

# ***Beef-Cattle Industry Outlook: Highlighted Trends and Changes***

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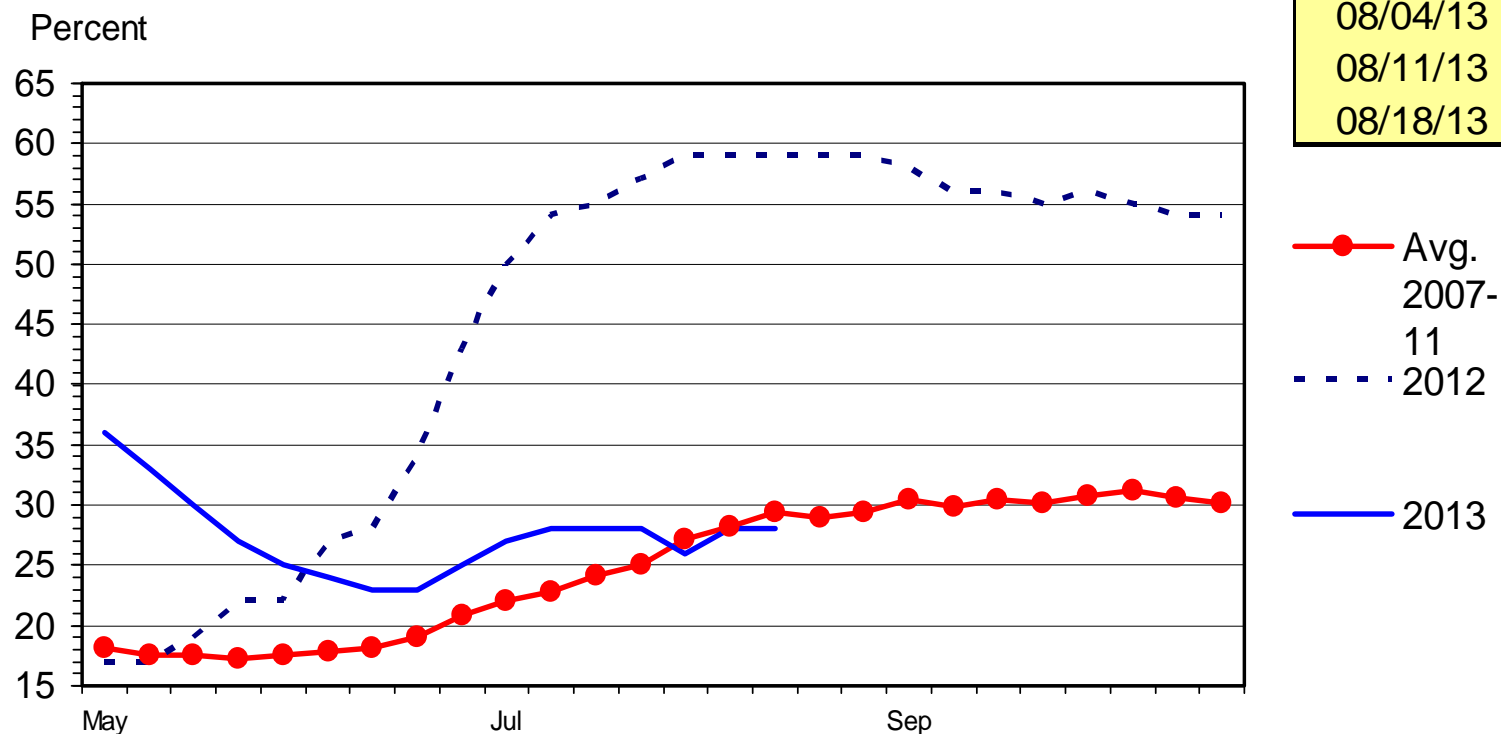


# Overarching Economic Outlook

- Supplies
  - “Certain” Cattle Supplies (hd)
  - Less Certain Beef Supplies (lbs); role of beta-agonists
- Demand
  - Confusing, Recently positive, Work ongoing
- “Misc”
  - Limited excess capacity resolution to-date
  - Ongoing political and regulatory uncertainty drivers...
  - Nationally pasture and feedstuffs situation has improved

# US RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



Beef Cows in states with 40% Poor to Very Poor		
Last year	Cows	% of Total
08/05/12	23006	<b>76.50%</b>
08/12/12	23305	<b>77.49%</b>
08/19/12	23205	<b>77.16%</b>
This Year		
08/04/13	9195	<b>31.47%</b>
08/11/13	7867	<b>26.92%</b>
08/18/13	7867	<b>26.92%</b>

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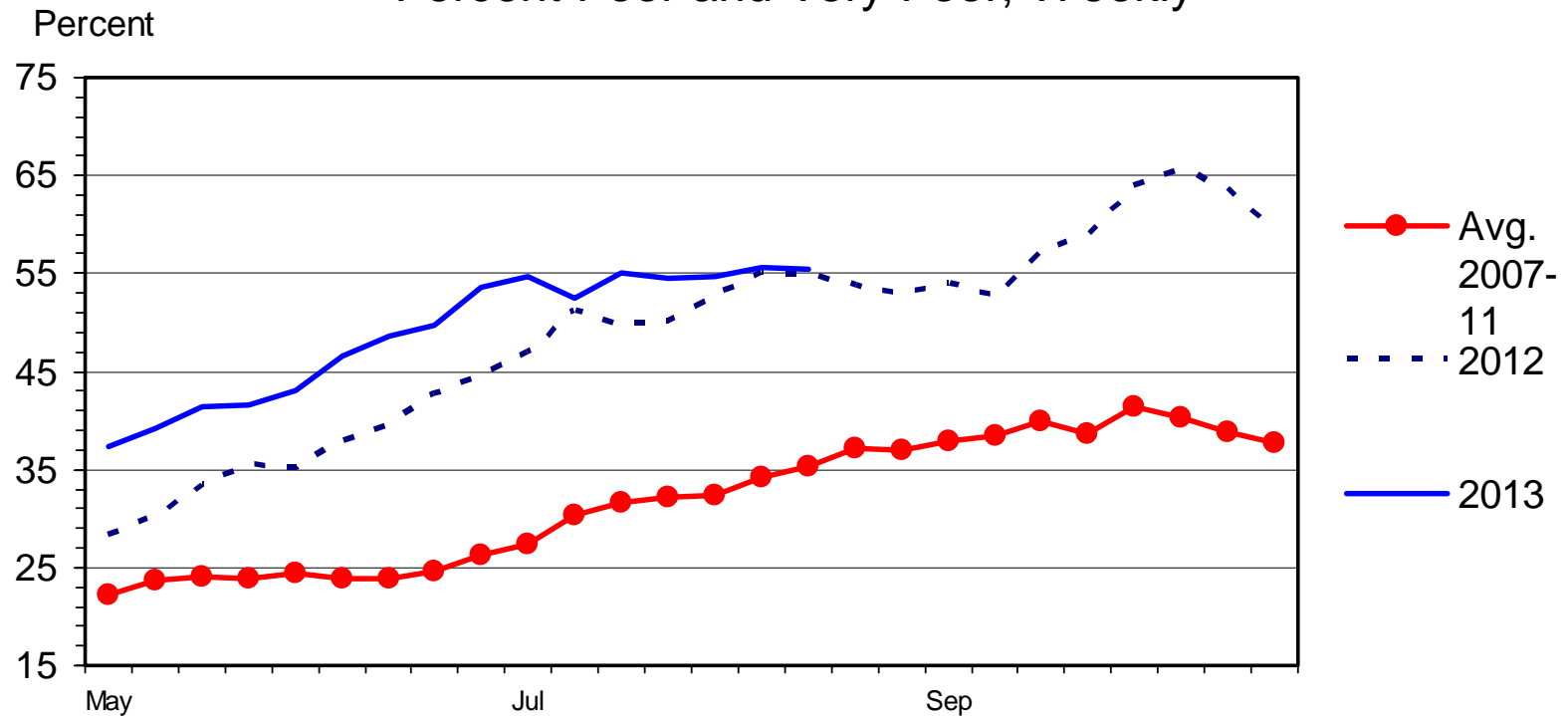
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08/19/13

(AZ, CA, ID, NV,  
NM, OR, UT, WA)  
10.2% of Cows

## WESTERN REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



G-NP-31  
08/19/13

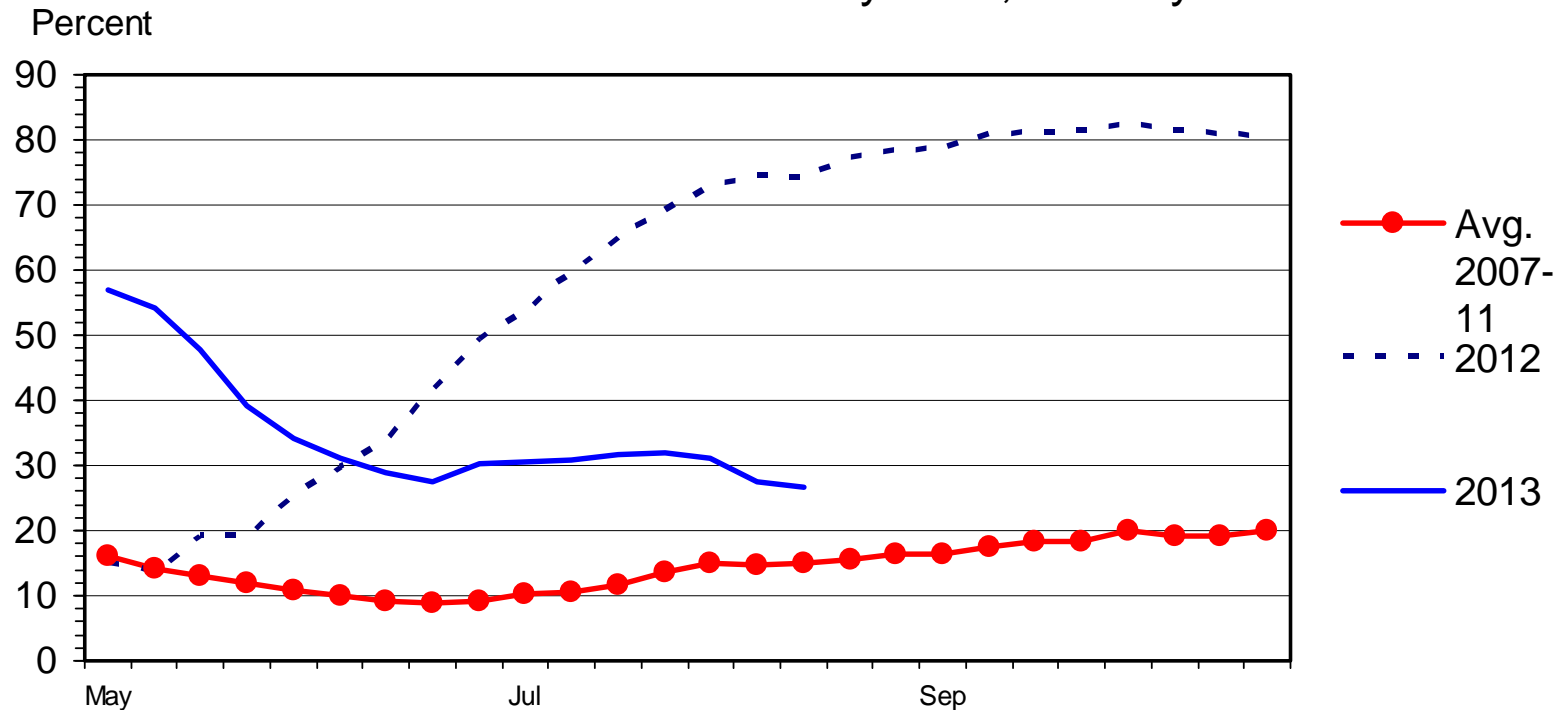
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(CO, KS, MT, NE,  
ND, SD, WY)  
29.6% of Cows

## GREAT PLAINS REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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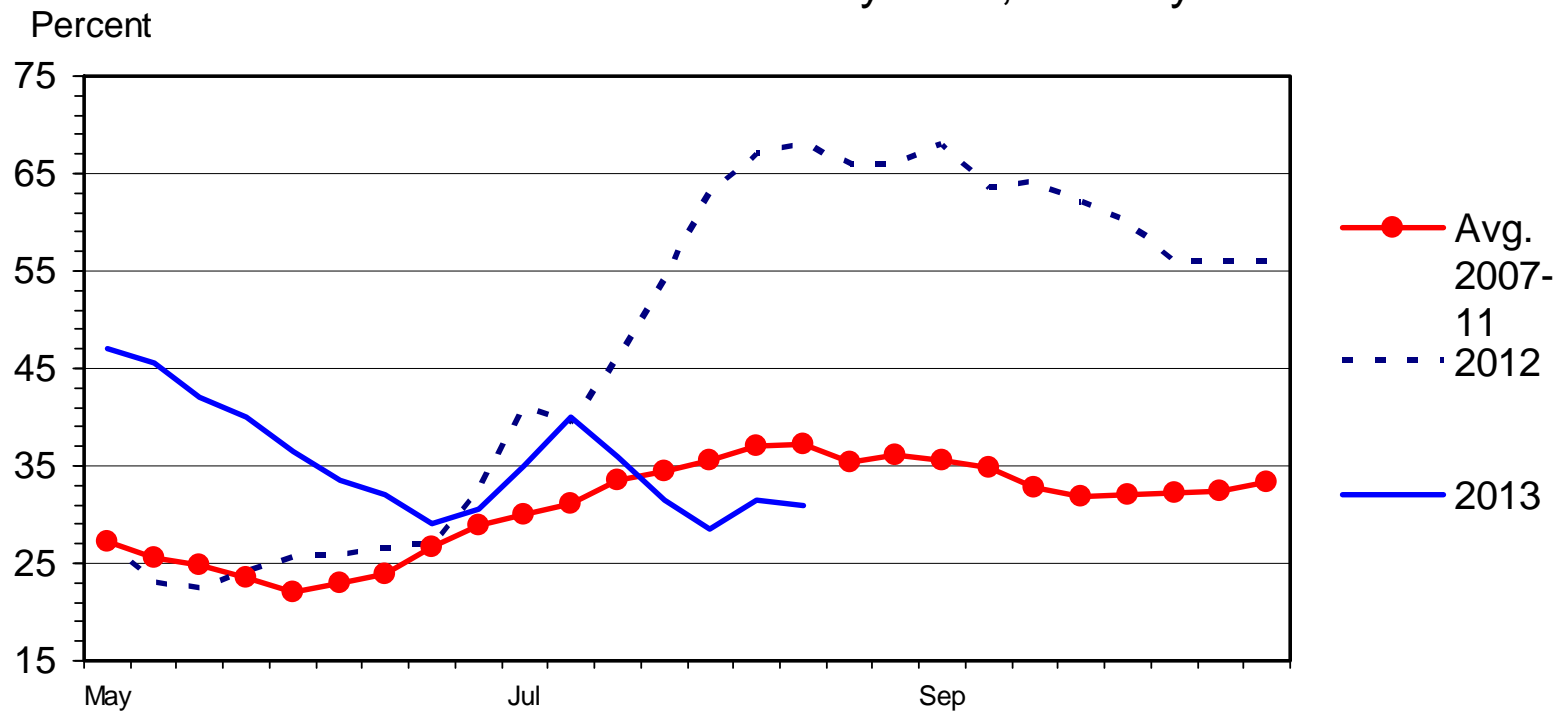
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08/19/13

(OK, TX)  
19.7% of Cows

## SOUTHERN PLAINS REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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08/19/13

