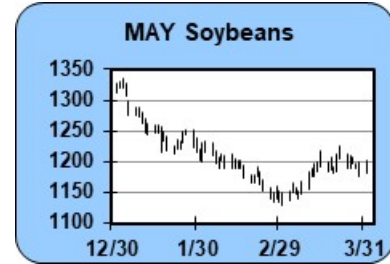




**DAILY SOY COMPLEX COMMENTARY**  
4/2/2024

**More beneficial rains across the US eastern bean belt**

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



**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Soybeans (MAY 24) prices overnight are up 1 1/2; Soymeal (MAY 24) down -1.50; and Soyoil (MAY 24) up 0.52. Soybean open interest as of April 1 was up 3,298 contracts, soymeal up 4,420 contracts, and soybean oil up 8,449. Chinese Dalian (MAY 24) Soybeans up 0.32%, Soymeal unchanged, Soyoil up 0.57%, Palm oil up 0.73%. Malaysian Palm was up 0.96%. Global equity markets overnight were split with declining markets holding a minimal edge over those posting gains. Critical economic news released overnight included a slower GBP BRC Shop Price Index reading for February, slower expansion of the Japanese monetary base in March, a minimal uptick in TD securities inflation readings for March, a contraction in Australian ANZ Job Advertisements for March, further weakness in an Australian RBA Commodity Index SDR, a contraction in Swiss retail sales, smaller than expected GBP Nationwide housing Price gains, better than expected HCOB manufacturing PMI Spain, Italy, France, Germany, and euro zone for March, better-than-expected Swiss SVME retail sales for February, softer than expected GBP consumer credit for February, stronger-than-expected GBP mortgage approvals and a stronger than expected GBP S&P global/CIPS PMI reading for March. The North American session will start out with a weekly private survey of same store sales. The February JOLTS survey is expected to have a modest downtick in job openings from January's 8.863 million while "quits" are forecast to have a minimal decline from January's 3.385 million. February factory orders are expected to have a sizable uptick from January's -3.6% reading. Fed Governor Bowman will speak during morning US trading hours while New York Fed President Williams, Cleveland Fed President Mester and San Francisco Fed President Daly will speak during the afternoon. Earnings announcements will include Paychex before the Wall Street opening while Cal-Maine Foods report after the close.

**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** Market moving news is slim this morning, but we give the edge to the bear camp as the Eastern bean belt is seeing beneficial rains today. February NASS crush came in at a record 193.9 million bushels, compared to estimates of 196.7 and January's 194.832 million. Bean oil stocks were 2.145 billion pounds, compared to 2.244 estimates and a 7-month high. Monday's weekly export inspections were disappointing and a 7-month low. StoneX updated their Brazil crop estimate to 150.8 million tonnes, down from 151.5 million previously and below USDA at 155 million. AgRural pegged Brazil harvest at 74% done, slightly under last year's 76%. EIA data showed January soy oil usage for renewable diesel was 960 million pounds, a 9-month low and compared to 1.141 billion in December. Extreme weather in January slowed demand. China will be auctioning off 415,000 tonnes of 2021/22 beans on Wednesday, but some of the beans have various crop disease problems, making it unlikely all the beans will be sold. The US dollar hit its highest since November 10th this morning and is certainly not helping US bean exports. The replenishment of soil moisture across the Midwest will continue next week as well as an active pattern remains in place, especially for the central and eastern belt. Brazil harvest is 75% complete but Argentine harvest is just getting started and presents another headwind for prices. A move lower should find retracement support at 1166 on May. Upside resistance is strong at 1200 and again at 1210. Rallies will be difficult to extend above resistance without a US weather problem.

US soybean crush hit a new record high for the month of February at 193.93 million bushels versus the previous record of 176.90 million in 2023. This was below the low-end of pre-report estimates. The February average is 169.78 million bushels. US soybean crush pace for February hit a new all-time record at 6.69 million bushels. The February average crush pace is 6.03 million bushels per day. The cumulative crush for the marketing year has

reached 1.17 billion bushels 50.8% of the USDA's current estimate for the marketing year. As of February, last year, the cumulative crush had reached 52.3% of the USDA forecast of 1.11 billion bushels. US soybean oil stocks in February came in at 2.146 billion pounds versus 2.029 last month and 2.364 last year. The average stock level for this time of year is 2.365 billion pounds. The largest stock level for this month was 2.425 billion (2018) and lowest was 2.146 billion this February.

