

### **Key Commodity Report Weekly**

July 23, 2012

						Com	modity Ac	ity - Weekly Average	
7/16/2012		This Week	Last Week	YTD Avg	Last Year	vs. Last Week	vs. Last Year	Soybean Oil & Crude Oil Relationship	Corn
CME Group Corn	<u> </u>	796.70	759.75	642.54	690.30	4.86%	15.41%	135.00	900
Soybean		1689.5	1631.5	1377.5	1380.7	3.56%	22.37%	\$0.6800	700
<del></del>		514.06	479.72	386.44			42.24%	\$0.5800	600
Soy Meal					361.40	7.16%		\$95.00	500
Soybean Oil	T	0.5431	0.5382	0.5274	0.5667	0.91%	-4.16%	\$75.00	400
Rough Rice	T	15.54	15.29	15.11	16.75	1.64%	-7.24%	\$55.00 \$0.3800	300
<u>Wheat</u>	Т	910.20	820.75	662.01	689.90	10.90%	31.93%	\$0,2800	100
Cheddar Barrel	1	1.703	1.658	1.519	2.117	2.68%	-19.56%	\$35.00 SAMAN I A SON DIFMAM I I A SON DI	0
Cheddar Block	1	1.716	1.654	1.550	2.140	3.75%	-19.81%	Crude Soybean Oil	This WeekLast Week YTD Avg Last
Milk Class III	1	16.70	16.64	16.00	21.24	0.37%	-21.37%		
Butter AA	1	1.578	1.543	1.467	2.035	2.27%	-22.46%		
ource: CME Group JSDA Weekly Prices								Crude Oil - Average Weekly Price - NYMEX	Cheddar Block
ive Cattle	T	1.148	1.179	1,225	1.111	-2.62%	3.36%	120.00	2.50
Course Ground Beef		1.146	1.179		1.111	-2.62%	2.52%	110.00	
		0.5740	0.6180	2.120 0.5789	0.6300	-7.12%	-8.89%	100.00	2.00
<u>.ive Hog</u> Pork Bellies			1.42	1.12	1.35	-1.18%	3.70%	\$90.00	1.50
Chicken Whole (GA Dock)	•	1.40 0.9475	0.9475	0.9283	0.8750	0.00%	8.29%	\$80.00	1.00
Crude Corn Oil	•	56.10	54.10	57.03	61.90	3.70%	-9.37%	\$70.00	
Crude Corn Oil Crude Peanut Oil		126.00	126.00	116.67	101.80	0.00%	-9.37% 23.77%	\$60.00	0.50
iource: USDA	Ŭ	120.00	120.00	110.07	101.60	0.0076	23.77%	\$50.00	0.00
IYMEX Futures & Retail								\$40.00	This Last YTD Avg Last
Crude Oil	1	90.32	85.78	97.15	98.11	5.30%	-7.94%	\$30.00 LEMAN LIA SOND LEMAN LIA SOND LEMAN LIA	Week Week
Heating Oil No.2 Spot	1	283.40	273.30	307.00	309.68	3.70%	-8.49%	JEMAMI JA SON DIEMAM JIA SONDIEMAMIJ	
On Highway Diesel	1	369.50	368.30	392.73	392.30	0.33%	-5.81%		
On Highway Gasoline	1	342.70	341.10	362.17	368.20	0.47%	-6.93%	Paul's U.S. Currency Index	Coffee
Natural Gas	1	2.930	2.844	2.477	4.475	3.02%	-34.53%	.98 -	3.00
ource: New York Mercantile Exchange								.97	2.50
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Euro	1	1.224	1.2245	1.2804	1.4227	-0.04%	-13.97%	.95	
British Pound	Ť	1.5645	1.5504	1.5520	1.6172	0.91%	-3.26%	.94	1.50
Canadian Dollar	•	1.0124	1.0199	1.0074	0.9508	-0.74%	6.48%	.93	1.00
Chinese Yuan	0	6.374	6.374	6.318	6.458	0.00%	-1.30%	.92	0.50
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ource: Federal Reserve Bank of New Y  IYBOT Futures	тогк							.89	This Last YTD Avg Last
Sugar 16	1	29.40	28.83	36.41	38.76	1.98%	-24.14%	.88	Week Week
Coffee	- 1	1.8695	1.8445		2.4355	1.36%	-23.24%		

