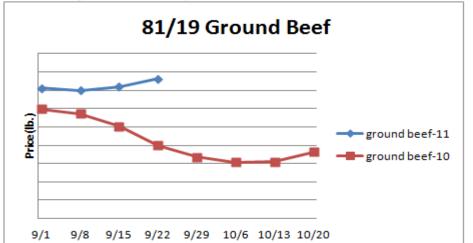
# **Beef, Veal and Lamb Report**

**Beef, Veal & Lamb-** Beef output last week decreased 4.1% but was .3% larger than the same week a year ago. Beef markets have remained firm counter to the seasonal (lower) trend. Domestic and international demand for beef end cuts and for beef trimmings has been strong. A deflated dollar would continue to support these markets. Pasture conditions remain in poor shape in the Southwest US. Plus, alfalfa hay and feed grain costs are expensive. This is bearish for beef output for 2012 as cattle supplies will be limited. The USDA is forecasting beef production to be down 4% during the first half of next year.

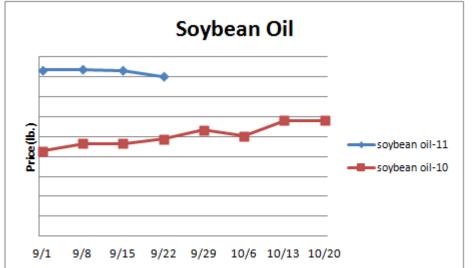


	Market Trend	<u>Supplies</u>	<u>Price vs. Last Year</u>
Live Cattle (Steer)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Ground Beef 81/19	Increasing	Good	Higher
Ground Chuck	Decreasing	Good	Higher
109 Export Rib (choice)	Increasing	Good	Higher
109 Export Rib (prime)	Increasing	Good	Higher
112a Ribeye (choice)	Increasing	Good	Higher
112a Ribeye (prime)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
116 Chuck (choice)	Increasing	Good	Higher
120 Brisket (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
121c Outside Skirt (ch/sel.)	Increasing	Good	Higher
167a Knckle, Trimmed (choice)	Increasing	Good	Higher
168 Inside Round (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
174 Short Loin (choice 0x1)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
174 Short Loin (prime 2x3)	Increasing	Good	Higher
180 1x1 Strip (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
180 1x1 Strip (prime)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
180 0x1 Strip (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
184 Top Butt, boneless (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
184 Top Butt, boneless (prime)	Increasing	Good	Higher
185a Sirloin Flap (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
185c Loin, Tri-Tip (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
189a Tender (select, 5 lb & up)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
189a Tender (choice, 5 lb &up)	Increasing	Good	Higher
189a Tender (prime, heavy)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
193 Flank Steak (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
50% Trimmings	Decreasing	Good	Higher
65% Trimmings	Decreasing	Good	Higher
75% Trimmings	Steady	Good	Higher
85% Trimmings	Decreasing	Good	Higher
90% Trimmings	Decreasing	Good	Higher
90% Imported Beef (frozen)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Veal Rack (Hotel 7 rib)	Steady	Good	Higher
Veal Top Round (cap off)	Steady	Good	Higher

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## **Oil and Grains Report**

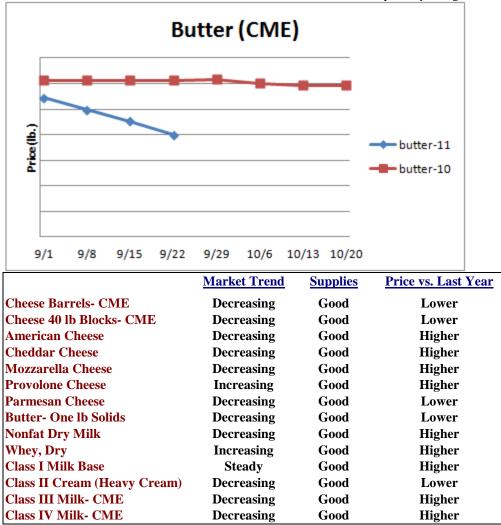
**Oil & Grains-** The 2011 corn harvest is underway. Pending grain supplies still look tight, especially for corn. The downside market risk in grains from here could only be modest.



