



# U.S. Wheat Associates

## Weekly Price Report (page 1)

June 19, 2020

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Export Region	JUL (N20)					JUL (N20)		AUG (U20)		SEP (U20)		OCT (Z20)		NOV (Z20)		DEC (Z20)		JAN (H21)		Year Ago (nearbys) \$/MT
	Percent Protein		(nearbys)	week change		FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	
	12% (Dry) Moisture Basis		FOB \$/bu	\$/bu	\$/MT	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	
Great Lakes	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)*	M	6.14	0.11	4	226	90	226	80	226	80	241	110	241	110	243	115	247	115	215
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)*	M	6.24	0.11	4	229	100	230	90	230	90	245	120	245	120	247	125	251	125	217
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)*	M	6.29	0.11	4	231	105	231	95	231	95	247	125	247	125	248	130	253	130	219
Gulf of Mexico	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)*	M	6.94	0.21	8	255	170	257	165	259	170	265	175	267	180	267	180	271	180	252
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)*	M	6.99	0.21	8	257	175	259	170	261	175	267	180	269	185	269	185	273	185	254
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)*	M	7.14	0.21	8	262	190	265	185	266	190	272	195	274	200	274	200	278	200	256
	HRW Ord	K	5.53	-0.10	-4	203	125	206	125	206	125	211	125	213	130	213	130	218	130	218
	HRW 11.0 (12.5)	K	5.63	-0.10	-4	207	135	210	135	210	135	215	135	217	140	217	140	222	140	220
	HRW 11.5 (13.1)	K	5.78	-0.10	-4	212	150	215	150	215	150	220	150	222	155	222	155	227	155	227
	HRW 12.0 (13.6)	K	5.93	-0.10	-4	218	165	221	165	221	165	226	165	228	170	228	170	233	170	234
HRW 12.5 (14.2)	K	6.08	-0.10	-4	223	180	226	180	226	180	231	180	233	185	233	185	238	185	242	
SRW	C	5.56	-0.21	-8	204	75	208	80	210	85	215	90	215	90	215	90	218	90	232	
Pacific N. West	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)*	M	6.74	0.11	4	248	150	248	140	252	150	256	150	258	155	259	160	264	160	234
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)*	M	6.74	0.11	4	248	150	248	140	252	150	256	150	258	155	259	160	264	160	234
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)*	M	6.84	0.11	4	251	160	252	150	255	160	259	160	261	165	263	170	267	170	237
	HRW Ord	K	5.93	-0.20	-7	218	165	217	155	221	165	230	175	230	175	233	185	238	185	227
	HRW 11.5 (13.1)	K	5.98	-0.20	-7	220	170	219	160	223	170	231	180	231	180	235	190	240	190	229
	HRW 12.0 (13.6)	K	6.08	-0.25	-9	223	180	223	170	226	180	235	190	235	190	239	200	244	200	238
	HRW 13.0 (14.8)	K	6.48	-0.40	-15	238	220	237	210	241	220	250	230	250	230	253	240	258	240	256
	SW 9.5 (10.8) Min	\$	6.13	-0.37	-14	225	6.13	220	5.98	222	6.03	223	6.08	225	6.13	227	6.18	227	6.18	N/A
	SW 10.5 (11.9) Max	\$	6.10	-0.20	-7	224	6.10	219	5.95	220	6.00	222	6.05	224	6.10	226	6.15	226	6.15	233
	SW 9.5 (10.8) Max	\$	6.25	-0.20	-7	230	6.25	224	6.10	226	6.15	228	6.20	230	6.25	231	6.30	231	6.30	233
WW with 10% Club	\$	6.40	-0.20	-7	235	6.40	230	6.25	231	6.30	233	6.35	235	6.40	237	6.45	237	6.45	234	
WW with 20% Club	\$	6.65	-0.20	-7	244	6.65	239	6.50	241	6.55	243	6.60	244	6.65	246	6.70	246	6.70	236	

**Durum:** a range of prices are available depending upon various quality attributes and logistics.

Northern Durum offers from the Lakes range from \$7.21 to \$7.89/bu (\$265 to \$290/MT), and offers from Gulf ports range from \$8.16 to \$8.71/bu (\$300 to \$320/MT). For Desert Durum offers, contact your supplier.

**\*Hard Red Spring:** HRS price indications in this report are for a 65% DHV content out of the PNW and a 40% DHV content out of the Gulf; for specific NS/DNS DHV premium spreads, contact your supplier.

