



# **Fundamental Report**

## **23 September 2020**

## Financial Markets

### Currencies

Currency	Bid - Yesterday 12pm	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
USDollar/Rand	16.7249	16.8273	0.1024	0.61%
Euro/Rand	19.6397	19.6596	0.0199	0.10%
GBPound/Rand	21.3967	21.4066	0.0099	0.05%
AusDollar/Rand	12.0595	12.0029	-0.0566	-0.47%
Euro/USDollar	1.1737	1.1683	-0.0054	-0.46%
GBPound/USDollar	1.2792	1.2724	-0.0068	-0.53%
AusDollar/USDollar	0.7211	0.7133	-0.0078	-1.08%
JpyYen/USDollar	104.5500	105.0700	0.5200	0.50%

BDLive - The JSE fell for a sixth day on Tuesday, its longest losing streak since October 2018, as investors worry about a resurgence in Covid-19 and as the prospects of new lockdown measures in Europe spark concern about the global economic recovery. The JSE all share fell 0.10% to 53,265.33 points while the top 40 was little changed. Platinum miners fell 3.54% and resources 1.85%. The all share is down 2.25% over the past 10 days. Europe's stock markets clawed back some ground on Tuesday, a day after rising coronavirus cases caused the region's biggest wipeout since June and drove investors back to government bonds. Conditions were still choppy. South Korea and China's bourses had pulled Asia down for a second day after the tech-heavy Nasdaq fell out of its recent stellar range, so it was a relief for traders to see Europe stabilise. The pan-European Stoxx 600 index made back 0.5% of the 3.2% it lost on Monday, helped by respective 1.5% and 0.6% gains for the tech and healthcare sectors. Travel and leisure stocks saw 0.3% falls to add to Monday's 5.2% plunge; however, and as investors stayed close to safety, yields on Germany's government bonds held near six-week lows and the dollar rose.



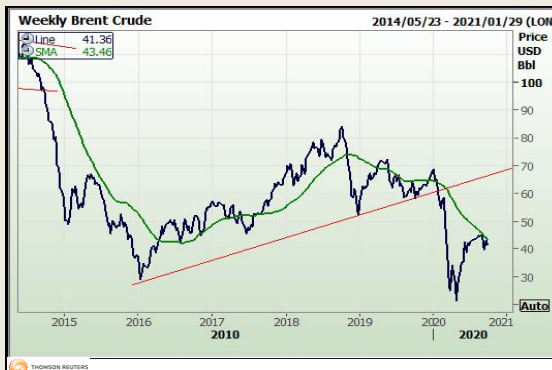
### Commodities

	Last	Value Change	% Change
Platinum	870.27	3.55	0.41%
Gold	1895.36	-3.92	-0.21%
Silver	24.03	-0.39	-1.61%
Copper	3.04	-0.02	-0.54%
Gasoil	317.75	-4.50	-1.42%
Brent Oil	41.36	-0.36	-0.87%

BDLive - Bengaluru — Gold prices steadied in a tight range on Tuesday, as worries over rising Covid-19 cases across Europe countered pressure from a stronger US dollar ahead of speeches by Federal Reserve policymakers this week.

Spot gold was up 0.1% at \$1,914.28 an ounce by 4.31am GMT, after dropping more than 3% to \$1,882.70, its lowest level since August 12 on Monday. US gold futures gained 0.5% to \$1,919.70 on Tuesday. Earlier in the day, a firmer US dollar dented gold's appeal, with the dollar index holding on to overnight gains against its rivals. A firmer dollar makes bullion more expensive for holders of other currencies.

"Gold is now more sensitive to the US dollar rather than any other factors," said Margaret Yang, a strategist with DallyFx, which covers currency, commodity and index.



### Financials

	Current Bid	Value Change	% Change
JSE TOP 40	49126.16	0.00	0.00%
ALSI	49189.00	0.00	0.00%
S&P 500	3281.06	34.51	1.05%
FTSE	5804.29	25.17	0.43%
CAC	4772.84	0.00	0.00%
DAX	12594.39	0.00	0.00%
Hang Seng	23716.85	-124.27	-0.52%



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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 2020	372.00	369.25	The record	-2.75	368.00	-1.25	-4.00
MAR 2021	381.00	378.75	The record	-2.25	377.50	-1.25	-3.50
MAY 2021	386.00	384.50	The record	-1.50	382.75	-1.75	-3.25
JUL 2021	390.00	388.25	The record	-1.75	386.25	-2.00	-3.75
SEP 2021	384.00	383.00	The record	-1.00	380.25	-2.75	-3.75

FarmFutures - Corn prices saw small declines Tuesday amid a choppy session as traders attempted to balance better-than-expected crop quality and harvest pressure against export optimism. December futures slipped half a penny lower to \$3.6925, with March futures down 0.75 cents to \$3.7850.

