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The Market Movers for Grain – domestically & internationally

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13 slides in 25 minutes, excluding this one

Looking backwards

- International stocks to use and prices for wheat, corn, soybean, barley and canola
- Local grain production and prices
- Currency, our savior

Looking forwards

- Domestic movements of grain
- State by state deficits and surpluses
- Surplus barley China, China, China
- Surplus wheat Where did all of our inelastic demand go?
- **Nuffield plug –** Industry good functions necessary for an efficient and competitive Australian grain industry





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US\$200 / 0.68 = A\$294 US\$200 / 1.10 = A\$182



Feeding the Darling Downs



Kwinana Port

Shipped to Qld, discharge, trucked to Darling Downs feedlots *Ag Scientia*

Port Lincoln

Same as Kwinana but for \$95/t

Upcountry SA

Train and truck

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Southern NSW

Trucked 1,100km to the Downs for \$90/t

Victoria Mallee

Trucked 1,400 km to the Downs for \$120/t

Who needs it and whose got it? State deficits and surpluses



9 MMT exportable surplus

5 MMT exportable surplus



China, China, China. Finding a home for the surplus barley.

Australia's barley exports (KMT)





Where did all of our inelastic demand go? Finding a home for the surplus wheat.

Indonesia wheat imports (Jul/Jun MY)





2017 Fellowship: Industry good functions necessary for an efficient and competitive Australian grain industry

- Marketing conditions for Australian grain remain positive as indicated by increasing premiums (basis) received for Australian grain over international prices and a large number of active buyers locally.
- The industry is facing increased competition from the rise of lower cost producers such as the Black Sea region, which may start to erode demand and premiums for Australian grain.
- Australian growers' ability to produce grain efficiently and sustainably is being challenged by political and social change. This includes the potential ban or restriction of important genetics, chemistry and technology.
- Growers and grower representative groups need to improve their engagement with the community, be better researched and informed, and present a united front with a consistent message.
- The industry would benefit from continued investment in market access and market support activities, and from increased availability of supply and demand information.
- Industry good functions would be delivered more efficiently and effectively if the providers specialised on certain functions and didn't duplicate roles. This will require more coordination and potentially some consolidation.