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ECONOMIC IMPACT

OF THE

ETHANOL INDUSTRY

IN MINNESOTA



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MINNESOTA ETHANOL STATISTICS

	2002	1990
Ethanol Production	300 million gallons	11 million gallons
Ethanol Consumption	240 million gallons	20 million gallons
Net Ethanol export/import	60 million gallons exported	9 million gallons imported
Ethanol Plants	14 plants	5 plants
Ethanol Producer Payment	\$34 million	\$2 million
Economic Impact		
Output impact	\$588 million	\$29 million
Employment impact	2,564 jobs	166 jobs
Corn Production	1,052 million bushels	763 million bushels
Rank in Corn Production	No. 3	No. 4
Total Corn processing	138 million bushels	34 million bushels
Corn Processed for Ethanol	120 million bushels	4.4 million bushels
Corn Prices	\$2.15/bushel	\$2.17/bushel
Ethanol Prices	\$1.14/gallon	\$1.33/gallon



ETHANOL PLANTS IN MINNESOTA

UPDATED FEBRUARY 2002



"It is a goal of the state that ethanol production plants in the state attain a total annual production level of 240,000,000 gallons."

-Minnesota Statute § 41A.09, Subd. 1a.

The Minnesota Ethanol Program

A. Background:

The 20-cent ethanol producer payment legislation (1986) initially provided the security required by lenders to invest in small farmer-owned ethanol facilities. In addition to opposition from the petroleum industry, bankers were concerned that these plants could not compete in the market with large agribusiness processors. At the time, most ethanol production occurred in large mills outside the state. Minnesota corn prices



were among the lowest in the country, which was an advantage for local processing.

Although these ventures have been successful to date, margins have been squeezed by periods of record high corn prices and low ethanol prices. It is hoped that ten years of payments will allow plants to retire debt, increase efficiency and develop new products and markets so they can survive the competition and price fluctuations in agricultural and petroleum markets. Unique aspects of the ethanol industry made these incentive payments necessary, but the ethanol industry is projected to contribute over \$350 million in increased economic activities in the state.

Since low commodity prices are common, these new corn plants may represent a new strategy for the long-range profitability of farmers and farm communities. Vertical integration from the bottom up could allow farmers to participate in the more profitable end of agriculture. Promoting farmer investments in the processing and marketing of other crop or livestock enterprises may not require the high level of state funding as did ethanol. It is hoped that such initiatives can allow farmers to make it on their own and reduce the need for funding of farm financial crisis measures.

B. The main components of the Minnesota Ethanol Program are:

- 1. An oxygenated fuel statute that requires state-wide oxy-fuel (ethanol blend) use;
- 2. The 20 cent per-gallon ethanol producer incentive provides payment for ethanol produced;
- **Plus** •\$550 million was spent for total corn/ethanol plant construction and startup costs;
 - ♦\$370 million in private sector financing was contingent on local equity capital;
 - ◆\$180 million in local equity capital was raised by over 8,000 farmer and business members;
 - ◆\$200 million worth of corn is committed for processing annually by local farmers.

C. The goals of the program include:

- 1. To build a new market for the state's largest crop (corn);
- 2. To develop corn processing/ethanol production facilities in Minnesota;
- **3.** To increase the number of New Generation Farmer Coops (NGCs). These businesses were designed to provide farmer-members greater direct cash return for their crops;
- **4.** To replace 10 percent of imported petroleum we use for gasoline (estimated at \$100 million annual savings); and
- 5. To help the Twin Cities Area meet U.S. EPA standards for carbon monoxide.

D. Results to date:

- 1. 120 million bushels of corn (12 percent of Minnesota's crop) is made into ethanol and livestock feed (2002);
- 2. Minnesota's 14 plants produced 300 million gallons of ethanol in 2002;
- 3. Twelve of Minnesota's 14 ethanol plants were organized as NGCs**;
- 4. Nearly 10% of our gasoline is being replaced by ethanol each year; and
- **5.** The Twin Cities Area met EPA's carbon monoxide standard and has achieved "attainment" status (the continued use of ethanol is required to keep emissions low).



The Minnesota Ethanol Program

Ethanol Production vs. Ethanol Use

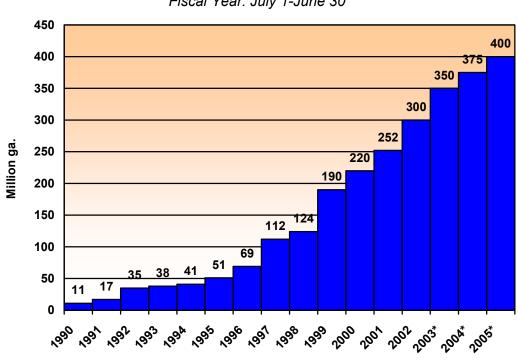
Year	Production mm=million	Estimated Consumption	% MN Ethanol Produced Here
1986	1 mm gal.	25 mm gal.	4% of total
1994	41 mm gal.	125 mm gal.	33% of total
2002	300 mm gal.	240+ mm gal.	100% of total

Ethanol Plants & Capacities in 2002

City & (plant name)	Capacity gallons/year	mm. bushel corn/year	Start-up year	New Generation Co-op** Members
Marshall (ADM)	40 million	15	1988	(Public Corp)
Morris (DENCO)	20 million	7.4	1991	345
Winnebago (Corn Plus)	40 million	14.8	1994	750
Winthrop (Heartland)	32 million	12.9	1995	692
Benson* (CVEC)	20 million	7.4	1996	850
Claremont (Al-Corn)	30 million	10.3	1996	354
Bingham Lake (Ethanol2000)	30 million	10.3	1997	241
Buffalo Lake (MN Energy)	18 million	5.5	1997	325
Melrose (Dairy Proteins)	3 million	Cheese whey	1986	(Regional Co-op)
Preston (Pro-Corn)	40 million	14.8	1998	159
Luverne (Corn-er Stone)	20 million	7.4	1998	197
Little Falls (CMEC)	20 million	7.4	1999	820
Albert Lea (Exol/Agri Resources)	40 million	14.8	1999	496
St. Paul (Gopher State Ethanol)	13 million	4.8	1999	(Public Corp)
Current TOTAL	366 mm gal.	133 mm bu.		5,229

Processing corn products instead of exporting corn as raw commodity adds value to each bushel of corn. In addition to fuel ethanol, corn plants also produce high-protein livestock feeds plus other products such as corn sweeteners, starch, and carbon dioxide.

