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### Agricultural Situation

## Mexico's Monthly Crop Update, January 2002 2002

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#### Report Highlights:

**SAGARPA revised upward its corn and sorghum production estimates, due to higher yields from Mexico's fall/winter 2001/02 harvest. FAS/Mexico, however, is maintaining its previous production estimates for MY 2001/02, until our upcoming Grain and Feed Annual report is published in mid-March 2002.**

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Includes PSD changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
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The tables below represent the most recent official data published by Mexico's Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries, and Foodstuffs (SAGARPA). USDA does not necessarily concur with SAGARPA's data, however, it is used in these tables so that readers have a consistent data source as a basis for their analysis. FAS/Mexico's numbers may ultimately vary significantly from those presented below because of input from non-SAGARPA sources.

#### FORECAST FOR FALL/WINTER 2001/02 HARVEST

Crop	Planting Intention Fall/ Winter 2001/02 (1000 has)	Already Planted Fall/ Winter 2001/02 (1000 has)	Monthly Change Area Fall/ Winter 2001/02 (1000 has)	Projected Production Fall/ Winter 2001/02 (1000 MT)	Production Harvested Fall/Winter 2001/02 (100MT)
CORN	7,640	7,556	2	15,721	11,647
SORGHUM	1,193	1,152	4	4,519	3,685
WHEAT	141	115	1	235	195
COTTON*	91	84	-	148	136
SOYBEANS	103	74	-	134	87
TOTAL	9,168	8,981	7	20,757	15,750

\* Area on all tables based on cotton lint (not cottonseed); SAGARPA reports area for the primary crop, i.e., cotton. The production estimate, however, is for cotton seed (there is a separate estimate for fiber which is reported in our annual and voluntary cotton reports).

SOURCE: SAGARPA as of December 31, 2001

#### FAS/MEXICO'S COMMENT:

**Corn:** SAGARPA revised upward its fall/winter corn production estimates approximately 8 percent compared with last month estimates (see MX1206). SAGARPA revealed that a 20 percent production increase is expected compared with last year's same period. This is due to several factors including a timely rainy season (rainfall was slightly above average levels), and excellent pest control programs during planting season, which are expected to result in better yields. Other factors were improved seed varieties, higher sowing density, as well as timely support provided through PROCAMPO. Production forecast figures for the states of Jalisco, Guanajuato, and Chiapas were revised upwards, due to the favorable weather conditions already mentioned. At this time, FAS/Mexico maintains its previous PS&D estimates (see MX1032), until our upcoming Grain and Feed Annual report is published in mid-March 2002.

**Sorghum:** As with corn, the favorable weather in producing areas and support provided through PROCAMPO are expected to result in ample production. Consequently, SAGARPA is increasing its estimate production by 2.2 percent. Nevertheless, FAS/Mexico is maintaining the current production estimates (see MX1108), until our upcoming Grain and Feed Annual report is published in mid-March 2002.

**Wheat, Cotton & Soybeans:** Overall, SAGARPA is maintaining its production estimates, albeit with very slight changes. FAS/Mexico maintains its PS&D estimates (See MX1032, MX1097 & MX1051)

#### FORECAST FOR SPRING/SUMMER 2002 HARVEST

Crop	Planting Intention Spring/Summer 2002 (1000 has)	Already Planted Spring/Summer 2002 (1000 has)	Monthly Change Area Spring/Summer 2002 (1000 has)	Projected Production Spring/Summer 2002 (1000 MT)
CORN	929	503	249	3,339
SORGHUM	962	56	28	2,362
WHEAT	579	405	295	2,998
COTTON*	34	-	-	37
SOYBEANS	4	-	-	7
TOTAL	2,508	964	572	8,743

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**COMMENT:** For the Spring/Summer 2002 cycle SAGARPA reports that planting intentions are keeping pace as scheduled.