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## **International Grains Council (IGC)**

## An intergovernmental organisation that seeks to:

- Further international cooperation in grains trade
- Promote expansion, openness and fairness in the grains sector
- Contribute to <u>market stability</u> and enhance world food security



Information sharing, analysis and data on global markets for wheat, coarse grains, rice and oilseeds. Consultation on policy developments.



Food Assistance Convention (FAC)

Objectives are to save lives, reduce hunger and improve food security, while enhancing the nutritional status of the most vulnerable populations.



Inter-agency platform enhancing food market transparency and policy response for food security.

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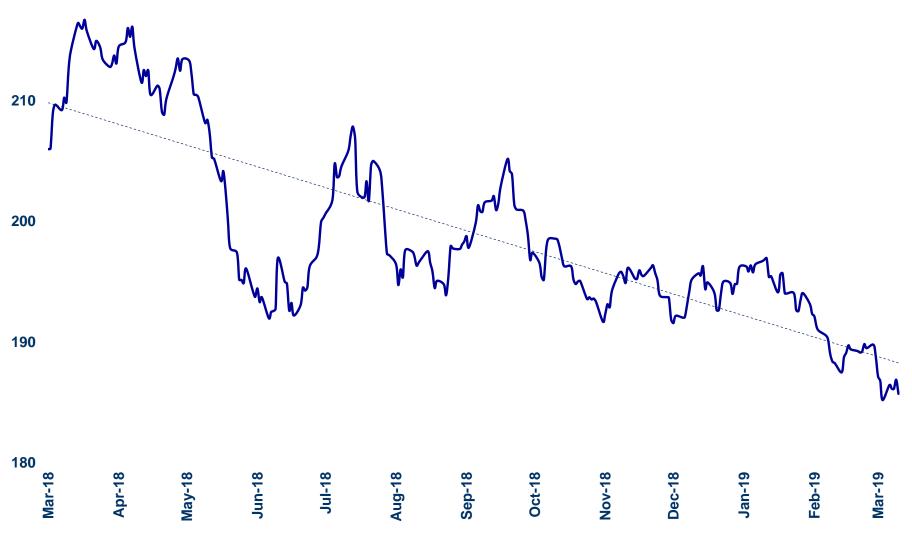
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## A bumpy ride, but markets gripped by bearish sentiment igc.int

IGC daily grains and oilseeds index (GOI), January 2000 = 100

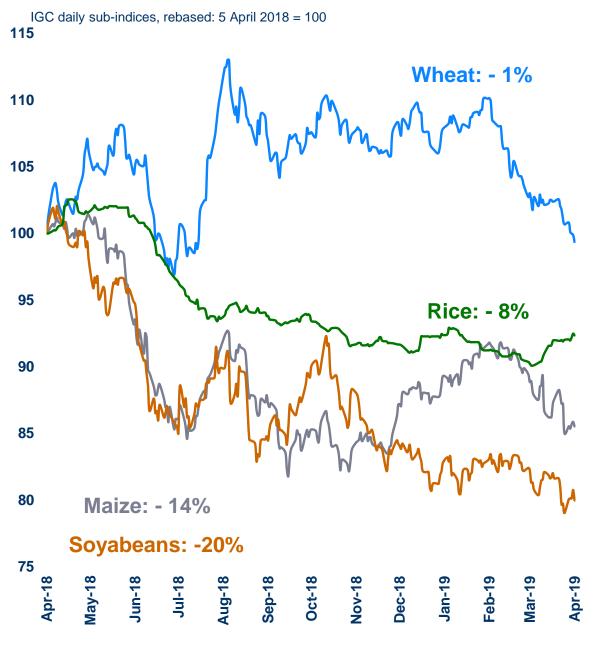


IGC GOI is a weighted index, including 34 fob export quotations across a range of origins, spanning eight commodities

For further information, see: www.igc.int/grainsupdate/igc\_goi.xls; \* refers to year-on-year change



## Highlighting trends across core markets



Wheat: Recently markets have fallen on positive northern hemisphere crop outlooks, but average values are only a touch lower y/y

Maize: After touching a low in midto-late 2018, markets strengthened on good US export demand and S American crop worries. But recent prospects for big harvests have weighed.

