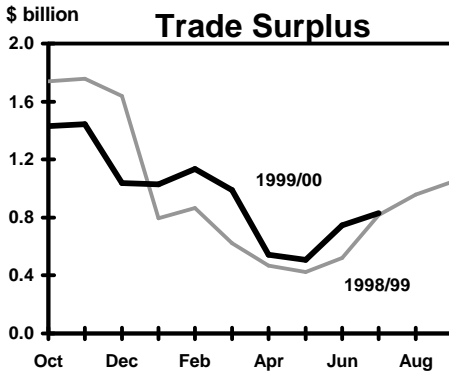


U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

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Summary—After running below last year for the first 8 months of fiscal 2000, for the second consecutive month, the cumulative U.S. agricultural export surplus is slightly above last year, at \$9.7 billion. Although July 2000 exports dropped \$223.8 million from June 2000, July imports fell more, \$307.8 million, raising the gap between exports and imports fractionally.

Through July, both U.S. exports and imports are rising. Exports equal \$42.6 billion, a 3.5-percent gain over 1999. And imports are up 4.3 percent, to \$33 billion.

Exports—Cumulative bulk product exports—wheat, rice, coarse grains, soybeans, cotton, and tobacco—are still just under last year at \$15 billion, down 1 percent. Both value and volume of cotton and soybean exports are above the previous year. But, wheat and corn continue to lag behind last year's export pace.

At \$2.7 billion, October-July *wheat* exports are \$295 million less than 1999, while volume is 1.6 million tons behind 1999. World import demand continues firm as consumption exceeds production. However, world stocks remain relatively high, particularly among export competitors, keeping prices low. U.S. wheat exports in July slipped 159,000 tons from June.

Although July's U.S. *corn* exports rose 234,000 tons from June, the 39.5 million tons of corn exported in the year-to-date remains 7 percent below last year. Cumulative corn export value is down 9.5 percent to \$3.8 billion. Despite rising global demand, 1999/2000 production gains in both importing countries and competing exporters are increasing export competition this year. And large global stocks continue holding prices down.

Fiscal 2000 *soybean* exports remain strong, having gained 10 percent in value and 18 percent in quantity already in the year-to-date. Soybean export value equals \$4.5 billion, and volume is up to 23 million tons. China's decision to import substantially more soybeans in 2000 to supply domestic mills has been responsible for most of the growth. However, overall global import demand also is rising somewhat.

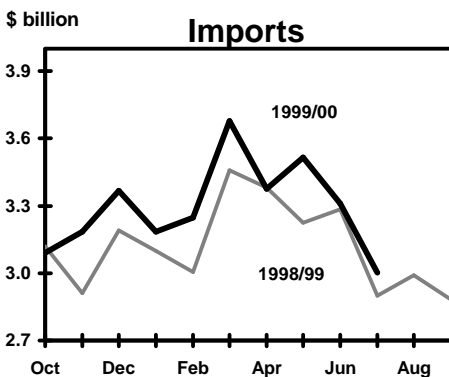
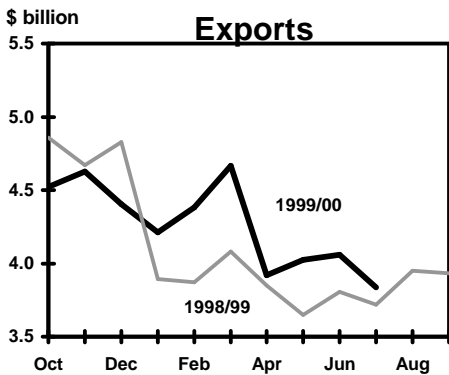
The other bright spot among bulk commodities is cotton. At \$1.6 billion and 1.3 million tons exported already this year, U.S. cotton exports are up 33 percent in value and 64 percent in volume over last year. Global import demand is up, as world consumption exceeds production.

Much of the growth in global consumption demand is in China where production has fallen more than consumption is rising.

At \$28 billion, exports of *high-value products (HVP)* are 5.8 percent greater than in the first 10 months of last year. Meat and poultry and hides and skins lead these gains, increasing by \$1.1 billion and \$278 million in the year-to-date.

Poultry exports to Russia have recovered from the 1998/1999 downturn. Rising prices for beef and pork also support a modest gain in meat value. Improving global economic growth, especially in major Asian markets, is boosting hide and skin exports. Exports of dairy products, live animals, animal feeds, and vegetables also are up.

Imports—The \$1.4 billion gain in year-to-date U.S. agricultural imports largely is occurring in meats and poultry and live animals. Malt beverages and wine also continue to show strength. Meat and poultry imports are up \$529 million, or 20.4 percent, so far this year, while live animal imports have risen \$298 million, or 24.4 percent. These imports come primarily from Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. Malt beverages are up \$170 million and wine \$109 million, gains of 11 and 6 percent. Mexico, the Netherlands, Germany, and Canada lead suppliers of U.S. malt beverage imports. France, Italy, Australia, and Chile are the leading sources of U.S. wine. [Carol Whitton, 202-694-5287, cwhitton@ers.usda.gov]



Economic growth in Asia is helping boost 2000 U.S. agricultural exports—Since the 1998 recessions in Japan, Southeast Asia, and South Korea, Asian economic growth has been gradually rebounding. Economic growth in Asia is projected at 7 percent for 2000, compared with just 0.4 percent in 1998. This economic recovery is leading to larger imports in many of the affected countries. The United States has taken a share of this growth. U.S. agricultural exports to Asia in the first 10-months of fiscal 2000 are up 7 percent, or \$1.2 billion. Much of the gain is in Japan and China, where U.S. export gains already exceed \$400 million each for the year. Exports to the Philippines and Indonesia also show strong percentage gains this year, and actual gains exceed \$100 million each (Table 5).

