

# Status of the Farm Bill

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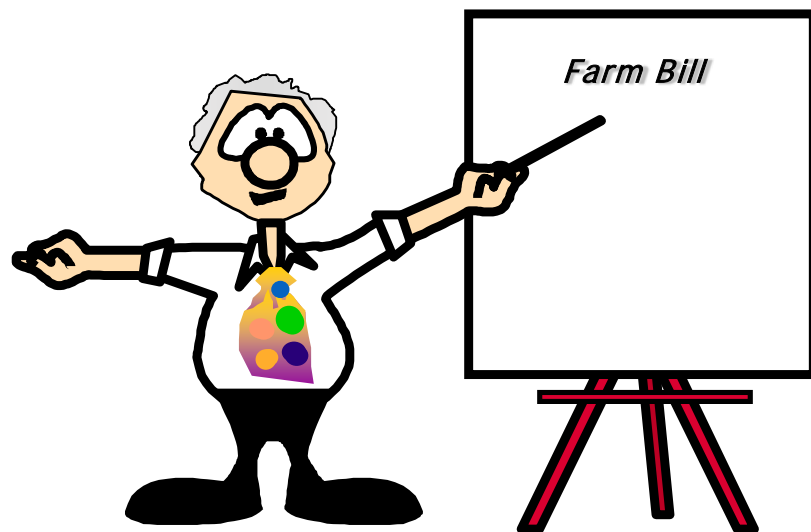
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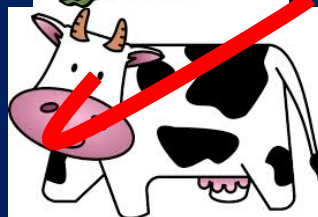
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# Presentation Outline

- My Perspective
  - 6th Farm Bill
  - Farm Level Work for the Committees
  - Need For a Farm Bill
- The 4 Principals and Key Farm Bill Issues
  - Cotton and Dairy Fix
- Other Issues That Could Impact Farm Bill





**Conservation Reserve Program**

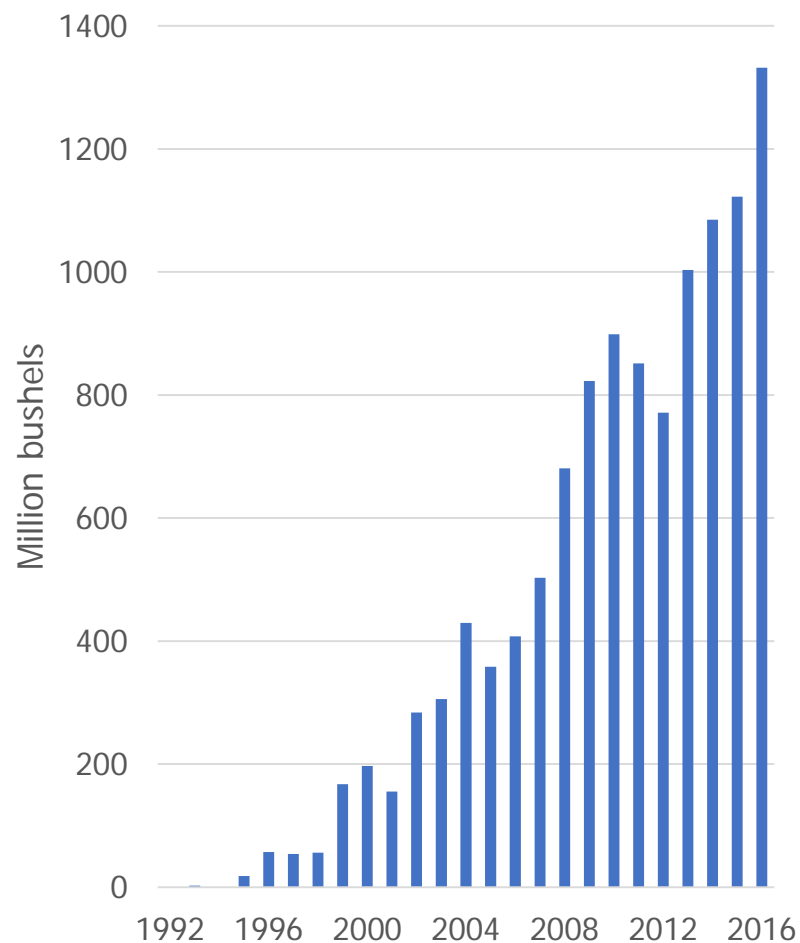


# Issues that Could Impact Timing of and/or Derail the Farm Bill This Year

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- Immigration Reform
- Welfare Reform
- Infrastructure
- Trade
  - NAFTA
  - China
  - TPP
- Primary elections and November election
  - Congressional Calendar
- Outside Groups