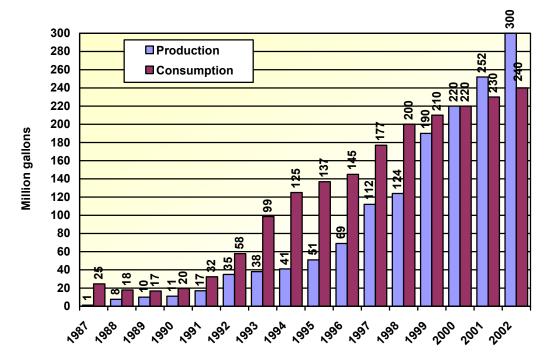
- * Benson plant will add 20 million gallons by 2004.
- ** Plants organized as New Generation Farmer Co-ops (NGC) may be combined with, converted to or organized as limited liability companies or partnerships that are generally designed to:
 - 1) be built by farmers and local businessmen to process member crops;
 - 2) return more cash to farmers than conventional markets would provide;
 - be controlled by farmer/local board members so that member profits remain a top priority; and
 - 4) create a stable source of local jobs and economic development.



Minnesota Ethanol Production Trend

Fiscal Year: July 1-June 30

Minnesota Ethanol Production and Consumption



^{*2003-2005:} Projected.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY OF THE MINNESOTA ETHANOL PROGRAM

Minnesota passed legislation in **1980** offering a <u>4 cent per gallon pump tax credit for</u> 10 percent ethanol/gasoline blends. The credit was available to marketers responsible for paying the gasoline tax to the state.

By **1986,** 40 percent of the state's gasoline was blended with 10 percent ethanol, but little ethanol was produced in Minnesota. Legislation reduced the pump tax credit to 2 cents and initiated a <u>20 cent per gallon cash incentive payment</u> for ethanol produced in the state.

In **1987**, legislation provided <u>\$100,000 annually to conduct an ethanol promotion program in the</u> Minnesota Department of Agriculture. <u>The Minnesota Ethanol Commission was established</u> to promote the production and use of ethanol in Minnesota. Activities included: 1) production of educational documents and events; 2) troubleshooting consumer and industry concerns about ethanol fuels; 3) helping develop farmer-owned ethanol production facilities; and 4) providing information to policymakers, the public and the media.

In **1989**, the <u>mandatory pump labeling</u> requirement for ethanol blends was <u>discontinued</u> in favor of voluntary labeling that was more consistent with other gasoline components.

In **1992**, a minimum <u>2.7 percent oxygen content requirement for gasoline</u> was made effective year-round in the Twin Cities in '95 and then statewide in 1997. A federal program previously required 2.7 percent oxygen in the Twin Cities during the winter months.

In 1993, funding was provided for \$500,000 loans to assist ethanol plant developers.

In **1994** 1) a <u>phase out of the pump tax credit</u> was made to coincide with phasing in the statewide oxygen requirement; 2) a <u>stock loan program</u> would participate with banks loaning money to qualified farmers who wished to buy stock in ethanol plants.

In **1995**, a <u>statutory goal to develop 220 million gallons of Minnesota ethanol production</u> was established.

In **1998**, the production goal was increased to 240 million gallons of ethanol, and approval for the 15th ethanol plant was authorized.

In **2000**, the content of non-ethanol oxygenates such as MTBE in gasoline was restricted to 1/3 percent.

In **2003**, 14 plants remain with a total annual production capacity of over 360 million gallons. Current state statute requires that the payments be reduced from 20 cents to 19 cents per gallon effective July 1, 2004. Of the \$70 million allotted for 2002-03 biennial ethanol producer payments, \$20 million was un-allotted by the governor. Three separate bills considered during the 2003 session include reducing the ethanol producer payment from 20 cents per gallon to 15, 13 and 10 cents per gallon respectively. The outcome of the session was not known at the time this summary was written.

ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE ETHANOL INDUSTRY IN MINNESOTA

This economic impact analysis was conducted with the IMPLAN program (an inputoutput economic modeling system) to examine the ethanol industry in Minnesota. It estimates the ethanol industry's total economic contribution, or "multiplier effect", to the state economy, especially the **output** and **employment** impacts.

The economic impacts are measured to include the direct, indirect, and induced impacts. Direct impact represents the effect of the ethanol industry's production output. Indirect impact represents the effect on all other economic sectors due to purchases by the ethanol industry to generate the afore-mentioned output. Induced impact represents the effect on all economic sectors due to the expenditures of new income generated by the direct and indirect impacts. Total impact is the sum of direct, indirect and induced impacts.

IMPACT ANALYSIS

Impact

Ethanol production Corn use 300 million gallons 120 million bushels

Ethanol sales Corn feed sales (DDG & gluten feed/meal) Ethanol industry's total value of output

\$80 million \$388 million

\$308 million

Ethanol producer payment

\$34 million

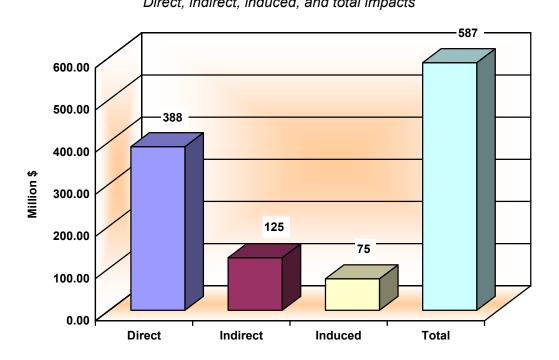
Total Economic Impacts

("Multiplier impact" in all economic sectors)

