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Wheat, Corn, Grain Sorghum, and Soybean Complex

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- This summary based on reports for the 27th of March 2026
- Outstanding Export Sales (Unshipped Balances) on the 19th of Mar 2026
- Export Shipments in Current Marketing Year
- Daily Sales Reported for the 26th of March 2026

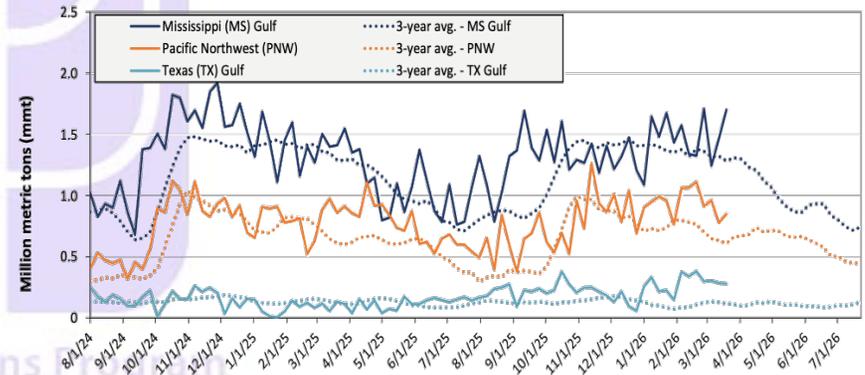
U.S. EXPORT ACTIVITY

➤ Export Sales

- Export Sales data for the week ending March 19, unshipped balances of corn, soybeans, and wheat for marketing year (MY) 2025/26 totaled 36.37 mmmts, down 3% from last week and up 20% from the same time last year.
- Net corn export sales were 1.22 mmmts, up 4% from last week.
- Net soybean export sales were .67 mmmts, down 124% from last week.
- Net wheat export sales were .40 mmmts, up 109% from last week.

➤ Vessel Loadings

Figure 18. U.S. grain inspections for U.S. Gulf and PNW (wheat, corn, and soybeans)



Source: USDA, Federal Grain Inspection Service.

Ocean - For the week ending March 19, 40 oceangoing grain vessels were loaded in the Gulf—54% more the same period last year. Within the next 10 days (starting March 20), 36 vessels were expected to be loaded - 12% fewer than the same period last year. As of March 19, the rate for shipping a metric ton (mt) of grain from the U.S. Gulf to Japan was \$62.25, up 3% from the previous week. The rate from the Pacific Northwest to Japan was \$34.25 per mt, up 1% from the previous week.

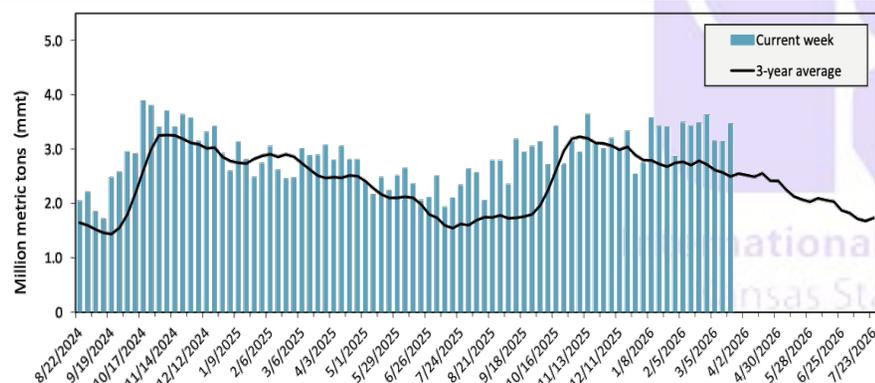
Table 14. U.S. export balances and cumulative exports (1,000 metric tons)

Grain Exports		Wheat					Corn	Soybeans	Total	
		Hard red winter (HRW)	Soft red winter (SRW)	Hard red spring (HRS)	Soft white wheat (SWW)	Durum				All wheat
Current unshipped (outstanding) export sales	For the week ending 3/19/2026	1,404	646	1,356	1,042	129	4,576	23,738	8,058	36,373
	This week year ago	1,355	655	1,321	1,232	64	4,628	20,041	5,704	30,373
	Last 4 wks. as % of same period 2024/25	102	105	104	86	245	101	122	158	125
Current shipped (cumulative) exports sales	2025/26 YTD	7,097	2,658	4,982	4,319	455	19,511	45,137	29,198	93,846
	2024/25YTD	3,788	2,464	5,311	4,437	272	16,272	33,019	39,867	89,159
	YTD 2025/26 as % of 2024/25	187	108	94	97	167	120	137	73	105
	Total 2024/25	5,377	3,106	6,560	5,730	335	21,107	69,081	50,106	140,295
	Total 2023/24	3,535	4,260	6,314	3,906	526	18,540	54,277	44,510	117,328

Note: The marketing year for wheat is June 1 to May 31 and, for corn and soybeans, September 1 to August 31. YTD = year-to-date; wks. = weeks.
Source: USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service.

➤ **Export Inspections**

Figure 17. U.S. grain inspected for export (wheat, corn, and soybeans)



**GRAINS INSPECTED AND/OR WEIGHED FOR EXPORT
REPORTED IN WEEK ENDING MAR 19, 2026
-- METRIC TONS --**

GRAIN	WEEK ENDING			CURRENT MARKET YEAR TO DATE	PREVIOUS MARKET YEAR TO DATE
	03/19/2026	03/12/2026	03/20/2025		
BARLEY	0	0	0	7,145	9,427
CORN	1,700,178	1,670,829	1,548,021	44,580,849	32,352,764
FLAXSEED	48	0	24	456	336
MIXED	0	0	0	0	122
OATS	0	0	0	5,785	647
RYE	0	0	0	0	0
SORGHUM	182,179	127,639	6,688	2,686,541	1,560,498
SOYBEANS	1,101,730	981,213	833,816	29,182,214	39,956,887
SUNFLOWER	0	0	0	40	0
WHEAT	458,411	343,659	485,268	19,929,483	16,891,923
Total	3,442,546	3,123,340	2,873,817	96,392,513	90,772,604

CROP MARKETING YEARS BEGIN JUNE 1 FOR WHEAT, RYE, OATS, BARLEY AND FLAXSEED; SEPTEMBER 1 FOR CORN, SORGHUM, SOYBEANS AND SUNFLOWER SEEDS. INCLUDES WATERWAY SHIPMENTS TO CANADA.

