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Year-to-date 2001 U.S. Agricultural Exports Exceed 2000

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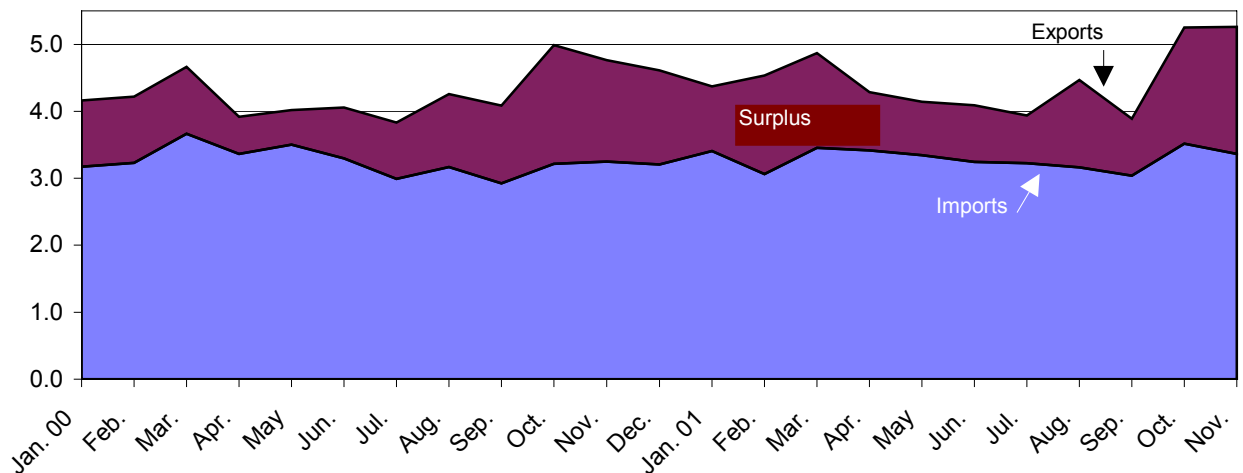
The \$13 billion January-November 2001 surplus in U.S. agricultural exports is \$2 billion ahead of the first 11 months of 2000. All the gain is in exports, which are up \$2 billion compared with the year earlier. High-value product exports account for much of this increase, as gains in poultry meat and oilseed meal exports exceed growth in bulk commodities, such as cotton. Exports in November 2001 hardly changed from October.

Cumulative 2001 imports are unchanged from January-November 2000, as declines in tropical product imports, such as coffee, are offset by gains in imports of vegetables, red meats, malt beverages, and fruits. November agricultural imports declined 4 percent from October.

Figure 1

Monthly U.S. agricultural trade, calendar year 2000 and year-to-date 2001

Billion dollars



Sources: Economic Research Service, USDA and Census Bureau, U.S. Dept. of Commerce.

Table 1--U.S. agricultural trade, year-to-date and current months

Item	October	November	Change	Jan.-Nov.		Change
	2001	2001	Nov.>Oct.	2000	2001	'01>'00
	--Million dollars--		Percent	--Million dollars--		Percent
Agricultural exports	5,253	5,260	0	46,811	49,110	5
Imports (c.i.f.)	3,780	3,634	-4	38,810	39,157	1
Imports (customs value)	3,515	3,365	-4	35,779	36,234	1
Trade Balance						
Exports minus c.i.f. imports	1,473	1,626	10	8,001	9,952	24
Exports minus customs-valued imports	1,738	1,895	9	11,032	12,876	17
Exports by major commodity group						
Live animals	238	115	-52	732	753	3
Red meats & products	474	463	-2	4,873	4,878	0
Poultry meats & products	232	253	9	1,969	2,319	18
Dairy products	114	105	-8	936	1,042	11
Hides & skins	156	149	-5	1,430	1,830	28
Animal fats & other products	67	58	-13	774	658	-15
Wheat	341	349	3	3,040	3,056	1
Rice	46	63	37	760	651	-14
Corn	334	345	3	4,132	4,161	1
Other feed grains	66	68	3	636	661	4
Other grain products	190	190	0	1,604	1,719	7
Animal feeds & oil meal	363	356	-2	3,456	3,886	12
Soybeans	762	801	5	4,690	4,764	2
Other oilseeds	69	244	255	783	1,028	31
Vegetable oils	130	126	-3	1,134	1,112	-2
Fruits, nuts, & products	475	408	-14	3,727	3,755	1
Vegetables & products	384	387	1	4,064	4,095	1
Juice, wine, & beverages	165	142	-14	1,863	1,905	2
Cotton & linters	139	160	15	1,729	1,987	15
Tobacco, unmg.	128	127	-1	1,066	1,138	7
Sugar & tropical products	184	157	-14	1,501	1,718	14
Other	196	193	-2	1,913	1,992	4
Total Exports	5,253	5,260	0	46,811	49,110	5
Imports customs value by major commodity group						
Live animals	242	211	-13	1,591	1,996	26
Red meats & products	391	345	-12	3,483	3,924	13
Poultry meats & products	23	22	-6	248	226	-9
Dairy products	176	177	1	1,523	1,631	7
Other animal products	65	59	-10	698	698	0
Grains, feeds, & oil meal	378	349	-8	2,951	3,154	7
Fruits, juices, & nuts	383	415	8	4,896	4,784	-2
Vegetables & preparations	417	438	5	4,300	4,814	12
Oilseeds	12	15	25	284	266	-6
Vegetable oils	110	100	-10	1,295	1,125	-13
Wine	268	256	-5	2,037	2,084	2
Malt beverages	194	158	-18	2,029	2,165	7
Coffee	120	116	-4	2,554	1,546	-39
Cocoa	149	147	-1	1,303	1,357	4
Rubber, natural	54	39	-28	783	578	-26
Sugar, cane & beet	40	47	20	485	484	0
Sugar products	102	86	-16	963	1,012	5
Tobacco, unmg.	54	43	-21	567	622	10
Other tropical products	141	136	-4	1,551	1,482	-4
Other competitive products	196	205	5	2,240	2,288	2
Total Imports	3,515	3,365	-4	35,779	36,234	1

