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AGRICULTURAL PRICES RECEIVED

Prices Received – Mountain Region States and United States: March 2024 with Comparisons

State		Echrupry 2024	March 2024
	March 2023	February 2024	
Barley, All	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per bushel)
Colorado	7.35	7.65	7.56
Montana	8.67	6.84	7.09
Wyoming	7.36	7.65	7.67
United States	7.50	7.08	7.52
Corn			
Colorado	7.75	4.78	4.72
United States	6.67	4.36	4.36
Wheat, All			
Arizona	(S)	(S)	(S)
Colorado	7.95	5.12	5.30
Montana	(D)	6.98	6.47
United States	8.35	6.36	6.01
Hay, Alfalfa	(dollars per ton)	(dollars per ton)	(dollars per ton)
Arizona	350.00	225.00	210.00
Colorado	275.00	235.00	230.00
Montana	245.00	170.00	160.00
New Mexico	310.00	270.00	255.00
Utah	290.00	190.00	180.00
Wyoming	245.00	190.00	175.00
United States	266.00	200.00	195.00
Hay, Other			
Arizona	240.00	140.00	130.00
Colorado	265.00	220.00	210.00
Montana	235.00	150.00	150.00
New Mexico	235.00	225.00	215.00
Utah	235.00	130.00	120.00
Wyoming	220.00	170.00	155.00
United States	177.00	170.00	161.00
Milk, All	(dollars per hundredweight)	(dollars per hundredweight)	(dollars per hundredweight)
Arizona	20.00	20.90	21.30
Colorado	21.40	20.90	21.30
New Mexico	18.50	19.50	19.50
Utah	21.00	20.40	20.80
United States	21.00	20.60	20.70
(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data		20.00	20.10

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(S) Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate.

March Prices Received Index Up 1.5 Percent

The March Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 122.3, increased 1.5 percent from February but decreased 4.8 percent from March 2023. At 100.1, the Crop Production Index was down 1.2 percent from last month and 16 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 144.6, increased 2.3 percent from February, and 4.7 percent from March last year. Producers received higher prices during March for cattle, hogs, broilers, and lettuce but lower prices for market eggs, strawberries, oranges, and wheat. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In March, there was increased monthly movement for cattle, strawberries, milk, and calves and decreased marketing of cotton, soybeans, onions, and apples.

March Prices Paid Index Up 0.6 Percent

The March Prices Paid Index for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW), at 140.2, is up 0.6 percent from February 2024 but down 1.1 percent from March 2023. Higher prices in March for feeder cattle, feeder pigs, nitrogen, and gasoline more than offset lower prices for complete feeds, hay & forages, LP gas, and concentrates.

For the full copy of *Agricultural Prices* report, please visit <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>. For state specific questions, please contact the following State Statisticians at 1-800-392-3202.

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