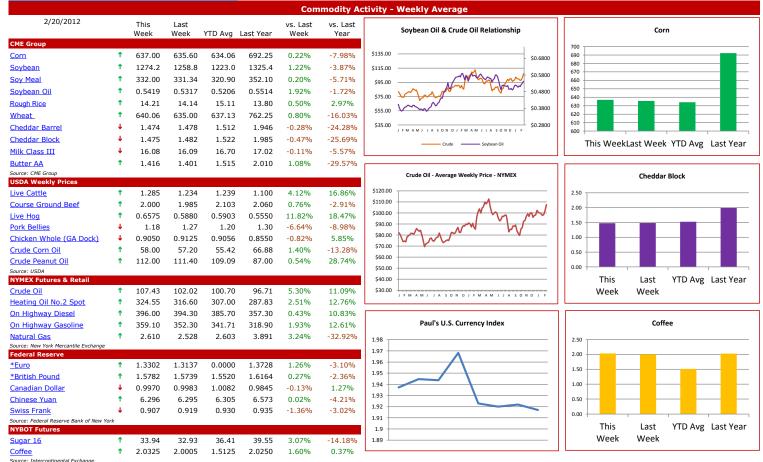


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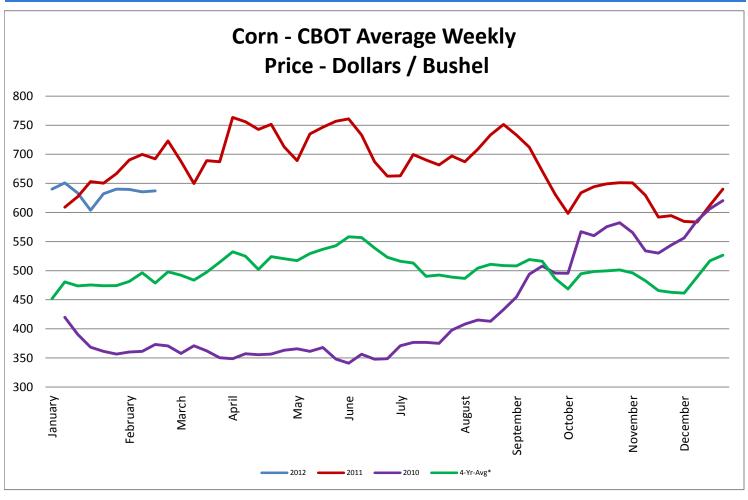
#### **Market Commentary**

Commentary: Markets were on the rise last week again. We have seen some pretty significant increases over the past few weeks. The U.S. dollar has been sliding downward, while crude oil reached over \$109.00 a barrel. It is certain that when crude takes such a jump that other commodities will too. However, if gas prices continue to rise, it is likely that domestic demand will start to suffer as discretionary income will take a hit. Rains fell in South America, but it may be too late for rain to help the soybean crop. No one is really sure at this point, what size the crop will be. There are also, as usual, logistical issue in South America. China has been buying U.S. soybeans since we have been completive with Argentina. Currently, in the good news category, beans are taking some of the "Swing" acres expected for corn. Maybe futures for beans will not skyrocket. But the current situation, tells me that we will continue to see futures trend upward until we know for sure what the planting intentions really are for this growing season.

