# **Agricultural Options**

May 2018



# **Ag Option Product Suite**

#### **Highlights**

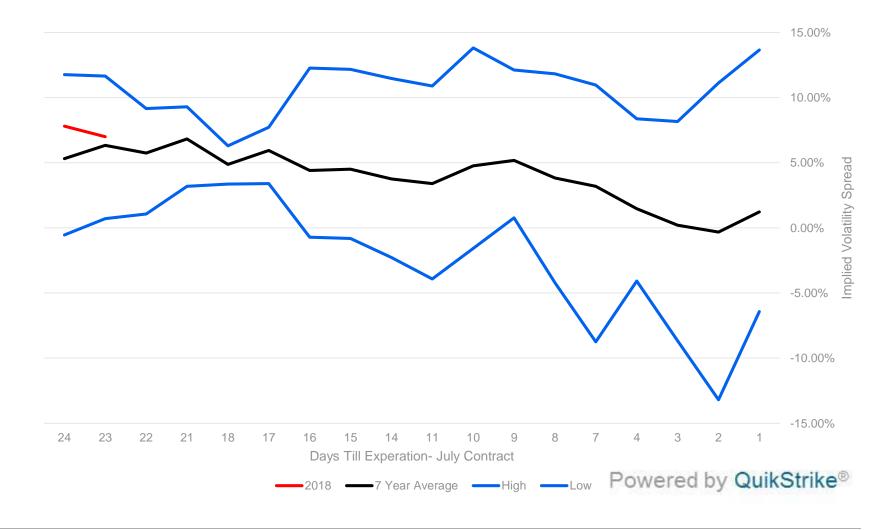
- Corn, Soybean and Soybean Meal front-month volatility at historically low levels, exhibiting strong activity
- Elevated call skew in Corn and Soybean Meal
- Growing open interest heading into summer

Option Product	May ADV	Year/Year % Change
Corn	112,749	31%
Soybean	85,911	42%
Chicago SRW Wheat	42,199	26%
Soybean Meal	15,753	82%
Live Cattle	13,928	1%
Hogs	7,202	-24%
Soybean Oil	4,777	-58%
Short-Dated New Crop Option	7,265	154%
Ag Weekly Option	4,522	115%
KC HRW Wheat	3,907	3%



# **Seasonal Implied Volatility Premium - Corn**

**September Implied Volatility Minus July Implied Volatility** 





# **Open Interest Change- May**

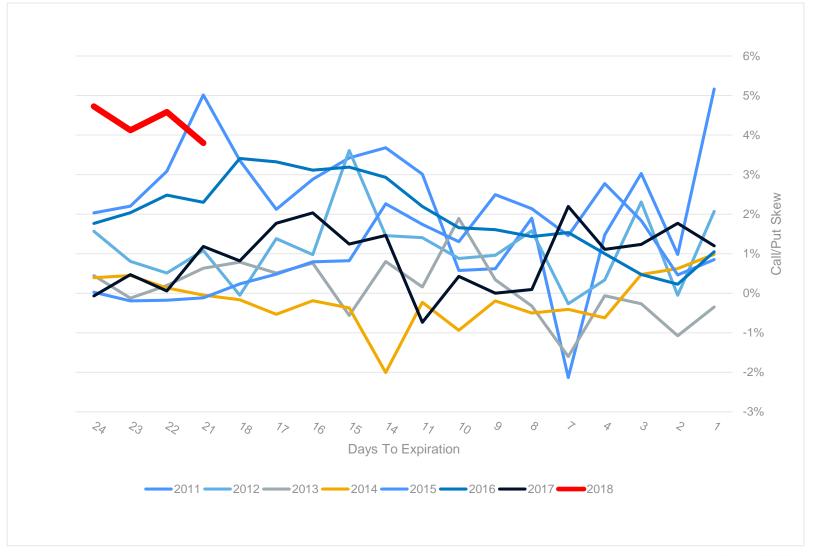
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Product	Open Interest	Change over Month	Most Active Strike
Corn	1.8 M	<b>4</b> 40,064 (32%)	Sept 450 Calls 21,317
Soybeans	773 K	<b>2</b> 27,897 (42%)	Nov 1100 Calls 16,655
Wheat	443K	124,488 (39%)	July 500 Put 10,537
Live Cattle	456,335	<b>4</b> 4,569 (44%)	August 97 Put 1,923

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# Soybean Meal July Skew (Call – Put)

