



**Fundamental Report**  
**14 October 2019**

## Financial Markets

### Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	14.9078	14.7458	-0.1620	-1.09%
Euro/Rand	16.4290	16.2604	-0.1686	-1.03%
GBPound/Rand	18.6387	18.5645	-0.0742	-0.40%
AusDollar/Rand	10.1254	10.0109	-0.1145	-1.13%
Euro/USDollar	1.1019	1.1028	0.0009	0.08%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2505	1.2594	0.0089	0.71%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.6792	0.6789	-0.0003	-0.04%
JpyYen/USDollar	108.1200	108.3000	0.1800	0.17%

BDLive - The JSE snapped a three-week losing streak on Friday, as global markets leapt on the news that talks between the US and China over their trade impasse are progressing well.

China and the US are in their second day of discussions to end their 15-month trade war, which has come at a great cost to the global economy. By the JSE's close the Dow Jones industrial average was 1.59% higher at 26,918.79 points, with the S&P 500 up by a similar margin. In Europe, the FTSE 100 had gained 0.65%, France's CAC 40 1.47%, and Germany's DAX 30 2.46%.

The Rand also enjoyed good gains on Friday, trading more than 2% firmer at R14.7498/\$ by 5.35pm. It had also strengthened 1.55% to R16.3102/€ but was flat at R18.7182/£. Gains against the pound were muted as the latter firm ed against most other currencies on news that British Prime Minister Boris Johnson and his Irish counterpart Leo Varadkar were making progress towards a potential "pathway" to avoid a no-deal Brexit.



### Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	892.11	2.61	0.29%
Gold	1485.90	-3.55	-0.24%
Silver	17.57	0.03	0.17%
Copper	2.63	0.00	-0.04%
Gasoil	591.25	-4.50	-0.76%
Brent Oil	60.27	-0.24	-0.40%

BDLive - Gold prices steadied on Friday, settling into a narrow range as investors awaited more clarity on global uncertainties including trade and Brexit, helping the metal shake off initial declines driven by hopes for a breakthrough in the US-China talks.

Palladium, meanwhile, was down 0.1% at \$1,698.33/oz, as of 3.06am GMT, but held close to Thursday's all-time peak of \$1,704.59/oz, putting it on track for an about 2% weekly gain. Spot gold inched 0.2% higher to \$1,496.49/oz, while US gold futures were little changed at \$1,501.00/oz. "We have news that is positive in terms of trade talks, but no actual resolution yet. The market is still a little sceptical," said Brian Lan, MD at dealer GoldSilver Central in Singapore.

"A few things are still hanging, including a no-deal Brexit. Time is ticking but not much progress is happening. The [situation in] Hong Kong is also not resolved."



### Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	49404.06	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	49609.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	2938.13	32.14	1.09%
FTSE	7186.36	60.72	0.84%
CAC	5665.48	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12511.65	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	26308.44	295.92	1.12%



DISCLAIMER: This report has been prepared by GroCapital Financial Services Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of AFGRI Operations Limited is provided to you for information purposes only. GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI hereby certify that the views expressed in this report were obtained from sources which GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI consider to be reliable. GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI do not make any representations or give any guarantees or warranties, expressed or implied, as to the correctness, accuracy or completeness of the report. Neither GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI, nor any of their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, shall assume any liability for any losses arising from errors or omissions in the opinions, forecasts or information, irrespective of whether there has been any negligence by GroCapital and AFGRI, their affiliate, or their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, regardless of whether such damages were foreseen or unforeseen. The information contained in this report is confidential and may be subject to legal privilege. This report is not intended to not should it be taken to create any legal relations or contractual relations.

## 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
DEC 2019	384.00	397.75	17.50	13.75	399.00	1.25	15.00
MAR 2010	395.00	407.75	16.25	12.75	408.50	0.75	13.50
MAY 2010	401.00	412.75	15.25	11.75	414.00	1.25	13.00
JUL 2010	406.00	416.50	14.25	10.50	418.25	1.75	12.25
SEP 2010	402.00	407.75	7.25	5.75	408.75	1.00	6.75

FarmFutures - Corn prices soared more than 4% higher Friday, riding a wave of weather woes and trade optimism that sparked a significant round of technical buying. December futures climbed 17.5 cents to \$3.9775, with March futures up 16.5 cents to \$4.0775. December futures ended the week with gains totaling 2.6%.

