

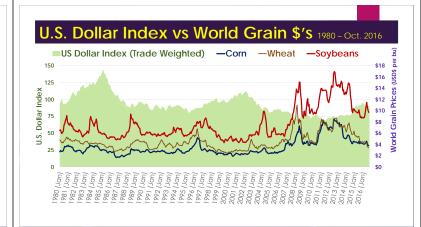
Topics to be discussed.....

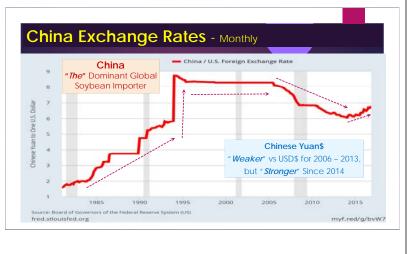


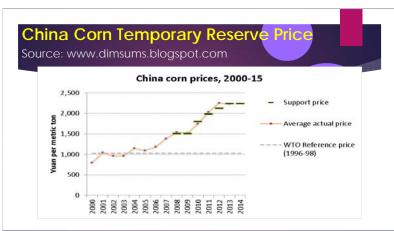
- 1) Overall Grain Market Situation World & U.S.
- 2) Currency Exchange Rate impacts on the World grain trade & World grain prices
- 3) Market Outlook for Corn & Soybeans
 - "Revenue Insurance <u>Planning</u> & <u>Harvest Price</u> Perspective for Corn & Soybeans"

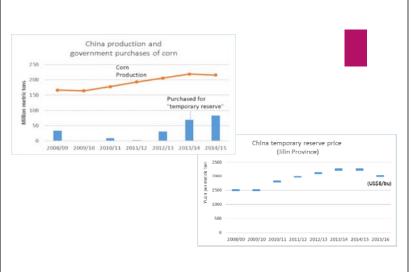
Current Grain Market Situation for U.S. & Kansas Farmers & Agribusinesses

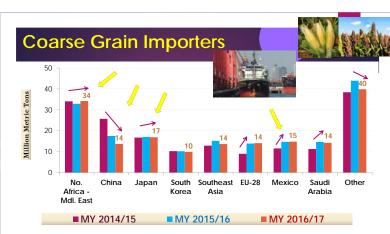
- 1) Large grain supplies are limiting grain prices
- 2) Wheat prices in Kansas are below the Marketing Loan Rate
- 3) Grain farmers are now focusing on marketing 2016 Crops
- 4) U.S. & World Crop production plans for 2017??
 - More soybeans are likely in 2017 in South America & U.S.
 - Lower U.S. & World wheat acres with some World crop risk emerging
 - 2017 U.S. Corn acres to be <u>same or higher</u> lower in Brazil & Argentina

