The South Dakota Economy

July 3, 2013

Employment growth in South Dakota

- On an annual basis during 2012, South Dakota nonfarm employment levels were 6,500 jobs higher than 2011, or an increase of 1.6% after annual benchmark revisions. The growth in 2012 was the largest annual employment gain since 2007. In addition, South Dakota's total nonfarm employment in 2012 was higher than the peak employment level that was reached before the '07-'09 national recession, meaning South Dakota's employment transitioned from a recovery phase to an expansion phase during 2012.
- As of May 2013, South Dakota's total employment level was 2.0% higher than the peak employment reached before the '07-'09 recession. In comparison, US employment was still 1.8% below the previous peak employment as of May 2013.
- In May 2013, total SD nonfarm employment was up 6,000 jobs or 1.4%, compared to May 2012.
 - Sectors that are currently experiencing year-over-year growth (May 2013 compared to May 2012 levels) include: leisure and hospitality (+4.5%); trade, transportation, and utilities (+3.8%); education and health services (+2.1%); manufacturing (+1.9%); financial activities (+1.7%); and, government (+0.5%).
 - Sectors that are experiencing year-over-year declines in May include: other services (-1.9%), professional and business services (-3.1%), and mining, logging, and construction (-4.7%).

The unemployment rate continues to be one of the lowest in the nation.

- The unemployment rate in South Dakota was the third lowest in the nation in May at 4.0%.
 - South Dakota's unemployment rate in May 2013 was 0.1% lower than last month and 0.4% lower than last year.
- The U.S. unemployment rate was 7.6% in May 2013.

Income growth in South Dakota.

- South Dakota's preliminary personal income for the 1st quarter of 2013 increased 1.6% and was the only state to register a positive growth rate of the 50 states. The US average growth rate over the same time period was -1.2%.
- South Dakota's preliminary personal income for 2012 on an annual basis decreased 0.2% compared to 2011. The decrease is attributed to a decrease in farm income.
 - In 2012, South Dakota's farm income decreased 27.1% compared to 2011, which was the primary reason for the decrease in total personal income in 2012. South Dakota nonfarm income grew by 4.0% in 2012 compared to 2011, which was higher than the US growth rate of 3.5% over the same time period.
- Over the past four years (2008-2012), the average annual growth of South Dakota's personal income was 3.1%, which ranked second of all states. This was compares to the US growth in personal income of 1.9% over the same time period.
- South Dakota's preliminary per capita personal income in 2012 was \$43,659, which ranked 18th in the nation and was 2.3% higher than the US per capita personal income of \$42,693 during 2012.

The housing market.

- In the last twelve months (June 2012 May 2013) there were 2,002 more total family housing units authorized by building permits in South Dakota than there were the same period before.*
- The value of total family housing building permits is \$216.97 million higher in the last twelve months compared to the same period the year before. *

The agricultural economy.

- As of June 28th, SD producers planted 5.9 million acres of corn, down 4% from last year, while soybean acreage was estimated at 4.8 million, up 1% from a year ago.
- As of June 30th, corn and soybean conditions were rated 97% and 96% fair to excellent, respectively. Pasture and range conditions were rated 93% fair to excellent while winter wheat conditions were rated just 45% fair to excellent.
- As of June 30th, topsoil conditions were rated 13% short to very short, while subsoil conditions were rated 23% short to very short.
- As of June 1st, South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 215,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market. This was down 4% from last month and down 7% from a year ago.
- Crop prices received by SD farmers continue to be higher than a year ago for most crops. In May, corn prices received were up \$0.78/bushel, wheat prices received were up \$0.67/bushel, soybean prices were up \$1.30/bushel and hay prices were up \$116/ton.

^{*} Building permit statistics are from monthly reporting places only.

