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Daily Market Report

11 December 2023

USA Movement (Overnight)		Cents	Currencies	11-Dec-23	07:28:11
CORN CBOT (Mar24)	486.75	-0.75	R/\$ last	19.0092	0.1209
SOY CBOT (Mar24)	1,330.75	-2.00	Euro=	1.0761	-0.0014
W1 CBOT (Mar24)	627.75	-9.50	GOLD	1,997	-31.1100
W1 KCBT (Mar24)	658.25	-6.75	BRENT	76.36	0.64
BlackSea Weat (Mar24)	275.75	0.00			
Index Change					
Maize (Mar24)	3,643	R 17.59	Wheat CBOT (Mar24)	4,385	-R38.05
Soya (Mar24)	9,294	R 45.23	Wheat Kansas (Mar24)	4,598	R -17.61
BlackSea Weat Near	5,242	R 33.34	Rand Effect on WEAT Parity*		R 18.54

* Average based on Prev. Spot FOB - US, Baltic and Australian Wheat.



South African Rand

UPDATE 1-South African rand weakens after surge in U.S. payrolls gains - Reuters News

JOHANNESBURG, Dec 8 (Reuters) - South Africa's rand weakened against the dollar on Friday after a surge in U.S. payrolls gains dampened hopes of an early interest rate cut by the Federal Reserve.

- At 1439 GMT, the rand traded at 18.9250 against the dollar ZAR=D3, about 0.9% weaker than its previous close.
- The dollar index <u>=USD</u> was last trading up 0.4% at 104.1 against a basket of major currencies.
- Data on Friday showed U.S. job growth accelerated in November while the unemployment rate fell to 3.7%, signs of underlying labour market strength that suggested financial market expectations of a rate cut early next year were probably premature.
- · Like most emerging market currencies, the rand tends to take cues from global factors such as U.S. monetary policy in addition to local events.
- Investors in South Africa are still on the lookout for an announcement on the appointment of a new chief executive officer at struggling utility Eskom after Bloomberg reported that Dan Marokane was set to be appointed CEO.
- On the stock market, the Top-40 <u>.JTOPI</u> index was down over 1.5%.





Corn

CBOT corn ends lower after USDA report raises global corn stocks view - Reuters News

CHICAGO, Dec 8 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade corn futures finished lower on Friday after the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in a monthly supply/demand report left its South American crop production forecasts unchanged while indicating strong global corn supplies.

- CBOT March corn CH24 settled down 2-1/2 cents at \$4.85-1/2 a bushel. The contract finished the week relatively flat after closing last week at \$4.84-3/4 per bushel.
- The USDA in its monthly report left its forecasts for Brazil's 2023/24 corn crop <u>unchanged</u> at 129 million metric tons and Argentina's crop at 55 million tons, bucking analyst expectations for reductions in both countries.
- The USDA's estimate of Brazil's corn crop was well above Brazilian government agency Conab's figure, released Thursday, of 118.528 million tons.
- The USDA raised its forecast of global 2023/24 corn ending stocks to 315.22 million metric tons, from 314.99 million previously, when analysts on average had expected a cut. WASDE17
- The USDA lowered its forecast of U.S. 2023/24 corn ending stocks to 2.131 billion bushels, down from 2.156 billion in November and below an average of <u>analyst expectations</u> for 2.152 billion.
- On the export front, the USDA confirmed sales of 165,000 metric tons of U.S. corn to unknown destinations.
- The CBOT reported 13 deliveries against the December corn CZ3 contract, which expires next week.





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Soyabean

CBOT soy tumbles after USDA's Brazil crop estimate tops most expectations - Reuters News

CHICAGO, Dec 8 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade soybean futures fell on Friday after the U.S. Department of Agriculture in a monthly report showed Brazil's soybean crop above estimates, despite drought conditions that have caused worries about yields in the top producing nation.

- CBOT January soybeans <u>SF24</u> settled down 7-3/4 cents at \$13.04 per bushel, retreating after setting a one-week high at \$13.30-3/4. For the week, the contract fell 21 cents a bushel or 1.6%.
- CBOT January soyoil <u>BOF24</u> fell 0.93 cents to end at 50.20 cents per lb. The contract declined 2.4% for the week.
- January soymeal <u>SMF24</u> finished Friday down \$2.10 at \$404.70 per short ton, ending the week down 1.9%.
- The USDA in its monthly supply/demand report trimmed its forecast of Brazil's soybean crop to 161 million metric tons, from 163 million previously. The USDA also raised its estimate of Brazil's year-ago 2023/23 soybean harvest to 160 million tons, from 158 million last month.
- The USDA's 2023/24 figure, at 161 million tons, was above most analyst estimates and topped Brazilian government agency Conab's figure, released Thursday, of 160.177 million tons.
- Brazilian consultancy Safras & Mercado lowered its estimate of the country's soy crop to 158.23 million tons, from 161.38 million previously.
- On the domestic ledger, the USDA left its forecast of U.S. 2023/24 soybean ending stocks unchanged at 245 million bushels, roughly in line with analyst expectations.
- Separately, the USDA confirmed sales of 136,000 metric tons of U.S. soybeans to China.





Soyabean

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Sunflower

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Wheat

CBOT wheat retreats on profit taking but ends week up 4.8% - Reuters News

CHICAGO, Dec 8 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade wheat futures fell 1.6% on Friday on profit-taking after the most active contract <u>Wv1</u> reached four-month high at midweek, highlighted by several rounds of U.S. wheat sales to China.

- CBOT March wheat WH24 settled Friday down 10-1/2 cents at \$6.31-3/4 per bushel. However, for the week, the contract rose 21 cents a bushel or 4.8%.
- K.C. March hard red winter wheat KWH24 ended Friday down 6-1/2 cents at \$6.61 a bushel, but posted a weekly gain of 2.2%.
- MGEX March spring wheat <u>MWEH24</u> ended down 7-3/4 cents at \$7.29-1/2 a bushel, just 3/4 of a cent below last week's close.
- The USDA in a monthly supply/demand report cut its forecast of U.S. 2023/24 wheat ending stocks to 659 million bushels, which was down from 684 million in November and below a range of <u>analyst expectations</u>. The cut reflected an increased estimate of U.S. wheat exports. <u>WASDE05</u>
- The USDA pared its global wheat ending stocks forecast to 258.20 million metric tons, from 258.69 million last month, while <u>analysts on average</u> had expected a slight increase. <u>WASDE13</u>
- Under its daily reporting rules, the USDA <u>confirmed sales</u> of 110,000 metric tons of U.S. soft red winter wheat to China. Since Monday, the U.S. government has reported sales of 1,120,000 tons of soft red wheat to China.
- Farm office FranceAgriMer <u>rated</u> 77% of the French soft wheat crop as good or excellent by Dec. 4, down from 80% the previous week, reflecting excessively wet conditions.





Wheat

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