**SOYBEANS INSPECTED AND/OR WEIGHED FOR EXPORT
BY PORT AREA AND COUNTRY OF DESTINATION
REPORTED IN WEEK ENDING MAR 19, 2026
-- METRIC TONS --**

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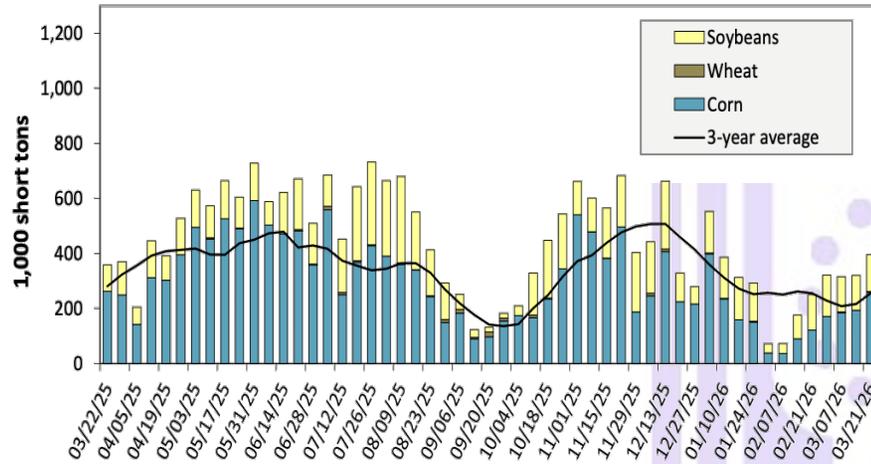
Table 18. Grain inspections for export by U.S. port region (1,000 metric tons)

Port regions	Commodity	For the week ending 03/19/2026	Previous week*	Current week as % of previous	2026 YTD*	2025 YTD*	2026 YTD as % of 2025 YTD	Last 4-weeks as % of:		2025 total*
								Last year	Prior 3-yr. avg.	
Pacific Northwest	Corn	457	396	115	5,555	5,115	109	93	140	24,214
	Soybeans	268	272	99	2,571	1,451	177	268	329	2,957
	Wheat	124	110	112	2,272	2,201	103	91	100	12,271
	All grain	849	778	109	10,398	8,837	118	111	144	39,721
Mississippi Gulf	Corn	901	894	101	8,070	8,147	99	108	127	37,115
	Soybeans	641	534	120	7,904	6,840	116	106	113	23,350
	Wheat	159	38	414	697	606	115	156	87	3,980
	All grain	1,701	1,466	116	16,671	15,593	107	109	119	64,484
Texas Gulf	Corn	0	35	0	316	95	334	123	174	590
	Soybeans	0	0	n/a	87	106	82	0	0	1,431
	Wheat	100	126	79	1,006	565	178	138	168	4,690
	All grain	279	285	98	3,236	850	381	297	248	7,774
Interior	Corn	258	294	88	3,400	2,472	138	122	128	15,546
	Soybeans	128	172	74	1,579	1,456	108	107	103	7,712
	Wheat	76	69	111	647	608	106	111	121	3,104
	All grain	476	544	88	5,723	4,589	125	116	120	26,887
Great Lakes	Corn	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	414
	Soybeans	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	63
	Wheat	0	0	n/a	11	22	50	n/a	0	434
	All grain	0	0	n/a	11	22	50	n/a	0	911
Atlantic	Corn	84	52	161	378	89	426	456	618	607
	Soybeans	5	3	172	233	409	57	120	19	1,085
	Wheat	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	0	81
	All grain	89	55	161	611	498	123	349	139	1,773
All Regions	Corn	1,700	1,671	102	17,718	15,917	111	108	134	78,486
	Soybeans	1,102	981	112	12,778	10,367	123	129	132	36,851
	Wheat	458	344	133	4,634	4,002	116	110	109	24,560
	All grain	3,454	3,128	110	37,054	30,493	122	121	133	141,803

*Note: Data include revisions from prior weeks; "All grain" includes corn, soybeans, wheat, sorghum, oats, barley, rye, sunflower, flaxseed, and mixed grains; "All regions" includes listed regions and other minor regions not listed; YTD = year-to-date; n/a = not available or no change. A "-" in the table indicates a percentage change with a near-zero denominator for the period.
Source: USDA, Federal Grain Inspection Service.

➤ **BARGE MOVEMENTS**

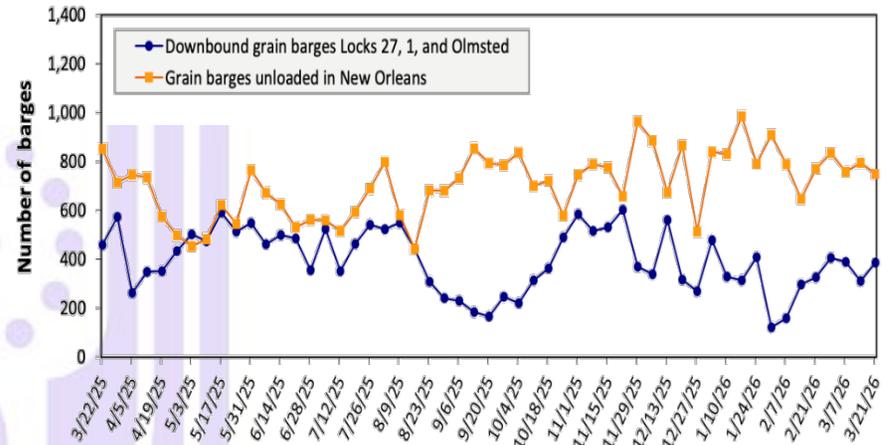
Figure 12. Barge movements on the Mississippi River (Locks 27-Granite City, IL)



Note: The 3-year average is a 4-week moving average.
Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

For the week ending March 21, 387 barges moved down river, 76 more than the previous week. There were 749 grain barges unloaded in the New Orleans Region, 6% fewer than the previous week.

Figure 14. Grain barges for export in New Orleans region



Note: Olmsted = Olmsted Locks and Dam.
Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service.

Barge – For the week ending March 21st, barged grain movements totaled 621,300 tons. This was 30% more than the previous week and 7% less than the same week last year.

Table 10. Barged grain movements (1,000 tons)

For the week ending 03/21/2026	Corn	Wheat	Soybeans	Other	Total
Mississippi River (Rock Island, IL (L15))	17	0	0	0	17
Mississippi River (Winfield, MO (L25))	60	3	16	0	79
Mississippi River (Alton, IL (L26))	248	3	135	0	386
Mississippi River (Granite City, IL (L27))	258	3	135	0	396
Illinois River (La Grange)	137	0	110	0	247
Ohio River (Olmsted)	98	7	82	2	189
Arkansas River (L1)	0	18	18	0	36
Weekly total - 2026	356	29	235	2	621
Weekly total - 2025	402	25	231	12	670
2026 YTD	2,722	181	2,331	28	5,261
2025 YTD	3,666	227	2,814	64	6,770
2026 as % of 2025 YTD	74	80	83	43	78
Last 4 weeks as % of 2025	93	81	129	43	103
Total 2025	20,015	1,259	11,322	166	32,761

Note: "Other" refers to oats, barley, sorghum, and rye. Total may not add up due to rounding. YTD = year to date. Weekly total, YTD, and calendar year total include Mississippi River lock 27, Ohio River Olmsted lock, and Arkansas Lock 1. "L" (as in "L15") refers to a lock, locks, or lock and dam facility.
Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

CEREAL GRAINS

➤ Wheat Export Shipments and Sales

Wheat: Net sales of 397,200 metric tons (mts) for 2025/2026 were up noticeably from the previous week and up 46% from the prior 4-week average. Increases primarily for the Philippines (69,700 mts, including decreases of 3,000 mts), Taiwan (67,800 mts), Mexico (63,700 mts, including decreases of 25,600 mts), Haiti (43,000 mts), and Japan (35,600 mts), were offset by reductions for unknown destinations (39,000 mts) and Panama (600 mts). Net sales of 205,800 mts for 2026/2027 were primarily for South Korea (81,000 mts), the Philippines (56,000 mts), Taiwan (39,600 mts), unknown destinations (18,000 mts), and El Salvador (7,200 mts).

