# AGRICULTURAL CONDITIONS IN THE NINTH DISTRICT

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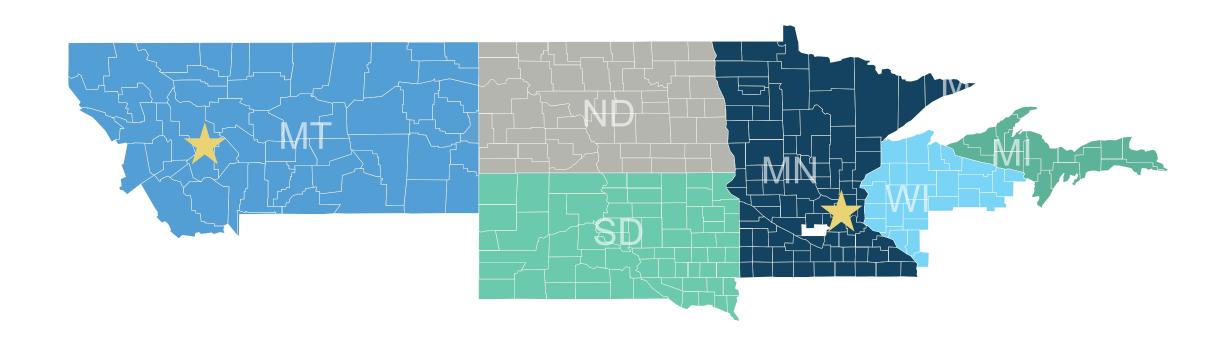
#### TODAY'S PRESENTATION

- Agriculture in the Ninth District
- Ag Credit survey, Q3 2025
  - Farm incomes fell, credit quality weakened
  - Land values up, cash rents down
  - Outlook pessimistic
- Farm Labor



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## THE FED'S NINTH DISTRICT





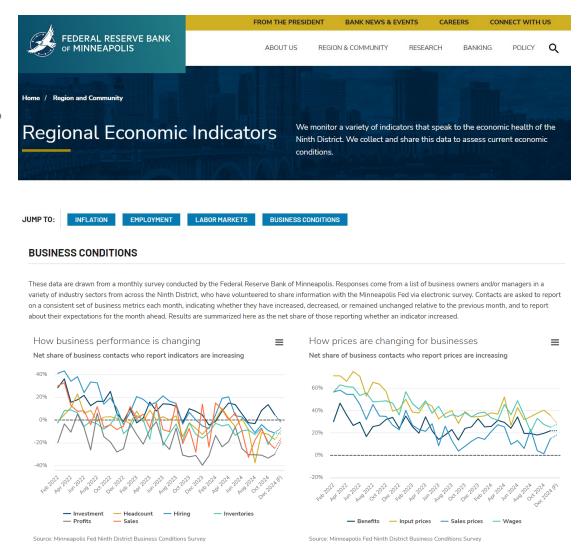
# **UPCOMING EVENT: DECEMBER 12**





# MINNEAPOLIS FED BUSINESS PULSE SURVEY

- Monthly business conditions survey, three years running
- Tracks a variety of business indicators and prices, looking one month back and forward
- Results published on minneapolisfed.org





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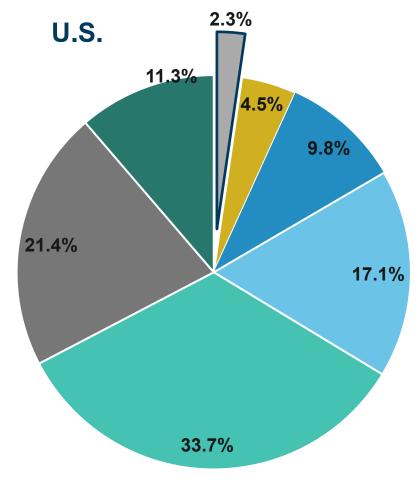
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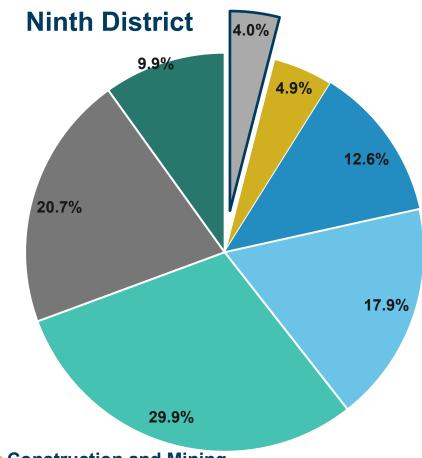
- Highly-engaged business contacts representing all industries, firm sizes, and District states.
- Panelists opt-in, recruited via multiple channels (in-person events, partner orgs, subscribers, etc.)
- << Sign-up to participate!</li>



