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WEEKLY COMMODITY AT A GLANCE

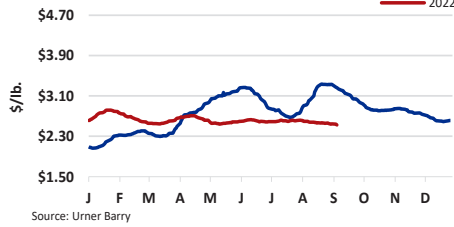
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Omaha, US No 2 Yellow Corn	UNQ	UNQ	5.85
CBOT Soybean	1,489.25	1,510.50	1,276.50
NYMEX Light Crude Oil	86.79	86.87	70.46
Loose Lard, Chicago Basis	UNQ	UNQ	0.74
Edible Tallow, Chicago Basis	UNQ	UNQ	UNQ
Beef Trimmings, 90% Fresh	268.00	270.00	281.00
Beef Trimmings, 50% Fresh	110.00	111.00	148.00
Aust/NZ Blend Cow 90% EC Spot	262.00	264.00	283.00
USDA Drop Credit	0.139	0.138	0.153
112A 3 Ribeye Roll, Lip-On CH	950.00	950.00	1,475.00
116A 3 Chuck Roll, Neck-Off CH	330.00	330.00	470.00
168 3 Round, Top (Inside) CH	290.00	290.00	350.00
180 3 Strip Loin, Bnls, Ox1 CH	675.00	750.00	800.00
136 Coarse Ground 81%	250.00	250.00	270.00
189A 4 Loin, Tenderloin, PSMO CH	1,200.00	1,175.00	1,675.00
Cattle-Fax, 6-State Fed Steer Price	142.83	144.60	124.55
Select Hams 20/23	100.00	97.00	61.00
Sq Cut Bellies 14/16	155.00	160.00	168.00
1/4 Trmd. Loins 21/dn	123.00	126.00	106.00
1/4 Tr Boston Butts 9/dn	116.00	111.00	114.00
Spareribs, Light, Fresh	145.00	147.00	157.00
Fresh Pork Trim (42%)	102.00	77.00	71.00
Fresh Pork Trim (72%)	105.00	86.00	117.00
Carcass Lamb Y4+55/65	4.51	4.51	5.55
Lamb Cuts, 204 Rack, 8-Rib, 7/Up	14.50	14.50	15.00
Lamb Cuts, 206 Shoulder, Cross Cut	4.55	4.55	5.10
Lamb Cuts, 232 Loin Trmd 4x4	8.50	8.50	11.65
Lamb Cuts, 234 Leg, Boneless	7.00	7.00	9.60
Carcass Veal, Hide-off, 255/315, NC	4.40	4.40	3.60
Veal Cuts, 306 Hotel Rack, 7-Rib 14/20	12.50	12.50	10.50
Veal Cuts, 310 Shoulder Clod 14/20	8.25	8.25	8.00
Veal Cuts, 332 Loin, 4x4 Trim 12/18	6.75	6.75	7.25
Veal Cuts, 363A Leg, TBS 3-Pc 24/32	10.75	10.75	10.75

Quotes represent the high side of Friday's trading range

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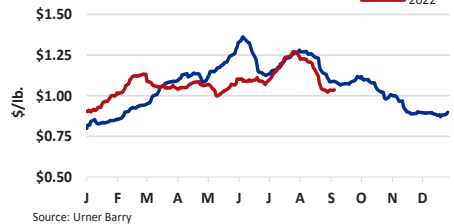
	9/9	9/2	8/26
Weekly Imported Aust/NZ Blend Cow 90% EC 7:45	2.64	2.64	2.64
Weekly Weighted Average Blended Boxed Beef Cutout Index	253.78	253.74	257.82

UB Beef Index



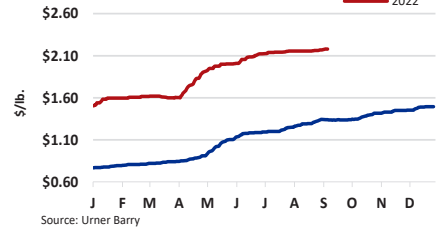
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UB Pork Cutout



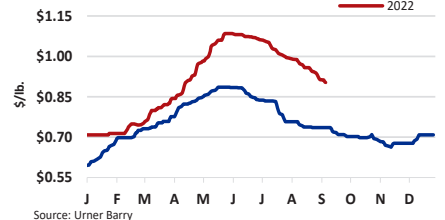
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UB Turkey Index



