

# Today's Speakers

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# Agenda

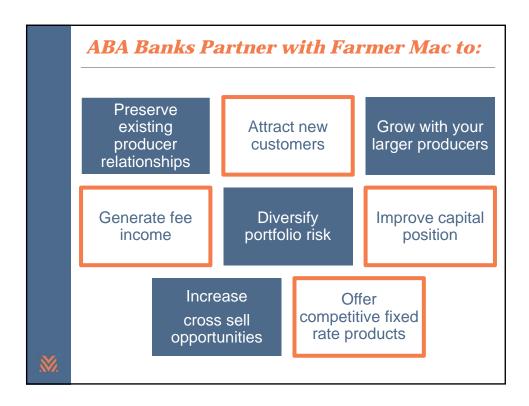
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- Recent Commodity Trends
- Interest Rates
- Impacts on Land Values
- Current Credit Conditions
- Opportunities with Farmer Mac
- Questions



## Introduction

- Farmer Mac ABA Alliance
  - Created in November 2005
  - Goal to increase awareness of the competitive benefits of the secondary market
  - Discounted pricing for ABA member banks
  - Over \$1 billion of ag mortgages sold by ABA member banks since 1/1/13.

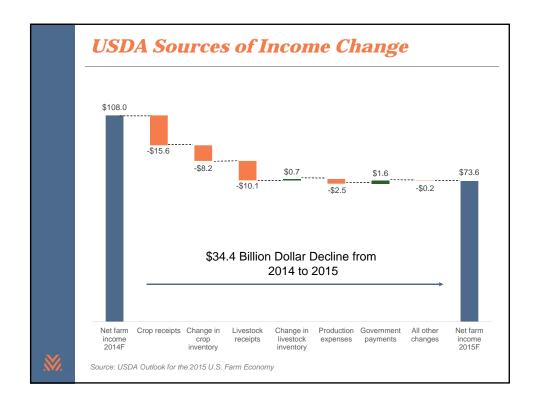


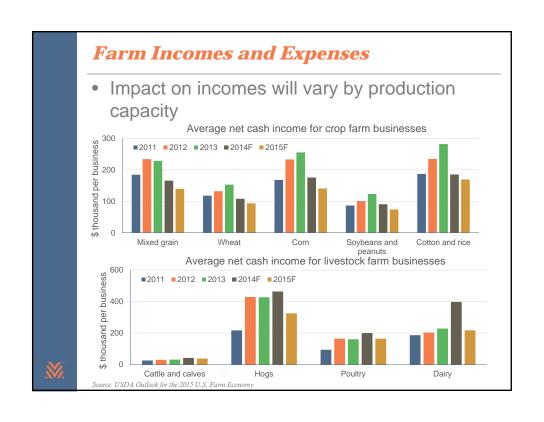


# **USDA 2015/16 Projections**

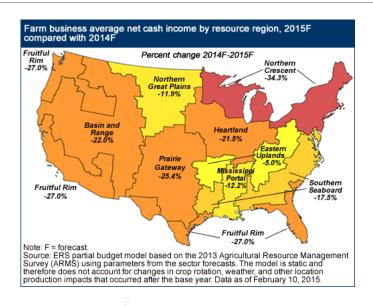
- Farm incomes to fall for a second year
  - Net farm income projected at \$73.6 billion, down over \$34 billion from 2014
  - Driven by lower cash grain prices
    - \$3.50/bushel Corn (compared to \$6.89/bushel in 2013)
    - \$9.00/bushel Soybeans (compared to \$14.40/bushel in 2013)
- Expenses projected to increase over 2014
  - Driven by higher replacement animal costs
  - Some relief in fertilizers and fuel
- Large decline in working capital
  - Financial assets projected to decline 15%
  - Offsets productions losses







# **Regional Income Implications**



# **Recent Commodity Trends**

#### Corn

- Lower production than 2014
- Yields depend heavily on weather in July
- Lower prices are starting to spur demand