# OUTPUT BY INDUSTRY, 2024, U.S. & NINTH DISTRICT



- **■**Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting
- Manufacturing
- Services
- Government

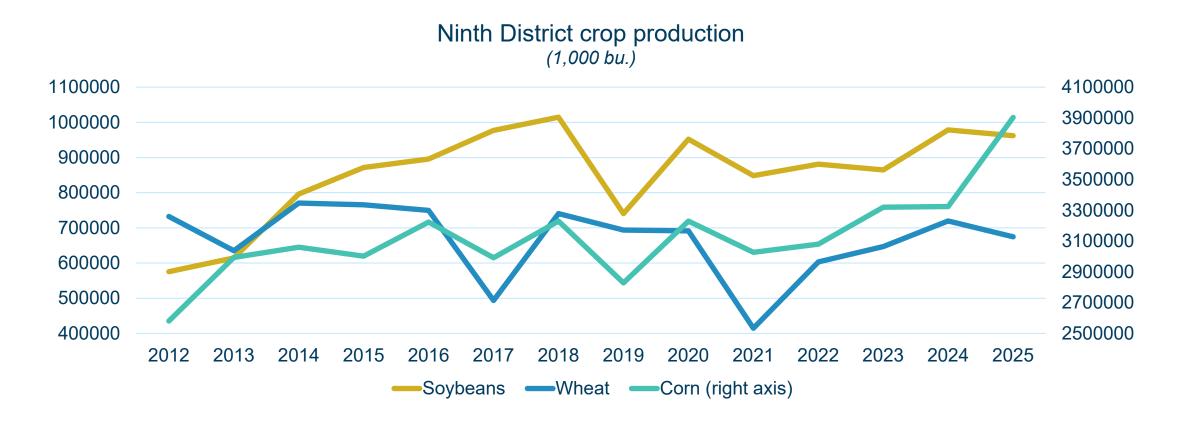


- Construction and Mining
- Trade, Transportation & Utilities
- Finance, Insurance & Real Estate



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

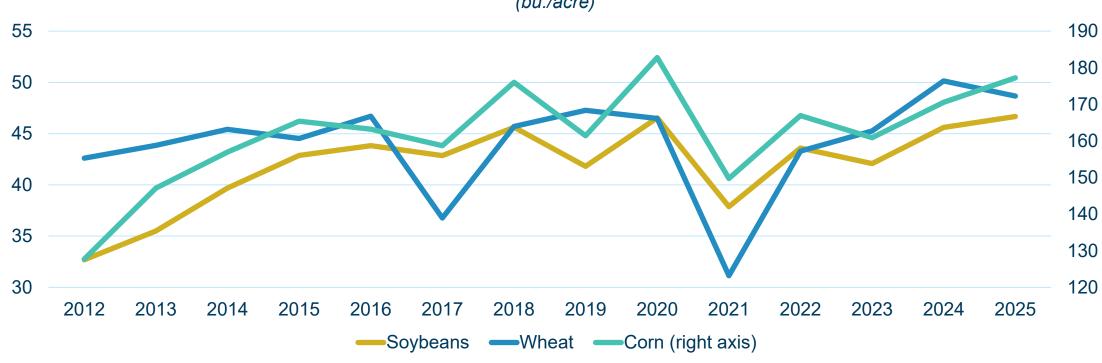
#### **VERY STRONG CROP PRODUCTION IN 2025**





