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Grains and oilseeds ended the week on a high note. Corn and soybeans were up five consecutive days.

	Corn	Bean	Chi. Wheat	Meal	Oil
FI Est. Managed Fut. Only	248	246	53	94	88
FI Est. Managed Money F&O	255	250	51	95	88

Weather and Crop Progress

USDA Crop Progress Estimates As of: 10/18/2020

Good/Excellent Conditions	FI Estimate	Last Week	Year Ago	5-year Average*	Change
Winter Wheat	48	NA	64	51	
	FI Estimate	Last Week	Year Ago	5-year Average*	Change
Corn Harvested	72	60	38	57	12
Soybeans Harvested	89	75	57	73	14
Winter Wheat Planted	85	77	83	80	8

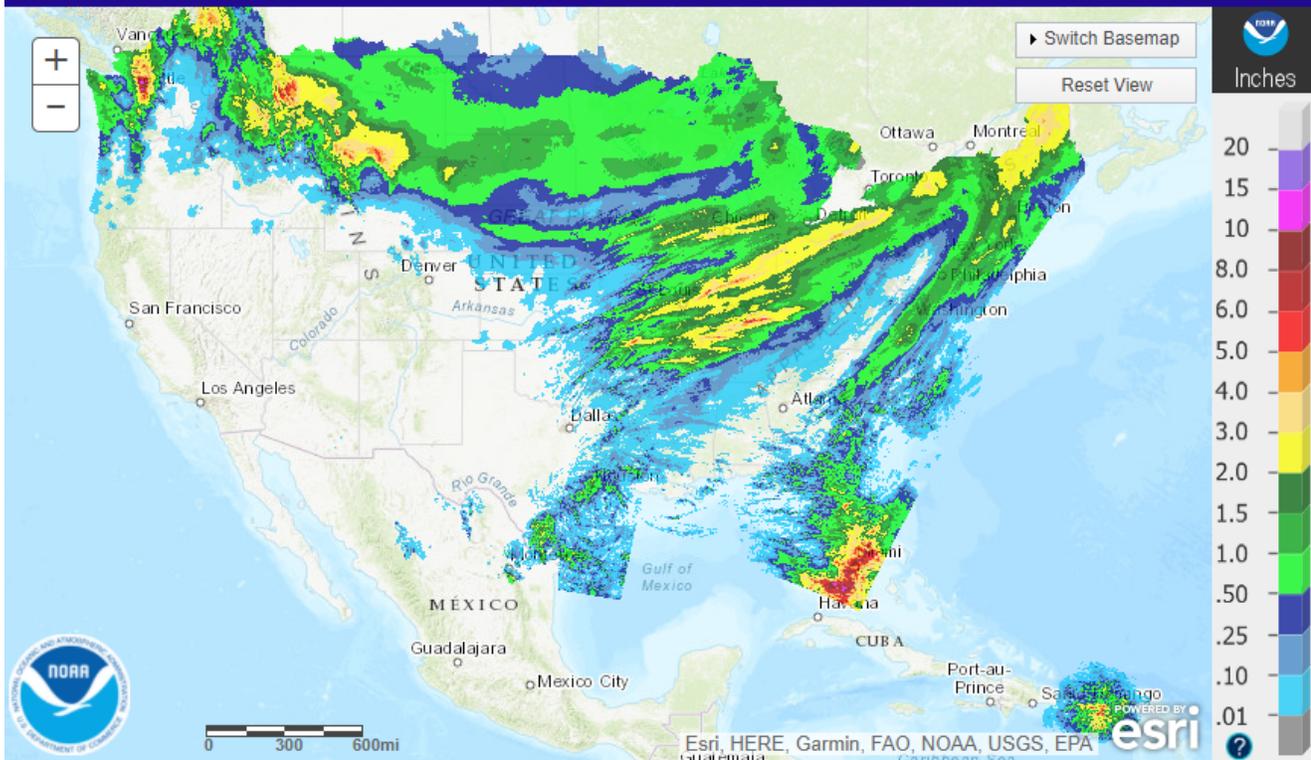
Source: FI, USDA, NASS *Conditions, Harvest and Planting progress for LY and 5-YR best guess

Displaying Last 7-Day Observed Precipitation
Valid on: October 22, 2020 12:00 UTC