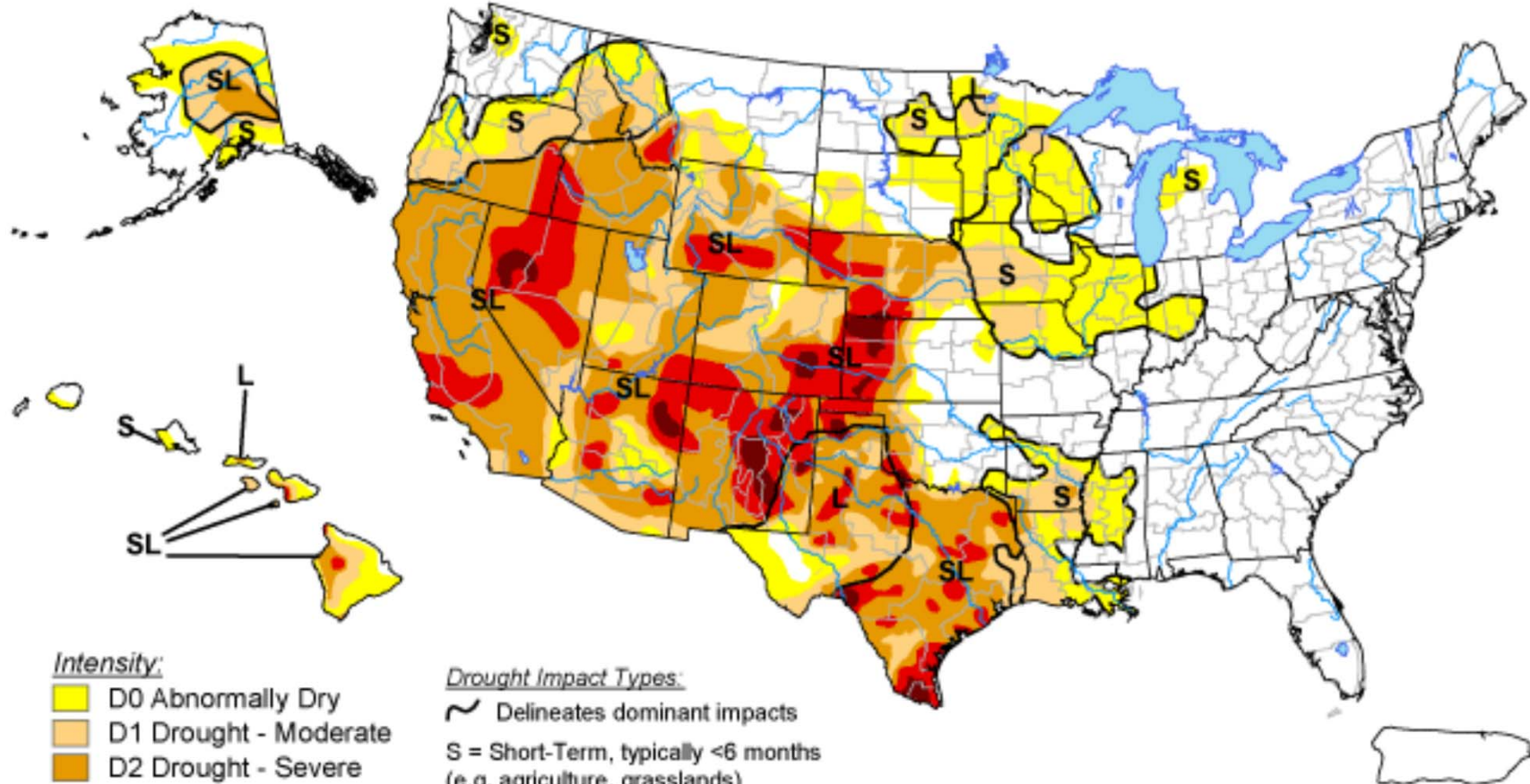
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# U.S. Drought Monitor

August 20, 2013

Valid 7 a.m. EDT



## Intensity:

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

## Drought Impact Types:

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

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

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

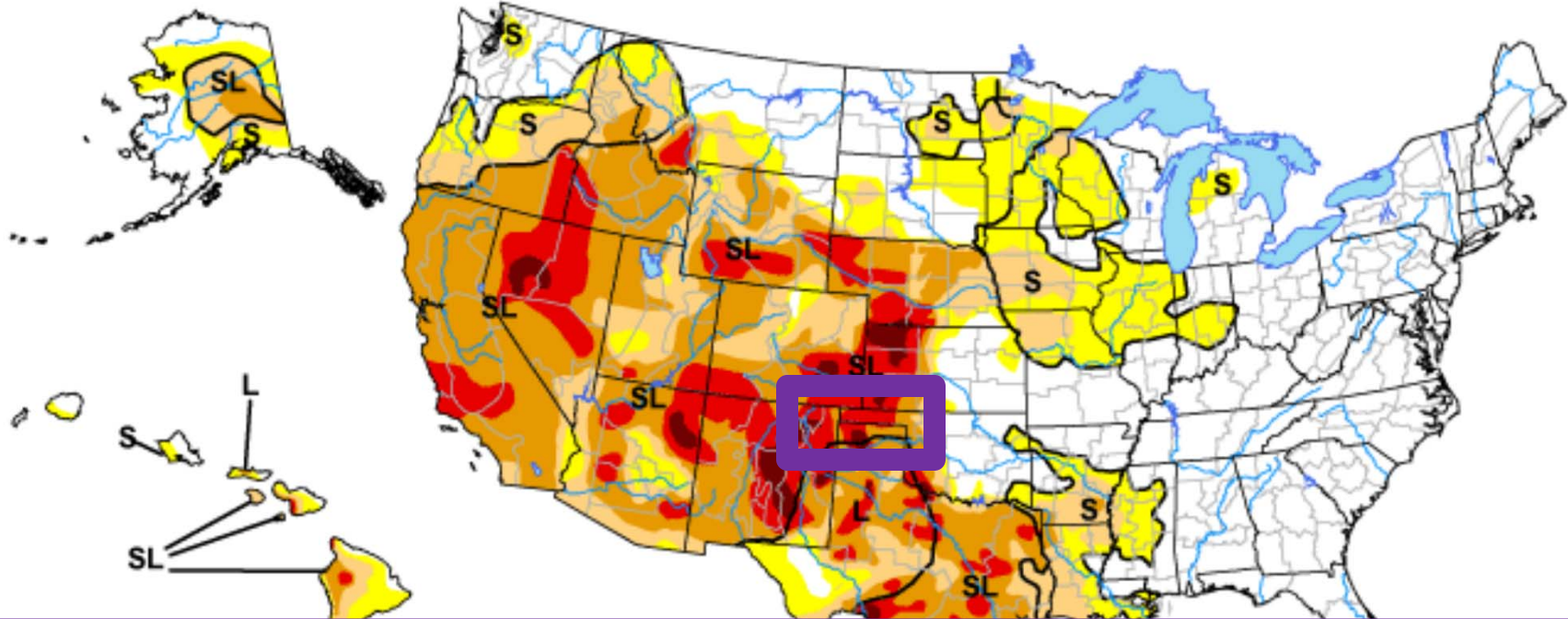


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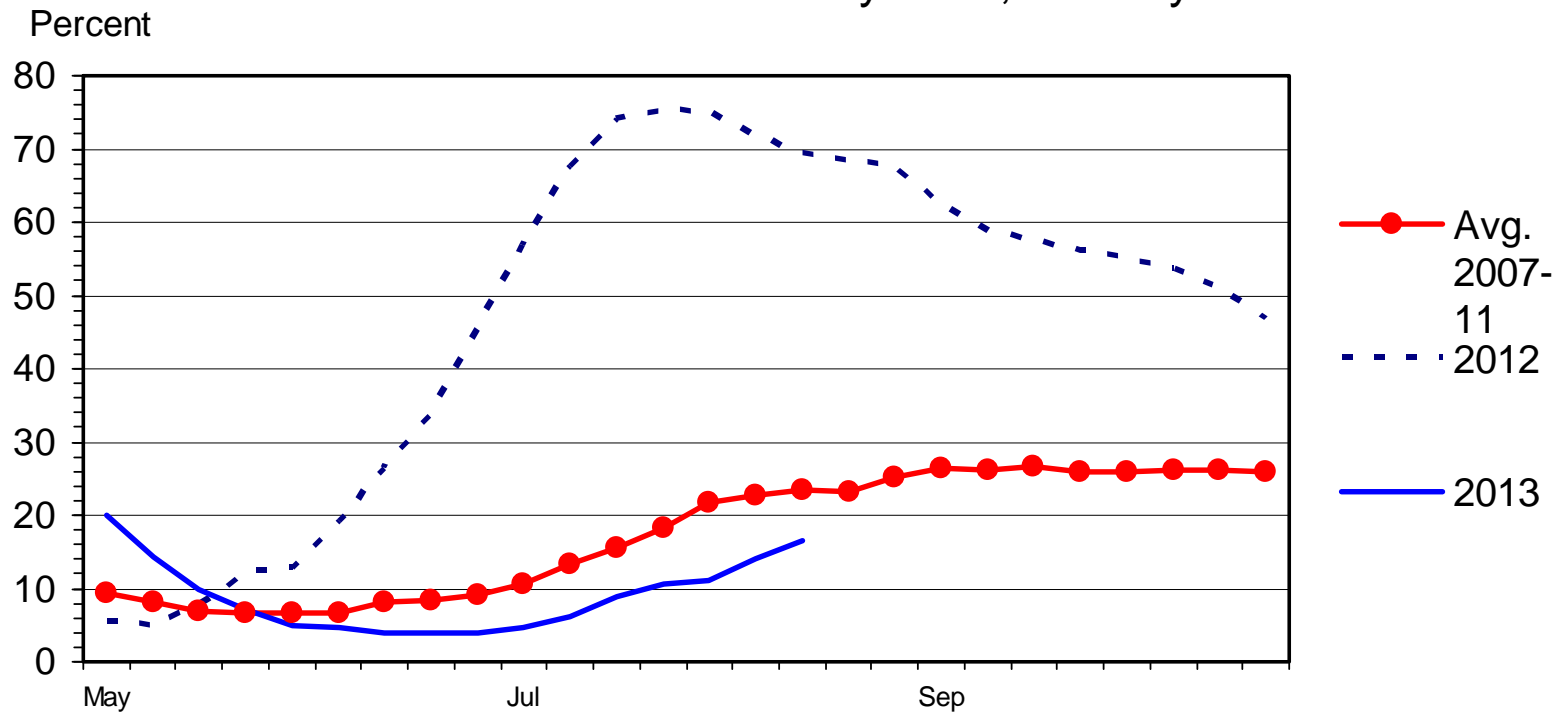
**TREND: CONDITIONS "HERE" ARE MASKED  
BY AGGREGATE STATE/REGION LEVEL  
INFORMATION**



(IL, IN, IA, MI, MN,  
MO, OH, WI)  
14.6% of Cows

## CORNBELT REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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08/19/13

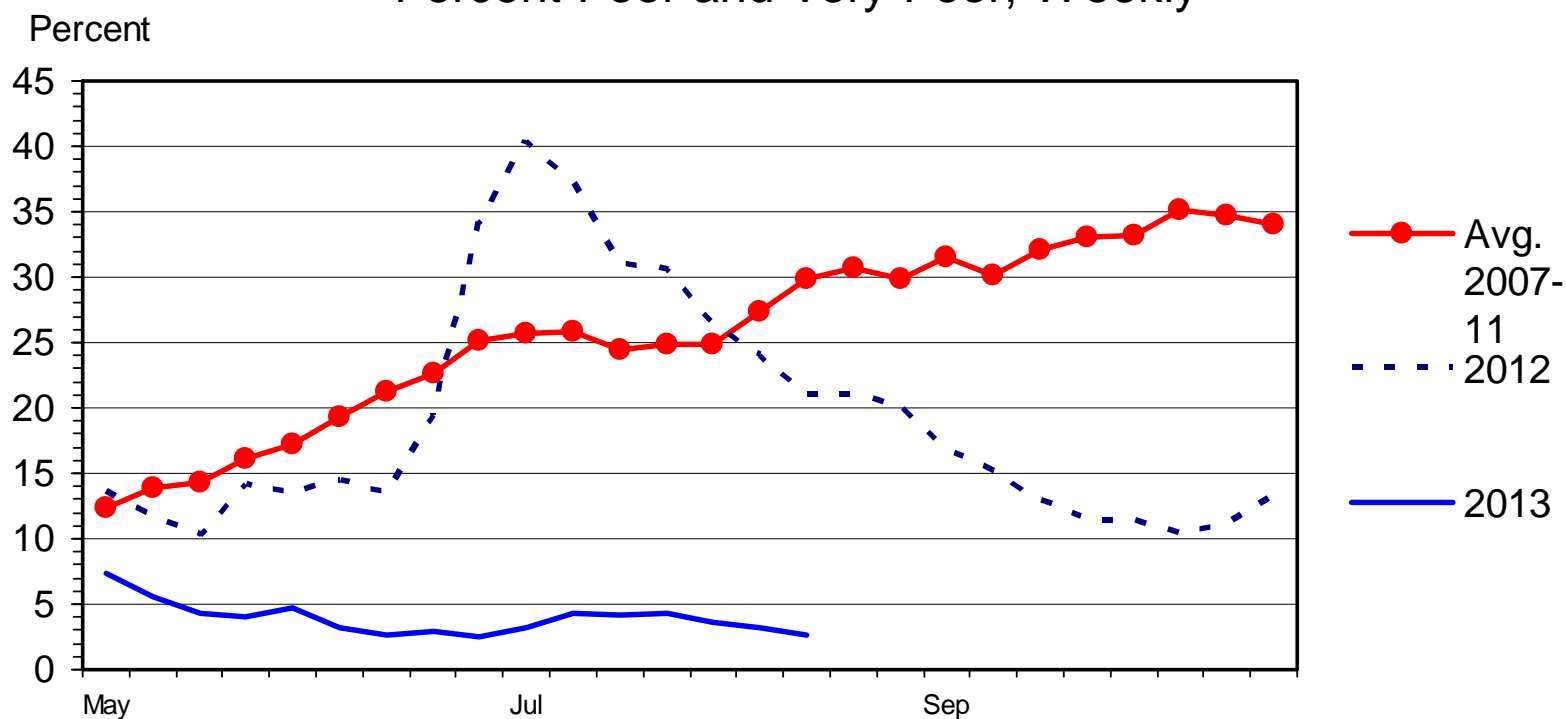
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(AL, AR, FL, GA, KY,  
LA, MS, NC, SC,  
TN, VA, WV)  
24.7% of Cows

## SOUTHEAST REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



G-NP-36  
08/19/13

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# Economic Outlook Overview :

## Cow-Calf

- Improving pastures (nationally), lower forage prices + higher calf prices...
- Are “current improvements” sufficient to trigger expansion?
  - To-date I’d say expansion has NOT been initiated
    - Wait for Jan. 2014 Cattle Inventory Report ...
      - Ad hoc consensus of LMIC members on July 15<sup>th</sup>

**Table 2. Heifers for Beef Cow Replacement (1,000 hd)**

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TX	980	740	760	600	15.4%	13.4%	13.9%	11.2%
NE	260	280	320	350	4.1%	5.1%	5.9%	6.5%
MO	370	280	280	270	5.8%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%
OK	345	370	405	280	5.4%	6.7%	7.4%	5.2%
SD	280	290	285	315	4.4%	5.3%	5.2%	5.9%
MT	355	420	340	435	5.6%	7.6%	6.2%	8.1%
KS	280	230	240	230	4.4%	4.2%	4.4%	4.3%
KY	205	160	150	150	3.2%	2.9%	2.8%	2.8%
IA	160	125	130	150	2.5%	2.3%	2.4%	2.8%
ND	190	156	165	207	3.0%	2.8%	3.0%	3.9%
US	6,364	5,508	5,451	5,361				
Great Plains	1,715	1,631	1,615	1,838	26.9%	29.6%	29.6%	34.3%
Southeast	1,596	1,266	1,223	1,140	25.1%	23.0%	22.4%	21.3%
Southern Plains	1,325	1,110	1,165	880	20.8%	20.2%	21.4%	16.4%
Cornbelt	873	777	752	779	13.7%	14.1%	13.8%	14.5%
West	749	630	599	603	11.8%	11.4%	11.0%	11.3%
Northeast	107	94	97	120	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%	2.2%

