

Morning Agriculture Commentary

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Overnight trade has SRW Wheat up roughly 2 cents to down 1; HRW down 1 to 2 cents; HRS Wheat up 7 to 5, Corn is down 1 cent; Soybeans down 3; Soymeal down \$2.50, and Soyoil down 20 to up 30 points.

For the week, SRW Wheat prices are up roughly 18 cents; HRW up 14; HRS up 29; Corn is up 16 cents; Soybeans down 17 cents; Soymeal down \$4.00, and; Soyoil up 85 points. Crushing margins are up 16 cents at \$0.84 (July); Oil share up 1% at 41%.

For the month, SRW Wheat prices are up roughly \$1.15; HRW up \$1.15; HRS up \$1.34; Corn is up \$1.01 cents; Soybeans up 72 cents; Soymeal down \$3.00, and; Soyoil up 890 points. Crushing margins are up 22 cents \$0.84 (July); Oil share up 4% at 41%.

Chinese Ag futures (September) settled down 63 yuan in soybeans, down 21 in Corn, down 23 in Soymeal, down 78 in Soyoil, and down 60 in Palm Oil.

Malaysian palm oil prices were down 49 ringgit at 3,902 (basis July) at midsession.

U.S. Weather Forecast

Last evening's GFS model run was mostly similar to the midday GFS model for the Northern Plains and showed occasional shower activity in the region over the next two weeks that would still leave a need for more moisture.

South America Weather Forecast

Notable moisture relief to interior southern Safrinha corn areas of Brazil is still unlikely in at least the next two weeks. Last evening's GFS model run did suggest that meaningful rain gets up into part of this area May 12-14.

Conditions in Argentina are still expected to be favorably mixed the next two weeks.

The player sheet had funds net buyers of 3,000 contracts of SRW Wheat; net sold 2,000 contracts of Corn; sold 9,000 Soybeans; net even in Soymeal, and; net sold 6,000 Soyoil.

We estimate Managed Money net long 38,000 contracts of SRW Wheat; net long 492,000 Corn; net long 195,000 Soybeans; long 50,000t Soymeal, and; net long 112,000 Soyoil.

Preliminary Open Interest saw SRW Wheat futures down roughly 4,400 contracts; HRW Wheat up 860; Corn down 3,800; Soybeans down 8,600 contracts; Soymeal down 5 lots, and; Soyoil down 2,800.

Deliveries were 9 Soymeal; 629 Soyoil; 463 Rice; ZERO Corn; 590 HRW Wheat; ZERO Oats; 66 Soybeans; ZERO SRW Wheat, and; 337 HRS Wheat.

There were changes in registrations (Soybeans up 66; Rice up 229)---Registrations total 10 contracts for SRW Wheat; ZERO Oats; Corn ZERO; Soybeans 66; Soyoil 968 lots; Soymeal 175; Rice 1,242; HRW Wheat 1,291, and; HRS 235.

TODAY---COMMITMENT OF TRADERS---

Tender Activity---S. Korean feed groups bought 196,000t optional-origin corn---Tunisia bought 27,000t optional-origin vegoils---

Trade estimates for USDA weekly grain, soy export sales were - Reuters News

	Trade estimates for 2020-21	Trade estimates for 2021-22		
Wheat	0-300,000	200,000-450,000		
Corn	400,000-1,000,000	100,000-600,000		
Soybeans	(100,000)-200,000	200,000-500,000		
Soymeal	50,000-250,000	0-25,000		
Soyoil	(10,000)-50,000	0		

All weekly commodity export sales data for week ended April 22 - USDA WASHINGTON, April 29 (Reuters) - The USDA export sales for week ended April 22 (all expressed in 1,000 tonnes except cotton in 1,000 running bales):

	Week's Net Change in Commitments			S	New Sales This Yr-Next Yr		Total Commitments This Yr-Last Yr	
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Wheat	223.6	237.7	461.3	231.7	239.2	25,593.1	25,931.8	
Barley	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	29.5	49.8	
Corn	521.3	553.4	1,074.7	636.6	553.4	67,719.6	36,679.0	
Sorghum	107.2	0.0	107.2	113.6	0.0	7,158.0	3,540.3	
Soybeans	292.5	439.0	731.5	303.8	439.1	61,119.4	38,900.5	
Soymeal	163.5	96.9	260.4	177.2	96.9	9,423.5	9,405.4	
Soyoil	3.6	0.0	3.6	5.4	0.0	662.7	996.4	
Pima Cotton	4.8	2.5	7.3	5.1	2.5	761.5	544.1	
Up. Cotton	77.1	16.3	93.4	101.8	17.6	15,149.3	15,553.9	
Rice	32.2	0.0	32.2	35.2	0.0	2,942.7	3,118.1	
Beef	23.6	0.0	23.6	25.3	0.0	523.3	426.7	
Pork	35.6	0.0	35.6	39.3	0.0	904.5	1,044.1	

