

Fundamental Report 31 July 2020





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Financial Markets

Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	16.7845	16.7489	-0.0356	-0.21%
Euro/Rand	19.7264	19.9103	0.1839	0.93%
GBPound/Rand	21.8128	21.9857	0.1729	0.79%
AusDollar/Rand	12.0043	12.0543	0.0500	0.42%
Euro/USDollar	1.1754	1.1887	0.0133	1.13%
GBPound/USDollar	1.3002	1.3125	0.0123	0.95%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.7152	0.7197	0.0045	0.63%
JpyYen/USDollar	105.0300	104.3300	-0.7000	-0.67%

BDLive - The rand fell to its weakest level in three weeks on Thursday, while the JSE dropped in line with other global equities as investors worry about the prospects of the global economic recovery as the US posted its steepest contraction in 73 years.

At 5.21pm, the rand had weakened 2.05% to R16.8819/\$, 1.93% to R19.8830/€ and 2.4% to R21.9902/£. The euro lost 0.1% to \$1.1778. The local currency weakened to a three-week low of R16.94/\$ in intra-day trade, while it has lost about 17% so far this year, according to Infront data. US GDP shrunk by an annualised 32.9% in the second quarter of 2020, data showed no Thursday.

"The US economic recovery continues to show signs of weakness. The record fall with second-quarter GDP puts an exclamation mark on the coronavirus recession," said Oanda market analyst Edward Moya.





Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	902.55	-0.18	-0.02%
Gold	1970.66	11.16	0.57%
Silver	23.67	0.12	0.51%
Copper	2.92	0.01	0.29%
Gasoil	363.50	3.25	0.89%
Brent Oil	43.08	0.14	0.32%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold eased on Thursday after the US Federal Reserve's vow to support the coronavirus-ravaged economy buoyed risk sentiment, with market expectations for prices to breach the \$2,000 level facing resistance in the short term.

Spot gold was down 0.3% to \$1,964.70/oz by 3.29am GMT. US gold futures rose 0.3% to \$1,959.20.

This price action points to a garden-variety pullback — profit taking. In the short term, we might see any move higher above that (\$1,980) level, owards \$2,000, as something of a grind," IG Markets analyst Kyle Rodda said.

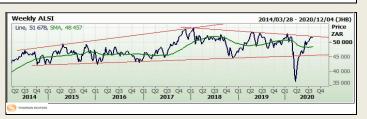
The slight retreat was mostly technical in nature, with gold failing to break above resistance around \$1,980, Rodda added.





Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	51451.44	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	51678.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	3258.44	-12.22	-0.38%
FTSE	6131.46	-141.47	-2.31%
CAC	4852.94	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12379.65	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	24710.59	-48.75	-0.20%



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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	316.00	315.75	-0.50	-0.25	316.75	1.00	0.75
DEC 2020	327.00	326.75	-0.25	-0.25	327.50	0.75	0.50
MAR 2021	339.00	338.25	-0.50	-0.75	339.00	0.75	0.00
MAY 2021	347.00	345.75	-0.75	-1.25	346.75	1.00	-0.25
JUL 2021	352.00	352.00	-0.50	0.00	352.75	0.75	0.75



FarmFutures - Corn prices saw fractional gains Thursday, but it is increasingly clear that traders are more concerned about weather forecasts right now and whether U.S. farmers will deliver trendline or higher yields this fall. That's because a record-breaking sale to China this morning was largely ignored, although that news kept prices in the green. September and December futures each picked up 0.25 cents to close at \$3.1575 and \$3.2650, respectively.

Corn basis bids were steady to mixed after rising 4 cents higher at three Midwestern locations and falling 2 cents lower at three other Midwestern locations on Thursday.

Private exporters reported to USDA the sale of 76.3 million bushels of corn for delivery to China during the 2020/21 marketing year, which begins September 1. It was the largest single-day corn sale to China on record. Private exporters reported a separate sale of 5.1 million bushels of corn for delivery to unknown destinations, also in 2020/21. Corn export shipments slipped 8% lower week-over-week and 15% below the prior four-week tally, with 38.2 million bushels. Mexico (14.2 million) and Japan (14.0 million) were the top two destinations.

