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# Prices Received Standardized Questionnaire Research Project

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Prices Received Specification Team requested assistance from the Data Quality Research Section (DQRS) of the Research and Development Division (RDD) in designing and testing a standardized Crops and Oilseed Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire that was consistent across all program states. This new questionnaire had to be able to accommodate the unique situations existing in each state and was required to follow established NASS formatting guidelines.

The goal of this research project was to design and test a new standardized version of the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire, and to collect supplemental data to determine if survey results would be different under the two forms. The research design did not allow the determination of whether the standardized form or the current form performed better at collecting prices received information.

A two-phase research plan was developed to create and test this standardized questionnaire. The first phase of the plan consisted of designing and pretesting the new standardized questionnaire in several states. The second phase consisted of a comparison of the new and existing questionnaires using a supplemental sample in selected states. Data from the supplemental sample were summarized and compared to corresponding summarized data from the operational sample for these states.

Results from this project produced little evidence to suggest that there are differences between the estimates produced from data obtained from the current and standardized questionnaires. Both forms are adequate for collecting information for the Prices Received by Farmers Survey. The final decision about which form will be used to collect information for the Prices Received by Farmers Survey will come from the Prices Received Specifications Team.

In addition, the author has two recommendations outside the goals outlined for this project. These recommendations are: conducting detailed Operation Profile initial interviews and including more detailed instructions within the sections of the questionnaire.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. This author strongly recommends continuing conducting detailed Operation Profile initial interviews. Collecting high quality information during the initial interview may help answer questions when collecting monthly prices received data. This interview can help identify items which the respondent cannot complete correctly or cannot estimate for each month. It can also help to educate respondents of all the details they need to be aware of when reporting monthly prices and quantities.
- 2. The author also recommends including more detailed instructions within the sections of the questionnaire. This could help improve the quality of the data collected. Interviewers should be instructed to go over these instructions with the respondents during the initial interview.



# PRICES RECEIVED STANDARDIZED QUESTIONNAIRE RESEARCH PROJECT 1

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KEY WORDS: Standardized questionnaires, Prices Received, pretesting

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) conducts the Prices Received by Farmers Survey in 30 states on a monthly basis. Most of the program states utilize different questionnaire versions. The questionnaire versions accommodate differences commodities across states as well as a variety of unit-related issues and personal preferences (e.g., font size, paper size, use of logos, etc.). The Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaires are mailed to the respondents. who are asked to complete them and either mail or fax them back to the state offices. Nonresponse follow up is performed by telephone enumerators in most states.

In addition to the survey questionnaire, states are required to complete an Operation Profile form for everyone in the sample. The profiles have three main functions: to screen out respondents who do not purchase any of the commodities of interest from farmers, to document any item that the respondent cannot complete correctly or cannot estimate for each month, and to educate respondents of all the details they need to be aware of when calculating monthly prices and quantities.

The accuracy of the data collected is of extreme importance since Counter-Cyclical Payments from the Federal Government through the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 are made based, in part, on the reported commodity prices. These prices are one of the primary components used to calculate the amount of the payments made to the farmers. A one-cent difference in the market year average price could result in a change either way, of more than \$80 million in payments to corn producers, over \$70 million to cotton producers, and more than \$20 million each to soybean and wheat producers.

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#### 2. METHODS

# 2.1 Phase 1: Standardized Questionnaire Design and Pretest

The first phase of this research plan consisted of designing a standardized Prices Received by

Farmers Survey questionnaire that addressed the needs of each of the program states, yet was consistent across them. The details of Phase 1 are as follows.

DQRS reviewed all questionnaire versions used in the program states to identify unique situations that existed across states. It was found that questionnaire versions among states varied mostly in the paper size and font size used. Some states also included additional questions pertaining to their individual programs.

The DQRS drafted a standardized questionnaire (see Appendix A) which was circulated for comments to all program states, the Environmental, Economic, and Demographics Branch (EEDB), the Crops Branch (CB), the Questionnaire Design Section (QDS) and other involved parties. Their comments were evaluated and changes were made to the questionnaire.

The final draft of the questionnaire was pretested using cognitive interviews. Face-toface pretest interviews were conducted with firms in the current operational sample. DORS prepared a cognitive interview protocol for all interviewers to use. The pretest protocol included probing questions to assess the respondents' understanding of the instructions on the questionnaire, as well as whether or not the instructions were actually ·used. teleconference was conducted in early May 2003 with all the states which were asked to participate in the pretest. The purpose of this teleconference was to go over all pretesting materials which included: the Instructions for Pretesters, the Pretest Probe Ouestionnaire, the Interview Rating Form, and the new version of the state Questionnaires and Instructions (see Appendices B - E).

There were sixty-two pretest interviews conducted in ten states: seven interviews in Montana, six in Wisconsin, six in North Dakota, seven in Tennessee, three in Louisiana, seven in Wyoming, five in California, seven in Colorado, six in Nebraska, and eight in Ohio. Interviewers were asked to conduct three or four of their pretest interviews with operators in the highest stratum because the second part of this research plan did not include operators in these strata.

DQRS reviewed all pretest interview comments and recommendations. Results from the cognitive pretest were presented to the members of the Prices Received Specifications Team. Appendix F contains the detailed Cognitive Pretest Findings Report. Changes were made to the draft standardized questionnaire based on these results.

The final standardized questionnaire was circulated for comments to all program states, the Environmental, Economic, and Demographics Branch (EEDB), the Crops Branch (CB), the Questionnaire Design Section (QDS), and other involved parties for comments. Since no additional pretesting took place, changes to the questionnaire at this stage were kept to a minimum.

#### 2.2 Phase 2: Supplemental Sample

The second phase consisted of a comparison of data collected from the new and existing questionnaires using a supplemental sample during the data collection period from July through November 2003. The supplemental sample received the new standardized version of the questionnaire, while the operational sample received the current questionnaire. The following states were included in the study: Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota,

Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Texas (see Appendix I for final questionnaires). Five months of data were collected for those states in which the new samples began in July (Kansas, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Texas) and two months of data for those states in which the new samples began in October (Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, and Ohio).

The supplemental sample sizes for the states were obtained by looking at the population counts, the current sample sizes and the amount of allowable year-to-year overlap for each stratum (in each state). Supplemental samples were only drawn from states with strata for which population counts allowed samples of the same size as the operational samples to be drawn without interfering with the operational samples or with future years' overlap restrictions. These requirements made the sample sizes very small for most of the states and raises the question of whether or not the results may be generalized to the entire Prices Received population. Many strata (generally the large strata) had to be excluded from the supplemental sample. Table 1 provides more information on the supplemental sample.

States were instructed to use the same data collection procedures for both the supplemental and operational samples, including the completion of the operation profiles and any monthly non-response follow up. The purpose of the supplemental sample was to test level differences in summarized data obtained from the current and new questionnaires.

Table 1: Supplemental Sample Sizes

State	Supplemental Sample by Stratum (Stratum : Description : Sample Size)	Total Supplemental Sample Size	New Sample Starts
Illinois	1 : GP <sup>1</sup> ASD <sup>2</sup> 1-5 C/B <sup>3</sup> 1-499 : 18 2 : GP ASD 1-5 C/B 500-999 : 17 3 : GP ASD 1-5 C/B 1000-1999 : 23 6 : GP ASD 6-9 1-999 : 17	75	October
Iowa	1 : GP Cap <sup>4</sup> 1-999 : 40 2 : GP Cap 1000-1999 : 16 6 : BUYERS <sup>5</sup> (810=5, 16, 17) : 17	73	October
Kansas	1 : GP Cap 1-999 : 18	18	July
Kentucky	1 : 1-99 : 22 2 : 100-499 : 9	31	October
Minnesota	1 : GP Other 1-499 : 14 4 : GP D <sup>6</sup> 40 1-499 : 4 5 : GP D 40 500-1499 : 6	24	July
Missouri	4 : Buyers-SML <sup>7</sup> (810=16) : 12	12	October
Nebraska	1 : OTHER 1-999 : 31	31	October
North Dakota	1 : GP 1-499 : 20	20	July
Ohio	1 : GP Cap 1-199 : 19 2 : GP Cap 200-499 : 18 3 : GP Cap 500-999 : 15	52	October
South Dakota	1 : GP Cap 1-499 : 20 5 : Barley (810=5) : 10	30	July
Texas	1 : GP Cap 1-499 : 27 2 : GP Cap 500-999 : 15	42	July
Total		408	

<sup>1</sup> GP = Grain Prices

#### 3. RESULTS

#### 3.1 Phase 1: Cognitive Pretest Interviews

Presented below are the most common findings between the states from the pretest interviews and the actions that were taken.

• "None" boxes - Some respondents found

these boxes to be a nuisance, causing more work than they wanted to do. Many respondents ignored the "none" boxes. Other respondents liked having the "none" boxes to check those commodities that they did not purchase.

**Action:** "None" boxes were removed from the questionnaire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ASD = Agriculture Statistics District

 $<sup>^{3}</sup>$  C/B = Capacity in bushels

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Cap = Capacity

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> BUYERS = Buyers of grains

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> D = District

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> SML = Small grain buyers

"Unit of quantity" boxes - Respondents were used to having the pre-printed unit of quantity on the current version of the questionnaire and assumed it was the same way on the new standardized version of the questionnaire. During the probing part of the interview, they realized that they had not marked a unit of quantity. Other respondents really liked being able to select the appropriate unit of quantity.

Some respondents marked the unit of quantity incorrectly because they thought they had to check the box to the right of the specified unit or were confused and did not know which box had to be marked.

Action: Check boxes were removed from the questionnaire. In the final draft of the questionnaire, respondents were asked to circle the correct unit rather than check a box in the final draft of the questionnaire.

 Rounding the total gross value to the nearest dollar - respondents did not notice the preprinted zero in the total gross value column.

**Action:** Preprinted zeros were removed from the questionnaire.

 Use of instructions - Most respondents did not read the instructions provided with the questionnaire. Many of the respondents have been completing the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire for several months or years and are already familiar with the instructions.

Action: Instructions were redesigned. More instructions were included within the sections of the questionnaire. A full page of instructions was given to the respondent at

the initial profile interview. The initial profile interviews collect specific information about sample operations. In addition, short instruction inserts were mailed each month with the questionnaire.

#### 3.2 Phase 2: Supplemental Sample

## 3.2.1 Editing and Summarization Procedures

Data from the supplemental sample were edited at the state offices using a modified Survey Processing System (SPS) edit. After the files were cleaned of reporting errors, they were transmitted to headquarters for summarization.

The supplemental sample data were reviewed by staff from the DQRS using the Interactive Data Analysis System (IDAS). States did not have access to data review in IDAS. The range between the lower and higher prices was compared for each state for each data collection period. When discrepancies were found (e.g., prices either too low or too high), the specific state was contacted and asked to review the original data and make the necessary corrections.

The supplemental sample data were summarized using a modified version of the SPS operational Prices Received by Farmers Survey summary. The modifications only addressed issues related to the structure and makeup of the actual data set; these modifications did not result in methodological differences between operational and supplemental samples in the summarization of data.

This summary produced *pseudo*-national level average price per unit estimates by commodity. These were described as *pseudo* estimates

because they only reflected the states and strata that were included in the supplemental sample. Sample variances were also produced for the estimates. Comparable *pseudo*-national level average price per unit estimates and variances were produced from operational sample data using only the states and strata that were included in the supplement. All variances were calculated by the SPS summary using standard NASS methods.

The *pseudo*-national level estimates produced from the supplemental and operational sample data were compared to determine statistical differences. Since the estimates being compared were averages and the sample design was equivalent to a stratified simple random sample, standard two-tailed *t*-tests were performed to compare the estimates for each commodity.

To justify the use of the standard two-tailed ttest, three assumptions must be met: (a) the data must be from a normal distribution, (b) the data must be obtained from simple random samples, and (c) the operational and supplemental samples must be independent. Strictly speaking. the last two of these assumptions were violated, although the violations are mitigated somewhat by the manner in which the samples and the two-tailed *t*-test were handled. Since the operational and supplemental samples share no operations, they are mutually exclusive. However, since they were drawn from the same population, they are not independent. standard errors used in the two-tailed t-tests took into account the stratified design which would tend to make the test conservative.

Since the two-tailed *t*-test was not completely appropriate for this analysis, the *pseudo*-national level operational results and supplemental sample results were also compared using "within standard error ranges". These

comparisons were performed by taking the average price for each commodity and creating a range by subtracting and adding the average's standard error (or a multiple of its standard error) for both the *pseudo*-national level operational sample and the supplemental sample. The resulting two ranges were then compared and if the ranges overlapped, the averages were considered within the standard error range and deemed not to be significantly different.