Economic Indicators for the State of South Dakota for the latest 12 Month Period

| | Time Period | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 Month |
|--|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|-----------|
| Category | Jun-12 | Jul-12 | Aug-12 | Sep-12 | Oct-12 | Nov-12 | Dec-12 | Jan-13 | Feb-13 | Mar-13 | Apr-13 | May-13 | Avg/Total |
| Nonfarm Employment Data (information is seasonally adjusted by BLS and expressed in thousands) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Nonfarm | 414.40 | 413.90 | 413.50 | 415.30 | 415.70 | 415.70 | 415.90 | 417.80 | 419.00 | 419.40 | 417.80 | 420.20 | 416.55 |
| change from prior year | 7.50 | 6.50 | 5.30 | 6.50 | 6.30 | 5.80 | 5.00 | 6.00 | 6.90 | 6.20 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 5.92 |
| % change from prior year | 1.84 | 1.60 | 1.30 | 1.59 | 1.54 | 1.41 | 1.22 | 1.46 | 1.67 | 1.50 | 0.72 | 1.45 | 1.44 |
| N.R., Mining & Const. | 21.10 | 20.80 | 20.60 | 20.50 | 20.30 | 20.30 | 20.40 | 20.30 | 20.50 | 20.40 | 19.50 | 20.30 | 20.42 |
| change from prior year | 0.00 | (0.50) | (0.60) | (0.90) | (1.10) | (0.90) | (1.10) | (1.50) | (1.40) | (1.60) | (2.30) | (1.00) | (1.08) |
| % change from prior year | 0.00 | (2.35) | (2.83) | (4.21) | (5.14) | (4.25) | (5.12) | (6.88) | (6.39) | (7.27) | (10.55) | (4.69) | (5.00) |
| Manufacturing Employment | 41.30 | 41.40 | 41.30 | 41.50 | 41.50 | 41.70 | 41.70 | 41.80 | 41.60 | 41.80 | 41.90 | 41.90 | 41.62 |
| change from prior year | 2.30 | 2.20 | 1.80 | 1.90 | 1.60 | 1.50 | 1.30 | 1.30 | 0.80 | 1.00 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 1.44 |
| % change from prior year | 5.90 | 5.61 | 4.56 | 4.80 | 4.01 | 3.73 | 3.22 | 3.21 | 1.96 | 2.45 | 1.95 | 1.95 | 3.59 |
| Trade, Transp., & Utilities | 83.20 | 83.00 | 83.40 | 83.40 | 83.30 | 83.00 | 82.60 | 84.00 | 84.10 | 84.50 | 84.50 | 86.30 | 83.78 |
| change from prior year | 1.60 | 1.40 | 1.60 | 1.50 | 1.30 | 0.80 | 0.30 | 1.40 | 1.40 | 1.70 | 1.50 | 3.20 | 1.47 |
| % change from prior year | 1.96 | 1.72 | 1.96 | 1.83 | 1.59 | 0.97 | 0.36 | 1.69 | 1.69 | 2.05 | 1.81 | 3.85 | 1.79 |
| Financial Activities | 28.70 | 28.80 | 28.90 | 29.00 | 29.20 | 29.20 | 29.20 | 29.40 | 29.80 | 29.70 | 29.60 | 29.20 | 29.23 |
| change from prior year | 0.70 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 1.10 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.30 | 1.70 | 1.60 | 1.20 | 0.50 | 1.13 |
| % change from prior year | 2.50 | 3.23 | 3.21 | 3.94 | 4.29 | 4.29 | 4.29 | 4.63 | 6.05 | 5.69 | 4.23 | 1.74 | 4.00 |
| Prof. and Business Services | 29.10 | 29.10 | 29.20 | 29.30 | 29.10 | 29.00 | 29.30 | 28.50 | 28.30 | 28.00 | 28.30 | 28.10 | 28.78 |
| change from prior year | 0.50 | 0.40 | 0.40 | 0.20 | 0.00 | (0.10) | 0.20 | (0.50) | (0.70) | (1.20) | (0.90) | (0.90) | (0.22) |
| % change from prior year | 1.75 | 1.39 | 1.39 | 0.69 | 0.00 | (0.34) | 0.69 | (1.72) | (2.41) | (4.11) | (3.08) | (3.10) | (0.75) |
| Educ. & Health Services | 67.60 | 67.50 | 67.30 | 67.50 | 67.70 | 67.80 | 68.10 | 68.30 | 68.40 | 68.80 | 68.60 | 68.60 | 68.02 |
| change from prior year | 2.20 | 2.00 | 1.60 | 2.10 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 2.30 | 2.30 | 2.40 | 2.60 | 1.30 | 1.40 | 2.02 |
| % change from prior year | 3.36 | 3.05 | 2.44 | 3.21 | 3.20 | 3.04 | 3.50 | 3.48 | 3.64 | 3.93 | 1.93 | 2.08 | 3.07 |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 44.40 | 44.20 | 44.10 | 44.20 | 44.90 | 45.00 | 45.20 | 45.70 | 46.20 | 46.30 | 46.10 | 46.40 | 45.23 |
| change from prior year | 1.40 | 0.80 | 0.60 | 0.40 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.30 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 1.90 | 1.70 | 2.00 | 1.33 |
| % change from prior year | 3.26 | 1.84 | 1.38 | 0.91 | 2.75 | 2.74 | 2.96 | 3.39 | 4.52 | 4.28 | 3.83 | 4.50 | 3.04 |
| Other Services | 15.80 | 15.90 | 15.90 | 15.80 | 15.80 | 15.80 | 15.70 | 15.70 | 15.90 | 16.00 | 16.00 | 15.50 | 15.82 |
| change from prior year | 0.20 | 0.30 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.10 | 0.00 | (0.10) | 0.10 | 0.20 | 0.20 | (0.30) | 0.11 |
| % change from prior year | 1.28 | 1.92 | 1.27 | 1.28 | 1.28 | 0.64 | 0.00 | (0.63) | 0.63 | 1.27 | 1.27 | (1.90) | 0.69 |
| Government | 77.00 | 77.00 | 76.70 | 78.00 | 77.90 | 77.90 | 77.80 | 78.00 | 78.20 | 77.90 | 77.20 | 77.70 | 77.61 |
| change from prior year | (1.20) | (0.80) | (0.90) | 0.30 | 0.20 | 0.30 | (0.10) | 0.40 | 0.90 | 0.30 | (0.30) | 0.40 | (0.04) |
| % change from prior year | (1.53) | (1.03) | (1.16) | 0.39 | 0.26 | 0.39 | (0.13) | 0.52 | 1.16 | 0.39 | (0.39) | 0.52 | (0.05) |
| NonFarm (excluding Govt.) | 337.4 | 336.9 | 336.8 | 337.3 | 337.8 | 337.8 | 338.1 | 339.8 | 340.8 | 341.5 | 340.6 | 342.5 | 338.94 |
| change from prior year | 8.7 | 7.3 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 5.6 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 3.3 | 5.6 | 5.96 |
| % change from prior year | 2.65 | 2.21 | 1.88 | 1.87 | 1.84 | 1.66 | 1.53 | 1.68 | 1.79 | 1.76 | 0.98 | 1.66 | 1.79 |

