

# Fundamental Report 03 December 2019



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## **Financial Markets**

#### **Currencies**

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	14.6818	14.5261	-0.1557	-1.06%
Euro/Rand	16.1739	16.0922	-0.0817	-0.51%
GBPound/Rand	18.9469	18.7948	-0.1521	-0.80%
AusDollar/Rand	9.9601	9.9257	-0.0344	-0.35%
Euro/USDollar	1.1014	1.1076	0.0062	0.56%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2907	1.2939	0.0032	0.25%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.6784	0.6833	0.0049	0.72%
JpyYen/USDollar	109.6300	109.1800	-0.4500	-0.41%

BDLive - The JSE closed lower on Monday, tracking European markets, while locally telecoms stocks fell after the Competition Commission said mobile operators could be prosecuted if they kept overcharging for data.

The commission's data-services market inquiry said in its report issued on Monday that MTN and Vodacom's data prices do not cater for poor South Africans.

MTN closed 6.4% lower at R86.46, after reaching a nine-month low in intraday trade. Vodacom fell 5% to R115.07,

'The strategy in SA for the two dominant operators has been to maintain the high pricing levels of 30-day prepaid data bundles, despite headline price reductions by challenger networks," the commission reported.



#### **Commodities**

	Last	Value Change	% Change	
Platinum	897.82	0.24	0.03%	
Gold	1461.80	-0.60	-0.04%	
Silver	16.91	0.01	0.05%	
Copper	2.65	0.00	0.08%	
Gasoil	572.00	-3.00	-0.52%	
Brent Oil	61.07	0.15	0.25%	

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold fell on Monday after better-than-expected manufacturing data from China assuaged fears of a slowdown in global growth while deficit-ridden autocatalyst metal palladium soared to a record high.

Spot gold was down 0.4% to \$1,457.98/oz by 11.31am GMT. US gold futures fell 0.6% to \$1,463.90/oz.

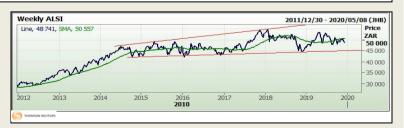
Data showing growth in factory activity during November in China, the world's second-largest economy and biggest gold consumer, pushed up equity markets.

"At least in the short-term, this kind of data will keep gold prices in check," said Julius Baer analyst Carsten Menke



### **Financials**

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	48609.00	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	48741.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	3140.98	-27.11	-0.86%
FTSE	7346.53	-60.59	-0.82%
CAC	5786.74	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12964.68	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	26444 72	-37 96	-0 14%



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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	373.00	373.50	2.25	0.50	373.50	0.00	0.50
MAR 2020	382.00	382.00	0.75	0.00	382.50	0.50	0.50
MAY 2020	386.00	386.50	0.75	0.50	386.75	0.25	0.75
JUL 2020	390.00	390.25	0.00	0.25	390.50	0.25	0.50
SEP 2020	387.00	387.75	-0.25	0.75	388.50	0.75	1.50



FarmFutures - Corn prices fought for modest gains Monday amid some choppy technical maneu-vering, although USDA turned in another round of tepid export inspection data this morning. December futures added 2.25 cents to \$3.7350, with March futures up 0.75 cents to \$3.82. Corn basis bids firmed by 5 cents at an lowa ethanol plant and 3 cents at an Ohio processor Monday, holding steady elsewhere across the Midwest today. Corn export inspections reached 16.9 million bushels for the week ending Novem-ber 28, which were in the middle of trade estimates and slightly ahead of the prior week's tally. Mexico accounted for more than half of the total, with Honduras and Ja-pan rounding out the top three destinations last week.

Ahead of this afternoon's USDA crop progress report, analysts expect the agency to show corn harvest moving from 80% a week ago up to 84% for the week ending De-cember 1. Some winter weather this past week across the Northern Plains and up-per Midwest likely hampered progress over a large geography last week.

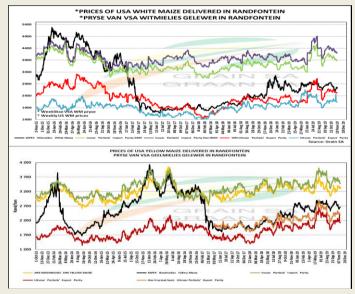
Ukraine's corn exports have reached 295.3 million bushels since July 1. The count-try's total grain exports for 2019/20 are up 32% from a year ago as it remains a top global contender for both corn and wheat exports. Brazil's corn exports topped 166.4 million bushels in November, tracking noticeably lower month-over-month but up more than 17% from a year ago. Farmers reporting to Feedback From The Field have seen decent corn yields, on average. Respondents saw yields in November coming in at 167.4 bushels per acre, just above USDA's latest estimates of 167 bpa. Click here to read the latest round of farmer anecdotes and view our interactive map, and click this link to tell us what's happening in your area.

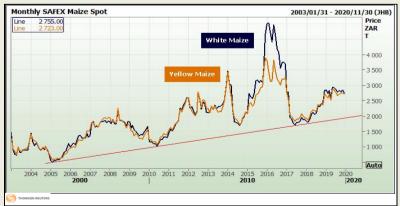
Preliminary volume estimates were for 233,194 contracts, up slightly from last Fri-day's final count of 214,689.

