

Fundamental Report 11 September 2019



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Financial Markets

Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	14.7012	14.6535	-0.0477	-0.32%
Euro/Rand	16.2360	16.1527	-0.0833	-0.51%
GBPound/Rand	18.1057	18.0785	-0.0272	-0.15%
AusDollar/Rand	10.0821	10.0473	-0.0348	-0.35%
Euro/USDollar	1.1045	1.1047	0.0002	0.02%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2320	1.2364	0.0044	0.36%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.6858	0.6875	0.0017	0.25%
JpyYen/USDollar	107.2900	107.7900	0.5000	0.47%

BDLive - The rand was stronger on Tuesday afternoon in a third day of gains amid a mild reversal in global risk sentiment. Emerging-market currencies have had a slight reprieve as no new threats on tariffs have been made in the US china trade war. Also, looser monetary policy in major economies has been mooted amid mounting global growth concerns, lifting sentiment. "We are seeing a moderate risk reversal as risk appetite improves and US [stock] markets an approaching high levels again. The risk reversal comes from the fact that we have not seen anything new, as far as the US-China trade war is concerned," senior market analyst at Oanda Craig Erlam said. "Talks of stimulus efforts could be aiding the push in emerging-market currencies but I do not think its responsible for the broader risk appetite that we have seen," Erlam said. Both rates cuts and stimulus in developed markets benefit SA, as when there is more money in the global system, the hunt for higher returns becomes more earnest, with investors prepared to take on a little more risk for those better returns.

The European Central Bank is expected to announce its decision on monetary policy on Thursday



Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	937.40	7.15	0.76%
Gold	1493.70	8.20	0.55%
Silver	18.20	0.19	1.05%
Copper	2.63	0.00	0.08%
Gasoil	593.75	-7.00	-1.18%
Brent Oil	62.71	0.33	0.53%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold dropped to a near one-month low on Tuesday to hold below the key \$1,500 level, hit by a stronger dollar and an improved appetite for riskier assets supported by the hope of global economic stimulus. Spot gold was down 0.3% at \$1,494.04/oz as of \$11.26am GMT, after hitting its lowest level since August 13, at \$1,486, earlier in the session. U\$ gold futures slipped 0.6% to \$1,501.90/oz. "More recently, we've had quite a broad improvement in risk appetite — the U\$ stock markets are now little shy away from record highs — that is taking some of the edge off gold, "Oanda senior market analyst Craig Erlam said, adding a stronger dollar was also pressuring the malk Bullion prices have shed more than 4% or more than \$60 in less than a week, mainly hurt by a broader uptick in equity markets. Also, the dollar rose 0.2% on Tuesday, making gold more expensive for investors holding other currencies. Markets are looking out for Thursday's European Central Bank (ECB) meeting, which is widely expected to deliver a cut to interest rates. The U\$ Federal Reserve is also widely expected to cut rates next week as policymakers race to battle risks of a global downturn.



Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	49484.56	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	49308.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	2978.43	0.96	0.03%
FTSE	7235.81	32.14	0.44%
CAC	5593.21	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12268.71	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	26683.68	402.88	1.51%



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Corn / Maize Market

Chicago Board of Trade

Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Main Session Change	Main Session Change from 12pm	Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm
SEP 2019	344.00	348.50	7.75	4.50	349.75	1.25	5.75
DEC 2019	359.00	361.50	7.25	2.50	361.75	0.25	2.75
MAR 2010	372.00	374.50	7.25	2.50	374.75	0.25	2.75
MAY 2010	380.00	383.50	6.75	3.50	383.50	0.00	3.50
JUL 2010	388.00	390.75	6.50	2.75	390.75	0.00	2.75



FarmFutures - Corn prices bounced more than 2% higher Tuesday after USDA slashed crop quality ratings from 58% in good-to-excellent condition a week ago down to 55%. September futures gained 7.75 cents to \$3.4850, with December futures up 7.25 cents to \$3.6150. Corn basis bids were steady to firm across the central U.S. Tuesday, firming between 3 and 8 cents at several Midwestern elevators, processors and river terminals today.

Private exporters reported to USDA the sale of nearly 11.0 million bushels of corn for delivery to Mexico during the 2019/20 marketing year, which began September 1.

For the week ending September 8, USDA rated just 55% of the crop in good-toexcellent condition, down 3 points from a week ago. Another 31% of the crop is rated fair (up 2 points from last week), with the remaining 14% rated poor or very poor (up a point from last week). Yield potential fell nearly 2 bushels per acre based on those ratings, landing at an estimated 168.1 bpa.

Physiologically, USDA marked 89% at dough stage, 55% dented and 11% fully mature – all of which remain moderately behind their prior five-year averages

Brazil's Conab slightly increased its estimates for the country's 2018/19 corn exports, now at 1.378 billion bushels. Conab also slightly raised Brazilian corn production estimates, now at 3.936 billion bushels.

