

GENERAL SESSION IV

Grain Market Situation and Outlook

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Abstract/Summary

“Grain price volatility in response to production uncertainty” was the rule in July 2018 as serious drought conditions developed in the U.S. Northern Plains states and expanded into Iowa late in the month. As a result, 2017 U.S. and Canadian Hard Red Spring wheat production prospects declined significantly from a year earlier, as did prospects for corn and soybean production in these drought-affected areas.

Throughout June-July and into early August, U.S. grain markets had reflected this production uncertainty via volatile futures trade. From June 1st through July 28th, CME DEC 2017 corn futures traded in the range from \$3.74 per bushel (on 6/23) to \$4.17 ¼ (on 7/11), closing at \$3.88 on 7/28. During the same period, CME NOV 2017 soybean futures traded in the range from \$9.11 (on 6/23) to \$10.47 (on 7/11), closing at \$10.13 on 7/28. Also since June 1st, CME DEC 2017 Kansas HRW wheat futures traded in the range from \$4.67 ¾ (on 6/1) to \$6.02 (on 7/5), closing down to \$5.08 ¼ on 7/28. Spot cash grain basis levels in Kansas for corn, grain sorghum, wheat and soybeans all continue to be “weaker” or “wider” than in previous years through late July – reflecting large carryover stocks resulting from several consecutive years of large, successful production in Kansas and the U.S..

*The final “destination” of grain market prices in September-November 2017 is primarily dependent on the crop production-related results of the **August 10th, September 12th, October 12th, and November 9th USDA Crop Production and World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) reports.** Through the July 12th USDA reports the USDA has maintained its “large crops, and low prices” projections for corn, grain sorghum and soybeans. However, as actual USDA farmer and in-the-field crop surveys come available in the August 10th reports, there is much more likelihood of “supply shocks” occurring from either higher or lower than expected 2017 production estimates. These USDA reports could cause feedgrain, wheat and oilseed markets to be extremely volatile – in either or both directions! The Kansas wheat market continues to be plagued with large local carryover stocks and moderate-at-best protein levels. But 2017 U.S. and Canadian HRS wheat production problems have dramatically raised premiums for HRW wheat offered by processors in Wichita for available moderate-to-high protein supplies (i.e., from Ordinary to 11%, 12%, and 13% protein).*

*From the perspective of grain market information available in early August 2017, it would not be surprising to see at least moderately if not sharply **lower** U.S. corn production prospects from August 17-18th (i.e., the dates of the 2017 K-State Risk and Profit Conference) through September-November 2017. If this were to happen, then prices for all major U.S. grains and oilseeds would likely move at least sideways to somewhat higher from early August levels. For this **NOT** to happen, a major positive change in 2017 U.S. crop production prospects will have to occur from August 1st through 18th. While possible, the likelihood of lower U.S. grain prices in fall 2017 than a year earlier is considerably less than it was one year ago.*

Grain Market Outlook for 2017 - 2018

2017 KSU Risk & Profit Conference

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Topics to be discussed.....

1) **Financial Needs** that will *drive* Kansas Grain Markets

2) **Grain Market Analysis & Outlook**

- Corn & Grain Sorghum
- Wheat
- Soybeans & Cotton

3) **Economic “forces at work” in the grain markets**

& where they are taking us...

Financial Needs

that will “Drive”

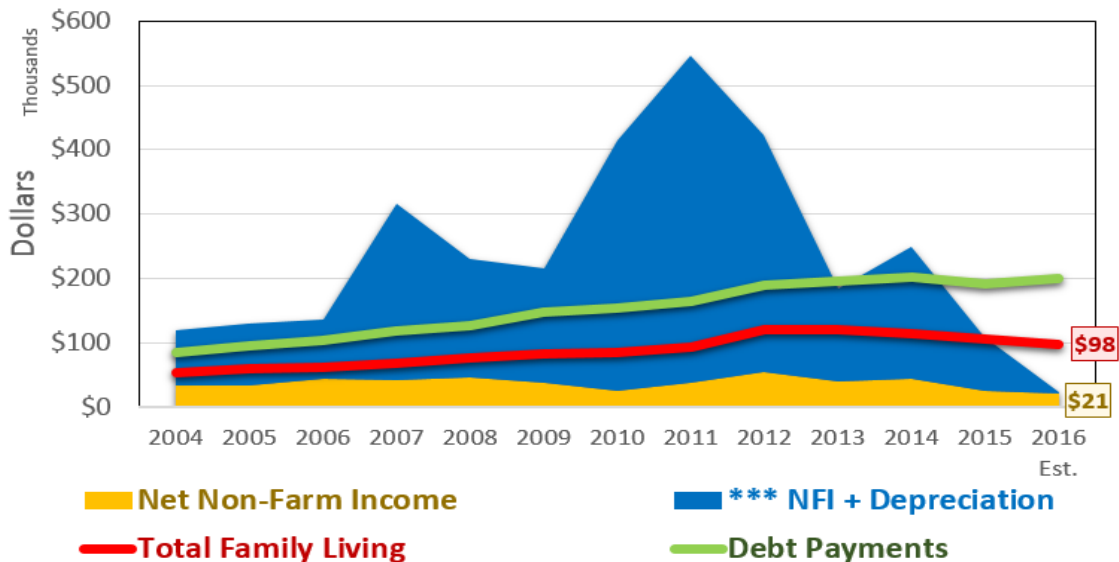
Kansas Farmer’s

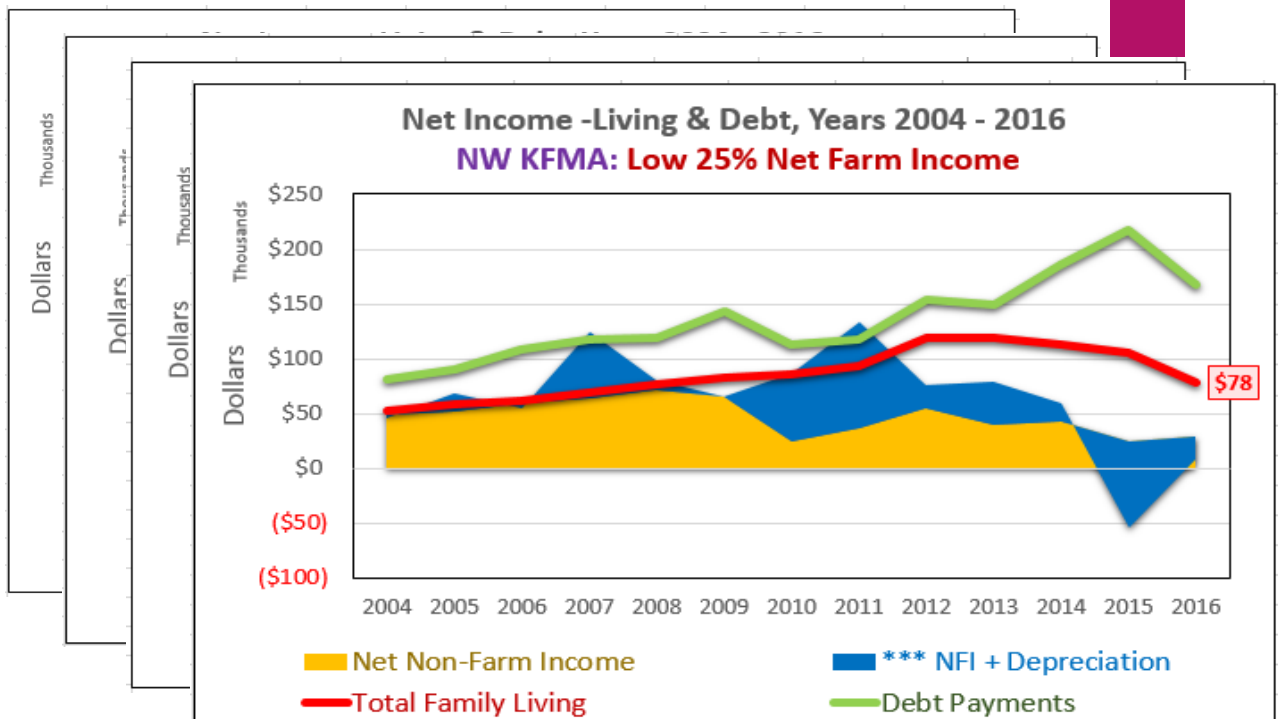
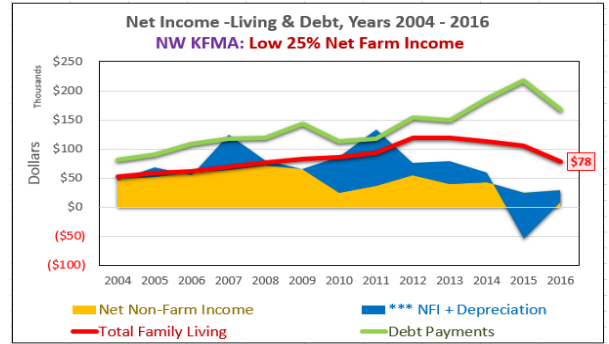
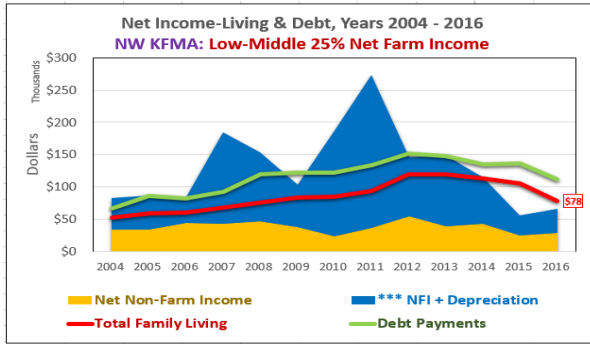
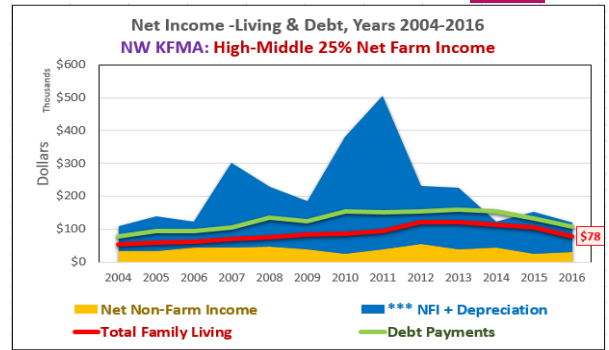
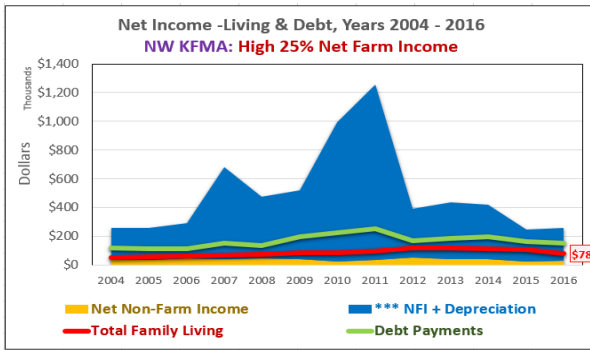
Grain Marketings

A farm level
“Cash Flow” CRISIS
that may FORCE
early grain marketings
in Fall-Winter 2017**

Net Income -Living & Debt, Years 2004 - 2016

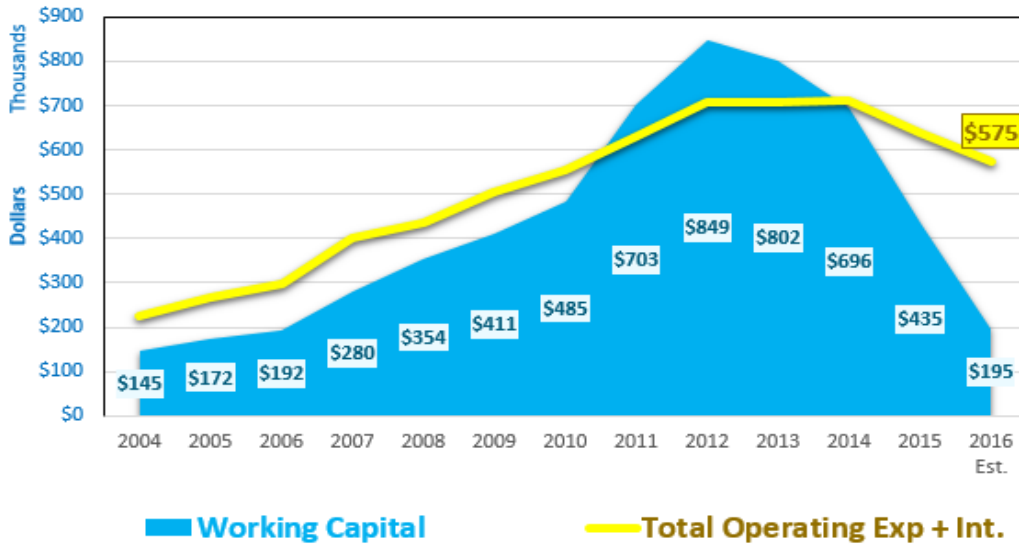
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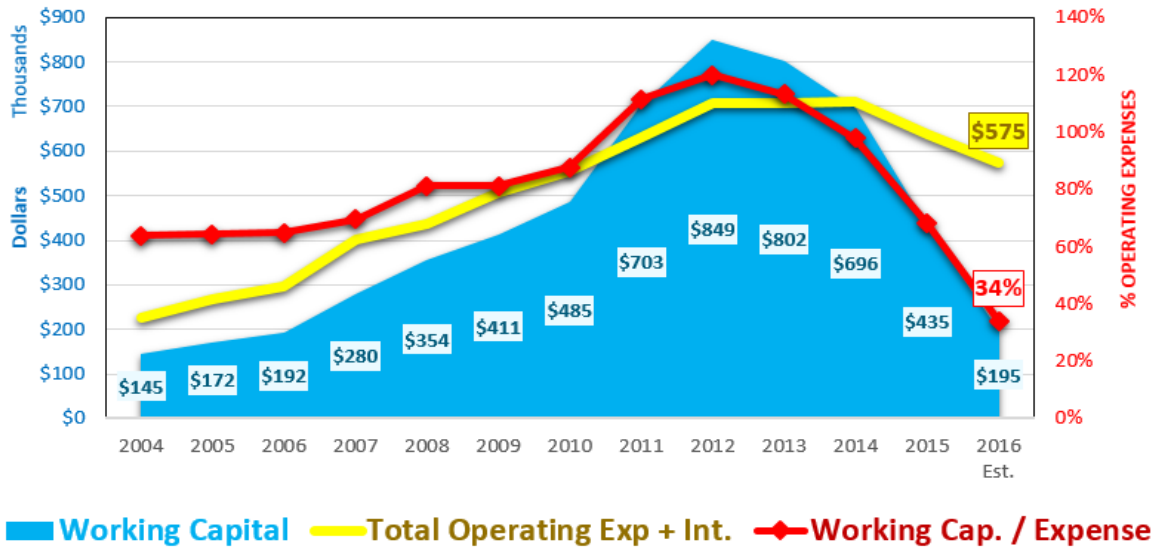
Working Capital vs Total Expense: Years 2004-2016

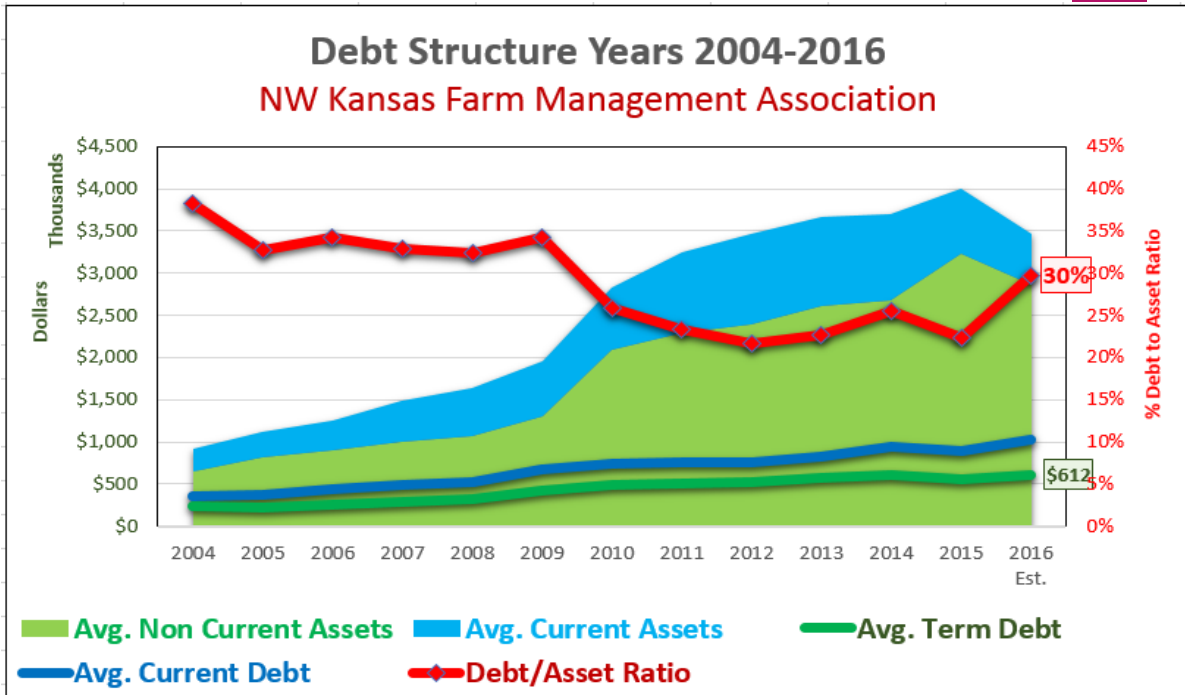
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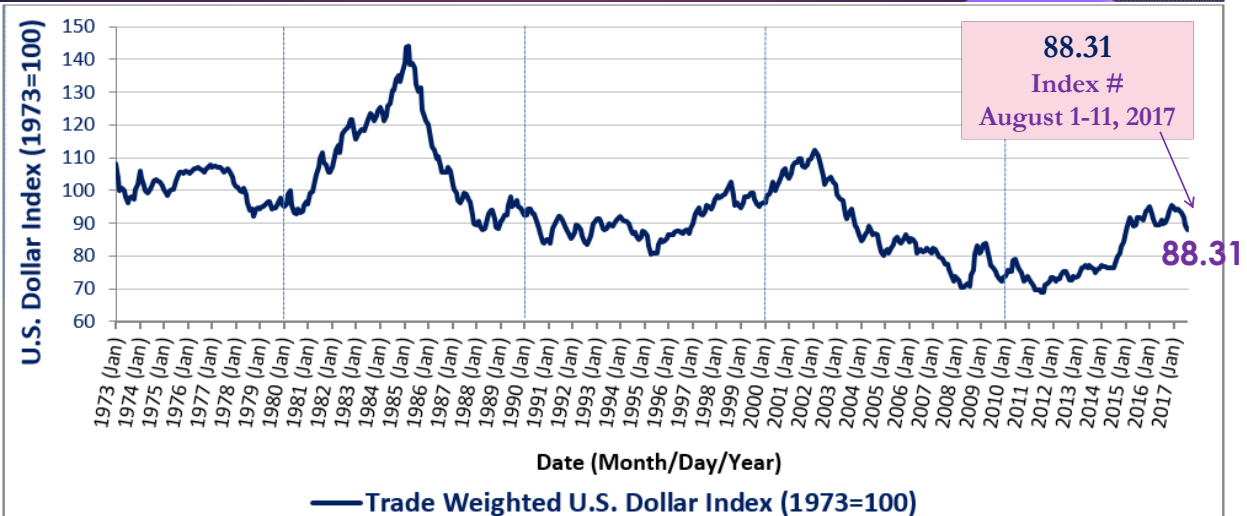
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U.S. Dollar Index (ICE Futures)

Monthly Chart: January 1973 through August 11, 2017



Corn & Sorghum Markets



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U.S. Corn & Sorghum Supply-Use

- Corn “*issues*” in the August USDA Crop Production Report
- Large Corn Stocks are limiting Feedgrain Price\$’s
- Low Price\$’s supporting “*New Crop*” MY 2017/18 Corn Use
 - **Livestock Feed** ^{2017/18} = 5.450 bln bu (*10 year high – vs 5.858 bb in 2007/08*)
 - **Ethanol** ^{2017/18} = 5.500 bln bu (*Record high – vs 5.425 bb last year*)
 - **Other FSI** ^{2017/18} = 1.500 bln bu (*4 year high – vs 1.424 bb in 2011/12*)
 - **Exports** ^{2017/18} = 1.850 bln bu (*vs 2.225 bb in ‘16/17 & 1.901 in ‘15/16*)

U.S. Corn & Sorghum Stocks.....