The data tables comparing operational and supplemental data are presented in Appendix J. These tables are organized by their corresponding data collection periods (July, August, September, October, and November). There are three types of tables for each data collection period. The first type of table compares pseudo-national level operational results and supplemental sample results based on standard two-tailed t-test. The second type of table presents pseudo-national level operational results and supplemental sample results based on "within standard error ranges". The third type of table presents a comparison of the average mid-month price for the operational sample to the average mid-month price for the supplemental sample. Mid-month prices are collected for the commodities purchased and received for the three day period around the 15<sup>th</sup> No statistical tests were of the month. conducted on these estimates because the SPS summary did not produce standard errors for them.

When comparing operational versus supplemental sample results, it is important to look at the sample sizes involved in the comparisons. Small sample sizes can produce misleading results that would not hold with larger sample sizes. In addition, statistical significance was determined at the 0.05 level,

and may not hold at different levels.

Table 2 presents a summary of all the data collected. The first two columns summarize the information presented in the tables that compare the pseudo-national level operational and supplemental sample results based on the standard two-tailed t-test. The first column presents the number of months for which data were reported for the specified crops. second column presents the number of times the difference between the operational supplemental data was found to be statistically significant using a standard two-tailed t-test at the 0.05 level. Summarized results for the standard two-tailed *t*-test comparison show that twelve crop estimates were found to be statistically significant.

The last four columns of the table summarize the information for the "within standard error ranges" comparisons. These columns present the number of times the operational and supplemental sample ranges overlapped when using the specified multiple of their standard error. For each data collection period,• the observations for the specified commodities were counted only once, at the lowest multiple of standard error for which the two ranges overlapped. When two ranges overlapped at the smallest multiple of their standard errors (0.5), it indicated small differences between the operational and the supplemental sample estimates.

Summarized results for the "within standard error range" comparison show that for most of the commodities the two ranges overlap within 0.5 times the standard error. This indicates only small differences between the operational and the supplemental sample estimates. Commodity estimates that did not overlap even at 2.0 times

the standard error (showing zeros in the last four columns of the table) indicate large differences between the two estimates. The small sample sizes associated with most of the commodities may be responsible for the larger differences between the two estimates. These findings may not hold for larger sample sizes. Observations were counted only once, at the lowest standard error in which the two ranges overlapped. Dashes (-) in the table indicate that no observations occurred which were not already counted at a lower level.

## 3.2.2 Observations From the Completed Ouestionnaires

The following observations come from an individual review of all the questionnaires with reported data.

- For the month of August, the wrong month was printed in the column for total quantity purchased for the full month. This column reads: "Total Quantity Purchased in June" when it should have read "Total Quantity Purchased in July". The instructions before this section were printed correctly, they read "Total Quantity Purchased in July". This problem happened in the following states: South Dakota, North Dakota, and Texas. This may have caused some reporting errors.
- For the month of November, the wrong month was printed in column for total quantity purchased for the full month. This column reads "Total Quantity Purchased in September" when it should have read "Total Quantity Purchased in October." This problem happened in Missouri, and Kentucky. This may have caused some reporting errors.

Table 2: Summary of results from tables J-1, J-2, J-4, J-5, J-7, J-8, J-10, J-11, J-13, and J-14

Commodity	Number of Months	Number of Times Difference	Lowest	Standard Er Ove	ror where T	wo Ranges
Commounty	Reporting 1/	i i	0.5 SE	1.0 SE	1.5 SE	2.0 SE
Barley, Feed	5	2	1	1	1	1
Barley, Malting	3	0	0	0	0	0
Barley, All	5	1	2	-4/	-	1
. Canola	3	1	0	0	0	0
Corn, White	0	0	0	0	0	0
Corn, All	5	1	1	2	1	-
Corn, Yellow	5	1	1	2	1	-
Dry Edible Beans, Navy	0	0	0	0	0	. 0
Dry Edible Beans, Pinto	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dry Edible Beans, All	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wheat, Durum	2	1	0	0	0	0
Flaxseed	2	0	0	0	1	-
Oats	5	0	3	2	-	_
Dry Peas	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rye	0	0	0	0	0	0
Soybeans	5	0	1	2	2	-
Sorghum	5	1	3	1	-	-
Sunflower, Non-Oil	0	0	0	. 0	0	0
Sunflower, Oil	5	1	0	2	-	1
Sunflower, All	5	1	1	1	-	1
Wheat, All Hard Red	5	0	1	3	1	-
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	5	1	3	•	1	1
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	5	0	2	1	2	-
Wheat, All	5	0	1	3	1	-
Wheat, All Other Spring	5	1	3	-	1	1
Wheat, Soft Red Winter	2	1	1	-	-	1
Wheat, All Winter	5	0	2	1	2	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>/ Number of months where there was a positive number of reports for both the operational and the supplemental

Standard two-tailed *t*-test, significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level

3/ For each data collection period, observations were counted at the lowest standard error in which the two ranges overlapped.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>/ Dashes (-) in the table indicate that no observations occurred which were not already counted at a lower level.

- Most crops purchased were reported in bushels except for the following crops in the specified states:
  - 1. Sunflower, Oil Type: reported mostly in hundredweight (cwt.) but also in bushels in: South Dakota, North Dakota; reported in hundredweight in Minnesota.
  - 2. Sunflower, Non-oil type: reported in hundredweight (cwt.) in South Dakota
  - 3. Canola: reported in hundredweight (cwt.) in North Dakota.
  - 4. Winter Wheat: reported in bushels and pounds in Texas; reported in hundredweight (cwt.) and bushels in Kansas
  - 5. Yellow Corn: reported in pounds and hundredweight (cwt.) in Texas.
  - 6. Corn (Yellow and White): reported in bushels and pounds in Minnesota.
  - 7. Sorghum: reported in pounds, hundredweight (cwt.) and bushels in Texas; reported in bushels and hundredweight (cwt.) in Kansas.
  - 8. Oats: reported in pounds and bushels in Minnesota.
- Respondents made marks on the form or wrote "none" next to the commodity name to specify that they had not purchased any of the prelisted crops. This was done very frequently in all the states.
- Respondents incorrectly marked the unit of

- reporting.
- Respondents did not circle the reporting
- Respondents reported the total quantity purchased including decimals (not rounding).
- Respondents reported dollars and cents for the total value instead of reporting in whole dollars.
- Some respondents could only provide the total quantity purchased and the average price per unit purchased (not the total value of the quantity purchased). Calculations were performed at the state offices to come up with the right values.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

Results from this project produced little evidence to suggest that there are differences between the estimates produced from data obtained from the current and standardized questionnaires. Both forms are adequate for collecting information for the Prices Received by Farmers Survey. The final decision about which form will be used to collect information for the Prices Received by Farmers Survey will come from the Prices Received Specifications Team.

The greatest limitation of this project was the fact that the supplemental samples were drawn from only selected states and strata. This made the sample size very small for most of the states raising the question of whether or not the results may be generalized to the entire Prices Received population.

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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Form Approved O.M.B. Number 0535-0003 Approval Expires 12/31/04 Project Code 172 QID 050100

Dear Reporter:

North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 3166 Fargo, ND 58108-3166 1-800-626-3134 Fax: 701-239-5613

E-mail: nass-nd@nass.usda.gcv

Please make corrections to name, address and Zip Code, if necessary.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

Your report is essential to accurately estimate prices and quantities sold. This survey is voluntary. Individual reports are combined to estimate State and U.S. prices. Information from individual reports is kept strictly confidential. Please mail your report in the enclosed envelope which does not need a stamp. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Hartwig State Statisticion

State Statistician

Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may FAX your completed report to: 701-239-5613 If you have questions about your report, please call: 1-800-626-3134

1. Report Total Grains And Oilseeds Purchased And Delivered From Farmers in February 2003:

If none purchased, please check "None" and GO TO item 2 on back. Quantities purchased and Total Gross Values should be comparable for the month. Additional instructions are included with this questionnaire to assist you in completing the form.

Commodity (Report all varieties grades and qualities		Total Quantity	Unit of Commodity	Total Gross Value (Whole Dollars)
Com (Yellow & White)	None	011	DBU. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	015 \$
Feed Barley	None	051	Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	055 \$
Malting Barley	None	071	Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	075 \$ .50
Winter Wheat	None	091	xxx Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	095 \$
Durum Wheat	None	111	xxx Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	115 \$
Other Spring Wheat	None	131	xxx Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	135 \$ @6
Soybeans	None	211	Date of the second seco	215 \$ 1010 ·
Oats	None	231	xxx Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	235 \$ 10,0 \( \)
Flaxseed	None	271	DBu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	275 \$
Sunflower, Oil Type	None	292	xxx Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	295 \$ GG1
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	None	312	Dox Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	315 \$ @[0]
Pinto Beans	None	352	Bu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	355 \$ [9]0
Navy Beans	None	372	DBu. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	375 \$ 400
Other Dry Edible Beans	None	332	DBU. Cwt. Tons Lbs.	335 \$
Rye	None	391	xxx ☐ Bu. ☐ Cwt. ☐ Tons ☐ Lbs. 1 2 3 4	395 \$

Appendix A ☐ Check if your accounting period is other than a calendar month, then please specify period covered: to 2. MID-MARCH PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were purchased Meach 12, 13 & 14. 2003. If no purchases were made during this period please check "None". **Average Price Unit of Price** Commodity (Report all varieties, grades Corn (Yellow & White) None 011 D Bu. Cwt Tons \$ Lbs. Feed Barley None 051 2000 ☐ Bu. ☐ Tons CWL Lbs. Malting Barley None Bui. \$ ☐ CwŁ Tons Lbs. Winter Wheat None 091 ☐ Bu. CWL. ☐ Tons Lbs. **Durum Wheat** None 111 XXX ☐ Bu. ☐ Tons Lbs. ☐ CwL Other Spring Wheat 131 None Bu. \$ Cwt\_ Tons Lbs. Soybeans None 211 2000 ☐ Bu. C Lbs. \$ Cwt. ☐ Tons Oats None 231 XXX ☐ Bu. Lbs. CwL ☐ Tons 271 Flaxseed None Bu. ☐ Tons \$ Cwt\_ Ubs. Sunflower, Oil Type None 292 2000 🗆 Bu. Lbs. \$ Cwt. ☐ Tons Sunflower, Non-Oil Type None 312 XXX 🔲 Bu. Cwt. ☐ Tons Lbs. Pinto Beans 352 None Bu. \$ CWL. ☐ Tons Ubs. Navy Beans 372 None хоох D Bu. CWL Tons Ubs. Other Dry Edible Beans ☐ Bu. ☐ Cwt ☐ Tons C Lbs. \$

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#### Grain Prices Received by Farmers Standardized Questionnaire Research Project

#### **Instructions for Pretesters**

#### General:

This document provides instructions for completing pretest interviews for the Grain Prices Received by Farmers project.

#### **Preparation:**

Materials needed:

- 1. New version of Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire
- 2. Instructions for completing the Prices Received by Farmers Survey
- 3. Interview Rating Form
- 4. Pretest Probe Questionnaire
- 5. Previous version of the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire
- 6. Pencils

Print out and make copies of your state's new version of the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire for respondents to complete. Also make enough copies of the Pretest Probe Questionnaire and the Interview Rating Form. You will ask respondents the questions on the Pretest Probe Questionnaire after they have finished completing the new version of the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire. The Interview Rating Form will be used to take notes during the interview (you will probably need a few for each interview).

You will need copies of the previous version of the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire to show respondents **after** completing the new version of the form. The last few questions on the Pretest Probe Questionnaire ask respondents to look at both the new and old forms and provide feedback about which one they think is easier to complete.

You should complete seven (7) interviews. Each interview should be conducted on firms that are in the current Crops Prices Received by Farmers sample. If possible, complete the interviews with the person who normally completes the Prices Received by Farmers Survey questionnaire each month. Three of your interviews should be from respondents in the highest (EO) strata. You may select the specific firms from your operational sample yourself. Your time should be charged to project code 172.

#### **Beginning the Pretest Interview:**

Before you ask respondents to begin filling out the questionnaire, you should give them the following information: Instruct them to complete the questionnaire as if they had received it in the mail. Tell the respondent that this is a DRAFT form and there may be parts that are confusing or difficult. Finally, inform the respondents that we would like to know about any problems they have filling it out or understanding what is being asked for.