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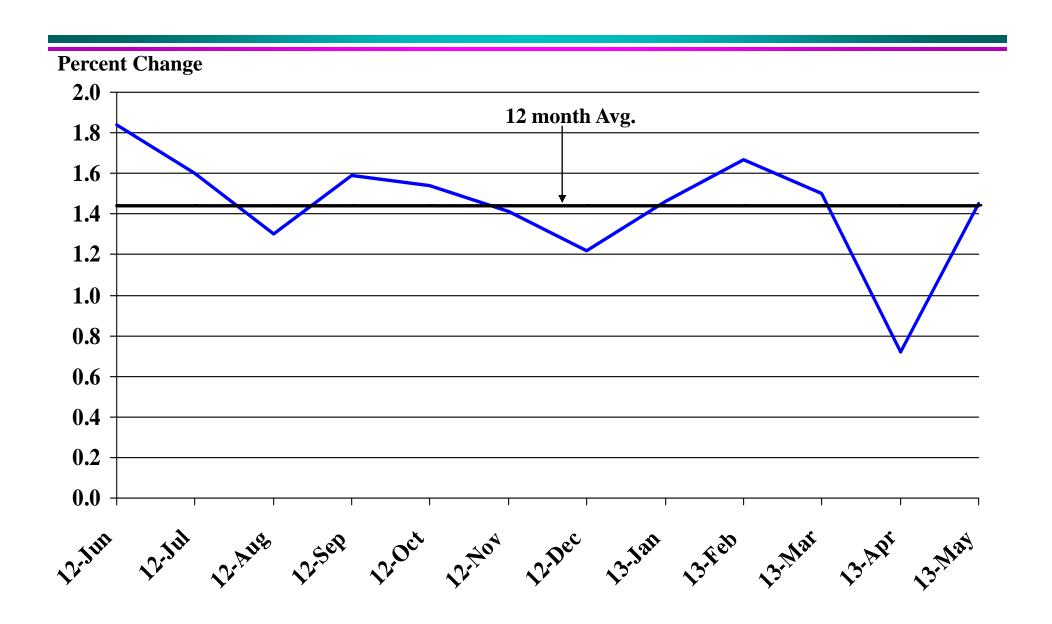
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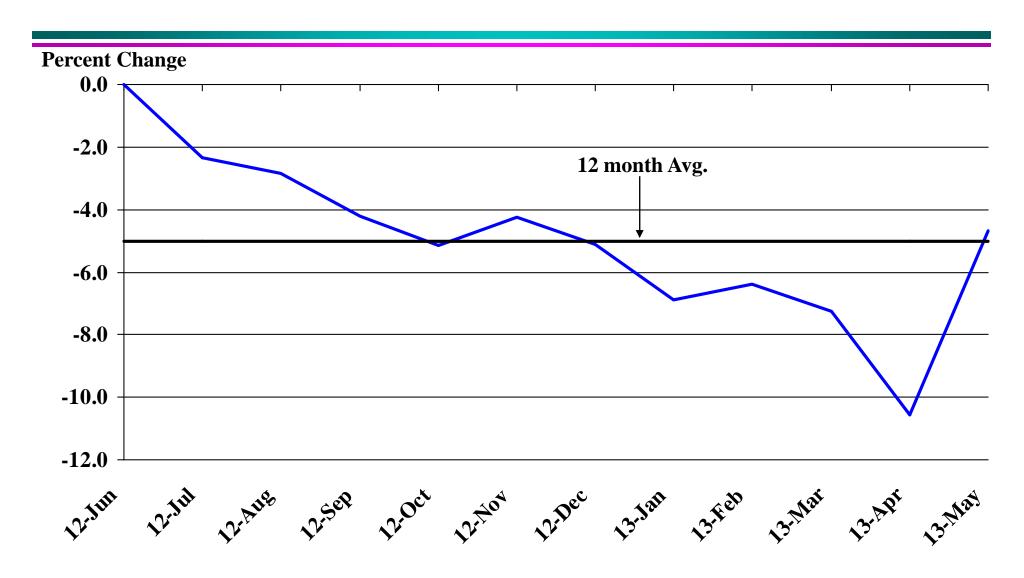
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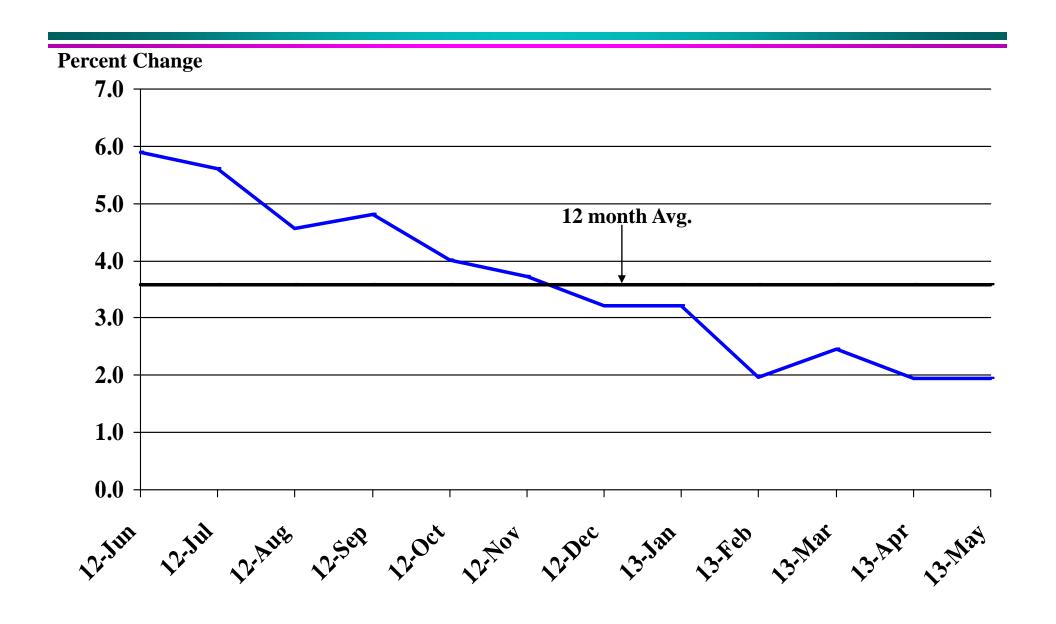
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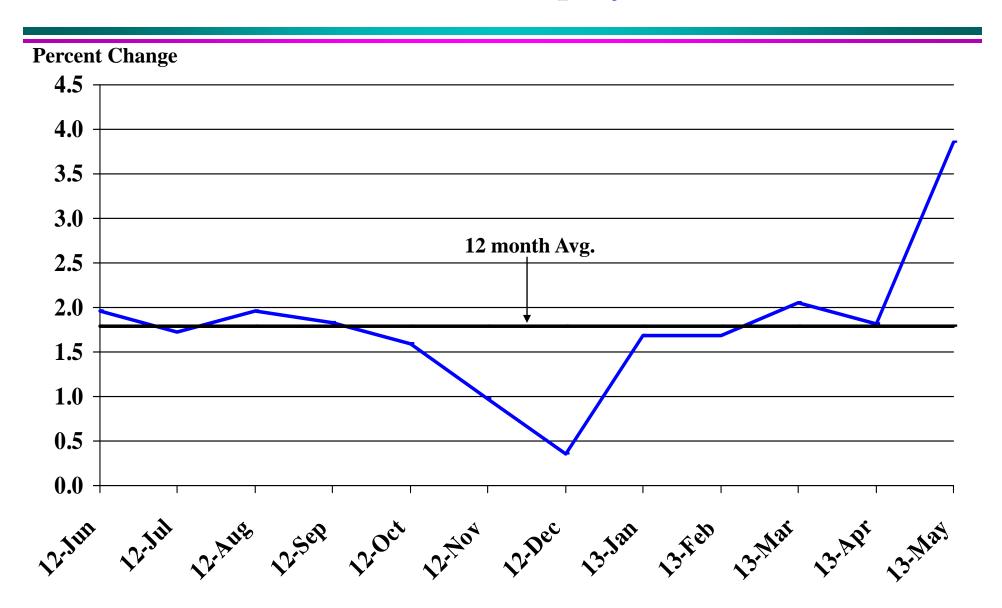
