

Small is the New Medium: The New Food Price Equation



Six weeks ago, USDA dropped the ball by giving the most fictitious figures ever imagined concerning corn productions in the US.



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Wheat

US spread widens further before Monday report

US wheat futures continued to head in opposite directions on Friday as the market positioned...

Corn

Futures stable as cash markets wait on Wasde

The wait continues for global corn markets, as the week drew to a close ahead of a much-anticipated USDA update with little in.....

Soybean

Wasde anticipation drives futures, S. American cash firms

Futures remained firmly anchored in the green with market participants jostling for...

Veg oils

Soyoil, palm oil jump on slowing China crush

Slowing soybean Chinese soybean crush and higher import demand spooked the global vegoil...

They stated in their report that corn production in the United States was going to increase 2%. They are, of course, aware of the largest floods ever experienced on record this year, leaving the U.S with a record of most unplanted acres since 1938.



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This USDA's report crashed the futures markets.



So all eyes are focused on the agency now, especially their reports regarding wheat spreads and the corn futures; the real extent of yield that will be coming out of the fields, considering areas that were not planted; and the scrappy emergence due to the horrible growing conditions that have stunted grain production across the United States.



Acreage

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Secretary of Agriculture
Designate
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Agricultural Statistics Board
Chairperson
Joseph L. Parsons

Surely, they cannot ignore news stories conveying miserable crop production around the country, brought about by anomalous weather conditions and record floods.

Small farms that have been pulverized by hail, Taber corn crop is just one example.

'It's gut-wrenching': Summer storm pulverizes Taber corn crops



"The Taber corn crops are gone, there's nothing left for this year."

"The hail bruised the corn, so when you open it up it's pure mash on one side of it," said Molnar.

"I've never seen anything like it . . . it's next-year country now."

It would have been amazing if these could still be sold after ice was brushed off the ears. Can you imagine the hundreds and hundreds of acres of corn crushed by this type of hail? It actually broke through the ear down to the kernels. The hail had to be huge to inflict that damage.



It dislodged corn kernels even with the protective leaf covering. I guess some of the produce could be recycled by cutting kernels off for soup, etc., instead of being thrown away.



I am focusing in this area because Alberta experienced an incredible amount of early snow in 2018, and that shortened their growing season as well. Now, do you think that will happen again?

Alberta farmers race to bring in \$3B of unharvested crops; situation 'dire'

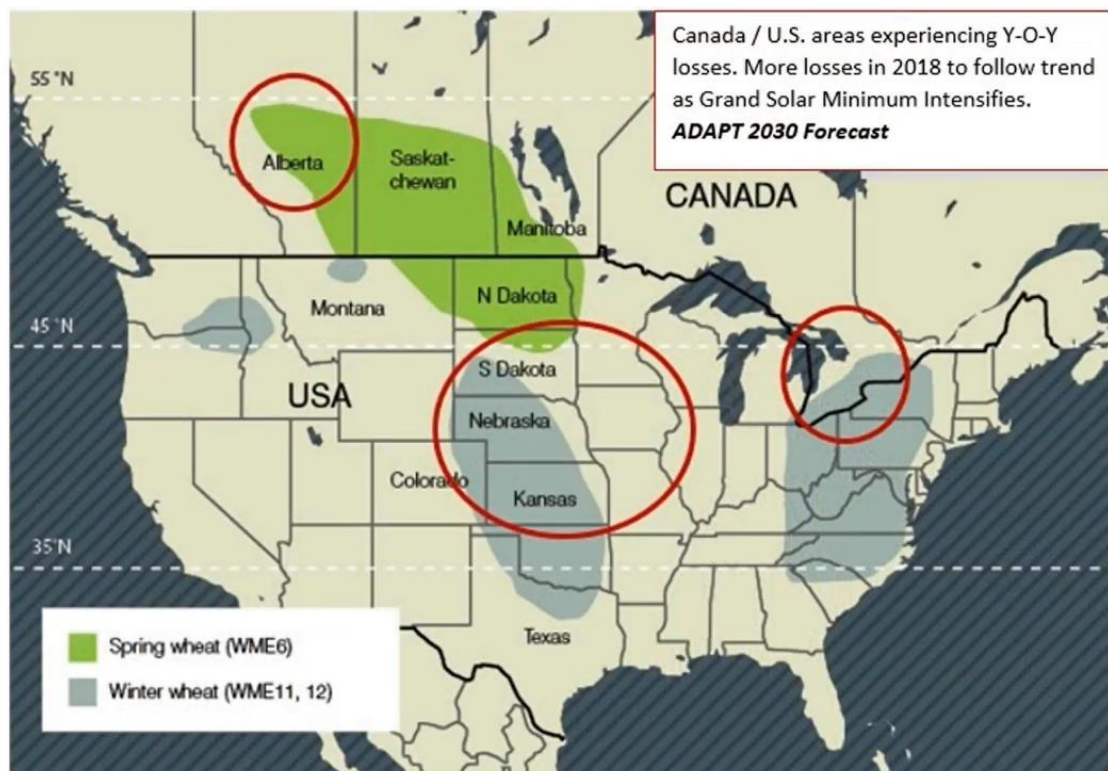
Cloudless skies and warm temperatures are bringing a measure of hope to Alberta farmers, as they race against the clock to harvest \$3 billion worth of crops still in the fields.

