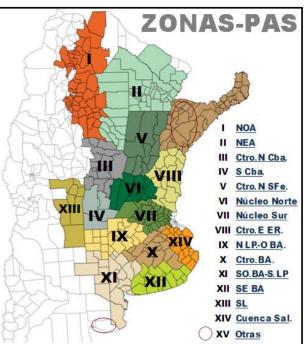






#### **CROP REPORT - HIGHLIGHTS**

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#### Referencias:

NOA: Salta+Tucumán+Jujuy+Catamarca+Oeste Sgo del Estero.

NEA: Chaco+Este Sgo del Estero+Formosa

Ctro N Sfe: Centro-Norte de Santa Fe. Ctro N Cba: Centro-Norte de Córdoba. Núcleo Norte: Este de Córdoba+Centro-Sur de Santa Fe+Sudoeste de Entre Ríos. S Cba: Sur de Córdoba. N LP-O BA: Norte de La Pampa+ Oeste de Buenos Aires.

Ctro E ER: Entre Ríos excluido Victoria y Diamante.

Ctro BA: Centro de Buenos Aires.

SO BA-S LP: Sudoeste de Buenos Aires+Sur de La Pampa.

SE BA: Sudeste de Buenos Aires. SL: San Luis.

Cuenca Sal: Este de la Cuenca del Salado. Otras: Corrientes+Misiones.

#### WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK

BUENOS AIRES GRAINS EXCHANGE

October 9, 2014

AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: OCTOBER 9 TO 15, 2014: HEAT AND PRECIPITATIONS OVER THE NORTHEAST AND SOUTHEAST-END OF THE AG. REGION, FOLLOWED BY A SHARP TEMPERATURE DROP.

### **OUTLOOK SUMMARY**

At the beginning of the current perspective, northelry winds will impact over most part of the agricultural area. At the same time, the passage of a Pampero front will bring precipitations to the northeast and southeast-end of the agricultural area with local storms and a temperature drop. Coupled with the front, winds will rotate towards the south sector, leading to a sharp temperature drop in the center and south of the agricultural area with likelihood of frosts, while the North will observe a more moderate temperature drop.

## CORN

To date, planting has progressed to 24.5% of an area estimated as 3,000,000 hectares, posting weekon-week advance for 12.1 % and YOY increase by 10.9 %. Overall, 733 thousand hectares were covered countrywide.

Last week rainfalls over most of the ag region have replenished moisture on the plots. thus pushing planting in areas with scarce soil water supplies. The main progress in the last seven days was observed in the South of Cordoba, Mid-East of Entre Ríos, North and South Belts, and the North of La Pampa-West of Buenos Aires region.

Toward the wheat producing area, which reports the steepest falls of area this season, planting has made significant progress in the last few days. The remaining area will be planted in late November, early December.

CORN PLANTING As of: Oct. 09, 2014						
2014/15 Season		Hectareage (Ha)		Porcentage	Hectares	
Zonas		2013/14	2014/15	planted (%)	planted	
I	NOA	282.000	267.900	0,0	-	
II	NEA	302.000	280.000	3,0	8.400	
Ш	Ctro N Cba	580.000	464.000	8,5	39.440	
IV	S Cba	410.000	336.200	28,0	94.136	
V	Ctro N SFe	136.000	119.600	40,5	48.438	
VI	Núcleo Norte	360.000	270.000	65,3	176.175	
VII	Núcleo Sur	320.000	249.600	45,0	112.320	
VIII	Ctro E ER	151.000	135.900	55,0	74.745	
IX	N LP-OBA	424.000	339.200	32,5	110.240	
X	Ctro BA	218.000	174.400	26,0	45.344	
XI	SO BA-S LP	100.000	92.000	3,8	3.450	
XII	SE BA	90.000	85.500	2,6	2.180	
XIII	SL	130.000	123.500	1,8	2.161	
XIV	Cuenca Sal	48.000	43.200	21,3	9.180	
XV	Otras	19.000	19.000	39,2	7.448	
	TOTAL	3.570.000	3.000.000	24,5	733.658	

# **SUNFLOWER**

Rainfalls registered since our last publication have interrupted planting in the south of the ag region, therefore, countrywide planted area has reached only 22.5 % of 1,350,000 hectares projected, marking a slight week-on-week advance of 1.2 % and a YOY decrease of -6.7 %.

