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Imports Are Raised, Boosting Ending Stocks

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Projected U.S. wheat supplies for 2013/14 are raised 10 million bushels this month with higher projected imports. Record production and higher exports for Canada are expected to add to wheat supplies in the United States. Imports are raised 5 million bushels each for hard red spring (HRS) and soft red winter (SRW) wheat. Projected exports for all wheat are unchanged, but minor adjustments are made by class with SRW wheat exports raised 5 million bushels and HRS wheat exports lowered an offsetting amount. Projected ending stocks are raised 10 million bushels. The 2013/14 projected season-average farm price is lowered 10 cents at the midpoint with the range narrowed to \$6.65 to \$7.15 per bushel as near record world supplies and increased export competition reduce price prospects for U.S. wheat.

A sharp increase in wheat supplies in Canada and Australia is expected to intensify competition facing U.S. exports during the latter part of 2013/14. Despite strong export commitments, U.S. wheat export prospects are unchanged, reflecting increased competitor supplies and the slowing pace of sales. With global consumption projected only slightly higher, global ending stocks rise significantly, putting additional downward pressure on wheat prices.

Domestic Outlook

Projected 2013/14 Supplies Raised 10 Million Bushels This Month

Projected 2013/14 supplies are raised 10 million bushels this month to 3,008 million bushels. Production and carryin stocks are unchanged, but imports are raised to 10 million bushels to 160 million bushels with expected higher hard red spring (HRS) and soft red winter (SRW) imports from Canada, up 5 million bushels each.

Projected 2013/14 Supplies Down From 2012/13

Total U.S. wheat supply for 2013/14 is down 123 million bushels from 2012/13 to 3,008 million bushels. Supplies of hard red winter (HRW) and durum are down year to year, while supplies are up for the other classes. HRW supplies decreased the most, as smaller production and imports more than offset higher beginning stocks. HRW production is down from 2012 due partially to the smaller planted area for the 2013 crop, and both a higher abandonment rate and a lower yield because of severe drought and spring freeze damage. SRW supplies were up the most year to year as higher production and imports more than offset lower beginning stocks. SRW production is higher than 2012 because of larger harvested area and higher yield.

Projected Total 2013/14 Utilization Is Unchanged This Month

Projected 2013/14 total U.S. wheat use is unchanged from November. Exports, at 1,100 million bushels, are unchanged in total, but HRS exports are lowered 5 million bushels while SRW exports are raised by 5 million bushels. The class changes are based on export pace to date.

Projected 2013/14 Use Is Up Slightly From 2012/13

Projected total use for 2013/14 is 2,433 million bushels, up 19 million bushels from 2012/13. Domestic use is expected to be down 73 million bushels from 2012/13 while exports are projected up 93 million bushels. Domestic use is down because feed and residual use is expected to fall 78 million bushels from 2012/13 to 310 million bushels. While feed use appears to have been high during the summer quarter of 2013/14, such use is expected to decrease with large supplies of lower priced corn available for feeding since the fall corn harvest. Total food use is expected higher with population growth and expected lower flour extraction than in 2012/13.

Projected 2013/14 Ending Stocks Up From November, Down From 2012/13

The projected 2013/14 U.S. wheat ending stocks are raised 10 million bushels from November to 575 million bushels because of the raised imports of HRW and SRW. Total ending stocks for 2013/14 are expected to decrease by 20 percent from 2012/13. Stocks of HRW, SRW, and white are expected down 44 percent, 28 percent, and 7 percent, respectively. Stocks of durum and HRS are expected up 34 percent and 23 percent, respectively.

2013/14 Price Range Projection

The 2013/14 season-average farm price range is projected at \$6.65 to \$7.15 per bushel, from \$6.70 to \$7.30 per bushel in November. The 2013/14 range is down from the record \$7.77 per bushel reported for 2012/13.

Winter Wheat Conditions Are Favorable

Winter wheat conditions reported by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) as of November 24 in *Crop Progress* are more favorable compared to last year at this time. For all winter wheat, only 8 percent was rated poor to very poor while 62 percent was rated good to excellent. A year ago at this time, 26 percent was rated poor to very poor and 33 percent was rated good to excellent. In all the States, except Texas, the percent of the crop rated poor to very poor was 6 percent or less. In Texas, 28 percent of crop was rated poor to very poor.

USDA Wheat Baseline, 2013-22

Each year, USDA updates its 10-year projections of supply and utilization for major field crops grown in the United States, including wheat. A detailed discussion summarizing the historical forces determining U.S. wheat supply and utilization, along with the analysis underlying the wheat projections for 2013-22, is available at <http://www.ers.usda.gov/topics/crops/wheat/usda-wheat-baseline,-2013-22.aspx>.

Key Competitors' Wheat Output Boosted This Month

World wheat production forecast for 2013/14 soared 5.0 million tons this month to 711.4 million, exceeding the record wheat output of 2011/12 by 14.1 million tons and surpassing that year's record yield by 0.09 tons/hectare (or 2.9 percent).

The largest increase in 2013/14 wheat production is a 4.3-million-ton rise to 37.5 million for Canada, based on the November farm surveys results published by Statistics Canada. The increase confirmed USDA's previous assessments of a remarkable record-setting growing season and excellent harvest weather with the additional benefit of later-than-usual autumn freezes. Area harvested for wheat is up slightly this month to 10.4 million hectares, and the off-the-charts yields are 21 percent higher than the previous record of 2011/12 (and more than a quarter higher than the average of the last 5 years).

Australian 2013/14 wheat production is projected 1.0 million tons higher this month at 26.5 million, the third largest wheat crop in the country's history, with area slightly lower this month, down 0.2 million hectares to 13.5 million. Wheat production for the previous 2012/13 crop year is also revised up 0.4 million tons to 22.5 million, with a 0.5-million-hectare lower wheat area. The Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES) raised their production forecast for the current 2013/14 year to 26.2 million tons, while the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) upgraded the production estimate for the previous 2012/13 crop year.

Last month we reviewed the growing conditions in all Australian States in detail (see <http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/ers/WHS//2010s/2013/WHS-11-13-2013.pdf>). To sum up, the growing conditions have been very favorable in the Western Australia (particularly in the southern and central parts of the State), and in the eastern producing States of South Australia and Victoria along the southern coast of the continent. However, precipitation was far from sufficient in parts of Queensland and New South Wales, particularly around the border between the two States. By the end of November, the wheat harvest had been virtually completed in these two States, and is currently moving into the south of the continent and to Western Australia, the regions that have benefited the most from the country's favorable weather. About 50 percent of the country's total wheat area has been harvested, with better-than-expected results.

