

Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	31.50	35.90	36.90	28.20	34.20	34.60	---	---
Sows	Cwt.	21.00	26.90	28.10	18.80	23.00	24.20	---	---
Beef Cattle . .	Cwt.	60.20	65.90	69.70	58.00	63.80	66.10	43	152.0 0
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	61.00	66.60	70.80	61.40	67.10	70.10	---	---
Cows	Cwt.	31.90	34.40	33.90	30.50	34.60	34.50	---	---
Calves	Cwt.	79.50	91.00	92.00	75.70	90.90	92.00	48	193.0 0
Sheep	Cwt.	25.90	33.80	n/a	26.10	29.20	---	---	65.10
Lambs	Cwt.	64.40	71.30	n/a	67.60	75.30	--	---	156.0 0
Milk Cows . . .	Head	1,160.0 0	--	1,310.00	1,180.00	--	1,380.0 0	---	---
All Milk . . .	Cwt.	17.20	14.80	15.80	17.70	15.80	15.50	48	30.50
Milk, Fluid	Cwt.	17.20	14.70	--	17.80	15.80	15.60	---	---
Milk, Mfg. .	Cwt.	17.00	16.70	--	16.80	15.20	13.60	---	---

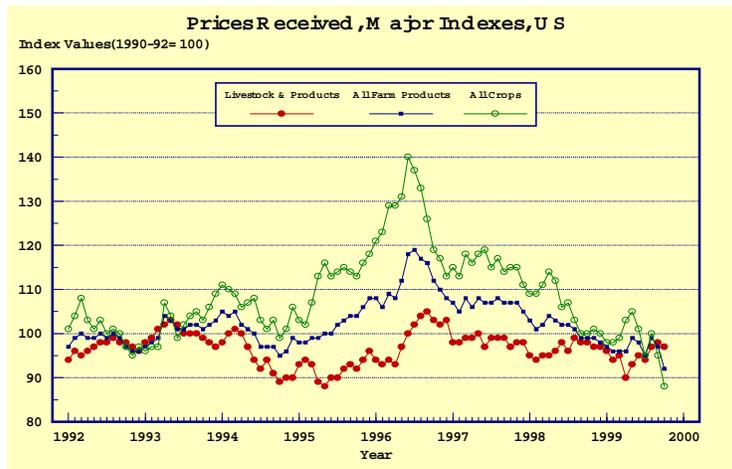
1/ Entire month average except hay and milk cows. *Parity price based on data for October 1999. n/a = not available.

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NEBRASKA PRICE INDEX NUMBERS
(1977=100)

Item	Oct. 1998	Sept. 1999	Oct. 15, 1999
All Farm Products	127	129	134
All Crops . . .	102	90	88
Food Grains .	122	108	101
Feed grains & Hay	98	86	84
Oil Bearing Crops	75	65	66
Miscellaneous Crops	135	134	133
Livestock & Products	142	154	162
Meat Animals .	140	155	163
Dairy Products	186	160	171



**PRICES RECEIVED FOR SELECTED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES,
BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES, 1998 AND 1999**

Month	All Wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef Cattle <u>1/</u>		All Hogs		
	1998	1999 <u>2/</u>	1998	1999 <u>2/</u>	1998	1999 <u>2/</u>	1998	1999 <u>2/</u>	1998	1999 <u>2/</u>	
	D o l l a r s		p e r		B u s h e l		D o l l a r s		p e r		C w t
January . .	3.32	2.84	2.56	2.06	6.69	5.32	62.50	59.00	36.00	26.30	
February .	3.27	2.73	2.55	2.05	6.57	4.80	60.40	60.60	35.90	27.60	
March . . .	3.33	2.65	2.55	2.06	6.40	4.61	61.30	62.40	34.90	27.80	
April . . .	3.18	2.62	2.41	2.05	6.26	4.63	63.00	62.70	35.60	30.20	
May	3.06	2.49	2.34	2.00	6.26	4.51	63.00	62.10	42.30	36.40	
June	2.77	2.50	2.28	1.97	6.16	4.44	61.80	63.70	42.40	34.20	
July	2.56	2.23	2.19	1.74	6.14	4.20	58.40	62.60	36.90	31.20	
August . . .	2.38	2.52	1.89	1.75	5.43	4.39	57.40	63.50	35.20	36.20	
September .	2.39	2.57	1.83	1.75	5.25	4.57	56.10	63.80	29.50	33.70	
October . .	2.77	2.49	1.91	1.66	5.18	4.49	58.00	66.10	27.80	34.10	
November .	2.95		1.93		5.40		58.10		18.80		
December .	2.86		2.01		5.37		56.80		14.70		

1/ Cows, steers and heifers. 2/ Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months are for the entire month.