Soybean export inspections for the week ending March 28th came in at 414,484 metric tonnes. Cumulative inspections year-to-date are 36,981,053 metric tonnes which is 18.7% below last year. This is 79.0% of the USDA's forecast for the 2023-24 marketing year versus the 5-year average of 75.1%.

**TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:**

Brazil harvest is in its final quarter and beneficial US Midwest moisture keeps the edge with the bear camp. Speculators may consider selling May on a bounce above 1202, risking the March high of 1226 3/4. Next retracement resistance is 1166 if Friday's low of 1177 gives way.

**NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

**PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

**SOYBEAN COMPLEX TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:**

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SOYBEANS (MAY) 04/02/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range could accelerate a price break if support levels are broken. The close under the 18-day moving average indicates the intermediate-term trend could be turning down. The market could take on a defensive posture with the daily closing price reversal down. It is a slightly negative indicator that the close was lower than the pivot swing number. The next downside target is 1168 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 1195 3/4 and 1208 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 1175 3/4 and below there at 1168 1/2.

SOYBEAN OIL (MAY) 04/02/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range could accelerate a price break if support levels are broken. The market's short-term trend is negative as the close remains below the 9-day moving average. The close over the pivot swing is a somewhat positive setup. The next downside target is 47.61. The next area of resistance is around 48.60 and 49.06, while 1st support hits today at 47.88 and below there at 47.61.

SOYMEAL (MAY) 04/02/2024: Momentum studies trending lower at mid-range could accelerate a price break if support levels are broken. The market back below the 18-day moving average suggests the intermediate-term trend could be turning down. The swing indicator gave a moderately negative reading with the close below the 1st support number. The next downside target is 326.8. The next area of resistance is around 337.1 and 341.6, while 1st support hits today at 329.7 and below there at 326.8.

**DAILY CORN COMMENTARY**

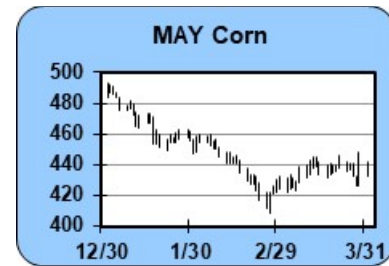
**4/2/2024**

## Buying support likely on pullback in Dec corn

### OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT):

CORN +0.1

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Corn (MAY 24) prices overnight are unchanged. Corn open interest as of April 1 was down 4,471 contracts. Chinese Dalian (MAY 24) Corn was up 0.50%.



**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** Upside follow through since Thursday's bullish acreage report has been disappointing, although prices yesterday and today have remained inside Friday's trading range. This week's weakness is tied to the additional reports of confirmed bird flu cases in 5 more Texas dairy herds as well as 1 herd in Michigan and New Mexico, two herds in Kansas and now 7 in Texas. Idaho is waiting on test results for confirmation. In yesterday's midday news a Texas man tested positive for avian flu after being in contact with infected cattle and that seems to confirm fears of cattle-to-human transmission, but also raises the likelihood of cattle-to-cattle transmission, increasing the odds USDA may have to quarantine and/or restrict cattle movement. Idaho has already banned imports of cattle from Texas. The USDA said the situation is rapidly evolving. US corn planting has begun and stands at 2% complete, with Texas now 56% complete. Beneficial rains this week over the Eastern corn belt will improve spring planting conditions and more is expected next week. The US attache to Brazil lowered their total corn crop to 122 million tonnes, down from USDA's 124 million. China is asking some importers to delay corn arrivals in bonded areas to boost domestic prices, which are hovering near 3-year lows. Typically, corn is imported into bonded areas where it is blended into animal feed to qualify for a reduced duty when sold. Corn used for ethanol in February was 441.5 million bushels, up 10.7% from February 2023. While the US is seeing some soil replenishing rains, Brazil's stress is rising in safrinha areas of Mato Grosso Do Sul and Parana. Weekly export inspections were above the highest guess and a marketing year high, continuing the trend of solid sales and shipments. Corn open interest jumped nearly 41,000 contracts Thursday, which is indicative of new buying. Key support on May futures sits at 426 with key resistance now at Thursday's high of 448. December futures may be supported on breaks better than the May contract as December prices can't afford to fall and lose more acres. Good buying should be seen on \$0.05-\$0.10 breaks in December.

Corn export inspections for the week ending March 28 came in at 1,431,535 metric tonnes. Cumulative inspections year-to-date are 25,867,120 metric tonnes which is 33.5% above last year. This is 48.5% of the USDA's forecast for the 2023-24 marketing year versus the five year average of 46.9%.

### TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Demand worries regarding the cattle flu has kept prices from following through after Thursday's bullish report and with acreage on the very low end of guesses, December corn should find the best support on breaks. Close-in support on December is 469 and then 462. Speculators can consider buying December corn under 470, risking \$0.10.

### NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

### PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

### CORN TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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CORN (MAY) 04/02/2024: A negative indicator was given with the downside crossover of the 9 and 18 bar moving average. Stochastics trending lower at midrange will tend to reinforce a move lower especially if support levels are taken out. The intermediate trend has turned down with the cross over back below the 18-day moving

average. It is a slightly negative indicator that the close was under the swing pivot. The next downside objective is now at 426 3/4. The next area of resistance is around 440 1/4 and 446, while 1st support hits today at 430 3/4 and below there at 426 3/4.

CORN (JUL) 04/02/2024: Stochastics trending lower at midrange will tend to reinforce a move lower especially if support levels are taken out. The close below the 18-day moving average is an indication the intermediate-term trend has turned down. It is a slightly negative indicator that the close was under the swing pivot. The next downside objective is 441 1/4. The next area of resistance is around 453 1/2 and 458 1/4, while 1st support hits today at 445 and below there at 441 1/4.

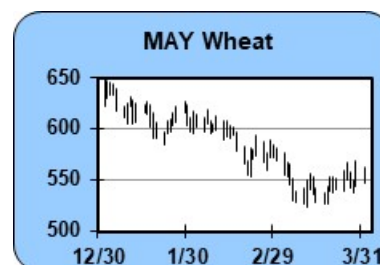
## DAILY WHEAT COMMENTARY

4/2/2024

### US wheat conditions best since 2019

**OVERNIGHT CHANGES THROUGH 6:06 AM (CT):**  
**WHEAT** +0.05

**OVERNIGHT DEVELOPMENTS:** Chicago wheat (MAY 24) prices overnight are down -1/2; Kansas City (MAY 24) down -1 3/4; and Minneapolis (MAY 24) up 2 1/2. MATIF Milling Wheat(MAY 24) was down -0.9%. Chicago wheat open interest as of April 1 was up 6,397 contracts and Minneapolis wheat was up 715 contracts.



**NEAR-TERM MARKET FUNDAMENTALS:** May Chicago wheat remains inside last Thursday's trading range after the 1st condition report of the year showed the best winter wheat conditions for this time of year since 2019. Some rains occurred overnight in the far northern Texas Panhandle and Oklahoma panhandles and central Oklahoma. More is expected for the southern Plains mid-next week. No extreme cold is in the forecast and above normal temperatures are expected in the 8-14 day forecast. Weekly export inspections were a bright spot and above the highest guess and a 3-month high. Kansas State University says southwest Kansas has the greatest chance of freeze injury from last week's cold temperatures, but assessment may take up to 10 to 14 days to determine if the head was injured by the freeze. The 1st winter wheat condition report came in at 56% good/excellent, compared to pre-report guesses averaging 57% and 28% last year. Russian wheat export prices are higher for the 3rd week in a row and stand at \$208 per tonne, up \$3 from last week. Ukraine exports of grain in March were down 10.3% from the previous month according to their Ag Ministry, as port attacks slowed loadings. USDA says India could likely be a wheat importer in 2024/25 due to their low government reserves. Saudi Arabia purchase 795,000 tonnes of optional origin wheat, likely to be sourced from the black sea or EU. With US winter wheat conditions coming in right on the guesses and the highest in 5 years, it will be difficult for rallies to extend above resistance until some new bullish news is uncovered. May Chicago moving average resistance is 573. If prices can move above that level, the next significant selling opportunity would be 595.

Wheat export inspections for the week ending March 28 came in at 498,989 metric tonnes. Cumulative inspections year-to-date are 14,783,027 metric tonnes which is 12.3% below last year. This is 74.9% of the USDA's forecast for the 2023-24 marketing year versus the 5-year average of 78.6%.

The March 26th Commitments of Traders report showed Wheat Managed Money traders are net short 92,102 contracts after net selling 11,532 contracts. CIT traders added 696 contracts to their already long position and are now net long 108,235. Non-Commercial No CIT traders were net short 114,732 contracts after increasing their already short position by 6,334 contracts. Non-Commercial & non-reportable traders were net short 64,149 contracts after increasing their already short position by 3,559 contracts.

### TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Russian/Ukraine dryness is the only potential bullish weather issue now, as US winter wheat conditions sit at a 5-year high for this time a year. Bearish world fundamentals remain in place, although Russian prices have inched higher over the past couple weeks. We don't see anything in the news that would warrant any major rally. Speculators can consider selling May Chicago on a bounce to 572. Support sits at 538 1/2.

**NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

**PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None.

**WHEAT TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:**

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WHEAT (MAY) 04/02/2024: Positive momentum studies in the neutral zone will tend to reinforce higher price action. The close above the 9-day moving average is a positive short-term indicator for trend. The market's close below the pivot swing number is a mildly negative setup. The next upside objective is 571 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 564 3/4 and 571 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 549 1/4 and below there at 540 1/2.

KC WHEAT (MAY) 04/02/2024: Stochastics trending lower at midrange will tend to reinforce a move lower especially if support levels are taken out. The market back below the 18-day moving average suggests the intermediate-term trend could be turning down. The swing indicator gave a moderately negative reading with the close below the 1st support number. The next downside objective is now at 552 1/2. The next area of resistance is around 587 3/4 and 599 1/2, while 1st support hits today at 564 1/4 and below there at 552 1/2.

MINN WHEAT (MAY) 04/02/2024: Momentum studies are still bearish but are now at oversold levels and will tend to support reversal action if it occurs. 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 target is now at 621. The next area of resistance is around 642 3/4 and 652 3/4, while 1st support hits today at 626 3/4 and below there at 621.

RICE (MAY) 04/02/2024: 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's close below the pivot swing number is a mildly negative setup. The next downside objective is 16.102. Selling may soon dry up since the RSI is under 20 indicating the market is extremely oversold. The next area of resistance is around 16.412 and 16.571, while 1st support hits today at 16.178 and below there at 16.102.

**DAILY TECHNICAL STATISTICS**

	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 COMPLEX</b>										
CNAK24	435 1/2	49.22	48.61	54.09	48.87	434.19	437.00	437.26	437.73	444.10
CNAN24	449 1/4	50.80	50.06	56.48	52.18	447.00	449.97	449.78	448.84	454.73
SSAK24	1185 3/4	46.71	48.26	60.47	47.70	1192.19	1197.50	1190.51	1184.47	1199.13
SSAN24	1199 1/2	47.18	48.86	62.03	49.62	1205.94	1211.14	1203.64	1195.45	1209.29
SMAK24	333.4	41.19	43.48	56.92	45.91	337.48	339.04	337.47	339.74	345.59
BOAK24	48.24	53.90	54.30	67.37	61.39	48.07	48.32	47.90	46.83	47.18
WHAK24	557	54.56	50.18	57.61	65.87	552.06	551.36	544.56	570.03	580.53
WHAN24	572 3/4	56.69	52.32	63.43	69.44	567.63	566.69	558.99	577.55	587.99
RCAK24	16.295	9.28	17.99	3.50	2.53	16.51	17.04	17.45	18.12	18.05
KWAK24	576	45.10	46.09	52.05	46.46	579.06	582.36	581.07	588.42	596.31
MWAK24	634 3/4	31.63	35.83	25.90	15.75	644.50	651.75	654.81	666.58	676.98
OTAK24	355 3/4	41.56	43.35	20.79	17.11	356.31	356.44	361.01	364.64	364.98

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## DAILY SWING STATISTICS

Contract		Support 2	Support 1	Pivot	Resist 1	Resist 2
<b>GRAIN COMPLEX</b>						
CNAK24	Corn	426 1/2	430 1/2	436 1/4	440 1/2	446
CNAN24	Corn	441 1/4	445	449 3/4	453 1/2	458 1/4
SSAK24	Soybeans	1168 1/2	1175 1/2	1188 3/4	1196	1209
SSAN24	Soybeans	1183	1189 1/2	1202 3/4	1209 1/2	1222 1/2
SMAK24	Soymeal	326.8	329.7	334.2	337.1	341.6
BOAK24	Soybean Oil	47.60	47.87	48.33	48.60	49.06
WHAK24	Wheat	540 1/2	549 1/4	556	564 3/4	571 1/2
WHAN24	Wheat	556 1/2	565 1/4	571 1/2	580 1/4	586 1/2
RCAK24	Rice	16.101	16.177	16.336	16.412	16.571
KWAK24	KC Wheat	552 1/2	564 1/4	576	587 3/4	599 1/2
MWAK24	MINN Wheat	621	626 3/4	637	642 3/4	653
OTAK24	Oats	352 1/2	353 3/4	356 1/2	357 3/4	360 1/2

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