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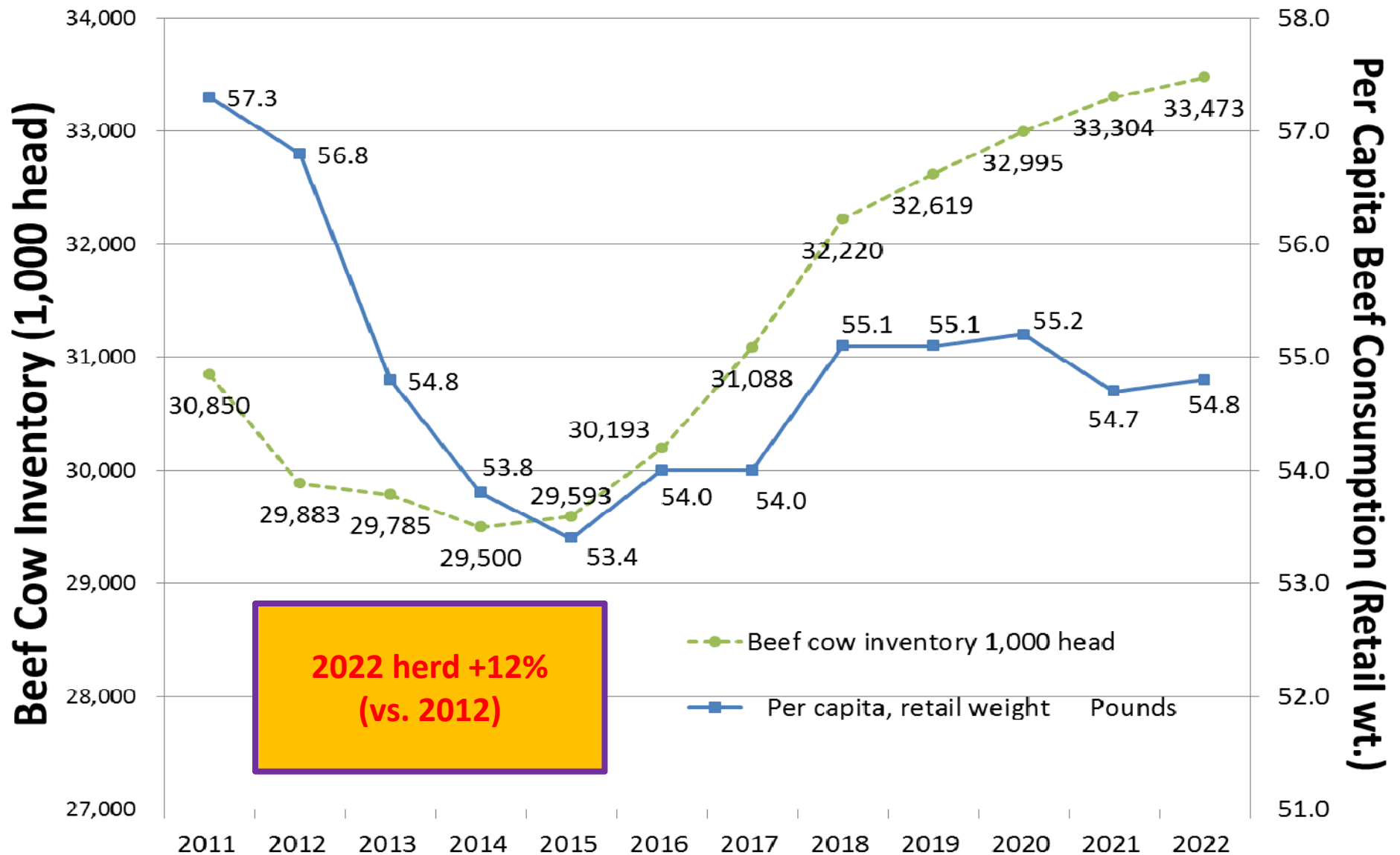
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# Longer-term projections (as of Feb. 2013)

<http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/projections/index.htm>

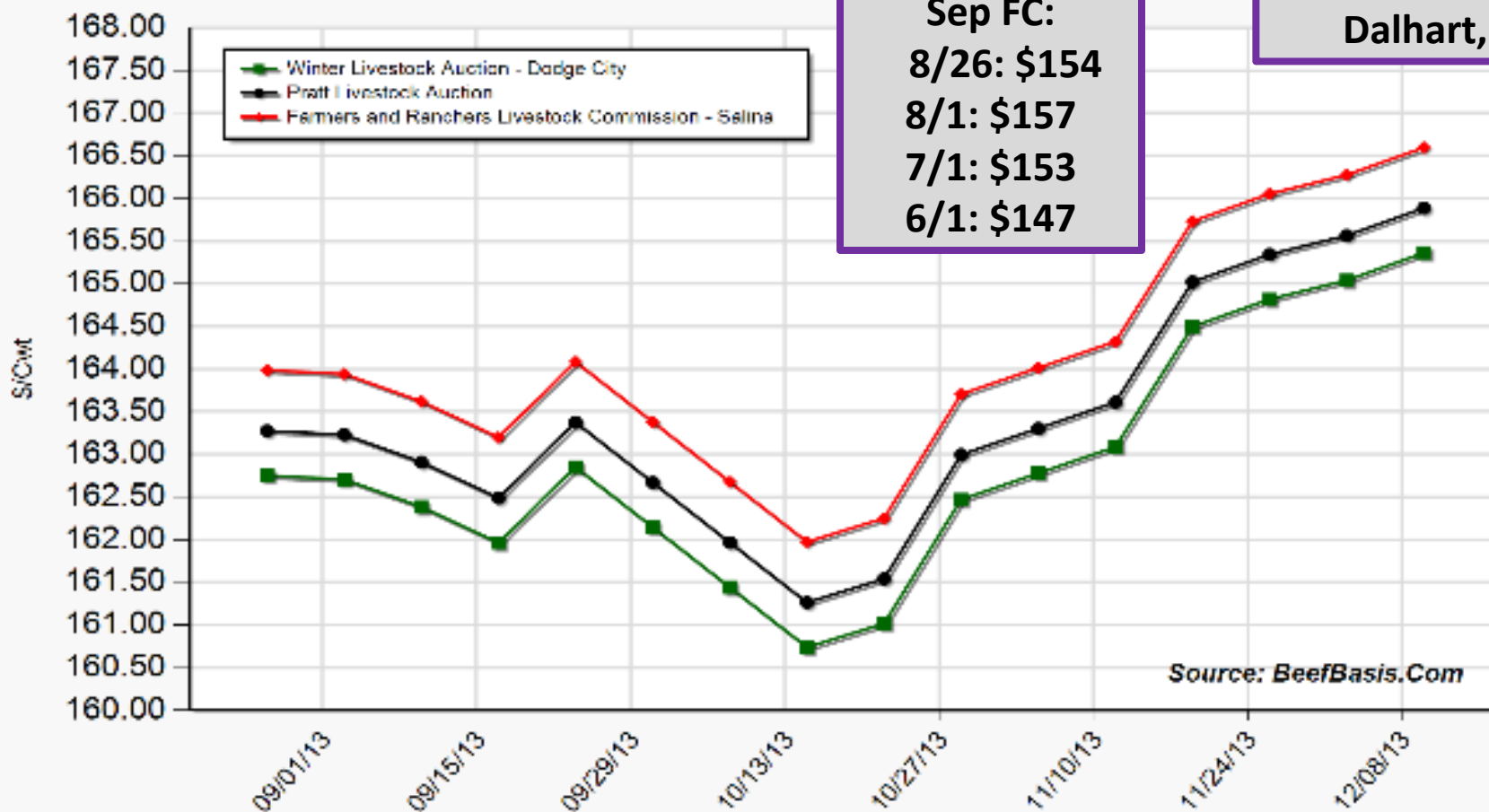
2021 Projection 1.1  
million less than Feb.  
12'



As of: 8/26/13'

**Other BeefBasis  
Markets:  
Woodward, OK  
Clayton, NM  
Dalhart, TX**

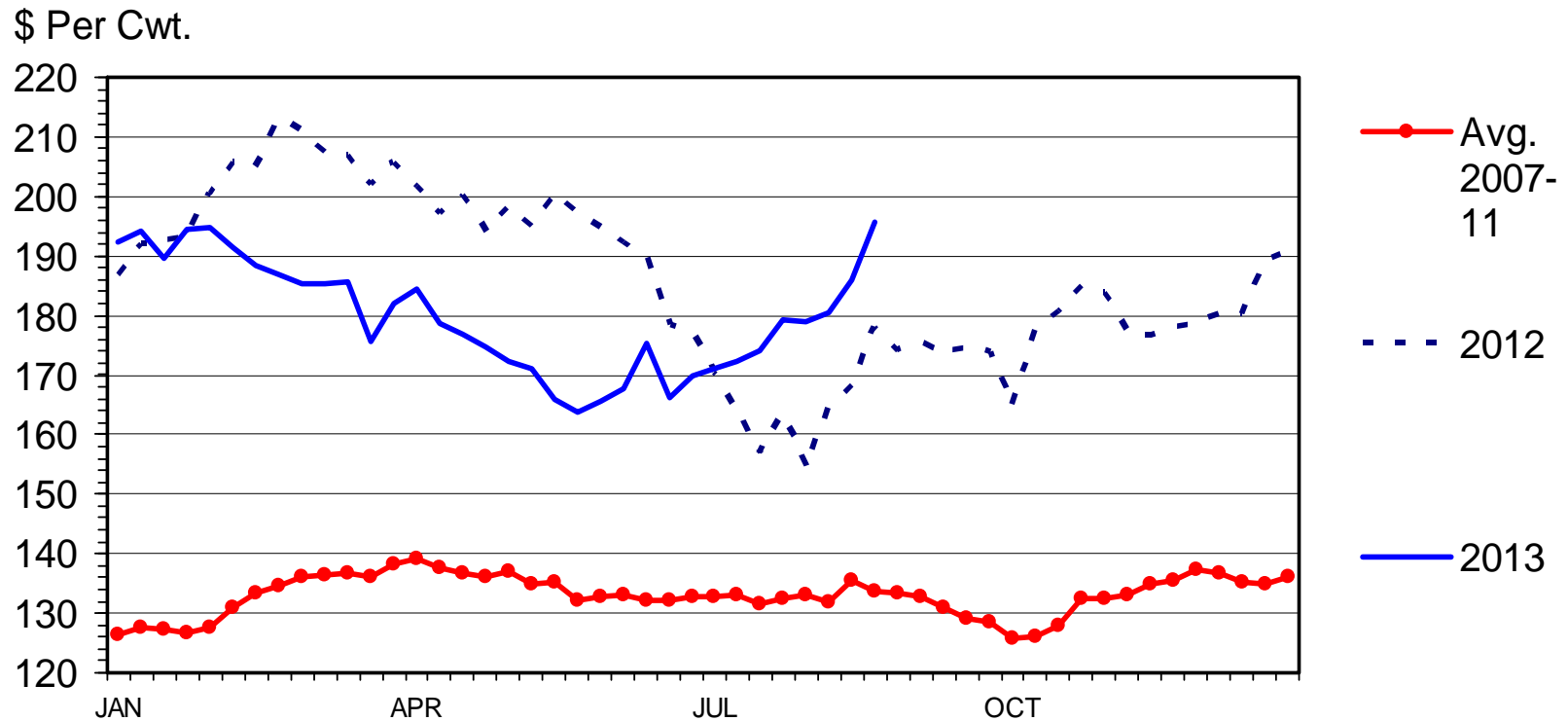
Projected Price for 550 Lb Steer at Selected Kansas Auctions



**Sep FC:**  
**8/26: \$154**  
**8/1: \$157**  
**7/1: \$153**  
**6/1: \$147**

# MED. & LRG. #1 STEER CALF PRICES

## 400-500 Pounds, Southern Plains, Weekly



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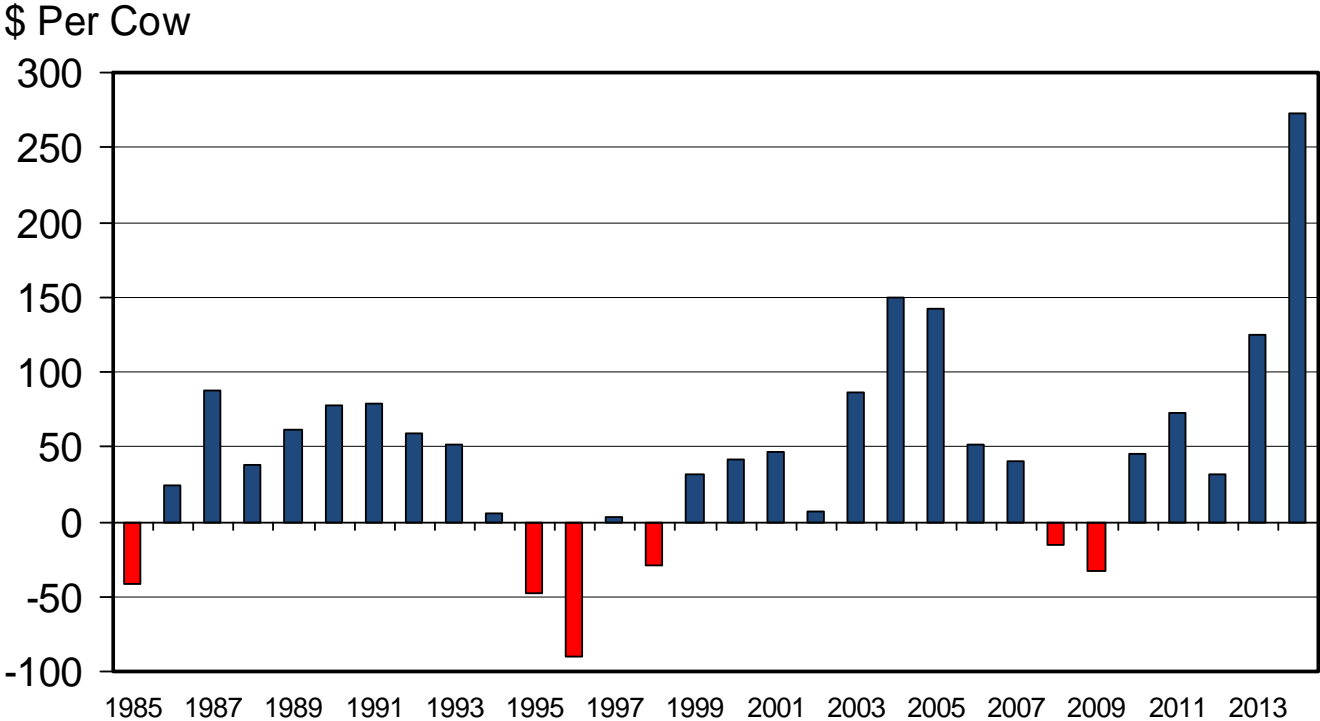
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C-P-49A  
08/26/13