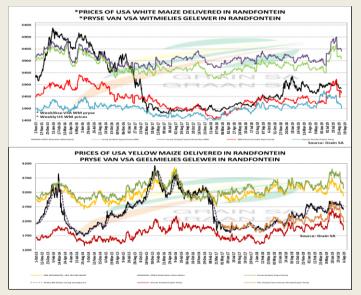
South Korea purchased between 2.2. million and 2.7 million bushels of corn from optional origins in an international tender that closed earlier today. The grain is for arrival in February.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 252,353 contracts, trending slightly above Monday's final count of 243,173.

South African Futures Exchange

	МТМ	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price					
White Maize Future									
Dec 2018									
Mar 2019									
May 2019									
Jul 2019									
Sep 2019	R 2,700.00	25%	R 26.71	R 2,726.71					
Dec 2019	R 2,779.00	24.75%	R 9.12	R 2,788.12					
Jul 2019									
Yellow Maize Future									
Dec 2018									
Mar 2019									
May 2019									
Jul 2019									
Sep 2019	R 2,578.00	20.5%	R 26.71	R 2,604.71					
Dec 2019	R 2,643.00	20.5%	R 9.12	R 2,652.12					
Jul 2019									

The local Maize market traded higher yesterday. The local Sep'19 WMAZ contract ended R66.00 up and Sep'19 YMAZ closed R54.00 higher. The Dec'19 WMAZ closed higher by R65.00 and Dec'19 YMAZ ended R48.00 up. The parity move for the Sep'19 Maize contract for yesterday was R12.00 positive.







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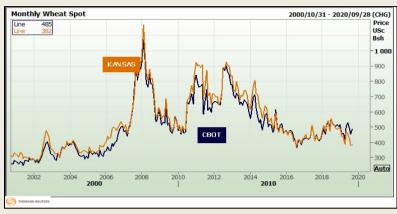
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Wheat Market

Chicago Board of Trade and Kansas Board of Trade

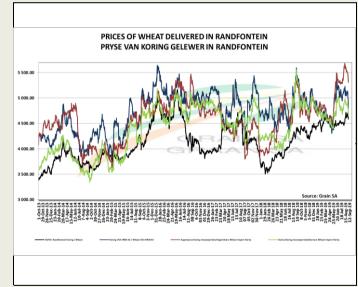
	CBOT Wheat						KBOT Wheat								
Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Main Session Change	Main Session Change from 12pm	Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm	Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Main Session Change	Main Session Change from 12pm	Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm
SEP 2019	468.00	484.50	10.00	16.50	0.00	-484.50	-468.00	SEP 2019	375.00	382.00	2.00	7.00	0.00	-382.00	-375.00
DEC 2019	480.00	482.25	7.75	2.25	480.00	-2.25	0.00	DEC 2019	402.00	403.75	5.75	1.75	401.00	-2.75	-1.00
MAR 2010	484.00	487.50	8.50	3.50	485.50	-2.00	1.50	MAR 2010	415.00	417.50	5.50	2.50	414.75	-2.75	-0.25
MAY 2010	487.00	490.25	8.75	3.25	489.25	-1.00	2.25	MAY 2010	424.00	427.00	5.00	3.00	424.75	-2.25	0.75
JUL 2010	489.00	492.75	8.75	3.75	491.00	-1.75	2.00	JUL 2010	435.00	436.75	5.00	1.75	435.00	-1.75	0.00

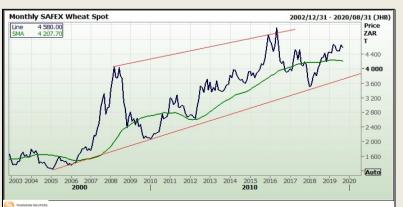


armFutures - Wheat prices firmed moderately on a round of technical buying and short-covering Tuesday, further supported by spillover strength from rising corn prices. December Chicago SRW futures gained 10 cents to \$4.8450, December Kansas City HRW futures picked up 5.5 cents to \$4.0375, and December MGEX spring wheat futures added 7 cents to \$5.0375. Spring wheat arvest made a little more progress than expected last week, moving from 55% a week ago up to 71%. Analysts estimated harvest progress of 69%. That's still well below 2018's pace of 92% and a five-year average of 87%, however.
France's farm ministry raised its estimates for this year's soft wheat production by 3.3% from a month ago to reach 1.450 billion bushels. If realized, that would be the country's second-largest wheat crop on record. South Korea has ourchased 2.8 million bushels of wheat from the U.S. in two tenders that closed arlier today. The grain is for shipment starting in late December. Turkey made provisional purchases of 3.2 million bushels of durum wheat from optional rigins in tenders that closed earlier today. The grain is for shipment starting the third week of September, Jordan purchased 2.2 million bushels of hard milling wheat from optional origins in an international tender that closed earlier oday. Thailand issued an international tender to purchase 2.6 million bushels of milling wheat from optional origins that closes tomorrow. The grain is for shipment in December.

