



Fundamental Report
13 May 2020

Financial Markets

Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	18.3332	18.3842	0.0510	0.28%
Euro/Rand	19.8333	19.9471	0.1138	0.57%
GBPound/Rand	22.6053	22.5590	-0.0463	-0.20%
AusDollar/Rand	11.9019	11.8983	-0.0036	-0.03%
Euro/USDollar	1.0818	1.0851	0.0033	0.31%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2328	1.2270	-0.0058	-0.47%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.6490	0.6472	-0.0018	-0.28%
JpyYen/USDollar	107.5000	107.2000	-0.3000	-0.28%

BDLive - The JSE gained on Tuesday as the prospects of reviving economic activity in some countries grows and positive news about the US-China trade deal lifted global market sentiment.

China said on Tuesday that it will waive tariffs on 79 US goods for one year from May 19. China's foreign ministry said an initial trade deal would be beneficial for both economic super-powers. Peregrine Treasury Solutions executive director Bianca Botes said the waiver is "giving rise to market optimism regarding economic recovery", supporting the rand.

At 5.47pm, the rand had firmed 0.72% to R18.2697/\$ while it had weakened 23% so far this year according to data from Infront. It had firmed 0.16% to R19.8556/€ and 0.83% to R22.4829/£. The euro had strengthened 0.60% to \$1.0870.

The yield on the R2030 government bond was little changed at 9.32%. Bond yields move inversely to prices.



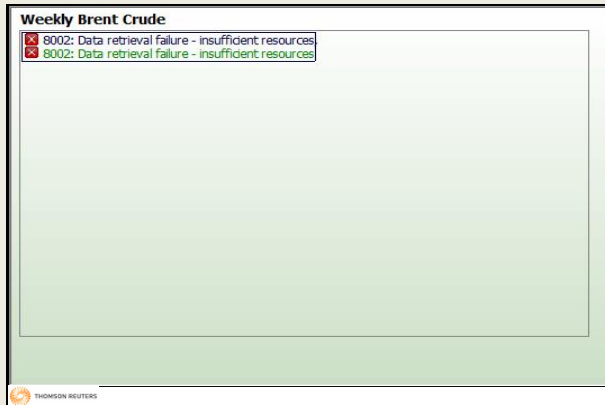
Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	764.42	10.78	1.41%
Gold	1701.85	-0.29	-0.02%
Silver	15.47	0.06	0.41%
Copper	2.35	-0.01	-0.49%
Gasoil	242.75	-7.25	-2.99%
Brent Oil	29.52	-0.46	-1.56%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold rose on Tuesday as the metal's safe-haven appeal was boosted by growing worries about a second wave of coronavirus infections after some countries reported a jump in new cases, though a stronger dollar capped the gains. Spot gold rose 0.1% to \$1,697.67 an ounce by 3.04am GMT, after falling for two straight sessions. US gold futures climbed 0.2% to \$1,701.80 an ounce.

The new wave of infections is "priced through the fact that markets are looking at negative US interest rates", ANZ analyst Daniel Hynes said, adding that the market was expecting some additional support from the Federal Reserve. However, "we have had a little bit of a rally in the US dollar which certainly crimps investor appetite".

The dollar index climbed to a more than two-week high against rivals on higher safe-haven demand and bond yields, making gold costlier for investors holding other currencies.



Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	46518.03	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	46645.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	2930.32	-60.20	-2.05%
FTSE	5939.73	55.04	0.93%
CAC	4472.50	0.00	0.00%
DAX	10819.50	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	24245.68	-38.80	-0.16%



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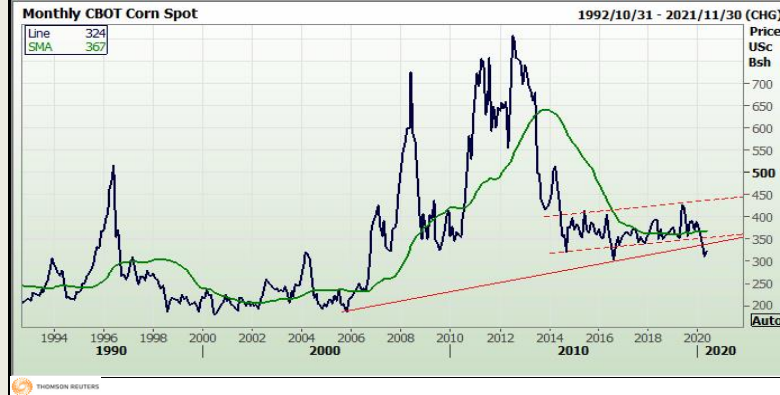
Corn / Maize Market