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

Quantity and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Total agricultural exports (NA)	0	0	41,222,550	42,646,412	0	0	3,717,576	3,834,073
Animals & animal prods (NA)	0	0	8,267,137	9,814,039	0	0	835,332	933,413
Animals live - ex poultry (NA)	0	0	446,063	553,171	0	0	24,164	31,497
Cattle & calves - live (NO)	222	380	114,059	209,195	13	23	5,753	13,564
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	68	73	266,535	288,208	5	4	13,432	12,320
Swine - live (NO)	260	77	22,945	11,270	4	4	683	729
Sheep, live (NO)	394	325	15,565	15,135	23	29	810	1,424
Other live animals (NA)	0	0	26,959	29,363	0	0	3,486	3,459
Meats & meat prods (MT)	1,701	2,077	3,664,281	4,618,323	179	197	386,261	442,384
Beef & veal (MT)	632	732	2,057,120	2,629,218	69	76	226,272	260,257
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	615	714	1,995,189	2,567,195	67	74	219,941	254,618
Beef - prep or pres (MT)	17	17	61,932	62,022	2	2	6,331	5,639
Horsemeat-fr, chill, froz (MT)	9	9	28,312	26,996	1	1	2,682	2,228
Lamb,mutton or goat-fr,ch,frz(MT)	2	2	6,931	4,847	0	0	330	543
Pork (MT)	318	397	804,424	1,077,667	30	33	78,420	96,451
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	286	356	725,613	974,897	27	29	69,485	87,094
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	32	41	78,811	102,769	3	3	8,935	9,357
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	407	506	558,468	636,988	47	46	58,771	59,737
Other meats - fr or prep (MT)	332	432	209,026	242,608	32	41	19,786	23,168
Poultry & poultry prods (NA)	0	0	1,691,167	1,868,277	0	0	184,244	176,591
Poultry - live (NA)	48,328	41,504	94,640	83,860	4,071	4,667	7,846	7,760
Baby chicks (NO)	39,668	32,765	82,341	72,753	3,335	3,638	6,941	6,581
Other live poultry (NA)	8,660	8,739	12,299	11,107	736	1,029	905	1,179
Poultry meats (MT)	1,958	2,376	1,434,716	1,627,220	220	220	162,554	153,390
Chickens - fr or froz (MT)	1,763	2,153	1,134,034	1,288,322	203	201	134,094	122,690
Turkeys - fr or froz (MT)	127	151	135,719	160,529	12	12	13,788	12,862
Other poultry - fr or froz (MT)	6	6	9,312	9,892	0	0	524	757
Poultry meats-prep or pres(MT)	62	67	155,651	168,476	5	6	14,147	17,080
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	3	4	11,819	15,281	0	0	993	1,128
Eggs (NA)	0	0	149,992	141,916	0	0	12,851	14,313
Dairy prods (NA)	0	0	746,990	848,326	0	0	70,569	79,738
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	4	6	3,241	4,155	0	1	280	413
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	72	125	102,322	176,256	8	8	11,103	12,305
Butter & anhyd milkfat (MT)	1	2	2,282	2,958	0	0	66	206
Cheese (MT)	30	36	101,862	110,141	3	3	10,690	9,939
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	0	0	100,869	128,200	0	0	8,792	14,927
Other dairy prods (NA)	0	0	436,414	426,615	0	0	39,638	41,948
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	1,209	988	489,738	370,883	135	94	47,842	30,923
Lard (MT)	62	86	29,793	38,746	5	8	2,095	3,364
Tallow - inedible (MT)	827	654	315,877	209,922	98	61	32,456	16,641
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	319	248	144,069	122,215	31	26	13,291	10,919
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	0	0	924,924	1,202,544	0	0	93,565	136,948
Bovine hides - whole (NO)	14,826	18,013	697,785	949,089	1,562	1,986	74,985	110,176
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	0	0	41,594	34,231	0	0	2,206	2,506
Calf skins, whole (PC)	1,266	1,045	25,070	28,185	102	105	2,239	4,562
Horse hides, whole (PC)	104	308	3,332	10,871	37	33	1,575	1,224
Sheep and lamb skins (PC)	0	0	6,334	15,045	0	0	610	2,731
Other hides & skins,ex furs(NA)	6,851	6,970	41,730	43,288	664	614	3,094	3,375
Furskins (NA)	0	0	109,078	121,835	0	0	8,856	12,374
Mink pelts (NO)	3,756	3,930	87,323	98,862	280	320	7,547	10,055
Other furskins (NA)	0	0	21,755	22,973	0	0	1,309	2,319
Wool & mohair (MT)	3	4	15,980	17,495	0	1	1,850	1,797
Sausage casings (MT)	17	20	56,372	56,113	1	2	4,970	5,042
Bull semen (NA)	0	0	51,201	49,138	0	0	4,961	4,582
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	0	0	180,421	229,769	0	0	16,906	23,911
Grains & feeds (MT)	85,952	83,681	11,897,184	11,281,901	9,645	8,112	1,205,832	1,074,130
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	23,432	21,863	2,990,297	2,695,731	3,008	2,246	350,032	279,770
Wheat flour (MT)	757	731	145,988	112,816	100	75	14,265	12,041
Bulqur wheat (MT)	14	4	2,361	1,019	2	0	270	34
Other wheat prods (MT)	70	86	68,120	76,908	7	8	6,972	7,740
Rice-paddy, milled, parb. (MT)	2,743	2,868	905,473	791,132	207	240	65,528	60,024
Feed grains & prods (MT)	47,662	45,774	4,812,183	4,497,923	5,244	4,436	501,660	412,297
Feed grains (MT)	47,095	45,240	4,635,890	4,329,555	5,196	4,378	485,184	394,611
Barley (MT)	442	485	55,047	62,986	15	65	2,360	8,243
Corn (MT)	42,369	39,489	4,169,569	3,774,122	4,750	3,877	444,436	347,371
Grain sorghums (MT)	4,262	5,240	408,446	489,476	427	433	37,825	38,615
Oats (MT)	21	17	2,747	2,103	4	2	527	296
Rye (MT)	1	9	81	867	0	1	37	85
Feed grain prods (MT)	567	534	176,293	168,368	48	58	16,476	17,687
Popcorn (MT)	80	83	50,459	50,789	6	7	3,668	3,938
Blended food prods (MT)	249	261	70,220	66,467	19	17	5,099	4,428
Other grain prods (MT)	865	821	936,761	945,907	84	64	93,865	89,485
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	10,081	11,190	1,915,321	2,043,209	968	1,018	164,472	204,372
Corn by-products (MT)	4,757	4,738	479,256	484,060	563	472	48,948	50,376
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	223	193	33,172	30,347	16	16	2,657	2,317
Beet pulp (MT)	487	578	56,718	70,138	55	32	5,969	4,199
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	584	823	49,358	57,561	2	33	322	2,778
Other feeds & fodders (MT)	4,029	4,858	1,296,817	1,401,103	332	464	106,575	144,702
Fruits & prep, ex juice (MT)	2,470	2,562	2,104,233	2,165,659	238	279	232,553	260,386
Fruits - fr (MT)	2,071	2,197	1,515,887	1,632,436	206	242	182,042	208,233
Fruits - fr - citrus (MT)	795	972	467,803	551,567	26	47	16,386	25,779
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	420	380	217,035	201,859	7	11	4,038	5,839
Lemons & limes - fresh (MT)	107	98	73,598	70,947	8	8	5,109	5,555
Oranges & tangerines-fresh(MT)	265	491	175,262	276,483	11	28	7,205	14,308

