

DAILY GRAINS COMMENTARY Monday May 13, 2024

DAILY SOY COMPLEX COMMENTARY 5/13/2024

USDA bearish but market reacts higher

OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT): SOY BEANS -0.1, BEAN OIL +0.0, SOYMEAL -0.5

OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS: Soybeans (JUL 24) prices overnight are down -4 1/2; Soymeal (JUL 24) down -4.00; and Soyoil (JUL 24) up 0.41. Soybean open interest as of May 10 was up 13,359 contracts, soymeal down 1,108 contracts, and soybean oil up 3,371. Chinese Dalian (JUL 24) Soybeans down 0.80%, Soymeal up 0.17%, Soyoil up 0.68%, Palm oil up 0.63%. Malaysian Palm was up 1.52%. Global



equity markets overnight were mostly lower with declines him modest across the board. Critical economic news released overnight included a slight downtick in New Zealand NZ PSI for the month of April, a significant jump/rebound in New Zealand food price index readings for April, a slight softening of Australian banks business conditions for April, and a residually negative Swiss SECO Consumer Climate reading for the second quarter. The North American session will start out with a March reading on Canadian building permits which are expected to have a sharp decline from February's 9.3% reading. The New York Fed's April reading on 1-year consumer inflation expectations are forecast to have a minimal uptick from March's 3.0% reading. Fed Vice Chair Jefferson and Cleveland Fed President Mester will speak during morning US trading hours.

NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS: The bull camp retains the edge today despite some minor profittaking overnight, based on technical strength and Friday's strong close in the face of a bearish USDA report. While longer term fundamentals are not bullish, last week's bounce off retracement resistance and uncertainty over crop losses due to southern Brazil flooding is expected to offer underlying support. The weekend was mostly dry in the bulk of the Midwest, but some overnight rains have been seen in southeast lowa, eastern Nebraska and south-central Kansas with additional rains expected across the Eastern corn belt later this week. The Gulf states will see very heavy rains over the next 10 days. Soybean planting is expected to be near 45% this afternoon. The Biden Administration is expected to put tariffs on Chinese electric vehicles and other goods, possibly including used cooking oil, which has replaced some soyoil usage in renewable diesel. Friday's report reaction was surprisingly strong based on the larger new crop US carryout than expected and only a minor 1 million tonne cut to Brazil production, leaving the large discrepancy between CONAB and USDA intact. The larger than expected new crop world carryout was a new record high. CONAB will update their production number on Tuesday. While the new crop balance sheet numbers were bearish, prices had pulled back last week mitigating some of the bearish reaction. StoneX lowered their Brazil crop estimate 3 million tonnes to 147.8 million due to the southern Brazil flooding and compares to USDA at 154 million. Rio Grande do Sul had another round of heavy rains over the weekend and more is expected this week. CFTC data showed the largest week of managed Money buying since 2019, having bought 108,000 contracts leaving a net short of 41,000 contracts, their least bearish stance since January. Meal also experienced significant fund buying to the tune of 44,000 contracts, leaving a net long of 88,000 contracts, their most bullish since December. July beans have remained inside Friday's trading range overnight, which makes 1222 1/2 nearby resistance and Friday's low of 1204 1/2 close-in support. There is enough weather uncertainty in the US and Brazil to support breaks until the US crop gets in the ground.

Soybeans positioning in the Commitments of Traders for the week ending May 7th showed Managed Money traders reduced their net short position by 107,783 contracts to a net short 41,453 contracts. CIT traders were net long 143,186 contracts after increasing their already long position by 23,598 contracts. Non-Commercial No CIT traders net bought 82,061 contracts and are now net short 80,011 contracts. Non-Commercial & Non-Reportable traders net short 70,962 contracts after decreasing their short position by 94,042 contracts.

The May 7th Commitments of Traders report showed Soyoil Managed Money traders net bought 1,176 contracts and are now net short 65,706 contracts. CIT traders were net long 127,445 contracts after decreasing their long position by 195 contracts. Non-Commercial No CIT traders reduced their net short position by 4,675 contracts to a net short 83,705 contracts. Non-Commercial & Non-Reportable traders were net short 54,123 contracts after decreasing their decreasing their short position by 5,968 contracts.

The May 7th Commitments of Traders report showed Soymeal Managed Money traders net bought 44,395 contracts and are now net long 87,991 contracts. CIT traders net bought 10,481 contracts and are now net long 114,060 contracts. Non-Commercial No CIT traders are net long 43,419 contracts after net buying 37,153 contracts. Non-Commercial & Non-Reportable traders net bought 51,440 contracts and are now net long 106,483 contracts.

