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PRICES RECEIVED AND PARITY INDEXES UP 1 POINT; ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO 79

During the month ended July 15, the Index of Prices Received by Farmers advanced 1 point (1/3 percent) to 260 percent of its 1910-14 average, the Crop Reporting Board announced today. Contributing most to the increase were higher prices for hogs, fluid market milk, and eggs. Partially offsetting were price declines for apples, cotton, and wheat. The July index was 1½ percent above a year earlier.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Including Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates advanced 1 point (1/4 percent) during the month to a new high of 355. The index was 3 percent above a year earlier.

With prices of farm products, prices paid by farmers, and farm wage rates all higher, the preliminary Adjusted Parity Ratio remained unchanged at 79, and the Parity Ratio at 73.

SUMMARY TABLE

Index 1910-14=100	: July 15, 1967	: June 15, 1968	: July 15, 1968	: Record high Index : Date
Prices Received	: 256	259	260	313 Feb. 1951
Parity Index 1/	: 344	354	355	355 July 1968
Parity Ratio	: 74	73	73	123 Oct. 1946
Adjusted Parity Ratio 2/ (preliminary)	: 80	79	79	

1/ Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates based on data for indicated dates. 2/ The Adjusted Parity Ratio, reflecting Government payments, averaged 79 for the year 1967, 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 p. 30, April 1967 AGRICULTURAL PRICES, for a description of the method for making current estimates of the Adjusted Parity Ratio.

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PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

The Prices Received Index advanced 1 point from mid-June to mid-July. Of the 12 subgroup indexes shown on page 7, the following 5 contributed most to the 1-point net change.

MEAT ANIMALS: The index of prices received by farmers for meat animals rose 3 percent during the month ended July 15 to 364 (1910-14=100), mostly as a result of a \$1.50 per cwt. jump in prices received for hogs. Beef cattle were up 20 cents per cwt., but price declines of 50 cents for lambs, 41 cents for sheep, and 10 cents for calves were partially offsetting. At \$20.80 per cwt., hog prices were below last July, but the highest since then. Beef cattle, at \$24.00 per cwt., were at the highest level since May 1959. The July index was the highest for any month since August 1966. Receipts of hogs at 12 public stockyards together with 19 other public markets during the 4 weeks ended July 20 were down 3 percent from the preceding 4 weeks, and the same as a year earlier. Receipts of cattle at the 12 public stockyards together with 14 other markets were up 11 percent from the preceding 4 weeks, but down 2 percent from a year earlier.

FRUIT: Sharply lower prices for new-crop apples were mainly responsible for a 12-percent decrease in the fruit index during the month to 266. Slightly lower prices also were reported for peaches and pears. Partially offsetting were higher returns per unit for grapefruit, lemons, oranges, and strawberries. The index was 40 percent above July 1967, mostly because of higher equivalent returns for citrus.

POULTRY AND EGGS: A greater-than-seasonal increase in egg prices, together with higher prices for chickens and turkeys, lifted the poultry and egg index 6 percent during the month to 142. Mid-July prices received for eggs averaged 32.7 cents per dozen, 8 percent more than in mid-June. The average June-to-July change is an increase of 6 percent. Prices received for chickens advanced 3 percent during the month; turkey prices were 1 percent higher. The index was 8 percent above July 1967.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: A sharp increase in the price of fluid market milk in the North Atlantic Region during the month was largely responsible for a 2 percent increase in the dairy products index to 307. Sales by farmers of wholesale fluid market milk to plants and dealers in July averaged \$5.52 per cwt., 22 cents above the revised price for June and 30 cents higher than in July 1967. Manufacturing grade milk averaged \$4.15 per cwt. in July, down 1 cent from June, but 19 cents above a year earlier. The index was 5 percent higher than July 1967.

FEED GRAINS AND HAY: Lower prices for all feed grains and hay during the month resulted in a 4-percent decline in the feed grains and hay index to 157. Average prices received for corn slipped 3 cents per bushel from June. Oats and barley prices were down 8.8 cents and 5.2 cents per bushel, respectively. The average price of sorghum grain declined 6 cents per cwt. from mid-June. Hay prices averaged 50 cents per ton lower. Compared with July 1967, the index was down 12 percent.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The index of prices paid by farmers in mid-July, at 311 percent of the 1910-14 base, was unchanged from a month earlier. Family living items averaged slightly higher, while production goods prices averaged unchanged. The index was 3 percent above a year earlier.

RURAL CONSUMER INDEX RISES

The mid-July index of prices paid by farmers for family living items increased 1 point (1/3 percent) from mid-June. Higher average prices were reported for food and tobacco, building materials, and clothing. Prices for autos and auto supplies averaged lower, while household furnishings and household operation items averaged unchanged. Compared with a year earlier, prices averaged 4 percent higher.

FOOD: At mid-month, prices for food and tobacco purchased by farmers averaged $\frac{1}{2}$ percent above mid-June prices. Prices averaged higher for meats, fruits, beverages, eggs, poultry, and sweets. Dairy products, cereal and bakery products, and vegetables averaged lower. Compared with July of last year, food prices averaged 2 percent higher.

BUILDING MATERIALS, HOUSE: Mid-July prices paid by farmers for building materials used in the construction or repair of dwellings averaged $\frac{1}{2}$ percent higher than in mid-June. Prices averaged higher for framing lumber, boards, and nails. Lower average prices were reported for house windows and paint. Prices on July 15 averaged 7 percent above a year ago.

CLOTHING: In mid-July, prices paid by farmers for wearing apparel averaged only slightly higher than in mid-June, but 6 percent above a year earlier. Boys', girls', and men's clothing, and yard goods averaged higher than a month earlier, while women's clothing prices were down slightly.

PRODUCTION GOODS INDEX UNCHANGED

The index of prices paid by farmers for production goods, at 293, was unchanged from mid-June. Higher average prices were reported for feeder livestock and building and fencing materials. Average prices for feed and motor vehicles were lower, while farm supplies and motor supplies averaged unchanged. The index was $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent above July 15, 1967.

FEED: The index of prices paid by farmers for feed during the month ended July 15, at 202, was $\frac{1}{2}$ percent below mid-June. The decline in the index was due to lower prices for grains, beef cattle concentrates, hay, middlings, and bran. Prices for broiler grower, mixed hog feed, and soybean and cottonseed meals averaged higher during the month. The mid-July index compares with 212 a year earlier.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The index of prices paid by farmers for feeder livestock in mid-July, at 397, was 1 percent above the previous month. Higher prices for feeder cattle were largely responsible for the advance in the index. Partially offsetting was a decline in average prices paid for lambs, baby chicks, turkey poults, and feeder pigs. The index was 3 percent higher than in July last year.

MOTOR VEHICLES: Average prices paid by farmers for motor vehicles decreased slightly during the month ended mid-July as lower prices were paid for used automobiles and trucks. Compared with a year earlier, motor vehicles averaged 6 percent higher.

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Average prices received by farmers for farm products, United States, July 15, 1968
with comparisons

Commodity and unit	Average		July	May	June	July
	Jan. 1910- Dec. 1914	Jan. 1957- Dec. 1959	15, 1967	15, 1968	15, 1968	15, 1968
Wheat, per bu.	Dol.: .880	1.64	1.37	1.36	1.24	1.19
Rye, per bu.	": .725	1.01	1.09	.933	1.23	1.02
Rice (rough), per cwt.	": 1.81	4.87	1/5.10	1/5.35	1/5.38	1/5.33
Corn, per bu.	": .649	1.10	1.21	1.09	1.07	1.04
Oats, per bu.	": .399	.622	.669	.692	.694	.606
Barley, per bu.	": .617	.892	1.06	.986	5/983	.931
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	": ---	1.72	2.08	1.84	1.80	1.74
Hay, all, baled, per ton	": 11.90	19.10	22.40	22.40	21.90	21.40
Cotton, American upland, per lb.	Ct.: 2/1.92	30.90	20.92	21.09	20.79	20.04
Cotton, American-Egyptian, per lb.	": ---	55.4	51.0	47.9	48.4	48.5
Cottonseed, per ton	Dol.: 21.80	47.60	59.00	---	---	---
Soybeans, per bu.	": ---	2.09	2.66	2.58	2.54	2.52
Peanuts, per lb.	Ct.: 4.83	10.6	---	---	---	---
Flaxseed, per bu.	Dol.: 1.68	2.81	2.98	2.94	2.97	2.93
Potatoes, per cwt. 3/	": 1.13	1.71	2.54	2.55	2.71	3.04
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	": 1.61	4.30	6.22	8.03	11.60	7.55
Beans, dry edible, per cwt.	": 3.39	7.04	8.46	9.88	9.46	10.30
Peas, dry field (open mkt.), per cwt.	": ---	4.04	4.58	4.41	4.45	4.41
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 3/4/	Ct.: ---	4.70	6.58	5/10.8	11.5	6.57
Peaches for fresh use, per lb. 3/4/	": ---	5.56	8.39	---	8.52	5.96
Pears, for fresh use, per ton 3/4/	Dol.: ---	73.30	---	142.00	---	130.00
Strawberries, for fresh use, per lb. 3/	Ct.: ---	23.6	22.7	24.6	25.3	26.7
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box 3/	": ---	---	---	---	---	---
Grapefruit	Dol.: ---	1.33	.89	2.00	1.87	2.28
Lemons	": ---	1.42	2.38	2.97	2.89	3.00
Limes	": ---	4.79	1.08	10.40	1.98	4.04
Oranges	": ---	2.62	1.07	2.51	2.44	2.45
Tangelos	": ---	---	---	---	---	---
Tangerines	": ---	---	---	---	---	---
Hogs, per cwt.	": 7.29	17.30	21.50	18.20	19.30	20.80
All beef cattle, per cwt.	": 5.52	20.60	23.20	23.70	23.80	24.00
Cows, per cwt.	": ---	15.10	17.40	17.80	17.90	17.70
Steers and heifers, per cwt.	": ---	23.10	24.90	25.30	25.50	25.90
Calves, per cwt.	": 6.84	23.50	27.20	28.10	28.20	28.10
Sheep, per cwt.	": 4.59	6.48	6.22	6.91	6.70	6.29
Lambs, per cwt.	": 5.96	19.90	23.40	25.90	25.30	24.80
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct.: 26.3	60.1	66.1	66.7	66.7	67.0
All milk wholesale, per cwt. 3/	Dol.: 1.61	4.19	4.79	4.99	4.90	6/5.06
Milk eligible for fluid market	": ---	4.71	5.22	5.40	5.30	6/5.52
Milk of manufacturing grade	": ---	3.22	3.95	4.18	4.15	6/4.14
Milk, retail, per quart 7/	Ct.: 6.90	21.4	23.9	24.7	24.7	24.7
Chickens, all, live, per lb.	": 11.5	17.1	13.8	13.9	14.4	14.9
Chickens, excluding broilers, live, per lb.	": ---	13.2	7.6	7.9	7.9	8.0
Broilers, live, per lb. 3/	": ---	17.8	14.4	14.6	15.0	15.5
Turkeys, live, per lb.	": 14.3	24.0	20.4	19.0	19.5	19.7
Eggs, per dozen 8/	": 21.6	35.4	29.9	27.0	30.3	32.7
Wool, per lb. 3/9/	": 17.8	43.8	41.4	41.2	41.6	40.9
Mohair (Texas Only), per lb.	": ---	80.0	43.0	44.0	43.0	45.0

Adjusted for seasonal variation

All milk, wholesale, per cwt. 3/ ...	Dol.: ---	4.19	5.10	5.48	5.44	10/5.33
Eggs, per dozen	Ct.: ---	35.7	32.2	31.0	34.4	35.2

1/ Average for Mo., Miss., Ark., La., and Tex. 2/ All cotton. 3/ Average for the month.
4/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and prices as sold for other States. 5/ Correction. 6/ Prices are preliminary. Fat test percent for all milk, 3.56; fluid market, 3.55; manufacturing grade, 3.58. 7/ Sold by farmers directly to consumers. 8/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers, including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail. 9/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payment. 10/ Preliminary.

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

Based on price reports from 6,419 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 July 1968 with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Adjusted base prices 2/	Parity prices 3/ based on data for			Average prices as percentage of parity prices			
		July 1967	June 1968	July 1968	July 1967	June 1968	July 1968	
Basic Commodities:								
Cotton, per lb.:								
American upland	Ct.:	12.58	43.16	44.53	44.66	9/48	47	45
Extra long staple	" :	4/21.1	74.9	74.7	74.9	-	-	-
Wheat, per bu.	Dol.:	.744	2.62	2.63	2.64	52	47	45
Rice, per cwt.	" :	1.95	6.87	6.90	6.92	-	-	-
Corn, per bu.	" :	.464	1.63	1.64	1.65	74	65	63
Peanuts, per lb.	Ct.:	4/ 4.36	15.1	15.4	15.5	-	-	-
Tobacco, per lb. :								
Flue-cured, types 11-14	" :	4/24.5	84.9	86.7	87.0	78	-	-
Maryland, type 32	" :	5/22.8	80.4	80.7	80.9	81	77	-
Designated Nonbasic Commodities:								
Milkfat, in cream, per lb.	" :	24.7	85.6	87.4	87.7	77	76	76
All milk, whole, per cwt.	Dol.:	1.73	5.97	6.12	6.14	6/9/85	6/9/89	6/87
Wool and Mohair:								
Wool, per lb.	Ct.:	25.1	87.3	88.9	89.1	7/9/47	7/47	7/46
Mohair, per lb.	" :	33.0	117.0	117.0	117.0	-	-	-
Other Nonbasic Commodities:								
Barley, per bu.	Dol.:	.381	1.32	1.35	1.35	80	10/73	69
Beans, dry edible, per cwt.	" :	2.94	10.20	10.40	10.40	83	91	99
Cottonseed, per ton	" :	4/19.60	68.30	69.40	69.60	86	-	-
Flaxseed, per bu.	" :	1.14	4.00	4.04	4.05	74	74	72
Oats, per bu.	" :	.252	.883	.892	.895	76	78	68
Potatoes, per cwt.	" :	4/.816	2.87	2.89	2.90	89	94	105
Rye, per bu.	" :	.398	1.40	1.41	1.41	78	87	72
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" :	.744	2.58	2.63	2.64	9/81	68	66
Soybeans, per bu.	" :	.960	3.31	3.40	3.41	80	75	74
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" :	1.96	6.73	6.94	6.96	92	167	109
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 8/	Ct.:	2.25	7.73	7.96	7.99	9/85	144	82
Citrus, (equiv. on-tree), per box:								
Grapefruit	Dol.:	4/.504	1.72	1.78	1.79	52	105	127
Lemons	" :	3/.760	2.53	2.69	2.70	94	107	111
Limes	" :	4/1.34	4.38	4.74	4.76	25	42	85
Oranges	" :	3/1.00	3.52	3.54	3.55	30	69	69
Tangerines	" :	4/.936	3.10	3.31	3.32	-	-	-
Beef cattle, per cwt.	" :	8.36	28.60	29.60	29.70	81	80	81
Calves, per cwt.	" :	9.72	32.90	34.40	34.50	9/83	82	81
All chickens, live, per lb.	Ct.:	5.88	21.5	20.8	20.9	9/64	69	71
Eggs, per doz.	" :	13.9	49.3	49.2	49.3	6/65	6/70	6/71
Hogs, per cwt.	Dol.:	7.00	24.40	24.80	24.80	88	78	84
Lambs, per cwt.	" :	8.12	28.00	28.70	28.80	84	88	86
Sheep, per cwt.	" :	2.47	8.62	8.74	8.77	9/72	77	72
Turkeys, live, per lb.	Ct.:	8.96	32.1	31.7	31.8	64	62	62

See footnotes on page 6.

