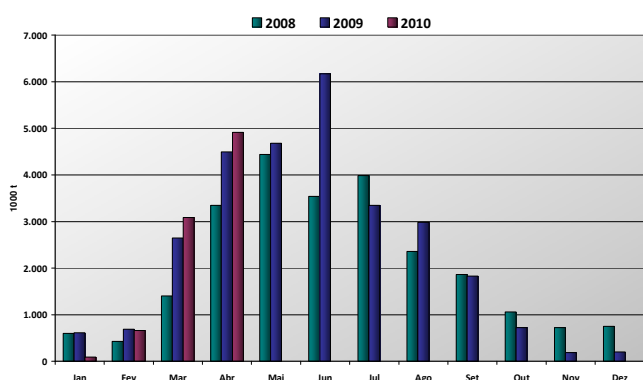


ACCUMULATED VOLUME OF EXPORTS SURPASSED 2009 EXPORTS

Soybean harvested crop is practically finished, with 99.7% already harvested. Harvest pace was accelerated compared to historical average, due to prospects of better pay in relation to competing cultures and due to anticipation of a rainy season.

The Department of Commerce (Secex) released data export from Brazil. Until April this year, exports reached 8.75 million tons. For the first time in 2010, the accumulated volume of exports surpassed the records of 2009.

Soybean exports from Brazil



Mato Grosso do Sul exports recorded the first decline of the year past April. The Ministry of Agriculture shows that exports fell by 8.7% over the previous month. In April it was exported 2.058 million tons of soybean complex (soybeans, oil and meal), worth U.S. \$ 744.1 million.

USDA released projections for the 2010/11 season. The institution estimated increase in Brazilian exports, which can reach 2.05 million tons. This may result in a reduction of 1.42 million of carryout.

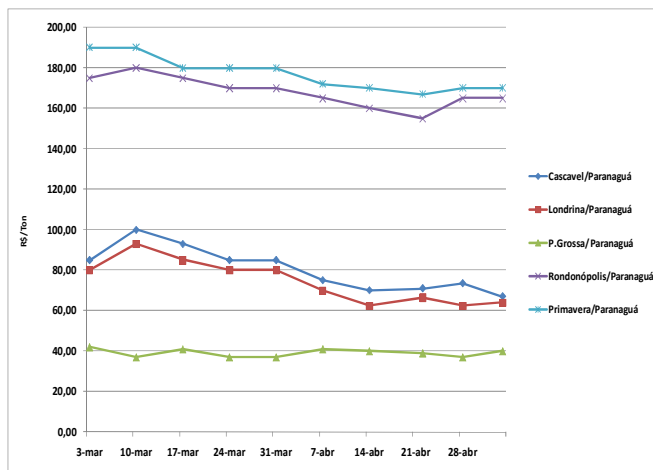
Government in Rio Grande do Sul said that the state achieved the highest production since the culture was introduced. The estimated total production for this season is 10.057 million tonnes.

The cultivated area of Brazil grew by 6.9% corresponding to a gain of 1.5 million hectares over previous harvest, reaching 23.24 million hectares. The southern region was the one that grew the most, and the area of RS rose by 153,700 hectares.

Despite Brazilian crop end, freight prices post appreciation on most routes in the first week of May.

However, since the beginning of the season in March, there was a substantial drop in most of routes.

Freight Rates



It was disclosed this week that the installed capacity of soybean processing industry in Brazil is 143,980 tons/day. This capacity is 47.5 million/year or nearly 70% of current crop forecast.

This volume represents an increase of only 3% over 2005 survey. With that said, the sector has been losing ground in global processing.

China has ceased buying soybean oil from Argentina since the beginning of April, in retaliation of barriers on Chinese goods by Argentina. The Asian market represents 45% of exports of soybean oil in Argentina. The Argentine Secretary of Commerce will travel to Beijing to try to resolve the impasse.

According to USDA, Argentina should recover some of the market share lost to Brazil and the USA in recent years. In 2010/11, the distribution of trade among the largest exporters was estimated at 14.2% for Argentina, 32.9% for Brazil and 41.8% for the USA.