

Key Commodity Report Weekly

July 16, 2012

						Com	modity Ac	ivity - Weekly Average	
7/9/2012		This Week	Last Week	YTD Avg	Last Year	vs. Last Week	vs. Last Year	Soybean Oil & Crude Oil Relationship	Corn
CME Group									780
<u>Corn</u>	1	759.75	730.63	637.03	699.45	3.99%	8.62%	\$135.00 - \$0.6800	760
<u>Soybean</u>	1	1631.5	1587.7	1366.3	1374.8	2.76%	18.67%	\$115.00	720
Soy Meal	1	479.72	460.63	381.88	353.00	4.14%	35.90%	\$95.00	700
Soybean Oil	1	0.5382	0.5314	0.5269	0.5692	1.28%	-5.45%	\$75.00	660
Rough Rice	1	15.29	14.77	15.11	16.50	3.52%	-7.37%	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	640
<u>Vheat</u>	1	820.75	787.63	653.15	680.50	4.21%	20.61%	\$55.00	600
Cheddar Barrel	1	1.658	1.675	1.513	2.104	-1.01%	-21.20%	\$35.00 \$0.2800	580
Cheddar Block	1	1.654	1.640	1.544	2.050	0.85%	-19.30%		
Milk Class III	Į.	16.64	16.68	15.98	21.08	-0.25%	-21.06%	Crude Soybean Oil	This WeekLast Week YTD Avg Last
Butter AA	1	1.543	1.529	1.463	2.030	0.93%	-23.99%		
Gource: CME Group		1.5-15	1.525	1.403	2.030	0.5570	23.3370	Crude Oil - Average Weekly Price - NYMEX	Cheddar Block
JSDA Weekly Prices								,	Ciledual Block
<u>_ive Cattle</u>	1	1.179	1.165	1.228	1.150	1.22%	2.54%	\$120.00	2.50
Course Ground Beef	1	1.945	2.010	2.127	1.950	-3.23%	-0.26%	\$110.00	2.00
ive Hog	1	0.6180	0.6200	0.5791	0.6300	-0.32%	-1.90%	\$100.00	
Pork Bellies	1	1.42	1.35	1.11	1.31	4.94%	8.15%	\$90.00	1.50
Chicken Whole (GA Dock)	0	0.9475	0.9475	0.9276	0.8725	0.00%	8.60%	\$80.00	1.00
Crude Corn Oil	1	54.10	53.50	57.06	62.70	1.12%	-13.72%	\$70.00	0.50
Crude Peanut Oil	0	126.00	126.00	116.35	96.00	0.00%	31.25%	\$60.00	0.00
Source: USDA								\$50.00	
NYMEX Futures & Retail	†							\$40.00	This Last YTD Avg Last
Crude Oil	T	85.78	85.77	97.39	96.71	0.01%	-11.31%	\$30.00 IFM A M J J A S O N D J FM A M J J A S O N D J FM A M J J	Week Week
Heating Oil No.2 Spot	T	273.30	272.50	307.00	319.46	0.29%	-14.45%		
On Highway Diesel	1	368.30	364.80	393.53	389.90	0.96%	-5.54%	Paul's U.S. Currency Index	Coffee
On Highway Gasoline	T	341.10	335.60	362.84	364.10	1.64%	-6.32%	raui s 0.3. currency muex	Collee
latural Gas ource: New York Mercantile Exchange	•	2.844	2.861	2.461	4.390	-0.59%	-35.22%	1.98	3.00
ederal Reserve	_			<u></u>				1.97	2.50
Euro	1	1.2245	1.2468	1.2824	1.4073	-1.79%	-12.99%	1.96	2.00
British Pound	1	1.5504	1.5598	1.5520	1.5991	-0.60%	-3.05%	1.95	1.50
Canadian Dollar	1	1.0199	1.0155	1.0072	0.9628	0.43%	5.93%	1.94	1.00
Chinese Yuan	1	6.374	6.356		6.466	0.28%	-1.42%	1.92	0.50
Swiss Frank	1	0.981	0.963	0.933	0.827	1.77%	18.60%	1.91	0.00
iource: Federal Reserve Bank of New Yo	ork							1.9	
NYBOT Futures								1.89	This Last YTD Avg Last
		28.83	28.28	36.41	36.59	1.94%	-21.22%	1.88	Week Week
Sugar 16	- 1	20.03	20.20	501.12	50.55			1.00	

