CDE DAIRY MARKETS & MANAGEMENT UPDATE

All prices — TUESDAY, SEPT. 17, 2019 — except where noted

Crop production: The beginning of the 2019 growing season was challenging for much of the country. Corn and soybean planted acres were reduced compared to last year, and the last USDA Crop Production report indicates that challenging weather may have been a factor in reduced yields this year.

The last Crop Production report shows that 2019 corn production is forecasted to be 13.8 billion bushels, down 1% from the August forecast and down 4% from last year's corn production of 14.4 billion bushels. Corn yields are expected to average 168.2 bu/A. This is 1.3 bushels lower than the August forecast and 8.2 bushels lower than last year. Pennsylvania is expected to harvest about 960,000 acres of corn, up 10,000 acres from 2018. The yield is forecasted to be 155 bu/A, 4% higher than last year. The total corn harvest in Pennsylvania is expected to reach 148.8 million bushels, nearly 12% higher than 2018

The U.S. soybean crop is following the same trend as corn. U.S. soybean production is forecasted to be 3.63 billion bushels, also 1% lower than August's projection, but 20% lower than 2018's production of 4.54 billion bushels. The 2019 soybean crop is expected to yield 47.9 bushels per acre, down 0.6 bushel from the August forecast and down 3.7 bushels from last year's 51.6 bushels per acre—a decline of 7%.

Pennsylvania is expected to harvest 625,000 acres of soybeans, down from 630,000 acres last year (0.7% decline). Pennsylvania yield is expected to be 48 bu/A, the same as August's projection but an increase of 6.7% over the 2018 yield. The additional yield projected this year results in a total soybean production of 30 million bushels. This is an additional 165,000 bushels, or 5.8% increase, over the 2018 soybean yield of 28.35 million bushels. The increase in corn and soybean projections over last year for Pennsylvania-especially when the U.S. total is projected to be down—suggests that the Commonwealth's crops were not as adversely affected by the early bad weather.

In general, the last several months have seen corn prices increase and soybean prices decrease. According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service Prices change daily. This market information is an example for educational purposes. The market data below are compiled weekly by Farmshine, via CME & USDA reports

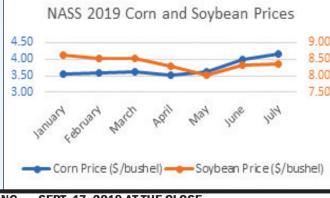
(NASS), corn price increased from \$3.56 per bushel in January to \$4.16 per bushel in July, a 17% increase. Although down from August, current USDA corn yield estimates are better than early

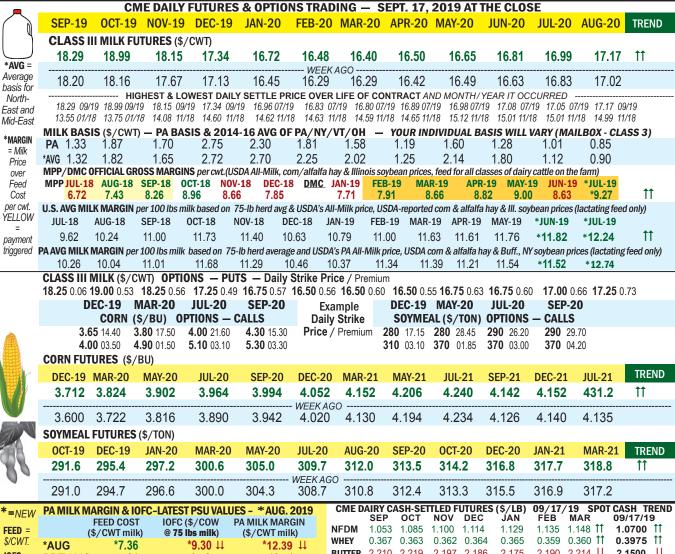
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industry expectations. Therefore, current CME corn futures are trading 60 to 80 cents below July's price. NASS soybean price has decreased, perhaps due in part to the current trade dispute with China. Soybean price declined from \$8.63 per bushel in January to \$8.02 per bushel in May before rising back to \$8.37 per bushel in July.

