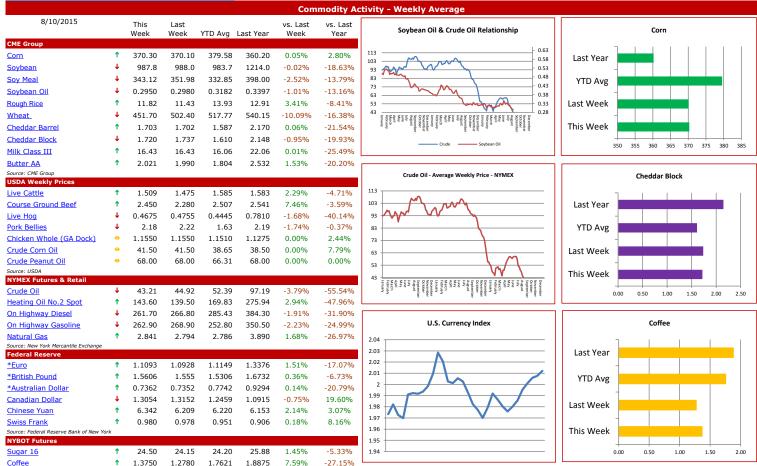


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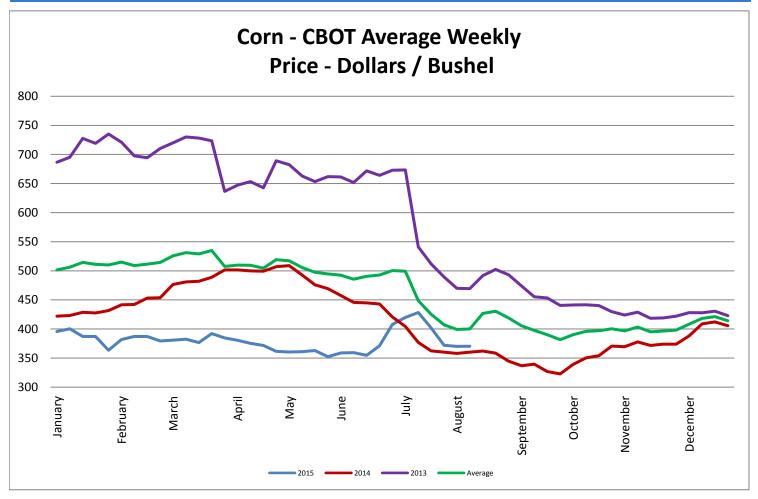
Commentary: Last week's USDA report left traders scratching their heads wondering what was going on. There are always some crop issues, like drought in some areas, too much rain in others, flooding, too hot, too cold, etc. But it seems that the USDA has erased all of these issues, or have forgotten about them. All of the crop issues I just listed are real ones this year. The USDA seems to have found a lot of corn and beans. While the situation was not desperate this year, it really begs the question, "What are they up to?" The only thing that comes to mind, is keeping the cost of commodities low. We now have crude oil this low since 2009. Of course gas prices are much lower, and diesel is pretty much even with gas per gallon and has slipped lower in some areas. There are most definitely some reasons for the futures to be lower. Exports are poor. China's economy and the strength of the U.S. dollar are keeping exports down. Cheap grains from South America. Lower crude almost always drives futures down for AG commodities. But when you look at last month vs. this month and see the forecasted beans and corn per acre increases, it makes me and many others believe the USDA is trying to steer the market. Enough of that. Markets are down and we have had a great opportunity to cover our needs. Is there room to the downside? Possibly, but again 2009 is the last time we saw 29 cent soybean oil. We have broken out of the range I have been writing about for months to the low side. Statistically it is unlikely to move much lower, but it is possible. When you break through a range barrier it usually breaks hard.

The good news is lower feed prices, more protein coming on the market. Short-term prices are falling and long-term prices will be affected too. Wait? Is that good news? We will likely see some farmers holding back their grain to boost prices. They don't like these lower prices.

