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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX DOWN 8 POINTS
PARITY INDEX UP 3 POINTS
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO DOWN 3 POINTS

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers dropped 8 points (3 percent) during the month ended April 15 to 281 percent of its 1910-14 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was the lowest index since October 1969. Contributing most to the decrease were price declines for hogs, eggs, cattle, and oranges. Higher prices for cotton and wheat were partially offsetting. The index was 4 percent above April 1969.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Including Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates increased 3 points (3/4 percent) to 388, a record high. During the past 12 months, the index advanced 15 points (4 percent).

With prices of farm products declining, and prices paid by farmers rising, the preliminary Adjusted Parity Ratio decreased to 78 and the Parity Ratio to 72.

SUMMARY TABLE

Index 1910-14=100	:Apr. 15:	Mar. 15:	Apr. 15:	5-Year High : Index	Date	Record High : Index	Date
:	:	:	:	:			
Prices Received	: 271	289	281	: 290	Feb. 1970	313	Feb. 1951
Parity Index 1/	: 373	2/ 385	388	: 388	Apr. 1970	388	Apr. 1970
Parity Ratio	: 73	75	72	: 83	Feb. 1966	123	Oct. 1946
Adjusted Parity Ratio 3/(Prelim.):	: 79	81	78	: 89	Feb. 1966	125	Oct. 1946

1/ Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates based on data for indicated dates.

2/ Revised.

3/ See footnote 8/ on page 8.

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PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

The Prices Received Index declined 8 points (3 percent) from mid-March, the second monthly decline in a row. Of the 12 subgroup indexes shown on page 7, the following 7 contributed most to the net change.

MEAT ANIMALS: During the month ended April 15, prices received by farmers for all species of meat animals declined from mid-March levels. Prices of hogs continued their decline from the February high dropping \$1.80 per cwt. to average \$23.80; lambs were off \$1.10 per cwt. to average \$26.50. Calves were down 90 cents from the record high of March to average \$35.60; sheep were down 33 cents to average \$8.24; and beef cattle were off 20 cents to average \$28.60. The meat animal price index declined 13 points (3 percent) from the record high of March to 429 in mid-April. This was 44 points (11 percent) above a year earlier, and equaled the 61-year record April high first set in 1951. Receipts of cattle and hogs at reporting yards during the 4 weeks ended April 18 were up 3 and 4 percent, respectively, over the previous 4 weeks. Receipts of calves and sheep were down 6 and 9 percent, respectively.

POULTRY AND EGGS: The sharp decline in egg prices along with lower prices for broilers dropped the poultry and egg index 14 percent during the month to 147. Egg prices averaged 35.1 cents per dozen in mid-April, 17 percent less than in mid-March, and 4 percent below a year earlier. The average March to April change is a decline of 6 percent. Broiler prices averaged 13.7 cents per pound, a decline of 7 percent from March. The index was 2 percent below April 1969.

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES: The index of prices received by farmers for commercial vegetables, at 301 in mid-April, was 9 percent below a month earlier. Lower prices for tomatoes, snap beans, and lettuce were mainly responsible for the decline. Partially offsetting were higher prices received for green peppers. The index was 8 percent below a year earlier.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: The dairy products index declined 2 percent during April to 332. Fluid market milk sold to plants averaged \$5.84 per cwt. in April, 11 cents below the revised March price, but 21 cents above a year earlier. Manufacturing-grade milk prices averaged \$4.58 per cwt. in April, 4 cents below March, but 25 cents above April 1969. The April index was 4 percent above a year earlier.

FRUITS: Lower orange and strawberry prices, which more than offset higher prices for grapefruit, apples, and pears, were responsible for a 6 percent decrease in the fruit index during the month to 204. Compared with a year earlier the index was 21 percent lower.

COTTON: Prices received by farmers for upland cotton advanced 3 percent seasonally during the month ended April 15 to 21.36 cents per pound. The mid-April average was 3 percent above a year earlier.

FOOD GRAINS: An increase of 4 cents per bushel for wheat more than offset a decline of 2 cents per cwt. for rice resulting in a 3 percent increase in the food grains index to 161. The index was also 3 percent above a year earlier.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The index of prices paid by farmers was up 2 points (2/3 percent) from a month earlier to 334 percent of its 1910-14 average. Family living and production item prices combined averaged 4 percent greater than last year.

RURAL CONSUMER INDEX INCREASES

As of April 15, the index of prices paid by farmers for items used in family living advanced 2 points ($\frac{1}{2}$ percent) from March 15. Clothing and autos and auto supplies showed the largest increases. Prices of food and tobacco and building materials for farm houses were virtually unchanged. The index was 4 percent above April 1969.

CLOTHING: Mid-April prices paid by farmers for wearing apparel and dry goods averaged 1 percent higher than mid-March. Higher prices for women's and men's items were partially offset by declines for girls' clothing. Compared with April 1969, current prices were 7 percent greater.

AUTOS AND AUTO SUPPLIES: Prices paid by farmers for autos and auto supplies in mid-March rose $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent from the previous month. Higher prices for used automobiles and gasoline accounted for the major portion of the increase. Compared with a year earlier, prices paid for autos and auto supplies averaged 4 percent higher.

PRODUCTION GOODS INDEX ADVANCES

During April, the index of prices paid by farmers for production goods increased 2 points (2/3 percent). Prices for motor supplies, seed, building and fencing materials, and fertilizer and lime were higher but were partially offset by lower prices for feeder livestock and feed. Compared with a year earlier, April prices showed a 3 percent advance.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The index of prices paid by farmers for feeder livestock, as of April 15, at 473, was 11 points (2 percent) below last month. Lower prices paid for feeder cattle and calves, lambs, and pigs were partially offset by increases for baby chicks and turkey poult. The index was 7 percent above a year earlier.

FEED: The index of prices paid by farmers for feed at 210 in mid-April was 1 percent below a month earlier. Lower average prices paid for most livestock and poultry mixed feeds, hay, and high protein feeds were partially offset by higher prices for feed grains. The index was 2 percent above April 15 last year.

FERTILIZER: The index of prices paid by farmers for fertilizer in mid-April, at 147, was 5 points (4 percent) higher than when last reported on September 15, 1969. Higher prices were reported for each fertilizer group with mixed fertilizers contributing most to the advance. Compared with April 1969, the index was 3 percent greater.

SEED PRICES: Prices paid by farmers in mid-April for seed for spring planting averaged 5 percent higher than in last April. Sharpest seed price increases were for grains, grasses, and legumes. Seed potato prices were also up substantially. Lower prices for lespedeza, sweet clover, soybean seed, cotton-seed for planting, and timothy were partially offsetting.

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Average prices received by farmers for farm products, United States, April 15, 1970
with comparisons

Commodity and unit			Average		Apr.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
	: Jan. 1910-	: Jan. 1957-	: 15,	: 15,	: 15,	: 15,	: 1970	: 1970
All wheat, per bu.	Dol.:	.880	1.84	1.28	1.30	1.28	1.32	
Rye, per bu.	" :	.725	1.01	.995	.948	.934	.934	
Rice, (rough), per cwt.	" :	1.81	4.87	4.78	4.93	5.00	4.98	
Corn, per bu.	" :	.649	1.10	1.12	1.14	1.13	1.15	
Oats, per bu.	" :	.399	.622	.614	.591	.581	.588	
Barley, per bu.	" :	.617	.892	.922	.860	.831	.829	
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" :	—	1.72	1.76	1.92	1.87	1.80	
All hay, baled, per ton	" :	11.90	19.10	24.50	25.20	24.90	24.00	
Cotton, American upland, per lb.	Ct. :	1/11.92	30.90	20.68	20.25	20.70	21.36	
Cotton, American-Egyptian, per lb.	" :	—	55.4	41.8	40.1	42.0	41.5	
Peanuts, per lb.	" :	4.83	10.6	—	12.1	12.2	—	
Cottonseed, per ton	Dol.:	21.80	47.60	—	47.00	47.10	—	
Soybeans, per bu.	" :	—	2.09	2.51	2.40	2.42	2.48	
Flaxseed, per bu.	" :	1.68	2.81	2.87	2.62	2.64	2.66	
Potatoes, per cwt. 2/	" :	1.13	1.71	2.61	2.36	2.59	2.70	
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" :	1.61	4.30	7.07	6.00	6.06	6.33	
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	" :	3.39	7.04	8.77	7.69	7.56	7.72	
Dry field peas (open mkt.), per cwt.	" :	—	4.04	6.46	4.27	4.27	4.29	
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 2/ 3/	Ct. :	—	4.70	8.59	4.44	4.82	5.10	
Peaches, for fresh use, per lb. 2/	" :	—	5.56	—	—	—	—	
Strawberries, for fresh use, per lb. 2/	" :	—	23.6	27.2	33.6	33.3	24.2	
Pears, for fresh use, per ton 2/ 3/	Dol.:	—	73.30	157.00	84.80	82.20	90.30	
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box 2/	" :	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Grapefruit	" :	—	1.33	.54	1.45	1.40	1.70	
Lemons	" :	—	1.42	2.64	3.03	3.00	2.52	
Oranges	" :	—	2.62	1.79	1.41	1.45	1.14	
Tangelos	" :	—	—	—	.60	—	—	
Tangerines	" :	—	—	1.78	3.00	2.45	1.96	
Templets	" :	—	—	—	1.67	1.86	—	
All beef cattle, per cwt.	Dol.:	5.52	20.60	26.40	27.20	28.80	28.60	
Cows, per cwt.	" :	—	15.10	19.20	21.00	22.10	21.90	
Steers and heifers, per cwt.	" :	—	23.10	28.50	29.10	30.70	30.40	
Calves, per cwt.	" :	6.84	23.50	32.10	35.10	36.50	35.60	
Hogs, per cwt.	" :	7.29	17.30	19.60	27.40	25.60	23.80	
Lambs, per cwt.	" :	5.96	19.90	28.10	27.80	27.60	26.50	
Sheep, per cwt.	" :	4.59	6.48	8.16	8.39	8.57	8.24	
Milk sold to plants, per cwt. 2/	Dol.:	1.61	4.19	5.23	5.69	5.55	5/5.47	
Milk eligible for fluid market	" :	—	4.71	4/5.63	6.11	5.95	5/5.84	
Milk of manufacturing grade	" :	—	3.22	4.33	4.69	4.62	5/4.58	
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. :	26.3	60.1	4/69.0	70.7	70.7	71.0	
Chickens, excluding broilers, live, per lb.	" :	—	13.2	4/9.6	10.5	10.9	9.9	
Broilers, live, per lb. 2/	" :	—	17.8	14.7	14.3	14.8	13.7	
Eggs, per dozen 6/	" :	21.6	35.4	4/36.7	47.3	42.5	35.1	
Turkeys, live, per lb.	" :	14.3	24.0	4/19.9	24.9	25.6	24.9	
Wool, per lb. 2/ 7/	" :	17.8	43.8	4/42.8	38.5	38.1	39.0	
Mohair (Texas only), per lb.	" :	—	80.0	4/75.0	58.0	58.0	58.0	
Adjusted for seasonal variation	:	—	—	—	—	—	—	
All milk, wholesale, per cwt. 2/	Dol.:	—	4.19	5.51	5.58	5.61	8/5.76	
Eggs, per dozen	Ct. :	—	35.7	4/38.2	46.4	42.1	36.9	

1/ All cotton. 2/ Average for the month. 3/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and prices as sold for other States. 4/ Revised. 5/ Prices are preliminary. Fat test percent for all milk, 3.64; fluid market, 3.65; manufacturing grade, 3.62. 6/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers, including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail. 7/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. 8/ Preliminary.

State prices are weighted by corresponding monthly sales, annual sales, or annual production to compute regional and U. S. average prices.

Based on price reports from 6,239 firms and individuals, and supplemented by data from marketing agencies and related sources.