AMANDA STEPHENSON, CALGARY HERALD Updated: October 18, 2018





If early snows continue year after year, the areas circled in red will continue to go offline as the Grand Solar Minimum intensifies. So if you are looking at areas where crops might be lost, you should start in Alberta and observe the trend, then work the math from there by province.



In the meantime, how many times have we heard that the glaciers are melting and there will be no more glaciers left? Glaciers are different than snowpack which is deep snow that remains until it gets warm enough for it to melt. The point I am making is, there should be no snowpack in the warmest year ever. The corporate media has been very diligent in informing us to expect scorching heat this year, so I think my deduction is reasonable.



A patch of snow (circled) that remains from this past winter in Tuckerman Ravine as viewed from a webcam at Mount Washington Observatory in New Hampshire.

(Mount Washington Observatory)

How is it that snowpack still remains in New Hampshire? Although, this is an interesting fact, Tuckerman Ravine has the latest snow, generally, in the Northeast US, and this melts every year. But when they went back to the records to check if there were instances that snow remained until the first or second week of August even if it had been hot during the summer, they found out that snow did not melt from winter from August 1922 to 1958. This is one of the reasons why I said we are experiencing a weather cycle, not effects from CO₂ warming the Earth.

Snowpack Remains in New Hampshire's Tuckerman Ravine Into August



- Snowpack has lingered into early August in a small area of New Hampshire's White Mountains.
- Known as Tuckerman Ravine, it typically has the last remaining snowpack in the eastern United States each year.

Research performed at Tuckerman Ravine in the 1960s found that its final snowpack melted, on average, in the first week of August for the years spanning 1922-1958. But MWO says long winters like this past one have become less common, and that data is unavailable on what the average melt out date is now.

Because why would snow suddenly come back to the same area and survive longer after the melt season began? We were told, "Snow would be a thing of the past." Just like we are told, "It's the hottest year ever." So what is the driver that is not melting the snow? This should be a no-brainer; snows should have melted if it was so hot.

THE SUN DEFINES THE CLIMATE

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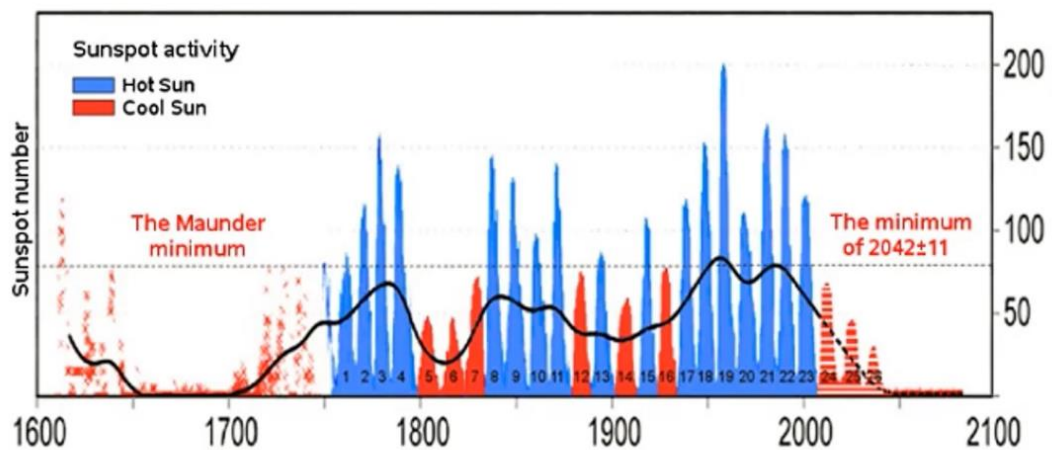


Fig. 3. Variation in the TSI drawing on the data reconstruction of Lean, J.L (2000) and Wang Y. - M., Lean J.L., Sheeley N.R. (2005) up to 1978, sunspot activity of the Sun from 1611, and changes forecast by us after 2008 (dotted lines).