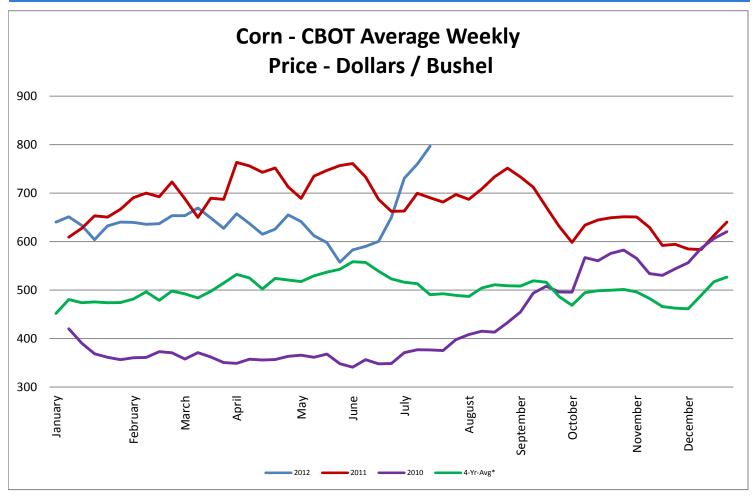
#### **Market Commentary**

Commentary: All-time highs! Both corn and soybeans reached all-time highs last week, and ended the week there. Meal and wheat were very close. Soybean oil, thankfully, has a way to go before it goes beyond its highest level. So, the very hot and dry weather continues in the growing region, adding up to what may be the worst growing season since the 1950's. While soybean oil prices are high, futures are being held down by supply. Crushers are crushing for soybean meal, so there are good stocks of soybean oil. Ultimately, though, soybean oil will start to climb to stay in step with other AG commodities and is still tied to Crude oil, which is why, there was some upward movement last week. There are some signs that funds are trying to jump start soybean oil in an effort to move futures much higher, though they have not been able to accomplish this. Wheat is not in good shape either. Most don't know that there was actually flooding in North Dakota and Northern Minnesota, where wheat is largely grown. South Dakota, Southern Minnesota, Indiana, Ohio, Nebraska, Iowa, and Illinois are all in drought. So spring wheat has really taken a hit along with corn and beans. So wheat prices are reacting. Europe is at it again, or have moved back into the spotlight. Spain is looking for a full bailout and Greece close to leaving the Union. The U.S. dollar is a bit higher.

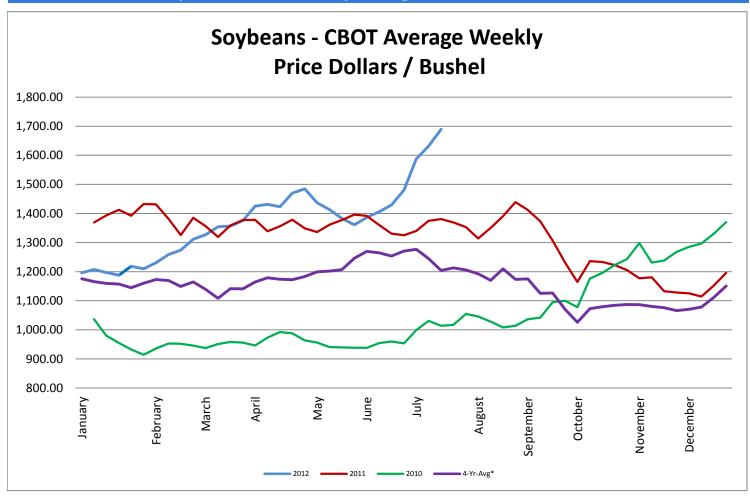
Corn futures closed between 5.76-3/4 and 8.24-1/2 per bushel, ending the week at 8.24-1/2. Soybean futures closed between 16.33-3/4 and 17.57-1/2 per bushel, ending the week at 17.57-1/2. Soybean meal futures closed between 487.30 and 543.00 per short ton, ending the week at 543.00. Soybean oil futures closed between 0.5401 and 0.5465 per pound, ending the week at 0.5436. Wheat futures closed between 0.5401 and 0.5465 per bushel, ending the week at 0.5436.

