



US Price Mechanism

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US PRICE MECHANISM - 2005/2006 SEASON

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

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|---|--------|----------|
| A) Friday/Thursday average 5 Middling Values | 56.08 | (56.57) |
| B) Fri/Thurs average 3 SLM values | 54.75 | (54.95) |
| E) Shipping, Loan Quality and Location differentials (52 week averages) | 15.48 | (15.48) |
| F) ADJUSTED WORLD PRICE (AWP) (A - E) | 40.60 | (41.09) |
| G) Coarse Adjustment (current values A-B-6) | - 4.67 | (0.00) |
| H) Marketing Loan Gain (52.00 base loan minus AWP) | 11.40 | (10.91) |

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 3.92

Step 2: (Marketing Subsidy)

AWP as percentage of basic loan (must not exceed 134%) 78.08%

A) Avg five N.Europe M.1-3/32" CIFs 56.08

L) Avg cheapest US M.1-3/32" CIFs 60.00

P) Theoretical value payable (L - A) 3.92

Official current rate payable through Thursday, December 01 3.73

No. of completed qualifying weeks 4

Step 3: (Import quota trigger) :-

R) USDA's estimated stock-to-use ratio 29.80%

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. 2

Number of purchase quotas declared 2005/06:

Available purchase quota (bales of 480lbs)

AMERICAN PIMA COMPETITIVENESS PAYMENT

Basic Loan Trigger

P1) Cheapest competing foreign quote C/F Far East (week to date average) 121.50

P2) P1 adjusted for quality and transportation 116.05

P3) P2 value must be less than 134% of basic loan (82.45) 140.75%

Payment Calculation

P4) Friday/Thursday US Pima C/F Far Eastern Average 142.25

P5) Average cheapest competing foreign quote C/F Far East (adjusted for quality) 129.61

P6) Theoretical value (P4-P5) N/A

P7) No. of completed weeks. P4 must exceed P5 for four consecutive weeks. 0

P8) Official current rate payable through Thursday December 1 N/A