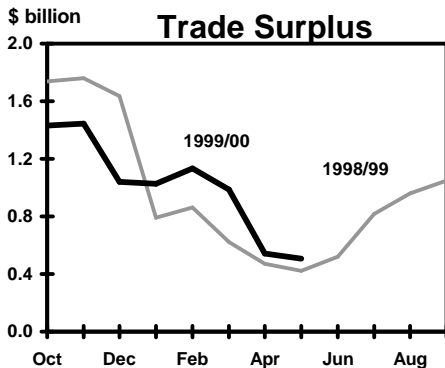


U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

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Summary—Cumulative U.S. agricultural exports in fiscal 2000 are more than \$1 billion ahead of 1999, as are year-to-date imports. The trade surplus thus far is \$200 million behind 1999's, as imports have accumulated faster than exports. The \$506-million surplus for May 2000 is the narrowest monthly figure this year, but is still \$83 million above May 1999. May exports climbed to \$4 billion, up more than \$100 million from April. May imports also rose, to \$3.5 billion, from \$3.4 billion in April.

Exports—In May, total bulk commodity exports retreated from April. High-value exports accounted for all of the increase in total export value for the month.

Among bulk commodities, only *wheat* exports are up in May. Nevertheless, cumulative wheat sales are more than \$200 million behind fiscal 1999. The steep decline in export value for wheat is due to abundant world supply and strong foreign competition, which pushed wheat prices and U.S. export volume down. Only the Mid-East, Southeast Asia, and Mexico have purchased more U.S. wheat so far in fiscal 2000. Export volume for fiscal 2000 is down sharply as well, almost 800,000 tons less than in 1999. Wheat prices in May are still below 1999's average price, the lowest over the past decade.

Year-to-date *corn* exports are down \$178 million from fiscal 1999. Like wheat, cumulative export volume for corn is 654,000 tons less than in 1999. While corn export prices have recovered a bit from 1999's average price, they remain below average prices in the 1990's. Together with May's export volume drop, low prices have kept the year-to-date corn export value below 1999. Volume shipments to South Korea and Mexico are down sharply.

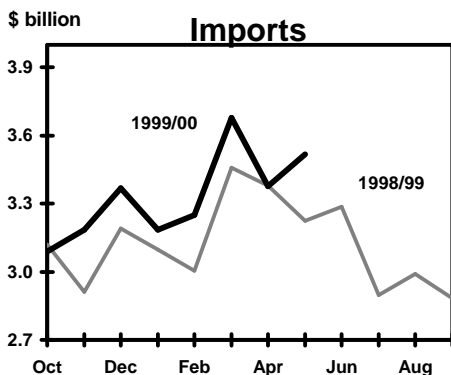
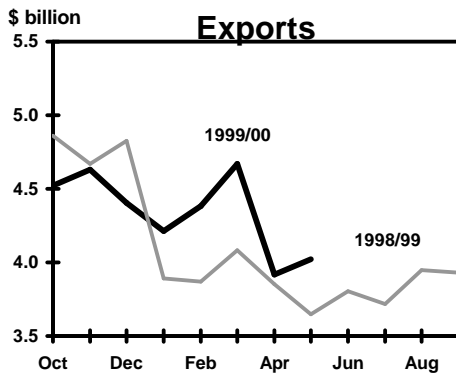
In contrast to wheat and corn, exports of *soybeans* are up a cumulative \$265 million in the current fiscal year. This gain is aided by stronger demand, which has led to the 16-percent rise in export volume, or 2.8 million tons. Soybean prices are 15 percent higher than in 1999, which were the lowest in the past decade. Among the United States' largest soybean shipments so far in fiscal 2000 are those to China, South Korea, Canada, and Egypt.

Cumulative *cotton* exports of \$1.3 billion are almost \$300 million higher than in 1999, as both volume shipments (up 448,000 tons) and prices

have risen. The larger volume shipments are largely to Turkey, Southeast Asia, and Latin America. Cotton prices, while somewhat higher than last year, are hardly better than the past decade's lows in 1992-93.

The more than \$1-billion export gain in *high-value products* (HVP) thus far in 2000 is attributed to impressive sales gains by red meats (up \$832 million), hides and skins (up \$174 million), poultry (up \$146 million), and vegetables (up \$107 million). The only year-to-date decline in sales is in tree nuts, down \$109 million from 1999. Better economic conditions in Japan and Russia and robust growth in Mexico and South Korea have helped keep demand for U.S. HVP's relatively healthy.

Imports—The steady rise of U.S. agricultural imports in the 1990's continues, attested to by the \$1.3-billion gain so far in fiscal 2000. Cumulative imports of \$27 billion result largely from the sharp gains in competitive imports—animal products (up \$773 million, or 17 percent), wine and malt beverages (up \$286 million, or 11 percent), and cashew nuts (up \$112 million, or 53 percent). Year-to-date imports are largest from Canada, the European Union, Australia, and Mexico. [Andy Jerardo, 202-694-5323]



California led State agricultural exports again in fiscal 1999—With the overall decline in exports experienced in fiscal 1999, estimated exports from nearly all of the top 10 agricultural exporting States also dropped. Kansas and Washington State were the exceptions, showing export gains of 1 and 6 percent.

California continued as the leading export State with exports of \$6.9 billion, down 9 percent from fiscal 1998 and equal to the national drop. California accounted for nearly half of all U.S. vegetable exports and continued to be the State leader in exports of fruits, tree nuts, and seeds, as well.

Iowa continued to rank second in State exports in 1999. Weak soybean and cotton exports that year pushed Illinois and Texas down to fifth and sixth, respectively. Nebraska came in third and Kansas moved up to fourth.

Iowa again led in exports of feed grains and soybeans. Nebraska led in four categories of exports—live animals and meat, feeds and fodders, hides and skins, and animal fats. Kansas remained the leader in wheat exports. [Carol Whitton, 202-694-5287]

