



WEEK ENDED ON MARCH 25, 2010

CROP REPORT - HIGHLIGHTS

Estimations and Agricultural Projections Department
Buenos Aires Grain Exchange

COARSE GRAINS AND OILSEEDS – 2009/10

CORN

- ✚ Producers harvested 33.4% of the area, approximately 823,000 hectares. Yields reach 9.45tn/he. To date, production volume stands at 7.78 M tons.
- ✚ Rains reported last weekend were followed by dry weather which fostered harvest work. Precipitation forecasted for early April might slow future harvest.
- ✚ If weather remains favorable for late and second crops, domestic production would increase by 600,000 tons from current projection of 20,2 M tons.

CORN HARVEST

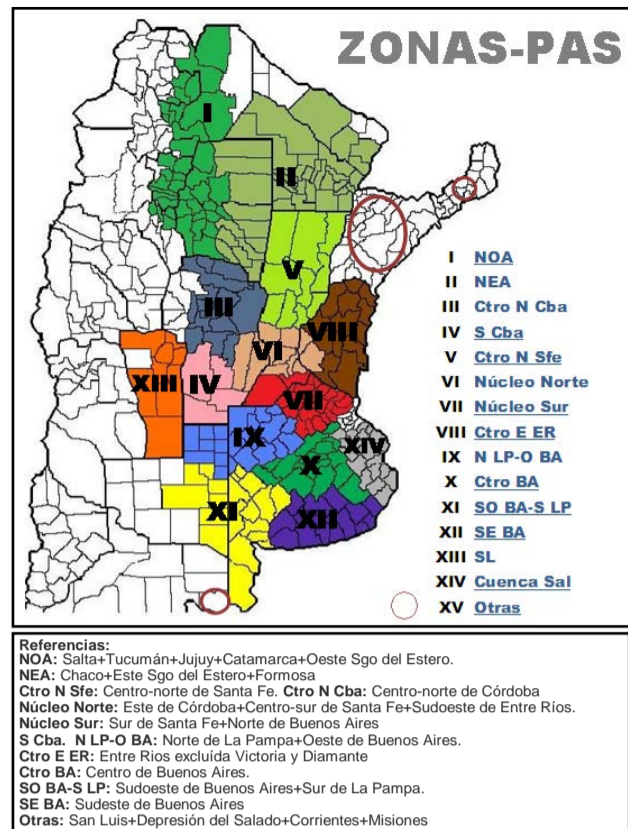
2009/10 SEASON

As of: March 25, 2010

Zone		Hectareage (ha)			Percentage harvested	Hectares harvested	Yield (1) (qq/ha)	Production (Tm)
		Sown	Lost	Harvestable				
I	NOA	90.000	0	90.000	0	0	0,0	-
II	NEA	124.000	0	124.000	7	8.680	32,0	27.776
III	Ctro N Cba	390.000	0	390.000	20	78.000	85,0	663.000
IV	S Cba	370.000	0	370.000	35	129.500	78,0	1.010.100
V	Ctro N SFe	90.000	0	90.000	54	48.600	90,0	437.400
VI	Núcleo Norte	350.000	0	350.000	72	252.000	105,0	2.646.000
VII	Núcleo Sur	300.000	0	300.000	40	120.000	102,0	1.224.000
VIII	Ctro E ER	100.000	0	100.000	90	90.000	90,0	810.000
IX	N LP-OBA	330.000	0	330.000	25	82.500	100,0	825.000
X	Ctro BA	70.000	0	70.000	10	7.000	85,0	59.500
XI	SO BA-S LP	51.000	0	51.000	0	0	0,0	-
XII	SE BA	50.000	0	50.000	0	0	0,0	-
XIII	SL	80.000	0	80.000	8	6.400	107,0	68.480
XIV	Cuenca Sal	40.000	0	40.000	0	0	0,0	-
XV	Others	25.000	0	25.000	0	0	0,0	-
TOTAL		2.460.000	0	2.460.000	33,4	822.680	94,5	7.771.256

SOYBEAN

- ✚ After recent rains, producers resumed harvest work early this week, reflecting progress in different areas of the national agricultural area.
- ✚ 1.6 million hectares were harvested (8,5 % of the area) . National average yield stands at 3.25T/he. To date, production volume amounts to 5, 2 M tons. Highly variable yields were obtained so far. (2.0 to 5.0Tn/he).
- ✚ The national average yield remains high due to the good results obtained in the northern and southern regions of the soy belt, which together account for over 78.5% of the harvested area to date. The projected national production remains at 53.5M tons.