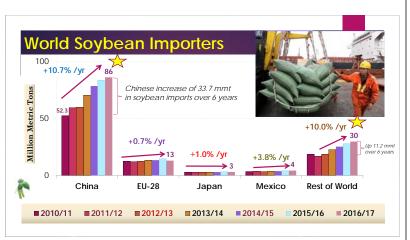




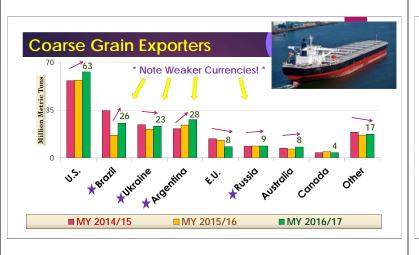


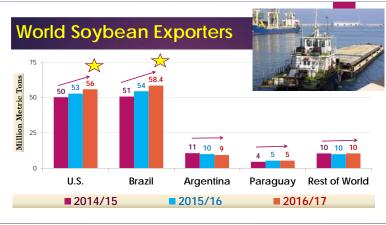




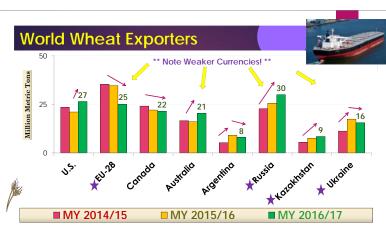


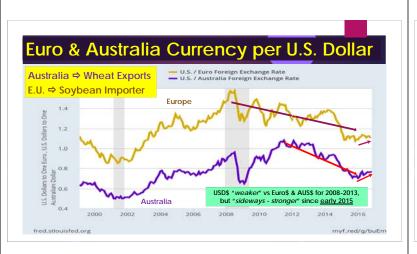












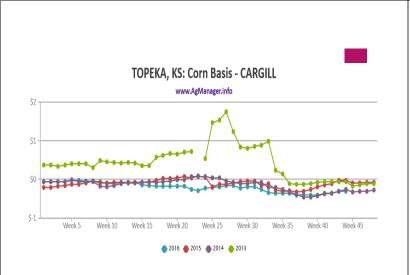


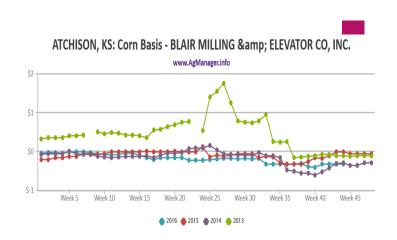


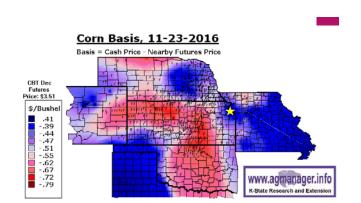
- Low Corn \$'s have supported U.S. domestic use
 - Livestock Feed^{2016/17} = 5.650 bln bu (9 year high vs 5.858 bb in 2007/08)
 - o **Corn Ethanol**^{2016/17} = 5.300 bln bu (record high vs 5.200 bb last 2 yrs)
 - Other FSI^{2016/17} = 1.435 bln bu (4 year high vs 1.424 bb in 2011/12)
 - Exports^{2016/17} = 2.225 bln bu (9 year high vs 2.437 bb in 2007/08)
- Sorghum exports declining from China "run" last 2-3 yrs

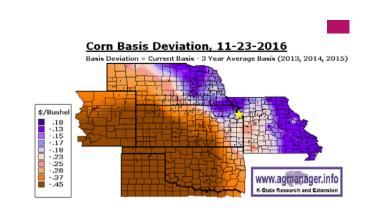
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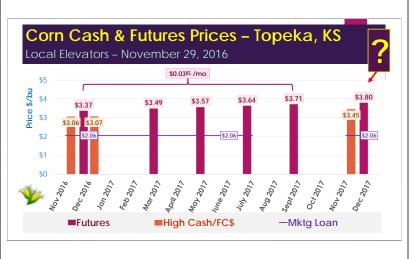


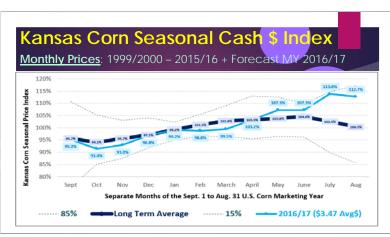


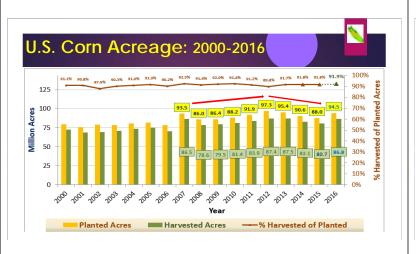


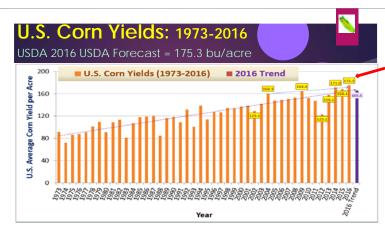






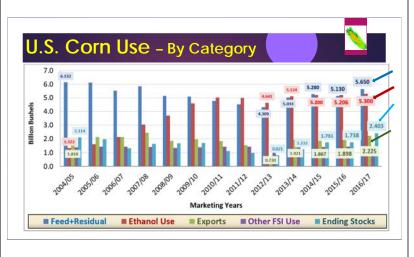


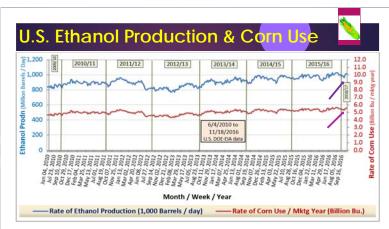










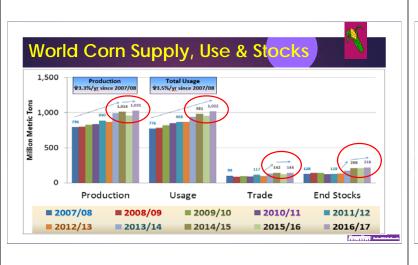


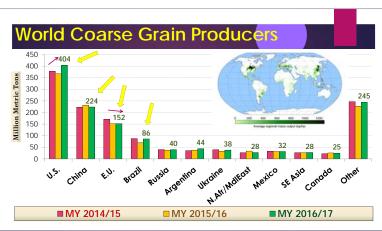














U.S. Soybean Market Prospects *"Strong"* Use & Exports – but with <u>Large</u> Stoc<mark>ks</mark>