#### **CROP YIELDS AT OR NEAR RECORDS**

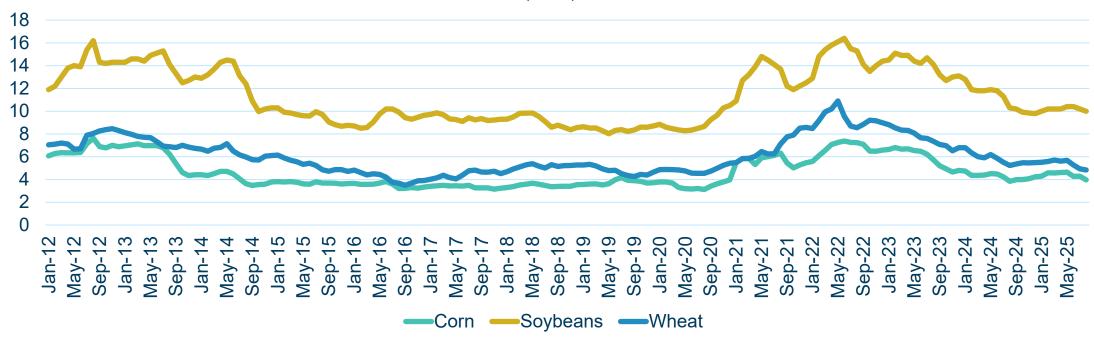






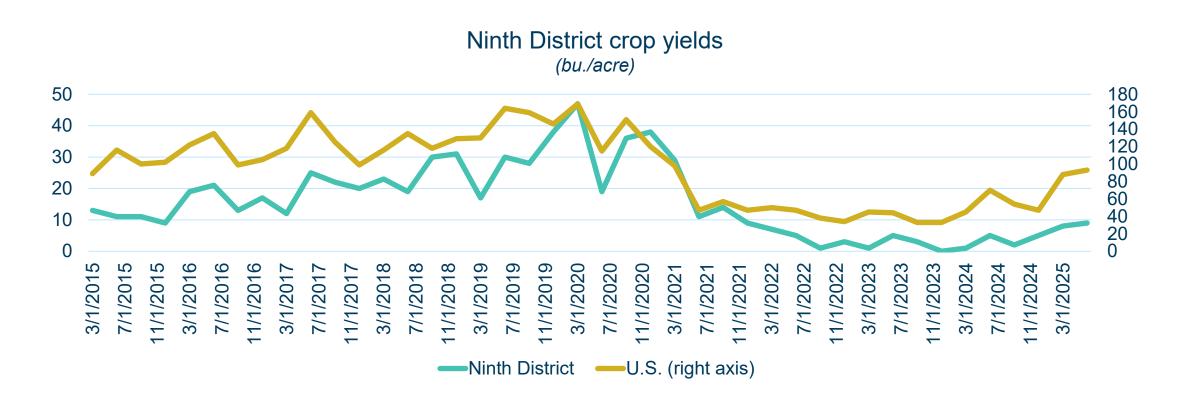
#### BUT CROP PRICES IN A PROLONGED SLUMP...







#### ...AND BANKRUPTCY FILINGS ARE TICKING UP





# SURVEY RESULTS

### AG CREDIT CONDITIONS SURVEY

## **OBSERVING AG, VIA BANKERS**

- Ninth District survey
  - Conducted quarterly (Jan., Apr., Jul., Oct.) looking backward and forward one quarter
  - Poll of member banks concentrated in ag
  - Not a random sample, but a panel of experts
  - October survey: 47 bankers



# FARM FINANCIAL CONDITIONS WORSENING AMID FALLING INCOMES

- Incomes overwhelmingly decreased from a year ago
- Capital spending also down, Household spending flat
- Interest rates declined slightly
- Loan demand up and repayment rates down
- Land values up, rents down from a year ago
- Outlook for Q4 2025 negative



