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Grain and Feed Update

Wheat Update

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Report Highlights:

Due to the government's relatively "high" 2009 wheat procurement price (\$300/mt), Pakistan wheat was largely not price competitive in regional wheat markets. Consequently, Post's estimate of Pakistan's MY 2009/10 wheat exports was reduced from 1.0 million metric tons (MMT) to 300,000 metric tons (TMT). In response to the 2009 procurement price, growers sold a record 9.2 MMT of wheat (38% of the total crop) to government entities. Taking into account the current rate of off-take from government-owned stocks, Post's estimate of MY 2009/10 consumption was reduced marginally (3%) to 23.2 MMT, and ending stocks were increased substantially (87%) to 3.0 MMT.

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Despite a record wheat harvest in 2009, the Government of Pakistan (GOP) maintained a ban on exports of wheat and wheat products. The ban was relatively easy to enforce as the GOP controlled virtually all of the country's marketable wheat supplies and the 2009 procurement price rendered Pakistan wheat largely uncompetitive in regional markets. Nevertheless, it is estimated the 300 TMT of wheat/flour was exported to Afghanistan during the first quarter of the Pakistan wheat marketing year 2009/10 (April/March), prior to the onset of the Afghan harvest in July.

**WHEAT
Production**

Table 1: Wheat Production, Supply and Demand

Wheat Pakistan	2007			2008			2009		
	2007/2008			2008/2009			2009/2010		
	Market Year Begin: May 2007			Market Year Begin: May 2008			Market Year Begin: May 2009		
	Annual Data Displayed		New Post	Annual Data Displayed		New Post	Annual Data Displayed		Jan
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Area Harvested	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,200	8,200	8,200	9,000	9,053	9,053
Beginning Stocks	1,990	3,152	2,919	2,183	2,719	2,719	1,869	1,500	1,500
Production	23,300	21,800	23,300	21,500	21,500	21,500	24,000	24,000	24,000
MY Imports	1,493	200	1,700	2,800	1,500	3,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
TY Imports	1,554	200	1,700	2,800	1,500	3,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
TY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supply	26,783	25,152	27,919	26,483	25,719	27,219	26,869	26,500	26,500
MY Exports	2,200	500	2,200	2,400	300	2,450	1,000	0	300
TY Exports	2,200	500	2,200	2,400	300	2,450	1,000	1,000	300
Feed Consumption	400	400	1,000	400	419	469	400	400	400
FSI Consumption	22,000	21,600	22,000	22,200	22,500	22,531	22,900	23,500	22,800
Total Consumption	22,400	22,000	23,000	22,600	23,219	23,000	23,300	23,900	23,200
Ending Stocks	2,183	2,652	2,719	1,483	2,200	1,500	2,569	1,600	3,000
Total Distribution	26,783	25,152	27,919	26,483	25,719	27,219	26,869	26,500	26,500
Yield	3	2.7381	2.7738	2.622	2.622	2.622	2.67	2.651	2.651

