## GRAINS AND OIL-SEEDS

## Wheat

The main indicators of this item during the last few seasons are the following:

		1992/93	1991/92 Av.	90/91 to 86/87	
Production	MT	1,322,336	1,555,588	1,736,146 (1	1)
Sown land	Hec.	395,110	460,700	568,556 (1	.)
Performance	MT/Hec.	3.35	3.38	3.08 (1	.)
Producers	No	35,900	38,400	43,700 (6	)

Kinds of Wheat: There is no standardized classification.

The central, north-central zone produces Winter Hard Wheat and Spring and Winter Durum.

The central-south zone produces Spring Hard and Winter Soft wheat.

The southern zone produces Spring and Winter Soft wheat.

Price band: In order to prevent excessive fluctuations in the internal market, every year the government sets a price band that is calculated based on a selection of the last 60 monthly averages of international prices. For 1993/94 the bottom value is US\$ 183 and the ceiling is US\$ 246 per Metric Ton. A system of customs duties and rebates keeps the cost of imports within this range (7).