

Hatchery supply flock figures reveal that White Rocks came from 525 North Dakota flocks or 39 percent of the supply flocks; White Leghorns came from 307 flocks or 23 percent and New Hampshires from 259 flocks or 19 percent of the supplying flocks.

The Poultry Improvement Board reports an extensive analysis upon pullorum tests made in 1947 giving special emphasis to results obtained upon re-tests; readers especially in their Pullorum Testing Analysis 1947 report should apply to their secretary for a copy of it.

North Dakota Farm Prices

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North Dakota farm prices continued at high levels for the two months period ended August 15th in spite of some seasonal price declines. Eight North Dakota farm commodities established new high price records.

The July 15th farm price of \$151.00 for milk cows was the highest price on record. The August 15th farm price for corn at \$2.11 was 11 cents more than the previous record high established in July 1946. The farm prices of barley, beef cattle, and veal calves have been at record highs for three successive months.

The farm price for barley for June 15th was \$1.65 and for July 15th and for August 15th it was \$1.78 per bushel. Beef cattle registered a record high farm price on June 15th at \$19.50, the July 15th price was \$19.70 and the August price was \$19.90 per hundred pounds. The farm price of veal calves on June 15th was \$21.70, the July 15th price was the same but the August 15th price was \$22.00 per hundred. Lambs also established a new price record with a farm price of \$21.20 per hundred. The farm prices of wholesale milk and retail milk were likewise at record heights with August 15th prices of \$3.65 per hundred pounds for wholesale milk and 15 cents per quart for retail milk.

The August 15th North Dakota all-commodity farm price index was 19 points lower than the previous month but 55 points above that of a year before. The farm price index for grains was down 32 points from the month previous but 61 points higher than a year earlier. The index for meat animals was up 7 points for the month and 92 points for the year. The farm index for dairy products was up 9 points over the month earlier but the index for poultry and eggs was down 3 points from that of July 15th, 1947.

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Average Prices Received By North Dakota Farmers August 15, 1947, With Comparisons

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Commodity	Unit	Average Prices				Price Relatives ¹		
		Aug.	July	Aug.	Aug. 1909	Aug.	July	Aug.
		15	15	15	July 1914	15	15	15
		1947	1947	1946	Average	1947	1947	1946
All Spring Wheat	bu.	2.16	2.47	1.80	.847	255	292	213
Durum	bu.	2.17	2.24	1.95	.....	.....	.....	.....
Other Spring	bu.	2.16	2.54	1.76	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corn	bu.	2.11	1.83	1.59	.573	368	319	277
Oats	bu.	.88	.87	.63	.353	249	246	178
Barley	bu.	1.78	1.78	1.28	.539	330	330	237
Rye	bu.	2.10	2.65	1.50	.60	350	442	250
Flaxseed	bu.	5.65	5.65	3.60	1.708	331	331	211
Beef Cattle	cwt.	19.90	19.70	14.00*	4.48	444	440	312*
Veal Calves	cwt.	22.00	21.70	15.20*	6.01	366	361	253*
Sheep	cwt.	7.50	8.30	7.20	4.50	165	184	159
Lambs	cwt.	21.20	20.50	15.90	5.62	377	365	283
Hogs	cwt.	22.70	22.00	19.40*	6.78	335	324	286*
Wholesale Milk	cwt.	3.65	3.55	3.45	2.08	176	171*	166
Retail Milk	qt.	.150	.150	.131	.063	238	238	208
Butter	lb.	.74	.70	.72	.236	314	297	305
Butterfat	lb.	.74	.69	.71	.254	291	272	280
Chickens (Live)	lb.	.217	.225	.219	.099	219	227	221
Turkeys (Live)	lb.	.32	.31	.33	.125	256	248	264
Eggs	doz.	.334	.351	.288	.206	162	170	140
Loose Hay	ton	9.30	9.80	6.80	6.35	147	154	107
Horses	head	37.00	35.00	37.00	149.00	25	23	25
Milk Cows	head	147.00	151.00	128.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wool	lb.	.38	.36	.43	.171	222	210	251
Potatoes	bu.	1.80	1.50	1.90	.636	283	236	307
Alfalfa seed	bu.	21.00	25.00	20.60	.....	177	211	174
Sweet clover seed	bu.	5.50	7.00	6.00	.....	124	158	135

¹Relation of current prices of each commodity to the average price of each commodity during the base period, August 1909 to July 1914.

*Revised.

Indices of North Dakota Agriculture¹

	Aug.	July	Aug.
	15	15	15
	1947	1947	1946
North Dakota farm price index ² (All Groups)	287	306	232*
Grains	277	309	216
Meat Animals	390	383	298*
Dairy Products	272	263	265
Poultry and Eggs	199	202	189
Miscellaneous	191	175	201
U. S. farm price index (All Groups)	276	276	249
U. S. index of prices paid by farmers	235	231	202*
North Dakota ratio of prices received to prices paid ³	122	132	115

¹August 1909 - July 1914—100.

²Calculated by the percentage method.

³Ratio for North Dakota based on United States prices paid by farmers.

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