

# **FLOUR FACTS**

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## Weekly Market Highlights

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- Minneapolis hard red spring wheat futures climbed 3% this week; Kansas City hard red winter wheat futures are lower despite Tuesday's impressively higher close.
- Spring wheat futures prices have now gained about 9% since their late August lows; Kansas City gains are closer to 4%.
- Some market participants expect wheat prices to fall back, but higher energy prices and other good if not stellar news seem to be supportive of commodities and other markets.
- Basis premium prices are firm to higher as mills continue to try to keep pipelines filled while farmers and elevators attention was turned away from marketing wheat toward a massive row crop harvest.
- Short term expectations call for steady support near current levels; long term world markets will be reminded of their massive wheat reserves and lack of inputs to support high wheat prices.

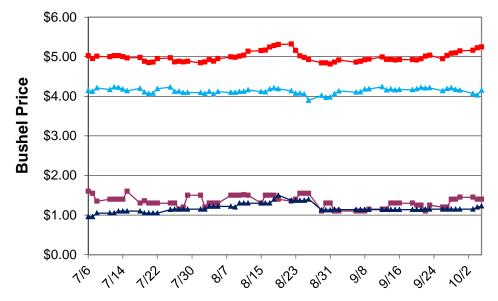
#### **Facts on Flour**

#### **Hard White Wheat**

Hard White Wheat is the newest class of wheat to be grown in the United States. Closely related to red wheat (except for color genes), this wheat has a milder, sweeter flavored bran, equal fiber and similar milling and baking properties. Hard White Wheat is mainly used in yeast breads, hard rolls, bulgur, tortillas and Oriental noodles.



### **Futures & Basis Markets**



→ KC Future

Spring 15% Basis (No.1 Northern Spring)

--- Mpls Future

→ Winter 13% Basis (No.1 hard winter)

Flour pricing consists of a combination of Wheat futures prices and Basis Premium prices per bushel. Information contained on this chart closely resembles Gold Medal All Trumps, Mpls. Future + 15% Basis, and Harvest King, KC Future + 13% Basis. This chart does not reflect changes in millfeed values.

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