Exports of 383,500 mts were unchanged from the previous week, but down 10% from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Mexico (103,200 mts), China (68,400 mts), Taiwan (49,800 mts), the Philippines (37,700 mts), and Japan (36,000 mts).

Optional Origin Sales: For 2025/2026, the current outstanding balance of 30,000 mts, all Mexico.

Source: USDA FAS - <https://apps.fas.usda.gov/export-sales/highlite.htm>

➤ Rice Export Shipments and Sales

Rice: Net sales of 17,900 mts for 2025/2026 were down 84% from the previous week and 68% from the prior 4-week average. Increases primarily for Mexico (9,200 mts), Honduras (5,000 mts), Taiwan (1,600 mts), Canada (900 mts, including decreases of 100 mts), and El Salvador (400 mts), were offset by reductions for Haiti (100 mts).

Exports of 24,200 mts were down 57% from the previous week and 42% from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Haiti (7,100 mts), El Salvador (5,600 mts), Mexico (3,200 mts), Taiwan (2,000 mts), and Canada (1,900 mts).

Source: USDA FAS - <https://apps.fas.usda.gov/export-sales/highlite.htm>

Table 17. Top 10 importers of all U.S. wheat

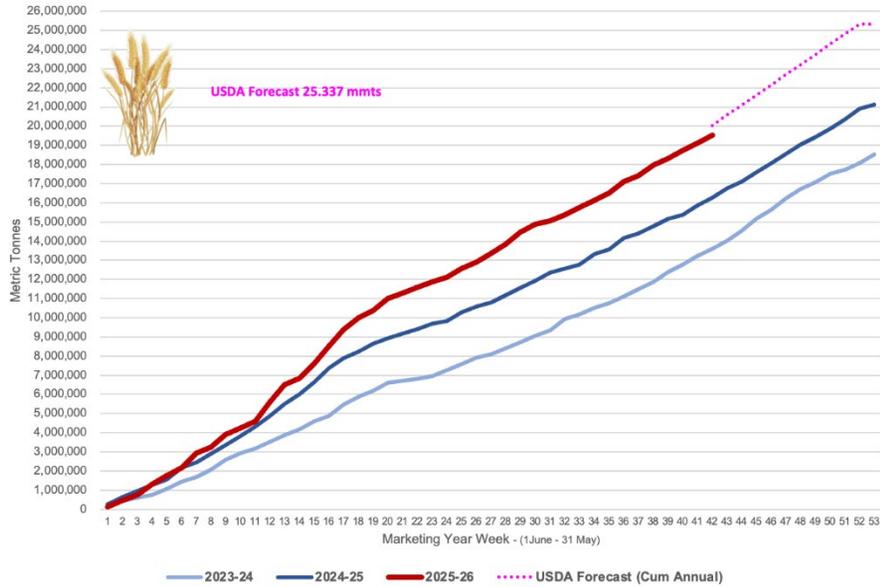
For the week ending 3/19/2026	Total commitments (1,000 mt)		% change current MY from last MY	Exports 3-year average 2022-24 (1,000 mt)
	YTD MY 2025/26	YTD MY 2024/25		
Mexico	4,509	3,924	15	3,358
Philippines	2,906	2,608	11	2,473
Japan	2,093	2,047	2	2,045
China	336	139	142	1,137
Korea	1,871	2,370	-21	1,674
Taiwan	975	959	2	935
Thailand	657	863	-24	667
Nigeria	1,412	636	122	629
Indonesia	1,071	754	42	518
Colombia	702	419	68	489
Top 10 importers	16,533	14,718	12	13,926
Total U.S. wheat export sales	24,087	20,900	15	19,135
% of YTD current month's export projection	98%	93%	-	-
Change from prior week	397	100	-	-
Top 10 importers' share of U.S. wheat export sales	69%	70%	-	73%
USDA forecast, March 2026	24,494	22,480	9	-

Note: The top 10 importers are based on USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) marketing year ranking reports for marketing year (MY) 2024/25 (June 1 - May 31). "Total commitments" = cumulative exports (shipped) + outstanding sales (unshipped), from FAS weekly export sales report, or export sales query. Total commitments' change (net sales) from prior week could include revisions from previous week's outstanding sales or accumulated sales. In rightmost column, "Exports" = accumulated exports (as defined in FAS marketing year ranking reports). mt = metric ton; yr. = year; avg. = average; YTD = year to date; "-" = not applicable. Source: USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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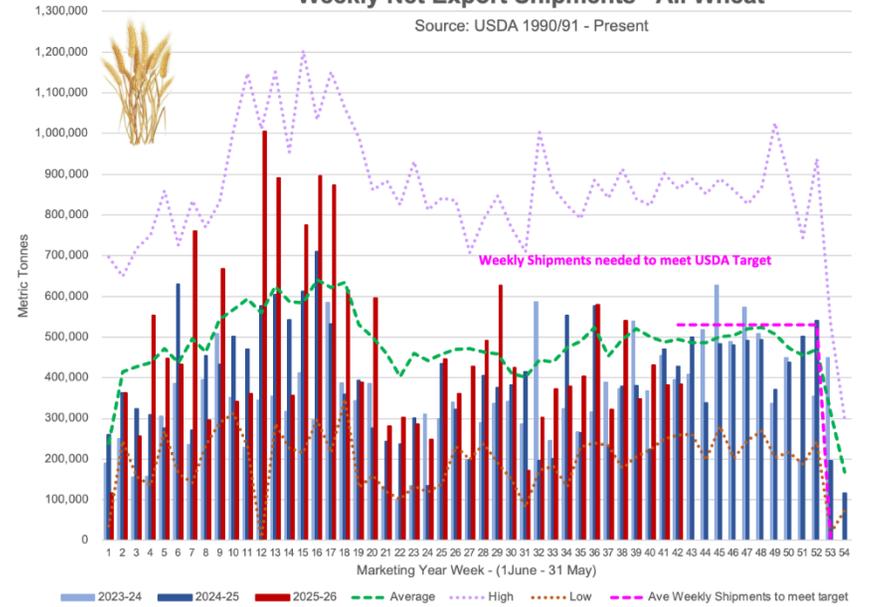
Cumulative Weekly Net Exports of U.S. All Wheat

