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Report Highlights:

On December 25, 2020, the Government of Morocco extended the suspension of import duties on common wheat and products (1001.99.00.19 and 1001.99.00.90) until May 31, 2021. This measure is intended to keep the cost of imports at a competitive level and to build stocks. Production, supply, and demand estimates were updated to reflect year-end trade data for MY 2019/20.

General Information:

Production Update

2021 wheat and barley planting started in late October – early November. Contacts report favorable planting conditions with timely rains to facilitate sowing and crop establishment. As of January 10, 2020, total area planted to cereals for common wheat, durum and barley is estimated by the industry at 4.2 million hectares (HA). Post's PSD for MY 2021/22 will be published in its Grain & Feed Annual Report on April 1, 2021.

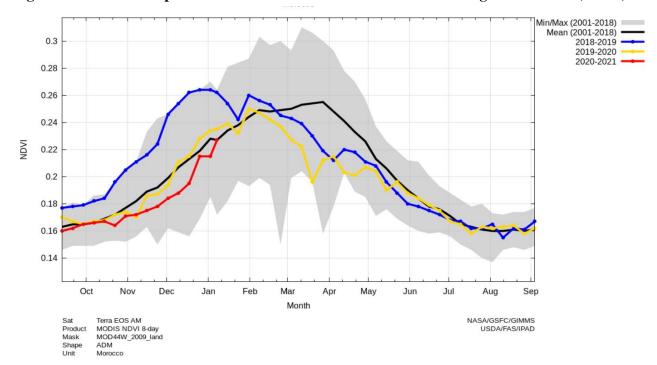


Figure 1: Morocco Crop Conditions-MODIS Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)

Source: USDA/FAS/IPA Division -cropland data drilling from modis ndvi imagery

Policy Update

On December 25, 2020, the Government of Morocco approved decree # 2.20.922, extending the suspension of import duties on common wheat and products (1001.99.00.19 and 1001.99.00.90) through May 31, 2021. According to the Ministry of Economy, Finance and Administrative Reform, this measure is intended to keep the cost of imports at a competitive level and to build stocks.

Trade Update

Wheat Imports by Marketing Year (MT Wheat Equivalent)

	Description	M	arketing Ye	ar	Year to Date			
HS		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	06/19- 10/19	06/20- 10/20	%Δ	
1001	Wheat And Meslin	3,660,438	3,705,893	4,607,874	931,820	1,601,296	71.85	
190219*	Pasta, Uncooked, Not Stuffed	13,727	13,859	14,784	6,298	5,956	-5.43	
190230*	Pasta, Prepared, Nesoi	1,721	3,607	2,775	1,027	1,493	45.37	
1101*	Wheat Or Meslin Flour	560	512	517	246	215	-12.60	
190240*	Couscous	8	5	7	3	13	333.33	
Total	PSD-Wheat	3,676,454	3,723,876	4,625,957	939,394	1,608,972	71.28	

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			
		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	06/19-10/19	06/20-10/20	%Δ	
190240*	Couscous	32,385	31,283	36,835	12,999	20,291	56.10	
190219*	Pasta, Uncooked, Not Stuffed	8,854	14,351	17,788	7,554	5,265	-30.30	
190230*	Pasta, Prepared, Nesoi	3,835	3,840	4,722	1,649	1,960	18.86	
1101*	Wheat Or Meslin Flour	15,750	26,187	3,427	1,140	905	-20.61	
1001	Wheat And Meslin	20	50	-	-	10	0	
Total	PSD-Wheat	60,845	75,710	62,772	23,342	28,431	21.80	

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

Barley Imports by Marketing Year (MT)

Partner	M	arketing Y	ear	Year to Date				
	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	07/19-10/19	07/20-10/20	%Δ		
EU 28	356,592	142,688	943,971	160,149	177,624	10.91		
Ukraine	43,458	8,249	131,649	38,408	12,099	-68.50		
Argentina	9,900	0	0	0	0	0		
Russia	19,658	0	0	0	25,041	0		
Syria	0	0	0	0	3,337	0		
Total	429,609	150,937	1,075,620	198,557	218,102	9.84		

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

Production, Supply, and Distribution

Wheat: Exports in MY 2019/20 are adjusted to reflect Morocco's official trade data.

Wheat	Wheat 2018/2019		2019/2020		2020/2021		
Market Begin Year	Jun 2018		Jun 2019		Jun 2020		
Morocco	USDA	New Post	USDA	New Post	USDA	New Post	
	Official		Official		Official		
Area Harvested	2,850	2,850	2,750	2,750	2,758	2,758	
Beginning Stocks	5,132	5,132	5,420	5,420	3,614	3,605	
Production	7,340	7,340	4,025	4,025	2,560	2,560	
MY Imports	3,724	3,724	4,626	4,626	6,500	6,500	
TY Imports	3,724	3,724	4,879	4,879	6,500	6,500	
TY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	32	32	0	0	
Total Supply	16,196	16,196	14,071	14,071	12,674	12,665	
MY Exports	76	76	57	63	60	60	
TY Exports	75	75	66	66	60	60	
Feed and Residual	800	800	400	400	300	300	
FSI Consumption	9,900	9,900	10,000	10,000	10,100	10,100	
Total Consumption	10,700	10,700	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,400	
Ending Stocks	5,420	5,420	3,614	3,605	2,214	2,205	
Total Distribution	16,196	16,196	14,071	14,071	12,674	12,665	
Yield	2.58	2.58	1.46	1.46	0.93	0.93	
(1000 HA), (1000 MT), (MT/HA)							

Barley: Imports in MY 2019/20 are adjusted to reflect Morocco's official trade data.

Barley	2018/2019		2019/2020		2020/2021		
Market Begin Year	Jul 2018		Jul	2019	Jul 2020		
Morocco	USDA	New Post	USDA	New Post	USDA	New Post	
	Official		Official		Official		
Area Harvested	1,597	1,597	1,450	1,450	1,467	1,467	
Beginning Stocks	184	184	398	398	115	135	
Production	2,910	2,910	1,161	1,161	640	640	
MY Imports	204	204	1,056	1,076	1,600	1,600	
TY Imports	299	299	1,073	1,081	1,600	1,600	
TY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total Supply	3,298	3,298	2,615	2,635	2,355	2,375	
MY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Feed and Residual	1,900	1,900	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,600	
FSI Consumption	1,000	1,000	800	800	700	700	
Total Consumption	2,900	2,900	2,500	2,500	2,300	2,300	
Ending Stocks	398	398	115	135	55	75	
Total Distribution	3,298	3,298	2,615	2,635	2,355	2,375	
Yield	1.82	1.82	0.80	0.80	0.44	0.44	
(1000 HA), (1000 MT), (MT/HA)							

Attachments:

No Attachments