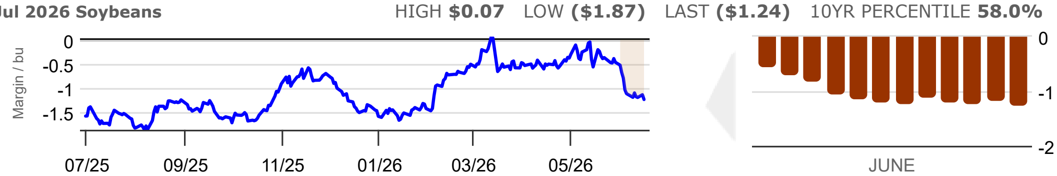
Soybeans Margin Watch: June

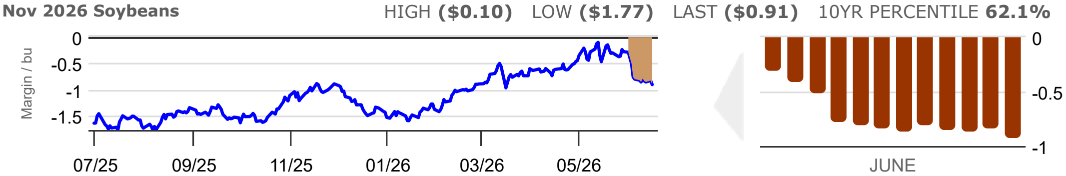
Soybean futures traded 50 cents lower through the first half of June as planting progress nears completion and favorable weather helps establish new growth. USDA reported that planting progress is 95% complete across the US. Of the 7 million acres left to plant, 2 million come from Missouri, Kansas and Illinois. The soybean crop was rated 66% good and excellent, up 3% from the five-year average. Conditions vary across the Eastern states with Ohio rated 49% good and excellent, although the upcoming weather forecast supports growing conditions with rain anticipated for the Eastern Corn Belt and cooler temperatures. The June WASDE report was largely uneventful for soybeans with no change to the old or new crop ending stocks. Old crop exports were trimmed by 20 million bushels to 1.510 billion bushels, now in line with data to date. Crush was raised by 20 million bushels to reflect pace to date. Soybean spot board crush margins reflect near record highs, reflecting strong domestic demand for soybean oil. On the global balance sheet, Argentina production was raised 2 MMT to 50 MMT. Argentina is expected to gradually reduce soybean export taxes starting January 2027. The intention is to decrease taxes from 24% to 21% by December 2027 followed by a decrease to 15% by December 2028. While Argentina primarily exports soybean meal, this could incentivize farmers to sell soybeans. Market attention will continue to focus on new crop growing conditions, final area planted when the June Acreage report is released and the possible opening of the Strait of Hormuz. A US/Iran peace framework is expected to be signed Friday in Switzerland, with Strait of Hormuz access anticipated to resume the following weekend. Our clients have benefited from the floors in place ahead of the recent market break. They are actively evaluating adjustments to keep downside protection but reopen upside opportunity should the market rebound throughout the growing season. as the market trades lower.

Jul 2026 Soybeans HIGH **$0.07** LOW **($1.87)** LAST **($1.24)** 10YR PERCENTILE **58.0%**



The estimated yield for the Jul 2026 crop is 66 bushels per acre and the non-land operating cost is $501 per acre. Land cost for Jul 2026 is estimated at $293 per acre [1]. Basis for the Jul 2026 crop is estimated at $-0.3 per bushel.

Nov 2026 Soybeans HIGH **($0.10)** LOW **($1.77)** LAST **($0.91)** 10YR PERCENTILE **62.1%**



The estimated yield for the Nov 2026 crop is 67 bushels per acre and the estimated operating cost is $495 per acre. Land cost for Nov 2026 is estimated at $294 per acre [1]. Basis for the Nov 2026 crop is estimated at $-0.4 per bushel.

[1] The Soybeans Margin Watch yield, land and non-land operating cost values are based upon central Illinois low productivity farmland crop estimates in the "Historic Corn, Soybean, Wheat, and Double-crop Soybeans" report published by the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics at the University of Illinois.