**Soyabeans**: Market has posted a net fall of one-fifth y/y, although periods have been characterised by volatility. Uncertainty surrounding US-China trade has remained a persistent feature, as has prospects for heavy availabilities.

**Rice**: Despite gains in some Asian exporters, the market has retreated on mostly bearish fundamentals.



- Supply & demand for 100 + countries for 13 commodities
- ➤ Trade flows 500 + monthly datasets for 53 exporters, covering more than 95% of global trade
- Market pricing futures & export quotations covering all major exchanges and origins
- > Supplementary data covering domestic prices, currencies, freight rates and myriad other indicators



## How do we disseminate information?

#### Three main access tiers:

- All IGC information is provided without charge to member governments.
- Partial availability to paid subscribers.
- Limited access to public.



#### **IGC** website

Includes comprehensive database of current and historical market information for members. Selection of information also available on the public area of the website.



## Daily Monitor Daily Rice Brief Daily Oilseeds Brief

Daily updates of grain and oilseeds developments, statistics and export prices.

IGC members only



#### GOI

A trade-weighted measure of price movements across seven core commodities, calculated daily using 34 export quotations at leading origins.

Available on the public area of the website.



## Monthly Report (GMR)

Detailed review of the past month's market developments and update of statistics and forecasts.



## Weekly Report (GMI)

Weekly review of market developments and export prices across main commodities



## Ocean Freight Rates & GOFI

Weekly table of over 100 dry bulk rates on major grains and oilseeds routes. Also GOFI index available



## A <u>flexible</u> approach using multiple sources

#### Govt. agencies









**Market Platforms** 







#### **Newswires**

















#### **Govt. surveys**











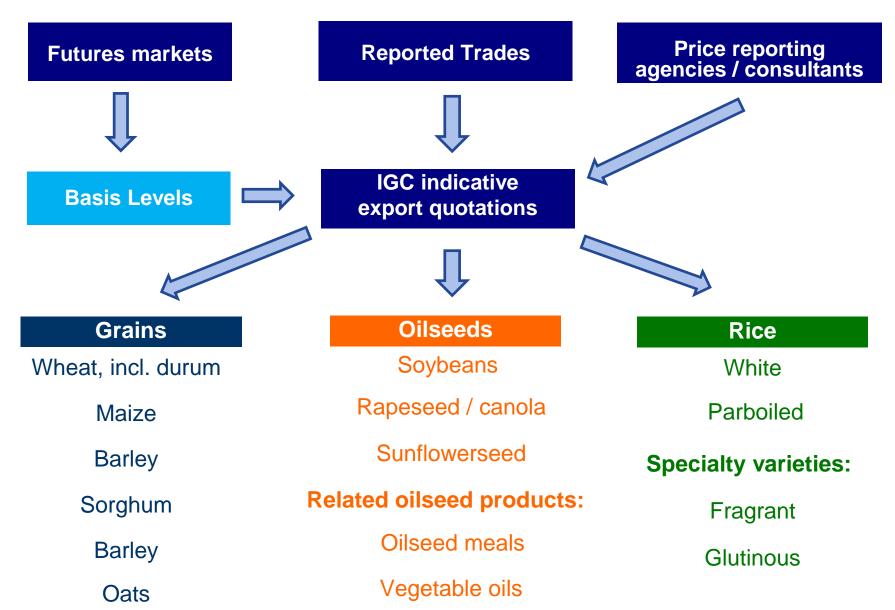






## Indicative daily export price assessments

### FOB price assessments are constructed using the following process





**BARLEY** 

Argentina Feed, Up River

#### International Grains Council Conseil international des céréales Consejo Internacional de Cereales Международный совет по зерну

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## **IGC DAILY PRICE SHEET**