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UB Chicken Index



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EST. DAILY CATTLE SLAUGHTER

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	Total
TW	3	127	128	127	127	92	604
LW	122	126	125	125	123	17	638
*LY	4	119	122	121	120	93	579

EST. DAILY HOG SLAUGHTER

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	Total
TW	2	483	483	478	480	317	2,243
LW	480	480	475	480	431	10	2,356
*LY	7	471	477	481	466	347	2,248

EST. DAILY SHEEP SLAUGHTER

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	Total
TW	0	9	6	7	6	0	28
LW	9	7	6	6	4	0	32
*LY	1	9	7	7	5	1	31

EST. DAILY CALVES SLAUGHTER

	M	T	W	TH	F	S	Total
TW	0	1	1	1	1	0	4
LW	2	1	1	1	1	0	6
*LY	2	0	0	2	2	2	7

EST. DAILY COW & BULL SLAUGHTER

	F	S	M	T	W	TH	Total
LW	8/26	8/27	8/29	8/30	8/31	9/1	147
TW	9/2	9/3	9/5	9/6	9/7	9/8	118
*LY	25	11	1	26	27	27	117

*Last Year's numbers are rounded

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Australia, Dollar	0.684	0.684	0.736
Mexico, Peso	19.876	19.953	19.855
Canada, Dollar	1.304	1.311	1.261
Japan, Yen	142.356	140.143	109.939
China, Yuan (RMB)	6.926	6.900	6.438
Brazil, Real	5.184	5.182	5.204
South Korea, Won	1,374.25	1,357.71	1,167.73
Taiwan, Dollar	30.812	30.575	27.660
European Union, Euro	1.005	1.002	1.184

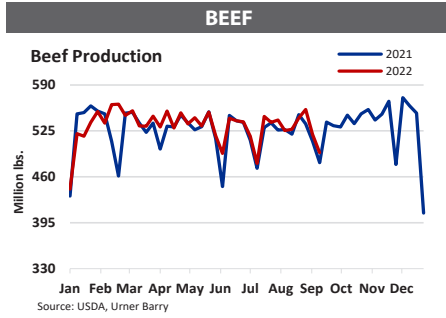
COLD STORAGE STOCKS

(Pounds in Thousands)	7/31/21	6/30/22	7/31/22
Beef in Freezer, Bnls	371,150	469,017	456,861
Cuts	29,693	47,789	53,980
Total Beef	400,843	516,806	510,841
PORK & OTHER	7/31/21	6/30/22	7/31/22
Pork in Freezer, Picnics	4,631	8,049	6,625
Hams	152,598	139,283	151,319
Bellies	27,778	53,183	42,443
Loins	31,317	35,240	33,024
Spareribs	61,051	108,642	108,181
Butts	11,101	17,440	14,596
Trimmings	35,904	52,431	52,148
Other Pork in Freezer	52,500	51,599	51,750
Total	441,664	538,720	530,097
Veal in Freezer	5,409	2,705	2,777
Lamb & Mutton in Freezer	21,010	22,813	25,756
Total	26,419	25,518	28,533

Data Updated: August 22, 2022

URNER BARRY'S WEEKLY RED MEAT INSIDER'S REPORT is available on FoodMarket.com and through Urner Barry's flagship service Comtell Online. FoodMarket is available for \$37.00 a month.

UB BEEF CUTOUT Sep-09 v. Sep-02				
	CHOICE	SELECT	NO-ROLL	CAB
Rib	0.34%	-0.42%	-0.98%	1.82%
Chuck	0.04%	-1.04%	-0.17%	-1.69%
Round	1.61%	0.87%	-0.44%	1.11%
Loin	-4.32%	-4.37%	-3.51%	-1.22%
Brisket	-3.01%	-2.44%	-1.79%	-2.79%
Plate	0.28%	0.28%	0.28%	-0.97%
Flank	-1.01%	-1.97%	-1.99%	-0.93%
Total	-1.00%	-1.49%	-1.36%	-0.40%



BEEF COMMENTARY

Coming out of the holiday weekend it seemed to take the boxed beef market a day to get going but by mid-week we saw some of the largest volumes traded of the year. The overall market was softer this week after a slight rally seen last week with the choice cutout breaking south of \$260.00/cwt. We are in the period where all the forward sales throughout the summer are finally being realized which has buyers sitting on adequate supplies of product, leaving no real incentive to step into the market unprovoked. Discounting was the norm around loins which did seem to spark some interest albeit at lower money.

LIVE CATTLE: Cash cattle prices this week were steady to \$1.00 higher in the South at mostly \$141.00/cwt live and steady to \$1.00/cwt lower in the North at \$142.00/cwt to \$145.00/cwt live. Dressed sales were down \$2-\$4.00/cwt at \$226.00/cwt.

