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Beef-Cattle Industry Outlook

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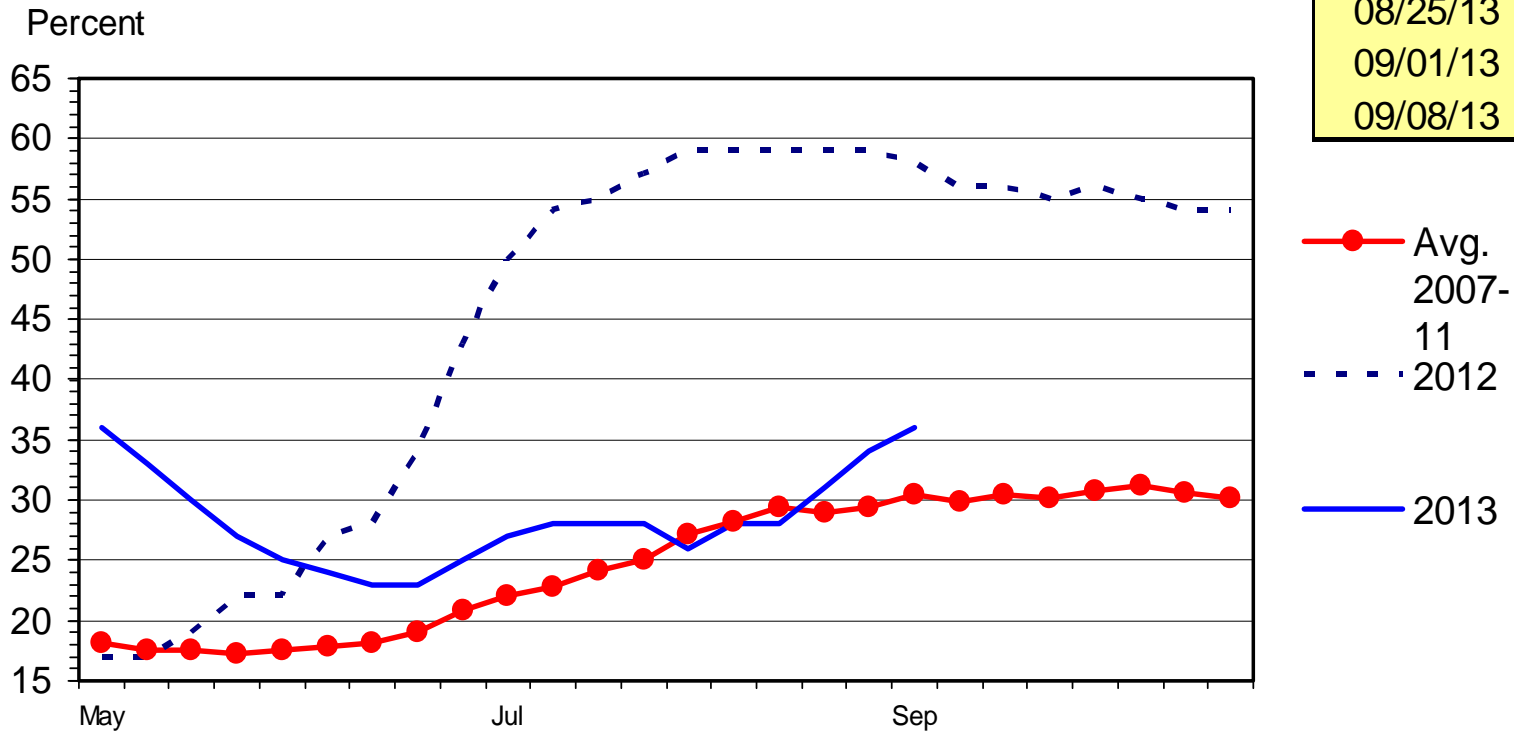


Overarching Economic Outlook

- 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
08/26/12	23561	78.34%
09/02/12	23883	79.41%
09/09/12	23457	78.00%
This Year		
08/25/13	9052	30.98%
09/01/13	9427	32.26%
09/08/13	8917	30.52%

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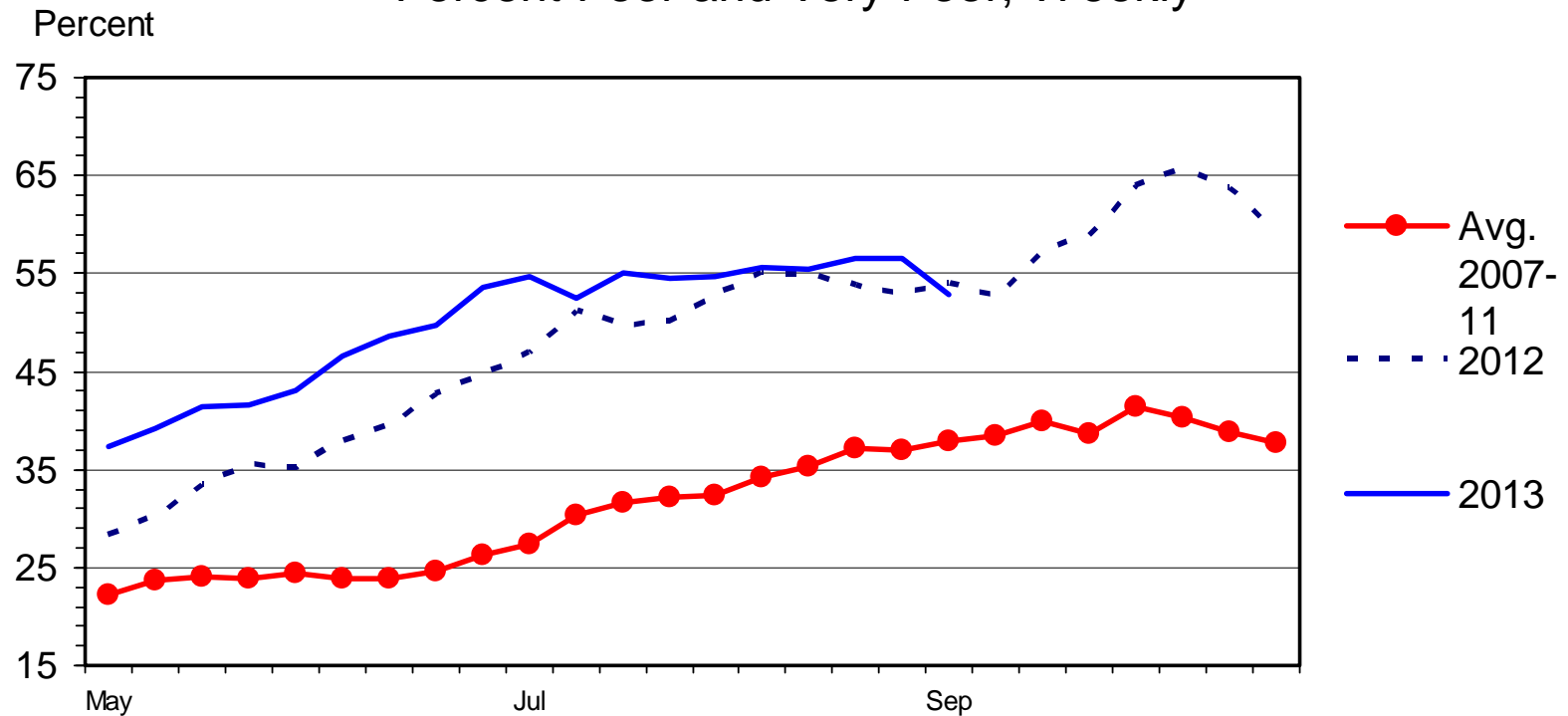
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09/09/13

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

WESTERN REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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09/09/13

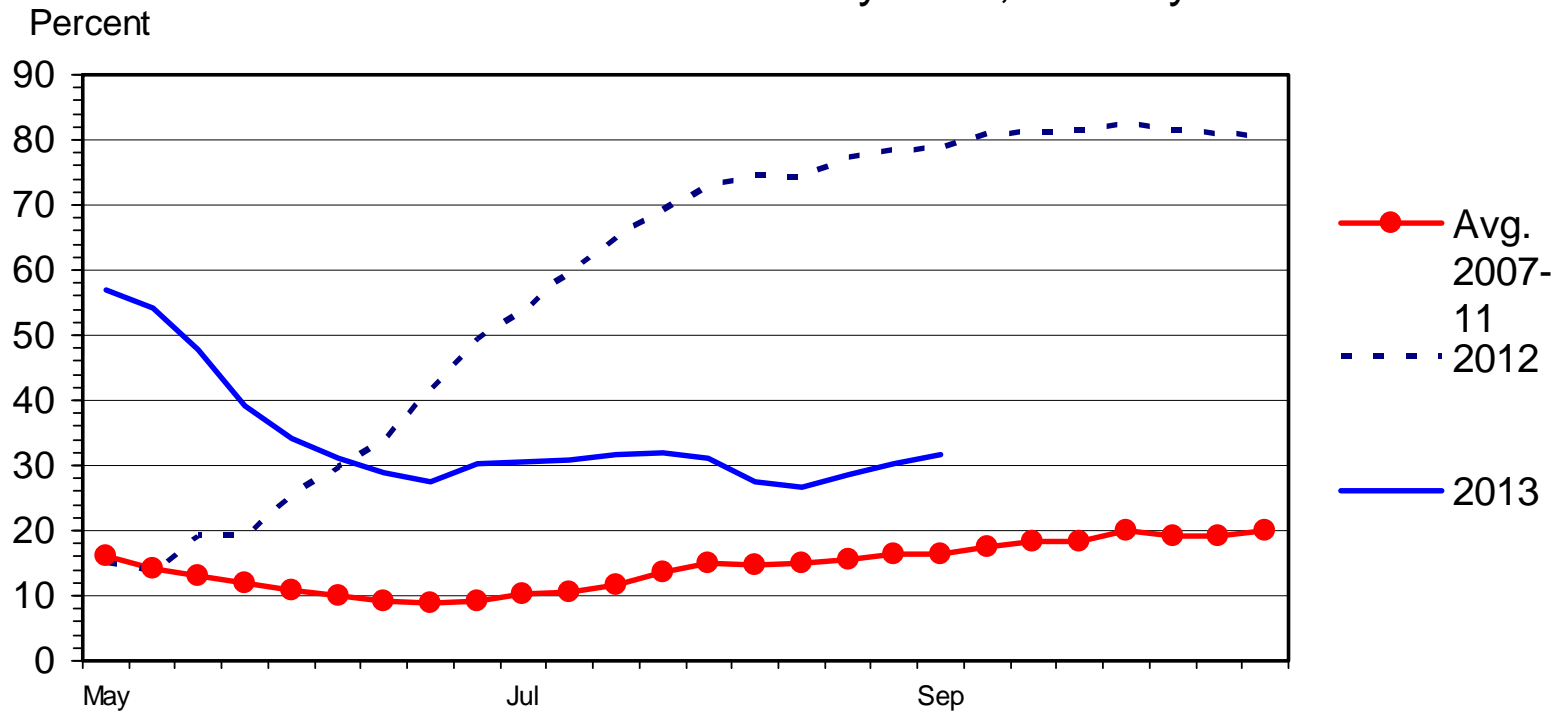
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(CO, KS, MT, NE,
ND, SD, WY)
29.6% of Cows

GREAT PLAINS REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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09/09/13

