### **B.C.'S AGRICULTURAL SECTOR IN AN UNCERTAIN ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT**

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### Outline

- Current macroeconomic trends and forecasts
- Interest rate trends and exchange forecasts
- Agriculture Trends





## Manufacturing slowdown eases in September, but activity still contracting

Global Manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index

**Balance of opinion (%)** 

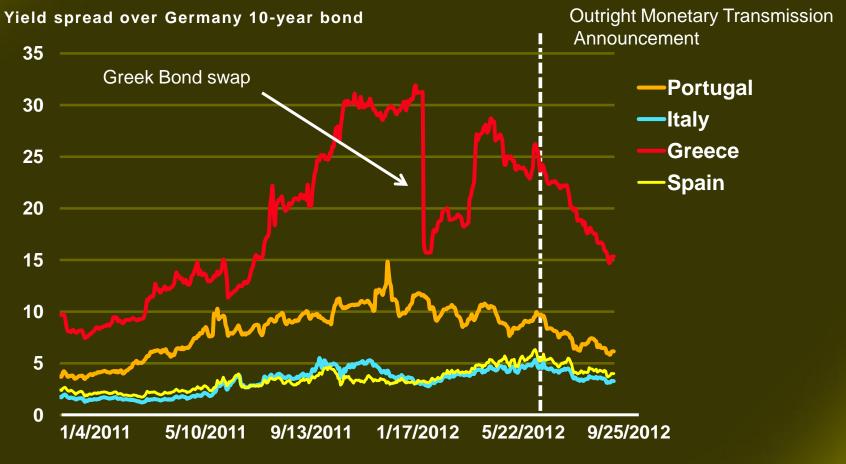


Source: JP Morgan, Markit. Note: Seasonally adjusted. Latest: Sep-12





## Yield spreads ease on ECB backing but elevated as investors wary

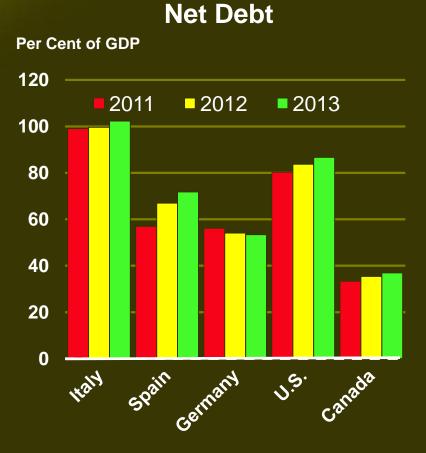


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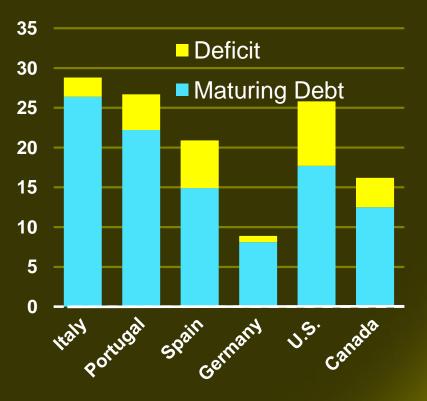




## Debt-to-GDP growth easing as deficits trimmed on fiscal consolidation, growth concerns in Europe



Gross Financing Needs - 2012 Per Cent of GDP



Source: IMF Fiscal Monitor Latest: Apr-12.

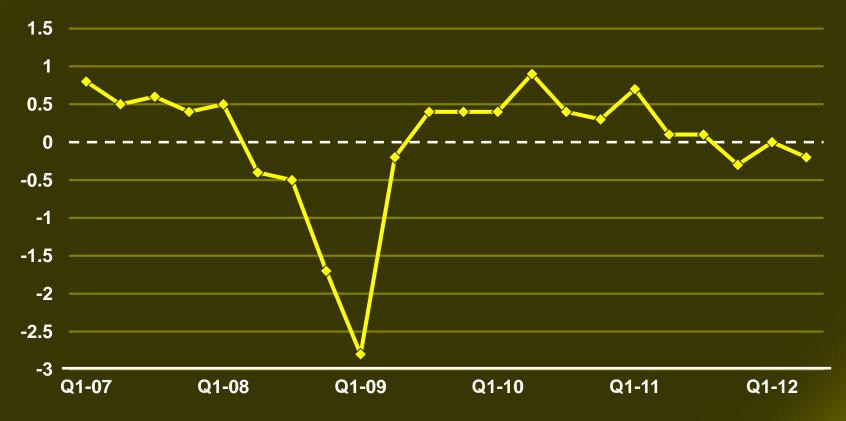




## Europe in recession; further contraction in coming months

Economic Growth, Euro Area Countries

Percentage change at annual rate in real GDP



SOURCE: Eurostat.

