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How Does Your Herd Compare?

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — These data are calculated using information 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 about one-fourth of the herds across the state.

DHIA Averages for all herds processed between 9/25/94 and 10/02/94

Number of Herds Processed	915
Number of Cows Processed	59,199
Number of Cows Per Herd	64.6
Milk Per Cow (Lbs)	18,641
%-Fat	3.70
Fat Per Cow (Lbs)	691
%-Protein	3.20
Protein Per Cow (Lbs)	691
Average Days in Milk Per Cow	318
*Value for CWT Milk(\$)	13.18
*Value for CWT Grain(\$)	7.89
*Value for CWT Hay(\$)	4.28
*Value for CWT Silage(\$)	1.55

LOCAL COUPLE ATTENDS PCC CONFERENCE

ALTOONA, Pa. — Reed and Diane Hoover of Lebanon, PA, recently attended the 1994 Young Cooperative Leaders Conference, held July 6-8 at the Ramada Hotel in Altoona, PA.

Hosted by the Pennsylvania Council of Cooperatives, the conference featured a variety of workshops and activities designed to strengthen the participants' knowledge of cooperatives and develop leadership skills.

Representing the Southeastern Region of the State, the Hoovers were among 50 cooperators to attend the 20th annual conference. They were sponsored by the Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

The Pennsylvania Council of Cooperatives is a statewide association of cooperative businesses owned and controlled by farmers and rural Pennsylvanians. Its membership includes major marketing and farm supply cooperatives, Pennsylvania Farm Credit Associations, and Pennsylvania Rural Electric Cooperatives. Organized in 1933, PCC is the voice



Reed and Diane Hoover

for agricultural and rural cooperatives in Pennsylvania. For more information, contact the PCC

office, Building 2 Suite 104, 600 Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.

Average Farm Feed Costs For Handy Reference

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of com-

modity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets 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.

*Value for Pasture Per Day(\$)	.26
*Value for Milk Per Cow Per Year(\$)	2,458
*Feed Consumed Per Cow Per Year(Lbs)	
A: Grain	7,457
B: Hay	2,029
C: Silage	15,396
D: Day Pasture	57
*Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	
A: Grain	589
B: Hay	87
C: Silage	239
D: Pasture	15
*Total Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	931
*Income Over Feed Costs Per Year(\$)	1,527
*Grain to Milk Ratio	1:2.4
*Feed Cost Per CWT Milk(\$)	4.99
Avg Level For 834 SCC Herds	396,931

*Member-generated figures

Corn, No. 2y - 2.54 bu. 4.55 cwt.
Wheat, No. 2 - 3.34 bu. 5.58 cwt.
Barley, No. 3 - 1.70 bu. 3.64 cwt.
Oats, No. 2 - 1.43 bu. 4.46 cwt.
Soybeans, No. 1 - 5.47 bu. 9.13 cwt.
Ear Corn 68.13 ton 3.41 cwt.
Alfalfa Hay - 97.75 ton 4.89 cwt.
Mixed Hay - 92.50 ton 4.63 cwt.
Timothy Hay - 99.50 ton 4.98 cwt.





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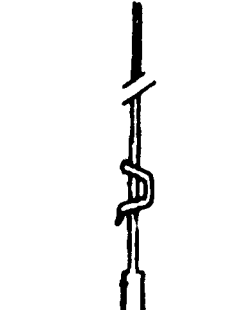
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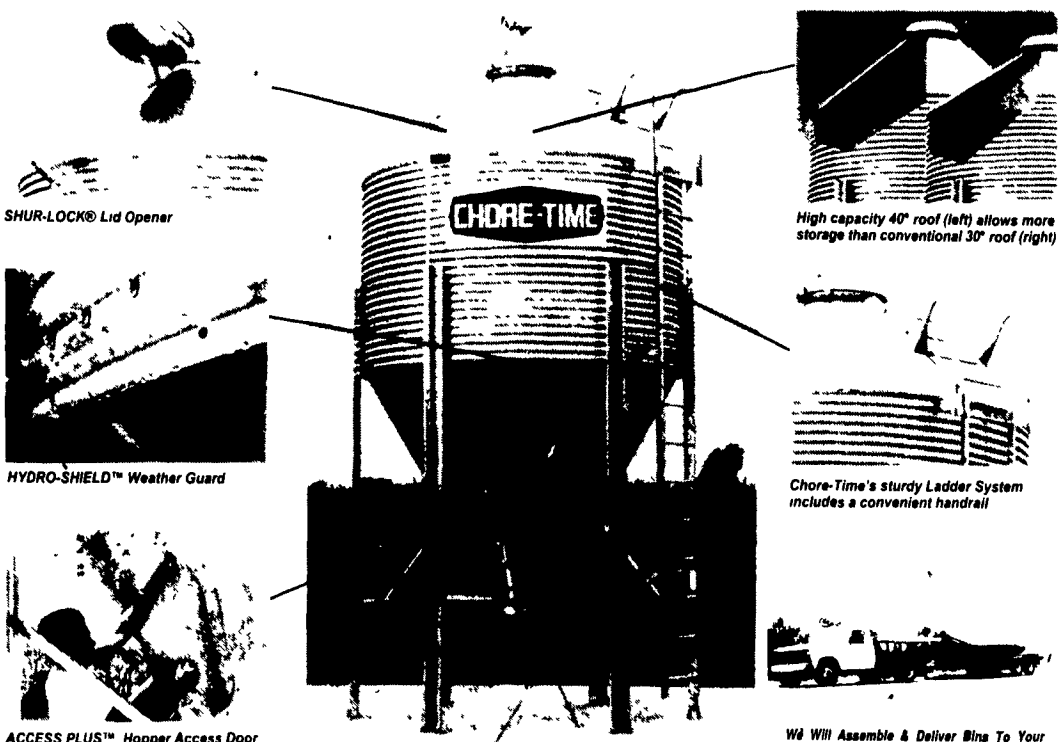
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