

Fundamental Report 02 October 2019



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Financial Markets

Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	15.2599	15.3221	0.0622	0.41%
Euro/Rand	16.6347	16.7564	0.1217	0.73%
GBPound/Rand	18.7585	18.8181	0.0596	0.32%
AusDollar/Rand	10.2211	10.2903	0.0692	0.68%
Euro/USDollar	1.0892	1.0936	0.0044	0.40%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2286	1.2285	-0.0001	-0.01%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.6698	0.6716	0.0018	0.27%
JpyYen/USDollar	108.3300	107.8100	-0.5200	-0.48%

BDLive - The rand weakened for the fifth consecutive session on Tuesday, its first five-session loss since early August as emerging-market currencies remained under pressure amid global risk-off sentiment, while investors begin to shift their focus to the ANC's briefing on its plans to revive the SA economy.

Investors are awaiting some direction from the government regarding SA's economic-growth trajectory, with the party set to announce its plans to boost an economy that the Reserve Bank expects to grow by just 0.6% in 2019.

The ANC briefing, set for Wednesday, comes after the party's national executive committee (NEC) meeting at the weekend, at which finance minster Tito Mboweni's economic reform paper was discussed. Pressure is mounting for President Cyril Ramaphosa to implement his promised structural reforms to boost economic growth and to turn around alling state-owned entities, such as Eskom.



Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	872.77	-3.23	-0.37%
Gold	1477.68	-0.90	-0.06%
Silver	17.23	0.00	-0.02%
Copper	2.57	0.01	0.47%
Gasoil	587.50	0.25	0.04%
Brent Oil	59.28	0.39	0.66%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold prices fell to a near two-month low on Tuesday, weighed down by a stronger dollar, while hopes of progress in the US-China trade talks lifted equity markets in a further hit to the bullion's appeal.

Trading was thin in Asian hours as traders in top consumer China went for a public holiday. Spot gold was down 0.4% at \$1,465.80 an ounce, as of 4.56am GMT, after declining to its lowest since August 6 at \$1,462.44 earlier in the session. US gold futures were 0.1% lower at \$1,471.80 an ounce.

The dollar's potential to gain further and optimism about a potential trade deal between Washington and Beijing weighed on gold, said Michael McCarthy, chief market strategist at CMC Markets.

"We also broke through the \$1,480-\$1,490 support level and on a technical basis that in itself is enough to spur further selling," he said.



Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	48938.16	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	49197.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	2976.74	-36.49	-1.23%
FTSE	7408.21	-47.89	-0.65%
CAC	5597.63	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12263.83	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	26092.27	-183.32	-0.70%



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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
DEC 2019	386.00	392.50	4.50	6.50	390.75	-1.75	4.75
MAR 2010	399.00	404.50	5.00	5.50	402.75	-1.75	3.75
MAY 2010	404.00	409.25	4.00	5.25	408.50	-0.75	4.50
JUL 2010	408.00	411.75	3.25	3.75	411.25	-0.50	3.25
SEP 2010	403.00	405.50	1.00	2.50	405.00	-0.50	2.00



FarmFutures - Corn prices gained nearly 1% Tuesday as technical buying continues amid Monday's quarterly grain stocks report from USDA, which showed lower-than-expected domestic supplies. December futures added 4.5 cents to \$3.9250, and March futures gained 5 cents to \$4.0450. Harvest pressure and surging futures prices kept corn basis bids steady to weak Tuesday, tumbling as much as 23 cents lower at an Ohio elevator. Losses between 1 and 5 cents were more common, however.

Corn harvest reached 11% completion as of September 29, per the latest USDA crop progress report, out Monday afternoon. That's a step forward from the prior week's pace of 7% but lags well behind 2018's pace of 25% and the fiveyear average of 19%. Fields that have yet to be harvested are still nearing that phase of the season. USDA marked 88% of the crop as dented, with 43% now fully mature.

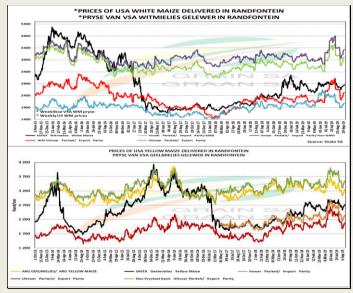
From a quality standpoint, little was changed. USDA rated 57% of the crop in good-to-excellent condition (unchanged from last week), with 29% rated fair (down a point from last week) and the remaining 14% rated poor or very poor (up a point from last week). Those ratings suggest yield potential is now at 169.25 bushels per acre. A biofuels policy from the EPA has been put on hold or now, with the Trump Administration's attention diverted due to an ongoing impeachment inquiry. Even so, an EPA spokesperson said the agency will continue to consult with federal partners to create stability for the Renewable Fuels Standard. Brazil exported 255.9 million bushels of corn in September, nearly doubling its output from a year ago but sliding 15% below the country's August tally. Algeria issued an international tender to purchase nearly 2.0 million bushels of corn from Argentina that expires tomorrow. The grain is for shipment in early November.

