

Weekly Poultry Report

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Ready-to-cook demand remains good, however slightly less aggressive in some quarters especially on heavier weight birds. Less-than-truck-lot prices held unchanged though increasing price resistance noted in instances. Advance interest developing slowly despite lower offering prices. Live supplies continue ample and heavier than desired at most plants.

Pool trucklot (Thursday arrival at terminal markets): U.S. Grade A 30-34 M 30½-31c; Plant Grade 29½-31 M 30c. Special packs including 1¾-2, 3½ # sizes few.

New York Eggs

Market full steady to firm with prices generally unchanged, occasionally higher on standards. Street trading activity fair but easily sufficient to clear most offerings. Receipts light from the South and nearby areas occasionally moderate from the Midwest. Out of town inquiry fairly good. Supplies ample on jumbos, adequate on extra large and smalls, occasionally short on fancy large and medium whites. Carton orders fairly good with most interest centered on mediums and large.

Eastern Pennsylvania And New Jersey

Prices of light type hens continue to decline. Demand fair but currently unaggressive as most buyers well booked for balance of the month. Offerings spotty ranging light to occasionally fair as producers hold for further production in view of an improved egg market. Heavy type offerings limited and generally short of a fair call. Prices paid at farm: Light type hens 8½-12 M 11-12c. Heavy type hens few.

Fogelsville

January 13, 1970

(Prices paid dock weights, cents per lb., except where noted)

HENS, Heavy Type 12-23; PULLETS 24-40 mostly 24-30½; ROASTERS 10½-34 mostly 27-34. DUCKS 31-35; DRACKES 30-51; RABBITS 26-60 mostly 42-52; GUINEAS 49-61, PIGEONS (Per Pair) 110-180

TOTAL COOPS SOLD 553.

Lancaster

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200-250 lbs 28 10 28 60. Few 190-200 lbs 27 00-27 60

SHEEP 250 — Woolled Lambs mostly 1.00 higher; Ewes strong to 1.00 higher.

WOOLED LAMBS — Choice 65-105 lbs 29 50-31.50, few 32 00, Good 70-95 lbs 28 50-30 50, Utility 25 00-28 00.

Chicago

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lbs last week and 28 97 and 117 lbs last year. Heifer supply mostly High Good to Prime weighing 850-1075 lbs.

SLAUGHTER STEERS—Load High Choice and Prime 1000 lbs. 30.50 Prime 1175-1425 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 29.50-30.00 with four loads 1175-1200 lbs at 30.00. Mixed High Choice and Prime 1150-1450 lbs 29.00-29.75. Choice 950-1100 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 29.25-30.25. Choice 1100-1350 lbs. 28.25-29.50. Mixed Good and Choice 950-1250 lbs. 28.00-29.00. Good 26.75-27.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — High Choice and Prime 925-1075 lbs. 29.50-29.75 with six loads at 29.75. Choice 850-1025 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 28.25-29.25. Mixed Good and Choice 27.50-28.25. Good 25.50-27.50.

New Holland

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540; Riding horses 85-200; Driving horses 110-280; Killers 7-8.

HOGS

January 12, 1970

Receipts of 945 hogs sold steady. Retail 29-30 50, Wholesale 28 75-29. Heavyweights 26-50 28 75, Sows 20-23, Boars 17-21.

CALVES

January 12, 1970

Receipts of 131 calves sold steady. Choice and Prime 45-53, Good and L Choice 39-44-50, Standard 34-38 50; Common 20-33 50.

HAY

January 12, 1970

Six loads of hay and straw were sold at New Holland as follows: Mixed hay 33-36; Alfalfa hay 40-45, and straw 42-47 50.

Fish Out of Water

A distinctive feature of the clumbing perch, a fish native to Asia and Africa, is that it possesses special breathing equipment which permits it to leave the water and journey overland in quest of a new place to live.

