Idaho Grain Market Report, June 25, 2015

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We will NOT publish a report on July 2, 2015.

Prices paid by Idaho Elevators delivered to warehouses in specified locations for barley and wheat on Wednesday, June 24, 2015. Barley prices in $/Cwt. and wheat prices in $/bu.

	Barley (Cwt.) FEED 48 lbs or better	MALTING Open market malting	Wheat (bu.) Milling #1 SWW	#1 HRW 11.5% pro	#1 DNS 14% pro	#1 HWW
Rexburg/ Ririe/ Roberts	$4.95-5.00		$5.40 New crop $4.90	New crop $4.90	New crop $5.75	$5.25 New crop $5.20
Idaho Falls	$5.10	$12.00-12.50	$5.26 New crop $5.34	$4.86 New crop $5.19	$6.36 New crop $6.10	New crop $5.40
Blackfoot / Pocatello	NQ	$10.00	New crop $5.34	New crop $5.19	New crop $6.10	New crop $5.40
Grace / Soda Springs	$5.20	NQ	$5.08	$4.83	$5.65	
Burley / Rupert Hazelton	$4.75 – 5.25	$12.50	New crop $5.08 – 5.10	New crop $4.83	New crop $5.65	New crop $5.13
Twin Falls / Buhl / Wendell	$5.85– 6.50		New crop $5.18 **Feed wheat** $3.60	NQ	NQ	
Nampa – Weiser	New crop $6.00	NQ	New crop $5.70	NQ	NQ	
Nez Perce / Craigmont	$5.55		$5.37	$5.17	$6.28	
Lewiston	$6.05		$5.60	$5.42	$6.53	
Moscow / Genesee	$5.55- 6.00		$5.37 – 5.52	$5.19 – 5.45	$6.30-6.69	$5.45

Prices at Selected Terminal Markets, cash prices FOB

	#2 Feed 46 lbs. -- unit trains barge	Malting	#1 SWW	#1 HRW 11.5% Protein	#1 DNS 14% Protein	#1 HWW
Portland			Ord protein June - NQ New crop $5.85-6.28¼ **max 10.5% pro** June-$6.03- 6.33 New crop $6.33½ 6.68¼	June $6.09½-6.19½ New crop $6.08-6.13	June $7.38¾ – 7.63¾ New crop $7.05¾ - 7.25¾	
Los Angeles	$8.00–8.15			$7.54 (12%)		
Tulare	$8.00–8.15					
Ogden	$5.70		New crop $5.45	New crop $5.00	New crop $6.40	New crop $5.10
Great Falls	$5.00	$11.00		$4.89-5.32 (12%)	$5.71 –6.13	
Minneapolis	$5.52	NQ		$5.64½	$7.03¾ – 7.48¾	

Market trends this week

BARLEY - Local feed barley prices were mostly steady to 25 cents lower. Open market malting barley prices closed steady. USDA reported barley exports sales last week of 100 MT to Japan. Barley export shipments totaled 500 MT, to Japan and Canada.

WHEAT – Wheat prices were mixed to mostly higher this week: local SWW prices ranged from minus 17 centfs to plus 45 cents; HRW prices ranged from minus 3 cents to plus 27 cents; and DNS prices ranged from minus 47 cents to plust 29 cents. USDA reported wheat export sales were on the high end of trade expectations last week at 434.3 TMT, up 38% from the previous week. Wheat export shipments last week were also better at 388.3 TMT, up 36%.

Wheat competitor / buyer news – The EU lowered their average wheat yield projections by 5% this week due to recent dry conditions but still expects yield to be about 3% above the 5-year average. Ukrainian Ag Minister is projecting their total grain crop at 60 MMT, up from earlier estimates and exports at 34 MMT, with wheat exports totaling about 13 MMT. China National Grain & Oilseed Information Center projected China's current year wheat imports at 1.4 MMT, but expects them to rise to 2 to 2.5 MMT in MY 2015/16 due to impacts from late season rains. India reportedly has purchased 500 TMT of Australian wheat – the largest wheat imports into that country in nearly a decade.

