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OCTOBER 2001 SUMMARY:

Domestic: The U.S. 2001/02 rough rice crop was raised 1.8 million hundredweight (cwt) to a record 208.2 million, a result of a 47 pound increase in average yield to 6,328 pounds per acre. Production was increased for all three classes of rice, with long grain accounting for the bulk of the upward revision. Imports were raised 250,000 cwt to 11 million cwt based on revised 2000/01 imports. Total domestic use was lowered fractionally to 121.0 million cwt based on reduced seed use. Milled rice exports were raised 2 million cwt to 63 million (rough basis). Offsetting this was a 2-million cwt drop in rough rice exports to 23 million. Total ending stocks were raised almost 6 percent to 40.6 million cwt, the highest since 1986/87. Despite larger supplies, the 2001/02 season-average price was raised to \$4.00 to \$4.50 per cwt, an increase of 25 cents on both the high and low end. Higher than expected U.S. cash prices in through mid-September plus strengthening of international prices last month are behind the higher price.

International: Global rice production for 2001/02 was lowered almost 1.2 million tons to 393.3 million (milled basis), with China accounting for the bulk of the reduction. China's crop was lowered 1.4 million tons to 126.7 million, a result of a much lower yield. In contrast, production was revised up this month for North and South Korea, Senegal, the Philippines, and the United States. With global consumption—projected at a record 404.8 million tons—exceeding production, global ending stocks are projected to drop 1 percent to 126 million tons, the second consecutive year of declining global stocks. Global trade for calendar year 2002 remains projected at 22.4 million tons (milled basis), virtually unchanged from a year earlier. Global trade for 2001 was raised 175,000 tons, with larger exports from South Korea and India more than offsetting reductions for Pakistan and Australia. Global prices have risen a few dollars since early August, but continue to move within a very narrow range. Since April, international rice prices have averaged the lowest in at least 15 years.

U.S. 2001 CROP FORECAST RAISED 1 PERCENT TO RECORD 208 MILLION CWT

The 2001/02 U.S. rice crop is projected at a record 208.2 million cwt (rough basis), up 1 percent from last month's forecast—a result of a higher yield. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) October *Crop Production* reported the 2001 yield at a record 6,328 pounds, up 56 pounds from last month's forecast and almost 1 percent higher a year earlier. The 2001 crop is 9 percent larger than last year.

Long grain accounts for the bulk of the month-to-month production increase. The 2001 long grain crop was raised 1.4 million cwt to a record 161.1 million, 25 percent larger than the 2000 crop. Medium grain production was revised up almost 1 percent to 45.2 million cwt, down 24 percent from a year earlier. The 2001 short grain crop was raised 1 percent to 1.8 million cwt, 29 percent below a year earlier.

Average yields are projected higher this year for all States except California and Texas, with record yields projected for Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Missouri. Average yields were revised up this month for Mississippi, Louisiana, and Arkansas. Mississippi reported the largest yield increase this month, up 200 pounds per acre to 6,500. Louisiana's yield was raised 100 pounds to 5,400 per acre and Arkansas' was raised 50 pounds to 6,200. Missouri's yield remains estimated at 5,800 pounds per acre, Texas at 6,500, and California at 7,900.

There were no area revisions this month. Total U.S. rice plantings are estimated at almost 3.32 million acres, up more than 8 percent from 2000/01. Rice acreage expanded this year in every rice growing State except California, where acreage declined, and in Texas, where acreage is unchanged. Rice plantings in Arkansas are estimated at 1.61 million acres, fractionally below the 1999 record. Mississippi's rice acreage is estimated at 248,000 acres, up 30,000 from a year earlier. Louisiana's rice acreage is estimated at 545,000 acres, up 65,000. At 214,000 acres, Texas rice plantings are the lowest in more than 60 years. California rice acreage is estimated at 471,000 acres, down 77,000.