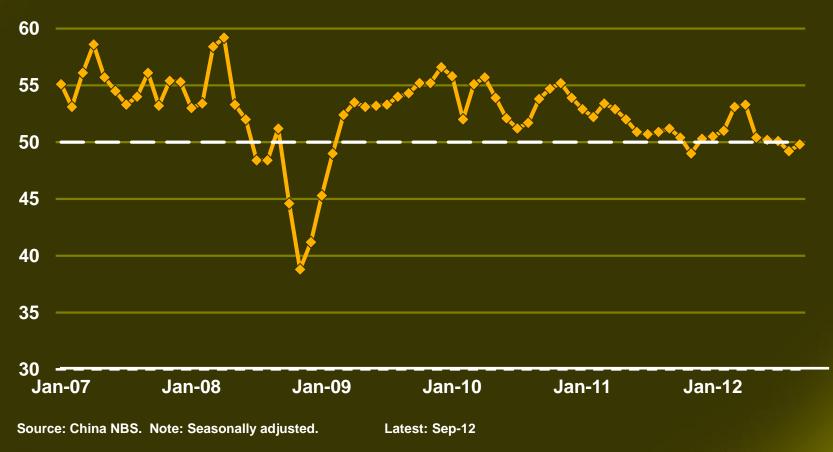




# China's economic growth slowing; hard or soft landing?

China Manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index

Balance of opinion (%)







#### Moderate growth in most recent quarters

U.S. and Canada Economic Growth, Quarterly

Percentage change at annual rate in real GDP



SOURCE: U.S. BEA, Statistics Canada.





## U.S. job growth slowing; temporary or recession ahead?

U.S. Payroll Employment, Total and Monthly Change



Source: U.S. BLS. Note: Seasonally adjusted. Latest: Sep-12





### Labour market slack persists as unemployment rate remains high



Source: U.S. BLS. Note: Seasonally adjusted. Latest: Sep-12

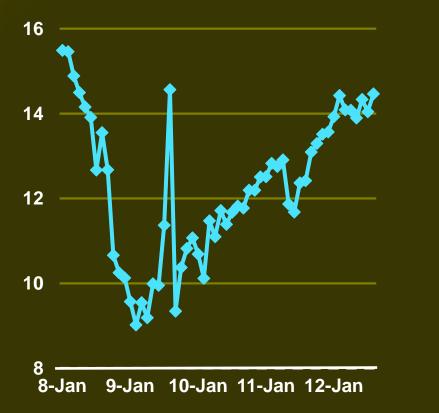




### Key consumer spending sectors reviving

#### **New Vehicle Sales**

**Units - millions** 



#### **Housing Starts**

**Units - millions** 



Source: U.S. BEA. Note: SAAR.

Latest: Vehicles Aug-12, Starts Aug-12.

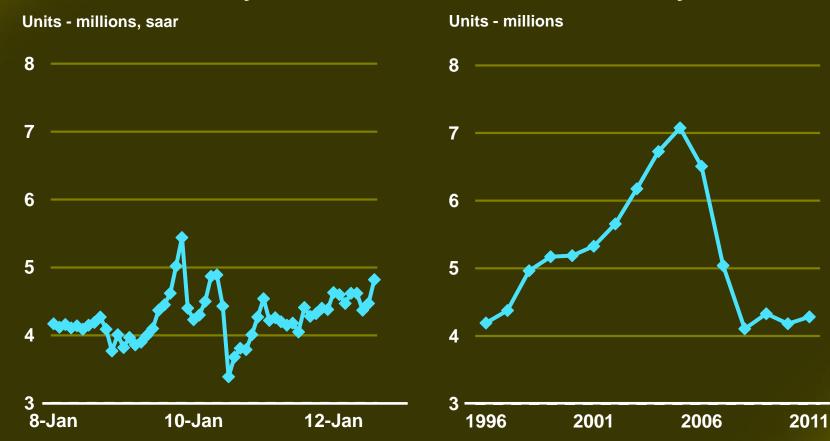




#### **U.S.** home sales no longer dropping

#### Monthly

#### Annually



SOURCE: NAR. Latest: Aug-12

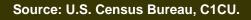




### Pent-up housing demand developing

U.S. Housing Starts and Population Base

Units per 1,000 population

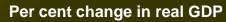






### Cyclical upturn in U.S. growth expected

U.S. and Canada Economic Growth





Source: IMF WEO July 2012. Latest actual: 2011. Forecast: 2012 - 2017. .





#### Moderate growth in most recent quarters

Canada Economic Growth, Quarterly

Percentage change at annual rate in real GDP



SOURCE: Statistics Canada.

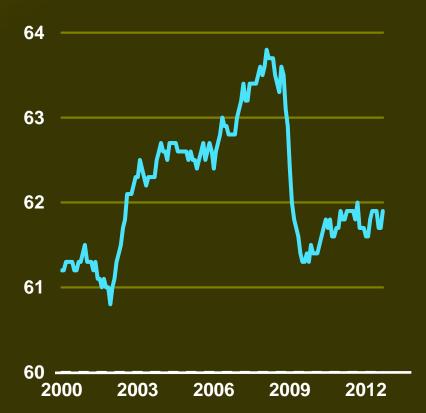




### **Employment rising but labour market challenged**

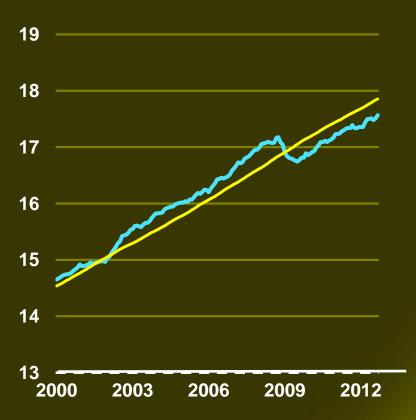
#### **Employment Rate**

Per Cent



#### Employed

Persons (millions)