- ✚ Favorable harvest weather forecasted for the next 7 days is likely to have a positive impact on fieldwork.

SOYBEAN HARVEST

2009/10 SEASON

As of: March 25, 2010

Zone		Hectareage (ha)			Percentage harvested	Hectares harvested	Yeld (1) (qq/ha)	Production (Tm)
		Sown	Lost	Harvestable				
I	NOA	1.244.000		1.244.000		0	-	
II	NEA	1.820.000	10.000	1.810.000	1	18.100	30.770	
III	Ctro N Cba	2.480.000	1.000	2.479.000	1	24.790	71.891	
IV	S Cba	1.400.000		1.400.000		0	-	
V	Ctro N SFe	1.110.000	50.000	1.060.000	10	106.000	413.400	
VI	Núcleo Norte	3.622.000	40.000	3.582.000	23	823.860	2.553.966	
VII	Núcleo Sur	2.683.250	5.000	2.678.250	16	428.520	1.499.820	
VIII	Ctro E ER	1.209.000	5.000	1.204.000	12	144.480	447.888	
IX	N LP-OBA	1.450.000	5.000	1.445.000	3	43.350	151.725	
X	Ctro BA	543.500		543.500		0	-	
XI	SO BA-S LP	352.000		352.000		0	-	
XII	SE BA	705.750		705.750		0	-	
XIII	SL	150.500	1.000	149.500	5	7.475	26.163	
XIV	Cuenca Sal	193.000		193.000		0	-	
XV	Others	37.000		37.000		0	-	
TOTAL		19.000.000	117.000	18.883.000	8,5	1.596.575	32,5	5.195.623

SUNFLOWER

- ✚ Although harvest work was already resumed, rains reported last weekend delayed collection in the southwest and southeast of Buenos Aires by 50% and 25% respectively, compared to similar time last season. The countrywide delay is 23%.
- ✚ Producers collected 71.5% of the area averaging 1.7 tons / he. To date, production volume stands at 1.468.500 tons.
- ✚ In northern La Pampa and western Buenos Aires, harvest is coming to an end, with an average yield of 2tn/he. If favorable weather conditions remain present over the coming days, collection activities will expand into southern Buenos Aires. To date, the projected production volume remains at 2,1 M tons.

SUNFLOWER HARVEST

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Zone		Hectareage (ha)			Percentage harvested	Hectares harvested	Yeld (1) (qq/ha)	Production (Tm)
		Sown	Lost	Harvestable				
I	NOA	0	0	0	0	0	-	
II	NEA	62.000	6.820	55.180	100	55.180	38.626	
III	Ctro N Cba	2.000	240	1.760	100	1.760	3.520	
IV	S Cba	15.000	750	14.250	90	12.825	15.390	
V	Ctro N SFe	140.000	28.000	112.000	100	112.000	123.200	
VI	Núcleo Norte	4.000	400	3.600	100	3.600	7.560	
VII	Núcleo Sur	4.000	600	3.400	100	3.400	7.480	
VIII	Ctro E ER	20.000	2.200	17.800	99	17.622	19.384	
IX	N LP-OBA	160.000	3.200	156.800	95	148.960	297.920	
X	Ctro BA	36.000	540	35.460	99	35.105	87.764	
XI	SO BA-S LP	280.000	14.000	266.000	45	119.700	107.730	
XII	SE BA	460.000	4.600	455.400	60	273.240	587.466	
XIII	SL	10.000	2.000	8.000	65	5.200	7.280	
XIV	Cuenca Sal	68.000	1.360	66.640	98	65.307	163.268	
XV	Others	4.000	800	3.200	100	3.200	1.920	
TOTAL		1.265.000	65.510	1.199.490	71,5	857.100	17,1	1.468.508