United States parity prices for farm products and average prices received as
percentage of parity prices based on data for April 1970,
with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Parity				Average prices as		
	Adjusted: base prices 2/	prices 3/ based on data for Apr. 1969	Parity prices Mar. 1970	Apr. 1970	percentage of parity prices Apr. 1969	Mar. 1970	Apr. 1970
	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.
<u>Basic Commodities:</u>							
All wheat, per bu. ....	.724	2.75	2.79	2.81	47	46	47
Rice, per cwt.	5/1.92	7.25	7.41	7.45	—	—	—
Corn, per bu. ....	.455	1.71	1.76	1.77	65	64	65
Cotton, per lb.	5/4.36	16.3	16.8	16.9	—	73	—
American upland	12.58	47.58	48.56	48.81	43	43	44
Extra long staple	5/20.0	76.6	77.2	77.6	—	—	—
Peanuts, per lb.	5/4.36	16.3	16.8	16.9	—	73	—
Tobacco, per lb.: Flue-cured, types 11-14	5/24.7	91.9	95.3	95.8	—	—	—
Va. fire-cured, type 21	5/16.3	59.1	62.9	63.2	—	—	—
Ky.-Tenn. fire-cured, types 22-23	6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burley, type 31	5/25.6	96.0	98.8	99.3	—	—	—
Maryland, type 32	5/23.1	86.7	89.2	89.6	81	—	84
Dark air-cured, types 35-36	5/14.9	56.2	57.5	57.8	—	—	—
Sun-cured, type 37	5/16.4	59.5	63.3	63.6	—	—	—
Pa. seedleaf, type 41	6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cigar filler and binder, types 42-44, 53-55	6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerto Rican filler, type 46	5/14.7	53.6	56.7	57.0	—	—	—
Cigar binder, types 51-52	5/19.6	—	75.7	76.0	—	—	—
<u>Designated Nonbasic Commodities:</u>							
Tung nuts, per ton	Dol. 5/27.70	104.00	107.00	107.00	—	—	—
Milk sold to plants, per cwt.	" 1.78	6.55	6.87	6.91	8/84	8/82	8/83
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. 4/24.8	92.6	95.3	96.2	4/75	74	74
Honey, wholesale, per lb.: Extracted	" 9/5.64	21.2	21.8	21.9	—	—	—
<u>Wool and Mohair:</u>							
Wool, per lb.	Ct. 5/24.9	93.4	96.1	96.6	4/10/46	10/40	10/40
Mohair, per lb.	" 5/31.6	122.0	122.0	123.0	—	—	—
<u>Other Nonbasic Commodities:</u>							
Barley, per bu.	Dol. .373	1.41	1.44	1.45	65	58	57
Cottonseed, per ton	" 5/19.40	73.30	74.90	75.30	—	63	—
Dry edible beans, per cwt.	" 2.98	11.10	11.50	11.60	79	66	67
Flaxseed, per bu.	" 1.11	4.24	4.28	4.31	68	62	62
Oats, per bu.	" .245	.934	.946	.951	66	61	62
Potatoes, per cwt.	" 5/821	3.11	3.17	3.19	4/84	82	85
Rye, per bu.	" .386	1.47	1.49	1.50	68	63	62
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" .747	2.78	2.88	2.90	63	65	62
Soybeans, per bu.	" .969	3.62	3.74	3.76	69	65	66
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" 2.05	7.48	7.91	7.95	4/95	77	80
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 11/	Ct. 2.49	8.89	9.61	9.66	2/97	50	53
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box:							
Grapefruit	Dol. 5/510	1.90	1.97	1.98	28	71	86
Lemons	" 5/918	3.08	3.54	3.56	86	85	71
Limes	" 5/1.31	4.65	5.06	5.08	333	—	—
Oranges	" 5/903	3.59	3.49	3.50	50	42	33
Tangerines	" 5/984	3.63	3.80	3.82	49	64	51
Templets	" 5/946	3.83	3.65	3.67	—	51	—
Beef cattle, per cwt.	" 8.33	31.00	32.20	32.30	85	89	89
Calves, per cwt.	" 9.73	36.30	37.60	37.80	88	97	94
Hogs, per cwt.	" 7.12	25.70	27.50	27.60	76	93	86
Lambs, per cwt.	" 8.37	30.40	32.30	32.50	92	85	82
Sheep, per cwt.	" 2.44	9.00	9.42	9.47	91	91	87
Eggs, per doz.	" 13.7	50.6	52.9	53.2	8/75	8/80	8/69
Turkeys, live, per lb.	" 8.44	32.3	32.6	32.7	4/62	79	76

¹See footnotes on page 6.

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Parity prices based on data for April 1970, United States 1/

Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)		Adjusted base prices 3/ : prices 2/ : data for 2/ April 1970:	Parity : based on : data for : April 1970:	Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Adjusted base prices 3/ : prices 2/ : data for 2/ April 1970:
		<u>Dollars</u>	:	<u>Dollars</u>	
Field Crops and Misc. Commodities				Noncitrus Fruits:	
				Peaches	
Castor beans, cwt.	2.02	7.84	:	For fresh use, lb. 13/ 4/0238 .0923	
Crude pine gum, bbl.	12.10	46.90	:	Dried (Calif.), ton 4/211.00 819.00	
Hops, lb. ....	.183	.710	:	For processing (excl. dried) Clingstone (Calif.), ton 12/ 26.20 102.00	
Tobacco, lb.:			:	Pears	
Cigar wrapper, type 61 ..	6/	—	:	For fresh use, ton 14/ 43.20 168.00	
Cigar wrapper, type 62 ..	6/	—	:	Dried (Calif.), ton 289.00 1,120.00	
Noncitrus Fruits:			:	Plums (Calif.), equiv.	
Apples, for processing, ton	18.80	72.90	:	on-tree, ton	
Apricots, ton			:	For fresh use 50.20 195.00	
For fresh use	76.70	298.00	:	Prunes, dried (Calif.), ton 6/ —	
Dried (Calif.)	389.00	1,510.00	:	Prunes and Plums (Exc. Calif.), ton	
Avocados, ton 12/	6/	—	:	For fresh use 61.10 237.00	
Cherries, ton			:	For processing (ex. dried) 27.10 105.00	
Sweet	137.00	532.00	:	Tree Nuts, ton:	
Tart	4/73.90	287.00	:	Almonds 6/ —	
Cranberries, bbl. 12/	6/	—	:	Filberts 177.00 687.00	
Dates (Calif.), ton	55.30	215.00	:	Walnuts 6/ —	
Grapes, ton			:	Vegetables for fresh market, cwt.:	
Raisin varieties			:	Cantaloupes 2.06 7.99	
Dried (Calif.)	91.10	353.00	:	Carrots 15/ 1.45 5.63	
Grapes excl. raisin varieties dried	4/24.00	93.10	:	Cauliflower 15/ 3.09 12.00	
Nectarines (Calif.), ton			:	Celery 15/ 1.70 6.60	
For fresh use 12/	46.30	180.00	:	Honeydew melons 2.23 8.65	
Olives (Calif.),			:	Lettuce 1.77 6.87	
For canning, ton 12/	111.00	431.00	:	Onions 15/ 1.36 5.28	
			:	Tomatoes 3.54 13.70	

1/ Parity prices are computed under the provisions of Title III, Subtitle A, Section 301(a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended by the Agricultural Acts of 1948, 1949, 1954, and 1956. 2/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 120-month, January 1960-December 1969 average (including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations) by dividing by 257 percent (the 120-month average of the Index of Prices Received by Farmers adjusted to include an allowance for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments) unless otherwise noted. 3/ Parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These parity prices are the legally applicable parity prices for the following calendar month. 4/ Revised. 5/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 season average prices 1960-69 (including an allowance, where appropriate, for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations). 6/ Not available. 7/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 weighted calendar year prices 1960-69. 8/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price. 9/ Adjusted base price derived from State annual average prices weighted by production. 10/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payments. 11/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for apples for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and price at point of first sale for other States. 12/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point. 13/ Based on prices for fresh peaches in New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Washington, and California and average price for all methods of sale for other States. 14/ Based on packinghouse-door returns for fresh pears for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for fresh pears for California, average prices for fresh use for New York and Michigan, and average prices for all methods of sale for other States. 15/ Includes some processing.

See Supplement No. 1, January 1970 AGRICULTURAL PRICES for details on parity prices computations.

Index numbers of Prices Received by Farmers, United States, April 15, 1970
with comparisons

Index	1957-59 ^a		1969		1970 ^b		1970	
	=100	Average	Jan. 1957	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.		
	1970	to Dec. '59:	15	15	15	15		
UNADJUSTED								
All Farm Products	116	242	267	271	271	290	289	281
All Crops	99	223	226	228	227	221	221	220
Food grains	76	212	156	156	156	159	157	161
Feed grains and hay	105	159	165	164	167	169	167	167
Feed grains	102	161	162	160	164	165	163	164
Cotton	69	261	166	173	174	171	175	180
Tobacco	124	485	583	583	585	602	602	603
Oil-bearing crops	112	229	260	259	262	251	253	257
Fruit	92	222	272	285	259	214	216	204
Fresh market 1/	86	229	280	296	266	207	211	197
Commercial vegetables	128	235	336	324	326	339	330	301
Fresh market	144	260	364	358	345	447	433	374
Potatoes, etc. 2/	146	163	219	229	242	214	229	238
Livestock & products	129	258	302	308	309	349	347	333
Meat animals	139	308	362	375	385	436	442	429
Dairy products	129	257	329	323	318	346	339	332
Poultry & eggs	93	158	156	160	150	181	170	147
Wool	89	246	223	221	231	216	214	219
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
Fresh market fruit 1/	87	229	287	299	261	215	217	199
Fresh market vegetables	132	264	314	333	326	393	395	348
Potatoes, etc. 2/	135	163	225	228	224	220	228	220
Dairy products	136	257	323	326	332	340	342	348
Poultry & eggs	95	159	150	155	152	177	167	151

1/ Fresh market for noncitrus and fresh market and processing for citrus.

2/ Includes sweetpotatoes and dry edible beans.

Commercial Vegetables for Fresh Market: Average f.o.b. shipping point prices per cwt.,
United States, April 1-15, 1970 with comparisons

Commodity	Average		1969 1/	1970	March		1970
	Jan. 1957	April			1-30,	1-15,	
	to Dec.	1-15,			1969	1970	
	1959	1969			1970	1970	
Dollar's							
Asparagus	16.30	19.20	19.20	29.50	20.70	18.40	
Broccoli	8.48	11.10	12.20	12.10	11.80	11.80	
Cabbage	2.30	2.69	2.66	5.44	5.08	4.69	
Cantaloups	4.97	—	—	—	—	—	
Carrots	3.78	4.28	4.35	1/4.71	4.71	4.76	
Cauliflower	6.90	11.40	11.90	13.70	13.10	13.20	
Celery	3.90	4.76	5.26	5.06	4.94	5.12	
Cucumbers	6.37	7.92	8.43	—	—	15.80	
Green peppers	12.00	10.80	12.20	23.10	25.90	30.00	
Lettuce	3.93	7.54	6.63	3.99	4.29	3.11	
Onions	3.11	2.91	2.92	6.89	6.92	6.56	
Snap beans	10.30	10.00	9.46	22.30	16.10	10.40	
Spinach	6.20	10.70	9.78	10.30	10.40	11.80	
Sweet corn	4.74	6.00	5.42	10.20	10.20	8.50	
Tomatoes	8.48	12.00	15.00	16.50	16.90	13.00	
Watermelons	2.00	—	—	—	—	—	

1/ Revised.

Index numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates,
and related data, United States, April 15, 1970, with comparisons

Indexes and ratios	1957-59=100			1910-14=100			1969			1970		
	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1970	Apr. 1970	Feb. 1969	Mar. 1970	Apr. 1970	Feb. 1969	Mar. 1970	Apr. 1970	Feb. 1969	Mar. 1970	Apr. 1970
Prices Paid By Farmers For Commodities & Services, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates	127	1/131	132	366	369	373	386	1/385	388			
Prices Paid	118	122	123	318	321	322	333	1/332	334			
Family living items	122	127	127	344	347	349	362	1/362	364			
Food and tobacco	—	130	—	—	335	—	—	361	—			
Clothing	—	145	—	—	441	—	—	467	—			
Household operation	—	123	—	—	244	—	—	253	—			
Household furnishings	—	108	—	—	279	—	—	288	—			
Building materials, house	—	122	—	—	515	—	—	495	—			
Autos and auto supplies	—	119	—	—	373	—	—	383	—			
Production items	116	119	119	299	302	303	312	1/311	313			
Feed	103	106	105	204	204	205	215	212	210			
Feeder livestock	124	136	133	405	430	441	465	484	473			
Motor supplies	—	109	—	—	189	—	—	188	—			
Motor vehicles 2/	—	137	—	—	543	—	—	561	—			
Farm machinery	—	147	—	—	501	—	—	526	—			
Building & fencing materials	—	119	—	—	470	—	—	461	—			
Fertilizer	94	93	96	—	3/147	143	—	3/142	147			
Farm supplies	—	111	—	—	284	—	—	290	—			
Seed	121	122	127	—	3/251	254	—	3/255	267			
Interest 4/	311	337	337	570	570	570	616	616	616			
Taxes 5/	213	229	229	1,081	1,081	1,081	1,167	1,167	1,167			
Wage Rates 6/	177	181	189	965	965	1/1,029	1,050	1,050	1,096			
PARITY RATIO 7/	—	—	—	73	73	73	75	75	72			
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (Prelim.)	—	—	—	79	79	79	8/81	8/81	8/78			
Production Items, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	131	135	136	382	386	390	403	1/402	407			
Prices Received by Farmers	112	120	116	110	112	112	120	120	116			
Wholesale prices: 9/	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
All commodities	112	117	116	111	112	112	116	117	116			
Industrial commodities	112	116	116	111	112	112	116	116	116			
Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates	127	131	132	125	126	127	132	131	132			
Consumers' prices (CPI) 9/	126	133	—	125	126	126	132	133	—			
Average hourly earnings, mfg. production workers 10/	149	156	—	147	148	149	155	156	—			