FOOTNOTES

- 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 1958-December 1967 average (including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations) by dividing by 250 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/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 season average prices 1958-67 (including an allowance, where appropriate, for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations).
- 5/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 weighted calendar year prices 1958-67.
- 6/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price.
- 7/ Average local market price, excluding incentive payment.
- 8/ Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and price as sold for other States.
- 9/ Revised.
- 10/ Correction.

NOTE: See pages 5-9, Supplement No. 1 to the July issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES, for parity prices for all commodities.

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Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Index numbers of Prices Received by Farmers, United States, July 15, 1968
with comparisons

Index	1957-59			1910-14=100			1968	
	=100	Average		1967				
	July 1968	Jan. 1957 to Dec. '59	May 15	June 15	July 15	May 15	June 15	July 15
UNADJUSTED								
All Farm Products	108	242	252	255	256	260	259	260
All Crops	99	223	222	228	221	235	229	221
Food grains	71	212	188	179	167	167	156	150
Feed grains and hay	99	159	183	184	179	166	163	157
Feed grains	97	161	184	185	180	165	163	156
Cotton	65	261	167	172	177	179	176	170
Tobacco	116	485	559	558	557	563	563	563
Oil-bearing crops	117	229	284	286	279	271	269	267
Fruit	120	222	195	206	190	303	302	266
Fresh market 1/	119	229	190	203	191	328	327	273
Commercial vegetables	122	235	287	329	307	333	292	288
Fresh market	125	260	332	394	359	394	328	325
Potatoes, etc. 2/	171	163	193	202	231	245	265	278
Livestock & Products	114	258	279	279	285	281	285	294
Meat animals	118	308	351	355	358	348	354	364
Dairy products	120	257	290	285	292	305	300	307
Poultry & eggs	90	158	126	123	132	124	134	142
Wool	93	246	225	237	233	231	234	230
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
Fresh market fruit 1/	120	229	187	200	196	320	312	274
Fresh market vegetables	134	264	325	411	389	382	334	354
Potatoes, etc. 2/	153	163	174	176	207	222	233	249
Dairy products	125	257	314	313	308	331	329	321
Poultry & eggs	93	159	135	131	137	133	144	147

1/ Fresh market for noncitrus and fresh market and processing for citrus. 2/ Includes sweet-potatoes and dry edible beans.

Commercial Vegetables for Fresh Market: Average f.o.b. shipping point prices per cwt.
United States, July 1-15, 1968, with comparisons

Commodity	Average	July	July	June	June	July
	Jan. 1957 to Dec. 1959	1-15, 1967	1-31, 1967 1/2	1-15, 1968	1-30, 1968	1-15, 1968
D O L L A R S						
Asparagus	16.30	19.30	18.50	19.50	19.60	19.80
Broccoli	8.48	11.60	11.70	11.00	11.20	12.10
Cabbage	2.30	2.95	2.84	2.47	2.57	3.23
Cantaloupes	4.97	7.30	7.11	7.46	7.11	5.58
Carrots	3.78	5.30	5.70	1/4.90	4.91	5.20
Cauliflower	6.90	10.70	10.80	10.50	10.30	10.30
Celery	3.90	6.40	5.87	7.40	7.43	4.66
Cucumbers	6.37	7.10	5.49	5.33	5.09	6.84
Green peppers	12.00	14.10	10.70	13.10	11.00	9.15
Lettuce	3.93	5.70	5.30	3.75	4.00	5.02
Onions	3.11	4.10	3.92	3.47	3.49	4.44
Snap beans	10.30	13.70	11.90	1/9.18	9.52	12.80
Spinach	6.20	11.80	11.70	7.46	8.56	10.60
Sweet corn	4.74	6.70	6.02	6.32	6.27	5.75
Tomatoes	8.48	19.50	13.80	12.30	11.70	10.90
Watermelons	2.00	1.75	2.04	2.21	1.79	1.76

1/ Revised.

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Index numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates,
and related data, United States, July 1968, with comparisons

Indexes and ratios	1957-59=100			1910-14=100					
	July 1967	June 1968	July 1968	May 1967	June 1967	July 1967	May 1968	June 1968	July 1968
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS									
Commodities & Services,									
Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates	117	121	121	341	342	344	354	354	355
Prices Paid	111	114	114	301	302	1/303	310	311	311
Family living items	113	117	118	320	321	1/324	335	335	336
Food and tobacco	---	120	---	---	321	---	---	332	---
Clothing	---	129	---	---	393	---	---	417	---
Household operation	---	115	---	---	233	---	---	237	---
Household furnishings	---	102	---	---	261	---	---	271	---
Building materials, house ...	---	113	---	---	432	---	---	461	---
Autos and auto supplies	---	114	---	345	347	---	364	368	---
Production items	110	112	112	287	288	1/289	293	293	293
Feed	106	102	101	214	214	1/212	205	203	202
Feeder livestock	108	110	111	378	377	387	396	394	397
Motor supplies	---	107	---	---	182	---	---	184	---
Motor vehicles 2/	---	129	---	497	498	---	528	529	---
Farm machinery	---	1/136	---	---	463	---	---	485	---
Building & fencing materials	---	111	---	---	405	---	---	428	---
Fertilizer	---	98	---	---	3/154	---	---	3/150	---
Farm supplies	---	106	---	---	275	---	---	278	---
Seed	---	3/119	---	234	234	---	---	3/250	---
Interest 4/	253	273	273	463	463	1/463	500	500	500
Taxes 5/	181	193	193	896	896	1/896	956	956	956
Wage Rates 6/	148	157	159	849	849	859	912	912	922
PARITY RATIO 7/	---	---	---	74	75	74	73	73	73
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (Prelim.)	---	---	---	79	80	80	79	79	79
Production Items, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	120	1/123	124	357	358	1/358	368	1/368	369
Prices Received by Farmers	106	107	108	104	105	106	108	107	108
Wholesale prices: 8/									
All commodities	106	109	---	106	106	106	108	109	---
Industrial commodities	106	109	---	106	106	106	109	109	---
Prices Paid by Farmers,									
Interest, Taxes, & Wage Rates	117	121	121	116	117	117	121	121	121
Consumers' prices(CPI) 8/	116	---	---	116	116	116	120	---	---
Average hourly earnings, mfg. production workers 9/	133	142	---	133	133	133	141	142	---

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes autos, trucks, and tractors. 3/ Estimated unchanged since Apr. 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/ Bureau of Labor Statistics' indexes for month indicated. 9/ Based on earnings per hour as estimated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, July 15, 1968

State and division	Wheat per bu.	Rye per bu.	Rice per owt.	Corn per bu.	Oats per bu.	Barley per bu.	Sorghum grain per owt.	Soybeans per bu.
D O L L A R S								
Maine					.85			
N. Eng.					.85			
N. Y.	1.10	.91		1.13	.72	.85		2.35
N. J.	1.17	1.05		1.18	.78	.85		2.42
Pa.	1.11	.95		1.16	.78	.78		2.40
M. Atl.	1.11	.98		1.15	.76	.75		2.40
Ohio	1.15	.98		1.00	.58	.85		2.51
Ind.	1.12	1.02		1.00	.63	.64	1.70	2.49
Ill.	1.21	.97		1.03	.60	.82	1.75	2.58
Mich.	1.09	.88		.95	.59	.79		2.48
Wis.	1.14	1.05		1.10	.66	1.00		2.48
E. N. Cent.	1.15	.99		1.02	.60	.91	1.73	2.55
Minn.	1.39	.94		1.02	.58	.50		2.49
Iowa	1.23	.96		1.02	.63	.83	1.66	2.51
Mo.	1.17	1.00		1.13	.69	.93	1.78	2.54
N. Dak.	1.45	.83		1.02	.52	.81		2.40
S. Dak.	1.31	.89		1.10	.56	.86	1.72	2.48
Nebr.	1.14	.91		1.10	.66	.90	1.61	2.50
Kans.	1.20	.93		1.14	.72	.91	1.76	2.47
W. N. Cent.	1.20	.90		1.04	.58	1.85	1.69	2.50
Del.	1.05	1.18		1.09	.70	.76		2.45
Md.	1.07	1.16		1.08	.70	.75		2.42
Va.	1.15	1.35		1.18	.73	.67	1.90	2.58
W. Va.	1.25			1.28	.80	.86		
N. C.	1.17	1.30		1.15	.67	.85	1.90	2.58
S. C.	1.20	1.60		1.24	.75	.90	1.95	2.57
Ga.	1.20	1.80		1.22	.77	.95	1.90	2.50
Fla.	1.21			1.25	.80			2.45
S. Atl.	1.12	1.49		1.18	.76	.82	1.80	2.55
Ky.	1.19	1.19		1.19	.72	.92	1.85	2.54
Tenn.	1.22	1.32		1.24	.81	.99	1.90	2.51
Ala.	1.17			1.25	.77		1.85	2.53
Miss.	1.15		5.50	1.30	.72		1.80	2.55
E. S. Cent.	1.19	1.24	5.50	1.21	.76	.94	1.87	2.55
Ark.	1.14		5.30	1.28	.74	1.00	1.95	2.54
La.	1.15		5.40	1.33	.73		1.85	2.55
Okla.	1.22	1.00		1.24	.73	.86	1.80	2.44
Tex.	1.26	1.05	5.30	1.29	.71	.88	1.74	2.35
W. S. Cent.	1.24	1.02	5.33	1.29	.73	.87	1.74	2.53
Mont.	1.22	.78		1.25	.64	.82		
Idaho	1.19	1.10		1.27	.72	.90		
Wyo.	1.03	.99		1.14	.68	.99		
Colo.	1.10	.90		1.18	.78	.91	1.80	
N. Mex.	1.22			1.40		.97	1.78	
Ariz.	1.29			1.45		1.10	2.07	
Utah	1.30				.80	1.04		
Nev.								
Mount.	1.17	.94		1.19	.75	.91	1.81	
Wash.	1.33	1.11		1.35	.82	.96		
Oreg.	1.33	1.10		1.44	.81	1.02		
Calif.	1.29			1.43	.82	1.06	2.30	
Pa.	1.32	1.11		1.43	.81	1.05	2.30	
U. S.	1.19	1.02	2/5.33	1.04	.60	3/7.93	1.74	2.52

1/ June 15, 1968 price corrected to \$.899. 2/ Average for Mo., Miss., Ark., La., and Texas.
 3/ June 15, 1968 price corrected to \$.983.

State	Winter wheat July 15, 1968	Spring wheat other than Durum July 15, 1968
Dollars per bushel		
Minn.	1.23	1.36
N. Dak.	1.15	1.36
S. Dak.	1.18	1.36
Mont.	1.15	1.35
Idaho	1.20	1.14
Colo.	1.10	1.09

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State and division	American Cotton		Pea nuts	Flax seed	Beans, dry edible	Tobacco	Apples, fresh use 2/3	Sweet potatoes	Wool
	upland cotton per lb.	Cotton seed per ton 1/							
	Ct.	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Dol.	Ct.
Maine									44
N. H.									41
Vt.									41
Mass.									42
R. I.									42
Conn.									42
N. Eng.									42.5
N. Y.					9.80		8.00		40
N. J.							7.80	12.00	
Pa.									44
M. Atl.					9.80		7.89	12.00	42.5
Ohio							9.10		34
Ind.									34
Ill.							5.40		35
Mich.					9.20				35
Wis.									34
E. N. Cent.					9.20		5.99		34.3
Minn.				2.98					34
Iowa				2.96			6.20		34
Mo.									34
N. Dak.					2.86	7.70			35
S. Dak.					2.92				38
Nebr.						7.80			35
Kans.						8.30			34
W. N. Cent.				2.90		7.81	6.20		35.5
Del.							7.00		
Md.							7.00		39
Va.							6.00		
W. Va.							6.00		40
N. C.	20.0						5.00		42
S. C.	24.0								
Ga.	22.0							6.60	
Fla.	22.0								
S. Atl.	22.27						6.25	6.50	40.2
Ky.							6.96		39
Tenn.	20.0						6.20	5.00	40
Ala.	22.0							6.20	
Miss.	20.0							5.20	
E. S. Cent.	20.17						6.83	5.54	39.2
Ark.	19.0								34
La.	21.0							6.90	31
Okla.	19.0								30
Texas	17.5			2.75				5.50	48
W. S. Cent.	18.29			2.75				6.82	47.5
Mont.				2.63		8.60			46
Idaho					5/8.20				42
Wyo.					8.50				41
Colo.					8.70				41
N. Mex.	19.0				8.30				46
Ariz.	22.0								39
Utah									41
Nev.									45
Mount.	20.93			2.63		8.45			42.3
Wash.						9.80			37
Oreg.									39
Calif.	23.0			3.25	14.50		6.50	15.50	38
Pac.	23.00			3.25	14.40		6.50	15.50	38.1
U. S.	20.04			2.93	10.30		6.57	7.55	40.9

1/ Insufficient sales. 2/ Average for the month. 3/ Equivalent p.h.d. returns for Washington and Oregon, equivalent first delivery point returns for California, and price at point of first sale for other States. 4/ Incentive payment not included. 5/ Excludes garden seed.