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Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Quantity and unit	October-May				May			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Total agricultural exports (NA)	0	0	33,699,225	34,754,449	0	0	3,648,538	4,022,267
Animals & animal prods (NA)	0	0	6,611,347	7,889,132	0	0	768,677	974,467
Animals live - ex poultry (NA)	0	0	399,422	498,259	0	0	29,744	37,431
Cattle & calves - live (NO)	192	332	100,505	182,247	22	28	9,820	11,562
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	58	66	245,680	271,568	6	6	14,002	19,396
Swine - live (NO)	229	71	19,319	10,005	16	5	1,592	847
Sheep, live (NO)	342	256	13,708	11,994	43	33	1,690	1,464
Other live animals (NA)	0	0	20,210	22,445	0	0	2,640	4,162
Meats & meat prods (MT)	1,345	1,679	2,886,347	3,718,270	167	211	352,317	470,815
Beef & veal (MT)	499	586	1,616,521	2,114,442	57	70	193,549	257,639
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	485	572	1,566,600	2,065,680	56	68	188,294	251,004
Beef - prep or pres (MT)	13	13	49,921	48,761	2	2	5,254	6,635
Horsemeat-fr, chill, froz (MT)	7	7	22,753	22,141	1	1	2,779	2,471
Lamb,mutton or goat-fr,ch,frz(MT)	2	2	5,955	4,043	0	0	607	282
Pork (MT)	254	329	639,796	876,362	32	35	83,157	108,839
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	228	295	577,519	792,174	28	33	74,959	100,810
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	25	34	62,277	84,189	3	3	8,197	8,028
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	314	404	432,158	506,508	37	59	49,867	73,290
Other meats - fr or prep (MT)	269	351	169,164	194,774	40	46	22,358	28,294
Poultry & poultry prods (NA)	0	0	1,336,726	1,482,602	0	0	152,112	164,558
Poultry - live (NA)	40,264	32,166	77,821	67,166	4,236	4,207	9,754	7,095
Baby chicks (NO)	32,945	25,173	67,188	58,029	3,380	3,214	8,755	6,064
Other live poultry (NA)	7,320	6,992	10,633	9,137	856	993	999	1,031
Poultry meats (MT)	1,526	1,883	1,124,573	1,288,901	179	210	127,098	142,309
Chickens - fr or froz (MT)	1,371	1,703	885,843	1,016,340	162	195	102,094	116,879
Turkeys - fr or froz (MT)	100	121	104,734	129,838	11	10	11,108	9,593
Other poultry - fr or froz (MT)	5	5	8,102	8,541	1	0	911	663
Poultry meats-prep or pres(MT)	51	54	125,894	134,182	5	6	12,985	15,175
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	2	3	9,548	12,857	0	0	1,799	1,648
Eggs (NA)	0	0	124,785	113,678	0	0	13,461	13,505
Dairy prods (NA)	0	0	599,346	689,217	0	0	77,356	79,135
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	3	5	2,737	3,364	0	1	106	464
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	56	113	80,910	156,643	6	5	8,116	6,316
Butter & anhyd milkfat (MT)	1	1	2,111	2,548	0	0	213	122
Cheese (MT)	24	28	80,142	85,857	3	3	10,385	10,072
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	0	0	81,220	101,504	0	0	9,305	14,636
Other dairy prods (NA)	0	0	352,226	339,301	0	0	49,231	47,525
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	980	799	406,429	307,139	111	106	43,344	36,457
Lard (MT)	49	68	23,899	30,933	4	5	2,100	2,578
Tallow - inedible (MT)	669	530	262,662	175,604	77	77	27,569	23,353
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	262	201	119,868	100,602	30	24	13,675	10,525
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	0	0	737,245	911,195	0	0	86,906	150,408
Bovine hides - whole (NO)	11,747	13,798	553,497	720,914	1,503	2,239	68,777	124,441
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	0	0	36,525	27,184	0	0	4,044	2,573
Calf skins, whole (PC)	1,039	842	19,843	19,571	120	162	2,585	5,505
Horse hides, whole (PC)	59	209	1,547	7,350	4	49	100	2,110
Sheep and lamb skins (PC)	0	0	4,880	10,115	0	0	645	1,613
Other hides & skins,ex furs(NA)	5,511	5,639	34,762	35,435	469	771	2,957	4,784
Furskins (NA)	0	0	86,192	90,625	0	0	7,798	9,382
Mink pelts (NO)	2,948	2,986	67,541	71,810	251	315	6,085	6,430
Other furskins (NA)	0	0	18,651	18,815	0	0	1,713	2,952
Wool & mohair (MT)	2	3	12,413	14,258	0	1	1,708	2,355
Sausage casings (MT)	14	16	45,933	45,340	1	2	5,305	6,530
Bull semen (NA)	0	0	41,921	40,630	0	0	4,911	4,736
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	0	0	145,565	182,223	0	0	14,975	22,042
Grains & feeds (MT)	67,304	67,318	9,504,817	9,122,451	7,980	8,003	1,074,382	1,104,319
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	17,972	17,212	2,332,887	2,118,416	2,304	2,389	294,461	288,910
Wheat flour (MT)	541	584	116,046	86,680	37	24	6,534	4,968
Bulqur wheat (MT)	11	4	1,916	947	1	1	246	191
Other wheat prods (MT)	56	70	54,245	63,168	6	9	5,778	7,273
Rice-paddy, milled, parb. (MT)	2,357	2,377	779,270	680,031	156	174	50,506	46,321
Feed grains & prods (MT)	37,031	37,344	3,778,554	3,677,376	4,317	4,214	436,343	446,297
Feed grains (MT)	36,570	36,917	3,635,313	3,543,015	4,265	4,164	420,668	431,384
Barley (MT)	333	390	42,400	50,979	41	39	4,326	5,883
Corn (MT)	32,623	31,969	3,242,245	3,064,531	3,835	3,654	379,160	378,705
Grain sorghums (MT)	3,599	4,539	348,785	425,282	388	469	36,961	46,489
Oats (MT)	14	12	1,852	1,597	2	2	216	242
Rye (MT)	0	6	31	627	0	1	4	65
Feed grain prods (MT)	462	426	143,241	134,361	51	50	15,675	14,913
Popcorn (MT)	65	67	41,603	41,959	8	9	4,628	4,843
Blended food prods (MT)	190	200	53,061	51,325	8	27	1,932	6,730
Other grain prods (MT)	704	684	753,157	762,647	65	82	85,428	93,595
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	8,376	8,777	1,594,078	1,639,903	1,078	1,074	188,526	205,192
Corn by-products (MT)	3,879	3,899	395,981	399,158	515	460	51,371	44,079
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	191	159	28,047	25,466	18	17	2,595	2,806
Beet pulp (MT)	404	461	47,763	54,503	46	30	4,769	3,601
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	553	681	46,612	47,175	93	86	7,286	6,394
Other feeds & fodders (MT)	3,349	3,578	1,075,674	1,113,601	406	481	122,505	148,312
Fruits & prep, ex juice (MT)	1,989	2,003	1,610,122	1,629,092	219	253	207,077	238,862
Fruits - fr (MT)	1,661	1,709	1,128,362	1,200,383	181	217	150,856	188,213
Fruits - fr - citrus (MT)	724	846	420,194	480,344	63	92	40,899	53,578
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	397	354	202,282	188,315	22	15	12,099	7,985
Lemons & limes - fresh (MT)	91	81	62,851	58,740	12	9	8,457	5,552
Oranges & tangerines-fresh(MT)	234	409	153,288	231,134	29	68	20,264	39,939