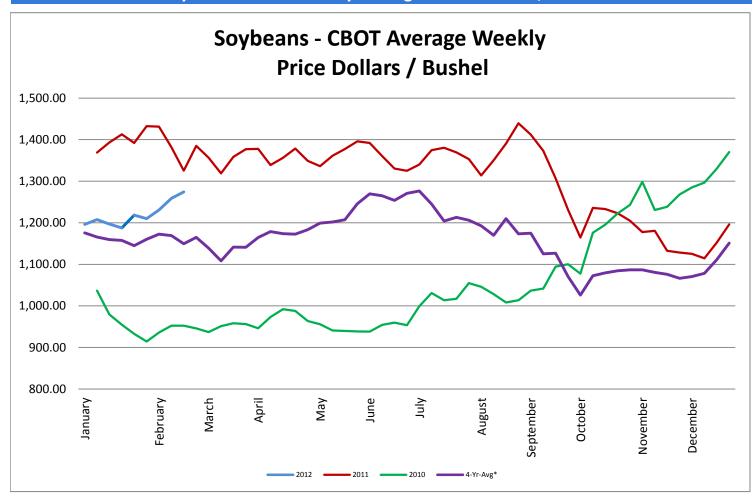
Corn futures closed between \$6.29-1/2 and \$6.41-3/4 per bushel, ending the week at \$6.40-2/4. Soybean futures closed between \$12.67-1/2 and \$12.76-3/4 per bushel, ending the week at \$12.76-3/4. Soybean meal futures closed between \$330.20 and \$333.60 per short ton, ending the week at \$333.60. Soybean oil futures closed between \$0.5340 and \$0.5429 per pound, ending the week at \$0.5429. Wheat futures closed between \$6.33 and \$6.44-1/2 per bushel, ending the week at \$6.41.

<sup>\*</sup> Used as the indexing unit of measure for this exchange rate

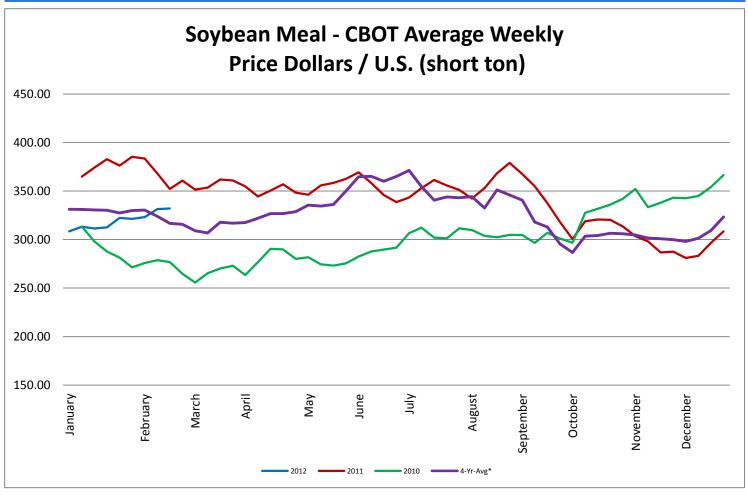




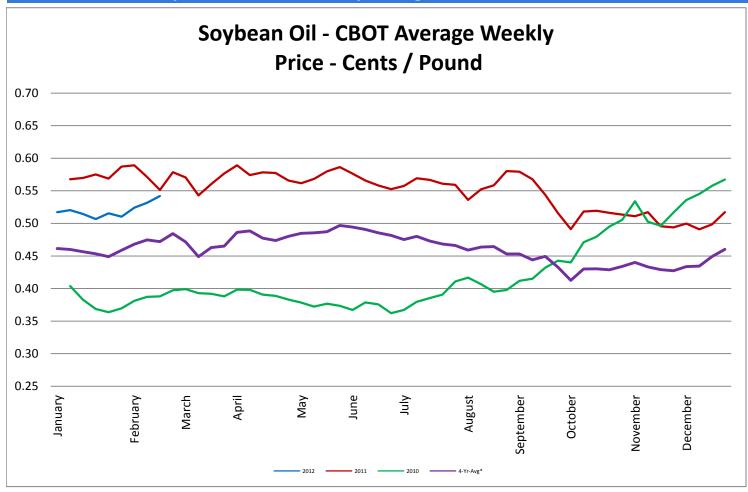
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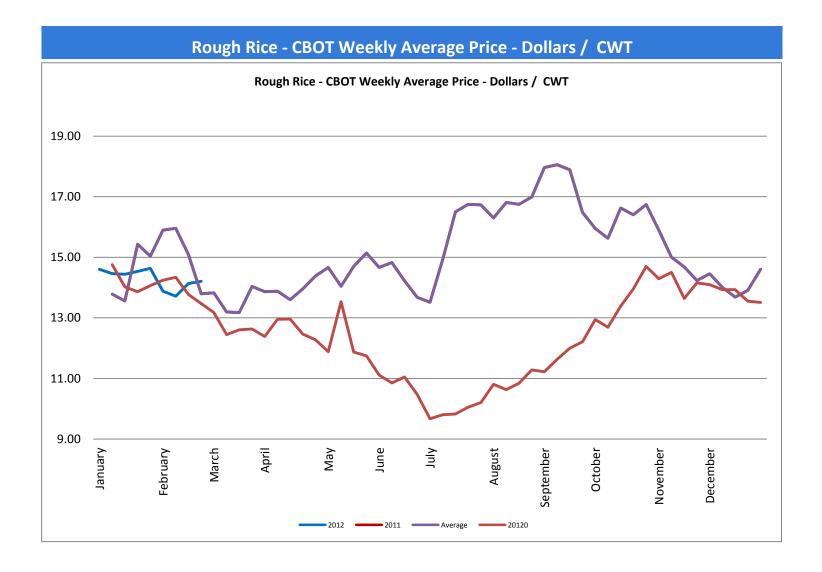


