



California Field Crop Review

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CALIFORNIA FIELD CROP VALUES BY COMMODITY

Crop and Year a/	Acres Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production	Unit	Average Price b/	Value of Production
	1,000		1,000		Dollars	\$1,000
Corn 2008	170	5.46	928.2	Tons	170.36	158,126
For 2009	160	5.04	806.4	Tons	152.86	123,264
Grain 2010	180	5.46	982.8	Tons	185.71	182,520
Corn 2008	495	26.5	13,118	Tons	---	---
For 2009	385	26.0	10,010	Tons	---	---
Silage 2010	425	26.5	11,263	Tons	---	---
Oats 2008	25	1.28	32.0	Tons	250.00	8,000
For 2009	30	1.68	50.4	Tons	203.13	10,238
Grain 2010	25	1.52	38.0	Tons	218.75	8,313
Barley 2008	60	1.32	79.2	Tons	256.25	20,295
For 2009	55	1.30	71.3	Tons	145.42	10,365
Grain 2010	75	1.39	104.4	Tons	147.92	15,443
Winter 2008	400	2.55	1,020.0	Tons	233.33	238,000
Wheat 2009	330	2.40	792.0	Tons	184.33	145,992
For Grain 2010	360	2.40	864.0	Tons	178.33	154,080
Durum 2008	145	3.15	456.8	Tons	251.00	114,644
Wheat 2009	170	3.00	510.0	Tons	199.33	101,660
For Grain 2010	105	3.30	346.5	Tons	208.33	72,188
Rice 2008	517	83.2	43,030	Cwt.	27.50	1,183,325
2009	556	86.0	47,804	Cwt.	19.60	936,958
2010	553	80.2	44,326	Cwt.	17.80	789,003
Cotton, 2008	117.0	1,506	367.0	Bales	285.12	104,639
Upland 2009	70.0	1,646	240.0	Bales	346.08	83,059
Lint c/ 2010	123.0	1,639	420.0	Bales	504.00	211,680
Cotton, 2008	151.0	1,281	403.0	Bales	476.16	191,892
American 2009	116.0	1,494	361.0	Bales	561.60	202,738
Pima c/ 2010	180.0	1,216	456.0	Bales	873.60	398,362
Cottonseed 2008	---	---	280.0	Tons	254.00	71,120
2009	---	---	275.0	Tons	262.00	72,050
2010	---	---	349.0	Tons	251.00	87,599
Hay, 2008	1,610	5.85	9,414	Tons	191.00	1,797,032
All d/ 2009	1,540	5.77	8,890	Tons	104.00	926,660
2010	1,470	5.60	8,236	Tons	119.00	971,090
Hay, 2008	1,030	7.00	7,210	Tons	204.00	1,470,840
Alfalfa 2009	1,000	7.00	7,000	Tons	107.00	749,000
2010	920	6.80	6,256	Tons	125.00	782,000
Hay, 2008	580	3.80	2,204	Tons	148.00	326,192
All Other 2009	540	3.50	1,890	Tons	94.00	177,660
2010	550	3.60	1,980	Tons	95.50	189,090
Beans, 2008	51.9	18.50	960	Cwt.	61.40	58,944
Dry Edible 2009	69.0	22.80	1,575	Cwt.	50.80	80,010
e/ 2010	63.0	23.20	1,462	Cwt.	46.00	67,252
Sugar 2008	25.3	41.6	1,052	Tons	49.10	51,653
Beets 2009	25.2	43.9	1,106	Tons	48.90	54,083
f/ 2010	25.1	40.0	1,004	Tons	g/	g/

CALIFORNIA FIELD CROP VALUE

Estimates of acres harvested, yield and production have been released for major field crops grown in California for 2010, 2009 and 2008.

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a/ Data for 2010 is preliminary.
b/ Marketing year average prices. Does not include allowances or adjustments for commodities under a government loan at the end of the marketing year, commodities forfeited to the Commodity Credit Corporation, loan deficiency payments, direct or counter cyclical payments, or disaster payments.
c/ Cotton yield in pounds; production in 480-pound net weight bales; lint price on hundredweight basis. The 2010 price is the average to January 1, 2011.
d/ Estimated marketings of alfalfa and other hay are used as weights to calculate all hay price.
e/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed.
f/ Relates to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central California and to year of planting for over-wintered beets in central and southern California.
g/ Not available.

CALIFORNIA FIELD CROP PRICES - JANUARY 2011

Prices received by California farmers at mid-January were above December 2010 for dry edible beans, all potatoes, fall potatoes, all types of hay and alfalfa hay. Prices for other types of hay were below the previous month. Mid-January prices for wheat and cottonseed were not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. There were insufficient data to establish a Mid-January price for barley, spring potatoes and upland cotton lint. Prices were above a year earlier for dry edible beans, all potatoes, fall potatoes, all types of hay, other types of hay, and alfalfa hay.

U.S. PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in January, at 169 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 11 points (7.0 percent) from December. The Crop Index is up 20 points (11 percent), but the Livestock Index was unchanged. Producers received higher prices for corn, cattle, wheat, and soybeans and lower prices for eggs, turkeys, milk, and broilers. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of soybeans, corn, cattle, and rice offset decreased marketings of cotton, wheat, and apples.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 29 points (21 percent) from January 2010. The Food Commodities Index, at 160, increased 7 points (4.6 percent) from last month and is up 22 points (16 percent) from January 2010.

The January All Crops Index is 195, up 11 percent from December and 27 percent above January 2010. Indexes increased for feed grains & hay, oilseeds, and food grains more than offset the index decreases for other crops.

The January Food Grains Index, at 237, is 12 percent above the previous month and 35 percent higher than a year ago. The January all wheat price, at \$246.67 per ton, is up \$31.67 from December and \$83.34 above January 2010.

