

**STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY06**  
**SOPE**  
**REGION: LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN**  
**COUNTRY: ARGENTINA**

**Operations Policy and Country Services**  
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**Introduction**

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY06 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active on June 30, 2006.

The World Bank has issued a SOPE Report every year as an internal communication to the Board of Executive Directors. In accordance with the Bank's revised disclosure policy, since FY02, the SOPE Report is available to the public.

The report is intended to bridge the gap in information available to the public between the Project Appraisal Document, disclosed after the Bank approves a project, and the Implementation Completion Report, disclosed after the project closes.

In addition to the project progress description, the FY06 SOPE report<sup>1</sup> contains project level comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date for all active projects.

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<sup>1</sup> Notes:

- Amounts for Projects in currencies other than U.S. dollars may not match exactly due to exchange rate fluctuations over the life of the project.
- Disbursement graphs are not included for Development Policy Loans, which provide quick-disbursing external financing to support policy and institutional reforms. For these loans, funds are disbursed in one or more stages (tranches), released when the borrower complies with agreed conditions.
- Projects which are not yet effective may not have a planned disbursement schedule and thus may not include a graph.



**Country: Argentina**

**Project Name (ID):** Reduction of Ozone ( P005920 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 01/09/1997

**Closing Date :** 11/30/2010

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** WBTF-22013

**Sector(s):** General industry and trade (96%), Central government administration (4%)

**Theme(s):** Pollution management and environmental health (P)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to (a) phase out Ozone Depleting Substances consumption through the provision of technical and financial assistance; and (b) strengthen the institutional framework in Argentina to better identify, prepare, evaluate, and administer subprojects

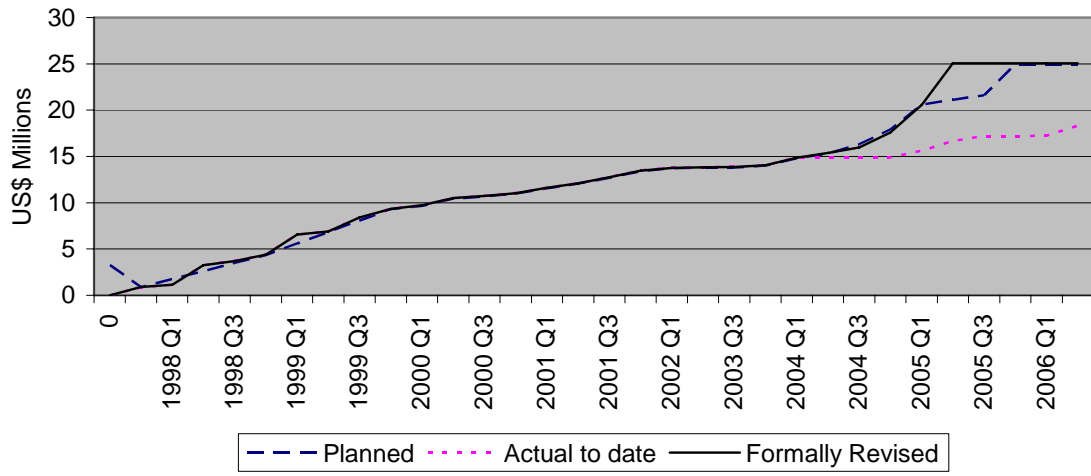
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project has surpassed its target of reducing 1612 tons of ozone depleting substances (ODS) by roughly 35%. To date, around 2182 tons ODS have been reduced. Currently, there are four active projects. Closure of the chlorofluoro carbons (CFC) production plant, FIASA, is well on its way, and the company has been continually meeting the production limits established by the Multilateral Fund. FIASA's owners have expressed interest in accelerating its shutdown of CFC production from 2010 to the end of 2007, and this is under discussion. With respect to the Methyl Bromide sector, experiments to find viable alternatives to control pests that affect cotton and citrus fruits are underway in cooperation with INTA (the National Agricultural Technology Institute). These research efforts are expected to be completed after the 2007 growing season. Finally, the Halon Bank is now fully operational, and work is under way to prepare both a Chiller replacement program and a program on Metered Dose Inhalers.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
WBTF-22013	Effective	25.00	18.30	6.70	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Provincial Agricultural Development I ( P006010 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 04/22/1997

**Midterm Review Date :** 05/31/2001

**Closing Date :** 01/31/2007

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-41500

**Sector(s):** Roads and highways (32%), Water supply (32%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry (32%), Sub-national government administration (2%), Central government administration (2%)

**Theme(s):** Rural services and infrastructure (P), Rural policies and institutions (P), Other rural development (P)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objectives are to: (a) increase and diversify agricultural production and exports; (b) increase and stabilize the agricultural incomes of small and medium-sized commercial farms; (c) improve the effectiveness of basic agricultural support services; (d) improve rural productive infrastructure; (e) strengthen national and provincial institutional capacity; and (f) rationalize public investments and promote an expanded private sector role in agricultural development.

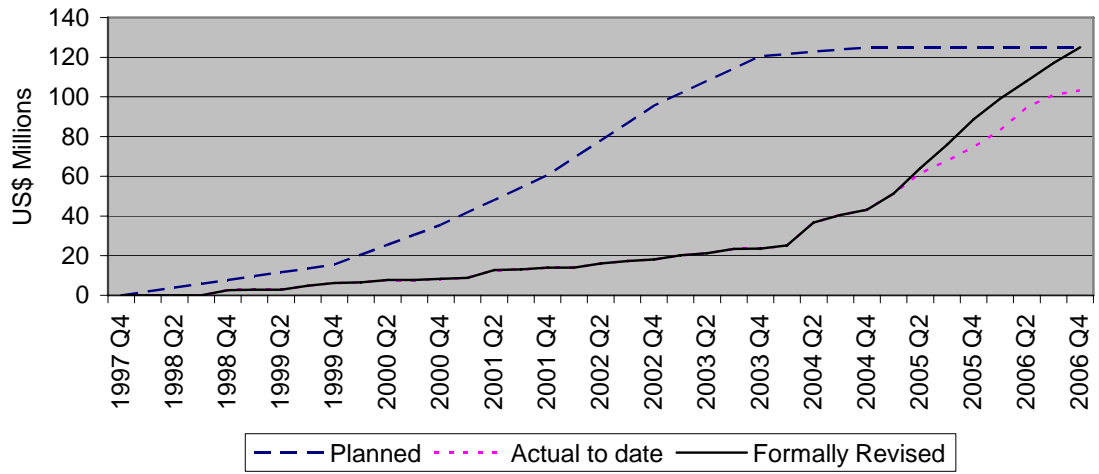
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project has consolidated its performance and is scheduled to close in early 2007 having substantially met its objectives. Additional financing is proposed to supplement activities in the area of animal health. The 22 subprojects in the current project portfolio support activities focused on (a) irrigation and drainage -100 km of irrigation canals built; 58 km of irrigation pipes laid; and 113 km of drainage rehabilitated-, (b) rural electrification and rural roads rehabilitation -406 km of power lines built and 326 km of rural roads rehabilitated-, (c) animal and plant health -6 sanitary control posts built; 3423 animal feed processing plants monitored- , (d) food quality -19 pilot activities implemented; 8894 persons trained in food quality issues; 510 professionals trained in the implementation of food quality systems-, (e) agricultural risk and insurance -4 agricultural climate-risk maps produced and available on line; 400 farmers trained-, (f) commercial development of non-traditional agricultural products -1580 farmers assisted-, (g) provincial institutional strengthening for rural development planning -14 provinces supported-, and (h) promotion of young rural entrepreneurs -10 centers to foster the development of young entrepreneurs established; 1400 young rural entrepreneurs trained.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-41500	Effective	125.00	103.27	21.73	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Small Farmer Development ( P006041 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 07/17/1997

**Midterm Review Date :** 12/23/2002

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-42120, JPN-22731

**Sector(s):** Irrigation and drainage (25%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry (25%), General transportation (25%), Central government administration (15%), Sub-national government administration (10%)

**Theme(s):** Participation and civic engagement (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Other rural development (P), Rural policies and institutions (S), Indigenous peoples (S)

### **Project Development Objectives:**

The objectives are: (a) increased productive and organizational capacity in participating poor, rural communities; (b) greater emphasis on rural poverty issues in the sectoral agenda and improved coordination of rural development programs and policies; and (c) financial assistance provided to poor, rural producers in areas declared in flood emergency or disaster.