The next Crop Production report will be released in mid-October. Corn and soybean harvest should be further along by then, and better data should be available to more accurately predict yields. If yield projections continue to be adjusted down, and trade disputes endure, the effect on commodity prices may be hard to predict. Will prices increase or will they go down? I guess we will have to wait and see how everything works out.





*=NEW FEED = \$/CWT IOFC = \$/COW PREV MO 9.56 12 74 YR AGO 10.24

BUTTER 2.219 2.197 2.186 2.175 2.214 1 **CHEESE** 1 905 1 985 1 899 1 815 1 725 1 724 1 723 11 CME SPOT CHEESE: BARRELS 1.8900 / 40 LB BLOCKS 2.1700 11 / 11 **CURRENT FEDERAL ORDER VALUES (\$/LB) * = NEW**

USDA MAY 2019						
AL	MAILBO					
*FL		\$18.73				
*N.ENGL		\$18.56				
*WI		\$17.92				
*SE		\$17.69				
*NY		\$17.52				
*PA		\$17.35				
*U.S.		\$17.39				
*APPAL	\$18.80	\$17.45				
*OH	\$18.00	\$17.24				
*IN	\$17.60	\$17.12				
*MI	\$16.80	\$16.06				

Price

averages

Average to high dressing

COWS Fresh

N/A

*= NEW ANNOUNCED FEDERAL ORDER PRICES (\$/CWT)							
*CL I ADV↓↓	CL II	CL III11	CL IV↓↓ A	LL-MILK-U.S	ALL-MILK-PA		
					1119.10(JUL)		
		- MONTH AG	0	3.75F	3.68F		
17.85	17.61	17.55	16.90	18.10	18.80		
		YEAR AGO					
16.33	15.07	14.95	14.63	15.40	16.20		

735

725

HEIFERS:

*WEIGHTED AVG. 4-WK AUG. 1 - SEP. 2, 2019 *AUGUST 2019 **PRODUCT** VALUE MAKE ALLOW NET **COMPONENTS** CHEESE 1.8239 0.2003 1.6236 PROT 2.4430 BUTTER 2.3659 0.1715 2.1944 🔱 B.FAT 2.6575 $\downarrow\downarrow$ NFDM 1.0335 0.1678 0.8657 N.FAT 0.8570 DRYWHEY 0.3671 0.1991 0.1680 OTHER 0.1730 CATTLE - DAIRY PURPOSES(\$/HD) NORTHEAST (Avg. SEPT. 11, 2019 sale New Holland, PA) *MOST RECENT REPORT

900-1200 lbs

N/A

600

CURRENT

85.00

48.00

20.00

do not 1025 975 885 include lower-end 'common' 1030 885 1000 cows and Avg. of prices reported by USDA Market News for heifers. & NY Auction Markets Sept. 12-17, 2019 **CULL MARKET COWS (\$/CWT LIVEWEIGHT)**

Bred

Premium White Breakers Boners Lean N/A 64.00↓↓ 58.50↓↓ 55.75↓↓ **WEEK AGO** 66.60 65.50 56.60

YEAR AGO

59.00

56.25

47.25

Springing



BULL CALVES: No. 1 & 2, 90-130 lbs

FED HOLSTEIN STEERS (\$/CWT LIVEWEIGHT)

Bred Springing Open:

FOUR WEEK RUNNING AVG

Choice & Prime 1250-1550 lbs

1065

1025

300-600 lbs

300

350

70-85 lbs

light test

600-900 lbs

550

500





YR AGO

81 50

45 00

25.00

11

BULLS (600-1800 lb)

825

750

WFFK AGO

N/A

40 00

N/A