### Futures Settlements as of

June 19, 2020

Grey positions not quoted on specific exchange

	JUL (N20)	JUL (N20)	week change	AUG (Q20)	week change	SEP (U20)	week change	NOV (X20)	week change	DEC (Z20)	week change	JAN (F21)	week change	MAR (H21)	week change	MAY (K21)	week change
	\$/MT	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu
Chicago BOT SRW	176.83	4.8125	(0.2075)			4.8525	(0.2250)			4.9425	(0.2250)			5.0375	(0.2250)	5.0975	(0.2025)
Kansas City BOT HRW	157.35	4.2825	(0.2025)			4.3625	(0.2075)			4.4975	(0.1975)			4.6325	(0.1875)	4.7075	(0.1850)
Minneapolis MGE NS/DNS	192.63	5.2425	0.1100			5.3500	0.0975			5.4600	0.0750			5.5725	0.0625	5.6475	0.0500
Chicago BOT Corn	130.90	3.3250	0.0250			3.3725	0.0275			3.4525	0.0225			3.5675	0.0200	3.6300	0.0175
Chicago BOT Soybeans	322.05	8.7650	0.0525	8.7600	0.0350	8.7525	0.0200	8.8075	0.0100			8.8425	0.0200	8.7950	0.0200	8.7850	0.0125

**Legend:** M = Minneapolis Grain Exchange; K = Kansas City Board of Trade; C = Chicago Board of Trade;

\$ = cash price quote; N/A = quote not available; closed = Great Lakes are closed to vessels for winter; ¢/bu = cents per bushel;

Futures Contract Month: H = March; K = May; N = July; U = September; Z = December

NS/DNS=Northern Spring/Dark Northern Spring (subclasses of Hard Red Spring); HRW=Hard Red Winter; SRW=Soft Red Winter; SW=Soft White; WW=Western White (White Club & Soft White)

F.O.B. = "Free on board" - Seller is responsible for placing grain at the end of the loading spout. Buyer is responsible for providing the ocean vessel and for all other costs after the grain is delivered on board.

Basis: The difference between the cash price and futures month for specific quality, shipping period and geographical location.

**Cash:** Durum, SW and WW are quoted in dollars per bushel (\$/bu.) rather than basis for each contract month.

**Convert:** To compute cash price, add basis level and current futures to get price per bushel. Multiply by 36.743 to get price per metric ton.

Example: Basis = 70 and Future Price = \$9.00, the price per bushel is \$9.00 + .70 = \$9.70/bu. Price per metric ton is \$9.70 \* 36.743 = \$356/MT.

All prices are based upon U.S. number two grade or better as certified by the Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS).