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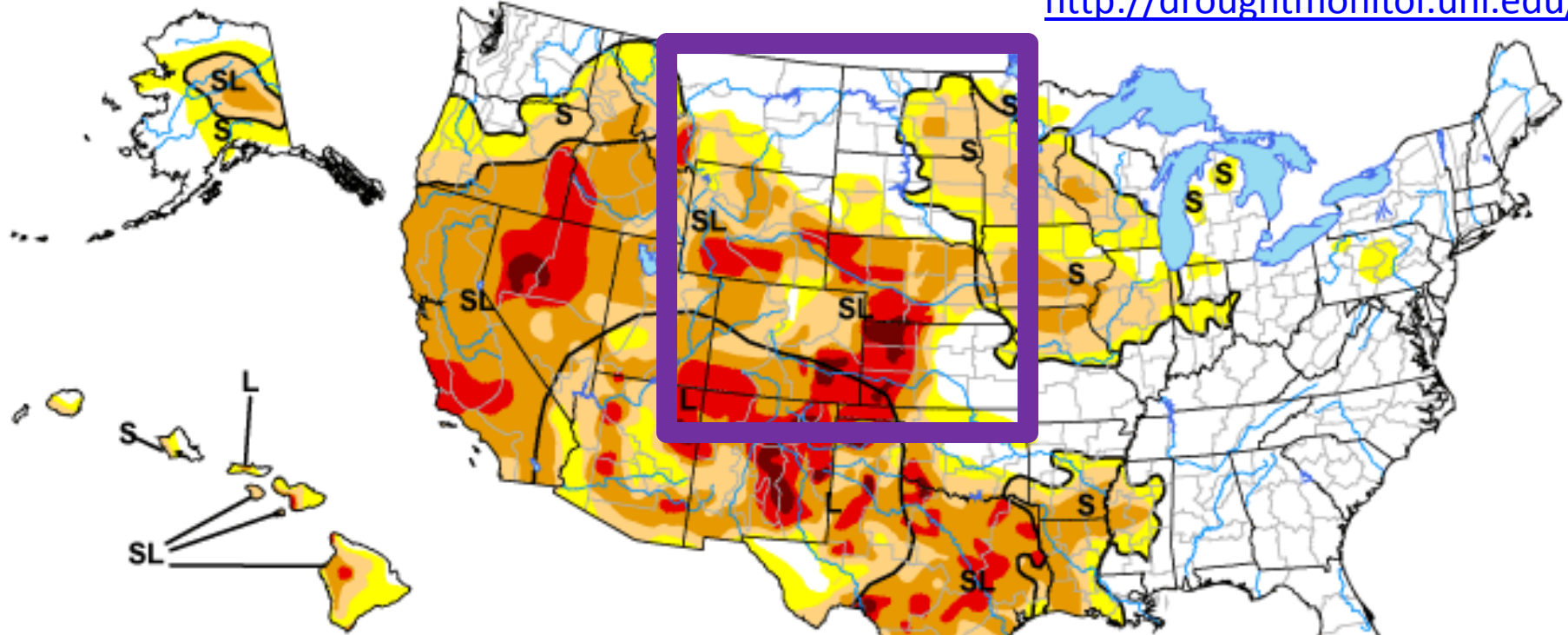
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U.S. Drought Monitor

September 3, 2013

Valid 7 a.m. EDT

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

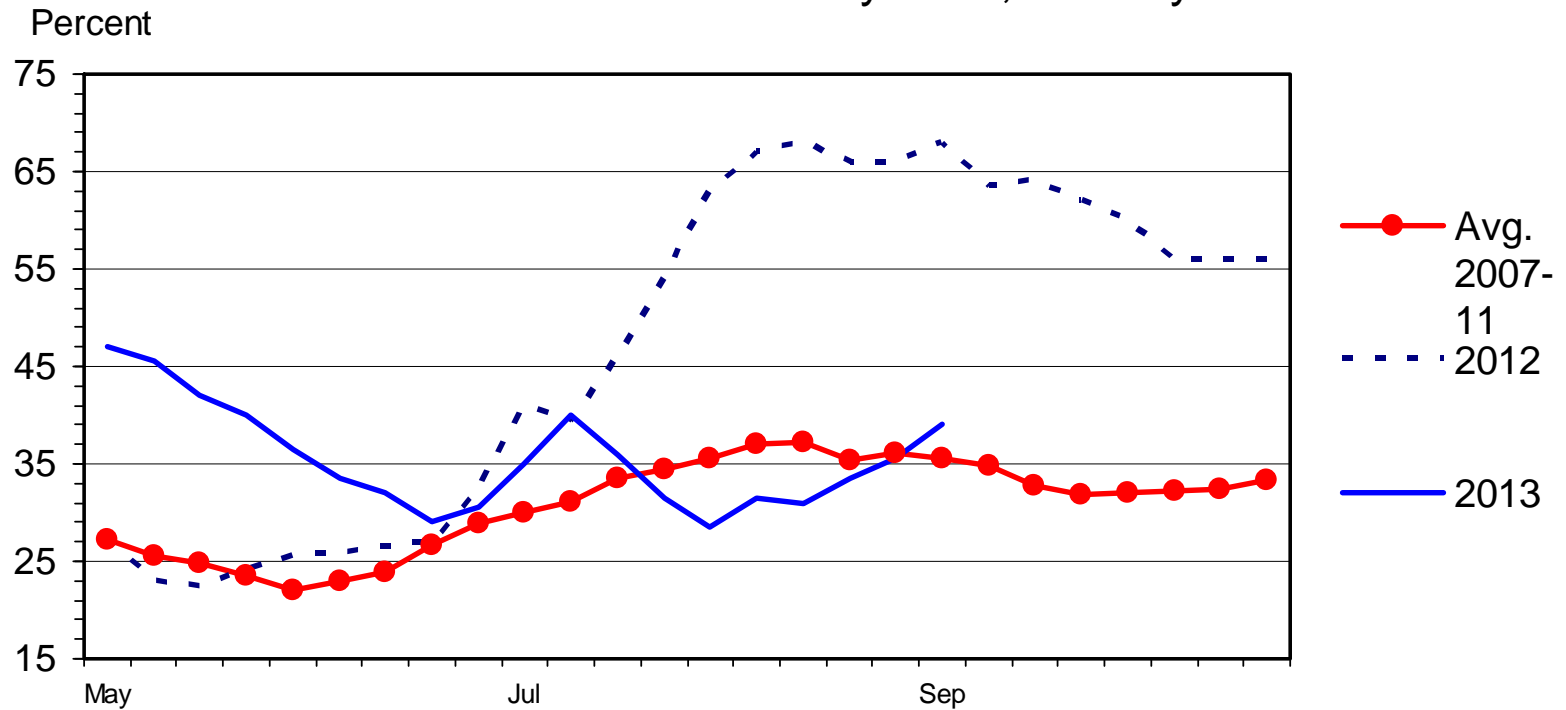


**TREND: CONDITIONS “HERE” ARE MASKED
BY AGGREGATE STATE/REGION LEVEL
INFORMATION**

(OK, TX)
19.7% of Cows

SOUTHERN PLAINS REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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09/09/13

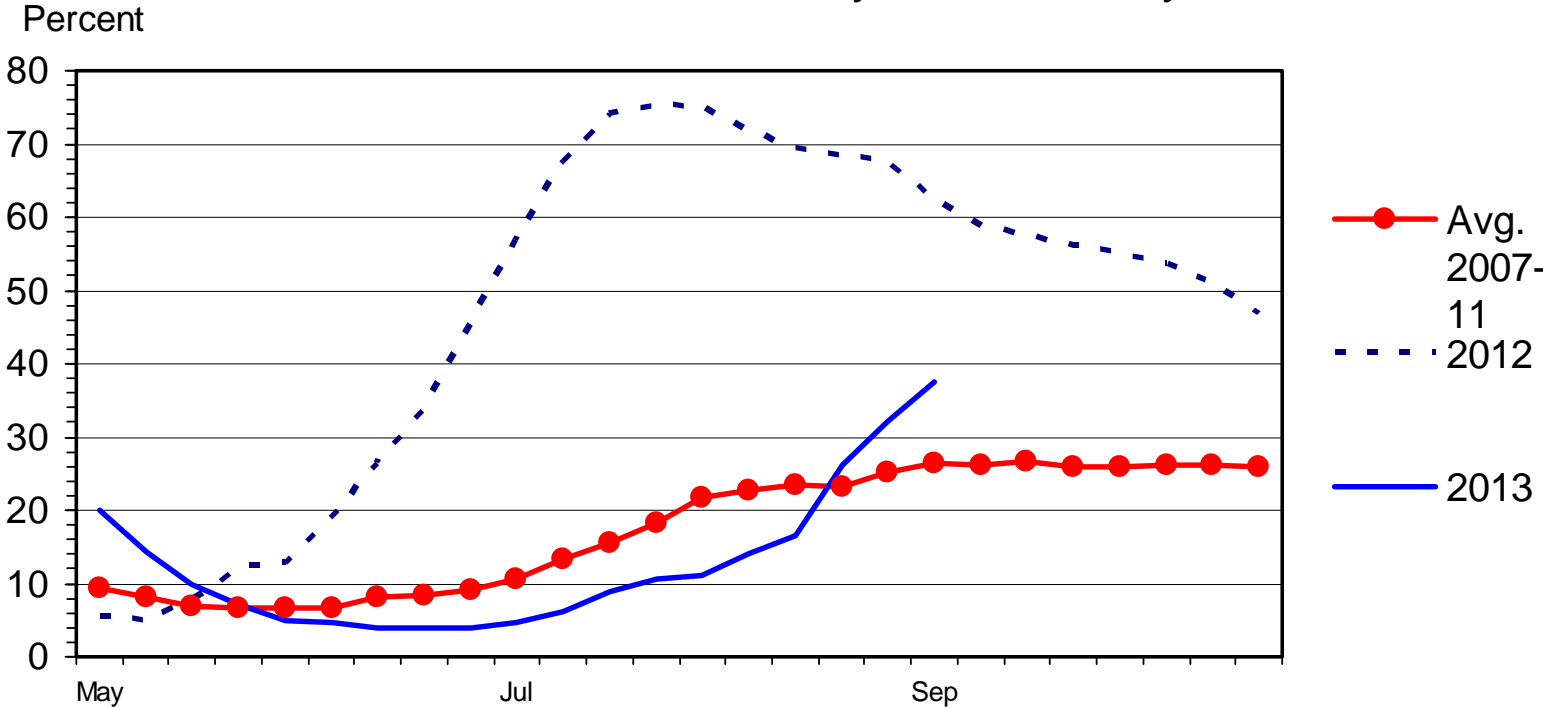
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(IL, IN, IA, MI, MN,
MO, OH, WI)
14.6% of Cows