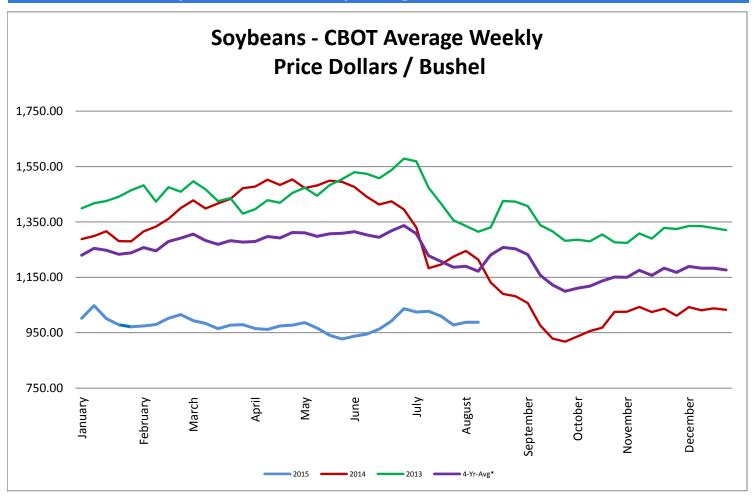
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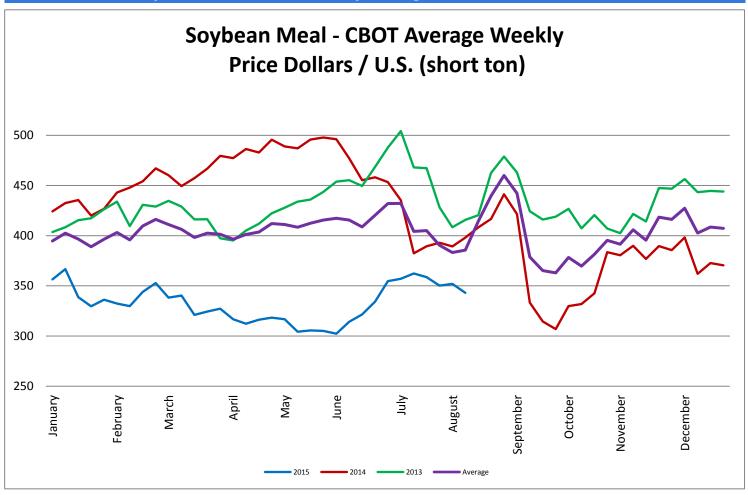




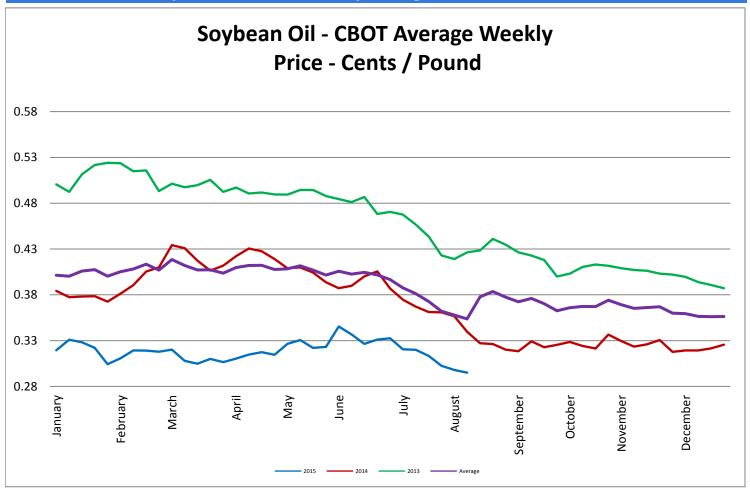
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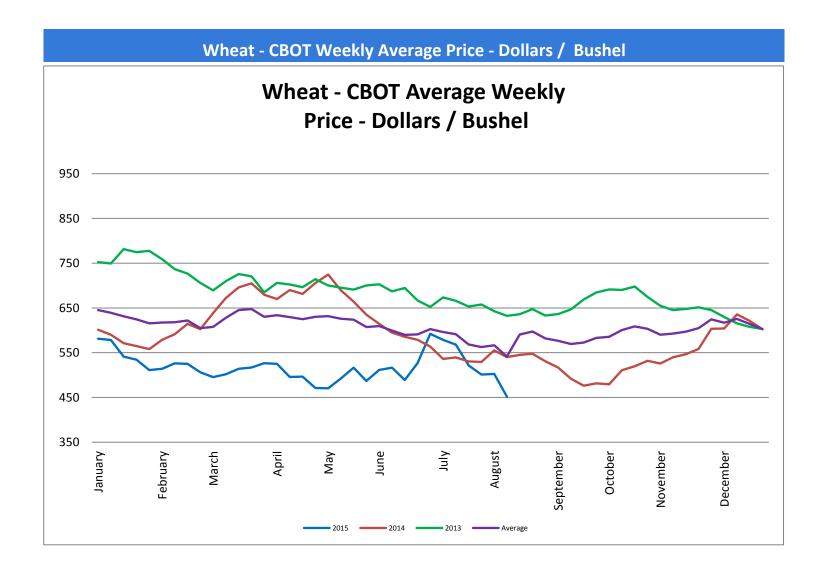




