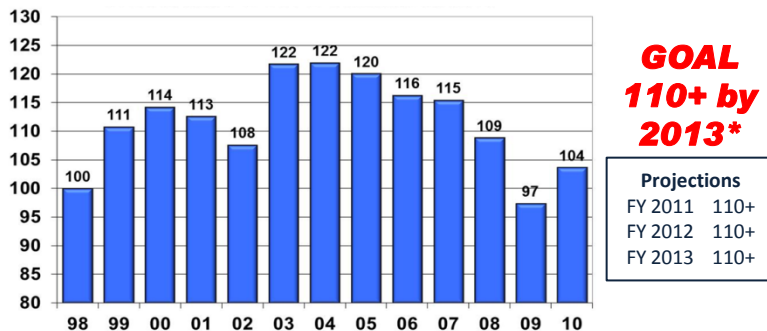


Wholesale Beef Index Measure (WBI)



Source: USDA, KSU, CattleFax. Index based on 1998 value of a pound of wholesale beef, adjusted for inflation. * Index adjusted from 105 to 110+ in July, 2011 by the LRP Task Force.

Core Strategy – Capitalize on Global Growth Opportunities

GOAL: Increase the value of exports 25% (total export value divided by number of fed cattle slaughtered).



Source: USMEF

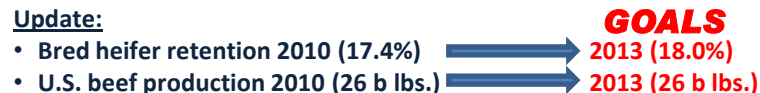
Core Strategy – Strengthen the Image of Beef and the Beef Industry

GOAL: Establish a benchmark measure of public perceptions of beef and beef production.

Update: Benchmark underway; initial measure will be incorporated into the Consumer Beef Index survey in Summer 2011.

Core Strategy – Position the U.S. Cow Herd for Growth

GOAL: Increase bred heifer retention to 18% while stabilizing U.S. beef production at a minimum of 26 billion lbs.



Source: CattleFax

Core Strategy – Protect and Enhance our Freedom to Operate

GOAL: Develop an index to measure and track freedom to operate.

Update:

- Include benchmark question(s) in the annual USDA Producer Attitude Survey in Summer 2011.
- Online survey to capture feedback from other industry sectors.

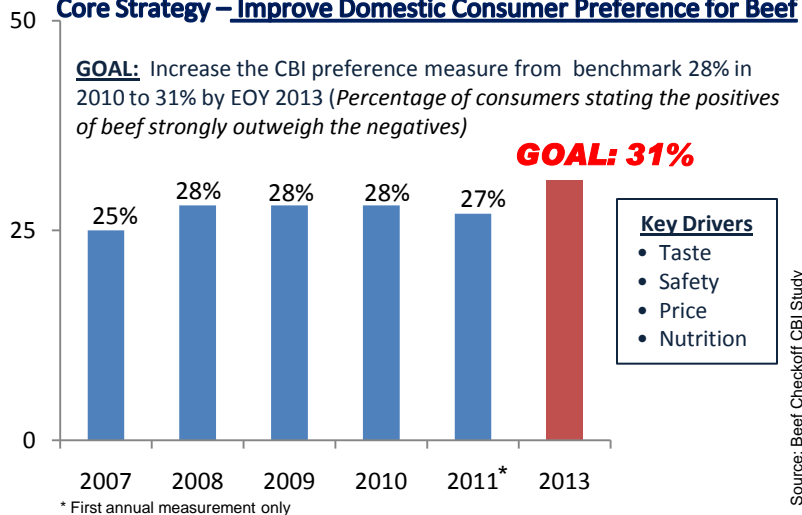
Core Strategy – Improve Industry Trust, Openness and Relationships

GOAL: Establish benchmark of industry stakeholder perceptions of unity and trust.

Update:

- Include benchmark question(s) in the annual USDA Producer Attitude Survey in Summer 2011.
- Online survey to capture feedback from other industry sectors.

Core Strategy – Improve Domestic Consumer Preference for Beef



* First annual measurement only

Critical Success Factors

- Develop a resourcing plan to achieve desired outcomes of the Long Range Plan (checkoff and non-checkoff)
- Adopt a practical and effective industry-wide animal disease traceability program.