CORNBELT REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly

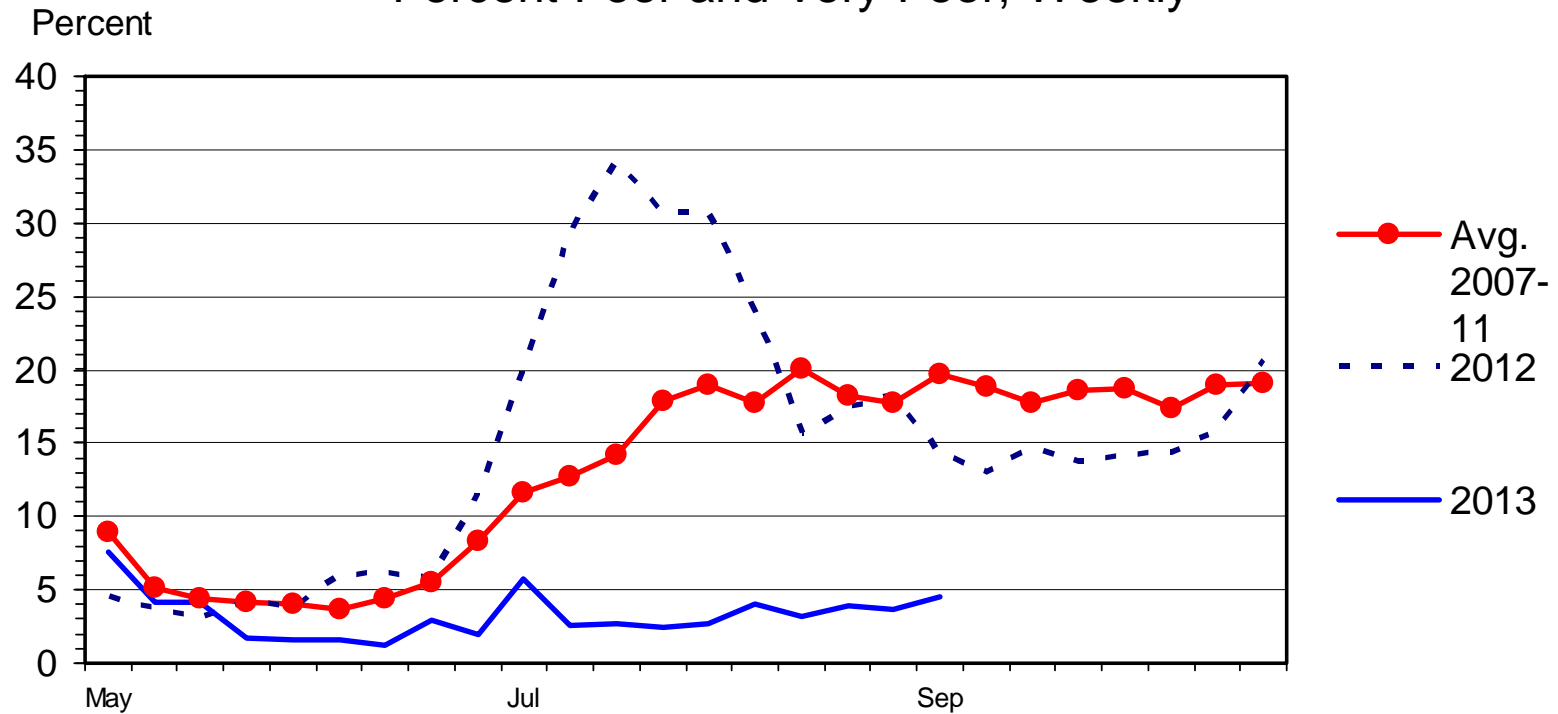


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09/09/13

(CT, DE, ME, MD,
MA, NH, NJ, NY,
PA, RI, VT)
1.2% of Cows

NORTHEAST REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



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09/09/13

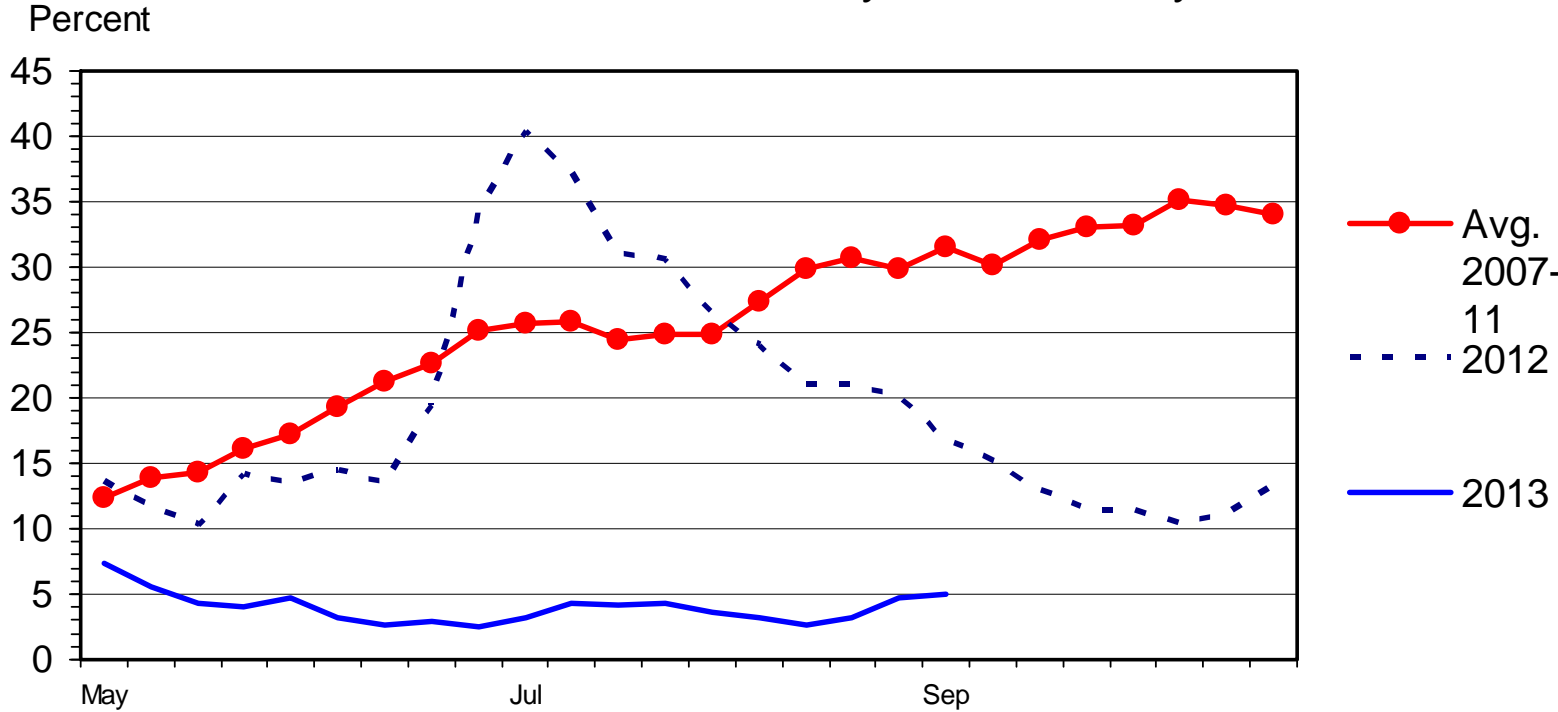
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(AL, AR, FL, GA, KY,
LA, MS, NC, SC,
TN, VA, WV)
24.7% of Cows

SOUTHEAST REGION RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

Percent Poor and Very Poor, Weekly



G-NP-36
09/09/13

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 15th

Table 1. Beef Cows that Calved (1,000 hd)

<i>State / Region</i>	<i>1994</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>1994 (% of US)</i>	<i>2004 (% of US)</i>	<i>2010 (% of US)</i>	<i>2013 (% of US)</i>
TX	5,800	5,383	5,140	4,015	16.8%	16.5%	16.4%	13.7%
NE	1,920	1,848	1,781	1,805	5.5%	5.7%	5.7%	6.2%
MO	2,200	2,085	1,968	1,757	6.4%	6.4%	6.3%	6.0%
OK	1,853	1,920	2,073	1,754	5.4%	5.9%	6.6%	6.0%
SD	1,598	1,711	1,618	1,688	4.6%	5.3%	5.2%	5.8%
MT	1,478	1,432	1,465	1,506	4.3%	4.4%	4.7%	5.1%
KS	1,473	1,550	1,434	1,328	4.3%	4.8%	4.6%	4.5%
KY	1,155	1,128	1,070	1,028	3.3%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%
IA	1,075	974	885	925	3.1%	3.0%	2.8%	3.2%
ND	941	937	869	922	2.7%	2.9%	2.8%	3.1%
US	34,603	32,531	31,371	29,295				
Great Plains	9,023	8,766	8,575	8,658	26.1%	26.9%	27.3%	29.6%
Southeast	8,597	8,022	7,560	7,204	24.8%	24.7%	24.1%	24.6%
Southern Plains	7,653	7,303	7,213	5,769	22.1%	22.4%	23.0%	19.7%
Cornbelt	5,100	4,705	4,487	4,271	14.7%	14.5%	14.3%	14.6%
West	3,844	3,404	3,193	3,054	11.1%	10.5%	10.2%	10.4%
Northeast	386	331	343	340	1.1%	1.0%	1.1%	1.2%

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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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**TREND: HEIFER RETENTION MOVING
NORTHWEST WITHIN NATIONAL BEEF
COW HERD**

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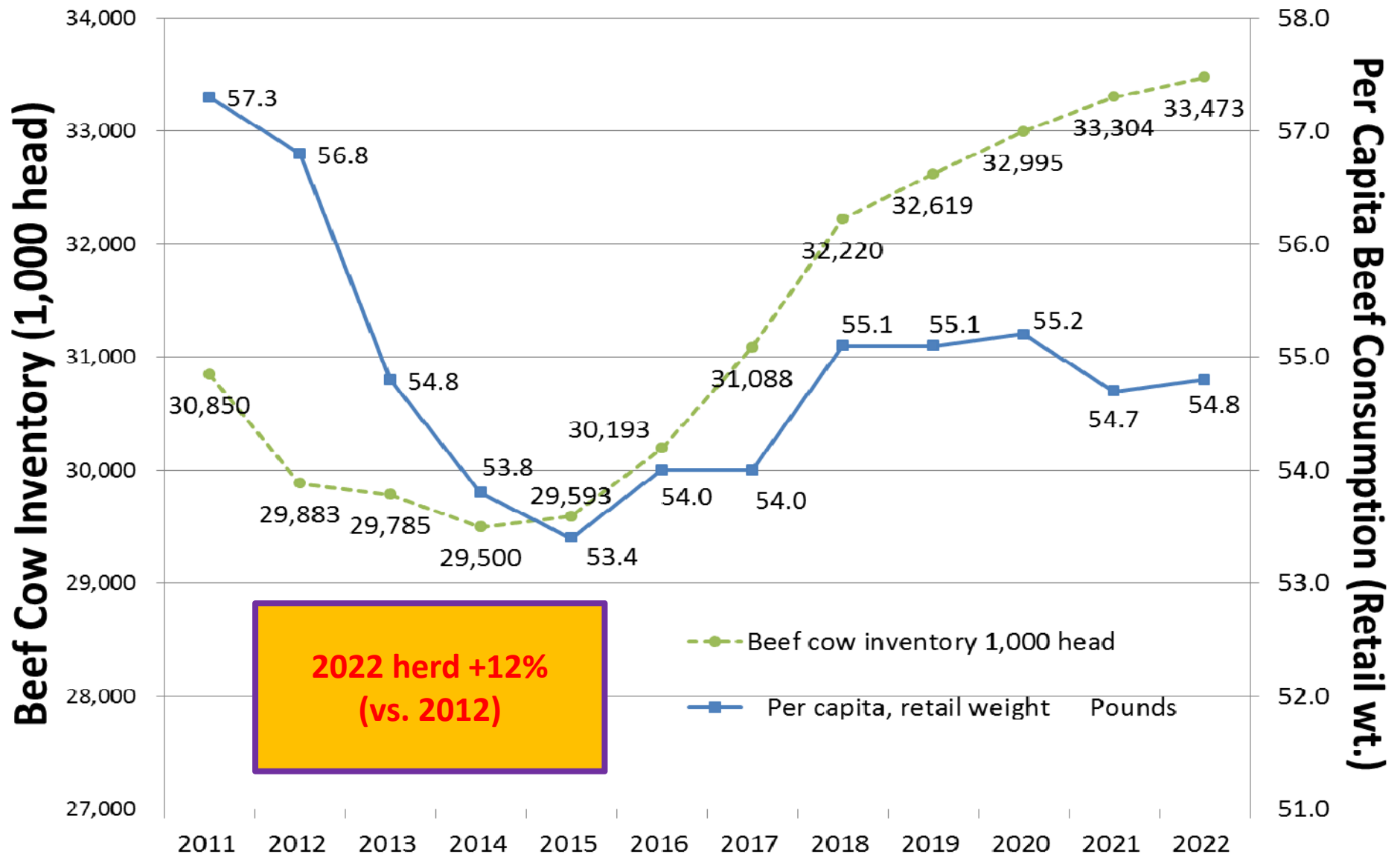
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Longer-term projections (as of Feb. 2013)

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

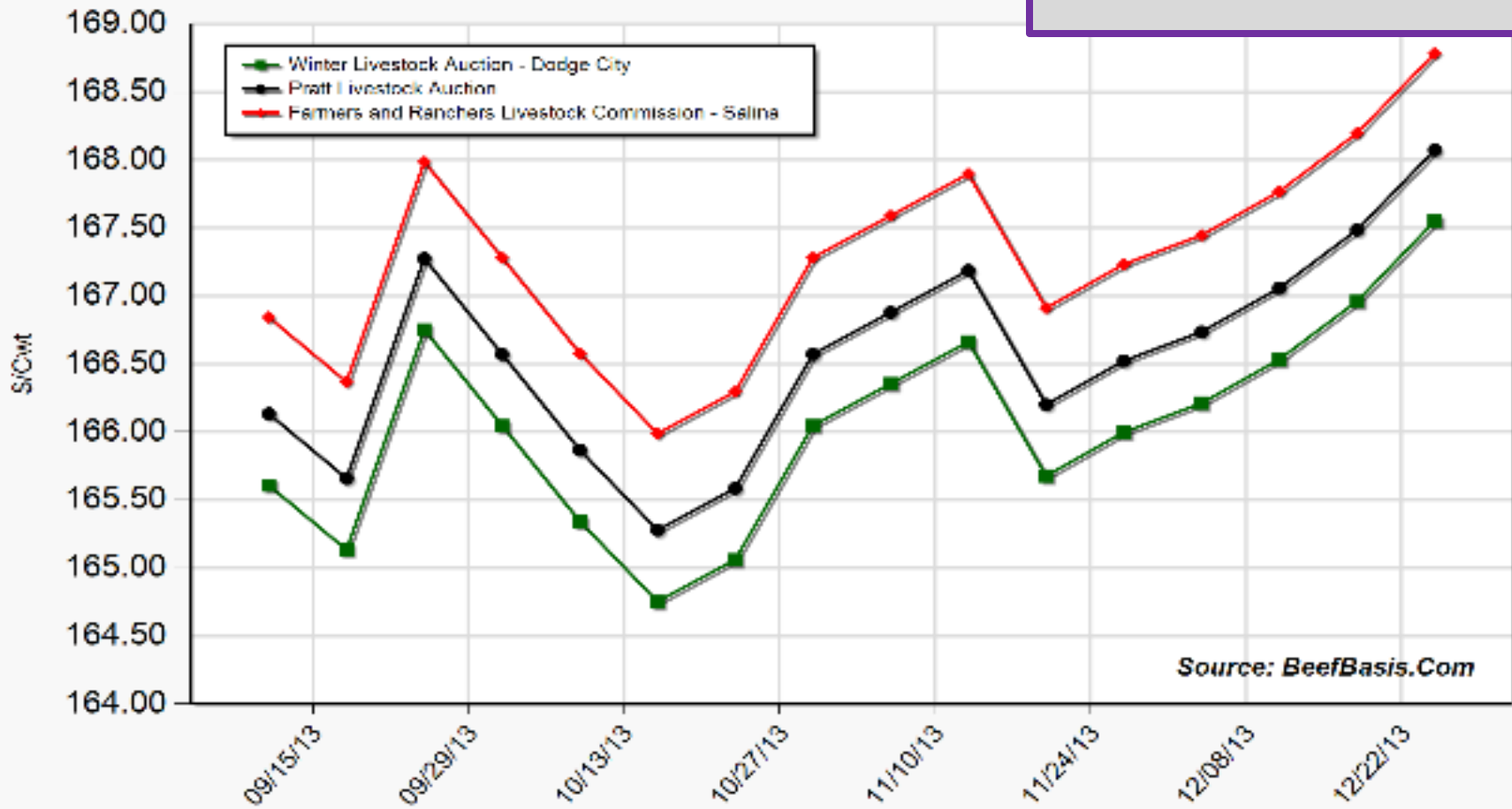
2021 Projection 1.1 million less than Feb. 12'