Wheat production in the European Union is adjusted slightly down this month by 0.2 million tons to 143.1 million, with partly offsetting changes for Denmark (down 0.45 million tons), France and Netherlands (up 0.1 million tons each). South African wheat production is also slightly adjusted, reflecting the new estimates of the National Crop Estimates Committee (NCEC).

Changes in world wheat beginning stocks are pretty small, up 0.2 million tons, adding only slightly to already expanded supplies. Beginning stocks are up 0.5 million tons in Australia, reflecting the higher 2012/13 wheat production estimate, and down 0.3 million tons in Kazakhstan, based on an adjustment of wheat food and feed consumption series for a number of years. Small offsetting changes are made for beginning stocks for the EU and South Africa.

World Wheat Use Up Slightly, Feed Use Trimmed

Global consumption of wheat in 2013/14 is projected up 1.0 million tons this month to 704.5 million mostly reflecting local marketing year adjustments to imports and exports as changes to feed and food use are mostly offsetting (for detailed explanation of how changes in exports and imports can affect calculated global consumption, see the special article in the *Feed Outlook* published in June 2013 <http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/ers/FDS//2010s/2013/FDS-06-14-2013.pdf>). A 1.0-million-ton reduction in wheat feed use is forecast for the EU, as wheat is being partly replaced with corn and rye in feeding, thereby creating the potential for additional wheat exports. Projected feed and residual use is up in Canada by 0.2 million tons, reflecting increased wheat availability. In Egypt and Korea, wheat feeding is also up 0.2 million tons, each, with higher projected imports of low quality wheat. Wheat feed use is trimmed 0.1 million tons in Kazakhstan as a result of a consumption series revision. Reflecting higher projected wheat imports, food use is projected higher in Bangladesh and Syria, up 0.2 million tons each, and by a slight amount in Azerbaijan.

World Wheat Ending Stocks Prospects Up 2.4 Percent This Month

World wheat ending stocks for 2013/14 are projected to reach 182.8 million tons, up 4.3 million this month. However, although this stocks figure is about 7.0 million tons higher compared to a year earlier, the projected ending-stocks-to-use ratio is still under 26 percent, on par with the last year, and the lowest since 2007/08. Increased 2013/14 wheat production prospects are boosting ending stocks this month for Canada, up 2.6 million tons to 9.9 million, the highest level in 20 years; and for Australia, up 1.0 million tons to 4.8 million. With higher projected imports, wheat ending stocks are projected higher 0.3 million tons for both Egypt (where stocks are still the lowest in 6 years) and Mexico. Projected ending stocks are also up 0.3 million tons for the United States, reflecting higher wheat import prospects from Canada. Smaller offsetting changes in wheat ending stocks are projected for Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, the EU, Kazakhstan, and South Africa.

World Wheat Trade Breaks the Record

Projected world wheat trade for the international 2013/14 July-June trade year is further increased this month by 2.2 million tons, to a record 154.3 million. This surpasses the previous record of 2011/12 by 0.5 million tons. A substantial increase in projected wheat supplies of major wheat-producing and -exporting countries puts further downward pressure on wheat prices. Wheat-importing countries are taking advantage of this opportunity to import and use more competitively priced, lower quality wheat. Wheat imports are projected higher this month for Egypt, up 0.5 million tons to 10.0 million. The higher pace of wheat purchases and recent General Authority for Supply Commodities (GASC) tenders give an indication that the country is on the way to import wheat quantities that are closer to its usual (before the political crisis) level of imports. In the last tumultuous year when the Egyptian pound was devalued vis-à-vis the US dollar by almost 20 percent, thereby increasing prices for imports, Egypt imported just 8.3 million tons of wheat. This year the Egyptian economy and import potential is expected to be supported by sizeable financial assistance pledged by Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates (UAE), and Kuwait.

Imports are also increased for Mexico and Bangladesh, up 0.3 million tons each, in both cases based on pace and the prospect of a higher share of competitively priced Canadian wheat in their imports. Wheat imports are also up 0.2 million tons each for Azerbaijan, with higher inflow from Russia and Kazakhstan; for South Korea, which increased purchases of feed-quality wheat from India, Russia, and Ukraine; for Syria, where rebels control most of the farmland, while the Government has to provide food for the population in the Government-controlled part of the country; and for Turkey, a country where wheat flour exports are one of the main elements of demand. Turkish wheat exports are also projected up this month by 0.2 million tons. A very small increase is made for Mozambique, where some additional wheat import activity has recently been reported.

Export prospects are boosted for Canada and the EU, up 1.0 million tons each, to 22.5 and 25.0 million tons, respectively. For Canada, an increase in wheat exports for the local marketing year (August-July) is even larger, up 1.5 million tons to reach 23.0 million. The difference between the local and international trade year exports for Canada reflects expectation that record wheat stocks will allow Canada to export an additional 0.5 million tons of wheat in July 2014, compared to July 2013. Projected exports for Canada are the highest since 1991/92. Although logistical problems (especially the railway system) could hold back export activity, the mammoth crop should find its way to world markets. Given the lower quality of this year's Canadian wheat, it is possible that it could be competitive in countries such as Egypt that usually do not import from Canada, given the typically high quality of Canadian wheat output.