POULTRY HIGHLIGHTS - SEPTEMBER

Item	1998	1999	'99% of '98
	Millions		Percen t
No. of Layers			
NEBRASKA . . .	10.3	11.4	110
30 States . . .	293.8	302.9	103
U.S.	311.3	322.2	104
Eggs Produced			
NEBRASKA	221	238	108
30 States . .	6,114	6,435	105

U.S.	6,480	6,850	106
Chickens, U.S.			
Hatched, September			
Egg-type .	37.9	38.8	102
Broiler .	695.3	699.7	101
Hatched thru September			
Egg-type .	336.8	344.4	102
Broiler .	6,386	6,588	103
	.1	.7	
Turkeys, U.S.			

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

September 1999 output and changes from last year and last month are shown below. September 1999 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays. September 1998 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays.

Cattle on feed October 1, 1999, in the historic 7 Monthly States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 8.78 million, up 5% from the previous year and 3% above October 1, 1997.

Marketings during September totaled 1.68 million, 7% above 1998 and 10% above 1997.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.35 million, 4% above 1998 and 3% above 1997. Other disappearance during September was 55,000 head, 8% above 1998 and 31% above 1997.

Item	Total 1/ (1,000)	% Change	
		Sept. 1998	Aug. 1999
<u>NEBRASKA</u>			
Cattle, head . . .	643.0	+7	-3
Hogs, head . . .	547.0	+3	+2
Sheep & Lambs, head	.1	Same	Same
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	589.5	+6	-1
<u>UNITED STATES</u>			
Cattle, head . . .	3,101.4	+4	-2
Calves, head . . .	120.5	-11	+1
Hogs, head . . .	8,644.3	+1	+3
Sheep & Lambs, head	307.3	Sm.+	+4
Red Meat, mil, lbs.	3,934.2	+3	+1

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED UP 8%

Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 1.9 million cattle on feed on October 1, this inventory was up 8% from last year and 3% above two years ago.

Fed cattle marketings for the month of September totaled 370,000 head, up 16% from last year, and 16% above September two years ago. Placements of cattle into feedlots during September totaled 580,000 head, up 2% from last year and 7% above two years ago. Other disappearance during September totaled 10,000 head compared with 10,000 head last year and 10,000 head two years ago.

**CATTLE ON FEED -- INVENTORIES, PLACEMENTS, MARKETINGS & OTHER DISAPPEARANCE,
1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS**

STATE	OCTOBER 1 NUMBER ON FEED 1/			SEPTEMBER PLACEMENTS		SEPTEMBER MARKETINGS			SEPTEMBER OTHER DISAPPEAR. 2/			
	1998	1999	1999 1998	1998	1999	1999 1998	1998	1999	1999 1998	1998	1999	1999 1998
	1,000 head		%	1,000 head		%	1,000 head		%	1,000 head		%
Arizona*	201	208	103	23	29	126	20	20	100	2	1	50
California						106		48		3	3	
*	395	380	96	53	56		50		96			100

Colorado*	1,000	1,070	107	370	330	89	205	210	5	10	200	
Idaho . .	245	310	127	68	80	118	41	54	132	2	1	50
Iowa* . .	260	315	121	68	60	88	42	44	105	1	1	100
Kansas* .	2,090	2,240	107	530	600	113	380	430	113	10	10	100
Nebraska*	1,760	1,900	108	570	580	102	320	370	116	10	10	100
New Mexico	90	91	101	16	23	144	15	12	80	1	1	100
Oklahoma	390	380	97	107	107	100	92	75	82	5	2	40
So. Dakota	136	111	82	41	32	78	28	30	107	1	1	100
Texas* .	2,670	2,670	100	640	690	108	560	560	100	20	20	100
Washington	189	246	130	64	75	117	35	43	123	1	1	100
Other Sts	355	345	97	110	97	88	75	61	81	0	1	0
		10,266	2,660			1,863	1,957	105	61	62		
U.S. . .	9,781	105	2,759	104					102			
		8,376	8,783	2,254			1,577	1,682	51	55		
7 States			105	2,345	104			107				

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. 2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