Source: USDA 1990/91 - Present



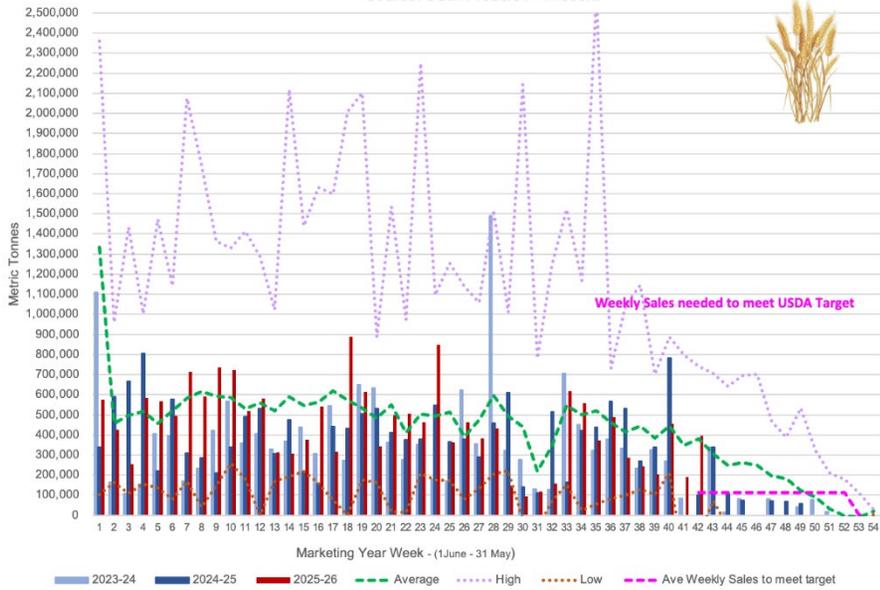
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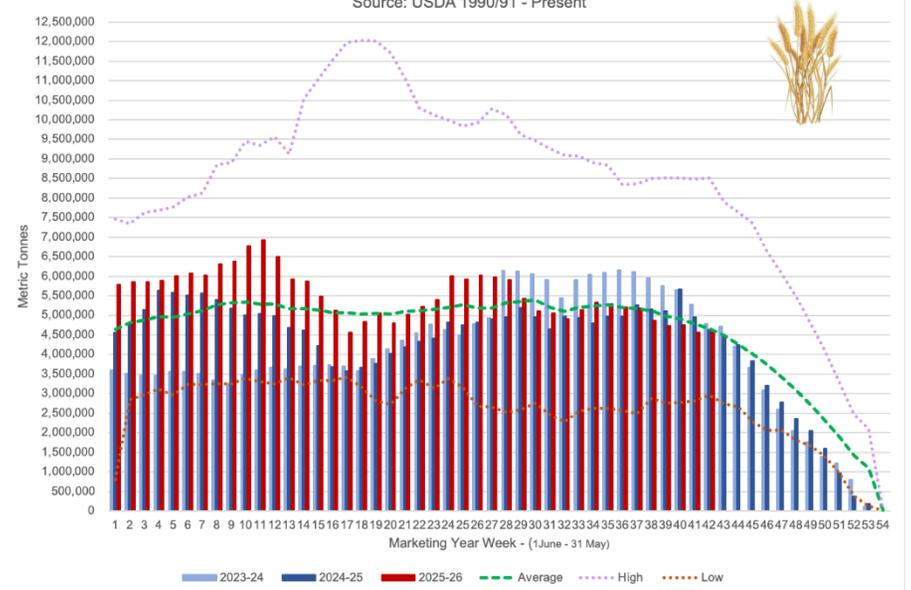
Weekly Net Export Sales - U.S. All Wheat

Source: USDA 1990/91 - Present



Outstanding Export Sales - U.S. All Wheat

Source: USDA 1990/91 - Present



COARSE GRAINS

Corn: Net sales of 1,217,800 mts for 2025/2026 were up 4% from the previous week, but down 10% from the prior 4-week average. Increases were primarily for Mexico (428,600 mts, including 55,000 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 14,900 mts), Colombia (319,400 mts, including 92,300 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 22,200 mts), the Dominican Republic (97,200 mts, including 32,000 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 31,800 mts), Vietnam (71,900 mts), and Spain (61,100 mts, including 61,200 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 700 mts). Total net sales of 135,000 mts for 2026/2027 were for Japan.

Exports of 1,678,200 mts were down 4% from the previous week and 5% from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Mexico (397,600 mts), Japan (301,800 mts), Colombia (292,900 mts), Spain (131,100 mts), and the Dominican Republic (124,800 mts).

Barley: No net sales for 2025/2026 were reported for the week.

Exports of 700 mts were primarily to Canada (600 mts).

Sorghum: Net sales of 3,900 mts for 2025/2026 were down 69% from the previous week and 89% from the prior 4-week average. Increases reported for China (121,900 mts, including 126,000 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 9,100 mts), Mexico (6,600 mts), and Japan (1,400 mts), were offset by reductions for unknown destinations (126,000 mts).

Exports of 191,900 mts were down 4% from the previous week and 11% from the prior 4-week average. The destination was primarily to China (185,400 mts).