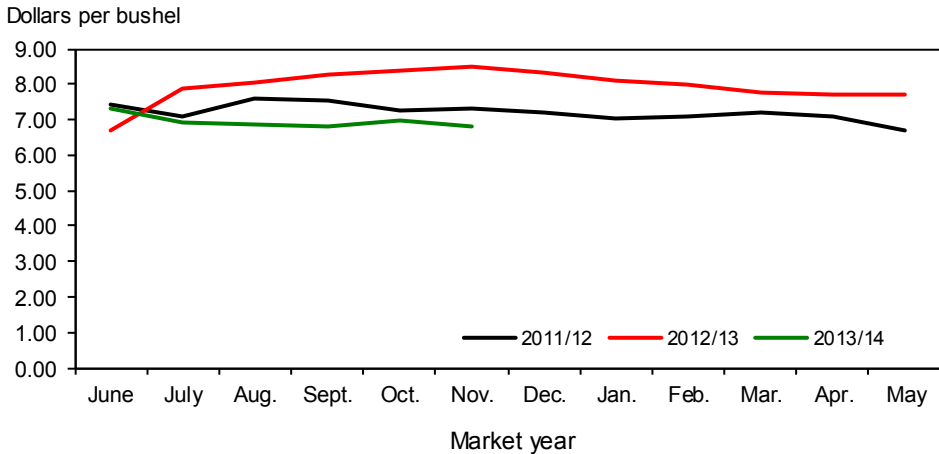
For the EU, projected exports almost reached the previous record of 2008/09. A vigorous pace of wheat exporting and export licensing, coupled with higher projected corn imports for feeding, suggest a shift from feeding to exporting wheat. Wheat exports are also up 0.2 million tons to 3.7 million for Turkey, due to the registered pace of flour and pasta shipments (see above).

Despite a boost to wheat supplies, the wheat export projection for the international trade year is unchanged for Australia. Nonetheless, a 0.5-million-ton increase in wheat exports is projected for its local marketing year that starts in October, reaching 19.5 million tons (19.0 million tons for the international trade year). This projection is based on expectations that July-September 2014 wheat exports will exceed those during July-September of 2013.

U.S. trade year imports are up 0.25 million tons to 4.2 million this month, which is 0.8 million tons higher than last year. The projection is based on the expectation that some additional wheat from the Canadian Prairies will move into the United States, and end up being blended with domestic wheat.

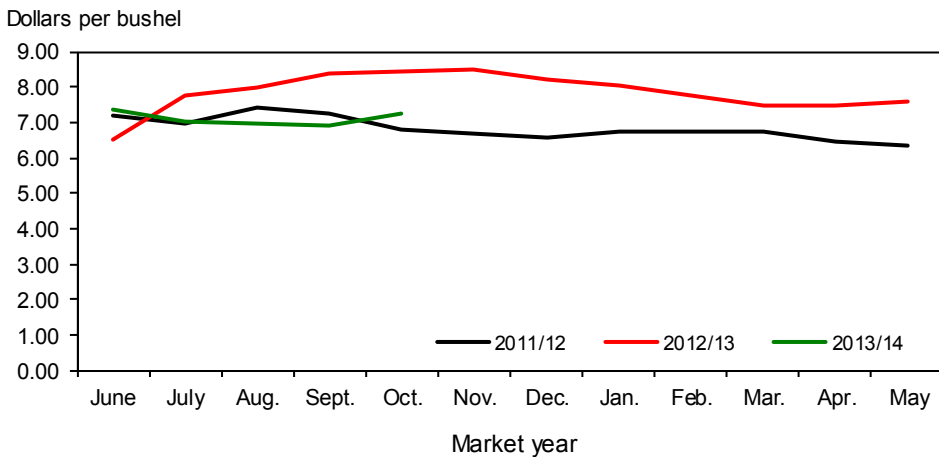
The U.S. wheat export forecast for 2013/14 is unchanged this month at 30.0 million tons. Exports have been very strong in the first months of the season, but have been slowing down. Ample wheat supplies in Canada and Australia, as well as strong exports from the EU, are the reasons why the United States is losing market share in its customary markets, specifically Mexico, Nigeria, and Japan.

Figure 1
All wheat average prices received by farmers



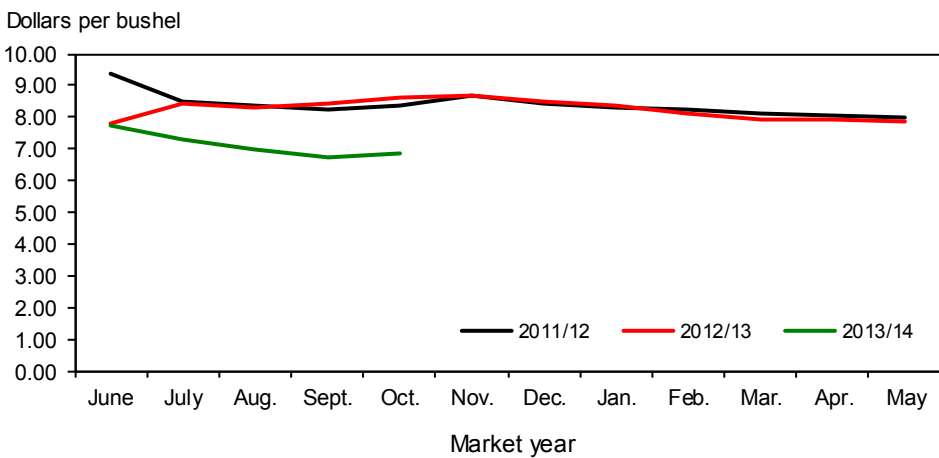
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Figure 2
Hard red winter wheat average prices received by farmers



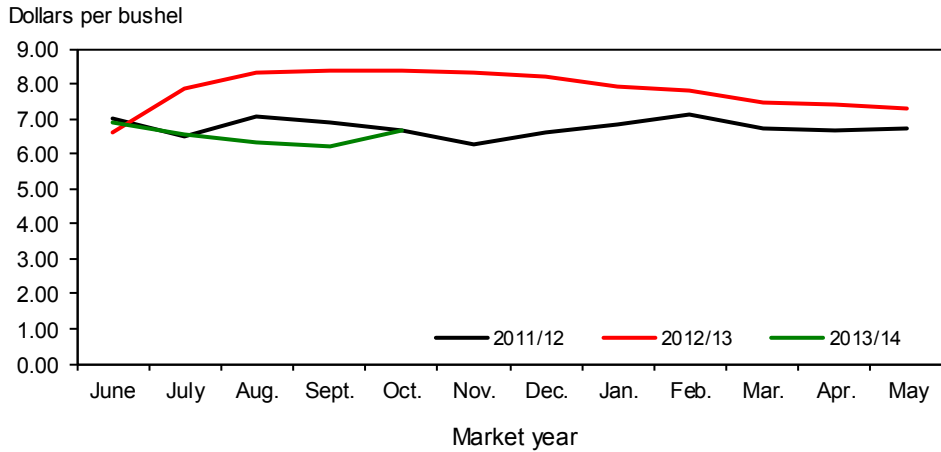
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Hard red spring wheat average prices received by farmers