Used as the indexing unit of measure for this exchange rate

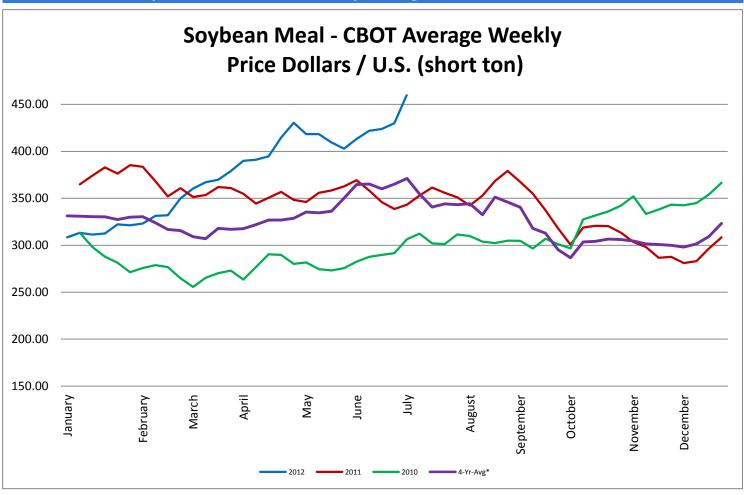




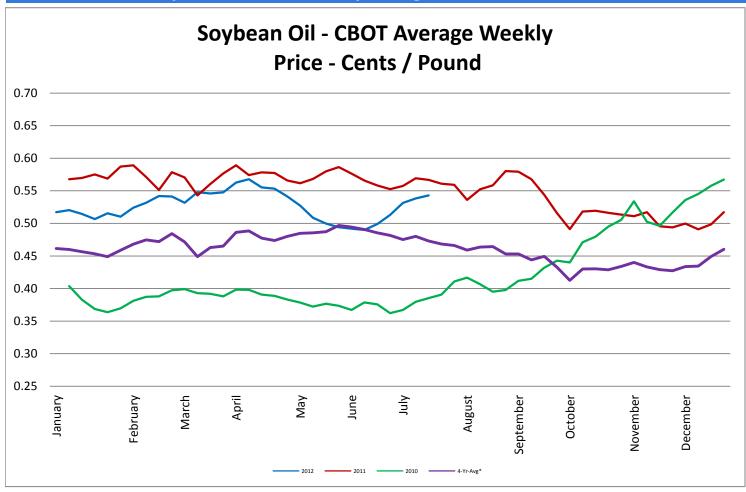
# Soybeans - CBOT Weekly Average Price - Dollars / Bushel

