

EMBARKS OF ORANGE JUICE GROW 23%

Brazilian exports of orange juice reached 745,238 tons in the first eight months of the 2017/18 harvest, a 23% increase in the volume shipped in comparison with the same period of the previous crop, according to a survey by the National Association of Citrus Juice Exporters (CitrusBR) based on data from the Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade and Services (MDIC). The period corresponds to the interval between July 2017 and February of this year. In terms of revenue, revenue grew 24.2% to US \$ 1.355 billion.

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CORN GROWS 12% IN MATO GROSSO DO SUL

Between March 02nd and 09th, the price of corn in Mato Grosso do Sul increased by 12.84%. In that interval the bag went from R\$ 27.25 to R \$ 30.75, according to data from the Federation of Agriculture and Livestock of the State (Famasul). "Internal and external factors boosted the corn market. In particular, the prospect of increased demand by the animal protein industry", the entity's technical analyst, Luiz Gama, said in a statement. According to Gama, in the international market, continues to influence the growth of exports of the agricultural sector, as well as the reduction of supply of corn, mainly from Argentina. "USDA - US Department of Agriculture estimates a decline of 7.6% in production in the neighboring country and a 9% decrease in exports." In the first week of March, the value of soyabean was decreased only 0.09%, closing the period quoted at an average of R \$ 66.81. Compared to the same period of last year, when the bag was sold at R \$ 58.56, the increase was 14.15%.

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SOYABEANS: MARANHÃO CROP IS EXPECTED TO GROW 15%

The soyabean crop for the 2017/18 crop in Balsas (Maranhão) is expected to grow 15% in comparison with the previous crop. This week happens the official opening of the harvest of the current season. "Ferries have great potential in the area of grain production. The city is prepared to receive industries and agroindustries. With the accomplishment of this event, we will show the full potential of the city and region ", says the secretary of Industry, Commerce and Energy, Simplício Araújo. Alongside Bahia, Piauí and Tocantins, Maranhão integrates the new grain boundary called Matopiba, and already has a variety of soyabeans developed for the characteristics of the state, which also contributes to good results.

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COMMERCIALIZATION OF SOYABEANS IN GOIÁS REACHES 60% OF THE HARVEST

In the midst of the rains of the last few weeks, fieldwork continues throughout the state of Goiás. Soyabean harvesting has been completed in about 65% of the nearly 3.4 million hectares planted, but is behind schedule compared to 2017, when 80% of the crops had already been harvested during the same period. The data comes from the Institute for the Strengthening of Goian Agriculture (IFAG). Due to the 3.3% growth in planted area, the Association of Soyabean and Corn Producers of Goiás (Aprosoja-GO) believes that the oil production in the state of Goiás must surpass the mark of 11 million tons this year. The National Supply Company

(Conab) estimates the Brazilian soyabean harvest at 113 million tons. Even delivering this great offer, the international market is warm. As in other states, commercialization has advanced rapidly in recent weeks in Goiás. At this moment, Aprosoja-GO estimates that 60% of production expected for this harvest has already been sold.

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BRAZIL'S SOYA EXPORTS SOAR IN EARLY MARCH, SECEX SAYS

Brazil's soyabean export totaled 489.5K tons per day in the first seven working days of this month, more than triple the daily average in February and a 25% increase compared to March last year, showing that the harvest of a record harvest begins to arrive with more force to the ports. Shipments in the first two weeks of March totaled 3.4 million tons, compared to a total of 2.86 million tons in February and 8.98 million tons in March 2017, according to data from the Foreign Trade Secretariat (Secex) of the Brazilian government. So far, Brazilian farmers have harvested about half of the total soyabean area of the world's largest oilseed exporter, according to experts. Larger shipments were recorded after the trade jumped in the last month, with prices rising due to drought losses in Argentina. Soyabeans from the 2017/18 crop of Mato Grosso, the largest national producer, rose to 61.62% of the projected 31.79 million tons, the Mato Grosso Institute of Agricultural and Livestock Economics (Imea) reported. Brazil's soyabean meal exports in March totaled 605K tons, or more than half of total exports in the same month last year, according to Secex data. Some more optimistic consultancies are estimating the Brazilian crop in more than 117 million tons, compared to 114 million last season.

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PORT OF RIO CAN ACQUIRE A WHEAT TERMINAL

After paying R \$ 1.55 billion for Piraquê, Ceará state, M. Dias Branco, the country's largest pasta and biscuit maker, is preparing for a new investment in Rio. In partnership with multinational Bunge, it plans to build a wheat terminal in the Port Zone. According to Secretary Christino Aureo da Silva, the investment is R \$ 130 million.