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Other citrus - fresh (MT)	2	3	1,908	2,278	0	0	33	77
Fruits - fr - noncitrus (MT)	1,276	1,225	1,048,084	1,080,870	180	195	165,657	182,454
Apples - fresh (MT)	612	479	342,994	281,333	41	37	22,547	21,336
Berries - fresh (MT)	62	67	106,663	122,169	14	9	21,361	18,105
Cherries - fresh (MT)	40	41	149,029	166,037	13	15	47,377	50,110
Grapes - fresh (MT)	132	160	176,646	211,057	8	15	13,176	19,596
Melons - fresh (MT)	189	195	66,383	71,373	56	53	15,171	16,267
Peaches - fresh (MT)	50	71	49,535	64,221	25	33	23,585	28,187
Pears - fresh (MT)	119	132	70,979	75,337	5	10	3,159	5,783
Plums - fresh (MT)	24	29	23,439	28,840	11	18	10,526	15,745
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	50	50	62,415	60,502	8	6	8,754	7,325
Fruits - dried (MT)	172	144	326,278	272,198	13	14	28,320	25,411
Raisins - dried (MT)	88	63	165,666	114,602	7	8	15,180	12,241
Prunes - dried (MT)	59	55	114,755	110,372	4	4	8,659	9,101
Other dried fruits (MT)	25	25	45,857	47,224	2	2	4,481	4,069
Fruits - canned ex juice (MT)	128	122	124,203	117,990	10	11	9,799	11,764
Fruits - froz ex juice (MT)	37	31	53,472	46,116	4	4	5,565	6,050
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	63	69	84,393	96,919	5	7	6,826	8,929
Fruit juices incl froz (HL)	9,973	9,956	601,957	590,810	1,103	1,043	63,339	64,401
Apple juice (HL)	300	292	37,078	34,895	38	28	5,122	3,658
Grape juice (HL)	750	650	57,377	54,477	67	61	5,252	4,941
Grapefruit juice (HL)	735	989	44,436	57,815	83	156	4,586	8,396
Orange juice (HL)	4,424	4,700	249,903	242,322	408	423	22,116	24,973
Other fruit juices (HL)	3,765	3,325	213,163	201,301	507	375	26,263	22,433
Wine (HL)	2,003	2,204	403,091	425,874	194	215	33,437	41,034
Nuts & prep (MT)	439	509	1,077,979	981,079	36	48	81,806	86,982
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	160	173	581,511	450,393	15	15	44,310	40,966
Filberts (MT)	8	11	15,043	19,367	0	1	282	1,602
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	154	200	158,522	193,956	14	23	16,051	21,333
Pistachios (MT)	23	15	87,686	70,343	2	1	5,189	5,280
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	63	58	141,475	130,428	2	2	6,403	5,526
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	7	9	43,530	45,565	1	1	5,317	5,168
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	23	42	50,212	71,026	3	5	4,254	7,107
Vegetables & prep (NA)	0	0	3,604,229	3,752,141	0	0	333,573	351,671
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	1,591	1,743	917,475	1,005,727	166	184	82,607	98,249
Asparagus - fresh (MT)	16	17	46,845	49,723	1	1	2,130	2,146
Broccoli - fresh (MT)	136	154	86,351	105,082	11	10	6,888	7,487
Carrots - fresh (MT)	110	108	60,108	57,914	11	11	5,523	6,400
Cabbage - fresh (MT)	38	39	14,885	17,180	2	1	649	647
Celery - fresh (MT)	111	106	37,440	48,732	9	10	3,696	5,075
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	82	65	54,706	44,362	7	4	4,109	3,423
Corn, sweet - fresh (MT)	40	41	17,056	17,310	6	6	1,819	2,392
Cucumbers - fresh (MT)	23	24	12,084	13,904	2	2	767	1,205
Garlic - fresh (MT)	6	6	9,199	7,399	1	0	944	315
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	273	286	136,236	154,263	16	20	9,204	11,020
Mushrooms - fresh (MT)	6	6	13,290	13,288	0	0	762	853
Onions and shallots-fresh (MT)	175	241	63,220	70,284	17	19	6,201	6,645
Peppers - fresh (MT)	60	62	51,937	59,944	7	8	5,045	6,671
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	231	270	72,732	79,101	49	57	12,984	15,459
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	124	141	109,337	115,175	17	20	12,768	16,221
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	159	176	132,048	152,065	12	15	9,116	12,290
Vegetables - froz (MT)	562	575	441,363	448,872	42	56	33,966	42,946
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	61	57	51,452	48,696	6	5	5,102	4,113
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	404	417	298,307	304,726	29	42	21,665	30,405
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	98	101	91,604	95,450	7	9	7,199	8,428
Vegetables - canned (MT)	334	354	282,320	293,708	25	31	21,836	26,774
Pulses (MT)	475	411	232,768	202,393	28	29	13,493	13,060
Dried beans (MT)	334	276	180,510	150,716	21	22	10,801	10,185
Dried peas (MT)	94	80	33,693	27,867	4	5	1,594	1,660
Dried lentils (MT)	48	55	18,565	23,811	3	3	1,098	1,215
Hops, incl hop ext (MT)	8	9	68,648	79,050	1	0	4,157	4,221
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	0	0	1,661,656	1,722,391	0	0	177,513	166,421
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	28,716	31,477	7,214,152	7,246,426	1,731	2,040	453,526	491,500
Oilcake & meal (MT)	5,833	5,864	952,326	1,071,272	497	428	78,088	81,997
Bran, hulls, legum. veg. (MT)	403	339	30,322	24,733	34	31	2,708	2,387
Corn oilcake & meal (MT)	55	47	5,588	4,677	0	1	29	116
Soybean meal (MT)	5,184	5,339	889,314	1,019,237	443	387	72,623	77,748
Other oilcake & meal (MT)	192	138	27,102	22,625	20	9	2,728	1,745
Oilseeds (MT)	20,609	23,789	4,684,923	5,039,382	1,069	1,449	265,276	314,088
Rapeseed (MT)	176	102	42,383	24,162	7	8	1,727	2,127
Safflower seeds (MT)	29	32	8,758	11,936	0	0	42	18
Soybeans (MT)	19,552	22,993	4,087,478	4,485,087	1,002	1,368	196,808	266,750
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	186	131	98,792	73,170	9	8	13,552	5,338
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	33	37	27,316	29,695	2	2	1,710	1,699
Other oilseeds (MT)	520	382	114,971	93,492	40	54	8,311	12,469
Protein substances (MT)	114	112	305,224	321,841	9	10	43,126	25,687
Vegetable oils (MT)	2,274	1,824	1,576,903	1,135,772	165	163	110,162	95,415
Soybean oil (MT)	946	567	546,287	251,164	51	47	23,904	19,124
Cottonseed oil (MT)	42	52	27,807	29,871	4	5	2,379	3,213
Sunflower oil (MT)	298	254	182,524	134,372	14	32	7,961	13,389
Corn oil (MT)	395	362	295,308	221,626	45	30	29,895	16,149
Peanut oil (MT)	4	6	3,995	4,735	0	0	347	145
Rapeseed oil (MT)	109	110	63,528	47,285	6	9	2,808	3,046
Safflower oil (MT)	38	15	38,143	16,589	3	2	3,624	2,029