### Soybeans

- Lower yields expected in 2015 (return to historical)
- Stocks to remain high on global production

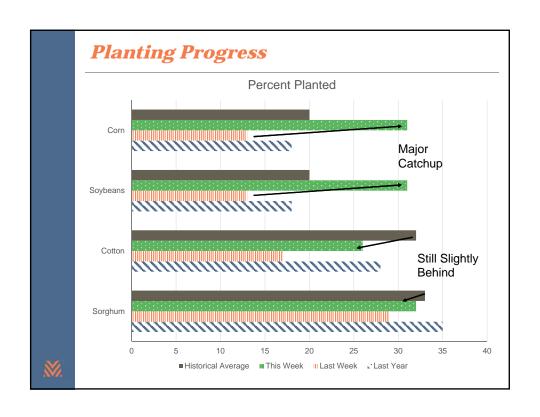
#### Beef

- Higher replacement animal costs eating into profits but still very good
- Competition from lower priced pork

#### Dairy

- 2014 profits spurred increase in production
- Increased competition from EU and New Zealand
- Prices holding steady





# Avian Influenza

- Over 33 million birds affected (less than 1% of birds slaughtered each year)
- 40% of lowa's egg-laying hens dead or euthanized
- States of emergency in IA, MN, and WI
- No human transfers





### Interest Rates

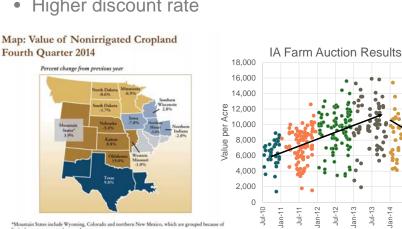
- Recent sell-off in treasuries, rates rise
- Many think Fed is almost ready to normalize
  - Futures positions imply 56% think 25 bps rate hike in June
  - By January 2016, only 7% think there is no rate





## **Land Values**

- Lower incomes
- Stable costs
- Higher discount rate



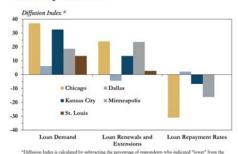
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# **Credit Conditions**

- Still strong demand
  - Need for operating lines
  - Need for refinance and liquidity
- 2014 financials are weaker
  - Still quite good
  - Not affecting approval rates

Chart 13: Selected Agricultural Credit Conditions, Fourth Quarter 2014





### Farm & Ranch Loan Purchases

# **2014 Loan Purchase Volume**

165 Sellers sold 903 loans for a total balance of \$707,000,000 and received approval within an average of 1.28 business days

83% of submissions were approved 80% of approved loans were purchased





# Farm & Ranch Popular Products

5/19/2015

Product	Term	Amort.	Reset Margin	Choice Rate	ABA Choice Rate
Ag Equity LIBOR	20/25/30	varies	1.80%	1.99%	-
1-Mo ARM LIBOR	15	15/25	1.50%	1.78%	-
5-Yr ARM	15	15/25	2.30%	3.27%	-
7/1 ARM	15	15/25	-	3.14%	3.01%
10/1 ARM	15	15/25	-	3.43%	3.30%
10-Yr VRM	15/20	15/20	-	4.18%	-
10-Yr VRM	25/30	25/30	-	4.29%	-
15-Yr Fixed	15	15	-	4.17%	4.04%
15-Yr Fixed	15	25	-	4.55%	4.42%



### **Conclusion**

- Farmer Mac can be a dependable partner for your institution
  - Offer innovative products to your producers
  - Increase liquidity and lending capacity
  - Accommodate larger loans
- Institution is required to become a Farmer Mac Seller
  - Seller application
  - Purchase Farmer Mac stock
    - Up to \$50 million: 100 shares
      \$50 \$100 million: 200 shares
      \$100 \$500 million: 500 shares
      +\$500 million: 2000 shares
  - Seller/Servicer agreement





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