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Report Highlights:

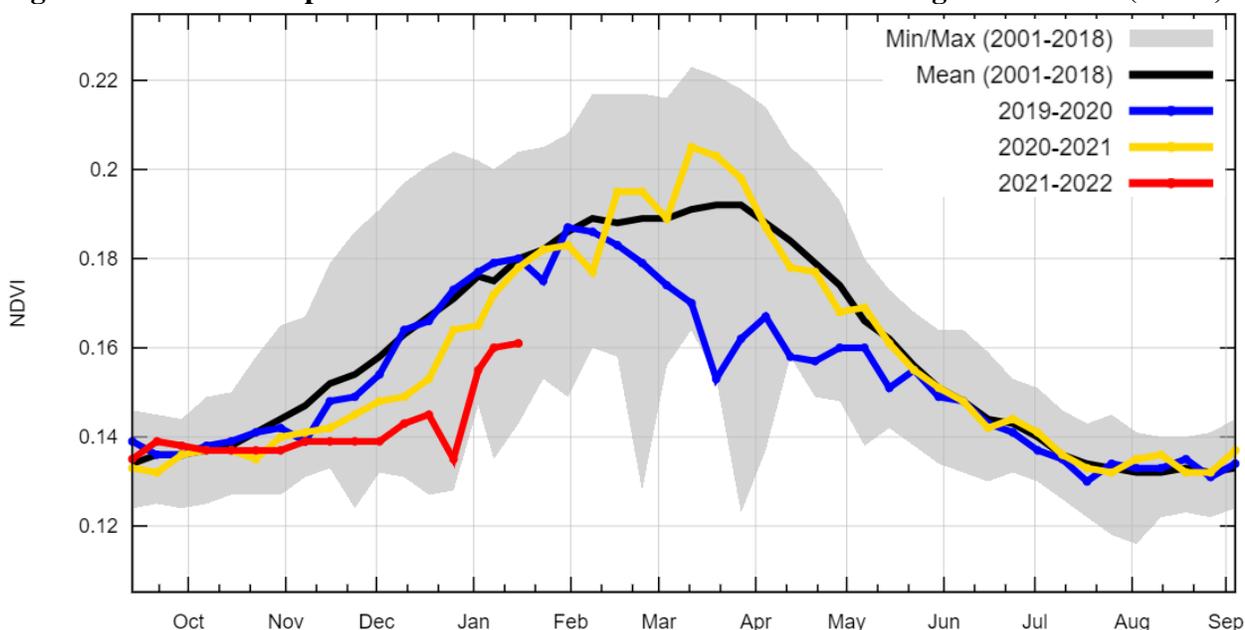
On November 1, 2021, the Government of Morocco suspended customs duties on durum wheat, common wheat, and its derivatives (1001.99.00.19 and 1001.99.00.90) until further notice. The Government of Morocco continues to subsidize bread wheat imports based on a fixed flat-rate premium in response to rising wheat prices due high freight costs and COVID-related inflation. Bread wheat subsidies will remain valid until April 30, 2022.

General Information:

Production Update

The late arrival of rains in 2021 delayed wheat and barley planting. Sowing in some areas was not completed until the end of December 2021. As of January 18, 2022, total area planted to cereals for common wheat, durum and barley is estimated by industry at 4 million hectares (HA), about 11 percent below the ten-year average. Post notes that although production has started with a below-average vegetation index, rainfall during March and April are critical for crop development and will determine the success of the 2022 production campaign. Post's PSD for MY 2022/23 will be published in its Grain & Feed Annual Report on April 1, 2022.

Figure 1: Morocco Crop Conditions-MODIS Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)



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Policy Update

On November 1, 2021, the Government of Morocco suspended customs duties on durum wheat (1001.19.00.10 and 1001.19.00.90), common wheat, and its derivatives (1001.99.00.19 and 1001.99.00.90). This decision is intended to keep the cost of imports at a competitive level and to build stocks. This measure will continue until further notice ([link](#)).

In response to rising wheat prices due to the COVID-19 pandemic and shipping costs that have surged in recent months, the Government of Morocco continues to subsidize bread wheat imports based on a fixed flat-rate premium. This measure is valid until April 30, 2022. ([link](#))

Trade Update

Wheat Imports by Marketing Year (MT Wheat Equivalent)

HS	Description	Marketing Year			Year to Date		
		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	06/20-11/20	06/21-11/21	%Δ
1001	Wheat and meslin	3,705,893	4,607,874	5,426,833	1,915,166	983,692	-48.64
190219*	Pasta (spaghetti, macaroni, etc), uncooked	13,859	14,784	14,383	6,816	6,295	-7.64
190230*	Pasta, prepared, nesoi	3,607	2,775	2,363	1,583	1,106	-30.13
1101*	Wheat or meslin flour	512	517	512	249	170	-31.73
190430*	Bulgur wheat, pre-cooked	71	60	60	27	35	-100
190240*	Couscous	5	7	26	14	9	-35.71
Total	PSD-wheat	3,723,947	4,626,017	5,444,178	1,923,854	991,308	-48.47

