



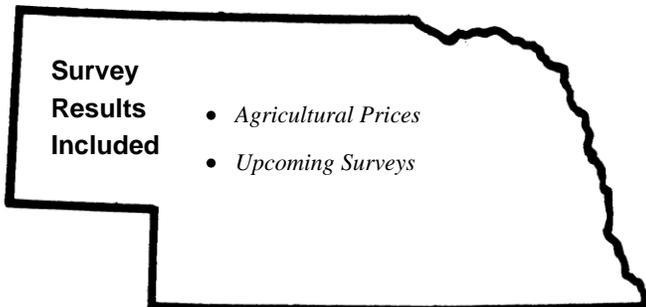
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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office. Thank you for your response to these surveys.

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Prices Received By Farmers

The preliminary United States All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in April, at 177 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, decreased 7 points (3.8 percent) from March. Producers received lower prices for broilers, corn, cattle, and eggs and higher prices for soybeans, onions, hay, and oranges. 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 soybeans, corn, wheat, and cotton. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 1 point (0.6 percent) from April 2011.

Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary April 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States		
		April 2011 ¹	March 2012 ¹	April 2012 ²	April 2011 ¹	March 2012 ¹	April 2012 ²
		<i>Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		
Wheat, All	Bushel	7.56	6.33	6.10	8.01	7.19	6.87
Corn	Bushel	6.18	6.25	6.10	6.36	6.35	6.14
Oats	Bushel	3.91	4.33	3.80	3.54	3.79	3.60
Grain Sorghum	Cwt	11.60	10.90	10.40	11.70	10.90	10.40
Soybeans	Bushel	12.90	12.70	13.40	13.10	13.00	13.80
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	76.00	129.00	128.00	143.00	181.00	190.00
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	80.00	140.00	139.00	161.00	201.00	207.00
Other, Baled	Ton	66.00	99.00	98.00	105.00	139.00	140.00
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	32.70	40.90	44.90	31.80	47.10	47.90
Hogs	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.80 ³	65.20 ³	62.60 ³
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	68.20 ³	65.50 ³	62.80 ³
Sows	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57.90 ³	59.60 ³	56.50 ³
Beef Cattle	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	119.00 ³	128.00 ³	125.00 ³
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	122.00 ³	132.00 ³	129.00 ³
Cows	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.90 ³	84.20 ³	84.90 ³
Calves	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	147.00 ³	184.00 ³	179.00 ³

¹Entire month average except hay. ²Preliminary. ³Price data source is USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service.

(NA) Not Available – State prices discontinued.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, April 30, 2012

