



## WGIN Stakeholder Meeting – November 17th

The wheat market – an international perspective

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## Agenda



Overview

2010/11 wheat outlook

2011/12 and beyond



#### The new era for grain markets continues

- volatility remains at the heart

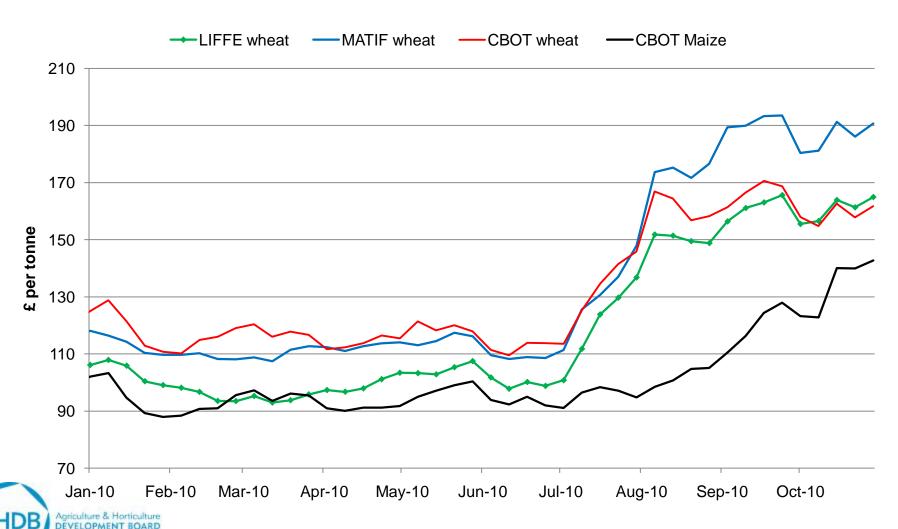


- **2007/08** the beginning this is what markets can do <u>Movement: £75/t</u>
- **2008/09** the supply response given a price, this is what agriculture can do

  <u>Movement: £64/t</u>
- **2009/10** the power struggle dealing with another surplus <u>Movement: £22/t</u>
- **2010/11** the unexpected mother nature returns with politics <u>Movement: £70/t and counting!</u>

