

# DAILY SOY COMPLEX COMMENTARY 10/16/2024

Daily trading volume highest since Feb 2022

OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT): SOY BEANS +0.1, BEAN OIL +0.0, SOYMEAL +0.3

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Soybeans (NOV 24) prices overnight are up 6 1/4; Soymeal (DEC 24) up 2.60; and Soyoil (DEC 24) up 0.16. Soybean open interest as of October 15 was up 19,596 contracts, soymeal up 7,230 contracts, and soybean oil down 5,214. Chinese Dalian (JAN 25) Soybeans down 0.88%, Soymeal up 0.03%, Soyoil up 0.86%, Palm oil up 1.05%. Malaysian Palm was up 1.47%.



**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** Heavy fund selling has faded this morning, and prices are seeing a minor bounce after unusually high daily trading volume yesterday, the highest since February 2022. Open interest rose nearly 20,000 contracts yesterday and it appears new speculative shorts are entering the market as open interest rose to its highest level since January 2021. Typically, rising open interest in a falling market is bearish. US harvest is reported at 67% complete, well above last year's 57% and the 5-year average of 51%. Central and northern Brazil rains are expected to increase over the next 5 days with totals of 1-3 inches expected. CONAB's 1st official estimate for Brazilian new crop production was 166.05 million tonnes, compared to USDA's 169 million and well above last season's total of 147.38 million tonnes. Planted area is the equivalent of 116.95 million acres and up 2.8% from last season. NOPA September crush yesterday was a record high for the month at 177.320 million bushels, rebounding from a near 3-year low last month. Soyoil stocks dropped for a 6th straight month to 1.066 billion pounds, the tightest since 2014. With the rapid US harvest, crushers have plenty of beans available. US Gulf bean bids are firm as lower prices have drawn some export interest. November beans are seeing a small rally to start the day, but fundamentals remain in favor of the bear camp. Prices are moving down into oversold territory, which may trigger a further rebound today.

Soybeans harvested as of October 13 was up 20% at 67%. This is up 10% versus last year and up 17% versus the 10-year average. The top producing states report Illinois 62%(+20%), Iowa 81%(+23%), Minnesota 88%(+20%), Indiana 57%(+21%), Ohio 62%(+27%).

Soybean export inspections for the week ending October 10 came in at 1,575,467 metric tonnes. Cumulative inspections year-to-date are 5,130,420 metric tonnes which is 6.8% below last year. This is 10.2% of the USDA's forecast for the 2024-25 marketing year versus the five year average of 9.7%.

## TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Despite some minor short covering this morning, overwhelming bearish fundamentals remain in place as rains are expected to continue to fill in Brazil and Argentina's dry areas over the next 10 days. US harvest is expected to continue to move ahead quickly with mostly dry conditions expected over the next 5 days, except for the Southwest Plains. Other than November prices being oversold, little other bullish news is around the market and today's bounce is likely to be short-lived. Initial upside resistance is 1008.

## **NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

**PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:** None

# SOYBEAN COMPLEX TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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SOYBEANS (NOV) 10/16/2024: Daily stochastics are trending lower but have declined into oversold territory. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The market tilt is slightly negative with the close under the pivot. The next downside target is 974 3/4. With a reading under 30, the 9-day RSI is approaching oversold levels. The next area of resistance is around 998 1/2 and 1004 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 983 1/2 and below there at 974 3/4.

SOYBEAN OIL (DEC) 10/16/2024: Stochastics trending lower at midrange will tend to reinforce a move lower especially if support levels are taken out. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The daily closing price reversal up on the daily chart is somewhat positive. It is a mildly bullish indicator that the market closed over the pivot swing number. The next downside target is now at 40.93. The next area of resistance is around 43.10 and 43.54, while 1st support hits today at 41.80 and below there at 40.93.

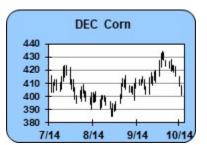
SOYMEAL (DEC) 10/16/2024: Momentum studies are declining, but have fallen to oversold levels. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The swing indicator gave a moderately negative reading with the close below the 1st support number. The next downside target is 304.6. The next area of resistance is around 315.6 and 319.8, while 1st support hits today at 308.0 and below there at 304.6.

# DAILY CORN COMMENTARY 10/16/2024

US harvest near 50% done

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

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Corn (DEC 24) prices overnight are up 2. Corn open interest as of October 15 was up 24,035 contracts. Chinese Dalian (JAN 25) Corn was down 0.63%.



**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** Prices have been melting through support this week as fund selling has been aggressive on the break. Funds are estimated to have sold another 19,000 contracts yesterday and open interest rose over 24,000 contracts, indicating much of the selling was new short positioning. It appears funds are jumping back into short positions after exiting on the rally in September and open interest has risen to a 2-month high. CONAB yesterday estimated Brazil's new crop total corn production at 119.74 million tonnes, compared to USDA at 127 million and 115.70 last season. Planted area was down.2% from the previous year. US corn harvest is now 47% complete, versus the 5 year average of 39%. US weather looks mostly dry across the Midwest except for the southwestern Plains over the next 5 days. The new President of Mexico reaffirmed their ban on human consumption of GMO white corn. A WTO ruling on the matter is expected by the end of the year. French corn ending stocks were lowered to 2.42 million tonnes, down from 2.61 previously and LSEG lowered their EU +27 corn production to 59 million tonnes, down 1.6% from their previous forecast. December corn prices dropped slightly below.618% retracement support yesterday but held the psychological \$4.00 mark. While prices may probe below \$4.00 to search for sell stops, the downside is expected to be limited from here. Prices are nearing oversold territory.