# ESTIMATED AVERAGE COW CALF RETURNS

Returns Over Cash Cost (Includes Pasture Rent), Annual

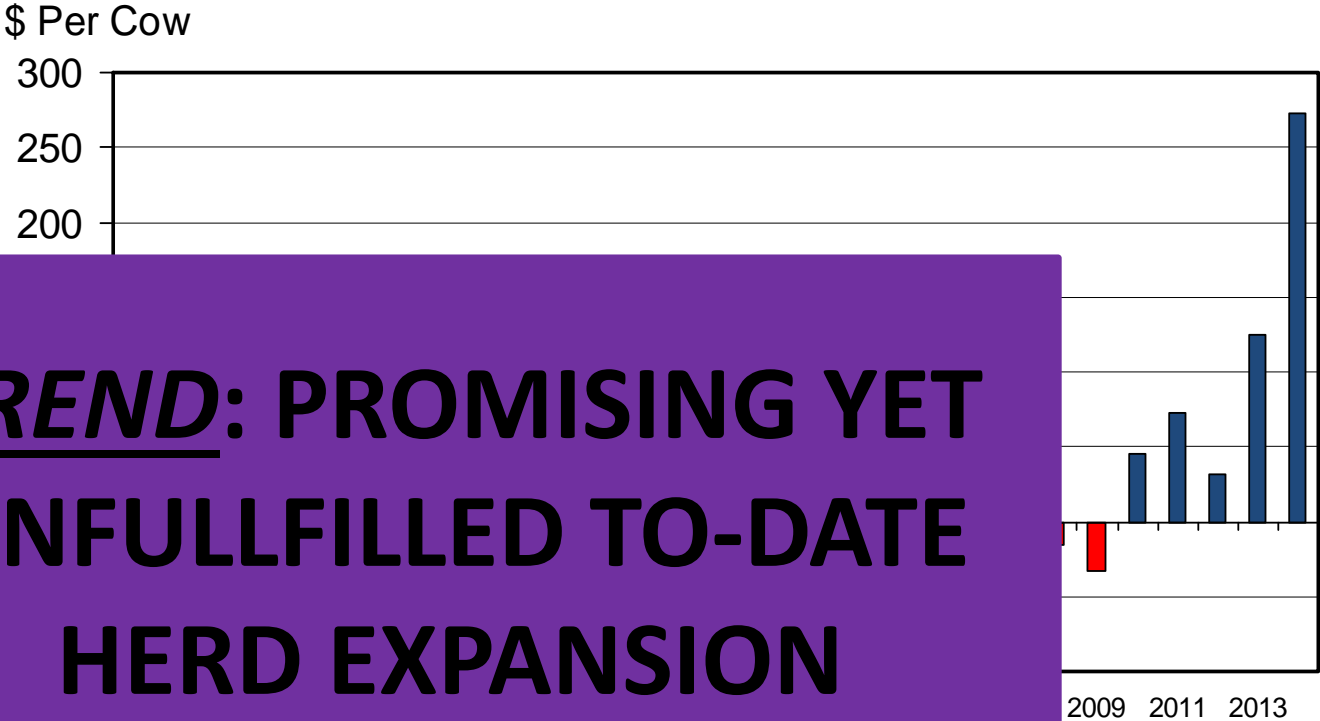


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C-P-66  
08/24/13

# ESTIMATED AVERAGE COW CALF RETURNS

Returns Over Cash Cost (Includes Pasture Rent), Annual



**TREND: PROMISING YET  
UNFULLFILLED TO-DATE  
HERD EXPANSION**

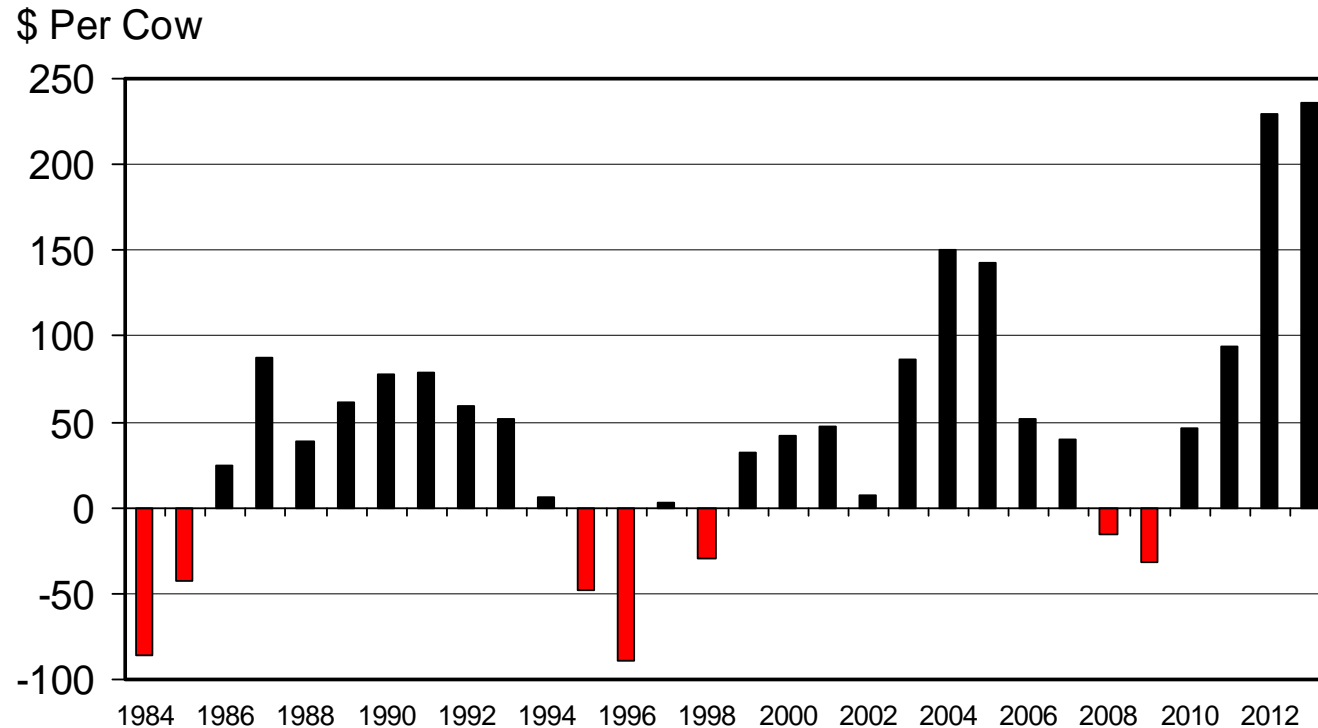
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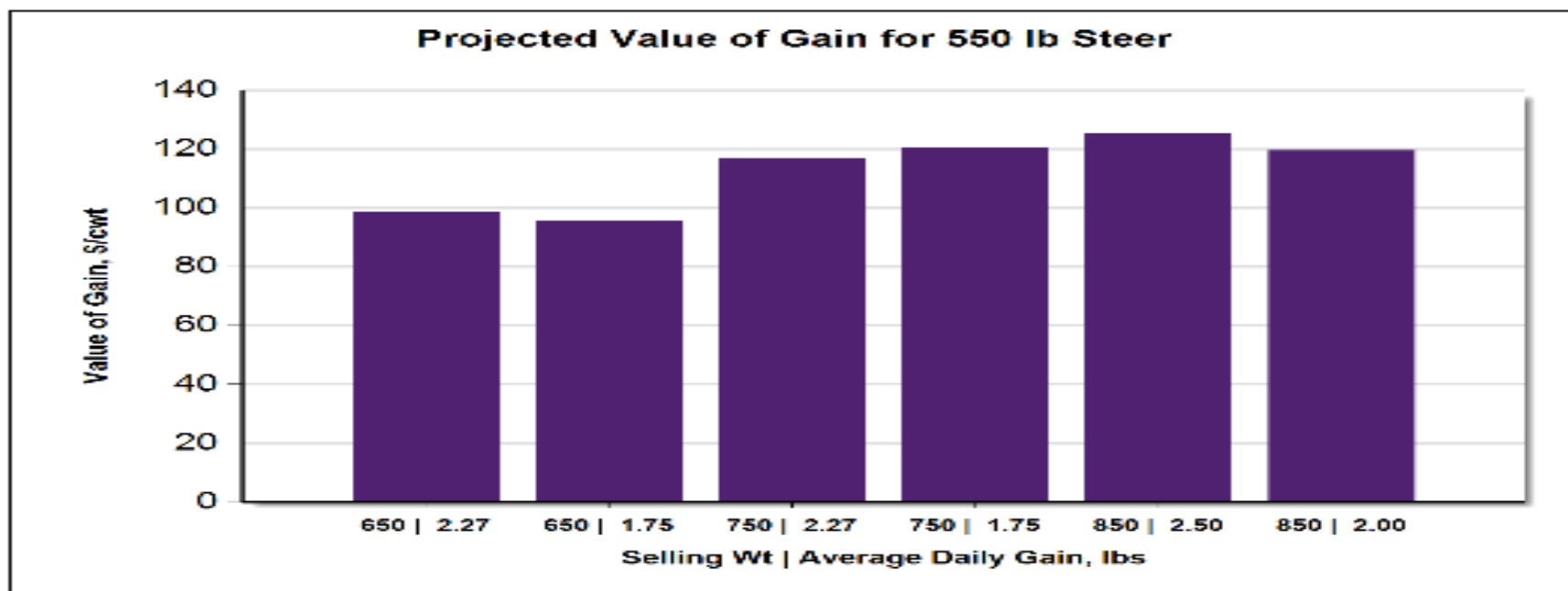
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03/21/12

# Economic Outlook Overview :

## Stockers

- Attractive Values of Gain (VOG) vs. COG
  - For those in many stocker/backgrounding areas ...
- Salina, KS 8/20/13 situation:
  - Buy 550 lb steer on 10/16/13 (\$165.30)
  - Sell 750 lb steer on 1/15/14 (\$154.34) {2.17 ADG}
    - VOG: \$124.21/cwt
      - <http://www.beefbasis.com/ForecastingTools/ValueofGain/tabid/1132/Default.aspx>

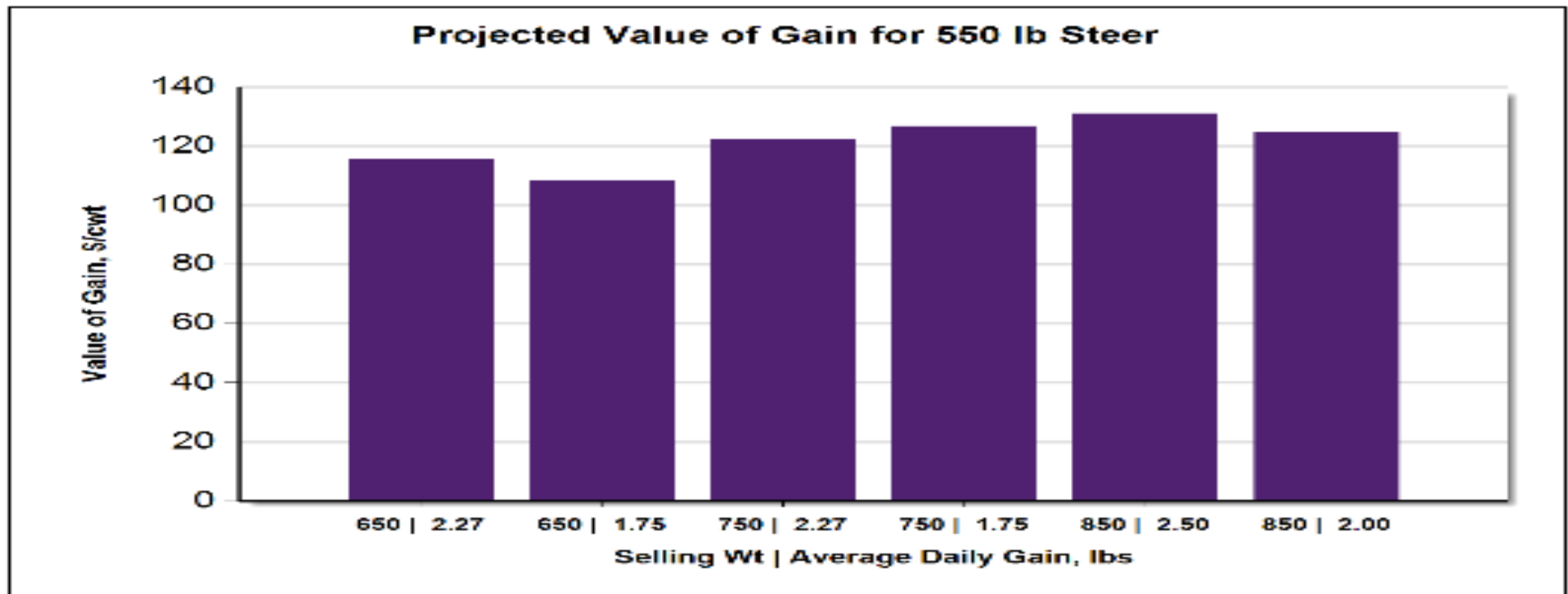


Projected Value of Gain					
Beginning Weight, lbs	Ending Weight, lbs	Date	Weight Gain, lbs/hd	ADG, lbs	Value of Gain, \$/cwt
550	650	10/10/2013	100	2.27	\$98.47
550	650	10/23/2013	100	1.75	\$95.80
550	750	11/23/2013	200	2.27	\$116.90
550	750	12/19/2013	200	1.75	\$120.31
550	850	12/25/2013	300	2.50	\$125.39
550	850	01/24/2014	300	2.00	\$119.61

Note: Projections derived for the Salina, KS market using BeefBasis.com  
 Related information is available at: BeefBasis.com

8/27/2013

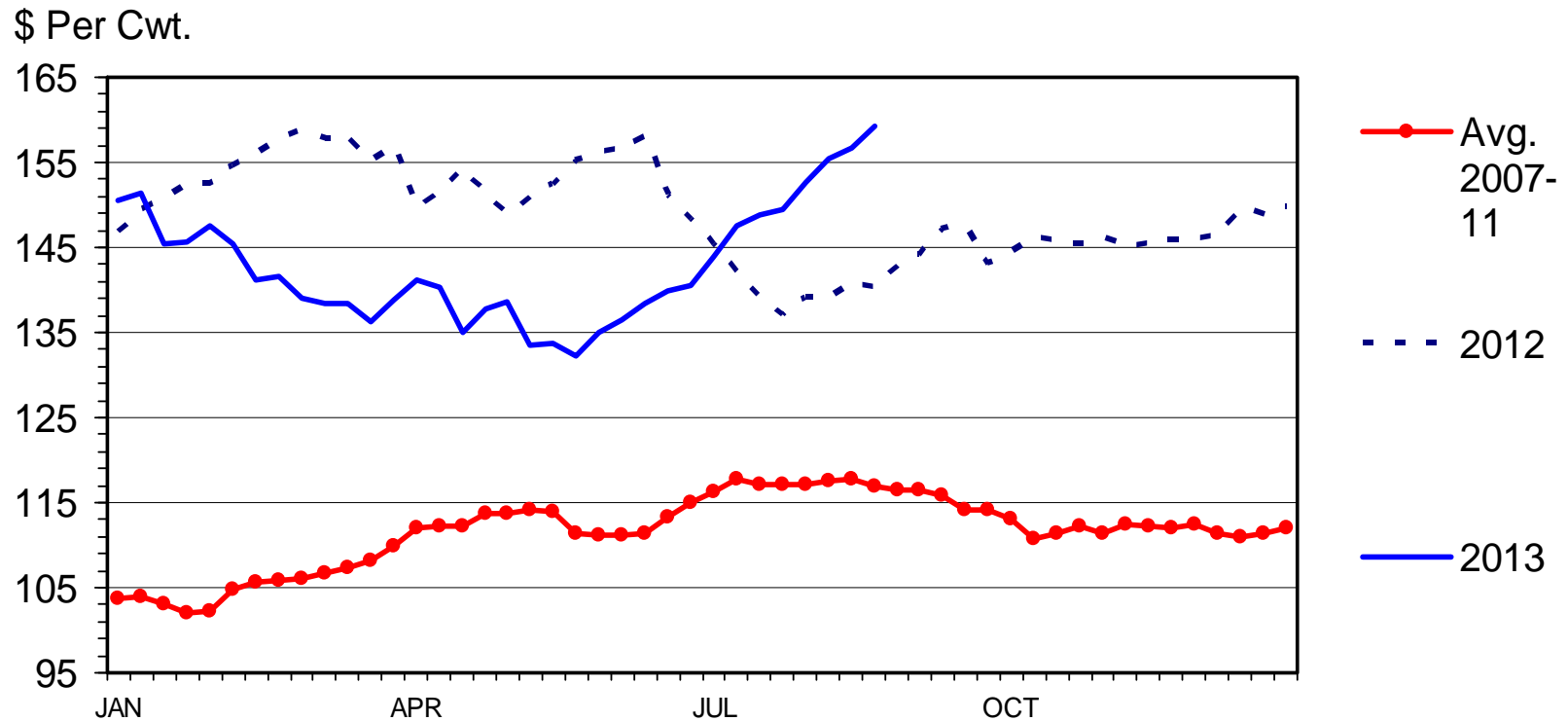




**TREND: HISTORICALLY HIGHER VOG  
OFFERINGS FOR HEAVIER FEEDERS**

# MED. & LRG. #1 FEEDER STEER PRICES

## 700-800 Pounds, Southern Plains, Weekly



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Data Source: USDA-AMS, Compiled & Analysis by LMIC

