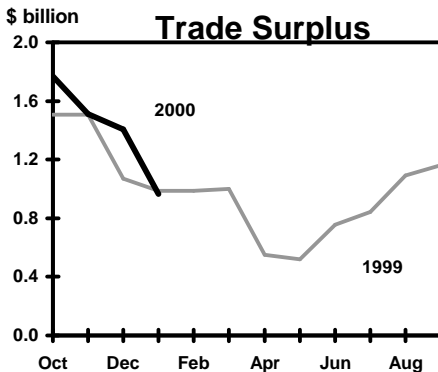


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Summary—The \$18.7 billion October-January U.S. agricultural exports are \$880 million more than during the same period in fiscal 2000. This gain is entirely due to larger sales of high-value products. U.S. agricultural imports are for the fiscal year to date \$300 million larger than a year ago. The cumulative trade surplus is \$5.7 billion, up \$580 million from last year. The January trade balance is the smallest monthly surplus so far this fiscal year.

Exports—Bulk commodity exports of \$6.5 billion to date are only marginally larger than in the same part of fiscal 2000 due to sales declines for wheat, corn, rice, and tobacco. Bulk sales have fallen each month since October 2000, as volume shipped has generally narrowed and as prices remained relatively weak.

Down \$181 million from 2000, October-January *corn* exports posted the largest decline among bulk commodities. Volume shipped fell 2.3 million tons as demand from South Korea, China, Japan, and South America slipped sharply. Export competition from China and Argentina is largely responsible for the smaller U.S. market share. In addition, Starlink concerns have slowed shipments to Japan. On the other hand, sales to Canada and Mexico are slightly higher to date. Average corn prices remain near 1999's low levels.

Wheat exports of \$1.1 billion are only slightly less than during the first 4 months of fiscal 2000. While wheat prices have recently inched up, volume shipped is close to half a million tons lower than last year. Shipments to Egypt, Pakistan, and the European Union (EU) showed the steepest declines. Export competition from Canada, the EU, Australia, and Argentina has boosted world wheat supplies. The volume of shipments to Japan, Nigeria, and Indonesia, however, managed to rise from last year.

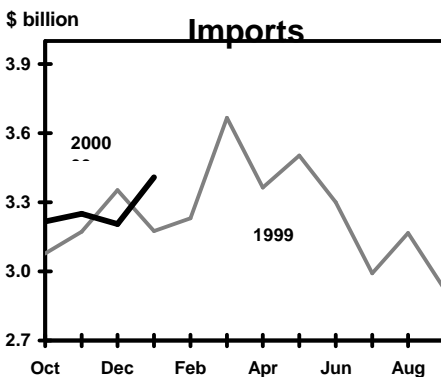
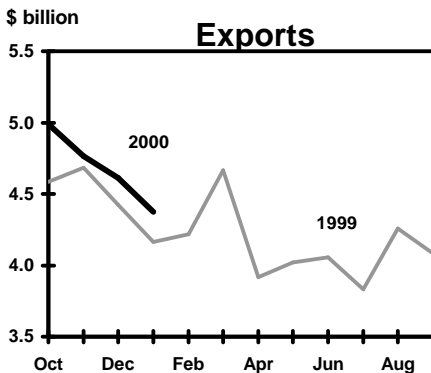
Soybean value and volume shipped both increased in October-January, in part due to a modest recovery of soybean prices. Despite increased exports by competitors Brazil and Argentina, world import demand has risen enough to support increased U.S. sales. While U.S. shipments to the EU have dropped 1.1 million tons thus far, larger shipments to China and Mexico more than offset declines elsewhere.

The value of cotton exports is \$78 million ahead of last year despite a marginal narrowing of volume shipped from October to January, as prices are modestly higher. Mexico, the largest

customer of U.S. cotton, has imported 21,000 tons more thus far this year.

The \$844-million export gain to date in high-value products (HVP) is attributed in large part to strong overseas demand for hides and skins, feeds and fodders, and nuts. Also, gains in fruits, sugar and tropical products, vegetables, and poultry sales more than offset the loss thus far from red meat exports. Economic growth in Latin American and Asian markets, except Japan, remains high relative to the United States. HVP sales to Mexico and Canada are the early leaders.

Imports—At \$13.1 billion, indications of continued higher U.S. agricultural imports in the current year are evident. So far, gains have occurred in live animals, red meats, fruits, vegetables, and malt beverages. The strong U.S. dollar is a major factor boosting U.S. import demand. But, the backdrop of slowing domestic economic growth may yet affect 2001 imports. Canada, Mexico, Australia, and New Zealand are the principal sources of U.S. imported food. The value of coffee imports from Brazil, Colombia, and Mexico is down due to low coffee prices. [Andy Jerardo, 202-694-5323; ajerardo@ers.usda.gov]



The share of agricultural products in total U.S. merchandise exports—6.7 percent in calendar year 2000—fell sharply from 9.8 percent in 1995. In 2000, all agricultural shares of total U.S. exports to major foreign markets declined from 1995, as well as from 1991 (see table 5). Export shares of U.S. farm products to the EU, China, and Mexico experienced the steepest declines from 1995. An important cause of these drops was the abundant world supply of farm commodities. Another was the high exchange rate of the U.S. dollar against the currencies of farm export competitors since 1997. Nevertheless, the agricultural share of total U.S. exports to Japan and China is still in double digits.

The share of agricultural products in total U.S. imports of goods in 2000 also narrowed to 3.2 percent from 4 percent in 1995. The most significant changes were for imports from Mexico and the EU. In general, the share of agriculture in total U.S. trade shrank as both exports and imports increased in the past decade.