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State and division	Hogs	Cows 1/	Steers and heifers	Beef cattle 2/	Calves	Sheep	Lambs
D O L L A R S							
Maine	19.40	18.40	23.50	19.10	28.00	7.00	23.80
N. H.	19.20	18.20	22.60	18.60	26.50	7.00	25.00
Vt.	19.80	16.60	20.50	17.10	25.30	7.00	24.80
Mass.	19.30	18.00	21.00	18.40	26.40	6.80	26.80
R. I.	19.60	18.00	21.60	18.30	26.60	6.80	26.80
Conn.	20.00	17.80	22.00	18.20	26.80	6.80	26.80
N. Eng.	19.40	17.60	21.60	18.10	26.30	6.95	25.20
N. Y.	21.40	19.90	23.00	20.40	32.60	7.30	24.00
N. J.	20.80	18.60	25.30	19.70	3/31.30	10.00	25.70
Pa.	21.00	18.40	25.30	21.60	32.60	7.00	24.50
M. Atl.	21.00	19.20	24.80	21.00	32.50	7.28	24.40
Ohio	21.30	17.50	25.00	23.20	32.50	6.80	25.00
Ind.	21.40	17.50	25.10	24.30	29.70	6.80	25.90
Ill.	20.90	17.00	25.00	24.00	27.50	5.70	24.00
Mich.	21.20	17.70	23.80	21.10	27.00	7.20	25.50
Wis.	20.40	18.00	23.20	19.50	32.00	5.40	25.10
E. N. Cent.	21.00	17.60	24.80	23.00	31.40	6.32	24.90
Minn.	20.50	19.00	26.00	23.90	31.70	5.80	26.80
Iowa	21.10	18.90	26.70	26.00	27.10	6.90	25.00
Mo.	21.50	16.80	26.00	24.40	25.10	5.80	25.00
N. Dak.	20.20	18.00	24.70	23.20	29.50	4.60	25.90
S. Dak.	20.30	18.00	26.10	25.00	29.70	5.50	25.60
Nebr.	20.40	18.20	26.50	25.30	28.20	5.60	26.80
Kans.	20.70	17.40	25.30	23.70	25.50	5.60	26.60
W. N. Cent.	20.90	18.10	26.10	24.90	28.00	5.75	25.90
Del.	21.40	17.60	25.00	19.90	31.60	6.50	25.00
Md.	21.40	18.20	25.40	21.30	33.00	6.50	25.00
Va.	20.40	17.00	22.30	19.80	31.00	6.00	24.00
W. Va.	20.40	16.20	22.60	19.70	30.90	5.80	25.00
N. C.	19.70	17.20	21.60	19.20	28.70	5.80	24.80
S. C.	19.40	17.40	23.00	20.10	26.50	---	---
Ga.	19.90	16.90	23.20	20.50	26.90	---	---
Fla.	20.00	18.40	25.30	22.90	27.10	---	---
S. Atl.	19.90	17.50	23.80	21.00	28.40	5.93	24.40
Ky.	20.00	16.70	24.10	22.20	28.50	6.40	24.50
Tenn.	19.70	16.30	23.30	20.90	29.00	6.50	22.20
Ala.	19.40	16.50	24.50	21.80	26.30	---	---
Miss.	20.30	16.50	24.00	20.30	26.00	---	---
E. S. Cent.	19.80	16.50	23.90	21.30	27.30	6.44	23.90
Ark.	19.40	17.10	23.40	21.20	26.40	7.00	22.00
La.	19.10	17.10	25.30	20.60	26.90	7.50	21.00
Okla.	20.80	17.70	25.50	23.90	28.00	6.50	25.30
Tex.	20.00	17.20	26.00	22.50	27.30	8.00	22.00
W. S. Cent.	20.00	17.30	25.70	22.70	27.30	7.95	22.20
Mont.	20.40	19.20	25.50	21.70	30.10	6.00	22.40
Idaho	20.40	18.30	26.00	23.10	29.50	5.60	24.60
Wyo.	20.00	18.60	26.20	23.10	27.90	6.00	25.70
Colo.	20.80	17.50	27.40	27.00	28.70	4.90	26.90
N. Mex.	20.40	17.10	25.40	24.70	28.50	7.00	24.50
Ariz.	21.50	17.50	24.70	24.30	26.00	6.00	24.30
Utah	20.70	17.00	24.80	22.10	28.00	6.40	23.60
Neve.	19.30	16.70	24.50	21.70	26.50	5.00	22.50
Mount.	20.60	18.30	26.50	25.30	28.60	5.82	25.10
Wash.	21.70	17.40	25.80	22.60	28.50	6.30	22.50
Oreg.	21.80	17.40	25.80	22.90	26.60	6.00	23.60
Calif.	21.20	18.10	27.20	26.00	27.20	5.00	24.50
Pac.	21.50	17.80	27.00	25.30	27.20	5.48	24.10
48 States	20.80	17.70	25.90	24.00	28.10	6.29	24.80
Hawaii	24.00	15.70	24.90	22.40	---	---	---
U. S.	20.80	17.70	25.90	24.00	28.10	6.29	24.80

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.
 3/ Correction: The May 15 average price, published in the May 1968 issue of Agricultural Prices should be \$32.50 instead of \$42.50.

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State and division	Milk, wholesale, price per cwt. June 1968				July 1968				
	Eligible for fluid market 1/		Manufacturing grade		All Milk		All milk	Milkfat	Milk
	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	per cwt.	in cream	per lb. cows
	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Pct.	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.
Maine	5.95	3.77	---	---	5.95	3.77	6.25	---	295
N. H.	5.60	3.84	---	---	5.60	3.84	6.10	---	310
Vt.	5.25	3.78	---	---	5.25	3.78	5.75	---	300
Mass.	5.65	3.66	---	---	5.65	3.66	6.20	---	325
R. I.	5.65	3.61	---	---	5.65	3.61	6.20	---	325
Conn.	5.85	3.64	---	---	5.85	3.64	6.40	---	335
N. Eng.	5.53	3.74	---	---	5.53	3.74	5.83	---	310
N. Y.	4.90	3.55	---	---	4.90	3.55	5.70	58	325
N. J.	5.35	3.56	---	---	5.35	3.56	5.85	---	355
Pa.	5.60	3.63	4.15	3.60	5.55	3.63	5.80	54	335
M. Atl.	5.16	3.58	4.15	3.60	5.15	3.58	5.74	55.2	330
Ohio	5.35	3.59	4.12	3.71	5.15	3.61	5.25	49	270
Ind.	5.15	3.57	4.25	3.65	5.00	3.59	5.05	51	280
Ill.	4.90	3.54	3.95	3.50	4.55	3.53	4.65	58	265
Mich.	5.45	3.53	4.20	3.60	5.20	3.54	5.25	64	315
Wis.	4.75	3.62	4.28	3.63	4.47	3.63	4.46	70	310
E. S. Cent.	5.05	3.58	4.24	3.62	4.69	3.60	4.74	59.1	298
Minn.	4.60	3.52	4.18	3.46	4.26	3.47	4.29	73	280
Iowa	4.80	3.48	4.13	3.47	4.26	3.47	4.28	71	275
Mo.	5.05	3.50	4.00	3.70	4.40	3.62	4.45	64	215
N. Dak.	4.55	3.38	3.85	3.40	4.10	3.39	4.10	70	260
S. Dak.	5.00	3.43	4.00	3.39	4.15	3.40	4.15	69	255
Nebr.	4.70	3.42	3.95	3.40	4.25	3.41	4.35	62	245
Kans.	5.45	3.43	4.05	3.59	4.95	3.49	5.00	63	255
W. S. Cent.	4.89	3.48	4.12	3.48	4.31	3.48	4.35	68.8	263
Del.	5.80	3.58	---	---	5.70	3.58	5.75	---	265
Md.	5.85	3.59	---	---	5.80	3.59	5.80	---	265
Va.	6.10	3.56	4.05	3.77	5.60	3.61	5.65	49	210
W. Va.	5.70	3.61	---	---	5.50	3.65	5.65	48	185
N. C.	6.25	3.63	4.20	4.08	6.10	3.67	6.20	---	180
S. C.	6.80	3.80	---	---	6.65	3.80	6.70	---	185
Ga.	6.20	3.70	---	---	6.20	3.70	6.15	---	210
Fla.	6.60	3.62	---	---	6.60	3.62	6.75	---	225
S. Atl.	6.20	3.63	3/4.12	3/3.83	6.04	3.64	6.09	48.8	213
Ky.	5.10	3.55	3.95	3.70	4.50	3.63	4.55	50	220
Tenn.	5.85	3.61	4.05	3.95	5.00	3.77	5.00	---	195
Ala.	6.85	3.74	3.90	3.94	6.70	3.75	6.75	---	190
Miss.	5.95	3.73	4.05	3.89	5.60	3.76	5.65	---	190
E. S. Cent.	5.77	3.63	4.00	3.82	5.06	3.71	5.10	50.0	202
Ark.	6.30	3.48	3.95	3.76	5.30	3.60	5.30	---	185
La.	6.45	3.74	---	---	6.45	3.74	6.50	---	210
Okla.	5.40	3.44	3.90	3.68	5.25	3.47	5.30	55	220
Tex.	6.00	3.50	---	---	6.00	3.50	6.10	51	240
W. S. Cent.	5.97	3.53	3.93	3.73	5.82	3.54	5.90	54.8	222
Mont.	5.20	3.46	3.30	3.55	4.90	3.47	4.95	64	265
Idaho	4.75	3.58	4.05	3.49	4.20	3.51	4.15	62	275
Wyo.	5.50	3.37	---	---	4.85	3.40	4.85	62	260
Colo.	5.70	3.44	3.60	3.57	5.65	3.44	5.65	60	240
N. Mex.	5.60	3.37	---	---	5.60	3.37	5.60	---	240
Ariz.	6.00	3.39	---	---	6.00	3.39	6.10	---	260
Utah	5.15	3.48	3.75	3.40	4.70	3.45	4.75	58	270
Nev.	5.35	3.40	---	---	5.35	3.40	5.50	59	260
Mount.	5.47	3.45	3/3.97	3/3.48	4.92	3.46	4.95	62.4	261
Wash.	5.30	3.68	3.80	4.00	5.30	3.68	5.35	67	270
Oreg.	5.40	3.85	4.40	4.20	5.10	3.96	5.15	69	260
Calif. 4/	4.85	3.45	4.00	3.62	4.75	3.47	4.80	69	335
Pac.	4.97	3.52	4.08	3.75	4.87	3.55	4.92	68.2	315
48 States	5.29	3.57	3/4.15	3/3.57	4.89	3.57	5.05	67.0	276
Hawaii	9.05	3.33	---	---	9.05	3.33	9.00	---	---
U. S.	5.30	3.57	3/4.15	3/3.57	4.90	3.57	5.06	67.0	276

1/ Including surplus diverted to manufacturing. 2/ Average for the month. Preliminary.
 3/ Includes data for some States not shown separately. 4/ Milk priced f.o.b. ranch.

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State and division	Turkeys per lb.	Chickens excluding broilers per lb.	Broilers per lb.	All Chickens per lb.	Eggs per doz.	Seed, per cwt.				
						Alfalfa	Red Clover	Sweet clover	Timothy	Lespedeza
	CENTS					DOLLARS				
Maine		10.0	4/18.0	17.4	44.0					
N. H.	30.0	9.5	18.0	13.9	46.0					
Vt.		9.5	18.5	10.2	44.0					
Mass.		9.5	17.5	15.0	48.0					
R. I.		9.5	17.5	13.9	51.0					
Conn.	33.0	9.5	17.5	15.2	51.0					
N. Eng.	31.7	9.7	17.9	16.7	47.0					
N. Y.	29.0	9.0	23.0	13.7	38.0					
N. J.	28.0	7.5	23.0	13.2	38.0					
Pa.	24.0	11.0	17.0	15.4	36.0					
M. Atl.	26.3	10.1	17.8	15.0	37.1					
Ohio	20.0	9.0	16.0	13.0	30.0					
Ind.	19.0	6.5	16.0	13.1	30.2					
Ill.	20.0	6.5	15.5	7.3	27.0					
Mich.	19.0	8.0	18.0	9.5	31.0		21.50			
Wis.	20.0	6.5	17.0	15.4	29.0					
E. N. Cent.	19.6	7.4	16.4	12.8	29.5		21.50			
Minn.	20.0	4.5		10.9	26.0					
Iowa	18.0	4.5		9.0	23.0					
Mo.	18.0	6.5	15.5	13.2	22.5					
N. Dak.		4.0		4.0	22.0			6.00		
S. Dak.		4.0		4.0	20.4					
Nebr.	18.0	4.0	16.0	6.6	20.5	32.00		6.00		
Kans.	19.0	5.0	16.0	6.9	21.4	31.50		5.00		
W. N. Cent.	18.8	4.8	5/16.2	10.8	22.8	31.70		5.38		
Del.	21.0	10.5	17.5	17.5	48.4					
Md.	21.0	8.5	17.5	17.5	40.0					
Va.	21.0	11.5	16.0	15.6	40.4					
W. Va.	19.0	11.0	16.0	15.8	38.0					
N. C.	21.0	11.0	15.5	15.3	39.0					
S. C.	20.0	10.0	15.0	14.1	37.5					
Ga.	21.0	3.5	4/14.5	14.2	42.0					
Fla.	21.0	7.0	14.0	12.2	29.0					
S. Atl.	20.7	9.3	15.6	15.3	38.5					
Ky.		10.0	15.5	15.1	31.0					
Tenn.		9.5	4/16.5	16.3	35.0					
Ala.	20.0	8.5	4/14.5	14.4	39.0					
Miss.	21.0	8.0	4/14.5	14.2	40.0					
E. S. Cent.	20.0	8.4	4/14.7	14.5	37.9					
Ark.	21.0	10.5	4/15.0	14.9	35.0					
La.		8.0	14.5	14.3	40.0					
Okla.	18.0	8.0	14.5	13.5	29.5	29.60				
Texas	18.0	8.0	15.5	15.1	35.0					
W. S. Cent.	19.2	8.8	15.1	14.9	35.1	29.60				
Mont.		10.5		10.5	32.0					
Idaho		6.5	17.0	16.0	31.0					
Wyo.		10.0		10.0	36.0					
Colo.	20.0	10.5	18.0	12.5	29.5					
N. Mex.		10.0		10.0	40.0					
Ariz.		4.0		7.7	25.0					
Utah	19.0	4.0	17.0	14.4	30.0					
Nev.		5.5		5.5	30.0					
Mount.	19.5	7.5	5/17.0	13.9	30.7					
Wash.	21.0	5.0	18.5	16.0	27.5					
Oreg.	19.0	5.5	18.0	16.7	32.5	38.50	29.50			
Calif.	20.0	6.0	17.0	13.8	25.7					
Pac.	19.9	5.8	17.5	14.6	26.3	38.50	29.50			
48 States	19.7	8.0	5/15.5	14.9	32.6	35.20	24.90	5.38		
Hawaii		11.0	33.0	27.9	37.5					
U. S.	19.7	8.0	5/15.5	14.9	32.7	35.20	24.90	5.38		

1/ Average for the month. 2/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail by farmers. 3/ Insufficient sales. 4/ Liveweight equivalent price. 5/ Includes data for some States not shown separately.