As of: 9/10/13'

Sep FC:
9/10: \$156 8/1: \$157
7/1: \$153 6/1: \$147

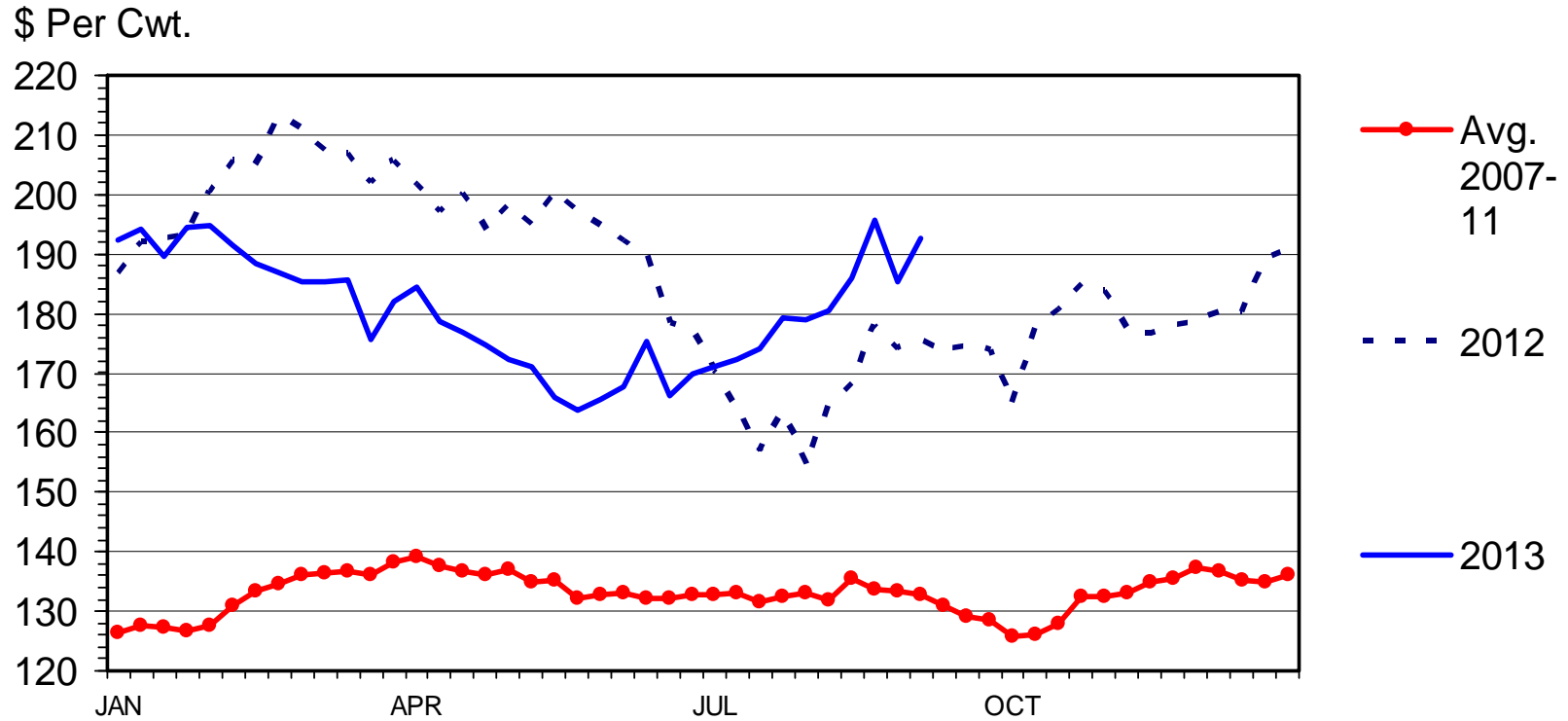
Projected Price for 550 Lb Steer at Selected Ka



Source: BeefBasis.Com

MED. & LRG. #1 STEER CALF PRICES

400-500 Pounds, Southern Plains, Weekly



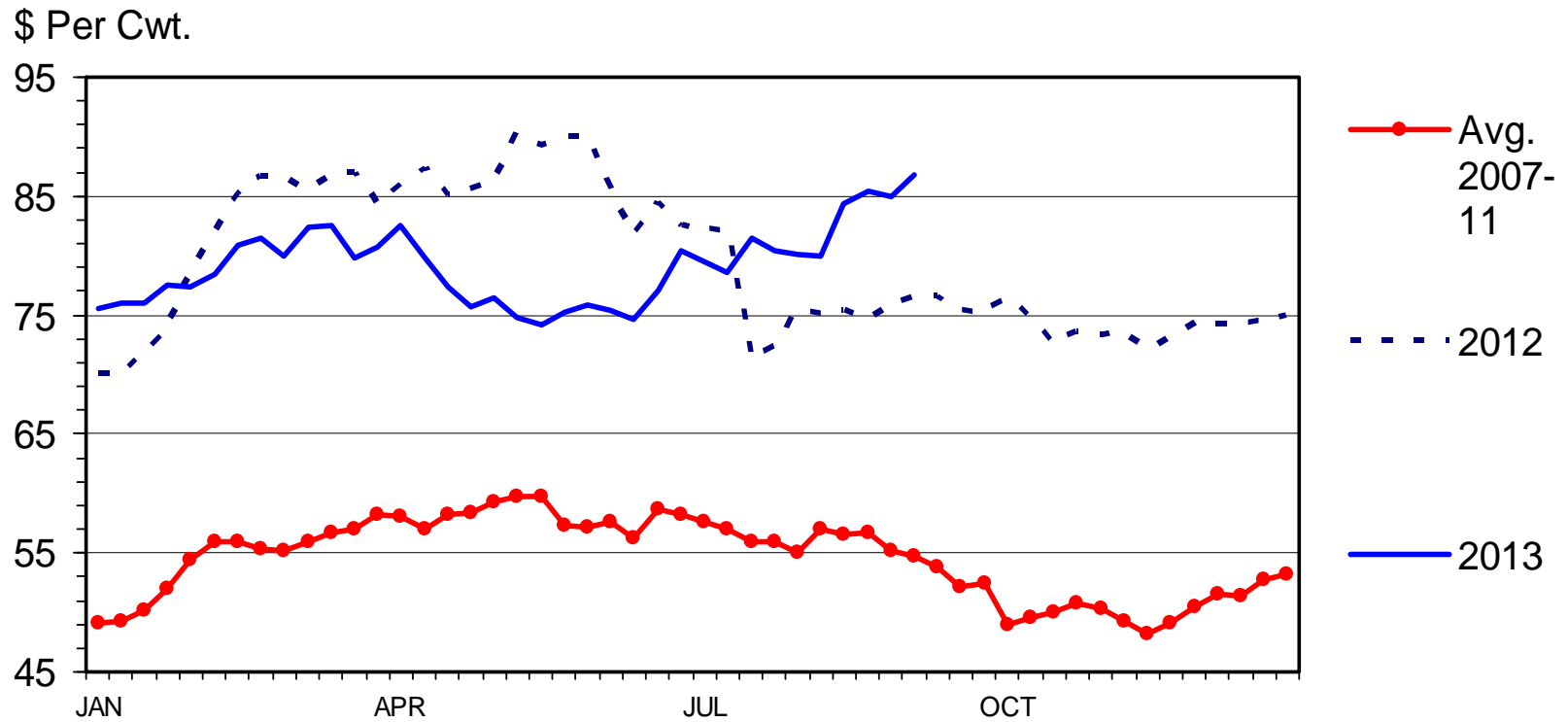
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SLAUGHTER COW PRICES

Southern Plains, 85-90% Lean, Weekly



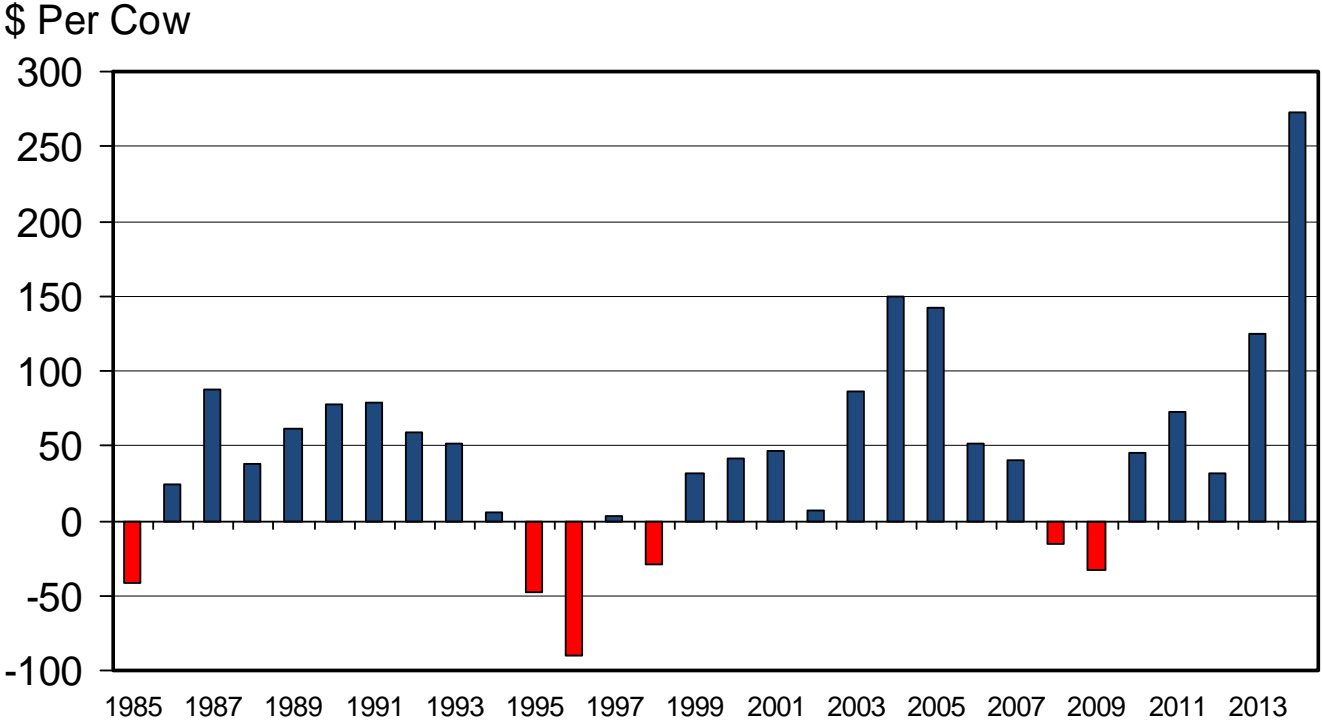
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ESTIMATED AVERAGE COW CALF RETURNS