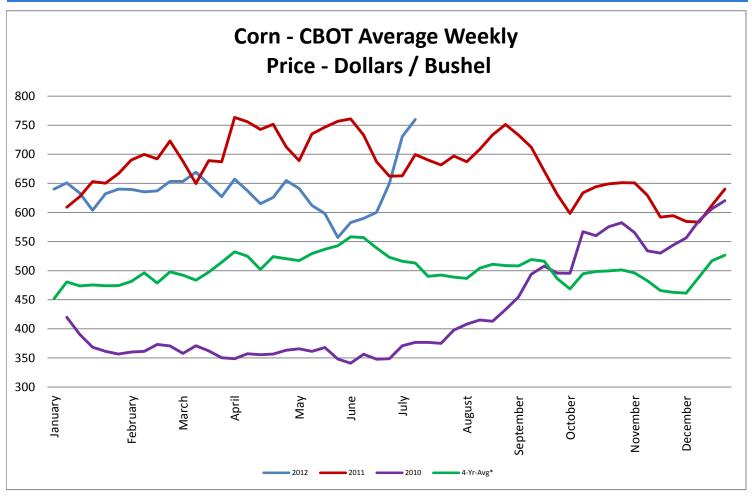
Market Commentary

Commentary: It is quite common to see speculators and other traders liquidate positions prior to a USDA report, especially when they lose faith in the reporting. Last week traders started to sell off some contracts before the USDA reports were released regarding the crop conditions and world supply and demand. They did indeed reduce the crop scores, which are not good. The good to excellent ratings went down another 8% for corn and 5% for beans. They also reduced the export numbers which of course reduces demand. The reality is that demand globally is very strong and real export numbers last week illustrate this. China knows that the U.S. is the only store right now for soybeans. Expect exports to continue to be strong. The numbers are weaker than last year for sure, as Europe is buying less. The reality is the USDA is playing with the numbers. Overall, this market will be decided by weather, and the weather continues to be terrible for this year's crop. The forecasts are not good either. We are getting to a point, for corn, where it is too late. Indiana has supposedly put a moratorium on irrigating due to the drought. That is bad news for farmers, and bad news for their crops. We need some rain. Prices are going up.

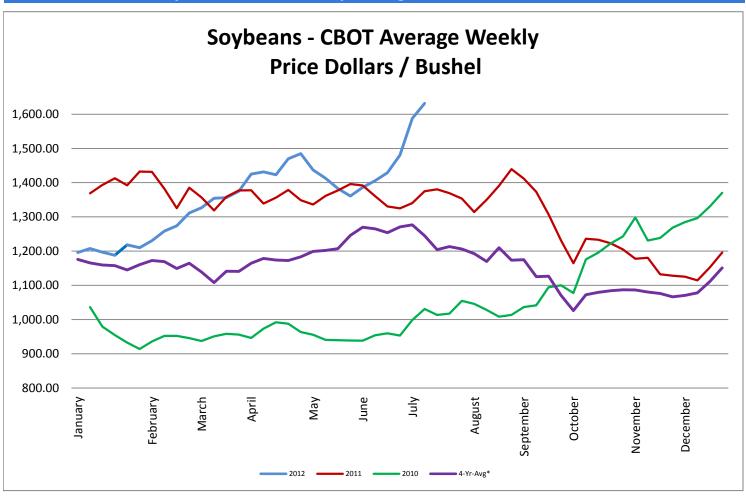
Corn futures closed between \$7.40-1/2 and \$7.75-1/4 per bushel, ending the week at \$7.40-1/2. Soybean futures closed between \$15.94-3/4 and \$16.65 per bushel, ending the week at \$15.94-3/4. Soybean meal futures closed between \$474.10 and \$485.50 per short ton, ending the week at \$474.10. Soybean oil futures closed between \$0.5315 and \$0.5443 per pound, ending the week at \$0.5370. Wheat futures closed between \$0.4-3/4 and \$0.5443 per bushel, ending the week at \$0.5370.

