



# **Fundamental Report**

## **30 July 2020**

## Financial Markets

### Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	16.4586	16.5797	0.1211	0.74%
Euro/Rand	19.3307	19.5266	0.1959	1.01%
GBPound/Rand	21.3413	21.5201	0.1788	0.84%
AusDollar/Rand	11.8173	11.9059	0.0886	0.75%
Euro/USDollar	1.1747	1.1777	0.0030	0.26%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2970	1.2986	0.0016	0.12%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.7180	0.7181	0.0001	0.01%
JpyYen/USDollar	104.9200	105.0300	0.1100	0.10%

BDLive - The JSE firmed for a third successive day on Wednesday, with gains by banks and Sasol making up for losses in other sectors, such as miners, which fared the worst on the day. Shares in chemical and energy group Sasol jumped the most in seven weeks after the group announced it has agreed to sell 16 air-separation units at its Secunda operation for R8.5bn in its drive to reduce debt.

The company announced it has entered into an agreement with French multinational Air Liquide for the sale of the units, which are the biggest oxygen production site in the world.

Sasol's share has lost more than half its value in 2020, with the group battered by cost overruns at its Lake Charles project in the US, and volatility in the oil price. The group reported that it had long-term debt of R121.28bn at its half-year to end-December 2019, and said in March that it is looking to preserve cash and sell off assets, while mulling a \$2bn (about R33bn) rights offer.



### Commodities

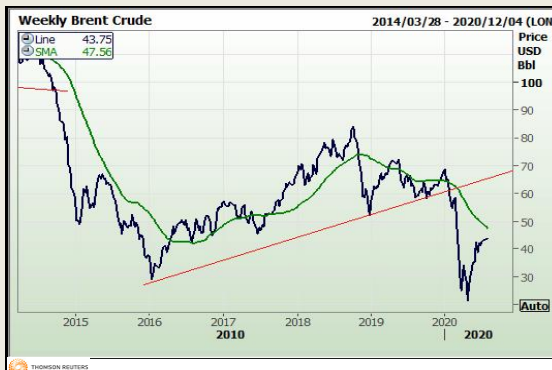
	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	926.81	2.55	0.28%
Gold	1963.67	-6.70	-0.34%
Silver	24.17	-0.23	-0.97%
Copper	2.93	0.01	0.22%
Gasoil	377.25	0.00	0.00%
Brent Oil	43.75	0.00	0.00%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold retreated on Wednesday as the dollar briefly halted its slide and investors booked profits after prices hit a record high in the last session, ahead of the US Federal Reserve's monetary policy decision.

Spot gold was down 0.4% at \$1,950.64/oz by 3.32am GMT. Prices hit a record high of \$1,980.57 on Tuesday. US gold futures rose 0.1% to \$1,947.10.

Gold is closely following moves in the dollar, which has halted its fall, said DailyFx currency strategist Ilya Spivak. "As we get closer to the Fed announcement and the event risk, the market will get a bit more wary," Spivak said.

The dollar index was little changed at 93.683, having touched its lowest level since June 2018 this week.



### Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	52245.75	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	52496.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	3218.44	40.00	1.24%
FTSE	6129.26	2.20	0.04%
CAC	4958.74	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12822.26	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	24883.14	285.71	1.15%



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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
SEP 2020	320.00	315.50	-0.50	-4.50	316.50	1.00	-3.50
DEC 2020	330.00	326.25	-0.25	-3.75	327.00	0.75	-3.00
MAR 2021	342.00	338.25	-0.50	-3.75	339.25	1.00	-2.75
MAY 2021	349.00	345.75	-0.75	-3.25	347.25	1.50	-1.75
JUL 2021	355.00	352.00	-0.50	-3.00	352.75	0.75	-2.25

FarmFutures - Corn prices faded throughout Wednesday's session, closing more than 1% lower on a round of technical selling spurred by favorable weather forecasts. September futures dropped 4.5 cents to \$3.1550, with December futures sliding 3.75 cents lower to \$3.2625.

Corn basis bids were steady to soft across the central U.S. Wednesday after dropping 1 to 9 cents lower at a handful of Midwestern locations. Farmer sales have been generally slow this week for those who feel they have adequate storage space for the upcoming harvest.