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Despite bearish numbers from the USDA, the strong close Friday is likely to spur some further gains as parts of the US Midwest, especially southeast crop areas, will see wet weather delays. Southern Brazil will see additional unwanted rains as well. 1st resistance on July beans stands at 1222 1/2 and then 1230. Pullback support should be evident below 1205.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

Commitment of Traders - Futures and Options - 4/30/2024 - 5/7/2024									
	Ν	on-Commercial		Commercial		Non-Reportable			
		Weekly		Weekly		Weekly			
	Net Position	Net Change	Net Position	Net Change	Net Position	Net Change			
Grains									
Soybeans	-54,190	+101,798	70,962	-94,042	-16,772	-7,756			
Soymeal	84,107	+47,544	-106,484	-51,441	22,376	+3,896			
Soyoil	-56,744	+5,981	54,123	-5,968	2,621	-13			

SOYBEAN COMPLEX TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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SOYBEANS (JUL) 05/13/2024: Stochastics trending lower at midrange will tend to reinforce a move lower especially if support levels are taken out. The close above the 9-day moving average is a positive short-term indicator for trend. The daily closing price reversal up is a positive indicator that could support higher prices. It is a mildly bullish indicator that the market closed over the pivot swing number. The next downside target is 1198 1/4. The next area of resistance is around 1228 and 1234 1/4, while 1st support hits today at 1210 and below there at 1198 1/4.

SOYBEAN OIL (JUL) 05/13/2024: The daily stochastics have crossed over up which is a bullish indication. Momentum studies are rising from mid-range, which could accelerate a move higher if resistance levels are penetrated. The market now above the 18-day moving average suggests the intermediate-term trend has turned up. The market has a bullish tilt coming into today's trade with the close above the 2nd swing resistance. The near-term upside objective is at 46.16. The next area of resistance is around 45.48 and 46.16, while 1st support hits today at 43.40 and below there at 42.00.

SOYMEAL (JUL) 05/13/2024: Stochastics turning bearish at overbought levels will tend to support lower prices if support levels are broken. The market's close above the 9-day moving average suggests the short-term trend remains positive. The market tilt is slightly negative with the close under the pivot. The next downside objective is

now at 359.8. The next area of resistance is around 377.9 and 383.7, while 1st support hits today at 365.9 and below there at 359.8.

DAILY CORN COMMENTARY 5/13/2024

USDA new crop US carryout not as bearish as feared

OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT): CORN -0.2

OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS: Corn (JUL 24) prices overnight are down -2 1/4. Corn open interest as of May 10 was up 23,977 contracts. Chinese Dalian (JUL 24) Corn was up 0.20%.



close last week on the less bearish than expected USDA report, is likely

to provide support this week and we give the bull camp the edge. The US Gulf states will see very wet conditions Over the next 10 days and most of the Midwest, except for the far Western parts of the corn belt, will also see some precipitation. Corn seeding progress is expected to be near 50% complete on this afternoon's report. USDA raised ethanol output and exports on the old crop balance sheet, pulling ending stocks below guesses. On the new crop 2024/25 balance sheet USDA used a 181 yield, leaving ethanol unchanged from this season and taking exports another 70 million bushels higher from 2023/24 dropping new crop carryout below the average guess. USDA lowered Brazil production 2 million tonnes but the large discrepancy between USDA at 122 million tonnes and CONAB at 110.964 million remains unresolved. CONAB will update their numbers on Tuesday. New crop carryout for corn is by far the least burdensome of the grains and that provides underlying support on breaks. Argentina's Rosario Grain Exchange says the leafhopper infestation is expected to cost more than \$2 billion in crop damages. CFTC data showed managed money bought a huge 116,000 contracts as of Tuesday last week, the largest weekly buying since 2019, leaving them net short 102,000 contracts. If July corn can move above last week's high at 472, next significant resistance will be the 200-day moving average at 484 1/2 and retracement resistance at 490. Buying support should be seen on any breaks below 464.

The May 7th Commitments of Traders report showed Corn Managed Money traders were net short 102,513 contracts after decreasing their short position by 115,527 contracts. CIT traders were net long 320,588 contracts after increasing their already long position by 30,022 contracts. Non-Commercial No CIT traders net bought 91,396 contracts and are now net short 138,856 contracts. Non-Commercial & Non-Reportable traders reduced their net short position by 108,071 contracts to a net short 75,973 contracts.