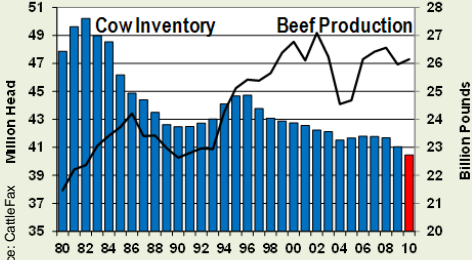
2011 – Key Trends Impacting the Food Production Chain

- Trend 1** – Agriculture must double food production by 2050 using fewer natural resources
- Trend 2** – Demand increasingly defines agricultural production systems and food products
- Trend 3** – The health care debate will sharpen the divide between ‘good’ and ‘bad’ foods
- Trend 4** – Emerging ag research models focus on innovation and market advantage
- Trend 5** – New marketing tools expand consumer touch points and strengthen relationships

Source: Food Foresight, April 2011 (updated annually)

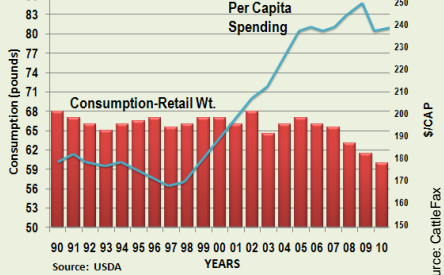
Inventory, Production, Spending and Consumption

Total Cow Inventory and Beef Production



Source: CattleFax
As the cow herd declines, beef production has become increasingly more difficult to maintain.

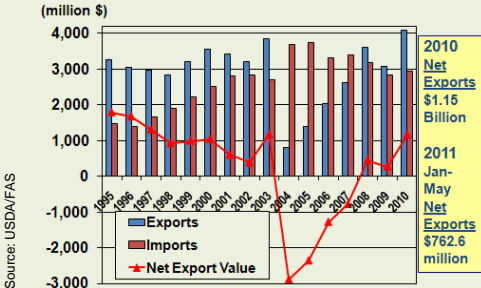
Per Capita Beef Spending and Consumption



Source: USDA
While annual per capita consumption has declined, spending continues to increase due to rising prices.

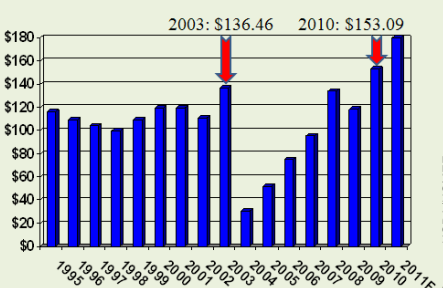
International Markets

Net Export Value



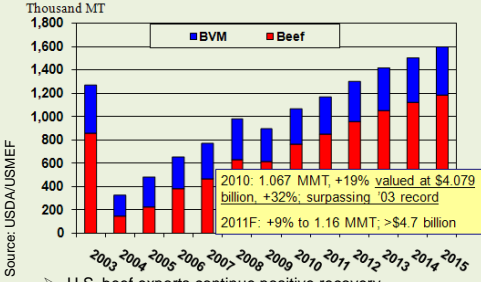
Source: USDA/FAFAS
The U.S. once again became a net exporter in 2008.

Value of Exports per head Slaughtered



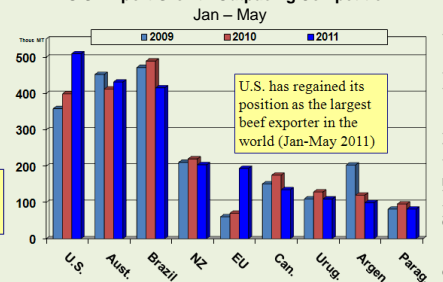
Source: USDA/USMEF
Value per head slaughtered continues to increase.