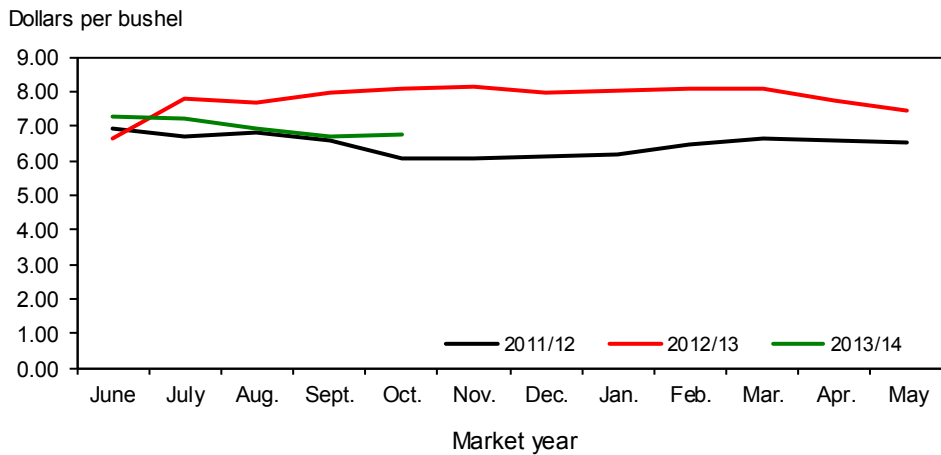
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Figure 4
Soft red winter wheat average prices received by farmers



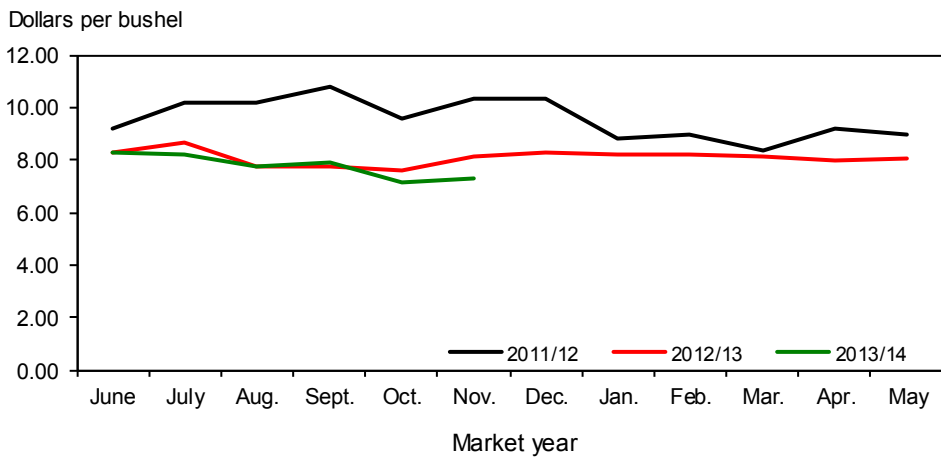
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Figure 5
Soft white wheat average prices received by farmers



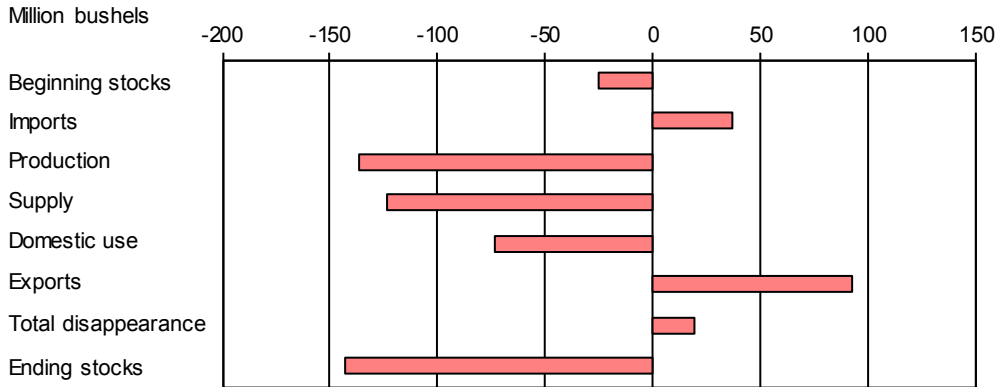
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Figure 6
Durum wheat average prices received by farmers



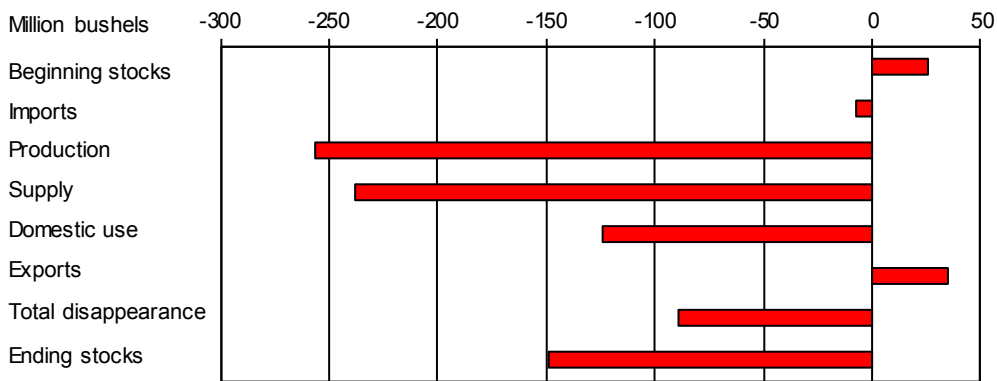
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Figure 7
All wheat: U.S. supply and disappearance change from prior market year



