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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UNCHANGED PARITY INDEX UP 3 POINTS ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO 79

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers remained unchanged during the month ended April 15 at 259 percent of its 1910-14 average, the Crop Reporting Board announced today. Higher prices received for tomatoes, potatoes, oranges, and manufacturing grade milk were offset by price declines for fluid market milk, eggs, and wheat. The index was 6 percent above April 1967.

The Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, including Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates advanced 3 points (3/4 percent) during the month. At 353, the index was 13 points (4 percent) above a year earlier.

With prices paid by farmers higher and prices received unchanged, the preliminary Adjusted Parity Ratio declined to 79.

The Parity Ratio declined 1 point to 73.

SUMMARY TABLE

Index 1910-14=100	: April 15, 1967	: March 15, 1968	: April 15, 1968	: Record high Index	: Date
Prices Received.....	245	259	259	313	Feb. 1951
Parity Index 1/.....	340	350	353	353	Apr. 1968
Parity Ratio	72	74	73	123	Oct. 1946
Adjusted Parity Ratio 2/ (preliminary) :	77	80	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 of the April 1967 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES for a description of the method of making current estimates of the Adjusted Parity Ratio.

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PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

POULTRY AND EGGS: A greater-than-seasonal decline in egg prices together with lower prices for broilers dropped the poultry and egg index 4 percent during the month ended April 15 to 127 (1910-14=100). Partially offsetting was a 5 percent gain in turkey prices. Farmers received an average of 28.6 cents per dozen for eggs in mid-April, 6 percent below mid-March. The average March to April change is a decrease of 5 percent. The index was 2 percent below April 1967.

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES: The mid-April index for commercial vegetables, at 360, was up 5 percent from a month earlier and was 18 percent above April 1967. Higher prices than a month earlier for tomatoes, lettuce, and onions were mainly responsible for the increase. Price declines were reported for most other vegetables.

MEAT ANIMALS: Prices received by farmers for meat animals in mid-April averaged 1 percent higher than a month earlier. The index, at 348, was 9 percent above a year earlier. Beef cattle averaged \$23.50 per cwt. in mid-April, up 20 cents from mid-March. Hogs, at \$18.60, were up 10 cents. Sheep prices were up 8 cents per cwt., and lambs were up 90 cents to \$25.40. Receipts of cattle at 12 public stockyards during the 4 weeks ended April 20 were down 5 percent from the preceding 4 weeks and 9 percent below a year earlier. Marketings of hogs at the 12 yards were up 5 percent from the preceding 4 weeks, but down 4 percent from a year earlier.

DAIRY PRODUCTS: The dairy products index declined seasonally 2 percent during the month to 304, as a result of sharply lower prices for fluid market milk in most areas of the country. Farmers received \$5.39 per cwt. for fluid market milk during April, 13 cents below the revised March price, but 24 cents above a year earlier. Partially offsetting the decline in fluid market milk prices was a contra-seasonal increase in average prices of manufacturing grade milk. The higher support price that went into effect on April 1 was responsible for this price advance. Manufacturing grade milk averaged \$4.19 per cwt. in April, up 14 cents from March, and 18 cents more than a year earlier. The index was 4 percent above April 1967.

POTATOES, SWEETPOTATOES, AND DRY EDIBLE BEANS: A sharp advance in potato prices during April together with an increase in sweetpotato prices lifted the index 14 percent to 189. Potatoes averaged \$1.77 per cwt. during April, 21 percent above the March average. Sweetpotato prices averaged 10 percent higher in mid-April than a month earlier. The index was 12 percent above April 1967.

FOOD GRAINS: A 4-percent decline in prices received by farmers for wheat was mainly responsible for a decrease of 3 percent in the food grains index during the month to 167. Wheat averaged \$1.36 per bushel in mid-April, down 6 cents from a month earlier. Rye prices averaged about 2 cents per bushel below mid-March, but the average price of rice increased 2 cents per cwt. Compared with April 1967, the index was 10 percent lower.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

The mid-April index of prices paid by farmers, at 309 percent of the 1910-14 base, was $2\frac{2}{3}$ percent higher than for the previous month. Prices of both family living and production items averaged higher. The index was 3 percent above a year earlier.

RURAL CONSUMER INDEX ADVANCES

The April 15 index of prices paid by farmers for items used in family living rose 3 points (1 percent) from mid-March to 333. Prices averaged higher for food and tobacco, clothing, building materials used in home construction and repairs, household furnishings, and autos and auto supplies. Prices for household operation items averaged unchanged. The index was 4 percent above April 15, 1967.

FOOD AND TOBACCO: Prices of food and tobacco purchased by farmers at mid-month averaged 1 percent above mid-March prices. All groups of food and tobacco items averaged higher, with vegetables, fruits, meats, and bread contributing most to the increase. Mid-April prices averaged 3 percent above a year earlier.

CLOTHING: In mid-April, prices paid by farm families for wearing apparel averaged 1 percent higher than in mid-March, and 7 percent above a year earlier. The largest increase in average prices from March was for women's clothing. Prices of yard goods averaged slightly lower.

BUILDING MATERIALS, HOUSE: Prices paid by farmers in mid-April for building materials used in the construction and repair of dwellings averaged $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent above a month earlier. Prices for all types of materials averaged higher, with framing lumber, household equipment, boards, and composition materials showing the largest change. Compared with a year earlier, prices averaged 7 percent higher.

PRODUCTION GOODS INDEX UP

The index of prices paid by farmers for production goods in mid-April, at 292, was $1\frac{1}{3}$ percent above the revised March index. Prices averaged higher for seeds, feeder livestock, building and fencing materials, and motor vehicles. Feed, fertilizer, motor supplies, and farm supplies averaged lower. The production goods index was $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent above a year earlier.

FEEDER LIVESTOCK: The April 15 index of prices paid by farmers for feeder livestock, at 398, was up $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent from the previous month. Higher average prices were reported for feeder cattle, baby chicks, feeder pigs and lambs, and replacement dairy cattle. Turkey poult prices averaged slightly lower. The index was 8 percent above the April 15, 1967, index.

MOTOR VEHICLES: Prices paid by farmers on April 15 for motor vehicles averaged $\frac{1}{2}$ percent above a month earlier, with increases for used cars, pickups, and trucks. Compared with a year earlier, prices averaged 7 percent higher.

FERTILIZER: The index of prices paid by farmers for fertilizer in mid-April, at 150, averaged $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent lower than when prices were last reported on September 15, 1967. Decreases in average prices were reported for anhydrous ammonia, ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate, and various mixed fertilizers. Limestone prices averaged slightly higher. The index was 3 percent below a year earlier.

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Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

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

Commodity and unit	Average		Apr.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
	Jan. 1910- Dec. 1914	Jan. 1957- Dec. 1959	15, 1967	15, 1968	15, 1968	15, 1968
Wheat, per bu.	Dol. .680	1.84	1.55	1.42	1.42	1.36
Rye, per bu.	.725	1.01	.996	.997	.985	.966
Rice (rough), per cwt.	1.81	4.87	1/5.13	1/5.29	1/5.35	1/5.37
Corn, per bu.	.649	1.10	1.26	1.06	1.06	1.06
Oats, per bu.	.399	.622	.680	.686	.687	.694
Barley, per bu.	.617	.892	1.02	.984	.971	.963
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	---	1.72	5/1.94	1.86	1.86	1.83
Hay, all, baled, per ton	11.90	19.10	24.10	23.90	23.60	22.90
Cotton, American upland, per lb.	Ct. 2/11.92	30.90	20.43	19.90	19.35	19.58
Cotton, American-Egyptian, per lb.	---	55.4	50.8	45.8	42.5	48.3
Cottonseed, per ton	Dol. 21.80	47.60	---	57.80	56.10	---
Soybeans, per bu.	---	2.09	2.71	2.57	2.57	2.56
Peanuts, per lb.	Ct. 4.83	10.6	11.2	11.3	11.5	11.4
Flaxseed, per bu.	Dol. 1.68	2.81	2.88	2.90	2.94	2.94
Potatoes, per cwt. 3/	1.13	1.71	1.75	1.59	1.46	1.77
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	1.61	4.30	6.04	6.43	6.76	7.46
Beans, dry edible, per cwt.	3.39	7.04	7.03	10.00	9.21	9.19
Peas, dry field (open mkt.), per cwt.	---	4.04	4.85	4.41	4.41	4.38
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 3/ 4/	Ct. ---	4.70	6.88	7.63	8.49	8.99
Peaches, for fresh use, per lb. 3/ 4/	---	5.56	---	---	---	---
Pears, for fresh use, per ton 3/ 4/	Dol. ---	73.30	97.00	131.00	156.00	180.00
Strawberries, for fresh use, per lb. 3/	Ct. ---	23.6	25.8	32.0	36.9	22.5
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box 3/	---	---	---	---	---	---
Grapefruit	Dol. ---	1.33	.42	1.81	1.81	1.67
Lemons	---	1.42	1.66	2.13	3.89	2.84
Limes	---	4.79	5.38	4.90	6.57	20.00
Oranges	---	2.62	.70	2.16	2.37	2.76
Tangelos	---	---	---	2.56	---	---
Tangerines	---	---	---	2.76	2.95	1.19
Hogs, per cwt.	7.29	17.30	17.00	18.90	18.50	18.60
All beef cattle, per cwt.	5.52	20.60	5/21.80	22.80	23.30	23.50
Cows, per cwt.	---	15.10	5/16.80	16.70	17.50	17.80
Steers and heifers, per cwt.	---	23.10	23.20	24.90	25.20	25.30
Calves, per cwt.	6.84	23.50	26.10	27.80	28.10	28.10
Sheep, per cwt.	4.59	6.48	5/6.48	6.74	6.99	7.07
Lambs, per cwt.	5.96	19.90	21.00	23.20	24.50	25.40
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. 26.3	60.1	5/66.1	66.2	66.2	66.5
All milk wholesale, per cwt. 3/	Dol. 1.61	4.19	5/4.79	5.20	5.08	6/5.01
Milk eligible for fluid market	---	4.71	5/5.15	5.66	5.52	5/5.39
Milk of manufacturing grade	---	3.22	4.01	4.08	4.05	5/4.19
Milk, retail, per quart 1/	Ct. 6.90	21.4	23.7	24.1	24.1	24.3
Chickens, all, live, per lb.	Dol. 11.5	17.1	5/13.2	13.9	14.0	13.5
Chickens, excluding broilers, live,	---	---	---	---	---	---
per lb.	---	13.2	5/8.5	5/8.0	5/8.1	8.4
Broilers, live, per lb. 3/	---	17.8	5/13.9	14.6	14.6	14.2
Turkeys, live, per lb.	14.3	24.0	5/19.3	17.5	17.9	18.8
Eggs, per dozen 8/	21.6	35.4	5/30.0	30.0	30.4	28.6
Wool, per lb. 3/ 9/	17.8	43.8	39.4	37.0	37.9	39.8
Mohair (Texas only), per lb.	---	80.0	5/49.0	43.0	46.0	45.0

Adjusted for seasonal variation
All milk, wholesale, per cwt. 3/ Dol. 4.19 5/5.10 5.10 5.13 10/5.33
Eggs, per dozen Ct. 1 35.7 5/31.2 28.8 30.1 29.8
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/ Revised. 6/ Prices are
preliminary. Fat test percent for all milk, 3.65; fluid market, 3.67; manufacturing grade, 3.63.
7/ Sold by farmers directly to consumers. 8/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers, including
hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail by farmers. 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 6,485 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 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		
		April 1967	March 1968	April 1968	April 1967	March 1968	April 1968
Basic Commodities:							
Cotton, per lb.							
American upland	Ct. 12.58	42.11	44.03	44.41	4/49	44	44
Extra long staple	" 5/21.1	74.3	73.8	74.5	—	—	—
Wheat, per bu.	Del. .744	2.59	2.60	2.63	60	55	52
Rice, per cwt.	" 1.95	6.79	6.82	6.88	—	—	—
Corn, per bu.	" .464	1.61	1.62	1.64	78	65	65
Peanuts, per lb.	Ct. 5/4.36	15.0	15.3	15.4	75	75	74
Tobacco, per lb.:							
Flue-cured, types 11-14	" 5/24.6	83.9	86.1	86.8	—	—	—
Va. fire-cured, type 21	" 5/15.7	54.2	55.0	55.4	—	—	—
Ky.-Tenn. fire-cured, types 22-23	" 6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burley, type 31	" 5/25.6	87.3	89.6	90.4	—	—	—
Maryland, type 32	" 7/22.8	79.5	79.8	80.5	60	—	78
Dark air-cured, types 35-36	" 5/14.8	50.5	51.8	52.2	—	—	—
Sun-cured, type 37	" 5/15.4	51.8	53.9	54.4	—	—	—
Pa. seedleaf, type 41	" 6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cigar filler and binder, types 42-44, 53-55	" 6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerto Rican filler, type 46	" 5/14.0	48.1	49.0	49.4	—	—	—
Cigar binder, types 51-52	" 6/	—	—	—	—	—	—
Designated Nonbasic Commodities:							
Tung nuts, per ton	Del. 5/27.30	93.10	95.60	96.40	—	—	—
Milkfat in cream, per lb.	Ct. 4/24.7	84.6	86.1	87.2	4/78	77	76
All milk, whole, per cwt.	Del. 1.73	5.90	6.06	6.11	8/86	8/85	8/87
Honey, wholesale, per lb.:							
Comb	Ct. 9/13.8	47.4	48.3	48.7	—	—	—
Extracted	" 9/5.72	19.9	20.0	20.2	—	—	—
Wool and Mohair:							
Wool, per lb.	" 25.1	86.3	87.8	88.6	4/10/46	10/43	10/43
Mohair, per lb.	" 33.0	115.0	116.0	116.0	—	—	—
Other Nonbasic Commodities:							
Barley, per bu.	Del. .382	1.31	1.34	1.35	78	72	71
Beans, dry edible, per cwt.	" 2.94	10.10	10.30	10.40	70	89	88
Cottonseed, per ton	" 5/19.60	67.50	68.60	69.20	—	82	—
Flaxseed, per bu.	" 1.14	3.96	3.99	4.02	73	74	73
Oats, per bu.	" .252	.873	.882	.890	78	78	78
Potatoes, per cwt.	" 5/6.16	2.84	2.86	2.88	4/62	51	61
Rye, per bu.	" .398	1.39	1.39	1.40	72	71	69
Sorghum grain, per cwt.	" .744	2.55	2.60	2.63	4/76	72	70
Soybeans, per bu.	" .960	3.27	3.36	3.39	83	76	76
Sweetpotatoes, per cwt.	" 1.96	6.65	6.86	6.92	4/91	99	109
Apples, for fresh use, per lb. 11/	Ct. 2.25 12/7.69	7.86	7.86	7.94	91	106	113
Citrus (equiv. on-tree), per box:							
Grapefruit	Del. 5/5.04	1.70	1.76	1.78	25	103	94
Lemons	" 5/7.60	2.50	2.66	2.68	66	146	106
Limes	" 5/1.34	4.33	4.69	4.73	124	140	423
Oranges	" 5/1.00	3.48	3.50	3.53	20	68	78
Tangerines	" 5/9.96	3.06	3.28	3.30	—	90	36
Beef cattle, per cwt.	" 8.36	20.30	29.30	29.50	4/77	80	80
Calves, per cwt.	" 9.72	32.60	34.00	34.30	80	83	82
All chickens, live, per lb.	Ct. 5.88	21.2	20.6	20.8	4/62	68	65
Eggs, per doz.	" 13.9	48.8	48.6	49.1	8/64	8/62	8/61
Hogs, per cwt.	Del. 7.00	24.10	24.50	24.70	71	76	75
Lambs, per cwt.	" 8.12	27.70	28.40	28.70	76	86	89
Sheep, per cwt.	" 2.47	8.52	8.64	8.72	4/76	81	81
Turkeys, live, per lb.	Ct. 4/8.96	31.7	31.5	31.6	3/61	57	59