Returns Over Cash Cost (Includes Pasture Rent), Annual

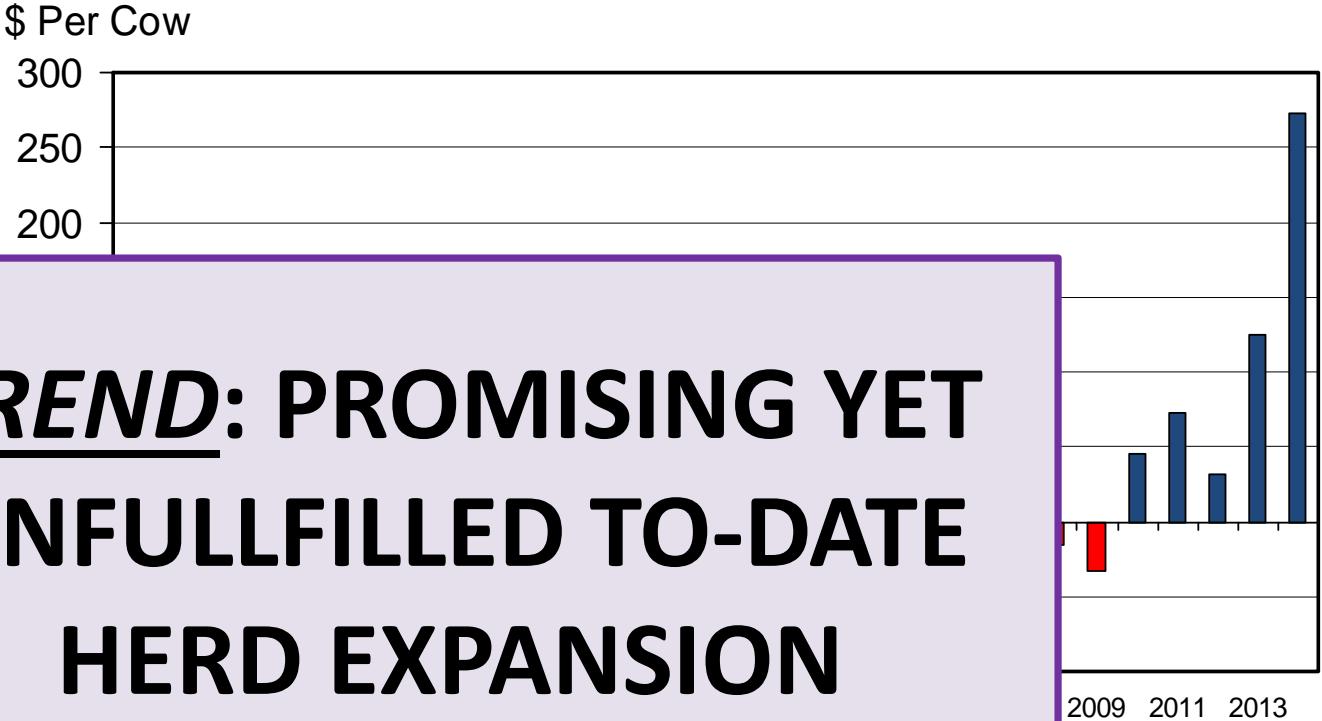


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ESTIMATED AVERAGE COW CALF RETURNS

Returns Over Cash Cost (Includes Pasture Rent), Annual



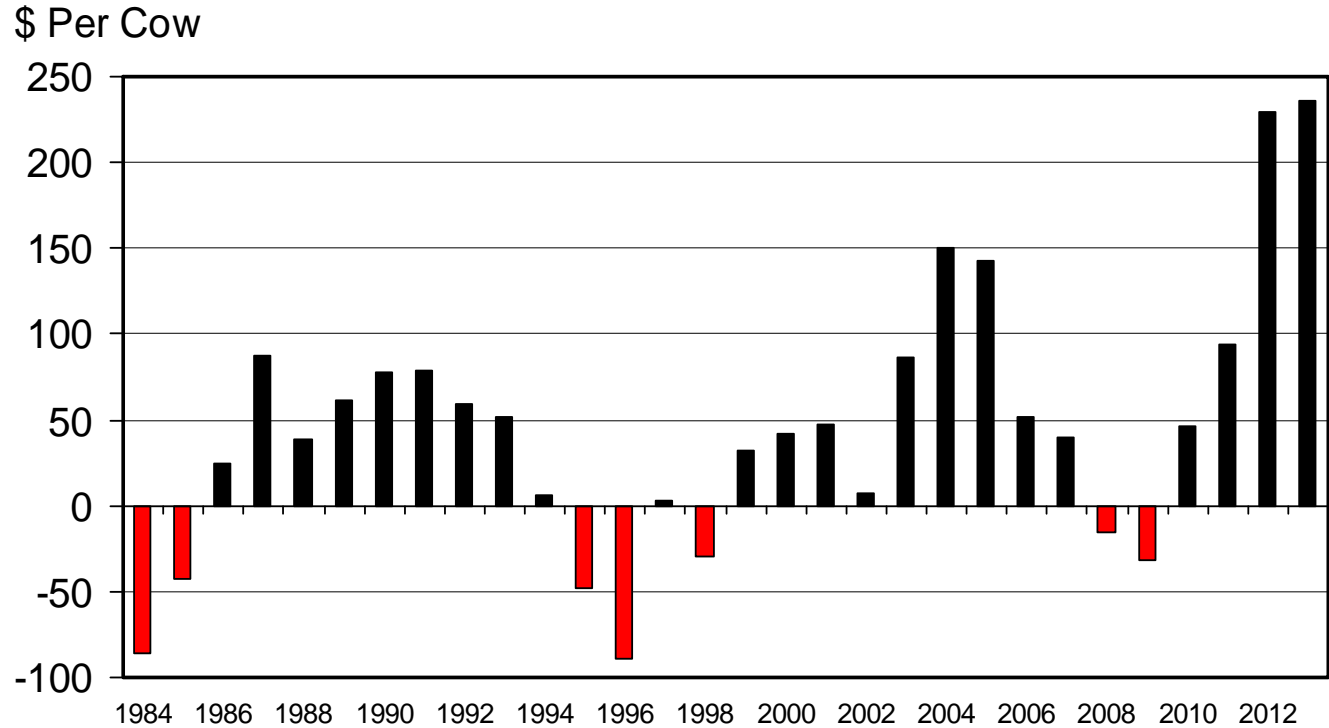
TREND: PROMISING YET UNFULFILLED TO-DATE HERD EXPANSION

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08/24/13

ESTIMATED AVERAGE COW CALF RETURNS

Returns Over Cash Cost (Includes Pasture Rent), Annual



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Economic Outlook Overview :

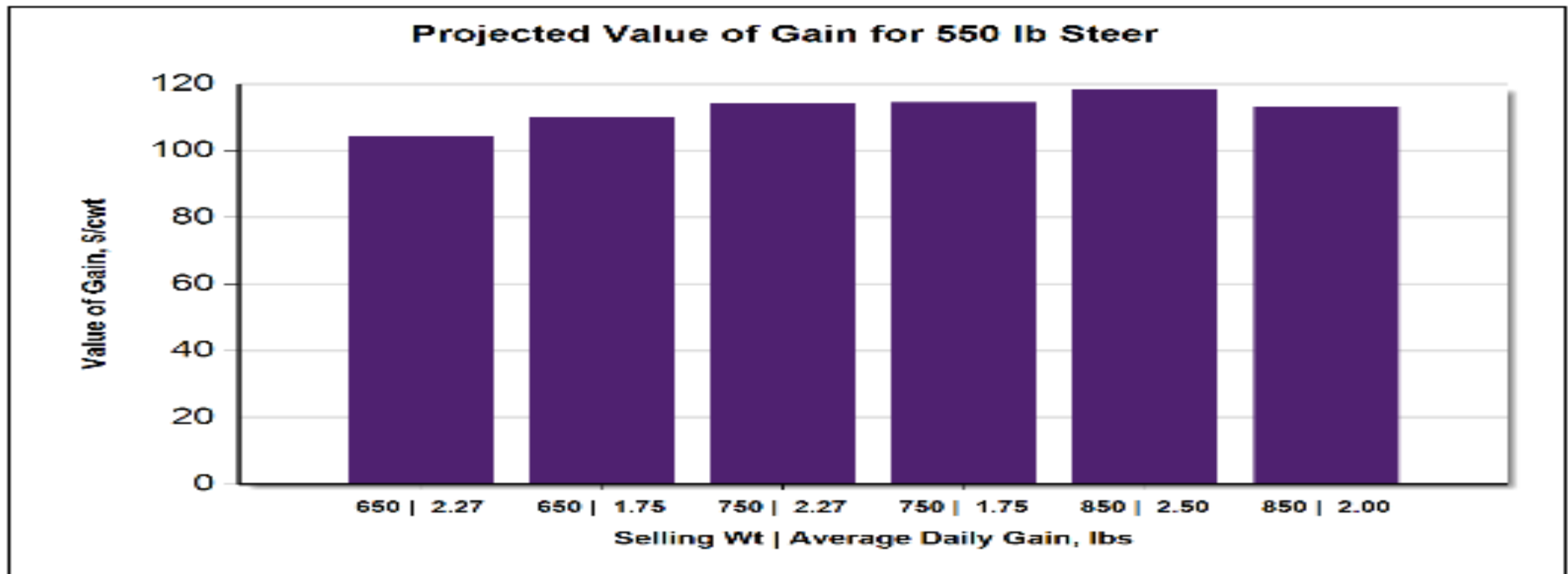
Stockers

- Attractive Values of Gain (VOG) vs. COG
 - For those in many stocker/backgrounding areas ...
- Salina, KS 9/10/13 situation:
 - Buy 550 lb steer on 10/16/13 (\$169.30)
 - Sell 750 lb steer on 1/15/14 (\$155.11) {2.17 ADG}
 - VOG: \$116.07/cwt
 - <http://www.beefbasis.com/ForecastingTools/ValueofGain/tabid/1132/Default.aspx>

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 - Sell 650 lb steer on 11/30/13 (ADG 2.17) = VOG: \$112.78/cwt
 - Sell 600 lb steer on 11/07/13 (ADG 2.17) = VOG: \$122.09/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	10/25/2013	100	2.27	\$104.25
550	650	11/07/2013	100	1.75	\$110.17
550	750	12/08/2013	200	2.27	\$114.40
550	750	01/03/2014	200	1.75	\$114.44
550	850	01/09/2014	300	2.50	\$118.51
550	850	02/08/2014	300	2.00	\$113.10

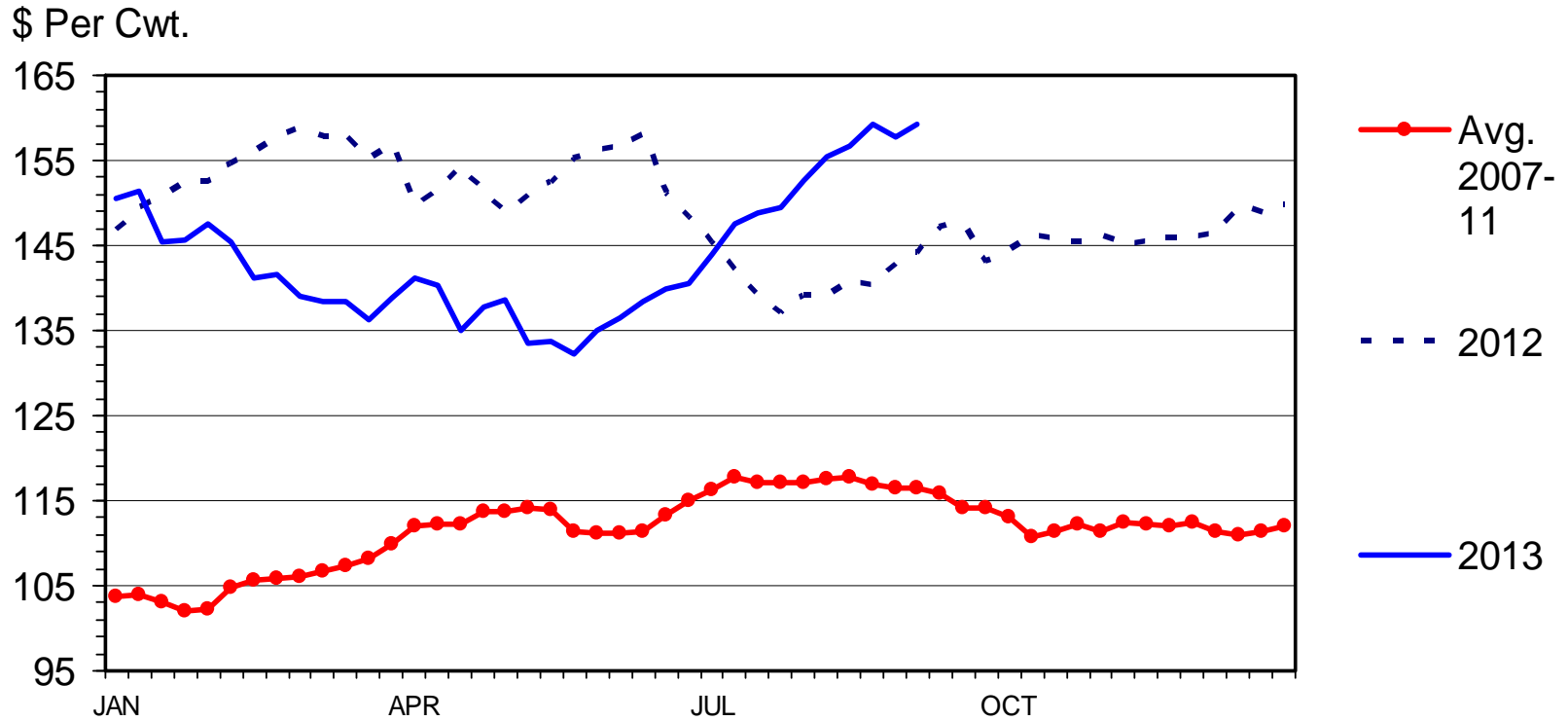
Note: Projections derived for the Salina, KS market using BeefBasis.com
 Related information is available at: BeefBasis.com