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

Quantity and unit	October-January				January			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
Total agricultural exports (NA)	0	0	17,856,883	18,736,975	0	0	4,161,786	4,373,060
Animals & animal prods (NA)	0	0	3,999,151	4,276,437	0	0	903,508	968,381
Animals live - ex poultry (NA)	0	0	346,583	450,484	0	0	61,433	46,738
Cattle & calves - live (NO)	214	262	119,449	148,824	43	38	25,785	21,020
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	47	36	216,346	291,606	10	6	33,051	23,845
Swine - live (NO)	25	9	3,492	3,089	8	2	793	638
Sheep, live (NO)	138	120	6,352	5,624	37	25	1,677	1,174
Other live animals (NA)	0	0	945	1,341	0	0	126	62
Meats & meat prods (MT)	836	836	1,836,820	1,758,916	187	221	426,092	437,815
Beef & veal (MT)	294	281	1,032,187	956,567	73	75	252,793	235,839
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	287	274	1,008,956	929,488	71	73	248,334	230,282
Beef - prep or pres (MT)	6	7	23,231	27,079	1	2	4,459	5,557
Horsemeat-fr, chill, froz (MT)	4	3	12,148	11,414	1	1	3,379	3,848
Lamb,mutton or goat-fr,ch,frz(MT)	1	1	1,760	2,110	0	0	404	531
Pork (MT)	181	165	456,206	410,151	34	41	94,506	101,349
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	159	148	405,234	365,294	30	37	85,719	90,844
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	22	17	50,972	44,857	4	4	8,787	10,505
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	183	225	238,521	289,440	42	59	54,080	74,762
Other meats - fr or prep (MT)	174	160	95,998	89,234	37	45	20,931	21,486
Poultry & poultry prods (NA)	0	0	786,703	819,571	0	0	177,131	200,989
Poultry - live (NA)	15,756	18,886	35,118	31,745	3,716	4,948	8,215	7,781
Baby chicks (NO)	12,400	16,524	30,506	28,152	2,829	4,306	7,145	6,858
Other live poultry (NA)	3,356	2,362	4,612	3,593	887	642	1,069	923
Poultry meats (MT)	1,002	1,047	687,543	719,610	249	291	154,527	178,405
Chickens - fr or froz (MT)	908	924	538,756	535,603	228	262	123,776	134,628
Turkeys - fr or froz (MT)	60	76	71,316	87,277	13	16	15,189	17,824
Other poultry - fr or froz (MT)	3	1	5,123	2,650	1	0	1,153	759
Poultry meats-prep or pres(MT)	30	46	72,348	94,080	6	13	14,408	25,195
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	1	1	6,163	8,694	0	0	1,732	2,035
Eggs (NA)	0	0	57,879	59,521	0	0	12,658	12,768
Dairy prods (NA)	0	0	340,851	399,113	0	0	64,495	84,840
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	2	1	1,377	889	0	0	327	90
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	63	35	89,760	69,422	8	8	11,328	15,973
Butter & anhyd milkfat (MT)	1	1	1,131	1,437	0	0	311	390
Cheese (MT)	13	18	43,801	53,280	3	5	8,380	13,524
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	0	0	48,495	66,841	0	0	11,503	12,508
Other dairy prods (NA)	0	0	156,287	207,244	0	0	32,646	42,354
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	380	386	151,481	110,742	74	79	28,801	24,515
Lard (MT)	31	21	14,520	10,127	10	6	4,243	2,822
Tallow - inedible (MT)	243	230	87,568	60,084	45	43	15,859	11,855
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	106	135	49,393	40,531	20	31	8,699	9,838
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	0	0	395,977	572,275	0	0	107,814	143,415
Bovine hides - whole (NO)	6,361	6,972	325,604	424,608	1,630	1,675	87,377	103,232
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	0	0	15,490	6,154	0	0	4,150	1,064
Calf skins, whole (PC)	418	598	8,889	26,927	132	157	3,097	5,272
Horse hides, whole (PC)	76	1,683	2,402	56,165	18	457	669	15,503
Sheep and lamb skins (PC)	0	0	4,390	6,166	0	0	1,098	1,085
Other hides & skins,ex furs(NA)	2,673	1,907	17,987	22,107	698	611	3,799	6,313
Furskins (NA)	0	0	21,214	30,147	0	0	7,623	10,946
Mink pelts (NO)	559	760	14,006	20,778	248	357	5,335	7,027
Other furskins (NA)	0	0	7,208	9,369	0	0	2,288	3,919
Wool & mohair (MT)	2	1	8,033	4,415	0	0	1,917	744
Sausage casings (MT)	8	9	22,087	22,576	2	2	4,883	4,274
Bull semen (NA)	0	0	20,035	17,342	0	0	4,597	3,913
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	0	0	90,581	121,003	0	0	26,345	21,136
Grains & feeds (MT)	35,329	32,742	4,680,664	4,602,397	8,078	7,279	1,094,021	1,102,996
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	9,257	8,775	1,133,678	1,099,508	1,953	1,644	234,791	219,637
Wheat flour (MT)	326	227	44,304	45,934	58	44	9,153	8,166
Bulqur wheat (MT)	0	0	43	23	0	0	0	4
Other wheat prods (MT)	36	34	32,809	28,665	9	9	8,884	7,797
Rice-paddy, milled, parb. (MT)	1,355	1,252	386,343	316,847	348	396	100,961	99,592
Feed grains & prods (MT)	19,725	17,607	1,851,189	1,713,315	4,737	4,097	460,615	423,730
Feed grains (MT)	19,518	17,379	1,782,033	1,639,632	4,695	4,050	446,065	407,541
Barley (MT)	259	545	31,464	66,704	67	133	7,077	16,833
Corn (MT)	16,895	14,596	1,537,282	1,356,485	3,993	3,292	380,521	328,307
Grain sorghums (MT)	2,357	2,224	212,447	214,899	634	622	58,315	61,988
Oats (MT)	4	10	490	1,184	0	3	66	335
Rye (MT)	3	4	351	361	1	1	86	78
Feed grain prods (MT)	207	228	69,156	73,682	42	47	14,550	16,189
Popcorn (MT)	32	39	19,117	21,518	7	9	4,360	4,879
Blended food prods (MT)	81	100	22,232	28,918	11	27	2,991	7,747
Other grain prods (MT)	341	353	388,975	425,698	63	85	85,474	101,440
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	4,175	4,355	801,974	921,970	893	968	186,792	230,004
Corn by-products (MT)	1,871	1,938	197,355	201,506	326	372	41,731	51,595
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	80	63	11,578	9,615	23	15	3,678	2,363
Beet pulp (MT)	244	198	28,239	26,009	40	38	5,243	5,482
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	217	179	15,348	7,967	101	107	6,864	4,260
Other feeds & fodders (MT)	1,765	1,977	549,454	676,873	403	436	129,276	166,304
Fruits & prep, ex juice (MT)	965	1,146	826,704	916,501	252	270	181,738	182,777
Fruits - fr (MT)	815	966	595,872	673,701	223	232	137,048	134,927
Fruits - fr - citrus (MT)	319	355	185,012	191,096	126	119	70,975	63,326
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	153	155	79,694	78,880	53	50	28,294	24,723
Lemons & limes - fresh (MT)	40	43	31,444	26,837	11	12	7,807	7,300
Oranges & tangerines-fresh(MT)	123	158	72,283	84,794	63	57	34,730	31,152

