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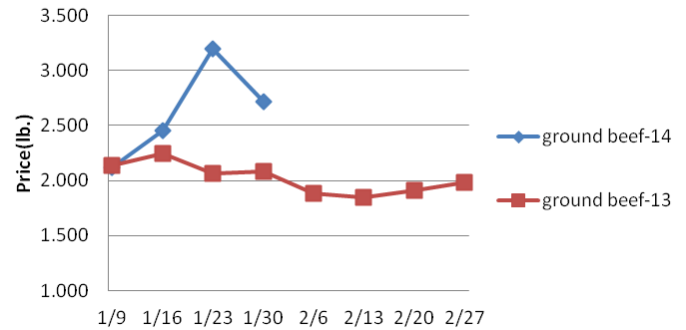


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Beef- Beef production last week rose .4% but was 4.4% less than the same week a year ago. Beef output is expected to trend below 2013 levels in the coming months last affirmed by last week's USDA cattle on feed report. According to the USDA, the January 1 cattle on feed inventory was 5.4% less than the prior year and the smallest for the date since 1997. The USDA is forecasting beef output this winter to track 5.5% below last year. The beef end cut markets continue to trade near record high levels. Retailers are reported to be rethinking beef feature plans for the coming months which could lead to lower beef prices shortly. Last February, the choice 168 inside round market fell 8.5%. Price USDA, FOB per pound. .

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Live Cattle	1.473	1.437	+.036	1.258
Feeder Cattle Index (CME)	1.713	1.705	+.008	1.451
Ground Beef 81/19	2.716	3.200	-.484	2.081
Ground Chuck	2.828	3.116	-.288	2.154
109e Export Rib (choice)	5.280	5.377	-.097	5.427
109e Export Rib (prime)	9.244	9.641	-.397	9.060
112a Ribeye (choice)	5.918	5.850	+.068	5.963
112a Ribeye (prime)	10.015	10.383	-.368	9.742
116 Chuck (select)	3.317	3.747	-.430	2.281
116 Chuck (choice)	3.558	3.748	-.190	2.363
116b Chuck Tdnr (choice)	2.971	2.735	+.236	2.283
120 Brisket (choice)	2.350	2.335	+.015	1.971
121c Outside Skirt (ch/sel)	4.488	4.655	-.167	4.546
121d Inside Skirt (ch/sel)	3.583	3.606	-.023	3.498
167a Knuckle, Trm. (ch.)	3.258	3.385	-.127	2.241
168 Inside Round (ch.)	2.747	2.667	+.080	1.899
174 Short Loin (ch. 0x1)	4.753	4.652	+.101	4.932
174 Short Loin (prime)	8.009	8.153	-.144	7.397
180 1x1 Strp (choice)	4.572	4.387	+.185	4.382
180 1x1 Strp (prime)	7.539	8.041	-.502	8.820
180 0x1 Strp (choice)	5.152	4.961	+.191	4.835
184 Top Butt, bnls (ch.)	2.898	2.823	+.075	3.202
184 Top Butt, bnls (prime)	3.061	3.032	+.029	3.550
185a Sirloin Flap (choice)	4.401	4.366	+.035	3.739
185c Loin, Tri-Tip (choice)	3.264	3.241	+.023	2.927
189a Tender (select)	9.861	9.963	-.102	8.852
189a Tender (choice)	9.905	10.088	-.183	9.271
189a Tender (prime)	13.875	14.160	-.285	12.841
193 Flank Steak (choice)	4.054	4.036	+.018	4.286
50% Trimmings	1.043	1.143	-.100	.690
65% Trimmings	1.280	1.307	-.027	1.248
75% Trimmings	1.725	1.731	-.006	1.569
85% Trimmings	2.065	2.037	+.028	1.907
90% Trimmings	2.243	2.219	+.024	2.115
90% Imported Beef (frz.)	2.063	2.068	-.005	2.153
95% Imported Beef (frz.)	2.145	2.153	-.008	2.268
Veal Rack (Hotel 7 rib)	8.600	8.600	-	8.275
Veal Top Rnd. (cp. off)	15.065	15.065	-	14.925

