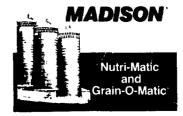


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Loan rates established

WASHINGTON, D.C. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has issued county loan and purchase rates for 1984crop barley, rye and sorghum.

Everett Rank, administrator of USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said USDA made some adjustments of county and state rates to reflect such factors as prices received by farmers and production and consumption trends.

Rank said county rates for barley grading No. 2 or better are based on the national average loan and purchase rate, which USDA announced earlier, of \$2.08 per bushel, 8 cents below the 1983 level.

The rates for sorghum grading No. 2 or better are based on the national average loan and purchase rate of \$4.32 hunper dredweight, 18 cents below the 1983 rate.

The rates for rye grading No. 2 or better. or No. 3 on the factor of test weight only, are based on the national average loan and purchase rate of \$2.17 per bushel. 8 cents below the 1983 rate.

The 1984 schedule of premiums and discounts for all three commodities is unchanged from 1983, Rank said.

Rank said copies of the rates are available from the cotton, grain and rice price support division, ASCS-USDA, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013.





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