^{*} Used as the indexing unit of measure for this exchange rate

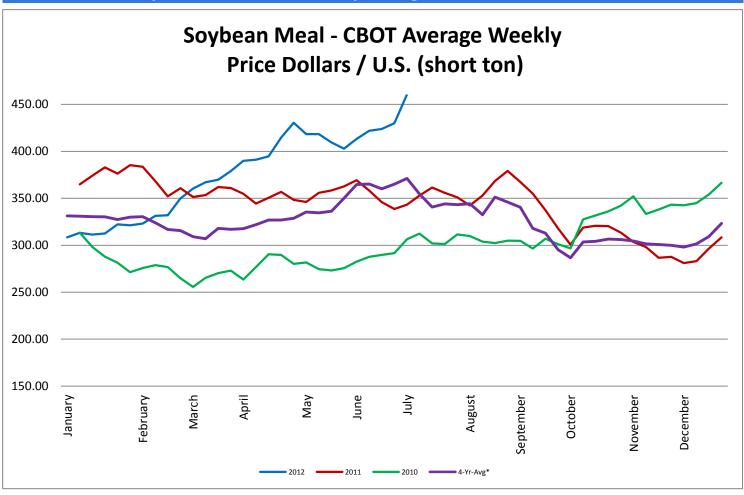




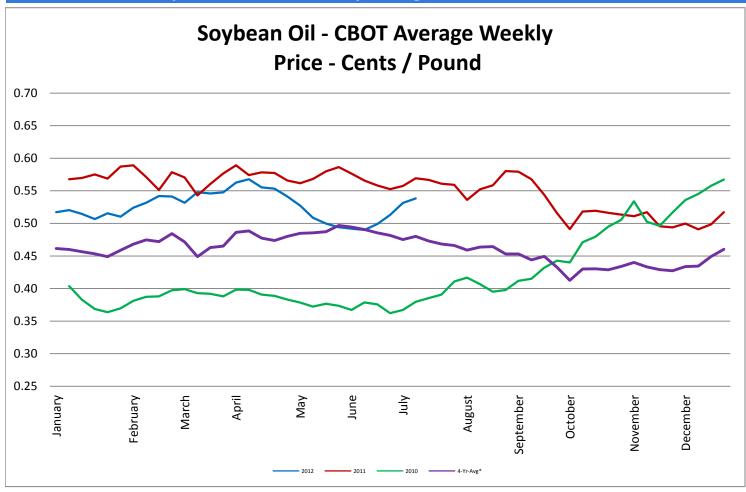
Soybeans - CBOT Weekly Average Price - Dollars / Bushel

