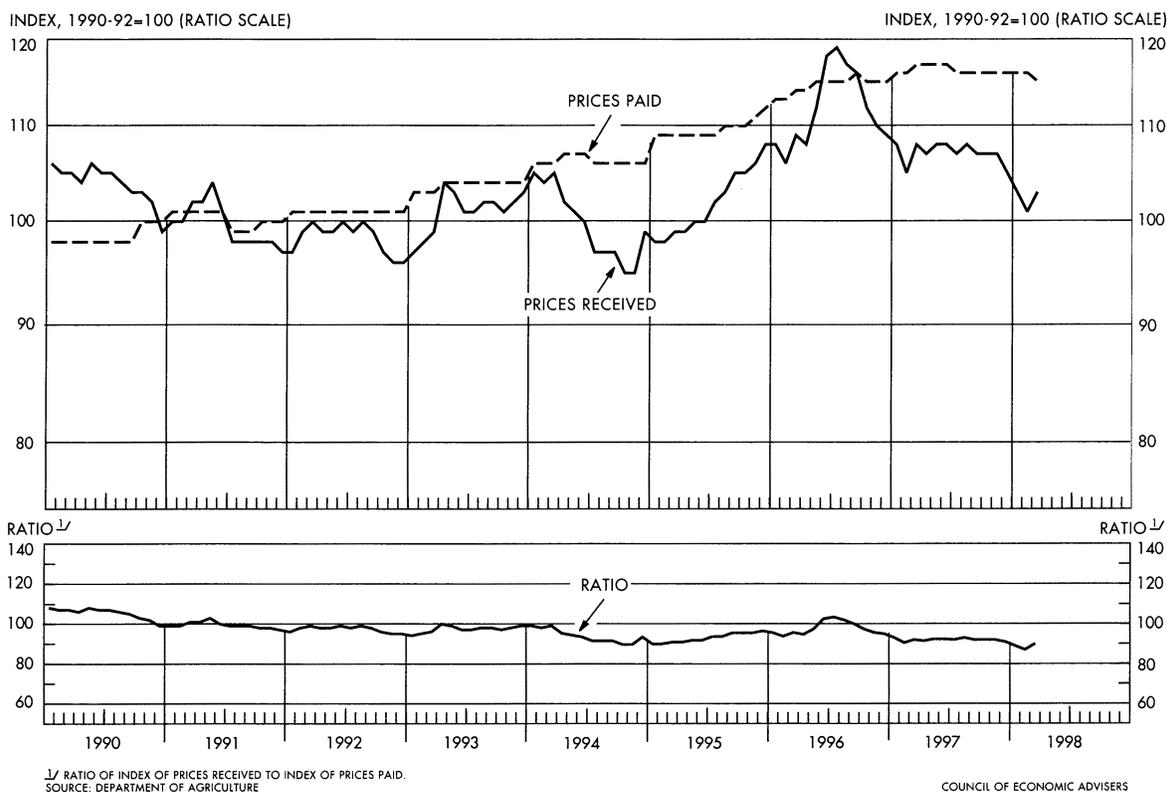


PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS

In March, prices received by farmers rose 2.0 percent and prices paid by farmers fell 0.9 percent. (Data are not seasonally adjusted.)



[1990-92= 100; not seasonally adjusted]

Period	Prices received by farmers			Prices paid by farmers			Ratio ²
	All farm products	Crops	Livestock and products	All commodities, services, interest, taxes, and wage rates ¹	Production items, interest, taxes, and wage rates	Production items	
1988	99	104	93	91	92	90	108
1989	104	109	100	96	97	95	108
1990	104	103	105	99	99	99	105
1991	100	101	99	100	100	100	99
1992	98	101	97	101	101	101	97
1993	101	102	100	104	102	103	97
1994	100	105	95	106	105	106	94
1995	102	112	92	110	109	109	93
1996	112	126	99	115	114	115	98
1997	107	115	99	116	116	116	92
1997: Mar	108	118	99	117	117	116	92
Apr	107	116	100	117	117	117	91
May	108	117	100	117	117	117	92
June	108	119	98	117	116	117	92
July	107	114	100	116	116	116	92
Aug	108	116	99	116	115	116	93
Sept	107	114	99	116	116	116	92
Oct	107	114	97	116	115	115	92
Nov	107	115	98	116	115	115	92
Dec	105	111	97	116	115	115	91
1998: Jan	103	110	94	116	115	114	89
Feb	101	110	94	116	115	113	87
Mar	103	112	95	115	114	112	90

¹ Includes items not shown separately.

² Percentage ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid, interest, taxes, and wage rates.

NOTE.—The official indexes are published on a 1910-14 base as required by law. The indexes have been converted to a 1990-92=100 base to facilitate comparison with other indexes. Source: Department of Agriculture.