

Hard Fall or Smooth Landing? An Outlook on Ag

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Farmer Sentiments Improve

Figure 1: Purdue/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer, October 2016-November 2024
Figure 2: Index of Current Conditions and Future Expectations, October 2016-November 2024

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Updated Net Farm Income Picture

U.S. Farm Income Projections

USDA released updated net farm income projections in September:

- Net cash farm income: down \$5.7 billion (1.5% from 2023)
- That follows a 26.2% decrease in 2023
- Net farm income: down \$9.5 billion (6.3% from 2023)

This is compared to projections released in February of this year which suggested net farm income would fall 26%.

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American Relief Act

Estimated Ag Economic Loss Program Payments

CROP	PER ACRE
CORN	\$43.80
SOYBEANS	\$30.61
WHEAT	\$31.80
COTTON	\$84.70
RICE	\$69.66

- Corn: \$3.829 billion
- Soybeans: \$2.553 billion
- Wheat: \$1.532 billion
- Cotton: \$975 million
- Sorghum: \$248 million
- Rice: \$216 million

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American Relief Act

Total Projected Economic Assistance by County for Top 9 Crops

Approximately \$37 billion will be paid out for the major nine crops, (FAPRI and DAFI)

“USDA will come out with their program and since they have all of the data, the farmer will likely not have to do anything other than sign up. I would expect the payment to go out in February or perhaps early March, since they have to issue those payments within 90 days.”

—Paul Neiffer, Farm CPA

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Outlook for 2025

Poor Profitability Picture for Major U.S. Crops

Source: USDA ERS, ERS Cost of Production, WGA Calculations

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Recession Concerns

Is the U.S. ag economy ...

... on the brink of a recession?

Response	Percentage
NO	19%
YES	81%

... currently in a recession?

Response	Percentage
NO	44%
YES	56%

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Consolidation Concerns

Does the current environment of low commodity prices and high input costs accelerate consolidation in the row crop operations and allied industries?

Response	Percentage
NO	6%
YES	94%

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#1 Reason: Make-up of U.S. Ag Today

Percent of U.S. Farms, 2022

Category	Percentage
Small Family Farms	88.1
Midsize Family Farms	5.8
Large-Scale Family Farms	4.2
Nonfamily Farms	2.7

Percent of U.S. Value of Farm Production, 2022

Category	Percentage
Small Family Farms	18.7
Midsize Family Farms	19.1
Large-Scale Family Farms	51.8
Nonfamily Farms	10.4

Source: USDA ERS

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Are We In For a Repeat of the 1980s?

Are Farmland Prices Really Falling? A Piece of CRP Ground Just Sold for \$17,000 Per Acre in Iowa

Two land sales last week came in at a whopping \$17,000 per acre, and one in Iowa topped \$20,000 just this week.

Tyne Weagen - October 30, 2024 7:41 AM

Land Values Have The Resilience of a Dandelion

Headwinds in interest rates, inflation and commodity prices seem to have little impact on land values, though single-digit decreases in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan and Ohio have been reported.

Chryssie Kramar - July 08, 2024 04:25 PM

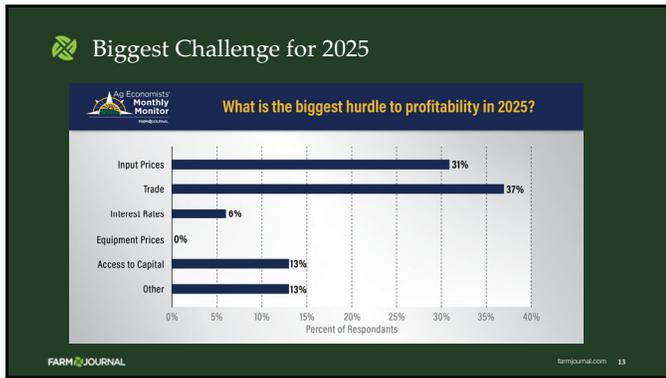
Yes, the Farmland Market is Shifting, But That Doesn't Necessarily Mean Prices Are Falling

Farmers are still in the driver's seat, but the direction of land values in the months and years ahead relies on one major factor: how long low profitability for row crop farmers persists.