Corn basis bids were steady to mixed across the central U.S. Tuesday, moving as much as 3 cents higher at a low river terminal while falling as much as 8 cents lower at a Nebraska processor today. Private exporters announced two large corn sales to USDA today. The first was for 5.5 million bushels to China, plus another 12.6 million bushels to unknown destinations. Both sales are for delivery during the 2020/21 marketing year, which began September 1.



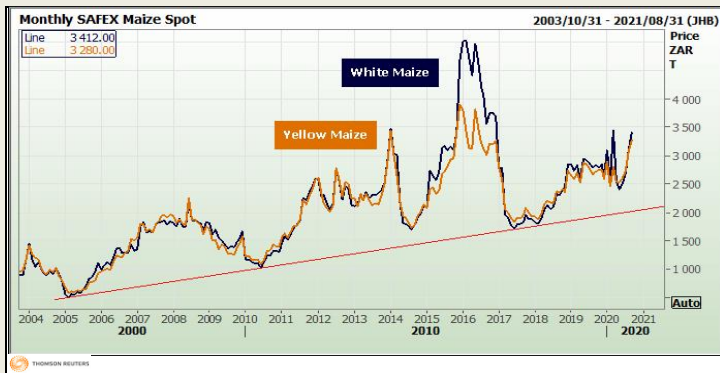
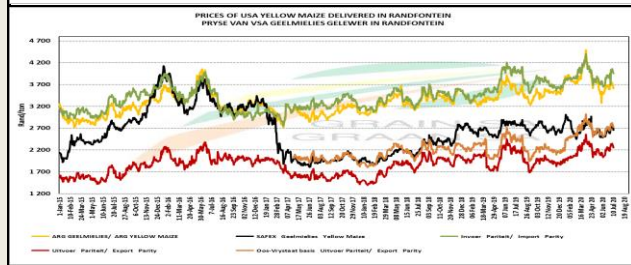
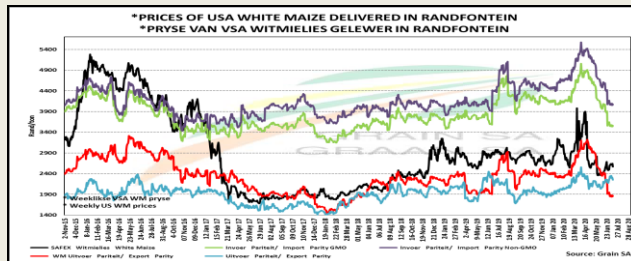
With generally dry weather last week and a quickly maturing crop, analysts expected harvest to reach 11% completion this past week. But USDA reports that just 8% of the crop nationwide has been harvested through September 20 in its latest weekly crop progress report. Fifty-nine percent of the crop is fully mature, with 95% of the crop denting. South Korea purchased 2.6 million bushels of corn, likely sourced from Brazil, in a private deal that recently closed. The grain is for shipment between mid-October and mid-November. A separate sale of 2.5 million bushels, also likely sourced from South America, was announced today. And the country's largest animal feed maker reported corn purchases totaling nearly 8.0 million bushels.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 244,914 contracts, falling moderately below Monday's final count of 314,429.

### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>White Maize Future</b>				
Sep 2020	R 3 412.00	28%		R 3 412.00
Dec 2020	R 3 383.00	31%	R -11.50	R 3 371.50
Mar 2021	R 3 336.00	27.75%	R -7.83	R 3 328.17
May 2021	R 2 932.00	0%	R -5.97	R 2 926.03
Jul 2021	R 2 916.00	25.75%	R -9.12	R 2 906.88
Sep 2021				
Dec 2021				
<b>Yellow Maize Future</b>				
Sep 2020	R 3 280.00	19.75%		R 3 280.00
Dec 2020	R 3 325.00	23%	R -11.50	R 3 313.50
Mar 2021	R 3 279.00	21.75%	R -7.83	R 3 271.17
May 2021	R 2 945.00	0%	R -5.97	R 2 939.03
Jul 2021	R 2 913.00	18.75%	R -9.12	R 2 903.88
Sep 2021				
Dec 2021				

The local Maize market traded mixed yesterday. The Sep'20 WMAZ contract ended R24.00 down and Sep'20 YMAZ closed R4.00 lower. The Dec'20 WMAZ closed higher by R34.00 and Dec'20 YMAZ ended R17.00 up. The parity move for the Sep'20 Maize contract for yesterday was unchanged.