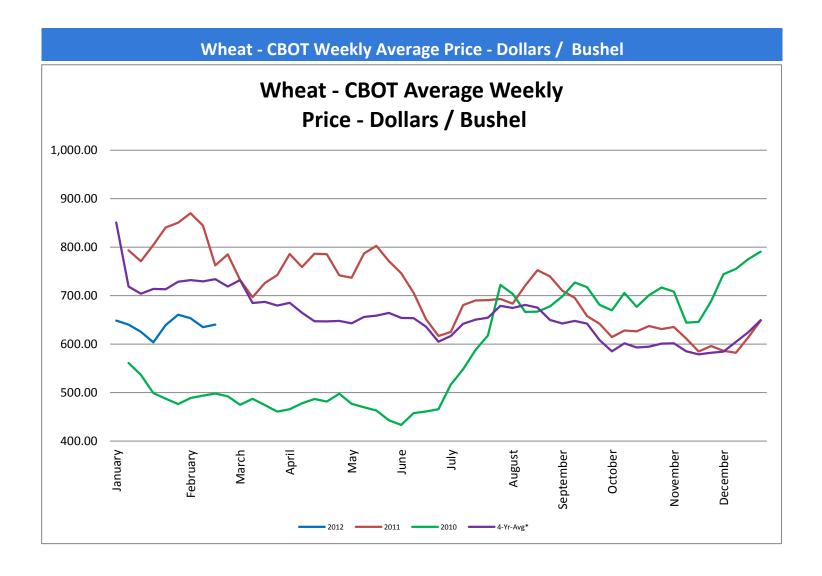


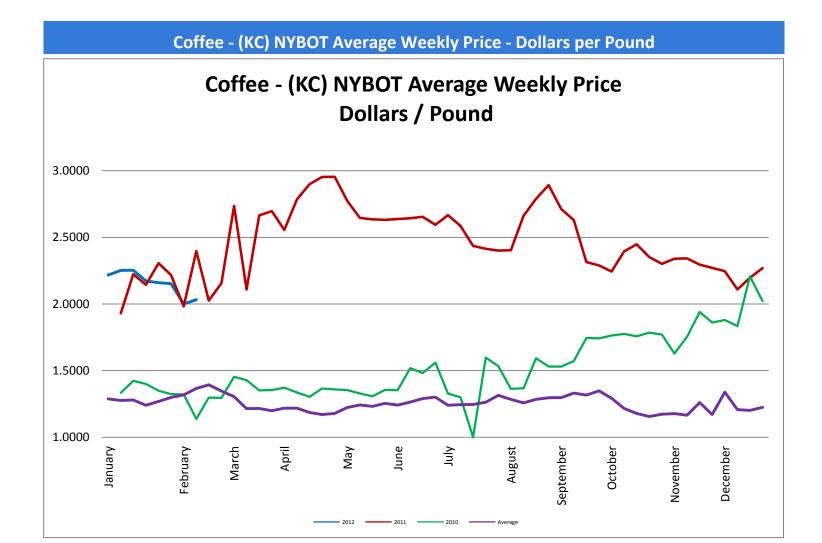




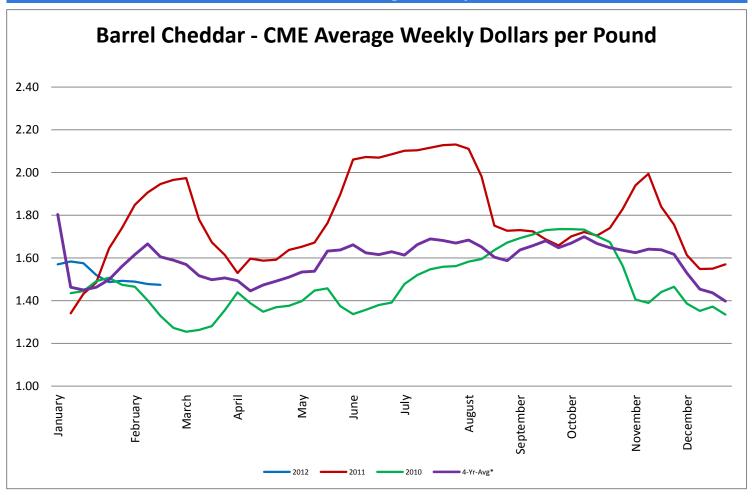




