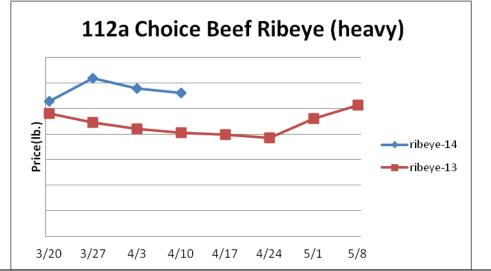
# **Beef, Veal and Lamb Report**

**Beef, Veal & Lamb-** - Beef production last week declined .5% and was 1.1% less than the same week a year ago. Beef output is expected to remain well below 2013 levels through the spring but may track closer to prior year levels this summer. Consumers and wholesale buyers continue to push back on the inflated beef prices. This is bringing weakness to many of the beef markets. However, warming weather and grill season demand could bring support to some beef markets in the coming weeks including beef trim and grinds. Forward beef sales for beef trim and grinds have been especially strong as of late signaling that retailers are planning features around less expensive beef cuts. Price USDA, FOB per pound.



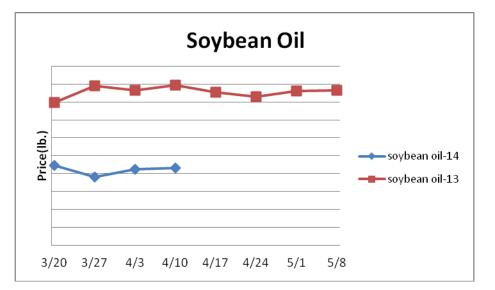
	Market Trend	<u>Supplies</u>	Price vs. Last Year
Live Cattle (Steer)	Steady	Good	Higher
Ground Beef 81/19	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Ground Chuck	Increasing	Good	Higher
109 Export Rib (choice)	Increasing	Good	Higher
109 Export Rib (prime)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
112a Ribeye (choice)	Decreasing	Good	Higher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

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Veal Rack (Hotel 7 rib)	Steady	Good	Higher
Veal Top Round (cap off)	Steady	Good	Same

#### **Oil and Grains Report**

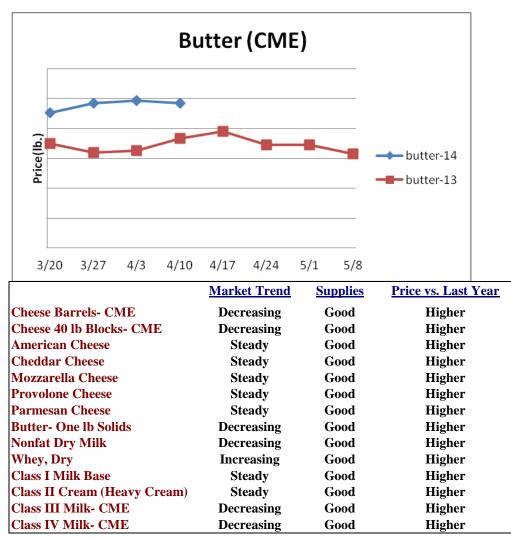
**Oil & Grains- Oil, Grains, Misc-** Better weather has aided the U.S. winter wheat crop as of late but conditions are still historically subpar. The wheat markets may be erratic in the near term. Prices USDA, FOB.



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

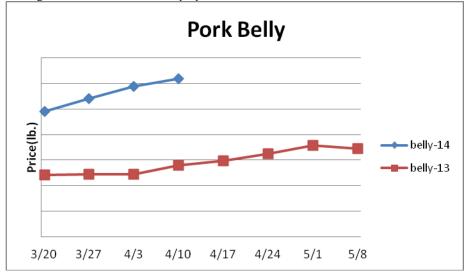
### **Dairy Report**

**Dairy-** The CME spot cheese markets have declined during the last week. Milk production is seasonally increasing in the Midwest aiding cheese production levels. Further, a cooler summer is anticipated this year due to an El Nino weather pattern which should enhance milk output. Even lower cheese prices are expected in the coming months. Last year the CME cheese block market declined 8% during May. Butter market depreciation may be forthcoming as well as international butter and nonfat dry milk markets are softening. Butter made its annual 2013 low in June. Prices per pound, except Class I Cream (hundred weight), from USDA.



