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## Short covering in wheat futures; Basis rolls at 11 cents to May

**KC CASH HRW WHEAT:** The basis rolled to May futures at 11 cents today and was 3 cents lower to 2 cents higher. The ordinary protein levels were 2 cents higher, the 11.6 and 11.8 proteins were 3 cents lower, and the 12.0 proteins were 1 cent lower.

**GULF HRW WHEAT, 11.0% protein:** Feb shipment was at 36 over KCBT May. Wheat for Mar shipment was u/q over May. Wheat for Apr shipment was u/q over May.

**PNW WHEAT:** The Pacific Northwest wheat markets were unchanged to n/a today. Last half of February soft white wheat values were unchanged at 4.75 today. Last half of February hard red spring wheat values were n/a at 160 over MGE May futures. Hard red winter wheat values for last half of February shipment were u/q over KCBT May wheat futures.

See back for futures prices and commentary.

### Receipts & Shipments

#### Kansas City

Rail and truck shown in 1,000 bushels

	Receipts		Shipments		
	Rail	Truck	Rail	Truck	Barge
Wheat	0	20	33	1	0
Corn	0	60	11	13	0
Soybeans	0	38	14	1	0
Sorghum	0	9	0	3	0
Oats	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	128	58	17	0

#### Hutchinson

	Receipts		Shipments	
	Rail	Truck	Rail	Truck
Wheat	134	21	0	0
Corn	0	0	0	1
Soybeans	0	0	0	0
Sorghum	0	11	0	0
Oats	0	0	0	0
Total	134	32	0	1

#### Wichita

	Receipts		Shipments	
	Rail	Truck	Rail	Truck
Wheat	-63	21	0	3
Corn	0	0	0	1
Soybeans	0	11	0	0
Sorghum	186	11	0	0
Oats	0	0	0	0
Total	123	43	0	4

#### Salina

	Receipts		Shipments	
	Rail	Truck	Rail	Truck
Wheat	0	6	0	0
Corn	0	8	0	0
Soybeans	0	4	0	3
Sorghum	0	94	0	0
Oats	0	0	0	0

### KC Spot HRW Wheat

Protein premiums and changes; Basis K.C. Mar

	Basis Range	Change	Protein	Basis Range	Change
Ordinary	-31/-16	+2/2	11.00 PCT	-18/-3	+0/0
11.20 PCT	-11/4	+0/0	11.40 PCT	17/32	+0/0
11.60 PCT	21/36	-3/-3	11.80 PCT	22/37	-3/-3
12.00 PCT	24/39	-1/-1	12.20 PCT	28/43	+0/0
12.40 PCT	33/48	+3/3	12.60 PCT	36/51	+0/0
12.80 PCT	36/51	+0/0	13.00 PCT	44/59	+0/0
13.20 PCT	44/59	+0/0	13.40 PCT	44/59	+0/0
13.60 PCT	54/69	+0/0	13.80 PCT	54/69	+0/0
14.00 PCT	54/69	+0/0	SRW	-61/49	+0/0

### KC Truck Bids

Bids posted as of the close today.

No. 2 Sorghum is in cwt.

	Basis	Range	
HRW	- 65 @ - 60 H	4.40 to 4.45	
SRW	- 70 @ - 62 H	4.35 to 4.43	
Corn	- 12 @ - 7 H	3.63 to 3.68	
Milo	- 48 @ - 45 H	5.84 to 5.89	
Soybeans	- 5 @ - 5 H	9.51 to 9.51	

### HRW Wheat Regional Truck Bids

KC, MO	-60	Mar	unch
Dodge City, KS	-90	Mar	unch
Hutchinson, KS	-70	Mar	unch
Salina, KS	-60	Mar	unch
Wichita, KS	-40	Mar	unch
Enid, OK	-60	Mar	unch
Texas Gulf	+40	Mar	-1

\*All truck bids quoted from previous days business

### Elevator Stocks

Stocks in regular elevators, in 1,000 bus.