Prices Paid for Machinery -- United States, 2010-2012

Item	March	March	March	Item	March	March	March
	2010	2011	2012		2010	2011	2012
<i>Dollars</i>				<i>Dollars</i>			
Baler, pick-up, PTO				Grain drill, most common spacing (cont.)			
Square, bales under 200 pounds	21,900	23,100	23,400	Minimum no till w/fert. attach., 15 foot	41,500	43,300	43,900
Round, 1200-1500 pound bale	25,100	25,900	27,300	Hay rake, side-delivery, or wheel rake,			
Round, 1900-2200 pound bale	36,600	37,700	39,400	Traction drive, 8-12 foot working width	7,440	7,320	7,430
Chisel plow, max. 1 ft. depth, chisel or				Hay tedder, 15-18 foot	6,890	6,990	7,090
sweep type, drawn or mounted				Manure spreader, conveyer type, PTO			
16-20 foot	26,100	26,500	26,300	2-wheel, with tires			
21-25 foot	33,900	36,100	35,800	141-190 bushel capacity	9,740	9,830	11,000
Combine, self-propelled with grain head				225-310 bushel capacity	13,500	14,200	15,500
Extra large capacity	315,000	335,000	365,000	Mower-conditioner, PTO, pull type with			
Large capacity	257,000	275,000	295,000	14-16 foot, sickle (cutter) bar or disc	30,600	32,700	33,900
Corn head for combine				Mower, mounted or drawn			
6-row	40,000	41,200	42,600	7-8 ft. sickle (cutter) bar	7,070	7,720	7,930
8-row	52,500	53,800	58,100	Planter, row crop			
Cultivator, row crop, 8-row	17,400	17,900	17,300	With fertilizer attachment, 8-row	42,900	43,100	44,900
12-row, flexible	23,300	26,500	28,500	With fertilizer attachment, 24-row	153,000	158,000	168,000
Disk harrow, tandem ¹				12-row, conservation (no-till conditions)	75,300	79,800	84,500
18-20 foot	28,800	29,700	29,700	Rotary hoe, 20-25 foot	12,700	13,200	13,900
21-25 foot	35,100	36,800	37,400	Rotary cutter, 7-8 foot	4,580	4,340	4,370
Elevator, portable, without power unit,				Sprayer, field crop, power, boom type			
Auger type, 8 inch diameter, 60 foot	6,820	7,470	9,030	(excl. self-propelled and orchard)			
Feed grinder-mixer, trailer mtd., PTO	28,300	30,800	35,000	Tractor mounted, w/300 gal. spray tank	7,370	7,460	7,530
Field cultivator, mounted or drawn				Trailer type, w/500-700 gal. spray tank	19,600	18,900	18,900
17-19 foot	20,800	21,000	20,300	Tractor, 2-wheel drive			
20-25 foot, flexible	28,300	28,400	29,400	110-129 PTO horsepower	78,000	80,400	82,000
Forage harvester, shear bar, class II or III				140-159 PTO horsepower	114,000	123,000	128,000
With pick-up attachment	43,800	46,600	48,000	190-220 PTO horsepower	163,000	172,000	185,000
With row crop unit, 2-row	47,200	51,400	54,100	Tractor, 4-wheel drive			
Front-end loader, hydraulic, tractor				200-280 PTO horsepower	198,000	216,000	223,000
mounted, 1800-2500 pound capacity,				281-350 engine horsepower	222,000	234,000	246,000
60-inch bucket	6,550	6,640	6,810	351-500 engine horsepower	256,000	277,000	296,000
Grain drill, most common spacing				Wagon, gravity unload, box and running			
Plain, 15-17 openers	24,200	22,200	22,200	gear and tires, without side extensions			
Press, 23-25 openers	36,600	38,700	40,500	200-400 bushel capacity	7,210	7,950	8,560
With fertilizer attachment, 20-24 openers	29,600	31,000	31,200	Windrower, self-propelled, 14-16 foot	101,000	102,000	115,000

¹ Drawn with hydraulic lift transport wheels, tires.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, April 30, 2012

Prices Paid for Fertilizer -- Northern Plains and United States, 2010-2012

Item	Northern Plains			United States		
	March	March	March	March	March	March
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
	<i>Dollars per Ton</i>			<i>Dollars per Ton</i>		
10-34-0	399.00	740.00	766.00	422.00	675.00	701.00
11-52-0	518.00	715.00	738.00	535.00	740.00	762.00
18-46-0 (DAP)	494.00	705.00	726.00	508.00	703.00	726.00
Ammonium nitrate	353.00	445.00	487.00	398.00	479.00	506.00
Anhydrous ammonia	474.00	744.00	774.00	499.00	749.00	783.00
Muriate of potash - 60-62% K ₂ O	507.00	598.00	635.00	511.00	601.00	647.00
Nitrogen solutions - 28% N	256.00	368.00	381.00	261.00	369.00	388.00
Nitrogen solutions - 32% N	295.00	418.00	431.00	303.00	403.00	426.00
Superphosphate - 44-46% P ₂ O ₅	345.00	519.00	532.00	507.00	633.00	665.00
Urea - 44-46%	421.00	501.00	528.00	448.00	526.00	554.00