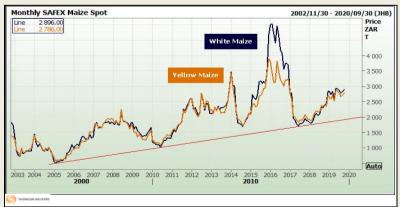
Are fertilizer prices set for a seasonal increase after an unusual 2019 crop season? Learn what factors are currently in play in the latest Fertilizer Outlook column from Farm Futures senior grain market analyst Bryce Knorr. Preliminary volume estimates were for 331,662 contracts, cooling significantly from Monday's final count of 514,627.

South African Futures Exchange

	мтм	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price					
White Maize Future									
Sep 2019									
Dec 2019	R 2 946.00	28.5%	R 38.10	R 2 984.10					
Mar 2020	R 2 942.00	29%		R 2 942.00					
May 2020	R 2 723.00	0%		R 2 723.00					
Jul 2020	R 2 707.00	28.25%		R 2 707.00					
Sep 2020	R 2 760.00	0%		R 2 760.00					
Dec 2020	R 2 801.00	29%		R 2801.00					
Yellow Maize Fut	ure								
Sep 2019									
Dec 2019	R 2832.00	21.5%	R 38.10	R 2870.10					
Mar 2020	R 2 799.00	20.5%		R 2 799.00					
May 2020	R 2 670.00	0%		R 2 670.00					
Jul 2020	R 2 680.00	19.5%		R 2 680.00					
Sep 2020	R 2712.00	0%		R 2712.00					
Dec 2020	R 2 777.00	0%		R 2 777.00					

The local Maize market traded higher yesterday. The Dec'19 WMAZ contract ended R57.00 up and Dec'19 YMAZ closed R73.00 higher. The Mar'20 WMAZ closed higher by R51.00 and Mar'20 YMAZ ended R57.00 up. The parity move for the Dec'19 Maize contract for yesterday was R33.00 positive.







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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
DEC 2019	496.00	498.75	3.00	2.75	496.50	-2.25	0.50	DEC 2019	412.00	411.50	-3.50	-0.50	410.50	-1.00	-1.50
MAR 2010	502.00	505.75	3.25	3.75	503.50	-2.25	1.50	MAR 2010	424.00	424.00	-4.25	0.00	423.00	-1.00	-1.00
MAY 2010	507.00	510.75	3.50	3.75	508.00	-2.75	1.00	MAY 2010	433.00	433.25	-4.25	0.25	431.75	-1.50	-1.25
JUL 2010	511.00	514.25	3.50	3.25	511.25	-3.00	0.25	JUL 2010	445.00	442.25	-4.25	-2.75	440.00	-2.25	-5.00
SEP 2010	518.00	521.75	3.75	3.75	518.50	-3.25	0.50	SEP 2010	454.00	453.25	-4.25	-0.75	0.00	-453.25	-454.00

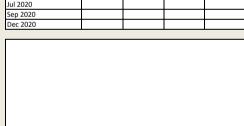


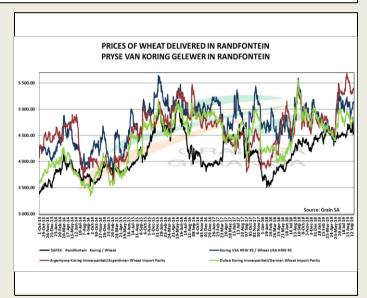
FarmFutures - Wheat prices were mixed but mostly lower today, with CBOT contracts picking up some spillover strength from corn, while technical selling clipped Kansa City HRW and MGEX spring wheat contracts. December Chicago SRW futures gained 3 cents to \$4.9875, while December Kansas City HRW futures lost 5 cents to \$4.10 and December MGEX spring wheat futures tumbled 115 cents to \$3.425