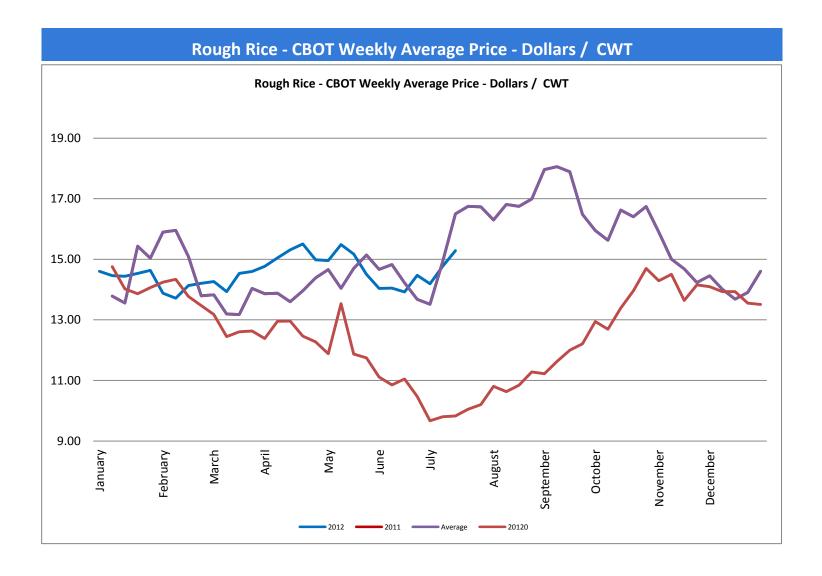


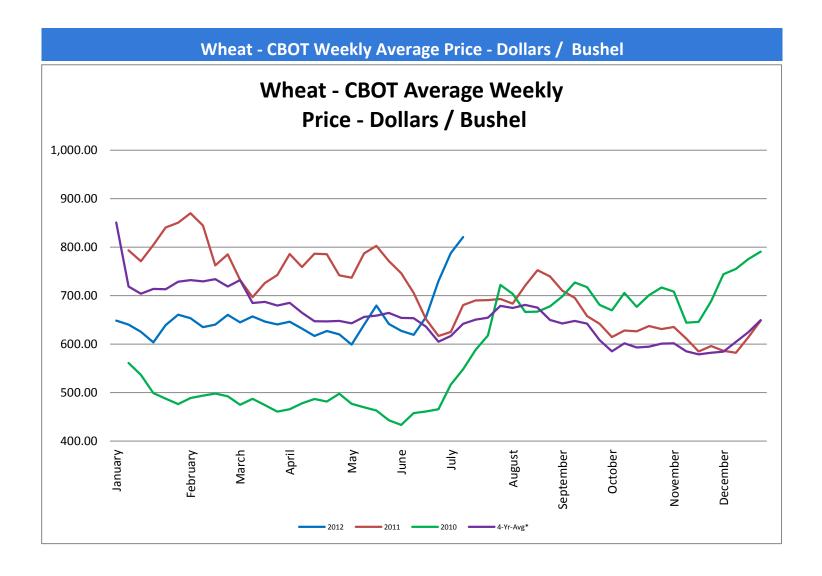


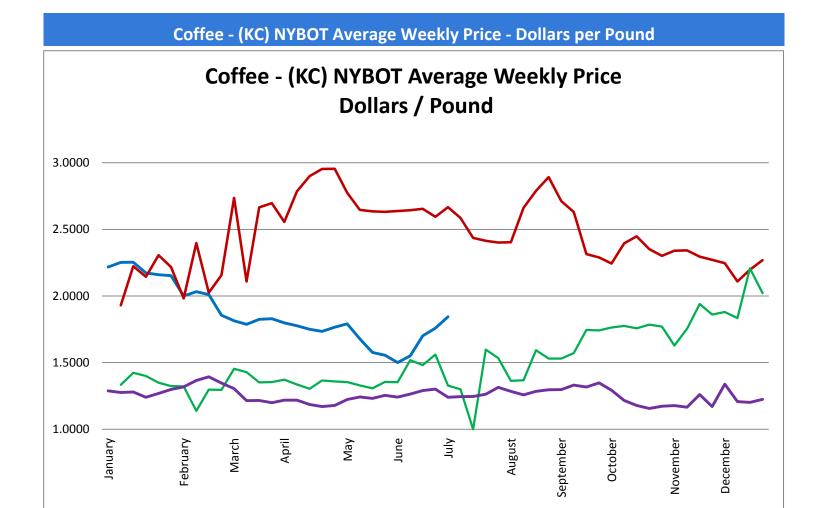




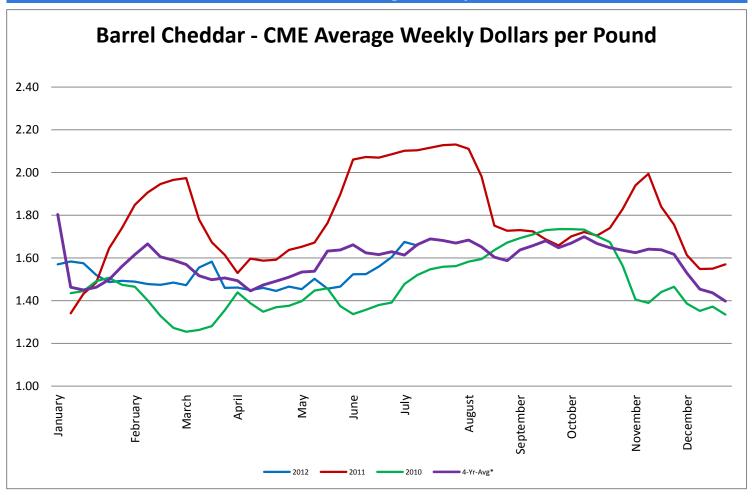




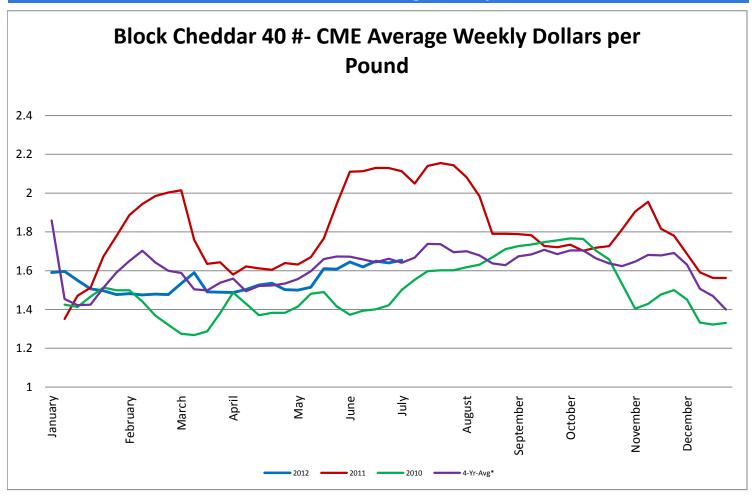


