



# U.S. Wheat Associates

## Weekly Price Report (page 1)

June 28, 2019

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Export Region	Percent Protein 12% (Dry) Moisture Basis		JUL (U19)			JUL (U19)		AUG (U19)		SEP (U19)		OCT (Z19)		NOV (Z19)		DEC (Z19)		JAN (H20)		Year Ago (nearbys) \$/MT		
			(nearbys) FOB \$/bu	week change \$/bu		FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu	FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu	FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu	FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu	FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu	FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu	FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu		FOB \$/MT	Basis ¢/bu
Great Lakes	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)	M	6.04	0.18	7	222	50	220	45	220	45	225	45	225	45	225	45	230	45	215		
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)	M	6.09	0.18	7	224	55	222	50	222	50	227	50	227	50	227	50	232	50	225		
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)	M	6.14	0.18	7	226	60	224	55	224	55	229	55	229	55	229	55	234	55	238		
Gulf of Mexico	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)	M	7.04	0.18	7	259	150	257	145	257	145	260	140	262	145	262	145	267	145	258		
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)	M	7.09	0.18	7	261	155	259	150	259	150	262	145	264	150	264	150	269	150	267		
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)	M	7.14	0.18	7	262	160	261	155	261	155	264	150	265	155	265	155	270	155	289		
	HRW Ord	K	6.02	0.09	3	221	140	217	130	217	130	228	135	228	135	228	135	235	135	217		
	HRW 11.0 (12.5)	K	6.07	0.09	3	223	145	219	135	219	135	229	140	229	140	229	140	237	140	221		
	HRW 11.5 (13.1)	K	6.27	0.09	3	230	165	227	155	227	155	237	160	237	160	237	160	244	160	224		
	HRW 12.0 (13.6)	K	6.47	0.09	3	238	185	234	175	234	175	244	180	244	180	244	180	252	180	228		
	HRW 12.5 (14.2)	K	6.67	0.09	3	245	205	241	195	241	195	252	200	252	200	252	200	259	200	235		
SRW	C	6.27	-0.04	-1	230	100	227	90	227	90	229	85	231	90	231	90	235	90	214			
Pacific N. West	NS/DNS 13.5 (15.3)	M	6.49	0.13	5	239	95	239	95	240	100	245	100	247	105	251	115	256	115	243		
	NS/DNS 14.0 (15.9)	M	6.49	0.13	5	239	95	239	95	240	100	245	100	247	105	251	115	256	115	247		
	NS/DNS 14.5 (16.5)	M	6.59	0.13	5	242	105	242	105	244	110	249	110	251	115	254	125	259	125	252		
	HRW Ord	K	6.27	0.09	3	230	165	223	145	227	155	235	155	237	160	239	165	246	165	228		
	HRW 11.5 (13.1)	K	6.32	0.09	3	232	170	225	150	228	160	237	160	239	165	240	170	248	170	235		
	HRW 12.0 (13.6)	K	6.57	0.09	3	241	195	234	175	238	185	246	185	248	190	250	195	257	195	243		
	HRW 13.0 (14.8)	K	7.07	0.09	3	260	245	252	225	256	235	264	235	266	240	268	245	276	245	252		
	SW 9.5 (10.8) Min	\$	6.45	0.00	0	237	6.45	237	6.45	239	6.50	243	6.60	243	6.60	244	6.65	244	6.65	N/A		
	SW 10.5 (11.9) Max	\$	6.35	0.00	0	233	6.35	233	6.35	235	6.40	239	6.50	239	6.50	241	6.55	241	6.55	230		
	SW 9.5 (10.8) Max	\$	6.35	0.00	0	233	6.35	233	6.35	235	6.40	239	6.50	239	6.50	241	6.55	241	6.55	233		
WW with 10% Club	\$	6.38	0.00	0	234	6.38	234	6.38	236	6.43	240	6.53	240	6.53	242	6.58	242	6.58	231			
WW with 20% Club	\$	6.41	0.00	0	236	6.41	236	6.41	237	6.46	241	6.56	241	6.56	243	6.61	243	6.61	232			

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

Northern Durum offers from the Lakes range from \$6.12 to \$6.40/bu (\$225 to \$235/MT), and offers from Gulf ports range from \$7.21 to \$7.48/bu (\$265 to \$275/MT). For Desert Durum offers, contact your supplier.