Total economic impact

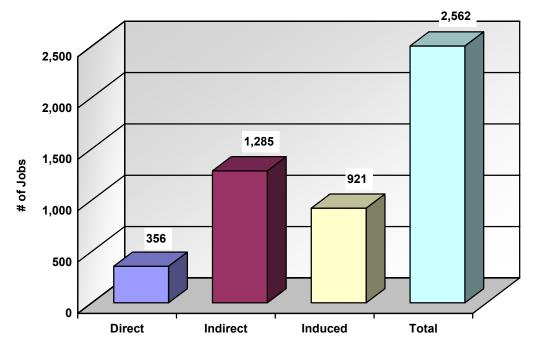
- Output impact
- Employment impact

\$587	million
2,56	62 jobs



Minnesota Ethanol Industry Output Impact Direct, indirect, induced, and total impacts

Minnesota Ethanol Industry Employment Impact Direct, indirect, induced, and total impacts



IMPACT ANALYSIS (continued)

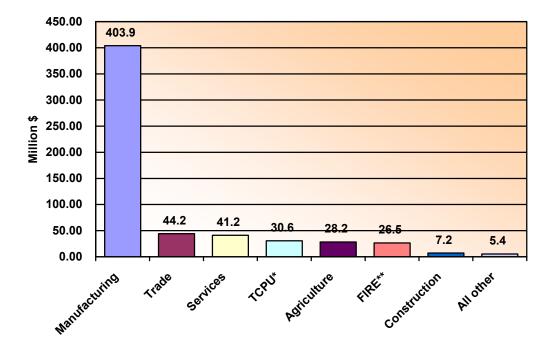
Economic Impact by Sector

OUTPUT IMPACT BY SECTOR

Sector	Impacts
1. Manufacturing	\$404 million
2. Wholesale & retail trade	\$44 million
3. Service	\$41 million
4. Transportation, communication, and	
and public utilities	\$31 million
5. Agriculture	\$28 million
6. Finance, insurance, and	
real estate	\$27 million
7. Construction	\$7 million
8. All other	\$5 million
Total	\$587 million

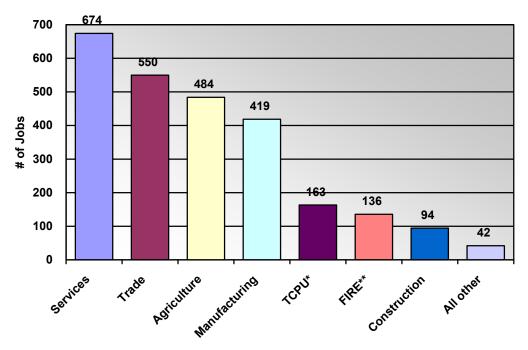
EMPLOYMENT IMPACT BY SECTOR

<u>Sector</u>	<u>Impacts</u>
1. Service	674 jobs
2. Wholesale & retail trade	550 jobs
3. Agriculture	484 jobs
4. Manufacturing	419 jobs
5. Transportation, communication,	-
and public utilities	163 jobs
6. Finance, insurance, and	-
real estate	136 jobs
7. Construction	94 jobs
8. All other	42 jobs
Total	2,562 jobs



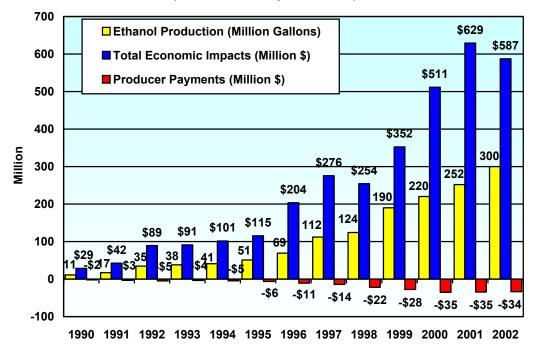
Minnesota Ethanol Industry Output Impact by Sector Total output impact: \$587 million

Minnesota Ethanol Industry Employment Impact by Sector Total employment impact: 2,562 jobs



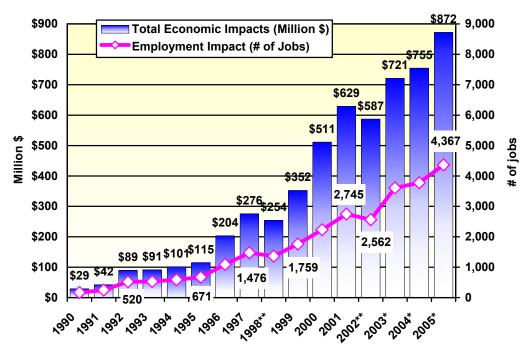
*TCPU: Transportation, communication, and public utilities. **FIRE: Finance, insurance, and real estate.

Minnesota Ethanol: **Production, Producer Payments, and Economic Impacts**



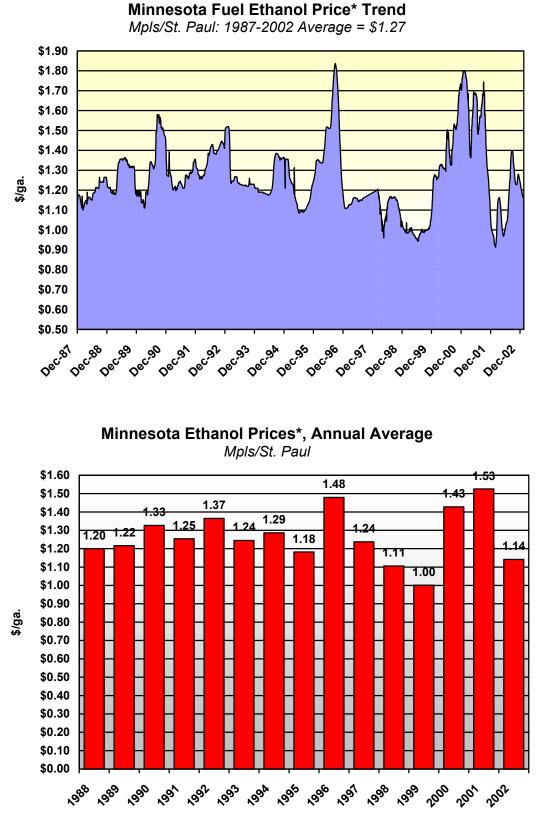
(Fiscal Year: July 1-June 30)

