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Examples of stories that followed the money

From the WashingtonPost: The $950 billion farm bill in one chart

From Harvest Public Media: a look at the communities around slaughter houses
http://harvestpublicmedia.org/content/shadows-slaughter-house

From The Midwest Center for Investigative Reporting: database on farm bill lobbying interests
http://investigatemidwest.org/2014/07/14/farm-bill-lobbying-interests/

From The Midwest Center for Investigative Reporting: A behind the scenes look at crop insurance

From The Midwest Center for Investigative Reporting: Lobbyists behind the farm bill
http://investigatemidwest.org/2014/07/14/lobbyists-of-all-kinds-flock-to-farm-bill/

Government money sources;

**USDA’s Economic Research Service:** Good money data on a variety of topics including food safety, livestock, crops and food
http://www.ers.usda.gov/

... including foreign trade data for agricultural products

**USDA’s Risk Management Association:** Crop insurance, livestock insurance data
http://www.rma.usda.gov/

**Congressional Budget Office:** Budget impact and projections of Congressional bills, government programs and departments
http://www.cbo.gov/

**Data.gov:** Clearinghouse of government data - data can be old so sometimes better used as a guide to find good data and driveway to original source
data.gov

**Census tool from IRE** – good source to compare 2010 and 2000 Census data
http://census.ire.org/