

CHIDZIVA TOBACCO PROCESSORS (PRIVATE) LIMITED





Week 13 - Zimbabwean FCV market Report

SEASONAL AUCTION FIGURES UP TO 05/06/15 (DAY 64)

Seasonal	TSF	BTF	PTF	Total Auction 2015	Total Auction 2014	Percent Change %
Mass sold(kg)	19,532,339	12,338,232	8,744,749	40,615,320	43,670,028	-6.99%
Value(US\$)	49,677,154	29,726,860	21,248,863	100,652,878	121,042,807	-16.85%
Avg.price US\$/kg	2.54	2.41	2.43	2.48	2.77	-10.59%
Rejected %	12.88%	15.57%	18.99%	15.07	10.43	44.51%
Bales laid	307,029	208,898	144,820	660,747	704,798	-6.25%
Bales Sold	267,479	176,376	117,315	561,170	631,298	-11.11%
Rejected Bales	39,550	32,522	27,505	99,577	73,500	35.48%
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Avg.Bale Weight (kg)	73	70	75	72	69	4.63%

Auction Floor Quality, Styles and Offerings:

•At this stage of the marketing season the offerings on the auction floors are naturally dominated by leaf and cutters with the very seldom occurrence of lugs and priming's. As one would expect, the percentage of 3rd to 4th quality leaf deliveries is generally high, as farmers are nearing the end of their selling season.

•The overall average price continues to remain lower than last year, with lower to middle quality lugs fetching +/- 0.80c less than 2014 as well as the middle quality cutters being 0.50c - \$1.00 cheaper than the previous year. The top quality leaf is still firm and relative to 2014. These styles are fetching between \$4.00 and \$4.99.

•During week 13 we have also seen a decrease in the delivered volume, relating to 6,99 % less tobacco if compared to the same selling day last year. The average price remains lower with this year price sitting at \$2.48/kg. For the same period in 2014 the average was \$2.77/kg.

•Regarding the quality of the auction crop – we are experiencing a very similar crop in character to 2014, however in general, the Nicotine percentages are for the most part higher comparing grade for grade. Considering the average price being lower than 2014 and the chemistries higher, we believe there is some reasonable value tobacco on offer across the sales.



SEASONAL CONTRACT FIGURES PER COMPANY AS OF 05/06/15 (DAY 64)

COMPANY	Mass sold (kg's)	Value \$US	Ave Price \$US	Rejection %	Bales Laid	Bales Sold	Rejected Bales	Ave bale Weight (kg's)
мтс	20,504,525	58,251,504	2.84	3.67	313,121	301,619	11,502	68
TIAN ZE	17,819,489	68,491,848	3.84	3.74	170,726	164,335	6,391	108
NORTHERN	16,771,888	59,808,868	3.57	8.80	191,304	174,460	16,844	96
ZLT	13,971,510	43,000,086	3.08	6.59	171,638	160,323	11,315	87
CHIDZIVA	8,967,377	22,285,157	2.49	5.31	128,672	121,839	6,833	74
TRIBAC	7,776,645	23,329,324	3.00	3.81	95,515	91,880	3,635	85
BOOST AFRICA	7,729,567	20,253,028	2.62	2.84	105,859	102,852	3,007	75
CURVERRID	6,605,661	19,371,015	2.93	1.19	82,506	81522	984	81
GOLDEN LEAF *(ZLT)	3,091,675	9,103,130	2.94	0.00	35817	35817	0	86
TSL CLASSIC	1,940,865	5,623,803	2.90	8.37	20,178	18,489	1,689	105
SHASHA *(Tribac)	1,197,222	3,819,574	3.19	1.63	12846	12637	209	95
PREMIER *(Tian Ze)	676,913	1,703,489	2.52	6.95	9,431	8,776	655	77
MIDRIVER	504,312	1,443,420	2.86	4.34	5023	4805	218	105
VOEDSEL *(Tian Ze)	465,950	1,187,405	2.55	0.00	5,528	5,528	0	84
ILT	428,831	1,447,298	3.37	0.00	4679	4679	0	92
MAXLUCKY	326,450	933,126	2.86	10.69	4245	3791	454	86
TOTAL CONTRACT 2015	108,778,880	340,052,074	3.13	4.70	1,357,088	1,293,352	63,736	84
TOTAL CONTRACT 2014	119,168,480	396,664,304	3.33	3.37	1,541,582	1,489,580	52,002	80
PERCENTAGE CHANGE %	-8.72%	-14.27%	-6.08%	39.23%	-11.97%	-13.17%	22.56%	5.13%

Contract Buying Floor Quality Styles and Offerings:

•During week 13 we have seen the contract delivery volume decrease when compared to previous weeks. This decrease relates to 8.72 as a percentage. This is typical as we near the end of the selling season.

