

MAY 2010

CRUSHINGS

Canadian **canola crushings** in Apr 2010 were 437.3 thousand tonnes, down 7% from the record monthly crush of 470.1 thousand tonnes set in Mar 2010; 193.5 thousand tonnes of oil and 242.4 thousand tonnes of meal were produced in Apr. Canola crushings in Jan-Apr 2010 were 1 702.3 thousand tonnes, up 18% from the Jan-Apr 2009 crush. Total canola crushings for the 2009/10 crop year to the end of Apr 2010 were 3 407.2 thousand tonnes, up 4% from the same period in 2008/09.

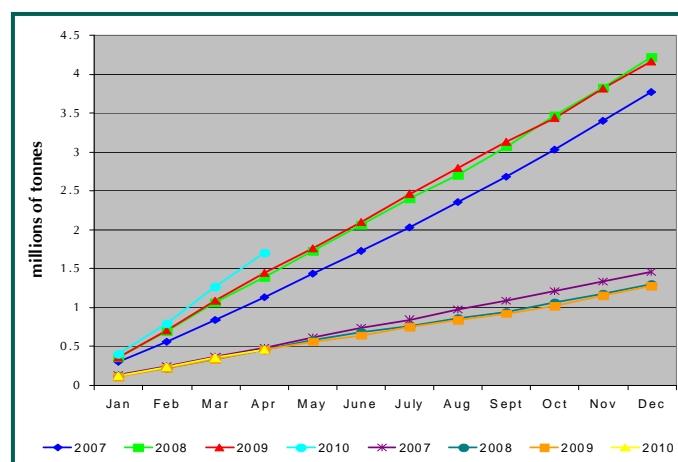
OILSEED CRUSHINGS

	Crushings	Oil Produced	Meal Produced
	'000 tonnes		
CANOLA			
Apr/10	437.3	193.5	242.4
Jan-Apr/10	1 702.3	751.1	950.2
Jan-Apr/09	1 445.2	625.9	832.9
Jan-Dec/09	4 169.2	1 810.8	2 386.4
Jan-Dec/08	4 217.7	1 782.3	2 516.6
Jan-Dec/07	3 771.7	1 610.6	2 239.3
Aug/09-Apr/10	3 407.2	1 496.3	1 914.7
Aug/08-Apr/09	3 260.7	1 399.0	1 898.1
Aug/08-July/09	4 279.9	1 838.8	2 487.1
Aug/07-July/08	4 144.4	1 738.7	2 495.0
SOYBEANS			
Apr/10	104.7	18.7	83.6
Jan-Apr/10	458.1	81.1	362.6
Jan-Apr/09	454.1	84.5	358.3
Jan-Dec/09	1 274.9	234.7	1 008.4
Jan-Dec/08	1 296.4	247.6	997.6
Jan-Dec/07	1 460.8	271.1	1 138.4
Aug/09-Apr/10	985.4	177.1	779.6
Aug/08-Apr/09	988.2	184.5	774.0
Aug/08-July/09	1 281.8	238.7	1 007.1
Aug/07-July/08	1 376.6	264.5	1 056.9

Sources: Statistics Canada and COPA

Canadian **soybean crushings** in Apr 2010 were 104.7 thousand tonnes, down 12% from the Mar crush of 119.4 thousand tonnes; 18.7 thousand tonnes of soy oil and 83.6 thousand tonnes of soy meal were produced in Apr. Soybean crushings in Jan-Apr 2010 were 458.1 thousand tonnes, up 1% from the Jan-Apr 2009 crush. Total soybean crushings for the 2009/10 crop year to the end of Apr 2010 were 985.4 thousand tonnes, down slightly from the same period the previous year.

CUMULATIVE MONTHLY CRUSHINGS



MARCH 31 STOCKS

According to Statistics Canada, canola stocks in all positions at Mar 31, 2010 were 5.4 million tonnes, down 12% or 0.7 million tonnes from Mar 2009; canola supplies were down as a result of a 6.5% production decline in 2009.

Total stocks of soybeans at Mar 31 were 1.4 million tonnes, up 14% from Mar 2009; the increase in stocks was due to a record 3.5 million tonne production in 2009.

Flaxseed total stocks at Mar. 31 were 0.6 million tonnes, up 22% from 2009.

	Canola	Soybeans	Flaxseed
	'000 tonnes		
2010 - total	5 438	1 400	596
- farm	4 506	755	500
- commercial	932	645	96
2009 - total	6 149	1 223	489
- farm	4 997	603	395
- commercial	1 152	620	94
2008 - total	4 577	1 020	402
- farm	3 346	470	245
- commercial	1 231	550	157

Source: Statistics Canada

TRADE

Canola oil exports in Jan-Mar 2010 were 462.6 thousand tonnes. Exports of canola oil to the US were 270.6 thousand tonnes, accounting for 58% of total exports. Other canola oil importers were China 169.3 thousand tonnes (37% of total exports), Hong Kong 13.2 thousand tonnes (3%) and South Korea 3.5 thousand tonnes, Japan 2.3 thousand tonnes and Taiwan 1.1 thousand tonnes (less than 1% each).