SOURCE: Statistics Canada . Latest: Sep-12





## Canadian economy continues to trend below potential

**Output Gap** 

Per cent



SOURCE: Bank of Canada





## Cyclical upturn in U.S. growth expected, Canada to lag behind

U.S. and Canada Economic Growth

Per cent change in real GDP



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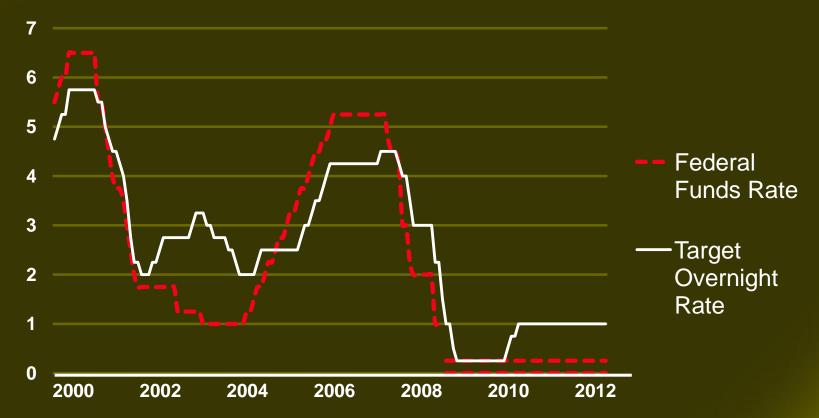




### Bank of Canada policy rate above Federal Funds Rate, BoC hawkish stance pared back

Interest Rate Forecasts, Monthly

Per cent



Source: Bank of Canada, Federal Reserve, C1CU. Latest actual: Sep 2012





#### **Inflation pressures in Canada tame**

**CPI** Price Inflation



Year-over-vear per cent change

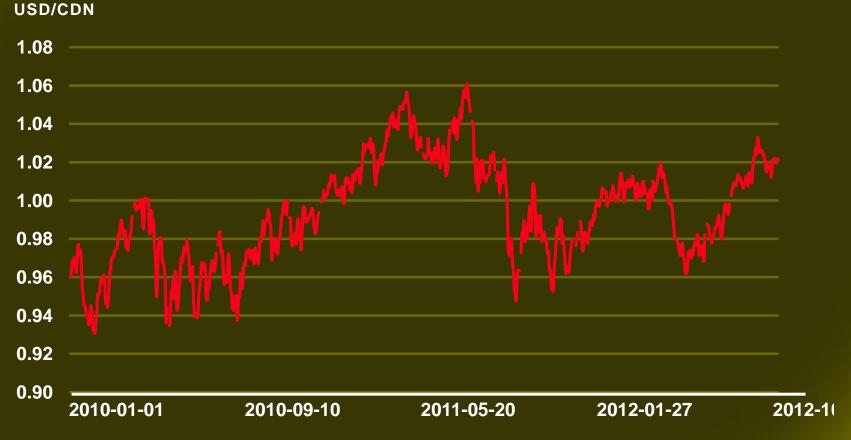
Source: Bank of Canada, Federal Reserve, C1CU. Latest actual: Aug 2012





### **Canadian dollar remains above parity**

Daily Exchange Rate



Source: Bank of Canada, Federal Reserve, C1CU. Average weekly data Latest actual: Aug 2012

