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MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:

- The U.S. 1999/2000 season-average farm price was lowered 18 cents to \$5.93 per hundredweight (cwt) based on revised monthly prices reported by the National Agricultural Statistics Service.
- There were no revisions this month to the 2000/01 U.S. rice supply projections.
- The U.S. 2000/01 rice export forecast was raised 1 million cwt to 81 million (rough basis), based on the shipments to date. Rough rice accounts for all of the increase.
- The U.S. 2000/01 season-average farm price is projected at \$5.50 to \$5.90 per cwt, down 10 cents on the high end from a month earlier.
- U.S. 2000/01 ending stocks were lowered 1 million cwt to 24.6 million (rough basis), a result of higher exports. Long grain accounted for all of the reduction in ending stocks.
- Global rice production for 2000/01 is projected at 397.8 million tons (milled basis), up fractionally from last month's forecast. Australia's and Cambodia's were crops raised.
- Import projections for calendar year 2001 were raised for Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and China, but lowered for Indonesia and the Philippines. Total trade was virtually unchanged.
- Global ending stocks for 2000/01 are projected at 60.7 million tons, up 1 million from last month's forecast but 5.2 million below a year earlier's record.

U.S. 2000/01 TOTAL SUPPLY REMAINS PROJECTED AT 228.6 MILLION CWT

There were no revisions this month to the U.S. 2000/01 supply projections. The 2000 U.S. rice crop remains projected at 191.1 million cwt, down more than 7 percent from a year earlier's record. A 13-percent decline in plantings to 3.07 million acres is behind the reduction. In contrast to smaller area, the average yield is estimated at a record 6,278 pounds per acre, up 412 pounds from a year earlier and 158 pounds higher than the prior record achieved in 1996.

Total production in 2000 declined in every State except California. The State harvested a record 43.6-million cwt crop, a result of larger area and a higher yield. The Arkansas crop is estimated at 86 million cwt, nearly 10 percent below a year earlier's record, a result of weaker plantings. Louisiana harvested a 24.4-million cwt crop, down 6.4 million from the 1999 record as smaller plantings more than offset a slightly higher yield. A 33-percent reduction in plantings was behind a 5.4-million cwt drop in Mississippi's production to 12.9 million. Missouri's crop, at 9.9 million cwt, was down fractionally from a year earlier's record as a higher yield almost offset weaker plantings. Even with a record yield, Texas' production declined 6 percent to 14.3 million cwt. Rice plantings in Texas were the lowest in more than 60 years.

Beginning stocks for 2000/01 remain projected at 27.5 million cwt, up more than 24 percent from a year earlier. Imports remain projected at 10 million cwt, down fractionally from 1999/2000. The majority of rice imports are aromatic varieties from Thailand, India, and Pakistan. Total supply remains projected at 228.6 million cwt, down nearly 9.6 million from the 1999/2000 record. The decline stems from a nearly 15-million-cwt decline in production, which was partially offset by a 5.4-million-cwt increase in beginning stocks.

U.S. 2000/01 EXPORT PROJECTION RAISED 1 MILLION CWT TO 81 MILLION

Total use (including residual, or unaccounted losses in processing, transporting, and marketing) in 2000/01 is projected at 204 million cwt, up 1 million from a month earlier but more than 3 percent below a year earlier's record. Exports account for all of the month-to-month increase, total domestic use remains projected at a record 123 million cwt, up about 1 percent from a year earlier. Total U.S. rice exports are projected at 81 million cwt, up 1 million from last month's forecast but almost 9 percent below a year earlier. Rough rice accounts for all of the increase in exports this month.

Rough exports are projected at 26 million cwt, up 1 million from last month's forecast and virtually tied with the 1997/98 record. Long grain accounts for all of the month-to-month increase in rough rice exports. The increase was based on the pace of rough rice shipments—mostly to Mexico and Central America—through January. Milled exports remain projected at 55 million cwt (rough equivalent), down nearly 14 percent from a year earlier. Large global supplies and intense competition for export markets are behind expectations of weaker U.S. milled rice exports in 2000/01.

Through February 1, *U.S. Export Sales* reported combined exports and outstanding sales of all rice at 1.92 million tons (product-weight basis), down nearly 11 percent from last year. Total exports were reported at 1.34 million cwt, down almost 16 percent from a year earlier. Milled rice accounts for nearly all of the year-to-year decline in shipments to date. In contrast, outstanding sales were reported at 573,200 cwt, up more than 3 percent from a year earlier.

Ending stocks are projected at 24.6 million cwt, down 1 million from last month's forecast and nearly 11 percent below a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio was lowered more than half a percentage point to 12.1 percent, down from 13 percent a year earlier.

LONG GRAIN ENDING STOCKS LOWERED 7 PERCENT TO 12.9 MILLION CWT

U.S. long grain production remains projected at 131.5 million cwt, down more than 13 percent from a year earlier's record. Beginning long grain stocks are estimated at 15.6 million cwt, up 11 percent from 1999/2000. Long grain imports remain projected at 8.8 million cwt, 16 percent above a year earlier. Total long grain supply is projected at 155.9 million cwt, more than 10 percent below the 1999/2000 record.

U.S. 2000/01 long grain exports are projected at 63 million cwt, up 1 million from last month's projection but 11 percent below a year earlier. Domestic use (including residual) remains projected at 80 million cwt, more than 7 million cwt below last year. Long grain ending stocks

were lowered 1 million cwt to 12.9 million, more than 17 percent below a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio was lowered almost 1 percentage point to 9 percent, down from 9.9 percent from a year earlier. Both ending stocks and the stocks-to-use ratio are the lowest since 1995/96.

There were no revisions to the 2000/01 medium/short grain supply and use projections this month. Beginning stocks for 2000/01 remain estimated at 10.4 million cwt, well above the 6.8 million from a year earlier. Medium/short grain production—the bulk of which is grown in California—remains estimated at 59.6 million cwt, 10 percent above a year earlier. A record crop in California is the main factor behind this year-to-year increase. Medium/short grain imports are projected at 1.2 million cwt, down 53 percent from 1999/2000.

Total medium/short grain use is projected at 61 million cwt, more than 15 percent above a year earlier. This year-to-year change stems from a nearly 24 percent increase in domestic and residual, which is projected at 43 million cwt. Exports are projected at 18 million cwt, virtually unchanged from a year earlier. Ending stocks are projected at 10.3 million cwt, nearly 2 percent below last year. The stocks-to-use ratio is projected at 16.8 percent, well below last year's 19.7.

U.S. 2000/01 PROJECTED PRICE RANGE LOWERED SLIGHTLY

The 2000/01 season-average farm price (SAFP) is projected at \$5.50 to \$5.90 per cwt, down 10 cents on the high end from a month earlier. The revision was based on reported monthly cash prices through mid-January. The mid-point of the 2000/01 SAFP range is the lowest since 1986/87. The 1999/2000 SAFP was lowered 18 cents to \$5.93 per cwt, a result of revisions in reported monthly cash prices by the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Average monthly cash prices for total U.S. rice have been well below a year earlier since the start of the 2000/01 market year. Last month, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) estimated January's mid-month price at \$5.69 per cwt and raised December's to \$5.60 from a preliminary \$5.56. Since August, reported monthly cash prices have averaged \$5.64 per cwt.

In the Delta, quoted prices for U.S. long grain rice have declined since late January, primarily a response to large post-harvest supplies. For the week ending February 6, cash prices in the Delta for long grain rough rice were quoted around \$5.80 per cwt, down slightly from a week earlier but almost 50 cents below quotes in mid-January. In Texas and Southwest Louisiana, long grain prices have dropped only fractionally since mid-January, a result of tight supplies. Prices for Texas long grain rice were quoted at around \$6.35 to \$6.40 per cwt for the week ending February 6, down a few cents from mid-January. Prices in Southwest Louisiana were reported at \$6.25, down a few cents from mid-January.

Quoted prices for medium grain in the Delta have dropped substantially since the start of the 1999/2000 market year. For the week ending February 6, medium grain rough rice prices in the Delta were quoted at \$4.50 per cwt, down 50 cents from a month earlier and almost \$1.50 below a year earlier. There has been little reporting of California rough rice prices since November when prices were calculated at a little more than \$5.00 per cwt, more than \$2 per cwt below reported prices a year earlier. Because the bulk of California's rough rice is sold under some type of a pooling method, rough rice prices are determined by the price of the milled rice.

INTERNATIONAL PRICES REMAIN WEAK

Thai export prices for high and medium grades of regular milled white rice have traded in a very narrow range since late July. Quotes for high-quality Thai white rice (100-percent, Grade B, f.o.b. Bangkok) were reported at \$193 per ton for the week ending February 5, up \$3 from a month earlier but down \$2 to \$3 from late July. Reported Thai prices since late July have been the lowest since the spring of 1993.

Prices for Thailand's parboiled rice (5-percent broken) were reported at \$187 per ton for the week ending February 5, down \$2 from a week earlier but virtually unchanged from early December. Prices for parboiled rice have traded in a very narrow range since early September.

In contrast to near-steady prices for regular milled rice and parboiled rice, prices for Thailand's premium jasmine rice have declined substantially since late July. Prices were reported at \$368 per ton for the week ending February 5, down \$6 from a month earlier and more than \$100 below reported prices in early November. Prices for Thai jasmine were quoted at \$570 per ton in late July. Large supplies and little growth in international demand are behind the large price drop.

Prices for lower quality Thai rice (A.1 Special 100-percent broken) have risen slightly since early December. Prices were reported at \$137 for the week ending February 5, up from \$134 a month earlier and \$127 in early December.

Quoted prices for Vietnam's 5-percent broken have remained nearly stable since early December. Prices were quoted at \$168 per ton for the week ending February 5, virtually unchanged from a month earlier and just fractionally below reported prices in December. These prices are below levels reported last summer and fall. Recovery from flood damage and a lack of major new sales are behind the weaker prices. Vietnam's rice is currently trading about \$16 per ton below prices for the same quality of Thai rice, up from \$5 or \$6 in August and September.

Prices for U.S. long grain milled rice (No. 2, 4-percent broken, bagged, f.o.b. Houston, for the domestic market) have remained at \$276 per ton since mid-October. Prices had risen since late July, primarily due to large food aid purchases in September and October and a smaller long grain crop this year. Prices were reported at \$248 per ton from mid-May until late July after dropping since early 1999.

The difference between Thai 100-percent Grade B and U.S. long grain number 2, 4-percent broken was \$83 per ton in early February, down \$2 to \$3 from last month but well above levels reported last spring and summer. The difference widened from July through September as U.S. prices increased and the Thai price traded in a very narrow range. The difference has averaged about \$83 per ton.

Prices for high-quality California medium grain milled rice (No. 1, 4-percent broken, bagged, f.o.b. Sacramento, for the domestic market) were reported at \$298 per ton in early February, down from \$325 in mid-January and \$331 in early January. Prices have been dropping since last

summer. Prices were quoted at \$441 per ton in July but declined to \$419 by early August and to \$375 by late September. Quoted prices for California medium grain milled rice are currently the lowest in more than a decade. The price decline is primarily in response to a record California harvest this year.

GLOBAL RICE PRODUCTION PROJECTED TO DROP 2 PERCENT IN 2000/01

Global rice production for 2000/01 is projected at 397.8 million tons (milled basis), virtually unchanged from last month's forecast but more than 2 percent below a year earlier's record. Global consumption is projected at a record 403 million tons, down fractionally from last month but 2.3 million tons above a year earlier.

Global ending stocks are projected at 60.7 million tons, up 1 million from last month's forecast but 5.2 million below a year earlier's record. China accounts for the bulk of the month-to-month increase in global ending stocks. The resulting stocks-to-use ratio is 15.1 percent, up slightly from last month but well below a year earlier's revised 16.5 percent.

Upward revisions in global 2000/01 production were virtually offset by reductions this month. Australia's crop was raised 172,000 tons to a record 1.14 million (milled basis) due to greater plantings and a higher yield. Water allocations were increased this year and the weather has been quite favorable. Cambodia's production was raised 94,000 tons to 2.4 million due to a much higher yield. Area was actually reduced. In contrast, Portugal's 2000/01 production was reduced to 90,000 tons based on government data reporting lower plantings and weaker yield. Finally, Uzbekistan's production was lowered 17,000 tons to 83,000 due to a much lower yield. Area was raised slightly.

Global production for 1999/2000 was raised fractionally to a record 406.3 million tons. Cambodia accounts for all of the increase. Cambodia's crop was raised 145,000 tons to more than 2.5 million, a record. The increase was due to a much higher yield. Area was lowered slightly.

INDONESIA'S 2000 AND 2001 IMPORT FORECASTS LOWERED

Global rice trade for calendar year 2001 is projected at 23.4 million tons (milled basis), virtually unchanged from last month's forecast but up fractionally from a year earlier's revised level. Trade for calendar year 2001 is projected to be almost 15 percent below the 1998 record.

The only export revision made this month was for Australia. Exports from Australia were raised 50,000 tons to a record 675,000 based on a much larger 2000/01 crop. On the import side, Iraq's imports were raised 300,000 tons to a record 1.3 million based on larger 2000 imports. Saudi Arabia's imports were raised 100,000 tons to a record 975,000, also based on larger imports in 2000. China's imports were raised 50,000 tons to 300,000 based on revised imports in 2000. Finally, Uzbekistan's imports were raised 17,000 tons to 142,000 based on a weaker 2000/01 crop.

Nearly offsetting these upward revisions were several reductions. Indonesia's 2001 imports were lowered 300,000 tons to 1.3 million based on weaker imports in 2000. The Philippines' imports were lowered 50,000 tons to 650,000 based on recent delays in purchases and government announcements regarding 2001 import needs. Finally, Portugal's imports were lowered 5,000 tons to 120,000 based on weaker trade in 2000.

Global rice trade for calendar year 2000 is projected at nearly 23.3 million tons, down almost 100,000 from last month's forecast and almost 8 percent below a year earlier. Nearly all 2000 trade revisions were based on end-of-year data. On the export side, China's exports were lowered 250,000 tons to 2.95 million; Brazil's reduced 29,000 tons to 21,000; and Thailand's dropped 21,000 tons to 6.55 million. In contrast, Vietnam's 2000 exports were raised 170,000 tons to 3.37 million and Australia's 42,000 tons to 617,000.

Indonesia accounts for the bulk of this month's reduction in 2000 imports. Indonesia's imports were lowered 100,000 tons to 1.5 million based on the pace of arrivals through September. In addition, Portugal's imports were lowered 31,000 tons to 94,000 and Singapore's were lowered 15,000 tons to 335,000. Almost offsetting these reductions were several upward revisions. Iraq's imports were raised 261,000 tons to 1.26 million (a record to date). Nigeria's 2000 imports were revised up 225,000 tons to a record 1.2 million. China's imports were raised 80,000 tons to 280,000; Saudi Arabia's increased 75,000 tons to 950,000; and Malaysia's revised up 50,000 tons to 650,000. Smaller increases were made for the United States, Cuba, and Australia.

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Table 1- U.S. rice supply and use, 1994/95 to present 1/

Item	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 2/	2000/01 3/

TOTAL RICE	Percent						
ARP	0.0	5.0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Area	Million acres						
Planted	3.353	3.121	2.824	3.125	3.285	3.531	3.065
Harvested	3.316	3.093	2.804	3.103	3.257	3.512	3.044
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	5,964	5,621	6,120	5,897	5,663	5,866	6,278
Million hundredweight							
Beginning stocks	25.8	31.3	25.0	27.2	27.9	22.1	27.5
Production	197.8	173.9	171.6	183.0	184.4	206.0	191.1
Imports	8.1	7.7	10.5	9.3	10.6	10.1	10.0
Total supply	231.6	212.9	207.2	219.5	223.0	238.2	228.6
Food, industrial, & residual	98.3	101.1	97.7	99.2	109.5	117.4	119.0
Seed	3.9	3.5	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.0
Total							
Domestic use	102.2	104.5	101.6	103.3	114.0	121.4	123.0
Exports	98.8	83.2	78.3	87.7	86.8	88.9	81.0
Rough	18.5	10.7	12.7	26.1	25.8	25.2	25.0
Milled 5/	79.6	72.6	65.6	61.6	61.1	63.6	55.0
Total use	201.0	187.8	179.9	191.6	200.9	210.7	204.0
Ending stocks	31.3	25.0	27.2	27.9	22.1	27.5	24.6
Percent							
Stocks-use-ratio	15.6	13.3	15.1	14.6	11.0	13.0	12.1
\$/cwt							
Average farm price 6/	6.78	9.15	9.96	9.70	8.89	5.93	5.50 to 5.90
Percent							
Average milling rate	74.1	71.4	70.1	69.3	69.3	69.6	69.5

N/A = Not applicable under current farm legislation. 1/ August-July market year; rough equivalent. 2/ Estimated. 3/ Projected. 4/ Residual includes unreported use, processing losses and estimating errors. 5/ Rough equivalent.

6/ Market year weighted average.

Table 2-U.S. monthly average farm prices and marketings, rough equivalent, 1998/99 to present

Month	2000/01		1999/2000		1998/99	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	5.60	10,925	6.94	9,215	9.01	9,743
September	5.72	10,228	5.78	10,503	9.42	11,170
October	5.61	13,119	5.97	13,833	9.31	12,286
November	5.63	12,191	6.02	12,811	9.02	11,896
December	5.60	12,427	6.08	14,000	9.10	13,948
January	5.69 1/	11,778 1/	6.02	18,260	9.09	13,337
February			5.88	13,340	9.02	12,573
March			5.71	11,714	8.93	12,968
April			5.75	8,860	8.49	9,169
May			5.63	9,966	8.21	9,145
June			5.80	9,698	8.25	9,822
July			5.65	9,361	8.26	9,329
Average 2/	5.64	11,778	5.93	11,797	8.89	11,282
Total 3/	5.50-5.90 4/		6.11 4/	141,561		135,386

1/ Preliminary midmonth estimate. 2/ Price is market year weighted average; 2000/01 is through current month. The 1999/2000 season-average price is based on update marketing weights that will be released in July. Revised monthly prices for 1999/2000 are included in this table. 3/ Total volume marketed; 2000/01 is August to current month only. 4/ USDA season-average farm price projection.

Table 3--USDA calculated world market rice prices, 1998/99 to 2000/01,
rough basis

Month	2000/01			1999/00			1998/99		
	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short
	\$/cwt								
August	3.99	3.37	3.37	5.38	5.05	4.94	8.77	7.71	7.56
September	3.69	3.16	3.16	5.26	4.90	4.80	8.90	7.76	7.61
October	3.54	3.30	3.30	5.02	4.70	4.60	8.42	7.55	7.40
November	3.48	3.29	3.29	4.66	4.33	4.23	8.03	7.48	7.31
December	3.40	3.19	3.18	4.62	4.32	4.22	7.54	7.20	7.03
January	3.38	3.17	3.16	4.70	4.44	4.34	7.54	7.09	6.92
February	3.34	3.12	3.10	4.53	4.35	4.50	7.33	7.08	7.14
March				4.32	4.13	4.29	6.85	6.86	6.92
April				4.28	4.01	4.17	6.43	6.70	6.76
May				4.09	3.58	3.72	6.49	6.76	6.81
June				4.09	3.40	3.53	6.56	6.75	6.80
July				4.09	3.48	3.61	6.56	6.69	6.75
Average 2	3.54	3.23	3.22	4.59	4.22	4.25	7.45	7.14	7.08

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Simple average of weekly announced world market price.

Table 4- U.S. exports and sales commitments, 1996/97 to present 1/

Country or region	2000/01 as of 02/01/01	1999/00 as of 02/01/00	1999/00 Final	1998/99 Final	1997/98 Final	1996/97 Final
	1,000 metric tons					
European Union	273	321	387	329	349	348
Other Western Europe	12	17	29	29	28	85
Turkey	175	169	286	113	109	246
Eastern Europe	0	0	5	6	0	5
Former Soviet Union	0	57	66	52	16	29
Japan	251	334	302	330	269	234
OTHER ASIA/MIDDLE EAST	278	384	515	275	242	380
Jordan	17	20	44	41	59	88
Indonesia	0	118	117	85	8	0
Saudi Arabia	107	167	155	106	121	160
AFRICA	132	148	216	193	207	262
Cote d'Ivoire	6	20	15	15	34	33
Ghana	29	50	81	58	66	66
Liberia	17	3	12	10	8	9
South Africa	55	68	75	81	67	119
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	795	719	1,391	1,824	1,948	1,110
Brazil	0	4	2	556	29	9
Canada	85	81	184	176	177	170
Colombia	2	0	1	8	291	35
Costa Rica	1	24	84	41	102	55
Dominican Republic	8	32	56	72	114	25
Guatemala	19	14	42	28	28	35
Haiti	74	77	201	225	183	152
Honduras	64	52	99	76	49	35
Jamaica	20	19	31	13	27	27
Leeward & Windward Is.	3	8	6	12	21	16
Mexico	407	306	505	339	431	357
Nicaragua	55	43	89	68	40	51
Panama	0	4	5	6	86	1
Peru	1	19	24	130	127	64
El Salvador	35	24	47	33	47	24
Trinidad	6	0	0	23	21	21
Unknown	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL 2/	1,916	2,149	3,039	2,929	2,780	2,254
Total Census Bureau	2,550 2/	2,800 2/	3,313	3,169	3,185	2,714
Difference 3/		342 4	274	240	405	460

N/A = Not applicable.

1/ Columns labeled "Final" are final exports, including food aid donations, reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. The U.S. Census total is the official total. Columns labeled "as of" are combined exports and outstanding sales reported by U.S. Export Sales. The U.S. Export Sales report does not include food aid donations. Both Census and U.S. Export Sales report on a product-weight basis. 2/ USDA market year forecast, milled basis.

3/ Difference between final exports reported by Census and U.S.

Table 5-U.S. and Thailand milled rice prices, 1993/94 to present

Month or marketing year 1/	U.S. 2/			Thailand 5/				Viet 6/	
	Long grain 3/ Texas	Medium grain 4/ Calif.	Par- boiled Texas	100% grade B	5% par- boiled	15% brokens	35%	Al 7/ Special	5% brokens
\$ per metric ton 8/									
1993/94	439	451	470	294	244	243	209	160	N/A
1994/95	314	375	349	290	276	270	255	232	N/A
1995/96	414	445	456	362	344	335	302	265	N/A
1996/97	450	415	479	338	323	303	259	216	N/A
1997/98	415	396	455	302	292	275	237	197	269
Aug 1998	401	421	441	334	318	305	264	229	315
Sep 1998	391	441	435	332	317	304	269	241	311
Oct 1998	375	468	419	306	298	282	264	252	295
Nov 1998	386	445	419	278	275	260	248	234	278
Dec 1998	386	474	419	282	281	261	245	232	258
Jan 1999	383	474	419	308	303	283	252	234	245
Feb 1999	373	474	419	287	279	263	234	212	239
Mar 1999	367	474	419	263	254	239	213	197	228
Apr 1999	361	474	416	242	240	221	199	184	221
May 1999	344	474	408	252	249	229	202	184	229
Jun 1999	333	506	399	262	251	240	217	200	238
Jul 1999	331	518	397	259	248	241	220	209	230
1998/99	369	470	417	284	276	261	236	217	257
Aug 1999	321	518	390	253	249	237	216	204	230
Sep 1999	309	507	386	235	256	217	198	186	221
Oct 1999	309	458	386	223	257	205	186	170	201
Nov 1999	300	445	386	236	268	216	194	172	217
Dec 1999	298	445	393	240	252	221	192	155	227
Jan 2000	289	441	406	248	248	228	194	158	227
Feb 2000	284	441	408	252	248	225	191	158	208
Mar 2000	276	441	408	235	238	209	180	152	194
Apr 2000	269	441	408	225	229	200	173	148	175
May 2000	253	441	395	211	219	186	164	144	173
Jun 2000	248	441	386	210	218	183	161	140	175
Jul 2000	249	432	382	199	217	178	161	143	183
1999/00	284	454	395	231	242	209	185	160	202
Aug 2000	254	419	361	193	208	175	160	144	183
Sep 2000	257	408	364	185	192	170	157	143	176
Oct 2000	271	375	364	193	200	176	157	137	178
Nov 2000	276	349	364	191	190	173	153	128	177
Dec 2000	276	334	364	190	188	173	153	129	170
Jan 2001	276	317	364	190	189	174	153	135	168
Feb 2001 9/	276	298	364	193	187	178	156	137	168
2000/01 9/	268	357	364	191	193	174	156	136	174

NA = Not available.

1/ Simple average of weekly quotes. 2/ 100 pound bags, domestic market. Lowest quote offered. 3/ Number 2, 4 percent brokens. 4/ Number 1, 4 percent brokens. 5/ Nominal price quotes, fob Bangkok, long grain. U.S. Embassy, Bangkok. 6/ Fob Saigon. Price quotes from industry.

Table 6- U.S. rice supply and use, by type, 1994/95 to present 1/

Item	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 2/	1999/00 3/	2000/01 3/
LONG-GRAIN							
Million acres							
Planted	2.410	2.335	1.983	2.327	2.589	2.731	2.252
Harvested	2.379	2.312	1.967	2.309	2.568	2.718	2.235
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	5,609	5,265	5,777	5,391	5,426	5,587	5,883
Million hundredweight							
Beginning stocks	15.1	14.4	10.1	14.1	14.5	14.1	15.6
Production	133.4	121.7	113.6	124.5	139.3	151.9	131.5
Imports	6.9	6.4	9.1	7.9	8.4	7.6	8.8
Total supply	155.5	142.5	132.9	146.5	162.2	173.5	155.9
Domestic use 4/	59.7	66.9	61.3	59.7	76.7	87.1	80.0
Exports	81.4	65.5	57.4	72.3	71.4	70.8	63.0
Total use	141.1	132.4	118.7	132.0	148.2	157.9	143.0
Ending stocks	14.4	10.1	14.1	14.5	14.1	15.6	12.9
Percent							
Stocks-use-ratio	10.2	7.6	11.9	11.0	9.5	9.9	9.0
MEDIUM & SHORT-GRAIN							
Million acres							
Planted	0.943	0.786	0.841	0.798	0.696	0.800	0.813
Harvested	0.937	0.781	0.837	0.794	0.689	0.794	0.809
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	6,866	6,676	6,926	7,369	6,548	6,822	7,371
Million hundredweight							
Beginning stocks	10.0	15.8	14.3	12.1	12.3	6.8	10.4
Production	64.3	52.1	58.0	58.5	45.1	54.2	59.6
Imports	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	2.2	2.5	1.2
Total supply 5/	75.0	69.7	73.3	71.9	59.6	63.3	71.3
Domestic use 4/	41.8	37.7	40.3	44.2	37.4	34.8	43.0
Exports	17.5	17.7	20.9	15.4	15.4	18.1	18.0
Total use	59.2	55.4	61.2	59.6	52.8	52.9	61.0
Ending stocks	15.8	14.3	12.1	12.3	6.8	10.4	10.3
Percent							
Stocks-use-ratio	26.6	25.8	19.8	20.7	12.9	19.7	16.8
Ending stocks difference 1/							
	1.1	0.6	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.4

1/ Stock totals by type omit broken, which are included in total stocks for all types in Table 1. 2/ Estimated. 3/ Projected. 4/ Includes residual. 5/ Accounts for difference in beginning and ending stocks of broken. Total supply of medium/short grain may not equal sum of beginning stocks, production, and imports.