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Other citrus - fresh (MT)	2	3	1,774	2,155	0	0	79	103
Fruits - fr - noncitrus (MT)	937	863	708,167	720,039	118	125	109,957	134,634
Apples - fresh (MT)	529	402	297,293	235,914	50	37	28,010	22,801
Berries - fresh (MT)	40	48	70,720	85,944	13	13	19,698	20,036
Cherries - fresh (MT)	8	10	29,608	49,069	4	7	25,638	44,029
Grapes - fresh (MT)	115	135	148,299	175,178	5	6	10,755	11,857
Melons - fresh (MT)	85	94	35,860	39,898	31	37	10,434	11,568
Peaches - fresh (MT)	9	17	9,364	16,774	3	9	4,087	9,884
Pears - fresh (MT)	110	114	65,125	66,013	6	8	3,651	4,300
Plums - fresh (MT)	9	6	8,651	7,039	1	1	747	1,248
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	33	36	43,248	44,210	5	7	6,937	8,910
Fruits - dried (MT)	144	116	268,223	222,309	16	14	31,228	24,709
Raisins - dried (MT)	74	49	135,660	92,107	8	6	16,826	9,710
Prunes - dried (MT)	49	46	95,755	91,477	5	5	10,755	9,286
Other dried fruits (MT)	21	21	36,808	38,726	2	4	3,647	5,713
Fruits - canned ex juice (MT)	104	99	100,505	93,863	12	12	11,577	11,746
Fruits - froz ex juice (MT)	29	24	43,057	35,378	4	3	5,110	4,776
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	52	54	69,975	77,158	6	7	8,306	9,418
Fruit juices incl froz (HL)	7,613	7,821	468,296	458,999	1,333	1,239	76,329	68,115
Apple juice (HL)	232	241	28,326	28,438	35	22	4,758	2,828
Grape juice (HL)	618	519	46,714	43,891	74	85	6,045	6,994
Grapefruit juice (HL)	548	697	34,656	41,024	89	141	5,349	8,142
Orange juice (HL)	3,547	3,810	201,685	190,486	642	660	34,568	29,137
Other fruit juices (HL)	2,668	2,554	156,915	155,160	494	331	25,610	21,014
Wine (HL)	1,595	1,723	328,556	336,032	258	220	49,471	42,477
Nuts & prep (MT)	365	409	912,016	803,252	38	45	83,052	82,767
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	132	143	495,020	368,975	14	13	42,862	37,188
Filberts (MT)	8	10	14,434	16,910	0	1	1,017	1,454
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	125	152	126,305	148,434	16	22	15,698	20,788
Pistachios (MT)	20	13	75,976	59,152	2	1	5,876	6,010
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	57	54	125,994	118,452	3	3	8,409	7,504
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	6	7	32,293	36,127	1	1	4,195	4,286
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	19	31	41,994	55,202	2	4	4,996	5,537
Vegetables & prep (NA)	0	0	2,910,339	3,016,896	0	0	363,566	384,361
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	1,238	1,337	735,654	785,777	200	204	113,150	123,217
Asparagus - fresh (MT)	15	16	41,490	45,102	3	3	8,401	8,092
Broccoli - fresh (MT)	112	123	70,982	83,432	17	20	9,616	15,420
Carrots - fresh (MT)	84	80	46,659	42,979	18	16	9,372	7,606
Cabbage - fresh (MT)	32	33	12,865	14,458	5	6	2,092	2,608
Celery - fresh (MT)	91	85	28,797	36,575	12	11	4,253	5,982
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	67	53	45,414	35,838	10	7	5,944	5,060
Corn, sweet - fresh (MT)	25	25	11,330	10,967	9	9	3,753	3,211
Cucumbers - fresh (MT)	17	17	9,403	10,234	3	3	1,428	1,354
Garlic - fresh (MT)	5	5	7,666	6,162	0	0	578	457
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	235	238	116,424	128,661	36	34	17,488	20,822
Mushrooms - fresh (MT)	5	4	11,834	11,107	1	1	1,038	1,028
Onions and shallots-fresh (MT)	142	207	51,091	58,198	15	14	5,721	4,986
Peppers - fresh (MT)	47	47	39,911	46,741	7	7	6,834	6,172
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	132	157	46,172	49,199	35	39	11,426	10,896
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	94	103	84,295	83,428	14	18	11,211	13,980
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	134	143	111,321	122,695	16	17	13,995	15,544
Vegetables - froz (MT)	463	456	361,325	358,177	52	59	41,369	45,901
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	49	47	41,311	39,599	6	6	5,077	5,266
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	333	326	244,327	240,082	36	41	27,125	30,432
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	81	83	75,687	78,496	10	11	9,167	10,203
Vegetables - canned (MT)	274	290	230,407	239,079	30	33	26,455	27,843
Pulses (MT)	405	354	200,749	175,892	40	27	20,257	13,327
Dried beans (MT)	281	235	154,663	131,237	30	19	16,242	9,834
Dried peas (MT)	83	72	30,312	24,982	6	3	1,915	1,493
Dried lentils (MT)	41	47	15,774	19,673	5	5	2,100	2,000
Hops, incl hop ext (MT)	6	8	60,913	68,616	1	1	5,602	5,722
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	0	0	1,321,291	1,389,355	0	0	156,733	168,351
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	25,164	27,499	6,309,672	6,262,657	1,674	1,829	443,046	476,122
Oilcake & meal (MT)	4,770	4,981	787,262	901,602	376	396	61,038	74,035
Bran, hulls, legum. veg. (MT)	323	273	24,374	19,855	23	39	1,903	2,660
Corn oilcake & meal (MT)	54	46	5,457	4,558	1	7	74	658
Soybean meal (MT)	4,243	4,544	735,673	858,047	333	330	56,007	67,655
Other oilcake & meal (MT)	151	119	21,758	19,142	21	20	3,054	3,062
Oilseeds (MT)	18,467	21,020	4,173,504	4,421,025	1,131	1,304	259,731	310,899
Rapeseed (MT)	160	92	38,641	21,472	13	4	3,293	998
Safflower seeds (MT)	24	32	6,741	11,873	0	11	63	3,924
Soybeans (MT)	17,572	20,374	3,697,181	3,962,161	1,032	1,240	205,052	261,457
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	167	115	78,254	61,730	9	8	6,389	5,477
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	29	34	23,689	26,850	2	3	1,711	2,424
Other oilseeds (MT)	422	284	94,544	69,601	62	27	12,562	7,406
Protein substances (MT)	93	90	234,454	267,338	12	12	30,661	29,213
Vegetable oils (MT)	1,927	1,498	1,348,906	940,030	167	129	122,277	91,188
Soybean oil (MT)	835	469	493,530	210,530	41	22	23,208	10,855
Cottonseed oil (MT)	35	43	23,432	24,507	3	3	1,699	2,160
Sunflower oil (MT)	256	203	157,758	110,912	18	6	10,847	3,688
Corn oil (MT)	324	293	246,321	185,117	55	45	40,337	26,936
Peanut oil (MT)	4	6	3,455	4,414	1	0	435	178
Rapeseed oil (MT)	97	92	57,707	39,693	6	7	3,303	4,757
Safflower oil (MT)	32	11	31,873	12,449	4	3	4,191	3,027

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Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	345	381	334,830	352,410	38	43	38,257	39,586
Tobacco - unmfq (MT)	165	138	1,103,979	940,834	22	16	165,632	113,873
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	40	30	326,866	243,663	13	9	108,467	71,914
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	90	68	612,486	495,852	6	3	44,478	19,556
Other tobacco - unmfq (MT)	36	40	164,627	201,318	3	5	12,687	22,403
Cotton, ex linters (MT)	669	1,092	1,010,504	1,301,477	56	143	78,183	183,604
Cotton linters (MT)	24	49	9,197	16,152	4	5	1,466	1,509
Essential oils (MT)	30	34	340,761	367,414	4	4	47,024	49,355
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	424	548	630,198	600,037	46	50	41,684	37,204
Sugar & tropical prods (NA)	0	0	949,363	1,031,454	0	0	119,856	126,822
Sugar & related prods (NA)	0	0	387,963	411,756	0	0	51,598	54,672
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	117	90	40,916	28,959	12	7	4,370	2,623
Related sugar prods (NA)	0	0	347,047	382,796	0	0	47,228	52,049
Coffee (MT)	33	40	153,260	166,045	4	5	20,260	23,391
Cocoa (MT)	26	34	56,624	72,822	3	3	6,390	7,198
Chocolate & prep (MT)	64	79	196,500	231,577	8	9	22,712	23,434
Tea & mate (MT)	19	16	78,203	66,640	3	2	8,942	8,285
Spices (MT)	21	23	47,842	53,515	3	3	6,789	5,544
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	18	16	27,127	28,014	2	3	3,058	4,100
Fibers ex cotton (MT)	2	1	1,843	1,085	0	0	106	197
Other misc veg prods (MT)	0	0	282,168	298,141	0	0	35,107	36,028
Nursery & greenhouse prods (NA)	0	0	225,632	215,180	0	0	24,782	22,839
Beverages ex juices (NA)	0	0	492,259	465,251	0	0	69,205	79,540
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	0	0	9,908,230	9,114,576	0	0	1,159,492	1,117,507
Fertilizers (MT)	7	7	2,113,086	1,619,121	1	0	251,763	214,818
Nitrogen (MT)	3	4	2,105,054	1,613,732	0	0	250,006	214,524
Phosphate (MT)	4	3	8,032	5,389	1	0	1,757	293
Fish & shellfish (MT)	0	0	1,639,757	1,812,217	0	0	188,400	204,211
Fish - fr or prep (MT)	0	0	856,817	947,999	0	0	97,254	122,017
Shellfish (MT)	0	0	473,587	510,552	0	0	34,046	52,079
Other fish prods (MT)	149	168	309,353	353,666	24	16	57,100	30,116
Aq chemicals (MT)	222	197	1,204,307	1,125,369	28	25	154,824	138,847
Fungicides (MT)	25	19	130,035	106,279	3	3	18,918	15,680
Herbicides (MT)	103	107	581,605	577,281	13	13	73,396	65,112
Insecticides (MT)	46	42	308,652	274,902	8	6	40,548	38,865
Other pesticides (MT)	49	29	184,015	166,907	3	4	21,962	19,189
Farm machinery (NA)	0	0	2,133,750	2,050,852	0	0	266,248	256,861
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	32	28	828,074	717,565	4	4	107,552	97,446
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	0	0	1,305,675	1,333,287	0	0	158,696	159,415
Tobacco - mfg (NA)	0	0	2,817,330	2,507,017	0	0	298,256	302,770