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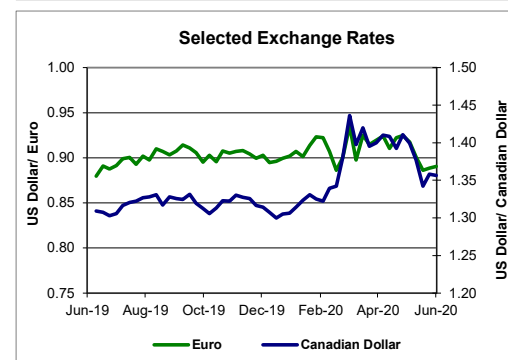
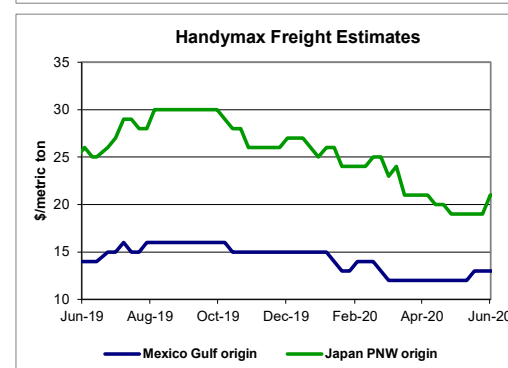
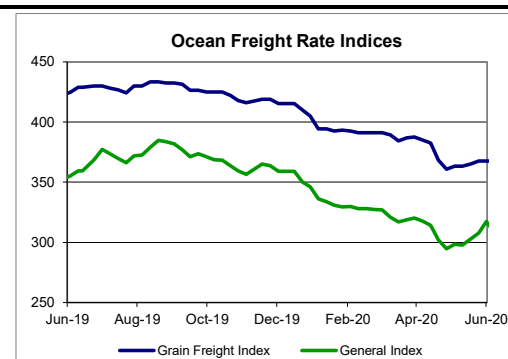
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Ocean Freight Rate Estimates by Origin*		U.S. dollars/metric ton			Freight Index**	General Index	Grain Freight Index	Number of Fixtures
Export Region	Import Region	Handy 25-30 TMT	Handymax 40-46 TMT	Panamax 54+ TMT				
US Gulf	Mexico (Veracruz)	16	13		6/19/2020	317.4	367.6	472
	W. South America (Peru/Ecu)	28			6/12/2020	307.9	367.6	506
	S. South America (Chile)	26			6/5/2020	302.7	365.1	419
	N. South America (Colombia)	19	15		5/29/2020	297.9	363.3	397
	E. South America (Brazil)	14			5/22/2020	298.6	363.3	443
	West Africa (Nigeria)	58			5/15/2020	294.7	360.8	537
	East Mediterranean (Italy)	39			5/8/2020	302.1	368.4	346
	West Mediterranean (Morocco)	35			5/1/2020	314.0	382.5	362
	Persian Gulf (Iraq)				4/24/2020	317.6	385.0	511
	Middle East (Egypt)				4/17/2020	320.1	387.5	457
Mid Atlantic	Japan		39	38	4/10/2020	318.9	386.8	360
	N. South America (Venezuela)	16			4/3/2020	316.9	384.2	538
	West Africa (Nigeria)	58			3/27/2020	320.8	389.3	552
St. Lawrence	Middle East (Egypt)			56	3/20/2020	327.1	391.0	510
	N. South America (Venezuela)	9			3/13/2020	327.2	391.0	579
Great Lakes	Europe/Rotterdam			8	3/6/2020	329.0	391.0	590
	East Mediterranean (Italy)	42			2/21/2020	329.8	392.7	479
	West Mediterranean (Spain)	40			2/14/2020	329.3	393.4	536
	Europe/Rotterdam	41			2/7/2020	330.9	392.7	486
PNW	West Mediterranean (Morocco)	42			1/31/2020	333.9	394.4	418
	W. South America (Peru/Ecu)	26			1/24/2020	336.4	394.4	571
	S. South America (Chile)	30			1/17/2020	346.2	405.0	588
	N. South America (Colombia)	29			1/10/2020	350.1	410.1	580
	Persian Gulf (Iraq)			48	1/3/2020	358.9	415.4	537
	Middle East (Egypt)			25	12/20/2019	358.9	415.4	537
	East Africa (Djibouti/Mombasa)		43	41	12/13/2019	363.8	418.8	604
	South Asia (Mal/Indon/Phil/Sing)		37	29	12/6/2019	365.2	418.8	491
	Taiwan		21	20	11/22/2019	356.5	416.2	612
	South Korea		19	18	11/15/2019	359.4	417.9	525
Japan		21	20	11/8/2019	363.8	422.0	541	

Sources: \*Trade representatives and recent shipments, \*\*Maritime Research, Inc., \*\*\*Nominal Major Currencies, Federal Reserve Board

### Summary of Foreign Currency Exchange Rates (versus \$1 U.S.)

Week Ending	Index***	Argentina	Australia	Brazil	Canada	Egypt	EU	Japan	Russia
6/19/20	N/A	69.79	1.450	5.344	1.356	16.13	0.890	106.9	69.35
6/12/20	120.0	69.37	1.457	5.051	1.358	16.13	0.889	107.3	69.57
6/5/20	119.1	68.84	1.435	4.959	1.342	16.23	0.886	109.6	68.58
5/29/20	121.3	68.39	1.500	5.336	1.377	15.79	0.901	107.8	70.14
6/20/19	114.8	43.28	1.445	3.839	1.319	16.64	0.886	107.3	62.84
6/20/15	105.45	9.052	1.287	3.068	1.224	7.606	0.881	122.9	53.97
1 year change	N/A	61.26%	0.39%	39.22%	2.84%	-3.06%	0.54%	-0.37%	10.36%
5 year change	N/A	671.03%	12.72%	74.19%	10.78%	112.08%	1.04%	-13.03%	28.50%