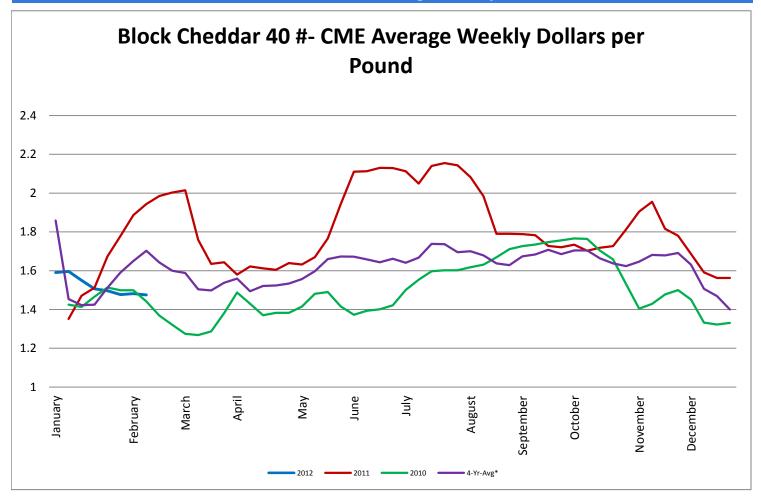


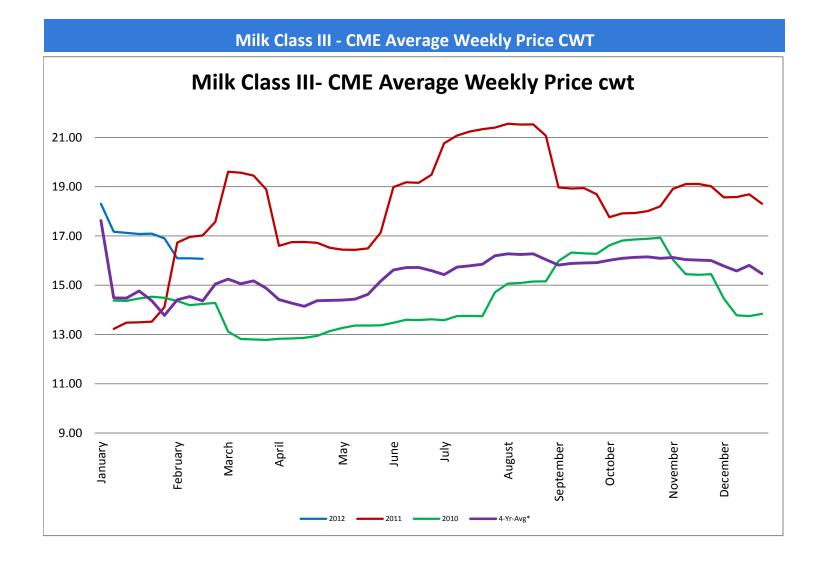


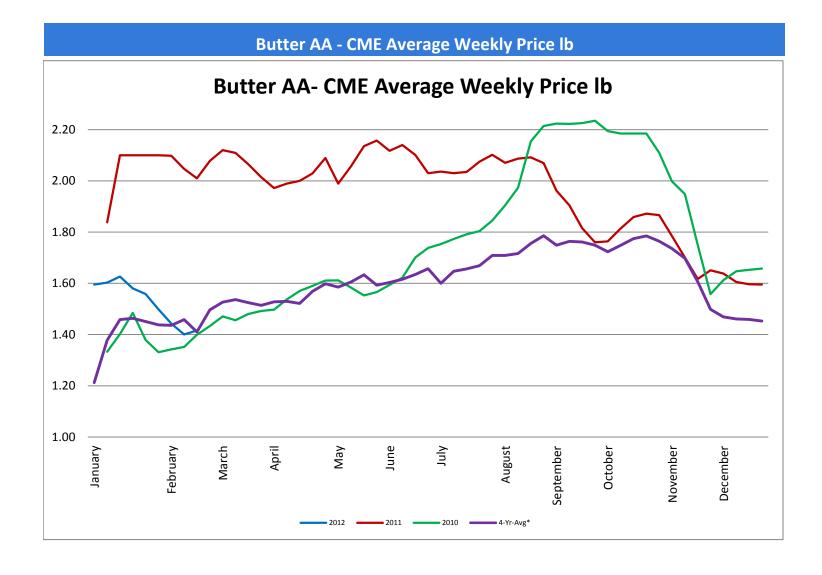