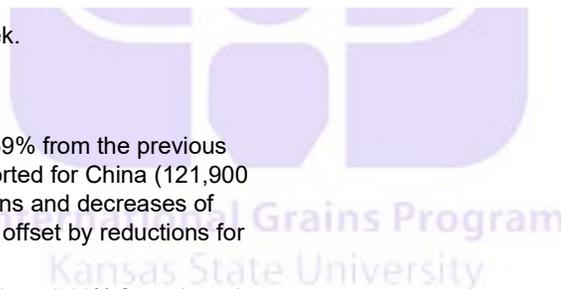
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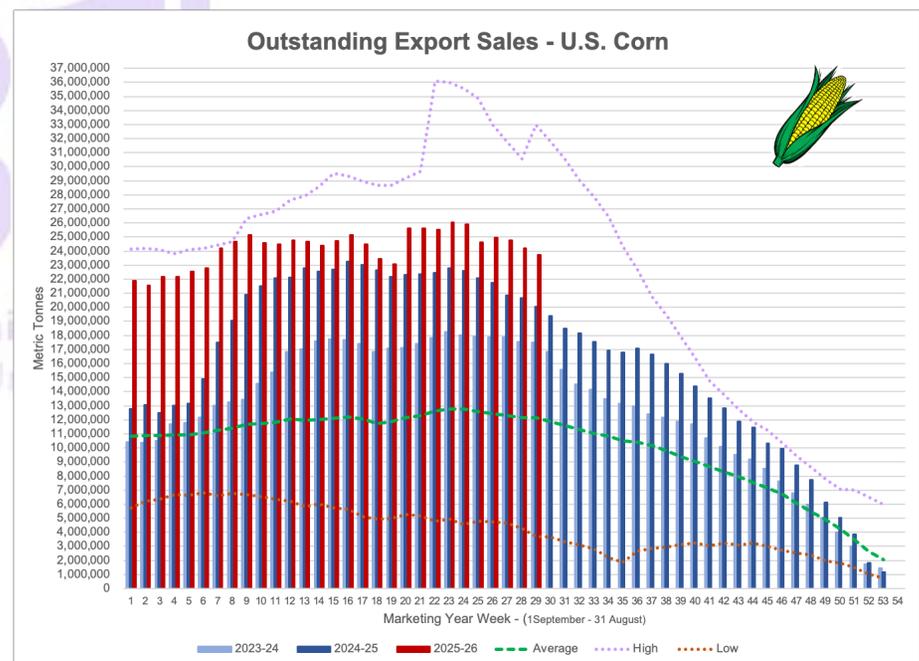
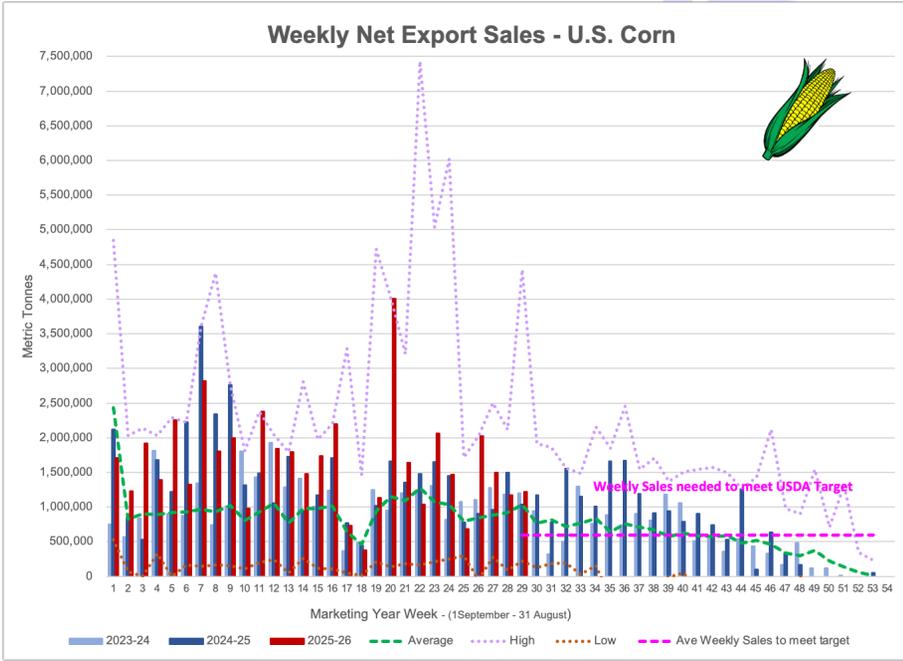
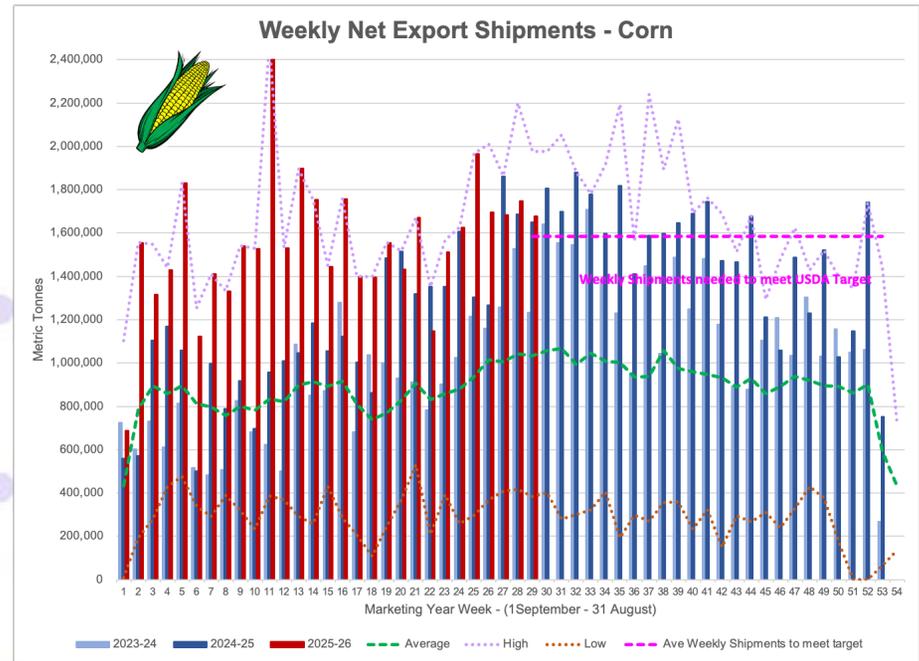
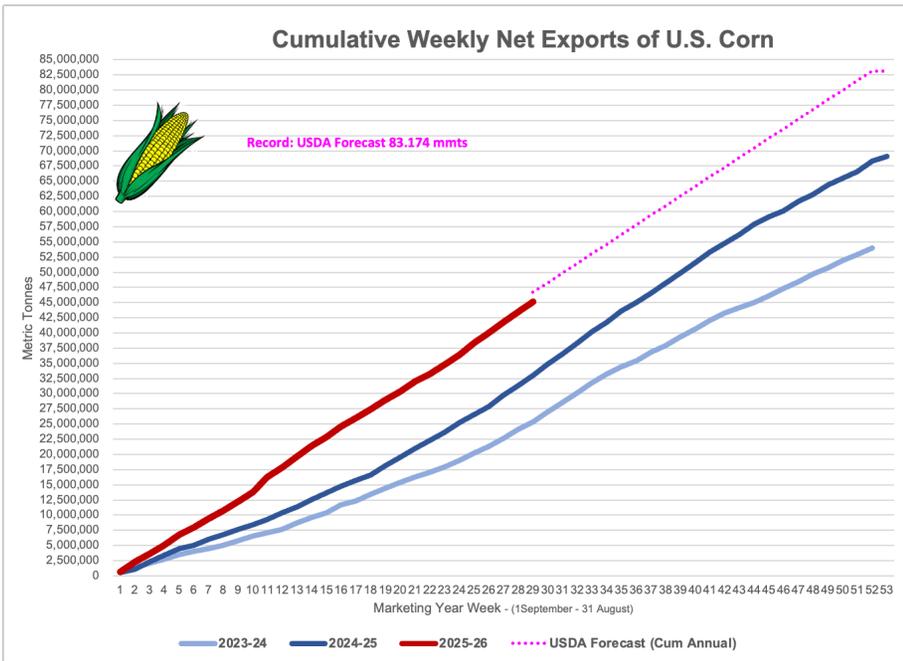
Table 15. Top 5 importers of U.S. corn