SLAUGHTER & BEEF PRODUCTION: The weekly federally inspected slaughter was 604,000 head, down from 638,000 head last week. Live weights ended the week four pounds higher at 1352 pounds. Dressed weights were also up four pounds higher at 821 pounds.

RIBS: The rib market saw nearly zero changes this week as there still seemed to be a few participants comfortable with current ranges. Exports seemed to be more attractive as we saw larger volumes traded in this area compared to boneless. The \$9.00/lb. price point on boneless items still seemed to keep participants skeptical about taking on larger quantities. And with the full production schedule expected next week it'll be interesting to see if tones begin to shift.

CHUCKS: The chuck complex found itself rangebound once again with a few minor price adjustments. And those minor adjustments were more ranges tightening than a directional shift. Chuck rolls were about the only item we saw downward pressure form but with that discounting came an increase in demand.

ROUNDS: Rounds continued to find higher bids this week as procurement for the fall months has begun. Insides were steady on the week with only cap-offs finding slightly higher money. Flats, eyes, and peeled knuckles were all sought after this week and this allowed us to move up accordingly. With the full production week ahead and cooler weather supposedly rolling through the Midwest next week it'll be interesting to see demand continues to match supplies.

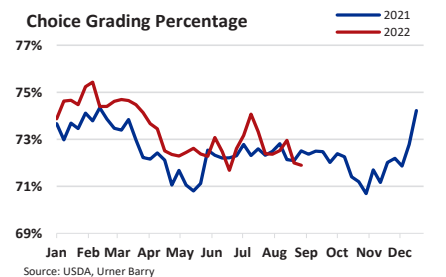
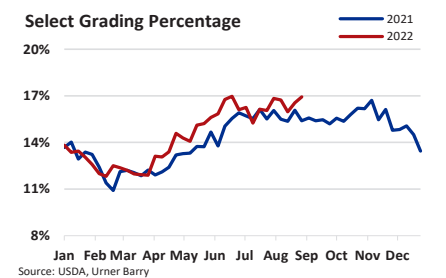
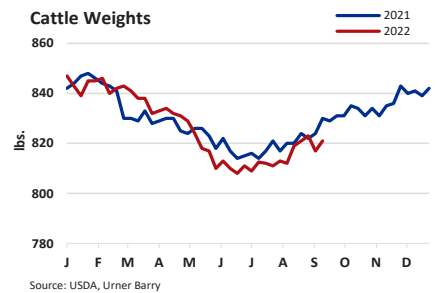
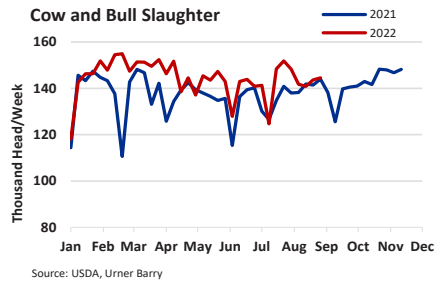
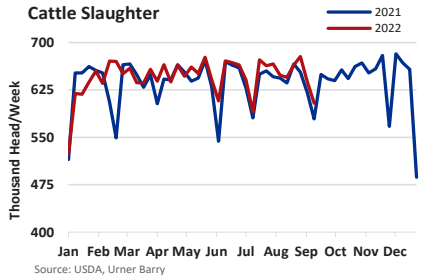
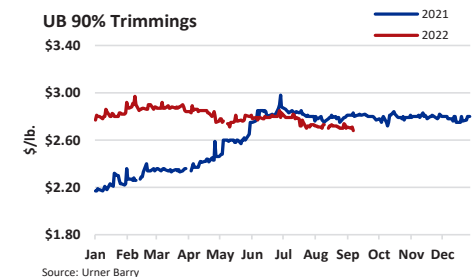
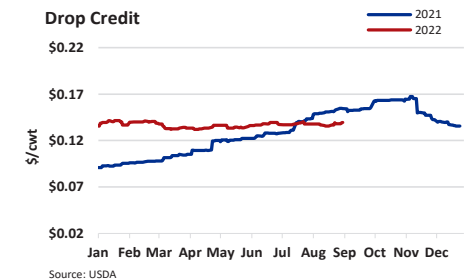
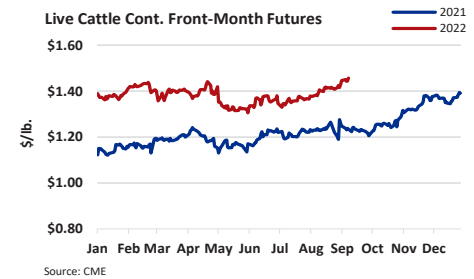
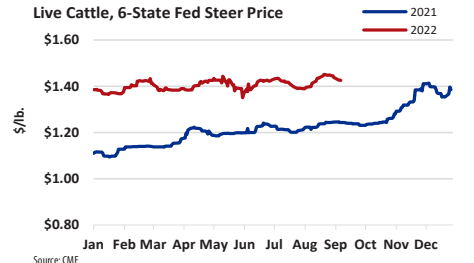
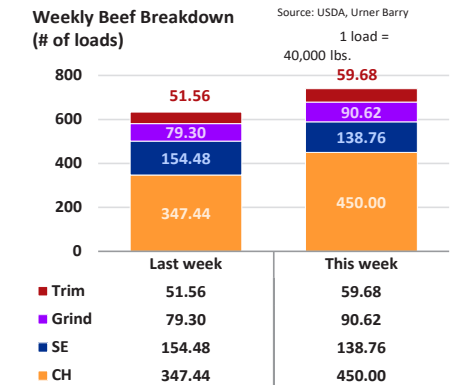
LOINS: Loins continued to be in a freefall for much of the week with sellers looking to find price points to entice buyers back into the market. Towards the end of the week, we saw activity pick up in this area as the new round of pricing seemed to be more palatable for buyers. Participants wonder whether retail may try to squeeze in a few more features before the cooler weather truly arrives.