Tables contain preliminary data. NA = Not available. Zeros in quantity columns indicate none or less than 500 units.

Table 2- Leading markets in fiscal 1999 and 2000 and April 2000 (metric tons)

Wheat	Oct-May	Oct-May	May	Cotton	Oct-May	Oct-May	May
	1998/99	1999/00	2000		1998/99	1999/00	2000
Egypt	3,206,801	2,860,717	282,089	Japan	10,057,641	10,091,861	1,317,882
Japan	2,257,203	2,185,754	312,884	China (Taiwan)	2,898,120	3,554,097	345,687
Philippines	925,319	1,366,436	201,420	Mexico	3,874,234	3,266,099	904,783
Mexico	1,026,182	1,196,079	95,328	Egypt	2,039,415	2,046,208	0
South Korea	1,120,480	1,059,451	148,286	South Korea	4,210,046	1,922,569	57,540
European Union	900,435	901,942	81,452	Colombia	1,012,475	1,192,812	170,679
China (Taiwan)	608,191	693,209	73,598	Saudi Arabia	718,771	793,918	81,625
Nigeria	772,291	674,762	82,307	Venezuela	892,093	650,696	85,848
Israel	488,119	522,269	98,532	Dominican Republic	507,987	633,172	85,650
Colombia	376,271	434,237	57,667	Turkey	380,743	593,404	74,361
World	17,971,568	17,212,282	2,388,921	World	32,623,152	31,969,104	3,654,066
Soybeans	Oct-May	Oct-May	May	Cotton	Oct-May	Oct-May	May
	1998/99	1999/00	2000		1998/99	1999/00	2000
European Union	5,714,818	6,554,679	19,426	Mexico	194,881	233,265	31,432
China (Mainland)	1,251,078	2,865,804	96,249	Turkey	6,328	147,092	20,620
Japan	2,791,591	2,711,341	252,140	Indonesia	35,609	100,855	10,534
Mexico	2,272,740	2,258,122	264,218	China (Taiwan)	42,917	87,432	10,486
China (Taiwan)	1,538,629	1,557,539	175,213	Japan	68,942	68,649	10,882
South Korea	933,568	1,062,532	175,014	Brazil	80	59,503	4,982
Indonesia	643,617	715,365	0	Hong Kong	48,164	55,632	6,253
Thailand	541,266	654,356	0	South Korea	55,640	49,138	5,129
Israel	351,611	349,125	66,637	Thailand	12,099	46,082	5,057
Canada	134,283	268,652	15,406	Canada	44,999	38,639	5,552
World	17,572,099	20,373,958	1,239,944	World	668,753	1,091,899	143,434

California Again Led State Exports in Fiscal 1999

Fiscal 1999 U.S. agricultural exports dropped \$4.6 billion from fiscal 1998. Continued weak demand, particularly from Asian countries, Brazil, and the New Independent States (NIS), as well as large global supplies, strong foreign competition, and low prices pushed exports down for the third consecutive year. Cotton, soybeans, and poultry showed the greatest declines in 1999, but nearly all commodity groups suffered. Low prices and weak demand accounted for much of the drop in cotton and soybeans. Poultry continued to be reduced due to depressed Russian demand. Soybeans slipped to the second largest export commodity, being replaced as number one by feed grains and products, one of the few commodities to show growth for the year. Exports of feed grains and products rose 7 percent to \$6.8 billion, while soybeans and products dropped nearly 28 percent to \$6.5 billion. Cotton exports dropped 48 percent to \$1.3 billion, and poultry fell 24 percent to \$2.1 billion.

Estimated exports from nearly all of the top 10 States declined, the exceptions being Kansas and Washington, which increased exports by 1 and 6 percent. California continued to lead State agricultural exports, with exports of \$6.9 billion, 45 percent above those of Iowa at number two. Arkansas slipped out of the top 10 agricultural exporting States, and Wisconsin took its place. Weak soybean and cotton exports pushed Illinois and Texas down to fifth and sixth ranked exporting States. Nebraska and Kansas moved up to third and fourth. Exports of the top 10 States accounted for 56 percent of total U.S. agricultural export value, maintaining the same proportion of total exports as in 1998. In 1999, only the top 16 States, one less than in 1998 and two less than in 1997, exported more than \$1 billion of agricultural products.

The drop in California's estimated agricultural exports equaled the 9-percent national decline. Cotton, fruit, and tree nuts, three of California's most important export crops, showed the largest declines, falling by \$100-\$200 million each. But vegetables, California's biggest agricultural export, remained at \$1.9 billion, fractionally more than in 1998. With the declines in its other important agricultural exports, California's vegetable exports accounted for 28 percent of all its 1999 exports, a larger share than in 1998. And California again accounted for nearly half of all U.S. vegetable exports. California is the State leader in exports of vegetables, fruits, tree nuts, and seeds. California ranks second after Texas in exports of cotton.

At \$3.2 billion, Iowa remained the second largest agricultural exporter in fiscal 1999. Iowa again led in exports of feed grains and soybeans, accounting for 17 and 18 percent shares of total U.S. exports of these products. A \$420-million decline in Iowa's 1999 soybean exports was partially offset by a \$120-million increase in its feed grain exports. Together, exports of feed grains and soybeans still accounted for 75 percent of all exports from Iowa.

In 1999, Nebraska ranked third, with \$2.9 billion in agricultural exports, virtually the same as the State's 1998 agricultural exports. Nebraska continued to be the leading State exporter of live animals and meat, feeds and fodders, hides and skins, and animal fats. The State's exports of live animals increased in 1999, while exports of feeds, hides, and animal fats all declined.

With \$2.8 billion in estimated fiscal 1999 agricultural exports, Kansas rose to fourth-ranked State, up from its sixth rank in 1998. Kansas remained the leading wheat export State, with \$806 million in 1999, accounting for 21 percent of total U.S. wheat exports. Kansas ranked second to Nebraska in exports of live animals and meat, hides and skins, and animal fats.

Illinois, the fifth-ranked 1999 agricultural export State, exported \$2.75 billion, 10 percent less than in 1998. Despite the sharp drop in soybean exports, Illinois continued to be the second largest exporting State for feed grains and products, as well as soybeans and products. It accounted for 14 and 17 percent shares of total U.S. exports of these products.

The sixth ranked export State in 1999 was Texas. Agricultural exports from Texas dropped sharply to just \$2.5 billion, compared with \$3 billion in 1998. Cotton was responsible for much of this decline. Exports of cotton from Texas fell \$354 million, a 51-percent drop. Nevertheless, Texas remained the leading State in exports of both cotton and cottonseed.