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

### Futures Settlements as of

June 28, 2019

Grey positions not quoted on specific exchange

	AUG (Q19)		week change	SEP (U19)		week change	DEC (Z19)		week change	JAN (F20)		week change	MAR (H20)		week change	MAY (K20)		week change	JUL (N20)		week change	AUG (Q20)		week change
	\$/MT	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu	\$/bu
Chicago BOT SRW				5.2725	(0.0350)	5.3850	(0.0300)						5.4875	(0.0300)	5.5150	(0.0250)	5.4675	(0.0375)						
Kansas City BOT HRW				4.6150	(0.0300)	4.8450	(0.0200)						5.0500	(0.0225)	5.1650	(0.0300)	5.2000	(0.0675)						
Minneapolis MGE NS/DNS				5.5425	0.1025	5.6750	0.1075						5.8100	0.1025	5.8875	0.1000	5.9650	0.1025						
Chicago BOT Corn				4.2475	(0.2275)	4.3150	(0.2200)						4.3950	(0.1975)	4.4300	(0.1850)	4.4600	(0.1725)						
Chicago BOT Soybeans	332.35	9.0450	(0.0400)	9.1100	(0.0375)					9.3450	(0.0575)	9.4150	(0.0550)	9.4775	(0.0425)	9.5500	(0.0275)	9.5625	(0.0150)					

**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).**



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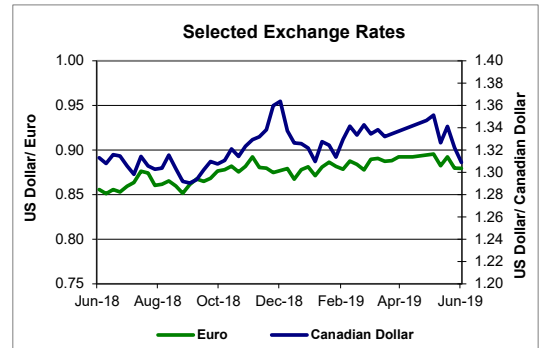
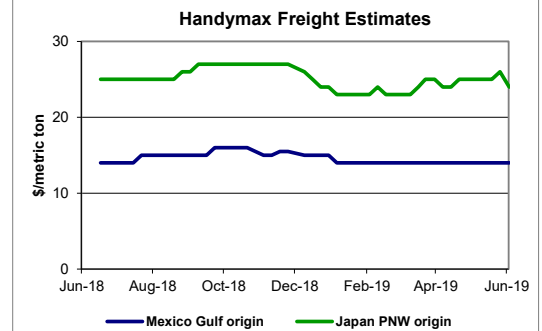
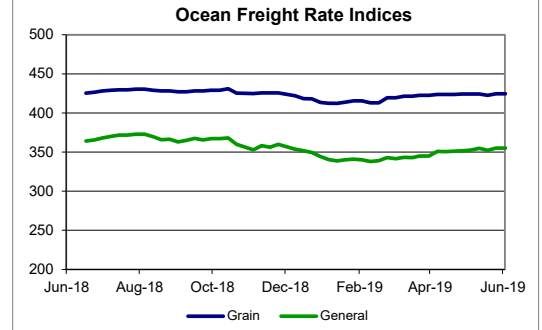
Ocean Freight Rate Estimates by Origin*		U.S. dollars/metric ton			Freight Index**	General Index	Grain Freight Index	Number of Fixtures
Export Region	Import Region	Handy 25-30 TMT	Handymax 40-46 TMT	Panamax 54+ TMT				
US Gulf	Mexico (Veracruz)	16	14		6/28/2019	359.5	428.8	502
	W. South America (Peru/Ecu)	28			6/21/2019	355.1	424.6	555
	S. South America (Chile)	26			6/14/2019	352.4	422.6	527
	N. America (Columbia)	19			6/7/2019	354.7	424.3	489
	E. South America (Brazil)	20			5/31/2019	352.6	424.3	524
	West Africa (Nigeria)	47			5/24/2019	351.6	424.3	587
	East Mediterranean (Italy)	37			5/17/2019	351.1	423.7	555
	West Mediterranean (Morocco)	35			5/10/2019	350.5	423.7	584
	Persian Gulf (Iraq)				5/3/2019	350.9	423.7	474
	Middle East (Egypt)				4/26/2019	347.4	424.3	514
	Japan		43	42	4/18/2019	345.0	422.7	442
Mid Atlantic	N. South America (Venezuela)	33			4/12/2019	343.0	421.5	621
	West Africa (Nigeria)	53			4/5/2019	343.2	421.5	576
	Middle East (Egypt)			47	3/29/2019	341.6	419.4	558
St. Lawrence	N. South America (Venezuela)	17			3/22/2019	343.1	419.4	642
	Europe/Rotterdam	14			3/15/2019	338.9	413.0	587
PNW	W. South America (Peru/Ecu)	26			2/1/2019	340.4	412.5	607
	S. South America (Chile)	30			1/25/2019	344.3	413.6	548
	N. South America (Colombia)	27			1/18/2019	349.5	418.0	631
	Persian Gulf (Iraq)			59	1/11/2019	351.6	418.2	738
	Middle East (Egypt)			29	1/4/2019	353.8	422.0	431
	East Africa (Djibouti/Mombasa)		43	41	12/28/2018	351.7	420.6	548
	South Asia (Mal/Indon/Phil/Sing)		37	29	12/21/2018	355.2	423.4	548
	Taiwan		35	33	12/14/2018	360.0	425.7	548
	South Korea		21	20	12/7/2018	356.3	425.7	595
	Japan	25	24		11/30/2018	358.2	425.7	669

