

Agriculture Prices at a Glance- \$\$\$\$\$

A-B denotes the difference between 1st preference & second preference and sometimes between wholesale & retail and bulk or small amounts . Trend (H) means Higher over last 30 to 60 day (L) Lower (S) Steady

all Belize dollars - usually price per lb

Belize Cattle	T	A	B
Young str. & bulls- 750- 1100 lbs	S	.95 -1.00	.93 - .95
Cows & Heifers for Butcher	S	.60 - .75	(old).50 - .60
Heifers for breeding 650-900 lbs	S	1.00 - 1.15	.90 - 1.00
Young grass cattle- 350- 650 lbs	S	.85 - .95	.75 - .85
U.S price -corn fed- 1000- 1200 lbs	S-L	180 - 185	175 - 180
U.S price - feeders 600- 800 lbs	L	2.00 - 2.10	1.90 - 2.00
U.S price- calves 450- 600 lbs	S-L	2.05 - 2.15	1.95 - 2.05
U.S price- aged butcher cows	S	.80 - .90	.70 - .80
Belize Hogs			
Weiner pigs- 30 -50 lbs- by the head	S-L	\$85.00 - \$95.00	
Butcher pigs 125 - 200 lbs	S	1.70 - 1.75	1.65 - 1.70
Belize Sheep			
Butcher lambs	S	2.50 - 2.75	2.25 - 2.50
Mature ewes	S	1.70 - 1.75	1.60 - 1.70
Belize Chickens			
Broilers- live per lb	S	1.10- 1.15	1.05- 1.10
Old hens	S	.73- .76	.70- .73
Belize Milk			
Pd to farmer per lb	S	.45 contract	no demand
Special farm items			
Shrimp Retail- Farm Raised	S	6.50 - 8.50	5.50 - 6.50
Pitaya 12-16 oz	S	1.75 - 2.00 each	
Eggs-case of 30 dozen	L-S	59- wholesale	68 retail

Grains, Beans & Rice	T	A	B
Belize yellow corn	S	.18 - .19	.17 - .18
White Corn	S	.21 - .22	.20 - .21
Corn/ Local retail (Low volume)	S	.27 - .30	.24 - .27
U.S corn price @ 3.75 U.S a bushel	S	.13 - .15	.12 - .13
Guatemala corn price/Peten	S-H	.25 - .27	.23- .25
Belize Milo	S	.15 - .16	.14 - .15
R-K's, little reds & blacks (beans)	S	.85 -1.00	.75 - .85
Black eyed peas	S	1.00 - 1.25	.75 - Spa Lt
Paddy rice/ from combine	S	.30 - .33	.28 - .30
Milled retail rice per pound	S	whosal 105-110	Ret 120-130
Citrus			
Oranges per 90 lb box-lb.solid basis	H	\$9.50 Est. 2010 price	
Grapefruit- per 90 lb box	L	\$4.50 Est. 2010 price	
Sugar			
Cane per ton- est. 2010 price	S	\$50 - \$65 per ton	
White Sugar- 112 lbs- controlled	S	\$44.42 per bag	
Brown Sugar- 112 lbs- controlled	S	\$38.31 per bag	
Bananas			
Export @ 40 lb box	S	Apr- May .price- 12 - 13	
Local Wholesale #2 quality- 40 lb	S	\$ 7.00- \$10.00	
Retail #2 @ 8 per sale	S	\$1.00 - \$1.50	
Fruits & Vegetables			
Tomatoes, Cabbages, cucumbers	S	.50 - 1.25, wh	1.25 - 2.00,rt

***These prices are best estimates only from our best sources and simply provide a range to assist buyers and sellers in negotiations. ***

Dear Ag Readers: Prices on livestock of nearly all classes have been draggy to lower. Grains are steady and both are waiting patiently for the Mexican/ Guatemalan markets to open up. The Partial Scope Trading Agreement (Guatemala) is very close. We have established some good relationships there and feel that long term business will happen. Farmers are ready to plant and some black dirt was dusted in. We are having the wettest May in my 33 years of remembrance, 7 or 8 inches or more in the last 10 days. May God Bless your family, your business and your country. All the best, John Carr