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GRAINS AND OILSEEDS

Table 1: Grains and Oilseeds Producer Prices

Product	Buyer	Purchase Price (US\$/t)	Contact Details	Payment
Maize	GMB	390	04-701885-99	60 days
Groundnuts	GMB (unshelled)	500	04-701885-99	Cash
	Jasbro	1400	09-68198	Cash
	Taflor	1350	0775386077	Cash
Soya beans	GMB	580	04-701885-99	14 days
	Kurima Gold/National Foods	570	0773381825	14 days
	Staywell	570	04-307868/9	14 days
Sugar beans	GMB	1300	04-701885-99	Cash
	Kurima Gold/National Foods	1250	0773381825	14 days
	Jasbro	1400	09-68198	Cash
Wheat	GMB	500	04-701885-99	60 days

COMMODITIES WANTED

- ✚ A company called Arenel is looking for up to 30 mt of groundnuts. Please contact Val Lottering on 0772359616 for more details.
- ✚ Agrisweet is looking for carrots. Contact Mr Zimuto on 0772 950 289.
- ✚ UZ is looking for various horticultural products. Contact Mr Muroza on 0772 584 095.

HORTICULTURE

Table 2: Horticultural Produce Retail Prices as at 27 February 2015 at Mbare Musika and Bulawayo CBD Markets

Commodity	Mbare Musika (US\$/kg)			Bulawayo CBD Market (US\$/kg)		
	13 Feb 15	20 Feb 15	27 Feb 15	13 Feb 15	20 Feb 15	27 Feb 15
Potatoes (medium)	0.67	0.60	0.67	0.70	0.60	0.60
Potatoes (large)	0.73	0.67	0.73	0.80	0.70	0.70
Tomatoes	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.20	0.80
Onions (dried)	0.50	0.50	0.40	1.00	1.00	1.14
Onions (green)	ns	ns	ns	1.00	1.00	1.00
Butternuts	0.40	0.44	0.40	0.86	0.86	1.00
Cabbage(per head)	1.00	0.60	0.80	0.30	0.30	0.30
Rape/Covo	0.83	0.60	0.67	0.60	0.60	0.60
Sugar beans	1.25	1.00	1.25	1.75	1.75	1.75
Groundnuts (unshelled)	0.75	0.75	1.00	0.40	0.40	0.40
Groundnuts (shelled)	1.00	1.00	1.40	1.25	1.25	1.25
Roundnuts (shelled)	1.50	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Sweet Potatoes	ns	0.46	ns	0.30	0.30	ns
Yams	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Carrots	0.70	0.60	0.70	1.10	1.10	1.20
Cucumbers	0.30	0.50	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.50
Maize (dried)	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.40
Green mealies	0.25	0.21	0.17	0.40	0.40	0.50
Apples (local)	0.53	0.53	0.80	ns	ns	ns
Apples (South Africa)	0.64	0.91	0.91	1.18	1.18	1.18
Bananas	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.61	0.61	0.61
Naartjies	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Oranges	1.00	ns	ns	1.00	1.00	1.00
Garlic	3.00	2.05	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Green pepper	0.40	0.70	0.40	0.45	0.45	0.45

ns - no supply

- At Mbare Musika Market, the price of potatoes, cabbages, rape/covo, sugar beans, unshelled groundnuts, shelled groundnuts and carrots went up while the price of dried onions, butternuts, cucumbers, green mealies, garlic and green pepper went down. Prices of other commodities remained stable.
- At Bulawayo Market, the price of tomatoes went down while the price of dried onions, butternuts, carrots, cucumbers and green mealies went up. Prices of other commodities remained stable.

Table 3: Agricultural Produce Prices at Bindura Chipadze and Bulawayo Renkini Markets as at 27 February 2015

Commodity	Measure	Bindura Chipadze Market		Bulawayo Renkini Market	
		09 Jan 15	13 Feb 15	20 Feb 15	27 Feb 15
Cowpeas	20l tin (20 kg)	12.00	13.00	15.00	15.00
Groundnuts Shelled	20l tin (20 kg)	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Groundnuts Unshelled	20l tin (20 kg)	6.00	ns	ns	ns
Groundnuts Fresh	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	ns	ns
Maize(grain)	20l tin (20 kg)	6.00	6.50	5.00	5.00
Roundnuts (shelled)	20l tin (20 kg)	40.00	ns	25.00	25.00
Soyabeans	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	10.00	18.00	18.00
Sugar beans	20l tin (20 kg)	25.00	27.50	30.00	30.00
Wheat	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	ns	ns
Butternuts	Pack(10kg)	5.00	5.00	ns	ns
Cabbage	head	0.20	0.50	ns	ns
Carrots	bundle	1.00	ns	ns	ns
Cucumber	Each	0.20	0.10	ns	ns
Irish Potatoes	Pocket (15 kg)	12.00	11.50	ns	ns
Onion dried	Pocket (10 kg)	8.00	7.50	ns	ns
Rape/ Covo	bundle	0.50	0.30	ns	ns
Tomatoes	Box(10-12kg)	2.00	3.00	ns	ns
Apples	each	0.20	0.20	ns	ns
Avocado pears	Each	0.20	0.20	ns	ns
Bananas	Crate(18kg)	6.00	4.00	ns	ns
Oranges	Pocket	ns	ns	ns	ns
Eggs	Crate (30 eggs)	4.50	4.50	ns	ns
Chicken	Bird	6.00	5.50	ns	ns
Goats	each	30.00	35.00	ns	ns
Cattle	beast	350.00	425.00	ns	ns
Sheep	each	50.00	60.00	ns	ns
Macimbi	90kg	210.00	180.00	225.00	225.00
Matemba	90 kg	190.00	210.00	158.00	158.00