Note: Rates for freight leaving the Great Lakes are quoted for 18,000 MT "Salties."

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
6/28/19	N/A	42.47	1.425	3.833	1.309	16.65	0.879	107.8	63.18
6/21/19	114.9	42.74	1.444	3.819	1.322	16.64	0.880	107.3	63.00
6/14/19	115.9	43.95	1.455	3.896	1.341	16.71	0.892	108.6	64.37
6/7/19	115.8	44.84	1.429	3.877	1.327	16.71	0.883	108.2	64.77
6/28/18	113.9	27.97	1.359	3.861	1.324	17.84	0.864	110.5	62.80
6/28/14	93.41	8.135	1.062	2.201	1.068	7.168	0.734	101.5	33.72
1 year change	N/A	51.84%	4.85%	-0.72%	-1.17%	-6.67%	1.75%	-2.43%	0.61%
5 year change	N/A	422.08%	34.24%	74.18%	22.51%	132.28%	19.82%	6.24%	87.40%



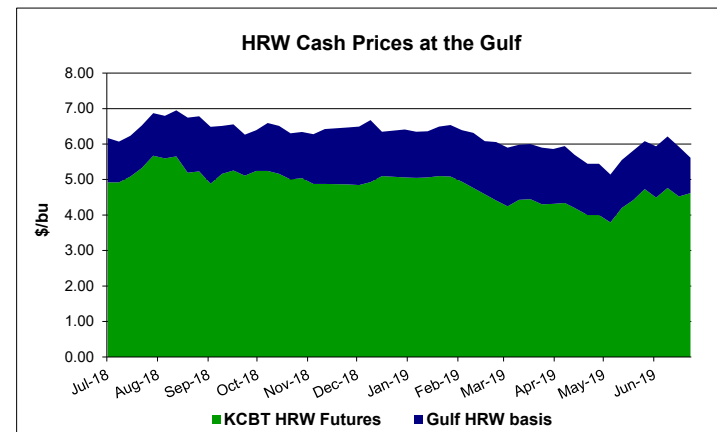
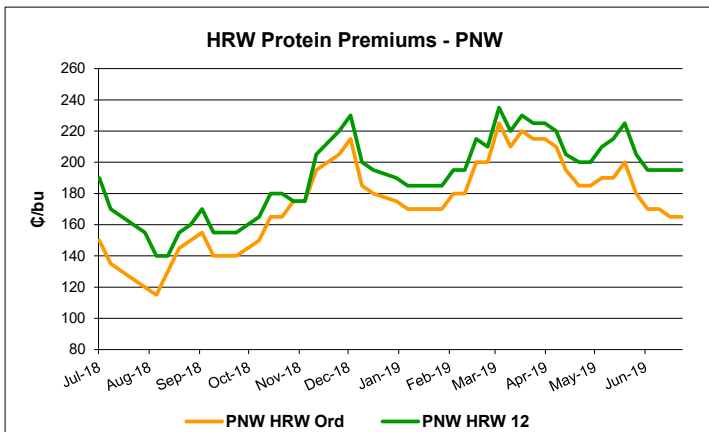
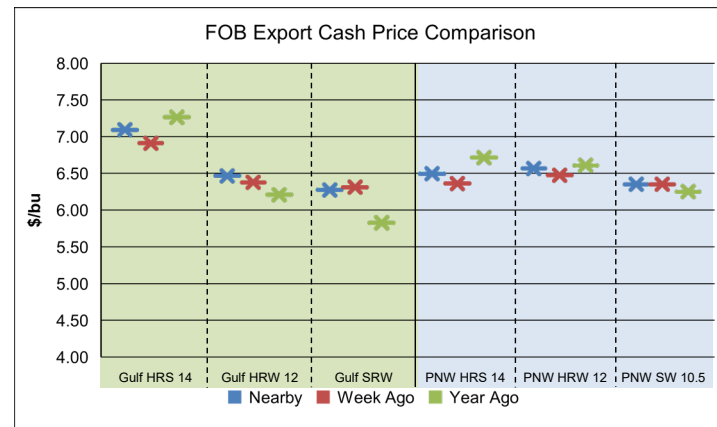
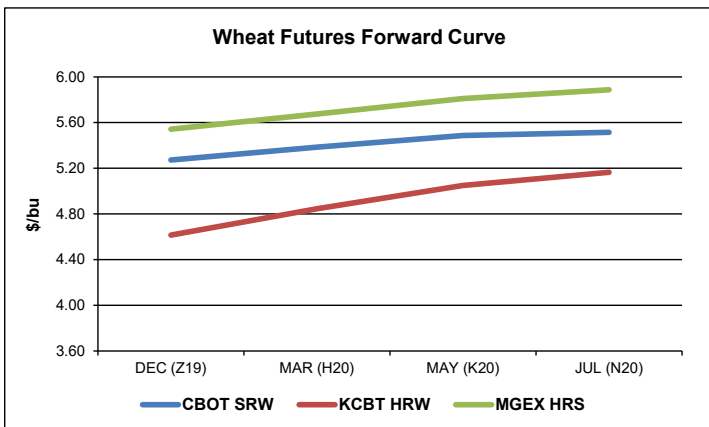
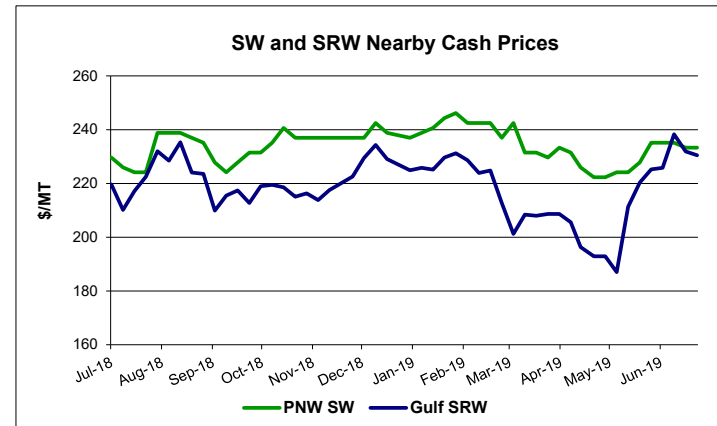
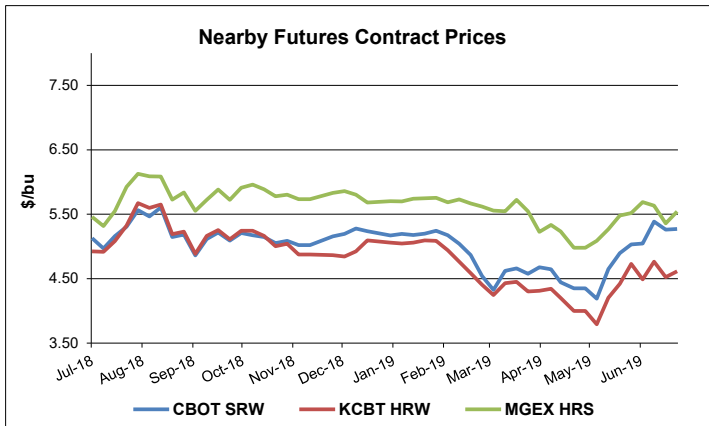
The weekly prices as reported by U.S. Wheat Associates are compiled through research from numerous market sources, including U.S. wheat exporters of all classes from various U.S. ports. The prices reported are representative of the value of number two grade and the proteins indicated. **They are not intended to represent offers nor should importers of U.S. wheat rely upon them as such. Additional factors may alter these prices significantly.**