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Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	442	459	419,309	430,129	43	38	39,245	38,319
Tobacco - unmfq (MT)	190	159	1,260,457	1,084,653	12	8	63,377	55,848
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	49	37	396,726	302,840	3	2	21,050	15,018
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	97	74	665,613	539,942	4	3	29,821	23,601
Other tobacco - unmfq (MT)	44	48	198,118	241,871	5	4	12,506	17,229
Cotton, ex linters (MT)	797	1,307	1,190,904	1,585,341	72	104	98,519	136,264
Cotton linters (MT)	30	59	11,433	19,339	3	6	1,063	2,026
Essential oils (MT)	40	44	427,277	476,394	4	5	45,421	52,033
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	496	616	707,783	686,007	39	31	42,142	49,666
Sugar & tropical prods (NA)	0	0	1,186,837	1,281,249	0	0	113,911	121,957
Sugar & related prods (NA)	0	0	485,528	516,849	0	0	50,107	51,139
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	133	103	47,408	34,231	9	6	3,544	2,745
Related sugar prods (NA)	0	0	438,120	482,618	0	0	46,563	48,394
Coffee (MT)	42	50	198,183	209,523	4	5	19,862	23,090
Cocoa (MT)	32	41	70,242	87,904	3	3	6,365	6,114
Chocolate & prep (MT)	80	97	242,144	280,820	7	9	20,062	25,045
Tea & mate (MT)	23	20	94,965	82,187	2	2	8,149	7,191
Spices (MT)	27	28	59,672	67,855	3	3	5,933	5,664
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	22	21	34,039	34,521	2	3	3,347	3,519
Fibers ex cotton (MT)	3	2	2,064	1,590	0	0	86	194
Other misc veg prods (MT)	0	0	347,688	371,974	0	0	32,961	35,819
Nursery & greenhouse prods (NA)	0	0	263,730	246,736	0	0	14,543	14,523
Beverages ex juices (NA)	0	0	656,478	636,791	0	0	66,242	62,420
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	0	0	12,414,671	11,480,323	0	0	1,278,077	1,181,541
Fertilizers (MT)	9	8	2,719,663	2,077,150	0	1	294,917	200,461
Nitrogen (MT)	4	5	2,710,070	2,070,339	0	1	294,635	199,615
Phosphate (MT)	5	3	9,593	6,810	0	0	283	846
Fish & shellfish (MT)	0	0	2,156,432	2,318,600	0	0	316,811	311,927
Fish - fr or prep (MT)	0	0	1,223,979	1,275,855	0	0	236,237	203,603
Shellfish (MT)	0	0	570,822	628,984	0	0	57,421	71,380
Other fish prods (MT)	182	201	361,631	413,762	16	17	23,153	36,945
Aq chemicals (MT)	271	240	1,479,545	1,385,919	24	20	138,360	129,099
Fungicides (MT)	31	25	162,118	134,457	3	3	14,959	12,426
Herbicides (MT)	124	128	695,904	707,977	9	9	53,839	60,331
Insecticides (MT)	60	51	389,366	337,147	9	5	47,250	33,009
Other pesticides (MT)	57	36	232,158	206,338	4	4	22,311	23,332
Farm machinery (NA)	0	0	2,647,066	2,578,371	0	0	243,025	251,565
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	39	35	1,034,736	933,067	3	3	101,466	102,175
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	0	0	1,612,330	1,645,304	0	0	141,560	149,390
Tobacco - mfg (NA)	0	0	3,411,964	3,120,284	0	0	284,963	288,488