ns- no supply

LIVESTOCK & MEAT

Table 4: Surrey and MC Meats Wholesale Prices for Beef as at 27 February 2015

PRODUCT	US\$/kg			
	MANUFACTURING		ECONOMY	
	Surrey	MC Meats	Surrey	MC Meats
Forequarter	2.90	2.80	3.30	3.20
Hindquarter	2.90	2.80	3.50	3.40
Side	-	-	-	-
Ration	-	-	-	-

PRODUCT	US\$/kg					
	COMMERCIAL		CHOICE		SUPER	
	Surrey	MC Meats	Surrey	MC Meats	Surrey	MC Meats
Forequarter	3.35	3.30	3.90	3.60	4.65	4.30
Hindquarter	3.65	3.70	4.30	4.00	4.95	4.80
Side	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ration	-	-	-	-	-	-

OFFALS	Price (US\$/kg)	
	Surrey	MC Meats
Cassings	2.00	1.50
Rough	3.00	-
Liver	4.30	4.30
Oxtail	6.00	6.00
Oxtongue	3.00	4.00
Lungs	2.00	2.10
Cowheels	1.00	0.80
Oxhead (without tongue)	7.00	0.60/kg
Oxhead (with tongue)	-	-
Bybles	1.30	1.50
Kidney	4.00	4.00

Source: MC Meats and Surrey

CATTLE SALES

Table 5: CC Sales Mount Hampden as at 24 February 2015

GRADE	Average Price (US\$/kg)				
	25/12/14	02/01/15	09/01/15	20/01/15	24/02/15
SUPER	2.28		2.35		
CHOICE		2.08		1.94	
COMMERCIAL	1.91	2.01	1.96	1.73	1.66
ECONOMY	1.72	1.67	1.83	1.60	1.54
MANUFACTURING	1.59		1.35	1.19	1.59
WEANER HEIFERS	2.00	1.99	1.73	1.89	2.39
BULLING HEIFERS	2.05	1.76	2.08	1.80	1.89
COWS & CALVES	1.68	1.68	1.75		
WEANER STEERS	2.01	2.21		2.07	1.91
LONG WEANER HEIFERS	1.94	2.13	2.05	1.71	2.11
LONG WEANER STEERS	2.13	2.09	2.08	2.10	2.04
FEEDER STEERS	2.08	2.01	2.25	2.00	1.92
COMMUNAL WEANER STEERS	1.39	1.17	1.53	1.45	1.91
COMMUNAL WEANER HEIFERS					
BULLS	1.81			1.66	

- ✚ The average price per kilogramme for commercial, economy, weaner steers, long weaner steers and feeder steers went down while the average price for manufacturing, weaner heifers, bulling heifers, long weaner heifers and communal weaner steers went up.

TOBACCO

- ✚ As at 27 February 2015, 93 067 growers had registered compared to 94 052 who had registered same time last year.
- ✚ Since January 2015, about 30.2 million kg has been exported realizing US\$207.4 million.

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Table 6: International Commodity Prices as at 27 February 2015

Commodity	Safex (R/mt) Futures Prices for Feb as at 27 Feb 15	Safex ¹ (US\$/mt) Futures Prices for Feb as at 27 Feb 15	US GULF (US\$/mt) Spot Price as at 27 Feb 15	CBOT (US\$/mt) Futures Prices for Feb as at 27 Feb 15	Cotlook A Index (USc/Pound) as at 27 Feb 15
White Maize	2513	221.02			
Yellow Maize	2381	209.41	171.29	147.87	
Wheat (HRW)			229.92		
Wheat (SRW)	3762	330.87	214.12	182.83	
Soyabeans	5056	444.87	401.14	370.22	
Sorghum	2411	212.05			
Cotton					71.75

- White maize price decreased on the SAFEX from **US\$234.46/mt** last week to **US\$221.02/mt** this week.
- The yellow maize price increased on the SAFEX from **US\$202.76/mt** last week to **US\$209.41/mt** this week while the US GULF and CBOT market prices decreased from **US\$173.66/mt** and **US\$151.02/mt** last week to **US\$171.29/mt** and **US\$147.87/mt** this week respectively.
- The price of wheat increased on the SAFEX from **US\$330.66/mt** last week to **US\$330.87/mt** this week while the US GULF and CBOT prices decreased from **US\$223.21/mt** and **US\$193.86/mt** last week to **US\$214.12/mt** and **US\$182.83/mt** this week respectively.
- The SAFEX soyabean price decreased from **US\$455.53/mt** last week to **US\$444.68/mt** this week while the US GULF and CBOT market prices increased from **US\$395.63/mt** and **US\$365.81/mt** last week to **US\$401.14/mt** and **US\$370.22/mt** this week respectively.
- The price of sorghum increased on the SAFEX from **US\$208.20/mt** last week to **US\$212.05/mt** this week.

¹ US\$/Rand exchange rate is US\$1=R11.37

- Cotlook 'A' Index increased from **USc71.55/Pound** last week to **USc71.75/Pound** this week.