GROUND BEEF: Grinds have been a quiet area for some time now and many do not expect this to change until chili season ramps up. Supplies were irregular and spreads in trade showcased this throughout the week. Conversations still highlight this may just be a temporary lull as many expect inflation concerns to still make this an attractive item for the consumer.

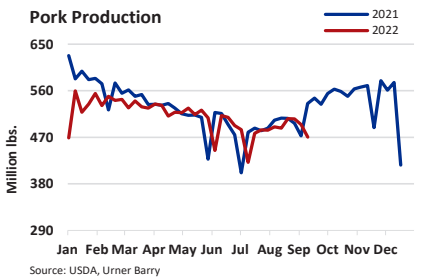
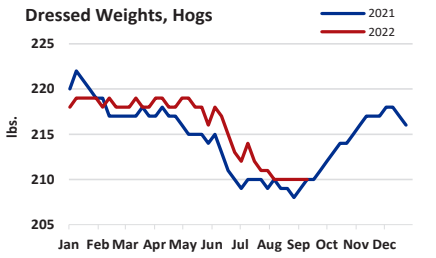
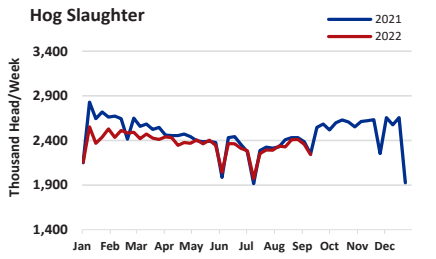
BONELESS BEEF: The market for fresh 50s was under some downward pressure this week. Weakness in that market was attributed to supplies being more readily available in some areas. This week's cattle slaughter was estimated at 604,000 head. Leaner boneless beef was steady to weaker. Demand was reportedly moderate at best in most areas.

UB BEEF CUTOUT-CH/SE SPREAD (\$/cwt)					
	M	T	W	TH	F
TW	-	21.67	22.42	21.69	21.25
*LW	24.15	22.80	21.08	20.63	20.29

*Last Week's numbers are rounded

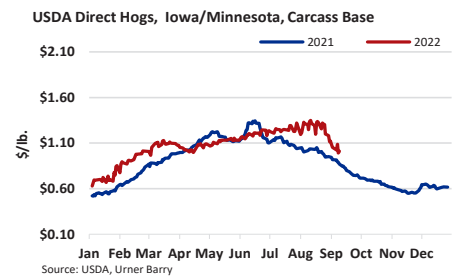
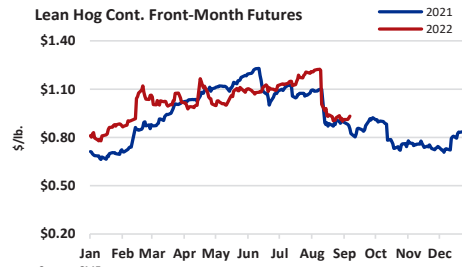


