

# Weekly Price Report January 08, 2021

## U.S. Wheat FOB & Export Basis Estimates

Export Region	Class & Percent Protein 12% (Dry) Moisture Basis		JAN (H21)				JAN (H21)		FEB (H21)		MAR (H21)		APR (K21)		MAY (K21)		JUN (N21)		JUL (N21)	
			(nearbys)	week change		1 year ago	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis	FOB	Basis
			FOB \$/bu	\$/bu	\$/MT	\$/MT	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu	\$/MT	¢/bu
Great Lakes	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)*	M	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)*	M	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)*	M	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Gulf of Mexico	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)*	M	8.21	0.38	14	265	302	215	302	215	293	190	292	180	292	180	293	180	293	180
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)*	M	8.26	0.38	14	269	304	220	304	220	294	195	294	185	294	185	295	185	295	185
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)*	M	8.36	0.38	14	273	307	230	307	230	298	205	298	195	298	195	299	195	299	195
	HRW Ord	K	7.57	0.28	10	222	278	160	278	160	276	155	276	150	276	150	277	150	277	150
	HRW 11.0 (12.5)	K	7.57	0.28	10	226	278	160	278	160	276	155	276	150	276	150	277	150	277	150
	HRW 11.5 (13.1)	K	7.62	0.28	10	233	280	165	280	165	278	160	278	155	278	155	279	155	279	155
	HRW 12.0 (13.6)	K	7.72	0.28	10	241	284	175	284	175	282	170	281	165	281	165	282	165	282	165
	HRW 12.5 (14.2)	K	7.82	0.28	10	248	287	185	287	185	285	180	285	175	285	175	286	175	286	175
SRW	W	7.71	0.33	12	253	283	130	283	130	280	120	280	120	280	120	269	100	269	100	
Pacific N.West	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)*	M	8.06	0.38	14	265	296	200	289	180	285	170	285	160	283	155	284	155	284	155
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)*	M	8.11	0.38	14	267	298	205	291	185	287	175	287	165	285	160	286	160	286	160
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)*	M	8.26	0.38	14	275	304	220	296	200	293	190	292	180	290	175	292	175	292	175
	HRW Ord	K	8.07	0.28	10	231	296	210	293	200	289	190	291	190	291	190	292	190	292	190
	HRW 11.5 (13.1)	K	8.07	0.28	10	233	296	210	293	200	289	190	291	190	291	190	292	190	292	190
	HRW 12.0 (13.6)	K	8.17	0.28	10	241	300	220	296	210	293	200	294	200	294	200	295	200	295	200
	HRW 13.0 (14.8)	K	8.37	0.28	10	259	307	240	304	230	300	220	302	220	302	220	303	220	303	220
	SW Unspecified	\$	7.45	0.00	0	230	274	745	270	735	266	725	257	700	257	700	255	695	255	695
	SW 9.5 (10.8) Min	\$	7.50	0.00	0	231	276	750	272	740	268	730	259	705	259	705	257	700	257	700
	SW 10.5 (11.9) Max	\$	7.45	0.00	0	230	274	745	270	735	266	725	257	700	257	700	255	695	255	695
	SW 9.5 (10.8) Max	\$	7.50	0.00	0	233	276	750	272	740	268	730	259	705	259	705	257	700	257	700
	WW with 10% Club	\$	7.55	0.00	0	241	277	755	274	745	270	735	261	710	261	710	259	705	259	705
WW with 20% Club	\$	7.60	0.00	0	250	279	760	276	750	272	740	263	715	263	715	261	710	261	710	

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

**Northern Durum** offers from the Great Lakes for April/May 2021 delivery are quoted at \$8.03/bu (\$295/MT). For **Desert Durum** offers, contact your supplier.

**Hard White:** a range of prices are available depending upon various quality attributes and logistics

\***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 Exchange Settlements

Exchange & Commodity	MAR (H21)			MAY (K21)		JUL (N21)		AUG (Q21)		SEP (U21)		NOV (X21)		DEC (Z21)		JAN (F22)	
	close	wk chng		close	wk chng	close	wk chng	close	wk chng	close	wk chng	close	wk chng	close	wk chng	close	wk chng
	\$/MT	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu
Chicago BOT SRW	235.44	6.4075	0.3250	6.4200	0.3275	6.3250	0.2875			6.3450	0.2775			6.4225	0.2850		
Kansas City BOT HRW	219.27	5.9675	0.2750	6.0075	0.2725	6.0375	0.2800			6.0825	0.2750			6.1600	0.2825		
Minneapolis MGE NS/DNS	222.76	6.0625	0.3775	6.1525	0.3800	6.1850	0.3400			6.2175	0.2925			6.2825	0.2650		
Chicago BOT Corn	195.76	4.9725	0.5975	4.9875	0.5950	4.9625	0.5650			4.5625	0.3325			4.4125	0.2275		
Chicago BOT Soybeans	505.59	13.7600	1.5200	13.7250	1.4875	13.5875	1.3950	13.1350	1.2250	12.2050	0.9400	11.6425	0.8300			11.6150	0.8300