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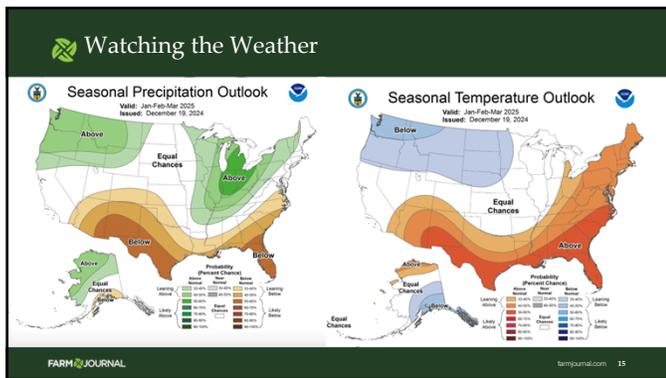
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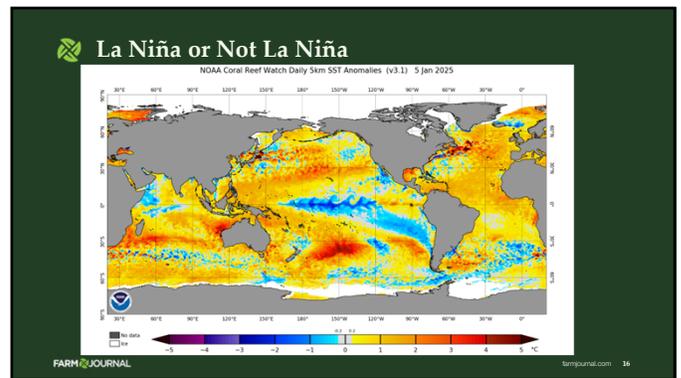
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- South America's Crops
 - 2025 Acreage Decisions & U.S. Weather
 - Trump Administration
 - Tariffs
 - Trade
 - Biofuels