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Average prices per ton received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, July 15, 1968

State and division	Hay, baled					
	All 1/	Alfalfa	Clover-timothy	Lespedeza	Peanut-vine	Wild
D O L L A R S						
Maine	24.80	33.00	24.50	---	---	---
N. H.	26.80	32.50	26.00	---	---	---
Vt.	22.80	27.50	21.50	---	---	---
Mass.	33.40	40.00	31.50	---	---	---
R. I.	34.10	40.00	32.50	---	---	---
Conn.	34.10	40.50	32.00	---	---	---
N. Eng.	26.20	31.70	24.90	---	---	---
N. Y.	21.70	23.00	21.00	---	---	---
N.J.	29.00	31.00	27.00	---	---	---
Pa.	24.50	28.00	22.00	---	---	---
M. Atl.	23.10	25.10	21.50	---	---	---
Ohio	23.70	25.50	22.50	---	---	---
Ind.	23.40	24.50	21.50	---	---	---
Ill.	21.30	22.50	19.50	---	---	---
Mich.	22.50	23.00	20.50	---	---	---
Wis.	17.50	18.00	17.00	---	---	---
E. N. Cent.	20.30	20.60	20.20	---	---	---
Minn.	19.00	19.50	17.00	---	---	15.50
Iowa	18.60	19.50	16.50	---	---	---
Mo.	20.00	22.00	19.00	19.00	---	---
N. Dak.	15.50	17.50	---	---	---	13.00
S. Dak.	17.90	19.00	---	---	---	16.00
Nebr.	19.60	19.50	---	---	---	20.00
Kans.	19.10	20.50	18.00	19.00	---	16.00
W. N. Cent.	18.70	19.60	17.80	19.00	---	16.30
Del.	31.90	36.00	31.00	---	---	---
Md.	30.30	34.00	28.00	---	---	---
Va.	31.20	37.50	32.50	32.00	26.50	---
W. Va.	28.00	34.50	27.00	---	---	---
N. C.	30.10	36.00	30.00	31.00	23.00	---
S. C.	31.00	---	---	32.50	---	---
Ga.	27.50	31.00	---	29.00	24.00	---
Fla.	33.40	---	---	---	26.00	---
S. Atl.	30.00	35.40	29.90	31.10	24.20	---
Ky.	24.80	28.00	24.00	21.00	---	---
Tenn.	26.50	31.50	27.50	24.50	---	---
Ala.	25.40	34.50	28.50	29.00	22.50	---
Miss.	23.50	27.00	25.00	26.50	---	---
E. S. Cent.	25.20	28.70	25.40	23.40	22.50	---
Ark.	22.40	27.00	23.00	24.00	---	---
La.	20.80	26.00	---	23.50	---	---
Okla.	18.90	23.50	---	18.00	18.00	16.00
Texas	22.50	29.50	---	---	22.50	---
W. S. Cent.	21.20	25.20	23.00	22.30	20.50	16.00
Mont.	19.90	20.00	21.00	---	---	19.50
Idaho	18.00	18.00	18.00	---	---	15.50
Wyo.	18.00	17.50	16.50	---	---	20.50
Colo.	27.00	26.00	32.00	---	---	28.00
N. Mex.	23.50	23.50	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	23.80	24.00	---	---	---	---
Utah	20.90	21.00	21.50	---	---	17.50
Nev.	22.50	23.50	21.50	---	---	20.00
Mount.	21.30	21.20	22.70	---	---	21.20
Wash.	23.50	24.50	22.00	---	---	19.00
Oreg.	23.50	24.50	22.00	---	---	18.00
Calif.	25.00	26.00	---	---	---	18.00
Pac.	24.40	25.50	22.00	---	---	18.10
U. S.	21.40	21.70	22.00	23.30	22.70	17.30

1/ The all hay price is the weighted average of separate kinds, including an allowance for kinds not shown. 2/ June 15, price corrected to \$23.50

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Potatoes: Average prices per cwt. received by farmers, by States, July 1968

State	Dollars	State	Dollars
Maine	1.95	North Carolina	2.61
Massachusetts	3.60	Florida	---
Rhode Island	3.60	Alabama	3.30
Connecticut	---	Texas	3.75
New York-All	---	Montana	---
Long Island	---	Idaho	---
Upstate	---	Wyoming	---
New Jersey	2.45	Colorado	---
Pennsylvania	3.50	New Mexico	---
Ohio	3.50	Arizona	3.10
Indiana	3.35	Utah	---
Michigan	3.30	Washington	3.15
Wisconsin	3.50	Oregon	3.00
Minnesota	---	California-All	3.02
North Dakota	---	Winter 1968	---
South Dakota	---	Late Spring	3.00
Nebraska	---	Early Summer	3.05
Delaware	2.70	Late Summer	3.00
Maryland	2.70	Fall 1967	---
Virginia	3.02		
		United States	3.04

Average prices per pound received by growers for peanuts and tobacco, by areas and types, July, 1967 and 1968

Area	Peanuts		Tobacco			
	July 1967	July 1968	Class	Type	July 1967	July 1968
Virginia-Carolina Southeast	INSUFFICIENT SALES		Flue-cured			
Southwest			U.S. Fla. Belt	14	66.3	---
			Southern Md.	32	64.9	---
United States			United States		66.3	---

Parity price equivalent for manufacturing milk 1/ United States July 1968, with comparisons

	July 1967	June 1968	July 1968
Parity equivalent Dol. per cwt.	4.69	4.83	4.85
Average price - f.o.b. plants Dol. per cwt.	3.54	4.15	2/4.14
Average fat test of milk Percent	3.59	3.57	2/3.58

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 1968 is 79.0 percent of the parity price of all milk sold wholesale, which compares with 78.6 percent in 1967. For additional details see Supplement No. 1 to the January 1968 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES.
 2/ Preliminary.

Note: In July 1968 the U.S. average price received by farmers for milk used for American cheese, evaporated milk, and butter and by-products is estimated at \$4.14 per cwt. for milk with an average fat content of 3.63 percent. These averages are a continuation of the "3-product" series previously reported and are estimated for use in Federal milk orders in which this series is used.

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Citrus fruit: Average prices and equivalent returns per box received by growers, by utilization, July 1968

Commodity and States	F.O.B. ; packed ;		Equivalent returns per box 1/				
	fresh	All	Packinghouse door	Fresh	Processed	All	On-tree
	D O L L A R S						
ORANGES:							
Florida	6.30	2.72	3.81	2.65	2.08	3.19	2.01
Temple	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other Early and Mids.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	6.30	2.72	3.81	2.65	2.08	3.19	2.01
Texas	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	8.30	4.55	6.04	1.20	3.65	5.14	.30
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	8.30	4.55	6.04	1.20	3.65	5.14	.30
California-Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	8.06	3.15	5.56	2.52	2.45	4.72	1.85
GRAPEFRUIT:							
Florida	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
White Seedless	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pink Seedless	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other than Seedless	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Texas	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arizona	5.60	2.61	4.15	.95	2.16	3.70	.50
California	6.10	3.24	4.52	.56	2.62	3.90	-.06
Desert Valleys	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Other Areas	6.10	3.24	4.52	.56	2.62	3.90	-.06
California-Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Desert Valleys	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	5.76	2.78	4.27	.87	2.28	3.77	.39
LEMONS:							
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	8.00	4.20	5.66	1.52	3.00	4.46	.32
U. S.	8.00	4.20	5.66	1.52	3.00	4.46	.32
LIMES: Florida							
	9.70	5.64	7.20	1.75	4.04	5.60	.15
TANGELOS: Florida							
	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
TANGERINES:							
Florida	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

1/ Approximate net contents per box are as follows: Oranges - California and Arizona, 75 lbs.; Florida and other States, 90 lbs.; Tangerines - Florida, 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.; Limes - 80 lbs.; Tangelos - 90 lbs.

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Local market commodity-feed price ratios and dairy ration values, United States,
July 15, 1968 with comparisons 1/

Commodity-Feed Price Ratio	Average		July	June	July
	1963-67	1965-67	15,	15,	15,
	months	July	1967	1968	1968
Hog-corn: Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 lbs. of hog, liveweight					
United States	2/15.8	3/16.1	17.8	18.0	20.0
North Central States	2/16.2	3/16.3	17.9	18.3	20.4
Egg-feed: Pounds of laying feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs	8.1	7.5	7.0	7.6	8.2
Broiler-feed: Pounds of broiler grower equal in value to 1 lb. broiler, liveweight 4/	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.4	3.5
Turkey-feed: Pounds of turkey grower equal in value to 1 lb. turkey, liveweight	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5
Milk-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. whole milk 4/	1.45	1.37	1.48	1.57	5/1.64
Milkfat-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. milkfat in cream 4/	24.1	23.8	24.0	25.0	5/25.7
Value of concentrate ration fed milk cows 4/					
In milk selling areas, dollars per cwt.	3.10	3.11	3.24	3.12	5/3.09
In cream selling areas, dollars per cwt.	2.62	2.65	2.75	2.67	5/2.61
In milk and cream areas, dollars per cwt.	3.08	3.09	3.23	3.12	5/3.08

- 1/ Long-time average comparisons published in Supplement No. 1 to the May 1968 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES.
 2/ 1958-67 120-month average.
 3/ 1958-67 average.
 4/ Milk and broiler prices and values of dairy concentrate ration are monthly averages.
 5/ Preliminary.

Dairy product-feed price ratios and ration values, by regions
July 1968 with comparisons

Region	Milk-feed ratio 1/			Milkfat-feed ratio 1/			Ration value 2/		
	July	June	July	July	June	July	July	June	July
	1967	1968	1968 3/	1967	1968	1968 3/	1967	1968	1968 3/
N. Atl.	1.44	1.44	1.62	—	—	—	3.74	3.63	3.59
E. N. Cent.	1.48	1.60	1.64	19.4	20.0	20.4	3.04	2.94	2.89
W. N. Cent.	1.53	1.67	1.73	25.3	26.5	27.3	2.68	2.58	2.52
S. Atl.	1.64	1.75	1.77	—	—	—	3.62	3.45	3.45
S. Cent.	1.53	1.65	1.67	16.3	16.8	16.5	3.39	3.27	3.27
West.	1.41	1.49	1.51	19.2	19.8	19.6	3.35	3.26	3.27

- 1/ Pounds of concentrate ration equal in value to 1 pound whole milk or milkfat in cream, respectively.
 2/ Value per 100 pounds of concentrate rations fed to milk cows.
 3/ Preliminary.

Support Price Announcements for Agricultural Products
June 28 - July 26, 1968

Sorghum Grain - 1968 Crop: The national average loan rate for 1968 - crop sorghum grain will be \$1.62 per hundredweight instead of \$1.61 as announced last October (USDA 3424 -67). The revision was due to adjustments in certain county loan rates to reduce sharp price differences between adjoining counties.

USDA 2379 - 68, issued 7/24/68

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Feed: Average prices paid by farmers,
United States, July 15, 1968, with comparisons

Commodity and unit	1967			1968			
	Average: 1963-65	May	June	July	May	June	July
	:15	:15	:15	:15	:15	:15	:15
--- Dollars ---							
Alfalfa hay, baled, per ton	32.8	34.8	32.7	32.6	32.9	31.9	31.8
Other hay, baled, per ton	32.0	33.1	31.1	31.2	31.4	30.3	30.2
Cottonseed meal, 41 pct., 100 lb.	4.53	5.33	5.35	5.34	5.26	5.28	5.31
Soybean meal, 44 pct., 100 lb.	4.91	5.26	5.31	5.38	5.23	5.28	5.41
Tankage, per 100 lb.	5.94	---	---	6.33	---	---	6.38
Bran, per 100 lb.	3.15	3.59	3.59	3.57	3.48	3.48	3.43
Middlings, per 100 lb.	3.23	3.66	3.67	3.68	3.57	3.57	3.50
Corn meal, per 100 lb.	3.25	3.51	3.50	3.49	3.20	3.19	3.18
Laying feed "complete feed" per ton 1/	84	86	87	2/86	80	80	80
Broiler grower feed, per ton	91	93	94	94	89	88	89
Turkey grower, "complete feed", per ton 1/	89	90	92	2/90	87	87	87
Chick starter feed, per ton	95	97	98	97	93	93	94
Dairy feed							
14 pct. protein, per ton	68	70	69	69	67	67	67
16 pct. protein, per ton	72	75	75	74	72	71	71
18 pct. protein, per ton	72	77	77	76	75	75	74
20 pct. protein, per ton	78	82	82	82	78	77	76
32 pct. protein, per ton	---	---	---	---	98	99	98
40 pct. and over, per ton	---	---	---	---	108	108	108
Hog feed, 14-18 pct., 100 lb.	4.23	4.54	4.58	4.59	4.41	4.41	4.38
Hog feed, over 29 pct., 100 lb.	5.85	6.22	6.30	6.36	6.21	6.29	6.39
Cattle feed, 30% and over, 100 lb.	4.59	4.86	4.90	4.93	4.76	4.77	4.72
Stock salt, per 100 lb.	1.65	---	---	1.71	---	---	1.74

INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)

Feed, prices paid by farmers 1/ Beginning January 1968 "Complete" ration feed specified which is fed without further mixing or supplementation. No specification as to "completeness" made prior to January 1968 and quotations usually reflected the higher prices of higher protein feeds requiring supplementation. 2/ Revised.

