



WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL REPORT



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AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK DECEMBER 14 TO 20, 2017

HEAT WAVE AND PRECIPITATIONS OVER THE CENTER AND NORTH OF THE AGRICULTURAL AREA, WITH SCARCE VALUES IN THE SOUTH AND A LATER TEMPERATURE DROP

At the beginning of the perspective, northerly winds will bring an intense heat wave to most part of the agricultural area. Only the hilly areas and the Atlantic Littoral will observe lower values. At the same time, the passage of a storm front, with irregular activity, will bring abundant precipitations, with severe local storms to the northwest and the center of the agricultural area. Rainfalls will be moderate / scarce over the northeast and most of the south of the area. Coupled with the front, the late entry of winds coming from the southwest will sharply drop temperatures over the south of the Ag. region. The North, however, will remain under the influence of tropical winds.

SOYBEAN

Lack of surface moisture delays fieldwork. To date soybeans are 63,5% planted, out of a final area projected at 18,1 M hectares. Weekly progress stands at 10.2 percentage points with a YoY delay of 3 points. 6,6 M hectares remain unplanted. Half of them are likely to be planted in the coming two weeks. Under this scenario, the initial planting plans may not be achieved.

CORN

Over the last week, corn planting continued expanding into most part of the agricultural area. Most part of the area under analysis observes delays in the planting of late and second crops. Precipitations are expected to foster fieldwork. The NEA and NOA regions has begun planting. Early-planted crops are under phenological stages. To date, corn is 45.3% planted, up 5.9% YoY (season 2016/17: 5.1 MHa). Weekly progress stands at 4.9 percentage points. In absolute numbers, 2.4 M hectares have already been planted.

SUNFLOWER

Sunflower planting is complete after the incorporation of the last plots in the south of Buenos Aires and La Pampa. The area, this season, is 3% higher compared to the previous season and 210,000 hectares higher than the average of the last 5 seasons. (Sunflower area 2012/13 a 2016/17: 1.54 MHas). Harvest continued progressing into specific plots in central Chaco with an average yield of 2.1 T/H. Sunflower is 1.1% harvested.

SORGHUM

Over the last two weeks, sorghum planting continued expanding into most part of the national agricultural area. Most of the fieldwork progress took place in the provinces of Buenos Aires, Córdoba, Santa Fe and Entre Rios, although some delays were observed due to lack of moisture.

To date, planting is 52.1 % complete out of a final area estimated at 830,000 hectares, up 4% YoY(Area 2016/17: 800,000 Ha.). Fortnightly progress stands at 16.1 percentage points. In absolute numbers, 430,000 hectares have already been planted.

WHEAT

Over the last week, wheat harvest has gained pace in the center of the country. To date, wheat is 58,3% harvested, with an average yield of 2,8 T/H. The south west of Buenos Aires has begun the harvest of its early-planted crops. The ideal yields obtained in the south of Córdoba and north and west of Buenos Aires have raised the national



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ANNEX

SOYBEAN

2017/18 Season

As of: Dec. 13, 2017

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted
	2016/17	2017/18		
I NOA	950.000	1.010.000	2,6	25.800
II NEA	1.400.000	1.330.000	5,4	71.920
III Ctro N Cba	2.200.000	2.230.000	67,3	1.500.700
IV S Cba	1.640.000	1.630.000	78,5	1.279.210
V Ctro N SFe	1.340.000	1.350.000	68,2	920.800
VI Núcleo Norte	2.840.000	2.580.000	88,8	2.290.995
VII Núcleo Sur	2.470.000	2.380.000	83,5	1.987.543
VIII Ctro E ER	1.290.000	1.300.000	87,9	1.142.920
IX N LP-OBA	2.130.000	1.910.000	63,3	1.209.700
X Ctro BA	800.000	530.000	40,6	215.366
XI SO BA-S LP	470.000	390.000	18,1	70.700
XII SE BA	1.300.000	1.160.000	49,9	579.025
XIII SL	200.000	190.000	85,3	161.980
XIV Cuenca Sal	130.000	70.000	14,1	9.860
XV Otras	40.000	40.000	54,4	21.750
TOTAL	19.200.000	18.100.000	63,5	11.488.269