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes autos, trucks, and tractors. 3/ Estimated unchanged since Sept. 15, date of last previous survey. 4/ Interest payable per acre on farm real estate debt. 5/ Farm real estate taxes payable per acre. 6/ Seasonally adjusted. 7/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates. 8/ The Adjusted Parity Ratio, reflecting Government payments averaged 80 for the year 1969 compared with 74 for the Parity Ratio. Preliminary Adjusted Parity Ratios for the current year, supplied by the Economic Research Service, are based on estimated cash receipts from marketings and estimates of Government payments for the current calendar year. See page 30, April 1967 AGRICULTURAL PRICES, for a description of the method for making current estimates of the Adjusted Parity Ratio. 9/ Bureau of Labor Statistics' indexes for month indicated. 10/ Based on earnings per hour as estimated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	All wheat	Rye	Rice	Corn	Oats	Barley	Sorghum grain	Soy- beans
	per bus.	per bus.	per cwt.	per bus.	per bus.	per bus.	per cwt.	per bus.
	<u>Dollars</u>							
Maine				.70				
N. Eng.				.700				
N. Y.	1.29	1.01		1.35	.78	.95		
N. J.	1.36	1.22		1.42	.78	1.14		2.39
Pac.	1.39	1.08		1.40	.79	1.02		
M. Atl.	1.34	1.05		1.39	.785	1.04		2.39
Ohio	1.44	1.09		1.20	.66	.91		2.52
Ind.	1.32	1.04		1.16	.64	.86		2.47
Ill.	1.36	1.12		1.17	.60	.84		2.52
Mich.	1.38	.86		1.16	.63	.78		2.48
Wis.	1.33	1.08		1.14	.66	.88		2.46
E. N. Cent.	1.39	.964		1.17	.638	.845		2.51
Minn.	1.54	.95		1.02	.57	.82		2.42
Iowa	1.25	1.01		1.08	.60	.88		2.44
Mo.	1.28	.99		1.23	.73	.85	1.78	2.50
N. Dak.	1.39	.84		1.03	.49	.76		2.37
S. Dak.	1.41	.92		1.02	.57	.80	1.63	2.36
Nebr.	1.21	.93		1.09	.63	.89	1.67	2.39
Kans.	1.22	.84		1.16	.74	.86	1.74	2.40
W. N. Cent.	1.32	.870		1.08	.556	.779	1.71	2.44
Del.	1.30	1.25		1.36	.78	.96		2.48
Md.	1.32	1.25		1.38	.76	.98		2.48
Va.	1.40	1.39		1.38	.77	1.01		2.54
W. Va.	1.43			1.39	.87	.93		
N. C.	1.42	1.20		1.40	.76	1.03	2.23	2.54
S. C.	1.40	1.55		1.42	.80	1.05		2.54
Ga.	1.40	2.00		1.45	.80	1.00		2.60
Fla.				.85				
S. Atl.	1.39	1.73		1.40	.780	1.01	2.23	2.55
Ky.	1.37	1.34		1.33	.50	.95		2.53
Tenn.	1.37	1.30		1.37	.88	1.02		2.49
Alas.	1.24			1.43	.82		1.90	2.50
Miss.	1.25		5.30	1.40	.73		2.15	2.50
E. S. Cent.	1.35	1.32	5.30	1.35	.799	.960	2.09	2.50
Ark.	1.25		5.20	1.29	.74	.92	1.95	2.53
La.	1.29		4.75	1.37	.77			2.50
Okla.	1.29	1.05		1.25	.71	.91	1.93	2.30
Texas	1.30	1.09	4.90	1.38	.74	.98	1.88	2.25
W. S. Cent.	1.29	1.09	4.93	1.37	.725	.915	1.89	2.52
Mont.	1.28	.70		1.27	.50	.66		
Idaho	1.29	1.10			.63	.86		
Wyo.	1.13	.95		1.24	.68	.97		
Colo.	1.18	.88		1.18	.72	.95	1.83	
N. Mex.	1.30					1.08	2.05	
Ariz.	1.48					1.20	2.22	
Utah	1.32				.77	1.04		
Nev.	1.40				.83	1.20		
Mount.	1.26	.895		1.18	.585	.751	1.97	
Wash.	1.39	1.04			.54	.86		
Oreg.	1.40	1.11			.68	.91		
Calif.	1.45			1.47	.80	1.12	2.38	
Pac.	1.39	1.05		1.47	.708	1.03	2.38	
U. S.	1.32	.934	4.98	1.15	.588	.829	1.80	2.48

State	Winter wheat		Spring wheat, other than Durum	
	April 15, 1970	Dollars per bushel	April 15, 1970	Dollars per bushel
Minnesota		1.37		1.56
North Dakota		1.21		1.47
South Dakota		1.29		1.51
Montana		1.23		1.38
Idaho		1.30		1.26
Colorado		1.18		1.18

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

of first sale for other States. Average for the month.

Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	Hogs	Cows 1/	Steers	Beef and cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs
		heifers	2/				
Dollars							
Maine	—	21.00	26.00	21.40	—	—	—
N. H.	—	20.50	25.50	21.00	—	—	—
Vt.	—	19.50	24.00	20.00	31.30	—	—
Mass.	—	21.00	24.50	21.40	—	—	—
R. I.	—	21.00	24.50	21.20	—	—	—
Conn.	—	21.00	25.00	21.40	—	—	—
N. Eng.	—	20.50	24.70	20.90	31.30	—	—
N. Y.	24.00	21.40	27.00	22.20	35.80	—	27.00
N. J.	24.50	20.50	27.70	21.50	36.70	—	—
Pa.	24.60	21.30	29.80	24.60	40.00	8.00	39.00
M. Atl.	24.50	21.30	29.20	23.50	37.40	8.00	34.10
Ohio	24.10	21.40	30.00	27.70	38.00	8.50	27.10
Ind.	23.90	22.80	30.30	29.00	33.10	8.60	26.50
Ill.	24.10	21.50	29.70	28.50	34.50	8.00	28.00
Mich.	24.20	22.20	28.50	26.60	38.00	9.50	27.80
Wis.	24.00	22.00	27.80	23.70	37.80	7.60	26.60
E. N. Cents	24.00	21.30	29.60	27.40	37.50	8.38	27.30
Minn.	24.00	23.00	29.50	27.50	42.70	8.50	26.20
Iowa	23.70	23.00	30.70	29.80	34.10	8.00	27.40
Mo.	23.80	21.70	31.10	29.30	34.00	7.00	28.20
N. Dak.	23.30	22.40	30.60	28.90	37.10	7.20	26.10
S. Dak.	24.00	21.40	30.30	29.00	35.80	7.00	27.30
Nebr.	23.70	22.00	30.50	29.80	35.30	7.40	27.50
Kans.	23.80	23.00	30.00	28.50	35.50	6.50	27.00
W. N. Cents	23.80	22.60	30.40	29.10	36.00	7.25	27.10
Del.	24.70	20.20	28.30	22.50	40.00	—	—
Md.	24.70	20.50	28.50	23.90	40.60	—	—
Va.	23.30	20.30	28.60	24.80	36.60	6.80	27.70
W. Va.	23.80	19.50	29.00	25.20	37.00	7.40	27.00
N. C.	23.30	21.70	27.50	24.10	36.60	—	—
S. C.	23.40	21.50	27.50	24.60	36.00	—	—
Ga.	23.50	22.50	29.00	26.10	35.00	—	—
Fla.	22.60	23.50	29.90	27.70	35.30	—	—
E. Atl.	23.20	21.70	28.90	25.70	35.00	7.02	27.40
Tenn.	23.80	21.50	30.10	28.00	38.00	8.50	27.20
Ala.	23.30	20.20	29.00	25.90	36.50	7.60	27.40
Miss.	23.80	21.50	29.00	25.50	36.00	—	—
E. S. Cents	23.50	21.60	29.70	27.00	36.10	8.22	27.20
Ark.	24.10	21.20	30.50	27.80	37.20	—	—
La.	23.80	21.70	31.20	26.10	36.00	—	—
Okla.	24.00	21.60	31.50	29.80	36.00	6.50	26.00
Texas	23.20	20.90	31.00	29.40	34.40	11.60	23.90
W. S. Cents	23.50	21.20	31.10	29.30	35.20	11.40	24.00
Mont.	23.90	22.70	30.80	29.20	35.10	7.00	26.40
Idaho	24.00	22.00	29.80	27.70	34.50	7.00	26.00
Wyo.	22.80	23.60	30.20	29.30	35.90	6.80	27.00
Colo.	24.20	23.00	31.10	30.90	37.30	8.60	25.80
N. Mex.	—	21.50	31.50	30.30	36.50	9.00	28.00
Ariz.	25.20	20.30	30.80	30.40	33.80	7.00	28.00
Utah	23.60	21.80	28.80	26.90	34.50	8.20	26.00
Nev.	—	21.50	31.00	28.20	34.00	8.70	27.50
Mount.	24.10	22.10	30.80	29.80	35.30	7.55	26.40
Wash.	—	20.70	28.00	26.70	34.70	6.00	24.20
Oreg.	—	20.80	28.90	26.60	33.80	6.40	24.00
Calif.	25.10	22.30	30.80	29.70	33.10	8.00	27.40
Fed.	25.10	21.80	30.30	29.00	33.70	7.67	26.40
48 States	23.80	21.90	30.40	28.50	35.60	8.24	26.50
Hawaii	35.90	17.60	25.50	23.50	—	—	—
U. S.	23.80	21.50	30.40	28.60	35.60	8.24	26.50

1/ Includes cull dairy cows sold for slaughter, but not dairy cows for herd replacement.

2/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined with allowance where necessary for slaughter bulls.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions,
March and April 1970

State and division	Milk sold to plants, price per cwt. Mar. 1970						April 1970		
	Eligible for fluid market 1/	Grade	Milk	Price Fat test 2/	Price Fat test 3/	Price per cwt.	All Milk 2/	Fat	Cows per head 3/
	Dol.	Pot.	Dol.	Pot.	Dol.	Pot.	Dol.	Pot.	Dol.
Maine	6.75	3.79	—	—	6.75	3.79	6.60	3.74	330
N. H.	6.50	3.87	—	—	6.50	3.87	6.40	3.83	345
Vt.	6.25	3.81	—	—	6.25	3.81	6.15	3.76	350
Mass.	6.65	3.77	—	—	6.65	3.77	6.55	3.73	365
R. I.	6.55	3.70	—	—	6.55	3.70	6.40	3.64	370
Conn.	6.65	3.77	—	—	6.65	3.77	6.55	3.72	375
N. Eng.	6.47	3.80	—	—	6.47	3.80	6.36	3.75	352
N. Y.	5.70	3.62	—	—	5.70	3.62	5.65	3.60	350
N. J.	6.15	3.71	—	—	6.15	3.71	6.15	3.67	400
Pa.	6.25	3.80	4.55	3.70	6.20	3.80	6.10	3.75	380
N. Atl.	5.92	3.69	4.55	3.70	5.91	3.69	5.84	3.66	364
Ohio	6.05	3.81	4.71	3.85	5.90	3.81	5.80	3.74	350
Ind.	5.90	3.78	4.65	3.91	5.70	3.80	5.45	3.74	320
Ill.	5.50	3.70	4.60	3.70	5.25	3.70	5.15	3.66	300
Mich.	5.90	3.73	4.60	3.80	5.70	3.74	5.65	3.68	360
Wis.	5.23	3.69	4.85	3.68	5.02	3.68	4.96	3.66	360
E. N. Cent.	5.60	3.73	4.81	3.70	5.29	3.72	5.21	3.68	347
Minne.	5.00	3.64	4.47	3.53	4.58	3.55	4.61	3.52	360
Iowa	5.61	3.76	4.61	3.64	4.86	3.67	4.81	3.61	325
Mo.	5.85	3.70	4.60	3.79	5.30	3.74	5.15	3.67	265
N. Dak.	5.15	3.50	4.50	3.50	4.75	3.50	4.70	3.45	315
S. Dak.	5.60	3.60	4.57	3.55	4.71	3.56	4.68	3.51	305
Nebr.	5.85	3.65	4.70	3.64	5.20	3.64	4.85	3.57	300
Kans.	6.05	3.68	4.70	3.73	5.60	3.70	5.30	3.57	305
W. N. Cent.	5.53	3.67	4.53	3.58	4.82	3.61	4.78	3.56	325
Del.	6.50	3.76	—	—	6.50	3.76	6.35	3.72	290
Md.	6.50	3.83	—	—	6.50	3.83	6.30	3.76	310
Va.	6.65	3.78	4.30	3.85	6.35	3.79	6.15	3.71	225
W. Va.	6.30	3.77	—	—	6.15	3.78	6.00	3.72	210
N. C.	7.05	3.77	4.40	4.13	6.95	3.78	6.75	3.71	215
S. C.	6.80	3.92	—	—	6.80	3.92	6.60	3.82	200
Ga.	6.75	3.73	—	—	6.75	3.73	6.70	3.70	250
Fla.	7.35	3.58	—	—	7.35	3.58	7.20	3.50	245
S. Atl.	6.84	3.75	4.35	3.91	6.76	3.75	6.57	3.69	242
Ky.	6.00	3.77	4.20	3.80	5.35	3.78	4.95	3.68	250
Tenn.	6.35	3.78	4.35	4.00	5.75	3.85	5.40	3.74	225
Ala.	6.85	3.85	4.15	4.10	6.75	3.86	6.70	3.76	250
Miss.	6.40	3.82	4.35	3.89	6.20	3.83	6.10	3.76	235
E. S. Cent.	6.33	3.80	4.27	3.89	5.81	3.82	5.50	3.72	239
Ark.	6.80	3.65	4.65	3.71	6.10	3.66	5.95	3.57	225
La.	6.70	3.72	—	—	6.70	3.72	6.45	3.68	335
Okla.	6.25	3.61	4.55	3.73	6.10	3.62	5.85	3.47	270
Texas	6.80	3.62	—	—	6.80	3.62	6.65	3.50	340
W. S. Cent.	6.67	3.64	4.62	3.72	6.56	3.64	6.37	3.54	311
Mont.	5.75	3.66	3.90	3.74	5.55	3.67	5.35	3.56	330
Idaho	5.40	3.79	4.60	3.72	4.80	3.74	4.80	3.65	340
Wyo.	6.25	3.65	—	—	5.70	3.67	5.55	3.54	270
Colo.	6.30	3.66	—	—	6.30	3.66	6.25	3.58	365
N. Mex.	6.25	3.62	—	—	6.25	3.62	6.10	3.52	250
Ariz.	6.50	3.60	—	—	6.50	3.60	6.35	3.50	315
Utah	5.75	3.66	4.60	3.62	5.40	3.65	5.30	3.58	330
Nev.	5.60	3.56	—	—	5.60	3.56	5.80	3.50	310
Mount.	6.06	3.65	4/4.58	4/3.71	5.60	3.67	5.53	3.58	340
Wash.	5.75	3.83	—	—	5.75	3.83	5.75	3.77	315
Oreg.	6.05	3.92	4.65	4.05	5.75	3.95	5.55	3.89	300
Calif. 5/	5.45	3.63	4.30	3.77	5.35	3.64	5.25	3.56	395
Fao.	5.54	3.68	4.36	3.82	5.45	3.69	5.36	3.62	371
48 States	5.95	3.71	4/4.62	4/3.65	5.55	3.69	5.45	3.64	327
Hawaii	5.26	3.40	—	—	5.26	3.40	5.35	3.35	—
U. S.	5.95	3.71	4/4.62	4/3.65	5.55	3.69	5.47	3.64	327

1/ Includes surplus diverted to manufacturing. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Mid-month price. 4/ Includes data for some States not shown separately. 5/ Milk priced f.o.b. ranch.

Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970										
State	Turkeys	Chickens	Broilers	Eggs	Wool	Seeds per bush.	Red clover	Sweet clover	Timothy	Lespedeza
and division	keys : excluding: per lb.	keys : broilers : per lb.	per lb.	per doz.	per lb.	Alfalfa	Red clover	Sweet clover	Timothy	Lespedeza
	Cents					Dollars				
Maine	—	11.0	4/ 17.0	44.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
N. H.	—	10.0	—	44.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vt.	—	10.0	—	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mass.	—	10.0	—	47.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
R. I.	—	10.0	—	50.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Conn.	—	10.0	4/ 17.0	51.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
N. Eng.	—	10.3	17.0	46.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
N. Y.	—	10.5	—	36.0	39	—	—	—	—	—
N. J.	—	9.5	—	38.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pa.	29.0	13.5	16.0	36.0	37	—	—	—	—	—
E. Atl.	29.0	12.2	16.0	35.3	37.7	—	—	—	—	—
Ohio	26.0	10.5	14.5	37.0	35	—	32.00	9.00	7.50	—
Ind.	26.0	9.0	14.0	38.0	33	—	34.00	—	—	12.50
Ill.	28.0	8.0	—	32.0	36	—	35.00	—	—	11.00
Mich.	25.0	8.0	—	31.0	36	—	31.00	—	—	—
Wis.	27.0	7.5	14.5	32.0	35	—	34.00	—	—	—
W. N. Cent.	26.7	8.9	14.3	34.9	35.1	—	32.70	9.00	7.50	11.90
Minne.	25.0	8.0	—	24.0	34	—	36.00	9.00	9.00	—
Iowa	24.0	6.5	—	26.0	34	—	37.00	—	8.50	—
Mo.	24.0	8.0	14.0	34.0	32	—	38.00	—	9.00	11.00
N. Dak.	—	5.5	—	26.0	36	—	—	8.00	—	—
S. Dak.	—	5.5	—	24.0	36	—	—	10.00	—	—
Nebr.	—	4.5	—	23.2	33	—	31.00	—	9.50	—
Kans.	—	6.0	—	27.0	35	—	31.00	35.00	10.00	—
W. S. Cent.	24.8	6.5	5/ 14.5	26.3	34.7	31.40	36.40	9.32	8.98	10.60
Del.	—	13.5	15.0	54.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Md.	—	11.5	15.0	50.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Va.	24.0	13.0	4/ 15.5	36.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
W. Va.	24.0	12.0	14.5	45.0	44	—	—	—	—	—
N. C.	24.0	13.0	14.0	45.0	43	—	—	—	—	19.70
S. C.	24.0	11.5	13.5	37.0	—	—	—	—	—	21.60
Ga.	22.0	9.0	4/ 12.5	40.0	—	—	—	—	—	28.50
Fla.	—	7.5	13.0	32.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
S. Atl.	23.8	10.3	13.7	39.7	43.5	—	—	—	—	26.90
Ky.	—	10.5	—	35.0	35	—	38.00	—	—	14.80
Tenn.	—	10.0	4/ 15.5	39.0	—	—	—	—	—	19.60
Ala.	—	11.0	4/ 12.5	41.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miss.	—	10.5	4/ 12.5	42.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
E. S. Cent.	—	10.5	12.7	40.4	35.0	—	38.00	—	—	16.10
Ark.	24.0	11.0	4/ 13.5	32.9	—	—	—	—	—	19.50
La.	—	11.0	13.0	34.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Okla.	—	9.0	14.0	35.7	36	—	28.00	—	—	—
Texas	27.0	11.0	13.5	37.0	43	—	—	—	—	—
W. S. Cent.	26.9	10.9	13.5	34.7	42.8	28.00	—	—	—	19.50
Mont.	—	—	—	44.0	43	—	34.80	—	—	—
Idaho	—	—	—	37.0	44	—	40.90	—	—	—
Wyo.	—	9.5	—	38.0	39	—	—	—	—	—
Colo.	—	—	—	30.0	38	—	33.50	—	—	—
N. Mex.	—	—	—	35.0	36	—	—	—	—	—
Ariz.	—	8.0	—	27.0	35	—	—	—	—	—
Utah	—	—	—	32.0	39	—	35.50	—	—	—
Nev.	—	—	—	34.0	40	—	40.50	—	—	—
Mount.	—	8.0	—	33.8	39.5	37.90	—	40.90	—	—
Wash.	24.0	8.0	17.5	30.0	43	—	—	—	—	—
Greg.	26.0	7.5	17.5	38.0	44	—	42.50	40.50	—	—
Calif.	24.0	8.5	16.5	29.3	40	—	38.00	—	—	—
Pac.	24.2	8.4	16.8	29.8	41.2	36.30	—	40.50	—	—
48 States	24.3	9.3	5/ 13.7	35.1	39.0	37.40	36.00	9.32	8.88	17.50
Hawaii	—	12.5	32.5	53.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
U. S.	24.3	9.3	5/ 13.7	35.1	39.0	37.40	36.00	9.32	8.88	17.50
1/ Average for the month. 2/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail. 3/ Incentive payment not included. 4/ Liveweight equivalent price. 5/ Includes data for some States not shown separately.										

Average prices per ton received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	All 1/	Hay, baled				
		Alfalfa	Clover- timothy	Lespedeza	Peanut- vine	Wild
		<u>Dollars</u>				
Maine	31.30	38.50	31.00			
N. H.	34.30	39.00	33.50			
Vt.	32.50	37.00	31.00			
Mass.	38.60	44.00	37.00			
R. I.	41.70	46.50	40.50			
Conn.	40.40	45.50	39.00			
N. Eng.	34.10	39.50	32.70			
N. Y.	25.80	29.50	27.00			
N. J.	38.00	40.00	35.50			
Pa.	30.00	33.50	27.00			
M. Atl.	27.90	31.50	27.20			
Chic.	25.00	28.00	23.00			
Ind.	25.50	27.00	23.50			
Ill.	25.00	26.00	23.50			
Mich.	23.50	24.00	21.00			
Wis.	19.00	20.00	16.50			
E. N. Cent.	21.90	22.60	20.80			
Minn.	20.00	21.00	19.00			13.00
Iowa	20.40	21.00	19.00			
Mo.	23.00	26.00	21.50	23.00		
N. Dak.	16.00	19.00				12.50
S. Dak.	17.50	18.50				15.50
Nebr.	18.40	18.00				20.00
Kans.	21.50	23.00	20.00	19.50		19.00
W. N. Cent.	19.70	20.70	20.20	22.60		16.60
Del.	36.60	40.00	36.00			
Md.	33.30	38.00	30.00			
Va.	34.10	40.00	34.50	34.50	26.00	
W. Va.	33.00	36.00	34.00			
N. C.	34.60	40.00	34.00	35.00	23.00	
S. C.	31.30			32.00		
Ga.	30.50	37.00		32.50	24.00	
Fla.	34.30				26.00	
S. Atl.	33.20	38.30	33.60	34.00	24.30	
Ky.	27.50	30.50	28.00	23.50		
Tenn.	29.50	35.50	30.50	28.00		
Ala.	29.10	39.50	32.00	32.50	24.00	
Miss.	25.50	33.00	28.00	30.00		
E. S. Cent.	28.00	31.50	29.00	26.20	24.00	
Ark.	24.40	32.00	26.50	27.00		
La.	26.10	35.00		30.00		
Okla.	26.50	32.00		23.00	22.00	21.00
Texas	27.50	36.00			26.00	
W. S. Cent.	26.60	33.10	26.50	25.70	23.80	21.00
Mont.	22.00	22.00	22.00			21.00
Idaho	21.00	21.00	19.00			17.00
Wyo.	24.50	24.50	23.00			26.00
Colo.	26.00	26.50	28.00			29.00
N. Mex.	33.00	34.00				
Ariz.	32.80	33.00				
Utah	25.00	25.50	22.50			20.50
Nev.	27.00	28.50	24.00			23.00
Mount.	24.70	25.10	23.70			23.50
Wash.	27.50	28.00	24.50			20.50
Oreg.	28.00	29.00	26.00			22.50
Calif.	30.00	31.00				
Pac.	29.10	30.20	25.20			22.20
U. S.	24.00	24.50	25.00	26.40	24.00	18.60

1/ The all hay price is the weighted average of separate kinds, including an allowance for kinds not shown.

Potatoes: Average prices per cwt. received by farmers,
by States, April 1970

State	Dollars	State	Dollars
Maine	2.65	North Carolina	—
Massachusetts	3.20	Florida	5.19
Rhode Island	3.20	Alabama	:
Connecticut	3.20	Texas	5.70
New York-All	3.57	Montana	3.50
Long Island	3.10	Idaho	2.33
Upstate	3.85	Wyoming	2.40
New Jersey	—	Colorado	2.00
Pennsylvania	3.90	New Mexico	—
Ohio	3.20	Arizona	3.00
Indiana	3.10	Utah	:
Michigan	3.80	Washington	1.90
Wisconsin	3.55	Oregon	2.10
Minnesota	1.95	California-All	3.37
North Dakota	1.95	Winter 1970	3.85
South Dakota	—	Late Spring	3.85
Nebraska	1.00	Early Summer	—
:	:	Late Summer	3.05
Delaware	—	Fall 1969	—
Maryland	—	United States	2.70
Virginia	—		

Average prices received by growers for tobacco and peanuts, by types and areas,
April 1969 and 1970
(Cents per pound)

Area	Peanuts		Tobacco	
	April 1969	April 1970	Class	Type
	1/	1/	1/	1/
Virginia-Carolina	:	:	:	:
Southeast	:	Insufficient	:	:
Southwest	:	Sales	Southern Maryland	32 : 70.5 : 75.0
	:	:	:	:
	:	:	:	:
	:	:	:	:
	1/	1/	1/	1/

1/Prices by States are shown on page 10.

Milkfat in cream: Average price per lb. received by farmers, by States and
geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State	Cents	State	Cents
Minnesota	74	Nebraska	65
Iowa	74	Kansas	68
Missouri	70	W. N. Cent.	71.1
North Dakota	72	Montana	69
South Dakota	70	United States	71.0

Citrus fruit: Average prices and equivalent returns per box received by growers, by utilization

Commodity and State	:F.O.B.: :packed: :fresh :	Equivalent returns per box 1/ Packinghouse door : All : Fresh : Process.	On-tree All : Fresh : Process.	Dollars
ORANGES:				
Florida	3.75	1.88	2.15	1.85
Other Early and Mids. .	---	---	---	1.08
Valencias	3.75	1.88	2.15	1.85
Texas	3.60	1.48	1.70	1.30
Arizona	4.80	1.75	3.10	.65
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	1.15
Valencias	4.80	1.75	3.10	.65
California	5.15	2.19	3.15	.26
Navels	5.40	2.38	3.40	.18
Valencias	4.35	1.62	2.35	.45
California-Arizona	---	---	---	2.63
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---
Valencias	---	---	---	---
U. S.	4.70	1.93	2.81	1.66
				1.14
GRAPEFRUIT:				
Florida	5.02	2.80	3.43	2.26
White Seedless	4.80	2.81	3.22	2.40
Pink Seedless	5.40	3.04	3.81	1.90
Other than Seedless .	4.00	2.32	2.51	2.30
Texas	4.30	1.45	1.75	1.15
Arizona	4.00	1.76	2.45	1.10
California	3.90	1.19	2.08	.72
Desert Valleys	3.90	1.19	2.08	.72
Other Areas	---	---	---	---
California-Arizona .				
Desert Valleys	---	---	---	1.74
U. S.	4.81	2.26	2.82	1.78
				1.70
LEMONS:				
Arizona	---	---	---	---
California	8.20	3.70	5.94	1.72
U. S.	8.20	3.70	5.94	1.72
				2.52
TANGELOS: Florida				
TEMPLES: Florida				
TANGERINES:				
Florida	---	---	---	---
Arizona	---	---	---	---
California	4.80	2.70	3.00	.64
U. S.	4.80	2.70	3.00	.64
				1.96
1/ Approximate net contents per box are as follows: Oranges - California and Arizona, 75 lbs.; Florida and other States, 90 lbs.; Tangerines - 95 lbs.; California and Arizona, 75 lbs.; Grapefruit - California Desert Valleys and Arizona, 64 lbs.; other California areas, 67 lbs.; Florida, 85 lbs.; Texas, 80 lbs.; Lemons - 76 lbs.; Tangelos - 90 lbs.				