	Kansas City			Wichita		
	Today	Change	Year Ago	Today's	Chg	Yr. Ago
Wheat	20,161	-14	13,581	20,122	-45	10,949
Corn	4,977	36	7,846	171	-1	1,010
Soybeans	940	24	2,379	360	11	549
Sorghum	267	6	781	2,771	197	3,065
Oats	0	0	26	0	0	0
All Grain	26,344	52	24,613	23,425	162	15,573
	Hutchinson			Salina		
Wheat	20,336	154	11,593	19,020	6	13,425
Corn	334	-1	0	664	7	699
Soybeans	710	4	1,488	211	2	539
Sorghum	3,985	11	7,367	5,742	94	7,133
Oats	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Grain	25,365	168	20,448	25,637	108	21,795

### KC Millfeed Prices

Hoppers..... 72 to 77  
Interior Trucks ..... 85 to 90

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	Futures Prices Quotes for February 24, 2010					Chg	Open Interest Quotes for February 23, 2010			
	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume		Open	Change		
<b>KANSAS CITY - Hard Red Winter Wheat</b>										
Mar	500.0	507.4	500.0	505.2	+	7.0	Mar	10,254	10,431 -	3,515
May	510-11.4	518.4	510.0	516.0	+	6.4	May	7,629	45,264 +	2,285
Jul	525.0	529.4	523.4	527.0	+	6.4	Jul	1,644	36,365 +	397
Sep	—	—	—	538.2	+	6.2	Sep	89	5,372 -	47
Dec	—	—	—	555.2	+	6.2	Dec	344	41,848 +	34
Total							Total	20,140	142,712 -	871
<b>Chicago - Wheat</b>										
Mar	493.4	500.4	493.4	500.2	+	8.4	Mar	34,885	24,593 -	11,023
May	508.0	515.0	508.0	513.6	+	8.0	May	41,943	166,968 +	4,747
Jul	523.4	526.4	523.0	526.2	+	8.0	Jul	11,422	122,921 -	427
Total							Total	91,741	423,126 -	6,195
<b>Chicago-Corn</b>										
Mar	371.2	375.6	370.6	375.2	+	7.4	Mar	113,231	80,636 -	24,205
May	381.6	386.4	381.2	386.2	+	7.4	May	105,816	439,741 +	4,440
Jul	382.4	397.0	382.4	396.6	+	7.4	Jul	23,126	232,857 +	1,351
Total							Total	277,534	1,124,609 -	20,306
<b>Chicago-Oats</b>										
Mar	222.0	222.0	222.0	222.0	-	4.4	Mar	295	1,372 -	135
May	229.0	230.4	229.0	230.4	-	4.4	May	794	8,617 -	84
Total							Total	1,217	14,188 -	150
<b>Chicago - Soybeans</b>										
Mar	958.0	964.0	945.4	955.4	+	3.0	Mar	90,583	40,283 -	15,757
May	963.4	969.0	952.0	963.0	+	3.4	May	111,440	185,928 +	8,117
Jul	970.0	974.0	962.0	970.4	+	5.0	Jul	45,721	93,525 +	3,488
Total							Total	266,659	448,051 -	2,270
<b>Minneapolis Wheat-Electronic</b>										
Mar	507.2	514.6	505.4	512.6	+	6.0	Mar	3,722	4,658 -	2,129
May	519.0	526.4	517.2	525.0	+	6.2	May	2,332	15,305 +	733
Jul	530.2	538.0	528.6	536.4	+	6.0	Jul	241	9,975 +	86
Total							Total	6,636	42,544 -	1,330

**KC Wheat Options**  
Closing Prices of KC wheat options closest to strike levels for more active contracts, with previous close. Volume, Open Interest and Changes from previous day.