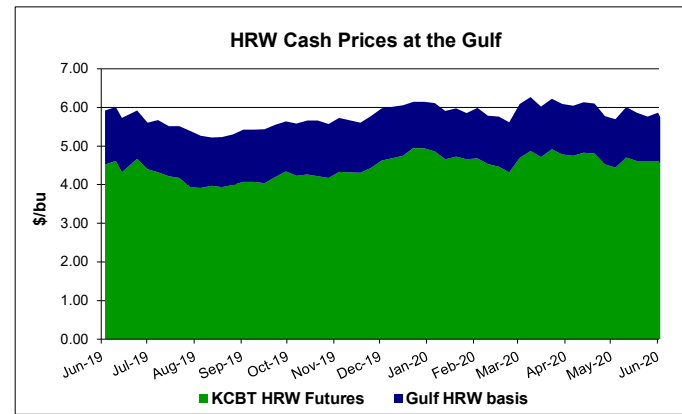
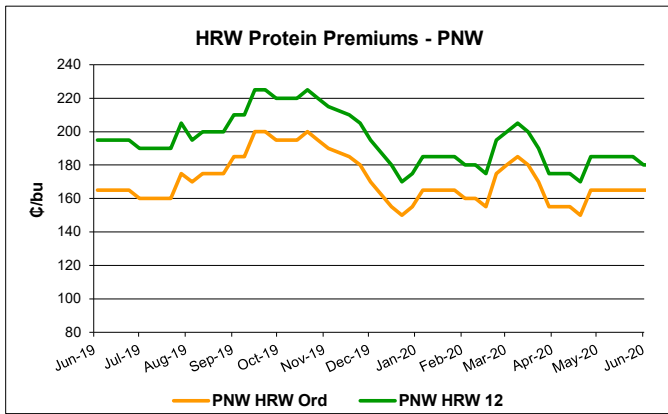
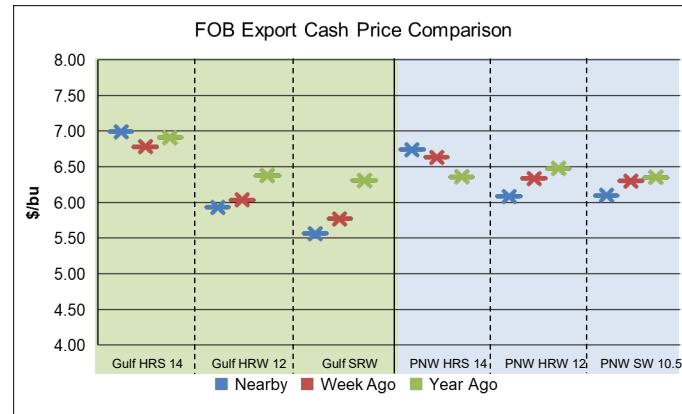
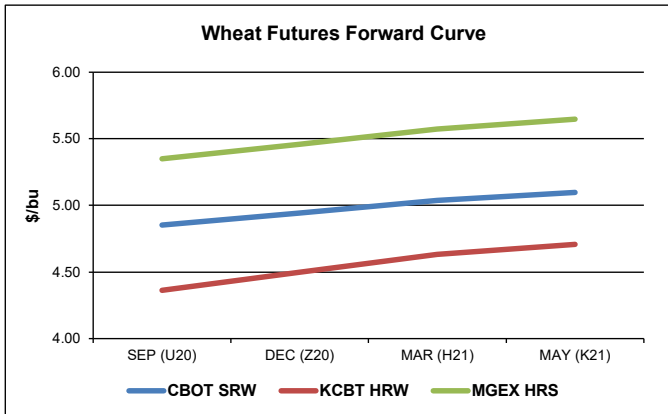
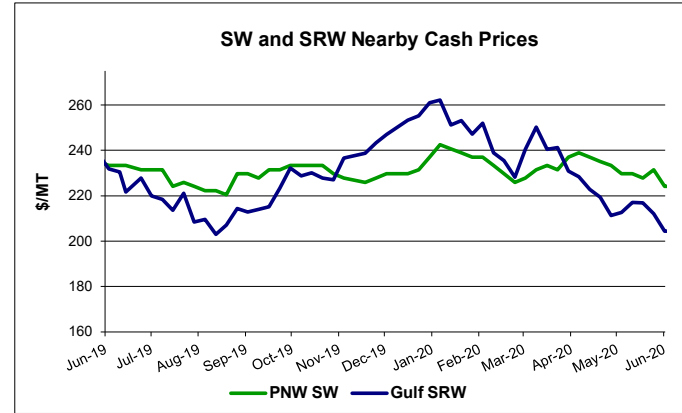
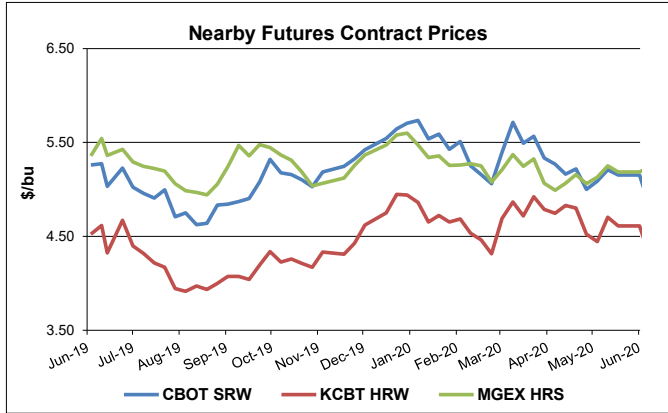
The weekly prices as reported by U.S. Wheat Associates are compiled through research from numerous market sources, including U.S. wheat exporters of all classes from various U.S. ports. The prices reported are representative of the value of number two grade and the proteins indicated. **They are not intended to represent offers nor should importers of U.S. wheat rely upon them as such. Additional factors may alter these prices significantly.**

