



WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL REPORT



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- ◆ V - Centro-Norte de Santa Fe
- ◆ VI - Núcleo Norte
- ◆ VII - Núcleo Sur
- ◆ VIII - Centro-Este de Entre Ríos
- ◆ IX - Norte de La Pampa - Oeste de Buenos Aires
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## AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK DECEMBER 13 TO 19, 2018

### PRECIPITATIONS OVER THE NORTH AND CENTER OF THE AGRICULTURAL AREA COUPLED WITH LOW TEMPERATURES, AND A FINAL SHARP TEMPERATURE RISE.

At the beginning of the perspective, the entry of a storm front will bring heavy rainfalls to the NOA region, the center and south of the Mesopotamia region, the north of the Pampas region, and most part of Uruguay. The north and the west of the Argentine agricultural area and most part of Paraguay will receive scarce values. Coupled with the front, the entry of winds from the southwest will sharply drop temperatures over the south and center of the Ag. region. The North will remain influenced by tropical winds. Later on, winds will rotate towards the North, raising temperatures and bringing abundant atmospheric humidity and an intense heat wave.

## SOYBEAN

Soybean planting continues expanding at a good pace. Weekly progress is estimated at 14.8 percentage points. Since our last report, more than 2.6 M hectares have already been planted, reaching a new record. To date, soybeans are 68.8 % planted out of the 17.9 M hectares projected for the current season. Most part of the center of the national agricultural area will soon complete the planting of first crops. The planting of second crop soybeans progresses fluently into regions with adequate soil moisture.

## CORN

Over the last seven days, planting has progressed at a good pace into the national agricultural area. Fieldwork concentrated in the provinces of Buenos Aires, Santa Fe and Entre Ríos with the incorporation of late planted corn and second crop corn on winter crop stubble. To date, corn is 46.7 % planted. Weekly progress is estimated at 5.4 percentage points. Under this scenario, we maintain our final area projection at 5.8 M Ha.

## SUNFLOWER

After planting the last late planted plots in the south of Buenos Aires and La Pampa, sowing is complete for the current season with a final area of 1.9 M hectares. At the same time, harvest has begun in the center of Chaco, reaching 1.6% of the area. Plots are currently at stages ranging from emergence to grain filling under adequate moisture levels. The latest frosts in the province of Buenos Aires have led to a delay in the development of crops. Northern La Pampa does not rule out area losses as a consequence of the hail storms.

## SORGHUM

Over the last fifteen days, planting has expanded into most part of the national agricultural area. The ideal planting window for late crops has begun with good moisture reserves. Most of the progress took place in the provinces of Córdoba, Buenos Aires and Entre Ríos with the incorporation of late and second crops. Besides, the most developed plots, which are currently at reproductive stages, are located in the province of Santa Fe. To date, grain sorghum is 50.7% planted out of the 730,000 Ha projected for the current season, down 12% YoY (Area 2017/18: 830,000 Ha.).

## WHEAT

Wheat harvest continues expanding into the center and south of the agricultural area with very heterogeneous yields and losses in the production potential. The latest frost occurred in the province of Buenos Aires, coupled with the storms and hail in northern La Pampa and southern Córdoba, could reduce the productivity of the most affected plots, which are currently at the end of grain-filling and the beginning of maturity. As harvest expands into the north belt, which accounts for 14 % of the area planted with the cereal, yields remain below initial expectations. Under this scenario, we adjust our final production projection to 19 M tons, up 7% YoY. To date, wheat is 57.4 % harvested with an average yield of 2.71 Tn/Ha and a current production volume of 9.5 M tons.



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# ANNEX

# SOYBEAN

2018/19 Season

As of: Dec. 12, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted
	2017/18	2018/19		
I NOA	993.167	925.250	17,3	160.069
II NEA	1.307.833	1.194.017	11,7	139.743
III Ctro N Cba	2.192.833	2.037.850	79,0	1.610.034
IV S Cba	1.602.833	1.637.917	80,1	1.311.478
V Ctro N SFe	1.327.500	1.329.833	73,5	978.065
VI Núcleo Norte	2.537.000	2.594.450	89,2	2.314.417
VII Núcleo Sur	2.340.333	2.439.936	86,0	2.099.127
VIII Ctro E ER	1.278.333	1.300.700	83,9	1.091.330
IX N LP-OBA	1.878.167	1.970.840	75,6	1.489.315
X Ctro BA	521.167	598.942	56,0	335.635
XI SO BA-S LP	304.833	436.317	28,8	125.845
XII SE BA	1.121.000	1.092.592	40,8	445.756
XIII SL	186.833	179.967	91,6	164.868
XIV Cuenca Sal	68.833	120.807	30,5	36.894
XV Otras	39.333	40.583	45,6	18.525
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17.700.000</b>	<b>17.900.000</b>	<b>68,8</b>	<b>12.321.099</b>