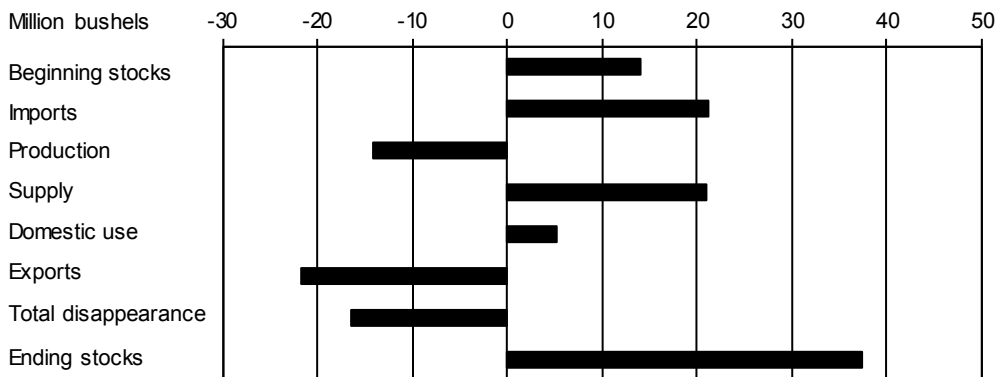
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Figure 8
Hard red winter wheat: U.S. supply and disappearance change from prior market year



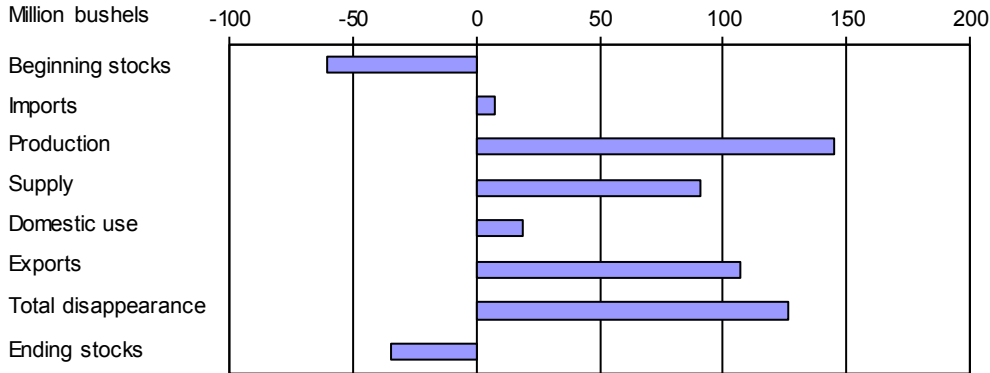
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Figure 9
Hard red spring wheat: U.S. supply and disappearance change from prior market year



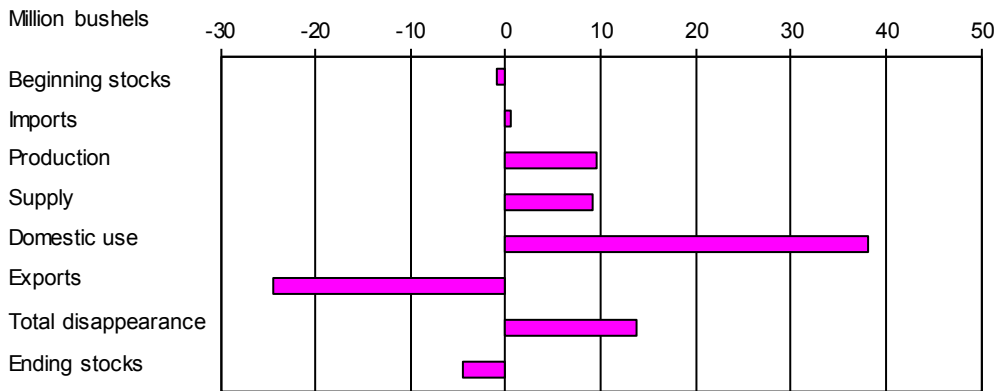
Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*.

Figure 10
Soft red winter wheat: U.S. supply and disappearance change from prior market year



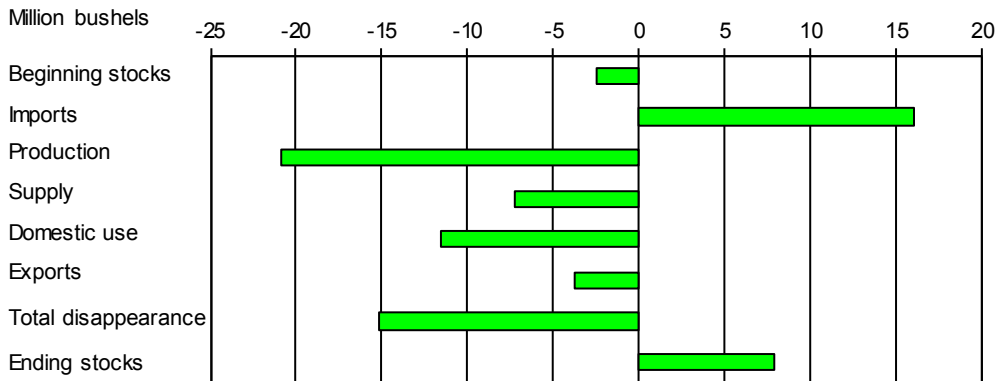
Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*.

Figure 11
White wheat: U.S. supply and disappearance change from prior market year



Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*.

Figure 12
Durum: U.S. supply and disappearance change from prior market year



Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*.

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Table 1--Wheat: U.S. market year supply and disappearance, 12/12/2013

Item and unit		2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Area:								
Planted	Million acres	60.5	63.2	59.2	53.6	54.4	55.7	56.2
Harvested	Million acres	51.0	55.7	49.9	47.6	45.7	48.9	45.2
Yield	Bushels per acre	40.2	44.9	44.5	46.3	43.7	46.3	47.2
Supply:								
Beginning stocks	Million bushels	456.2	305.8	656.5	975.6	862.2	742.6	717.9
Production	Million bushels	2,051.1	2,499.2	2,218.1	2,206.9	1,999.3	2,266.0	2,129.7
Imports 1/	Million bushels	112.6	127.0	118.6	96.9	112.1	122.8	160.0
Total supply	Million bushels	2,619.9	2,932.0	2,993.2	3,279.5	2,973.7	3,131.4	3,007.6
Disappearance:								
Food use	Million bushels	947.9	926.8	918.9	925.6	941.4	945.0	950.0
Seed use	Million bushels	87.6	78.0	69.5	70.9	76.2	73.0	73.0
Feed and residual use	Million bushels	16.0	255.2	149.8	129.3	162.4	388.1	310.0
Total domestic use	Million bushels	1,051.4	1,260.0	1,138.2	1,125.8	1,180.0	1,406.2	1,333.0
Exports 1/	Million bushels	1,262.6	1,015.4	879.3	1,291.4	1,051.1	1,007.4	1,100.0
Total disappearance	Million bushels	2,314.1	2,275.4	2,017.5	2,417.2	2,231.0	2,413.5	2,433.0
Ending stocks	Million bushels	305.8	656.5	975.6	862.2	742.6	717.9	574.6
Stocks-to-use ratio		13.2	28.9	48.4	35.7	33.3	29.7	23.6
Loan rate	Dollars per bushel	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.94	2.94	2.94	2.94
Contract/direct payment rate	Dollars per bushel	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52
Farm price 3/	Dollars per bushel	6.48	6.78	4.87	5.70	7.24	7.77	6.65-7.15
Government payments	Million dollars	1,118						
Market value of production	Million dollars	13,289	16,626	10,654	12,827	14,323	17,607	14,695

Latest market year is projected; previous market year is estimated. Totals may not add due to rounding.