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Other citrus - fresh (MT)	2	0	1,592	585	0	0	144	151
Fruits - fr - noncitrus (MT)	496	611	410,859	482,606	97	113	66,073	71,601
Apples - fresh (MT)	216	304	125,103	165,315	61	80	35,500	42,410
Berries - fresh (MT)	15	13	31,421	27,561	3	2	5,918	4,438
Cherries - fresh (MT)	2	1	1,900	1,904	0	0	296	192
Grapes - fresh (MT)	127	147	159,066	191,352	5	5	7,231	8,202
Melons - fresh (MT)	32	35	16,020	18,312	6	7	3,180	4,064
Peaches - fresh (MT)	6	11	5,588	9,364	0	1	520	873
Pears - fresh (MT)	77	78	45,467	42,700	16	14	9,449	7,554
Plums - fresh (MT)	4	6	4,203	5,951	1	0	400	354
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	18	17	22,090	20,146	3	3	3,578	3,515
Fruits - dried (MT)	65	83	126,327	134,254	12	15	24,775	24,523
Raisins - dried (MT)	29	40	55,788	56,451	4	6	8,869	9,230
Prunes - dried (MT)	24	31	48,582	55,868	6	7	12,839	12,042
Other dried fruits (MT)	12	13	21,956	21,935	2	2	3,067	3,252
Fruits - canned ex juice (MT)	46	56	46,257	54,237	10	14	9,502	12,978
Fruits - froz ex juice (MT)	12	11	17,515	16,950	2	3	3,255	3,942
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	27	29	40,733	37,359	5	6	7,157	6,407
Fruit juices incl froz (HL)	3,504	3,296	211,842	215,160	788	817	47,665	55,305
Apple juice (HL)	124	84	14,855	9,902	26	18	3,191	2,035
Grape juice (HL)	244	227	20,305	19,484	48	53	4,640	5,026
Grapefruit juice (HL)	241	405	13,737	21,629	44	93	2,536	4,408
Orange juice (HL)	1,596	1,484	86,699	89,035	417	401	21,428	25,894
Other fruit juices (HL)	1,299	1,096	76,245	75,111	253	252	15,870	17,944
Wine (HL)	882	970	170,815	168,172	213	187	44,052	34,295
Nuts & prep (MT)	243	263	484,635	590,220	44	38	92,535	84,368
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	91	107	226,475	296,436	20	15	50,932	41,947
Filberts (MT)	7	8	11,420	13,733	1	1	1,089	1,509
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	75	61	75,786	60,701	15	14	14,215	13,947
Pistachios (MT)	7	14	33,185	51,286	2	2	7,395	7,354
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	43	49	88,811	109,573	3	3	8,144	8,854
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	3	4	18,567	21,444	1	1	5,473	5,072
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	16	20	30,391	37,047	3	3	5,286	5,684
Vegetables & prep (NA)	0	0	1,518,852	1,571,084	0	0	335,971	363,941
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	638	654	358,471	403,990	156	155	92,081	98,123
Asparagus - fresh (MT)	2	2	5,064	5,887	1	1	2,728	3,361
Broccoli - fresh (MT)	49	44	34,066	31,071	15	12	9,726	7,707
Carrots - fresh (MT)	27	33	16,458	21,385	8	9	4,778	6,064
Cabbage - fresh (MT)	12	10	5,560	5,832	4	3	1,746	1,890
Celery - fresh (MT)	42	42	17,592	19,662	11	12	6,213	4,870
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	26	26	17,309	17,091	8	7	4,866	4,355
Corn, sweet - fresh (MT)	3	7	2,220	4,054	1	2	794	1,341
Cucumbers - fresh (MT)	10	11	5,655	5,815	2	3	1,506	1,639
Garlic - fresh (MT)	4	3	4,611	3,604	0	0	703	663
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	118	127	62,451	73,670	28	30	15,666	16,410
Mushrooms - fresh (MT)	2	3	7,308	10,517	0	0	729	682
Onions and shallots-fresh (MT)	139	144	37,170	41,019	26	30	7,777	10,514
Peppers - fresh (MT)	23	24	22,417	26,067	6	5	5,778	7,493
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	56	59	18,935	19,313	12	13	4,077	4,150
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	50	54	39,214	55,695	12	12	9,196	11,661
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	74	66	62,441	63,308	20	16	15,801	15,325
Vegetables - froz (MT)	227	250	176,640	188,412	53	58	40,614	44,157
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	24	27	19,766	22,015	5	6	4,612	5,254
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	161	183	117,980	131,428	39	42	27,852	30,149
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	41	39	38,894	34,969	9	10	8,150	8,754
Vegetables - canned (MT)	152	144	123,748	114,490	29	31	24,348	25,771
Pulses (MT)	207	218	106,320	102,595	30	40	15,641	16,995
Dried beans (MT)	148	143	83,474	73,752	21	20	12,282	10,465
Dried peas (MT)	34	45	12,475	17,341	4	10	1,445	2,800
Dried lentils (MT)	25	30	10,370	11,502	5	10	1,914	3,730
Hops, incl hop ext (MT)	4	5	38,081	52,240	1	2	7,492	17,753
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	0	0	715,592	709,357	0	0	155,797	161,141
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	15,987	16,534	3,508,063	3,750,864	3,782	3,968	842,756	906,189
Oilcake & meal (MT)	2,796	2,432	498,392	506,039	697	765	123,120	169,310
Bran, hulls, legum. veg. (MT)	132	85	9,984	6,286	18	3	1,485	301
Corn oilcake & meal (MT)	19	2	1,919	303	5	0	485	49
Soybean meal (MT)	2,581	2,282	477,479	488,013	657	741	118,804	165,450
Other oilcake & meal (MT)	64	63	9,009	11,436	16	20	2,345	3,511
Oilseeds (MT)	12,340	13,343	2,476,383	2,821,285	2,891	3,012	595,527	636,026
Rapeseed (MT)	69	118	14,875	24,806	16	48	3,536	8,899
Safflower seeds (MT)	11	16	3,807	3,171	0	0	38	25
Soybeans (MT)	11,967	12,880	2,249,552	2,460,621	2,830	2,874	534,769	572,686
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	81	53	37,385	31,796	8	16	5,823	7,685
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	16	13	13,192	10,430	2	1	1,883	795
Other oilseeds (MT)	151	213	36,189	54,706	23	61	6,809	16,608
Protein substances (MT)	45	52	121,383	235,755	11	12	42,668	29,327
Vegetable oils (MT)	851	758	533,288	423,541	194	191	124,109	100,852
Soybean oil (MT)	263	248	115,342	90,650	45	59	19,701	20,288
Cottonseed oil (MT)	26	22	14,255	11,144	5	7	2,797	3,358
Sunflower oil (MT)	148	96	77,831	43,864	37	37	20,503	15,458
Corn oil (MT)	154	130	102,294	65,749	44	27	27,185	13,816
Peanut oil (MT)	2	2	2,034	1,328	1	1	548	565
Rapeseed oil (MT)	41	35	18,076	12,792	9	11	3,684	4,541
Safflower oil (MT)	4	2	4,148	1,658	1	0	1,545	128