- Corn: “Large” Stocks & % S/U

- End Stocks 2017/18 ⇒ 2.273 bln bu (2nd highest since 1987/88)

- % Stocks/Use 2017/18 ⇒ 15.9% S/U (2nd highest since 2005/06)

- Grain Sorghum: “Low” Price\$’s (following low Corn Price\$’s)

- End Stocks 2017/18 ⇒ 52 Mln bu (2nd highest since 2008/09)

- % Stocks/Use 2017/18 ⇒ 14.1% S/U (Highest since 2005/06)



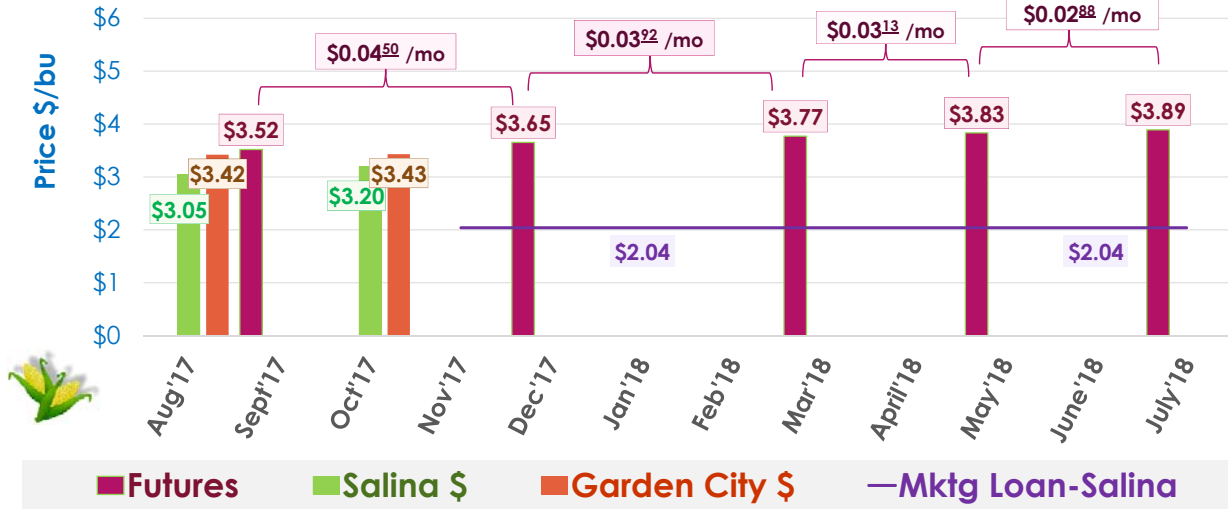
CME Corn Futures

Weekly Chart: June 2008 – July 2018 + 8/17/2017



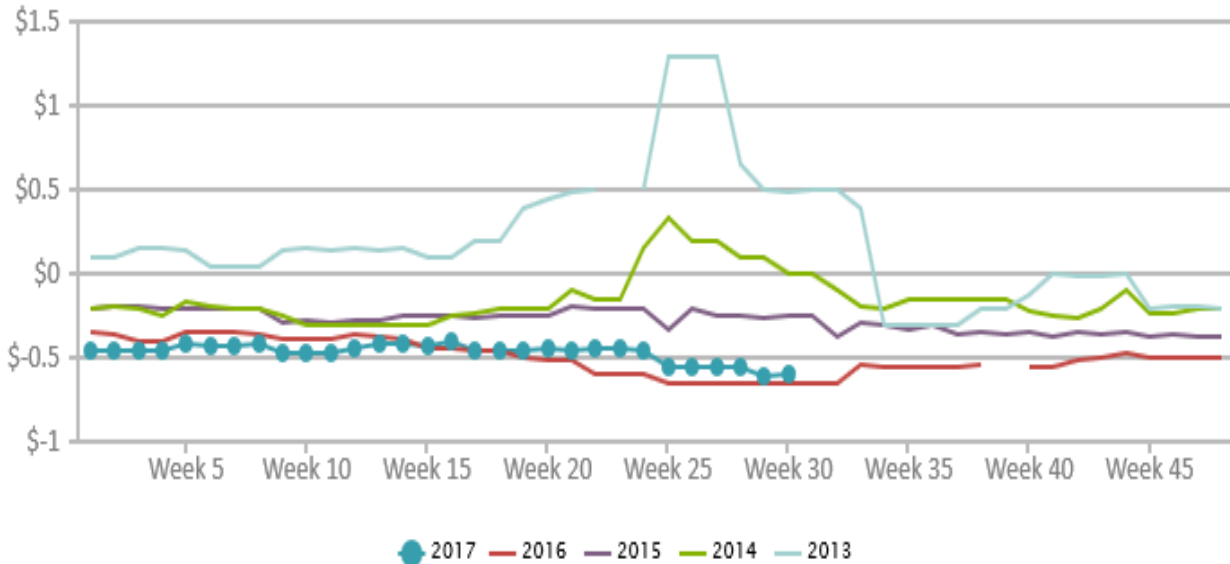
Corn Cash & Futures \$'s

Salina & Garden City, KS Local Elevators - August 17, 2017



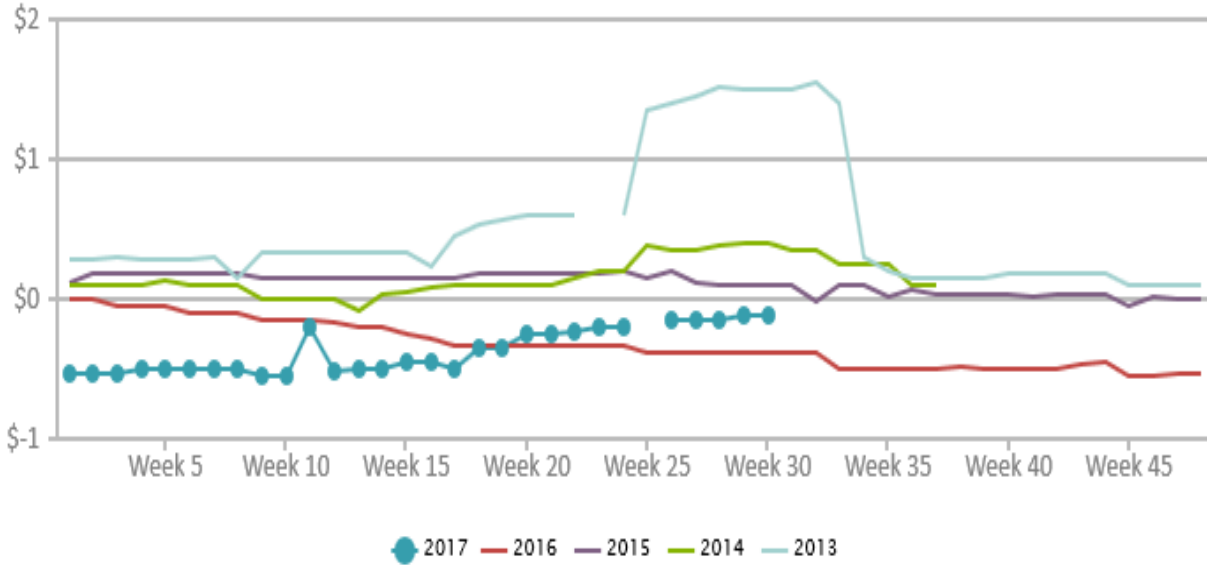
SALINA, KS: Corn Basis - CARGILL

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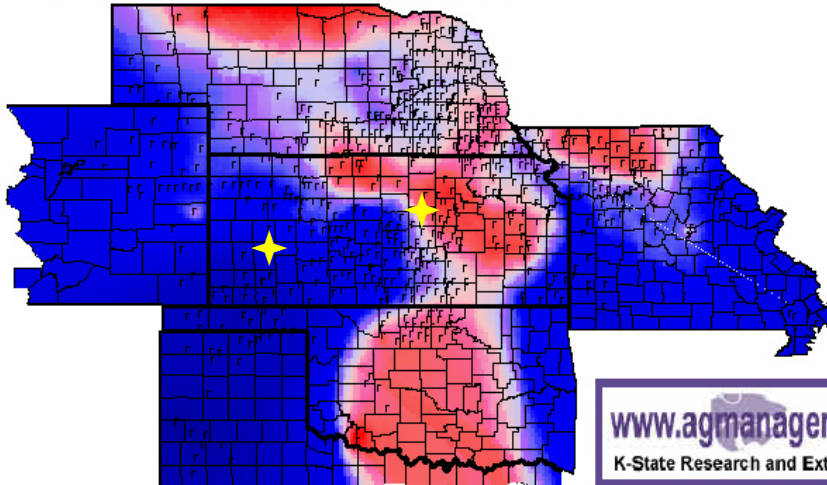
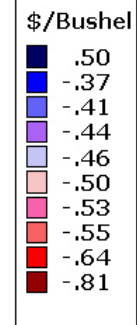
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Corn Basis, 08-09-2017

Basis = Cash Price - Nearby Futures Price

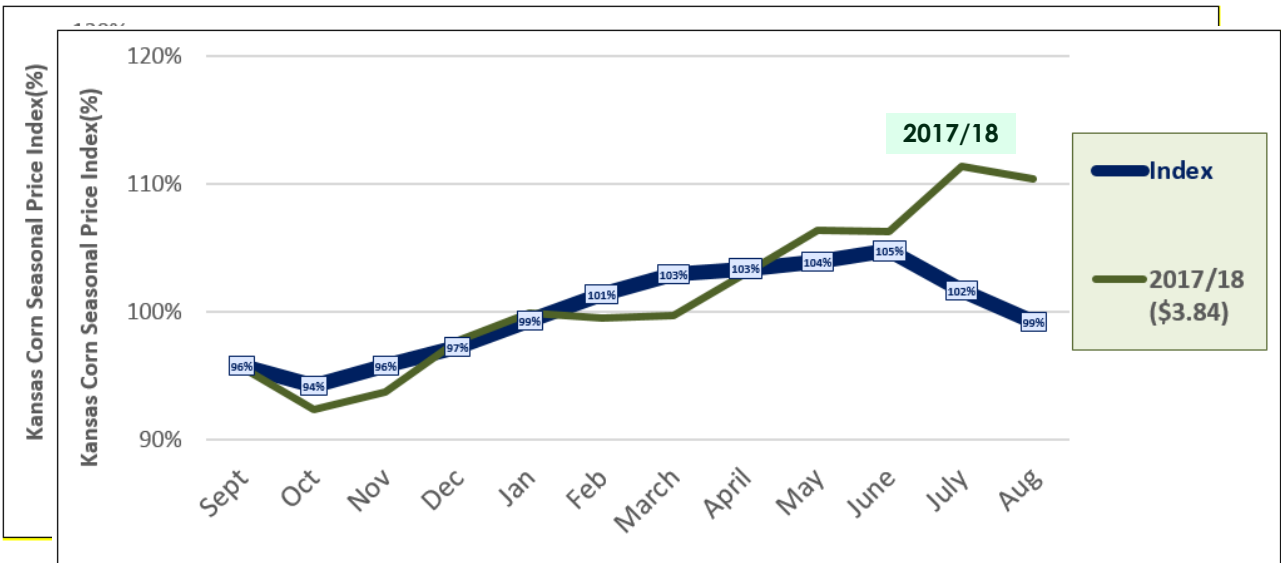
CBT Sept
Futures
Price: \$3.72



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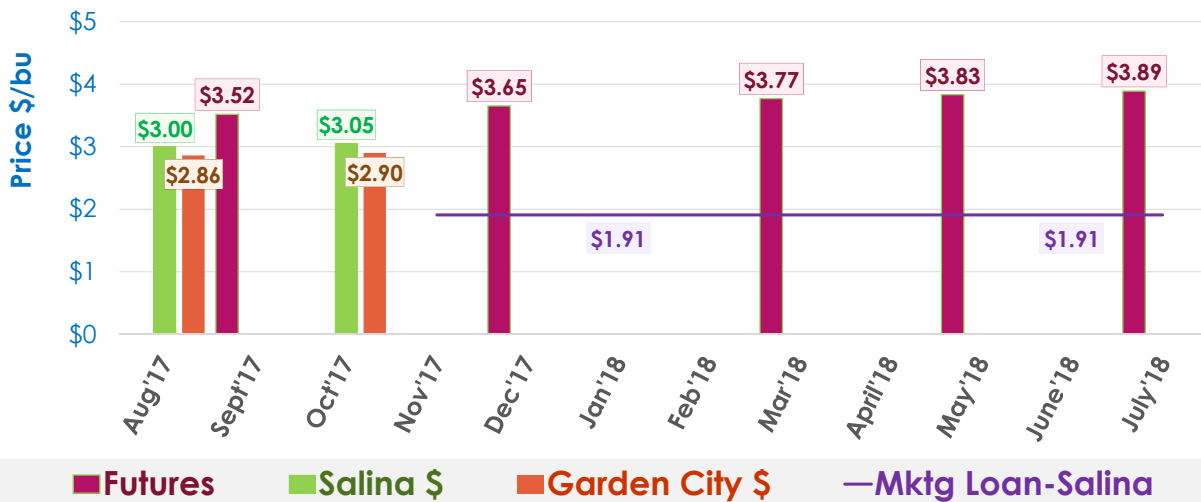
Kansas Corn Seasonal Cash \$ Index

Monthly: 17 yr Avg thru 2015/16 + MY 2016/17 & MY2017/18



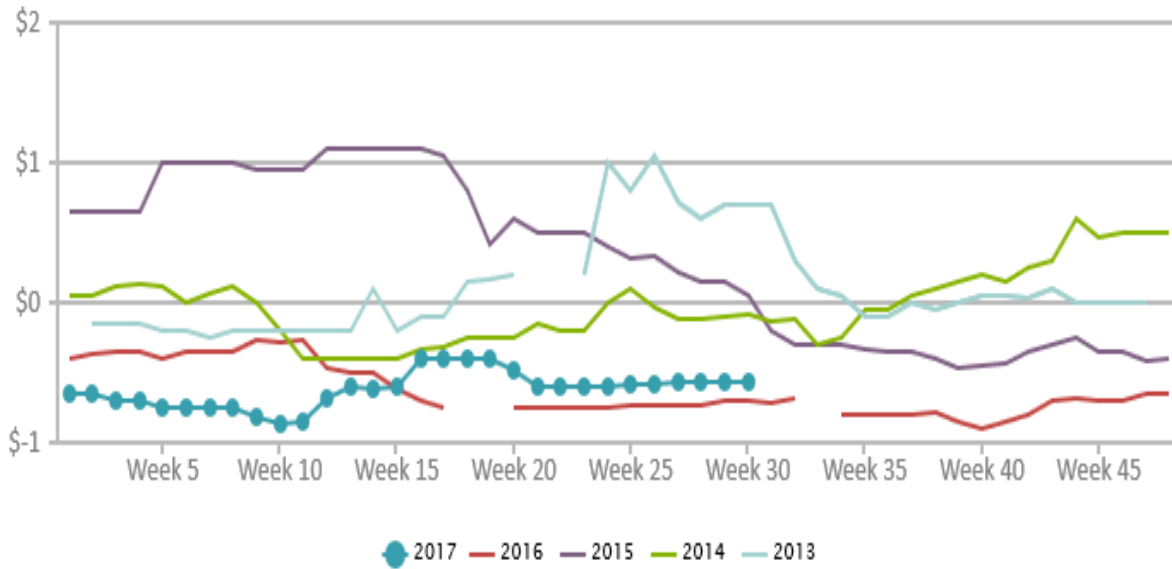
Sorghum Cash & Futures \$'s

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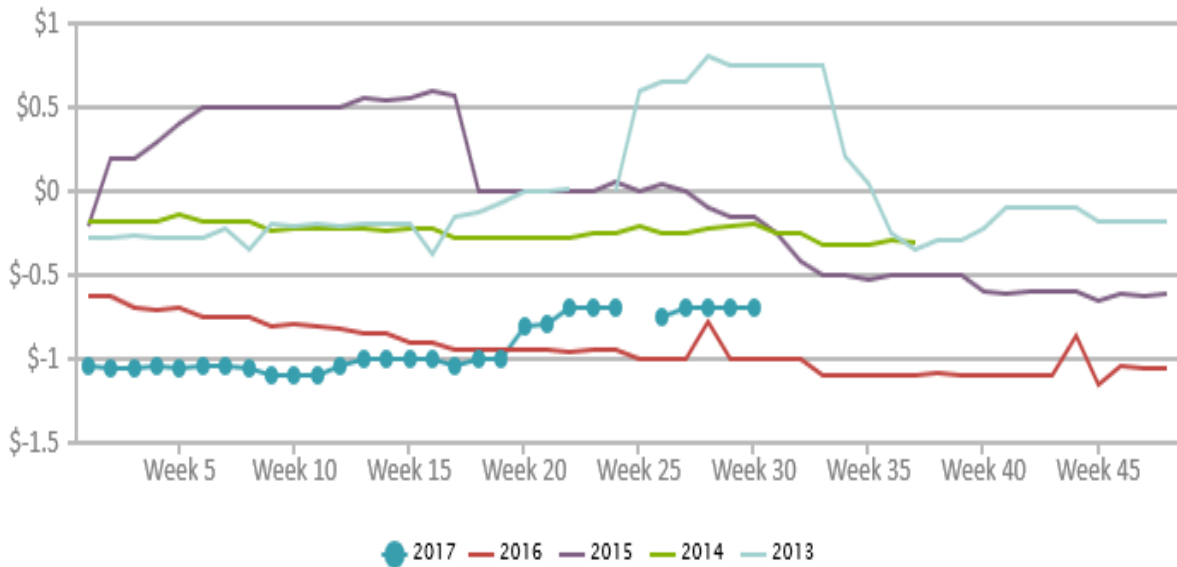
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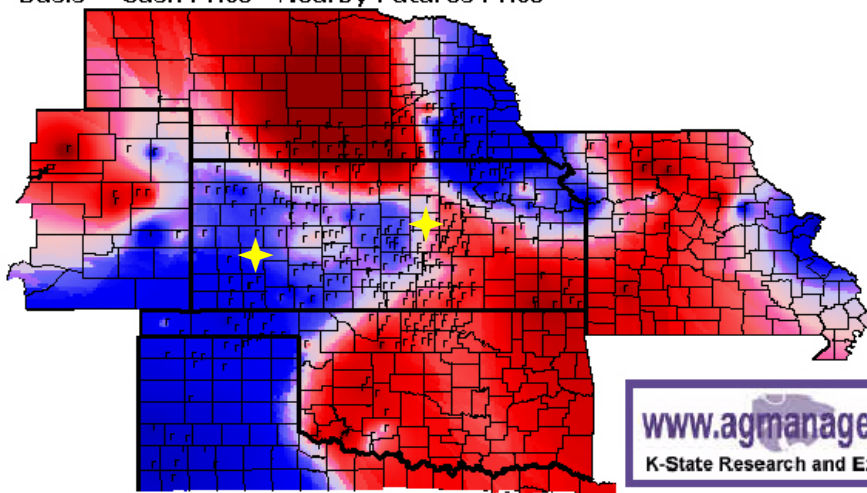
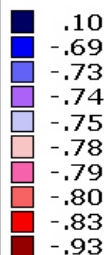


Grain Sorghum Basis, 08-09-2017

Basis = Cash Price - Nearby Futures Price

CBT Corn
Sept Futures
Price: \$3.72

\$/Bushel

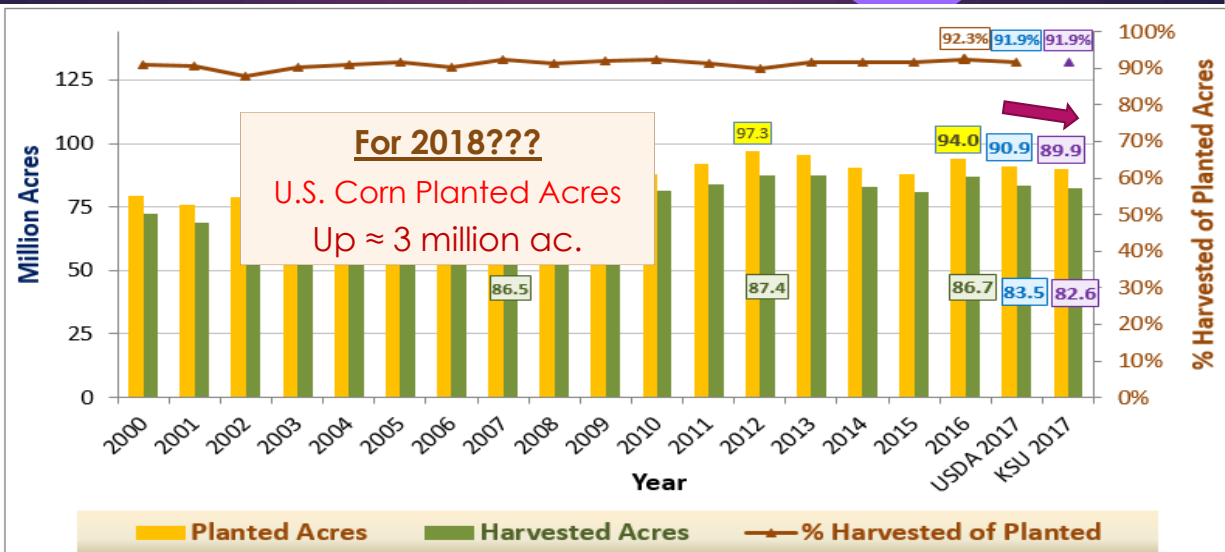


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U.S. Corn Supply and Demand

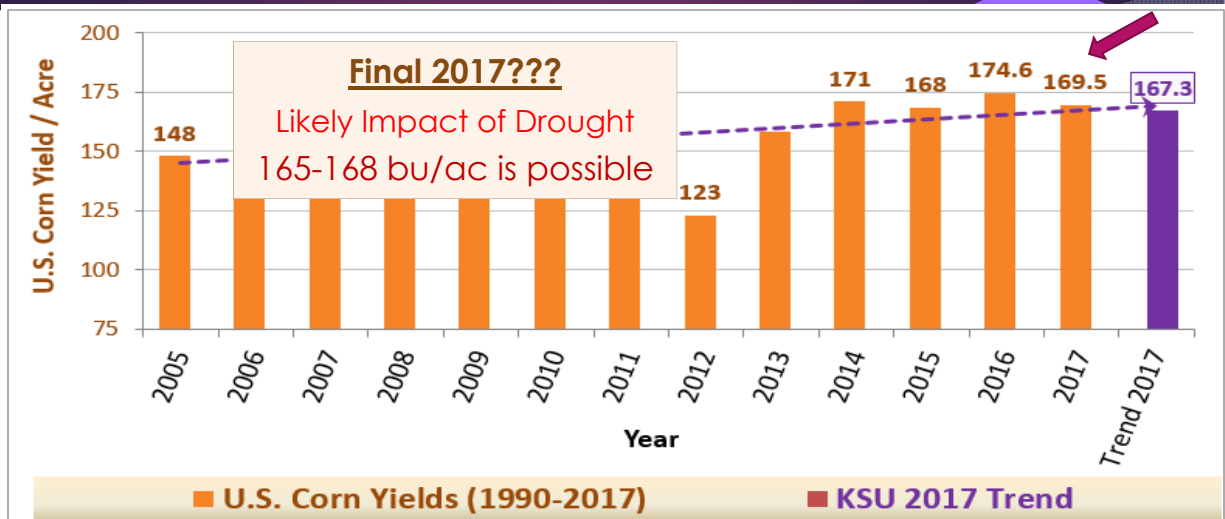
	2016/17 estimate	2017/18 forecast	Change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
Planted area (million acres)	94.0	90.9	--	-3.1
Harvested area (million acres)	86.7	83.5	--	-3.3
Yield (bushels per acre)	174.6	169.5	-1.2	-5.1
	<i>Million bushels</i>			
Beginning stocks	1,737	2,370	--	633
Production	15,148	14,153	-102	-995
Imports	55	50	--	-5
Total supply	16,940	16,573	-102	-367
Feed and residual	5,425	5,450	-25	25
Food, seed, and industrial	6,920	7,000	--	80
Ethanol	5,450	5,500	--	50
Domestic use	12,345	12,450	-25	105
Exports	2,225	1,850	-25	-375
Total use	14,570	14,300	-50	-270
Ending stocks	2,370	2,273	-52	-97
	<i>Percent</i>			
Stocks to use ratio	16.3	15.9	-0.3	-0.4
	<i>Dollars per bushel</i>			
Average market price	3.30/3.40	2.90/3.70	--	-0.05

U.S. Corn Acreage



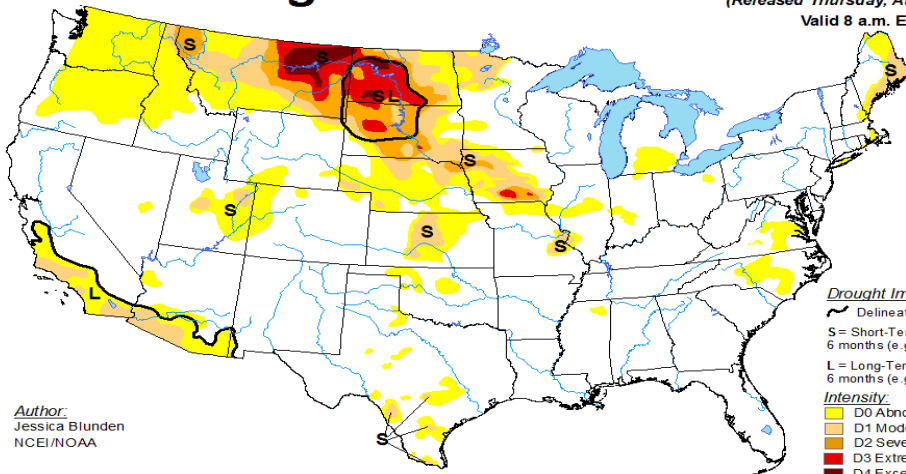
U.S. Corn Yields

USDA 2017 USDA Forecast = 169.5 bu/ac



U.S. Drought Monitor

August 15, 2017
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017)
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Author:
 Jessica Blunden
 NCEI/NOAA

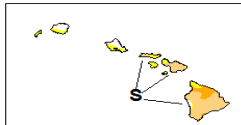
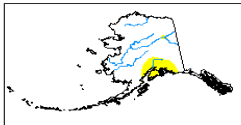
Drought Impact Types:

- Delineates dominant impacts
- S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>

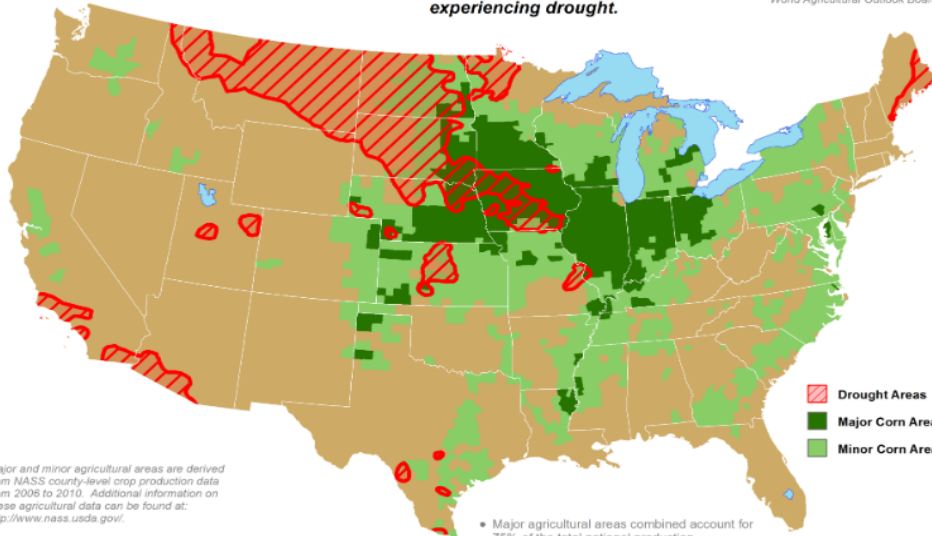
U.S. Corn Areas Experiencing Drought

Reflects August 15, 2017
 U.S. Drought Monitor data

Approximately 15% of corn
 production is within an area
 experiencing drought.