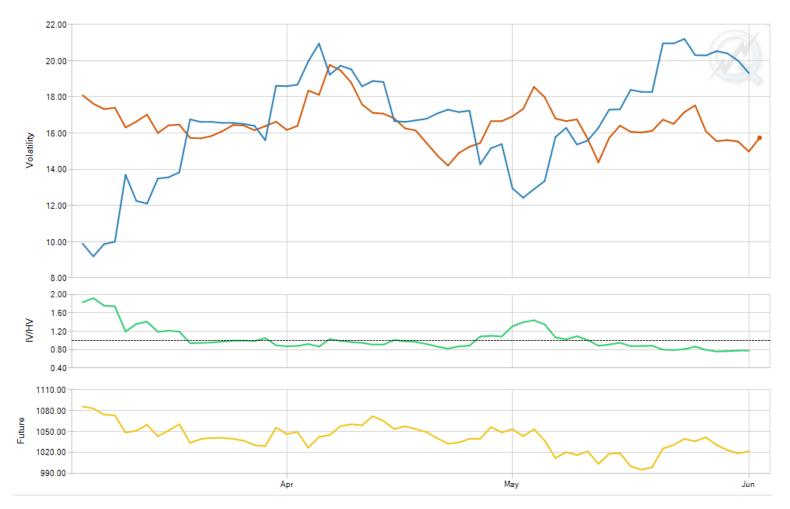


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# July Soybean Implied Vol vs. 20 Day Historical Vol





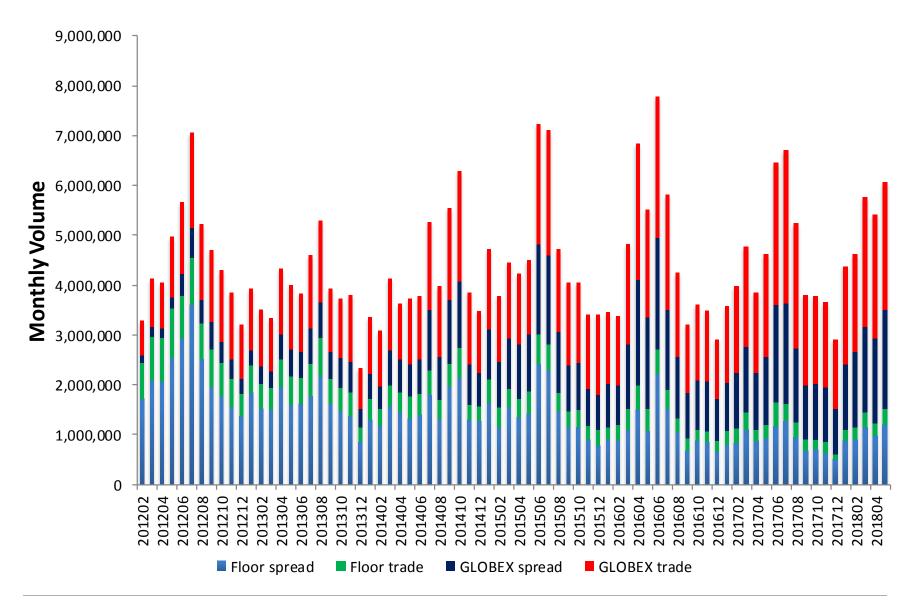
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#### **Volume – Time Series**