# FARM INCOME

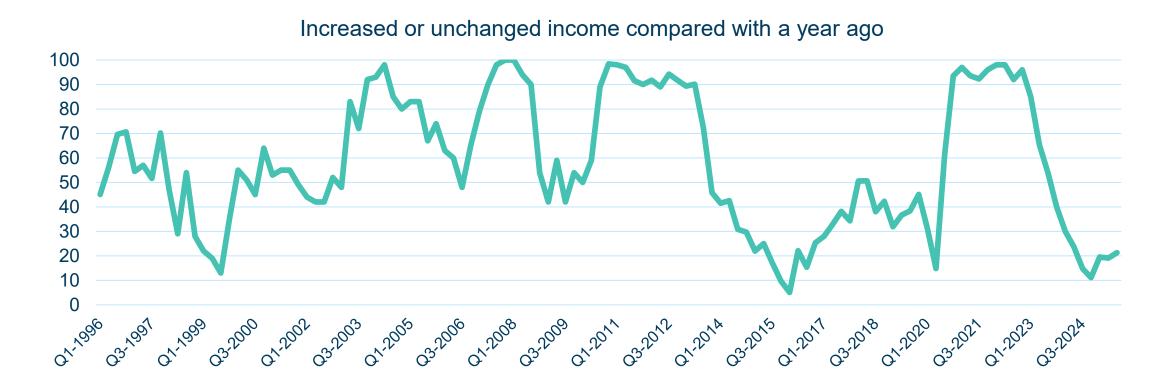
# FARM INCOME DOWN, SPENDING MIXED

	Increased	Unchanged	Decreased
Farm Income	9%	13%	79%
<b>Household spending</b>	23%	51%	26%
Capital spending	6%	23%	<b>70%</b>



# FARM INCOME

#### INCOME DOWN OVER PAST TWO YEARS





# CREDIT CONDITIONS

#### LOAN DEMAND AND RENEWALS UP, REPAYMENT RATES STEADY

	Increase	No changed	Decrease
Loan demand	43%	40%	17%
Repayment rates	2%	49%	49%
Renewals	47%	51%	2%





# LENDERS SEE FALLING INCOME, SPENDING IN Q4 2025

	Increase	No changed	Decrease
Farm Income	11%	6%	83%
<b>Household Spending</b>	23%	38%	38%
Capital Spending	11%	15%	74%





# OUTLOOK FOR INCREASED LOAN DEMAND AND RENEWALS, DECREASED REPAYMENT RATES IN Q4 2025

	Increase	No changed	Decrease
Loan demand	57%	30%	13%
Repayment rates	4%	34%	62%
Renewals	59%	39%	2%