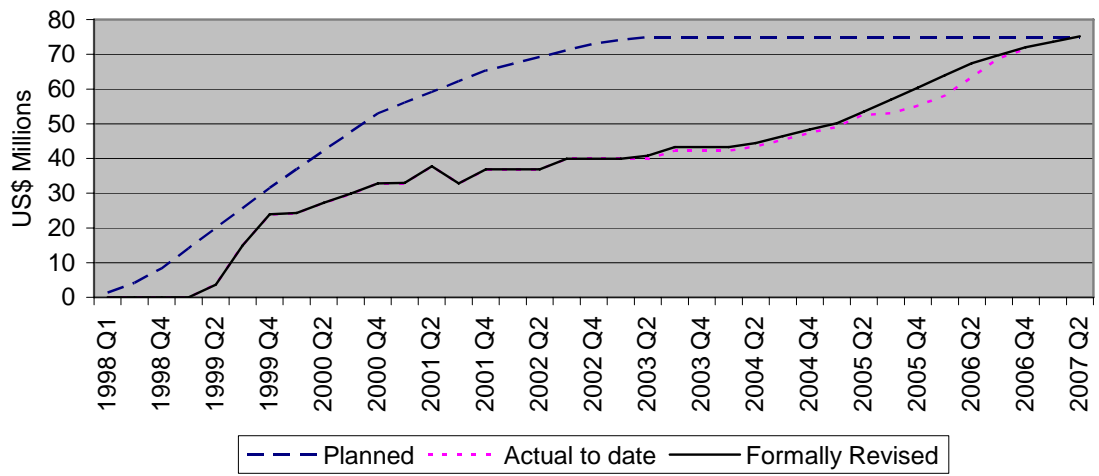
### **Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project is midway through its final year and has successfully fulfilled its development objectives. By the end of April 2006, the project had financed 9,056 subprojects, reaching more than 4,000 groups composed of 48,169 families (361,436 persons). The aggregate results of both the 2002 and 2005 monitoring and impact assessment surveys found that income and quality of life had improved, as well as organizational capacity and participation. The 2005 survey found that in aggregate producers income had increased 79% (measured in constant prices) from the before project situation. Field visits and other information confirm that important results are being achieved on the ground. The first catalogue of technologies appropriate for small farmers and rural dwellers has been widely disseminated, as well as the results of 33 appropriate technology projects. The project has produced the critical ingredients of data and analysis of the rural poor, but progress on defining a national rural development strategy is modest. Results are better at the provincial level where 6 provinces have defined their rural development strategy, 7 have completed diagnostic studies, and 11 have created or designated a provincial unit to deal with these matters.

### **Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-42120	Effective	75.00	71.51	3.49	0.00
JPN-22731	Closed	0.74	0.79	0.00	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Renewable Energy ( P006043 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 03/30/1999

**Midterm Review Date :** 12/14/2001

**Closing Date :** 06/30/2007

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-44540

**Sector(s):** Renewable energy (89%), Sub-national government administration (11%)

**Theme(s):** Rural services and infrastructure (P), Other urban development (P), Other financial and private sector development (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objectives are to (a) provide the rural areas of participating provinces with reliable electricity supply in a sustainable manner; (b) advance on the reform of the energy sector; (c) expand the participation of the private sector in the provision of electricity in the rural areas; and (d) support the creation of sustainable business operations for rural energy.

**The Project was restructured during the 2006 Fiscal Year**

The loan agreement was amended to address three aspects that were hampering project implementation: (i) complex institutional arrangements; (ii) weak implementation capacity; (iii) uncertain availability of local funds.

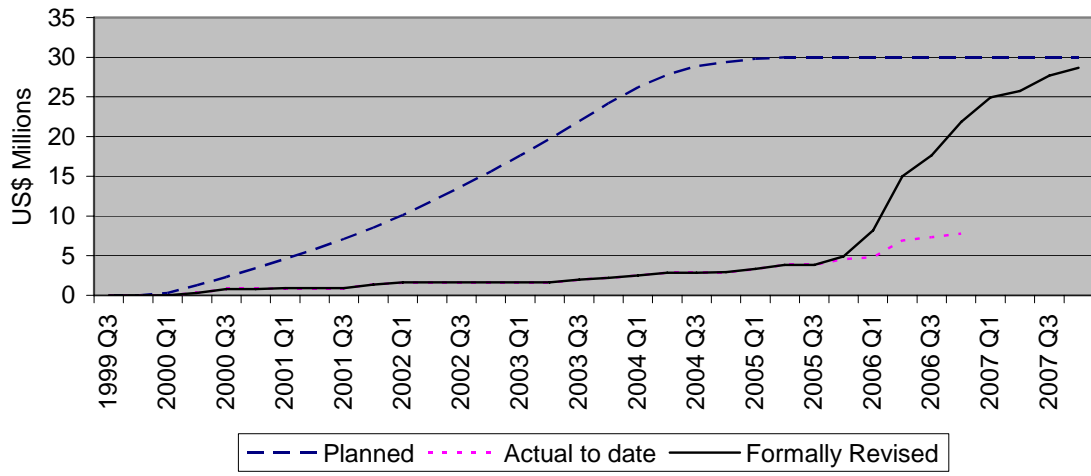
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

Bidding and contracting significantly increased in fiscal year 2006. There are now about 6,500 solar home systems, 1,300 solar public systems (mostly in rural schools) and 120 wind home systems, that are either installed or under bidding. Eleven provinces are participating actively in the project and seven others are close to start active implementation. Four private concessionaires are involved in the project. The project continued strengthening the Secretariat of Energy's capacity on strategic planning and policy aspects.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-44540	Effective	30.00	7.76	22.24	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** WATER SECTOR REFORM ( P006046 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 06/01/1999

**Midterm Review Date :** 12/16/2003

**Closing Date :** 07/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-44840, JPN-29356

**Sector(s):** Water supply (39%), Sewerage (39%), Central government administration (22%)

**Theme(s):** Regulation and competition policy (P), Access to urban services and housing (P), Other urban development (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Pollution management and environmental health (P)

### Project Development Objectives:

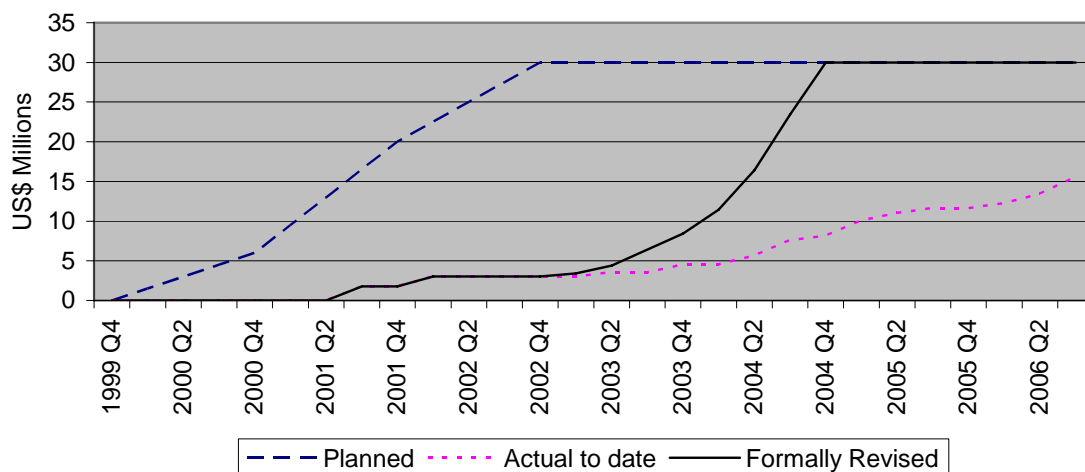
The revised objectives are to: (a) support the reform of the water and sanitation sector with the promotion of efficiency in the operation and financing of water utilities; (b) support the establishment of sound regulatory frameworks for the water sector; and (c) address universal service and environmental issues pertaining to this sector.

### Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project development objectives as revised in fiscal year 2004 are not expected to be fully achieved by the closing date. The nearly twelve months required for countersigning the fourth amendment will curtail the achievement of the development objectives.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-44840	Effective	30.00	15.54	14.46	0.00
JPN-29356	Closed	0.37	0.29	0.00	0.06



**Project Name (ID):** PUBLIC INVESTMENT STRENGTHENING ( P037049 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 11/21/1995

**Midterm Review Date :** 08/01/1999

**Closing Date :** 07/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-39580, IBRD-3958A, IBRD-3958S, JPN-29188

**Sector(s):** Central government administration (100%)

**Theme(s):** Public expenditure, financial management, and procurement (P),  
Decentralization (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