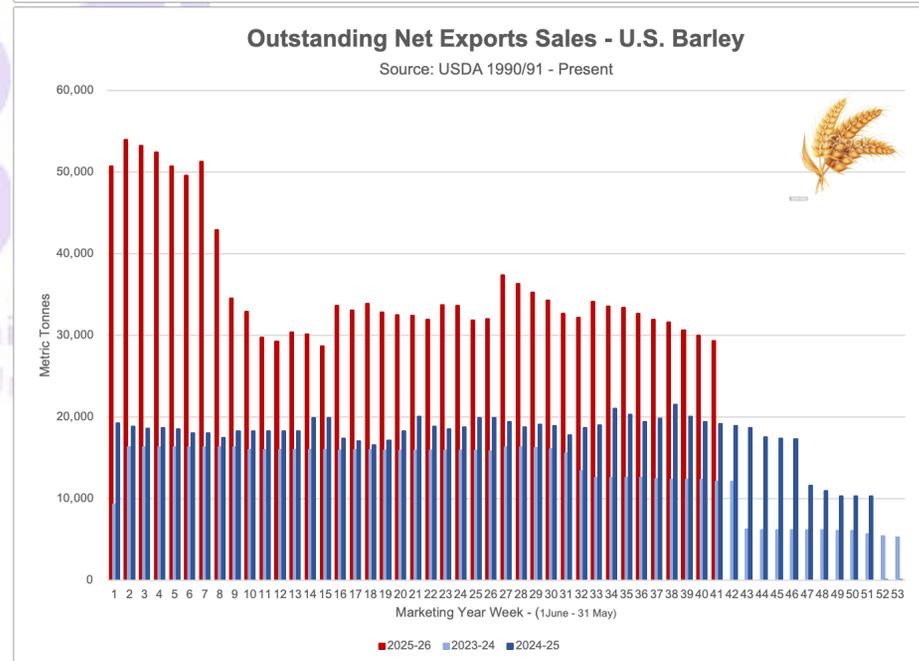
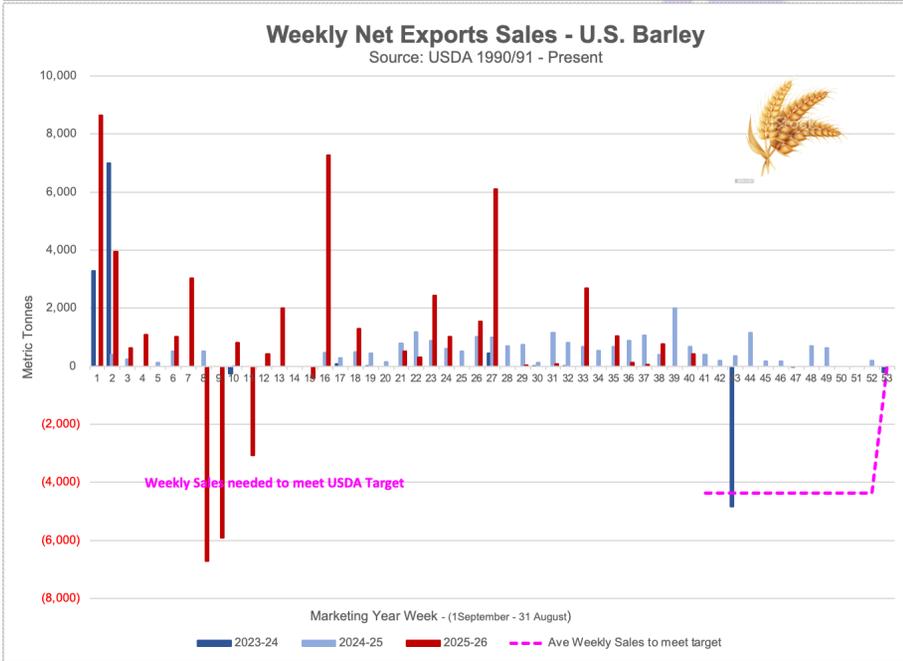
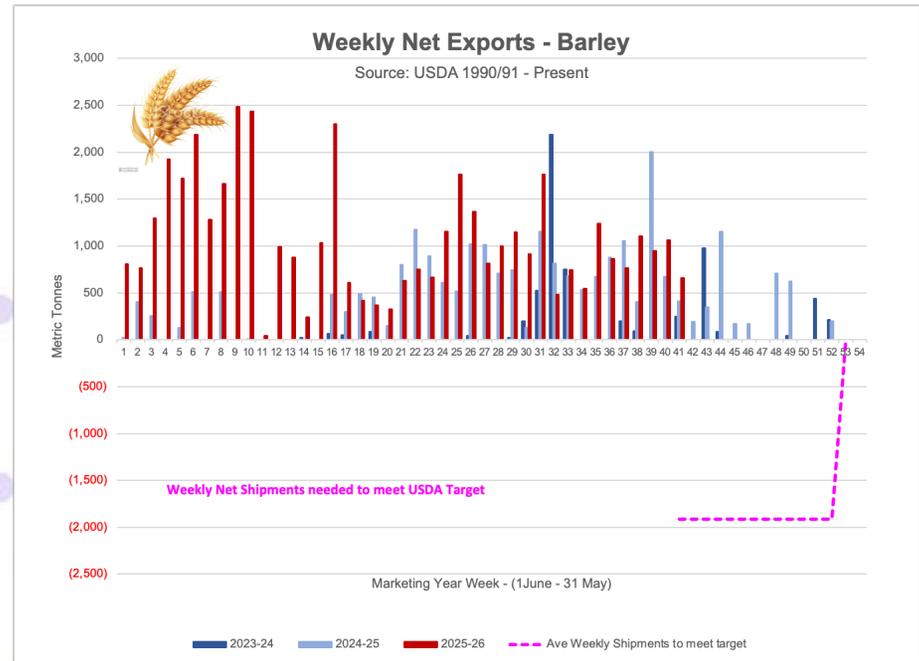
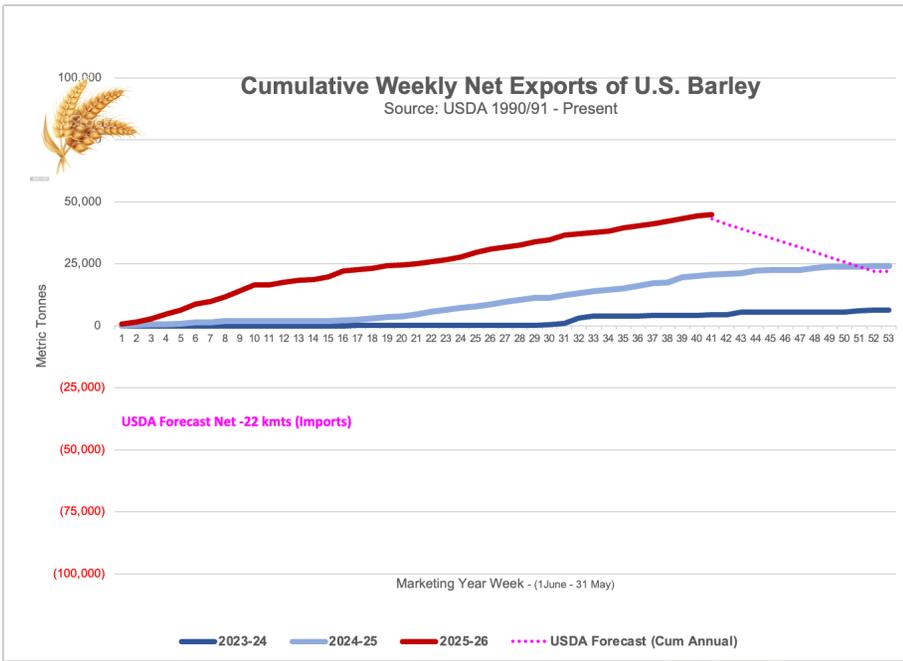
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	YTD MY 2025/26	YTD MY 2024/25		
Mexico	20,833	18,905	10	19,839
Japan	11,306	8,850	28	10,478
Colombia	5,669	5,385	5	5,493
China	0	33	-100	3,461
Korea	6,731	3,499	92	3,127
Top 5 importers	37,807	33,172	14	39,272
Total U.S. corn export sales	68,875	53,061	30	54,276
% of YTD current month's export projection	82%	73%	-	-
Change from prior week	1,218	1,040	-	-
Top 5 importers' share of U.S. corn export sales	55%	63%	-	72%
USDA forecast March 2026	83,824	72,597	15	-
Corn use for ethanol USDA forecast, March 2026	142,240	138,075	3	-

