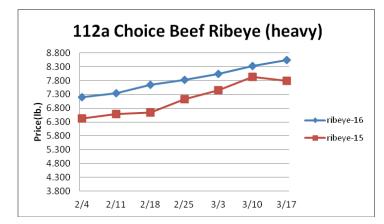
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Volume No. 21 Issue No. 11 Date: March 17, 2016 Beef - Beef production last week rose .4% and was 2.7% larger than the same week last year. 2016 beef output to date is tracking .8% above last year. The USDA is forecasting beef production this year to rise 3.6% from 2015 marking the first annual increase in six years. Beef demand is starting to seasonally escalate. Spot beef shipments last week were the biggest in three months. Further, the three week total of forward beef sales 22-90 days out has risen to the highest level since October. Modest beef markets increases could be impending especially for grill items. Last year the choice 185c tri-tip market appreciated 16.3% from mid-March until the end of May. Price USDA, FOB per pound.

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Live Cattle	1.387	1.357	+.030	1.620
Feeder Cattle Index (CME)	1.608	1.592	+.016	2.130
Ground Beef 81/19	1.663	1.580	+.083	2.497
Ground Chuck	1.871	1.892	021	2.554
109e Export Rib (choice)	7.505	7.641	136	6.890
109e Export Rib (prime)	8.804	8.593	+.211	8.325
112a Ribeye (choice)	8.538	8.324	+.214	7.786
112a Ribeye (prime)	9.688	9.182	+5.06	8.986
116 Chuck (select)	2.829	2.731	+.098	3.078
116 Chuck (choice)	2.827	2.656	+.171	3.125
116b Chuck Tdnr (choice)	2.546	2.637	091	3.059
120 Brisket (choice)	2.524	2.466	+.058	3.021
121c Outside Skirt (ch/sel)	6.210	5.853	+.357	5.293
121d Inside Skirt (ch/sel)	4.680	4.489	+.191	4.573
167a Knckle, Trm. (ch.)	2.434	2.397	+.037	3.242
168 Inside Round (ch.)	2.432	2.246	+.186	2.831
174 Short Loin (ch. 0x1)	6.708	6.536	+.172	5.757
174 Short Loin (prime)	7.614	7.178	+.436	7.105
180 1x1 Strp (choice)	6.370	6.132	+.238	5.560
180 1x1 Strp (prime)	6.303	6.303	-	7.776
180 0x1 Strp (choice)	7.318	6.908	+.410	6.117
184 Top Butt, bnls (ch.)	3.930	3.001	+.929	3.845
184 Top Butt, bnls (prime)	4.557	3.626	+.931	4.923
185a Sirloin Flap (choice)	5.521	5.741	220	5.030
185c Loin, Tri-Tip (choice)	2.652	2.457	+.195	3.882
189a Tender (select)	10.750	10.857	107	10.408
189a Tender (choice)	10.947	10.643	+.304	10.500
189a Tender (prime)	14.100	14.170	070	14.996
193 Flank Steak (choice)	6.082	5.992	+.090	5.592
50% Trimmings	1.156	.851	+.305	.915
65% Trimmings	1.301	1.033	+.268	1.399
75% Trimmings	1.374	1.369	+.005	2.243
85% Trimmings	1.961	1.986	025	2.763
90% Trimmings	2.187	2.184	+.003	2.950
90% Imported Beef (frz.)	2.090	2.100	010	2.300
95% Imported Beef (frz.)	2.237	2.275	038	2.460
Veal Rack (Hotel 7 rib)	8.750	8.875	125	9.950
Veal Top Rnd. (cp. off)	15.875	16.125	250	17.600



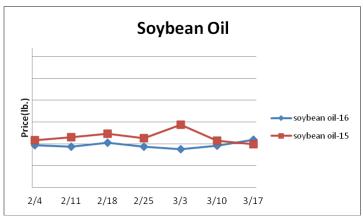
Oil, Grains, Misc- World food oil supplies are tightening. Malaysian



palm oil output during February was the smallest for the month in several years due to challenging weather. Palm oil price increases are anticipated in the coming months which could underpin the soybean oil and canola oil markets. Prices USDA, FOB

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Soybeans, bushel	8.839	8.542	+.297	9.524
Crude Soybean Oil, lb.	.309	.296	+.013	.299
Soybean Meal, ton	274.700	279.300	-4.600	349.000
Corn, bushel	3.560	3.423	+.137	3.606
Crude Corn Oil, lb.	.408	.408	-	.370
High Fructose Corn Syrup	.129	.126	+.003	.130
Distillers Grain, Dry	130.542	132.021	-1.479	180.438
Crude Palm Oil, lb. BMD	.264	.264	-	.263
HRW Wheat, bushel	4.615	4.435	+.180	5.470
DNS Wheat 14%, bushel	5.290	5.130	+.160	5.890
Durum Wheat, bushel	5.492	5.493	001	8.477
Pinto Beans, lb.	.228	.226	+.002	.239
Black Beans, lb.	.230	.230	-	.340
Rice, Long Grain, lb.	.235	.235	-	.243