**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.

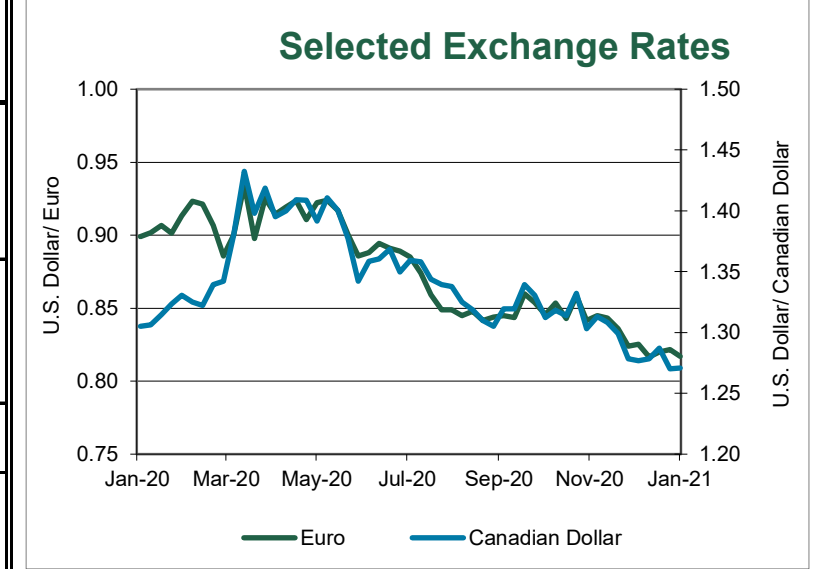
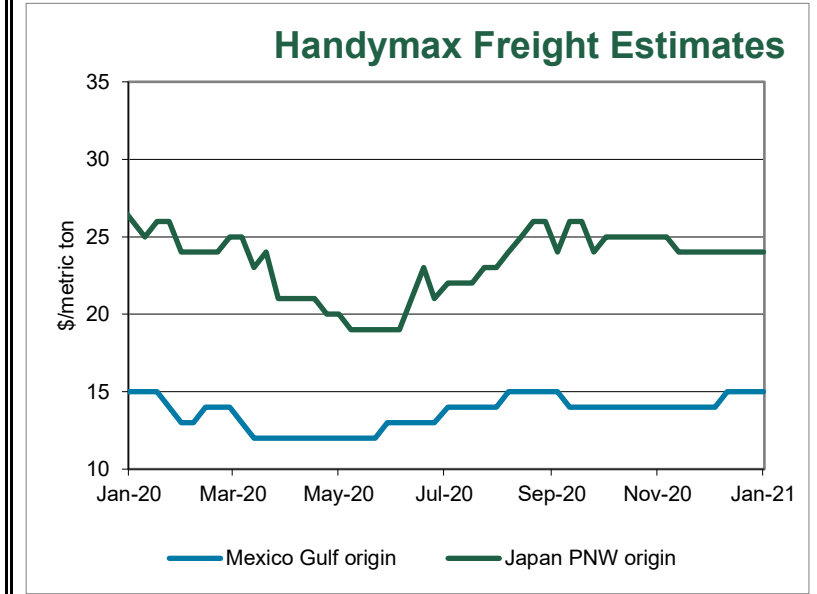
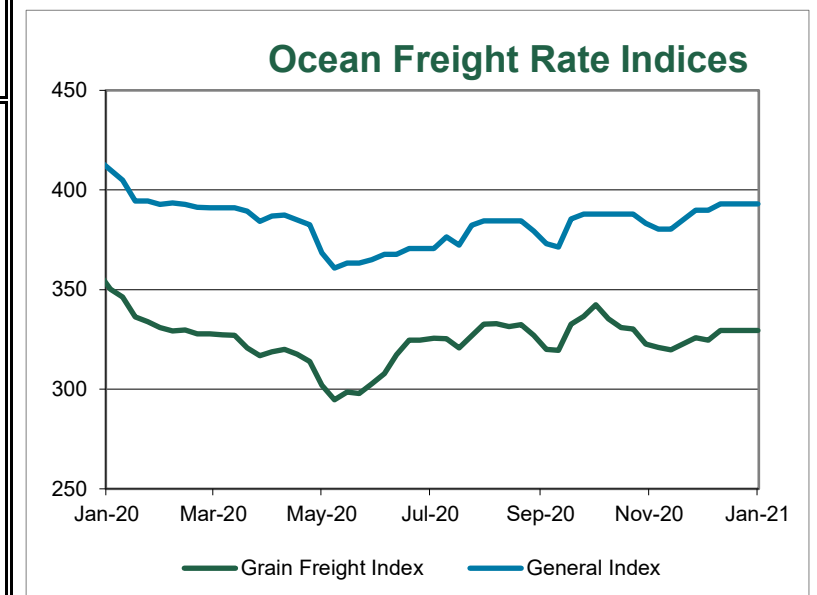
**Cash:** Durum, SW and WW are quoted in dollars per bushel (\$/bu.) rather than basis for each contract month.

