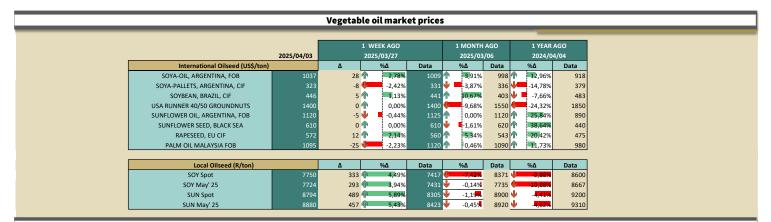
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Vegetable oil market commentary

Sovbeans:

WASDE report offered a mixed outlook: U.S. ending stocks were lowered slightly to 102 058 million tons, but crush was raised on the back of strong soybean meal demand and increased oil export partly linked to biofuel use amid tariff barriers on alternative feedstocks. The 26% rise in soybean production (2.3 million tonnes) and 14% increase in sunflower output (720,050 tonnes) will enhance domestic crushing capacity, improving soybean meal and oil availability. The animal feed sector stands to benefit from increased protein meal supply, partially offsetting elevated yellow maize prices.

Sunflower:

Increased ending stocks (85,034 tons) of sunflower will strengthen the domestic edible oil supply, further reducing import reliance. Lower global soybean meal prices driven by strong global crush and weak demand for alternative oilseed meals also support local feed affordability. Meanwhile, South Africa is not expected to import soybeans this season, limiting local price pressure despite weaker global prices.

Canola

Total deliveries of canola seed in 2024 amounted to ± 288 000 tons. Inland plantings have grown significantly, but SOILL was still able to absorb 94% of the production, proving that it can still absorb the growth of over 300% over the last 5 years. The biggest challenge is to grow the market fast enough without destroying