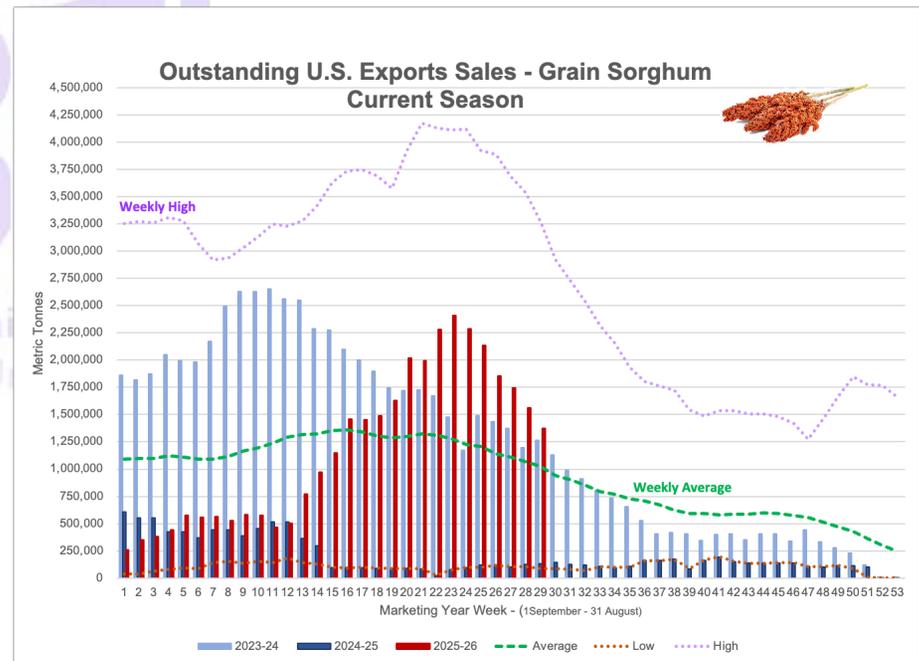
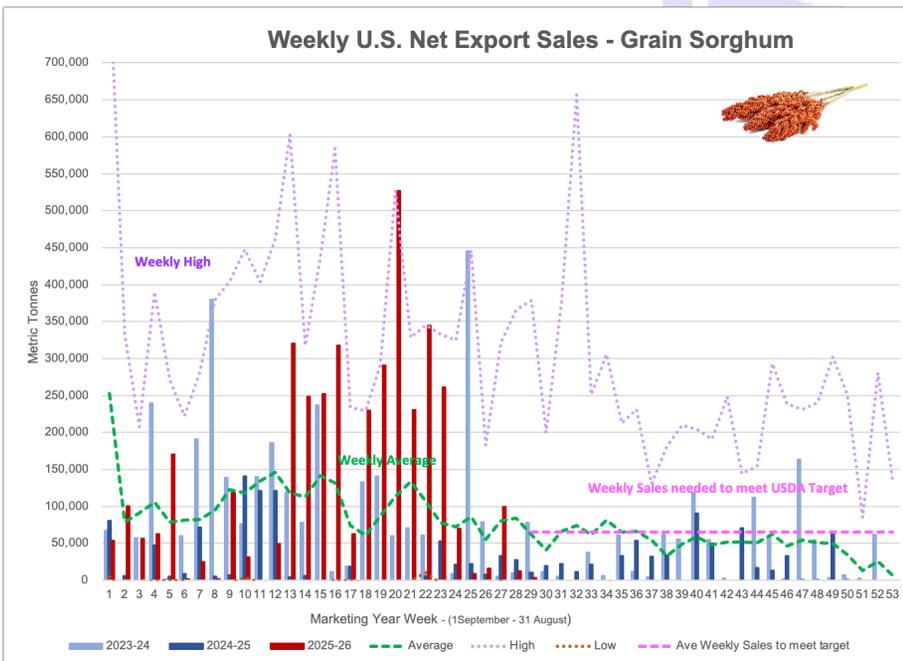
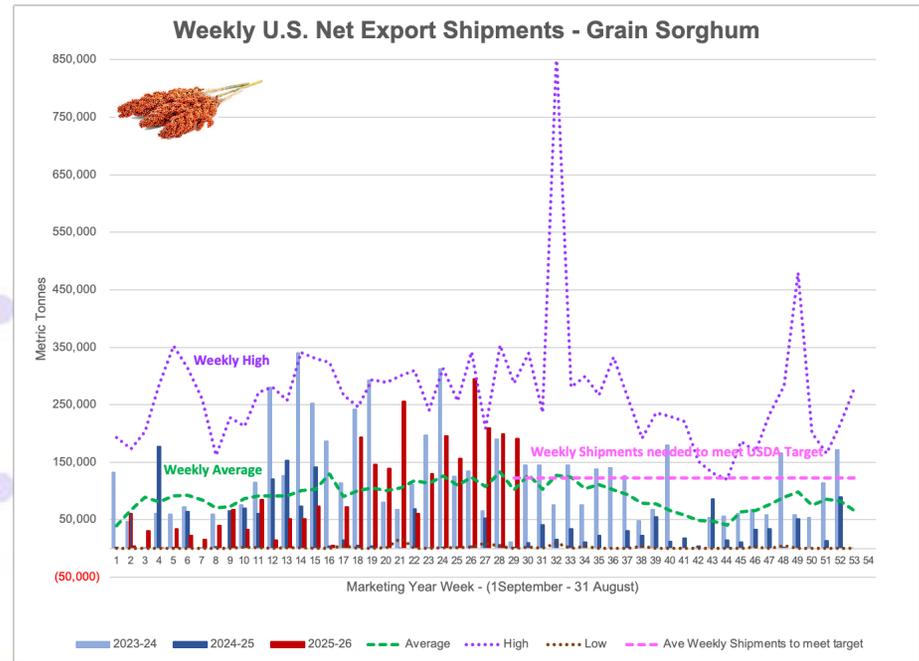
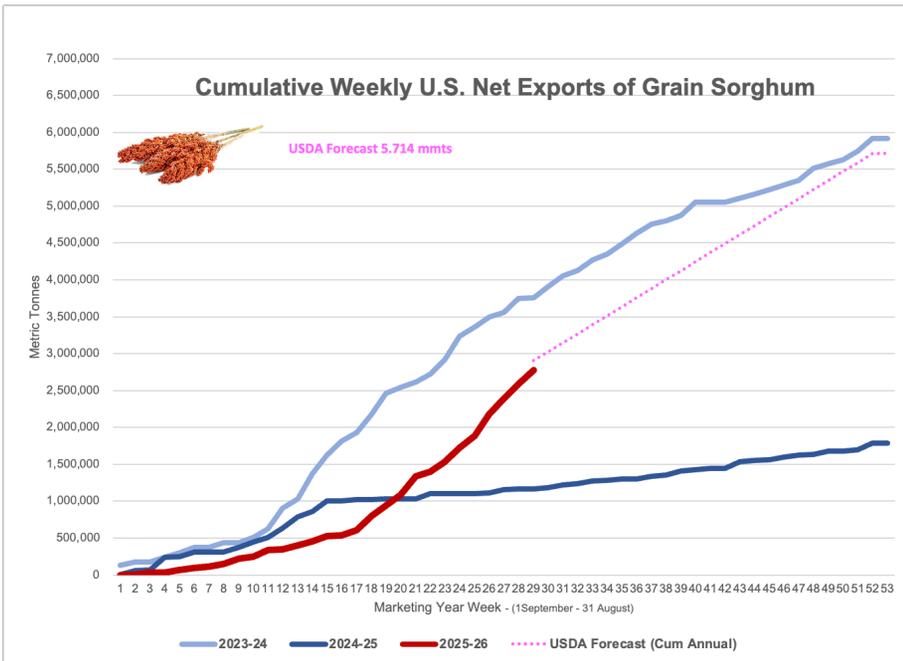
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Source: USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service.