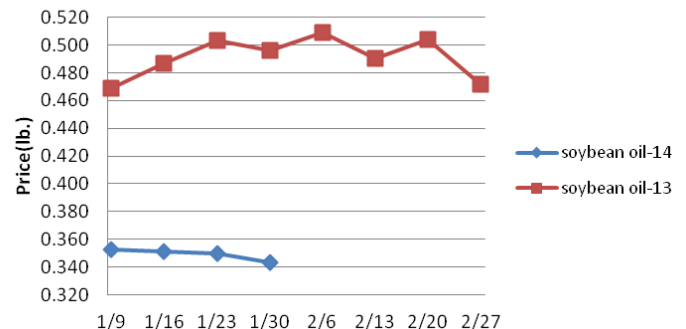
81/19 Ground Beef



Oil, Grains, Misc.- Oil, Grains, Misc.- - Soybean oil prices have fallen near three year lows during the last week. History suggests that soybean oil prices are likely to find a bottom soon. Prices USDA, FOB.

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Soybeans, bushel	12.813	13.080	-.267	14.801
Crude Soybean Oil, lb.	.343	.351	-.008	.496
Soybean Meal, ton	486.600	486.600	-	440.700
Corn, bushel	4.248	4.245	+.003	7.406
Crude Corn Oil, lb.	.393	.385	+.008	.525
High Fructose Corn Syrup	.142	.142	-	.204
Distillers Grain, Dry	172.500	160.000	+12.500	264.500
Crude Palm Oil, lb. BMD	.343	.346	-.003	.360
HRW Wheat, bushel	6.210	6.300	-.090	7.925
DNS Wheat 14%, bushel	6.800	6.910	-.110	8.760
Durum Wheat, bushel	6.900	6.800	+.100	7.925
Pinto Beans, lb.	.353	.363	-.010	.340
Black Beans, lb.	.390	.413	-.023	.345
Rice, Long Grain, lb.	.286	.286	-	.276
Coffee, lb. NYBOT	1.169	1.172	-.003	1.486
Sugar, lb. NYBOT	.204	.205	-.001	.206
Honey (Clover), lb.	2.128	2.012	+.116	1.931

Soybean Oil



Dairy The weather continues to negatively impact milk production. U.S. milk output during December was .1% less than the prior year due to a .1% smaller milk cow herd and flat milk per cow yields. Milk farmers did add a net 2,000 head to the herd during the month which marks the first monthly build since July. Record high margins are expected to lead to further milk cow herd and milk production expansion in the coming

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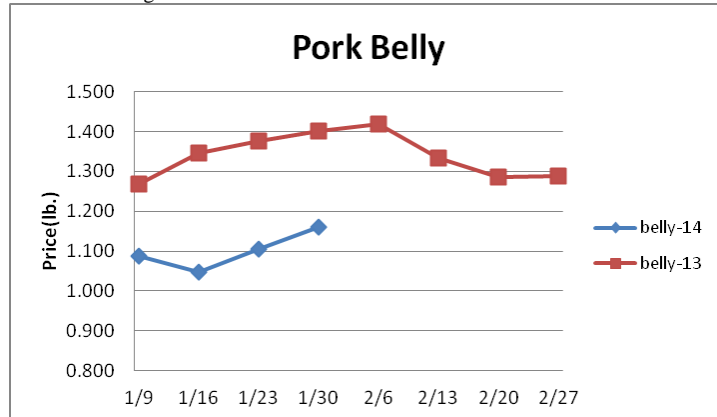


months which eventually could weigh on the dairy markets. The CME cheese markets set new record highs this week. The butter market has softened. Prices per pound, except Class I Cream (hundred weight), from USDA