Crop projections were raised this month for Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi. Arkansas' 2001 rice crop was raised 803,000 cwt to a record 99.6 million, up 13.5 million from a year earlier. Louisiana's crop was boosted 545,000 cwt to 29.4 million, an increase of more than 5 million cwt from 2000. Mississippi's production was raised 496,000 cwt to 16.1 million, up 3.3 million. The Texas crop remains projected at 13.9 million cwt, down 432,000 from a year earlier. California's crop remains projected at 37.2 million cwt, a drop of more than 6.3 million.

Total supply for 2001/02 is projected at a record 247.6 million cwt, up almost 1 percent from last month's forecast and 8 percent above a year earlier. Imports were raised 250,000 cwt to 11 million based on revised 2000/01 imports. Beginning stocks remain estimated at 28.4 million cwt, up almost 4 percent from a year earlier.

U.S. RICE EXPORTS PROJECTED TO INCREASE ALMOST 3 PERCENT IN 2001/02

Total U.S. rice use for 2001/02 is projected at 207.0 million cwt, virtually unchanged from last month and more than 3 percent higher than a year earlier. The only revision was a fractional drop in seed use. Total domestic use is estimated at 121.1 million cwt, 3 percent above a year earlier, but just fractionally below the 1999/2000 record. Food, industrial, and residual remains projected at 117 million cwt, up 3 percent from a year earlier.

Total exports for 2001/02 remain projected at 86 million cwt, up more than 3 percent from a year earlier's revised estimate. Milled rice exports for 2001/02 were raised 2 million cwt to 63 million based on information from the weekly *Export Sales* report and the recent narrowing of the price difference over comparable grades of Thai rice. Offsetting higher milled rice exports was a 2-million-cwt drop in rough rice exports to 23 million, up fractionally from a year earlier.

Ending stocks for 2001/02 are projected at 40.6 million cwt, up 6 percent from last month's forecast and almost 43 percent higher than a year earlier. The 2001/02 ending stocks are the largest since 1986/87. The resulting stocks-to-use ratio is 19.6 percent, the largest since 1992/93.

As of October 7, about 88 percent of the U.S. rice crop had been harvested, slightly ahead of a year earlier and the U.S. 5-year average. Harvest was ahead of a year earlier in every State except Louisiana. In Texas, harvest was 100 percent complete, 2-percentage points ahead of the State's 5-year average. Harvest in Louisiana was 98 percent complete, fractionally below a year earlier and the 5-year average. Mississippi's harvest was 88 percent complete, 6-percentage points ahead of a year earlier but matching its 5-year average. In Arkansas, harvest was 94 percent complete, 7-percentage points ahead of both a year earlier and the State's 5-year average. California's harvest was reported 60 percent complete, ahead of a year earlier's 56 percent and 7-percentage points ahead of the State's 5-year average. Early harvest typically bodes well for field yields.

U.S. 2001/02 LONG GRAIN CROP AND SUPPLIES LARGEST ON RECORD

Total U.S. long grain supply in 2001/02 was lowered fractionally to 181.7 million cwt, still a record and almost 19 percent larger than a year earlier. A 1-percent increase in long grain production to 161.1 million cwt was more than offset by a 6-percent cut in imports to 9 million cwt. Imports were lowered this month based on U.S. Census data reporting smaller 2000/01 long grain imports. Beginning stocks remain estimated at 11.6 million cwt.

Total long grain use is estimated at a record 156.1 million cwt, virtually unchanged from last month's forecast but 10 percent larger than a year earlier. Long grain domestic use, projected at 86.1 million cwt, was lowered fractionally based on slightly smaller seed use. Long grain exports remain projected at 70 million cwt, more than 7 percent higher than a year earlier. Ending stocks for long grain rice were raised 4 percent to 26 million cwt, 120 percent larger than a year earlier and the largest since 1986/87. The resulting stocks-to-use ratio is 16.4 percent, the largest since 1992/93.

