



Quanton Weekly Communications, Week 15

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Grains:

Argentine corn and wheat plantings face decline in 2022/23. (Agricensus)

Britain's wheat imports rose in February but continue to run below last season's pace. (Reuters)

Bumper harvests will help India to meet wheat import needs of the world's top buyers as Russia's Ukraine invasion hits supplies from the Black Sea region. (Reuters)

India wheat Government expecting 105 MMT wheat production, not 110 MMT, due to a heatwave in March 2022. (Twitter @Switter, @GrainsOfIndia)

India wheat export destinations in March / April 2022: Yemen, UAE, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, South Korea, Vietnam, Thailand, Oman, The Philippines. (Twitter @Switter)

India eyes wheat exports of 11 mil-12 mil mt in MY 2022-23 on Black Sea disruptions. Traders contracted nearly 4 mil mt wheat for April-August exports. (Platts)

India likely to get **average monsoon rains in 2022**, raising prospects of higher farm and economic growth. (Skymet, Reuters)

Egypt adding India as a wheat import origin this month. (Reuters)

US corn exports are still unlikely to meet the USDA's export projects of 63.5 million mt, despite recent large Chinese corn purchase. (Agricensus)

US winter wheat conditions remain poor after minor improvement. (Agricensus)

Planting of corn in one of China's major producing areas could be delayed as many of the region's millions of farmers struggle to return home from temporary city jobs because of strict coronavirus lockdowns. (Reuters)

Indonesia leads for wheat, EU for rapeseeds in **Australia Feb exports.** (Agricensus)

U.S. government weather forecaster: There is a **59% chance of La Niña conditions continuing** through the Northern Hemisphere summer. (Reuters)

The pace of weekly wheat **shipments from the French port of Rouen** continued to increase in the week ending April 13, led by Morocco. (Agricensus)

Kazakhstan has 8 mln tonnes of grain stocks, down 1.22 mln tonnes compared to the previous month. As of April 1, the stocks of barley totalled 916.2 kmt, rye 21.1 kmt, oats 89.3 kmt, corn 111.5 kmt, rice 194.4 kmt, buckwheat 34 kmt, millet 12 kmt. (APK)

Ukraine and Russia:

The 2022 spring crop sowing area in Ukraine can reach 80% of the pre-war acreage if the country manages to clear mines in northern regions. (Reuters)

Export prices for Ukrainian corn have fallen due to large stocks and limited demand for the grain, which due to Russia's invasion can only be exported by rail across Ukraine's western border. (APK, Reuters)

Indicative export prices of new-crop wheat decreased in Ukraine last week, 2.5% new-crop wheat decreased to 320-340 USD/t FOB. (APK)

Low demand pressuring export prices of Russian wheat. Last week, the offer prices of 12.5% wheat declined by 20-25 USD/t to 370-390 USD/t FOB deep-sea ports. However, importers considered them too high. (APK)

Old-crop barley reached to 370-395 USD/t FOB (April-May), on average 5 USD/t higher compared to the prices of 12.5% wheat. (APK)

Grain export flows from Russia continued at a steady pace in the week to April 10, led by Turkey, Iran, Egypt. (Agricensus)

USDA reduced forecast of Ukrainian wheat export in 2021/22 MY by 1 mln tonnes to 19 mln tonnes. (USDA, APK)

USDA cut their forecast of Ukrainian corn export in 2021/22 MY by 4.5 mln tonnes to 23 mln tonnes. (USDA, APK)

Annual inflation in Russia accelerated to 17.49% as of April 8, its highest since February 2002. (Reuters)

The **Russian government** has published details of the mechanism determining the allocation of an **export quota for sunoil and sunmeal**. (Agricensus)

Solsky: **Grain export from Ukraine is a problem of TOP priority.** "Before war, Ukraine has exported about 5 mln tonnes of grain per month. Now, seaports area blocked. We have 20 mln tonnes of old-crop grain that could not be exported this spring". (APK)

Vysotsky: **Ukraine has neither export restrictions nor plans to curb supplies** of barley, corn, rapeseed, soybean, sunflower seed and oil as well as other products to the foreign markets. (APK)

