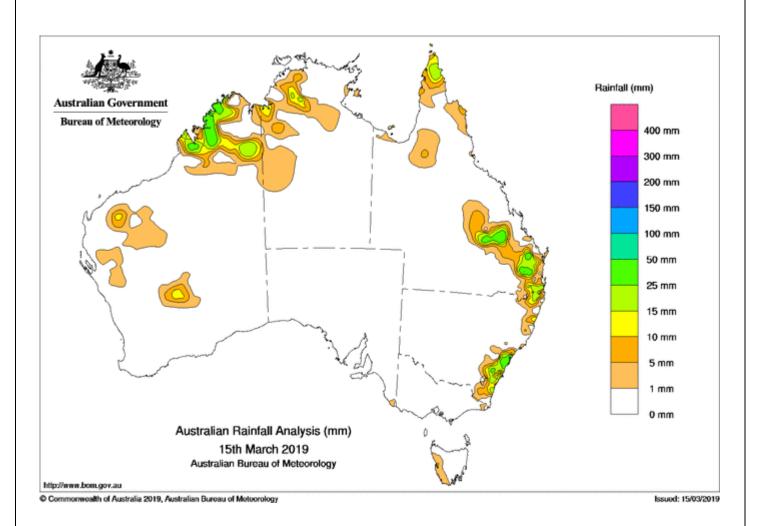
	This Report	Last Report	Change
AUD/USD (Spot)	\$0.7075	\$0.7024	\$0.0051
CBOT Wht USC/Bu (Spot)	454	431.5	22.50
CBOT Corn USC/Bu (Spot)	371	356	15.00
ASX Wht AUD/MT (Jan 20)	\$336.00	\$335.00	\$1.00
ASX Bar AUD/MT (Jan 20)	\$285.00	\$253.00	\$32.00



# **Weather & Crop Conditions**

Cropping regions in Queensland and Northern New South Wales are expecting their first substantial rain event for this year with rainfall forecast right across weekend. On the GFS model there is 60 millimetres forecast for the Darling Downs on Sunday while the Euro model has rainfall placed further south with between 20-50 millimetres expected to fall just south of the Queensland border. Considering the extreme dry experienced throughout the summer months we will need to see a few more events like this eventuate before negative sentiment around the new crop eases.

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#### Wheat - Global

Wheat markets have stabilised this week with US futures starting to find support over the last couple of sessions. Sentiment is still weak, but cash values are stable to slightly firmer as the lower flat price values start to bring in some more demand. New crop Northern Hemisphere conditions remain relatively positive although there is still plenty of weather risk to get through over the next 2 months. Conditions in Australia remain dry with very limited subsoil moisture and above average temps adding to concerns.

### Coarse Grain - Global

Another week has come and gone with no SAGO feed barley tender and bullish news remains thin for global old crop barley markets. New crop northern hemisphere feed barley values are unchanged for the week however dry conditions for Eastern Europe have been getting some airtime. There is nothing new to report on the Chinese anti-dumping investigations into Australian barley and it remains anyone's guess as to the outcome of this dispute. The global corn balance sheet remains heavy with no flags for Argentine and Brazilian crops and a significant exportable surplus remaining in both the US and Ukraine. Much like the barley, there is little supportive news to feed the corn bulls and as such managed money is piled in on the short side.

## Wheat - Australia

Old crop values across Australia's east coast have remained stable through the week with consumers continuing to find their next tranche of cover at current price levels. With next to no positive weather signs seen so far for the new season many are looking to obtain drought hedges with increased consumer interest for new crop. There's still plenty of time for conditions to turn around however considering what eventuated last year and the state of current moisture profiles growers have remained hesitant sellers.

#### Coarse Grains - Australia

Australian sorghum values remained relatively unchanged over the week with prices linked tightly to wheat values. Harvest is now approximately 90% complete across New South Wales and Southern Queensland. News of US sorghum sales into China could be an indication that the Chinese tariffs may be nearing removal which would be bearish for Aussie Sorghum. East coast barley values firmed up slightly last week and have since stabilised in line with old crop wheat values.

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