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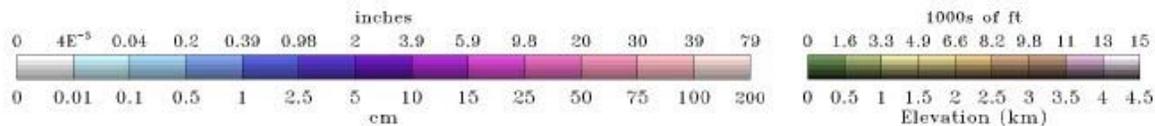
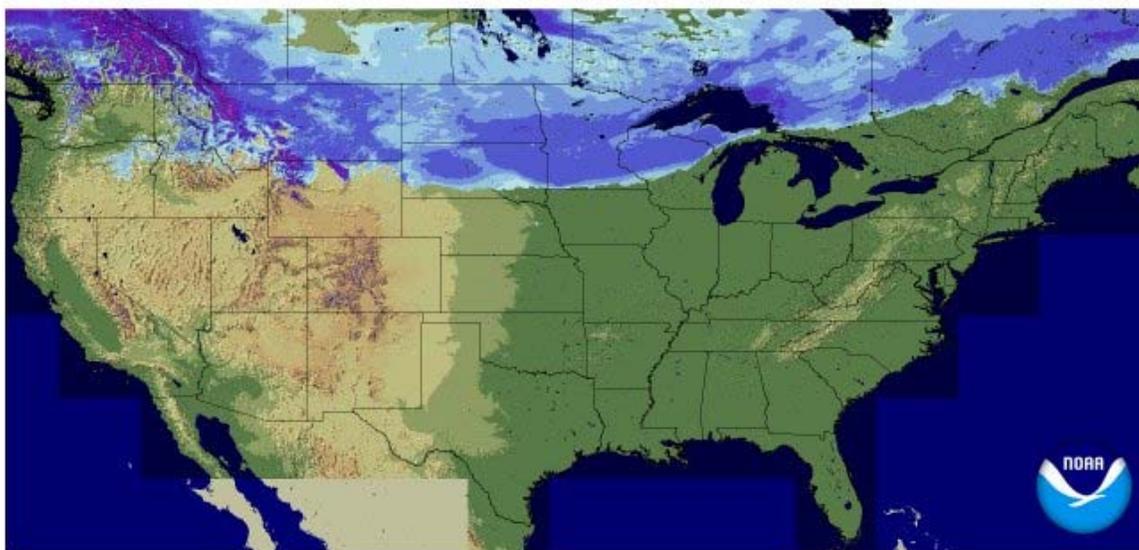
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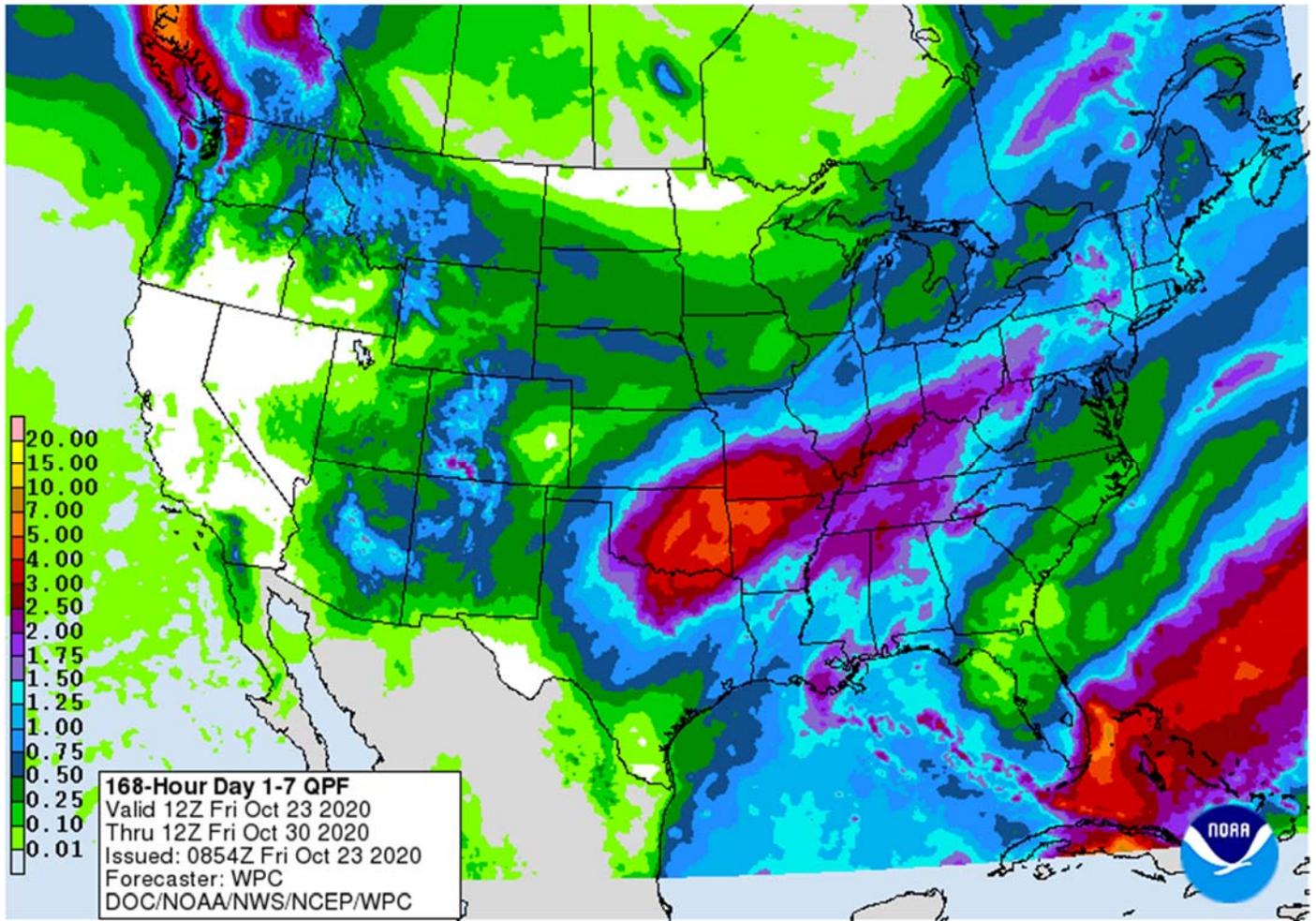
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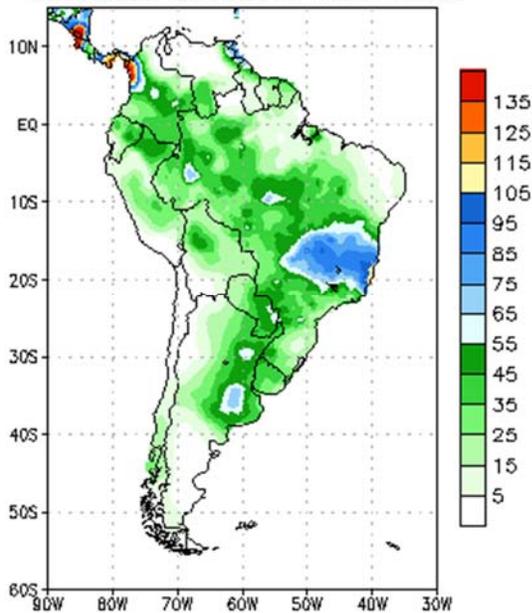
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NCEP GFS Ensemble Forecast 1-7 Day Precipitation (mm)
 from: 22Oct2020
 22Oct2020-28Oct2020 Accumulation



Bias correction based on last 30-day forecast error

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EARLY MORNING WEATHER UPDATE CHANGES OVERNIGHT

- European forecast model greatly increased precipitation in U.S. hard red winter wheat areas for next week
 - The increase was overdone and unlikely to verify
- European forecast model increased precipitation in Russia's Southern Region Oct. 30-Nov 2
 - This increase was overdone
 - The first week of the outlook remains mostly dry
- European model run is a little wetter in Brazil through Monday, but rain in Parana, Sao Paulo and neighboring areas is still advertised to be limited thereafter
- U.S. hard red winter wheat areas will receive some needed precipitation during the late weekend through early part of next week easing dryness, but follow up moisture will still be needed

MOST IMPORTANT WEATHER TO CONSIDER FOR WEEKEND

- Dryness will continue for much of the next week in Russia's Southern Region
 - Some showers are possible infrequently, but the amount of relief will be restricted
 - Remember that a part of this region did get some relief from dryness earlier this week
 - Temperatures will remain warmer than usual over the next week to ten days maintaining a favorable environment for winter crop establishment for those areas with topsoil moisture
 - There is potential for rain in the Oct. 30-Nov. 3 period, but it will be light
- Ukraine precipitation will be limited through the next ten days, but recent moisture has been helpful for winter crop establishment except in the far east where there is still a pressing need for significant moisture
- Kazakhstan is unlikely to get meaningful moisture in the next ten days, although some sporadic showers may evolve after the end of next week
- Argentina has received beneficial rain this week and more will occur this weekend
 - Rainfall Saturday and Sunday will range from 0.50 to 2.00 inches with local totals to 3.00 to 4.00 inches favoring the south and east
 - Follow up showers will produce 0.15 to 0.70 inch of moisture Tuesday and Wednesday
 - Mostly dry thereafter until Nov. 5 when showers develop in the far south and possibly shift to east-central areas Nov. 6-7 (confidence is low on this event)
- Argentina rain Thursday was not very great with amounts to 0.25 inch; however, some rain overnight in northeastern Santa Fe, southern Corrientes and southern Chaco varied from 0.35 to 0.68 inch with one location in southern Corrientes reporting an unconfirmed 3.06 inches through dawn
- Brazil will see rain in most of the nation during the coming ten days
 - Interior southern areas will receive the lightest amounts and may experience the most aggressive planting, although will have need for more rain in November
 - Center west into Minas Gerais and southern Bahia will receive frequent rainfall especially next week and into the first week of November possibly slowing fieldwork at times
 - Rain will be heaviest and most frequent from Goias into Minas Gerais where some farming activity could be slowed
- Brazil rainfall Thursday was erratic with northeastern Minas Gerais, central Goias, northwestern Mato Grosso, eastern Santa Catarina and southern Rio Grande do Sul reporting the most significant amounts
 - Moisture totals were rarely more than 0.60 inch through dawn today with as much as 1.00 inch in central Goias
- U.S. hard red winter wheat areas will receive snow, freezing rain, sleet and rain at various times from Sunday into Tuesday
 - Moisture totals will be light in western Kansas, southeastern Colorado, northwestern Texas Panhandle and more significant in other areas

