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Cost and return estimates are reported for the United States and major production regions for corn, soybeans, wheat, cotton, grain sorghum, rice, peanuts, oats, barley, milk, hogs, and cow-calf. The series of commodity cost and return estimates for the U.S. and regions is divided into two categories: Recent and Historical estimates. Recent estimates date back to the point of the most recent major revision in accounting methods, account format, and regional definitions for each commodity. Historical estimates date back to when the series began. Cost-of-Production Forecasts are also available for major U.S. field crops. Organic Costs and Returns for corn, milk, wheat, and soybeans are also available.

Also, see the ERS Milk Cost of Production Estimates data product.

NEW! Recent Commodity Costs and Returns data are now available in pivot tables and machine-readable sheets for all commodities.

- Recent Cost and Returns
- Historical Costs and Returns: Corn
- Historical Costs and Returns: Soybeans
- Historical Costs and Returns: Wheat
- Historical Costs and Returns: Cotton
- Historical Costs and Returns: Rice
- Historical Costs and Returns: Grain sorghum
- Historical Costs and Returns: Barley
- Historical Costs and Returns: Oats
- Historical Costs and Returns: Sugar Beets
- Historical Costs and Returns: Peanuts
- Historical Costs and Returns: Tobacco
- Historical Costs and Returns: Milk
- Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, all
- Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, farrow-finish
- Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, farrow-feeder
- Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, feeder-finish
- Historical Costs and Returns: Cow-Calf
- Cost-of-Production Forecasts

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Data Set	Last Updated	Next Update
Recent Cost and Returns		
Corn	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Soybeans	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Wheat	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Cotton	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Rice	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Sorghum	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Barley	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Oats	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Peanuts	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Milk	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Hogs, All	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Hogs, Farrow-Finish	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Hogs, Farrow-Feeder	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Hogs, Feeder-Finish	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Hogs, Farrow-Wean	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Hogs, Wean-Feeder	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Cow-Calf	10/1/2020	5/3/2021
Historical Costs and Returns: Corn		
U.S.: 1975-95	10/4/2001	
Southeast: 1975-95	10/4/2001	
Historical Costs and Returns: Soybeans		
U.S.: 1975-96	10/4/2001	
Southeast: 1975-96	10/4/2001	
Historical Costs and Returns: Wheat		
U.S.: 1975-88, 1989-97	10/4/2001	
Southeast: 1975-88, 1989-97	10/4/2001	
West: 1975-88, 1989-97	10/4/2001	
Historical Costs and Returns: Cotton		
U.S.: 1975-96	10/5/2011	
Southeast: 1975-96	10/5/2011	
West: 1975-96	10/5/2011	
Historical Costs and Returns: Rice		
U.S.: 1975-99	9/4/2002	
West: 1975-99	9/4/2002	

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Historical Costs and Returns: Grain sorghum		
U.S.: 1975-94	10/5/2011	
Historical Costs and Returns: Barley		
U.S.: 1975-2002	4/11/2005	
West: 1975-2002	4/11/2005	
Historical Costs and Returns: Oats		
U.S.: 1975-2004	8/17/2007	
Historical Costs and Returns: Sugar Beets		
U.S. and Regional: 2000-2007	10/1/2008	
U.S.: 1981-91, 1992-99	10/7/2004	
West: 1981-91, 1992-99	10/7/2004	
Historical Costs and Returns: Peanuts		
U.S.: 1975-94	10/5/2001	
Southeast: 1975-94	10/5/2001	
Historical Costs and Returns: Tobacco		
U.S.: 1996-2004	9/13/2005	
Historical Costs and Returns: Milk		
U.S.: 1980-92, 1993-99	5/24/2002	
Southeast: 1980-92, 1993-99	5/24/2002	
West: 1980-92, 1993-99	9/11/2002	
Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, all		
U.S.: 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Southeast: 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, farrow-finish		
U.S.: 1982-91, 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Southeast: 1982-91, 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, farrow-feeder		
U.S.: 1982-91, 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Southeast: 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Historical Costs and Returns: Hogs, feeder-finish		
U.S.: 1982-91, 1992-97	11/7/2011	
Southeast: 1992-97	10/5/2011	
Historical Costs and Returns: Cow-Calf		
U.S.: 1982-89, 1990-95	10/5/2011	
Southeast: 1982-89, 1990-95	10/5/2011	

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Data Set	Last Updated	Next Update
West: 1982-89, 1990-95	10/5/2011	
Cost-of-Production Forecasts		
Cost-of-production forecasts for U.S. major field crops, 2020F-2021F	6/22/2020	12/17/2020

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Interactive Visualization: U.S. Commodity Costs and Returns by Region and by Commodity, Field Crops

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