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Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association

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How Does Your Herd Compare?

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — This data is pulled from Pennsylvania DHIA's mainframe computer each week. It is a one-week summary representing approximately one-fourth of the herds on test, as they are tested monthly.

These data are valuable from a business management standpoint and can be used for comparing your operations to the averages from almost 1,400 herds across the state.

DHIA Averages for all herds processed between 2/17/93 and 2/24/93

Number of Herds Processed	1,193
Number of Cows Processed	72,490
Number of Cows Per Herd	60.7
Milk Per Cow (Lbs)	18,419
%-Fat	3.72
Fat Per Cow (Lbs)	685
%-Protein	3.19
Protein Per Cow (Lbs)	588
Average Days in Milk Per Cow	317
*Value for CWT Milk(\$)	13.21

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of commodity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets

*Value for CWT Grain(\$)	7.78
*Value for CWT Hay(\$)	4.33
*Value for CWT Silage(\$)	1.53
*Value for Pasture Per Day(\$)	.31
*Value for Milk Per Cow Per Year(\$)	2,434
*Feed Consumed Per Cow Per Year(Lbs)	
A: Grain	7,308
B: Hay	2,252
C: Silage	14,705
D: Day Pasture	67
*Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	
A: Grain	569
B: Hay	97
C: Silage	225
D: Pasture	20
*Total Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	913
*Income Over Feed Costs Per Year(\$)	1,520
*Grain to Milk Ratio	1:2.5
*Feed Cost Per CWT Milk(\$)	4.96
Avg Level For 1041 SCC Herds	320,236

*Member generated figures

or to develop livestock feed cost data, here's this week's average costs of various ingredients as compiled from regional reports across the state of Pennsylvania. Remember these are averages so you will need to adjust your figures up or down according to your location and the quality of your crop.

Corn, No. 2y - 2.33 BU. 4.17 CWT.
Wheat, No. 2 - 3.39 BU. 5.66 CWT.
Barley, No. 3 - 1.86 BU. 3.97 CWT.
Oats, No. 2 - 1.62 BU. 5.04 CWT.
Soybeans, No. 1 - 5.51 BU. 9.20 CWT.
Ear Corn - 61.14 TON 3.06 CWT.
Alfalfa Hay - 104.75 TON 5.24 CWT.
Mixed Hay - 94.75 TON 4.74 CWT.
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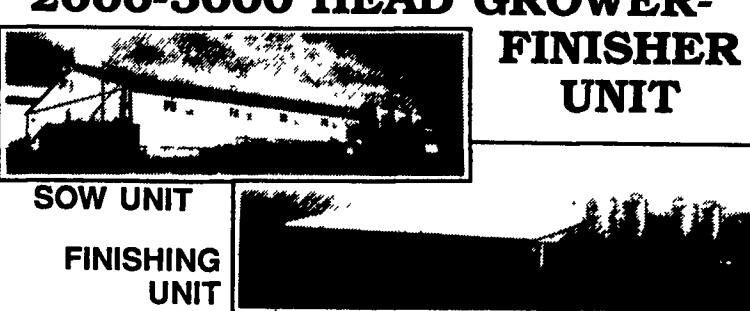
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