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
MAY 2020	319.00	323.75	-0.50	4.75	0.00	-323.75	-319.00
JUL 2020	318.00	322.25	-0.25	4.25	321.00	-1.25	3.00
SEP 2020	323.00	326.00	-0.50	3.00	325.25	-0.75	2.25
DEC 2020	334.00	335.75	-0.75	1.75	335.00	-0.75	1.00
MAR 2021	347.00	348.50	-0.50	1.50	348.00	-0.50	1.00

FarmFutures - Corn prices gained some momentum this afternoon after traders largely shrugged off a mixed bag of WASDE data and commenced with some technical buying and short-covering because some traders are still expecting a moderate shift to soybean acres this year. May futures climbed 5.25 cents to \$3.2375, while July futures added 3.75 cents to \$3.2225. Corn basis bids were steady to narrowly mixed Tuesday, moving 2 to 3 cents higher at two ethanol plants while softening as much as 2 cents lower at an Iowa processor today. USDA's WASDE outlook for corn includes the assumption of record-high production and domestic use, with rising exports. The net result will still be larger ending stocks, according to the agency. USDA also assumes a return to trendline yields, which are tracking at 178.5 bushels per acre this year. That could lead to an unprecedented production of 16.0 billion bushels this fall. Click here for our exclusive analysis of today's report. Corn planting progress is now at 67%, up from 51% a week ago and still well above the prior five-year average of 56%, per the latest USDA crop progress report, out Monday afternoon. A large portion of this total could be sourced from the U.S. as China works to uphold its phase-one trade agreement promises. In France, the country's farm ministry is expecting 11% more corn acres this year, with farmers switching away from winter cereals. Some areas were not able to plant those crops earlier this year due to "waterlogged fields," according to a ministry crop report.

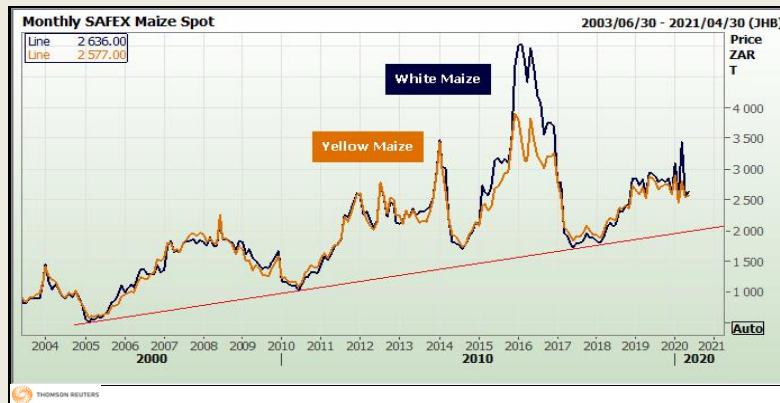
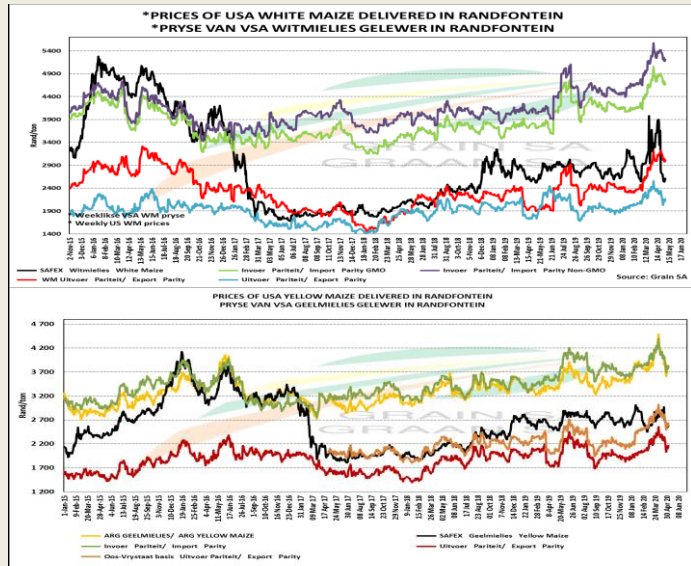
Preliminary volume estimates were for 325,055 contracts, nearly doubling Monday's final count of 168,758.