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Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	213	224	199,308	196,355	53	50	48,146	42,699
Tobacco - unmfq (MT)	57	61	417,992	411,197	17	18	114,798	115,261
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	7	4	59,583	38,351	1	1	9,992	4,633
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	34	36	243,507	268,983	12	11	91,504	81,991
Other tobacco - unmfq (MT)	16	21	114,902	103,862	3	7	13,302	28,636
Cotton, ex linters (MT)	421	418	503,786	581,265	143	123	167,079	171,060
Cotton linters (MT)	20	16	6,238	6,420	3	4	1,099	1,743
Essential oils (MT)	15	17	175,669	199,139	4	4	36,709	51,797
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	240	237	335,270	290,276	58	65	96,282	79,774
Sugar & tropical prods (NA)	0	0	547,534	624,832	0	0	111,516	128,432
Sugar & related prods (NA)	0	0	207,503	219,004	0	0	45,819	43,352
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	46	25	15,647	10,738	9	7	3,125	2,769
Related sugar prods (NA)	0	0	191,855	208,266	0	0	42,693	40,583
Coffee (MT)	21	19	85,805	82,712	5	4	19,605	17,808
Cocoa (MT)	21	18	46,970	34,221	3	4	6,577	8,596
Chocolate & prep (MT)	44	70	136,551	210,470	8	13	24,093	39,382
Tea & mate (MT)	8	11	33,365	43,237	2	2	6,956	10,135
Spices (MT)	10	11	24,871	23,560	2	3	5,852	5,682
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	8	8	12,003	10,992	2	2	2,454	3,328
Fibers ex cotton (MT)	1	1	466	635	0	0	160	151
Other misc veg prods (MT)	0	0	144,669	190,606	0	0	27,672	42,679
Nursery & greenhouse prods (NA)	0	0	110,986	106,415	0	0	23,902	23,128
Beverages ex juices (NA)	0	0	214,012	235,988	0	0	40,482	60,935
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	0	0	4,236,117	4,324,582	0	0	865,249	972,770
Fertilizers (MT)	4	11	854,419	723,024	1	1	182,663	183,754
Nitrogen (MT)	2	10	851,888	720,572	0	1	182,087	182,873
Phosphate (MT)	1	1	2,530	2,452	0	0	575	881
Fish & shellfish (MT)	0	0	869,762	864,473	0	0	130,143	133,510
Fish - fr or prep (MT)	0	0	472,743	449,816	0	0	64,128	69,839
Shellfish (MT)	0	0	295,216	322,237	0	0	51,306	49,018
Other fish prods (MT)	105	95	101,804	92,419	14	20	14,710	14,654
Ag chemicals (MT)	79	106	460,144	427,987	20	24	125,104	121,676
Fungicides (MT)	8	9	47,374	40,183	2	3	7,711	10,733
Herbicides (MT)	39	20	202,070	149,778	11	7	72,821	58,084
Insecticides (MT)	16	62	117,449	129,427	4	10	24,273	26,395
Other pesticides (MT)	15	15	93,252	108,599	3	4	20,300	26,464
Farm machinery (NA)	0	0	887,118	940,791	0	0	207,761	237,247
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	10	11	285,324	283,683	3	3	59,807	70,369
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	0	0	601,794	657,108	0	0	147,954	166,878
Tobacco - mfg (NA)	0	0	1,164,673	1,368,307	0	0	219,578	296,582