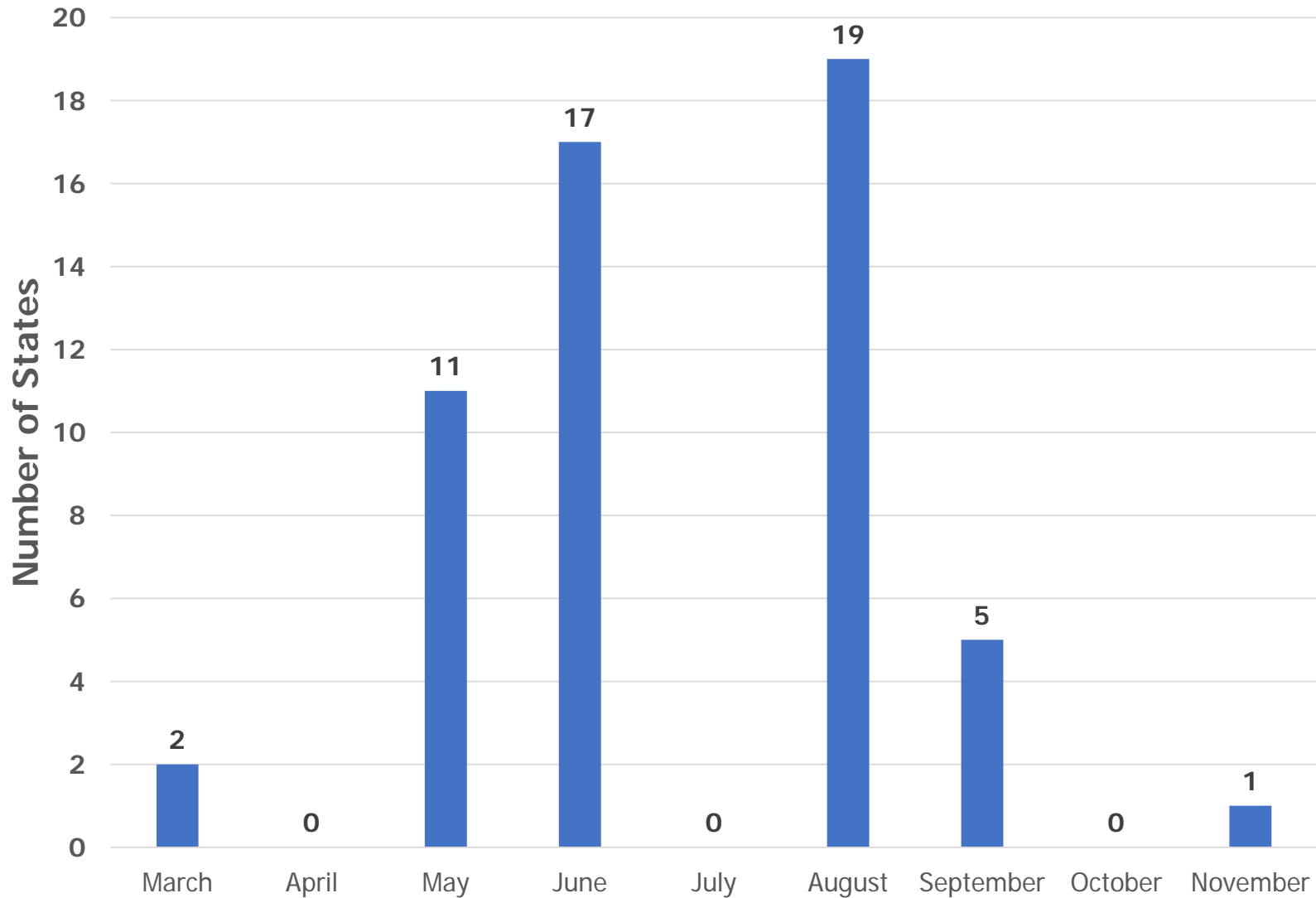
# China soybean imports from U.S.



2016/17 data	mil. bu.
U.S. soybean exports to China	1,332
U.S. soybean exports	2,174
China imports as share of total U.S. soybean exports	61%
U.S. soybean production	4,296
China imports as share of total U.S. soybean production	31%

*Source: USDA FAS GATS database and WASDE, January 2018*

# 2018 State Primary Election Dates



Texas is March 6th

# HOUSE CALENDAR

MAJORITY LEADER KEVIN McCARTHY

115<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS, SECOND SESSION

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