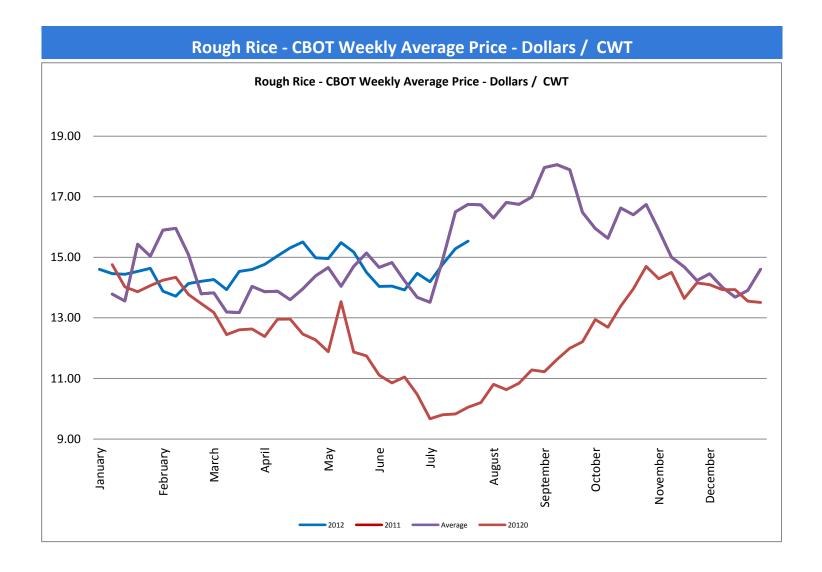


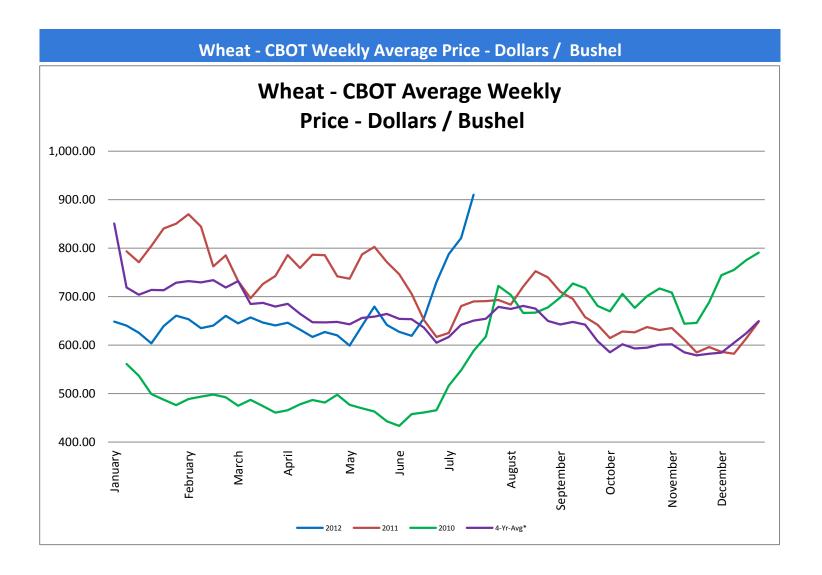


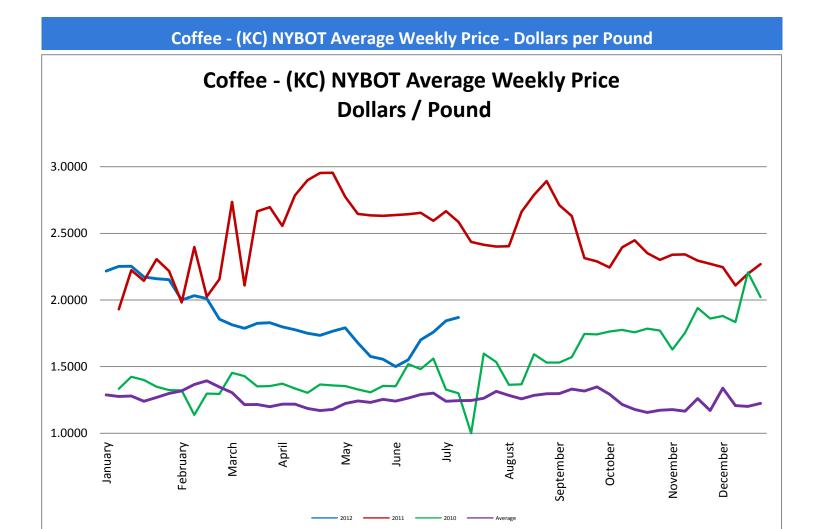




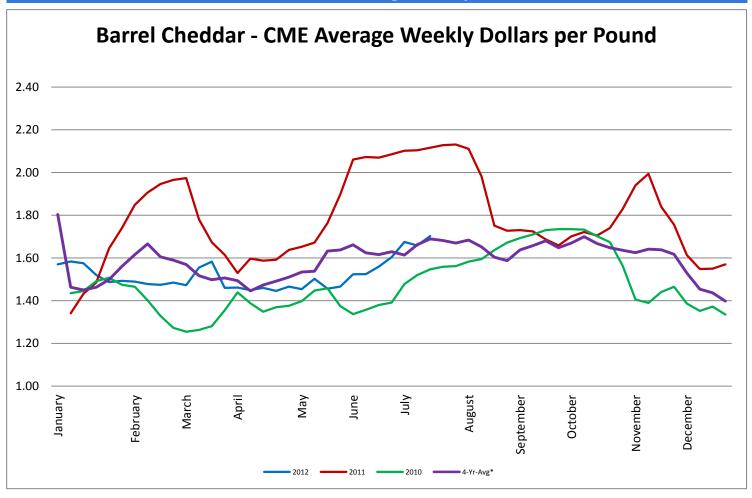




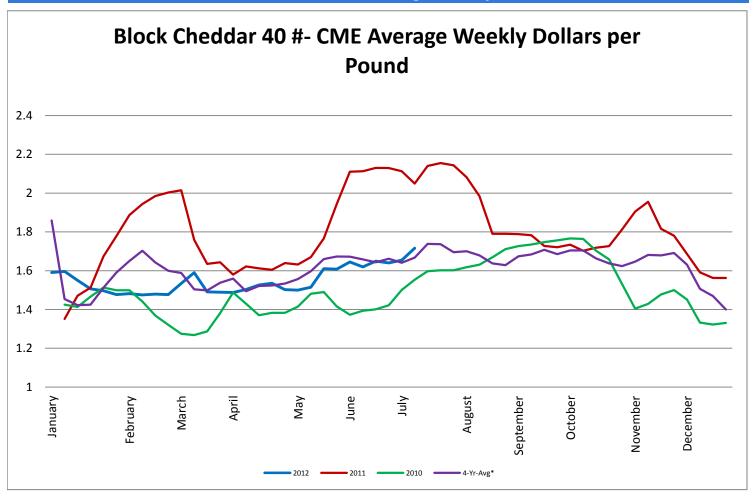