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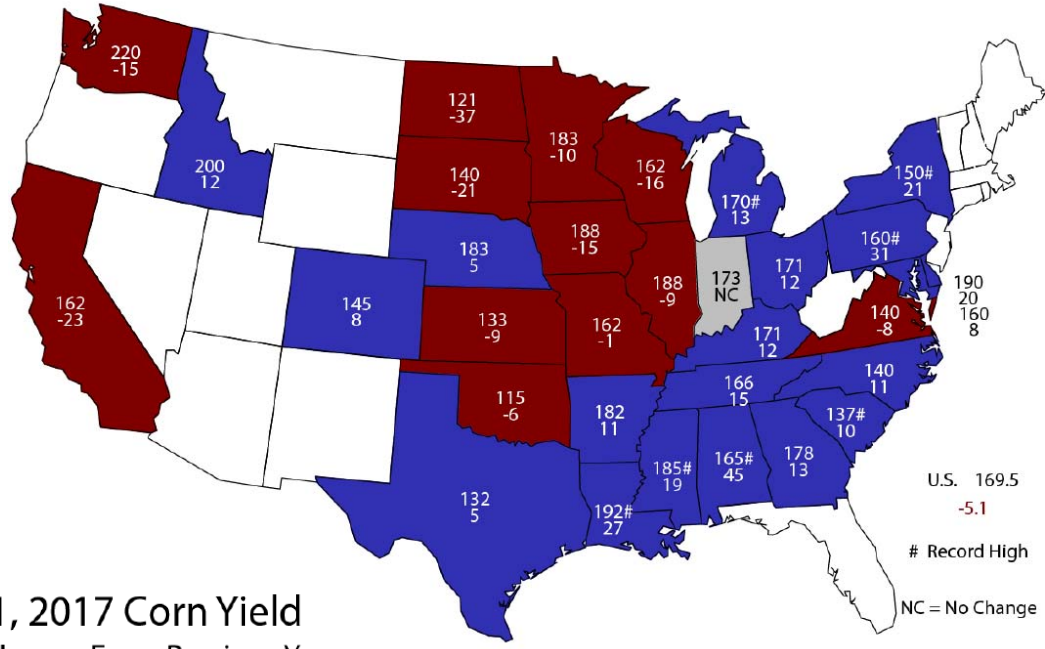


- Drought Areas
- Major Corn Area
- Minor Corn Area

Major and minor agricultural areas are derived from NASS county-level crop production data from 2005 to 2010. Additional information on these agricultural data can be found at: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/>.

Mapped drought areas are derived from the U.S. Drought Monitor product and do not depict the intensity of drought in any particular location. More information on the Drought Monitor can be found at: <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>.

- Major agricultural areas combined account for 75% of the total national production.
- Major and minor agricultural areas combined account for 99% of the total national production.



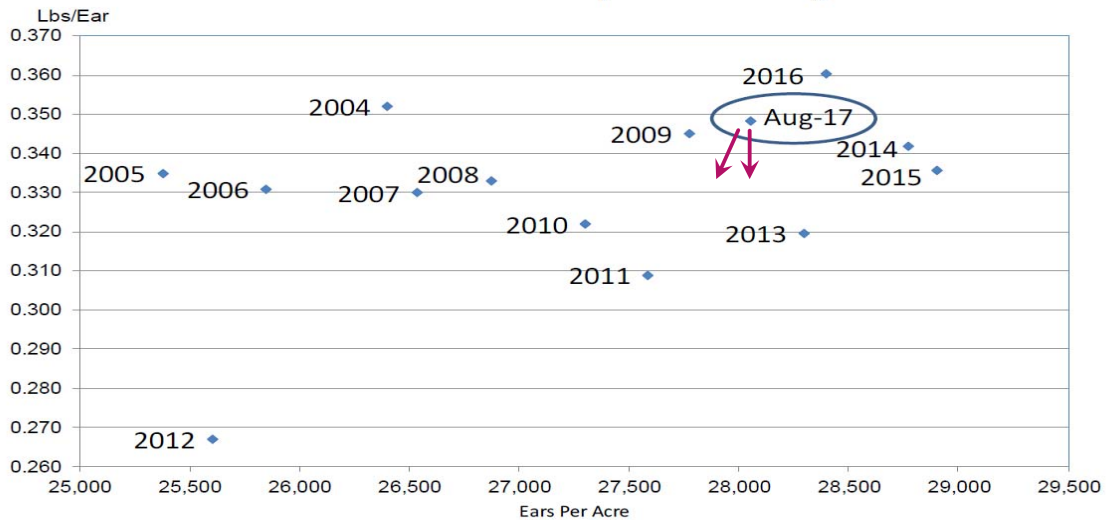
August 1, 2017 Corn Yield
Bushels and Change From Previous Year

U.S. 169.5
-5.1
Record High
NC = No Change

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Corn Objective Yield Region Ears Per Acre vs. Implied Ear Weight

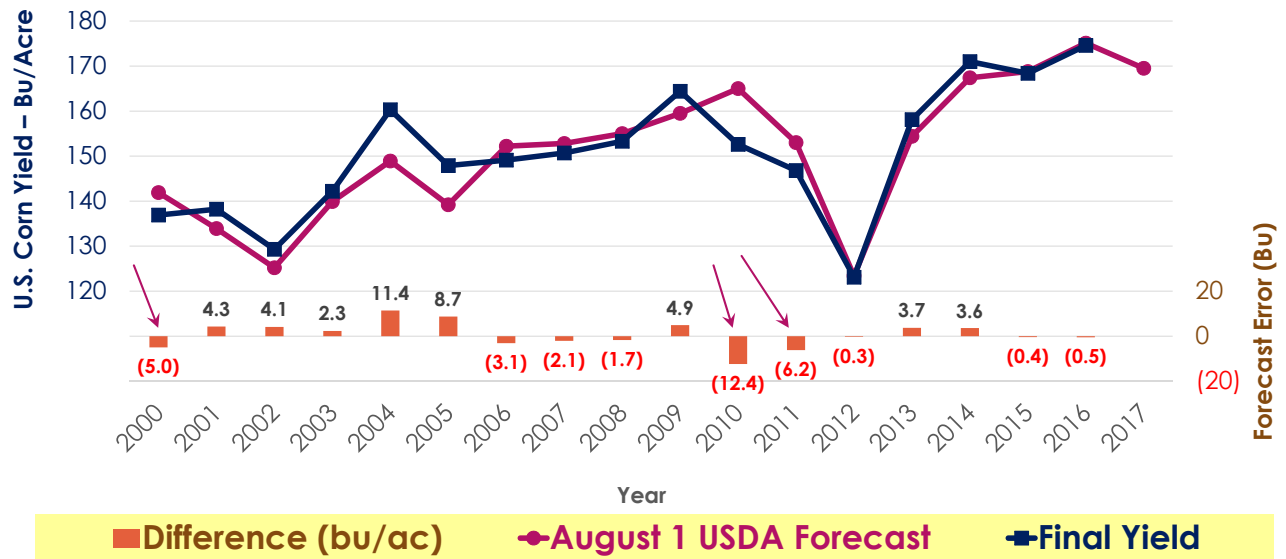


Implied Ear Weight = (Published Yield * 56) / Ears

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U.S. Corn Yields: 2000-2017

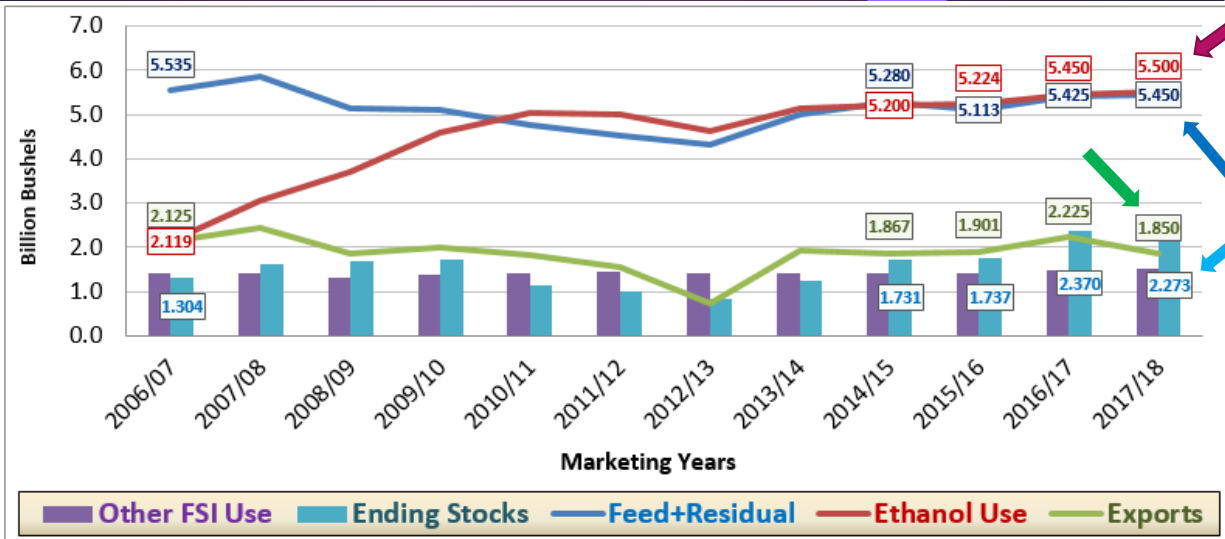
Accuracy of August 1st USDA Forecasts



U.S. Corn Production & Supplies



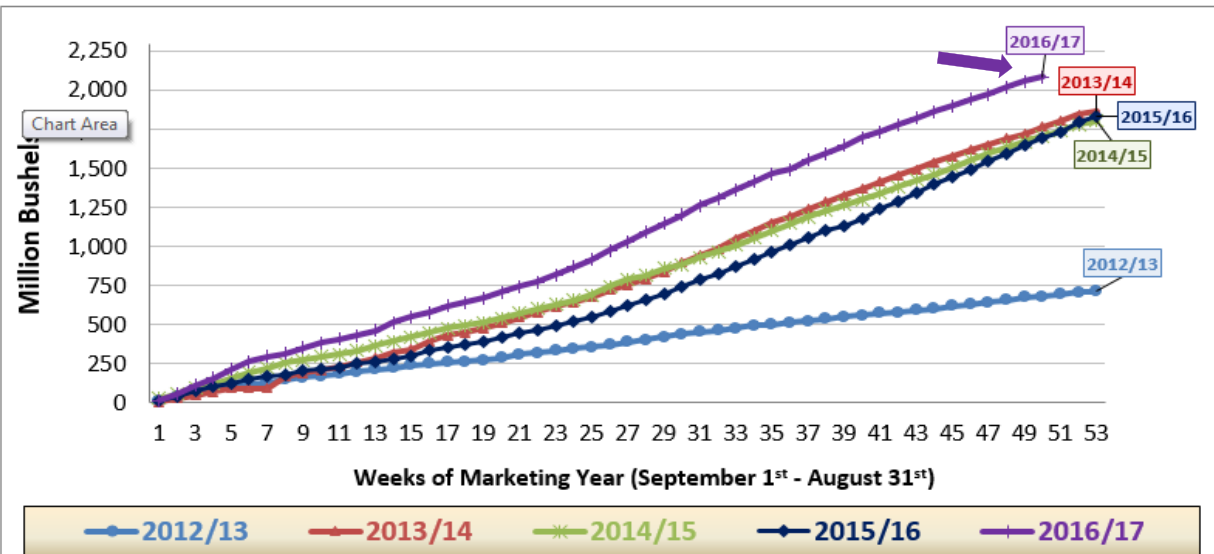
U.S. Corn Use – By Category



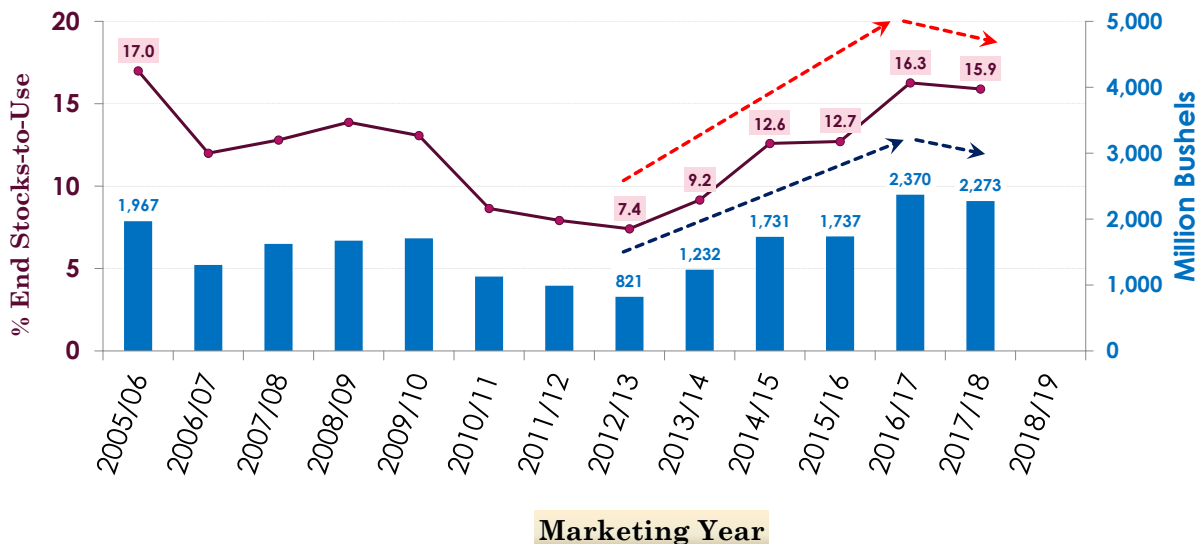
U.S. Meat Production and Prices

	2017 forecast	2017 change from July 12	2018 forecast	2018 change from July 12	Change from 2017
Production					
<i>Billion pounds</i>					
Beef	26.70	0.20	27.36	0.29	0.66
Pork	25.81	-0.03	26.74	--	0.93
Broilers	41.49	0.01	42.28	--	0.79
Turkey	5.98	-0.08	6.18	--	0.20
Total meat	100.74	0.10	103.32	0.30	2.58
Prices					
<i>Dollars/cwt</i>					
Steers	120.93	-2.00	116.25	-1.75	-4.68
Hogs	51.11	2.00	48.25	0.75	-2.86
<i>Cents/lb</i>					
Broilers	94.3	1.0	88.5	--	-5.8
Turkey	100.4	-2.5	104.5	-2.0	4.1

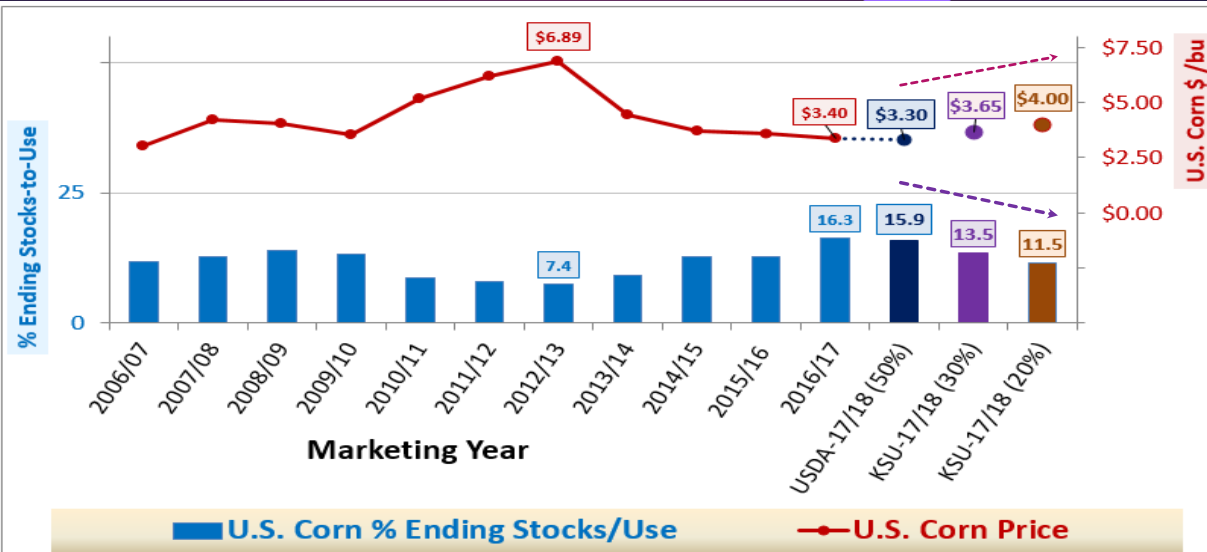
U.S. Corn Exports – Weekly thru August 10, 2017



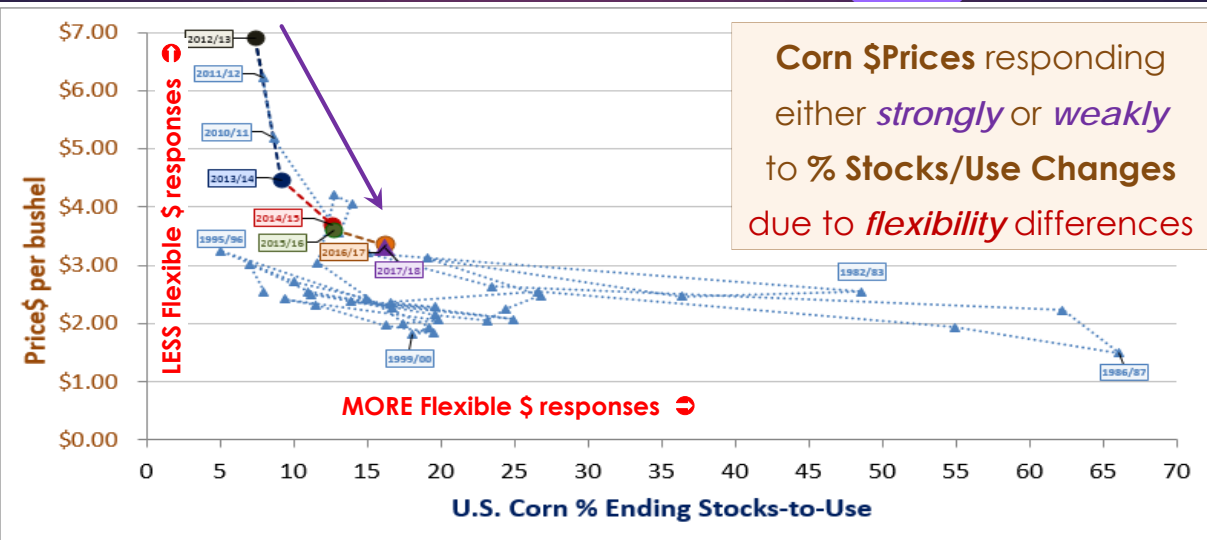
U.S. Corn Ending Stocks & % Stx/Use



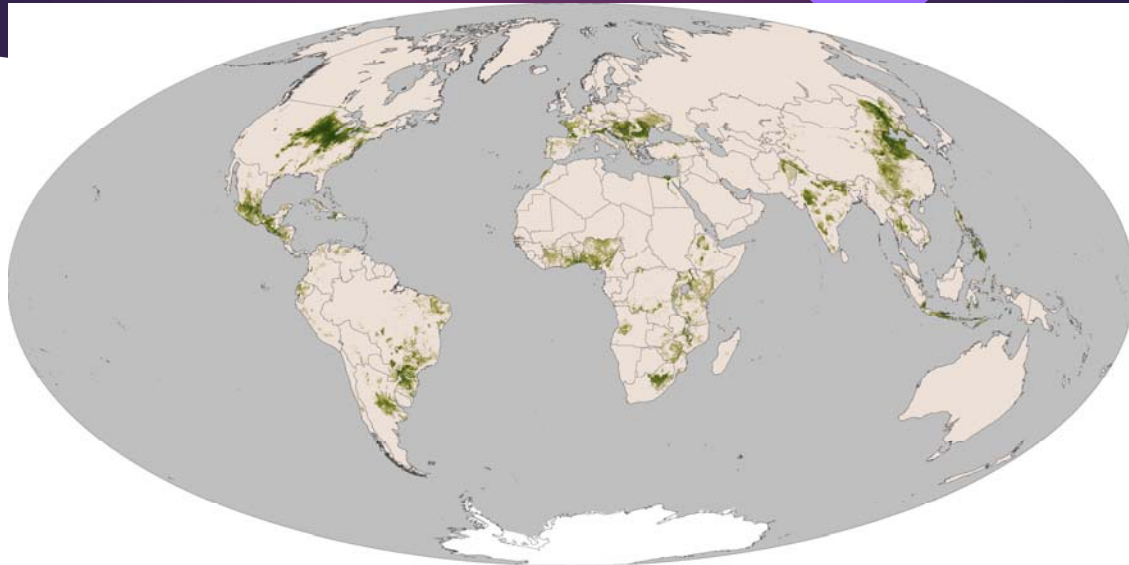
U.S. Corn % Stocks/Use vs Price\$



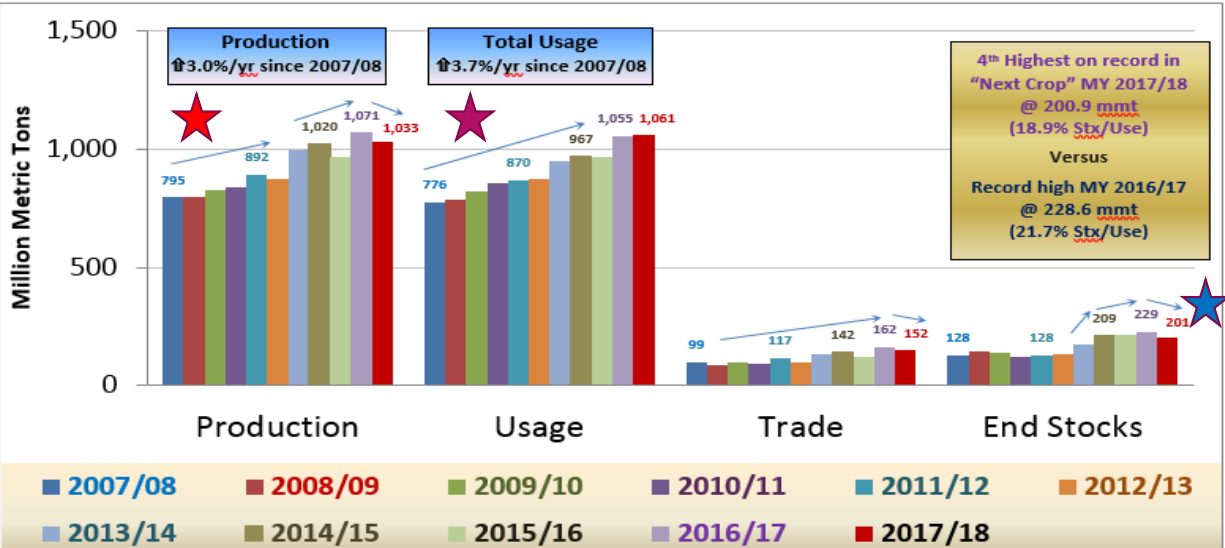
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World Corn (Maize) Production Regions