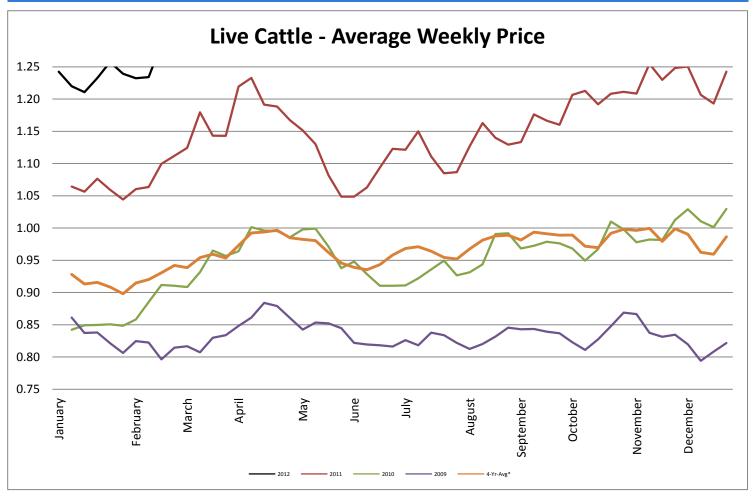
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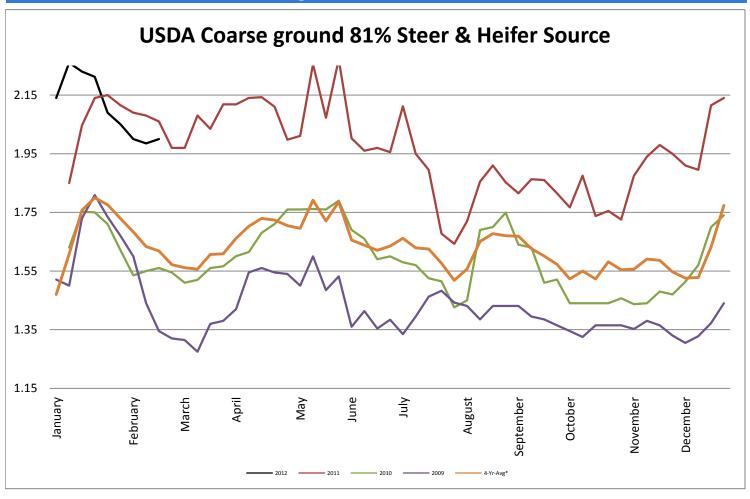