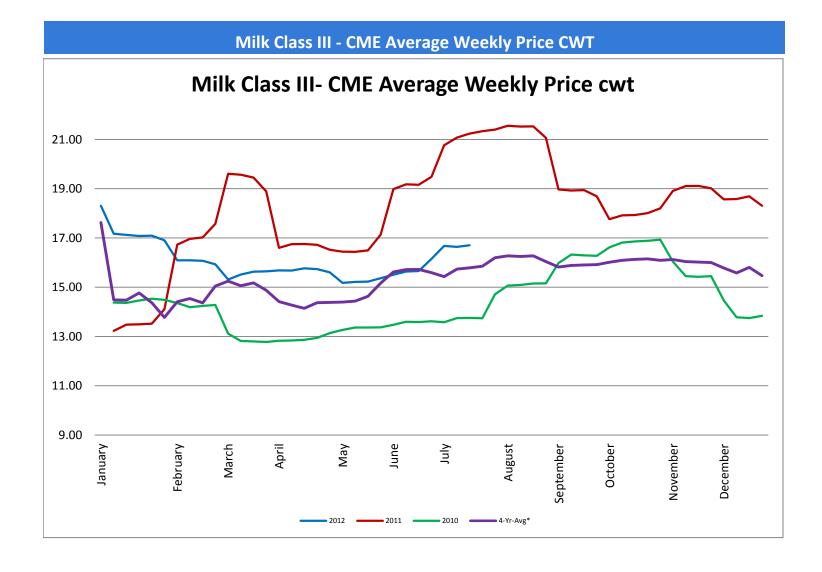


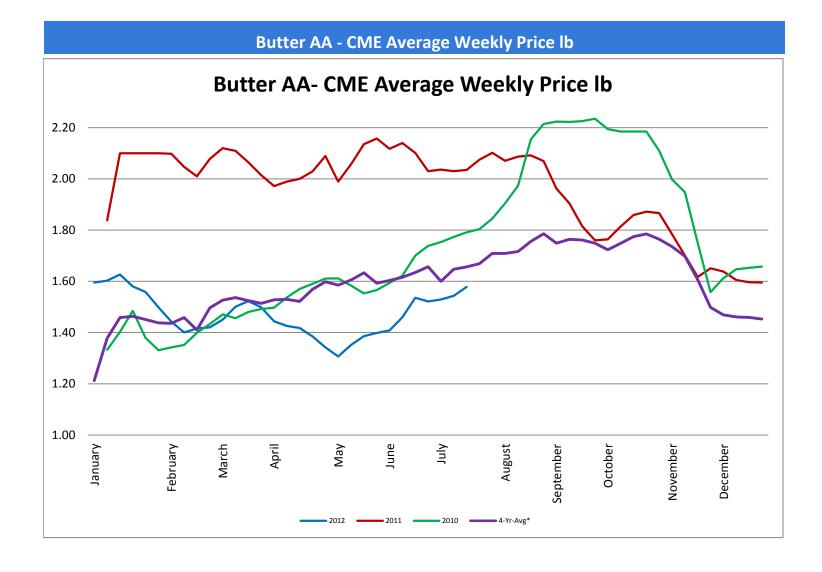




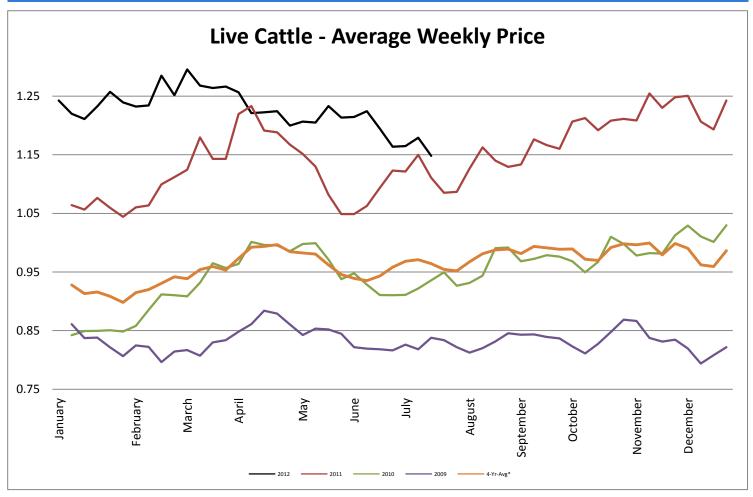
# 40 LB Block Cheddar - CME Average Weekly Price / Pound