### **Pork Report**

**Pork** - Pork production last week was flat with the previous week and just .4% less than the same week a year ago. Pork output is anticipated to be inconsistent during the next several months due to PEDv. As with beef, buyers are resisting the inflated pork prices which has caused some of the markets to pause. Typically the USDA pork cutout will rise 14% from now until making a top during the summer. Any pending pork price increases may be limited by slowing demand. Prices USDA, FOB per pound.



	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	Price vs. Last Year
Live Hogs	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Belly (bacon)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Spare Rib (4.25 & down)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Ham (23-27 lb)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Loin (bone-in)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Baby Back Rib (1.75 & up)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Tenderloin (1.25 lb)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Boston Butt, untrimmed 4-8 lb.	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Picnic, untrimmed	Decreasing	Good	Higher
SS Picnic, smoker trim boxed	Increasing	Good	Higher
42% Trimmings	Increasing	Good	Higher
72% Trimmings	Increasing	Good	Higher

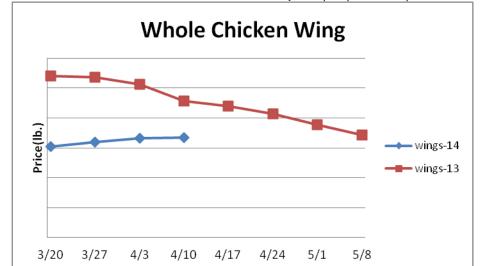
# **Canned Tomato Report**

**Tomato Products, Canned** – California tomato canners will be paying 18% more for tomatoes this year. The canned tomato markets are anticipated to remain firm deep into the summer. Prices per case (6/10) FOB, unless noted from ARA.

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

## **Poultry Report**

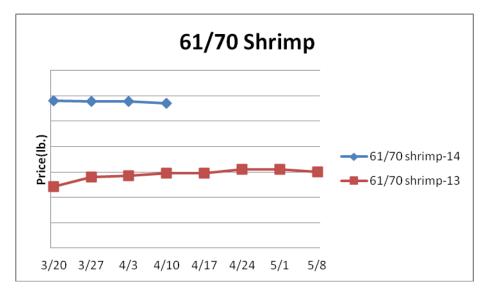
**Poultry**-Chicken output for the week ending March 29 was flat with the same week a year ago. Chicken production in the near term is expected to track close to 2013 levels. However, rising chicken prices and improving chicken producer margins are anticipated to lead to chicken output expansion versus the prior year later this spring and into the summer. The USDA is forecasting chicken output during the second quarter of this year to track 3.3% above 2013. The chicken wing markets have been counter-seasonally firming during the last month. This is due to the slowed chicken production levels. Some modest relief in wing prices is likely to occur before the markets start to appreciate for the pending football season. The chicken breast markets are projected to remain firm in the near term. Prices USDA, FOB per pound except when noted.



	Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	<u>Price vs. Last Year</u>
Whole Chicken (2.5-3 lb-GA)	Steady	Good	Higher
Chicken Wings, Whole	Increasing	Good	Lower
Chicken Wings, Jumbo Cut	Increasing	Good	Lower
Chicken Breast, Bone-In	Increasing	Good	Higher
Chicken Breast, Bnless Sknless	Increasing	Good	Higher
Chicken Tender (random)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Chicken Tender (sized)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Chicken Legs (whole)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Chicken Leg Quarters	Increasing	Good	Lower
Chicken Thighs, bone in	Increasing	Good	Lower
Chicken Thighs, boneless	Increasing	Good	Lower
Large Eggs	Increasing	Good	Higher
Medium Eggs	Steady	Good	Higher
Whole Eggs- Liq	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Egg Whites- Liq	Increasing	Good	Higher
Egg Yolks- Liq	Steady	Good	Lower
Whole Turkey (8-16 lb)	Steady	Good	Higher
Turkey Breast- Bnls/Sknls	Increasing	Good	Higher