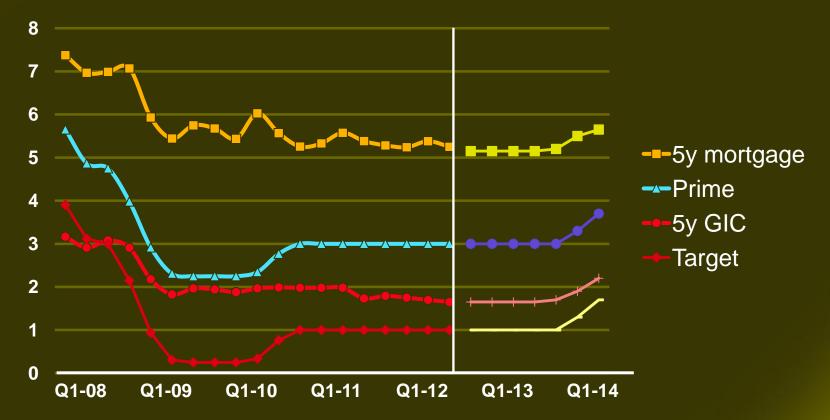




## Low interest rates ahead, first BoC rate increase early 2014

Interest Rate Forecasts, Quarterly

Per cent

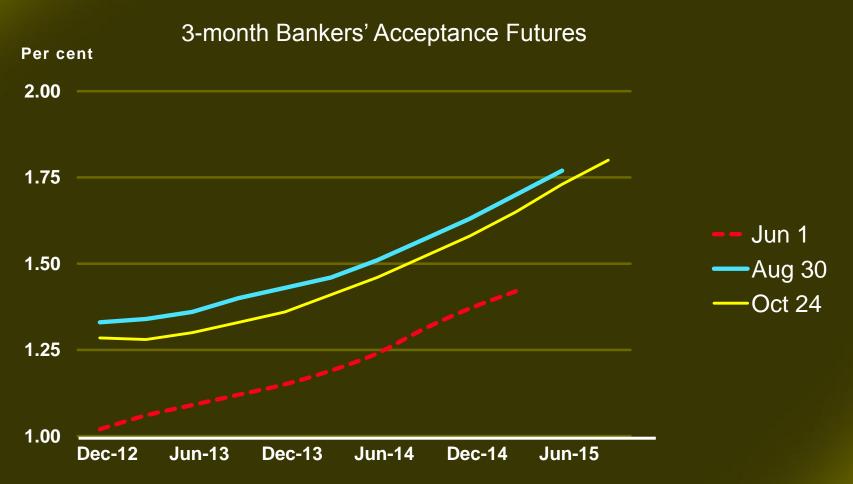


Source: Bank of Canada, C1CU. Note: Averages. Latest actual: Q2-12





#### Market expects rate to hold steady until mid-2014



Source: Bank of Canada, Federal Reserve, C1CU. Latest actual: Sep 2012





## Low interest rates into 2014, rising at faster pace in 2015 and 2016

Government of Canada Bond Yield and T-Bill Rate

Per cent

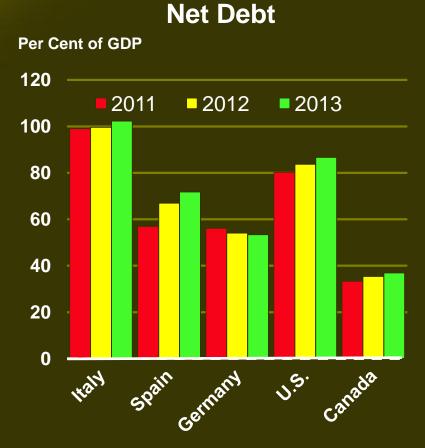


Source: Bank of Canada, C1CU. Latest actual: 2011. Forecast: 2012 - 2017.



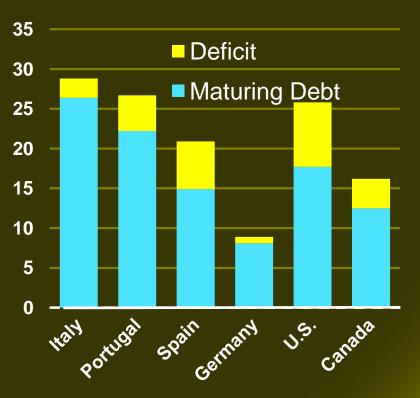


### Canadian public finances on solid ground



#### **Gross Financing Needs - 2012**

Per Cent of GDP



Source: IMF Fiscal Monitor Latest: Apr-12.





## Higher Canadian dollar through 2013, mixed views in near-term

Exchange Rate Forecast, Canada

**USD** per CAD



Source: Bank of Canada, C1CU survey. Latest actual: Q3-12





### Impacts:

- The European situation will deteriorate further and negatively affect the global economy and financial markets.
- The global growth slowdown ends shortly with the U.S. and China economies gaining momentum.
- The U.S. and global economy shift into a higher growth phase in 2015.
- Financing costs to remain low over forecast horizon
- Messaging of central banks and economic challenges signal stable rate environment
- High Canadian dollar ensures favourable import pricing for machinery, equipment, fertilizer





## Commodity prices sliding in recent months, food main exception

Primary Commodity Price Indices, Monthly



Source: IMF, Central 1 Credit Union Latest Sep 2012





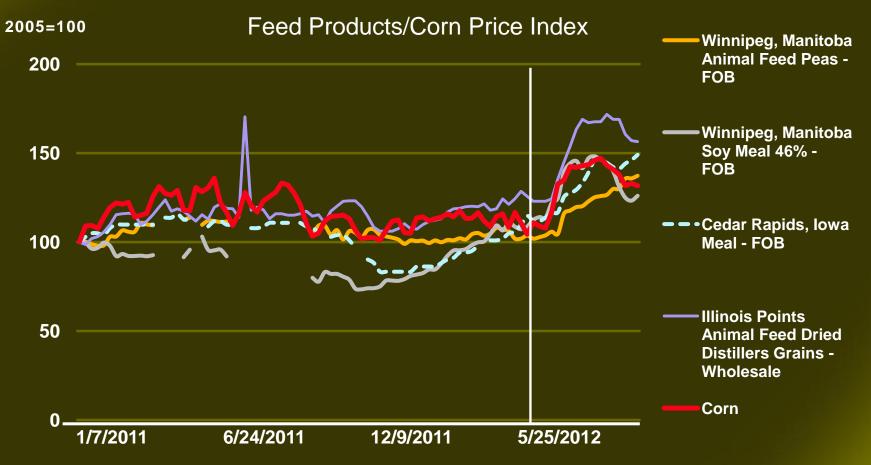
### **Crop prices surge in 2012 on drought conditions**