Within the last seven days there were random plantings in the West of Buenos Aires and North of La Pampa. Toward the Southwest of Buenos Aires and South of La Pampa there were also isolated plantings that were interrupted by the storm front. In the center of Buenos Aires the situation was similar, reporting the first sowings in the vicinity of Saladillo and Rauch. Toward the Southeast of Buenos Aires some plots were incorporated near Balcarce, Quequén and Tres Arroyos.

On the opposite extreme of the ag region there were very heterogeneous rains in the NE Area. The volume accumulated last weekend ranged from 3 to 40 mm in the region. In the Mid-North of Santa Fe plots have evolved in better water conditions.

SUNFLOWER PLANTING As of: Oct. 9, 2014							
Season		Hectarea	age (Ha)	Porcentage	Hectares		
Zone		2013/14 2014/15		planted (%)	planted		
ı	NOA	-	-	-	-		
II	NEA	230.000	190.000	100,0	190.000		
Ш	Ctro N Cba	3.000	2.000	0,0	-		
IV	S Cba	22.000	15.000	0,0	-		
V	Ctro N SFe	150.000	90.000	100,0	90.000		
VI	<b>Núcleo Norte</b>	7.000	4.000	0,0	-		
VII	Núcleo Sur	9.000	5.000	0,0	-		
VIII	Ctro E ER	5.000	3.000	0,0	-		
IX	N LP-OBA	100.000	90.000	5,0	4.500		
X	Ctro BA	45.000	55.000	4,0	2.200		
XI	SO BA-S LP	420.000	420.000	1,0	4.200		
XII	SE BA	380.000	380.000	3,0	11.400		
XIII	SL	30.000	20.000	0,0	-		
XIV	Cuenca Sal	75.000	72.000	2,0	1.440		
XV	Otras	4.000	4.000	0,0	-		
TOTAL		1.480.000	1.350.000	22,5	303.740		

# WHEAT

Last weekend precipitations have offset the lack of moisture in wide areas of the West of the ag region. One of the most benefited areas was the Mid-North of Cordoba, where the crop was at risk of suffering lack of water while moving through critical yielding stages. The south of the province also received rainfalls that replenished plots and improved harvest expectations in the region. Wide areas of La Pampa and West of Buenos Aires have also reported rains that will leverage yield potential.

However, abundant precipitations were observed in areas with water excess, in the center and southeast of Buenos Aires and in Cuenca del Salado. Nevertheless, area losses are not likely to increase at this point.

Meanwhile, a few days before this report, specific plots started to harvest in the NW and NE Areas, which are two of the most affected areas by water deficit. Although last weekend there were rains of varied intensity in the NE Area, neither region was able to offset the water difict in time, and most of the planted area will yield below historical averages.

WHE	AT PLANTING		As of:	Oct 09, 2014	
2014/15 Season		Hectareage (Ha)		Porcentage	Hectares
Zone		2013/14	2014/15	planted (%)	planted
I	NOA	50.000	175.000	100,0	175.000
II	NEA	140.000	250.000	100,0	250.000
Ш	Ctro N Cba	320.000	390.000	100,0	390.000
IV	S Cba	156.000	177.000	100,0	177.000
V	Ctro N SFe	192.000	215.000	100,0	215.000
VI	Núcleo Norte	315.000	355.000	100,0	355.000
VII	Núcleo Sur	280.000	294.000	100,0	294.000
VIII	Ctro E ER	180.000	200.000	100,0	200.000
IX	N LP-OBA	300.000	330.000	100,0	330.000
X	Ctro BA	165.000	140.000	100,0	140.000
XI	SO BA-S LP	800.000	900.000	100,0	900.000
XII	SE BA	650.000	610.000	100,0	610.000
XIII	SL	4.000	5.000	100,0	5.000
XIV	Cuenca Sal	60.000	50.000	100,0	50.000
XV	Otras	8.000	9.000	100,0	9.000
TOTAL		3.620.000	4.100.000	100,0	4.100.000

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