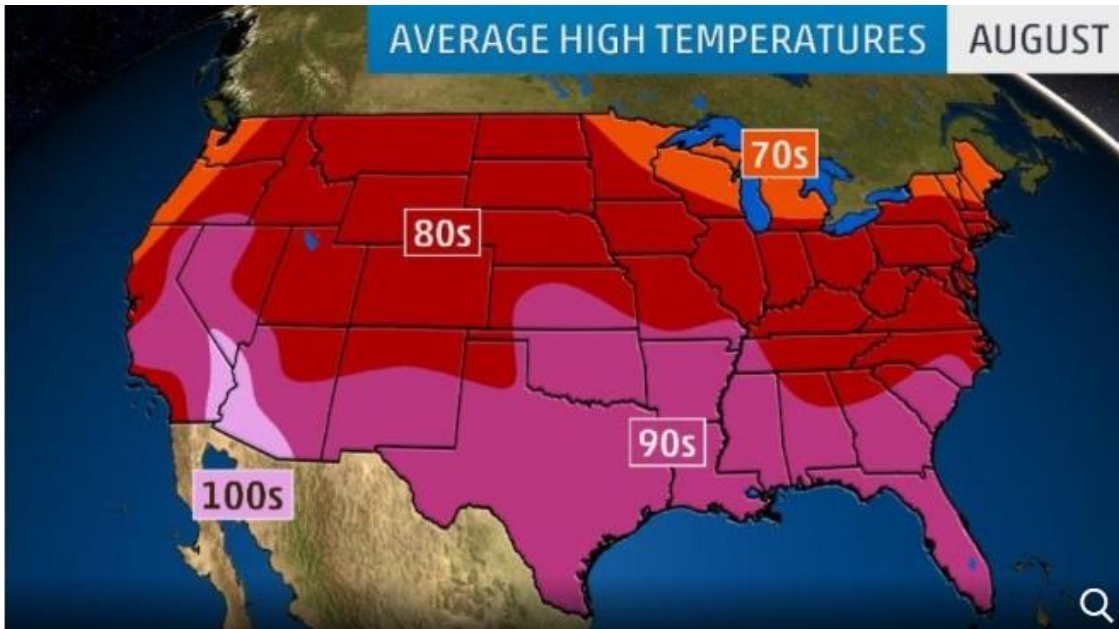
You might argue with me about this image because it does not look like there is that much snow. But as you can see, it has to be thick enough to make snowboarding possible, in the middle of August. What caused all of the extra snow?



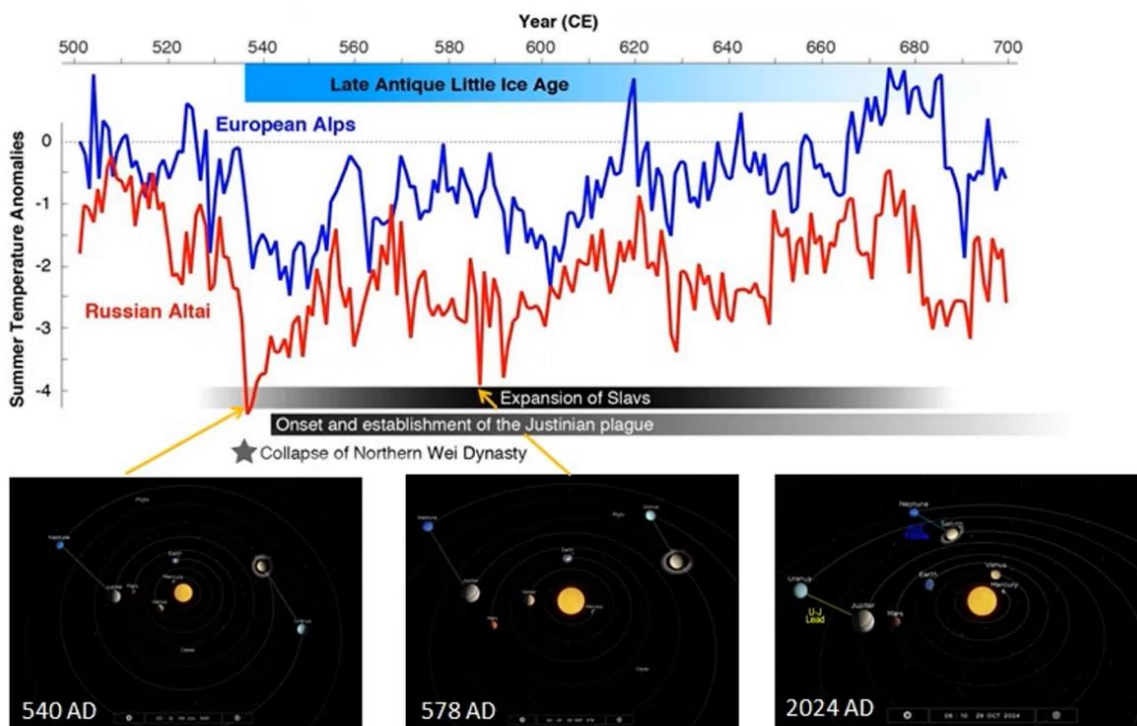
Snowboarding in Tuckerman Ravine on Aug. 3, 2019