Local market commodity-feed price ratios, United States, April 15, 1970
with comparisons 1/

Commodity-feed Price Ratio	: April : 15, : 15, : 15, : 15,	: April : 1968 : 1969 : 1970 : 1970		
Hog-corn: Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 lbs. of hog, liveweight	:			
United States	17.5	17.5	22.7	20.7
North Central States	17.9	17.9	23.2	21.2
Egg-feed: Pounds of laying feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs	7.2	2/9.3	10.2	8.5
Broiler-feed: Pounds of broiler grower equal in value to 1 lb. broiler liveweight 2/	3.2	3.3	3.1	2.9
Turkey-feed: Pounds of turkey grower equal in value to 1 lb. turkey, liveweight	4.2	4.6	5.6	5.4
Milk-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. whole milk 3/	1.60	2/1.67	1.73	4/1.71

1/ Long-time average comparisons published in Supplement No. 1 to the May 1966 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES. 2/ Revised. 3/ Broiler and milk-feed price ratios are monthly average. 4/ Preliminary.

Milk-feed price ratios, milk prices, and ration values, by region and United States, April 1970, with comparisons 1/

Region	: Milk-feed price ratio 2/ : All milk price per cwt. : Ration value 3/	: April : March : April : March : April : March : April
	: 1969 : 1970 : 1970 : 1969 : 1970 : 1969 : 1970 : 1970	: - Pounds - : - - - D o l l a r s - - -
N. Atl.	: 4/1.56 : 1.62 : 1.61 : 5.67	6.01 5.94 4/3.63 3.70 3.70
E. N. Cent.	: 4/1.67 : 1.75 : 1.72 : 4.97	5.29 5.21 4/2.97 3.03 3.03
W. N. Cent.	: 1.73 : 1.81 : 1.78 : 4.52	4.82 4.78 2.62 2.67 2.68
S. Atl.	: 4/1.87 : 1.90 : 1.84 : 4/6.46	6.76 6.57 4/3.45 3.56 3.58
S. Cent.	: 4/1.75 : 1.85 : 1.77 : 4/5.77	6.20 5.92 4/3.29 3.35 3.35
West.	: 1.63 : 1.70 : 1.67 : 4/5.16	5.49 5.40 4/3.16 3.22 3.23
U. S.	: 4/1.67 : 1.73 : 1.71 : 5.23	5.55 5.47 4/3.13 3.20 3.20

1/ Data for current month are preliminary. 2/ Pounds of concentrate ration equal in value to 1 pound milk sold to plants. 3/ Value per 100 pounds of concentrate ration fed to milk cows. 4/ Revised.

Parity price equivalent for manufacturing milk 1/, United States April 1970, with comparisons

	: April : 1969	: March : 1970	: April : 1970
Parity equivalent	Dol. per cwt.: 5.19	5.49	5.52
Average price-f.o.b. plants ..	Dol. per cwt.: 4.33	4.62	3/4.58
Average fat test of milk	Percent : 2/3.62	3.65	3/3.62

1/ Based on prices received by farmers for all manufacturing grade milk. Parity price equivalent relates to the national average price for all manufacturing grade milk of average milkfat content sold by farmers. The parity price equivalent during 1970 is 79.9 percent of the parity price of all milk sold to plants, which compares with 79.3 percent in 1969. For additional details see Supplement No. 1 to the January 1970 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary.

Feed: Average prices paid by farmers,
United States, April 15, 1970 with comparisons

Commodity and unit	Average:		1969		1970	
	Feb. 1963-65; 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15
	Dollars					
Alfalfa hay, baled, per ton	32.8	35.1	36.0	35.9	35.8	35.6
Other hay, baled, per ton	32.0	32.2	32.8	32.5	33.9	33.7
Cottonseed meal, 41 pct., 100 lb.	4.53	5.03	5.01	5.00	5.53	5.40
Soybean meal, 44 pct., 100 lb.	4.91	5.21	5.21	5.21	5.87	5.62
Bran, per 100 lb.	3.15	3.64	3.59	3.62	3.82	3.72
Middlings, per 100 lb.	3.23	3.73	3.67	3.69	3.91	3.72
Corn meal, per 100 lb.	3.25	3.22	3.24	3.23	3.37	3.36
Laying feed, per ton 1/	84	79	79	79	83	83
Broiler grower feed, per ton 1/	91	88	88	90	94	94
Turkey grower feed, per ton 1/	89	87	87	87	94	92
Chick starter feed, per ton 1/	95	93	92	93	99	98
Dairy feed						
14 pct. protein, per ton	68	67	67	67	70	69
16 pct. protein, per ton	72	72	72	71	75	73
18 pct. protein, per ton	72	75	74	74	78	74
20 pct. protein, per ton	78	78	77	78	82	79
32 pct. protein, per ton	—	99	99	99	105	105
40 pct. and over, per ton	—	108	107	107	115	114
Hog feed, 14-18 pct., 100 lb.	4.23	4.42	4.39	4.38	4.61	4.49
Hog feed, over 29 pct., 100 lb.	5.85	6.30	6.27	6.29	6.99	6.76
Cattle feed, 30% and over, 100 lb. ...	4.59	4.68	4.69	4.65	4.96	4.80
	INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)					
Feed, prices paid by farmers	206	204	204	205	215	212
	210					

1/ Beginning January 1969 "Complete" ration feed specified which is fed without further mixing or supplementation. No specification as to "completeness" made prior to January 1968 for laying feed and turkey grower and January 1969 for broiler grower and chick starter.

Livestock: Average prices paid by farmers,
United States, April 15, 1970 with comparisons

Commodity and unit	Average:		1969		1970	
	Feb. 1957-59; 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15
	Dollars					
Feeders and stockers:						
Cattle and calves, 100 lb. ...	23.1	27.1	28.9	29.7	31.3	32.8
Lambs, per 100 lb.	"	20.7	26.4	27.3	25.7	28.8
Pigs, per 100 lb. 1/	"	18.5	32.0	35.0	37.5	57.0
Baby chicks, per 100	"	13.0	11.5	11.9	12.5	12.0
Turkey poult., each	Ct.	59.0	55.8	56.3	56.5	55.4
	INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)					
All livestock	357	405	430	441	465	484
	473					

1/ Based on data derived from reports from farmers in 27 States on prices paid for feeder pigs weighing 40-60 lbs. Prior to July 1965 based on data derived from price reports on 100-160 lb. feeder pigs in Sioux City, Iowa-St. Paul, Minnesota markets.

Feed: Average price per 100 pounds paid by farmers,
by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	Cotton- Bran		Soybean- seed meal Middlings			Hog feed	Beef cattle concentrate, 30% and over	
	41%	44%	44%	meal	Corn meal	14-18%	Over 20%	protein
Dollars								
Maine	3.90	3.95	5.90	—	4.10	4.65	—	—
N. H.	3.80	—	6.00	5.80	3.90	4.65	—	—
Vt.	3.90	4.05	5.90	5.80	4.05	4.65	—	—
Mass.	3.85	3.95	5.90	5.80	4.05	4.65	—	—
R. I.	3.90	3.95	—	—	4.05	—	—	—
Conn.	4.10	—	5.90	5.80	4.10	4.75	—	—
N. Eng.	3.92	3.96	5.94	5.80	4.05	4.66	—	—
N. Y.	3.60	3.80	6.00	5.40	3.60	4.50	6.70	5.40
N. J.	4.10	—	6.10	6.00	3.90	4.60	—	5.20
Pa.	3.65	3.80	5.70	5.50	3.55	4.40	6.50	5.10
N. Atl.	3.68	3.80	5.75	5.53	3.61	4.47	6.56	5.19
Ohio	3.90	3.95	5.90	5.60	2.90	4.35	6.70	5.50
Ind.	4.00	4.05	5.80	5.70	2.60	4.50	6.90	5.60
Ill.	3.90	3.90	5.50	5.40	2.95	5.00	6.80	5.20
Mich.	3.95	3.95	6.00	5.70	3.10	4.20	7.00	5.50
Wis.	3.50	3.65	5.50	5.40	2.85	4.70	6.90	5.80
E. N. Cent.	3.72	3.90	5.78	5.53	2.88	4.53	6.85	5.39
Minn.	3.50	3.50	5.40	5.10	2.60	4.45	6.70	4.95
Iowa	3.85	3.80	5.70	5.30	2.45	4.80	6.60	5.30
Mo.	3.25	3.30	4.90	5.20	3.00	4.20	6.20	4.45
N. Dak.	3.40	3.40	—	5.90	2.75	—	—	—
S. Dak.	4.00	4.05	5.80	5.60	2.50	—	—	—
Nebr.	3.50	3.55	5.60	5.40	2.70	4.50	6.50	4.60
Kans.	3.15	3.10	5.00	5.20	2.75	4.40	6.20	4.30
W. N. Cent.	3.43	3.57	5.25	5.25	2.65	4.44	6.45	4.71
Del.	3.95	—	—	5.70	3.80	4.20	6.40	—
Md.	3.85	4.00	5.60	5.60	3.50	4.50	6.50	5.20
Va.	3.90	4.10	5.50	5.70	3.80	4.40	6.10	5.10
W. Va.	3.90	4.25	5.50	5.80	3.80	4.65	6.60	—
N. C.	3.80	3.85	5.50	5.50	3.50	4.40	6.50	5.30
S. C.	3.95	3.90	5.10	5.60	3.75	4.60	6.50	5.30
Ga.	4.05	4.10	5.10	5.60	3.55	4.55	6.30	5.10
Fla.	4.15	4.20	5.20	5.60	3.80	4.75	6.10	5.20
S. Atl.	3.92	4.07	5.38	5.63	3.66	4.50	6.36	5.18
Ky.	3.75	3.80	5.30	5.50	3.20	4.35	6.10	4.80
Tenn.	3.50	3.50	4.90	5.40	3.90	4.25	6.00	4.35
Ala.	3.85	4.10	4.70	5.30	3.50	4.35	6.00	4.85
Miss.	3.75	3.80	4.60	4.80	3.45	4.35	5.80	4.35
E. S. Cent.	3.66	3.76	4.88	5.32	3.51	4.32	5.98	4.56
Ark.	3.30	3.35	4.40	5.20	3.35	4.10	6.20	4.80
La.	3.35	3.90	5.00	5.00	3.70	4.65	6.20	4.50
Okla.	3.20	3.25	4.80	5.40	3.40	—	—	—
Tex.	3.60	3.60	4.95	5.30	3.80	—	—	—
W. S. Cent.	3.44	3.48	4.82	5.27	3.67	4.38	6.20	4.73
Mont.	3.20	3.05	5.40	5.80	3.20	—	—	—
Idaho	3.00	2.80	5.80	6.70	3.30	—	—	—
Wyo.	3.35	3.45	5.60	6.00	3.45	—	—	—
Colo.	3.65	3.70	5.30	5.50	3.10	—	—	—
N. Mex.	3.95	4.10	5.10	5.60	4.00	—	—	—
Ariz.	4.25	—	4.10	6.30	—	—	—	—
Utah	3.05	3.05	5.10	6.40	3.50	—	—	—
Nev.	4.20	4.00	5.40	—	4.20	—	—	—
Mount.	3.60	3.55	5.28	5.95	3.28	—	—	—
Wash.	3.65	3.85	5.40	6.40	4.00	—	—	—
Oreg.	3.50	3.70	5.40	6.30	3.70	—	—	—
Calif.	3.95	4.25	4.75	6.00	4.00	—	—	—
Fa. & C.	3.81	3.92	5.09	6.23	3.96	—	—	—
Hawaii	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
U. S.	3.65	3.74	5.26	5.46	3.37	4.43	6.57	4.73
^{1/} The corrected March 15, 1970 U.S. price for beef cattle concentrate, 30% and over protein is \$4.80.								