1/ Includes flour and selected other products expressed in grain-equivalent bushels.

2/ Stocks owned by USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). Most CCC-owned inventory is in the Bill Emerson Humanitarian Trust.

3/ U.S. season-average price based on monthly prices weighted by monthly marketings. Prices do not include an allowance for loans outstanding and government purchases.

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates and supporting materials.

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Table 2--Wheat by class: U.S. market year supply and disappearance, 12/12/2013

Market year, item, and unit		All wheat	Hard red winter 1/	Hard red spring 1/	Soft red winter 1/	White 1/	Durum	
2012/13	Area:							
	Planted acreage	Million acres	55.67	29.77	11.69	8.12	3.93	2.15
	Harvested acreage	Million acres	48.92	24.57	11.48	6.97	3.77	2.13
	Yield	Bushels per acre	46.32	40.70	43.95	60.27	68.62	38.83
	Supply:							
	Beginning stocks	Million bushels	742.62	317.15	151.00	185.00	64.00	25.47
	Production	Million bushels	2,266.03	1,000.01	504.52	419.80	258.91	82.80
	Imports 2/	Million bushels	122.76	17.67	43.85	17.86	7.40	35.97
	Total supply	Million bushels	3,131.40	1,334.83	699.37	622.67	330.31	144.24
	Disappearance:							
	Food use	Million bushels	945.03	400.03	228.00	152.00	85.00	80.00
	Seed use	Million bushels	73.01	33.32	13.10	19.11	5.51	1.97
	Feed and residual use	Million bushels	388.11	178.70	61.66	134.91	2.31	10.53
	Total domestic use	Million bushels	1,406.15	612.05	302.76	306.02	92.82	92.50
	Exports 2/	Million bushels	1,007.36	379.94	231.61	192.64	174.49	28.69
	Total disappearance	Million bushels	2,413.51	991.99	534.37	498.67	267.31	121.19
	Ending stocks	Million bushels	717.89	342.84	165.00	124.00	63.00	23.05
2013/14	Area:							
	Planted acreage	Million acres	56.16	29.57	10.94	10.02	4.16	1.47
	Harvested acreage	Million acres	45.16	20.22	10.70	8.87	3.95	1.42
	Yield	Bushels per acre	46.92	36.80	45.84	63.67	65.26	43.57
	Supply:							
	Beginning stocks	Million bushels	717.89	342.84	165.00	124.00	63.00	23.05
	Production	Million bushels	2,129.70	744.03	490.39	564.91	268.45	61.91
	Imports 2/	Million bushels	160.00	10.00	65.00	25.00	8.00	52.00
	Total supply	Million bushels	3,007.58	1,096.87	720.39	713.91	339.45	136.96
	Disappearance:							
	Food use	Million bushels	950.00	366.00	266.00	155.00	85.00	78.00
	Seed use	Million bushels	73.00	32.00	17.00	15.00	6.00	3.00
	Feed and residual use	Million bushels	310.00	90.00	25.00	155.00	40.00	.00
	Total domestic use	Million bushels	1,333.00	488.00	308.00	325.00	131.00	81.00
	Exports 2/	Million bushels	1,100.00	415.00	210.00	300.00	150.00	25.00
	Total disappearance	Million bushels	2,433.00	903.00	518.00	625.00	281.00	106.00
	Ending stocks	Million bushels	574.58	193.87	202.39	88.91	58.45	30.96

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1/ Area and yield data are unpublished National Agricultural Statistics Service data. Supply and disappearance data, except production, are approximations.

2/ Includes flour and selected other products expressed in grain-equivalent bushels.

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Crop Production and unpublished data; and USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates and supporting materials.

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Table 3--Wheat: U.S. quarterly supply and disappearance (million bushels), 12/12/2013

Market year and quarter		Production	Imports 1/	Total supply	Food use	Seed use	Feed and residual use	Exports 1/	Ending stocks
2005/06	Jun-Aug	2,103	19	2,662	231	2	261	244	1,923
	Sep-Nov		20	1,944	238	50	-61	286	1,429
	Dec-Feb		20	1,450	219	1	4	252	972
	Mar-May		22	995	228	24	-49	220	571
	Mkt. year	2,103	81	2,725	917	77	157	1,003	571
2006/07	Jun-Aug	1,808	26	2,406	235	2	205	214	1,751
	Sep-Nov		29	1,780	243	56	-47	212	1,315
	Dec-Feb		32	1,346	225	1	28	235	857
	Mar-May		34	891	234	22	-69	247	456
	Mkt. year	1,808	122	2,501	938	82	117	908	456
2007/08	Jun-Aug	2,051	30	2,538	240	1	257	323	1,717
	Sep-Nov		21	1,738	245	60	-120	421	1,132
	Dec-Feb		24	1,156	227	2	-44	261	709
	Mar-May		37	746	236	25	-77	257	306
	Mkt. year	2,051	113	2,620	948	88	16	1,263	306
2008/09	Jun-Aug	2,499	28	2,833	236	2	393	345	1,858
	Sep-Nov		28	1,886	238	54	-124	295	1,422
	Dec-Feb		36	1,458	219	1	28	170	1,040
	Mar-May		35	1,075	233	21	-41	206	657
	Mkt. year	2,499	127	2,932	927	78	255	1,015	657
2009/10	Jun-Aug	2,218	28	2,902	231	1	261	200	2,209
	Sep-Nov		24	2,234	237	45	-83	252	1,782
	Dec-Feb		30	1,812	222	1	31	201	1,356
	Mar-May		37	1,393	229	21	-59	227	976
	Mkt. year	2,218	119	2,993	919	69	150	879	976
2010/11	Jun-Aug	2,207	27	3,210	235	2	259	265	2,450
	Sep-Nov		24	2,473	242	52	-63	311	1,933
	Dec-Feb		23	1,956	221	1		308	1,425
	Mar-May		22	1,448	228	16	-67	407	862
	Mkt. year	2,207	97	3,279	926	71	129	1,291	862
2011/12	Jun-Aug	1,999	21	2,882	230	5	206	295	2,147
	Sep-Nov		32	2,179	244	51	-17	238	1,663
	Dec-Feb		30	1,693	231	1	43	217	1,199
	Mar-May		29	1,228	236	19	-71	301	743
	Mkt. year	1,999	112	2,974	941	76	162	1,051	743
2012/13	Jun-Aug	2,266	25	3,034	238	1	426	264	2,105
	Sep-Nov		33	2,137	247	55	-32	197	1,671
	Dec-Feb		35	1,705	225	1	10	234	1,235
	Mar-May		30	1,265	236	15	-16	312	718
	Mkt. year	2,266	123	3,131	945	73	388	1,007	718
2013/14	Jun-Aug	2,130	35	2,882	237	3	427	359	1,857
	Mkt. year	2,130	160	3,008	950	73	310	1,100	575