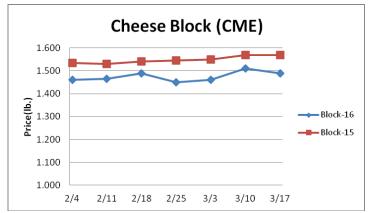




Dairy- The CME spot butter market fell this week to its least expensive level since July. Still, CME butter prices are well above the historical norm for late spring, up near 10% from the five year average for the third week of March. Unseasonably warm weather is encouraging milk output and thus butter and cheese production. Modestly lower butter prices may occur in the near term. The CME cheese markets remain range-bound near \$1.50 per pound. Cheese supplies are ample and exports are lethargic weighing on cheese prices. Similar cheese market action is likely to endure into the spring. Prices per pound, except Class I Cream (hundred weight), from USDA

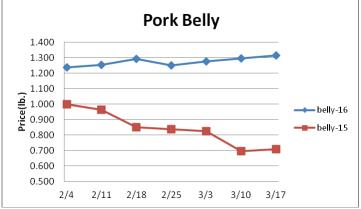
	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Cheese Barrels (CME)	1.430	1.465	035	1.560
Cheese Blocks (CME)	1.488	1.510	022	1.570
American Cheese	1.563	1.540	+.023	1.653
Cheddar Cheese (40 lb.)	1.615	1.580	+.035	1.673
Mozzarella Cheese	1.688	1.653	+.035	1.790
Provolone Cheese	2.075	2.075	-	2.148
Parmesan Cheese	3.690	3.690	-	3.495
Butter (CME)	1.925	1.960	035	1.680
Nonfat Dry Milk	.869	.880	011	1.133
Whey, Dry	.253	.255	002	.474
Class 1 Base	13.780	13.780	-	15.560
Class II Cream, heavy	2.272	2.381	109	2.129
Class III Milk (CME)	13.520	13.510	+.010	15.550
Class IV Milk (CME)	13.380	13.380	-	13.900

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Pork- Pork output last week declined .2% and was 1.1% less than the same week last year. Still overall domestic pork demand remains sluggish which is keeping a lid on the pork markets. Pork production will cyclically decline in the coming months which should underpin pork prices. The pork belly markets continue to track well above year ago levels as they buck the challenged demand trend. Higher pork belly prices may be impending. The five year average move for the USDA pork cutout during the next four weeks is an increase of 7.7%. Prices USDA, FOB per pound

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Live Hogs	.464	.459	+.005	.432
Belly (bacon)	1.296	1.275	+.021	.708
Sparerib (4.25 lb. & down)	1.315	1.296	+.019	.698
Ham (20-23 lb.)	1.645	1.623	+.022	1.662
Ham (23-27 lb.)	.570	.551	+.019	.542
Loin (bone-in)	.555	.565	010	.489
Bbybck Rib (1.75 lb. & up)	.757	.776	019	.842
Tenderloin (1.25 lb.)	2.747	2.705	+.042	2.543
Boston Butt, untrmd. (4-8 lb.)	2.031	2.108	077	2.407
Picnic, untrmd.	.799	.792	+.007	.856
SS Picnic, smoker trm. bx.	.446	.408	+.038	.443
42% Trimmings	.287	.243	+.044	.246
72% Trimmings	.547	.544	+.003	.397



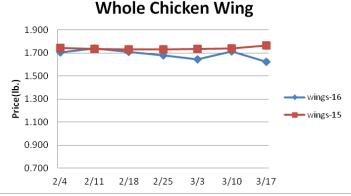
The Kitchen Sink (Various Markets) - The processed tomato markets continue to track well below year ago levels due to the record supply and lackluster demand. Fairly engaging processed tomato prices could persevere. Price bases noted below.

I.	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Whole Peeled, Stand (6/10)	12.081	11.993	+.088	12.881
Tomato Paste- Industrial (lb.)	.447	.444	+.003	.477
Coffee, lb., ICE	1.257	1.217	+.040	1.343
Sugar, lb., ICE	.256	.253	+.003	.241
Cocoa, mt., ICE	3053.000	2970.000	+83.000	3127.000
Orange Juice, lb., ICE	1.286	1.223	+.063	1.364
Honey (Clover), lb.	1.775	1.775	-	2.065



Poultry- Chicken output for the week ending March 5th rose 1% from the previous week and was 3.1% larger than the same week a year ago. Year to date weekly chicken production is tracking 3.1% above 2015 due to a 2.1% increase in bird slaughter and 1.5% rise in bird weights. Chicken breast prices appear to be finding some footing. The ARA Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast Index firmed last week for the first time since the third week of January. Still, the breast index was 25.5% less expensive than the five year average for the week and the lowest for mid-March in at least the last 15 years. Modest chicken breast price increases are anticipated in the coming months but the markets may remain below 2015 levels. Prices USDA. FOB per pound except when noted.