The January Feed Grains & Hay Index is 226, up 12 percent from last month and 43 percent above a year ago. The corn price, at \$191.79 per ton, is up \$19.65 from last month and \$61.08 above January 2010. The all hay price, at \$112.00 per ton, is unchanged from December, but up \$6.00 from last January. Sorghum grain, at \$9.89 per cwt., is \$1.10 above December and \$4.05 above January last year.

The January Cotton Index, at 137, is up 3.0 percent from December and 37 percent above last year. The January price, at 82.9 cents per pound, is up 2.0 cents from the previous month and 22.1 cents above last January.

The January Potatoes & Dry Beans Index, at 147, is up 1.4 percent from last month and 11 percent above January 2010. The all potato price, at \$8.87 per cwt., is up 18 cents from December and \$1.70 from last January. The all dry bean price, at \$24.10 per cwt., is down 20 cents from the previous month and \$7.00 below January 2010.

AVERAGE FARM PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS ^{a/}

Commodity	Unit	CALIFORNIA			UNITED STATES		
		January 2010	December 2010	Jan 15, 2011	January 2010	December 2010	Jan 15, 2011
Dollars							
Corn b/	Tons	---	---	---	130.71	172.14	191.79
Wheat b/	Tons	183.33	213.33	c/	163.33	215.00	246.67
Oats b/	Tons	---	---	---	136.88	185.00	190.00
Barley b/	Tons	c/	c/	d/	195.00	160.00	168.75
Sorghum Grain b/	Cwt.	---	---	---	5.84	8.79	9.89
Rice b/	Cwt.	---	---	---	15.00	12.80	13.70
Dry Edible Beans b/	Cwt.	58.50	43.70	46.30	31.10	24.30	24.10
All Potatoes e/	Cwt.	8.60	8.60	8.70	7.17	8.69	8.87
Winter f/	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Spring	Cwt.	d/	d/	d/	---	---	---
Summer f/	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Fall	Cwt.	8.60	8.60	8.70	---	---	---
All Hay, Baled b/	Tons	111.00	134.00	142.00	106.00	112.00	112.00
Alfalfa Hay, Baled b/	Tons	115.00	140.00	151.00	111.00	121.00	121.00
Other Hay, Baled b/	Tons	91.00	109.00	103.00	97.70	94.60	95.30
Upland Cotton Lint b/	Lbs	c/	c/	d/	0.608	0.809	0.829
Cottonseed	Tons	d/	c/	c/	149.00	163.00	165.00

a/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers. They are averages for all grades, classes, and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

b/ Previous month revised to monthly average.

c/ Not published to avoid possible disclosure of operations.

d/ Insufficient data to establish a price.

e/ Monthly average.

f/ Beginning in 2010, winter and summer potatoes included in spring potatoes.

INDEX NUMBER OF PRICES RECEIVED AND PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES

Index	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	Jan 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Jan 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011
Prices Received						
All Farm Products	886	1,001	1,070	140	158	169
All Crops	756	865	968	153	175	195
Food Grains	556	671	751	175	212	237
Feed Grains and Hay	564	721	804	158	202	226
Cotton	515	685	702	100	133	137
Potatoes and Dry Edible Beans	667	735	744	132	145	147
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities,						
Services, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates ^{a/}	2,407	2,507	2,574	181	188	193
Parity Ratio ^{b/}	37	40	42	77	84	88

a/ All production indexes as of 15th of month.

b/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Farm Wage Rates.

FEBRUARY 1 FALL POTATO STOCKS

California's fall potato stocks totaled 1.20 million cwt. as of February 1, 2011, down 8 percent from last year. February 1 stocks accounted for 53 percent of production, compared with 33 percent last year.

The 13 major potato States held 176 million cwt. of potatoes in storage February 1, 2011, down 14 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 50 percent of the 2010 fall storage States' production, three percentage points below February 1, 2010. Klamath Basin stocks totaled 2.50 million cwt. on February 1, 2011, down 11 percent from a year ago. Klamath Basin stocks include potatoes stored in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Potato disappearance, at 176 million cwt., was 3 percent below February 1, 2010. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 16.6 million cwt., was down 12 percent from the same date in 2010. Processors in the 9 major States have used 91.9 million cwt. of potatoes this season, up 1 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 13.6 million cwt. of the total processing, down 20 percent from last year.

FALL POTATO PRODUCTION AND FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS BY STATE a/

State	Crop of 2009			Crop of 2010		
	Production	Total Stocks Feb. 1, 2010	Percent of Production	Production	Total Stocks Feb. 1, 2011	Percent of Production
	1,000 Cwt.		Percent	1,000 Cwt.		Percent
California	3,960	1,300	33	2,280	1,200	53
Colorado	22,080	12,200	55	21,528	11,400	53
Idaho	132,500	78,500	59	114,440	64,000	56
Maine	15,263	9,300	61	15,892	9,300	59
Michigan	15,660	5,300	34	15,660	5,900	38
Minnesota	20,700	9,900	48	17,010	8,400	49
Montana	3,298	3,200	97	3,673	3,400	93
Nebraska	8,756	4,100	47	7,719	3,400	44
New York	4,950	1,400	28	5,120	1,200	23
North Dakota	19,125	9,000	47	22,000	10,300	47
Oregon	21,460	12,900	60	20,058	12,700	63
Washington	87,230	42,000	48	81,740	33,800	41
Wisconsin	28,980	14,400	50	24,293	10,700	44
13-STATE TOTAL	383,962	203,500	53	351,413	175,700	50
Klamath Basin b/	---	2,800	---	---	2,500	---

a/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant the following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2010 totaled 23.7 million cwt.

b/ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Included in the 13 State total.

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