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Daily Market Report

30 December 2024

| USA Movement (Overnight) | | Cents | Currencies | 30-Dec-24 | 08:03:58 |
|--------------------------|--------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| CORN CBOT (Mar25) | 454.50 | 1.50 | R/\$ last | R 18.6588 | -0.1050 |
| SOY CBOT (Mar25) | 991.50 | -3.00 | Euro= | \$ 1.0427 | 0.0010 |
| W1 CBOT (Mar25) | 548.50 | 10.75 | GOLD | \$ 2,624 | 0.0200 |
| W2 KCBT (Mar25) | 556.25 | 10.00 | BRENT | \$ 74.30 | 0.85 |
| BlackSea Wheat (Near) | 229.00 | 0.00 | | | |
| Index Change | | | | | |
| Maize (Mar25) | 3,339 | R -7.71 | Wheat CBOT (Mar25) | 3,760 | R 52.95 |
| Soya (Mar25) | 6,797 | R -58.93 | Wheat Kansas (Mar25) | 3,814 | R 47.48 |
| BlackSea Wheat Near | 4,273 | R -24.05 | RAND EFFECT ON WHEAT PARITY | 3,745 | -R 21.07 |



South African Rand

South African rand gains in volatile holiday trade - Reuters News 27 Dec 2024 09:39:39 AM

JOHANNESBURG, Dec 27 (Reuters) - The South African rand gained in volatile holiday-thinned trade on Friday after posting losses for the previous two days.

- The rand traded at 18.66 against the dollar <u>ZAR=D3</u> at 0730 GMT, about 1.1% stronger than its previous close.
- The currency lost about 1% against the dollar over Wednesday and Thursday, the Christmas Day and Boxing Day public holidays.
- The Johannesburg Stock Exchange's Top-40 index <u>.JTOPI</u> was little changed. The benchmark 2030 government bond <u>ZAR2030=</u> was marginally firmer, with the yield down 1.5 basis points at 9.025%.





CBOT LATEST NEWS

GRAINS-Corn prices near six-month high on strong demand; wheat rises - Reuters News 30 Dec 2024 06:06:28 AM

•Corn nears June highs on firm demand for US cargoes •Wheat prices underpinned by Russian output worries

SINGAPORE, Dec 30 (Reuters) - Chicago corn futures gained further on Monday, after hitting six-month highs in the previous session, on strong demand for U.S. supplies and bargainbuying.

- Wheat rose for a third consecutive session on worries over Russian supplies, while soybeans inched higher after closing lower in the last session.
- The most-active corn contract on the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) Cv1 rose 0.2% to \$4.54-3/4 a bushel by 0359 GMT, having hit its highest since mid-June at \$4.55 a bushel in the previous session.
- Wheat Wv1 gained 0.4% to \$5.48-1/2 a bushel and soybeans Sv1 added a quarter of a cent to \$9.90 a bushel.
- The corn market is drawing support from robust export demand. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported export sales in the week to Dec. 19 were 1.7 million metric tons, topping a range of trade expectations for 1.0 million to 1.6 million tons.
- Corn prices have an upside potential on bargain-buying as the market dropped to a four-year low in August. End users of the grain have since been taking advantage of the dip, booking purchases in case South American corn harvests falter.
- Conditions for winter wheat crops will worsen in Russia's Central and Volga areas in January as warmer-than-usual weather and excess moisture cause sprouts to keep growing during the winter, the state weather agency said on Saturday.
- Soybean futures have faced pressure in recent weeks on optimism about soybean production in Brazil, the world's top supplier.
- · Commodity funds were net buyers of CBOT corn, wheat and soyoil futures contracts on Friday and net sellers of soybean and soymeal futures, traders said. COMFUND/CBT



CBOT corn ends higher, notches 6-month peak - Reuters News 27 Dec 2024 10:39:17 PM

CHICAGO, Dec 27 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade corn futures ended mostly higher on Friday on stronger-than-expected weekly U.S. export sales data and supportive chart signals, traders said.

- CBOT March corn CH25 settled up 1/4 cent at \$4.54 per bushel after reaching \$4.55, the highest on a continuous chart of the most-active corn contract Cv1 since mid-June.
- The March contract stayed above its 200-day moving average after crossing above that line on Thursday for the first time since May, a bullish technical signal.
- For the week, CBOT March corn rose 7-3/4 cents a bushel or 1.7%.
- The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported export sales of U.S. corn in the week to Dec. 19 at 1.7 million metric tons, topping a range of trade expectations for 1.0 million to 1.6 million tons.
- Given brisk demand, some analysts expect the USDA may further trim its forecast of U.S. corn inventories in its next monthly supply/demand report on Jan. 10, following a sizable cut in its Dec. 10 report.
- Argentina's Buenos Aires Grains Exchange raised its corn planting area estimate for the 2024/25 season to 6.6 million hectares, up from a prior estimate of 6.3 million hectares.





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Soyabean

CBOT soybeans retreat; US export sales data disappoints - Reuters News 27 Dec 2024 11:33:01 PM

CHICAGO, Dec 27 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade soybean futures closed lower on Friday, retreating on a lack of follow-through buying after the benchmark March contract hit its highest level in nearly two weeks.