#### **South African Futures Exchange**

	мтм	Volatility Parity		Parity Price						
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White Maize Future										
Sep 2019										
Dec 2019	R 2 755.00	0%	R -20.00	R 2 735.00						
Mar 2020	R 2 798.00	36%	R -20.56	R 2777.44						
May 2020	R 2 692.00	0%	R -19.37	R 2 672.63						
Jul 2020	R 2 667.00	32.5%	R -21.05	R 2 645.95						
Sep 2020	R 2 755.00	0%	R -15.14	R 2 739.86						
Dec 2020	R 2805.00	29%		R 2 805.00						
Yellow Maize Future										
Sep 2019										
Dec 2019	R 2723.00	0%	R -20.00	R 2 703.00						
Mar 2020	R 2 746.00	24%	R -20.56	R 2 725.44						
May 2020	R 2 645.00	0%	R -19.37	R 2 625.63						
Jul 2020	R 2616.00	19.5%	R -21.05	R 2 594.95						
Sep 2020	R 2 672.00	0%	R -15.14	R 2 656.86						
Dec 2020	R 2 749.00	0%		R 2 749.00						

The local Maize market traded lower yesterday. The Dec'19 WMAZ contract ended R86.00 down and Dec'19 YMAZ closed R22.00 lower. The Mar'20 WMAZ closed lower by R83.00 and Mar'20 YMAZ ended R13.00 down. The parity move for the Dec'19 Maize contract for yesterday was R18.00 negative.







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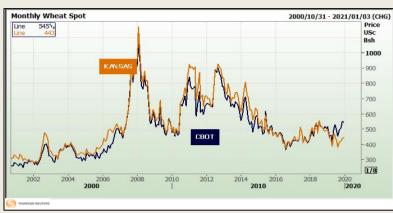
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## Wheat Market

#### **Chicago Board of Trade and Kansas Board of Trade**

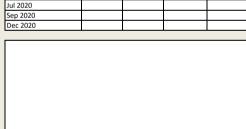
	CBOT Wheat					KBOT Wheat									
Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Main Session Change	Main Session Change from 12pm	Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm	Month	Yesterday 12pm	Main Session Close	Main Session Change	Main Session Change from 12pm	Current Overnight	Overnight Change from Main Session	Overnight Change from 12pm
DEC 2019	548.00	543.25	-4.25	-4.75	545.25	2.00	-2.75	DEC 2019	442.00	437.25	-1.50	-4.75	440.25	3.00	-1.75
MAR 2020	541.00	535.25	-6.50	-5.75	537.25	2.00	-3.75	MAR 2010	444.00	439.25	-7.75	-4.75	442.50	3.25	-1.50
MAY 2020	544.00	539.00	-5.75	-5.00	541.00	2.00	-3.00	MAY 2010	452.00	447.50	-7.50	-4.50	450.00	2.50	-2.00
JUL 2020	542.00	538.75	-4.00	-3.25	540.50	1.75	-1.50	JUL 2010	458.00	454.00	-7.25	-4.00	457.50	3.50	-0.50
SEP 2020	546.00	544.50	-3.25	-1.50	529.00	-15.50	-17.00	SEP 2010	466.00	462.50	-6.50	-3.50	466.00	3.50	0.00

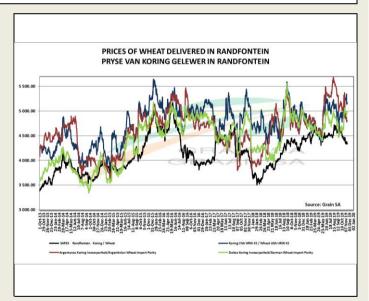


FarmFutures - Wheat prices shrank on a round of profit-taking after reaching multi-month highs last week, although production concerns across widespread areas including France, Russia and Australia – as well as another year of lower acres in the U.S. – kept prices from slipping too low. A lackluster round of export inspection data from USDA this morning certainly did no favors in the meantime. December Chicago SRW futures fell 4.25 cents to 55.4325, December Kansas City HRW futures fell 6.5 cents to \$4.3225, and December MGEX spring wheat futures lost 5 cents to \$4.9275. Wheat export inspections were disappointing for the week ending November 28, falling nearly 42% below last week's tally to land just below 9.0 million bushels. An-alysts were expecting a more robust total, with an average guess of 18.4 million bushels. Japan was the No. 1 destination, with 1.8 million bushels. In Australia, the country's agricultural bureau has sliced its 2019/20 wheat esti-mates by almost 20% after drought continues to hamper production. Its latest esti-mates are only for \$82.4 million bushels – the lowest tally in 11 years, if realized, and 35% below the 10-year average. But Ukraine grain exports are up 32% so far year-over-year, anchored by robust wheat exports of 496 million bushels since July. Preliminary volume estimates were for 108,698 CBOT contracts, down fractionally from Friday's final count of 109,643.

