

# DAILY GRAINS COMMENTARY Friday October 11, 2024

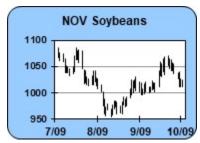
# DAILY SOY COMPLEX COMMENTARY 10/11/2024

USDA expected to cut yield and ending stocks slightly

OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT): SOY BEANS +0.1, BEAN OIL +0.0, SOYMEAL +0.2

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Soybeans (NOV 24) prices overnight are up 5 1/4; Soymeal (DEC 24) up 1.70; and Soyoil (DEC 24) up 0.2. Soybean open interest as of October 10 was up 2,889 contracts, soymeal down 5,861 contracts, and soybean oil up 1,183. Chinese Dalian (JAN 25) Soybeans down

0.10%, Soymeal down 0.70%, Soyoil up 0.88%, Palm oil up 1.38%. Malaysian Palm was up 2.76%.



NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS: USDA's October supply/demand report will be released at 11 AM today Chicago time and is expected to show very slight declines from last month in yield, production and ending stocks. With bean crop conditions holding unusually strong over the past month, common sense would say yields may not deviate much from last month. However, USDA's production estimate has a high tendency to be below the pre-report average guess, which has occurred in 9 of the last 10 years, with 2021 the outlier. The report estimates for bean yield are 53.1 BPA, down from 53.2 last month and bean production expected at 4.579 billion bushels, down from 4.586 last month. US Bean ending stocks are expected at 549 million bushels, down slightly from 550 in September. World ending stocks are anticipated to be unchanged from last month. Gulf bids are firmer on talk China is looking for offers and South American sources suggest China has bought up to 8 cargoes of Brazilian beans overnight. Brazil port terminal group, Amport, which represents firms like Cargill and Bunge, says the Tapajos waterway has been shut due to low River levels. The Tapajos is a key transportation waterway linking central and northern Brazil. Rain chances will be increasing in Brazil over the next 2 weeks but significant totals are needed to offset months of drought. Argentina has been too dry, but bean planting doesn't start in earnest there until November. In the US, the next 5 days are expected to be bone dry across the Midwest, except for the northern Great Lakes. The 6 to 10 day outlook finally pushes the below normal precipitation to the eastern belt with normal precipitation in the West and temperatures remaining above normal. The 8 to 14 day outlook shows above normal precipitation in the Midwest, especially the center and Western belt and a continuation of the warm temperatures. Trading enthusiasm before the report has been limited and prices continue to hold the 100day moving average support which comes in at 1010 today. A break below that level would send the market down for a test of 999 support. USDA will have come up with a major bullish surprise today to push prices back up to the September highs.

The Export Sales Report showed that for the week ending October 3, net soybean sales came in at 1,264,320 tonnes for the current marketing year and -8,440 for the next marketing year for a total of 1,255,880. Cumulative soybean sales have reached 40.5% of the USDA forecast for the 2024/2025 marketing year versus a 5 year average of 47.4%. Sales need to average 623,000 tonnes per week to reach the USDA forecast.

Net meal sales came in at 165,717 tonnes for the current marketing year and 1,276 for the next marketing year for a total of 166,993. Cumulative meal sales have reached 31.0% of the USDA forecast for the 2024/2025 marketing year versus a 5 year average of 28.7%. Sales need to average 212,000 tonnes per week to reach the USDA forecast.

Net oil sales came in at 3,821 tonnes for the current marketing year and none for the next marketing year. Cumulative oil sales have reached 29.5% of the USDA forecast for the 2024/2025 marketing year versus a 5 year average of 13.7%. Sales need to average 3,700 tonnes per week to reach the USDA forecast.

# TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

November beans are slightly higher ahead of today's USDA report but unless the report has a significant bullish surprise, prices are likely to remain under pressure with current bearish fundamentals. Monsoon rains are on the

way for Brazil and Argentina dry areas may see some relief next week as well. Speculators may consider selling a report rally to 1040 or above. Look for close-in support at 1012 and more important support at 999 on November beans.