South African Futures Exchange

	МТМ	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
Bread Milling Wheat				
Dec 2018				
Mar 2019				
May 2019				
Jul 2019				
Sep 2019	R 4,580.00	0%	########	R 2,051.97
Dec 2019	R 4,549.00	12.5%	R -8.41	R 4,540.59
Jul 2019				
Cape Wheat				
Dec 2018				
Mar 2019				
May 2019				
Jul 2019				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019				
Jul 2019				





The local Weat market closed neutral to lower yesterday. The local Sep'19 Weat contract closed R5.00 down and Dec'19 Weat closed R6.00 lower. The parity move for the Sep'19 Weat contract for yesterday was R84.00 positive.



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Oil Seed Market

Chicago Board of Trade

CBOT Soybean Seed										
Month	Change from		Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm					
SEP 2019	847.00	859.25	14.25	12.25	0.00	-859.25	-847.00			
NOV 2019	862.00	872.00	14.25	10.00	870.50	-1.50	8.50			
JAN 2010	876.00	885.75	13.75	9.75	883.75	-2.00	7.75			
MAR 2010	890.00	899.00	13.25	9.00	897.75	-1.25	7.75			
MAY 2010	901.00	910.75	12.75	9.75	909.25	-1.50	8.25			



CBOT Soybean Meal						
Month	Current Overnight					
SEP 2019	292.9	0.00				
OCT 2019	294.3	293.20				
DEC 2019	298.1	297.00				
JAN 2010	300	298.80				
MAR 2010	303	301.90				

CBOT Soybean Oil							
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight					
SEP 2019	28.38	0.00					
OCT 2019	28.35	28.35					
DEC 2019	28.53	28.53					
JAN 2010	28.75	28.74					
MAR 2010	29.04	29.04					

FarmFutures - Soybean prices rose double digits Tuesday on a round of short-covering, with spillover strength from corn supplying additional tailwinds. Eight percent of the U.S. crop still isn't setting pods, creating some lingering production concerns despite stable crop conditions ower the past week. September and November futures each added 14.25 cents to close at \$8.5925 and \$8.72, respectively. Soybean basis bids weakened between 5 and 8 cents across multiple Midwestern processors and interior river terminals today, due to ample supplies at many locations. Private exporters reported to USDA the sale of 5.1 million bushels of soybeans for delivery to Mexico during the 2019/20 marketing year, which began September 1. Private exporters also announced the sale of 195,750 metric tons of soybean cake and soymeal, also for delivery to Mexico, for delivery in 2019/20 and 2020/21. Soybean quality ratings did a bit of a shuffle last week, with 55% of the crop rated good-to-excellent, with another 33% rated fair (up a point from last week) and the remaining 12% rated poor or very poor (down a point from last week). Yield estimates based on state-by-state and national ratings now stand at 49.7 bpa to 50.8 bpa. Physiologically, this year's soybean crop is still moderately behind, with 92% of the crop now setting pods. That's up from the prior week's tally of 86% but down from 2018's pace of 100% and a five-year average of 99%. Dry weather in the top two production regions in Brazil is slowing the country's 2019/20 soybean planting pace. But wetter weather expected in late September and early October could kickstart planting progress in the next few weeks. Meantime, Conab kept Brazilian soybean export estimates for 2018/19 steady, at 2.572 billion bushels. Soybean production estimates declined fractionally, meantime, now at 4.227 billion bushels.

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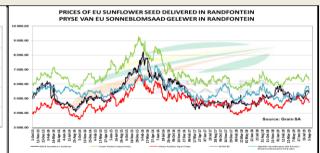
	Soybean Future							
	мтм	Vols	Parity Change	Market Price				
Dec 2018								
Mar 2019								
May 2019								
Jul 2019								
Sep 2019	R 5,552.00	0%	#######	R 976.71				
Dec 2019	R 5,591.00	14%		R 5,591.00				
Jul 2019								



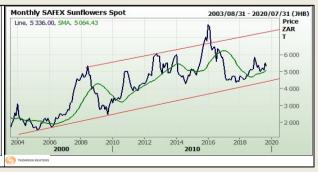
The local Soya market traded higher yesterday. The local Sep'19 Soya contract ended R24.00 up and Dec'19 Soya closed R20.00 higher. The parity move for the Sep'19 Soya contract for yesterday was R25.00 positive.

The local Suns market closed lower yesterday. The local Sep'19 Suns contract closed R14.00 down and Dec'19 Suns closed R23.00 lower.









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