Corn basis bids were steady to firm Friday, rising 1 to 5 cents across a handful of Midwestern locations today.

France's corn harvest is now 14% complete, versus last year's pace of 65%. Excessive rains have slowed harvest in recent weeks. The country's 2019/20 wheat planting pace is also behind schedule.

The energy market remains a ship navigating a sea of uncertainty. The only solid trend comes from agriculture, as farmers burn through more diesel to bring in 2019 crops. Find out what factors Farm Futures senior grain market analyst Bryce Knorr has been monitoring in his latest Energy/Ethanol Outlook column.

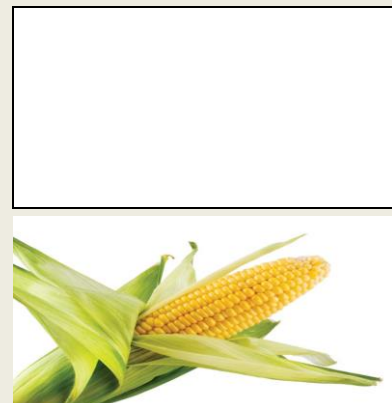
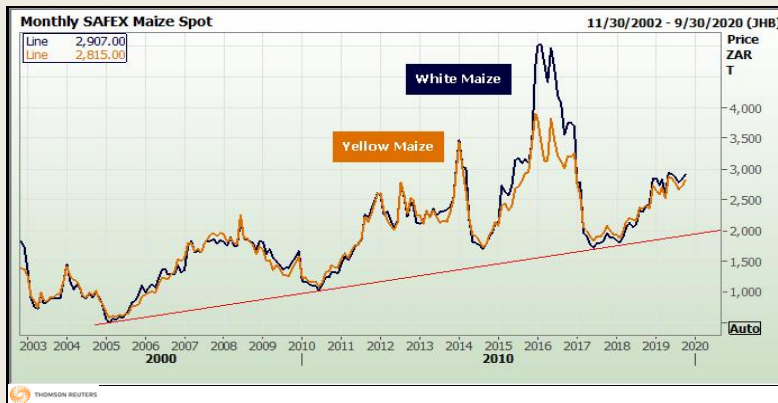
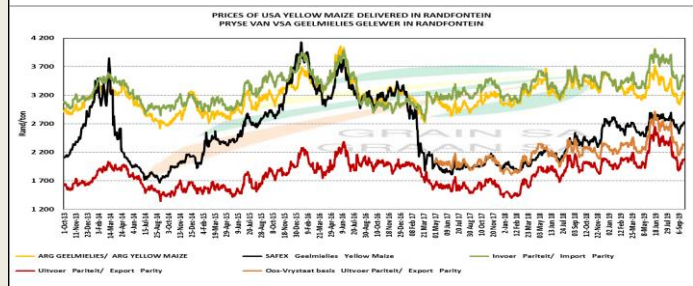
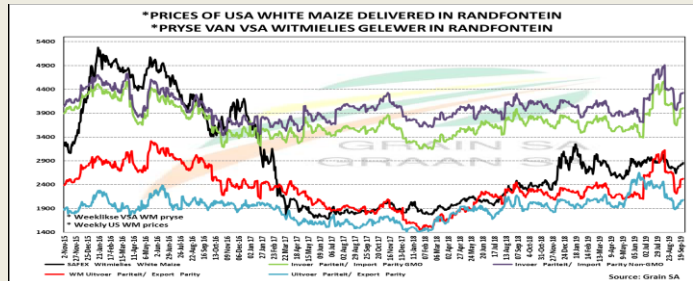
Preliminary volume estimates were for 437,857 contracts, easing moderately below Thursday's final count of 505,706.



### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>White Maize Future</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 2 945.00	30%	R 62.59	R 3 007.59
Mar 2020	R 2 919.00	30.5%		R 2 919.00
May 2020	R 2 738.00	0%		R 2 738.00
Jul 2020	R 2 738.00	31%		R 2 738.00
Sep 2020	R 2 809.00	0%		R 2 809.00
Dec 2020	R 2 876.00	29%		R 2 876.00
<b>Yellow Maize Future</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 2 850.00	22.5%	R 62.59	R 2 912.59
Mar 2020	R 2 800.00	21.5%		R 2 800.00
May 2020	R 2 668.00	0%		R 2 668.00
Jul 2020	R 2 681.00	19.5%		R 2 681.00
Sep 2020	R 2 748.00	0%		R 2 748.00
Dec 2020	R 2 821.00	0%		R 2 821.00

The local Maize market traded lower yesterday. The Dec'19 WMAZ contract ended R31.00 down and Dec'19 YMAZ closed R50.00 lower. The Mar'20 WMAZ closed lower by R20.00 and Mar'20 YMAZ ended R40.00 down. The parity move for the Dec'19 Maize contract for yesterday was R9.00 positive.

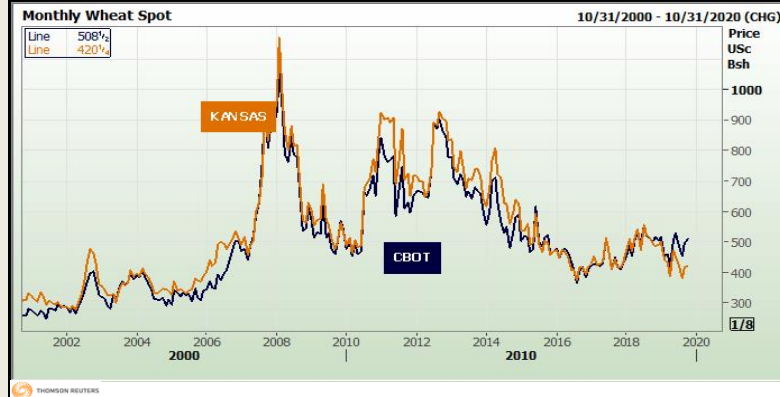


DISCLAIMER: This report has been prepared by GroCapital Financial Services Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of AFGRI Operations Limitedis provided to you for information purposes only.GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI hereby certify that the views expressed in this report were obtained from sources which GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI consider to be reliable.GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI do not make any representations or give any guarantees or warranties, expressed or implied, as to the correctness, accuracy or completeness of the report.Neither GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI, nor any affiliate, nor any of their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, shall assume any liability for any losses arising from errors or omissions in the opinions, forecasts or information, irrespective of whether there has been any negligence by GroCapital and AFGRI, their affiliate, or their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, regardless of whether such damages were foreseen or unforeseen. The information contained in this report is confidential and may be subject to legal privilege. This report is not intended to not should it be taken to create any legal relations or contractual relations.

## 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
DEC 2019	496.00	508.00	15.00	12.00	508.50	0.50	12.50	DEC 2019	407.00	419.50	16.25	12.50	420.25	0.75	13.25
MAR 2010	502.00	514.00	14.25	12.00	514.25	0.25	12.25	MAR 2010	420.00	432.00	15.50	12.00	432.75	0.75	12.75
MAY 2010	507.00	518.50	13.25	11.50	519.25	0.75	12.25	MAY 2010	430.00	441.75	14.75	11.75	442.00	0.25	12.00
JUL 2010	512.00	522.25	12.25	10.25	522.75	0.50	10.75	JUL 2010	440.00	450.75	14.00	10.75	451.00	0.25	11.00
SEP 2010	518.00	529.25	11.50	11.25	532.25	3.00	14.25	SEP 2010	450.50	461.00	13.50	10.50	0.00	-461.00	-450.50



FarmFutures - Wheat prices followed corn and soybeans higher on trade optimism, with some concerns about spring wheat harvest disruption and winter wheat planting also in the mix today. December Chicago SRW futures gained 15 cents to \$5.08, December Kansas City HRW futures climbed 17.75 cents to \$4.21, and December MGEX spring wheat futures added 12.75 cents to \$5.4550.