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Cheese Barrels (CME)	2.300	2.243	+.057	1.530
Cheese Blocks (CME)	2.340	2.270	+.070	1.645
American Cheese	2.345	2.275	+.070	1.778
Cheddar Cheese (40 lb.)	2.357	2.290	+.067	2.040
Mozzarella Cheese	2.497	2.430	+.067	1.885
Provolone Cheese	2.855	2.787	+.068	2.235
Parmesan Cheese	4.202	4.135	+.067	3.583
Butter (CME)	1.895	1.940	-.045	1.555
Nonfat Dry Milk	2.105	2.102	+.003	1.599
Whey, Dry	.608	.602	+.006	.615
Class I Base	22.020	21.480	+.540	18.210
Class II Cream, heavy	2.280	2.156	+.124	1.625
Class III Milk (CME)	22.890	22.180	+.710	17.090
Class IV Milk (CME)	23.400	23.340	+.060	17.600

Pork- Pork output last week declined 1.5% but was a whopping 7.1% greater than the same week a year ago. Hog weights have been trending 3% heavier than last year which is contributing to the year over year gains in production. Still, PEDv could make pork output challenging at times this winter. The pork markets may be forming a bottom. Typically pork prices are relatively flat during February. December 31 pork belly stocks were 124% bigger than 2012. Prices USDA, FOB per pound.

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Live Hogs	.585	.574	+.011	.609
Belly (bacon)	1.160	1.105	+.055	1.419
Sparerib (4.25 lb. & down)	1.572	1.540	+.032	1.378
Ham (20-23 lb.)	.787	.772	+.015	.740
Ham (23-27 lb.)	.785	.757	+.028	.770
Loin (bone-in)	.958	.958	-	.907
Bbybck Rib (1.75 lb. & up)	2.234	2.121	+.113	1.987
Tenderloin (1.25 lb.)	2.566	2.357	+.209	2.510
Boston Butt, untrmd. (4-8lb.)	.975	.946	+.029	.821
Picnic, untrmd.	.671	.657	+.014	.531
SS Picnic, smoker trm. bx.	.886	.834	+.052	.690
42% Trimmings	.363	.352	+.011	.407
72% Trimmings	.731	.707	+.024	.680



Tomato Products, Canned- Current canned tomato inventories are below year ago levels but still adequate. The canned tomato markets remain steady to firm. Prices per case (6/10) FOB, unless noted from ARA..

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Whole Peeled, Standard	12.250	12.250	-	12.250
Diced, Fancy	12.750	12.750	-	12.750
Ketchup, 33%	13.438	13.438	-	13.438
Tomato Paste- Industrial (lb.)	.398	.398	-	.398

Processed Vegetables December 31 frozen cob corn (1%), cut corn (19%) and green pea (4%) stocks were all more than last year. The processed vegetable markets remain relatively firm. Prices per case (6/10) FOB, unless noted from ARA.

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Corn, Fcy whl kern- can 6/10	19.656	19.656	-	19.656
Green Beans Fcy- can 6/10	19.250	19.250	-	19.250
Green Peas, Fcy- can 6/10	20.750	20.750	-	20.750
Corn, Cob- froz 96 ct.	14.750	14.750	-	14.750
Corn, Kernel- froz 12/2.5#	19.500	19.500	-	19.500
Green Beans Cut- froz 12/2#	15.300	15.300	-	15.300
Green Peas- froz 12/2.5#	26.250	26.250	-	26.250
Potatoes, FF Fncy- froz 6/5#	14.000	14.000	-	14.000

Poultry- - Chicken output for the week ending January 18th declined 2.9% but was 6.1% larger than the same week a year ago. Strong chicken production gains are anticipated to persist which may continue to weigh on the chicken markets. The ARA daily chicken wing index has risen 9% since the beginning of the year due to better demand for the football playoff season. However, modestly lower chicken wing prices are almost certainly on the horizon. The five year average move for the ARA chicken wing index during February is down 12.5%. The chicken breast markets are usually fairly flat next month before jumping higher in March. December 31 chicken breast stocks were 16% less than the previous year while chicken wing (29%) and leg quarter (34%) holdings were larger than 2012. Prices USDA, FOB per pound except when noted.

