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Economists for the House Agriculture Committee and Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committees, especially:

CRAIG JAGGER,
House Agriculture Committee Majority Staff, Chief Economist

STEPHANIE MERCIER,
Senate Agriculture Committee Majority Staff, Chief Economist

HAYDEN MILBERG,
Senate Agriculture Committee Minority Staff, Senior Economist

USDA ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE (ERS)

ERS is the main source of economic information and research from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. ERS research informs and enhances public and private decision making on economic and policy issues related to agriculture, food, natural resources, and rural development. For more information, C-FARE encourages you to visit their website. www.ers.usda.gov

USDA NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE (NASS)

The NASS mission is to provide timely, accurate, and useful statistics in service to U. S. agriculture. NASS releases over 400 National statistical reports every year covering crop and livestock production, stocks, dairy products, prices, farm labor, and production inputs. If you require information on a regional, state, or district level, we encourage you to contact NASS. www.nass.usda.gov

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The mission of CSREES is to advance knowledge for agriculture, the environment, human health and well-being, and communities by supporting research, education, and extension programs in the Land-Grant University System and other partner organizations. Please contact CSREES if you have questions on funding of economics at Land-Grant institutions. www.csrees.usda.gov

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AMS facilitates the strategic marketing of agricultural products in domestic and international markets while ensuring fair trading practices and promoting a competitive and efficient marketplace. AMS constantly works to develop new marketing services to increase customer satisfaction. <http://www.ams.usda.gov/>

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OCE advises the Secretary on the economic situation in agricultural markets and the economic implications of policies and programs affecting American agriculture and rural communities. OCE serves as the focal point for economic intelligence and analysis related to agricultural markets and for risk assessment and cost-benefit analysis related to Departmental regulations affecting food and agriculture. <http://www.usda.gov/oce/>

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WAOB serves as USDA's focal point for economic intelligence and the commodity outlook for U.S. and world agriculture. The Board coordinates, reviews, and approves the monthly World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) report, houses OCE's Joint Agricultural Weather Facility, and coordinates USDA's Agricultural Outlook Forum. Annually, the Forum attracts 1,500 attendees, including producers, policymakers, business leaders, and government and industry analysts. <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/index.htm>

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FSA administers and manages farm commodity, credit, conservation, disaster and loan programs as laid out by Congress through a network of federal, state and county offices. These programs are designed to improve the economic stability of the agricultural industry and to help farmers adjust production to meet demand. Economically, the desired result of these programs is a steady price range for agricultural commodities for both farmers and consumers. <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/>

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To provide leadership in a partnership effort to help America's private land owners and managers conserve their soil, water, and other natural resources. <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

In addition, please do not hesitate to contact C-FARE if you would like information from a college of agriculture and natural resources from your state or region. We would be pleased to connect you with the appropriate resources.

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And the academic departments across the country.

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C O N G R E S S W O M A N R O S A L D E L A U R O

Congresswoman DeLauro was born and raised in New Haven's Wooster Square. DeLauro is a graduate of Marymount College, where she received her B.A. with honors. She earned her Masters in International Politics from Columbia University, and studied at the London School of Economics. DeLauro is married to Stanley Greenberg, Democratic pollster and political strategist, and they have 3 grown children - Anna, Kathryn and Jonathan Greenberg, and one granddaughter, Rigby.



Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro (CT-3)

Congresswoman DeLauro was first elected to Congress from Connecticut's Third District in 1990, and is currently serving her ninth term. Congresswoman DeLauro sits on the House Appropriations and Budget Committees. She serves as Chairwoman of the Agriculture-FDA Appropriations Subcommittee and as a member of the Labor-Health and Human Services-Education and Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations Subcommittees. In 1999, she was elected Assistant to the Democratic Leader by her colleagues, making her the second highest ranking Democratic woman in the House of Representatives. She has served as co-chair of the House Steering and Policy Committee since 2002.

Through her positions on the both Budget and Appropriations Committees, DeLauro has worked to provide funding for such things as to improve food safety, the health of the agricultural economy, and for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). C-FARE is very grateful of the continued support the Congresswoman shows regarding the importance of economic analysis in improving public policy.

C O N G R E S S M A N A D A M P U T N A M

A fifth generation Floridian, Congressman Adam H. Putnam represents the 12th Congressional District of Florida. Now in his fourth term, he is Chairman of the Republican Conference and serves on the Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises Subcommittee of the House Financial Services Committee. The House Financial Services Committee oversees the nation's financial services and housing sectors including banking, insurance, real estate, public and assisted housing, and securities.



Congressman Adam Putnam (FL-12)

Elected to Congress on November 7, 2000, Mr. Putnam is a native of Bartow, Florida and is a graduate of the University of Florida (BS, Food and Resource Economics). Prior to his election to Congress, he worked in his family's citrus and cattle business and served in the Florida House of Representatives. Putnam represented the 63rd District in the Florida House of Representatives from 1996 to 2000, serving as chairman of the Florida House's Agriculture Committee during the 1998-2000 term. Adam and his wife reside in Bartow with their four children.

C-FARE is pleased to recognize the outstanding leadership and efforts of this remarkable graduate of our profession and commend him on his continued appreciation and application of economics to his policy decisions.



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