**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).**

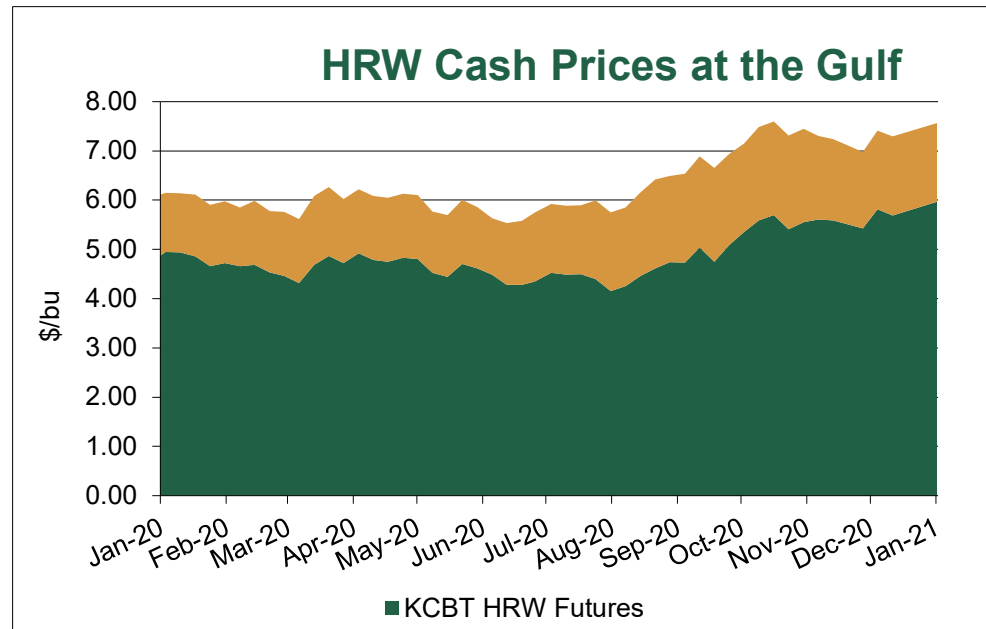
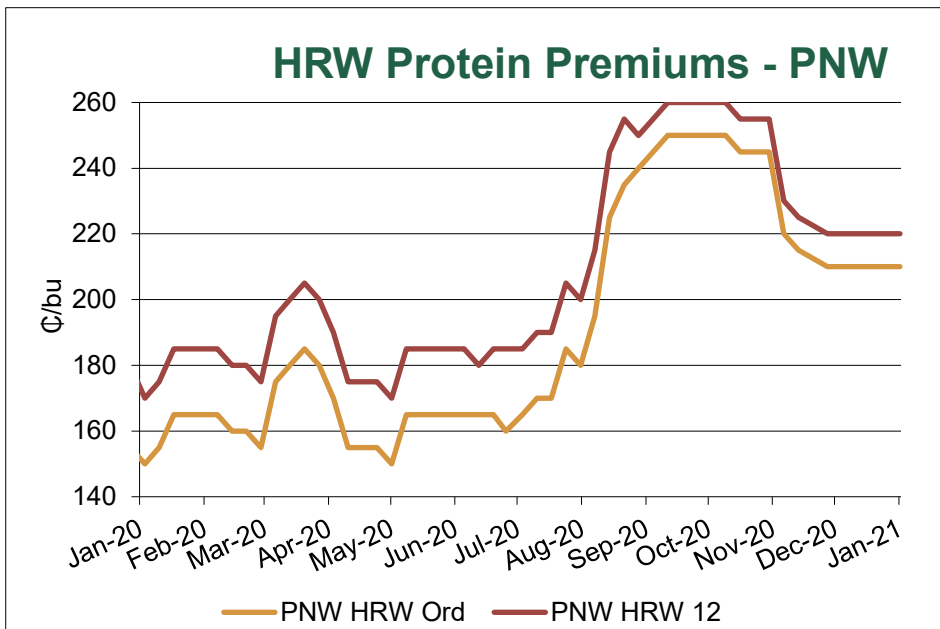
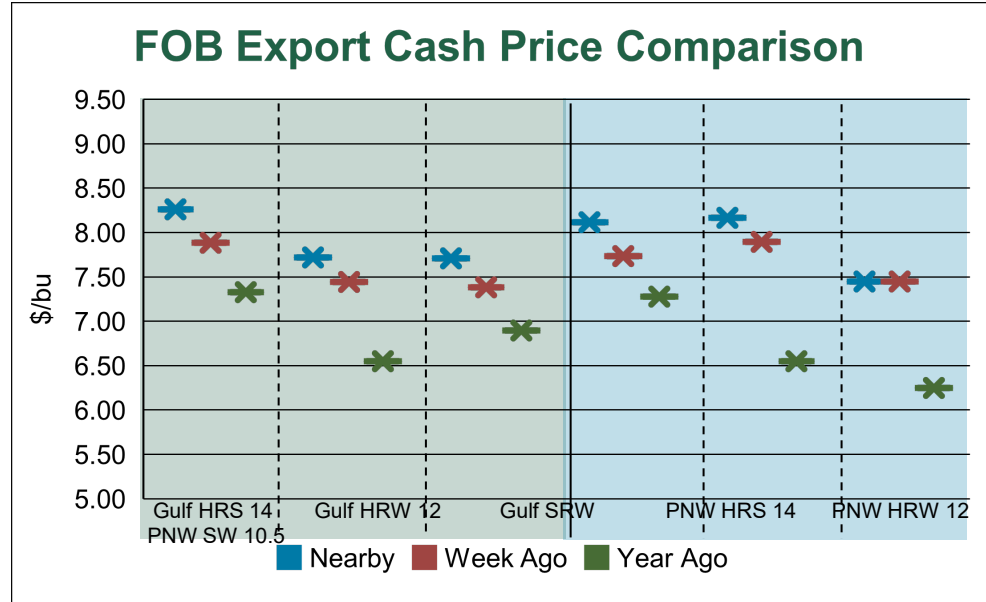
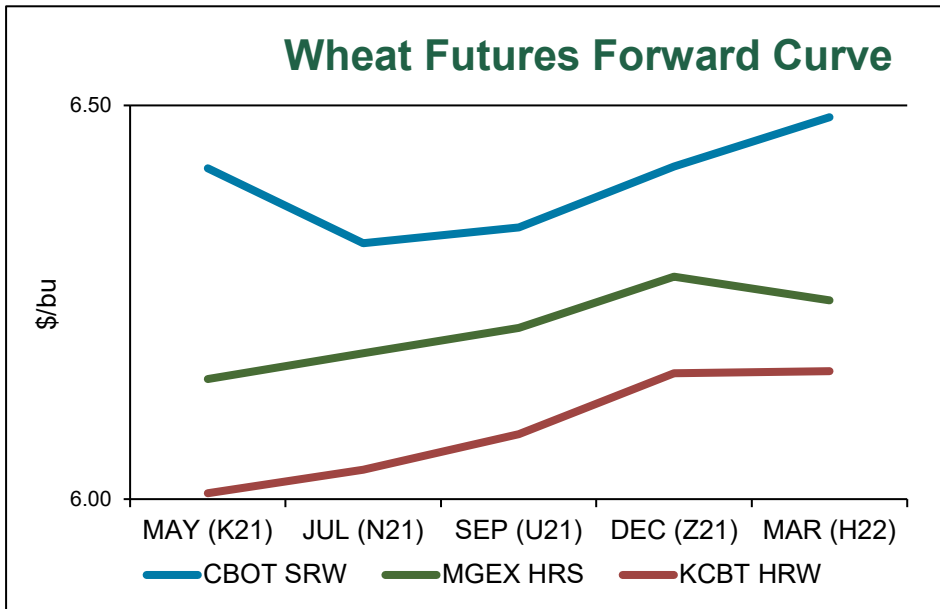
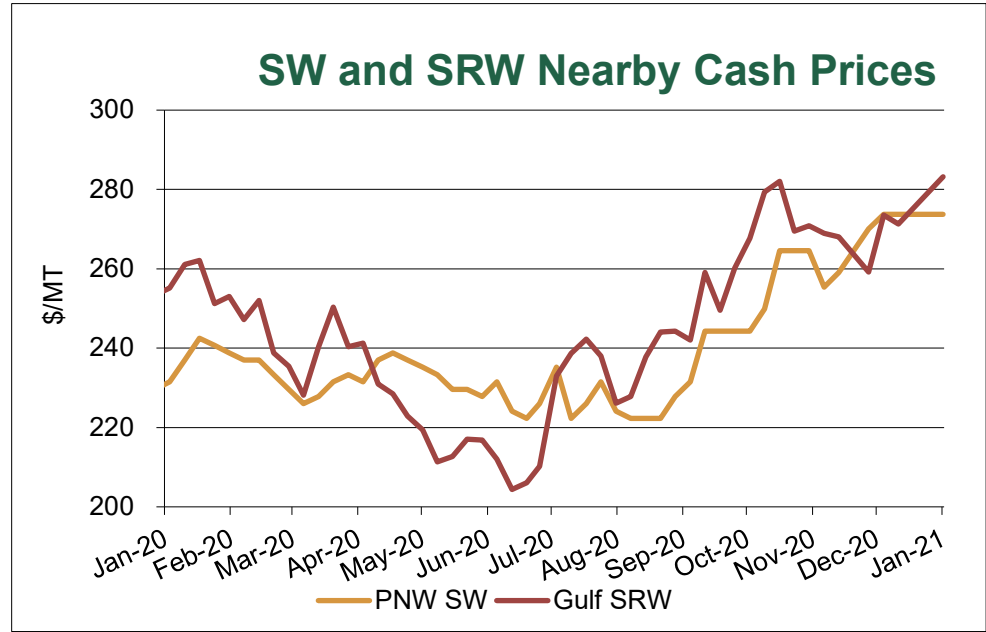
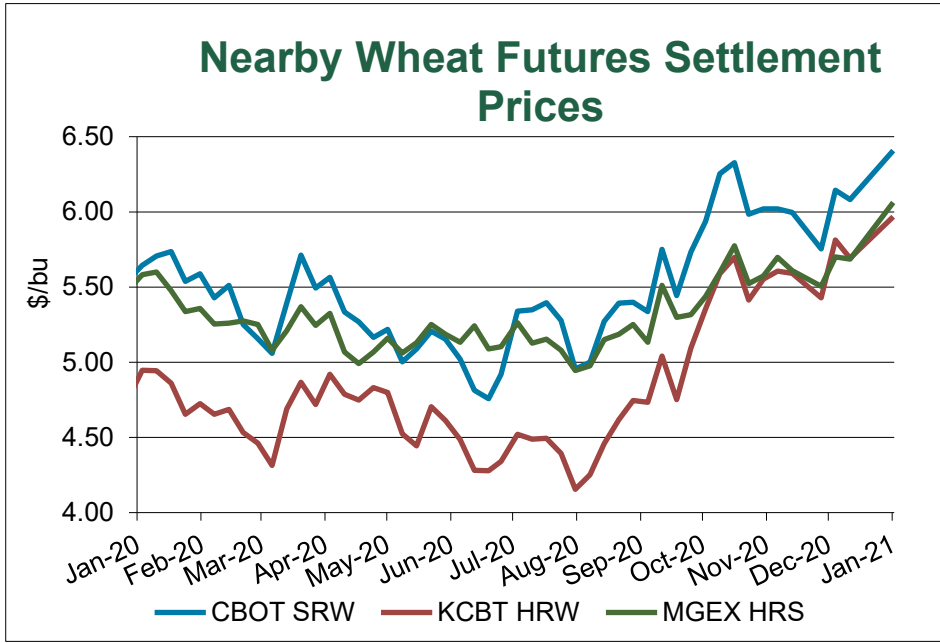
Ocean Freight Rate Estimates for Nearby Delivery			U.S. dollars/metric ton			Freight Index**	General Index	Grain Freight Index	Number of Fixtures
Export Region	Import Region	Handy 25-30 TMT	Handymax 40-46 TMT	Panamax 54+ TMT	Week Ending				
U.S. Gulf	Mexico (Veracruz)	18	15		1/8/2021	329.4	392.9	491	
U.S. Gulf	W. South America (Peru/Ecu)			16	12/18/2020	329.4	392.9	491	
U.S. Gulf	S. South America (Chile)			20	12/11/2020	324.7	389.9	546	
U.S. Gulf	N. South America (Colombia)	20	16	13	12/4/2020	325.9	389.9	499	