Observe the respondent filling out the questionnaire, making notes anywhere they seem to hesitate, have problems answering, change their answers, etc. An Interview Rating Form has been provided to make this easier for you.

We would like them to complete the questionnaire with as little disruption as possible to simulate how they would actually complete it were they to get it in the mail and *not have any interviewer present*. DO NOT give the respondent any help in answering the questions while they are completing it. If they ask questions or for clarification, tell the respondent to complete it as they would if you were not there.

#### **Pretest Probes:**

AFTER they have completed the entire form, follow up with the respondent and ask about any problem areas you observed. You may also use the Interview Rating Form to record these. You will proceed to ask the questions on the Pretest Probe Questionnaire. Any questions the respondent had while they were completing the form you can answer now (if you know the answer). Make note of these questions.

#### **Summary Reports:**

Once you have finished your interviews, please write up a summary of them and send all materials back by May 28 to Dan Beckler / Zulma Riberas, Research and Development Division, Data Quality Research Section, 3251 Old Lee Highway, Room 305, Fairfax, VA 22030-1504.



# GRAIN PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

#### PRETEST PROBE QUESTIONNAIRE

	POID:
	Firm Name:
F o n g u	ntroduction: We are in the process of testing a new format design for the Prices Received by Farmers survey questionnaire. I'm going to ask you to fill but the report form. Please complete the form as if you had received it in the nail. This is a DRAFT form and parts of it may be confusing or difficult. Our goal is to find out about any problems you may have completing it or understanding what is being asked for. I also will ask you some general questions about how you came up with your answers.
	eral Question
1.	Did you use the instruction sheet included with the questionnaire?  100 1 YES 2 DON'T KNOW 3 NO
Item	1: Total Grains and Oilseed Purchased and Delivered From Farmers
1.	Did you have any problems reporting for the pre-listed commodities the total quantity purchased and delivered from farmers?  101 YES 2 DON'T KNOW 3 NO
2.	Were you able to select from the specified units?  102
3.	Did the total gross value you reported relate to the total quantity you reported?  103
4.	Did you report the total gross value to the nearest dollar?  104
5.	Did you mark the "none" boxes for the commodities you did not have?  105 1 YES 2 DON'T KNOW 3 NO

6.	Did you report any truck buyers?	grain purchased from other <sup>2</sup> DON'T KNOW	r grain elevators, firms, brokers or <sup>3</sup> □ <b>NO</b>
7.		grain purchased from prod	ucers or firms in other countries?
8.		grain purchased for resale <sup>2</sup> DON'T KNOW	as seed? ³ □ <b>NO</b>
9.	feed vs. malting bar purchase?		grain may change over time (e.g. intended use at the time of the
10.	during the reporting		vidual transactions from farmers
11.	Did you report grain	n purchased on a "wet" bus ntinue <sup>2</sup> DON'T KNOW	hel basis? Go to 12 ³ ☐ <b>NO</b> Go to 12
	11a. If so, did you 112 <b>YES</b> Co	u convert to a standard mointinue <sup>2</sup> DON'T KNOW	isture quantity? Go to 12 <sup>3</sup> □ <b>NO</b> Go to 12
	11b. If yes, how d	id you do this conversion?	
12.	Did the Total Gross farmers during the r		individual transactions from
	114 1 YES	<sup>2</sup> ☐ DON'T KNOW	³ □ NO
13.	(e.g. test weight, procontent in Total Gro	otein content, foreign matte ss Value reported?	oremiums only for quality factors er, damage, etc.) or moisture
	115 1 YES	<sup>2</sup> ☐ DON'T KNOW	³ □ NO
14.	Gross Value reporte	ed?	ing or service fees in the Total
	116 YES	<sup>2</sup> ☐ DON'T KNOW	³ □ NO
15.	river or rail terminal	remiums for direct delivery in the Total Gross Value re <sup>2</sup> DON'T KNOW	by farmers to mill, processor, or ported?

16.	Did you report cash sales, forward contracts and deferred payment contracts in the month when the purchaser takes ownership and payment is made?  118
17.	Did you have any basis, minimum price, option, or hedge-to-arrive contracts?  119  1 VES Continue 2 DON'T KNOW Go to 18  3 NO Go to 18
	17a. If so, did you report them in the month the grain was delivered?  120    1    YES    2    DON'T KNOW    3    NO
18.	Did you have any delayed pricing or no price established contracts?  121
	18a. If so, did you report them in the month when price was determined?  122   1  YES   2  DON'T KNOW   3  NO
19.	Did you report any pooled grain?  123
	19a. If so, had you received the major portion of the payment when you reported it?  124  1  YES  2  DON'T KNOW  3  NO
20.	For any commodity, did you report the quantities purchased without the value?  125  1 VES Continue  2 DON'T KNOW Go to item 2, 3 NO Go to item  Question 1  2, Question 1
	20.a If so, for which commodity (ies)? What is (are) the value(es)?
	Commodity 126 Value 127
Item 2	2: Mid-Month Prices
1.	Did you report the average price for the specified commodities that you purchased during the period of May 14, 15, and 16?  201
2.	Were you able to select the appropriate unit of price from those listed on the

	quest		ire? YES	2 🔲 [	Ι Τ'ΜΟΟ	KNOW	3 [	□ №		
3.	Did yo		e the "n	one" b	oxes if r	no purchas	ses we	re made (	during the	specified
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4.	Do th	e mid	-month YES	prices	reflect t DON'T I	he starting <b>(NOW</b>		price(s)? <b>NO</b>		
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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Form Approved C.M.B. Number 0535-0003 Approval Expires 12/31/04 Project Code 172 QID 050100

California

California Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 1258 Sacramento, CA 95812 1-800-851-1127 Fax: 1-888-478-5637 E-mail: nass-ca@nass.usda.gov Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and raties, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

Your report is essential to accurately estimate prices and quantities sold. This survey is voluntary. Individual reports are combined to estimate State and U.S. prices. Information from individual reports is kept strictly confidential. Please mail your report in the enclosed envelope.

Please make corrections to name	, address and	Zip Code, if	necessary
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Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

1-888-478-5637 1-800-851-1127 Vic Tolomeo
State Statistician

Sincerely.

Report Total Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Delivered from Farmers in May 2003:
 If none purchased, please check "None" and GO TO item 2. Quantities purchased and Total Gross Values should be comparable for the month. Additional instructions are included with this questionnaire to assist you in completing the form.

COMMODITY Report all varieties grades, and qualitie	s, es	TOTAL QUANTITY	UNIT OF QUANTITY Check One	TOTAL GROSS VALUE Who!e Dollars
Com (Yellow & White)	None	011	012 □¹Bu. □²Cwt. □³Tons □⁴Llos.	013 \$ 00
Oats	None	231	232	233 \$ 200
Winter Wheat	None	091	092 □ 1 Bu. □ 2 Cwt. □ 3 Tons □ 4 Libs.	93 \$ 
Durum Wheat	None		112 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Libs.	113 \$ 201
Barley	None	051	052 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ <sup>4</sup> Libs.	\$ 000

2. MID-JUNE PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were purchased June 11, 12 & 13, 2003. If no purchases were made during this period please check "None".

COMMOD Report all var grades, and q	ieties,		AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	UNIT OF PRICE Check One
Winter Wheat	None	094 <b>\$</b>	•	095 □¹Bu. □²Cwt. □³Tons: □⁴Lbs.
Durum Wheat	None	114 <b>\$</b>		115
Barley	None	054 <b>\$</b>	· — —	055 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.

Would you like to receive a free copy of the results of this survey in the mail?

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Report QUANTITIES and TOTAL GROSS VALUE only for grain purchased directly from U.S. farmers.

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- Do not report any grain purchased from producers or firms in other countries.
- Do not report any grain purchased for resale as seed.
- For purchases where the intended use of the grain may change over time (e.g., feed vs. malting barley), report for the
  intended use at the time of purchase.

Quantities purchased and Total Gross Value should be comparable and complete. DO NOT report the quantities purchased one month and the gross value for these purchases in a different month.

#### How to Report Quantities Purchased and Received:

Total Quantity equals quantities purchased and received from farmers summed over all individual transactions during the reporting period.

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#### How to Report Total Gross Value:

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- Add premiums for direct delivery by farmers to mill, processor, or river or rail terminal.

Report Total Gross Value before deductions for itemized expenses billed to farmers, such as-

- · Transportation or handling charges from the farm to point of first sale.
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Colorado

Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service 645 Parfet St, Room W-201

E-mail: nass-co@nass.usda.gov

Lakewood, CO 80215-0969 1-800-392-3202 Fax: 303-236-2299

Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

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Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call: 303-236-2299 1-800-392-3202 R. Renée' Picanso State Statistician

Sincerely.

1. Report Total Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Delivered from Farmers in May 2003: If none purchased, please check "None" and GO TO item 2 on back. Quantities purchased and Total Gross Values should be comparable for the month. Additional instructions are included with this questionnaire to assist you in completing the form.

COMMODITY Report all varieties grades, and qualitie		TOTAL QUANTITY	UNIT OF QUANTITY Check One	TOTAL GROSS VALUE Whole Dollars
Corn (Yellow & White)	None	011	012 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.	013 <b>\$</b> .00
Oats	None	231	$232$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Winter Wheat	None		092 □ <sup>1</sup> Bu. □ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. □ <sup>3</sup> Tons □ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ .00
Spring Wheat	None		132 □ <sup>1</sup> Bu. □ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. □ <sup>3</sup> Tons □ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ .00
Malting Barley	None		072 □¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.	\$ .00
Feed Barley	None		$052$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	053 \$ .00
Sorghum	None		$252$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00

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COMMODITY  Report all varietie  grades, and qualit	es, ies		AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	UNIT OF PRICE Check One
Corn (Yellow & White)	None	014 <b>\$</b>	•	015  1 Bu. 2 Cwt. 3 Tons 4 Lbs.
Winter Wheat	None	094 <b>\$</b>	·	095 □¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.
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Louisiana

Louisiana Agricultural Statistics Service 5825 Florida Blvd, Room 1179 Baton Rouge, LA 70806-4248 1-800-256-4485

1-800-256-4485 Fax: 1-888-922-0744

E-mail: nass-la@nass.usda.gov

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1-888-922-0744

1-800-256-4485

Sincerely,

Dave Frank State Statistician

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Soybeans	None	211	212 	213 <b>\$</b>	.00

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State Statistician

Montana Agricultural Statistics Service 10 West 15th Street Suite 3100 Helena, MT 59626 1-800-835-2612 Fax: 1-800-915-6277

E-mail: nass-mt@nass.usda.gov

Please make corrections to name, address and Zip Code, if necessary.

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COMMODITY Report all varietie grades, and qualiti	s, es	TOTAL QUANTITY	UNIT OF QUANTITY Check One	TOTAL GROSS VALUE Whole Dollars
Winter Wheat	None	091	092 □¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.	\$ .00
Durum Wheat	None	1111	1112	\$ .00
Other Spring Wheat	None	131	132	\$
Oats	None	231	232	\$ .00
Feed Barley	None	051	$052$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Malting Barley	None	071	$072$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Lentils	None	591	$592$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Dry Edible Peas	None	611	612	\$ .00
Austrian Winter Peas	None	571	572 ☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ .00
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Chickpeas that pass through a 20/64 inch round hole screen.