# Global grain pricing – wheat markets interact with other grains, mainly maize



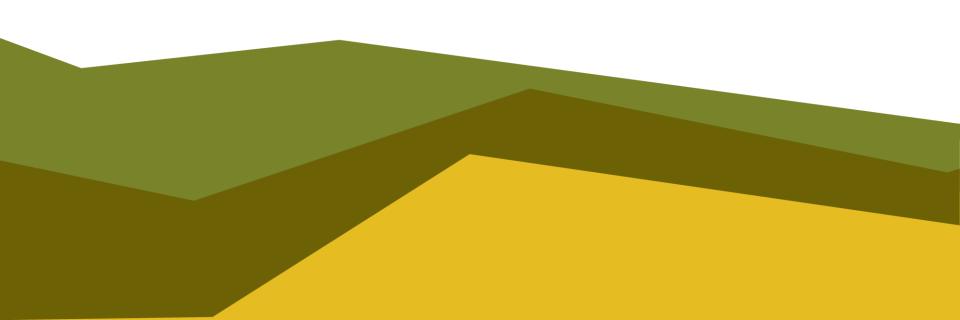


Source: AHDB



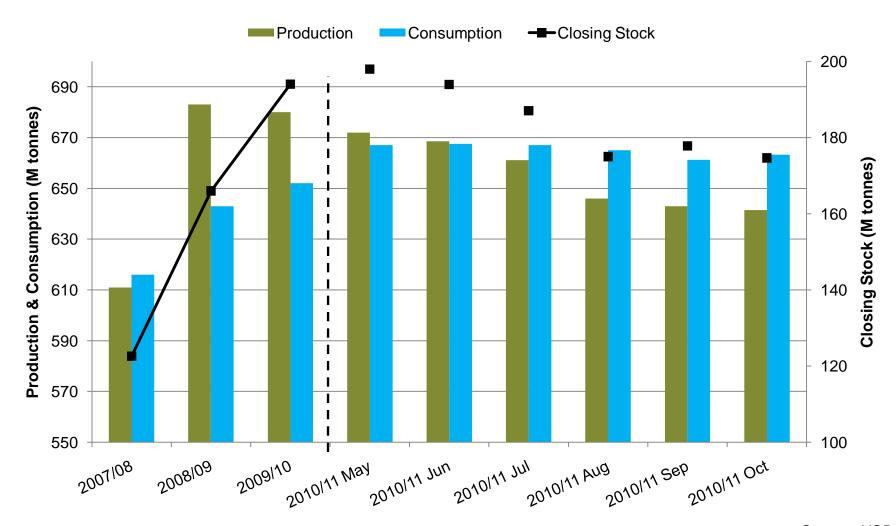


## 2010/11 Outlook



# World wheat supply and demand - early indications suggested another surplus in '10/11

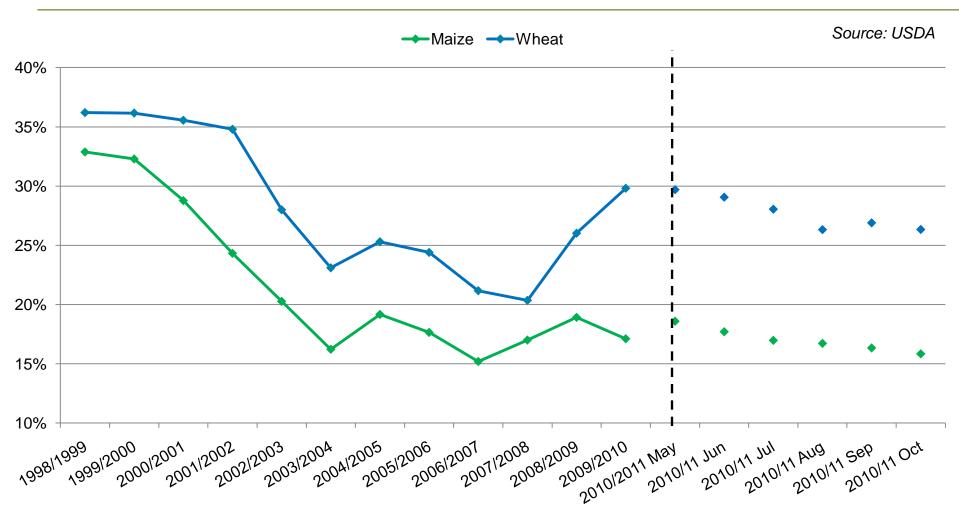




#### Global stocks-to-use ratios pulled lower

- maize getting tight, wheat less comfortable





# Global Wheat Producers \_

60.31 61.64 113.84 100.62 80.68

80.41

36.65

22.87

28%

87.17

**15.85** 

12.94

**15%** 

32.28

25.92

80%

23.98 32.66

**Production** 

**Exports** 

Stocks to use

Consumption 30.94

Ending Stocks 26.49

86%



138.20 137.51 115.00 114.50

125.50 124.50 105.00 105.80

0.89

56.19

**54%** 

2.00

63.39

**60%** 

24.00

10.08

8%



different stocks to use ratios  AHDB Agriculture & Horticulture DEVELOPMENT BOARD Source: USDA										
	US		FSU		India		EU27		China	
	'09/10	'10/11	'09/10	'10/11	'09/10	'10/11	'09/10	'10/11	'09/10	'10/11
Opening Stock	17.87	26.49	20.80	22.87	13.43	16.10	18.38	15.07	45.69	56.19
Imports	3.23	2.72	5.30	6.23	0.30	0.30	5.50	6.00	1.39	0.50