Corn harvested as of October 13 was up 17% at 47%. This is up 5% versus last year and up 10% versus the 10 year average. The top producing states report Iowa 45%(+23%), Illinois 49%(+17%), Nebraska 45%(+18%), Minnesota 43%(+28%), Indiana 44%(+15%).

Corn rated good / excellent (G/EX) as of October 13 was unchanged at 64% and poor / very poor was down 1%

at 12%. Current G/EX is up 1% versus the 10 year average and Poor / Very Poor is down 1% versus the 10 year average. Of the 18 reported states 5 reported better, 5 worse, and 8 unchanged G/EX ratings. The good / excellent ratings for the top producing states were: Iowa 76%(-1%), Illinois 76%(-1%), Nebraska 67%(0%), Minnesota 61%(-2%), Indiana 62%(+1%).

Corn export inspections for the week ending October 10 came in at 430,323 metric tonnes. Cumulative inspections year-to-date are 4,718,541 metric tonnes which is 19.0% above last year. This is 8.0% of the USDA's forecast for the 2024-25 marketing year versus the five year average of 6.0%.

## TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Weak energy prices and the higher US Dollar have encouraged aggressive fund selling this week, evidenced by a sharp jump in open interest. December corn has moved slightly below.618 retracement support at 403 3/4 and while we can't rule out a run down below \$4 in the short-term, any further decline is likely to encounter bargain buying as December prices are quickly approaching oversold levels. Speculators can consider buying December corn at 403 or lower today, risking 11 cents. Lower risk traders can look to buy a \$4.00 December corn call at \$0.10 or better.

## **NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

## **PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

# CORN TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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CORN (DEC) 10/16/2024: The major trend has turned down with the cross over back below the 60-day moving average. Daily stochastics are trending lower but have declined into oversold territory. The close below the 9-day moving average is a negative short-term indicator for trend. The close below the 2nd swing support number puts the market on the defensive. The next downside objective is now at 395 1/4. The market is approaching oversold levels on an RSI reading under 30. The next area of resistance is around 405 and 410 1/4, while 1st support hits today at 397 1/2 and below there at 395 1/4.

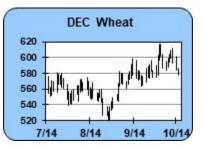
CORN (MAR) 10/16/2024: The downside crossover of the 9 and 18 bar moving average is a negative signal. Momentum studies are declining, but have fallen to oversold levels. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The defensive setup, with the close under the 2nd swing support, could cause some early weakness. The next downside objective is 411 1/2. Some caution in pressing the downside is warranted with the RSI under 30. The next area of resistance is around 421 1/4 and 426 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 413 3/4 and below there at 411 1/2.

## DAILY WHEAT COMMENTARY 10/16/2024

## Dry SW US Plains slated for precip boost over next 5 days

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

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Chicago wheat (DEC 24) prices overnight are down -3 1/4; Kansas City (DEC 24) down -2; and Minneapolis (DEC 24) up 3/4. MATIF Milling Wheat(DEC 24) was down -0.4%. Chicago wheat open interest as of October 15 was up 3,655 contracts and Minneapolis wheat was up 5,373



#### contracts.

**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** Wheat prices have closed lower each day this week and the bearish action can be attributed to improvements in crop weather in Russia, where some beneficial rains have fallen in the central and northern areas, and anticipated precipitation in the Southwest US Plains over the next 5 days. Dry areas of western Kansas, eastern Colorado and the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles should see the best coverage. The rains will allow the planting pace to quicken which stands at 64% complete, compared to 66% average. Russia's southern growing regions will see some scattered rains but 40% of the crop area will remain under stress. The UK Ag Development Board estimates UK wheat production at 11.1 million tonnes, down from 14 million last year and 21% below the 5-year average. EU +27 wheat production is expected at 136 million tonnes, down.7% from the previous season. Yesterday morning's new sale of 120,000 tonnes of SRW wheat to Mexico was a surprise but did not offer the market any support. India raised their minimum wheat purchase price for farmers by 6.6% to boost output. Chicago December wheat has so far held key 50-day moving average support and as long as prices hold the mid-September lows of 564, the uptrend remains intact. Rain potential in the dry Southwest Plains remains a headwind for today.

Weekly export inspections came in at the lower end of the range of guesses. CONAB left their Brazilian wheat production number unchanged at 8.26 million tonnes. Other news is limited but traders will be watching for any Russian wheat sales and whether the government suggested minimum price of \$250 a tonne is being respected.