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Winter Wheat	None	\$	095 □ □ ¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.
Durum Wheat	None	\$	115  □¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.
Other Spring Wheat	None	\$	135
Feed Barley	None	\$ ·	055 $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.
Malting Barley	None		$075$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.
Lentils	None	\$	595 □¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.
Dry Edible Peas	None	\$	615  1 Bu. 2 Cwt. 3 Tons 4 Lbs.
Austrian Winter Peass	None	\$ ·	575  1 Bu. 2 Cwt. 3 Tons 4 Lbs.
Small Garbanzo Beans*	None	554 \$	535 $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.
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Nebraska

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Lincoln, NE 68501 1-800-582-6443 Fax: 1-888-814-6117

E-mail: nass-ne@nass.usda.gov

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(Date)

(Telephone Number)

(Fax Number)

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Winter Wheat	None		092 □ <sup>1</sup> Bu. □ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. □ <sup>3</sup> Tons □ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ .00
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#### **NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL** STATISTICS SERVICE

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North Dakota

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	None	011	012	013
Corn (Yellow & White)			☐¹ Bu. ☐ ² Cwt. ☐ ³ Tons ☐ ⁴ Lbs.	\$
Feed Barley	None	051	052	\$
Malting Barley	None	071	072 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.	073 \$
Winter Wheat	None	091	092 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.	093 \$
William Wilcat	None	111	112	113
Durum Wheat			☐ Bu. ☐ 2 Cwt. ☐ 3 Tons ☐ 4 Lbs.	\$
	None	131	132	133
Other Spring Wheat			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$
	None	211	212	213
Soybeans			☐¹ Bu. ☐ ² Cwt. ☐ ³ Tons ☐ ⁴ Lbs.	\$
	None	231	232	233
Oats			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$
•	None	271	272	273
Flaxseed			☐¹ Bu. ☐ ² Cwt. ☐³ Tons ☐ ⁴ Lbs.	\$
	None	291	292	293
Sunflower, Oil Type			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$
Sunflower, Non-Oil	None	311	312	313
Туре			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ (6.2)
	None	351	352	353
Pinto Beans			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ (65)
	None	371	372	373
Navy Beans			□¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.	\$
Other Dry Edible	None	331	332	333
Beans			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ 06.
	None	391	392	393
Rye			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$
	None	711	712	713
Canola			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$
	None	611	612	613
Dry Edible Peas			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$
	None	591	592	593
Lentils			☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.	\$ 05
Small Garbanzo	None	551	552	553
Beans*			☐¹ Bu. ☐ ² Cwt. ☐³ Tons ☐ ⁴ Lbs.	\$
Large Garbanzo	None	531	532	533 \$
Beans **		l rough a 20/64 inch ro	□¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.	19

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		014		
Corn (Yellow & White)	None			015
		\$	· — —	□ Bu. □ 2 Cwt. □ 3 Tons □ 4 Lbs.
Feed Barley	None	054		055
		\$		□ Bu. □ 2 Cwt. □ 3 Tons □ 4 Libs.
Malting Barley	None	074		075
		\$		. ☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Lbs.
Winter Wheat	None	094		095
		\$		□¹ Bu, □² Cwt, □³ Tons □⁴ Libs.
Durum Wheat	None	114		115
Durum Wheat		\$		□¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Libs.
Other Spring Wheat	None	134	<del></del> _	135
Outer Spring Wheat	None	\$		□ Bu. □ 2 Cwt. □ 3 Tons □ 4 Lbs.
Ozydana	None	214		
Soybeans		\$		215
			· <u> </u>	□¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Libs.
Oats	None	234 \$		235
		1	·——	□¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Llbs.
Flaxseed	None	274		275
		\$		□¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Llbs.
Sunflower, Oil Type	None	294		295
		\$	· — —	☐ Bu. ☐ <sup>2</sup> Cwt. ☐ <sup>3</sup> Tons ☐ <sup>4</sup> Libs.
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Canola	None	714		715
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Day Edible Drass		614	:	
Dry Edible Peas	None	\$		615
		594	·	□¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Libs.
Lentils	None			595
		\$	·——	□¹ Bu. □² Cwt. □³ Tons □⁴ Lbs.
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- Charges for drying, cleaning, storage or grading.
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- Pooled grain should be reported when the major portion of the payment is made. Gross value should include an estimate of any anticipated end-of-year payments.

#### Appendix E



#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

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Tennessee

Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 41505

If you have questions about your report, please call:

Nashville, TN 37204-1505 1-800-626-0987 Fax: 615-781-5303

E-mail: nass-tn@nass.usda.gov

Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

Your report is essential to accurately estimate prices and quantities sold. This survey is voluntary. Individual reports are combined to estimate State and U.S. prices. Information from individual reports is kept strictly confidential. Please mail your report in the enclosed envelope.

Please make corrections to name, address and Zip Code, if necessary.

Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to:

Sincerely,

Debra K. Kenerson
State Statistician

1-800-626-0987

1. Report Total Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Delivered from Farmers in May 2003:

If none purchased, please check "None" and GO TO item 2. Quantities purchased and Total Gross Values should be comparable for the month. Additional instructions are included with this questionnaire to assist you in completing the form.

COMMO Report all va grades, and	arieties,	TOTAL QUANTITY	UNIT OF QUANTITY Check One	TOTAL GROSS VALUE Whole Dollars
Corn (Yellow)	None	011	012 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.	\$ .00
Corn (White)	None	031	$032$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Corn (Ear)	None		$\Box^1$ Bu. $\Box^2$ Cwt. $\Box^3$ Tons $\Box^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Soybeans	None	211	212 $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00
Winter Wheat	None	091	092 □¹ Bu. □ ² Cwt. □ ³ Tons □ ⁴ Lbs.	\$ .00
Sorghum	None	251	$252$ $\square^1$ Bu. $\square^2$ Cwt. $\square^3$ Tons $\square^4$ Lbs.	\$ .00

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#### General Instructions for Reporting Monthly Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Received:

Report QUANTITIES and TOTAL GROSS VALUE only for grain purchased directly from U.S. farmers.

- Do not report any grain purchased from other elevators, firms, brokers or truck buyers.
- Do not report any grain purchased from producers or firms in other countries.
- Do not report any grain purchased for resale as seed.
- For purchases where the intended use of the grain may change over time (e.g., feed vs. malting barley), report for the intended use at the time of purchase.

Quantities purchased and Total Gross Value should be comparable and complete. DO NOT report the quantities purchased one month and the gross value for these purchases in a different month.

#### How to Report Quantities Purchased and Received:

Total Quantity equals quantities purchased and received from farmers summed over all individual transactions during the reporting period.

Report Quantities on a dry or shrunk basis, that is, at STANDARD MOISTURE CONTENT.

• If grain is purchased on a "wet" bushel basis (no quantity deduction taken for shrinkage), convert to a standard moisture quantity. This may be done by estimating the proportion of grain purchased that was above standard moisture, and applying a shrink factor based on your best estimate of its average excessive moisture. (E.g., 10,000 bu. of com were purchased, of which 7,000 bu. were at standard moisture content and 3,000 bu. averaged 17.5% moisture. If the shrink averaged 2.4%, or about 72 bu., then report total dry quantity of 7,000 + (3,000 - 72) = 9,928 bu.)

#### How to Report Total Gross Value:

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For each transaction calculate the GROSS VALUE TO FARMERS based on a PRICE determined as follows:

- Deduct price discounts and add price premiums only for quality factors (e.g., test weight, protein content, foreign matter, damage, etc.) or moisture content.
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- Add premiums for direct delivery by farmers to mill, processor, or river or rail terminal.

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- Transportation or handling charges from the farm to point of first sale.
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#### How and When to Report Contract Purchases:

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# NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

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Wisconsin

Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 8934 Madison, WI 53708-8934 1-800-789-9277 Fax: 1-800-838-6277 E-mail: nass-wi@nass.usda.gov Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

Your report is essential to accurately estimate prices and quantities sold. This survey is voluntary. Individual reports are combined to estimate State and U.S. prices. Information from individual reports is kept strictly confidential. Please mail your report in the enclosed envelope.

Sincerely,

Please make corrections to name	e, address and Zip	Code, if necessary
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Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

1-800-**83**8-6277 1-80**0-78**9-9277 Robert J. Battaglia State Statistician

1. Report Total Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Delivered from Farmers in May 2003:
If none purchased, please check "None" and GO TO item 2 on back. Quantities purchased and Total Gross Values should be comparable for the month. Additional Instructions are included with this questionnaire to assist you in completing the form.

COMMODITY Report all varieties, grades, and qualities		TOTAL QUANTITY	UNIT OF QUANTITY Check One	TOTAL GROSS VALUE Whole Dollars
Corn (Yellow & White)	None	011	012	013 \$
Oats	None	231	232	\$ 65
Soybeans	None	211	212	\$ \$
Winter Wheat	None	091	092	093 \$
Spring Wheat	None	131	132	\$ \$
Barley	None	051	052 ☐¹ Bu. ☐ ² Cwt. ☐ ³ Tons ☐ ⁴ Lbs.	053 \$

2. MID-JUNE PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were purchased June 11, 12 & 13, 2003. If no purchases were made during this period please check "None".

COMMODITY Report all varietic grades, and quali	es,	AVERAGE PRICE o Commodity	f UNIT OF PRICE Check One
Corn (Yellow & White)	None	\$	015 01 Bu. 0 2 Cwt. 0 3 Tons 0 4 Lbs.
Oats	None	\$ ·	235
Soybeans	None	\$	215 3 Tons

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#### General Instructions for Reporting Monthly Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Received:

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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

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Wyoming Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 118 Cheyenne, WY 82003-1148 1-800-892-1660 Fax: 307-432-5598 E-mail: nass-wy@nass.usda.gov

Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

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307-432-5598 1-800-892-1660 Richard W. Count fter State Statistician

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Malting Barley	None	074 <b>\$</b>		075 ☐¹ Bu. ☐ ² Cwt. ☐ ³ Tons ☐ ⁴ Lbs.

Would you like to receive a free copy of the results of this survey in the mail?

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#### General Instructions for Reporting Monthly Grains and Oilseeds Purchased and Received.

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## **Prices Received Research Project - Cognitive Pretest Phase Findings Report**

There were sixty-two interviews conducted in ten States: seven interviews in Montana, six in Wisconsin, six in North Dakota, seven in Tennessee, three in Louisiana, seven in Wyoming, five in California, seven in Colorado, six in Nebraska, and eight in Ohio. Results for all the questions of the pretest probe questionnaire are provided below. Records that did not provide an answer to a particular question were excluded from the counts.

Forty-three respondents (72 percent) reported not using the instructions provided with the questionnaire. Seventeen respondents (28 percent) reported using the instructions. (item code 100)

Fifty-six respondents (92 percent) reported not having any problems reporting for the pre-listed commodities for the total quantity purchased and delivered by farmers. Four respondents (6 percent) reported having problems reporting the total quantity purchased and delivered by farmers for the pre-listed commodities. One respondent (2 percent) answered "don't know." (item code 101)

Sixty-one respondents (98 percent) reported having no problems selecting from the pre-listed units of measure. Only one respondent (2 percent) reported being unable to select from the pre-listed units. (item code 102)

Sixty respondents (98 percent) reported that the total gross value reported related to the total quantity reported. One respondent (2 percent) reported not knowing if the total gross value reported was related to the total quantity reported. (item code 103)

Forty-five respondents (75 percent) reported the total gross value to the nearest dollar. Fifteen respondents (25 percent) did not report their total gross value to the nearest dollar. (item code 104)

Thirty-three respondents (56 percent) marked the "none" boxes for the commodities they did not have. Twenty-three respondents (39 percent) did not mark the "none" boxes. Three respondents (5 percent) did not know if they had marked the "none" boxes. (item code 105)

Fifty-eight respondents (94 percent) correctly reported excluding from their answers any grain purchased from other grain elevators, firms, brokers, or truck buyers. Only four respondents (6 percent) incorrectly included this information on their questionnaires. (item code 106)

Sixty respondents (97 percent) correctly reported excluding from their answers any grain purchased from producers or firms in other countries. Only two respondents (3 percent) incorrectly included this information on their questionnaires. (item code107)

Fifty-nine respondents (95 percent) correctly reported excluding from their answers any grain purchased for resale as seed. Two respondents (3 percent) incorrectly included this information on their questionnaire. One respondent (2 percent) did not know if this information was included in their answer. (item code 108)

The intended use of grain for some commodities may change over time. Thirty-two respondents (56 percent) correctly reported for the intended use of the grain at the time of the purchase. Twenty respondents (35 percent) incorrectly reported this information on their questionnaire. Five respondents (9 percent) did not know if the correct information had been reported in the questionnaire. (item code 109)

Fifty-nine respondents (95 percent) correctly included all individual transactions from farmers during the reporting period in their total quantity reported. Only three respondents (5 percent) incorrectly excluded this information from their answers. (item code 110)

Fifty-four respondents (87 percent) correctly did not report their grain purchased on a "wet" bushel basis. Six respondents (10 percent) incorrectly reported their purchased grain in a "wet" bushel basis. Two respondents (3 percent) did not know if their purchased grain was reported on a "wet" bushel basis. (item code 111)

Of the six respondents who reported their purchased grain in a "wet" basis, three (50 percent) reported converting to a standard moisture quantity. When asked how they do this conversion, one respondent indicated that he/she does it on a discount schedule and two respondents indicated using computer formulas. Three respondents (50 percent) reported not doing a conversion to a standard moisture quantity. (item code 112 and item code 113)

Fifty-two respondents (95 percent) correctly included in the total gross value reported all individual transactions from farmers during the reporting period. Only one respondent (2 percent) incorrectly excluded this information from his/her answer. Two respondents (3 percent) did not know if the total gross value reported included all transactions with farmers. (item code 114)

Thirty-seven respondents (60 percent) correctly reported deducting price discounts and adding price premiums only for quality factors or moisture content in the total gross value reported. Twenty-four respondents (39 percent) incorrectly reported this information in the total gross value reported. One respondent (2 percent) did not know if these adjustments had been made to the total gross value reported. (item code 115)

Thirty-one respondents (50 percent) correctly reported including check-off fees or other marketing or services fees in the total gross value reported. Twenty-eight respondents (45 percent) incorrectly excluded this information from the total gross value reported. Three respondents (5 percent) did not know if this information had been included in the total gross value reported. The wording of this question may have caused interpretation problems among respondents. Therefore these results have to be interpreted with caution. (item code 116)

Thirty-two respondents (54 percent) correctly included all premiums for direct delivery by farmers to mill, processor, or river or rail terminal in the total gross value reported. Twenty-six respondents (44 percent) incorrectly excluded this information from the total gross value reported. One respondent (2 percent) did not know if this information had been included in the total gross value reported. (item code117)

Forty-six respondents (74 percent) correctly reported their cash sales, forward contracts and deferred payment contracts in the month when the purchaser took ownership and payment was made. Sixteen respondents (26 percent) incorrectly reported this information. (item code118)

Twenty-one respondents (34 percent) reported having basis, minimum price, options, or hedge-to-arrive contracts. Thirty-nine respondents (63 percent) reported not having any of these types of contracts. Two respondents (3 percent) did not know if they had any. (item code 119)

Of the twenty-one respondents who had any basis, minimum price, options, or hedge-to-arrive contracts, seven respondents (33 percent) correctly reported them in the month the grain was delivered; thirteen respondents (45 percent) did not report them in the month the grain was delivered. One respondent did not provide an answer to this question. (item code 120).