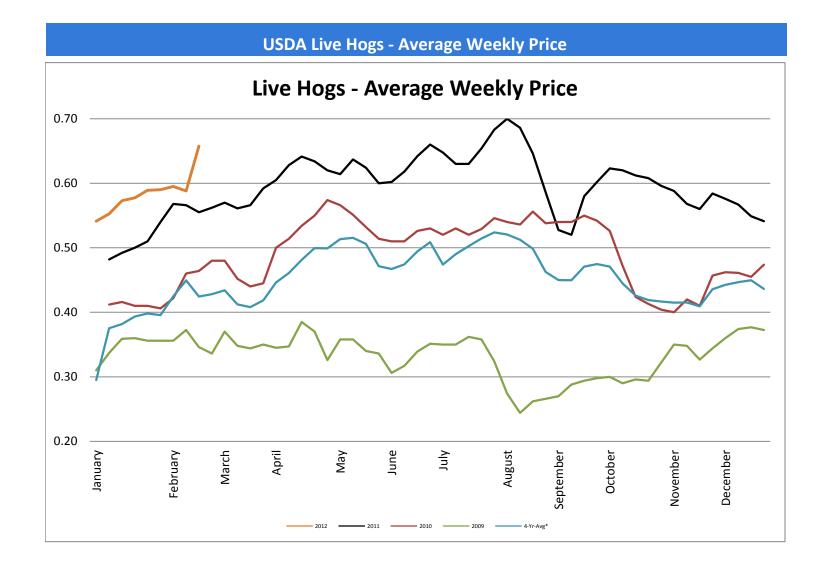


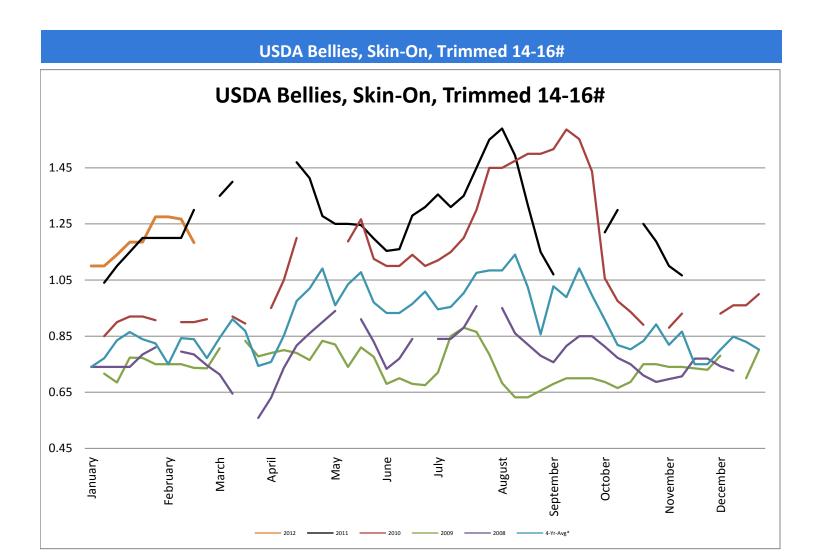




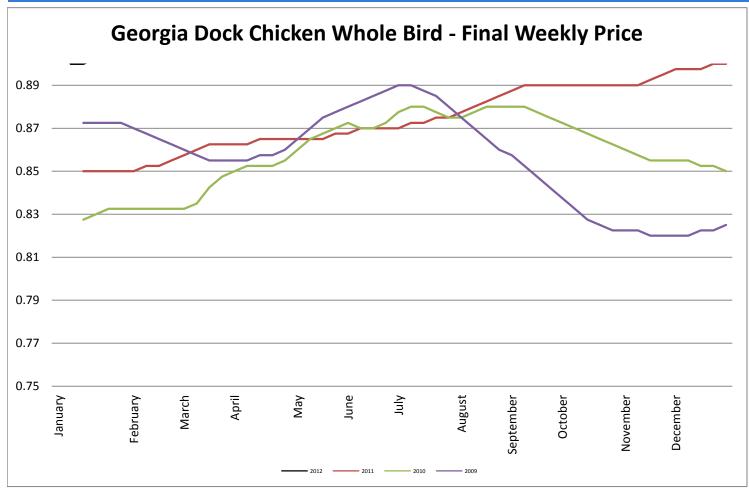




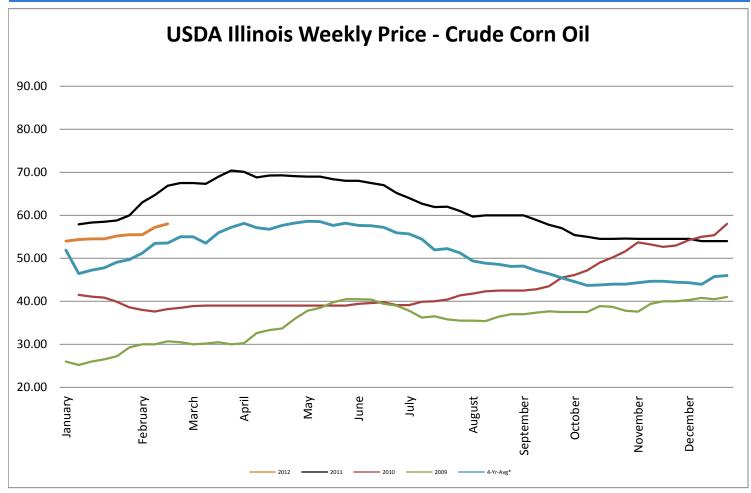