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Parity prices based on data for April 1968, United States 1/

Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Adjusted base prices 2/	Parity prices based on data for April 1968 3/	Other Nonbasic Commodities (Continued)	Adjusted base prices 2/	Parity prices based on data for April 1968 3/
	Dol.	Dol.		Dol.	Dol.
Field Crops and Misc. Commodities:			Noncitrus Fruits:		
Castor beans, cwt.	2.11	7.45	Peaches		
Crude pine gum, bbl.	11.90	42.00	For fresh use, lb. 14/ .	4/0233	.0822
Hops, lb. ....	.192	.678	Dried (Calif.), ton ...	186.00	657.00
Tobacco, lb.:			For processing (excl. dried)		
Cigar wrapper, type 61	6/	—	Clingstone (Calif.),		
Cigar wrapper, type 62	6/	—	ton 13/	25.90	91.40
Noncitrus Fruits:			Pears		
Apples, for processing, ton	17.10	60.40	For fresh use, ton 15/	40.40	143.00
Apricots, ton			Dried (Calif.), ton	288.00	1,020.00
For fresh use	4/72.00	254.00	Plums (Calif.), equiv. on-tree, ton		
Dried (Calif.)	4/384.00	1,360.00	For fresh use	46.40	164.00
Avocados, ton 13/	6/	—	Prunes, dried (Calif.), ton	4/125.00	441.00
Cherries, ton			Prunes and Plums (Exo. Calif.), ton		
Sweet	134.00	473.00	For fresh use	59.60	210.00
Tart	69.20	244.00	For processing (ex. dried) 4/27.50		97.10
Cranberries, bbl. 13/ ...	6/	—	Tree Nuts, ton:		
Dates (Calif.), ton	54.80	193.00	Almonds	6/	—
Figs (Calif.), ton			Filberts	170.00	600.00
Dried	84.00	297.00	Walnuts	187.00	660.00
Grapes, ton			Vegetables for fresh market, cwt.:		
Raisin varieties dried (Calif.)	93.60	330.00	Cantaloupes	2.00	7.06
Grapes excl. raisin varieties dried	4/23.90	84.40	Carrots 16/	1.41	4.98
Nectarines (Calif.), ton			Cauliflower 16/	2.94	10.40
For fresh use 13/	46.80	165.00	Celery 16/	1.65	5.82
Olives (Calif.), for canning, ton 13/ ..	100.00	353.00	Green peas	4.24	15.00
			Honeydew melons	2.19	7.73
			Lettuce	1.73	6.11
			Onions 16/	1.33	4.69
			Tomatoes	3.30	11.60

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/ Revised. 5/ 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). 6/ Not available. 7/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived from 10 weighted calendar year prices 1958-67. 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 payment. 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/ Converted from \$3.48 per bu. 13/ Equivalent returns for bulk fruit at first delivery point. 14/ Based on prices for fresh peaches for important producing States and average price for all methods of sale for other States. 15/ 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. 16/ Includes some processing.

See Supplement No. 1, January 1968 AGRICULTURAL PRICES for details on parity price computations.

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

Index	1957-59		1910-14=100				1968	
	=100	Average	1967	1967	1967	1968	1968	1968
	April 1968	Jan. to Dec. 1959	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15
UNADJUSTED								
All Farm Products	107	242	252	250	245	258	259	259
All Crops	104	223	223	224	223	229	231	233
Food grains	79	212	179	189	185	173	173	167
Feed grains and hay	103	159	184	186	183	165	165	164
Feed grains	101	161	183	185	184	162	162	162
Cotton	64	261	175	173	173	168	164	166
Tobacco	116	485	561	561	558	560	559	561
Oil-bearing crops	118	229	286	288	286	272	271	270
Fruit	141	222	199	199	193	287	313	313
Fresh market 1/	143	228	191	192	186	291	323	326
Commercial vegetables	153	235	280	276	305	344	343	360
Fresh market	170	260	328	319	361	420	418	442
Potatoes, etc. 2/	116	163	212	192	169	178	166	189
Livestock & Products	109	258	276	272	264	282	283	282
Meat animals	113	308	328	323	319	342	345	348
Dairy products	118	257	306	300	291	314	309	304
Poultry & eggs	80	158	142	144	130	131	132	127
Wool	91	246	245	231	226	208	213	224
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
Fresh market fruit 1/	142	229	194	196	183	304	332	324
Fresh market vegetables	154	264	286	291	327	366	380	405
Potatoes, etc. 2/	108	163	218	191	157	181	165	176
Dairy products	125	257	301	303	307	309	312	321
Poultry & eggs	81	159	136	141	132	125	128	129

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, April 1-15, 1968, with comparisons

Commodity	Average	April	April	March	March	April
	Jan.-1957	1-15,	1-30,	1-15,	1-31,	1-15,
	to Dec.	1967	1967 1/	1968	1968	1968
	1959					
--- D O L L A R S ---						
Asparagus	16.30	19.20	18.50	25.90	22.10	17.60
Broccoli	8.37	12.20	12.10	9.97	10.40	10.40
Cabbage	2.47	3.05	2.95	3.84	3.50	3.20
Cantaloupes	4.64	---	8.80	---	---	---
Carrots	4.44	4.45	4.80	8.35	6.77	4.35
Cauliflower	6.90	10.40	10.60	12.00	11.60	10.80
Celery	3.92	3.45	3.85	4.03	3.97	5.04
Cucumbers	6.33	11.50	8.30	16.80	17.20	13.30
Green peppers	12.70	17.50	18.00	17.30	16.90	23.10
Lettuce	4.11	6.80	7.00	3.55	4.56	4.89
Onions	3.21	4.15	3.75	8.62	9.73	10.20
Snap beans	10.20	12.90	12.00	17.30	16.10	12.80
Spinach	6.24	9.40	8.50	10.40	10.50	8.52
Sweet corn	4.72	7.60	6.68	9.60	9.40	7.40
Tomatoes	8.59	10.90	9.90	13.10	13.20	18.60
Watermelons	1.65	5.20	2.80	---	---	---

1/ Revised.

Index numbers of Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates, and related data, United States, April 15, 1968, with comparisons

Indexes and ratios	1957-59=100				1910-14=100			
	Mar. 1968	Apr. 1968	Feb. 1967	Mar. 1967	Apr. 1967	Feb. 1968	Mar. 1968	Apr. 1968
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS								
Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	120	121	338	339	340	348	350	353
Prices Paid	113	114	300	300	1/300	306	1/307	309
Family living items	116	117	319	319	1/319	329	330	333
Food and tobacco	117	---	---	318	---	---	323	---
Clothing	128	---	---	392	---	---	415	---
Household operation	115	---	---	233	---	---	237	---
Household furnishings	100	---	---	261	---	---	268	---
Building materials, house	111	---	---	430	---	---	452	---
Autos and auto supplies	111	---	---	338	---	---	358	---
Production items	111	111	286	287	1/287	290	1/291	292
Feed	103	103	218	218	1/216	207	206	205
Feeder livestock	110	112	364	369	370	379	393	398
Motor supplies	107	---	---	180	---	---	184	---
Motor vehicles 2/	126	---	---	488	---	---	519	---
Farm machinery	133	---	---	454	---	---	476	---
Building & fencing materials	109	---	---	404	---	---	422	---
Fertilizer	3/100	98	---	3/152	154	---	3/152	150
Farm supplies	106	---	---	274	---	---	278	---
Seed	3/112	119	242	239	237	3/235	3/235	250
Interest 4/	273	273	463	463	1/463	500	500	500
Taxes 5/	193	193	896	896	1/896	956	956	956
Wage Rates 6/	150	157	799	799	849	870	870	912
PARITY RATIO 7/	---	---	75	74	72	74	74	73
ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO (Preliminary)	---	---	80	79	77	80	80	79
Production items, interest, taxes, and wage rates	122	123	353	353	1/356	363	1/364	367
Prices Received by Farmers	107	107	104	103	101	107	107	107
Wholesale prices: 8/								
All commodities	108	108	106	106	105	108	108	10/108
Industrial commodities	109	109	106	106	106	108	109	10/109
Prices Paid by Farmers, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates	120	121	115	116	116	119	120	121
Consumers' prices (CPI) 8/	120	---	115	115	115	119	120	---
Average hourly earnings, mfg. production workers 9/	140	---	132	132	132	139	140	---

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes autos, trucks, and tractors. 3/ Estimated unchanged since September 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. 10/ Preliminary.

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State and division	Wheat per bu.	Rye per bu.	Rice per cwt.	Corn per bu.	Oats per bu.	Barley per bu.	Sorghum grain per cwt.	Soybeans per bu.
D O L L A R S								
Maine	---	---	---	---	.85	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	---	---	---	.850	---	---	---
N. Y.	1.24	1.00	---	1.15	.84	.97	---	2.35
N. J.	1.29	1.05	---	1.22	.88	1.05	---	2.50
Pa.	1.28	1.02	---	1.20	.84	.98	---	2.50
M. Atl.	1.28	1.01	---	1.19	.840	.986	---	2.49
Ohio	1.28	1.00	---	1.04	.81	.88	---	2.58
Ind.	1.24	1.09	---	1.02	.79	.86	1.85	2.53
Ill.	1.32	.98	---	1.03	.71	.85	1.75	2.57
Mich.	1.20	.94	---	.98	.75	.90	---	2.55
Wis.	1.29	1.05	---	1.07	.72	1.06	---	2.50
M.N. Cent.	1.25	.998	---	1.03	.738	.987	1.81	2.58
Minn.	1.51	.98	---	1.02	.67	.99	---	2.54
Iowa	1.34	.95	---	1.05	.70	.90	1.78	2.54
Mo.	1.32	1.04	---	1.12	.80	1.00	1.88	2.56
N. Dak.	1.53	.86	---	1.02	.58	.91	---	2.45
S. Dak.	1.42	.92	---	1.08	.64	.93	1.76	2.50
Nebr.	1.28	.97	---	1.11	.71	.96	1.76	2.51
Kans.	1.27	.94	---	1.12	.76	1.01	1.81	2.50
W.N. Cent.	1.40	.896	---	1.07	.658	.935	1.78	2.54
Del.	1.24	1.25	---	1.14	.78	.97	---	2.48
Md.	1.23	1.20	---	1.12	.77	.95	---	2.48
Va.	1.33	1.40	---	1.23	.80	.99	1.95	2.56
W. Va.	1.45	---	---	1.29	.84	1.00	---	---
N. C.	1.42	1.50	---	1.21	.82	1.00	2.05	2.59
S. C.	1.40	1.70	---	1.26	.87	1.05	2.00	2.61
Ga.	1.35	2.25	---	1.27	.90	1.02	2.00	2.55
Fla.	---	---	---	1.25	.90	---	---	2.60
S. Atl.	1.33	1.87	---	1.21	.84	.981	2.04	2.59
Ky.	1.33	1.25	---	1.20	.81	.98	1.95	2.53
Tenn.	1.42	1.38	---	1.26	.89	1.08	2.05	2.59
Ala.	1.45	---	---	1.25	.89	---	1.95	2.60
Miss.	1.30	---	5.40	1.35	.82	---	1.95	2.60
E.S. Cent.	1.39	1.32	5.40	1.22	.839	.997	1.97	2.58
Ark.	1.31	---	5.30	1.30	.82	1.05	1.97	2.60
La.	1.43	---	5.50	1.34	.84	---	2.00	2.60
Okla.	1.32	1.02	---	1.29	.81	1.09	1.90	2.46
Tex.	1.33	1.15	5.30	1.33	.86	1.05	1.82	2.37
W.S. Cent.	1.32	1.08	5.36	1.33	.827	1.09	1.83	2.59
Mont.	1.27	.78	---	1.25	.67	.87	---	---
Idaho	1.34	1.15	---	1.29	.73	.96	---	---
Wyo.	1.15	1.01	---	1.14	.68	.99	---	---
Colo.	1.22	.95	---	1.18	.84	.96	1.82	---
N. Mex.	1.26	---	---	1.41	---	1.14	1.87	---
Ariz.	1.35	---	---	1.45	---	1.20	2.20	---
Utah	1.42	---	---	---	.83	1.10	---	---
Nev.	1.37	---	---	---	.85	1.10	---	---
Mount.	1.28	.998	---	1.21	.715	.923	1.91	---
Wash.	1.44	1.16	---	1.32	.88	1.03	---	---
Oreg.	1.42	1.15	---	1.40	.91	1.08	---	---
Calif.	1.38	---	---	1.48	.86	1.08	2.36	---
Pac.	1.43	1.16	---	1.40	.891	1.08	2.36	---
U. S.	1.36	.968	1/5.37	1.06	.694	.963	1.83	2.58

1/ Average for Mo., Miss., Ark., La., and Texas.

