# Idaho Grain Market Report, April 9, 2026—NEW CROP PRICES


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Prices paid by Idaho Elevators delivered to warehouses in specified locations for barley and wheat on Wednesday April 8, 2026. 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% Protein | #1 DNS 14% Protein | #1 HWW |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rexburg / Ririe | | | | | | |
| Idaho Falls/Idaho Falls | | | | | | |
| Grace / Soda Springs | | | | | | |
| Twin Falls / Buhl Jerome / Wendell | 8.50 | | | | | |
| Meridian | 8.50 | | 5.35 | 5.35 | 5.74 | |
| Nezperce / Craigmont Does not include delivery | 7.75 | | 6.20 | 6.57 | | |
| Lewiston Does not include delivery | 7.75 | | 6.20 | 6.57 | | |
| Moscow / Genesee Does not include delivery | 7.75-8.00 | | 6.20 | 6.42-6.57 | 6.95 | |

**Prices at Selected Terminal Markets, cash FOB**
Wednesday April 8, 2026 Barley prices in $/Cwt. And wheat prices in $/bu.

| | #2 Feed Barley 46 lbs. -- | Malting Barley | #1 SWW | #1 HRW 12% Protein | #1 DNS 13% Protein | #1 HWW |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Portland | | | 6.20 | 6.47 | 6.96 | |
| Ogden | | | | | | |
| Great Falls | | | | 5.18-5.48 | 5.78-5.96 | |
| Minneapolis | | | | | 7.41-7.46 | |

## Market News and Trends This Week

**BARLEY**—Idaho cash feed barley prices were unchanged for the week ending April 8. Idaho cash malt barley prices were unchanged. Net sales of 3,100 were reported to Canada for the week March 27– April 2. Exports of 1,300 MT were to Canada for the week of March 27– April 2, 2026.

**Barley News**—Budweiser is celebrating 150 years as an American icon and honoring America's 250th birthday the best way it knows how: bringing people together for an unforgettable celebration. The Budweiser 150th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 17, brings the historic milestone to life with a one-of-a-kind, daylong brewery party at the iconic Anheuser-Busch Brewery in St. Louis, Missouri. 21+ fans are invited to join Budweiser to celebrate this momentous occasion at a ticketed event that will feature a live performance by an iconic, legendary rock band, exclusive brewery experiences, limited-edition merchandise and much more. The Anheuser-Busch St. Louis Brewery, a National Historic Landmark, is where Anheuser-Busch first brewed Budweiser in 1876. Attendees will be able to explore the historic grounds, participate in guided tours of the brewery facility and visit the Budweiser museum, which features historical memorabilia and collectibles from Budweiser's 150-year storied past. The event will also include access to the Budweiser Clydesdales, a staple of the brand since the repeal of Prohibition in early 1933. The celebration will highlight Budweiser's "Made of America" platform, offering an overview of the brewing process from seed to sip. Todd Allen, SVP of Marketing for Budweiser at Anheuser-Busch, said: "For 150 years, Budweiser has been part of celebrations and milestones across American culture, and this one-of-a-kind celebration invites fans to experience the rich history and craftmanship of the brand right where it all started. The Budweiser 150th Anniversary Celebration offers an opportunity to raise a glass and make a toast to America's favorite great tasting, high-quality American Classic Lager and the people who have made it iconic for generations. "The Budweiser 150th Anniversary Celebration will take place at the Anheuser-Busch Brewery at 1200 Lynch Street in St. Louis on Sunday, May 17, from 3 to 10 p.m. CT. General ticket sale starts on April 6 with tickets available for purchase at $50.00, which includes 1 Budweiser beer. (Anheuser-busch.com)


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## Market News and Trends This Week—continued

**Wheat**—Idaho cash wheat prices were mostly down for the week ending April 8. SWW prices were Dwon $0.10 to up $0.15 from the previous week; HRW prices were down $0.19 to down $0.14; DNS prices were down $0.17. HWW prices were, not given. Net sales of 90,700 MT for 2026/2027 were primarily for Mexico (33,800 MT), the Philippines (18,000 MT), Japan (14,800 MT), unknown destinations (10,000 MT), and El Salvador (7,100 MT). Exports of 371,200 MT were up 9 percent from the previous week, but down 4 percent from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Mexico (92,300 MT), South Korea (55,000 MT), Venezuela (52,500 MT), the Dominican Republic (28,200 MT), and Honduras (27,100 MT).

