



October 23, 2018

There was not much fresh news to move grain markets either way today. Corn and wheat closed a little higher while nearby soybeans closed a penny lower. Prices found technical support on the charts today. Combines continue to roll toward the harvest finish line with weather looking quite favorable into the week-end. US corn harvest is 49% complete, soybeans 53% complete.

Click this link for the WASDE briefing slides for the Secretary of Agriculture.

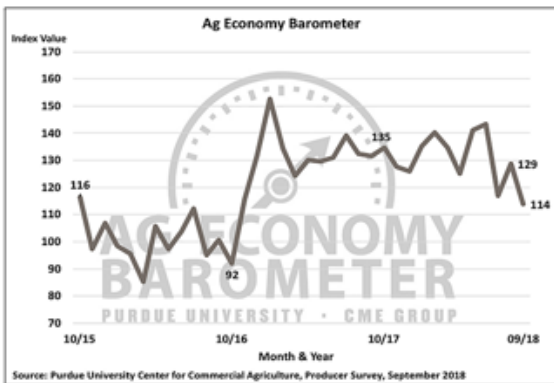
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Futures Closes

10/23/2018

Commodity	Symbol	Close	Change
Dec 18 Corn	CZ18	370.25	0.75
Nov 18 Beans	SX18	857.50	-1.00
SOYBEAN/CORN '18	SX18/CZ18	2.32	0.00
SOYBEAN/CORN '19	SX19/CZ19	2.29	0.00
Dec 18 Wheat	WZ18	509.00	1.00
US Dollar Index	DX	95.03	-0.16
Crude Oil WTI	CLV18	69.17	0.00
Ethanol	AC	1.27	0.01
Today vs Last Friday Close	Today	Last Friday	Change
Dec 18 Corn	370.25	367.00	3.25
Nov 18 Beans	857.50	856.75	0.75
Dec 18 Wheat	509.00	514.75	-5.75



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USDA 2018 U.S. Harvested Acreage

(in million acres)	USDA Oct 2018	Average Estimate	INTL FCS Estimate	Range of Estimates	USDA Sept 2018
Corn	81.800	81.720	81.800	81.400 - 81.897	81.800
Soybeans	88.300	88.720	88.500	88.353 - 88.900	88.900

USDA 2018 U.S. Yield

(in bushels per acre)	USDA Oct 2018	Average Estimate	INTL FCS Estimate	Range of Estimates	USDA Sept 2018
Corn	180.7	181.8	182.7	180.6 - 183.5	181.3
Soybeans	53.1	53.3	54.0	52.0 - 55.0	52.8

USDA 2018 U.S. Production

(in billion bushels)	USDA Oct 2018	Average Estimate	INTL FCS Estimate	Range of Estimates	USDA Sept 2018
Corn	14.778	14.872	14.939	14.700 - 15.220	14.827
Soybeans	4.690	4.733	4.779	4.623 - 4.890	4.693

USDA 2018/19 U.S. Carryout

(in billion bushels)	USDA Oct 2018	Average Estimate	INTL FCS Estimate	Range of Estimates	USDA Sept 2018
Corn	1.813	1.919	2.352	1.766 - 2.352	1.774
Soybeans	0.885	0.898	0.935	0.778 - 0.985	0.845
Wheat	0.956	0.950	0.990	0.895 - 0.997	0.935

USDA 2018/19 World Carryout

(in million tonnes)	USDA Oct 2018	Average Estimate	INTL FCS Estimate	Range of Estimates	USDA Sept 2018
Corn	159.35	159.30	165.90	156.00 - 165.90	157.03
Soybeans	110.04	109.53	105.50	105.50 - 113.00	108.26
Wheat	260.18	261.41	263.70	259.00 - 264.50	261.29

