

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 5 Middling Values	58.20	(58.67)	
B) Fri/Thurs average 3 SLM values	53.58	(52.67)	
E) Shipping, Loan Quality and Location differentials (52 week averages)	15.56	(15.56)	
F) ADJUSTED WORLD PRICE (AWP) (A - E)	42.64	(43.11)	
G) Coarse Adjustment (current values A-B-6)	- 4.13	(0.00)	
H) Marketing Loan Gain (52.00 base loan minus AWP)	9.36	(8.89)	
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		3.75	
Step 2: (Marketing Subsidy)			
AWP as percentage of basic loan (must not exceed 134%)		82.00%	
A) Avg five N.Europe M.1-3/32" CIFs		55.45	
L) Avg cheapest US M.1-3/32" CIFs		58.25	
P) Theoretical value payable (L - A)		2.80	
Official current rate payable through Thursday, July 13		2.17	
No. of completed qualifying weeks		4	
Step 3: (Import quota trigger) :-			
R) USDA's estimated stock-to-use ratio		28.90%	
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	S.		
If (R) is less than 16%, the formula is (L) - (A).			
Number of qualifying weeks to date.		1	
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)		118.25	
P2) P1 adjusted for quality and transportation		112.80	
P3) P2 value must be less than 134% of basic loan (82.45)		136.81%	
Payment Calculation			
P4) Friday/Thursday US Pima C/F Far Eastern Average		136.00	
P5) Average cheapest competing foreign quote C/F Far East (adjusted for quality)		126.36	
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 July 13		N/A	