Latest market year is projected; previous market year is estimated. Totals may not add due to rounding.

1/ Includes flour and selected other products expressed in grain-equivalent bushels.

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board, World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates and supporting materials.

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Table 4--Wheat: Monthly food disappearance estimates (1,000 grain-equivalent bushels), 12/12/2013

Mkt year and month 1/	Wheat ground for flour	+	Food imports 2/	+	Nonmilled food use 3/	-	Food exports 2/	=	Food use 4/
2011/12	Jun	70,554		2,237		2,000		1,743	73,048
	Jul	72,573		2,098		2,000		1,327	75,344
	Aug	79,317		2,308		2,000		2,390	81,235
	Sep	76,269		2,245		2,000		1,652	78,863
	Oct	81,402		2,247		2,000		1,487	84,162
	Nov	77,915		2,568		2,000		1,763	80,720
	Dec	73,135		2,464		2,000		1,291	76,308
	Jan	74,522		2,579		2,000		1,233	77,868
	Feb	73,931		2,057		2,000		1,330	76,658
	Mar	78,437		2,555		2,000		1,843	81,149
	Apr	74,497		2,622		2,000		1,513	77,606
	May	76,171		2,530		2,000		2,310	78,390
2012/13	Jun	72,876		2,173		2,000		1,760	75,290
	Jul	75,861		2,296		2,000		2,912	77,245
	Aug	82,910		2,345		2,000		2,193	85,063
	Sep	79,725		2,069		2,000		2,283	81,511
	Oct	81,567		2,462		2,000		1,840	84,189
	Nov	78,073		2,438		2,000		1,613	80,897
	Dec	73,283		2,369		2,000		1,442	76,210
	Jan	72,290		2,191		2,000		1,550	74,931
	Feb	71,716		2,101		2,000		1,674	74,143
	Mar	76,088		2,391		2,000		1,744	78,734
	Apr	74,750		2,581		2,000		1,432	77,899
	May	76,429		2,530		2,000		2,042	78,917
2013/14	Jun	73,123		2,277		2,000		2,430	74,970
	Jul	74,417		2,519		2,000		1,474	77,461
	Aug	81,332		2,548		2,000		1,450	84,431
	Sep	78,207		2,271		2,000		1,498	80,981
	Oct			2,700				1,845	855

1/ Current year is preliminary. Previous year is preliminary through August of current year, estimated afterwards.

2/ Food imports and exports used to calculate total food use. Includes all categories of wheat flour, semolina, bulgur, and couscous and selected categories of pasta.

3/ Wheat prepared for food use by processes other than milling.

4/ Estimated food use equals wheat ground for flour plus food imports plus nonmilled food use minus food exports. See <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/Wheat/wheatfooduse.htm> for more information.

Source: Data through the 2nd quarter of 2011 was calculated using data from U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census' Flour Milling Products (MQ311A) and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis' Foreign Trade Statistics. Subsequent flour milling calculations are based on data from the North American Millers Association.

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Table 5--Wheat: National average price received by farmers (dollars per bushel) 1/, 12/12/2013

Month	All wheat		Winter		Durum		Other spring	
	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14
June	6.70	7.32	6.55	7.18	8.31	8.26	7.78	7.72
July	7.89	6.93	7.76	6.85	8.67	8.17	8.39	7.29
August	8.04	6.87	7.92	6.81	7.76	7.76	8.27	6.97
September	8.27	6.80	8.25	6.79	7.77	7.90	8.38	6.71
October	8.38	7.00	8.33	7.07	7.61	7.12	8.56	6.84
November	8.47	6.80	8.38	6.73	8.11	7.30	8.65	6.84
December	8.30		8.15		8.31		8.48	
January	8.12		8.01		8.24		8.34	
February	7.97		7.85		8.19		8.11	
March	7.79		7.63		8.12		7.95	
April	7.71		7.52		8.01		7.90	
May	7.68		7.49		8.06		7.84	

1/ Preliminary mid-month, weighted-average price for current month.

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Agricultural Prices.

Table 6--Wheat: National average prices received by farmers by class (dollars per bushel), 12/12/2013

Month	Hard red winter		Soft red winter		Hard red spring		White	
	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14
June	6.53	7.35	6.59	6.92	7.81	7.73	6.61	7.29
July	7.74	7.04	7.84	6.55	8.41	7.29	7.76	7.19
August	7.97	6.94	8.30	6.34	8.32	6.98	7.66	6.90
September	8.36	6.92	8.38	6.19	8.42	6.72	7.99	6.71
October	8.43	7.24	8.35	6.66	8.60	6.85	8.10	6.76
November	8.49		8.34		8.69		8.14	
December	8.20		8.19		8.50		7.99	
January	8.02		7.90		8.38		8.03	
February	7.75		7.78		8.11		8.05	
March	7.50		7.46		7.94		8.05	
April	7.49		7.42		7.91		7.71	
May	7.56		7.31		7.86		7.42	

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Agricultural Prices.