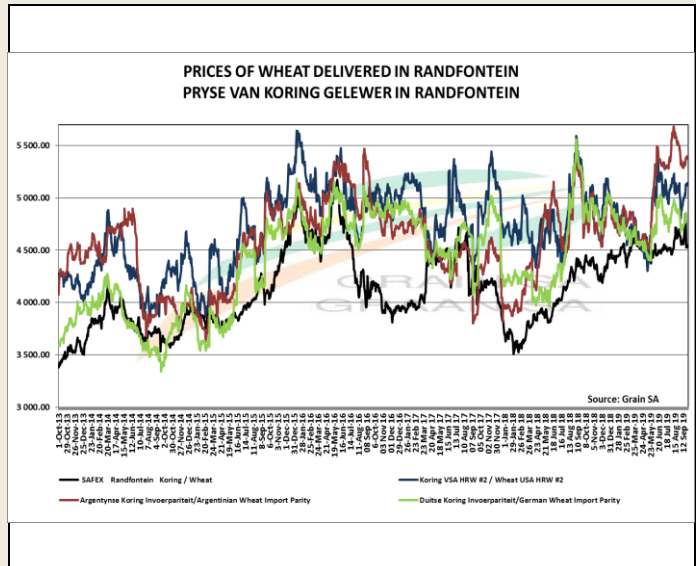
Ukraine's central bank expects the country's 2019 grain harvest to reap a record 80 million metric tons this fall. Ukraine is a significant exporter of wheat and corn.

Tunisia received multiple offers in its bid to purchase 1.8 million bushels of milling wheat from optional origins. The grain is for shipment in November.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 127,633 CBOT contracts, surpassing Thursday's final count of 104,214.

### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>Bread Milling Wheat</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 4 583.00	11%	R 38.20	R 4 621.20
Mar 2020	R 4 683.00	9.5%		R 4 683.00
May 2020	R 4 759.00	0%		R 4 759.00
Jul 2020	R 4 773.00	0%		R 4 773.00
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				
<b>Cape Wheat</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019				
Mar 2020				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				



The local Wheat market closed lower yesterday. The Dec'19 Wheat contract closed R32.00 down and Mar'20 Wheat closed R32.00 lower. The parity move for the Dec'19 Wheat contract for yesterday was unchanged.



DISCLAIMER: This report has been prepared by GroCapital Financial Services Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of AFGRI Operations Limited is provided to you for information purposes only. GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI hereby certify that the views expressed in this report were obtained from sources which GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI consider to be reliable. GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI do not make any representations or give any guarantees or warranties, expressed or implied, as to the correctness, accuracy or completeness of the report. Neither GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI, nor any affiliate, nor any of their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, shall assume any liability for any losses arising from errors or omissions in the opinions, forecasts or information, irrespective of whether there has been any negligence by GroCapital and AFGRI, their affiliate, or their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, regardless of whether such damages were foreseen or unforeseen. The information contained in this report is confidential and may be subject to legal privilege. This report is not intended to not should it be taken to create any legal relations or contractual relations.

## Oil Seed Market

### Chicago Board of Trade

CBOT Soybean Seed						
Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Main Session Change	Main Session Change from 12pm	Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session
NOV 2019	933.00	936.00	12.50	3.00	940.75	4.75
JAN 2010	947.00	950.50	13.00	3.50	955.25	4.75
MAR 2010	959.00	961.00	11.50	2.00	964.50	3.50
MAY 2010	969.00	968.50	9.50	-0.50	971.25	2.75
JUL 2010	978.00	976.75	8.25	-1.25	979.00	2.25

CBOT Soybean Meal		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
OCT 2019	306.9	0.00
DEC 2019	310.8	313.00
JAN 2010	313.2	315.40
MAR 2010	316.6	318.80
MAY 2010	320.2	322.20

CBOT Soybean Oil		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
OCT 2019	29.83	30.04
DEC 2019	29.97	29.93
JAN 2010	30.21	30.19
MAR 2010	30.46	30.43
MAY 2010	30.75	30.73



FarmFutures - Soybean prices moved more than 1% higher Friday as the U.S. and China are reportedly closing in on a partial trade agreement. November futures rose 12.5 cents in today's bumpy session to \$9.36, with January futures gaining 13 cents to \$9.5050. For the week, November futures moved 2.1% higher.

Soybean basis bids were slightly mixed but mostly steady across the central U.S. Friday.

Excessive rainfall in India could have the country's 2019 soybean production slumping 18% year-over-year to 330.7 million bushels. India is already the world's No. 1 edible oil importer and will likely ramp up palm oil, soyoil and sunflower oil purchases starting next month.