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- The lighter precipitation areas will receive up to 0.20 inch of moisture
- Southwestern Nebraska to northeastern Colorado will receive up to 0.35 inch of moisture
- Southeastern Texas Panhandle and western Oklahoma will receive 0.20 to 0.60 inch of moisture
- Central Oklahoma to central and eastern wheat areas of Kansas will receive 0.25 to 0.75 inch of moisture with a few amounts over 1.00 inch
 - Greatest rain will be in north-central Texas to southeastern wheat areas in Oklahoma where 1.00 to 3.00 inches of rain may fall
- Snowfall will range from 3 to 6 inches and local totals to 8 inches from southwestern Nebraska to northeastern Colorado and 1 to 3 inches with local amounts of 4-5 inches elsewhere in the wheat region
 - Some snow will fall as far south western Texas and southwestern Oklahoma
- U.S. northern Plains and upper Midwest snow event Thursday produced 4 to 10 inches of snow with local totals to 12 inches from northern and central South Dakota and southern North Dakota into central and interior northern Minnesota
- U.S. Livestock stress will be ongoing this weekend in the northern Plains and will develop in the central Plains as temperatures plummet and snow begins to fly
- Extreme cold temperatures will occur in the Great Plains this weekend and early next week with lows in the negative and positive single digits into western Nebraska, northeastern Colorado and far northwestern Kansas
- U.S. harvest weather will deteriorate over the coming week due to waves of rain and some snow
- Harvest delays are expected in the Dakotas, Minnesota and Wisconsin through most of next week and possibly into the first days of November because of the region's deep snowpack and expected wet field conditions that will follow the snow melt
- North America warming is expected in the second half of next week through the first week in November and precipitation should be more limited favoring better harvest progress in areas that are not too wet
 - Some drying is needed before fieldwork can resume in the central Midwest as well as the northwestern Corn Belt
- U.S. Delta and southeastern states will experience waves of rain over the coming week the greatest of which will occur during the workweek next week
 - Delays in harvest progress will result
 - Drier weather will occur in the following week
 - Some heavy rain might evolve if tropical moisture streams north to merge with a mid-latitude storm system as advertised in some models today
- U.S. Pacific Northwest will receive rain and snow this weekend bringing a moisture boost to some crop areas while boosting mountain snowpack
- California and the southwestern United States will remain dry for much of the coming ten days
- Ontario and Quebec, Canada harvest delays will continue for one more week because of frequent precipitation
 - The region needs to dry out
- Canada's Prairies will experience a notable rain, freezing rain and snow event early next week, but most of this year's harvest is done
- Eastern Australia will be closely monitored for too much rain over the next few weeks, but for now most of the wheat, barley and canola is still rated favorably and rain expected will benefit the planting and emergence of dryland summer crops
- Western Australia is not likely to see much more than a few spotty showers in the far south over the next ten days
- South Australia, Victoria and southern New South Wales winter crop conditions remain very good with little change likely
- Hurricane Epsilon has passed to the east of Bermuda and should turn to the northeast away from North America this weekend posing no land impact

- Typhoon Saudel was located in the central South China Sea today and will move westerly through Saturday while slowly weakening
 - Landfall is expected in central Vietnam north of Hue late Sunday or early Monday
 - Heavy rain will bring on some additional flooding to water-logged areas of central Vietnam
- Follow up rainfall in Vietnam from a tropical wave early next week and another tropical cyclone during mid-week will result in total rainfall of 6.00 to 20.00 inches of rain by the latter part of next week along nearly all of the central Vietnam Coast
 - Damage to infrastructure, personal property and agriculture will continue with each of the three systems noted above
- A new tropical cyclone will form east of the Philippines this weekend and move across the heart of the nation Sunday and Monday before moving to Vietnam Tuesday and Wednesday
- A third tropical cyclone may evolve east of the Philippines late next week and into the following weekend that will threaten the nation; the first storm to impact the nation this week was Tropical Storm Saudel
- South Africa will experience showers erratically over the central and eastern parts of the nation during the coming week with some potential for greater rain in the following week
 - Generalized rain is needed to support spring and summer planting
 - La Nina should help ensure a good rainy season this summer
- India's monsoon will start withdrawing a little faster over the next several days ending rain and harvest delays in the west-central crop areas
 - Rain will fall frequently in far southern India and in the extreme east for much of the coming week to ten days
- Europe will experience increasing precipitation in the west over this coming week while eastern areas are relatively dry biased and a little warmer than usual
 - Winter crops are establishing well in much of the continent, despite less than ideal early season planting conditions
- China weather will be almost ideal for winter wheat and rapeseed planting and summer crop harvesting during the next ten days
 - Soil moisture will be good for quick winter crop germination and plant emergence
- Disturbed tropical weather in the Caribbean Sea and southeastern Gulf of Mexico the remainder of this week will be closely monitored for possible tropical cyclone development over the next week
 - Two systems may come out of the region with one moving over western Cuba and then moving to the Bahamas and then farther out to sea in the Atlantic next week
 - A second storm system may evolve and move across the Yucatan Peninsula and then into the central Gulf of Mexico where it might merge with a mid-latitude storm over the lower Mississippi River Basin next week
- Southern Oscillation Index fell during the weekend down to +8.18 and the index may begin to rise this weekend
- Southeast Asia rainfall over the next two weeks will be erratic, but all areas will be impacted multiple times supporting most crop needs; some flood potentials will gradually rise in localized areas
- Mexico precipitation will be scattered over far southern crop areas during the coming week
 - Net drying is expected for many other summer crop areas supporting crop maturation and harvest progress
- Central America will be wetter than usual over the next ten days to two weeks keeping late season crop maturation and harvest progress slow, but the moisture is improving long term water supply.
 - Some flooding is possible
- West-central Africa will experience erratic rain through the next ten days favoring coffee, cocoa, sugarcane, rice and other crops
 - Daily rainfall is expected to be decreasing as time moves along which is normal for this time of year
 - Cotton areas will benefit from drier weather

- East-central Africa rain will be erratic and light over the next couple of weeks, but most of Uganda and southwestern Kenya will be impacted while Tanzania and Ethiopia rainfall is erratic and light
 - Some heavy rain may fall in Uganda
- New Zealand rainfall will be increasing across North Island and western areas of South Island over the coming week
 - Temperatures will be seasonable with a slight cooler bias in the south

Source: World Weather Inc.

