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Estimated Implied Volatility for Revenue Assurance

Note: The estimated implied volatility listed below, is based on current option premiums. The "official" implied volatility used to calculate Revenue Assurance premiums will not be released by RMA until after September 15, 2005. The estimated implied volatility may be useful for farmers and insurance agents in calculating estimated RA premiums. A special thanks to RMA for their help validating the KSU model used to estimate RA volatility.

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	CBOT	KCBOT	Portland
	Wheat	Wheat	Wheat
2000's CRC High Price Factor...	0.2850	0.3040	0.4540
2000's CRC Low Price Factor....	0.3120	0.3140	0.4430
2001's CRC High Price Factor...	0.2800	0.2980	0.4070
2001's CRC Low Price Factor....	0.3150	0.3110	0.4490
2002's CRC High Price Factor...	0.2750	0.2920	0.4000
2002's CRC Low Price Factor....	0.3100	0.3060	0.4400
2003's CRC High Price Factor...	0.2750	0.2920	0.4000
2003's CRC Low Price Factor....	0.3100	0.3060	0.4400
2004's CRC High/Low Price Factor.....	0.3100	0.3100	0.3500
2005's CRC High/Low Price Factor.....	0.3730	0.3770	0.4400
2001's RA Volatility..	0.20	0.20	N/A
2002's RA Volatility..	0.18	0.18	N/A
2003's RA Volatility..	0.22	0.22	N/A
2004's RA Volatility..	0.19	0.19	N/A
2005's RA Volatility..	0.21	0.19	N/A

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Estimated CRC High/Low Factors ¹				?	?	?
Est. 5 Day Current Moving Average Volatility ²				18.8	18.4	
	CBOT	KCBOT		CBOT	KCBOT	
	WHEAT			WHEAT		
08/17/05	19.2260	19.6118	08/31/05	17.9410	18.1743	
08/18/05	19.3053	19.6125	09/01/05	19.2984	18.6355	
08/19/05	19.5581	19.5627	09/02/05	19.0066	18.5504	
08/22/05	19.4702	19.4929	09/06/05	18.9288	18.2004	
08/23/05	19.5749	19.4840	09/07/05	18.1515	18.3998	
08/24/05	18.7529	19.3795	09/08/05	19.2888	18.5983	
08/25/05	19.5913	19.3194	09/09/05	19.2808	18.5032	
08/26/05	19.3057	19.3962	09/12/05	18.9507	18.2739	
08/29/05	19.4880	19.2809	09/13/05	18.5315	18.2990	
08/30/05	18.3396	18.4385	09/14/05			

¹CRC High/Low Price Factors are subject to change without notice. H/L Factors are released after the RA premiums are set because CRC rates are set to duplicate RA premium rates.

²Only the volatility for the 5 trading days before September 15 count in the final RA volatility value.