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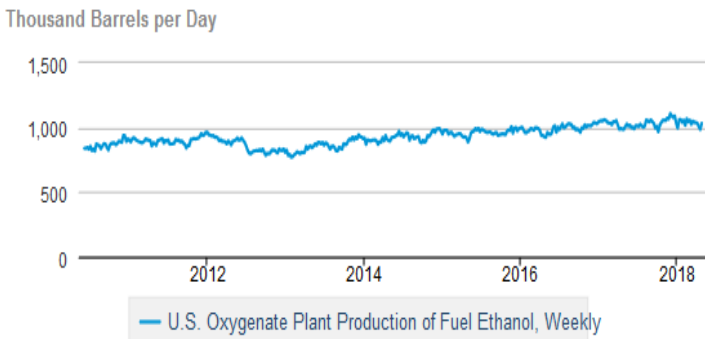
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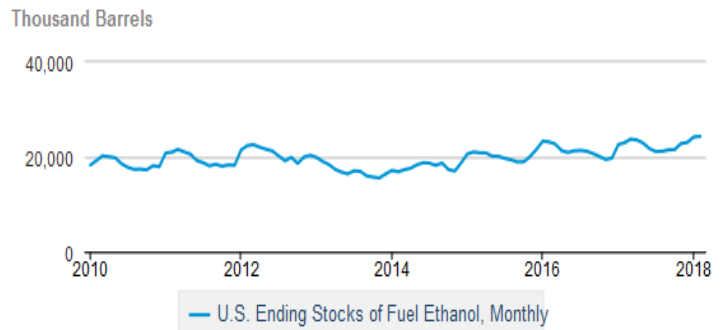
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U.S. Oxygenate Plant Production of Fuel Ethanol, Weekly



U.S. Ending Stocks of Fuel Ethanol, Monthly

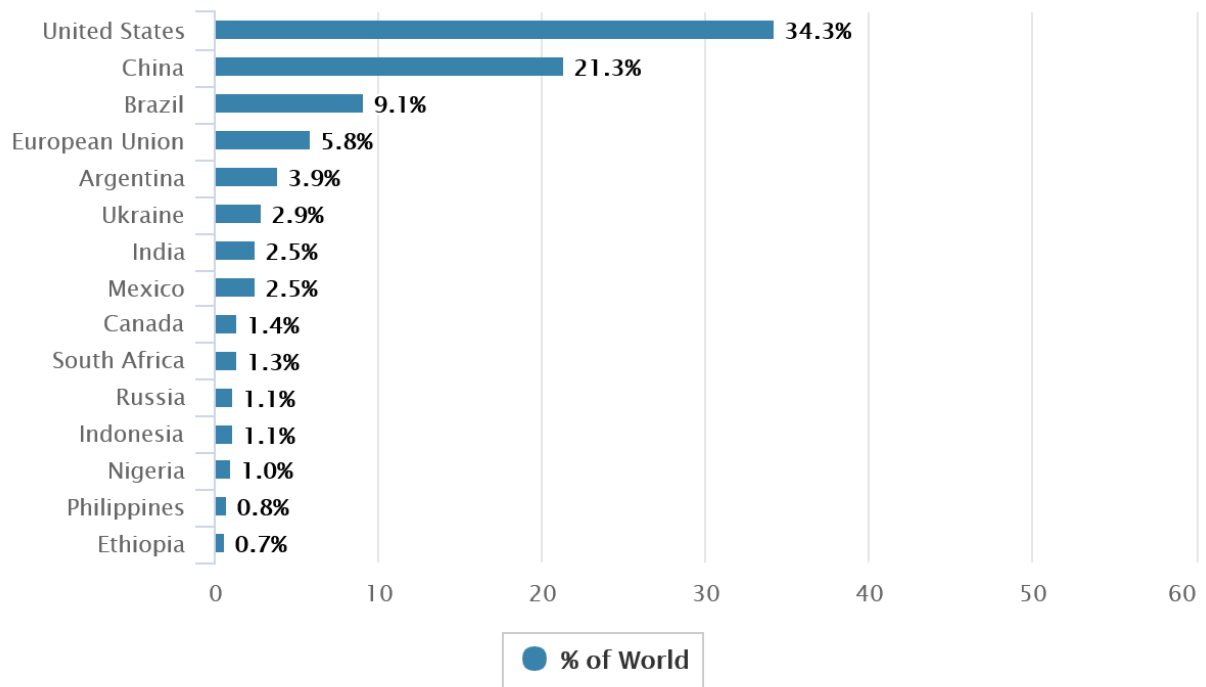


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Corn Production from A Global Perspective