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, April 30, 2012

Prices Paid for Feed -- Northern Plains and United States, 2010-2012

Item	Unit	Northern Plains ¹			United States		
		March 2010	March 2011	March 2012	March 2010	March 2011	March 2012
		<i>Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		
Alfalfa meal	Cwt.	21.60	19.70	20.90	23.80	24.00	25.30
Alfalfa pellets	Cwt.	21.50	22.50	23.80	23.20	24.10	25.60
Bran	Cwt.	23.40	24.80	27.00	22.70	24.70	26.00
Beef cattle concentrate							
32-36% protein	Ton	438.00	501.00	519.00	413.00	498.00	521.00
Corn meal	Cwt.	9.05	13.00	14.30	12.80	17.10	18.50
Cottonseed meal, 41%	Cwt.	21.80	22.00	22.80	25.40	26.60	27.40
Dairy feed							
14% protein ²	Ton	247.00	318.00	343.00	264.00	333.00	349.00
16% protein ²	Ton	391.00	414.00	451.00	274.00	369.00	383.00
18% protein ²	Ton	(S)	561.00	625.00	284.00	365.00	379.00
20% protein ²	Ton	(S)	558.00	606.00	274.00	356.00	361.00
32-38% protein concentrate	Ton	457.00	531.00	584.00	419.00	522.00	538.00
Hog feed							
14-18% protein ^{2,3}	Ton	363.00	429.00	452.00	303.00	385.00	404.00
38-42% protein concentrate	Ton	478.00	590.00	605.00	446.00	563.00	575.00
Molasses, liquid	Cwt.	19.00	17.40	17.70	21.30	22.30	23.40
Poultry feed ²							
Broiler grower	Ton	(S)	513.00	483.00	456.00	502.00	560.00
Chick starter	Ton	(S)	517.00	541.00	485.00	541.00	554.00
Laying feed	Ton	367.00	468.00	483.00	374.00	450.00	475.00
Turkey grower	Ton	421.00	524.00	563.00	434.00	495.00	510.00
Soybean meal, 44%	Cwt.	21.60	25.80	26.70	23.80	26.80	27.60
Soybean meal, over 44%	Cwt.	18.60	22.60	23.20	21.20	24.80	25.50
Stock salt	50 Lb.	4.72	4.93	5.17	5.92	6.18	6.33
Trace mineral blocks	50 Lb.	7.03	7.53	7.75	8.02	8.16	8.52

¹ Northern Plains States: Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota. ² Complete ration feed, fed without mixing or supplementation.

³ Excluding pig starter. (S) Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, April 30, 2012

Prices Paid for Seeds -- United States, 2010-2012

Item	Unit	March 2010	March 2011	March 2012
Legumes			<i>Dollars</i>	
Alfalfa				
Proprietary	Cwt.	379.00	411.00	425.00
Public and common	Cwt.	273.00	284.00	299.00
Clover				
Ladino	Lb.	3.49	3.21	3.31
Red	Cwt.	213.00	200.00	208.00
Row Crops				
Corn, hybrid biotech	80,000 kernels	247.00	249.00	263.00
Corn, hybrid non-biotech	80,000 kernels	152.00	163.00	167.00
Grain sorghum	Cwt.	165.00	162.00	166.00
Potatoes	Cwt.	12.90	14.40	15.90
Soybeans, biotech	Bu.	53.50	51.00	53.20
Soybeans, non-biotech	Bu.	33.90	33.50	35.30
Sunflower	Cwt.	729.00	897.00	931.00
Small grains				
Oats, spring	Bu.	7.78	8.34	8.71
Wheat, winter	Bu.	13.70	15.40	15.90

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, April 30, 2012

Prices Paid for Fuels -- Northern Plains and United States, March 2010-2012

Item	Northern Plains			United States		
	March 2010	March 2011	March 2012	March 2010	March 2011	March 2012
	<i>Dollars per Gallon</i>			<i>Dollars per Gallon</i>		
Gasoline ¹						
Service Station	2.815	3.542	3.775	2.787	3.543	3.832
Bulk Delivery	2.857	3.561	3.790	2.818	3.575	3.854
Diesel ² , Bulk Delivery	2.501	3.486	3.637	2.540	3.533	3.712
L.P. Gas ² , Bulk Delivery	1.718	1.862	1.893	2.014	2.176	2.237

¹ Includes federal, state and local per gallon taxes. ² Excludes federal and state excise tax.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, April 30, 2012

June Agricultural Surveys

The mid-year acreage, grain stocks, and hog inventory surveys will be conducted between May 29 – June 15. These surveys are the basis for the official statistics released by USDA’s Agricultural Statistics Board.

USDA RELEASE DATES

*June 29, 7:30 am CDT Acreage
 June 29, 7:30 am CDT Grain Stocks
 June 29, 2:00 pm CDT Quarterly Hogs & Pigs*

*Survey results will be available on the Internet at
<http://www.nass.usda.gov> within minutes after the
 release.*

If contacted, please take a few minutes to respond by either mail, internet, or phone. Your assistance ensures accurate survey results.

Thanks,

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