	1967	1968
	May	June
	:15	:15
Feed, prices paid by farmers	206	203
1/ Beginning January 1968 "Complete" ration feed specified which is fed without further mixing or supplementation. No specification as to "completeness" made prior to January 1968 and quotations usually reflected the higher prices of higher protein feeds requiring supplementation. 2/ Revised.	214	202

Livestock: Average prices paid by farmers
United States, July 15, 1968, with comparisons

Commodity and unit	1967			1968			
	Average: 1957-59	May	June	July	May	June	July
	:15	:15	:15	:15	:15	:15	:15
Feeder and stockers:							
Cattle and calves, 100 lb.Dol.	23.1	24.7	24.9	26.0	26.1	26.0	26.6
Lambs, per 100 lb. "	20.7	22.8	22.6	21.5	25.2	26.8	24.0
Pigs, per 100 lb. 1/ "	18.5	34.0	33.3	34.2	33.4	30.7	30.0
Baby Chicks, per 100 "	13.0	12.3	11.5	10.9	12.3	11.9	11.5
Started pullets, each "	---	1.68	1.68	1.66	1.67	1.66	1.66
Turkey poults, each Ct.	59.0	58.6	58.7	2/57.4	57.7	57.3	55.8
INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)							
All livestock	327	378	377	387	396	394	397

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. 2/ Revised.

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Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Feed: Average price per 100 pounds paid by farmers,
by States and geographic divisions, July 15, 1968

State and division	Bran	Middlings	Cottonseed meal, 41% protein	Soybean meal, 44% protein	Corn Meal
D O L L A R S					
Maine	3.70	3.80	5.80	5.70	3.80
N. H.	3.45	3.65	5.80	5.70	3.50
Vt.	3.55	3.65	5.80	5.80	3.75
Mass.	3.55	3.60	5.80	5.70	3.60
R. I.	3.60	3.65	5.80	5.70	3.65
Conn.	3.65	3.70	5.80	5.70	3.70
N. Eng.	3.60	3.64	5.80	5.74	3.66
N. Y.	3.25	3.40	5.80	5.60	3.30
N. J.	3.85	3.90	6.20	5.90	3.60
Pa.	3.35	3.50	5.80	5.50	3.25
M. Atl.	3.36	3.43	5.81	5.56	3.31
Ohio	3.65	3.75	6.00	5.70	2.65
Ind.	3.65	3.70	5.90	5.60	2.45
Ill.	3.65	3.70	5.70	5.40	2.80
Mich.	3.75	3.80	5.90	5.60	2.65
Wis.	3.30	3.40	5.80	5.30	2.70
E. N. Cent.	3.49	3.66	5.88	5.49	2.67
Minn.	3.30	3.25	5.60	5.30	2.55
Iowa	3.50	3.55	5.70	5.30	2.35
Mo.	3.00	3.05	5.20	5.10	2.75
N. Dak.	3.10	3.10	5.50	5.40	2.50
S. Dak.	3.60	3.60	5.50	5.30	2.45
Nebr.	3.30	3.30	5.50	5.20	2.60
Kans.	2.85	2.85	5.00	4.95	2.75
W. N. Cent.	3.15	3.30	5.35	5.25	2.55
Del.	3.65	3.70	5.70	5.70	3.45
Md.	3.55	3.70	5.60	5.50	3.40
Va.	3.60	3.80	5.60	5.70	3.40
W. Va.	3.80	4.15	5.70	5.80	3.60
N. C.	3.65	3.70	5.30	5.20	3.45
S. C.	3.65	3.90	5.20	5.40	3.55
Ga.	3.70	3.85	5.20	5.20	3.35
Fla.	3.75	4.15	5.40	5.30	3.50
S. Atl.	3.65	3.87	5.47	5.47	3.43
Ky.	3.55	3.65	5.40	5.40	3.65
Tenn.	3.50	3.60	5.10	5.20	3.50
Ala.	3.60	3.90	4.90	5.10	3.25
Miss.	3.60	3.70	4.75	4.90	3.35
E. S. Cent.	3.54	3.67	5.04	5.22	3.50
Ark.	3.10	3.25	4.75	4.95	3.25
La.	3.30	3.70	5.00	4.95	3.45
Okla.	3.25	3.00	4.85	5.00	3.25
Tex.	3.30	3.35	4.80	5.20	3.55
W. S. Cent.	3.26	3.27	4.82	5.04	3.46
Mont.	3.00	3.00	5.40	5.60	3.35
Idaho	2.95	2.90	5.50	6.40	3.45
Wyo.	3.30	3.45	5.70	5.80	3.65
Colo.	3.40	3.45	5.10	5.20	2.85
N. Mex.	3.85	4.00	5.10	5.10	3.70
Ariz.	4.25	3.70	3.70	6.00	3.45
Utah	2.90	3.00	5.00	5.40	3.45
Nev.	3.48	3.29	5.11	5.67	3.22
Mount.	3.45	3.50	5.60	6.20	3.70
Wash.	3.55	3.70	5.30	6.20	3.65
Oreg.	3.85	4.00	4.75	5.90	3.95
Calif.	3.71	3.71	5.12	6.09	3.67
Pac.	3.43	3.50	5.31	5.41	3.18
U. S.					

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Feed: Average price per 100 pounds paid by farmers,
by States and geographic divisions, July 15, 1968

State and division	Beef cattle concentrate, 30% and over protein	Hog Feed		Hominy feed	Tankage	Stock Salt
		14-18% protein	Over 20% protein			
D O L L A R S						
Maine	---	4.45	---	3.45	---	2.40
N. H.	---	4.25	---	3.30	---	2.25
Vt.	---	4.30	---	3.40	---	2.05
Mass.	---	4.25	---	3.45	---	2.25
R. I.	---	---	---	3.45	---	---
Conn.	---	4.35	---	3.45	---	2.25
N. Eng.	---	4.33	---	3.43	---	2.21
N. Y.	4.90	4.20	6.10	3.20	---	1.80
N. J.	5.10	4.45	---	3.25	6.10	2.30
Pa.	4.85	4.20	6.20	3.20	5.90	2.05
N. Atl.	4.88	4.23	6.17	3.20	5.95	1.98
Ohio	5.60	4.40	6.60	3.15	6.60	2.10
Ind.	5.40	4.35	6.50	2.90	6.50	2.15
Ill.	5.10	5.20	6.60	---	6.70	2.05
Mich.	5.30	4.15	6.50	---	6.40	2.05
Wis.	5.30	4.40	6.70	2.80	6.60	1.90
E. N. Cent.	5.27	4.49	6.59	3.01	6.58	2.03
Minn.	4.90	4.50	6.50	3.10	6.10	1.80
Iowa	5.20	5.10	6.60	3.00	6.40	1.85
Mo.	4.55	4.10	6.00	3.00	6.10	1.45
N. Dak.	4.75	3.80	6.10	---	---	1.70
S. Dak.	4.90	4.60	6.70	---	---	1.60
Nebr.	4.55	4.35	6.30	---	6.10	1.45
Kans.	4.35	4.30	6.00	2.95	6.30	1.20
W. N. Cent.	4.71	4.42	6.32	2.99	6.26	1.59
Del.	---	4.40	6.30	---	---	2.25
Md.	4.75	4.35	6.20	---	6.40	2.10
Va.	5.30	4.35	6.40	---	---	2.15
W. Va.	---	4.40	6.30	3.40	6.30	2.10
N. C.	5.10	4.20	6.30	---	---	2.45
S. C.	5.10	4.30	6.40	---	---	2.15
Ga.	5.00	4.15	6.00	---	---	2.00
Fla.	4.95	4.50	6.00	---	---	2.00
S. Atl.	4.99	4.27	6.24	---	6.38	2.13
Ky.	5.10	4.50	6.20	3.35	6.40	1.95
Tenn.	4.75	4.25	6.10	3.35	6.10	2.05
Ala.	4.90	4.20	6.00	---	---	2.00
Miss.	4.55	4.25	6.00	---	---	1.65
E. S. Cent.	4.78	4.29	6.08	3.35	6.26	1.92
Ark.	4.60	4.05	5.80	---	---	1.35
La.	4.80	4.35	6.00	---	---	1.50
Okla.	4.40	3.95	5.90	---	---	1.30
Texas	4.45	4.10	5.80	---	---	1.45
W. S. Cent.	4.54	4.12	5.86	---	---	1.42
Mont.	5.00	3.95	---	---	---	1.85
Idaho	4.75	4.15	---	---	---	1.80
Wyo.	5.10	---	---	---	---	1.65
Colo.	4.50	---	6.40	---	---	1.45
N. Mex.	4.75	---	---	---	---	1.45
Ariz.	4.80	---	---	---	---	1.50
Utah	4.20	3.70	---	---	---	1.45
Nev.	4.95	---	---	---	---	1.95
Mount.	4.78	3.33	---	---	---	1.62
Wash.	5.10	4.60	---	---	---	2.10
Oreg.	4.50	4.10	---	---	---	2.05
Calif.	4.80	4.30	6.60	---	---	1.85
Pac.	4.77	4.32	---	---	---	1.95
U. S.	4.72	4.38	6.39	3.21	6.38	1.74

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, July 15, 1968

State and division	Dairy feed, percent protein					
	14	16	18	20	32	40 and over
	D O L L A R S					
Maine	68	69	71	69	---	---
N. H.	68	68	---	69	---	---
Vt.	69	68	70	68	---	---
Mass.	69	69	70	69	---	---
R. I.	68	68	---	69	---	---
Conn.	68	68	70	69	---	---
N. Eng.	69	68	70	69	---	---
N. Y.	72	71	74	75	84	86
N. J.	85	79	78	85	93	100
Pa.	78	75	76	78	97	99
M. Atl.	75	72	75	77	92	94
Ohio	77	78	81	---	108	117
Ind.	70	77	---	---	104	109
Ill.	76	76	77	---	105	111
Mich.	68	74	---	82	102	115
Wis.	65	67	70	78	102	113
E. N. Cent.	72	73	76	79	104	113
Minn.	62	64	68	75	96	107
Iowa	71	73	77	---	103	114
Mo.	63	69	70	---	90	99
N. Dak.	69	70	---	---	87	104
S. Dak.	73	76	---	---	100	111
Nebr.	68	70	76	79	98	111
Kans.	65	71	---	---	89	107
W. N. Cent.	65	69	70	76	95	105
Del.	---	75	---	---	---	---
Md.	73	75	79	---	95	110
Va.	72	75	76	78	96	108
W. Va.	80	82	85	87	---	105
N. C.	70	73	74	79	95	108
S. C.	72	74	75	80	95	---
Geo.	74	75	79	82	90	103
Fla.	66	68	74	77	---	---
S. Atl.	71	74	75	78	95	108
Ky.	65	72	---	75	95	108
Tenn.	62	68	73	76	90	96
Ala.	---	70	71	---	---	94
Miss.	70	72	73	75	89	---
E. S. Cent.	65	70	72	75	92	104
Ark.	67	70	73	---	---	---
La.	69	74	76	78	---	---
Okla.	63	68	69	74	88	97
Texas	68	73	74	75	87	97
W. S. Cent.	67	72	74	77	87	97
Mont.	70	71	75	---	---	---
Idaho	66	75	---	---	90	---
Wyo.	---	76	---	---	---	---
Colo.	69	72	---	---	95	110
N. Mex.	71	73	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	65	70	---	---	---	105
Utah	64	67	---	---	88	---
Nev.	75	80	---	---	---	---
Mount.	65	72	---	---	91	108
Wash.	67	70	---	---	---	---
Oreg.	70	71	---	---	---	---
Calif.	64	66	69	---	---	---
Pac.	65	67	---	---	---	---
U. S.	67	71	74	76	98	108

Feed: Average price per ton paid by farmers for poultry feed, and poultry feed price ratios, by States and geographic divisions, July 15, 1968 1/