Winter Wheat planted as of October 13 was up 13% at 64%. This is down 1% versus last year and down 1% versus the 10-year average. The top producing states report Kansas 68%(+16%), Washington 93%(+12%), Montana 68%(+4%), Illinois 33%(+15%), Idaho 77%(+12%).

Wheat export inspections for the week ending October 10 came in at 371,004 metric tonnes. Cumulative inspections year-to-date are 8,983,115 metric tonnes which is 33.0% above last year. This is 40.0% of the USDA's forecast for the 2024-25 marketing year versus the five year average of 38.8%.

#### TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Rain potential for the Southwest US Plains over the next 5 days will be very beneficial to wheat sowing in the region and will likely cap rallies today. However, significant moving average support stands at 572 on Chicago December, which held the previous break in mid-September. Speculators can consider buying on a break below 573 today, risking 10 cents.

#### **NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None

#### **PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

## WHEAT TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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WHEAT (DEC) 10/16/2024: 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. The market's close below the pivot swing number is a mildly negative setup. The next downside target is now at 572 1/4. The next area of resistance is around 583 3/4 and 589 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 575 1/4 and below there at 572 1/4.

KC WHEAT (DEC) 10/16/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The market tilt is slightly negative with the close under the pivot. The next downside objective is now at 575 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 589 1/2 and 595 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 579 1/2 and below there at 575 1/2.

MINN WHEAT (DEC) 10/16/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range could accelerate a price break if support levels are broken. A negative signal for trend short-term was given on a close under the 9-bar moving average. The close below the 1st swing support could weigh on the market. The next downside objective is 607 1/4. The next area of resistance is around 622 1/4 and 631, while 1st support hits today at 610 1/4 and below there at 607 1/4.

RICE (NOV) 10/16/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range should accelerate a move lower if support levels are taken out. The market's close below the 9-day moving average is an indication the short-term trend remains negative. The market tilt is slightly negative with the close under the pivot. The next downside target is now at 14.775. The next area of resistance is around 15.175 and 15.315, while 1st support hits today at 14.905 and below there at 14.775.

	CLOSE	9 DAY RSI	14 DAY RSI	14 DAY SLOW STOCH D	14 DAY SLOW STOCH K	4 DAY M AVG	9 DAY M AVG	18 DAY M AVG	45 DAY M AVG	60 DAY M AVG	
<b>GRAIN COMP</b>											
CNAZ24	401 1/4	28.19	37.34	45.56	24.70	410.94	418.28	418.01	408.36	407.79	
CNAH25	417 1/2	26.60	35.99	43.23	22.51	427.88	435.36	435.43	426.38	425.33	
SSAX24	991	27.34	36.23	24.74	12.86	1001.81	1017.94	1032.51	1008.42	1014.28	
SSAF25	1003 1/2	24.95	34.44	24.10	11.50	1016.88	1034.67	1049.88	1026.14	1031.55	
SMAZ24	311.8	30.08	37.95	19.26	10.31	314.58	321.06	327.33	319.80	319.84	
BOAZ24	42.45	47.19	50.08	53.57	39.62	42.86	43.41	43.14	41.23	41.37	
WHAZ24	579 1/2	41.75	46.97	52.82	38.65	591.88	594.11	590.43	571.93	569.01	
WHAH25	600 3/4	41.43	46.97	56.56	42.03	614.06	616.94	611.79	592.28	589.39	
RCAX24	15.040	43.32	45.92	34.57	32.41	15.05	15.10	15.17	15.11	15.14	
KWAZ24	584 1/2	41.03	46.42	61.68	49.77	597.13	601.53	592.44	577.42	576.15	
MWAZ24	616 1/4	37.61	44.29	68.92	54.16	634.19	639.89	630.00	615.05	614.29	
OTAZ24	377	47.84	53.31	64.95	51.69	378.38	384.17	381.36	354.94	345.58	

## DAILY TECHNICAL STATISTICS

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#### DAILY SWING STATISTICS

Contract		Support 2	Support 1	Pivot	Resist 1	Resist 2						
GRAIN COMPLEX												
CNAZ24	Corn	395 1/4	397 1/2	402 3/4	405	410 1/4						
CNAH25	Corn	411 1/4	413 1/2	419	421 1/2	426 3/4						
SSAX24	Soybeans	974 3/4	983 1/2	989 3/4	998 1/2	1004 3/4						
SSAF25	Soybeans	987 1/2	995 1/2	1003 1/2	1011 1/2	1019 1/2						
SMAZ24	Soymeal	304.6	308.0	312.2	315.6	319.8						
BOAZ24	Soybean Oil	40.92	41.79	42.23	43.10	43.54						
WHAZ24	Wheat	572 1/4	575	581	584	589 3/4						
WHAH25	Wheat	593	596	602 1/2	605 1/2	612						
RCAX24	Rice	14.775	14.905	15.045	15.175	15.315						
KWAZ24	KC Wheat	575 1/2	579 1/2	585 1/2	589 1/2	595 1/2						
MWAZ24	MINN Wheat	607	610 1/4	619	622 1/4	631						
OTAZ24	Oats	365 1/2	372	375 3/4	382	386						
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