#### **NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

#### PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

# SOYBEAN COMPLEX TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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SOYBEANS (NOV) 10/11/2024: The close below the 60-day moving average is an indication the longer-term trend has turned down. Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range could accelerate a price break if support levels are broken. The market's close below the 9-day moving average is an indication the short-term trend remains negative. It is a slightly negative indicator that the close was lower than the pivot swing number. The next downside target is 1003. The next area of resistance is around 1021 1/2 and 1030 1/4, while 1st support hits today at 1008 and below there at 1003.

SOYBEAN OIL (DEC) 10/11/2024: Declining momentum studies in the neutral zone will tend to reinforce lower price action. The close above the 9-day moving average is a positive short-term indicator for trend. Market positioning is positive with the close over the 1st swing resistance. The next downside target is 42.32. The next area of resistance is around 44.38 and 44.80, while 1st support hits today at 43.14 and below there at 42.32.

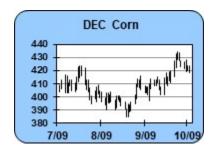
SOYMEAL (DEC) 10/11/2024: The major trend has turned down with the cross over back below the 60-day moving average. Momentum studies are still bearish but are now at oversold levels and will tend to support reversal action if it occurs. The market's short-term trend is negative as the close remains below the 9-day moving average. The market's close below the 1st swing support number suggests a moderately negative setup for today. The next downside objective is 309.2. The next area of resistance is around 320.1 and 325.3, while 1st support hits today at 312.1 and below there at 309.2.

# DAILY CORN COMMENTARY 10/11/2024

Planting halted in Argentina due to dry conditions

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

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Corn (DEC 24) prices overnight are up 1 1/2. Corn open interest as of October 10 was up 13,690 contracts. Chinese Dalian (JAN 25) Corn was down 0.14%.



**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** USDA takes center stage this morning with the October supply/demand report expected to show lower ending stocks from last month. Typically, corn crop conditions begin to fall as harvest nears and the crop dries down but this year conditions have stayed stable at a high level and that would suggest yield changes may be minimal in this report. USDA has raised yields from August to the September supply/demand report 10 times in the last 20 years with 7 of those 10 showing higher yield again in October's report. The lower than expected corn stocks in the quarterly grain report at the end of September will be

carried through to the balance sheet and bring carryout down slightly from last month. USDA is expected to show corn yield at 183.4 BPA, down from 183.6 in September. Corn production is estimated at 15.155 billion bushels, slightly down from 15.186 in September. US corn ending stocks are expected at 1.962 billion bushels, down from 2.057 in September. World corn ending stocks are expected at 306.83 million tonnes, down from 308.35 in September. Once the report is over, trader focus will return to South American weather. Planting has been halted in western Argentina where conditions are too dry. The French corn harvest is now 6% complete, but way behind the 5-year average of 40% and last year's progress for this week of 44%. Wet conditions continue to plague the area. Russia this week seems to have shifted their strategy to attacking grain ships and port facilities around Odessa, with 4 attacks in the last 5 days. Ukraine accuses them of trying to reduce global export competition with the attacks but whatever the reason, the risks are rising that some of Ukraine's grain may be stranded in place and unable to move into export channels if the attacks continue. December corn hit moving average support this morning at 418. A bearish reaction to the report should find good support on any drop below 410. Nearby resistance is 431.

The Export Sales Report showed that for the week ending October 3, net corn sales came in at 1,222,066 tonnes for the current marketing year and none for the next marketing year. Cumulative sales have reached 31.6% of the USDA forecast for the 2024/2025 marketing year versus a 5 year average of 31.8%. Sales need to average 806,000 tonnes per week to reach the USDA forecast.

### TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

December corn is hovering just above support ahead of today's USDA report which is expected to cut yields and ending stocks slightly from last month. A very active harvest weekend is expected with dry conditions across the Midwest and warm temperatures which may add to hedge selling pressure during today's session, especially if the report sparks any bullish reaction. Speculators can consider trading the expected upcoming price range and buy breaks under 410 on December and sell rallies above 430.