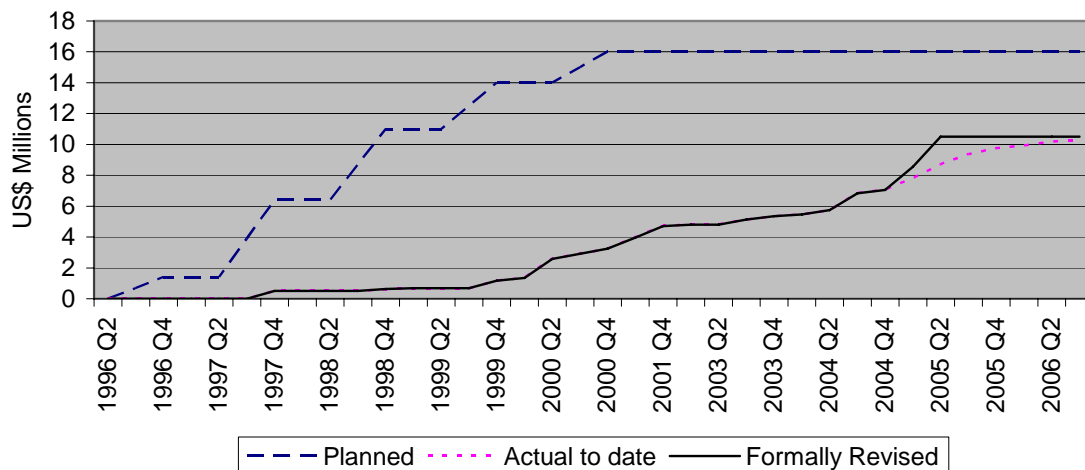
The objective is to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of public expenditure management

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

Training of public employees in the area of identification, formulation, monitoring and evaluation of public investment projects has been extended to more than a dozen universities and a number of national agencies. The integrated financial management system is now implemented in more than 51 agencies representing more than 95 percent of federal budgetary expenditures. Finally, the Administration and Budget Control System for External Loan Implementing Units in all projects (90 at the moment) to administer external resources has been established.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-39580	Effective	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
IBRD-3958A	Effective	15.39	9.62	0.07	5.70
IBRD-3958S	Effective	0.61	0.61	0.00	0.00
JPN-29188	Closed	0.27	0.29	0.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Coastal Contamination Prevention and Marine Management (P049012 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 06/26/2001

**Midterm Review Date :** 07/01/2005

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** WBTF-28385, WBTF-28491

**Sector(s):** Sub-national government administration (40%), Central government administration (30%), Ports, waterways and shipping (26%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry (4%)

**Theme(s):** Biodiversity (P), Pollution management and environmental health (P), Water resources management (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Participation and civic engagement (S)

### **Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to support long-term protection of international waters and the conservation and sustainable use of marine resources

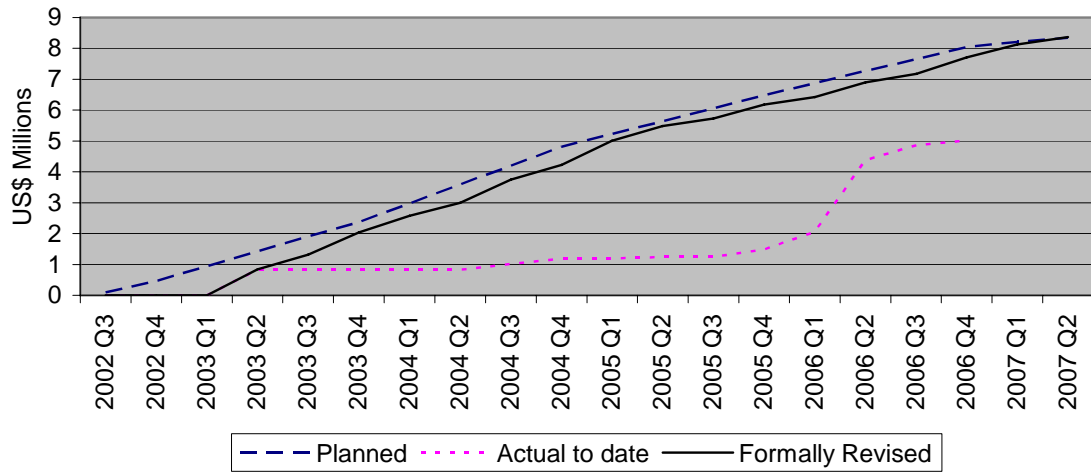
### **Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

There has been progress in project implementation in the 4 provinces. In Tierra del Fuego, built capacity in lab analysis of red tide and improvement in oceanographic information has been verified; in Chubut, equipment and training to measure quality of marine water have been provided; in Rio Negro, surveys and equipment have been procured for oceanographic data in critical areas for fisheries; and educational plan has been developed for the official curricula in Santa Cruz. As part of the institutional strengthening component for the Patagonian provinces, a Strategic Environmental Assessment on Tourism in El Calafate, Santa Cruz was carried out. A workshop was conducted in December 2006 to discuss the final report. Next province to benefit from the project will be Tierra del Fuego, as Ushuaia is facing planning and environmental management challenges associated with rapid growth. The Prefectura Naval Argentina has carried out two courses on oil spills prevention and control of hazardous substances. The new set of courses is scheduled for early FY07. Terms of reference have been developed for the new component aimed at strengthening management of the fisheries sector. Work on this area is expected to start early fiscal year 2007.

### **Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
WBTF-28385	Effective	9.55	5.02	4.40	0.00
WBTF-28491	Closed	0.35	0.33	0.00	0.02





**Project Name (ID):** Heads of Household Transition ( P055483 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 03/23/2006

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2007

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73690, IBRD-P3830

**Sector(s):** Other social services (99%), Sub-national government administration (1%)

**Theme(s):** Social safety nets (P), Improving labor markets (P), Other accountability/anti-corruption (S), Vulnerability assessment and monitoring (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

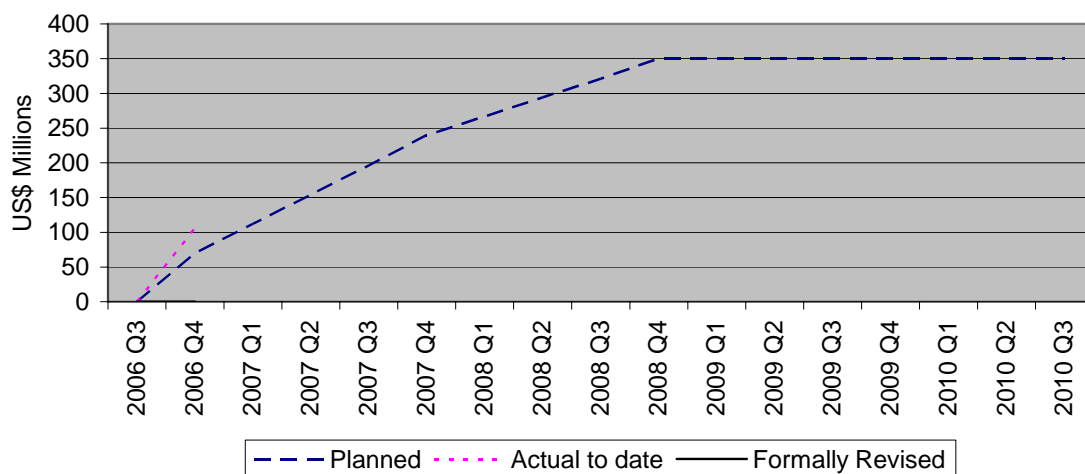
The objectives are to (i) reduce poverty by supporting the workfare component of the Heads of Household Program, including continued improvements in Program management and governance; and (ii) promote activities aimed at getting more beneficiaries of this Program into full-time employment, thereby enabling them to graduate from the Program.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was declared effective on May 18, 2006. The Special Account has been opened and the Government has requested reimbursement of the full amount of retroactive financing (US\$70 million) which financed a share of 1.4 million transfer payments for Program participants who are complying with the workfare requirement.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73690	Effective	350.00	105.88	244.13	0.00
IBRD-P3830	Closed	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50



**Project Name (ID):** STATE MODERNIZATION ( P057449 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 12/17/1998

**Midterm Review Date :** 07/31/2000

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-44230, IBRD-P3470

**Sector(s):** Central government administration (100%)

**Theme(s):** Technology diffusion (P)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to strengthen public sector management tools to improve transparency and civil society participation as well as to increase the efficiency and quality of management in selected areas of public services.