#### **South African Futures Exchange**

	МТМ	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price					
Bread Milling Wheat									
Sep 2019									
Dec 2019	R 4 386.00	0%	R -46.03	R 4 339.97					
Mar 2020	R 4 500.00	8.5%	R -50.97	R 4 449.03					
May 2020	R 4 571.00	15.5%	R -47.13	R 4 523.87					
Jul 2020	R 4 607.00	0%	R -39.01	R 4 567.99					
Sep 2020	R 4 608.00	0%	R -121.97	R 4 486.03					
Dec 2020									
Cape Wheat									
Sep 2019									
Dec 2019									
Mar 2020									
May 2020									
Jul 2020									
Sep 2020									
Dec 2020									







The local Weat market closed lower yesterday. The Dec'19 Weat contract closed R9.00 down and Mar'20 Weat closed R9.00 lower. The parity move for the Dec'19 Weat contract for yesterday was R44.00 negative.



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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	Overnight Change from 12pm		
JAN 2010	881.00	870.50	-6.25	-10.50	902.00	31.50	21.00		
MAR 2020	895.00	885.25	-6.00	-9.75	888.50	3.25	-6.50		
MAY 2020	910.00	900.25	-5.50	-9.75	903.75	3.50	-6.25		
JUL 2020	923.00	913.50	-4.75	-9.50	917.25	3.75	-5.75		
AUG 2020	927.00	918.50	-4.50	-8.50	920.75	2.25	-6.25		



CBOT Soybean Meal						
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight				
DEC 2019	291.3	292.70				
JAN 2010	293.5	294.70				
MAR 2010	297	298.10				
MAY 2010	301	302.00				
JUL 2010	305.1	306.00				

CBOT Soybean Oil						
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight				
DEC 2019	29.96	30.01				
JAN 2010	30.16	30.25				
MAR 2010	30.45	30.53				
MAY 2010	30.79	30.86				
JUL 2010	31.11	31.17				

FarmFutures - Soybean prices sputtered as a U.S.-China trade deal is increasingly unlikely to be penned in 2019, and as South American forecasts continue to turn out favorable weather for Brazil and Argentina soybean production. January futures dropped 6.25 cents to \$8.7050, with March futures down 6 cents to \$8.8525. Soybean basis bids were steady to mixed Monday, falling 5 to 10 cents lower at two Midwestern processors while firming 1 to 3 cents higher at three other locations across the central U.S. today. Low prices have kept farmer sales generally sup-pressed in recent weeks. Soybean export inspections retreated 21% from a week ago but still managed a solid 56.9 million bushels for the week ending September 28. China accounted for nearly half, with 25.2 million bushels. Thailand, Mexico, Spain and Pakistan rounded out the top five last week. Ahead of this afternoon's crop progress report from USDA, analysts expect the agency to show soybean harvest at 97% complete as of December 1, up from 94% a veek ago. These days, it can be hard to pin down a timeline on when a phase one trade deal night be signed between the U.S. and China, but a former Chinese vice minister is suggesting he deal might not be signed until just ahead of the Chinese New Year, which doesn't occur intil the end of January. "Rolling back tariffs levied by the U.S. is a must" by then, he says. Just 9 out of 25 experts recently surveyed think a trade deal will be inked yet in 2019. Preliminary volume estimates were for 245,407 contracts, more than doubling Fri-day's final count of 122,781.

#### **South African Futures Exchange**

	Soybean Future							
	MTM	MTM Vols		MTM Vols Parity		Market Price		
Sep 2019			Change	Price				
Dec 2019	R 5 944.00	0%		R 5 944.00				
Mar 2020	R 5 984.00	17%	R -85.90	R 5 898.10				
May 2020	R 5 734.00	17%	R -85.42	R 5 648.58				
Jul 2020	R 5 835.00	20.5%	R -83.49	R 5 751.51				
Sep 2020	R 5 924.00	0%		R 5 924.00				
Dec 2020	R 5 999.00	0%		R 5 999.00				

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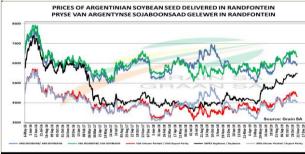


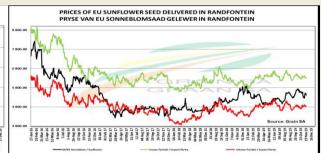
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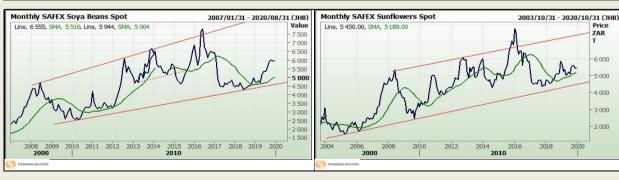
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The local Soya market traded lower yesterday. The Dec'19 Soya contract ended R10.00 down and Mar'20 Soya closed R11.00 lower. The parity move for the Dec'19 Soya contract for yesterday was R82.00 negative.

The local Suns market closed mixed yesterday. The Dec'19 Suns contract closed R36.00 up while Mar'20 Suns closed R4.00 lower.







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