State and division	Poultry feeds, per ton				Poultry price ratios 2/			
	Chick starter	Laying feed complete	Turkey grower complete	Broiler grower	Oyster shells	Egg feed	Turkey feed	Broiler feed
	DOLLARS				POUNDS			
Maine	79	68	87	82	2.10	12.9	—	4.4
N. H.	79	68	86	82	2.10	13.5	7.0	4.4
Vt.	81	70	87	85	2.20	12.6	—	4.4
Mass.	79	68	85	82	1.95	14.1	—	4.3
R. I.	79	68	85	82	2.00	15.0	—	4.3
Conn.	79	68	84	82	2.00	15.0	7.9	4.3
N. Eng.	79	68	85	82	2.08	13.8	7.5	4.4
N. Y.	91	81	94	90	2.20	9.4	6.2	5.1
N. J.	89	72	93	92	2.05	10.6	6.0	5.0
Pa.	94	82	92	94	1.90	8.8	5.2	3.6
M. Atl.	92	80	93	94	2.10	9.3	5.7	3.7
Ohio	101	86	98	91	2.05	7.0	4.1	3.5
Ind.	99	82	87	91	2.05	7.4	4.4	3.5
Ill.	105	89	98	96	2.00	6.1	4.1	3.2
Mich.	101	82	92	92	2.25	7.6	4.1	3.9
Wis.	103	86	88	95	1.95	6.7	4.5	3.4
E. N. Cent.	101	85	93	92	2.03	6.9	4.2	3.6
Minn.	98	79	78	83	1.95	6.8	5.1	3.5
Iowa	102	78	92	93	1.90	5.9	3.9	—
Mo.	100	78	91	85	1.90	5.8	4.0	3.6
N. Dak.	103	93	97	93	2.15	4.7	—	—
S. Dak.	105	81	93	—	1.90	5.0	3.9	—
Nebr.	100	84	91	94	1.90	4.9	4.0	3.4
Kans.	95	81	89	92	1.85	5.3	4.3	3.5
W. N. Cent.	100	80	85	88	1.91	5.7	4.4	3.8
Del.	96	84	95	94	1.95	11.5	4.4	3.7
Md.	95	84	96	94	1.80	9.5	4.4	3.7
Va.	90	80	84	89	2.05	10.1	5.0	3.6
W. Va.	102	90	97	95	2.15	8.4	3.9	3.4
N. C.	86	78	86	85	1.95	10.0	4.9	3.6
S. C.	92	80	95	91	1.85	9.4	4.2	3.3
Ga.	93	83	94	91	1.55	10.1	4.5	3.2
Fla.	88	77	83	82	1.50	7.5	5.1	3.4
S. Atl.	93	80	89	90	1.83	9.6	4.7	3.5
Ky.	101	91	98	98	2.20	6.9	—	3.2
Tenn.	94	82	98	97	1.75	8.5	—	3.4
Ala.	90	80	93	85	1.70	9.8	4.3	3.4
Miss.	100	88	97	93	2.00	9.1	4.3	3.1
E. S. Cent.	95	84	96	89	1.93	9.0	4.3	3.1
Ark.	89	76	87	86	1.90	9.2	4.8	3.5
La.	95	83	97	90	1.90	9.6	—	3.2
Okla.	92	80	89	89	1.95	7.4	4.0	3.3
Texas	99	85	95	90	1.90	8.2	3.8	3.4
W. S. Cent.	94	81	92	87	1.91	8.7	4.3	3.5
Mont.	109	94	98	—	2.50	6.8	—	—
Idaho	104	86	96	100	2.80	7.2	—	3.4
Wyo.	105	92	—	—	2.60	7.9	—	—
Colo.	103	86	98	96	2.30	6.9	4.1	3.8
N. Mex.	105	85	94	94	2.45	9.4	4.3	—
Ariz.	89	74	82	90	2.75	6.8	—	—
Utah	90	77	89	91	2.10	7.8	4.3	3.7
Nev.	—	—	—	—	2.55	—	—	—
Mount.	101	83	92	97	2.53	7.4	4.2	3.5
Wash.	91	78	89	94	2.75	7.1	5.0	3.9
Oreg.	100	86	84	94	2.65	7.6	4.5	3.8
Calif.	85	70	76	88	1.60	7.3	5.3	3.9
Pac.	88	72	77	90	2.35	7.3	5.2	3.9
U. S.	94	80	87	89	2.03	8.2	4.5	3.5

1/ Pricing of scratch grain and cost of poultry ration discontinued January 1968. 2/ 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 liveweight, and number of pounds turkey grower equal in value to one pound of turkey liveweight. 3/ Complete ration feeds which are fed without further mixing or supplementation.

Food: Average prices paid by Farmers,
United States, June 15, 1968, with comparisons 1/

Commodity and Unit	Average 1957-59	1967			1968	
		June 15	Sept. 15	Dec. 15	Mar. 15	June 15
MEAT, POULTRY, AND FISH						
Steak, round, per lb.	89.2	98.3	101	100	101	102
Hamburger (beef), per lb.	52.6	59.3	60.2	—	60.5	60.6
Chuck roast, per lb.	58.1	62.6	64.5	63.6	—	64.5
Bologna, per lb.	55.6	64.3	—	65.3	—	65.6
Bacon, sliced, per lb.	63.8	82.5	78.4	72.5	73.1	74.9
Frankfurters, per lb.	57.3	65.9	—	—	—	66.2
Ham, not sliced, per lb.	64.2	—	70.9	—	—	—
Pork chops, per lb.	73.8	90.1	—	84.1	—	87.5
Frying chicken, per lb.	42.7	37.7	37.9	37.0	39.5	39.5
Frozen haddock, per lb.	52.7	—	64.7	—	—	—
Salmon, pink, per 16 oz. can	63.2	78.5	—	82.7	—	87.4
FATS						
Lard, per lb.	21.1	—	22.5	21.9	21.4	—
Vegetable shortening, per 3 lb. can	91.5	86.2	—	83.1	—	83.3
Margarine (including tax), per lb.	27.1	—	—	—	27.8	—
Salad dressing, per quart jar	52.6	—	55.1	55.3	55.2	—
French dressing, per 8-oz. bottle	—	—	2/62.7	2/63.5	34.1	—
Peanut butter, per lb.	49.5	54.0	—	—	—	54.3
DAIRY PRODUCTS and EGGS						
Milk, fluid, per 1/2 gal.	3/24.2	3/27.1	3/27.5	3/27.7	55.6	56.9
Milk, evaporated, per 14 1/2 oz. can	15.6	18.1	—	—	—	18.7
Cottage cheese, creamed, per lb.	35.5	37.4	—	—	—	39.5
Cheese, American, natural cheddar, per lb.	—	—	—	—	79.3	—
Processed cheese, American, per lb.	—	—	—	—	74.8	—
Ice cream, per 1/2 gallon	87.0	84.4	85.3	85.0	85.6	86.6
Eggs, per dozen	51.6	43.4	—	48.4	—	46.7
CEREAL AND BAKERY PRODUCTS						
Flour, per 10 lb. sack	—	—	1.24	—	1.23	—
Flour, per 25 lb. sack	2.15	—	2.48	—	2.46	—
Bread, white, per lb.	18.7	23.3	23.2	23.0	22.8	23.2
Cake, plain, already baked, per lb.	38.5	52.9	—	52.8	—	53.8
Corn meal, per lb.	7.51	—	—	—	8.99	—
Corn flakes, packaged, per lb.	32.2	43.1	—	43.5	43.6	43.5
Cake mix, per lb.	29.8	—	34.4	34.9	34.1	—
Gelatin dessert, per lb.	49.3	—	—	—	62.6	—
VEGETABLES and FRUITS						
Catsup, per lb.	21.5	28.8	—	—	—	30.1
Corn, canned, per No. 303 can	17.4	—	—	—	24.4	—
Peas, canned, per No. 303 can	17.9	—	—	—	22.9	—
Potatoes, Irish, per 10-lb. bag	53.9	65.4	62.3	58.7	58.1	60.7
Cabbage, per lb.	8.62	11.6	9.76	—	11.6	11.3
Lettuce, per head	21.0	—	23.0	—	22.6	—
Tomatoes, fresh, per lb.	27.1	35.2	23.3	33.8	—	36.5
Apples, fresh, per lb.	15.6	—	19.0	—	21.3	—
Bananas, per lb.	17.0	16.3	17.1	16.3	16.4	16.9
Oranges, per dozen	55.0	61.1	66.3	67.5	72.3	74.7
Orange juice conc. frozen, per 6 oz. can.	22.9	—	19.4	—	22.1	—
Orange juice, per 46 oz. can	44.6	—	—	—	44.3	—
Pineapple, sliced, per No. 2 can	—	38.9	—	—	—	40.1
Peaches, halves, per No. 2 1/2 can	36.0	—	—	—	37.6	—
SWEETS and BEVERAGES						
Sugar, per 5 lb. bag	—	64.1	64.9	65.2	65.3	66.1
Sirup, cane blended, per pt.	—	—	28.8	29.4	29.4	—
Sirup, maple blended, per pt.	—	—	40.1	40.7	41.4	—
Candy, non-choc., w/o nuts, per lb.	34.3	43.1	—	42.6	—	45.0
Coffee, ground, per lb.	86.6	81.5	81.6	80.7	81.2	81.9
Coffee, instant, per lb.	3.05	2.49	—	—	—	2.54
Tea, Orange Pekoe, per lb.	1.67	1.76	—	—	—	1.78
Cola drinks, per pint (16 fl. oz.)	9.00	12.6	13.0	13.0	—	13.7
Beer, 10-12 oz. size, per carton of 6	1.15	1.19	—	—	—	1.22

1/ Average of prices at independent and chain stores. 2/ Per pint. 3/ Per quart.

Tobacco and Clothing: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,
June 15, 1968 with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average 1957-59	1967			1968	
		June 15	Sept. 15	Dec. 15	Mar. 15	June 15
TOBACCO						
Smoking tobacco, per lb.	Dol.: 1.39	—	1.91	1.92	1.90	—
Cigarettes, per package	Ct.: 24.6	31.5	32.3	—	32.9	33.4
Cigarettes, per carton	Dol.: —	2.88	2.94	—	2.99	3.03
MEN'S and BOYS' APPAREL						
OUTERWEAR						
Men's overalls, each	Dol.: 3.51	4.45	4.51	4.59	4.76	4.85
Boys' waist overalls, denim, each	" : 2.28	3.04	3.09	3.17	3.24	3.31
Men's wk. suits, match. shirt & pants, per suit .	" : 6.51	7.98	8.20	—	8.66	8.75
Men's work shirts, cotton, each	" : 2.02	2.67	2.73	2.83	2.87	2.86
Men's shirts, broadcloth, each	" : 3.12	3.67	3.79	3.87	3.92	3.92
Men's sport shirts, artificial fiber, short sleeve	" : 3.04	3.66	—	—	—	3.93
Men's work socks, cotton, per pair	Ct.: 32.6	40.1	40.4	41.4	42.1	42.1
Men's canvas gloves, knitted wrists, per pair ...	Ct.: 36.0	43.1	43.6	44.8	45.3	45.2
Men's sport coats, wool, each	Dol.: 28.4	—	30.3	—	31.9	—
Men's chore jackets, lined, each	" : —	—	7.47	7.66	7.84	—
Men's hats, felt, each	" : 6.88	—	—	8.94	9.07	—
Men's suits, wool, with 1 pair pants, each	" : 43.6	55.0	56.0	56.6	57.3	58.1
Men's suits, wool and art. fiber mixtures, ea. .	" : 37.5	48.7	49.4	—	51.2	52.8
Boys' suits, 6-12 years, each	" : 19.7	—	—	18.2	17.9	—
Men's extra trousers, woolen fabric, each	" : 11.0	—	13.2	13.3	13.4	—
Men's trousers, art. fiber mixtures, each	" : 2/4.15	8.52	8.60	8.64	8.82	9.03
UNDERWEAR						
Men's undershirts, sleeveless, each	Ct.: 68.5	84.5	86.3	—	88.7	89.8
Men's shorts, each	" : 80.8	93.5	96.6	—	99.7	101.0
SHOES and BOOTS						
Men's work shoes, per pair	Dol.: 7.87	10.3	10.7	10.6	10.9	10.8
Men's dress shoes or Oxfords, per pair	" : 9.42	11.8	12.0	12.2	12.4	12.4
Men's rubber boots, knee-length, per pair	" : 6.86	—	7.46	—	7.53	—
Boys' work shoes, sizes 2 1/2-6, per pair	" : 5.39	7.17	7.17	7.26	7.38	7.50
Boys' dress shoes or Oxfords, sizes 2 1/2-6, per pair	" : 6.01	7.40	7.46	7.57	7.65	7.69
WOMEN'S and GIRLS' APPAREL						
SHOES and ACCESSORIES						
Women's shoes or Oxfords, per pair	" : 5.76	7.07	7.17	7.36	7.54	7.63
Women's pumps or straps, per pair	" : 6.67	8.38	8.52	8.66	8.72	8.72
Women's Casuals, composition soles, pair	" : 4.25	5.29	—	—	5.72	5.72
Girls' shoes or Oxfords, sizes 1 1/2-3, per pair ..	" : 4.72	5.38	5.64	5.82	5.77	5.76
Women's handbags, each	" : 3.20	3.62	—	3.85	—	3.90
UNDERWEAR						
Women's slips, cotton, each	" : 3/2.48	2.52	—	2.54	—	2.63
Women's slips, nylon, each	" : 3.72	3.76	—	3.80	—	3.89
Women's girdles, panty style, each	" : 4/4.08	5.05	5.07	5.19	5.31	5.44
Women's panties or briefs, nylon each	Ct.: 62.1	86.9	—	88.0	88.6	90.9
Women's nightgowns, cotton, each	Dol.: 2.57	3.01	3.17	3.13	3.20	3.21
Girls' panties, cotton, each	Ct.: —	51.6	—	—	—	54.7
OUTERWEAR						
Women's hose, nylon, per pair	Dol.: 1.04	.921	.923	.938	.940	.943
Girls' anklets, cotton, per pair	Ct.: 39.5	43.3	44.5	—	45.7	45.8
Women's house dresses, percale, each	Dol.: 3.29	4.65	4.72	4.85	5.00	5.02
Women's street dresses, cotton, each	" : 6.18	7.73	7.98	8.00	8.16	8.16
Women's dresses, rayon, medium quality, each ...	" : 8.38	10.1	10.4	10.6	10.8	10.9
Women's dresses, dacron blends, each	" : 11.7	12.5	12.9	13.3	13.6	13.5
Girls' dresses, cotton, sizes 7-14, each	" : 3.68	4.49	4.64	4.73	4.83	4.80
Women's suits, 2-piece, wool, each	" : 28.5	—	32.6	33.4	34.2	—
Women's blouses, dacron, each	" : 3.63	4.18	—	4.56	4.72	4.60
Women's sweaters, artificial fibers, each	" : 5.53	—	—	—	7.56	—
Women's car coats, each	" : 14.2	17.0	19.1	20.2	19.4	19.1
Girls' straw hats, each	" : 1.67	1.73	—	—	—	1.81