Minnesota Ethanol: **Total Economic Impact & Employment Impact**

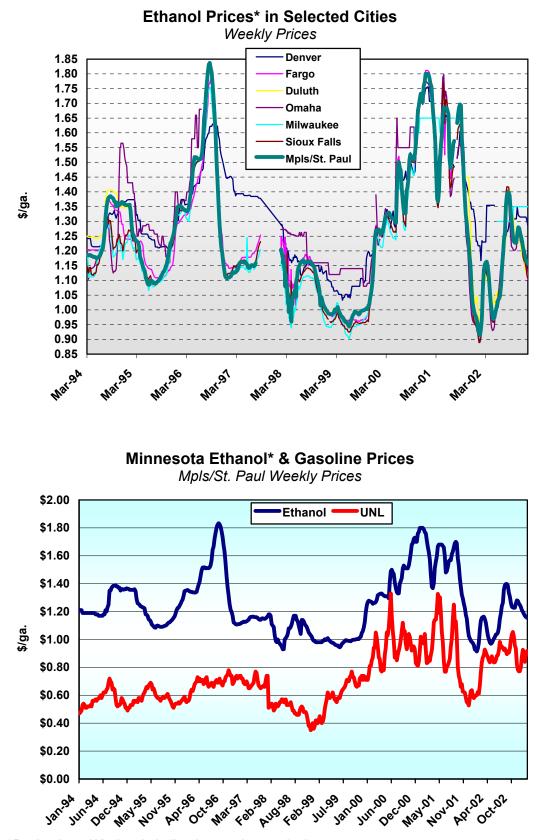


*2003-2005: Projected.

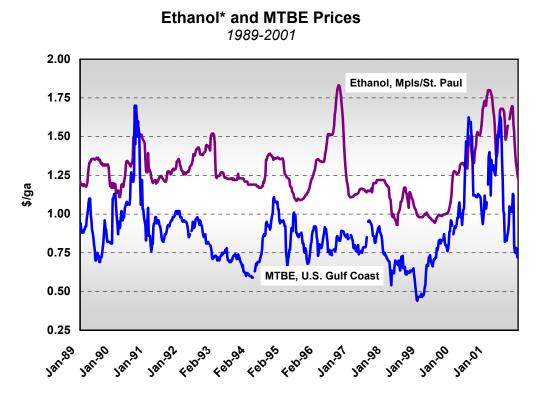
**In 1998 and 2002, ethanol prices declined.



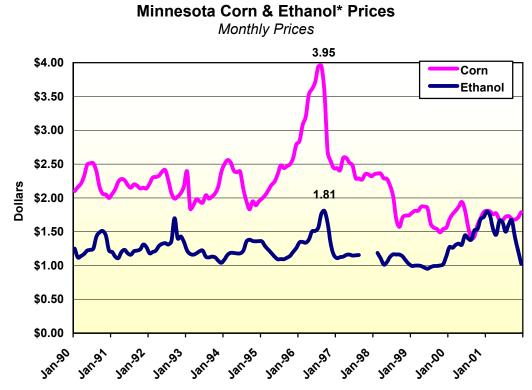
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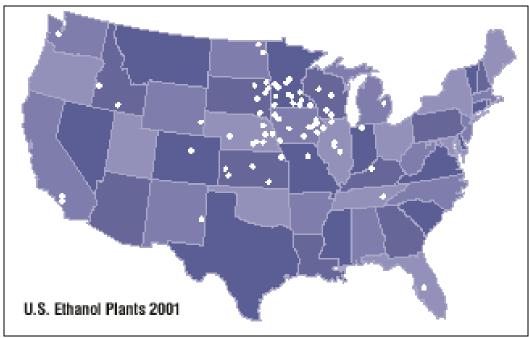


MTBE: Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether – a petroleum oxygenate for gasoline.

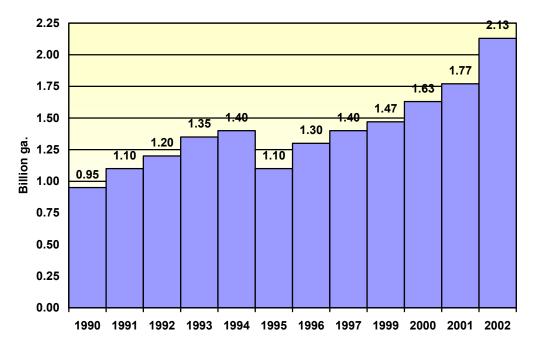


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U.S. Ethanol Plants (2001)

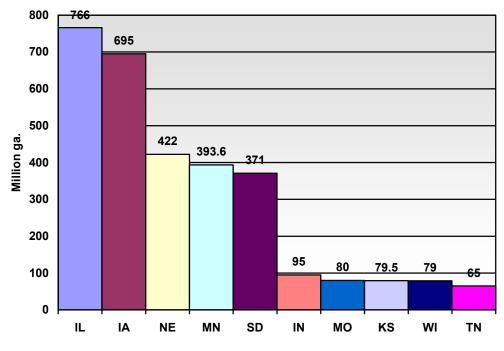


Source: National Corn Growers Association.

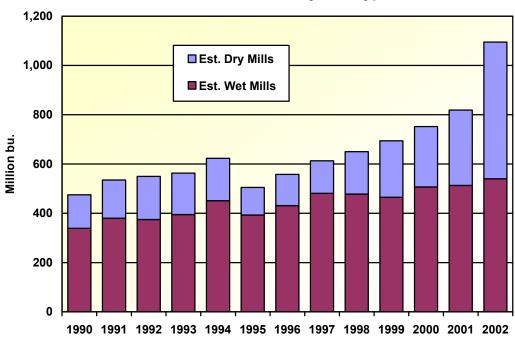


U.S. Ethanol Production

Source: Renewable Fuels Association.