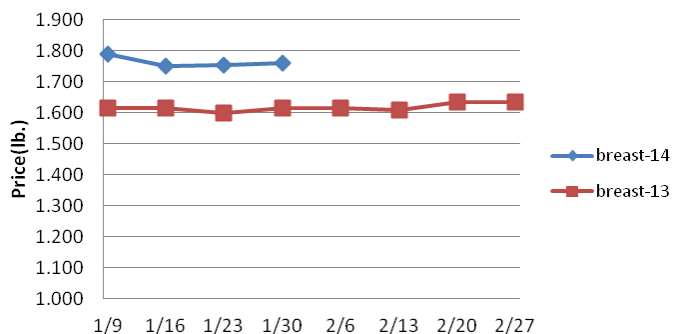
<u>Chicken</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Whole Birds (2.5-3 lb.-GA)	1.045	1.045	-	.998
Wings (whole)	1.305	1.300	+.005	2.040
Wings (jumbo, cut)	1.195	1.197	-.002	2.098
Breast, Bone In	1.035	1.030	+.005	1.050
Breast, Bnless Skinless	1.760	1.755	+.005	1.615
Tenderloin (random)	1.430	1.430	-	1.370
Tenderloin (sized)	1.730	1.730	-	1.500
Legs (whole)	.579	.646	-.067	.688
Leg Quarters	.500	.500	-	.540
Thighs, bone in	.748	.656	+.092	.821
Thighs, boneless	1.249	1.289	-.040	1.283

<u>Eggs and Others</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Price 13</u>
Large (dozen)	1.210	1.133	+.077	1.405
Medium (dozen)	1.112	1.025	+.087	1.078
Whole Eggs- Liquid	.620	.621	-.001	.518
Egg Whites- Liquid	.916	.916	-	.476
Egg Yolks- Liquid	.619	.630	-.011	.885
Whole Turkeys (8-16 lb.)	.970	.970	-	.955
Turkey Breast, Bnls/Sknls	2.200	2.160	+.040	1.890

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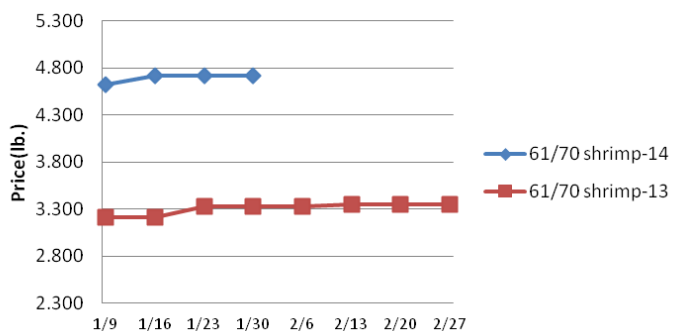
Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast



Seafood- Snow crab leg prices remain relatively inflated. The U.S. Bering Sea snow crab fishing season is progressing with 35% of the quota landed to date. However, the 2013-14 Bering sea snow crab quota is down 18.6% from the previous season and the smallest in four years. Fairly firm snow crab leg prices are expected to endure in February. Prices for fresh product, unless noted, per pound from Fisheries Market News. .

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 13
Salmon (wh. Atl., 10-12 lb.)	n/a	n/a	-	n/a
Catfish Filets	n/a	n/a	-	n/a
Trout (drn. 8-14 oz.)	n/a	n/a	-	n/a
Shrimp (16/20), Frz	8.427	8.427	-	5.818
Shrimp (61/70), Frz.	4.720	4.720	-	3.325
Shrimp, Tiger (26/30), Frz.	7.675	7.675	-	4.616
Snow Crab, Legs 5-8 oz, Frz	5.500	5.475	+.025	5.250
Snow Crab, Legs 8 oz/ up, Frz	6.250	6.250	-	5.800
Cod Tails, 3-7 oz., Frz.	3.088	3.088	-	3.175
Cod Loins, 3-12 oz., Frz	3.025	3.025	-	3.350
Salmon Portions, 4-8 oz, Frz	6.108	6.067	+.041	4.854
Pollock, Alaska, Deep Skin	1.775	1.775	-	1.925

61/70 Shrimp



Energy & Currency-Currency US dollar is worth.

