Grain SA's Oilseed Market Commentary

GRAN BA GRAN BA Brent (\$/b)	DATE							+ - WEEK AGO			+ - MONTH AGO			+ - YEAR AGO		
	2017/11/13	2017/11/03				2017/11/06			2017/10/16			2016/11/14				
	Data 63.68	Δ 2.86		<u>Δ%</u>	Data 60.82		۵% 1.9%	Data 62.47		Δ% 10.1%	Data 57.86		Δ% 40.8%	Data 45.24		
US\$: ? ZAR	14.40	0.070		4.7%	14.33	1	1.9%	14.20	T	8.4%	13.29		40.8%	45.24		
Corn	R 1 944.46	20.74		0.5%	R 1 923.72	T * CBOT		-								
Wheat	R 2 280.46	26.88		1.2%	R 2 253.58											
Soybean	R 5 169.40	-11.73		-0.2%	R 5 181.13											
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Corn Dec '17	343.00	2.00	$\mathbf{\uparrow}$	0.6%	341.00	↓	-1%	348.00	↓	-3%	352.00	4	-9%	375.75		
Wheat Dec '17	431.00	3.00	1	0.7%	428.00	1	1%	425.00	J.	-2%	439.00	J.	-10%	477.75		
Soybean Nov '17	977.00	-7.00	↓	-0.7%	984.00	1	0%	977.00	4	-2%	1000.00	4	0%	981.25		
1	Latest MTM prices	s (Record	ed be	tween 07:00	am - 08:00 am o	on the las	st two date	es) SPOT = r	earest o	ontract mo	nth (Rands	s / ton	ne)			
SORGHUM Dec '17	2620	0	T	0.0%	2620	Ŷ	2.7%	2550	1	4.8%	2500	4	-25%	3500		
WMAZ SPOT	2025	24	1	1.2%	2001	T	0.7%	2011	1	9.1%	1856	4	-46%	3746		
WMAZ Jul '18	2172	16	T	0.7%	2156	Ŷ	0.3%	2165	ſ	5.8%	2052	➔	-17%	2608		
YMAZ SPOT	2117	12	Ŷ	0.6%	2105	Ŷ	0.8%	2100	1	8.2%	1957		-34%	3189		
YMAZ Jul '18	2241	9	1	0.4%	2232	^	0.3%	2234	1	5.6%	2123		-9%	2463		
SOY 50 SPOT	5022	2	T	0.0%	5020	Ŷ	2.0%	4923	1	5.8%	4745	▲	-23%	6480		
SOY May '18	5216	-9	4	-0.2%	5225	Ŷ	2.0%	5114	1	5.1%	4965		-14%	6050		
SUN SPOT	4746	6	T	0.1%	4740	1	3.9%	4566	ſ	4.1%	4558	4	-23%	6187		
SUN May '18	4936	4	1	0.1%	4932	1	2.7%	4805	Ŷ	4.0%	4747	↓	-17%	5915		
WHEAT SPOT	4196	6	1	0.1%	4190	Ŷ	0.0%	4196	1	2.0%	4114	1	5%	4001		
WHEAT Dec '17	4221	15	T	0.4%	4206	1	0.0%	4221	ſ	2.3%	4127	ſ	5%	4014		
OILSEED (US\$/ton)	2017/11/10	Source: Oilworld				2017/11/06			May 2017			June 2015				
Soya-oil, Arg.	796					1	0%	796	1	4%	769	ſ	18%	676		
Soya-pell, Arg.	315					↓	-1%	318	◆	-7%	339	4	-14%	368		
Soybean, Brazil	423					1	0%	421	1	3%	410	1	3%	410		
USA Runner 40/50	1250					T	0%	1250	↓	-22%	1600	↓	-4%	1300		
Sun-oil, Arg.	765					Ŷ	0%	765	1	1%	755	↓	-4%	800		
Sun-oil, Black Sea	762					↓	0%	763	1	2%	750	1	2%	750		
Sunseed, Black Sea	373					↓	-1%	375	→	-7%	400	↓	-9%	409		
Rapeseed, EU cif	443					1	1%	437	1	4%	425	1	11%	399		
Palmk oil Mal, EU	1410					¥	-2%	1440	↓	-4%	1470	1	36%	1037		
	LATE	ST MARK	ET IN	IFORMATION	TO 23:00 (RSA	TIME) AS	OBTAINE	D FROM VA	RIOUS N	ARKET REI	PORTS					

Soybeans: There demand for soybean oil and meal are in a rising trend in the international perspective and that can be seen in the uptrend of the soybean disposals. The combined soybean crushing and exports of the US and 4 South American countries increased by 4.6 million ton (11%) from a year earlier during September and October. The expectation in the US for this year's soybean crop is still that the US are still likely to have an record crop for the season despite the slight downward revision in last week's WASDE report. The US production are estimated to be 120.44 million ton for the season that is around 4 million ton higher than the previous record which was produced last year. The weather conditions in the South American countries will still be watched closely with the weather conditions in Brazil and Argentina which is still mostly unfavourable although the plantings progressed well there lately. In Argentina the weather improved and the plantings were reported to be 12% at the end of last week which is 1% better than last year's pace at this time of the season. Although some regions is still excessively wet there are still plenty of time available for the fields to dry off before the planting window closes. In Brazil the soybean plantings are reported to be 57% done for the season which is well behind the 64% last year and the 61% 5 year average at this time of the season. The soil moisture is still low in many of the important producing states, but there were some beneficial rain in the past two weeks. The weather forecast for the rest is November is indicating below normal rainfall. The Chinese imports of soybean are expected to pick up the pace in November and December and the total imports to China for the season are estimated on a record of 95.5 million ton which is 12.3 million ton higher than last year's area planted and the market will keep an close eye on the progress of the plantings for the season would increase significantly from last year's area planted and the market will keep an close ey

Sunflower seed: In Russia there is a high risk that a large part of the Russian sunflower seed crop would not be harvested before the start of winter which could lead to additional damage to the crops and further losses in the yields. The Russian crop for the season was already revised downwards earlier this year and some observers are now estimating the crop to be below 11 million ton. In Ukraine the sunflower seed harvesting are nearing completion with only 3% of the crop that needs to be harvested. The average yields reported in Ukraine has increased over the last few weeks of the harvesting process, but it is still between 10% - 20% lower than last year's level. Local: The local sunflower seed market also found some good support last week to trade higher for the week after the market were mostly under pressure the previous two weeks. The sunflower seed mark were mostly under pressure the last few weeks and traded lower, but the market managed to regain most of the losses that were seen in the market and the market is trading currently at the highest levels since early October.

Canola: The favourable harvest results and an uptrend in farmer selling has boosted the Canadian canola disposals to a new high of roughly 1.95 million ton for the month of October. The canola exports are now estimated to reach or even exceed 1.09 million ton in October well above the same time last year. China also showed an strong import demand for canola and that also boosted the Canadian exports **Local**: Locally the harvesting in the Western Cape is under way and the actual yields reported as the harvesting continues will give and good indication of what the impact of the drought was on the yields and the production for the season.

Groundnuts: The international groundnut and groundnut products prices were under pressure this far in the season mostly due to ample world supplies of groundnuts as the US has an record crop of around 2.6 million tons. The world groundnut production has increased by 8% during the previous season and are expected to rise by another 3% in the current season. The world exports of groundnuts has stagnated on the high level of 2.69 million ton and the declines in the Argentinian and US groundnuts exports were offset by higher exports from China and India. Local: Locally it sit expected that more groundnuts are likely to be planted this season than last season and the plantings of groundnuts is under way in many areas of the country.

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