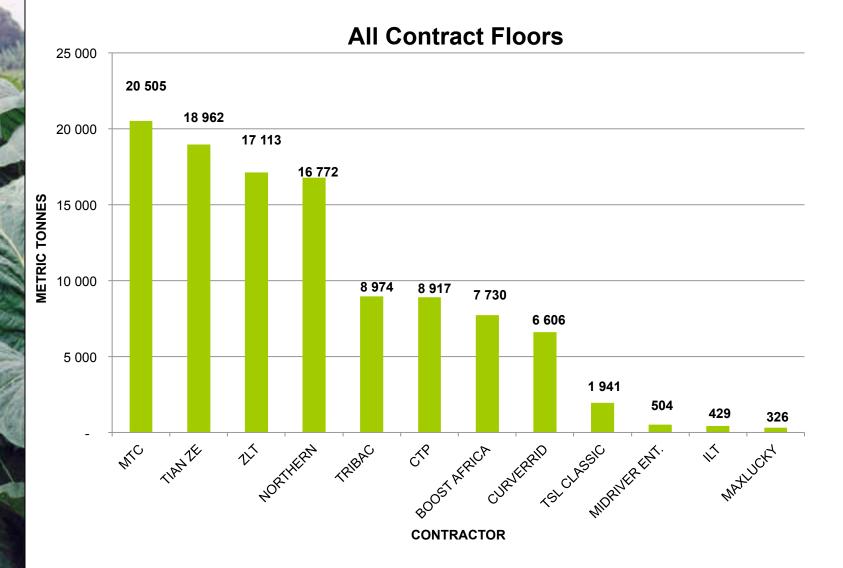
•Contract deliveries are similar to the auction floors and we see that the tobacco being received on contract at this time of the year is generally 3rd to 4th quality leaf, with top quality leaf appearing less and less. Like the Auction floors, contract deliveries have been generally higher in chemistries when compared with the equivalent styles received in 2014. Taking this into consideration and the fact that the crop average has retracted, we feel that there is certainly some good value Zimbabwean semi to full flavour tobacco on offer.

•Again in similar fashion to the auction floors there has been a continued trend of lower prices in comparison to the same period in 2014. The average seasonal price reduction of 6.08% equates to \$3.13 per kg compared to \$3.33per kg for the same period last year.

•The bodied, good quality leaf prices remain comparative to 2014, still fetching sales prices ranging between \$4.00 and \$6.25. It is evident that there is a firm demand from merchants for lengthily, good yielding, wholesome, mature, top quality Leaf.

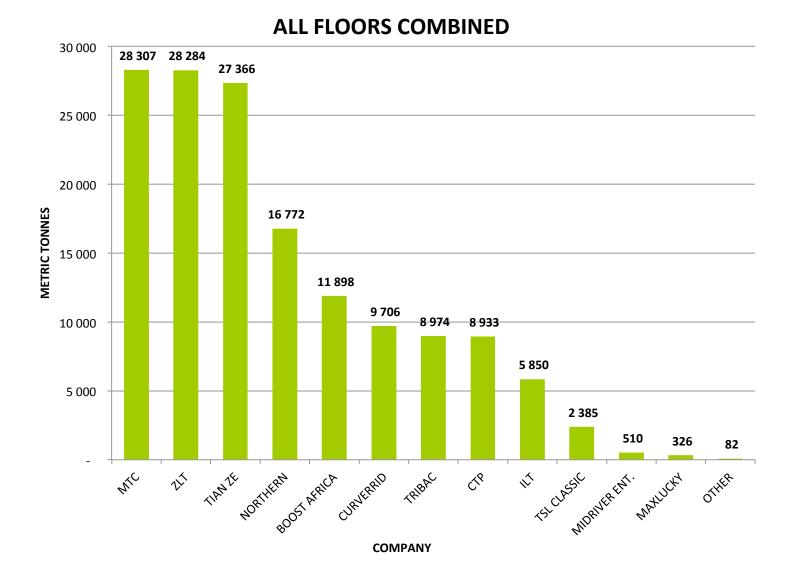
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ALL MERCHANTS COMBINED AUCTION AND CONTRACT SEASONAL PURCHASES





SEASONAL BUYERS PERCENTAGES PER COMPANY AS OF 05/06/15

	TSF %	BOKA %	PREMIER %	COMBINED AUCTION %	CONTRACT %	COMBINED AUCTION AND CONTRACT %
ZLT	26.23	28.33	23.83	26.37	15.88	18.85
мтс	17.71	17.83	18.35	17.88	18.87	18.60
TIAN ZE	17.45	22.46	20.90	20.03	17.45	18.07
NORTHERN	_	_	-	-	16.09	11.25
BOOST AFRICA	9.33	10.55	10.35	9.92	7.32	8.06
CURVERRID	9.94	7.77	0.16	7.22	6.29	6.55
СТР	_	_	_	_	8.77	6.29
TRIBAC	_	-	-	-	8.41	6.03
ILT	11.78	11.28	17.34	12.80	0.36	3.87
TSL CLASSIC	1.52	2.01	0.05	1.44	1.89	1.74
MIDRIVER MAX LUCKY	-	- 0.05	-	- 0.02	0.45	0.32



PRICE TRENDS RELATING TO STYLES BEING OFFERED ON AUCTION AND DIRECT CONTRACT

Price indications (US\$/KG)	Week 13			
Low quality Priming's(4 th and 5 th)	\$0.20 - \$0.50			
Middle quality Priming's (2 nd and 3 rd)	\$0.50 – \$0.80			
Good quality Priming's(1 st and 2 nd)	\$0.80 - \$1.20			
Middle quality Cutters (2^{nd} and 3^{rd})	\$1.50 - \$3.00			
Good quality Cutters (1 st)	\$3.00 - \$4.20			
Low quality leaf $(4^{th} and 5^{th})$	\$1.20 - \$1.70			
Middle quality Leaf (2 nd and 3 rd)	\$2.20 - \$4.20			
Good quality leaf (1 st)	\$4.20 - \$6.25			

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