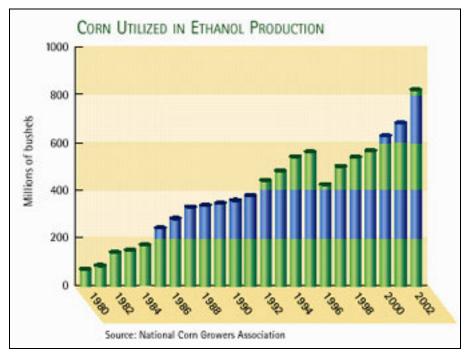
U.S. Ethanol Production by Top States (2002)



U.S. Ethanol Production by Mill Type

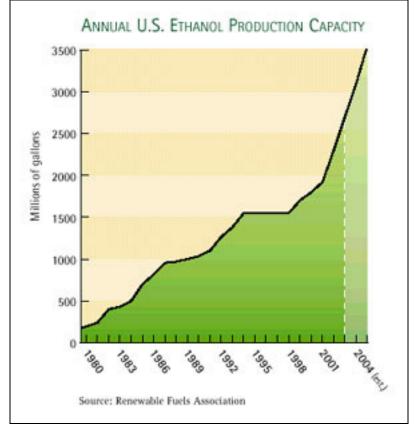
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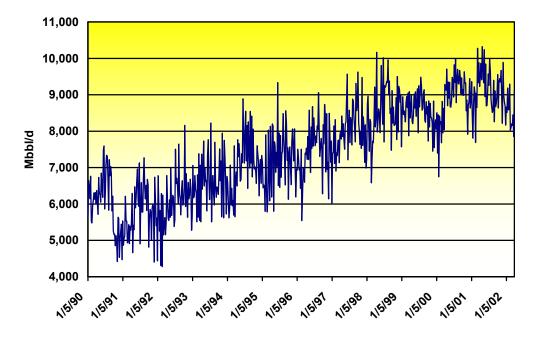
Source: ProExporter Network (PRX).



U.S. Corn Utilized for Ethanol Production

U.S. Ethanol Production Capacity





U.S. Crude Oil Imports (1990-2002) Weekly Imports

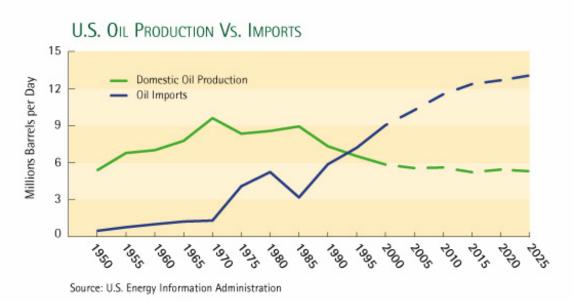


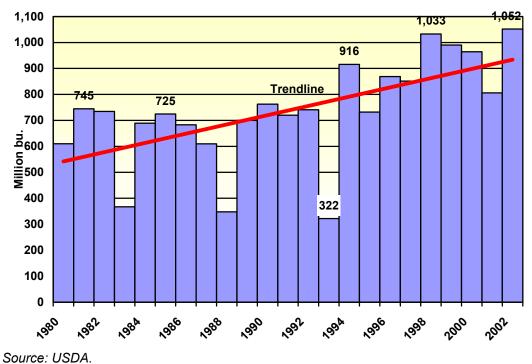
U.S. Crude Oil Prices (1974-2002)

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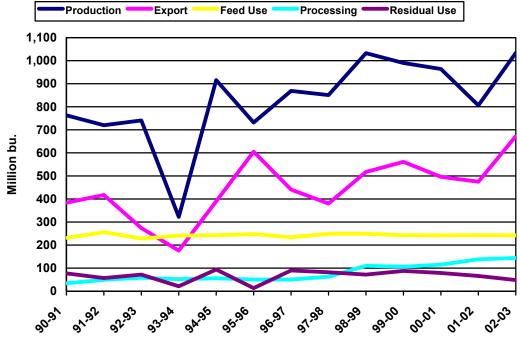
U.S. Oil Production vs. Imports



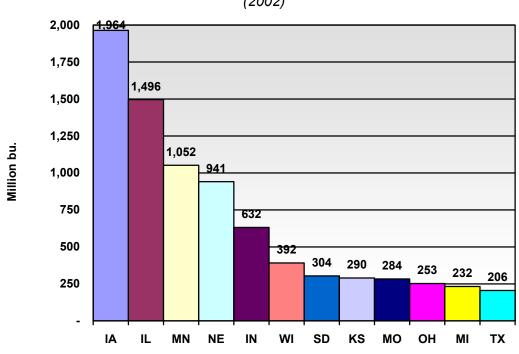


Minnesota Corn Production



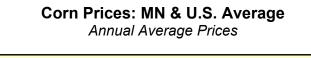


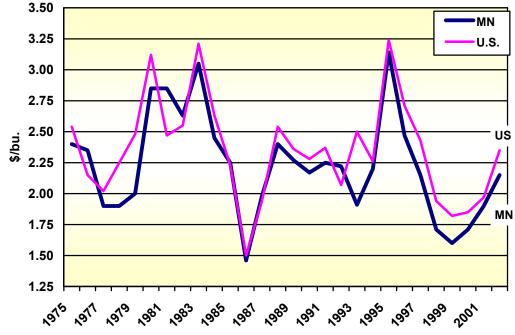
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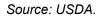


U.S. Top Corn States (2002)

Source: USDA.







U.S. Top Corn States: Comparing Corn Production, Processing, and Prices

Production (Million Bushels)

Crop	Rank (2002-2003 Crop Year)						
Year	1	Total					
	IA	IL	MN	NE	IN		
90-91	1,562	1,321	763	934	703	7,934	
91-92	1,427	1,177	720	991	511	7,475	
92-93	1,904	1,646	741	1,067	878	9,477	
93-94	880	1,300	322	785	713	6,338	
94-95	1,915	1,786	916	1,147	858	10,051	
95-96	1,427	1,130	732	855	599	7,400	
96-97	1,711	1,469	869	1,180	670	9,233	
97-98	1,642	1,425	851	1,135	702	9,207	
98-99	1,769	1,473	1,033	1,240	760	9,759	
99-00	1,758	1,491	990	1,154	748	9,431	
00-01	1,728	1,669	964	1,014	810	9,915	
01-02	1,664	1,649	806	1,139	885	9,507	
02-03	1,964	1,496	1,052	941	632	9,008	

Processing (Million Bushels)