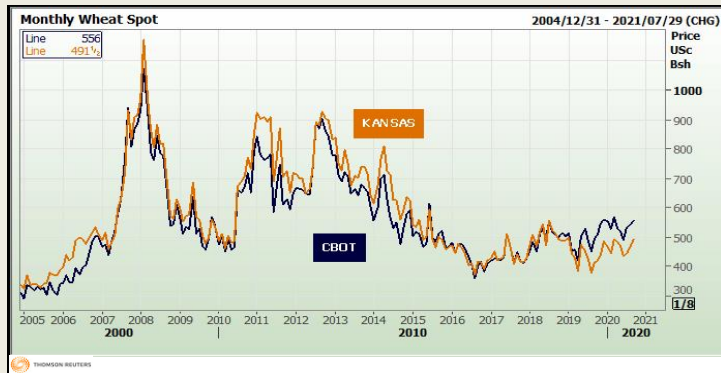


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## Wheat Market

### 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 2020	559.00	558.00	The record d	-1.00	556.00	-2.00	-3.00	DEC 2010	493.00	491.75	The record	-1.25	491.50	-0.25	-1.50
MAR 2021	567.00	565.75	The record d	-1.25	563.75	-2.00	-3.25	MAR 2011	503.00	502.75	The record	-0.25	502.25	-0.50	-0.75
MAY 2021	572.00	570.50	The record d	-1.50	568.75	-1.75	-3.25	MAY 2011	510.00	509.75	The record	-0.25	510.75	1.00	0.75
JUL 2021	570.00	568.00	The record d	-2.00	566.25	-1.75	-3.75	JUL 2011	516.00	515.75	The record	-0.25	515.25	-0.50	-0.75
SEP 2021	575.00	573.25	The record d	-1.75	529.00	-44.25	-46.00	SEP 2011	523.00	523.00	The record	0.00	524.75	1.75	1.75



FarmFutures - Wheat prices captured back some of yesterday's losses during today's session after reports of rising prices overseas triggered a round of technical buying. Some contracts finished the session up more than 1%. December Chicago SRW futures picked up 4 cents to \$5.5875, December Kansas City HRW futures added 5.5 cents to \$4.9275, and December MGEX spring wheat futures gained 6 cents to \$5.4075.

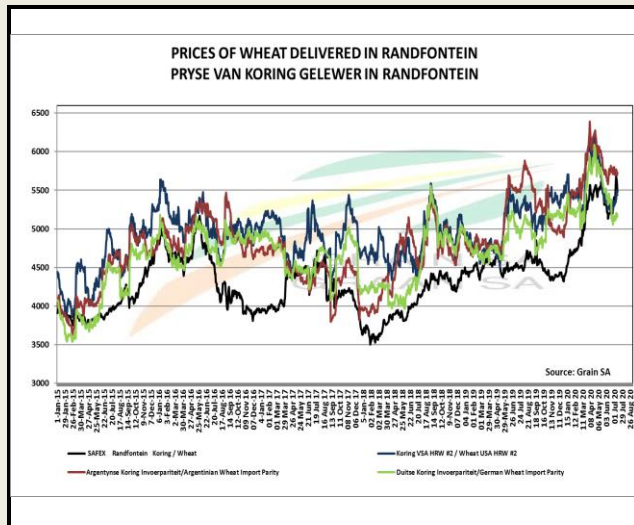
This year's spring wheat harvest is nearly complete, moving from 92% a week ago up to 96%, which is right in line with the prior five-year average and moderately ahead of 2019's pace of 84%.

Winter wheat planting progress doubled, going from 10% a week ago up to 20% through September 20. That's slightly ahead of the prior five-year average of 19%. And 3% of the crop is emerged, also slightly ahead of the prior five-year average of 2%. A South Korean feedmill group issued an international tender to purchase 2.6 million bushels of animal feed wheat, for arrival by the end of January.

Preliminary volume estimates were for 107,949 CBOT contracts, falling moderately below Monday's final count of 144,808.

### South African Futures Exchange

	MTM	Volatility	Parity Change	Parity Price
<b>Bread Milling Wheat</b>				
Sep 2020	R 5 030.00	16.5%		R 5 030.00
Dec 2020	R 4 916.00	9.5%	R 2.48	R 4 918.48
Mar 2021	R 5 011.00	0%	R 1.24	R 5 012.24
May 2021				
Jul 2021				
Sep 2021				
Dec 2021				
<b>Cape Wheat</b>				
Sep 2020				
Dec 2020				
Mar 2021				
May 2021				
Jul 2021				
Sep 2021				
Dec 2021				



The local Wheat market closed mixed yesterday. The Sep'20 Wheat contract closed R173.00 down while Dec'20 Wheat closed R12.00 higher. The parity move for the Sep'20 Wheat contract for yesterday was unchanged.