South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
White Maize Future				
May 2020	R 2 636.00	32%	R -2 302.36	R 333.64
Jul 2020	R 2 460.00	24%	R 28.10	R 2 488.10
Sep 2020	R 2 511.00	20%	R 22.77	R 2 533.77
Dec 2020	R 2 599.00	21.75%	R 13.94	R 2 612.94
Mar 2021	R 2 630.00	20%	R 14.20	R 2 644.20
May 2021				
Jul 2021	R 2 676.00	27%		R 2 676.00
Yellow Maize Future				
May 2020	R 2 577.00	26%	R -2 302.36	R 274.64
Jul 2020	R 2 589.00	22.5%	R 28.10	R 2 617.10
Sep 2020	R 2 635.00	18%	R 22.77	R 2 657.77
Dec 2020	R 2 715.00	20%	R 13.94	R 2 728.94
Mar 2021	R 2 746.00	19.5%	R 14.20	R 2 760.20
May 2021	R 2 745.00	0%		R 2 745.00
Jul 2021	R 2 743.00	18%		R 2 743.00

The local Maize market traded mixed yesterday. The May'20 WMAZ contract ended R4.00 up while May'20 YMAZ closed R25.00 lower. The Jul'20 WMAZ closed lower by R35.00 and Jul'20 YMAZ ended R26.00 down. The parity move for the May'20 Maize contract for yesterday was R47.00 positive.

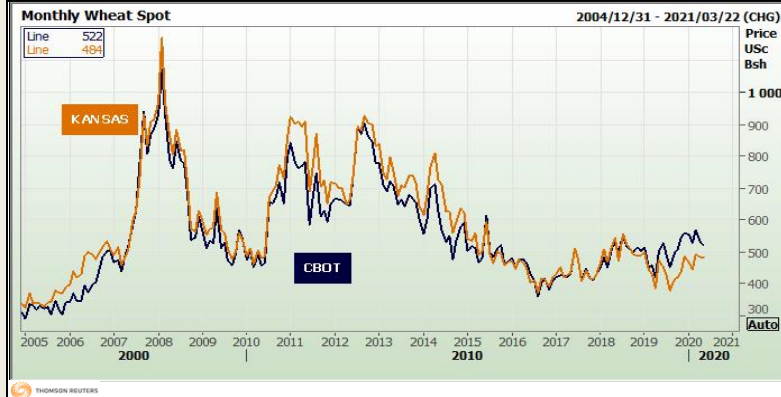


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Wheat Market

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
MAY 2020	520.50	521.75	6.25	1.25	0.00	-521.75	-520.50	MAY 2010	472.25	483.50	4.25	11.25	0.00	-483.50	-472.25
JUL 2020	513.00	514.50	5.50	1.50	510.50	-4.00	-2.50	JUL 2010	473.00	469.25	4.00	-3.75	466.00	-3.25	-7.00
SEP 2020	517.00	517.50	5.00	0.50	514.00	-3.50	-3.00	SEP 2010	480.00	476.25	4.00	-3.75	473.25	-3.00	-6.75
DEC 2020	527.00	527.50	3.75	0.50	524.25	-3.25	-2.75	DEC 2010	492.00	488.25	4.25	-3.75	485.00	-3.25	-7.00
MAR 2021	535.00	536.25	3.00	1.25	529.00	-7.25	-6.00	MAR 2011	502.00	499.25	4.25	-2.75	495.75	-3.50	-6.25