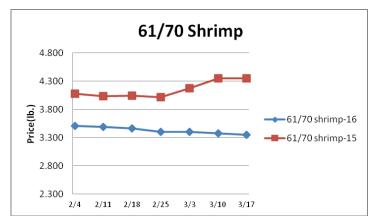
Chicken	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Whole Birds (2.5-3 lbGA)	1.145	1.138	+.007	1.145
Wings (whole)	1.625	1.715	090	1.765
Wings (jumbo, cut)	1.764	1.715	+.049	1.757
Breast, Bone In	.910	.955	045	1.165
Breast, Bnless Skinless	1.375	1.390	015	1.905
Tenderloin (random)	1.700	1.650	+.050	1.900
Tenderloin (sized)	1.900	1.850	+.050	2.200
Legs (whole)	.413	.365	+.048	.433
Leg Quarters	.330	.330	-	.495
Thighs, bone in	.507	.483	+.024	.711
Thighs, boneless	.795	.746	+.049	.990
Eggs and Others				
Large (dozen)	1.017	1.023	006	1.633
Medium (dozen)	.820	.818	+.002	1.272
Whole Eggs- Liquid	.675	.675	-	.764
Egg Whites- Liquid	.755	.755	-	.603
Egg Yolks- Liquid	.915	.915	-	.751
Whole Turkeys (8-16 lb.)	1.148	1.240	092	1.015
Turkey Breast, Bnls/Sknls	3.250	3.265	015	2.905



Seafood - U.S. shrimp trade remained relatively solid during January. U.S. shrimp imports during the month were down 1.8% from the previous year but were the second biggest for the month since 2012. Imports from Thailand were up 6.2% rising to a three year high for January. Unless the U.S. dollar depreciates, engaging shrimp imports and prices may persist. Prices for fresh product, unless noted, per pound from Fisheries Market News

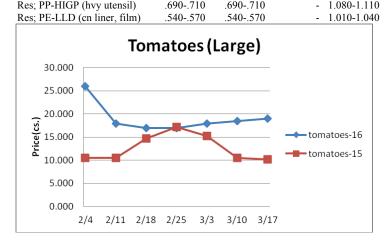
-	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Salmon (wh. Atl., 10-12 lb.)	n/a	n/a	-	n/a
Catfish Filets	n/a	n/a	-	n/a
Trout (drn. 8-14 oz.)	n/a	n/a	-	n/a
Shrimp (16/20), Frz	6.498	6.836	338	7.420
Shrimp (61/70), Frz.	3.350	3.380	030	4.350
Shrimp, Tiger (26/30), Frz.	4.900	4.900	-	6.060
Snow Crab, Legs 5-8 oz, Frz	5.225	5.225	-	5.250
Snow Crab, Legs 8 oz/ up, Fz	6.050	6.050	-	5.450
Cod Tails, 3-7 oz., Frz.	2.800	2.800	-	3.063
Cod Loins, 3-12 oz., Frz	3.175	3.175	-	3.037
Salmon Portions, 4-8 oz, Frz	5.775	5.775	-	6.342
Pollock, Alaska, Deep Skin	1.800	1.800	-	1.750

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Energy & Currency- OPEC members and Russia continue to seesaw on the potential for a world crude oil production growth freeze. Fairly attractive energy prices are likely to endure. Currency US dollar is worth

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Crude Oil, barrel- nymex	37.090	37.190	100	44.220
Natural Gas, mbtu- nymex	1.958	1.732	+.226	2.834
Heating Oil, gal- nymex	1.194	1.222	028	1.683
Electricity, mwht- nymex	31.850	30.000	+1.850	40.150
Gasoline, gal- nymex	1.445	1.419	+.026	1.712
Diesel Fuel, gal- eia	2.099	2.021	+.078	2.917
Ethanol, gal- usda	1.265	1.253	+.012	1.432
Canadian \$	1.337	1.340	003	1.279
Japanese Yen	113.494	112.497	+.997	121.178
Mexican Peso	17.917	17.836	+.081	15.385
Euro	.902	.912	010	.941
Brazilian Real	3.766	3.719	+.047	3.258
Chinese Yuan	6.521	6.513	+.008	6.228
Paper/Plastic-Provided	by; resin- www.pla	sticsnews.com, p	ulp- <u>www.pape</u>	rage.com.
Wood Pulp/ Plastic Res	in Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
WP; NBSK (napkin, towe	l) 928.625	963.241	-34.616	975.659
WP; 42 lb. Linerboard (co	rr.) 677.931	677.647	+.284	683.059
Res; PS-CHH (cup, cont.)	.960-1.00	.960-1.00	-	1.370-1.390
Res; PP-HIGP (hvy utensi	l) .690710	.690710	-	1.080-1.110