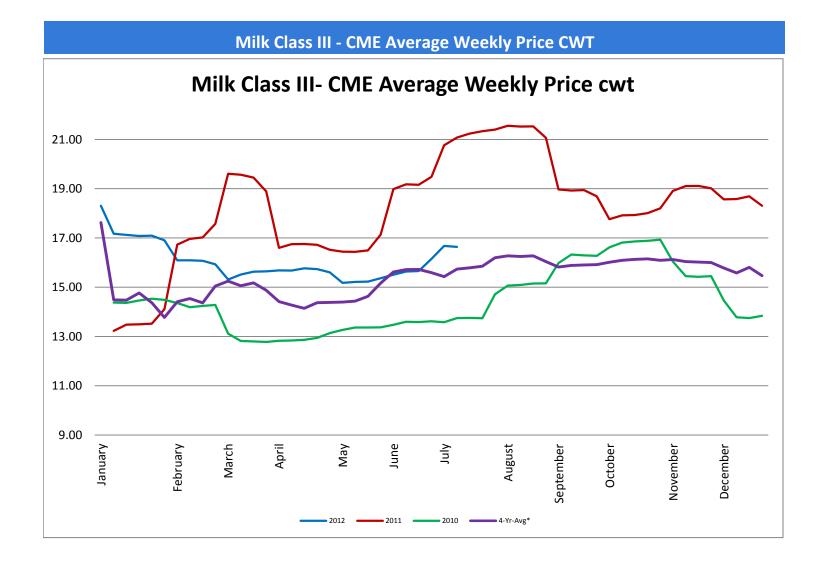


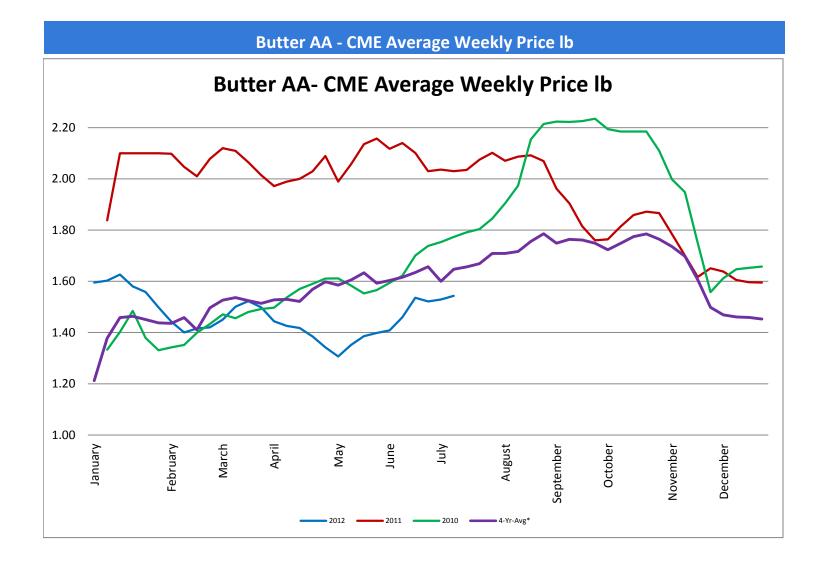




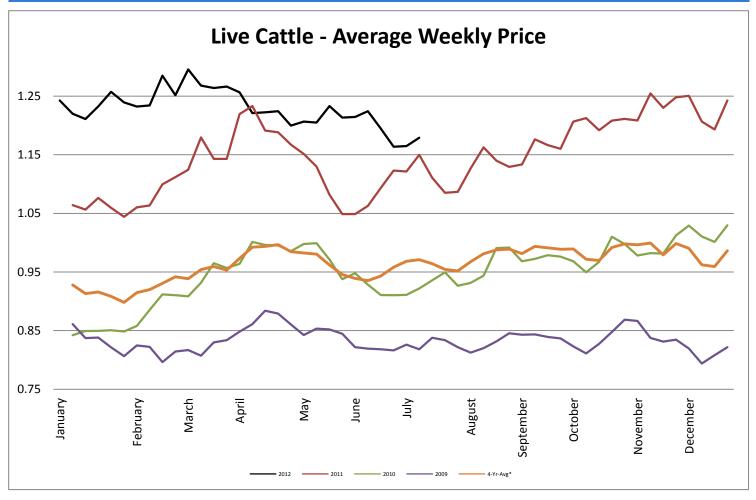
40 LB Block Cheddar - CME Average Weekly Price / Pound