1/ Average of prices at independent and chain stores. 2/ Cotton. 3/ Rayon. 4/ Semi-step-in-style.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, July 1968

Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Yard goods, household textiles, supplies, services and electrical appliances: Average prices paid by farmers, United States, June 15, 1968, with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average:	1967		1968		
	1957-59	June 15	Sept. 15	Dec. 15	Mar. 15	June 15
YARD GOODS						
Gingham, 36" width, per yard	Ct.: 70.7	71.7	73.2	—	72.3	72.8
Cheese cloth, 36" width, per yard	" : 11.9	—	—	14.7	14.7	—
Muslin, 36" width, unbleached, per yard	" : 30.7	35.1	—	—	—	36.4
Muslin, 36" width, bleached, per yard	" : 37.9	42.6	—	—	—	44.0
HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES						
Sheets, 72"x108", percale, twin size, each	Dol.: 2/2.24	2.68	2.70	2.75	2.80	2.84
Sheets, 81"x108", percale, full size, each	" : 2/2.50	2.97	2.97	3.05	3.10	3.17
Blankets, single, cotton, 72"x84", each	" : 2.59	—	—	3.36	—	—
Bath towels, 22"x44", each	" : 3/6.93	1.03	1.05	—	1.10	1.14
Curtains, kitchen, ready made, per pair	" : 2.16	—	2.65	—	2.74	—
Tablecloths, 52" x 70", each	" : 3.04	3.36	3.50	3.63	3.64	3.67
HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES						
Toilet soap, regular size, per cake	Ct.: 10.9	14.0	14.2	14.1	14.3	14.4
Toilet paper, per roll	" : 11.1	—	—	—	13.2	—
Cleansing tissues, per box of 400	" : 30.1	—	—	—	29.6	—
Insecticide, household, aerosol, per lb.	Dol.: 1.14	1.19	—	—	—	1.24
House brooms, each	" : 1.44	—	—	—	1.60	—
Furnace or fuel oil, per gallon	Ct.: 16.1	16.6	16.6	16.7	17.0	17.0
HOUSEHOLD SERVICES						
Electricity, per kWh	" : 2.39	2.17	2.17	2.17	2.13	2.13
Telephone, local service, per month	Dol.: 4.04	5.15	5.15	5.15	5.23	5.23
Magazines, yearly subscription	" : 3.12	2.53	2.53	2.53	2.64	2.64
Newspapers, daily and weekly, yearly subscription	" : 10.4	13.2	13.2	13.2	13.5	13.6
College tuition, year	" : 210	318	340	340	340	340
ELECTRIC APPLIANCES						
Floor lamps, medium quality, each	" : 16.8	21.1	21.7	22.1	22.8	22.9
Radios, table model, 4 tubes, plus rect., ea.	" : 26.2	19.6	19.4	19.6	19.5	20.1
Portable radio sets, 8-10 trans., w/bat., ea.	" : 35.1	23.0	23.1	22.7	22.6	22.9
Television sets:						
18 inch portable, each	" : 182	150	152	151	148	150
22 inch console, each	" : 260	225	226	228	222	223
Refrigerators:						
10 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 255	200	199	198	199	201
11 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 290	215	217	217	216	217
12 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 324	234	237	239	238	241
13 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 364	262	264	265	264	267
14 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 399	286	288	289	289	293
Home freezers, upright:						
12 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 308	211	214	212	214	213
14 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 338	236	240	239	239	238
16 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 362	255	259	261	261	260
18 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 410	289	291	295	298	295
Home freezers, chest:						
14 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 312	228	228	225	223	223
16 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 329	234	232	235	232	232
18 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 371	261	260	262	261	264
20 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 410	281	281	284	283	284
22 cu. ft. capacity, each	" : 422	292	293	298	297	298
Air conditioner, window type, 7,000-10,000 BTU, each	" : 197	213	218	212	215	215
Washing machines, wringer type, 12-16 lbs. cap., each						
Washing machines, automatic, 12-16 lbs. cap., each	" : —	150	151	153	154	154
Clothes dryers, 12-16 lb. capacity, each						
Sewing machines, portable, incl. car. case, ea.	" : 98.4	85.5	84.9	85.2	85.7	86.1
Vacuum cleaners, canister type, std. attach., ea.	" : 63.5	51.1	51.6	51.8	51.9	52.6
Irons, comb., spray - steam, each	" : —	14.5	14.9	14.8	15.0	15.0
Toasters, pop-up, each	" : 19.2	16.2	16.5	16.6	16.5	16.8
Fans, window type, 20 inch, each	" : —	24.4	24.2	24.2	24.4	23.9
Ranges, 4 top heating units, each	" : 241	223	225	227	228	229

1/ Average of prices at independent and chain stores. 2/ Medium quality. 3/ 20" x 40".

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Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Household equipment, furnishings, and building materials: Average prices paid by farmers, United States, June 15, 1968 with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average	1957			1968	
	1957-59	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June
	15	15	15	15	15	15
HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT						
Gas ranges, 4 burner with oven, each	Dol. 177	183	184	187	185	186
Kitchen wall cabinets, double door, each	" 23.1	25.5	26.0	26.5	29.1	30.0
Kitchen sink, enameled, without fixtures, each	" 26.0	—	—	34.5	—	—
Mixing faucet, sink, each	" 11.9	—	—	13.2	—	—
Bathtubs, enameled, each	" 87.2	—	—	81.2	—	—
Toilets, water, china, each	" 37.4	—	—	33.1	—	—
Dinner plates, earthenware, plain, each	Cts. —	.312	.313	.317	.321	.322
BEDDING and FURNITURE						
Mattresses, 54" innerspring, each	Dol. 44.0	47.4	48.2	49.1	49.5	50.2
Boxsprings, 54", each	" 43.2	46.6	47.4	48.1	48.3	49.4
Hollywood bed sets, 39", incl. spring and mattress	" 73.4	80.0	81.6	81.9	82.4	83.9
Bedroom sets, wood, incl. panel bed, dresser, chest of drawers, per set	" 184	210	213	216	222	226
Living room sets, 2 piece, uphol., per set	" 196	222	227	228	233	238
Lounge chairs, upholstered, each	" 72.6	86.8	87.7	89.6	91.9	93.3
Swivel rockers, upholstered, each	" —	73.2	73.4	75.9	77.1	78.4
Sofa beds, 72 inch, each	" —	110	113	116	119	121
Dining room sets, buffet, 6' ext. table, 6 chairs, per set	" 269	333	340	346	352	356
Dinette sets, table and 4 chairs, per set	" 85.0	85.1	85.7	87.1	88.3	88.9
FLOOR COVERINGS						
Carpet, tufted, Nylon, w/w or rm. size, sq. yd.	" —	7.41	7.47	7.40	7.48	7.53
Carpet, tufted, Wool, w/w or rm. size, sq. yd.	" —	11.0	11.0	11.2	11.3	11.4
Carpet, tuft., Acry. fiber, w/w or rm. size, sq. yd.	" —	9.3	9.34	9.40	9.38	9.39
Felt-base linoleum, per sq. yd.	" —	1.35	1.34	1.39	1.41	1.41
Inlaid linoleum, 6' width, std. gauge, per run. ft.	" 2.41	2.40	2.39	2.49	2.55	2.61
Inlaid linoleum, 6' wide, per sq. yd.	" 3.83	3.86	3.91	4.00	4.04	4.11
BUILDING MATERIALS						
Lumber, per 1000 board ft.						
2" x 4"s, pine, No. 2 and better 2/	" 125	133	136	138	144	151
2" x 4"s, pine, Under No. 2 3/	" 105	111	113	115	122	127
2" x 4"s, fir, Standard and better	" 144	148	151	153	162	169
2" x 4"s, fir, Utility and economy	" 117	113	117	118	126	131
Rough boards, com., No. 2 and better 2/	" 130	137	140	143	147	151
Rough boards, com., Under No. 2 3/	" 108	112	114	116	120	125
Dressed boards, com., No. 2 and better 2/	" 156	168	170	172	177	181
Dressed boards, com., Under No. 2 3/	" 122	122	126	127	131	135
T & G roofers, No. 2 and better	" 107	115	115	117	123	129
Ship-lap, com., pine, No 2 and better 2/	" 135	141	143	146	148	152
Ship-lap, com., pine, Under No. 2 3/	" 122	119	123	123	128	132
Drop-siding, pine, C and better	" 210	207	208	207	214	219
Drop-siding, fir, C and better	" 239	263	264	265	268	274
Bevel-siding, cedar, clear	" 176	214	217	219	223	229
Flooring, yellow pine, B and better	" 221	225	231	231	233	236
Flooring, fir, B and better	" 263	316	319	322	325	333
Flooring, oak, select	" 272	292	294	296	299	302
Flooring, oak, No. 1	" 226	253	254	255	259	260
Wood shingles, cedar, 16", No. 2, per square	" 14.4	17.4	17.9	18.4	19.1	19.9
Asphalt shingles, mineral surface, per square	" 9.01	9.23	9.35	9.42	9.62	9.64
Asbestos siding shingles, per square	" 17.3	22.3	22.4	22.4	23.1	23.5
Roofing, composition, per 100 sq. ft.	" 4.32	4.16	4.19	4.21	4.28	4.30
Roofing, galv., steel, per 100 sq. ft.	" 13.0	13.2	13.3	13.5	13.7	13.8
Roofing, aluminum, per 100 sq. ft.	" 17.6	18.1	—	—	18.6	18.9

1/ Average of prices at independent and chain stores. 2/ Standard and better west of Mississippi. 3/ Utility and economy west of Mississippi.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, July 1968

Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Building and fencing materials and motor supplies: Average prices paid by farmers, United States, June 15, 1968 with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average 1957-59	1967			1968		
		June 15	Sept. 15	Dec. 15	March 15	June 15	
BUILDING MATERIALS (Continued)							
Doors, fir, 2-panel, each	Dol.:	11.5	13.5	13.9	14.2	14.5	14.8
Doors, flush, hollow-core, each	"	11.1	8.67	8.82	8.90	9.10	9.36
Windows, house, D.H. unit, per unit	"	20.9	24.2	24.3	24.5	25.6	26.0
Insulating board, interior, 1/2", per 1000 sq. ft.	"	85.1	88.1	89.5	90.0	90.0	90.9
Gypsum board, 1/2", per 1000 sq. ft.	"	69.1	69.3	69.9	70.7	71.3	71.6
Gypsum board, 3/8", per 1000 sq. ft.	"	59.0	59.5	60.1	60.6	61.5	61.9
Plywood interior, 1/4", A-D, per 100 sq. ft.	"	13.8	11.3	11.8	11.6	12.4	12.8
Brick, common, per 1000	"	52.5	63.8	—	—	65.6	66.6
Brick, face, per 1000	"	71.6	82.8	—	—	84.6	85.7
Portland cement, 94 lb. net	"	1.47	1.61	1.62	1.62	1.66	1.68
Concrete blocks, 8" x 8" x 16", per 100	"	25.0	26.9	27.3	27.3	27.9	28.0
Linseed oil, per gal.	"	2.84	3.18	3.22	3.23	3.26	3.27
House paint, ready-mixed, per gal.	"	6.34	6.60	6.63	6.73	6.79	6.89
Wall paint, int., rubber base, per gal.	"	5.83	5.94	5.90	6.00	6.10	6.16
Nails 8d, common, lb.	Ct.:	16.6	18.0	18.1	18.1	18.2	18.3
Iron pipe, galvanized, 1/2", per ft.	"	18.9	—	—	—	20.2	—
Iron pipe, galvanized, 1", per ft.	"	33.6	—	—	—	35.9	—
FENCING MATERIALS							
Field and stock fence, woven wire, 12 1/2 gage, 32 in. per 20 rod roll	Dol.:	22.7	23.8	24.3	23.9	24.1	24.2
Field and stock fence, woven wire, 12 1/2 gage, 39 in. per 20 rod roll	"	—	27.6	28.0	27.9	28.1	28.1
Barbed wire, 12 1/2 gage, 2-pt., 80 rod spool	"	9.93	9.89	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.3
Barbed wire, 12 1/2 gage, 4-pt., 80 rod spool	"	11.0	11.0	11.2	11.3	11.3	11.3
Post, wood, line fence, each	Ct.:	75.0	88.3	89.7	91.6	93.4	95.5
Posts, steel, line fence, each	Dol.:	1.15	1.15	1.17	1.18	1.19	1.19
Staples, fence, lb.	Ct.:	17.8	19.9	—	—	—	20.3
Battery fence charger with batteries, each	Dol.:	20.4	22.7	—	—	—	23.2
MOTOR SUPPLIES							
Gasoline, filling station, per gallon	Ct.:	30.9	32.9	33.0	33.1	33.2	33.1
Gasoline, tank truck, per gallon	"	26.8	28.3	28.2	28.3	28.5	28.2
Kerosene, per gallon	"	18.3	19.4	19.6	19.6	19.8	20.0
Tractor fuel, diesel, per gallon	"	16.5	16.7	16.9	17.0	17.6	17.6
Motor oil, per gallon:							
Regular (non-detergent)	Dol.:	1.22	1.27	1.27	1.28	1.31	1.30
Heavy-duty (detergent)	"	1.54	1.61	1.61	1.62	1.66	1.66
All-weather (high-detergent)	"	1.82	1.93	1.93	1.94	1.99	2.00
Grease, per 1 1/2 oz. cartridge	Ct.:	—	34.6	34.6	34.9	35.5	35.7
Grease, per 35 lb. pail	Dol.:	—	8.07	8.19	8.24	8.18	8.22
Tires, auto, each:							
Tube-type, 7.75/6.70-15, 4-ply each	Dol.:	19.4	18.2	18.6	18.7	18.8	19.0
Tubeless, 7.75/7.50-14, 4-ply each 2/	"	23.2	22.2	22.8	22.9	23.3	23.3
Inner tubes, 7.75/6.70-15, each	"	3.84	3.32	3.35	3.31	—	3.35
Tires, truck, 7.50 x 20, 8-ply, each	Dol.:	68.1	55.8	56.3	56.7	56.4	56.6
Tires, truck, 7.50 x 20, 10-ply, each	"	77.8	63.6	63.9	64.2	64.2	64.4
Tires, tractor, rear, 13.6/12-28 4-ply, ea. 3/	"	105	80.3	80.7	82.2	81.8	80.5
Tires, tractor, rear, 15.5 x 38, 6-ply, ea. 4/	"	—	130	—	132	133	132
Storage batteries, 45 plates, 6 volt., ea.							
Storage batteries, 51 plates, 6 volt., ea.	"	16.7	15.4	15.4	15.5	15.6	15.8
Storage batteries, 51 plates, 6 volt., ea.	"	19.8	18.8	19.0	19.2	19.3	19.4
Storage batteries, 54 plates, 12 volt., ea.	"	22.9	21.5	21.5	21.6	21.7	22.0
Storage batteries, 66 plates, 12 volt., ea.	"	27.7	26.3	26.0	26.2	26.2	26.6
Spark plugs, each							
Spark plugs, each	Ct.:	90.9	—	93.0	92.6	93.6	—
Antifreeze, permanent, per gallon	Dol.:	2.84	—	2.06	2.00	2.05	—
Antifreeze, alcohol, per gallon	"	1.37	—	1.22	1.22	1.23	—
Oil filter, cartridge refill, each	"	—	—	—	—	2.17	—
Oil filter, spin-on, each	"	—	—	—	—	3.06	—
Lubrication, automobiles, each 4/	"	1.33	1.59	—	—	—	1.66
Motor tune-up, labor only, all makes, ea. 4/	"	6.03	7.67	—	—	—	8.35
Brake relining, incl. materials, each 4/	"	23.3	30.2	—	—	—	32.3

1/ Average of prices at independent and chain stores. 2/ 6.70 x 15 prior to 1967.
3/ 12.4/11-38 prior to 1967. 4/ Average of prices at independent stores.