Source: Morocco office de change, *applied converting factor: 1.368, MY used for wheat June-May

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HS	Description	Marketing Year			Year to Date		
		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	06/20-06/20	06/21-06/21	%Δ
190240*	Couscous	31,283	36,835	55,816	24,253	24,263	0.04
190219*	Pasta (spaghetti, macaroni, etc), uncooked	14,351	17,788	13,069	6,201	8,630	39.17
190230*	pasta, prepared, nesoi	3,840	4,722	5,670	2,423	3,103	28.06
1101*	Wheat or meslin flour	26,187	3,427	1,956	973	756	-22.3
1001	Wheat and meslin	50	-	58	10	0	-100
190430*	Bulgur wheat, pre-cooked	-	-	-	0	0	0
Total	PSD-wheat	75,710	62,772	76,570	33,860	36,752	8.54

Source: Morocco office de change, *applied converting factor: 1.368, MY used for wheat June-May

Barley Imports by Marketing Year (MT)

Partner Country	Marketing Year			Year to Date		
	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	07/20-11/20	07/21-11/21	%Δ
EU 27	142,688	943,971	440,994	264,107	115,042	-56.44
Ukraine	8,249	131,649	12,099	12,099	50,238	315.22
Russia	-	-	25,041	25,041	-	-100
Syria	-	-	3,337	3,337	-	-100
Total	150,937	1,075,620	481,472	304,585	165,280	-45.74

Source: Morocco office de change, MY used for barley July-June

Production, Supply, and Distribution

Production, supply, and demand estimates were updated to reflect year-end trade data.

Wheat:

Wheat	2019/2020		2020/2021		2021/2022	
Market Year Begins	Jun 2019		Jun 2020		Jun 2021	
Morocco	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Area Harvested (1000 HA)	2,506	2,506	2,758	2,758	2,855	2,855
Beginning Stocks (1000 MT)	5,423	5,423	3,611	3,611	1,147	1,147
Production (1000 MT)	4,025	4,025	2,560	2,560	7,540	7,540
MY Imports (1000 MT)	4,626	4,626	5,444	5,444	4,500	4,500
TY Imports (1000 MT)	4,879	4,879	5,191	5,191	4,500	4,500
TY Imp. from U.S. (1000 MT)	32	32	0	0	0	0
Total Supply (1000 MT)	14,074	14,074	11,615	11,615	13,187	13,187
MY Exports (1000 MT)	63	63	68	68	75	75
TY Exports (1000 MT)	66	66	76	76	75	75
Feed and Residual (1000 MT)	400	400	300	300	500	500
FSI Consumption (1000 MT)	10,000	10,000	10,100	10,100	10,200	10,200
Total Consumption (1000 MT)	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,700	10,700
Ending Stocks (1000 MT)	3,611	3,611	1,147	1,147	2,412	2,412
Total Distribution (1000 MT)	14,074	14,074	11,615	11,615	13,187	13,187
Yield (MT/HA)	1.6061	1.6061	0.9282	0.9282	2.641	2.641

(1000 HA) ,(1000 MT) ,(MT/HA)
 MY = Marketing Year, begins with the month listed at the top of each column
 TY = Trade Year, which for Wheat begins in July for all countries. TY 2021/2022 = July 2021 - June 2022

Barley:

Barley	2019/2020		2020/2021		2021/2022	
Market Year Begins	Jul 2019		Jul 2020		Jul 2021	
Morocco	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Area Harvested (1000 HA)	1,050	1,050	1,467	1,467	1,490	1,490
Beginning Stocks (1000 MT)	411	411	128	148	64	109
Production (1000 MT)	1,161	1,161	640	640	2,780	2,780
MY Imports (1000 MT)	1,056	1,076	456	481	300	300
TY Imports (1000 MT)	1,073	1,080	456	446	300	300
TY Imp. from U.S. (1000 MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supply (1000 MT)	2,628	2,648	1,224	1,269	3,144	3,189
MY Exports (1000 MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TY Exports (1000 MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed and Residual (1000 MT)	1,700	1,700	560	560	1,700	1,700
FSI Consumption (1000 MT)	800	800	600	600	1,000	1,000
Total Consumption (1000 MT)	2,500	2,500	1,160	1,160	2,700	2,700
Ending Stocks (1000 MT)	128	148	64	109	444	489
Total Distribution (1000 MT)	2,628	2,648	1,224	1,269	3,144	3,189
Yield (MT/HA)	1.1057	1.1057	0.4363	0.4363	1.8658	1.8658

(1000 HA) ,(1000 MT) ,(MT/HA)
 MY = Marketing Year, begins with the month listed at the top of each column
 TY = Trade Year, which for Barley begins in October for all countries. TY 2021/2022 = October 2021 - September 2022

Attachments:

No Attachments