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	Dairy feed, percent protein						40 and over
	14	16	18	20	32		
	Dollars						
Maine	73	72	75	75	—	—	—
N. H.	73	71	74	73	—	—	—
Vt.	71	69	72	73	—	—	—
Mass.	71	69	72	73	—	—	—
R. I.	70	69	72	72	—	—	—
Conn.	71	69	72	73	—	—	—
N. Eng.	72	70	73	73	—	—	—
N. Y.	77	74	75	78	89	94	—
N. J.	92	86	83	92	102	110	—
Pa.	82	78	80	83	102	107	—
M. Atl.	80	76	77	81	97	103	—
Ohio	79	84	86	—	108	118	—
Ind.	69	79	—	—	105	110	—
Ill.	84	83	82	—	111	118	—
Mich.	74	76	—	84	114	119	—
Wis.	66	68	74	82	105	113	—
E. N. Cent.	75	76	81	82	107	115	—
Minn.	65	67	73	78	102	114	—
Iowa	71	73	81	—	111	118	—
Mo.	67	70	71	78	91	100	—
N. Dak.	66	69	—	—	100	110	—
S. Dak.	79	81	—	—	105	118	—
Nebr.	71	74	78	84	103	112	—
Kans.	70	74	75	80	95	110	—
W. N. Cent.	69	71	74	79	100	108	—
Del.	—	80	—	—	—	—	—
Md.	74	76	78	—	102	110	—
Va.	76	79	78	80	102	112	—
W. Va.	78	82	85	87	—	111	—
V. C.	72	76	78	83	98	117	—
S. C.	72	75	81	83	98	—	—
Ga.	72	78	80	85	90	110	—
Fla.	63	66	72	83	—	95	—
S. Atl.	70	76	77	83	100	112	—
Ky.	71	73	—	83	100	108	—
Tenn.	69	72	75	76	97	98	—
Ala.	67	72	73	75	88	102	—
Miss.	66	68	70	73	84	—	—
E. S. Cent.	70	71	73	80	96	106	—
Ark.	66	68	77	—	—	—	—
La.	68	71	74	76	—	—	—
Okla.	63	67	69	70	89	110	—
Texas	68	74	75	75	88	97	—
W. S. Cent.	66	71	75	75	88	102	—
Mont.	62	66	79	—	—	—	—
Idaho	65	68	—	—	91	106	—
Nyo.	—	86	—	—	—	—	—
Colo.	77	75	—	—	96	93	—
N. Mex.	72	75	—	—	—	—	—
Ariz.	68	72	—	—	—	105	—
Utah	64	65	—	—	90	—	—
Nev.	79	86	—	—	—	—	—
Mount.	70	74	—	—	92	99	—
Wash.	67	69	—	—	—	—	—
Oreg.	72	68	—	—	100	—	—
Calif.	66	69	70	—	—	—	—
Pao.	67	69	—	—	—	—	—
Hawaii	—	100	—	97	—	—	—
U. S.	69	73	76	80	102	111	—

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers for poultry feed, and poultry feed price ratios, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	Poultry feeds, per ton						Poultry price ratios 1/	
	Chick starter	Laying feed	Broiler grower	Turkey grower	Egg- feed	Broiler feed	Turkey feed	
	Dollars						Pounds	
Maine	86	72	90	93	12.2	3.8	—	—
N. H.	88	72	90	93	12.2	—	—	—
Vt.	90	74	93	95	10.8	—	—	—
Mass.	86	72	90	91	13.1	—	—	—
R. I.	86	72	90	91	13.9	—	—	—
Conn.	86	72	90	91	14.2	3.8	—	—
N. Eng.	86	72	90	92	12.9	3.8	—	—
N. Y.	97	85	100	103	8.5	—	—	—
N. J.	98	81	106	108	9.4	—	—	—
Pa.	100	87	97	101	8.3	3.3	5.7	—
M. Atl.	99	85	97	102	8.5	—	—	—
Chic.	101	85	94	91	8.7	3.1	5.7	—
Ind.	94	81	89	90	9.4	3.1	5.8	—
Ill.	111	96	103	104	6.7	3.1	5.4	—
Mich.	101	79	90	105	7.8	3.8	4.8	—
Wis.	107	88	96	94	7.3	3.0	5.7	—
E. M. Cent.	102	85	93	95	8.2	3.1	5.6	—
Man.	104	87	80	85	5.5	3.9	5.9	—
Iowa	107	82	95	94	6.3	3.6	5.1	—
Me.	98	78	84	87	8.7	3.3	5.5	—
N. Dak.	104	95	94	88	5.5	—	—	—
S. Dak.	110	80	—	88	6.0	—	5.5	—
Nebr.	101	87	91	91	5.3	4.0	4.4	—
Kans.	97	83	96	97	6.5	3.3	—	—
W. N. Cent.	102	83	84	89	6.3	3.5	5.6	—
Del.	104	89	103	105	12.2	2.9	—	—
Md.	103	90	102	106	11.1	2.9	—	—
Va.	92	84	95	92	8.7	3.3	5.2	—
W. Va.	103	91	100	106	9.9	2.9	4.5	—
N. C.	96	85	96	93	10.6	2.9	5.2	—
S. C.	96	85	100	93	8.7	2.7	5.2	—
Ga.	100	83	99	100	9.6	2.5	4.4	—
Fla.	95	88	91	96	7.3	2.9	—	—
S. Atl.	99	85	99	96	9.3	2.8	5.0	—
Ky.	108	94	103	99	7.4	—	—	—
Tenn.	101	87	92	101	9.0	3.4	—	—
Ala.	91	84	87	94	9.8	2.9	4.7	—
Miss.	91	83	85	97	10.1	2.9	—	—
E. S. Cent.	95	85	87	98	9.5	2.9	—	—
Ark.	98	78	88	93	8.4	3.1	5.2	—
La.	92	78	85	—	8.7	3.1	—	—
Oklahoma	92	85	94	94	8.4	3.0	—	—
Tex.	104	91	101	103	8.1	2.7	5.2	—
W. S. Cent.	100	83	91	99	8.4	3.0	—	—
Mont.	106	93	101	109	9.5	—	—	—
Idaho	102	85	100	112	8.7	—	—	—
Wyo.	110	99	—	—	7.7	—	—	—
Colo.	106	92	101	109	6.5	—	4.4	—
N. Mex.	100	92	—	93	7.6	—	—	—
Ariz.	99	92	110	90	5.9	—	—	—
Utah	93	78	92	95	8.2	—	5.1	—
Nev.	129	106	123	120	6.4	—	—	—
Mount.	102	89	99	99	7.6	—	—	—
Wash.	98	83	99	88	7.2	3.5	5.5	—
Oreg.	96	86	101	92	8.8	3.5	5.7	—
Calif.	87	72	89	84	8.1	3.7	5.7	—
Pac.	90	74	92	85	8.1	3.7	5.7	—
Hawaii	125	108	129	—	10.1	5.0	—	—
U. S.	98	83	93	92	8.5	2.9	5.4	—

1/ Number of pounds of laying feed, equivalent in value to one dozen eggs, number of pounds of broiler grower equal in value to one pound of broiler live weight, and number of pounds turkey grower equal in value to one pound of turkey live weight.

SEED PRICES HIGHER THAN YEAR AGO

Prices paid by farmers in mid-April for seeds for spring planting averaged 5 percent higher than last April. The Crop Reporting Board announced that the mid-April index of prices paid by farmers for seed was 267 percent of its 1910-14 average, up 13 points from April 1969.

Open-pollinated sorghum grain for planting showed the sharpest price increase, with average prices paid 26 percent higher than in April 1969. Substantial increases were also reported for sudangrass, up 18 percent; hybrid seed corn, up 15 percent; seed peanuts, up 13 percent; and tall fescue, up 12 percent. Increases ranging from 2 to 7 percent were shown for seed oats, seed barley, ladino clover, Kentucky bluegrass, orchardgrass, annual ryegrass, non-certified alfalfa, seed flax, forage sorghum seed, certified alfalfa, red clover, seed potatoes, and hybrid sorghum grain seed.

Sericea lespedeza seed showed the largest price decline with a 30 percent drop from a year earlier. Reductions ranging from 2 to 9 percent were reported for Korean and Striate Kobe lespedeza seed, sweet clover, soybean seed, cottonseed for planting, and timothy.

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices, United States, April 15, 1970, with comparisons

Item and unit	April 15, 1967	April 15, 1968	April 15, 1969	April 15, 1970	Dollars
Alfalfa, Uncertified Varieties,					
per 100 lb.	50.60	58.20	54.60	57.30	
Alfalfa, Certified Varieties,					
per 100 lb.	60.40	65.50	62.30	65.80	
Clover, Red, per 100 lb.	39.90	48.50	57.40	60.70	
Clover, Alsike, per 100 lb.	32.40	32.00	37.20	37.10	
Clover, Sweet, per 100 lb.	17.20	17.40	24.50	23.60	
Clover, Ladino, per lb. ....	.922	1.14	1.28	1.31	
Lespedeza, Korean, per 100 lb.	22.60	25.60	26.20	24.20	
Lespedeza, Striate, Kobe, per 100 lb.	30.10	26.50	31.90	30.20	
Lespedeza, Sericea, per 100 lb.	36.70	37.60	53.30	37.30	
Timothy, per 100 lb.	22.50	20.40	24.50	24.00	
Orchardgrass, per 100 lb.	34.90	33.70	40.60	41.70	
Ryegrass, Annual, per 100 lb.	13.50	15.40	17.60	18.30	
Bluegrass, Kentucky, per lb. ....	.659	.596	.594	.609	
Fescue, Tall, per 100 lb.	19.30	21.30	28.50	32.00	
Sudangrass, per 100 lb.	13.40	13.50	13.40	15.80	
Seed Potatoes, per 100 lb.	3.13	2 ¹ /2 ² 2.92	2 ¹ /2 ² 3.60	3.81	
Seed Corn, Hybrid, per bu.	12.90	13.90	13.70	15.70	
Seed Wheat, (Spring), per bu.	2.78	2.54	2.39	2.38	
Seed Oats, per bu.	1.56	1.62	1.64	1.67	
Seed Barley, per bu.	1.91	1.96	1.83	1.86	
Seed Flax, per bu.	1/	4.27	4.22	4.43	
Seed Peanuts, per 100 lb.	1/	32.80	35.50	40.20	
Soybeans for Seed, per bu.	4.39	4.05	4.16	4.02	
Cottonseed for Planting, per 100 lb.	12.30	18.20	16.10	15.70	
Grain Sorghums, Hybrid, per 100 lb.	19.20	19.20	19.50	20.80	
Grain Sorghums, Open-pollinated,					
per 100 lb.	9.45	9.01	9.10	11.50	
Forage Sorghums, per 100 lb.	12.40	13.20	12.40	13.00	

¹/ Not available. ²/ Season average price.

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970.

State and division	ALFALFA		CLOVER			
	Uncertified varieties, per 100 lb.	Certified varieties, per 100 lb.	Red, per 100 lb.	Alsike, per 100 lb.	Sweet, per 100 lb.	Ladino, per lb.
Dollars						
Maine	62.0	82.0	68.0	42.0	—	1.40
N. H.	62.0	72.0	64.0	40.0	30.0	1.35
Vt.	62.0	74.0	65.0	40.0	30.0	1.40
Mass.	62.0	82.0	65.0	40.0	30.0	1.35
R. I.	—	—	—	—	—	1.35
Conn.	62.0	82.5	65.0	47.0	30.0	1.35
N. Eng.	62.0	76.5	65.7	40.8	30.0	1.37
N. Y.	62.5	74.5	66.0	40.0	30.0	1.35
N. J.	62.0	73.0	65.0	38.0	30.0	1.35
Pa.	61.0	71.0	65.5	37.0	27.0	1.35
M. Atl.	51.9	73.1	65.7	38.2	27.9	1.35
Ohio	53.0	63.5	55.0	33.0	21.5	1.20
Ind.	58.0	68.0	61.0	36.0	26.0	1.35
Ill.	55.5	68.5	60.5	37.0	25.0	1.30
Mich.	58.0	69.5	55.5	38.5	24.5	1.35
Wis.	55.0	65.5	60.5	37.0	24.5	1.30
E. N. Cent.	55.7	66.7	58.7	36.0	24.2	1.30
Minn.	57.5	66.0	60.5	37.0	24.5	1.20
Iowa	59.0	65.5	60.5	38.0	25.0	1.20
Mo.	54.0	62.0	56.5	35.0	22.0	1.20
N. Dak.	54.5	64.0	58.0	35.0	21.0	1.25
S. Dak.	58.5	62.5	61.0	37.0	22.0	1.25
Nebr.	55.5	62.0	58.0	36.0	21.5	1.25
Kans.	50.5	62.0	58.0	36.0	21.5	1.25
W. N. Cent.	55.3	63.7	59.5	36.9	23.0	1.21
Del.	—	—	63.0	37.0	—	1.35
Md.	60.0	68.0	63.0	37.0	25.5	1.35
Va.	58.0	68.0	61.5	34.5	24.0	1.20
W. Va.	58.0	66.0	64.5	35.0	24.0	1.25
N. C.	60.0	68.0	60.0	35.0	30.0	1.20
S. C.	—	—	—	—	—	1.25
Ga.	59.0	64.0	—	—	—	1.25
Fla.	—	—	—	—	—	—
S. Atl.	58.8	67.2	62.5	35.8	26.4	1.27
Ky.	55.0	64.0	56.5	36.0	24.0	1.15
Tenn.	50.0	60.0	58.0	36.0	24.0	1.10
Ala.	53.0	60.0	56.0	—	—	1.20
Miss.	—	—	56.0	—	—	1.20
E. S. Cent.	53.7	62.8	56.8	36.0	24.0	1.15
Ark.	50.0	58.0	56.0	36.0	22.0	1.10
La.	49.0	55.0	52.0	36.0	—	1.10
Okla.	45.0	51.5	52.0	—	22.5	1.15
Texas	52.0	57.0	52.0	—	20.0	1.10
W. S. Cent.	46.9	53.2	53.0	36.0	21.0	1.12
Mont.	61.5	67.0	67.0	40.0	25.5	1.25
Idaho	57.5	67.5	65.0	39.0	26.5	1.25
Wyo.	62.0	69.0	65.0	38.0	26.0	—
Colo.	55.0	64.5	60.0	37.0	25.0	1.35
N. Mex.	55.0	63.0	—	—	27.5	—
Ariz.	55.0	69.0	—	—	—	—
Utah	54.0	63.0	65.0	—	26.0	1.35
Nev.	58.0	65.0	—	—	—	—
Mount.	58.0	65.3	64.4	38.9	25.5	1.28
Wash.	69.0	74.0	72.0	41.0	28.5	1.30
Oreg.	68.0	71.0	58.0	40.0	29.0	1.15
Calif.	64.0	67.0	62.0	45.0	35.0	1.10
Fa.	66.0	69.5	64.5	41.5	30.9	1.15
U. S.	57.3	65.8	60.7	37.1	23.5	1.31