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 July 2000 (metric tons)

Wheat	Oct-July	Oct-July	July	Corn	Oct-July	Oct-July	July
	1998/1999	1999/2000	2000		1998/1999	1999/2000	2000
Egypt	3,769,233	3,754,226	310,019	Japan	12,761,656	12,501,201	1,048,027
Japan	2,590,751	2,589,848	214,191	China (Taiwan)	3,812,753	4,413,531	426,763
Philippines	1,271,564	1,690,770	142,176	Mexico	4,552,102	3,636,659	153,968
Mexico	1,342,144	1,483,126	179,378	Egypt	2,888,318	2,771,560	493,177
South Korea	1,502,422	1,383,556	193,470	South Korea	5,643,043	2,176,646	197,182
European Union	1,103,788	1,204,508	199,845	Colombia	1,255,327	1,614,644	241,181
Nigeria	974,281	932,672	163,659	Saudi Arabia	1,019,405	976,308	100,977
China (Taiwan)	755,680	906,221	68,352	Venezuela	1,127,756	886,862	127,800
Israel	778,640	650,672	51,253	Turkey	668,724	855,551	76,321
Colombia	593,232	512,072	27,582	Algeria	774,472	850,519	139,617
World	23,432,310	21,863,349	2,245,720	World	42,368,874	39,488,861	3,877,019
Soybeans	Oct-July	Oct-July	July	Cotton	Oct-July	Oct-July	July
	1998/1999	1999/2000	2000		1998/1999	1999/2000	2000
European Union	5,739,053	6,587,475	18,652	Mexico	239,254	294,853	35,095
China (Mainland)	1,349,161	3,543,243	286,034	Turkey	20,850	167,630	9,494
Japan	3,273,933	3,147,437	229,889	Indonesia	43,586	116,195	8,310
Mexico	2,703,591	2,863,096	382,053	China (Taiwan)	52,319	97,823	3,836
China (Taiwan)	1,751,428	1,724,512	105,966	Japan	78,278	85,952	6,532
South Korea	1,080,013	1,121,932	13,824	Hong Kong	53,352	66,029	4,850
Indonesia	793,517	882,224	103,860	Brazil	220	61,395	40
Thailand	593,756	654,598	221	South Korea	64,308	60,782	6,143
Israel	441,981	435,814	36,385	Thailand	15,533	54,235	3,619
Philippines	194,212	306,718	16,520	Canada	52,280	47,692	3,423
World	19,552,102	22,993,127	1,368,294	World	797,241	1,306,761	104,308