(Justin Quinn/Per DeVore/Facebook)

Before we lose sight of what we were told, may I remind again. It has been said over and over again that this summer is the hottest. Even the Weather Channel has put out a temperature map showing that August temperatures are going to be above normal, yet there is snowpack from last year. In any case, 70+°F temperatures should be melting snow.



This is proof that something else is amplifying wind anomalies. As a matter of fact, this is another in the same spot. And one good question to ask is: Is there a possibility that the Northeast U.S will be affected by the intensification of the Grand Solar Minimum?

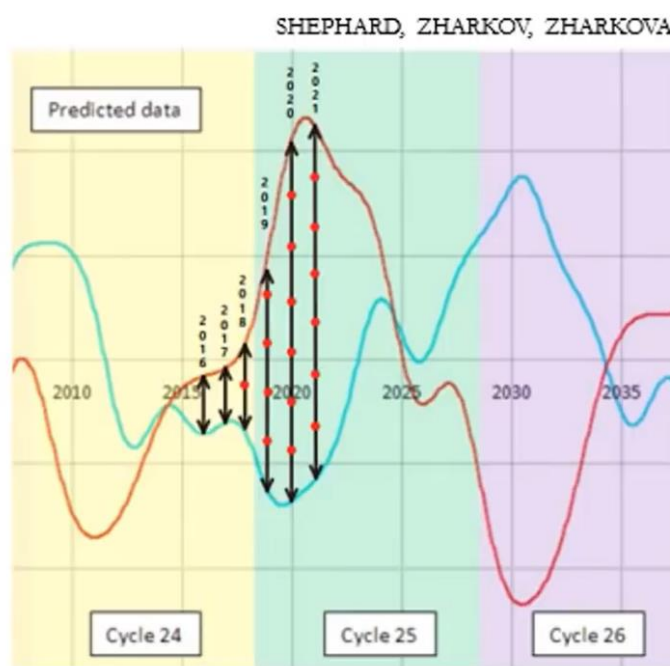


Planetary Configurations for Grand Solar Minimum of Late Antique Little Ice Age (530-600AD) and 2024 AD Landscheidt Minimum.
By David DuByne ADAPT 2030 Mini Ice Age 2015-2035 Series YouTube

Most important of all is food, if you don't eat you die. If it gets colder you can put another coat on to stay warmer. You can also heat your home if the grid stays up.

If the Sun continues through its 400-year cycle of decreased activity, we will have shorter growing seasons. These agricultural contractions are therefore not caused by CO₂ emissions.

The shift of our global weather patterns are set to amplify 2x from July-Dec 2017, and from 2018-2019 a 4x shift, with another jump up as the spread widens to 6x in 2019. (I explain this in detail on pages 38-41)



Then over to the UK, “Small is the new medium: Costa shrinks cup sizes ...” The old cup sizes are shown on top in the image below, while the new cup sizes are at the bottom. So now, instead of, “Buy 4 get 1 free.” It’s, “Buy 4 and get 3.” A quarter of your buying power has now been lessened by inflation and shrinkflation.

8 Aug 2019,

SMALL IS THE NEW MEDIUM Costa shrinks cup sizes at the same time as putting up its prices



Costa shrank the cup quantity by four liquid ounces and at the same time, increased the prices by 10 pence. This is what I meant by food price rises in shrinkflation. I am sure you can go without having coffee, but when it comes to having a piece of meat and this same equation takes place percentage- and/or price-wise, how would it affect what you can spend in the rest of the economy?

What if this extends to eggs, milk, flour, and everything you eat? Everybody eats, unlike coffee.

If this equation is applied to our basic foods when prices double, how would the economy of the planet be affected? How will that affect the greater spending economy of the planet? How will the society shift if everybody starts spending so much money on food? Walk yourself through that mind experiment.

- Bitcoin annualized volatility is high relative to gold and is an argument for why it is not as reliable a store of value compared to gold—however, as shown on the chart, gold's volatility was similarly high during the early 1970s when gold was first freely priced (gold standard abandoned).

Figure: Annualized volatility of gold and bitcoin
Since 1969



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