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08/26/13

# Economic Outlook Overview :

## Feedlots

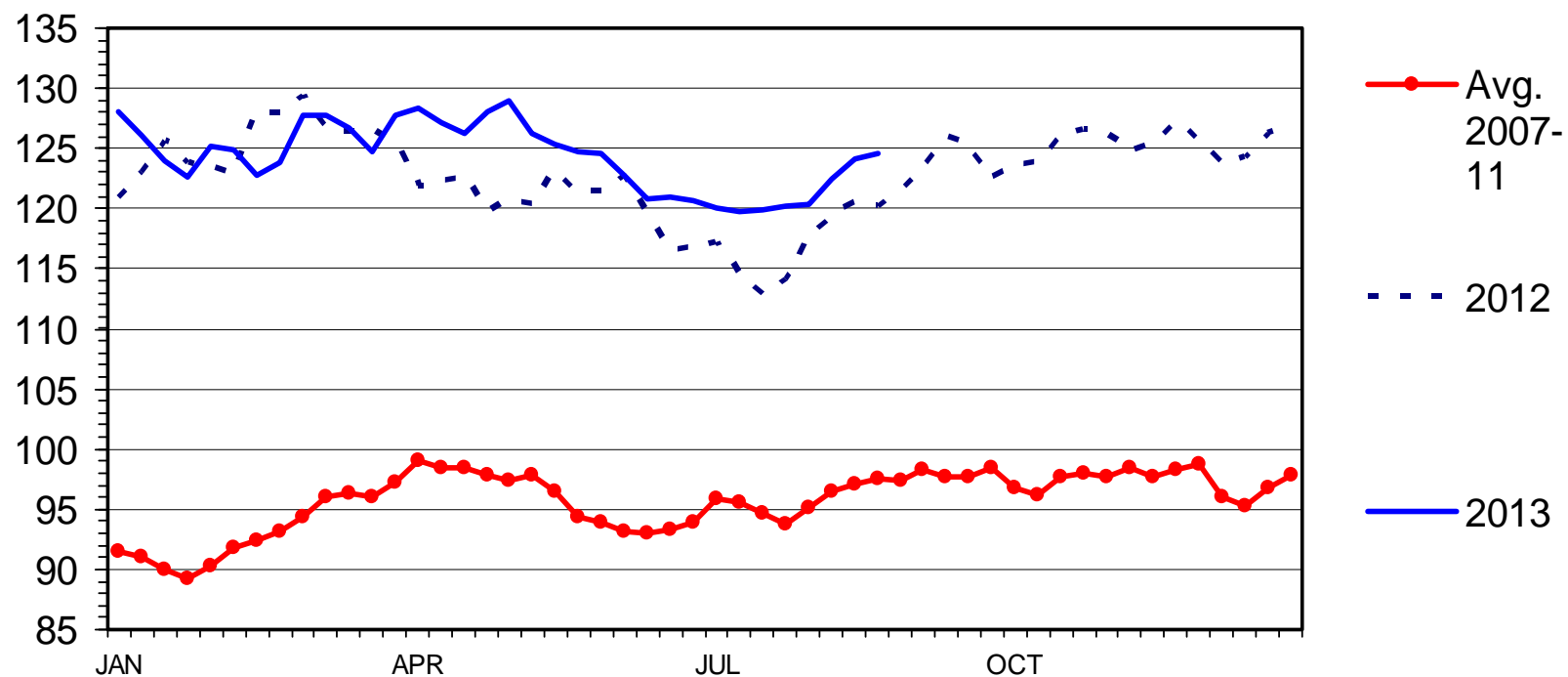
- Excess capacity concerns continue to grow:
  - Heifer Retention (?), MCOOL, *Zilmax*<sup>®</sup> use
  - Feb. 13' ERS projection: 12% herd growth by 2022
- Closeouts have been at historically high losses...
- Temporary “light at end of the tunnel” ???



# SLAUGHTER STEER PRICES

## 5 Market Weighted Average, Weekly

\$ Per Cwt.



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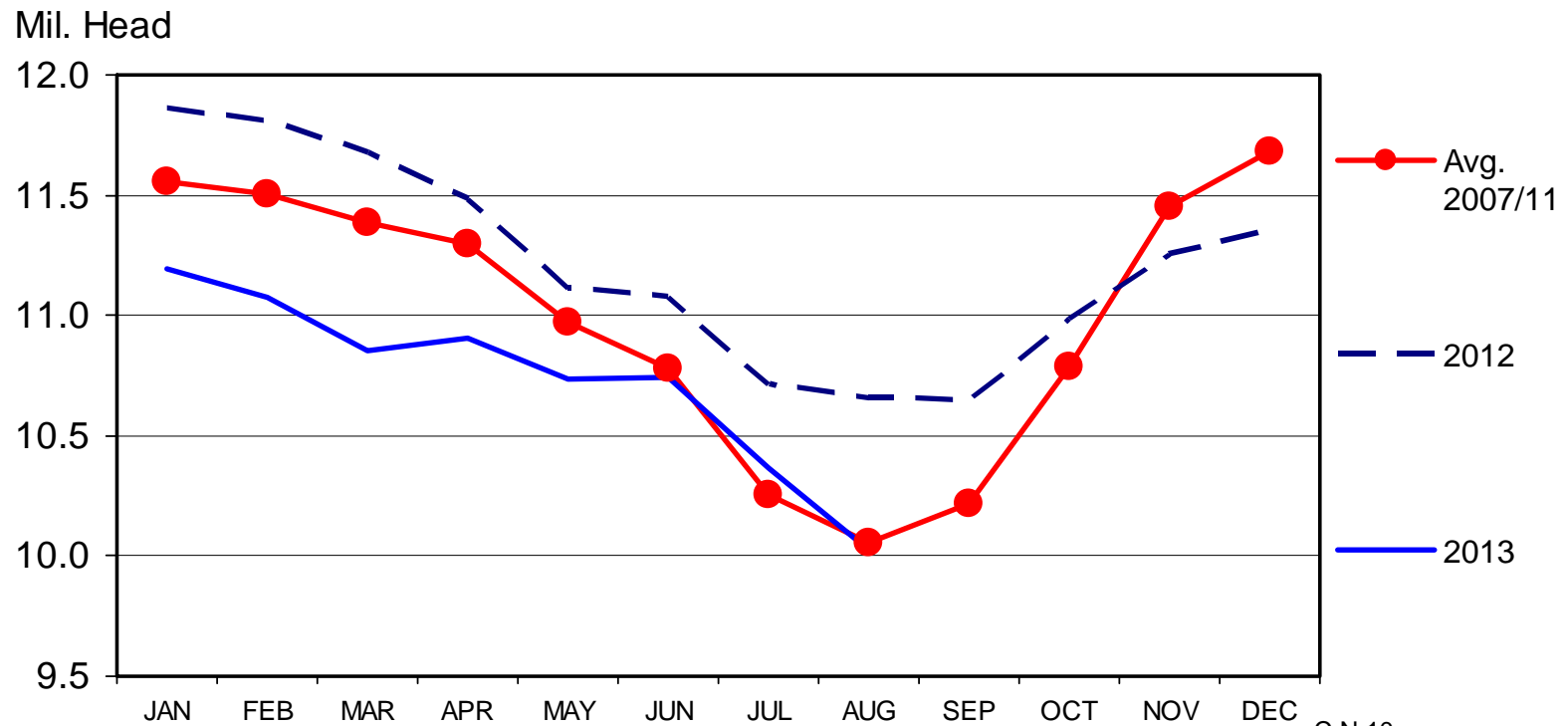
Pre- 8/23 COF Report Estimates:

On Feed Aug 1 (- 4.2%) {-5.6% to -1.8%}

Actual Report: - 5.9%

## CATTLE ON FEED

US Total, Monthly



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Data Source: USDA-NASS

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08/23/13

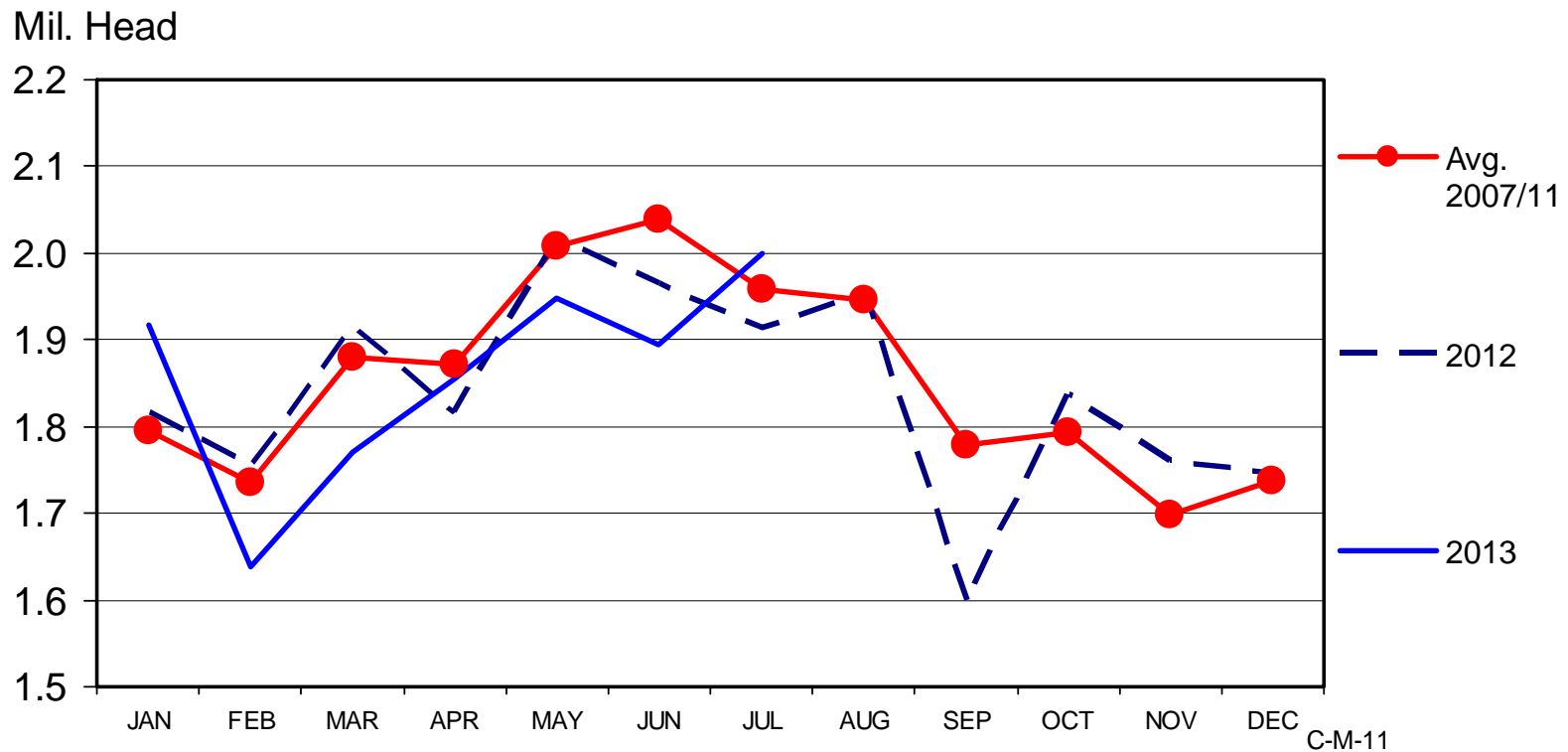
Pre- 8/23 COF Report Estimates:

Marketed in July (+ 4.4%) {+2.5% to +6.1%}

Actual Report: + 4.5%

## FED CATTLE MARKETINGS

US Total, Monthly



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Data Source: USDA-NASS

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08/23/13

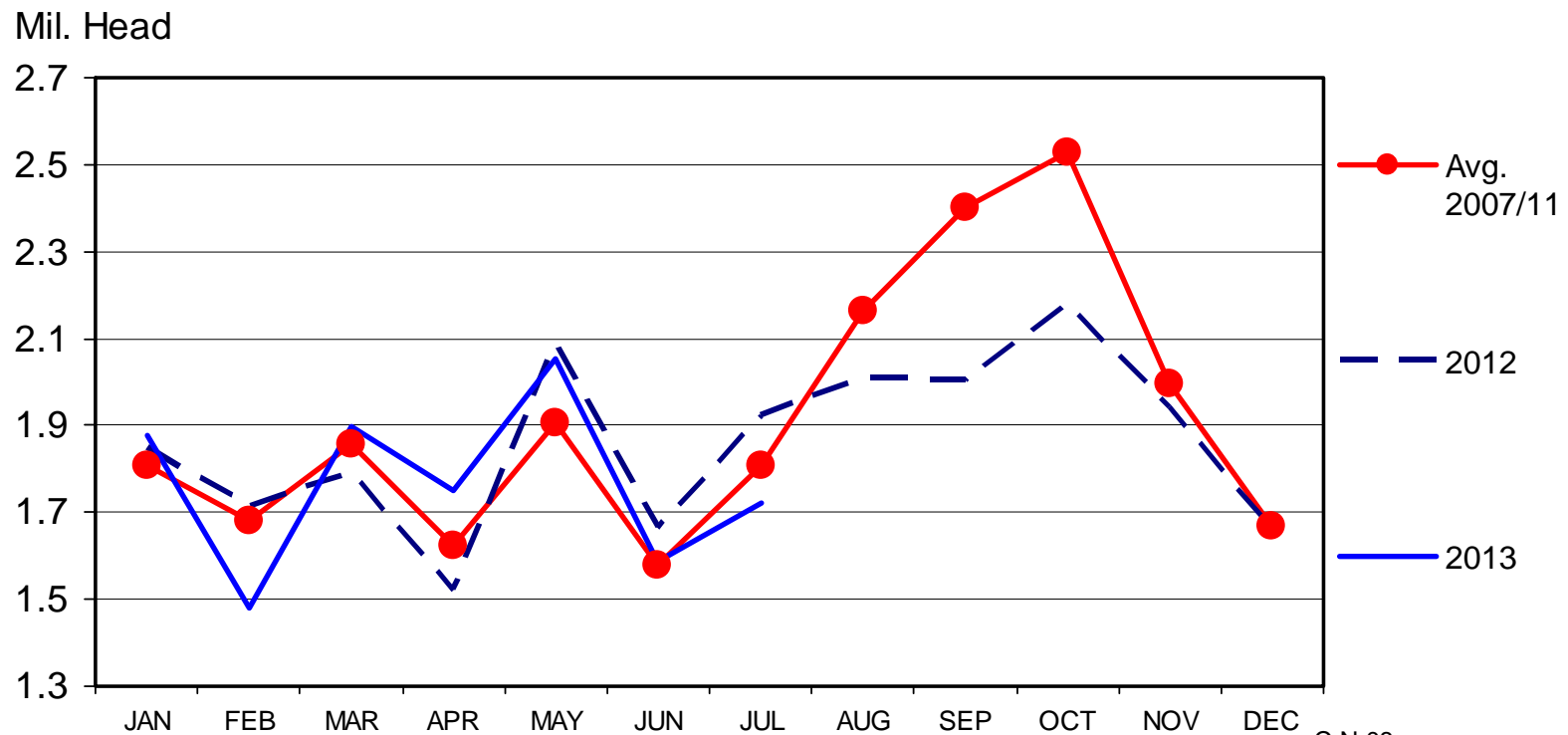
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Actual Report: -10.4%

## FEEDLOT PLACEMENTS

US Total, Monthly



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Data Source: USDA-NASS

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July Feeder Cattle Imports  
from Mexico: -54% Yr-o-Yr

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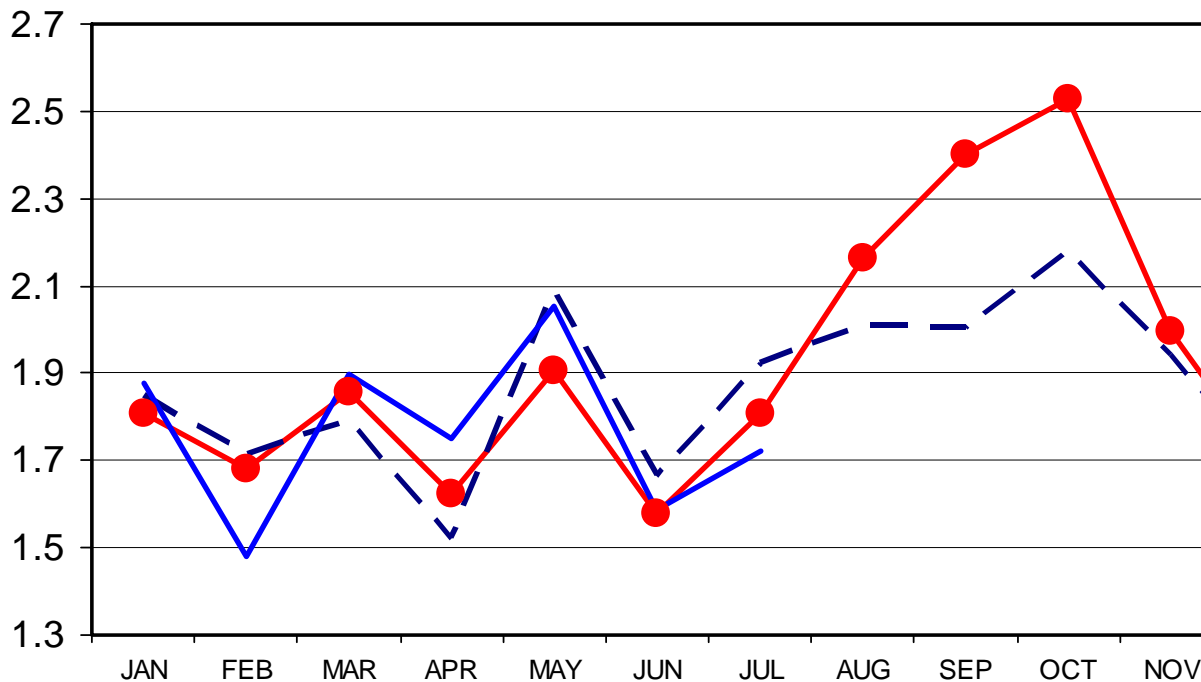
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US Total, Monthly

