



AGRICULTURAL PRICES

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Prices Received by Florida Farmers

Florida citrus producers received \$7.73 per box in April for oranges and \$3.37 per box for grapefruit. The April milk price was \$23.30 per hundredweight, 30 cents above March, but \$2.80 above April 2012. The April peanut price was 0.258 dollars per pound, down from 0.353 in April 2012.

States Price Index

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in April, at 189 percent, based on 1990-92=100, decreased 12 points (6.0 percent) from March. The Crop Index is down 21 points (8.8 percent) and the Livestock Index decreased 1 point (0.6 percent). Producers received higher prices for hogs, milk, potatoes, and oranges and lower prices for corn, lettuce, eggs, and strawberries. 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 movement of cattle, strawberries, milk, and broilers offset the decreased marketing of corn, soybeans, wheat and hay. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 11 points (6.2 percent) from April 2012. The Food Commodities Index, at 177, decreased 7 points (3.8 percent) from last month but increased 11 points (6.6 percent) higher than April 2012.

Index Summary Table

Index	April 2012	March 2013	April 2013
Prices received.....	178	201	189
Prices paid	215	220	220
Ratio prices received to prices paid	83	91	86

Average Price Received by Farmers

[Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months and are for the entire month.]

Commodity	Florida			United States		
	April 2012	March 2013	April 2013	April 2012	March 2013	April 2013
MEAT ANIMALS						
Cows ¹ dollars per cwt				85.50	82.90	81.70
Steers & heifers ¹ dollars per cwt				128.00	128.00	128.00
Calves ¹ dollars per cwt				178.00	160.00	158.00
Hogs, all ¹ dollars per cwt				62.80	59.20	61.10
MILK, all²..... dollars per cwt	20.50	23.00	23.30	16.80	19.10	19.30
POULTRY						
Broilers, live ¹ dollars per pound				0.500	0.660	0.650
Table eggs ¹ dollars per dozen				0.641	0.952	0.646
CITRUS, ON TREE						
Oranges..... dollars per box	9.00	7.30	7.73	9.53	7.55	8.10
Grapefruit..... dollars per box	(S)	4.80	3.37	10.20	4.95	3.51
White..... dollars per box		4.57	4.15			
Colored..... dollars per box		4.95	2.77			
Tangerines and Mandarins..... dollars per box	9.00	14.42	(S)	(D)	24.92	(D)
Tangelos..... dollars per box	(S)	(S)	(S)	(S)	(S)	(S)
FIELD CROPS						
Potatoes..... dollars per cwt	(D)	(D)	(D)	10.75	8.72	9.26
Hay, All baled..... dollars per ton				192.00	196.00	200.00
Peanuts..... dollars per pound	0.353	0.309	0.258	0.351	0.277	0.260
Corn ¹ dollars per bushel				6.34	7.13	6.67
Cotton, Upland ¹ dollars per pound				0.904	0.753	0.748
Soybeans ¹ dollars per bushel				13.80	14.60	14.20
Wheat, Winter ¹ dollars per bushel				6.47	7.62	7.31
VEGETABLES						
Beans, snap ¹ dollars per cwt				71.30	113.00	(NA)
Corn, sweet ¹ dollars per cwt				22.90	33.30	(NA)
Cucumbers ¹ dollars per cwt				22.30	(S)	(NA)
Tomatoes ¹ dollars per cwt				26.70	53.50	(NA)

(NA) Not available

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

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

¹ Only marketing year average prices are estimated for Florida, except broilers, and eggs which are not estimated.

² Before deductions for hauling and government withholding, and includes quantity and other premiums, but excludes hauling subsidies.

Highlights-United States Prices Received by Farmers April 2013

All Crops: The Index, at 218, decreased 8.8 percent from March but is 4.3 percent above April 2012. The decreases for feed grains and hay, and commercial vegetables, fruits & nuts, and oilseeds more than offset the index increase for potatoes and dry beans.

Food Grains: The Index, at 243, is 2.0 percent below the previous month but 6.1 percent above a year ago. The April price for all wheat, at \$7.52 per bushel, is down 26 cents from March, but 41 cents above April 2012.