Oilseeds:

DAP sunflower oil prices down in Ukraine. Last week, the bid prices declined by 9-13% to 1300-1400 USD/t DAP. Some market operators informed about purchasing prices at 1420-1460 USD/t DAP. (APK)

Brazil exported 3.2 million mt of soybeans in the first week of April. (Agricensus)

Offer and bid spread widens on Russian sunflower oil. Offer: 2000-2050 USD/t FOB (April-May), bid: 1900-1950 USD/t FOB. (APK)

China's March soybean imports **fall 18%** year on year. (Reuters)

India's March edible oil imports jump by 6.9% m-o-m. (Agricensus)

Coffee:

Luckin Coffee Inc said it had emerged from bankruptcy proceedings, two years after an accounting fraud derailed the coffee chain's business. (Reuters)

Traders are diverting coffee shipments that were initially expected to go to Russia, and some have stopped selling to that market altogether. (Reuters)

Lavazza expects a challenging 2022 due to raw material price rises after reporting a strong increase in profits for 2021. (Reuters)

Vietnam's domestic coffee prices edged lower this week, tracking weakness in global financial markets on worries about policy tightening by the U.S. Federal Reserve. (Reuters)

Cocoa:

Rain was below average in most of Ivory Coast's cocoa-growing regions last week, with more rain needed to strengthen the April-to-September mid-crop. (Reuters)

Ivory Coast Prime Minister Patrick Achi tabled his resignation and plans to slim down the size of the cabinet. (Reuters)

Ghana cocoa output to slide 31% in 2021/22 due to 'catastrophic' conditions, (Reuters)

Sugar:

Indian trade body again raises **sugar** output and exports estimate. (Reuters)

World:

Ethiopia closed Q1 with a 47% fall in sesame seed exports. The main importers of Ethiopian sesame were Israel, the UAE and Vietnam, accounting for 48%, 14% and 9%, respectively. (IHSMARKIT)

Xi calls for seed industry independence to guarantee national food security. (Agricensus)

The World Bank to finance four projects in **Senegal** worth **a total of \$495 million** to help improve education, electricity, economic development and road access.

Freights:

Truckers in Argentina began an open-ended strike on Monday to demand higher rates for transporting grain and livestock, an action that could hit grain exports during a key part of the harvest. (Reuters)

Black Sea freight market seeks new balance amid Russia's invasion. (Agricensus)

Freight rates extend losses as Shanghai lockdown weighs on industry. (Agricensus)

Shipowners ask for additional premium for loading in the Black Sea ports of Russia. "Time charter rate for Bulgaria – Western Africa route for a handysize with a deadweight of 35kmt is 24,000 USD/day, in case of loading

in the ports of Russia, the rate for a similar transportation will be 51,000 USD/day". (APK)

Lithuania to help Ukraine to export grain. (APK)

Tenders:

Algeria's OAIC tenders for milling wheat:

- 50,000 mt

Egypt's GASC bought milling wheat:

- 350,000 mt, 486.34 USD/mt CFR, shipment May-June

Japan's MAFF tenders for milling wheat:

- 115,000 mt, shipment Jun-Aug

South Korea's NOFI bought corn:

- 207,000 mt, 378.16 USD/mt
- 69,000 mt, Cargill, shipment August

South Korea's MFG, FLC and KFA bought soymeal at \$596.24/mt

- 596.24 USD/mt, shipment May-June

Algeria's OAIC bought milling wheat:

- 80,000 mt, 460 USD/mt CFR, shipment May-June

Last week:

Saudi Arabia bought wheat:

- 625kmt, shipment, Sep-Nov, 422.47 USD/mt

Jordan's MIT tenders for milling wheat:

- 120,000 mt, shipment May-Jul

Philippine's San Miguel bought feed wheat

- 40,000 mt, shipment Aug

Philippine's San Miguel tenders for barley

- No purchase made

Japan's MAFF tenders for wheat:

- 138,000 mt, shipment June – August

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