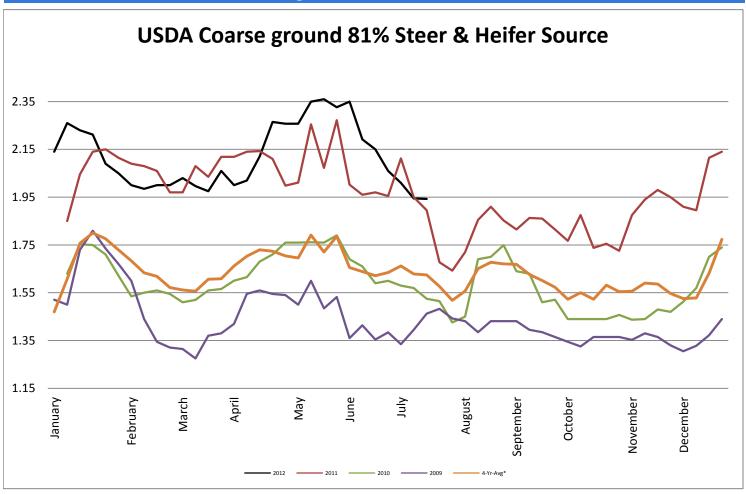


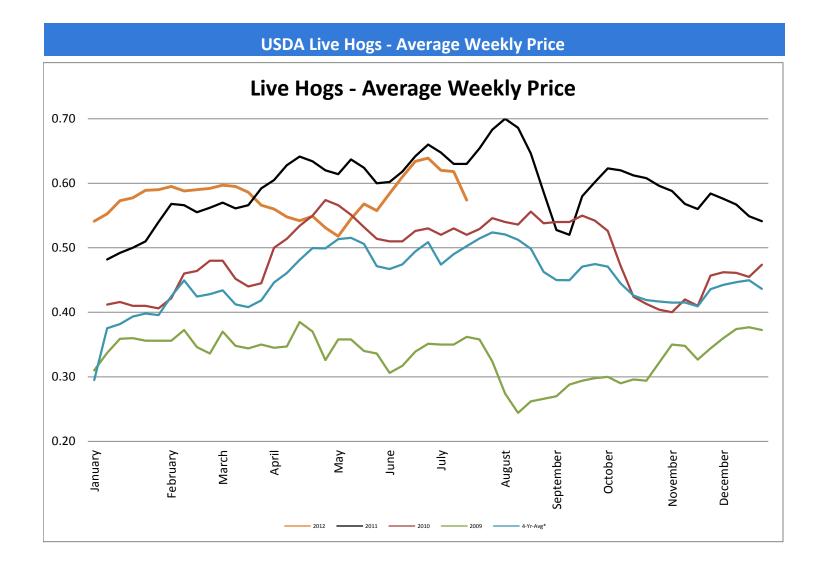


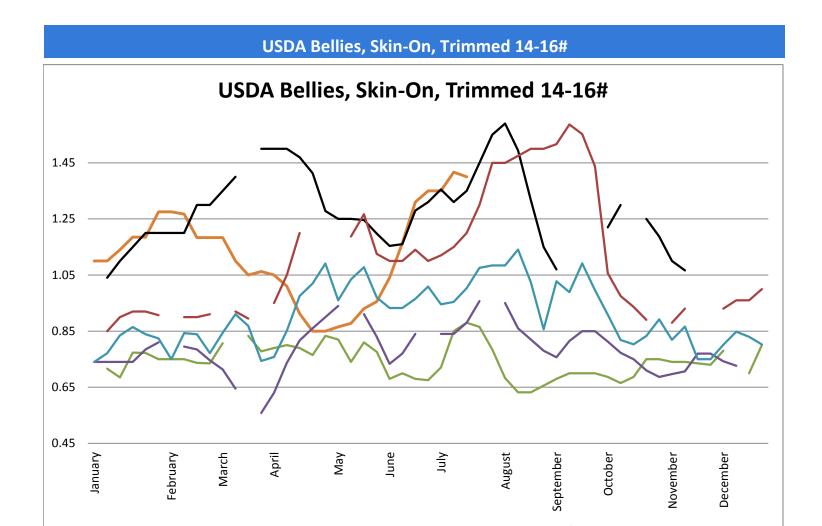




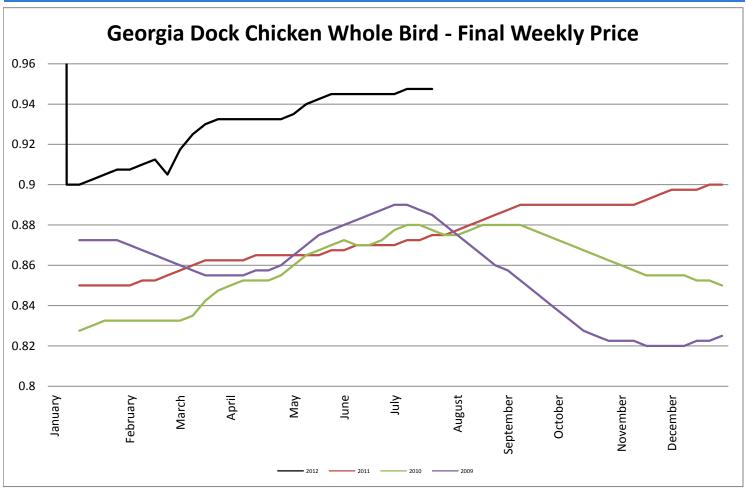