World Corn Supply, Use & Stocks



World Corn Production

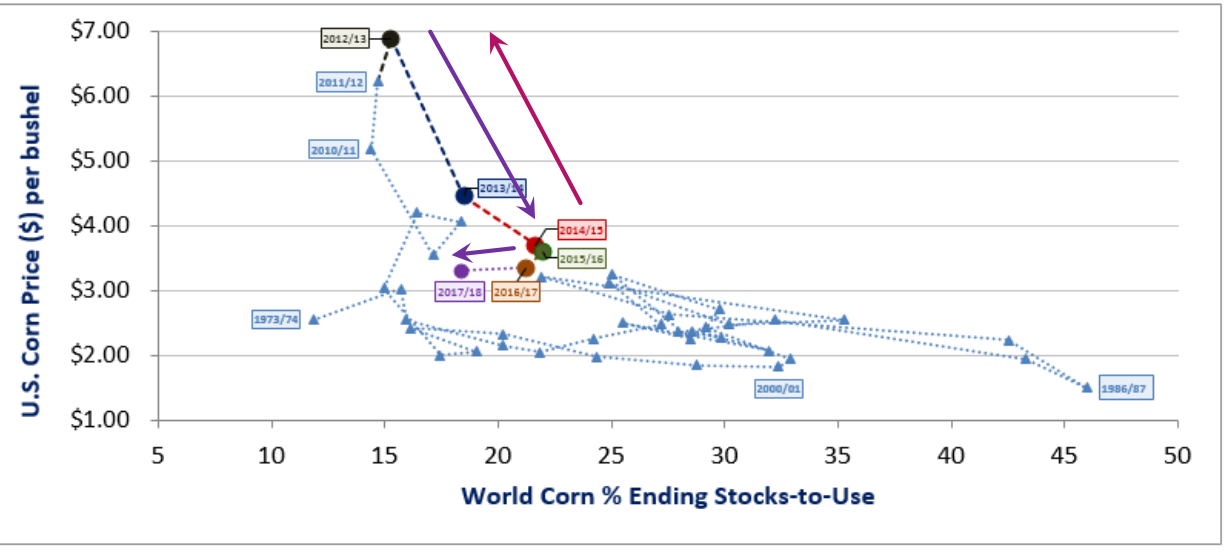
Country or Region	2016/17 estimate	2016/17 change from July 12	2017/18 forecast	2017/18 change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
<i>Million Tons</i>					
World	1,070.5	1.72	1,033.5	-3.43	-37.0
United States	384.8	--	359.5	-2.59	-25.3
Foreign	685.7	1.72	674.0	-0.83	-11.8
Argentina	41.0	--	40.0	--	-1.0
Brazil	98.5	1.50	95.0	--	-3.5
Mexico	27.4	--	25.0	--	-2.4
Canada	13.2	--	13.9	-0.50	0.7
European Union	61.1	0.43	60.0	-1.59	-1.1
Serbia	7.6	--	6.6	-0.40	-1.0
FSU-12	47.4	--	49.3	0.50	1.9
Ukraine	28.0	--	28.5	--	0.5
Russia	15.3	--	16.5	0.50	1.2
South Africa	16.7	0.30	12.5	--	-4.2
China	219.6	--	215.0	--	-4.6
India	26.0	--	25.0	--	-1.0

World Corn Supply and Use

	2016/17 estimate	2017/18 forecast	Change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
<i>Million Tons</i>				
Beginning stocks	213.5	228.6	1.10	15.1
Production	1,070.5	1,033.5	-3.43	-37.0
Total Supply	1,284.0	1,262.1	-2.32	-21.9
Feed use	630.8	651.3	-0.84	20.5
Total use	1,055.4	1,061.2	-2.38	5.8
Trade	162.4	152.0	-0.44	-10.4
Ending Stocks	228.6	200.9	0.06	-27.7

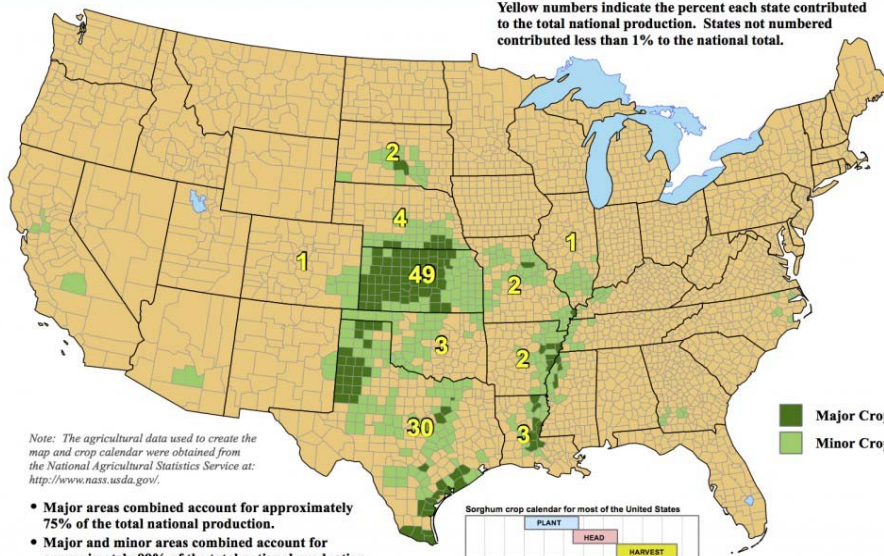
U.S. Corn Price \$ vs World % Stocks-to-Use

MY 1973/74 through "New Crop" MY 2016/17



United States: Sorghum

Yellow numbers indicate the percent each state contributed to the total national production. States not numbered contributed less than 1% to the national total.



Note: The agricultural data used to create the map and crop calendar were obtained from the National Agricultural Statistics Service at: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/>.

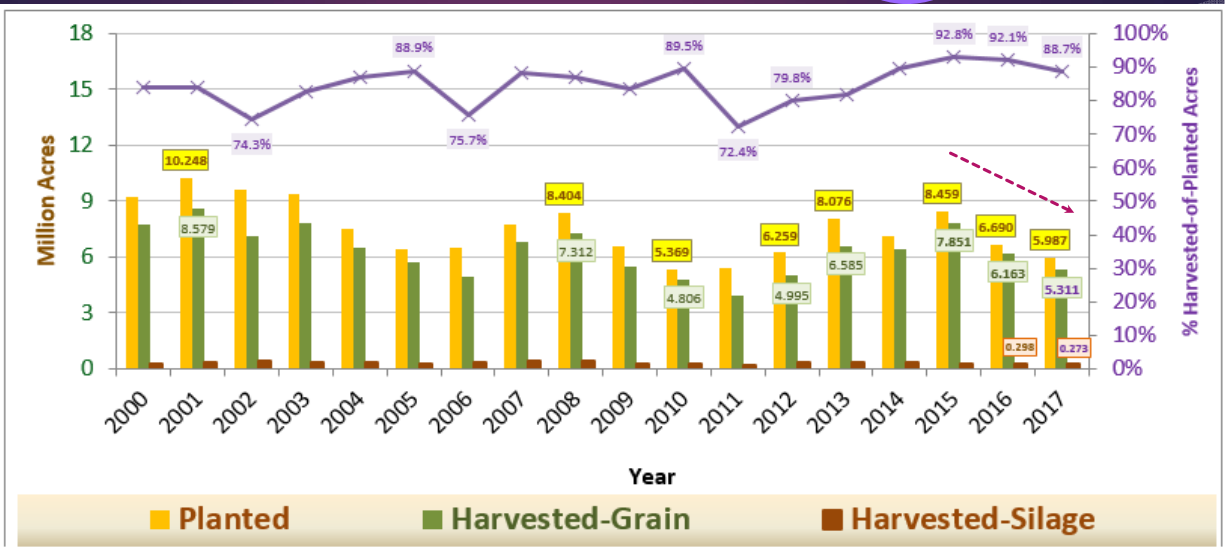
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Sorghum crop calendar for most of the United States



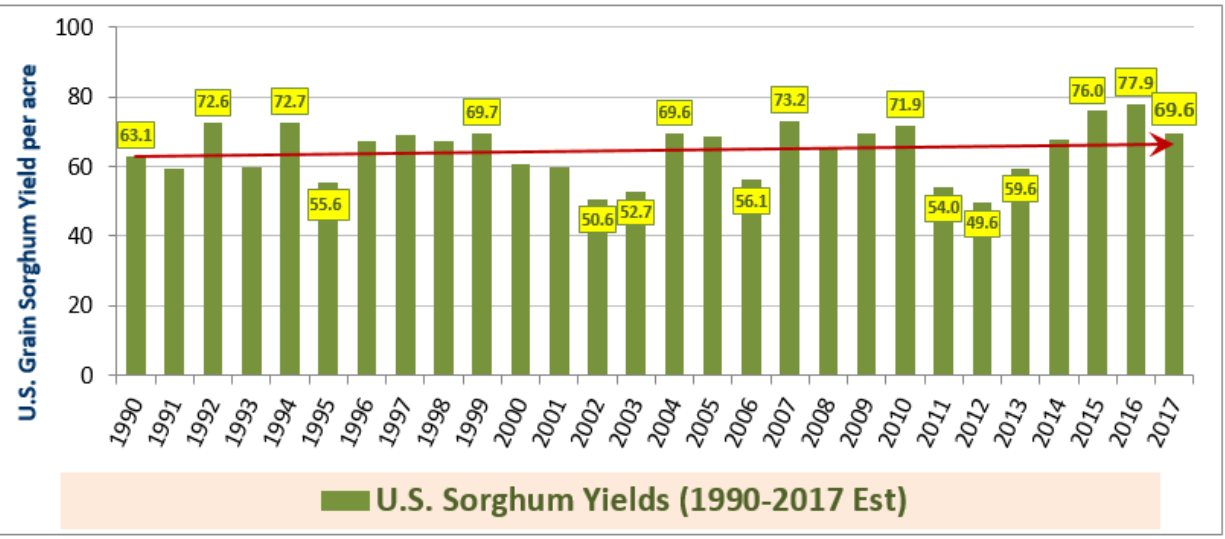
Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
Crop calendar dates are based upon NASS crop progress data from 2006-2010. The field activities and crop development stages illustrated in the crop calendar represent the average time period when national progress advanced from 10 to 90 percent.

U.S. Sorghum Acreage



U.S. Sorghum Yields

USDA 2016 USDA Forecast = 69.6



Wheat Markets



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U.S. Wheat Supply-Use

- Wheat “issues” in the August USDA Crop Production Report
- Large U.S. & World Stocks continue to *limit* Wheat Price\$’s **
- “Moderate” Exports *limiting* **2017/18** Wheat Disappearance
 - **Exports** ^{2017/18} = 975 mln bu (778 mb – 1.291 bb range since 2008/09)
 - **Food Use** ^{2017/18} = 950 mln bu (Level Use since MY 2012/13)
 - **Feed Use+** ^{2017/18} = 150 mln bu (Down from 228-365 mb in 2012 - 2013)
 - **HRW Exports** ^{2017/18} = 410 mln bu (Down from 455 mb in MY 2016/17)

U.S. Wheat Stocks.....

- **All U.S. Wheat: “Large” Stocks** (but *declining*)
 - **End Stocks** ^{2017/18} ⇒ 933 mln bu (1.184 bb last year)
 - **% Stocks/Use** ^{2017/18} ⇒ 43.6% S/U (53.4% S/U last year)
- **U.S. HRW Wheat: “Large” Carryovers** (but also *declining*)
 - **End Stocks** ^{2017/18} ⇒ 453 mln bu (593 mb last year)
 - **% Stocks/Use** ^{2017/18} ⇒ 50.1% S/U (63.2% S/U last year)

U.S. Wheat Quality & Grade

- **U.S. HRW Wheat** ²⁰¹⁷ ⇒ **11.4% protein**, 60.4 lb test, 1.2% defects
 - Versus 11.2% protein, 60.7 lb test wt, 1.2% defects in 2016
- **U.S. SRW Wheat** ²⁰¹⁷ ⇒ **9.5% protein**, 58.8 lb test, 1.7% defects
 - Versus 9.4% protein, 58.6 lb test wt, 1.4% defects in 2016
- **U.S. Soft White** ²⁰¹⁷ ⇒ **9.6% protein**, 61.1 lb test, 0.6% defects
 - Versus 10.1% protein, 60.8 lb test wt, 0.6% defects in 2016
- **U.S. Spring Wheat** ²⁰¹⁷ ⇒ **___% protein**, ___ lb test, ___% defects
 - Versus 14.2% protein, 61.3 lb test wt, 0.9% defects in 2016

World Wheat Market Prospects:

Large Supplies \Rightarrow A “Buyer’s Market”

- **Record Supplies & Large Usage Forecast for 2017/18**
 - 4 consecutive record high World wheat crops
- **Varying 2017/18 Crop Prospects by Country**
- **Still a “buyer’s market” for World Wheat Trade....but....**
 - *Uncertainty* about **U.S. & World Crops** in 2017-2018?
 - **BUT** a *tight* “World-Less-China” supply situation has emerged***

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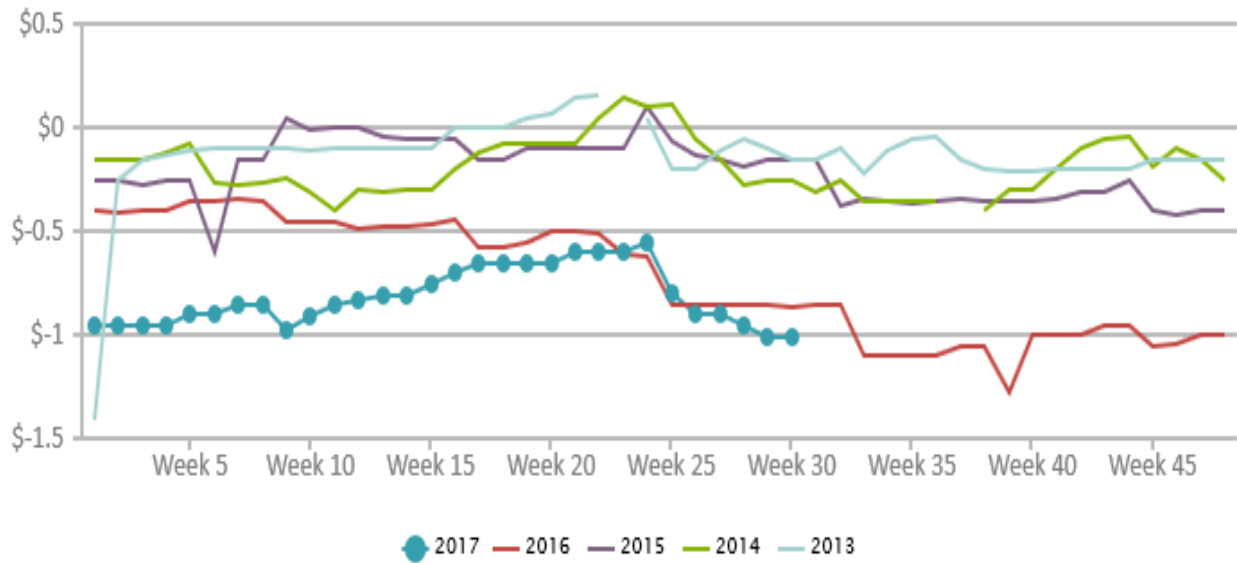
CME Kansas Hard Red Winter Wheat

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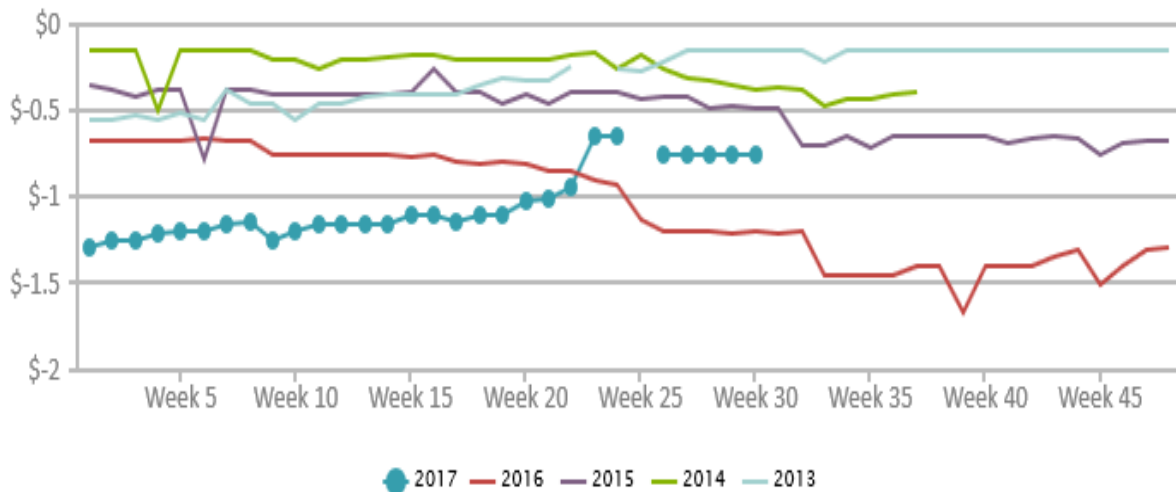
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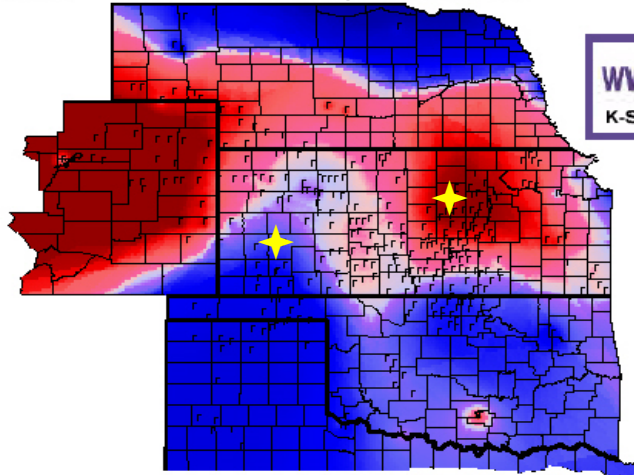
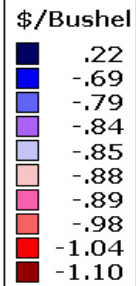
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Wheat Basis, 08-09-2017

Basis = Cash Price - Nearby Futures Price

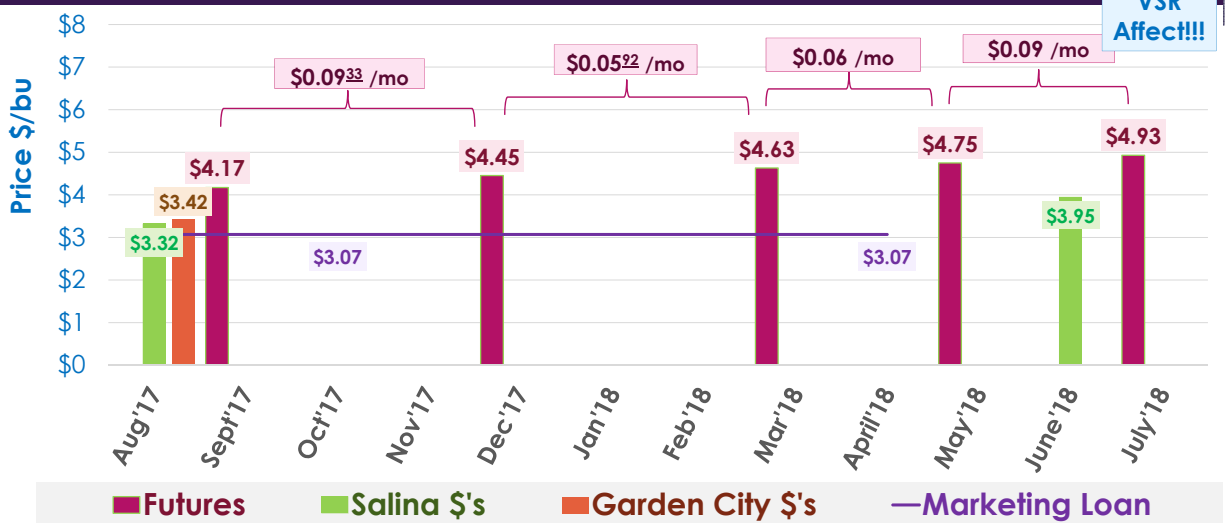
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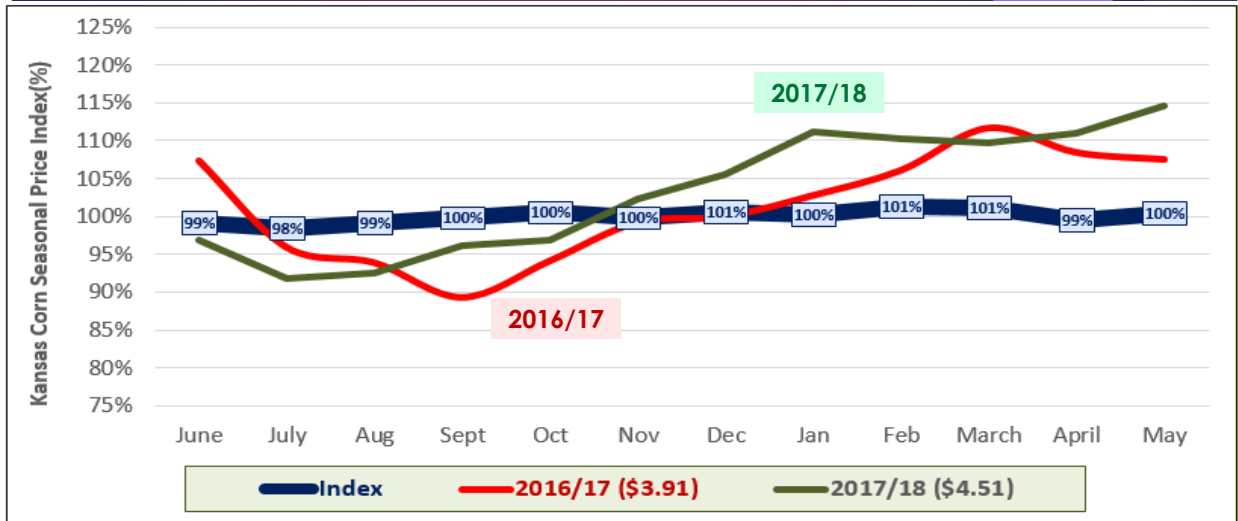
Wheat Cash & HRW Wheat Futures

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Kansas Wheat Seasonal Cash \$ Index