Bloomberg Ag Calendar

Friday, Oct. 23:

- **China customs publishes trade data on imports of corn, wheat, sugar and cotton**
- ICE Futures Europe weekly commitments of traders report, 1:30pm (6:30pm London)
- CFTC commitments of traders weekly report on positions for various U.S. futures and options, 3:30pm
- FranceAgriMer weekly update on crop conditions
- Unica data on Brazil's cane crush, sugar production (tentative)
- **U.S. cattle on feed, poultry slaughter, 3pm**
- HOLIDAY: Thailand

Sunday, Oct. 25:

- China customs publishes country-wise soybean and pork import data

Monday, Oct. 26:

- USDA weekly corn, soybean, wheat export inspections, 11am
- U.S. crop conditions, harvesting progress for soybeans, corn, cotton, 4pm
- EU weekly grain, oilseed import and export data
- Monthly MARS bulletin on crop conditions in Europe
- Malaysian Oct. 1-25 palm oil export data
- Ivory Coast cocoa arrivals
- HOLIDAY: Hong Kong, New Zealand

Tuesday, Oct. 27:

- Virtual Palm Oil Conference, day 1
- EARNINGS: WH Group

Wednesday, Oct. 28:

- EIA U.S. weekly ethanol inventories, production, 10:30am
- Virtual Palm Oil Conference, day 2
- HOLIDAY: Indonesia

Thursday, Oct. 29:

- USDA weekly crop net-export sales for corn, soybeans, wheat, cotton, pork, beef, 8:30am
- Port of Rouen data on French grain exports
- Vietnam's General Statistics Office releases commodity trade data for October
- International Grains Council monthly report
- EARNINGS: ADM
- HOLIDAY: Indonesia, Malaysia

Friday, Oct. 30:

- ICE Futures Europe weekly commitments of traders report, 1:30pm (6:30pm London)
- CFTC commitments of traders weekly report on positions for various U.S. futures and options, 3:30pm
- FranceAgriMer weekly update on crop conditions
- U.S. agricultural prices paid, received, 3pm
- HOLIDAY: Indonesia

Source: Bloomberg and FI

CFTC Commitment of Traders

Traditional Daily Estimate of Funds 10/20/20

	Corn	Bean	Chi. Wheat	Meal	Oil
Actual	329.9	259.9	46.5	100.2	110.8
Estimated*	311.0	273.8	68.8	108.2	109.0
Difference	18.9	(13.9)	(22.3)	(8.0)	1.8

*Estimated as of Tuesday

Source: Reuters, CFTC & FI (FI est. are noted with latest date)

TRADITIONAL FUNDS net position changes

Wed to Tue, in 000 contracts

	Corn	Bean	Meal	Oil	Chi. Wheat	KC Wheat	Min Wheat
Futures Only	69.9	5.1	3.0	(0.2)	3.7	4.9	6.7
Futures & Options Combined	64.8	4.4	4.9	0.6	6.8	5.1	6.9

MANAGED MONEY net position changes

	Corn	Bean	Meal	Oil	Chi. Wheat	KC Wheat	Min Wheat
Futures Only	54.6	8.3	4.7	(0.4)	11.6	5.3	6.3
Futures & Options Combined	48.0	5.4	4.6	(0.2)	11.1	5.9	6.3

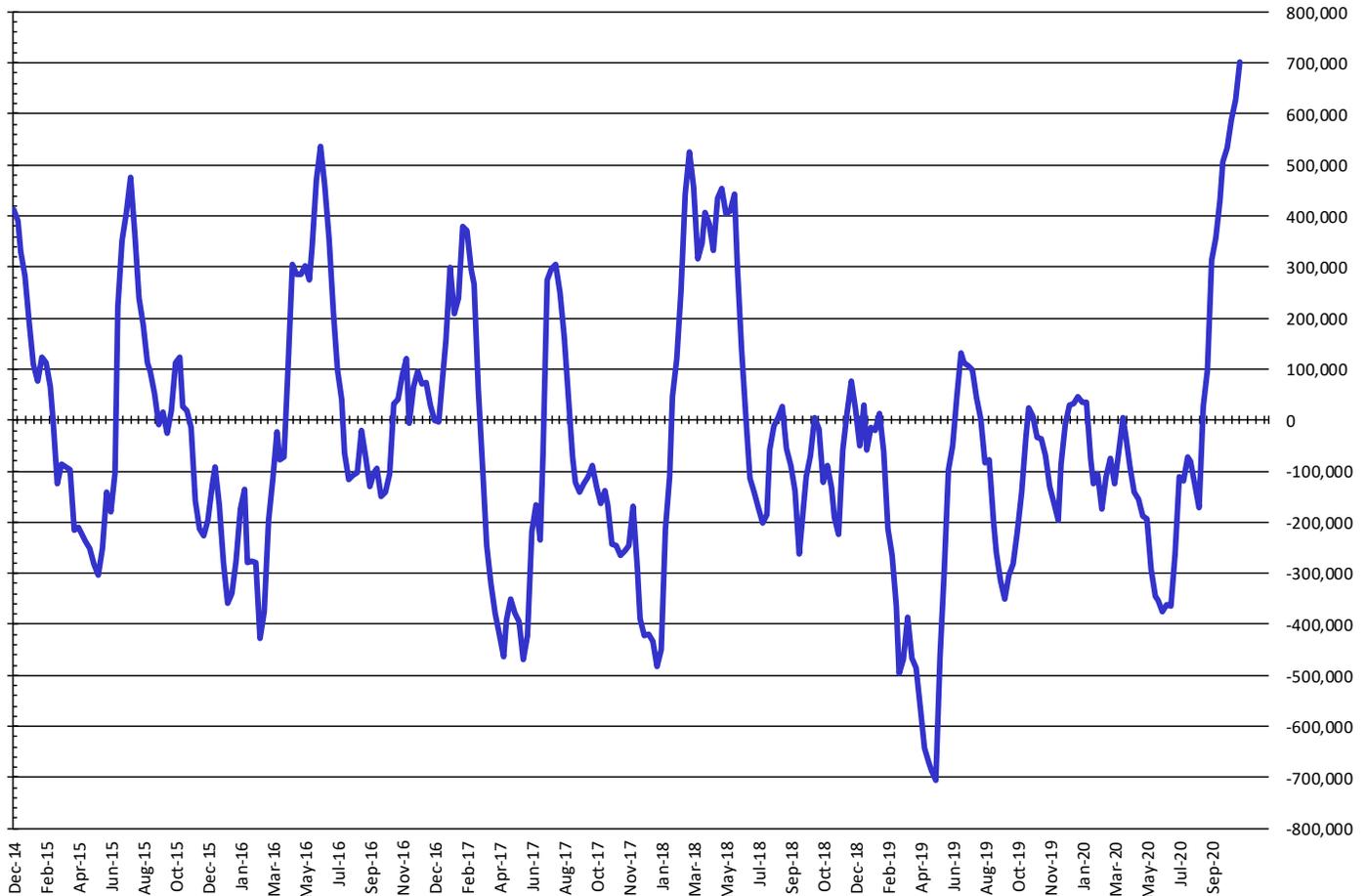
OPEN INTEREST net position changes

Wed to Tue, in 000 contracts

	Corn	Bean	Meal	Oil	Chi. Wheat	KC Wheat	Min Wheat
Futures Only	71.5	(5.5)	(3.3)	(4.9)	28.2	5.1	7.0
Futures & Options Combined	146.3	8.6	4.6	(2.7)	56.4	14.6	7.2

