



**Fundamental Report**  
**07 November 2019**

## Financial Markets

### Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	14.8417	14.8380	-0.0037	-0.02%
Euro/Rand	16.4584	16.4086	-0.0498	-0.30%
GBPound/Rand	19.1113	19.0464	-0.0649	-0.34%
AusDollar/Rand	10.2423	10.1848	-0.0575	-0.56%
Euro/USDollar	1.1090	1.1058	-0.0032	-0.29%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2881	1.2842	-0.0039	-0.30%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.6901	0.6864	-0.0037	-0.54%
JpyYen/USDollar	108.9400	108.6900	-0.2500	-0.23%

BDLive - The JSE closed higher for a sixth consecutive trading session on Wednesday, while global markets were mixed as investors await more developments in the US-China trade war.

Traders remained in wait-and-see mode on Wednesday as the US and China are expected to sign a partial deal in the coming weeks. Markets were boosted earlier this week following reports that China is pressuring the US to drop some of the tariffs imposed on its imports.

"We are still seeing plenty of trade-war headlines with China, it seems, looking to capitalise on [US President Donald] Trump's desire to secure a phase one agreement by demanding the removal of more tariffs," Oanda senior market analyst Craig Erlam said. "The question is whether these late requests could derail the deal so late in the day."



### Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	929.10	-0.07	-0.01%
Gold	1491.00	0.64	0.04%
Silver	17.63	0.01	0.03%
Copper	2.67	0.00	0.04%
Gasoil	583.50	-3.25	-0.56%
Brent Oil	61.69	-0.05	-0.08%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold prices edged higher on Wednesday, after falling over 1% in the previous session, as investors took a step back from riskier assets in the absence of concrete developments on the US-China trade front.

Spot gold rose 0.1% to \$1,485.73/oz at 5am GMT. On Tuesday, prices registered their biggest one-day percentage drop since late-September, at 1.7% due to a stronger dollar and higher bond yields.

US gold futures were up 0.2% at \$1,487.40/oz.

"Equities are off a little bit, bonds yields are also down, these factors are helping gold," AxiTrader market strategist Stephen Innes said, adding there was also some short-covering.



### Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	51410.32	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	51569.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	3074.62	2.16	0.07%
FTSE	7388.08	8.57	0.12%
CAC	5866.74	0.00	0.00%
DAX	13179.89	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	27688.64	-102.04	-0.37%



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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	383.00	378.75	-3.00	-4.25	378.25	-0.50	-4.75
MAR 2010	392.00	387.75	-4.00	-4.25	387.25	-0.50	-4.75
MAY 2010	398.00	394.75	-3.75	-3.25	394.25	-0.50	-3.75
JUL 2010	404.00	400.75	-4.00	-3.25	400.50	-0.25	-3.50
SEP 2010	399.00	396.75	-2.00	-2.25	396.50	-0.25	-2.50

FarmFutures - Corn prices retreated again on more technical selling prompted by harvest pressure and worries over sluggish exports. December futures dropped another 3 cents to \$3.7875, with March futures down 4 cents to \$3.8775.

Corn basis bids were largely steady across the central U.S. Tuesday but were narrowly mixed at a handful of locations, moving as much as 2 cents in either direction today.

Ahead of Friday's WASDE report from USDA, analysts are expecting the agency to lower its corn production estimates from 13.779 billion bushels in October down to 13.643 billion bushels, on average yields of 167.5 bushels per acre across 81.455 million acres.

Ethanol production reached a daily average of 1.014 million barrels for the week ending November 4, rising for a fourth-straight week. January ethanol futures were down almost 0.5% this afternoon, to \$1.382.

The European Commission fractionally raised its monthly estimates for 2019/20 EU corn production to 2.622 billion bushels and left corn import estimates unchanged, at 669.3 million bushels.

November updates to the Ag Economy Barometer from Purdue University / CME Group shows farmer sentiment about current and future economic conditions are on the mend, rising 15 points from October to 136. Click here to learn more about what farmers are saying about land values, rental rates, the trade war with China and more.

Several South Korean groups purchased a total of 7.9 million bushels of corn in a series of private deals. The grain can be sourced from optional origins and is for shipment in December and January.