Minnesota, Washington, Indiana, and Wisconsin account for the remaining 4 of the top 10 export States in 1999. Of these States, Wisconsin led U.S. exports of dairy products, accounting for approximately a quarter of total U.S. dairy exports. Minnesota was also an important exporter of dairy products, as well as soybeans and products. Washington was the second largest vegetable exporter and the third largest exporter of fruits. And, Indiana was a relatively large exporter of both soybeans and feed grains.

Although not among the top 10 exporting States in 1999, Georgia remained the largest poultry and peanut exporting State. Arkansas again was the largest exporter of rice; North Carolina the leader in exports of tobacco; and, North Dakota again led exports of sunflowerseeds and oil.

Methodology

The Economic Research Service (ERS) estimates export shares based on a State's share of production of the exported commodities. The estimated export value for each State should not be interpreted as an actual measurement of a State's export. ERS uses the Bureau of Census merchandise export data, which are reported on a free-alongside-ship (f.a.s.) basis. The Census export data are reported by the customs district, which can vary in size from a single port to several States. Frequently, no State of origin is reported in this data set. An agricultural commodity is likely to pass through several States before being exported, and the State of origin often is lost as commodities move from farmgate to port. Further, each commodity shipment may be mixed with other lots of the same commodity in the shipping process or at the port.

Other estimates of U.S. State export shares are based primarily on port data. Compared with ERS' estimates, those estimates tend to inflate the relative export shares of port States and undercount the shares of inland States, where many agricultural commodities originate.

The export estimates are based on the National Agricultural Statistics Services' crop and livestock production and slaughter estimates. In some cases, supplemental data, such as the Census of Agriculture, 1997, and the Department of Commerce's estimates for Exports from Manufacturing Establishments: 1990 and 1991 are used to refine export share estimates. Data for earlier years are revised to reflect production data revisions. (Carol Whitton, 202-694-5287)

The detailed commodity breakdown by State is available as a special article in the Agricultural Trade Briefing Room on ERS' web site: <http://www.ers.usda.gov>. State export shares also are on the ERS Autofax System at 202-694-5700. On the autofax, request document numbers 16010, 10620, & 10621.

U.S. agricultural exports, by leading States: Estimated value by commodity group, FY 1999

Commodity group	United States	Leading 10 States, by value									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Million dollars											
Total	49,102.1	CA	IA	NE	KS	IL	TX	MN	WA	IN	WI
		IA	IL	NE	MN	KS	IN	OH	SD	WI	TX
Feed grains and products	6,805.6	1,165.3	978.0	871.5	689.6	532.8	500.6	310.5	295.7	268.7	225.3
		IA	IL	MN	IN	OH	MO	NE	SD	AR	KS
Soybeans and products	6,530.3	1,185.3	1,107.5	681.4	551.1	460.9	405.6	393.7	316.4	202.8	178.9
		NE	KS	TX	IA	CO	IL	KY	MN	WI	CA
Live animals and meat	5,334.5	847.1	761.7	736.7	496.0	263.7	229.9	212.6	184.9	180.8	170.9
		CA	WA	ID	WI	MN	OR	MI	ND	FL	CO
Vegetables and preparations	4,245.2	1,908.4	489.5	322.7	239.4	204.4	159.2	132.7	130.0	112.3	94.6
		KS	OK	ND	WA	TX	OH	MT	MO	IL	ID
Wheat and products	3,930.7	805.5	282.9	279.7	255.3	209.1	194.1	163.2	146.9	144.6	142.4
		CA	FL	WA	OR	MI	NY	HI	TX	AZ	PA
Fruit and preparations	3,282.0	1,535.9	611.1	569.7	120.3	91.5	59.1	54.3	51.9	49.6	24.1
		GA	AR	NC	AL	MS	TX	CA	MO	VA	DE
Poultry and products	2,056.1	278.5	277.7	216.4	207.7	157.5	111.8	103.7	77.9	76.7	61.5
		NE	TX	KS	IA	MN	IL	CO	WI	ND	MO
Feeds and fodders	1,673.4	236.2	189.1	186.2	112.1	94.0	85.5	64.7	59.7	51.2	49.1
		NC	KY	VA	SC	GA	TN	CT	MA	PA	FL
Tobacco, unmanufactured	1,375.5	521.7	324.7	91.8	87.7	86.2	84.6	84.4	20.1	17.4	16.6
		TX	CA	GA	MS	AR	NC	AZ	LA	AL	TN
Cotton and linters	1,323.4	336.7	194.7	138.5	129.7	108.6	92.1	61.2	57.6	49.7	49.0
		NE	KS	TX	WI	CO	IA	UT	IL	MN	WA
Hides and skins	1,108.5	204.3	200.2	174.2	74.8	69.6	40.2	40.1	32.9	32.1	30.8
		CA	GA	OR	NM	TX	HI	LA	AL	NC	OK
Tree nuts	1,074.8	987.8	16.7	15.9	13.4	12.6	7.8	6.7	2.1	1.0	0.8
		AR	CA	LA	TX	MS	MO	na	na	na	na
Rice	1,014.9	465.7	199.2	147.1	82.8	81.2	38.9	na	na	na	na
		WI	CA	MN	PA	NY	ID	WA	IA	OH	MO
Dairy products	897.5	210.0	170.6	73.2	50.8	48.1	47.6	31.9	28.1	24.6	19.5
		CA	OR	IA	IL	NE	ND	FL	MN	AZ	KS
Seeds	799.7	168.7	141.2	43.5	37.4	36.2	32.4	31.8	31.0	27.4	26.0
		NE	KS	TX	CO	IA	WI	IL	CA	PA	MN
Animal fats	561.1	113.5	109.5	94.6	35.9	27.8	25.6	19.6	16.4	15.9	14.8
		ND	SD	KS	CO	MN	NE	TX	na	na	na
Sunflowerseeds and oil	330.4	188.1	95.3	16.9	12.6	10.4	5.1	1.9	na	na	na
		GA	TX	AL	NC	FL	VA	OK	NM	SC	na
Peanuts and products	222.0	81.4	53.0	27.1	16.7	15.1	12.5	11.3	3.4	1.5	na
		TX	MS	CA	GA	AR	NC	AZ	LA	TN	AL
Cottonseed and products	61.8	18.0	6.5	6.3	6.1	5.5	4.0	3.3	2.7	2.4	2.2
		CA	WA	LA	FL	TX	GA	OR	NJ	KY	IL
Other	6,474.7	1,332.5	209.6	200.7	193.3	121.2	117.8	112.2	90.6	74.8	74.0

na = not applicable.