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970
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State and division	LESPEDEZA			Timothy	Crohard	Ryegrass	Bluegrass
	Korean	Striate	Sericia	per 100 lb.	per 100 lb.	per 100 lb.	Annual per lb.
Dollars							
Maine	—	—	—	25.0	—	25.0	58
N. H.	—	—	—	24.0	55.0	20.0	58
Vt.	—	—	—	24.0	58.0	20.0	58
Mass.	—	—	—	24.0	—	20.0	58
R. I.	—	—	—	25.0	—	20.0	58
Conn.	—	—	—	26.0	51.0	25.0	61
N. Eng.	—	—	—	24.6	54.9	22.0	58.5
N. Y.	—	—	—	28.0	46.5	23.0	67
N. J.	—	—	—	25.0	45.0	21.5	65
Pa.	30.0	—	—	22.5	48.0	21.0	60
Pa. Atla.	—	—	—	25.0	47.0	21.9	64.0
Ohio	26.0	—	—	19.0	47.0	20.5	58
Ind.	28.0	30.0	—	23.0	43.5	22.0	65
Ill.	28.5	—	45.0	24.0	41.0	23.0	62
Mich.	—	—	—	24.0	47.0	22.0	65
Wis.	—	—	—	25.0	42.0	23.0	60
E. N. Cent.	28.0	—	—	23.4	44.0	22.2	62.0
Minn.	—	—	—	26.0	44.5	23.0	65
Iowa	30.0	—	—	24.0	43.0	23.0	63
Me.	21.0	28.0	41.0	17.0	40.5	21.0	56
N. Dak.	—	—	—	23.0	43.0	22.0	57
S. Dak.	—	—	—	26.0	42.5	23.0	66
Nebr.	—	—	—	26.0	43.0	23.0	76
Kans.	27.5	—	40.0	26.0	41.0	23.0	75
W. N. Cent.	24.5	—	40.1	23.9	42.1	22.5	63.5
Del.	26.0	—	—	20.0	39.0	18.0	58
Md.	26.5	32.5	38.0	20.0	39.0	18.0	58
Va.	23.5	30.0	36.0	19.0	39.0	15.0	51
W. Va.	24.0	30.0	37.0	19.0	39.0	16.0	55
N. C.	24.5	31.0	40.0	20.0	40.0	15.5	56
S. C.	25.0	32.0	38.0	—	40.0	13.0	57
Ga.	27.0	33.0	37.0	—	42.0	14.0	58
Fla.	25.0	33.0	—	—	—	13.0	—
S. Atla.	24.9	31.8	37.9	19.4	39.5	15.3	55.0
Ky.	21.0	29.0	37.0	24.0	37.0	18.0	50
Tenn.	20.0	26.5	34.5	24.0	36.0	14.5	48
Ala.	22.0	30.0	36.5	—	34.5	13.5	51
Miss.	22.0	29.0	35.0	—	35.0	13.0	—
E. S. Cent.	20.7	28.6	35.7	24.0	36.4	14.6	49.4
Ark.	21.0	29.0	40.0	—	37.0	12.0	67
La.	21.0	32.5	42.0	—	—	13.0	—
Okl.	22.0	29.0	42.0	—	38.0	15.0	72
Tex.	22.0	30.0	43.0	—	—	15.0	—
W. S. Cent.	21.4	29.6	41.6	—	37.6	13.8	69.5
Mont.	—	—	—	26.5	45.0	21.0	60
Idaho	—	—	—	27.5	44.5	21.0	64
Wyo.	—	—	—	29.0	44.0	—	70
Colo.	—	—	—	26.0	44.0	20.0	74
N. Mex.	—	—	—	—	—	—	80
Ariz.	—	—	—	—	—	16.0	—
Utah	—	—	—	—	40.0	18.0	70
Neve.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mount.	—	—	—	27.0	43.9	19.4	66.1
Wash.	—	—	—	29.5	51.5	17.5	64
Oreg.	—	—	—	31.0	44.0	13.0	63
Calif.	—	—	—	33.0	49.0	17.5	65
Fao.	—	—	—	30.4	47.6	15.5	64.4
U. S.	24.2	30.2	37.3	24.0	41.7	18.3	60.9

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970
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State and division	Fescue, per 100 lb.	Sudan grass, per 100 lb.	Seed potatoes, per 100 lb.	Seed corn, per bu.	Seed Hybrid, per bu.	Seed Wheat (Spring), per bu.	Seed Oats, per bu.	Seed Barley, per bu.
D o l l a r s								
Maine	—	19.0	3.00	—	—	2.00	—	—
N. H.	—	19.0	3.10	—	—	—	—	—
Vt.	—	19.0	3.10	16.5	—	2.10	—	—
Mass.	—	19.0	3.20	16.5	—	—	—	—
R. I.	—	—	3.20	—	—	—	—	—
Conn.	—	19.0	3.20	15.0	—	—	—	—
N. Eng.	—	19.0	3.04	16.1	—	2.02	—	—
N. Y.	42.0	22.5	4.20	14.0	—	2.00	3.20	—
N. J.	42.0	22.0	4.00	12.5	—	2.00	—	—
Pa.	42.0	20.0	4.60	13.6	—	1.95	3.10	—
M. Atl.	42.0	21.2	4.30	13.7	—	1.96	3.13	—
Ohio	35.0	18.5	5.20	14.2	—	1.70	—	—
Ind.	35.5	20.0	3.30	14.1	—	1.60	—	—
Ill.	33.5	19.5	4.50	17.5	—	1.70	2.70	—
Mich.	40.0	19.5	4.10	14.0	—	1.60	2.45	—
Wis.	38.0	19.0	3.50	12.6	3.20	1.80	2.75	—
E. N. Cent.	35.0	19.3	4.11	15.5	—	1.68	2.69	—
Minn.	34.5	22.0	2.70	17.6	2.90	1.55	2.05	—
Iowa	31.5	22.0	2.70	17.0	—	1.80	2.90	—
Mo.	28.0	18.5	3.50	14.2	—	1.45	—	—
N. Dak.	31.0	18.5	2.50	15.2	2.25	1.30	1.65	—
S. Dak.	32.0	17.5	2.90	15.6	2.40	1.50	2.00	—
Nebr.	37.0	16.0	3.20	15.7	—	1.55	2.00	—
Kans.	36.0	16.5	3.50	13.0	—	1.40	2.00	—
W. N. Cent.	30.8	18.0	2.89	16.3	2.35	1.43	1.78	—
Del.	—	18.0	4.40	15.5	—	2.00	—	—
Md.	34.5	19.0	4.40	15.0	—	2.00	3.10	—
Va.	32.0	17.0	5.50	13.5	—	2.05	3.10	—
W. Va.	32.0	17.0	5.00	14.0	—	2.05	—	—
N. C.	30.5	19.0	5.20	14.3	—	1.95	3.00	—
S. C.	28.0	17.0	5.50	14.7	—	1.75	—	—
Ga.	34.0	19.0	—	15.4	—	1.75	—	—
Fla.	—	—	4.00	15.0	—	1.80	—	—
S. Atl.	31.4	18.2	4.56	14.7	—	1.86	3.07	—
Ky.	26.5	15.5	5.70	13.7	—	1.75	2.25	—
Tenn.	24.0	14.5	5.60	13.0	—	1.65	—	—
Ala.	28.0	14.5	5.00	14.6	—	1.90	—	—
Miss.	29.0	14.5	5.30	14.7	—	1.50	—	—
E. S. Cent.	26.9	14.9	5.12	13.8	—	1.67	—	—
Ark.	27.5	12.0	4.70	14.0	—	1.50	—	—
La.	27.5	14.0	4.00	14.0	—	1.50	—	—
Okla.	32.0	10.0	—	12.7	—	1.60	2.10	—
Tex.	30.0	11.0	4.50	12.0	—	1.60	2.50	—
W. S. Cent.	30.1	10.9	4.50	12.6	—	1.59	2.18	—
Mont.	36.5	18.5	4.10	16.5	2.50	1.20	1.80	—
Idaho	34.5	21.0	3.30	17.0	2.55	1.45	2.00	—
Wyo.	36.0	18.0	3.00	16.5	2.65	1.40	1.90	—
Colo.	36.5	16.0	3.50	16.3	2.90	1.40	2.00	—
N. Mex.	35.0	14.0	4.50	14.5	—	—	2.15	—
Ariz.	34.0	14.0	4.40	—	—	—	—	—
Utah	34.0	14.0	4.20	16.0	2.90	1.60	2.30	—
Nev.	—	—	4.20	—	2.65	1.60	2.30	—
Mount.	35.6	15.4	3.41	16.3	2.53	1.41	1.90	—
Wash.	35.5	21.0	5.00	17.4	2.70	1.45	2.20	—
Oreg.	30.0	20.0	3.40	16.2	2.40	1.30	1.80	—
Calif.	37.0	14.0	4.80	17.0	2.60	1.80	1.90	—
Pac.	33.2	15.1	4.75	17.0	2.62	1.66	1.94	—
U. S.	32.0	15.8	3.86	15.7	2.38	1.67	1.86	—

1/ Season average price.

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970 (Continued)

State and division	Seed per bu.	Seed per 100 lb.	Soybeans per bu.	Cottonseed per 100 lb.	GRAIN SORGHUMS per 100 lb.	Forage per 100 lb.
<u>Dollars</u>						
Maine						
N. H.						
Vt.						
Mass.						
R. I.						
Conn.						
N. Eng.						
N. Y.			5.00			
N. J.			4.90			
Pa.			4.97			
M. Atl.			3.90			
Ohio			4.10		22.0	16.0
Ind.			4.00		24.0	16.0
Ill.			4.10			
Mich.			4.30			
Wis.	4.90		4.02		23.0	16.0
E. N. Cent.			4.00			20.3
Minn.	4.50		4.15		21.0	15.0
Iowa	4.50		4.00	20.0	21.5	16.0
Mo.			3.50			16.0
N. Dak.	4.40		4.00		20.0	15.0
S. Dak.	4.40		4.20		20.0	15.5
Nebr.			3.50		21.0	15.0
Kans.			4.04		20.6	15.2
W. N. Cent.	4.42		4.90			
Del.			5.00			
Md.		45.0	5.00		20.5	13.0
Va.						16.0
W. Va.		45.0	4.60	26.5	20.5	15.0
N. C.		45.0	4.40	24.0	22.0	13.0
S. C.		42.0	4.50	23.0	22.0	13.0
Ga.		40.0	4.50			
Fla.		42.5	4.62	24.2	21.0	14.0
S. Atl.			4.10		19.0	15.0
Ky.			3.80		16.0	15.0
Tenn.		30.0	4.50	17.0	20.0	14.0
Ala.			3.70		16.0	12.0
Miss.			3.89	16.3	19.9	13.4
E. S. Cent.			3.60	16.0	21.0	10.0
Ark.			4.00	14.0	20.0	10.5
La.		40.0	4.20	15.0	20.0	9.5
Okl.			4.50	13.0	20.0	9.5
Texas	4.80	40.0	3.81	13.7	20.0	9.5
W. S. Cent.		40.0				10.3
Mont.	4.50					
Idaho						
Wyo.					22.0	10.0
Colo.				20.0	21.5	9.5
N. Mex.		39.0		20.0	24.0	9.5
Ariz.						11.0
Utah						
Nev.				20.0	22.5	9.7
Mount.						12.0
Wash.						
Oreg.				16.0	26.0	10.0
Calif.	5.30					18.0
Pac.				15.7	20.8	11.5
U. S.	4.43	40.2	40.2			13.0

Fertilizers and Agricultural Limestone: Prices paid by farmers per ton for selected commercial fertilizers, United States, April 15, 1970, with comparisons

Item	Average	1968	1969	1970		
	1957-59	April 15	Sept. 15	April 15	Sept. 15	April 15
	Dollars					
Mixed fertilizers:						
0-20-20	64.3	64.9	60.3	57.9	57.1	60.6
3-9-9	42.4	60.6	60.4	57.9	58.8	61.9
3-9-18	—	51.5	50.6	48.1	47.6	50.8
4-8-12	47.8	54.4	53.4	53.7	53.0	54.0
4-12-12	39.6	43.1	42.9	41.8	42.6	45.2
5-10-5	45.8	53.2	53.1	54.4	53.5	53.1
5-10-10	50.1	51.3	50.4	48.7	48.7	51.1
5-10-15	58.3	45.9	45.3	44.3	44.6	47.7
5-20-20	77.6	72.7	70.4	65.8	64.9	68.4
6-8-8	42.8	43.0	43.5	43.0	43.5	44.5
6-12-12	50.5	47.8	47.7	46.3	47.4	50.4
6-24-24	91.1	81.8	78.4	73.2	72.4	75.0
7-21-7	—	—	—	70.6	67.1	69.7
8-8-8	54.1	46.7	47.3	46.2	46.6	48.9
8-32-16	—	—	—	82.6	80.4	82.9
10-10-10	66.2	62.7	60.6	58.8	58.1	59.8
10-20-10	81.7	68.1	65.8	66.1	67.7	69.1
12-12-12	71.1	69.1	66.7	64.1	63.3	65.2
13-13-13	—	67.8	65.7	64.4	65.8	67.0
16-20-0	89.6	78.4	78.6	77.7	77.0	76.9
18-46-0	—	101.0	95.2	94.1	92.0	94.4
Fertilizer material:						
Nitrate of soda	59.8	59.9	59.8	59.9	60.1	62.2
Sulphate of ammonia	59.3	53.9	53.4	52.5	52.6	52.4
Ammonium nitrate	81.8	67.9	65.3	61.7	60.1	60.0
Ammonium nitrate-limestone mixture	59.2	56.3	55.7	50.5	50.8	51.5
Anhydrous ammonia	149.0	91.4	85.6	75.6	72.8	75.0
Superphosphate						
20 percent P ₂ O ₅	37.0	43.2	43.1	43.8	44.5	45.4
46 percent P ₂ O ₅	82.2	78.4	75.1	74.0	73.4	75.1
Phosphate rock	21.4	21.5	22.2	22.2	22.4	23.5
Muriate of potash, 60% K ₂ O 1/	52.1	49.1	48.5	47.8	45.2	50.9
Agricultural limestone (spread on field)	4.55	5.28	5.27	5.46	5.42	5.52
Gypsum (land plaster)	15.7	17.5	18.4	18.0	17.5	17.7
Nitrogen Solutions:						
28 percent N	—	54.5	53.6	41.8	42.7	41.7
30 percent N	—	62.7	60.8	53.6	52.4	53.9
32 percent N	—	65.8	65.3	57.6	58.1	53.0

1/ 55% prior to September 1967.