# CORN

2018/19 Season

As of: Dec. 12, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted	
	2017/18	2018/19			
I	NOA	382.000	405.000	2,0	8.100
II	NEA	612.000	644.000	2,0	12.880
III	Ctro N Cba	820.000	855.000	27,8	237.263
IV	S Cba	688.000	720.000	40,0	288.000
V	Ctro N SFe	224.000	242.000	35,0	84.700
VI	Núcleo Norte	539.000	580.000	89,1	516.664
VII	Núcleo Sur	417.000	445.000	88,6	394.270
VIII	Ctro E ER	178.000	190.000	61,2	116.280
IX	N LP-OBA	590.000	620.000	62,5	387.500
X	Ctro BA	305.000	318.000	67,0	213.060
XI	SO BA-S LP	168.000	176.000	67,5	118.800
XII	SE BA	200.000	210.000	68,0	142.800
XIII	SL	234.000	246.000	36,0	88.560
XIV	Cuenca Sal	112.000	117.000	58,8	68.738
XV	Otras	31.000	32.000	100,0	32.000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5.500.000</b>	<b>5.800.000</b>	<b>46,7</b>	<b>2.709.614</b>



# SUNFLOWER

2018/19 Season

As of: Dec. 12, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted	
	2017/18	2018/19			
I	NOA	-	-	-	
II	NEA	380.000	440.000	100,0	
III	Ctro N Cba	5.000	6.000	100,0	
IV	S Cba	21.000	22.000	100,0	
V	Ctro N SFe	260.000	280.000	100,0	
VI	Núcleo Norte	12.000	12.000	100,0	
VII	Núcleo Sur	9.000	9.000	100,0	
VIII	Ctro E ER	7.000	8.000	100,0	
IX	N LP-OBA	110.000	140.000	100,0	
X	Ctro BA	55.000	70.000	100,0	
XI	SO BA-S LP	370.000	380.000	100,0	
XII	SE BA	390.000	400.000	100,0	
XIII	SL	24.000	25.000	100,0	
XIV	Cuenca Sal	100.000	100.000	100,0	
XV	Otras	7.000	8.000	100,0	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1.750.000</b>	<b>1.900.000</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>1.900.000</b>

# SORGHUM

2018/19 Season

As of: Dec. 12, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted
	2017/18	2018/19		
I NOA	23.000	21.000	18,0	3.780
II NEA	220.000	190.000	28,0	53.200
III Ctro N Cba	80.000	70.000	60,0	42.000
IV S Cba	30.000	25.000	72,0	18.000
V Ctro N SFe	143.000	130.000	73,0	94.900
VI Núcleo Norte	30.000	25.000	82,0	20.500
VII Núcleo Sur	17.000	14.000	83,0	11.620
VIII Ctro EER	65.000	60.000	79,0	47.400
IX N LP-OBA	40.000	35.000	41,0	14.350
X Ctro BA	10.000	8.500	46,0	3.910
XI SO BA-S LP	80.000	70.000	30,0	21.000
XII SE BA	7.000	6.500	33,0	2.145
XIII SL	45.000	40.000	55,0	22.000
XIV Cuenca Sal	25.000	22.000	35,0	7.700
XV Otras	15.000	13.000	60,0	7.800
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>830.000</b>	<b>730.000</b>	<b>50,7</b>	<b>370.305</b>

# WHEAT

2018/19 Season

As of: Dec. 12, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)			Percentage Harvested (%)	Hectares Harvested	Yield (qq/Ha)	Production (Tn)	
	Sown	Lost	Harvestable					
I	NOA	390.000	10.000	380.000	100,0	380.000	9,7	368.503
II	NEA	465.000	9.000	456.000	100,0	456.000	20,8	948.503
III	Ctro N Cba	630.000	10.000	620.000	85,0	527.000	19,0	1.001.556
IV	S Cba	425.000	4.000	421.000	56,0	235.760	27,2	640.594
V	Ctro N SFe	485.000	10.000	475.000	100,0	475.000	29,5	1.402.900
VI	Núcleo Norte	860.000	10.000	850.000	75,0	637.500	30,1	1.917.636
VII	Núcleo Sur	590.000	5.000	585.000	60,0	351.000	43,9	1.540.464
VIII	Ctro E ER	280.000	4.000	276.000	86,0	237.360	38,5	913.595
IX	N LP-OBA	495.000	2.000	493.000	28,0	138.040	39,3	542.308
X	Ctro BA	340.000	1.000	339.000	7,0	23.730	40,0	94.920
XI	SO BA-S LP	530.000	1.000	529.000	3,0	15.870	30,0	47.610
XII	SE BA	580.000	-	580.000	-	-	-	-
XIII	SL	10.000	400	9.600	65,0	6.240	23,9	14.909
XIV	Cuenca Sal	100.000	1.000	99.000	15,0	14.850	39,0	57.915
XV	Otras	20.000	600	19.400	100,0	19.400	21,5	41.710
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6.200.000</b>	<b>68.000</b>	<b>6.132.000</b>	<b>57,4</b>	<b>3.517.750</b>	<b>27,1</b>	<b>9.533.122</b>