State agricultural exports: Estimated value, million dollars, FY 1995-99

	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
United States	54,725.1	59,890.5	57,365.1	53,730.2	49,102.1
California	6,954.3	7,188.4	7,669.1	7,582.7	6,931.7
Iowa	3,861.8	4,461.0	4,019.5	3,511.1	3,151.5
Nebraska	3,200.9	3,461.4	3,333.3	2,906.7	2,883.0
Kansas	3,082.8	3,102.3	2,718.6	2,792.5	2,823.7
Illinois	3,286.9	3,763.7	3,565.2	3,060.4	2,750.6
Texas	3,332.5	3,411.5	3,009.1	3,018.1	2,512.4
Minnesota	2,434.4	3,011.8	2,611.5	2,359.1	2,184.7
Washington	1,812.5	1,926.2	1,858.5	1,673.8	1,778.5
Indiana	1,683.3	1,958.9	1,752.3	1,605.6	1,429.5
Wisconsin	1,285.6	1,394.4	1,259.4	1,276.4	1,261.3
Arkansas	1,543.1	1,579.4	1,798.9	1,607.0	1,219.8
North Carolina	1,345.0	1,393.7	1,529.2	1,447.1	1,205.5
Ohio	1,279.5	1,545.9	1,322.7	1,356.5	1,199.7
Florida	1,202.5	1,227.3	1,223.7	1,087.1	1,117.7
Missouri	1,237.0	1,277.8	1,507.2	1,341.0	1,087.8
South Dakota	1,114.2	1,151.2	1,156.6	1,058.4	1,016.7
North Dakota	1,506.8	1,725.4	1,036.6	1,084.2	917.9
Kentucky	886.8	1,034.5	1,109.8	930.3	889.4
Georgia	1,129.7	1,245.5	1,281.4	1,120.9	866.8
Colorado	940.1	1,086.8	878.5	821.4	828.3
Idaho	926.7	930.4	843.4	830.2	789.4
Michigan	905.3	1,165.4	877.0	913.8	782.2
Oregon	714.9	743.5	723.8	696.7	680.6
Pennsylvania	529.2	683.3	672.0	599.6	592.8
Mississippi	874.0	812.6	851.8	815.0	541.6
Louisiana	718.2	690.2	723.4	660.8	480.6
Oklahoma	444.1	507.7	384.1	423.7	439.8
Virginia	425.6	479.5	522.7	447.2	385.8
Tennessee	519.7	516.1	554.8	485.6	382.3
New York	370.8	408.4	393.7	377.9	368.0
Alabama	483.5	488.8	534.2	458.1	366.3
Arizona	435.9	425.8	392.6	377.0	333.3
South Carolina	324.4	345.0	358.1	313.1	235.9
Montana	469.8	889.1	309.4	330.4	227.6
Maryland	238.4	286.1	310.1	244.5	199.7
New Jersey	150.1	148.0	171.9	159.5	152.6
Utah	168.6	185.1	153.4	139.4	151.2
Hawaii	108.7	114.6	125.4	111.2	108.1
Delaware	107.6	132.0	147.7	130.6	107.2
Connecticut	46.8	43.1	80.3	95.6	93.3
New Mexico	88.5	84.6	78.9	86.6	74.4
Massachusetts	30.0	29.2	47.6	52.4	44.1
Maine	36.4	40.0	38.4	42.3	41.9
Wyoming	31.9	51.1	40.2	42.8	30.5
West Virginia	26.5	33.6	30.8	27.2	19.7
Vermont	11.0	8.4	11.0	10.3	10.3
Nevada	2.0	4.8	5.8	5.7	4.4
New Hampshire	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0
Rhode Island	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.6
Alaska	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2
Unallocated	2,414.7	2,694.8	3,339.1	3,210.1	3,400.1

Table 3--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Quantity and unit	October-May				May			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Total agricultural imports (NA)	0	0	25,391,173	26,645,895	0	0	3,225,541	3,516,564
Noncompetitive ag imports (NA)	0	0	5,590,416	5,581,116	0	0	648,404	720,529
Bananas & plantains (MT)	2,843	2,956	803,034	749,712	434	399	124,916	111,732
Coffee, incl prods (MT)	891	973	2,089,328	2,069,205	103	131	239,311	268,656
Cocoa & prods (MT)	598	752	1,098,015	1,033,434	51	70	91,633	100,805
Tea (MT)	95	111	159,160	166,314	17	20	23,840	25,075
Spices (MT)	105	107	320,562	336,065	13	15	37,927	42,832
Rubber & allied gums-crude(MT)	781	875	521,108	582,787	87	117	54,982	87,090
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	417	100	0	0	30	5
Wool, unmfq - carpet (MT)	9	7	18,379	15,368	1	1	2,342	2,556
Fibers, excl cotton (MT)	67	57	27,669	26,398	6	7	2,777	3,724
Essential oils (NA)	0	0	225,725	225,563	0	0	27,185	28,122
Drugs - crude natural (MT)	43	49	327,019	376,171	5	8	43,461	49,931
Competitive ag imports (NA)	0	0	19,800,757	21,064,779	0	0	2,577,137	2,796,036
Animals & prods (NA)	0	0	4,675,395	5,448,775	0	0	580,257	714,321
Animals-live, ex poultry (NO)	0	0	1,020,572	1,279,197	0	0	101,472	146,167
Cattle and calves (NO)	1,471	1,639	732,272	796,218	122	199	68,117	104,567
Horses, mules, burros (NO)	23	218	135,636	290,860	3	2	12,532	11,392
Swine (NO)	2,642	2,734	121,860	168,203	315	367	17,613	27,213
Sheep, live (NO)	40	35	3,850	3,692	2	5	250	609
Other live animals (NO)	0	0	26,955	20,225	0	0	2,960	2,386
Meats & prods, ex poultry (MT)	0	0	1,970,075	2,391,310	0	0	273,851	337,579
Beef & veal (MT)	601	658	1,279,072	1,532,932	85	93	183,401	221,253
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	548	607	1,110,882	1,400,558	78	88	163,921	207,543
Beef & veal - prep or pres (MT)	53	51	168,190	132,373	7	5	19,480	13,710
Pork (MT)	226	270	476,888	626,699	28	35	62,797	85,850
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	173	209	312,242	425,850	21	28	40,323	62,466
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	53	61	164,645	200,849	7	7	22,474	23,384
Mutton, goat & lamb (MT)	36	39	121,857	137,744	4	5	15,786	17,829
Horsemeat - fr or froz (MT)	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Variety meats - fr or froz (MT)	33	35	49,135	63,387	4	5	7,081	8,831
Other meats - fr or froz (MT)	3	2	17,658	12,174	0	0	1,238	1,285
Other meats & prods (MT)	9	6	25,460	18,375	1	1	3,547	2,530
Poultry and prods (NA)	0	0	131,336	170,929	0	0	16,349	29,216
Poultry - live (NA)	7,370	7,836	11,854	14,650	734	1,169	1,252	1,922
Poultry meat (MT)	7	10	22,768	29,857	1	1	3,012	3,836
Eggs (NA)	0	0	12,269	12,786	0	0	2,324	2,064
Feathers & down - crude (MT)	16	17	84,446	113,636	2	3	9,761	21,393
Dairy products (NA)	0	0	1,033,323	1,074,194	0	0	129,705	132,258
Milk & cream, fr or dried (MT)	0	0	32,438	28,217	0	0	2,676	2,144
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	19	10	39,258	16,025	2	2	3,483	2,683
Cheese (MT)	131	131	490,525	469,765	15	17	54,515	57,230
Casein & mixtures (MT)	69	76	268,901	292,919	11	8	39,376	31,949
Other dairy prods (NA)	0	0	202,201	267,267	0	0	29,655	38,252
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	49	80	37,064	56,752	5	12	4,093	7,479
Hides & skins (NA)	0	0	109,413	120,529	0	0	13,836	14,147
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	1	1	3,000	3,294	0	0	367	467
Other hides & skins (NA)	0	0	63,057	69,908	0	0	8,554	10,503
Furskins (NA)	3,926	3,870	43,357	47,328	837	1,267	4,914	3,177
Wool-unmfq, apparel grade(MT)	13	11	40,081	30,806	1	2	2,411	4,739
Sausage casings (MT)	9	8	47,986	40,089	1	1	4,571	5,805
Bull semen (NA)	0	0	12,241	13,794	0	0	1,819	1,878
Misc animal prods (NA)	0	0	273,304	271,174	0	0	32,151	35,053
Grains & feeds (MT)	0	0	1,921,958	2,003,731	0	0	230,186	240,322
Wheat, ex seed (MT)	1,542	1,151	195,517	141,612	242	167	29,852	20,735
Corn, unmilled (MT)	334	166	32,803	18,071	16	26	1,917	2,595
Oats, unmilled (MT)	980	1,059	85,238	91,087	138	115	11,966	10,079
Barley, unmilled (MT)	459	449	55,879	60,426	58	56	6,938	7,482
Rice (MT)	241	235	134,232	130,051	31	28	16,752	15,967
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	229	265	521,322	598,102	26	31	54,216	64,366
Pasta & noodles (MT)	199	198	191,701	192,847	22	25	22,031	24,387
Other grains & preps (NA)	0	0	413,092	460,144	0	0	51,256	54,808
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake(MT)	773	855	292,174	311,390	94	111	35,257	39,903
Fruits & preps (MT)	2,667	2,882	1,987,467	1,979,644	428	378	356,091	269,567
Fruits - fr or froz (MT)	2,186	2,403	1,519,136	1,536,142	360	310	290,500	209,850
Apples, fresh (MT)	88	106	61,680	59,079	34	34	24,948	17,209
Avocados (MT)	47	43	50,258	62,758	0	0	402	253
Berries, excl strawberries (MT)	48	56	84,980	87,092	3	4	6,136	10,364
Citrus, fresh (MT)	235	226	149,543	141,764	29	17	17,055	4,127
Grapes, fresh (MT)	327	402	438,494	452,382	38	49	111,397	81,476
Kiwi fruit, fresh (MT)	28	30	24,727	21,115	9	9	7,756	6,030
Mangoes (MT)	111	138	84,637	92,342	37	40	21,937	25,111
Melons (MT)	834	894	267,950	259,588	139	87	44,315	23,788
Peaches (MT)	49	43	43,877	38,020	0	0	116	112
Pears (MT)	79	86	66,490	73,124	15	11	13,578	8,017
Pineapples, fresh/frozen (MT)	172	206	73,166	73,407	28	35	16,077	12,776
Plums (MT)	28	23	26,780	22,752	0	0	160	17
Strawberries, fresh or froz (MT)	66	61	85,741	73,629	16	12	17,873	10,647
Other fruits, fresh or froz (MT)	75	88	60,813	79,089	11	12	8,751	9,922
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	482	479	468,331	443,502	68	68	65,591	59,717
Pineapples - can. or prep.(MT)	217	208	160,690	127,930	30	27	22,580	15,413
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	264	271	307,640	315,571	38	41	43,011	44,304
Fruit juices (HL)	20,653	22,267	503,910	533,869	2,913	2,524	71,579	68,872
Apple juice (HL)	7,549	8,030	135,563	184,492	1,226	1,144	24,793	29,162
Grape juice (HL)	913	1,262	44,322	54,161	99	112	4,148	4,658
Grapefruit juice (HL)	4	185	248	4,277	1	1	45	28
Lemon juice (HL)	254	307	3,711	4,248	23	54	237	1,030