Crop		U.S.						
Year	1	1 2 3 4 5						
	IA	IL	NE	IN	MN			
90-91	416	380	54	145	34	1,405		
91-92	457	407	63	152	49	1,514		
92-93	461	429	71	147	58	1,542		
93-94	490	441	70	152	52	1,592		
94-95	515	468	121	159	56	1,694		
95-96	479	429	126	153	50	1,607		
96-97	500	463	136	163	50	1,693		
97-98	558	504	143	169	63	1,781		
98-99	587	485	154	155	110	1,826		
99-00	572	519	179	173	106	1,910		
00-01	588	536	190	177	115	1,968		
01-02	593	536	205	182	138	2,038		
02-03	642	557	214	183	144	2,175		

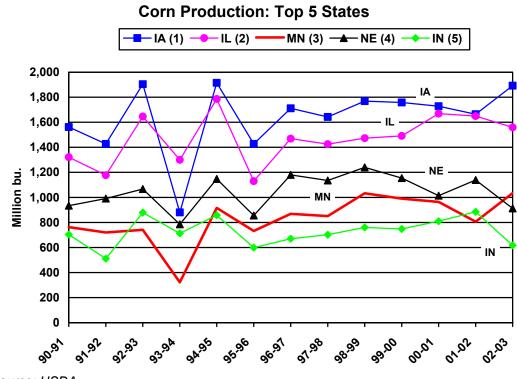
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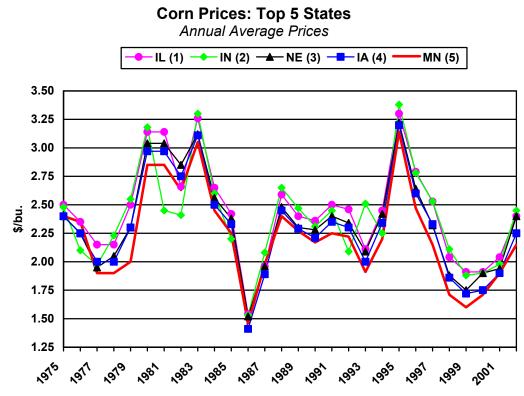
Maar	Rank (2002)					U.S.	U.S.	U.S.
Year	1	2	3	4	5	Average	High	Low
	IL	IN	NE	IA	MN	-		
1980	3.15	3.18	3.08	3.00	2.91	3.12	3.18	2.91
1981	2.52	2.45	2.47	2.34	2.24	2.47	2.52	2.24
1982	2.61	2.41	2.82	2.69	2.57	2.55	2.82	2.41
1983	3.26	3.30	3.13	3.12	3.06	3.21	3.30	3.06
1984	2.66	2.60	2.58	2.51	2.47	2.63	2.66	2.47
1985	2.27	2.20	2.22	2.02	2.05	2.23	2.27	2.02
1986	1.54	1.53	1.52	1.41	1.46	1.50	1.54	1.41
1987	1.96	2.08	1.96	1.89	1.98	1.94	2.08	1.89
1988	2.59	2.65	2.48	2.45	2.40	2.54	2.65	2.40
1989	2.40	2.47	2.30	2.29	2.27	2.36	2.47	2.27
1990	2.36	2.31	2.28	2.21	2.17	2.28	2.36	2.17
1991	2.46	2.45	2.34	2.30	2.22	2.37	2.46	2.22
1992	2.11	2.09	2.09	2.00	1.91	2.07	2.11	1.91
1993	2.57	2.51	2.52	2.44	2.26	2.50	2.57	2.26
1994	2.27	2.25	2.33	2.22	2.23	2.26	2.33	2.22
1995	3.30	3.38	3.22	3.20	3.14	3.24	3.38	3.14
1996	2.79	2.78	2.64	2.60	2.47	2.71	2.79	2.47
1997	2.53	2.53	2.32	2.33	2.15	2.43	2.53	2.15
1998	2.04	2.11	1.88	1.86	1.71	1.94	2.11	1.71
1999	1.91	1.88	1.75	1.72	1.60	1.82	1.91	1.60
2000	1.91	1.90	1.90	1.75	1.71	1.85	1.91	1.71
2001	2.04	1.98	1.94	1.90	1.90	1.97	2.04	1.90
2002	2.40	2.45	2.40	2.25	2.15	2.35	2.45	2.15
Average	2.42	2.41	2.36	2.28	2.22	2.36	2.42	2.22
Price differe	Price difference between IL & MN			0.20				
Price differe	nce bet	ween L	JS & MI	N	0.14			

Prices (Dollar per Bushel)

Source: USDA, NASS.



Source: USDA.



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Value of Corn Raw Commodity vs. Value-Added (per bushel of corn)

1. July 2002 Prices

	Corn	Value-Added					
			Wet-	Milling		Dry-Milling	
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & F	roducts	Ethanol &	
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG	
Corn	\$2.17						
Corn Oil		\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29		
Gluten Feed		\$0.28	\$0.28	\$0.28	\$0.28		
Gluten Meal		\$0.41	\$0.41	\$0.41	\$0.41		
Starch		\$4.03					
Ethanol			\$2.76			\$2.91	
Corn Syrup				\$4.70			
HFCS					\$3.60		
DDG						\$0.65	
Total Value	\$2.17	\$5.02	\$3.76	\$5.69	\$4.59	\$3.56	

2. December 2002 Prices

	Corn		Value-Added					
			Wet-I	Ailling		Dry-Milling		
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & P	roducts	Ethanol &		
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG		
Corn	\$2.11							
Corn Oil		\$0.44	\$0.44	\$0.44	\$0.44			
Gluten Feed		\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35			
Gluten Meal		\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30			
Starch		\$4.15						
Ethanol			\$3.00			\$3.16		
Corn Syrup				\$5.10				
HFCS					\$3.83			
DDG						\$0.67		
Total Value	\$2.11	\$5.24	\$4.09	\$6.19	\$4.92	\$3.83		

Computation based on the following:

Corn prices (Minneapolis Grain Exchange) Corn oil prices (Wall Street Journal) Gluten feed prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News) Gluten meal prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News) Starch prices (USDA, ERS) Ethanol prices (Mpls/St. Paul market, Axxis Petroleum) Corn syrup prices (Milling & Baking News)

HFCS prices (Milling & Baking News) DDG prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News)

Value of Corn Raw Commodity vs. Value-Added (per bushel of corn)