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**TREND: TIGHT  
FEEDER  
CATTLE  
SUPPLIES WILL  
INCREASINGLY  
APPEAR IN  
REDUCED  
BEEF  
VOLUMES**

# Historical and Projected Kansas Feedlot Net Returns (as of 8/5/13')

(<http://www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/outlook/newsletters/FinishingRet>)

**June 13': -\$211/steer**

**Oct LC:**

**8/26: \$127.08**

**8/1: \$124.50**

**7/1: \$126.25**

**6/1: \$122.75**

**Table 1. Projected Values for Finishing Steers in Kansas Feedyards\***

Closeout Mo-Yr	Net Return	FCOG**	Fed Price	Feeder Price	Breakeven FCOG**	Breakeven Fed Price	Breakeven Feeder Price
Jul-13	-158.61	116.31	118.96	137.74	87.88	130.48	118.36
Aug-13	-45.54	119.27	126.30	133.26	110.66	129.55	128.03
Sep-13	-15.22	112.01	126.03	133.18	108.94	127.12	131.48
Oct-13	23.12	107.78	128.87	135.47	112.46	127.22	138.01
Nov-13	0.94	102.50	129.29	142.71	102.68	129.22	142.81
Dec-13	-11.93	97.45	129.41	148.59	95.29	130.25	147.21

**Representative Barometer for Trends in Profitability**

## *Zilmax*<sup>®</sup> Use

- Beef production direction ‘certain’
  - +/- 29 lbs on steer carcass; 23 lbs for heifers
    - *Zilmax*<sup>®</sup> adds 6-8 lbs more than *Optaflexx*<sup>®</sup>
- *Magnitude of impact is very uncertain*
  - Ultimately, how does % of fed cattle on *Zilmax*<sup>®</sup>, *Optaflexx*<sup>®</sup>, Neither change?
    - ***How long will these changes last???***

## *Zilmax*<sup>®</sup> Use

- August 19, 2013 Daily Livestock Report (DLR w/ CME Group):
  - Approval and proper usage of products is “necessary but not sufficient”...

**TREND: PRODUCTION PRACTICES WILL  
INCREASINGLY BE QUESTIONED AND  
DEBATED IN PUBLIC FORUMS**



## Quarterly Forecasts (LMIC: 08/12/13)

Year Quarter	Comm'l Slaughter	% Chg. from Year Ago	Average Dressed Weight	% Chg. from Year Ago	Comm'l Beef Production	% Chg. from Year Ago
2012						
I	8,026	-3.5	782.7	1.5	6,282	-2.0
II	8,309	-3.8	779.0	2.6	6,473	-1.3
III	8,333	-4.6	790.3	2.5	6,586	-2.2
IV	8,283	-1.3	793.5	2.6	6,572	1.3
Year	32,951	-3.3	786.4	2.3	25,913	-1.1
2013						
I	7,779	-3.1	793.4	1.4	6,172	-1.7
II	8,325	0.2	782.8	0.5	6,517	0.7
III	8,112	-2.7	796.1	0.7	6,458	-1.9
IV	7,662	-7.5	798.7	0.7	6,120	-6.9
Year	31,878	-3.3	792.6	0.8	25,267	-2.5
2014						
I	7,221	-7.2	802.2	1.1	5,793	-6.1
II	7,749	-6.9	791.1	1.1	6,130	-5.9
III	7,520	-7.3	804.3	1.0	6,048	-6.3
IV	7,151	-6.7	805.9	0.9	5,763	-5.8
Year	29,641	-7.0	800.7	1.0	23,734	-6.1

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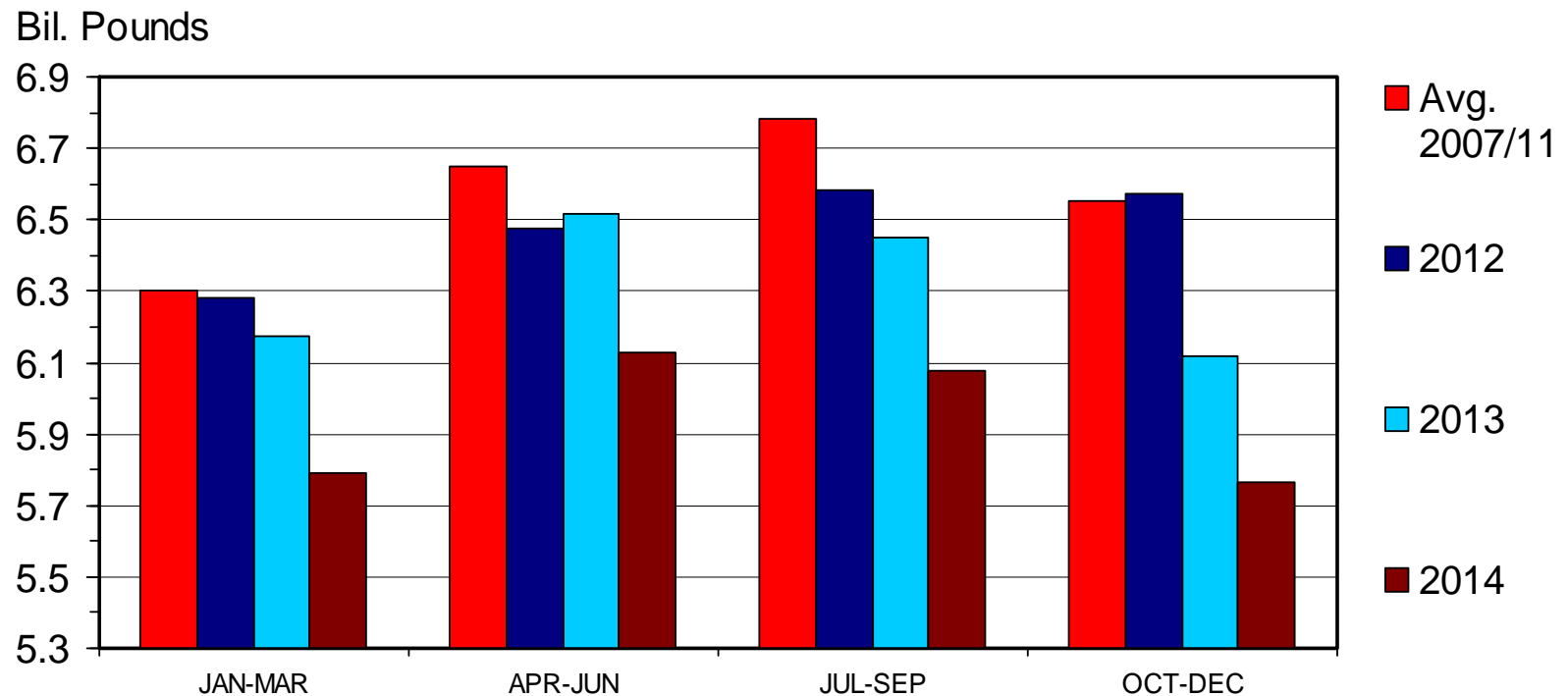
**TREND: HIGHER DRESSED WEIGHTS  
SLIGHTLY OFFSET DECLINING CALF CROPS  
TO MITIGATE BEEF VOLUME IMPACTS**

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Year Quarter	Live Sltr. Steer Price	% Chg. from	Feeder Steer Price	
	5-Mkt Avg	Year Ago	7-800#	5-600#
<b>2012</b>				
I	125.30	13.8	154.25	182.41
II	120.91	7.2	152.65	178.65
III	119.69	4.9	141.82	150.57
IV	125.54	2.9	146.50	161.42
<b>Year</b>	<b>122.86</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>148.81</b>	<b>168.26</b>
<b>2013</b>				
I	125.51	0.2	142.41	170.13
II	124.95	3.3	137.34	159.71
III	122-123	2.3	147-150	165-168
IV	127-130	2.4	145-149	163-168
<b>Year</b>	<b>125-126</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>143-145</b>	<b>164-167</b>
<b>2014</b>				
I	129-133	4.4	148-153	173-180
II	131-136	6.8	152-159	179-188
III	128-134	6.9	155-163	175-186
IV	130-137	3.9	153-162	171-184
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# COMMERCIAL BEEF PRODUCTION

## Quarterly



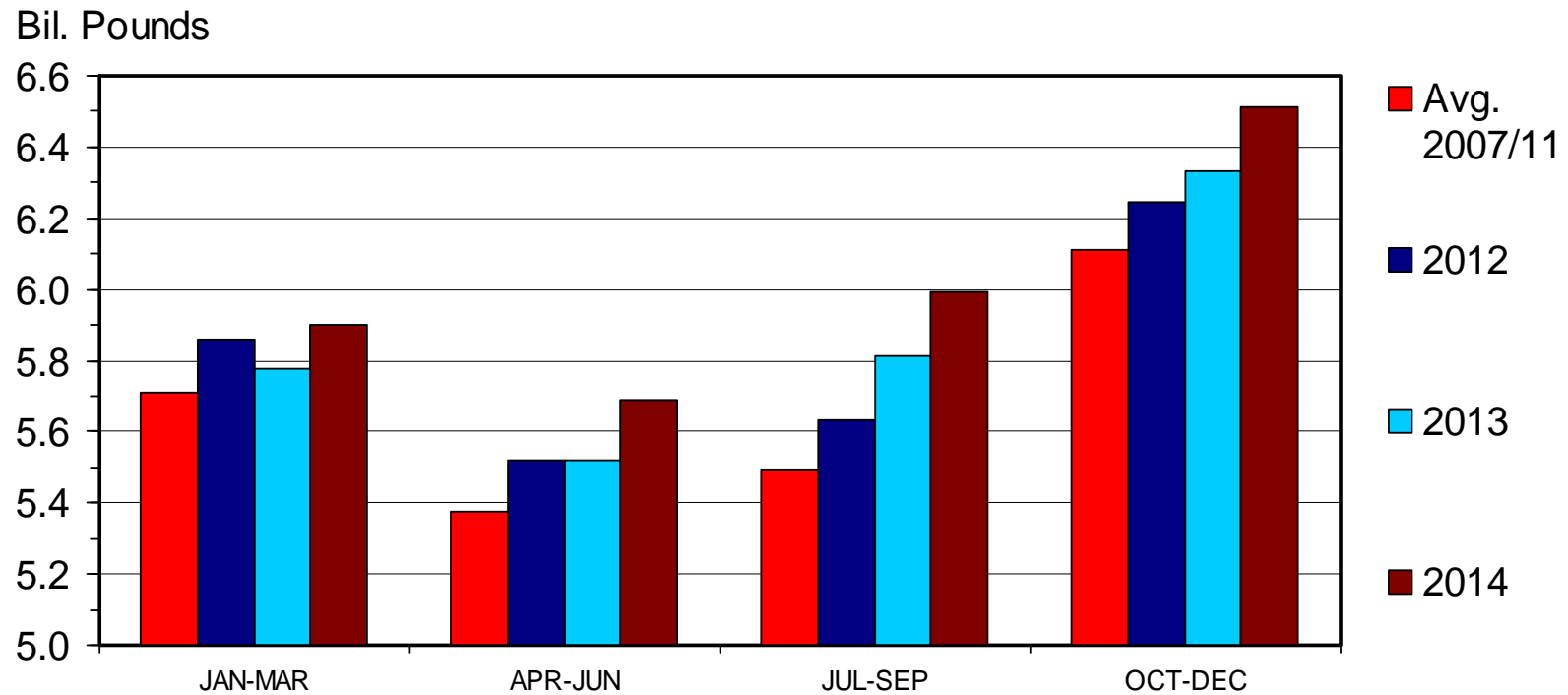
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# COMMERCIAL PORK PRODUCTION

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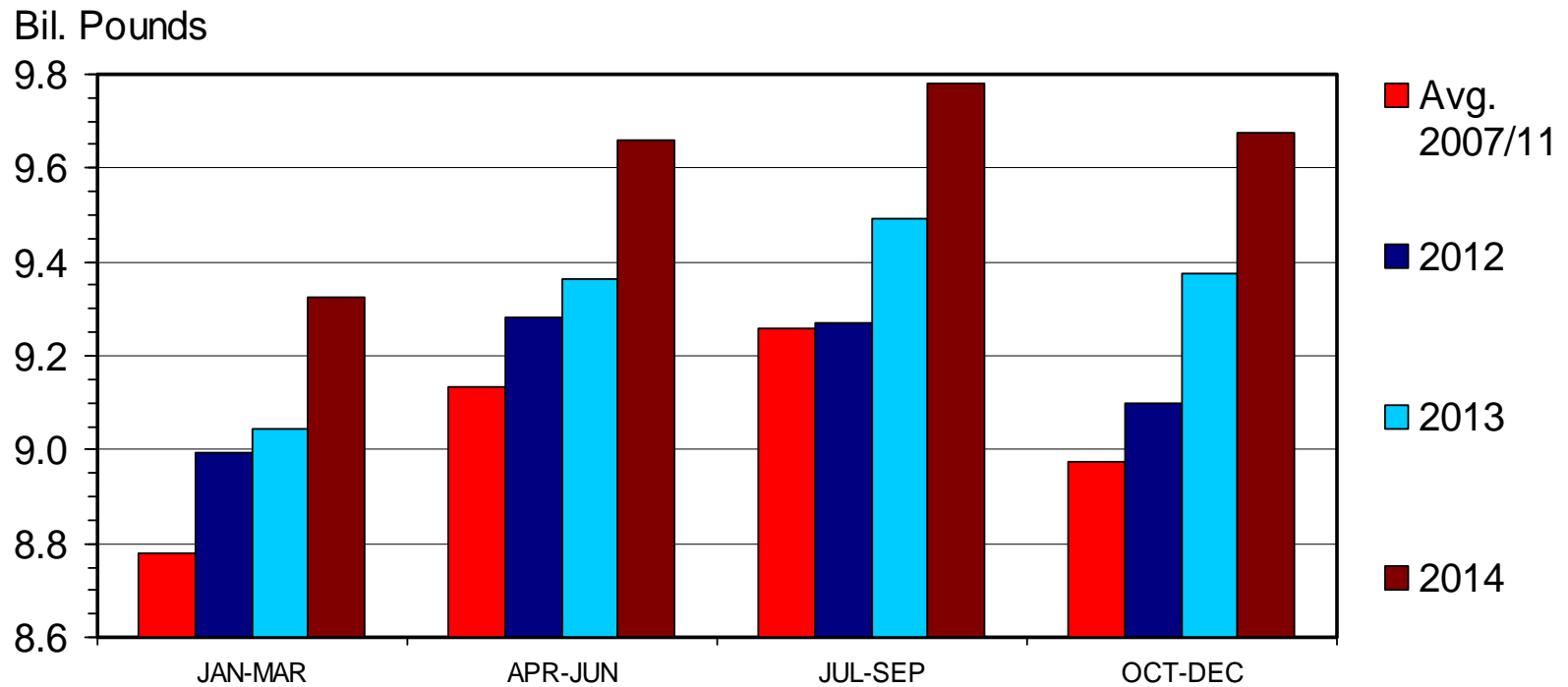
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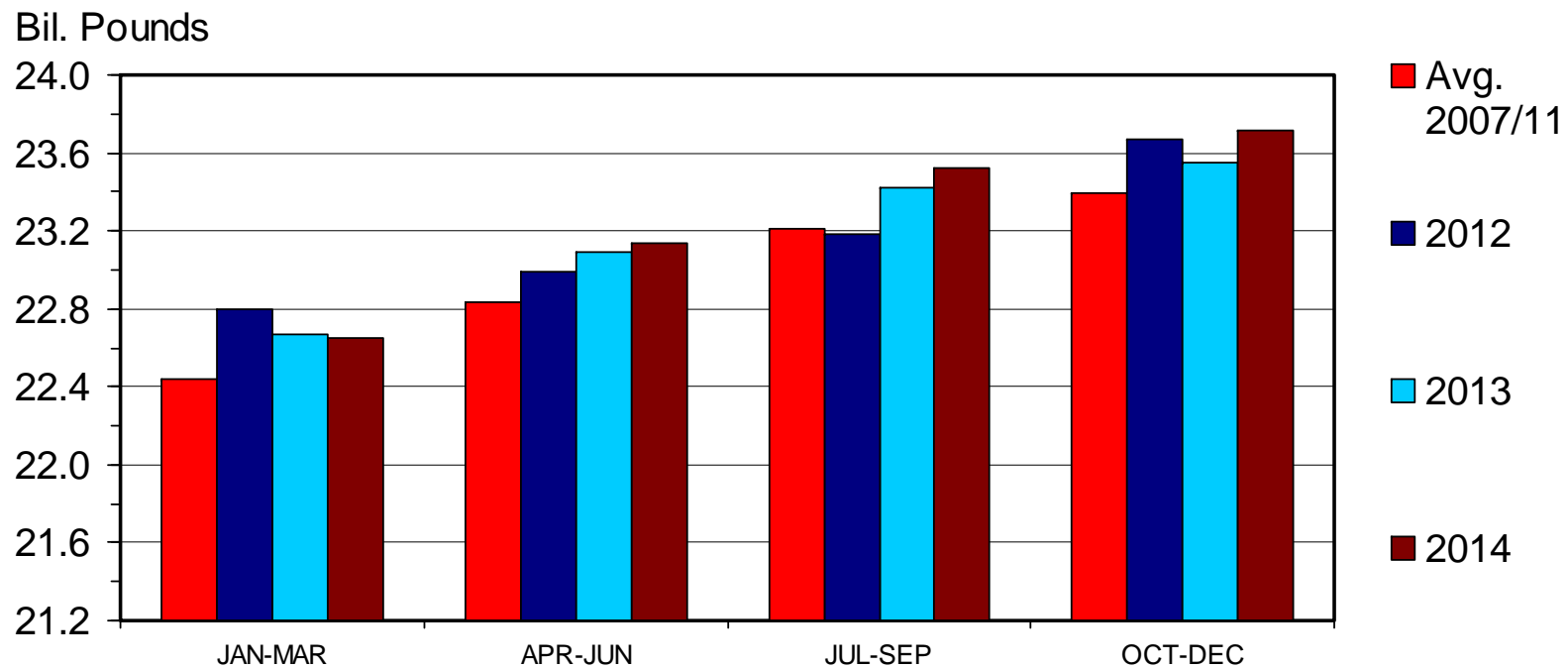
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# TOTAL RED MEAT & POULTRY PRODUCTION