Produce- The tomato markets remain supported due in a large part to a disappointing harvest in Florida. Last week's Florida tomato shipments were 44% less than the same week last year. Season to date Florida tomato shipments are tracking 23% below the prior season. The weather in Florida is improving, however. Further, history suggests that tomato market declines could be forthcoming. The five year average move for the large mature green tomato market during the next eight weeks is a decline of 40%. This same market in May has average below the prior March price in seven of the last eight years. Price bases noted below.

	Price	Last Week	Difference	Price 15
Limes (150 ct.)	15.000	15.000	-	26.500
Lemons (95 ct.)	25.850	25.350	+.500	19.350
Lemons (200 ct.)	20.350	20.850	500	24.850
Honeydew (6 ct.)	7.517	8.583	-1.066	10.350
Cantaloupe (15 ct.)	9.450	10.450	-1.000	11.450
Blueberries (12 count)	22.000	18.000	+4.000	11.334
Strawberries (12 pnts.)	9.300	7.850	+1.450	7.080
Avocados (Hass 48 ct.)	23.500	21.250	+2.250	38.250
Bananas (40 lb.)- Term.	16.031	16.141	011	17.521
Pineapple (7 ct.)- Term.	13.792	12.275	+1.517	15.563
Idaho Potato (60 ct., 50 lb.)	9.250	9.250	-	13.625
Idaho Potato (70 ct., 50 lb.)	9.500	9.250	+.250	12.750
Idaho Potato (70 ct.)-Term.	15.870	16.176	306	18.188
Idaho Potato (90 ct., 50 lb.)	9.625	9.625	-	6.250
Idaho Pot. # 2 (6 oz., 100 lb.)	11.750	11.750	-	8.000
Processing Potato (cwt.)	9.250	9.250	-	9.000
Yellow Onions (50 lb.)	7.250	8.334	-1.084	4.750
Yell Onions (50 lb.)-Term.	14.563	14.782	219	9.969
Red Onions (25 lb.)- Term.	16.931	16.957	-,026	8.855
White Onions (50 lb.)- Term.	29.031	30.750	-1.689	22.329
Tomatoes (large- case)	18.950	18.450	+.500	10.200
Tomatoes (5x6-25 lb.)-Term	22.333	19.417	+2.916	17.594
Tomatoes (4x5 vine ripe)	14.950	11.950	+3.000	10.950
Roma Tomatoes (large- case)	16.700	13.200	+3.500	20.575
Roma Tomatoes (xlarge-cs)	16.950	13.825	+3.125	21.325
Green Peppers (large- case)	18.517	15.750	+2.767	11.250
Red Peppers (large 15lb. cs.)	17.950	17.750	+.200	9.950
Iceberg Lettuce (24 count)	6.975	6.863	+.112	11.083
Iceberg Lettuce (24)-Term.	11.875	12.667	792	19.250
Leaf Lettuce (24 count)	6.209	6.409	200	7.952
Romaine Lettuce (24 cnt.)	6.785	6.942	157	14.057
Mesculin Mix (3 lb.)-Term.	6.063	6.000	+.063	6.375
Broccoli (14 ct.)	7.694	5.933	+1.761	13.135
Squash (1/2 bushel)	20.650	15.350	+5.300	18.350
Zucchini (1/2 bushel)	8.650	7.350	+1.300	18.350
Green Beans (bushel)	32.384	34.500	-2.116	23.217
Spinach, Flat 24's	7.600	8.225	625	16.800
Mushrms (10 lb, lg.)-Term.	14.083	15.667	-1.584	16.459
Cucumbers (bushel)	25.322	20.020	+5.302	13.950
Pickles (200-300 ct.)- Term.	29.750	26.834	+2.916	25.667
Asparagus (small)	11.750	11.750	-	22.750
Freight (Truck; CA-Cty Av.)	4445.000	4520.000	-75.000	5155.000
Retail Prices-CPI, % compa	red to prior n	nonth from B	LS.	
	Feb-16	<u>Jan-16</u>	Dec-15	Nov-15
Beef and Veal	+.352	+1.404	-2.370	-1.400
Dairy	515	+.009	+.106	568
Pork	886	533	-2.320	-2.300
Chicken	064	702	-1.670	+.310
Fresh Fish and Seafood	-1.836	+2.066	-1.184	-1.350
Fresh Fruits and Veg.	015	+2.635	+.548	+.337