Mixed fertilizer: Average price per ton paid by farmers for principal grades used in specified States, April 15, 1970

Northeastern States

State	5-10-5	5-10-10	8-12-12	10-6-4	10-10-10	10-15-15	10-20-20	15-10-10
	Dollars							
Maine	—	59.0	66.0	68.0	68.0	76.0	—	78.0
N. H.	—	59.0	69.0	67.0	69.0	80.0	—	78.0
Vt.	—	60.0	71.0	67.0	69.0	79.0	—	78.0
Mass.	—	62.0	71.0	69.0	73.0	81.0	—	81.0
R. I.	—	62.0	71.0	69.0	72.0	79.0	—	81.0
Conn.	—	62.0	71.0	69.0	72.0	79.0	—	82.0
N. Y.	56.0	58.0	—	—	68.0	—	88.0	—
N. J.	51.0	55.0	—	62.0	65.0	—	88.0	—
Pa.	53.0	55.0	—	61.0	64.0	—	86.0	—
U. S.	—	66.3	63.7	—	76.2	1/85.7	71.5	—

1/ Includes Kentucky and Tennessee.

Mixed fertilizers: Average price per ton paid by farmers for principal grades used in specified States, April 15, 1970 (Continued)

North Central States

State	5-20-20	6-24-24	7-21-7	8-32-16	11-48-0	12-12-12	16-16-16	18-46-0	29-14-0
	<u>Dollars</u>								
Ohio	68.0	73.0	71.0	79.0	—	64.0	72.0	88.0	—
Ind.	70.0	76.0	—	84.0	—	68.0	73.0	92.0	—
Ill.	72.0	79.0	—	88.0	—	69.0	72.0	92.0	—
Mich.	65.0	71.0	—	77.0	—	61.0	65.0	91.0	—
Wis.	69.0	74.0	70.0	84.0	—	64.0	73.0	95.0	—
Minn.	69.0	75.0	70.0	83.0	—	64.0	82.0	99.0	—
Iowa	69.0	75.0	69.0	84.0	—	74.0	84.0	97.0	—
Mo.	—	76.0	—	85.0	—	62.0	—	99.0	—
N. Dak.	*84.0	—	—	—	85.0	—	—	90.0	79.0
S. Dak.	*82.0	—	71.0	—	95.0	—	—	97.0	78.0
Nebr.	*86.0	—	70.0	—	96.0	—	—	94.0	73.0
Kans.	—	80.0	—	86.0	—	71.0	—	87.0	—
U. S.	—	—	—	82.9	1/	70.2	—	76.4	—

1/ Shown in Western States. *10-34-0

Southeastern States

State	3-9-9	3-9-18	4-8-8	4-12-12	5-10-10	5-10-15	6-12-12	10-10-10	15-10-10
	<u>Dollars</u>								
Del.	—	—	—	—	48.0	—	—	—	68.0
Md.	—	—	—	—	48.0	—	—	—	68.0
Va.	58.0	48.0	—	45.5	47.0	—	—	56.0	—
W. Va.	—	—	—	—	54.0	—	—	61.0	—
N. C.	63.0	55.0	—	53.0	52.0	—	—	61.0	—
S. C.	59.0	46.5	—	46.5	46.5	—	—	56.0	—
Ga.	—	—	37.0	42.5	—	45.0	46.5	54.0	—
Fla.	—	—	44.5	47.0	—	49.0	46.5	52.0	—
U. S.	—	—	44.4	—	2/	—	—	—	2/

2/ Shown in Northeastern States.

South Central States

State	0-20-20	4-12-12	5-10-15	6-12-12	6-24-24	8-8-8	10-20-10	13-13-13	18-46-0
	<u>Dollars</u>								
Ky.	—	—	62.0	54.0	78.0	—	*81.0	—	—
Tenn.	—	—	65.0	51.0	76.0	—	*79.0	—	—
Ala.	—	44.5	—	—	69.0	47.0	—	64.0	—
Miss.	—	45.0	—	—	74.0	49.5	—	66.0	—
Ark.	60.0	—	—	—	75.0	49.0	70.0	74.0	90.0
La.	61.0	—	—	—	76.0	52.0	69.0	69.0	100
Okl.	56.0	—	—	—	73.0	50.0	63.0	64.0	87.0
Texas	65.0	—	—	—	82.0	53.0	67.0	75.0	94.0
U. S.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Western States

State	8-24-0	9-30-0	10-34-0	11-48-0	16-20-0	18-46-0	19-9-0
	<u>Dollars</u>						
Mont.	—	—	94.0	94.0	75.0	96.0	—
Idaho	—	—	90.0	98.0	75.0	110	—
Wyo.	—	—	94.0	99.0	72.0	99.0	—
Colo.	—	—	92.0	98.0	75.0	105	—
N. Mex.	—	—	100	—	85.0	100	—
Ariz.	—	—	98.0	105	79.0	105	—
Utah	—	—	—	97.0	80.0	105	—
Nev.	—	—	—	105	84.0	110	—
Wash.	82.0	89.0	—	110	78.0	110	—
Oreg.	79.0	94.0	—	110	75.0	115	75.0
Calif.	78.0	88.0	—	100	83.0	110	75.0
U. S.	78.8	90.7	3/88.3	93.7	—	—	75.0

3/ Includes North Dakota, South Dakota and Nebraska.

Fertilizer materials and agricultural limestone: Average prices per ton paid by farmers
for specified materials, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1970

State and division	Sul-	Nitrate	phate	Ammonium Anhydrous	45-46%	Urea	Superphosphate	Phos-	Muriate	Agricul-
	soda	of	nitrate	ammonia	N	P O	P O	phate	of potash	tural
	ammonia					25	25	rock	60% K O	lime-
Dollars										
Maine	—	—	—	68.0	—	89.0	49.0	—	—	7.10
N. H.	—	—	—	—	—	89.0	48.5	—	—	10.50
Vt.	—	—	—	—	—	93.0	50.0	—	—	5.70
Mass.	78.0	—	—	71.0	—	89.0	48.0	—	—	7.20
R. I.	—	—	—	—	—	90.0	48.0	—	—	—
Conn.	79.0	—	—	—	—	90.0	48.0	—	—	8.00
N. Eng.	78.3	—	—	69.5	—	89.5	49.2	—	—	7.21
N. Y.	—	50.0	67.0	—	—	65.0	49.0	—	70.0	10.00
N. J.	—	—	62.0	—	—	86.0	45.0	—	63.0	12.00
Pa.	—	42.0	64.0	—	—	82.0	47.5	—	67.0	8.40
M. Atl.	—	43.0	64.5	—	—	83.0	48.0	—	66.4	9.37
Ohio	—	41.0	61.0	72.0	—	80.0	48.0	72.0	30.0	52.0
Ind.	—	42.5	60.0	73.0	—	81.0	46.5	72.0	22.5	50.0
Ill.	—	44.0	61.0	71.0	—	85.0	42.0	74.0	22.0	46.0
Mich.	—	48.0	60.0	72.0	—	78.0	46.0	73.0	35.0	50.0
Wis.	—	—	64.0	76.0	—	85.0	47.0	80.0	30.0	50.0
E. N. Cent.	—	43.0	61.0	71.9	—	80.4	44.7	74.4	22.4	48.3
Minn.	—	46.0	63.0	75.0	—	90.0	46.0	79.0	31.0	53.0
Iowa	—	48.0	62.0	70.0	—	82.0	43.5	75.0	—	52.0
Mo.	—	—	59.0	70.0	—	77.0	40.0	78.0	24.0	51.0
N. Dak.	—	—	56.0	85.0	—	74.0	—	76.0	—	49.0
S. Dak.	—	63.0	59.0	80.0	—	83.0	46.0	78.0	—	58.0
Nebr.	—	—	66.0	58.0	—	71.0	78.0	47.0	76.0	—
Kans.	—	60.0	54.0	67.0	—	73.0	43.0	73.0	28.0	51.0
W. N. Cent.	—	62.1	58.1	70.6	—	75.9	45.4	75.4	24.1	52.6
Del.	—	—	64.0	—	—	79.0	43.0	—	—	9.60
Md.	62.0	—	64.0	90.0	—	79.0	43.0	—	—	9.00
Va.	64.0	—	65.0	—	—	84.0	38.0	—	62.0	7.20
W. Va.	—	—	68.0	—	—	81.0	43.0	—	64.0	7.50
N. C.	62.0	—	62.0	88.0	—	88.0	41.0	—	66.0	9.70
S. C.	60.0	—	60.0	90.0	—	86.0	37.0	—	59.0	8.00
Ga.	62.0	—	59.0	95.0	—	85.0	34.5	—	61.0	9.00
Fla.	58.0	51.0	59.0	—	—	100.0	32.5	—	59.0	8.20
S. Atl.	61.3	—	60.1	83.6	—	85.9	38.9	—	61.3	8.47
Ky.	—	—	59.0	72.0	—	87.0	46.0	75.0	26.0	57.0
Tenn.	69.0	—	56.0	73.0	—	81.0	45.0	77.0	—	59.0
Ala.	59.0	50.0	57.0	80.0	—	77.0	35.5	—	58.0	7.70
Miss.	62.0	—	56.0	63.0	—	80.0	38.5	—	55.0	8.20
E. S. Cent.	63.8	—	56.8	67.8	—	80.4	40.2	75.3	—	57.3
Ark.	66.0	50.0	58.0	72.0	—	72.0	42.0	76.0	—	54.0
La.	63.0	51.0	56.0	70.0	—	79.0	44.5	80.0	26.0	58.0
Okl.	—	50.0	52.0	69.0	—	74.0	44.0	73.0	28.0	49.5
Texas	—	49.0	63.0	67.0	—	84.0	42.0	76.0	26.0	53.0
W. S. Cent.	64.6	49.4	57.4	67.7	—	77.6	42.7	75.0	27.3	52.9
Mont.	—	64.0	64.0	140	—	88.0	—	81.0	—	62.0
Idaho	—	54.0	68.0	125	—	94.0	65.0	—	71.0	—
Wyo.	—	64.0	67.0	140	—	94.0	—	80.0	—	60.0
Colo.	—	61.0	67.0	87.0	—	93.0	—	83.0	—	59.0
N. Mex.	—	58.0	75.0	80.0	—	89.0	47.0	81.0	—	57.0
Ariz.	—	62.0	82.0	85.0	—	92.0	62.0	—	64.0	—
Utah	—	55.0	66.0	—	—	89.0	39.0	—	—	—
Nev.	—	59.0	85.0	90.0	—	96.0	55.0	—	—	—
Mont.	—	56.3	67.8	92.7	—	92.1	48.5	82.1	—	62.4
Wash.	—	64.0	81.0	140	—	97.0	57.0	—	—	61.0
Oreg.	—	59.0	74.0	125	—	90.0	53.0	—	—	61.0
Calif.	—	49.0	78.0	95.0	—	89.0	50.0	—	—	53.0
Pan.	—	52.5	78.8	110	—	91.2	50.8	—	—	58.8
U. S.	—	62.2	52.4	60.0	75.0	82.9	45.4	75.1	23.5	50.9
										5.52

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Support Price Announcements for Agricultural Products
March 27 - April 28, 1970

Flaxseed - 1970 Crop: Flaxseed from the 1970 crop will be supported at a national average of \$2.50 per bushel, compared to \$2.75 for the 1969 crop.

USDA 976-70; issued 4/27/70

Butterfat - 1970-71 Marketing Year: The support price for butterfat in farm-separated cream for the marketing year beginning April 1, 1970, is 71.5 cents per pound, 2.9 cents above the 1969-70 support.

USDA 1006-70, issued 3/31/70

Tobacco - 1970 Crop: Support prices for 1970-crop tobacco are:

Type of Tobacco	<u>1969 Crop</u>	<u>1970 Crop</u>
	<u>Average</u>	<u>Average</u>
	<u>Loan Level</u>	<u>Loan Level</u>
	(Cents per lb.)	(Cents per lb.)
Flue-cured, types 11-14	63.8	66.6
Burley, type 31	65.8	68.6
Virginia fire-cured, type 21	44.6	46.6
Kentucky-Tennessee fire-cured types 22-23	44.6	46.6
Dark air-cured, types 35-36	39.7	41.4
Virginia sun-cured, type 37	39.7	41.4
Cigar binder, types 51-52	45.5	47.5
Cigar filler and binder, types 42-44, 53-55	32.9	34.3
Puerto Rican, type 46	34.2	35.6

USDA 1046-70, issued 4/2/70

Honey - 1970 Crop: The price-support loan level for 1970-crop honey is 13 cents per pound, the same as for 1969. Loans are available for extracted honey in 60-pound containers.

USDA 1095-70, issued 4/7/70

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