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

Quantity and unit	October-July				July			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Total agricultural imports (NA)	0	0	31,593,534	32,964,338	0	0	2,899,379	3,002,991
Noncompetitive ag imports (NA)	0	0	6,860,727	6,860,129	0	0	631,707	614,101
Bananas & plantains (MT)	3,630	3,710	1,008,171	957,048	376	411	95,729	104,273
Coffee, incl prods (MT)	1,092	1,206	2,553,258	2,537,424	94	114	219,461	221,305
Cocoa & prods (MT)	734	890	1,311,231	1,232,569	77	70	114,850	101,215
Tea (MT)	127	144	203,135	212,198	15	14	22,221	22,756
Spices (MT)	136	134	419,423	421,637	16	14	53,996	44,888
Rubber & allied gums-crude(MT)	941	1,067	616,117	713,731	78	69	46,513	45,952
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	436	118	0	0	12	8
Wool, unmfq - carpet (MT)	11	9	22,316	19,045	1	1	1,849	1,796
Fibers, excl cotton (MT)	83	70	34,407	32,491	9	8	3,511	3,287
Essential oils (NA)	0	0	279,240	273,890	0	0	27,912	25,142
Drugs - crude natural (MT)	56	58	412,994	459,978	8	5	45,651	43,480
Competitive ag imports (NA)	0	0	24,732,807	26,104,209	0	0	2,267,672	2,388,890
Animals & prods (NA)	0	0	5,874,801	6,827,690	0	0	565,199	659,796
Animals-live, ex poultry (NO)	0	0	1,207,055	1,501,126	0	0	77,239	97,604
Cattle and calves (NO)	1,673	1,859	853,907	933,174	80	84	49,247	54,059
Horses, mules, burros (NO)	27	228	160,635	319,545	2	4	9,940	16,444
Swine (NO)	3,318	3,455	157,962	220,253	312	345	15,965	25,344
Sheep, live (NO)	44	43	4,215	4,454	4	3	343	340
Other live animals (NO)	0	0	30,335	23,700	0	0	1,744	1,417
Meats & prods, ex poultry (MT)	0	0	2,557,593	3,076,598	0	0	275,301	334,677
Beef & veal (MT)	779	847	1,669,982	1,985,228	85	93	186,626	219,074
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	711	784	1,460,535	1,821,334	79	86	168,556	200,906
Beef & veal - prep or pres (MT)	68	63	209,447	163,893	6	7	18,070	18,168
Pork (MT)	279	335	594,149	794,296	25	32	55,752	84,708
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	214	259	392,695	542,289	19	24	37,333	59,220
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	65	76	201,455	252,007	6	7	18,420	25,488
Mutton, goat & lamb (MT)	44	48	158,077	169,252	4	4	19,786	14,800
Horsemeat - fr or froz (MT)	0	0	20	12	0	0	15	0
Variety meats - fr or froz (MT)	43	45	64,947	83,354	4	6	7,729	10,864
Other meats - fr or froz (MT)	3	2	19,849	14,791	0	0	1,120	1,061
Other meats & prods (MT)	16	8	50,569	29,666	1	1	4,272	4,170
Poultry and prods (NA)	0	0	165,259	239,021	0	0	15,302	32,505
Poultry - live (NA)	9,378	10,295	15,627	19,404	804	1,139	1,642	2,238
Poultry meat (MT)	10	13	29,238	38,810	1	2	3,487	4,933
Eggs (NA)	0	0	15,492	15,959	0	0	1,528	1,824
Feathers & down - crude (MT)	21	23	104,902	164,848	2	3	8,645	23,510
Dairy products (NA)	0	0	1,306,409	1,358,653	0	0	140,982	135,855
Milk & cream, fr or dried (MT)	0	0	40,180	31,833	0	0	5,050	2,014
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	25	17	50,981	25,915	4	3	6,582	4,980
Cheese (MT)	160	162	594,274	577,443	16	15	55,316	52,892
Casein & mixtures (MT)	89	99	345,880	384,247	10	10	40,431	40,509
Other dairy prods (NA)	0	0	275,094	339,215	0	0	33,603	35,460
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	70	98	50,655	69,738	10	9	5,664	6,346
Hides & skins (NA)	0	0	128,165	142,153	0	0	8,803	9,920
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	1	1	3,685	3,786	0	0	364	136
Other hides & skins (NA)	0	0	77,127	86,087	0	0	6,800	7,317
Furskins (NA)	4,694	4,506	47,353	52,280	423	239	1,639	2,467
Wool-unmfq, apparel grade(MT)	15	12	45,474	35,972	1	1	3,575	3,069
Sausage casings (MT)	12	10	61,170	50,693	1	1	5,674	5,069
Bull semen (NA)	0	0	14,716	15,962	0	0	1,156	1,228
Misc animal prods (NA)	0	0	338,306	337,774	0	0	31,505	33,523
Grains & feeds (MT)	0	0	2,416,867	2,515,014	0	0	232,342	250,489
Wheat, ex seed (MT)	2,003	1,472	251,776	181,654	256	162	31,169	19,724
Corn, unmilled (MT)	363	215	36,022	22,852	15	23	1,618	2,209
Oats, unmilled (MT)	1,206	1,250	105,078	107,084	93	133	8,715	10,839
Barley, unmilled (MT)	546	571	66,284	76,401	46	71	5,390	8,998
Rice (MT)	294	278	159,938	155,500	18	22	10,188	13,059
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	288	330	644,196	738,989	30	33	63,380	74,094
Pasta & noodles (MT)	245	242	236,081	237,279	21	23	20,196	23,225
Other grains & preps (NA)	0	0	536,457	569,833	0	0	50,701	52,544
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake(MT)	987	1,073	381,035	425,421	91	103	40,986	45,798
Fruits & preps (MT)	3,215	3,364	2,441,430	2,340,177	217	220	169,132	157,323
Fruits - fr or froz (MT)	2,606	2,750	1,846,379	1,777,985	160	152	112,589	96,559
Apples, fresh (MT)	141	154	99,151	83,819	21	27	15,157	14,414
Avocados (MT)	49	44	53,244	63,392	2	0	1,714	410
Berries, excl strawberries (MT)	56	66	98,004	101,860	5	7	8,450	10,114
Citrus, fresh (MT)	296	284	181,729	172,388	36	38	21,816	25,251
Grapes, fresh (MT)	383	449	544,433	517,310	7	1	11,815	846
Kiwi fruit, fresh (MT)	41	38	35,523	27,248	6	3	5,162	2,325
Mangoes (MT)	197	215	130,379	133,209	41	32	22,164	15,349
Melons (MT)	875	900	280,306	261,333	3	0	1,298	230
Peaches (MT)	49	43	43,883	38,020	0	0	6	0
Pears (MT)	87	89	72,206	76,518	1	0	947	619
Pineapples, fresh/frozen (MT)	223	261	101,129	97,442	22	28	11,225	13,236
Plums (MT)	28	23	26,819	22,771	0	0	28	19
Strawberries, fresh or froz (MT)	81	70	98,474	81,939	3	2	2,534	1,863
Other fruits, fresh or froz (MT)	99	114	81,100	100,735	12	14	10,272	11,884
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	609	615	595,051	562,191	58	69	56,544	60,763
Pineapples - can. or prep.(MT)	281	268	208,525	162,720	32	31	23,802	18,761
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	328	347	386,527	399,472	26	37	32,741	42,002
Fruit juices (HL)	26,196	27,358	646,306	667,121	2,669	2,544	67,993	64,085
Apple juice (HL)	9,774	9,865	179,370	233,838	1,047	896	20,551	23,883
Grape juice (HL)	1,197	1,576	56,955	65,761	138	115	5,824	4,214
Grapefruit juice (HL)	6	186	382	4,372	1	1	75	65
Lemon juice (HL)	354	600	5,357	10,791	54	200	833	4,422

