Corn Dec 19
Goud (Spot)
Brent S/plat
1 € / USD
1 USD / JAR
Corn Meal 19
Wheat Mar 19
Soybeans Nov 19
Lasts MTM prices (SPIOP + nearest contract month (Rand / ton)
import parity
Export parity
Sorghum Mar’20
WMAZ Spot
WMAZ Mar’20
WMAZ Jul’20
YMAZ Spot
YMAZ Mar’20
YMAZ Jul’20
Soy spot
Soy Mar’20
Sun Spot
Sun May’20
WHEAT Spot
WHEAT Mar’20
WHEAT May’20
Market overview: The rand trading 9 cents lower this morning at R14.79/$. According to Stats SA, manufacturing declines in October are the longest series of consecutive declines since the global recession. Manufacturing production fell for the fifth consecutive month in October, according to figures from Stats SA on Tuesday. The drop of 0.8% in October from the same month in 2018 indicates a series of contractions not seen since the global recession when, according to Stats SA, manufacturing contracted for 14 consecutive months between October 2008 and November 2009. For the year to date, manufacturing activity declined by 0.2%. However, the data were better than the market expectations. Economists surveyed by Bloomberg predicted a 2.7% year-on-year decline. On a seasonally adjusted month-on-month basis, manufacturing activity rose 2.7%. Production increased by 0.5% over the three months ended October. According to Stats SA, seven of the ten manufacturing divisions reported negative year-over-year growth. The biggest negative contributions came from the wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing division; the basic section for iron and steel, non-ferrous metal, metal products and machinery; textiles, clothing, leather and shoes; and mineral products of glass and non-metal. A significant positive contribution was made by the food and beverage division, which increased by 4%, Stats SA said. The latest manufacturing data comes as SA experiences intense load shedding throughout the power network Eikom. This has contributed to the electricity shortage dropping SA’s economy for the fourth quarter of 2019, after shrinking 0.6% in quarter three. Two consecutive quarters of contraction is a technical recession. The economic growth figures reported last week revealed that the manufacturing sector was one of the biggest drivers of growth during the third quarter. The sector, which according to Stats SA accounts for 13% of GDP, shrunk by 3.9% during the three months to September. Measures of confidence in the sector indicate that more optimistic signals are unlikely in the fourth quarter. The latest Absa Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) - a measure of operating conditions in the manufacturing industry - dropped to 47.7 points in November. A reading below 50 marks indicates contraction.
Maise: US maise prices were mixed according to the latest USDA supply and demand data, which reflects the agency’s estimates in November. USDA’s latest forecast for US maize production this year is now 347 million tons. These figures remained unchanged from November, with many analysts expecting significant revisions in the next month. Local: The local maize markets were suppressed and showed sharp declines yesterday. All contracts traded closed in the red.
Soybeans: Soybean prices again showed moderate increases on Tuesday after USDA supply and demand kept bad surprises from traders. As with maize, USDA left its soybean production data unchanged in its monthly WASDE report on Monday morning, expecting a crop of 95 million tons in 2019. Conab in Brazil estimates the country’s soybean production for 2019/20 at 121 million tons, which is fractionally higher than the November forecast and 5.3% higher year-on-year if realized. Local: Soybeans experienced relief in the local market with all contracts traded yesterday that closed in the green.
Wheat: US wheat prices saw modest increases after released USDA released some supportive data on supply and demand yesterday morning, leading to technical purchases. USDA supply and demand for wheat showed the most changes from the November WASDE report, taking into account lower domestic supplies, higher exports and lower closing stock. USDA added 680,000 tonnes to its wheat export estimates, totalling 26,534 million tonnes this marketing year, based on decent exports over the past month and with domestic wheat stocks dropping from 27 million tonnes in November to 26,507 million tons, it is the lowest level in five years. Brazil’s Conab expects the country’s wheat imports to reach 6,081 million tonnes for 2019, down 5.6% from November’s forecast. France’s farm ministry expects the country’s winter wheat surface to fall 4.8% year-on-year to 4,7299 million hectares after heavy rains displaced planting earlier this fall. Local: Wheat experienced a quiet day during yesterday’s session and moved mainly sideways with little to no changes taking place.

Grain SA’s Morning Grain Market Commentary

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