State	Winter wheat April 15, 1968	Spring wheat, other than durum April 15, 1968
Minn.	1.35	1.49
N. Dak.	1.25	1.45
S. Dak.	1.29	1.47
Mont.	1.20	1.40
Idaho	1.36	1.27
Colo.	1.22	1.21

Dollars per bushel

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State and division	American	Cotton	Pea	Flax	Beans	Tobacco	Apples	Sweet	Wool
	upland	seed	nuts	seed	dry	per lb.	fresh	potatoes	per
	cotton	per	per	per	edible	3/4/	use 4/5/	per	lb.
	per lb.	ton 1/	lb. 2/	bu.	per cwt.	Ct.	per lb.	cwt.	4/ 6/
	Ct.	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Dol.	Ct.
Maine	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.30	---	45
N. H.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.20	---	42
Vt.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.70	---	42
Mass.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.60	---	43
R. I.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	43
Conn.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.90	---	43
N. Eng.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.50	---	43
N. Y.	---	---	---	---	8.90	---	9.70	---	7/40
N. J.	---	---	---	---	---	---	8.52	8.10	---
Pa.	---	---	---	---	---	---	9.23	---	44
N. Atl.	---	---	---	---	8.90	---	9.51	8.10	8/42.5
Ohio	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.10	---	32
Ind.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	33
Ill.	---	---	---	---	---	---	5.40	---	34
Mish.	---	---	---	---	8.00	---	7.80	---	34
Wis.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	34
E. N. Cent.	---	---	---	---	8.00	---	7.66	---	32.9
Minn.	---	---	---	3.00	---	---	---	---	32
Iowa	---	---	---	2.99	---	---	---	---	33
Mo.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	34
N. Dak.	---	---	---	2.90	8.00	---	---	---	34
S. Dak.	---	---	---	2.97	---	---	---	---	36
Nebr.	---	---	---	---	7.80	---	---	---	36
Kans.	---	---	---	---	8.60	---	---	5.00	34
W. N. Cent.	---	---	---	2.94	7.84	---	---	5.00	34.4
Del.	---	---	---	---	---	---	8.20	---	---
Md.	---	---	---	---	---	63.0	8.40	5.40	---
Va.	---	---	11.5	---	---	---	7.00	6.00	---
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.00	---	---
N. C.	20.0	---	11.4	---	---	---	---	6.00	---
S. C.	23.0	---	12.0	---	---	---	---	6.30	---
Ge.	23.5	---	11.5	---	---	---	---	7.90	---
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
S. Atl.	23.17	---	11.5	---	---	63.0	7.20	6.36	---
Ky.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	38
Tenn.	20.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	5.60	---
Ala.	23.0	---	11.3	---	---	---	---	6.00	---
Miss.	21.5	---	22.0	---	---	---	---	5.00	---
E. S. Cent.	21.62	---	11.3	---	---	---	---	5.30	38.10
Ark.	20.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	5.80	34
La.	25.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.90	---
Okla.	18.0	---	10.9	---	---	---	---	---	29
Tex.	16.0	---	11.0	---	---	---	---	6.30	43
W. S. Cent.	17.40	---	11.0	---	---	---	---	7.50	42.6
Mont.	---	---	---	2.62	8.50	---	---	---	45
Idaho	---	---	---	---	9/8.10	---	---	---	44
Wyo.	---	---	---	---	8.50	---	---	---	40
Colo.	---	---	---	---	8.80	---	---	---	42
N. Mex.	20.0	---	14.5	---	8.60	---	---	---	41
Aris.	19.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	40
Utah	---	---	---	---	8.60	---	---	---	43
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	45
Mount.	19.37	---	14.5	2.62	8.48	---	---	---	42.1
Wash.	---	---	---	---	9.80	---	9.63	---	42
Oreg.	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.60	---	42
Calif.	22.5	---	---	---	14.60	---	6.20	12.50	39
Pac.	22.50	---	---	---	14.40	---	9.44	12.50	39.8
U. S.	19.58	---	11.4	2.94	9.19	63.0	8.99	7.46	39.8

1/ Insufficient sales. 2/ Average price by area shown on page 15. 3/ Prices by types shown on page 15. 4/ Average for the month. 5/ 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. 6/ Incentive payment not included. 7/ Correction: 1967 Annual average wool price published in Wool and Mohair, Production, Price, and Value—1967, on March 21, 1968 should be 42 cents per pound. 8/ Correction: 1967 Annual average wool price published in Wool and Mohair, Production, Price, and Value—1967, on March 21, 1968 should be 42.4 cents per pound. 9/ Excludes garden seed.

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State and division	Hogs	Cows 1/	Steers and heifers	Beef cattle 2/	Calves	Sheep	Lambs
Maine	17.50	18.10	21.30	18.50	26.40	6.70	23.60
N. H.	17.90	17.70	21.50	18.10	25.50	6.70	24.50
Vt.	18.10	16.50	19.60	16.80	23.60	6.70	24.50
Mass.	17.60	17.80	20.00	18.00	26.30	6.50	26.00
R. I.	17.90	17.50	20.40	17.70	26.50	6.50	26.00
Conn.	18.20	17.30	21.00	17.70	26.80	6.50	26.00
N. Eng.	17.70	17.30	20.40	17.60	25.10	6.65	24.70
N. Y.	19.00	17.80	23.00	18.50	29.20	7.60	24.50
N. J.	19.40	17.30	24.10	18.60	31.50	9.00	25.60
Pa.	19.40	17.60	25.20	20.60	34.40	7.20	27.50
M. Atl.	19.30	17.70	24.70	19.70	31.40	7.46	26.70
Ohio	19.30	17.80	24.90	22.90	34.00	7.10	24.50
Ind.	18.90	18.90	25.00	24.20	30.10	6.10	25.70
Ill.	18.60	18.50	25.00	24.10	28.00	6.00	24.50
Mich.	18.60	18.10	24.80	21.90	29.50	7.50	24.50
Wis.	18.50	17.90	22.60	19.30	30.80	6.00	24.50
E. N. Cent.	18.60	18.10	24.60	22.80	31.10	6.46	24.70
Minn.	18.60	18.90	25.30	23.50	30.90	6.50	26.80
Iowa	18.80	18.80	26.10	25.20	28.20	6.80	25.50
Mo.	18.70	17.80	25.50	24.20	27.40	6.70	25.50
N. Dak.	18.20	17.70	24.80	23.30	29.40	6.50	25.30
S. Dak.	18.50	17.40	25.70	24.10	29.10	5.80	25.70
Nebr.	18.50	18.20	25.90	25.20	28.40	5.90	26.80
Kans.	18.30	17.80	25.00	23.70	26.70	6.10	27.30
W. N. Cent.	18.70	18.20	25.60	24.40	28.60	6.32	26.10
Del.	18.90	18.50	24.40	18.80	32.20	6.50	25.50
Md.	18.90	16.90	24.50	19.80	34.10	6.50	25.50
Va.	18.40	16.50	22.00	19.40	32.00	6.00	25.20
W. Va.	18.80	16.30	23.20	20.20	31.50	5.60	24.70
N. C.	17.70	17.90	21.80	19.60	29.90	5.80	23.50
S. C.	17.00	17.50	22.50	19.80	26.80	---	---
Ga.	16.90	16.80	22.50	20.00	25.50	---	---
Fla.	16.50	18.50	24.40	22.60	26.50	---	---
S. Atl.	17.50	17.30	23.10	20.50	28.20	5.85	25.00
Ky.	18.10	18.80	23.50	21.70	32.00	7.00	24.00
Tenn.	18.10	16.50	23.50	20.90	30.50	7.00	23.00
Ala.	17.10	18.10	24.30	22.10	27.20	---	---
Miss.	17.60	17.30	23.70	20.50	26.00	---	---
N. S. Cent.	17.60	17.20	23.60	21.30	26.20	7.00	23.80
Ark.	18.40	17.10	23.80	21.30	26.70	7.00	23.80
La.	17.90	17.50	24.40	20.40	25.90	8.50	21.00
Okla.	18.10	17.40	24.80	23.30	27.70	8.00	26.10
Tex.	18.20	17.90	25.40	22.60	27.20	10.50	25.00
W. S. Cent.	18.20	17.70	25.10	22.60	27.00	10.40	25.10
Mont.	18.10	18.70	24.70	23.80	28.70	5.70	24.50
Idaho	18.70	18.00	25.40	23.10	29.50	5.70	24.10
Wyo.	18.20	18.20	24.40	23.20	28.70	6.00	24.50
Colo.	19.30	16.30	25.50	25.00	29.30	5.50	27.00
N. Mex.	18.50	16.50	24.60	23.90	27.70	8.40	25.00
Ariz.	19.20	17.00	25.40	25.10	26.00	7.00	27.00
Utah	18.40	17.00	25.00	22.10	28.60	6.50	25.00
Nev.	17.90	17.00	24.00	21.50	27.50	5.50	22.50
Mount.	18.70	17.30	25.20	24.30	28.20	6.13	25.30
Wash.	19.20	17.00	24.70	21.90	29.30	6.00	23.50
Oreg.	19.30	16.90	25.70	22.90	27.60	5.20	26.80
Calif.	18.80	17.40	26.00	25.30	28.60	5.70	24.70
Pac.	19.10	17.20	25.90	24.70	28.40	5.56	25.10
48 States	18.60	17.80	25.30	23.50	28.10	7.07	25.40
Hawaii	34.20	14.80	24.00	21.20	---	---	---
U. S.	18.60	17.80	25.30	23.50	28.10	7.07	25.40

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.

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Average prices received by farmers, by States and geographic divisions, March and April 1968