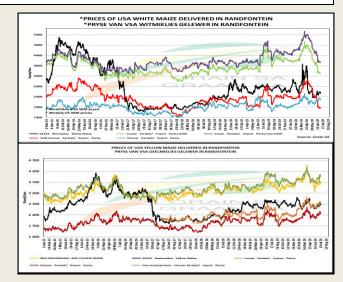
For the fourth consecutive month, the European Commission raised its estimates for EU corn production in 2020/21, now at 2.856 billion bushels.

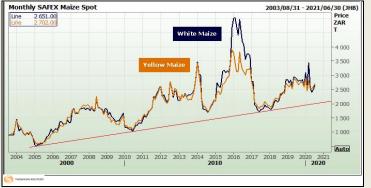
Preliminary volume estimates were for 274,605 contracts, tracking moderately lower than Wednesday's final count of 317,086.

South African Futures Exchange

	МТМ	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price					
White Maize Future									
May 2020									
Jul 2020									
Sep 2020	R 2 670.00	20%	R 0.52	R 2 670.52					
Dec 2020	R 2 753.00	23%	R -1.29	R 2 751.71					
Mar 2021	R 2 757.00	24.5%	R -4.75	R 2 752.25					
May 2021	R 2 655.00	0%	R -6.51	R 2 648.49					
Jul 2021	R 2 657.00	24%	R 0.01	R 2 657.01					
Yellow Maize Future									
May 2020									
Jul 2020									
Sep 2020	R 2 737.00	19.75%	R 0.52	R 2 737.52					
Dec 2020	R 2 823.00	19%	R -1.29	R 2 821.71					
Mar 2021	R 2816.00	19.5%	R -4.75	R 2811.25					
May 2021	R 2 678.00	0%	R -6.51	R 2 671.49					
Jul 2021	R 2 669.00	18%	R 0.01	R 2 669.01					

The local Maize market traded higher yesterday. The Aug'20 WMAZ contract ended R29.00 up and Aug'20 YMAZ closed R29.00 higher. The Sep'20 WMAZ closed higher by R33.00 and Sep'20 YMAZ ended R29.00 up. The parity move for the Aug'20 Maize contract for yesterday was R1.00 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	526.00	529.50	6.25	3.50	532.00	2.50	6.00	SEP 2010	440.00	440.00	4.25	0.00	442.00	2.00	2.00
DEC 2020	532.00	536.00	5.50	4.00	538.25	2.25	6.25	DEC 2010	450.00	450.50	4.00	0.50	452.25	1.75	2.25
MAR 2021	538.00	542.50	5.00	4.50	544.75	2.25	6.75	MAR 2011	461.00	460.75	4.00	-0.25	463.00	2.25	2.00
MAY 2021	542.00	545.75	3.75	3.75	548.00	2.25	6.00	MAY 2011	467.00	467.75	4.25	0.75	469.75	2.00	2.75
JUL 2021	542.00	545.00	3.00	3.00	529.00	-16.00	-13.00	JUL 2011	474.00	474.00	4.25	0.00	0.00	-474.00	-474.00



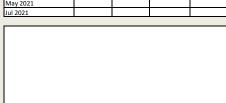
FarmFutures - Wheat prices were mixed but mostly lower in a round of uneven technical maneuvering. Winter wheat contracts pushed lower, with September Chicago SRW futures dropping 4 cents to \$5.2875 and September Kansas City HRW futures falling 6 cents to \$4.3975. MGEX spring wheat contracts bucked that trend, meantime, with September futures closing up 1.25 cents to \$5.1225

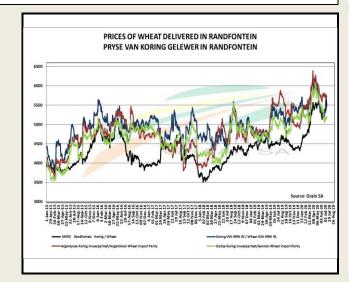
Wheat export sales climbed 10% above last week's pace and 30% above the prior four-week average to reach 24.9 million bushels. That also topped all trade estimates, which ranged between 9.2 million and 23.9 million bushels. Cumulative totals for the 2020/21 marketing year are slightly above last year's pace, with 144.4 million bushels. Wheat export shipments slipped 4% lower week-over-week and 2% below the prior four-week average, with 18.6 million bushels. Then the prior four-week average, with 18.6 million bushels. Japan hopes to buy 2.9 million bushels of feed wheat and 4.6 million bushels of feed barley in a simultaneous buy-and-sell auction held next Wednesday. Any grain that's purchased will be for arrival in late January.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 80,012 CBOT contracts, moving above Wednesday's final tally of 69,609.

