

KANSAS: The October **All Farm Products Index** of Prices Received by Kansas farmers, at 115 percent of the 1990-92 base, was up 3 points from September 2003 and up 13 points from October 2002. The **All Crops Index** in October, at 106 percent of the 1990-92 base, was down 1 point from September and down 12 points from 2002. The **Meat Animals Index**, at 124 percent of the 1990-92 base, was up 10 points from September and 38 points above last year. More detailed information regarding price indexes is shown in the first table on the back of this release.

Wheat prices in mid-October, at \$3.06 per bushel, were down 12 cents from September and \$1.50 below last October.

Corn prices in mid-October, at \$2.18 per bushel, were down 5 cents from September and 34 cents below last October.

Farmers received an average of \$3.54 per cwt. for **grain sorghum** in mid-October, down 13 cents from September and 82 cents below last October.

Soybean prices, at \$6.98 per bushel in mid-October, were up 70 cents from September and \$1.78 above last October.

All hay prices averaged \$72.00 per ton in mid-October, up \$2.00 from September but \$16.00 lower than last year. **Alfalfa hay** averaged \$77.00 per ton, unchanged from September but \$21.00 lower than last October. **Other hay**, at \$58.00 per ton, was unchanged from September but \$16.00 below last October.

All beef cattle were bringing an average of \$96.60 per cwt. in mid-October, up \$7.80 from September and \$29.40 above the price last October. **Cow** prices, at \$43.70 per cwt., were down \$1.70 from September but \$10.50 above the price last October. **Steers and heifers** averaged \$98.20 per cwt., up \$8.50 from September and \$29.90 above October 2002. **Calf** prices in mid-October were \$115.00 per cwt., up \$2.00 from September and up \$23.00 from October 2002.

The **all hog** price of \$35.40 per cwt. for mid-October was down \$1.40 from September but up \$7.70 from last October. **Sow** prices averaged \$31.30, up 20 cents from September and \$12.30 higher than October 2002. **Barrow and gilt** prices averaged \$36.00 per cwt. in mid-October, down \$1.70 from September but \$7.10 above last October.

September **lamb** prices were \$86.00 per cwt. **Sheep** prices averaged \$28.00 per cwt. in September.

Individual commodity prices are shown in the second table on the back of this release.

UNITED STATES: The **All Farm Products Index** of Prices Received in October was 113 percent of the 1990-92 base, up 3 points from September and 18 points above October 2002.

The October **All Crops Index** was 111, unchanged from September but 10 points above October 2002.

The October **Livestock and Products Index**, at 116, was up 6 points from last month and up 29 points from October 2002.

Index Numbers - Prices Received by Farmers, Kansas and United States

Product Group	Kansas			United States					
	1990-92=100%			1990-92=100%			1910-14=100%		
	Sep 2003	Oct 2002	Oct 15, 2003	Sep 2003	Oct 2002	Oct 15, 2003	Sep 2003	Oct 2002	Oct 15, 2003
PRICE RECEIVED									
All Farm Products	112	102	115	110	95	113	701	606	717
All Crops	107	118	106	111	101	111	545	500	547
Food Grains	113	162	109	110	128	106	350	407	336
Feed Grains & Hay				100	105	92	359	377	328
Feed Grains	99	114	96						
Hay	109	138	113						
Oil Seeds	114	95	127	97	90	116	530	494	633
Livestock & Products				110	87	116	846	664	887
Meat Animals	114	86	124	108	84	116	1,103	857	1,175
Dairy Products				110	93	113	885	744	910

Prices Received by Farmers and Feed Ratios, Kansas and United States

Commodity	Kansas			United States			
	Sep 2003	Oct 2002	Oct 15, 2003	Sep 2003	Oct 2002	Oct 15, 2003 Prices	
						Current	Parity ¹
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
All Wheat, bu	3.18	4.56	3.06	3.39	4.38	3.23	9.82
Corn, bu	2.23	2.52	2.18	2.20	2.34	2.02	6.71
Oats, bu				1.38	1.80	1.37	4.19
Barley, bu				2.88	2.64	2.61	6.64
Sorghum Grain, cwt	3.67	4.36	3.54	3.97	4.33	3.72	11.40
All Hay, ton	70.00	88.00	72.00	84.20	93.80	84.40	
Alfalfa, ton	77.00	98.00	77.00	89.00	102.00	88.80	
Other, ton	58.00	74.00	58.00	70.10	74.50	71.40	
Soybeans, bu	6.28	5.20	6.98	6.06	5.20	6.94	14.70
All Beef Cattle, cwt	88.80	67.20	96.60	85.10	64.60	91.60	163.00
Cows, cwt	45.40	33.20	43.70	44.90	33.60	44.70	
All Steers & Heifers, cwt.	89.70	68.30	98.20	89.40	68.60	97.40	
Calves, cwt	113.00	92.00	115.00	109.00	92.00	112.00	219.00
Hogs, cwt	36.80	27.70	35.40	39.60	30.80	37.70	104.00
Sows, cwt	31.10	19.00	31.30	30.80	19.20	31.10	
Barrows & Gilts, cwt	37.70	28.90	36.00	40.10	31.40	38.10	
Lambs, cwt ²	86.00	76.40		94.70	79.60		188.00
Sheep, cwt ²	28.00	24.50		32.10	25.60		80.20
Milk, cwt., avg. fat test ³				14.40	12.10	14.80	
Average fat test, percent ³				3.61	3.74	3.70	
Feed Ratios							
Hog-Corn	16.5	11.0	16.2	18.0	13.2	18.7	
Milk-Feed				3.11	2.46	3.23	

¹ U.S. Parity Prices based on 1910-14 base. ² Preliminary price not published. ³ Milk price reflects gross producer pay price before deducts for hauling and capital retain.

District Grain & Oilseed Prices

Agricultural Statistics District	Wheat per Bushel		Sorghum Grain per Cwt		Corn per Bushel		Soybeans per Bushel ¹	
	September 2003	October 15, 2003	September 2003	October 15, 2003	September 2003	October 15, 2003	September 2003	October 15, 2003
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Northwest	3.10	2.99	3.39	3.39	2.14	2.07		
West Central ..	3.16	3.03	3.62	3.48	2.29	2.25	5.53	6.80
Southwest	3.12	3.02	3.63	3.51	2.34	2.31		
North Central ..	3.22	3.06	3.73	3.57	2.15	2.06	6.01	6.81
Central	3.24	3.08	3.72	3.59	2.18	2.14	6.33	6.95
South Central ..	3.17	3.12	3.58	3.50	2.23	2.18	6.25	7.00
Northeast	3.19	3.09	3.86	3.72	2.13	2.06	6.31	7.00
East Central ...	3.26	3.07	3.83	3.61	2.08	2.06	6.39	7.06
Southeast	3.13	3.06	3.59	3.45	2.03	2.05	6.29	6.94
State	3.18	3.06	3.67	3.54	2.23	2.18	6.28	6.91

¹ Soybean prices for Northwest, Southwest, and West Central combined due to insufficient data.