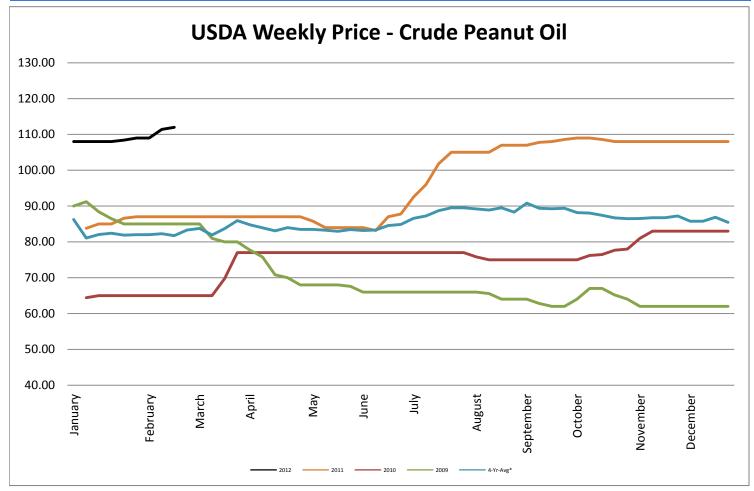




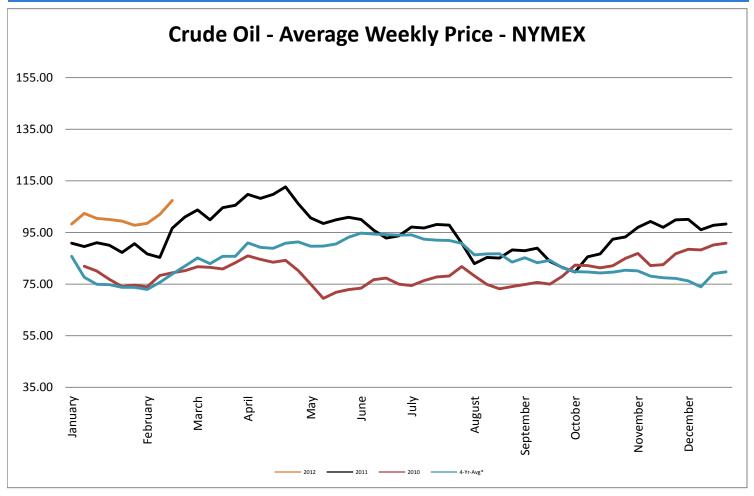


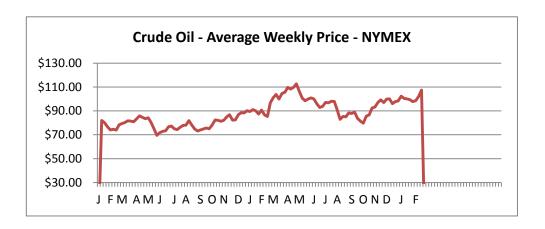




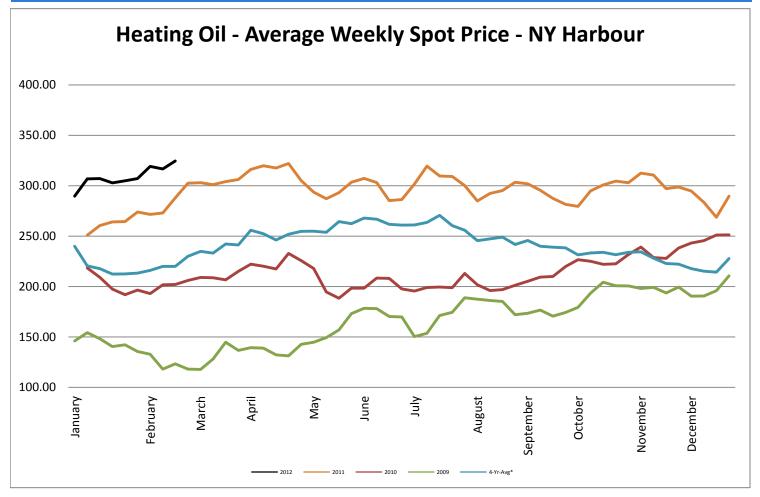