	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
Soybeans	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Crude Soybean Oil	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Soymeal	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Corn	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Crude Corn Oil	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Distillers Grain, Dry	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Crude Palm Oil	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Hard Red Winter Wheat	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Dark Northern Spring Wheat	Decreasing	Good	Higher
High Fructose Corn Syrup	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Durum Wheat	Increasing	Good	Higher

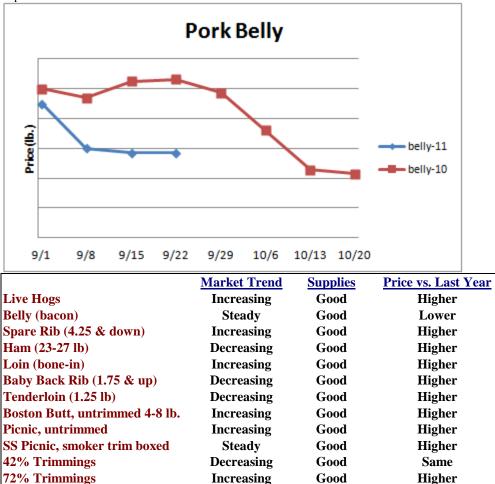
## **Dairy Report**

**Dairy**- August milk production was 2.2% more than last year due to a 1% rise in milk per cow yields and a 1.1% larger milk cow herd. The milk cow herd rose in August as attractive milk prices motivated dairy farmers to increase their herd. International cheese prices were up slightly in the recent global dairy trade auction but are still 6.5% below their July high. Further cheese market weakness is anticipated but it may only be modest. Global and domestic butter markets have weakened in recent weeks. Additional butter market declines may be impending.



## **Pork Report**

**Pork**- Pork output last week increased 4.2% and was .4% larger than the same week in 2010. Pork output tends to rise in the coming weeks and lower pork prices usually follow. Inflated feed costs for hogs are expected to remain in place which could mitigate feed use by hog farmers. If so, lighter hog weights may be the result which could temper pork output. The US dollar has strengthened versus other currencies as of late. If this persists, it could dampen pork exports.



# **Canned Tomato Report**

**Tomato Products, Canned**- The US tomato for canning harvest continues to progress at its slowest pace in over a decade. Canned tomato prices may firm.

	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
Whole Peeled Standard	Steady	Good	Lower
Diced, Fancy	Steady	Good	Lower
Ketchup, 33%	Steady	Good	Lower
Tomato Paste- Ind.	Steady	Good	Higher

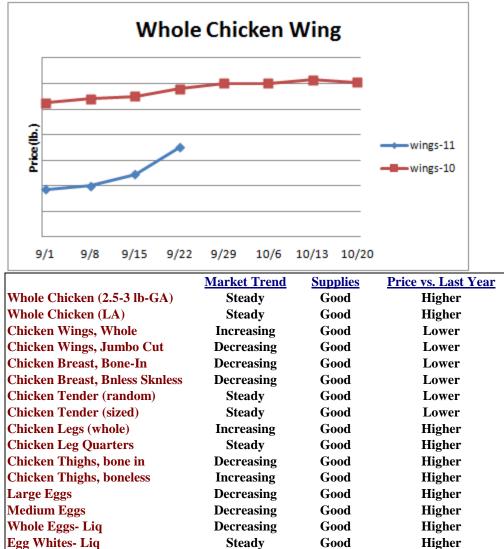
#### **Poultry Report**

Egg Yolks- Liq

Whole Turkey (8-16 lb)

**Turkey Breast- Bnls/Sknls** 

**Poultry**- Chicken producers continue to aggressively reduce future chicken production. Broiler-type eggs sets last week were down 7% from the same week in '10 and were the smallest for any week since October '02. This remains supportive for the chicken markets. High feed costs are expected to persist. Chicken producer margins have improved recently but are still historically poor. Seasonal demand for chicken wings is healthy. The ARA daily chicken wing index has risen 13.3% in four weeks and further price gains for wings are probable. The chicken breast markets have come under pressure which is usually the case in September. Expect chicken breast prices to move lower in the coming weeks.



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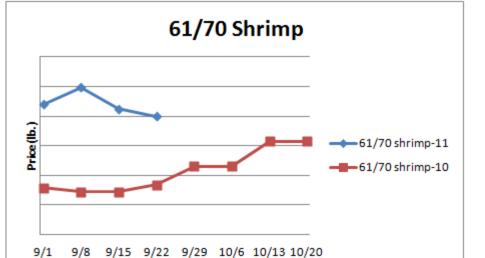
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## **Seafood Report**

**Seafood**- In August, fresh seafood retail prices were up 10% compared to last year and were a record high for any previous August. These inflated retail prices for seafood have caused consumer demand to slow. If high seafood retail prices persist it would be bearish for overall wholesale seafood markets. Gulf of Mexico shrimp landings in August were up 21% versus 2010. The shrimp markets are trending downward.