	Corn	Bean	Chi. Wheat	Meal	Oil
FI Est. Managed Fut. Only	248	246	53	94	88
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**NET POSITION FUTURES AND OPTIONS OF SWAP AND MANAGED FUNDS IN
COMBINED SRW, HRW, CORN, SOYBEANS, SOYMEAL AND SOYOIL**



— Net Managed Money

Source: CFTC and FI

SUPPLEMENTAL	Non-Comm		Indexes		Comm	
	Net	Chg	Net	Chg	Net	Chg
Corn	240,281	64,948	330,383	4,791	-509,863	-78,208
Soybeans	189,163	1,535	199,492	-1,813	-380,294	-6,238
Soyoil	66,521	695	114,420	17	-196,837	2,070
CBOT wheat	23,860	7,435	127,962	-2,117	-131,799	-5,144
KCBT wheat	16,563	4,200	65,859	822	-83,334	-6,137

FUTURES + OPTS	Managed		Swaps		Producer	
	Net	Chg	Net	Chg	Net	Chg
Corn	218,825	47,956	173,633	6,944	-469,159	-80,191
Soybeans	231,892	5,447	122,303	-3,408	-373,040	-7,461
Soymeal	81,624	4,555	86,614	2,700	-216,733	-10,109
Soyoil	82,034	-154	97,291	3,276	-214,368	-1,099
CBOT wheat	49,728	11,138	73,154	-6,462	-112,499	-184
KCBT wheat	38,146	5,950	45,977	270	-83,138	-6,521
MGEX wheat	4,492	6,266	2,291	47	-12,422	-9,005
Total wheat	92,366	23,354	121,422	-6,145	-208,059	-15,710

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Live cattle	34,941	-21,096	73,330	-2,124	-117,732	17,050
Feeder cattle	-8,531	-4,696	6,286	1,168	262	2,986
Lean hogs	42,058	4,905	52,430	1,092	-97,034	-2,009
	Other		NonReport		Open	
	Net	Chg	Net	Chg	Interest	Chg
Corn	137,501	16,821	-60,800	8,469	2,150,651	146,249
Soybeans	27,205	-1,095	-8,359	6,517	1,326,365	8,562
Soymeal	22,345	309	26,151	2,545	522,739	4,604
Soyoil	19,149	760	15,896	-2,782	526,968	-2,692
CBOT wheat	9,640	-4,317	-20,025	-175	592,895	56,386
KCBT wheat	-1,897	-815	911	1,116	279,840	14,610
MGEX wheat	3,176	653	2,464	2,040	74,258	7,179
Total wheat	10,919	-4,479	-16,650	2,981	946,993	78,175
Live cattle	19,851	3,407	-10,389	2,763	316,579	1,228
Feeder cattle	1,647	-1,169	337	1,711	51,454	3,710
Lean hogs	14,392	-2,688	-11,847	-1,299	270,736	-20,520

Source: Reuters, CFTC and Reuters

FI ESTIMATES FOR US EXPORT INSPECTIONS

Million Bushels	FI Estimates	Last Week	5-Year Ave.
WHEAT	11 to 18	8.8	13.6
CORN	28 to 35	35.9	20.4
SOYBEANS	70 to 83	79.9	79.9

Million Tons	FI Estimates	Last Week	5-Year Ave.
WHEAT	300 to 500	239.7	370.6
CORN	700 to 900	911.0	519.0
SOYBEANS	1,900 to 2,250	2,173.5	2173.7

Source: USDA & FI

China selected commodity imports

	September 2020 (tons)	% change y/y (last year)	YTD (tonnes)	% change y/y (last year)
Corn	1.08 mln	675%	6.67 mln	73%
Wheat	1.07 mln	585%	6.06 mln	168%
Barley	1.34 mln	57.10%	4.64 mln	1%
Sorghum	570,000	356.10%	3.5 mln	462.80%
Pork	380,000	121.60%	3.29 mln	132.20%
Sugar	540,000	29%	2.77 mln	16%

Source: FI, Reuters, China AgMin

Macros

US Markit Manufacturing PMI Oct P: 53.3 (est 53.5; prev 53.2)

- Services PMI Oct P: 56.0 (est 54.6; prev 54.6)

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- Composite PMI Oct P: 55.0 (prev 54.3)

Corn.

- Corn futures traded at a fresh 14-month high bias the nearby contract and December closed 3.0 cents higher at \$4.1925/bu. Looks like the December/March corn contracts may soon trade inverse. As it should. We see much of the US corn export demand during the late December through April period.
- Chatter overnight was a Reuters story talking about China imports of grains may surge as the government may increase corn import quotas. Set at 7.2 million tons, it could rise to at least 15 million tons, in our opinion, after China booked 12 million tons of US corn and 5 million tons from Ukraine and other countries.
- China corn imports were 6.7 million tons during the first 9 months of 2020. That's the highest in 15 years. September corn imports were 1.08 million tons.
- China corn futures rose to a 14-month high.
- USD was 18 lower as of 1:26 pm CT, and crude was \$0.73 lower.
- US corn basis was up 5 cents at Seneca, IL to option, Cedar Rapids up 3 to option, and Blair, NE up 5 to 11 under.
- French corn harvesting progress was running at 77 percent as of October 19, up from 64 percent previous week and compares to 42 percent year ago. AGPM, a French growing group, warned of disappointing French corn crop, at 13.6 million tons, below the AgMin estimate of 13.8 million tons.
- Ukraine harvested 83 percent of their grain crop, or 48.8 million tons from 12.7 million hectares.
- Germany ASF: 5 new cases; 91 cases since September 10
- South Africa Reuters poll: New crop corn area 2.64 million hectares (2020-21), up 8.3 percent, or 2.4 million hectares. White was estimated at 1.6 million for 2020-21. The poll also called for 2019-20 South African corn production to end up near 15.353 million tons, down from 15.422 million tons projected in September.
- **USDA Cattle on Feed report showed a huge year over year increase in placements and fed placements. September 1 on feed was slightly above expectations. That's supportive corn.**

RFA letter to recommend reciprocal tariffs on ethanol imports from Brazil

<https://ethanolrfa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/RFA-Letter-to-President-Re-Brazil-Ethanol-Trade-10-22-20.pdf>

CATTLE ON FEED SUMMARY (1,000 HEAD, PERCENT OF A YEAR AGO)

Item	Actual 2019	Actual 2020	Percent of Previous Year	Average of Estimates	Actual less Estimates	Range of Estimates
Sep. 1 On Feed (Ending Inventory)	10,982	11,394	103.8%	NA	NA	NA
Placed on Feed during Aug.	2,103	2,227	105.9%	102.5%	3.4%	98.9-106.5%
Fed Cattle Marketed during Aug.	1,738	1,846	106.2%	105.8%	0.4%	104.9-106.7%
Sep. 1 On Feed (Ending Inventory)	11,288	11,717	103.8%	103.2%	0.6%	102.7-103.9%

Source: Reuters, USDA and FI Placements and Sales estimates in million head are derived using Reuters average %

Corn Export Developments

- Under the 24-hour announcement system, private exporters sold 100,000 tons of corn to unknown.
- Iran passed on 200,000 tons of barley and 200,000 tons of corn due to high prices.