Latest forecast on file: Corn % World Production



Source: FAS USDA

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CFTC Funds Net (# cnts) Futures Only (COT REPORT)

Date	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat
10/10/2017	-150,963	25,869	-67,427
10/17/2017	-154,639	67,513	-78,815
10/24/2017	-155,307	47,234	-83,548
10/31/2017	-199,135	39,016	-115,567
11/7/2017	-202,456	45,053	-128,121
11/14/2017	-242,884	17,269	-113,264
11/21/2017	-212,279	20,314	-119,046
11/28/2017	-194,020	30,045	-126,466
12/5/2017	-155,061	54,885	-122,379
12/12/2017	-198,920	12,455	-165,412
12/19/2017	-223,405	-52,487	-164,098
12/26/2017	-198,493	-71,377	-152,060
1/2/2018	-189,536	-87,843	-135,523
1/9/2018	-216,832	-85,708	-135,516
1/16/2018	-225,063	-105,705	-148,969
1/23/2018	-217,057	-81,218	-149,777
1/30/2018	-129,054	-23,142	-91,532
2/6/2018	-84,872	-84,872	-78,256
2/13/2018	-5,216	36,866	-46,973
2/20/2018	18,674	99,111	-60,157
2/27/2018	58,445	139,846	-54,560
3/6/2018	163,614	177,831	-21,600
3/13/2018	237,643	200,774	-27,366
3/20/2018	213,231	195,522	-56,107
3/27/2018	108,839	173,011	-78,107
4/3/2018	138,245	172,429	-71,963
4/10/2018	169,785	169,539	-44,861
4/17/2018	126,389	188,163	-46,960
4/24/2018	114,118	169,915	-50,507

Date	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat
5/1/2018	186,276	178,282	-18,940
5/8/2018	206,147	122,465	12,585
5/15/2018	184,773	101,072	-1,569
5/22/2018	190,935	94,796	8,819
5/29/2018	180,790	103,590	25,826
6/5/2018	78,696	65,177	23,058
6/12/2018	-12,238	105	25,135
6/19/2018	-57,451	-27,037	-4,861
6/26/2018	-90,764	-52,656	-12,068
7/3/2018	-107,396	-64,162	-1,251
7/10/2018	-140,994	-63,543	-1,266
7/17/2018	-165,965	-72,000	566
7/24/2018	-164,923	-73,359	22,603
7/31/2018	-95,613	-66,559	51,277
8/7/2018	-68,025	-63,066	66,351
8/15/2018	-60,139	-62,234	65,226
8/21/2018	-49,896	-42,027	57,447
8/28/2018	-79,305	-61,249	46,098
9/5/2018	-80,539	-69,799	35,997
9/11/2018	-83,882	-78,895	11,575
9/18/2018	-158,424	-82,217	-8,251
9/25/2018	-124,855	-60,126	227
10/2/2018	-67,387	-42,878	-11,708
10/9/2018	-39,399	-38,691	-18,098
10/16/2018	21,258	-31,112	-16,252
Wkly Change	60,657	7,579	1,846
Record +	409,444	240,937	73,662
Record -	-242,884	-93,790	-171,269
Est Today	16,258	-38,112	-20,252
Change	3,000	3,000	2,000

10/16/2018	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat
COT Actual	21,258	-31,112	-16,252
Est on date	-1,399	-23,691	-19,098
Difference	22,657	-7,421	2,846

You can do a deep dive analysis into CFTC COT data on the CME website at:

<http://www.cmegroup.com/tools-information/quickstrike/commitment-of-traders-fx.html>

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