PORK PRODUCTION



LIVE HOGS & CUTOUT

PORK CUTOUT	Sep-02	Sep-09	Change
Loin	100.700	102.940	2.240
Butt	96.150	101.240	5.090
Picnic	79.720	84.720	5.000
Sparerib	138.860	138.380	-0.480
Ham	96.710	99.360	2.650
Belly	150.740	144.770	-5.970
Cutout Value	102.419	103.774	1.355



PORK COMMENTARY

The post-Labor Day market was volatile for a number of items this week, particularly those on the processor side. While retail items were fairly sideways for much of the week, hams, bellies, and trimmings were all unsettled and moved my greater degrees. Urner Barry's pork carcass cutout increased by 1.32 percent during the week. Estimates of margins for outside purchasers of hogs on Friday were \$8.34/head while margins for vertically integrated packers were estimated at \$6.09/head.

PORK PRODUCTION: Pork production for the week ending 9/10/2022 was estimated to be 470.5 million pounds. This was 4.9 percent lower than last week and a 0.5 percent decrease from a year ago. Live hog weights averaged 282 pounds for the week, which was even with last week and 1 pound heavier than a year ago.

GREEN MEATS: In the green meat complex, hams were mixed. Bone-in product was firm on domestic and international interest, as record turkey prices continue to make ham a competitive substitute. Boneless hams failed to garner the same enthusiasm and traded lower during the week. Bellies adjusted lower as participants worked through excess supplies following the holiday. In trim, 42s, 72s, and boneless picnics all saw notable gains on limited volume with domestic availability lacking.

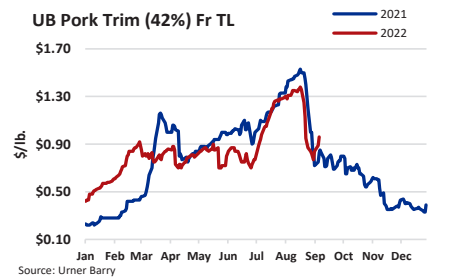
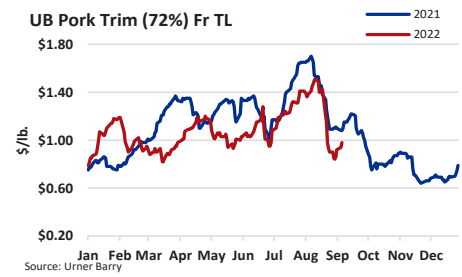
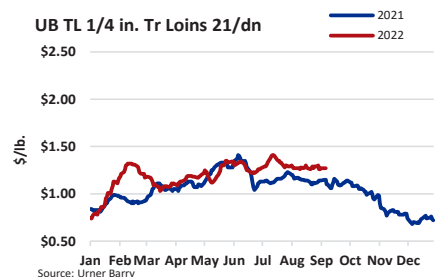
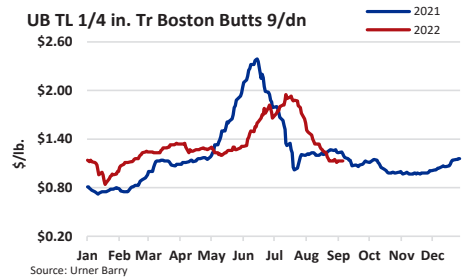
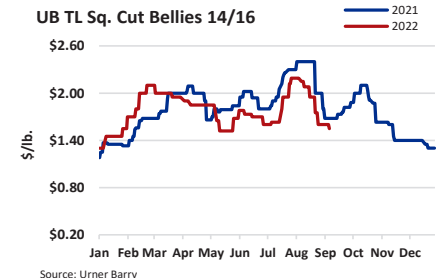
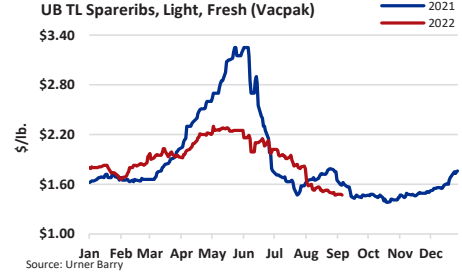
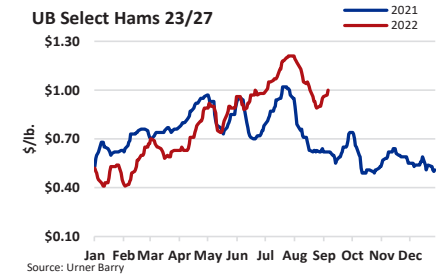
HAMS: Bone-in ham values were \$3.50/cwt to \$6.00/cwt firmer while boneless cuts were \$6.00/cwt to \$7.50/cwt weaker.

