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Hello:

The following question has been raised recently by several people.

### How are the MGEX Spot Index Prices calculated?

The MGEX financially settled agricultural index contracts settle each month to a three-day average of the spot index price. The spot index price is figured by taking **an average of several hundred country elevator prices** for each commodity. The prices **truly reflect the cash market** and include a broad representation of cash market participants.

Each day, **DTN (Data Transmission Network)** collects bids (number in parenthesis is approximate number of bids for each commodity) from country elevators for hard red spring wheat (300), hard red winter wheat (550), soft red winter wheat (350), corn (2,100) and soybeans (1,900). The average of those bids is the spot index price which is posted on the [MGEX home page](#) and DTN daily grain section.

To learn more about the MGEX financially settled agricultural index products go to [www.mgex.com/indexes\\_index.html](http://www.mgex.com/indexes_index.html), reply to this message or call me at 612-321-7151.

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