78.21

0.10

16.10

**21%** 

80.71

82.44

0.2

14.48

18%

21.50

15.07

**12%** 

# Black Sea political decisions – *UK LIFFE price timeline*



- 24/06: Market fell to low of £97.50/t on stronger sterling
- 01/07: Market rises to £103/t on USDA stocks and plantings report
- 08/07: Prices increase to £119/t on hot, dry European crop reports
- 15/07: Further rises to £131/t on continued drought & BS concerns
- 22/07: Ukraine lowers export forecast market at £133/t
- 28/07: First Russia export rumours surface prices move to £139/t
- 05/08: Prices surge to £158/t as Russian ban confirmed
- 12/08: USDA report puts Russia crop at 45Mt: LIFFE at £153/t
- 18/08: Calm after storm market falls to £146.50/t
- 03/09: Further rise on reports ban will last until mid-2011 £160/t
- 09/11: Up on further maize tightness (USDA) £173/t

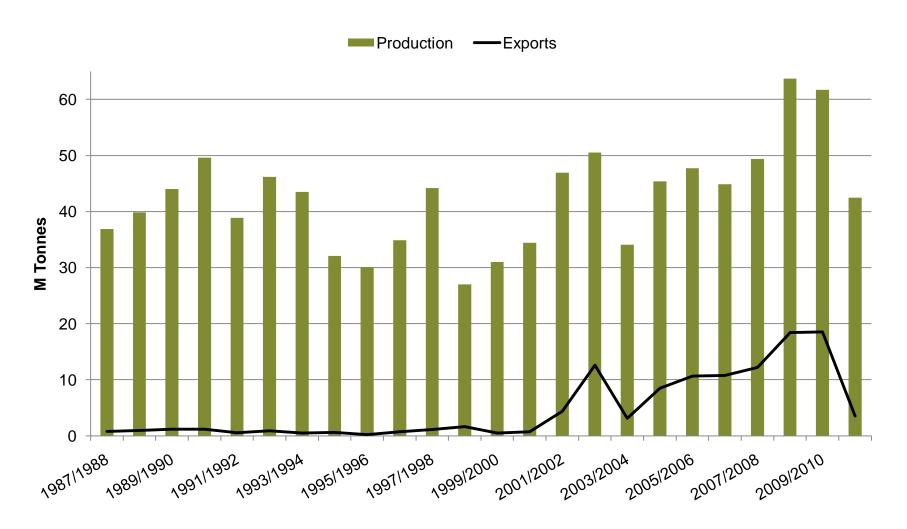
#### **Conclusions**

- Initial uncertainty not due to Black Sea concerns, more from EU and US issues
- 2. Political decisions added to an already uncertain marketplace

#### Russian wheat

- has the world become over-reliant?





Source: IGC / USDA / AHDB

## US wheat supply & demand - note the difference between 2007/08 and 2010/11



				201	0/11
	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	Jul	Oct
Opening Stocks	12.4	8.3	17.9	26.5	26.5
Production	55.8	68	60.4	60.3	60.5
Total Availability	71.3	79.8	81.5	89.5	89.7
Domestic Use	28.6	34.3	30.9	32.6	32.5
Exports	34.4	27.6	24	27.2	34
Ending Stock	8.3	17.9	26.5	29.7	23.2
S-T-U	13.2%	28.9%	48.3%	49.7%	34.9%