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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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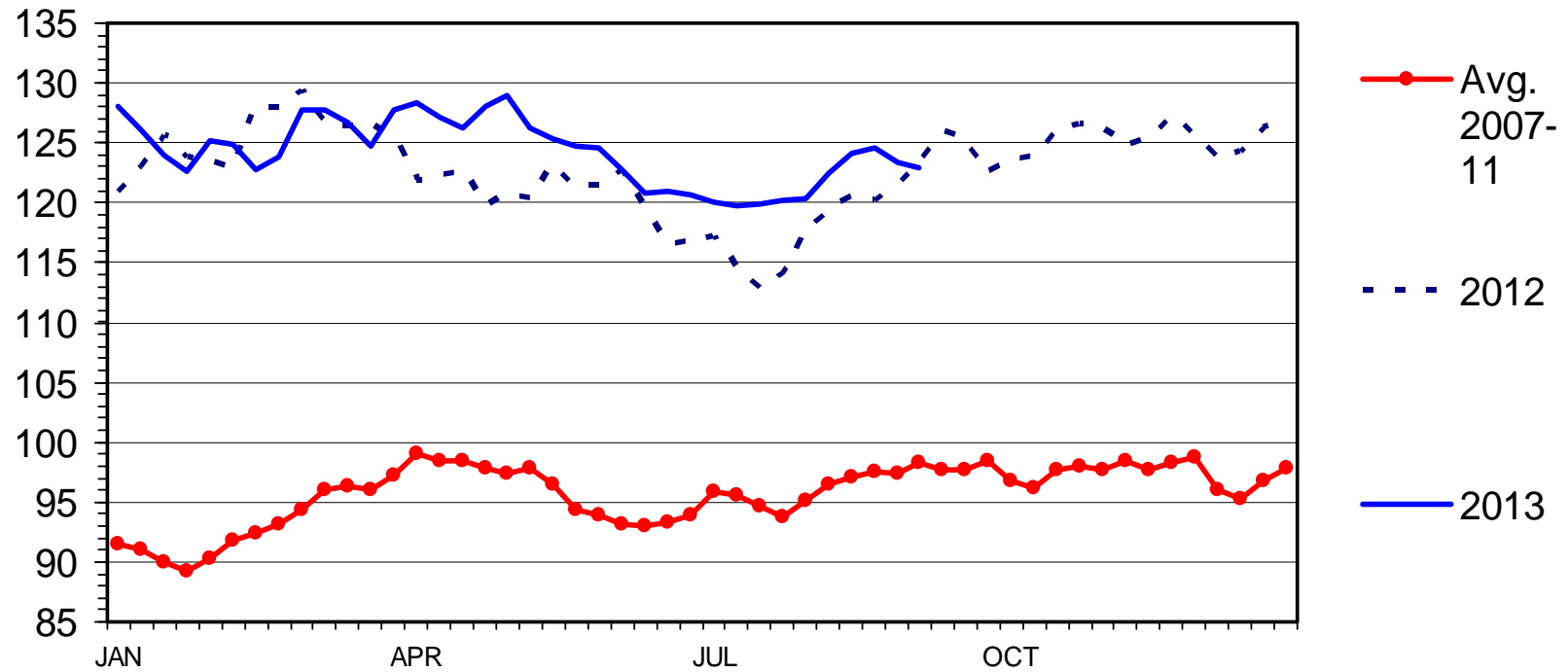
Feedlots

- Excess capacity concerns continue to grow:
 - Heifer Retention (?), MCOOL, *Zilmax*[®] 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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Data Source: USDA-AMS

Historical and Projected Kansas Feedlot Net Returns (as of 9/10/13')

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

July 13': -\$185.42/steer

Oct LC:
9/10: \$125.33
8/15: \$128.00
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
Aug-13	-112.02	119.01	121.80	133.88	98.16	129.79	120.92
Sep-13	-27.89	116.38	126.77	133.46	110.85	128.78	130.31
Oct-13	28.63	111.66	129.77	134.36	117.32	127.73	137.55
Nov-13	14.29	105.88	130.16	141.02	108.53	129.15	142.66
Dec-13	-7.53	100.31	130.54	148.83	98.98	131.07	147.94
Jan-14	-12.74	96.26	130.13	151.36	93.99	131.04	149.84

Representative Barometer for Trends in Profitability

Zilmax[®] Use

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

Zilmax[®] 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

Current Situation

- The Center For Food Integrity (@foodintegrity) tweeted on Wed, Sep 04, 2013:

“Science tells us if we can do something.

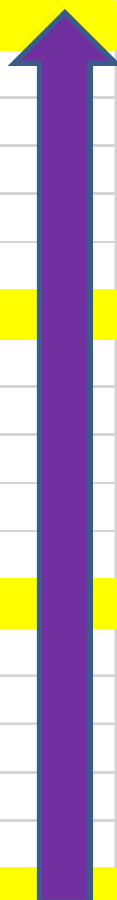
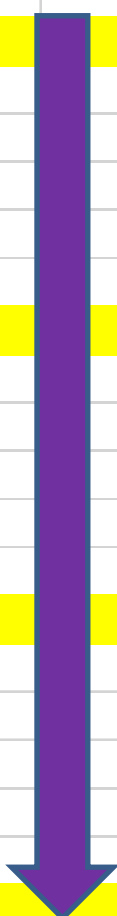
Society tells us if we should do it.”

-- See this week's *In the Cattle Markets* article:

<http://www.lmic.info/memberspublic/InTheCattleMarket.html>

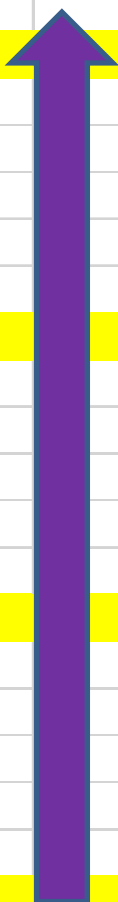
Quarterly Forecasts (LMIC: 09/10/13)

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	8,208	-1.5	796.5	0.8	6,538	-0.7
IV	7,660	-7.5	798.6	0.6	6,117	-6.9
Year	31,972	-3.0	792.7	0.8	25,344	-2.2
2014						
I	7,216	-7.2	801.3	1.0	5,782	-6.3
II	7,750	-6.9	790.6	1.0	6,127	-6.0
III	7,589	-7.5	804.3	1.0	6,104	-6.6
IV	7,155	-6.6	806.0	0.9	5,767	-5.7
Year	29,710	-7.1	800.4	1.0	23,780	-6.2
2015						
I	6,882	-4.6	806.0	0.6	5,547	-4.1
II	7,383	-4.7	797.5	0.9	5,888	-3.9
III	7,311	-3.7	812.3	1.0	5,939	-2.7
IV	6,979	-2.5	811.6	0.7	5,664	-1.8
Year	28,555	-3.9	806.8	0.8	23,038	-3.1



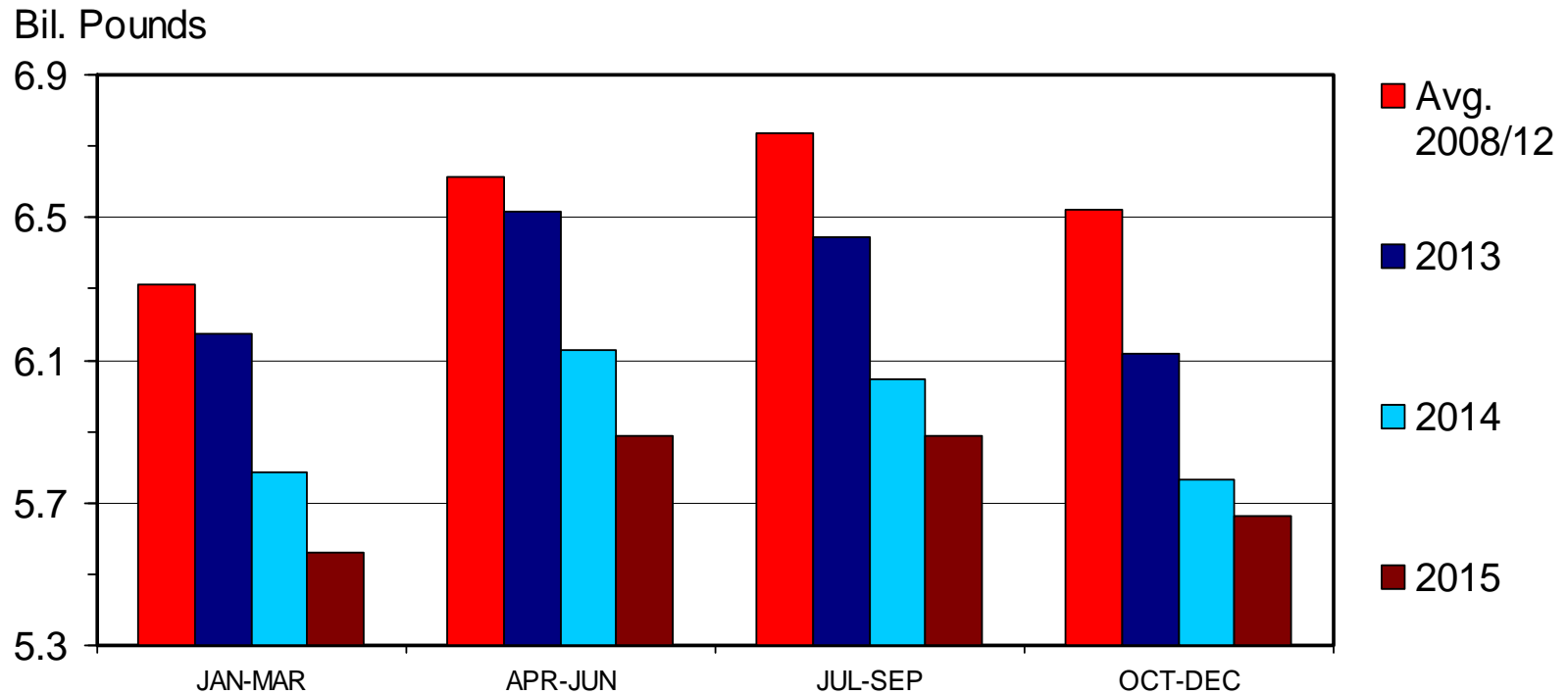
Quarterly Forecasts (LMIC: 09/10/13)

Year Quarter	Live Sltr.	% Chg. from Year Ago	Feeder Steer Price Southern Plains	
	Steer Price 5-Mkt Avg		7-800#	5-600#
2012				
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
Year	122.86	7.1	148.81	168.26
2013				
I	125.51	0.2	142.41	170.13
II	124.95	3.3	137.34	159.71
III	122-123	2.3	155-156	172-174
IV	127-130	2.4	153-156	169-174
Year	125-126	2.1	147-148	167-170
2014				
I	129-133	4.4	154-158	179-185
II	131-136	6.8	157-163	185-192
III	128-134	6.9	160-167	182-190
IV	131-138	4.7	158-166	178-188
Year	130-135	5.6	159-162	183-187
2015				
I	133-141	4.6	161-170	183-194
II	134-143	3.7	162-173	186-198
III	130-140	3.1	163-175	187-200
IV	134-145	3.7	160-173	182-196
Year	134-141	3.8	163-171	186-196