Spring wheat harvest reached 90% last week, which was higher than analyst estimates, but 99% to 100% of the crop is typically harvested by the end of September. Winter wheat planting is more in line with the pace of recent years after reaching 39% last week. The prior five-year average is 38%. Ukraine's wheat exports for 2019/20 have boomed 61% higher year-over-year, reaching 317 million bushels during the first third of the current marketing year. Taiwan purchased 4.1 million bushels of U.S. wheat in a tender that closed earlier today. The grain is for shipment in November and December. Morocco qualified 1.1 million bushels of U.S. wheat for reduced-tariff import, for arrival by the end of December. Turkey has provisionally purchased 1.2 million bushels of durum wheat from optional origins in a series of tenders that closed earlier today. The grain is for shipment starting next week. Preliminary volume estimates were for 90,605 CBOT contracts, slipping below Monday's final count of 117,028.

South African Futures Exchange

	МТМ	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
Bread Milling Wheat				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 4 600.00	11%	R 14.15	R 4 614.15
Mar 2020	R 4 709.00	9.5%		R 4 709.00
May 2020	R 4742.00	0%		R 4742.00
Jul 2020	R 4752.00	0%		R 4752.00
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				
Cape Wheat				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019				
Mar 2020				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				







The local Weat market closed higher yesterday. The Dec'19 Weat contract closed R5.00 up and Mar'20 Weat closed R9.00 higher. The parity move for the Dec'19 Weat contract for yesterday was R11.00 positive.



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Oil Seed Market

Chicago Board of Trade

	CBOT Soybean Seed										
Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Change from		Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm				
NOV 2019	908.00	919.50	13.50	11.50	917.50	-2.00	9.50				
JAN 2010	922.00	932.50	13.00	10.50	930.75	-1.75	8.75				
MAR 2010	932.00	941.50	11.50	9.50	939.50	-2.00	7.50				
MAY 2010	941.00	949.25	10.25	8.25	947.25	-2.00	6.25				
JUL 2010	948.00	956.50	9.50	8.50	954.50	-2.00	6.50				



CBOT Soybean Meal						
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight				
OCT 2019	304.1	0.00				
DEC 2019	309	308.60				
JAN 2010	310.8	310.40				
MAR 2010	313.6	313.20				
MAY 2010	317.1	316.50				

CBOT Soybean Oil							
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight					
OCT 2019	28.83	0.00					
DEC 2019	28.88	29.06					
JAN 2010	29.11	29.29					
MAR 2010	29.38	29.54					
MAY 2010	29.69	29.86					

FarmFutures - Soybean prices were up double digits today on more technical buying after USDA reported lower-than-expected domestic stocks yesterday. November futures gained 13.5 cents to \$9.1950, with January futures up 13 cents to \$9.3250.

Soybean basis bids were mixed today, jumping 6 to 15 cents higher at two interior river terminals but slumping 4 to 8 cents lower at two other Midwestern locations today. The 2019 soybean harvest also kicked off this past week, with 7% now complete. That's well behind 2018's pace of 22% and the five-year average of 20%. Only 55% of the crop is even dropping leaves, compared to the prior five-year average of 76%.

Quality-wise, 55% of the soybean crop is now rated in good-to-excellent condition, up a point from last week. Another 32% is rated fair (down a point from last week), with the remaining 13% rated poor or very poor (unchanged from a week ago). That puts current yield potential right around 50 bushels per acre.

Brazil exported 163.5 million bushels of soybeans in September. The total was down slightly year-over-year and 16% below the country's tally in August.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 324,104 contracts, ticking above Monday's final count of 285,299.

South African Futures Exchange

	Soybean Future								
	мтм	Vols	Parity Change	Market Price					
Sep 2019									
Dec 2019	R 6 022.00	14%		R 6 022.00					
Mar 2020	R 5 971.00	0%		R 5 971.00					
May 2020	R 5 740.00	17%		R 5 740.00					
Jul 2020	R 5 766.00	0%		R 5 766.00					
Sep 2020	R 5 808.00	0%		R 5 808.00					
Dec 2020									

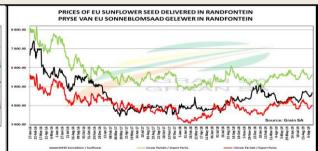
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The local Soya market traded higher yesterday. The Dec'19 Soya contract ended R60.00 up and Mar'20 Soya closed R59.00 higher. The parity move for the Dec'19 Soya contract for yesterday was R65.00 positive.

The local Suns market closed higher yesterday. The Dec'19 Suns contract closed R63.00 up and Mar'20 Suns closed R63.00 higher.









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