Total medium/short grain supply for 2001/02 is projected at 64.7 million cwt, up 2 percent from last month but 14 percent below a year earlier. The upward revision was the result of a 1-percent increase in medium/short grain production to 47.1 million cwt and a 67-percent increase in imports to 2 million cwt. Beginning stocks remain estimated at 15.6 million cwt.

Total medium/short grain use remains projected at 50.9 million cwt, 14 percent smaller than a year earlier. Domestic use for medium/short grain rice remains projected at 34.9 million cwt, down almost 16 percent from a year earlier. Medium/short grain exports remain projected at 16 million cwt, down 11 percent from a year earlier. Ending stocks of medium/short grain rice are projected at 13.8 million cwt, up 10 percent from last month but almost 12 percent below a year earlier. The resulting stocks-to-use ratio is projected to be 27.1 percent, up from 24.7 percent last month and slightly higher than a year earlier.

According to USDA's weekly *U.S. Export Sales*, for the week ending October 4, 2001 combined exports and outstanding sales totaled 926,400 tons (product-weight), up almost 26 percent from a year earlier. Combined shipments and sales were ahead of a year earlier to Mexico, Central America, Haiti, Uzbekistan, and Jordan. In contrast, sales and shipments were behind a year

earlier to Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and the European Union. As of October 4, outstanding sales were almost 11 percent ahead of a year earlier; exports were 43 percent ahead.

There were several minor revisions to the 2000/01 supply and use estimates. On the supply side, imports were raised 357,000 cwt to nearly 10.9 million based on U.S. Census data through August 2001. On the demand side, seed use was raised 40,000 cwt to almost 4.1 million based on September's revised 2001 plantings. In addition, total exports were lowered 695,000 cwt to 83.2 million based on U.S. Census data. Rough rice exports were lowered 5 percent to 22.9 million cwt. Milled exports (including brown rice) were raised fractionally to 60.4 million cwt.

2001/02 U.S. SEASON-AVERAGE FARM PRICE RAISED TO \$4.00 TO \$4.50

The 2001/02 season-average farm price (SAFP) was raised this month to \$4.00 to \$4.50 per cwt, an increase of 25 cents on both the high and low ends from last month. The increase was based on higher than expected U.S. cash prices early in the 2001/02 market year and a slight increase in international trading prices in September. Despite the monthly revision, the 2001/02 SAFP remains the lowest since 1986/87. The U.S. SAFP has declined every year since 1997/98.

Last month, USDA estimated September's mid-month price at \$5.06 per cwt and lowered August's price to \$5.10 from a preliminary \$5.30 per cwt. Prices are up fractionally from June when reported cash prices dropped to the 2000/01 market-year low of \$5.01 per cwt. Monthly cash prices are expected to decline after peak harvest concludes in the Delta. Reported monthly cash prices have remained below a year earlier since December 1997.

In the South, reported cash prices for long grain rough rice were steady to slightly down. With harvest virtually complete, prices in Texas and Southwest Louisiana dropped slightly from a month earlier. In Southwest Louisiana, prices for long grain rough rice were quoted at \$4.05 per cwt for the week ending October 9, down 10 to 15 cents from early September. In Texas, prices were quoted at \$4.15 per cwt, down 30 to 40 cents from a month earlier. In the Delta, long grain rough rice were quoted around \$4.00 per cwt for the week ending October 9, virtually unchanged from September but 50 to 60 cents below August. These are the lowest monthly cash prices for long grain in at least 15 years, a result of record U.S. supplies and extremely low global prices.

Prices for California medium grain rice have risen since mid-July, a result of sales to Uzbekistan and South Korea and expectations of a smaller California crop in 2001. Medium grain accounts for the bulk of California's rice crop. Prices for California medium grain rough rice were calculated at around \$4.88 per cwt for the week ending October 9, down slightly from late September and early October but up more than \$1.50 from mid-July. 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 milled rice. In the Delta, where almost all southern medium grain is grown, medium grain prices were quoted around \$4.44 per cwt, up 40 to 50 cents from September. Southern medium grain prices are expected to rise this year due to smaller supplies.

INTERNATIONAL PRICES DROP SLIGHTLY ON LACK OF NEW SALES

Thai export prices for most grades of regular milled white rice have dropped slightly since September, a result of abundant supplies and few major new sales. Quotes for high-quality Thai white rice (100-percent, Grade B, f.o.b. Bangkok) were reported at \$175 per ton for the week ending October 9, down \$3 from a month earlier. In September, prices rose \$5 to \$6 per cwt due to logistical problems in Vietnam and Thai sales to the Middle East. Prices for medium-quality (5 to 15 percent broken) quality regular milled white rice have dropped a few dollars since September as well. In contrast, prices for Thailand's parboiled rice (5-percent broken) have continued to rise since mid-April, a result of steady shipments to Nigeria, the largest importer of parboiled rice. Prices were quoted at \$217 per ton for the week ending October 9, up a few dollars from September and more than \$20 above August.

Prices for lower quality rice (20 percent or more broken) steadily rose from May through mid-September, primarily due to large shipments to Senegal. Prices for Thai A.1 Special 100-percent broken were reported at \$150 per ton for the week ending September 17, up \$10 from a month earlier. Prices dropped slightly in early October and were reported at \$148 for the week ending October 9. Prices for Thailand's premium jasmine rice increased in October after declining sharply since July 2000. Prices were quoted at \$272 per ton for the week ending October 9, up \$10 to \$15 from mid-September but still \$250 per ton below a year earlier.

Prices for Vietnam's regular milled white rice are up fractionally from September, primarily due to logistical problems stemming from severe flooding in the Mekong River Delta and some reluctance by farmers to sell. Prices for Vietnam's 5-percent broken (fob Ho Chi Minh City) were reported at \$174 per ton for the week ending October 9, up \$1 to \$2 from September but \$2 to \$4 below August. Vietnamese prices are currently just a few dollars below prices for comparable grades of Thai rice, a major factor hindering Vietnam's competitiveness. Vietnam typically sells its rice at \$15 to \$25 per ton lower than comparable qualities of Thai rice.

Prices for U.S. long grain milled rice (No. 2, 4-percent broken, bagged, f.o.b. Houston, domestic sales) were quoted at \$243 per ton for the week ending October 9, unchanged from a month earlier but more than \$20 below prices in August. Prices are the lowest since August 1987. Expectations of a record U.S. long grain crop in 2001 and historically low international prices are behind the weaker U.S. prices. The difference between Thai 100-percent Grade B and U.S. long grain number 2, 4-percent broken was \$68 per ton for the week ending October 9, up \$3 from a month earlier but substantially down from more than \$100 in early August. U.S. rice is typically competitive with Thai rice when the difference is no more than \$30 to \$50 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 quoted at \$287 per ton for the week ending October 9, up more than \$60 from early September. Prices had remained at \$243 per ton since early May. The higher prices are due to expectations of a smaller crop this year.

GLOBAL 2001/02 PRODUCTION LOWERED ON SMALLER CHINA CROP

Global rice production for 2001/02 is projected at 393.3 million tons (milled basis), down almost 1.2 million from last month and 2.4 million below a year earlier. Production remains almost 4 percent below the 1999/2000 record. Global consumption is projected at a record 404.8 million, virtually unchanged from last month but up almost 1 percent from a year earlier. China accounts for the bulk of this month's reduction in production. Global ending stocks are projected at 126 million tons, down 1 percent from last month and more than 8 percent below 2000/01. China accounts for most of the month-to-month and year-to-year reduction in global stocks.

