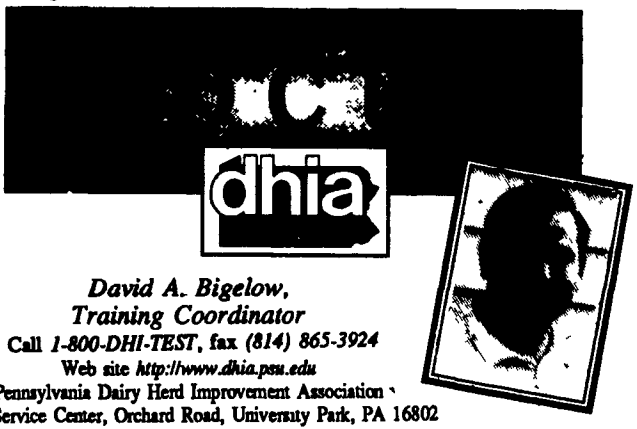


Average Farm Feed Costs For Handy Reference

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of commodity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets or to develop livestock feed cost data, here's last 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 — 2.84 bu., 5.08 cwt.
 Wheat, No. 2 — 3.1 bu., 5.18 cwt.

Barley, No. 3 — 2.05 bu., 4.39 cwt.
 Oats, No. 2 — 1.64 bu., 5.11 cwt.
 Soybeans, No. 1 — 6.26 bu., 10.45 cwt.
 Ear Corn — 84.72 ton, 4.24 cwt.
 Alfalfa Hay — 143.00 ton, 7.15 cwt.
 Mixed Hay — 128.00 ton, 6.4 cwt.
 Timothy Hay — 133.75 ton, 6.69 cwt.



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World Dairy Expo '98 Tour Set

FLEETWOOD (Berks Co.) — If you've often thought about visiting the World Dairy Expo but didn't feel like driving to Wisconsin, or more likely, you planned to go and couldn't secure lodging near Madison; now you can travel with Vista Grande Farm. The Expo features some of the world's finest cows and exhibits the latest in dairying technology.

The tour is scheduled to leave southeastern Pennsylvania via chartered bus on Wednesday, September 30. A buffet luncheon stop at the Minor family's Springhouse Restaurant and an afternoon tour of Select Sires will highlight the first day of travel. Thursday's highlights will include a visit to the well-known Pinehurst Farm in Sheboygan, Wisconsin and an evening dinner theater at the Fireside in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin. A visit to the Dairy Shrine, the Hoard's Dairyman farm and a tour of J-Star Industries will fill Friday morning before heading to the Expo for the beginning of the International Holstein Show. Participants will have the option of traveling to the Cedar Grove Cheese Company Friday afternoon to see that aspect of Wisconsin agriculture. Holstein enthusiasts may choose to remain at the Expo for the World Classic '98 Sale. Saturday will be spent at the Expo. The return trip home will begin Sunday morning and include a visit to the Indianapolis Speedway and Museum. The last day of travel, on Monday, October 5, will begin with a morning visit to Mohrfield Holsteins where participants will get to see many of their 40 Excellent cows.

For more information on an educational fall vacation, call Dave or Phoebe at Vista Grande Farm 610-944-0541.

Milk		PTAM	Rel.
94HO7349	SID	+2764	84%M
9HO1988	NEVADA	+2583	76%
76HO137	SELECT	+2435	86%
9HO1976	STEALTH*	+2370	75%
9HO1933	GAPA	+2327	90%
9HO1286	HIGHMARK	+2242	99%

Net Merit		Net Merit	Rel.
9HO1976	STEALTH*	+\$210	75%
9HO2017	VISTA*	+\$208	80%
94HO7349	SID	+\$206	84%M
76HO137	SELECT	+\$205	86%
9HO1999	GAYLON*	+\$200	75%
9HO1988	NEVADA	+\$199	76%

Protein		PTAP	Rel.
94HO7349	SID	+79	84%M
9HO1976	STEALTH*	+76	75%
9HO1877	FRANCO	+76	88%
76HO137	SELECT	+73	86%
9HO1988	NEVADA	+72	76%
9HO1877	DOMINIC	+71	83%

TPI		TPI
9HO2017	VISTA*	+1511
9HO1868	BESTOW	+1479
9HO1887	DOMINIC	+1462
9HO1729	PATRON	+1457
9HO1878	WINDSOR	+1445
9HO1877	FRANCO	+1432

Calving Ease		CE	Rel.
9HO1708	JUDGE	6	99%
9HO1768	GRANITE	6	96%
9HO2007	OTTER*	6	80%
9HO1999	GAYLON*	7	78%
9HO1792	RICHARD	7	93%
9HO1674	BUNKER	8	98%

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