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

Table 2- Leading markets in calendar 1999 and 2000 and November 2000 (metric tons)

Wheat	Oct-Jan	Oct-Jan	Jan 2001	Corn	Oct-Jan	Oct-Jan	Jan 2001
	1999/2000	2000/2001			1999/2000	2000/2001	
Egypt	2,026,155	1,291,665	164,381	Japan	5,062,207	4,690,565	1,305,141
Japan	1,013,832	1,157,858	288,345	China (Taiwan)	1,908,625	1,520,552	305,410
Mexico	696,137	665,156	185,876	Mexico	1,114,236	1,339,513	125,805
Philippines	575,620	602,108	172,318	Egypt	1,285,725	1,113,530	256,001
South Korea	483,991	462,237	106,295	Canada	330,450	814,462	141,206
Nigeria	369,101	418,874	87,783	South Korea	1,292,780	661,756	280,793
Indonesia	73,382	318,553	90,334	Colombia	692,418	538,038	96,655
European Union	614,291	299,591	1,742	Algeria	339,720	451,933	97,083
China (Taiwan)	337,560	259,304	126,992	Saudi Arabia	414,944	451,600	144,644
Venezuela	142,815	247,296	62,633	Israel	220,914	349,176	98,601
World	9,256,756	8,774,675	1,643,654	World	16,895,405	14,596,316	3,291,611
Soybeans	Oct-Jan	Oct-Jan	Jan 2001	Cotton	Oct-Jan	Oct-Jan	Jan 2001
	1999/2000	2000/2001			1999/2000	2000/2001	
European Union	5,032,134	3,923,020	1,004,447	Mexico	97,461	118,178	32,101
China (Mainland)	1,174,423	2,420,908	599,498	Turkey	38,232	54,433	12,610
Japan	1,432,810	1,460,960	429,474	South Korea	25,231	34,863	12,184
Mexico	1,119,666	1,395,099	340,977	Indonesia	43,773	30,219	7,400
China (Taiwan)	723,960	658,152	105,378	Japan	28,919	25,598	8,980
Thailand	466,962	427,519	16,500	Canada	16,190	24,059	6,028
South Korea	504,384	375,657	55,182	China (Taiwan)	35,366	21,251	11,399
Indonesia	419,387	372,278	141,792	European Union	8,838	12,888	3,041
Israel	170,913	233,458	58,823	Hong Kong	19,164	12,860	5,062
Canada	162,584	137,107	45,815	Thailand	18,196	11,222	4,029
World	11,966,552	12,879,985	2,874,294	World	421,043	418,277	122,747

