Grain SA Weekly Oilseed Market Commentary

TOWN IN	DATE	DATE					+ - WEEK AGO				+ - MONTH AGO			+ - YEAR AGO		
	2015/03/30	2015/03/27				2015/03/23				2015/03/02			2014/03/31			
GRAME SA	Data	Δ Δ%		Data	Δ%			Data	Δ%		Data	Δ%		Data		
Brent \$/vat (Jun)	56.41	-1.79	P	-3.1%	58.20	P	3	8%	54.89	1	-7%	60.42	P	-48%	107.64	
1 US\$: ? ZAR	12.06	0.046	P	0.4%	12.02	1	0)%	12.02	-	3%	11.73	-	14%	10.55	
ΔCBOT 8vm : 12nm*	R 1 859.34	10	P	0.5%	R 1 849.83	* CB	OT Mar sei	nt/s	skepel +-08:	00 va	ndag vs CBO	Corn Mar	+-12	2:00 die vorige	dag	
ΔCBOT 8vm : 12nm*	R 4 290.86	-3	P	-0.1%	R 4 294.23					00 va	ndag vs CBO	Γ Mar +-12	:00 d	lie vorige dag		
ΔCBOT 8vm : 12nm*	R 2 272.87	60	P	2.7%	R 2 213.35	* CB	OT Mar se	nt/	skepel +-08	:00 v	andag vs CBO	T Mar +-12	2:00 (die vorige dag		
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Corn Spot (May)	391.50	0.50	1	0.1%	391.00		1	.%	386.75	(1%	388.00	\Rightarrow	-23%	510.00	
Soybean (May)	968.00	-4.50		-0.5%	972.50	\	-1	.%	980.00	\Rightarrow	-5%	1013.75	\Rightarrow	-19%	1199.50	
Wheat (May)	512.75	11.50	r	2.3%	501.25	\downarrow	-4	۱%	534.25		3%	500.00	\Rightarrow	-29%	724.50	
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SORGHUM May 15	2475	0	^	0.0%	2475		0)%	2475		2%	2420			2780	
WMAZ SPOT	2624	-12	\downarrow	-0.5%	2636	1	-3	8%	2697	1	-2%	2668	1	-13%	3019	
YMAZ SPOT	2427	-12	ightharpoons	-0.5%	2439	₽	-3	%	2500	Î	2%	2382	Ţ	-8%	2650	
SOY50 SPOT	4760	2	Î	0.0%	4758	\downarrow	-5	%	4995	\	-6%	5060	-	17%	5752	
SUN SPOT	4900	30	Ŷ	0.6%	4870	\downarrow	-3	8%	5075	ightharpoons	-4%	5080	P	2%	4805	
WHEAT Apr 15	3844	6		0.2%	3838				NA			NA	de	-3%	3975	
OILSEED (US\$/ton)	2014/03/26	Source: Oilworld				2015/03/19			Feb 2015			Feb 2014				
Soja-olie Arg FOB	655					\	-0.8	8%	660	\downarrow	-10 <mark>.0%</mark>	728	•	-25 <mark>.9%</mark>	884	
Soja-pille Arg FOB	362						8.0	8%	359	\Rightarrow	-10 .2%	403	\Rightarrow	-35 <mark>.1%</mark>	558	
Sojabone Brazilië	408						1.2	2%	403	\Rightarrow	-2 .9%	420	\Rightarrow	- 27 .1%	560	
Persmarge	269						126.1	.%	119	(12.6%	239				
VSA Runner 40/50	1300						0.0)%	1300	1	-3 .7%	1350	1	-1.5%	1320	
Sonolie Arg FOB	795						0.6	%	790	1	-6 .5%	850	1	<mark>-11</mark> .3%	896	
Sonolie Ssee FOB	750					企	0.7	' %	745	Ŷ	0.4%	747	1	<mark>-12</mark> .3%	855	
Sonneblom SS	412						1.7	%	405	1	- 4 .5%	414	1	<mark>-8</mark> .4%	450	
Raapsaad EU cif	401					1	1.0)%	397	₩.	- <mark>1</mark> .0%	405	1	<mark>-23</mark> .9%	527	
Palmk olie Mal EU	1015						2.5	%	990	—	-5 .9%	1079	1	-21.4%	1292	
	LATE	ST MARK	ET INFO	RMATION	TO 23:00 (RSA	TIME) AS OBTAI	NE	D FROM VA	RIOU	S MARKET RE	PORTS				

External Market Factors: The Rand has weakened by 0.4% from the level seen at midday Friday, which is supportive of the domestic commodity prices. The price levels of the CBOT since 12h00pm yesterday indicate a potential increase of R10 on the maize export parity prices, a potential decrease of R3 on soybean import parity prices and a potential increase of R60 on wheat import parity prices.

Soybean: For the large part of last week, domestic soybean prices were under pressure as rainfalls on the weekend of 20 March seemed to be beneficial to the soybean crops. Additionally, the CEC second production forecast was reported at 942 850 tons, which is 0.48% more than the 938 350 tons of the previous forecast. This is 0.5% lower than 2014's crop, but the area planted is 36% higher than the 2014's area planted. This shows that the current drought conditions have negatively affected this year's crop. On Friday, soybean prices closed higher – getting support from the weak Rand.

On the international front - according to Oilworld, global soybean supplies will be ample at about 378 million tons in 2014/15, which is 37 million tons more than previous season. Additionally, world soybean stocks as of end-August 2015 are expected to reach a new high of 88 million tons, which is 22 million tons higher than the previous season. In the past few weeks, there have been some weather-caused crop losses in Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Bolivia. However, this is partly offset by very good crop development and higher than expected yields in southern Brazil and parts of Mato Grosso as well as in several regions of Argentina. In Brazil soybean harvesting is well advanced and yields have turned out above expectations. Oilworld has revised their Brazil's crop estimates to 94.2 million tons, which is above the latest CONAB estimate of 93.3 million tons. In Argentina there is still uncertainty about the crop damage from the very heavy rainfall and flooding at the end of February and early March. On the other hand, the soybean crop development has benefited in several areas from above-normal rainfall, raising yields and partly offsetting the damage in other parts of the country. Thus, the Argentine soybean crop will still reach a new record high. Oilworld estimates the Argentina crop at 55 million tons, which is significant higher from last year's crop of 51 million tons. On the negative light - new strike actions are looming in Argentina – potentially threatening smooth new-crop shipments if forthcoming negotiations are not successful. On the 31 March 2015 there will be a national strike of the whole transport sector in Argentina, comprising truck drivers, busses and even air planes.

Sunflowerseed: On the international front – global supplies for 2015 are expected to reach 3.17 million tons, which is 1% higher than 2014's crop. Crop losses are expected from Argentina, which Russia, Ukraine, South Africa and United States might see significant crop decreases.

Groundnuts: On the international front - global production of groundnuts is seen declining by 1.7 million tons to a multi-year low of 26.9 million tons (shelled) in 2014/15. Crop decreases are expected in Senegal, China, India and South Africa.

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The USDA first intentions to plant report will be published tomorrow (31 March) and may have an impact on commodity prices.

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