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Monday 25 March 2019

Международн	ный со	вет п	о зерн	У				ivion	day 25	iviar	ch 2019		
IGC DAILY EXPORT QUOTATIONS:	22/03/1	.9									% CHANGE	(NEARBY QUO	TATION)
fob, US\$/t	Mar	+/-	Apr	+/-	May	+/-	Jun	+/-	Jul	+/-	-1 wk	-1 mth	-1 yr
WHEAT													
Argentina Grade B, Up River	226	-2	226	-2	229	-2	237	-2			-3	-6	+2
Argentina (10.5%), Up River											n/a	n/a	n/a
Australia APW, Port Adelaide (SA)	255	-1									-1	-7	+12
Australia ASW, Port Adelaide (SA) <sup>1)</sup>	250	-									-2	-7	+14
Australia ANW, Fremantle (WA)	243	-2									-1	+2	-16
Australia APW, Fremantle (WA) <sup>1)</sup>	240	-4									-1	-3	+2
Australia ASW, Fremantle (WA) <sup>1)</sup>	238	-6									-2	-3	+3
Australia H1, Fremantle (WA)	262	-7									n/a	n/a	n/a
Australia H2, Fremantle (WA) <sup>1)</sup>	253	-5									n/a	n/a	n/a
Australia Feed, Newcastle (NSW) <sup>1)</sup>	313	-4									-1	-5	n/a
Canada 1 CWRS (13.5%), St. Lawrence			252	-	253	-	251	-1	252	-1	-	-1	+5
Canada 1 CWRS (13.5%), Vancouver			250	-	251	-	249	-1	250	-1	-	-1	+5
Canada 1 CWAD, St. Lawrence											n/a	n/a	n/a
EU (France) Grade 1, Rouen	221	-	222	-	223	-	224	-	200	-1	-	-2	+7
EU (France) Grade 2, Rouen	219	-	220	-	221	-	222	-	198	-1	-	-2	+8
EU (France) Durum, La Pallice											n/a	n/a	n/a
EU (Germany) B quality, Hamburg	227	-1	228	-1	229	-2	230	-2	231	-2	+1	-3	+7
EU (Romania) Milling (12.5%), Constanta	229	-									+1	-4	+10
EU (UK) Feed, Eastern			235	+3							_	_	+10
Russia Milling (12.5%)	228	-	228	-	228	-	230	+1			+1	-4	+9
Ukraine Feed	215	+1	215	+1	217	+2	219	-			+1	-4	+8
US SRW, Gulf			210	-	210	-	204	-2	202	-2	+1	-6	+3
US HRW (11.5%), Gulf			224	-1	224	+3	224	-	224	-	-	-2	-5
US DNS (13.5%), PNW			269	+4	262	+2					+4	+4	-2
US DNS (14.0%), PNW			269	+2	262	+1					+3	+4	-3
US SW, PNW			231	-							-	-5	+6
MAIZE (CORN)													
Argentina, Up River	166	+1	166	+1					159	-	+1	-1	-11
Brazil, Paranagua							171	-	168	-		-12	 n/a
EU (France), Atlantic	195	+1	196	+1	197	+1	198	+1	199	+1	+1	+1	-5
Ukraine Feed	172	-	172	-	-						+1	-2	-15
US 3YC, Gulf			176	+1	175	+1	175	+1	175	+1	+2	-2	-4
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GLOBAL GRAINS & OILSEED	s FUTU	RES SUMMARY: 22/03/19									% СН	% CHANGE (NEARBY QUOTATION)						
		NEARBY	+t-		Mth 2	H-		Mth 3	+l-		Mth 4	+t-		-1 vi	c	-1 mt	h	−1 yr
WHEAT																		