COMMERCIAL BEEF PRODUCTION

Quarterly



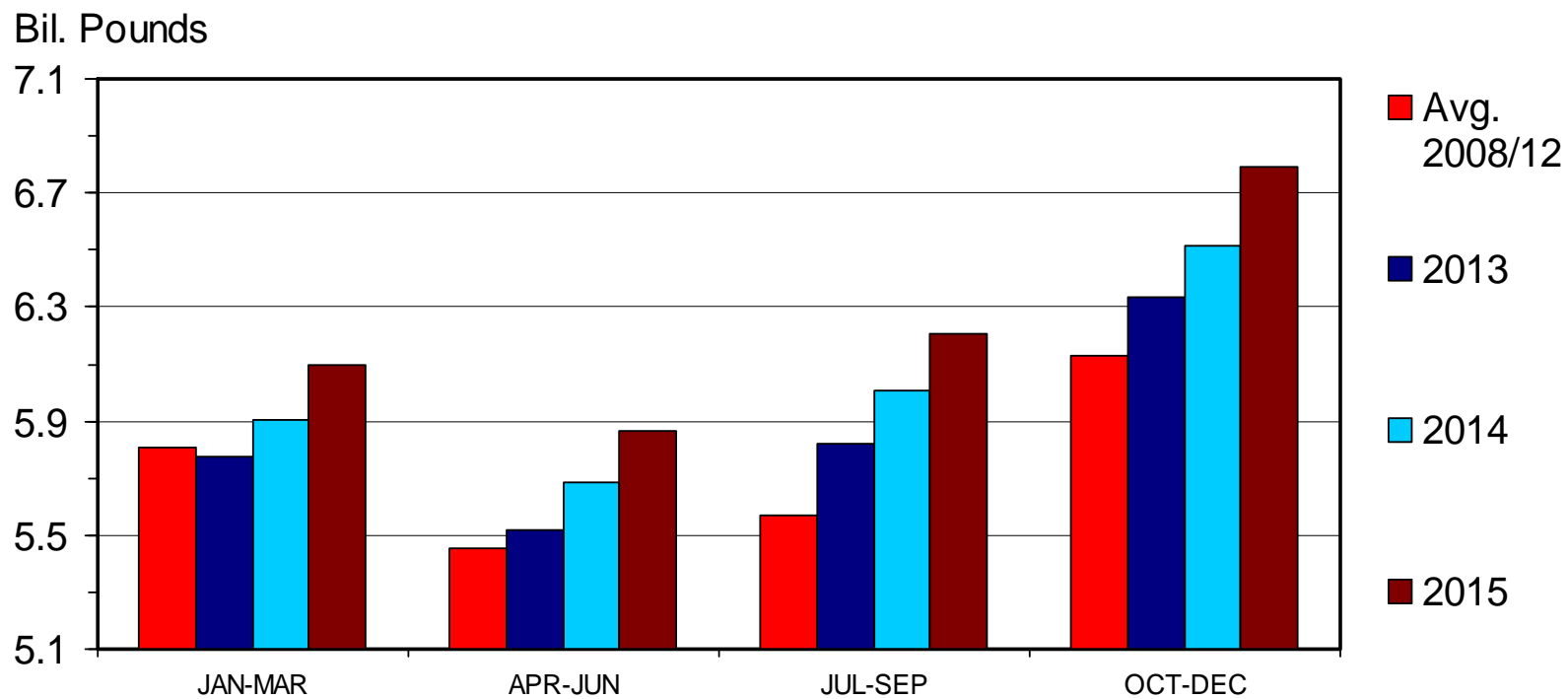
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COMMERCIAL PORK PRODUCTION

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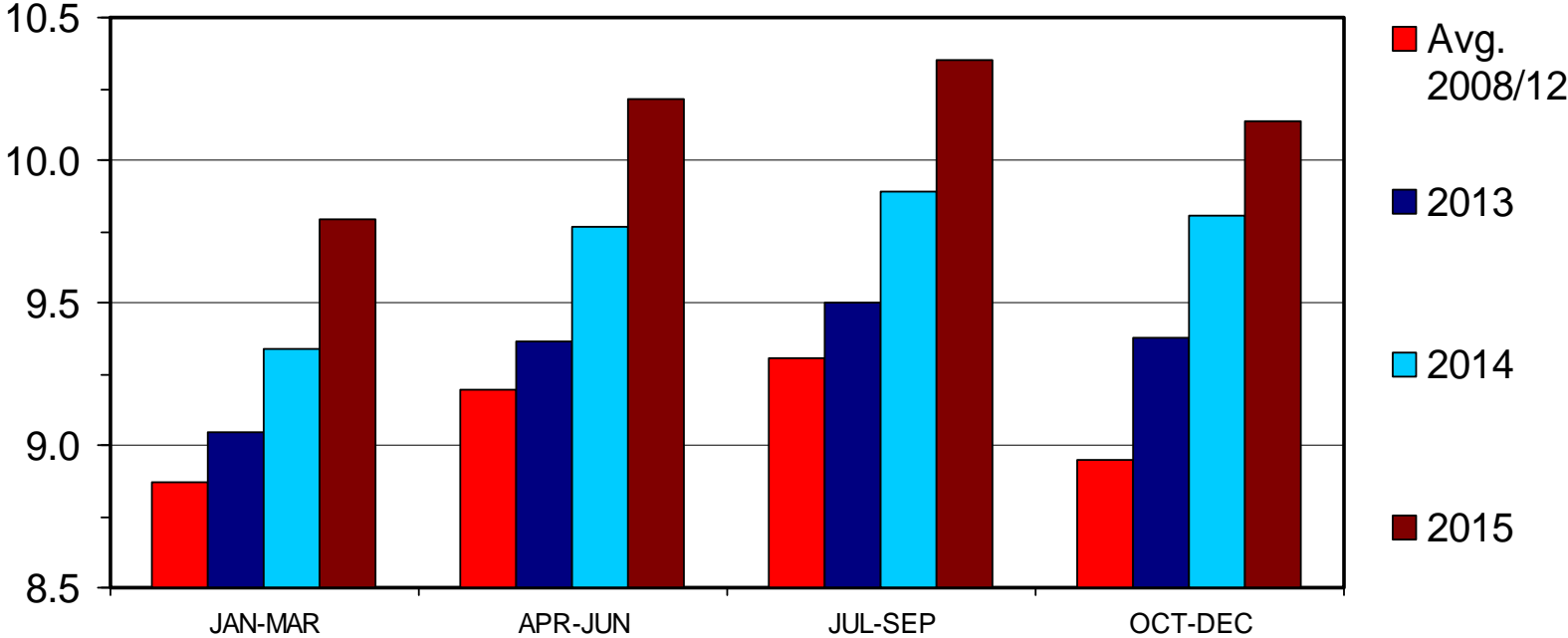
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RTC BROILER PRODUCTION

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Bil. Pounds



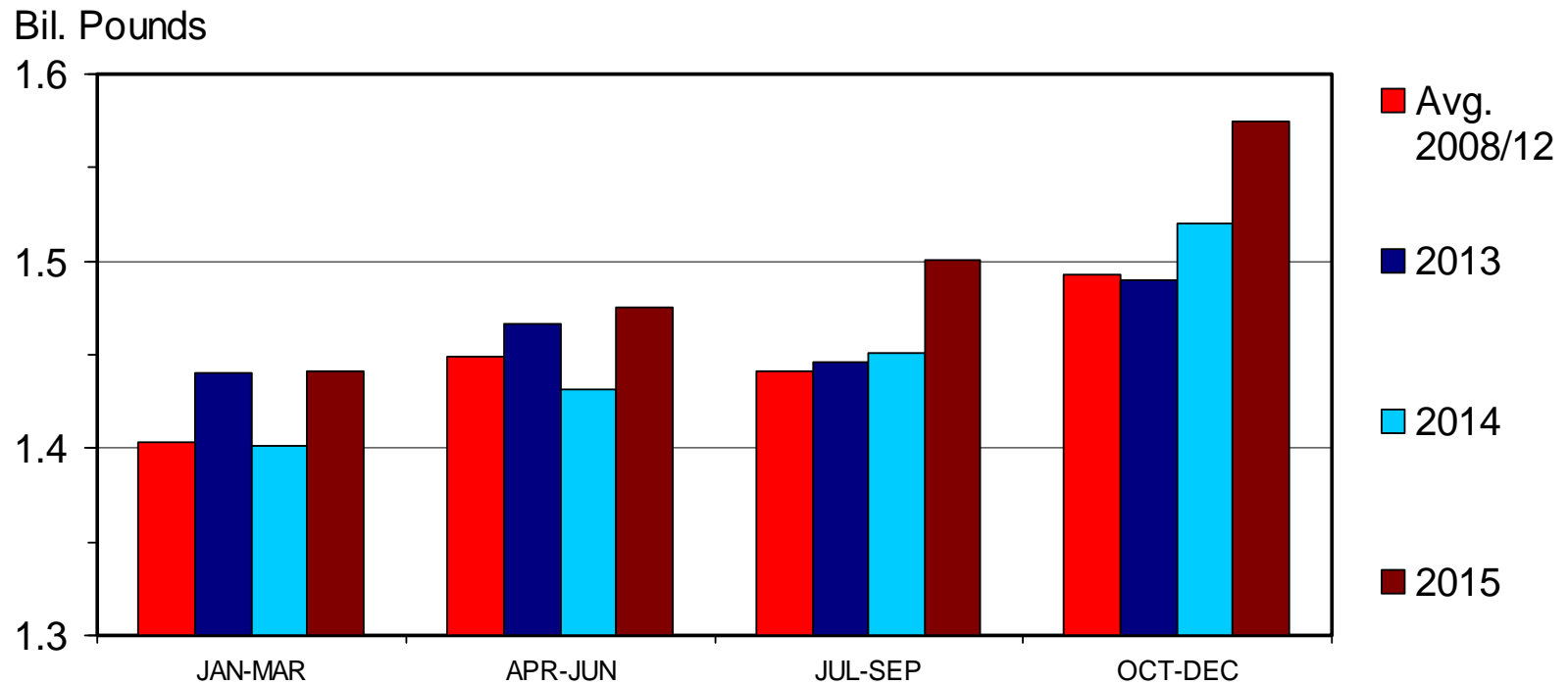
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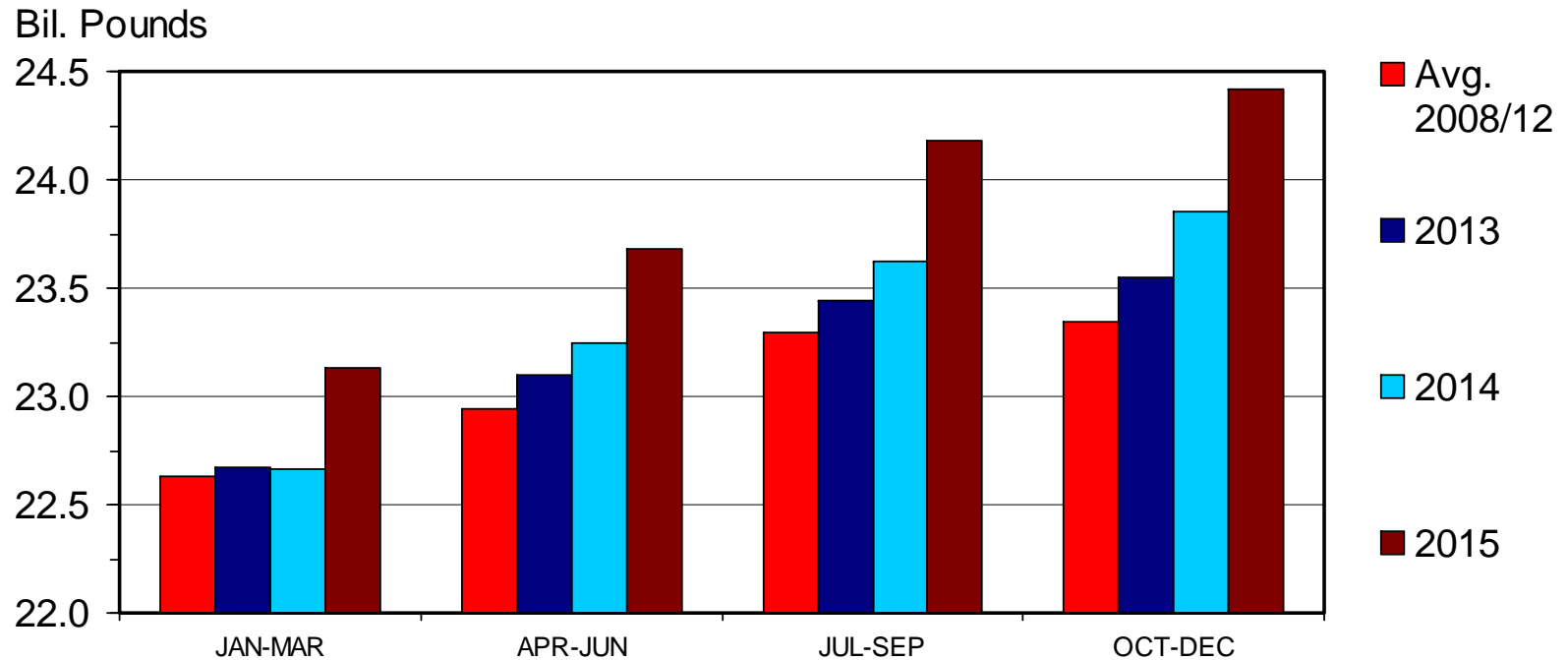
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TOTAL RED MEAT & POULTRY PRODUCTION