OILSEED COMPLEX

➤ Soybean Export Shipments and Sales

Soybeans: Net sales of 668,900 mts for 2025/2026 were up noticeably from the previous week and up 89% from the prior 4-week average. Increases primarily for China (263,000 mts, including 260,000 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 4,000 mts), Germany (201,500 mts), Mexico (164,100 mts, including decreases of 3,100 mts), Japan (111,600 mts, including 78,500 mts switched from unknown destinations and decreases of 2,200 mts), and Taiwan (30,000 mts, including decreases of 600 mts), were offset by reductions for unknown destinations (205,500 mts) and Venezuela (1,000 mts). Net sales of 27,000 mts for 2026/2027 were reported for unknown destinations (25,000 mts) and Taiwan (2,000 mts).

Exports of 1,344,200 mts were up 48% from the previous week and 45% from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to China (665,000 mts), Germany (201,500 mts), Egypt (184,000 mts), Mexico (75,300 mts), and Japan (63,100 mts).

Exports for Own Account: For 2025/2026, the current exports for own account outstanding balance of 1,800 mts, all Taiwan.

Export Adjustments: Accumulated exports of soybeans to the Netherlands were adjusted down 68,528 mts for week ending January 29 and 132,973 mts for week ending February 26. The correct destination for these shipments is Germany.

Soybean Meal Export Shipments and Sales

Soybean Cake and Meal: Net sales of 507,600 mts for 2025/2026 were up noticeably from the previous week and from the prior 4-week average. Increases primarily for Colombia (124,400 mts, including decreases of 7,800 mts), Poland (49,600 mts), the Philippines (39,700 mts), Guatemala (37,700 mts, including decreases of 100 mts), and the Dominican Republic (29,000 mts), were offset by reductions for Belgium (500 mts). Net sales of 121,600 mts for 2026/2027 were reported for unknown destinations (120,000 mts) and Mexico (1,600 mts).

Exports of 379,500 mts were down 5% from the previous week, but up 2% from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Colombia (62,200 mts), the Philippines (55,300 mts), Mexico (51,800 mts), Morocco (49,600 mts), and Japan (48,900 mts).

Optional Origin Sales: For 2025/2026, the current outstanding balance of 23,800 mts, all Ecuador.

Table 16. Top 5 importers of U.S. soybeans

For the week ending 3/19/2026	Total commitments (1,000 mt)		% change current MY from last MY	Exports 3-year average 2022-24 (1,000 mt)
	YTD MY 2025/26	YTD MY 2024/25		
China	11,243	21,837	-49	26,078
Mexico	4,504	4,128	9	4,762
Japan	1,681	1,611	4	2,107
Egypt	4,172	2,541	64	2,098
Indonesia	1,739	1,311	33	1,997
Top 5 importers	23,340	31,427	-26	37,042
Total U.S. soybean export sales	37,257	45,571	-18	48,941
% of YTD current month's export projection	87%	89%	-	-
Change from prior week	669	338	-	-
Top 5 importers' share of U.S. soybean export sales	63%	69%	-	76%
USDA forecast, March 2026	42,864	51,220	-16	-

Note: The top 5 importers are based on USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) marketing year ranking reports for marketing year (MY) 2024/25 (September 1 - August 31). "Total commitments" = cumulative exports (shipped) + outstanding sales (unshipped), from FAS weekly export sales report, or export sales query. Total commitments' change (net sales) from prior week could include revisions from previous week's outstanding sales or accumulated sales. In rightmost column, "Exports" = accumulated exports (as defined in FAS marketing year ranking reports). mt = metric ton; yr. = year; avg. = average; YTD = year to date; "-" = not applicable. Source: USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service.

➤ Soybean Oil Export Shipments and Sales

Soybean Oil: Net sales of 800 mts for 2025/2026 were down 86% from the previous week and 74% from the prior 4-week average. Increases were reported for Canada (600 mts) and Mexico (100 mts). Exports of 27,100 mts--a marketing-year high--were up noticeably from the previous week and up 67% from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Venezuela (8,500 mts), Colombia (7,700 mts), the Dominican Republic (4,800 mts), Jamaica (2,500 mts), and Guatemala (2,000 mts).

Source: USDA FAS - <https://apps.fas.usda.gov/export-sales/highlite.htm>