### **U.S. drought drive feed input cost higher for livestock producers**



Source: Bloomberg, Central 1 Latest: Oct-5-2012





## Q3 forecast to be market top for corn prices, easing over next two years

**Corn Prices** Cents per bushel USD 900 ---Futures 800 700 IMF Prospects 600 500 ---Bloomberg 400 Median 300 Bloomberg Ann 200 For 100 0 Q1-07 Q1-08 Q1-09 Q1-10 Q1-11 Q1-12 Q1-13 Q1-14 Q1-15

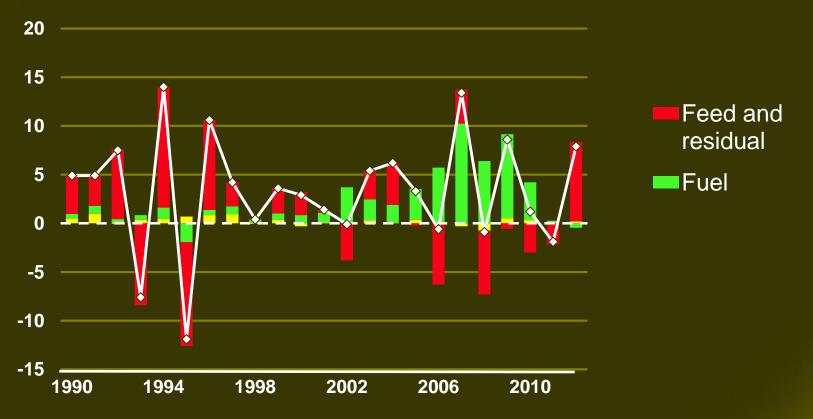
Source: IMF WEO, Bloomberg, Latest actual: Q3-12





### Incremental corn production to boost animal feed in 2012, ethanol allocation to drop

Contributions to Growth in U.S. Corn use, Per Cent



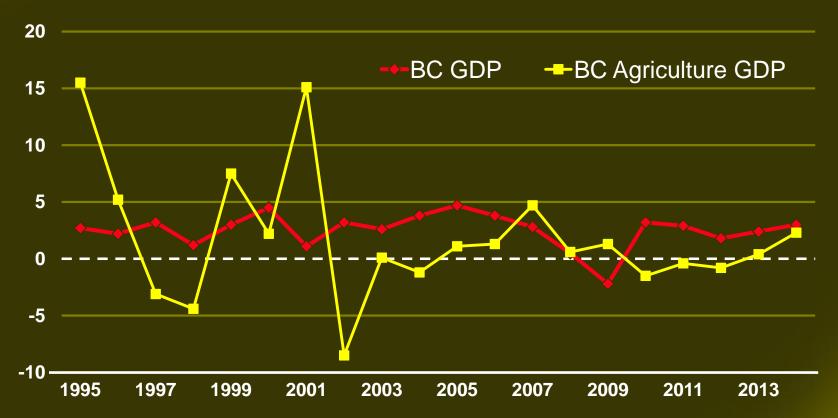
Source: US Dept of Agriculture, IMF WEO October 2012





### Agricultural economy underperforms provincial growth through 2014

Index (2000 = 100)



Source: Statistics Canada, Central 1 Forecast





#### **Growth in receipts below national performance**

Farm Cash Receipts



Index (2000 = 100)

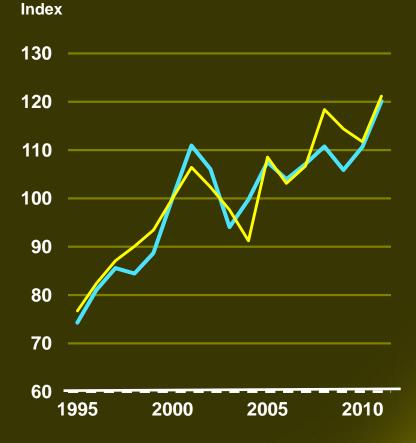
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#### **Underperformance reflects crop composition**