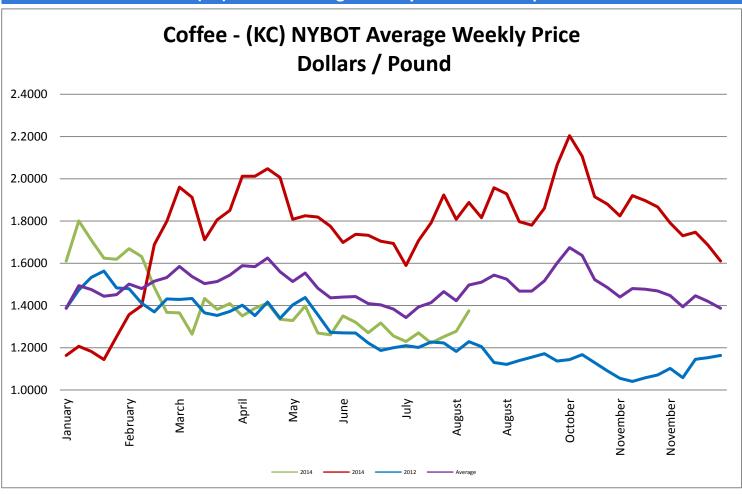




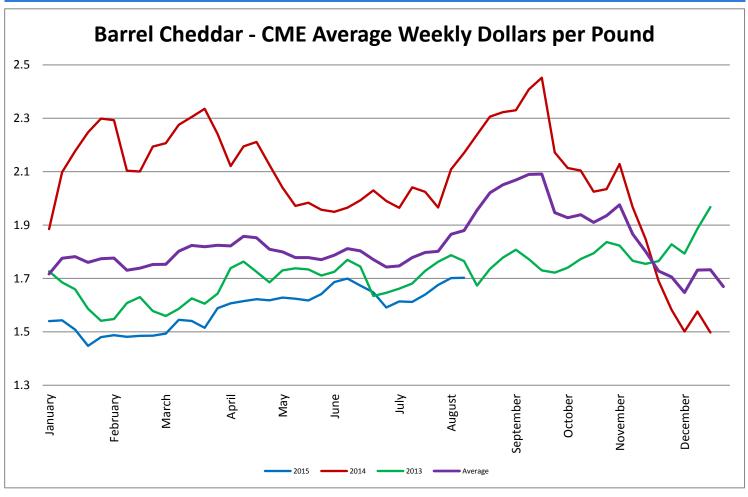




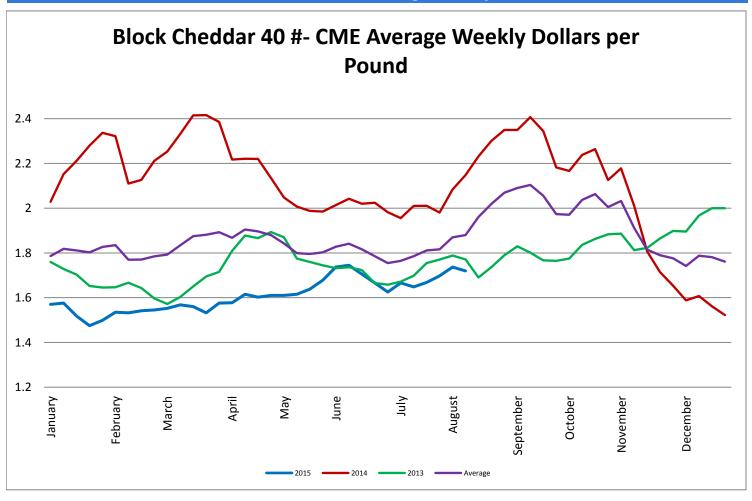


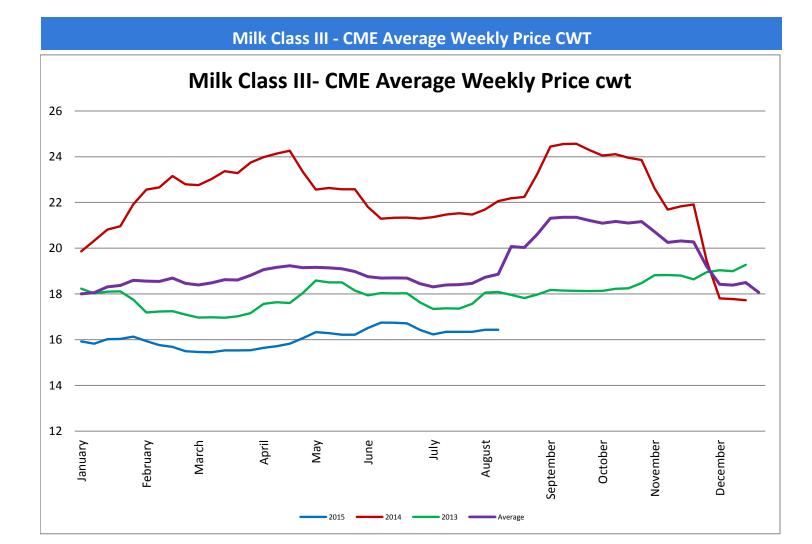


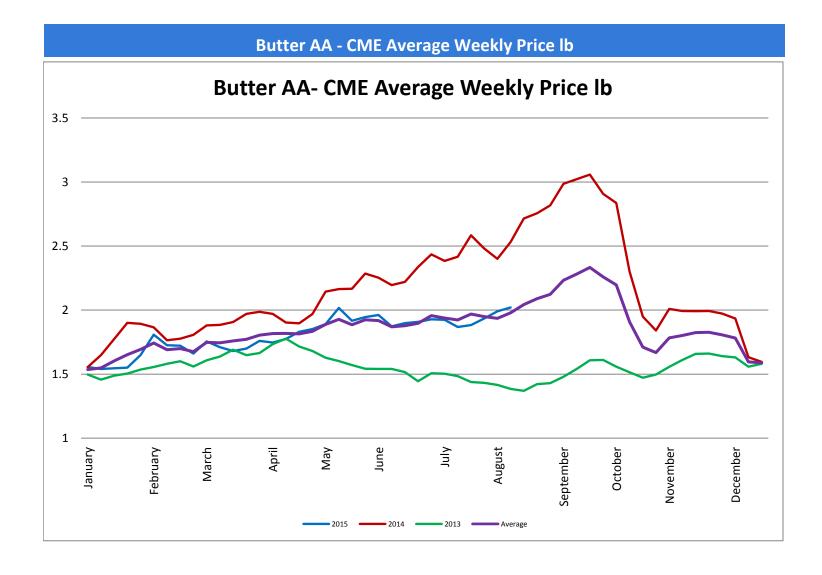