These factors may include: (1) payment terms (differing from cash against documents which are the terms used in the U.S. Wheat Associates price report); (2) various quality factors, and method of quality certification; (3) loading terms (USW prices represent Free on Board and do not include loading rate guarantees, stevedoring costs or other elevator tariff charges); (4) different delivery periods than indicated in monthly prices reported by U. S. Wheat Associates.

U.S. Wheat Associates recommends regular contact with exporters of U.S. wheat in order to receive offers representative of your requirements.

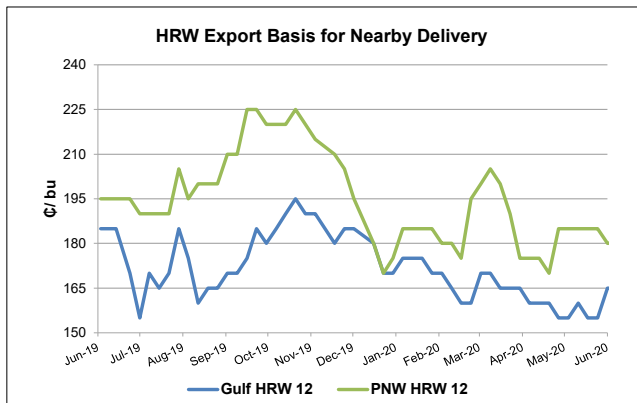
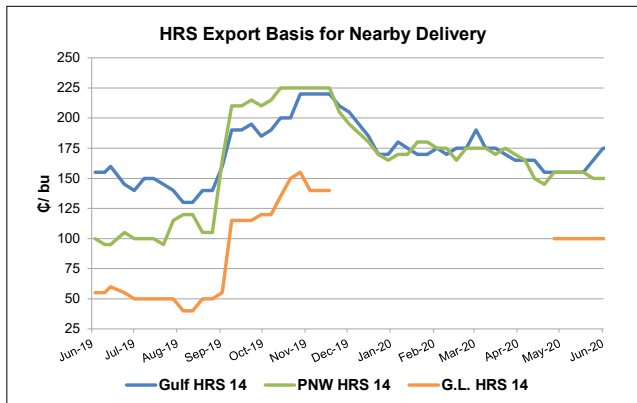
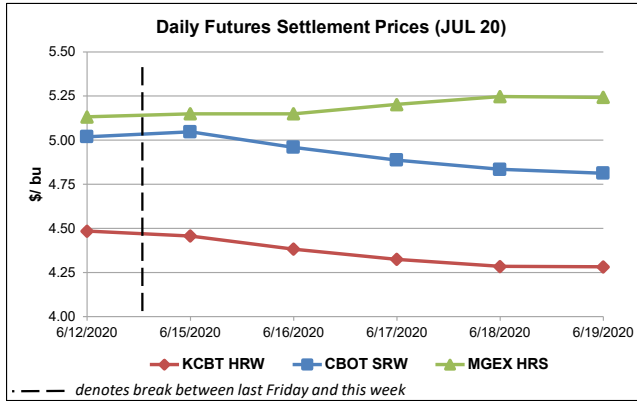
This contact will allow importers to review contract terms and better understand the U.S. grading system, role and function of the Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS).

Contact: For questions, please contact Claire Hutchins at (703) 650-0244 or [chutchins@uswheat.org](mailto:chutchins@uswheat.org).





