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b) Crushing and Refining Industry Infrastructure

Because of the highly integrated nature of the industry, the crushing and refining section are treated jointly in this report. Crushing capacity is estimated at 5.95 million tonnes (with less than 50% utilization) while refining capacity is estimated at 1.3 million tonnes. The 78 crushing plants (20 are not operational) and 35 refining plants are operated by 45 independent firms and subsidiaries of holding companies or "grupos". The largest of these are Grupo AGYDSA-Patrona; Hidrogenadora Nacional; Anderson Clayton & Co. (A&C is not operating its oilseeds crushing plants; it is only refining imported crude oil); Grupo El Zapote - La Junta; RAGASA; Grupo Industrial Aceitera; Oleaginosas del Sureste, S.A. de C. V.; Productos de Maíz, S. A., and Arancia.

All of the industry is privately owned. With the exception of such firms as Anderson Clayton and Productos de Maíz, S. A., which are subsidiaries of American firms, most of the industry is privately owned by Mexican interests.

c) Compound Feed Industry Infrastructure

The industry is comprised of 53 privately owned (including some cooperatives) manufacturers of "alimentos balanceados" with a total of 89 plants and 18 manufacturers/suppliers of feed supplements and ingredients.

Compound milling capacity is estimated at 7250 tonnes per month while current output is estimated at 6,500 tonnes per month.

Purina, S.A. de C. V., Av. Reforma No. 295 -25, 06500 México, D. F., a subsidiary of the U.S. Ralston Purina firm, is estimated to have about one-third of the commercial