Ahead of Thursday morning's weekly export report from USDA, analysts expect the agency to show corn sales ranging between 23.6 million and 61.0 million bushels for the week ending July 23. Actuals will need to far exceed trade guesses to come anywhere close to the prior week's mammoth haul of 100.3 million bushels. Did you know that this year's Farm Progress Virtual Experience (FPVX) will include the most extensive field demonstrations in the history of both Farm Progress Show and Husker Harvest Days? Click here to learn more about this one-of-a-kind event.

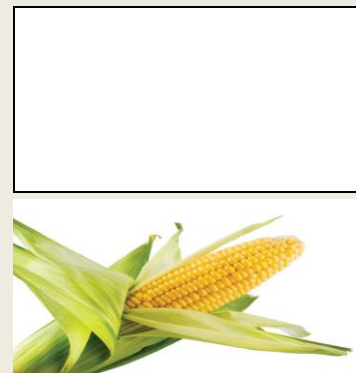
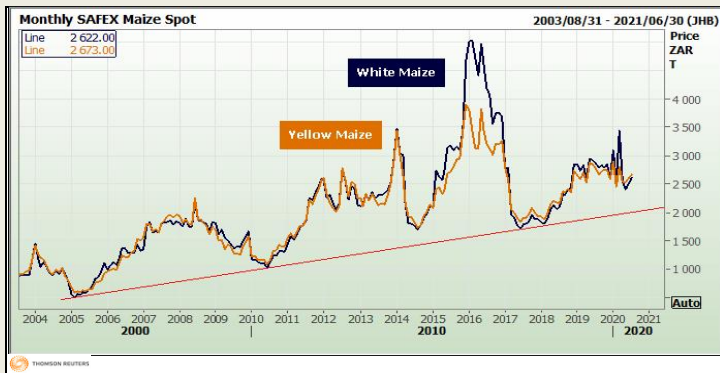
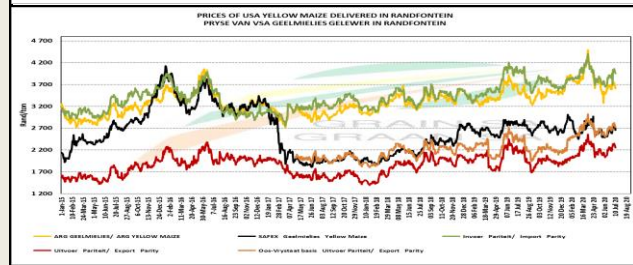
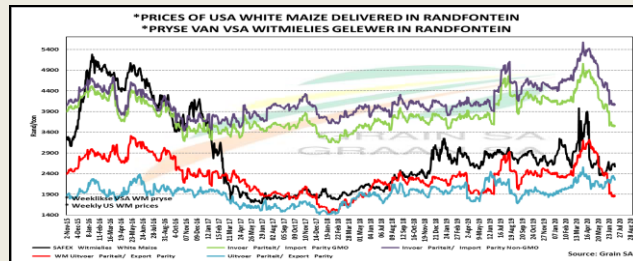
Preliminary volume estimates were for 317,183 contracts, climbing moderately above Tuesday's final count of 258,746.



### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>White Maize Future</b>				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020	R 2 637.00	20%	R -7.59	R 2 629.41
Dec 2020	R 2 723.00	22%	R -3.85	R 2 719.15
Mar 2021	R 2 733.00	24.5%	R -1.64	R 2 731.36
May 2021	R 2 655.00	0%	R 5.22	R 2 660.22
Jul 2021	R 2 658.00	24%	R 2.24	R 2 660.24
<b>Yellow Maize Future</b>				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020	R 2 708.00	19.75%	R -7.59	R 2 700.41
Dec 2020	R 2 790.00	19%	R -3.85	R 2 786.15
Mar 2021	R 2 793.00	19.5%	R -1.64	R 2 791.36
May 2021	R 2 678.00	0%	R 5.22	R 2 683.22
Jul 2021	R 2 670.00	18%	R 2.24	R 2 672.24