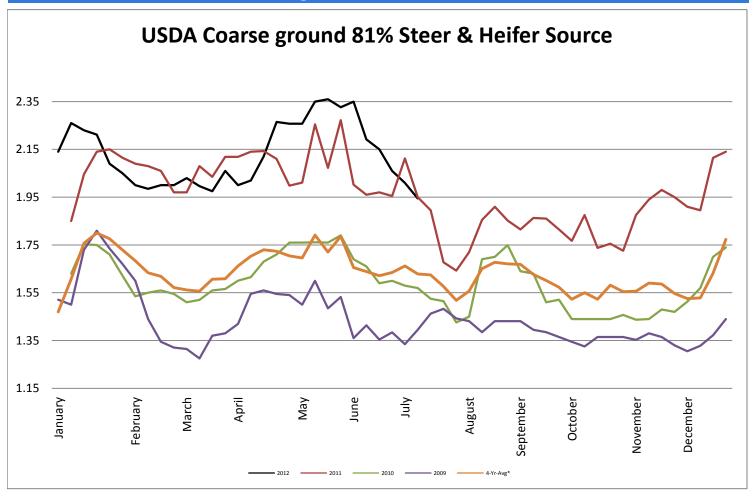


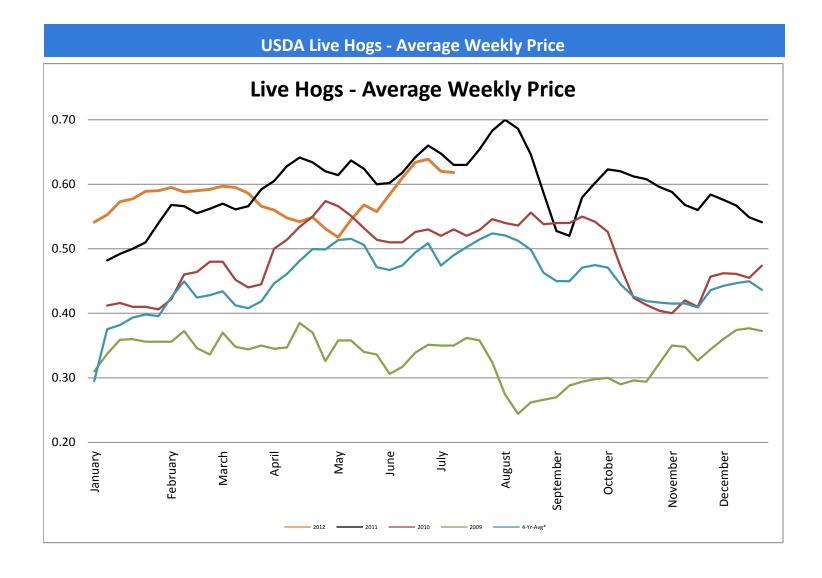


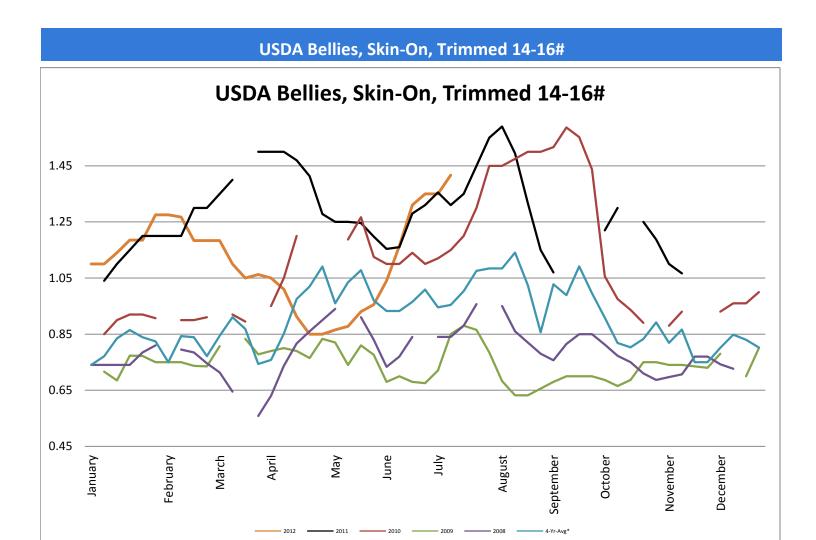




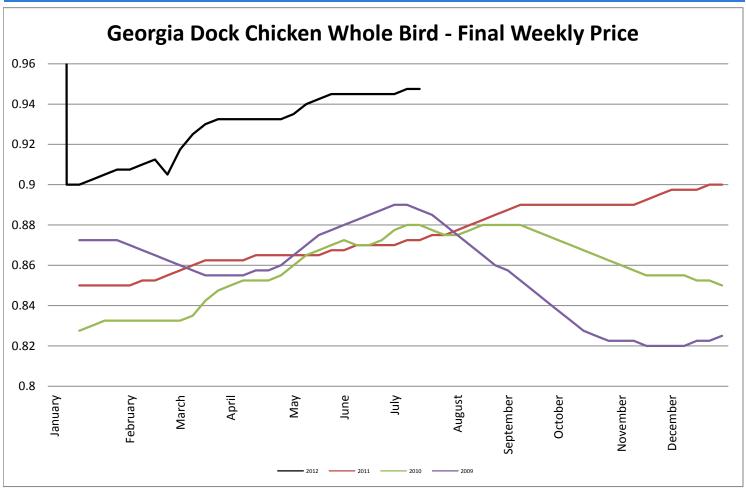




