



WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL REPORT



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ESTIMATES



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- ◆ II - NEA (Noreste Argentino)
- ◆ III - Centro-Norte de Córdoba
- ◆ IV - Sur de Córdoba
- ◆ 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 MARCH 1 TO 7, 2018

**HEAT FOLLOWED BY PRECIPITATIONS OVER THE WEST AND THE NORTH OF THE AGRICULTURAL AREA WITH SCARCE VALUES OVER THE REST AND A FINAL TEMPERATURE DROP.**

At the beginning of the perspective, northerly winds will reactivate the heat over most part of the agricultural area. Later, the passage of a Pampero front will bring intense precipitations to most part of the NOA and Chaco regions and most part of Paraguay. The rest of the area will observe scarce values. Coupled with the front, the entry of southerly winds will sharply drop temperatures over the south of the area, while the North will remain affected by tropical winds.

## SOYBEAN

Soybeans condition worsens after another week with no rainfalls over the center and south of the agricultural area. Over the last seven days, more than 1 M hectares have entered a critical stage. To date, 58% of the area is at a critical stage for yield definition under adverse conditions and without chances of recovery for the most developed plots. Short-term weather forecasts do not project rainfalls. Under this scenario, our final production estimate is reduced to 44 M tons. Besides, insufficient moisture in the NOA region has begun to raise concern.

## CORN

Over the last week, corn harvest has progressed into the center and south of the agricultural area. To date, only 3.2% of the area has been collected. The national average yield is estimated at 6.42 Tn/Ha. Fieldwork mainly expanded into the provinces of Buenos Aires, Córdoba, Santa Fe and Entre Rios with yields below the average of the last seasons. Unless precipitations are reported in the coming days, the potential average yield is likely to be reduced, thus affecting production at a national level. Under this scenario, we maintain our final production estimate at 37 M tons, down 2 M tons YoY.

## SUNFLOWER

To date, sunflower is 39.1% harvested with an average yield of 2.12 T/H. YoY progress stands at 4.9 percentage points. Central Buenos Aires has begun the collection of its early-planted crops with yields within the regional average. Our final production estimate is maintained at 3.6M tons, up 9% YoY.



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# ANNEX

## SOYBEAN

2017/18 Season

As of: Feb. 28, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted	
	2016/17	2017/18			
I	NOA	950.000	1.010.000	100,0	1.010.000
II	NEA	1.400.000	1.330.000	100,0	1.330.000
III	Ctro N Cba	2.200.000	2.230.000	100,0	2.230.000
IV	S Cba	1.640.000	1.630.000	100,0	1.630.000
V	Ctro N SFe	1.340.000	1.350.000	100,0	1.350.000
VI	Núcleo Norte	2.840.000	2.580.000	100,0	2.580.000
VII	Núcleo Sur	2.470.000	2.380.000	100,0	2.380.000
VIII	Ctro E ER	1.290.000	1.300.000	100,0	1.300.000
IX	NLP-OBA	2.130.000	1.910.000	100,0	1.910.000
X	Ctro BA	800.000	530.000	100,0	530.000
XI	SO BA-S LP	470.000	310.000	100,0	310.000
XII	SE BA	1.300.000	1.140.000	100,0	1.140.000
XIII	SL	200.000	190.000	100,0	190.000
XIV	Cuenca Sal	130.000	70.000	100,0	70.000
XV	Otras	40.000	40.000	100,0	40.000
TOTAL		19.200.000	18.000.000	100,0	18.000.000

## CORN

2017/18 Season

As of: Feb. 28, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)		Percentage Planted (%)	Hectares Planted	
	2016/17	2017/18			
I	NOA	340.000	375.000	100,0	375.000
II	NEA	580.000	600.000	100,0	600.000
III	Ctro N Cba	754.000	805.000	100,0	805.000
IV	S Cba	652.000	675.000	100,0	675.000
V	Ctro N SFe	208.000	220.000	100,0	220.000
VI	Núcleo Norte	501.000	530.000	100,0	530.000
VII	Núcleo Sur	383.000	410.000	100,0	410.000
VIII	Ctro EER	162.000	175.000	100,0	175.000
IX	N LP-OBA	535.000	580.000	100,0	580.000
X	Ctro BA	280.000	300.000	100,0	300.000
XI	SO BA-S LP	160.000	165.000	100,0	165.000
XII	SE BA	190.000	195.000	100,0	195.000
XIII	SL	220.000	230.000	100,0	230.000
XIV	Cuenca Sal	105.000	110.000	100,0	110.000
XV	Otras	30.000	30.000	100,0	30.000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5.100.000</b>	<b>5.400.000</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>5.400.000</b>

## SUNFLOWER

2017/18 Season

As of: Feb. 28, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)			Percentage Harvested (%)	Hectares Harvested	Yield (qq/Ha)	Production (Tn)	
	Sown	Lost	Harvestable					
I	NOA	-	-	-	-	-	-	
II	NEA	380.000	15.000	365.000	100,0	365.000	19,8	724.373
III	Ctro N Cba	5.000	500	4.500	100,0	4.500	18,0	8.080
IV	S Cba	21.000	1.500	19.500	68,0	13.260	21,6	28.608
V	Ctro N SFe	260.000	8.800	251.200	100,0	251.200	23,2	583.059
VI	Núcleo Norte	12.000	800	11.200	80,0	8.960	23,2	20.823
VII	Núcleo Sur	9.000	500	8.500	75,0	6.375	24,1	15.332
VIII	Ctro E ER	7.000	400	6.600	62,0	4.092	18,0	7.364
IX	N LP-OBA	110.000	1.500	108.500	10,0	10.850	24,0	26.030
X	Ctro BA	55.000	500	54.500	5,0	2.725	20,0	5.450
XI	SO BA-S LP	370.000	-	370.000	-	-	-	-
XII	SE BA	390.000	-	390.000	-	-	-	-
XIII	SL	24.000	1.000	23.000	2,0	460	19,0	874
XIV	Cuenca Sal	100.000	-	100.000	-	-	-	-
XV	Otras	7.000	500	6.500	75,0	4.875	17,3	8.447
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1.750.000</b>	<b>31.000</b>	<b>1.719.000</b>	<b>39,1</b>	<b>672.297</b>	<b>21,2</b>	<b>1.428.440</b>