



# Weekly Ag Report

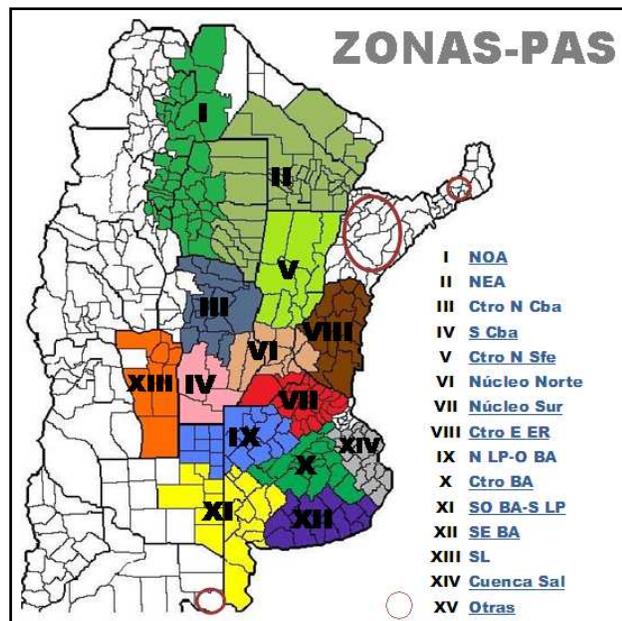
BUENOS AIRES GRAIN EXCHANGE

**WEEK ENDED ON April 29, 2010**

## CROP REPORT - HIGHLIGHTS

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## COARSE GRAINS AND OILSEEDS – 2009/10



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.  
Núcleo Sur: Sur de Santa Fe+Norte de Buenos Aires  
S Cba. N LP-O BA: Norte de La Pampa+Oeste de Buenos Aires.  
Ctro E ER: Entre Ríos excluida 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  
Otras: San Luis+Depresión del Salado+Corrientes+Misiones

## CORN

- ✚ Harvest progresses at a low pace. This slowdown may be attributed to the fact that machinery is solely used for the soybean collection and also to the higher proportion of late crops compared to previous campaigns

63.6% of the area has been harvested. The projected national production remains at 21.4 M tons.

## COSECHA DE MAIZ

Campaña 2009/10

Datos al: 29/04/2010

	Zonas	Superficie (ha)			Porcentual cosechado	Hectáreas cosechadas	Rinde (1) (qq/ha)	Producción (Tm)
		Sembrada	Perdida	Cosechable				
I	NOA	90.000	1.000	89.000	0	0	0,0	-
II	NEA	124.000	5.000	119.000	8	9.520	32,0	30.464
III	Ctro N Cba	390.000	2.000	388.000	50	194.000	77,0	1.493.800
IV	S Cba	370.000	3.500	366.500	80	293.200	73,0	2.140.360
V	Ctro N SFe	100.000	1.500	98.500	70	68.950	85,0	586.075
VI	Núcleo Norte	350.000	700	349.300	97	338.821	113,0	3.828.677
VII	Núcleo Sur	300.000	500	299.500	88	263.560	103,0	2.714.668
VIII	Ctro E ER	100.000	5.000	95.000	99	94.050	85,0	799.425
IX	N LP-OBA	390.000	1.200	388.800	55	213.840	85,0	1.817.640
X	Ctro BA	70.000	0	70.000	55	38.500	84,0	323.400
XI	SO BA-S LP	71.000	2.600	68.400	20	13.680	50,0	68.400
XII	SE BA	50.000	0	50.000	18	9.000	85,0	76.500
XIII	SL	80.000	2.000	78.000	40	31.200	50,0	156.000
XIV	Cuenca Sal	40.000	0	40.000	60	24.000	95,0	228.000
XV	Otras	25.000	0	25.000	58	14.500	48,0	69.600
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2.550.000</b>	<b>25.000</b>	<b>2.525.000</b>	<b>63,6</b>	<b>1.606.821</b>	<b>89,2</b>	<b>14.333.009</b>

## SOYBEAN

- ✚ Harvest reached 63.5% of the area. The national average yield remains high (3.22 tons / ha) thanks to good results in the soy belt and its immediate periphery, where the threshing shows greater evolution to date.
- ✚ Frost reported in the last seven days is not likely to affect the good performance projected for the southern sector of the agricultural area due to the advanced phenological stage of the plots. The beginning of harvest in the aforementioned region coupled with the extension of threshing into the northwest and northeast of Argentina resulted in high productivity levels which might naturally decrease as fieldwork progresses, not because of weather conditions but because of the lower potential of the late crops. However, excellent results are projected for the Northern provinces during the current campaign.

- Under this scenario, the final production volume now stands at 54.8 M tons. Up 300,000 tons from previous reports. Yields continue to reflect a significant variability in the results. Nevertheless, regional averages remain firm in the most influential areas supporting the increase in the final volume.

## COSECHA DE SOJA

Campana 2009/10

Datos al: 29/04/2010

Zonas		Superficie (ha)			Porcentual cosechado	Hectáreas cosechadas	Rinde (1) (qq/ha)	Producción (Tm)
		Sembrada	Perdida	Cosechable				
I	NOA	1.244.000	12.000	1.232.000	13	160.160	28,0	448.448
II	NEA	1.820.000	18.000	1.802.000	10	180.200	30,0	540.600
III	Ctro N Cba	2.480.000	23.000	2.457.000	70	1.719.900	28,0	4.815.720
IV	S Cba	1.400.000	21.000	1.379.000	85	1.172.150	24,5	2.871.768
V	Ctro N SFe	1.110.000	18.000	1.092.000	58	633.360	32,5	2.058.420
VI	Núcleo Norte	3.622.000	18.000	3.604.000	98	3.531.920	36,0	12.714.912
VII	Núcleo Sur	2.683.250	20.000	2.663.250	85	2.263.763	37,0	8.375.921
VIII	Ctro E ER	1.209.000	15.000	1.194.000	52	620.880	31,0	1.924.728
IX	N LP-OBA	1.450.000	17.000	1.433.000	69	988.770	28,5	2.817.995
X	Ctro BA	543.500	6.000	537.500	38	204.250	29,5	602.538
XI	SO BA-S LP	352.000	12.000	340.000	30	102.000	15,5	158.100
XII	SE BA	705.750	10.000	695.750	25	173.938	31,0	539.206
XIII	SL	150.500	4.000	146.500	68	99.620	21,5	214.183
XIV	Cuenca Sal.	193.000	5.000	188.000	40	75.200	36,0	270.720
XV	Otras	37.000	1.000	36.000	30	10.800	26,0	28.080
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>19.000.000</b>	<b>200.000</b>	<b>18.800.000</b>	<b>63,5</b>	<b>11.936.910</b>	<b>32,2</b>	<b>38.381.338</b>

## WHEAT

- If rains are favorable during the sowing stage, there might be a 26% increase in the planted area compared to the previous season. Producers plan to cultivate 4.2 million hectares while only 3.33 million hectares were planted in the 2009/10 campaign.
- The moisture profiles are better than the previous year, although more rain would be needed over the western agricultural region to increase the upper soil profile. The most deprived areas are located in Cordoba, La Pampa and southwest and south of Buenos Aires, where there might be an increase in the planted areas compared to the previous season.
- Farmers financially affected by the last season's severe drought, might decide to carry out the current wheat campaign, although sacrificing technological level.