U.S. Gulf	E. South America (Brazil)		22		11/20/2020	319.8	380.4	504	
U.S. Gulf	West Africa (Nigeria)	29			11/13/2020	321.0	380.4	470	
U.S. Gulf	East Mediterranean (Italy)	41			11/6/2020	322.7	383.2	440	
U.S. Gulf	West Mediterranean (Morocco)	40			10/30/2020	330.1	387.9	422	
U.S. Gulf	Persian Gulf (Iraq)			67	10/23/2020	330.9	387.9	500	
U.S. Gulf	Middle East (Egypt)			28	10/16/2020	335.4	387.9	467	
U.S. Gulf	Japan		44	42	10/9/2020	342.4	387.9	452	
Mid Atlantic	N. South America (Venezuela)	16			10/2/2020	336.6	387.9	405	
Mid Atlantic	West Africa (Nigeria)	29			9/25/2020	332.7	385.4	458	
Mid Atlantic	Middle East (Egypt)			27	9/18/2020	319.6	371.3	413	
St. Lawrence	N. South America (Venezuela)	19			9/11/2020	320.0	373.0	445	
St. Lawrence	Europe/Rotterdam			17	9/4/2020	327.0	379.3	404	
Great Lakes	East Mediterranean (Italy)	Closed			8/28/2020	332.3	384.6	469	
Great Lakes	West Mediterranean (Spain)	Closed			8/21/2020	331.5	384.6	433	
Great Lakes	Europe/Rotterdam	Closed			8/14/2020	332.8	384.6	435	
Great Lakes	West Mediterranean (Morocco)	Closed			8/7/2020	332.6	384.6	434	
PNW	W. South America (Peru/Ecu)	26			7/31/2020	326.8	382.3	404	
PNW	S. South America (Chile)	30			7/24/2020	320.8	372.2	537	
PNW	N. South America (Colombia)	30			7/17/2020	325.3	376.4	456	
PNW	Persian Gulf (Iraq)			54	7/10/2020	325.6	370.7	410	
PNW	Middle East (Egypt)			29	7/2/2020	324.5	370.7	434	
PNW	East Africa (Djibouti/Mombasa)		43	41	6/26/2020	324.5	370.7	434	
PNW	South Asia (Mal/Indon/Phil/Sing)			24	6/19/2020	317.4	367.6	478	
PNW	Taiwan		25	25	6/12/2020	307.9	367.6	506	
PNW	South Korea		24	24	6/5/2020	302.7	365.1	419	
PNW	Japan		24	24	5/29/2020	297.9	363.3	397	