These factors may include: (1) payment terms (differing from cash against documents which are the terms used in the U.S. Wheat Associates price report); (2) various quality factors, and method of quality certification; (3) loading terms (USW prices represent Free on Board and do not include loading rate guarantees, stevedoring costs or other elevator tariff charges); (4) different delivery periods than indicated in monthly prices reported by U.S. Wheat Associates.

U.S. Wheat Associates recommends regular contact with exporters of U.S. wheat in order to receive offers representative of your requirements.

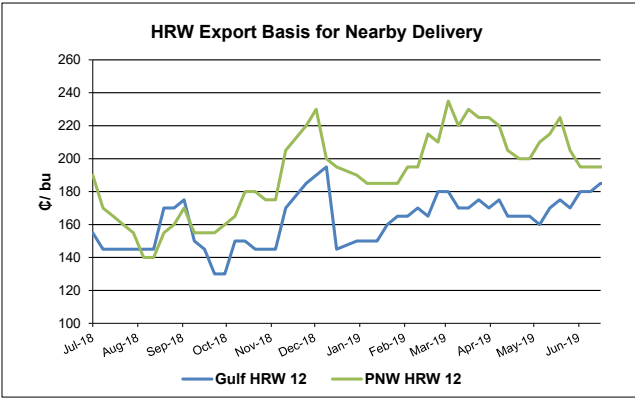
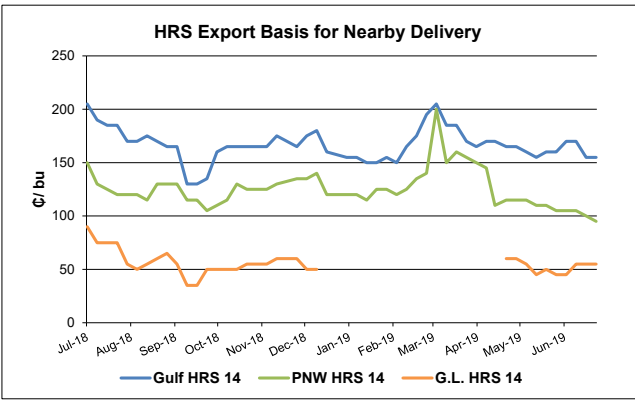
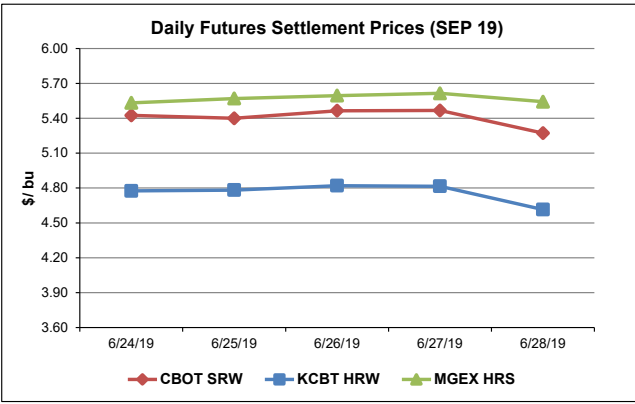
This contact will allow importers to review contract terms and better understand the U.S. grading system, role and function of the Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS).