* Historical 7 States.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item & Quarter	Januaray-March		April-June		July-September	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
1 , 0 0 0 h e a d						
Milk cows <u>1/</u>						
Nebraska	70	72	69	73	69	74
20 States	7,718	7,705	7,717	7,723	7,706	7,745
United States	9,176	9,136	9,171	9,151	9,149	9,166
M i l l i o n p o u n d s						
Milk production <u>2/</u>						
Nebraska	292					
20 States	33,399	34,741	34,986	36,133	33,110	34,358
United States	39,164	40,540	40,821	41,980	38,519	39,800

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

U.S. COLD STORAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Frozen food stocks in refrigerated warehouses on September 30, 1999, were greater than year earlier levels for butter, chicken, pork, and fruit. Total red meat supplies in freezers were down 20% from the revised August 1999 data, but were 1% above September 1998. Total frozen poultry supplies were up 11% from last month, and were 21% above last year's level. Stocks on September 30 for selected items and changes from last year and last month follow:

Commodity	Stocks 1,000 lbs.	Percent Change	
		Sept. '98	Aug. '99
Total red meats	747,157	+1%	-11%
Beef . . .	291,946	-10%	-23%
Pork . . .	433,485	+11%	-1%
Poultry	1,583,137	+21%	+11%
Turkey . .	600,808	-14%	+4%

CASH RECEIPTS, BY COMMODITY GROUPS AND SELECTED COMMODITIES, NEBRASKA, 1994-98 1/

COMMODITY	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
			1,000 dollars		
All commodities	8,500,727	8,983,032	9,241,427	9,803,248	8,848,014
Livestock and	5,398,938	5,146,068	5,318,685	5,508,291	5,123,500
Meat animals	5,139,763	4,881,726	5,007,373	5,221,057	4,829,032
Cattle and	4,380,389	4,125,873	4,135,208	4,403,133	4,265,746
Hogs	751,851	744,898	860,485	805,808	553,336
Sheep and lambs	7,523	10,955	11,680	12,116	9,950
Dairy products	138,240	133,125	147,600	133,980	154,775
Milk, wholesale	138,240	133,125	147,600	133,980	154,775
Poultry/eggs	89,561	103,677	139,786	136,133	121,683
Broilers	6,552	6,696	4,788	3,075	2,808
Chicken eggs	60,810	74,702	109,247	106,990	96,965
Other poultry	3,450	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,610
Miscellaneous	31,374	27,540	23,926	17,121	18,010
Honey	2,218	3,197	4,485	3,147	3,853
Horses/mules	NA	NA	NA	9,600	9,800
All other	28,700	23,700	18,700	3,700	3,700
Crops	3,101,789	3,836,964	3,922,742	4,294,957	3,724,514
Food grains	236,438	337,056	299,743	220,142	204,894
Wheat	235,609	336,243	299,135	219,673	204,288
Feed crops	2,011,595	2,596,325	2,738,548	2,872,584	2,418,149
Corn	1,734,884	2,320,297	2,481,229	2,494,427	2,175,921
Hay	101,306	80,081	117,908	174,784	135,589
Oats	6,287	4,411	5,162	3,787	2,284
Sorghum grain	168,460	190,999	132,542	198,333	103,582
Oil crops	638,408	706,097	659,933	992,976	876,890
Soybeans	630,146	696,620	652,985	985,670	868,012
Vegetables	100,252	103,988	122,681	112,292	130,431
Beans, dry	64,383	70,483	87,934	65,636	71,200
Potatoes	27,029	27,775	26,097	37,906	50,481
Summer	9,424	8,361	5,847	8,250	9,307
Fall	17,605	19,414	20,250	29,656	41,174
Misc.	8,840	5,730	8,650	8,750	8,750
Fruits/nuts	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
Other berries	200	200	200	200	200
Misc. fruits &	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
All other crops	113,796	92,198	100,537	95,663	92,850
Sugarbeets	54,896	40,798	40,537	36,063	33,250
Other seeds	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Other field	40,000	31,100	38,100	36,100	36,100
	16,400	17,800	19,400	21,000	21,000

NA = not available. 1/ USDA estimates and publishes individual cash receipt values only for major commodities and major producing States. The U.S. receipts for individual commodities, computed as the sum of the reported States, may understate the value of sales for some commodities, with the balance included in the appropriate category labeled "other" for "miscellaneous." The degree of underestimation in some of the minor commodities can be substantial.

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