

Settlement Prices for Selected Commodities in US or Can.\$ / tonne for week ending Friday: 13-Sep-13									
Grains					Oilseeds & Others				
Commodity	Month	This week	Last week	Year ago	Commodity	Month	This week	Last week	Year ago
SRW Wheat	Dec	235.71	238.01	339.60	Soybeans	Nov	507.51	502.55	638.41
HRW Wheat	Dec	254.27	255.55	348.32	Soya Meal	Dec	401.69	389.08	579.17
HRS Wheat	Dec	259.32	261.89	359.35	Soya Oil	Dec	933.47	957.50	1,264.84
Corn	Dec	180.70	184.34	287.33	Canola	Nov	499.40	497.90	651.60
Ethanol	Dec	43.67	44.35	63.98	Crude Oil(WTI)	Dec	107.96	107.75	99.00
Oats	Dec	202.47	207.17	256.94	Dollar Index	Dec	81.63	82.20	79.01
					DJIA	Dec	15,301	14,995	13,487

Data points in red are new previous 12-month highs, in blue are new previous 12-month lows

COMMENT: Market focus appears to have moved on from weather issues. Corn prices gave up all they gained in advance of what was expected to be friendly USDA reports on Thursday to end lower on the week. The USDA reports appeared mixed for wheat prices but they ended up slightly lower. The USDA reports proved positive for soybean prices.

NEWS: Prairie provincial crop reports indicate great harvest progress:

For MB, as of Sept 9: Favourable weather conditions allowed harvest operations to continue, with average to above average yields and good quality.

For SK, as of Sept 9: With 30% combined and 36% swathed or ready to straight-cut, SK farmers are now ahead of the five-year averages of 28% combined and 31% swathed. Above average yields are being reported in most areas.

For AB, as of Sept 10: With excellent weather, 19 per cent of the 2013 crop has been harvested, compared to 25 to 30 per cent completed in most years at this time. Yields are above their 10-year averages, with good quality.

As was generally anticipated ratings for **US crop ratings** were reduced last week with corn down 2 percentage points to 54% compared to a 5-year average 62% good/excellent. Soybeans were also down 2 percentage points to 52% compared to a 5-year average of 61%.

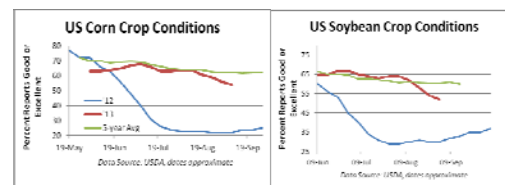
The USDA's raised its corn production estimate by one percent and lowered its soybean estimate by 3 percent in its September estimate published on Thursday. The corn estimate is a record and the soybean estimate the fourth largest on record. They

are respectively 351.6M and 85.7M tonnes, 28 and 4 percent above the drought- reduced 2012 crops.

US corn supply and use projections were revised to reflect the increased crop estimate and lower beginning stocks resulting from late season, 2012-13 adjustments. Ending stocks for 2014 were revised up slightly and projected at the highest level since 2006. For soybeans the USDA reduced crush, exports and ending stocks to balance the reduced output. Ending stocks are now forecast mid way between 2012 and 2013 levels at 4.1M tonnes and a tight 5 percent of total supplies. The only revision to the all wheat balance sheet was a 0.3M tonnes increase in imports from Canada with a matching increase in ending stocks.

Globally the increase in US corn output was offset by poorer prospects elsewhere with the expectation for reduced use. Ending stocks were raised slightly. Global wheat supplies were raised with improved prospects over much of the Northern Hemisphere. For oilseed forecasts for increased output from South America offset the reduced US harvest prospect. Global ending stocks were raised slightly.

OPINION: This week's US production estimates were made as of conditions at the beginning of the month. With crop conditions having declined since then downward revision in output estimates appear likely in October.



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