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

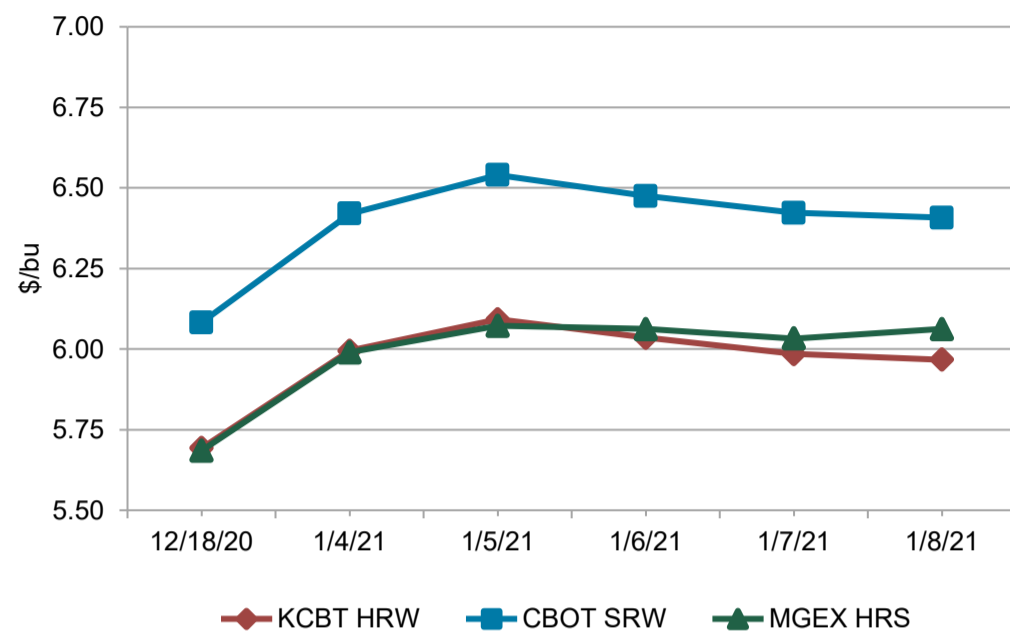
Summary of Foreign Currency Exchange Rates (versus \$1 U.S.)									
Week Ending	Index***	Argentina	Australia	Brazil	Canada	Egypt	EU	Japan	Russia
1/8/21	N/A	85.11	1.287	5.388	1.271	15.67	0.817	104.0	74.11
1/1/21	N/A	85.05	1.301	5.192	1.270	15.82	0.822	103.2	73.91
12/25/20	N/A	82.69	1.313	5.215	1.287	15.54	0.820	103.3	74.03
12/18/20	111.9	82.82	1.313	5.089	1.278	15.68	0.817	103.3	73.33
1/9/20	115.3	45.17	1.458	4.091	1.306	15.96	0.900	109.5	61.27
1/9/16	N/A	13.747	1.437	4.023	1.417	7.660	0.915	117.2	74.80
1 year change	N/A	88.41%	-11.76%	31.71%	-2.67%	-1.81%	-9.25%	-5.08%	20.95%
5 year change	N/A	519.08%	-10.50%	33.93%	-10.32%	104.64%	-10.71%	-11.30%	-0.92%