South African Futures Exchange

	МТМ	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price					
Bread Milling Wheat									
May 2020									
Jul 2020									
Sep 2020	R 5 401.00	12%	R 30.04	R 5 431.04					
Dec 2020	R 4 848.00	11%	R 31.50	R 4879.50					
Mar 2021	R 4 923.00	0%	R 34.50	R 4 957.50					
May 2021									
Jul 2021									
Cape Wheat									
May 2020									
Jul 2020									
Sep 2020									
Dec 2020									
Mar 2021									
May 2021									
Jul 2021									







The local Weat market closed higher yesterday. The Aug'20 Weat contract closed R55.00 up and Sep'20 Weat closed R127.00 higher. The parity move for the Aug'20 Weat contract for yesterday was R25.00 nositive



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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	890.00	891.75	0.00	1.75	902.00	10.25	12.00			
SEP 2020	883.00	886.75	0.00	3.75	889.00	2.25	6.00			
NOV 2020	884.00	888.25	0.00	4.25	890.75	2.50	6.75			
JAN 2021	890.00	893.75	-0.50	3.75	896.25	2.50	6.25			
MAR 2021	888.00	891.75	-0.25	3.75	894.00	2.25	6.00			



CBOT Soybean Meal							
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight					
AUG 2010	289.8	291.30					
SEP 2010	292.5	293.60					
OCT 2010	294.4	295.40					
DEC 2010	298	299.10					
JAN 2011	298.7	299.80					

CBOT Soybean Oil							
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight					
AUG 2010	29.98	30.22					
SEP 2010	29.89	29.95					
OCT 2010	29.92	29.96					
DEC 2010	30.16	30.19					
JAN 2011	30.33	30.34					

FarmFutures - Soybean prices saw modest gains Thursday on a light round of technical selling partly spurred by a dose of bullish export data from USDA this morning, which topped analyst expectations. September futures added 0.75 cents to \$8.9225, with September futures rising 2.75 cents to \$8.8725.

Soybean basis bids were largely steady across the central U.S. Thursday but did slide a penny ower at an Illinois river terminal and 2 cents lower at an Illinois processor today.

Old crop soybean sales fell 45% below the prior four-week average, to 9.5 million bushels. However, the 2019/20 marketing year is quickly winding down, and new crop sales for 2020/21 jumped to an eye-opening 122.9 million bushels, leaving total sales last week at 132.4 million bushels. That total exceeded all trade estimates, which ranged between 6.1 million and 91.9 million bushels. Cumulative totals this marketing year are still behind last year's pace after reaching 1.445 billion bushels. Preliminary volume estimates were for 171,777 contracts, moving below Wednesday's final count of 197,651.

South African Futures Exchange

		Soybean Future								
	МТМ	Vols	Parity Change	Market Price						
May 2020										
Jul 2020										
Sep 2020	R 7 028.00	15%	R 25.37	R 7 053.37						
Dec 2020	R 7 070.00	15%		R 7 070.00						
Mar 2021	R 6 810.00	14.5%	R 25.31	R 6 835.31						
May 2021	R 6 400.00	17%		R 6 400.00						
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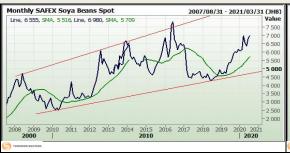


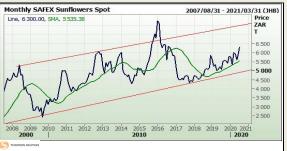
The local Soya market traded higher yesterday. The Aug'20 Soya contract ended R119.00 up and Sep'20 Soya closed R122.00 higher. The parity move for the Aug'20 Soya contract for yesterday was R24.00 positive.

The local Suns market closed higher yesterday. The Aug'20 Suns contract closed R112.00 up and Sep'20 Suns closed R112.00 higher.









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