Domestic and world food prices have been rising drastically over the last few years. The use of food crops for biofuel production often get the blame for this. However, there are many other factors that are causing the rise in food prices. How do these factors affect domestic food prices and the price of food in other countries?

Topics that should be covered (not limited to these topics):
- What is the historical price of corn and how much has it increased since ethanol became a popular biofuel?
- What is the breakdown of corn use?
- How will the rise in corn price affect livestock feed prices and thus food prices.
- What are the other factors that affect the increase in food prices?
- What is the ultimate source of the farming materials? i.e.: what is used to produce fertilizers and pesticides?
- How much petroleum based fuel is used by farmers.
- Taking all things into account, how much does increased grain prices due to use as biofuel feedstock contribute to the rise in food prices.
- How has the use of corn to produce ethanol affected food prices outside of the U.S.?
- Who is affected most by rise in food prices?
- Who gains from rise in food prices?
- How can these issues be mitigated by using other photosynthetic organisms, such as algae, to produce biofuels.