1. July 2000 Prices

	Corn					
				Dry-Milling		
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & Products		Ethanol &
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG
Corn	\$1.48					
Corn Oil		\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.21	
Gluten Feed		\$0.22	\$0.22	\$0.22	\$0.22	
Gluten Meal		\$0.26	\$0.26	\$0.26	\$0.26	
Starch		\$4.02				
Ethanol			\$3.43			\$3.61
Corn Syrup				\$4.10		
HFCS					\$4.91	
DDG						\$0.59
Total Value	\$1.48	\$4.71	\$4.12	\$4.79	\$5.60	\$4.20

2. December 2000 Prices

	Corn	Value-Added				
			Dry-Milling			
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & P	roducts	Ethanol &
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG
Corn	\$1.85					
Corn Oil		\$0.16	\$0.16	\$0.16	\$0.16	
Gluten Feed		\$0.33	\$0.33	\$0.33	\$0.33	
Gluten Meal		\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32	
Starch		\$4.06				
Ethanol			\$4.25			\$4.48
Corn Syrup				\$4.26		
HFCS					\$4.91	
DDG						\$0.71
Total Value	\$1.85	\$4.87	\$5.06	\$5.07	\$5.72	\$5.18

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HFCS prices (Milling & Baking News) DDG prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News)

Value of Corn (continued) Raw Commodity vs. Value-Added (per bushel of corn)

3. July 1998 Prices

	Corn	Value-Added				
			Dry-Milling			
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & F	roducts	Ethanol &
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG
Corn	\$2.14					
Corn Oil		\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	
Gluten Feed		\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29	
Gluten Meal		\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	
Starch		\$4.06				
Ethanol			\$2.85			\$3.00
Corn Syrup				\$3.96		
HFCS					\$3.54	
DDG						\$0.66
Total Value	\$2.14	\$5.14	\$3.94	\$5.05	\$4.63	\$3.67

4. December 1998 Prices

	Corn	Value-Added				
			Dry-Milling			
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & P	roducts	Ethanol &
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG
Corn	\$1.86					
Corn Oil		\$0.47	\$0.47	\$0.47	\$0.47	
Gluten Feed		\$0.37	\$0.37	\$0.37	\$0.37	
Gluten Meal		\$0.34	\$0.34	\$0.34	\$0.34	
Starch		\$3.81				
Ethanol			\$2.51			\$2.64
Corn Syrup				\$3.90		
HFCS					\$3.45	
DDG						\$0.69
Total Value	\$1.86	\$4.99	\$3.69	\$5.08	\$4.63	\$3.33

Computation based on the following:

Corn prices (Minneapolis Grain Exchange) Corn oil prices (Wall Street Journal) Gluten feed prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News) Gluten meal prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News) Starch prices (USDA, ERS) Ethanol prices (Mpls/St. Paul market, Axxis Petroleum) Corn syrup prices (Milling & Baking News) HFCS prices (Milling & Baking News)

DDG prices (USDA, Grain & Feed Market News)

Value of Corn (continued) Raw Commodity vs. Value-Added (per bushel of corn)

5. July 1996 Prices

	Corn	Value-Added				
			Dry-Milling			
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & F	Products	Ethanol &
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG
Corn	\$4.68					
Corn Oil		\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	
Gluten Feed		\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.54	
Gluten Meal		\$0.36	\$0.36	\$0.36	\$0.36	
Starch		\$5.87				
Ethanol			\$3.85			\$4.06
Corn Syrup				\$5.26		
HFCS					\$6.86	
DDG						\$1.28
Total Value	\$4.68	\$7.18	\$5.16	\$6.57	\$8.17	\$5.33

6. December 1996 Prices

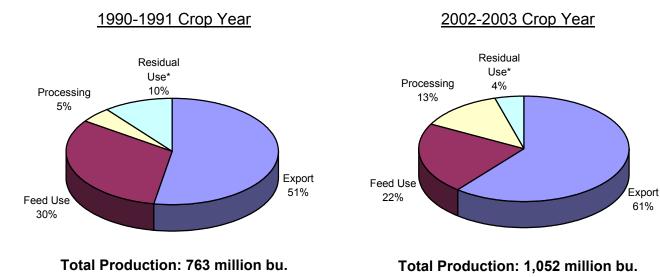
	Corn	Value-Added				
			Dry-Milling			
	Raw	Starch &	Ethanol &	Sweeteners & P	roducts	Ethanol &
Products	Commodity	Products	Products	Corn Syrup	HFCS	DDG
Corn	\$2.46					
Corn Oil		\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35	
Gluten Feed		\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.49	
Gluten Meal		\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	
Starch		\$4.08				
Ethanol			\$2.84			\$2.99
Corn Syrup				\$5.26		
HFCS					\$6.86	
DDG						\$1.15
Total Value	\$2.46	\$5.33	\$4.08	\$6.51	\$8.11	\$4.13

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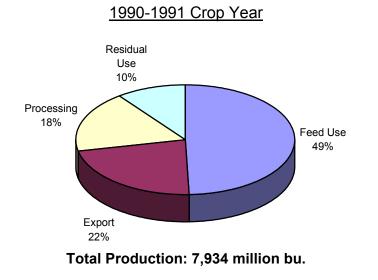
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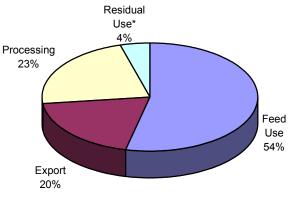
Minnesota Corn Utilization



U.S. Corn Utilization



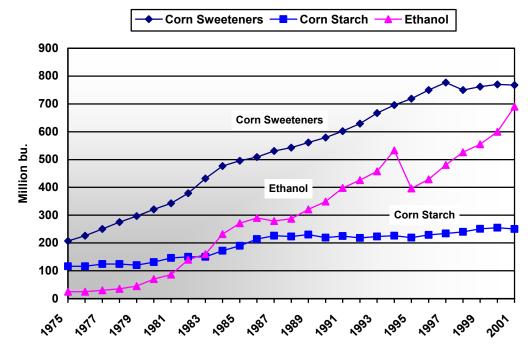
2002-2003 Crop Year



Total Production: 9,008 million bu.