Highlights



- This week, harvest progress pressured soft red winter (SRW) and hard red winter (HRW) futures prices while concerns of increasing dryness in North Dakota and southern Canada (see below) supported hard red spring (HRS) futures prices. CBOT SRW futures fell 21 cents to close at \$4.81/bu. KCBT HRW futures lost 21 cents to end at \$4.28/bu. MGE HRS futures gained 11 cents to close at \$5.24/bu. CBOT corn futures added 2 cents to end at \$3.32/bu. CBOT soybean futures gained 5 cents to close at \$8.76/bu.
- Minimal elevation capacity in the Center Gulf due to increased export demand for corn, soybeans and sorghum supported Gulf SRW, HRW and HRS export basis for July and August deliveries. Pacific Northwest (PNW) HRW and HRS export basis are unchanged on the week, but PNW HRW protein premiums narrowed from last week. PNW soft white wheat (SW) export prices fell for nearby and deferred deliveries on reduced export demand.
- Total U.S. winter wheat ratings fell slightly from last week to 50% good to excellent on persistent dryness across the Southern Plains (see below). Total crop ratings in Kansas remained the same at 42% good to excellent. Nebraska crop ratings fell significantly from last week's 66% good to excellent to 43% this week. In Colorado, winter wheat rated as good to excellent fell slightly from last week to 31% good to excellent.
- The new crop U.S. HRW harvest is in full swing from Texas to central Kansas and the SRW harvest is well underway from Alabama to Virginia. According to USDA, as of June 15, 15% of the country's total winter wheat area is harvested. Click [here](#) to read more about the 2020 U.S. wheat harvest.
- Total U.S. spring wheat ratings fell slightly from last week to 81% good to excellent on worsening dryness across the Northern Plains. Total crop ratings in North Dakota fell from 84% good to excellent last week to 78% this week. Minnesota crop ratings increased 5 points from last week to 88% good to excellent this week. In South Dakota, spring wheat rated as good to excellent increased 6 points from last week to 70%.
- This week's commercial sales of 505,000 metric tons (MT) for delivery in 2020/21, through June 11, were up 87% from last week's 270,000 MT and above trade expectations of 250,000 MT to 500,000 MT. Year-to-date commercial sales for delivery in 2020/21 total 6.33 million metric tons (MMT), in line with last year. USDA expects all 2020/21 U.S. wheat exports will total 25.9 MMT down 2% from 2019/20, if realized.
- Hot, dry weather increased drought stress across the western Great Plains. Abnormal dryness spread in western South Dakota, western Nebraska, central Kansas and western Oklahoma. In the Northern Plains, abnormal dryness spread in eastern Montana, western South Dakota and central North Dakota. Moderate drought spread in central Minnesota. Looking ahead, moderate to heavy showers are expected across parts of the Southern Plains which could delay the winter wheat harvest in some areas. Beneficial precipitation is forecast to alleviate dryness across North and South Dakota.
- According to the Canadian Drought Monitor, as of May 31, abnormal dryness and moderate drought persist in spring wheat producing areas in southeastern Saskatchewan. Looking ahead, DTN predicts beneficial precipitation will help emerging crops in Alberta and Saskatchewan. USDA expects total Canadian wheat production will reach 34.0 MMT in 2020/21, up 5% from last year and 10% more than the 5-year average.
- Argentinian wheat planting for the 2020/21 season jumped from last week to 58% complete, 11 points ahead of the 5-year average. The Buenos Aires Grain Exchange cut Argentina's total wheat planted area estimate by 2% to 6.7 million hectares (16.5 million acres) on abnormally dry weather in the country's northern regions. If realized, total wheat planted area would still surpass last year by 2%.
- On June 17, Germany's association of farm cooperatives reduced the country's total wheat production forecast to 22.2 MMT, down 4% from last year, if realized, on persistent spring dryness.
- Russia's Ministry of Agriculture announced it would not impose grain export quotas for the first half of marketing year 2020/21, but that it plans to implement quotas from January to June 2021. The extent of these grain export quotas for the second half of the marketing year is unknown.
- The Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics (ABARES) increased the country's 2020/21 wheat production estimate to 26.1 MMT, 13% more than the 10-year average, if realized, as beneficial moisture through the planting season pulled the country out of a three-year drought. ABARES forecasts total Australian wheat exports will reach 16.5 MMT in 2020/21, up 79% on year, if realized.
- The Baltic Dry Index (BDI), an assessment of the average cost to ship raw materials like grains, coal and iron ore, jumped 65% on the week to end at 1,527, the highest since early December 2019.
- The U.S. Dollar Index increased from last week's 97.31 to close at 97.62.