Australia (ASX) Eastern 1) Australia (ASX) WA APW 1) Black Sea (Platts) (CME) EU (France - NYSE Euronext) Milling EU (UK - NYSE Euronext) Feed South Africa (SAFEX) US (CME) SRW US (CME) HRW US (MGE) HRS	A\$/t A\$/t US\$/t I/t £/t ZAR/t USc/bu USc/bu USc/bu	377.00 330.00 226.00 189.50 162.65 4,568.00 466.00 445.00 572.25	-0.50 - - +0.50 - n/a -0.50 -2.00 +1.00	May Mar May Mar Mar May May	382.00 331.00 226.00 177.50 164.55 4,611.00 470.75 453.50 570.75	-0.50 -2.00 +1.00 +0.05 n/a -0.75 -1.75 -0.50	Jul Jul Apr Sep May Apr Jul Jul	385.50 333.00 226.50 180.75 164.90 4,646.00 479.50 465.00 574.75	-0.50 -2.00 +0.75 -0.10 n/a -0.50 -1.50 -1.00	Sep Sep May Dec Jul May Sep Sep Sep	320.00 300.00 205.00 184.25 148.25 4,685.00 494.25 484.50 585.75	+0.75 -0.10 n/a -0.50 -0.75 -1.25	Jan Jan Jun Mar Nov Jul Dec Dec		-2 -5 +0 +1 +0 +1 +0 +3		-4 -7 -7 -3 -1 -4 -4 -3 -1	+37 -1 +9 +16 +16 +20 +2 -6 -3
MAIZE (CORN)																		
Black Sea (Platts) (CME) Brazil (BCE) China (Dalian) 1) EU (France - NYSE Euronext) South Africa (SAFEX) White South Africa (SAFEX) Yellow US (CME) #2 Yellow	US\$h BRL/kg RMB/h I/h ZAR/h ZAR/h USc/bu	171.00 36.70 1,815.00 170.50 2,914.00 2,727.00 378.25	+0.75 +0.84 - - n/a n/a +2.00	Mar May May Jun Mar Mar May	175.50 34.45 1,832.00 174.00 2,937.00 2,730.00 387.50	+2.00 +0.75 -1.00 - n/a n/a +2.00	Apr Jul Jul Aug Apr Apr Jul	176.25 34.59 1,840.00 171.75 2,981.00 2,743.00 393.25	+1.75 +0.79 -4.00 +1.50 n/a n/a +1.50	May Sep Sep Nov May May Sep	176.75 36.50 1,870.00 173.50 3,052.00 2,767.00 400.00	+1.50 +0.50 -7.00 +0.75 n/a n/a +1.25	Jun Nov Nov Jan Jul Jul Dec		+1   -8 -2 - +2 +3 +1		-4 -12 +3 -1 +6 +5 +1	-15 -3 +1 +5 -54 -39
BARLEY																		
Australia (ASX) Feed 1)	A\$/t	345.00		May	348.00		Jul	350.00	-	Sep	350.00	-	Nov	į	-4	- (	-4	+29
SORGHUM																		
Australia (ASX) 1)	A\$/t	368.50	-	May	368.50	-	Jul	368.50	-	Sep	368.50	-	Nov	į	+2	į	+2	+13
OATS																		
US (CME)	UScłbu	278.50	-2.25	May	275.00	-2.00	Jul	266.75	-2.50	Sep	261.75	-	Dec	)	+1		+3	+22
RICE																		
China (ZCE) Non-glutinous 1) US (CME)	RMB/t \$/cwt	2,201.00 1,121.00	+12.50	May May	2,356.00 1,132.00	+11.00	Jul Jul	2,341.00 1,120.50	+10.50	Sep Sep	2,341.00 1,121.50	+8.00	Nov Nov	į	+5		-8 +10	-27 -9
OILSEEDS																		
Brazil Soyabeans (BCE) Canada (ICE) Canola China (Dalian) Soy No.1 1) China (Dalian) Soy No.2) 1)	BRL/kg C\$/t RMB/t RMB/t	453,90 3,361,00 3,071,00	-14,30 -13,00		462.50 3,421.00 2,873.00	-14.10 -28.00 -12.00	Jul Jul May	474.80 3,447.00 2,932.00	-14.10 -13.00 -11.00	Nov Sep Jun	481.30 3,427.00 3,028.00	-13.70 +17.00 +4.00	Jan Nov Jul -		-2 -2 +4		-4 +2 +5	-13 -10 -9



