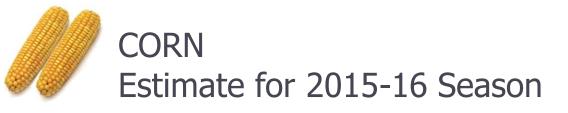
Corn & Soybeans

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- Global Corn production for 2015-16 season is projected at 970.08 Mio t, +2.15 Mio t from last month, reflecting higher production expected for Brazil and Argentina.
- Brazil Corn production on Aug. 31 is raised 2.5 Mio t to 84 Mio t based on higher first-crop yields and indications that strong domestic Corn prices, reflecting the devalued local currency, will increase second-crop plantings. Argentina Corn production is increased 1.4 Mio t to 27 Mio t on higher area.
 South Africa Corn production for 2015-16 is lowered 1 Mio t, as continued historic draught conditions further reduce crop prospects.
- The Corn production in the United States, the main Producer, is unchanged from last month. U.S. Corn ending stocks are projected higher this month with imports raised and exports lowered, as larger supplies of South American further increase competition.
- Russia will suspend the importation of Corn and Soybeans from the US as of February 15, according to an official at the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance.

In China Corn feed use is expected to increase by 2 Mio t (152 Mio t) as relative internal market prices are expected to support greater corn feeding at the expense of wheat.
 Source: USDA – FAS Foreign Agricultural Service, February 2016 - WASDE (World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates)

CORN – **Global** and **US** outlook: Estimate for the 2015-16 Season

			Million tons		From January 2016 (projections)
	Beginning stocks		206.18		-0.5%
	Production		970.08		+0.2%
ŧ	Total use		967.45		+0.1%
	Ending stocks	5	208.81		-0.1%
***		Billic	on bushels	Million tons	From January 2016 (projections)
CORN conversion factors 1 bushel = 0.025 metric ton 1 metric ton = 39.38 bushel	Beginning stocks		1.73	43.97	0.0%
	Production		13.60	345.49	0.0%
	Total use		11.89	302.15	+0.2%
	Export		1.65	41.91	-2.9%
	Ending stocks		1.84	46.67	+1.9%
	Price projection	3,60 \$/bushe		142 \$/ton	126 €/ton ↓
	1 month ago	3,6	0 \$/bushel	142 \$/ton	130 €/ton





SOYBEANS

Estimate for 2015-16 Season

- Global Soybean production for 2015-16 is projected at 320.51 Mio t, +1.5 Mio t compared to January forecast.
- The rise reflects the yields increase for Argentina, the third largest producer after the US and Brazil.
- The Soybean production in the United States is unchanged. U.S. ending stocks are projected higher (+2.3%) due to a lower crush (the process of converting Soybeans into Soybean meal and Soybean oil). Meal exports are reduced on sluggish shipments and sales as well as greater competition from Argentina where larger projected Soybean supplies boost Soybean meal exports.
- Russia will suspend the importation of Corn and Soybeans from the US as of February 15, according to an official at the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance.
- ▶ Global ending stocks are projected at 80.42 Mio t, +1.4% compared to the estimates of last month, due to higher Soybean stocks in Argentina, the United States and Turkey.



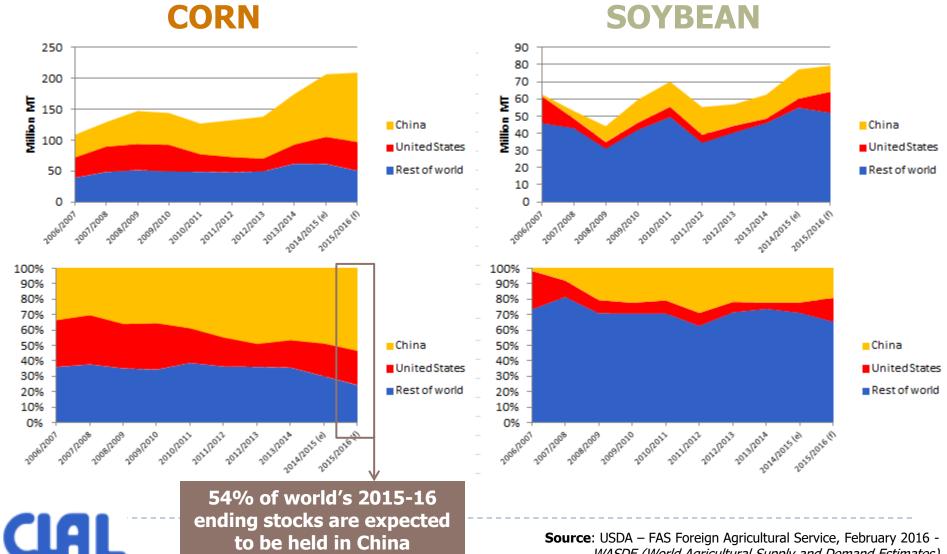
SOYBEANS – **Global** and **US** outlook: Estimate for the 2015-16 Season

			Million tons		From January 2016 (projections)
	Beginning stocks		77.08		+0.2%
	Production	Production		0.51	+0.5%
E.	Total use	Total use		4.52	+0.2%
	Ending stocks	Ending stocks		.42	+1.4%
		Billio	on bushels	Million tons	From January 2016 (projections)
	Beginning stocks		0.19	5.19	0.0%
	Production		3.93	106.95	0.0%
	Total use		2.01	54.73	-0.5%
	Export		1.69	45.99	0.0%
	Ending stocks		0.45	12.23	+2.3%
SOYBEANS conversion factors 1 bushel = 0.027 metric ton 1 metric ton = 36.74 bushel	Price projection	8.8	0 \$/bushel	323 \$/ton	286 €/ton ↓
	1 month ago	8.8	0 \$/bushel	323 \$/ton	298 €/ton



Source: USDA – FAS Foreign Agricultural Service, February 2016 -WASDE (World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates)

Corn and Soybean Ending Stocks with Focus on China and the United States



WASDE (World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates)

Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) Corn prices

Corn price trend as listed by the <u>CME of Chicago</u>:

CBOT:ZCH2016, W 359'6 ▼ -1'2 (-0.35%) O:366'0 H:367'0 L:359'2 C:359'6

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\$ / bushel



Soybean price trend as listed by the <u>CME of Chicago</u>:



CBOT:ZSH2016, W 864'6 🛦 +1'4 (+0.17%) O: 867'4 H: 868'6 L: 859'4 C: 864'6

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Agricultural and Energy Inputs Correlations

Price comparison: Corn (Italy), Soy flour (Italy) and Crude Oil (US)

Historical comparative overview between Italian Corn and Soy Flour price with the Crude Oil price

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Focus on **Italy** Corn and Soy prices

- National Corn and Soy prices as listed by the Milan Chamber of Commerce, in comparison with the Farm-gate milk price:
 - ► Italian Corn: 174 ÷ 175 €/ton (unchanged from last month)
 - Italian Soy flour: 327 ÷ 328 €/ton (-8 € from last month)