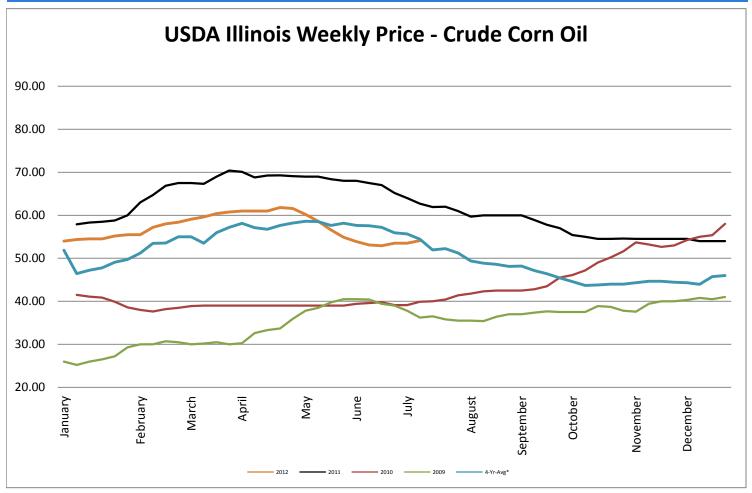


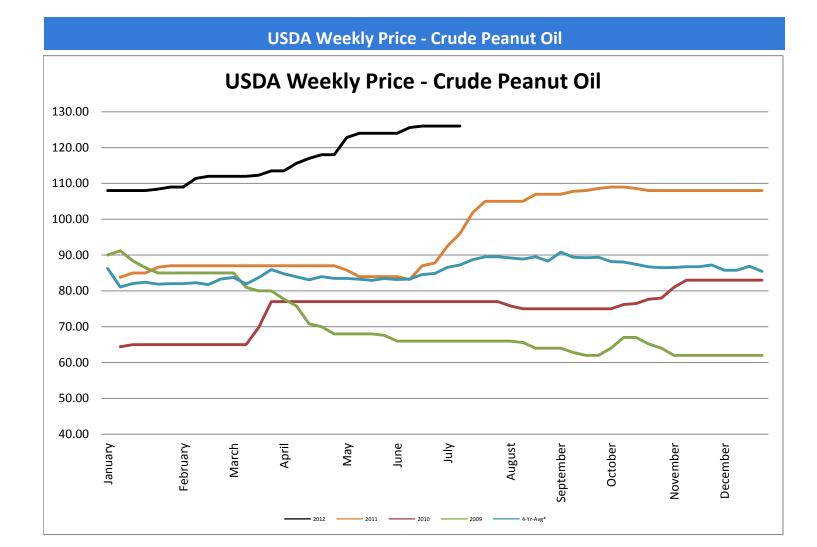




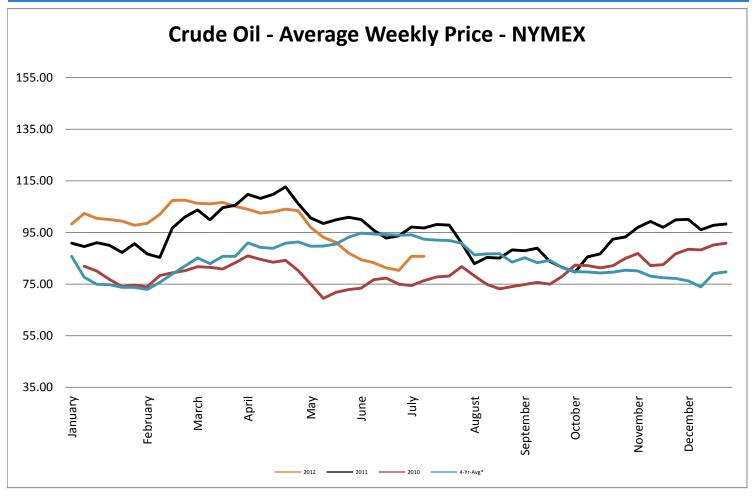


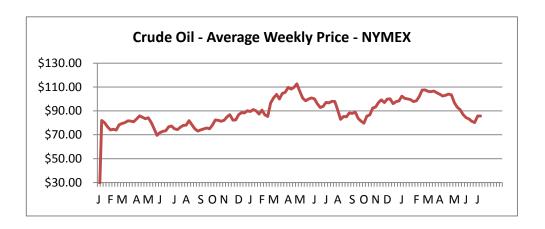




