


Grain SA's Oilseed Market Commentary

	DATE	DATE			+ - WEEK AGO		+ - MONTH AGO		+ - YEAR AGO	
	2015/11/30	2015/11/27			2015/11/23		2015/11/02		2014/12/01	
	Data	Δ	Δ%	Data	Δ%	Data	Δ%	Data	Δ%	Data
Brent (\$/b)	44.73	-0.71	-1.6%	45.44	1%	44.19	-8%	48.87	-38%	72.09
US\$: ? ZAR	14.39	0.036	0.3%	14.35	3%	14.01	5%	13.75	31%	11.00
Corn	R 2,039.25	-29	-1.4%	R 2,067.99	* CBOT Dec cents / bushel + -08 : 00 today vs CBOT Corn Dec + -12 : 00 the previous					
Wheat	R 2,438.63	-89	-3.5%	R 2,527.38	*CBOT Dec cents / bushel + -08:00 today vs. CBOT Wheat Dec + -12 : 00 the previous					
Soybean	R 4,606.30	-9	-0.2%	R 4,615.74	* CBOT Jan cents / bushel + -08 : 00 today vs. CBOT Soy Jan + -12 : 00 the previous day					
Latest CBOT prices during overnight trading (Recorded between 6 a.m. to 07:00 am vs 12:00 pm the previous trading day)										
Corn Spot (Dec)	360.00	-6.00	-1.6%	366.00	-1%	362.00	-4%	376.50	-14%	418.25
Wheat (Dec)	461.25	-18.00	-3.8%	479.25	-6%	489.25	-9%	508.00	-27%	632.75
Soybean (Jan)	871.25	-4.00	-0.5%	875.25	1%	864.25	-1%	878.75	-13%	1003.00
Latest MTM prices (Recorded between 07:00 am - 08:00 am on the last two dates) SPOT = nearest contract month (Rands / ton)										
SORGHUM SPOT	3180	0	0.0%	3180	0%	3180	5%	3040	38%	2300
WMAZ SPOT	3369	70	2.1%	3299	5%	3214	3%	3285	69%	1992
YMAZ SPOT	3359	84	2.6%	3275	4%	3220	11%	3035	65%	2036
SOY 50 SPOT	5999	204	3.5%	5795	1%	5925	4%	5750	11%	5410
SUN SPOT	6975	175	2.6%	6800	4%	6687	2%	6820	48%	4710
WHEAT SPOT	4524	22	0.5%	4502	3%	4381	6%	4280	19%	3786
OILSEED (US\$/ton)	2015/11/26	Source: Oilworld			2015/11/19		Sep 2015		Oct 2014	
Soya-oil, Arg.	696				4%	668	13%	618	-10%	774
Soya-pell, Arg.	317				-1%	321	-9%	348	-24%	419
Soybean, Brazil	374				2%	366	-1%	379	-17%	451
USA Runner 40/50	1175				0%	1175	2%	1150	-12%	1342
Sun-oil, Arg.	755				-1%	760	-1%	759	-10%	842
Sun-oil, Black Sea	795				-1%	800	8%	736	-1%	802
Sunseed, Black Sea	450				-1%	455	13%	397	17%	383
Rapeseed, EU cif	404				1%	400	-2%	413	-2%	412
Palmk oil Mal, EU	810				5%	770	2%	798	-14%	939
LATEST MARKET INFORMATION TO 23:00 (RSA TIME) AS OBTAINED FROM VARIOUS MARKET REPORTS										
<p>External Market Factors: This morning the Rand has weakened by 0.3% against the US dollar from the level seen at midday Friday, at the time of writing the Rand traded around R14.39. A weaker Rand is supportive of domestic grain and oilseeds prices. Some parts of South Africa have received light showers in the past few weeks, which enabled them to continue with planting. Nonetheless, a larger part of the country remains extremely dry, especially the central and western areas. This morning however, weather forecasts show signs of possible light rains over the summer crop producing areas in the next 8-days, estimated to be between 10 to 30 millimetres.</p> <p>SOYBEAN: Domestic perspective – on Friday, soybean spot price was up by R204/ton from the previous day's price and closed at R5999/ton due to tight domestic stocks and increased buying interest. SAGIS reported South Africa's soybean ending-stocks in October 2015 at 411 261 tons, which is 22% lower than the previous month. In the same month, local demand was reported at 127 173 tons, up by 11% month-on-month. International perspective: soybean prices were sideways last week, with South American news dominating the market. There are expectations that the newly elected Argentinian government will remove the export tax on the grain and oilseeds. In Brazil, insufficient rainfall is still affecting soybean conditions in central areas of the country, whereas the south has again been hit by excessive rainfall. Nonetheless, Brazil's 2015/16 soybean crop is still expected to be large, estimated at 100 million tons.</p> <p>SUNFLOWERSEED: Domestic perspective – on Friday, sunflowerseed spot price was up by R175/ton from the previous day's price and closed at R6975/ton due to tight domestic stocks and a weaker Rand. SAGIS reported South Africa's sunflowerseed ending-stocks in October 2015 at 199 793 tons, which is a 28% month-on-month decrease. At the same time, local demand was reported at 81 491 tons, down by 1% from the previous month. International perspective: increased sunflowerseed production in Russia and Ukraine has led to high sunflower oil production, with October 2015 oil production reported at 400 000 tons and 393 000 tons, respectively. According to Oilworld, a large part of this oil was exported to India, China, Turkey and EU.</p> <p>CANOLA: Domestic perspective – the CEC's fourth canola production estimate came out at 105 400 tons, unchanged from last month's estimate and 13% lower than the previous season's crop owing to a 18% year-on-year area decrease. International perspective – Canada continues to be among the leading exporters of canola. Their Grain Commission reported that 1.09 million tons of canola was exported in October 2015 with China being the major destination.</p> <p>GROUNDNUTS: Domestic perspective – SAGIS reported South Africa's groundnuts ending-stocks in October 2015 at 34 421 tons, which is a 16% month-on-month decrease. In the same month, local demand was reported at 8 147 tons, up by 73% from the previous month. International perspective – US groundnuts price (Runner 40/50) was at the same level as the previous week, US\$1175/ton, but 12% lower than last year. This decrease is due to large global supplies and likely to keep prices under pressure in short-to-medium term. Oilworld forecasts 2015/16 global groundnuts production (<i>shelled</i>) at 28 million tons, up by 900 000 tons from the previous season, due to increased production in the US, Senegal and China. Harvesting is nearing completion in the US where the crop is seen by USDA at 2.1 million tons, up 19% year-on-year. Africa: Senegal may harvest the largest groundnut crop in five years due to unusually good rainfall. Their official 2015/16 crop estimate is 1.1 million tons.</p>										
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