State and division	Milk, wholesale, price per cwt., March 1968						April 1968			
	Eligible for fluid market 1/		Manufacturing grade		All Milk		All milk per cwt.	Milkfat in cream: per lb.	Milk cows: per head 2/	
	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Price	Fat test	Dol.	Ct.	Dol.	
Maine	6.15	3.83			6.15	3.83	6.00		285	
N. H.	5.90	3.89			5.90	3.89	5.70		300	
Vt.	5.65	3.82			5.65	3.82	5.45		280	
Mass.	6.05	3.74			6.05	3.74	5.90		310	
R. I.	6.10	3.74			6.10	3.74	5.95		320	
Conn.	6.15	3.77			6.15	3.77	6.00		320	
N. Eng.	5.89	3.80			5.89	3.80	5.71		294	
N. Y.	5.15	3.61	3/	3/	5.15	3.61	5.00	56	320	
N. J.	5.55	3.69			5.55	3.69	5.35		360	
Pa.	5.75	3.78	4.05	3.67	5.70	3.78	5.60	54	330	
M. Atl.	5.39	3.68	4.05	3.67	5.37	3.68	5.24	54.6	326	
Ohio	5.60	3.81	4.19	3.90	5.60	3.82	5.45	49	255	
Ind.	5.60	3.81	4.25	3.93	5.35	3.83	5.10	50	285	
Ill.	5.00	3.70	4.00	3.70	4.70	3.70	4.65	57	260	
Mich.	5.75	3.71	4.20	3.79	5.55	3.72	5.45	64	295	
Wisc.	4.70	3.70	4.15	3.68	4.39	3.69	4.48	70	300	
E. S. Cent.	5.25	3.73	4.15	3.71	4.83	3.72	4.80	58.8	288	
Minn.	4.43	3.62	3.99	3.48	4.06	3.50	4.21	72	285	
Iowa	4.98	3.69	4.06	3.62	4.27	3.64	4.33	70	270	
Mo.	5.25	3.70	3.95	3.87	4.60	3.78	4.55	63	220	
N. Dak.	4.70	3.53	3.80	3.57	4.15	3.55	4.10	70	240	
S. Dak.	5.00	3.62	4.00	3.57	4.15	3.58	4.20	68	240	
Nebr.	5.25	3.68	3.90	3.65	4.45	3.66	4.35	62	245	
Kans.	5.60	3.63	4.00	3.73	5.10	3.66	4.95	61	255	
W. S. Cent.	4.98	3.65	4.00	3.56	4.25	3.58	4.33	68.2	262	
Del.	6.00	3.74			5.90	3.74	5.75		265	
Md.	6.10	3.77			6.10	3.77	5.90		265	
Va.	6.40	3.77	4.00	3.89	6.05	3.79	5.90	49	200	
W. Va.	6.15	3.80			6.00	3.81	5.90	48	190	
N. C.	6.80	3.84	3.95	4.15	6.70	3.85	6.50		175	
S. C.	6.85	3.99			6.75	3.99	6.50		190	
Ga.	6.45	3.84			6.45	3.84	6.35		200	
Fla.	6.75	3.72			6.75	3.72	6.65		225	
S. Atl.	6.49	3.79	4/4.05	3/3.95	6.39	3.80	6.23	48.8	210	
Ky.	5.65	3.78	4.00	3.85	5.00	3.81	4.65	48	215	
Tenn.	6.15	3.83	3.90	4.05	5.40	3.90	5.15		190	
Ala.	6.90	3.85	3.90	4.10	6.80	3.86	6.75		190	
Miss.	6.20	3.92	4.05	4.04	5.90	3.94	5.65		180	
E. S. Cent.	6.13	3.84	3.97	3.94	5.52	3.87	5.24	48.0	197	
Ark.	6.30	3.65	3.90	3.81	5.55	3.70	5.40		195	
La.	6.55	3.82			6.55	3.82	6.30		210	
Okla.	5.50	3.61	3.95	3.80	5.35	3.63	5.15	56	220	
Tex.	6.15	3.66			6.15	3.66	6.05	51	235	
W. S. Cent.	6.10	3.68	3.92	3.81	5.99	3.68	5.83	55.5	221	
Mont.	5.40	3.66	3.40	3.69	5.20	3.66	5.05	65	270	
Idaho	4.85	3.83	4.00	3.69	4.20	3.73	4.25	62	270	
Wyo.	5.65	3.61			5.10	3.62	5.00	60	250	
Colo.	5.85	3.62	3.85	3.87	5.80	3.63	5.65	60	240	
N. Mex.	5.85	3.61			5.85	3.61	5.75		240	
Ariz.	6.00	3.55			6.00	3.55	5.80		260	
Utah	5.35	3.65	3.90	3.53	4.95	3.62	4.85	59	270	
Nev.	5.70	3.65			5.70	3.65	5.60	63	255	
Mount.	5.62	3.64	4/3.96	3/3.67	5.10	3.65	5.00	62.8	259	
Wash.	5.40	3.80	3.65	4.25	5.40	3.80	5.30	67	270	
Oreg.	5.55	3.96	4.15	4.18	5.20	4.01	5.15	69	260	
Calif. 5/	5.10	3.63	4.00	3.75	5.00	3.64	4.95	71	320	
Pa.	5.18	3.68	4.02	3.84	5.08	3.70	5.02	68.5	305	
48 States	5.52	3.72	4.05	3.65	5.07	3.70	5.01	66.5	270	
Hawaii	9.08	3.51			9.08	3.51	9.00		270	
U. S.	5.52	3.72	4/4.05	3/3.65	5.08	3.70	5.01	66.5	270	

1/ Includes surplus diverted to manufacturing. 2/ Mid-month price. 3/ Price and test discontinued effective this month. 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, 1968

State and division	Turkeys	Chickens, excluding broilers	Broilers	All chickens	Eggs	Seeds, per owt.				
	per lb.	per lb.	per lb. 1/	per lb.	per doz. 2/	Alfalfa	Red clover	Sweet clover	Timothy	Lespedeza
	CENTS					DOLLARS				
Maine	---	9.0	3/15.0	14.3	35.0	---	---	---	---	---
N. H.	29.0	9.5	15.0	11.8	38.0	---	---	---	---	---
Vt.	---	9.5	15.5	10.0	33.0	---	---	---	---	---
Mass.	---	9.5	15.5	13.2	40.0	---	---	---	---	---
R. I.	---	9.5	15.5	12.6	41.0	---	---	---	---	---
Conn.	32.0	9.5	16.0	13.7	42.0	---	---	---	---	---
N. Eng.	31.5	9.3	15.1	14.0	38.2	---	---	---	---	---
N. Y.	---	8.0	22.0	11.4	29.0	---	---	---	---	---
N. J.	31.0	6.5	24.0	10.1	31.0	---	---	---	---	---
Pa.	26.0	12.0	16.0	14.7	32.0	---	---	---	---	---
M. Atl.	26.7	10.3	16.6	13.9	30.8	---	---	---	---	---
Ohio	19.0	8.5	15.5	12.5	27.9	---	24.00	6.10	6.70	---
Ind.	---	6.0	15.5	12.0	28.6	---	24.00	---	---	13.50
Ill.	19.0	6.5	14.5	16.8	24.0	---	26.00	---	---	12.00
Mich.	20.0	8.5	17.5	10.5	30.0	---	24.00	---	---	---
Wis.	17.0	6.5	15.0	12.5	26.0	---	26.00	---	---	---
E. W. Cent.	17.6	7.1	15.4	11.8	27.4	---	24.80	6.10	6.70	12.80
Minn.	14.0	4.5	---	11.1	23.0	---	27.00	5.60	6.50	---
Iowa	15.0	4.0	---	7.1	20.0	---	28.50	---	6.20	---
Mo.	18.0	6.0	15.0	12.3	20.5	---	26.00	---	8.00	14.00
N. Dak.	---	4.5	---	4.5	22.0	---	---	6.00	---	---
S. Dak.	---	4.0	---	4.0	19.8	35.00	---	5.50	---	---
Nebr.	---	3.5	15.0	7.3	19.3	32.00	---	6.50	---	---
Kans.	---	5.0	16.0	7.9	21.7	31.50	28.00	5.50	---	11.00
W. N. Cent.	14.7	4.8	4/15.4	10.6	20.8	32.90	27.70	5.73	6.71	12.60
Del.	18.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	42.5	---	---	---	---	---
Md.	19.0	9.5	15.0	14.9	35.0	---	---	---	---	12.40
Va.	19.0	11.0	15.5	14.6	30.0	---	---	---	---	---
W. Va.	19.0	11.0	15.0	14.6	35.0	---	---	---	---	18.30
N. C.	20.0	11.5	14.5	14.3	34.0	---	---	---	---	20.90
S. C.	20.0	10.5	13.5	12.7	33.5	---	---	---	---	26.70
Ga.	20.0	8.5	3/13.5	13.2	33.5	---	---	---	---	---
Fla.	21.0	6.5	13.5	11.3	28.0	---	---	---	---	---
S. Atl.	19.5	9.6	14.2	13.9	32.6	---	---	---	---	24.10
Ky.	---	11.0	14.0	13.6	27.0	---	32.00	---	---	17.50
Tenn.	---	10.0	3/15.0	14.6	32.0	---	---	---	---	19.20
Ala.	---	9.0	3/13.0	12.9	32.5	---	---	---	---	---
Miss.	---	9.0	3/13.0	12.7	35.0	---	---	---	---	---
E. S. Cent.	---	9.2	13.2	13.0	32.7	---	32.00	---	---	18.20
Ark.	21.0	10.0	3/13.5	13.2	32.5	---	---	---	---	19.00
La.	---	7.0	13.5	13.0	34.5	---	---	---	---	---
Okla.	18.0	8.5	13.5	12.8	27.0	33.00	---	---	---	---
Tex.	18.0	8.0	14.5	13.8	31.0	---	---	13.50	---	---
W. S. Cent.	18.7	9.1	13.8	13.4	31.7	33.00	---	13.50	---	19.00
Mont.	---	10.5	---	10.5	32.0	35.20	---	---	---	---
Idaho	---	6.5	17.0	16.0	30.0	39.60	28.30	---	---	---
Wyo.	---	11.0	---	11.0	34.0	---	---	---	---	---
Colo.	---	10.5	18.0	12.5	28.0	37.20	---	---	---	---
N. Mex.	---	9.0	---	9.0	35.0	---	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	---	4.0	---	7.2	22.0	44.00	---	---	---	---
Utah	18.0	5.0	17.0	13.4	27.0	37.60	---	---	---	---
Nev.	---	5.5	---	5.5	27.0	40.00	---	---	---	---
Mount.	18.0	6.0	4/17.0	13.8	28.5	38.80	28.30	---	---	---
Wash.	---	4.5	18.0	16.4	25.5	38.50	34.50	---	---	---
Oreg.	18.0	4.0	18.5	16.3	30.0	39.50	30.00	---	---	---
Calif.	20.0	6.0	17.5	14.3	23.2	40.50	---	---	---	---
Pac.	20.0	5.7	17.8	15.0	23.8	40.00	31.50	---	---	---
48 States	18.8	8.2	14.2	13.5	28.6	38.90	27.30	6.14	6.71	19.60
Hawaii	---	13.0	32.0	26.8	42.3	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	18.8	8.2	4/14.2	13.5	28.6	38.90	27.30	6.14	6.71	19.60

1/ Average for the month. 2/ Average of all eggs sold by farmers including hatching eggs and eggs sold at retail by farmers. 3/ Liveweight equivalent price. 4/ W. N. Cent. Division includes price for Minn. and Iowa, Mount. Division includes price for Ariz., and U. S. price includes these States.

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

State and division	Hay, baled						
	All 1/	Alfalfa	Clover-timothy	Lespedeza	Peanut-vine	Wild	
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
Maine	24.30	32.50	24.00	---	---	---	
N. H.	27.80	33.50	27.00	---	---	---	
Vt.	23.80	28.50	22.50	---	---	---	
Mass.	32.70	39.50	31.00	---	---	---	
R. I.	35.90	41.50	34.50	---	---	---	
Conn.	35.70	42.00	33.50	---	---	---	
N. Eng.	26.50	32.70	25.60	---	---	---	
N. Y.	23.90	25.50	23.00	---	---	---	
N. J.	31.50	34.00	28.50	---	---	---	
Pa.	28.50	32.50	25.50	---	---	---	
M. Atl.	26.00	28.40	24.30	---	---	---	
Ohio	27.40	29.50	25.00	---	---	---	
Ind.	26.70	28.50	23.50	---	---	---	
Ill.	22.20	23.00	21.00	---	---	---	
Mich.	23.90	24.00	20.50	---	---	---	
Wis.	19.50	20.00	19.00	---	---	---	
E. N. Cent.	22.20	22.50	21.80	---	---	---	
Minn.	21.00	21.50	19.00	---	---	18.00	
Iowa	19.70	20.50	18.00	---	---	---	
Mo.	21.50	23.50	20.50	18.50	---	---	
N. Dak.	16.50	16.50	---	---	---	13.50	
S. Dak.	18.40	19.50	---	---	---	16.50	
Nebr.	18.90	19.00	---	---	---	19.00	
Kans.	20.30	22.00	19.00	19.00	---	17.00	
W. N. Cent.	19.70	20.70	19.30	18.60	---	18.70	
Dal.	33.40	38.00	32.00	---	---	---	
Md.	31.50	36.00	28.50	---	---	---	
Va.	33.00	40.00	34.00	34.00	28.00	---	
W. Va.	32.30	39.50	31.00	---	---	---	
N. C.	30.10	38.50	30.00	31.50	23.50	---	
S. C.	31.70	---	---	32.50	---	---	
Ge.	30.00	36.50	---	31.50	24.00	---	
Fla.	34.40	---	---	---	28.00	---	
S. Atl.	31.90	38.20	31.60	32.40	25.00	---	
Ky.	27.70	31.50	26.50	24.00	---	---	
Tenn.	27.50	32.50	29.50	25.50	---	---	
Ala.	27.20	36.00	28.50	29.00	21.00	---	
Miss.	23.50	28.50	25.50	26.00	---	---	
E. S. Cent.	26.90	31.60	27.50	25.10	21.00	---	
Ark.	23.70	30.00	24.50	26.50	---	---	
La.	22.40	28.00	---	25.50	---	---	
Okla.	23.80	29.00	---	21.00	20.00	18.00	
Texas	26.00	34.00	---	---	28.00	---	
W. S. Cent.	24.60	30.30	24.50	24.80	24.40	18.00	
Mont.	21.00	21.00	21.50	---	---	21.00	
Idaho	17.00	17.00	17.00	---	---	15.50	
Wyo.	19.50	19.50	18.00	---	---	21.00	
Colo.	26.00	25.50	31.00	---	---	27.50	
N. Mex.	34.00	35.00	---	---	---	---	
Ariz.	27.70	28.00	---	---	---	---	
Utah	21.50	22.00	21.00	---	---	18.00	
Nev.	23.00	24.00	21.50	---	---	19.50	
Mount.	22.20	22.30	22.50	---	---	21.50	
Wash.	23.50	24.50	22.50	---	---	18.00	
Oreg.	24.00	24.50	22.50	---	---	19.00	
Calif.	26.50	27.00	---	---	---	20.00	
Pac.	25.50	26.20	22.50	---	---	19.10	
U. S.	22.90	23.20	23.60	24.70	24.20	19.90	

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 1968

State	Dollars	State	Dollars
Maine	1.30	North Carolina	—
Massachusetts	1.90	Florida	4.18
Rhode Island	—	Alabama	—
Connecticut	1.90	Texas	—
New York-All	1.93	Montana	2.40
Long Island	1.30	Idaho	1.68
Upstate	2.30	Wyoming	1.00
New Jersey	—	Colorado	1.90
Pennsylvania	2.35	New Mexico	—
Ohio	—	Arizona	—
Indiana	2.00	Utah	2.35
Michigan	2.10	Washington	1.40
Wisconsin	2.40	Oregon	1.75
Minnesota	1.65	California-All	2.40
North Dakota	1.55	Winter 1968	2.05
South Dakota	1.30	Late Spring	2.65
Nebraska	1.05	Early Summer	—
Delaware	—	Late Summer	—
Maryland	—	Fall 1967	2.50
Virginia	—		
		United States	1.77

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

Area	Peanuts		Class	Type	Tobacco	
	April 15, 1967	April 15, 1968 1/			April 1967	April 1968 1/
	Cents				Cents	
Virginia-Carolina	11.6	11.4	Southern Maryland	32	48.0	63.0
Southeast	11.0	11.5				
Southwest	11.0	11.0				
United States	11.2	11.4				

1/ Prices by States are shown on page 10.