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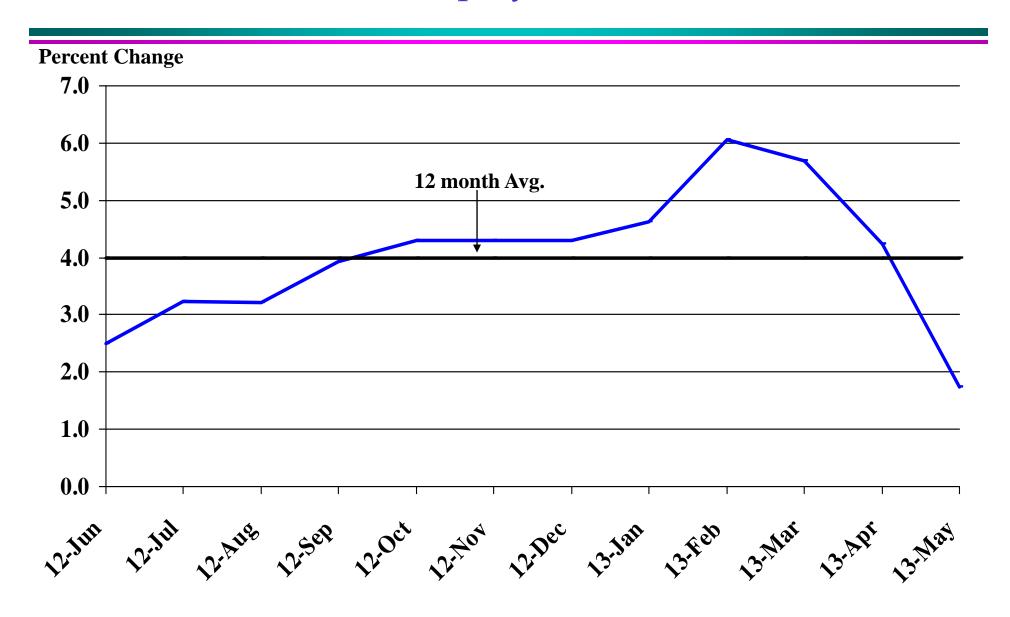
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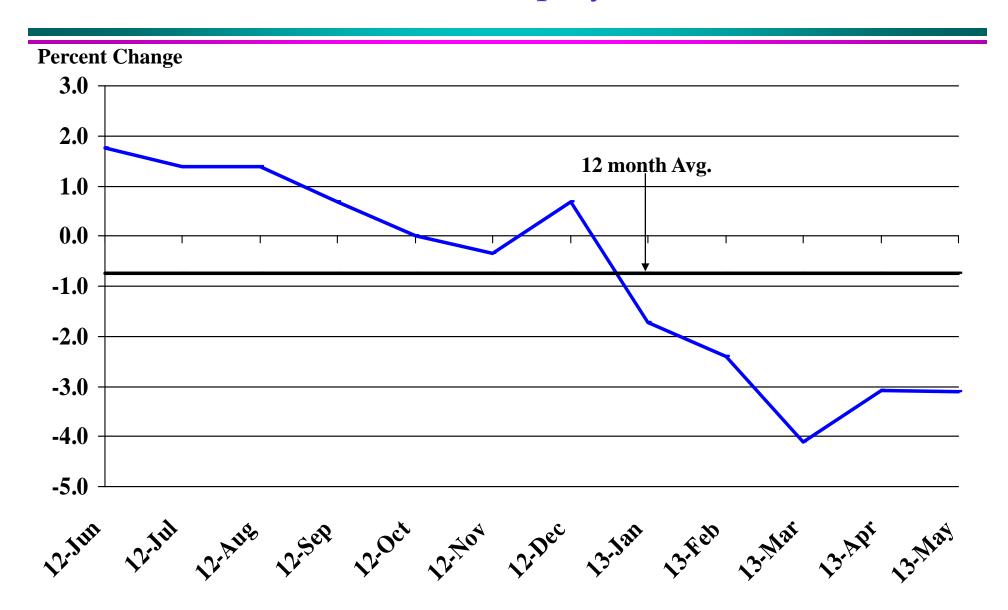
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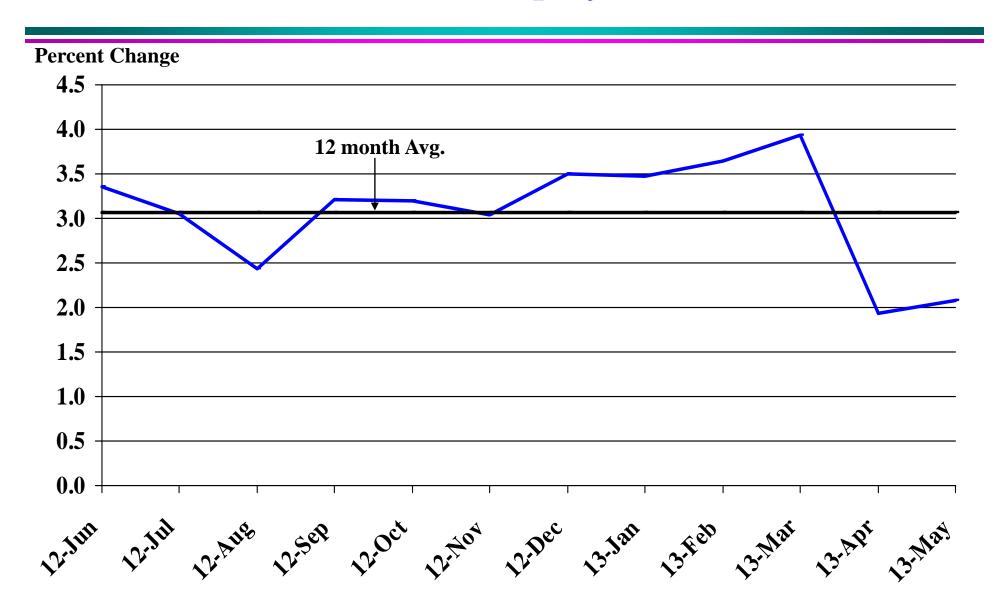
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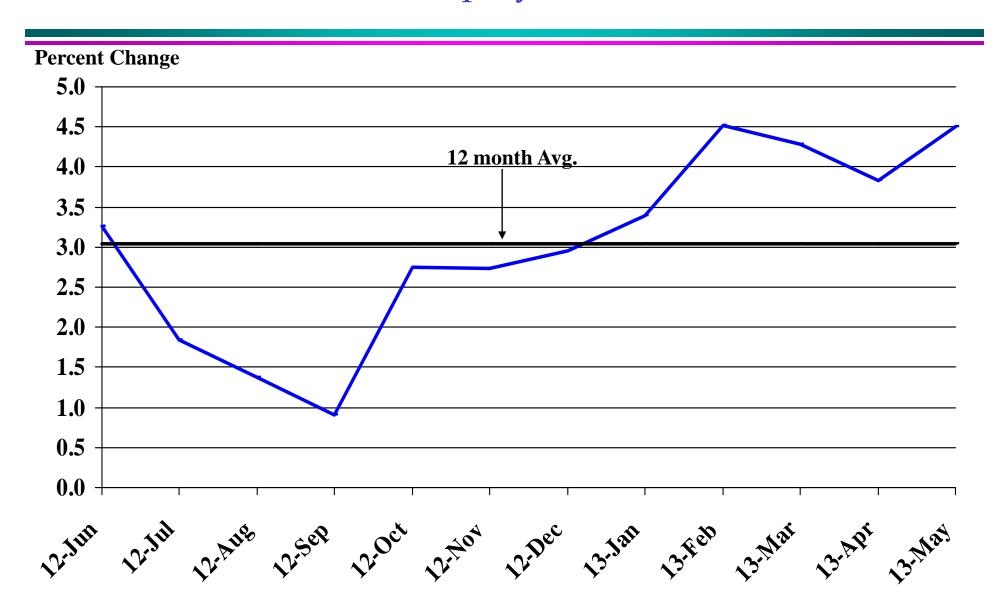
