

Mexican economy hit by flu

Swine flu outbreak comes at a time when Mexico's economy is vulnerable due to the global financial crisis.

Sectors worst affected



- **Tourism, transportation**
Hotels, airlines, restaurants

➔ Worst-case:
20% drop
in business



- **Meat production**
Pork

➔ China, Russia,
others ban Mexican
pork imports



- **Animal food industry**

➔ U.S. is biggest
trade partner;
soy, corn futures
decline



- **Oil industry**

➔ Already in decline
through 2008;
ongoing price fall

GDP growth trend

IV 2008	-1.6%
I 2009	-4.2% (est.)

Foreign tourism (value \$13.3 billion, 2008) is third-largest source of foreign currency behind oil exports and remittances from Mexicans abroad

Pesos per U.S. dollar



World Bank has agreed to loan Mexico \$205 million to fight swine flu