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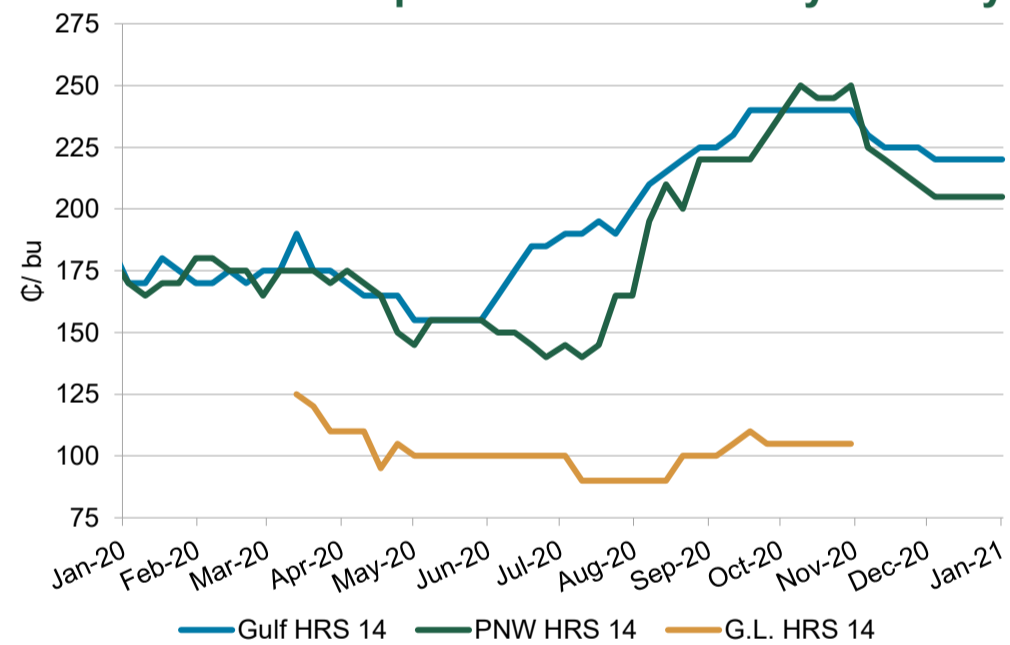