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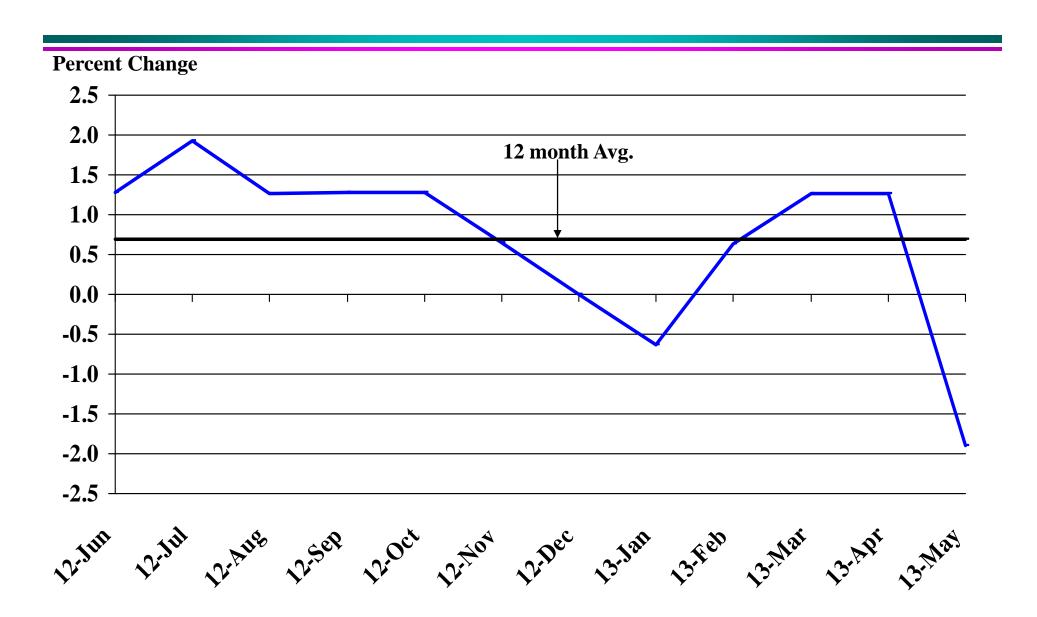
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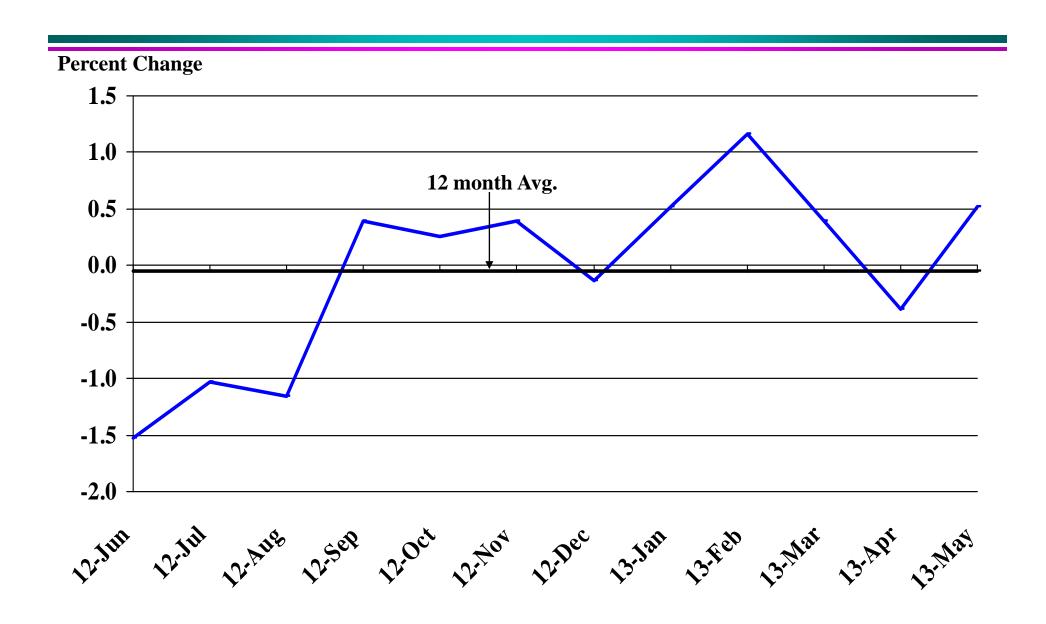
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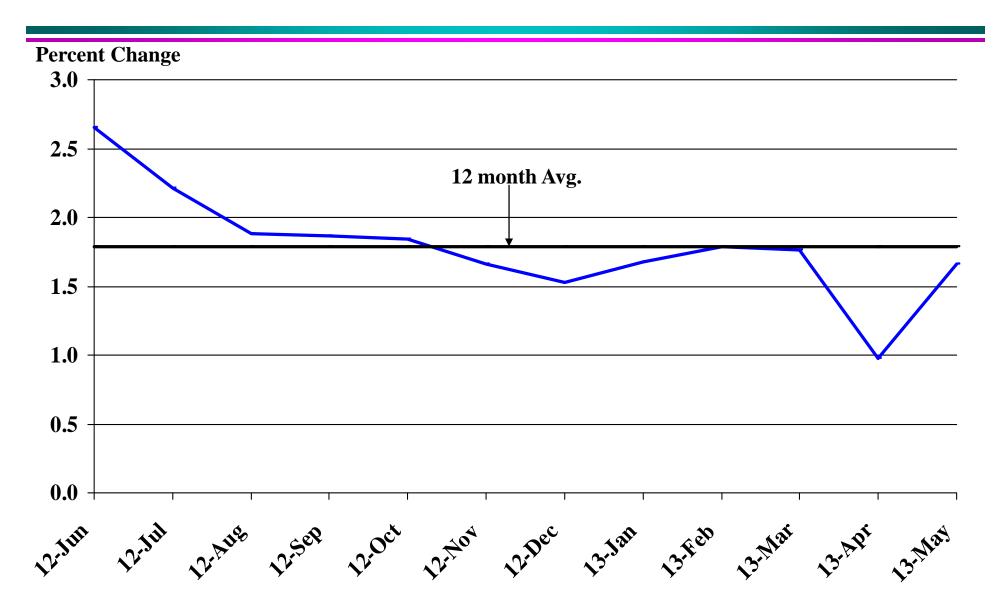