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

	April 1967	March 1968	April 1968
Parity equivalent	Dol. per cwt. : 4.64	4.79	4.83
Average price - f.o.b. plants ...	Dol. per cwt. : 4.01	4.05	2/4.19
Average fat test of milk	Percent : 3.65	3.65	2/3.63

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 milk-fat 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.

Notes: In April 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 \$4.19 per cwt. for milk with an average fat content of 3.65 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, April 1968

Commodity and State	F.O.B. packed fresh	Equivalent returns per box 1/					
		Packinghouse-door		On-tree		Process.	
		All	Fresh	Process.	All	Fresh	Process.
D O L L A R S							
ORANGES:							
Florida	5.00	3.04	3.32	2.98	2.41	2.70	2.34
Temple	5.00	2.56	3.10	1.75	1.93	2.48	1.11
Other Early and Mids.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	5.00	3.05	3.34	3.00	2.42	2.72	2.36
Texas	4.20	2.28	2.39	1.70	1.83	1.94	1.25
Arizona	8.50	5.79	6.90	1.40	5.24	6.35	.85
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	8.50	5.79	6.90	1.40	5.24	6.35	.85
California	7.91	4.34	5.65	.84	3.32	4.63	-.16
Navels and Misc.	8.60	4.38	6.34	.46	3.48	5.44	-.44
Valencias	7.50	4.31	5.24	1.22	3.21	4.14	.12
California-Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Navels and Misc.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valencias	---	---	---	---	---	5.03	---
U. S.	7.27	3.45	4.86	2.79	2.76	4.09	2.13
GRAPEFRUIT:							
Florida	5.07	2.31	3.01	1.99	1.74	2.47	1.40
White Seedless	5.00	2.49	2.97	2.00	1.93	2.43	1.41
Pink Seedless	6.00	3.19	3.66	1.75	2.64	3.12	1.16
Other than Seedless	4.00	2.02	2.26	2.00	1.43	1.72	1.41
Texas	4.75	2.13	2.22	1.65	1.78	1.87	1.30
Arizona	3.70	1.82	2.25	.95	1.37	1.80	.50
California	4.60	1.80	3.00	.30	1.32	2.52	-.18
Desert Valleys	4.60	1.80	3.00	.30	1.32	2.52	-.18
Other Areas	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California-Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Desert Valleys	---	---	---	---	---	2.17	---
U. S.	4.67	2.21	2.83	1.81	1.67	2.33	1.24
LEMONS:							
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	8.40	4.04	6.06	1.34	2.84	4.86	.14
U. S.	8.40	4.04	6.06	1.34	2.84	4.86	.14
LIMES:							
Florida	30.00	21.60	27.50	1.90	20.00	25.90	.30
TANGELOS:							
Florida	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
TANGERINES:							
Florida	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arizona	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
California	4.80	2.08	2.92	.26	1.19	2.08	-.58
U. S.	4.80	2.03	2.92	.26	1.19	2.08	-.58

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, April 15, 1968 with comparisons ^{1/}

Commodity-Feed Price Ratio	Average		April 15, 1967	March 15, 1968	April 15, 1968
	1962-66	60 months			
Hog-corn: Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 lbs. of hog, liveweight					
United States	2/15.7	3/15.0	13.5	17.5	17.5
North Central States	2/16.1	3/15.4	13.7	17.9	18.0
Egg-feeds: Pounds of poultry feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs ^{4/}	10.0	9.7	6.8	7.5	7.2
Broiler-feeds: Pounds of broiler grower mash equal in value to 1 lb. broiler, liveweight ^{5/}	3.1	3.1	8/3.0	3.2	3.2
Turkey-feeds: Pounds of poultry feed equal in value to 1 lb. turkey, liveweight ^{6/}	6.3	6.5	4.2	4.1	4.3
Milk-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. whole milk ^{5/}	1.41	1.34	1.46	1.62	7/ 1.61
Milkfat-feed: Pounds concentrate ration equal in value to 1 lb. milkfat in cream ^{5/}	24.0	8/23.7	23.6	25.0	7/25.0
Value of concentrate ration fed milk cows ^{5/}					
In milk selling areas, dollars per cwt.	3.04	3.02	3.26	3.13	7/ 3.11
In cream selling areas, dollars per cwt.	2.56	2.55	2.78	2.65	7/2.66
In milk and cream selling areas, dollars per cwt.	3.02	3.00	3.25	3.12	7/3.11

^{1/} Long-time average comparisons published in Supplement No. 1 to the May 1967 issue of AGRICULTURAL PRICES.

^{2/} 1957-66 120-month average.

^{3/} 1957-66 average.

^{4/} Beginning January 1967, pounds of laying feed equal in value to 1 dozen eggs.

^{5/} Milk and broiler prices and values of dairy concentrate ration are monthly averages.

^{6/} Beginning January 1967, pounds of turkey grower feed equal in value to 1 lb. turkey liveweight.

^{7/} Preliminary.

^{8/} Revised.

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

Region	Milk-feed Ratio ^{1/}			Milkfat-feed Ratio ^{1/}			Ration Value ^{2/}		
	April 1967	March 1968	April 1968 ^{3/}	April 1967	March 1968	April 1968 ^{3/}	April 1967	March 1968	April 1968 ^{3/}
N. Atl.	1.31	1.51	1.48	—	—	—	3.84	3.62	3.61
E. N. Cent.	1.49	1.65	1.65	19.2	20.3	20.2	3.06	2.93	2.91
W. N. Cent.	1.53	1.67	1.68	24.8	26.5	26.5	2.72	2.55	2.57
S. Atl.	1.63	1.84	1.80	—	—	—	3.68	3.48	3.47
S. Cent.	1.53	1.73	1.67	16.4	16.0	16.6	3.42	3.32	3.31
West.	1.45	1.53	1.54	19.1	19.5	19.7	3.39	3.32	3.27

^{1/} Pounds of concentrate ration equal in value to 1 pound wholesale milk or milkfat in cream, respectively.

^{2/} Value per 100 pounds of concentrate rations fed to milk cows.

^{3/} Preliminary.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, April 1968

Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

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

Commodity and unit	1967			1968			
	Average: 1963-65	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15
	--- Dollars ---						
Alfalfa hay, baled, per ton	32.8	35.9	36.0	35.6	34.2	34.1	33.3
Other hay, baled, per ton	32.0	34.0	33.5	33.4	32.6	32.4	31.8
Cottonseed meal, 41 pct., 100 lb.	4.53	5.46	5.42	3/5.37	5.28	5.27	5.25
Soybean meal, 44 pct., 100 lb.	4.91	5.51	5.45	5.35	5.24	5.22	5.21
Bran, per 100 lb.	3.15	3.80	3.72	3.70	3.58	3.56	3.52
Middlings, per 100 lb.	3.23	3.86	3.78	3.79	3.65	3.63	3.59
Corn meal, per 100 lb.	3.25	3.52	3.49	3.52	3.22	3.20	3.19
Laying feed "complete feed" per ton 1/2/	---	88	88	88	82	81	80
Broiler grower feed, per ton 1/	---	95	95	94	90	90	89
Turkey grower, "complete feed", per ton 1/2/	---	93	92	92	88	88	88
Chick starter feed, per ton 1/	---	99	99	97	94	94	93
Dairy feed							
14 pct. protein, per ton 1/	---	70	70	70	68	69	68
16 pct. protein, per ton 1/	---	77	76	76	74	73	72
18 pct. protein, per ton 1/	---	79	78	78	77	76	76
20 pct. protein, per ton 1/	---	86	84	83	79	78	79
32 pct. protein, per ton	---	---	---	---	100	99	99
40 pct. and over, per ton	---	---	---	---	109	108	108
Hog feed, 14-18 pct., 100 lb.	4.23	4.60	4.55	4.61	4.44	4.38	4.37
Hog feed, over 29 pct., 100 lb.	5.85	6.50	6.40	6.33	6.25	6.20	6.20
Cattle feed, 30% and over, 100 lb.	4.59	4.97	5.00	4.96	4.80	4.78	4.82

INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)

Feed, prices paid by farmers	205	218	218	3/216	207	206	205
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1/ 1967 prices revised to reflect proportions sold in bulk and sacked and quantity price discounts. Revisions by States published in Supplement No. 3, AGRICULTURAL PRICES, January 1968. Revisions for 1963-66 to be published May 1968. 2/ Beginning January 1968 "Complete" ration feed specified which is fed without further mixing or supplementation. No specifications as to "completeness" made prior to January 1968 and quotations usually reflected the higher prices of higher protein feeds requiring supplementation. 3/ Revised.

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

Commodity and unit	1967			1968			
	Average: 1957-59	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15
Feeders and stockers:							
Cattle and calves, 100 lb. Dol.	23.1	23.9	24.2	24.1	25.2	26.0	26.3
Lambs, per 100 lb. "	20.7	19.9	20.0	19.2	21.7	24.2	24.5
Pigs, per 100 lb. 1/ "	18.5	33.7	33.5	33.2	32.9	33.6	34.5
Baby chicks, per 100 "	13.0	11.8	12.2	12.9	11.4	12.0	12.3
Started pullets, each "	---	1.68	1.68	1.68	1.67	1.66	1.66
Turkey poults, each Ct.	59.0	58.2	57.3	57.9	56.5	56.9	56.6
All livestock	357	364	369	370	379	393	398

INDEX NUMBERS (1910-14=100)

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.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, April 1968

Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

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

State and division	Bran	Middlings	Cottonseed	Soybean	Corn	Hog feed		Beef cattle
			meal 41% protein	meal 44% protein		Meal 14-18% protein	Over 29% protein	concentrate, 30% and over protein
D O L L A R S								
Maine	3.85	3.90	5.90	5.30	3.75	4.45	---	---
N. H.	3.70	---	5.90	5.30	3.60	4.30	---	---
Vt.	3.80	3.90	5.90	5.40	3.70	4.40	---	---
Mass.	3.75	3.85	5.90	5.30	3.75	4.30	---	---
R. I.	3.75	3.85	---	---	3.75	---	---	---
Conn.	3.85	---	5.90	5.30	3.70	4.45	---	---
N. Eng.	3.80	3.86	5.90	5.34	3.71	4.39	---	---
N. Y.	3.50	3.70	5.70	5.30	3.35	4.35	6.00	5.10
N. J.	3.85	---	6.00	5.60	3.55	4.30	---	5.40
Pa.	3.55	3.70	5.70	5.30	3.30	4.25	6.00	4.95
M. Atl.	3.56	3.70	5.72	5.33	3.35	4.30	6.00	5.01
Ohio	3.80	3.85	5.90	5.50	2.75	4.45	6.40	5.60
Ind.	3.80	3.85	5.80	5.40	2.50	4.20	6.30	5.40
Ill.	3.75	3.75	5.60	5.20	2.75	5.00	6.40	5.10
Mich.	3.75	3.85	5.80	5.40	2.80	4.15	6.40	5.30
W. G.	3.35	3.50	5.70	5.20	2.70	4.20	6.50	5.40
E. N. Cent.	3.57	3.75	5.78	5.32	2.69	4.40	6.40	5.28
Minn.	3.35	3.35	5.50	4.90	2.55	4.50	6.30	4.95
Iowa	3.60	3.65	5.60	5.10	2.35	4.95	6.30	5.20
Mo.	3.10	3.10	5.20	4.95	2.75	4.15	5.80	4.75
N. Dak.	3.20	3.40	---	5.30	2.50	---	---	---
S. Dak.	3.60	3.60	5.50	5.20	2.50	---	---	---
Nebr.	3.40	3.40	5.40	5.10	2.60	4.45	6.20	4.70
Kans.	2.95	2.95	5.00	4.85	2.70	4.30	5.70	4.35
W. N. Cent.	3.24	3.39	5.29	4.99	2.55	4.45	6.08	4.77
Del.	3.75	---	---	5.40	3.30	4.80	6.10	---
MD.	3.65	3.80	5.70	5.30	3.20	4.40	6.00	5.00
Va.	3.75	3.90	5.40	5.40	3.50	4.25	6.10	5.30
W. Va.	3.85	4.25	5.70	5.80	3.65	4.40	6.20	---
N. C.	3.70	3.80	5.30	5.10	3.30	4.30	6.30	5.20
S. C.	3.80	3.90	5.30	5.30	3.50	4.25	6.20	5.00
Ge.	3.80	3.95	5.20	5.00	3.30	4.20	5.90	5.00
Fla.	3.80	3.95	5.40	5.20	3.45	4.40	5.50	5.20
S. Atl.	3.74	3.90	5.44	5.31	3.37	4.29	6.10	5.13
Ky.	3.60	3.65	5.30	5.20	3.40	4.55	6.10	5.00
Tenn.	3.50	3.60	5.10	5.10	3.45	4.35	5.90	4.75
Ala.	3.65	3.90	4.85	4.95	3.25	4.20	5.90	4.85
Miss.	3.70	3.80	4.65	4.70	3.40	4.30	5.80	4.85
E. S. Cent.	3.57	3.68	4.99	5.05	3.39	4.34	5.94	4.84
Ark.	3.20	3.35	4.65	4.80	3.10	4.05	5.60	4.70
La.	3.40	3.75	5.00	4.90	3.55	4.35	6.00	4.80
Okl.	3.05	3.15	4.80	4.90	3.20	---	---	---
Tex.	3.40	3.50	4.80	5.10	3.60	---	---	---
W. S. Cent.	3.29	3.40	4.79	4.93	3.47	4.20	5.76	4.72
Mont.	3.05	2.95	5.40	5.60	3.35	---	---	---
Idaho	2.90	2.80	5.40	6.40	3.20	---	---	---
Wyo.	3.40	3.50	5.40	5.60	3.65	---	---	---
Colo.	3.55	3.60	5.10	4.95	2.65	---	---	---
N. Mex.	3.90	3.90	5.10	5.30	4.00	---	---	---
Ariz.	4.15	---	3.80	6.00	---	---	---	---
Utah	2.90	3.10	4.90	5.50	3.25	---	---	---
Nev.	---	---	5.30	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	3.52	3.29	5.06	5.54	3.09	---	---	---
Wash.	3.65	3.70	5.50	6.20	4.10	---	---	---
Oreg.	3.55	3.60	5.30	5.90	3.75	---	---	---
Calif.	3.85	3.90	4.75	5.80	3.95	---	---	---
Pac.	3.76	3.73	5.09	5.97	3.95	---	---	---
U. S.	3.52	3.59	5.25	5.21	3.19	4.37	6.20	4.82