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Ukraine

SOYAMEAL
Argentina (Up River)

SOYAOIL
Argentina (Up River)

RAPESEED / CANOLA
Australia (Fremantle) 1)

Brazil 48% (Paranagua)

India 48% (Mumbai)

Brazil (Paranagua)

Canada (Vancouver)

EU (France) (Rouen)

Canada (Vancouver)

EU (Germany) (Hamburg)

EU (Romania) (Constanta)

RAPESEED / CANOLA OIL EU (Netherlands) (ex-mill)

SUNFLOWERSEED EU (Bulgaria) (Varna)

**SUNFLOWERSEED MEAL** 

EU (France) (Bordeaux)

Argentina (Up River)
SUNFLOWERSEED OIL
Argentina (Up River)

US 48% (Gulf)

US (Gulf)

Ukraine

Ukraine

Ukraine

## **IGC DAILY OILSEEDS PRICES SUMMARY**

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Сопѕејо II Междунар					Monday	25 March 201	9			
IGC DAILY OILSEEDS EXPO		% CHANGE								
fob, US\$/t	NEARBY	1	Prev. day	Wk. ago	Mth Ago.	Yr Ago.	-1 wk	-1 n	nth	-1 yr
SOYABEANS										
Argentina (Up River)	337	Mar	337	336	347	397	-	-0	-3	-15
Brazil (Paranagua)	346	Apr	349	350	355	411		-1	-3	-16
Brazil (Rio Grande)	348	Apr	347	350	354	410		-0	-2	-15
Brazil (Santos)	348	Apr	347	350	355	410		-1	-2	-15
Paraguay (Nueva Palmira)						410	, n	/a	n/a	n/a
2Y, US (Gulf)	352	Apr	354	355	355	405		-1	-1	-13
2Y, US (PNW)		Apr	364				n,	/a	n/a	n/a

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5% Broken

15% Broken

25% Broken

5% Broken

5% Broken

5% Broken

25% Broken

100% Broken

25% Broken

100% Broken

Parboiled, 5% Broken

Parboiled, 5% Broken

100% Broken

White and parboiled grades

Fragrant and other grades

White and parboiled grades

White and parboiled grades

VIETNAM<sup>2)</sup>

INDIA 3)

PAKISTAN 4)

## **IGC DAILY RICE PRICE SUMMARY**

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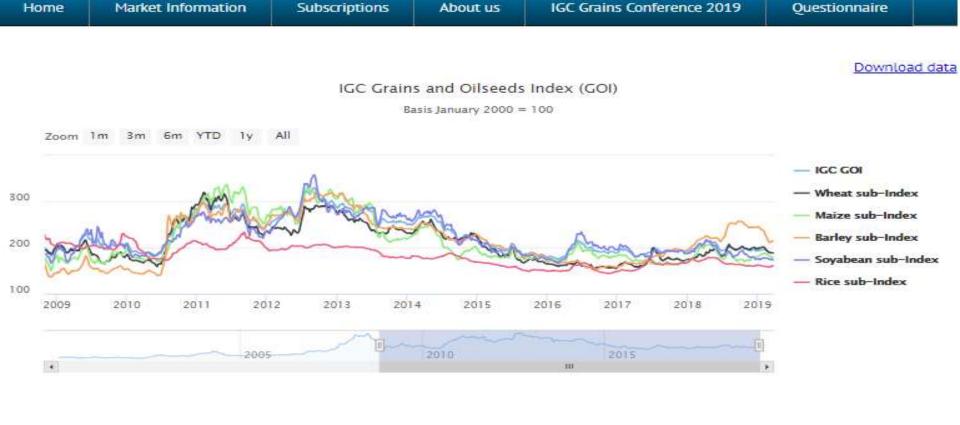
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IGC DAILY RICE EXPORT QUOTATION	ONS & RELATED	INDICATORS: 2	2/03/19			% CHANGE				
fob, US\$/t	NEARBY	Prev.day	Wk ago	Mth ago	Yr ago	-1 wk -1 mth				
THAILAND 1)										
White and parboiled grades										
5% Broken	<b>388</b> Ap	r 386	384	386	409	+1 +1				
15% Broken	<b>384</b> Ap	r 384	378	385	402	+2 -				
25% Broken	<b>374</b> Ap	r 373	373	376	395	-1				
100% Grade B	<b>398</b> Ap	r 396	394	395	420	+1 +1				
A1 Super (100% Broken)	<b>353</b> Ap	r 353	353	361	365					
Parboiled, 100% Sortexed	<b>394</b> Ap	r 394	392	397	414	+1 -1				
Parboiled, 5% Broken, Sortexed	<b>389</b> Ap	r 389	387	392	405	+1 -1				
Parboiled, 5% Broken	<b>379</b> Ap	r 379	377	382	393	+1 -1				
Fragrant and other grades										
100% Grade B (Hommali)	<b>1,085</b> Ap	r 1,085	1,085	1,090	1,090					
100% Grade B (Pathumthani)	<b>690</b> Ap	r 690	675	686	830	+2 +1				



## The daily Grains and Oilseeds Index (GOI) & sub-Indices





Grains and Oilseeds Index	187	-2	-9 %	187	217
Wheat sub-Index	188	149	3 %	179	208
Maize sub-Index	179	-1	-9 %	168	208
Rice sub-Index	161	v 53	-7 %	158	180
Soyabeans sub-Index	170	-4	-17 %	171	218
Barley sub-Index	212	-1	-5 %	210	259