BELLIES: Skinless bellies were \$7.50 to \$18.00/cwt weaker on average.

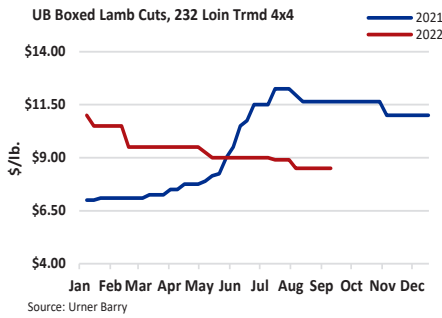
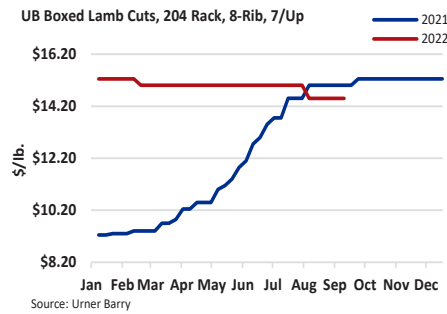
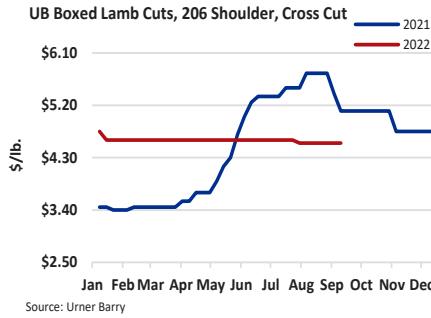
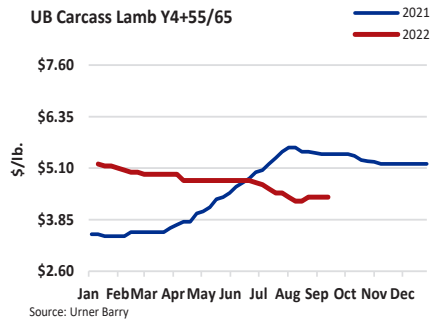
TRIMMINGS: 42s were \$25.50/cwt stronger while 72s were \$19.50/cwt higher. Meanwhile, boneless picnics were \$5.50/cwt stronger.

RETAIL: 1/4" bone-in loins were \$3.50/cwt weaker while 1/8" loins were \$.50/cwt weaker. Boneless strap-on loins were \$11.50/cwt higher while boneless strap-off loins increased by \$5.00/cwt. Bone-in sirloins were \$4.00/cwt higher while boneless sirloins declined \$2.00/cwt. Tenderloins decreased by \$5.00/cwt throughout the week. 1/4" bone-in butts were up \$5.00/cwt while boneless butts gained \$7.00/cwt. Light spareribs decreased \$2.50/cwt while medium spareribs gained \$1.50/cwt

PORK PROCESSING ITEMS & RETAIL CUTS

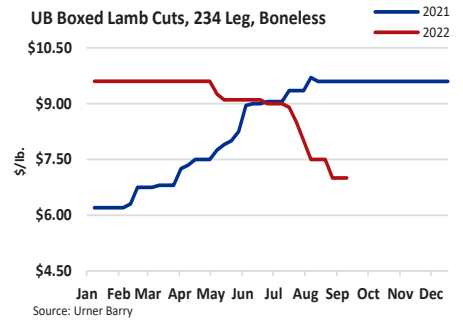


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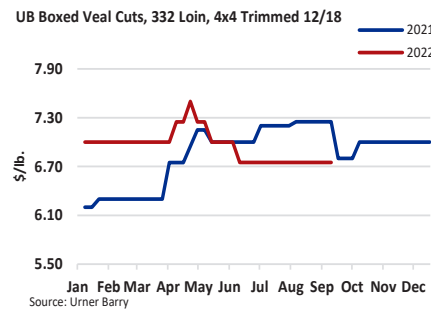
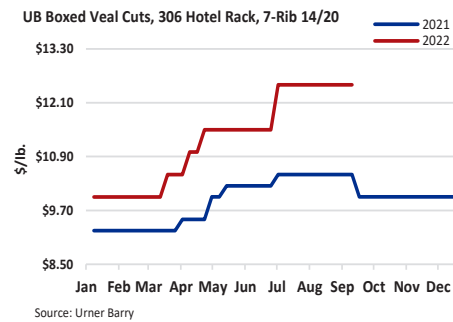
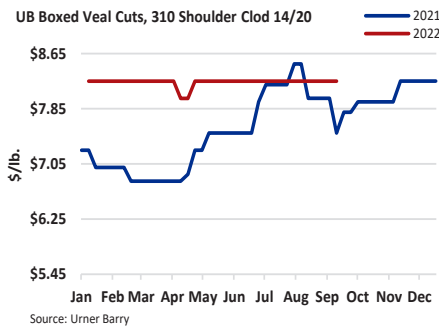
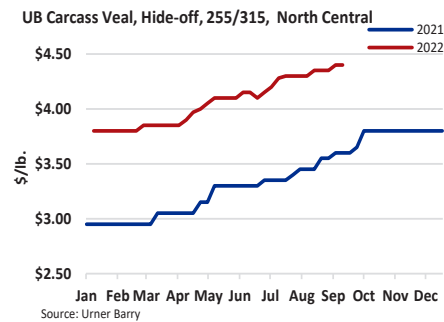