- CBOT March soybeans <u>SH25</u> settled down 7-1/2 cents at \$9.89-3/4 per bushel, turning lower after a climb to \$9.98-1/4 in early moves. For the week, the March contract rose 10-1/2 cents a bushel or 1.07%.
- The spot January soybean contract SF25, which expires on Jan. 14, ended Friday down 8 cents at \$9.80 a bushel.
- CBOT March soymeal <u>SMH25</u> fell \$4.40 to end at \$310.50 per short ton while March soyoil <u>BOH25</u> rose 0.12 cent to settle at 40.00 cents per pound.
- The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported export sales of U.S. 2024/25 soybeans in the week to Dec. 19 at 978,400 metric tons, below a range of trade expectations for 1.0 million to 1.8 million tons. EXP/SOY
- Strong soybean crop prospects in top global supplier Brazil continue to hang over the market, capping rallies. But traders were monitoring drier outlooks for Argentina.
- Argentina's Buenos Aires Grains Exchange trimmed its soybean planting area estimate for the 2024/25 season to 18.4 million hectares, a reduction of 200,000 hectares from the prior estimate.
- Bunge Global said it was restarting a soybean processing plant in Cairo, Illinois, after a fire in a conveyor belt shuttered the facility on Thursday.





Soyabean

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Sunflower

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Wheat

CBOT wheat ends higher on bargain buying, strong US export sales - Reuters News 27 Dec 2024 11:00:33 PM

CHICAGO, Dec 27 (Reuters) - Chicago Board of Trade wheat futures closed higher on Friday, extending a rebound from life-of-contract lows set last week, supported by strong weekly U.S. export sales and a setback in the dollar, traders said.

- CBOT March soft red winter wheat WH25 settled up 5-1/2 cents at \$5.46-1/2 per bushel.
- For the week, the CBOT March contract rose 13-1/2 cents a bushel or 2.5%.
- K.C. March hard red winter wheat KWH25 ended Friday up 3 cents at \$5.54-1/2 a bushel and Minneapolis March spring wheat MWEH25 rose 1-1/4 cents to finish at \$5.95-1/4.
- The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported <u>export sales</u> of U.S. wheat in the week to Dec. 19 at 612,400 metric tons, topping a range of <u>trade expectations</u> for 250,000 to 600,000 tons. The total was also up 64% from the prior four-week average. <u>EXP/WHE</u>
- A two-day setback in the dollar lent support, theoretically making U.S. grains more competitive globally. However, the dollar index <u>.DXY</u> notched a two-year high last week and was on pace for a yearly increase of 6.6%. <u>USD/</u>
- Argentina's Buenos Aires Grains Exchange said about 88.5% of the country's wheat fields have been <u>harvested</u>, with the season's crop seen at 18.6 million metric tons.
- Egypt's state grain buyer, Mostakbal Misr for Sustainable Development, has locked in enough wheat to meet the country's needs through the end of June 2025, two sources told Reuters. But a lack of details left some traders questioning the size of the deals.





Wheat

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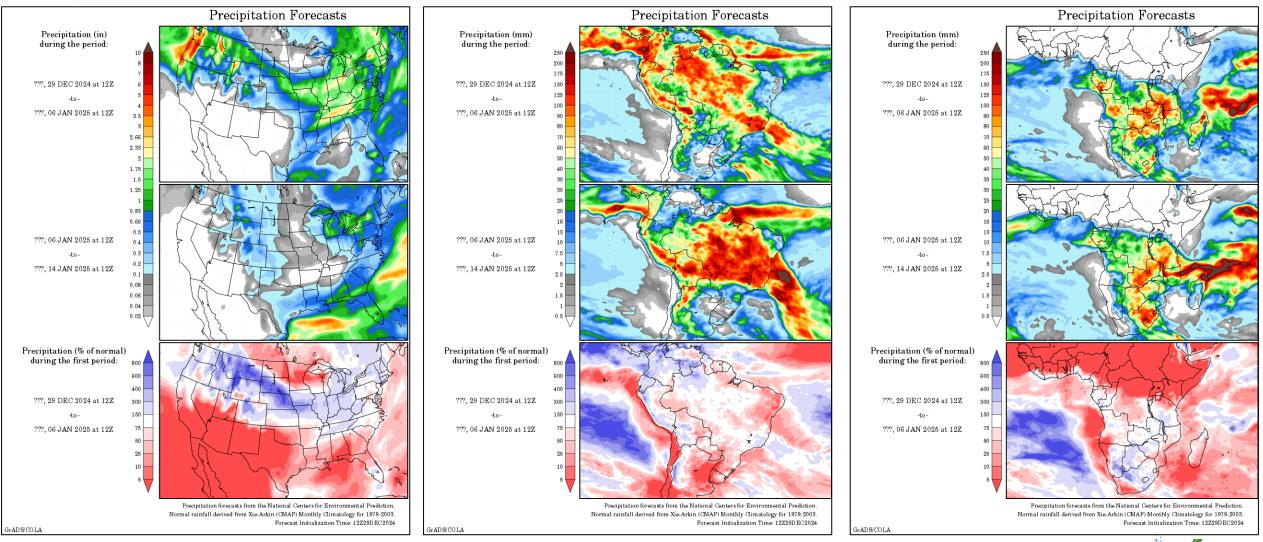




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Short Term Precipitation Outlooks





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Short Term Temperature Outlooks

