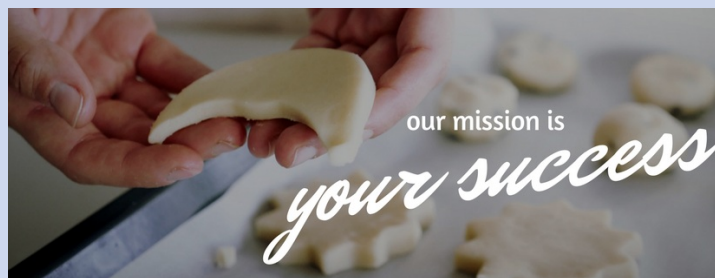




Happy Holidays to All Our Friends in the Baking Industry!

It has been a difficult year, and as we give thanks for having made it this far, we can only hope that the holidays will allow us to gather together and celebrate the blessings we do have.



News for Bakers

- **The New Jersey State Cottage Law** regulations are now in effect! Under the new regulations home bakers are allowed to produce non-perishable baked goods for sale. These include bread, rolls, biscuits, cakes, cupcakes, pastries, and cookies. All home bakers must take a food safety certification class as part of the licensing process. State Health Department regulations consider butter to be a hazardous food and for that reason cakes cannot use a buttercream icing, since it would be considered a perishable food. Anyone operating under the Cottage Law regulations must be certified in food safety, although

no kitchen inspections are required. Click on the link for the full set of regulations:

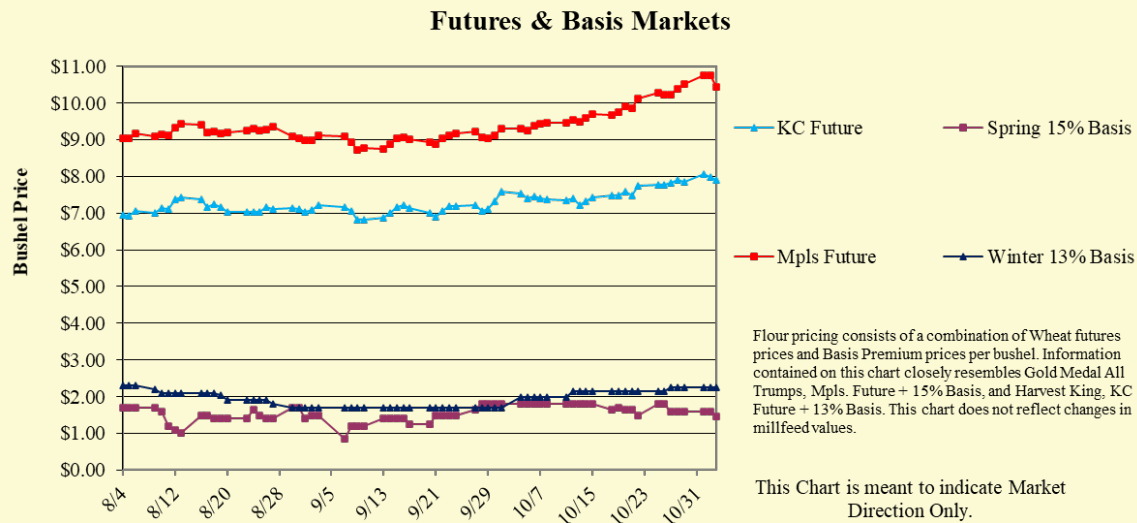
[NJ Cottage Law regulations](#)

Commodity prices continue their upward trend.

From General Mills weekly market report:

Spring wheat has shown a bit of a correction after a multi-week rally that resulted in the highest prices since 2012.

Contributing to this correction was fund selling, lower energy prices, and optimism on corn and bean yields. Wheat harvest is ramping up in South America and Australia with mixed yield results.



Oils and fats, as well as dairy also continue to trend upward according to the Agriculture Market Information System. Click on the link for the

[Commodity Price Index](#)

Artisan Bakery Expo East is now scheduled for October 16-17, 2022 in Atlantic City. It has been a long time since we have been able to gather together as baking professionals. We hope to see you in Atlantic City in fall 2022. If you are a business interested in exhibiting click on the link:

[ABEE Exhibitor Info](#)

Are you one of the Best Bakeries in New Jersey? Find out if you made the Star-Ledger's list of the best bakeries

in New Jersey.

[2021 Best Bakeries by County](#)

If you did not make the list, you may want to visit [Artisan Bakery Expo East](#) Oct 16-17 2022 for new ideas and innovations to help make you one of New Jersey's best bakeries!

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