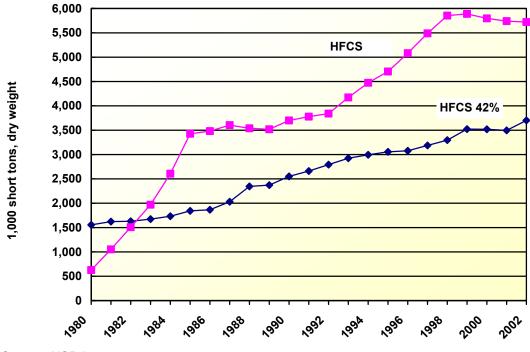
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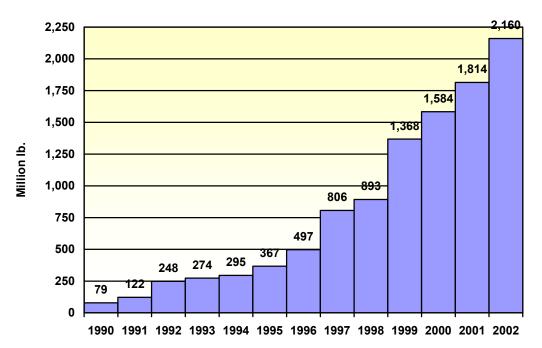


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HFCS Production in the U.S.

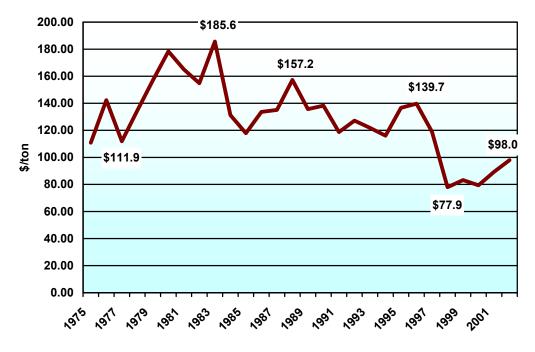


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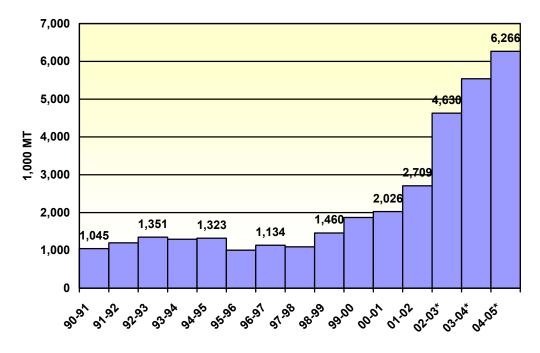
Minnesota DDG Production

DDG Prices Annual Average (1975-2002)- IL point



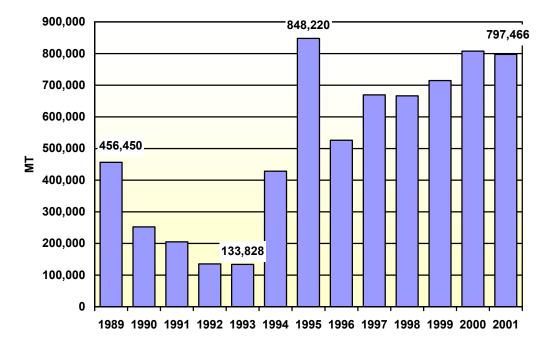
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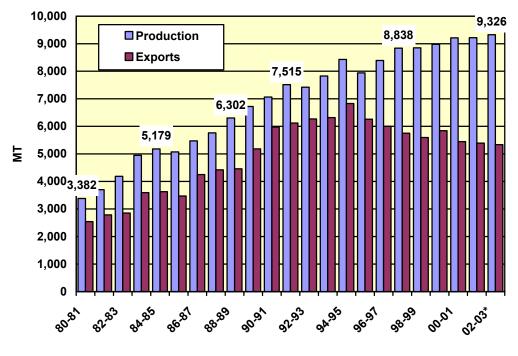


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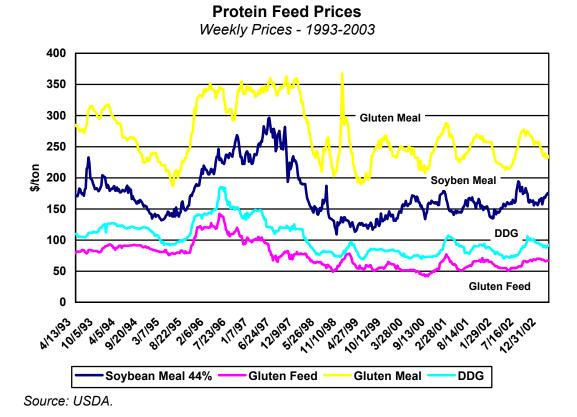


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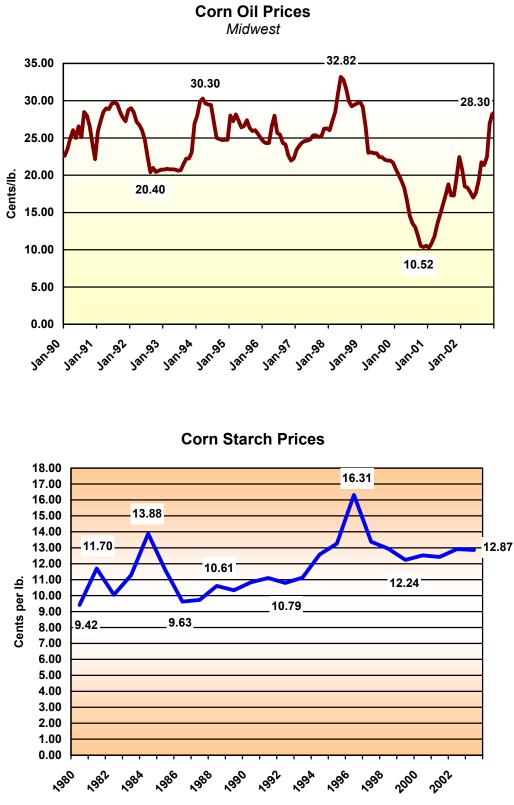


U.S. Corn Gluten Feed and Meal Production

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