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## Yugoslavia

### Grain and Feed

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**Report Highlights:** Compared to our March 99 estimate, MY99/00 wheat production has been revised downward to 1.95 MMT due to lower-than-expected wheat yields. MY 2000/2001 wheat production is preliminarily estimated to increase to 2.25 MMT due to higher planted area. Yugoslavia's MY 99/00 corn production highlighted the country's last year's crop production by increasing to 6.5 MMT, up 18 percent from a year earlier.

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Includes PSD changes: No

Includes Trade Matrix: No

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For reporting purposes, Yugoslavia includes the Republics of Serbia and Montenegro. The Republics of Serbia and Montenegro have asserted the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.

In this report, the AgSofia Office provides a preliminary projection for Yugoslavia's MY 1999/2000 wheat production, as given in our March 1999 G&F update (see YU9017). Wheat production is currently estimated at 1,950,000 MT, down 33 percent from a year earlier and down 9 percent from our March 1999 wheat production estimate. The decline in production is primarily due to lower MY 1999/2000 planted area as a result of farmers' reaction to reduced income generated from the year earlier wheat crop. Lower than expected wheat yields resulting from substandard application of expensive farm inputs also contributed to the total decline. Yugoslavia's MY 2000/2001 is preliminary projected at 2,250,000 MT due mainly to higher planted area. However, the continuing shortage and high costs of farm inputs will again limit their use and result in MY 2000/2001 wheat yields virtually unchanged from the last year's disappointing results.

On the other hand, Yugoslavia's MY 1999/2000 corn production was the brightest spot of the last year's Yugoslavia's agricultural production. Extremely favorable weather conditions for corn development boosted corn yields and resulted in a production of corn estimated at 6,500,000 MT, up 18 percent from a year earlier.

<b>Grain and Feed Production Estimates 1997-1999 (000 HA, 000 MT)</b>						
Crop/ Year	Harvested Area (000 HA)			Production (000 MT)		
	1998	1999	2000F	1998	1999	1999F
Wheat	800	650	750	2,900	1,950	2,250
Corn	1,400	1,400	N/A	5,300	6,500	N/A

Source: USDA/FAS AgSofia Estimates