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

Quantity and unit	October-January				January			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
Total agricultural imports (NA)	0	0	12,780,625	13,081,281	0	0	3,174,628	3,407,073
Noncompetitive ag imports (NA)	0	0	2,704,050	2,249,899	0	0	745,079	576,376
Bananas & plantains (MT)	1,495	1,363	363,516	365,568	373	349	93,222	93,606
Coffee, incl prods (MT)	451	384	947,271	604,253	132	105	292,416	153,484
Cocoa & prods (MT)	362	312	531,883	462,446	111	108	141,141	133,426
Tea (MT)	44	48	76,387	80,544	11	15	17,965	23,188
Spices (MT)	58	55	191,687	175,027	13	13	44,313	40,845
Rubber & allied gums-crude(MT)	434	376	268,058	242,571	131	90	85,024	58,436
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	66	45	0	0	10	15
Wool, unmfq - carpet (MT)	3	4	7,044	8,962	1	1	2,146	3,003
Fibers, excl cotton (MT)	29	26	13,592	11,808	6	5	3,112	2,537
Essential oils (NA)	0	0	110,190	106,288	0	0	26,729	24,610
Drugs - crude natural (MT)	24	24	194,356	192,388	9	6	39,001	43,225
Competitive ag imports (NA)	0	0	10,076,574	10,831,382	0	0	2,429,549	2,830,697
Animals & prods (NA)	0	0	2,703,268	3,037,019	0	0	606,780	765,755
Animals-live, ex poultry (NO)	0	0	678,100	852,121	0	0	105,831	176,616
Cattle and calves (NO)	798	941	360,179	478,730	140	216	58,580	115,078
Horses, mules, burros (NO)	20	11	232,055	266,956	12	2	25,481	32,535
Swine (NO)	1,425	1,585	81,473	102,444	339	428	20,218	27,655
Sheep, live (NO)	16	20	1,538	2,048	5	7	532	731
Other live animals (NO)	0	0	2,855	1,942	0	0	1,019	618
Meats & prods, ex poultry (MT)	0	0	1,135,925	1,259,504	0	0	283,638	356,481
Beef & veal (MT)	316	328	735,860	788,157	84	103	186,912	245,007
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	287	303	662,167	720,904	76	97	168,620	228,160
Beef & veal - prep or pres (MT)	29	24	73,694	67,253	7	6	18,292	16,847
Pork (MT)	129	138	287,401	335,128	32	32	69,835	78,673
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	99	110	186,885	236,862	25	26	47,853	57,416
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	30	28	100,516	98,266	7	6	21,982	21,257
Mutton, goat & lamb (MT)	19	21	62,761	76,352	5	5	15,169	18,429
Horsemeat - fr or froz (MT)	0	0	0	28	0	0	0	12
Variety meats - fr or froz (MT)	17	21	31,837	33,621	4	6	7,592	8,969
Other meats - fr or froz (MT)	1	2	7,215	12,160	0	0	1,628	2,175
Other meats & prods (MT)	3	4	10,851	14,057	1	1	2,502	3,217
Poultry and prods (NA)	0	0	76,458	78,034	0	0	17,925	20,199
Poultry - live (NA)	3,713	3,763	7,748	8,203	730	1,096	1,677	2,146
Poultry meat (MT)	5	6	15,886	20,669	1	2	3,875	6,318
Eggs (NA)	0	0	6,198	4,865	0	0	1,561	1,276
Feathers & down - crude (MT)	8	7	46,626	44,297	2	2	10,812	10,460
Dairy products (NA)	0	0	556,272	579,088	0	0	124,759	131,938
Milk & cream, fr or dried (MT)	0	0	14,333	18,873	0	0	5,552	11,202
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	5	5	8,644	8,727	1	2	1,247	2,474
Cheese (MT)	72	67	254,712	243,516	12	13	43,375	43,000
Casein & mixtures (MT)	40	39	150,158	179,964	11	9	42,123	42,399
Other dairy prods (NA)	0	0	128,425	128,008	0	0	32,461	32,863
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	40	32	25,539	19,820	8	10	5,807	6,324
Hides & skins (NA)	0	0	56,509	63,645	0	0	23,025	27,415
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	0	0	1,704	1,726	0	0	335	380
Other hides & skins (NA)	0	0	32,347	32,008	0	0	7,390	8,125
Furskins (NA)	1,563	1,953	22,459	29,911	696	707	15,299	18,911
Wool-unmfq, apparel grade(MT)	5	4	13,970	10,708	2	1	5,667	4,124
Sausage casings (MT)	4	5	21,104	20,184	1	1	5,891	4,867
Bull semen (NA)	0	0	6,419	6,751	0	0	1,725	1,675
Misc animal prods (NA)	0	0	132,970	147,164	0	0	32,513	36,115
Grains & feeds (MT)	0	0	1,061,813	1,127,963	0	0	226,753	261,561
Wheat, ex seed (MT)	470	682	57,120	86,107	89	123	10,164	16,884
Corn, unmilled (MT)	79	33	9,002	4,611	14	7	1,786	1,049
Oats, unmilled (MT)	577	738	51,378	62,094	117	257	10,079	22,986
Barley, unmilled (MT)	264	211	34,632	26,897	49	58	6,897	7,551
Rice (MT)	133	119	71,018	68,909	30	31	16,882	15,942
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	145	162	347,272	366,776	30	34	65,081	68,661
Pasta & noodles (MT)	100	96	98,645	88,350	24	23	23,364	21,222
Other grains & preps (NA)	0	0	240,786	250,504	0	0	58,798	60,135
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake(MT)	409	440	151,959	173,715	91	133	33,702	47,132
Fruits & preps (MT)	1,080	1,213	812,229	941,215	360	411	268,738	309,641
Fruits - fr or froz (MT)	850	961	588,928	710,885	301	351	215,070	254,801
Apples, fresh (MT)	26	20	13,260	10,566	4	4	2,884	2,224
Avocados (MT)	38	55	54,707	70,926	6	7	8,784	8,448
Berries, excl strawberries (MT)	40	40	45,372	47,814	4	5	10,123	11,245
Citrus, fresh (MT)	149	159	107,543	121,742	35	37	22,149	23,378
Grapes, fresh (MT)	89	120	126,309	175,005	66	79	84,607	99,509
Kiwi fruit, fresh (MT)	6	6	5,793	3,115	2	1	2,207	430
Mangoes (MT)	31	34	27,055	24,024	11	9	9,281	7,519
Melons (MT)	286	301	81,116	96,616	113	134	30,269	46,635
Peaches (MT)	21	26	19,918	24,351	14	19	12,428	15,870
Pears (MT)	6	11	10,609	15,012	1	2	1,089	2,750
Pineapples, fresh/frozen (MT)	99	120	35,767	52,240	22	28	8,448	12,442
Plums (MT)	7	11	7,533	10,711	6	9	5,404	7,855
Strawberries, fresh or froz (MT)	10	8	14,206	13,979	5	4	7,057	5,996
Other fruits, fresh or froz (MT)	41	50	39,740	44,784	11	12	10,341	10,501
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	230	252	223,301	230,330	60	59	53,668	54,840
Pineapples - can. or prep.(MT)	108	95	68,455	58,105	27	22	16,135	13,529
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	122	157	154,846	172,225	33	37	37,522	41,311
Fruit juices (HL)	10,846	9,262	253,114	208,931	2,819	2,302	68,839	51,663
Apple juice (HL)	3,983	3,543	85,274	76,481	1,165	874	26,307	18,267
Grape juice (HL)	771	515	33,138	18,859	188	152	8,805	4,862
Grapefruit juice (HL)	94	13	1,962	500	34	1	1,035	75
Lemon juice (HL)	147	335	1,670	6,794	17	108	276	2,319