Feed Grains and Hay: The Index, at 288, is down 5.9 percent from last month but 5.5 percent above a year ago. The corn price, at \$6.67 per bushel, is down 46 cents from last month but 33 cents above April 2012. The All Hay price, at \$200.00 per ton, is up \$4.00 from March and \$8.00 higher than last April. Sorghum grain, at \$11.40 per hundredweight, is 80 cents below March but 80 cents above April last year.

Cotton, Upland: The Index, at 123, is down 0.8 percent from March and 17 percent below last year. The April price, at 74.8 cents per pound, is down 0.5 cents from the previous month and 15.6 cents below last April.

Oilseeds: The Index, at 247, is down 2.8 percent from March but unchanged from April 2012. The soybean price, at \$14.20 per bushel, decreased 40 cents from March but is 40 cents above April 2012.

Potatoes and Dry Beans: The Index, at 162, is up 3.2 percent from last month but 17 percent below April 2012. The all potato price, at \$9.26 per hundredweight, is up 54 cents from March but down \$1.49 from last April. The all dry bean price, at \$34.60 per hundredweight, is down \$3.00 from the previous month and \$12.30 below April 2012.

Fruits and Nuts: The Index, at 161, is down 9.0 percent from March and 3.6 percent lower than a year ago. The price decreases for grapefruit more than offset price increases for oranges and lemons. The index change is also impacted by non-citrus commodities based only on administrative data.

Commercial Vegetables: The Index, at 166, is down 28 percent from last month but 19 percent above April 2012. The index change is impacted by vegetable commodities based only on administrative data.

Livestock and Products: The Index, at 163, is 0.6 percent below last month but up 7.2 percent from April 2012. Compared with a year ago, prices are down for calves, turkeys, and hogs. Prices for broilers, milk, and market eggs are higher than last year. All beef cattle prices are unchanged from a year ago.

Meat Animals: The Index, at 159, is up 0.6 percent from last month but 1.9 percent lower than last year. The April hog price, at \$61.10 per hundredweight, is up \$1.90 from March but \$1.70 lower than a year ago. The April beef cattle price of \$124.00 per hundredweight is unchanged from last month and April 2012.

Dairy Products: The Index, at 148, is up 1.4 percent from a month ago and 15 percent higher than April last year. The April all milk price of \$19.30 per hundredweight is up 20 cents from last month and \$2.50 from April 2012.

Poultry & Eggs: The index, at 188, is down 4.6 percent from March but 18 percent above a year ago. The April market egg price, at 64.6 cents per dozen, decreased 30.6 cents from March and is 0.5 cents higher than April 2012. The April broiler price, at 65.0 cents per pound, is down 1.0 cent from March but 15.0 cents above a year ago. The April turkey price, at 67.2 cents per pound, is up 2.2 cents from the previous month but down 6.5 cents from a year earlier.

Prices Received for Selected Agricultural Commodities by month - United States: 2012 and 2013

[Current month prices are mid-month; prices for previous months are for the entire month. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month	All wheat		Corn		Soybeans		Beef cattle ¹		All hogs	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(dollars per bushel)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)	(dollars per cwt)					
January	7.05	8.12	6.07	6.96	11.90	14.30	125.00	126.00	63.50	63.80
February	7.10	7.97	6.28	7.04	12.20	14.60	127.00	123.00	65.50	64.50
March	7.20	7.78	6.35	7.13	13.00	14.60	128.00	124.00	65.20	59.20
April	7.11	7.52	6.34	6.67	13.80	14.20	124.00	124.00	62.80	61.10
May	6.67		6.34		14.00		122.00		62.80	
June	6.70		6.37		13.90		121.00		70.20	
July	7.93		7.14		15.40		114.00		72.10	
August	8.04		7.63		16.20		117.00		66.90	
September	8.27		6.89		14.30		121.00		55.70	
October	8.38		6.77		14.20		123.00		62.00	
November	8.46		7.02		14.30		123.00		61.10	
December	8.29		6.87		14.30		124.00		62.40	

¹ Includes cows, steers, and heifers.