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### **Report Highlights:**

The Government of Morocco continues to subsidize bread wheat imports based on a fixed flat-rate premium. This measure is valid until April 30, 2025, and is intended to maintain low bread prices and encourage stock building. Post has no changes for production, supply, and demand estimates for MY 2024/2025.

#### **General Information:**

#### **Production Update**

The late arrival of rains in 2024 delayed wheat and barley planting, sowing in some areas was not competed until the end of December. The total area planted to cereals for common wheat, durum and barley is estimated by the Ministry of Agriculture to reach 5 million hectares (HA), about 30 percent above five-year average. Post notes that this season has started off better than the previous one, however, the vegetation index remains below average, the upcoming rainfall during February until the end of March are critical for crop development and will determine the success of the 2025 production campaign. Post's production, supply, and demand forecast (PSD) for MY 2025/26 will be published in its Grain and Feed Annual Report on April 1, 2025.

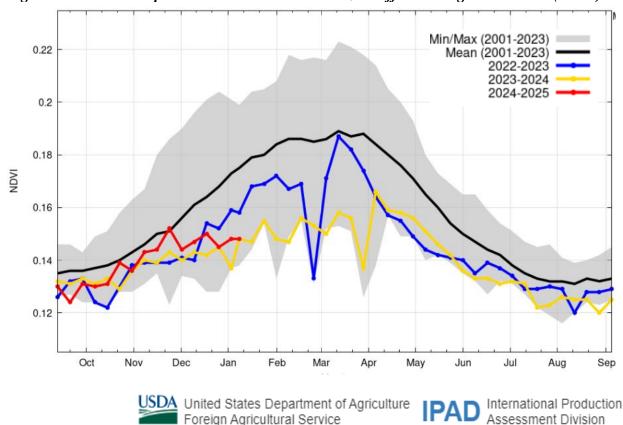


Figure 1: Morocco Crop Conditions-MODIS Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)

## **Policy Update**

On December 25, 2024, the Government of Morocco announced the continued subsidy of bread wheat imports based on a fixed flat-rate premium in response to strong global wheat prices. The current subsidy measures are valid until April 30, 2025. (link)

#### **Trade Update**

Traditionally, Morocco has sourced most of its wheat from the European Union, particularly from France. However, due to France's reduced harvest and quality issues in MY2024/25, Moroccan importers have shifted towards Black Sea countries. Morocco has exported 125, 343 MT equivalent of wheat products in MY 2023/24. This is primarily as pasta and couscous to the West African markets.

Table 1: Morocco – Wheat Imports by Origin (MT Wheat Equivalent)

| Partner Country | M         | arketing yea | ar        | Year to Date |             |         |  |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|---------|--|
|                 | 2021/22   | 2022/23      | 2023/24   | 06/23-10/23  | 06/24-10/24 | %∆      |  |
| EU 27           | 1,593,372 | 5,001,668    | 4,415,584 | 1,827,898    | 1,185,774   | -35.13% |  |
| Canada          | 539,608   | 1,068,583    | 839,246   | 193,134      | 374,996     | 94.16%  |  |
| Russia          | 29,830    | 0            | 503,440   | 54,800       | 595,576     | 986.82% |  |
| Ukraine         | 596,634   | 14,801       | 174,062   | 49,465       | 218,914     | 342.56% |  |
| United States   | 1         | 31,902       | 28,813    | 19,989       | 15,874      | -20.59% |  |
| Other           | 1,311,286 | 123,506      | 44,704    | 30,385       | 2,030       | -93.32% |  |
| Total           | 4,070,732 | 6,240,459    | 6,005,850 | 2,175,674    | 2,393,166   | 10.00%  |  |

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

Table 2: Wheat Exports by Marketing Year (MT Wheat Equivalent)

| Partner Country | M       | arketing Ye | ar      | Year to Date |             |       |  |
|-----------------|---------|-------------|---------|--------------|-------------|-------|--|
|                 | 2021/22 | 2022/23     | 2023/24 | 06/23-10/23  | 06/24-10/24 | %Δ    |  |
| EU 27           | 30,084  | 24,620      | 28,898  | 7,864        | 12,233      | 56%   |  |
| Senegal         | 14,617  | 22,616      | 38,343  | 11,868       | 13,956      | 18%   |  |
| Togo            | 4,383   | 6,072       | 8,681   | 4,579        | 4,694       | 3%    |  |
| Benin           | 3,571   | 5,642       | 8,192   | 4,439        | 3,734       | -16%  |  |
| Guinea          | 7,670   | 10,154      | 8,159   | 2,624        | 4,376       | 67%   |  |
| Cote d'Ivoire   | 1,875   | 2,534       | 4,144   | 1,513        | 1,610       | 6%    |  |
| Burkina Faso    | 2,897   | 1,558       | 3,086   | 853          | 1,638       | 92%   |  |
| Haiti           | 0       | 0           | 2,562   | 205          | 3,075       | 1400% |  |
| Other           | 18,272  | 19,843      | 23,282  | 8,303        | 9,075       | 9%    |  |
| Total           | 83,366  | 93,042      | 125,343 | 42,249       | 54,393      | 29%   |  |