CORN – USDA reported corn export sales were within trade expectations at 794.3 TMT (496.8 TMT for MY 14/15 and 297.5 TMT for MY 15/16), down 21% from the prior week and 11% from the 4-week average. Corn export shipments last week were better at 1.126 MMT, up 8% from the prior week and 16% from the 4-week average.

Ethanol corn usage – DOE's Energy Information Agency reported a sizeable bounce in weekly ethanol production – up 14,000 or 1.4% from the previous week to **record weekly ethanol production of 994,000 bbls per day**, which is up nearly 6% from a year ago. Corn used in ethanol production last week leaped to 104.4 million bu, above the weekly pace of 98.5 million bu needed to reach the USDA's projected use of 5.175 billion bu for the marketing year. U.S. ethanol stocks settled lower last week to 19.8 million bbls, up 9% from a year ago.

Corn competitor / buyer news – U.S. DDG sales to China fell 25% in May compared to a year ago and down 20% from the previous month due to availability of inexpensive soymeal. There were reports of at least 2 bulk vessels being cancelled last week and the possibility of another 6 cargoes may be cancelled. Ukrainian Ag Minister is projecting their 2015/16 corn exports at 18.2 MMT, with at least 2 MMT of corn sales to China. Ukraine has reportedly already shipped about 600 TMT of old crop corn to China. Taiwan purchased 130 TMT of Brazilian corn and Indonesia reportedly purchased 50 TMT of South American corn this week.

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WHEAT – Monday and Tuesday saw wheat prices propelled double digits higher on short covering triggered by expanding crop weather concerns as excessive moisture threatens the maturing soft red winter wheat crop throughout the Eastern Corn Belt and growing conditions remain adversely dry across Western Canada and France. Wheat settled lower on Wednesday under profit-taking pressures. Prices quickly rebounded, surging higher today (Thursday) as forecasts call for more unwanted moisture across the SRW wheat growing region. The upside remains somewhat limited by advancing harvest hedge pressure as the HRW region turned warmer and drier this week, allowing harvest to advance. **Wheat market closes on Thursday, 6/25/15...**

	July 2015	Weekly Summary	Sept 2015	Weekly Summary	Dec 2015	Weekly Summary
Chicago SRW	**$5.32**	**Up $0.43½**	**$5.38**	**Up $0.45½**	**$5.48½**	**Up $0.42¼**
KC HRW	**$5.35¼**	**Up $0.32**	**$5.43½**	**Up $0.30½**	**$5.62¼**	**Up $0.30¼**
MGE DNS	**$5.74½**	**Up $0.31½**	**$5.87¼**	**Up $0.33½**	**$6.01**	**Up $0.33¾**

CORN – Corn futures posted solid gains to start the week, boosted by spillover support from higher wheat and beans and concerns about excessive moisture across the Central and Eastern Corn Belt which could lead to nitrogen deficiencies and lower yield potential. Corn continued to post moderate gains on Tuesday on support from a lower crop condition rating this week, but the upside remains limited by increased farmer selling and a sharply higher dollar which traded 1% higher due to worries about a Greek debt default. Corn traded higher early on Wednesday but softened into the close under profit-taking pressures and increased producer selling. Corn rebounded sharply higher today (Thursday) on support from bullish technicals and a surge in soybeans on concerns about the current wet weather pattern. **Corn futures contract closes on Thursday, 6/25/15… July 2015 contract at $3.76½, up $0.23¼ for the week, Sept. 2015 contract closed at $3.82¾, up $0.24 and the Dec. 2015 contract closed at $3.92¼, up $0.23½ for the week.**