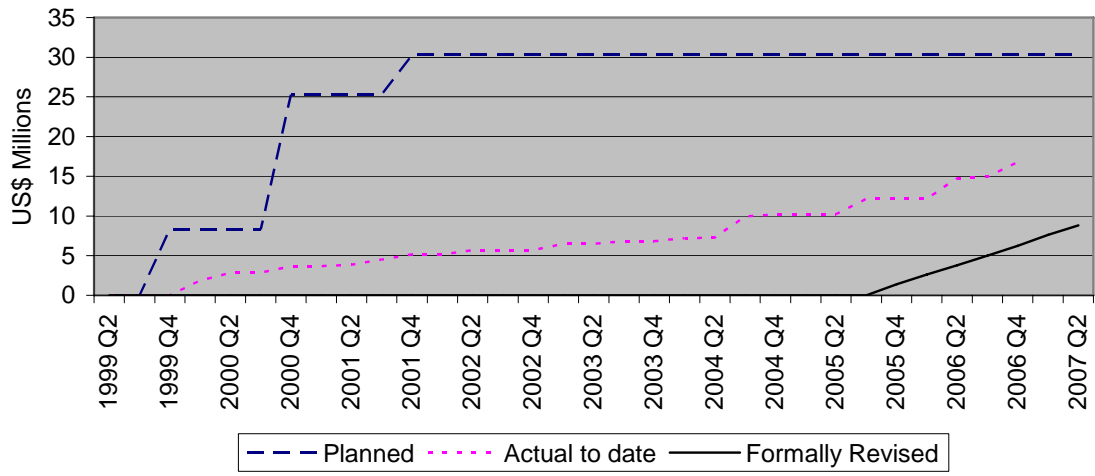
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The original development objective aimed at supporting Argentina's critical central government system to process dates properly after December 31, 1999 (the "Y2K problem"). After two amendments (in 2000 and 2001), the objective of the project was restructured towards strengthening public sector management tools and promoting reform in selected areas of government. Under this new objective, the Undersecretariat of Public Management of the Chief of Cabinet Office has modernized selected areas in key agencies and has made important advances in the development of an e-procurement system, the implementation of innovative citizen's participation mechanisms (the Citizens Charter Program), the evaluation of public services delivered, and e-government. The restructuring also introduced a new component to support the second phase of the Social and Fiscal National Identification System (SINTyS) program. Recent achievements in this area include the expansion of virtual interconnection of the provinces and national agencies, among them ANSES. The savings target for this period has already been surpassed by 44%.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-44230	Effective	30.30	16.76	13.54	0.00
IBRD-P3470	Closed	1.50	0.00	0.00	1.50





**Project Name (ID):** Indigenous Community Development LIL ( P057473 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 09/18/2000

**Midterm Review Date :** 11/08/2004

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-45800

**Sector(s):** Central government administration (45%), Other social services (15%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry (14%), General water, sanitation and flood protection (13%), Other industry (13%)

**Theme(s):** Participation and civic engagement (P), Rural non-farm income generation (P), Indigenous peoples (P), Land administration and management (S), Personal and property rights (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to establish the basis for community-driven development and the protection and management of natural resources on indigenous community lands.

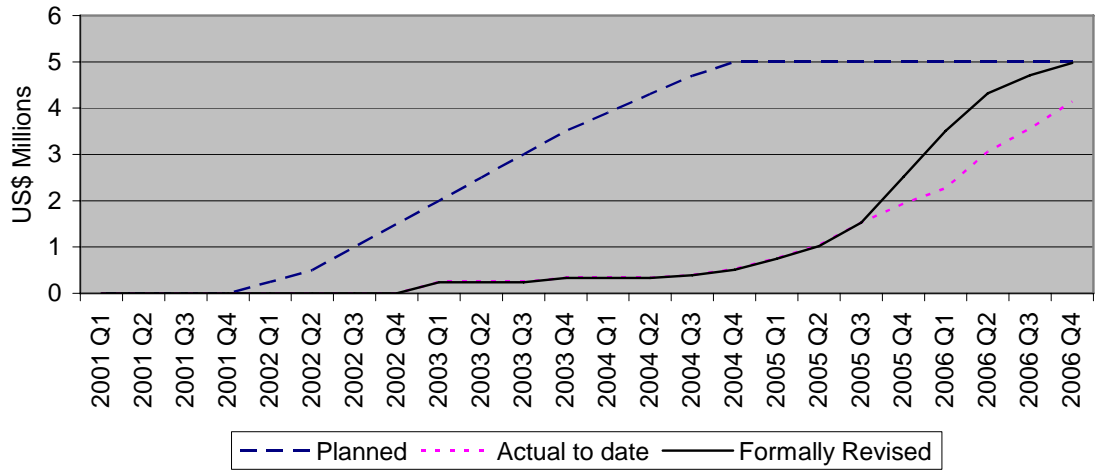
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project continues to make substantial progress towards its objectives. Subprojects that have been completed or are nearing completion demonstrate an improved quality of life and productivity in participating communities, as well as greater access to public services such as healthcare, water and sanitation. Participatory planning and capacity building has significantly strengthened social capital of participating indigenous communities and their ability to implement community-driven development in the form of subprojects in critical areas determined by the community. Project implementation is still going strong: of a portfolio of 77 community subprojects, 20 are completed, 16 close to completion (70-80% physical progress), and 41 are under execution.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-45800	Effective	5.00	4.16	0.84	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Basic Municipal Services ( P060484 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 06/06/2006

**Closing Date :** 03/31/2012

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73850

**Sector(s):** Water supply (27%), Sanitation (27%), Roads and highways (21%), Sewerage (14%), Sub-national government administration (11%)

**Theme(s):** Access to urban services and housing (P), Municipal governance and institution building (P), Decentralization (P), Water resources management (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to improve the quality of life and quality of basic municipal services through the provision of water supply and sanitation, urban drainage, and roads infrastructure in participating provinces and municipalities.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-73850	Not Effective	110.00	0.00	110.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Buenos Aires Urban Transport ( P039584 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 05/15/1997

**Midterm Review Date :** 11/13/2000

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-41630, IBRD-P3020, JPN-29187

**Sector(s):** General transportation (90%), Central government administration (10%)

**Theme(s):** Other urban development (P), Pollution management and environmental health (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objectives are to (a) improve the service quality and coverage of mass transit through public-private partnership; (b) enhance infrastructure as defined in the concession agreements between government and the private sector; (c) improve the conditions of traffic safety and environmental quality; and (d) develop an integrated urban transport (road and rail) system in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area.

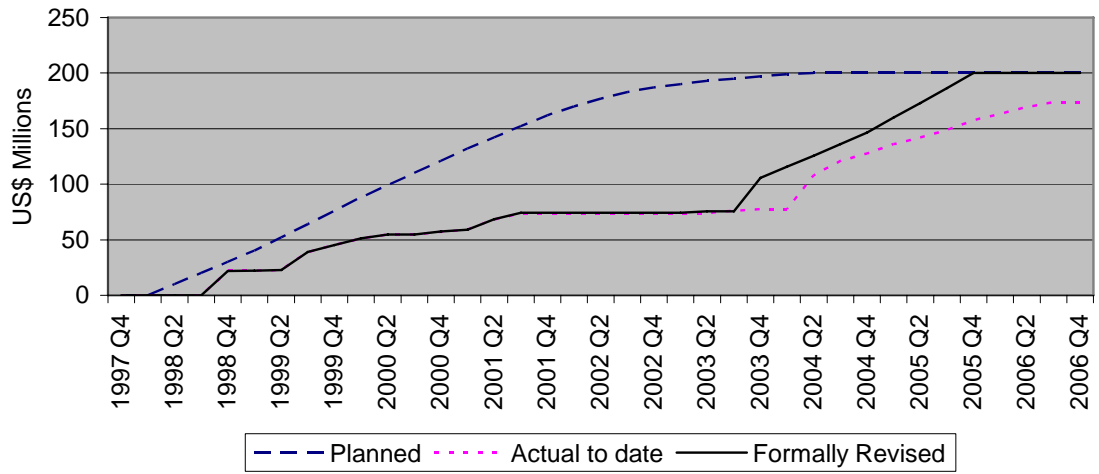
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project is expected to achieve its development objectives and is moving rapidly towards completion. Implementation during the last year has been particularly impressive, with agreed targets met or nearly met. A 6-month extension of the closing date to June 30, 2006 to will allow to consolidate crucial outcomes, most notably the completion of Line A (including signaling) and the Origin and Destination Survey (which will become the basis for future urban transport planning). As of June 30 2006, 2 road/rail crossings with grade separation have been completed and 5 more are well under construction and scheduled for completion by the end of 2006.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-41630	Effective	200.00	173.41	26.59	0.00
IBRD-P3020	Closed	1.50	0.00	0.00	1.50
JPN-29187	Closed	0.71	0.76	0.00	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Biodiversity Conservation ( P039787 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 10/21/1997

**Midterm Review Date :** 07/23/2001

**Closing Date :** 03/31/2008

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** WBTF-28372, WBTF-28464

**Sector(s):** General agriculture, fishing and forestry (82%), Central government administration (11%), Other social services (7%)

**Theme(s):** Biodiversity (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Participation and civic engagement (P), Land administration and management (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

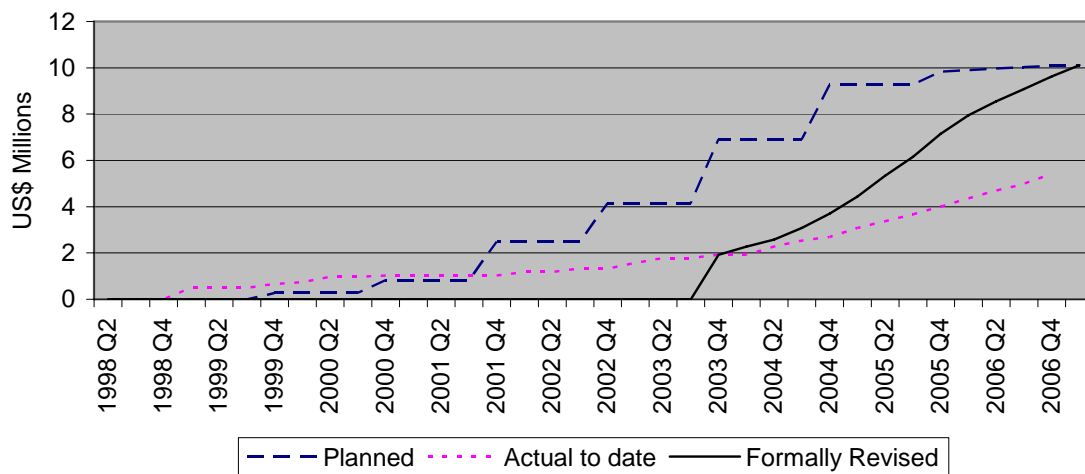
The objective is to conserve biodiversity of global importance.

### Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project continued to advance in fiscal year 2006. Activities to conserve biodiversity are underway in four of the five parks, and in the past year, project activities concentrated on management, infrastructure development, baseline biodiversity studies, and sustainable development in buffer zones. Incorporation of the fifth park has been slower than expected. Over 368,000 ha of natural areas are now protected through the project's work. The information system provides an internet database that has access to over 24,268 registered species (or varieties), 198 digital maps, and 206 photos on biodiversity themes in Argentina.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
WBTF-28372	Effective	10.10	5.41	4.69	0.00
WBTF-28464	Closed	0.29	0.29	0.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Native Forests and Protected Areas ( P040808 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 09/05/1996

**Midterm Review Date :** 10/02/2000

**Closing Date :** 03/31/2007

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-40850, IBRD-4085A, IBRD-4085S

**Sector(s):** Central government administration (47%), Roads and highways (22%), Other social services (22%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry (5%), Law and justice (4%)

**Theme(s):** Biodiversity (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Export development and competitiveness (P), Law reform (P)

### Project Development Objectives:

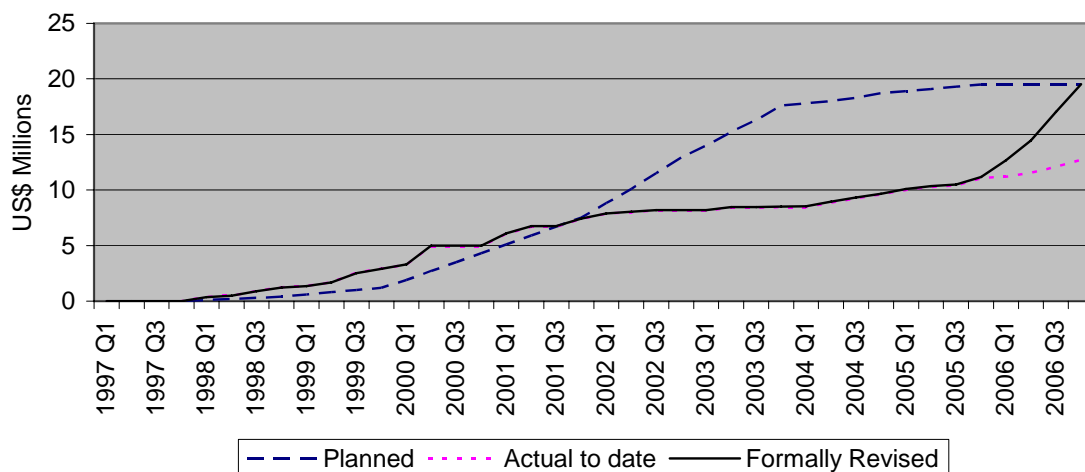
The objective is to develop a strategic approach to the protection and use of native forests.

### Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

In the past year, there was progress on the development of a strategic approach to the protection and use of native forests with the finalization of the national forest inventory, applied research, and draft legislation. Four applied research projects are complete and the legislation package for congressional review is complete. The work on protected areas has made important progress in infrastructure works in four parks in Patagonia, and in the development of a draft modernization plan for the National Parks Administration.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-40850	Effective	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
IBRD-4085A	Effective	18.59	11.81	6.79	0.00
IBRD-4085S	Effective	0.91	0.91	0.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Second Secondary Education - Province of Buenos Aires (P064614)

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 12/07/2000

**Midterm Review Date :** 12/13/2004

**Closing Date :** 03/31/2008

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-45860

**Sector(s):** Secondary education (97%), Central government administration (3%)

**Theme(s):** Education for all (P), Access to urban services and housing (P)

**Project Development Objectives:**

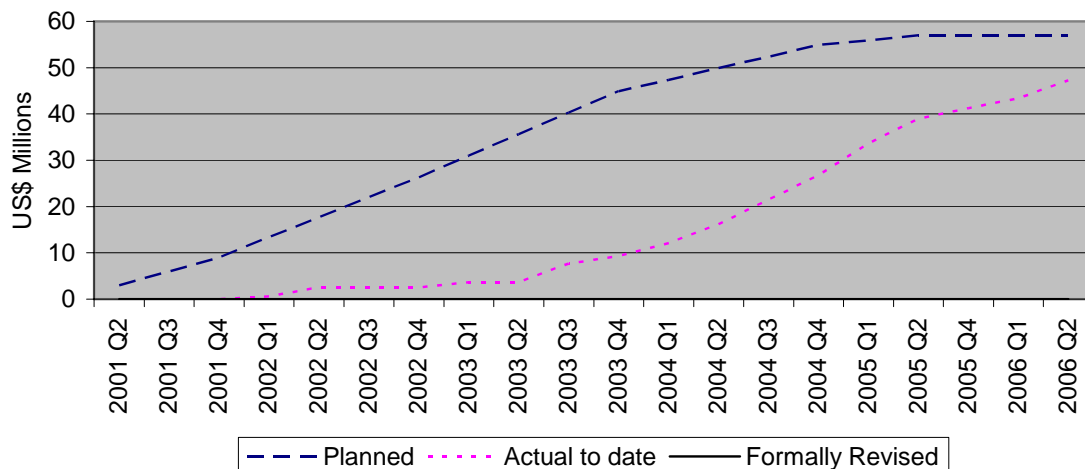
The objectives are to (a) increase access to quality education, (b) improve equity, and (c) improve school management.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

Progress toward achieving the objectives has been steady. The loan closing date has been extended to March 31, 2008 to allow for a full cycle of student evaluation (in language and mathematics). The first language and mathematics tests were done in 2005 (11.000 students), the second phase is planned for 2006 (36.000 students) and the third one coincides with the final year of Secondary school, planned for 2007 (54.000 students). An impact evaluation study on dropout, repetition and promotion rates is also planned.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-45860	Effective	56.99	47.25	9.74	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Family Strengthening and Social Capital Promotion ( P070374 )  
**Country:** Argentina  
**Board Approval Date :** 11/08/2001  
**Midterm Review Date :** 04/11/2005  
**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006  
**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-46400, IBRD-P3740  
**Sector(s):** Other social services (89%), Sub-national government administration (11%)  
**Theme(s):** Vulnerability assessment and monitoring (P), Gender (P), Population and reproductive health (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Other social development (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

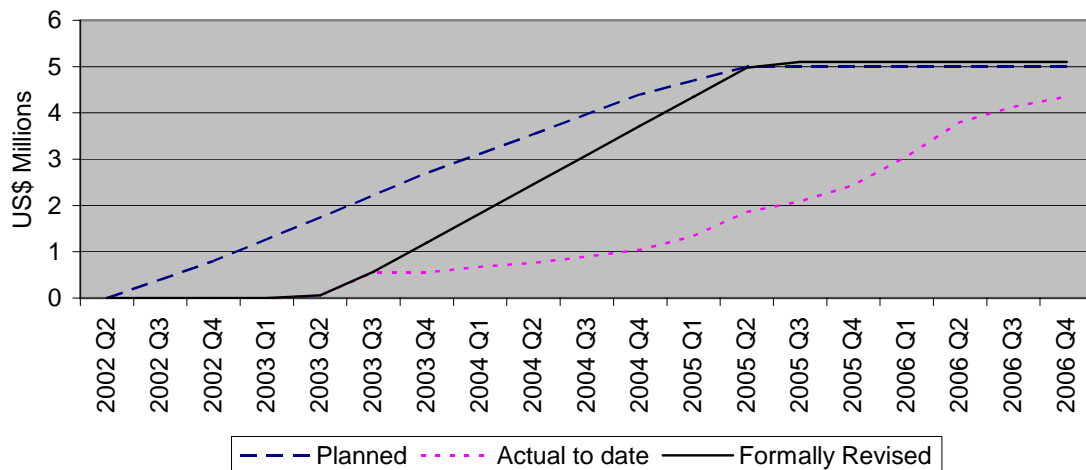
The objective is to test and monitor a social capital approach to address the vulnerability of the poor by targeting families and promoting gender equity.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project has achieved its objective. Moreover, to reflect the new challenges arising from the peso crisis, the project is also proving vital input on ways to reconstruct the Argentinean social fabric. Fondo Equidad implemented 238 sub-projects directly benefiting 11,000 people. Indirectly, 140,000 families benefited from the project. Five Argentinean Universities are performing monitoring and evaluation functions, with the indirect impact of creating local capacity to perform impacts evaluation of social programs. The project is well integrated with other governmental programs, among others in the areas of nutrition, reproductive health, violence, and income generation.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-46400	Effective	5.00	4.33	0.67	0.00
IBRD-P3740	Closed	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50