# INTEREST RATES

#### AG INTEREST RATES TREND DOWN BUT ELEVATED



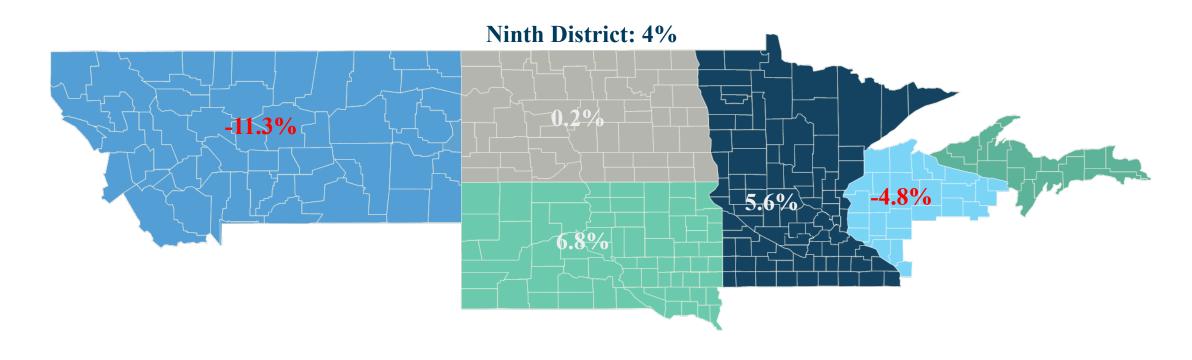




# LAND VALUES

#### LAND VALUES UP FROM LAST YEAR

AVERAGE CHANGE IN PRICE OF NONIRRIGATED FARMLAND, 2024Q3-2025Q3

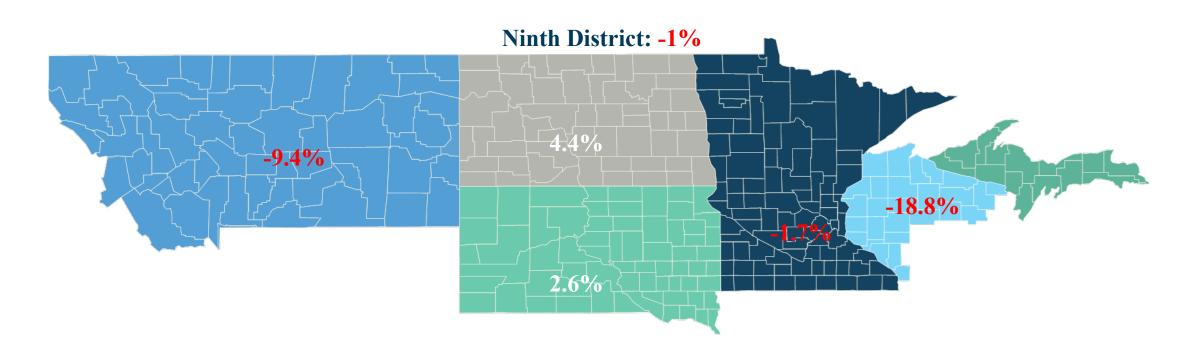




# CASH RENTS

#### **BUT CASH RENTS DECREASED**

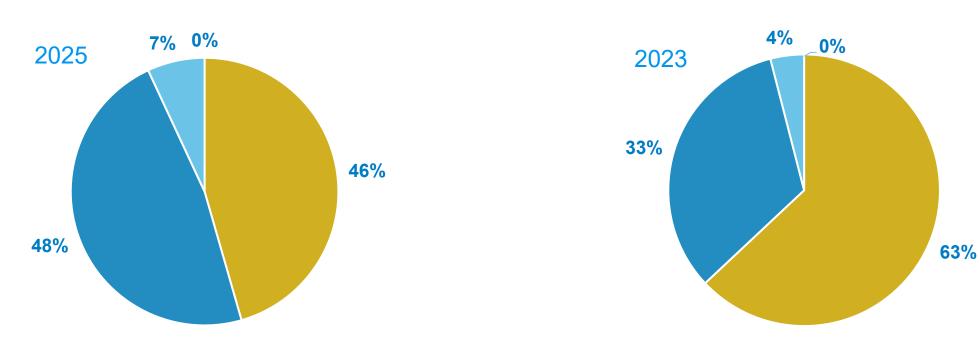
AVERAGE CHANGE IN CASH RENTS FOR NONIRRIGATED FARMLAND, 2024Q3-2025Q3





# LABOR AVAILABILITY A SERIOUS CHALLENGE

# AMONG AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS IN YOUR LENDING AREA, HOW SEVERE IS THE CHALLENGE OF SECURING ADEQUATE FARM LABOR?

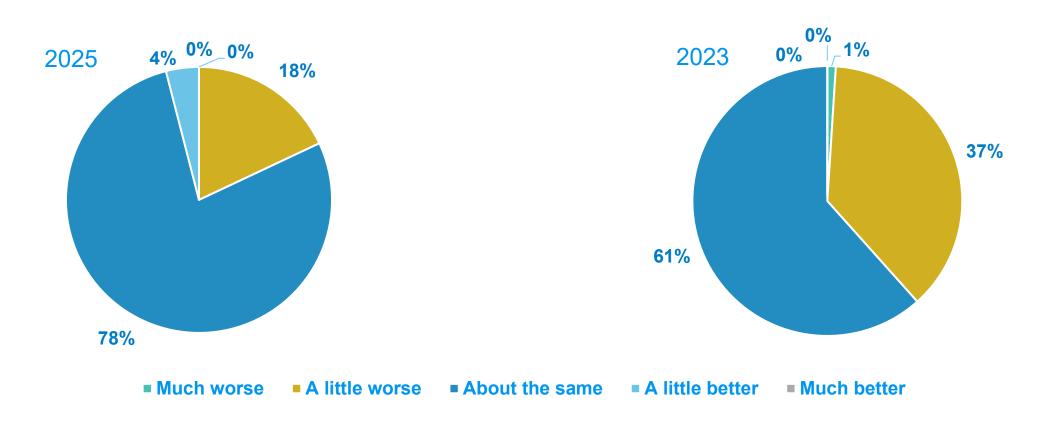


- The most important challenge facing producers A serious challenge, but not the most important
- A minor challenge Not a challenge at all



#### LABOR AVAILABILITY

# HOW WOULD YOU COMPARE THE AVAILABILITY OF FARM LABOR IN YOUR LENDING AREA THIS YEAR VS. LAST YEAR?





# THANK YOU! QUESTIONS?

SCAN TO BECOME A SOURCE:

