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## 2001 U.S. Agricultural Exports \$2.2 Billion Over 2000

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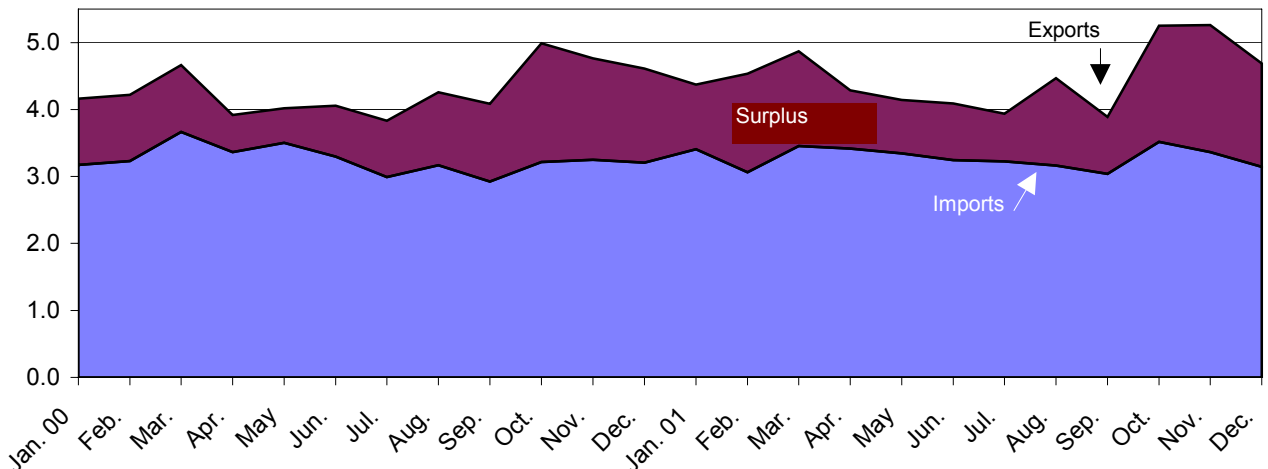
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The surplus in calendar year 2001 U.S. agricultural trade rose \$1.8 billion from 2000 to \$14.4 billion. Exports led the increase, reaching \$53.8 billion, up \$2.2 billion. At \$39.4 billion, imports rose just \$400 million. High-value product (HVP) exports equaled \$35.6 billion, with the largest gains in animal feeds and oil meals, hides and skins, and poultry meats and products. Cotton and oilseeds showed the strongest bulk commodity growth. Bulk exports reached a value of \$18.2 billion, but bulk volume fell marginally to 114.1 million tons. China was the second largest market for U.S. exports of both hides and skins and oilseeds. Russia took the most poultry.

Vegetables and preparations and red meat and products led 2001 import gains. But, were nearly offset by a \$1-billion loss in coffee imports due to very low coffee prices. Mexico and Canada continued to be important U.S. import sources.