**Project Name (ID):** Subnational Government Public Sector Modernization Program (P070448 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 12/15/2005

**Midterm Review Date :** 06/30/2008

**Closing Date :** 09/30/2010

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73520

**Sector(s):** Sub-national government administration (100%)

**Theme(s):** Administrative and civil service reform (P), Municipal governance and institution building (P), Personal and property rights (S), Tax policy and administration (S), Public expenditure, financial management, and procurement (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

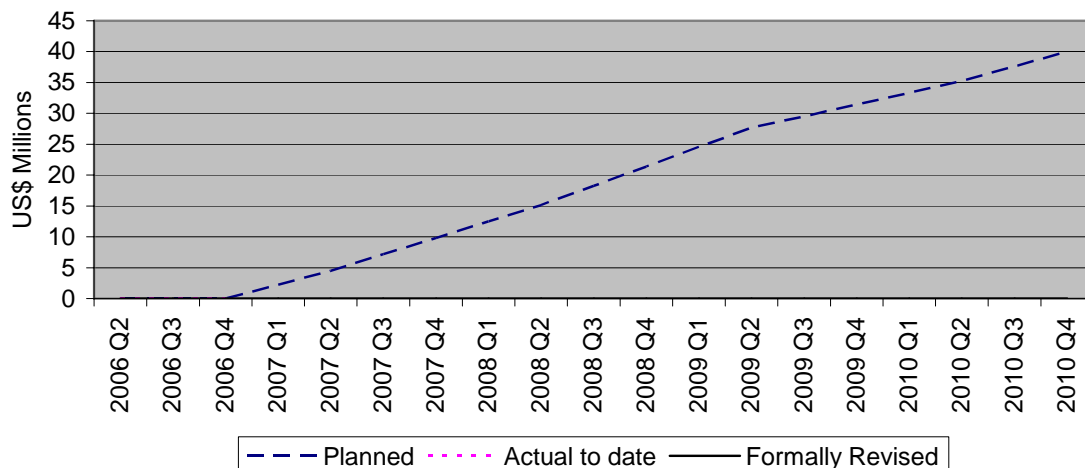
The objectives are: (a) to support the integrated development and adoption of basic management tools that are conducive to the efficient and transparent management of provincial and municipal resources; (b) to strengthen provincial governments in such key areas as those related to land tax and tax administration, human resources management, judicial services, civil registries, control entities and public safety functions; and (c) to support the strengthening of municipal governments through pilot activities designed to demonstrate the benefits of integrated modernization efforts.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73520	Not Effective	40.00	0.00	40.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Provincial Road Infrastructure ( P070628 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 06/07/2005

**Midterm Review Date :** 06/01/2009

**Closing Date :** 06/30/2012

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73010

**Sector(s):** Roads and highways (100%)

**Theme(s):** Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Non-communicable diseases and injury (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

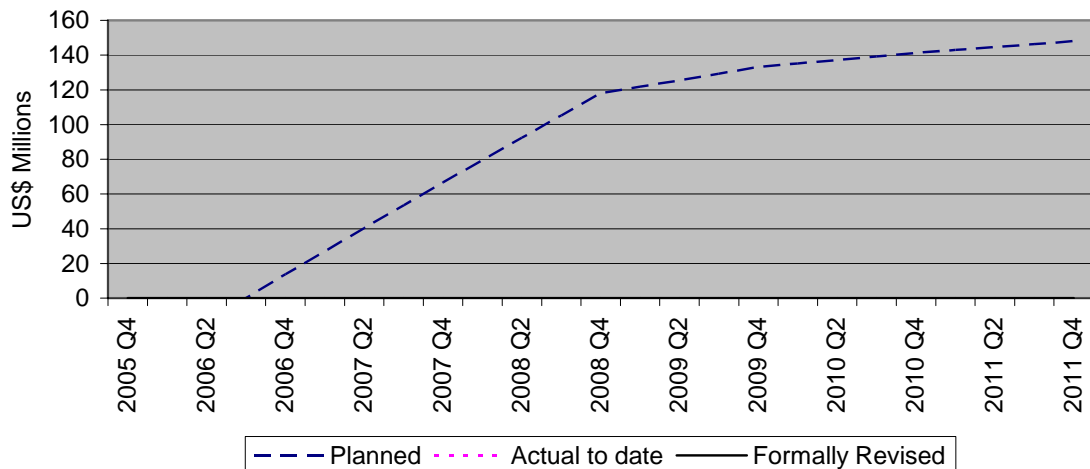
The objective is to improve the reliability of essential road assets, which facilitate access of provincial production to the markets, and the efficiency of their management.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73010	Not Effective	150.00	0.00	150.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Rural Education Improvement ( P070963 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 12/15/2005

**Closing Date :** 10/31/2011

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73530, IBRD-P4210, JPN-26841

**Sector(s):** Primary education (60%), Pre-primary education (25%), Sub-national government administration (7%), Secondary education (5%), Central government administration (3%)

**Theme(s):** Education for the knowledge economy (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Education for all (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S), Indigenous peoples (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

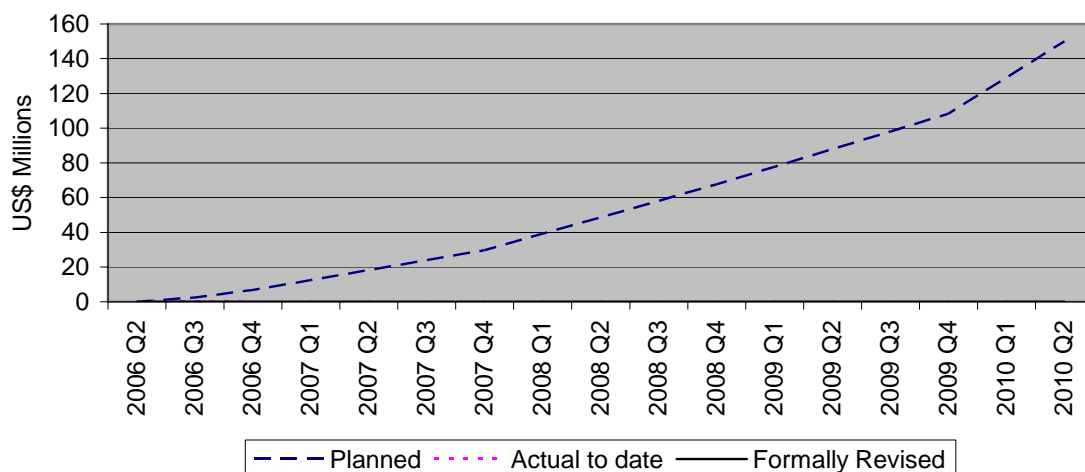
The objective is to (i) improve the coverage, efficiency, and quality of the Argentine education system; and (ii) to improve the governance of the Argentine education system through strengthening of the normative, planning, information, monitoring, and evaluation capacity at the national and provincial levels.

### Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73530	Not Effective	150.00	0.00	150.00	0.00
IBRD-P4210	Effective	1.50	0.71	0.79	0.00
JPN-26841	Closed	0.61	0.47	0.00	0.14



**Project Name (ID):** Provincial Maternal-Child Health Investment ( P071025 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 04/15/2004

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2009

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-72250, JPN-26296

**Sector(s):** Compulsory health finance (68%), Health (17%), Central government administration (9%), Sub-national government administration (3%), Other social services (3%)

**Theme(s):** Child Health (P), Health system performance (P), Population and reproductive health (P), Indigenous peoples (S), Social risk mitigation (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

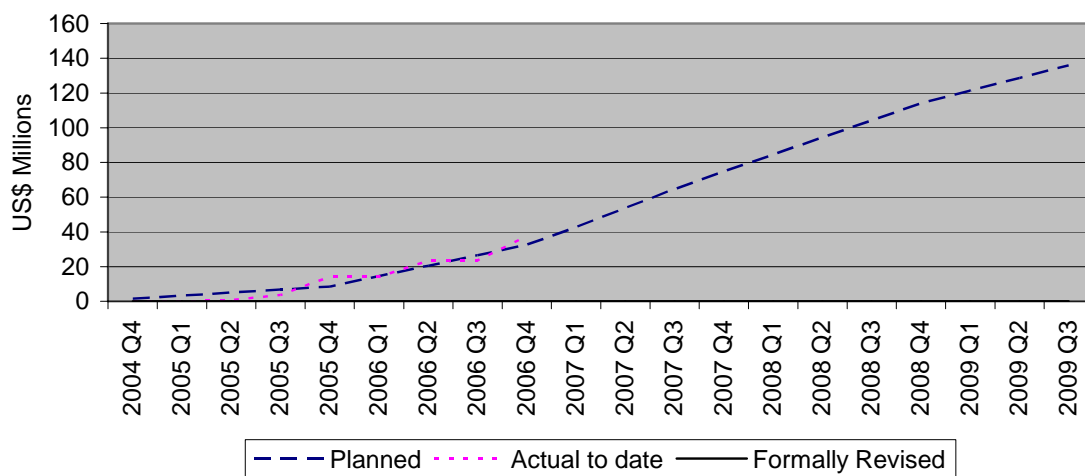
The objective is to improve access of the poor to essential health services by supporting the Maternal and Child Health Insurance Program (Plan Nacer).

### Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The program continues to show excellent implementation with 381,325 people (46.5% of eligible population) enrolled by the end of June 2006. All nine provinces (Catamarca, Salta, Jujuy, Tucuman, Santiago del Estero, Formosa, Chaco, Corrientes y Misiones) have Maternal and Child Insurance systems in place and provider contracts, payment mechanisms and the Trazadoras system (performance goals) are being implemented smoothly. APL 1 provinces implementing the Plan Nacer saw a 15% reduction in infant mortality rate.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-72250	Effective	135.80	37.54	98.26	0.00
JPN-26296	Closed	0.75	0.41	0.00	0.34



**Project Name (ID):** Provincial Maternal-Child Health Sector ( P072637 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 10/28/2003

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-71990

**Sector(s):** Health (50%), Compulsory health finance (40%), Sub-national government administration (5%), Central government administration (5%)

**Theme(s):** Health system performance (P), Child Health (P), Population and reproductive health (P), Indigenous peoples (S), Law reform (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to support the necessary institutional and policy reforms to (a) respond to the urgent health needs of the poor, particularly uninsured mothers and children; and (b) modify the incentive framework for financing and delivery of health care services, starting in Argentina's poorest provinces.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project has achieved all of its goals and target indicators for the first two tranche releases, and almost all targets of the final tranche. All nine provinces in the North-Eastern and North-Western regions of the country already created the Maternal and Child Health Insurance Program management units and the enrollment system was designed and tested in the Province of Jujuy. The Ministry of Health continues to implement key sector reforms, including the establishment of an expedited billing system from public hospitals to Social Insurance Organizations to improve targeting of public subsidies, and the inclusion of sexual and reproductive services. The Government provided resources for all priority health programs including HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment, tuberculosis prevention and treatment, essential medication programs, and other programs.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-71990	Effective	750.00	600.00	150.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Enabling Activity for 2nd National Communication of Argentine Government to the Convention on Climate Change ( P078143 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 12/18/2003

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** MULT-51287

**Sector(s):** Central government administration (100%)

**Theme(s):** Climate change (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Biodiversity (S), Other environment and natural resources management (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to produce the Second Communication to the Conference of the Parties to the Framework Convention on Climate Change with analytical work in three areas: (a) Update of Green House Gases (GHG) emission inventory; (b) evaluation of GHG mitigation opportunities; and (c) assessment of vulnerability of productive regions for changes in the climate.

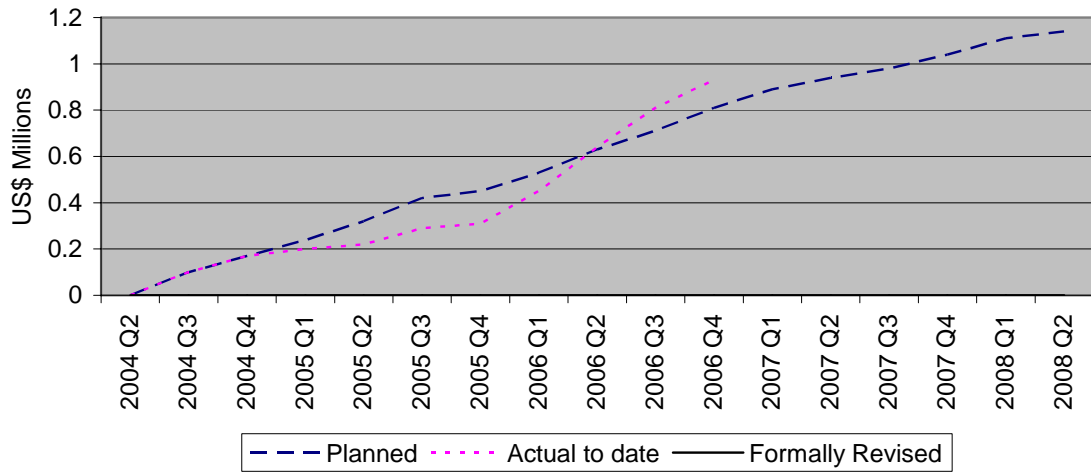
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project is entering its final stages. The greenhouse gas inventory has been completed. Regarding the assessment of vulnerability, 6 of the 9 studies have been completed, final reports for two additional studies have been received by the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and are currently under review, and the final study has been recently contracted and is expected to be finished by October 2006. With respect to the update of greenhouse gas mitigation opportunities, 3 of the 5 studies have been completed. The final reports for the remaining two studies have been received and are under review by the PIU. The consultant in charge of writing the Second National Communication (SNC) has been selected. The SNC is expected to be concluded by November 2006.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
MULT-51287	Effective	1.14	0.93	0.21	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Economic Recovery Support Structural Adjustment ( P083982 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 06/29/2004

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2006

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-72410

**Sector(s):** General public administration (30%), General industry and trade (30%), General finance (25%), General energy (10%), Other social services (5%)

**Theme(s):** Export development and competitiveness (P), Regulation and competition policy (P), Other financial and private sector development (P), Small and medium enterprise support (P), Macroeconomic management (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objectives are to address pending structural reforms in the financial and public utilities sectors, improve the investment climate, and enhance competitiveness and export potential of existing and new enterprises, particularly those of small and medium size.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the close of the reporting period

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-72410	Not Effective	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Buenos Aires Infrastructure ( P088032 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 12/07/2004

**Midterm Review Date :** 09/15/2006

**Closing Date :** 07/31/2009

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-72680

**Sector(s):** Roads and highways (55%), Sewerage (30%), Sub-national government administration (10%), Flood protection (5%)

**Theme(s):** Access to urban services and housing (P), Other urban development (P), Public expenditure, financial management, and procurement (S), Infrastructure services for private sector development (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

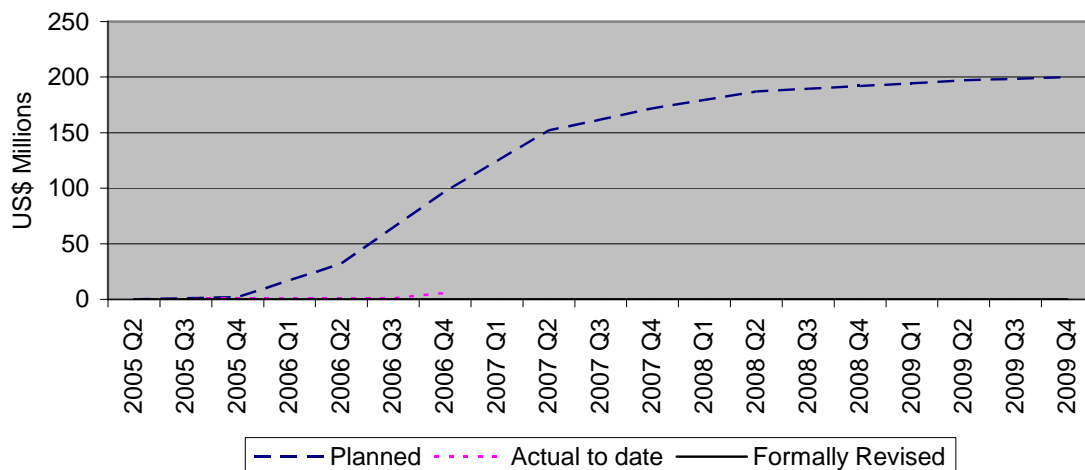
The objectives are (a) to enhance the provision of water and sewerage services for low-income people, in particular for those living in highly vulnerable areas; (b) to improve high priority segments of the road network; (c) to mitigate urban flooding; and (d) to support the reactivation of the economy and strengthen its regional competitiveness.

### Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Significant progress was made with regard to the roads component: (i) Procurement processes for most projects included in APL1 have taken place or have been initiated (480 km); (ii) 5 projects covering a total length of 97 km are under execution; (iii) 52 km of rehabilitation works have been completed. - Project development objectives are expected to be achieved by the loan closing date.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-72680	Effective	200.00	5.59	194.41	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** NATIONAL HIGHWAY ASSET MANAGEMENT ( P088153 )  
**Country:** Argentina  
**Board Approval Date :** 06/29/2004  
**Midterm Review Date :** 09/01/2006  
**Closing Date :** 12/31/2008  
**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-72420  
**Sector(s):** Roads and highways (94%), Central government administration (6%)  
**Theme(s):** Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Non-communicable diseases and injury (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to develop an efficient road network management strategy to preserve the national road network in the long term, gradually expanding the use of performance-based contracts and strengthening road sector management.

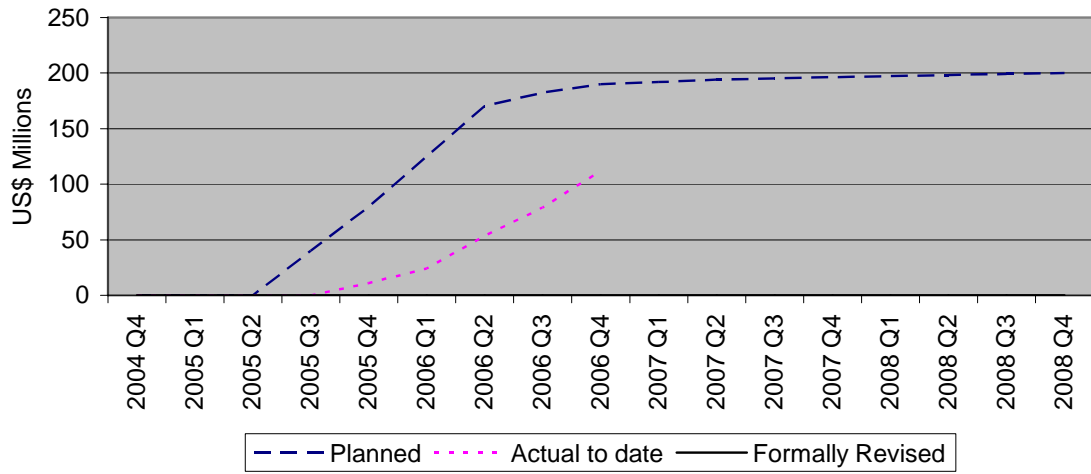
**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The National Highways Directorate (DNV) has expanded the use of performance-based rehabilitation and maintenance contracts (CREMA) and strengthened road sector management. Twenty-one CREMA contracts covering a total length of 3,600 km are in execution. New bidding processes have been launched for some additional 1,000 km. Institutional strengthening, bridge restoration and road safety components are lagging behind targets. DNV has set up a steering committee to implement institutional renewal action, and selection of a firm to carry out human resources diagnostic is underway. The design of bridge management system has been finalized and will be used to develop a prioritized bridge investment program. Selection of firms is ongoing to carry out road safety audits in three corridors and prepare designs to implement a pilot initiative

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-72420	Effective	200.00	111.93	88.07	0.00





**Project Name (ID):** Urban Flood Prevention and Drainage APL1 ( P088220 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 04/05/2005

**Midterm Review Date :** 11/03/2008

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2010

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-72890

**Sector(s):** Flood protection (94%), Sub-national government administration (4%),  
General water, sanitation and flood protection (2%)

**Theme(s):** Natural disaster management (P), Other urban development (P), Water  
resources management (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

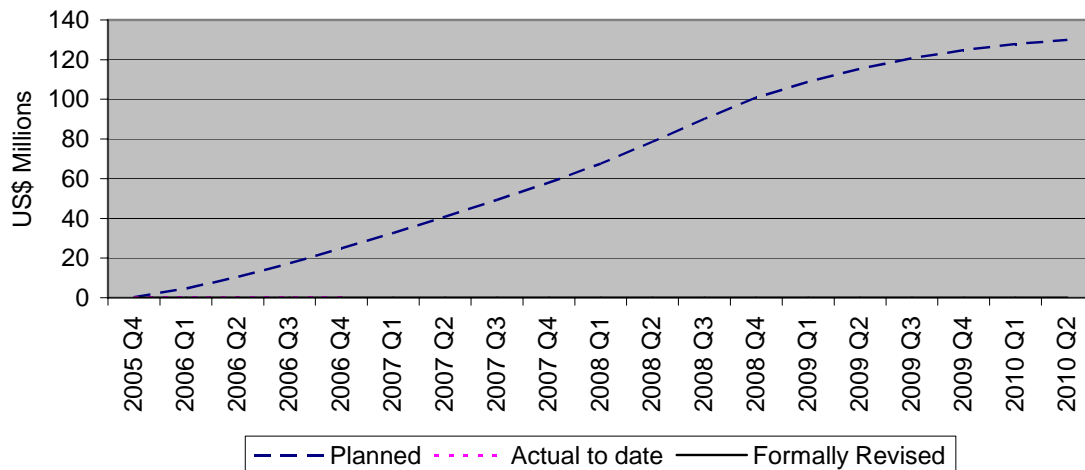
The objective is to increase the City of Buenos Aires resilience to flooding with protection of its critical infrastructure and the introduction of a risk management approach to the Government investment program

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-72890	Not Effective	123.14	0.00	123.14	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** National Urban Solid Waste Management ( P089926 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 02/28/2006

**Midterm Review Date :** 03/02/2009

**Closing Date :** 06/30/2012

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73620

**Sector(s):** Solid waste management (83%), Sub-national government administration (8%), Central government administration (6%), Other social services (3%)

**Theme(s):** Pollution management and environmental health (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Climate change (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S), Other social development (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to improve public health and quality of life by developing environmentally and financially sustainable systems for urban solid waste management in Argentina.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-73620	Not Effective	40.00	0.00	40.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Institutional Strengthening ( P092836 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 07/05/2005

**Midterm Review Date :** 06/30/2008

**Closing Date :** 03/31/2011

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73180

**Sector(s):** Central government administration (100%)

**Theme(s):** Administrative and civil service reform (P), Other public sector governance (P), Other accountability/anti-corruption (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

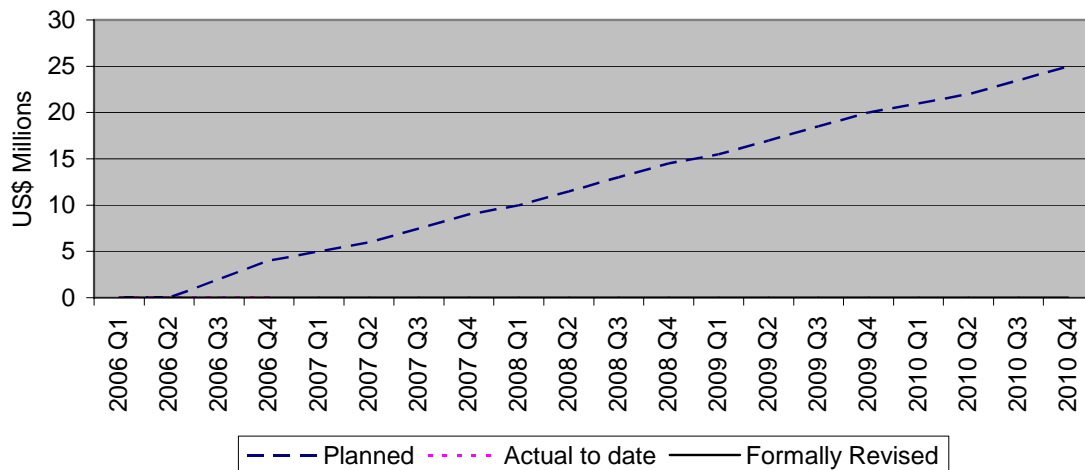
The objective is to enhance service delivery by ANSES by improving its efficiency, effectiveness, transparency and accountability through institutional reengineering, fraud and error detection, change management and greater internal and external oversight, as well as institutional strengthening of the Social Security Secretariat.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73180	Not Effective	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** Urban Flood Prevention and Drainage APL 2 ( P093491 )

**Country:** Argentina

**Board Approval Date :** 06/06/2006

**Midterm Review Date :** 06/30/2008

**Closing Date :** 03/31/2011

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IBRD-73820

**Sector(s):** Flood protection (70%), Sub-national government administration (16%), Other social services (6%), Housing construction (4%), Roads and highways (4%)

**Theme(s):** Biodiversity (P), Land administration and management (P), Water resources management (S), Improving labor markets (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to reduce Argentina's vulnerability to flooding, through a mix of structural and non structural measures providing five provincial governments (Entre Rios, Chaco, Corrientes, Santa Fe and Misiones) with tools and instruments for a risk reduction program

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

The project was not effective before the closing of the reporting period

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2006 )**

<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IBRD-73820	Not Effective	70.00	0.00	70.00	0.00