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Table 7--Wheat: Average cash grain bids at principal markets, 12/12/2013

Month	No. 1 hard red winter (ordinary protein) Kansas City, MO (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 hard red winter (13% protein) Kansas City, MO (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 hard red winter (ordinary protein) Portland, OR (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 hard red winter (ordinary protein) Texas Gulf, TX 1/ (dollars per metric ton)	
	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14
June	7.61	8.32	8.13	8.65	6.75	8.44	276.31	313.42
July	9.13	8.14	9.73	8.36	8.66	7.96	345.76	304.79
August	9.43	8.12	9.77	8.16	9.07	7.99	349.07	305.52
September	9.56	--	9.86	--	9.27	--	353.29	307.54
October	9.62	8.70	9.97	8.82	9.39	--	358.07	325.00
November	9.73	8.44	10.04	8.31	9.62	7.85	360.64	--
December	9.36	--	9.71	--	9.26	--	347.78	--
January	9.09	--	9.41	--	8.91	--	335.47	--
February	8.70	--	9.04	--	8.66	--	318.94	--
March	8.35	--	8.72	--	8.62	--	309.75	--
April	8.30	--	8.75	--	8.59	--	308.28	--
May	8.53	--	8.90	--	8.79	--	319.12	--
Month	No. 1 dark northern spring (13% protein) Chicago, IL (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 dark northern spring (14% protein) Chicago, IL (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 dark northern spring (14% protein) Portland, OR (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 hard amber durum Minneapolis, MN (dollars per bushel)	
	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14
June	9.02	9.08	9.31	9.18	9.08	9.13	--	--
July	10.06	8.56	10.12	8.57	9.17	8.59	--	--
August	9.70	8.10	9.71	8.37	9.79	8.39	--	--
September	9.81	--	9.82	--	9.86	--	--	--
October	10.22	8.63	10.17	8.78	9.66	8.40	--	--
November	10.12	8.22	10.15	8.39	10.21	8.28	--	--
December	9.82	--	9.83	--	9.85	--	--	--
January	9.34	--	9.43	--	9.48	--	--	--
February	9.24	--	9.33	--	9.34	--	--	--
March	9.08	--	9.17	--	9.45	--	--	--
April	8.77	--	9.11	--	9.30	--	--	--
May	--	--	9.15	--	9.30	--	--	--
Month	No. 2 soft red winter St. Louis, MO (dollars per bushel)		No. 2 soft red winter Chicago, IL (dollars per bushel)		No. 2 soft red winter Toledo, OH (dollars per bushel)		No. 1 soft white Portland, OR (dollars per bushel)	
	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14	2012/13	2013/14
June	6.64	7.22	6.56	6.94	6.62	6.75	6.97	--
July	8.46	6.72	8.57	6.60	8.70	6.50	8.53	7.23
August	8.60	--	8.70	6.26	8.69	6.32	8.69	7.32
September	8.60	6.31	8.62	6.41	8.59	6.32	8.77	--
October	8.41	--	8.49	--	8.40	--	8.75	7.27
November	8.52	6.52	8.58	6.46	8.38	6.29	8.87	7.04
December	8.04	--	8.03	--	7.91	--	8.56	--
January	7.88	--	7.69	--	7.40	--	8.53	--
February	7.70	--	7.40	--	7.10	--	8.59	--
March	7.41	--	7.18	--	7.00	--	8.16	--
April	7.41	--	6.97	--	6.87	--	7.93	--
May	7.22	--	7.01	--	6.91	--	7.71	--

-- = Not available or no quote.

1/ Free on board.

Source: USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, State Grain Reports, <http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateS&navID=MarketNewsAndTransportationData&leftNav=MarketNewsAndTransportationData&page=LSMarketNewsPa geStateGrainReports>.

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Table 8--Wheat: U.S. exports and imports for last 6 months (1,000 bushels), 12/12/2013

Item		May 2013	Jun 2013	Jul 2013	Aug 2013	Sep 2013	Oct 2013
Exports	All wheat grain	96,400	98,174	113,731	141,038	151,309	94,466
	All wheat flour 1/	1,506	1,623	986	846	1,014	1,219
	All wheat products 2/	704	927	533	656	502	689
	Total all wheat	98,610	100,724	115,250	142,540	152,825	96,375
Imports	All wheat grain	7,689	8,104	9,516	9,502	16,349	12,470
	All wheat flour 1/	1,019	875	927	960	871	1,001
	All wheat products 2/	1,534	1,416	1,612	1,609	1,413	1,725
	Total all wheat	10,241	10,396	12,055	12,072	18,633	15,197

Totals may not add due to rounding.

1/ Expressed in grain-equivalent bushels. Includes meal, groats, and durum.

2/ Expressed in grain-equivalent bushels. Includes bulgur, couscous, and selected categories of pasta.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics; and ERS calculations using Census trade statistics.

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Table 9--Wheat: U.S. exports, Census and export sales comparison (1,000 metric tons)

Importing country	2011/12		2012/13		2013/14 (as of 11/28/13)		
					Shipments	standing	Total
Data source	Census 1/	Export sales 2/	Census 1/	Export sales 2/	Export sales 2/		
Country:							
China	542	534	883	743	3,669	418	4,088
Japan	3,513	3,512	3,639	3,544	1,286	376	1,662
Mexico	3,794	3,496	2,907	2,760	1,512	629	2,141
Nigeria	3,228	3,248	3,031	3,002	1,408	446	1,854
Philippines	2,050	2,039	1,850	1,965	862	423	1,284
Korean Rep.	2,133	1,983	1,311	1,385	482	440	921
Egypt	916	950	1,737	1,678	58	110	168
Taiwan	893	888	1,065	1,038	518	94	189
Indonesia	794	830	488	534	504	41	545
Venezuela	642	594	632	631	309	101	410
Iraq	571.8	572	209	209	0	0	0
EU-27	1,186	1,228	1,323	971	337	101	439
Total grain	27,951	26,627	26,837	26,348	17,318	5,288	22,606
Total (including products)	28,563	26,813	27,116	26,410	17,347	5,297	22,644
USDA forecast of Census				27,416			29,937

1/ Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau

2/ Source: USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service, *U.S. Export Sales*.