## **Seafood Report**

**Seafood** - Shrimp imports during February were 15% larger than the prior year, the biggest for the month since 2008, but the smallest for any month since July. Poor Thailand shrimp output may continue to inflate the global shrimp markets. U.S. shrimp imports from the world's largest exporter Thailand in February were the smallest for the month since 1991. Prices for fresh product, unless noted, per pound from Fisheries Market News.



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

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

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

#### **Paper Product Report**

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

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

	<b>Feb-14</b>	<u>Jan-14</u>	<b>Dec-13</b>
Beef and Veal	Increasing	Decreasing	Increasing
Dairy	Increasing	Increasing	Increasing
Pork	Increasing	Increasing	Decreasing
Chicken	Decreasing	Decreasing	Increasing
Fresh Fish and Seafood	Increasing	Increasing	Decreasing
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	Increasing	Decreasing	Decreasing

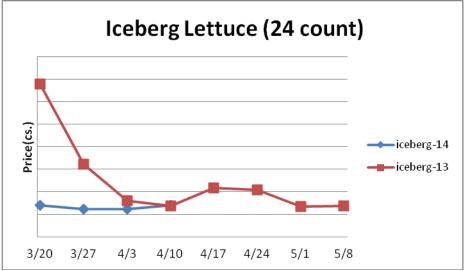
# **Processed Fruits and Vegetables Report**

**Processed Fruits and Vegetables** – The processed vegetable markets are relatively firm. Delayed planting due to lingering cold temperatures may cause inflated processed vegetable markets to persist. Prices FOB per case from ARA.

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

### **Produce Report**

**Produce-** The tomato markets continue to trade at relatively inflated levels due to the short supplies in the east. Tomato shipments from Florida last week were 37% less than the same week a year ago. Further, demand for tomatoes is improving with the better weather. Florida tomato shipments are anticipated to improve in the coming weeks which could bring some relief to tomato prices. The lettuce markets are firming some due to the main production transition to the Salinas California area and improving demand. The upside price risk in lettuce for the near term may only be modest. Prices USDA FOB shipping point unless noted (terminal).



Limes (150 count) Lemons (95 count) Lemons (200 count) Honeydew (6 ct.) **Cantaloupe (15 count) Blueberries (12 count)** Strawberries (12 pints) Avocados, Hass (48 count) Bananas (40 lb)-Term. Pineapple (7 ct.)- Term. Idaho Potato (60 count) Idaho Potato (70 count) Idaho Potato (70 count)-Term. Idaho Potato (90 count) Idaho Potato #2 (6 oz. min.) **Processing Potato (100 lb)** Yellow Onions (50 lb) Yellow Onions (50 lb)-Term. Red Onions (25 lb)-Term. White Onions (50 lb)-Term. Tomatoes, (large- case) Tomatoes, (5x6, 25 lb.)-Term. Tomatoes, Vine Ripe, (4x5) **Roma Tomatoes (large- case) Roma Tomatoes (xlarge- case)** 

Market Trend	<b>Supplies</b>	<u>Price vs. Last Year</u>
Steady	Good	Higher
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Decreasing	Good	Higher
Steady	Good	Higher
Increasing	Good	Higher
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Green Peppers (large- case)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Red Peppers (large- 15 lb. cs.)	Steady	Good	Higher
Iceberg Lettuce (24 count)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Iceberg Lettuce (24 cnt)-Term.	Increasing	Good	Higher

# **Produce Report (continued)**

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