China's 2001/02 production was lowered 1.4 million tons to 126.7 million (milled basis) based on a lower yield. Production is nearly 4 percent below a year earlier and the lowest since 1994/95. In addition, the Ukraine's crop was lowered 10,000 tons to 50,000 due to lower area. In contrast, South Korea's crop was raised 100,000 tons to 5.4 million, the result of a higher yield. The U.S. crop was raised 58,000 tons to a record 6.56 million, a result of a higher yield. North Korea's production was increased 50,000 tons to 1.35 million based on a higher yield as well. Despite unfavorable weather early in the 2001/02 season, conditions in August and September were quite favorable to rice production in North Korea. Senegal's production was raised 48,000 tons to 143,000 based on data from the Ministry of Agriculture reporting a much higher yield and increased plantings. Please note several back-year revisions in Senegal's area, yield, and production estimates. Rice production in the Philippines was raised 40,000 tons to more than 8.1 million based on higher area. And finally, Tajikistan's crop was raised 6,000 tons to 17,000, a result of a slight increase in area and a much higher yield. Please note back-year adjustments in Tajikistan's area, yield, and production.

Global 2000/01 production is projected at 395.6 million tons, virtually unchanged from last month but more than 3 percent below a year earlier's record. There were only two revisions this month. First, Senegal's production was raised 43,000 tons to 141,000, a result of larger area and a much higher yield. And second, Tajikistan's crop was lowered 5,000 tons to 16,000 based on a slightly larger area and a much higher yield.

GLOBAL RICE TRADE PROJECTED FLAT IN 2002

Global rice trade for calendar year 2002 is projected at 22.4 million tons (milled basis), unchanged from last month's forecast and virtually the same as a year earlier. The only trade revision for 2002 was a 125,000-ton drop in Senegal's rice imports to 600,000 tons based on a larger crop.

For 2001, global trade was raised 175,000 tons to 22.4 million tons, down about 2 percent from a year earlier and more than 17 percent below the 1998 record of 27.7 million tons. On the export side, South Korea's exports were raised to 300,000 tons from 0 based on announced donations to North Korea. In addition, India's exports were raised 200,000 tons to 1 million based on shipments-to-date and greater competitiveness in certain non-basmati markets, primarily for parboiled rice to West Africa.

Nearly offsetting these increases were two reductions. First, Pakistan's 2001 exports were lowered 225,000 tons to 2 million based on shipments-to-date. And second, Australia's exports were lowered 75,000 tons to 600,000 based on pace-to-date. The only country-specific import revision was an 80,000-ton reduction in Senegal's imports to 550,000 based on larger production. The only 2000 import revision was a 63,000-ton drop in Senegal's imports to 637,000 tons.

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Detailed 2000/01 foreign supply and use forecasts will be published on October 16, 2001, in *Grains: World Markets and Trade*, available on the Foreign Agricultural Service website at www.fas.usda.gov.

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Table 1- U.S. rice supply and use, 1996/97 to present 1/

Item	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 2/	2001/02 3/
TOTAL RICE						
Percent						
ARP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Area						
Million acres						
Planted	2.824	3.125	3.285	3.531	3.060	3.317
Harvested	2.804	3.103	3.257	3.512	3.039	3.290
Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	6,120	5,897	5,663	5,866	6,281	6,328
Million hundredweight						
Beginning stocks	25.0	27.2	27.9	22.1	27.5	28.4
Production	171.6	183.0	184.4	206.0	190.9	208.2
Imports	10.5	9.3	10.6	10.1	10.9	11.0
Total supply	207.2	219.5	223.0	238.2	229.2	247.6
Food, industrial, & residual						
Seed	97.7	99.8	109.6	117.8	113.5	117.0
Total	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.1	4.0
Domestic use						
Exports	101.6	103.9	114.0	121.9	117.6	121.0
Rough	78.3	87.7	86.8	88.9	83.2	86.0
Milled 5/	12.7	26.1	25.8	25.2	22.8	23.0
Total use	65.6	61.6	61.1	63.6	60.4	63.0
Ending stocks	179.9	191.6	200.9	210.7	200.8	207.0
Percent						
Stocks-use-ratio	15.1	14.6	11.0	13.0	14.2	19.6
\$/cwt						
Average farm price 6/	9.96	9.70	8.89	5.93	5.56	4.00-4.50
Percent						
Average milling rate	70.1	69.3	69.3	69.6	69.0	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, 1999/2000 to present