Strk	Cls	Prev	Vol	Open	Chg
<b>May Calls</b>					
520	26.2	22.3	50	90	0
530	22.1	19.5	0	62	0
540	18.4	16.3	0	23	0
550	15.3	13.4	0	23	0
560	12.6	11.1	0	33	0
570	—	—	0	0	0
580	8.4	7.3	0	19	0
<b>Jul Calls</b>					
530	41.0	37.7	6	170	0
540	36.7	34.0	0	6	0
550	33.0	30.3	0	165	0
560	29.4	27.1	0	19	0
570	26.3	24.1	0	7	0
580	23.4	21.4	2	30	0
590	—	—	0	0	0
<b>Sep Calls</b>					
560	—	—	0	0	0
570	40.3	37.5	0	18	0
580	—	—	0	0	0
590	—	—	0	0	0
600	30.5	28.4	0	2	0
610	—	—	0	0	0
Total Calls			63	4,178 +	0
<b>May Puts</b>					
450	54.9	6.2	0	45	0
460	—	—	0	0	0
470	50.5	11.3	0	91	0
480	47.5	14.6	0	55	0
490	43.9	18.5	0	0	0
500	39.8	23.1	1	0	0
510	35.0	28.2	1	35	0
520	29.8	33.7	0	98	0
<b>Jul Puts</b>					
460	14.2	15.7	0	69	0
470	17.2	19.2	0	128	0
480	20.6	22.7	0	378	0
490	24.5	27.0	0	34	0
500	28.7	31.4	1	223	0
510	33.4	36.3	0	16	0
520	38.5	41.6	2	61	0
<b>Sep Puts</b>					
450	15.7	17.3	3	37	0
460	—	—	0	0	0
470	22.1	23.7	0	2,000	0
480	25.6	27.5	0	4	0
490	—	—	0	0	0
Total Puts			15	4,756	0

## KCBT Wheat Futures

Kansas City wheat futures traded stronger today, supported by weakness in the U.S. Dollar and short-covering activity, according to traders. Overall, there was minimal news for wheat futures today, traders added. Traders were attuned to the Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's comments to Congress today, traders said. Bernanke announced intentions to keep rates lower for an extended period of time, according to a source. The Dollar reacted by trading lower and the stock market rallied on the news.

KC Mar wheat settled 7 cents higher at \$5.05 1/4.

Today's trading volume was estimated at 24,285 contracts.

## Gulf Grain Bids

HRW wheat bids basis track rail at Galveston/Houston, TX on KCBT futures; SRW wheat, corn and soybeans basis Chicago

Shp.	HRW-Rail			Soft Red-Barge	
Feb	+	36	K	+	40 H
Mar	+	u/q	K	+	40 H
Apr	+	u/q	K	+	20 K
<b>Corn-Barge</b>					
Feb	+	48	H	+	58 H
Mar	+	48	H	+	52 H
Apr	+	38	K	+	45 K
<b>Soybeans-Barge</b>					
				+	35 H
Texas Gulf Ports/Track Sorghum					

## Nominal Range for Cash Prices

HRW Wheat		SRW Wheat	
No. 1	\$435.0 @	\$447.4	No. 1 \$439.0 @ \$556.4
No. 2	\$434.0 @	\$447.0	No. 2 \$438.0 @ \$556.0
No. 3	\$423.0 @	\$446.0	No. 3 \$427.0 @ \$555.0
No. 4	\$415.0 @	\$442.4	No. 4 \$419.0 @ \$551.4
Yellow Corn		White Corn	
No. 2	\$356.6 @	\$368.0	No. 2 \$387.0 @ \$390.0
No. 3	\$336.6 @	\$367.0	
No. 4	\$316.6 @	\$366.0	No. 1 \$940.2 @ \$958.0
Sorghum			
per cwt.		per bus.	
No. 2	\$573.0 @	\$589.0	No. 2 \$320.6 @ \$330.0
No. 3	\$537.0 @	\$580.0	No. 3 \$300.6 @ \$325.0
No. 4	\$501.0 @	\$571.0	No. 4 \$280.6 @ \$320.0