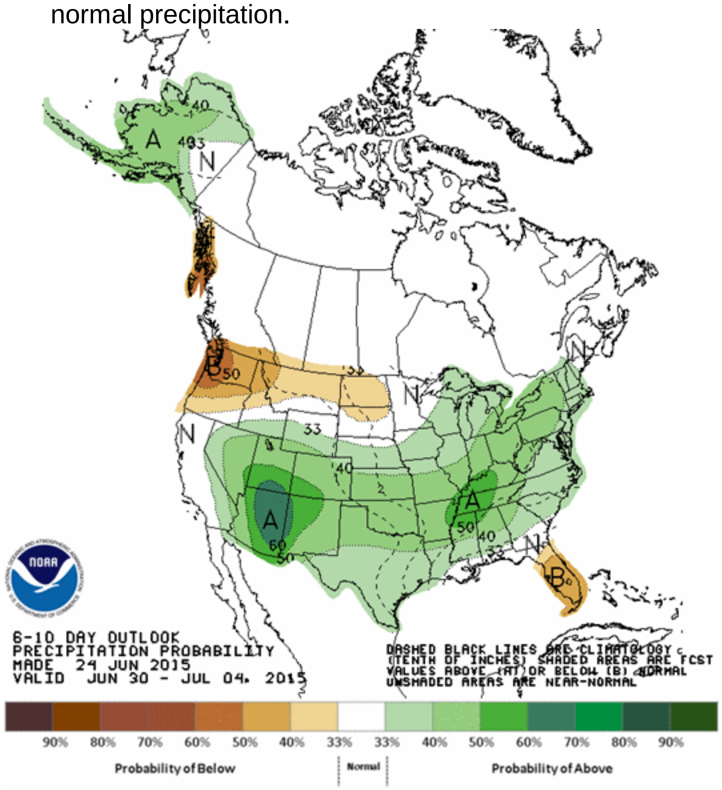
CRUDE OIL – Crude oil prices continued trading in a narrow trading range this week as traders closely watched economic indicators in China and the EU, as well as immediate efforts by Greece to stave off a possible debt default at the end of this month. For the 8th consecutive week, DOE reported a larger than expected reduction in weekly domestic crude inventories– down 4.934 million bbls, compared to an expected decrease of 1.5 million bbls. Distillates increased by 1.837 million bbls and gasoline stocks increased by 680,000 bbls. **Crude oil finished moderately lower today (Thursday) – down $0.57/bbl to close at $59.70/bbl and up just $0.09/bbl for the week.**

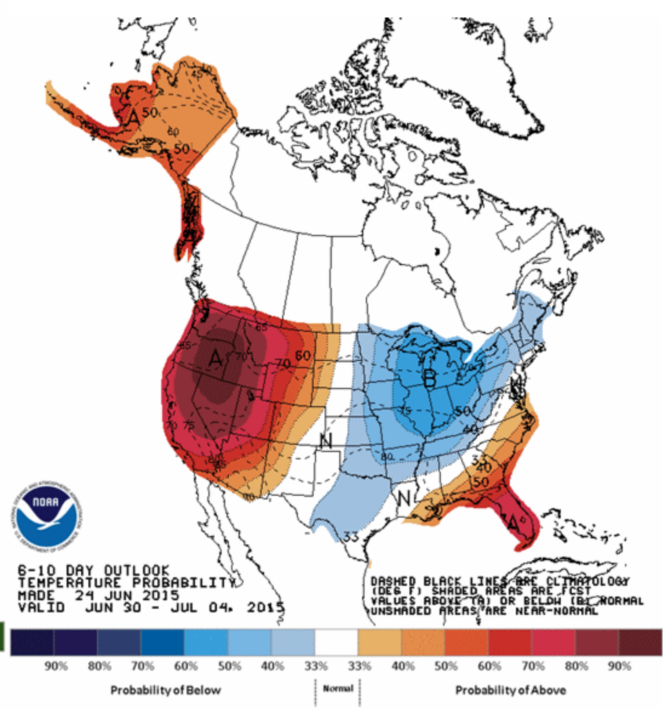
USDA Crop Progress / Condition Report, June 22, 2015

Crop	% Progress	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average	Condition rating % good/excellent	Previous Week	Previous Year
US barley					76% g/ex	75%	67%
ID barley					**91% g/ex**	**92%**	
US spring wheat					71% g/ex	70%	71%
ID spring wheat					**82% g/ex**	**82%**	
US winter wheat	19% harvested	11%	31%	31%	41% g/ex	43%	30%
ID winter wheat	**0% harvested**	**0%**	**0%**	**0%**	**63%**	**63%**	
Corn					71%	73%	74%