Monthly: 17 yr Avg thru 2015/16 + MY 2016/17 & MY2017/18



U.S. Wheat Supply and Demand

	2016/17 estimate	2017/18 forecast	Change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
Planted area (million acres)	50.2	45.7	--	-4.5
Harvested area (million acres)	43.9	38.1	--	-5.8
Yield (bushels per acre)	52.6	45.6	-0.5	-7.0
	<i>Million bushels</i>			
Beginning stocks	976	1,184	--	209
Production	2,310	1,739	-21	-570
Imports	118	150	10	32
Total supply	3,403	3,074	-11	-330
Food use	949	950	-5	1
Seed	61	66	--	5
Feed and residual	154	150	--	-4
Domestic use	1,164	1,166	-5	2
Exports	1,055	975	--	-80
Total use	2,219	2,141	-5	-78
Ending stocks	1,184	933	-6	-252
	<i>Percent</i>			
Stocks to use ratio	53.4	43.6	-0.2	-9.8
	<i>Dollars per bushel</i>			
Average market price	3.89	4.40/5.20	--	0.91

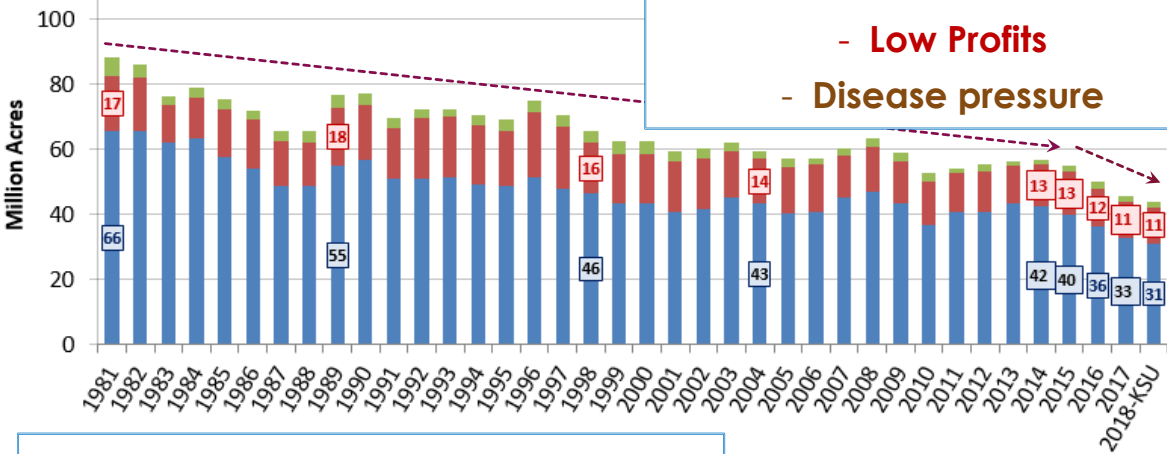
U.S. Wheat Seeded Acreage



2018 Winter Wheat Acres ↓5%

- Low Profits

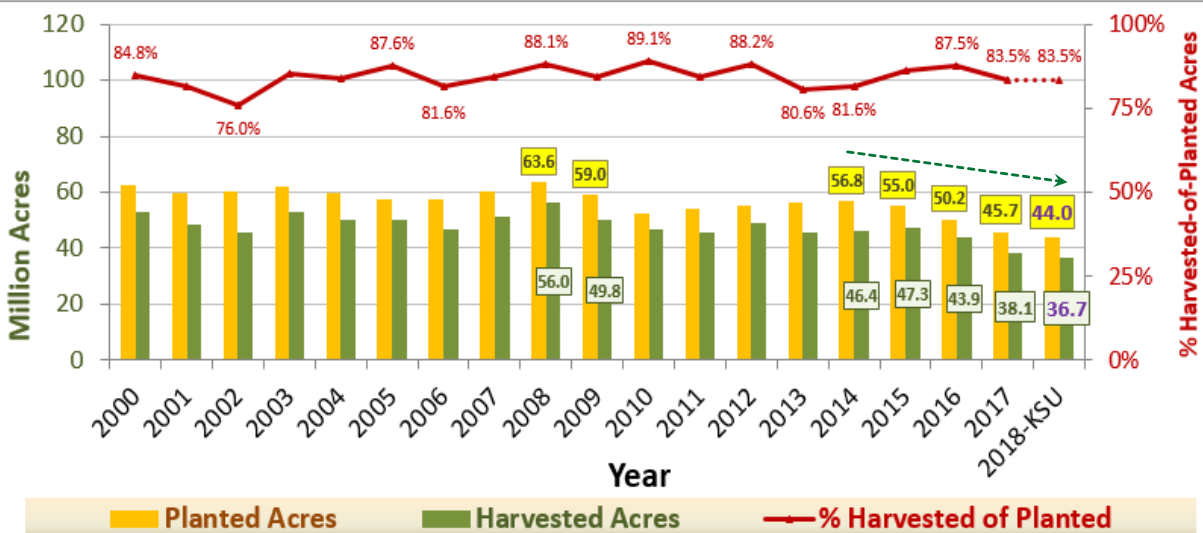
- Disease pressure



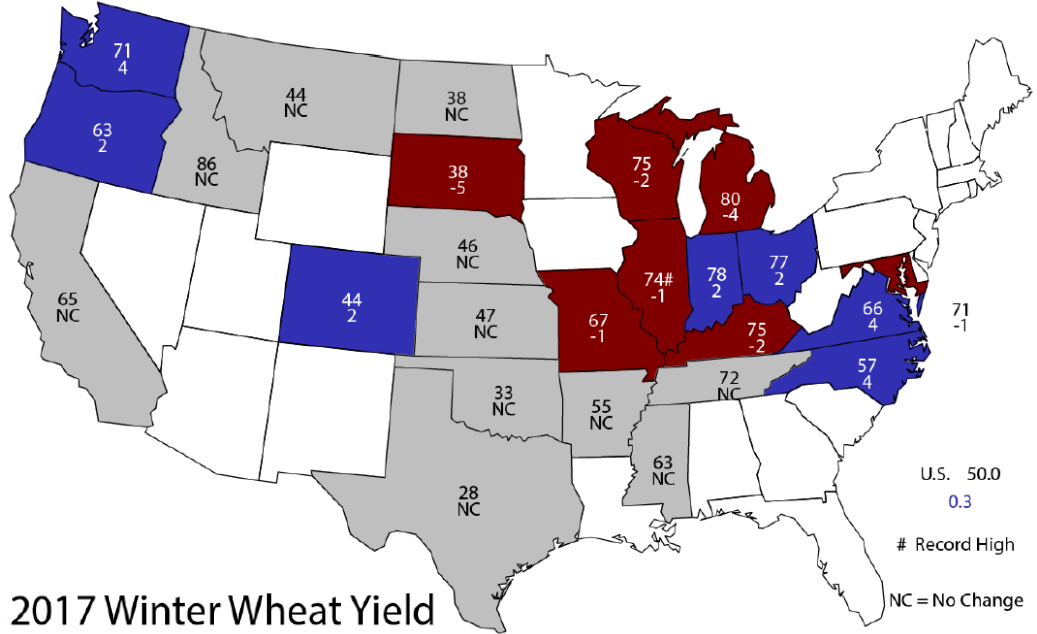
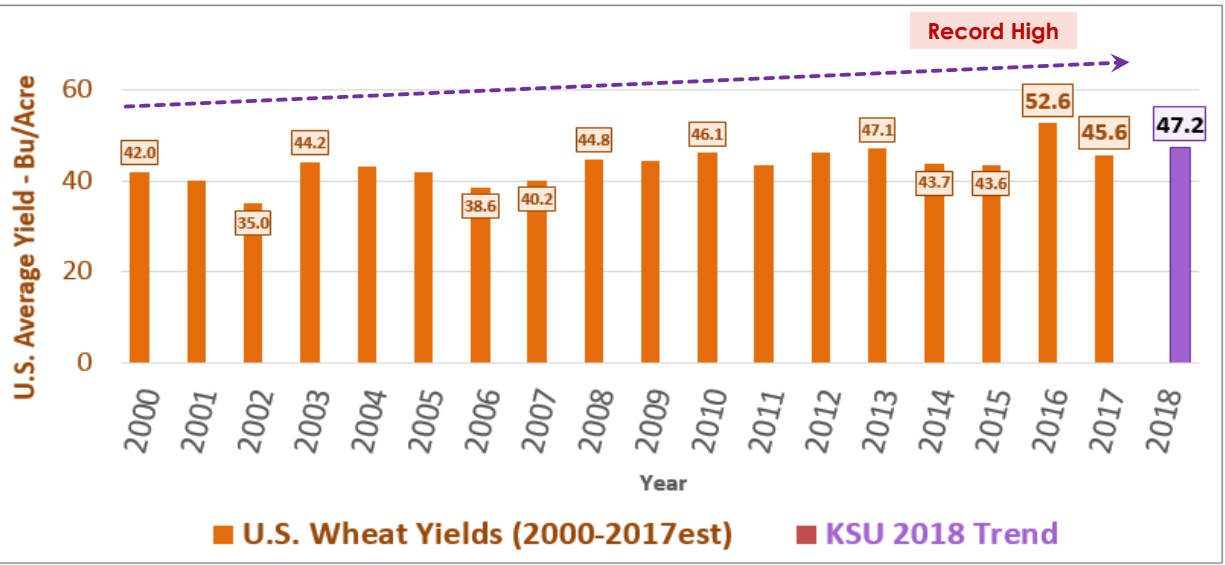
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Winter Wheat (HRS, SW) Durum

U.S. Wheat Acreage



U.S. Wheat Yields



August 1, 2017 Winter Wheat Yield
Bushels and Change From Previous Month

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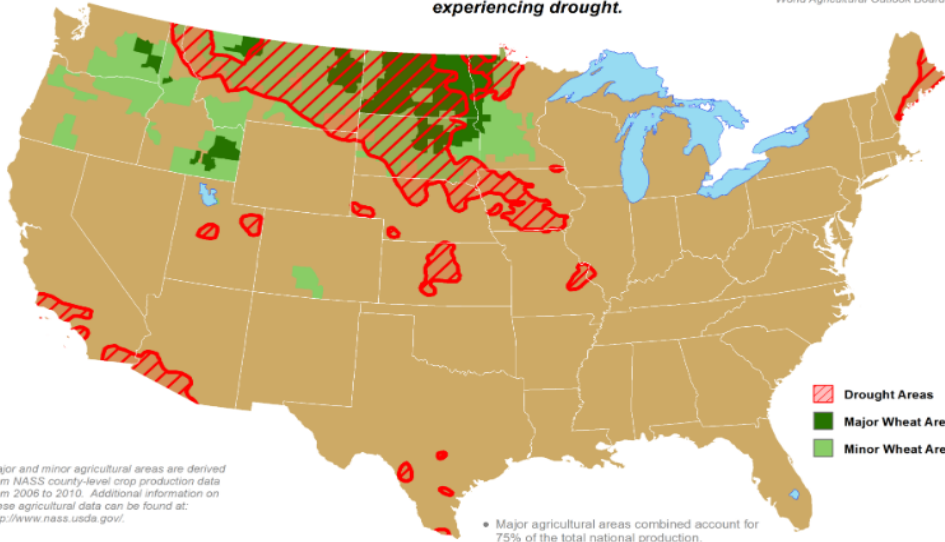
U.S. Spring Wheat Areas Experiencing Drought



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▨ Drought Areas
■ Major Wheat Area
■ Minor Wheat Area

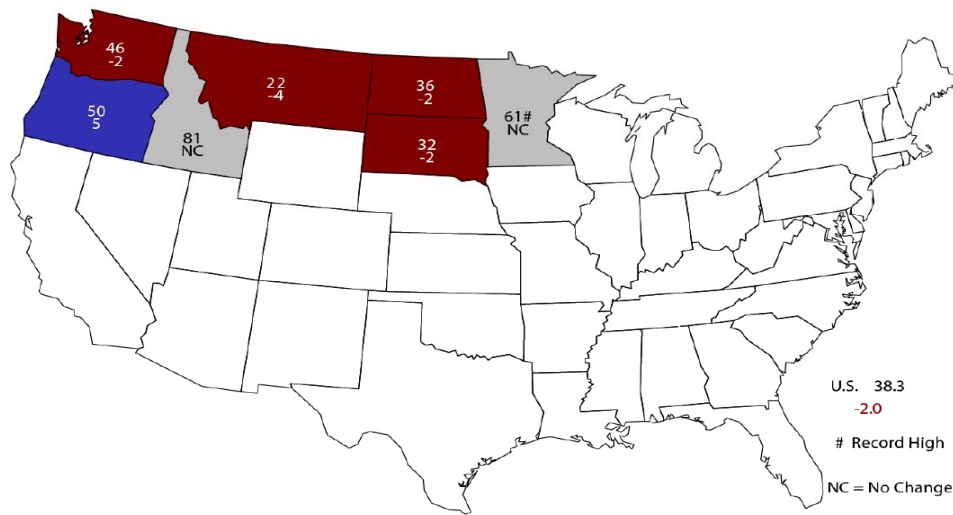
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August 1, 2017 Other Spring Wheat Yield Bushels and Change From Previous Month



U.S. 38.3
-2.0

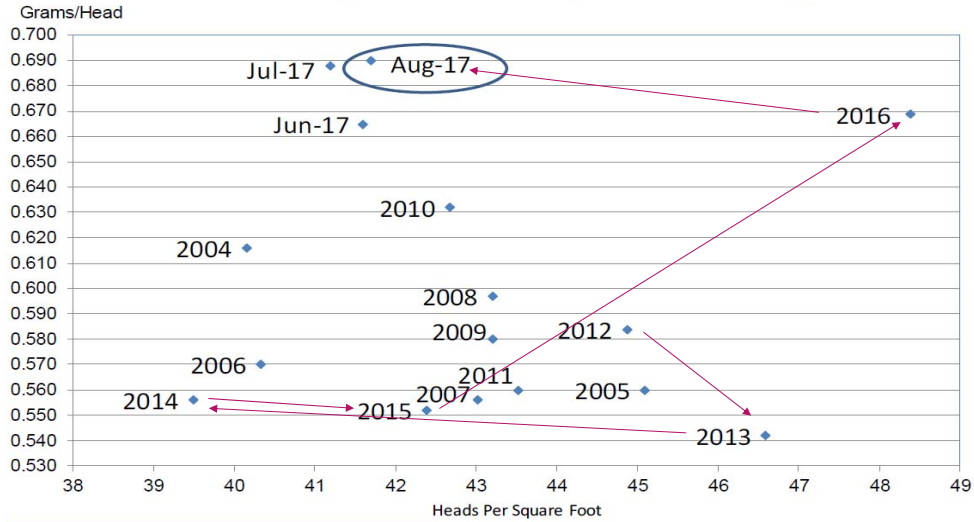
Record High

NC = No Change

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Wheat Objective Yield Region Heads Per Square Foot vs. Implied Head Weight



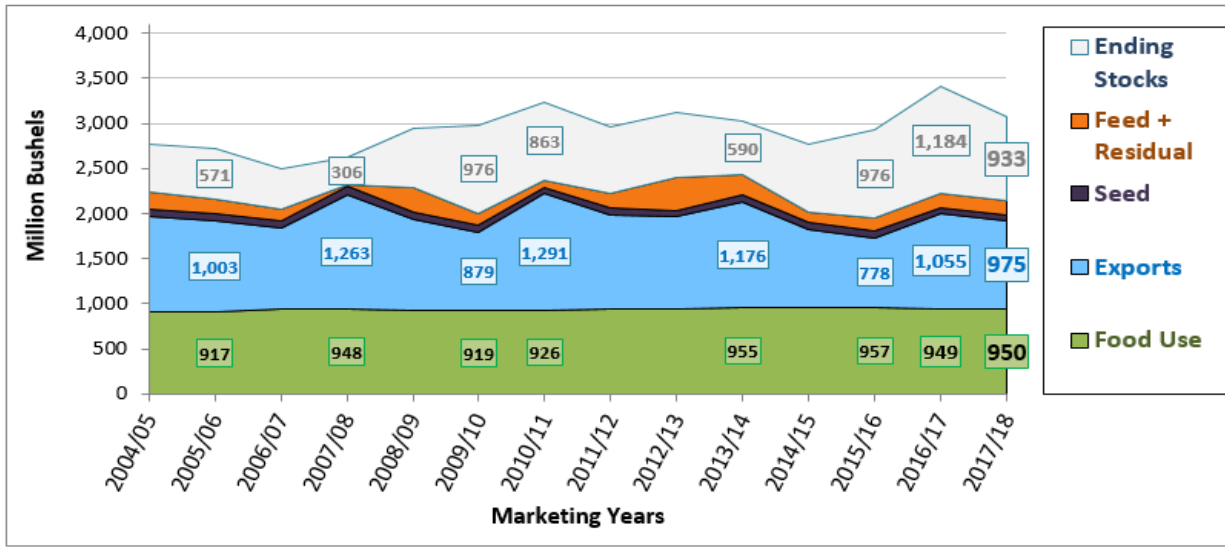
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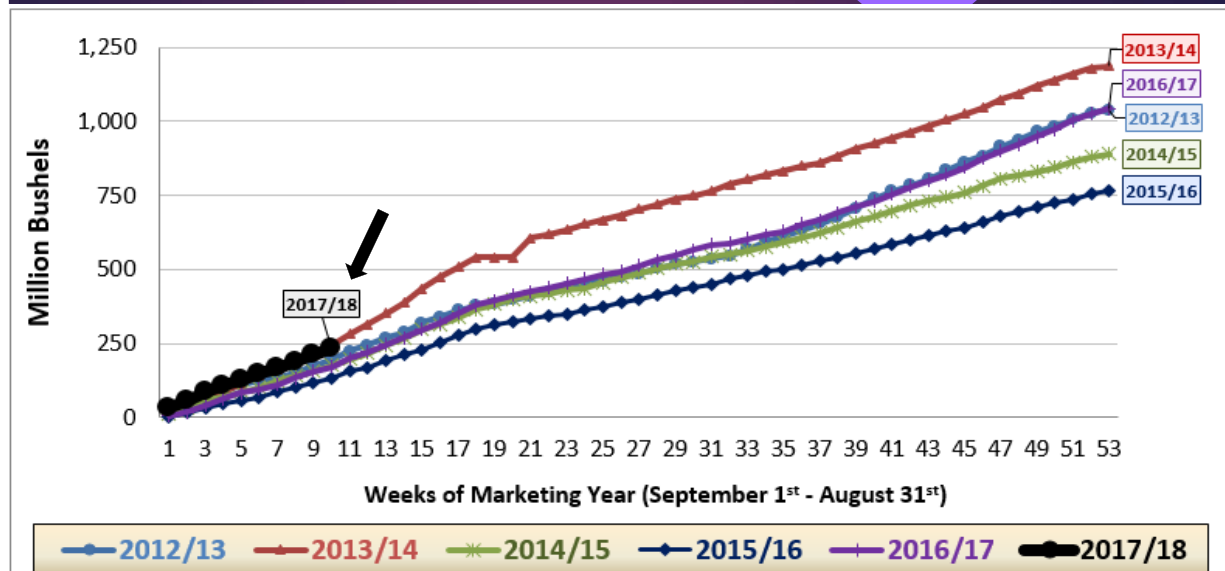
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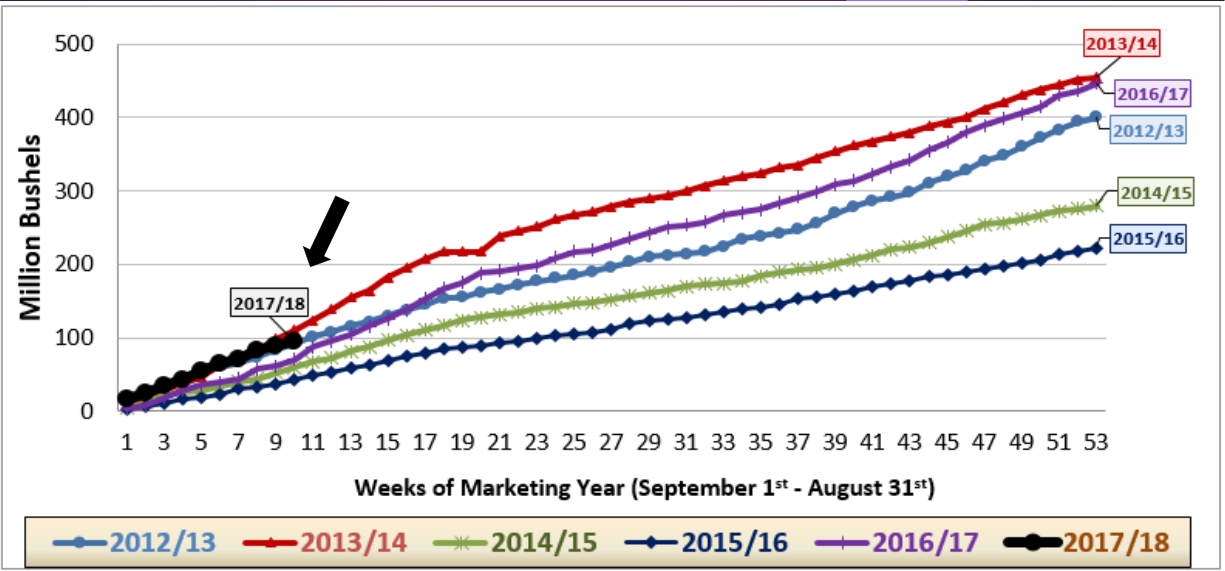
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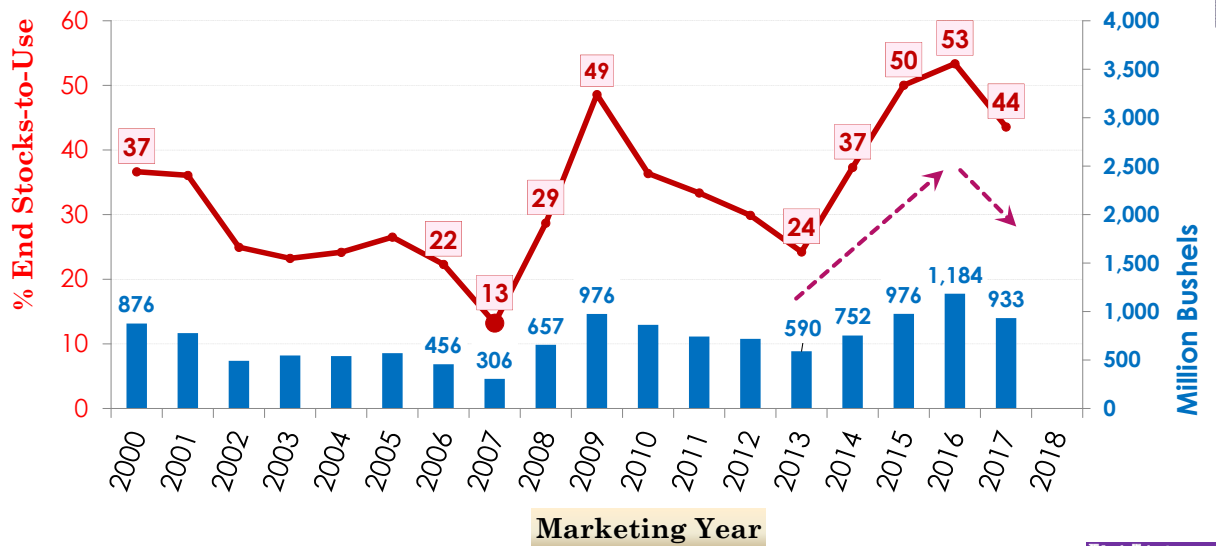
U.S. All Wheat Exports - Weekly thru August 10, 2017