Twenty-one respondents (38 percent) reported having delayed pricing or no price established contracts. Thirty-two respondents (58 percent) reported not having any of these types of contracts. Two respondents (4 percent) did not know if they had any of these types of contracts. (item code 121)

Of the twenty-one respondents who reported having delayed pricing or no price established contracts, eighteen respondents (86 percent) correctly reported them in the month when the price was determined. Two respondents (9 percent) did not report them in the month when the price was determined. One respondent (5 percent) did not know if the information had been reported in the month when the price was determined. (item code 122)

Two respondents (3 percent) reported having pooled grain. Fifty-seven respondents (95 percent) reported not having pooled grain. One respondent (2 percent) did not know if they had any pooled grain. (item code 123).

Of the two respondents that reported having pooled grain, only one respondent reported the information at the time when the major portion of the payment was made, the other respondent did not provide an answer to this question. (item code 124)

Fifty-one respondents (96 percent) reported both the quantity purchased and value for the specified commodities. Only one respondent (2 percent) reported the quantity purchased and no value. Another respondent did not know if he/she had reported the value (2 percent). (item code 125)

Thirty-five respondents (90 percent) reported the average price for the commodities purchased during the period of May 14, 15 and 16. Only four respondents (10 percent) did not report the average price. (item code 201)

Thirty-seven respondents (97 percent) were able to select the appropriate unit of price from the ones listed on the questionnaire. Only one respondent (2 percent) was not able to select the appropriate unit. (item code 202)

Twenty-two respondents (58 percent) marked the "none" boxes if no purchases were made during the specified period. Sixteen respondents (42 percent) did not mark the "none" boxes. (item code 203)

Twenty-one respondents (60 percent) indicated that the mid-month prices reported reflected the starting base price. Nine respondents (26 percent) indicated that the mid-month prices reported did not reflect the starting base price, and five respondents (14 percent) did not know if the mid-month prices reported reflected the starting base price. (item code 204)

Twenty-five respondents (67 percent) correctly reported the prices for the three reference days mentioned on the questionnaire. Eleven respondents (30 percent) did not report the prices for the three reference days mentioned on the questionnaire. One respondent (3 percent) did not know if he/she had reported the prices for the three day reference period mentioned on the questionnaire. (item code 205)

Of the eleven respondents who did not report the prices for the three day reference period mentioned on the questionnaire, seven respondents (64 percent) reported prices for the first half of the month. Three respondents (27 percent) did not report prices for the first half of the month. One respondent (9 percent) did not provide an answer to this question. (item code 206)

Nineteen respondents (66 percent) indicated reporting the prices as a straight average. Nine respondents (31 percent) indicated not reporting the prices as a straight average. One respondent did not know if he/she reported the prices as a straight average. (item code 207)

Twenty-seven (44 percent) respondents reported that the new version of the prices received survey questionnaire was easier to complete. Twelve respondents (20 percent) reported that the previous version was easier to complete. Twenty-two respondents (36 percent) indicated not having a preference between the two forms. (item code 301)

Twenty-four (39 percent) respondents reported that the new version of the prices received survey questionnaire was easier to understand. Twelve respondents (20 percent) reported that the previous version was easier to understand. Twenty-five respondents (41 percent) indicated not having a preference between the two forms. (item code 302)

There were two questions on the probe questionnaire on how the quantity reported related to the dollar value reported (item code 103 and item code 125). Cross tabulating these two questions showed that fifty respondents (96 percent) correctly reported the dollar value of the quantity of grain purchased.



# General Reporting Instructions for the Monthly Grain and Oilseed Prices Received Survey



#### REPORTING TOTAL QUANTITIES PURCHASED:

Include: QUANTITIES of grain purchased directly from U.S. farmers.

Exclude grains purchased:

- ✓ from other elevators, firms, brokers or truck buyers.
- √ from producers or firms in other countries.
- √ for resale as seed.

For purchases where the intended use of the grain may change over time - e.g., feed vs. malting barley - report for the intended use at the time of purchase.

✓ Report Quantities on a dry or shrink basis at STANDARD MOISTURE CONTENT.
For grain purchased on a "wet" bushel basis (no quantity deduction taken for shrinkage), convert to standard moisture by estimating the proportion of grain purchased that was above standard moisture and applying a

Report quantity on a "dry" or shrink basis

Example:

If corn purchased = 10,000 bu. And avg. moisture on 3,000 bu. = 17.5% Shrink = 2.4% (3,000 bu. x 0.024 = 72 bu.)

shrink factor based on your best estimate of its average excessive moisture.

Then "dry" quantity = 7,000 + (3,000 - 72) = 9,928 bu.

Total quantity equals the sum of all quantities purchased from farmers during the reporting period.

#### **REPORTING TOTAL VALUE:**

For each transaction "VALUE TO FARMER" equals:

The agreed upon price:

#### Plus:

- ✓ premiums associated with quality factors (test weight, protein content, foreign matter, damage, etc.) or moisture content.
- ✓ premiums for direct delivery by farmers to mill, processor, or river or rail terminal.

#### Less:

- ✓ Price discounts associated with quality factors (test weight, protein content, foreign matter, damage, etc.) or moisture content.
- ✓ Do not deduct:
  - check-off fees or other marketing or service fees.
  - transportation or handling charges from the farm to point of first sale.
  - charges for drying, cleaning, storage or grading.

Total value equals the sum of all "value to farmer" payments associated with the quantities reported.

#### REPORTING CONTRACT PURCHASES:

Quantities purchased and total value should be comparable for a given month. DO NOT report the quantities one month and the value in a different month.

- ✓ Report cash sales, forward contracts and deferred payment contracts in the month when the purchaser takes ownership and payment is made.
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- Delayed pricing or no price established contracts should be reported in the month when price is determined.
- ✓ **Pooled grain** should be reported when the major portion of the payment is made. Value should include an estimate of any anticipated end-of-year payments.



## How and When to Report Contract Purchases

Total Quantities purchased and Total Value should always be reported in the same month.

- ✓ Report cash sales, forward contracts and deferred payment contracts in the month when the purchaser takes ownership and payment is made.
- ✓ Basis, minimum price, option, or hedge-to-arrive contracts should be reported in the month grain is delivered. Estimate the gross value of these purchases using the spot price on date of delivery. (Alternatively, you may report both quantity and value for these contracts in the settlement month.)
- ✓ Delayed pricing or no price established contracts should be reported in the month when price is determined.
- ✓ Pooled grain should be reported when the major portion of the payment is made. Value should include an estimate of any anticipated end-of-year payments.

DO NOT report the quantities one month and the value in a different month.



## **General Instructions For Reporting**

Report TOTAL QUANTITIES and TOTAL VALUE only for commodities purchased directly from U.S. farmers.

- ✓ DO NOT REPORT commodities purchased:
  - from other elevators, firms, brokers or truck buyers.
  - from producers or firms in other countries.
  - for resale as seed.
- For purchases where the intended use of the commodities may change over time (e.g., feed vs. malting barley), report for the intended use at the time of purchase.
- ✓ Report the sum of all individual transactions during the reporting period.

Report quantity on a "dry" or

shrink basis

Example:

If corn purchased = 10,000 bu. And avg. moisture on 3,000 bu. = 17.5% Shrink = 2.4% (3,000 bu. x 0.024 = 72 bu.) Then "dry" quantity = 7,000 + (3,000 - 72) = 9,928 bu.

DO NOT report the quantities purchased one month and the value for these purchases in a different month.



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Illinois

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Sincerely,

Brad Schwab

State Statistician

Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 19283 Springfield, IL 62794-9283 1-800-622-9865

Fax: 217-492-4291 E-mail: nass-il@nass.usda.gov

Please make corrections to name, address and Zip Code, if necessary.

Please Fax or Mail Promptly

217-492-4291 You may Fax your completed report to: 1-800-622-9865 If you have questions about your report, please call:

Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U.S. Farmers in November 2003: If no purchases of any commodity listed, check none ::

Quantity purchased and associated Value should be reported in the same month. TOTAL QUANTITY COMMODITY **PURCHASED IN November TOTAL VALUE** Gross Dollars plus quality premiums Report all varieties, Circle UNIT Reported minus quality discounts. grades, and qualities Dry or "shrunk" basis Report in Whole Dollars Delivered any time prior to the end of November 011 012 013 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4 \$ Corn (Yellow & White) 231 233 232 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Bu <sup>1</sup> Lbs 4 \$ **Oats** 211 212 213 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4 Soybeans 091 093 1092 \$ Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4 Winter Wheat Bu 251 253 252 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4 Sorghum

\* Add or deduct quality factors including: test weight, protein content foreign matter, damage, moisture content, and farmer delivery

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lowa Agricultural Statistics Service 210 Walnut St., Room 833 Des Moines, IA 50309 1-800-772-0825 Fax: 515-284-4342 E-mail: nass-ia@nass.usda.gov

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1. Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. Farmers in November 2003: If no purchases of any commodity listed, check none and go to Item 2:

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COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis  Delivered any time prior to the end of November.	Circle UNIT Reported  ered any time prior to the end of			
Corn (Yellow & White)	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013 <b>\$</b>		
Oats	231	232 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	233		
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	213		
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093		

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2. MID-DECEMBER PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were purchased December 12, 15 & 16, 2003. If no purchases were made during this period please check "None" □

COMMODITY Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	Circle UNIT Reported
Corn (Yellow & White)	014 \$	015 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Oats	\$	235 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Soybeans	\$	215 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>

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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service

632 Van Buren, Room 200

Topeka, KS 66601-3534 1-800-258-4564

E-mail: nass-ks@nass.usda.gov

P.O. Box 3534

Fax: 785-233-2518

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Sincerely.