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

Table 3: Barley Imports by Marketing Year (MT)

| Partner Country | N       | Tarketing Ye | ear       | Year to Date |             |      |  |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|------|--|
|                 | 2021/22 | 2022/23      | 2023/24   | 07/23-10/23  | 07/24-10/24 | %Δ   |  |
| EU 27           | 786,171 | 346,445      | 1,222,044 | 438,206      | 331,105     | -24  |  |
| Russia          | 49,369  | 0            | 269,397   | 37,632       | 0           | -100 |  |
| Ukraine         | 50,238  | 0            | 28,337    | 6,797        | 32,650      | 380  |  |
| Moldova         | 0       | 0            | 13,298    | 13,298       | 0           | -100 |  |
| Other           | 90,600  | -            | -         | 0            | 0           | 0    |  |
| Total           | 976,378 | 346,445      | 1,533,078 | 495,934      | 363,755     | -27  |  |

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

# Production, Supply, and Distribution

Table 4: PSD for Wheat

| Wheat                           | 2022/2023 |          | 2023/2024 |          | 2024/2025 |          |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Market Year Begins              | Jun 2022  |          | Jun 2023  |          | Jun 2024  |          |
| Morocco                         | USDA      | New Post | USDA      | New Post | USDA      | New Post |
|                                 | Official  |          | Official  |          | Official  |          |
| Area Harvested (1000 HA)        | 2436      | 2436     | 2434      | 2434     | 2200      | 2200     |
| Beginning Stocks (1000 MT)      | 2281      | 2281     | 1137      | 1137     | 1176      | 1176     |
| Production (1000 MT)            | 2708      | 2708     | 4158      | 4158     | 2460      | 2460     |
| MY Imports (1000 MT)            | 6241      | 6241     | 6006      | 6006     | 7500      | 7500     |
| TY Imports (1000 MT)            | 5770      | 5770     | 6205      | 6205     | 7500      | 7500     |
| <b>TY Imp. from U.S.</b> (1000  | 62        | 62       | 29        | 29       | 0         | 0        |
| MT)                             |           |          |           |          |           |          |
| Total Supply (1000 MT)          | 11230     | 11230    | 11301     | 11301    | 11136     | 11136    |
| MY Exports (1000 MT)            | 93        | 93       | 125       | 125      | 75        | 75       |
| TY Exports (1000 MT)            | 93        | 93       | 127       | 127      | 75        | 75       |
| Feed and Residual (1000         | 200       | 200      | 200       | 200      | 200       | 200      |
| MT)                             |           |          |           |          |           |          |
| FSI Consumption (1000           | 9800      | 9800     | 9800      | 9800     | 9800      | 9800     |
| MT)                             |           |          |           |          |           |          |
| <b>Total Consumption</b> (1000  | 10000     | 10000    | 10000     | 10000    | 10000     | 10000    |
| MT)                             |           |          |           |          |           |          |
| Ending Stocks (1000 MT)         | 1137      | 1137     | 1176      | 1176     | 1061      | 1061     |
| <b>Total Distribution</b> (1000 | 11230     | 11230    | 11301     | 11301    | 11136     | 11136    |
| MT)                             |           |          |           |          |           |          |
| Yield (MT/HA)                   | 1.1117    | 1.1117   | 1.7083    | 1.7083   | 1.1182    | 1.1182   |
|                                 |           |          |           |          |           |          |

(1000 HA), (1000 MT), (MT/HA)

MY = Marketing Year, begins with the month listed at the top of each column

TY = Trade Year, which for Wheat begins in July for all countries. TY 2024/2025 = July 2024 - June 2025

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Table 5: PSD for Barley

| Barley                              | 2022/    | 2023     | 2023/    | 2024     | 2024/2025 |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Market Year Begins                  | Jul 2022 |          | Jul 2023 |          | Jul 2024  |          |
| Morocco                             | USDA     | New Post | USDA     | New Post | USDA      | New Post |
|                                     | Official |          | Official |          | Official  |          |
| Area Harvested (1000 HA)            | 1137     | 1137     | 1170     | 1170     | 800       | 800      |
| Beginning Stocks (1000 MT)          | 609      | 609      | 65       | 65       | 598       | 598      |
| Production (1000 MT)                | 696      | 696      | 1350     | 1350     | 660       | 660      |
| MY Imports (1000 MT)                | 346      | 346      | 1533     | 1533     | 1150      | 1150     |
| TY Imports (1000 MT)                | 734      | 734      | 1462     | 1462     | 850       | 850      |
| <b>TY Imp. from U.S.</b> (1000      | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| MT)                                 |          |          |          |          |           |          |
| Total Supply (1000 MT)              | 1651     | 1651     | 2948     | 2948     | 2408      | 2408     |
| MY Exports (1000 MT)                | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| TY Exports (1000 MT)                | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Feed and Residual (1000 MT)         | 886      | 886      | 1550     | 1550     | 1500      | 1500     |
| FSI Consumption (1000 MT)           | 700      | 700      | 800      | 800      | 800       | 800      |
| <b>Total Consumption</b> (1000      | 1586     | 1586     | 2350     | 2350     | 2300      | 2300     |
| MT)                                 |          |          |          |          |           |          |
| Ending Stocks (1000 MT)             | 65       | 65       | 598      | 598      | 108       | 108      |
| <b>Total Distribution</b> (1000 MT) | 1651     | 1651     | 2948     | 2948     | 2408      | 2408     |
| Yield (MT/HA)                       | 0.6121   | 0.6121   | 1.1538   | 1.1538   | 0.825     | 0.825    |
|                                     |          |          |          |          |           |          |

(1000 HA), (1000 MT), (MT/HA)

MY = Marketing Year, begins with the month listed at the top of each column TY = Trade Year, which for Barley begins in October for all countries. TY 2024/2025 = October 2024 - September 2025

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### **Attachments:**

No Attachments