#### **NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

### **PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

### **CORN TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:**

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CORN (DEC) 10/11/2024: Declining momentum studies in the neutral zone will tend to reinforce lower price action. The close below the 9-day moving average is a negative short-term indicator for trend. A negative signal was given by the outside day down. The market setup is somewhat negative with the close under the 1st swing support. The next downside objective is now at 413 3/4. The next area of resistance is around 421 1/2 and 425 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 415 1/2 and below there at 413 3/4.

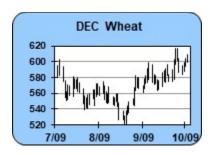
CORN (MAR) 10/11/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. The market's short-term trend is negative as the close remains below the 9-day moving average. The outside day down is somewhat negative. The market's close below the pivot swing number is a mildly negative setup. The next downside target is now at 431 1/4. The next area of resistance is around 439 1/4 and 443 1/4, while 1st support hits today at 433 1/4 and below there at 431 1/4.

DAILY WHEAT COMMENTARY 10/11/2024

# Russia attacks Odessa port region for 4th time this week

# **OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT):** WHEAT +0.28

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Chicago wheat (DEC 24) prices overnight are up 2 3/4; Kansas City (DEC 24) up 3; and Minneapolis (DEC 24) down -3/4. MATIF Milling Wheat(DEC 24) was up 0.1%. Chicago wheat open interest as of October 10 was down 1,941 contracts and Minneapolis wheat was up 3,025 contracts.



NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS: A new bullish force for wheat has emerged this week as Russia has attacked 3 grain ships as well as Odessa port infrastructure nearly every day this week, pushing up maritime insurance rates. Perhaps Russia is trying to reduce export competition as Ukraine suggests. If the attacks continue, Ukraine may may have no choice but to slow exports. The deputy Aq Minister said overnight Ukraine's grain exports may only reached 40 million tonnes this season, down from 51 million last year. Russia's Ag Minister this morning said current weather is not hampering harvest or sowing but yields are expected to drop to 2.76 tonnes per hectare, down from 3.1 last year. We know at least 4 important Russian grain growing regions have been under a state of emergency recently, which is a good indication the Ag Minister is overly optimistic to avoid price disruptions. For further evidence of the optimism, SovEcon lowered their estimate for the Russian wheat crop to 81.5 million tonnes this morning, down from 82.9. The meeting between Russian exporters and the Ag Ministry is expected to take place today. Today's October supply/demand report is expected to show US ending stocks at 819 million bushels, down from 828 in September and world ending stocks are expected at 256.14 million tonnes, down from 257.22 in September and a 9-year low. The report is not expected to show any major balance sheet changes. Yesterday's Drought Monitor showed water wheat under drought rose 3% from last week to 47% compared to 49% last year. The Buenos Aries Grain Exchange says Argentina needs more rain to support wheat development as only 51% of fields have adequate moisture. Nearby resistance for Chicago wheat is 617 and the 200-day moving average resistance stands at 614. Look for support on any report break today to 590.

The Export Sales Report showed that for the week ending October 3, net wheat sales came in at 433,560 tonnes for the current marketing year and 5,500 for the next marketing year for a total of 439,060. Cumulative sales have reached 53.7% of the USDA forecast for the 2024/2025 marketing year versus a 5 year average of 51.8%. Sales need to average 219,000 tonnes per week to reach the USDA forecast.

#### TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

With the USDA report today not expected to show major changes, traders are focusing on the attacks on Ukraine's Odessa port and ships carrying Ukrainian grain, which may be a shift in Russian strategy to limit export competition. Key resistance is 617 1/4 on Chicago December and a move above that level would point to a resumption of the rally and target 50% retracement resistance from the May highs to the August lows at 640. Speculators can consider buying a pullback today to 590 on Chicago December.