Month	2001/02		2000/01		1999/00	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	5.10	12,616	5.60	10,925	6.94	9,516
September	5.06	1/	5.72	10,228	5.78	44,994
October			5.61	13,119	5.97	11,995
November			5.63	12,191	6.02	10,575
December			5.60	12,427	6.08	10,828
January			5.84	15,068	6.02	14,812
February			5.72	12,296	5.88	9,863
March			5.55	11,549	5.71	8,224
April			5.59	11,074	5.75	5,589
May			5.15	8,994	5.63	5,893
June			5.01	7,877	5.80	4,790
July			5.25	8,474	5.65	6,406
Average 2/			5.56	11,185	5.93	11,957
Total 3/	\$4.00-\$4.50 4/			134,222		143,485

1/ Preliminary midmonth estimate. 2/ Price is market year weighted average; 2000/01 is through current month only. 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, 1999/2000 to present

Month	2001/02			2000/01			1999/2000		
	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short
	\$/cwt								
August	2.97	2.57	2.58	3.99	3.37	3.37	5.38	5.05	4.94
September	3.09	2.69	2.70	3.69	3.16	3.16	5.26	4.90	4.80
October 1/	3.14	2.76	2.77	3.54	3.30	3.30	5.02	4.70	4.60
November				3.48	3.29	3.29	4.66	4.33	4.23
December				3.40	3.19	3.18	4.62	4.32	4.22
January				3.38	3.17	3.16	4.70	4.44	4.34
February				3.34	3.12	3.10	4.53	4.35	4.50
March				3.08	2.76	2.74	4.32	4.13	4.29
April				2.99	2.64	2.62	4.28	4.01	4.17
May				2.94	2.57	2.55	4.09	3.58	3.72
June				2.96	2.59	2.57	4.09	3.40	3.53
July				2.93	2.55	2.53	4.09	3.48	3.61
Average 2/	3.07	2.67	2.68	3.31	2.98	2.96	4.59	4.22	4.25

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

Table 4- U.S. exports and sales commitments, 1997/98 to present 1/

Country or region	2001/02 as of 10/04/01	2000/01 as of 10/04/00	2000/01 Market year	1999/00 Market year	1998/99 Market year	1997/98 Market year
	1,000 metric tons					
European Union	78	120	364	387	340	324
Other Western Europe	9	7	13	18	20	17
Turkey	24	28	171	231	100	115
Eastern Europe	0	0	1	1	0	0
Former Soviet Union	54	0	1	57	43	2
Japan	8	5	296	374	324	250
OTHER ASIA/MIDDLE EAST	128	219	318	395	203	183
Jordan	12	1	14	21	41	42
Indonesia	0	0	23	118	26	0
Saudi Arabia	69	83	140	151	106	96
AFRICA	53	76	182	171	157	171
Cote d'Ivoire	0	6	12	20	0	31
Ghana	23	18	73	70	61	64
Liberia	9	1	9	3	0	0
South Africa	15	32	57	70	81	67
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	560	281	1,305	1,410	1,741	1,718
Brazil	0	1	2	4	555	28
Canada	44	49	100	102	122	107
Colombia	0	1	17	1	11	297
Costa Rica	0	1	82	84	41	102
Dominican Republic	1	1	56	56	61	93
Guatemala	23	1	36	42	29	25
Haiti	75	25	158	144	164	100
Honduras	51	25	106	114	47	63
Jamaica	6	20	32	35	15	26
Leeward & Windward Is.	5	3	4	11	11	16
Mexico	239	114	583	629	417	397
Nicaragua	80	30	85	95	61	35
Panama	7	0	2	15	8	88
Peru	1	1	1	19	118	99
El Salvador	15	3	51	55	30	49
Trinidad	5	5	9	0	23	21
Unknown	12	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	926	736	2,651	3,044	2,929	2,780

N/A = Not available

1/ Columns labeled "Market year" are total August-July exports reported in U.S. Export Sales. Columns labeled "as of" are combined exports and outstanding sales at a particular date. U.S. Export Sales reports on a product-weight basis. Food aid donations are not included in U.S. Export Sales.