**Wheat News**—The 2026 winter wheat crop is off to a rocky start as dry conditions and harsh weather take a toll on production across the Southern Plains. According to USDA's first Crop Progress report of the season, just 35% of the winter wheat crop is rated in good to excellent condition. It is a sharp decline from the 48% reported at this time last year. While a third of the crop is rated fair, the situation is particularly dire in Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado and Nebraska following a combination of challenging winter conditions and persistent dry weather. "Things are looking pretty rough, as we get into the heart of this early growing season for 2026," says USDA Meteorologist Brad Rippey. Data from the latest U.S. Drought Monitor confirms the severity of the situation. More than 95% of the Southern Plains are experiencing some level of drought or abnormal dryness. Rippey says the subsoil moisture in Kansas means the state could see a turnaround from drought. The 1" to 2" of rain expected to hit the southern great plains and lower Midwest could make a big difference. "Maybe for some of the earlier wheat on the Southern Plains, we can still turn the corner and bring back some yield potential," he says. However, Rippey isn't sure Western acres, or those in the central Great Plains will be able to come back from dry conditions. "Wheat's already heading out in the far South. When you look at the numbers coming in out of Oklahoma and Texas, there's only so much recovery at this point you're going to have," he says. (agweb.com)

**CORN**—Net sales of 1,361,300 MT for 2025/2026 for the week of March 27– April 2, 2026. Increases were primarily to Japan (632,400 MT), Mexico (202,500 MT), Colombia (177,500 MT), Portugal (109,700 MT), and Ireland (80,000 MT). Exports of 1,829,900 MT were down 8 percent from the previous week, but up 3 percent from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Mexico (457,500 MT), Japan (433,600 MT), Colombia (279,100 MT), South Korea (134,400 MT), and Ireland (80,000 MT).

**Ethanol Corn Usage**—DOE's Energy Infor. Agency (EIA) reported ethanol production for the week April 3, was 1.116 million bbls, up 3.8 percent from the previous week and up 9.3 percent from last year. Total ethanol production for the week was 7.812 million barrels. Ethanol stocks were 26.053 million bbls, up 0.2 percent from last week and down 3.6 percent from last year. An estimated 111.15 million bu of corn was used in last week's production bringing this crop year's cumulative corn usage for ethanol production at 3.350 billion bu. Corn used needs to average 105.01 million bu per week to meet USDA estimate of 5.600 billions bu for the crop year.

## Futures Market News and Trends—Week Ending April 9, 2026

**FUTURES MARKET SETTLEMENT PRICES for the Week Ending Thursday, April 9, 2026:**

| Commodity | May 2026 | Week Change | July 2026 | Week Change | Sept 2026 | Week Change | Dec 2026 | Week Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CHI SRW | **$5.74½** | **-$0.20¾** | **$5.85** | **-$0.21½** | **$5.97½** | **-$0.22¼** | **$6.15¾** | **-$0.21¾** |
| KC HRW | **$5.90½** | **-$0.17¾** | **$6.05¾** | **-$0.18** | **$6.20¼** | **-$0.17¾** | **$6.39½** | **-$0.17¾** |
| MGE DNS | **$6.18¼** | **-$0.26¼** | **$6.33¾** | **-$0.25** | **$6.50¼** | **-$0.24¼** | **$6.65¾** | **-$0.22¾** |
| CORN | **$4.44** | **-$0.10** | **$4.55** | **-$0.10¼** | **$4.59¼** | **-$0.09¾** | **$4.74¼** | **-$0.08¾** |

**WHEAT FUTURES**—Wheat futures were down due to WASDE reported higher than expected supplies. **Wheat futures prices ranged from down $0.26¼ to down $0.17¾ (per bu) versus the previous week.**

**CORN FUTURES**—Corn futures were down due to USDA reported corn ending high stocks. **Corn futures prices ranged from down $0.10 to down $0.08¾ (per bu) versus the previous week.**

