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Daily Market Report

02 January 2024

USA Movement (Overnight)		Cents	Currencies	02-Jan-24	07:36:39
CORN CBOT (Mar24)	471.25	-2.00	R/\$ last	18.2943	-0.2648
SOY CBOT (Mar24)	1,298.00	-13.00	Euro=	1.1026	-0.0034
W1 CBOT (Mar24)	628.00	-1.50	GOLD	2,072	3.3000
W1 KCBT (Mar24)	642.00	-1.25	BRENT	78.43	0.77
BlackSea Weat (Mar24)	275.75	0.00			
Index Change					
Maize (Mar24)	3,394	R -63.74	Wheat CBOT (Mar24)	4,221	-R71.33
Soya (Mar24)	8,724	R -214.92	Wheat Kansas (Mar24)	4,316	R -70.99
BlackSea Weat Near	5,045	R -73.02	Rand Effect on WEAT Parity*		R -40.90

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



South African Rand

South African rand firmer in light trade, but down 7.5% in 2023 - Reuters News 29 Dec 2023 03:37:04 PM

JOHANNESBURG, Dec 29 (Reuters) - South Africa's rand strengthened in thin trade on the last day of trading for the year on Friday, helped by positive domestic economic data.

- At 1320 GMT, the rand traded at 18.40 against the US dollar <u>ZAR=D3</u>, about 0.8% stronger than its previous close.
- But the rand is down about 7.5% against the US dollar this year as severe power cuts, logistical constraints at South African ports, strained government finances and global risk-aversion took their toll.
- Revenue service data on Friday showed South Africa recorded a trade surplus of 21.02 billion rand (\$1.14 billion) in November compared with a revised deficit of 12.88 billion rand in October.
- The country's budget deficit narrowed to 17.81 billion rand in November compared with the same month a year earlier, Treasury figures showed.
- On the stock market, the Top-40 .JTOPI index closed up 0.6%, while the broader all-share .JALSH ended around 0.5% higher.
- South Africa's benchmark 2030 government bond ZAR2030= was weaker, with the yield up 4.5 basis points to 9.770%
- Currently \$1 = 18.2943 rand





Corn

CBOT corn ends down, finishes year 30% lower - Reuters News - 29 Dec 2023 09:53:04 PM

CHICAGO, Dec 29 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade corn futures declined on Friday, finishing the year more than 30% lower, its biggest annual drop in a decade, on surplus global supplies despite weather concerns in South America.

- Corn futures were pressured throughout the year as record corn harvests in Brazil and the U.S. helped offset severe drought in Argentina.
- CBOT March corn CH24 settled Friday down 3 cents at \$4.71-1/4 per bushel. For the year, the most-active contract Cv1 fell \$2.07-1/4 a bushel or 30.5%.
- U.S. farmers are likely to feel the effects of lower prices and prioritize planting soybeans in 2024, traders said.
- Light-volume trading continued ahead of the New Year's Day holiday on Monday, when the market will be closed.
- The USDA reported export sales of U.S. old-crop corn in the week ended Dec. 21 at 1,242,100 metric tons, toward the high end of trade expectations for 600,000 to 1,400,000 tons.
- · Corn planting in Argentina is 69.9% complete, the Buenos Aires grains exchange said in a weekly report, following recent abundant rainfall.





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Soyabean

CBOT soybeans decline, finish year down 14.8% - Reuters News 29 Dec 2023 10:10:12 PM

CHICAGO, Dec 29 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) soybean futures fell on Friday, notching a 15% yearly decline as robust production in Brazil outweighed concerns about a drought-shortened harvest in Argentina.