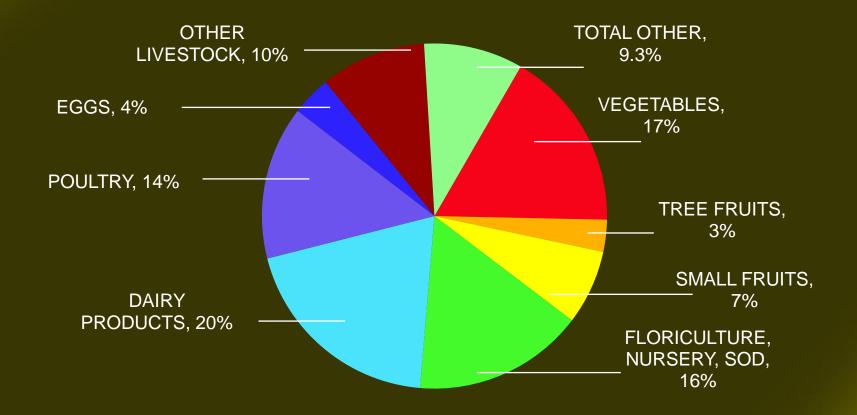


SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Latest: 2011





#### **Proportion of B.C. cash receipts**

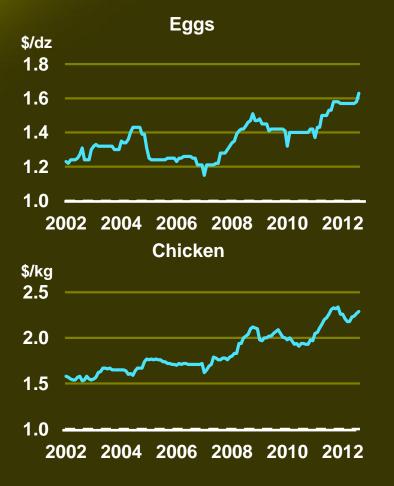


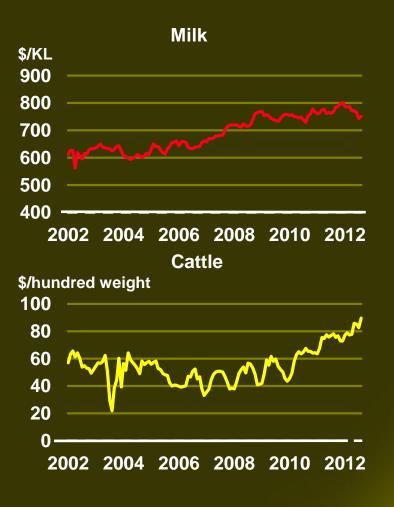
SOURCE: MINISTRY OF JOBS, TOURISM, INNOVATION, 04 2011





#### **Price by Agricultural Commodity**





SOURCE: Source: Statistics Canada.

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### Agricultural exports flat in both current and constant dollar terms

**Dollars - millions** 



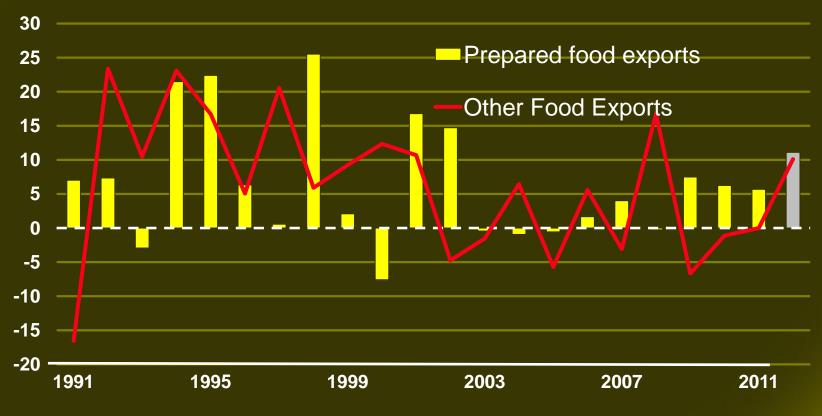
Source: Statistics Canada, C1CU. Note: Seasonally adjusted. Latest: Aug-12





## Prepared food export growth outpaced general agricultural growth in recent years

% change



Source: Industry Canada, Central 1

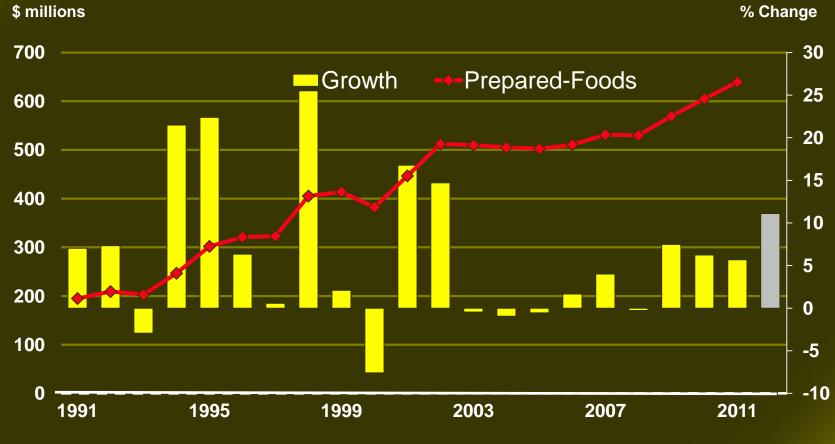
2012 YTD August % growth





# Prepared-food exports trend higher, surge in 2012

**B.C. Prepared Food Exports** 



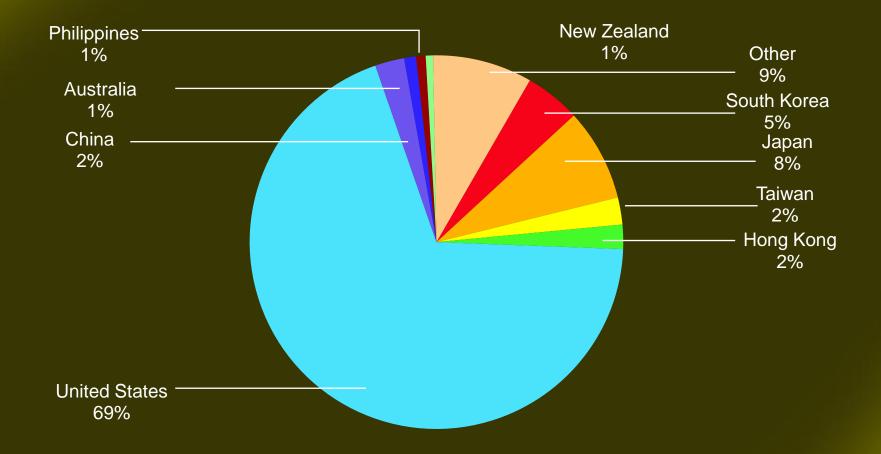
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#### **Agricultural Exports – 2009-2013**

