



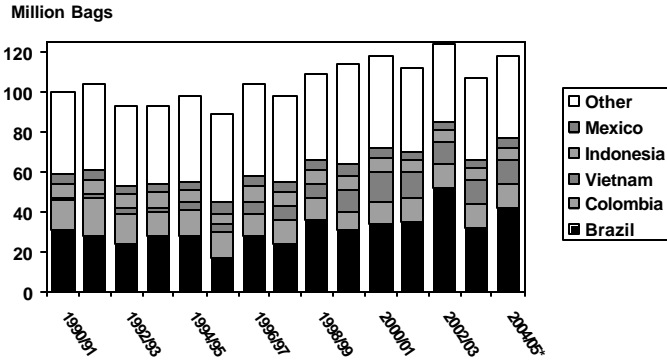
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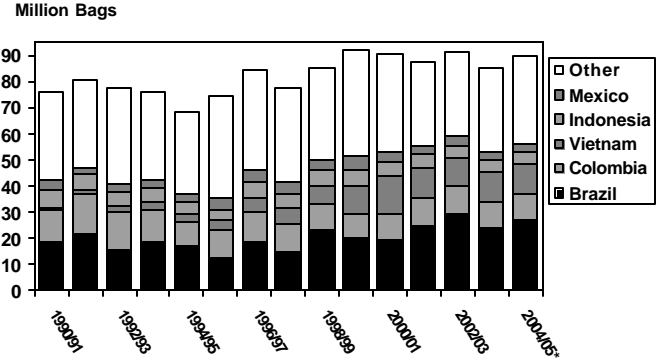
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World 2004/05 Coffee Production Forecast To Rise as Brazil's Crop Rebounds



Higher Coffee Supplies in 2004/05 Forecast to Lead to Recovered Exports



World coffee production in 2004/05 is forecast at 117.7 million bags (60 kilograms or 132.276 pounds), up 10 percent, or 10.8 million bags over the previous year. Most of the increase is attributed to the recovery in Brazil's 2004/05 coffee production level. Brazil's production of coffee during 2004/05 is forecast at 42.4 million bags, up from 32.0 million bags in 2003/04. As Brazil's production is forecast to account for 36 percent of the world total in 2004/05, swings in Brazil's supplies of coffee account for the change in the world total supplies of coffee. Total coffee supplies in 2004/05 are forecast at 142.6 million bags, up 4 percent from the previous year. As a result of the higher supplies, total coffee exports in 2004/05 are forecast at 90.1 million bags, up 4.5 million bags from 2003/04.

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