- CBOT March soybeans <u>SH24</u> settled Friday down 14 cents at \$12.98 a bushel. For the year, the benchmark contract <u>Sv1</u> fell \$2.26 a bushel or 14.8%, the first annual decline since 2018.
- CBOT March soyoil <u>BOH24</u> ended Friday up 0.20 cent at 48.18 cents per lb.
- CBOT March soymeal <u>SMH24</u> closed \$4.70 lower at \$386 per short ton.
- · Light-volume trading continued ahead of the New Year's Day holiday on Monday, when the market will be closed.
- Soybean planting in Argentina is 78.6% complete, the Buenos Aires grains exchange said in a weekly report, advancing 9.5 percentage points in a week following recent abundant rainfall.
- Traders monitored crop conditions in Brazil to see if recent rainfall and widespread showers forecast for next week will curb drought damage in central and northern regions.
- The USDA reported export sales of U.S. soybeans in the week ended Dec. 21 at 983,900 metric tons, in line with trade expectations for 800,000 to 1,700,000 tons
- The CBOT reported 382 deliveries against the January SF24 soybean futures contract on first notice day, and no deliveries against January soymeal SMF24 or soyoil BOF24 futures.





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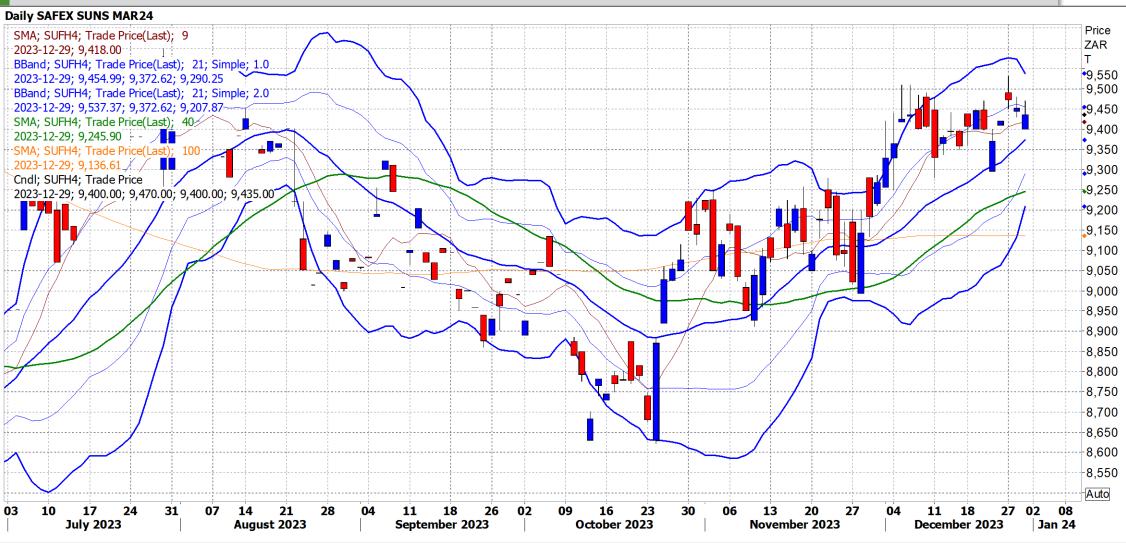
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Wheat

CBOT wheat ends lower, posts yearly decline of 21% - Reuters News 29 Dec 2023 10:01:37 PM

CHICAGO, Dec 29 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade wheat futures <u>Wv1</u> declined on Friday and finished the year down nearly 21%, reflecting adequate global supplies and the easing of concerns over shipping through the Black Sea.

- Grain markets have been assuaged by large wheat exports from Russia, which harvested another bumper crop this year, and a revival in grain shipments from Ukraine after Kyiv established a new shipping channel.
- Light-volume trading continued ahead of the New Year's Day holiday on Monday, when the market will be closed.
- CBOT March wheat Wv1 settled down 3-1/2 cents at \$6.28 per bushel.
- For the year, the most-active contract <u>Wv1</u> dropped \$1.64 per bushel or 20.7%.
- K.C. March hard red winter wheat KWH24 ended down 1-3/4 cents at \$6.42 a bushel. For the year, the most-active contract fell \$2.46 a bushel or 27.7%.
- MGEX spring wheat settlement prices were not immediately available. The MGEX March contract MWEH24 last traded down 2-1/4 cents at \$7.23-1/4 per bushel.
- The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) reported export sales of U.S. old-crop wheat in the week ended Dec. 21 at 276,400 metric tons, toward the low end of trade expectations for 200,000 to 600,000 tons.
- Euronext wheat edged up but fell sharply over the year after stiff export competition from the Black Sea region eased worries about war disrupting the grain trade.





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