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Spain

Grain and Feed

Status of Spain's Reduced-Duty Grain Import Quota 1998

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Report Highlights:

Spain's trade data and grain purchases, combined with expectations for Spain's 1998 total non-grain feed ingredients imports, indicate the EU must still allow Spain to import about 850,000 tons of corn and 100,000 tons of sorghum under Spain's 1998 corn and sorghum reduced-duty import quotas.

Includes PSD changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Madrid [SP1], SP Spain's import data through June 1998, corn purchases for June-Oct. 98, and estimates of non-grain feed ingredient imports through the end of 1998 indicate that Spain still has about 850,000 tons of corn and 100,000 tons of sorghum to import under the EU's reduced-duty import program. The EU is obligated to allow these quantities to be imported before 28 February, 1999. Data and analysis supporting these conclusions are presented below.

OUTSTANDING 1998 CORN QUOTA (ESTIMATE) (MT)

Total Import Requirements for 1998	2,300,000
Minus 1998 Import forecast for Corn Gluten, Brewers Grains, and Citrus Pulp	548,000
Estimate of Total Corn and Sorghum Required to be Imported Under the Quota	1,752,000
Estimate of 1998 Corn Import Requirement (87 percent of Total 1998 Quota)	1,524,240
Plus 1997 Corn Shortfall	342,407
Estimate of 1998 Total Import Requirement	1,866,647
Minus Estimated JanNov. 1998 Corn Imports (Based on Jan-June import Statistics plus June-Oct. Tender Results)	1,017,000
Estimated 1998 Outstanding Corn Quota	849,647

OUTSTANDING 1998 SORGHUM QUOTA (ESTIMATE) (MT)

Estimate of 1998 Sorghum Import Requirement (13 Percent of Total 1998 Quota)	227,760
Plus 1997 Shortfall	101,241
Minus Estimated JanJun. Imports	227,977
Estimated 1998 Outstanding Sorghum Quota	101,024

MONTH	CORN		SORGHUM		CORN GL. FEED		CITRUS PULP		BR. DRIED GR.	
	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL
JAN	504	4,008	0	0	53,179	65,637	9	32	2,970	4,367
FEB	752	77,052	1,322	1,322	74,376	90,743	0	95	3,050	4,537
MAR	622	113,812	178,832	198,831	13,000	20,865	7,041	7,041	3,086	3,111
APR	803	1,530	24,806	27,824	50,584	63,181	67	114	1,040	2,836
MAY	500	174,903	0	0	89,850	89,850	45	68	5,965	5,990
JUN	331	38,804	0	0	39,951	39,951	22	84	4,023	4,023
TOTAL	3,512	410,109	204,960	227,977	320,940	370,227	7,184	7,434	20,134	24,864

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U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL	U.S.	TOTAL
1,060,992	1,329,317	78,766	103,888	654,071	654,071	8,215	19,673	48,208	48,339