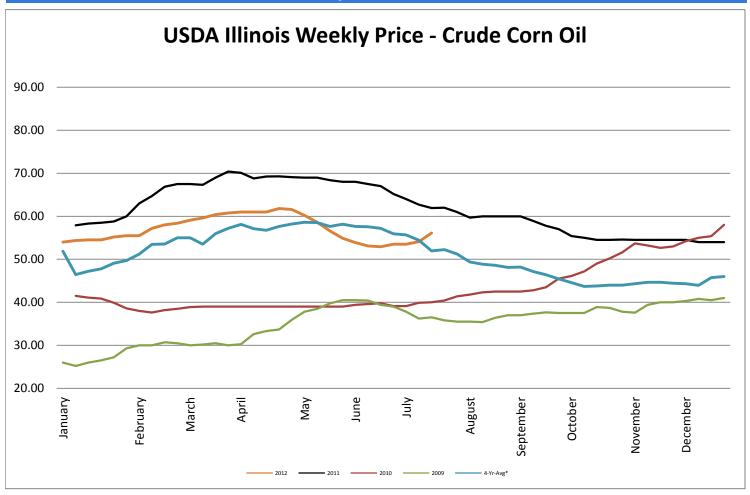


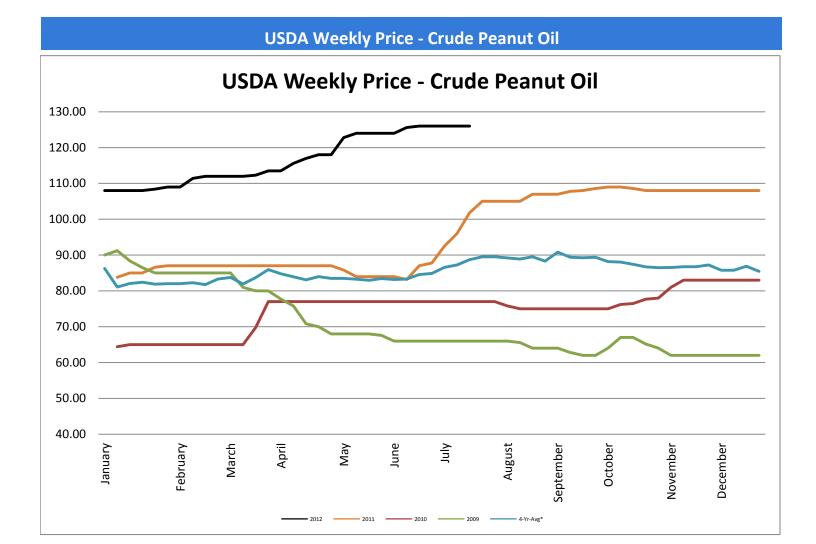




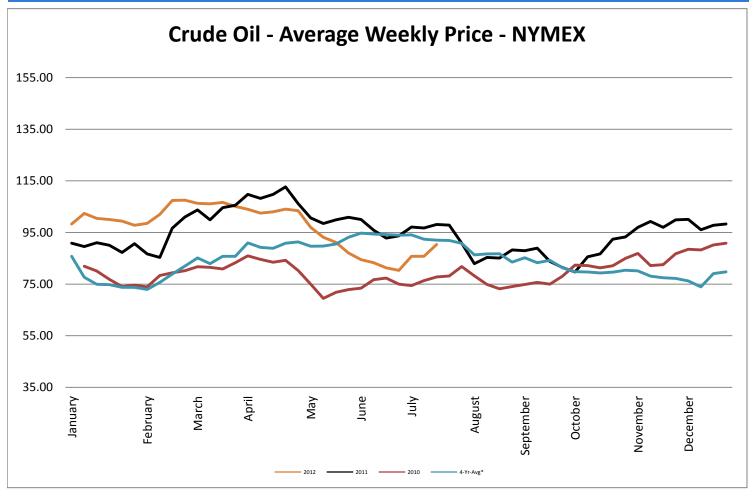


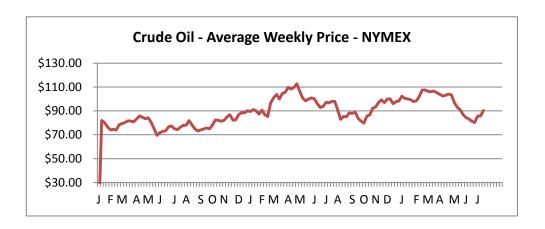