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	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Lime juice (HL)	147	179	4,046	4,395	29	58	575	1,024
Orange juice (HL)	10,745	11,079	239,526	211,708	897	894	17,866	16,879
Pineapple juice (HL)	2,378	2,122	72,642	49,210	299	189	7,846	4,432
Other fruit juice (HL)	1,595	1,750	88,029	87,046	203	192	14,423	9,167
Nuts & preps (MT)	190	207	565,873	662,068	20	18	71,017	57,140
Brazil nuts (MT)	6	10	15,425	21,628	1	1	1,999	3,289
Cashew nuts (MT)	55	70	295,969	406,746	8	7	49,567	37,648
Chestnuts (MT)	5	4	11,424	9,782	0	0	54	126
Coconut meat (MT)	59	66	54,499	61,112	7	6	7,126	5,329
Filberts (MT)	5	5	21,785	20,108	0	0	1,167	1,173
Macadamia nuts (MT)	3	4	24,634	26,232	0	0	3,323	2,297
Pecans (MT)	27	16	79,616	52,977	1	1	3,226	2,310
Pistachio nuts (MT)	0	0	2,062	1,355	0	0	72	58
Other nuts (MT)	29	30	60,459	62,127	2	2	4,484	4,909
Vegetables & preps (NA)	0	0	3,927,256	4,018,832	0	0	313,296	332,655
Vegetables - fr or froz (MT)	3,279	3,319	2,269,976	2,378,985	199	205	161,798	175,960
Tomatoes (MT)	642	643	639,290	535,392	48	47	47,278	50,750
Asparagus, fresh or frozen(MT)	50	60	90,659	98,841	4	6	6,368	9,100
Beans, fresh or frozen (MT)	28	35	32,597	40,666	1	2	1,392	1,809
Cabbage (MT)	23	26	5,297	7,068	3	5	722	1,204
Carrots, fresh or frozen (MT)	75	64	23,965	18,309	4	4	1,330	1,387
Cauliflower & broccoli, fr/fz(MT)	220	197	143,885	130,200	16	15	10,913	10,095
Celery, fresh (MT)	40	25	9,197	8,341	0	0	147	83
Cucumbers (MT)	316	321	128,913	154,092	12	12	5,711	8,082
Eggplant (MT)	33	38	22,008	23,285	0	0	73	176
Endive, fresh (MT)	2	2	5,536	3,891	0	0	371	311
Garlic (MT)	44	24	48,192	22,576	3	2	3,065	2,405
Lettuce (MT)	19	18	9,592	12,891	4	4	1,542	2,005
Okra, fresh or frozen (MT)	20	19	10,728	9,934	5	2	1,655	844
Onions (MT)	224	203	123,491	121,353	10	8	7,996	4,612
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	36	35	42,031	34,585	4	3	3,700	2,535
Peppers (MT)	289	297	282,483	403,289	17	17	24,138	28,892
Potatoes, fresh or frozen (MT)	735	806	303,228	376,741	44	51	28,167	31,912
Radishes, fresh (MT)	14	14	11,560	11,754	0	0	492	269
Squash (MT)	148	152	98,917	108,731	2	2	1,227	1,482
Other vegs - fr or froz (MT)	320	339	238,406	257,047	21	22	15,512	18,006
Vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	0	0	1,657,280	1,639,847	0	0	151,498	156,695
Bamboo shoots, presvd.(MT)	23	20	16,684	12,594	1	1	994	680
Bean cake, miso (MT)	6	6	11,441	12,995	1	1	1,039	1,260
Cucumbers, preserved (MT)	44	44	24,096	24,018	3	3	2,066	1,890
Garlic, dried (MT)	44	15	29,613	8,617	1	2	752	1,221
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	75	76	165,605	154,502	7	9	15,100	16,268
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	41	55	82,890	106,575	4	6	8,738	11,078
Mushrooms, dried (MT)	2	3	16,175	20,246	0	0	1,362	1,743
Onions, preserved (MT)	2	2	3,168	3,383	0	0	257	119
Hops, incl extract (MT)	5	5	29,669	28,707	0	0	1,508	352
Artichokes - prep (MT)	29	27	62,181	51,320	6	5	11,821	8,934
Asparagus - prep (MT)	1	1	1,539	2,244	0	0	137	238
Tomatoes, in. paste/sauce(MT)	155	49	144,256	60,126	8	3	7,577	4,786
Waterchestnuts (MT)	31	33	19,993	18,305	1	2	1,274	1,464
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	59	65	35,293	35,884	6	6	3,438	3,530
Mustard (MT)	14	14	16,094	13,780	2	1	1,379	1,184
Peppers & pimentos, prep (MT)	20	21	25,020	24,842	2	3	2,823	2,971
Soy sauce (MT)	38	34	39,157	35,345	3	4	3,439	4,154
Starches, ex. wheat & corn (MT)	130	161	78,404	81,510	20	17	9,678	7,846
Soups & sauces (MT)	139	188	229,206	262,689	11	15	18,924	21,806
Vinegar (HL)	256	298	32,578	34,130	31	32	4,731	3,660
Yeasts (MT)	45	48	54,451	53,567	4	5	5,538	6,023
Oth. vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	0	0	539,766	594,469	0	0	48,922	55,488
Sugar & related prods (NA)	0	0	1,268,702	1,216,099	0	0	128,143	124,690
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	1,382	1,010	477,558	358,463	108	118	36,425	32,538
Molasses (HL)	7,494	6,796	49,602	44,969	696	256	4,476	2,726
Confectionery prods (MT)	239	262	551,472	614,137	29	28	64,998	68,291
Oth. sugar & related prods (MT)	385	436	190,069	198,529	53	44	22,243	21,135
Spices (MT)	37	41	54,323	58,259	5	4	5,937	5,860
Tobacco - unmfq (MT)	179	183	620,145	527,659	10	12	24,047	34,986
Tobacco - filler (MT)	144	150	578,105	497,369	8	10	21,368	31,088
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	31	31	15,310	13,210	2	2	618	646
Other tobacco (MT)	3	1	26,730	17,080	0	0	2,062	3,252
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	0	0	3,506,134	3,859,938	0	0	394,159	423,681
Wine (HL)	3,406	3,741	1,741,819	1,850,739	330	345	169,891	166,931
Malt beverages (HL)	17,329	18,588	1,557,054	1,726,603	2,186	2,350	195,823	216,025
Other beverages (HL)	0	0	207,261	282,595	0	0	28,445	40,725
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	3,292	3,530	1,716,003	1,710,858	309	422	170,453	167,982
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	856	912	289,194	271,882	75	165	20,631	28,827
Flaxseed (MT)	154	132	36,958	27,326	22	14	4,550	2,689
Mustard seeds (MT)	43	46	15,060	14,063	4	4	1,247	1,178
Rapeseed (MT)	270	272	74,135	58,515	22	27	4,877	4,284
Sesameseed (MT)	38	43	44,193	48,977	4	4	4,468	3,977
Soybeans (MT)	76	102	20,174	23,151	3	11	895	2,242
Sunflower seeds (MT)	29	35	9,022	9,677	1	4	283	1,141
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	245	281	89,653	90,173	20	101	4,311	13,316
Oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	1,468	1,615	1,302,208	1,312,608	150	167	138,443	127,145
Castor oil (MT)	33	39	27,531	36,805	11	5	9,387	4,842
Coconut oil (MT)	313	348	213,864	219,890	27	31	20,912	15,809
Cottonseed oil (MT)	17	4	10,666	1,805	0	0	6	12
Olive oil (MT)	148	156	299,863	351,084	17	16	37,604	32,693