Figure 1  
**Monthly U.S. agricultural trade, calendar years 2000 and 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	November	December	Change	Jan.-Dec.		Change
	2001	2001	Dec.>Nov.	2000	2001	'01>'00
	--Million dollars--		Percent	--Million dollars--		Percent
Agricultural exports	5,260	4,685	-11	51,296	53,795	5
Imports (c.i.f.)	3,634	3,634	0	42,300	42,566	1
Imports (customs value)	3,365	3,143	-7	38,982	39,377	1
<b>Trade Balance</b>						
Exports minus c.i.f. imports	1,626	1,051	-35	8,996	11,228	25
Exports minus customs-valued imports	1,895	1,542	-19	12,314	14,417	17
<b>Exports by major commodity group</b>						
Live animals	115	100	-13	825	854	4
Red meats & products	463	416	-10	5,276	5,294	0
Poultry meats & products	253	215	-15	2,134	2,534	19
Dairy products	105	88	-16	1,018	1,130	11
Hides & skins	149	150	1	1,562	1,980	27
Animal fats & other products	58	59	2	835	718	-14
Wheat	349	299	-15	3,354	3,355	0
Rice	63	65	3	855	716	-16
Corn	345	336	-3	4,469	4,497	1
Other feed grains	68	71	4	700	731	5
Other grain products	190	161	-15	1,753	1,880	7
Animal feeds & oil meal	356	332	-7	3,782	4,219	12
Soybeans	801	656	-18	5,258	5,420	3
Other oilseeds	244	87	-64	844	1,115	32
Vegetable oils	126	143	13	1,259	1,255	0
Fruits, nuts, & products	408	311	-24	4,061	4,066	0
Vegetables & products	387	390	1	4,457	4,485	1
Juice, wine, & beverages	142	145	3	2,004	2,051	2
Cotton & linters	160	190	19	1,893	2,176	15
Tobacco, unmg.	127	130	3	1,204	1,268	5
Sugar & tropical products	157	142	-10	1,649	1,860	13
Other	193	197	2	2,105	2,190	4
Total Exports	5,260	4,685	-11	51,296	53,795	5
<b>Imports customs value by major commodity group</b>						
Live animals	211	174	-18	1,865	2,170	16
Red meats & products	345	252	-27	3,774	4,175	11
Poultry meats & products	22	22	-2	263	248	-6
Dairy products	177	158	-11	1,671	1,789	7
Other animal products	59	60	3	764	758	-1
Grains, feeds, & oil meal	349	310	-11	3,237	3,464	7
Fruits, juices, & nuts	415	473	14	5,373	5,257	-2
Vegetables & preparations	438	438	0	4,740	5,252	11
Oilseeds	15	12	-23	297	278	-6
Vegetable oils	100	94	-6	1,399	1,219	-13
Wine	256	167	-35	2,207	2,250	2
Malt beverages	158	183	16	2,179	2,348	8
Coffee	116	130	13	2,700	1,677	-38
Cocoa	147	178	21	1,404	1,535	9
Rubber, natural	39	35	-11	842	613	-27
Sugar, cane & beet	47	32	-32	512	516	1
Sugar products	86	75	-13	1,043	1,086	4
Tobacco, unmg.	43	58	36	628	680	8
Other tropical products	136	138	1	1,685	1,619	-4
Other competitive products	205	155	-25	2,397	2,443	2
Total Imports	3,365	3,143	-7	38,982	39,377	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.-Dec.	Jan.-Dec.	Dec.	Corn	Jan.-Dec.	Jan.-Dec.	Dec.
	2000	2001	2001		2000	2001	2001
Metric tons				Metric tons			
Egypt	4,531,460	3,291,304	237,564	Japan	14,873,870	13,965,186	997,384
Japan	3,177,246	3,026,873	374,489	Mexico	5,146,666	5,592,498	161,019
Mexico	1,707,550	2,133,355	217,731	China (Taiwan)	4,717,391	4,867,715	473,113
Philippines	2,066,331	1,737,922	85,942	Egypt	3,779,808	4,198,423	236,433
European Union	1,301,663	1,722,264	202,181	South Korea	2,294,259	3,045,577	157,032
Nigeria	1,244,048	1,659,007	150,568	Canada	1,485,829	3,029,237	288,948
South Korea	1,567,292	1,327,472	75,962	Colombia	1,684,717	1,597,458	155,577
China (Taiwan)	960,793	1,062,026	88,333	Algeria	1,188,056	1,238,715	133,090
Jordan	468,333	663,242	59,999	Dominican Rep.	984,645	1,025,670	115,633
Peru	266,617	612,203	27,433	Venezuela	1,164,357	982,430	0
World	27,568,005	25,608,994	2,209,403	World	47,731,001	47,672,766	3,576,932

Soybeans	Jan.-Dec.	Jan.-Dec.	Dec.	Cotton	Jan.-Dec.	Jan.-Dec.	Dec.
	2000	2001	2001		2000	2001	2001
Metric tons				Metric tons			
Mexico	369,238	371,324	19,589	European Union	6,167,160	6,483,105	1,381,067
India	22,319	208,268	29,983	China (Mainland)	5,230,656	5,436,344	498,873
Turkey	194,165	179,159	17,663	Mexico	3,436,483	3,941,765	359,834
Indonesia	121,861	163,286	17,174	Japan	3,581,241	3,566,039	314,628
South Korea	74,195	128,026	10,893	China (Taiwan)	1,931,558	2,002,225	214,038
China (Taiwan)	87,470	121,479	17,413	Indonesia	839,086	1,285,730	141,864
Thailand	55,248	92,291	18,246	South Korea	1,374,841	1,218,630	106,562
Japan	93,490	79,874	8,450	Thailand	722,557	630,195	63,180
Hong Kong	68,710	79,291	5,733	Canada	325,063	602,038	142,817
Canada	65,131	65,264	2,337	Israel	496,521	512,942	50,271
World	1,484,562	1,869,714	201,274	World	26,985,945	28,818,193	3,626,737

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

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