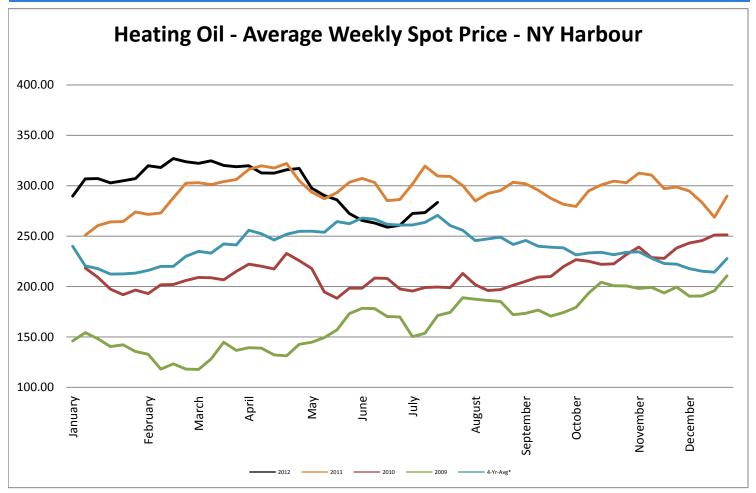




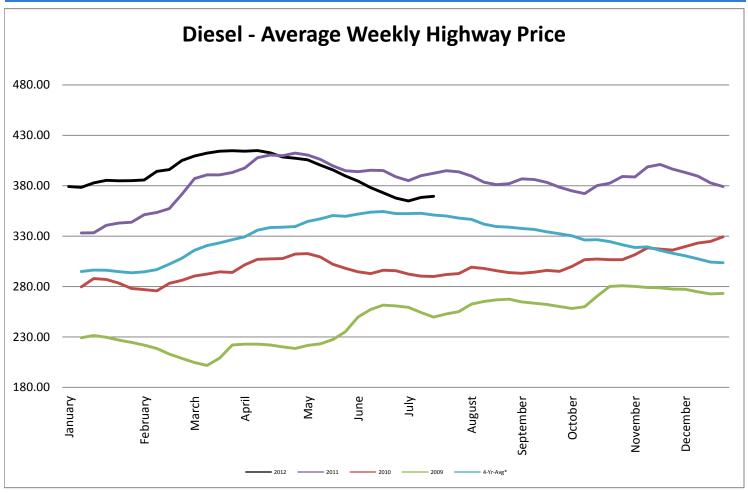




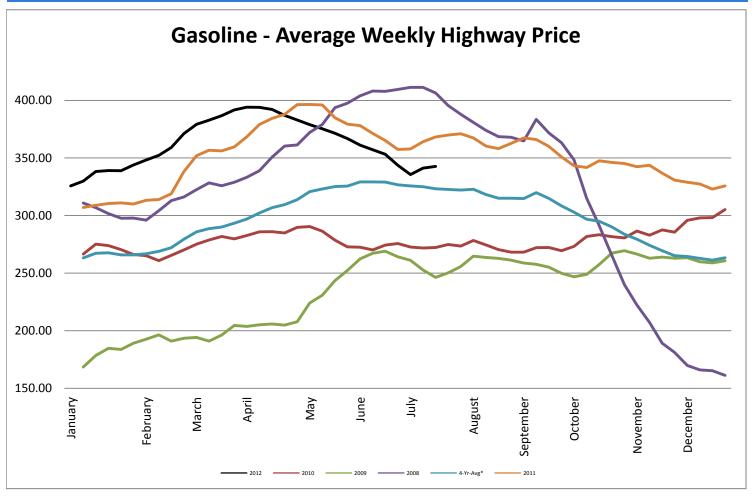












# Natural Gas Futures - New York Mercantile Exchange