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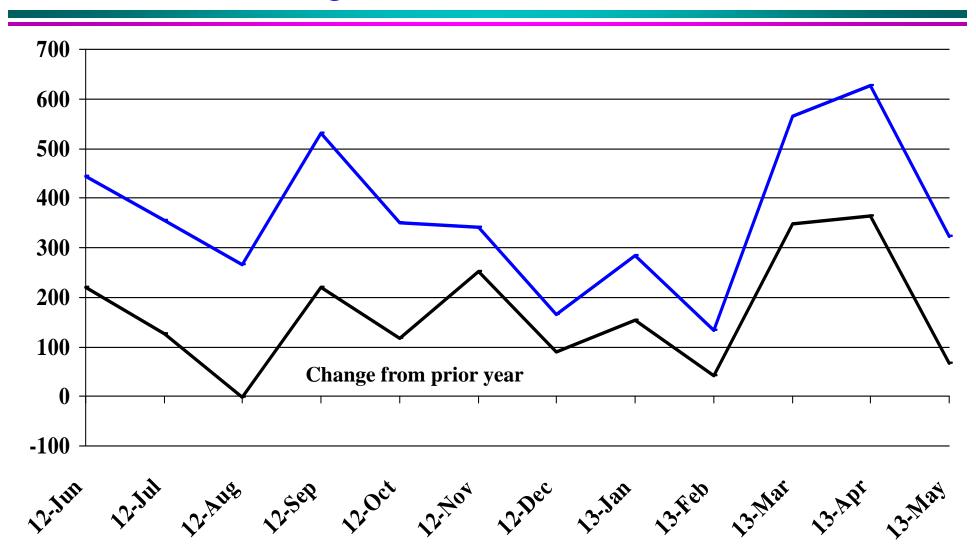
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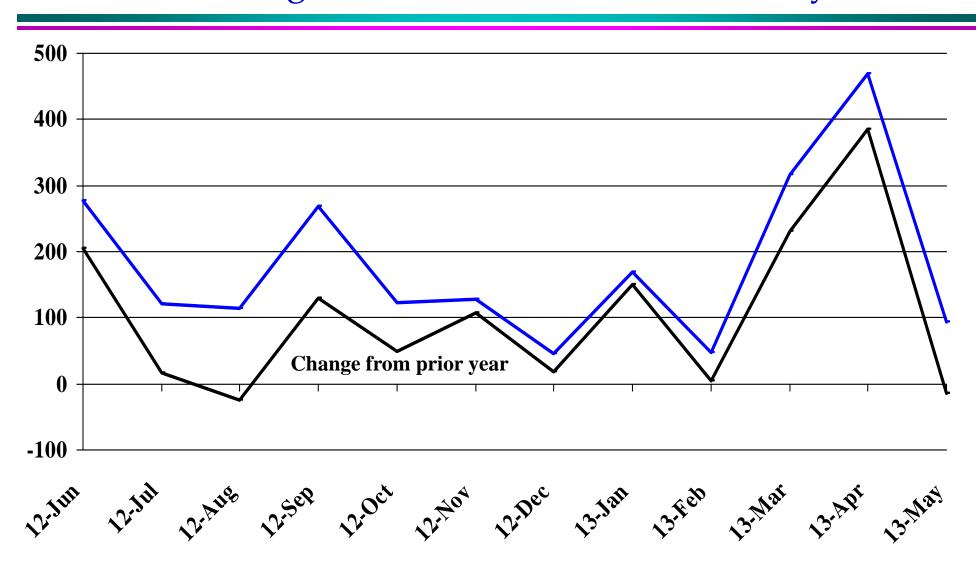
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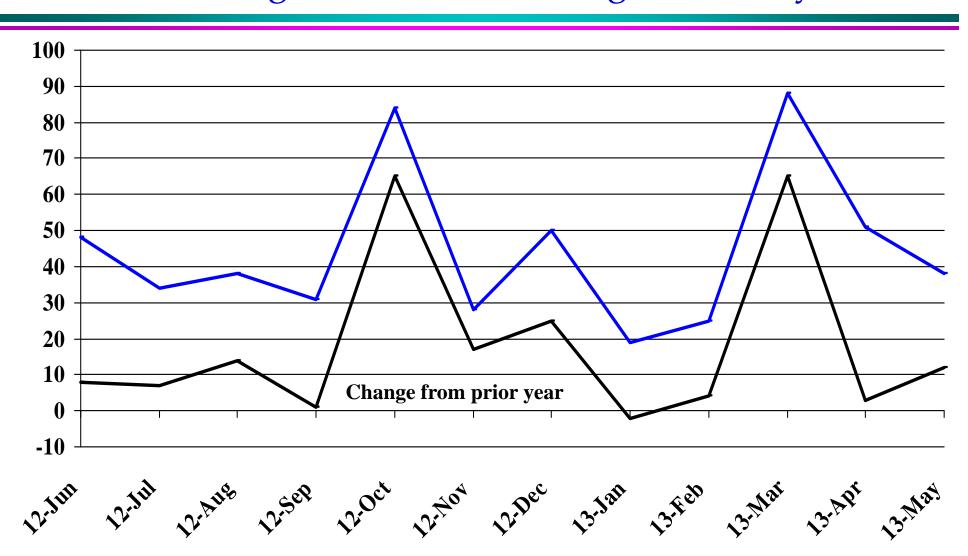
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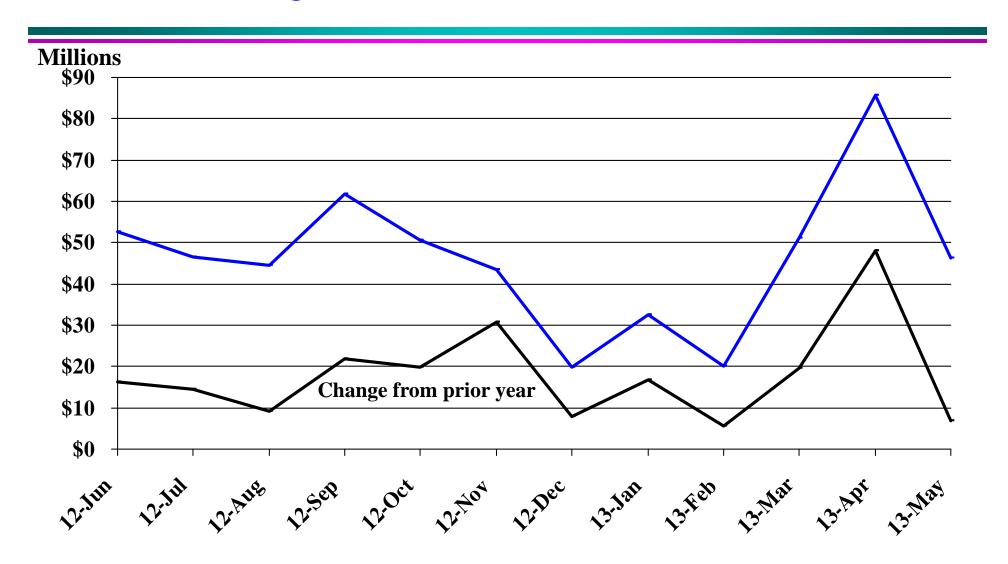