Eldon J. Thiessen State Statistician

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You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call: 785-233-2518 1-800-258-4564

1. Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. Farmers in November 2003:

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Corn (Vallous & Mhita)	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013					
Corn (Yellow & White)	211	i212	213					
Soybeans	211	Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	\$					
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093					
Sorghum	251	252 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	253 <b>\$</b>					
Sunflower, Oil Type	291	292 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	<sup>293</sup> <b>\$</b>					
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	311	312 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	313 <b>\$</b>					

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COMMODITY Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	Circle UNIT Reported
Corn (Yellow & White)	\$	015 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Soybeans	\$	215 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .
Winter Wheat	\$	095 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Sorghum	\$	255 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .
Sunflower, Oil Type	\$	295 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	\$	315 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>

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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

Louisville, KY 40201 1-800-928-5277 Fax: 502-582-5114 E-mail: nass-ky@nass.usda.gov

Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 1120

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Kentucky

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You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

502-5**82**-5114 1-800**-92**8-5277 (eland S. Brown Leiand E. Brown State Statistician

Sincerely,

 Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. Farmers in November 2003: If no purchases of any commodity listed, check none ☐ and go to Item 2:

Qu	antity purchased and associated	Value should be reported in the	same month.	
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis  Delivered any time prior to the end of November.	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus equality premiums minus quality ediscounts. ** Report in Whatele Dollars	
Corn (Yellow)	011	O12 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013	
Com (White)	031	032 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	033	
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	213	
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093	

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COMMODITY Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	Circle UNIT Reported
Corn (Yellow)	\$	015 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Com (White)	\$	035 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Soybeans	\$	215 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Winter Wheat	\$	095 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4

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#### **NATIONAL** AGRICULTURAL **STATISTICS SERVICE**

Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 7068 St Paul, MN 55107 1-800-453-7502 Fax: 1-800-839-2186 E-mail: nass-mn@nass.usda.gov

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1-800-839-2186

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

1-800-453-7502 

Sincerely, Michael Hunst State Statistician

Quantity	purchased and associated	Value should be reported in the	same month.
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis Delivered any time prior to the	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus quality premiums minus quality discounts. " Report in Whole Dollars
Com (Yellow & White)	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013 <b>\$</b>
Feed Barley	051	052 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	053 <b>\$</b>
Malting Barley	071	072 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	073 \$
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093 <b>\$</b>
Durum Wheat	111	112 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .	113
Other Spring Wheat	131	Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	133
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	213 <b>\$</b>
Oats	231	232 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	233
Sunflower, Oil Type	291	292 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	293 \$
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Flaxseed	271	272 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	273 <b>\$</b>
Rye	391	392 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	393 <b>\$</b>
Canola	711	712 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .	713

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Missouri

Missouri Agricultural Statistics Service 601 Business Loop, 70W

Suite 240 Columbia, MO 65205 1-800-551-1014 Fax: 1-800-899-5197

E-mail: nass-mo@nass.usda.gov

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- Lene Stare

Sincerely.

Gene Danekas State Statistician

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1-800-899-5197

If you have questions about your report, please call:

1-800-551-1014

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Qua	ntity purchased and associated	Value should be reported in the s	ame month.	
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis  Delivered any time prior to the end of November.	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus quality premiums minus quality discounts. *  Report in Whole Dollars	
Corn (Yellow & White)	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013 <b>\$</b>	
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	\$	
Winter Wheat	091	i092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093 <b>\$</b>	
Sorghum	251	252 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	253 <b>\$</b>	

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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS **SERVICE**

E-mail: nass-ne@nass.usda.gov

P.O. Box 81069 Lincoln, NE 68501

1-800-582-6443

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Fax: 1-888-814-6117

Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service

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Sincerely,

Villiam G. Hamilin

State Statistician

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You may Fax your completed report to:

1-888-814-6117

If you have questions about your report, please call: 1-800-582-6443

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Oats	231	232 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	233	
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	213 <b>\$</b>	
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093 <b>\$</b>	
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North Dakota

North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 3166 Fargo, ND 58108-3166 1-800-626-3134

Fax: 701-239-5613 F-mail: nass-nd@nass.usda.gov

**NATIONAL** AGRICULTURAL

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Douglas A. Hartwig Douglas A. Hartwig State Statistician

Please make corrections to name, address and Zip Code, if necessary.

Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

701-239-5613 1-800-626-3134

1. Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. farmers in November 2003: If no purchases of any commodity listed, check None and go to Item 2:

Quantity	purchased and associated	Value should be reported in the	same month.
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis Delivered any time prior to the	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus quality premiums minus quality discounts. * Report in Whole Dollars
Corn (Yellow & White)	011	012 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	013 \$
Feed Barley	051	052 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	053 \$
Malting Barley	071	072 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Libs 4	073 \$
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Libs 4	093 \$
Durum Wheat	111	112 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4.	113 \$
Other Spring Wheat	131	132 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	133 \$
Soybeans	211	212 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	213 \$
Oats	231	232 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	233 \$
Flaxseed	271	272 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	273 \$
Sunflower, Oil Type	291	292 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	293 \$
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	311	312 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	313 \$
Pinto Beans	351	352 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	353 \$
Navy Beans	371	372 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	373 \$
Other Dry Edible Beans	331	332 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4.	333 \$
Rye	391	392 Bu 1 Cwat 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	393 \$
Canola	711	712 Bu 1 Cwat 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4.	713 \$
Dry Edible Peas	611	612 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	613 \$
Lentils	591	592 Bu 1 Cwet 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	593 \$
Small Chickpeas**	551	552 Bu 1 Cwat 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	553 \$
Large Chickpeas ***	531	532 Bu 1 Cwat 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	533 \$

<sup>\*</sup> Add or deduct quality factors including: test weight, protein content, foreign matter, damage, moisture content, and farmer delivery. DO NOT deduct check-off fees, drying, cleaning, handling, storage, grading, or other marketing or service fees. See enclosed sheet for more detailed instructions.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Garbanzo beans that pass through a 20/64 inch round hole screen.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Garbanzo beans larger than the 20/64 inch screen.

## 2. MID-DECEMBER PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were purchased

December 12, 15 & 16, 2003. If no purchases were made during this period please check "None"

COMMODITY Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	Circle UNIT Reported
Corn (Yellow & White)	014 \$	015 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Feed Barley	054 \$	055 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Malting Barley	074 \$	075 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Winter Wheat	094 \$	095 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Durum Wheat	114 \$	115 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Other Spring Wheat	134 \$	135 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Soybeans	214 \$	215 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4.
Oats	234 \$	235 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Flaxseed	274 \$	275 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Sunflower, Oil Type	294 \$	295 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	314 \$	315 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Pinto Beans	354 \$	355 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Navy Beans	374 \$	375 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Other Dry Edible Beans	334 \$	335 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Canola	714 \$	715 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Dry Edible Peas	614 \$	615 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Lentils	594 \$	595 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Smail Chickpeas*	554 \$	535 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4
Large Chickpeas**	534 \$	555 Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4

<sup>\*</sup> Garbanzo beans that pass through a 20/64 inch round hole screen.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Garbanzo beans larger than the 20/64 inch screen.

#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Form Approved O.M.B. Number 0535-0003 Approval Expires 12/31/04 Project Code 172 QID 050100

Ohio

Ohio Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 686 Bromfield Admin. Bldg. Room 103

8995 East Main Street Reynoldsburg, OH 43068 1-800-858-8144 Fax: 614-728-2206

E-mail: nass-oh@nass.usda.gov

Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

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Sincerely.

James E. Ramey State Statistician

Please make corrections to name, address and  $\it Zip$  Code, if necessary.

Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

614-728-2206 1-800-858-8144

Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. Farmers in November 2003:

If no purchases of any commodity listed, check none  $\square$ :

Qua	ntity purchased and associated	Value should be reported in the s	ame month.
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis  Delivered any time prior to the end of November.	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus quality premiums minus quality discounts. *  Report in Whole Dollars
Corn (Yellow & White)	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013 <b>\$</b>
Oats	231	232 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	233 <b>\$</b>
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	213 <b>\$</b>
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	093 <b>\$</b>

\* Add or deduct quality factors including: test weight, protein content, foreign matter, damage, moisture content, and farmer delivery. **DO NOT** deduct check-off fees, drying, cleaning, handling, storage, grading, or other marketing or service fees. See enclosed sheet for more detailed instructions.

Would you like to receive a free copy of the results of this survey in the mail?

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#### Appendix I

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

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South Dakota

Dear Reporter:

South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 5068 Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5068 1-800-338-2557 Fax: 1-800-922-2098 E-mait: nass-sd@nass.usda.gov

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

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Sincerely.

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Please Fax or Mail Promptly

You may Fax your completed report to: If you have questions about your report, please call:

1-800-922-2098 1-800-338-2557 Carter anderson

Carter D. Anderson State Statistician

### 1. Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. farmers in November 2003: If no purchases of any commodity listed, check None □ and go to Item 2:

Quantity	purchased and associated	Value should be reported in the s	ame month.	
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or "shrunk" basis Delivered any time prior to the end of November.	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus quality premium minus quality discounts. * Report in Whole Dollars	
Corn (Yellow & White)	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013 <b>\$</b>	
Feed Barley	051	Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4	053 <b>\$</b>	
Malting Barley	071	072 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	073 \$	
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	<sup>093</sup> \$	
Durum Wheat	111	112 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .	113 \$	
Other Spring Wheat	131	132 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	133	
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	213	
Oats	231	232 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	233	
Sorghum	251	252 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	253 <b>\$</b>	
Sunflower, Oil Type	291	292 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	293 <b>\$</b>	
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	311	312 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	313 <b>\$</b>	
Flaxseed	271	272 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	273 <b>\$</b>	
Rye	391		393 <b>\$</b>	

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DO NOT deduct check-off fees, drying, cleaning, handling, storage, grading, or other marketing or service fees. See enclosed sheet for more detailed instructions.

2.	MID-DECEMBER PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were
	purchased
	December 12 15 8, 16 2003 If no purchases were made during this period please check "None"

COMMODITY  Report all varieties,  grades, and qualities	AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	Circle UNIT Reported		
Com (Yellow & White)	\$	015 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Feed Barley	\$	055 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Malting Barley	\$	075 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Winter Wheat	\$	095 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Durum Wheat	\$	Bu 1 Cwt 2 Tons 3 Lbs 4		
Other Spring Wheat	\$	135 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Soybeans	\$	215 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .		
Oats	\$	235 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Sunflower, Oil Type	\$	295 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Sunflower, Non-Oil Type	\$	315 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		
Flaxseed	\$	275 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>		

Vould you like to receive a free	copy of the results of this	s survey in the mail?
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#### NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

Texas Agricultural Statistics Service P.O. Box 70 Austin, TX 78767 1-800-626-3142 Fax: 1-800-842-1331 E-mail: nass-tx@nass.usda.gov

#### PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Form Approved O.M.B. Number 0535-0003 Approval Expires 12/31/04 Project Code 172 QID 050100

Texas

Dear Reporter:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture collects and publishes information on prices farmers receive for agricultural commodities. This information is used to calculate counter-cyclical payments to farmers required by law in the 2002 Farm Bill, for estimation of farm income, in the computation of loan deficiency payments, State tax projections and rates, and for price studies and analysis of returns from various crops.

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Please make corrections to name, address and Zip Code, if necessary.

Please Fax or Mail Promptly

Robin O. Roark State Statistician

1-800-842-1331 1-800-626-3142

You may Fax your completed report to: 1-4 lf you have questions about your report, please call: 1-4

1. Report grains and oilseeds purchased directly from U. S. Farmers in November 2003: If no purchases of any commodity listed, check none □ and go to Item 2:

Quantit	y purchased and associated '	Value should be reported in the s	same month.
COMMODITY  Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	TOTAL QUANTITY PURCHASED IN November  Dry or 'shrunk' basis Delivered any time prior to the	Circle UNIT Reported	TOTAL VALUE Gross Dollars plus quality premiums minus quality discounts. *  Report in Whole Dollars
Yellow Corn	011	012 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	013 <b>\$</b>
White Corn	031	032 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	033
Oats	231	232 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	233
Soybeans	211	212 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	<sup>213</sup> \$
Winter Wheat	091	092 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	<sup>093</sup> \$
Sorghum	251	252 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>	253

\* Add or deduct quality factors including: test weight, protein content, foreign matter, damage, moisture content, and farmer delivery. DO NOT deduct check-off fees, drying, cleaning, handling, storage, grading, or other marketing or service fees. See enclosed sheet for more detailed instructions.

2. MID-DECEMBER PRICES: Report a mid-month price for commodities which were purchased

December 12, 15 & 16, 2003. If no purchases were made during this period please check "None"

COMMODITY Report all varieties, grades, and qualities	AVERAGE PRICE of Commodity	Circle UNIT Reported
Yellow Com	\$	015 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
White Corn	\$	035 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Oats	\$	235 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Winter Wheat	094 <b>\$</b>	095 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup>
Sorghum	\$	255 Bu <sup>1</sup> Cwt <sup>2</sup> Tons <sup>3</sup> Lbs <sup>4</sup> .