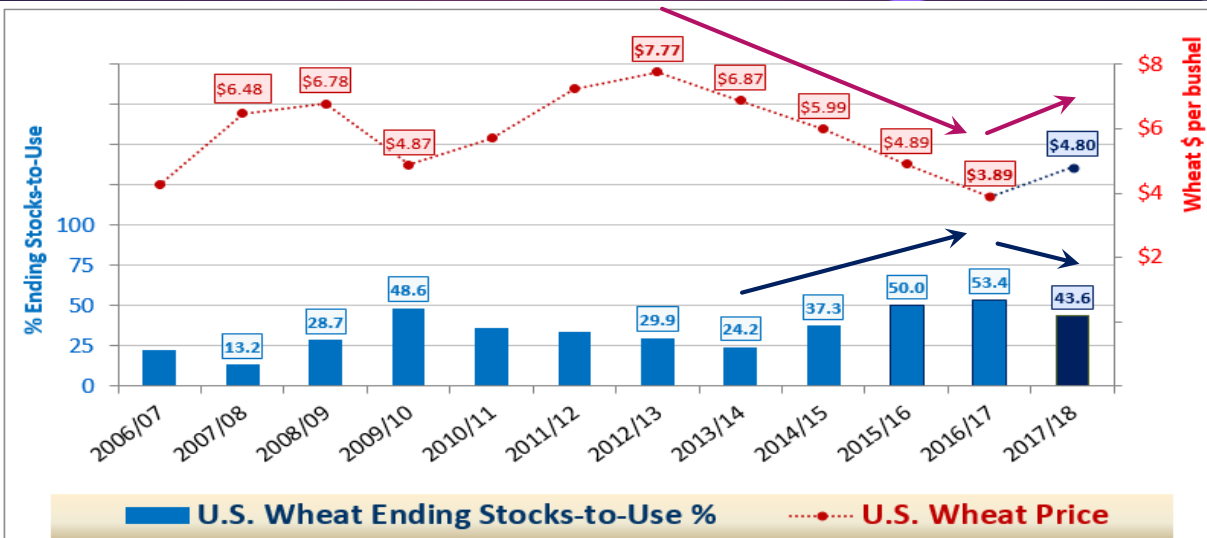
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U.S. Wheat Ending Stocks & % Stx/Use

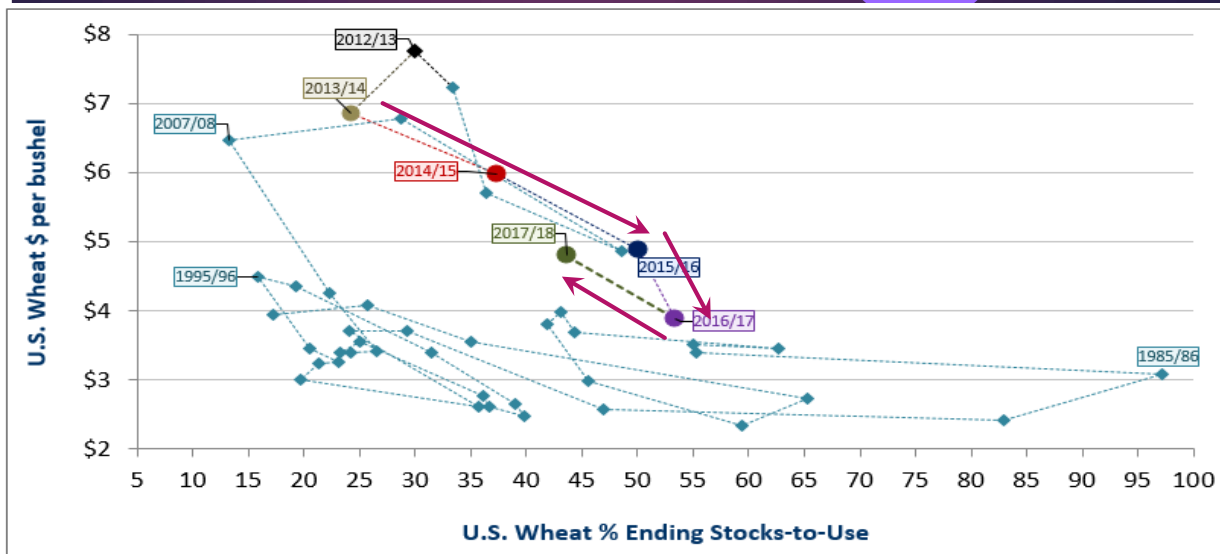


U.S. Wheat Ending Stocks & Prices

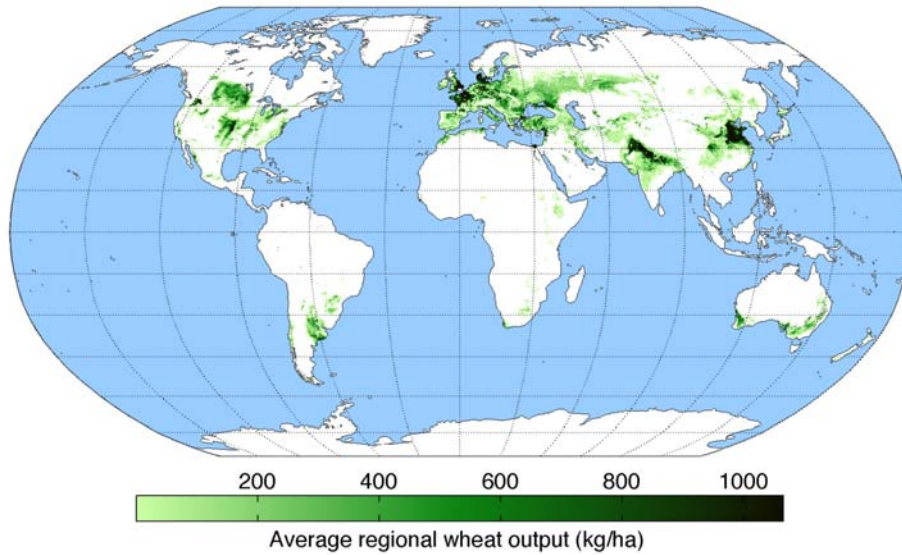


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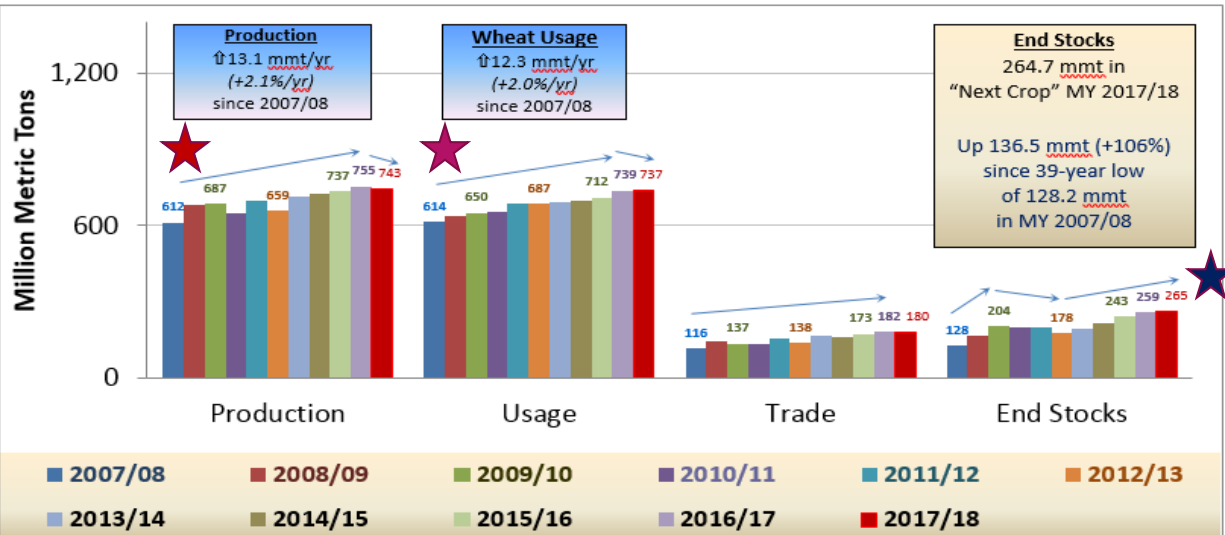
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World Wheat Production Regions



World Wheat Supply, Use & Stocks



World Wheat Production

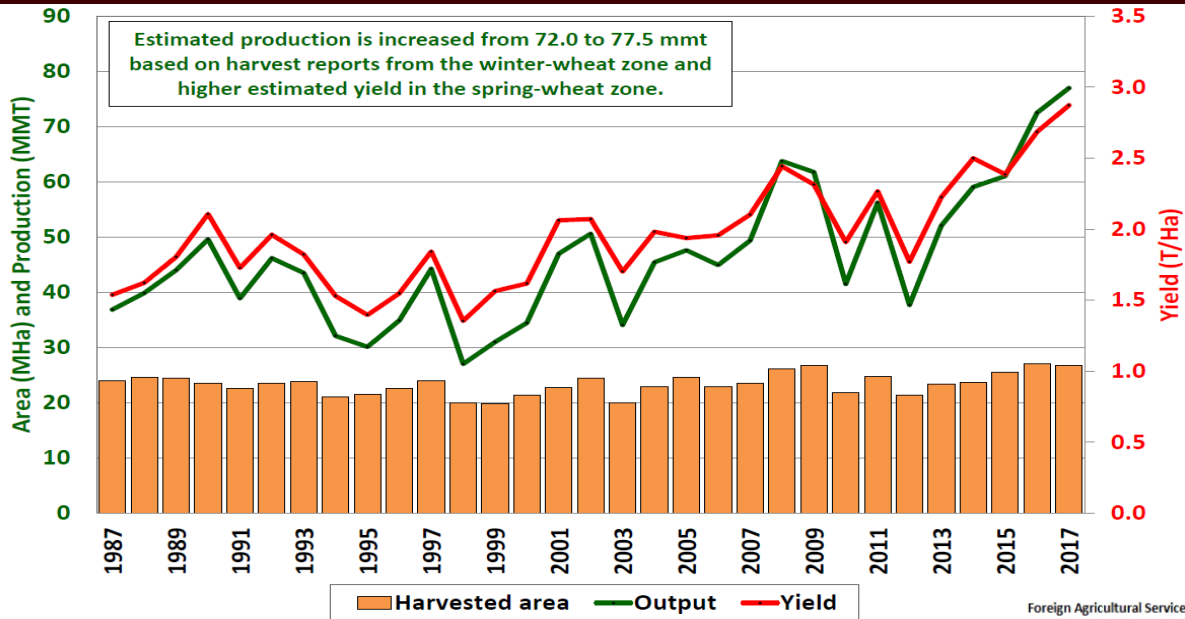
Country or Region	2016/17 estimate	2017/18 forecast	Change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
<i>Million Tons</i>				
World	755.0	743.2	5.4	-11.8
United States	62.9	47.3	-0.6	-15.5
Foreign	692.1	695.9	5.9	3.7
Argentina	17.5	17.5	--	0.0
Canada	31.7	26.5	-1.9	-5.2
Australia	35.1	23.5	--	-11.6
European Union	145.7	149.6	-0.4	3.9
Turkey	17.3	19.5	--	2.3
Russia	72.5	77.5	5.5	5.0
Ukraine	26.8	26.5	2.5	-0.3
Kazakhstan	15.0	14.0	1.0	-1.0
China	128.9	130.0	--	1.2
India	87.0	96.0	--	9.0

August 10, 2017

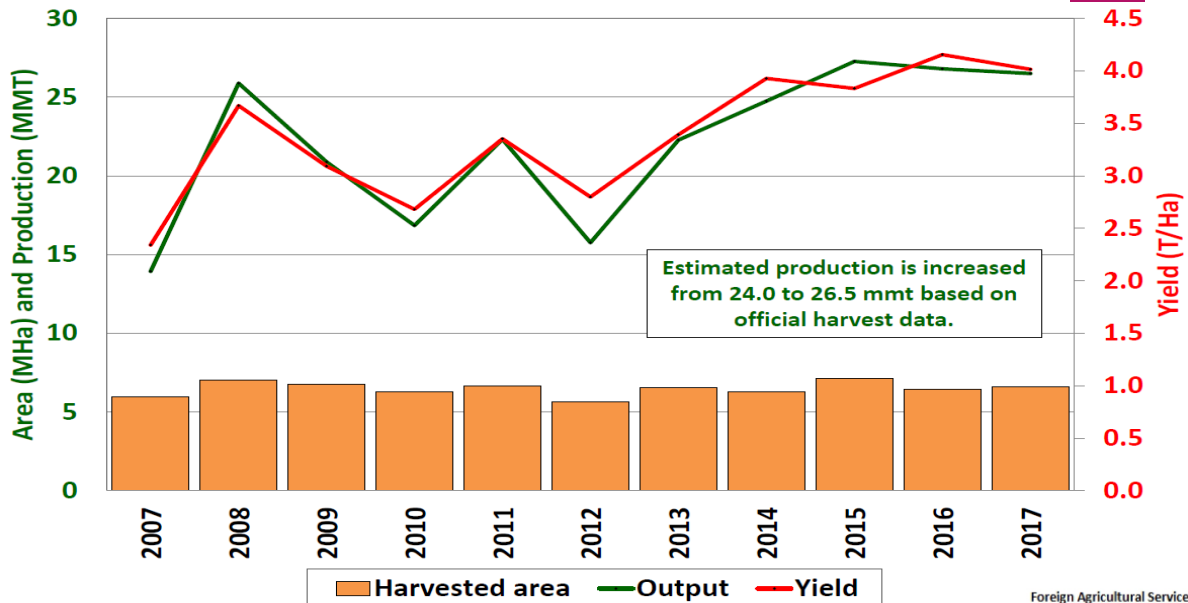
World Wheat Supply and Use

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<i>Million Tons</i>				
Beginning stocks	242.9	258.6	0.5	15.7
Production	755.0	743.2	5.4	-11.8
Total Supply	997.9	1,001.8	5.9	3.9
Feed use	146.9	140.6	1.3	-6.2
Total use	739.3	737.1	1.8	-2.2
Trade	182.3	179.9	1.5	-2.3
Ending Stocks	258.6	264.7	4.1	6.1

Russia Wheat – Area, Yield Production



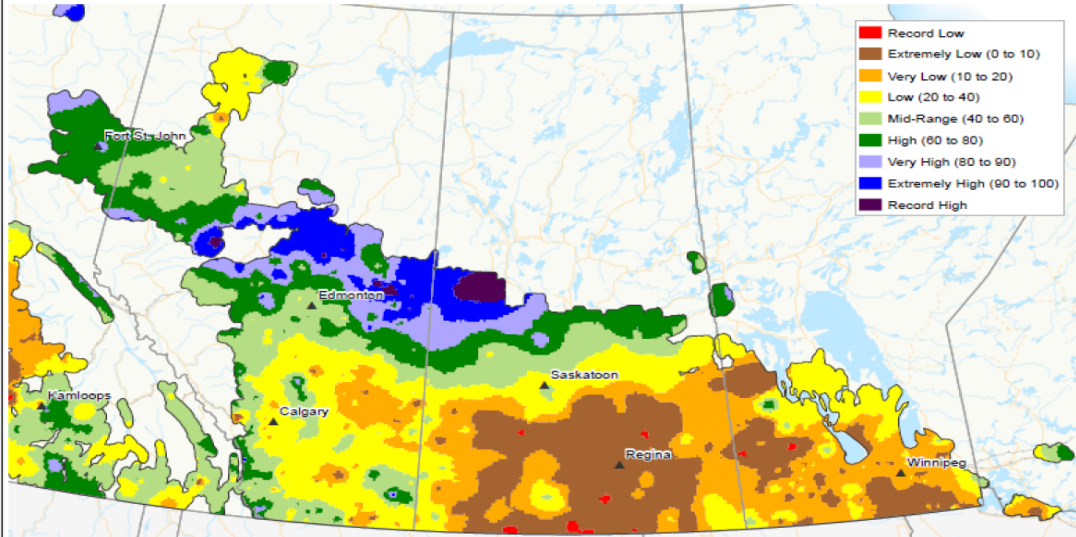
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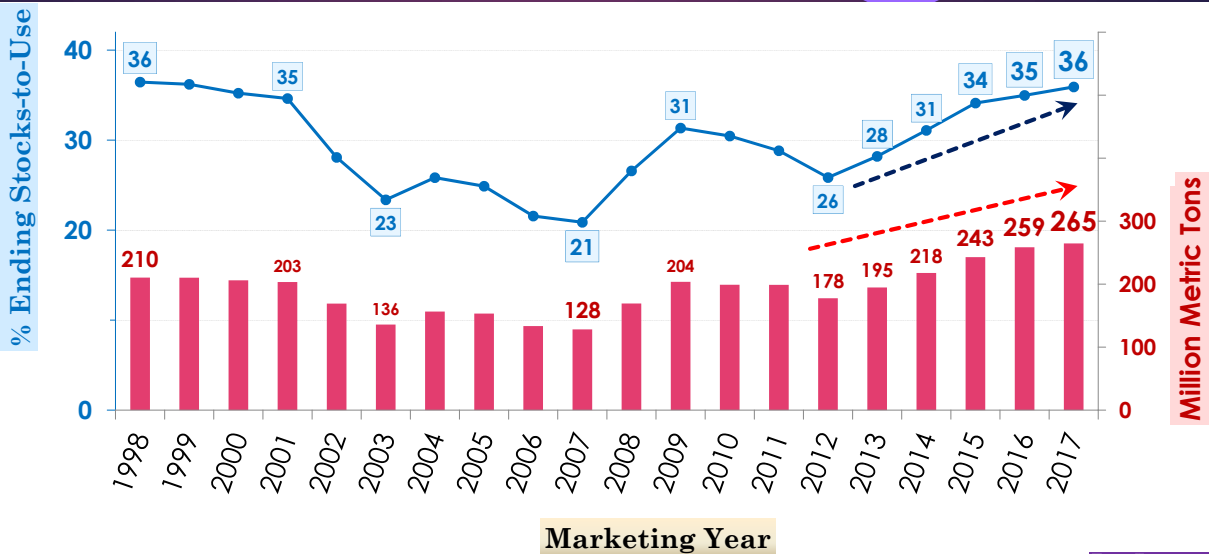
Current Precipitation Compared to Historical Distribution

April 1, 2017 to August 3, 2017



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World Wheat Ending Stocks & % Stx/Use

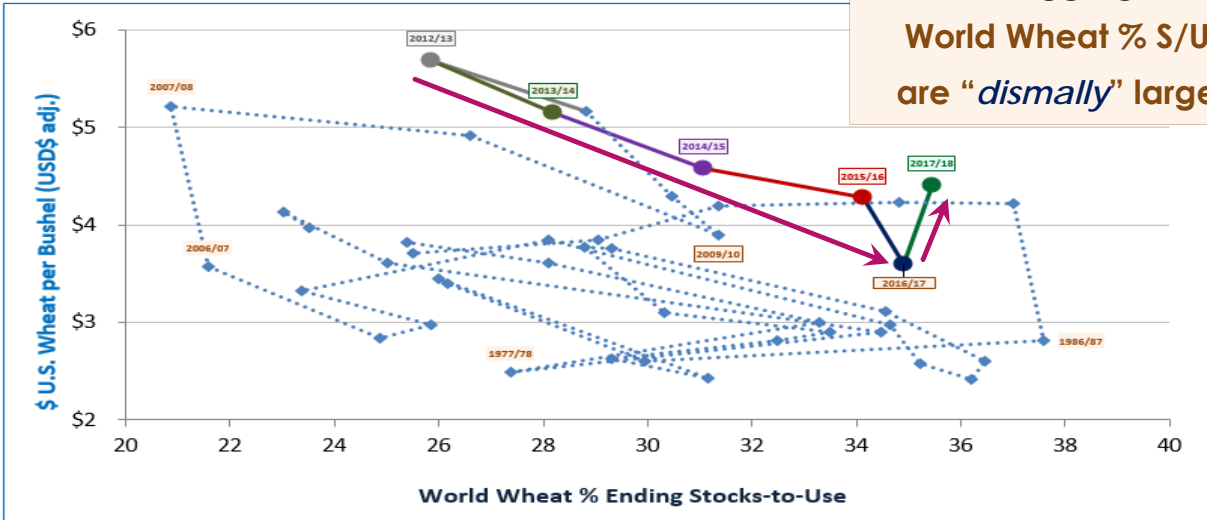


U.S. Wheat Price (\$) vs World % Stx/Use

MY 1973/74 – “New Crop” MY 2017/18



In total aggregate -
World Wheat % S/U
are “*dismally*” large

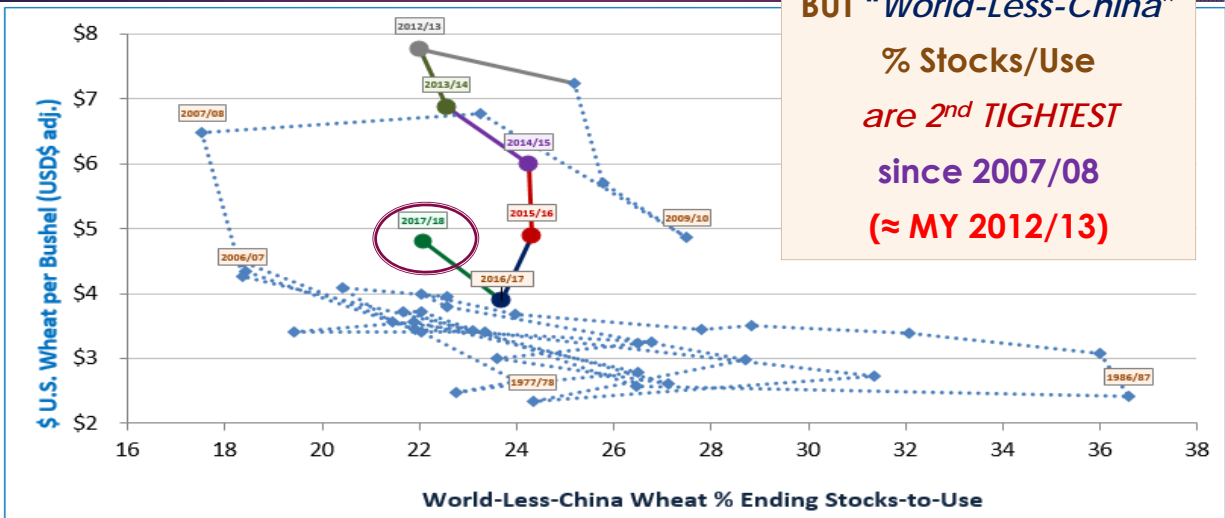


U.S. Wheat \$ vs Non-China % Stx/Use

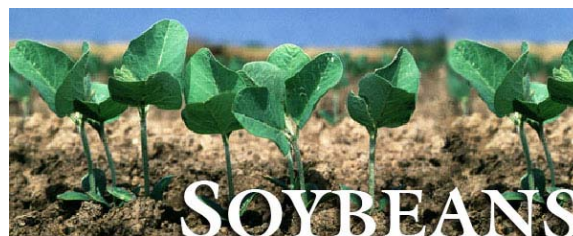
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BUT “*World-Less-China*”
% Stocks/Use
are 2nd **TIGHTEST**
since 2007/08
(≈ MY 2012/13)



Soybean & Cotton Markets



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U.S. Soybean Market Prospects

- *Strong Use & Exports, Large Stocks, & Weaker Prices*
 - U.S. soybean exports in 2017/18 to remain *historically large* in spite of large South American Production
 - ❖ Depends on continued growth in import demand from **China, EU, Southeast Asia, Mexico**, elsewhere
 - Questions & concerns to emerge in fall-winter 2017-2018 re: **2018 South American soybean** crop size

U.S. Soybean Supply-Use

- Soybean “issues” in the August Crop Production Report
- Large Soybean Stocks in U.S.-So. America limit Price\$’s
- Low Price\$’s to support “*New Crop*” MY 2017/18 Use ***
 - Soy Crush 2017/18 = 1.940 bln bu (*Record – vs 1.890 bb last year*)
 - Exports 2017/18 = 2.225 bln bu (*Record – vs 2.150 bb last year*)
 - Total Use 2017/18 = 4.301 bln bu (*Record – vs 4.158 bb last year*)
 - SBM Use 2017/18 = 22.750 bln lbs (*vs 22.0 bb in 2016/17 & 22.4 bb in 2015/16*)

U.S. Soybean & Cotton Stocks.....