Annual Change

52 Week High

52 Week Low

Daily Change

27 Mar



## Market stability - what do the experts say?

Transparency helps reduce price volatility because all market participants can base decisions of value on the same data

Investopedia, 2018

Volatility is exacerbated by a lack of accurate information on the international supply, demand and stocks situation

David Hallam, FAO, 2011

The better the market information that can be made generally available, the more rational the response to a run-up in prices is likely to be at all levels, from private agents through national governments to the international donor community

Stefan Tangermann Emeritus Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development University of Göttingen, 2011

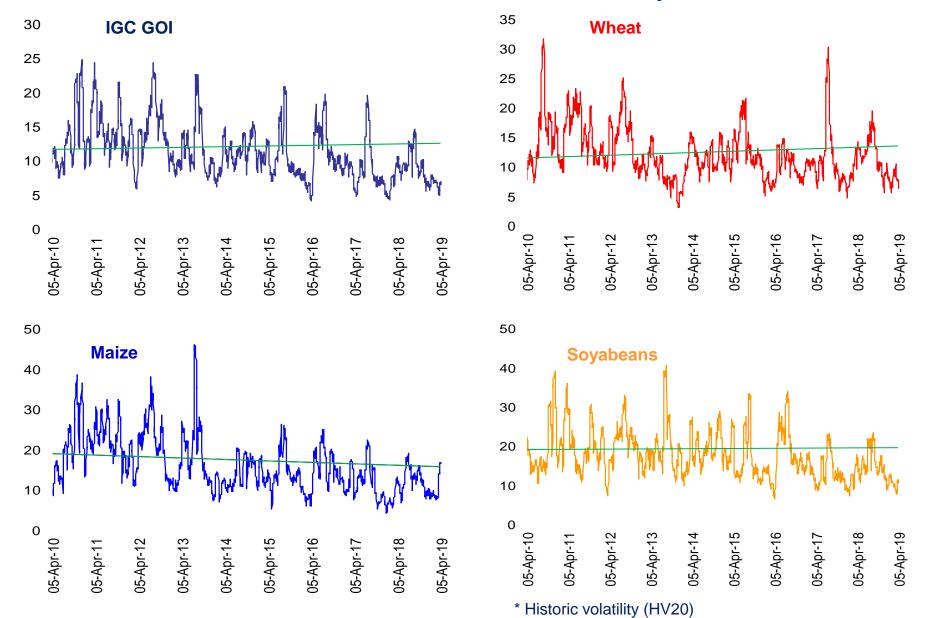
By enhancing transparency and policy coordination in international food markets, AMIS has helped to prevent unexpected price hikes and strengthen global food security.

Agricultural Market Information System (AMIS) website



## Contributing to market stability \*

### But is there a trend to reduced volatility?





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## A stage further: calculating cost and freight (c&f) prices

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Markets

Soyabeans -3 selected + 2 selected + Filter Data Reset **COST AND FREIGHT QUOTATIONS** Soyabeans Brazil (Paranagua) - China (S) Soyabeans US 2Y Gulf - China (Dalian) 460 440 420 400 380 360 340 May 17 Sep 17 Jan 18 May 18 Sep '18 Jan 119

Conference

4Арг	Origin	Destination	Price (FOB)	Freight Rate	Export Price (C&F)	Daily Change	Annual Change	52 Week Low	52 Week High	
Soyabeans	Brazil (Paranagua)	China (S)	\$345	\$22	\$367	+\$2	-21%	\$358	\$465	+
Soyabeans	US 2Y (Gulf)	China (Dalian)	\$349	541	\$390	+\$3	-1396	\$350	\$473	*



## **IGC** contributes to the AMIS platform





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AMIS Market Monitor

#### International prices

#### International Grains Council (IGC) Grains and Oilseeds Index (GOI) and GOI sub-Indices

	Feb 2018	% Ch	ange
	Average*	M/M	Y/Y
GOI	194	+ 0.2%	- 2.8%
Wheat	197	- 1.3%	+10.1%
Maize	187	+ 1.5%	+1,2%
Rice	159	- 1.4%	- 7.6%
Soybeans	177	+ 0.9%	- 9.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Jan 2000=100, derived from daily export quotations