LAMB COMMENTARY

Lamb carcasses were mostly steady this week. Buying interest was reportedly moderate at best in most areas. Domestic boxed lamb cuts were largely unchanged. In the most recent USDA Weekly Meat Production Under Federal Inspection report, weekly sheep slaughter was at 32,000 head, which was steady with last week and 4,000 head less than a year ago.

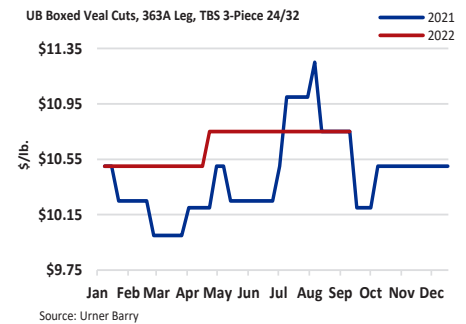


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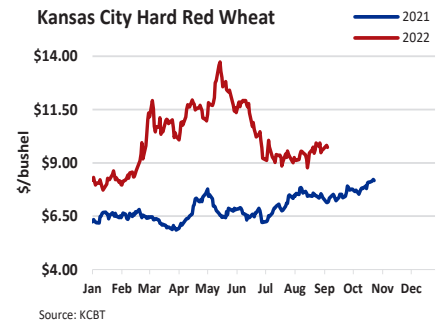
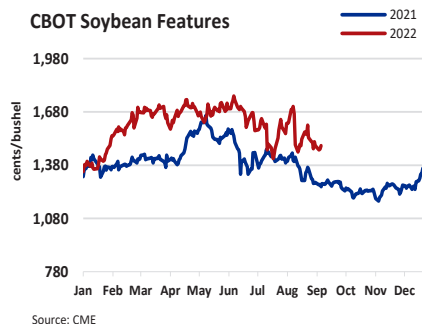
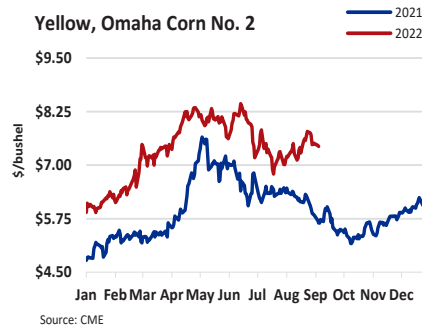