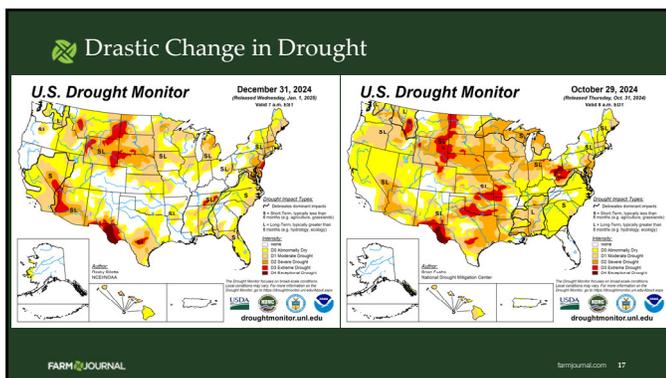
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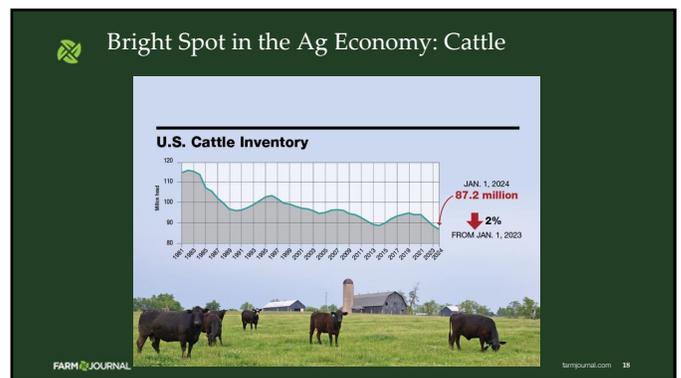
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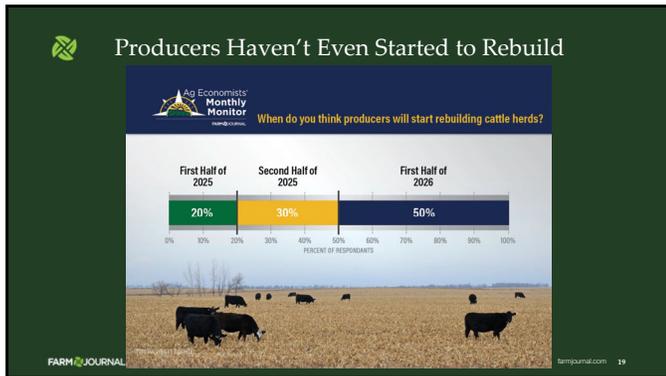
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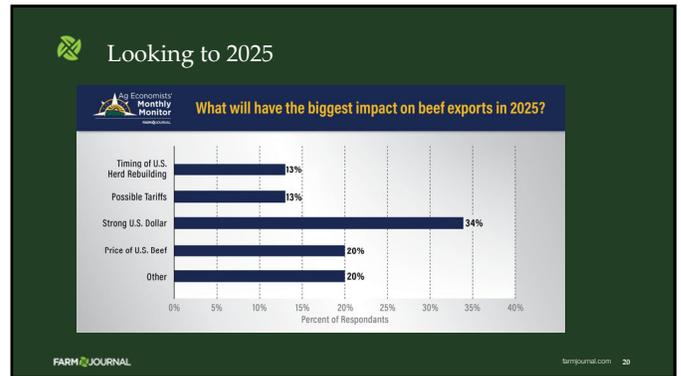
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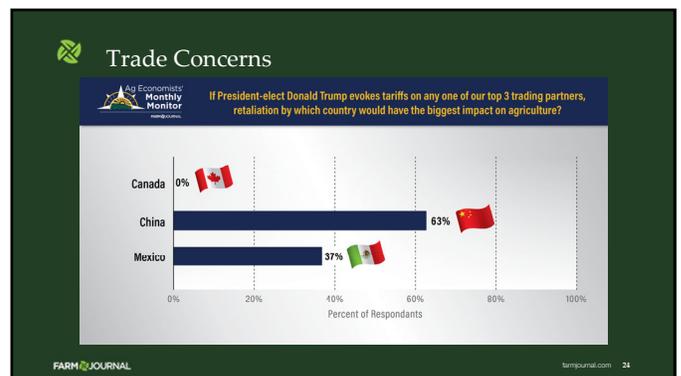
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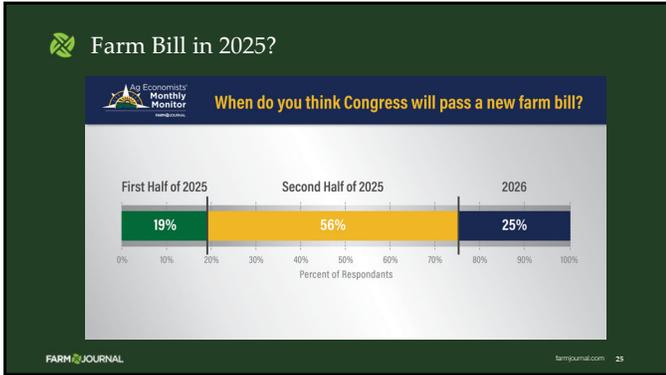
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THE FUTURE OF AG TECH

ONE-ON-ONE WITH JOHN DEERE'S CTO

"I talked about the 8R tractors. When I ran the numbers on it, if you power that with a lithium-ion battery today, it's twice the volume, twice the weight, twice the mass, and four times the cost. That just doesn't pencil."

— Jahmy Hindman, John Deere CTO

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Showcasing the Best of Rural America

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Christmas Miracle

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Remarkable Well Rescue

Remarkable Rescue: Five Farmers Save Father and 6-Year-Old Son After Falling 70 Feet into a Well

After six-year-old Louie Leseberg fell 70 feet into a dark well, his father jumped in to save him. What happened next, and the dramatic rescue that ensued, left even those who witnessed the rescue unable to explain.

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The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new.

Socrates

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