U.S. Beef Exports, Recovery



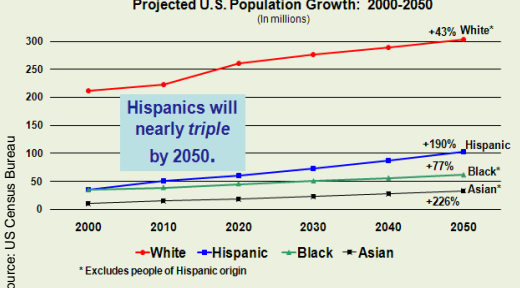
Source: USDA/USMEF
U.S. beef exports continue positive recovery.

U.S. Export Growth Outpacing Competition



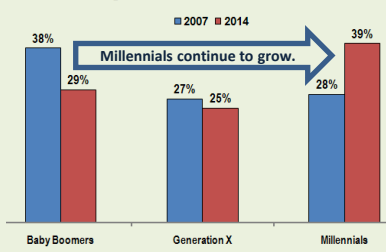
Source: Global Trade Atlas, excludes variety meats
U.S. has regained its position as the largest beef exporter in the world (Jan-May 2011)

The Changing U.S. Consumer



Source: US Census Bureau
The U.S. population continues to evolve ethnically and demographically; Hispanics continue to increase at an accelerated rate. By 2014, Millennials will become the largest segment of the workforce.

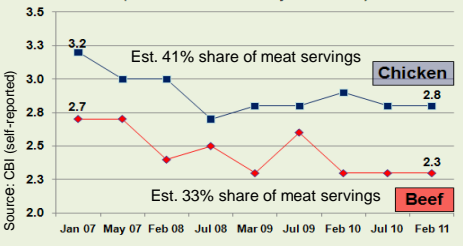
Millennials to Replace Boomers as Largest Segment of the Workforce



Source: Technomic Information Services

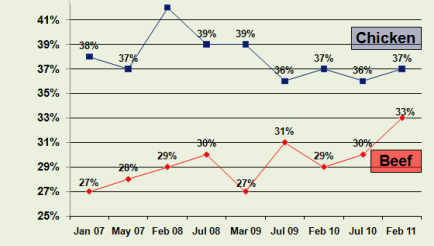
Domestic Beef versus Chicken

Past Week Average Number of Servings



Source: CBI (self-reported)
The gap between beef and chicken servings has not improved; however, beef is closing the gap on stated preference.

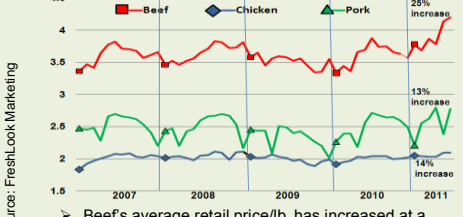
Consumer Preference for Dinner



Source: CBI (self-reported)

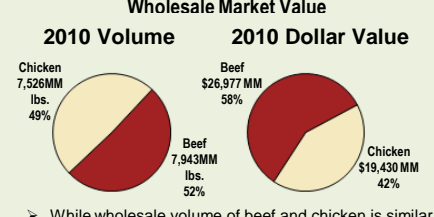
Retail and Foodservice

Average Retail Price per Pound



Source: FreshLook/Marketing
Beef's average retail price/lb. has increased at a greater rate than chicken or pork.

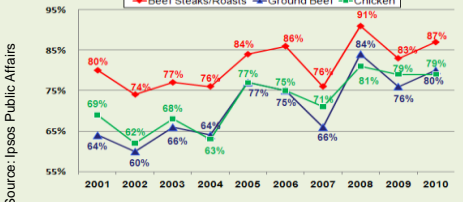
Beef and Chicken Foodservice Wholesale Market Value



Source: Technomic 2010 Foodservice Volumetric
While wholesale volume of beef and chicken is similar, beef's dollar value is considerably higher.

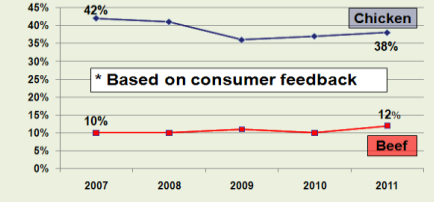
Safety & Nutrition

Safety Grades for Fresh Meats



Source: Ipsos Public Affairs
Safety perceptions are highest for fresh beef steaks/roasts.

Nutritional Content – Which is better? *



Source: CBI (Spring measure)
Beef trails chicken on perceptions of nutritional content.