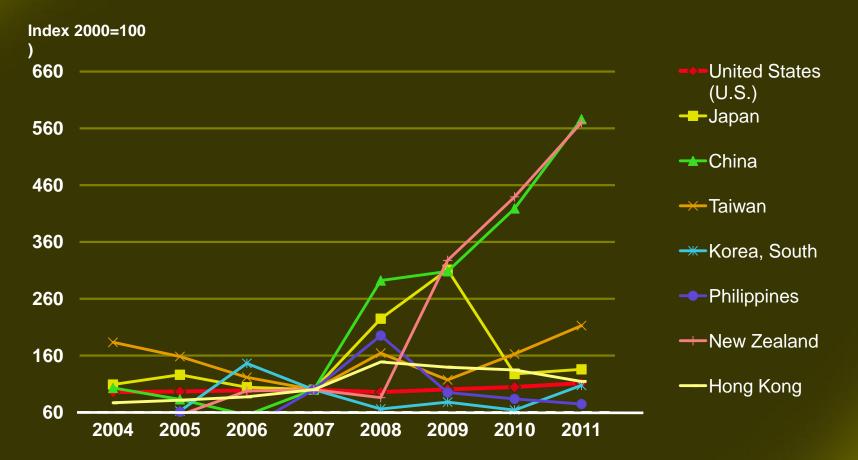


SOURCE: INDUSTRY CANADA





#### **Prepared Food Exports by Country**

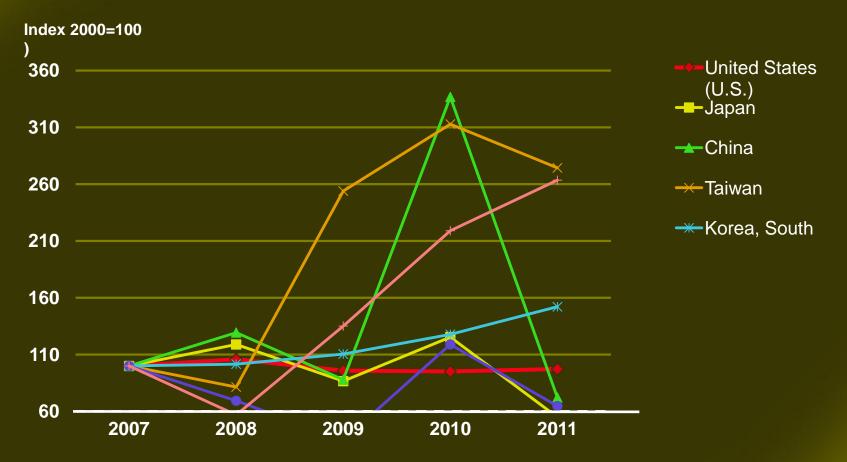


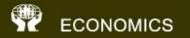
Source: World Bank, Central 1 Credit Union





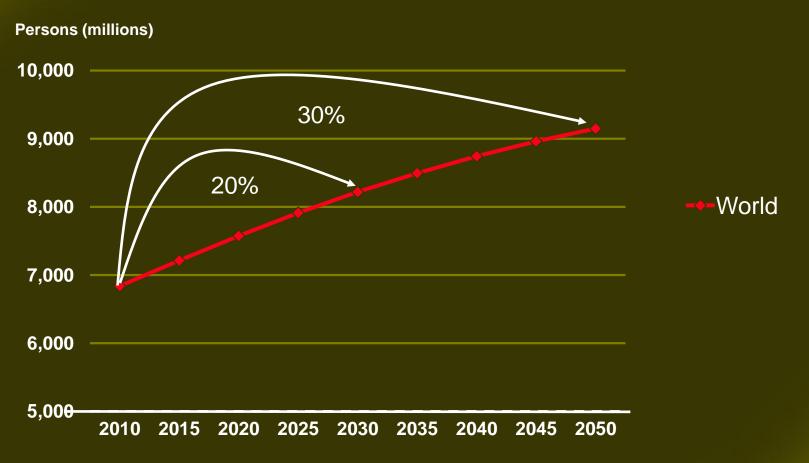
#### **Non- Prepared Food Exports by Country**