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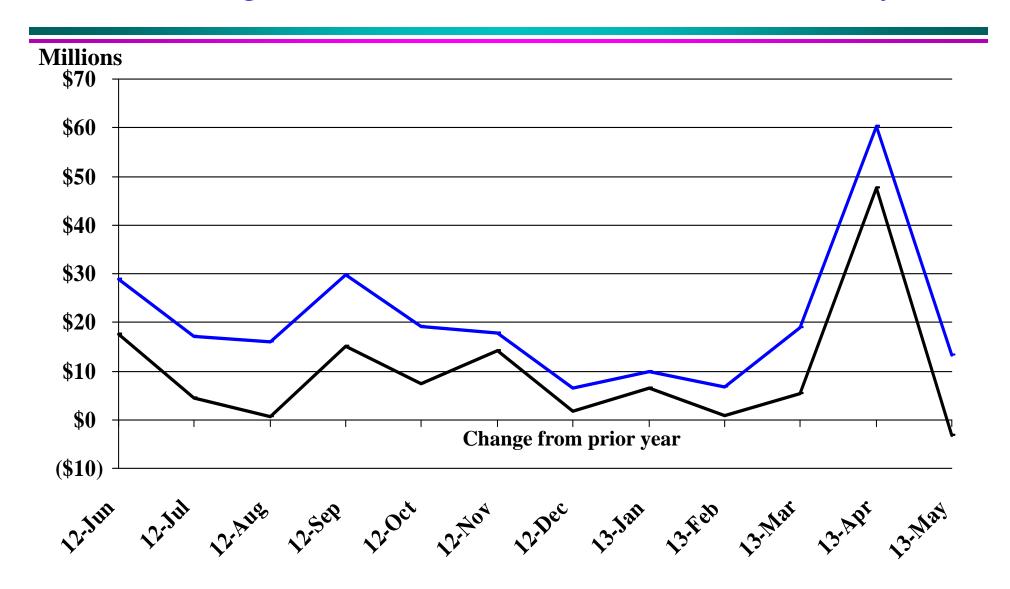
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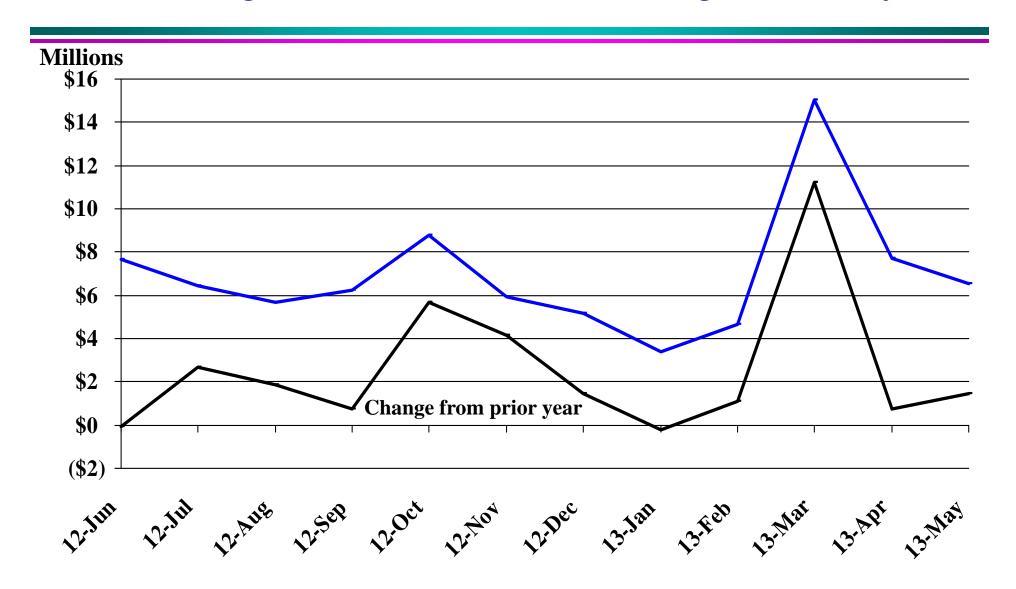
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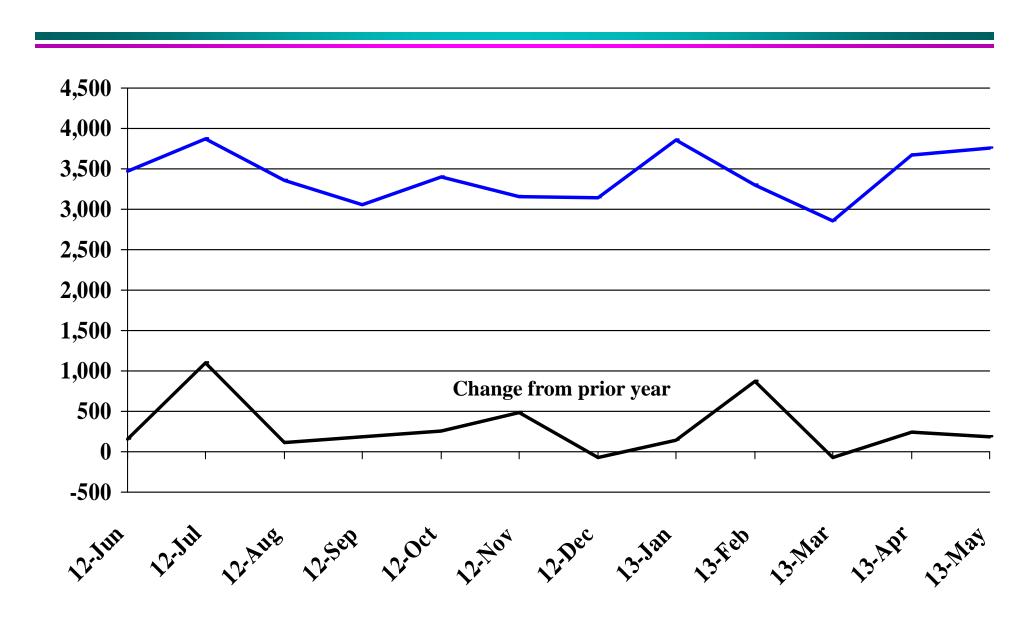
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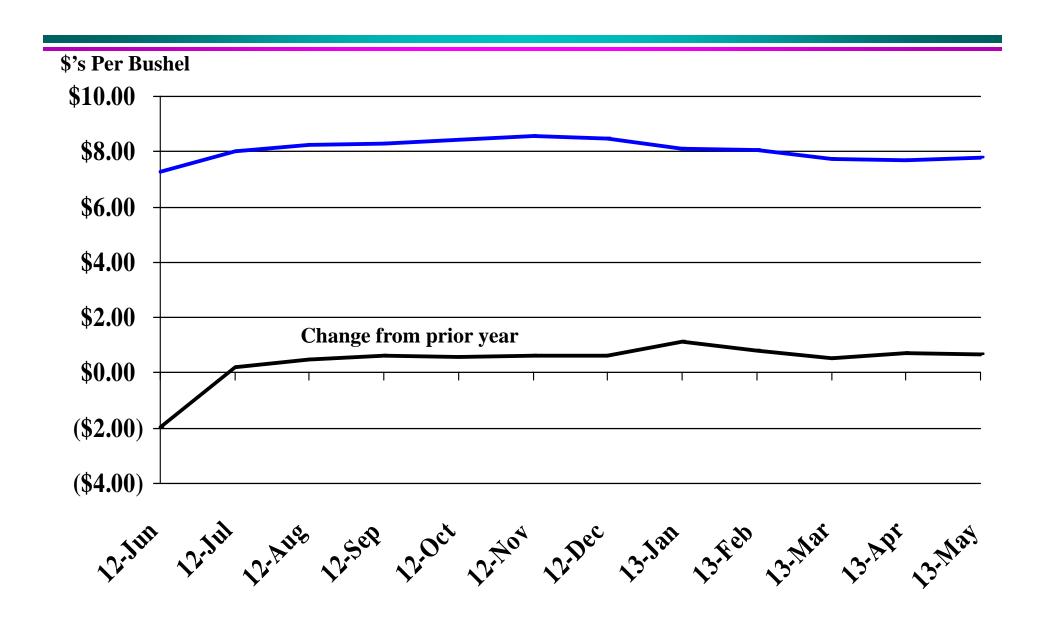
