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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	Depends on cash availability
Groundnuts	GMB (unshelled)	500	04-701885-99	Cash
	Jasbro	1400	09-68198	Cash
	Taflo	1300	0775386077	Cash
Soya beans	GMB	580	04-701885-99	14 days
Sugar beans	GMB	1300	04-701885-99	Cash
	Jasbro	1300	09-68198	Cash
Wheat	GMB	500	04-701885-99	Depends on cash availability

## HORTICULTURE

**Table 2: Horticultural Produce Retail Prices as at 10 April 2015 at Mbare Musika and Bulawayo CBD Markets**

Commodity	Mbare Musika (US\$/kg)			Bulawayo CBD Market (US\$/kg)		
	27 Mar 15	07 Apr 15	10 Apr 15	27 Mar 15	07 Apr 15	10 Apr 15
Potatoes (medium)	0.73	0.67	0.67	0.60	0.65	0.60
Potatoes (large)	0.80	0.73	0.80	0.70	0.70	0.70
Tomatoes	0.50	0.40	0.33	1.00	0.80	1.20
Onions (dried)	0.70	0.60	0.60	0.86	1.14	1.00
Onions (green)	ns	ns	ns	1.00	1.00	1.00
Butternuts	0.32	0.36	0.36	0.86	1.00	0.86
Cabbage(per head)	0.50	1.00	0.50	0.30	0.30	0.36
Rape/Covo (per bundle)	1.00	1.00	0.67	0.60	0.60	0.60
Sugar beans	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.75	1.75	1.75
Groundnuts (unshelled)	0.50	0.75	0.75	0.40	0.40	0.40
Groundnuts (shelled)	1.00	1.00	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Roundnuts (shelled)	1.25	1.25	1.00	1.25	0.90	1.25
Sweet Potatoes	1.25	0.50	0.70	ns	ns	0.30
Yams	0.44	0.67	0.57	ns	ns	ns
Carrots	0.60	0.50	0.50	1.20	1.20	1.10
Cucumbers	0.50	0.40	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.30
Maize (dried)	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.35	0.40
Green mealies	0.29	0.21	0.21	0.50	0.50	0.40
Apples (local)	0.73	0.91	0.67	ns	ns	ns
Apples (South Africa)	0.91	1.00	0.91	1.18	1.18	1.18
Bananas	0.72	0.67	0.44	0.72	0.61	0.61
Naartjies	0.30	0.27	0.33	ns	ns	ns
Oranges	ns	0.70	0.70	1.00	1.00	1.00
Garlic	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Green pepper	0.50	0.30	0.40	0.45	0.45	0.45

*ns - no supply*

- At Mbare Musika Market, the price of large potatoes, shelled groundnuts, sweet potatoes, naartjies and green pepper went up while the price of tomatoes, cabbages, rape/covo, shelled roundnuts, yams, cucumbers, local apples, imported apples and bananas went down. Prices of other commodities remained stable.
- At Bulawayo Market, the price of medium potatoes, dried onions, butternuts, carrots, cucumbers and green mealies went down while the price of

tomatoes, cabbages, shelled roundnuts and dried maize went up. Prices of other commodities remained the same.

**Table 3: Agricultural Produce Prices at Bindura Chipadze and Bulawayo Renkini Markets as at 10 April 2015.**

Commodity	Measure	Bindura Chipadze Market		Bulawayo Renkini Market	
		20 Mar 15	07 Apr 15	07 Apr 15	10 Apr 15
Cowpeas	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	14.00	15.00
Groundnuts Shelled	20l tin (20 kg)	30.00	30.00	25.00	25.00
Groundnuts Unshelled	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	ns	ns
Groundnuts Fresh	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	ns	ns
Maize (grain)	20l tin (20 kg)	5.00	5.00	8.00	5.00
Roundnuts (shelled)	20l tin (20 kg)	37.50	37.50	20.00	25.00
Soyabeans	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	18.00	18.00
Sugar beans	20l tin (20 kg)	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Wheat	20l tin (20 kg)	ns	ns	ns	ns
Butternuts	Pack(10kg)	5.00	5.00	ns	ns
Cabbage	head	0.50	0.50	ns	ns
Carrots	bundle	ns	ns	ns	ns
Cucumber	Each	0.10	0.10	ns	ns
Irish Potatoes	Pocket (15 kg)	12.00	12.00	ns	ns
Onion dried	Pocket (10 kg)	9.00	9.00	ns	ns
Rape/ Covo	bundle	ns	ns	ns	ns
Tomatoes	Box(10-12kg)	2.50	2.00	ns	ns
Apples	each	0.20	0.20	ns	ns
Avocado pears	Each	0.20	0.20	ns	ns
Bananas	Crate(18kg)	4.50	4.50	ns	ns
Oranges	Pocket	ns	ns	ns	ns
Eggs	Crate (30 eggs)	4.50	4.50	ns	ns
Chicken	Bird	6.00	6.00	ns	ns
Goats	each	35.00	35.00	ns	ns
Cattle	beast	475.00	475.00	ns	ns
Sheep	each	60.00	60.00	ns	ns
Macimbi	90kg	180.00	180.00	202.50	180.00
Matemba	90 kg	220.00	220.00	157.50	220.00

ns- no supply

## LIVESTOCK & MEAT

**Table 4: Surrey and MC Meats Wholesale Prices for Beef as at 10 April 2015**

PRODUCT	US\$/kg			
	MANUFACTURING		ECONOMY	
	Surrey	MC Meats	Surrey	MC Meats
Forequarter	2.60	2.70	2.75	2.90
Hindquarter	2.60	2.70	3.05	3.10
Side	-	-	-	-
Ration	-	-	-	-