- Soybean: “*Large*” Stocks & % S/U
 - End Stocks 2017/18 ⇒ 475 mln bu (*High vs 574 mb in 2006/07*)
 - % Stocks/Use 2017/18 ⇒ 11.0% S/U (*High vs 18.6% in 2006/07*)
- Cotton: “*Large*” 2017 Crop & “*Growing*” Stocks
 - Production 2017/18 ⇒ 20.6 mln bales (*12.9 & 17.2 mb last 2 years*)
 - End Stocks 2017/18 ⇒ 5.8 mln bales (*3.8 & 2.8 mb last 2 years*)
 - % Stocks/Use 2017/18 ⇒ 33.0% S/U (*30.2% & 15.4% last 2 years*)

CME Soybean Futures

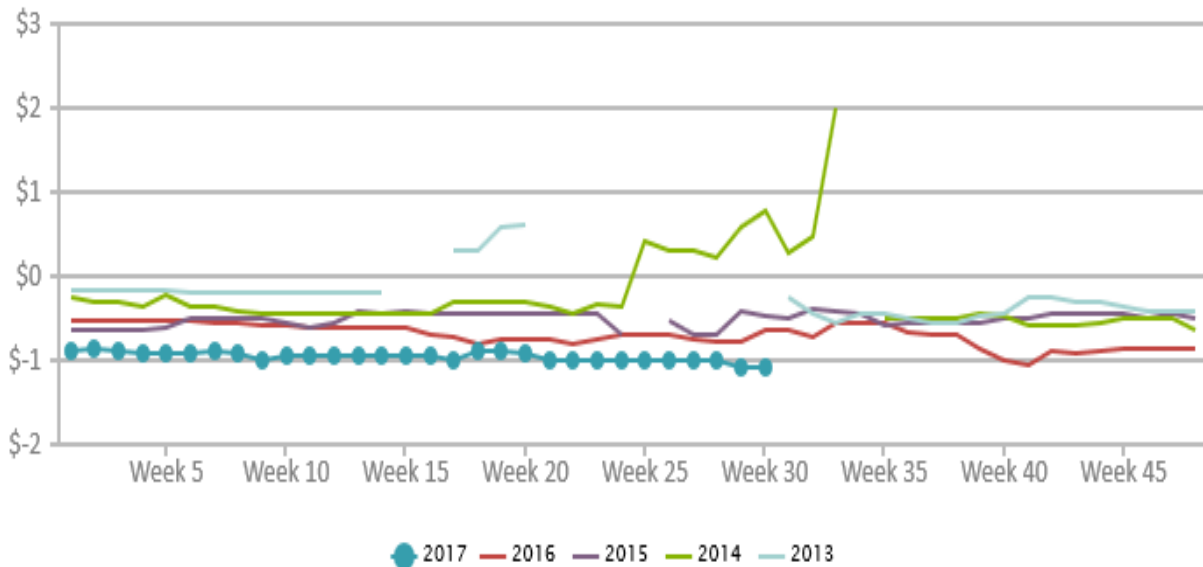


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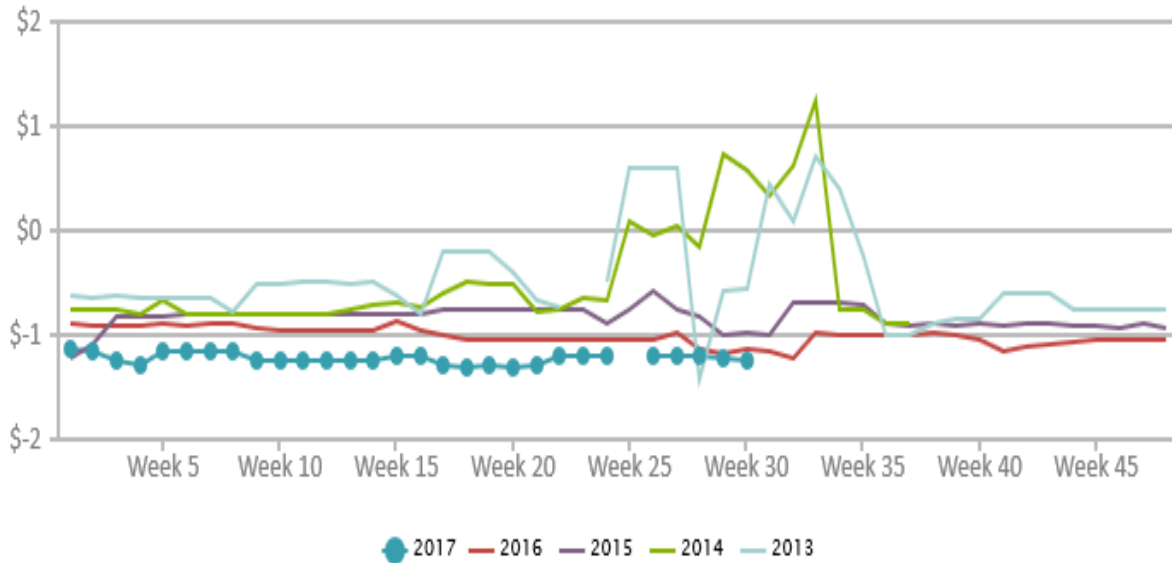
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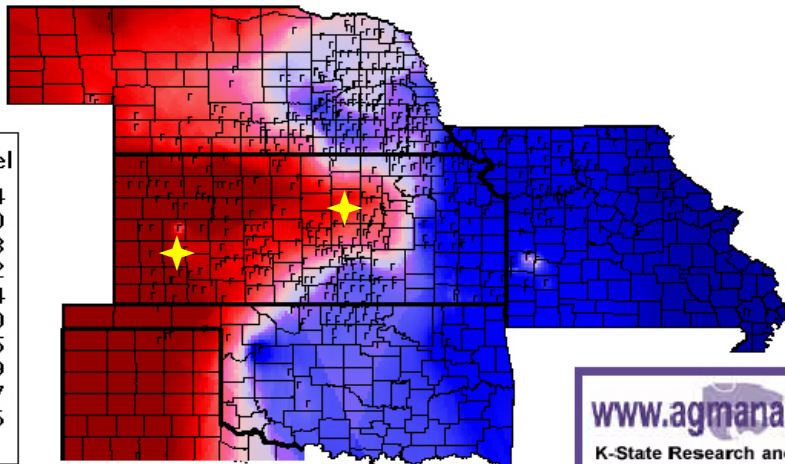
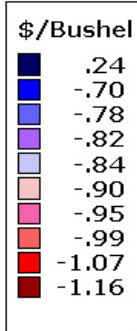
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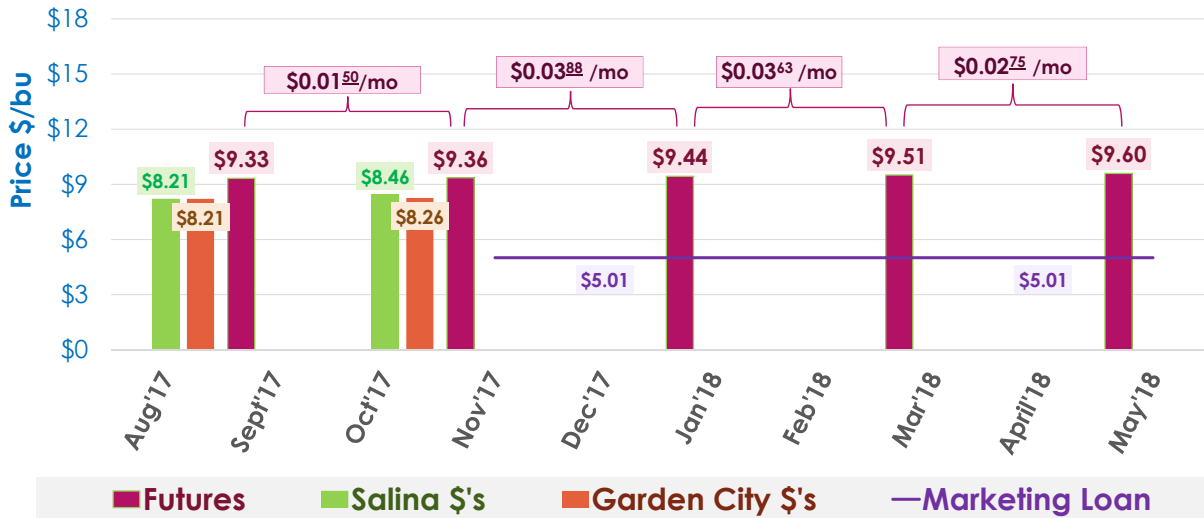
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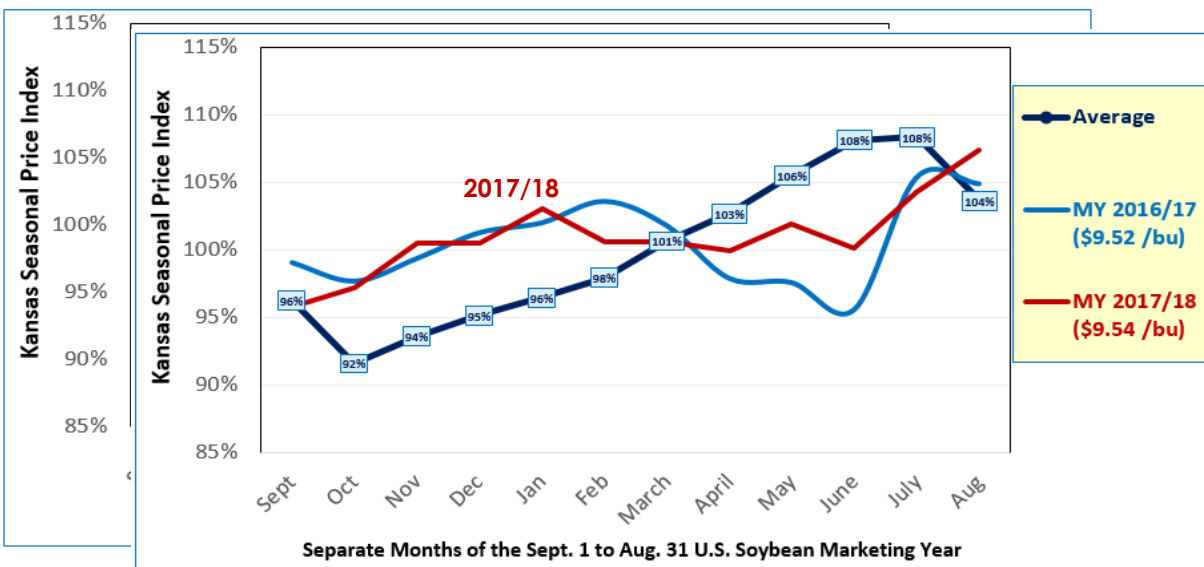
Soybean Cash & Futures Price\$'s

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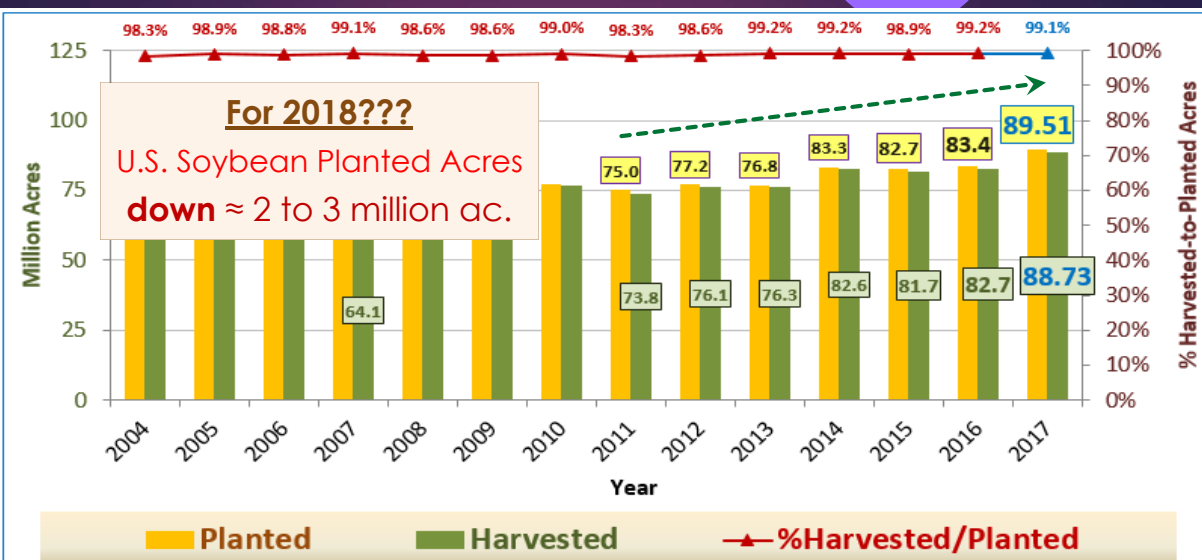
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U.S. Soybean Supply and Demand

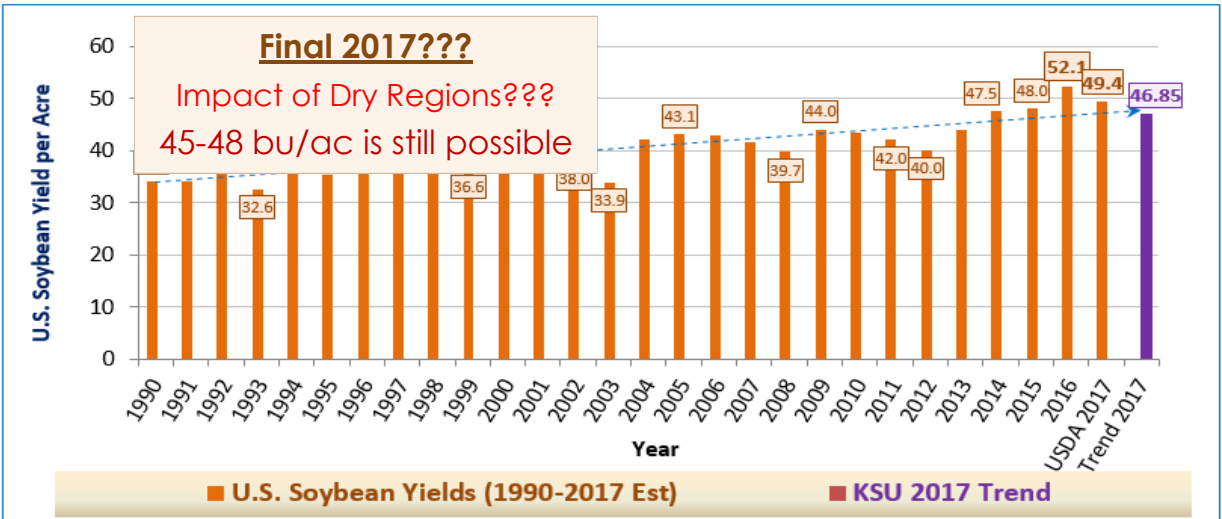
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Harvested area (million acres)	82.7	--	88.7	--	6.0
Yield (bushels per acre)	52.1	--	49.4	1.4	-2.7
			<i>Million bushels</i>		
Beginning stocks	197	--	370	-40	174
Production	4,307	--	4,381	121	74
Imports	25	--	25	--	0
Total supply	4,528	--	4,777	81	248
Crush	1,890	-10	1,940	-10	50
Seed and residual	118	--	136	1	18
Domestic use	2,008	-10	2,076	-9	68
Exports	2,150	50	2,225	75	75
Total use	4,158	40	4,301	66	143
Ending stocks	370	-40	475	15	105
			<i>Percent</i>		
Stocks to use ratio	8.9	-1.1	11.1	0.2	2.1
			<i>Dollars per bushel</i>		
Average market price	9.50	--	8.45/10.15	-0.10	-0.20