Contact: For questions, please contact Claire Hutchins at (703) 650-0244 or chutchins@uswheat.org.





**Highlights**



- U.S. wheat future prices ended mixed this week on technical selling, expectations of much needed warmer, dryer weather for the winter wheat harvest and lower than expected spring wheat planted area according to USDA's June Acreage report (see below). Soft red winter (SRW) September futures fell 3 cents from last week to close at \$5.27/bu and hard red winter (HRW) September futures lost 3 cents to end at \$4.61/bu. Hard red spring (HRS) July futures gained 10 cents week-over-week to close at \$5.54/bu. CBOT September corn futures lost 23 cents to close at \$4.25/bu. CBOT August soybean futures lost 4 cents to end at \$9.11/bu.
- Limited export demand pressured Pacific Northwest (PNW) HRS export basis for July and August deliveries. Minimal farmer selling offset limited export demand for HRW and soft white wheat out of the PNW, holding export basis and export prices constant week-over-week. Limited elevation capacity kept Gulf HRS and HRW export basis steady and high July deliveries. Delayed harvest conditions for HRW elevated Gulf export basis for August deliveries. Limited export demand and more inland barge movement due to reduced flooding on the Mississippi River and its tributaries pressured SRW export basis for nearby and deferred deliveries out of the Gulf.
- In its June Acreage report, USDA reduced its estimate of all wheat planted area from 45.8 million acres in March to 45.6 million acres. Winter wheat planted area increased from the March estimate of 31.5 million acres to 31.8 million acres in June. Spring wheat planted area dropped 3% from the March estimate to 12.4 million acres and durum planted area fell from 1.42 million acres in March to 1.40 million acres in June.
- Net U.S. wheat sales as of June 20 of 612,000 metric tons (MT) for delivery in 2019/20 were more than triple last week's 188,000 MT and exceeded trade expectations of 200,000 MT to 500,000 MT. Year-to-date commercial sales of 6.95 million metric tons (MMT) are 25% ahead of last year's pace. USDA expects 2019/20 exports to total 24.5 MMT.
- The June 25 Drought Monitor reported excessively wet conditions across the Mississippi River Valley and the Ohio River Valley, though inland grain transportation logistics were less burdened than they have been for weeks. Beneficial rainfall alleviated areas under moderate to severe drought across HRS and durum producing regions in northern Montana and northern North Dakota. Looking ahead, warmer temperatures are expected from the Great Plains to the Midwest. Heavy rainfall is expected in the northern Great Plains and the upper Mississippi River Valley.
- USDA's June 24 Crop Progress report rated 61% of U.S. winter wheat in good or excellent condition, up significantly from last year's 37%. U.S. winter wheat harvest is only 15% complete compared to 39% last year and the 5-year average of 34%. U.S. spring wheat is 7% headed compared to 30% last year and the 5-year average of 29%. USDA reported 75% of U.S. spring wheat in good to excellent condition, down slightly from last week's 77%.
- The Buenos Aires Grains Exchange increased its forecast for 2019/20 wheat planted acres from 6.4 million hectares (15.8 million acres) to 6.6 million hectares (16.3 million acres) on high prices and beneficial rains.
- Agritel, a European agriculture consultancy, expects Russian 2019/20 winter wheat yields to jump 11% over last year to 4.03 MT/hectare (60.0 bu/acre). Spring wheat yields are expected to fall slightly below 2018/19 levels to 1.67 MT/hectare (24.8 bu/acre).
- According to Reuters, Ukrainian farmers have harvested 496,000 MT of wheat so far in 2019. This year's total grain harvest is expected to exceed last year's record 70.0 MMT.
- The Baltic Dry Index (BDI) jumped 12% week-over-week to end at 1,340. This marks the BDI's highest value since mid-December 2018.
- The U.S. Dollar Index fell to 96.16 from last week's 96.22.
- *In observance of the U.S. holiday on July 4, the U.S. Wheat Associates office will be closed July 4 and 5. Next week's Price Report will be released on Tuesday, July 2.*