	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
Salmon, Whole (10-12 lb)	Steady	Good	Lower
Catfish, Filets	Steady	Good	Higher
Trout, Drn. (8-14 oz)	Steady	Good	Higher
Shrimp (16-20 count)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Shrimp (61-70 count)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Shrimp, Tiger (26-30 count)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Snow Crab Legs (5-8 oz)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Snow Crab Legs (8 oz up)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Cod Tails, 3-7 oz. Frz.	Steady	Good	Higher
Cod Loins, 3-12 oz. Frz.	Steady	Good	Lower
Salmon Portions, 4-8 oz. Frz.	Decreasing	Good	Higher

## **Bean, Rice, Coffee and Sugar Report**

	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
Pinto Beans	Increasing	Good	Higher
Black Beans	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Rice, Long Grain	Increasing	Good	Higher
Coffee Beans	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Sugar	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Honey	Steady	Good	Higher

#### **Paper Product Report**

Wood Pulp (paper)	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
NBSK- Paper napkin	Increasing	Good	Lower
42 lb. Linerboard-corrugated box	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Plastic Resins (plastic, foam)			
PS-CHH-utensils, cups, to-go cont.	Steady	Good	Higher
<b>PP-HIGP-</b> heavy grade utensils	Steady	Good	Higher
PE-LLD-can liners, film, bags	Steady	Good	Higher

## **Retail Price Change from Prior Month**

	Aug-11	Jul-11	Jun-11
Beef and Veal	Increasing	Increasing	Decreasing
Dairy	Increasing	Increasing	Increasing
Pork	Increasing	Increasing	Increasing
Chicken	Decreasing	Increasing	Increasing
Fresh Fish and Seafood	Decreasing	Increasing	Decreasing
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Increasing	Decreasing	Decreasing

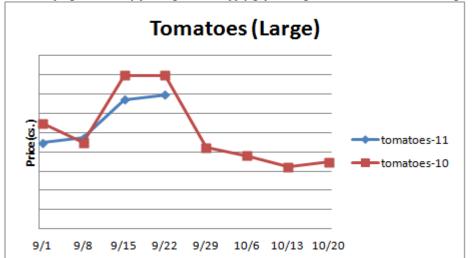
# **Processed Fruits and Vegetables Report**

**Processed Fruits and Vegetables-** Harvest for crops designated for processed vegetables remain behind and supplies may be tight in 2012. Expect processed vegetable markets to remain firm.

<u>Canned 6/10</u>	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	<u>Price vs. Last Year</u>
Corn, Fancy Whole Kernel	Steady	Good	Higher
Green Beans, Fancy 4 sv	Steady	Good	Higher
Green Peas, Fancy 4 sv/blend	Steady	Good	Higher
Frozen			
Corn, Cob 96 count	Steady	Good	Higher
Corn, Kernel 12/2.5 lb.	Steady	Good	Lower
Green Beans, Cut 12/2 lb.	Steady	Good	Lower
Green Peas, 12/2.5 lb.	Steady	Good	Higher
Potatoes, FF Fancy, 6/5 lb.	Steady	Good	Higher

## **Produce Report**

**Produce-** The potato harvest continues to progress in many regions of the US. As a result potato supplies are improving although product is reported to be smaller sized. Potato prices have begun their seasonal decline and further downside price pressure is likely to occur. Yellow onion supplies are adequate especially for jumbo and medium sized product. Onion prices are usually steady during the fall. The chief tomato harvest areas in the US will transition south as the fall progresses. Any pending tomato supply gaps during the transition could lead to higher tomato prices.



	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
Limes (150 count)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Lemons (95 count)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Lemons (200 count)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Honeydew (6 ct.)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Cantaloupe (15 count)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Blueberries (12 count)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Strawberries (12 pints)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Avocados, Hass (48 count)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Bananas (40 lb)-Term.	Increasing	Good	Higher
Pineapple (7 ct.)- Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Idaho Potato (60 count)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Idaho Potato (70 count)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Idaho Potato (70 count)-Term.	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Idaho Potato (90 count)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Idaho Potato #2 (6 oz. min.)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Processing Potato (100 lb)	Steady	Good	Higher
Yellow Onions (50 lb)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Yellow Onions (50 lb)-Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Red Onions (25 lb)-Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
White Onions (50 lb)-Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Tomatoes, (large- case)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Tomatoes, (5x6, 25 lb.)-Term.	Increasing	Good	Lower
Tomatoes, Vine Ripe, (4x5)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Roma Tomatoes (large- case)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Roma Tomatoes (xlarge- case)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Green Peppers (large- case)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Red Peppers (large- 15 lb. cs.)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Iceberg Lettuce (24 count)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Iceberg Lettuce (24 cnt)-Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
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# **Produce Report (continued)**

Leaf Lettuce (24 count)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Romaine Lettuce (24 count)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Mesculin Mix (3 lb)-Term.	Steady	Good	Higher
Broccoli (14 cnt.)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Squash (case)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Zucchini (case)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Green Beans (bushel)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Spinach, Flat 24's	Increasing	Good	Higher
Mushrooms (large), Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Cucumbers, Bushel	Increasing	Good	Higher
Pickles (200-300 ct.)-Term.	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Asparagus (small)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Freight (CA to City Avg.)	Increasing	Good	Higher