Preliminary data. Sources: Economic Research Service, USDA and Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 2--Top 10 U.S. export markets in calendar years 2000 and 2001

Wheat	Jan.-Nov. 2000	Jan.-Nov. 2001	Nov. 2001	Corn	Jan.-Nov. 2000	Jan.-Nov. 2001	Nov. 2001
	Metric tons				Metric tons		
Egypt	4,101,362	3,053,740	704,085	Japan	13,676,769	12,967,802	1,162,595
Japan	2,863,408	2,652,384	276,864	Mexico	4,759,877	5,431,479	247,731
Mexico	1,559,807	1,915,624	222,534	China (Taiwan)	4,222,909	4,394,602	358,894
Philippines	1,934,224	1,651,980	99,807	Egypt	3,730,186	3,961,990	292,896
European Union	1,191,530	1,520,083	133,623	South Korea	2,058,811	2,888,545	160,050
Nigeria	1,154,945	1,508,439	78,676	Canada	1,277,408	2,740,289	312,236
South Korea	1,437,794	1,251,510	136,343	Colombia	1,590,176	1,441,881	106,015
China (Taiwan)	960,793	973,693	75,061	Algeria	1,061,192	1,105,625	137,836
Jordan	468,333	603,243	90,000	Venezuela	1,112,782	982,430	38,019
Peru	266,617	584,770	44,283	Dominican Rep.	939,867	910,037	63,317
World	25,071,803	23,399,591	2,707,935	World	44,189,193	44,095,834	3,694,263

Soybeans	Jan.-Nov. 2000	Jan.-Nov. 2001	Nov. 2001	Cotton	Jan.-Nov. 2000	Jan.-Nov. 2001	Nov. 2001
	Metric tons				Metric tons		
Mexico	339,700	351,736	23,474	European Union	4,986,772	5,102,038	1,370,742
India	21,565	178,285	27,616	China (Mainland)	4,760,279	4,937,471	763,517
Turkey	174,411	161,496	14,981	Mexico	3,187,385	3,581,931	301,402
Indonesia	112,499	146,112	11,860	Japan	3,211,714	3,251,411	405,465
South Korea	63,979	117,134	16,111	China (Taiwan)	1,713,401	1,788,187	248,548
China (Taiwan)	82,493	104,066	11,053	Indonesia	839,086	1,143,866	104,576
Thailand	51,725	74,045	10,404	South Korea	1,212,217	1,112,068	124,949
Hong Kong	65,908	73,558	4,999	Thailand	722,557	567,015	235,073
Japan	86,316	71,424	6,873	Israel	436,171	462,671	39,020
Canada	59,969	62,927	5,462	Canada	293,144	459,221	145,355
World	1,370,420	1,668,440	161,823	World	24,086,054	25,191,456	4,432,115

Sources: Economic Research Service, USDA and Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Trade Information

Monthly and year-to-date U.S. agricultural trade (FATUS and HTS) data are on the Foreign Agriculture Service's web site: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/ustrade/>. Choose imports or exports. Click on FATUS. Select commodity and country. On right, choose ending year. Click dropdown boxes for other options—format, quantity, or value, etc. Submit.

Frequently asked questions & answers and summary FATUS data tables are at: <http://www.ers.usda.gov/data/fatus>.

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