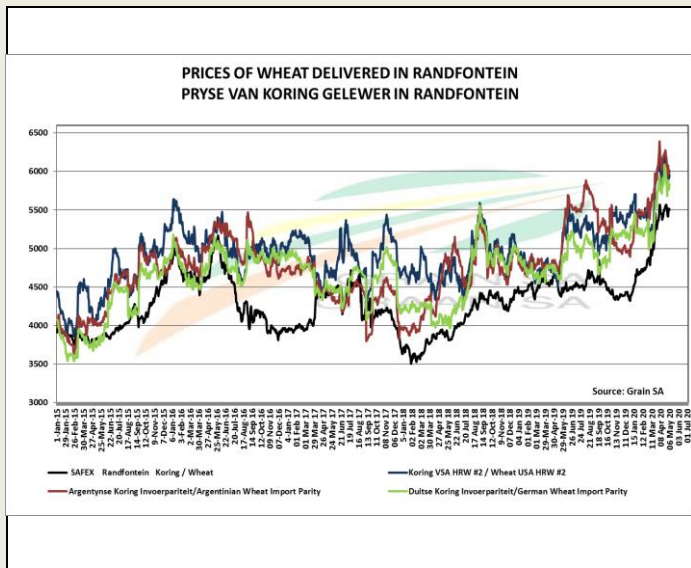


FarmFutures - Wheat prices were mixed following an uneven round of technical maneuvering, with bearish supply and demand data pushing winter wheat contracts moderately lower. July Chicago SRW futures fell 3 cents to \$5.1425, and July Kansas City HRW futures dropped 6.25 cents to \$4.6875. MGEX spring wheat contracts bucked the overall trend, with July futures picking up 2.25 cents to \$5.2075.

USDA's WASDE analysis this morning assumes smaller wheat supplies in 2020/21, along with decreased domestic use, lower exports and reduced stocks. Production is expected to drop 3% from a year ago to 1.866 billion bushels. USDA's all-wheat yield estimates are for 49.5 bushels per acre, which would be 2.2 bpa lower than last year's harvest, if realized. Click here for our full roundup of today's report. This year's spring wheat crop is now 42% planted, up from 29% a week ago. It's also an improvement from 2019's pace of 38% but still well behind the prior five-year average of 63%. And 16% of the crop is emerged, up from 6% last week and moderately trailing the prior five-year average of 29%. The grain would have been for shipment in October or November, and Jordan will likely issue a similar tender that closes next week. South Korea purchased nearly 2.5 million bushels of animal feed wheat from optional origins in a tender that closed earlier today. The grain is for arrival in late October. Preliminary volume estimates were for 99,744 CBOT contracts, moving slightly ahead of Monday's final count of 87,846.

South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
Bread Milling Wheat				
May 2020	R 5 515.00	12.5%	R -3 506.24	R 2 008.76
Jul 2020	R 5 450.00	18%	R -7.27	R 5 442.73
Sep 2020	R 5 225.00	0%	R -10.58	R 5 214.42
Dec 2020	R 4 893.00	11%	R -8.70	R 4 884.30
Mar 2021	R 4 997.00	0%	R -30.50	R 4 966.50
May 2021				
Jul 2021				
Cape Wheat				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				
Mar 2021				
May 2021				
Jul 2021				



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
MAY 2020	853.00	849.25	0.00	-3.75	902.00	52.75
JUL 2020	856.00	852.00	0.00	-4.00	851.25	-0.75
AUG 2020	857.00	853.50	0.00	-3.50	852.50	-1.00
SEP 2020	855.00	853.25	-0.50	-1.75	852.50	-0.75
NOV 2020	858.00	857.00	-0.25	-1.00	855.75	-1.25

CBOT Soybean Meal		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
MAY 2010	288.6	0.00
JUL 2010	292.1	292.10
AUG 2010	292.8	292.70
SEP 2010	294.1	293.80
OCT 2010	295	294.50

CBOT Soybean Oil		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
MAY 2010	25.98	0.00
JUL 2010	26.26	26.35
AUG 2010	26.45	26.55
SEP 2010	26.61	26.72
OCT 2010	26.77	0.00



