
Hog-Corn Ratio ⁷													
2006	20.4	21.1	20.8	19.6	22.2	25.1	23.5	24.7	22.2	18.2	15.6	14.5	20.6
2007	14.0	13.8	13.1	14.0	15.2	15.4	15.7	15.7	14.3	12.9	11.0	10.6	13.8
2008	9.4	9.3	8.6	8.6	10.5	9.8	10.3	11.5	10.5	11.1	9.6	10.2	10.0
2009	9.8	11.3	11.4	11.4	11.3	10.8	12.0	11.2	11.6	10.5	11.0	12.5	11.2
2010	13.2	13.7	14.7	16.6	18.3								15.3
Steer & Heifer-Corn Feed Ratio ⁸													
2006	50.5	48.3	45.0	42.3	39.8	41.2	42.1	43.8	43.3	36.7	31.3	29.6	41.1
2007	29.3	26.6	28.5	29.4	28.1	26.4	28.0	29.4	30.0	29.4	27.9	25.3	28.2
2008	23.5	20.8	19.8	17.9	18.2	17.6	19.0	19.0	19.8	21.3	21.3	20.9	19.9
2009	19.7	21.7	21.8	22.9	22.1	21.2	23.7	25.6	26.3	23.4	23.4	23.3	22.9
2010	23.9	25.5	26.9	29.6	29.6								27.1

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Reliability of Prices Paid Estimates

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 March 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 March 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 Field 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 for March when separate prices paid surveys are conducted, in lieu of BLS indexes, by the USDA to measure price change.

Reliability: Current methods of summarization for the March data 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 1990-1992 reference and base period replaced the 1977 reference and 1971-1973 base weight period. Five-year moving average weights replaced the current fixed 1971-1973 base period weights. The 1910-1914=100 price indexes, required by statute for computing parity prices, were linked forward based on the changes in the new 1990-1992=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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