The local Maize market traded mixed yesterday. The Aug'20 WMAZ contract ended R20.00 up while Aug'20 YMAZ closed R2.00 lower. The Sep'20 WMAZ closed higher by R17.00 and Sep'20 YMAZ ended R5.00 up. The parity move for the Aug'20 Maize contract for yesterday was R6.00 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
SEP 2020	529.00	532.75	6.25	3.75	532.00	-0.75	3.00	SEP 2010	442.00	445.75	4.25	3.75	444.25	-1.50	2.25
DEC 2020	535.00	538.50	5.50	3.50	537.50	-1.00	2.50	DEC 2010	452.00	456.00	4.00	4.00	454.75	-1.25	2.75
MAR 2021	542.00	544.25	5.00	2.25	543.75	-0.50	1.75	MAR 2011	462.00	466.50	4.00	4.50	465.50	-1.00	3.50
MAY 2021	545.00	547.50	3.75	2.50	547.00	-0.50	2.00	MAY 2011	469.00	473.75	4.25	4.75	473.00	-0.75	4.00
JUL 2021	544.00	546.50	3.00	2.50	529.00	-17.50	-15.00	JUL 2011	475.00	479.75	4.25	4.75	478.75	-1.00	3.75



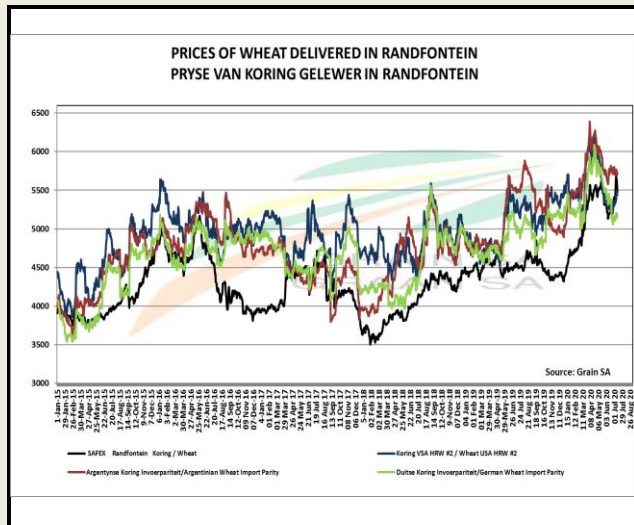
FarmFutures - Wheat prices jumped as much as 2% higher Wednesday on a round of technical buying and short-covering partly prompted by lower production estimates from Russia. Prices have been fairly volatile throughout the month of July but have been net-positive so far this month. Today, September Chicago SRW futures gained 9.5 cents to \$5.33, September Kansas City HRW futures added 8.75 cents to \$4.4550, and September MGEX spring wheat futures picked up 4.5 cents to \$5.1075.

Ahead of tomorrow's weekly export report from USDA, analysts expect another lackluster round of wheat sales, with estimates ranging between 9.2 million and 23.9 million bushels for the week ending July 23. Tunisia issued an international tender to purchase 2.8 million bushels of soft and durum wheat from optional origins, which closes July 30. The grain is for shipment between late September and mid-October.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 69,609 CBOT contracts, drifting below Tuesday's final count of 80,291.

### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>Bread Milling Wheat</b>				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020	R 5 274.00	11.5%	R 41.81	R 5 315.81
Dec 2020	R 4 807.00	11%	R 39.04	R 4 846.04
Mar 2021	R 4 887.00	0%	R 34.78	R 4 921.78
May 2021				
Jul 2021				
<b>Cape Wheat</b>				
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				
Mar 2021				
May 2021				
Jul 2021				



The local Wheat market closed higher yesterday. The Aug'20 Wheat contract closed R193.00 up and Sep'20 Wheat closed R130.00 higher. The parity move for the Aug'20 Wheat contract for yesterday was R39.00 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	Overnight Change from 12pm
AUG 2020	897.00	891.50	0.00	-5.50	902.00	10.50	5.00
SEP 2020	887.00	884.50	0.00	-2.50	883.75	-0.75	-3.25
NOV 2020	888.00	885.25	0.00	-2.75	884.75	-0.50	-3.25
JAN 2021	894.00	891.50	-0.50	-2.50	891.25	-0.25	-2.75
MAR 2021	891.00	889.50	-0.25	-1.50	889.00	-0.50	-2.00

CBOT Soybean Meal		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
AUG 2020	286.9	286.40
SEP 2020	289.9	289.40
OCT 2020	291.9	291.40
DEC 2020	295.8	295.10
JAN 2021	296.9	296.30

CBOT Soybean Oil		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
AUG 2020	29.67	29.73
SEP 2020	29.72	29.87
OCT 2020	29.77	29.91
DEC 2020	30.06	30.18
JAN 2021	30.26	30.33



FarmFutures - Soybean prices also fell on a round of technical selling prompted by favorable weather forecasts, although losses were minimized by expectations of a massive round of export sales in USDA's weekly report tomorrow morning. August futures dropped 4.5 cents to \$8.9225, with September futures down 2.25 cents to \$8.8550.