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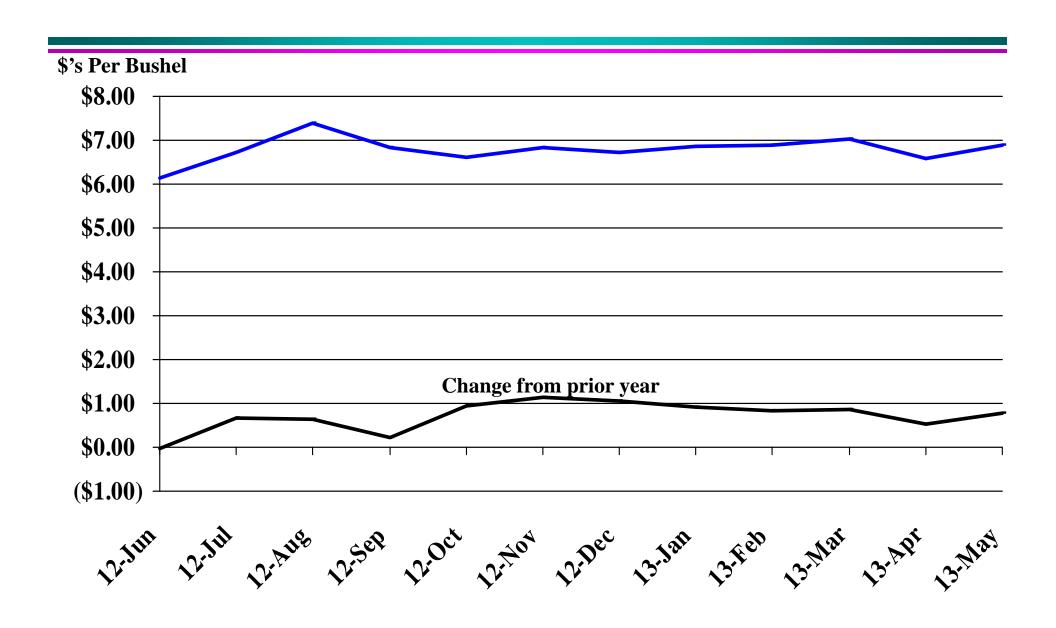
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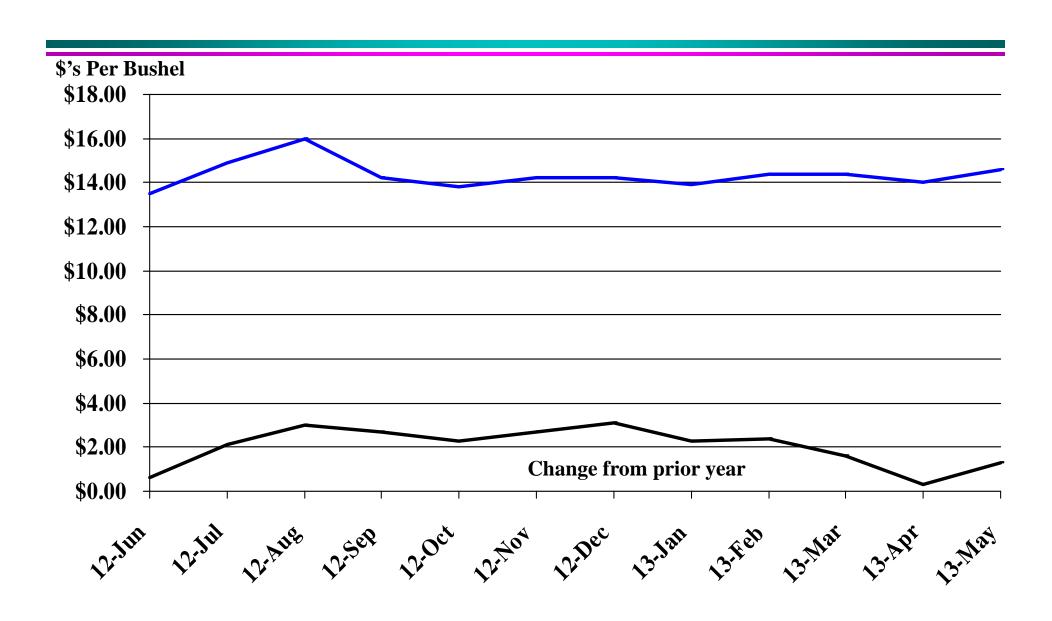
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Recent Trends in the Price of Corn



Recent Trends in the Price of Soybeans



Recent Trends in the Price of Hay