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

State and division	Dairy feed, percent protein				
	14	16	18	20	32 and over
	D O L L A R S				
Maine	74	72	75	74	—
N. H.	74	72	—	75	—
Vt.	73	72	—	74	—
Mass.	74	72	75	74	—
R. I.	73	72	—	74	—
Conn.	73	72	75	74	—
N. Eng.	74	72	75	74	—
N. Y.	74	74	76	76	87
N. J.	86	78	77	85	94
Pa.	77	77	78	82	97
M. Atl.	78	75	76	80	93
Ohio	77	79	81	—	105
Ind.	71	77	—	—	105
Ill.	76	76	77	—	104
Mich.	71	73	—	80	105
Wis.	67	68	71	80	101
E. N. Cent.	73	74	77	80	103
Minn.	63	64	71	74	98
Iowa	72	75	78	—	105
Mo.	68	70	70	—	96
N. Dak.	71	73	—	—	97
S. Dak.	72	75	—	—	99
Nebr.	70	72	78	81	98
Kans.	68	73	—	—	90
W. N. Cent.	68	69	72	75	99
Del.	—	81	—	—	—
Md.	75	78	79	—	97
Va.	75	76	82	83	97
W. Va.	81	84	87	90	—
N. C.	69	73	75	80	98
S. C.	73	75	78	82	94
Ge.	70	75	81	82	94
Fla.	73	73	78	80	—
S. Atl.	73	76	78	80	97
Ky.	64	73	—	83	98
Tenn.	65	69	72	74	88
Ala.	—	72	73	—	—
Miss.	68	71	74	78	85
E. S. Cent.	65	71	73	80	92
Ark.	67	70	72	—	—
La.	72	76	78	81	—
Okla.	64	68	68	75	83
Tex.	69	72	73	74	88
W. S. Cent.	68	72	75	79	87
Mont.	69	72	77	—	—
Idaho	66	70	—	—	92
Wyo.	—	76	—	—	—
Colo.	68	71	—	—	94
N. Mex.	69	72	—	—	105
Ariz.	67	70	—	—	—
Utah	62	64	—	—	100
Nev.	73	75	—	—	86
Mount.	66	71	—	—	—
Wash.	67	71	—	—	91
Oreg.	70	71	—	—	—
Calif.	65	68	70	—	—
Pac.	66	69	—	—	—
U. S.	68	72	76	79	93

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

State and division	Poultry feeds, per ton				Poultry price ratios 2/		
	Chick starter	Laying feed complete	Turkey grower complete	Broiler grower	Egg-feed	Broiler feed	Turkey feed
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Lb.	Lb.	Lb.
Maine	79	69	87	82	10.1	3.7	---
N. H.	79	70	86	82	10.9	3.7	6.7
Vt.	81	72	87	85	9.2	3.6	---
Mass.	79	69	85	82	11.6	3.8	---
R. I.	79	70	85	82	11.7	3.8	---
Conn.	79	69	84	82	12.2	3.9	7.6
N. Eng.	79	69	85	82	11.1	3.7	7.4
N. Y.	92	82	93	91	7.1	4.6	---
N. J.	87	73	90	84	8.5	5.7	6.9
Pa.	96	84	94	93	7.6	3.4	5.5
M. Atl.	93	81	93	93	7.6	3.6	5.7
Ohio	101	84	96	88	6.6	3.5	4.0
Ind.	98	80	90	88	7.2	3.5	---
Ill.	104	90	96	95	5.3	3.1	4.0
Mich.	99	82	96	93	7.3	3.8	4.2
Wis.	103	87	87	95	6.0	3.2	3.9
E. N. Cent.	101	84	92	90	6.5	3.4	---
Minn.	100	78	79	82	5.9	---	3.5
Iowa	101	79	95	92	5.1	---	3.2
Mo.	99	81	87	88	5.1	3.4	4.1
N. Dak.	102	89	93	91	4.9	---	---
S. Dak.	102	81	93	---	4.9	---	---
Nebr.	99	82	92	93	4.7	3.2	---
Kans.	95	81	89	90	5.4	3.6	---
W. N. Cent.	100	80	86	86	5.2	3.6	3.4
Del.	95	86	95	90	9.9	3.3	3.8
Md.	96	87	95	91	8.0	3.3	4.0
Va.	86	79	84	86	7.6	3.6	4.5
W. Va.	105	91	98	97	7.7	3.1	3.9
N. C.	88	80	90	86	8.5	3.4	4.4
S. C.	93	85	95	92	7.9	2.9	4.2
Ga.	91	82	97	93	8.2	2.9	4.1
Fla.	87	79	83	82	7.1	3.3	5.1
S. Atl.	92	81	89	90	8.0	3.2	4.4
Ky.	102	91	99	98	5.9	2.9	---
Tenn.	97	81	101	94	7.9	3.2	---
Ala.	90	80	98	87	8.1	3.0	---
Miss.	95	88	100	95	8.0	2.7	---
E. S. Cent.	94	84	99	90	7.8	2.9	---
Ark.	87	75	83	85	8.7	3.2	5.1
La.	98	87	102	97	7.9	2.8	---
Okla.	96	84	92	92	6.4	2.9	4.1
Texas	95	85	93	88	7.3	3.3	3.9
W. S. Cent.	98	81	90	87	7.8	3.2	4.2
Mont.	107	92	102	---	7.0	---	---
Idaho	102	86	93	96	7.0	3.5	---
Wyo.	105	94	---	---	7.2	---	---
Colo.	102	89	100	95	6.3	3.8	---
N. Mex.	100	86	100	97	8.1	---	---
Ariz.	90	79	87	86	5.6	---	---
Utah	84	75	88	86	7.2	4.0	4.1
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	98	84	92	94	6.8	3.6	---
Wash.	93	80	87	95	6.4	3.8	---
Oreg.	98	85	85	97	7.1	3.8	4.2
Calif.	85	74	80	88	6.3	4.0	5.0
Pac.	88	75	81	91	6.3	3.9	4.9
U. S.	93	80	88	89	7.2	3.2	4.3

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.

SPRING SEED PRICES UP FROM 1967

Prices paid by farmers for field seeds for spring planting were generally higher in mid-April than a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The mid-April index of prices paid by farmers for seed was 250 percent of its 1910-14 average, up 13 points (5 percent) from April 1967.

Cottonseed for planting showed the sharpest price increase, with average prices paid 45 percent higher than the 1967 spring season average. Substantial price increases were also reported for Ladino clover, up 24 percent; red clover, up 22 percent; uncertified alfalfa, up 15 percent; annual ryegrass, up 14 percent; and Korean lespedeza, up 13 percent. Increases ranging from 1 to 10 percent were shown for sweetclover, Sericea lespedeza, seed barley, seed oats, forage sorghums, certified alfalfa, hybrid seed corn, and tall fescue. Average prices paid for hybrid sorghum grain were unchanged from the 1967 spring season.

Striate Kobe lespedeza and Kentucky bluegrass seed average prices paid showed the greatest decline from a year earlier, with reductions of 12 and 10 percent, respectively, from the 1967 planting season. Prices for soybeans for seed were down 8 percent. Price declines of 5 percent or less were reported for open-pollinated sorghums, orchardgrass, and alsike clover.

FIELD SEEDS: RETAIL PRICES, UNITED STATES, APRIL 15, 1968, WITH COMPARISONS

Item and Unit	Average April 15, 1962-66	April 15, 1966	April 15, 1967	April 15, 1968
DOLLARS				
Alfalfa, Uncertified Varieties, per 100 lb.	47.80	47.40	50.60	58.20
Alfalfa, Certified Varieties, per 100 lb.	59.60	57.90	60.40	65.50
Clover, Red, per 100 lb.	45.70	40.20	39.90	48.50
Clover, Alsike, per 100 lb.	33.30	33.40	32.40	32.00
Clover, Sweet, per 100 lb.	20.70	17.00	17.20	17.40
Clover, Ladino, per lb. ....	.910	.870	.922	1.14
Lespedeza, Korean, per 100 lb.	20.80	18.30	22.60	25.60
Lespedeza, Striate, Kobe, per 100 lb.	28.40	24.20	30.10	26.50
Lespedeza, Sericea, per 100 lb.	25.80	31.10	36.70	37.60
Timothy, per 100 lb.	29.00	30.50	22.50	20.40
Orchardgrass, per 100 lb.	38.90	36.00	34.90	33.70
Ryegrass, Annual, per 100 lb.	13.30	13.60	13.50	15.40
Bluegrass, Kentucky, per lb. ....	.618	.672	.659	.596
Fescue, Tall, per 100 lb.	27.30	20.30	19.30	21.30
Sudangrass, per 100 lb.	12.80	12.90	13.40	13.50
Seed Potatoes, per 100 lb.	3.40	3.68	3.13	2/2.92
Seed Corn, Hybrid, per bu.	12.00	12.40	12.90	13.90
Seed Wheat (Spring), per bu.	2.71	2.44	2.78	2.54
Seed Oats, per bu.	1.50	1.59	1.56	1.62
Seed Barley, per bu.	1.89	1.93	1.91	1.96
Seed Flax, per bu.	1/	1/	1/	4.27
Seed Peanuts, per 100 lb.	1/	1/	1/	32.80
Soybeans for Seed, per bu.	3.98	4.25	4.39	4.05
Cottonseed for Planting, per 100 lb.	9.59	10.10	12.30	17.80
Grain Sorghums, Hybrid, per 100 lb.	18.10	19.20	19.20	19.20
Grain Sorghums, Open-pollinated, per 100 lb.	7.74	8.71	9.45	9.01
Forage Sorghums, per 100 lb.	11.20	12.70	12.40	13.20

1/ Not available. 2/ Season average price.

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1968

State and division	ALFALFA		Red, per 100 lb.	Alsike, per 100 lb.	CLOVER		Ladino, per lb.	
	Uncertified varieties, per 100 lb.	Certified varieties, per 100 lb.			Sweet, per 100 lb.			
	D O L L A R S							Cents
Maine	63.0	79.0	53.0	36.0			1.05	
N. H.	63.0	75.0	52.0	36.0	24.5		1.05	
Vt.	63.0	73.0	53.5	36.0	24.5		1.05	
Mass.	63.0	72.0	55.5	36.0	24.5		1.05	
R. I.							1.05	
Conn.	63.5	83.0	59.0	40.0		31.0	1.05	
N. Eng.	63.1	74.9	54.1	36.3		26.1	1.05	
N. Y.	62.0	74.0	55.5	35.5		23.0	1.20	
N. J.	60.0	73.0	57.0	33.5		22.5	1.15	
Pa.	60.0	69.5	52.0	32.5		20.5	1.20	
M. Atl.	61.2	72.3	53.8	33.7		21.2	1.19	
Ohio	54.0	64.0	44.5	29.0		16.0	1.05	
Ind.	63.5	67.5	48.0	32.0		18.5	1.15	
Ill.	60.0	69.0	49.0	28.5		19.0	1.15	
Mich.	56.5	68.0	43.0	32.5		17.0	1.15	
Wis.	58.5	67.0	48.0	33.0		19.5	1.15	
E. N. Cent.	58.3	67.2	46.8	30.8		18.0	1.19	
Minn.	56.5	62.0	50.0	33.0		18.0	1.20	
Iowa	61.0	69.5	50.0	32.5		18.5	1.15	
Mo.	56.0	59.0	39.5	28.0		16.0	1.05	
N. Dak.	55.5	59.5	47.0	30.0		13.5	1.15	
S. Dak.	58.5	61.0	48.0	29.0		14.0	1.10	
Nebr.	58.5	66.0	46.0	32.0		15.5	1.20	
Kans.	51.5	57.5	41.0	32.0		14.5	1.00	
W. N. Cent.	57.3	62.7	47.4	31.7		16.3	1.12	
Del.			50.0	32.0			1.15	
Md.	61.5	66.0	50.0	31.5		20.0	1.15	
Va.	60.0	62.5	49.0	30.0		19.0	1.05	
W. Va.	58.0	62.0	49.0	31.0		17.5	1.00	
N. C.	60.0	65.0	54.0	33.0		25.0	1.00	
S. C.							1.00	
Ga.	61.5	62.0					1.10	
Fla.								
S. Atl.	60.0	63.4	48.9	31.0		21.1	1.07	
Ky.	56.0	62.5	46.5	30.5		18.5	1.00	
Tenn.	49.0	52.5	45.5	30.0		17.0	.96	
Ala.	55.0	56.0	46.0				1.10	
Miss.			46.0				1.10	
E. S. Cent.	54.3	59.8	46.2	30.4		18.1	1.02	
Ark.	56.0	57.0	45.0	30.0		21.0	1.00	
La.	52.5	53.5	43.5	30.0			1.00	
Okla.	44.0	45.0	42.0			14.5	.95	
Texas	56.0	57.0	41.0			20.5	.95	
W. S. Cent.	47.6	48.6	42.9	30.0		18.2	.968	
Mont.	63.0	69.5	52.0	34.5		19.0	1.10	
Idaho	61.0	70.0	47.5	33.5		21.5	1.00	
Wyo.	59.0	72.0	47.0	33.0		18.0		
Colo.	57.0	66.0	45.0	34.5		17.0	1.05	
N. Mex.	53.5	60.0				23.0		
Ariz.	55.0	68.0						
Utah	54.0	60.0	46.5			20.0	1.10	
Nev.	55.0	60.0						
Mount.	59.0	67.5	47.9	33.9		18.5	1.04	
Wash.	67.0	74.5	51.5	35.0		25.0	1.10	
Oreg.	68.0	74.5	40.5	35.0		26.0	1.00	
Calif.	58.0	69.0	56.0	42.0		31.0	1.10	
Pacific	62.2	71.4	47.8	36.7		26.9	1.06	
U. S.	58.2	65.5	48.5	32.0		17.4	1.14	