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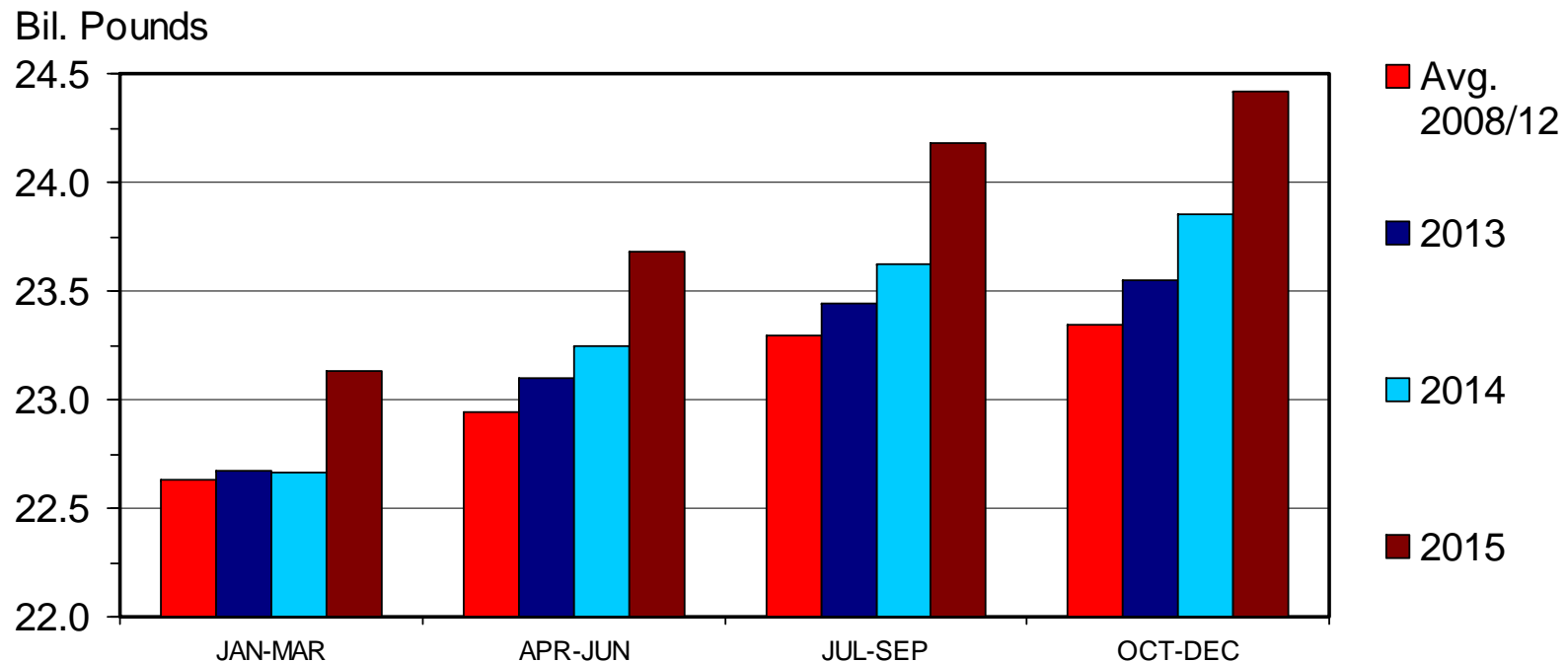


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TREND: BEEF SUPPLIES SHRINK WHILE PORK, POULTRY, and TOTAL MEAT SUPPLIES INCREASE



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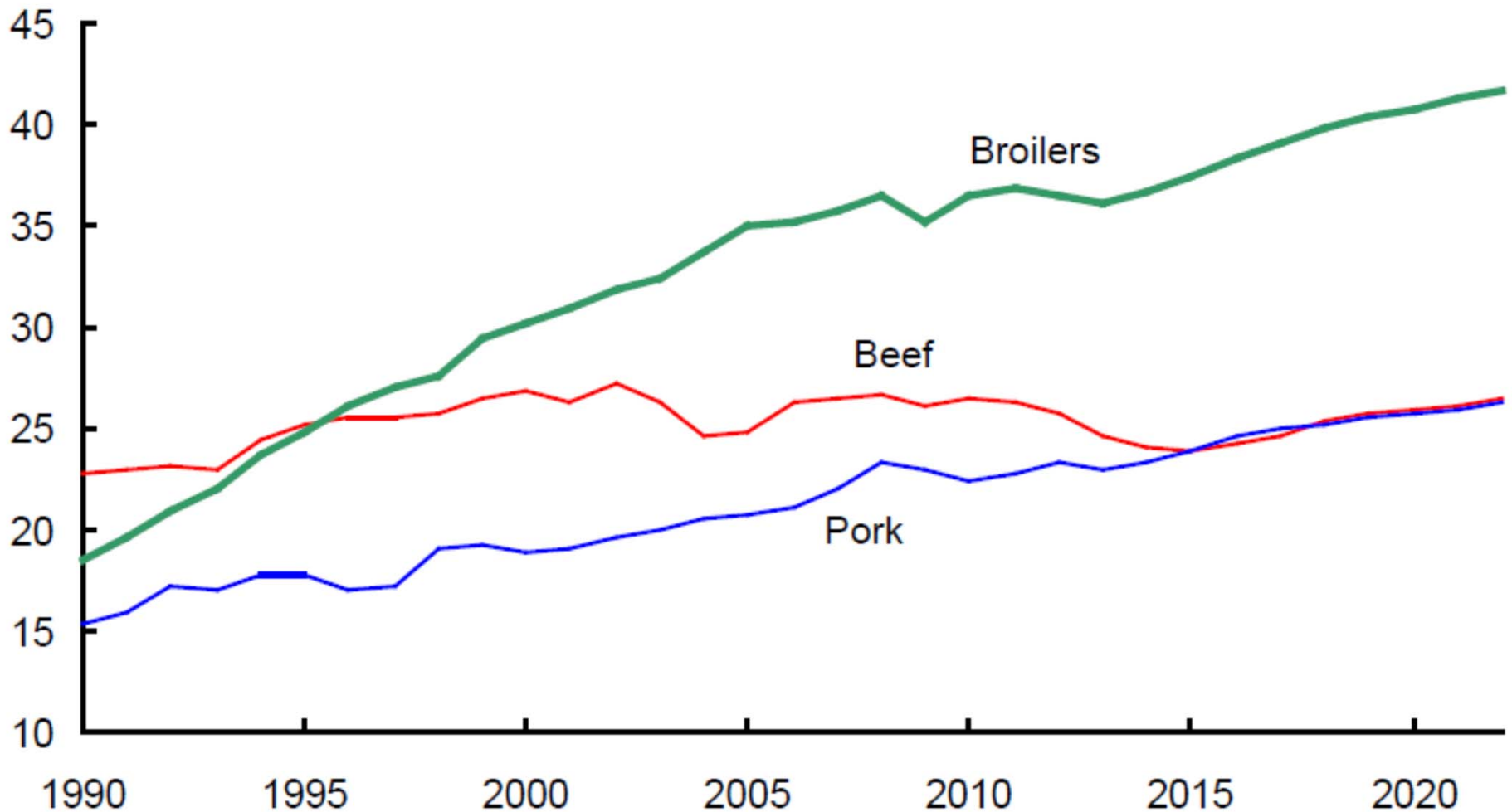
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Longer-term projections (*as of Feb. 2013*)

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

U.S. red meat and poultry production

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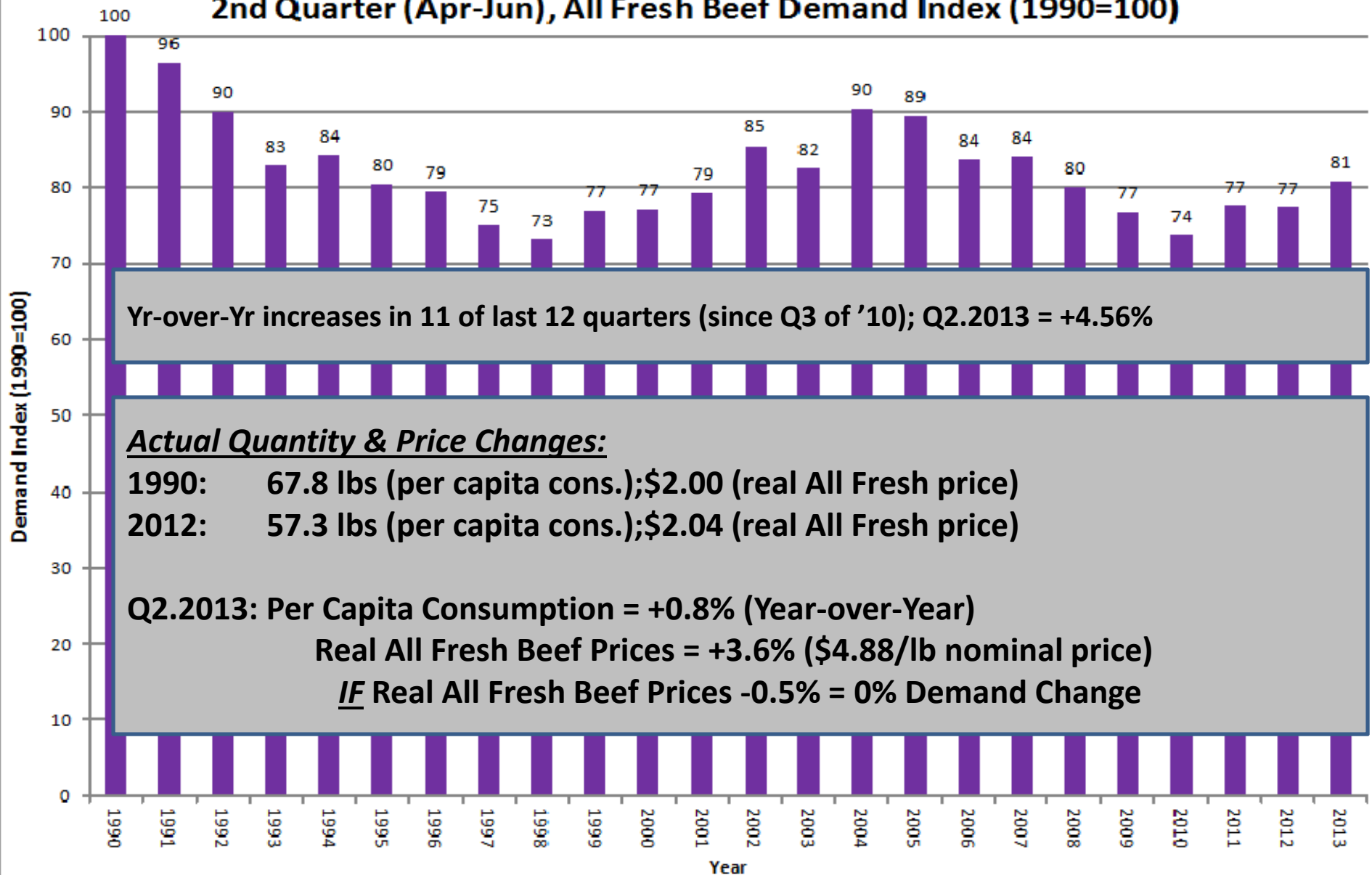
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2nd Quarter (Apr-Jun), All Fresh Beef Demand Index (1990=100)



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

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