## UK wheat supply and demand

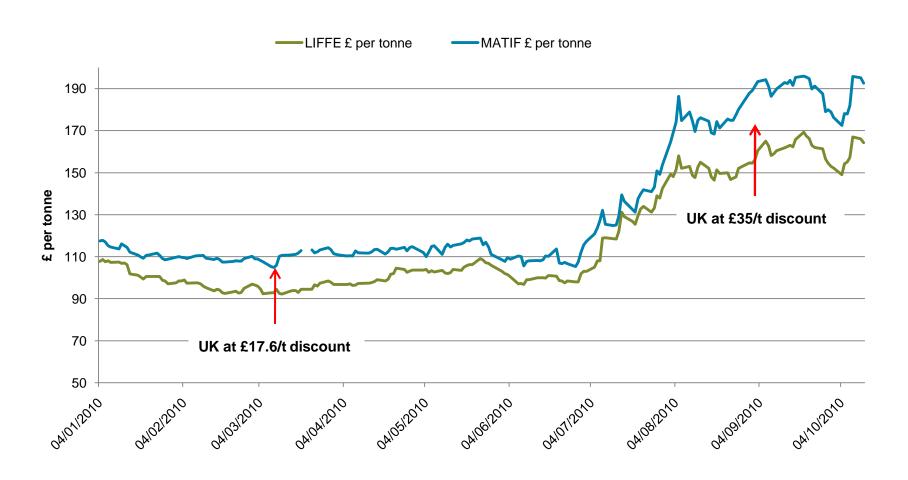


'000 tonnes	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Opening Stocks	1,720	2,756	1,859
Production	17,227	14,084	14,833
Imports	1,305	1,241	1,085
Availability	20,252	18,081	17,777
Domestic Demand H&I Feed	13,973 6,836 6,729	13,795 <i>6,855</i> <i>6,580</i>	14,464 7,580 6,531
Exports	3,523	2,427	1,302
Closing Stocks	2,756	1,859	2,000