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USDA 24-hour

Date reported	Value (tonnes)	Commodity	Destination	Year
23-Oct	100,000	Corn	Unknown	2020-21
22-Oct	152,404	Soybeans	Mexico	2020-21
22-Oct	130,000	White Wheat	South Korea	2020-21
22-Oct	132,000	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
20-Oct	132,000	Soybeans	unknown	2020-21
19-Oct	123,000	Corn	Mexico	2020-21
19-Oct	345,000	Corn	Unknown	2020-21
16-Oct	128,000	Corn	Mexico	2020-21
16-Oct	175,000	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
16-Oct	216,150	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
15-Oct	261,000	Soybeans	China	2020-21
14-Oct	420,000	Corn	China	2020-21
14-Oct	264,000	Soybeans	China	2020-21
13-Oct	110,000	Corn	Mexico	2020-21
8-Oct	374,000	Soybeans	China	2020-21
8-Oct	152,404	Soybeans	Mexico	2020-21
8-Oct	132,000	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
7-Oct	132,000	Soybeans	China	2020-21
7-Oct	120,000	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
6-Oct	154,400	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
5-Oct	160,020	Corn	Mexico	2020-21
2-Oct	264,000	Soybeans	China	2020-21
2-Oct	252,000	Soybeans	Unknown	2020-21
1-Oct	120,000	Soybeans	Egypt	2020-21

Corn	Change	Oats	Change	Ethanol	Settle			
DEC0	420.00	3.75	DEC0	303.75	0.25	NOV0	1.52	Spot DDGS IL
MAR1	420.25	2.00	MAR1	302.25	(1.25)	DEC0	1.50	Cash & CBOT
MAY1	421.75	2.00	MAY1	302.25	2.25	JAN1	1.48	Corn + Ethanol
JUL1	420.75	1.50	JUL1	302.00	1.25	FEB1	1.48	Crush
SEP1	398.00	(2.25)	SEP1	289.00	1.25	MAR1	1.48	1.57
DEC1	394.00	(2.50)	DEC1	289.25	1.25	APR1	1.50	

Soybean/Corn	Ratio	Spread	Change	Wheat/Corn	Ratio	Spread	Change	
NOV0	DEC0	2.59	666.75	9.25	DEC0	1.51	214.50	8.00
MAR1	MAR1	2.55	650.25	9.75	MAR1	1.51	214.00	8.50
MAY1	MAY1	2.52	641.75	6.50	MAY1	1.50	210.25	7.25
JUL1	JUL1	2.52	640.50	4.00	JUL1	1.47	198.25	4.50
SEP1	SEP1	2.55	616.50	5.25	SEP1	1.56	223.00	7.75
NOV1	DEC1	2.50	589.25	3.25	DEC1	1.59	232.00	7.00

US Corn Basis & Barge Freight

Gulf Corn	BRAZIL Corn Basis	Chicago	+	z	unch
OCT +85 / 93 Z up2/up5	JLY +75 / 100 n	up2/unch	Toledo	-15	z unch
NOV +82 / 87 z up1/up1	AUG +70 / 78 u	up5/dn10	Decatur	+5	z unch
DEC 36 dn1/up1	SEP +70 / 88 u	up2/up3	Dayton	-5	unch
JAN +80 / 85 h unch	0-Jan		Cedar Rapi	dec price	up3
FEB +81 / 86 h up2/unch			Burns Harb	dec price	unch
USD/ton: Ukraine Odessa \$ 225.00			Memphis-Cairo Barge Freight (offer)		
US Gulf 3YC Fob Gulf Seller (RTRS) 230.7 229.5 228.3 226.5 224.5 216.6			BrgF MTCT OCT	500	unchanged
China 2YC Maize Cif Dalian (DCE) 377.8 382.0 384.8 385.8 384.8 384.5			BrgF MTCT NOV	475	unchanged
Argentina Yellow Maize Fob UpRiver - 234.7 242.6 - - 210.5			BrgF MTCT DEC	350	unchanged

Source: FI, DJ, Reuters & various trade sources

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December corn is seen in a \$4.00-\$4.40 range

China could easily change the global balance sheet if they boost corn imports above 15 million tons in 2021.

Soybean complex.

- Soybeans traded two-sided, lower on profit taking and improving SA weather, but turned higher into the close on fund buying. Soybean meal also traded two-sided. The front month contracts also rallied into the close. Some of the strength in soybean meal was the devaluation of the Argentine currency, with the unofficial "blue" peso rate falling to 190:1 against the USD. This is well away from the values of the official Argentine peso at 78:1 against the USD. Devaluation of the currency usually limits producer selling. Soybean oil was on the defensive early due to demand uncertainty as a second Covid-19 wave spreads across the globe but turned higher after soybeans rallied.
- November soybeans led the rally late and settle 10 cents higher. Jan crush was last at 1.2450 and March at 1.1050. December soybean meal settled at \$386.50, up \$4.00, but the contract failed to test yesterday's high. December soybean oil settled near its session high at 34.11, up 42 points.
- US ECB soybean basis firmed this week as crushers compete with barge business as demand for soybeans is very strong at the Gulf. Today we heard Claypool took their soybean bid to +20F and +20H.
- We heard China bought 4 US soybean cargoes late Thursday out of the PNW and Gulf. They were inquiring for Q1 Brail shipment but no trades were heard of. USDA did not report any 24-hour soybean sales. It was rumored the 20,000-ton USDA export sales sale announced in the weekly report for China

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was an error and should have been soybean oil. USDA did not make a correction as of Friday early afternoon.

- Offshore values this morning were leading CBOT soybean oil 17 lower (77 higher for the week to date) and meal \$2.60 lower (\$2.70 higher for the week to date).
- China cash crush margins were 95 cents on our calculation (vs. 96 from previous session) compared to 88 last week and 125 year ago.

Oilseeds Export Developments

- South Korea's NOFI bought 117,000 tons of soybean meal from South America for 2021 shipment.
 - 58,000 tons at \$470.95 a ton c&f for arrival in South Korea around Apr. 8.
 - 59,000 tons at \$441.49 a ton c&f for arrival in South Korea around May 20.
- Syria seeks 50,000 tons of soybean meal and 50,000 tons of corn on October 26 for delivery within four months of contract.

