



News Release

Michigan April Agricultural Prices

Prices received by Michigan farmers for the full month of April 2015 are listed in the table below.

Some Michigan highlights were: April corn, at \$3.78 per bushel, increased \$0.04 from March and decreased \$0.90 from last year; April soybeans, at \$10.00 per bushel, increased \$0.09 from last month and decreased \$4.50 from last year; April wheat, at \$6.18 per bushel, increased \$0.20 from March and decreased \$0.60 from last year; April milk, at \$16.20 per cwt., was unchanged from last month, and decreased \$9.20 from last year.

The April Prices Received Index (Agricultural Production), at 104, increased 2.0 percent from March. The Crop Production Index, at 89, increased 3.5 percent. At 116, the Livestock Production Index decreased 0.9 percent. Producers received higher prices for broilers, cattle, onions, and hay but lower prices for market eggs, hogs, corn, and oranges. In addition to prices, the indexes are impacted by the five-year average monthly mix of commodities producers market. Increased monthly movement of strawberries, milk, broilers, and oranges offset the decreased marketing of corn, cattle, soybeans, and hay.

The Prices Received Index is down 9.6 percent from the previous year. The Food Commodities Index, at 111, increased 0.9 percent from the previous month but is down 11 percent from April 2014.

Prices Received by Farmers¹, April 2015

Commodity	Michigan			United States		
	Apr 2014	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	Apr 2014	Mar 2015	Apr 2015
Beans, dry edible..... dollars/cwt	49.50	46.20	39.80	36.50	33.80	32.20
Corndollars/bu	4.68	3.74	3.78	4.71	3.81	3.75
Hay, alfalfadollars/ton	150.00	170.00	175.00	207.00	172.00	184.00
Hay, otherdollars/ton	105.00	140.00	130.00	156.00	136.00	142.00
Oats.....dollars/bu	4.26	3.25	3.28	3.96	2.91	2.81
Potatoes dollars/cwt	13.10	(D)	(D)	9.92	9.21	9.82
Soybeansdollars/bu	14.50	9.91	10.00	14.30	9.84	9.70
Wheat, winterdollars/bu	6.78	5.98	6.18	7.07	5.55	5.50
Milk, all dollars/cwt	25.40	16.20	16.20	25.30	16.60	16.50
Milk cow replacements ²dollars/head	1,850.00		2,100.00	1,810.00		1,970.00

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

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

² Quarterly weighted average price for the months February to April