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 13
Crude Oil, barrel- nymex	97.410	94.990	+2.420	96.640
Natural Gas, mbtu- nymex	5.033	4.431	+.602	3.399
Heating Oil, gal- nymex	3.122	3.015	+.107	3.191
Electricity, mwht- nymex	199.480	379.560	-180.080	38.780
Gasoline, gal- nymex	2.628	2.621	+.007	3.037
Diesel Fuel, gal- eia	3.904	3.873	+.031	4.022

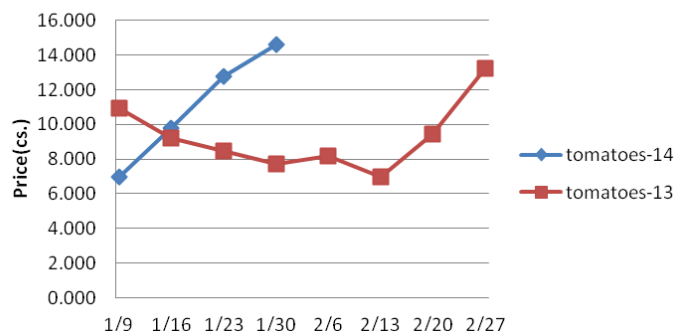
Ethanol, gal- usda	1.950	2.025	-.075	2.360
Canadian \$	1.115	1.096	+.019	.996
Japanese Yen	102.709	104.325	-1.616	93.860
Mexican Peso	13.312	13.300	+.012	12.636
Euro	.733	.738	-.005	.736
Brazilian Real	2.437	2.360	+.077	1.985
Chinese Yuan	6.055	6.051	+.004	6.237

Paper/Plastic- Provided by: resin- www.plasticsnews.com pulp- www.paperage.com

Wood Pulp/ Plastic Resin	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 13
WP; NBSK (napkin, towel)	1002.570	997.500	+5.070	886.130
WP; 42 lb. Linerboard (corr.)	771.960	781.720	-9.760	776.899
Res; PS-CHH (cup, cont.)	1.250-	1.210-	+.040	1.210-
	1.290	1.250		1.250
Res; PP-HIGP (hvy utensil)	1.100-	1.100-	-	1.120-
	1.120	1.120		1.140
Res; PE-LLD (cn liner, film)	.970-1.000	.970-1.000	-	.880-.900

Produce- Periods of cold weather in Florida has negatively impacted the tomato crops. Tomato shipments from the state last week declined 20.6% and were 22.5% less than the same week a year ago. Solid imports from Mexico have helped alleviate the impact on the tomato markets. Still, tomato prices could be relatively firm in the near term. The lettuce markets continue to trend at engaging price levels for buyers with the cold winter dampening demand. The downside price risk in lettuce from here is almost certainly minimal. Higher potato prices are expected later this winter. Prices USDA FOB shipping point unless noted (terminal)

Tomatoes (Large)



	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 13
Limes (150 ct.)	16.000	16.000	-	14.000
Lemons (95 ct.)	24.350	24.350	-	12.775
Lemons (200 ct.)	23.350	23.350	-	16.025
Honeydew (6 ct.)	14.950	14.450	+.500	9.012
Cantaloupe (15 ct.)	5.450	5.450	-	9.233
Blueberries (12 count)	27.333	29.000	-1.667	26.000
Strawberries (12 pnts.)	21.000	21.000	-	13.500
Avocados (Hass 48 ct.)	30.500	31.250	-.750	18.750
Bananas (40 lb.)- Term.	14.319	14.706	-.387	14.360
Pineapple (7 ct.)- Term.	14.277	12.833	+1.444	12.125
Idaho Potato (60 ct., 50 lb.)	8.875	9.250	-.375	5.062
Idaho Potato (70 ct., 50 lb.)	8.875	9.250	-.375	5.375