Soybeans		Change	Soybean Meal		Change	Soybean Oil		Change
NOV0	1086.75	13.00	DEC0	386.80	4.40	DEC0	34.15	0.46
JAN1	1085.00	12.75	JAN1	380.10	4.60	JAN1	33.98	0.43
MAR1	1070.50	11.75	MAR1	367.70	2.80	MAR1	33.78	0.35
MAY1	1063.50	8.50	MAY1	358.10	1.30	MAY1	33.64	0.28
JUL1	1061.25	5.50	JUL1	353.70	0.10	JUL1	33.55	0.19
AUG1	1049.00	3.00	AUG1	347.20	(0.80)	AUG1	33.32	0.12
SEP1	1014.50	3.00	SEP1	339.00	(0.50)	SEP1	33.04	0.14

Soybeans	Spread	Change	SoyMeal	Spread	Change	SoyOil	Spread	Change
Nov/Jan	-1.75	(0.25)	Dec/Jan	-6.70	0.20	Dec/Jan	-0.17	(0.03)

Electronic Beans Crush		Oil as %	Meal/Oil \$	Meal	Oil		
Month	Margin	of Oil&Meal	Con. Value	Value	Value		
NOV0/DEC0	139.86	DEC0 30.63%	\$ 18,190	850.96	375.65		
JAN1	125.00	JAN1 30.89%	\$ 17,622	836.22	373.78	EUR/USD	1.1859
MAR1	110.02	MAR1 31.48%	\$ 16,502	808.94	371.58	Brazil Real	5.6199
MAY1	94.36	MAY1 31.96%	\$ 15,626	787.82	370.04	Malaysia Bid	4.1550
JUL1	85.94	JUL1 32.17%	\$ 15,240	778.14	369.05	China RMB	6.6843
AUG1	81.36	AUG1 32.43%	\$ 14,728	763.84	366.52	AUD	0.7133
SEP1	94.74	SEP1 32.76%	\$ 14,076	745.80	363.44	CME Bitcoin	12840
NOV1/DEC1	95.52	OCT1 33.14%	\$ 13,344	724.68	359.26	3M Libor	0.2165
JAN2	94.18	DEC1 33.17%	\$ 13,252	720.94	357.83	Prime rate	3.2500
MAR2	93.25	JAN2 33.18%	\$ 13,212	719.40	357.28		

US Soybean Complex Basis			
OCT	+89 / 95 x unch		DECATUR +15 f up5
NOV	+89 / 93 x unch	IL SBM	Z-2 10/20/2020 SIDNEY -15 x unch
DEC	+89 / 92 f unch	CIF Meal	Z+28 10/20/2020 CHICAGO -5 x unch
JAN	+88 / 93 f unch	Oil FOB NOLA	475 10/16/2020 TOLEDO -12 x unch
FEB	nq na	Decatur Oil	75 10/16/2020 BRNS HRBR -15 x unch
			C. RAPIDS -15 f unch

Brazil Soybeans Paranagua fob		Brazil Meal Paranagua		Brazil Oil Paranagua	
NOV	+310 / +320 x dn30/unch	NOV	+33 / +36 x up1/dn2	DEC	+600 / +850 z unch
FEB	+124 / +138 f up2/up10	DEC	+29 / +35 z dn1/up1	JAN	+520 / +600 f dn10/unch
MCH	+92 / +96 h up2/up1	JAN	+28 / +35 f unch/up1	FEB	+360 / +600 f dn10/up20
APR	+82 / +86 k up3/up2	FEB	+25 / +30 f up5/unch	MCH	+280 / +400 h unch
MAY	+85 / +90 k up3/up4	MCH	+12 / +15 f up2/up1	APR	+170 / +300 k up20/unch
	Argentina meal	414 33.5	Argentina oil	Spot fob	38.0 4.03

Source: FI, DJ, Reuters & various trade sources

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November soybeans are seen in a \$10.60-\$11.25 range

December soybean meal is seen in a \$370-\$4.10 range

December soybean oil is seen in a 33.50-35.00 range

Wheat

- US soft red wheat futures were trading near a six year high in large part to fresh global import tenders that included the US, and lower USD. Egypt bought 165,000 tons of wheat (more than \$20 higher than last month of Russian wheat!) and Taiwan bought US wheat. Chicago settled 10 cents higher, KC 9.50 cents higher and MN 1.50 cents higher, bias December positions.

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- We estimate the initial US winter wheat rating at 48 percent for the combined good and excellent categories, compared to 64 percent last year and 51 percent average.
- French wheat planting progress was running at 45 percent as of October 19, up from 12 percent previous week and compares to 27 percent year ago. Barley plantings were 60 percent versus 48 percent year ago.
- Egypt plans to sow 3.63 million acres of wheat, up slightly from last year.
- Ukrainian milling wheat prices to a 21-month high of \$255 per ton FOB Black Sea, according to APK- Inform.
- Russian wheat shipments in season that began July 1 totaled 16.4m tons as of Oct.20 the Federal Center of Quality & Safety Assurance for Grain & Grain Products said Thursday on its website, citing inspections before exports. NOTE: The figure means wheat exports totaled about 1.7m tons in the week to Oct. 20, up about 600,000 tons from a week earlier. Russian exports of all grains have reached 19.5m tons so far this season. (Bloomberg)
- Pakistan's Federal Committee on Agriculture is aiming for 26.8 million tons of wheat output across 9.2 million planted hectares next year, the food security ministry said Thursday in a statement. (Bloomberg)
- Paris (Matif) December wheat was up 0.75 at 209.75 euros.

U.S. Wheat Associates 2020 Crop Quality Report

<https://www.uswheat.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2020-USW-Crop-Quality-Report-English.pdf>

Export Developments.

- Egypt's GASC bought 165,000 tons of Russian wheat for Dec. 1-10 and Dec 11-20 shipment.
 - 55,000 tons of Russian wheat at \$262.97 and \$14.90 freight, equating to \$277.87, for shipment Dec. 1-10.
 - 55,000 tons of Russian wheat at \$263.97 and \$14.90 freight, equating to \$278.87, for shipment Dec. 11-20.
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- Taiwan bought 88,635 tons of US wheat, various class, for De/Jan shipment.
- South Korea's NOFI bought 65,000 tons of US feed wheat at \$266.45/ton c&f for arrival in May 2021.
- South Korea's MFG bought 65,000 tons of optional origin feed wheat at \$266.60/ton c&f for arrival around May 30, 2021.
- Jordan seeks 120,000 tons of feed barley on October 27, optional origin, for LH December through FH March shipment.
- Jordan seeks 120,000 tons of wheat on October 28 for Feb/Mar shipment.
- Sudan seeks 1 million tons of wheat through US assistance.

Rice/Other

- Results awaited: Mauritius seeks 5,500 tons of white rice on October 20 for Dec 15-Mar 15, 2021 delivery.

