Idaho Grain Market Report, June 25, 2009
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Prices paid by Idaho Elevators delivered to warehouses in specified locations for barley and wheat on Wednesday, June 24, 2009. Barley prices in $/Cwt. and wheat prices in $/bu.

Selected Locations	Barley (Cwt.) #2 Feed, 48 lbs or better	Barley (Cwt.) Open market malting	Wheat (bu.) #1 SWW	Wheat (bu.) #1 HRW 11.5% protein	Wheat (bu.) #1 DNS 14% protein
Ashton	NQ	(2-R) $8.50 (6-R) $9.00	NQ	NQ	NQ
Rexburg/ Ririe/ Roberts	NQ	(2-R) NQ (6-R) NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ-
Idaho Falls	$6.50	(2-R)$7.81-$8.00 (6-R)$7.81	$4.50	$5.21	$6.50
Blackfoot / Pocatello	$6.65	(2-R) $8.50 (6-R) $9.00	$4.55	$4.67	$6.36
Grace / Soda Springs	$6.35	(2-R) $9.00 (6-R) $9.00	$4.42	$5.11	$6.45
Burley / Rupert Hazelton	$5.75	(2-R) $7.81 (6-R) $7.81	$4.35	$4.99	$5.49
Twin Falls / Eden / Buhl	NQ	(2-R) NQ (6-R) NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Weiser	NQ	(2-R) NQ (6-R) NQ	$4.55	NQ	NQ
Nez Perce / Craigmont	$5.63	(2-R) $5.63 (6-R) $5.63	$5.11	$5.73	$7.07
Lewiston	$6.08	(2-R) $6.08 (6-R) $6.08	$5.30	$5.92	$7.26
Moscow / Genesee	$5.68-$7.00	(2-R) $5.68 (6-R) $5.68	$5.07-$5.73	$5.69-$6.34	$7.03-$7.71

Trading Prices at Selected Terminal Markets, cash prices FOB

	Barley (Cwt.) #2 Feed 46 lbs. -- unit trains barge	Single rail cars-domestic	Malting	Wheat (bu.) #1 SWW	#1 HRW 11.5% Protein	#1 DNS 14% Protein
Portland	NQ	NQ	NQ	June $5.58-$5.75 Aug NC $5.70-$5.75	June $6.28-$6.48 Aug NC $6.23-$6.48	June $7.67-$7.72 Aug NC $7.67-$7.72
Los Angeles	$8.40	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Stockton	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Tulare	$8.40	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Ogden	$6.86	NQ	NQ	$4.59	$5.27	$6.55
Great Falls	$4.50-$5.85	NQ	$8.00	NQ	$4.67-$4.93	$6.64-$6.85
Minneapolis	$5.73	NQ	$9.69	NQ	$6.31 ¾ (12%)	$7.46 ¾ - $7.56 ¾

Market trends this week

BARLEY – Local barley prices were mostly steady, ranging from no change to 19 cents lower to this week. USDA reported no barley export sales last week. Barley export shipments totaled .2 TMT for Mexico.

Barley Competitor/Buyer News – Stats Canada released an updated Canadian barley planting projection of 8.778 million acres, down from their March 09 estimate of 9.476 million and 6% below 2008. The new 2009 estimate is well below Canada's 5-year average barley plantings of 10.106 million acres.

WHEAT – Local wheat prices were lower this week: SWW ranged from 7 cents to 15 cents lower; HRW ranged from 5 to 29 cents lower; and DNS from 15 to 25 cents lower. U.S. wheat export sales were within trade expectations at 368.3 TMT, which was 37% above the previous week. Wheat export shipments totaled 323.8 TMT.

Wheat Competitor/Buyer News – Stats Canada released an updated Canadian wheat planting projection of 24.932 million acres, down from their March 09 estimate of 25.162 million but just slightly below 2008. The new 2009 estimate is about in line with Canada's 5-year average wheat plantings of 25.010 million acres. The Buenos Aires Grain Exchange once again lowered its estimate fo 2009/10 wheat seedings to an all time low of 2.9 million hectares, down from 2.96 million estimated last week.

CORN - Corn export sales last week were within trade expectations at 686.4 TMT, which was 11% below the previous week; and 3% from the prior 4-week average. Export sales for MY 09/10 totaled 250.3 TMT. Corn export shipments last week totaled 1.04 MMT, up 27% from the previous week, and 34% from the prior 4-week average.