**CRUDE OIL FUTURES**—Oil prices rose on Thursday after Iran accused the United States of violating elements of a two-week ceasefire agreement. (cnbc.com)

EIA reported U.S. crude oil refinery inputs averaged 16.4 million bbls day during the week ending April 3, was 129 thousand bbls/day less than last week's average. Refineries operated at 92% of capacity last week. As of April 3, there was an increase in crude oil stocks of 3.081 million bbls from last week to 464.717 million bbls, under the 5-year average of 458.044 million bbls. Distillate stocks decreased by 3.144 million bbls to a total of 114.681 million bbls, under the 5-year average of 119.640 million bbls; while gasoline stocks decreased by 1.589 million bbls to 239.272 million bbls, over the 230.896 million bbl 5-year average. The national average retail regular gasoline price was $4.120 per gallon on April 6, up $0.13 from last week's price and up $0.877 from a year ago. The national average retail diesel fuel price was $5.643 per gallon, up $0.242from last week's price and up $2.004 from last year.

**NYMEX Crude Oil Futures finished the week ending Thursday, April 9 , 2026 to close at $98.26 bbl (May contract), down $14.15 for the week.**

## USDA U.S. Drought Monitor—April 9, 2026

**Northeast**: Improvements were made in much or the region.

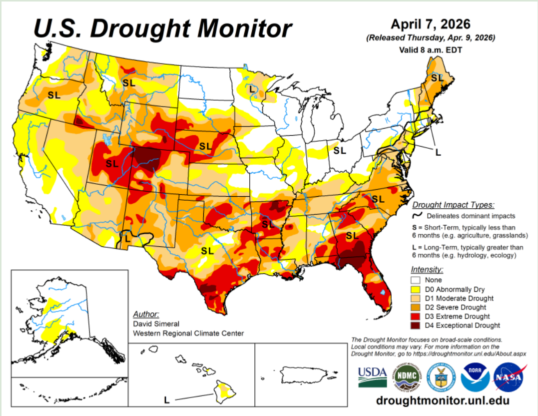
**Southeast:** Drought expanded in much of the region,

**South:** Improvements were made in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiane, and Arkansas. Areas of Tennessee saw degradations.

**Midwest**: Improvements were much of the region. Drought expanded in Kentucky.

**High Plains**: Improvements were in much of the region.

**West**: Degradations in much of the region this week.




## USDA U.S. Crop Weather Highlights—April 9, 2026

**West:** Rapidly warming temperatures are following yesterday's cool spell, renewing premature snowmelt and further reducing already bleak spring runoff prospects. However, winter storm watches have been issued for the Sierra Nevada ahead of a slow-moving Pacific storm system slated to impact California and environs over the weekend.

**Plains:** A cold front bisects the region, with chilly and unsettled conditions—with some snow showers—on the northern Plains contrasting with unseasonable warmth across the southern Plains. The most recent U.S. Drought Monitor released today depicts expanding and intensifying drought across the High Plains and west-central Kansas.

**Corn Belt**: A slow-moving cold front separates chilly conditions in the Dakotas and upper Midwest from anomalous warmth from Missouri into the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley. According to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor released today, recent heavy rain has netted 1- and 2-category improvements in drought severity in the central Corn Belt, while drought has intensified farther south in Kentucky and Tennessee.

**South**: Rain on Florida's peninsula has mostly ended, though showers linger along the state's central Atlantic Coast. Otherwise, above-normal temperatures and acute short-term dryness (30-day rainfall locally less than 25% of normal) from northern Florida into southeastern Virginia are exacerbating drought and rapidly reducing topsoil moisture for pastures and winter crop vegetative development.

**Outlook for U.S:** Back-to-back storms will maintain active weather across much of the country for the remainder of the week. The lead storm, currently crossing the east-central Plains, will exit the Great Lakes region on Friday. The trailing system will emerge from the Northwest on Friday, eventually following a similar path across the central Plains and Midwest—and departing the Great Lakes region on Sunday. Both systems will spark multi-day severe weather outbreaks. Meanwhile, two storm precipitation totals should range from 1 to 3 inches along and east of a line from southern Texas into the upper Mississippi Valley, excluding the middle and southern Atlantic States. Elsewhere, beneficial precipitation in the West should end by Friday, followed by a weekend warming trend. The NWS 6- to 10-day outlook for April 7 – 11 calls for the likelihood of near- or above-normal temperatures and precipitation across most of the country. Cooler-than-normal conditions will be confined to the North, from northeastern Montana to New England, while drier-than-normal weather should be limited to the Pacific Northwest and an area stretching from the southern Appalachians to southern New England.