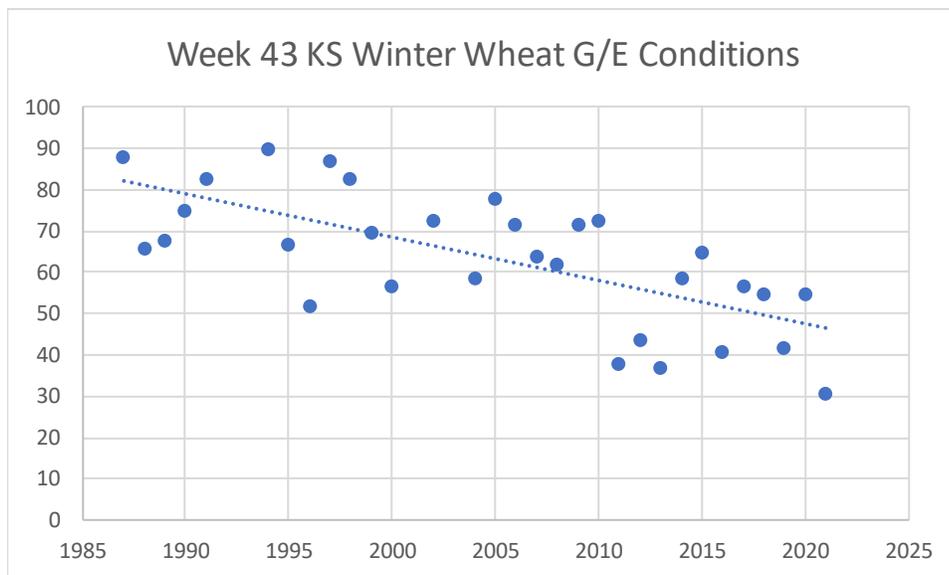
Chicago Wheat		Change	KC Wheat		Change	MN Wheat Settle		Change
DEC0	634.50	11.75	DEC0	571.00	10.75	DEC0	577.25	2.75
MAR1	634.25	10.50	MAR1	577.75	9.75	MAR1	586.75	4.00
MAY1	632.00	9.25	MAY1	583.50	9.50	MAY1	591.00	3.25
JUL1	619.00	6.00	JUL1	586.50	8.75	JUL1	595.25	3.00
SEP1	621.00	5.50	SEP1	591.25	8.50	SEP1	591.75	0.25
DEC1	626.00	4.50	DEC1	598.00	7.75	DEC1	598.00	1.50
MAR2	628.25	4.75	MAR2	602.00	7.50	MAR2	596.75	(0.75)

Chicago Rice		Change						
NOV0	12.35	0.125	JAN1	12.52	0.060	MAR1	12.66	0.050

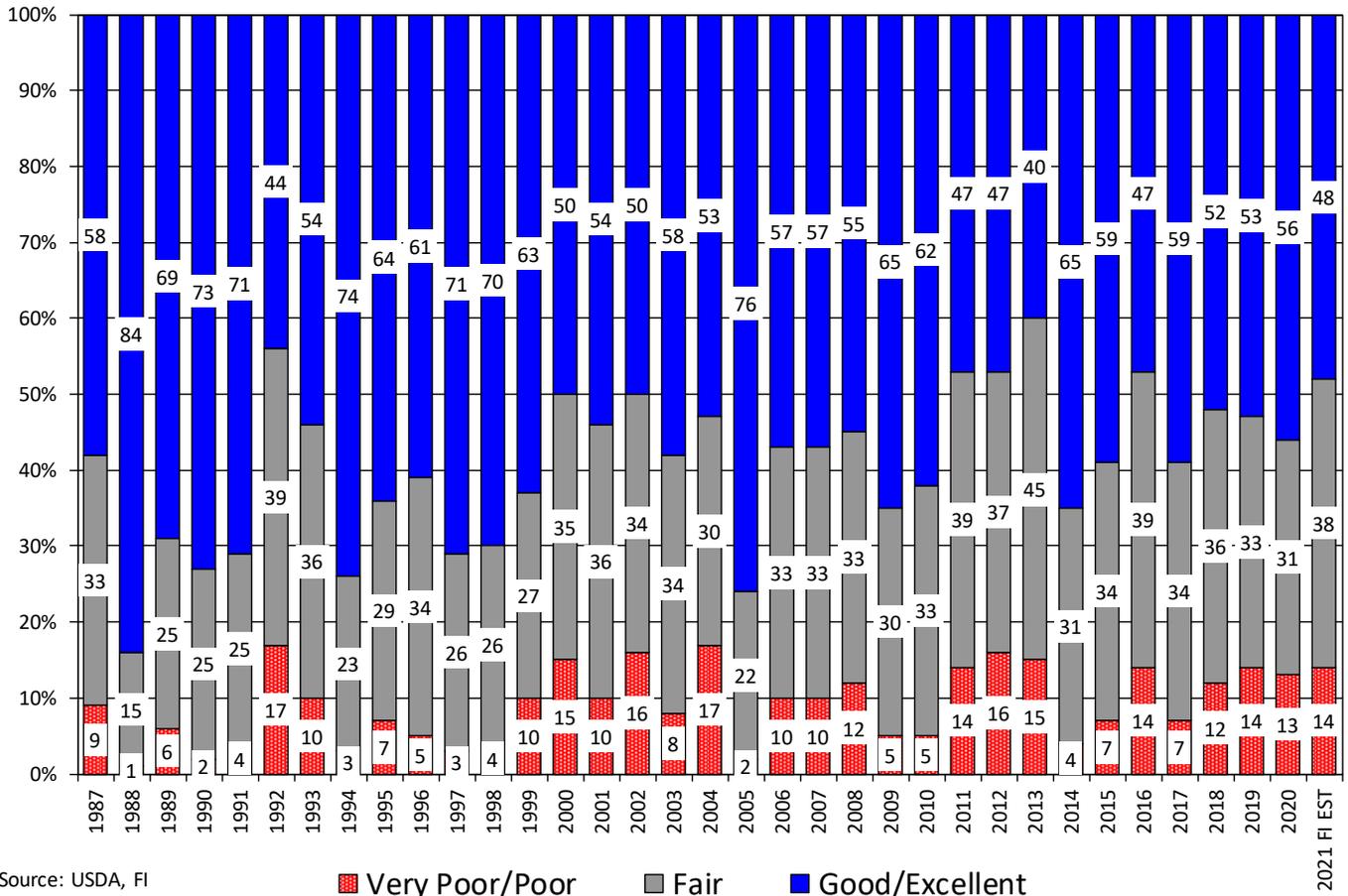
US Wheat Basis					
Gulf SRW Wheat		Gulf HRW Wheat		Chicago mill	-10 z unch
OCT	+65 / 73 z unch	OCT	160 / z unch	Toledo	-20 z unch
NOV	+65 / 77 z unch	NOV	165 / z up3	PNW US Soft White 10.5% protein	
DEC	+75 / 83 z unch	DEC	165 / z up3	PNW Jan	630 unchanged
JAN	+65 / 68 h unch	JAN	160 / h unch	PNW Feb	630 unchanged
0-Jan		FEB	160 / h unch		

Paris Wheat		Change	OI	OI Change	World Prices \$/ton		Change
DEC0	210.00	1.00	215,710	10,853	US SRW FOB	\$278.40	\$2.60
MAR1	209.75	2.00	140,106	7,723	US HRW FOB	\$283.00	\$3.50
MAY1	208.00	2.00	55,627	579	Rouen FOB 11%	\$247.22	\$1.75
SEP1	191.25	0.75	31,054	532	Russia FOB 12%	\$248.00	\$9.00
EUR	1.1857				Ukr. FOB feed (Odessa)	\$218.50	\$0.00
					Arg. Bread FOB 12%	\$254.26	\$0.00

Source: FI, DJ, Reuters & various trade sources



Initial US Winter Wheat Condition (date varies by crop year)



Source: USDA, FI

Very Poor/Poor Fair Good/Excellent

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December Chicago wheat is seen in a \$6.10-6.60 range

December KC wheat is seen in a \$5.50-\$6.10 range

December MN wheat is seen in a \$5.55-\$6.20 range