FarmFutures - Soybean prices took a hit today from bearish WASDE data, although a large sale to China reported to China helped limit losses in a choppy session. May futures dropped 3 cents to \$8.4925, with July futures down 2.75 cents to \$8.5225. Soybean basis bids firmed a penny at an Ohio elevator today but remained steady elsewhere across the U.S. USDA's WASDE expectations for 2020/21 are for higher supplies, crush, exports and lower ending stocks from the prior year. The agency projects a 2020 soybean crop that's 568 million bushels larger than last year's harvest, reaching 4.125 billion bushels, based on increased harvest area and assuming trendline yields. Click here for our exclusive analysis of today's report. Soybean planting progress made significant headway this past week, moving from 23% to 38% - putting it far ahead of 2019's pace of 8% and the prior five-year average of 23%. Analysts were expecting an even bigger jump to 41%. Soybean emergence is also ahead of recent years after reaching 7% this week. That's well ahead of 2019's pace of 1% and the prior five-year average of 4%. Private exporters reported to USDA the sale of 5.0 million bushels of China for the 2019/20 marketing year, which ends August 31. China expects its 2020/21 soybean imports to rise 3% from a year ago, reaching 3.439 billion bushels. The country will need to step up purchases to meet that goal, however, after matching 26% of the total between January and April.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 164,799 contracts, moving slightly above Monday's final count of 151,356.

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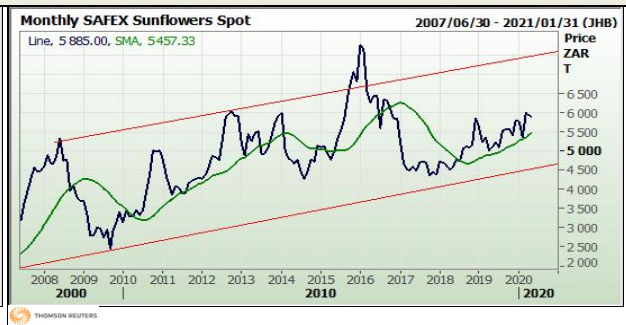
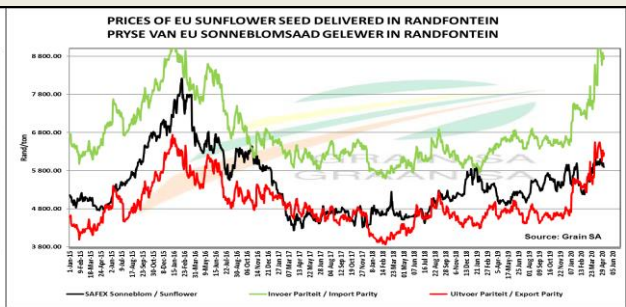
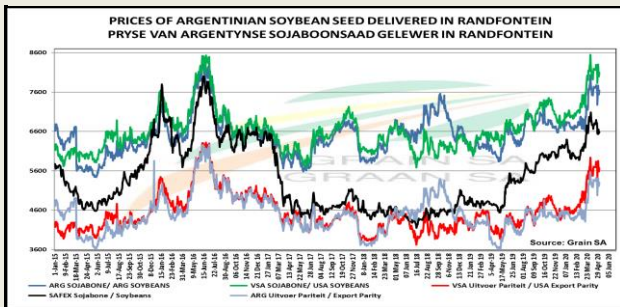
Soybean Future				
	MTM	Vols	Parity Change	Market Price
May 2020	R 6 617.00	28.25%	R 346.98	R 6 963.98
Jul 2020	R 6 657.00	21%	R -16.05	R 6 640.95
Sep 2020	R 6 747.00	14.75%	R -0.87	R 6 746.13
Dec 2020	R 6 837.00	15%		R 6 837.00
Mar 2021				
May 2021	R 6 310.00	0%		R 6 310.00
Jul 2021				

Sunflower Seeds Future		
	MTM	Vols
May 2020	R 5 885.00	19%
Jul 2020	R 5 990.00	19%
Sep 2020	R 6 110.00	0%
Dec 2020	R 6 198.00	15%
Mar 2021		
May 2021		
Jul 2021		



The local Soya market traded lower yesterday. The May'20 Soya contract ended R25.00 down and Jul'20 Soya closed R25.00 lower. The parity move for the May'20 Soya contract for yesterday was R16.00 positive.

The local Suns market closed higher yesterday. The May'20 Suns contract closed R31.00 up and Jul'20 Suns closed R19.00 higher.



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