#### **NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None

#### PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

### WHEAT TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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WHEAT (DEC) 10/11/2024: The crossover up in the daily stochastics is a bullish signal. Positive momentum studies in the neutral zone will tend to reinforce higher price action. The market's close above the 9-day moving

average suggests the short-term trend remains positive. The market has a slightly positive tilt with the close over the swing pivot. The near-term upside target is at 614 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 609 and 614 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 598 1/2 and below there at 593 1/4.

KC WHEAT (DEC) 10/11/2024: Studies are showing positive momentum but are now in overbought territory, so some caution is warranted. A positive signal for trend short-term was given on a close over the 9-bar moving average. The market has a slightly positive tilt with the close over the swing pivot. The next upside target is 623. The next area of resistance is around 616 and 623, while 1st support hits today at 605 and below there at 601.

MINN WHEAT (DEC) 10/11/2024: 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. With the close higher than the pivot swing number, the market is in a slightly bullish posture. The next upside objective is 659 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 654 3/4 and 659 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 645 3/4 and below there at 641 1/4.

RICE (NOV) 10/11/2024: The close under the 60-day moving average indicates the longer-term trend could be turning down. Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. The close below the 9-day moving average is a negative short-term indicator for trend. The market's close below the 1st swing support number suggests a moderately negative setup for today. The next downside objective is 14.888. The next area of resistance is around 15.164 and 15.287, while 1st support hits today at 14.965 and below there at 14.888.

#### **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 COMP	PLEX									
CNAZ24	418 1/2	48.89	52.46	71.18	62.82	421.56	425.06	418.33	407.65	407.78
CNAH25	436 1/4	49.16	52.73	69.29	60.92	438.81	442.31	436.01	425.73	425.19
SSAX24	1014 3/4	38.22	44.40	47.91	31.01	1021.31	1037.69	1034.78	1008.52	1016.86
SSAF25	1031 1/2	37.07	43.82	47.89	30.46	1038.88	1055.67	1052.76	1026.41	1034.15
SMAZ24	316.1	34.36	41.21	36.78	20.96	321.08	330.76	328.57	319.56	319.78
BOAZ24	43.76	57.64	57.34	71.63	66.56	43.62	43.65	42.77	41.11	41.46
WHAZ24	603 3/4	61.58	59.90	64.46	65.27	597.50	597.94	587.83	570.23	567.97
WHAH25	626 1/2	62.84	61.06	68.37	69.26	620.88	620.42	608.79	590.36	588.28
RCAX24	15.065	42.72	46.13	40.29	35.31	15.12	15.17	15.23	15.11	15.12
KWAZ24	610 1/2	64.09	61.39	70.14	73.63	606.69	604.17	589.42	575.76	575.75
MWAZ24	650 1/4	68.04	63.71	78.42	84.64	646.94	642.00	627.71	613.70	614.35
OTAZ24	384	55.24	59.19	81.09	76.91	389.00	388.69	378.11	350.63	343.15

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# **DAILY SWING STATISTICS**

Contract		Support 2	Support 1	Pivot	Resist 1	Resist 2						
GRAIN COMPLEX												
CNAZ24	Corn	413 3/4	415 1/2	419 3/4	421 1/2	425 3/4						
CNAH25	Corn	431 1/4	433 1/4	437 1/4	439 1/4	443 1/4						
SSAX24	Soybeans	1003	1008	1016 3/4	1021 1/2	1030 1/2						
SSAF25	Soybeans	1019 3/4	1024 1/2	1033 1/2	1038 1/2	1047 1/4						
SMAZ24	Soymeal	309.1	312.0	317.2	320.1	325.3						
BOAZ24	Soybean Oil	42.32	43.14	43.56	44.38	44.80						
WHAZ24	Wheat	593	598 1/2	603 3/4	609	614 1/2						
WHAH25	Wheat	616 1/4	621 1/4	626 3/4	631 3/4	637 1/4						
RCAX24	Rice	14.887	14.964	15.087	15.164	15.287						
KWAZ24	KC Wheat	601	605	612	616	623						
MWAZ24	MINN Wheat	641	645 1/2	650 1/4	655	659 1/2						
OTAZ24	Oats	373 1/2	377 3/4	386	390 1/4	398 1/2						

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