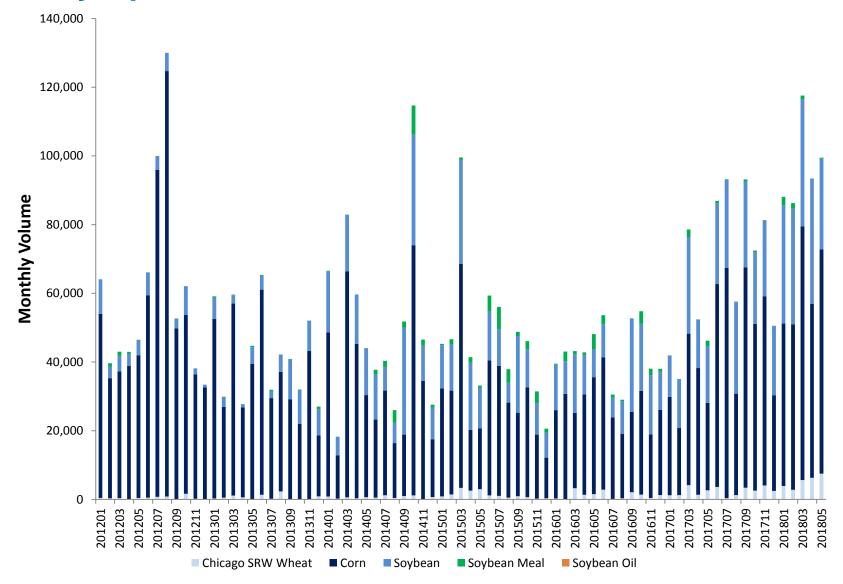


#### **Grain/Oilseed Option Volume By Venue**



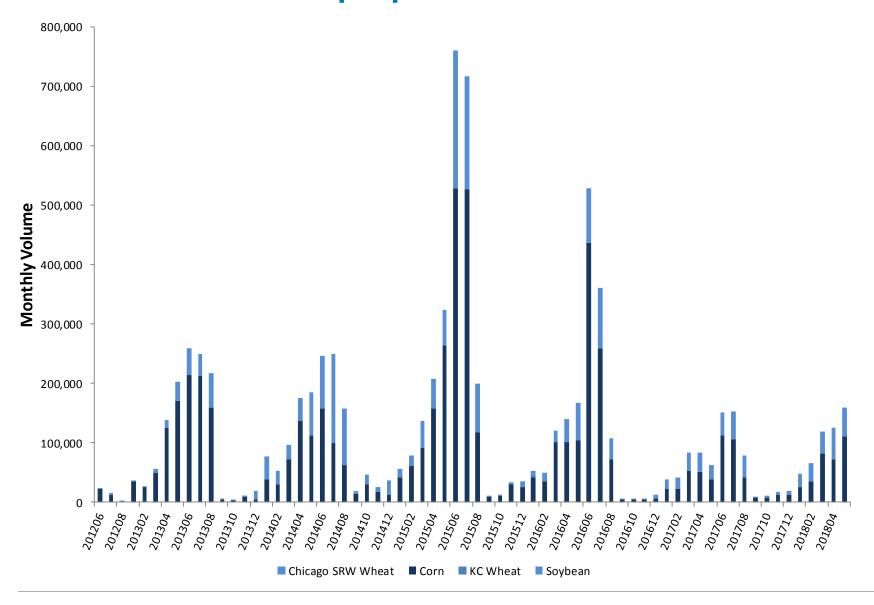


### **Weekly Option Volume**



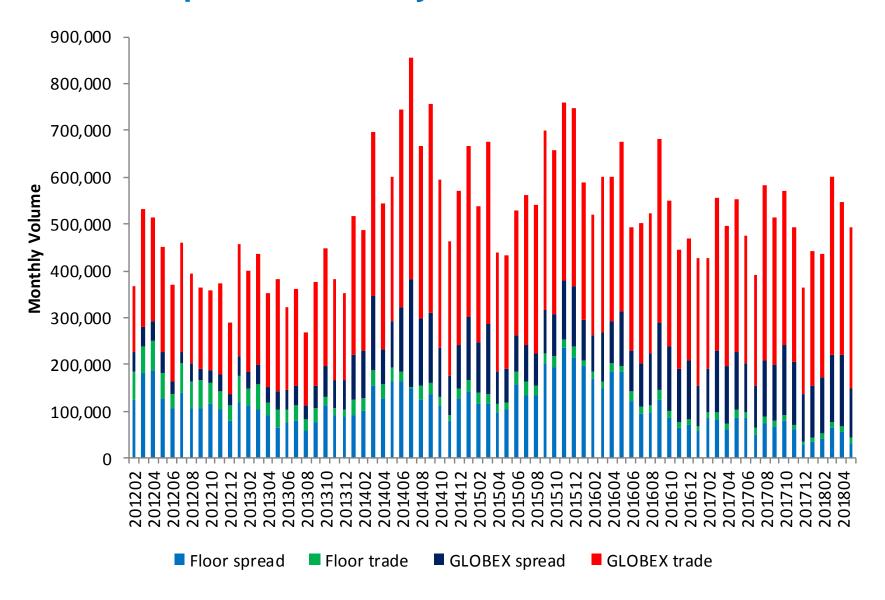


# **Short Dated New Crop Option Volume**



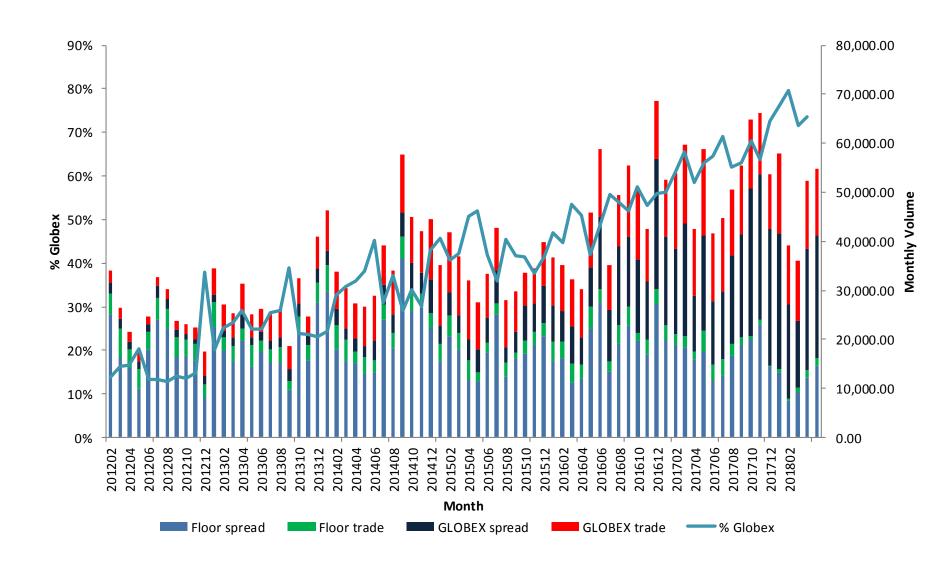


### **Livestock Option Volume By Venue**





#### **Dairy Option Volume By Venue**





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