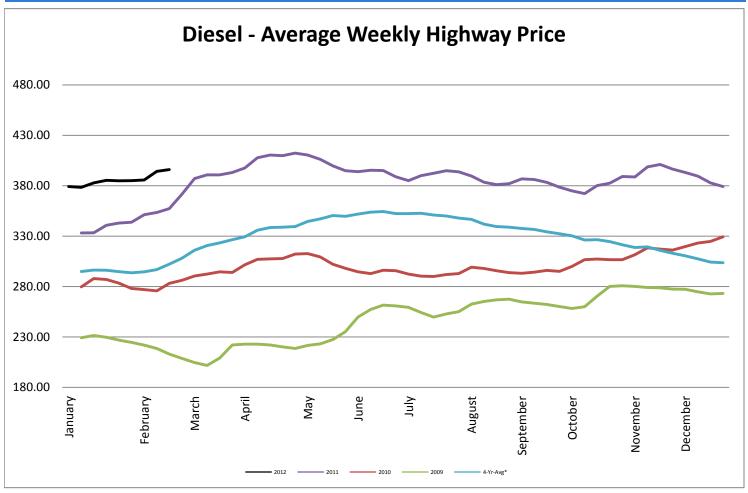




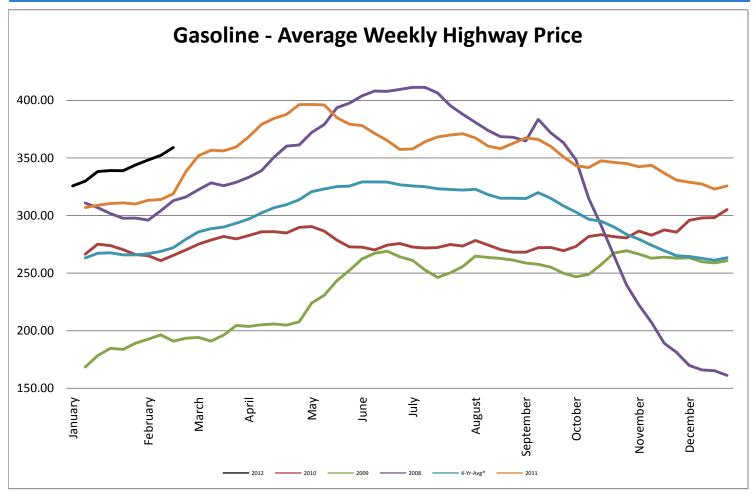












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