Futures market activity this week

Investors pulled back this week on renewed anxiety about the slow pace of global economic recovery. Concerns were exacerbated by a new economic outlook issued by the World Bank on Monday which shows global GDP contracting by 2.9%, a much higher level than the 1.7% decline forecast a few months ago. Other economic news was mixed, with new home sales down 0.6% compared to expected increase of 2.3%, unexpected increase in weekly jobless claims (rising 15,000 this week to a total of 627,000), but a slightly better read on the U.S. 1Q2009 GDP, which the Department of Commerce said contracted 5.5% rather than the earlier projection of 5.7%.

Wheat – Wheat futures began the week lower on a combination of harvest pressures, higher dollar and weak outside markets. Losses were trimmed somewhat by short covering into the close. Prices were steady to slightly higher on Tuesday on spillover support from soybeans and corn and a weaker US dollar, but gains were limited by harvest pressures. Wheat turned lower on Wednesday and again today (Thursday)on favorable harvest weather and rains forecast for dry areas in both Canada and Argentina. **Wheat market closes on Thursday, 6/25/09…**

	July 09	Weekly Summary	Sept 09	Weekly Summary
Chicago	$5.33	Down $.22 ¼	$5.61 ½	Down $.23
Kansas City	$5.92 ¼	Down $.22 ½	$6.02 ½	Down $.22 ¾
Minneapolis DNS	$6.78 ½	Down $.20 ½	$6.73	Down $22 ¾

Corn – Corn markets began the week sharply lower under pressure from improving crop weather and bearish outside markets. Corn prices turned higher on Tuesday on spillover support from soybeans, higher crude oil and weaker US dollar. Corn closed down modestly on Wednesday and again today (Thursday) in two-sided trading, with pressure once again from expectations of favorable crop conditions and cooler than expected temperatures now forecast for early July that greatly reduce the threat of adverse weather during early pollination. **July 09 corn contract closed on Thursday, 6/25/09, at $3.82 ½, down $.16 ¾ for the week and the Sept 09 contact at $3.90, down $.17 ¼ for the week.**

Other Major Factors to Watch

- **Crude Oil** – crude oil prices began the week lower, slipping below $70/bbl for the first time in three weeks on global economic concerns and a higher US dollar. Prices rebounded on Tuesday as the dollar traded lower. The weekly petroleum report was mixed**,** with crude oil inventories falling 3.9 million bbls compared to an expected draw of .95 million bbls; distillate stocks saw a bearish build of 2.1 million bbls, compared to an expected build of .85 million bbls; while gasoline stocks rose by 3.9 million bbls, compared to an expected build of 1.0 million bbls, but still well below the five year average. Crude prices rallied on Thursday in the face of renewed violence that has disrupted supplies out of Nigeria and higher equities.
- **U.S. weather / crop watch** – Rain continued to slow harvest HRW activity last weekend, particularly across Kansas which USDA showed was only 5% harvested compared to 31% on average. However, conditions were favorable for both HRW and SRW harvest this week. The Southern Plains region was expected to remain dry over the 6-10 day outlook. Rainfall was expected in the Northern Corn Belt this week and minor rain systems are expected to move though next week. The 6-10 and 8-14 day outlooks now show below normal temperatures across the Central U.S.
- **International weather / crop watch –**
  - **Canada** – A warming trend is favoring spring grain crop development, after recent cold weather slowed crop growth. Dryness remains a concern for parts of Saskatchewan and Alberta, but these areas could see needed rain over the next several days..
  - **Europe –** Widespread showers have continued to be mostly beneficial, although excessive moisture was noted in some areas. The Balkan region remained hot and dry.
  - **Russia / Ukraine** – Showers continued to favor crop development in Siberia, but the Volga region and southern Russia have seen continued hot/dry conditions which are stressing winter grain filling. Cooler temps and light showers favor crop development across Ukraine, easing plant stress during winter fill in the south and east.
  - **China –** Winter grain harvesting neared completion, while widespread rains boosted soil moisture for summer crops.
  - **Argentina –** Persistent dryness and most recently some frost are worsening conditions for winter grain planting and early growth. Some rainfall was expected this weekend but amounts are likely to be too light to alleviate drought stress.
  - **Australia –** Widespread showers in Western and South Australian have helped maintain adequate moisture for winter grain crops.

USDA Crop Progress / Condition Report, June 22, 2009

Crop	Progress %	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average	Condition rating % good/excellent	Previous Week	Previous Year
US barley					80%	80%	74%
ID barley					**94%**	**96%**	
US spring wheat					77%	75%	72%
ID spring wheat					**93%**	**94%**	
US winter wheat	95% headed 20% harvested	90% 9%	93% 22%	97% 31%	45%	44%	46%
ID winter wheat	**55% headed** **0% harvested**	**41%** **0%**	**46%** **0%**	**73%** **0%**	**92%**	**92%**	
US Corn					70%	70%	59%