Source: DEFRA / AHDB

# UK – French wheat price relationship "Normally" UK at £10-£15/t discount

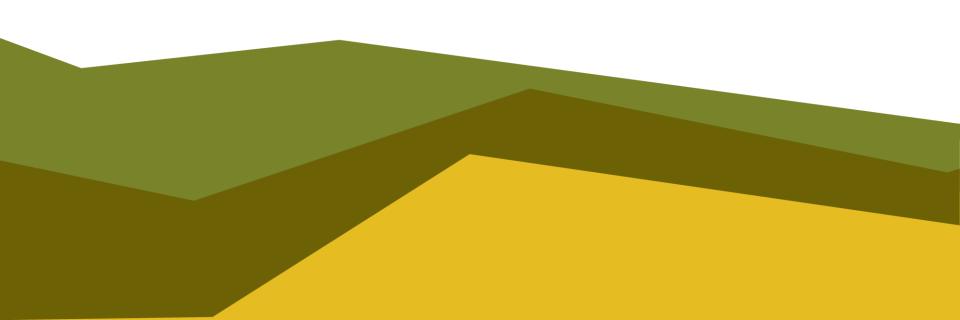








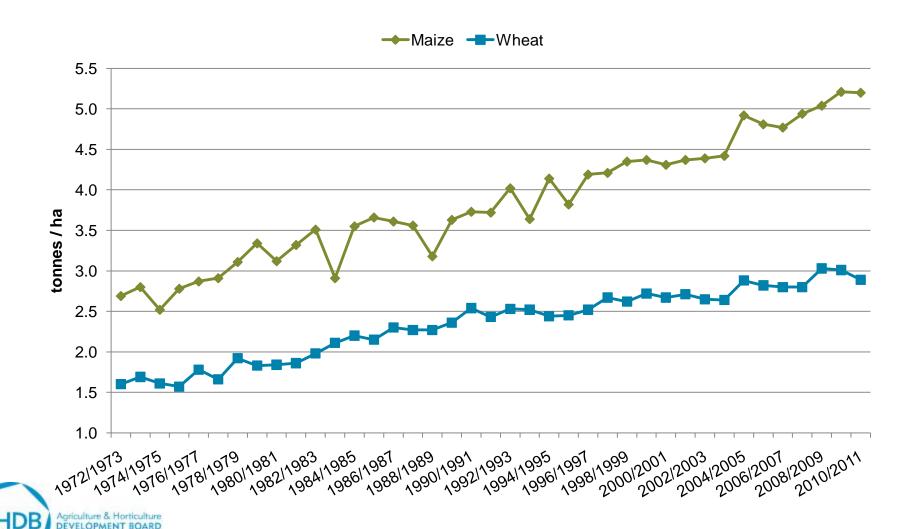
## Further ahead – 2011 and beyond



#### World wheat and maize yields

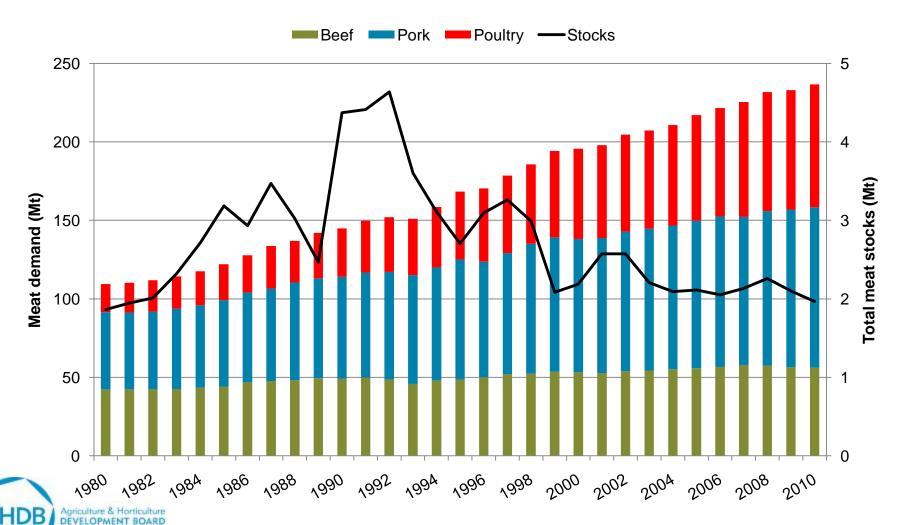
- the widening spread: GM?





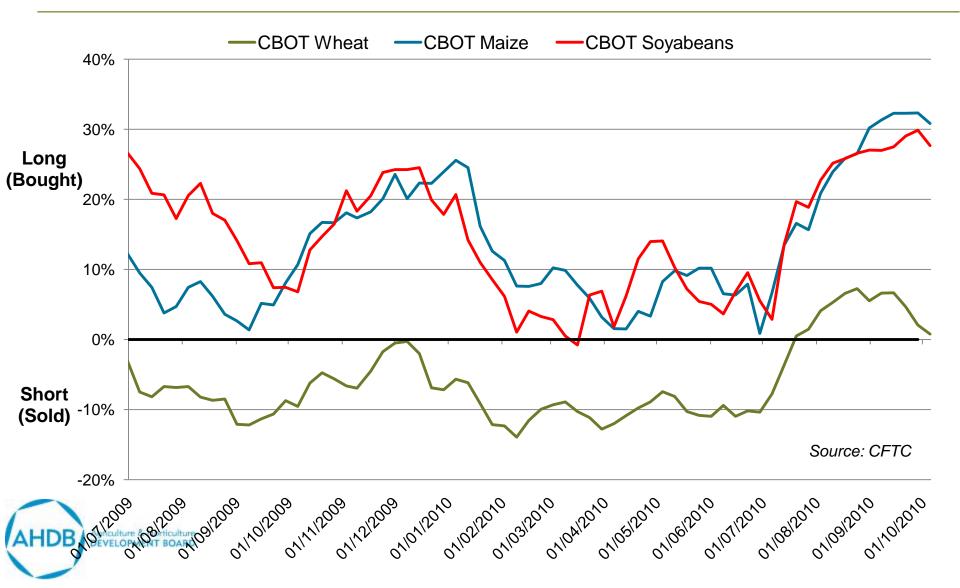
#### Global meat - record demand for grain-fed meat but stocks at almost 30 year low





# **Fund activity** – lots of attention recently, will they continue to influence?





## Summary – some risk factors to watch for



#### **Wheat**

- Global stocks-to-use maize vulnerable, wheat comfortable
- Russian wheat it will be back!!! But when...
- UK/French price relationship can discount last?
- Global grain demand continuing increasing demand for grain globally adds pressure upon the supply side
- Fund Activity when will they sell to realise profits?