For the week ended April 22nd--

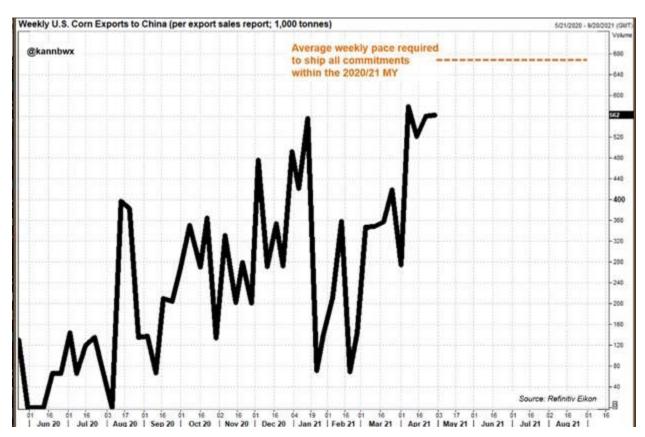
U.S All Wheat sales are down 1% versus a year ago, shipments unchanged with the USDA forecasting a 2% increase

By class, HRW wheat sales down 11%, shipments down 8%, with USDA down 8% SRW down 25%, shipments down 30% (USDA down 18%) HRS up 2%, shipments up 4% (USDA up 6%)

Corn up 85%, shipments up 83% (USDA up 50%) Sorghum up 102%, shipments up 178% (USDA up 45%)

> Soybeans up 57%, shipments up 67% (USDA up 36%) Soymeal unchanged, shipments up 5% (USDA up 1%) Soyoil down 33%, shipments down 16% (USDA down 12%)

The rapid increase in feed demand from China that began last year has been a big part of why Chicago corn futures are at multiyear highs, though a little more follow-through for U.S. exports would go a long way in confirming the storyline. China had not been a major corn importer for several years, but domestic corn prices began rising in early 2020, prompting unusually large U.S. bookings. Through April 22, the Asian country had purchased 23.2 million tonnes of U.S. corn for delivery in the 2020-21 year that ends on Aug. 31.



Wire story reports corn has led the rally among agricultural crops, rising more than 30% in 2021 to touch its highest prices in nearly eight years. That has outpaced the rally for wheat and soybeans, which also

reached their highest prices since 2013. The run-up for corn and soybeans may not be over. Among the three commodities, "corn is the driver...and China is the driver for corn."

The International Grains Council raised its forecasts for grains harvest this year thanks to slightly larger than expected corn and soybeans crops. The intergovernmental body said grains production in the 2020-21 season would total 2.226 billion metric tons, 2 million tons more than it forecast last month.

The upgrade came as the IGC said corn and soybean harvests would each be 1 million tons larger than previous forecasts at 1.140 billion tons and 362 million tons, respectively.

For the 2021-22 season, the IGC kept its forecasts for grains harvest steady at a record 2.287 billion tons despite adjusting its forecasts for consumption of wheat and corn. The IGC said that corn consumption would be four million tons less than previous forecasts while wheat consumption would be four million tons higher, in part thanks to greater use as an animal feed. Surging corn prices in recent months have driven expectations that livestock farmers might switch to cheaper sources of animal feed such as wheat. The IGC said grains markets would be tight this year, forecasts stocks would drop by 8 million metric tons. For the 2021-22 season, the IGC expects stocks levels to be unchanged thanks to record crop production levels.

Argentine farmers sped up soy harvesting over the last week thanks to drier weather, the Buenos Aires Grains Exchange said on Thursday, although the pace of the harvest lagged that of the previous season due to severe rains last month. Intense showers in early March made it difficult for harvesters to access the fields in the main agricultural areas of Argentina. The country is expected by the exchange to bring in a total 43 million tonnes of soy in the 2020/21 season. Harvesting advanced 14.4 percentage points in the last seven days, to reach 32.9% of planted soy area, the exchange said in its weekly crop report. At this point last year, growers had brought in 68.2% of the 2019/20 harvest, the exchange said.

The exchange said this season's corn harvest, which overlaps that of soy on the Pampas grains belt, has advanced only 19.5% so far as growers give priority to soybeans, the country's main cash crop.

Ukraine has sown a total of 2.92 million hectares of spring grains as of April 29, or 39% of the expected area, agriculture ministry data showed on Friday. This year's spring sowing started a few weeks late due to lingering cold weather in most of the country. The overall grain area is likely to total 15.5 million hectares this year, including 7.6 million hectares of spring grains, the ministry has said. Farms have sown 1.07 million hectares of corn, 1.28 million hectares of barley, 220,030 hectares of peas, 168,180 hectares of wheat and 182,760 hectares of oats as of April 29.

The European Commission on Thursday lowered its forecast of usable production of common wheat in European Union's 27 member countries in 2021/22 to 124.8 million tonnes from an initial estimate of 126.7 million last month. That would be above a 2020/21 crop of 117.2 million tonnes, the Commission's monthly supply and demand data showed. The Commission also lowered its projection of common wheat stocks at the end of 2021/22, to 11.4 million tonnes from 12.9 million last month, but kept unchanged its outlook for EU common wheat exports in 2021/22 at 30.0 million tonnes.

