

Crop and Related Prices, Can or US\$/tonne, US\$/I ethanol					Oilseeds & Other Prices, Can or US\$/tonne or index				12-Jun-20
-		This	Last				This	Last	
Commodity	Month	week	week	Year ago	Commodity	Month	week	week	Year ago
SRW Wheat	July	184.45	189.28	197.87	Soybeans	July	320.13	319.40	329.50
HRW Wheat	July	164.70	169.57	174.99	Soya Meal	July	262.17	262.44	293.46
HRS Wheat	July	188.59	191.80	206.96	Soya Oil	July	606.29	623.05	608.72
CWRS Wheat	Spot	238.36	244.37	255.76	Canola	July	469.40	465.40	454.90
CPS Wheat	Spot	204.22	215.03	219.72	Crude Oil(WTI)	July	36.56	39.46	52.52
Corn	July	129.91	130.75	178.34	Dollar Index	Jun	97.33	96.93	97.05
Ethanol	July	31.49	29.67	42.64	S&P 500	cash	3,041	3,169	2,887
Oats	July	205.55	214.79	196.31	Canola, new crop	Nov	473.00	471.40	498.00
Data in red are 12-month highs, blue are 12-month lows, green revised					Wheat SRW, new crop	Dec	189.87	196.69	206.04
For price specs. go to: www.open-i.ca/PriceSpec.htm					Corn, new crop	Dec	135.03	136.21	158.65

COMMENT: US wheat prices were pressured by the advancing winter wheat harvest and the USDA production estimate which was above pre report expectations but was supported by continuing reports of dry weather in Europe reducing winter wheat yield expectation. US corn price continued to be pressured by the relatively favourable conditions for the early development of their crop although the USDA supply and demand estimates were slightly bullish in the context of global output projections being slightly lower while a small increase had been expected. A rather negative ethanol outlook is beginning to look slightly less so. Soybean prospects are improving with continued daily reports of sales to China and weekly export sales data above pre-report expectations. Canola future trade volume has been unusually large this week possibly reflecting still uncertain Canadian market prospects.

NEWS: This week's Prairie provincial crop reports indicate that seeding is almost complete with generally favourable soil moisture. USDA's June 7 crop progress reports indicates spring planting is close to complete.

The USDA forecasted **US winter wheat production,** as of June 1, at 34.4 mmt, 1% above the May estimate, 3% below the estimate for 2019, and slightly above the range of pre report expectations. Average yield was 2.5 % below 2019 and harvested area only slightly lower. Hard red wheat output was up 1% and soft red wheat down slightly from their respective May estimates.

The USDA's June revisions to its Supply and Demand data include slightly higher estimate for **US wheat** supplies but with use forecasts unchanged ending stocks were raised by less than 2 percent, at the lowest level in 6 years. The **global wheat** supplies were raised by nearly 1 percent, due mainly to larger crop expectations for India and Australia. With use lowered fractionally ending stocks forecasts were raised by 3% at a record level. China is expected to hold 51 % of those stocks and India 10%.

Adjustments to its June US corn data for 2020-21 were limited

to a small reduction in ethanol use resulting a small increase in the ending stock forecast which now stands 58% above beginning stocks. This month's **global coarse grain outlook** is for larger production, increased use and lower stocks relative to last month.

This month's USDA 2020-21 outlook for **US soybean** is for higher beginning stocks, higher crush and slightly lower ending stocks, which are forecast to be a third lower than beginning stocks. The June revisions to the **global oilseed** forecast for 2020-21 is for slightly higher production and lower ending stocks with China's share of those stocks increasing.

OPINION: In contrast to a year ago US spring crops have been planted on time and in reasonable condition. Prairie crops have again been seeded in reasonable condition with agricultural year moisture to date above average in all but brown and yellow on map. Canadian crops may therefore be subject to more robust market competition than in 2019.

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