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# July Data Collection Period

Table J -1: U.S. June 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

C P'	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Sam	ple Data	Difference	3/	,
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)	t value	p value
Barley, Feed	1.948	5	2.941	2	-0.993*	-11.88	0.000
Barley, Malting	3.799	2	3.252	1	0.547	1.218	0.438
Barley, All	3.341	7	3.091	3	0.251	0.338	0.744
Canola	10.194	1		0			
Corn, All	2.236	42	2.322	37	-0.086*	-3.141	0.002
Corn, Yellow	2.236	42	2.322	37	-0.086*	-3.141	0.002
Wheat, Durum	3.967	2	4.199	1	-0.233*	-48.09	0.013
Flaxseed	5.816	1		0			
Oats	1.678	14	1.756	13	-0.078	-0.366	0.718
Rye	2.550	1	•	0			
Soybeans	5.974	26	6.020	29	-0.046	-0.872	0.387
Sorghum	3.609	8	4.228	10	-0.619*	-19.64	0.000
Sunflower, Non-Oil		0	10.117	1			
Sunflower, Oil	10.230	4	10.409	2	-0.179	-0.967	0.388
Sunflower, All	10.230	4	10.349	3	-0.119	-0.605	0.572
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.040	55	3.002	44	0.038	0.438	0.663
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.462	28	3.403	18	0.059	0.381	0.705
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	2.864	33	2.923	28	-0.059	-1.151	0.254
Wheat, All	3.043	55	3.003	44	0.040	0.459	0.647
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.462	28	3.403	18	0.059	0.381	0.705
Wheat, All Winter	2.864	33	2.923	28	-0.059	-1.151	0.254

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

<sup>3/</sup> Standard two-tailed t-test.

<sup>\*</sup> Statistically significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level.

Table J - 2: U.S. June 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	Operational Sample Data 1/			Supplemental Sample Data			Operational Average and Supplemental Average within x Standard Error			
	Average Price	Standard Error	n	Average Price	Standard Error	n	0.5 SE	1.0 SE	1.5 SE	2.0 SE
Barley, Feed	1.948	0.0452	5	2.941	0.0670	2				
Barley, Malting	3.799	0.2592	2	3.252	0.0000	1				
Barley, All	3.341	0.4672	7	3.091	0.0910	3	*	*	*	*
Corn, All	2.236	0.0138	42	2.322	0.0245	37				
Corn, Yellow	2.236	0.0138	42	2.322	0.0245	37				
Wheat, Durum	3.967	0.0028	2	4.199	0.0000	1				
Oats	1.678	0.0587	14	1.756	0.2132	13	*	*	*	*
Soybeans	5.974	0.0182	26	6.020	0.0466	29		*	*	*
Sorghum	3.609	0.0157	8	4.228	0.0251	10				
Sunflower, Oil	10.230	0.0595	4	10.409	0.2638	2		*	*	*
Sunflower, All	10.230	0.0595	4	10.349	0.2202	3	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.040	0.0646	55	3.002	0.0548	44	*	*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.462	0.1136	28	3.403	0.0750	18	*	*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	2.864	0.0279	33	2.923	0.0450	28		*	*	*
Wheat, All	3.043	0.0644	55	3.003	0.0552	44	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.462	0.1136	28	3.403	0.0750	18	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All Winter	2.864	0.0279	33	2.923	0.0450	28		*	*	*

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates that the value was within the specified standard error ranges.

**Table J - 3:** U.S. July 2003 Mid Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

G	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Samp	ole Data	Difference
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)
Barley, Feed	1.800	1	2.000	3	-0.200
Barley, All	1.800	9	2.000	9	-0.200
Corn, All	2.036	9	1.940	9	0.096
Corn, Yellow	2.036	27	1.940	24	0.096
Oats	1.260	8	1.912	10	-0.652
Soybeans	5.617	12	5.602	10	0.015
Sorghum	3.498	15	5.412	11	-1.914
Sunflower, Oil	8.487	2	8.150	2	0.337
Sunflower, All	8.487	7	8.150	7	0.337
Wheat, All Hard Red	2.800	9	2.945	9	-0.145
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.110	13	3.178	10	-0.068
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	2.678	27	2.905	20	-0.227
Wheat, All	2.803	9	2.945	9	-0.142
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.110	9	3.178	9	-0.068
Wheat, All Winter	2.678	9	2.905	9	-0.227

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

## **August Data Collection Period**

Table J - 4: U.S. July 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Sam	ple Data	Difference	3/	
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)	t value 3/	p value
Barley, Feed	1.811	10	1.651	4	0.160	1.217	0.247
Barley, Malting	2.314	1	2.799	1	-0.485		
Barley, All	1.895	10	2.029	4	-0.134	-0.665	0.519
Canola	9.446	1		0			
Corn, All	2.066	43	1.990	36	0.076	1.954	0.054
Corn, Yellow	2.066	43	1.990	36	0.076	1.954	0.054
Wheat, Durum	3.624	3	4.190	1	-0.566	-1.856	0.205
Flaxseed	5.586	1		0			
Oats	1.337	24	1.319	16	0.018	0.331	0.743
Soybeans	5.664	26	6.277	30	-0.613	-1.042	0.302
Sorghum	3.571	13	- 3.535	12	0.035	0.191	0.851
Sunflower, Non-Oil	9.043	1	•	0			
Sunflower, Oil	8.700	3	10.428	2	-1.728*	-5.399	0.012
Sunflower, All	8.701	3	10.428	2	-1.727*	-5.397	0.012
Wheat, All Hard Red	2.880	49	2.752	37	0.128	1.131	0.261
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.242	28	3.193	18	0.050	0.641	0.525
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	2.785	29	2.624	29	0.161	1.206	0.233
Wheat, All	2.884	50	2.767	37	0.116	1.029	0.306
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.242	28	3.193	18	0.050	0.641	0.525
Wheat, All Winter	2.785	29	2.624	29	0.161	1.206	0.233

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

<sup>3/</sup> Standard two-tailed t-test.

<sup>\*</sup> Statistically significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level.

**Table J - 5:** U.S. July 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	Operational Sample Data 1/			Supplemental Sample Data			Operational Average and Supplemental Average within x Standard Error			
	Average Price	Standard Error	n	Average Price	Standard Error	n	0.5 SE	1.0 SE	1.5 SE	2.0 SE
Barley, Feed	1.811	0.0798	10	1.651	0.0388	4			*	*
Barley, Malting	2.314	0.0000	1	2.799	0.0000	1				
Barley, All	1.895	0.0858	10	2.029	0.2466	4	*	*	*	*
Corn, All	2.066	0.0304	43	1.990	0.0225	36			*	*
Corn, Yellow	2.066	0.0304	43	1.990	0.0225	36			*	*
Wheat, Durum	3.624	0.1525	3	4.190	0.0000	1				
Oats	1.337	0.0338	24	1.319	0.0437	16	*	*	*	*
Soybeans	5.664	0.0544	26	6.277	0.5444	30			*	*
Sorghum	3.571	0.1571	13	3.535	0.0926	12	*	*	*	*
Sunflower, Oil	8.700	0.0531	3	10.428	0.4194	2				
Sunflower, All	8.701	0.0529	3	10.428	0.4194	2				
Wheat, All Hard Red	2.880	0.0435	49	2.752	0.1170	37		*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.242	0.0394	28	3.193	0.0745	18	*	*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	2.785	0.0304	29	2.624	0.1301	29			*	*
Wheat, All	2.884	0.0434	50	2.767	0.1178	37		*	*	*
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.242	0.0394	28	3.193	0.0745	18	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All Winter	2.785	0.0304	29	2.624	0.1301	29			*	*

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates that the value was within the specified standard error ranges.

Table J - 6: U.S. August 2003 Mid Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Samp	ole Data	Difference	
Commodity	Average Price	n <sup>2</sup>	Average Price	n <sup>2</sup>	(Oper - Supp)	
Barley, Feed	1.560	2	2.217	3	-0.657	
Barley, All	1.560	9	2.217	9	-0.657	
Corn, All	1.966	9	1.947	9	0.018	
Corn, Yellow	1.966	20	1.947	19	0.018	
Oats	1.308	7	1.264	6	0.044	
Soybeans	5.269	11	5.366	10	-0.097	
Sorghum	3.748	11	3.584	11	0.164	
Sunflower, Oil	8.462	2	8.167	3	0.295	
Sunflower, All	8.462	7	8.167	7	0.295	
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.195	9	3.311	9	-0.116	
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.355	18	3.379	9	-0.025	
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.156	15	3.293	15	-0.137	
Wheat, All	3.198	9	3.311	9	-0.112	
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.355	9	3.379	9	-0.025	
Wheat, All Winter	3.156	9	3.293	9	-0.137	

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

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**Table J - 7:** U.S. August 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Sample	T Data		<u> </u>				
Commodite	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Sam	ple Data	Difference	t value 3/	p
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)	t value	value
Barley, Feed	1.875	13	1.854	3	0.021	0.184	0.857
Barley, Malting	2.057	1	2.203	1	-0.146		
Barley, All	1.884	13	2.089	3	-0.205	-1.951	0.071
Canola	9.117	3	9.398	1	-0.281	-1.454	0.283
Corn, All	2.137	52	2.081	37	0.056	1.169	0.246
Corn, Yellow	2.137	52	2.081	37	0.056	1.169	0.246
Dry Edible Beans, Navy	16.855	1		0			
Dry Edible Beans, Pinto	14.567	1		0			
Dry Edible Beans, All	16.690	1	•	0	•		
Wheat, Durum	3.685	2	*	0			
Flaxseed	5.222	1	4.949	1	0.273		
Oats	1.224	24	1.243	20	-0.018	-0.475	0.637
Dry Peas	2.006	1		0			
Rye	1.719	2		0		,	
Soybeans	5.510	26	5.561	27	-0.051	-0.703	0.485
Sorghum	3.732	12	3.773	18	-0.041	-0.236	0.815
Sunflower, Oil	8.524	1	9.419	1	-0.895		•
Sunflower, All	8.524	1	9.419	1	-0.895		
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.257	54	3.126	38	0.130	1.308	0.194
Wheat, HR Spring	3.333	34	3.312	23	0.021	0.519	0.606
Wheat, HR Winter	3.141	29	2.829	22	0.311	1.427	0.160
Wheat, All	3.261	54	3.126	38	0.135	1.352	0.180
Wheat, Other Spring	3.333	34	3.312	23	0.021	0.519	0.606
Wheat, All Winter	3.141	29	2.829	22	0.311	1.427	0.160

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<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

<sup>3/</sup> Standard two-tailed t-test.

<sup>\*</sup> Statistically significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level.

Table J - 8: U.S. August 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	Operational Sample Data 1/			Supplemental Sample Data			Operational Average and Supplemental Average within x Standard Error			
	Average Price	Standard Error	n	Average Price	Standard Error	n	0.5 SE	1.0 SE	1.5 SE	2.0 SE
Barley, Feed	1.875	0.0541	13	1.854	0.0100	3	*	*	*	*
Barley, Malting	2.057	0.0000	1	2.203	0.0000	1				
Barley, All	1.884	0.0492	13	2.089	0.0053	3				
Canola	9.117	0.0966	3	9.398	0.0000	1				
Corn, All	2.137	0.0349	52	2.081	0.0288	37		*	*	*
Corn, Yellow	2.137	0.0349	52	2.081	0.0288	37		*	*	*
Flaxseed	5.222	0.0000	1	4.949	0.0000	1				
Oats	1.224	0.0320	24	1.243	0.0185	20	*	*	*	*
Soybeans	5.510	0.0373	26	5.561	0.0619	27		*	*	*
Sorghum	3.732	0.1634	12	3.773	0.0884	18	*	*	*	*
Sunflower, Oil	8.524	0.0000	1	9.419	0.0000	1				
Sunflower, All	8.524	0.0000	1	9.419	0.0000	1				
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.257	0.0261	54	3.126	0.1132	38		*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.333	0.0262	34	3.312	0.0298	23	*	*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.141	0.0318	29	2.829	0.2477	22			*	*
Wheat, All	3.261	0.0260	54	3.126	0.1132	38		*	*	*
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.333	0.0262	34	3.312	0.0298	23	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All Winter	3.141	0.0318	29	2.829	0.2477	22			*	*

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

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**Table J - 9:** U.S. September 2003 Mid Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

G	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Samp	ole Data	Difference
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)
Barley, Feed	1.950	1	2.250	1	-0.300
Barley, All	1.974	9	2.250	9	-0.276
Canola	9.400	1	9.500	1	-0.100
Corn, All	2.201	9	2.213	9	-0.012
Corn, Yellow	2.201	28	2.213	19	-0.012
Oats	1.248	4	1.331	5	-0.083
Soybeans	5.638	16	5.840	13	-0.203
Sorghum	3.796	14	3.783	9	0.013
Sunflower, Oil	9.570	2	9.050	3	0.520
Sunflower, All	9.570	7	9.050	7	0.520
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.187	9	3.067	9	0.120
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.213	11	3.133	9	0.081
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.153	16	2.985	12	0.168
Wheat, All	3.185	9	3.067	9	0.118
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.213	9	3.133	9	0.081
Wheat, All Winter	3.153	9	2.985	9	0.168

