



# US Price Mechanism

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## US PRICE MECHANISM - 2005/2006 SEASON

- cents per lb -  
Week to date (Official Values)

A) Friday/Thursday average 5Middling Values	59.93	(58.48)
B) Fri/Thurs average 3 SLM values	57.34	( 55.72)
E) Shipping, Loan Quality and Location differentials (52 week averages)	15.48	(15.48)
F) ADJUSTED WORLD PRICE (AWP) (A - E)	44.45	(43.00)
G) Coarse Adjustment (current values A-B-6)	- 3.41	( 0.00)
H) Marketing Loan Gain (52.00 base loan minus AWP)	7.55	( 9.00)

## US PRICE MECHANISM (2) COMPETITIVE ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS

**Step 1:** (*inoperative if the AWP is above 115 percent of the Basic Loan, or 59.80 cents*)

Maximum permissible reduction of AWP 4.70

### Step 2: (Marketing Subsidy)

AWP as percentage of basic loan (must not exceed 134%) 85.48%

A) Avg five N.Europe M.1-3/32" CIFs 59.93

L) Avg cheapest US M.1-3/32" CIFs 64.63

P) Theoretical value payable (L - A) 4.70

Official current rate payable through Thursday, October 20 4.42

No. of completed qualifying weeks 4

### Step 3: (Import quota trigger) :-

R) USDA's estimated stock-to-use ratio 29.60%

S) To trigger a Step 3 quota, if (R) is greater than 16%, (L) must exceed (A)  
and the value of the previous week's Step 2 payment for four consecutive weeks.

If (R) is less than 16%, the formula is (L) - (A).

Number of qualifying weeks to date. 0

Number of purchase quotas declared 2005/06:

Available purchase quota (bales of 480lbs)

## AMERICAN PIMA COMPETITIVENESS PAYMENT

US Pima CIF N.Europe quote 120.00

Today's cheapest competing foreign quote CIF N. Europe (adjusted for quality/transportation) 105.54

Theoretical foreign value as percentage of basic loan (must be less than 134%) 129.10%

T) Friday/Thursday US Pima CIF N.Europe Average 120.00

U) Average cheapest competing foreign quote CIF N. Europe (adjusted for quality/transportation) 105.54

V) Theoretical value (T-U) 14.46

No. of completed weeks. T must exceed U for four consecutive weeks. 1

Official current rate payable through Thursday October 20 N/A