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Friday's bullish USDA report should spur some additional buying early this week as the USDA confirmed the new crop corn balance sheet is expected to be the tightest of the grain complex. This suggests the late February contract low will be good, at least until the US crop is made. Speculators can consider buying breaks below 464 on July futures and next resistance stands at 484 and 490.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

Commitment of Traders - Futures and Options - 4/30/2024 - 5/7/2024								
	Ν	Ion-Commercial		Commercial		Non-Reportable		
		Weekly		Weekly		Weekly		
	Net Position	Net Change	Net Position	Net Change	Net Position	Net Change		
Grains								



	Corn	-48,762	+118,211	75,972	-108,072	-27,211	-10,140
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CORN TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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CORN (JUL) 05/13/2024: Daily stochastics turning lower from overbought levels is bearish and will tend to reinforce a downside break especially if near term support is penetrated. The market's short-term trend is positive on the close above the 9-day moving average. The market has a bullish tilt coming into today's trade with the close above the 2nd swing resistance. The next downside objective is now at 453 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 476 1/4 and 479 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 463 1/4 and below there at 453 1/2.

CORN (DEC) 05/13/2024: The daily stochastics gave a bullish indicator with a crossover up. Rising stochastics at overbought levels warrant some caution for bulls. The market's close above the 9-day moving average suggests the short-term trend remains positive. There could be more upside follow through since the market closed above the 2nd swing resistance. The near-term upside objective is at 500 3/4. The next area of resistance is around 497 3/4 and 500 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 486 1/4 and below there at 477 1/2.

DAILY WHEAT COMMENTARY 5/13/2024

Private analysts lowering Russian crop

OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT): WHEAT -0.1

OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS: Chicago wheat (JUL 24) prices overnight are down -1 1/2; Kansas City (JUL 24) down -4 1/4; and Minneapolis (JUL 24) down -1 1/2. MATIF Milling Wheat(SEP 24) was down -0.1%. Chicago wheat open interest as of May 10 was up 9,491 contracts and Minneapolis wheat was up 3,580 contracts.

NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS: Now that the USDA report is behind us, Russian frost/freezes are gaining in importance and resulting in private analysts crop cuts. SovEcon late last week reduced their Russian crop 3.4 million tonnes to 89.8 million, while IKAR lowered their Russian crop estimate 5 million tonnes to 86 million and lowered exports 3 1/2 million tonnes to 47 million. USDA's Russian number Friday was 91.5 million. Another couple of chilly nights are on tap for central and southern Russia this week. The USDA report was less burdensome for new crop carryout than expected due to increased food/residual and exports. This brought new crop ending stocks 20 million below guesses. US old crop balance sheet for 2023/24 had one minor change, a 10 million bushel increase in exports, which reduced the carryout from last month by a corresponding 10 million. All wheat and winter wheat were slightly bullish, with HRW higher than expected while SRW landed near the lowest pre-report estimate. Major exporter stocks to use was 13.3%, the 2nd lowest on record. Some rains have fallen in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas over the last 72 hours, which reduces crop stress to just 15% of the Plains growing area. Winter wheat conditions later today are estimated steady to down 1%, but still very high historically. July Chicago pushed to its highest level since late August of last year as Friday's USDA report reduced fears of a ballooning new crop carryout which will support the market on breaks. July Chicago has reached significant retracement resistance at 668 and if the rally can extend, 618 retracement of the July 2023 high to the March 2024 low is 699. Further Russian frosts this week could push prices toward the upper resistance band.

The May 7th Commitments of Traders report showed Wheat Managed Money traders are net short 42,360 contracts after net buying 5,506 contracts. CIT traders are net long 116,175 contracts after net selling 2,831 contracts. Non-Commercial No CIT traders were net short 79,082 contracts after decreasing their short position by 6,817 contracts. Non-Commercial & Non-Reportable traders are net short 32,648 contracts after net buying



2,648 contracts.

KC Wheat positioning in the Commitments of Traders for the week ending May 7th showed Managed Money traders were net short 24,013 contracts after decreasing their short position by 5,597 contracts. KC Wheat CIT traders hit a new extreme long of 79,087 contracts. CIT traders were net long 79,087 contracts after increasing their already long position by 2,594 contracts. Non-Commercial No CIT traders net bought 3,567 contracts and are now net short 44,435 contracts. Non-Commercial & Non-Reportable traders were net short 22,160 contracts after decreasing their short position by 6,041 contracts.

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Russian frosts and USDA's new crop carryout not as burdensome as expected are pushing prices to the upside. 50% retracement resistance from the high last summer to the early March low this year has been tested at 668, with 61.8% resistance at 699. We would expect buying support today on a pullback below 650.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

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	N	on-Commercial		Commercial		Non-Reportable			
		Weekly		Weekly		Weekly			
	Net Position	Net Change	Net Position	Net Change	Net Position	Net Change			
Grains									
KC Wheat	-15,158	+6,394	22,160	-6,040	-7,002	-353			
Wheat	-22,623	+4,096	32,648	-2,648	-10,025	-1,448			

WHEAT TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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WHEAT (JUL) 05/13/2024: Daily stochastics have risen into overbought territory which will tend to support reversal action if it occurs. The market's short-term trend is positive on the close above the 9-day moving average. The market has a bullish tilt coming into today's trade with the close above the 2nd swing resistance. The near-term upside target is at 685 1/2. With a reading over 70, the 9-day RSI is approaching overbought levels. The next area of resistance is around 677 1/2 and 685 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 649 1/2 and below there at 629 1/4.