U.S. Soybean Acreage



U.S. Soybean Yields

USDA 2017 = 49.4 bu/ac; 2017 Trend¹⁹⁷³⁻²⁰¹⁶ = 46.85



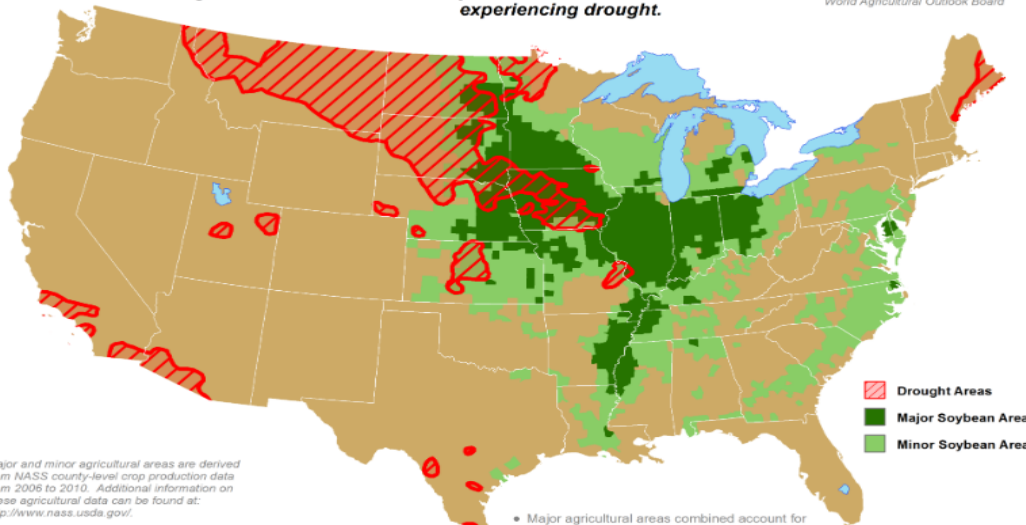
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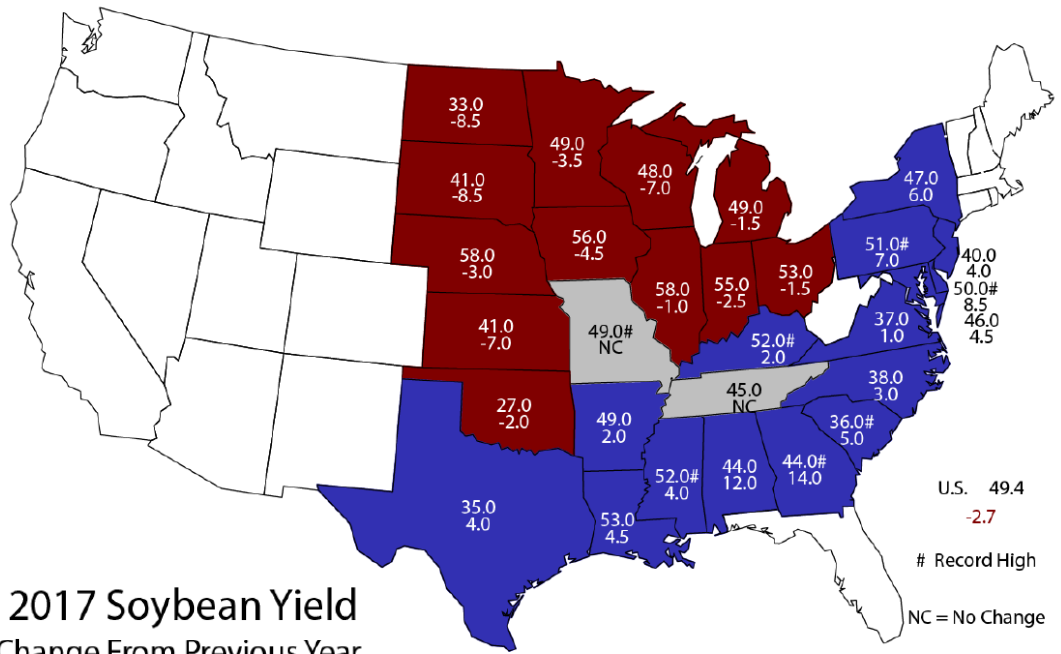
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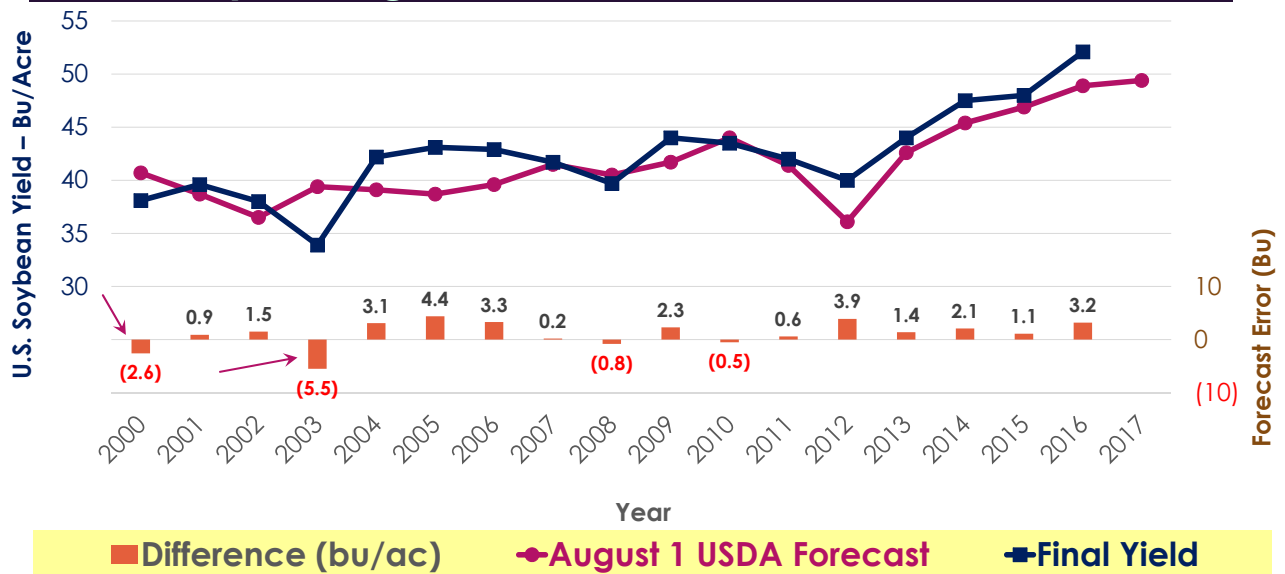
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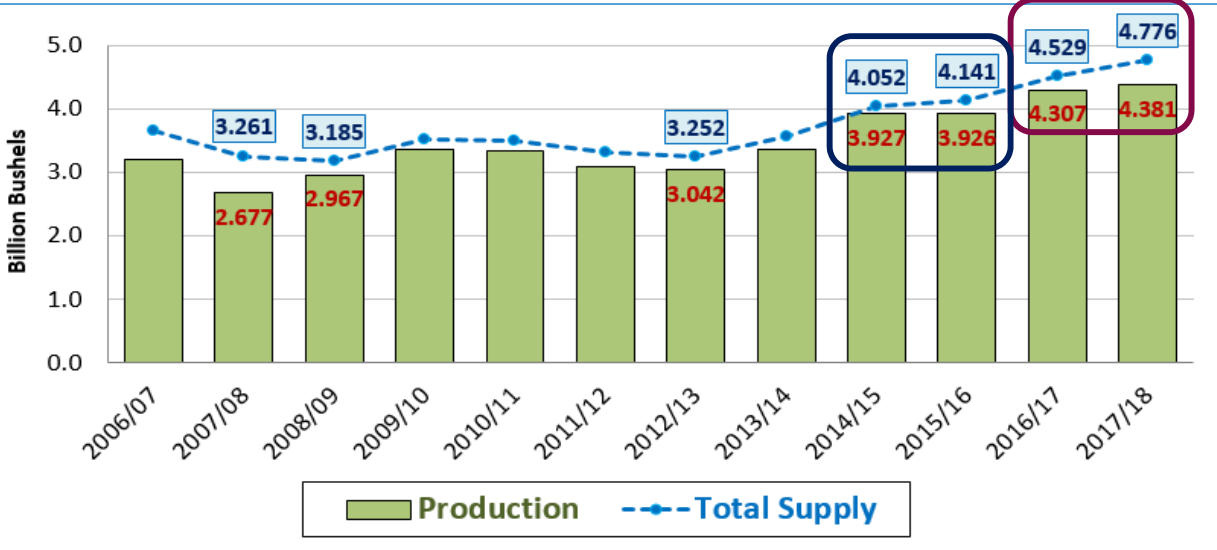
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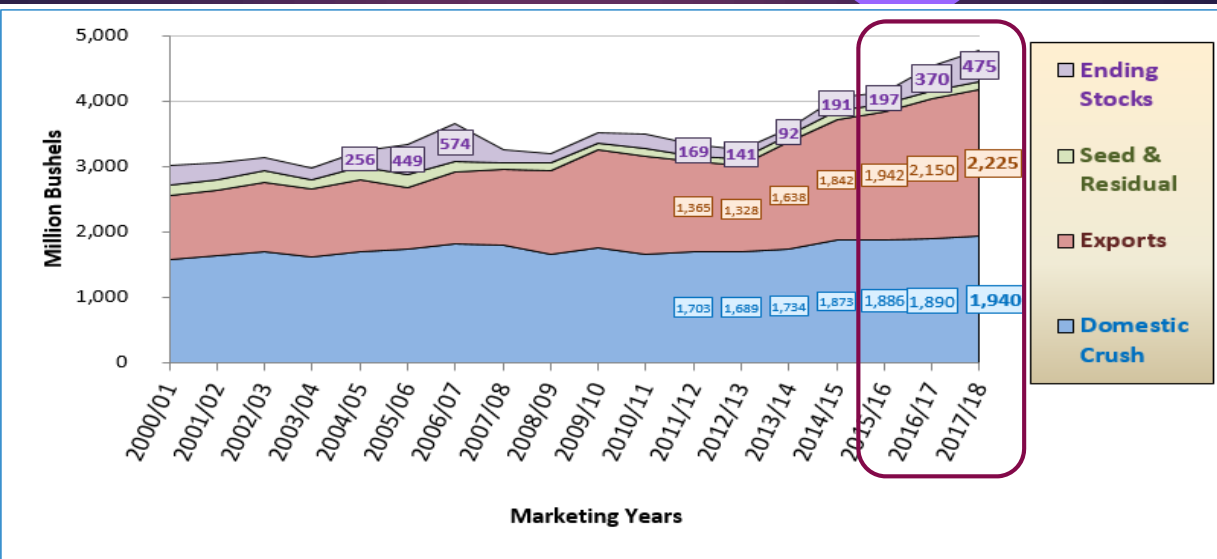
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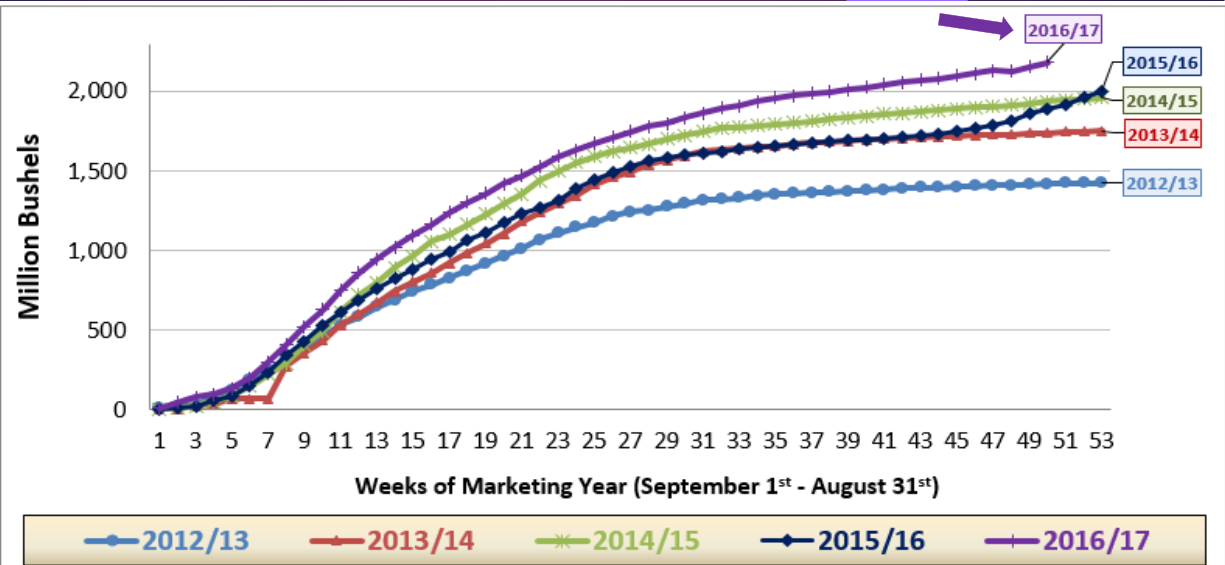
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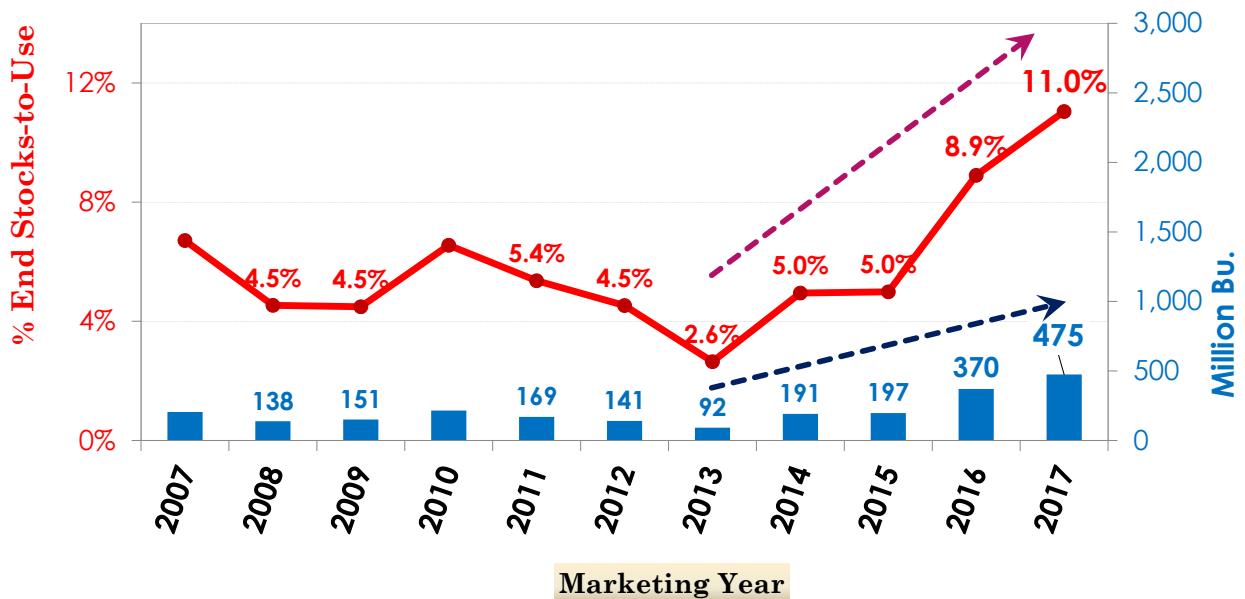
U.S. Soybean Use & End Stocks



U.S. Soybean Exports - Weekly

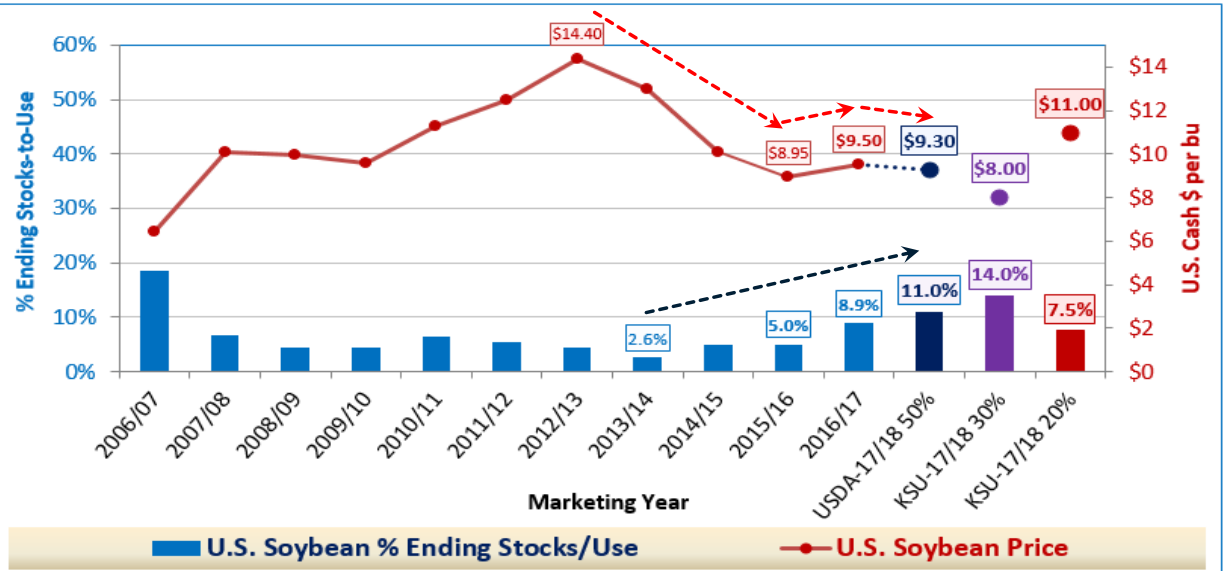


U.S. Soybean Ending Stocks & % Stx/Use



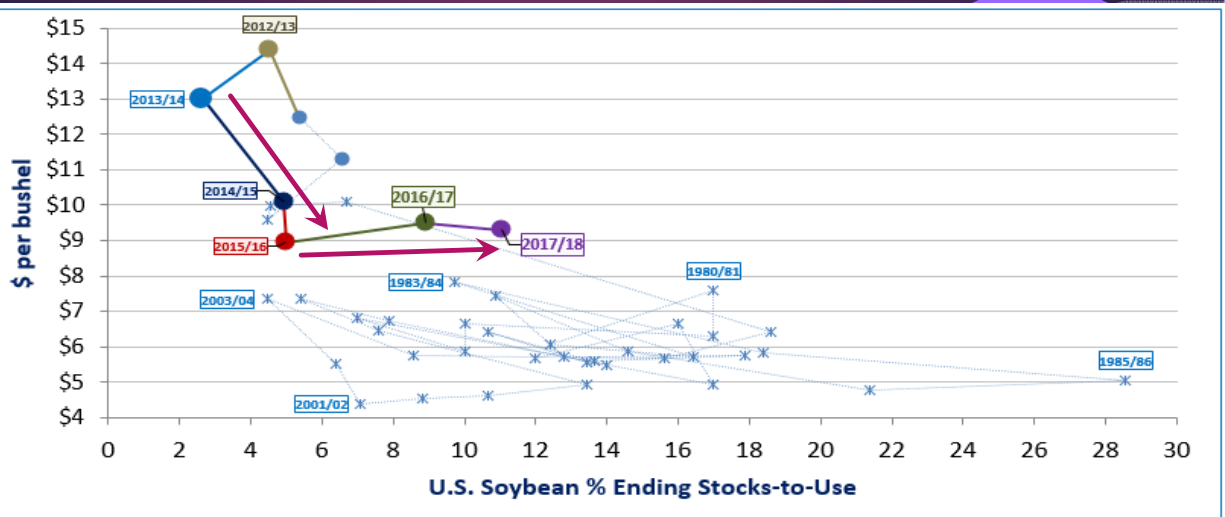


U.S. Soybean % Stocks/Use vs Price\$

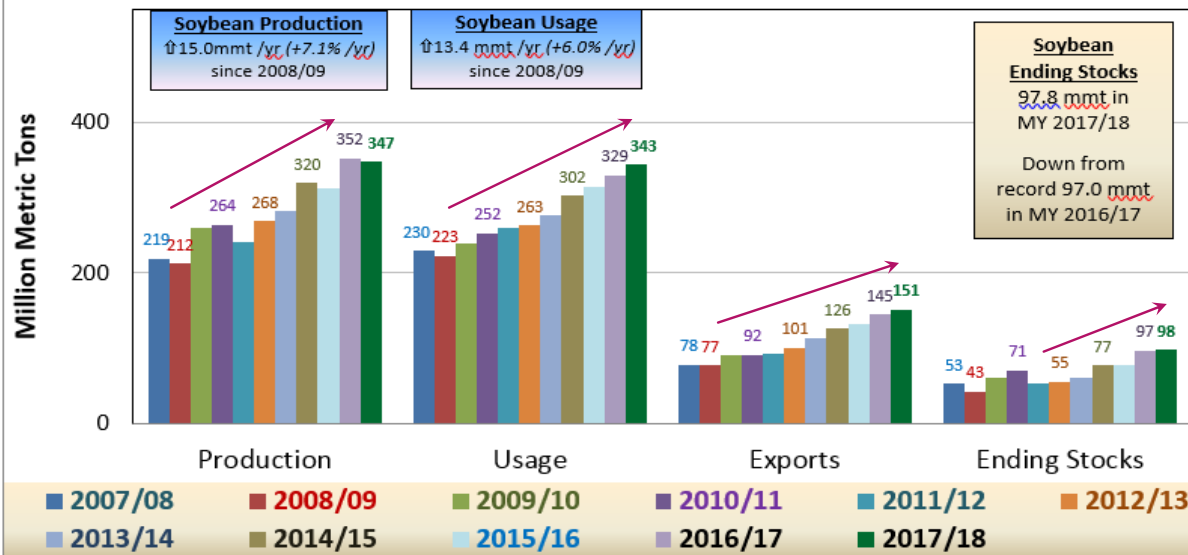


U.S. Soybean \$ vs U.S. Stx-to-Use

MY 1973/74 through "Next Crop" MY 2017/18



World Soybean Supply, Use & Stocks

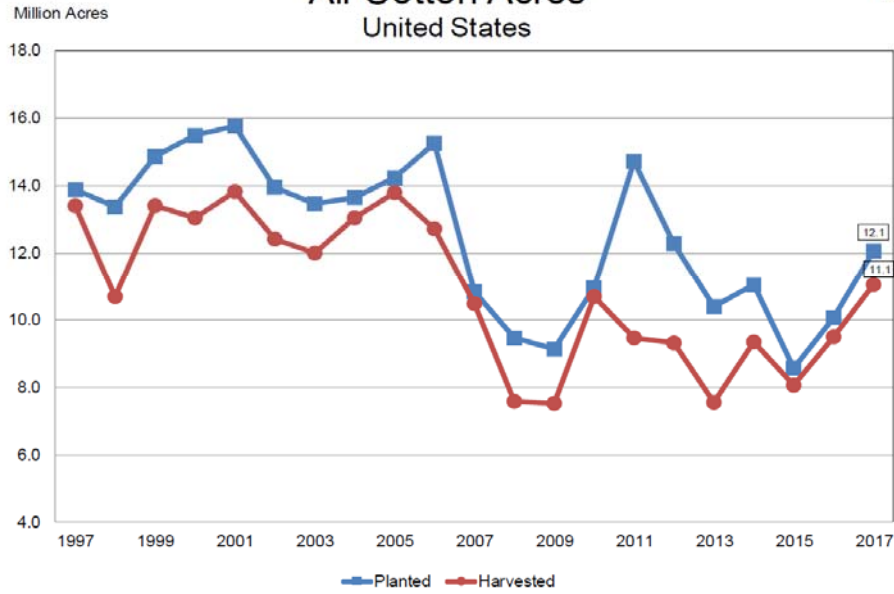


World Soybean Production

Country or Region	2016/17 estimate	2017/18 forecast	Change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
<i>Million Tons</i>				
World	351.7	347.4	2.3	-4.4
United States	117.2	119.2	3.3	2.0
Foreign	234.5	228.1	-1.0	-6.4
Argentina	57.8	57.0	--	-0.8
Brazil	114.0	107.0	--	-7.0
Paraguay	10.7	9.4	--	-1.3
Canada	6.6	8.2	-0.2	1.7
India	11.5	10.0	-1.5	-1.5
China	12.9	14.0	--	1.1



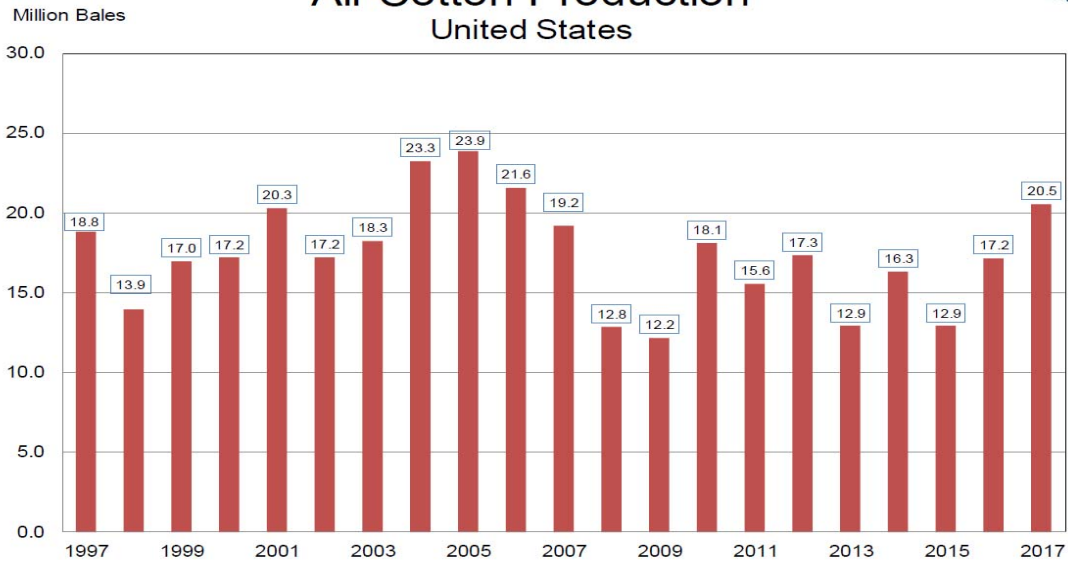
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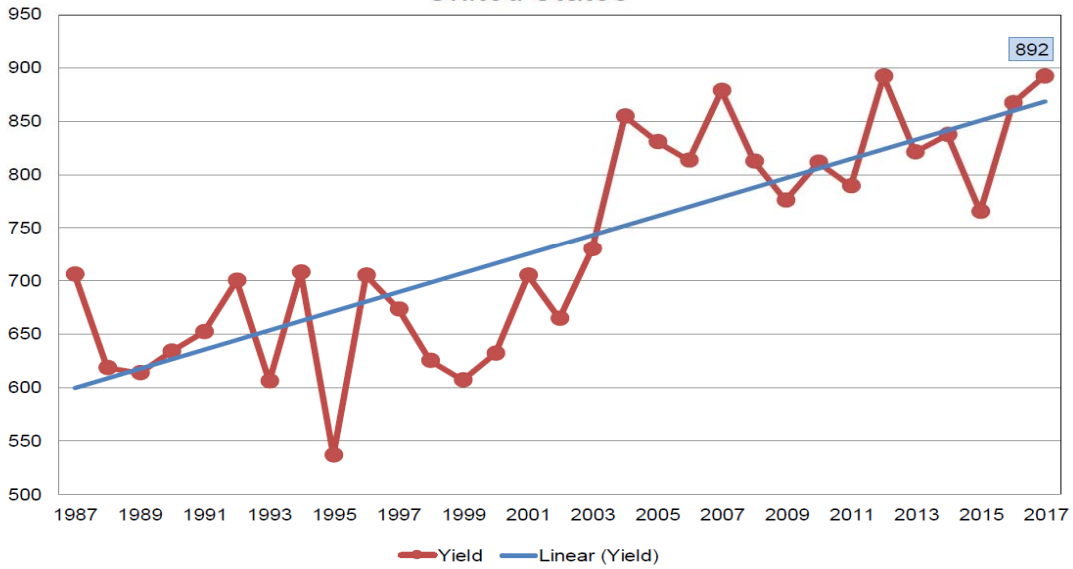


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All Cotton Yield United States

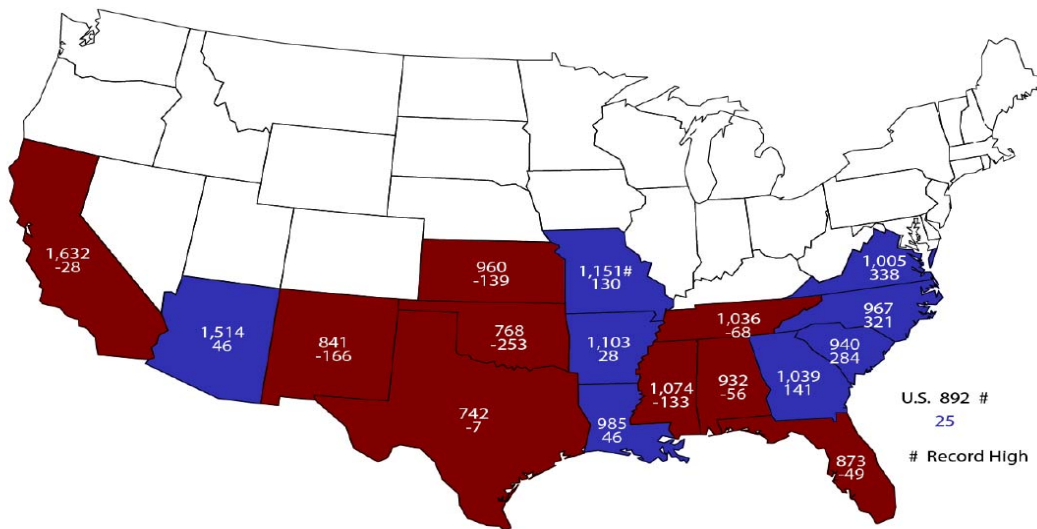
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August 1, 2017 All Cotton Yield Pounds and Change From Previous Year



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U.S. Cotton Supply and Demand

	2016/17 estimate	2017/18 forecast	Change from July 12	Change from 2016/17
Planted area (million acres)	10.07	12.06	--	1.98
Harvested area (million acres)	9.51	11.05	-0.13	1.55
Yield (pounds per acre)	867	892	76	25
<i>Million bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	3.80	2.80	-0.40	-1.00
Imports	0.01	0.01	--	0.00
Production	17.17	20.55	1.55	3.38
Total supply	20.98	23.36	1.15	2.38
Mill use	3.25	3.35	-0.05	0.10
Exports	14.92	14.20	0.70	-0.72
Total use	18.17	17.55	0.65	-0.62
Unaccounted	0.01	0.01	-0.01	
Ending stocks	2.80	5.80	0.50	3.00
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks/use	15.4	33.0	1.7	17.6
<i>Cents per pound</i>				
Average market price	68.00	55.0/67.0	--	-7.00



Questions?

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