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## Algeria

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### Wheat Update

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**Report Highlights:**

French wheat exports to Algeria decreased by almost 47 percent due to a lack of available quality and quantity, opening Algeria to exports from Poland and Germany.

**General Information:**

According to FAS Algiers sources and news reports, Algeria’s French wheat imports declined dramatically as a result of poor crop quality. French bread wheat exports to Algeria decreased by almost 47 percent at the beginning of marketing year 2014/2015. Algeria imported 1.3 million MT of French origin bread wheat July - October 2014. Of note, is that during the same period last year, Algeria imported 2.2 MMT. French exports globally decreased by 9 percent despite targeting other export markets such as Egypt and Thailand. France AgriMer reported that harsh rains reduced France’s crop quality such that as much as 46 percent of the crop was only suitable for animal feed compared to 12 percent last year. The forecast was raised on sales of feed wheat to the U.S., Thailand and South Korea, which are non-traditional destinations.

As reported previously, Algeria has imported 6 to 7 MMT of wheat over the past few years. Bread wheat was 75 to 83 percent of the wheat imported. For several years, France has been the top wheat supplier to Algeria (75 percent) and commands the largest portion of the bread wheat (82 percent), and durum (59 percent) markets. Bloomberg reports that Algeria’s wheat imports from Poland (165,906 metric tons) and Germany (89,715 metric tons) have filled the void left by France’s weather damaged crop.

Wheat Algeria	2012/2013		2013/2014		2014/2015	
	Market Year Begin: Jul 2012		Market Year Begin: Jul 2013		Market Year Begin: May 2014	
	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Area Harvested	2,000	200	1,727	1,727	1,700	1,700
Beginning Stocks	3,357	3,357	3,762	3,762	4,673	4,673
Production	3,400	3,400	3,302	3,302	1,900	1,900
MY Imports	6,484	6,484	7,484	7,484	7,400	7,400
TY Imports	6,484	6,484	7,484	7,484	7,400	7,400
TY Imp. from U.S.	256	256	110	110	0	100
Total Supply	13,241	13,241	14,548	14,548	13,973	13,973
MY Exports	29	29	25	25	25	25
TY Exports	29	29	25	25	25	25
Feed and Residual	50	50	50	50	50	50
FSI Consumption	9,400	9,400	9,800	9,800	10,000	10,000
Total Consumption	9,450	9,450	9,850	9,850	10,050	10,050
Ending Stocks	3,762	3,762	4,673	4,673	3,898	3,898
Total Distribution	13,241	13,241	14,548	14,548	13,973	13,973
Yield	2.	17.	2.	1.912	1.	1.1176

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Barley Algeria	2012/2013		2013/2014		2014/2015	
	Market Year Begin: Jul 2012		Market Year Begin: Jul 2013		Market Year Begin: Jul 2014	
	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Area Harvested	1,000	1,000	900	900	800	800
Beginning Stocks	1,435	1,435	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194
Production	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,300	1,300
MY Imports	259	259	550	550	600	600
TY Imports	364	364	700	700	600	600
TY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supply	3,194	3,194	3,244	3,244	3,094	3,094
MY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
TY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed and Residual	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700
FSI Consumption	300	300	350	350	350	350
Total Consumption	2,000	2,000	2,050	2,050	2,050	2,050
Ending Stocks	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,044	1,044
Total Distribution	3,194	3,194	3,244	3,244	3,094	3,094
Yield	2.	1.5	2.	1.6667	2.	1.625
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