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Quantity and unit	October-May				May			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Lime juice (HL)	80	98	2,709	2,725	8	14	247	432
Orange juice (HL)	8,884	9,350	201,819	178,574	1,053	758	21,794	16,827
Pineapple juice (HL)	1,851	1,679	57,939	38,641	261	230	8,113	5,185
Other fruit juice (HL)	1,118	1,358	57,600	66,751	242	212	12,204	11,551
Nuts & preps (MT)	151	169	434,193	538,747	15	23	49,018	68,791
Brazil nuts (MT)	4	7	10,471	14,662	1	2	1,400	3,046
Cashew nuts (MT)	40	54	210,441	322,005	6	8	32,262	45,388
Chestnuts (MT)	5	4	11,138	9,649	0	0	48	146
Coconut meat (MT)	44	53	38,942	49,956	5	7	4,946	6,823
Filberts (MT)	5	5	19,448	17,732	0	0	1,224	1,781
Macadamia nuts (MT)	3	4	19,228	22,741	0	0	1,539	2,099
Pecans (MT)	26	15	71,262	47,295	1	1	3,525	3,525
Pistachio nuts (MT)	0	0	1,650	1,210	0	0	179	104
Other nuts (MT)	24	26	51,614	53,496	2	3	3,896	5,879
Vegetables & preps (NA)	0	0	3,269,818	3,328,907	0	0	378,684	405,836
Vegetables - fr or froz (MT)	2,840	2,893	1,928,252	2,005,332	288	286	196,481	233,377
Tomatoes (MT)	535	543	539,183	429,716	64	55	52,891	56,579
Asparagus, fresh or frozen(MT)	46	52	83,025	85,077	0	1	610	1,061
Beans, fresh or frozen (MT)	25	31	29,885	36,524	1	3	1,285	2,722
Cabbage (MT)	18	20	4,147	5,367	2	1	320	152
Carrots, fresh or frozen (MT)	65	55	20,963	15,630	5	5	1,853	1,479
Cauliflower & broccoli, fr/fz(MT)	189	170	122,515	111,753	9	8	6,721	5,912
Celery, fresh (MT)	38	25	8,683	8,247	4	2	931	916
Cucumbers (MT)	289	295	115,262	137,741	28	27	14,151	16,211
Eggplant (MT)	32	37	21,253	22,704	3	3	2,665	1,769
Endive, fresh (MT)	2	2	4,729	3,108	0	0	415	357
Garlic (MT)	36	17	38,502	15,073	5	5	5,220	4,201
Lettuce (MT)	13	13	7,433	10,143	1	1	311	752
Okra, fresh or frozen (MT)	12	12	7,384	7,063	4	5	1,903	2,117
Onions (MT)	198	182	105,017	109,910	24	26	12,654	12,222
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	29	30	35,328	29,838	3	3	2,911	2,501
Peppers (MT)	253	259	231,130	332,285	26	27	31,529	53,486
Potatoes, fresh or frozen (MT)	631	700	244,384	311,246	69	74	30,834	38,820
Radishes, fresh (MT)	14	13	10,677	11,216	1	0	354	402
Squash (MT)	142	147	95,296	104,894	9	7	6,106	6,459
Other vegs - fr or froz (MT)	274	291	203,456	217,798	30	33	22,817	25,258
Vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	0	0	1,341,565	1,323,575	0	0	182,203	172,459
Bamboo shoots, presvd.(MT)	21	18	14,844	11,079	2	2	1,595	1,311
Bean cake, miso (MT)	5	5	9,547	10,640	1	1	1,264	1,331
Cucumbers, preserved (MT)	39	38	20,090	20,322	4	3	2,646	2,351
Garlic, dried (MT)	41	10	26,849	6,020	2	3	1,538	1,478
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	60	58	133,030	121,467	7	7	15,889	13,447
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	33	43	65,917	84,590	5	6	9,706	12,022
Mushrooms, dried (MT)	2	2	13,531	16,570	0	0	1,618	2,299
Onions, preserved (MT)	1	2	2,269	2,972	0	0	585	415
Hops, incl extract (MT)	4	5	26,093	27,666	0	1	902	3,733
Artichokes - prep (MT)	16	18	36,216	35,474	5	4	10,144	7,262
Asparagus - prep (MT)	1	1	1,082	1,935	0	0	81	180
Tomatoes, in. paste/sauce(MT)	131	40	121,297	49,276	25	7	21,484	6,930
Waterchestnuts (MT)	27	28	16,960	15,245	6	7	4,131	3,302
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	48	52	28,482	28,602	6	6	3,495	3,573
Mustard (MT)	10	11	12,492	11,041	2	2	2,466	1,511
Peppers & pimentos, prep (MT)	16	16	19,491	19,186	2	2	2,183	1,880
Soy sauce (MT)	31	26	31,920	27,274	6	4	5,828	4,487
Starches, ex. wheat & corn (MT)	98	129	61,751	65,255	12	16	6,641	8,334
Soups & sauces (MT)	116	158	189,356	218,951	18	19	23,763	24,819
Vinegar (HL)	194	232	24,466	26,653	25	33	3,187	3,531
Yeasts (MT)	37	38	44,154	42,344	4	5	6,365	5,036
Oth. vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	0	0	441,730	481,014	0	0	56,693	63,225
Sugar & related prods (NA)	0	0	989,557	973,031	0	0	146,871	139,827
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	1,114	791	378,556	295,758	148	130	57,640	48,207
Molasses (HL)	6,190	5,836	41,491	36,889	861	521	7,535	3,841
Confectionery prods (MT)	183	208	424,455	483,669	25	27	60,560	66,054
Oth. sugar & related prods (MT)	288	349	145,055	156,716	40	43	21,136	21,725
Spices (MT)	26	31	40,858	45,322	4	5	6,995	7,358
Tobacco - unmfq (MT)	122	136	467,303	393,710	8	20	25,119	55,784
Tobacco - filler (MT)	105	110	440,148	373,573	7	17	22,656	52,712
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	16	25	9,471	10,124	1	3	619	1,355
Other tobacco (MT)	1	0	17,684	10,014	0	0	1,843	1,717
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	0	0	2,710,305	2,996,067	0	0	374,045	427,712
Wine (HL)	2,719	2,998	1,388,679	1,494,048	329	403	162,986	181,963
Malt beverages (HL)	12,980	13,912	1,170,890	1,297,592	2,080	2,264	184,607	210,999
Other beverages (HL)	0	0	150,737	204,427	0	0	26,452	34,750
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	2,622	2,702	1,371,879	1,356,237	317	428	161,656	199,535
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	663	607	238,876	200,691	84	127	22,250	34,796
Flaxseed (MT)	110	107	27,410	22,478	27	22	5,822	4,117
Mustard seeds (MT)	35	36	12,233	11,242	5	5	1,658	1,658
Rapeseed (MT)	234	212	66,065	48,156	13	52	3,220	10,295
Sesameseed (MT)	31	35	35,638	39,716	3	5	3,516	6,155
Soybeans (MT)	69	78	18,498	18,147	1	8	466	1,935
Sunflower seeds (MT)	27	28	8,401	7,709	1	2	395	772
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	156	111	70,632	53,242	35	31	7,173	9,864
Oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	1,175	1,290	1,034,036	1,055,429	154	198	128,685	150,764
Castor oil (MT)	16	34	13,623	31,829	5	8	3,619	7,622
Coconut oil (MT)	263	272	176,728	178,430	35	49	22,563	28,339
Cottonseed oil (MT)	17	1	10,660	657	0	1	0	494
Olive oil (MT)	115	119	227,252	276,254	15	17	30,315	37,338