CORN

2017/18 Season

As of: Dec. 13, 2017

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted	
	2016/17	2017/18			
I	NOA	340.000	375.000	2,0	7.500
II	NEA	580.000	600.000	3,0	18.000
III	Ctro N Cba	754.000	805.000	23,5	189.175
IV	S Cba	652.000	675.000	31,2	210.600
V	Ctro N SFe	208.000	220.000	40,9	89.870
VI	Núcleo Norte	501.000	530.000	86,2	456.860
VII	Núcleo Sur	383.000	410.000	86,0	352.600
VIII	Ctro EER	162.000	175.000	65,2	114.100
IX	N LP-OBA	535.000	580.000	65,0	377.000
X	Ctro BA	280.000	300.000	64,6	193.800
XI	SO BA-S LP	160.000	165.000	78,0	128.700
XII	SE BA	190.000	195.000	80,0	156.000
XIII	SL	220.000	230.000	31,2	71.760
XIV	Cuenca Sal	105.000	110.000	58,6	64.460
XV	Otras	30.000	30.000	55,0	16.500
TOTAL		5.100.000	5.400.000	45,3	2.446.925

SUNFLOWER

2017/18 Season

As of: Dec. 13, 2017

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted	
	2016/17	2017/18			
I	NOA	-	-	-	
II	NEA	325.000	380.000	100,0	380.000
III	Ctro N Cba	4.000	5.000	100,0	5.000
IV	S Cba	21.000	21.000	100,0	21.000
V	Ctro N SFe	230.000	260.000	100,0	260.000
VI	Núcleo Norte	10.000	12.000	100,0	12.000
VII	Núcleo Sur	8.000	9.000	100,0	9.000
VIII	Ctro E ER	6.000	7.000	100,0	7.000
IX	N LP-OBA	130.000	110.000	100,0	110.000
X	Ctro BA	65.000	55.000	100,0	55.000
XI	SO BA-S LP	410.000	370.000	100,0	370.000
XII	SE BA	360.000	390.000	100,0	390.000
XIII	SL	24.000	24.000	100,0	24.000
XIV	Cuenca Sal	100.000	100.000	100,0	100.000
XV	Otras	7.000	7.000	100,0	7.000
TOTAL		1.700.000	1.750.000	100,0	1.750.000

SORGHUM

2017/18 Season

As of: Dec. 13, 2017

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted
	2016/17	2017/18		
I NOA	23.000	23.000	20,0	4.600
II NEA	200.000	220.000	25,0	55.000
III Ctro N Cba	80.000	80.000	62,0	49.600
IV S Cba	30.000	30.000	71,0	21.300
V Ctro N SFe	138.000	143.000	78,0	111.540
VI Núcleo Norte	30.000	30.000	85,0	25.500
VII Núcleo Sur	17.000	17.000	86,0	14.620
VIII Ctro EER	60.000	65.000	81,0	52.650
IX N LP-OBA	40.000	40.000	45,0	18.000
X Ctro BA	10.000	10.000	46,0	4.600
XI SO BA-S LP	80.000	80.000	35,0	28.000
XII SEBA	7.000	7.000	38,0	2.660
XIII SL	45.000	45.000	52,0	23.400
XIV Cuenca Sal	25.000	25.000	39,0	9.750
XV Otras	15.000	15.000	72,0	10.800
TOTAL	800.000	830.000	52,1	432.020

WHEAT

2017/18 Season

As of: Dec. 13, 2017

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)			Percentage Harvested (%)	Hectares Harvested	Yield (qq/Ha)	Production (Tn)	
	Sow n	Lost	Harvestable					
I	NOA	365.000	18.000	347.000	100,0	347.000	10,2	354.229
II	NEA	355.000	15.000	340.000	100,0	340.000	14,1	479.514
III	Ctro N Cba	730.000	25.000	705.000	94,0	662.700	21,6	1.428.233
IV	S Cba	380.000	10.000	370.000	60,0	222.000	34,2	759.316
V	Ctro N SFe	280.000	14.000	266.000	100,0	266.000	25,6	680.780
VI	Núcleo Norte	750.000	15.000	735.000	80,0	588.000	43,0	2.529.029
VII	Núcleo Sur	475.000	13.000	462.000	65,0	300.300	44,0	1.321.608
VIII	Ctro E ER	250.000	12.000	238.000	90,0	214.200	23,0	491.959
IX	N LP-OBA	385.000	4.000	381.000	20,0	76.200	44,1	336.006
X	Ctro BA	285.000	3.000	282.000	15,0	42.300	38,0	160.854
XI	SO BA-S LP	450.000	4.000	446.000	2,0	8.920	30,0	26.760
XII	SE BA	650.000	-	650.000	-	-	-	-
XIII	SL	8.000	500	7.500	70,0	5.250	22,7	11.940
XIV	Cuenca Sal	72.000	2.000	70.000	18,0	12.600	37,8	47.667
XV	Otras	15.000	500	14.500	100,0	14.500	21,5	31.160
TOTAL		5.450.000	136.000	5.314.000	58,3	3.099.970	27,9	8.659.053