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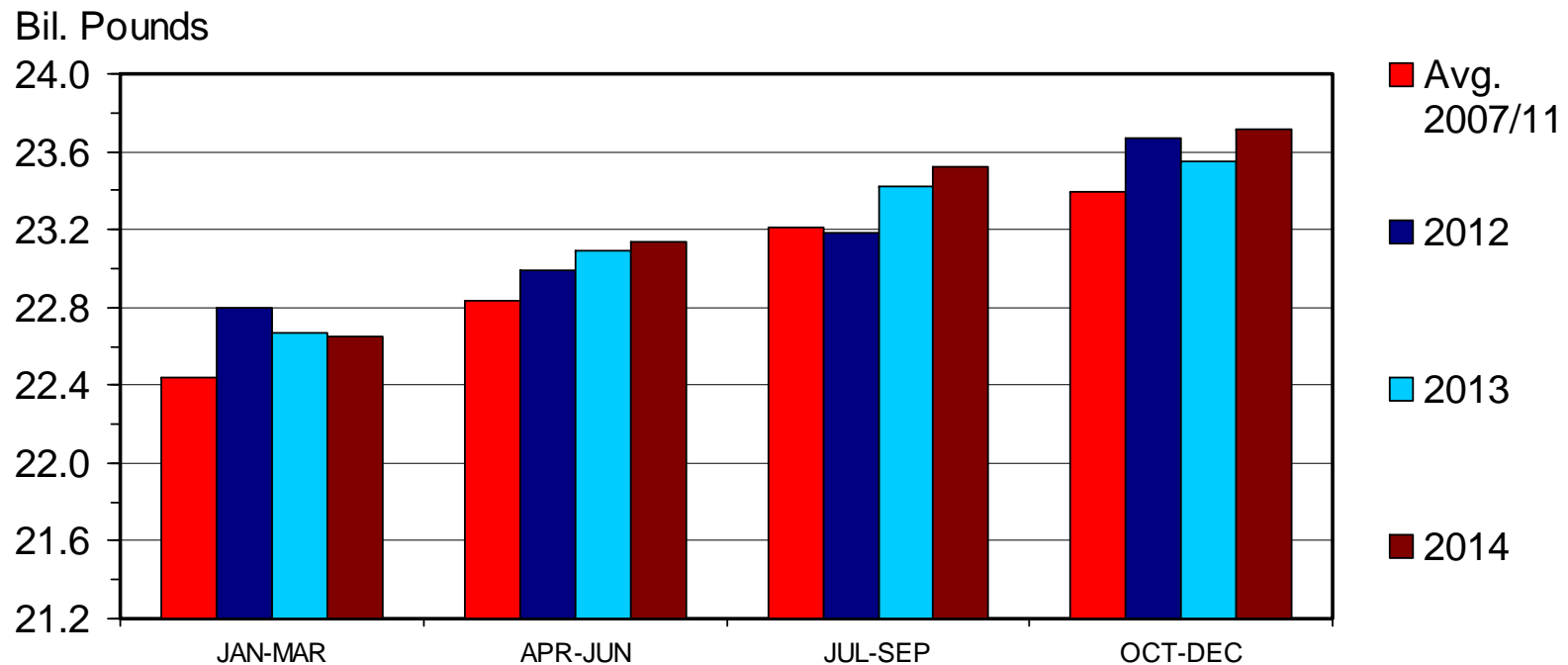


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# **TREND: BEEF SUPPLIES SHRINK WHILE PORK, POULTRY, and TOTAL MEAT SUPPLIES INCREASE**




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# Beef Demand: Recent Determinants and Future Drivers

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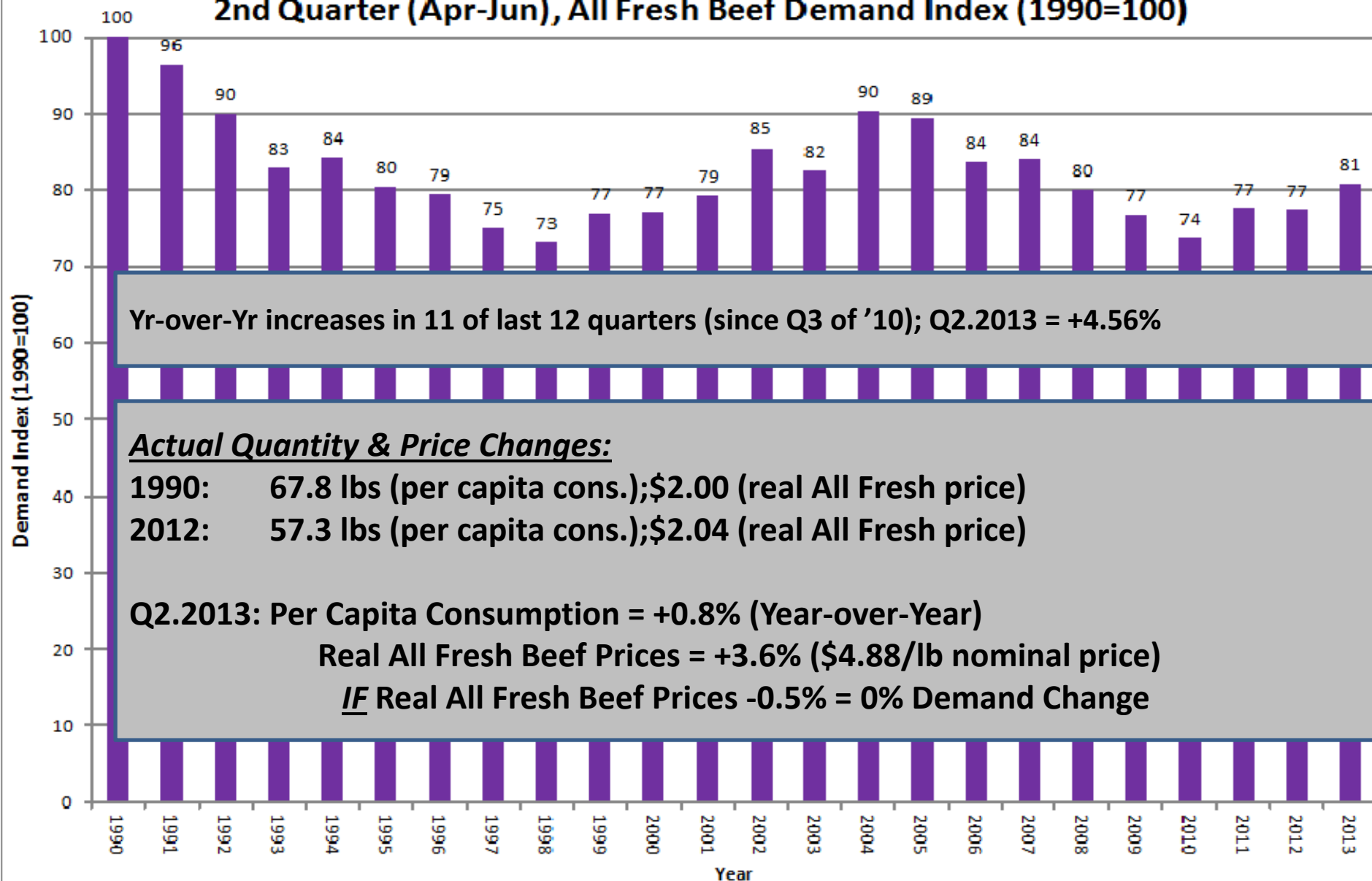
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<http://www.beefboard.org/evaluation/130612demanddeterminantstudy.asp>

## 2nd Quarter (Apr-Jun), All Fresh Beef Demand Index (1990=100)



Source: Glynn T. Tonsor, Kansas State University, July 2013

<http://www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/Beef%20Demand/default.asp>

# Wrap-up Summary Thoughts

- Opportunity exists in multiple venues
  - Herd expansion pending?
  - Value-added opportunities for sound management
  - Domestic demand strength warrants appreciation
  - Remain bullish on global demand going forward
- Current and Potential Threats also persist
  - Impact of Excess Capacity Resolution Lingers
  - Uncertainty on many fronts restricts investment
  - Several examples of “infighting” within the industry

More information available at:



This presentation is available in PDF format at:

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# Overarching Trends

- “Supply Side”
  - Historically low calf crops
  - Persistent feedlot and packing excess capacity concerns
  - Cow-calf production slowly moving northwest
  - Recent pasture and moisture improvement nationally (growing corn crop concerns notwithstanding)

# Overarching Trends

- “Demand Side”
  - Ongoing confusion within the industry
  - Increasingly positive story
    - Much more work to be done...
  - Expanding role of foreign markets and domestic heterogeneity

# Overarching Trends

- “Cross-Cutting”
  - “In-fighting” persists
    - MCOOL, animal ID, etc.
  - Growing interest in how food is produced
    - antibiotics, beta-agonists, implants, etc.
  - Political and regulatory uncertainty
    - farm bill, RFS, tax code, dust regulation, etc.

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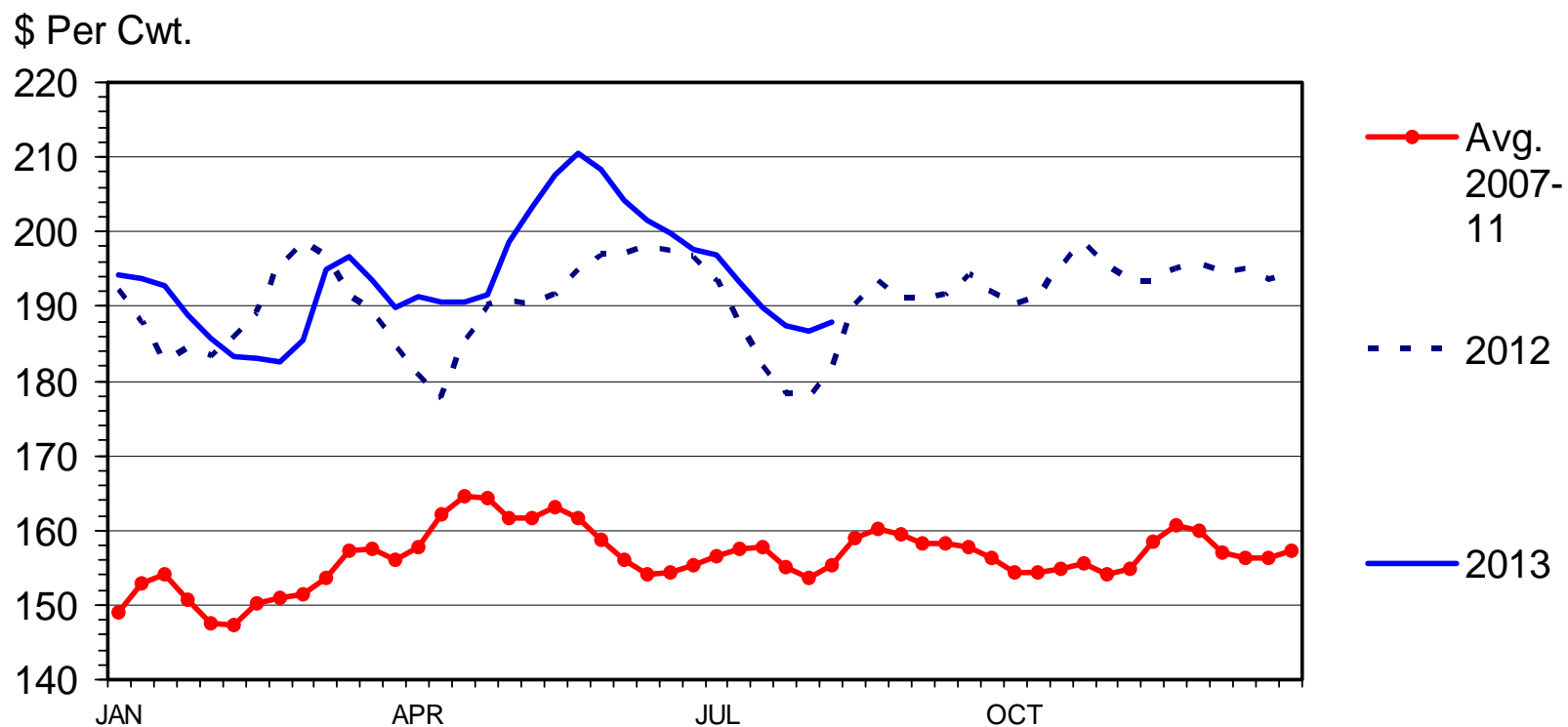
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# BOXED BEEF CUTOUT VALUE

## Choice 600-900 Lbs. Carcass, Weekly



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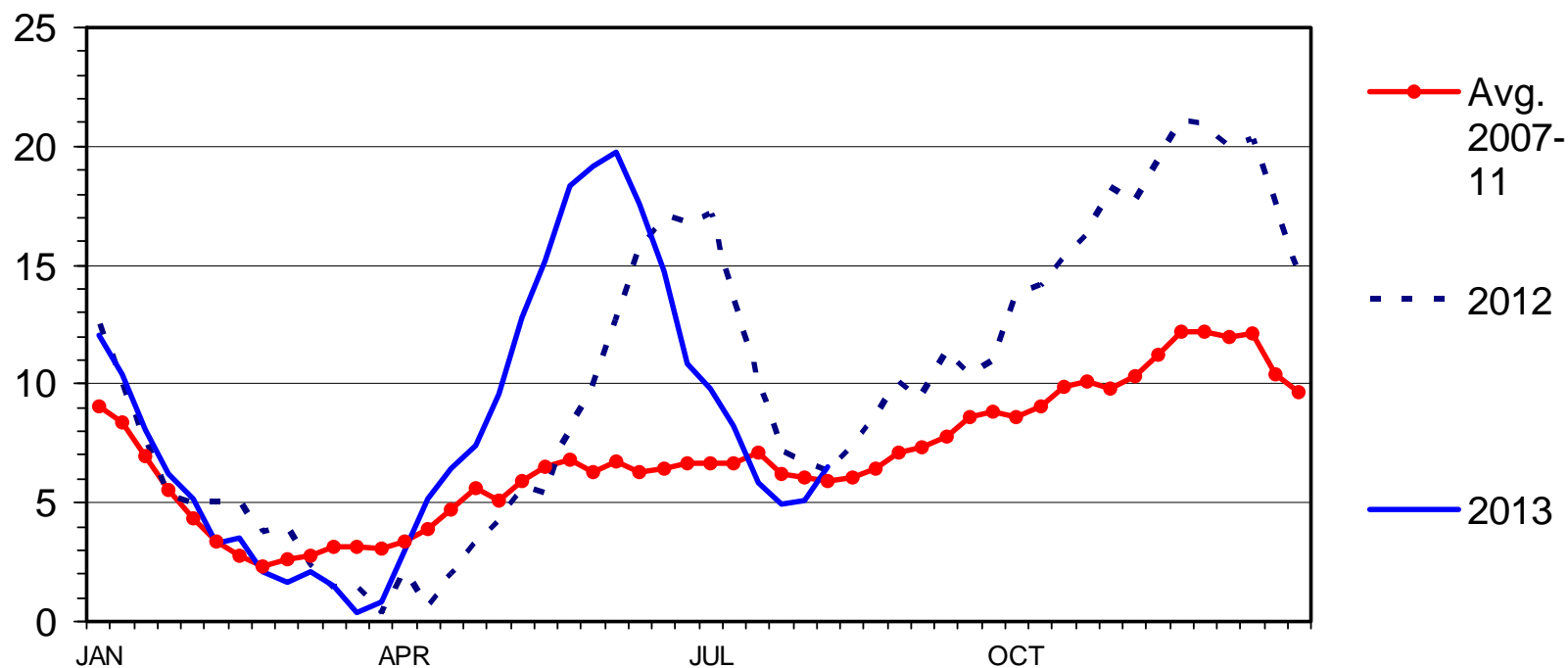
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# CHOICE MINUS SELECT BEEF PRICES

Carcass Cutout Value 600-900 Lbs., Weekly

\$ Per Cwt.