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Quantity and unit	October-January				January			
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	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
Lime juice (HL)	65	61	1,771	1,314	12	9	476	366
Orange juice (HL)	4,489	3,384	83,799	57,720	1,058	676	19,678	10,911
Pineapple juice (HL)	830	849	19,725	22,593	221	257	4,830	7,285
Other fruit juice (HL)	468	562	25,775	24,671	124	225	7,432	7,577
Nuts & preps (MT)	87	101	298,905	268,565	19	21	63,965	54,025
Brazil nuts (MT)	3	3	7,717	8,109	0	1	1,451	2,082
Cashew nuts (MT)	28	28	171,995	130,033	7	7	41,838	31,581
Chestnuts (MT)	4	4	9,204	8,810	0	0	126	347
Coconut meat (MT)	27	26	26,176	20,293	7	7	6,348	5,273
Filberts (MT)	3	3	12,202	9,118	0	0	1,002	1,074
Macadamia nuts (MT)	2	3	14,426	15,571	0	0	2,889	2,087
Pecans (MT)	11	23	31,128	50,605	2	2	5,532	5,228
Pistachio nuts (MT)	0	0	878	1,308	0	0	347	256
Other nuts (MT)	8	11	25,179	24,718	2	3	4,432	6,098
Vegetables & preps (NA)	0	0	1,597,499	1,747,353	0	0	453,231	525,057
Vegetables - fr or froz (MT)	1,357	1,410	922,939	1,064,905	425	469	292,507	362,120
Tomatoes (MT)	230	274	189,681	265,588	91	113	63,128	107,268
Asparagus, fresh or frozen(MT)	29	31	49,467	50,897	7	7	13,842	12,630
Beans, fresh or frozen (MT)	15	17	20,057	19,329	5	6	6,415	6,793
Cabbage (MT)	15	28	4,077	7,616	3	11	880	3,408
Carrots, fresh or frozen (MT)	34	40	8,950	10,681	9	10	2,455	3,042
Cauliflower & broccoli, fr/fz(MT)	100	106	65,171	70,604	28	27	18,177	18,611
Celery, fresh (MT)	7	6	2,509	2,968	2	3	1,132	1,571
Cucumbers (MT)	149	156	57,565	66,717	50	57	20,027	20,675
Eggplant (MT)	15	16	9,523	10,843	6	7	3,538	4,264
Endive, fresh (MT)	1	1	1,679	1,435	0	0	283	391
Garlic (MT)	4	10	4,289	10,998	3	6	2,409	6,300
Lettuce (MT)	6	5	4,596	5,622	2	2	2,039	2,231
Okra, fresh or frozen (MT)	2	4	1,593	2,667	1	1	522	697
Onions (MT)	93	90	59,595	67,881	23	29	18,090	21,694
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	14	14	14,474	13,047	4	4	3,703	3,610
Peppers (MT)	120	113	133,642	143,228	47	45	52,058	57,767
Potatoes, fresh or frozen (MT)	307	277	142,182	141,511	80	71	35,561	34,993
Radishes, fresh (MT)	6	7	5,591	7,344	2	2	2,413	1,493
Squash (MT)	78	76	47,431	53,819	26	28	17,176	22,324
Other vegs - fr or froz (MT)	132	138	100,865	112,110	36	38	28,660	32,359
Vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	0	0	674,561	682,447	0	0	160,723	162,936
Bamboo shoots, presvd.(MT)	10	13	5,950	7,731	2	3	1,460	2,008
Bean cake, miso (MT)	3	3	5,573	5,779	1	1	1,434	1,336
Cucumbers, preserved (MT)	19	19	10,221	10,395	6	5	2,704	2,408
Garlic, dried (MT)	4	7	2,333	3,725	1	2	673	1,221
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	30	37	66,471	67,278	7	9	13,990	15,536
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	22	22	41,623	41,376	6	5	10,960	8,617
Mushrooms, dried (MT)	1	1	7,709	6,851	0	0	2,449	1,941
Onions, preserved (MT)	1	1	1,365	1,294	0	0	216	254
Hops, incl extract (MT)	2	2	11,148	10,671	1	1	4,737	4,072
Artichokes - prep (MT)	8	11	17,074	18,023	2	2	3,981	3,331
Asparagus - prep (MT)	0	1	595	728	0	0	86	110
Tomatoes, in. paste/sauce(MT)	21	19	24,953	23,674	5	7	5,986	6,510
Waterchestnuts (MT)	8	9	4,912	4,952	3	4	1,519	1,989
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	29	30	14,945	16,973	7	7	3,743	4,202
Mustard (MT)	5	6	5,777	5,297	1	2	1,238	1,321
Peppers & pimentos, prep (MT)	9	9	10,169	9,985	2	2	2,296	2,164
Soy sauce (MT)	13	17	13,136	16,849	3	5	3,141	4,944
Starches, ex. wheat & corn (MT)	78	63	37,617	30,303	21	11	9,128	5,998
Soups & sauces (MT)	82	91	115,056	128,406	18	21	26,116	29,432
Vinegar (HL)	115	125	13,824	15,715	24	28	2,731	2,987
Yeasts (MT)	20	22	22,992	25,053	5	6	4,969	6,359
Oth. vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	0	0	241,119	231,387	0	0	57,168	56,197
Sugar & related prods (NA)	0	0	458,451	536,103	0	0	88,330	133,268
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	319	485	126,640	180,702	46	127	14,453	51,154
Molasses (HL)	2,448	3,133	13,204	23,663	907	1,261	5,441	9,463
Confectionery prods (MT)	103	114	240,542	255,287	22	26	49,795	53,316
Oth. sugar & related prods (MT)	183	152	78,065	76,451	40	39	18,642	19,335
Spices (MT)	15	14	21,632	20,247	3	4	5,101	4,915
Tobacco - unmfng (MT)	62	64	192,814	196,339	15	21	46,618	73,062
Tobacco - filler (MT)	52	54	184,471	171,570	14	19	45,279	63,931
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	10	10	4,259	6,236	1	2	365	1,661
Other tobacco (MT)	0	1	4,085	18,533	0	0	974	7,469
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	0	0	1,459,854	1,586,176	0	0	286,885	348,813
Wine (HL)	1,574	1,707	815,998	819,477	318	375	137,554	151,279
Malt beverages (HL)	6,011	6,981	559,048	651,272	1,385	1,800	129,532	168,662
Other beverages (HL)	0	0	84,808	115,427	0	0	19,799	28,872
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	1,181	1,307	591,296	573,953	300	339	145,545	146,156
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	213	164	75,034	58,597	54	40	21,703	17,636
Flaxseed (MT)	41	7	9,139	2,489	11	2	2,533	642
Mustard seeds (MT)	17	16	5,331	4,205	5	5	1,561	1,184
Rapeseed (MT)	62	26	13,443	5,385	12	11	2,734	2,652
Sesameseed (MT)	15	14	17,944	15,311	5	4	5,238	4,202
Soybeans (MT)	40	35	9,219	8,581	8	7	2,016	1,869
Sunflower seeds (MT)	16	25	4,490	6,589	5	5	1,287	1,393
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	20	41	15,467	16,036	8	7	6,335	5,695
Oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	571	685	467,932	454,335	136	177	110,556	111,746
Castor oil (MT)	15	17	14,248	13,251	3	10	3,157	7,634
Coconut oil (MT)	125	187	88,127	78,302	34	38	22,764	15,462
Cottonseed oil (MT)	0	0	23	12	0	0	4	12
Olive oil (MT)	54	68	127,724	130,439	14	14	32,911	26,868