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	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Palm oil (MT)	112	142	58,484	45,718	8	17	3,573	5,742
Palm kernel oil (MT)	124	162	91,130	108,874	20	21	15,197	13,035
Peanut oil (MT)	16	1	14,376	2,158	0	0	199	185
Rapeseed oil (MT)	415	438	251,046	202,377	44	43	22,866	19,020
Soybean oil (MT)	31	32	19,048	15,676	3	3	1,603	1,440
Sesame oil (MT)	6	7	17,736	21,044	1	1	1,993	2,063
Other vegetable oils (MT)	252	286	298,466	307,176	20	29	25,103	32,305
Oilcake & meal (MT)	969	1,004	124,601	126,368	83	90	11,379	12,010
Cotton, excl linters (MT)	96	11	130,223	21,970	18	0	20,454	755
Cotton linters (MT)	28	20	6,003	4,467	2	3	411	672
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	308	413	403,186	439,692	10	8	21,937	21,651
Cut flowers (NA)	0	0	500,815	552,562	0	0	34,034	39,346
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	0	0	385,780	430,871	0	0	22,587	26,574
Other vegetable prods (MT)	0	0	268,960	250,933	0	0	26,531	21,205
Selected non-ag imports (NA)	0	0	12,543,261	14,344,072	0	0	1,230,020	1,536,596
Fertilizers (MT)	19,771	21,201	1,918,370	2,354,877	1,222	1,507	125,496	202,443
Potassium (MT)	7,034	7,880	610,191	637,105	283	544	25,386	48,179
Nitrogen (MT)	7,730	7,976	938,351	1,086,192	480	551	58,964	90,637
Phosphate (MT)	4,997	5,334	364,059	624,977	458	411	40,703	63,317
Fish (MT)	0	0	6,802,457	7,711,654	0	0	751,671	935,492
Fish fresh or prep (MT)	0	0	2,989,344	3,141,985	0	0	300,618	306,216
Shellfish (MT)	452	494	3,748,744	4,511,283	55	64	445,664	620,569
Fish prods, other (MT)	50	44	64,370	58,385	5	8	5,389	8,708
Ag chemicals (MT)	109	123	910,662	844,524	9	9	63,619	60,185
Fungicides (MT)	36	33	190,556	159,196	4	3	22,779	12,963
Herbicides (MT)	18	28	246,829	259,841	1	1	8,759	12,993
Insecticides (MT)	20	21	182,784	107,820	2	1	11,024	6,140
Other pesticides (MT)	36	40	290,493	317,666	3	4	21,058	28,090
Farm machinery (NA)	0	0	2,606,345	3,039,416	0	0	255,698	293,233
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	7,242	7,491	1,307,220	1,517,313	691	491	123,545	147,915
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	0	0	1,299,125	1,522,103	0	0	132,152	145,318
Tobacco - mfg (NA)	11	14	305,426	393,602	1	1	33,537	45,243

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	June	July	Year-to-date	% Change
Exports	4,058	3,834	42,646	3
Imports (c.i.f.)	3,787	3,231	35,640	5
Imports (customs value)	3,311	3,003	32,964	4
Trade Balance:				
Exports less c.i.f. imports	271	603	7,006	-2
Exports less customs-val. imports	747	831	9,682	0
Exports by major commodity group (million \$)				
Live animals	32	39	637	18
Meat & poultry	643	596	6,246	22
Dairy prod & eggs	93	94	990	10
Hides & skins	154	137	1,203	30
Wheat	298	280	2,696	-10
Rice	51	60	791	-13
Corn	362	347	3,774	-9
Other feed grains	30	47	555	19
Animal feeds	287	286	3,114	9
Soybeans	256	267	4,485	10
Vegetable oils	100	95	1,136	-28
Fruits & nuts	434	412	3,738	-1
Vegetables	384	352	3,752	4
Cotton & linters	149	138	1,605	33
Tobacco, unmfq.	88	56	1,085	-14
Seeds & nursery	53	64	933	-4
Imports customs value by major commodity group (million \$)				
Live animals	127	100	1,521	24
Meat & poultry	350	340	3,115	20
Dairy prod. & eggs	150	138	1,375	4
Grains & feeds	275	262	2,641	4
Fruits & nuts	442	383	4,626	-1
Vegetables	357	333	4,019	2
Vegetable oils	130	127	1,313	1
Wine	190	167	1,851	6
Malt beverages	213	216	1,727	11
Coffee	247	221	2,537	-1
Cocoa	98	101	1,233	-6
Rubber, natural	85	46	714	16
Cane & beet sugar	30	33	358	-25
Tobacco, unmfq.	99	35	528	-15
Seeds & flowers	96	88	1,423	10

Preliminary data.

Table 5--U.S. agricultural exports to Asia, October-July

	1999			2000			2000>99		
	Million dollars		Percent	Million dollars		Percent	Million dollars		Percent
Asia	15,429	16,609	7.1						
Japan	7,533	7,981	5.6						
South Korea	2,068	2,137	3.2						
Taiwan	1,721	1,731	0.6						
China	783	1,219	35.8						
Hong Kong	1,053	1,035	-1.7						
Philippines	597	718	16.9						
Indonesia	417	559	25.4						
Thailand	361	411	12.1						
Malaysia	264	232	-13.4						
Singapore	179	180	0.6						
India	164	146	-12.7						
Pakistan	86	85	-0.7						
Bangladesh	128	73	-76.1						
Vietnam	21	41	50.4						
Sri Lanka	38	37	-3.3						
Other	16	23	28.5						