<sup>1/</sup> *Pseudo*-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

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Table J - 10: U.S. September 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

	Oper	rational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Sam	ple Data	Difference	t value 3/	p
Commodity	Average Price n <sup>2/</sup>		Average Price	Average Price n <sup>2/</sup>			value	
Barley, Feed	1.972 7		7	1.674	3	0.298*	2.577	0.033
Barley, Malting		2.300	1		0			1 .
Barley, All		2.048	7	1.674	3	0.374*	2.857	0.021
Canola		9.170	3	9.424	1	-0.254*	-56.15	0.000
Corn, White			0	3.593	1			
Corn, All		2.168	138	2.157	139	0.011	0.326	0.745
Corn, Yellow		2.168	138	2.156	138	0.012	0.346	0.729
Dry Edible Beans, Other		17.000	1	•	0			
Dry Edible Beans, Pinto		15.620	1	•	0			
Dry Edible Beans, All		15.768	1		0			
Wheat, Durum		3.691	2	•	0			
Flaxseed		4.916	4	5.183	1	-0.267	-0.488	0.659
Oats		1.353	20	1.433	28	-0.080	-1.049	0.299
Dry Peas		2.299	1	•	0			
Rye			0	2.122	1			
Soybeans		5.951	102	5.934	102	0.018	0.265	0.791
Sorghum		3.746	11	3.591	15	0.155	1.180	0.250
Sunflower, Oil		9.651	4	8.988	4	0.663	2.125	0.078
Sunflower, All		9.651	4	8.988	4	0.663	2.125	0.078
Wheat, All Hard Red		3.305	53	3.221	34	0.084	1.726	0.088
Wheat, Hard Red Spring		3.353	31	3.222	18	0.130*	2.229	0.031
Wheat, Hard Red Winter		3.212	33	3.218	22	-0.007	-0.087	0.931
Wheat, All		3.327	61	3.254	47	0.073	1.914	0.058
Wheat, All Other Spring		3.353	31	3.222	18	0.130*	2.229	0.031
Wheat, Soft Red Winter		3.410	7	3.320	13	0.091*	2.699	0.015
Wheat, All Winter		3.291	40	3.281	35	0.010	0.191	0.849

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

<sup>3/</sup> Standard two-tailed t-test.

<sup>\*</sup> Statistically significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level.

**Table J - 11:** U.S. September 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	Operatio	nal Sample		Supplem	Operational Average and Supplemental Average within x Standard Error					
	Average Price	Standard Error	n	Average Price	Standard Error	n	0.5 SE	1.0 SE	1.5 SE	2.0 SE
Barley, Feed	1.972	0.0516	7	1.674	0.1372	3				*
Barley, All	2.048	0.0646	7	1.674	0.1372	3				*
Canola	9.170	0.0023	3	9.424	0.0000	1				
Corn, All	2.168	0.0175	138	2.157	0.0303	139	*	*	*	*
Corn, Yellow	2.168	0.0175	138	2.156	0.0303	138	*	*	*	*
Flaxseed	4.916	0.2446	4	5.183	0.0000	1			*	*
Oats	1.353	0.0450	20	1.433	0.0560	28		*	*	*
Soybeans	5.951	0.0522	102	5.934	0.0408	102	*	*	*	*
Sorghum	3.746	0.0747	11	3.591	0.0980	15		*	*	*
Sunflower, Oil	9.651	0.0661	4	8.988	0.3049	4				*
Sunflower, All	9.651	0.0661	4	8.988	0.3049	4				*
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.305	0.0360	53	3.221	0.0233	34			*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.353	0.0403	31	3.222	0.0324	18				*
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.212	0.0603	33	3.218	0.0267	22	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All	3.327	0.0301	61	3.254	0.0192	47			*	*
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.353	0.0403	31	3.222	0.0324	18				*
Wheat, Soft Red Winter	3.410	0.0317	7	3.320	0.0179	13				*
Wheat, All Winter	3.291	0.0451	40	3.281	0.0189	35	*	*	*	*

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates that the value was within the specified standard error ranges.

Table J - 12: U.S. October 2003 Mid Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

G	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Samp	Difference		
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)	
Corn, All	1.984	20	2.008	20	-0.024	
Corn, Yellow	1.984	59	2.008	63	-0.024	
Oats	1.352	6	2.496	8	-1.143	
Soybeans	6.893	48	6.959	52	-0.067	
Sorghum	3.652	7	3.631	7	0.021	
Sunflower, Oil	9.820	4	9.600	1	0.220	
Sunflower, All	9.820	7	9.600	7	0.220	
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.113	20	3.130	20	-0.018	
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.143	10	3.175	9	-0.032	
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.062	12	3.008	10	0.054	
Wheat, All	3.119	20	3.130	20	-0.011	
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.143	20	3.175	20	-0.032	
Wheat, All Winter	3.062	20	3.008	20	0.054	

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

2/ The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

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**Table J - 13:** U.S. October 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Sam	Difference	3/	p	
Commodity	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)	t value 3/	value
Barley, Feed	1.821	4	1.784 2		0.037	0.478	0.658
Barley, Malting	2.167	2		0			
Barley, All	2.081	6	1.784	2	0.297	1.253	0.257
Canola	10.090	2	9.326	1	0.763	6.166	0.102
Corn, All	2.098	148	2.076	128	0.022	1.015	0.311
Corn, Yellow	2.098	148	2.076	128	0.022	1.015	0.311
Wheat, Durum	3.818	1		0			
Flaxseed	5.836	3		0			
Oats	1.398	17	1.329	14	0.070	0.691	0.495
Rye		0	1.700	1			
Soybeans	6.552	113	6.220	105	0.332	1.571	0.118
Sorghum	3.901	21	3.857	16	0.043	0.417	0.679
Sunflower, Non-Oil	•	0	10.892	1	1		٠
Sunflower, Oil	9.803	9	9.612	6	0.190	-1.131	0.278
Sunflower, All	9.803	9	10.126	7	-0.324	-1.077	0.300
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.377	43	3.336	31	0.042	1.062	0.292
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.408	25	3.341	15	0.067	1.326	0.193
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.310	22	3.312	20	-0.002	-0.048	0.962
Wheat, All	3.379	46	3.329	39	0.050	1.338	0.185
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.408	25	3.341	15	0.067	1.326	0.193
Wheat, Soft Red Winter	3.254	3	3.276	8	-0.021	-0.171	0.868
Wheat, All Winter	3.307	25	3.297	28	0.010	0.208	0.836

<sup>1/</sup> *Pseudo*-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices <u>do not</u> match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

<sup>3/</sup> Standard two-tailed t-test.

<sup>\*</sup> Statistically significant at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level.

Table J - 14: U.S. October 2003 Full Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	Operatio	nal Sample	Data 1/	Supplemo	Operational Average and Supplemental Average within x Standard Error					
	Average Price	Standard Error	n	Average Price	Standard Error	n	0.5 SE	1.0 SE	1.5 SE	2.0 SE
Barley, Feed	1.821	0.0513	4	1.784	0.0042	2		*	*	*
Barley, All	2.081	0.1296	6	1.784	0.0042	2				
Canola	10.090	0.0715	2	9.326	0.0000	1				
Corn, All	2.098	0.0139	148	2.076	0.0164	128		*	*	*
Corn, Yellow	2.098	0.0139	148	2.076	0.0164	128		*	*	*
Oats	1.398	0.0878	17	1.329	0.0296	14		*	*	*
Soybeans	6.552	0.0664	113	6.220	0.2070	105			*	*
Sorghum	3.901	0.0742	21	3.857	0.0691	16	*	*	*	*
Sunflower, Oil	9.803	0.0236	9	9.612	0.2071	6		*	*	*
Sunflower, All	9.803	0.0236	9	10.126	0.3429	7		*	*	*
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.377	0.0277	43	3.336	0.0259	31		*	*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.408	0.0345	25	3.341	0.0304	15			*	*
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.310	0.0333	22	3.312	0.0340	20	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All	3.379	0.0272	46	3.329	0.0246	39		*	*	*
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.408	0.0345	25	3.341	0.0304	15			*	*
Wheat, Soft Red Winter	3.254	0.0331	3	3.276	0.0733	8	*	*	*	*
Wheat, All Winter	3.307	0.0322	25	3.297	0.0366	28	*	*	*	*

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

\* Indicates that the value was within the specified standard error ranges.

**Table J - 15:** U.S. November 2003 Mid Month Price Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	Operational Sampl	e Data 1/	Supplemental Samp	Difference	
	Average Price	n 2/	Average Price	n 2/	(Oper - Supp)
Corn, All	2.168	20	2.143	20	0.025
Corn, Yellow	2.168	63	2.143	48	0.025
Oats	1.389	6	1.314	7	0.075
Soybeans	7.248	42	7.320	40	-0.071
Sorghum	4.051	11	4.076	9	-0.025
Wheat, All Hard Red	3.635	20	3.693	20	-0.059
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	3.662	11	3.702	8	-0.040
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	3.574	15	3.652	13	-0.078
Wheat, All	3.635	20	3.693	20	-0.059
Wheat, All Other Spring	3.662	20	3.702	20	-0.040
Wheat, All Winter	3.574	20	3.652	20	-0.078

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.

<sup>2/</sup> The n's are the number of positive usable reports.

Table J - 16: U.S. Full Month-to-Month Price Difference Comparisons – Operational Sample Data vs. Supplemental Sample Data

Commodity	July - June 2003		-	Aug - July 2003		- Aug 103	Oct - Sept 2003		
	Oper 1/	Supp	Oper 1/	Supp	Oper 1/	Supp	Oper 1/	Supp	
Barley, Feed	-0.1364	-1.2896	0.0637	0.2024	0.0969	-0.1800	-0.1512	0.1101	
Barley, Malting	-1.4848	-0.4532	-0.2569	-0.5954	0.2429		-0.1326		
Barley, All	-1.4463	-1.0617	-0.0111	0.0603	0.1642	-0.4153	0.0326	0.1101	
Canola	-0.7483		-0.3288		0.0525	0.0256	0.9199	-0.0973	
Corn, All	-0.1696	-0.3317	0.0708	0.0911	0.0314	0.0760	-0.0708	-0.0810	
Corn, Yellow	-0.1696	-0.3317	0.0708	0.0911	0.0314	0.0753	-0.0708	-0.0804	
Dry Edible Beans, Pinto					1.0531				
Dry Edible Beans, All					-0.9224			•	
Wheat, Durum	-0.3429	-0.0095	0.0611		0.0060		0.1275		
Flaxseed	-0.2299		-0.3640		-0.3062	0.2338	0.9197		
Oats	-0.3410	-0.4373	-0.1125	-0.0760	0.1284	0.1902	0.0457	-0.1042	
Dry Peas		•			0.2926				
Rye								-0.4224	
Soybeans	-0.3101	0.2569	-0.1539	-0.7152	0.4412	0.3724	0.6001	0.2860	
Sorghum	-0.0387	-0.6933	0.1617	0.2377	0.0133	-0.1822	0.1549	0.2664	
Sunflower, Oil	-1.5300	0.0192	-0.1757	-1.0087	1.1261	-0.4315	0.1519	0.6243	
Sunflower, All	-1.5293	0.0785	-0.1764	-1.0087	1.1261	-0.4315	0.1519	1.1385	
Wheat, All Hard Red	-0.1600	-0.2498	0.3765	0.3741	0.0484	0.0947	0.0723	0.1146	
Wheat, Hard Red Spring	-0.2191	-0.2099	0.0906	0.1192	0.0196	-0.0899	0.0550	0.1183	
Wheat, Hard Red Winter	-0.0791	-0.2993	0.3555	0.2054	0.0709	0.3889	0.0981	0.0936	
Wheat, All	-0.1598	-0.2361	0.3777	0.3592	0.0659	0.1276	0.0519	0.0752	
Wheat, All Other Spring	-0.2191	-0.2099	0.0906	0.1192	0.0196	-0.0899	0.0550	0.1183	
Wheat, Soft Red Winter							-0.1561	-0.0441	
Wheat, All Winter	-0.0791	-0.2993	0.3555	0.2054	0.1504	0.4518	0.0162	0.0158	

<sup>1/</sup> Pseudo-national average prices were calculated using only operational data from those states and strata that were included in the supplemental samples. Therefore, these prices do not match those used to set official estimates.