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1968 (Continued)

State and division	LESPEDeza				Timothy, per 100 lb.	Orchard-grass, per 100 lb.	Ryegrass, Annual, per 100 lb.	Bluegrass, Kentucky, per lb.
	Korean, per 100 lb.	Striate, Kobe, per 100 lb.	Striate, per 100 lb.	Sericea, per 100 lb.				
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Cents
Maine					21.0		18.0	.55
N. H.					22.0	46.5	17.0	.55
Vt.					21.5	51.0	17.0	.54
Mass.					21.0		16.0	.53
R. I.					24.0		17.0	.54
Conn.					23.5	51.0	22.0	.60
N. Eng.					21.8	49.4	18.1	.55
N. Y.					21.5	47.5	18.0	.58
N. J.					22.0	36.0	15.0	.58
Pa.					19.0	39.5	16.5	.57
M. Atl.	30.0				28.7	41.0	16.7	.56
Ohio	26.0				16.0	39.5	18.0	.61
Ind.	28.0	29.0			19.5	34.5	18.5	.65
Ill.	28.0		35.0		20.0	33.0	19.5	.64
Mich.					21.5	38.0	18.5	.60
Wis.					21.0	37.0	20.0	.64
E. N. Cent.	27.8				19.8	36.3	18.9	.63
Minn.					21.0	34.0	20.5	.62
Iowa	31.0				21.0	33.0	19.0	.64
Mo.	24.0	26.0	33.0		14.0	29.0	18.5	.52
N. Dak.					20.5	32.5	18.5	.61
S. Dak.					20.5	32.5	19.5	.62
Nebr.					22.0	35.0	20.0	.75
Kans.	25.0		33.0		20.0	32.0	19.0	.70
W. N. Cent.	25.8		33.0		20.1	32.0	19.4	.67
Del.	27.0				18.0	32.5	13.5	.51
Md.	26.5	27.0	38.0		17.0	30.5	15.5	.52
Va.	26.0	26.5	37.0		16.0	26.5	13.5	.48
W. Va.	26.0	27.0	37.0		16.5	33.0	15.5	.50
N. C.	26.0	27.0	34.0		22.5	33.0	12.0	.53
S. C.	26.0	27.5	36.0			33.0	11.5	.53
Ga.	26.0	27.5	38.0			35.0	12.0	.54
Fla.	26.0	27.0					11.0	
S. Atl.	26.1	27.2	36.5		17.2	30.2	13.1	.50
Ky.	23.5	25.5	39.0		21.5	28.0	15.0	.54
Tenn.	23.0	25.0	40.0		21.0	27.5	10.5	.52
Ala.	23.0	27.0	40.5			31.5	11.5	.55
Miss.	25.5	27.0	41.0			33.0	11.5	
E. S. Cent.	23.4	26.2	40.1		21.3	28.6	11.8	.53
Ark.	24.0	25.0	41.0			30.0	10.5	.60
La.	24.0	26.5	40.0				10.0	
Okla.	24.0	25.0	40.0			33.0	12.0	.65
Texas	26.0	27.0	40.0				12.0	
W. S. Cent.	24.2	25.4	40.3			31.8	11.3	.62
Mont.					23.5	36.5	18.5	.64
Idaho					25.5	41.0	19.5	.64
Wyo.					25.0	39.0		.66
Colo.					25.0	36.5	17.5	.70
N. Mex.								.74
Ariz.							10.5	
Utah						35.0	10.0	.70
Nev.								
Mount.					24.8	37.8	15.3	.67
Washo.					27.0	45.5	18.0	.62
Oreg.					26.5	41.5	12.0	.59
Calif.					30.0	45.0	16.0	.63
Pacific					27.1	43.7	14.5	.62
U. S.	25.6	26.5	37.6		20.4	33.7	15.4	.58

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1968 (Continued)

State and division	Seed, Tall per 100 lb.	Seed, grass, per 100 lb.	Seed, potatoes, per 100 lb.	Seed corn, Hybrid, per 1/2 bu.	Seed, Wheat (Spring), per bu.	Seed, Oats, per bu.	Seed, Barley, per bu.
D O L L A R S							
Maine	---	17.5	1.30	---	---	2.00	---
N. H.	---	17.5	---	---	---	---	---
Vt.	---	18.5	---	12.8	---	2.10	---
Mass.	---	17.5	1.80	13.0	---	---	---
R. I.	---	---	2.50	---	---	---	---
Conn.	---	18.0	2.00	11.0	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	17.8	1.45	12.3	---	2.02	---
N. Y.	26.0	17.0	3.30	12.7	3.20	2.05	3.15
N. J.	26.0	15.0	3.10	13.2	3.20	2.05	3.00
Pa.	27.5	16.0	3.55	13.4	3.10	2.00	3.10
N. Atl.	26.8	16.2	3.33	13.4	3.17	2.02	3.09
Ohio	24.5	17.0	3.80	13.7	---	1.90	2.60
Ind.	23.0	18.0	3.40	12.6	---	2.00	2.70
Ill.	22.0	18.0	4.10	15.3	3.40	1.60	2.80
Mich.	26.0	17.0	3.85	13.9	3.10	1.65	2.40
Wis.	28.0	17.5	3.05	12.2	3.45	1.75	2.85
E. N. Cent.	23.2	17.5	3.59	14.0	3.35	1.74	2.73
Minn.	22.0	17.5	2.30	14.0	2.90	1.50	2.20
Iowa	23.0	16.5	3.50	14.2	2.95	1.75	2.60
Mo.	18.5	15.0	3.85	13.2	---	1.35	2.40
N. Dak.	22.0	15.0	2.30	13.6	2.50	1.40	1.85
S. Dak.	22.5	14.5	1.90	14.2	2.50	1.40	2.10
Nebr.	26.0	14.5	2.70	14.5	2.60	1.45	2.20
Kans.	25.5	12.0	3.70	13.3	---	1.35	2.10
W. N. Cent.	21.2	14.4	2.35	14.0	2.54	1.53	1.95
Del.	---	15.0	3.85	13.0	---	2.10	3.00
Md.	22.5	17.0	4.10	12.5	---	2.10	3.10
Va.	19.5	13.0	4.10	13.1	---	2.00	3.10
W. Va.	22.0	13.0	3.75	13.0	---	2.05	---
N. C.	19.5	14.5	4.00	13.5	---	1.75	2.60
S. C.	18.5	13.5	4.35	13.1	---	1.75	---
Ge.	21.0	14.0	---	14.1	---	1.85	---
Fla.	---	---	4.10	13.5	---	1.90	---
S. Atl.	19.8	14.4	4.05	13.4	---	1.87	2.95
Ky.	16.5	16.0	3.70	13.8	---	1.80	2.00
Tenn.	15.5	12.5	4.45	13.0	---	1.65	---
Ala.	18.5	13.0	4.10	13.3	---	1.70	---
Miss.	18.0	12.0	4.35	13.3	---	1.60	---
E. S. Cent.	17.1	13.8	4.12	13.4	---	1.68	---
Ark.	16.5	12.0	3.85	13.7	---	1.60	2.20
La.	17.0	12.0	4.45	12.7	---	1.55	---
Okla.	18.0	10.5	4.85	12.5	---	1.60	2.10
Texas	16.5	10.5	4.45	10.6	---	1.70	2.35
W. S. Cent.	17.2	10.7	4.44	11.4	---	1.68	2.15
Mont.	25.0	15.0	2.45	14.2	2.45	1.25	1.90
Idaho	24.5	19.0	2.05	14.6	2.45	1.45	1.95
Wyo.	25.0	15.0	2.10	14.2	2.75	1.40	1.90
Colo.	24.5	13.0	2.85	14.8	2.80	1.45	2.00
N. Mex.	27.0	12.8	4.00	13.0	---	1.60	2.15
Ariz.	27.0	12.0	3.70	---	---	---	---
Utah	27.0	12.0	2.45	14.0	2.90	1.75	2.25
Nev.	---	---	3.60	---	2.60	1.70	2.30
Mount.	25.2	12.8	2.25	14.3	2.47	1.39	1.95
Wash.	25.0	19.0	3.05	14.5	2.50	1.55	2.05
Oreg.	22.0	15.0	3.30	13.5	2.45	1.35	1.80
Calif.	27.0	10.5	3.90	16.5	2.55	1.70	1.90
Pacific	24.0	11.5	3.58	15.9	2.48	1.57	1.92
U. S.	21.3	13.5	2.92	13.9	2.54	1.62	1.98

1/ Season average price.

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Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

FIELD SEEDS: Retail prices by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1968 (Continued)

State and division	Seed Flax, per bu.	Seed Peanuts, per 100 lb.	Soybeans for seed, per bu.	Cottonseed for planting, per 100 lb.	GRAIN SORGHUMS		Forage Sorghums, per 100 lb.
					Hybrid, per 100 lb.	Open-poll., per 100 lb.	
--- D O L L A R S ---							
Maine	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. H.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Vt.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mass.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
R. I.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Conn.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. Eng.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. Y.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. J.	---	---	4.90	---	---	---	---
Pa.	---	---	5.30	---	---	---	---
N. Atl.	---	---	5.03	---	---	---	---
Ohio	---	---	4.08	---	---	---	---
Ind.	---	---	4.23	---	19.0	14.0	18.0
Ill.	---	---	4.03	---	20.5	14.0	18.0
Mich.	---	---	4.50	---	---	---	---
Wis.	---	---	4.65	---	---	---	---
E. N. Cent.	6.00	---	4.13	---	19.8	14.0	18.0
Minn.	4.50	---	4.08	---	---	---	---
Iowa	4.50	---	4.08	---	21.0	11.0	17.5
Mo.	---	---	3.65	14.0	20.0	12.5	15.0
N. Dak.	4.10	---	3.40	---	---	---	14.0
S. Dak.	4.10	---	3.70	---	20.0	11.0	15.0
Nebr.	---	---	4.00	---	20.5	12.0	15.5
Kans.	---	---	3.65	---	19.5	10.0	13.0
W. N. Cent.	4.17	---	3.90	---	20.0	11.0	14.1
Del.	---	---	4.90	---	---	---	---
Md.	---	---	5.05	---	---	---	---
Va.	---	35.0	4.90	14.0	20.5	10.5	15.0
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N. C.	---	36.5	4.40	14.0	19.5	12.0	15.0
S. C.	---	35.0	4.45	15.0	21.0	10.5	15.0
Ge.	---	34.5	4.70	15.0	20.0	10.5	16.0
Fla.	---	32.0	4.60	15.0	---	---	---
S. Atl.	---	34.6	4.57	14.7	19.9	11.2	15.5
Ky.	---	---	4.45	15.0	19.0	11.5	17.0
Tenn.	---	---	3.90	15.0	18.5	11.5	16.0
Ala.	---	29.0	4.35	17.0	20.5	10.5	16.5
Miss.	---	---	3.90	18.0	20.0	10.5	15.5
E. S. Cent.	---	---	4.01	17.2	19.6	10.9	15.9
Ark.	---	---	3.80	15.5	20.0	8.50	11.5
La.	---	---	4.40	15.5	20.0	8.50	11.0
Okla.	---	30.0	4.50	19.5	20.0	9.00	10.5
Texas	6.50	31.0	5.10	20.0	17.0	7.50	12.0
W. S. Cent.	4.60	30.7	4.04	18.9	17.5	7.72	11.4
Mont.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Idaho	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Wyo.	---	---	---	---	---	---	12.0
Colo.	---	---	---	---	21.5	8.50	12.5
N. Mex.	---	29.0	---	20.0	21.5	8.00	12.5
Ariz.	---	---	---	19.0	23.5	8.00	13.0
Utah	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	---	---	---	19.4	22.1	8.16	12.5
Wash.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Oreg.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Calif.	5.50	---	---	14.5	25.5	8.00	21.5
Pacific	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.	4.27	32.8	4.03	17.6	19.2	9.01	13.2

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, April 1968

Crop Reporting Board, SRS, USDA

Fertilizers and Agricultural Limestones: Prices paid by farmers per ton for selected commercial fertilizers, United States, April 15, 1968, with comparisons