Federally Inspected Livestock Slaughter

(For week starting January 12, 1970)

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
First 4 days	479,000	1,235,000	166,000
Same period last week	467,000	1,014,000	160,000
Same period last year	478,000	1,253,000	183,000

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

(From Monday, January 12 to Friday, January 16, 1970)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Fcy. Ex Large	61½	63	64	64	64
Fcy. Large	60½	62	63	63	63
Fcy. Mediums	55	56	58	58	59
Fcy. Pullets	48	48	49	49	50
Fcy. Peewees	36	36	36	36	36
BROWN					
Fcy. Large	62	62	63	63	63
Fcy. Mediums	55	56	58	58	59
Fcy. Pullets	48	48	49	49	50
Fcy. Peewees	36	36	36	36	36
Standards	56½	56½	58	59	59
Checks	43	43	43	43	43

Trend: Most retail outlets restrained but still report good to excellent clearance with over-all orders close.

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Farm Price Level Up 2 Percent

The December Index of Prices Received by Pennsylvania Farmers was up 2 percent from November. Higher prices for meat animals and eggs attributed most to the increase. The December Index was 9 percent higher than December 1968.

Price Changes of Selected Commodities

	Dec. 15	From Month	From Year
	Av. Price	Earlier	Earlier
Milk, per cwt	\$6 43	\$-0 10	\$+0 14
Eggs, per doz	60	-08	+15
Broilers, per lb	16	-01	00
Steers, heifers, per cwt	27 00	-30	+2 00
Hogs, per cwt	26 20	+1 20	+7 20
Corn, per bu	1 30	+07	+08
Wheat, per bu	1 32	+04	+11
Oats, per bu	76	+03	+03

U.S. Prices Received Index Up 1 Point

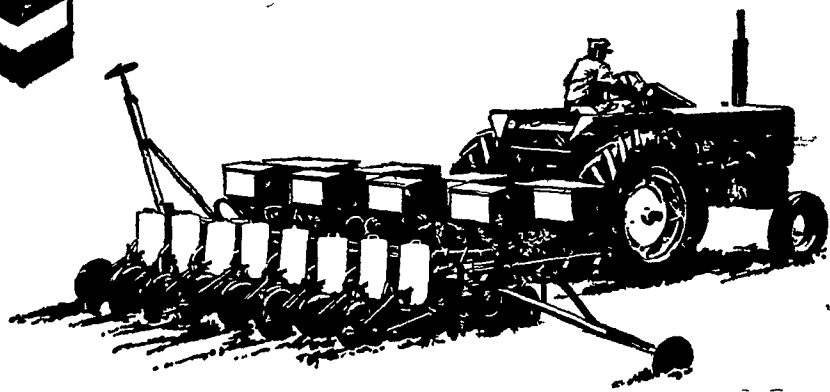
The Index of Prices Received by Farmers advanced 1 point (¼ percent) during the month ended December 15 to 286 percent of its 1910-14 average and was the highest since September 1952. Higher prices for eggs, cattle, and hogs contributed most to the increase. Price declines for lettuce, tomatoes, and cotton were partially offsetting. The index was 9 percent above December 1968.

The Index of Prices Paid Farmers for Commodities and Services, including Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates reached a record high of 378. This was 1 point (¼ percent) above the previous high of 377 in November. The index rose 18 points (5 percent) during the year.

With prices of farm products and prices paid by farmers both higher, the Preliminary Adjusted Party Ratio remained unchanged at 82, and the Party Ratio at 76.

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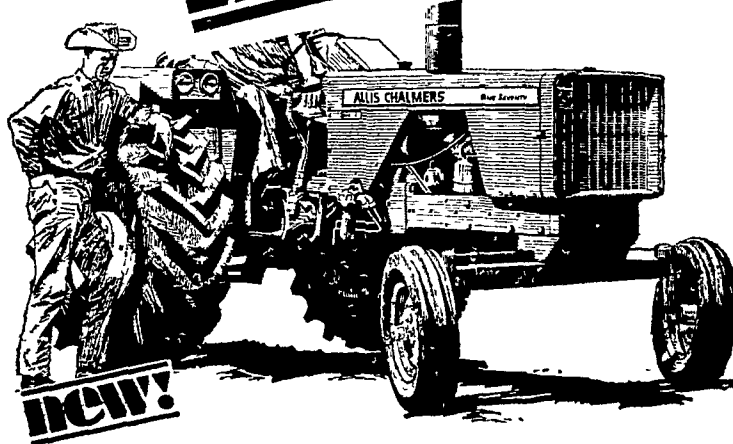
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