Weather/Crop Outlook –

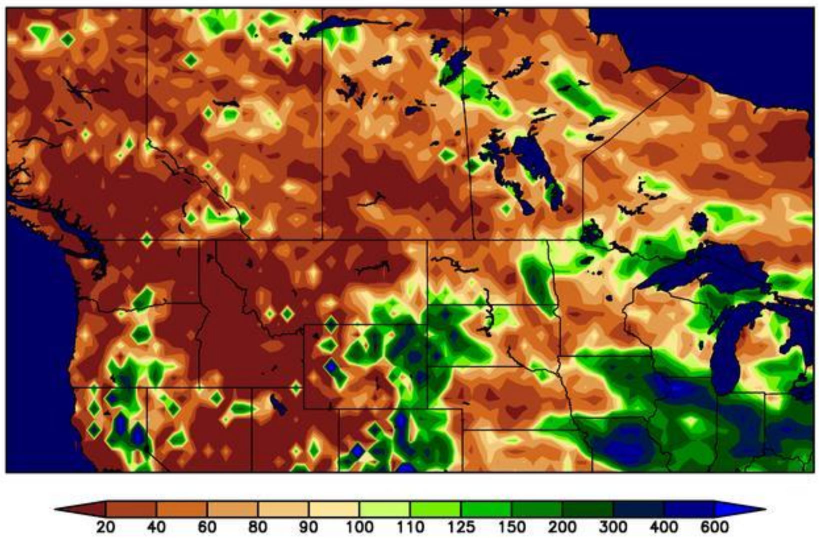
- **U.S. -** Hot and dry conditions persisted across much of the PNW with RECORD HEAT expected through this weekend into next week. Favorable warm and drier conditions from Kansas southward allowed winter wheat harvest to advance across the Central and Southern Plains but conditions turned adversely wet for soft red winter wheat region, particularly in the Ohio River Valley. The Northern Plains saw mostly favorable growing conditions this week with scattered showers. Meanwhile the northern two-thrids of the Corn Belt saw cooler air and widespread heavy rain pummeled the Central and Eastern belts. **The 6-10 outlook –** The Pacific Northwest and western edge of the Northern Plains remain hot and dry. The Midwest and Eastern Plains remain cooler than normal with near to above normal precipitation.





- **Canada** – Western Canadian prairies remain adversely warm and dry, with the top two grain producing provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan receiving only 40 to 60% of normal rainfall the past two months. Parts of Alberta received beneficial moisture last week which helped stabilize conditions but more rainfall is needed to improve yield potential.

Martell Crop Projections
7-day GFS Precipitation Forecast (pct of normal)
24 June 2015 – 30 June 2015



- **Europe –** Some areas of France, Germany and the Baltics received some beneficial moisture last week but Western Europe is trending dry and warm for the next 10 days.
- **Black Sea region –** Parts of Ukraine and Southern Russia received beneficial moisture in recent days while the Volga region remained adversely dry.
- **China –** Conditions remain favorable with hot and dry conditions aiding winter grain harvesting across the North China Plains. The northeastern region continued to receive beneficial showers.
- **South America –** Conditions remain favorable as second crop corn harvest advances in Central Brazil, while corn harvest advances in Argentina. Rain is needed for the new wheat crop to successfully germinate.
- **Australia –** Wheat areas received beneficial moisture last week but conditions turned drier this week.

BARLEY YELLOW DWARF VIRUS FORUM – Wednesday, July 1, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., includes lunch at Best Western Burley Inn, Burley, ID. Please pre-register by calling Mike Erickson at 208.305.7458 or by emailing mike.erickson@mcgregor.com

University of Idaho – Limagrain Cereal Seeds Field Day – July 15, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 pm, **includes lunch at UI Aberdeen Research & Extension Center**. Tour winter and spring wheat and barley variety trials, wheat breeding nursery, barley breeding nursery and barley nutrient management study.