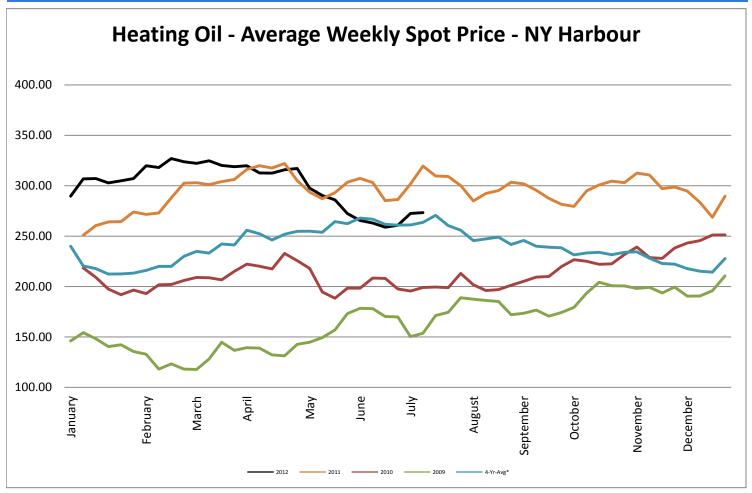




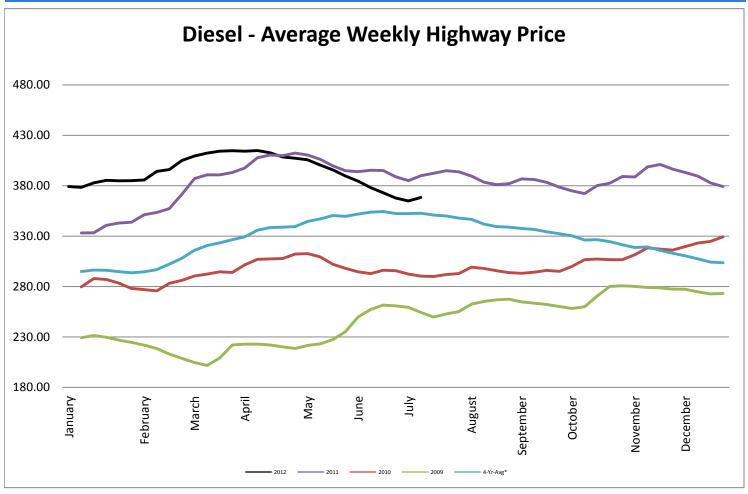




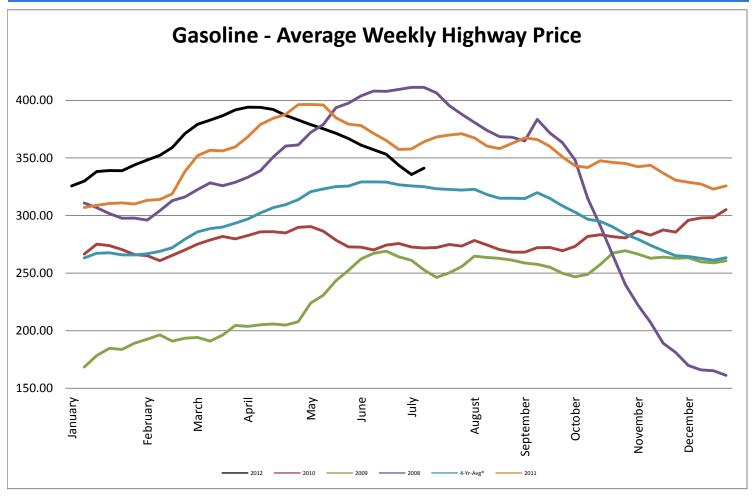












Natural Gas Futures - New York Mercantile Exchange