Item	Average 1957-59	1966		1967		1968
		April 15	Sept. 15	April 15	Sept. 15	April 15
D O L L A R S						
Mixed fertilizers:						
0-20-20	64.3	64.9	65.5	66.1	65.2	64.9
3-9-9	42.4	58.1	59.1	60.0	60.2	60.6
3-9-18	—	50.3	51.5	50.8	50.6	51.5
4-8-12	47.8	52.7	53.9	56.1	54.0	54.4
4-12-8	47.1	48.9	48.9	48.9	48.7	49.3
4-12-12	39.6	41.7	42.3	43.0	42.9	43.1
5-10-5	45.8	51.7	52.1	53.6	53.4	53.2
5-10-10	50.1	50.9	51.1	51.6	51.1	51.3
5-10-15	58.3	45.7	45.5	45.8	45.9	45.9
5-20-20	77.6	74.2	74.2	75.1	73.3	72.7
6-8-8	42.8	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0
6-12-12	50.5	47.6	48.5	47.9	47.7	47.8
6-24-12	79.6	74.9	75.4	76.6	73.7	72.9
6-24-24	91.1	85.1	85.0	85.7	84.4	81.8
7-28-14	—	89.3	89.9	90.6	90.1	86.9
8-8-8	54.1	46.7	47.4	47.1	46.8	46.7
8-16-16	75.2	75.8	76.6	76.9	77.2	77.6
10-10-10	66.2	62.4	62.6	63.0	62.2	62.7
10-20-10	81.7	68.3	68.2	70.0	67.5	68.1
12-12-12	71.1	69.9	69.9	70.6	70.1	69.1
13-13-13	—	70.0	69.8	68.8	68.8	67.8
16-20-0	89.6	81.1	80.2	80.7	79.7	78.4
18-46-0	—	108.0	109.0	113.0	103.0	101.0
Fertilizer material:						
Nitrate of soda	59.8	59.7	60.4	60.1	60.1	59.9
Sulphate of ammonia	59.3	52.8	52.7	54.2	55.4	53.9
Ammonium nitrate	81.8	76.5	75.0	74.2	73.2	67.9
Ammonium nitrate-limestone mixture	59.2	57.1	57.4	57.6	57.2	56.3
Anhydrous ammonia	149.0	119.0	116.0	113.0	109.0	91.4
Superphosphate						
20 percent P ₂ O ₅	37.0	41.4	41.2	42.1	42.1	43.2
46 percent P ₂ O ₅	82.2	80.9	82.1	84.1	80.4	78.4
Phosphate rock						
Muriate of potash, 55% K ₂ O and over	52.1	54.9	53.4	53.6	1/50.8	1/49.1
Agricultural limestone (spread on field):						
Gypsum (land plaster)	15.7	18.5	15.7	19.2	17.0	17.5
Nitrogen Solutions:						
28 percent N.	—	—	—	—	56.9	54.5
30 percent N.	—	—	—	—	64.8	62.7
32 percent N.	—	—	—	—	69.4	65.8

1/ 50% K₂O.

Mixed fertilizer: Average price per ton paid by farmers for principal grades used in specified States, April 15, 1968

State	Northeastern States							
	0-20-20	5-10-5	5-10-10	8-12-12	8-16-16	10-10-10	10-15-15	15-10-10
D O L L A R S								
Maine	—	—	57.0	65.0	75.0	65.0	75.0	78.0
N. H.	—	—	58.0	67.0	77.0	68.0	80.0	79.0
Vt.	—	—	57.0	68.0	76.0	67.0	78.0	78.0
Mass.	—	—	58.0	69.0	77.0	68.0	81.0	78.0
R. I.	—	—	57.0	68.0	76.0	67.0	79.0	77.0
Conn.	—	—	56.0	66.0	76.0	67.0	79.0	77.0
N. Y.	70.0	54.0	56.0	—	79.0	68.0	—	—
N. J.	69.0	51.0	54.0	—	80.0	66.0	—	—
Pa.	69.0	53.0	55.0	—	78.0	67.0	—	—
U. S.	—	—	—	65.2	—	—	75.4	76.5

Mixed fertilizer: Average price per ton paid by farmers for principal grades used in specified States, April 15, 1968 (Continued)

North Central States										
State	0-20-20	5-20-20	6-24-12	6-24-24	7-28-14	8-32-16	12-12-12	16-48-0	18-46-0	
D O L L A R S										
Ohio	64.0	72.0	73.0	80.0	82.0	89.0	70.0	---	98.0	
Ind.	69.0	76.0	76.0	85.0	89.0	97.0	73.0	---	100	
Ill.	66.0	75.0	75.0	87.0	87.0	97.0	72.0	---	100	
Mich.	62.0	70.0	72.0	79.0	87.0	85.0	67.0	---	105	
Wis.	64.0	72.0	74.0	80.0	88.0	94.0	70.0	---	105	
Minn.	67.0	72.0	75.0	80.0	82.0	91.0	72.0	---	105	
Iowa	57.0	73.0	---	81.0	83.0	90.0	75.0	---	100	
Mo.	---	69.0	---	81.0	---	90.0	64.0	100	100	
N. Dak.	---	---	---	---	---	90.0	---	100	100	
S. Dak.	---	---	---	---	---	95.0	---	110	105	
Nebr.	---	---	---	---	---	97.0	---	105	98.0	
Kans.	---	72.0	---	86.0	---	92.0	72.0	95.0	96.0	
U. S.	---	---	---	---	---	91.2	---	1/	---	
1/ Shown in Western States.										
Southeastern States										
State	3-9-9	3-9-18	4-8-12	4-12-12	5-10-10	5-10-15	6-12-12	10-10-10	15-10-10	
D O L L A R S										
Del.	---	---	---	---	52.0	---	---	63.0	75.0	
Md.	---	---	54.0	---	51.0	---	---	62.0	74.0	
Va.	59.0	51.0	52.0	47.0	46.5	---	---	57.0	---	
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	54.0	---	---	63.0	---	
N. C.	61.0	55.0	59.0	54.0	52.0	---	---	63.0	---	
S. C.	59.0	46.0	46.0	46.5	46.0	---	---	58.0	---	
Ga.	---	---	---	40.5	---	42.5	44.5	---	---	
Fla.	---	---	---	44.5	---	45.5	48.0	---	---	
U. S.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	2/
2/ Shown in Northeastern States.										
South Central States										
State	0-20-20	4-12-8	4-12-12	5-10-15	6-12-12	6-24-24	8-8-8	10-20-10	12-12-12	
D O L L A R S										
Ky.	---	49.5	---	61.0	54.0	---	---	---	---	
Tenn.	---	46.5	---	61.0	48.0	---	---	---	---	
Ala.	---	---	41.7	---	---	73.0	45.1	---	---	
Miss.	---	---	46.0	---	---	77.0	48.5	---	---	
Ark.	61.0	---	---	---	---	76.0	48.0	72.0	66.0	
La.	58.0	---	---	---	---	76.0	49.0	70.0	68.0	
Okla.	58.0	---	---	---	---	75.0	43.0	64.0	64.0	
Tex.	58.0	---	---	---	---	83.0	51.0	69.0	68.0	
U. S.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	
Western States										
State	8-24-0	10-34-0	11-48-0	16-20-0	16-48-0	18-46-0	22-22-0			
D O L L A R S										
Mont.	---	100	105	79.0	---	115	---	115	92.0	
Idaho	---	100	110	82.0	---	120	---	120	95.0	
Wyo.	---	98.0	---	73.0	---	100	---	100	92.0	
Colo.	---	97.0	110	81.0	---	110	---	100	92.0	
N. Mex.	---	99.0	100	84.0	---	100	---	105	---	
Ariz.	---	---	110	88.0	---	115	---	120	---	
Utah	---	---	120	91.0	---	120	---	120	---	
Nev.	---	---	105	84.0	---	---	---	---	---	
Wash.	85.0	---	120	89.0	---	120	---	125	---	
Oreg.	78.0	---	110	80.0	---	120	---	125	---	
Calif.	73.0	---	110	81.0	---	115	---	115	---	
U. S.	76.3	99.0	104	---	---	106	---	---	93.2	

Fertilizer materials and agricultural limestone: Average prices per ton paid by farmers for specified materials, by States and geographic divisions, April 15, 1968

State and division	Nitrate of soda	Sulphate of ammonia	Ammonium nitrate	Anhydrous ammonia	Urea 45-46% N	Superphosphate 20% P ₂ O ₅	Superphosphate 46% P ₂ O ₅	Phosphate rock	Muriate of potash 60% K ₂ O	Agricultural limestone 1/
	DOLLARS									
Maine	---	---	80.0	---	100.0	44.0	---	---	---	10.00
N.H.	74.0	---	79.0	---	100.0	45.0	---	---	---	13.00
Vt.	---	---	84.0	---	100.0	45.0	---	---	65.0	8.40
Mass.	73.0	---	83.0	---	100.0	43.5	---	---	65.0	11.50
R.I.	---	---	---	---	105.0	44.0	---	---	---	---
Conn.	75.0	---	---	---	100.0	44.0	---	---	---	9.70
N. Eng.	73.8	---	81.3	---	101.0	44.4	---	---	65.0	10.10
N.Y.	68.0	51.1	80.0	---	100.0	47.0	---	---	---	9.50
N.J.	66.0	48.0	75.0	---	105.0	46.0	---	---	---	9.50
Pas.	71.0	50.0	77.0	110.0	100.0	44.0	---	---	---	7.80
M. Atl.	68.2	49.6	77.9	---	100.0	45.5	---	---	---	8.65
Ohio	---	48.0	70.0	88.0	87.0	---	77.0	25.0	48.5	4.60
Ind.	---	48.5	70.0	83.0	93.0	---	78.0	25.0	47.0	4.35
Ill.	---	50.0	69.0	85.0	95.0	40.0	75.0	21.0	47.0	3.80
Mich.	---	50.0	69.0	95.0	91.0	---	78.0	28.0	50.0	7.20
Wis.	---	---	76.0	100.0	95.0	---	84.0	28.0	48.5	4.20
E. N. Cent.	---	49.3	69.2	85.7	91.1	---	75.6	21.2	47.5	4.29
Miss.	---	53.0	74.0	90.0	105.0	42.0	82.0	31.0	50.0	3.30
Iowa	---	51.0	69.0	73.0	90.0	40.5	79.0	24.0	50.0	3.70
Mo.	---	---	64.0	85.0	86.0	40.0	78.0	22.0	50.0	3.95
N. Dak.	---	---	68.0	100.0	86.0	---	80.0	---	---	---
S. Dak.	---	65.0	70.0	110.0	96.0	43.0	82.0	---	---	---
Nebr.	---	63.0	66.0	77.0	94.0	46.5	79.0	30.0	---	6.70
Kans.	---	62.0	63.0	83.0	80.0	43.0	82.0	27.0	55.0	3.80
W. N. Cent.	---	59.6	65.9	78.3	85.9	42.6	80.0	22.3	50.2	3.68
Del.	---	---	78.0	---	82.0	41.0	---	---	---	10.50
Md.	60.0	---	77.0	125.0	92.0	41.0	---	---	---	10.50
Va.	60.0	---	71.0	---	94.0	34.0	---	---	59.0	6.80
W. Va.	71.0	58.0	70.0	---	105.0	43.5	---	---	---	7.00
N. C.	60.0	---	74.0	125.0	100.0	39.0	---	---	65.0	9.40
S. C.	56.0	---	70.0	135.0	105.0	33.0	---	---	59.0	8.00
Ga.	59.0	54.0	66.0	120.0	105.0	33.0	---	---	59.0	8.60
Fla.	57.0	48.5	66.0	130.0	115.0	29.0	---	12.0	50.0	9.00
S. Atl.	58.7	50.4	67.8	122.0	101.0	37.2	---	---	58.3	8.56
Ky.	73.0	---	68.0	90.0	95.0	43.5	83.0	23.5	56.0	3.90
Tenn.	65.0	---	64.0	100.0	90.0	42.0	83.0	---	57.0	4.00
Ala.	57.0	51.0	66.0	110.0	98.0	33.0	---	---	58.0	7.30
Miss.	59.0	---	64.0	100.0	87.0	36.5	---	---	56.0	7.60
E. S. Cent.	60.1	---	65.3	100.0	90.0	38.9	83.0	---	56.4	4.68
Ark.	66.0	52.0	61.0	95.0	85.0	42.0	76.0	24.0	54.0	6.00
La.	62.0	53.0	64.0	100.0	91.0	41.0	79.0	25.0	54.0	9.00
Okla.	---	58.0	60.0	105.0	78.0	40.0	77.0	25.0	49.0	4.75
Tex.	68.0	53.0	69.0	91.0	91.0	41.0	79.0	28.0	54.0	7.00
W. S. Cent.	64.2	53.2	63.9	93.5	87.0	40.9	77.8	25.0	52.9	6.59
Mont.	---	62.0	77.0	185.0	92.0	---	82.0	---	---	---
Idaho	---	57.0	77.0	165.0	100.0	55.0	---	---	---	---
Wyo.	---	66.0	69.0	175.0	98.0	---	80.0	---	---	---
Colo.	---	61.0	69.0	110.0	99.0	58.0	84.0	---	---	---
N. Mex.	---	56.0	81.0	105.0	99.0	38.0	82.0	---	---	---
Ariz.	---	64.0	90.0	91.0	100.0	54.0	92.0	---	---	---
Utah	---	66.0	79.0	160.0	105.0	---	---	---	---	---
Nev.	---	57.0	83.0	160.0	96.0	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	---	59.5	74.3	110.0	100.0	43.4	82.6	---	---	---
Wash.	---	66.0	88.0	160.0	105.0	54.5	95.0	---	---	---
Oreg.	---	59.0	85.0	140.0	92.0	51.0	---	---	---	---
Calif.	---	50.0	80.0	115.0	95.0	50.0	---	---	---	---
Pac.	---	53.4	83.9	128.0	95.4	50.3	---	---	---	---
U.S.	59.9	53.9	67.9	91.4	91.8	43.2	78.4	21.5	49.1	5.28

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