KC WHEAT (JUL) 05/13/2024: The daily stochastics have crossed over up which is a bullish indication. Momentum studies are trending higher but have entered overbought levels. A positive signal for trend short-term was given on a close over the 9-bar moving average. The market has a bullish tilt coming into today's trade with the close above the 2nd swing resistance. The near-term upside target is at 693. The next area of resistance is around 685 1/4 and 693, while 1st support hits today at 660 3/4 and below there at 644.

MINN WHEAT (JUL) 05/13/2024: Stochastics turning bearish at overbought levels will tend to support lower prices if support levels are broken. A positive signal for trend short-term was given on a close over the 9-bar moving average. Market positioning is positive with the close over the 1st swing resistance. The next downside target is now at 696 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 730 1/4 and 737 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 709 3/4 and below there at 696 1/2.

RICE (JUL) 05/13/2024: The daily stochastics have crossed over up which is a bullish indication. Positive momentum studies in the neutral zone will tend to reinforce higher price action. The intermediate trend could be turning up with the close back above the 18-day moving average. There could be more upside follow through since the market closed above the 2nd swing resistance. The next upside target is 19.991. The next area of

resistance is around 19.742 and 19.991, while 1st support hits today at 18.988 and below there at 18.482.

DAILY TECHNICAL STATISTICS

				14 DAY	14 DAY					
		9 DAY	14 DAY	SLOW	SLOW	4 DAY	9 DAY	18 DAY	45 DAY	60 DAY
	CLOSE	RSI	RSI	STOCH D	STOCH K	M AVG				
GRAIN COM	PLEX									
CNAN24	469 3/4	66.09	62.96	76.43	76.08	462.94	459.81	453.36	450.18	447.17
CNAZ24	492	68.24	64.42	80.89	82.52	485.44	481.64	476.01	473.26	469.83
SSAN24	1219	57.45	56.64	74.71	69.17	1225.44	1210.86	1191.99	1195.77	1188.03
SSAX24	1205 3/4	58.74	58.08	78.50	74.29	1211.81	1197.81	1183.35	1182.69	1172.22
SMAN24	371.9	61.13	61.97	79.55	73.30	376.63	370.23	357.73	347.09	344.03
BOAN24	44.44	49.86	46.25	26.03	31.90	43.84	43.53	44.40	46.75	46.51
WHAN24	663 1/2	75.42	71.65	83.63	87.64	644.44	628.42	610.13	583.20	579.53
WHAZ24	705 1/4	76.65	73.47	86.33	89.69	689.25	673.75	653.86	623.47	615.47
RCAN24	19.365	62.80	60.85	51.49	53.26	18.75	18.81	18.99	18.02	18.14
KWAN24	673	67.29	65.86	80.75	81.79	659.38	651.08	632.17	598.99	590.22
MWAN24	720	67.26	66.11	83.05	79.67	711.38	711.25	692.56	671.11	668.14
OTAN24	410 3/4	88.50	81.85	93.39	93.58	402.38	391.92	372.36	357.68	357.84
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DAILY SWING STATISTICS

Contract		Support 2	Support 1	Pivot	Resist 1	Resist 2
GRAIN COMPL	LEX					
CNAN24	Corn	453 1/4	463	466 1/2	476 1/2	479 3/4
CNAZ24	Corn	477 1/4	486	489	498	500 3/4
SSAN24	Soybeans	1198 1/4	1210	1216 1/4	1228	1234 1/4
SSAX24	Soybeans	1188 1/4	1198	1203 1/2	1213 1/2	1218 3/4
SMAN24	Soymeal	359.7	365.9	371.7	377.9	383.7
BOAN24	Soybean Oil	42.00	43.40	44.08	45.48	46.16
WHAN24	Wheat	629	649 1/2	657 1/4	677 1/2	685 1/2
WHAZ24	Wheat	675 1/4	693	699 3/4	717 1/2	724 1/4
RCAN24	Rice	18.481	18.987	19.236	19.742	19.991
KWAN24	KC Wheat	644	660 3/4	668 1/2	685 1/4	693
MWAN24	MINN Wheat	696 1/2	709 3/4	717	730 1/4	737 1/2
OTAN24	Oats	393 1/2	402 1/2	410	419	426 1/2

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