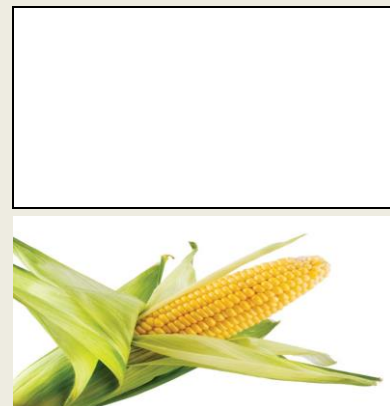
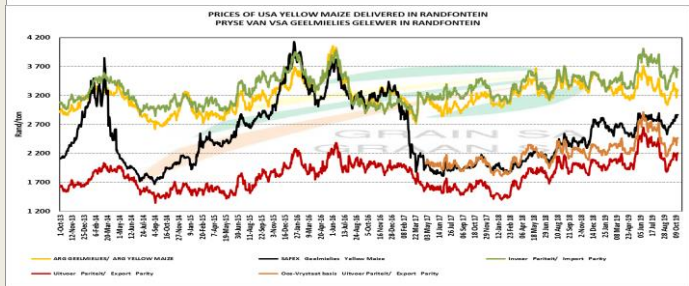
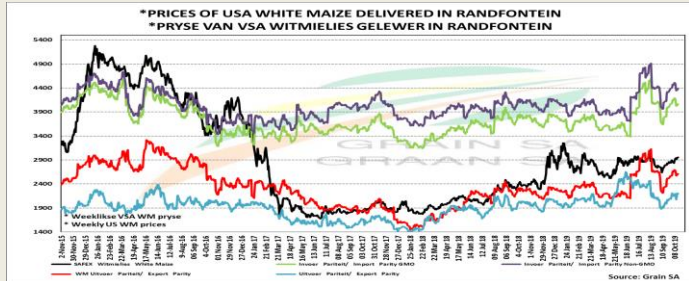
Preliminary volume estimates were for 327,806 contracts, up moderately from Tuesday's final count of 278,604.



### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>White Maize Future</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 2 692.00	24.75%	R -28.30	R 2 663.70
Mar 2020	R 2 722.00	34%		R 2 722.00
May 2020	R 2 633.00	0%		R 2 633.00
Jul 2020	R 2 658.00	32.5%		R 2 658.00
Sep 2020	R 2 718.00	0%		R 2 718.00
Dec 2020	R 2 797.00	29%		R 2 797.00
<b>Yellow Maize Future</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 2 683.00	22.5%	R -28.30	R 2 654.70
Mar 2020	R 2 690.00	21.5%		R 2 690.00
May 2020	R 2 628.00	0%		R 2 628.00
Jul 2020	R 2 624.00	20%		R 2 624.00
Sep 2020	R 2 685.00	0%		R 2 685.00
Dec 2020	R 2 766.00	0%		R 2 766.00

The local Maize market traded lower yesterday. The Dec'19 WMAZ contract ended R29.00 down and Dec'19 YMAZ closed R14.00 lower. The Mar'20 WMAZ closed lower by R27.00 and Mar'20 YMAZ ended R12.00 down. The parity move for the Dec'19 Maize contract for yesterday was R27.00 negative.



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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	516.00	516.75	1.50	0.75	516.25	-0.50	0.25	DEC 2019	429.00	427.75	-0.75	-1.25	427.25	-0.50	-1.75
MAR 2010	521.00	521.50	1.25	0.50	521.50	0.00	0.50	MAR 2010	440.00	437.75	-1.75	-2.25	437.25	-0.50	-2.75
MAY 2010	526.00	525.75	1.25	-0.25	525.50	-0.25	-0.50	MAY 2010	448.00	445.75	-1.75	-2.25	444.50	-1.25	-3.50
JUL 2010	530.00	530.00	1.00	0.00	529.50	-0.50	-0.50	JUL 2010	455.00	453.25	-1.75	-1.75	451.75	-1.50	-3.25
SEP 2010	537.00	536.50	0.75	-0.50	0.00	-536.50	-537.00	SEP 2010	463.75	462.00	-1.75	-1.75	460.25	-1.75	-3.50



FarmFutures - Wheat prices were mixed as traders await the next round of supply and demand data from USDA Friday morning. December Chicago SRW futures rose 1.5 cents to \$5.1675, December Kansas City HRW future slipped 1.25 cents to \$4.2725, and December MGEX spring wheat futures dropped 2.75 cents to \$5.23.