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# Purpose

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## Our Goal

Identify drivers shaping future domestic beef demand  
emphasizing factors industry can use to prioritize strategies

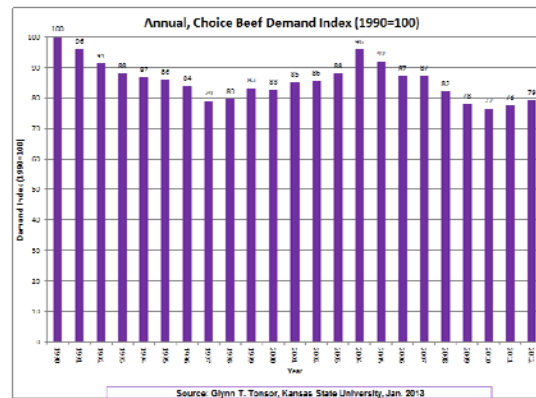
## Objectives

1. Determine:
  - beef demand drivers
  - ability of industry to influence drivers
2. Provide recommendations for demand enhancement

# Procedure

## Importance & Feasibility to Influence Future Beef Demand 10 Years Forward

Published work  
- 15 attribute rank  
- 22 willing to pay  
~25,000 respondents



Consumer Survey  
- 975 respondents  
Steak & Ground Beef



Demand Expert Survey  
- 159 experts  
Steak & Ground Beef



# Expert Survey

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Determine collective expert opinions on:

- Ranking beef demand drivers
- **Ranking feasibility of industry to influence drivers**

Who were they?

Last 20 years US published research on:

“beef demand”; “beef quality”; “beef nutrition”

+ LMIC Technical Advisory Committee

**159 beef expert complete respondents**

**69% economists**

**11% meat and/or food scientists**

**11% meat industry executives**

**7% animal scientists**

**2% medical researchers**





## **7 Salient Beef Demand Drivers**

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- 1. Food Safety (*E. coli, Salmonella, Listeria...*)**
- 2. Product Quality (*Fresh, Taste, Tender, Convenience ...*)**
- 3. Price (*\$ per pound*)**
- 4. Nutrition (*Protein, Iron, Zinc...*)**
- 5. Health (*Fat Amount & Type, Cholesterol, Sodium...*)**
- 6. Sustainability (*Environment, Labor, Community...*)**
- 7. Social Aspects (*Welfare, Country of Origin, Natural...*)**

“...by a wide margin ***Product Quality*** and ***Food Safety*** are ...the factors the industry can most feasibly improve upon to increase beef demand in the next 10 years”

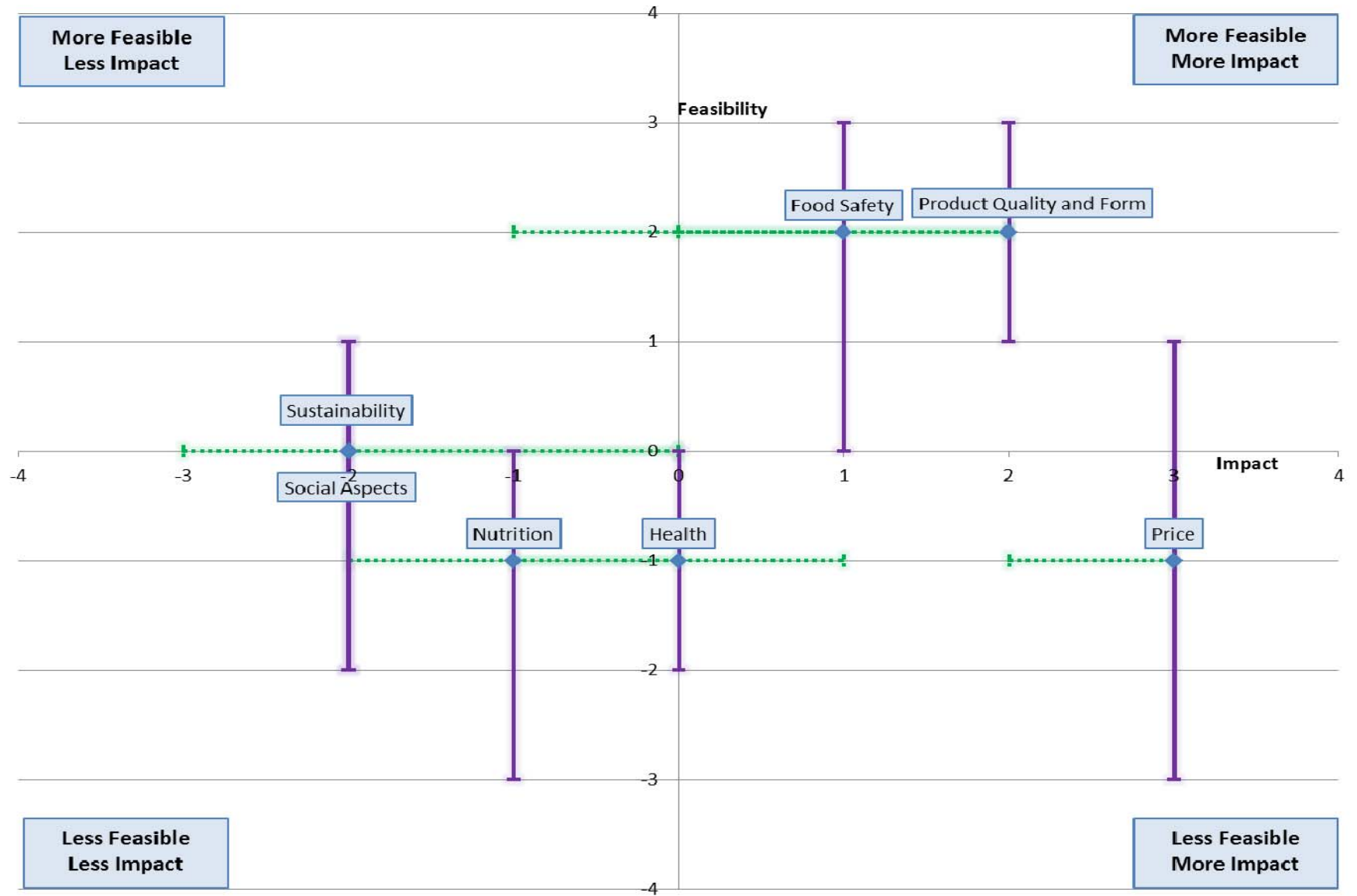
## Product Attribute Rankings Across Information Sources, Ground Beef and Steak

	Beef	Ground Beef		Steak	
	Preference Studies	Consumer Survey	Expert Survey	Consumer Survey	Expert Survey
1	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>	<b><i>Price</i></b>	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>	<b><i>Price</i></b>
2	<b><i>Price</i></b>	<b><i>Quality</i></b>	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>	<b><i>Quality</i></b>	<b><i>Quality</i></b>
3	<i>Health</i>	<b><i>Price</i></b>	<b><i>Quality</i></b>	<b><i>Price</i></b>	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>
4	<b><i>Quality</i></b>	<i>Health</i>	<i>Health</i>	<i>Health</i>	<i>Health</i>
5	<i>Sustainability</i>	<i>Nutrition</i>	<i>Nutrition</i>	<i>Nutrition</i>	<i>Nutrition</i>
6	<i>Social</i>	<i>Social</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>	<i>Social</i>	<i>Social</i>
7	<i>Nutrition</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>	<i>Social</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>

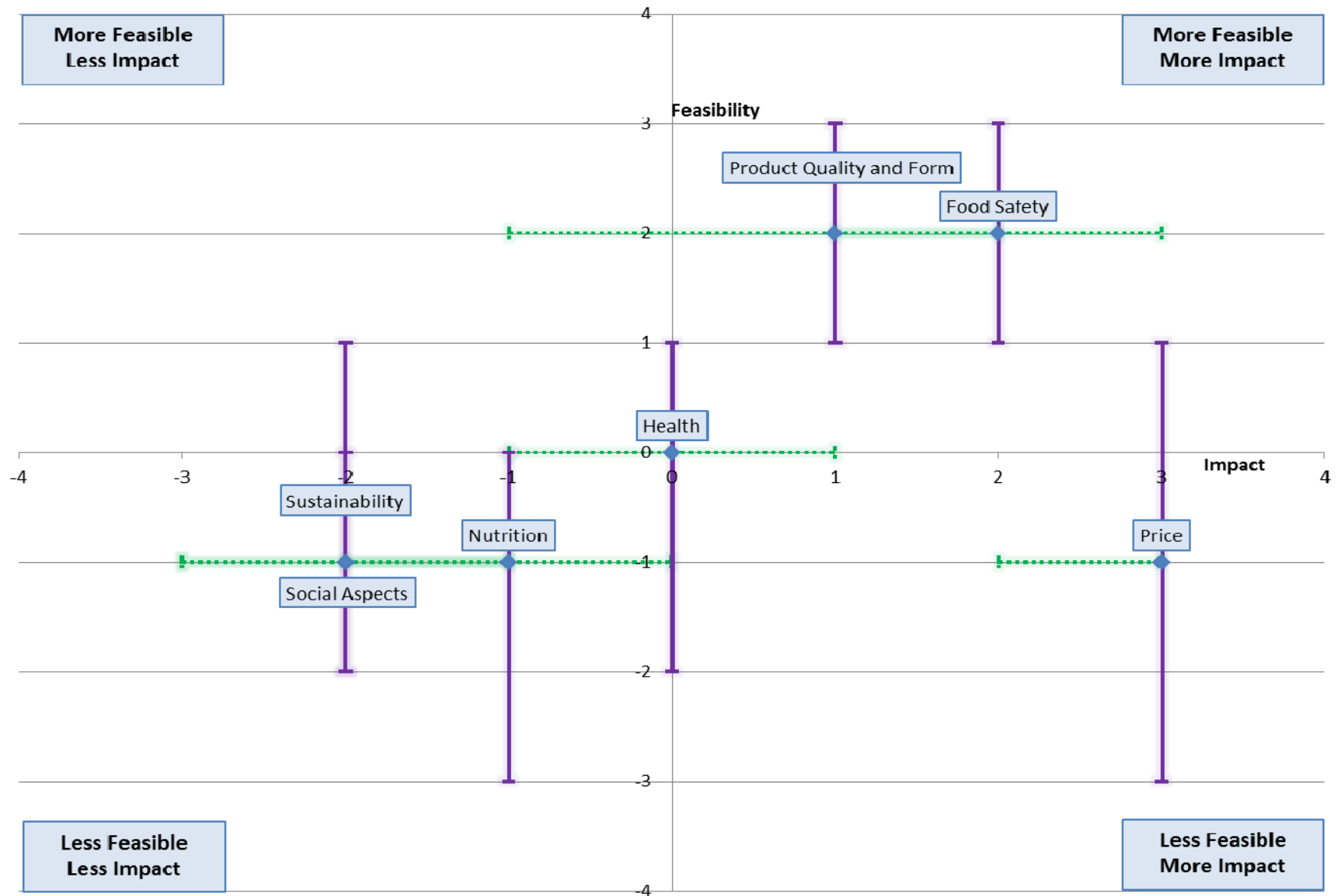
## Expert Survey Ranking of Industry Ability to Influence Impact of Broad Factors on Per Capita Beef Consumption

Rank	Beef Product	
	Ground Beef	Steak
1	<b><i>Product Quality</i></b>	<b><i>Product Quality</i></b>
2	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>	<b><i>Food Safety</i></b>
3	<i>Health</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>
4	<i>Price</i>	<i>Social Aspects</i>
5	<i>Sustainability</i>	<i>Price</i>
6	<i>Social Aspects</i>	<i>Health</i>
7	<i>Nutrition</i>	<i>Nutrition</i>

## Demand Factors within Impact and Feasibility Space, Beef Steak (Medians and Quartile Ranges; Impact N=89, Feasibility N=81)



## Demand Factors within Impact and Feasibility Space, Ground Beef (Medians and Quartile Ranges; Impact N=88, Feasibility N=81)



# Ranked Priorities

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**Highest  
Priority**

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1. Food Safety
  2. Product Quality
  3. Price

**Middle  
Priority**

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4. Nutrition
  5. Health

**Lower  
Priority**

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6. Social Aspects
  7. Sustainability Dimensions

# Recommendations (Ranked)

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- 1. Invest in food safety enhancement & reassurance**
  - *Essential domestically; also critical for exports*
- 2. Emphasize product quality consistency**
  - *New products have role & certification programs*
- 3. Appreciate beef price and relative price sensitivity**
  - *Technology adoption critical for price competitiveness*
  - *Assess food safety and product quality impacts*
- 4. Health and Nutritional aspects warrant attention**
  - *Younger protein interest (tomorrow's high earners)*
- 5. Social and Sustainability issues cannot be ignored**
  - *Communication and consumer education critical but lower demand enhancement payoff relative to other key areas*



# Important Needs for Future

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- 1. Lever retail scanner data improve demand monitoring**
  - *Derive alternative demand indices to measure progress*
  - *Subcategory & regional analysis to better target strategies*
- 2. Need to know more about growing heterogeneity**
  - *How industry optimizes demand for a more diverse consumer*
  - *Multiple demand enhancement strategies may make sense*
- 3. Changing information technology effect on demand**
  - *Most effectively connecting to shoppers*
  - *Multiple media impacts on beef demand*

# Important Needs for Future

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- 4. Impacts of generational shifts on demand strategies**
  - *What does millennial generation (1980-2000 births) demand?*
  - *Implications of growing Hispanic and Asian origins in US*
  
- 5. Global beef demand and US strategy**
  - *Tremendous opportunity for global meat demand growth in next 10 years*
  - *Where and who will supply it?*
  - *Is US beef industry well-positioned to capitalize?*



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## 2013 Beef Demand Determinant Study



In Fiscal Year 2013, the Beef Checkoff Program commissioned a Beef Demand Determinant Study to identify the beef demand drivers on which the checkoff programs should focus to have the most compelling effects on beef demand moving forward.

Below you will find links to a one-page abstract, a summary report, and the full results of the study, authored by Dr. Ted Schroeder, professor of livestock marketing, and Dr. Glynn Tonsor, associate proessor of livestock marketing, both at Kansas State University, in addition to Dr. James Mintert, assistant director of Extension for Agriculture and Natural Resources at Purdue University:

- [One-page Summary Abstract: "Beef Demand: Determinants and Future Drivers"](#)
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