In Brazil, the country is off to its slowest soybean planting pace in the past five years, with current progress reaching 9.5% compared to 21% a year ago. Yield potential is unlikely to be affected at this point, however. Click here to learn more about what's been going on with our top soybean export competitor.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 367,960 contracts, moving moderately above Thursday's final count of 314,109.

### South African Futures Exchange

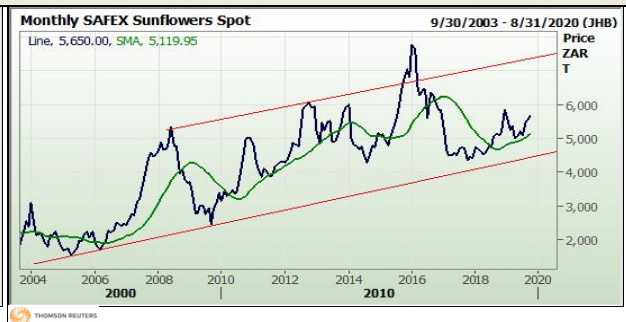
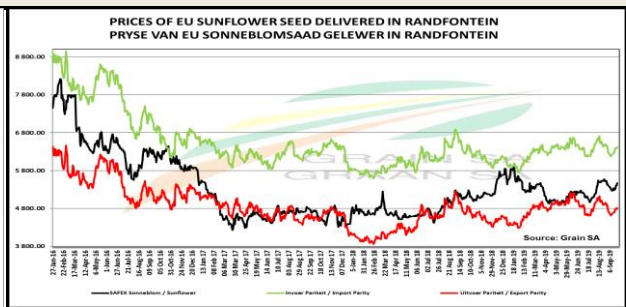
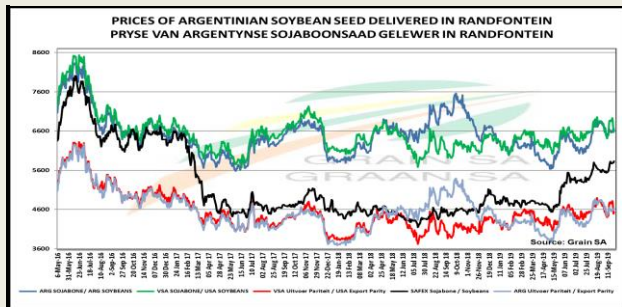
Soybean Future			
	MTM	Vols	Market Price
Sep 2019			
Dec 2019	R 6 018.00	14%	R 6 018.00
Mar 2020	R 5 943.00	0%	R 5 943.00
May 2020	R 5 754.00	17%	R 5 754.00
Jul 2020	R 5 842.00	20.5%	R 5 842.00
Sep 2020	R 5 861.00	0%	R 5 861.00
Dec 2020			

Sunflower Seeds Future		
	MTM	Vols
Sep 2019		
Dec 2019	R 5 775.00	16%
Mar 2020	R 5 760.00	0%
May 2020	R 5 378.00	13.5%
Jul 2020	R 5 390.00	0%
Sep 2020		
Dec 2020	R 5 575.00	0%



The local Soya market traded lower yesterday. The Dec'19 Soya contract ended R40.00 down and Mar'20 Soya closed R26.00 lower. The parity move for the Dec'19 Soya contract for yesterday was R43.00 positive.

The local Suns market closed lower yesterday. The Dec'19 Suns contract closed R84.00 down and Mar'20 Suns closed R91.00 lower.



**DISCLAIMER:** This report has been prepared by GroCapital Financial Services Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of AFGRI Operations Limitedis provided to you for information purposes only.GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI hereby certify that the views expressed in this report were obtained from sources which GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI consider to be reliable.GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI do not make any representations or give any guarantees or warranties, expressed or implied, as to the correctness, accuracy or completeness of the report.Neither GROCAPITAL AND AFGRI, nor any affiliate, nor any of their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, shall assume any liability for any losses arising from errors or omissions in the opinions, forecasts or information, irrespective of whether there has been any negligence by GroCapital and AFGRI, their affiliate, or their respective officers, directors, partners or employees, regardless of whether such damages were foreseen or unforeseen. The information contained in this report is confidential and may be subject to legal privilege. This report is not intended to not should it be taken to create any legal relations or contractual relations.