 FARM OFFICE FRANCEAGRIMER ESTIMATES 81% OF FRENCH SOFT WHEAT IN GOOD/EXCELLENT CONDITION BY APRIL 26 VS 85% PREVIOUS WEEK

- FRANCEAGRIMER ESTIMATES 77% OF FRENCH WINTER BARLEY IN GOOD/EXCELLENT CONDITION BY APRIL 26 VS 81% PREVIOUS WEEK
- FRANCEAGRIMER ESTIMATES 69% OF FRENCH DURUM WHEAT IN GOOD/EXCELLENT CONDITION BY APRIL 26 VS 77% PREVIOUS WEEK
- FRANCEAGRIMER ESTIMATES 82% OF FRENCH SPRING BARLEY IN GOOD/EXCELLENT CONDITION BY APRIL 26 VS 87% PREVIOUS WEEK
- FRANCEAGRIMER ESTIMATES 74% OF FRENCH GRAIN MAIZE SOWN BY APRIL 26 VS 41% PREVIOUS WEEK

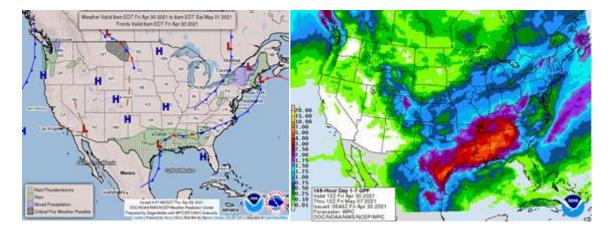
Romania's wheat crop is expected to recover this year after a drought-driven sharp fall in 2020, likely boosting the Black Sea state's supply on offer for Egypt's international grain tenders, farmers and traders said on Thursday. Romania, has been among the largest grain sellers in the European Union, and along with France and Russia is an active exporter of cereals to Middle East, with Egypt the main buyer. It harvested a meagre 6.4 million tonnes last year, a 38% drop on the year, from 2.1 million hectares, and farmers and traders see a slightly higher acreage, mild winter and optimal soil humidity helping it reap about 8.5 to 10 million tonnes.

South African farmers are expected to harvest 5% more maize in the 2020/2021 season compared with the previous season as favourable weather conditions boosted yields, the government's Crop Estimates Committee (CEC) said on Thursday. The CEC, giving its third production estimate for the season, forecast the 2021 harvest at 16.095 million tonnes, up from the 15.300 million tonnes harvested last season.

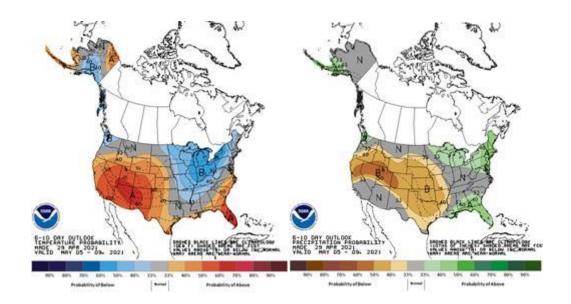
Malaysia's palm-oil exports during the April 1-30 period are estimated to have risen 9.7% on month to 1,400,724 metric tons, cargo surveyor AmSpec Agri Malaysia said.

FRIDAY FORECAST

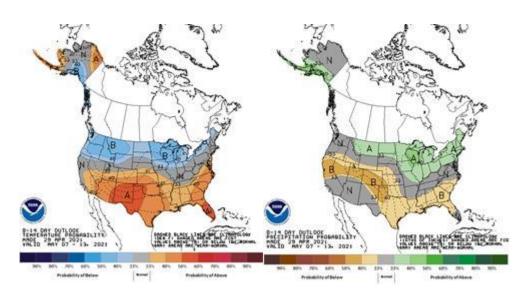
7 DAY PRECIP MAP



U.S. 6-10 DAY FORECAST (TEMP/PRECIP)

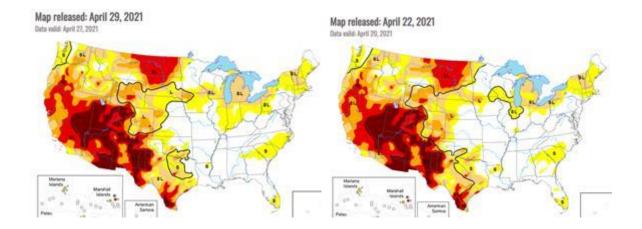


U.S. 8-14 DAY FORECAST (TEMP/PRECIP)

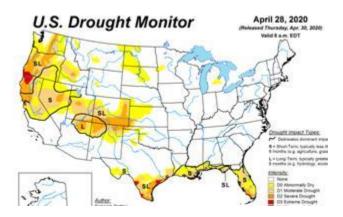


THIS WEEK'S DROUGHT MONITOR

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