Table 5-U.S., Thailand, and Vietnam 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% ----- brokens	A.1 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
1998/99	369	470	418	284	276	261	236	217	257
1999/2000	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	276	290	364	190	184	174	152	134	163
Mar 2001	276	276	364	182	174	165	142	126	151
Apr 2001	276	258	346	170	164	154	135	121	147
May 2001	276	243	342	172	171	154	138	123	153
June 2001	276	243	342	177	180	158	144	130	154
July 2001	276	243	342	177	198	160	148	137	156
2000/01	272	313	357	184	187	167	149	132	165
Aug 2001	267	243	334	174	202	160	149	141	176
Sep 2001	243	231	287	178	214	167	157	148	173
Oct 2001 9/	243	287	287	176	217	167	157	149	174
2001/02 9/	251	254	303	176	211	165	154	146	174

N/A = 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. agricultural counselor, Bangkok. 6/ Fob Saigon. Price quotes from industry sources. 7/ 100 percent brokens. 8/ Bagged. 9/ Preliminary.

Table 6- U.S. rice supply and use, by type, 1996/97 to present 1/

Item	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 2/	2001/02 3/
LONG-GRAIN						
	Million acres					
Planted	1.983	2.327	2.589	2.731	2.206	
Harvested	1.967	2.309	2.568	2.718	2.189	
	Pounds per harvested acre					
Yield	5,777	5,391	5,426	5,587	5,882	
	Million hundredweight					
Beginning stocks	10.1	14.1	14.5	14.1	15.6	11.6
Production	113.6	124.5	139.3	151.9	128.8	161.1
Imports	9.1	7.9	8.4	7.6	8.8	9.0
Total supply	132.9	146.5	162.2	173.5	153.1	181.7
Domestic use 4/	61.3	59.7	76.7	87.1	76.2	86.1
Exports	57.4	72.3	71.4	70.8	65.3	70.0
Total use	118.7	132.0	148.2	157.9	141.5	156.1
Ending stocks	14.1	14.5	14.1	15.6	11.6	25.6
	Percent					
Stocks-use-ratio	11.9	11.0	9.5	9.9	8.2	16.4

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Table 6- U.S. rice supply and use, by type, 1996/97 to present 1/--continued

Item	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 2/	2001/02 3/
MEDIUM & SHORT-GRAIN						
	Million acres					
Planted	0.841	0.798	0.696	0.800	0.854	
Harvested	0.837	0.794	0.689	0.794	0.850	
	Pounds per harvested acre					
Yield	6,926	7,369	6,548	6,822	7,308	
	Million hundredweight					
Beginning stocks	14.3	12.1	12.3	6.8	10.4	15.6
Production	58.0	58.5	45.1	54.2	62.1	47.1
Imports	1.4	1.4	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.0
Total supply 5/	73.3	71.9	59.6	63.3	74.8	64.7
Domestic use 4/	40.3	44.2	37.4	34.8	41.3	34.9
Exports	20.9	15.4	15.4	18.1	17.9	16.0
Total use	61.2	59.6	52.8	52.9	59.2	50.9
Ending stocks	12.1	12.3	6.8	10.4	15.6	13.8
	Percent					
Stocks-use-ratio	19.8	20.7	12.9	19.7	26.3	27.1
Ending stocks difference 1/	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.2

1/ Stock totals by type omit brokens, 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 brokens. Thus, total supply of medium/short grain may not equal sum of beginning stocks, production, and imports.