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lb.)				
Idaho Potato (70 ct.)- Term.	15.654	15.520	+134	10.583
Idaho Potato (90 ct., 50 lb.)	8.875	9.250	-.375	6.000
Idaho Pot. # 2 (6 oz., 100 lb.)	9.500	10.750	-1.250	6.500
Processing Potato (cwt.)	7.900	7.900	-	6.500
Yellow Onions (50 lb.)	10.000	10.000	-	15.833
Yell Onions (50 lb.)-Term.	17.645	16.098	+1.547	25.000
Red Onions (25 lb.)- Term.	13.062	12.687	+.375	24.041
White Onions (50 lb.)- Term.	26.854	26.354	+.500	36.125
Tomatoes (large- case)	14.616	12.783	+1.833	7.700
Tomatoes (5x6-25 lb.)- Term	12.000	13.854	-1.854	11.625
Tomatoes (4x5 vine ripe)	10.450	12.950	-2.500	7.475
Roma Tomatoes (large-case)	9.440	10.818	-1.378	8.531
Roma Tomatoes (xlarge-cs)	9.925	11.063	-1.138	8.781
Green Peppers (large- case)	18.125	18.083	+.042	9.087
Red Peppers (large 15lb. cs.)	13.950	16.450	-2.500	17.950
Iceberg Lettuce (24 count)	5.490	5.478	+.012	26.685
Iceberg Lettuce (24)-Term.	14.166	14.250	-.084	30.916
Leaf Lettuce (24 count)	6.100	6.392	-.292	23.280
Romaine Lettuce (24 cnt.)	6.333	6.858	-.525	34.408
Mesculin Mix (3 lb.)-Term.	6.625	6.843	-.218	7.043
Broccoli (14 ct.)	6.425	7.308	-.883	18.136
Squash (1/2 bushel)	15.350	17.350	-2.000	13.350
Zucchini (1/2 bushel)	8.350	7.000	+1.350	17.350
Green Beans (bushel)	36.700	35.625	+1.075	16.933
Spinach, Flat 24's	13.100	15.975	-2.875	26.795
Mushrms (10 lb, lg.)-Term.	15.395	15.500	-.105	15.145
Cucumbers (bushel)	16.678	21.570	-4.892	15.474
Pickles (200-300 ct.)- Term.	25.019	24.000	+1.019	26.062
Asparagus (small)	10.625	16.500	-5.875	16.500
Freight (Truck; CA-Cty Av.)	5078.571	4900.000	+178.571	4762.5

Retail Prices-CPI, Percent compared to prior month from BLS.

	<u>Dec-13</u>	<u>Nov-13</u>	<u>Oct-13</u>	<u>Sep-13</u>	<u>Feb-12</u>	<u>Jan-12</u>	<u>Dec-11</u>	<u>Jan-12</u>	<u>Dec-11</u>	<u>Nov-11</u>
Beef and Veal	+.202	+.533	+.292	-.295	+.211	+1.136	+.885	+1.136	+.885	+.353
Dairy	+.419	+.400	-.189	+.099	-.506	+.931	-.141	+.931	-.141	-.331
Pork	-.173	-2.161	+.637	+.378	-.288	-.176	-1.030	-.176	-1.030	-.906
Chicken	+.520	-1.656	+1.036	+.181	+.190	+.148	+.897	+.148	+.897	-.038
Fresh Fish and Seafood	-1.391	+.280	+.376	+2.064	-1.454	+.639	+.449	+.639	+.449	+.356
Fresh Fruits and Veg.	-.679	-.741	+1.000	+.001	-2.367	+.555	+.252	+.555	+.252	-.399