## International Crop Weather Highlights—April 7, 2026

**Europe:** Additional widespread rain across southeastern Europe contrasted with increasingly dry conditions in southwestern and northeastern portions of the continent.

**Middle East:** Another slow-moving storm brought moderate to heavy rain and mountain snow to western and central portions of the region.

**Africa:** Drier and warmer weather in Morocco contrasted with cool and rainy conditions in Algeria and Tunisia.

**Australia:** Mostly dry weather in eastern Australia favored cotton and sorghum harvesting.

**Argentina:** Persistent rainfall affected central and eastern farming regions, with hot temperatures across the country.

**Brazil:** Wetter conditions dominated the northern and western areas, while the south and east experienced mostly dry weather with only scattered showers.

## USDA WASDE– World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates April 9, 2026

**WHEAT:** The outlook for 2025/26 U.S. wheat this month is for slightly higher supplies, marginally lower domestic use, unchanged exports, and higher ending stocks. Supplies are raised entirely on higher imports, based on reported Census data through February. Domestic use is lowered, all on reduced seed use indicated by the NASS Prospective Plantings report. Exports are unchanged at 900 million bushels, but there are offsetting by-class revisions. Ending stocks are raised to 938 million bushels, 10 percent higher than last year and the largest since 2019/20. The projected 2025/26 season-average farm price is raised $0.05 per bushel to $5.00 on NASS prices reported to date and price expectations for the remainder of the marketing year.

This month's 2025/26 global wheat outlook is for higher supplies, lower consumption, slightly less trade, and increased ending stocks. Supplies are raised 1.5 million tons to 1,103.2 million, mainly on higher production from the EU and Russia. Global 2025/26 consumption is lowered 4.7 million tons to 820.1 million, mostly on reduced food, seed, and industrial use for India. That country's government wheat stocks data for the first 11 months of its marketing year indicate higher stocks than previously estimated implying less domestic use. World trade is 0.3 million tons lower at 221.9 million on reduced exports for Ukraine, Australia, and Brazil not being completely offset by higher exports for Russia and Kazakhstan. Projected 2025/26 global ending stocks are raised 6.2 million tons to 283.1 million and are 24 million or 9 percent higher than last year. India, Ukraine, the EU, Australia, and Bangladesh account for most of the stocks increase this month.

**COARSE GRAINS:** This month's 2025/26 U.S. corn outlook is unchanged relative to last month. Feed and residual use is unchanged at 6.2 billion bushels reflecting reported disappearance during the December-February quarter as indicated in the March 31 Grain Stocks report. Disappearance during the first half of the marketing year totaled 9.6 billion bushels, up over 1.0 billion from the same period a year ago. The season-average corn price received by producers is raised 5 cents to $4.15 per bushel based on reported prices to date.

Global coarse grain production for 2025/26 is forecast 5.1 million tons higher to 1.598 billion. This month's foreign coarse grain outlook is for larger production, trade, and ending stocks relative to last month. Foreign corn production is raised, with increases for India, South Africa, Indonesia, and Russia partially offset by a decline for Uruguay. India is raised reflecting higher area based on the latest information reported by the government. South Africa is up on increases to both area and yield with the latter reflecting above average rainfall observed in most regions during the growing season.

**BARLEY:** The April WASDE report shows the outlook for 2025/2026 U.S. barley supplies were unchanged at 218 million bushels from the projected estimates at 218 million bushels. The April report estimates a projected yield of 80.0 bushels/acre with 1.8 million acres expected to be harvested, unchanged from the March 2025/2026 estimates report. Projected use is at an estimated 154 million bushels, and projected imports at 9 million bushels. Ending stocks for 2025/2026 are projected to be 64 million bushels. The season-average farm price is up at $5.45 bu on updated NASS prices compared to $5.45/bu in March 2025/2026 estimates.