

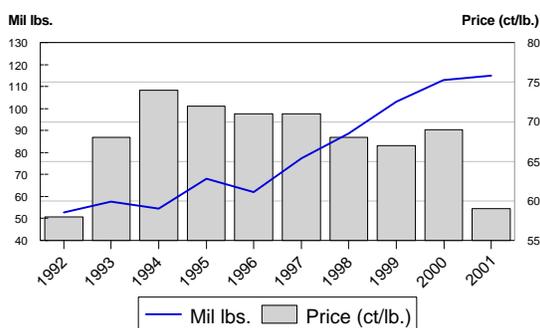
Marketing Year Average Prices Received by Farmers, 1992- 2001 1/

Commodity	Unit	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Corn	\$/bu.	2.35	2.64	2.50	3.50	3.45	2.82	2.31	2.26	2.16	2.30
Cotton	ct/lb.	56.2	57.1	69.1	72.9	70.9	67.3	60.6	47.8	52.8	44.4
Cottonseed	\$/ton	82.50	95.50	84.00	90.00	113.00	111.00	111.00	79.00	92.00	76.00
Soybeans	\$/bu.	5.63	6.40	5.65	7.10	7.40	6.65	5.30	4.80	4.75	4.45
Sorghum Grain	\$/cwt.	3.70	4.80	4.45	5.10	4.90	3.95	4.10	3.50	3.48	3.48
Potatoes	\$/cwt.	6.55	10.20	12.80	10.30	9.20	8.75	12.90	8.15	11.50	10.40
Sweet Potatoes	\$/cwt.	11.70	13.90	13.50	16.50	12.10	20.50	15.10	17.40	15.20	18.20
Peanuts	ct/lb.	30.5	30.8	32.3	28.8	27.8	29.3	29.6	26.8	26.6	24.2
Oats	\$/bu.	1.90	1.65	1.30	1.85	2.50	1.70	2.05	1.70	n/a	n/a
Wheat	\$/bu.	3.30	2.85	3.25	3.90	4.50	3.20	2.65	2.40	2.35	2.35
Hay	\$/ton	51.00	79.00	47.00	50.00	49.00	47.00	53.00	55.00	56.00	55.00
Peaches	ct/lb.	31.3	32.9	23.5	28.5	50.5	30.2	45.6	29.7	40.5	41.8
Pecans	ct/lb.	120.0	41.9	79.0	84.5	53.1	64.8	87.0	68.8	80.0	50.7
Collard Greens	\$/cwt.	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	22.00	18.30
Turnip Greens	\$/cwt.	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	20.60	20.20
Okra	\$/cwt.	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	63.00	76.00
Sweet Corn	\$/cwt.	14.90	12.00	15.00	15.70	13.30	17.00	16.00	14.50	13.70	17.60
Blueberries	\$/lb.	0.856	0.979	0.759	0.762	0.885	0.906	1.260	1.030	0.953	0.917
Tomatoes	\$/cwt.	15.50	27.80	19.20	25.10	22.00	24.00	31.00	20.80	25.90	21.80
Watermelon	\$/cwt.	3.69	5.50	4.80	7.30	4.00	6.10	7.20	5.60	5.60	6.60
Broilers	ct/lb.	31.0	34.0	34.5	34.0	39.0	38.0	40.0	38.0	33.0	39.0
Eggs 2/	ct/doz.	42.9	44.9	41.6	46.7	62.0	55.9	49.0	42.0	42.0	46.7
Hogs	\$/cwt.	36.90	41.30	35.80	35.80	47.50	48.70	30.40	29.70	39.50	41.60
All Beef Cattle	\$/cwt.	66.80	69.00	63.00	51.40	41.30	57.60	56.00	60.10	70.00	70.30
Steers and Heifers	\$/cwt.	73.30	78.30	71.50	57.80	46.40	67.20	65.20	71.30	83.10	81.80
Calves	\$/cwt.	82.90	88.50	78.20	59.70	49.20	79.10	75.10	84.70	102.00	100.00
Milk Cows	\$/head	1,140	1,140	1,150	1,110	1,090	1,090	1,110	1,240	1,300	1,550
Milk, Wholesale	\$/cwt.	14.50	14.20	14.70	14.00	16.40	14.80	16.50	16.50	14.20	16.90
Sheep	\$/cwt.	24	22	19	25	28	37	32	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lambs	\$/cwt.	55	54	50	65	75	85	70	n/a	n/a	n/a
Catfish, Foodsize	ct/lb.	58	68	74	72	71	71	68	67	69	59
Honey	ct/lb.	59	59	52	69	87	81	72	56	59	71

1/ Marketing year average prices are weighted prices for commodities sold during the marketing year. They represent average prices received by farmers at point of first sale for all grades and qualities. 2/ Estimates are for market eggs only.

A LOOK AT ALABAMA CATFISH PRODUCTION AND PRICES - THE PAST DECADE

Alabama Catfish (Foodsize)
Pounds Sold and Marketing Year Average Prices



Alabama producers marketed an ever increasing amount of **foodsize catfish** during the 10-year period beginning in 1992. Sales more than doubled during this time, going from 52.6 million pounds sold in 1992 to 115.0 million pounds 10 years later.

Unfortunately, the same cannot be said about prices growers received for their fish. The yearly average price received for foodsize fish in 1992 was 58 cents per pound. Average price jumped 10 cents in 1993 and another six cents the following year (1994). Prices held steady in the high 60's to low 70's range through 2000. Then in 2001, price fell back to just one penny higher (59 cents) than at start of the decade in 1992.