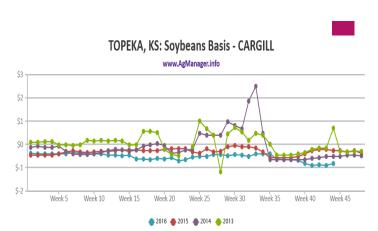
- U.S. soybean exports in 2016/17 to remain historically <u>large</u> in spite of higher U.S. Dollar exchange rate
 - o Depends on China imports & 2017 South American crops
- · Low Prices have supported record high U.S. Soybean Use
 - o Crush^{2016/17} = 1.930 bln bu (record > 1.886 bb in MY 2015/16) o Exports^{2016/17}

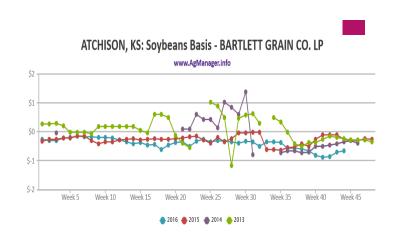
= 2.050 bln bu (record > 1.936 bb vs MY 2015/16)

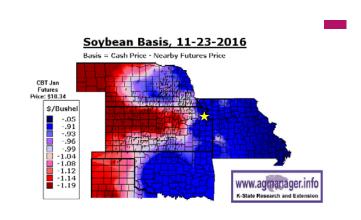
o "Uncertainty" re: 2017 South American soybean crop size

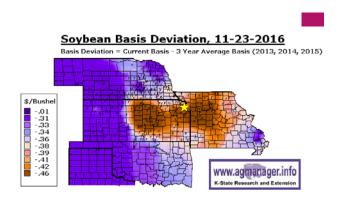
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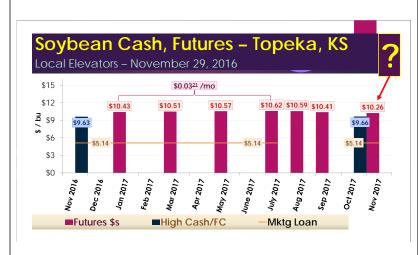