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Palm oil (MT)	92	115	49,298	36,855	8	17	3,752	5,118
Palm kernel oil (MT)	92	134	66,760	91,271	11	17	7,768	11,204
Peanut oil (MT)	16	1	13,935	1,832	0	0	192	177
Rapeseed oil (MT)	333	353	206,491	163,807	44	45	25,086	20,258
Soybean oil (MT)	24	25	15,153	12,646	5	3	2,793	1,676
Sesame oil (MT)	5	6	14,185	17,173	1	1	2,126	2,135
Other vegetable oils (MT)	203	231	239,951	244,677	30	39	30,472	36,402
Oilcake & meal (MT)	784	805	98,966	100,118	79	103	10,720	13,974
Cotton, excl linters (MT)	61	10	87,189	19,775	17	2	21,666	3,692
Cotton linters (MT)	22	15	4,916	3,292	3	2	707	432
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	284	392	354,265	390,309	61	20	40,176	36,449
Cut flowers (NA)	0	0	422,566	469,923	0	0	56,100	70,698
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	0	0	341,478	378,979	0	0	52,593	61,174
Other vegetable prods (MT)	0	0	217,699	204,460	0	0	25,394	25,665
Selected non-ag imports (NA)	0	0	10,034,075	11,327,910	0	0	1,309,233	1,443,575
Fertilizers (MT)	17,197	18,163	1,652,698	1,946,179	2,028	1,923	203,758	231,475
Potassium (MT)	6,322	6,908	543,619	548,641	666	657	58,099	54,177
Nitrogen (MT)	6,750	6,862	815,092	901,756	811	752	100,878	110,292
Phosphate (MT)	4,117	4,383	289,432	490,035	549	514	44,070	66,195
Fish (MT)	0	0	5,289,762	5,955,310	0	0	714,137	744,035
Fish fresh or prep (MT)	0	0	2,372,910	2,533,708	0	0	324,056	310,666
Shellfish (MT)	345	374	2,865,588	3,376,926	45	47	384,405	427,092
Fish prods, other (MT)	39	32	51,265	44,675	7	6	5,675	6,277
Ag chemicals (MT)	90	101	769,833	696,815	12	17	86,176	108,906
Fungicides (MT)	28	25	136,153	111,073	5	5	23,533	24,066
Herbicides (MT)	16	25	223,436	222,621	2	4	17,749	41,145
Insecticides (MT)	16	18	155,169	91,564	2	3	18,703	11,656
Other pesticides (MT)	30	32	255,075	271,557	4	5	26,191	32,039
Farm machinery (NA)	0	0	2,082,228	2,423,744	0	0	277,457	315,181
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	5,920	6,440	1,056,880	1,203,111	727	929	141,083	153,099
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	0	0	1,025,348	1,220,633	0	0	136,374	162,083
Tobacco - mfg (NA)	9	12	239,553	305,862	1	1	27,706	43,979

Tables contain preliminary data. NA = Not available. Zeros in quantity columns indicate none or less than 500 units.

Table 4--U.S. agricultural trade summary (\$ million)

Item	Apr.	May	Year-to-date	% Change
Exports	3,917	4,022	34,754	3
Imports (c.i.f.)	3,666	3,787	28,861	5
Imports (customs value)	3,376	3,517	26,646	5
Trade Balance:				
Exports less c.i.f. imports	252	235	5,893	-6
Exports less customs-val. imports	541	506	8,109	-2
Exports by major commodity group (million \$)				
Live animals	37	45	565	18
Meat & poultry	570	613	5,007	25
Dairy prod & eggs	95	93	803	11
Hides & skins	115	150	911	24
Wheat	246	289	2,118	-9
Rice	50	46	680	-13
Corn	391	379	3,065	-5
Other feed grains	51	53	478	22
Animal feeds	290	279	2,542	7
Soybeans	292	261	3,962	7
Vegetable oils	100	91	940	-30
Fruits & nuts	313	390	2,891	-3
Vegetables	387	384	3,017	4
Cotton & linters	186	185	1,318	29
Tobacco, unmfq.	123	114	941	-15
Seeds & nursery	83	60	815	-5
Imports customs value by major commodity group (million \$)				
Live animals	157	148	1,294	25
Meat & poultry	314	341	2,421	21
Dairy prod. & eggs	124	134	1,087	4
Grains & feeds	232	254	2,104	4
Fruits & nuts	509	519	3,802	2
Vegetables	430	406	3,329	2
Vegetable oils	119	151	1,055	2
Wine	178	182	1,494	8
Malt beverages	175	211	1,298	11
Coffee	255	269	2,069	-1
Cocoa	114	101	1,033	-6
Rubber, natural	78	87	583	12
Cane & beet sugar	36	48	296	-22
Tobacco, unmfq.	25	56	394	-16
Seeds & flowers	226	168	1,239	11

Preliminary data.