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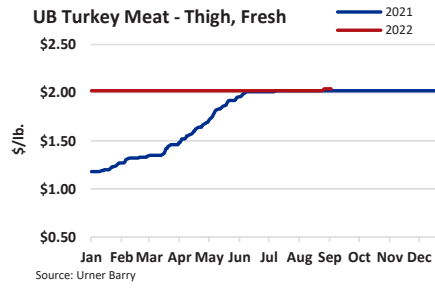
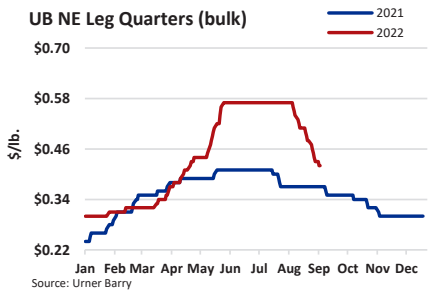
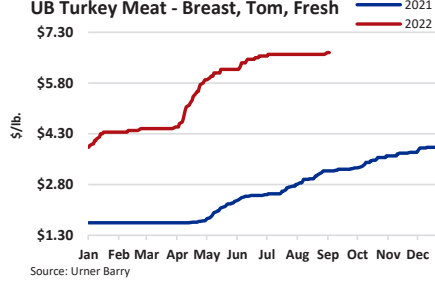
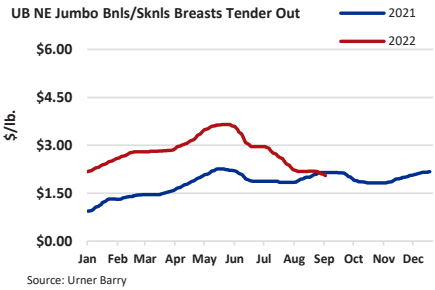
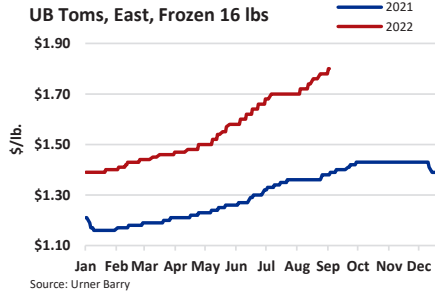
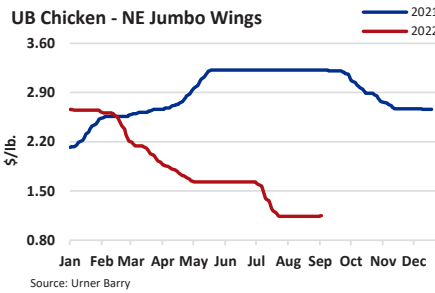
Veal carcasses were generally steady on the week. Some participants indicated that there was more volume trading near the lower end of our quotation. Boxed veal cuts were once again largely unchanged. Supply and demand appeared to be in balance. The USDA Special Fed Veal Slaughter was at 2,590, which was 60 head higher than the previous week. The USDA Special Fed Veal weights were at 282.9 pounds, which was 6.2 pounds lighter than last week.



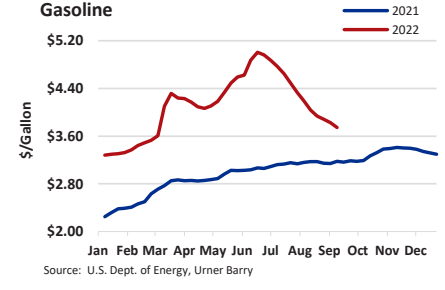
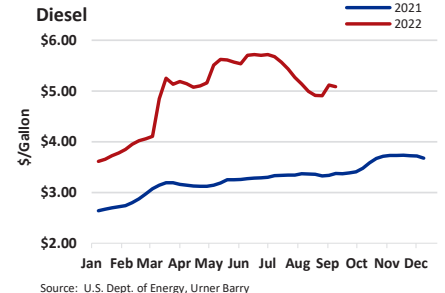
FEEDS: CORN, SOY BEAN, RED WHEAT



POULTRY



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Urner Barry Price Reporting Receives Independent Assurance of IOSCO Compliance Achieving the Gold Standard for Price Reporting

For over 160 years, Urner Barry has been the trusted source for benchmark pricing in the food and agriculture industry. Now, the company has successfully completed an independent review of its price reporting methodology and control procedures, confirming Urner Barry's processes are aligned with the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) Principles for Price Reporting Agencies (PRAs).

The Type 1 assurance report, issued by auditor BDO, examined eight benchmark price indices.

"Our clients require the highest quality information to effectively conduct their business and navigate the supply chain," said Urner Barry CEO, Joe Muldowney. "This independent assurance review reflects the pledge we undertake to provide them with robust, independent, and accurate market coverage."

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POULTRY COMMENTARY

Whole chickens and WOGs are maintained within a close range of our listed quotations. Jumbo, medium and select boneless remains barely steady to weak with most sellers entertaining lower bids to keep product flowing. Tender demand remains dull. Burdensome supply levels continue to exist. In wings, jumbos continue to gain traction, with some sellers beginning to test premium level ask prices. Smalls remain under some pressure. Turning to the back half of the bird, buyers of legs, leg quarters, drums, and thighs all are seeing varying levels of pressure. Legs appear to be the worst off. Thigh meat is slowly improving while leg meat continues to search for support at lower levels.

Whole turkeys, along with as consumer and institutional-sized breasts, continue to be in

high demand and are limited at best on the street. As for parts, ongoing smoking and grinding needs absorb most availability of drums and wings. Buying interest on tails, necks, and gizzards has begun to slow, with some sellers beginning to entertain lower bids. Ongoing needs for breast meat remains in place. Reports indicate that supplies are very well cleared, but that some offerings are available if the shoe fits. High meat is in a similarly robust position. MST demand has begun to slow as seasonal demand wanes leaving some additional loads without an immediate buyer.

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