Soybean basis bids were mostly steady across the central U.S. Wednesday but did firm a penny higher at an Illinois river terminal while dropping 3 cents at an Indiana processor today.

Ahead of tomorrow morning's weekly export report from USDA, analysts expect the agency to show soybean sales ranging between 66.1 million and 91.9 million bushels for the week ending July 23. Actuals will need to land a bit higher than those estimates to match the prior week's total of 97.9 million bushels. And on the latest Midweek Markets podcast, we talked about the impressive run of soybean export sales over the past two weeks, discussed whether soybeans have a legitimate shot to reach trendline yields of 49.8 bushels per acre this fall and much more. Click here to listen to the podcast.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 197,651 contracts, tilting moderately below Tuesday's final count of 257,575.

## South African Futures Exchange

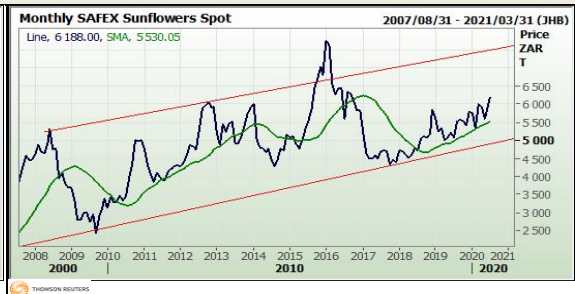
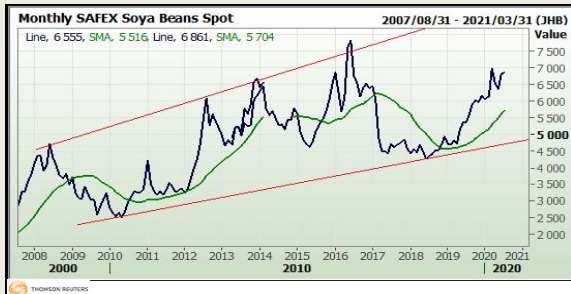
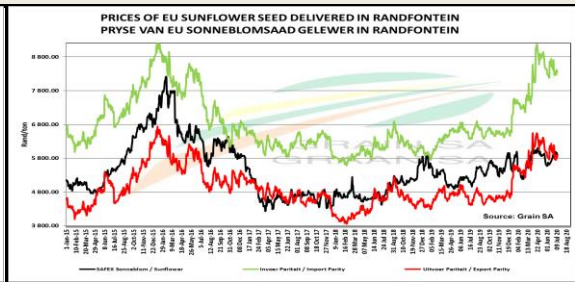
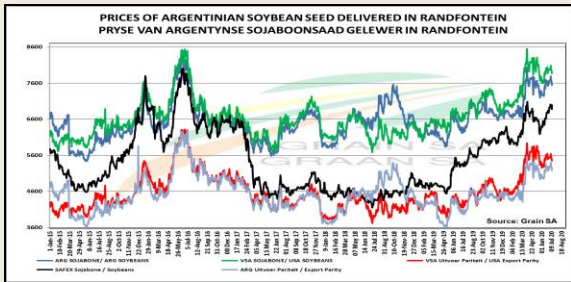
Soybean Future				
	MTM	Vols	Parity Change	Market Price
May 2020				
Jul 2020				
Sep 2020	R 6 906.00	15%	R 19.67	R 6 925.67
Dec 2020	R 6 939.00	15%		R 6 939.00
Mar 2021	R 6 698.00	14%	R 27.46	R 6 725.46
May 2021	R 6 290.00	17%		R 6 290.00
Jul 2021				

Sunflower Seeds Future		
	MTM	Vols
May 2020		
Jul 2020		
Sep 2020	R 6 260.00	11.5%
Dec 2020	R 6 364.00	15%
Mar 2021	R 6 281.00	0%
May 2021	R 5 920.00	0%
Jul 2021		



The local Soya market traded lower yesterday. The Aug'20 Soya contract ended R29.00 down and Sep'20 Soya closed R13.00 lower. The parity move for the Aug'20 Soya contract for yesterday was R11.00 positive.

The local Suns market closed higher yesterday. The Aug'20 Suns contract closed R5.00 up and Sep'20 Suns closed R4.00 higher.



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