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CANE HARVEST TO PRODUCE MORE ALCOHOL, SAYS RCMA

The 2018/19 sugarcane harvest in the country will produce more alcohol, due to the global price pressure for sugar. This is what the director of the RCMA Group in Brazil in Ribeirão Preto (SP) estimated during the opening ceremony of Sugar, Sugar and Ethanol 2018/19. According to the executive, the destination of cane harvested in the Center-South region in the new season will be 59% for ethanol. According to him, the price of ethanol will continue to be advantageous over that of sugar in the next crop.

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SOIL HARVEST IN PARANÁ REACHES 62% OF THE AREA

Harvest of the soyabean crop 2017/2018 reached 62% of the area planted in Paraná, according to the Department of Rural Economy (Deral) of the State Department of Agriculture. Compared to last week, the work advanced by 16%, but



presents a delay compared to the same period last year, when it was 69%. The summer corn harvest was completed in 24% of the planted area, according to the Deral, advancing by 7% in the weekly variation. According to the department, 74% of summer corn crops are in the maturation phase. Deral also reported that planting second crop corn (safrinha) reached 86% of the area predicted, advancing 16% in the week. According to the Deral, 100% of the crops of safrinha are in good conditions.

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BRAZIL INCREASES SALES OF ORANGE JUICE TO ITS MAIN MARKETS

The increase in Brazilian exports of orange juice by 42% to the United States and by 18.6% to the European Union, the two main markets for the product, led to a 23% increase in the volume of the beverage shipped in the first eight months of the 2016 / 2017. Between July last year and February this year the total exported reached 745,238 tons, compared to 605,498 tons in the same period of the 2016/2017 harvest. Revenue from total juice exports jumped 24.2% over the same period - from \$ 1.091 billion to \$ 1.355 billion. The main reason for the growth of foreign sales is the increase of the supply of orange in the national market, of 62% between the harvests.

The survey, released by the National Association of Citrus Juice Exporters (CitrusBR) from data from the Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade and Services (MDIC), considers the sum of the volumes of concentrated and frozen orange juice (FCOJ) and juice fresh, non-concentrated and frozen (NFC). The NFC volume, which is six times greater, is converted into the FCOJ equivalent and added to that of the concentrate in the total reported. The volume sold in the first eight months of the 2017/2018 harvest for the European Union, destined for 70% of Brazilian orange juice, reached 450,967 tons compared to 380,199 tons of FCOJ equivalent in the previous period. If the volume exported was 18.6%, revenue between the periods varied 18.8%, from US \$ 686.6 million to US \$ 815.4 million. To the US market, which is increasingly less orange juice producer, 190,383 tons of FCOJ equivalent were sent between July and February, in the 2017/2018 harvest, against 133,856 in the corresponding period of the 2016/2017 harvest. The 42.2% most exported to the United States in the first eight months of the current harvest generated revenues of US \$ 337.32 million, up 38.16% over the same period of the previous harvest of US \$ 244, 14 million. Orange juice shipped to the United States is basically the concentrate and frozen used to be reconstituted before being marketed on the local market, or re-exported. With US production declining because of the greening in Florida, the main plague of the orchards, and the closure of factories in that state, the demand for the Brazilian beverage has increased.

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RIO GRANDE PORT ANNOUNCES POSITIVE RESULTS IN THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF 2018

During its participation in Intermodal South America 2018 in São Paulo, the Rio Grande Port Superintendency announced growth in handling in the first two months of 2018. In the first two months, the complex moved 1.9 million tons in general cargo, 2,5 million tons in solid bulk and 654.1K tons in liquid bulk. The total number of cargo handled was 5.1 million tons, which represents an increase of 4% when compared to

the first two months of 2017. Throughout last year, the Port of Rio Grande registered 41.1 million tons. Of note in the port movement, in Rio Grande, landings of barley, with growth of 52%, surpassing 50K tons. The rice (broken and grain, in general cargo and solid bulk) reaches 113% growth surpassing 417K tons. The soyabean complex (oil, meal and grain) has increased by 37%, surpassing 1.2 million tons. The increase is driven by the movement of the grain that alone has elevation of 54%, surpassing 800K tons. The movement of vehicles was the one that showed the highest elevation. Only in the first two months, the increase was 330%, surpassing the 14K units.

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