#### Wheat

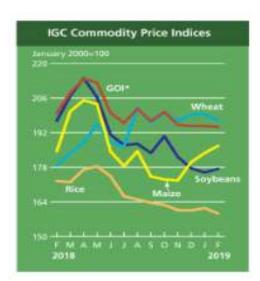
Signs of tightening export availabilities in the Black Sea region contributed to early February gains in world values, with the IGC GOI wheat sub-Index touching its highest since mid-October. Although there was evidence that export sales from other origins were picking up, including by the US and the EU, the overall pace of shipments continued to disappoint some market participants, weighing on price sentiment as the month progressed. Although there was some price support from confirmation of historically low winter wheat seeding in the US, few perceived threats to global 2019/20 production prospects. By the end of February, the IGC GOI wheat sub-Index had receded to around seven-month lows.

World maize export prices firmed for a third successive month, the IGC GOI sub-Index up by 1.5 percent, to its highest since May 2018. Gains in US quotations were entirely linked to firmer FOB (Gulf) premiums, which rose sharply on weather-related shipping disruptions along Midwest talk of very good yield potential, a weaker tone was observed in Argentina.

#### Rice

Against the backdrop of ample availabilities and limited activity, average rice export values were modestly lower m/m. However, there were mixed trends: while prices in Thailand generally held steady, quotations in Viet Nam weakened on sluggish demand from traditional markets and supply-side pressure. However, the downside was capped by news that the government of the Philippines had removed quantitative restrictions on imports, effective early-March. Outside of Asia, US milled rice export prices retreated on softer demand in Central America and prospects for large end-season stocks. Soybeans

Average soybean values were marginally firmer during February, tied to increases in the US and Brazil. Gains were underpinned by worries about 2018/19 production prospects in Brazil, highlighted by downgrades to official and private forecasts, although there were signs more recently that



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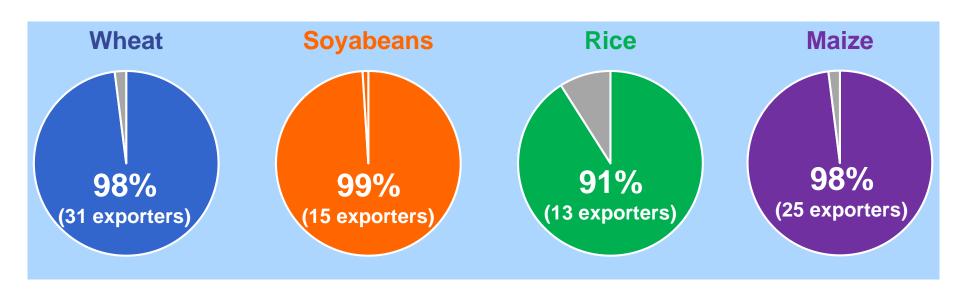
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## Markets & trade: a bit more on global shipments

- Covers wheat, wheat-based products, maize, barley, sorghum, oats, rye, minor grains, rice by type, soyabeans and soyabean products, rapeseed/canola, sunflowerseed and palm oil
- Estimates and forecasts for trade in each commodity generated using a global matrix, based on a platform of exporter shipments data
- Data for 223 importers and nearly all exporters
- Work on pulses started in mid-2017

Monthly trade flows collected and monitored account for the following shares of trade:





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Austria

Belgium

Bulgaria

Cyprus

Denmark

Estonia

Finland

France

150 Far East Asia

152 Pacific Asia

156 Cambodia

159 Hong Kong

160 Indonesia

162 Korea (N)

163 Korea (S)

161 Japan

164 Laos

165 Macao

158 Chinese Taipei

157 China

Germany

Czech Republic

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107,494,450

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An exporter-driven matrix: forecasts for 200+ imported
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<b>A</b>	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	H [1]	J K	L	Y AE	AC
1					E	XPORTERS				2018/19	17/18	Average
2	IMPORTERS	Argentina	Brazil	Canada	China	Ukraine	USA	Others	World	F'cast		for 18/19
	EUROPE	-	590,315	138,647	13,977	186,324	4,047,661		4,976,925	16,530,100	15,202,318	14,240,288
	Albania	_	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	16
7	Andorra	_	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-

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