The European Commission raised its monthly estimate for 2019/20 EU wheat production to 5.401 billion bushels. The Commission also expects higher EU wheat exports this marketing year, reaching 955.3 million bushels. Russia hopes to increase its wheat production for 2020/21, with an estimated forecast of 2.928 billion bushels. Some predictions of a mild winter in Russia could help boost overall grain production.

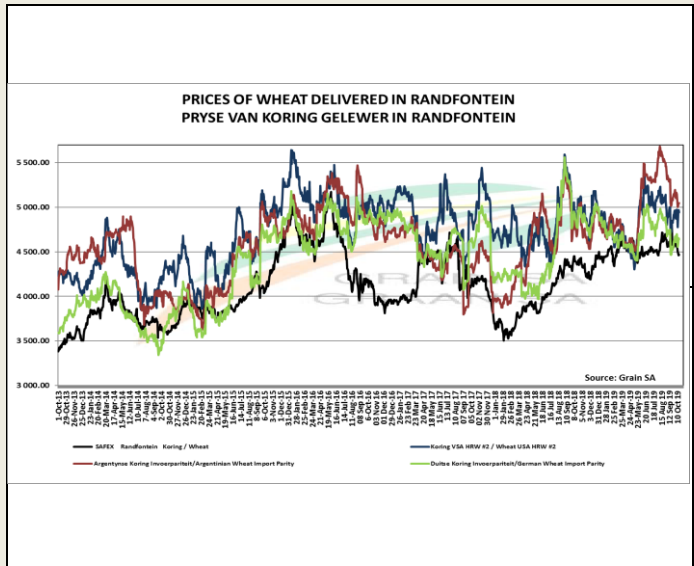
China sold another 1.7 million bushels of its state wheat reserves at auction earlier today, which was 1.5% of the total available for sale.

Brazil has enacted a tariff-free import quota for more than 27.5 million bushels of wheat, which could benefit producers from the U.S., Canada and Russia.

Preliminary volume estimates reached 109,432 CBOT contracts, finishing 25% higher than Tuesday's final count of 87,816.

### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>Bread Milling Wheat</b>				
Sep 2019				
Dec 2019	R 4 384.00	11%	R 0.66	R 4 384.66
Mar 2020	R 4 496.00	7.75%		R 4 496.00
May 2020	R 4 582.00	0%		R 4 582.00
Jul 2020	R 4 642.00	0%		R 4 642.00
Sep 2020	R 4 677.00	0%		R 4 677.00
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 R26.00 down and Mar'20 Wheat closed R27.00 lower. The parity move for the Dec'19 Wheat contract for yesterday was R1.00 positive.



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## 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	921.00	915.00	-6.75	-6.00	915.50	0.50
JAN 2010	934.00	927.50	-6.75	-6.50	927.75	0.25
MAR 2010	947.00	940.75	-6.50	-6.25	940.75	0.00
MAY 2010	959.00	952.75	-6.25	-6.25	952.25	-0.50
JUL 2010	969.00	963.25	-6.00	-5.75	963.00	-0.25

CBOT Soybean Meal		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
DEC 2019	298.9	300.00
JAN 2010	301.3	302.30
MAR 2010	304.9	305.80
MAY 2010	308.8	309.50
JUL 2010	312.9	313.00

CBOT Soybean Oil		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
DEC 2019	31.75	31.59
JAN 2010	31.96	31.81
MAR 2010	32.22	32.07
MAY 2010	32.53	32.38
JUL 2010	32.81	32.69



FarmFutures - Soybean prices followed corn lower on some technical selling partly spurred by harvest pressure and worries over delays to U.S.-China trade relations. November and January futures were both down 6.75 cents to close at \$9.15 and \$9.2750, respectively.