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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 2020	1027.00	1019.75	The record	-7.25	902.00	-117.75
JAN 2021	1032.00	1024.50	The record	-7.50	1022.25	-2.25
MAR 2021	1026.00	1019.00	The record	-7.00	1016.50	-2.50
MAY 2021	1022.00	1015.50	The record	-6.50	1013.25	-2.25
JUL 2021	1024.00	1017.00	The record	-7.00	1014.50	-2.50

CBOT Soybean Meal		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
OCT 2010	337.3	338.00
DEC 2010	341	341.50
JAN 2011	339.9	339.80
MAR 2011	335	334.60
MAY 2011	330.9	330.40

CBOT Soybean Oil		
Month	Main Session Close	Current Overnight
OCT 2010	33.67	33.65
DEC 2010	33.6	33.52
JAN 2011	33.7	33.61
MAR 2011	33.77	33.66
MAY 2011	33.8	33.72



FarmFutures - Soybean prices saw modest cuts Tuesday following Monday's steep declines. Another round of large export sales announced this morning kept losses mostly in check, although better-than-expected crop quality triggered some technical selling again today. November futures dropped 2.75 cents to \$10.1975, with January futures down 3.25 cents to \$10.2425. Soybean basis bids were steady to soft Tuesday after falling 3 to 5 cents lower at three Midwestern locations today.

Private exporters reported to USDA the sale of 9.8 million bushels of soybeans for delivery to China during the 2020/21 marketing year, which began September 1.

USDA's soybean quality ratings held steady at 63% rated in good-to-excellent condition through Sunday. Analysts generally thought the agency would shave another point off that top tier. Another 27% of the crop is rated fair (up a point from last week), with the remaining 10% rated poor or very poor (down a point from last week). U.S.-China relations remain testy this week, after President Donald Trump urged the United Nations to hold China accountable for its initial handling of the global COVID-19 pandemic. China's UN ambassador, Zhan Jun, responded that they "resolutely reject the baseless accusations against China."

Preliminary volume estimates were for 272,475 contracts, drifting 12% below Monday's final count of 308,366.

### South African Futures Exchange

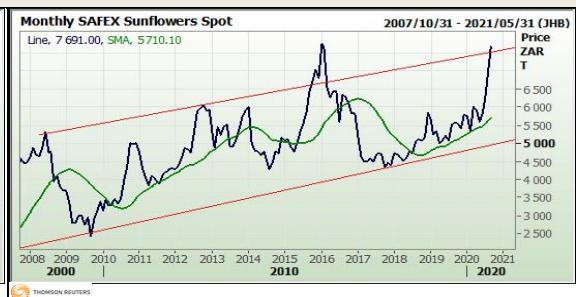
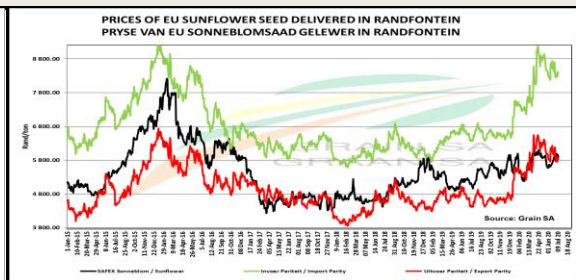
	Soybean Future			Market Price
	MTM	Vols	Parity Change	
Sep 2020	R 8 096.00	15%		R 8 096.00
Dec 2020	R 8 105.00	15%		R 8 105.00
Mar 2021	R 7 793.00	16%	R -20.13	R 7 772.87
May 2021	R 7 088.00	17%	R -15.65	R 7 072.35
Jul 2021	R 7 160.00	21.5%	R -20.21	R 7 139.79
Sep 2021				
Dec 2021				

	Sunflower Seeds Future	
	MTM	Vols
Sep 2020	R 7 691.00	11.5%
Dec 2020	R 7 790.00	13.5%
Mar 2021	R 7 780.00	14.5%
May 2021	R 6 912.00	21.5%
Jul 2021	R 6 860.00	0%
Sep 2021		
Dec 2021		



The local Soya market traded higher yesterday. The Sep'20 Soya contract ended R6.00 up and Dec'20 Soya closed R6.00 higher. The parity move for the Sep'20 Soya contract for yesterday was unchanged.

The local Suns market closed lower yesterday. The Sep'20 Suns contract closed R134.00 down and Dec'20 Suns closed R121.00 lower.



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