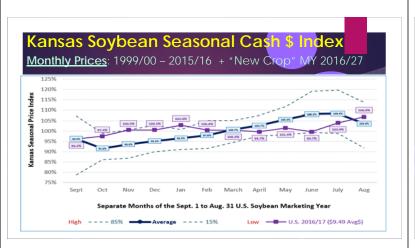


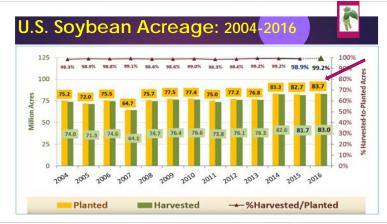


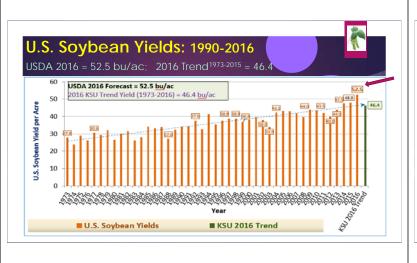






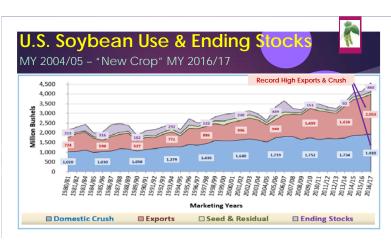


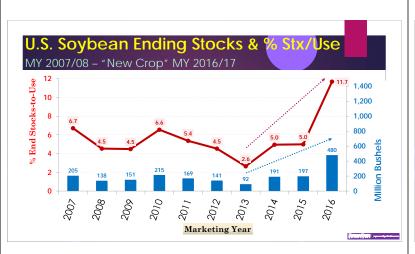


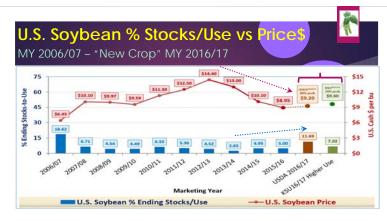


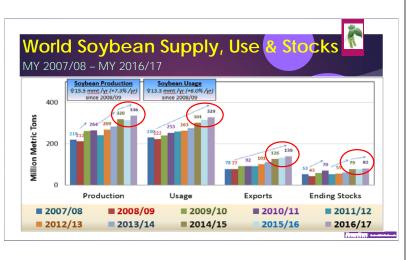


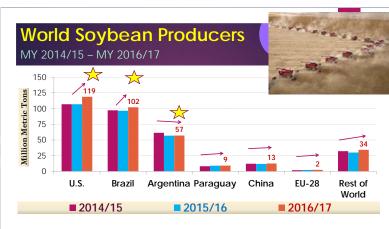


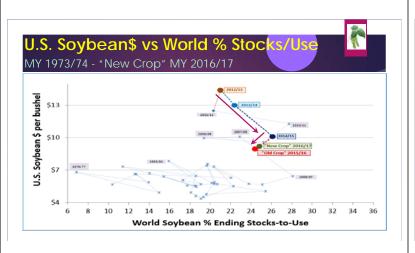












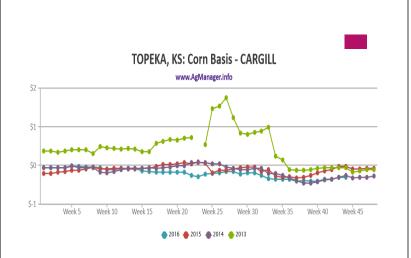




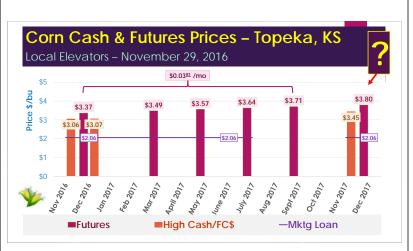












What Corn Marketing Strategies are Likely to Work Best in 2017 in Northeast Kansas?

- ▶ For "Old Crop" 2016 Corn
- On-Farm Storage ⇒ Yes, <u>but</u> not until spring-summer 2017
- Off-Farm Storage

 ⇒ Maybe, <u>but</u> will need larger 2017 rallies
- Storage Hedges / Fwd Contracts ⇒ No discounted futures

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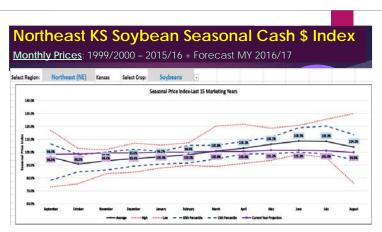
 ⇒ Yes, <u>but</u> not until spring-summer 2017
- Forward Contracts

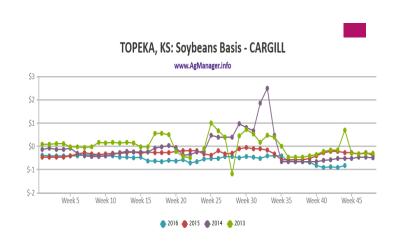
 ⇒ Maybe, <u>but</u> watch for wide basis bids
- Buying Puts

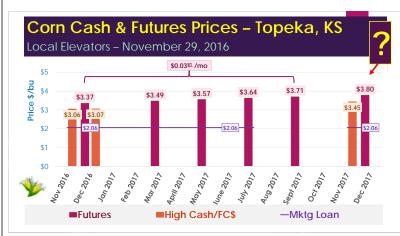
 ⇒ ????? Maybe @ spring/summer rallies
- Marketing Loans ⇒ Be aware of Mktg Loan\$ vs Net Put\$











What Soybean Marketing Strategies are Likely to Work Best in 2017 in Northeast Kansas?

- ▶ For "Old Crop" 2016 Soybeans
- On-Farm Storage ⇒ Yes, <u>but</u> @ risk to û 2017 So. America crop
- Off-Farm Storage ⇒ Ditto On-Farm storage but at higher costs
- Storage Hedges / Fwd Contracts ⇒ No!! discounted futures
- Selling Cash & Buy Call Options

 ⇒ Use after cash sales "IF"....

What Soybean Marketing Strategies are Likely to Work Best in 2017 in Northeast Kansas?

- ► For "New Crop" 2017 Soybeans
- Storage Hedges ⇒ ??? How much risk of low fall 2017 \$s?
- Forward Contracts ⇒ Ditto, but watch for wide fall '17 basis bids
- Buying Puts

 ⇒ Yes @ spring/summer rallies
- Marketing Loans

 ⇒ Extremely low Mktg Loan\$ vs Net Put\$s
- Forward Contract + Buy Calls

 ⇒ Use as post-FC rally protection