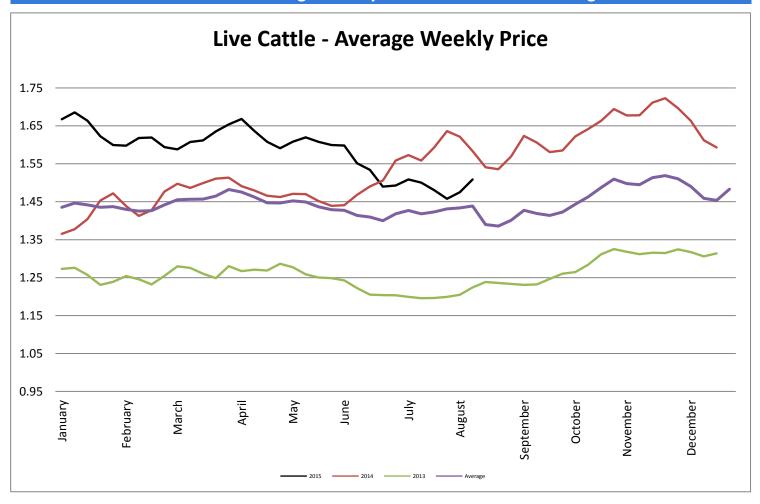
40 LB Block Cheddar - CME Average Weekly Price / Pound







Live Cattle - Average Weekly Price USDA - 6 State Average



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