#### Projected world population to rise 20% by 2030

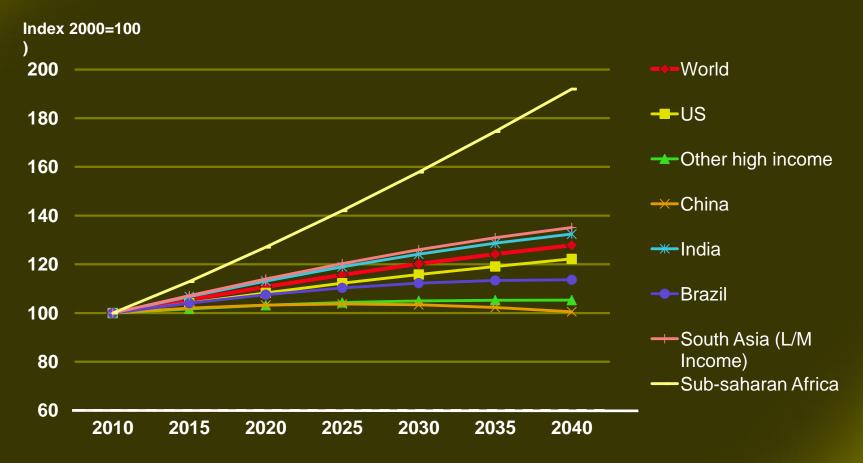


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#### **Growth strongest in lower to mid-income regions**

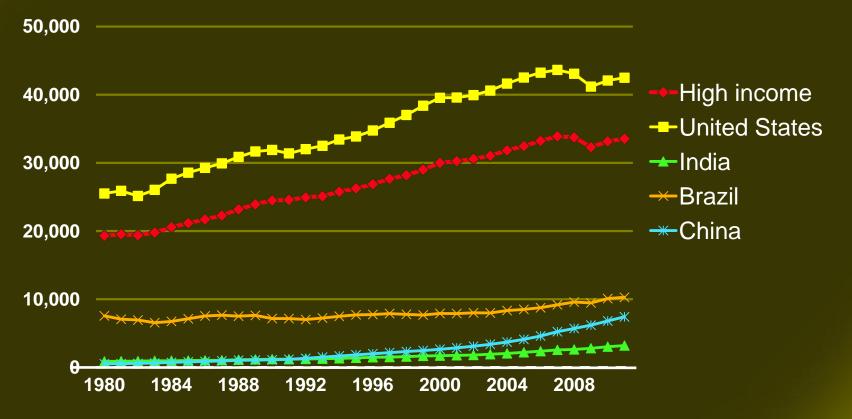






## Income per capita well below high-income countries but rising

Constant Dollar GNI Per Capita



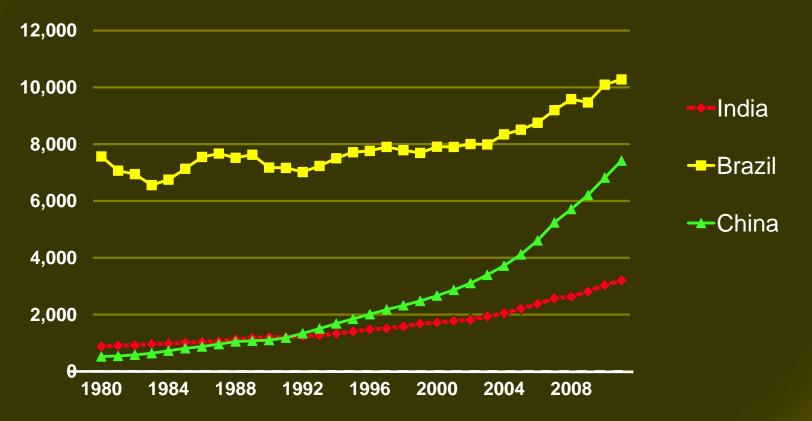




## Income growth generates increased demand for higher end products

Constant Dollar GNI Per Capita

International \$, PPP



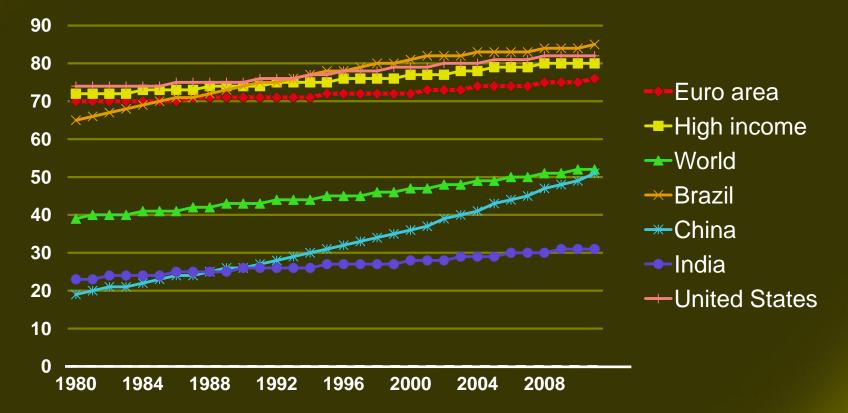




#### Urbanization to boost global food demand

Constant Dollar GNI Per Capita

International \$, PPP



Source: World Bank, Central 1 Credit Union





#### **Global factors:**

- Long-term agricultural demand driven by urbanization, income growth and population growth
- Urbanization could reach nearly 70% from current levels.
- Overall food production by 2050 could mean an increase of 70% (2005/07 – 2050)
- Higher standards of living in emerging economies to drive demand for value added agriculture products – i.e. wines, spirits, packed fruits, etc

Source: Global Agriculture towards 2050, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 2009





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