Soybean basis bids rose 1 to 5 cents higher at a handful of Midwestern locations Tuesday but held steady in most areas today.

Ahead of Friday's WASDE report from USDA, analysts are expecting the agency to lower its soybean production estimates from 3.550 billion bushels in October down to 3.510 billion bushels, on average yields of 46.6 bushels per acre across 75.422 million acres. Farmers reporting to Feedback From The Field last week continue to see a wide range of soybean yield potential, ranging from 25 bushels per acre to 70 bpa. Click here to read the latest round of farmer anecdotes and view our interactive map to find out what's happening in your area.

The U.S. and China are continuing to discuss terms and a venue to sign phase one of a trade deal between the two countries, with concerns mounting that this will be delayed until December or longer. China has also been pushing for more tariff rollbacks, but this move may not hamper progress toward an interim deal.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 145,872 contracts, trending slightly above Tuesday's final count of 139,401.

### South African Futures Exchange

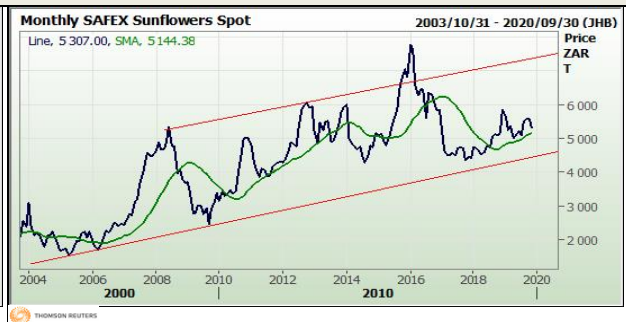
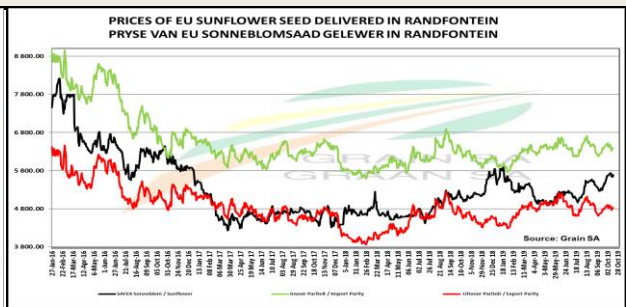
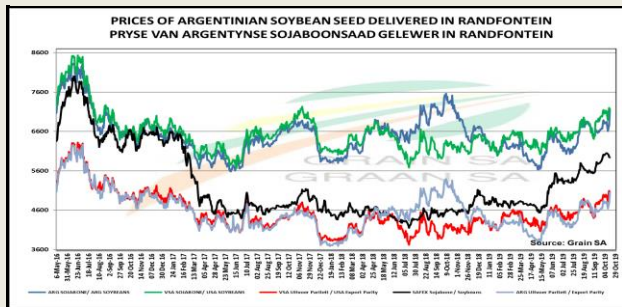
Soybean Future			
	MTM	Vols	Market Price
Sep 2019			
Dec 2019	R 6 023.00	14%	R 6 023.00
Mar 2020	R 6 014.00	0%	R 6 014.00
May 2020	R 5 925.00	17%	R 5 925.00
Jul 2020	R 5 975.00	20.5%	R 5 975.00
Sep 2020	R 6 033.00	0%	R 6 033.00
Dec 2020	R 6 065.00	0%	R 6 065.00

Sunflower Seeds Future			
	MTM	Vols	Market Price
Sep 2019			
Dec 2019	R 5 350.00	16%	R 5 350.00
Mar 2020	R 5 440.00	0%	R 5 440.00
May 2020	R 5 400.00	13.5%	R 5 400.00
Jul 2020	R 5 434.00	0%	R 5 434.00
Sep 2020			
Dec 2020	R 5 613.00	0%	R 5 613.00



The local Soya market traded higher yesterday. The Dec'19 Soya contract ended R34.00 up and Mar'20 Soya closed R35.00 higher. The parity move for the Dec'19 Soya contract for yesterday was R30.00 negative.

The local Suns market closed lower yesterday. The Dec'19 Suns contract closed R71.00 down and Mar'20 Suns closed R38.00 lower.



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