Canola meal exports in Jan-Mar 2010 were 491.9 thousand tonnes. Exports of canola meal to the US were 287.4 thousand tonnes (58% of total exports). Other canola meal importers were China that imported 104.6 thousand tonnes (21%), Mexico 54.2 thousand tonnes (11%), South Korea 22.5 thousand tonnes (5%), Vietnam 10.6 thousand tonnes (2%), Indonesia 6.2 thousand tonnes (1%) and Taiwan 3.6 thousand tonnes and Thailand 2.8 thousand tonnes (less than 1% each).

CANADIAN EXPORTS

	2009 (Jan-Dec)			2010 (Jan-Mar)		
	US	Other	Total	US	Other	Total
	'000 tonnes					
Canola	658.6	7163.7	7822.3	258.2	1681.3	1939.5
Soybeans	319.8	1708.2	2028.0	148.7	244.3	393.0
Canola oil	1002.4	546.0	1548.4	270.6	192.0	462.6
Soy oil	43.6	2.5	46.1	15.1	0.5	15.6
Canola meal	1468.2	283.3	1751.5	287.4	204.5	491.9
Soy meal	54.5	--	54.5	41.8	0.3	42.1

Sources: Statistics Canada and COPA

In Jan-Mar 2010, canola imports were 23.3 thousand tonnes, soybean imports were 105.8 thousand tonnes and soy meal imports were 237.0 thousand tonnes.

CANADIAN IMPORTS

	2009 (Jan-Dec)			2010 (Jan-Mar)		
	US	Other	Total	US	Other	Total
	'000 tonnes					
Canola	134.1	7.6	141.8	22.7	0.6	23.3
Soybeans	399.6	12.1	411.7	104.4	1.4	105.8
Canola oil	150.3	5.4	155.8	50.1	0.1	50.2
Soy oil	76.9	0.3	77.2	17.5	0.2	17.7
Canola meal	2.5	0	2.5	--	--	--
Soy meal	1128.1	1.6	1129.7	236.0	1.0	237.0

Source: Statistics Canada

WORLD OILSEED SUPPLY/DISPOSITION

For 2010/11, Oil World is currently forecasting a 1% increase in world oilseed production and a 5% increase in world oilseed supply.

	2008/09	2009/10F	2010/11F
	million tonnes		
Open. stocks	69.9	59.7	82.1
Production	393.8	436.6	439.5
soybeans	211.3	258.9	253.8
canola	58.4	60.0	59.9
sun	34.7	31.3	34.2
other	89.4	86.4	91.6
Total supply	463.7	496.3	521.6
Crushings	341.1	354.9	
soybeans	194.4	205.7	
canola	51.8	57.2	
sun	31.0	29.0	
other	63.9	63.0	
Other use	62.9	59.3	
Ending stocks	59.7	82.1	
Product output			
8 major oils	131.7	137.0	
soy oil	36.0	37.8	
canola	21.1	23.3	
sun	12.9	11.8	
palm oil	44.3	46.7	
8 major meals	236.3	245.6	
soybeans	153.2	162.0	
canola	30.5	33.4	
sun	14.3	13.3	

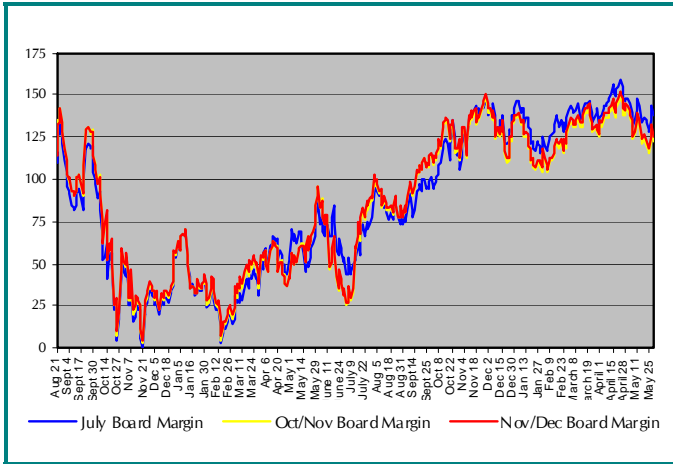
Source: Oil World

CRUSH CAPACITY UTILIZATION

	Canola	Soybeans
2005 Jan-Dec	84.5%	79.4%
2006 Jan-Dec	86.1%	67.9%
2007 Jan-Dec	81.1%	67.1%
2008 Jan-Dec	90.7%	59.6%
2009 Jan-Dec	77.3%	58.6%
2009 Jan-Apr	80.4%	62.6%
2010 Jan-Apr	81.8%	63.1%

CANADIAN CANOLA BOARD MARGIN INDEX

During the month of May 2010, the Canadian canola board margin index fell by 11% based on the Nov/Oct contract period. Over the month oil prices fell 3%, meal prices fell 7% and canola seed prices fell by 2%.



US SOYBEAN BOARD MARGINS

During the month of May 2010, the US soybean board margin rose by 9% for the Nov/Oct contract period. Over the month, oil prices fell 3%, meal prices fell 7% and soybean prices fell by 6%.