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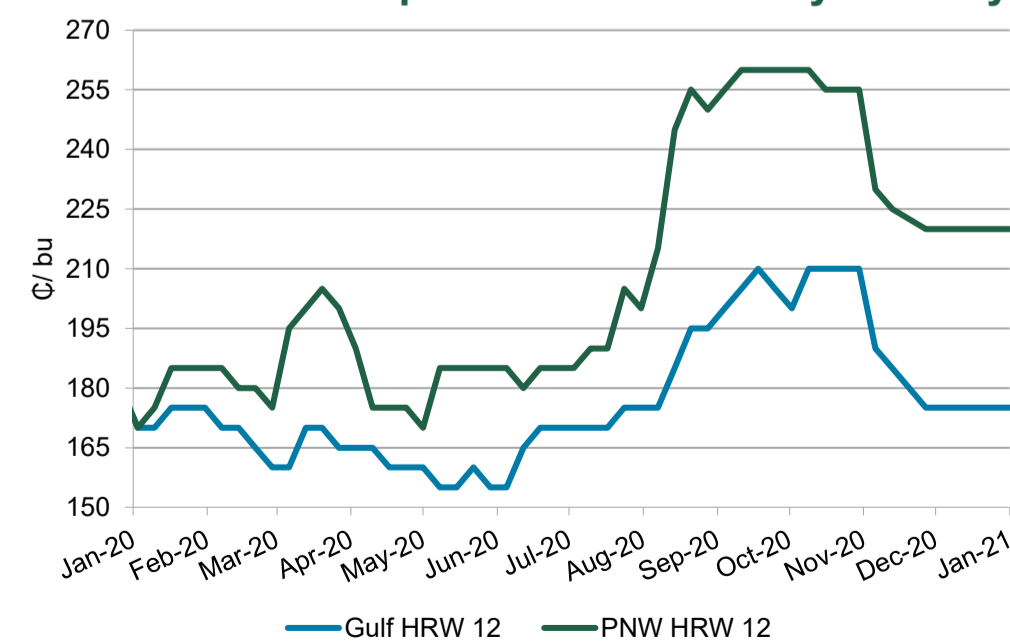
**Daily Futures Settlement Prices (MAR 21)**



**HRS Export Basis for Nearby Delivery**



**HRW Export Basis for Nearby Delivery**



- Since our last Price Report on Dec. 18, 2020, all wheat futures jumped considerably. CBOT soft red winter (SRW) futures gained 20 cents to close at \$6.38/bu. KCBT hard red winter (HRW) futures gained 24 cents to end at \$5.93/bu. MGE hard red spring (HRS) futures gained 39 cents to close at \$6.07/bu. CBOT corn futures gained 60 cents to end at \$4.97/bu. CBOT March soybean futures jumped \$1.43 to close at \$13.76/bu.
- Broad farmer selling following significant momentum in the futures market pressured Gulf and Pacific Northwest (PNW) export basis for nearby delivery.
- This week's U.S. wheat commercial sales of 275,000 metric tons (MT) were down 47 percent from last week's 521,000 MT, but in line with trade expectations of 250,000 MT to 500,000 MT. Year-to-date commercial sales for delivery in 2019/20 total 20.8 million metric tons (MMT), 10% ahead from last year's pace. USDA expects 2019/20 U.S. wheat exports will reach 26.8 MMT, 2% higher than last year, if realized.
- This week, moderate drought conditions were removed for southeast Oklahoma while a widespread area of Texas received above normal precipitation, but the panhandle remained dry. Drought conditions remain largely unchanged for the Plains, but the southern U.S. and Midwest received as much as 200 percent of normal rain. Southeastern Kansas saw some improvement following heavy rain. Eastern North Dakota saw improvements to soil moisture while in the northwest severe drought conditions expanded. Growing regions in western states continued to be dry.
- Russian wheat production for 2021/22 is expected to be around 78.4 MMT. Despite the lowest level of accumulated rainfall and soil moisture in five years, above average temperatures have benefited the wheat crop. A lack of snow accumulation however, leaves dormant wheat plants more vulnerable to cold damage, though no severe winter weather is predicted over the next ten days.
- SovEcon cut their 2020/21 Russian wheat export forecast to 36.3 MMT, down from 40.8 predicted in November. The USDA in its December WASDE predicted 40.0 MMT. SovEcon said the export tax which will begin February 15 and last until June 30, the end of the Russian export calendar, was to blame.
- The Buenos Aires Grain Exchange (BAGE) reported the Argentine wheat harvest at 98.4 percent complete and estimated production to be 17.0 MMT, following better than expected yields.
- As of January 6, total Ukrainian grain exports are 26.41 MMT, down 16% from this time last year, of which 12.51 MMT is wheat. In October, Ukraine implemented a 17.5 MMT wheat export quota for the 2020/21 marketing year and current sales account for slightly more than 71% of the quota.
- The USDA estimates that Indian wheat production will reach 107.6 MMT this marketing year, an 8 percent increase over three years. The USDA forecasts exports to nearly double to 1.0 MMT as stocks jump 30 percent.
- The Baltic Dry Index (BDI), an assessment of the average cost to ship raw materials like grains, coal and iron ore, increased 11% on the last report to end at 1,448.
- The U.S. Dollar Index was slightly up from the December 18 close of 90.02 to close at 90.12.

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