

Fundamentals:

Corn futures touched the lowest in almost three years after a US government report unexpectedly forecast a record domestic crop this year.

The harvest of the most widely grown American crop will total 15.234 billion bushels, well above analyst estimates for 15.089 billion and surpassing 2016's previous record of 15.148 billion. Futures fell as much as 2% to the lowest since December 2020.

The bigger supplies should further bring down food inflation that had been soaring in the wake of crop-export disruptions in 2022 from Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Wheat and soybean futures also slid with the US Department of Agriculture hiking its domestic-stockpiles outlooks for both commodities by more than traders were expecting.

The sell-off came despite confirmation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that exporters sold 1.7 million metric tons of U.S. soybeans in the last day, including more than 1 million metric tons to China, extending a wave of recent export deals.

The confirmation came after Reuters reported on Wednesday that China had bought at least 300,000 metric tons of soybeans.

Wheat futures extended losses on a strengthening U.S. dollar and the USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) for larger global supplies, decreased domestic use and higher ending stocks.

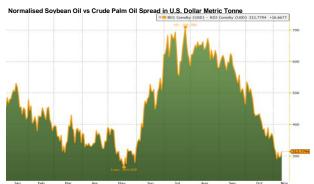
The forecast for a record US corn harvest comes despite searing heat and drought that stressed plants over the summer. Growns offset some the extreme weather by increasing the number of seeds they planted, with the USDA reporting the "highest number of ears on record."

Meanwhile, the agency's estimate for the US soybean harvest was increased about 1% from last month, and it also raised its estimates for wheat imported to the US. That's after shipments of Polish wheat helped to pressure US grain markets earlier this year.

"The adjustments were small, but they were all on the bearish side of the market," Craig Turner, an analyst at StoneX, said in a note.

Brazil's crop agency, Conab, also raised its forecast of the country's 2023/24 soybean crop to 162.420 million metric tons, from 162.003 million previously, despite stressful hot and dry weather in key areas.

(Source: Bloomberg, Reuters)



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Contract		Close	Chg	High	Low
Soybeans	JAN 24	1,343.50	-20.25	1,373.00	1,336.00
Soybean Oil	DEC 23	50.450	0.460	50.850	49.720
Soybean Meal	DEC 23	449.90	1.90	453.10	443.00
Corn	DEC 23	468.00	-7.50	476.00	466.50
Wheat	DEC 23	580.75	-10.50	592.50	573.00
US Dollar Inde	x	105.953	0.360	105.962	105.377

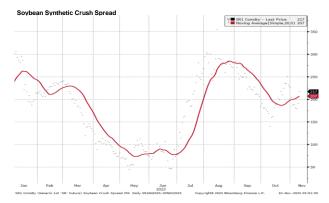
Argentina & Brazil	Weekly Export	t Statistic	(metric ton)
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Date	A. Corn	B.Corn	A.Soybean	B.Soybean	A.Wheat	B.Wheat
06/11/2023	73,000	645,000	77,000	460,000	#N/A N/A	31,000
30/10/2023	199,000	603,000	139,000	643,000	0	31,000
23/10/2023	349,000	478,000	150,000	662,000	0	32,000
16/10/2023	401,000	612,000	78,000	391,000	0	31,000
09/10/2023	334,000	841,000	40,000	544,000	0	61,000
02/10/2023	142,000	505,000	40,000	80,000	0	55,000
25/09/2023	378,000	758,000	99,000	819,000	0	20,000
18/09/2023	542,000	971,000	40,000	721,000	0	33,000
11/09/2023	718,000	474,000	26,250	521,000	0	62,000
04/09/2023	516,000	750,000	40,000	953,000	0	37,000

US Weekly Export Statistic Data by USDA (,000 metric tons)

Corn	Soybean	Soy Oil	Soy Meal	Wheat
1155.3	1080.2	2.6	193.5	354.3
760.8	1010	1.9	86.6	275.6
1367.1	1354.9	-0.1	507.6	380.9
891.5	1371.9	4.4	437.4	662.7
997.8	972	-5.35	60.2	651.7
2427.4	808.5	0.7	371.5	273.2
857	621	4.8	358.8	544.6
566.9	377.7	0.7	451.7	321.7
778.7	703.9	-3.9	253	437.9
934.5	1938.7	-0.9	440.1	381.5
1063.5	1073.1	1.5	386.7	344.2
650.8	1497.9	1.8	274	406
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Historical Volatility	10 Days	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days
Soybean Futures	16.00	15.81	16.00	18.63
Soybean Oil Futures	32.40	30.09	27.38	28.59
Soybean Meal Futures	33.61	29.71	26.44	25.64
Corn Futures	19.81	20.38	19.81	27.38
Wheat Futures	29.81	30.13	31.00	38.00





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