



WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL REPORT



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- ◆ V - Centro-Norte de Santa Fe
- ◆ VI - Núcleo Norte
- ◆ VII - Núcleo Sur
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## AGRICULTURAL WEATHER OUTLOOK MARCH 29 TO APRIL 4, 2018

### TEMPERATURE RISE AND PRECIPITATIONS OVER THE WEST AND CENTER OF THE AGRICULTURAL AREA, FOLLOWED BY A SHARP TEMPERATURE DROP.

At the beginning of the perspective, winds will rotate to the North, moderately raising temperatures and bringing atmospheric humidity. At the same time, the entry of a Pampero front will bring rainfalls of varying intensity to the west and center of the Ag. region. Coupled with the front, the entry of southerly winds will lead to a sharp temperature drop over most part of the agricultural area.

## SOYBEAN

Unfavorable weather condition during most part of the crop cycle has accelerated the development of crops. The YoY progress is up 6.8 percentage points. At a national level, harvest has expanded into 8.8 % of the arable area due to the significant fieldwork progress in the north belt, which to date reports a progress of 30.8 % (vs 10.5 % same date last season). Harvest progress was also observed in the south belt, the south of Córdoba, north-central Santa Fe, east-central Entre Rios, north of La Pampa and west of Buenos Aires.

No rainfalls have been reported since our last report. For this reason, the north of the country may observe further drops in its potential yields. To date, our final production estimate stands at 39.5 M tons (1,543.2 M bushels). Unless rainfalls occur over the north of the country, we do not rule out further reductions in production.

## CORN

Over the last week, the collection of early-planted corn expanded into the center and south of the agricultural area. To date, corn is 18 % harvested out of the 5.4 M planted hectares. In absolute numbers, fieldwork covered almost 1 M H. Yields remain below our initial expectations. Late and second-crop corn are at grain-filling stage in the provinces of Córdoba, Buenos Aires and Santa Fe. Water reserves are limited, thus affecting their yield potential. Under this scenario, we maintain our final production estimate at 32 M tons (1.338,5 M bushels), down 7 M tons YoY. (Season 2016/17: 39 MTn).

## SUNFLOWER

Over the last week, harvest progressed into the main sunflower-producing areas of Buenos Aires and La Pampa. YoY progress, however, is down 4 percentage points due to delays in the west and south of Buenos Aires. Besides, yields in the southwest of Buenos Aires and south of La Pampa remain below our initial expectations. Under this scenario, we adjust our final production estimate to 3.5 M tons (257.2 M bushels). To date harvest is 76.4 % complete with an average yield of 2.11 Tn/Ha.



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# ANNEX

## SOYBEAN

2017/18 Season

As of: Mar. 27, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)			Percentage Harvested (%)	Hectares Harvested	Yield (qq/Ha)	Production (Tn)
	Sown	Lost	Harvestable				
I	NOA	1.010.000	-	1.010.000	-	-	-
II	NEA	1.330.000	-	1.330.000	-	-	-
III	Ctro N Cba	2.230.000	97.240	2.132.760	7,2	154.056	278.842
IV	S Cba	1.630.000	64.880	1.565.120	8,1	127.017	176.554
V	Ctro N SFe	1.350.000	42.200	1.307.800	5,0	65.142	72.308
VI	Núcleo Norte	2.580.000	158.610	2.421.390	30,8	744.876	2.167.589
VII	Núcleo Sur	2.380.000	35.432	2.344.568	11,3	265.377	761.633
VIII	Ctro E ER	1.300.000	110.200	1.189.800	5,1	61.218	63.667
IX	N LP-OBA	1.910.000	99.736	1.810.264	4,9	88.245	272.676
X	Ctro BA	530.000	126.395	403.605	2,2	8.692	19.557
XI	SO BA-S LP	310.000	-	310.000	-	-	-
XII	SEBA	1.140.000	-	1.140.000	-	-	-
XIII	SL	190.000	-	190.000	-	-	-
XIV	Cuenca Sal	70.000	-	70.000	-	-	-
XV	Otras	40.000	-	40.000	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18.000.000</b>	<b>734.693</b>	<b>17.265.307</b>	<b>8,8</b>	<b>1.514.623</b>	<b>3.812.825</b>

## CORN

2017/18 Season

As of: Mar. 27, 2018

Zone	Hectareage (Ha)			Percentage Harvested (%)	Hectares Harvested	Yield (qq/Ha)	Production (Tn)	
	Sown	Lost	Harvestable					
I	NOA	375.000	-	375.000	-	-	#DIV/0!	-
II	NEA	600.000	-	600.000	-	-	#DIV/0!	-
III	Ctro N Cba	805.000	3.200	801.800	8,4	67.351	69,3	466.525
IV	S Cba	675.000	3.250	671.750	12,0	80.610	73,5	592.307
V	Ctro N SFe	220.000	2.500	217.500	29,4	63.945	56,1	358.866
VI	Núcleo Norte	530.000	3.850	526.150	71,4	375.671	83,5	3.135.157
VII	Núcleo Sur	410.000	4.500	405.500	40,0	161.997	79,4	1.287.014
VIII	Ctro EER	175.000	3.000	172.000	61,8	106.210	52,7	559.886
IX	N LP-OBA	580.000	4.200	575.800	8,8	50.670	80,6	408.567
X	Ctro BA	300.000	2.300	297.700	8,0	23.816	58,1	138.438
XI	SO BA-S LP	165.000	1.200	163.800	1,3	2.129	50,0	10.647
XII	SEBA	195.000	1.250	193.750	2,4	4.650	50,0	23.250
XIII	SL	230.000	1.800	228.200	5,0	11.410	59,8	68.246
XIV	Cuenca Sal	110.000	900	109.100	9,6	10.474	65,6	68.749
XV	Otras	30.000	850	29.150	32,0	9.328	58,5	54.534
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5.400.000</b>	<b>32.800</b>	<b>5.367.200</b>	<b>18,0</b>	<b>968.262</b>	<b>74,1</b>	<b>7.172.186</b>

## SUNFLOWER

2017/18 Season

As of: Mar. 27, 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	100,0	19.500	22,7	44.325
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	100,0	11.200	23,4	26.171
VII	Núcleo Sur	9.000	500	8.500	100,0	8.500	24,1	20.463
VIII	Ctro E ER	7.000	400	6.600	100,0	6.600	20,1	13.274
IX	N LP-OBA	110.000	4.000	106.000	87,0	92.220	25,6	236.488
X	Ctro BA	55.000	2.000	53.000	82,0	43.460	22,8	98.890
XI	SO BA-S LP	370.000	7.000	363.000	56,0	203.280	14,6	296.133
XII	SE BA	390.000	6.000	384.000	52,0	199.680	24,2	482.296
XIII	SL	24.000	1.000	23.000	80,0	18.400	18,8	34.521
XIV	Cuenca Sal	100.000	3.000	97.000	70,0	67.900	23,6	159.961
XV	Otras	7.000	500	6.500	100,0	6.500	17,2	11.161
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1.750.000</b>	<b>51.000</b>	<b>1.699.000</b>	<b>76,4</b>	<b>1.297.940</b>	<b>21,1</b>	<b>2.739.192</b>