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Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Farm supplies, marketing containers and farm machinery: Average prices paid by farmers, United States, June 15, 1968, with comparisons ^{1/}

Commodity and unit	Average 1957-59	1967			1968	
		June 15	Sept 15	Dec. 15	Mar. 15	June 15
FARM SUPPLIES						
Brooder, gas, with canopy, each	Dol. 48.0	—	—	53.1	53.8	—
Milk pails, 12 qt., each	" 2.21	—	2.77	—	2.80	—
Milk cans, 10-gal., each	" 13.6	—	15.8	—	16.2	—
Horse or mule collars, canvas, each ^{2/}	" 3.55	4.97	4.93	—	5.07	5.12
Hoes, 7-inch blade, each	" 2.38	2.90	—	—	—	3.01
Hand sprayer, pressure, 3-4 gal. cap., each	" 9.70	10.5	10.6	—	10.7	11.1
Pitchforks, 3-tine, each	" 3.66	4.89	—	5.02	—	5.11
Pitchforks, 4-tine, each	" 4.41	5.60	—	5.74	—	5.84
Adjustable end wrench, 10-inch, each	" 3.05	—	—	—	3.82	—
Grease gun, hand pressure, 1-lb. cap., each	" 3.88	—	—	—	4.49	—
Lawn mower, gasoline, rotary, 20-inch, each	" —	61.6	—	—	—	62.3
Electric drill, ^{1/4} -inch, each	" 16.5	—	—	—	14.2	—
Electric motor, ^{1/2} -h.p., each	" 20.7	—	21.4	—	21.6	—
Hand saw, electric, 7", w/motor, each	" 50.6	—	—	—	37.4	—
Plastic tubing, 1.0 inch, per ft.	Ct. —	13.7	—	—	—	13.6
Soldering iron, electric, each	Dol. 6.10	—	—	—	7.97	—
Rope, manila, per lb. ^{2/}	Ct. 75.4	88.8	—	89.2	—	89.4
Binder, twine, per lb.	" 23.5	26.4	—	—	—	25.7
Baler twine, per lb.	" 21.1	22.0	—	—	—	21.4
Baling wire, per 100 lbs. ^{2/}	Dol. 12.5	12.0	—	—	—	12.2
Wire screen, galvanized, 16-mesh, per ft.	Ct. 23.8	23.6	—	—	—	24.2
MARKETING CONTAINERS ^{2/}						
New baskets, stave, bu., w/cover, doz.	Dol. 4.67	5.86	5.84	5.81	5.88	5.96
Potato sacks, burlap, 100-lb., per 100	" 15.9	21.4	19.9	20.2	20.0	20.2
Bags, open mesh, 50-lb., per 100	" 19.8	21.2	21.1	21.1	22.1	22.1
New hampers, 1-bu., w/cover, per 100	" 37.5	42.6	43.1	42.9	43.1	43.4
Fruit box shock, per box	Ct. 43.1	34.6	34.6	34.6	33.2	33.5
Vegetable crate shock, per crate	" 53.0	41.7	42.8	40.2	39.4	40.5
Lug box shock, per box	" 32.0	31.9	29.5	—	31.0	31.3
FARM MACHINERY ^{2/}						
Gas engines, 3 h.p., each	Dol. 87.5	60.6	—	62.1	—	62.0
Gas engines, 5 h.p., each	" 126	104	—	106	—	106
Plows, moldboard, one-bottom, each	" 155	—	193	—	200	—
Plows, moldboard, two-bottoms, each	" 280	—	368	—	373	—
Plows, moldboard, three-bottoms, each	" 418	—	614	—	633	—
Disk plows, 2-disk, each	" 305	—	379	—	385	—
Disk plows, 3-disk, each	" 430	—	522	—	517	—
Disk tiller, one-way, 4 ft., each	" 380	—	—	—	351	—
Disk tiller, one-way, 12 ft., each	" 866	—	—	—	1,260	—
Disk harrows, tandem, 5-6.9 ft., each	" 321	—	371	—	382	—
Disk harrows, tandem, 7-8.9 ft., each	" 366	—	486	—	495	—
Disk harrows, tandem, 9-11 ft., each	" 573	—	726	—	737	—
Disk harrows, transport wheels, 10', each	" 673	—	851	—	879	—
Disk harrows, transport wheels, 12', each	" 750	—	1,010	—	1,050	—
Disk harrows, transport wheels, 14', each	" 854	—	1,170	—	1,210	—
Disk harrows, offset, 6 ft., each	Dol. 557	—	790	—	786	—
Disk harrows, offset, 7 ft., each	" 646	—	976	—	981	—
Spiketooth harrows, steel bar, 1 sec., each	" 36.0	—	53.2	—	53.8	—
Spiketooth harrows, steel bar, 2 sec., each	" 86.0	—	126	—	125	—
Spiketooth harrows, steel bar, 4 sec., each	" 158	—	228	—	237	—

^{1/} Average of prices at independent and chain stores.

^{2/} Average of prices at independent stores.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, July 1968

Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Farm machinery: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,
June 15, 1968, with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average, 1957-59	1967			1968	
		June 15	Sept. 15	Dec. 15	Mar. 15	June 15
FARM MACHINERY (continued)						
Springtooth harrows, 2 sec., each	Dol. 127	---	170	---	176	---
Springtooth harrows, 3 sec., each	" 194	---	235	---	265	---
Field cultivators, 10 ft., each	" 372	---	---	---	515	---
Pulverizers, single gang, 10 ft., each ...	" 270	---	---	---	335	---
Stalk outter, rotary type, 2-row, each ...	" 441	---	---	---	480	---
Grain drills, tr.-dr., plain, 16-tube, ea.	" 634	---	902	---	904	---
Grain drills, tr.-dr., plain, 20-tube, ea.	" 724	---	1,100	---	1,130	---
Grain drills, tr.-dr., fert., 13-tube, ea.	" 646	---	966	---	994	---
Grain drills, tr.-dr., press, 10-tube, ea.	" 698	---	988	---	983	---
Grain drills, tr.-dr., press, 20-tube, ea.	" 1,030	---	1,600	---	1,610	---
Grain drills, tr.-dr., press, 24-tube, ea.	" 1,260	---	1,790	---	1,820	---
Corn planters, 4 row, plain, each	" 549	---	---	---	919	---
Corn planters, 2-row, fert. attachment, ea.	" 332	---	---	---	506	---
Corn planters, 4-row, fert. attachment, ea.	" 692	---	---	---	1,250	---
Corn and cotton planters, 2-row, fert. attachment, each	" 284	---	---	---	500	---
Fertilizer & lime spreaders, plain, 10', ea.	" 304	---	374	---	384	---
Fertilizer & lime spreaders, seeder attach., 10 foot, each	" 395	---	477	---	493	---
Cultivators, row crop, 2-row, tractor, ea.	" 312	370	---	---	---	381
Cultivators, row crop, 4-row, tractor, ea.	" 654	840	---	---	---	878
Hoe, rotary, 2-section, each	" 230	268	---	---	---	285
Mowers, tractor, 6-ft., each	" 367	492	---	---	---	515
Mowers, tractor, 7-ft., each	" 394	568	---	---	---	593
Hay rakes, side del., traction, each	" 492	624	---	---	---	646
Hay rakes, side del., P.T.O., each	" 503	582	---	---	---	601
Pick-up balers, automatic tie, P.T.O. each	" 2/2,390	2,070	---	---	---	2,150
Forage harvesters, P.T.O.						
Shear bar type, with pickup attach., ea.	" 1,830	2,440	2,480	---	---	2,540
Flail type, each	" ---	1,520	1,520	---	---	1,580
Combines, self-prop., 10 ft., each	" 5,380	6,950	7,140	---	---	7,380
Combines, self-prop., 12 ft., each	" 6,320	8,440	8,720	---	---	8,970
Combines, self-prop., 14 ft., each	" 6,940	9,710	9,960	---	---	10,300
Combines, tr. dr., PTO, 5'-6'5", each	" 1,800	2,740	2,830	---	---	2,870
Combines, tr. dr., PTO, 6'6"-10'5", each	" 2,210	3,290	3,390	---	---	3,470
Windrowers, self-propelled, 14 ft., each	" 2,650	4,460	---	---	---	4,720
Single milker units, with pail, each	" 131	155	---	139	---	163
Farm milk coolers, 6 cans, side door, each	" 528	538	---	546	---	545

1/ Average of prices at independent stores.

2/ Auxiliary engine.

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Farm Machinery and Tractors: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,
June 15, 1968, with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average 1957-59	1967			1968	
		June 15	Sept. 15	Dec. 15	March 15	June 15
FARM MACHINERY (Continued)						
Bulk milk coolers, ice bank type, each:						
200-300 gal. capacity	Dol. 2,250	2,190	—	—	—	2,240
300-400 gal. capacity	" 2,490	2,640	—	—	—	2,610
Bulk milk coolers, expansion type, each:						
200-300 gal. capacity	" 2,250	2,110	—	2,130	—	2,150
300-400 gal. capacity	" 2,700	2,600	—	2,620	—	2,630
Irrigation pump, gas engine, 20-30 h.p. ea.	" —	1,130	—	—	—	1,180
Irrigation pump, gas engine, 30-40 h.p. ea.	" —	1,450	—	—	—	1,470
Tractor manure loaders, hydraulic, each ...	" 439	656	—	675	—	697
Manure spreaders, 2 wheel:						
70 bu. wheel traction operated, each	" 476	600	—	617	—	631
95 bu. wheel traction operated, each	" 560	693	—	710	—	723
95 bu. power driven, each	" 687	796	—	787	—	815
140 bu. power driven, each	" 809	965	—	988	—	1,000
Farm wagons, less box and tires, each	" 184	208	—	213	—	219
Sprayers, power, boom type:						
Trailer type, incl. spray tank, each	" —	457	—	—	—	479
Tractor mounted, each	" 196	342	—	—	—	382
TRACTORS						
Wheel:						
30-39 P.T.O. or belt h.p., each	" 3,070	3,950	3,980	4,020	4,100	4,120
40-49 P.T.O. or belt h.p., each	" 3,930	5,330	5,390	5,430	5,500	5,520
50-59 P.T.O. or belt h.p., each	" 5,050	6,370	6,430	6,540	6,600	6,630
60-69 P.T.O. or belt h.p., each	" 5,720	7,060	7,150	7,250	7,310	7,270
Crawler:						
25-34 db. h.p., each	" 5,230	—	—	—	6,290	—
35-49 db. h.p., each	" 7,260	—	—	—	3,560	—
50-64 db. h.p., each	" 9,720	—	—	—	12,700	—
Garden:						
3 engine h.p. and over, each	" 330	—	—	—	810	—

1/ Average of prices at independent stores.

Spray materials: Average prices paid by farmers, United States,
April 15, 1968, with comparisons 1/

Commodity and unit	Average 1957-59	1966		1967		1968	
		April 15	April 15	April 15	April 15	April 15	April 15
Spray materials:							
Aldrin, per gallon	Dol. —	5.81	6.50	2/ 7.43			
Arsenate of lead, per lb.	" .377	.375	.368		.406		
Carbaryl, 80% wettable powder, per lb. ..	" —	—	—		.818		
Malathion, 25-50% wt. powder, per lb. 3/	" —	.667	.652		4/10.5		
DDT, 40-50% wettable powder, per lb.	" .364	.338	.342		5/ .373		
Parathion, 1-2% dust, per lb. 3/.....	" —	.093	.096		6/ 4.82		
Zineb, 4-5% dust, per lb.	" —	.316	.332		7/ .728		
Atrazine, 80% wettable powder, per lb. ..	" —	—	—		2.39		
Toxaphene, 20% dust, per lb. 3/.....	" —	.111	.105		8/ 3.65		
2, 4-D, per gal.	" 3.78	3.60	3.64		2/ 3.86		
2, 4, 5-T, per gal.	" —	9.89	9.86		2/ 9.57		

1/ Average of prices at independent stores. 2/ Emulsifiable concentrate 4 lbs./gal. 3/ Per gal., April 1968. 4/ Emulsifiable concentrate 5 lbs./gal. 5/ 50% wettable powder. 6/ Emulsifiable concentrate 2 lbs./gal. 7/ 75% wettable powder. 8/ Emulsifiable concentrate 6 lbs./gal.

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