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	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
Palm oil (MT)	56	59	18,922	18,324	19	14	5,882	4,393
Palm kernel oil (MT)	66	65	45,269	32,153	9	18	5,988	8,173
Peanut oil (MT)	1	22	1,050	14,597	0	10	275	6,317
Rapeseed oil (MT)	185	185	87,533	71,315	42	42	19,343	15,968
Soybean oil (MT)	13	11	6,661	4,892	4	3	1,662	1,204
Sesame oil (MT)	3	3	9,044	9,468	1	1	2,464	2,632
Other vegetable oils (MT)	53	68	69,332	81,583	11	28	16,105	23,082
Oilcake & meal (MT)	397	458	48,329	61,022	110	122	13,285	16,774
Cotton, excl linters (MT)	4	1	7,256	2,721	1	0	2,625	60
Cotton linters (MT)	4	13	729	4,272	1	5	158	2,027
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	151	81	119,507	111,470	55	19	35,924	30,233
Cut flowers (NA)	0	0	205,059	185,339	0	0	63,002	55,211
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	0	0	184,802	197,494	0	0	40,437	45,641
Other vegetable prods (MT)	0	0	108,347	86,223	0	0	26,618	23,608
Selected non-ag imports (NA)	0	0	5,585,972	6,345,717	0	0	1,349,141	1,708,878
Fertilizers (MT)	8,706	10,004	881,663	1,244,923	2,114	2,729	220,049	354,801
Potassium (MT)	3,168	3,355	246,203	266,858	754	957	56,680	77,163
Nitrogen (MT)	3,384	4,349	423,779	665,130	856	1,169	109,051	202,296
Phosphate (MT)	2,151	2,297	209,825	310,965	504	602	53,536	74,540
Fish (MT)	0	0	3,271,118	3,592,135	0	0	744,497	838,360
Fish fresh or prep (MT)	0	0	1,292,634	1,297,764	0	0	372,976	352,233
Shellfish (MT)	212	223	1,955,078	2,263,693	41	51	366,069	479,006
Fish prods, other (MT)	15	17	23,406	30,677	5	5	5,452	7,120
Ag chemicals (MT)	42	40	259,434	297,597	15	19	82,175	163,551
Fungicides (MT)	9	8	39,305	37,227	4	3	12,304	11,395
Herbicides (MT)	12	12	60,051	109,848	4	7	17,873	69,067
Insecticides (MT)	7	6	29,292	55,353	2	2	10,965	34,643
Other pesticides (MT)	14	14	130,787	95,168	5	6	41,033	48,446
Farm machinery (NA)	0	0	1,021,490	1,041,554	0	0	283,252	332,723
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	3,642	3,064	492,096	477,474	1,045	1,001	137,966	164,900
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	0	0	529,395	564,080	0	0	145,286	167,823
Tobacco - mfg (NA)	6	6	152,267	169,509	1	1	19,167	19,443

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	Dec.	Jan.	Year-to-date	% Change
Exports	4,613	4,373	18,737	5
Imports (c.i.f.)	3,490	3,721	14,216	7
Imports (customs value)	3,207	3,407	13,081	2
Trade Balance:				
Exports less c.i.f. imports	1,123	652	4,521	13
Exports less customs-val. imports	1,406	966	5,656	11
Exports by major commodity group (million \$)				
Live animals	93	55	482	26
Meat & poultry	623	616	2,479	-2
Dairy prod & eggs	101	98	459	15
Hides & skins	135	143	572	45
Wheat	323	220	1,100	-3
Rice	74	100	317	-18
Corn	344	328	1,356	-12
Other feed grains	72	79	283	16
Animal feeds	329	399	1,428	10
Soybeans	564	573	2,461	9
Vegetable oils	125	101	424	-21
Fruits & nuts	393	322	1,722	13
Vegetables	401	364	1,571	3
Cotton & linters	169	173	588	15
Tobacco, unmfq.	139	115	411	-2
Seeds & nursery	104	103	397	-11
Imports customs value by major commodity group (million \$)				
Live animals	275	179	860	25
Meat & poultry	296	363	1,280	11
Dairy prod. & eggs	149	133	584	4
Grains & feeds	285	278	1,189	7
Fruits & nuts	476	509	1,784	3
Vegetables	442	525	1,747	9
Vegetable oils	105	112	454	-3
Wine	172	151	819	0
Malt beverages	150	169	651	16
Coffee	147	153	604	-36
Cocoa	102	133	462	-13
Rubber, natural	58	58	243	-10
Cane & beet sugar	28	51	181	43
Tobacco, unmfq.	62	73	196	2
Seeds & flowers	107	131	494	-3

Preliminary data.

Table 5--Share of agriculture in total U.S. trade

	CY1991	CY1995	CY2000
percent			
EXPORTS			
World	9.3	9.8	6.7
Canada	5.4	4.6	4.3
Mexico	9.0	7.6	5.9
EU	7.0	7.0	3.8
Japan	16.2	17.4	14.3
China	11.5	22.4	10.6
IMPORTS			
World	4.7	4.0	3.2
Canada	3.7	3.9	3.8
Mexico	8.1	6.2	3.7
EU	5.5	4.5	3.7
Japan	0.3	0.2	0.3
China	1.7	1.1	0.8

Sources: U.S. Bureau of the Census; USDA