PRODUCT	US\$/kg					
	COMMERCIAL		CHOICE		SUPER	
	Surrey	MC Meats	Surrey	MC Meats	Surrey	MC Meats
Forequarter	3.10	3.20	3.30	3.30	4.00	4.10
Hindquarter	3.50	3.60	3.70	3.70	4.70	4.80
Side	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ration	-	-	-	-	-	-

OFFALS	Price (US\$/kg)	
	Surrey	MC Meats
Cassings	2.00	1.50
Rough	3.00	-
Liver	4.30	4.50
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 8 April 2015**

GRADE	Average Price (US\$/kg)				
	10/03/15	17/03/15	24/03/15	31/03/15	08/04/15
SUPER					
CHOICE	1.95	2.04	1.71	1.67	
COMMERCIAL	1.69	1.67	1.54	1.50	1.52
ECONOMY	1.58	1.50	1.33	1.30	1.47
MANUFACTURING	1.20	1.33	1.18	1.25	1.40
WEANER HEIFERS	2.02	1.95	2.68	1.90	2.13
BULLING HEIFERS	1.87	1.80	1.55	1.84	1.66
COWS & CALVES	1.49	1.51			
WEANER STEERS	2.13	1.82	1.87	1.83	2.04
LONG WEANER HEIFERS	2.34	1.75	1.64	1.82	1.75
LONG WEANER STEERS	2.09	2.01	1.90	1.80	1.82
FEEDER STEERS	2.02	1.97	1.88	1.82	1.72
COMMUNAL WEANER STEERS		1.38	1.44	1.58	1.50
COMMUNAL WEANER HEIFERS					
BULLS	1.66	1.39	1.60	1.33	

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

## TOBACCO

- As at 10 April 2015, 93 450 growers had registered compared to 102 396 who had registered same time last year.
- Total flue cured tobacco seasonal sales as at 10 April 2015 stood at 28.4 million kgs sold at an average price of US\$2.64/kg at the three auction floors and contract sales compared to 31.4 million kgs sold at an average price of US\$3.08/kg same time last year.
- This realised total revenue amounting to US\$74.9 million compared to US\$96.8 million achieved same time last year.

**Table 6: Seasonal Flue Cured Tobacco Sales: 10 April 2015**

DAILY	TSF	BTF	PTF	Total Auction	Total Contract	Total 2015	Total 2014	% Chan.
Mass sold (kg)	3,949,582	2,274,592	1,887,070	8,111,244	20,263,148	28,374,392	31,449,731	-9.78
Value (US\$)	9,068,709	4,329,600	4,017,988	17,416,296	57,526,745	74,943,041	96,828,623	-22.60

Ave. price US\$/kg	2.30	1.90	2.31	2.15	2.84	2.64	3.08	-14.21
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Source: TIMB

## INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

**Table 7: International Commodity Prices as at 10 April 2015**

Commodity	Safex (R/mt) Futures Prices for Apr as at 10 Apr 15	Safex <sup>1</sup> (US\$/mt) Futures Prices for Apr as at 10 Apr 15	US GULF (US\$/mt) Spot Price as at 10 Apr 15	CBOT (US\$/mt) Futures Prices for Apr as at 10 Apr 15	Cotlook A Index (USc/Pound) as at 10 Apr 15
White Maize	2546	215.39			
Yellow Maize	2365	200.08	172.87	149.28	
Wheat (HRW)			235.62		
Wheat (SRW)	3844	325.21	221.84	193.34	
Soyabeans	4660	394.25	382.50	356.92	
Sorghum	2425	205.16			
Cotton					73.30

- White maize price increased on the SAFEX from **US\$213.08/mt** last week to **US\$215.39/mt** this week.
- The yellow maize price increased on the SAFEX from **US\$199.16/mt** last week to **US\$200.08/mt** this week while the US GULF and CBOT market prices decreased from **US\$173.75/mt** and **US\$151.57/mt** last week to **US\$172.87/mt** and **US\$149.28/mt** this week respectively.
- The SAFEX and CBOT wheat prices decreased from **US\$325.32/mt** and **US\$193.86/mt** last week to **US\$325.21/mt** and **US\$193.34/mt** this week respectively while the US GULF market increased from **US\$221.47/mt** last week to **US\$221.84/mt** this week.
- The price of soyabeans decreased on the SAFEX, US GULF and CBOT markets from **US\$396.20/mt**, **US\$386.17/mt** and **US\$359.49/mt** last week to **US\$394.25/mt**, **US\$382.50/mt** and **US\$356.92/mt** this week respectively.
- The price of sorghum decreased on the SAFEX from **US\$208.86/mt** last week to **US\$205.16/mt** this week.

<sup>1</sup> US\$/Rand exchange rate is US\$1=R11.82

- Cotlook 'A' Index increased from **USc72.15/Pound** last week to **USc73.30/Pound** this week.